

Biktarvy[®] (BIC/FTC/TAF) Study 4030

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Study 4030 in Virologically Suppressed PWH

Study Design and Demographics

Study 4030 was a phase 3, randomized, double-blind, multicenter, active-controlled study that evaluated the efficacy of BIC/FTC/TAF (n=284) vs DTG + FTC/TAF (n=281) in virologically suppressed PWH, including those with known baseline resistance mutations. Eligible participants were adults currently receiving treatment with DTG + FTC/TAF or DTG + FTC/TDF, with HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL for ≥3 months if NRTI-R was not known or suspected or ≥6 months if NRTI-R was known or suspected, with no documented INSTI-R or confirmed virologic failure during treatment with an INSTI-containing regimen, and with eGFR_{CG} ≥30 mL/min. Known or suspected resistance to NRTIs, PIs, and/or NNRTIs was permitted. The primary endpoint was the proportion of participants with plasma HIV-1 RNA ≥50 c/mL at Week 48 by FDA Snapshot analysis, with a prespecified noninferiority margin of 4%. Participants were randomly assigned in a 1:1 ratio to switch to BIC/FTC/TAF or DTG + FTC/TAF; randomization was stratified according to NRTI-R category at screening based on historical genotype.¹ Baseline demographics and characteristics are presented in Table 1.

Table 1. Study 4030: Baseline Demographics and Disease Characteristics¹

Key Demographics and Characteristics		BIC/FTC/TAF (n=284)	DTG + FTC/TAF (n=281)
Age, median (range), years		51 (22–79)	50 (20–79)
Female, n (%)		39 (14)	41 (15)
Race, n (%)	White	200 (71)	199 (72)
	Black	68 (24)	61 (22)
	Other	9 (3)	13 (5)
	Asian	3 (1)	3 (1)
	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2 (1)	1 (<1)
Ethnicity, n (%)	Hispanic or Latino	61 (22)	49 (18)
HIV-1 RNA, n (%)	<50 c/mL	276 (97)	275 (98)
	≥50 c/mL	8 (3)	6 (2)

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CD4 count, median (IQR), cells/ μ L	659 (486–885)	642 (462–791)

Abbreviation: CD4=clusters of differentiation-4.

Historical genotypes were collected at screening, and retrospective proviral DNA genotyping was attempted on baseline samples, if available. Overall, baseline genotypic data were available for 83% of participants (470/565; Table 2).²

Table 2. Study 4030: Baseline Genotypic Analysis²

Category	NRTI RAMs	Participants, n (%)			
		At Randomization ^a	Final ^a	BIC/FTC/TAF (n=284)	DTG + FTC/TAF (n=281)
1 ^b	K65R/E/N or \geq 3 TAMs	15 (3)	30 (5)	16 (6)	14 (5)
2 ^c	Other NRTI resistance	63 (11)	108 (19)	55 (19)	53 (19)
3 ^d	No NRTI mutation	487 (86)	427 (76)	213 (75)	214 (76)

^aTwenty participants were stratified to Categories 1 or 2 based on investigator-suspected NRTI-R that was not confirmed by genotyping.

^bResistance Category 1: high-level NRTI resistance, defined as K65R/E/N or \geq 3 TAMs, including M41L or L210W, or T69 insertions.

^cResistance Category 2: any other pattern of NRTI resistance, including M184V/I, K70E/G/M/Q/S/T, L74V/I, V75A/S/M/T, Y115F, T69D, Q151M, M41L, D67N, K70R, L210W, T215F/Y, or K219E/N/Q/R.

Efficacy Results

Switching to BIC/FTC/TAF demonstrated noninferior efficacy (HIV-1 RNA \geq 50 c/mL) according to FDA Snapshot analysis compared with staying on DTG + FTC/TAF at Week 48 (0.4% [1/284] vs 1.1% [3/281]; difference, -0.7%; 95% CI: -2.8% to 1%). At Week 48, 93.3% of participants (265/284) receiving BIC/FTC/TAF and 91.1% of participants (256/281) receiving DTG + FTC/TAF had HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL according to FDA Snapshot analysis (difference, 2.2%; 95% CI: -2.3% to 6.8%).¹

Preexisting resistance analyses

Rates of virologic suppression were high (89–100%) regardless of preexisting resistance (Table 3).²

Table 3. Study 4030: Week 48 Virologic Outcomes by Class of Preexisting Resistance (FDA Snapshot Analysis and LOCF)²

Resistance Category	HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL at Week 48, n/N (%)		
	BIC/FTC/TAF (n=284)	DTG + FTC/TAF (n=281)	Treatment Differences, % (95% CI)
FDA Snapshot analysis			
Overall	265/284 (93.3)	256/281 (91.1)	2.2 (-2.3 to 6.8)
1: K65R/E/N or \geq 3 TAMs ^a	15/16 (94)	14/14 (100)	-6.3 (-30.7 to 19.4)
2: Other NRTI resistance ^b	51/55 (93)	51/53 (96)	-3.5 (-14.2 to 6.9)
3: No NRTI mutations	199/213 (93)	191/214 (89)	4.2 (-1.3 to 9.9)
LOCF method^c			
Overall	282/283 (99.6)	276/279 (98.9)	-
1: K65R/E/N or \geq 3 TAMs ^a	16/16 (100)	14/14 (100)	-
2: Other NRTI resistance ^b	55/55 (100)	53/53 (100)	-
3: No NRTI mutation	211/212 (99)	209/212 (98)	-

Resistance Category	HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL at Week 48, n/N (%)		
	BIC/FTC/TAF (n=284)	DTG + FTC/TAF (n=281)	Treatment Differences, % (95% CI)
M184V/I	47/47 (100)	34/34 (100)	
NRTI-R	63/63 (100)	55/55 (100)	
NNRTI-R	60/61 (98)	57/57 (100)	
PI-R	15/15 (100)	23/23 (100)	
INSTI-R	15/15 (100)	5/5 (100)	

Abbreviations: LOCF=last observation carried forward; NNRTI-R=non-nucleos(t)ide reverse transcriptase inhibitor resistance; PI-R=protease inhibitor resistance.

^bResistance Category 1: high-level NRTI resistance, defined as K65R/E/N or ≥3 TAMs, including M41L or L210W, or T69 insertions.

^bResistance Category 2: any other pattern of NRTI resistance, including M184V/I, K70E/G/M/Q/S/T, L74V/I, V75A/S/M/T, Y115F, T69D, Q151M, M41L, D67N, K70R, L210W, T215F/Y, or K219E/N/Q/R.

^cLOCF analysis did not include 1 participant in the BIC/FTC/TAF group and 2 participants in the DTG + FTC/TAF group who had no on-treatment post baseline data.

A multivariate logistic regression model was used in participants (n=470) with baseline historical and/or proviral DNA genotype data to assess predictors of baseline NRTI-R and M184V/I mutation (Table 4).²

Table 4. Study 4030: Multivariate Logistic Regression Model of Predictors of Preexisting NRTI-R or M184V/I Mutation²

Variable	Any NRTI Mutation Present		M184V/I Present	
	OR (95% CI)	P-Value	OR (95% CI)	P-Value
Time since ART start (per year)	1.1 (1.1–1.2)	<0.0001	1.1 (1.1–1.2)	<0.0001
Prior PI-containing regimen	2 (1.2–3.5)	0.0116	2.2 (1.1–4.3)	0.0189
Black race vs non-Black race	2.1 (1.2–3.6)	0.0106	2.5 (1.4–4.6)	0.0026
History of PI resistance	3 (1.3–6.9)	0.0123	2.6 (1.1–6)	0.0295
History of NNRTI resistance	2.4 (1.4–4)	0.0014	2.7 (1.5–4.7)	0.0007

Abbreviations: ART=antiretroviral therapy; OR=odds ratio.

Viral blip analysis²

Viral blips were defined as incidences of HIV-1 RNA ≥50 c/mL after HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL and followed by a return to HIV-1 RNA <50 c/mL. Overall, viral blips occurred in 0.5% of participants in the BIC/FTC/TAF group and in 0.4% of participants in the DTG + FTC/TAF group. Through Week 48, 15 participants (2.7%; BIC/FTC/TAF, n=8; DTG + FTC/TAF, n=7) experienced ≥1 viral blip; 1 participant in the BIC/FTC/TAF group had baseline Category 1 NRTI resistance (3 TAMs and M184I), 1 participant in the DTG + FTC/TAF group had baseline Category 2 resistance (M184V), and 13 participants had baseline Category 3 resistance (no NRTI resistance). One participant in the BIC/FTC/TAF group without baseline NRTI-R experienced 2 blips.

Treatment-emergent resistance analysis²

Phenotypic and genotypic resistance testing for integrase, protease, and reverse transcriptase were performed for any participant who met the following criteria for the resistance analysis population: confirmed viral rebound of HIV-1 RNA ≥50 c/mL with a follow-up HIV-1 RNA ≥200 c/mL through Week 48, had HIV-1 RNA ≥200 c/mL at Week 48 or their last study visit, or without a follow-up viral load assessment at the last visit, and did not resuppress while on study drug. Three participants (1%), all from the DTG + FTC/TAF group and with no baseline NRTI-R, met the criteria for resistance analysis; 2 participants had

confirmed virologic failure, and 1 participant had HIV-RNA ≥ 200 c/mL at the Week 48 visit. No treatment-emergent genotypic or phenotypic resistance to study drugs was detected.

Safety Results¹

Both treatments were well tolerated, and most AEs were mild or moderate in severity. The most commonly reported AEs (incidence, $\geq 10\%$) in the BIC/FTC/TAF group and DTG + FTC/TAF group were nasopharyngitis (11% and 10%, respectively), diarrhea (8% and 10%), and upper respiratory tract infection (7% and 11%). Drug-related AEs that occurred in $\geq 2\%$ of participants in either group were diarrhea (1% and 2%, respectively) and headache (1% and 2%). Six participants (2%) in each arm discontinued the study because of AEs. One participant in the BIC/FTC/TAF group died of cardiopulmonary arrest, which the study investigator assessed as not being related to study drug, and 1 participant in the DTG + FTC/TAF group died of suspected myocardial infarction, which the study investigator assessed as related to the study drug.

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Abbreviations

AE=adverse event
BIC=bicitegravir
CG=Cockcroft-Gault
DTG=dolutegravir
FTC=emtricitabine
INSTI=integrase strand transfer inhibitor

INSTI-R=integrase strand transfer inhibitor resistance
NRTI=nucleos(t)ide reverse transcriptase inhibitor
NRTI-R=nucleos(t)ide reverse transcriptase inhibitor resistance
NNRTI=non-nucleos(t)ide

reverse transcriptase inhibitor
PI=protease inhibitor
PWH=people with HIV
TAF=tenofovir alafenamide
TAM=thymidine analog mutation

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