

Daclatasvir Plus Sofosbuvir With or Without Ribavirin for the Treatment of Chronic HCV in Patients Coinfected With HIV: Interim Results of a Multicenter European Compassionate Use Program

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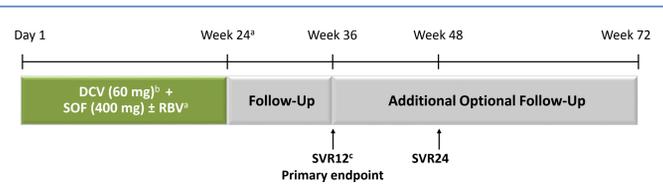
BACKGROUND

- HCV-related liver disease is a leading cause of morbidity and mortality among HIV/HCV coinfecting patients¹
- Patients with HIV/HCV coinfection have increased risk of accelerated liver disease progression to cirrhosis and hepatic decompensation¹
- Interferon-free regimens that can be co-administered with antiretroviral (ARV) therapy safely and with minimal drug-drug interactions are needed
- The pangenotypic, all-oral, RBV-free 12-week regimen of DCV and SOF was well tolerated and achieved 97% SVR rates in HIV/HCV coinfecting patients receiving a wide range of ARVs in clinical trials (ALLY-2 study)²
- An extensive early access program provided access to DCV before market authorization to ≈ 7000 patients in urgent need of treatment
- Here we report interim results on the combination DCV plus SOF, with or without RBV in HIV/HCV coinfecting patients enrolled in a European compassionate use program (CUP; A1444-237)³

RBV, ribavirin; DCV, daclatasvir (NS5A inhibitor); SOF, sofosbuvir (NS5B inhibitor)

EUROPEAN DCV COMPASSIONATE USE PROGRAM

Primary objective: To provide access to DCV to patients with life-threatening chronic HCV infection who have no other treatment options



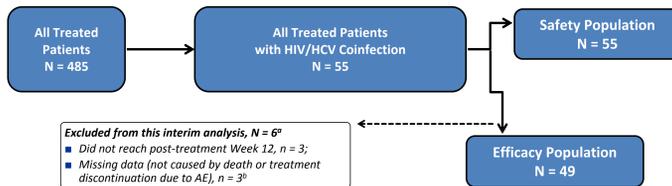
* Addition of RBV and shorter duration of treatment at the discretion of the physician
 † HCV RNA < LLOQ, TD or TND at post-treatment Week 12 (next value carried backward approach)

‡ Dose adjusted for concomitant ARVs: DCV 30 mg in combination with boosted protease inhibitors (PI); DCV 90 mg in combination with non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors (NNRTI) except rilpivirine (RPV); No dose adjustment required in combination with integrase inhibitors (INI).

- Inclusion criteria**
- Age ≥ 18 years with no treatment options
 - High risk of hepatic decompensation or death within 12 months if left untreated
 - Or urgent need of viral clearance (extrahepatic manifestations/comorbidities)
- Exclusion criteria**
- Creatinine clearance ≤ 30 mL/min
 - Pregnancy or not using contraception

STATISTICAL METHODS

Interim Analysis



- Primary Efficacy Analysis (mITT):**
 - SVR12: HCV RNA < LLOQ, TD or TND at post treatment Week 12²
 - Patients with missing data who died, discontinued treatment due to AEs, or had virological breakthrough / relapse before post-treatment Week 12 were classified as failures
- Safety Analysis:**
 - Clinical (AE, serious AE, AE leading to discontinuation and death) and laboratory abnormalities

* All excluded patients had HCV RNA < LLOQ, TD or TND at EOT (Week 24) or at the last available assessment (on-treatment Week 12).
 † Includes 1 patient (DCV + SOF) with post-treatment Week 12 visit outside the predefined visit window (± 2 weeks); HCV RNA < LLOQ TND at actual post-treatment Week 12 visit.
 ‡ Next value carried backward approach.

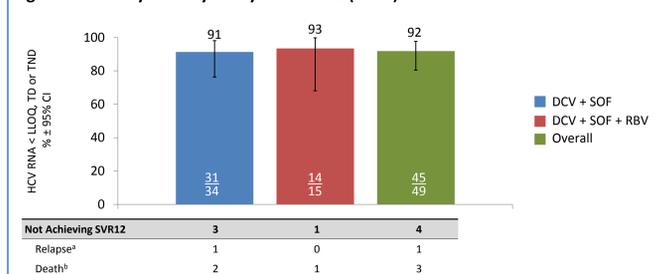
RESULTS

Table 1. Baseline Demographic and Disease Characteristics

Parameter	DCV + SOF N = 39	DCV + SOF + RBV N = 16	All Patients N = 55
Age, median (range), years	52.0 (37–67)	50.5 (31–60)	52.0 (31–67)
Male, n (%)	30 (77)	15 (94)	45 (82)
White race, n (%)	36 (92)	16 (100)	52 (95)
HCV genotype, n (%)			
1a	20 (51)	6 (37.5)	26 (47)
1b	6 (15)	2 (12.5)	8 (15)
3	9 (23)	6 (37.5)	15 (27)
4	3 (8)	0	3 (5)
Mixed or unknown	1 (3)	2 (12.5)	3 (5)
HCV RNA, median (range) log ₁₀ IU/mL ^{a,b}	5.9 (1.1–6.7)	6.1 (1.4–7.1)	6 (1.1–7.1)
HCV RNA ≥ 2,000,000 IU/mL, n (%) ^{a,b}	7 (18)	5 (31)	12 (22)
Cirrhosis, n (%) ^{c,d}	38 (97)	14 (88)	52 (95)
Child-Pugh class, n (%) ^{e,f}			
A	19 (50)	6 (43)	25 (48)
B	16 (42)	7 (50)	23 (44)
C	2 (5)	1 (7)	3 (5)
MELD score, median (range)	10 (5–18)	11 (7–28)	10.5 (5–28)
Albumin, median (range) mg/L ^g	35.9 (25–51)	35.9 (25–50)	35.9 (25–51)
Platelets, median (range) × 10 ⁹ /L ^h	86 (24–306)	101 (31–178)	89 (24–306)
Prior HCV therapy, n (%)	23 (59)	8 (50)	31 (56)
HBV coinfection, n (%)	3 (8)	0	3 (5)
HIV RNA ≤ 50 copies/mL, n/N (%) ⁱ	22/23 (96)	7/9 (78)	29/32 (91)
CD4 cell count category, n (%)			
< 200/mm ³	N = 22 3 (14)	N = 7 1 (14.5)	4 (14)
200–< 350/mm ³	11 (50)	2 (28.5)	13 (45)
350–< 500/mm ³	1 (4)	2 (28.5)	3 (10)
≥ 500/mm ³	7 (32)	2 (28.5)	9 (31)
Antiretroviral regimens ^j			
Ritonavir-boosted PI (PI/r) – based, n (%)	15 (38)	9 (56)	24 (44)
Atazanavir	3	2	5
Darunavir	8	4	12
Lopinavir	3	3	6
Fosamprenavir	1	0	1
NNRTI-based, n (%)	5 (13)	4 (25)	9 (16)
Efavirenz	3	3	6
Nevirapine	1	0	1
Rilpivirine	1	1	2
Integrase inhibitor (INI) – based, n (%)	17 (44)	3 (19)	20 (36)
Raltegravir	14	2	16
Dolutegravir	3	1	4
Other (unboosted PI), n (%)	2 (5)	0	2 (4)

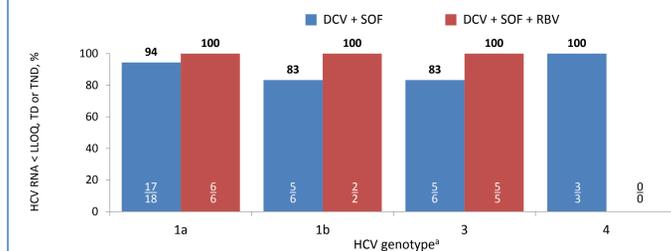
^a Excludes 3 patients with missing data; ^b HCV RNA assayed using the standard methods available at each site; ^c Diagnosed by liver biopsy (Metavir ≥ F3, Ishak ≥ 4, or the equivalent), n = 3; FibroScan ≥ 14.6 kPa), n = 40; or FIB-4 score (≥ 3.25), n = 9; ^d 2 patients (1 DCV + SOF, 2 DCV + SOF + RBV) had indeterminate cirrhosis status; ^e Percentages based on cirrhotic patients; ^f Excludes 1 patient (DCV + SOF) with missing data; ^g Excludes 11 patients with missing data; ^h Excludes 1 patient with missing data; ⁱ Percentages based on patients with available data (N = 31); ^j Patients who received PI/r, except 1 (LPV/r-based regimen) received DCV 30 mg at baseline (2 patients increased DCV dose to 60 mg at Week 12); DCV dose was adjusted to 90 mg in patients taken EFV or NVP; No dose adjustment (DCV 60 mg) in patients treated with INI, RPV or unboosted PI.

Figure 2. Primary Efficacy Analysis – SVR12 (mITT)



^a Treatment-experienced (non-responder), cirrhotic patient (Child-Pugh B / MELD score 18) with HCV GT-1b infection (baseline HCV RNA, 5.31 log₁₀ IU/mL) who received treatment with DCV (30 mg) + SOF for 24 weeks; ARV regimen: TDF/FTC + FPV/r.
^b All deaths considered unrelated to program therapy.
 Relapse defined as confirmed HCV RNA ≥ LLOQ during any post-treatment visit following HCV RNA < LLOQ, TD or TND, at end-of-treatment.

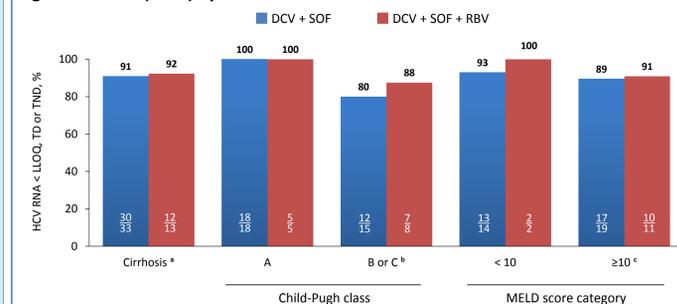
Figure 3. SVR12 (mITT) by HCV Genotype



^a Excludes 3 patients: 1 patient (DCV+SOFRBV) with unknown genotype achieved SVR12; 2 patients had mixed genotype infections, 1 (DCV + SOF) achieved SVR12 and 1 (DCV + SOF + RBV) died for reasons unrelated to program therapy (non-SVR12).

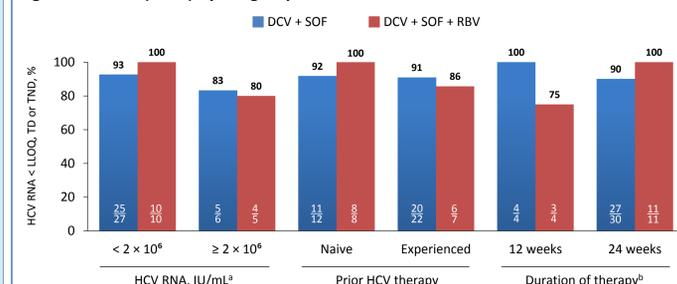
RESULTS (cont)

Figure 4. SVR12 (mITT) by Liver Disease Status



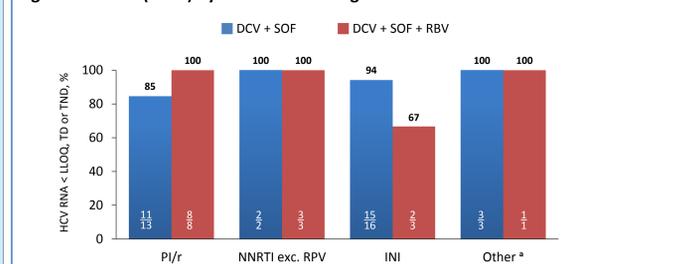
^a Excludes 3 patients with indeterminate cirrhosis status; all achieved SVR12. No patients without cirrhosis were enrolled.
^b 3 patients had Child-Pugh class C; 1 of 3 (DCV + SOF) achieved SVR12; 2 died for reasons unrelated to program therapy (non-SVR12).
^c 4 patients had MELD scores 16–20 (2 of 4 achieved SVR12); 1 patient had a MELD score > 25 (non-SVR12 due to death).

Figure 5. SVR12 (mITT) by Subgroups



^a Excludes 1 patient with unknown baseline HCV RNA level (achieved SVR12).
^b Duration of therapy estimated based on time of exposure to treatment: 12-week arm includes 4 patients who received treatment < 12 weeks (3 achieved SVR12; 1 death); 24-week arm includes 1 patient who received treatment < 20 weeks (achieved SVR12).

Figure 6. SVR12 (mITT) by Antiretroviral Regimen



^a Includes: RPV-based, n = 2 (1 DCV + SOF, 1 DCV + SOF + RBV); unboosted PI (n = 2) (DCV + SOF); all 4 were treated with the DCV 60 mg dose. PI/r, boosted protease inhibitor regimen; NNRTI, non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor regimen; INI, integrase inhibitor regimen.

Figure 7. Changes in Liver Function From Baseline

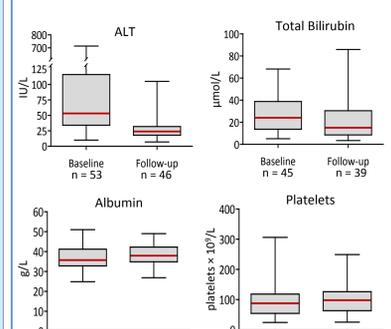
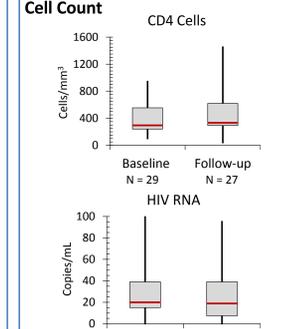


Figure 8. Changes in HIV RNA/CD4 Cell Count



RESULTS (cont)

Table 2. On-Treatment Safety Summary

Patients, n (%)	DCV + SOF N = 39	DCV + SOF + RBV N = 16	All Patients N = 55
Total AEs, n (%)	28 (72)	11 (69)	39 (71)
Serious AEs, n (%)	9 (23)	3 (19)	12 (22)
Treatment-related serious AEs	0	0	0
AEs leading to discontinuation or death ^a	5 (13)	2 (13)	7 (13)
Anemia	-	1 (6)	1 (2)
Arthralgia	1 (3)	-	1 (2)
Hepatocellular carcinoma	1 (3)	-	1 (2)
Pneumonia ^b	1 (3)	-	1 (2)
Psychotic disorder	1 (3)	-	1 (2)
Deaths ^c	2 (5)	1 (6)	3 (5)
Multi-organ failure ^b	1 (3)	-	1 (2)
Alcohol consumption	1 (3)	-	1 (2)
Myocardial infarction	-	1 (6)	1 (2)
Most frequent AEs (≥ 5% of patients)			
Headache	5 (13)	1 (6)	6 (11)
Fatigue	2 (5)	2 (13)	4 (7)
Anemia	4 (10)	0	4 (7)
Diarrhea	3 (8)	1 (6)	4 (7)
Nausea	2 (5)	2 (13)	4 (7)
Vomiting	1 (3)	2 (13)	3 (5)
Treatment-emergent grade 3 or 4 laboratory abnormalities, n (%)			
Hemoglobin < 90 g/L	0	1 (6)	1 (2)
ALT > 5 × ULN	0	0	0
AST > 5 × ULN	0	0	0
Total bilirubin > 2.5 × ULN ^d	3 (9)	3 (25)	6 (13)
Creatinine > 1.9 × ULN	0	0	0

^a 1 event (arthralgia) considered possibly treatment-related; ^b More than 1 event reported in the same patient; ^c All deaths considered unrelated to program therapy; ^d 3 patients taking ATV-based regimens.

- No HIV virologic failure reported during the program period

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

- In a real-world setting, treatment with DCV + SOF ± RBV achieved a high SVR12 rate (92%) in 49 patients with HIV/HCV coinfection, including 46 with compensated or decompensated cirrhosis
 - Similar SVR12 was observed in patients treated with or without RBV
 - Only 1 virologic failure (relapse, treated with DCV 30 mg)
- Similarly high SVR12 rates across wide range of concomitant antiretroviral regimens
 - Control of HIV disease indicators was maintained during HCV therapy
- Improvements in ALT and total bilirubin were observed between baseline and post-treatment Week 12
 - DCV + SOF ± RBV was generally safe and well tolerated
 - No treatment-related serious AEs; few treatment-emergent grade 3 or 4 lab abnormalities
- These results indicate that DCV + SOF + RBV achieves high SVR12 rates and is well tolerated in patients with HIV/HCV coinfection, including patients with advanced liver disease

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