Rifapentine-containing treatment shortening regimens for PTB: A randomized, open-label, controlled phase 3 clinical trial

Study 31/A5349 Results Update

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Background

- Reducing the duration of treatment required for TB cure is a longstanding public health goal
 - Shorter regimens cure patients faster, and have the potential to reduce treatment costs, improve patient quality of life, and increase completion of therapy

Key Study Question

 Does optimized rifapentine, with or without moxifloxacin, allow treatment shortening to 4 months for drugsusceptible TB?



Study Design

3 arms,

- International, multicenter
- Randomized, controlled
- Open-label

- Non-inferiority
- FDA registration quality

Follow-up 18 months post-randomization



Key eligibility criteria

- Inclusion
 - Positive AFB sputum smear or positive Xpert MTB (medium/high, no RIF-R)
 - Age ≥12 y.o.
 - If HIV-positive, CD4 T cell count ≥100 cells/mm³, on (or planned) EFV-based ART
- Exclusion
 - Pregnant and breastfeeding women
 - Recent receiving TB drugs
 - >5 days systemic TB treatment within previous 6 months
 - >5 days treatment with anti-TB drugs within previous 30 days
 - Known history of prolonged QT syndrome
 - Extrapulmonary TB (CNS, bones or joints, miliary, pericardial)
 - Weight <40 kg
 - Known drug resistance



Primary analysis populations:

Microbiologically eligible

Assessable

2516 participants enrolled at 34 clinical research sites in 13 countries on 4 continents



S31/A5349 Results: Baseline Characteristics of Microbiologically Eligible Population

Characteristic	Control (2HPZE/2HP)		RPT-MOX (2HPZM/2HPM)	Total
Total in analysis population	768	784	791	2343
Male sex	544 (70.8%)	563 (71.8%)	563 (71.2%)	1670 (71.3%)
Age, median, range	30.9 (13.7- 77.5)	31.0 (14.1- 81.4)	31.0 (14.6- 72.5)	31.0 (13.7- 81.4)
Race of Participants				
Asian	86 (11.2%)	93 (11.9%)	89 (11.3%)	268 (11.4%)
Black or African American	553 (72%)	571 (72.8%)	552 (69.8%)	1676 (71.5%)
White	15 (2%)	8 (1%)	13 (1.6%)	36 (1.5%)
More than one race	111 (14.5%)	111 (14.2%)	136 (17.2%)	358 (15.3%)
Race not available	3 (0.4%)	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.1%)	5 (0.2%)
HIV positive	64 (8.3%)	67 (8.5%)	62 (7.8%)	193 (8.2%)
Cavitation on chest X-ray	557 (72.5%)	572 (73%)	572 (72.3%)	1701 (72.6%)
BMI, median, IQR	18.9 (17.4- 20.7)	18.9 (17.4- 20.8)	19.0 (17.4- 20.9)	18.9 (17.4- 20.8)
Weight, kg, median, IQR	52.9 (48.2- 59.0)	53.3 (47.9- 59.2)	53.0 (48.0- 59.3)	53.1 (48.0- 59.1)



12 month results for efficacy and safety

Outcome status: Favorable (Cure) Primary efficacy analysis

Assessable analysis population

Outcome	Control (2HRZE/4HR)	RPT (2HPZE/2HP)	RPT-MOX (2HPZM/2HPM)	Total
Total in analysis population	726	752	756	2234
Total Favorable	656 (90.4%)	645 (85.8%)	668 (88.4%)	1969 (88.1%)
Culture negative at Month 12	643 (88.6%)	636 (84.6%)	656 (86.8%)	1935 (86.6%)
Seen at Month 12, but no sputum produced, or culture		0 (1 20/)	12 (1 60/)	
contaminated or unevaluable	13 (1.8%)	9 (1.2%)	12 (1.0%)	34 (1.5%)

Note. Percentages are column percent. Denominator is number of participants in each group in assessable population.

Outcome status: Unfavorable (Absence of cure) Primary efficacy analysis

Assessable analysis population

Outcome	Control (2HRZE/4HR)	RPT (2HPZE/2HP)	RPT-MOX (2HPZM/2HPM)	Total
Total in analysis population	726	752	756	2234
Total Unfavorable	70 (9.6%)	107 (14.2%)	88 (11.6%)	265 (11.9%)
Total Unfavorable: TB-related	24 (3.3%)	75 (10.0%)	45 (6.0%)	144 (6.4%)
Two positive cultures at/after week 17 without intervening negative	11 (1.5%)	63 (8.4%)	34 (4.5%)	108 (4.8%)
Not seen at Month 12, last culture positive for <i>M. tuberculosis</i>	11 (1.5%)	4 (0.5%)	3 (0.4%)	18 (0.8%)
Treatment changed/restarted: Clinical recurrence, no positive cultures	1 (0.1%)	5 (0.7%)	4 (0.5%)	10 (0.4%)
Treatment changed/restarted: Extra-pulmonary TB	0	2 (0.3%)	2 (0.3%)	4 (0.2%)
Treatment changed/restarted: Clinical recurrence, 1 positive culture	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.1%)	2 (0.3%)	4 (0.2%)
Total Unfavorable: Not TB-related	46 (6.3%)	32 (4.3%)	43 (5.7%)	121 (5.4%)
Withdrawn during treatment: Consent withdrawn (no AE or PPTR)	14 (1.9%)	11 (1.5%)	15 (2.0%)	40 (1.8%)
Treatment changed/restarted: Adverse event	8 (1.1%)	9 (1.2%)	16 (2.1%)	33 (1.5%)
Death during treatment	7 (1.0%)	3 (0.4%)	3 (0.4%)	13 (0.6%)
Withdrawn during treatment: AE then withdrew consent	2 (0.3%)	3 (0.4%)	3 (0.4%)	8 (0.4%)
Withdrawn during treatment: Moved away	7 (1.0%)	0	1 (0.1%)	8 (0.4%)
Treatment changed/restarted: Restart after poor adherence	3 (0.4%)	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.1%)	5 (0.2%)
Withdrawn during treatment: Lost to follow-up	1 (0.1%)	2 (0.3%)	1 (0.1%)	4 (0.2%)
Treatment changed/restarted or withdrawn during treatment: Other	4 (0.6%)	3 (0.4%)	3 (0.4%)	10 (0.4%)

Note. Percentages are column percent. Denominator is number of participants in each group in assessable population.

Primary Efficacy Results







regimen does not meet noninferiority criteria for efficacy in any analysis

Primary Efficacy Results



Risk differences (95% CI) *in favor of streptomycin (control)* for trials in which streptomycin was replaced by ethambutol:

- 2.1% (-1.2%, 5.5%) British Thoracic Society, Br J Dis Chest 1984;78:330-6
- 3.1% (-0.6%, 6.7%) Hong Kong Chest Service, Am Rev Respir Dis 1987;136:1339-42

Primary and secondary safety outcomes



Liver chemistries in S31/A5349

- FDA perspective: 3 major indicators of a potential for severe drug induced liver injury (DILI):
 - An excess of aminotransferase elevations to >3X ULN compared to a control group;
 - Marked elevations of aminotransferases to 5X, 10X, or 20X ULN in modest numbers of subjects in a test drug group and not seen (or seen much less frequently) in the control group;
 - Newly elevated total serum bilirubin to >2X ULN in a setting of pure hepatocellular injury, with no other explanation, accompanied by an overall increased incidence of aminotransferase elevations >3X ULN in the test drug group compared to placebo.

FDA. Guidance for Industry: drug-induced liver injury: premarketing clinical evaluation. July 2009. <u>https://www.fda.gov/media/116737/download</u>. **1.** An excess of aminotransferase elevations to >3X ULN compared to the control group. This was not observed in S31/A5349 (Table 1).

Table 1	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX
	(n=825)	(n=835)	(n=846)
ALT or AST ≥3X ULN	49 (5.9%)	36 (4.3%)	45 (5.3%)

2. Marked elevations of aminotransferases to 5X, 10X, or 20X ULN in modest numbers of subjects in a test drug group and not seen (or seen much less frequently) in the control group.

This was not observed in S31/A5349 (Table 2).

Table 2	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX
	(n=825)	(n=835)	(n=846)
ALT or AST ≥5X ULN	25 (3.0%)	15 (1.8%)	20 (2.4%)
ALT or AST \geq 10X ULN	10 (1.2%)	5 (0.6%)	4 (0.5%)
ALT or AST ≥20X ULN	4 (0.5%)	2 (0.2%)	1 (0.1%)

3. Newly elevated total serum bilirubin to >2X ULN in a setting of pure hepatocellular injury, with no other explanation, accompanied by an overall increased incidence of aminotransferase elevations >3X ULN in the test drug group compared to placebo. The following table (Table 3) includes all participants who had a serum total bilirubin ≥ 2X ULN at any time during study participation and a serum ALT or AST ≥ 3X ULN at any time during study participation.

Table 3	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX
	(n=825)	(n=835)	(n=846)
Total bilirubin ≥2X ULN AND ALT or	8 (1.0%)	12 (1.4%)	16 (1.9%)
AST ≥3X ULN			

Table 4	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX
	(n=825)	(n=835)	(n=846)
Total bilirubin ≥2X ULN AND ALT or	8 (1.0%)	12 (1.4%)	16 (1.9%)
AST ≥ <mark>3</mark> X ULN			
Total bilirubin ≥2X ULN AND ALT or	6 (0.7%)	8 (1.0%)	9 (1.0%)
AST ≥ <mark>5</mark> X ULN			
Total bilirubin ≥2X ULN AND ALT or	3 (0.4%)	4 (0.5%)	2 (0.2%)
AST ≥ <mark>10</mark> X ULN			

S31/A5349 Mean values over time for blood ALT and blood total bilirubin among participants in the safety analysis population



Alanine aminotransferase

Blood total bilirubin

Mechanisms of rifamycin-associated bilirubin increases

- Hepatocellular injury
- Dose-dependent interference with bilirubin uptake
- Inhibition of bile salt exporter pumps
- Competition with bilirubin for clearance at the sinusoidal membrane
- Impedance of bilirubin secretion at the canalicular level
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Liver chemistries in S31/A5349

CONCLUSION

In S31/A5349, elevations in serum bilirubin without marked elevations in aminotransferases appear to be more consistent with rifamycin's known effects on bilirubin handling than with severe hepatocellular injury.

Conclusions (12 month results)

Efficacy



RPT-MOX (2HPZM/2HPM) regimen consistently met non-inferiority criteria for efficacy

- All primary and secondary analysis populations
- All 14 sensitivity analyses
- All sub-group analyses

X RPT (2HPZE/2HP) regimen did not meet non-inferiority criteria for efficacy

• Non-inferiority was not met in any analysis, except certain participant sub-groups

Safety Soth high-dose rifapentine regimens safe

18 month results

Primary 12-month outcome

Rifapentine-moxifloxacin non-inferior to control Rifapentine <u>not non-inferior</u> to control

	Proportion	unfavorable	Difference in proportion unfavorable from control					
RPT-MOX	Control	Rifapentine-Moxifloxacin	Favors control Margin of non-inferiority = 6.6%					
Intention to treat	20.7% (172/829)	21.3% (181/849)	0.5% (-3.3%, 4.4%) 0.6% (-3.3%, 4.5%)					
Microbiologically eligible†	14.5% (111/768)	15.5% (123/791)	1.1% (-2.4%, 4.6%) 1.1% (-2.4%, 4.6%)					
Assessable†	9.5% (69/726)	11.5% (87/755)	2.0% (-1.1%, 5.1%) 2.0% (-1.1%, 5.1%)					
Per protocol 75%	3.0% (20/673)	6.1% (43/706)	3.1% (1.0%, 5.3%)					
Per protocol 95%	2.5% (14/563)	5.8% (37/641)	3.3% (1.1%, 5.5%) 3.3% (1.1%, 5.5%)					
-	-2% 0% 2% 4% 6% 8% 10%							
-	Primary: Adjusted for HIV and o	cavitation 🛛 🗖 Primary: Unadju	• Secondary: Adjusted for HIV and cavitation • Secondary: Unadjusted					
RPT			-2% 0% 2% 4% 6% 8% 10%					
	Control	Rifapentine	Favors control Margin of non-inferiority = 6.6%					
Intention to treat	20.7% (172/829)	23.0% (193/838)	2.3% (-1.7%, 6.2%) 2.3% (-1.7%, 6.2%)					
- Microbiologically eligible†	14.5% (111/768)	17.7% (139/784)						
-			5.3% (-0.4%, 0.9%)					
Assessable†	9.5% (69/726)	13.3% (99/744)						
- Per protocol 75%	3 0% (20/673)	9.5% (67/707)	6.5% (4.0%, 9.0%)					
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	0.070 (20/070)							
Per protocol 95%	2.5% (14/563)	10.0% (64/643)	0.5 % (4.8 %, 0.5 %) 7.5% (4.8%, 10.1%) 7.5% (4.8%, 10.1%)					

Primary 12-month outcome

Secondary 18-month outcome

Rifapentine-moxifloxacin non-inferior to control Rifapentine <u>not non-inferior</u> to control

Proportion unfavorable			Diffe	erence in	proportior	n unfavorable fro	om contro	ol		
RPT-MOX	Control	Rifapentine-Moxifloxacin			Favors contro			Margin of non-in	feriority = 6.6%	
Intention to treat	20.9% (173/829)	21.4% (182/849)	⊢					0.5% (-3.4%, 0.6% (-3.3%).	4.4%) 4.5%)	
Microbiologically eligible†	14.6% (112/768)	15.7% (124/791)	F					1.1% (-2.4%, 1.1% (-2.5%,	4.6%) 4.6%)	
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Per protocol 75%	3.6% (24/674)	6.2% (44/705)			⊢——	•		2.7% (0.5%, 5%, 5%, 2.7% (0.4%, 4%)	5.0%) 4.9%)	
Per protocol 95%	2.5% (14/564)	5.8% (37/641)				•		3.3% (1.1%, 5	5.5%) 5.5%)	
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RPT			-2%	6 Ο	% 2	2% 4%	6%	8%	10%	
	Control	Rifapentine			Favors contro	ol		Margin of non-in	feriority = 6.6%	
Intention to treat	20.9% (173/829)	24.1% (202/838)		⊢ ⊢		•				3.2% (-0.8%, 7.2%) 3.2% (-0.8%, 7.2%)
- Microbiologically eligible†	14.6% (112/768)	18.9% (148/784)			F			 		4.1% (0.5%, 7.8%) 4.3% (0.6%, 8.0%)
۔ †Assessable	9.5% (69/725)	14.5% (108/744)			- -		•			4.9% (1.6%, 8.2%)
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- Per protocol 95%	2.5% (14/564)	11.3% (73/644)					Г Г	•		\neg 8.8% (6.1%, 11.6%) \neg 8.9% (6.1%, 11.6%)
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Subgroup Analyses

Sub-group analyses (Assessable analysis population) **RPT-MOX Regimen vs Control**

- All interaction tests were non-significant fo **MOX-RPT** Regimen
- There was no evidence that the treatment effect differed by any sub-group for the MOX **RPT** Regimen

		NI margin 6.6%		NI margin 6.6%
	Overall	→ Favors Control	Overall	─────────────────────────────────────
r	HIV Status Negative	Interaction p = 0.121	Presence of cavitation No cavities Cavities	Interaction p = 0.210
	Positive		Extent of disease, CXR	Interaction p = 0.377
	Sex Female	Interaction p = 0.453	<25% 25-49% ≥50%	
	Male		Cavity size	Interaction p = 0.439
	BMI (kg/m ²) 12.8-	Interaction p = 0.694	Absent <4cm >4cm	
	17.9- 20.0-		WHO Smear Grade Negative	Interaction p = 0.870
	Age (years) 13.7-	Interaction p = 0.471	Scanty 1+ 2+	
-	27.0- 37.2-		MGIT DTP (Days) 0.8-	Interaction p = 0.661
	Smoking history	Interadtion p = 0.726	6.7-	
	Former smoker Current smoker		History of diabetes Not reported Reported	Interaction p = 0.555
	20%	10°10 50°10 0°10 50°10 20°10	20%	10°10 50°10 0°10 50°10 20°

200%

HIV-infected Population (214 randomized)

Safety Outcomes	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX	Total
Total safety population	70	71	72	213
Primary Safety Outcome	16 (22.0%)	14 (10 70/)	12 (16 70/)	12 (10 70/)
(Grade 3-5 AEs on treatment)	10 (22.9%)	14 (19.7%)	12 (10.7%)	42 (19.7%)
SAEs during treatment	8 (11.4%)	6 (8.5%)	2 (2.8%)	16 (7.5%)
Deaths	2 (2.9%)	3 (4.2%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (2.3%)

Efficacy outcomes (% unfavorable)	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX	Total
Primary: Assessable	9/59 (15.3%)	17/65 (26.2%)	5/58 (8.6%)	31/182 (17.0%)
Primary: Microbiologically eligible	14/64 (21.9%)	20/68 (29.4%)	9/62 (14.5%)	43/194 (22.2%)

Adolescents (68 randomized)

Safety Outcomes	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX	Total
Total safety population	22	20	25	67
Primary Safety Outcome	3 (13.6%)	2 (10.0%)	3 (12.0%)	8 (11.9%)
(Grade 3-5 AEs on treatment)				
SAEs during treatment	0	0	0	0
Deaths	0	0	0	0

Efficacy outcomes (% unfavorable)	Control	RPT	RPT-MOX	Total
Primary: Assessable	1/19 (5.3%)	1/18 (5.6%)	2/25 (8.0%)	4/62 (6.5%)
Primary: Microbiologically eligible	1/19 (5.3%)	2/19 (10.5%)	2/25 (8.0%)	5/63 (7.9%)

Pharmacokinetic / Pharmacodynamic Analyses

RIFAPENTINE – SIGMOIDAL EMAX RELATIONSHIP



- Rifapentine exposure is the single
 largest and most significant predictor for
 TB-related unfavorable outcomes
 (P = 0.00001)
- After accounting for rifapentine, on or off moxifloxacin was the only other significant drug effect (P = 0.00116)
- To achieve a target of 95% of people without a TB-related unfavorable outcome, the target rifapentine exposure (as HPZM regimen) is 570 ug*h/mL.

Xpert and CXR extent of disease an stratify patients into risk groups Courtesy of R. Savic and V. Chang		Gene Xpert < 18 CT	Gene Xpert ≥ 18 CT	
1/4 1/4 1/4 1/4	Disease Extent	Medium	Low	
	< 50%	Risk	Risk	
	Disease Extent	High	Medium	
	≥ 50%	Risk	Risk	

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- For patients with low RPT exposure, moxifloxacin improves outcomes (esp in high risk group)
- For medium & high risk groups, rifapentine exposure is critical factor
- Rifapentine exposure is more crucial in HPZE than HPZM

*black dots are observed data and number of patients in strata, colored points and ranges are medians and 95% prediction interval of PKPD model.



Summary

• RPT-MOX (2HPZM/2HPM) regimen consistently met non-inferiority criteria for efficacy

- All primary and secondary analysis populations
- All 14 sensitivity analyses
- All sub-group analyses
- 12 month f/u and 18 month f/u results almost identical

• RPT (2HPZE/2HP) regimen did not meet non-inferiority criteria for efficacy

- Non-inferiority was not met in any analysis, except certain participant sub-groups
- Difference between RPT and control regimen was larger at 18 months than at 12 months
- Both regimens safe, well-tolerated
- Rifapentine exposure was the largest & most significant predictor of TB-related unfavorable outcome

Some concluding thoughts...

• There was no cure for TB when our grandparents were kids

• Past 75 years: cure in 24 months...to 18...to 9...to 6...**to 4**...to 2?

- Envision a TB-free future!
 - Socioeconomic progress the rising tide that lifts all boats
 - Your hard (TB program) work & care for people with TB and across the spectrum of TB infection and risk
 - Research and its application

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- Staff of 34 clinical trial sites on 4 continents
- 2516 participants and their families and friends
- Community Representation Advisory Group
- Treatment Action Group

Supplemental Slides

Margin of non-inferiority of 6.6%

Important differences between:

- 1. Trials of completely novel regimens
- 2. Substitution treatment-shortening trials

- New regimens: e.g. STAND (12%), SimpliciTB (12%), STREAM (10%), endTB (12%), TRUNCATE (12%)
- 1- or 2-drug substitution: e.g. REMoxTB (6%), RIFAQUIN (6%), OFLOTUB (6%), NIRT CTRI/2012/10/003060 (5%), S31/A5349 (6.6%)

Two-pronged justification for S31/A5349

- <u>Statistical</u>:
 - 6.6% is sufficiently small to provide evidence that 4month regimens are superior to no treatment AND superior to 4-month HRZE (standard therapy).
- <u>Clinical</u>: Two large publicly-funded international consortia of TB stakeholders (TBTC and ACTG) consider:
 - The benefits of a 4-month rifapentine- based regimen justify the margin of 6.6%.
 - 600 patients per arm sufficiently large to provide adequate precision on the difference in efficacy between the regimens to determine whether an intervention regimen might be considered not inferior to the control regimen.

12-month outcomes

Microbiologically eligible analysis population



