

Persistent growth-promoting effects of vosoritide in children with achondroplasia is accompanied by improvement in physical aspects of quality of life

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Background and objective

- Achondroplasia (ACH) is the most common form of disproportionate short stature (1:25,000 live births)^{1,2} and is associated with a high burden of medical complications^{2–5} and a reduced quality of life⁶
- ACH is caused by a pathogenic variant in the fibroblast growth factor receptor 3 gene (*FGFR3*) that constitutively activates the downstream inhibitory signalling pathway in chondrocytes, leading to impaired endochondral bone growth and multiple complications^{1,2}
- Vosoritide is based on naturally occurring C-type natriuretic peptide engineered to resist degradation and increase the half-life⁷
- In clinical trials, vosoritide has been shown to increase growth in children with ACH of all ages with growth potential^{8–13}
- Vosoritide is approved for use in children with ACH and open epiphyses:
 - From birth in the USA, Japan, and Australia
 - From ≥4 months in the EU and from ≥6 months in Brazil

Objective: To evaluate the impact of vosoritide on health-related quality of life (HRQoL) in children with ACH using Quality of Life in Short Stature Youth (QoLISSY) questionnaires¹⁴

ACH, achondroplasia; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; QoLISSY, Quality of Life in Short Stature Youth

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Design and methods



Design

- **Phase 3 OLE study (vosoritide 15 µg/kg/day) in 119 children aged ≥5 years**
- Secondary endpoint: change in HRQoL using QoLISSY questionnaire at baseline and at 6-month intervals*
- Data collection completed up to Year 3 (February 2023)



Methodology

- **Mean annual changes from baseline for each domain score and Total Score** for caregiver- and self-reported questionnaires for:
 - All children assessed at baseline
 - Children with ≥1 SD ACH height Z-score improvement at Year 3
- To understand changes in the treated population, mixed models estimated annual changes in each domain score in the untreated setting[†]

*Self-reported QoLISSY was not available at baseline for participants aged <8 years; [†]Using placebo and observational data
ACH, achondroplasia; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; OLE, open-label extension; QoLISSY, Quality of Life in Short Stature Youth

Quality of Life in Short Stature Youth (QoLISSY)

	Self-reported	Caregiver-reported
Population	Children/adolescents with short stature (aged 8–18 years)	Caregivers (of children with short stature aged 4–18 years)
Domains (number of items)	Core domains: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physical (6)*• Social (8)†• Emotional (8)†	
Recall period	Last week and currently	
Response options	5-point Likert scale ('not at all' to 'extremely'; 'never' to 'always')	
Scoring	Subscale scores and Total Scores; raw scores are transformed to a 0–100 scale with higher scores indicating higher HRQoL	

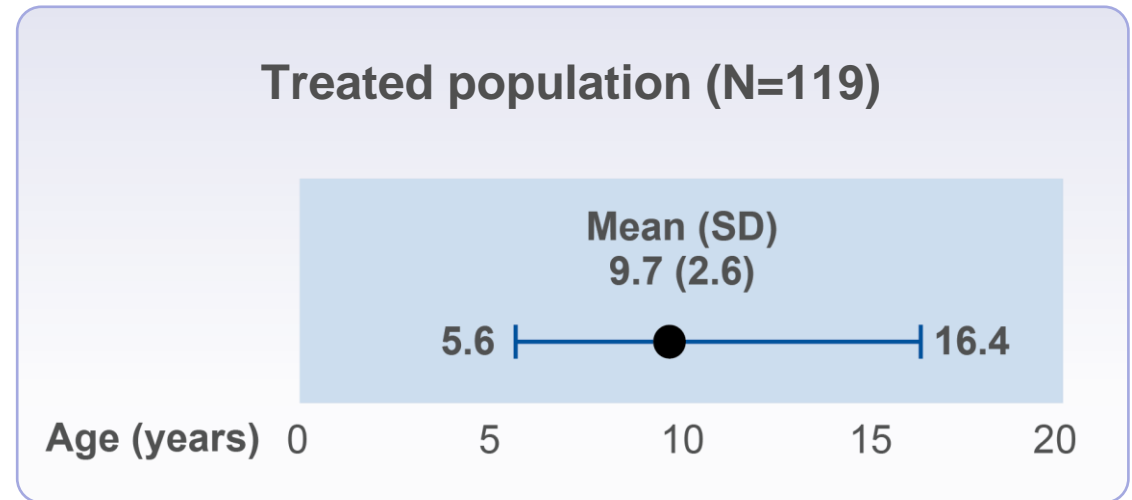
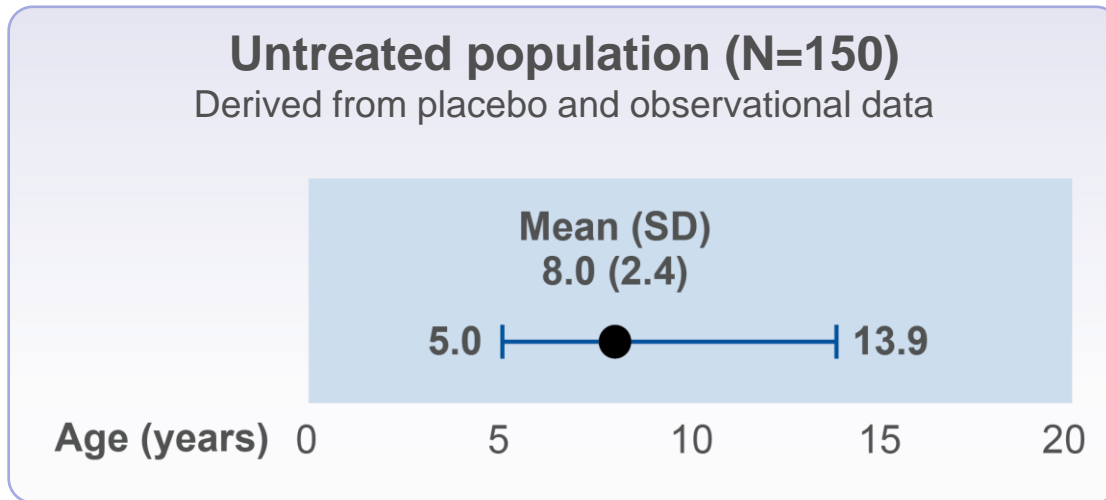
QoLISSY has good content validity and psychometric properties in the ACH population

*Minimum score: 6; maximum score: 30; †Minimum score: 8; maximum score: 40

ACH, achondroplasia; COA, clinical outcome assessment; HRQoL, health-related quality of life

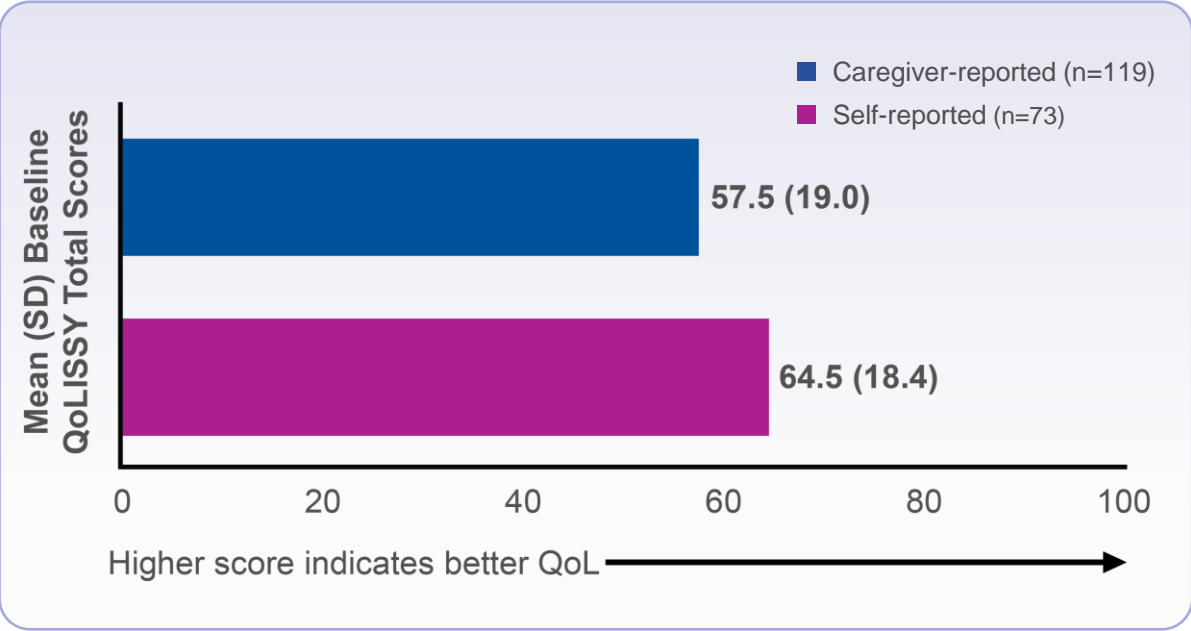
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Results: Patient characteristics and demographics



	Untreated population (N=150)	Treated population (N=119)
Sex, n (%)		
Female	72 (48.0)	56 (47.1)
Ethnicity, n (%)		
White	118 (78.7)	85 (71.4)
Asian	18 (12.0)	21 (17.6)
Black or African American	7 (4.7)	5 (4.2)

Results: Mean baseline QoLISSY scores



Reported domain score	Mean baseline (SD)	
	Caregiver-reported (n=119)	Self-reported (n=73)
Physical Score	49.2 (20.5)	59.0 (19.7)
Social Score	59.0 (21.4)	64.7 (22.3)
Emotional Score	64.2 (20.5)	69.7 (22.2)
Coping Score	45.9 (19.0)*	49.0 (22.1)
Beliefs Score	62.2 (28.1)	59.0 (28.0)
Future Score	69.0 (26.8)†	-
Effects on Parent Score	61.0 (21.7)	-

QoLISSY Total Score‡ at baseline was consistent with previous findings in the ACH population,^{1,§} and lower than that seen in children with average stature^{2,¶}

ACH population in the LIAISE study¹:

- Caregiver-reported (n=91): **52.8**
- Self-reported (n=51): **60.5**

Average stature children²:

- Caregiver-reported (n=35): **75.5**
- Self-reported (n=30): **80.0**

*n=116; †n=117; ‡QoLISSY Total Score is the sum of physical, social, and emotional domains; §Children with ACH who had not undergone limb-lengthening surgery in the LIAISE study;

¶Children with ISS and height > -2 SD

ACH, achondroplasia; ISS, idiopathic short stature; QoL, quality of life; QoLISSY, Quality of Life in Short Stature Youth

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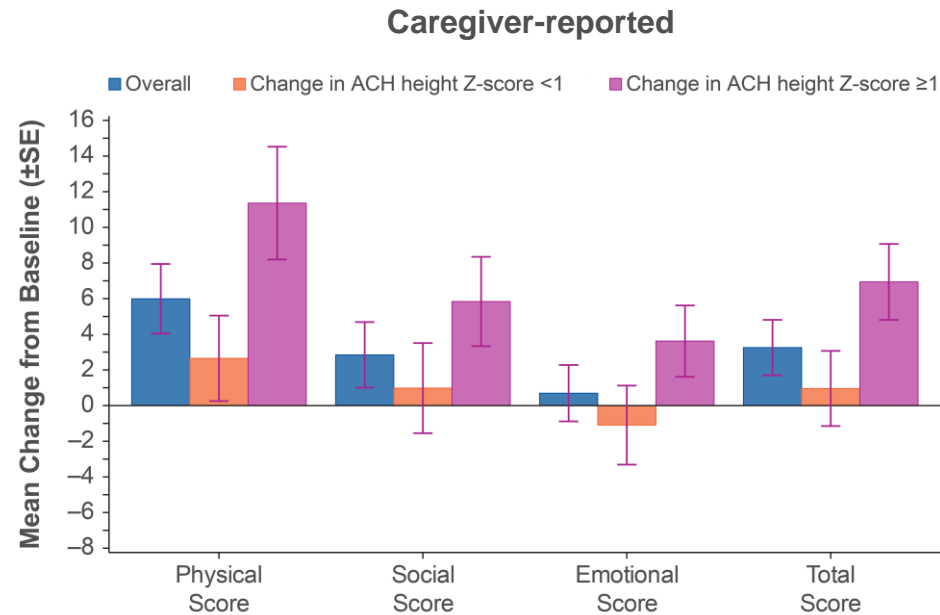
Results: Change in QoLISSY in the treated population at Year 3 and estimated annual change in untreated population

Reported domain score/Total Score*	Estimated annual slope (SE) in the untreated population	Change in QoLISSY score in the treated population at Year 3		
		Overall	Change in ACH height Z-score <1	Change in ACH height Z-score ≥1
Caregiver-reported				
Physical Score	0.16 (0.55)	6.0	2.7	11.4
Social Score	0.16 (0.50)	2.9	1.0	5.8
Emotional Score	-1.40 (0.57)	0.7	-1.1	3.6
Coping Score	1.41 (0.48)	2.3	4.5	-1.4
Beliefs Score	-0.70 (0.66)	-1.3	-1.3	-1.4
Future Score	-1.45 (0.63)	-2.4	-3.0	-1.5
Effects on Parent Score	1.53 (0.50)	3.9	4.2	3.3
Total Score*	-0.27 (0.48)	3.3	1.0	6.9
Self-reported				
Physical Score	1.45 (0.77)	6.3	4.4	8.5
Social Score	1.92 (0.77)	6.8	4.2	9.8
Emotional Score	1.19 (0.70)	1.1	-0.8	3.1
Coping Score	-0.75 (0.93)	1.5	5.2	-2.7
Beliefs Score	1.94 (1.09)	1.0	3.3	-1.9
Total Score*	1.63 (0.63)	5.4	2.9	8.3

*QoLISSY Total Score is the sum of physical, social, and emotional domains

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Results: Change from baseline in QoLISSY scores at Year 3 in the treated population



Positive changes observed in QoLISSY **physical** and **social** domain scores (and **Total Score**) were indicative of an improvement in QoL; **improvement was particularly pronounced in participants with ACH height Z-score ≥1 SD**

Data cut-off 25 February 2023. A positive change in QoLISSY score is indicative of an improvement in QoL. Z-scores were derived using ACH age-/sex-specific reference data (means and SDs) from CLARITY (Hoover-Fong J et al. *Orphanet J Rare Dis.* 2021)

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Conclusions



These data suggest that vosoritide **improves** HRQoL among children with ACH, particularly for the physical domain scores



There was a more pronounced change in participants with **greater improvement** in their ACH height Z-score (≥ 1 SD)



Additional analyses are required to further evaluate and interpret the observed changes in QoLISSY scores

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