

## **Getting to the Root of the Itch: Questions From the Field Additional Resources**

### **Efficacy of difelikefalin for the treatment of moderate to severe pruritus in hemodialysis patients: pooled analysis of KALM-1 and KALM-2 phase 3 studies**

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