P1026s: Pharmacokinetic Properties of Antiretroviral Therapy and Related Drugs during Pregnancy: Second-line TB treatment arm

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Drug-resistant tuberculosis (DR-TB) treatment

- Multidrug regimens, toxic, intolerable, expensive, long (20 months)
- At least 5 effective drugs
 - kanamycin, moxifloxacin (or levofloxacin), terizidone (or cycloserine), ethionamide (or prothionamide), hd-isoniazid, PAS
 - (pyrazinamide, ethambutol)
- PREGNANCY: kanamycin and ethionamide usually avoided, but rarely substituted (limited options, safety) – implications
 - Poor maternal treatment outcome lower chance of treatment success; risk of acquisition of SLD resistance
 - Increased risk of transmission to newborn

Existing PK data for second-line TB drugs in pregnancy

- Two studies showed low peak serum concentrations for MFX and OFX, but..
- ... another reported peak serum concentrations comparable to nonpregnant adult target levels for MFX and LFX in C-sectioned women
- One PK study in 1977 reported low peak serum concentrations following a single dose of IM amikacin in 11 pregnant women
- One case report in 2017 of a woman with MDR-TB found a decreased exposure of linezolid (at 300mg twice daily) and moxifloxacin (at 400mg once daily) during pregnancy compared with post-partum measurements, but with a trend towards increased exposure of both drugs from the second to the third trimesters of pregnancy.

IMPAACT P1026s

- Title: PHARMACOKINETIC PROPERTIES OF ANTIRETROVIRAL AND RELATED DRUGS DURING PREGNANCY AND POSTPARTUM
- Current version: **10.0**
- **Design:** Phase IV, prospective pharmacokinetic (PK) study
- **Objective:** To assess bioavailability of ART and TB drugs in T2, T3 and post-partum
- **Populations:** Pregnant and postpartum women receiving the following medicines as part of clinical care, and their infants

• Study Arms:

- ARVs (without TB treatment) darunavir, dolutegravir, TAF, cobicistat, elvitegravir
- First line TB treatment with ARVs EFV and lopinavir/ritonavir
- First line TB treatment without ARVs
- Second-line TB treatment +/- ARVs
- ARVs (darunavir, atazanavir, cobicistat, efavirenz, tenofovir) with post-partum contraceptives (implants and combined oral)

Design of second-line TB arm

- Inclusion: >20 weeks pregnant, stable on any second-line TB drugs, with or without ART, for >2 weeks
- Enrollment target: 25 women with evaluable 3rd trimester PK data
- Enrollment after 20 weeks then 5 study visits per patient:
 - 20-26 week PK
 - 30-38 week PK
 - (Labour and delivery maternal plasma and cord blood *if possible*)
 - 2-8 week post partum PK
 - 16-24 week post partum, baby only (exit visit)
- Washout bloods in infant (only if mother HIV co-infected and on ART)
- Clinical care and all drugs provided by routine care providers

Status update

Arm	Number Enrolled	Target Accrual
Antepartum/HIV-infected Arms		
TAF 25 mg qd with COBI or ritonavir	15	25
ATZ/COBI	5	25
Antepartum TB Arms		
First line TB drugs with EFV	20	25
First line TB drugs with LPV/r	1	25
TB Only	14	25
Second Line TB drugs (HIV-infected and uninfected)	4*	25
Postpartum Contraception Arms		
DRV/COBI or ATZ/COBI + oral contraceptives	1	25
DRV/COBI or ATZ/COBI + etonogestrel	2	25

* Two more consented, awaiting first PK session

Changing practice and way forward

- Recommendations for treatment of DR-TB in pregnancy
 - Updated WHO guidance for better treatment of DR-TB in adults and children
 - 'new' and repurposed drugs, and shorter regimens (9-12 months)
 - *no evidence for use in pregnancy – excluded from trials*
 - WHO guidance vs common practice (currently changing in South Africa)
 - Increasing access to clofazimine, linezolid, bedaquiline, delamanid
- New P2026s protocol
 - Focus on 'new' and repurposed drugs CFZ, LZD, BDQ, DLM (and FQs)
 - BDQ long half life, concern regarding high levels in maternal milk in rats
 - Inclusion of breastmilk PK analysis, particularly BDQ