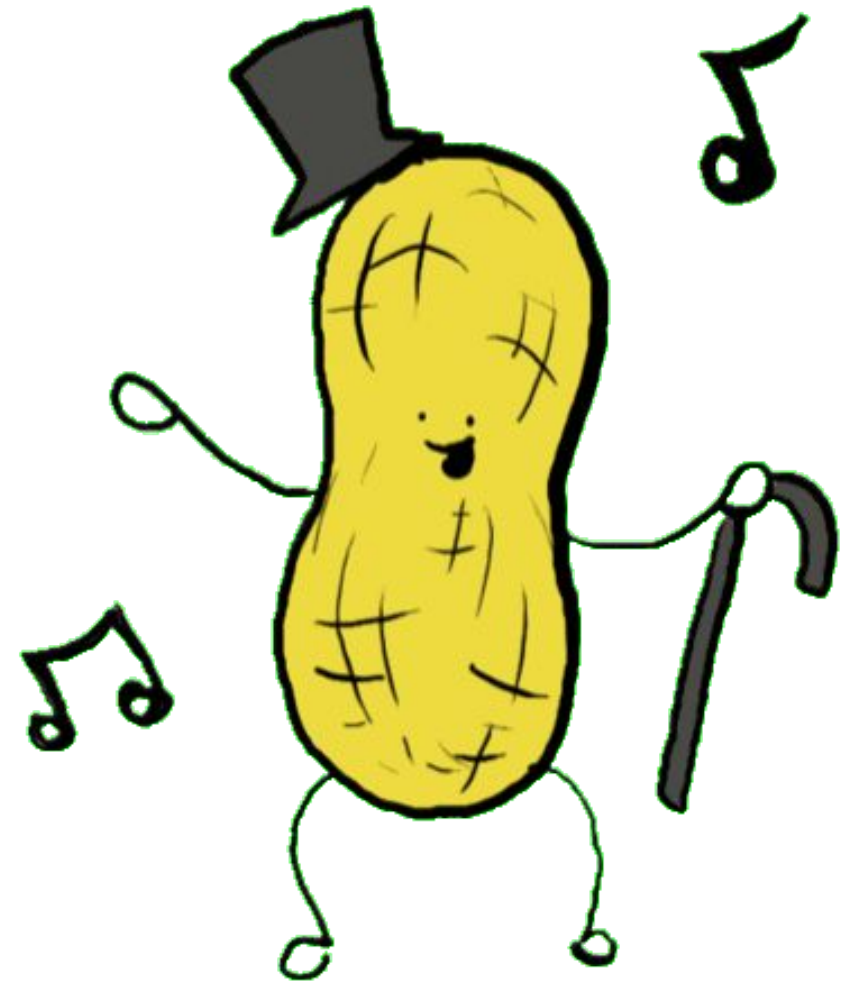


# TREATING PEANUT ALLERGY WITH SLIT



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## Background

- ✓ General information about peanut allergy
- ✓ What is SLIT?

## Challenge

- ✓ Extended course of SLIT after 1-year SLIT

## Solution

- ✓ 1-year SLIT
- ✓ 5-year SLIT
- ✓ Final assessment DBPCFC

## Results

- ✓ DBPCFC results
- ✓ Side effects of SLIT

## Evaluation

## Q&A

The percentage of children with peanut allergies is

**3%**

in Western countries

(Du Toit et al., 2015).





**PEANUT ALLERGY IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF  
ANAPHYLAXIS AND DEATH DUE TO FOOD  
ALLERGY**

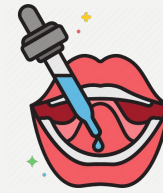
**(DU TOIT ET AL., 2015).**

# SUBLINGUAL IMMUNOTHERAPY

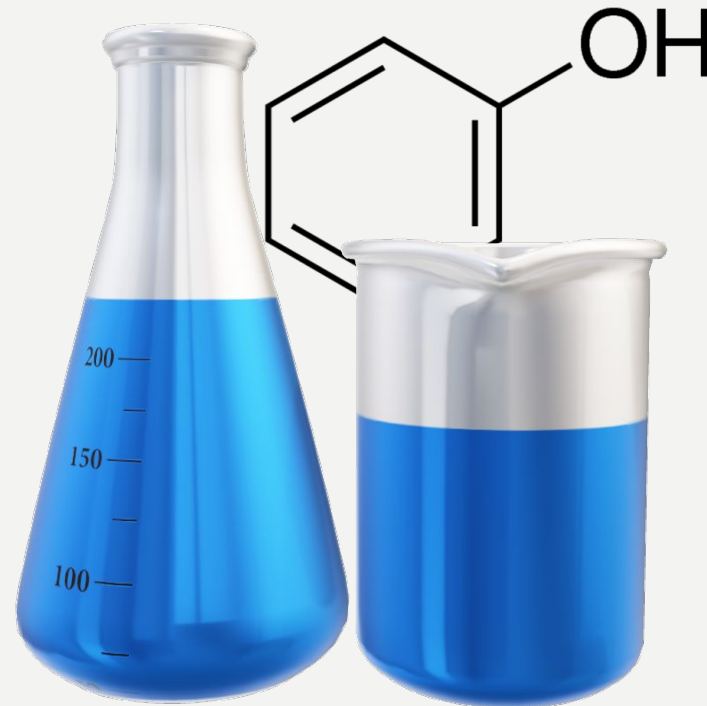


Repeated procedure of absorption of increasing allergen doses underneath the tongue to build the immune system's tolerance to the allergen extract (Orgel et al., 2018).

# SUBLINGUAL DROPS



consisted of **peanut extract** fully dissolved in



0.2% phenol and 50%-55% glycerinated saline

(Kim et al., 2011).

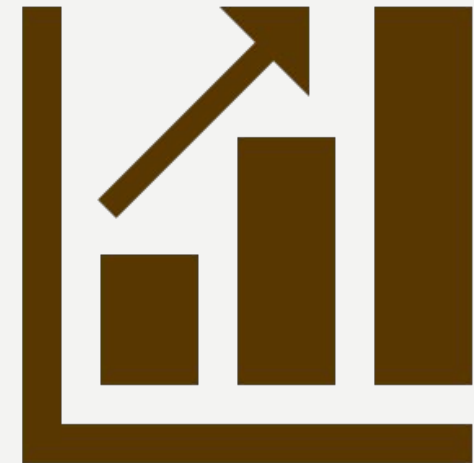
# 1-YEAR SLIT OUTCOMES:

✓ Clinical desensitization

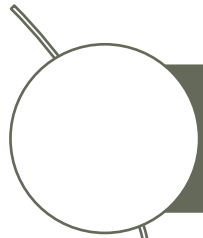
**Extended SLIT is required to assess :**

- Higher level of clinical desensitization
- Long-term clinical tolerance – sustained unresponsiveness (SU)

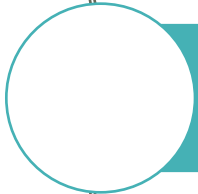
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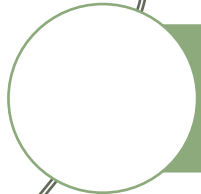
# TREATMENT PLAN



**1. 1-year SLIT**



**2. 5-year SLIT**

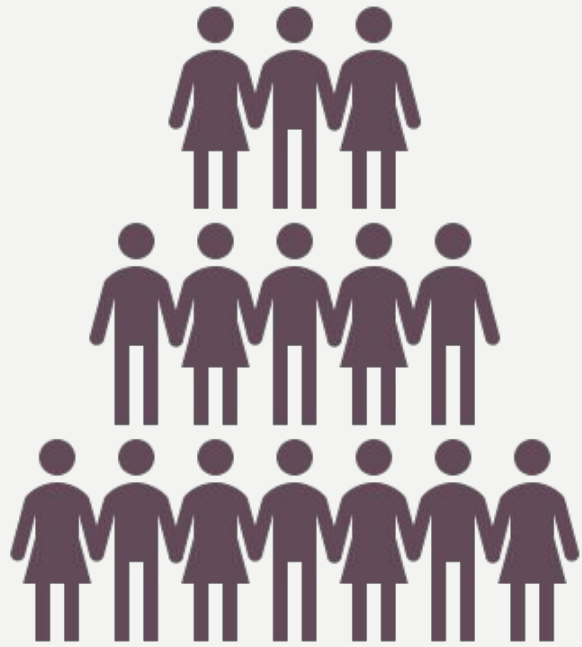


**3. DBPCFC assessment**

(Kim et al., 2019).

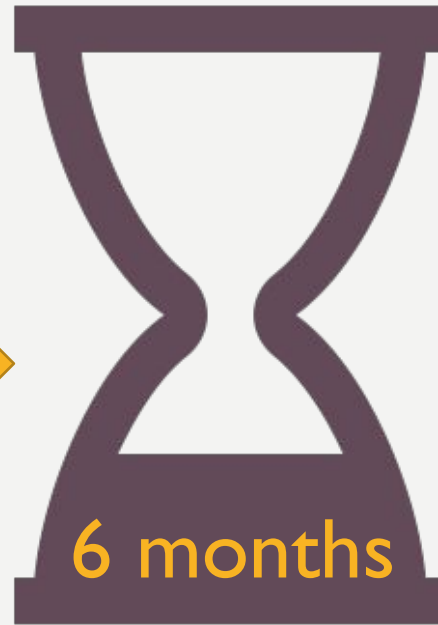
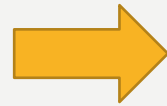


# 1-YEAR SLIT

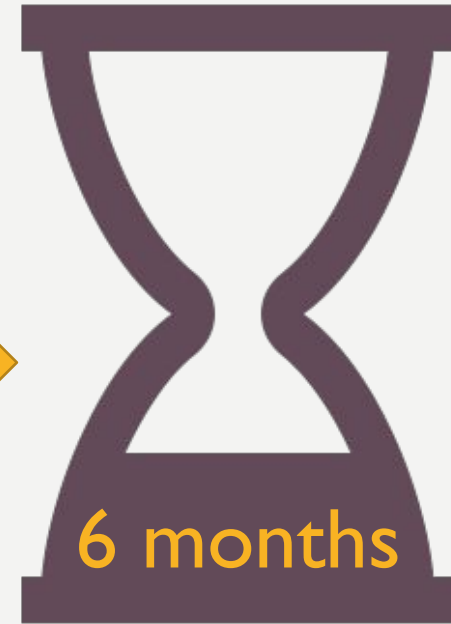


**48** participants

age of I to II years  
(Kim et al., 2019).

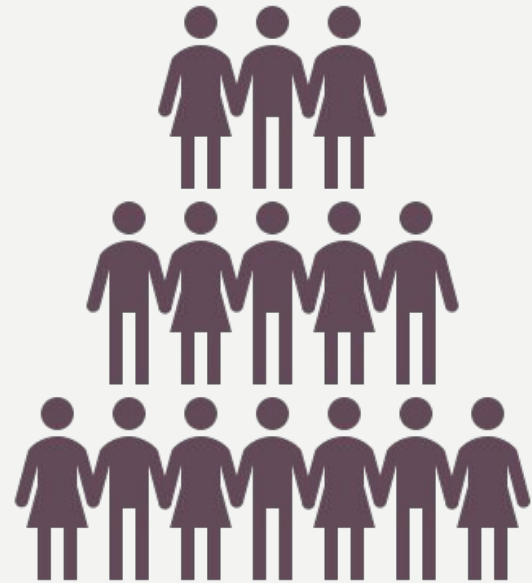


doses were biweekly  
increased  
from 0.25 $\mu$ g to 2000 $\mu$ g  
(ibid).



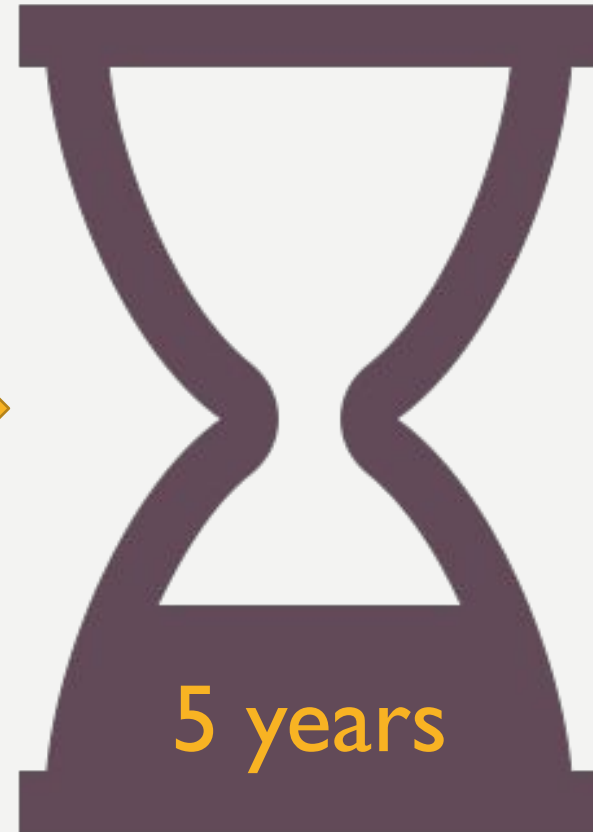
2000 $\mu$ g daily  
maintenance  
dose of peanut protein  
(ibid).

# EXTENDED SLIT (5 YEARS)



45 participants

(3 withdrew)  
(Kim et al., 2019).



2000 $\mu$ g daily maintenance  
dose of peanut protein  
(ibid).

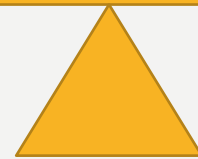
# FINAL ASSESSMENT : DBPCFC

## DOUBLE-BLIND, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED FOOD CHALLENGE

(Kim et al., 2019).



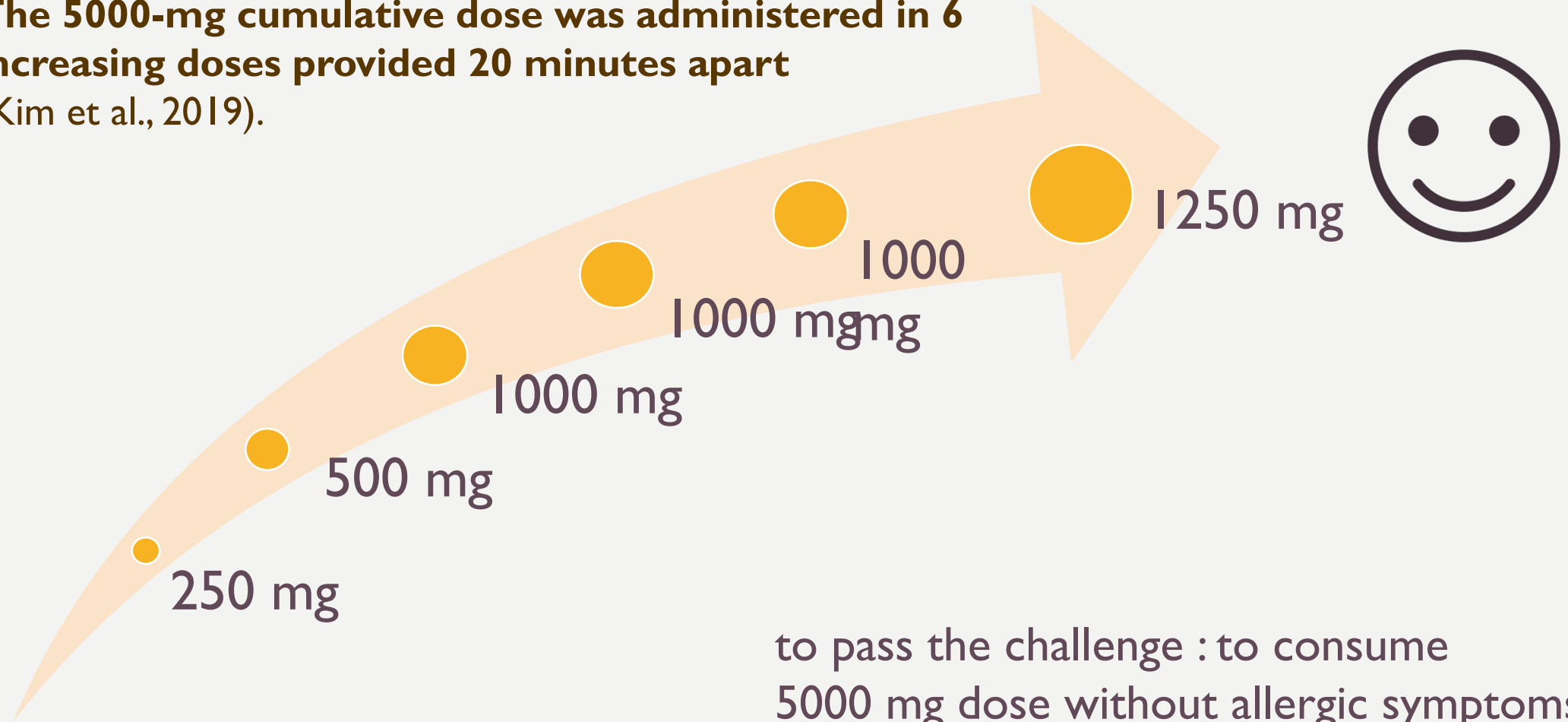
5000 mg of peanut protein  
(ibid).



16-20 peanut kernels  
(ibid).

# DBPCFC

The 5000-mg cumulative dose was administered in 6 increasing doses provided 20 minutes apart (Kim et al., 2019).

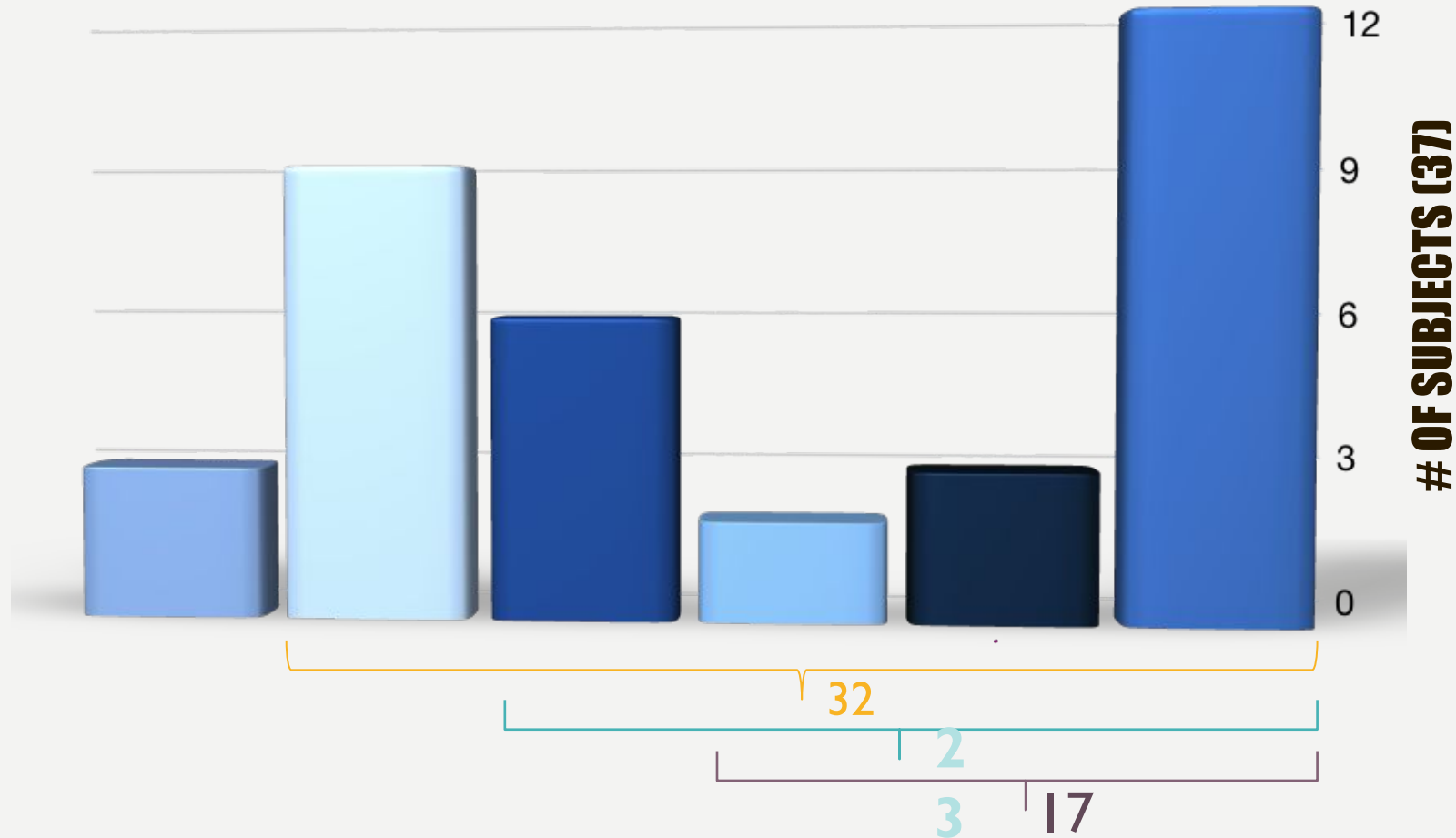


to pass the challenge : to consume 5000 mg dose without allergic symptoms (ibid).

# Maximum value of DBPCFC total dose for each of 37 subjects

■ 250 ■ 750 ■ 1750 ■ 2750 ■ 3750 ■ 5000

**CUMULATIVE TOLERATED DOSE (MG)**





12 subjects passed 5000-mg  
DBPCFC



Discontinued SLIT for  
2-4 weeks



10 subjects again passed the  
DBPCFC, demonstrating SU

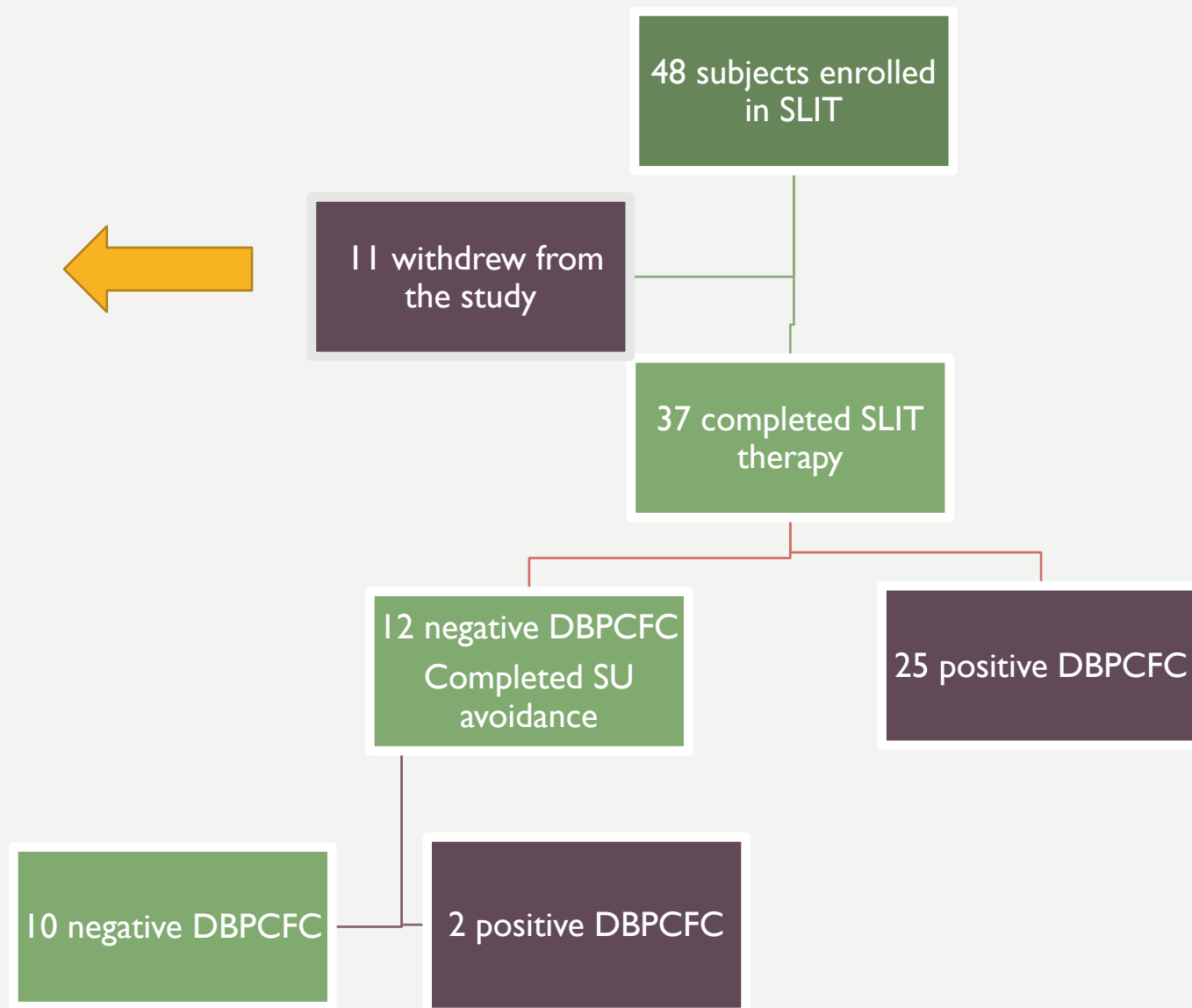
## **SUSTAINED UNRESPONSIVENESS (SU)**

(Kim et al., 2019).

# PARTICIPANT ALLOCATION THROUGHOUT THE TRIAL

(Kim et al., 2019, p. 3, FIG 1).

11 withdrew from the study	
1	Before SLIT dosing
1	Poor compliance
2	Recurrent abdominal pain
6	Voluntary
1	Lost to followup



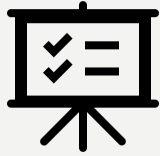
# SLIT SIDE EFFECTS

(Kim et al., 2019 , p. 4, TABLE II).

	<b>Peanut SLIT (n = 48)</b>
Total dosing days	78,915
Missed doses	3,549 (4.5%)
Total doses taken	75,366 (95.5%)
<b>Dosing symptoms</b>	<b>3,599 (4.8%) ←</b>
• Local	
• Oropharyngeal pruritus	2699 (3.6%) ←
• Lip swelling	115 (0.2%)
• Skin	387 (0.5%)
• Upper respiratory tract	75 (0.1%)
• Lower respiratory tract	69 (0.1%)
• Gastrointestinal	
• Belly pain	225 (0.3%)
• Vomiting	20 (0.03%)
• Diarrhea	5 (0.01%)
Treatment administered	
Antihistamine	158 (0.2%)
Epinephrine	0



# EVALUATION



(Kim et al., 2019).

- ✓ effectiveness and safety of desensitization
- ✓ possible sustained unresponsiveness (SU)
- stability pattern of the post-SLIT desensitization effect
- biological markers instead of DBPCFC

**ANY QUESTIONS?**

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