Advancing Treatment for Hemophilia B

Exploring Extravascular Hemostasis and Optimizing Factor Replacement Monitoring and Implementation

Hemophilia B: Introduction

- Hemophilia B is caused by a deficiency in FIX—a hemostatic enzyme—and affects 3.8 per 100,000 males
- FIX deficiency prevents the propagation phase of hemostasis, precluding the synthesis of sufficient amounts of fibrin

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HEMOPHILIA B



FIX Distribution and PK: Differences From HFVIII

- Differences between FIX (hemophilia B) and FVIII (hemophilia A) result in distinct distribution and PK profiles
- Unlike FVIII, FIX rapidly migrates outside of the vasculature and is present in both the intravascular and extravascular compartments
 - -Intravascular compartment as a circulating protein
 - -Extravascular compartment bound to collagen IV
- Endothelial monolayer and basement membrane are enriched with collagen

IV binding sites for FIX

HEMOPHILIA B – FIX



distribution to the extravascular space, potentially enabling a longer t_{1/2}

HEMOPHILIA A – FVIII



FVIII binds to VWF, largely limiting the distribution of FVIII within the bloodstream

These different paths of distribution may have clinical importance

Affected PK	Unique Variables Influencing PK			
Parameters	FIX	FVIII		
Half-life	 EVD Collagen IV binding 18-24 hours 	 Blood type VWF association ≈12 hours 		
Volume of distribution	 EVD Collagen IV binding 220, 261 mL/kg (rFIX) 	 VWF association Interaction with clearance receptors 50 mL/kg (rFVIII) 		
Clearance		 VWF association 		
Recovery	EVDCollagen IV binding			
FIX and the	3-Compartment Model	FVIII and the 1-Compartment Model		
Phase 1: Rapid distribution into peripheral compartments		• Linear decay of a drug		
Phase 2: Re-distribution compartment saturation of or reaching e Phase 3: Elimination fr	on to central t after binding sites equilibrium rom plasma	• Concentration decreases by half over a constant period of time (eg, $t_{1/2}$)		
	FIX Infusion	FIX Infusion		
Peripheral Compartment 2 (eg, protein binding)	Central Compartment (plasma) Peripheral Compartment 3 (eg, extracellular space)	Peripheral Compartment 2 (eg, protein binding) Central Compartment (plasma) Peripheral Compartment 3 (eg, extracellular space)		
	Elimination	Elimination		

FIX Therapies in the United States Vary in Structure, Characteristics, and PK Profiles





Extravasation Potential							
Volume of distribution (mL/kg)							
	N9-GP	rFIX-FP	rFIX	rFIX-Fc			
	47	102	261.1	314.8			

Trough Levels Vary Across FIX Products and Do Not Correlate Well With ABR

	rFIX-Fc		rFIX-FP		N9-GP	
Regimen (subjects)	50 IU/kg weekly (n=61)	Interval- adjusted (n=26)	40 IU/kg weekly (n=40)	75 IU/kg bi-weekly (n=21)	10 IU/kg weekly (n=30)	40 IU/kg weekly (n=29)
Median ABR (95% CI)	3.0 (1.0-4.4)	1.4 (0.0-3.4)	0.0 (0.0-1.9)	1.1 (0.0-2.7)	2.9 (1.0-6.0)	1.0 (0.0-4.0)
Mean ABR (95% CI)	2.9 ^a	2.0ª	1.58 (1.02-2.44)	1.61 (0.93-2.80)	4.56 (3.01-6.90)	2.51 (1.42-4.43)
Trough	1-3 IU/dL above baseline ^₅	1-3 IU/dL above baseline ^b	20 IU/dL (mean)	12 IU/dL (mean)	8.5 IU/dL (mean)	27.3 IU/dL (mean)

Results are from different studies and therefore inter-product comparisons cannot be made.

^aLast 3 months on-study.

^bTarget trough FIX activity levels.

There are likely some modifiers and a potential role of EVD in bleeding control in patients with hemophilia B

Although clinical trials have not directly compared EHL-FIX products, individual trials have shown:





Conclusions

FIX is an enzyme that has a smaller molecular size and a larger volume of distribution than FVIII, which is a co-factor

There is a lack of correlation between trough levels and bleed rates in hemophilia B

Treatment evaluation of EHL- and SHL-FIX replacement therapy should focus on outcomes rather than trough levels

Successful bleed prevention or control in severe hemophilia B may be predicted by:

- Distribution of FIX in circulation and extravascular space
- Presence of FIX in tissues at time of injury
- CRM status may play role in response

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Abbreviations

ABR: annualized bleed rate AUC: area under the curve CRM: cross-reactive material EGF: epidermal growth factor EHL: extended half-life EVD: extravascular distribution FIX/FIXa: factor IX/activated FIX FV/FVa: factor V/activated FV FVIIa: factor VII/activated FVII FVIII/FVIIIa: factor VIII/activated FVIII FX/FXa: factor X/activated FX N9-GP: nonacog beta pegol **PK:** pharmacokinetics rFIX-FP: recombinant FIX with human albumin SHL: standard half-life t_{1/2}: half-life TF: tissue factor TFPI: tissue factor pathway inhibitor VWF: Von Willebrand factor