

# DERMO-COSMETIC SUPPORT IN SKIN DRYNESS ASSOCIATED WITH DIABETES MILLETUS: IMPROVEMENT OF PRURITUS, SLEEPING AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE PATIENTS.

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### INTRODUCTION

Skin dryness affects diabetic patients in 30% of the cases, particularly in type 2. It negatively impacts their quality of life as it is often associated with pruritus. Consequently, the interest and safety of a specific dermo-cosmetic product was assessed in these patients.

#### **MATERIALS & METHODS**

A clinical study under dermatological control on 40 diabetic patients (**Table 1**) presenting skin dryness according to the  $\underline{S}$ caling  $\underline{R}$ oughness  $\underline{R}$ edness and  $\underline{C}$ racks (SRRC\*) scale.

## Product application once to twice daily on the face and body (mainly on dry

# Inclusion visit (D0)

Dermatological examination

- Final visit (D28)
- Clinical scoring (SRRC\*, pruritus and insomnia)
- Cutaneous hydration assessment (corneometer)
- > Illustrative pictures of the studied skin area
- Quality of life questionnaire (DLQI)
- Subjective scoring
- Adverse event(s) collection

Table 1: Description of the studied population

		n = 40		
Age (years)	Mean (±SEM)	57 (±1)		
	Min	28		
	Max	69		
Gender	Female	34 (85%)		
	Male	6 (15%)		
Type of diabetes	1	5 (12.5%)		
	2	35 (87.5%)		
Face skin type	Normal	7 (17%)		
	Combination	2 (5%)		
	Dry	31 (78%)		
Body skin type	Dry	40 (100%)		

<sup>\*</sup>SRRC is the sum up of these 4 parameters, rated on a 5-point scale (0=absent, 1=slight, 2=moderate, 3=severe, 4=extreme)



## **RESULTS:** clinical efficacy

At D28, the SRRC score significatively decreased (Graph 1) and the hydration rate increased by +38% (p<0.0001), corresponding to an improvement of the skin state for 97% of the included patients (see pictures in Figure 1) Similarly, pruritus and insomnia decreased (Graph 2) corresponding to an improvement of these symptoms on 88% and 75% of the patients, respectively.

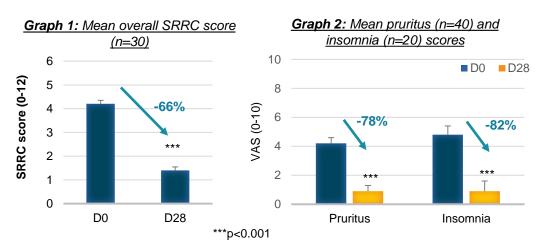


Figure 1: Illustrative pictures of 2 patients





# **RESULTS:** subjective efficacy

The product's application induced an improvement in the quality of life of these patients at D28 (**Graph 3** and **Table 2**). In addition, the product was very well appreciated (**Graph 4**) and tolerated by all the panel.

Graph 3: Mean DLQI score (n=40)

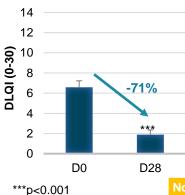
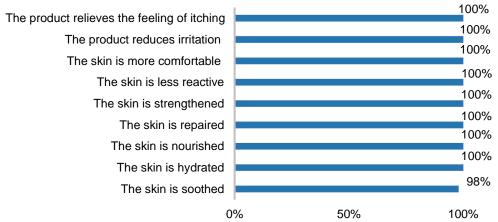


Table 2: Evolution of the DLQI from D0 to D28 (n=40)

	DLQI score	D0		D28	
_		n	%	n	%
No effect at all	0 - 1	1	53	16	98
Small effect	2 - 5	20		23	
Moderate effect	6 - 10	15	48	0	3
Very large effect	11 - 20	4		1	
Extremely large effect	21 - 30	0	0	0	0

Graph 4: Subjective efficacy at D28 (n=40)



## CONCLUSION

This specific dermo-cosmetic significantly improves skin dryness and the quality of life of diabetic patients, helping them to overcome the skin discomforts associated with their illness.