

Four New Sets of Pre-Clinical Data Further Expands the Evidence Supporting Abelaclimab



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Additional Pharmacodynamic Data on Abelaclimab Released at the 2022 Congress of the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH)

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., July 13, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- Anthos Therapeutics, a clinical-stage biotechnology company developing innovative therapies for cardiovascular and metabolic diseases, announced that four new research updates were presented on abelaclimab during the Venous Thromboembolism poster session at the ongoing International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis 2022 Congress in London, UK.

"Coagulation is a complex multilayered process and the potential benefits of inhibiting Factor XI are becoming increasingly clear. These preclinical studies add important information characterizing the pharmacodynamic effects of abelaclimab and further extend our understanding of the biological effects of Factor XI inhibition," said Dan Bloomfield, Chief Medical Officer at Anthos Therapeutics. "With a growing body of evidence from ongoing studies both in the clinic and the lab, and a recent FDA Fast Track designation granted for abelaclimab

in thrombosis associated with cancer, we are becoming increasingly confident about the potential of our novel dual-acting Factor XI/XIa inhibitor may offer in the future as a treatment advance."

The details of each poster presentation are provided below:

PB0927 - Abелacimab does not influence the effects of two commonly used antiplatelet agents in vitro

This study investigated the effects of clinically relevant doses of abелacimab on the inhibition of platelet aggregation by commonly used antiplatelet agents, aspirin and ticagrelor, in vitro. It demonstrated that abелacimab did not affect the level of antiplatelet inhibition achieved either by aspirin or ticagrelor confirming that abелacimab will not interfere with the benefits of these antiplatelet agents.

PB0925 - Abелacimab has no effect on platelet aggregation induced by TRAP-6 and collagen

FXI has been identified as a ligand to platelet receptors ApoER2 and GPIIb α on the surface of stimulated platelets. This study demonstrated that abелacimab did not interfere with normal platelet aggregation following stimulation with collagen or thrombin receptor activating peptide-6 (TRAP-6) and compared with vehicle and active control (abciximab, anti-GP2b3a) suggesting that the binding of FXI to the platelet surface has no effect on primary hemostasis.

PB0548 - Abелacimab, a Factor XI/XIa Antibody Inhibits Clotting in Hemodialysis Circuits Ex Vivo

This study compared the effect of a combination of abелacimab and enoxaparin with enoxaparin alone, in an ex vivo model of hemodialysis that is aggressive due to the frequent re-circulation of blood and a lack of endothelial cells. Inhibition of FXI/FXIa by abелacimab combined with enoxaparin (but not enoxaparin alone) reduced and prevented device malfunction. This provides support for testing abелacimab in patients on hemodialysis.

PB0926 - Low concentrations of rFVIIa bypass changes in ROTEM coagulation parameters induced by abелacimab in vitro.

While patients with severe factor XI (FXI) deficiency rarely have spontaneous bleeding, low doses of recombinant activated factor VII (rFVIIa) have been used and are effective in managing bleeding should it occur. This study was designed to evaluate whether low concentrations of 

rFVIIa could revert the changes in abelacimab-induced coagulation parameters as measured by rotational thromboelastometry (ROTEM) in whole blood in vitro assays from healthy individuals. As expected and similar to what has been observed in patients with Factor XI deficiency, these data suggest that low doses of rFVIIa can be used to manage bleeding in Factor XI inhibited patients being treated with abelacimab.

About Anthos Therapeutics

Anthos Therapeutics is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of genetically and pharmacologically validated innovative therapies to advance care for people living with cardiovascular and metabolic (CVM) diseases. Anthos Therapeutics aims to combine the agility of a biotech with the rigor of a large pharmaceutical company. Anthos Therapeutics was launched by Blackstone Life Sciences in 2019.

For more information visit the website at <https://www.anthostherapeutics.com/>, Twitter at https://twitter.com/Anthos_Tx, and LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/anthos-therapeutics/>.

About Abelacimab

Abelacimab is a novel, highly selective, fully human monoclonal antibody designed to induce effective hemostasis-sparing anticoagulation through Factor XI inhibition. Abelacimab targets the active domain of Factor XI, demonstrating dual inhibitory activity against both Factor XI and its activated form, Factor XIa. Abelacimab can be administered intravenously (IV) to achieve rapid inhibition of Factor XI activity and then used subcutaneously (SC) monthly to maintain nearly complete inhibition in a chronic setting. In a PK/PD study, abelacimab administered IV provided profound suppression of Factor XI within one hour after the start of therapy and maintained near maximal inhibition for up to 30 days.^{1,2} In a Phase 2 study whose results were published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* in 2021, a single intravenous dose of abelacimab after knee surgery reduced the rate of venous thromboembolism by 80%, measured 10 days after surgery, compared to enoxaparin.¹ Factor XI inhibition offers the promise of hemostasis-sparing anticoagulation for the prevention and treatment of arterial and venous thromboembolic events.³ Abelacimab is an investigational agent and has not been approved for any indication.

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