

malignancy, of these 3 were receiving ongoing chemotherapy. 9/10 patients were recipients of stem cell (2) or solid-organ transplants (7). 7/10 patients were also on some form of immunosuppressive medications. Most common virus isolated was Norovirus (7/10). All patients received a standard dose of 500mg twice daily NTZ. The median duration of therapy was 7 days (range: 3–21). 6/10 patients had documented improvement in diarrhea at the end of treatment. 1/10 patients died within 30 days of diagnosis from causes unrelated to diarrheal illness (Table 1).

**Conclusion:** Our limited data set presents interesting insights into treatment of viral gastroenteritis in immunocompromised hosts, in particular transplant recipients. All of the cases identified were treated in second half of study period after January 1, 2015, signaling an increasing interest in this therapy, especially in cases with prolonged symptoms or viral shedding. Our observations indicate a need for larger studies into this application of NTZ in adult immunocompromised hosts.

Table 1: Patient Characteristics

Age (Year)/ Gender	LOS Hospital/ KOV (Days)	Health at 30 days	Therapy Duration (Days)	Diarrhea Improved	Non-Infectious Cause of Diarrhea	Primary Serotype/ ID Type	Organism (V)	Malignancy	Transplant	Immunosuppressant Medication*	MetS,†‡ Diabetes	Chemotherapy Regimen	Antimicrobial Prophylaxis	Other Antibiotics Used
60/M (2012)	7/0	N	4	Y	N	Medicine/ General ID	Norovirus	Multiple	Autologous SCT	Prednisone 3			Acyclovir Doxycycline Posaconazole Azithromycin	Cefepime
62/F (2012)	11/0	N	3	Y	N	Transplant/ ID	Norovirus		Heart Lung	Prednisone 3				
58/M (2018)	38/2191	N	5	Y	N	Transplant/ ID	Norovirus		Heart	Prednisone 5, MMF, Tacrolimus 1.5, Prednisone 2	8.2		Valganciclovir	
66/M (2017)	6/0	N	7	Y	N	Transplant/ None	Norovirus		Heart	Tacrolimus 1.5, Prednisone 2			MMF/MSM	
70/F (2016)	4/0	Y	7	Y	N	BMT/None	Norovirus Norovirus	CMV	Allogeneic SCT	Prednisone 70			Acyclovir Fluconazole Penicillin VK TMP/SMX	
72/F (2017)	6/0	N	7	Y	MMF	Transplant/ None	Norovirus Cryptosporidium	Bladder	Heart	Prednisone 2, Tacrolimus 2	4.8	Metformin + 4 weeks	MMF/MSM	
61/M (2016)	12/0	N	7	N	N	BMT/None	Norovirus		Kidney, Autologous SCT	Tacrolimus 2		ABVD	Voriconazole Valganciclovir Levofloxacin Penicillin VK TMP/SMX	Pravastatin Tacrolimus
63/M (2017)	6/0	N	5	N	MMF	Transplant/ None	Sapovirus		Liver, Kidney	Tacrolimus 2, MMF			MMF Methyl Prednisolone	
58/M (2015)	40/0	N	7	N	N	Transplant/ General ID	Rotavirus	Precursor T-Cell ALL					Fluconazole, Acyclovir	PO Vancomycin
52/F (2018)	2/0	N	21	N	N	Transplant/ ID	Norovirus		Kidney	Prednisone 5, Tacrolimus 0.5				

\*Year of diagnosis in [ ]  
 †All patients received oral Metformin 500 mg twice daily.  
 ‡All patients received oral Tacrolimus 1 mg twice daily.  
 †††LOS of Prednisone and Tacrolimus expressed in mg/days.

LOS = Length of Stay; ID = Infectious Disease; Y = Yes, N = No, M = Male, F = Female; PO = oral; CMV = Cytomegalovirus; ALL = Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia; MMF = Mycophenolate mofetil; MetS = Metabolic Syndrome; SCT = Stem Cell Transplant; ABVD = Adriamycin + Bleomycin + Vinorelbine + Dose Intense, Augmented Etoposide up to 8 Etoposide Cyclophosphamide + Vinorelbine + Doxorubicin + Daunorubicin alternating with high-dose Methotrexate + Cytarabine followed by maintenance therapy; TMP/SMX = Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole

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**2644. Evaluation of Clinical Course and Health-Related Quality-of-Life Following Treatment with Oseltamivir, Laninamivir, and Baloxavir Marboxil in Adult Patients with Seasonal Influenza: Prospective Observational Study**

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**Background:** Influenza is currently being treated in Japan with 4 types of neuraminidase inhibitors and the cap-dependent endonuclease inhibitor baloxavir marboxil. Among these, baloxavir marboxil is the newest agent and currently available in limited countries, while the clinical efficacy of this drug in the real world remains to be determined.

**Methods:** Adult patients with seasonal influenza during the 2018–2019 winter season, who received either oseltamivir (75 mg twice daily for 5 days), laninamivir (40 mg once), or baloxavir marboxil (40 or 80 mg once) at their physician's discretion in one hospital, were enrolled. The course of the symptoms including fever were surveyed by questionnaire. Health-related quality-of-life (HRQOL) was also examined by using Short Form-8 before and 7 days after admission. The main study endpoints were the time to defervescence and the extent of improvement of HRQOL after treatment initiation. Welch's t-test and Fisher exact test were used for statistical analysis.

**Results:** Forty-two patients (oseltamivir group; n = 12, laninamivir group; n = 16, baloxavir group; n = 14) could be followed up. There were no significant differences in clinical backgrounds of all groups. Although there were no significant differences between the oseltamivir and each other groups with the time of defervescence, the average time to defervescence in the baloxavir group was shorter than that in the oseltamivir group (average ± standard deviation; 1.57 ± 0.76 vs. 2.33 ± 1.23 days, P = 0.0853). There were significant differences between the baloxavir and laninamivir groups (2.50 ± 1.26 days, P = 0.0231). There were no significant differences between each group with respect to the change of HRQOL and the time of clearing of other symptoms.

**Conclusion:** Regarding the antipyretic effect, baloxavir marboxil is clinically superior to laninamivir. Although there was no significant difference between the baloxavir group and the oseltamivir group with respect to the time to defervescence, baloxavir marboxil also might be clinically superior to oseltamivir because baloxavir marboxil has an advantage over oseltamivir with respect to medication adherence.

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**2645. Clinical Outcomes of Oseltamivir vs. Baloxavir in Patients Hospitalized with Influenza A**

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**Background:** Baloxavir marboxil is a new antiviral agent for the treatment of acute uncomplicated influenza in patients > 12 years of age who have been symptomatic for no more than 48 hours. However, clinical trials to date have excluded patients hospitalized with influenza infection.

**Methods:** This study was a multi-center, retrospective chart review of adult patients admitted to the hospital who received oseltamivir or baloxavir for the treatment of influenza A. Patients were screened for inclusion between January 2018 and February 2018 in the oseltamivir group while patients in the baloxavir group were screened for inclusion between January 2019 and February 2019. Patients who had influenza diagnosed after 48 hours from hospital admission, were not admitted to the hospital, received baloxavir and > 2 doses of oseltamivir during their hospital stay, received > 1 dose of baloxavir during admission for influenza, received influenza therapy prior to admission, died within 48 hours of presentation to the hospital, were asymptomatic at the time of antiviral therapy, or who had left the hospital against medical advice were excluded. Influenza A diagnosis was confirmed by RT-PCR using a nasopharyngeal swab specimen. The primary outcome was hospital length of stay (LOS).

**Results:** Of the 699 patients reviewed, 359 met inclusion criteria. There were 221 patients who received baloxavir and 138 patients who received oseltamivir. Patients who received oseltamivir were older (65 years [55–78] vs. 82 years [69–88], P < 0.01) and were less likely to have a Body Mass Index > 40 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (26 [12%] vs. 7 [5%], P = 0.03) compared with the baloxavir group. For the primary outcome of LOS, the baloxavir group had a shorter LOS compared with oseltamivir (4 days [3–6] vs. 5 days [3–8], P = 0.02). Of the 272 patients who were hypoxic at the time of antiviral administration, the baloxavir group was more likely to resolve their hypoxia (145 [88%] vs. 84 [79%], P = 0.04) and had a shorter time to resolution of hypoxia (43 hours [22–78] vs. 81 hours [33–135], P < 0.001) compared with oseltamivir.

**Conclusion:** This study supports the use of baloxavir for the treatment of influenza A in hospitalized patients with possible benefits of reduced length of stay and faster time to resolution of hypoxia compared with oseltamivir.

	Baloxavir (n=221)	Oseltamivir (n=138)	P-value
<b>Demographics</b>			
Age, median (IQR)	65 (55-78)	82 (69-88)	< 0.01
Female Sex, n (%)	109 (49)	73 (53)	0.51
Active smoker, n (%)	35 (16)	15 (11)	0.19
Body Mass Index 30-40 Kg/m <sup>2</sup> , n (%)	64 (29)	32 (23)	0.23
Heart failure, n (%)	40 (18)	37 (27)	0.05
Diabetes, n (%)	76 (34)	36 (26)	0.10
Chronic respiratory disease, n (%)	97 (44)	53 (38)	0.31
Chronic kidney disease, n (%)	45 (20)	28 (20)	0.99
Dialysis, n (%)	16 (7)	7 (5)	0.41
End stage liver disease, n (%)	2 (1)	2 (1)	0.64
Immunosuppression, n (%)	39 (18)	19 (14)	0.33
Days from symptom onset to drug receipt, median (IQR)	2 (1-4)	2 (1-3)	0.02
<b>Clinical Outcomes</b>			
LOS (Days), median (IQR)	4 (3-6)	5 (3-8)	0.02
Hypoxia resolution, n (%)	n=165 145 (88)	n=107 84 (79)	0.04
Hours from antiviral to hypoxia resolution, median (IQR)	n=165 43 (22-78)	n=107 81 (32-135)	<0.01
Hours from antiviral to fever resolution, median (IQR)	n=163 27 (11-40)	n=98 29 (12-46)	0.38
All-cause 30-day mortality, n (%)	37 (17)	14 (10)	0.08

\*Immunosuppressive medications, receipt of chemotherapy within the past year, bone marrow transplant recipient, lupus erythematosus & vasculitis

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**2646. Incidence of Myelosuppression Related to Valganciclovir Prophylaxis in Solid-Organ Transplant Recipients at High Risk of CMV Disease**

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**Background:** Valganciclovir (VGCV) prophylaxis in solid-organ transplant patients (SOT) is limited by myelotoxicity. We aimed to analyze the impact of VGCV prophylaxis on myelotoxicity and risk factors for its occurrence.

**Methods:** Retrospective single-center cohort study of adult CMV-seronegative recipients transplanted between July 2005 and November 2017. CMV D+/R- recipients received 3 to 6 months of VGCV prophylaxis whereas CMV D-/R- received no VGCV. Definitions: leukopenia < 3.5 × 10<sup>9</sup>/L, significant neutropenia < 1.0 × 10<sup>9</sup>/L and significant thrombocytopenia < 50 × 10<sup>9</sup>/L.

**Results:** A total of 363 SOT recipients were included, 169 (47%) CMV D+/R- and 194 (53%) CMV D-/R-, with a mean age of 49.5 years and 275 (76%) males; types of organ transplant: 133 (37%) liver, 181 (50%) kidney, 37 (10%) simultaneous kidney-pancreas and 12 (3%) other. Although there was no difference in the incidence of significant neutropenia or thrombocytopenia per transplant type, leukopenia in the first year was more common in liver transplant patients (P < 0.001). New onset leukopenia post-SOT, significant neutropenia (Figure 1) and significant thrombocytopenia in the first year were more common in patients receiving VGCV: 116 D+/R- (69%) vs. 52 D-/R- (31%), P < 0.001; 86 (91%) vs. 9 (9%), P < 0.001; 8 (80%) vs. 2 (20%),