Safety, Tolerability, and Pharmacokinetics of an Intra-articular Corticosteroid Injection Administered 7 Days Before or After Intra-articular Lorecivivint Injection into the Same Knee of Healthy Volunteers: An Open-Label, Parallel-Arm Study

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Background

- First-line treatments for knee OA include intra-articular (IA) corticosteroid injections.
- Lorecivivint (LOR) is a novel IA CLK/DYRK inhibitor that modulates Wnt and inflammatory pathways.
- A single LOR (0.07 mg) injection appeared safe and effective in a knee OA clinical trial target population up to 12 months.¹⁻³
- No safety data exists regarding IA corticosteroid use in close time proximity to LOR.
 - LOR trials excluded IA corticosteroid use from 8-12 wks prior.
 - In practice LOR and corticosteroids could potentially be administered contemporaneously.
- This open-label, parallel-arm, healthy subject study assessed the potential for safety, tolerability, and pharmacokinetic (PK) interactions between LOR [0.07 mg] and triamcinolone acetonide (TCA) injections administered 7 days apart.

Methods

- Healthy subjects randomized to 1 of 2 treatment arms (TA) for right knee injection:
 - -TA1 (TCA [40 mg] Day 1, LOR [0.07 mg] Day 8)
 - $_{\odot}\,$ Plasma TCA assessed multiple times Days 1-15
 - Plasma LOR assessed on Day 8 (before and 8h after LOR injection)
 - TA2 (LOR [0.07 mg] Day 1, TCA [40 mg] Day 8)

Plasma LOR assessed multiple times Days 1-12

- $_{\odot}\,$ Plasma TCA assessed multiple times Day 8 (before and 12 h after TCA dosing) to Day 22
- TEAEs grouped by "Epoch" injection-based subdivisions of the study timeline
 - Epoch 1 spanned from 1st to 2nd injection (Day 1 Day 8)
 - Epoch 2 spanned from 2nd injection to end of study (Day 8 EOS)

Results: Subject Characteristics

- 67 subjects screened, 41 enrolled and randomized
- N=40 subjects treated and completed (n=20 per TA)
 - $-Age 41.3 \pm 7.2$ years
 - BMI 27.8 ± 2.98 kg/m²
 - Female 40.0%
 - Majority white (80%) and Hispanic/Latino (100%)
- Subject characteristics similar between TA1 and TA2

Results: Safety

- 18 TEAEs in 11 (27.5%) subjects
 - More TEAEs in TA1 Epoch 2 (TCA+LOR) but most appeared unrelated to the TCA/LOR combo
 - Incidence of related TEAEs and related TEAEs at injected knee were similar between TAs.
- 5 TEAEs in 4 (10%) subjects deemed "related/possibly related" to LOR injection*
 All mild severity headache or injection site pain/bruising

11003/Severe ILALS	Treatment Arm 1		Treatment Arm 2	
Subdivision of study timeline (Period)	Period 1 (TCA—LOR)	Period 2 (LOR—EOS)	Period 1 (LOR—TCA)	Period 2 (TCA—EOS)
TEAEs [Events/N (%) subjects]	5 / 4 (20%)	8 / 3 (15%)	2 / 2 (10%)	3 / 3 (15%)
Inj. Site Bruising	4 / 4 (20%)	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	2 / 2 (10%)
Inj. Site Pain	0 / 0	2 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0/0
Back Pain	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0 / 0	0/0
Flank Pain	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0/0
Musculoskeletal Discomfort	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0/0
Extremity Pain	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0/0
Headache	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0
Hypersensitivity	0 / 0	0 / 0	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)
Skin Abrasion	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0/0
Adnexa Uteri Pain	0 / 0	1 / 1 (5%)	0 / 0	0/0

• No serious/severe TEAEs

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*Investigator assessment of TCA injection-related TEAEs was not captured 7

Results: Plasma Concentrations (PK) of LOR and TCA

• Plasma [LOR] below limit of quantification (0.1 ng/ml) in all subjects, at all time points



No statistically significant differences in geometric mean [TCA] between arms

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Discussion and Conclusions

- No safety signals observed in this healthy subject study.
- No quantifiable levels of LOR was detected in plasma in either treatment arm.
- LOR injection did not appear to alter peak exposure or PK characteristics of TCA when compared with TCA alone.
- Safety and PK data suggested no drug-drug interactions between LOR and TCA.
- IA administration of LOR and TCA within 1 week of each other appeared to pose no safety concerns.

Thank you

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