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Document title	Clinical Study Report Synopsis
Study title	Evaluation <i>versus</i> placebo of the effects on heart rate, haemodynamic parameters, safety and tolerability of 5 mg bolus of ivabradine followed by 8-hour infusion of 5 mg of ivabradine, given to patients undergoing a percutaneous coronary intervention following a myocardial infarction with ST segment elevation (STEMI). A pilot, blind, randomised, placebo-controlled, international, multi- centre study. Including the ancillary MRI sub-study.
Study drug	S 16257 Ivabradine
Studied indication	Acute Myocardial Infarction
Development phase	Phase II
Protocol code	CL2-16257-060
Study initiation date	19 May 2006
Study completion date	20 April 2009
Coordinators	Spain France
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2. SYNOPSIS

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Protocol No.: CL2-16257-060-INT		
International coordinators:		
		- FRANCE
		- SPAIN
Study centres:		
A total of 24 centres in 5 countries include	led at least 1 patient: France	(9 centres), Germany (7 centres), Spain
(4 centres), Belgium (2 centres), Australia	(2 centres).	
Publication (reference): Not applicable	\${	
Studied period:		Phase of development of the study:
Initiation date: 19 May 2006		Phase II
Completion date: 20 April 2009		
Objectives:		
The primary objective of this pilot study v	vas to evaluate the effect of i	vabradine versus placebo (as modified by
Amendment No. 1) on heart rate (HR) and	d haemodynamic parameters	given, to patients having undergone (or
undergoing; following Amendment No.	5), a percutaneous coronary	intervention (PCI) following an acute
myocardial infarction with ST segment ele	evation (STEMI).	
The secondary objectives were to assess	in these patients, the safet	y and tolerability of ivabradine versus
placebo (as modified by Amendment No	. 1), the pharmacokinetics of	of ivabradine and its active metabolite
(S 18982) as well as the relationship bet	ween the pharmacokinetics	and the pharmacodynamics (HR at rest
obtained during ECG and continuous ECG	i monitoring).	
The main objective of the Magnetic Resor	nance Imaging (MRI) sub-stu	ndy (Amendment No. 7) was to evaluate
the effects of ivabradine versus placebo or	n myocardial infarcted tissue	size at 4 months post-STEMI.
Additional objectives of the sub-study in	cluded the evaluation of the	effect of ivabradine on infarcted tissue
size (area of delayed hyperenhancement)	prior to discharge, microva	ascular obstruction (no-reflow) prior to
discharge, LVESV, LVEDV and LVEF (MRI) prior to discharge and	at 4 months post-STEMI and regional
myocardial contractility (MRI) prior to dis	charge and at 4 months post-	STEMI.
Methodology:		
International, multi-centre, randomised,	olind, placebo-controlled, ur	balanced parallel groups and phase II
study (this methodology was introduced	by Amendment No. 1), pe	rformed in hospitalised patients. Study
duration was at least 3 days: Day 1: Select	tion / Inclusion (P000) and s	study drug administration (P001); Day 2
(P002); Day 5 (P003); and Day of dischar	ion with fallow on anominat	gations were mostly concentrated in the
12-nour period following drug administrat	ion, with follow-up examinat	tions on P002, P003 and PEND.
In patients enforced in the sub-study (per	followed by a second MPL	an WIRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging)
was performed prior to nospital discharge,	Tonowed by a second MRT 4	months later.
Planned: 75 patients (50 patients on justice	adine 25 nationts on placebo) Following Amendment No. 7 and the
addition of the sub-study the planned	totals were 120 notients of	verall 80 patients on justication and
40 patients on placebo	totals were 120 patients 0	veran, oo panenis on ivabiadine and
Included: 124 natients (82 on ivabradine	12 on placebo)	
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Diagnosis and main criteria for inclusion:

Male or female patients aged from 40 to 80 years, having undergone (or undergoing; Amendment No. 5) a PCI following a STEMI (with an onset in the previous 9 hours before selection). The PCI was to be carried out less than six hours after the onset of chest pain. HR (in sinus rhythm) was to be > 80 bpm and systolic blood pressure > 90 mmHg, as recorded twice (12-lead electrocardiogram (ECG) and sphygmomanometer) within 10 minutes before treatment administration.

Patients enrolled in the MRI sub-study were to have Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR) \ge 60 mL/min/1.73 m² (Amendment No. 8).

Study drug:

Intravenous ivabradine 2 mg/mL. For the bolus dose, 2.5 mL (5 mg) was injected and this was immediately followed by an 8-hour infusion of 5 mg ivabradine diluted to a volume not exceeding 50 mL.

Reference product:

Matched placebo.

Duration of treatment:

8-hour continuous perfusion.

- Criteria for evaluation:
- Efficacy measurements:
 - Heart rate (HR) as measured by 12-lead ECG (4 assessments in P001, then 1 on P003 and 1 at PEND) and continuous ECG monitoring (in P001, from time of study drug administration until 24 hours later).
 - Echocardiography parameters, including left ventricular (LV) end-diastolic volume (LVEDV, mL), LV end-systolic volume (LVESV, mL) and LV ejection fraction (LVEF, %): optional assessment at P000 and at least one assessment between 6 and 48 hour post study drug administration (following Amendment No. 5).
 - Cardiac proteins: CK-MB (μg/L), troponins (TnI and TnT; μg/L) on 1 blood sample at P000, 5 during P001 and one at P002. Also B-type Natriuretic Peptide (BNP; pmol/L) on one blood sample at H5 (5 hours post study drug administration) in P001 (analyses were made in a central laboratory).

In the MRI sub-study (on centralised reading):

- At both MRI visits: Infarct size (g; estimated from area of delayed hyperenhancement), and measures of cardiac function (LVEF, cardiac output...) and (at PEND only) area at risk and microvascular obstruction (no-reflow).
- Safety measurements:

Adverse events, vital signs at rest (systolic and diastolic blood pressure) and 12-lead ECG parameters including abnormalities.

Pharmacokinetic measurements (central laboratory) were made

Statistical methods:

Efficacy analyses:

Efficacy analyses were carried out on patients of the Full Analysis Set (FAS; patients exposed to treatment and having at least 2 reliable HR evaluations, one at baseline and one post-baseline) and on patients of the Per Protocol Set (PPS; all patients of the FAS without deviation affecting the efficacy assessment).

For HR, descriptive statistics by treatment group were performed at each measurement time, with the changes from baseline to each post-baseline measurement time and between baseline and last value over the treatment period (P001). Ivabradine was compared to placebo on the 12-lead ECG assessments using 95% confidence intervals from a parametric method based on the Student distribution and from a non-parametric method based on the Hodges-Lehmann estimator. Graphical presentations of HR over time were produced.

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Statistical methods (Cont'd):

Efficacy analyses (Cont'd):

For echocardiography, descriptive statistics by treatment group were performed at each measurement time. Analyses were made on the baseline value (P000) and the post-baseline value (with 24 hours and over the study). Treatment effect (ivabradine *versus* placebo) was estimated on last value using the same statistical approach as for HR. In fully documented patients the change was calculated between last value and baseline.

For cardiac enzymes, descriptive statistics of troponin I, troponin T and CK-MB were performed by treatment group at each measurement time and according to the total area under the curve (AUC) over the 24 hours following study drug administration. Figures of concentration *versus* time were provided. For BNP, descriptive statistics were performed by treatment group at H5 (including distribution by class interval (\leq 80 pg/mL / > 80 /mL). A figure of concentration *versus* time (FAS) was provided.

In the sub-study, the efficacy analysis was performed on the FAS-MRI and PPS-MRI.

For each parameter, descriptive statistics by treatment group were performed at each measurement time and on change between 4-month post-STEMI value and PEND value.

Ivabradine and placebo were compared using parametric and non-parametric 95% confidence intervals on PEND value, and then on 4-month post-STEMI value. The 95% confidence interval was calculated using the same methodology as those described for the main study.

Safety analyses:

Safety analyses were performed on patients of the Safety Set.

Descriptive statistics were provided at each measurement time for haemodynamic parameters and for parameters collected during 12-leads ECG (other than HR). Emergent abnormalities and adverse events were described.

SUMMARY - CONCLUSIONS

STUDY POPULATION AND OUTCOME

From a total of 126 patients selected, 124 were included and randomised in the main study, with 82 in the ivabradine group and 42 in the placebo group. In the sub-study, a total of 48 patients were included, with 32 in the ivabradine group and 16 in the placebo group.

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		Ivabradine	Placebo	All
Included (randomised)	n	82	42	124
Lost to Follow-up	n	-	-	-
Withdrawn	n (%)	3 (3.7)	2 (4.8)	5 (4.0)
due to adverse event	n	2	-	2
due to non-medical reason	n	1	2	3
Completed	n (%)	79 (96.3)	40 (95.2)	119 (96.0)
Full Analysis Set (FAS)	n (%)	81 (98.8)	40 (95.2)	121 (97.6)
Per Protocol Set (PPS)	n (%)	67 (81.7)	36 (85.7)	103 (83.1)
Safety Set	n (%)	82 (100)	41 (97.6)	123 (99.2)
Included Set-MRI (IS-MRI)	n (%)	32 (39.0)	16 (38.1)	48 (38.7)
FAS-MRI	n (%')	26 (81.3)	14 (87.5)	40 (83.3)
PPS-MRI	n (%')	21 (65.6)	13 (81.3)	34 (70.8)

Disposition of included (randomised) patients by group and Analysis Sets

Note: One patient (placebo) was excluded from the Safety Set because no study drug was administered %: % of the Randomised Set; %': % of Included Set-MRI

RS: Randomised Set

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SUMMARY - CONCLUSIONS (Cont'd)

STUDY POPULATION AND OUTCOME (Cont'd)

Patients were on average 59.4 ± 11.0 years old. Most were male (78.2%) and BMI was on average 27.2 ± 3.5 kg/m². Most patients did not smoke (61.3%). As required by the protocol, all patients had a STEMI followed by a PCI at the time of study entry. Most (96.0%) had an angioplasty with stent implantation the remainder received balloon angioplasty). For 62.1% of the population the CAD concerned a single vessel; for 22.6% 2 vessels were concerned; and for 15.3% 3 vessels were concerned. The incidence of previous MI was 9.8% in the ivabradine group *versus* 2.4% in the placebo group.

Most patients had concurrent medical conditions, with 54.0% having metabolism and nutrition disorders (mainly lipid metabolism disorders 41.1% or diabetes 18.5%) and 49.2% having vascular disorders (mainly hypertension 47.6%). There were somewhat lower frequencies of patients in the ivabradine group than in the placebo group with lipid metabolism disorders (36.7% vs 50.0%, respectively), hypertension (40.2% *versus* 61.9%, respectively) and diabetes (15.9% *versus* 23.8%, respectively).

The background treatments at inclusion were mainly antithrombotic agents (91.1%), statins (60.5%) and organic nitrates (58.9%). Beta-blocking agents were more frequently used by patients in the placebo group (26.8% versus 42.9%).

The mean baseline HR was 87.8 ± 9.3 bpm. Mean LVEDV and LVESV were respectively 105.3 ± 40.4 mL and 55.9 ± 30.4 mL (assessed in 33 patients) and mean LVEF was $49.1 \pm 12.5\%$ (assessed in 41 patients) without relevant differences between groups. No relevant between-group differences were seen on cardiac proteins at baseline.

The mean duration between the STEMI (onset of chest pain) and the PCI was about $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours (215.0 ± 105.3 min) and the mean duration between the PCI and the bolus injection just under 2 hours (111.7 ± 68.6 min).

The mean total dose was 10.2 ± 2.3 mg in the ivabradine group *versus* 10.2 ± 1.9 mg in the placebo group. The bolus dose was administered to all patients except one in placebo group (123 patients) and the infusion was started in 122 patients (1 patient in the placebo group withdrawn).

A total of 48 patients were included into the sub-study: 32 in the ivabradine group and 16 in the placebo group. 43 patients (89.6%) completed the sub-study: 5 patients (4 *versus* 1) having withdrawn for non-medical reason before the 4-month follow-up visit.

The main demographic and baseline characteristics of the IS-MRI were similar to the RS, except that diabetes was more frequently reported in the ivabradine group than in the placebo group (23.1% *versus* 14.3%). Patients were on average 58.4 ± 10.7 years old. Most were male (79.2%) and BMI was on average 27.9 ± 3.3 kg/m²; none had a previous myocardial infarction. The mean baseline HR was 86.2 ± 7.1 bpm.

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EFFICACY RESULTS

- Primary assessment criterion: HR on 12-lead ECG

The mean change in HR over the treatment period in ivabradine group was -22.0 ± 11.8 bpm (see Table) *versus* -8.9 ± 11.4 bpm in the placebo group. The estimated between-group difference in favour of ivabradine was -13.1 bpm (95% CI: [-17.5; -8.6]), indicating a clinically relevant (and statistically significant) difference in HR reduction.

HR on 1	2-lead ECG – Baseline and	d change over treatn	nent period in the FAS
HR (bpm)		Ivabradine (N = 81)	Placebo (N = 40)
Baseline	n	81	40
	Mean \pm SD	88.2 ± 9.8	87.2 ± 8.1
	Min - Max	64 - 137	69 - 113
Change			
last value in	Mean \pm SD	-22.0 ± 11.8	-8.9 ± 11.4
P001 - Baseline	Min - Max	-75 - 13	-41 - 14
Statistical Analysis	Estimate (1)	-22.0 (1.3)	-8.9 (1.8)
	95% CI (2)	[-24.6;-19.4]	[-12.6 ; -5.2]
	Diff Adj Estimate (3)		-13.1 (2.3)
	95% CI (4)		[-17.5 ; -8.6]

(1) Estimate (Standard error) of the change in each group

(2) 95% CI of change in each group

(3) Estimate (Standard error) of the change difference: ivabradine minus placebo

(4) 95% CI of the change difference

These mean changes were confirmed by the non-parametric approach in the FAS as well as by the results in the PPS.

- Primary assessment criterion: HR on continuous ECG monitoring

The results were similar to those described on the 12-lead ECG The mean change (baseline to last value in P001) was -19.3 ± 10.9 bpm in the ivabradine group *versus* -8.4 ± 11.6 bpm in the placebo group.

- Secondary assessment criteria

Echocardiographic changes:

Mean LVEDV was slightly lower in ivabradine-treated patients than in placebo-treated patients at last value after bolus administration (102.4 \pm 36.3 mL *versus* 110.4 \pm 29.8 mL, respectively; medians: 99.0 *versus* 107.0). The mean values were similar in the 2 treatment groups for LVESV (54.4 \pm 28.2 mL *versus* 55.0 \pm 19.6 mL, respectively) and LVEF (51.4 \pm 12.1% *versus* 51.7 \pm 11.2%, respectively).

In the fully documented patients in the FAS (*i.e.* patients having both pre- and post-bolus evaluations) these was a trend to clinically relevant reductions in left ventricular volumes in the ivabradine group *versus* the placebo group over the study (see table), suggesting a better preservation of cardiac function in the ivabradine group. Very similar results were observed in the PPS.

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EFFICACY RESULTS (Cont'd)

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]	lvabradine (N = 8	31)		Placebo (N = 40	0)
-	Baseline	Last value*	Change	Baseline	Last value*	Change
LVEDV (mL)						
n	18	18	18	8	8	8
Mean \pm SD	106.7 ± 41.0	87.1 ± 28.2	-19.6 ± 33.4	114.9 ± 45.3	117.8 ± 21.4	2.9 ± 33.0
Median	96.0	78.0	-8.5	121.5	113.5	3.0
LVESV (mL)						
n	17	17	17	8	8	8
Mean \pm SD	58.1 ± 33.7	42.5 ± 19.0	-15.5 ± 21.8	61.3 ± 30.6	59.1 ± 11.3	-2.2 ± 24.2
Median	50.0	36.0	-12.0	52.9	63.5	-2.9
LVEF (%)						
n	23	23	23	11	11	11
Mean \pm SD	48.2 ± 11.9	50.4 ± 10.7	2.2 ± 8.5	48.5 ± 13.6	49.0 ± 13.0	0.6 ± 5.2
Median	50.0	53.0	5.0	45.0	54.0	0.0

*Last value after bolus administration; N: Number of patients in treatment group; n: Number of evaluable patients SD: standard deviation

Cardiac proteins: The mean 24-hour AUC (following bolus) for CK-MB, TnI, and TnT were lower in the ivabradine group than in the placebo group (μ g/L.hour: 2624.1 *versus* 2739.4; 1851.4 *versus* 1918.7 and 102.8 *versus* 133.3, respectively). The mean value for plasma BNP at H5 was 123.6 \pm 175.8 pg/mL (median: 72.3 pg/mL) in the ivabradine group *versus* 83.7 \pm 90.4 pg/mL (median: 61.3 pg/mL) in the placebo group. Similar results were observed in the PPS.

- MRI sub-study: HR on 12-lead ECG, infarct size and global LV function

In the FAS-MRI, the mean changes in HR on 12-lead ECG over the treatment administration period were similar to those seen in the FAS, *i.e.* -20.2 ± 10.8 bpm in the ivabradine group *versus* -12.9 ± 14.7 bpm in the placebo group. At PEND, the MRI examination revealed that the area of delayed hyperenhancement (indicative of the infarcted volume, % of LV mass) was smaller in the ivabradine group than in the placebo group: $12.7 \pm 9.6\%$ *versus* $17.2 \pm 10.1\%$, respectively. The mean relative area at risk, evaluated in 15 patients in the ivabradine group and 10 patients in the placebo group was similar in the 2 treatment groups ($30.6 \pm 17.4\%$ *versus* $29.6 \pm 13.2\%$). At the 4-month follow-up MRI, the difference between the mean relative infarct sizes in the 2 groups was negligible ($9.9 \pm 8.2\%$ *versus* $9.7 \pm 8.4\%$).

The left ventricular ejection fraction ($51.5 \pm 12.2\%$ versus 50.7 $\pm 12.4\%$) and volumes were similar in both treatment groups at discharge with a slight trend to reduced volumes in the ivabradine group (146.4 ± 36.0 mL versus 151.1 ± 32.3 mL and 70.9 ± 23.9 mL versus 75.8 ± 29.5 mL for LVEDV and LVESV, respectively. No differences were observed at PM04 with ejection fractions or volumes.

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Overall s During the treatment period (bolus	<pre>ummary of safety results - S + 2 days) - Patients having</pre>	afety	Set Ivabradine (N = 82)	Placebo (N = 41)
Overall s During the treatment period (bolus reported at least one:	<pre>ummary of safety results - S + 2 days) - Patients having</pre>	afety	Set Ivabradine (N = 82)	Placebo (N = 41)
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During the treatment period (between the start of the bolus injection and 2 days later), a total of 63 patients (51.2%) reported at least one emergent adverse event: 46 patients (56.1%) in the ivabradine group *versus* 17 patients (41.5%) in the placebo group. The most frequently reported SOCs were *cardiac disorders* (25.6% *versus* 19.5%), *nervous system disorders* (9.8% *versus* 4.9%) and *musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders* (8.5% *versus* 4.9%). The most frequent EAEs were ventricular tachycardia (VT; 11.0% *versus* 9.8%) headache (4.9% *versus* 4.9%) and hypotension (6.1% *versus* none). The incidence of heart failure related events was slightly lower in ivabradine group (6.1% of patients *versus* 7.3% in placebo group). The most frequent drug-related event was asymptomatic bradycardia (HR decreased; 2.4%).

Severe on-treatment EAEs occurred in the ivabradine group with an incidence of 7.3% (6 patients with 13 events; no severe events were reported in the placebo group). Of these events, 9 were related to cardiac disorders/investigations (non cardiac events included hypotension, renal impairment, overdose and sepsis).

During the study (from selection to PEND, or PM04 for sub-study patients) the EAE incidence was 72.0% in the ivabradine group *versus* 68.3% in the placebo group. The most frequently EAEs were VT (11.0% *versus* 9.8%), PCI (6.1% *versus* 4.9%) and headache (6.1% *versus* 4.9%).

A total of 8 serious emergent adverse events were reported by 5 patients (6.1%) in the ivabradine group during the treatment period. For 3 patients the (first) event(s) was emergent on the day of treatment administration: one patient had an accidental overdose with bradycardia (recovered). In the same patient persisting ST segment elevation and complete AV block was also reported; 1 patient reported a ventricular arrhythmia. Later reported (on-treatment) SEAEs included 2 cases of acute LV failure, a case of renal impairment and a case of cardiogenic shock. All events were reported as recovered at the end of the study, except for cardiogenic shock (the patient died from mesenterial infarction 5 days later). One of the cases of acute LV failure was considered by the investigator as being doubtfully related to the study treatment.

A total of 2 patients were withdrawn from the study for adverse event in the ivabradine group: 1 for overdose and bradycardia and 1 following mesenterial infarction (with fatal outcome).

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SAFETY RESULTS (Cont'd)

Two patients died (both in the ivabradine group) during the follow-up of the study, one from worsening COPD reported 5 days after the bolus and one from mesenterial infarction, 7 days after the bolus. Neither event was considered by the investigator as being related to study treatment.

In both treatment groups, slight and parallel decreases were observed in mean SBP and DBP between baseline and PEND. In the ivabradine group there were 5 cases of hypotension (1 mild, 3 moderate, 1 severe). None of these was considered as serious or related to the study drug; they were related to bleeding from catheter, excessive diuresis or qualifying acute MI. Also, there was 1 case of orthostatic hypotension and 2 cases of hypertension in the ivabradine group. All of these events were reported as recovered.

The ECG assessments revealed no clinically relevant changes in mean values, other than the slowing of the HR and the expected increase in mean QT interval.

CONCLUSION

This randomised pilot study in STEMI patients who underwent PCI, showed that a post-operative intravenous bolus administration of ivabradine 5 mg followed by an 8-hour i.v. infusion of ivabradine 5 mg produced a statistically significant, rapid and sustained decrease in mean heart rate, compared to placebo-treated patients. Echocardiographic data suggested that ivabradine treatment was associated with a preservation of the LV function and reductions in LV volumes over the period from bolus administration to discharge from the medical facility. Analyses of circulating protein markers of myocardial damage (troponins and CK-MB) indicated lower levels in the ivabradine group.

In the MRI sub-study, the mean area of delayed hyperenhancement (indicative of the infarcted volume) at discharge was smaller in ivabradine-treated patients as compared to placebo-treated patients, while the area at risk was comparable in the 2 groups. At the 4-month follow-up visit, the mean infarct size was similar in the 2 groups.

The safety analysis found that intravenous ivabradine was fairly well tolerated. Cardiac events (including rhythm disorders) occurred at a slightly greater frequency in the ivabradine group than in the placebo group, but these were mostly mild and recovered.

The results of the study suggest that intravenous ivabradine could play a role in myocardial protection in patients with STEMI and should be evaluated for its ability in improving outcomes.

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