

Initial Data from the DELIVER Trial of DYNE-251 in Males with *DMD* Mutations Amenable to Exon 51 Skipping



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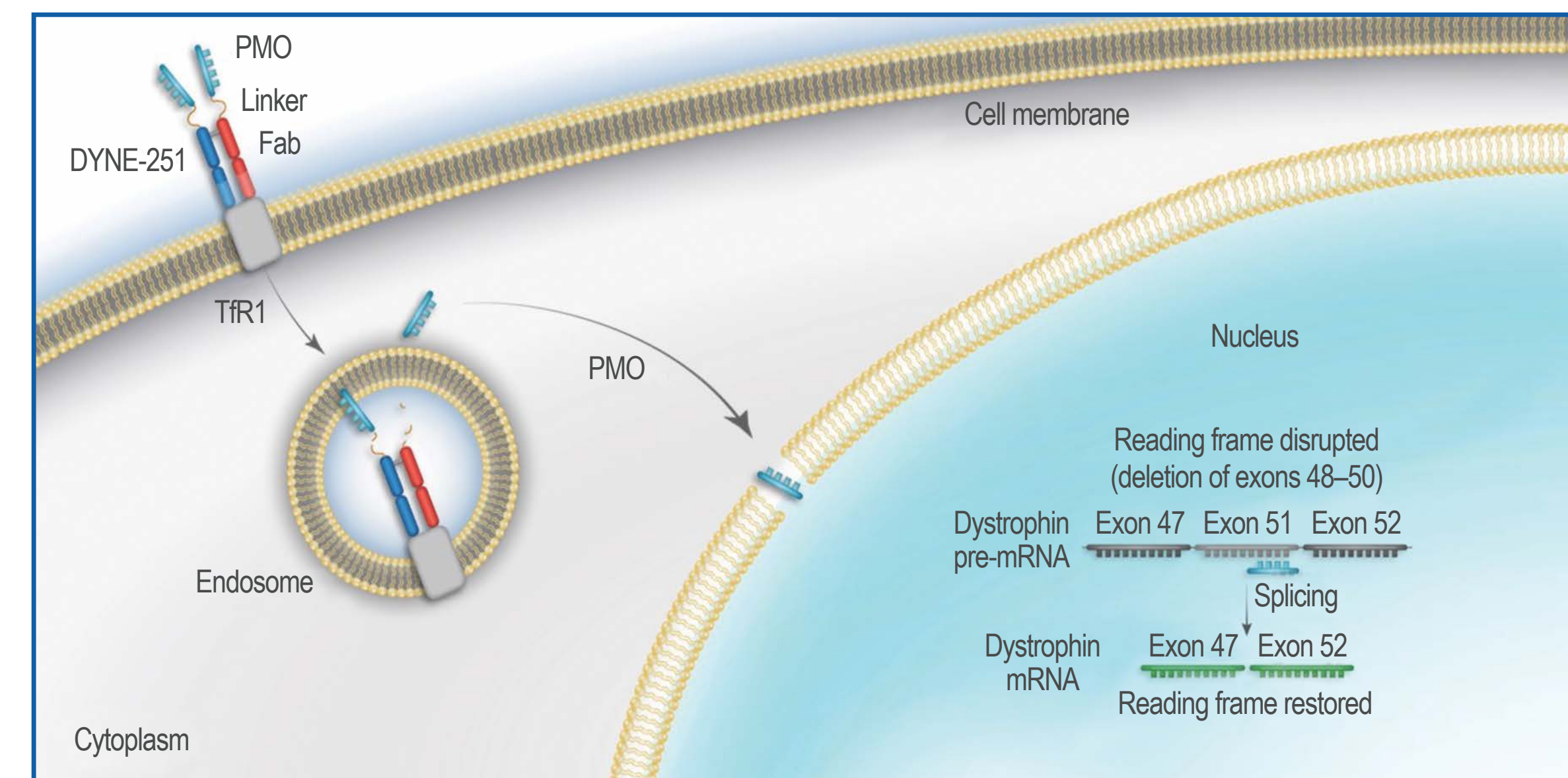


BACKGROUND

- Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is a rare, X-linked, progressive neuromuscular disorder caused by mutations in the *DMD* gene that lead to an absence of functional dystrophin protein¹⁻⁶
- DMD affects 1 in 3,500 to 6,000 newborn boys worldwide^{2,7,8}
- DMD presents with multisystem involvement and progressive muscle weakness, which leads to loss of ambulation and early death due to cardiorespiratory failure^{4,9-11}
- Approved phosphorodiamidate morpholino oligomer (PMO) therapies induce exon skipping to restore the *DMD* mRNA reading frame, which leads to the production of truncated, functional dystrophin, but their potential is limited by poor delivery to muscle¹²⁻¹⁶
 - Weekly dosing with eteplirsen, the standard of care for the population amenable to exon 51 skipping, results in 0.3% dystrophin in muscle at 6 months^{12,a}
- DYNE-251 is an investigational therapeutic for DMD. It consists of an exon 51 skipping PMO conjugated to a transferrin receptor 1 (TfR1)-targeting antibody fragment (Fab) to deliver increased levels of PMO to muscles (Figure 1)
- The objective of the Phase 1/2 DELIVER trial (NCT05524883) is to determine the safety, tolerability, and efficacy of DYNE-251 in ambulant and non-ambulant males aged 4 to 16 years with *DMD* mutations amenable to exon 51 skipping

^aNo head-to-head trials have been conducted comparing DYNE-251 with eteplirsen. Eteplirsen data may not be directly comparable due to differences in trial protocols, dosing regimens, and patient populations. Accordingly, cross-trial comparisons may not be reliable.

Figure 1. DYNE-251 leverages TfR1 to deliver an exon 51 skipping PMO to affected muscle in DMD

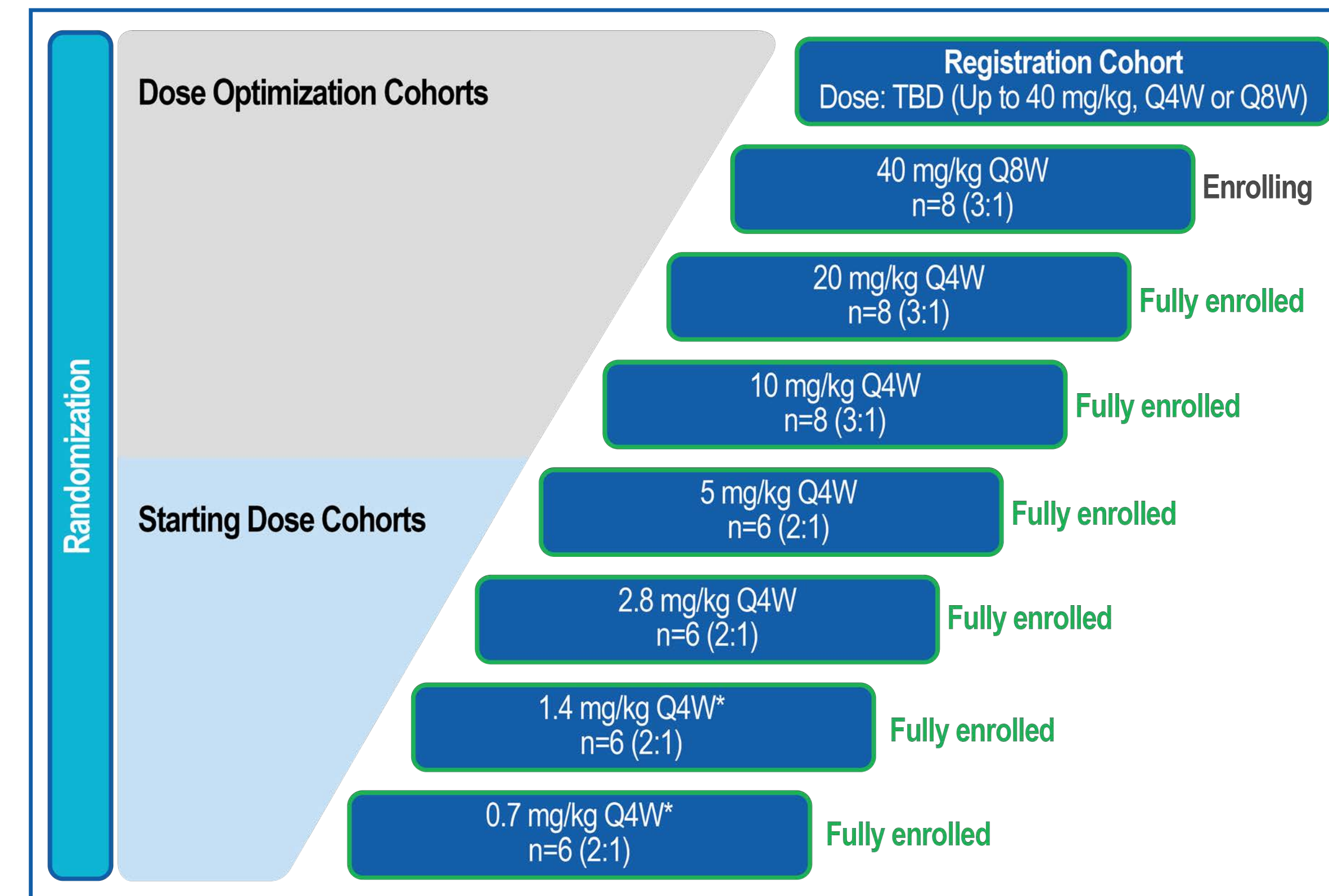


DMD, Duchenne muscular dystrophy; Fab, antigen-binding fragment; PMO, phosphorodiamidate morpholino oligomer; TfR1, transferrin receptor 1. Note: This figure shows the intended mechanism of action of DYNE-251.

METHODS

- The DELIVER trial is a Phase 1/2, global, randomized, placebo-controlled study of DYNE-251
- The trial includes three stages, multiple ascending dose (MAD, 24 weeks), open-label extension (OLE, 24 weeks), and long-term extension (LTE, 96 weeks)
 - In the MAD portion of DELIVER, patients are randomized to receive intravenous administrations of DYNE-251 or placebo once every 4 weeks (Q4W) or once every 8 weeks (Q8W) for 6 months across seven PMO dose levels up to 40 mg/kg
 - Muscle biopsies are conducted at baseline and 6 months in the 2.8- to 20-mg/kg cohorts. In the 40-mg/kg cohort, muscle biopsies are conducted at baseline and 12 months
 - Patients in MAD escalate to highest tolerable dose in the OLE and LTE portions of the study
 - The primary endpoints are the change from baseline in dystrophin protein levels by Western Blot at 6 months and the number of patients reporting treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) through study completion
 - Key secondary endpoints include the pharmacokinetics of DYNE-251 and changes from baseline in exon 51 skipping levels, muscle tissue percent dystrophin-positive fibers (PDPF), and muscle function assessments including North Star Ambulatory Assessment (NSAA) score and timed functional tests
- Presented here are analyses of exon skipping and dystrophin data from the 5-mg/kg cohort, in which four patients received DYNE-251 and two received placebo
 - Safety and tolerability were based on 37 patients enrolled through the 20-mg/kg cohort as of the December 6, 2023, data cutoff date

Figure 2. Design of the MAD portion of the DELIVER trial



*Muscle biopsies taken at baseline and 24 weeks in 2.8-mg/kg Q4W cohort to 20-mg/kg Q4W cohort; muscle biopsies taken at baseline and 48 weeks in 40-mg/kg Q8W cohort; biopsies not taken in 0.7-mg/kg and 1.4-mg/kg cohorts. Q4W, once every 4 weeks; Q8W, once every 8 weeks.

RESULTS

Table 1. Baseline characteristics

	Cohort 1 0.7 mg/kg (n=6)	Cohort 2 1.4 mg/kg (n=6)	Cohort 3 2.8 mg/kg (n=6)	Cohort 4 5 mg/kg (n=6)
Age (years), mean (SD)	10.8 (2.2)	7.8 (3.3)	10.7 (2.9)	8.3 (2.8)
BMI (kg/m ²), mean (SD)	19.5 (3.4)	18.6 (2.3)	22.2 (6.3)	20.9 (1.6)
Age of symptom onset (years), mean (SD)	3.7 (1.8)	4.5 (2.1)	2.8 (1.8)	3.7 (3.1)
Corticosteroid dosing regimen, n (%)				
Daily	4 (66.7)	4 (66.7)	5 (83.3)	6 (100.0)
Other	2 (33.3)	3 (50.0)	1 (16.7)	0
Prior DMD therapy, n (%)				
Eteplirsen	4 (66.7)	2 (33.3)	5 (83.3)	1 (16.7)
Other	2 (33.3)	1 (16.7)	0	0

^aHistorical corticosteroid regimen based on medical history; a patient can be counted in multiple categories. Note: Data as of December 6, 2023.

Table 2. Summary of TEAEs during the placebo-controlled period of DELIVER

TEAE Category	Patients with ≥1 TEAE, n (%)						
	0.7 mg/kg Q4W (n=6)	1.4 mg/kg Q4W (n=6)	2.8 mg/kg Q4W (n=6)	5 mg/kg Q4W (n=6)	10 mg/kg Q4W (n=8)	20 mg/kg Q4W (n=5)	Overall (N=37)
Any TEAE	4 (67)	6 (100)	3 (50)	4 (67)	6 (75)	1 (20)	24 (65)
Any related TEAE	1 (17)	2 (33)	0	3 (50)	1 (13)	0	7 (19)
Any serious TEAE	0	0	0	0	0	1 (20)	1 (3)
Any serious related TEAE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Any TEAE leading to withdrawal of study drug	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Any TEAE leading to death	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

^aAll cohorts combined. Note: Data as of December 6, 2023. Q4W, once every 4 weeks; Q8W, once every 8 weeks; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

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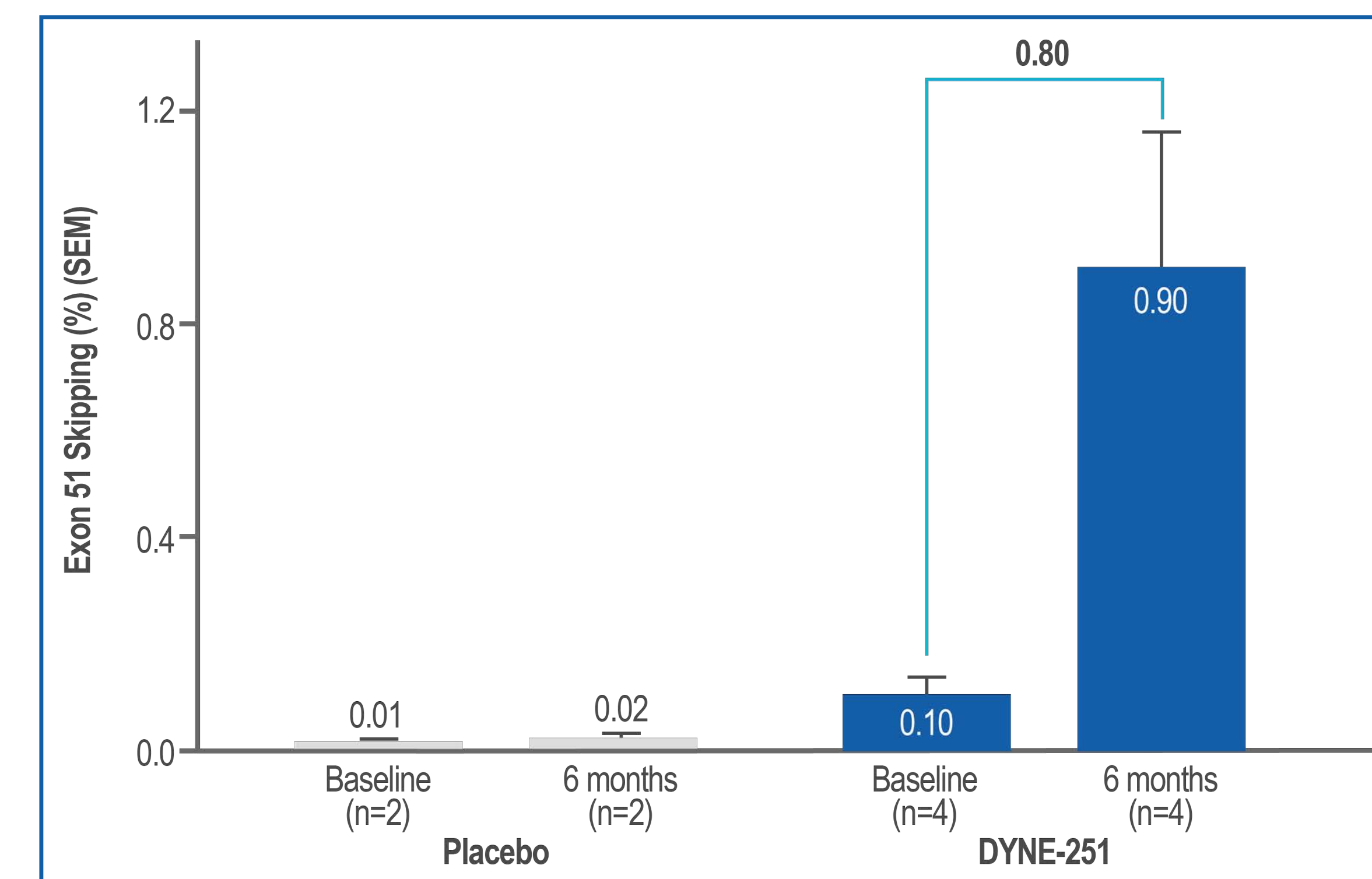
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- The most common TEAEs (≥10% patient incidence)^b were headache and nasopharyngitis (16% each), vomiting (14%), and infusion-related reaction,^c fall, and cough (11% each)
- There was one serious TEAE unrelated to the study drug (dehydration due to gastroenteritis)
- No patients have demonstrated anemia or thrombocytopenia^d
- No patients have demonstrated kidney injury^e
- No patients have demonstrated clinically meaningful changes in electrolytes, including magnesium

^aData as of December 6, 2023. ^bAll cohorts combined. ^cAll infusion-related reactions have been mild or moderate in intensity, dosing has continued in all patients. ^dTreatment-emergent hemoglobin or platelet count persistently below lower limit of normal or reported adverse event. ^eTreatment-emergent and persistently abnormal renal parameters or reported adverse event.

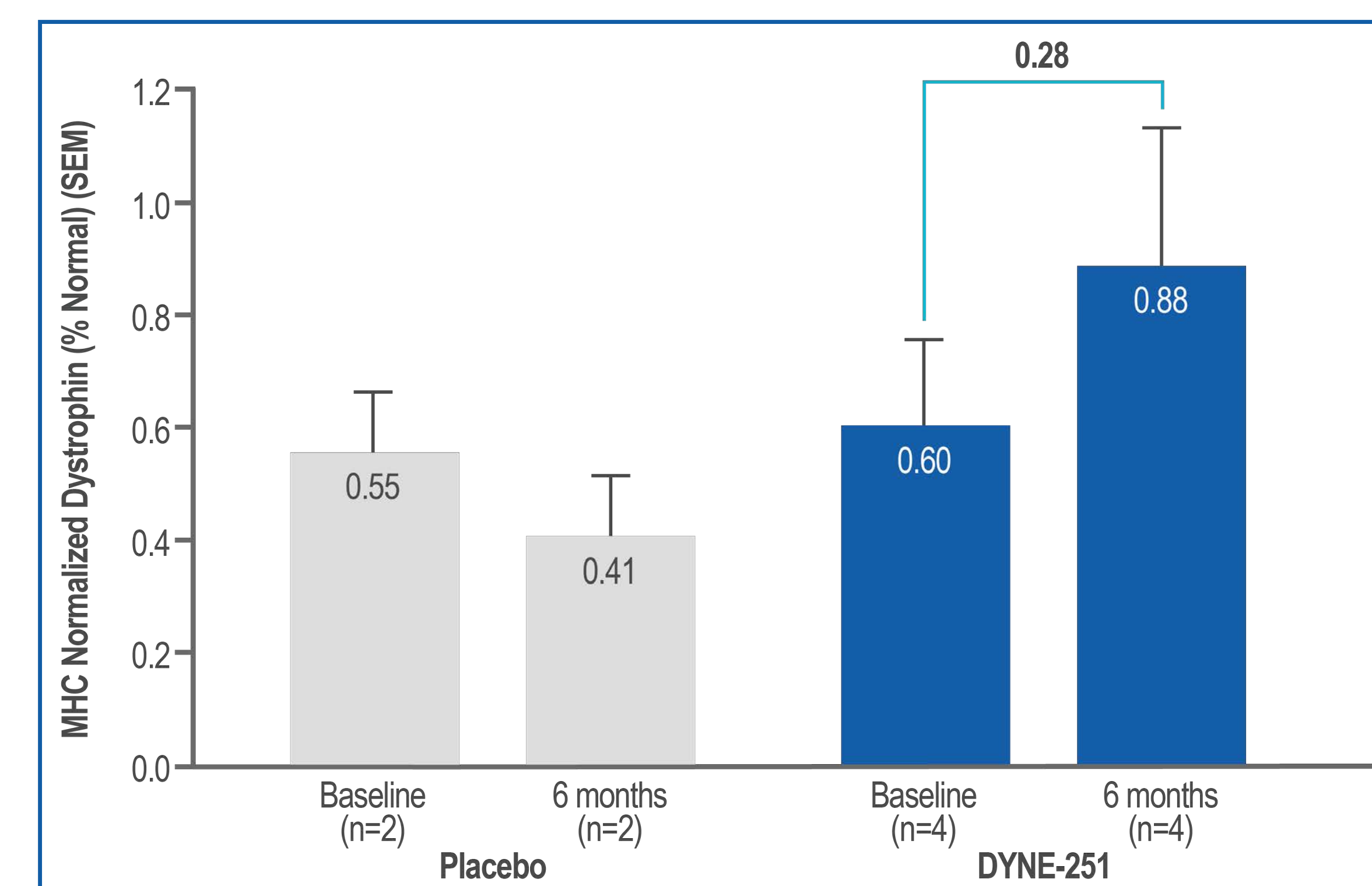
Figure 3. DYNE-251 administered monthly showed an increase in percent exon skipping at 6 months



Note: Biopsy taken approximately 28 days after most recent dose. SEM, standard error of the mean.

- At 6 months, 5 mg/kg DYNE-251 showed a mean PMO concentration of 657 ng/g in muscle and a mean absolute exon skipping level of 0.90% (0.80% difference from baseline) (Figure 3)

Figure 4. DYNE-251 administered monthly showed an increase in percent dystrophin at 6 months



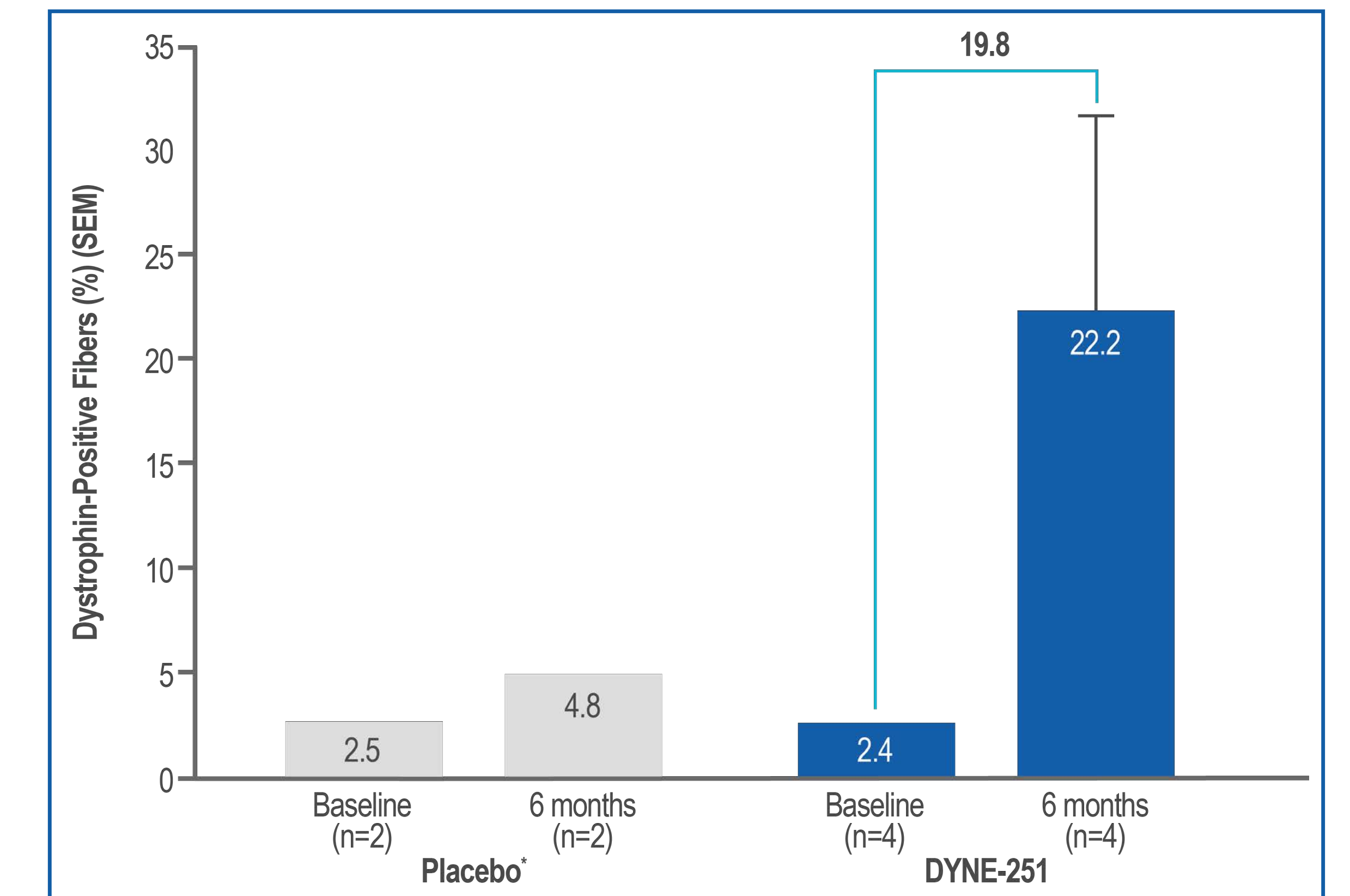
Note: Biopsy taken approximately 28 days after most recent dose. MHC, myosin heavy chain; SEM, standard error of the mean.

- Mean absolute dystrophin level, measured by Western blot, increased from 0.60% at baseline to 0.88% of normal at 6 months (Figure 4), and the mean level of PDPF increased from 2.4% at baseline to 22.2% at 6 months (Figures 5, 6)

DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

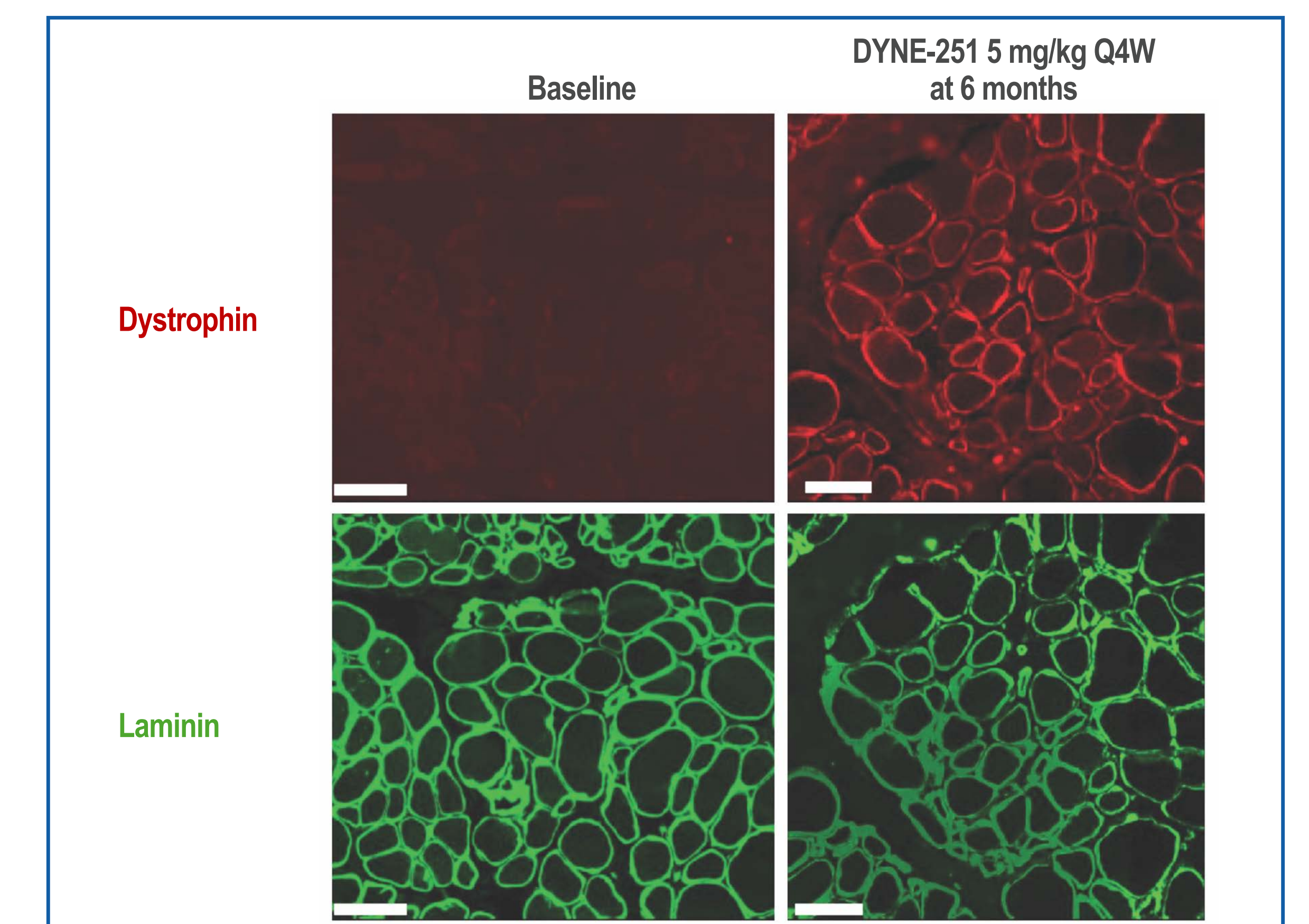
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Figure 5. DYNE-251 administered monthly showed an increase in PDPF at 6 months



^aPDPF data not available for one patient from the placebo group. Note: Biopsy taken approximately 28 days after most recent dose. PDPF, percent dystrophin-positive fibers; SEM, standard error of the mean.

Figure 6. PDPF: Clear improvement in dystrophin localization to sarcolemma



Note: DELIVER biopsy taken approximately 28 days after most recent dose. Scale bar is 100 μm. PDPF, percent dystrophin-positive fibers; Q4W, once every 4 weeks.

CONCLUSIONS

- DYNE-251 consists of an exon 51 skipping PMO conjugated to a TfR1-targeting Fab designed to deliver increased levels of PMO to muscles. DYNE-251 leverages TfR1 biology to enable receptor-mediated muscle delivery
- DELIVER is a Phase 1/2, ongoing, randomized, placebo-controlled, global trial of DYNE-251 in ambulant and non-ambulant male patients with *DMD* mutations amenable to exon 51 skipping therapy. The trial is fully enrolled through the 20-mg/kg cohort and has a favorable safety profile that has supported dosing up to 40 mg/kg
- The safety profile of DYNE-251 is favorable to date,^a with the majority of TEAEs reported as mild or moderate
- In patients treated with 5 mg/kg (PMO equivalent) DYNE-251, initial data show levels of exon skipping, dystrophin, and PDPF increased at 6 months compared with baseline
- These initial data support the continued clinical development of DYNE-251 for the treatment of *DMD*

^aData as of December 6, 2023.

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