

Review of the Patient Burden and Therapeutic Landscape of Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Constipation in the United States [Corrigendum]

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The authors have advised that they have identified errors in the reporting of the analysis of one of their previous studies, T3MPO-1, which did not adhere to the pre-specified Statistical Analysis Plan. As a result, secondary endpoints, in the “Tenapanor” section on page 246, should not be considered statistically significant due to the hierarchical testing procedure and edits are needed to Table 4 on page 242 of the published paper.

Page 242, Table 4, Table caption, the text “Table 4 Key Efficacy Results from Pivotal Trials of FDA-Approved Treatments for IBS-C” should read “Table 4 Results from Pivotal Trials for FDA-Approved Treatments for IBS-C”.

Page 244, Table 4, Outcomes column, the order of the two bullet points for “6/12-wk CSBM response rate” and “6/12-wk AP response rate” should be switched to align with the protocol-prespecified sequential testing procedure; a superscript “j” has been added to *p*-values $p=0.008$, $p<0.001$, $p=0.014$, $p=0.02$ and $p<0.001$ to clarify that these *p*-values were not obtained from formal statistical testing and thus should be considered exploratory; a superscript “k” has been added after the text “Change from baseline or % responders at week 12” and “Change from baseline or % responders at week 26” to indicate observed data; the text “CSBM/wk: 2.2 vs 1.2” should read “CSBM/wk: 2.1 vs 1.2”.

The correct Table 4 is as follows.

Table 4 Results from Pivotal Trials for FDA-Approved Treatments for IBS-C

Study	Patient Population	Treatment	Demographics	Outcomes
<i>Lubiprostone</i>				
Drossman et al. ⁹¹ 12-wk, phase 3, r, db, m studies 1 (N=590) and 2 (N=581)	Pts with IBS-C (Rome II criteria); aged ≥18 y; <3 SBMs/wk ≥5% of the time; ≥25% of SBMs with straining of at least moderate severity; ≥25% of SBMs hard or very hard stool consistency	Study 1 and 2 combined LUBI 8 µg bid (N=769) vs PL (N=385)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (range), years: LUBI: 46.1 (19.0, 83.0); PL: 47.7 (18.0, 85.0) ● Female, n (%): LUBI: 698 (90.8); PL: 359 (93.2) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: LUBI: 595 (77.4); PL: 298 (77.4) ○ Black/AA: LUBI: 102 (13.3); PL: 50 (13.0) ○ Other: LUBI: 72 (9.4); PL: 37 (9.6) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rigorous responder rate^a (primary end point): 17.9% vs 10.1%; $p=0.001$ ● Significant ($p\leq 0.05$) mean improvements in AD/AP at months 2 and 3, and straining, constipation severity, and stool consistency at months 1, 2, and 3 ● Significant mean improvements ($p\leq 0.05$) in AB at month 2 and bowel movement frequency at month 1

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Study	Patient Population	Treatment	Demographics	Outcomes
<i>Linacotide</i>				
Chey et al. ⁹² 26-wk, phase 3, r, db, m (N=804)	Pts with IBS-C (Rome II criteria); aged ≥ 18 y; average score of ≥ 3 for worst daily AP, average of < 3 CSBMs/wk and ≤ 5 SBMs/wk	LINA 290 μg qd (N=401) vs PL (N=403)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (range), years: LINA: 44.6 (19, 82); PL: 44.0 (18, 87) ● Female, n (%): LINA: 368 (91.8); PL: 352 (87.3) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: LINA: 316 (78.8); PL: 311 (77.2) ○ Black: LINA: 70 (17.5); PL: 78 (19.4) ○ Other: LINA: 15 (3.7); PL: 14 (3.5) 	4 coprimary end points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6/12-wk FDA combined response^b rate: 33.7% vs 13.9%; $p < 0.0001$ ● 9/12-wk AP response rate^c: 38.9% vs 19.6%; $p < 0.0001$ ● 9/12-wk CSBM response rate^c: 18.0% vs 5.0%; $p < 0.0001$ ● 9/12-wk combined response: 12.7% vs 3.0% Changes from baseline and % responders ^d at weeks 12 and 26: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Worst AP: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.1; -2.1 vs -1.2; both $p < 0.0001$ ● AP responders^d: 48.9% vs 34.5%; 49.1% vs 31.3%; both $p < 0.0001$ ● AB: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.0; -2.2 vs -1.2; both $p < 0.0001$ ● AB responders^d: 42.9% vs 23.8%; 42.4% vs 25.1%; both $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM/wk: LS mean 2.2 vs 0.7; 2.2 vs 0.7; both $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM responders^d: 47.6% vs 2.6%; 43.6% vs 18.6%; both $p < 0.0001$
Rao et al. ⁹³ 16-wk, phase 3, r, db, m (N=800)		LINA 290 μg qd (N=405) vs PL (N=395)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (range), years: LINA: 43.3 (19, 81); PL: 43.7 (18, 84) ● Female, n (%): LINA: 367 (90.6); PL: 357 (90.4) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: LINA: 314 (77.5); PL: 301 (76.2) ○ Black: LINA: 78 (19.3); PL: 75 (19.0) ○ Other: LINA: 13 (3.2); PL: 19 (4.8) 	4 Coprimary end points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6/12-wk FDA combined response^b: 33.6% vs 21.0%; $p < 0.0001$ ● 9/12-wk AP response rate^c: 34.3% vs 27.1%; $p = 0.027$ ● 9/12-wk CSBM response rate^c: 19.5% vs 6.3%; $p < 0.0001$ ● 9/12-wk combined response rate^c: 2.1% vs 5%; $p = 0.0004$ Change from baseline and % responders ^d at week 12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Worst AP: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.1; $p < 0.0001$ ● AP responders^d: 50.1% vs 37.5%; $p = 0.0003$ ● AB: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.1; $p < 0.0001$ ● AB responders^d: 43.5% vs 29.9%; $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM/wk: LS mean 2.3 vs 0.7; $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM responders^d: 48.6% vs 29.6%; $p < 0.0001$
Chang et al. ⁹⁴ 16-wk, phase 3b, r, db, m (N=614)	Pts with IBS-C (Rome III criteria); aged ≥ 18 y; < 3 SBMs/wk for ≥ 12 wk; average worst AP of ≥ 3 , ≤ 6 CSBMs/wk, and ≤ 10 SBMs in the 2 wk prerandomization	LINA 290 μg qd (N=306) vs PL (N=308) ($\approx 22\%$ had prior LINA or PLEC therapy)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (range), years: LINA: 46.5 (19, 85); PL: 46.8 (18, 79) ● Female, n (%): LINA: 241 (78.8); PL: 255 (82.8) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: LINA: 189 (61.8); PL: 198 (64.3) ○ Black: LINA: 76 (24.8); PL: 70 (22.7) ○ Other: LINA: 41 (13.4); PL: 40 (13.0) 	Change from baseline to week 12 in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AS (primary end point^e): LS mean change -1.9 vs -1.2; $p < 0.0001$ ● AB: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.1; $p < 0.0001$ ● AD: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.2; $p < 0.0001$ ● AP: LS mean -1.9 vs -1.2; $p < 0.0001$ Change from baseline and % responders at week 12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AS: LS mean -1.89 vs -1.18; $p < 0.0001$ ● 6/12-wk AS responders^e: 40.5% vs 23.4%; $p < 0.0001$ ● AP: LS mean: -1.89 vs -1.18; $p < 0.0001$ ● AP responders^d: 45.1% vs 28.9%; $p < 0.0001$ ● AB: LS mean -1.89 vs -1.14; $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM/wk: LS mean 2.37 vs 0.96; $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM responders^d: 51.3% vs 33.8%; $p < 0.0001$

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<i>Plecanatide</i>				
Brenner et al. ⁹⁵ 12-wk, phase 3, r, db, m studies 1 (N=1054) and 2 (N=1135)	Pts with IBS-C (Rome III criteria); aged 18–85 y	Study 1: PLEC 3 mg qd (N=351) and PLEC 6 mg qd (N=349) vs PL (N=354)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (range), years: PLEC 3 mg qd: 43.0 (18, 81); PLEC 6 mg qd: 43.2 (18, 78); PL: 43.0 (18, 81) ● Female, n (%): PLEC 3 mg qd: 267 (76.1); PLEC 6 mg qd: 266 (76.2); PL: 272 (76.8) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: PLEC 3 mg qd: 220 (62.7); PLEC 6 mg qd: 206 (59.0); PL: 237 (66.9) ○ Black/AA: PLEC 3 mg qd: 95 (27.1); PLEC 6 mg qd: 118 (33.8); PL: 89 (25.1) ○ Other: PLEC 3 mg qd: 36 (10.2); PLEC 6 mg qd: 25 (7.2); PL: 28 (8.0) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6/12-wk FDA combined response^b (primary end point): 30.2% and 29.5% vs 17.8%; both $p < 0.001$ ● Sustained efficacy response^b: 28.2% and 27.5% vs 17.2%; both $p \leq 0.001$ ● Improvement in stool consistency at week 12: mean change 1.51 and 1.72 vs 0.98; both $p < 0.001$ ● Reduction in straining at week 12: mean change -2.23 and -2.44 vs -1.58; both $p < 0.001$
		Study 2: PLEC 3 mg qd (N=377) and PLEC 6 mg qd (N=379) vs PL (N=379)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (range), years: PLEC 3 mg qd: 44.0 (18, 83); PLEC 6 mg qd: 43.1 (18, 83); PL: 44.8 (18, 81) ● Female, n (%): PLEC 3 mg qd: 270 (71.6); PLEC 6 mg qd: 273 (72.0); PL: 272 (71.8) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: PLEC 3 mg qd: 309 (82.0); PLEC 6 mg qd: 312 (82.3); PL: 301 (79.4) ○ Black/AA: PLEC 3 mg qd: 61 (16.2); PLEC 6 mg qd: 61 (16.1); PL: 73 (19.3) ○ Other: PLEC 3 mg qd: 7 (1.8); PLEC 6 mg qd: 6 (1.6); PL: 5 (1.3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6/12-wk FDA combined response^b (primary endpoint): 21.5% and 24.0% vs 14.2%; both $p < 0.01$ ● Sustained efficacy response^b: 20.7% and 23.7% vs 14.0%; $p < 0.05$ and $p \leq 0.001$, respectively ● Improvement in stool consistency at week 12: mean change 1.36 and 1.27 vs 0.84; both $p < 0.001$ ● Reduction in straining at week 12: mean change -1.85 and -1.82 vs -1.28; both $p < 0.001$
		Study 1 and 2 integrated data	NA	Change from baseline to week 12 in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AP: LS mean -1.6 and -1.6 vs -1.3; both $p < 0.0001$ ● AB: LS mean -1.5 and -1.6 vs -1.1; both $p < 0.0001$ ● CSBM/wk: LS mean 1.2 and 1.4 vs 0.7; both $p < 0.0001$
<i>Tenapanor</i>				
Chey et al. (T3MPO-1) ⁶⁰ 16-wke, phase 3, r, db, m (N=606)	Pts with IBS-C (Rome III criteria); aged 18-75 y; during the 2-wk screening period: average ≤ 5 SBMs/wk and < 3 CSBMs/wk; BSFS score < 3 ; average weekly AP score ≥ 3 ; and no liquid stools for any SBM or mushy stools for > 1 SBM, as per BSFS	TENA 50 mg bid (N=307) vs PL (N=299)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age, (SD), years: TENA: 45.0 (13.4); PL: 44.9 (13.0) ● Female, n (%): TENA: 244 (79.5); PL: 249 (83.3) ● Race, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: TENA: 201 (65.5); PL: 186 (62.2) ○ Black/AA: TENA: 88 (28.7); PL: 100 (33.4) ○ Other: TENA: 18 (5.8); PL: 13 (4.4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6/12-wk FDA combined response^b (primary endpoint): 27.0% vs 18.7%; $p = 0.02$ ● 6/12-wk CSBM response rate^b: 33.9% vs 29.4%; $p = 0.270$ ● 6/12-wk AP response rate^b: 44.0% vs 33.1%; $p = 0.008^j$ ● 9/12-wk combined response rate^b: 13.7% vs 3.3%; $p < 0.001^l$ ● Change from baseline or % responders at week 12^k: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AB responders^d: 37.8% vs 28.1%; $p = 0.014^l$ ● CSBM/wk: 2.1 vs 1.2; $p = 0.001^l$

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Study	Patient Population	Treatment	Demographics	Outcomes
Chey et al. (T3MPO-2) ⁶¹ 26-wk, phase 3, r, db, m (N=593)		TENA 50 mg bid (N=293) vs PL (N=300)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mean age (SD), years: TENA: 46.1 (13.1); PL: 44.8 (13.8) ● Female, n (%): TENA: 240 (81.9); PL: 247 (82.3) ● Race, n (%): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White: TENA: 185 (63.1); PL: 192 (64.0) ○ Black/AA: TENA: 92 (31.4); PL: 92 (30.7) ○ Asian: TENA: 12 (4.1); PL: 9 (3.0) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6/12-wk FDA combined response^b (primary end point): 36.5% vs 23.7%; p<0.001 ● 6/12-wk CSBM response rate^b: 47.4% vs 33.3%; p<0.001 ● 6/12-wk AP response rate^b: 49.8% vs 38.3%; p=0.004 ● 9/12-wk combined response rate^c: 18.4% vs 5.3%; p<0.001 ● 13/26-wk combined response rate^c: 35.5% vs 24.3%; p=0.003 Change from baseline or % responders at week 26^k: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AB responders^d: 44.7% vs 35.3%; p=0.02^l ● CSBM/wk: 3.3 vs 1.6; p<0.001^l

Notes: ^aDefined as a monthly responder for ≥ 2 of the 3 months of the study, where monthly responders were pts who rated their IBS symptoms as being at least moderately relieved (on a 7-point scale; 1 = significantly worse to 7 = significantly relieved) for all 4 weeks of the month or significantly relieved for ≥ 2 weeks of the month, with no ratings of moderately or severely worse. ^bUS FDA responder defined as a pt who met both of the following criteria in the same week for ≥ 6 of the first 12 weeks of treatment period: (1) an improvement of $\geq 30\%$ from baseline in the average of the daily worst abdominal pain scores (abdominal pain response) and (2) an increase of ≥ 1 CSBM from baseline (CSBM response). ^cAt least 30% decrease in average of daily worst AP score (AP response), ≥ 3 CSBMs and an increase of ≥ 1 CSBM (CSBM response), and both outcomes in the same week (combined response) for ≥ 9 of 12 weeks. ^dPts with $\geq 30\%$ decrease in AP or AB or CSBM rate increase of ≥ 1 per week for $\geq 50\%$ of weeks. ^ePts completing 12 weeks of the double-blind treatment period could enter a 4-week, double-blind, randomized withdrawal period in which pts initially randomized to LINA were rerandomized to LINA 290 μ g or PL, and pts previously randomized to PL received LINA 290 μ g qd. ^fChange from baseline in weekly AS (calculated by averaging daily ASs over a week) throughout the treatment period; AS is an end point derived from the DIBSS-C. ^gDefined as a pt who experienced ≥ 2 -point reduction from baseline in weekly AS for ≥ 6 of the 12 treatment weeks. ^hDefined as an overall responder plus a weekly responder for ≥ 2 of the last 4 weeks of the 12-week treatment period compared with placebo. ⁱAt least 30% decrease in average of daily worst AP score and an increase of ≥ 1 CSBM in the same week (combined response) for ≥ 9 of 12 weeks or ≥ 33 of 26 weeks. ^jNot obtained from formal statistical testing and therefore exploratory in nature. ^kObserved data.

Abbreviations: AA, African American; AB, abdominal bloating; AD, abdominal discomfort; AE, adverse event; AP, abdominal pain; AS, abdominal score; bid, twice daily; BSFS, Bristol Stool Form Scale; CSBM, complete spontaneous bowel movement; db, double blind; DIBSS-C, Diary for IBS Symptoms-Constipation; FDA, Food and Drug Administration; IBS-C, irritable bowel syndrome with constipation; IBS-QOL, IBS quality of life questionnaire; LINA, linaclotide; LS, least squares; LUBI, lubiprostone; m, multicenter; NA, not available; NS, non-significant; ol, open label; PLEC, plecanatide; PL, placebo; qd, once daily; r, randomized; pt, patient; RW, randomized withdrawal; SAE, serious adverse event; SGA, Subjects Global Assessment; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; TENA, tenapanor; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.

Page 246, Tenapanor section, second paragraph, last sentence, the text “Tenapanor significantly improved global and individual symptoms of IBS-C during the 12-week treatment period, as indicated by more patients in the tenapanor group achieving 6 of 12-week US FDA combined response rates, 6 of 12-week abdominal pain and CSBM rates, as well as 9 of 12-week and/or 13 of 26-week combined response rates (Table 4)” should read “Tenapanor improved global and individual symptoms of IBS-C during the 12-week treatment period, as indicated by higher percentages of patients in the tenapanor group achieving 6 of 12-week US FDA combined response rates, 6 of 12-week abdominal pain and CSBM rates, as well as 9 of 12-week and/or 13 of 26-week combined response rates (Table 4)”.

The authors apologise for these errors and advise they do not change the primary findings or scientific conclusions of the study.

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