Effect of Bempedoic Acid vs Placebo Added to Maximally Tolerated Statins on Low-density Lipoprotein Cholesterol in Patients at High Risk for Cardiovascular Disease: The CLEAR Wisdom Randomized Clinical Trial

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Parameter	n	Bempedoic Acidª	n	Placebo ^a	LS Mean Difference (95% CI)	<i>P</i> Value
Percent change in triglycerides						
Week 12	499	11.0 (2.3)	253	6.1 (2.3)	4.9 (–1.5, 11.3)	.13
Week 24	486	6.4 (2.1)	247	4.7 (2.2)	1.7 (–4.4, 7.8)	.59
Week 52	467	6.0 (1.9)	237	4.8 (2.5)	1.2 (–5.0, 7.4)	.71
Percent change in HDL-C						
Week 12	499	-6.4 (0.7)	253	-0.2 (0.9)	-6.1 (-8.4, -3.9)	< .001
Week 24	486	-4.7 (0.8)	247	0.5 (0.9)	-5.2 (-7.6, -2.9)	<. 001
Week 52	467	-7.4 (0.8)	237	-3.4 (0.8)	-4.0 (-6.3, -1.7)	< .001

eTable 1. Percent Change From Baseline in Triglycerides and HDL-C

^aData are least-squares means (standard errors). Abbreviation: CI, confidence interval; HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; LS, least-squares.

eTable 2. Low-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol (LDL-C) Percent Change From Baseline to Week 12 by Statin Intensity and Background Lipid-Lowering Therapy, Post hoc Subgroup Analysis

		Bempedoic			LS Mean Difference	
Category	n	Acid ^a	n	Placebo ^a	(95% CI)	P Value
Baseline statin category ^{b,c}						
None	48	-24.6 (3.6)	29	-2.6 (4.4)	-22.0 (-33.4, -10.6)	< .001
Low/moderate intensity	179	-14.9 (1.6)	89	3.2 (2.1)	–18.1 (–23.4, –12.8)	< .001
High intensity	271	–14.4 (1.5)	135	2.8 (2.1)	–17.2 (–22.3, –12.1)	< .001
Baseline background lipid-lowering therapy category ^d						
Statin alone	399	–14.4 (1.1)	192	3.0 (1.6)	–17.4 (–21.2, –13.6)	< .001
Statin with other lipid- lowering therapy	51	–16.1 (4.3)	32	2.1 (4.9)	-18.3 (-31.2, -5.4)	.006
Nonstatin lipid-lowering therapy only	19	-26.0 (3.9)	15	-8.1 (7.6)	–17.9 (–35.7, –0.1)	.05
No lipid-lowering therapy	29	-23.6 (5.5)	14	3.2 (3.7)	-26.8 (-40.2, -13.3)	< .001

^aData are least-squares means (standard errors). ^bStatin intensity classification is based on the 2013 American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association guidelines (Stone NJ, et al. Circulation. 2014;129[25 Suppl 2]:S1-45).

 $^{\circ}P$ value for interaction = .72.

^d*P* value for interaction = .71.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; LS, least-squares.

eTable 3. Post hoc Analysis of the Effect of Study	Site on the Primary Endpoint, Percent
Change From Baseline to Week 12 in Low-Densit	y Lipoprotein Cholesterol (LDL-C)

	Bempedoic Acid vs Placebo		
	LS Mean Difference	Between-group	Site Effect
Analysis	(95% CI)	Comparison <i>P</i> value	<i>P</i> Value
Primary endpoint analysis	-17.4 (-21.0, -13.9)	< .001	—
Post hoc study site analysis ^a	-17.5 (-21.0, -13.9)	< .001	0.28

^aPost hoc analysis using a mixed-effect model with site as a random effect Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; LS, least-squares.

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Parameter	Bempedoic Acid (n = 522)	Placebo (n = 257)	Relative Risk (95% CI)
Patients with any adjudicated clinical endpoint	43 (8.2)	26 (10.1)	0.81 (0.51, 1.29)
Major adverse cardiovascular events (MACE)			
Nonfatal myocardial infarction	6 (1.1)	9 (3.5)	0.33 (0.12, 0.91)
Nonfatal stroke	4 (0.8)	2 (0.8)	0.98 (0.18, 5.34)
Hospitalization for unstable angina	10 (1.9)	4 (1.6)	1.23 (0.39, 3.89)
Coronary revascularization	20 (3.8)	15 (5.8)	0.66 (0.34, 1.26)
Cardiovascular death	4 (0.8)	2 (0.8)	0.98 (0.18, 5.34)
Other adjudicated events			
Noncardiovascular death	2 (0.4)	0	NC
Noncoronary revascularization	6 (1.1)	6 (2.3)	0.49 (0.16, 1.51)
Hospitalization for heart failure	5 (1.0)	2 (0.8)	1.23 (0.24, 6.30)
5-component MACE ^a	32 (6.1)	21 (8.2)	0.75 (0.44, 1.27)
4-component MACE ^b	30 (5.7)	20 (7.8)	0.74 (0.43, 1.27)
3-component MACE [◦]	14 (2.7)	12 (4.7)	0.57 (0.27, 1.22)

eTable 4. Positively Adjudicated Clinical Events

^aIncludes cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, nonfatal stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina, and coronary revascularization.

^bIncludes cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, nonfatal stroke, and coronary revascularization.

^cIncludes cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, and nonfatal stroke.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; NC, not calculated.

Population				
Glycemic Measure	n	Bempedoic Acid	n	Placebo
Patients with diabetes ^a				
Patients with a glucose measurement \geq 126 mg/dL, n (%) ^b	166	116 (69.9)	86	64 (74.4)
Patients with a glucose measurement \leq 50 mg/dL, n (%) ^b	166	3 (1.8)	86	1 (1.2)
Change in mean glucose from baseline to week 12, mg/dL ^c	159	-0.3 (30.2)	84	6.7 (34.1)
Patients with an HbA1c measurement ≥ 6.5%, n (%) ^ь	166	105 (63.3)	86	59 (68.6)
Change in mean HbA1c from baseline to week 12, $\%^{\circ}$	159	-0.08 (0.50)	84	0.12 (0.76)
Patients with impaired fasting glucose ^d				
Patients with a glucose measurement ≥ 126 mg/dL, n (%) ^b	235	25 (10.6)	107	14 (13.1)
Patients with a glucose measurement \leq 50 mg/dL, n (%) ^b	235	0	107	0
Change in mean glucose from baseline to week 12, mg/dL ^c	227	0.6 (9.4)	105	2.3 (11.6)
Patients with an HbA1c measurement ≥ 6.5%, n (%) ^ь	235	13 (5.5)	107	7 (6.5)
Change in mean HbA1c from baseline to week 12, $\%^{\circ}$	225	-0.07 (0.21)	105	-0.04 (0.23)
Patients without diabetes or impaired fasting glucose				
Patients with a glucose measurement ≥ 126 mg/dL, n (%) ^ь	121	2 (1.7)	64	4 (6.3)
Patients with a glucose measurement \leq 50 mg/dL, n (%) ^b	121	0	64	0
Change in mean glucose from baseline to week 12, mg/dL ^c	112	1.4 (8.6)	64	3.2 (14.3)
Patients with an HbA1c measurement ≥ 6.5%, n (%) ^ь	121	0	64	0
Change in mean HbA1c from baseline to week 12, $\%^\circ$	111	0.03 (0.22)	64	0.05 (0.18)

eTable 5. Measures of On-Treatment Glucose	Control b	y Baseline Gl	vcemic Status
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^aIncludes patients with a medical history of type 1 or type 2 diabetes or who had laboratory values consistent with diabetes (ie, baseline HbA1c \geq 6.5% or 2 measurements of fasting plasma glucose \geq 126 mg/dL between screening and randomization).

^bIncludes events that occurred at any point throughout the 52-week treatment period.

^cData are means (standard deviations).

^dIncludes patients with impaired fasting glucose in their medical history or who had laboratory values consistent with impaired fasting glucose (ie, baseline HbA1c of 5.7% to 6.5% or 2 measurements of fasting plasma glucose \geq 100 mg/dL but not more than 1 measurement \geq 126 mg/dL between screening and randomization). Abbreviation: HbA1c, hemoglobin A1c.

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eFigure 1. Low-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol (LDL-C) Percent Change From Baseline to Week 12 by Patient Subgroup. ^aStatin intensity as classified by the investigator prior to randomization. Abbreviations: ASCVD, atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease; BMI, body mass index; CI, confidence interval; CVD, cardiovascular disease; HeFH, heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia; LS, least squares.

			Patients, n		
CVD Risk Ca	ategory		Bempedoic Acid	; Placebo	P value for Interaction
HeFH v ASCV	with or without ASCVD D only (without HeFH)		17 474	13 237	.27
Baseline Sta	tin Intensity^a Low/Moderate High		225 273	118 135	.51
Baseline LD	L-C <130 mg/dL ≥130 and <160 mg/dL ≥160 mg/dL		350 84 64	169 45 39	.31
History of Di	i abetes Yes No		148 350	79 174	.76
Age	<65 years ≥65 - <75 years ≥75 years		251 194 53	114 112 27	.82
Race	White Non-white	⊢●	470 28	240 13	.52
Sex	Male Female		314 184	166 87	.61
BMI	<25 kg/m ² 25 - <30 kg/m ² ≥30 kg/m ²		91 175 232	27 101 125	.02
Region	North America European Union -4	5 -35 -25 -15 -5	145 353 5	72 181	.45
		Favors Bempedoic Acid			

Difference in LS Means (95% CI)