

Ocular Pharmacology Updates

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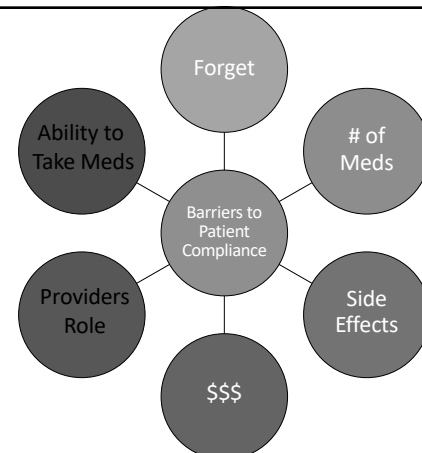
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Prescribing Considerations

- Indications
- Brand vs. generics
- Does the insurance cover prescriptions?
- Costs of medications
- Compliance
- Patient assistance

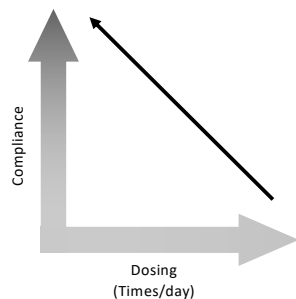


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Patient Compliance and Dosing



- Literature review of 76 studies show
 - Compliance increases with decreased dosage regimen and complexity¹
 - 79% compliance with QD regimen vs 51% for QID regimens (p=0.001)¹
 - Simpler, less-frequent dosing results in better compliance in a variety of therapeutic classes¹

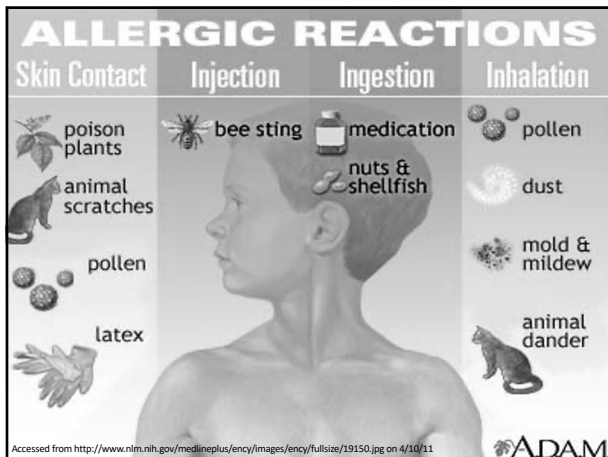
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Prescription Considerations

- Review medical history
 - Renal function
 - Liver function
- Review current medications
- Side effect vs. true allergies
- Pregnant or nursing
- Rx for children

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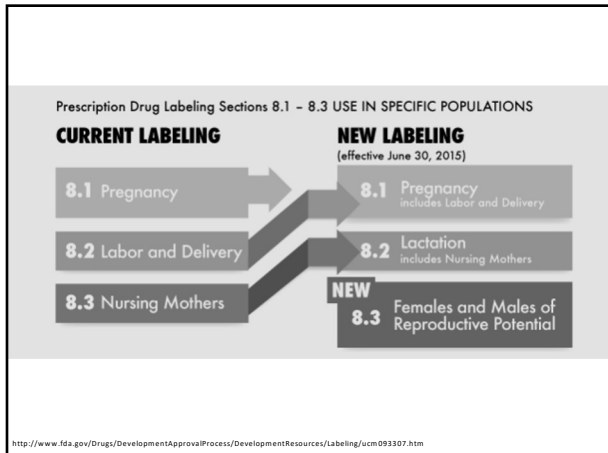


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Prescribing for Women

- Certain meds are OK in pregnancy
- Breast feeding
- Consult OB-GYN if necessary

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So What Can Be Used During Pregnancy?

- Antibiotics
 - Amoxicillin
 - Amoxicillin/clavulanate
 - Azithromycin
 - Erythromycin
- Analgesics
 - Acetaminophen
 - Ibuprofen
 - Tylenol #3
 - Vicodin
- Antivirals
 - Acyclovir
 - Valacyclovir
- Anti-inflammatory
 - Prednisone
- Allergy
 - Diphenhydramine
 - Loratadine

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What About Topical Medications During Pregnancy?

- Category B
 - Antibiotics – tobramycin
 - Allergy – alcaftadine
 - Glaucoma - brimonidine
- Category C
 - Allergy - olopatadine
 - Anti-inflammatory – steroids, cyclosporine
 - Anti-viral – ganciclovir, trifluridine

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Prescribing Considerations for Kids

1. Know the age - **12**
2. Know the weight – **88lbs**
3. Look up the dosage
 - mg/kg/day
4. Be good at math
 - Or call the pharmacist
5. Avoid
 - Tetracyclines
 - Fluoroquinolones

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Artificial Tear Supplements

- Improve comfort
- Reduce irritation and friction
- Improve ocular surface
- Store in the fridge



Source: U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). "Artificial Tears." Accessed on October 10, 2024. <https://www.fda.gov/oc/oc-topics/artificial-tears>.

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Poor Brady ☹️



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Prevalence of Allergy

- A nationwide survey found that more than half (54.6%) of all U.S. citizens test positive to one or more allergens.¹
- Allergic diseases affect as many as 40 to 50 million Americans.²
- Greater than 70% of patients with systemic allergy may manifest ocular symptoms.³

¹ Arbes SJ et al. Prevalence of positive skin test responses to 10 common allergens in the U.S. population: Results from the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. *J Allergy Clin Immunol*. 2005; 116:377-383.

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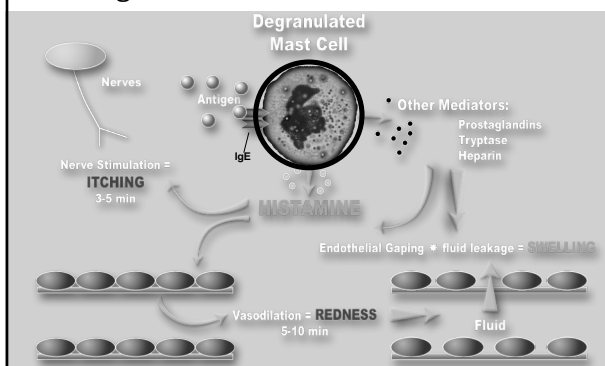
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Allergic Conjunctivitis

- Seasonal / perennial allergic conjunctivitis
- Giant papillary conjunctivitis
- Atopic keratoconjunctivitis
- Vernal keratoconjunctivitis

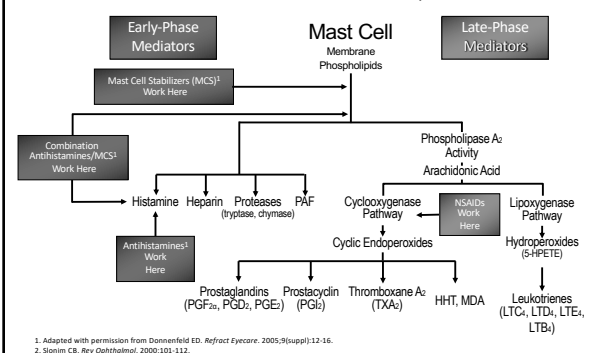
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Allergic Cascade



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Most Prescription Treatment Options Have a Limited Effect on the Inflammatory Cascade



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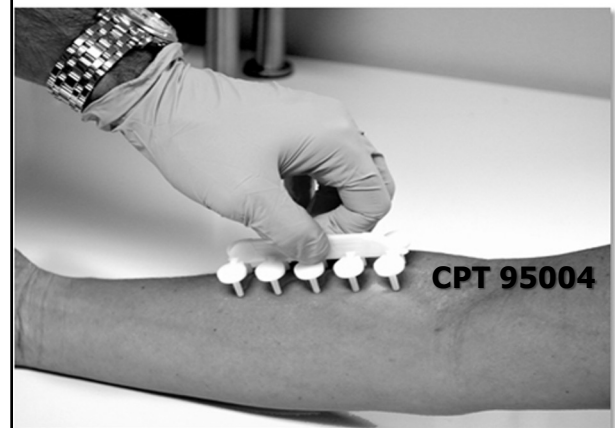
Graded Pharmacotherapy

Stepwise Treatment Strategies for Allergic Conjunctivitis	
Mild	Avoidance, cold compresses, tears, over-the-counter medications Topical antihistamines/mast cell stabilizers Oral antiallergics (allergists may already have patients on orals; may exacerbate the ocular condition while improving the nasal condition) Montelukast
Moderate	+ Mast cell stabilizers (treats allergy before mediator is released) + Combination antihistamine/mast cell stabilizers + Topical corticosteroids (most beneficial for severe outbreaks)
Severe	Topical corticosteroids (short course; fluorometholone/dexamethasone/loteprednol/prednisolone) Topical immunomodulating agents (tacrolimus, cyclosporine) Oral steroids

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ANTIGEN SKIN TESTING

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Montelukast Sodium aka Singulair

- Leukotriene receptor antagonist
- Indications:
 - Prophylaxis and chronic treatment for asthma
 - Acute prevention of exercise-induced bronchoconstriction
 - Relief of symptoms of allergic rhinitis
- 10 mg tablet qd
- Side effects
 - Behavior or mood changes, URI, fever, headache, sore throat, cough, stomach pain, diarrhea, ear ache or ear infection, flu, runny nose, and sinus infection

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12 Patient Allergy Tips

- Never rub your eyes
- Wash your hands
- Use allergy free pillows
- Stay indoors
- Use drops for eyes, sprays for nose
- Avoid "get the red" out vasoconstrictors
- Chill your drops
- Use cool compresses
- Apply allergy drops proactively
- Pets out of the house or bedroom
- Know and avoid your personal antigens
- Try Montelukast: no sedation, no drying

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Vernal Keratoconjunctivitis



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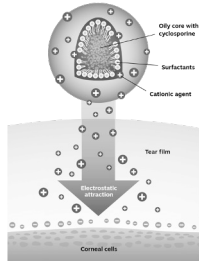
Vernal Keratoconjunctivitis

- Seasonally recurring, bilateral, and severe form of allergic inflammation affecting the ocular surface
- Uncommon
- Boys living in warm, dry, subtropical climates
- Can cause severe damage to the ocular surface, leading to corneal scarring and vision loss if not treated properly
- Symptoms: Redness, tearing, mucous discharge, itching, photophobia
- Signs: Horner-Trantas dots, shield ulcers, upper tarsal giant papillae

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Cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.1%

- Verkazia® (Santen) is a calcineurin inhibitor immunosuppressant indicated for the treatment of vernal keratoconjunctivitis in children and adults
- Dosage: QID
- Cationic charged nanosized droplets



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Clinical Data

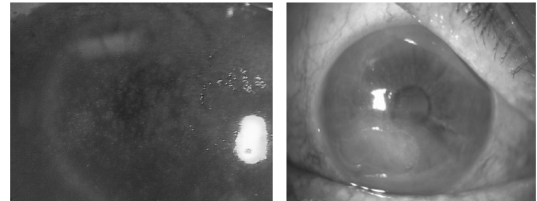
- Two randomized, multicenter, double-masked, vehicle controlled, clinical trials
- VEKTIS – patients with severe VKC were randomized to four times a daily of Verkazia 1mg/mL or two times a day of Verkazia 1mg/mL and vehicle group for the first 4 months (Period 1)
- NOVATIVE – patients with moderate to severe VKC were randomized to QID of Verkazia 1mg/mL or QID of cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.5mg/mL and vehicle group for the first month (Period 1).
- In both studies, patients randomized to the vehicle group were switched to Verkazia (QID or BID) from Month 4 to Month 12 in VEKTIS study and to cyclosporine 0.5mg/mL QID or 1 mg/mL from Month 1 to month 4 in NOVATIVE study (Period 2)

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Clinical Data

- Verkazia demonstrated improvements in inflammation of the cornea (keratitis score) and ocular itching.
- AE >5%
 - Eye pain 12%
 - Eye pruritus (8%)

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Case Example

- The 84 year old, AA female presents for 3-4 month DES check (no touch) and MMP-9 testing. Pt has a h/o DES and POAG mild OU. Pt states OS>OD has some itching. Pt states she has only been using her cyclosporine 0.05% and AT's. She never picked up fluoromethalone drops and is not using AT's ointment or a heat mask.

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Ocular Hx:

- Dry eye syndrome – 10+ yrs
- Herpes stromal keratitis OS
 - Inactive – Last episode 2020
- Anterior scleritis OS
 - Inactive
- POAG - Mild OU
- Pterygium sx OU
- Phaco / istent OU
- Previous treatments
 - Amniotic membrane OS (2019, 2020)
 - Punctal cautery (2011) OU
 - PGA OU

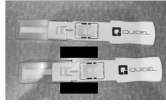
Med Hx:

- NIDDM 15 yrs
- Osteoarthritis
- Hypothyroid
- Seasonal allergies
- Meds:
 - Ceterizine
 - Lactulose
 - Levothyroxone

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Clinical Exam

- Lids / Lashes – Clear and good position
- Conjunctiva – tr injection OU
- Cornea
 - OD 2+ Inf SPK
 - OS Dense SPK, 1+ K edema
- A/C – Deep and Quiet
- PCIOL OU
- IOP – 11 mmHg OU
- K Sensitivity – OD Normal OS Reduced



Anything else we should add???

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Do you test for K sensitivity?

If so, how?

Central vs. S/I/N/T/C??

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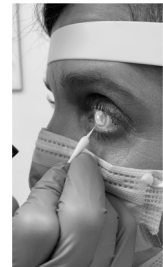
Corneal Sensation

- Greatest in the central cornea (elderly patients – more sensitive in the periphery)
- Drops rapidly as distance increases from the limbus
- Falls with increasing age
- Is not affected by iris color
- More sensitive in the temporal limbus than the inferior limbus
- Reduction has been reported in diabetes type 1 and type 2

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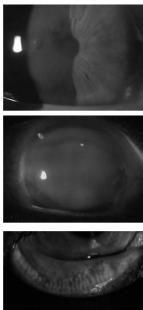
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Corneal Sensitivity Testing

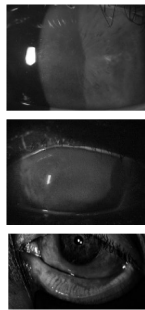


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OD



OS



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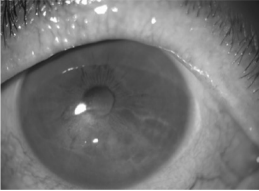
Neurotrophic Keratitis: Classification

Mackie classification

- Stage I is characterized by hyperplasia and/or irregularity of the epithelium, evolving to punctate keratopathy, corneal edema, neovascularization, stromal scarring.
- Stage II is defined by a recurrent or persistent epithelial defects or a PED without stromal thinning.
- Stage III: stromal involvement leads to corneal ulcer, melting and perforation

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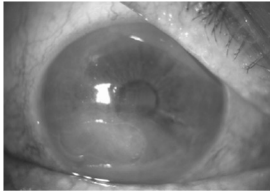
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Stage 1
Rose bengal staining of the inferior palpebral conjunctiva
Decreased TBUT
Increased mucous viscosity
Punctate corneal epithelial fluorescein staining (resembles dry eye)

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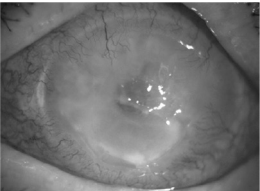
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Stage 2
Epithelial defect
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically oval in shape In central/inferior cornea Surrounded by a rim of loose epithelium Edges may become smooth and rolled
Stromal swelling with folds in the Descemet membrane
Anterior chamber inflammatory reaction may be present

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Stage 3
Corneal ulcer
Stromal lysis/melting
Perforation

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Endogenous nerve growth factor (NGF) and its role in NK:

Impaired trigeminal corneal innervation

- ↓ Lacrimation and blink reflex
- ↓ Epithelial cell vitality, metabolism, mitosis
- ↓ Epithelial trophism and repair
- ↑ Stromal and intracellular edema
- ↓ Microvilli
- ↓ Development of the basal lamina

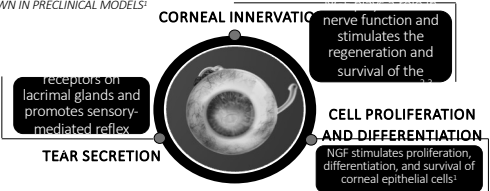
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Endogenous NGF Maintains Corneal Integrity By Three Mechanisms

Endogenous nerve growth factor acts through specific high-affinity (ie, TrkA) and low-affinity (ie, p75NTR) nerve growth factor receptors in the anterior segment of the eye to support corneal innervation and integrity.²

SHOWN IN PRECLINICAL MODELS¹



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Severity-Based Therapy

Stage	Therapy
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preservative-free artificial tears formulations Punctal occlusion Hydrogel contact lens (consider large diameter) Recombinant human NGF (rhNGF, cenegeim) Serum/plasma/platelet rich plasma
2	Supportive therapies plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> rhNGF Scleral lens (± serum/plasma) Amniotic membrane Botulinum induced ptosis, Tarsorrhaphy
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rhNGF Keratoplasty + scleral lens, tarsorrhaphy, neurotization

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Serum/Plasma Therapy

- Serum/plasma have reported efficacy as primary or adjunct therapy
- Reported success of serum alone (20-50% concentration) ranges from 71 to 100% within 90 days (Guadilla et al. Arch Soc Esp Offalmol 2013; Jeng and Dupps Cornea 2009; Plugfelder AJO 2006)
- Umbilical cord serum may be more effective and has higher concentrations of substance P and NGF than peripheral blood serum (Yoon KC et al. Ophthalmology 2007)
- Epithelial defect healed in 97.4% of stage 2-3 NK after 11 weeks of plasma rich in growth factors (PRGF) (Sanchez-Avila RM et al. Int Ophthalmol 2018)
- Serum can be used safely in combination with SiH CL. No inflammation or CL deposits were observed (Choi JA ECL 2011)

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Amniotic Membrane

- Randomized clinical trial reported healing of refractory neurotrophic ulcers with conventional therapy (lubrication plus BCL or tarsorrhaphy) or amniotic membrane transplant (AMT). Healing rates were similar in the 2 groups: 67% with conventional therapy and 73% with AMT (Khokhar S et al. Cornea 2005)
- AMT was also equivalent to autologous serum (AS) in healing neurotrophic ulcers: 70% for AS and 73% for AMT (Turkoglu E et al. Semin Ophthalmol 2014)
- Multilayer AMT recommended for deep ulcers and Descemetocoeles (Kruse F et al. Ophthalmology 1999)

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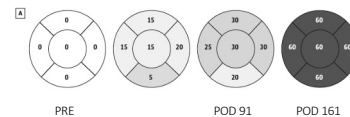
Scleral Lens

- Use of fluid filled scleral contact lenses for treatment of NK initially reported decades ago (Romero-Rangel et al. AJO 2000)
- Non-healing corneal epithelial defects with BCL healed without recurrence in all 9 eyes treated with PROSE scleral lens (Ling J et al. Am J Ophthalmol 2013)
- Overnight wear (with close monitoring) may accelerate healing (Lim P et al. AJO 2013)

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Corneal Neurotization

- Corneal sensitivity restored after sural nerve grafts (Elbaz et al. JAMA Ophthalmol 2014)
- Free sural nerve graft was coapted end-to-side with supratrochlear nerve and the distal portion of the nerve was separated into fascicles that were distributed around the limbus
- Corneal sensitivity, measured pre- and post-op with the Cochet-Bonnet esthesiometer, returned to normal after 5 months



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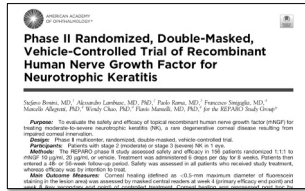
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Treatment

- Continue:
 - Cyclosporine 0.05% BID OU
 - Heat Mask
- Stop
 - Oral ceterizine
- Order
 - Cenegermin 20 mcg/mL – Patient to call once meds come in to review meds / demo proper usage
 - Ceterizine ophth sol BID OU
- Follow Up
 - 3-4 months glaucoma / Dilate OCT - G

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cenegermin-bkbj 20 mcg/ml was approved by FDA in August 2018



- Approved for the treatment of neurotrophic keratitis in adults and children age 2 and older
- Available for ordering since January 2019
- Developed by Dompé pharmaceuticals, available through specialty pharmacy

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Study Conclusions

Up to 72% of patients achieved complete corneal healing;
80% of healed patients were recurrence free after 1 year*

After 8 weeks of treatment,
6 times daily

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clinical trial sites
in Europe and
the U.S.

Study NGF0212
(REPARO)
(N=52 per
group)
European patients
with NK in one eye
NCT01756456

72.0
%
Completely
healed*

Study NGF0214
(N=24 per
group)
U.S. patients with
NK in one or both
eyes
NCT02227347

65.2
%
Completely
healed*

Of patients who healed
after one 8-week course of
treatment...

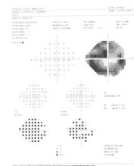
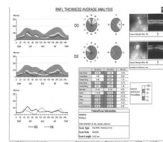
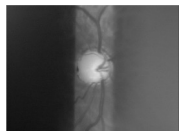
80%

Remained healed for
one year*

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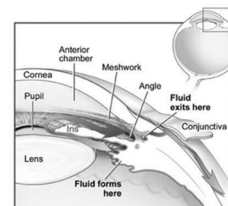
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What about Glaucoma??



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Glaucoma: Medications



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Second Line

- Another med?
 - Alpha agonist
 - Beta blocker
 - Carbonic Anhydrase inhibitor?
- Laser Treatment?
- Minimally invasive glaucoma surgery?
- Tube vs. Trab?

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Preservative Free Latanoprost Ophthalmic Solution 0.005%

- 12/15/22 FDA Approved
- Iyuzeh (latanoprost ophthalmic solution) 0.005% for the reduction of elevated IOP in patients with open-angle glaucoma or ocular hypertension.
- In randomized, controlled clinical trials, Iyuzeh lowered IOP by 3-8 mmHg versus 4-8 mmHg by Xalatan (latanoprost ophthalmic solution) 0.005%, which is preserved with BAK.
 - Mean baseline IOP 19-24mmHg
- Does not need to be refrigerated

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Omidenepag isopropyl ophthalmic solution 0.002%

- Indicated for the reduction of elevated IOP in patients with primary open-angle glaucoma or ocular hypertension
- FDA Approved 9/22/22
- Selective non-prostaglandin, prostanoid EP2 receptor agonist which increases aqueous humor drainage through the conventional (or trabecular) and uveoscleral outflow pathways

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Omidenepag Isopropyl Versus Latanoprost in Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma and Ocular Hypertension: The Phase 3 AYAME Study

Abstract

Purpose: To evaluate the efficacy and safety of omidenepag isopropyl (OMDI), a selective, non-prostaglandin, prostanoid EP2 receptor agonist, in Japanese patients with primary open-angle glaucoma (POAG) or ocular hypertension (OHT).

Design: Phase III, randomized, investigator-masked, active-controlled, parallel-group, noninferiority study (ClinicalTrials.gov#NCT03052739).

Methods: After a washout period of 1–4 weeks, eligible patients were randomized (1:1) to OMDI 0.002% or latanoprost 0.005% once daily for 4 weeks. Intraocular pressure (IOP) was measured at 9:00 AM, 1:00 PM, and 5:00 PM at weeks 1, 2, and 4. The primary endpoint was the change from baseline in mean diurnal IOP at week 4. The noninferiority margin for OMDI versus latanoprost was 1.6 mm Hg. Adverse events (AEs) were recorded.

Results: Of the 190 patients randomized, 189 had at least 1 post-baseline IOP measurement. At baseline, patients who received OMDI or latanoprost had a mean \pm SD diurnal IOP of 23.78 ± 1.73 mm Hg and 23.40 ± 1.51 mm Hg, respectively. At week 4, least-squares mean \pm SE reduction in IOP from baseline with OMDI (-5.93 ± 0.23 mm Hg) was noninferior to that of latanoprost (-6.98 ± 0.22 mm Hg; 95% confidence interval between groups: 0.01–1.26). The most frequently reported treatment-related ocular AEs (OMDI vs latanoprost) were conjunctival hyperemia (23/94 patients [24.5%] vs 10/96 patients [10.4%]), corneal thickening (11/94 patients [11.7%] vs 1/96 patients [1.0%]), and punctate keratitis (8/94 patients vs 5/96 patients [5.2%]). No serious AEs were observed in either group, and there were no discontinuations related to the study drug.

Conclusions: OMDI 0.002% was noninferior to latanoprost 0.005% in reducing IOP in patients with OHT or POAG and was well tolerated.

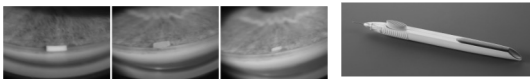
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Bimatoprost SR (Allergan) (10-microgram bimatoprost sustained-release implant)

- Biodegradable bimatoprost sustained-release implant
- FDA-approved and indicated to reduce IOP in patients with open angle glaucoma or OHT
- Single intracameral administration
- Demonstrated IOP reductions (hour 0) of 4.9–7.0 mmHg through week 15



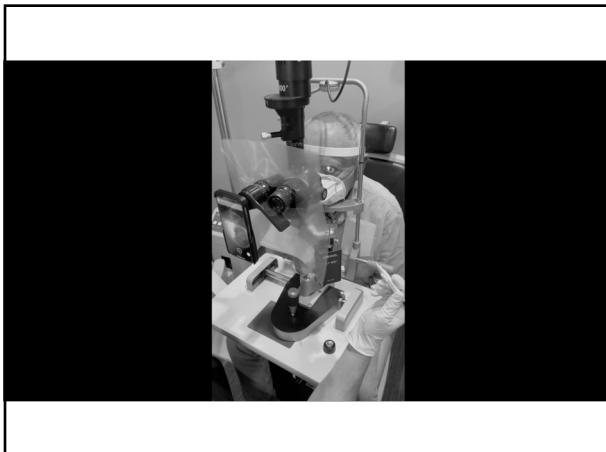
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Single Administration of Intracameral Bimatoprost Implant 10 µg in Patients with Open-Angle Glaucoma or Ocular Hypertension

- In the phase 1/2 study ($n = 21$), median time to use of additional IOP-lowering treatment (Kaplan–Meier analysis) was 273 days (approximately 9 months)
- 5 of 21 enrolled patients (23.8%) required no additional IOP-lowering treatment up to 24 months after single administration.
- In each study, after a single implant administration there were no reports of corneal edema, corneal endothelial cell loss, or corneal touch, and no patients had 20% or greater loss in corneal endothelial cell density.

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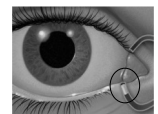
Punctal Plug Delivery Systems

Ocular Therapeutics

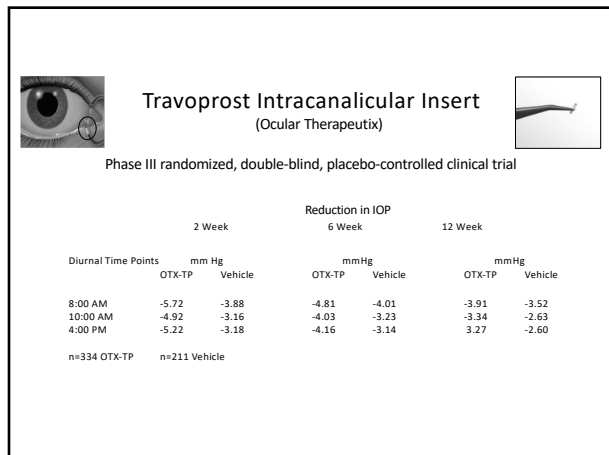
- Sustained-release travoprost in an intracanalicular depot composed of polyethylene glycol hydrogel and drug-containing microparticles
 - Drug elutes over 90 day period
 - In Phase 3 Clinical Trials

Mati Therapeutics

- Two formulations have been taken into clinical trials
 - Latanoprost and travoprost for glaucoma
 - Olopatadine for allergy relief



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Latanoprost-Eluting Contact Lens

Attractive option secondary to large residence time in the eye.

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Latanoprost-Eluting Contact Lens

- Comfort of Lens
- Patient Compliance
- Vision with Lens
- Dry Eye/Ocular Surface Disease
- Replacement Schedule

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Preclinical Trial and Results

CL_H (149g latanoprost) CL_L (97g latanoprost)

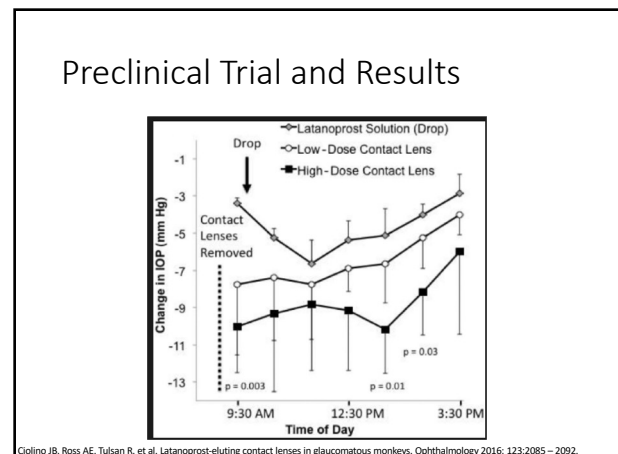
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Topical latanoprost

~ 1 week

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Ocular Surface Disease Pipeline

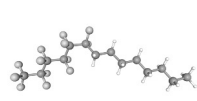
- MGD
 - AZR-MD-001 (selenium sulfide)
 - NOV03 (100% perfluorohexyloctane)
 - AXR-270
- Dry eye
 - Reproxalap, 0.25%
 - Cyclosporine, 0.1%/perfluorobutylpentane
 - OTX CSI (cyclosporine intracanalicular insert)
 - RGN-279
 - AR-15512
- Blepharitis
 - TP-03 (lotilaner)

ClinicalTrials.gov. Accessed October 18, 2022. <https://clinicaltrials.gov>
 Spiegler L. Review of Ophthalmology. February 10, 2022. Accessed October 18, 2022.
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NOV03 Perfluorohexyloctane

- Perfluorohexyloctane
 - Water Free, Preservative Free¹
 - Long-lasting lubricant¹
 - Potent inhibitor of evaporation¹

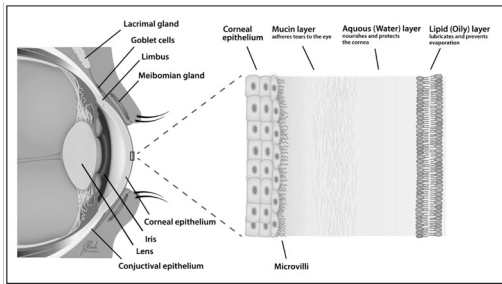


	Water-Based Technologies	NOV03
Drop size	~25-56 μL^2	~10 μL^6
Drug residual time	Brief, 5-7 min ³	Long, ~240 min ⁷
Spreading	High surface tension hinders spreading ⁴	Low surface tension ^{1,3} Fast-spreading, film-forming properties ^{1,3,5,6}
Other features	Most contain preservatives	Preservative free, ¹ no vision blurring ⁸

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NOV03: Dual Mode of Action

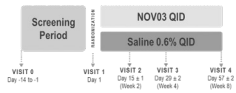


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Phase 3 Program: GOBI and MOJAVE

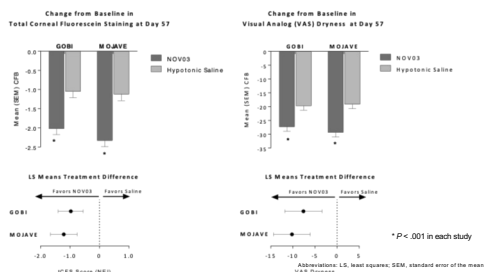
- Multicenter, randomized, double-masked, hypotonic saline (0.6%) controlled trials in patients with DED associated with MGD
- Patients aged ≥ 18 years old with self-reported history of DED in both eyes
- Patients randomly assigned 1:1 to receive NOV03 or saline 1 drop qid in both eyes for 8 weeks
- Primary outcomes:
 - CFB in tCFS (NEI scale) at day 57
 - CFB in VAS dryness score at day 57
- Secondary outcomes:
 - CFB in dryness score (VAS) at day 15
 - CFB in tCFS (NEI scale) at day 15
 - CFB of VAS burning/stinging at day 57
 - CFB in cCFS at day 57
- Safety outcomes:
 - Ocular and nonocular AEs, BCVA, slitlamp biomicroscopy, IOP, dilated funduscopy



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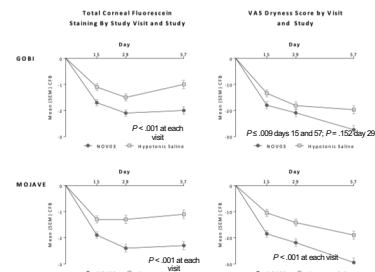
Primary Efficacy: Both Sign and Symptom End points Met



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Key Secondary End points: Improvements as early as Day 15



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NOV03 was well tolerated

GOBI			MOJAVE		
	Number of Patients (%)			Number of Patients (%)	
	NOV03 (n = 303)	SALINE (n = 294)		NOV03 (n = 311)	SALINE (n = 309)
Patients with ≥ 1 ocular study eye AE	25 (8.3)	15 (5.1)	Patients with ≥ 1 ocular study eye AE	30 (9.6)	30 (9.7)
Most common study eye AEs*			Most common study eye AEs*		
Blurred vision	9 (3.0)	1 (0.3)	Blepharitis	5 (1.6)	1 (0.3)
			Blurred vision	4 (1.3)	1 (0.3)
			Conjunctival hyperemia	4 (1.3)	5 (1.6)
			Conjunctival papillae	4 (1.3)	5 (1.6)
			Eye discharge	1 (0.3)	3 (1.0)
			Eye pain	1 (0.3)	3 (1.0)

Few patients experienced nonocular AEs
None of the nonocular AEs were considered related to treatment
Other safety assessments were unremarkable (BCVA, biomicroscopy, IOP, funduscopy)

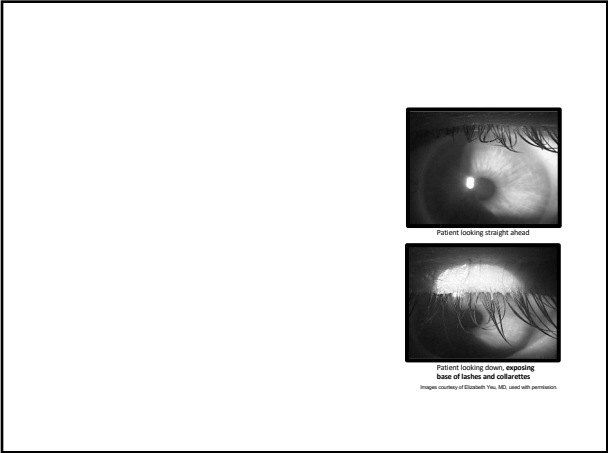
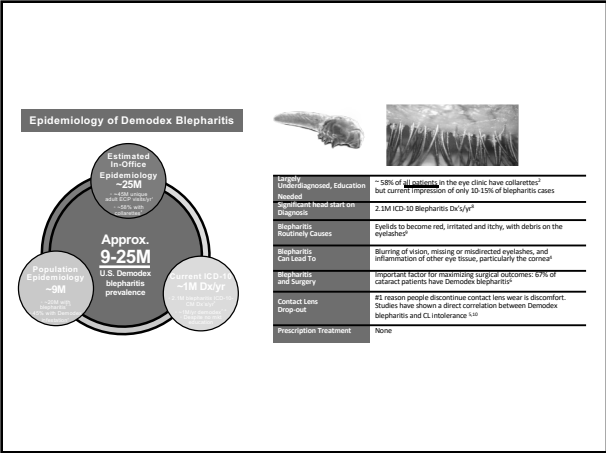
* Incidence > 1% in either treatment group

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Phase 3 Program: Conclusions

- Primary and secondary end points met for each study
- Ocular AEs were similar in severity and frequency between treatment groups; nonocular AEs were infrequent and similar between the treatment groups
- If approved, this will be the first product for the treatment of DED to need only two phase 3 studies to demonstrate efficacy on signs and symptoms

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TP-03 is a Novel Drug Designed to Treat Demodex Blepharitis by Eradicating Mites and Collarettes¹

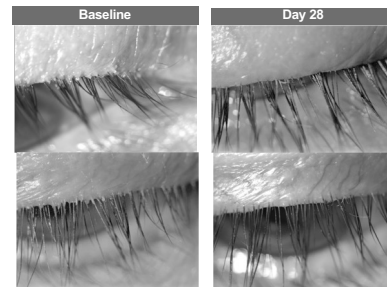
	Product Form	Multi-dose eye drop solution bottle, preserved
	Targeted Use	Treatment of Demodex blepharitis
	MOA	Paralysis and death of Demodex mites
	Diagnosis	Collarettes identified in standard eye examination
	Dosing	BID* for 6 weeks
	Efficacy Goal	1 st collarette cure, 2 nd mite eradication, 2 nd redness + collarette cure
	Safety Goal	Well-tolerated safety profile

1. TP-03 Product profile based on Saturn-1 Trial Design

*****Not FDA Approved**



Cure of Collarettes with BID Use of TP-03



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Saturn-2 Top Line Results

- Phase 3 randomized, controlled, double-masked trial evaluating the efficacy and safety of TP-03 in patients with *Demodex* blepharitis.
- Primary endpoint:** Complete collarette cure, defined as 0 to 2 collarettes per lid at day 43, was achieved by 56% of patients on TP-03, compared to 13% on vehicle ($p < 0.0001$).
 - Additionally, 89% of patients achieved a significant, clinically meaningful collarette cure defined by a collarette grade of zero (0) or one (1) at day 43 compared to 33% of those on vehicle ($p < 0.0001$).
- Secondary endpoints:**
 - Mite eradication:** Defined as a mite density of zero (0) mites per lash, was achieved by 52% of patients on TP-03 compared to 14% on vehicle ($p < 0.0001$) at day 43.
 - Complete lid erythema (redness) cure:** 31.1% of patients on TP-03 compared to 9.0% of patients on vehicle ($p < 0.0001$) achieved a complete lid erythema cure at day 43.
 - Complete composite cure:** 19.2% of patients on TP-03 achieved a complete composite cure, based on achieving both collarette cure and erythema cure, compared to 4.0% on vehicle ($p < 0.0001$) at day 43.

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Saturn-2 Top Line Results

- Safety Profile:** Consistent with Saturn-1, Saturn-2 trial results demonstrated that TP-03 was well-tolerated with a safety profile similar to the vehicle group.
 - 91% of patients reported that the drop comfort was neutral to very comfortable.
 - There were no serious treatment-related adverse events. The only adverse events occurring at a rate of $\geq 1\%$ in the TP-03 group were instillation site pain/burning/stinging (7.9%, $n=16$) and dry eye (1.5%, $n=3$).

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Activating Natural Tear Production via Trigeminal Nerve

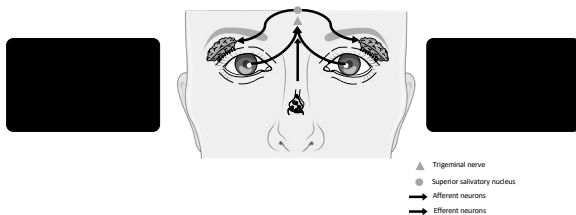
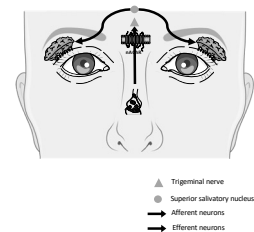


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Nasal Activation of the Trigeminal Nerve

- Research into nicotinic acetylcholine receptors (nAChR) has demonstrated they are expressed on trigeminal nerve endings and contribute detection of irritants and chemicals^{1,2}
- Direct neurostimulation of nAChR-expressing fibers has been shown to increase tear production^{3,4}



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Primary and Secondary Endpoints Achieved in a Well-Controlled Crossover Trial

Aldeyra Therapeutics Achieves Primary Endpoints in Dry Eye Disease Chamber Crossover Clinical Trial

July 15, 2022

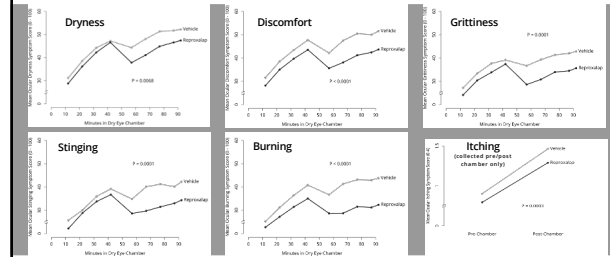
- Reproxalap Statistically Superior to Vehicle for Both Primary Endpoints of Ocular Redness (P=0.0002) and Schirmer Test (P=0.0002)
- Schirmer Test is (Non-Responder Analysis) Multiplicity-Controlled Secondary Endpoint Achieved (P=0.036)
- Secondary Endpoints Achieved for All Symptoms Assessed: Dryness (P=0.0008), Discomfort (P=0.0001), Grittiness (P=0.0001), Stinging (P=0.0001), Burning (P=0.0001), and Itching (P=0.0001)
- Company to Host Conference Call at 8:00 a.m. ET Today

LONGTON, Mass. (GLOBE NEWS WIRE) July 15, 2022 – Aldeyra Therapeutics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALDR) (NYSE) today announced the achievement of the primary endpoints in a sequence-randomized, double-masked, vehicle-controlled crossover clinical trial of 0.1% reproxalap ophthalmic solution, an investigational new drug candidate, for the treatment of dry eye disease. Reproxalap was statistically superior to vehicle for each of the two pre-specified primary endpoints, ocular redness in a dry eye chamber (P=0.0002) and Schirmer test (P=0.0002), a measure of tear production, after a single day of dosing. The secondary endpoint of Schirmer test ≥10 mm responder analysis, which was multiplicity-controlled, was also achieved (P=0.036).

- Primary Endpoints:**
- Schirmer Test (p=0.0002)
 - Ocular redness (p=0.0002)
- Secondary Endpoints:**
- ≥ 10 mm Schirmer Test responder analysis (p=0.036)
 - Dryness (p=0.0008)
 - Discomfort (p=0.0001)
 - Grittiness (p=0.0001)
 - Stinging (p=0.0001)
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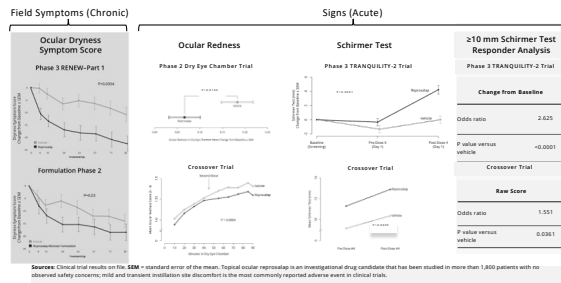
Acute Secondary Symptom Endpoints Achieved in a Dry Eye Disease Crossover Chamber Trial



P values derived from mixed effect model of repeated measures of change from baseline. Topical ocular reproxalap is an investigational new drug candidate that has been studied in more than 1,800 patients with no observed safety concerns, mild and transient instillation site discomfort is the most commonly reported adverse event in clinical trials.

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Summary of Reproxalap Data Findings in Dry Eye Disease



Sources: Clinical trial results on the **SDM** – standard error of the mean. Topical ocular reproxalap is an investigational drug candidate that has been studied in more than 1,800 patients with no observed safety concerns; mild and transient instillation site discomfort is the most commonly reported adverse event in clinical trials.

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EyeSol/Cyclosporine 0.1%

- First-of-a-kind topical treatment of cyclosporine
- Cyclosporine is soluble in the excipient perfluorobutylpentane allowing for its improved bioavailability and better efficacy on the target tissue
- Contains no oils, no surfactants and is preservative-free due to the novel carrier
- Provides additional clinical benefits for patients, such as improved tolerability and decreased visual disturbances
- Each drop 20 µl in size

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EyeSol/Cyclosporine 0.1%

- August 09, 2022 - submission of a New Drug Application (NDA) to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) seeking approval for CyclASol® (cyclosporine ophthalmic solution), a proposed novel treatment for the signs and symptoms of dry eye disease (DED)
- Over 1,000 patients with DED from a Phase 2 dose finding study, the Phase 2b/3 ESSENCE-1 study, the Phase 3 ESSENCE-2 study and its open label extension study.^{7,8}

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EyeSol/Cyclosporine 0.1% Clinical Signs

- SS reduction in total corneal fluorescein staining (tCFS) score favoring CyclASol® in both studies at Days 15 and 29.
 - Up to 71.6% of patients responded within four weeks with a clinically meaningful improvement of ≥ 3 grades in total corneal staining. This proportion of responders was significantly higher compared to vehicle-treated patients in both studies. Responders showed also statistically significant improvements in a variety of symptoms compared to non-responders at day 29.
- SS higher percentage of patients with increases of 10 mm from baseline in Schirmer's tear test score at Day 8 and Day 29

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EyeSol/Cyclosporine 0.1% Effect on Tear Production

- Maintenance of effect results from the long-term study CYS-005 confirmed that the effect of CycloSol[®] was maintained, and even improved for most endpoints, over the 52-week treatment period.
- Safety and Tolerability: Tolerability of CycloSol[®] was shown by high drop comfort patient ratings in both studies. The most common adverse reaction observed was instillation site reactions, which was reported in 8.1% of patients in the pooled studies. These were in all but one case mild. The only other adverse reaction reported in > 2% of the patients was visual acuity reduced (2.7%).

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Case Of The Red Irritated Swollen Eye

- 50 yo female with 4 week history of redness irritated tearing eyes
- Otherwise healthy hasn't ever seen an eye doctor

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.....or perhaps she has seen 6 other doctors

- 55yo F dx as chronic conjunctivitis with a 3 month history of red eyes and tearing after trials of :
 - Artificial tears
 - Antibiotic drops
 - Steroid drops
 - Antibiotic steroid combination drops
 - Stopping all drops
 - Ointments
 - Lid scrubs
 - Hot compresses
 - Cold compresses
 - Luke warm chamomile tea and honey compresses
 - Acupuncture, acupressure, meditation

if its red consider TED

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Teprotumumab (RV 001)

- An antibody directed against IGF-1, the growth factor pathway associated with the thyroid-hormone receptor
- Teprotumumab is the only medicine to date proven to reduce overall clinical severity and proptosis, and provide a sustained response.¹
- Can halt progression of active disease and reverse any changes associated with TED, and the effects are long-lasting.

Primary endpoint: 2mm reduction in proptosis
- 82.9% vs. 9.5%

N = 87

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Other Biologics for TED

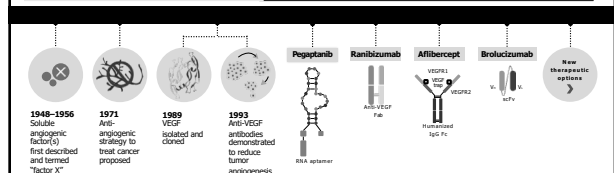
- Rituximab
 - Two large, randomized, controlled, concurrent trials were conducted: one in Europe and one in the United States
 - Unfortunately, the results were conflicting, with the European study suggesting a beneficial effect of rituximab⁶ and the United States study showing no improvement
- Tocilizumab (Actemra, Genentech)
 - Case reports of improvement in TED
 - Recently completed a randomized, controlled trial, the results of which are pending.

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Anti-VEGF Therapies Have Redefined the Care of Patients With Retinal Diseases

Historical timeline of VEGF discovery¹

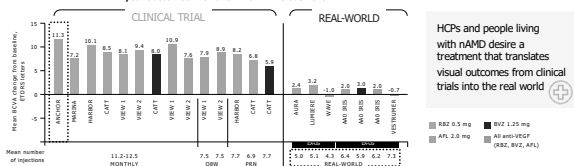
The evolution of anti-VEGF therapies for retinal disease management²⁻⁶




Fab = fragment antigen binding; Fc = fragment crystallizable; IgG = immunoglobulin G; scFv = single-chain fragment variable; VEGF = vascular endothelial growth factor; VEGFR = VEGF receptor; VH = heavy chain variable domain; VL = light chain variable domain.
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Patients with nAMD experience worse visual outcomes in the real world because they receive fewer anti-VEGF injections compared with patients receiving fixed, frequent therapy in randomized clinical trials¹



HCPs and people living with nAMD desire a treatment that translates visual outcomes from clinical trials into the real world 

AR = afferent; BCVA = best-corrected visual acuity; BVZ = bevacizumab; ETDRS = Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study; HCP = health care professional; IVT = intravitreal; N = number of eyes; OR = odds ratio; PDR = proliferative diabetic retinopathy; RSE = retinal structural evaluation; RVO = retinal vascular occlusive disorder; 1. Cullu TA et al. *Ophthalmol Retina*. 2020;4(1):1-2. Brown DM, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2006;355(14):1432-1444. 3. Busse DM, et al. *Ophthalmology*. 2013;120(5):1046-1054. 4. Heier JS, et al. *Ophthalmol Retina*. 2021;11(9):2537-2548. 5. Martin OF, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2018;378(1):73-83. 6. Rosenfeld PJ, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2006;355(4):1419-1434. 7. Holz FG, et al. *Br J Ophthalmol*. 2015;99(2):220-226. 8. Cohen SY, et al. *Retina*. 2013;33(3):474-481. 9. Finger RP, et al. *Acta Ophthalmol*. 2013;91(5):549-550. 10. Rao PI, et al. *Ophthalmology*. 2018;125(4):572-581. 11. Cullu TA, et al. *Ophthalmol Retina*. 2018;7(2):167-169.

Current Standard of Care for nAMD Involves Frequent Injections

Drug	Hallmark Trial	Dose	Key Finding(s)	Safety
Bevacizumab	CATT	1.25 mg Q4W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mean BCVA +7.8 letters over 24 months • BCVA and CRT comparable to ranibizumab q4w 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher systemic adverse events with bevacizumab
Ranibizumab	ANCHOR/MARINA	0.5 mg monthly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mean BCVA +6.5 to +10 letters over 24 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.3% - 2.1% endophthalmitis • 6.2% - 10% ocular inflammation $\geq 1+$
Aflibercept	VIEW1/VIEW2	2 mg Q4W or 2 mg Q8W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aflibercept noninferior to ranibizumab q4w • Mean BCVA +8.4 to +9.3 letters over 52 weeks • Comparable fluid resolution between groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endophthalmitis in 1% in each group in VIEW1, 0.0% in VIEW2
Brolucizumab	HAWK/HARRIER	6 mg Q8W or 6 mg Q12W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noninferior to aflibercept • Mean BCVA +5.1 to +6.6 letters over 48 weeks • Superior fluid resolution compared to aflibercept 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endophthalmitis 1% Inflammation 4+ • Rare post-marketing reports of vasculitis

CR1 = central retinal thickness; Q4W = every 4 weeks; Q12W = every 12 weeks.

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Novel & Pipeline Therapeutic Agents & Treatment Delivery Systems for AMD/DME in Early- or Late-stage Development to Offer Extended Duration of Action via Various Mechanisms or Delivery

- [illegible]



AMD = age-related macular degeneration; DME = diabetic macular edema

Conclusions

- Exciting times to be an OD!
- More and more innovations are on the way!
- Practice to the highest level of our great profession!!
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