

Indirect Treatment Comparison of Oral Sebetralstat and Intravenous rhC1-INH as On-demand Treatments for Hereditary Angioedema

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Background

- Hereditary angioedema (or HAE) attacks are unpredictable, and all on-demand therapies are meant to quickly stop the progression/halt the attack
- Sebetralstat, an investigational oral on-demand plasma kallikrein inhibitor, demonstrated efficacy and safety in the phase 3 randomized, placebo-controlled KONFIDENT trial, in which the primary endpoint, time to beginning of symptom relief, was measured using the Patient Global Impression of Change (PGI-C) scale¹
- Substantial heterogeneity across hereditary angioedema (HAE) trial designs and endpoints make indirect treatment comparisons (ITCs) challenging
- This ITC was conducted to evaluate sebetralstat versus other approved therapies as an on-demand treatment for HAE attacks

Methods

SLR and ITC feasibility assessment

- A systematic literature review (SLR) was performed using National Institute for Health and Care Excellence guidelines methodology²; data selection adhered to Centre for Reviews and Dissemination guidelines³ and Cochrane methodology⁴
- A feasibility assessment was conducted to determine which trials identified in the SLR met the criteria for inclusion in the ITC

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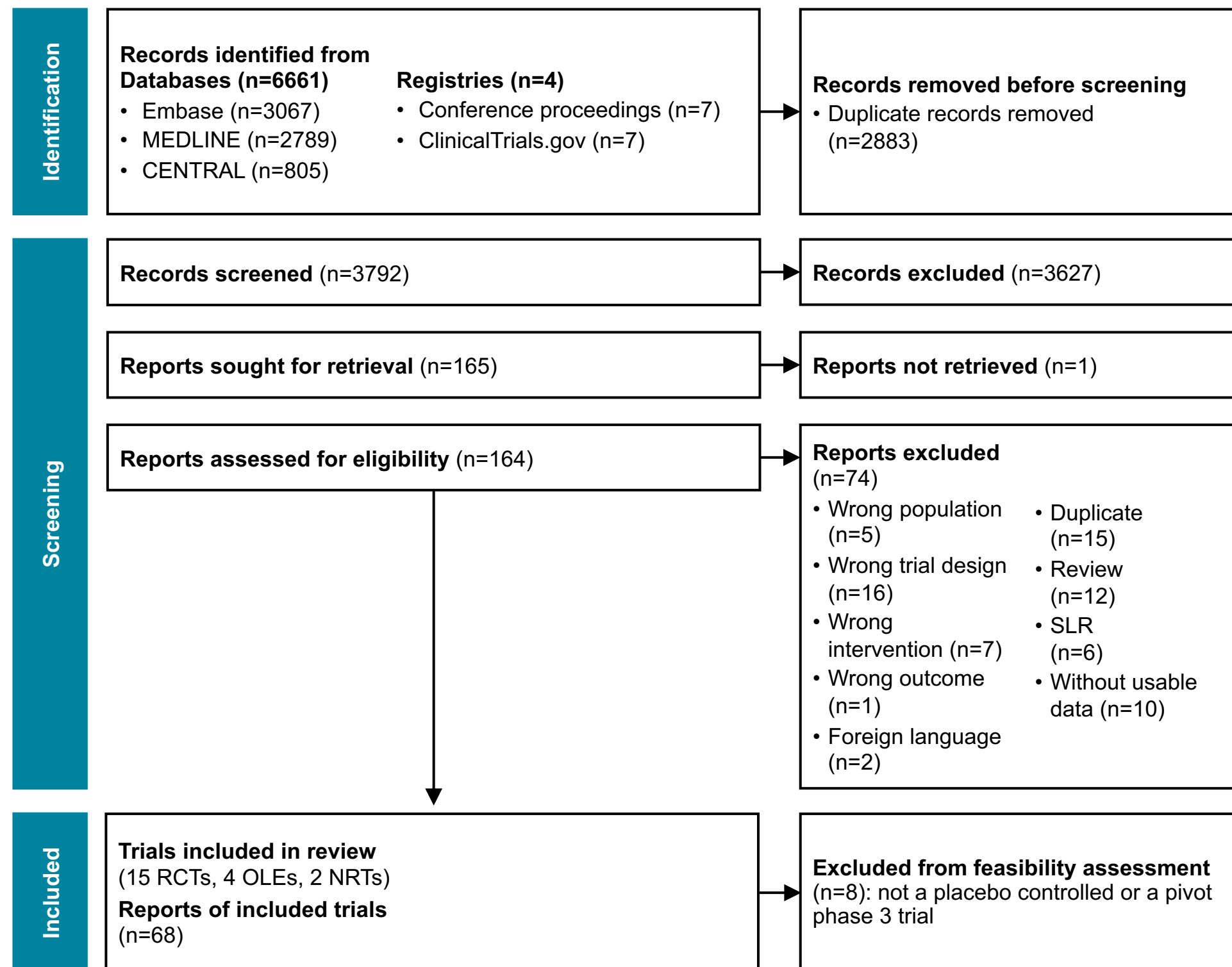
- Based on available data, Bayesian fixed-effects network meta-analyses (NMAs) were conducted to indirectly compare the efficacy and safety of oral sebetralstat 300 mg (NCT05259917)¹ and intravenous (IV) recombinant human C1 esterase inhibitor (rhC1-INH) 50 IU/kg (NCT01188564, NCT00225147, NCT00262301)^{5,6}
- For the efficacy analysis, fixed-effects NMAs with inverse variance weights were applied to obtain single hazard ratios (HRs) from two stratifications (region: US and non-US, sex: female and male)
- Sensitivity analyses were undertaken with random-effects models
- HRs were used for efficacy and odds ratios were used to assess safety
- A matching-adjusted indirect comparison (MAIC) was performed to adjust for differences in baseline severity and patient demographics

Results

SLR and feasibility assessment

- A total of 68 reports summarizing data from 15 randomized controlled trials, 4 open-label extensions, and 2 non-randomized trials were identified (Figure 1)
- The majority of trials were excluded due to differences in trial design (Table 1)

Figure 1. PRISMA flow diagram of reports identified in the SLR



NRT: non-randomized trial; OLE: open-label extension; PRISMA: Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic reviews and Meta-Analyses; RCT: randomized controlled trial; SLR: systematic literature review.

Table 1. Overview of feasibility assessment

Intervention	Trial name	Primary endpoint	Primary endpoint measure	Treatment-related TEAEs reported	Primary endpoint follow-up time, hr	KM curve reported	HR reported
Sebetralstat ^{4,1}	KONFIDENT	Time to beginning of symptom relief	PGI-C	Yes	12	Yes	Yes
Ruconest ^{6,7}	C1-1310	Time to onset of sustained relief	TEQ	Yes	24	Yes	Yes
Ruconest ⁶	Pooled (C1-1304-01 and C1-1205-01)	Time to beginning of symptom relief	VAS	Yes	24	Yes	Yes
Beriner ⁸	IMPACT 1	Time to onset of symptom relief	Patient-directed question ⁸	No	24	Yes	No
Ecallantide ⁹	EDEMA3	Median TOS 4 h after dosing	TOS	No	4	Yes	No
Ecallantide ¹⁰	EDEMA4	Change from baseline in MSCS score 4 h after dosing	MSCS	No	4	No	No
Icatibant ¹¹	FAST-1 ^c	Median time to clinically significant relief of the index symptom	VAS-3	No	12–15	No	No
Icatibant ¹²	FAST-3	Time to 50% reduction in symptom severity	VAS-3	No	12	No	No
C1-INH-nf ³	Two RCTs	Time to onset of unequivocal symptom relief at the defining site (site of the most severe symptoms)	Symptom relief score	No	4	No	Yes ^d

^aTrials included in the ITC. ^bNo description of questions used for the outcome measure was reported in the publication. ^cThe FAST-2 trial was not included because there was no placebo arm. ^dReported as an "estimated success rate ratio". HR: hazard ratio; ITC: indirect treatment comparison; KM: Kaplan-Meier; MSCS: Mean Symptom Complex Severity Score; NR: not reported; PGI-C: Patient Global Impression of Change; RCT: randomized controlled trial; TEAE: treatment-emergent adverse event; TEQ: Treatment Effect Questionnaire; TOS: Treatment Outcome Score; VAS: Visual Analog Scale; VAS-3: 3-symptom composite VAS score (mean of scores for skin swelling, skin pain, and abdominal pain).

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Results

- Only one pivotal trial reported relevant data on a comparable efficacy endpoint (time to beginning of symptom relief) for an ITC with KONFIDENT: the C1-1310 (NCT01188564) trial of IV rhC1-INH 50 IU/kg⁵
- Publications on C1-1310 and from a pooled analysis of C1-1205-01 (NCT00225147) and C1-1304-01 (NCT00262301), which also included patients treated with IV rhC1-INH 50 IU/kg,⁶ reported comparable safety outcomes to enable ITCs with sebetralstat¹
- There were several differences between trial designs, including the following:
 - In KONFIDENT, patients with any attack severity were instructed to self-administer oral sebetralstat as early as possible after attack onset, whereas patients in the IV rhC1-INH trials were required to report to the clinic within 5 hours of attack onset once an attack progressed to a Visual Analog Scale (0-100 mm) score of ≥ 50 mm^{1,5,6}
 - Time to beginning of symptom relief was measured using the PGI-C scale¹⁴ within 12 hours of attack onset in KONFIDENT and the Treatment Effect Questionnaire (TEQ), which used similar questions as the PGI-C, within 24 hours of attack onset in C1-1310^{1,5}

Table 2. Baseline characteristics of patients in the clinical trials included in the ITCs^a

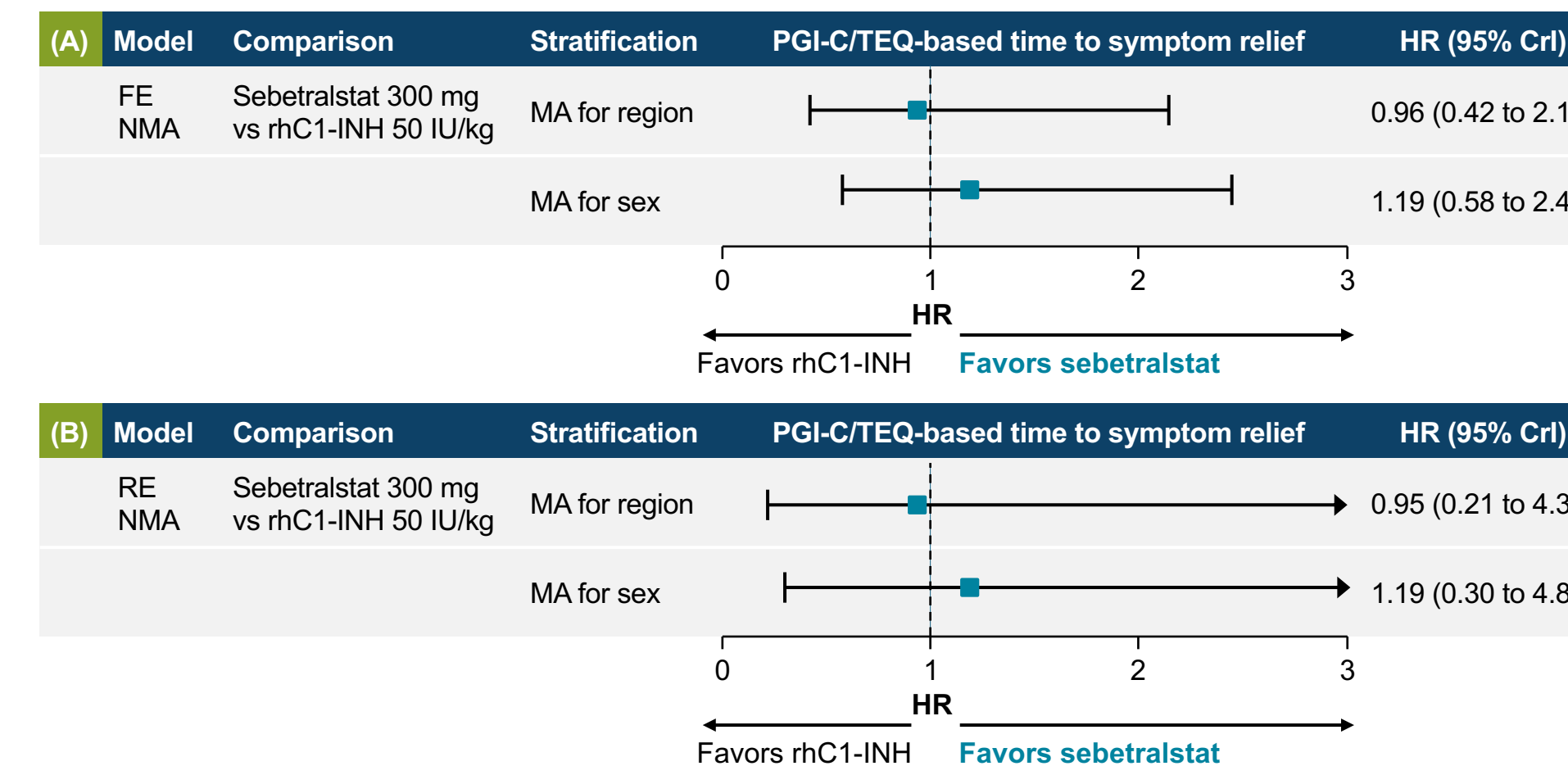
	KONFIDENT ¹		C1-1310 ⁵		C1-1205-01/C1-1304-01 ⁶		
	Oral sebetralstat 300 mg (n=87)	Oral placebo (n=84)	IV rhC1-INH 50 IU/kg (n=44)	IV placebo (n=31)	IV rhC1-INH 50 IU/kg (n=12) ^b	IV placebo (n=13) ^b	IV placebo (n=16) ^c
White, n (%)	73 (84)	73 (87)	42 (95)	30 (97)	12 (100)	11 (85)	16 (100)
Female, n (%)	54 (62)	55 (65)	28 (64)	19 (61)	8 (67)	12 (92)	9 (56)
Age, y							
Mean (SD)	NR	NR	39.4 (12.59)	41.4 (15.38)	40.7 (12.2)	32.4 (11.3)	44.5 (16.8)
Median (IQR)	37.0 (25.0–49.0)	38.0 (25.0–49.0)	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Use of prophylactic treatment, n (%)	19 (21)	18 (22)	22 (50)	15 (48)	NR	NR	NR
Baseline severity, n (%)							
None	0	2 (2)	—	—	—	—	—
Mild	36 (41)	36 (43)	—	—	—	—	—
Moderate	35 (40)	33 (39)	—	—	—	—	—
Severe	12 (14)	10 (12)	44 (100) ^d	31 (100) ^e	12 (100) ^f	31 (100) ^g	16 (100) ^h
Very severe	2 (2)	3 (4)	—	—	—	—	—
Missing	2 (2)	0	—	—	—	—	—

^aKONFIDENT and C1-1310 were included in the ITC of efficacy (time to beginning of symptom relief). Data from KONFIDENT, C1-1310, and a pooled analysis of C1-1205-01 and C1-1304-01 were included in the ITC of safety (incidence of treatment-related treatment-emergent adverse events). ^bData from C1-1205-01. ^cData from C1-1304-01. ^dMean (range) VAS score at BL for primary attack site was 73.5 mm (50–100 mm). ^eMean (range) VAS score at BL for primary attack site was 77.3 mm (49–100 mm). ^fMean (range) VAS score at BL for most serious site in placebo arm was 80.2 mm (49–100 mm). ^gBL, baseline; IQR: interquartile range; ITC: indirect treatment comparison; IV: intravenous; NR: not reported; rhC1-INH: recombinant human C1 esterase inhibitor; SD: standard deviation; VAS: visual analog scale.

NMA: Efficacy

- The fixed-effects NMA model found no significant difference in the time to beginning of symptom relief between oral sebetralstat and IV rhC1-INH (Figure 2A)
- The sensitivity analyses yielded consistent results (Figure 2B)

Figure 2. Time to beginning of symptom relief per (A) fixed-effects (base case) and (B) random-effects (sensitivity analysis) models

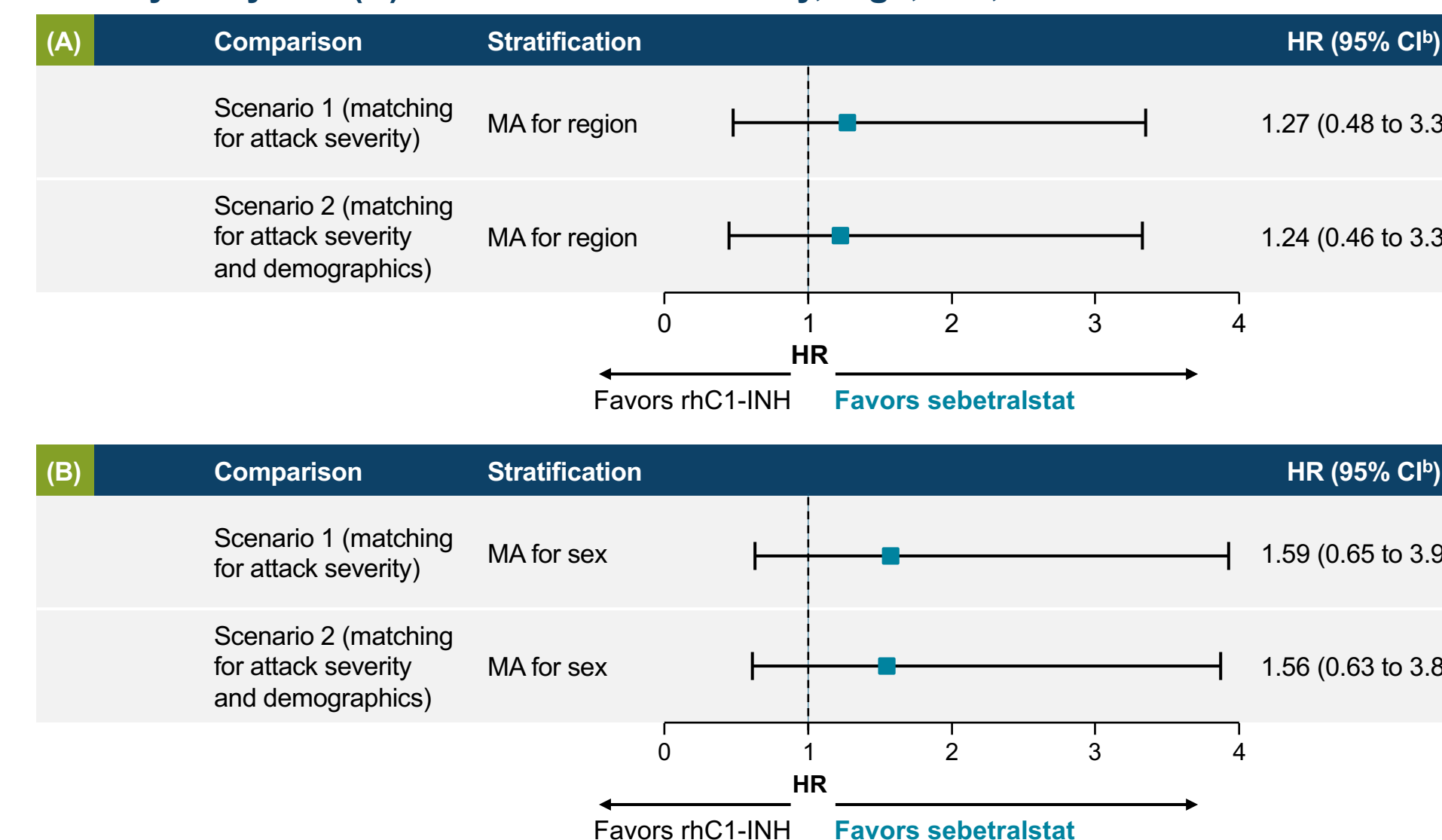


HR values >1 favor oral sebetralstat over IV rhC1-INH. In KONFIDENT, time to beginning of symptom relief was defined as a rating of at least "A Little Better" at ≥ 2 consecutive time points within 12 hours per the PGI-C scale, and in the rhC1-INH trial time to onset of sustained relief was defined as a rating of "A Little Better," "Better," or "Much Better," decrease in the intensity of attack symptoms, and persistence of improvement at the next assessment with 24-hour follow-up per the TEQ. CI: confidence interval; FE: fixed effects; HR: hazard ratio; IV: intravenous; MA: meta-analysis; NMA: network meta-analysis; PGI-C: Patient Global Impression of Change; RE: random effects; rhC1-INH: recombinant human C1 esterase inhibitor; TEQ: Treatment Effect Questionnaire.

MAIC: Efficacy

- No significant difference in the time to beginning of symptom relief between oral sebetralstat and IV rhC1-INH was found after MAIC
 - After matching for baseline attack severity, the time to beginning of symptom relief numerically favored oral sebetralstat over IV rhC1-INH based on meta-analyses of hazard ratios for region and sex (Figure 3A)
 - After matching for baseline attack severity and patient demographics (age, sex, and race), the results did not appreciably change (Figure 3B)

Figure 3. Time to beginning of symptom relief matched for (A) baseline attack severity^a only and (B) baseline attack severity,^a age, sex, and race



^aBaseline attack severity was defined as the maximum of 3 baseline overall severity VAS scores. ^bHR values >1 favor oral sebetralstat over IV rhC1-INH. CI: confidence interval; HR: hazard ratio; IV: intravenous; MA: meta-analysis; MAIC: matching-adjusted indirect comparison; rhC1-INH: recombinant human C1 esterase inhibitor; VAS: Visual Analog Scale.

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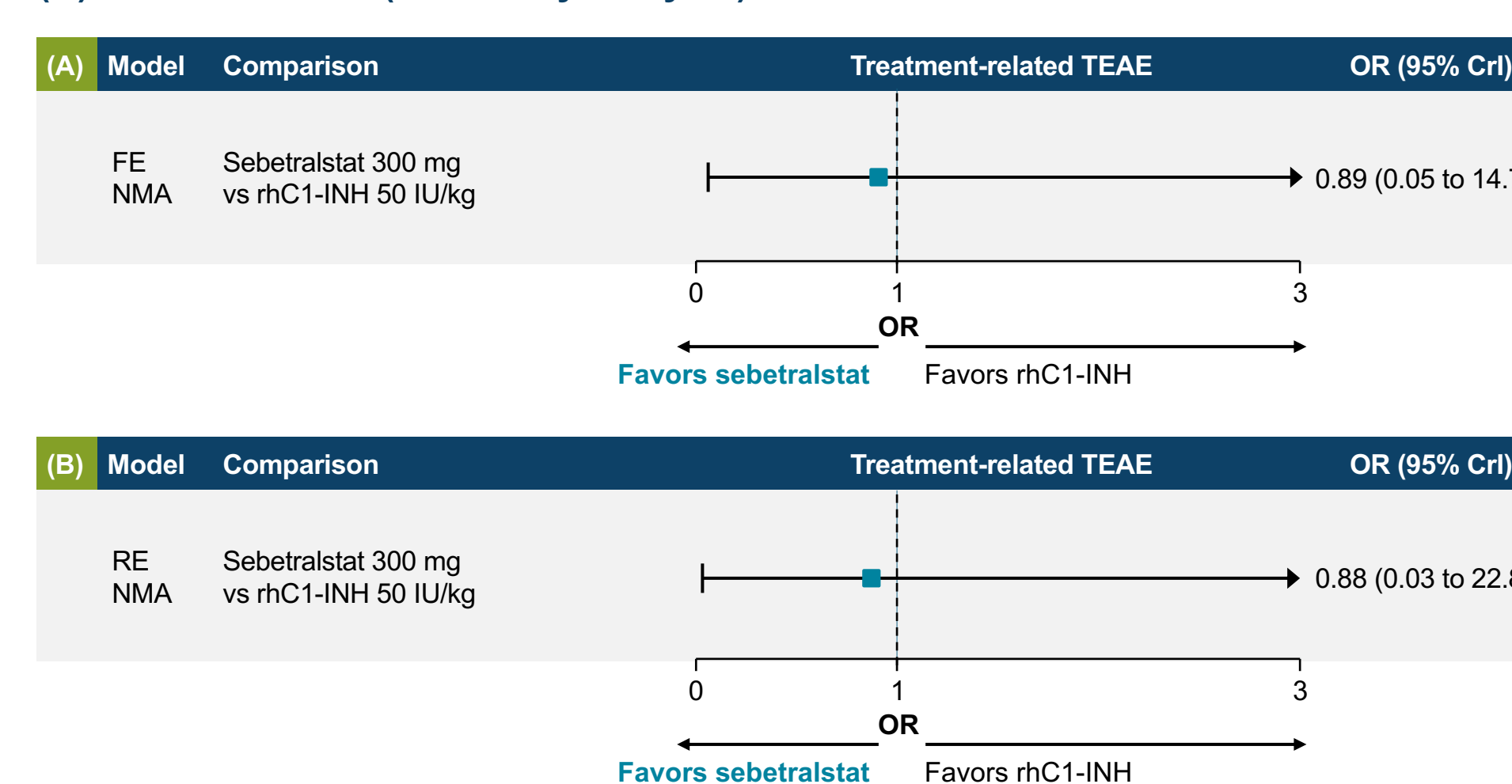
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NMA: Safety

- The fixed-effects NMA model found no significant differences of treatment-related treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) (Figure 4)
 - Injection site reactions were not included in the published literature

Figure 4. Treatment-related TEAEs per (A) fixed-effects (base case) and (B) random-effects (sensitivity analysis) models



OR values <1 favor oral sebetralstat over IV rhC1-INH. CI: confidence interval; FE: fixed effects; IV: intravenous; NMA: network meta-analysis; OR: odds ratio; RE: random effects; rhC1-INH: recombinant human C1 esterase inhibitor; TEAE: treatment-emergent adverse event.

Limitations

- Despite the careful feasibility assessment, several differences noted in this ITC between the designs of the trials may have affected these results

Conclusions

- Despite differences in routes of administration, mechanisms of action, and trial designs, this ITC found no significant differences in either efficacy between oral sebetralstat and IV rhC1-INH for the on-demand treatment of attacks
- There were no apparent differences in safety between oral sebetralstat and IV rhC1-INH (excluding injection site reactions)

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