

M89, A COMBINATION OF 89% OF VICHY VOLCANIC MINERALIZING WATER AND HYALURONIC ACID IS BENEFICIAL AS AN ADJUNCT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF ROSACEA: RESULTS FROM AN OBSERVATIONAL INTERNATIONAL STUDY

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INTRODUCTION

Rosacea is a common chronic inflammatory skin disease characterised by persistent erythema associated with periodic intensification or 'flares'. Fixed centrofacial erythema is a characteristic feature, others being flushing, papules, pustules and telangiectasia.¹⁻³ M89 (Mineral 89, Vichy Laboratoires) contains 89% Vichy volcanic mineralizing water (VVMW) and 0.4% hyaluronic acid. It is hypoallergenic and contains no perfume, thus being suitable for subjects with rosacea. VVMW originates from the French volcanic region and contains 15 minerals with a total mineral concentration of 5.2g/l. These minerals reinforce the natural defences of the skin in restoring the natural skin barrier, stimulating antioxidant activity and reducing inflammation, which is commonly observed in subjects with rosacea.⁴⁻⁷

AIM

An observational and international study was conducted in 3461 subjects with various facial dermatoses and post procedures. The aim of this poster was to present the benefits and tolerability of M89 as an adjunct in a subgroup of subjects with rosacea.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Data from a subgroup of 114 subjects treated for rosacea were analysed. M89 was provided as an adjunct to conventional therapy for 4 weeks. Clinical evaluations included assessment of clinical signs and symptoms at baseline and after 4 weeks. At week 1 and 4, perceived tolerance and satisfaction were assessed.

RESULTS

Detailed demographic data are given in Table 1.

Table 2 provides details about clinical signs and their severity grade at study start.

The prevalence of subjects with no or improved clinical signs present at study start had increased significantly ($p < 0.0001$) for erythema by 77.9%, for desquamation by 89.5% and for irritation by 95.1% after 4 weeks.

Figure 1 provides shifts from severity stages between study start and the end of study for these clinical signs for subjects for whom severity was graded.

In subjects with symptoms at study start, the mean score for skin dryness had decreased by 62.1%, for burning sensation by 77.5%, for itching sensation by 62.6% and for stinging/tingling by 60.6%; the decrease was significant ($p < 0.0001$) after 4 weeks.

Figure 2 gives mean scores at study start and end of study.

Skin hydration had significantly ($p < 0.0001$) increased in 69.4% of subjects. There was no significant change from baseline for the papules/pustules count.

Overall, 97.3% of subjects were satisfied with the texture of M89 at study end. The mean satisfaction score was 7.8 ± 2.2 out of 10 after applying M89 after one week and 8.6 ± 1.9 after 4 weeks.

For a large majority (94.7%) of subjects, investigator satisfaction was high or very high.

After applying M89 for one week, 75.2% of subjects reported soothed or very soothed skin; after 4 weeks, this percentage increased to 96.5%.

Overall, M89 was well or very well tolerated by 98.2% of subjects.

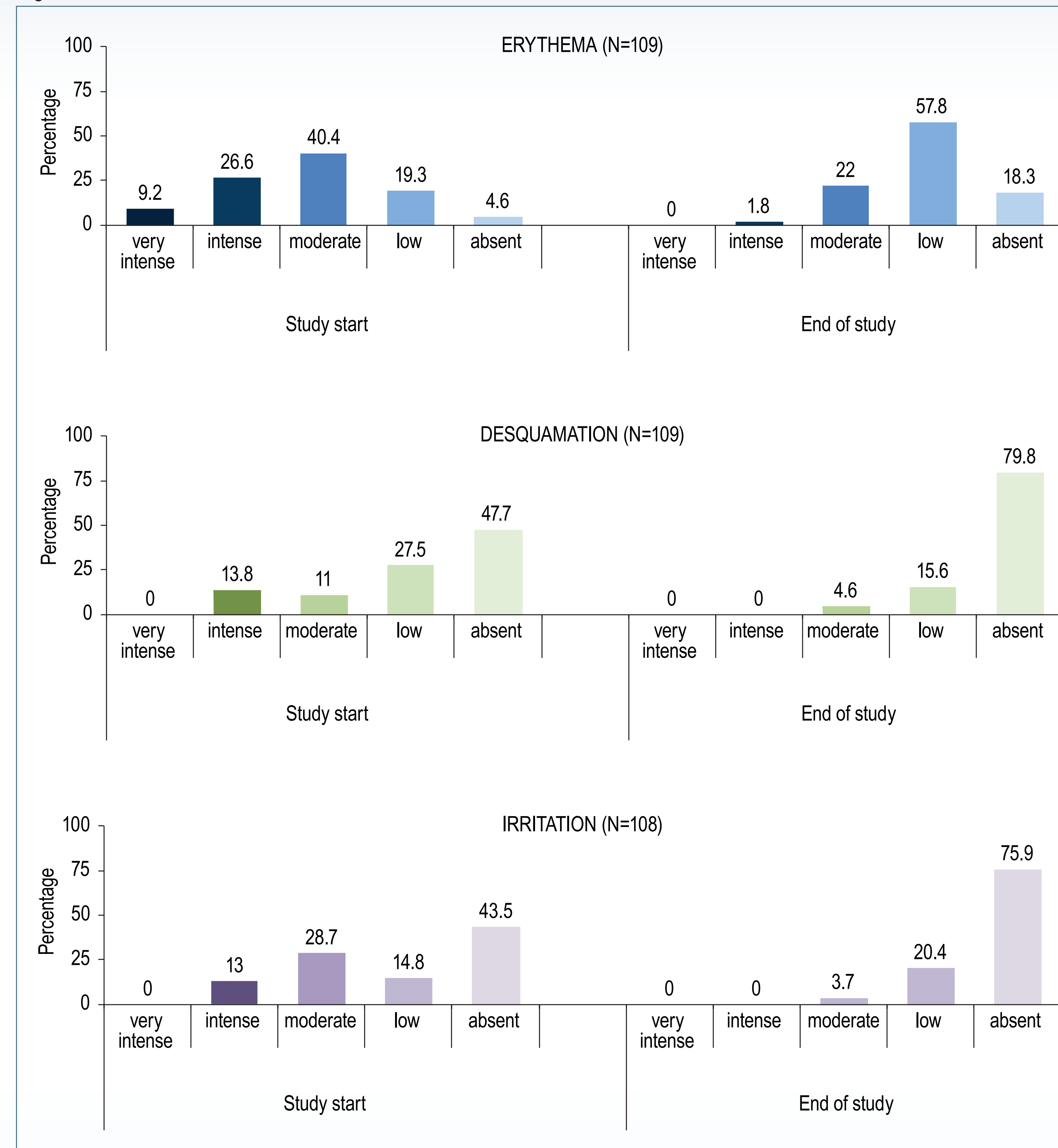
DEMOGRAPHICS AND SKIN CHARACTERISTICS AT STUDY START

	Total	
	n	%
Gender	113	100
Female	97	85.8
Male	16	14.2
Age	112	
Mean \pm SD	43.0 \pm 9.8	
Median	42.0	
Min; Max	23.0;86.0	
Phototype	113	100
I	11	9.7
II	66	58.4
III	30	26.5
IV	6	5.3
Skin type	113	100
Very dry	4	3.5
Dry	61	54.0
Normal	16	14.2
Combination	22	19.5
Oily	10	8.8
Sensitive skin	112	100
Yes	103	92.0
No	9	8.0
Papules/pustules	112	100
Yes	35	31.3
No	77	68.8

CLINICAL SIGNS ASSESSED BY THE INVESTIGATORS AT STUDY START

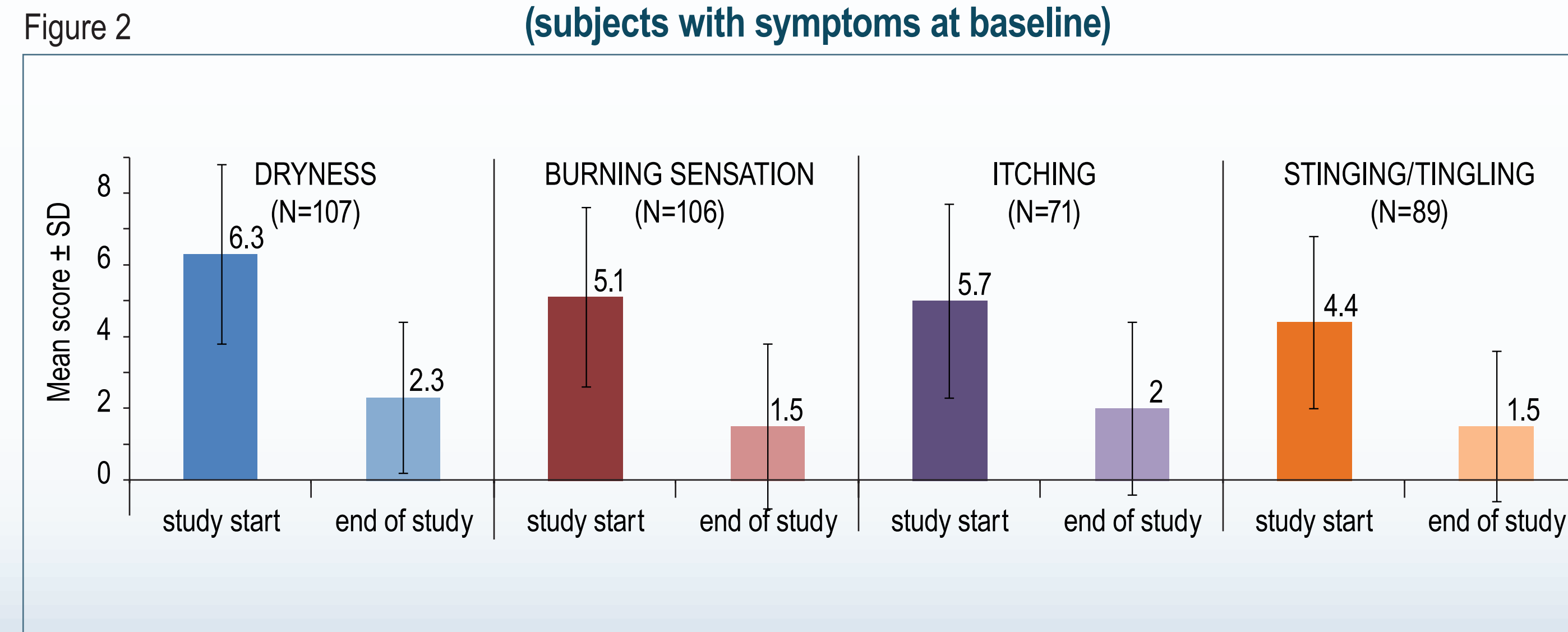
	Total	
	n	%
Erythema	114	100
Grade	111	100
Very intense	10	9.0
Intense	30	27.0
Moderate	45	40.5
Low	21	18.9
Absent	5	4.5
Desquamation	113	100
Grade	112	100
Very intense	0	0
Intense	16	14.3
Moderate	12	10.7
Low	31	27.7
Absent	53	47.3
Irritation	114	100
Grade	109	100
Very Intense	0	0
Intense	14	12.8
Moderate	32	29.4
Low	16	14.7
Absent	47	43.1

Figure 1 SHIFT OF SEVERITY GRADES OF CLINICAL SIGNS



The difference in prevalence of subjects with improved clinical signs was statistically significant ($p < 0.0001$) after 4 weeks compared to study start.

MEAN CLINICAL SYMPTOM SCORES AT STUDY START AND AT END OF STUDY (subjects with symptoms at baseline)



Mean scores had significant ($p < 0.0001$) decreased at study end.

CONCLUSION

M89 improves clinical signs and symptoms of rosacea, with high tolerability and satisfaction in a real life setting

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Conflict of interest

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