

A group of mountaineers is seen climbing a steep, snow-covered mountain peak. The climbers are wearing heavy winter gear, including jackets, pants, and backpacks. They are using ice axes and crampons to ascend the icy terrain. The sky is a clear, deep blue, and the snow is bright white, creating a high-contrast scene. The overall atmosphere is one of a challenging and high-altitude expedition.

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ZL-1102 Proof-of-Concept Study Topline Results

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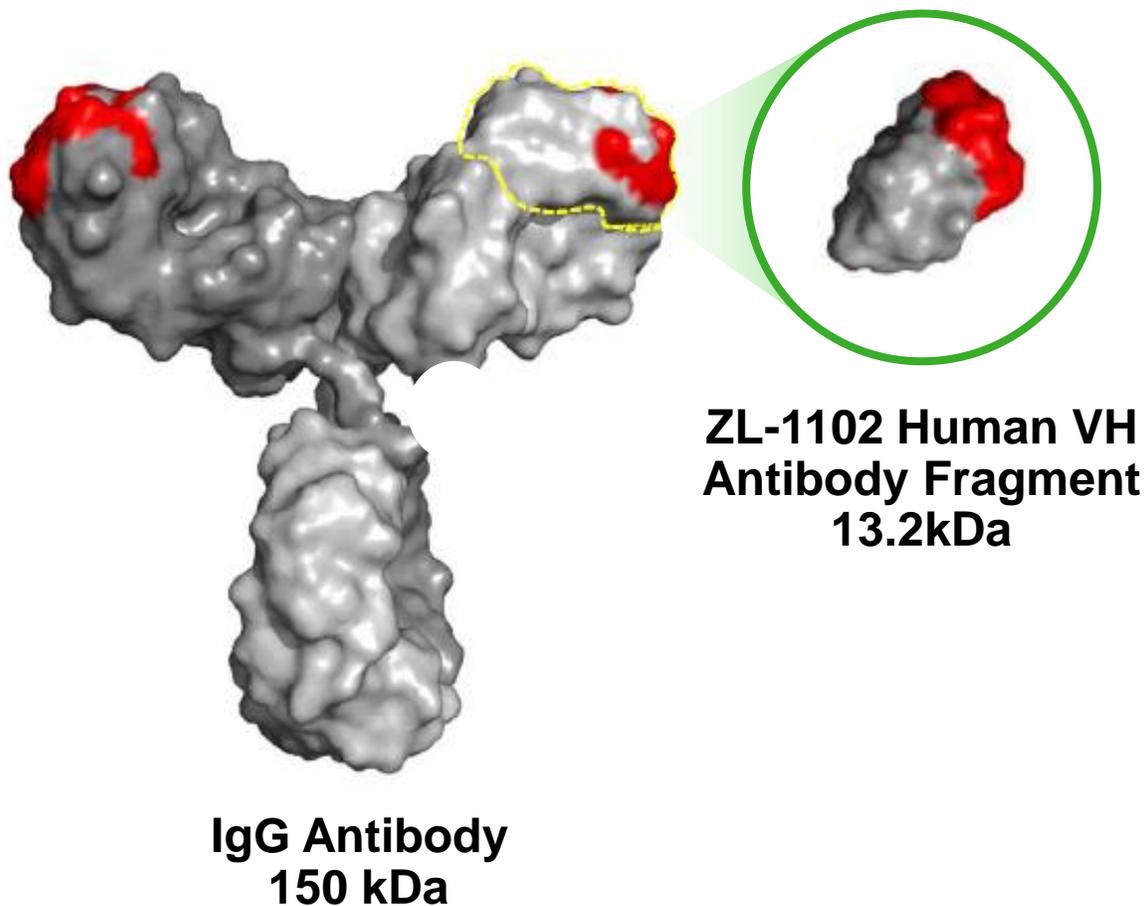
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High-Affinity Human VH Fragment Targeting IL-17A



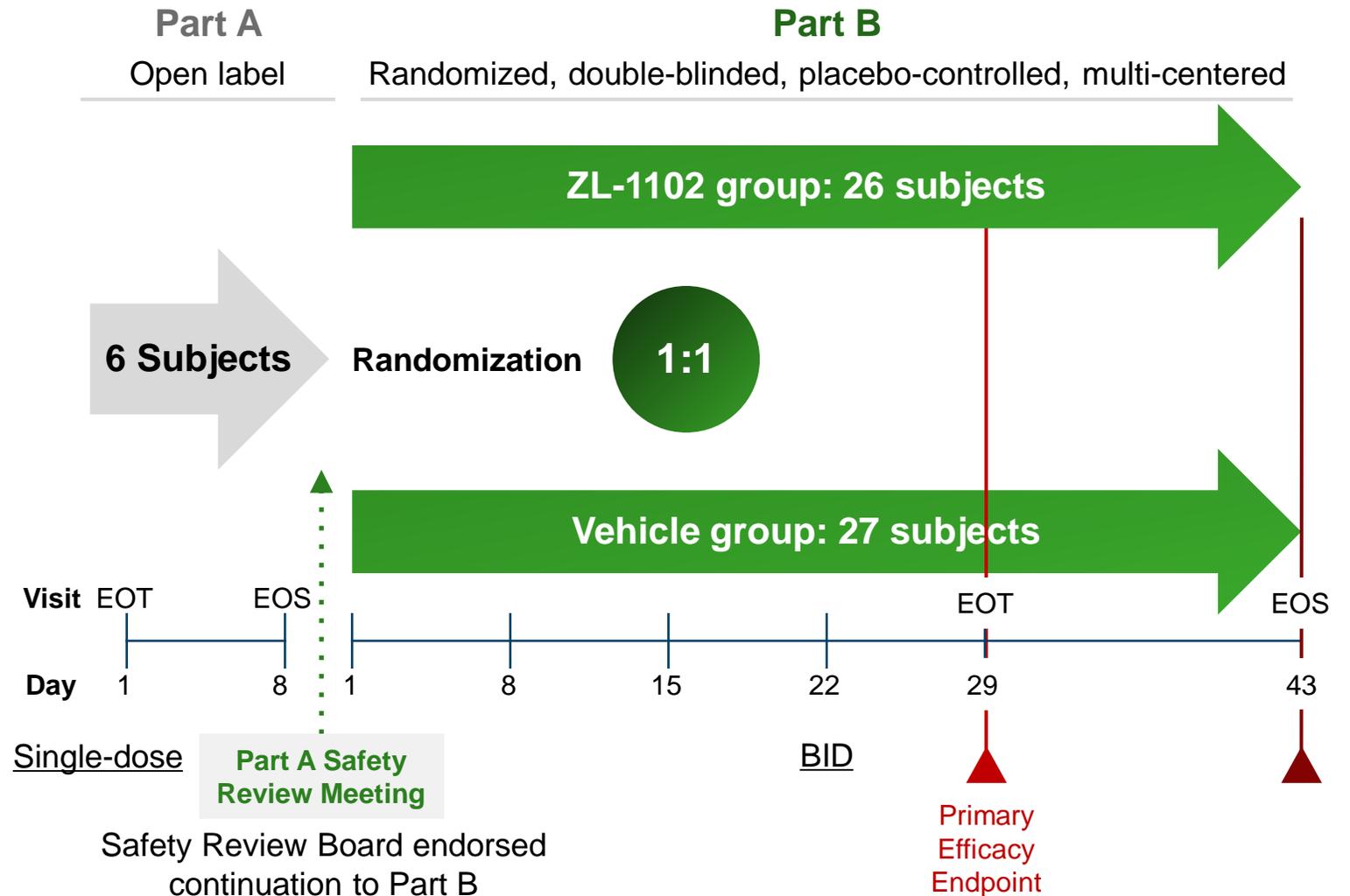
Topline Results from Proof-of-Concept Study

- Small anti-IL-17 Humabody[®], or human VH antibody fragment, for **topical** treatment of **mild-to-moderate** chronic plaque psoriasis (CPP)
- Topical therapy with ZL-1102 resulted in approximately a 45% relative improvement in local PASI score, improvement in erythema and scaling, reduction in target lesion size, and improved responder rates compared to placebo in patients with mild-to-moderate CPP
- Consistent clinical improvement was seen over time
- First-ever study to demonstrate **penetration of protein biological** through psoriatic skin resulting in clinical response
- Safety profile comparable to placebo

ZL-1102 Protocol Overview – Study Design

Entry Criteria

1. Mild / moderate CPP
2. At screening and baseline:
 - a. PASI ≤ 15 ; affected BSA $\leq 10\%$
3. Suitable psoriatic plaque (ALL criteria apply):
 - a. Lesion size: 9-100 cm²
 - b. Lesion stable for ≥ 3 months
 - c. Lesional PASI score ≥ 8



Proof-of-Concept Phase 1b Study – Overview and Results

Goals	Efficacy in CPP by trend, safety/tolerability, PK, evidence of penetration Basis for Go/No Go decision
Clinical Results	Approx. 45% in relative improvement compared to placebo in local PASI ¹ score of the target lesion at 4 weeks (primary efficacy endpoint) Consistent improvement in local PASI components over time: erythema > scaling > induration Consistent improvement in target lesion size (reduction in area) compared to an area increase in the placebo arm Consistently higher responder rates ² over time compared to placebo Benign safety and tolerability profile comparable to placebo, with treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) that were few in number and mild
PK	No systemic absorption by PK
Histology	Reduction in epithelial thickness on histology
Biomarkers	Full results pending

Note: (1) PASI = Psoriasis Area Severity Index; (2) The responder rate in this study was defined as the percentage of patients who achieved a $\geq 50\%$ reduction compared to baseline in local PASI score of the target lesion, measured weekly.

Improvement in Local PASI Score – Case A



D1
Local PASI=8



D29
Local PASI=4

Note: PASI = Psoriasis Area Severity Index.

Improvement in Local PASI Score – Case B



D1
Local PASI=8



D29
Local PASI=4

Note: PASI = Psoriasis Area Severity Index.

Marketed IL-17 Inhibitors Are SC or IV Do Not Target Mild-to-Moderate Psoriasis

- Role of **IL-17** confirmed in clinical studies in **moderate-to-severe CPP¹**
- IL-17 antibodies associated with **systemic immunosuppression**, limited to more severe patient population²
- **No IL-17 mAbs approved for mild-to-moderate CPP**

Approved Agents in Psoriasis			
MOA	Agent	Formulation	Marketed Indications
IL-17A	ixekizumab TALTZ	SC	Ankylosing spondylitis; Erythrodermic psoriasis; Plaque psoriasis; Psoriatic arthritis; Pustular psoriasis
	secukinumab COSENTYX	SC/IV	Ankylosing spondylitis; Plaque psoriasis; Psoriatic arthritis; Pustular psoriasis
IL-17A/F	bimekizumab BIMZELX	SC	Plaque psoriasis
IL-17RA	brodalumab SILIQ	SC	Erythrodermic psoriasis; Plaque psoriasis; Psoriatic arthritis; Pustular psoriasis

Strong rationale and patient need to develop a topical formulation of an IL-17-directed therapy that works directly on the lesion and avoids systemic exposure

Summary

Significant Market Opportunity for ZL-1102

- Psoriasis affects approximately **125 million**¹ people worldwide; plaque psoriasis is the most common type, affecting 80 to 90% of those with psoriasis^{1,2}
- **70–80%**³ of plaque psoriasis cases are mild-to-moderate, and marketed IL-17 inhibitors are **currently not indicated** for such cases
- Topical therapies are the standard of care for treatment of mild-to-moderate disease. However, current treatment options **provide limited efficacy** or **have safety concerns with long-term use**
- This is the **first study** to demonstrate **penetration of a protein biological** through psoriatic skin resulting in a clinical response

Next Steps

- Zai Lab plans to advance compound into full development, including registrational studies
- Zai Lab plans to present the complete data at an upcoming scientific meeting and to submit them for publication

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