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New Directly Acting Antivirals for Hep C

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Objectives

- To understand the proper dose and duration of sofosbuvir
- To know the common side effects and drug-drug interactions with sofosbuvir
- To understand the coming pipeline for Hep C antivirals and how to weigh the decision to treat now or to wait

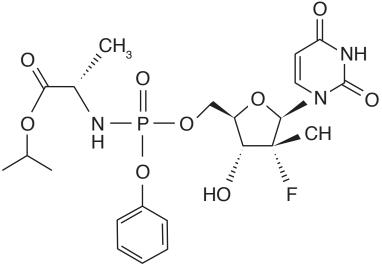


Sofosbuvir



Sofosbuvir (SOF, GS 7977)

- Potent HCV-specific nucleotide analog (chain terminator)
- Safe and well tolerated
 - Once daily, no food effect
 - No significant drug interactions
 - No safety signals in preclinical/clinical studies
- High barrier to resistance
 - No virologic breakthrough to date
- Pangenotypic antiviral effect
- Safe and well tolerated in ~3000 patients in Phase 2 and Phase 3 studies





FDA label for Sofosbuvir (Sovaldi)

- GT 2 and 3 naives
- GT 2 and 3 intolerant or non-responders
- GT 1,4 naives and P/R failures (non-decompensated cirrhotics and non-cirrhotics)
- Patients with HCC and awaiting liver txp
- Both HIV+ and HIV-



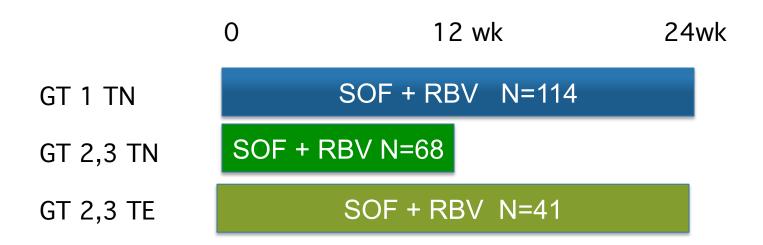
Dosage and Duration

- 400 mg tablet once daily
- No food effect
- "SOVALDI in combination with ribavirin for 24 weeks can be considered for CHC patients with genotype 1 infection who are interferon ineligible."

	SOF, PegIFN, & RVN	SOF/RBV
GT1: naïve, P/R failures, HIV+/-	12 weeks	-
GT 2: naïve or P/R failures	-	12 wks
GT 3: naïve or P/R failures	-	24 wks
HCC, awaiting OLT		48 wks



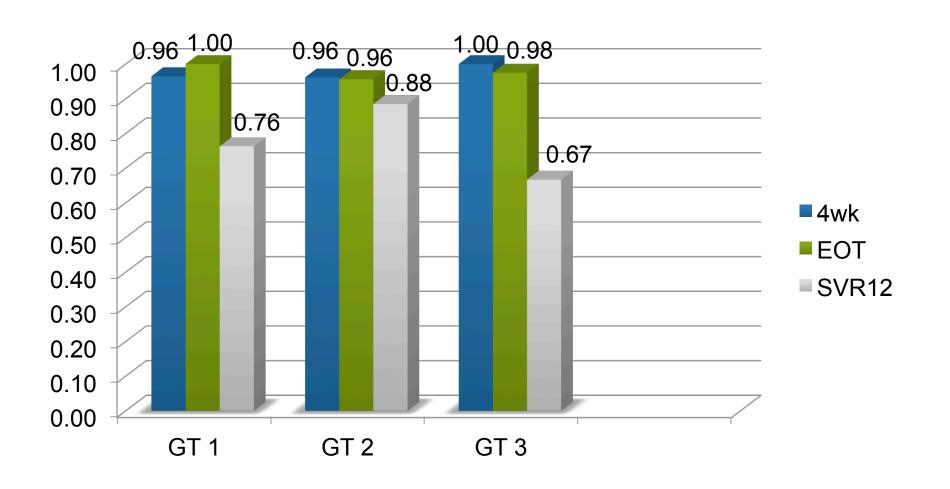
HIV/HCV Coinfected Patients: PHOTON-1



- Wide range of ARVs permitted
- Compensated cirrhotics permitted
- HIV RNA had to be undetectable for at least 8 wks
- CD4 >200 cells/ml if on ARVs or >500 cells/ml if untreated



Similar SVR12 Results as HIV- Patients





Adverse Events

- No difference c/w HIV-
- 2 pts had detectable HIV RNA but was due to poor adherence
- No change in CD4 count



Side Effects of Sofosbuvir

Side Effect	SOF/RBV	IFN/RBV
Fatigue	36%	55%
Headache	25	44
Nausea	18	29
Insomnia	12	29
Anemia	8	12
Flu syn	3	18
Chills	3	18
Rash	9	18
Diarrhea	9	17
Myalgia	8	16
Neutropenia	0	12

- Prior nucleotide analogs had cardiac (long QT), hepatic (ALT flares) and GI toxicity (nausea)
- Fewer side effects w/ SOF/ RBV vs. IFN/RBV
- No diff b/t triple tx and IFN/ RBV
- Low dropout rate w/ SOF: 1-2%



Laboratory Monitoring

Patient	Baseline	2 wks	4 wks	8 wks	12 wks	24 wks	36 wks
GT 1,4	HIV RNA, CD4, HCV RNA, TSH, CBC, LFTs	CBC w/ diff	CBC w/ diff, LFTs	CBC w/ diff	CBC, LFTs, TSH, HCV RNA, CD4, HIV	HCV RNA	
GT 2	HCV RNA, CBC, LFTs	CBC	CBC	CBC	CBC, LFTs, HCV RNA	HCV RNA	
GT 3	HCV RNA, CBC, LFTs	CBC	CBC	CBC	CBC	CBC, LFTs, HCV RNA	HCV RNA

Consider more frequent LFTs in cirrhosis
If patient develops anemia, will need more frequent CBC



How to Manage Anemia

Laboratory Values	Reduce RBV to 600 mg/d if:	Discontinue RBV if:
Hgb in pts with no cardiac disease	<10 g/dL	<8.5 g/dL
Hgb in pts w/ hx of stable cardiac dz	>2 g/dL in Hgb during any 4 wk period	<12 g/dL despite 4 wks at reduced dose



Drug-Drug Interactions

- Sofosbuvir is metabolized by human cathepsin A (CatA), carboxylesterase 1 (CES1) and histidine triad nucleotidebinding protein 1 (Hint1)
- SOF is not inducer or inhibitor of CYP450, UGT1A1 or drug transporters!
- Sofosbuvir is a substrate of P-gp and BCRP.
- Do NOT use St. John's Wort, rifamycins, phenytoin (Dilantin) or carbamizapine (Tegretol), tipranavir/ritonavir with sofosbuvir.
- Methadone, many HIV ARVs (TDF, RAL, RPV, DAR, EFZ), many immunosuppressants are ok



Cost and Patient Assistance

- Avg wholesale price = \$1000 per pill
- \$84,000 for 12 wks
- \$168,000 for 24 wks
- <u>www.MySupportPath.com</u>, 1-855-7MyPath (1-855-769-7284)
- Sovaldi Co-pay Coupon Program (\$5 co-pay)
- Patient assistance program for uninsured
- Patient Access Network (PAN) Foundation for high deductibles



The Coming Pipeline for HIV/HCV

- Protease Inhibitors:
 - 1st Generation: Telaprevir, Boceprevir, Simeprevir, Faldeprevir, Asuneprevir
 - 2nd Generation: MK 5172 (2015-6)
- NS5a Inhibitors
 - Daclatasvir (2014-5), Ledipasvir (2014-5), ABT 267
- Non-nucleoside inhibitors
 - GS9669, ABT 333/r



Treat Now or Wait?

- GT 2 or 3: treat now
- GT 1 or 4: strongly consider treating now
- Prioritize those with more advanced fibrosis or w/ hx of IRIS in liver

