

APP13007  
(Clobetasol Propionate Ophthalmic Nanosuspension)  
for the Treatment of  
Inflammation and Pain after Cataract Surgery

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# Objective and Background

**AIM:** To evaluate the safety and efficacy of APP13007 for the treatment of inflammation and pain after cataract surgery in a double-masked, placebo-controlled, 2-part (A and B) Phase 2 study.

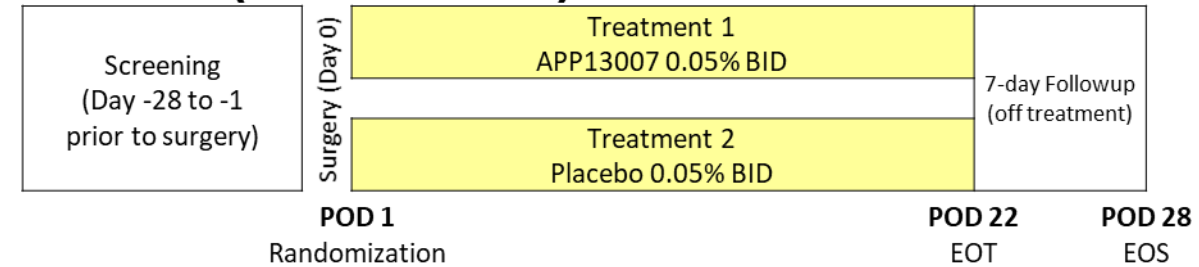
- APP13007 is an opalescent liquid of a novel, aqueous ophthalmic nano-suspension of Clobetasol Propionate for convenient multi-dose dispensing.
- Clobetasol Propionate is the most potent corticosteroid used in clinical practice, but previously has only been available for topical dermal use.
- In nonclinical studies, APP13007 shows good penetration of Clobetasol Propionate into ocular tissues after instillation into the conjunctival sac.

# Study Design

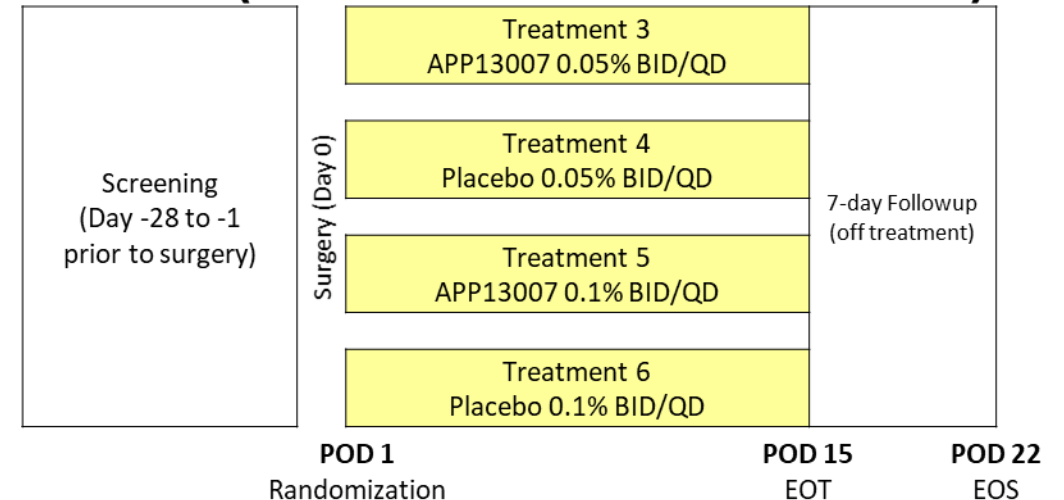
## Two-part Study (A and B)

- Eligible subjects assessed and randomized 1 day after routine uncomplicated cataract surgery, i.e., on post-operative day (POD) 1 = baseline
- Further assessments
  - Part A: POD4, 8, 15, 22 and post-treatment POD28
  - Part B: POD4, 8, 15, and post-treatment POD22
- Two strengths (0.05% and 0.1%) and two dosing regimens:
  - Part A: 1 drop 0.05% APP13007 or Placebo BID for 21 days
  - Part B: 1 drop 0.05% or 0.1% APP13007 or matching Placebo BID for 3 days followed by 1 drop QD for 11 days

## Part A (0.05% BID)



## Part B (0.05% and 0.1% BID/QD)



# Key Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

- Age  $\geq$  50 years
- Males and Females (only females of non-childbearing potential)
- No medical and surgical conditions and prohibited medications that could confound study outcomes and/or subject safety or wellbeing

## Post-Op Day 1 (POD1)/Day of Randomization

- Had unilateral uncomplicated cataract extraction and lens implantation
- Had  $>$  10 cells and  $\leq$  30 cells in the anterior chamber
- Had an IOP  $\leq$  30 mmHg.

# Disposition and Demographics

- Part A: 45 subjects randomized and received Study Drug
  - 7 subjects were rescued or withdrawn before POD22
- Part B: 87 subjects randomized and received Study Drug
  - 15 subjects were rescued or withdrawn before POD15

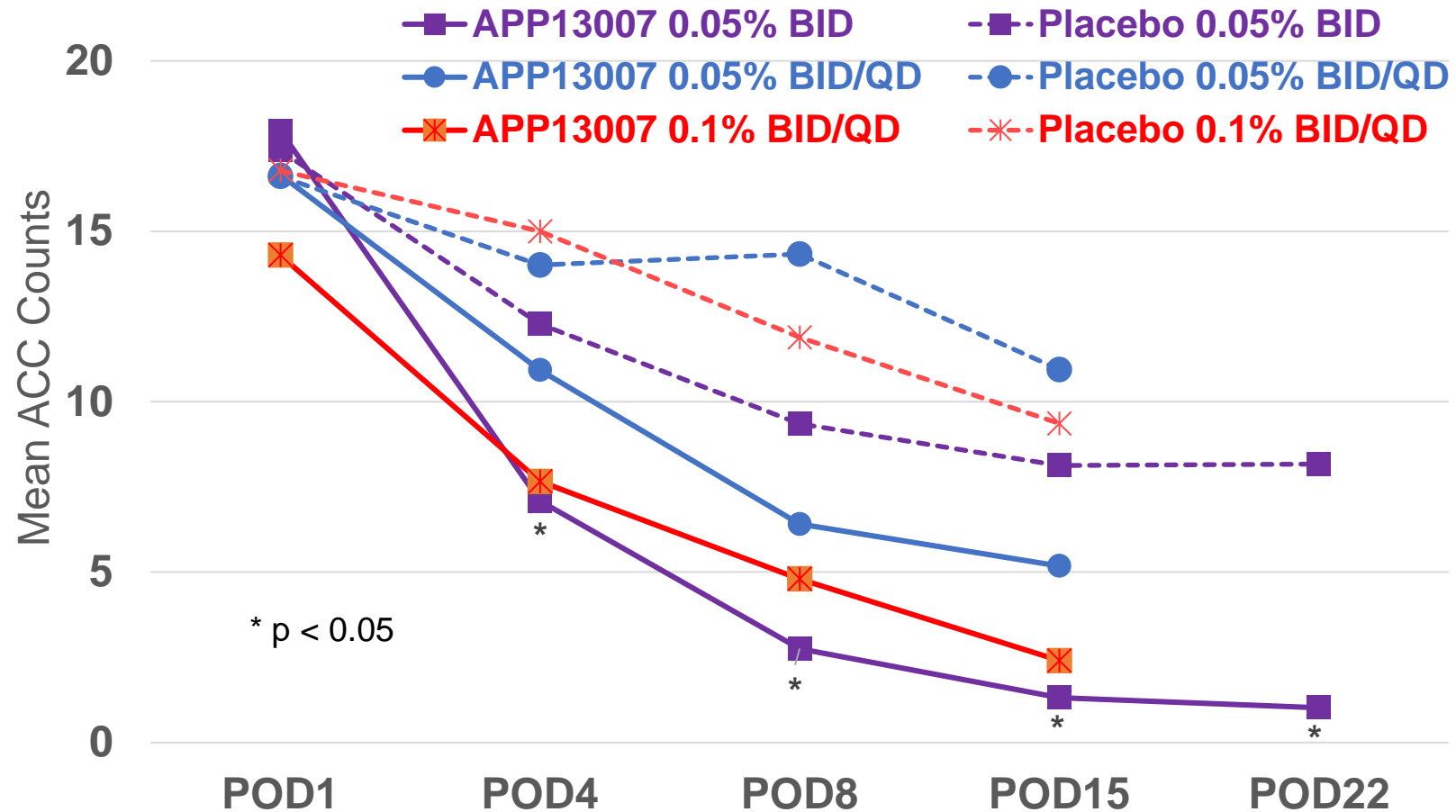
Typical of subjects who have Cataract Surgery in US:

- Mean Age: ~68 years
- Gender: Females > Males
- Race: White (incl. Hispanic) > Black > Asian

Baseline characteristics were comparable between the APP13007 and matching placebo groups

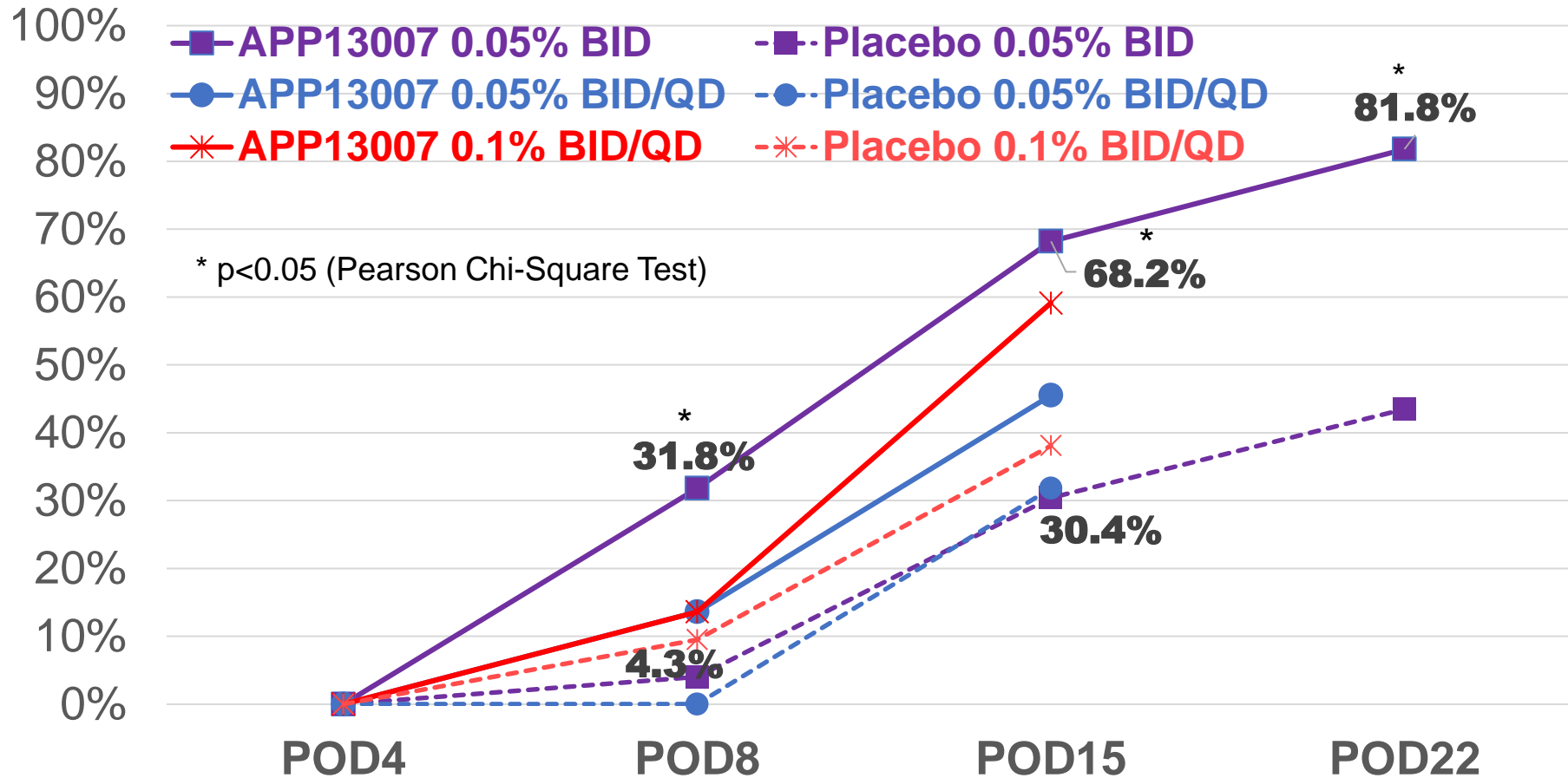
# Mean Anterior Chamber Cell (ACC) Counts

Part A (POD1 - POD22) and Part B (POD1 - POD15)



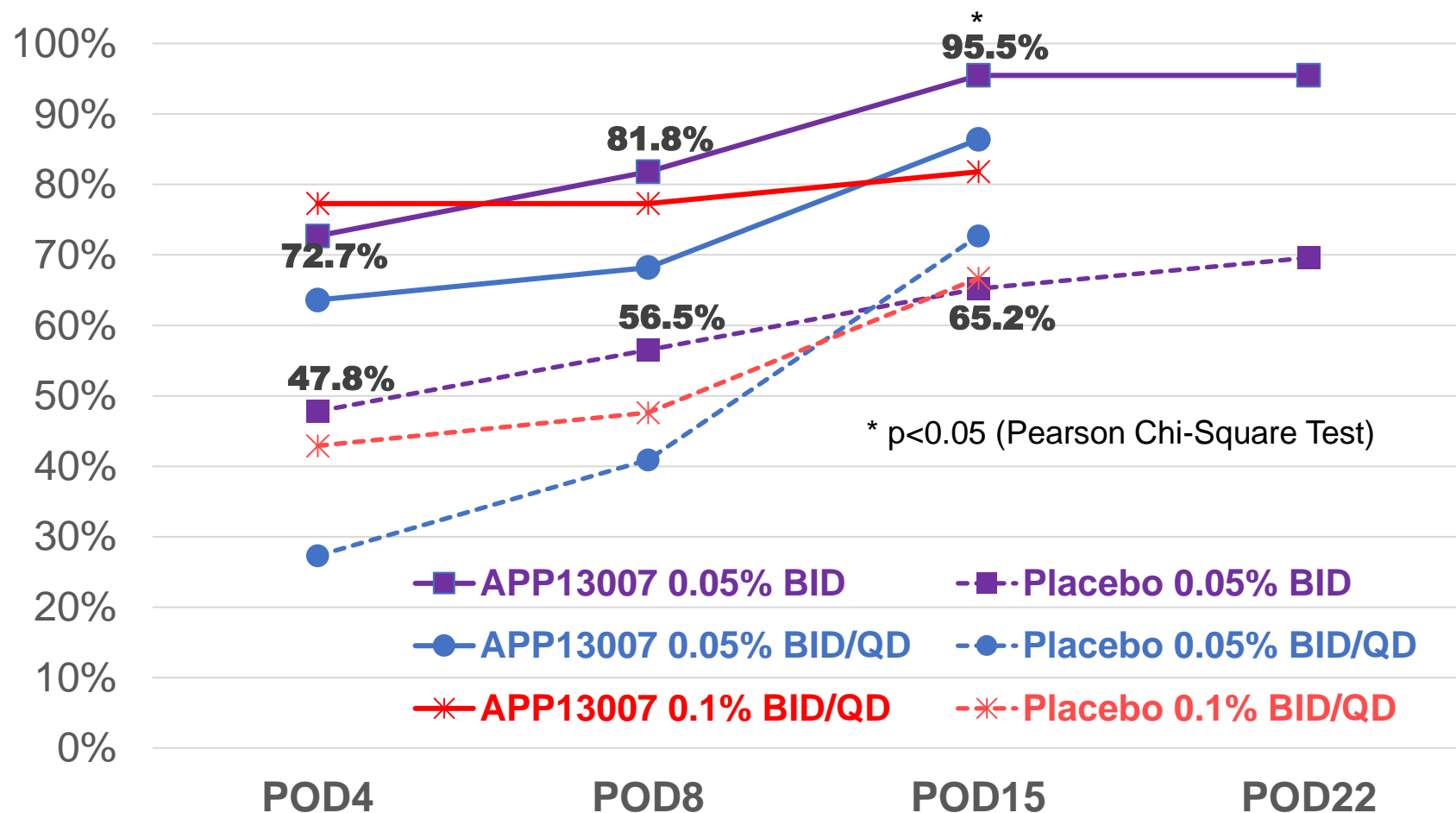
# Sustained ACC Count=0/Grade = 0

(sustained from POD8 to POD22 in Part A or POD15 in Part B)



# Sustained Pain Grade = 0

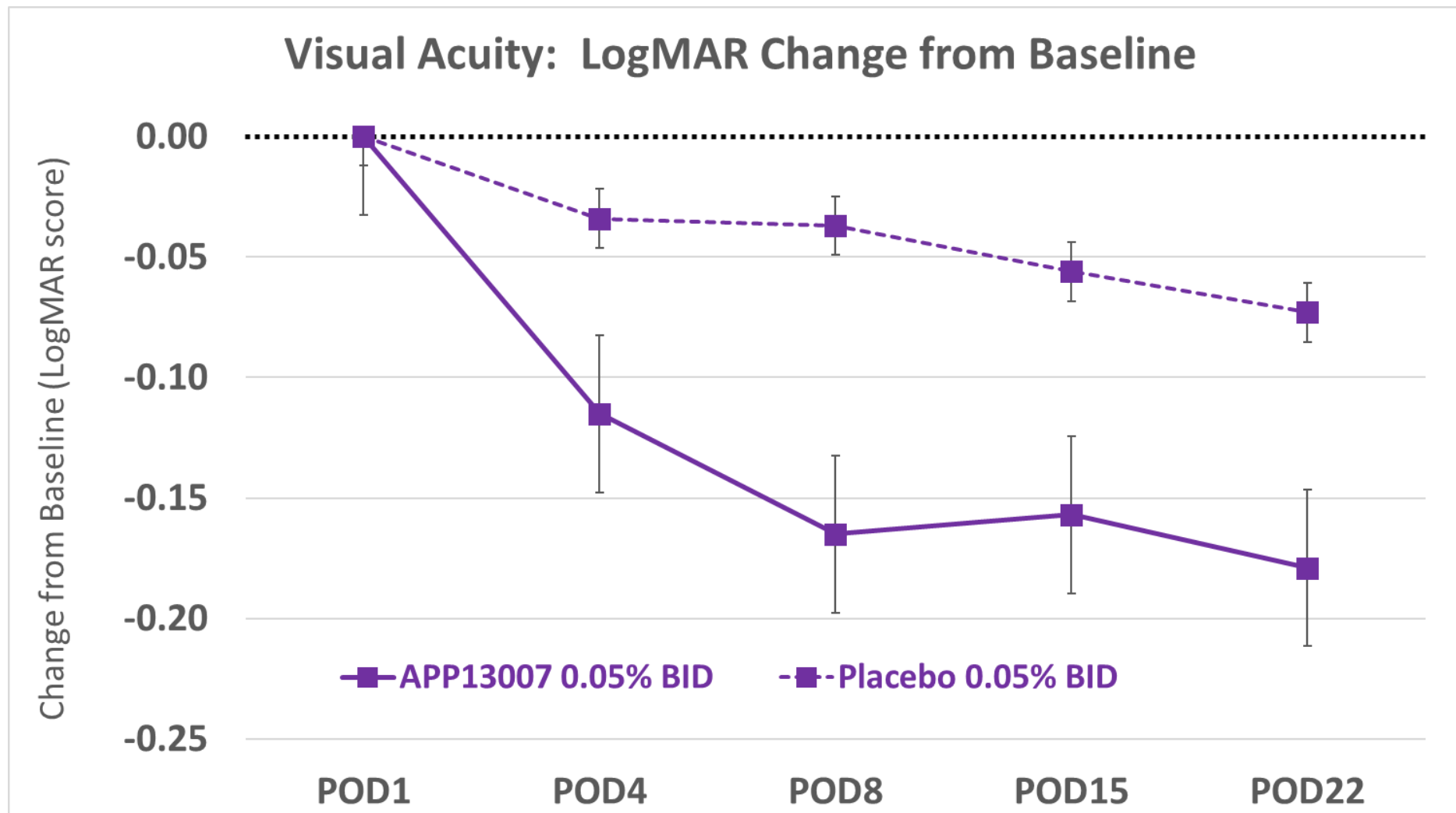
(sustained from POD4 to POD22 in Part A or POD15 in Part B)





# Visual Acuity (LogMAR Score)

Mean Change from Baseline ( $\pm$  SEM)



# Cumulative Number of Rescued Subjects – a marker of lack of efficacy

Day	APP13007 0.05% BID		APP13007 0.05% BID/QD		APP13007 0.1% BID/QD	
	Active	Placebo	Active	Placebo	Active	Placebo
<b>POD 4</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>1 (4.3 %)</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>4 (18.2 %)</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>4 (19.0 %)</b>
<b>POD 8</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>3 (13.0 %)</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>5 (22.7 %)</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>5 (23.8 %)</b>
<b>POD 15</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>3 (13.0 %)</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>5 (22.7 %)</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>5 (23.8 %)</b>
<b>POD 22</b>	<b>0 (0 %)</b>	<b>3 (13.0 %)</b>				

## Pre-specified Rescue Criteria:

- After randomization, ACC count >30 cells.
- After randomization, an increase in ACC by > 15 cells from POD1 baseline.
- After randomization, ≥2 grade of increase in anterior chamber flare from POD1 baseline.

# Summary of Efficacy

## **ACC Counts and Sustained ACC Grade = 0**

- 0.05% APP13007 BID is superior to Placebo and may perform better than APP13007 BID/QD regimens

## **Ocular Pain Grade and Sustained Pain Grade = 0**

- 0.05% APP13007 BID is superior to Placebo and may perform better than APP13007 BID/QD regimens

## **AC Flare**

- Improvements are concordant with the ACC Count results

## **Visual Acuity**

- Trend for rapid improvement with 0.05% APP13007 BID

## **Number of Subjects Rescued**

- None on active APP13007, 13 on placebo

# Safety – Adverse Events

APP13007 (APP) was well-tolerated with a safety profile similar to Placebo (PBO)

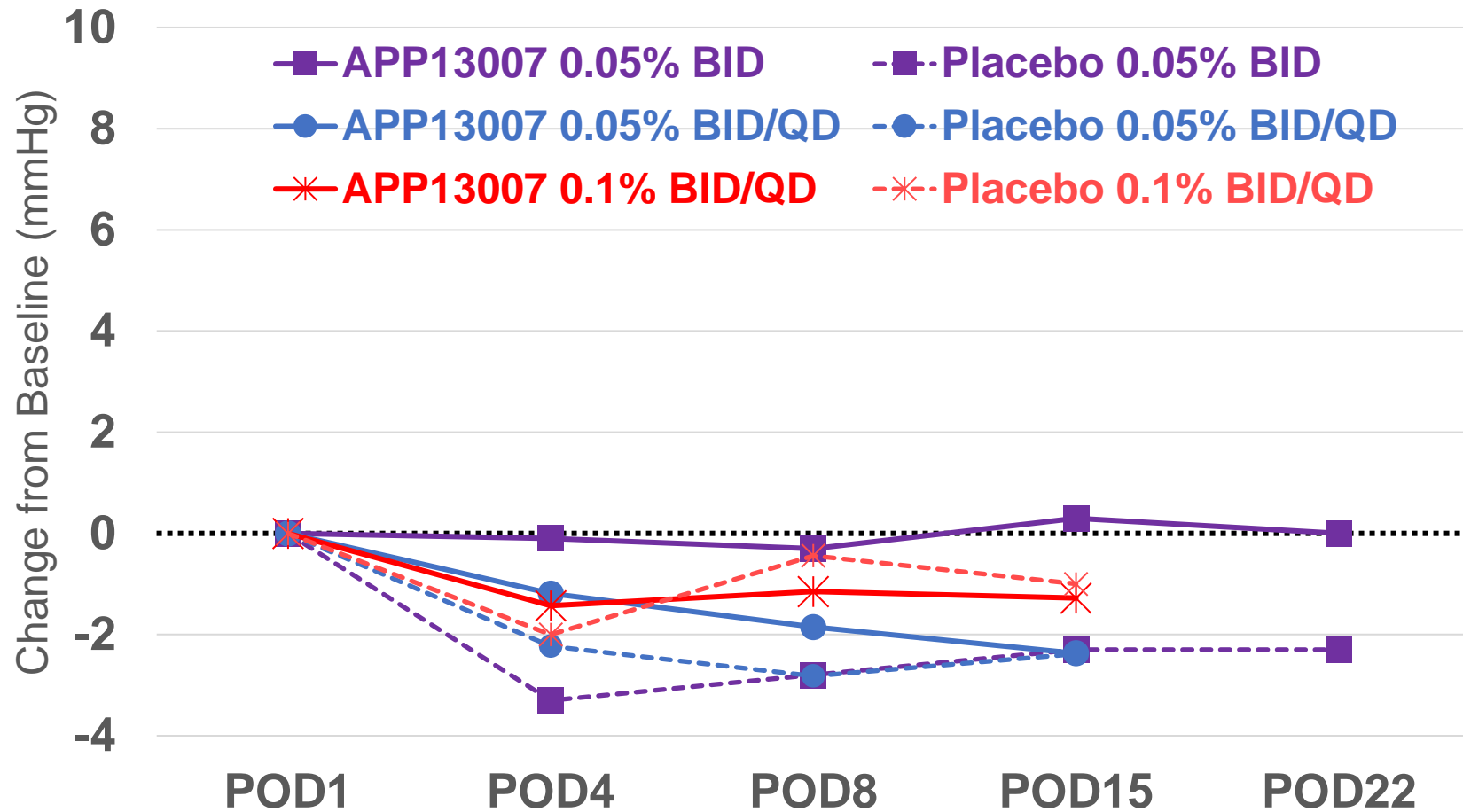
Part A	APP 0.05% BID (N = 22)		PBO 0.05% BID (N =23)	
	N	# of Events	N	# of Events
Adverse Event				
Eye Disorders (No irritation or grittiness)	2 (9%)	3	7 (30%)	10
Lab Safety Tests (present pre-dosing)	3 (14%)	3	0	0
Vomiting	1 (5%)	1	0	0
Eye Injury	0	0	1 (4%)	1

Part B	APP 0.05% BID/QD (N = 22)		PBO 0.05% BID/QD (N =22)		APP 0.1% BID/QD (N =22)		PBO 0.1% BID/QD (N = 21)	
	N	# of Events	N	# of Events	N	# of Events	N	# of Events
Adverse event								
Eye Disorders (1 PBO subject reported Foreign Body sensation)	3 (14%)	4	8 (36%)	10	5 (23%)	5	3 (14%)	5
Upper Respiratory Tract Infection	1 (5%)	1	0	0	1 (5%)	1	0	0
Headache	0	0	1 (5%)	1	0	0	1 (5%)	1
Cataract Surgery Complication	1 (5%)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Conclusion: No significant treatment-related adverse events**

# Safety – Intraocular Pressure

(Mean Change from Baseline)



# Summary of Safety

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## Adverse Events

- No AEs related to APP13007
- No irritation or grittiness related to APP13007 formulations

## Safety Lab Measurements

- No treatment-related effects

## Intraocular Pressure (IOP)

- No treatment-related effects
- No meaningful difference between APP13007 and placebo
- No increase from baseline  $>10$  mmHg

# Conclusion

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The safety and efficacy results from this study support the further clinical development of APP13007 0.05% BID for the treatment of inflammation and pain following ocular surgery

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