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**Background.** Numerous microbiota-based therapies are being evaluated for prevention of *C. difficile* infection (rCDI), a public health threat with high recurrence rates associated with the current standard of care. RBX2660, a standardized microbiota-based drug, was efficacious for preventing rCDI in a double-blinded Phase 2b clinical study (PUNCH CD 2). Herein we report the durability of RBX2660 beyond the initial primary clinical end-point of a subsequent Phase 2 open-label study, demonstrating rCDI prevention at 6 months post-treatment.

**Methods.** This prospective, multi-center, open-label Phase 2 study enrolled subjects who had experienced either  $\geq 2$  recurrences of CDI following standard-of-care antibiotic therapy or  $\geq 2$  episodes of severe CDI requiring hospitalization. Participants received up to two doses of RBX2660 delivered via enema with doses 7 days apart. The primary endpoint of the open-label clinical study defined efficacy as absence of CDI at 8 weeks from the last dose. Safety follow-ups and durability assessments occurred via telephone at 3, 6, 12, and 24 months. The study is ongoing, and not all subjects have completed their assessments.

*Results.* This study included 149 RBX2660-treated subjects and 110 historical control subjects from 31 and 4 centers, respectively, in the United States and Canada. At 8-weeks post-treatment, RBX2660's efficacy in preventing rCDI (79.9%; 119/149) was higher than CDI-free rates in the historical control group (51.8%, 57/110; P < 0.001). Of the 119 subjects who were determined to be treatment success at 8 weeks, 117 have data through 6 months, of which 8 were exited for non-CDI reasons. Of those 109 subjects through the 6-month follow-up, 3 (2.8%) had a new CDI beyond 8 weeks after enema. The 6-month long-term CDI-free rate was 97.2% (106/109) (median follow-up. 182 days; mean: 177 days).

**Conclusion.** RBX2660, a microbiota-based drug, was efficacious for the prevention of recurrent CDI with long-term durability at 6-months post-treatment; a result consistent with 6-month rCDI prevention reported for the Phase 2b PUNCH CD 2 trial. Long-term follow-up of RBX2660 safety and efficacy 24 months is ongoing.

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#### 1951. Nephrotoxicity Associated With Imipenem/Cilastatin/Relebactam (IMI/ REL) vs. Imipenem/Cilastatin Plus Colistin (IMI+CST) in Patients With Imipenem-Nonsusceptible (NS) Bacterial Infections

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**Background.** Nephrotoxicity is a common complication of CST-based therapy, limiting its use to treat carbapenem-resistant bacterial infections. REL is a novel  $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitor that restores imipenem activity against many imipenem-NS strains of Gram-negative pathogens. IMI/REL was shown to be as effective but better tolerated than IMI+CST in the phase 3 RESTORE-IMI 1 study (NCT02452047), including a lower incidence of treatment-emergent nephrotoxicity (prespecified secondary endpoint). Here we present additional renal safety data from that trial.

*Methods.* Randomized, active-controlled, double-blind, phase 3 trial in adults with infections caused by ≥1 imipenem-NS (but CST- and IMI/REL-susceptible) pathogen. Treatment (2:1) was IMI/REL or IMI+CST for 5–21 days in complicated intra-abdominal infection and complicated urinary tract infection and 7–21 days in hospital-acquired/ventilator-associated bacterial pneumonia. For baseline serum creatinine (Cr) <1.2 mg/dL, nephrotoxicity was defined as a doubling of serum Cr to >1.2 mg/dL OR decrease in Cr clearance [CrCl] ≥50%; for Cr ≥1.2 mg/dL, nephrotoxicity was defined as an increase in serum Cr ≥1 mg/dL OR decrease from baseline in CrCl ≥20% OR need for renal replacement therapy. KDIGO and RIFLE criteria of acute kidney injury (AKI) were applied to the data; renal-related adverse events (AEs) were analyzed.

**Results.** A total of 47 patients were randomized, treated (31 IMI/REL, 16 IMI+CST), and included in this analysis. A significantly smaller percentage of patients in the IMI/REL than the IMI+CST group experienced protocol-defined nephrotoxicity (% difference: -45.9 [95% CI: -69.1, -18.4]; P = 0.002) during study treatment and the 14-day follow-up period (table). These results were confirmed by applying KDIGO and RIFLE criteria, with no patients in the IMI/REL group in stage 3 AKI or failure compared with 31.3% and 25.0%, respectively, in the IMI+CST group. Fewer renal AEs, including discontinuations due to renal events, were observed in the IMI/REL group.

**Conclusion.** IMI/REL demonstrates a more favorable renal safety profile compared with CST-based therapy, as demonstrated by a lower incidence of treatment-emergent nephrotoxicity and AKI with IMI/REL across several different analyses.

Table	Protocol-specified	nephrotoxicity	and	renal	AE
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	IMI/REL N=31		IMI+CST <sup>a</sup> N=16	
	n/m	% (95% CI)	n/m	% (95% CI)
Protocol-specified nephrotoxicity	3/29	10.3 (2.8, 27.2)	9/16	56.3 (33.2, 76.9)
AKI (KDIGO)	n/m	%	n/m	%
Stage 1	5/29	17.2	6/16	37.5
Stage 2	1/29	3.4	2/16	12.5
Stage 3	0/29	0	5/16	31.3
AKI (RIFLE)	n/m	%	n/m	%
Risk	3/29	10.3	6/16	37.5
Injury	1/29	3.4	2/16	12.5
Failure	0/29	0	4/16	25.0
Renal AEs <sup>b</sup>	n/m	%	n/m	%
Blood Cr increased	0/31	0	4/16	25.0
Blood urea increased	0/31	0	1/16	6.3
CrCl decreased	2/31	6.5	2/16	12.5
GFR decreased	0/31	0	1/16	6.3
Acute kidney injury	1/31	3.2	0/16	0
Renal failure	1/31	3.2	0/16	0
Drug-related renal AEs leading to discontinuation of treatment	n/m	%	n/m	%
Blood Cr increased	0/31	0	1/16	6.3
CrCl decreased	0/31	0	1/16	6.3

<sup>a</sup>Provided as colistimethate sodium. <sup>b</sup>Based on investigator assessment.

GFR, glomerular filtration rate; n/m, number of patients with event of interest/number of patients evaluable (for nephrotoxicity and AKI, those with a baseline Cr measurement and  $\ge 1$  Cr measurement following  $\ge 1$  dose of study therapy).

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KDIGO (Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes) Criteria: KDIGO Acute Kidney Injury Work Group. KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for Acute Kidney Injury. *Kidney Int Suppl.* 2012 Mar;2(1):1-138. RIFLE (Risk, Injury, Failure, Loss of Kidney function, and End-stage kidney disease) Criteria: GFR was estimated based on the Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration equation (Levey AS, et al. Ann Intern Med. 2009;150[9]:604-612).

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### 1952. Evaluation of Relapse and Reinfection Using Whole-Genome Sequencing of *Clostridium difficile* Isolates From Elderly Patients With *C. difficile* Infection (CDI) in the EXTEND Randomized, Controlled, Comparative Study of Extended-Pulsed Fidaxomicin and Vancomycin for the Treatment of CDI

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**Background.** The EXTEND study demonstrated reduced 90-day recurrence rates for an extended-pulsed regimen of fidaxomicin (EPFX) vs. standard vancomycin (SV) in the treatment of *Clostridium difficile* infection (CDI): treatment difference -13%, P = 0.00073.<sup>1</sup> Whole-genome sequencing (WGS) is used to differentiate between