

### Attrition of patients from the study (total number n=152 patients)

Weeks from start of study	Number of patients remaining in study	Number of “dropouts” since previous visit	Reasons for “dropping out”
<b>0</b>	152		
<b>6</b>	148	4	N=3 abdominal complaints N=1 AE not related to the study medication
<b>12</b>	137	11	N=7 because of pain N=2 because of abdominal complaints N=1 being pain-free N=1 did not want to continue
<b>18</b>	118	19	N=11 because of pain N=5 did not want to continue N=2 due to hip surgery N=1 being pain-free
<b>24</b>	102	16	N=10 because of pain N=2 did not want to continue N=2 because of abdominal complaints N=2 being pain-free
<b>30</b>	96	6	N=5 because of pain N=1 did not want to continue
<b>36</b>	86	10	N=4 because of pain N=2 did not want to continue N=3 AE not related to the study medication N=1 being pain-free
<b>42</b>	83	3	N=1 because of pain N=1 being pain-free N=1 AE not related to the study medication
<b>48</b>	80	3	N=3 because of pain
<b>54</b>	77	3	N=1 because of pain N=1 being pain-free N=1 did not want to continue