## EnABLE Survey<sup>†</sup>



Discrepancies in SLE management: barriers to improved care

## **Approach to SLE management**

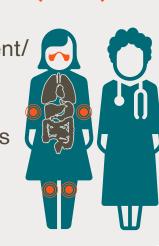
Results from EnABLE highlight an opportunity for increased awareness on appropriate corticosteroid use and a more proactive approach to the management of SLE





### More than a third of HCPs surveyed (37%)

did not agree that long-term treatment/ management was as important as immediate symptoms when caring for



Survey feedback indicated that only ~40% of rheumatologists

are aware that SLE leads to organ damage in 30-50%

persistently active

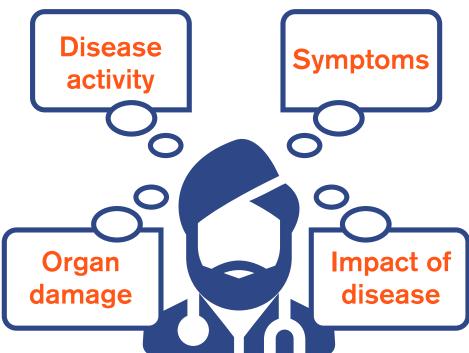
SLE patients

of patients within 5 years of diagnosis



## 69% of patients surveyed

did not believe that their HCP went beyond treating symptoms to fully manage all aspects of their persistently active SLE



## Appropriate use of corticosteroids

Corticosteroids are a common treatment for the manifestations of SLE, but long-term use is associated with irreversible organ damage<sup>1,2,3</sup>





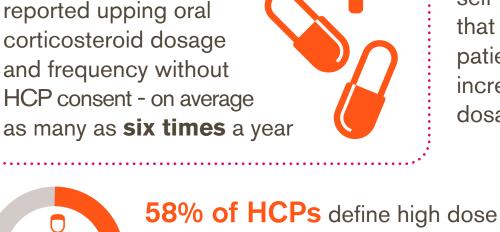


More than half of patients **(53%)** rely heavily on corticosteroids to get through difficult periods of lupus



#### Approximately a third of SLE patients reported upping oral corticosteroid dosage

and frequency without HCP consent - on average

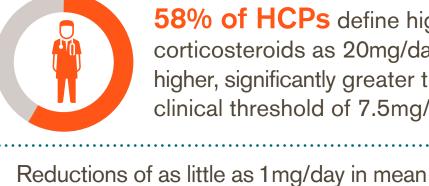


the scale of this patient

**HCPs underestimated** 

self-management predicting that only 15-20% of their patients independently increased corticosteroid dosage or frequency





corticosteroids as 20mg/day or higher, significantly greater than the clinical threshold of 7.5mg/day\*2,3

corticosteroid dose lower the estimated risk of future organ damage,2 however: 61% HCPs reported that

they did not plan to alter their corticosteroid use during times of active disease

8% expected to increase it in patients with persistently active SLE



The majority considered 10mg/day to be a low dose for patients with SLE\*\*



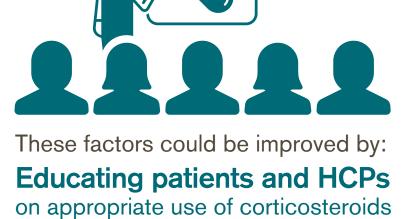
# A need for better education



improved awareness around long-term impact of the disease and appropriate use of corticosteroids in

EnABLE reveals a need for



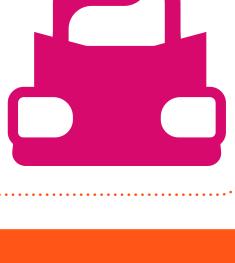


Helping HCPs to recognise that issues are ongoing and not just when symptoms appear

UsinLupus.com, Living with Lupus and TalkSLE.com designed to educate and equip the lupus community with the

Identify

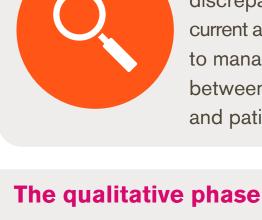
relevant tools to take a more holistic approach to disease management



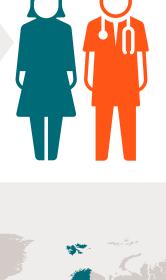
## Major multi-country survey, designed to:

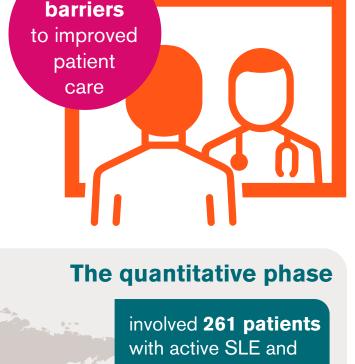
**Methodology** 

Provide an insight into discrepancies in



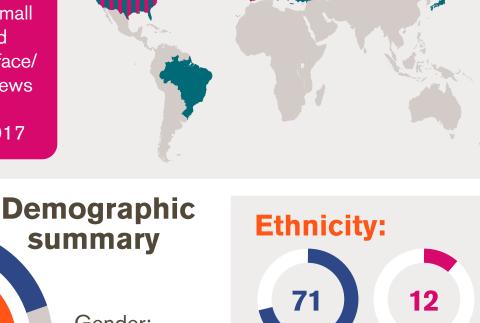
current approaches to management between HCPs and patients involved a total of





#### 22 patients from the US, Italy and Spain. It consisted of a

combination of small focus groups and in-depth face-to-face/ telephone interviews carried out from March – April 2017



#### **311** treating HCPs (89% Rheumatologists

+ some IMs in EU4) from the US, Europe, Japan and Brazil. Research interviews were conducted May - June 2017



setting and only looked at certain aspects of SLE management. As a result, caution should be taken when interpreting these results as they are directional only.

\* Clinical threshold was defined as 7.5mg/day in survey \*\* HCPs defined short term as 5.5 weeks and long term as 13.4 weeks † EnABLE (Exploration iNto Attitudes and Behaviour in the Lupus Experience). Although the study represented a robust sample size overall, some markets have base sizes lower than N=30. In addition, the survey was carried out in an uncontrolled

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