

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparative bioequivalence study of Aprepitant 125 mg capsule of ACTOVERCO and MERCK Inc. in 24 healthy male under fasting conditions

Protocol summary

Study aim

This study will be performed to compare the pharmacokinetics and in vivo parameters of Aprepitant 125 mg formulation as a test product with EMEND® tablet formulation as a reference product and to evaluate the biocompatibility of these two formulations.

Design

Randomized, single-dose, crossover comparative bioequivalence study of Aprepitant 125 mg capsule of Actover. and Merk. in 24 healthy male under fasting.

Settings and conduct

In each period, volunteers will receive a single dose of the treatment in the Farabi Clinic (Eslamshahr, Tehran). 2 dosing periods will be separated by a 7-day washout period.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Healthy subjects (male) between 20–45 years of age and Body Mass Index (BMI) 18.5 - 30 (inclusive); Subjects with no significant diseases or clinically significant abnormal findings during screening, medical history, clinical examination, and laboratory evaluations; Subjects with normal vital signs; Known hypersensitivity to Aprepitant or its analogs; Smoking more than ten cigarettes per day and could not tolerate cigarette cessation during each clinical period.

Intervention groups

Intervention group (test): Aprepitant 125 mg capsule, produced by Actover is the test product. In each period, 12 of 24 subjects will be given a single oral dose of this product. Intervention group (Reference): EMEND® capsule, produced by MERCK is the reference product. In each period, 12 of 24 subjects will be given a single oral dose of this product.

Main outcome variables

Peak Plasma Concentration

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20180620040164N10**
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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-10-09, 1400/07/17

Expected recruitment end date

2021-10-23, 1400/08/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

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Scientific title

Comparative bioequivalence study of Aprepitant 125 mg capsule of ACTOVERCO and MERCK Inc. in 24 healthy

male under fasting conditions

Public title

Bioequivalence study of Aprepitant 125 mg capsule in 24 healthy male under fasting conditions

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Healthy subjects (male) between 20 – 45 years of age and Body Mass Index (BMI) within 15% of normal range according to the accepted average values between 18.5 and 30 (inclusive), calculated as kg/m². Subjects with no significant diseases or clinically significant abnormal findings during screening, medical history, clinical examination, and laboratory evaluations. Subjects with normal vital signs. Subjects who agree with the patient consent form.

Exclusion criteria:

Subject has a history of mentally or legally incapacitated, significant emotional problems at the time of the study, a history of major psychiatric disorders, clinically significant disease history, cardiac or vascular disorder, asthma or another pulmonary disease, major gastrointestinal abnormalities/peptic ulceration, hepatic or hepatobiliary, neurologic, endocrine, hematologic, renal disease, major genitourinary disease. Known hypersensitivity to Aprepitant or its analogs. Smoking more than 10 cigarettes per day and could not tolerate cigarette cessation during each clinical period. Subjects who have used any drug including prescription or Over-The-Counter (OTC) drugs within 14 days prior to the start of the study and might need drug intake during the study period. History of alcohol or drug abuse within 2 years before the start of the study. Heavy drinker of caffeine, grapefruit juice, or caffeinated drinks or who are on a special diet (such as vegetarians) or do exertional physical activity. A history of difficulty with donating blood or donation of more than 500 ml blood within 7 days prior to the start of the study.

Age

From **20 years** old to **45 years** old

Gender

Male

Phase

Bioequivalence

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **26**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

The randomization schedule will be generated with the BEAR statistical software (Release V2.7.7). Each volunteer will be randomly assigned to one of the 2 different sequence of treatments according to the order of entering the study which will be allocated after screening.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Crossover

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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2021-04-27, 1400/02/07

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Health conditions studied

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Description of health condition studied

Bioequivalence investigation of the generic Actover. Aprepitant 125 mg capsule with brand EMEND® Merk capsule.

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

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Description

Peak Plasma Concentration (C_{max})

Timepoint

During 2 months after intervention

Method of measurement

using non-compartmental model of Win-Nonlin Professional software version 3.2.A (Pharsight Corporation, USA)

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

AUC (Area Under the Concentration-Time Curve)

Timepoint

During 2 months after intervention

Method of measurement

using non-compartmental model of Win-Nonlin Professional software version 3.2.A (Pharsight Corporation, USA)

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Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

Intervention group: Aprepitant 125 mg capsule, produced by Merk is the test product. In each period, 12 of 24 subjects will be given single oral dose of this product.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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Grant name**Grant code / Reference number****Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?**

Yes

Title of funding source

ACTover Pharmaceutical Co.

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Private

Domestic or foreign origin

Domestic

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin**Type of organization providing the funding**

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Sharing plan**Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)**

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

It's not specified yet.

Study Protocol

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

No - There is not a plan to make this available