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1 Introduction

MATIK is a newly discovered, highly contagious viral skin disease that causes serious skin rash and infections in patients, and could even be life threatening.

Several scientific labs and drug companies are actively engaged in developing drugs to battle the emerging epidemic. From all the biological and animal studies, three medications, one oral Pill and two skin gels, appeared to be promising. We denote the three medications by Pill A, Gel B and Gel C. Phase I trials have already been conducted to determine their maximum tolerated doses among patients.

Due to urgent need, researchers/clinicians decide to conduct a phase II trial to evaluate the safety and adherence of all the three medications simultaneously.

Based on the information collected from the Phase I trials, and earlier cell line and animal studies. The following doses shown in Table 1 will be used in the trial.

Table 1: Recommended doses/administration schedule

Treatment	Description
Pill A	200 mg, once a day for 4 weeks
Gel B	1% gel concentration; three times a day on affected areas, daily use for 4 weeks
Gel C	2% gel concentration; once a day on affected areas, daily use for 4 weeks

2 Method

2.1 Study Design

2.1.1 Patient population and recruitment

Approximately 180 MATIK patients will be recruited from a variety of health care facilities, including hospitals, primary care clinics, and community-based health services. Recruitment materials will be approved by site Institutional Review Boards/Ethics Committees (IRBs/ECs). Accrual is expected to be completed in approximately 6-9 months per site.

2.1.2 Study Regimen

Study participants will be randomized to one of six regimen sequences (Sequence 1-6, see Table 2). Each sequence will consist of three 4 week periods of study product administration followed by at least a one-week washout period. The duration of product administration including the two washout periods is approximately 15 weeks. Participants will receive study product at the recommended dose, and be administered in the order designated by their randomized sequence (1-6).

Table 2: Study Regimen

Sequence	Period 1	period 2	Period 3
1	Pill A	Gel B	Gel C
2	Gel C	Pill A	Gel B
3	Gel B	Gel C	Pill A
4	Gel B	Pill A	Gel C
5	Pill A	Gel C	Gel B
6	Gel C	Gel B	Pill A

2.2 Study Objectives and Endpoints

2.2.1 Primary Objectives

Since MATIK is a chronic condition, patients will rely on long-term medications to control their viral loads. The primary objective of this trial is to compare the safety and adherence profiles of Pill A, Gel B, and Gel C, i.e. 1) whether the medications are safe for patients, 2) and whether patients could easily adhere to medication schedules so that long term use is feasible.

2.2.2 Secondary Objectives

The secondary objective of the trial is to have preliminary assessment and comparison of systemic and local Pharmacokinetics (PK) of Pill A, Gel B, and Gel C. Additionally, the investigators are interested to: 1) assess the correlation of PK with adherence measures and the occurrence of adverse events and 2) identify demographic factors associated with product adherence and whether they differ by product used (Pill or gel) or regimen (three times a day or once a day).

2.3 Endpoints and their collection schedules

2.3.1 Primary Endpoints

During each week of the 4-week trial periods, participants were followed up every week to record the following measures: 1) Safety: The number of grade 2 or higher adverse events occurred during that week. 2) Adherence: The number of days (out of 7 days) that patients are able to take pills or apply gels as prescribed.

2.3.2 Secondary Endpoints

Pharmacokinetics: The viral loads in the blood plasma and affected skin tissues were measured at the beginning and at the end of each period.

2.3.3 Demographics

Demographic data including age, gender and race of the recruited patients were collected at baseline.

2.4 Statistical Analyses

2.4.1 Primary Analysis

2.4.1.1 Analysis on Safety of Treatments In this trial, patients were assigned to different sequences (see Table 2) of treatment regimens to examine the comparative safety and adherence profiles of the medications for long-term management of MATIK. To investigate the potential for carry-over effects, where the sequence of administered treatments could influence subsequent outcomes, we built the following logistic regression model to analysis the ca.

$$\text{logit}(\Pr(Y_{ij} = 1 \mid \mathbf{X}_{ij}, b_{i0})) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \text{Period}_{ij} + \beta_2 \mathbf{I}(\text{Sequence } 2_{ij} = 1) + \beta_3 \mathbf{I}(\text{Sequence } 2_{ij} = 2) + b_{0i},$$

where Y_{ij} is the

2.4.1.2 Analysis on Adherence of Treatments

3 Result

4 Discussion

Appendix

A.2 Code for This Report

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knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = FALSE, message = F, warning = F)
options(knitr.kable.NA = '')
library(tidyverse)
library(lme4)
library(nlme)
library(lattice)
library(gtsummary)
library(DHARMA)
library(knitr)
library(kableExtra)
library(webshot)

write_matex <- function(x) {
  begin <- "$$\begin{bmatrix}"
  end <- "\\end{bmatrix}$$"
  X <-
    apply(x, 1, function(x) {
      paste(
        paste(x, collapse = "&"),
        "\\\\"
      )
    })
  writeLines(c(begin, X, end))
}

theme_set(
  theme_bw() +
  theme(
    plot.title = element_text(size = 16, hjust = 0.5),
    axis.title.x = element_text(size = 12),
    axis.title.y = element_text(size = 12),
    axis.text = element_text(size = 10),
    axis.line = element_line(color = "black", size = 0.5),
  )
)
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baseline.dat <- read.csv("baseline.csv")
endpoints.dat <- read.csv("endpoints.csv")
endpoints.AE <-
  endpoints.dat %>%
  select(ptid, AE_pillA_week1:AE_gelC_week4) %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = starts_with("AE_"),
    names_to = c("drug", "week"),
    names_pattern = "AE_(.*)_(week\\d+)",
    values_to = "AE"
  ) %>%
  mutate(drug = case_when(
    str_detect(drug, "pillA") ~ "Pill A",
    str_detect(drug, "gelB") ~ "Gel B",
    str_detect(drug, "gelC") ~ "Gel C"
  ),
  week = parse_number(week))

endpoints.Adhere <-
  endpoints.dat %>%
  select(ptid, Adhere_pillA_week1:Adhere_gelC_week4) %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = starts_with("Adhere_"),
    names_to = c("drug", "week"),
    names_pattern = "Adhere_(.*)_(week\\d+)",
    values_to = "Adhere"
  ) %>%
  mutate(drug = case_when(
    str_detect(drug, "pillA") ~ "Pill A",
    str_detect(drug, "gelB") ~ "Gel B",
    str_detect(drug, "gelC") ~ "Gel C"
  ),
  week = parse_number(week)) %>%
  mutate(drug = factor(drug, levels = c("Pill A", "Gel B", "Gel C")))

endpoints.period <-

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endpoints.dat %>%
select(ptid, period1:period3) %>%
mutate(sequence = case_when(
  period1 == "Pill A" & period2 == "Gel B" & period3 == "Gel C" ~ "ABC",
  period1 == "Pill A" & period2 == "Gel C" & period3 == "Gel B" ~ "ACB",
  period1 == "Gel B" & period2 == "Gel C" & period3 == "Pill A" ~ "BCA",
  period1 == "Gel B" & period2 == "Pill A" & period3 == "Gel C" ~ "BAC",
  period1 == "Gel C" & period2 == "Pill A" & period3 == "Gel B" ~ "CAB",
  period1 == "Gel C" & period2 == "Gel B" & period3 == "Pill A" ~ "CBA",
  TRUE ~ "Other" # This is the default case
)) %>%
mutate(
  seq1 = case_when(
    sequence == "ABC" ~ 1,
    sequence == "CAB" ~ 2,
    sequence == "BCA" ~ 3,
    sequence == "BAC" ~ 4,
    sequence == "ACB" ~ 5,
    sequence == "CBA" ~ 6,
  ),
  seq2 = case_when(
    sequence == "ABC" | sequence == "BAC" ~ 0,
    sequence == "CAB" | sequence == "ACB" ~ 1,
    sequence == "BCA" | sequence == "CBA" ~ 2
  )
) %>%
pivot_longer(
  cols = starts_with("period"),
  names_prefix = "period",
  names_to = "period",
  values_to = "drug"
) %>%
mutate(period = as.numeric(period)) %>%
mutate(drug = factor(drug, levels = c("Pill A", "Gel B", "Gel C"))) %>%
mutate(seq2 = factor(seq2, levels = c(0,1,2), labels = c("AB", "AC", "BC")))

endpoints.lag <-

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endpoints.period %>%
select(ptid, period, drug) %>%
group_by(ptid) %>%
mutate(drug_lag = lag(as.character(drug))) %>%
ungroup() %>%
replace_na(list(drug_lag = "None")) %>%
mutate(
  A_lag = ifelse(drug_lag == "Pill A", 1, 0),
  B_lag = ifelse(drug_lag == "Gel B", 1, 0),
  C_lag = ifelse(drug_lag == "Gel C", 1, 0)
)%>%
mutate(drug = factor(drug, levels = c("Pill A", "Gel B", "Gel C")))

endpoints.period <- left_join(endpoints.period, endpoints.lag)

endpoints.AE <- left_join(endpoints.AE, endpoints.period)

endpoints.Adhere <- left_join(endpoints.Adhere, endpoints.period)
endpoints.AE.weeksum <-
  endpoints.AE %>%
  select(-week) %>%
  group_by(ptid, drug, period) %>%
  mutate(AE_sum = sum(AE)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(AE_ind = as.factor(ifelse(AE_sum > 0, 1, 0))) %>%
  select(-AE) %>%
  distinct() %>%
  mutate(drug = factor(drug, levels = c("Pill A", "Gel B", "Gel C")))

endpoints.Adhere <-
  endpoints.Adhere %>%
  mutate(total_week = period*week,
         nonAdhere = 7-Adhere)
# 0- baseline; 1- 1st treatment; 2- 1st wash out; 3- 2nd treatment;
# 4- 2nd wash out; 5- third treatment; 6- third wash out
endpoints.PK <-

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baseline.dat %>%
select(ptid, bviral0:sviral6) %>%
mutate(
  dbvial1 = -bviral1 - bviral0,
  dsvial1 = -sviral1 - sviral0,
  dbvial2 = -bviral3 - bviral2,
  dsvial2 = -sviral3 - sviral2,
  dbvial3 = -bviral5 - bviral4,
  dsvial3 = -sviral5 - sviral4
) %>%
pivot_longer(
  cols = starts_with("d"),
  names_to = c("measure", "period"),
  names_pattern = "d(.*vial)(\\d+)",
  values_to = "dvalue"
) %>%
select(ptid, measure, period, dvalue) %>%
mutate(period = as.numeric(period),
  dvalue = -dvalue)

endpoints.Adhere.sum <-
endpoints.Adhere %>%
select(ptid, period, week, Adhere) %>%
group_by(ptid, period) %>%
summarize(Adhere_sum = sum(Adhere)) %>%
mutate(Adhere_rate = Adhere_sum/28)

endpoints.PK <- left_join(endpoints.PK, endpoints.Adhere.sum)
endpoints.PK <-
  left_join(endpoints.PK, endpoints.AE.weeksum) %>%
  mutate(drug = factor(drug, levels = c("Pill A", "Gel B", "Gel C"))) %>%
  mutate(measure = factor(measure, labels = c("Skin", "Blood"), levels = c("svial", "bvial"))) %>%
  mutate(AE_ind = factor(ifelse(AE_ind == 1, "Yes", "No")))

#endpoints.PK.bvial <- endpoints.PK %>% filter(measure == "bvial")

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#endpoints.PK.svial <- endpoints.PK %>% filter(measure == "svial")
Adhere.demo <-
  baseline.dat %>%
  select(ptid, age, gender, race) %>%
  mutate(
    gender = factor(gender, labels = c("male", "female"), levels = c(0,1)),
    race = factor(race, levels = c("white", "black", "others"))
  )

endpoints.Adhere.total <-
  endpoints.Adhere.sum %>%
  select(ptid, Adhere_sum) %>%
  group_by(ptid) %>%
  summarize(Adhere_total = sum(Adhere_sum))

Adhere.demo <- left_join(Adhere.demo, endpoints.Adhere.total) %>%
  mutate(non_Adhere_total = 84 - Adhere_total)
# Create a data frame with the table information
table_trt <- data.frame(
  Treatment = c("Pill A", "Gel B", "Gel C"),
  Description = c("200 mg, once a day for 4 weeks",
    "1% gel concentration; three times a day on affected areas, daily use for 4 weeks",
    "2% gel concentration; once a day on affected areas, daily use for 4 weeks")
)

# Generate the table with kable and style it with kableExtra
kable(table_trt, "latex", booktabs = TRUE, caption = "Recommended doses/administration schedule") %>%
  kable_styling(position = "center", latex_options = "hold_position") %>%
  column_spec(1, bold = TRUE)
study_regimen <- data.frame(
  Sequence = 1:6,
  `Period 1` = c("Pill A", "Gel C", "Gel B", "Gel B", "Pill A", "Gel C"),
  `Period 2` = c("Gel B", "Pill A", "Gel C", "Pill A", "Gel C", "Gel B"),
  `Period 3` = c("Gel C", "Gel B", "Pill A", "Gel C", "Gel B", "Pill A")
)

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# Generate the table with kable and kableExtra  
kable(study_regimen, "latex", booktabs = TRUE, col.names = c("Sequence", "Period 1", "period 2", "Period 3"),  
      kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_position"), full_width = FALSE, position = "center")
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