

# HEPATITIS C VIRUS REINFECTION AND INJECTING RISK BEHAVIOR FOLLOWING ELBASVIR/GRAZOPREVRIR TREATMENT IN PARTICIPANTS ON OPIATE AGONIST THERAPY: C-EDGE CO-STAR PART B

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## BACKGROUND

HCV NS5A inhibitor, 50 mg

Elbasvir  
(MK-8742)

Grazoprevir  
(MK-5172)

HCV NS3/4A inhibitor, 100 mg

**EBR/GZR is a fixed-dose combination tablet administered once daily without regard to food intake, and is approved for the treatment of HCV GT1 and 4 infections in a number of countries, including the US, Canada, and EU**

- Retains in vitro activity against many clinically relevant RASs<sup>1-3</sup>
- Efficacious in treatment-naïve and -experienced compensated cirrhotic and noncirrhotic people with HCV, and in HIV/HCV co-infected people<sup>4-8</sup>
- Safety and efficacy demonstrated in special populations, including those with stage 4/5 chronic kidney disease or inherited blood disorders<sup>5,8</sup>

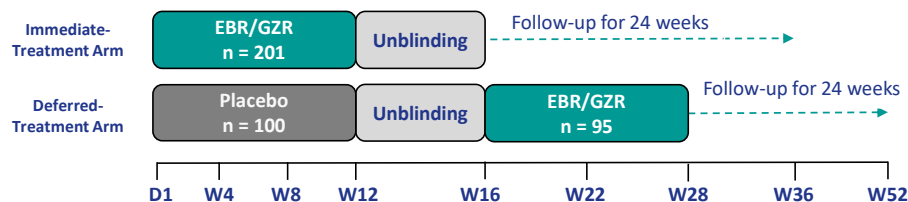
EBR, elbasvir; GT, genotype; GZR, grazoprevir; HCV, hepatitis C virus; RAS, resistance-associated substitution.

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## PART A: TRIAL DESIGN

- Phase 3, randomized trial of EBR/GZR for 12 weeks
- Participants with GT1, 4, or 6 infection on OST for  $\geq 3$  months
  - Consistently kept  $\geq 80\%$  of scheduled appointments while on OST
- Urine drug screen performed at each visit
  - Participants with positive results not excluded



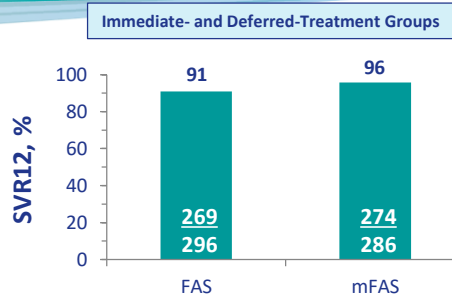
D, day; OST, opioid substitution therapy; W, week.



## PART A: EFFICACY RESULTS

### SVR12

- Full analysis set (FAS): 90.9%
  - Includes nonvirologic failures
  - Categorizes reinfection as failures
- Modified FAS (mFAS)<sup>a</sup>: 95.8%
  - Excludes nonvirologic failures
  - Categorizes reinfections as success
- High adherence
  - Ninety-seven percent of participants demonstrated >95% adherence



	FAS	mFAS
	<b>Non-SVR</b>	<b>Non-SVR</b>
Virologic failure	10	10
Administrative failure	1	1
D/c due to AE	1	1
	<b>Non-SVR</b>	<b>Excluded</b>
D/c or LTFU	10	10
	<b>Non-SVR</b>	<b>SVR</b>
Reinfection <sup>b</sup>	5	5

AE, adverse event; D/c, discontinuation; LTFU, lost to follow-up; SVR12, sustained virologic response at 12 weeks.

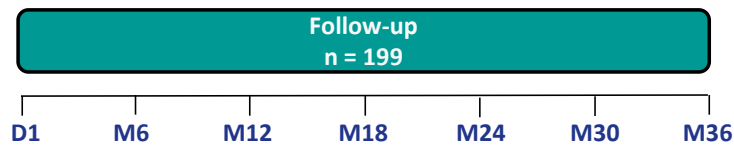
<sup>a</sup>The primary efficacy analysis is the mFAS, which excluded nonvirologic failures.

<sup>b</sup>Reinfection was defined as a new HCV infection confirmed by sequencing analysis in participants who initially cleared the original or primary HCV infection.



## PART B: 3-YEAR OBSERVATIONAL FOLLOW-UP TRIAL

- Open to all participants who received  $\geq 1$  dose of EBR/GZR in Part A
- Assessments every 6 months
  - HCV RNA<sup>a</sup>
    - Comparison of viral sequences at baseline and virologic recurrence to determine reinfection<sup>b</sup>
  - Urine drug screen
  - Participant-reported behaviors
    - Behavioral questionnaire: self-reported drug use



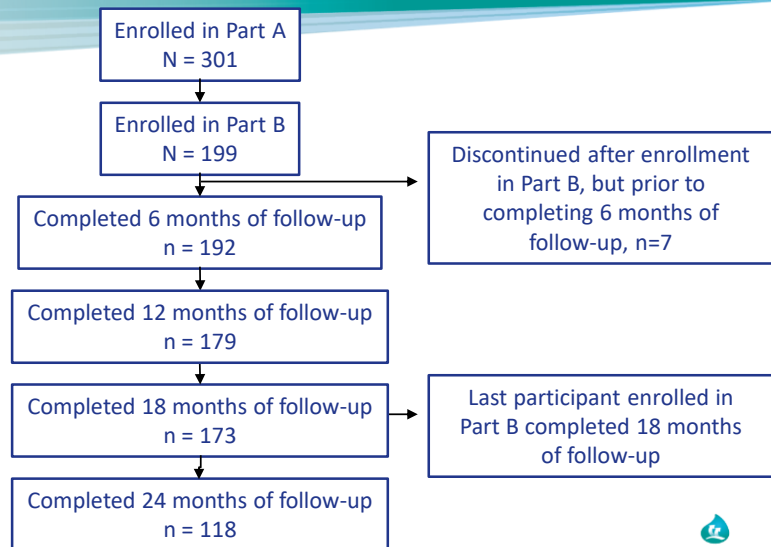
M, month.

<sup>a</sup>HCV RNA determined with Cobas® AmpliPrep/Cobas® Taqman™ HCV Test, version 2.0.

<sup>b</sup>Genotype determined by Abbott RealTime HCV Genotype II . Next-generation sequencing performed on sequences at the NS3 and NS5A regions with  $\approx 1\%$  sensitivity threshold.



## TRIAL DISPOSITION<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Results from enrollment and through all available visits are presented.



## BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS

	Participants enrolled in Part B (n = 199)	Participants not enrolled in Part B (n = 97)		Participants enrolled in Part B (n = 199)	Participants not enrolled in Part B (n = 97)
Male, n (%)	151 (76)	76 (78)	Presence of cirrhosis (F4), n (%)	44 (22)	18 (19)
Age, years, median (range)	<b>48.6 (24-66)</b>	<b>44.1 (23-64)</b>	Positive urine drug screen at enrollment of Part A, n (%)		
Race, n (%)			Amphetamines	13 (7)	4 (4)
White	158 (79)	80 (82)	Benzodiazepines	47 (24)	36 (37)
African American	31 (16)	6 (6)	Cannabinoids	46 (23)	42 (43)
Asian/other	10 (5)	11 (11)	Cocaine	19 (10)	12 (12)
HCV/HIV co-infected, n (%)	16 (8)	5 (5)	Opiates	44 (22)	23 (24)
OAT at day 1 active treatment, n (%)					
Methadone	159 (80)	75 (77)			
Buprenorphine	39 (20)	21 (22)			
Genotype, n (%)					
1a	144 (72)	81 (84)			
1b	39 (20)	5 (5)			
4	7 (4)	2 (2)			
6	2 (1)	5 (5)			
Mixed	7 (4)	4 (4)			



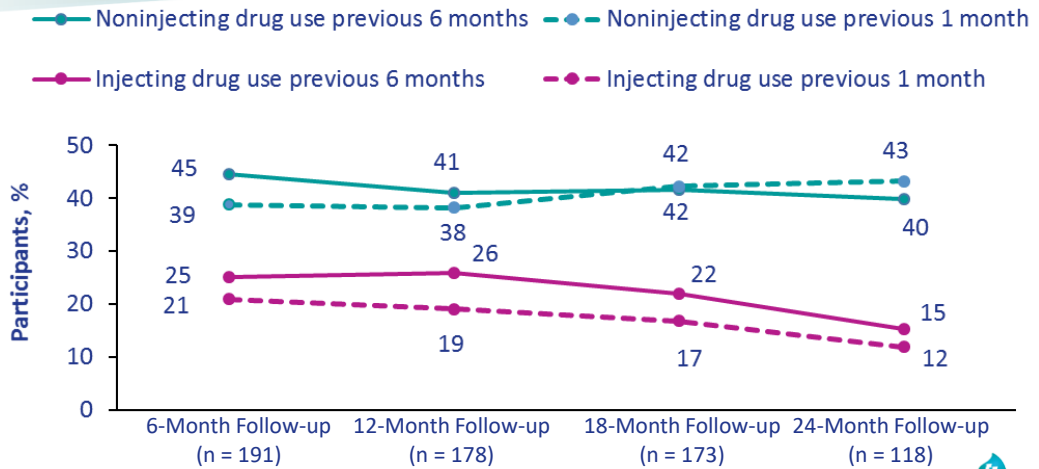
## ONGOING RISK BEHAVIOR—URINE DRUG SCREEN

	Participants With Urine Drug Screen Results					
	Part A Day 1 (n = 199)	Part B Enrollment (n = 192)	6-Month Follow-up (n = 190)	12-Month Follow-up (n = 177)	18-Month Follow-up (n = 172)	24-Month Follow-up (n = 111)
Any positive urine drug screen <sup>a</sup>	59%	60%	59%	62%	59%	60%
<b>Amphetamines</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>2%</b>
Benzodiazepines	24%	24%	23%	21%	23%	21%
Cannabinoids	23%	28%	28%	29%	28%	32%
<b>Cocaine</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Opioids</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>22%</b>

<sup>a</sup>Excludes methadone and buprenorphine.



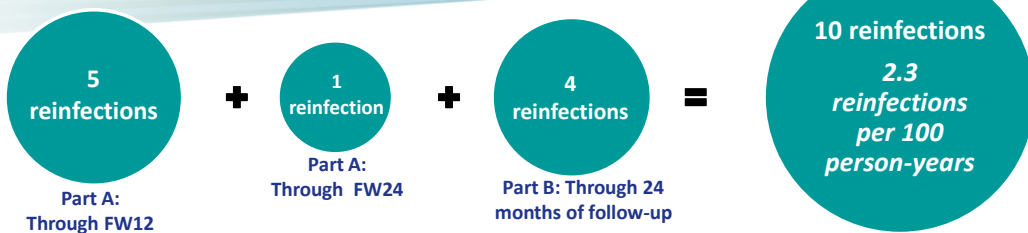
## ONGOING RISK BEHAVIOR—REPORTED DRUG USE<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Participants may have reported both injection and noninjection drug use.



## INCIDENCE OF REINFECTION



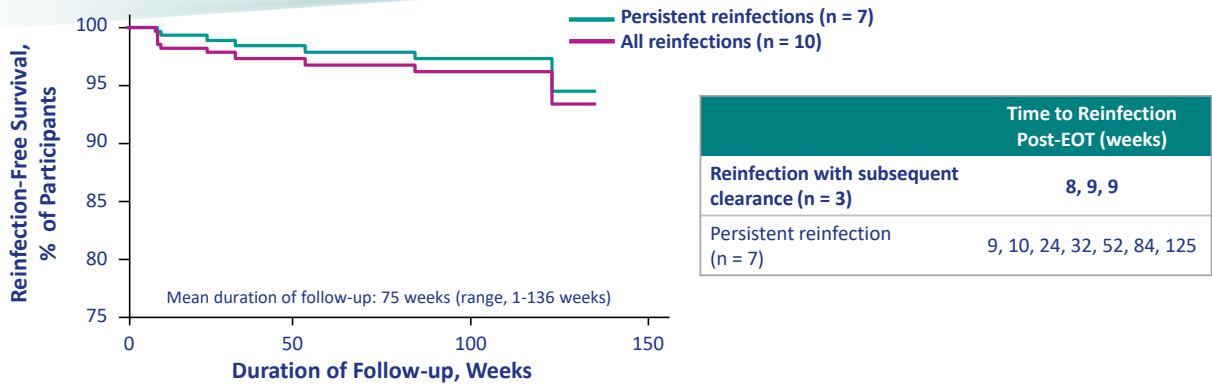
All Reinfections: From End of Treatment Through 24 Months of Follow-up		
• 10 reinfections	• 426 person-years	• 2.3 reinfections per 100 person-years (95% CI: 1.1, 4.3)
Persistent Reinfections: From End of Treatment Through 24 Months of Follow-up (includes only those participants with persistent HCV RNA)		
• 7 reinfections	• 429 person-years	• 1.6 reinfections per 100 person-years (95% CI: 0.7, 3.4)

Clearance of reinfection was observed in 3/10 (30%) reinfection cases

CI, confidence interval; FW, follow-up week.



## INCIDENCE OF REINFECTION (CONT'D)



Visit	EOT	FW12	FW24	6m FU	12m FU	18m FU	24m FU
Number at risk	296	277	265	192	179	173	118

EOT, end of treatment; FU, follow-up.



## INCREASED RISK OF REINFECTION BASED ON REPORTED INJECTION DRUG USE DURING FOLLOW-UP

**199 participants enrolled in Part B**  
 From the end of treatment through all available follow-up

**74 participants (37%)**  
 reported injection drug use

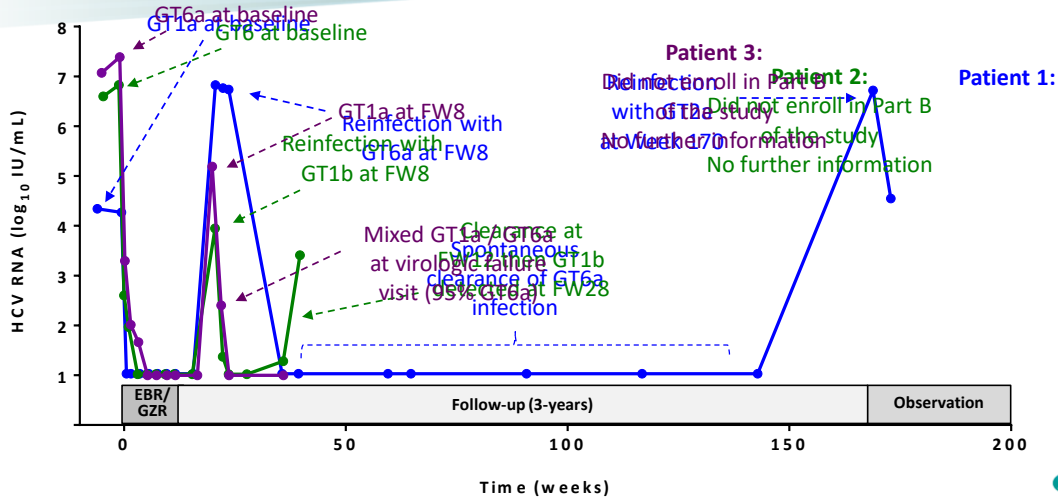
**125 participants (63%)**  
 reported NO injection drug use

**Rate of reinfection:**  
 4.2 reinfections/100 person-years  
 95% CI: 1.5, 9.2

**Rate of reinfection:**  
 0.4 reinfections/100 person-years  
 95% CI: 0.0, 2.3



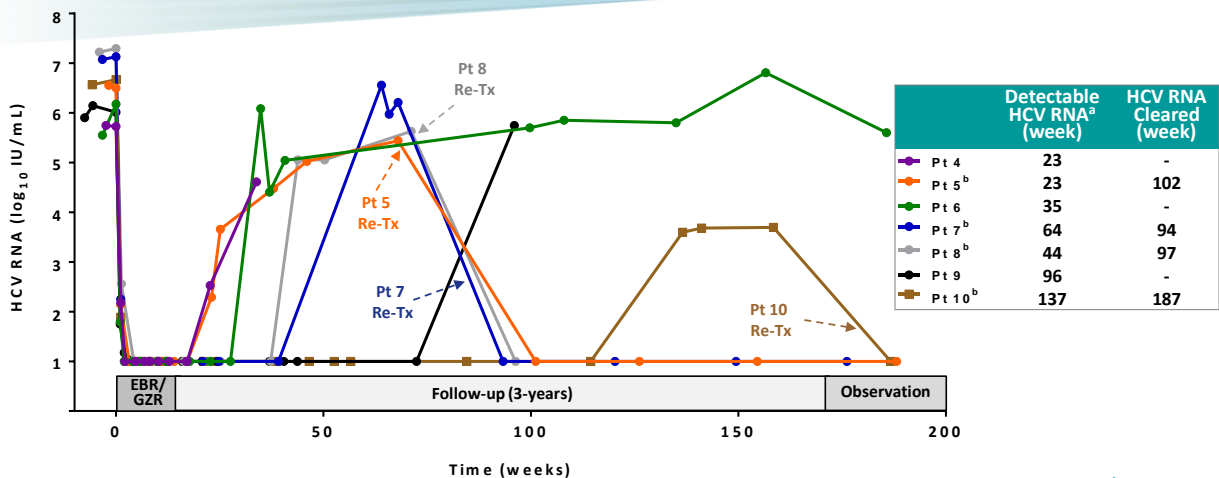
## THREE PARTICIPANTS HAD RECURRENT VIREMIA AND SUBSEQUENT SPONTANEOUS CLEARANCE



<sup>a</sup>Serum HCV RNA was assessed using the Cobas® Taqman™ HCV Test, v2.0 with a lower limit of quantitation (LLOQ) of 15 IU/mL.



## SEVEN PARTICIPANTS HAD PERSISTENT RECURRENT VIREMIA THROUGH AVAILABLE FOLLOW-UP VISITS; FOUR CLEARED WITH RETREATMENT



<sup>a</sup>Serum HCV RNA was assessed using the Cobas® Taqman™ HCV Test, version 2.0 with a LLOQ of 15 IU/mL.

<sup>b</sup>Four participants with reinfection subsequently achieved undetectable HCV RNA with retreatment (Pts 5 & 8, SOF/DAC; Pt 7, PROD; Pt 10, GLE/PIB). The time that retreatment was initiated is indicated with dashed arrow.





## CONCLUSIONS

- Drug use patterns relatively stable during the 24 months of follow-up
  - Rate of injection drug use in previous 6 months: 22-26% through 18 months follow-up
- Of the 10 participants with reinfection, persistence of reinfection was observed in 7 participants
- Overall, the reinfection rate was 2.3/100 person-years, with a persistent reinfection rate of 1.6/100 person-years
  - Higher rate of reinfection in early follow-up period may be due to more frequent follow-up
  - Reinfection rate of 4.2/100 person-years among participants with reported injection drug use
  - Seven of 10 reinfection cases had viral clearance (spontaneous, n=3; re-treatment, n=4)

