# Irritable Bowel Syndrome Working Group

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# Background

#### Rationale for Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) Working Group (WG)

- IBS is one of the most commonly diagnosed GI disorders
- IBS lacks a standard and fit for purpose PRO instrument for measuring important patientexperienced signs and symptoms of IBS
- PRO Consortium member representatives and FDA advisors identified IBS as a priority area for the development of a PRO instrument

#### Goal of the IBS WG

To develop three PRO measures for patient-reported symptoms in IBS with constipation (IBS-C), IBS with diarrhea (IBS-D), and IBS with mixed symptoms (IBS-M) for use in clinical trials as a primary endpoint to establish treatment benefit

#### **Targeted Labeling Language**

- Product X is indicated in adults for the treatment of symptoms associated with irritable bowel syndrome [with constipation (IBS-C), with diarrhea (IBS-D), or mixed (IBS-M)]
- Product X improved abdominal symptoms (as measured by the abdominal symptom severity subscale) and bowel movement-related symptoms (as measured by an appropriate BM-related symptom subscale).

Note: This indication would be supported by an improvement in both abdominal symptoms and bowel movement-related symptoms

### Milestones

Milestone	Expected Date	Completed Date		
Content Validity Stage				
Vendor selection and contracting		10/29/2010		
Complete background research (literature review and Expert Panel Meeting)		02/22/2011		
Draft Instrument: Complete initial qualitative research and generate items (concept elicitation interviews, item generation, expert panel input, and two rounds of cognitive interviews)		09/09/2011		
Submit Qualitative Research Summary Interim Briefing Document to FDA for review and feedback		09/26/2013		
Received comments from FDA		12/6/2013		
Teleconference with FDA		12/11/2013		
Refine initial instrument (final cognitive interviews on demo ePRO device)		2/21/2014		
Complete qualitative research phase; submit briefing package to FDA (final Cognitive Interview Report and updated Briefing Document)		8/15/2014		
Complete documentation of content validity via quantitative evaluation of item functioning	Q42016			
Submit exploratory endpoint qualification briefing document to FDA	1Q2017			

### **Content of Interest**

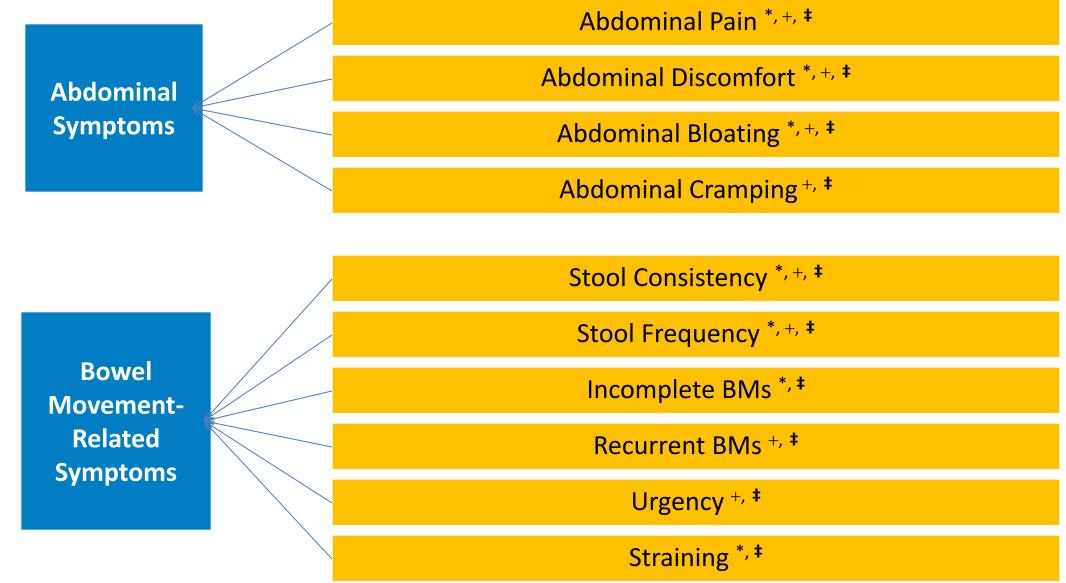
**Endpoint Model for Treatment of IBS (Example provided for IBS-M)** 

Endpoint Hierarchy	Endpoint Concept(s)	<b>Endpoint Type</b>
Primary	Overall response (TBD) indicating improvement in IBS-M symptom severity	PRO
	•Improvement in abdominal symptoms (abdominal pain, discomfort, bloating, cramping)	
	•Improvement in selected BM-related symptoms (stool consistency, stool frequency, incomplete BMs, straining, recurrent BMs, urgency)	

#### Target Population

- US-based adult patients (18 years and older; males and non-pregnant females)
- Diagnosis of IBS of three main subtypes based on Rome III criteria (i.e., IBS-C, IBS-M, and IBS-D)
- Patients without known or suspected organic disorder (e.g., Crohn's disease) that would better explain symptoms
- Patients not concomitantly using medications known to affect GI mobility, constipation, or other IBS symptoms

#### **Hypothesized Conceptual Framework**



Bowel movement-related symptoms pertain to the following subtypes: \* IBS-C; + IBS-D; ‡ IBS-M

# **Updates**

- Conceptual framework confirmed by qualitative research
- Final Qualitative Research Summary Briefing Document for three PRO instruments (IBS-C, IBS-D, and IBS-M) submitted to FDA on August 15, 2014
- Received FDA agreement to advance instruments to quantitative evaluation on December 4, 2014
- Quantitative pilot study proposal finalized and contracts executed

# **Working Group Plans**

#### **Next Steps**

- Develop preliminary scoring algorithm and protocol for quantitative evaluation of scale and item functioning
- Quantitative pilot study protocol to be submitted to FDA for review 3Q2015

#### **Dissemination Plan**

Qualitative research phase manuscript under development for submission to Value in Health

## **Topics for Discussion**

#### **Unique Issues for the Working Group and Their Resolution**

- Continued evaluation during upcoming quantitative pilot study needed to consider potential item reduction around abdominal pain and discomfort
- Continued evaluation of how the Bristol Stool Form Scale (BSFS) may (or may not) translate across languages and cultures
- Ensure representation of patients who are 18 to 21 years of age in quantitative pilot study
- Evaluate whether there are different symptom experiences by gender, age and race

#### **Lessons learned**

 Important to consider and develop hypothesized preliminary scoring algorithm prior to quantitative phase

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