

A Phase 3 Study to Evaluate Pimavanserin for the Treatment of Hallucinations and Delusions Associated With Dementia-related Psychosis: Study Population and Design

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INTRODUCTION

- There are no approved treatments for Dementia-related Psychosis
- Neuropsychiatric symptoms are associated with a worse prognosis in dementia¹
- Off-label use of older atypical antipsychotics demonstrates modest or equivocal efficacy, and significant safety concerns²
 - Meta-analysis of antipsychotic studies in Alzheimer's disease suggests a small, though statistically significant, effect size (Cohen's d) of approximately 0.2³
- Older antipsychotics are associated with compromised cognition and adverse events⁴

RATIONALE FOR THE NOVEL DESIGN OF ACP-103-045 (HARMONY)

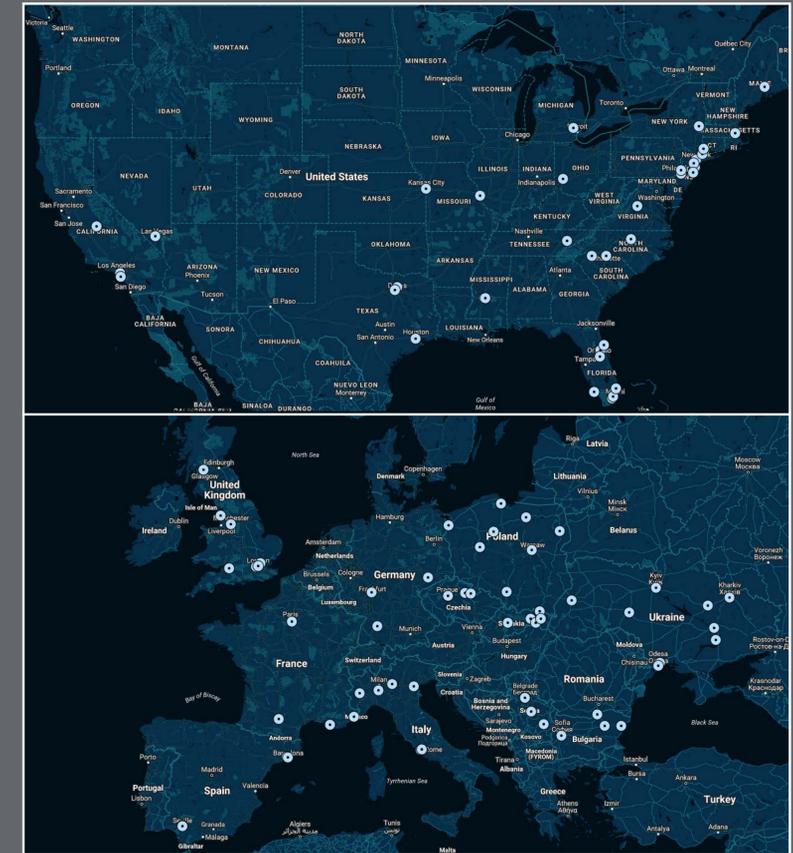
Patient Population

- Pimavanserin has demonstrated efficacy in treating psychosis in Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease (AD)
 - AD accounts for ~70% of all dementias
- There is a significant overlap in clinical presentation and clinical pathology of the subtypes of dementias associated with psychosis
- Dementia-related psychosis is managed clinically the same way regardless of dementia subtype

Study Design

- Brief Psychosocial Therapy utilized in the screening period identifies subjects who respond without pharmacologic therapy⁶
- Active treatment initiation for all subjects should increase enrollment rates
- Subjects who do not respond to pimavanserin leave the study
 - Reduces exposure to drug for those for whom drug is not working
- Primary endpoint is based on protocol-defined relapse criteria applied by the investigator and confirmed by an Independent Adjudication Committee
- Time to relapse is inherently a clinically relevant outcome: mimics both clinical guidelines for approach to use of antipsychotics in dementia patients (American College of Physicians guidelines), and how clinicians practice
 - Minimizes treatment with placebo (or pimavanserin) in subjects who relapse

106 TRIAL SITES IN 13 COUNTRIES*



BACKGROUND

Pimavanserin mechanism of action

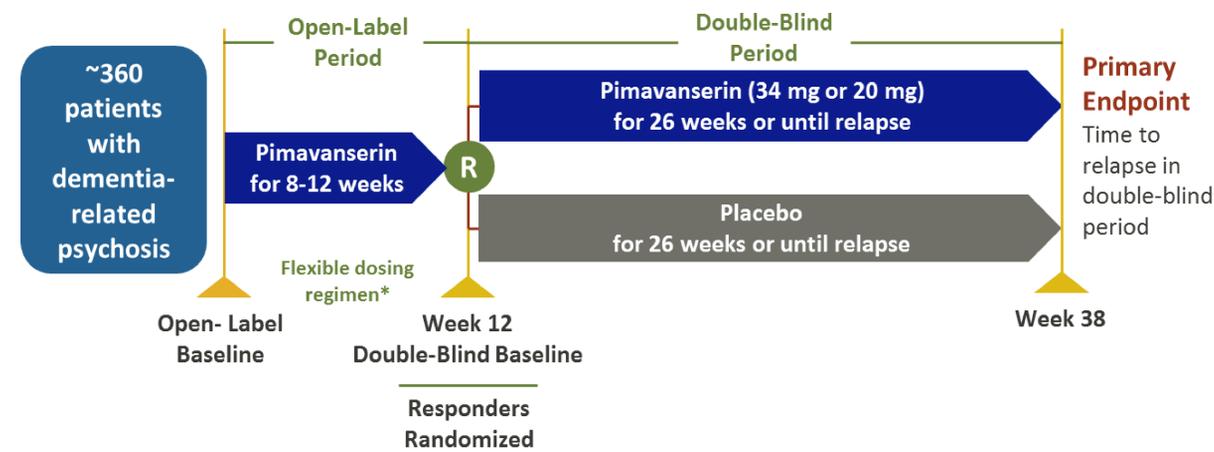
- Selective serotonin antagonist/inverse agonist with activity at 5-HT_{2A} and to a lesser extent at 5-HT_{2C} receptors
- No appreciable binding affinity for dopaminergic, histaminergic, muscarinic, or adrenergic receptors per *in vitro* studies

Pimavanserin efficacy in Alzheimer's disease psychosis (ADP)⁵

- Phase 2, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial designed evaluated the safety and efficacy of pimavanserin (n=90) vs placebo (n=91) as a treatment for subjects with ADP
- Significant improvement in psychotic symptoms at the primary endpoint (Week 6)
 - Multiple sensitivity and responder analyses supportive of primary results
- Improvements maintained through Week 12; however difference from placebo not sustained from Week 6
- Pimavanserin well tolerated with no new safety observations
- No negative impact on cognition over 12 weeks of treatment as assessed by MMSE
- Adverse events
 - Serious adverse events more frequent in the pimavanserin group (17%) than the placebo group (11%)
 - Fewer discontinuations due to adverse events in the pimavanserin group (9%) than the placebo group (12%)

HARMONY STUDY DESIGN

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multi-center relapse prevention outpatient study



*Starting daily dose of 34 mg of pimavanserin at open-label baseline may be adjusted between 20 mg and 34 mg, during weeks one and four, if clinically justified.

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INCLUSION/EXCLUSION CRITERIA

Key Inclusion Criteria

- Adults age 50 – 90 meeting clinical criteria for one of the following disorders:
 - Dementia associated with Parkinson's disease
 - Dementia with Lewy bodies
 - Possible or probable Alzheimer's disease
 - Possible or probable frontotemporal degeneration spectrum disorders
 - Vascular dementia
- MMSE score ≥ 6 and ≤ 24
- Psychotic symptoms for at least 2 months

Key Exclusion Criteria

- Psychotic symptoms that are primarily attributable to a condition other than dementia
- Personal or family history or symptoms of long QT syndrome
- Evidence of a non-neurologic medical comorbidity or medication use that could substantially impair cognition