

# Treatment of Knee Osteoarthritis with SM04690 Improved WOMAC A1 “Pain on Walking” – Results from a 52 Week, Randomized, Double Blind, Placebo Controlled, Phase 2 Study of a Novel, Intra-Articular, Wnt Pathway Inhibitor

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# WOMAC question A1 commonly used as an endpoint in osteoarthritis (OA) trials

- Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC) knee score
  - extensively used patient reported outcome measure
  - 24 items in 3 subscales: A = pain [5], B = stiffness [2], C = physical function [17]
- Question A1, walking pain on a flat surface
  - major symptom of tibio-femoral OA and differentiates from patello-femoral OA<sup>1,2</sup>
  - multi-dimensional, incorporating pain and function
  - onset usually earlier than rest pain
  - used as a clinical trial endpoint for many intra-articular (IA) compounds in knee OA

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# WOMAC A1: 'pain when walking on a flat surface' question is multi-dimensional

- 'How much pain have you had when walking on a flat surface?'
- 'How much difficulty have you had when walking on a flat surface?'

## Pain

Think about the pain you felt in your \_\_\_\_\_ (study joint) caused by the arthritis during the last 48 hours.

(Please mark your answers by putting an "X" in one of the boxes.)

**QUESTION: How much pain have you had ...**

- when walking on a flat surface?  
No Pain | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Pain
- when going up or down stairs?  
No Pain | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Pain
- at night while in bed? (that is - pain that disturbs your sleep)  
No Pain | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Pain
- while sitting or lying down?  
No Pain | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Pain
- while standing?  
No Pain | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Pain

## Physical Function

**QUESTION: How much difficulty have you had ...**

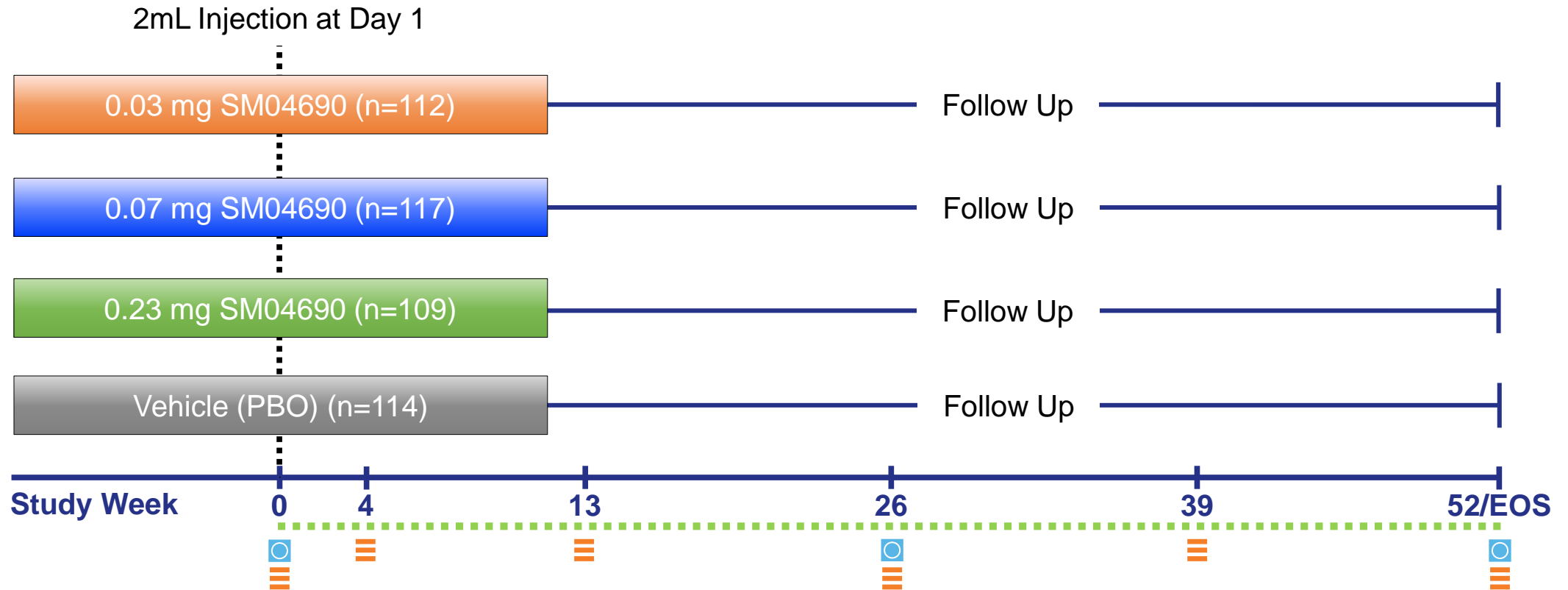
- when going down the stairs?  
No Difficulty | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Difficulty
- when going up the stairs?  
No Difficulty | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Difficulty
- when getting up from a sitting position?  
No Difficulty | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Difficulty
- while standing?  
No Difficulty | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Difficulty
- when bending to the floor?  
No Difficulty | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Difficulty
- when walking on a flat surface?  
No Difficulty | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extreme Difficulty

# Knee OA, the Wnt pathway, and SM04690

- The Wnt pathway is upregulated in OA.<sup>1,2</sup> Inhibition may regenerate and protect articular cartilage
- SM04690: an IA Wnt pathway inhibitor for potential treatment of knee OA
  - preclinical studies demonstrated inhibition of inflammation and cartilage degradation *in vitro* and *in vivo* compared with vehicle<sup>3</sup>
  - phase 2 study demonstrated improvements in WOMAC Pain, Function, and radiographic medial joint space width compared to placebo (PBO) in clinically relevant subgroups for 0.07 mg dose at 52 weeks<sup>4</sup>
- This post-hoc analysis evaluated SM04690 effects measured by WOMAC A1

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2. Thomas RS, et al. (2011) *Arthritis Res Ther.*  
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# SM04690-OA-02: Phase 2 study design



**Primary objective:** Change from baseline in WOMAC pain at Week 13

≡ **Clinical assessments:** WOMAC Function, Pain; Patient and Physician Global Assessment; SF-36

⊙ **Imaging:** Fixed flexion knee X-ray with QuAP™ positioner

⋯ **Safety assessments:** Adverse events (AEs), Vital signs, Physical exam, Lab panels

# Incidence of adverse events

<b>AE(s) Reported* &gt;2% [#AE / N(%)]</b>	<b>0.03 mg</b>	<b>0.07 mg</b>	<b>0.23 mg</b>	<b>Placebo</b>	<b>All subjects</b>
<i>Arthralgia</i>	16 / 13 (11.7)	14 / 13 (11.4)	13 / 9 (8.7)	12 / 10 (9.3)	61 / 49 (10.8)
<i>Joint swelling</i>	5 / 3 (2.7)	4 / 4 (3.5)	2 / 2 (1.9)	6 / 5 (4.6)	17 / 14 (3.1)
<i>Upper respiratory tract infection</i>	5 / 5 (4.5)	2 / 2 (1.8)	1 / 1 (1.0)	3 / 3 (2.8)	12 / 12 (2.7)
<i>Hypertension</i>	0 / 0 (0.0)	4 / 4 (3.5)	4 / 4 (3.8)	3 / 3 (2.8)	11 / 11 (2.4)
<i>Nasopharyngitis</i>	4 / 4 (3.6)	3 / 3 (2.6)	3 / 3 (2.9)	0 / 0 (0.0)	11 / 11 (2.4)
<i>Osteoarthritis</i>	4 / 3 (2.7)	2 / 2 (1.8)	3 / 3 (2.9)	5 / 3 (2.8)	14 / 11 (2.4)
<i>Headache</i>	0 / 0 (0.0)	6 / 3 (2.6)	2 / 2 (1.9)	4 / 4 (3.7)	13 / 10 (2.2)
<i>Joint effusion</i>	5 / 4 (3.6)	2 / 2 (1.8)	1 / 1 (1.0)	2 / 2 (1.9)	10 / 9 (2.0)
<i>Sinusitis</i>	1 / 1 (0.9)	2 / 2 (1.8)	1 / 1 (1.0)	5 / 5 (4.6)	9 / 9 (2.0)
<i>Urinary tract infection</i>	2 / 2 (1.8)	2 / 2 (1.8)	3 / 2 (1.9)	3 / 3 (2.8)	10 / 9 (2.0)
	<b>0.03 mg (n=111)</b>	<b>0.07 mg (n=114)</b>	<b>0.23 mg (n=104)</b>	<b>Placebo (n=108)</b>	
<b>Subjects Reporting AE(s) [N(%)]</b>	61 (55.0)	65 (57.0)	47 (45.2)	53 (49.1)	
<b>Subjects Reporting No AE(s) [N(%)]</b>	50 (45.0)	49 (43.0)	57 (54.8)	55 (50.9)	
<b>Subjects Reporting SAE(s) [#AE / N(%)]</b>	7/5 (4.5)	12/4 (3.5)	5/4 (3.8)	3/3 (2.8)	

No SAEs were deemed related to study drug by PI.

\*All AEs deemed related to drug per protocol.

# SM04690-OA-02: Demographics

	<b>0.03 mg</b>	<b>0.07 mg</b>	<b>0.23 mg</b>	<b>Placebo</b>	<b>All subjects</b>
<b>N</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>455</b>
<b>Age (years) [mean (SD)]</b>	59.0 (9.0)	60.0 (8.2)	61.3 (8.7)	60.7 (8.9)	60.3 (8.7)
<b>BMI (kg/m<sup>2</sup>) [mean (SD)]</b>	29.8 (4.8)	30.8 (4.7)	29.6 (4.5)	29.2 (4.4)	29.9 (4.6)
<b>Female [n(%)]</b>	68 (60.7%)	60 (51.3%)	68 (61.8%)	72 (62.1%)	268 (58.9%)
<b>KL grade 3 [n(%)]</b>	74 (66.1%)	74 (63.2%)	70 (63.6%)	74 (63.8%)	292 (64.2%)
<b>Unilateral Symptomatic [n(%)]</b>	45 (40.2%)	35 (29.9%)	45 (40.9%)	39 (33.6%)	164 (36.0%)
<b>Unilateral Symptomatic WP- [n(%)]</b>	34 (30.4%)	29 (24.8%)	33 (30.0%)	32 (27.6%)	128 (28.1%)



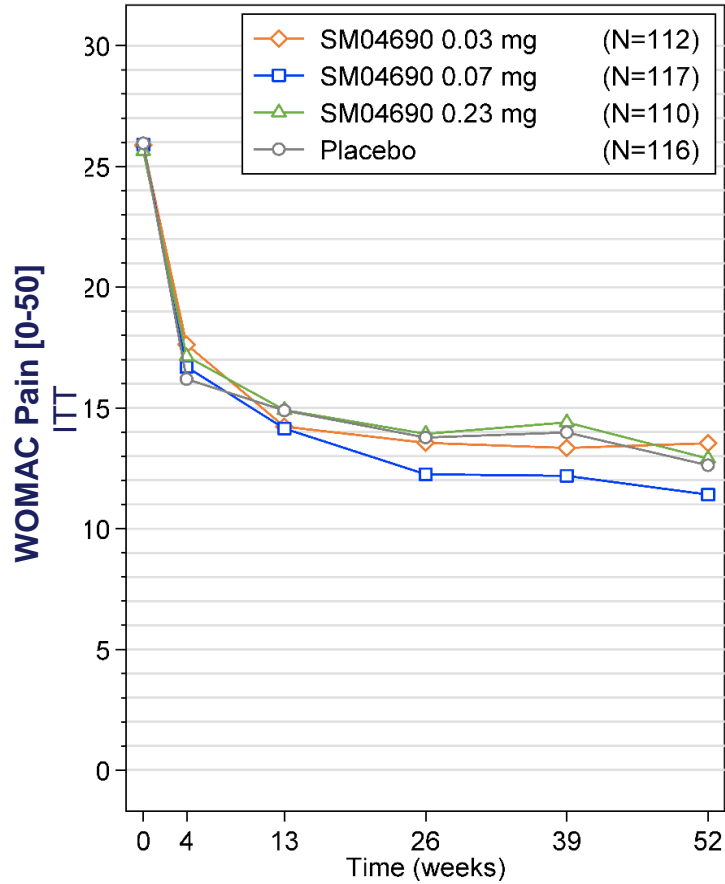
# SM04690-OA-02: Analysis groups

- **Intention to treat population (ITT, n=455):** All randomized subjects
  - contra-lateral knee pain threshold not limited at enrollment
- **Unilateral Symptomatic (UNI, n=164):**
  - prespecified, investigator-designated target knee with most pain
- **Unilateral Symptomatic without Widespread Pain (UNI WP-, n=128):**
  - excludes subjects with comorbid pain
  - post-hoc, Unilateral Symptomatic **excluding** subjects with Widespread Pain Index > 4 and Symptom Severity > 2
- KL grade: Non-target knee  $\geq$  target knee in 91% of subjects
  - KL distribution between unilateral and bilateral symptomatic subjects similar
- Multiple imputation for missing data

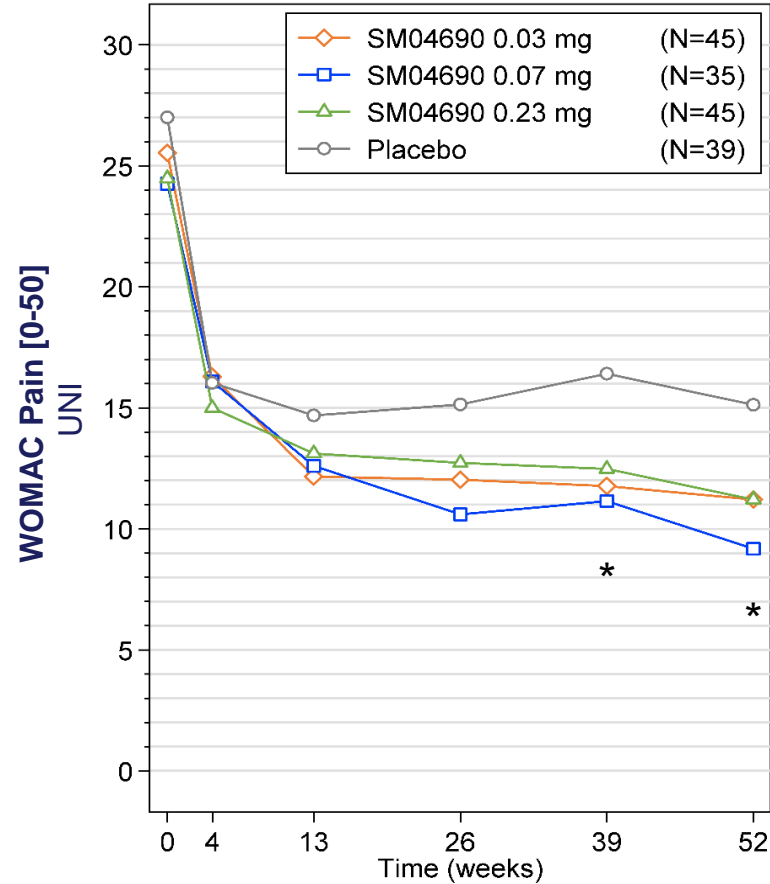
# WOMAC Pain [0-50]

Actual scores (mean)

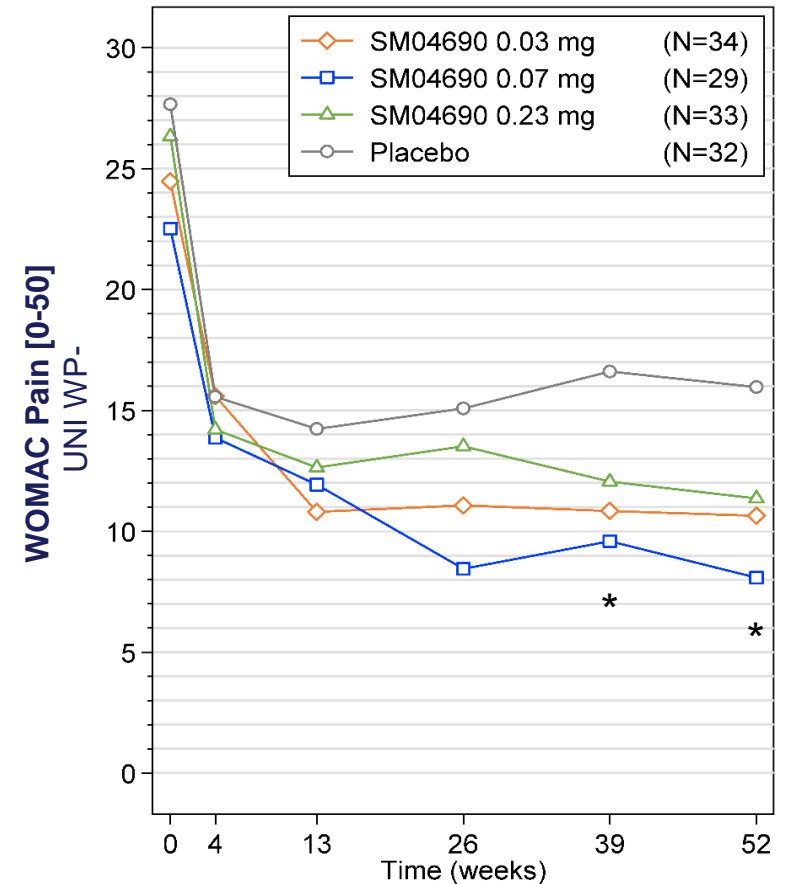
## ITT



## Unilateral Symptomatic



## Unilateral Symptomatic without Widespread Pain

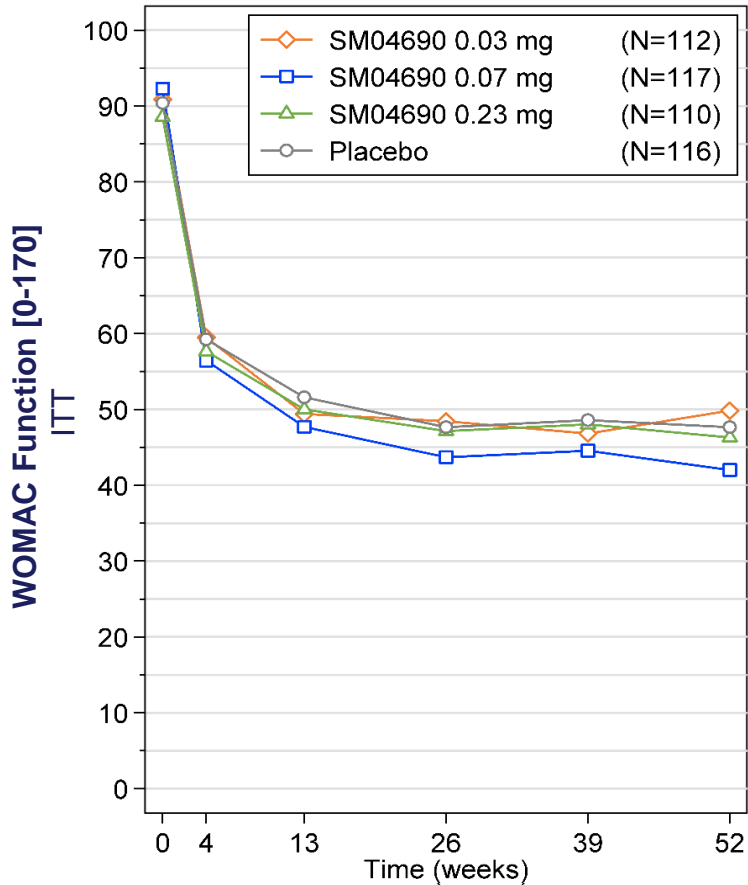


\* $P < 0.05$  Baseline adjusted ANCOVA comparing 0.07 mg SM04690 to PBO

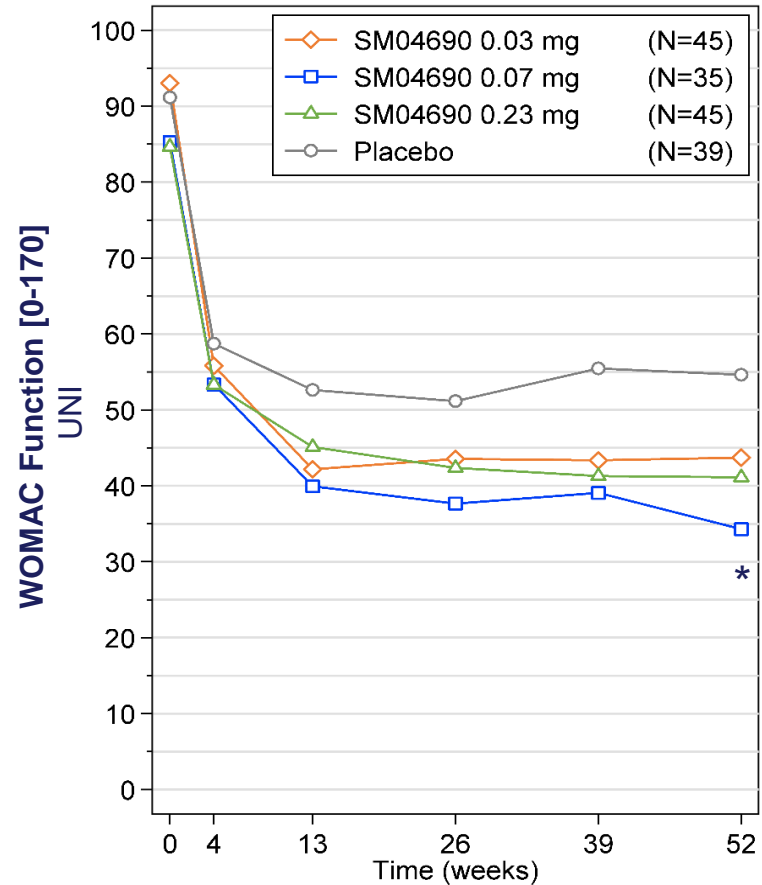
# WOMAC Function [0-170]

Actual scores (mean)

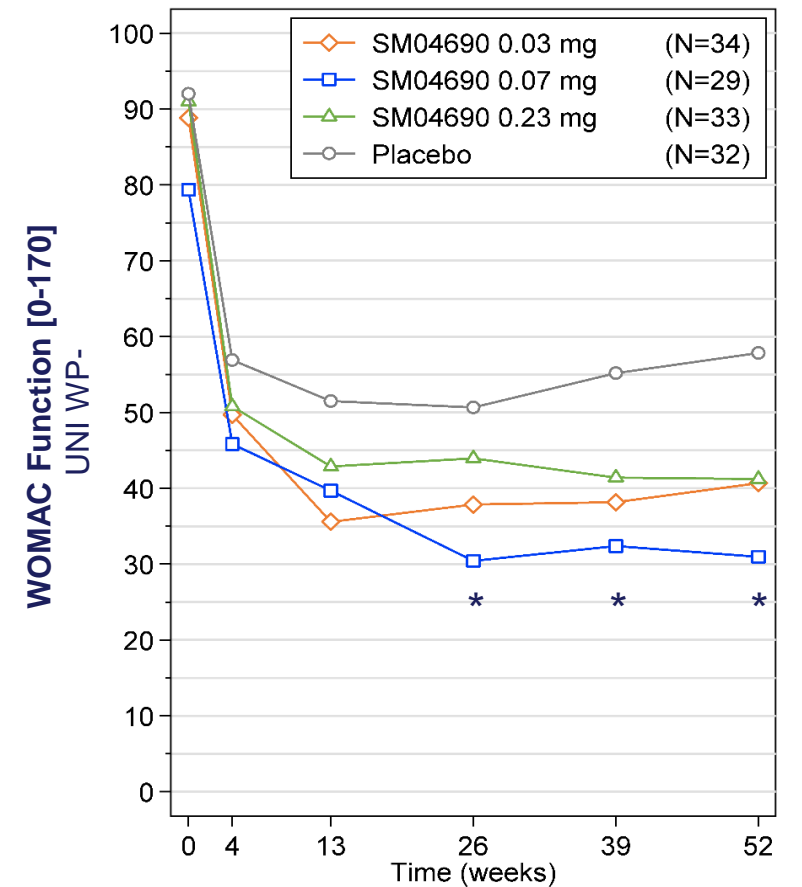
ITT



Unilateral Symptomatic



Unilateral Symptomatic without Widespread Pain

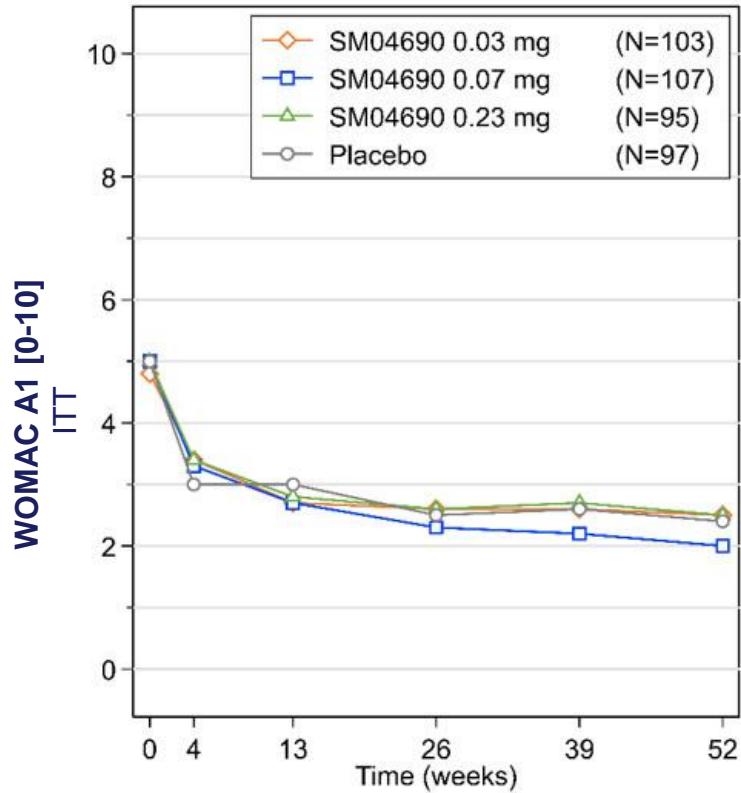


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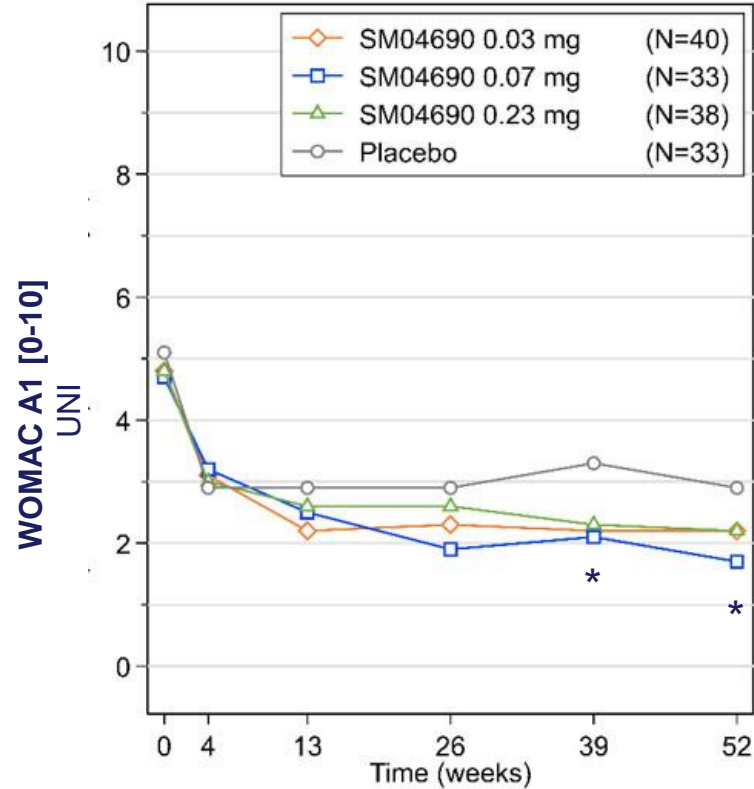
# WOMAC A1 Pain [0-10]

Actual scores (mean)

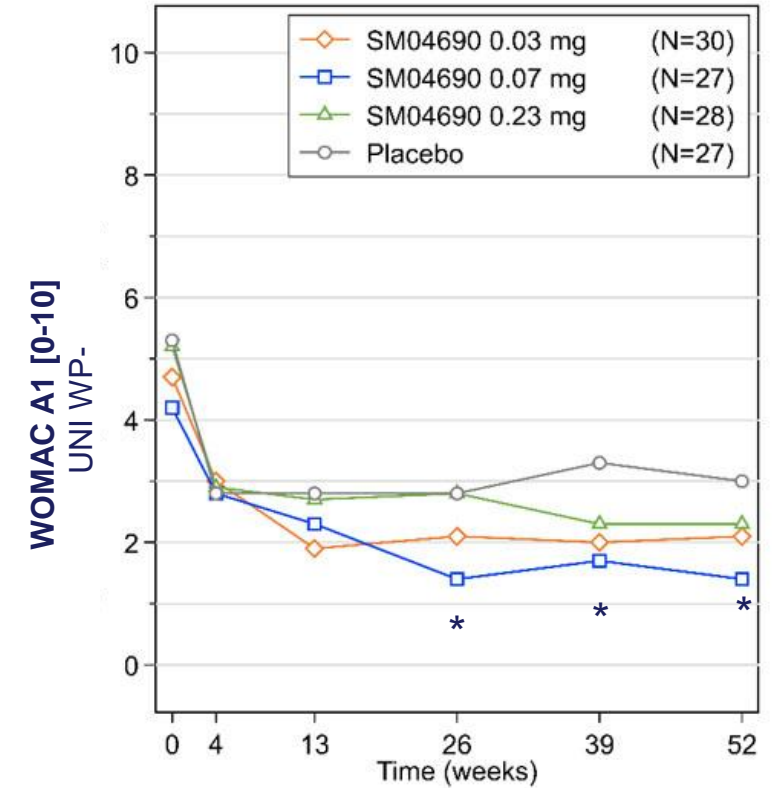
ITT



Unilateral Symptomatic



Unilateral Symptomatic without Widespread Pain



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# SM04690 0.07 mg average (scaled) improvement over PBO

	WOMAC Pain [0-10]			WOMAC Function [0-10]			WOMAC A1 [0-10]		
	ITT	UNI	UNI WP-	ITT	UNI	UNI WP-	ITT	UNI	UNI WP-
<b>Week 13</b>	0.14	0.16	0.00	0.26	0.63	0.48	0.25	0.23	0.05
<b>Week 26</b>	0.30	0.92	<b>0.92</b>	0.29	0.59	<b>0.96</b>	0.28	0.80	<b>1.18</b>
<b>Week 39</b>	0.36	1.18	<b>1.18</b>	0.29	0.78	<b>1.16</b>	0.42	<b>1.15</b>	<b>1.77</b>
<b>Week 52</b>	0.24	<b>1.12</b>	<b>1.12</b>	0.39	<b>1.03</b>	<b>1.34</b>	0.35	<b>1.09</b>	<b>1.40</b>

\*Improvement is absolute value of 0.07 mg treatment effect over PBO from a baseline adjusted ANCOVA.  
**Statistically significant P<0.05.**

# SM04690 0.07 mg effect size versus PBO at Week 52: Unilateral Symptomatic without Widespread Pain subjects

## 0.07 mg SM04690 vs. PBO

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Improvement</b>	<b>Mean Square Error</b>	<b>Effect Size</b>
<b>WOMAC A1</b>	1.4	3.4	0.764
<b>WOMAC Pain</b>	5.9	81.7	0.655
<b>WOMAC Physical Function</b>	24.7	1061.0	0.757

# This post-hoc analysis of SM04690 0.07 mg and WOMAC A1

Supports a previous study assessing WOMAC signal and aggregate score responsiveness<sup>1</sup>

At 52 weeks compared with PBO, Unilateral Symptomatic with and without Widespread Pain subgroups demonstrated significant WOMAC A1 pain improvements, corresponding with significant WOMAC Pain and Function improvements

In the Unilateral Symptomatic without Widespread Pain subgroup, effect size comparisons among WOMAC A1, Pain, and Function subscores at Week 52 were similar, supporting the responsiveness of the A1 question

# Thank you

Samumed posters:

SM04690-OA-02 52-Week Data – SAT0586

SM04755 Tendinopathy – THU0522

SM04755 Psoriasis – THU0046

SM04690-OA-02 Radiographic Outcomes – FRI0534

Meta-Analysis: Intra-Articular Saline Control – FRI0542

SM04690 Preclinical OA – FRI0552

Intra-Articular Placebo Effect in Knee OA Therapies – SAT0565