Single Doses of Long-Acting Capsid Inhibitor GS-6207 Administered by Subcutaneous Injection Are Safe and Efficacious in People Living With HIV

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Introduction

- GS-6207 is a novel, first-in-class inhibitor of HIV-1 capsid (CA) function suited for long-acting subcutaneous (SC) regimens
- GS-6207 can meet significant unmet medical needs for:
 Antiretrovirals (ARVs) with a novel mechanism of action
- Heavily treatment-experienced people living with multidrugresistant HIV
- ARVs that require less frequent dosing (ie, long-acting treatment) to reduce daily pill burden
- Highly desirable in vitro profile of GS-6207 for heavily treatment-experienced people¹
- Similar antiviral activity across all major HIV-1 subtypes
- Unique resistance profile with full activity against nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor-, non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor-, integrase strand transfer inhibitor-, and HIV protease inhibitor-resistant mutants¹
- In a previous clinical study in healthy volunteers without HIV infection, single GS-6207 SC doses ≤450 mg were well tolerated and maintained systemic exposure for >32 wk²
- We now report the antiviral activity and safety of SC GS-6207 in people living with HIV (safety data are currently blinded and are reported by cohort)

GS-6207: First-in-Class HIV Capsid Inhibitor



 Inhibition of multiple CA-dependent functions essential for viral replication

Objectives

- Primary: to assess the antiviral activity of GS-6207 in reducing plasma HIV-1 RNA over 10 days after a single SC dose
- Secondary: to assess the safety and tolerability of GS-6207

Methods



- Phase 1b, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled, dose-ranging study (ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03739866)
- Primary endpoint: maximum reduction of plasma HIV-1 RNA through Day 10
- Secondary endpoint: safety and tolerability of GS-6207
- All participants were required to start bictegravir/emtricitabine/ tenofovir alafenamide (B/F/TAF) on Day 10
- Antiviral activity data were unblinded; safety data remain blinded given that GS-6207 is expected to be detectable for >6 months²

Results

Demographics and Baseline Characteristics*

	GS-6207 20 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 50 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 150 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 450 mg or PBO n=8	Total N=32			
Median age, year (Min, Max)	35 (23, 50)	28 (19, 56)	36 (24, 56)	29 (20, 59)	34 (19, 59)			
Female, n (%)	1 (13)	0	1 (13)	0	2 (6)			
Race, n (%)	Race, n (%)							
White	4 (50)	5 (63)	4 (50)	5 (63)	18 (56)			
Black	2 (25)	2 (25)	3 (38)	3 (38)	10 (31)			
Asian	1 (13)	1 (13)	0	0	2 (6)			
Other	1 (13)	0	1 (13)	0	2 (6)			
Median BMI, kg/m² (Min, Max)	25 (21, 38)	25 (21, 28)	26 (20, 34)	25 (23, 29)	25 (20, 38)			
Median HIV-1 RNA, log ₁₀ copies/mL (Q1, Q3)	4.5 (4.1, 4.9)	4.3 (4.2, 4.7)	4.6 (4.3, 4.6)	4.5 (4.4, 4.6)	4.5 (4.3, 4.7)			
Median CD4, cells/mL (Q1, Q3)	472 (395, 542)	594 (459, 662)	388 (309, 581)	430 (260, 611)	458 (361, 594)			
ARV treatment naïve, n (%)	8 (100)	6 (75)	4 (50)	7 (88)	25 (78)			

*Data were pooled from the 6 active and 2 placebo (PBO) participants in each cohort as data are currently blinded. BMI, body mass index; Max, maximum; Min, minimum; Q, quartile.

Duration of Follow-up in Days*							
		GS-6207 20 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 50 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 150 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 450 mg or PBO n=8	Total N=32	
	Mean (SD)	42 (20)	130 (6)	187 (16)	124 (11)	121 (54)	
	Median	38†	129	199	122	129	
	Q1, Q3	28, 56	125, 136	169, 199	115, 136	93, 150	
	Min, Max	17, 73	122, 136	164, 199	113, 136	17, 199	

*Data were pooled from the 6 active and 2 PBO participants in each cohort as data are currently blinded; †Enrollment of GS-6207 20 mg randomized cohort added later in study; thus, the difference in follow-up time. SD, standard deviation.



Antiviral Activity Through Day 10

Maximum Change in HIV-1 RNA From Baseline Log ₁₀ Copies/mL	GS-6207 20 mg n=6	GS-6207 50 mg n=6	GS-6207 150 mg n=6	GS-6207 450 mg n=6	PBO n=8
Mean	-1.4	-1.8	-1.8	-2.2	-0.2
95% CI	-1.7, -1.0	-2.3, -1.3	-2.0, -1.6	-2.7, -1.7	-0.3, -0.1
Median	-1.4	-1.7	-1.8	-2.2	-0.2
Q1, Q3	-1.6, -1.2	-2.3, -1.6	-1.9, -1.6	-2.5, -1.8	-0.3, -0.1
Min, Max	-1.7, -0.8	-2.4, -1.2	-2.1, -1.5	-2.9, -1.6	-0.4, 0.0

 At doses of 20–450 mg, mean GS-6207 concentrations on Day 10 were 0.7–9.9-fold higher than the protein-adjusted, 95% effective concentration for wild-type HIV-1



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Safety Summary: Blinded Data							
	Participants, n (%)	GS-6207 20 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 50 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 150 mg or PBO n=8	GS-6207 450 mg or PBO n=8	Total N=32	
	Any AE	5 (63)	6 (75)	7 (88)	6 (75)	24 (75)	
	Grade 3 or 4 AE	0	0	0	1 (13)	1 (3)	
Adverse	Serious AE	0	0	0	1 (13)	1 (3)	
Events	AE leading to discontinuation	0	0	0	0	0	
	Death	0	0	0	0	0	
Laboratory Abnomalities	Grade 3 or 4	2 (25)	0	3 (38)	1 (13)	6 (19)	

AE, adverse event.

- 1 participant had a Grade 3 serious AE of atrial fibrillation on Day 113 while receiving B/F/TAF, which was not attributed to study medication; recent amphetamine use was reported; all other AEs were Grade 1 or 2 in severity
- The most common AEs were mild-moderate reactions at the injection site (50%; n=16), including pain (41%; n=13) and erythema (28%; n=9), all of which were self-limiting and resolved in a few days
- Grade 3 or 4 laboratory abnormalities in ≥2 participants were exercise-related creatine kinase elevations (n=2)

Conclusions

- Single SC doses of GS-6207 from 20 to 450 mg resulted in potent antiviral activity in people living with HIV
- Mean HIV-1 RNA declines from 1.4 to 2.2 log₁₀ copies/mL over 10 days
- In a blinded safety review, GS-6207 and PBO were generally safe and well tolerated
- The most common AEs were self-limiting mild moderate injection-site reactions
- 1 participant had a serious AE not attributed to study medication
- There were no clinically relevant Grade 3 or 4 laboratory abnormalities
- These results support further evaluation of GS-6207 as a long-acting ARV in people living with HIV, including those who are heavily treatment experienced

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