HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION ------ DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION ------These highlights do not include all the • Before initiating abacavir and lamivudine. information needed to use ABACAVIR AND LAMIVUDINE TABLETS safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for ABACAVIR AND LAMIVUDINE TABLETS. • Adults: One tablet orally once daily. (2.2) ABACAVIR and LAMIVUIDNE Tablets, for oral use

Initial U.S. Approval: 2004

WARNING: HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS and EXACERBATIONS OF HEPATITIS B See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.

Hypersensitivity Reactions

- hypersensitivity reactions have occurred lamivudine. (3) with abacavir-containing products. (5.1)
- organ clinical syndrome. (5.1) Patients who carry the HLA-B*5701 allele are at a higher risk of experiencing a hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir.
- Abacavir and lamivudine is hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir and in HLA-B*5701-positive patients. (4)
- Discontinue abacavir and lamivudine as soon as a hypersensitivity reaction is suspected. Regardless of HLA-B*5701 status, permanently discontinue abacavir and lamivudine if hypersensitivity cannot be ruled out, even when other diagnoses
- are possible. (5.1) abacavir-containing product. (5.1)
- Exacerbations of Hepatitis B Severe acute exacerbations of henatitis B have been reported in patients who are To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS. and human immunodeficiency virus at 1-800-FDA-1088 or (HIV-1) and have discontinued www.fda.gov/medwatch. lamivudine, a component of abacavir and lamivudine. Monitor hepatic function closely in these patients and, if appropriate, initiate anti-hepatitis B

-- RECENT MAJOR CHANGES ----Dosage and Administration Not Recommended Due to Lack

treatment. (5.2)

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Abacavir and lamivudine tablets, a combination inhibitors, is indicated in combination with other antiretroviral agents for the treatment of **See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING** HIV-1 infection. (1)

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- screen for the HLA-B*5701 allele because abacavir and lamivudine tablet contains abacavir. (2.1)
- Pediatric patients weighing at least 25 kg:
- One tablet daily. (2.3) Because abacavir and lamivudine is a fixed-dose tablet and cannot be dose
- adjusted, abacavir and lamivudine is not recommended in patients with creatinine clearance less than 30 mL per minute or patients with hepatic impairment. (2.4, 4) -- DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS -----

• Serious and sometimes fatal Tablets: 600 mg of abacavir and 300 mg of

- ----- CONTRAINDICATIONS -Hypersensitivity to abacavir is a multi- Presence of HLA-B*5701 allele. (4)
 - Prior hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir
 - or lamivudine. (4) • Moderate or severe hepatic impairment. (4, 8.7)
- ------ WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS -----contraindicated in patients with a prior • Lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis, including fatal cases, have been reported with the use of nucleoside
 - analogues. (5.3) • Immune reconstitution syndrome has been reported in patients treated with combination antiretroviral therapy. (5.4)

-- ADVERSE REACTIONS -----The most commonly reported adverse Following a hypersensitivity reaction to reactions of at least moderate intensity abacavir and lamivudine, NEVER restart (incidence greater than 5%) in an adult abacavir and lamivudine or any other HIV-1 clinical trial were drug hypersensitivity, insomnia, depression/depressed mood, headache/migraine, fatique/malaise, dizziness/ vertigo, nausea, and diarrhea. (6.1)

co-infected with hepatitis B virus (HBV) contact Cipla Ltd. at 1-866-604-3268 or FDA

- ----- DRUG INTERACTIONS --
- Methadone: An increased methadone dose may be required in a small number of patients. (7.1)
- Sorbitol: Coadministration of lamivudine and sorbitol may decrease lamivudine concentrations; when possible, avoid chronic coadministration. (7.2)
- Riociguat: The riociguat dose may need to be reduced. (7.3) ----- USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS ------
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rsensitivity Reactions sensitivity reactions, with multiple organ involvement, have occurred with abac erious and sometimes fatal hype a component of abacavir and lamivudine tablets. Patients who carry the HLA-B*5701 allele are at a higher risk of a sitivity reaction to abacavir; although, hypersensitivity reactions have occurred in patients who do not carry

the HLA-B*5701 allele [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. Abacavir and lamivudine is contraindicated in patients with a prior hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir and in HLA-8*5701-positive patients [see Contraindications (4), Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. All patients should be scree for the HLA-B*5701 allele prior to initiating therapy with abacavir and lamivudine or reinitiation of therapy with

abacavir and lamivudine, unless patients have a previously documented HLA-B*5701 allele assessment. Discontinue abacavir and lamivudine immediately if a hypersensitivity reaction is suspected, regardless of HLA-B*5701 status and even when other diagnoses are possible [see Contraindications (4), Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. Following a hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir and lamivudine, NEVER restart abacavir and lamivudine or any other abacavir-containing product because more severe symptoms, including death, can occur within hours. Similar severe

reactions have also occurred rarely following the reintroduction of abacavir-containing products in patients who have no history of abacavir ensitivity [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. Exacerbations of Hepatitis B Severe acute exacerbations of hepatitis B have been reported in patients who are co-infected with hepatitis B virus (HBV) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV-1) and have discontinued lamivudine, which is a component of abacavir

and lamivudine. Henatic function should be monitored closely with both clinical and laboratory follow-up for at least several months in patients who discontinue abacavir and lamivudine and are co-infected with HIV-1 and HBV. If appropriate, initiation of anti-hepatitis B therapy may be warranted [see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)].

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE Abacavir and lamivudine tablets, in combination with other antiretroviral agents, are indicated for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) infection.

2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION 2.1 Screening for HLA-B*5701 Allele Prior to Starting Abacavir and lamivudine

Screen for the HLA-B*5701 allele prior to initiating therapy with abacavir and lamivudine [see Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. 2.2 Recommended Dosage for Adult Patients

The recommended dosage of abacavir and lamivudine for adults is one tablet taken orally once daily, in combination with other

antiretroviral agents, with or without food. 2.3 Recommended Dosage for Pediatric Patient

The recommended oral dose of abacavir and lamivudine for pediatric patients weighing at least 25 kg is one tablet daily in combination with other antiretroviral agents Isee Clinical Studies (14.2)]. Before prescribing abacavir and lamivudine tablets pediatric patients should be assessed for the ability to swallow tablets.

- 2.4 Not Recommended Due to Lack of Dosage Adjustment Because abacavir and lamivudine tablet is a fixed-dose tablet and cannot be dose adjusted, abacavir and lamivudine tablet is
- patients with creatinine clearance less than 30 mL per minute [see Use in Specific Populations (8.6)].
- patients with mild hepatic impairment. Abacavir and lamivudine is contraindicated in patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment [see Contraindications (4), Use in Specific Populations (8.7)]. Use of EPIVIR (lamivudine) oral solution or tablets and ZIAGEN (abacavir) oral solution may be considered

3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS Abacavir and lamivudine tablets USP contain 600 mg of abacavir as abacavir sulfate and 300 mg of lamivudine. The tablets are Orange coloured, capsule shaped, biconvex, film coated tablets debossed with 'C' on one side and plain on another side.

- 4 CONTRAINDICATIONS Abacavir and lamivudine tablets are contraindicated in patients
- who have the HLA-B*5701 allele [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)].
- with prior hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]* or lamivudine. with moderate or severe hepatic impairment [see Use in Specific Populations (8.7)].
- 5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS
- 5.1 Hypersensitivity Reactions

Serious and sometimes fatal hypersensitivity reactions have occurred with abacavir, a component of abacavir and lamivuding tablet. These hypersensitivity reactions have included multi-organ failure and anaphylaxis and typically occurred within the first 6 weeks of treatment with abacavir (median time to onset was 9 days); although abacavir hypersensitivity reactions have occurred any time during treatment *[see Adverse Reactions (6,1)]*. Patients who carry the HLA-B*5701 allele are at a higher risk of abacavir hypersensitivity reactions; although, patients who do not carry the HLA-B*5701 allele have developed hypersensitivity reactions. Hypersensitivity to abacavir was reported in approximately 206 (8%) of 2,670 patients in 9 clinical trials with abacavir-containing products where HLA-B*5701 screening was not performed. The incidence of suspected abacavi itivity reactions in clinical trials was 1% when subjects carrying the HLA-B*5701 allele were excluded. In any pat treated with abacavir, the clinical diagnosis of hypersensitivity reaction must remain the basis of clinical decision making. Due to the potential for severe, serious, and possibly fatal hypersensitivity reactions with abacavia

- All patients should be screened for the HLA-B*5701 allele prior to initiating therapy with abacavir and lamivudine or reinitiation of therapy with abacavir and lamivudine, unless patients have a previously documented HLA-B*5701 allele
- of abacavir and lamivudine, both nucleoside Lactation: Women infected with HIV should Abacavir and lamivudine is contraindicated in patients with a prior hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir and in HLA-B*5701positive patients.
 - Before starting abacavir and lamivudine, review medical history for prior exposure to any abacavir-containing produc NEVER restart abacavir and lamivudine or any other abacavir-containing product following a hypersensitivity reaction to abacavir, regardless of HLA-B*5701 status. · To reduce the risk of a life-threatening hypersensitivity reaction, regardless of HLA-B*5701 status, discontinue abacavir
 - and lamivudine immediately if a hypersensitivity reaction is suspected, even when other diagnoses are possible (e.g., acute onset respiratory diseases such as pneumonia, bronchitis, pharyngitis, or influenza; gastroenteritis; or reactions to other medications) · If a hypersensitivity reaction cannot be ruled out, do not restart abacavir and lamivudine or any other abacav
 - products because more severe symptoms, which may include life-threatening hypotension and death, can occur within • If a hypersensitivity reaction is ruled out, patients may restart abacavir and lamivudine. Rarely, patients who have stopped
 - abacavir for reasons other than symptoms of hypersensitivity have also experience of reinitiating abacavir therapy. Therefore, reintroduction of abacavir and lamivudine or any other abacavir-containing product is recommended only if medical care can be readily accessed.
 - A Medication Guide and Warning Card that provide information about recognition of hypersensitivity reactions should be dispensed with each new prescription and refill 5.2 Patients with Hepatitis B Virus Co-infection

Posttreatment Exacerbations of Hepatitis

Clinical and laboratory evidence of exacerbations of hepatitis have occurred after discontinuation of lamivudine. See full prescribing information for EPIVIR (lamivudine). Patients should be closely monitored with both clinical and laboratory followup for at least several months after stopping treatment

Emergence of Lamivudine-Resistant HBV y and efficacy of lamiyudine have not been established for treatment of chronic hepatitis B in subjects dually infected with HIV-1 and HBV. Emergence of hepatitis B virus variants associated with resistance to lamivudine has been reported in HIV-1infected subjects who have received lamivudine-containing antiretroviral regimens in the presence of concurrent infection with hepatitis B virus. See full prescribing information for EPIVIR (lamivudine) 5.3 Lactic Acidosis and Severe Hepatomegaly with Steatosis

Lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis, including fatal cases, have been reported with the use of nucleoside analogues, including abacavir and lamivudine (components of abacavir and lamivudine tablets). A majority of these cases have of the overlap of clinical signs and symptoms between hypersensitivity to abacavir and SJS and TEN, and the possibility of been in women. Female sex and obesity may be risk factors for the development of lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis in patients treated with antiretroviral nucleoside analogues. See full prescribing information for ZIAGEN been reports of erythema multiforme with abacavir use [see Adverse Reactions (6.1)] (abacavir) and EPIVIR (lamivudine). Treatment with abacavir and lamivudine should be suspended in any patient who develops clinical or laboratory findings suggestive of lactic acidosis or pronounced hepatotoxicity, which may include hepatomegaly and steatosis even in the absence of marked transaminase elevations.

5.4 Immune Reconstitution Syndrome une reconstitution syndrome has been reported in patients treated with combination antiretroviral therapy, including Endocrine and Metabolic: Hyperglycemia.



abacavir and lamivudine. During the initial phase of combination antiretroviral treatment, patients whose immune systems respond may develop an inflammatory response to indolent or residual opportunistic infections (such as Mycobacterium avium infection, cytomegalovirus, Pneumocystis jirovecii pneumonia [PCP], or tuberculosis), which may necessitate further evaluation and treatment

Autoimmune disorders (such as Graves' disease, polymyositis, and Guillain-Barré syndrome) have also been reported to ccur in the setting of immune reconstitution; however, the time to onset is more variable, and can occur many months after initiation of treatment

5.5 Myocardial Infarction eral prospective, observational, epidemiological studies have reported an association with the use of abacavir and the risk of myocardial infarction (MI). Meta-analyses of randomized, controlled clinical trials have observed no excess risk of MI in abacavir-treated subjects as compared with control subjects. To date, there is no established biological mechanism to explain the potential increase in risk. In totality, the available data from the observational studies and from controlled clinical trials show inconsistency; therefore, evidence for a causal relationship between abacavir treatment and the risk of MI is inconclusive. As a precaution, the underlying risk of coronary heart disease should be considered when prescribing antiretroyinal therapies cluding abacavir, and action taken to minimize all modifiable risk factors (e.g., hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabete

6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

mellitus, smoking).

The following adverse reactions are discussed in other sections of the labeling Serious and sometimes fatal hypersensitivity reactions [see Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5,1)].

Exacerbations of hepatitis B [see Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.2)].

 Lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis [see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)] Immune reconstitution syndrome [see Warnings and Precautions (5.4)]

Myocardial infarction [see Warnings and Precautions (5.5)] 6.1 Clinical Trials Experience in Adult Subjects

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared with rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in clinical practice.

Serious and Fatal Abacavir-Associated Hypersensitivity Reactions

In Clinical trials, serious and sometimes fatal hypersensitivity reactions have occurred with abacavir, a component of abacavir and lamivudine tablet [see Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. These reactions have been characterized by 2 or more of the following signs or symptoms: (1) fever; (2) rash; (3) gastrointestinal symptoms (including nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or abdominal nain): (4) constitutional symptoms (including generalized malaise, fatigue, or achiness); (5) respira cluding dyspnea, cough, or pharyngitis). Almost all abacavir hypersensitivity reactions include fever and/or rash as part of the syndrome.

Other signs and symptoms have included lethargy headache myalgia edema arthralgia and paresthesia Anaphylaxis liver failure, renal failure, hypotension, adult respiratory distress syndrome, respiratory failure, myolysis, and death have occurred in association with these hypersensitivity reactions. Physical findings have included lymphadenopathy, mucous membrane lesions (conjunctivitis and mouth ulcerations), and maculopapular or urticarial rash (although some patients had other types of nd others did not have a rash). There were reports of erythema multiforme. Laboratory abnormalities include liver chemistries, elevated creatine phosphokinase, elevated creatinine, and lymphopenia and abnormal chest x-ray findings (predominantly infiltrates, which were localized).

Additional Adverse Reactions with Use of Abacavir and lamivudine

Therapy-Naive Adults: Treatment-emergent clinical adverse reactions (rated by the investigator as moderate or severe) with nreater than or equal to 5% frequency during therapy with ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily or ZIAGEN 300 mg twice daily, both in ombination with lamivudine 300 mg once daily and efavirenz 600 mg once daily, are listed in Table 1

Table 1. Treatment-Emergent (All Causality) Adverse Reactions of at Least Moderate Intensity (Grades 2-4, Greater than or Equal to 5% Frequency) in Therapy-Naive Adults (CNA30021) through 48 Weeks of Treatment ZIAGEN 600 mg q.d. plus EPIVIR ZIAGEN 300 mg b.i.d. plus EPIVIR plus

Advance Friend	plus Efavirenz	Efavirenz
Adverse Event	(n = 384)	(n = 386)
hypersensitivity ^{a,b}	9%	7%
nnia	7%	9%
ession/Depressed mood	7%	7%
ache/Migraine	7%	6%
ue/Malaise	6%	8%
ness/Vertigo	6%	6%
ea	5%	6%
heaª	5%	6%
l	5%	5%
kia	5%	3%
minal pain/gastritis	4%	5%
rmal dreams	4%	5%
ety	3%	5%

² Subjects receiving ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily, experienced a significantly higher incidence of severe drug hypersensitivity reactions and severe diarrhea compared with subjects who received ZIAGEN 300 mg twice daily. Five percent (5%) of subjects eiving ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily had severe drug hypersensitivity reactions compared with 2% of subjects receiving 2.1/GEN 300 mg vice daily. Two percent (2%) of subjects receiving ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily had severe diarrhea while none of the subjects receiving ZIAGEN 300 mg twice daily had this event.

CNA30024 was a multi-center, double-blind, controlled trial in which 649 HIV-1-infected, therapy-naive adults were randomized and received either ZIAGEN (300 mg twice daily), EPIVIR (150 mg twice daily), and efavirenz (600 mg once daily); or zidovudine (300 mg twice daily), EPIVIR (150 mg twice daily), and efavirenz (600 mg once daily). CNA30024 used double-blind ascertainment of suspected hypersensitivity reactions. During the blinded portion of the trial, suspected itivity to abacavir was reported by investigators in 9% of 324 subjects in the abacavir group and 3% of 325 subjects in the zidovudine group.

Laboratory Abnormalities: Laboratory abnormalities observed in clinical trials of ZIAGEN were anemia, neutropenia, live function test abnormalities, and elevations of CPK, blood glucose, and triggiverides. Additional laboratory abnormalities observed in clinical trials of EPIVIR were thrombocytopenia and elevated levels of bilirubin, amylase, and lipase.

The frequencies of treatment-emergent laboratory abnormalities were comparable between treatment groups in CNA30021. Other Adverse Events: In addition to adverse reactions listed above, other adverse events observed in the expanded access

program for abacavir were pancreatitis and increased GG 6.2 Clinical Trials Experience in Pediatric Subjects

The safety of once-daily compared with twice-daily dosing of abacavir and lamiyudine, administered as either single products or as abacavir and lamivudine, was assessed in the ARROW trial (n = 336). Primary safety assessment in the ARROW (COL105677) trial was based on Grade 3 and Grade 4 adverse events. The frequency of Grade 3 and 4 adverse events was similar among subjects randomized to once-daily dosing compared with subjects randomized to twice-daily dosing. One event of Grade 4 hepatitis in the once-daily cohort was considered as uncertain causality by the investigator and all other Grade 3 or 4 adverse events were considered not related by the investigator. No additional safety issues were identified in pediatric subjects receiving abacavir and lamivudine once-daily compared with historical data in adults [see Adverse Reactions (6.1)]. 6.3 Postmarketing Experience

The following adverse reactions have been identified during postmarketing use. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of unknown size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

ascular: Mvocardial infarction.

Skin: Suspected Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS) and toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN) have been reported in patients receiving abacavir primarily in combination with medications known to be associated with SJS and TEN, respectively. Because Abacavir and Lamivudine

Digestive: Stomatitis.

General: Weakness

Hemic and Lymphatic: Aplastic anemia, anemia (including pure red cell aplasia and severe anemias progressing on therapy), lymphadenopathy, splenomegaly. Hepatic: Lactic acidosis and hepatic steatosis [see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)], posttreatment exacerbations of hepatitis

B [see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)] Hypersensitivity: Sensitization reactions (including anaphylaxis), urticaria.

Musculoskeletal: Muscle weakness, creatinine phosphokinase (CPK) elevation, rhabdomyolysis.

Nervous: Paresthesia, peripheral neuropathy, seizures, Respiratory: Abnormal breath sounds/wheezing

Skin: Alopecia, erythema multiforme, Stevens-Johnson syndrome

7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

7.1 Methadone

In a trial of 11 HIV-1-infected subjects receiving methadone-maintenance therapy with 600 mg of ZIAGEN twice daily (twice the currently recommended dose), oral methadone clearance increased (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)). This alteration will not result in a methadone dose modification in the majority of patients; however, an increased methadone dose may be required in a small number of patients.

7.2 Sorbitol Coadministration of single doses of lamivudine and sorbitol resulted in a sorbitol dose-dependent reduction in lamivudine exposures. When possible, avoid use of sorbitol-containing medicines with lamivudine-containing medicines [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)]

7.3 Riociguat Coadministration with fixed-dose abacavir/dolutegravir/lamivudine resulted in increased riociguat exposure, which may

increase the risk of riociguat adverse reactions [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)]. The riociguat dose may need to be reduced. See full prescribing information for ADEMPAS (riociguat). **8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**

8.1 Pregnancy

<u>ncy Exposure Registr</u> here is a pregnancy exposure registry that monitors pregnancy outcomes in women exposed to abacavir and lamivudine tablets during pregnancy. Healthcare providers are encouraged to register patients by calling the Antiretroviral Pregnancy Registry (APR) at 1-800-258-4263

Risk Summar Available data from the APR show no difference in the overall risk of birth defects for abacavir or lamivudine compared with he background rate for birth defects of 2.7% in the Metropolitan Atlanta Congenital Defects Program (MACDP) reference population (see Data). The APR uses the MACDP as the U.S. reference population for birth defects in the general population. The MACDP evaluates women and infants from a limited geographic area and does not include outcomes for births that occurred at less than 20 weeks' gestation. The rate of miscarriage is not reported in the APP. The estimated background rate of miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies in the U.S. general population is 15% to 20%. The background risk for major birth defects and miscarriage for the indicated population is unknown.

In animal reproduction studies, oral administration of abacavir to pregnant rats during organogenesis resulted in fetal nations and other embryonic and fetal toxicities at exposures 35 times the human exposure (AUC) at the recommende clinical daily dose. However, no adverse developmental effects were observed following oral administration of abacavir to pregnant rabbits during organogenesis, at exposures approximately 9 times the human exposure (AUC) at the recommended clinical dose. Oral administration of lamivudine to pregnant rabbits during organogenesis resulted in embryolethality at systemic exposure (ALIC) similar to the recommended clinical dose: however, no adverse development effects were observer with oral administration of lamivudine to pregnant rats during organogenesis at plasma concentrations (Cmax) 35 times the recommended clinical dose (see Data).

Juman Data: Abacavir: Based on prospective reports to the APR of exposures to abacavir during pregnancy resulting in live births (including over 1,300 exposed in the first trimester and over 1,300 exposed in the second/third trimester), there was no difference between the overall risk of birth defects for abacavir compared with the background birth defect rate of 2.7% in the 1.S. reference population of the MACDP. The prevalence of defects in live births was 3.2% (95% CI: 2.3% to 4.3%) follow first trimester exposure to abacavir-containing regimens and 2.9% (95% CI: 2.1% to 4.0%) following second/third trimester exposure to abacavir-containing regimens.

Abacavir has been shown to cross the placenta and concentrations in neonatal plasma at birth were essentially equal to those in maternal plasma at delivery [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)].

Lamivudine: Based on prospective reports to the APR of exposures to lamivudine during pregnancy resulting in live births including over 5,300 exposed in the first trimester and over 7,400 exposed in the second/third trimester), there was no liference between the overall risk of birth defects for lamivudine compared with the background birth defect rate of 2.7% in the U.S. reference population of the MACDP. The prevalence of birth defects in live births was 3.1% (95% CI: 2.7% to 3.6%) following first trimester exposure to lamivudine-containing regimens and 2.9% (95% CI: 2.5%, 3.3%) following second/third trimester exposure to lamivudine-containing regimens.

Lamivudine pharmacokinetics were studied in pregnant women during 2 clinical trials conducted in South Africa. The trials assessed pharmacokinetics in 16 women at 36 weeks' gestation using 150 mg lamivudine twice daily with zidovudine, 10 women at 38 weeks' gestation using 150 mg lamivudine twice daily with zidovudine, and 10 women at 38 weeks' gestation using lamivudine 300 mg twice daily without other antiretrovirals. These trials were not designed or powered to provide efficac information. Lamivudine concentrations were generally similar in maternal, neonatal, and umbilical cord serum samples. In a subset of subjects, amniotic fluid specimens were collected following natural rupture of membranes and confirmed that lamivudine crosses the placenta in humans. Based on limited data at delivery, median (range) amniotic fluid concentrations of lamivudine were 3.9 (1.2 to 12.8)-fold greater compared with paired maternal serum concentration (n = 8).

Animal Data: Abacavir: Abacavir was administered orally to pregnant rats (at 100, 300, and 1,000 mg per kg per day) and rabbits (at 125, 350, or 700 mg per kg per day) during organogenesis (on Gestation Days 6 through 17 and 6 through 20, respectively). Fetal malformations) or developmenta toxicity (decreased fetal body weight and crown-rump length) were observed in rats at doses up to 1,000 mg per kg per day esulting in exposures approximately 35 times the human exposure (AUC) at the recommended daily dose. No development effects were observed in rats at 100 mg per kg per day, resulting in exposures (AUC) 3.5 times the human exposure at the recommended daily dose. In a fertility and early embryo-fetal development study conducted in rats (at 60, 160, or 500 mg per kg per day), embryonic and fetal toxicities (increased resorptions, decreased fetal body weights) or toxicities to the offspring creased incidence of stillbirth and lower body weights) occurred at doses up to 500 mg per kg per day. No development ects were observed in rats at 60 mg per kg per day, resulting in exposures (AUC) approximately 4 times the human exposure at the recommended daily dose. Studies in pregnant rats showed that abacavir is transferred to the fetus through the placenta In pregnant rabbits, no developmental toxicities and no increases in fetal malformations occurred at up to the highest dosi evaluated, resulting in exposures (AUC) approximately 9 times the human exposure at the recommended dose.

dine: Lamivudine was administered orally to pregnant rats (at 90, 600, and 4,000 mg per kg per day) and rabbits (at 90, 300 and 1,000 mg per kg per day and at 15, 40, and 90 mg per kg per day) during organoge 6 [rat] and 8 through 20 [rabbit]). No evidence of fetal malformations due to lamivudine was observed in rats and rabbi at doses producing plasma concentrations (C_{mx}) approximately 35 times higher than human exposure at the recommende daily dose. Evidence of early embryolethality was seen in the rabbit at systemic exposures (AUC) similar to those observed n humans, but there was no indication of this effect in the rat at plasma concentrations (C_{max}) 35 times higher than human exposure at the recommended daily dose. Studies in pregnant rats showed that lamivudine is transferred to the fetus through the placenta. In the fertility/pre-and postnatal development study in rats, lamivudine was administered orally at doses of 180 900, and 4,000 mg per kg per day from prior to mating through postnatal Day 20). In the study, development of the offspring, including fertility and reproductive performance, were not affected by the maternal administration of lamiyudine. 8.2 Lactation

Risk Summary

he Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that HIV-1-infected mothers in the United States not breastfeed r infants to avoid risking postnatal transmission of HIV-1 infection. Abacavir and lamivudine are present in human milk. There is no information on the effects of abacavir and lamivudine on the breastfed infant or the effects of the drug on milk production. Because of the potential for (1) HIV-1 transmission (in HIV-negative infants), (2) developing viral resistance (in IV-positive infants), and (3) adverse reactions in a breastfed infant similar to those seen in adults, instruct mothers not to breastfeed if they are receiving abacavir and lamivudine tablets. 8 4 Pediatric Use

using either the combination of EPIVIR and ZIAGEN or abacavir and lamivudine [see Dosage and Administration (2.3), Adverse Reactions (6.2) Clinical Studies (14.2)]

In pediatric patients weighing less than 25 kg, use of abacavir and lamivudine as single products is recommended to achieve appropriate dosing.

MEDICATION GUIDE Abacavir and Lamivudine tablets USP

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What is the most important information I should know about abacavir

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and lamivudine tablets? Abacavir and lamivudine tablets can cause serious side effects,

includina: • Serious allergic reactions (hypersensitivity reaction) that can cause death have happened with abacavir and lamivudine tablets and (AIDS). other abacavir-containing products. Your risk of this allergic reaction Abacavir and lamivudine tablet contains the prescription medicines is much higher if you have a gene variation called HLA-B*5701. Your abacavir and lamivudine.

dene variation. If you get a symptom from 2 or more of the following groups while Do not take abacavir and lamivudine tablets if you:

taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets, call your healthcare provider right away to find out if you should stop taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets.

Symptom(s)		
Group 1	Fever	
Group 2	Rash	
Group 3	Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal (stomach area) pain	
Group 4	Generally ill feeling, extreme tiredness, or achiness	

Group 5 Shortness of breath, cough, sore throat

A list of these symptoms is on the Warning Card your pharmacist gives you. Carry this Warning Card with you at all times.

If you stop abacavir and lamivudine tablets because of an allergic • have kidney problems. reaction. never take abacavir and lamivudine tablets or any other • have heart problems, smoke, or have diseases that increase your abacavir-containing medicine (TRIUMEQ, TRIZIVIR, or ZIAGEN)

- If you have an allergic reaction, dispose of any unused abacavir and lamivudine tablets. Ask your pharmacist how to properly dispose of medicines.
- If you take abacavir and lamivudine tablets or any other abacavircontaining medicine again after you have had an allergic reaction, within hours you may get life-threatening symptoms that may include very low blood pressure or death.
- If you stop abacavir and lamivudine tablets for any other reason, even for a few days, and you are not allergic to abacavir and lamivudine tablets, talk with your healthcare provider before taking it again. Taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets again can cause a **Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take**, serious allergic or life-threatening reaction, even if you never had an allergic reaction to it before.

If your healthcare provider tells you that you can take abacavir medical help or people who can call a healthcare provider if you pharmacist when you get a new medicine. need one.

- Worsening of hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection. If you have HBV get worse (flare-up) if you stop taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets. A "flare-up" is when your HBV infection suddenly returns in a worse way than before.
- Do not run out of abacavir and lamivudine tablets. Refill your prescription or talk to your healthcare provider before your abacavir and lamivudine tablets are all gone.
- Do not stop abacavir and lamivudine tablets without first talking to your healthcare provider.
- If you stop taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets, your healthcare provider will need to check your health often and do blood tests regularly for several months to check your liver function and • Stay under the care of a healthcare provider during treatment with monitor your HBV infection. It may be necessary to give you a abacavir and lamivudine tablets. medicine to treat HBV. Tell your healthcare provider about any • Abacavir and lamivudine tablets may be taken with or without food. abacavir and lamivudine tablets.

• **Resistant HBV.** If you have human immunodeficiency virus-1 (HIV-1) and HBV, the HBV can change (mutate) during your treatment with abacavir and lamivudine tablets and become harder to treat (resistant). • For more information about side effects, see "What are the possible side effects of abacavir and lamivudine tablets?"

What are abacavir and lamivudine tablets?

Abacavir and lamivudine tablets are prescription medicine used with other HIV-1 medicines to treat HIV-1 infection. HIV-1 is the virus that causes Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

healthcare provider can determine with a blood test if you have this Abacavir and lamivudine tablets should not be used in children weighing less than 55 pounds (25 kg).

 have a certain type of gene variation called the HLA-B*5701 allele. Your healthcare provider will test you for this before prescribing treatment with abacavir and lamivudine tablets

• are allergic to abacavir, lamivudine, or any of the ingredients in abacavir and lamivudine tablets. See the end of this Medication Guide for a complete list of ingredients in abacavir and lamivudine tablets

have certain liver problems.

Before you take abacavir and lamivudine tablets tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you: have been tested and know whether or not you have a particular gene

variation called HLA-B*5701. • have or have had liver problems, including hepatitis B or C virus infection

risk of heart disease such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, or diabetes

are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.

Pregnancy Registry. There is a pregnancy registry for women who take HIV-1 medicines during pregnancy. The purpose of this registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. Talk to your healthcare provider about how you can take part in this reaistry

• are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. **Do not breastfeed if you** take abacavir and lamivudine tablets.

 You should not breastfeed if you have HIV-1 because of the risk of passing HIV-1 to your baby.

including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

Some medicines interact with abacavir and lamivudine tablets. **Keep** and lamivudine tablets again, start taking it when you are around a list of your medicines to show your healthcare provider and

• You can ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for a list of medicines that interact with abacavir and lamivudine tablets. infection and take abacavir and lamivudine tablets, your HBV may • Do not start taking a new medicine without telling your healthcare **provider.** Your healthcare provider can tell you if it is safe to take

abacavir and lamivudine tablets with other medicines.

How should I take abacavir and lamivudine tablets?

• Take Abacavir and lamivudine tablets exactly as your healthcare provider tells you to take it.

• Do not change your dose or stop taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets without talking with your healthcare provider.

• If you miss a dose of abacavir and lamivudine tablets, take it as soon as you remember. Do not take 2 doses at the same time or take more than your healthcare provider tells you to take.

new or unusual symptoms you may have after you stop taking • Tell your healthcare provider if your child has trouble swallowing

abacavir and lamivudine tablets.

- your blood may increase and the virus may become harder to treat. same symptoms that you have. It may harm them. You can ask your When your supply starts to run low, get more from your healthcare provider or pharmacy.
- If you take too much abacavir and lamivudine tablets, call your healthcare provider or go to the nearest hospital emergency room right away.

What are the possible side effects of abacavir and lamivudine tablets?

- Abacavir and lamivudine tablets can cause serious side effects including:
- See "What is the most important information I should know about abacavir and lamivudine tablets?"
- Too much lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis). Lactic acidosis is a serious medical emergency that can cause death. **Disclaimer:** Other brands listed are the registered trademarks of their **Call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the** respective owners and are not trademarks of Cipla Limited. following symptoms that could be signs of lactic acidosis:
- \circ feel very weak or tired \circ feel cold, especially in your unusual (not normal) muscle
 feel dizzy or light-headed

heartbeat

- trouble breathing • have a fast or irregular
- stomach pain with nausea
- and vomiting
- Severe liver problems. In some cases, severe liver problems can lead to death. Your liver may become large (hepatomegaly) and you may develop fat in your liver (steatosis). Call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following signs or symptoms of liver problems:
- \circ your skin or the white part \circ loss of appetite for several of your eyes turns yellow days or longer
- (jaundice) dark or "tea-colored" urine o nausea
- light-colored stools (bowel pain, aching, or tenderness movements)
- on the right side of your stomach area

tiredness or weakness

You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or serious liver problems if you are female or very overweight (obese).

- Changes in your immune system (Immune Reconstitution **Syndrome)** can happen when you start taking HIV-1 medicines. Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections that have been hidden in your body for a long time. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you start having new symptoms after you start taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets.
- Heart attack. Some HIV-1 medicines including abacavir and lamivudine tablets may increase your risk of heart attack. The most common side effects of abacavir and lamivudine tablets
- include: allergic reactions
 - dizziness
- trouble sleeping depression
 - nausea
- headache or migraine diarrhea
- Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

These are not all the possible side effects of abacavir and lamivudine tablets. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088

How should I store abacavir and lamivudine tablets?

• Store abacavir and lamivudine tablets at room temperature.

Keep abacavir and lamivudine tablets and all medicines out of the reach of children.

General information for safe and effective use of abacavir and lamivudine tablets.

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide. Do not use abacavir and lamivudine

tablets for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give • Do not run out of abacavir and lamivudine tablets. The virus in abacavir and lamivudine tablets to other people, even if they have the healthcare provider or pharmacist for the information about abacavir and lamivudine tablets that is written for health professionals. For more information go to www.ciplausa.com or call 1-866-604-3268.

What are the ingredients in abacavir and lamivudine tablets? Active ingredients: abacavir and lamivudine

Inactive ingredients: Each film-coated abacavir and lamivudine tablet contains the inactive ingredients microcrystalline cellulose, sodium starch glycolate, hypromellose, corn starch, colloidal silicon dioxide, magnesium stearate. The tablets are coated with a film (Opadry orange 14B53805) that is made of hyperomellose 15CP, titanium dioxide, PEG 400, FD&C Yellow No 6, polysorbate 80.

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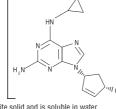
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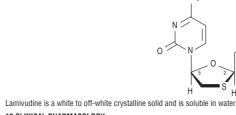
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8.5 Geriatric Use

- Clinical trials of abacavir and lamivudine did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently from younger subjects. In general, caution should be exercised in the administration of abacavir and lamivudine in elderly patients reflecting the greater frequency of decreased hepatic, renal, or cardiac function, and of concomitant disease or other drug therapy [see Dosage and Administration (2.4), Use in Specific Populations (8.6, 8.7)].
- 8.6 Patients with Impaired Renal Function r and lamivudine is not recommended for patients with creatinine clearance less than 30 mL per min because abaca and lamivudine is a fixed-dose combination and the dosage of the individual components cannot be adjusted. If a dose reduction of lamivudine, a component of abacavir and lamivudine, is required for patients with creatinine clearance less than 30 mL per min, then the individual components should be used [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)]. Patients with a creatinine clearance between 30 and 49 mL per min receiving abacavir and lamivudine may experience a 1.6- to
- 3.3-fold higher lamivudine exposure (AUC) than patients with a creatinine clearance \geq 50 mL per min. There are no safety data from randomized, controlled trials comparing abacavir and lamivudine to the individual components in patients with a creatinin clearance between 30 and 49 mL per min who received dose-adjusted lamivudine. In the original lamivudine registrational trial in combination with zidovudine, higher lamivudine exposures were associated with higher rates of hematologic toxicities beutropenia and anemia), although discontinuations diported to the transmission and a second and the second second and the second second and the second second and the second sec
- for hematologic toxicities. If new or worsening neutropenia or anemia develop, dose adjustment of lamivudine, per lamivudine prescribing information, is recommended. If lamivudine dose adjustment is indicated, abacavir and lamivudine should be discontinued and the individual components should be used to construct the treatment regimen. 8.7 Patients with Impaired Hepatic Function dacavir and laminudine is a fixed-dose combination and the dosage of the individual components cannot be adjusted. If a dose duction of abacavir, a component of abacavir and lamivudine, is required for patients with mild hepatic impairment (Child-
- Pugh Class A), then the individual components should be used [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)]. The safety, efficacy, and pharmacokinetic properties of abacavir have not been established in patients with moderate (Child-Pugh Class B) or severe (Child-Pugh Class C) hepatic impairment; therefore, abacavir and lamivudine is contraindicated in these patients [see Contraindications (4)]. 10 OVERDOSAGE
- There is no known specific treatment for overdose with abacavir and lamivudine. If overdose occurs, the patient should be monitored, and standard supportive treatment applied as required. Abacavir: It is not known whether abacavir can be removed by peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis.
- Lamivudine: Because a negligible amount of lamivudine was removed via (4-hour) hemodialysis, continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis, and automated peritoneal dialysis, it is not known if continuous hemodialysis would provide clinical benefit in a lamivudine overdose event. 11 DESCRIPTION
- <u>Abacavir and lamivudine tablets USP</u> Abacavir and lamivudine tablets USP contain the following 2 synthetic nucleoside analogues: abacavir (ZIAGEN, also a component of TRIZIVIR) and lamivudine (also known as EPIVIR or 3TC) with inhibitory activity against HIV-1. Abacavir and lamivudine tablets USP are for oral administration. Each orange, film-coated tablet contains the active ingredient 600 mg of abacavir as bacavir sulfate and 300 mg of lamivudine, and the inactive ingredients microcrystalline cellulose sodium starch glycolate, hypromellose, corn starch, colloidal silicon dioxide, magnesium stearate. The tablets are coated with a film (Opadry orange 14B53805) that is made of hyperomellose 15CP, titanium dioxide, PEG 400, FD&C Yellow No 6 lysorbate 80.
- <u>Abacavir Sulfate</u> The chemical name of abacavir sulfate is (1S,cis)-4-[2-amino-6-(cyclopropylamino)-9H-purin-9-yl]-2-cyclopentene-1 methanol sulfate (salt) (2:1). Abacavir sulfate is the enantiomer with 1S, 4R absolute configuration on the cyclop It has a molecular formula of $(C_{t_4}H_{t_8}N_{\mu}O)_{2}$ + $H_{2}SO_{4}$ and a molecular weight of 670.76 g per mol. It has the following structura



Abacavir sulfate is a white to off-white solid and is soluble in wate Lamivudine is a substrate of P-gp and BCRP; however, considering its absolute bioavailability (87%), it is unlikely that these transporters play a significant role in the absorption of lamivudine. Therefore, coadministration of drugs that are inhibitors of these efflux transporters is unlikely to affect the disposition and elimination of lamivudine. In vivo, abacavir sulfate dissociates to its free base, abacavir. Dosages are expressed in terms of abacavir The chemical name of lamivudine is (2R,cis)-4-amino-1-(2-hydroxymethyl-1,3-oxathiolan-5-yl)-(1H)-pyrimidin-2-or Abacavir: Lamivudine and/or Zidovudine: Fifteen HIV-1-infected subjects were enrolled in a crossover-designed drug interaction trial evaluating single doses of abacavir (600 mg), lamivudine (150 mg), and zidovudine (300 mg) alone or in combination. Analysis showed no clinically relevant changes in the pharmacokinetics of abacavir with the addition of Lamivudine is the (-)enantiomer of a dideoxy analogue of cytidine. Lamivudine has also been referred to as (-)2',3'-dideoxy 3'-thiacytidine. It has a molecular formula of C,H,N,O,S and a molecular weight of 229.3 g per mol. It has the following structural formula: lamivudine or zidovudine or the combination of lamivudine and zidovudine. Lamivudine exposure (AUC decreased 15%) and zidovudine exposure (AUC increased 10%) did not show clinically relevant changes with concurrent abacavir. Lamivudine: Zidovudine: No clinically significant alterations in lamivudine or zidovudine pharmacokinetics were observed in 12 asymptomatic HIV-1-infected adult subjects given a single dose of zidovudine (200 mg) in combination with multiple doses of lamivudine (300 mg every 12 h). <u>Uther Interactions</u> *Ethanol:* Abacavir has no effect on the pharmacokinetic properties of ethanol. Ethanol decreases the elimination of abacavir



12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY 12.1 Mechanism of Action

12.3 Pharmacokinetics Pharmacokinetics in Adults

- In a single-dose, 3-way crossover bioavailability trial of 1 abacavir and lamivudine tablet versus 2 ZIAGEN tablets (2 x 300 mg) and 2 EPIVIR tablets (2 x 150 mg) administered simultaneously in healthy subjects (n = 25), there was no difference in the extent of absorption, as measured by the area under the plasma concentration-time curve (AUC) and maximal peal concentration (C_{max}), of each component
- of a single dose of 600 mg of abacavir in 20 subjects, C_{max} was 4.26 ± 1.19 mcg per mL (mean ± SD) and AUC was 11.95 ± 2.51 mcg-hour per mL. Binding of abacavir to human plasma proteins is approximately 50% and was independent of concentration. Total blood and plasma drug-related radioactivity concentrations are identical, demonstrating that abacavir
- to form the 5'-carboxylic acid and glucuronyl transferase to form the 5'-glucuronide. Lamivudine: Following oral administration, lamivudine is rapidly absorbed and extensively distributed. After multiple-dose
- oral administration of lamivudine 300 mg once daily for 7 days to 60 healthy subjects, steady-state C_{max} ($C_{max,sb}$ was 2.04 \pm 0.54 mcg per mL (mean \pm SD) and the 24-hour steady-state AUC (AUC_{24,sb}) was 8.87 \pm 1.83 mcg-hour per mL. Binding to plasma protein is low. Approximately 70% of an intravenous dose of lamivudine is recovered as unchanged drug in the
- urine. Metabolism of lamivudine is a minor route of elimination. In humans, the only known metabolite is the trans-sulfoxide netabolite (approximately 5% of an oral dose after 12 hours).
- In humans, abacavir and lamivudine are not significantly metabolized by cytochrome P450 (CYP) enzymes The pharmacokinetic properties of abacavir and lamivudine in fasting subject

Parameter	Abaca	avir	Lamivudine	
Oral bioavailability (%)	86 ± 25	n = 6	86 ± 16	n = 12
Apparent volume of distribution (L/kg)	0.86 ± 0.15	n = 6	1.3 ± 0.4	n = 20
Systemic clearance (L/h/kg)	0.80 ± 0.24	n = 6	0.33 ± 0.06	n = 20
Renal clearance (L/h/kg)	0.007 ± 0.008	n = 6	0.22 ± 0.06	n = 20

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Elimination half-life (h)	1.45 ± 0.32	n = 20	13 to 1	9 ^b

Abacavir: Following oral administration, abacavir is rapidly absorbed and extensively distributed. After oral administration

cts are summarized in Table 2.
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Interferon Alfa: There was no significant pharmacokinetic interaction between lamivudine and interferon alfa in a trial of 19

Methadone: In a trial of 11 HIV-1-infected subjects receiving methadone-maintenance therapy (40 mg and 90 mg daily), with

properties of abacavi

pharmacokinetic (e.g., plasma concentrations or intracellular triphosphorylated active metabolite concentrations) or pharmacodynamic (e.g., loss of HIV-1/HCV virologic suppression) interaction was observed when ribavirin and lamivudine (n

Coadministered Drug and Dose	Drug and Dose	n	Concentrations of Abacavir or Lamivudine		Concentration of Coadministered
			AUC	Variability	Drug
Ethanol 0.7 g/kg	Abacavir Single 600 mg	24	<u></u> ↑41%	90% CI: 35% to 48%	↔ª
Nelfinavir 750 mg every 8 h x 7 to 10 days	Lamivudine Single 150 mg	11	10%	95% CI: 1% to 20%	\leftrightarrow
Trimethoprim 160 mg/ Sulfamethoxazole	Lamivudine Single 300 mg	14	143%	90% CI: 32% to 55%	\leftrightarrow

800 mg daily x 5 day

^a The drug-drug interaction was only evaluated in males.

Table 3. Effect of Coadministered Drugs on Abacavir or Lamivudine						
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One abacavir and lamivudine tablet given once daily is an alternative regimen to EPIVIR tablets 300 mg once daily plus ZIAGEN tablets 2 x 300 mg once daily as a component of antiretroviral thera The following trial was conducted with the individual components of abacavir and lamivudine Therapy-Naive Adults CNA30021 was an international, multicenter, double-blind, controlled trial in which 770 HIV-1-infected, therapy-naive adults were randomized and received either ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily or ZIAGEN 300 mg twice daily, both in combination with EPIVIR 300 mg once daily and efavirenz 600 mg once daily. The double-blind treatment duration was at least 48 weeks. Trial

ntrations. This interaction is not considered clinically significant as no dose

= 18), stavudine (n = 10), or zidovudine (n = 6) were coadministered as part of a multi-drug regimen to HIV-1/HCV co-infected Sorbitol (Excipient): Lamivudine and sorbitol solutions were coadministered to 16 healthy adult subjects in an open-label.

the AUC, .; and 28%, 52%, and 55% in the Cmax; of lamivudine, respectively

Table 4. Outcomes of Randomized Treatment through Week 48 (CNA30021)

healthy male subjects

Ribavirin: In vitro data indicate ribavirin reduces phosphorylation of lamivudine, stavudine, and zidovudine. However, no

600 mg of 21AGEN twice daily (twice the currently recommended dose), oral methadone clearance increased 22% (90% CI: 6% to 42%) [see Drug Interactions (7)]. The addition of methadone has no clinically significant effect on the pharmacokinetic

Data presented as mean ± standard deviation except where note

ir and lamivudine may be administered with or without food. Administration with a high-fat meal in a single-dose

with Renal Impairment: The pharmacokinetics for the individual lamivudine component of abacavir and lamivudine

bioaxiability trial resulted in no change in AUC_w, AUC_w, and C_w for laminustration with a high-rat linear in a single-dose bioaxiability trial resulted in no change in AUC_w, AUC_w, and C_w for laminustration at later the extent of systemic exposure to abacavir (AUC_w), but the rate of absorption (C_{ww}) was decreased approximately 24% compared with fasted

nditions (n = 25). These results are similar to those from previous trials of the effect of food on abacavir and lamivudine

has been evaluated in patients with renal impairment (see the U.S. prescribing information for the individual lamivudine

Patients with Hepatic Impairment: The pharmacokinetics for the individual components of abacavir and lamivudine have been

evaluated in patients with varying degrees of hepatic impairment (see the U.S. prescribing information for the individual

Pregnant Women: Abacavir: Abacavir pharmacokinetics were studied in 25 pregnant women during the last trimester of pregnancy receiving abacavir 300 mg twice daily. Abacavir exposure (AUC) during pregnancy was similar to those in postpartum and in HIV-infected non-pregnant historical controls. Consistent with passive diffusion of abacavir across the

Lamivudine: Lamivudine pharmacokinetics were studied in 36 pregnant women during 2 clinical trials conducted in South

Africa, Lamivudine pharmacokinetics in pregnant women were similar to those seen in non-pregnant adults and in postpartum

Pediatric Patients: Abacavir and Lamivudine: The pharmacokinetic data for abacavir and lamivudine following administration

of abacavir and lamivudine in pediatric subjects weighing 25 kg and above are limited. The dosing recommendations in this population are based on the safety and efficacy established in a controlled trial conducted using either the combination of EPIVIR and ZIAGEN or abacavir and lamivudine. Refer to the EPIVIR and ZIAGEN USPI for pharmacokinetic information on

the individual products in pediatric patients [see Dosage and Administration (2.3), Adverse Reactions (6.2), Clinical Studies

Geriatric Patients: The pharmacokinetics of abacavir and lamivudine have not been studied in subjects over 65 years of age.

Male and Female Patients: There are no significant or clinically relevant gender differences in the pharmacokinetics of the

Racial Groups: There are no significant or clinically relevant racial differences in pharmacokinetics of the individual components

The drug interactions described are based on trials conducted with abacavir or lamivudine as single entities; no drug interaction

Effect of Abacavir and Lamivudine on the Pharmacokinetics of Other Agents: In vitro studies have shown that abacavir has

potential to inhibit CYP1A1 and limited potential to inhibit metabolism mediated by CYP3A4. Lamivudine does not inhibit or

induce CYP3A4. Abacavir and lamivudine do not inhibit or induce other CYP enzymes (such as CYP2C9 or CYP2D6). Based on

vitro study results, abacavir and lamivudine at therapeutic drug exposures are not expected to affect the pharmacokir

of drugs that are substrates of the following transporters: organic anion transporter polypeptide (OATP)1B1/3, breast cancel

resistance protein (BCRP) or P-glycoprotein (P-gp), organic cation transporter (OCT)1, OCT2, OCT3 (lamivudine only), or multidrug and toxic extrusion protein (MATE)1 and MATE2-K.

Riociguat: Coadministration of a single dose of riociguat (0.5 mg) to HIV-1-infected subjects receiving fixed-dose abacavir,

due to CYP1A1 inhibition by abacavir. The exact magnitude of increase in riociguat exposure has not been fully characterized

Effect of Other Agents on the Pharmacokinetics of Abacavir or Lamivudine: Abacavir and lamivudine are not significantly

metabolized by CVP enzymes; therefore, CVP enzyme inhibitors or inducers are not expected to affect their concentrations. In vitro, abacavir is not a substrate of OATP1B1, OATP1B3, OCT1, OCT2, OAT1, MATE1, MATE2-K, multidrug resistance-

associated protein 2 (MRP2) or MRP4; therefore, drugs that modulate these transporters are not expected to affect abacavir

Lamivudine is a substrate of MATE1, MATE2-K, and OCT2 in vitro. Trimethoprim (an inhibitor of these drug transporters) has

(83%), modulators of these transporters are unlikely to result in a clinically relevant impact on abacavir concentrations.

ma concentrations. Abacavir is a substrate of BCRP and P-gp in vitro; however, considering its absolute bioavailability

avir/lamivudine is reported to increase riociguat AUC(∞) compared with riociguat AUC(∞) reported in healthy subjects

(abacavir or lamivudine) based on the available information that was analyzed for each of the individual components.

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women. Lamivudine concentrations were generally similar in maternal, neonatal, and umbilical cord serum samples.

enta, abacavir concentrations in neonatal plasma cord samples at birth were essentially equal to those in maternal plasma

Effect of Food on Absorption of Abacavir and lamivudine

• Approximate range.

Specific Populations

Drug Interaction Studies

adjustment of lamivudine is needed

trials have been conducted with abacavir and lamivudine

based on findings from two studies [see Drug Interactions (7.3)].

component)

tablets administered separately.

abacavir and lamivudine components)

12.4 Microbiolog

viral DNA.

Antiviral Activity

2- to 6-fold in cell culture

Cross-Resistance

Mutagenicity

DNA synthesis in rat live

Impairment of Fertility

13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology

The outcomes of randomized treatment are provided in Table 4.

finding has not been determine

14 CLINICAL STUDIES

Virologic failure^b

Discontinued due to adverse reaction

iscontinued due to other reasons

and insufficient viral load response.

biects achieved and maintained co

dose of 300 mg.

Mechanism of Action Abacavir: Abacavir is a carbocyclic synthetic nucleoside analogue. Abacavir is converted by cellular enzymes to the active

metabolite, carbovir triphosphate (CBV-TP), an analogue of deoxyguanosine-5'-triphosphate (dGTP). CBV-TP inhibits the

activity of HIV-1 reverse transcriptase (RT) both by competing with the natural substrate dGTP and by its incorporation into

Lamivudine: Lamivudine is a synthetic nucleoside analogue. Intracellularly lamivudine is phosphorylated to its active 5'-triphosphate metabolite, lamivudine triphosphate (3TC-TP). The principal mode of action of 3TC-TP is inhibition of RT via

Abacavir: The antiviral activity of abacavir against HIV-1 was assessed in a number of cell lines including primary monocytes macrophages and peripheral blood monouclear cells (PBMCs). EC_{so} values ranged from 3,700 to 5,800 nM (1 mL = 0.28 ng per mL) and 70 to 1,000 nM against HIV-1_{ms} and HIV-1_{ms}, respectively, and the mean EC_{so} values value was 260 ± 180 nM against 8 clinical isolates. The median EC_{so} values of abacavir were 344 nM (range: 14.8 to 676 nM), 16.9 nM (range: 5.9 to 27.9 nM),

nM (range: 1.5 to 16.7 nM), 356 nM (range: 35.7 to 396 nM), 105 nM (range: 28.1 to 168 nM), 47.6 nM (range: 5.2 to

Lamivudine: The antiviral activity of lamivudine against HIV-1 was assessed in a number of cell lines including monocytes

and PBMCs using standard susceptibility assays. EC $_{sn}$ values were in the range of 3 to 15,000 nM (1 nM = 0.23 ng per mL

The median EC values of lamivudine were 60 nM (range: 20 to 70 nM) 35 nM (range: 30 to 40 nM) 30 nM (range: 20 t

90 nM), 20 nM (range: 3 to 40 nM), 30 nM (range: 1 to 60 nM), 30 nM (range: 20 to 70 nM), 30 nM (range: 3 to 70 nM), and 30 nM (range: 20 to 90 nM) against HIV-1 clades A-G and group O viruses (n = 3 except n = 2 for clade B), respectively. The

 EC_{en} values against HIV-2 isolates (n = 4) ranged from 3 to 120 nM in PBMCs. Ribavirin (50,000 nM) used in the treatment of

The combination of abacavir and lamivudine has demonstrated antiviral activity in cell culture against non-subtype B

isolates and HIV-2 isolates with equivalent antiviral activity as for subtype B isolates. Neither abacavir, nor lamivudine, were

antagonistic to all tested anti-HIV agents. See full prescribing information for ZIAGEN (abacavir) and EPIVIR (lamivudine). Ribavirin, used in the treatment of HCV infection, decreased the anti-HIV-1 potency of abacavir/lamivudine reproducibly by

-1 isolates with reduced susceptibility to the combination of abacavir and lamivudine have been selected in cell culture with

amino acid substitutions K65B, L74V, Y115E, and M184V/I emerging in HIV-1 BT, M184V or I substitutions resulted in high-

evel resistance to lamivations Kosh, LT4V, TH3V, and MT4VM energing in the TH1. Move of saussituations resulted in high level resistance to lamivations Kosh, LT4M, or Y115F with M184V or I conferred a 7- to 8-fold reduction in abacavir susceptibility, and combinations of three substitutions

lamivudine has demonstrated decreased susceptibility to viruses with a K65R substitution with or without an M184V/I

substitution, viruses with L74V plus the M184V/I substitution, and viruses with thymidine analog mutation substitutions

Abacavir: Abacavir was administered orally at 3 dosage levels to separate groups of mice and rats in 2-year carcinogenicity

in the preputial gland of males and the clitoral gland of females of both species, and in the liver of female rats. In addition

at exposures up to 10 times (mice) and 58 times (rats) the human exposures at the recommended dose of 300 mg.

non-malignant tumors also occurred in the liver and thyroid gland of female rats. These observations were made at systemic exposures in the range of 6 to 32 times the human exposure at the recommended dose of 600 mg.

Abacavir: Abacavir induced chromosomal aberrations both in the presence and absence of metabolic activation in an in vitro

cytogenetic study in human lymphocytes. Abacavir was mutagenic in the absence of metabolic activation, although it was not

mutagenic in the presence of metabolic activation in an L5178Y mouse lymphoma assay. Abacavir was clastogenic in males and not clastogenic in females in an in vivo mouse bone marrow micronucleus assay. Abacavir was not mutagenic in bacterial

Lamivudine: Lamivudine was mutagenic in an L5178Y mouse lymphoma assay and clastogenic in a cytogenetic assay using cultured human lymphocytes. Lamivudine was not mutagenic in a microbial mutagenicity assay, in an in vitro cell

ormation assay, in a rat micronucleus test, in a rat bone marrow cytogenetic assay, and in an assay for unscheduled

Abacavir: Abacavir did not affect male or female fertility in rats at a dose associated with exposures (AUC) approximately 3.3

Lamivudine: Lamivudine did not affect male or female fertility in rats at doses up to 4,000 mg per kg per day, associated with

concentrations approximately 42 times (male) or 63 times (female) higher than the concentrations (C...) in humans at the

Myocardial degeneration was found in mice and rats following administration of abacavir for 2 years. The systemic exposures

were equivalent to 7 to 24 times the expected systemic exposure in humans at a dose of 600 mg. The clinical relevance of this

participants had a mean age of 37 years; were male (81%), white (54%), black (27%), and American Hispanic (15%), The

ZIAGEN 300 mg b.i.d

plus EPIVIR plus

(n = 386)

11% (5%)

ed HIV-1 RNA less than 50 copies per mL (less than 400 copies per mL) through

Efavirenz

median baseline CD4+ cell count was 262 cells per mm³ (range: 21 to 918 cells per mm³) and the median baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA was 4.89 log₁₀ copies per mL (range: 2.60 to $6.99 \log_{10}$ copies per mL).

ZIAGEN 600 ma a.d.

plus EPIVIR plu

Efavirenz

(n = 384

64% (71%)

11% (5%)

Week 48 (Roche AMPLICOR Ultrasensitive HIV-1 MONITOR standard test version 1.0). ^b Includes viral rebound, failure to achieve confirmed less than 50 copies per mL (less than 400 copies per mL) by Week 48,

After 48 weeks of therapy, the median CD4+ cell count increases from baseline were 188 cells per mm³ in the group receiving ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily and 200 cells per mm3 in the group receiving ZIAGEN 300 mg twice daily. Through Week 48, 6

subjects (2%) in the group receiving ZIAGEN 600 mg once daily (4 CDC classification C events and 2 deaths) and 10 subjects (3%) in the group receiving ZIAGEN 300 mg twice daily (7 CDC classification C events and 3 deaths) experienced clinical

14.2 Pediatric Subjects ARROW (COL105677) was a 5-year, randomized, multicenter trial which evaluated multiple aspects of clinical management of

HIV-1 infection in pediatric subjects. HIV-1-infected, treatment-naïve subjects aged 3 months to 17 years were enrolled and

includes consent withdrawn, lost to follow-up, protocol violations, clinical progression, and other.

disease progression. None of the deaths were attributed to trial medications.

nivudine: Long-term carcinogenicity studies with lamivudine in mice and rats showed no evidence of carcinogenic potential

(TAMs: M41L, D67N, K70R, L210W, T215Y/F, K219E/R/H/Q/N) plus M184V. An increasing number of TAMs is associated with

resistance has been observed among nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors (NRTIs). The combi

studies. Results showed an increase in the incidence of malignant and non-malignant tumors. Malignan

200 nM), 51.4 nM (range: 7.1 to 177 nM), and 282 nM (range: 22.4 to 598 nM) against HIV-1 clades A-G and grou

onic HCV infection decreased the anti-HIV-1 activity of lamivudine by 3.5-fold in MT-4 cells.

(n = 3 except n = 2 for clade B), respectively. The EC_{so} values against HIV-2 isolates (n = 4) ranged from 24 to 490 nM.

chain termination after incorporation of the nucleotide analogue.

were required to confer more than an 8-fold reduction in susceptibility.

a progressive reduction in abacavir susceptibility

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

mutagenicity assays in the presence and absence of metabolic activation.

times (male) or 4.1 times (female) those in humans at the clinically recommended dose

13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

randomized-sequence, 4-period, crossover trial. Each subject received a single 300-mg dose of lamivudine oral solution alone or coadministered with a single dose of 3.2 grams, 10.2 grams, or 13.4 grams of sorbitol in solution. Coadministration of lamivudine with sorbitol resulted in dose-dependent decreases of 20%, 39%, and 44% in the AUC (man); 14%, 32%, and 36% in

readily distributes into erythrocytes. The primary routes of elimination of abacavir are metabolism by alcohol dehydrogenase The effects of other coadministered druos on abacavir or lamivudine are provided in Table 3

treated with a first-line regimen containing abacavir and lamivudine, dosed twice daily according to World Health Organization recommendations. After a minimum of 36 weeks of treatment, subjects were given the option to participate in Randomization 3 of the ARROW trial, comparing the safety and efficacy of once-daily dosing with twice-daily dosing of abacavir and lamivuding in combination with a third antiretroviral drug, for an additional 96 weeks. Virologic suppression was not a requirement for participation at baseline for Randomization 3. At baseline for Randomization 3 (following a minimum of 36 weeks of twicedaily treatment), 75% of subjects in the twice-daily cohort were virologically suppressed, compared with 71% of subjects in

Of the 1,206 original ARROW subjects, 669 participated in Randomization 3. Subjects randomized to receive once-daily dosing (n = 336) and who weighed at least 25 kg received abacavir 600 mg and lamivudine 300 mg, as either the single entities or The proportions of subjects with HIV-1 RNA less than 80 copies per mL through 96 weeks are shown in Table 5. The differences

between virologic responses in the two treatment arms were comparable across baseline characteristics for gender and age. Table 5. Virologic Outcome of Randomized Treatment at Week 96^a (ARROW Randomization 3)

ir plus Lamivudine Twice- Daily Dosing (n = 333)	Abacavir plus Lamivudine Once-Daily Dosing (n = 336)
70%	67%
28%	31%
1%	<1%
0%	<1%
1%	1%
nin the Week 96 window.	

^b Risk difference (95% CI) of response rate is -2.4% (-9% to 5%) at Week 96.

HIV-1 RNA <80 copies/mL^b

No virologic data

per mL (or missing)

IV-1 RNA ≥80 copies/mL

nued due to adverse event or deal

es were based on the last observed v

tinued study for other reason

16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

Container pack of 30 tablets NDC 69097-362-02

Advise the patient to read the FDA-approved patient labeling (Medication Guide).

17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

· to carry the Warning Card with them

Patients with Hepatitis B or C Co-infection

Lactic Acidosis/Hepatomegaly with Steatosis

started [see Warnings and Precautions (5.4)].

ny known symptom persists or worsens.

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° Includes subjects who discontinued due to lack or loss of efficacy or for reasons other than an adverse event or death, and had a viral load value of greater than or equal to 80 copies per mL, or subjects who had a switch in background regimen that Other includes reasons such as withdrew consent, loss to follow-up, etc. and the last available HIV-1 RNA less than 80 copies

Abacavir and lamivudine tablets USP is available as tablets. Each tablet contains 600 mg of abacavir as abacavir sulfate and 300 mg of lamivudine. The tablets are orange coloured, capsule shaped, biconvex, film coated tablets debossed with 'C' on one

Store at 25°C (77°F); excursions permitted to 15° to 30°C (59° to 86°F) (see USP Controlled Room Temperature).

 that a Medication Guide and Warning Card summarizing the symptoms of the abacavir hypersensitivity reaction and other t information will be dispensed by the pharmacist with each new prescription and refill of abacavir and lamiv and instruct the patient to read the Medication Guide and Warning Card every time to obtain any new information that may be present about abacavir and lamivudine. The complete text of the Medication Guide is reprinted at the end of this

 how to identify a hypersensitivity reaction [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1), Medication Guide, · that if they develop symptoms consistent with a hypersensitivity reaction they should call their healthcare provider right

away to determine if they should stop taking abacavir and lamivudine. that a hypersensitivity reaction can worsen and lead to hospitalization or death if abacavir and lamivudine is not immediate · to not restart abacavir and lamivudine or any other abacavir-containing product following a hypersensitivity reaction

because more severe symptoms can occur within hours and may include life-threatening hypotension and dea · that if they have a hypersensitivity reaction, they should dispose of any unused abacavir and lamivudine tablets to avoid that a hypersensitivity reaction is usually reversible if it is detected promptly and abacavir and lamivudine is stopped rig

· that if they have interrupted abacavir and lamivudine for reasons other than symptoms of hypersensitivity (for example those who have an interruption in drug supply), a serious or fatal hypersensitivity reaction may occur with reintroduction to not restart abacavir and lamivudine or any other abacavir-containing product without medical consultation and only in

medical care can be readily accessed by the patient or others. Advise patients co-infected with HIV-1 and HBV that worsening of liver disease has occurred in some cases when treatment with lamivudine was discontinued. Advise patients to discuss any changes in regimen with their physician [see Warnings and

Advise patients that lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis have been reported with use of nucleoside analogues and other antiretrovirals. Advise patients to stop taking abacavir and lamivudine tablets if they develop clinical symptoms suggestive of lactic acidosis or pronounced hepatotoxicity [see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)].

Immune Reconstitution Syndrome. Advise patients to inform their healthcare provider immediately of any signs and symptoms of infection as inflammation from previous infection may occur soon after combination antiretroviral therapy, including when abacavir and lamivudine tablets are

Advise patients that there is a pregnancy exposure registry that monitors pregnancy outcomes in women exposed to abacav and lamivudine during pregnancy [see Use in Specific Populations (8.1)]. Instruct women with HIV-1 infection not to breastfeed because HIV-1 can be passed to the baby in the breast milk [see Use

Missed Dose Instruct patients that if they miss a dose of abacavir and lamivudine tablets, to take it as soon as they remember. Advise

patients not to double their next dose or take more than the prescribed dose [see Dosage and Administration (2)] Availability of Medication Guide Instruct patients to read the Medication Guide before starting abacavir and lamivudine tablets and to re-read it each time the

prescription is renewed. Instruct patients to inform their physician or pharmacist if they develop any unusual symptom, or if Disclaimer: Other brands listed are the registered trademarks of their respective owners and are not trademarks of Cipla