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1 A Phase 3, **R**andomized, double-blind, multicenter study to **E**valuate the safety and efficacy of  
2 intravenous **I**claprim versus **V**ancomycin for the **t**rEatment of acute bacterial skin and skin  
3 structure infections suspected or confirmed to be due to Gram-positive pathogens: REVIVE-2  
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23 Summary: Iclaprim achieved non-inferiority compared with vancomycin at its primary endpoint  
24 of early clinical response (defined as a  $\geq 20\%$  reduction in lesion size at 48-72 hours compared to  
25 baseline) in a Phase 3 study for the treatment of acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections.

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Abstract

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Iclaprim is a novel diaminopyrimidine antibiotic that may be an effective and safe treatment for serious skin infections. The safety and efficacy of iclaprim were assessed in a global Phase 3, double-blind, randomized, active-controlled trial. Six-hundred thirteen adults with acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections (ABSSSI) suspected or confirmed to be due to Gram-positive pathogens were randomized to iclaprim (80 mg) or vancomycin (15mg/kg), both administered intravenously every 12 hours for 5 - 14 days. The primary endpoint was a  $\geq 20\%$  reduction in lesion size, compared with baseline, at 48 to 72 hours after the start of administration of study drug in the intent-to-treat population. Among patients randomized to iclaprim, 78.3% (231 of 295) met this primary endpoint, compared with 76.7% (234 of 305) for those receiving vancomycin (treatment difference: 1.58%, 95% CI: -5.10% to 8.26%). This met the pre-specified 10% non-inferiority margin. Iclaprim was well tolerated, with most adverse events categorized as mild. In conclusion, iclaprim was non-inferior to vancomycin and was well tolerated in this Phase 3 clinical trial for the treatment of acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections. Based on these results, iclaprim may be an efficacious and safe treatment for skin infections suspected or confirmed to be due to Gram-positive pathogens.

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Keywords: iclaprim, vancomycin, acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections

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## Introduction

52 Acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections (ABSSSI) are common and potentially  
53 serious infections that may require hospitalization, intravenous antibiotics, and/or surgical  
54 intervention [1,2]. Most are caused by Gram-positive pathogens, including methicillin-resistant  
55 *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA), methicillin-susceptible *S. aureus* (MSSA), and beta-hemolytic  
56 streptococci [2]. Currently available treatment options have limitations. New therapeutic options  
57 with improved efficacy, safety, and/or pharmacodynamics are needed for ABSSSI [3-4].

58 Iclaprim is a diaminopyrimidine, which inhibits bacterial dihydrofolate reductase, and is active  
59 against drug-resistant pathogens [6-9]. Iclaprim demonstrates rapid in vitro bactericidal activity  
60 in time-kill studies in human plasma [10]. In the previous Phase 3 clinical trial among patients  
61 treated for ABSSSI (REVIVE-1), early clinical responses in the intent-to-treat (ITT) population  
62 were 80.9% for iclaprim and 81.0% for vancomycin at the early time point [11]. We report the  
63 second Phase 3 study (REVIVE-2) comparing the outcomes of patients treated with either  
64 iclaprim or vancomycin for ABSSSI suspected or confirmed to be due to Gram-positive  
65 pathogens.

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## Methods

69 **Study design and participants.** REVIVE-2 was a double-blind, multicenter phase 3 non-  
70 inferiority trial. Patients were randomized 1:1 to treatment with either iclaprim 80 mg IV q12h  
71 (iclaprim) or vancomycin 15mg/kg IV q12h (vancomycin) (NCT02600611). This study design  
72 followed both Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and European Medicines Agency (EMA)

73 guidance. Patients were enrolled between April 2016 and August 2017. The institutional review  
74 board at each site approved the protocol, and all patients or their authorized representative  
75 provided written informed consent.

76 Male and female patients  $\geq 18$  years of age with suspected or confirmed ABSSSI due to  
77 Gram-positive pathogens were eligible for study participation. ABSSSI was defined as a  
78 bacterial infection of the skin with a lesion size  $\geq 75\text{cm}^2$ . ABSSSIs were classified as major  
79 cutaneous abscess, pure cellulitis/erysipelas, and/or wound infections (caused by external trauma  
80 [e.g., needle sticks or insect bites]), and had the following characteristics: the presence of  
81 purulent or seropurulent drainage before or after surgical intervention of a wound or at least 3 of  
82 the following signs and symptoms: discharge, erythema (extending at least 2 cm beyond a wound  
83 edge in one direction), swelling and/or induration, heat and/or localized warmth, and/or pain  
84 and/or tenderness to palpation. Key inclusion and exclusion criteria are listed in Table 1.

85 Iclaprim was administered at 80mg (no hepatic impairment or Child-Pugh A) or 40 mg  
86 IV q12h (Child-Pugh B). Child-Pugh C patients were excluded. Vancomycin was administered  
87 at 15 mg/kg IV and adjusted according to a nomogram with dosing every 12 hours (creatinine  
88 clearance [CrCl]  $\geq 50$  mL/min), every 24 hours (CrCl  $\geq 35$ -49 mL/min), every 48 hours (CrCl  
89  $\geq 25$ -34 mL/min), or according to vancomycin trough levels (CrCl  $< 25$  mL/min) or creatinine  
90 clearance. The unblinded pharmacist prepared infusions for patients who were assigned to the  
91 vancomycin arm, maintaining the same infusion volume as used for iclaprim. For each patient,  
92 the unblinded pharmacist used the creatinine clearance or vancomycin trough levels (to which  
93 the investigator was blinded) to adjust the vancomycin dosage to maintain a trough of 10 - 15  
94 mg/L for patients with an organism with MIC  $\leq 1$  mg/L, or 15 - 20 mg/L for those with MIC  $> 1$   
95 mg/L. Both iclaprim and vancomycin were infused over 120 minutes in 500mL normal saline.

96 Normal saline placebo infusions were used to maintain the blind when vancomycin was dosed at  
97 an interval greater than every 12 hours.

98         The protocol permitted concomitant antibiotic treatment with aztreonam or metronidazole  
99 for patients in whom Gram staining of culturable material or cultures indicated Gram-negative  
100 and anaerobic bacteria, respectively. Systemic antibiotics (other than aztreonam and  
101 metronidazole) or topical antibiotics at the site of the ABSSSI under investigation were  
102 prohibited.

103         Patients received their first dose of randomly allocated study medication within 24 hours  
104 after randomization. Study medications were administered for at least 5 days with continuation  
105 of treatment up to 14 days at the discretion of the investigator based on the assessment of  
106 resolution of signs and symptoms of the ABSSSI. This duration of treatment was in accordance  
107 with the Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA) guidelines [12].

108         Clinical specimens for microbiologic evaluation, including pus from a wound or abscess,  
109 and aspirate or skin biopsy from the leading edge of cellulitis, were obtained from patients prior  
110 to randomization. At subsequent visits, additional specimens were obtained, for patients with  
111 persistent clinical signs or symptoms. Specimens were evaluated by the local microbiology  
112 laboratory, and isolates were subcultured and sent to a central microbiology laboratory for  
113 confirmation of pathogen identity and MICs. *S. aureus* genotyping was not performed for this  
114 study. In order to increase identification of patients with ABSSSI caused by *Streptococcus*  
115 *pyogenes* (e.g., cellulitis), leading edge punch biopsies were encouraged for patients with pure  
116 cellulitis and serological tests (ASO titers) for all patients were obtained at baseline and at test of  
117 cure (2-3 weeks after baseline). A beta-hemolytic streptococci was considered present if the  
118 patient had a ABSSSI and an elevated titer of ASO at baseline and/or at test of cure or a four fold

119 rise of antibody at test of cure from baseline. Two sets of blood samples for aerobic/anaerobic  
120 cultures 10 minutes apart from different sites peripherally were obtained within 24 hours before  
121 the first dose of study drug.

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123 **Endpoints.** The primary efficacy endpoint of the study was the proportion of patients  
124 who achieved an early clinical response (ECR), defined as a  $\geq 20\%$  reduction in lesion size  
125 compared with baseline at the early time point (ETP) 48-72 hours after the start of administration  
126 of the study drug in the intent-to-treat (ITT) population. The secondary endpoints of the study  
127 included: (1) clinical cure rate at test of cure (TOC) 7 - 14 days after the last dose of study drug,  
128 as measured by both the traditional and a modified composite TOC assessments in the ITT  
129 population (see below); and (2) safety and tolerability of iclaprim compared with vancomycin.

130 Clinical cure at the TOC visit, conducted 7 - 14 days post-EOT, was evaluated using two  
131 prespecified definitions. First, clinical cure at the TOC visit was defined as complete resolution  
132 of all signs and symptoms of ABSSSI such that no further antibiotic treatment or surgical  
133 procedure were needed. This definition of clinical cure is used for pivotal Phase 3 studies of  
134 ABSSSI [5]. Secondly, a modified clinical cure at TOC was also evaluated as a  $\geq 90\%$  reduction  
135 in lesion size compared with baseline, no increase in lesion size since ETP, and no requirement  
136 for additional antibiotics (except aztreonam or metronidazole for polymicrobial infections) or  
137 unplanned significant surgical procedures after ETP. This modified clinical cure was intended to  
138 allow for an additional measure (i.e., 90% reduction in lesion size) similar to the early clinical  
139 response (ECR, i.e., 20% reduction in lesion size).

140 Patients were evaluated at a baseline assessment, then evaluated daily through ETP, and  
141 then every 48 - 72 hours through EOT. Treatment duration was 5 - 14 days based on investigator



142 assessment. Patients were then evaluated at the TOC assessment conducted 7 - 14 days post-  
143 EOT, followed by a late follow-up phone call conducted 28 to 32 days after the first dose (Figure  
144 1).

145 Safety was assessed by Common Terminology Criteria for reported treatment emergent  
146 adverse events (TEAEs), serious adverse events (SAEs), hematology, clinical chemistry, liver  
147 function tests, coagulation, urinalysis, vital signs, physical examinations, and electrocardiograms  
148 (ECGs).

149 **Statistical analysis.** The statistical analyses evaluated the efficacy and safety of iclaprim  
150 compared with vancomycin. Statistical tests for efficacy analyses were two-sided, and at the  
151 level of significance  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Confidence intervals (CIs) were calculated as a two-sided  
152 95% confidence interval. Continuous data were summarized by treatment group using the  
153 number of patients in the analysis population (N), mean, standard deviation (SD), median, and  
154 range, and categorical data were summarized by treatment group using N and percentage.  
155 Demographics and baseline characteristics were summarized using descriptive statistics. The  
156 primary efficacy analysis was performed in the ITT population. Secondary analyses were  
157 performed in the ITT predefined populations that included diabetes, mild, moderate and severe  
158 renal impairment. By-patient and by-pathogen bacteriological outcomes at EOT and TOC were  
159 presented as frequency distributions of outcomes by treatment group for patients with a  
160 confirmed Gram-positive pathogen at baseline. The safety population was defined as all  
161 randomized patients who received at least one dose of study medication. The incidence of  
162 TEAEs was summarized at the overall patient level, Medical Dictionary for Regulatory  
163 Activities (MedDRA) version 20.0 system organ class level, and preferred term level. Separate  
164 tabulations were provided by severity and relationship to study medication and for SAEs.

165 Laboratory data, vital signs and ECGs were evaluated by presentation of summary statistics of  
166 raw data and changes from baseline.

167 Six hundred patients (approximately 300 per treatment group) randomized (1:1) were  
168 targeted for this study. Using Farrington and Manning's method for non-inferiority (NI) testing  
169 with a 1 sided alpha of 0.025, assuming a 75% ECR rate in each group and a 10% non-inferiority  
170 bound delta, a sample size of 295 ITT patients per treatment group was required for 80% power.

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## 172 Results

### 173 Demographics

174 The study randomized 613 patients, and 600 fulfilled criteria for the ITT population, the  
175 prespecified efficacy population for FDA, from 40 study sites in 10 countries. Figure 2 shows the  
176 disposition of patients. The patients lost to followup in each treatment group were similar to  
177 other patients randomized in the severity of their ABSSSIs (5 for iclaprim and 6 for  
178 vancomycin). There were 13 patients randomized in error; these were identified prior to  
179 unblinding and were not included in the ITT analysis. Of these, 6 had lesions that did not meet  
180 study entry criteria (lesion size  $<75 \text{ cm}^2$ ) and 7 were unable or unwilling to follow study  
181 procedures. The baseline and demographic characteristics of patients treated with either iclaprim  
182 or vancomycin were comparable (Tables 2 and 3). The proportion of patients with fever at  
183 baseline in the iclaprim and vancomycin cohorts were 27.1% and 26.2%, respectively. The  
184 baseline mean (S.D.) lesion sizes of patients in the iclaprim and vancomycin cohorts were 372.3  
185 (305.8)  $\text{cm}^2$  and 357.0 (271.1)  $\text{cm}^2$ , respectively. Treatment groups were similar for baseline  
186 ABSSSI categories, laboratory parameters, vital signs, physical examinations, X-rays, and ECG  
187 evaluations. In addition, no notable differences were observed between treatment groups with

188 respect to prior medications and treatments or study drug compliance were observed. Both the  
189 iclaprim and vancomycin treatment groups had a median of 7 treatment days (range: 5 – 14  
190 days).

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## 192 Efficacy Results

### 193 Primary Endpoint

194 In the ITT population, an ECR was reported at ETP for 78.3% (231/295) of patients in  
195 the iclaprim group and for 76.7% (234/305) of patients in the vancomycin group (% difference:  
196 1.58; 95% Confidence Interval (CI): -5.10, 8.26)) (Table 3). A sensitivity analysis adding the 13  
197 excluded patients showed similar results (iclaprim 76.5%, vancomycin 76.2%, % difference  
198 0.25, 95% CI: -6.48, 6.98).

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### 200 Secondary Analyses

201 In the ITT population, the clinical cure rates at TOC were 77.6% (229/295) and 77.7%  
202 (237 of 305) for patients treated with iclaprim and vancomycin group, respectively (%  
203 difference: -0.08; 95% CI: -6.74, 6.59) (Table 4). Using a modified clinical cure TOC analysis  
204 defined by a  $\geq 90\%$  reduction in lesion size compared with baseline, no increase in lesion size  
205 since ETP and no requirement for additional antibiotics, clinical cure was observed in 71.5% and  
206 70.5% of patients receiving iclaprim and vancomycin, respectively (treatment difference: 1.03%,  
207 95% CI: -6.23% to 8.29%). The ECR at ETP was comparable for the iclaprim and vancomycin  
208 groups among the ITT predefined populations by lesion type, pathogen, diabetes, mild, moderate  
209 and severe renal impairment (Table 4).

210 For the microbiological outcome at EOT and TOC, 384 (64.0%) patients presented with a

211 culture-confirmed Gram-positive pathogen at baseline. *S. aureus* was the most commonly  
212 isolated pathogen (N=258) of which 138 (53.4%) were MRSA (Table 2). The MIC<sub>50</sub>/MIC<sub>90</sub>  
213 values for iclaprim and vancomycin for *S. aureus* isolates were 0.12 / 0.5 mcg/mL and 1 / 1  
214 mcg/mL, respectively.

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## 216 Safety Results

217 Study drug-related TEAEs, treatment emergent SAEs, and deaths among patients in the  
218 iclaprim and vancomycin treatment groups are shown in Table 5. The treatment emergent  
219 adverse events leading to discontinuation were 5.4% and 5.6% in the iclaprim and vancomycin  
220 group, respectively. Similar incidence of nausea (5.7% and 5.6%), infusion site extravasation  
221 (4.3% and 4.0%), diarrhea (2.7% and 3.6%), and headache (2.3% and 4.3%), were reported in  
222 patients in the iclaprim group compared to vancomycin group, respectively. Although not an a  
223 priori hypothesis, there were no study-drug related TEAE related to nephrotoxicity reported for  
224 patients treated with iclaprim compared to 2 (0.7%) for vancomycin. Per the protocol,  
225 nephrotoxicity was predefined as an increase in serum creatinine of 0.5 mg/dL or 50% above  
226 baseline for at least two consecutive days. The serum creatinine change from baseline to TOC  
227 was 0.7 and 7.7 µmol/L (0.008 and 0.09 mg/dL) in patients in the iclaprim group compared to  
228 vancomycin group, respectively. There were no significant differences between treatment groups  
229 in mean values or mean changes in other routine serum laboratory parameters, urinalysis results,  
230 vital signs or physical examinations during treatment, or at EOT, TOC and follow-up between  
231 treatment groups. Eleven (3.7%) patients in the iclaprim group, and nine (3.0%) patients in the  
232 vancomycin group had increases in ALT or AST values to >3X upper limit of normal (ULN)  
233 during treatment. Three patients (one in the iclaprim and two in the vancomycin group) had a

234 diagnosis of acute hepatitis A confirmed by IgM serology. Two of those patients (one in the  
235 iclaprim and one in the vancomycin group) had bilirubin increases >2X ULN. These increases  
236 resolved to baseline values upon discontinuation of drug in all patients. No subject met Hy's law  
237 criteria in this study.

238 One (0.4%) patient in the iclaprim group and 0 patients in the vancomycin group had  
239 QTcF intervals >500 msec (i.e., 503 msec) or increased by >60 msec compared with baseline.  
240 The QTc prolongation was not reported as an adverse event and resolved to baseline values upon  
241 discontinuation of drug.

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## 243 Discussion

244 In this study, iclaprim was non-inferior to vancomycin in the treatment of ABSSSI  
245 suspected or confirmed to be caused by Gram-positive organisms, based on the primary endpoint  
246 of early clinical response. This Phase 3 study clinical trial also met its secondary endpoints,  
247 demonstrating that the clinical cure rates at TOC, both the traditional and the modified composite  
248 TOC, were similar for patients treated with iclaprim and vancomycin. Similar treatment  
249 outcomes were also noted across a priori identified subgroups. No notable differences in the  
250 incidence of TEAEs between the treatment groups were observed.

251 Results in REVIVE-2 were broadly similar to those of REVIVE-1, an identically-  
252 designed trial in which iclaprim also achieved non-inferiority to vancomycin. Taken together,  
253 these results suggest that iclaprim is efficacious and safe for treatment of serious skin infections  
254 suspected to be due to Gram-positive pathogens.

255 In contrast to previous cSSSI studies, a fixed iclaprim dose was used in this study. This  
256 fixed dose of iclaprim was selected because, compared to the weight-based dosing regimen used

257 in the previous Phase 3 studies [4], the fixed dose maximizes by 30% the AUC/MIC and time  
258 above MIC, the parameters most closely associated with efficacy in animal infection models,  
259 while reducing by 10% the steady-state  $C_{max}$  ( $C_{max/ss}$ ), a parameter associated with QTc  
260 prolongation in Phase 1 studies. In this study, there was only one patient who received iclaprim  
261 (0.3%) with subsequent QTc prolongation. Consequently, the fixed dose of iclaprim may be  
262 important especially in patients with borderline QTc prolongation, diabetes, obesity and  
263 decreased renal function. No dosage adjustments of iclaprim are needed in these populations.

264       Currently recommended agents for treatment of moderate to severe Gram-positive skin  
265 infections include vancomycin, linezolid or daptomycin [12]. Safety issues or resistance to these  
266 agents are reported among patients treated for MRSA infections [15-20]. The results of this  
267 study, in combination with those of REVIVE-1, suggest that iclaprim may be a useful addition to  
268 the treatment armamentarium. Advantages of iclaprim are that it does not appear nephrotoxic,  
269 does not require dose adjustments for renal impairment, and does not require therapeutic drug  
270 monitoring.

271       A strength of this Phase 3 study is that greater than 40% of randomized patients had  
272 wound infections. This group of infections is typically more difficult to cure compared to  
273 abscesses and cellulitis, and their inclusion enhances generalizability of study findings to this  
274 important population.

275       There are limitations to this Phase 3 study. First, 67.5% (405 out 600) of enrolled  
276 patients in this study were from the United States, 29.7% (178 of 600) from Europe, and 2.8%  
277 (17 of 600) from Latin America. A high proportion of injection drug users (~50%) were  
278 included in both treatment groups. Therefore the results may not be generalizable to other  
279 practice settings. Second, data on vancomycin trough concentrations were not analyzed at the

280 central laboratory and local laboratory trough values are not available. However, based on  
281 adherence to the prespecified vancomycin dosing nomogram,. greater than 95% of patients had  
282 the correct dosing interval for this antibiotic, including those patients with renal impairment  
283 (creatinine clearance <75 mL/min), for whom the initial dosing interval was based on renal  
284 clearance. Third, vancomycin was used instead of a beta-lactam drug for MSSA when obtained  
285 from ABSSSI. Compared to vancomycin, beta-lactam drugs are likely a superior agent for  
286 MSSA. Fourth, leading edge biopsies and ASO titers were measured to determine GAS etiology  
287 of ABSSSI. These diagnostic methodologies are not specific for GAS and may overestimate the  
288 true frequency of GAS for ABSSSI.

289 In conclusion, in this Phase 3 study, iclaprim was non-inferior to vancomycin with  
290 respect to the early clinical response at an early time point in the treatment of ABSSSI caused or  
291 suspected to be caused by Gram-positive organisms. These results suggest iclaprim may serve as  
292 an alternative option for treatment of ABSSSI caused by Gram-positive pathogens, including  
293 drug-resistant bacteria. In hospitalized ABSSSI patients with co-morbidities such as renal  
294 impairment and/or diabetes, iclaprim may provide advantages over vancomycin due to the fixed  
295 dose regimen and absence of nephrotoxicity.

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407 Table 1: Key inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
Provision of informed consent	ABSSSI of the following categories: severely impaired arterial blood supply such that amputation of the infected anatomical site was likely, more than one abscess, infected diabetic foot ulcers, infected decubitus ulcers, infected human or animal bites, necrotizing fasciitis or gangrene, uncomplicated skin or skin structure infection, self-limiting infections
Evidence of systemic involvement as defined by having at least 1 of the following conditions within 24 hours of randomization considered to be pathogen-related:	Skin and/or skin structure infection that could be treated by surgery alone
Fever (>38°C/100.4°F orally, rectally, or tympanically)	Infections associated with a prosthetic device, and suspected or confirmed osteomyelitis or septic arthritis or endocarditis
Enlarged and/or tender proximal lymphadenopathy and/or lymphangitis	Known or suspected concurrent infection or conditions requiring systemic anti-microbial treatment, prophylaxis, or suppression therapy
Elevated total peripheral white blood cells (WBCs) >10,000/mm <sup>3</sup>	Known or suspected human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-infected patients with a cluster of differentiation (CD4) count <200 cells/mm <sup>3</sup> recorded in the last 30 - 60 days; absolute neutrophil count (ANC) <500 cells/mm <sup>3</sup> ; organ transplant within the preceding 6 months; requirement for corticosteroids >20 mg/day prednisolone or equivalent, or received corticosteroids >20 mg per day prednisolone or equivalent in the past 3 days
>10% immature neutrophils (bands) regardless of total peripheral WBC count	Cardiovascular conditions and treatments: patients known to have congenital or sporadic syndromes of QTcF prolongation; type I A or III anti-arrhythmic drugs; nonsustained ventricular tachycardia (NSVT) defined as >10 consecutive ventricular beats at a rate of >120 beats per minute (bpm) with a duration of <30 seconds, bradycardia (<40 bpm), and QT/QTcF interval outside the normal range defined as: QTcF >500 msec

Elevated C-reactive protein	Received more than one dose of a short-acting (i.e., q12h dosing or less) systemic antibiotic active against Gram-positive pathogens within the last 7 days, unless there was documented evidence of treatment failure or demonstrated resistance of Gram-positive pathogens to the prior antibiotic therapy.
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408 Table 2: Baseline and demographic characteristics among the ITT population by treatment

Characteristics	Iclaprim (n=295)	Vancomycin (n=305)
Age (yr), mean (SD) median	50.0 (15.65)	50.8 (15.03)
Gender, no. (%)		
Female	103 (34.9)	108 (35.4)
Male	192 (65.1)	197 (64.6)
Race, no. (%)		
White	267 (90.5)	276 (90.5)
Black	12 (4.1)	11 (3.6)
American Indian or Alaska Native	2 (0.7)	3 (1.0)
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1 (0.3)	3 (1.0)
Multi-racial	0	2 (0.7)
Other	13 (4.4)	10 (3.3)
Weight (kg), mean (SD)	84.2 (20.78)	85.5 (22.17)
Geographic region, no. (%)		
United States	200 (67.8)	205 (67.2)
Europe	84 (28.5)	94 (30.8)
Latin America	11 (3.7)	6 (2.0)
Severe Infections <sup>a</sup>	185 (62.7)	198 (64.9)
Lesion Type		
Major Cutaneous Abscess, no. (%)	53 (18.0)	45 (14.8)

Cellulitis / Erysipelas, no. (%)	115 (39.0)	125 (41.0)
Wound Infection, no. (%)	127 (43.1)	135 (44.3)
Mean lesion Size, cm <sup>2</sup> (SD)	372.3 (305.752)	357.00 (271.077)
Comorbidities, no. (%)		
Diabetes	36 (12.2)	36 (11.8)
Renal Impairment, CrCL (ml/min)		
60-89	35 (12.0)	53 (17.9)
30-59	17(5.8)	13 (4.4)
<=29	2 (0.7)	2(0.7)
Illicit drug use	144 (48.8)	160 (52.5)
Fever (oral temperature >38°C/100.4°F), no. (%)	80 (27.1)	80 (26.2)
Leukocytes (per mm <sup>3</sup> ), mean (SD) median (min, max)	9.5 (3.4) 9.2 (1.7, 22.2)	9.4 (3.8) 8.4 (2.9, 23.1)
Baseline microbiology, no. (%)		
Exclusively Gram-positive pathogens	170 (89.5)	167 (86.1)
Mixed Gram-positive and Gram-negative	20 (10.5)	27 (13.9)
Concomitant aztreonam use, no. (%)	13 (4.4)	20 (6.6)
Concomitant metronidazole use, no. (%)	9 (3.1)	11 (3.6)

409 <sup>a</sup>Severe infections defined as an infection at baseline with one or more of the following criteria:  
410 fulfilled the published definition for systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS) by  
411 having  $\geq 2$  of the following findings: body temperature  $>38^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $<36^{\circ}\text{C}$ , heart rate  $>90$  bpm,  
412 respiration rate  $>20$  breaths/minute, and WBC  $>12000/\text{mm}^3$  or  $<4000/\text{mm}^3$  or  $>10\%$  bands;



413 evaluated as having severe tenderness or severe erythema at the infection site; and/or Positive  
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429 Table 3: Microbiological characteristics at study entry for the ITT population by treatment

Pathogen	Iclaprim (n=295)	Vancomycin <sup>430</sup> (n=305)
Positive ABSSSI Culture	199 (72.9)	214 (73.5) <sup>431</sup>
Staphylococcus aureus		<sup>432</sup>
MRSA	69 (23.4)	69 (22.6) <sup>433</sup>
MSSA	60 (20.3)	60 (19.7) <sup>434</sup>
Beta-hemolytic Streptococci	76 (26.1)	93 (28.6)
Positive Blood Culture at Baseline, no. (%) <sup>a</sup>	7/274 (2.6)	13/283 (4.6) <sup>435</sup>
Infection Site Pathogen, no. (%)		<sup>436</sup>
Multiple	21 (11.0)	26 (13.4) <sup>437</sup>
Single	149 (78.4)	141 (72.7) <sup>438</sup>

439 <sup>a</sup> In the iclaprim group, there were *S. aureus* (N=2), *S. epidermidis* (N=2), and 1 each of *S.*  
440 *agalactiae*, *S. dysagalactiae*, and *Micrococcus luteus*. In the vancomycin group, there were *S.*  
441 *aureus* (N=3), and 1 each of *S. epidermidis*, *S. hominis*, *S. massiliensis*, *S. anginosus*, *S.*  
442 *salivarius*, *Bacillus* spp (non-anthraxis), *Atopobium parvulum*, as well as 1 patient with both *S.*  
443 *aureus* and *S. salivarius*, and 1 patient with both *S. epidermidis* and *M. luteus*.

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447 Table 4: Clinical responses for primary endpoint and secondary analyses in the ITT population  
 448 by treatment

Clinical Responses	Iclaprim (n=295)	Vancomycin (n=305)	Treatment Difference (%; 95% Confidence Interval)
Primary Endpoint			
Early Clinical Response (ECR) at Early Time Point (ETP) in ITT, no. (%) - Total	231 (78.3)	234 (76.7%)	1.58 (-5.10, 8.26)
Early Clinical Response (ECR) at Early Time Point (ETP) in ITT, no. (%) - US	173/200 (86.5)	164/205 (80.0)	6.50 (-3.35, 16.14)
Early Clinical Response (ECR) at Early Time Point (ETP) in ITT, no. (%) – EU and LA	58/95 (61.1)	70/100 (70.0)	-8.9 (-24.02, 5.11)
Secondary Analyses			
ECR at ETP among major cutaneous abscess, no. (%)	45 (84.9)	40 (88.9)	-3.98 (-17.29, 9.33)
ECR at ETP among cellulitis / erysipelas, no. (%)	81 (70.4)	91 (72.8)	-2.37 (-13.79, 9.05)
ECR at ETP among wound infections, no. (%)	105 (82.7)	103 (76.3)	6.38 (-3.35, 16.12)
ECR at ETP among MRSA infected, no./total no. (%)	61/69 (88.4)	53/69 (76.8)	11.59 (-5.80, 28.48)

ECR at ETP among MSSA infected, no./total no. (%)	50/60 (83.3)	51/60 (85.0)	-1.67 (-20.15, 16.90)
ECR at ETP among <i>S. pyogenes</i> infected, no./total no. (%)	64/76 (84.2)	74/93 (79.6)	4.6 (-4.29, 11.07)
ECR at ETP among diabetics, no./total no. (%)	26/36 (72.2)	29/36 (80.6)	-8.33 (-31.95, 15.99)
ECR at ETP among mild renal impairment (creatinine clearance 60-89 ml/min), no./total no. (%)	27/35 (77.1)	39/53 (73.6)	3.56 (-17.38, 24.72)
ECR at ETP among moderate and severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance <60 ml/min) , no./total no. (%)	13/19 (68.4)	11/15 (73.3)	-12.2 (-45.42, 24.19)
Clinical cure at TOC, no. (%)	229 (77.6%)	237 (77.7%)	-0.08 (-6.74, 6.59)
Modified clinical cure <sup>a</sup> at TOC, no. (%)	211 (71.5%)	215 (70.5%)	1.03% (-6.23 to 8.29)

449 <sup>a</sup>Modified clinical cure defined as a  $\geq 90\%$  reduction in lesion size compared to baseline, no  
450 increase in lesion size since ETP, and no requirement for additional antibiotics (except  
451 aztreonam or metronidazole) or unplanned significant surgical procedures after ETP.

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455 Table 5: Safety Parameters by Treatment

Category	Iclaprim (N=299)	Vancomycin (N=302)
Any drug-related TEAE <sup>a</sup> , no. (%)	140 (46.8%)	133 (44.0%)
Study drug related TEAE, no. (%)	42 (14.0%)	39 (12.9%)
TEAE leading to discontinuation of study drug, no. (%)	16 (5.4%)	17 (5.6%)
TEAE related SAEs <sup>a</sup> , no. (%)	14 (4.7%)	12 (4.0%)
Mean QTcF prolongation, msec (SD)	9.9 (14.6)	3.8 (16.3)
Mean serum creatinine change from baseline to TOC, umol/L (SD)	0.7 (18.0)	7.7 (39.8)
Mean serum creatinine change from baseline to TOC, mg/dL (SD)	0.008 (0.20)	0.09 (0.45)
Nephrotoxicity	0	2 (0.7)
Deaths, no. (%)	0	1 (0.3)
TEAE by system organ class, no. (%)		
Nausea	17 (5.7)	17 (5.6)
Infusion site extravasation	13 (4.3)	12 (4.0)
Hypokalemia	6 (2.0)	11 (3.6)
Diarrhea	8 (2.7)	11 (3.6)
Vomiting	7 (2.3)	7 (2.3)
Pyrexia	7 (2.3)	5 (1.7)
Hypertension	7 (2.3)	5 (1.7)

Headache	7 (2.3)	13 (4.3)
Anemia	6 (2.0)	6 (2.0)
Increased AST <sup>b</sup>	6 (2.0)	5 (1.7)
Increased ALT <sup>b</sup>	5 (1.7)	7 (2.3)
Pruritis	2 (0.7)	7 (2.3)

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457 Note: The order of the TEAE by system organ class was listed in the order of most frequent (top)  
 458 to least frequent (bottom) for iclaprim.

459 <sup>a</sup>Abbreviations: TEAE, treatment emergent adverse events; SAE, severe adverse event; ALT,  
 460 Alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase

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## Figure Legend

471 Figure 1: Schedule of visits. Abbreviations: IV, intravenous; ECR, early clinical response; ETP,

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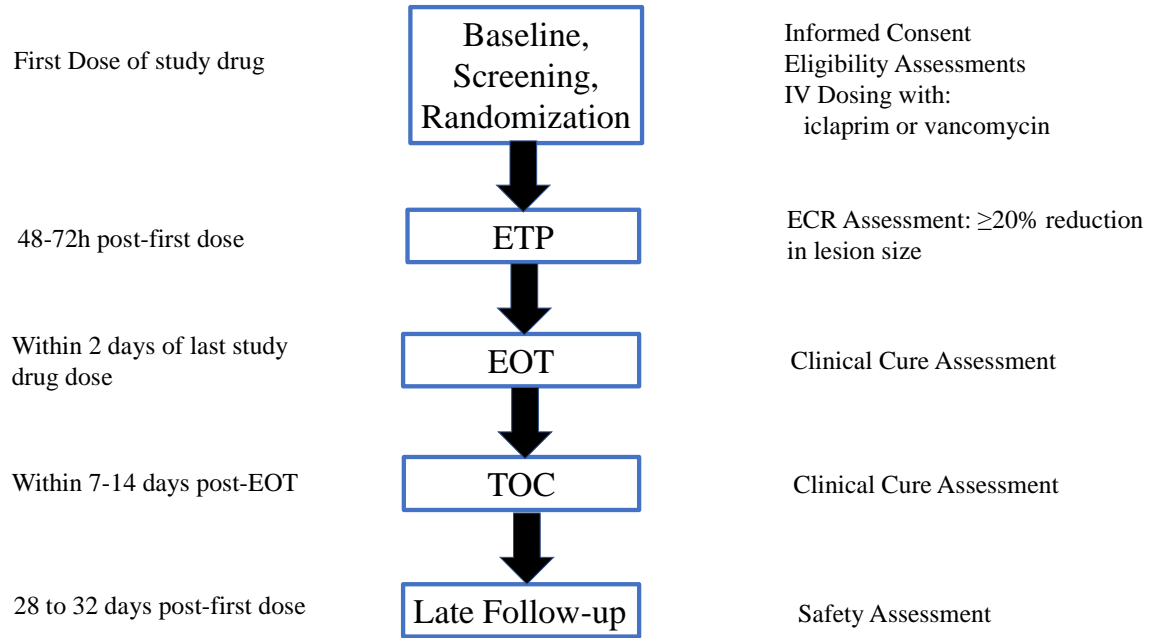
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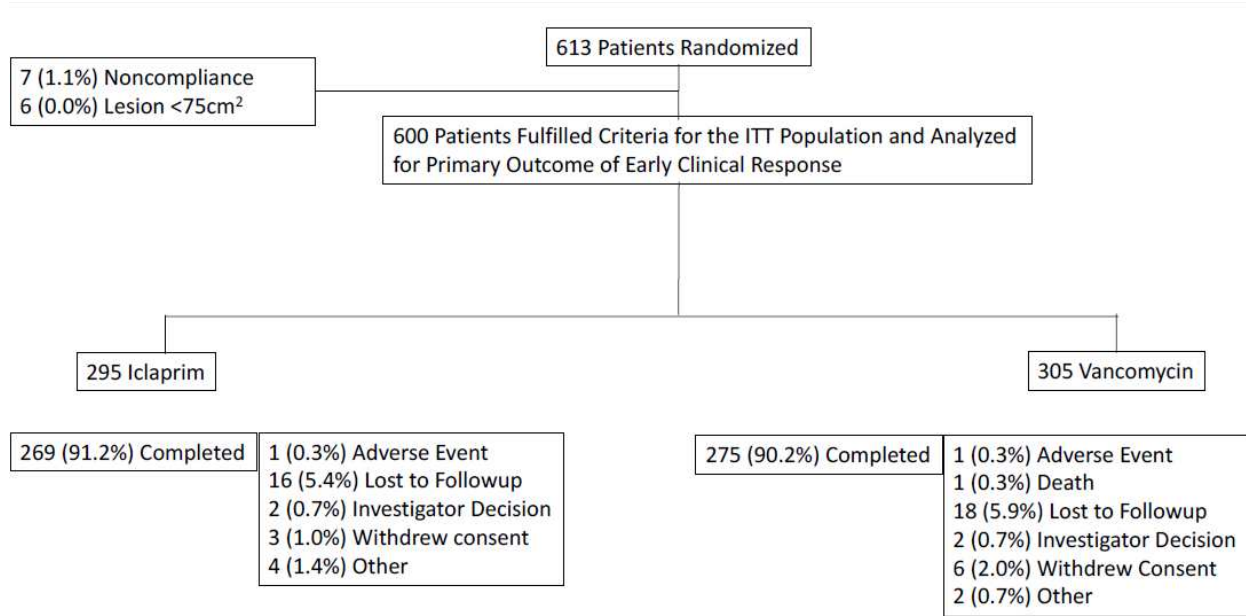
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