Achieving Freedom From Bleeding: **Exploring the Evolving Evidence on New and Emerging Treatment Strategies to Maintain Higher FVIII Levels**

Baseline FVIII levels dictate the number

of joint bleeds that will occur: Joint damage Low **Joint**



sufficient to prevent joint bleeds at all times.

joint bleeds.

health equity.

Prevent

premature death

70

60 -

- Hemophilic arthropathy Chronic pain
 - Impaired HRQOL
- All patients with severe hemophilia should be receiving prophylaxis that is
- - Around half of people with hemophilia live with chronic pain. More than half of patients report receiving pain

management from their healthcare provider, with

around 40% reporting their pain is not well treated.

 Normalized FVIII levels can prevent spontaneous bleeding, preserve joint function, and promote active living, which contributes to health equity. People with hemophilia can progress toward attainment of a "functional

There is a new therapeutic goal for hemophilia A:

Model of Milestones Toward Normal Hemostasis Optimized health and well-being Patient-relevant outcomes "Normalized" hemostasis Clinical outcomes

Level of protection

cure" by achieving specific milestones, including unrestricted participation in

work and family life, normal mobility, and freedom from spontaneous bleeds.

Higher FVIII targets are recommended to achieve near-zero joint bleeds.

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Survival

Target FVII trough levels of 3-5 IU/dL or higher

The World Federation of Hemophilia Guidelines recommend:

Now recognizing that with a 1% trough level, patients remain at risk of bleeding, most clinicians would prefer to target higher trough levels (>3%-5%). - WFH Guidelines, 2020

Higher FVIII levels are associated with lower bleed rates: A higher proportion of patients experience zero total and spontaneous bleeds when prophylaxis targets FVIII trough levels of 8%-12% compared to targeting levels of 1%-3%. p = .026100 p = .10190 p = .05580

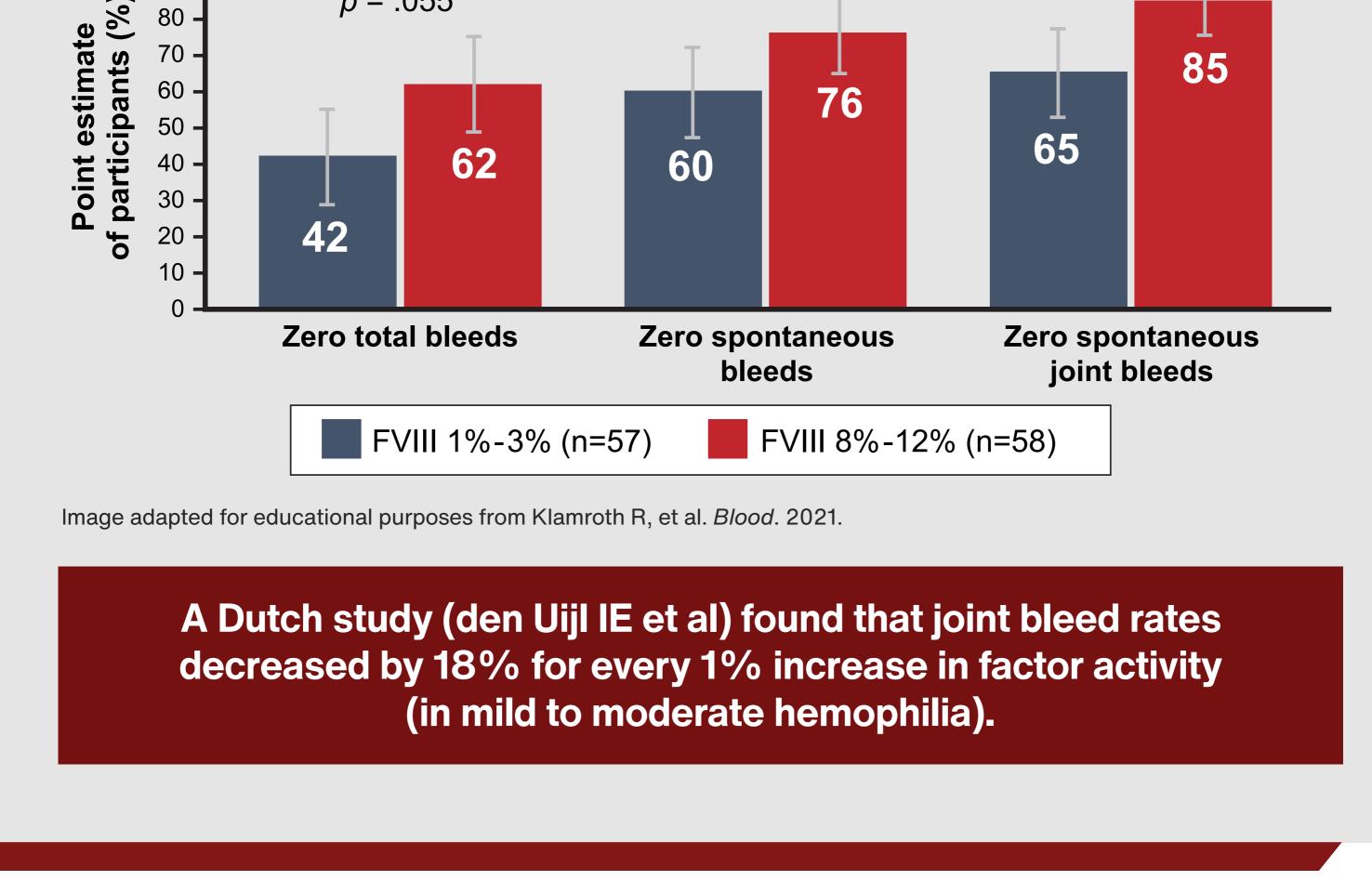
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XTEN

insertion to

increase

half-life



 Prophylaxis options now include SHL and EHL FVIII replacement therapy, highsustained FVIII replacement therapy (efanesoctocog alfa), FVIII mimetic therapy (emicizumab), and gene therapy (valoctocogene roxaparvovec).

With such products available to patients, prophylaxis

All forms of prophylaxis are superior to episodic therapy.

without the peaks and troughs of factor replacement.

Numerous prophylaxis options are available:

recommendations can now shift from what is feasible to what is optimal.

Efanesoctocog alfa and valoctocogene roxaparvovec achieve steady hemostasis

 Fusion protein comprising recombinant FVIII, a dimeric Fc, 2 XTEN polypeptides, and a VWF D'D3 domain

(~15-19 hours)

100-

FVIII concentration

15-

10-

5-

Efanesoctocog Alfa (EFA)

 Engineered to function VWF D'D3 independently of VWF, domain to Fc to extending its half-life decouple increase **FVIII** from beyond typical limitations half-life **VWF** D3

Mild hemophilia

Emicizumab

EFA

Range of FVIII equivalence

Remaining health

equity gap awaiting

further innovations

prophylaxis with

Currently benefit

from prophylaxis

EFA was evaluated in a phase 3, multicenter, open-label trial in 159 previously

Likely to benefit from

innovative therapies

rFVIIIFc-VWF-XTEN

A1

A3

XTEN insertion to

increase half-life

Enables weekly

dosing, keeping factor

non-hemophilia levels

throughout the week,

with troughs at 15%

concentrations near

fusion protein

Results showeda: 123.1% Trough levels of Mean activity (IU/dL) 100 13-15% at day 7 101.4% Activity levels in the non-hemophilia range 10 4 out of 7 days - Peaks of 150 IU/dL Geometric mean half-life of 47 hours ^aIn a subset of 17 patients in whom extensive pharmacokinetic analysis was done. Switching from standard-care FVIII prophylaxis to EFA (50 IU/kg) once weekly for 52 weeks reduced mean ABR from 2.96 to 0.69, a 77% decrease.

treated adults and adolescents with severe hemophilia A:

Time since administration (days)

68.0% 100% Week 26 (n=17) 40% **59.1%** 15.2% Week 1 (n=17) - 10% 12.8% 1% 6 Days since receipt of dose Valoctocogene roxaparvovec (VR)

 A wide range of FVIII levels (0-291.4 IU/dL) Year 3 FVIII (n=132) 70 SE FVIII activity Mean: 29.7 IU/dL 60

8 12 16 20 24 28 32 36 40 44 48 52 56 60 64 68 72 76 80 84 88 92 96 100 104 110 116 122 128 134 140 146 152 156 162 168 174 180 186 192 198 204 208

Study week

Over 3 years, the mean annualized treated bleeding rate

Median (Q1, Q3):

16.2 (5.5, 31.7) IU/dL

Range: 0-291.4 IU/dL

Participant group: mITT (n=132) Enrolled 4+ years, mITT (n=17)

Consistent therapeutic FVIII levels by week 8 and throughout the follow-up

VR was evaluated in a 3-year phase 3 study of 133 patients, and results showed:

AAV5-mediated gene therapy, encoding an optimized human

B domain-deleted FVIII

50

20

10

0

- EFA:

6 x 10¹³ vg/kg VR infusion at week 0

expression loss.

decrease in FVIII activity.

toward a functional cure.

Mean ±

Mean FVIII levels of 29.7 IU/dL

for 112 rollover participants was 0.8 bleeds/year.

Safety Considerations for EFA and VR:

arthralgia (16%), fall (6%), and back pain (6%).

For VR, ALT increases were observed during clinical trials:

- Inhibitor formation against FVIII following EFA administration is possible, but was not reported in clinical trials. Monitor all patients closely for inhibitors using clinical observations and laboratory testing.

Typically occur within the first 3 months (in 86% of those receiving VR).

- Presumed to be an immune response to the viral vector parts and can lead to

Monitor ALT weekly for at least the first 6 months, and institute corticosteroid

- Monitor FVIII activity levels, as ALT elevation may be accompanied by a

Most common AEs overall (reported in >5% of patients) are headache (20%),

Summary

Baseline FVIII levels dictate the number

of joint bleeds that will occur. Joint bleeds

lead to joint damage, which impairs HRQOL.

the peaks and troughs of FVIII replacement.

There is a new therapeutic goal for hemophilia A:

treatment in response to ALT elevations as recommended.

FVIII targets to achieve near-zero joint bleeds. Numerous prophylactic options are available, and all forms of prophylaxis are preferable to episodic therapy.

Newer agents (EFA and VR) achieve steady hemostasis without

Guidelines from the World Federation of Hemophilia identify higher

health equity. People with hemophilia A can now progress

Abbreviations FVIII: factor VIII

HRQOL: health-related quality of life

mITT: modified intention-to-treat

SHL: standard half-life EHL: extended half-life VR: valoctocogene roxaparvovec VWF: von Willebrand factor

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AA5: adeno-associated virus type 5 ABR: annualized bleeding rate AE: adverse event ALT: alanine aminotransferase

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