

Preparing for Changing Cardiac Safety Regulations

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Questions?

- Do I still have to assess proarrhythmic potential of my compound in a Thorough QT (TQT) study?
- If I have a TQT to conduct, what does that look like?
- If I don't have a TQT to conduct, what does that look like?
- What approach to evaluating cardiac safety is the most cost effective for my compound?
- What approach does Celerion advocate for evaluating cardiac safety?
- Are ICHE14 and S7B changing?
- What other cardiac safety related regulatory changes are coming?



The Evolution of ICH E14



International Conference on Harmonisation E14 Guidance (ICH E14) describes the requirements for a Thorough QT (TQT) study to evaluate proarrhythmic potential of compounds.

ICH S7B describes preclinical cardiac safety testing requirements for new compounds.

FDA Interdisciplinary Review Team (IRT)



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Cases of Torsades de Pointes



Annual number of spontaneous reports of Torsade de Pointes received by the US FDA Adverse Event Reporting System, Stockbridge et al. Drug Safety 2013;36:167-182



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Pre-clinical: CiPA

- Comprehensive In vitro Proarrhythmia Assay (CiPA) Initiative
 - Ion Channels
 - Stem Cell Myocytes
 - In Silico modeling
- Targeting S7B update in 2016
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Early Clinical Cardiac Safety Evaluation

- Add intense ECG monitoring to early Single Ascending Dose (SAD) and Multi Ascending Dose (MAD) studies.
 - Pool data from different dose levels to evaluate concentration response relationship
 - Typically during SAD and MAD studies the highest doses are given allowing for better concentration response modeling





Early Clinical Cardiac Safety Testing

IQ/CSRC

- Looking at five marketed drugs with a positive QT signal one with a negative signal
 - Ondansetron, dofetilide, quinine, dolasetron, moxifloxacin
 - levocetirizine
- SAD-like study
- QT assessment criteria: The upper bound of the twosided 90% confidence interval (CI) of the projected placebo-corrected delta QTcF is above 10 ms at the observed peak plasma level of the drug
- Positive control?



Early Clinical ECG monitoring





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Early Cardiac Safety Evaluation

- ECG data collection
 - Is data collection the same as a TQT?
 - Data acquisition and protocol requirements are very similar to TQT
 - Time-points
 - Do we really need 10-12 time-points? Does this increase risk of false positive?
 - Typically response is seen around Tmax and 3-4 subsequent time-points



What does the TQT look like now?

Traditional Design

Placebo Therapeutic Dose Supratherapeutic Dose Positive Control: Moxi



Placebo



- Moxifloxacin dosing
 - Intense ECG collection



What does the TQT look like now?

Crossover Design



Placebo



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 - Intense ECG collection



What does the TQT look like now?

Parallel with Nested Crossover Design



Moxifloxacin dosing

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Intense ECG collection

DDM=average of Moxi/PBO and PBO/Moxi Moxi/PBO=[$QTc_M(1)$ - $QTc_{PB}(5)$]-[$QTc_{PB}(4)$ - $QTc_{PB}(-1)$] PBO/Moxi=[$QTc_M(5)$ - $QTc_{PB}(1)$]-[$QTc_{PB}(-1)$ - $QTc_{PB}(4)$]



