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REDUCED SUSCEPTIBILITY TO TEMSAVIR IS NOT LINKED TO IBA OR MVC RESISTANCE

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Background and Methods

- Temsavir (TMR), the active agent of the HIV-1 attachment inhibitor fostemsavir (FTR), the CD4-directed inhibitor ibalizumab (IBA), and the CCR5 antagonist maraviroc (MVC) are ARV agents that inhibit different steps in HIV-1 viral entry by targeting key HIV (FTR) or human immune targets (IBA and MVC)
- Although the mechanisms of inhibition of the 3 agents are different, all 3 ARVs exhibit context-dependent effects on susceptibility, so it is important to understand whether there is any overlap in susceptibility patterns
 - Mutations in the *gp120* gene have been associated with reduced susceptibility to these agents (e.g. C3-5, V3, V5 regions)
 - Previously published in vitro data suggest that there is no overlap in profiles for reduced susceptibility¹
 - The current analysis examines clinical specimens derived from participant isolates
- Envelope sequences from samples at screening and protocol-defined virologic failure (PDVF) were assessed from participants in the FTR phase 3 BRIGHTE trial who were co-dosed with IBA or MVC
- Envelopes from select participants in the MOTIVATE trials (MVC registrational trials) who met PDVF criteria were regenerated and assessed for cross-resistance to TMR
- Site-directed mutations were performed on targeted site positions to assess cross-resistance

^{1.} Li et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2013;57:4172-4180.

No Cross-resistance Was Observed in Participants Receiving FTR and IBA in BRIGHTE

- No participants in the Randomized Cohort received IBA as part of their initial OBT
- 15 participants in the Non-randomized Cohort received IBA as part of their initial OBT, and 5 met criteria for PDVF
 - Of the 5 who met PDVF criteria, there were 4 with available PDVF samples; all had decreased susceptibility to IBA, and 3 had decreased susceptibility to TMR
- When polymorphisms associated with the potential for reduced susceptibility to TMR were reverted to wild-type, TMR susceptibility was rescued while no substantial change to IBA susceptibility was observed

Participant	Sample	Туре	TMR gp120 polymorphisms	TMR IC ₅₀ (nM)	IBA IC ₅₀ (nM)	IBA MPI (%)
1	Baseline	Population	S375T	10.89	0.11	100
	Week 108	Population	S375T_M426L	>5000	0.45	72
	Week 108	Clone	S375T_M426L	>2000	2.39	71
	Week 108	SDM clone	None	10.72	2.66	69
2	Baseline	Population	None	0.47	0.15	93
	Week 36	Population	S375H/N_M426M/L	>5000	0.47	74
	Week 36	Clone	S375N_M426L	>2000	1.56	87
	Week 36	SDM clone	None	1.16	1.47	64
3	Baseline	Population	M426M/T	0.89	0.11	64
	Week 36	Population	S375N_M475I	>5000	9.93	62
	Week 36	Clone	S375N_M475I	>2000	>800	25
	Week 36	SDM clone	None	5.61	>800	38

IC₅₀, half-maximal inhibitory concentration; MPI, maximum percent inhibition; SDM, site-directed mutagenesis.

Prior Virologic Failure on MVC Was Not Associated With Decreased Response to FTR at Day 8

- 15/18 (83%) participants with virologic failure on an MVC-containing regimen experienced virologic success at Day 8 of FTR functional monotherapy
 - 8/8 (100%) participants with CCR5-tropic virus had virologic success on FTR at Day 8 with a median 1.1 log₁₀ c/mL decline in HIV-1 RNA
 - 7/10 (70%) participants with dual/mixed- or CXCR4-tropic virus had virologic success on FTR at Day 8 with a median 1.3 log₁₀ c/mL decline in HIV-1 RNA
 - Median TMR IC₅₀ values were similar in CCR5- (1.229 nM, n=225), dual/mixed- (0.787 nM, n=339), and CXCR4-tropic (1.109 nM, n=43) pre-treatment isolates in BRIGHTE, indicating that viral tropism does not appear to influence phenotypic susceptibility to TMR¹

Tropism	Day 8 success*	Change in HIV-1 RNA from Day 1 to Day 8 (log ₁₀ c/mL)	TMR IC ₅₀ at baseline (nM)	Tropism	Day 8 success*	Change in HIV-1 RNA from Day 1 to Day 8 (log ₁₀ c/mL)	TMR IC ₅₀ at baseline (nM)
CCR5	Y	-0.942	6.38	Non-CCR5 (dual/mixed or CXCR4)	Ν	0.048	0.11
	Y	-0 700	1 99		Y	-1.080	0.56
			1.00		Y	-1.248	1.60
	Y	-1.778	0.07		Y	-2.696	0.45
	Y	-0.785	9.27		Y	-1.513	0.25
	Y	-1.921	>5000		Y	-1.387	0.43
	V	-0.753	0.25		Y	-1.336	19.41
		0.755	0.23		Y	-1.311	2.19
	Y	-1.235	0.37		N	-0.434	15.94
	Y	-2.020	19.18		Ν	-0.187	31.36

FC, fold change; $\mbox{IC}_{50},$ half-maximal inhibitory concentration.

*Day 8 success defined as ≥0.5 log₁₀ c/mL change in HIV-1 RNA from Day 1 to Day 8.

Day 8 population excludes participants with baseline HIV-1 RNA <1000 c/mL and/or change from screening to baseline of HIV-1 RNA >0.3 log₁₀ c/mL.

1. Gartland et al. J Antimicrob Chemother. 2020 [Epub ahead of print].

In BRIGHTE Participants Co-dosed With FTR and MVC, Reduced Susceptibility to TMR Is Not Linked to MVC Resistance

• There were 2 participants co-dosed with FTR and MVC who met PDVF criteria

	TMR gp120 polymorphisms					
Participant	Week	Baseline	At PDVF	TMR EC ₅₀ (nM)	MVC EC ₅₀ (nM)	MVC MPI (%)
1	Baseline	M426L	NA	234.1	135.9	88.8
	Baseline	None (SDM)	NA	1.1	169.5	91.1
	Week 48	—	M426L	788.9	89.6	93.5
	Week 48	—	None (SDM)	1.3	166.2	93.8
TMR gp120 polymorphisms						
Participant	Week	Baseline	At PDVF	TMR EC ₅₀ (nM)	MVC EC ₅₀ (nM)	MVC MPI (%)
2	Baseline	M434T	NA	69.7	>5000	-13.9
	Baseline	None (SDM)	NA	2.2	>5000	6.7
	Week 13	—	M434T, M426L	>2000	>5000	-2.6
	Week 13	—	M434T (SDM)	432.2	>5000	-7.3
	Week 13		M426L (SDM)	171.3	>5000	-2.2
	Week 13	—	None (SDM)	5.9	>5000	-8.1

EC₅₀, half-maximal effective concentration; MPI, maximum percent inhibition; NA, not applicable; PDVF, protocol-defined virologic failure; SDM, site-directed mutagenesis.

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CCR5-Tropic MVC Resistance Was Not Predictive of Reduced Susceptibility to TMR in MOTIVATE-1 and -2

- No clinical samples from MOTIVATE were available, although gp120 sequences were accessible
- Sequences of envelopes from 5 participants who exhibited CCR5-tropic MVC resistance were used to regenerate functional envelopes
- All 5 exhibited resistance to MVC (and were CCR5-tropic), while 4/5 were fully susceptible to TMR
- The 1 envelope with reduced susceptibility to TMR contained an M426L polymorphism
- Site-directed mutagenesis reverting the virus back to M426 resulted in full sensitivity to TMR while MVC resistance remained

Envelope	TMR EC ₅₀ (nM)	MVC EC ₅₀ (nM)
MP5.7	1.00	>5000
MP35.2	1.00	>5000
MP49.20	1.56	>5000
MP53.36	0.51	>5000
MP11.38 (M426L)	412.7	>5000
MP11.38 (M426M; SDM)	0.98	>5000

 EC_{50} , half-maximal effective concentration; SDM, site-directed mutagenesis.

Conclusions

- Data from BRIGHTE and MOTIVATE strongly suggest that there is no correlation between IBA or MVC resistance and a meaningful reduction in TMR susceptibility
- From BRIGHTE:
 - In participants co-dosed with FTR and IBA who demonstrated reduced susceptibility to both agents, susceptibility to TMR could be restored without restoring IBA susceptibility
 - A failing regimen with MVC did not impact virologic success of functional FTR monotherapy at Day 8

• From MOTIVATE:

- Susceptibility to TMR was not indicative of susceptibility to MVC
- The envelope with reduced susceptibility to TMR contained an M426L polymorphism; when reverted to M426M, susceptibility to TMR was rescued while susceptibility to MVC was unchanged

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