Approaches to TB Drug Development (Past, Present, and Future)

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Approaches to TB Drug Development

Past, Present, and Future

- Ensure explicit clarity on problem being attacked
- Provide practical, cost effective, implementable solution for the identified problem
 - getting a drug approved is necessary, but not sufficient
 - solution does not have to be optimized, but it does have to provide a <u>net</u> compelling benefit to the patient, payer, and health care system
 - would substituting a drug in first line therapy, but not shortening duration, increasing cure, or decreasing side effects provide a net benefit?
 - does adding an additional drug to poor second line regimens to obtain higher sputum conversion rates provide a net benefit?



TB Alliance – Approaches to TB Drug Development

Present

- Unified Pathway moving forward
- Unified Pathway moving backwards



Unified Drug Sensitive/Drug Resistant Regimen Development Path







Nix-TB Phase 3 Trial in XDR-TB

Patients with XDR-TB or who have failed or are intolerant to MDR-TB Treatment



**Amended from 600 mg bid strategy

Major Obstacles to New Approaches

- Lack of "instantaneous" readout of response (degree of TB organisms killed)
 - Severely limits implementation of adaptive designs
- Lack of a predictive quantitative relationship between "Phase 2 readout" (organisms killed) and "Phase 3 readout" (cure)
 - Unclear how to translate culture conversion into duration of therapy for effecting cure
 - Preclinical models, however, are predictive for rank order



Scheme for Mouse Relapse Experiments



Mouse Relapse Data

	M1.5 (+3)	M2 (+3)	M3 (+3)	M4 (+3)	M5 (+3)
RHZ				10/15	2/15
Pa ₅₀ MZ				6/14	0/14
PaMZ			10/14	3/15	
BPaM			2/15	0/14	
BPaZ	13/14	0/15	0/15		
BPaMZ	3/15	0/15	0/15		

Rank order: BPaMZ > BPaZ > BPaM > PaMZ > RHZ



Future Approaches to TB Drug Development

Without new technological advances

- Large simplified clinical trials
- Multiple arm Phase 3 studies with "large" non-inferiority margins
 - Examine multiple durations of therapy within single trial



Thank You!



