A Single-Dose, Open-Label, Randomized, **Replicate Crossover Pivotal Bioequivalence Study in Healthy Adult Participants to Assess the** Bioequivalence of Darunavir 675 mg, **Emtricitabine 200 mg, and Tenofovir** Alafenamide 10 mg in the Presence of Cobicistat 150 mg when Administered as a Fixed Dose Combination (Darunavir/Cobicistat/Emtricitabine/Tenof ovir Alafenamide) Compared to the Coadministration of the Separate Agents (Darunavir, Cobicistat, and Emtricitabine/Tenofovir Alafenamide), **Under Fed Con** 

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Completed

Health condition type Immunodeficiency syndromes

**Study type** Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON49227

#### Source

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#### **Brief title**

D/C/F/TAF and combination bioequivalence

### **Condition**

• Immunodeficiency syndromes

### **Synonym**

AIDS, HIV

### **Research involving**

Human

### **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: Janssen Sciences Ireland UC

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Pharmaceutical Industry

### Intervention

**Keyword:** Bioequivalence, D/C/F/TAF, Open-Label, Seperate agents

#### **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

The following PK parameters for Darunavir, Cobicistat, Emtricitabine, and

Tenofovir alafenamide will be determined for each treatment period:

- Cmax maximum observed analyte concentration;
- tmax the actual sampling time to reach the maximum observed analyte concentration;
- AUClast area under the analyte concentration-time curve (AUC) from time 0 to

the time of

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the last measurable (non-below quantification limit [non-BQL]) concentration, calculated by linear-linear trapezoidal summation;

- AUC\* AUC from time 0 to infinity, calculated as AUClast + Clast/\*z, where Clast is the last observed measurable (non- BQL) concentration; extrapolations of more than 20.00% of the total AUC are reported as approximations;
- Clast last observed measurable (non-below quantification limit [BQL]) analyte concentration;
- tlast the actual sampling time of the last measurable (non-BQL) analyte concentration
- \*z apparent terminal elimination rate constant, determined by linear regression using the terminal log-linear phase of the log-transformed concentration vs. time curve;
- t1/2 apparent terminal elimination half-life, defined as 0.693/\*z.

### **Secondary outcome**

The study will include the following evaluations of safety and tolerability:

- Adverse events
- Clinical laboratory
- Vital signs
- ECG
- Physical examination

# **Study description**

### **Background summary**

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During this study the participant will receive 4 different study compounds that can be used for the treatment of infection with Human Immunodeficiency Virus type 1 (HIV-1). HIV targets immune cells (T-cells) and kills them. This type of immune cell is important for coordinating the immune response to infections. Therefore, the body is more susceptible to new infections when there are not enough T-cells. The reduced effectiveness of the immune system may over time develop in AIDS. It is estimated that in 2018 approximately 38 million people worldwide were living with HIV and that it resulted in about 770 000 HIV-related deaths. Treating HIV requires a combination of drugs, which makes it harder for patients to follow directions.

Therefore a combination tablet that contains multiple drugs is under investigation.

A short description of each compound is given below:

- Darunavir is a drug that is used for the treatment of HIV. It works by blocking the activity of a HIV-related protein (HIV-1 protease) that is important to generate new viruses. This prevents other cells from being infected by the virus.
- Cobicistat is a medication that reduces the activity of a group of liver proteins (CYP3A) that are important for breaking down chemicals (such as drugs) in the body. Cobicistat can thereby prolong the activity of other administered drugs.
- Emtricitabine is a drug that inhibits the growth of the virus that causes HIV. It works by slowing down the copying of virus DNA and thereby prevents the virus from multiplying.
- -Tenofovir alafenamide is a medication that will be broken down in the body to its active form: tenofovir. Tenofovir works in a similar way as emtricitabine and slows down the multiplication of the virus on DNA level.

### Study objective

- To evaluate the single-dose PK and pivotal bioequivalence of 3 compounds darunavir (DRV) 675 mg, FTC 200 mg, and tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) 10 mg in the presence of cobicistat (COBI)150 mg when administered as an fixed-dose combination (FDC) (D/C/F/TAF) compared to the co-administration as the separate commercial formulations (DRV 1×600 mg and 1×75 mg tablet and F/TAF 1×200 mg/10 mg tablet and COBI 1×150 mg tablet), under fed conditions, in healthy adult participants.
- -To evaluate the single-dose PK and relative bioavailability of COBI 150 mg in the presence of DRV 675 mg, FTC 200 mg, and TAF 10 mg when administered as an FDC (D/C/F/TAF) compared to co-administration as the separate commercial formulations (COBI  $1\times150$  mg tablet in the presence of DRV  $1\times600$  mg and  $1\times75$  mg tablet and F/TAF  $1\times200$  mg/10 mg tablet), under fed conditions, in healthy adult participants.
- -To evaluate the short-term safety and tolerability of co-administration of DRV 675 mg, COBI 150 mg, FTC 200 mg, and TAF 10 mg, under fed conditions, in

healthy adult participant.

### Study design

The study will consist of 4 periods during each the participants will stay in the research center for 5 days (4 nights).

Day 1 is the first day of administration of the study compounds. The participants are expected at the research center at 10:00 AM in the morning prior to each day of administration of the study compounds, so on Day -1 of each period. In each period, the participant will leave the research center after staying 4 nights (so on Day 4). There will be at least 7 days between treatments in each period. The participant will be asked to return to the research center approximately 7 - 10 days after the last administration of the study compound (Period 4) to check their health for the last time.

### Intervention

During the course of this study the participant will receive 2 treatments twice, for a total of 4 treatments. They will receive the following doses of the study compounds: 675 mg Darunavir, 200 mg Emtricitabine, 10 mg Tenofovir alafenamide and 150 mg Cobicistat, composed as follows:

#### Treatment A:

• 1 single tablet combining 675 mg darunavir, 200 mg emtricitabine, 10 mg tenofovir alafenamide and 150 mg cobicistat

#### Treatment B:

- 1 tablet containing 600 mg darunavir
- 1 tablet containing 75 mg darunavir
- 1 tablet combining 200 mg emtricitable and 10 mg tenofovir alafenamide
- 1 tablet containing 150 mg cobicistat

The order of treatments is determined by randomization (ABBA or BAAB). The study compounds will be given in the morning as oral tablets with 240 milliliters (mL) of (tap) water.

### Study burden and risks

Four clinical studies have been completed with the Darunavir (D) /Cobicistat (C) /Emtricitabine (F) /Tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) fixed dose combination (FDC) tablet in 199 healthy volunteers. The most frequently observed side effects (seen in more than 10 percent of research participants) of D/C/F/TAF were diarrhea, headache, and skin rash, mostly mild or moderate in severity. Skin rash, when it occurs, may be accompanied with fever and/or an increase in liver enzymes. It usually develops within the first 4 weeks of treatment with D, is often mild or moderate in severity, often resolves within one week and

does not necessarily lead to treatment interruption. In some cases, the rash has been severe or life-threatening. Rare cases of Stevens-Johnson syndrome and very rare cases of other severe skin reactions have been reported in patients taking D in combination with other anti-HIV drugs, as well as other medications. The signs and symptoms of severe rash may include mouth and lips sores or ulcers, fever, itching, weakness, fatigue, malaise, muscle or joint pain, skin conditions (blisters, hives, boils and peels), swollen eyelids or red or inflamed eyes (conjunctivitis), trouble swallowing or breathing, inflammation of the liver (hepatitis) and/or increase of white cells in the blood (eosinophilia).

Drawing blood and/or insertion of the indwelling cannula (tube in an arm vein) may be painful or cause some bruising. In total, no more than than 500 milliliters (mL) of blood from will be taken from the subjects over the entire course of the study.

To make a heart tracing (ECG), electrodes (small, plastic patches) will be pasted at specific locations on your arms, chest and legs. Prolonged use of these electrodes can cause skin irritation (rash and itching).

Samples for the coronavirus test will be taken from the back of the nose and throat using swabs. Taking the samples only takes a few seconds, but can cause discomfort and can give an unpleasant feeling. Taking a sample from the back of the throat may cause the volunteer to gag. When the sample is taken from the back of the nose, the volunteer may experience a stinging sensation and the eyes may become watery

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

- 1. Must be a man or woman between 18 and 55 years of age, extremes included, at screening.
- 2. Must have a body mass index (BMI; weight [kg]/height2 [m]2) between 18.5 and 30.0 kg/m2 (extremes included), and a body weight of not less than 50 kg at screening.
- 3. Must sign an ICF indicating that he or she understands the purpose of, and procedures required for, the study and is willing to participate in the study, before any study-related procedures take place.
- 4. Must be healthy on the basis of physical examination, medical history, vital signs, and ECG performed at screening (results must be available on Day -1). If there are abnormalities (other than those listed in inclusion criterion 10 [for blood pressure]), the participant may be included only if the investigator judges the abnormalities or deviations from normal to be not clinically significant. This determination must be recorded in the participant's source documents and initialed by the investigator.
- 5. Participant must be healthy on the basis of clinical laboratory test performed at screening (results must be available on Day -1). If the results of the serum chemistry panel, hematology, or urinalysis are outside the normal reference ranges (other than those listed in exclusion criterion 2), the participant may be included only if the investigator judges the abnormalities or deviations from normal to be not clinically significant. This determination must be recorded in the participant's source documents and initialed by the investigator.

Further criteria apply.

### **Exclusion criteria**

1. Has history or current clinically significant medical illness including (but not limited to) cardiac arrhythmias or other cardiac disease, hematologic disease, coagulation disorders (including any abnormal bleeding or blood dyscrasias), lipid abnormalities, significant pulmonary disease (including bronchospastic respiratory disease), diabetes mellitus, hepatic or renal insufficiency (eg, estimated creatinine clearance below <90 mL/min at screening), gastrointestinal disease (such as significant diarrhea, gastric stasis, or constipation that in the investigator\*s opinion could influence drug absorption or bioavailability), thyroid disease, neurologic or psychiatric disease.

infection, or any other illness that the investigator considers should exclude the participant or that could interfere with the interpretation of the study results.

- 2. Had one or more of the following laboratory abnormalities at screening as defined by the Division of AIDS (DAIDS) Table for Grading the Severity of Adult and Pediatric Adverse Events and in accordance with the normal ranges of the clinical laboratory:
- Serum creatinine Grade 1 or greater ( $>=1.1 \times 1.1 \times$
- Lipase Grade 1 or greater ( $>=1.1 \times ULN$ ), and/or total amylase Grade 2 or greater ( $>=1.5 \times ULN$ ).
- Hemoglobin (Hb) Grade 1 or greater (Female: <=7.2 mmol/L and Male: <=8.3 mmol/L).
- Platelet count Grade 1 or greater (<124.999 x 109/L).
- Absolute neutrophil count Grade 1 or greater (<=1.0 x 109/L).
- Aspartate aminotransferase (AST) or alanine aminotransferase (ALT) Grade 1 or greater ( $>=1.25 \times ULN$ ).
- Total bilirubin Grade 2 or greater (>=1.6 x ULN).
- Note: Participants with documented Gilbert\*s syndrome could have total bilirubin up to 5 x ULN.
- For proteinuria (spot urine) >=2+.
- Microscopic hematuria (>=5 red blood cells [RBC]/hpf); if a female participant is menstruating at the time of screening a urine retest is to be performed after the menstrual period.
- Any other laboratory abnormality of grade 2 or greater. For low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol values corresponding to DAIDS grade 2 or greater, participants will not to be excluded as long as the value is not higher than ULN of the local lab.
- 3. Clinically significant abnormalities during physical examination, vital signs, or 12-lead electrocardiogram (ECG) at screening or at admission to the study center as deemed appropriate by the investigator.
- 4. With any history of clinically significant skin disease such as, but not limited to, dermatitis, eczema, drug rash, psoriasis, food allergy, or urticaria.

5. Has taken any disallowed therapies as noted in Section 5.5 of the protocol before the planned first intake of study drug.

Further criteria apply.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Crossover

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Completed
Start date (anticipated): 05-01-2021

Enrollment: 32

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Descovy

Generic name: emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: n.a.

Generic name: Darunavir/Cobicistat/Emtricitabine/Tenofovir Alafenamide

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Prezista

Generic name: Darunavir

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Tybost

Generic name: Cobicistat

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 01-12-2020

Application type: First submission

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

Approved WMO

Date: 22-12-2020

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

Approved WMO

Date: 23-12-2020

Application type: First submission

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

# **Study registrations**

## Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

# In other registers

Register ID

EudraCT EUCTR2020-003396-18-NL

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# **Study results**

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