A randomised, double-blind, crossover comparison of the efficacy and safety of study drug 017 and placebo in patients with neuropathic pain due to diabetic neuropathy (DN) or post-herpetic neuralgia (PHN)

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
25/03/2008	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
04/07/2008	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
04/07/2008	Nervous System Diseases	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number

017-010

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Study drug 017 will be superior to placebo in the treatment of chronic neuropathic pain due to diabetic neuropathy (DN) or post-herpetic neuralgia (PHN).

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval for the lead centre was received from Institutional Review Board (IRB) Services, Aurora, ON (Canada) on 11 January 2008. All other participating centres obtained ethics approval before recruiting study participants.

Study design

Multi-centred, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled crossover trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Neuropathic pain

Interventions

Centrally-acting oral opioid anlagesic (017) titrated to effect over a 4-week phase with matched placebo arm.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Study drug 017 (a centrally acting opioid analgesic)

Primary outcome(s)

Pain intensity measured during the last week of treatment in each phase.

Key secondary outcome(s))

All assessments measured during the last week of treatment in each phase:

- 1. Neuropathic Pain Scale
- 2. Pain and sleep
- 3. Pain and disability

- 4. Quality of life
- 5. Depression inventory

Completion date

31/12/2009

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

For diabetic neuropathy patients:

- 1. Stable glycaemic control
- 2. Patients with pain in the lower extremities on a daily basis and one or more signs or symptoms of peripheral neuropathy not attributable to any other cause
- 3. Patients with absent or decreased ankle reflexes and loss of perception of 128 Hz vibration of the great toe

For post-herpetic neuralgia patients:

1. Primary diagnosis of PHN defined by pain for at least three months after healing of a herpes zoster skin rash

For all patients:

- 1. Male or non-pregnant females at least 18 years of age
- 2. Patients who answer yes to at least four items on the the neuropathic pain diagnostic questionnaire (DN4)
- 3. Patients whose pain has been of moderate intensity on most days for at least three months
- 4. Patients who have required the use of analgesic medication for at least three months

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Patients who do not have stable glycaemic control (HbA1c greater than 2 x normal) or whose anti-diabetic therapy is likely to require adjustment during the study
- 2. Patients with peripheral neuropathy attributable to other causes
- 3. Significant pain of other origin that may obscure the assessment of efficacy
- 4. Patients whose opioid requirement may exceed eight tablets of acetaminophen plus codeine (300/30 mg) or analgesic equivalent per day
- 5. Patients with true allergy to acetaminophen or any opioid, sufficient that therapy is

contraindicated

- 6. Patients with any of the following medical conditions:
- 6.1. Active, severe psychiatric disorder, including severe depression
- 6.2. Postural hypotension
- 6.3. Clinically significant hepatic dysfunction (aspartate aminotransferase [AST], alanine aminotransferase [ALT], alkaline phosphatase [Alk Phos] greater than 2 x normal)
- 6.4. Symptomatic coronary artery peripheral vascular disease
- 6.5. Intermittent claudication
- 6.6. Brittle diabetes
- 6.7. Low serum cobalamin (vitamin B12)
- 6.8. Abnormal serum folic acid levels
- 6.9. Colostomy, ileostomy or shortened gastrointestinal (GI) transit time
- 6.10. Active or recent peptic ulcer or gastrointestinal (GI) inflammatory disease
- 6.11. Epilepsy, history of seizures or recognised risk for seizure
- 6.12. Any condition that may adversely affect patient safety or obscure assessment of efficacy
- 7. Patients receiving any of the following medications:
- 7.1. Monoamine oxidase inhibitors
- 7.2. Carbamazepine
- 7.3. Quinidine
- 7.4. Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors
- 7.5. Serotonin norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors
- 7.6. Neuroleptics
- 7.7. Warfarin
- 7.8. Digoxin
- 8. Patients who have received an investigational drug within the previous month
- 9. Patients with a known or suspected history of drug or alcohol abuse

Date of first enrolment

21/01/2008

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2009

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Canada

Study participating centre

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Purdue Pharma Canada

ROR

https://ror.org/023sxys58

Funder(s)

Funder type

Industry

Funder Name

Purdue Pharma Canada

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

Study outputs

Output type Details Date created Date added Peer reviewed? Patient-facing?

Participant information sheet Participant information sheet 11/11/2025 No Yes