Single dose of iptacopan treatment rapidly decreases plasma complement Bb levels

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Introduction

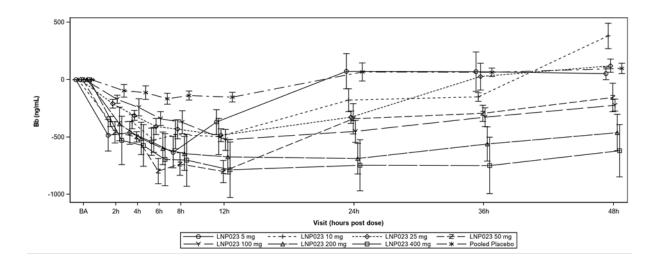
Iptacopan (LNP023) is an oral, first-in-class, low molecular weight inhibitor of Factor B in clinical development for treatment of diseases associated with activation of the alternative complement pathway. Phase 3 studies of iptacopan are ongoing in paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria, C3 glomerulonephritis, IgA nephropathy, and atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome. The complement fragment Bb, a biomarker of alternative pathway (AP) activity, was measured in healthy subjects to determine the effect of a single dose of iptacopan on the AP.

Methods

In this randomized, blinded study, 56 healthy participants were enrolled into 7 treatment groups to receive a single dose of iptacopan (5–400 mg; n=6 per group) or placebo (n=14). Plasma Bb was measured at baseline and at 8 on-treatment timepoints over 48 hours using a validated immunoassay (LLOQ=484 ng/mL).

Results

Treatment with iptacopan was well tolerated. Mean (±SE) change in plasma Bb from baseline in the 8 groups over time is shown (Figure). At baseline, mean plasma Bb was 1324–2180 ng/mL. In contrast to the placebo group, participants in the 7 iptacopan treatment groups exhibited a rapid decrease in plasma Bb at 2 hours post dose. A dose-dependent, persistent effect was seen at 24 hours post dose, with the highest mean decrease in Bb (approximately 700 ng/mL; ~50%) seen with 200 and 400 mg iptacopan.



Conclusion

Similar to previously reported Wieslab data, iptacopan treatment resulted in a rapid, substantial and dose-dependent decrease in Bb. These results support the iptacopan clinical dose of 200 mg twice daily and indicate that oral iptacopan provides durable AP inhibition.

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