

REVERSE-IT:

Effect of Bentracimab on Platelet Inhibition and Hemostasis in Patients on Ticagrelor with Major Bleeding or Requiring Urgent Procedures

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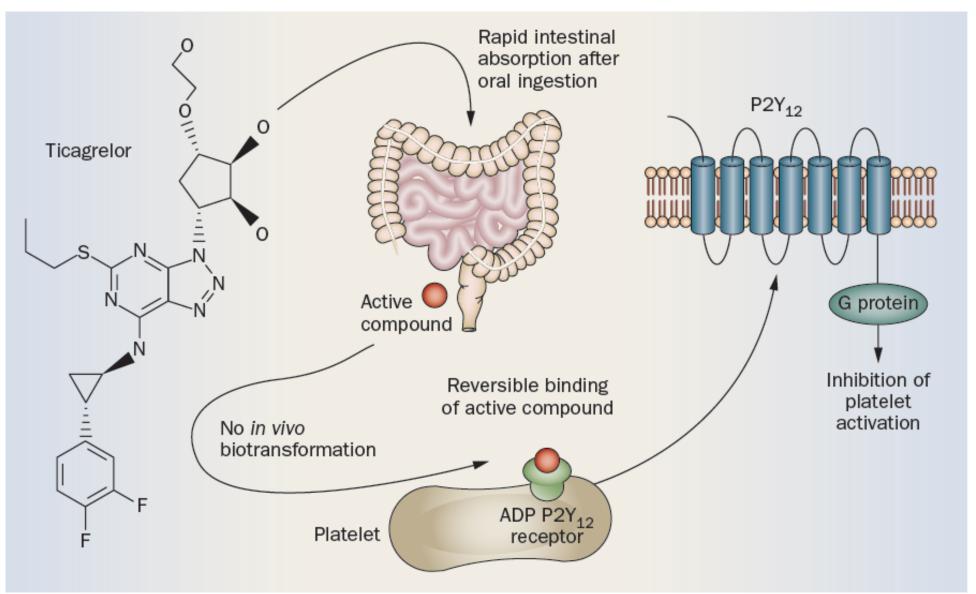
Ticagrelor: Substantial Data, with Broad Label

- Ticagrelor is an oral P2Y₁₂ inhibitor that is effective (and FDA-approved) in patients with acute coronary syndromes, prior myocardial infarction, high-risk coronary artery disease, transient ischemic attack, and stroke, based on PLATO,^{1,2} PEGASUS,^{3,4} THEMIS,^{5,6} THEMIS-PCI,^{5,7} and THALES.⁸
- As with other antiplatelet drugs, spontaneous major bleeding and bleeding associated with urgent or emergent invasive procedures are concerns.
- The antiplatelet effects of ticagrelor cannot be reversed with platelet transfusion. Therefore, a rapid-acting reversal agent would be useful.

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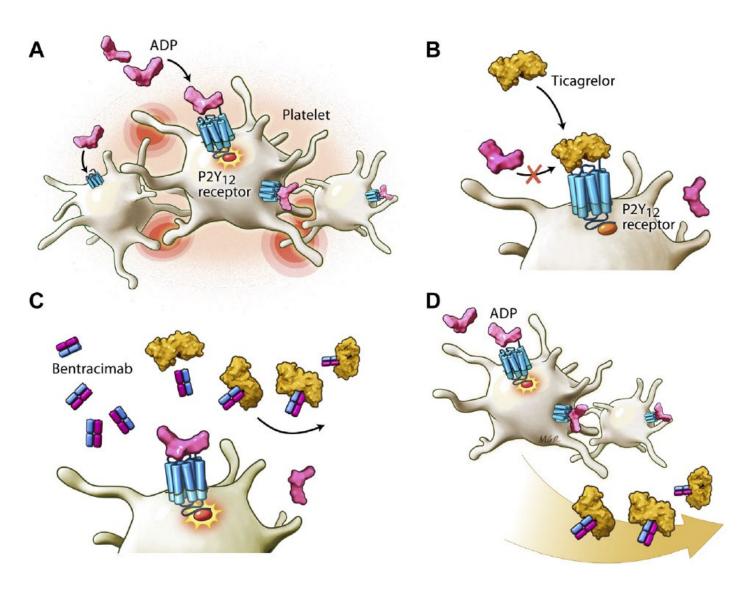
Ticagrelor: Reversible Mechanism of Action



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Bentracimab: An Intravenous Monoclonal Antibody



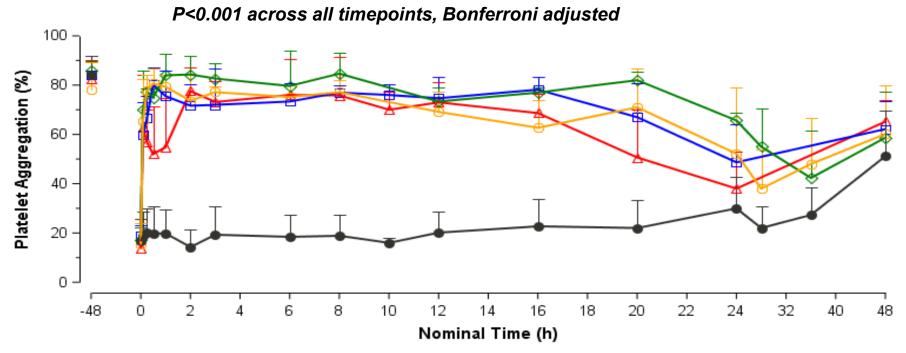
The P2Y12 receptor is activated by adenosine diphosphate (ADP) (A).

On platelets, ticagrelor reversibly binds to the P2Y12 receptor. This induces a conformational change which prevents ADP from signaling through to the P2Y12 receptor, inhibiting platelet activation (B).

Bentracimab is a recombinant human IgG1 monoclonal antibody fragment which binds to free ticagrelor with high affinity and specificity. This allows ADP to activate platelets while the bentracimab:ticagrelor complex is eliminated from the bloodstream (C and D).



Immediate Onset and Sustained Duration of Ticagrelor Reversal Using Bentracimab (formerly PB2452)



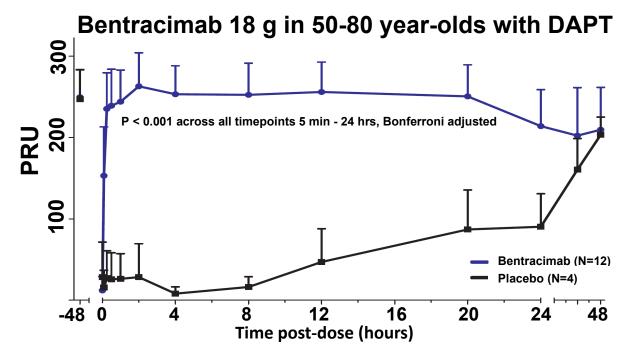
P values by timepoint for each cohort

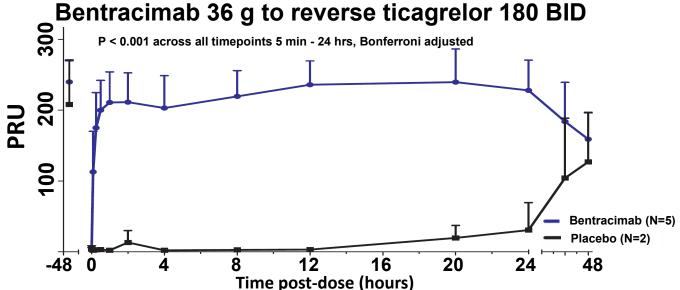
Cohort	5min	0.25h	0.5h	1h	2h	3h	6h	8h	10h	12h	16h	20h
7	0.040	0.040	0.131	0.037	0.040	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.152	0.019	0.019	0.224
8	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.152	0.019	0.019	0.019
10	0.043	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.020	N/A	0.020	0.020	0.020

Due to the small sample size for cohort 9 (n=3), statistical testing was not performed. For Cohorts 9 and 10, no 10-hour timepoint was collected. P-values for time point 24 hours or above are not significant.

- Immediate and sustained ticagrelor reversal with bolus + prolonged infusion of 18 g bentracimab.
- 2. Significant reversal was observed 5 minutes after initiation of bentracimab infusion.
- 3. Duration of reversal was infusion-time dependent, lasting 20-24 hours with a 16-hour infusion.

Bentracimab Phase 2A Data



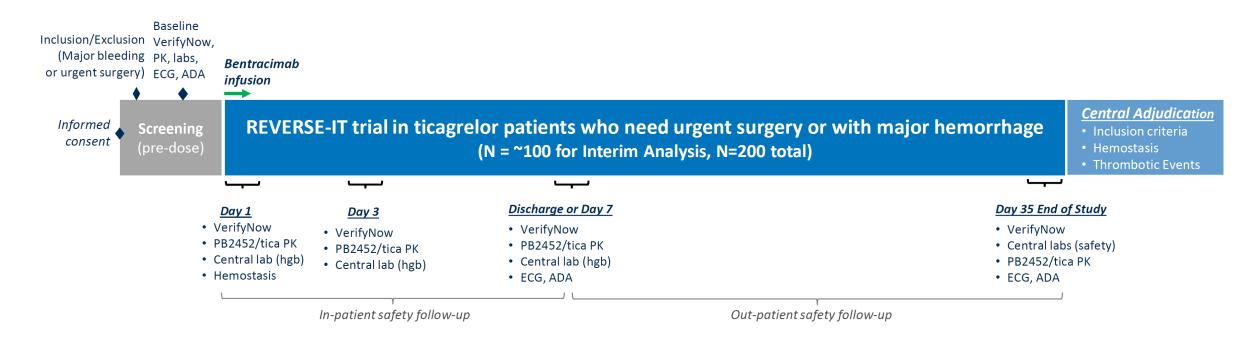


All Treatment Emergent Adverse Events

Adverse Events	PBO (N=6)	Bentracimab (N=17)
Any AE – no.	13	20
Subjects with AE – no. (%)	5 (83%)	10 (59%)
Dry mouth	1	0
Infrequent bowel movements	1	0
Nausea	1	1
Feeling hot (r)	0	2
Infusion site bruising	1	0
Infusion site erythema	1	0
Infusion site extravasation	0	1
Vessel puncture site bruise	1	4
Bronchitis	0	1
Folliculitis	0	1
Arthropod sting	1	0
Contusion	0	1
ECG T wave inversion (SAE)	0	1
Back pain	1	1
Muscle twitching	0	1
Pain in extremity	0	1
Dizziness (r)	2	1
Dyspnea (r)	0	2
Blood blister	1	0
Macule	0	1
Pruritus	0	1



REVERSE-IT: Enrollment and Study Flowchart



REVERSE-IT Study Design

Multicenter, open-label, prospective single-arm study of reversal of the antiplatelet effects of ticagrelor with bentracimab in at least 200 patients who present with uncontrolled major or life-threatening bleeding or who require urgent surgery or invasive procedures. Enrollment is ongoing in North America and Europe. Patients with use of ticagrelor within the prior 3 days who require urgent ticagrelor reversal are eligible for enrollment. Bentracimab was granted Breakthrough Therapy designation by the FDA and PRIME (priority medicines) designation by the European Medicines Agency, and in consultation with them, we performed this prespecified, interim analysis to support a BLA submission for an accelerated (conditional) approval.



REVERSE-IT: Endpoints

Primary Reversal Endpoint

The minimum % inhibition of PRU within 4 hours of bentracimab initiation as assessed by the Verify Now™ PRUTest™ platelet function assay

Primary Hemostasis Endpoint (Will be Centrally Adjudicated)

Achievement of effective hemostasis within 24 hours after start of PB2452 infusion assessed in each population separately and then pooled for primary endpoint analysis:

- Uncontrolled major bleeding: Assessed using prespecified criteria for effective hemostasis for visible and non-visible major bleeding adapted from (Connolly, 2016)
- **Urgent surgery or invasive procedure:** Assessed using prespecified criteria for effective hemostasis derived from GUSTO clinical bleeding scale (GUSTO, 1993)

REVERSE-IT

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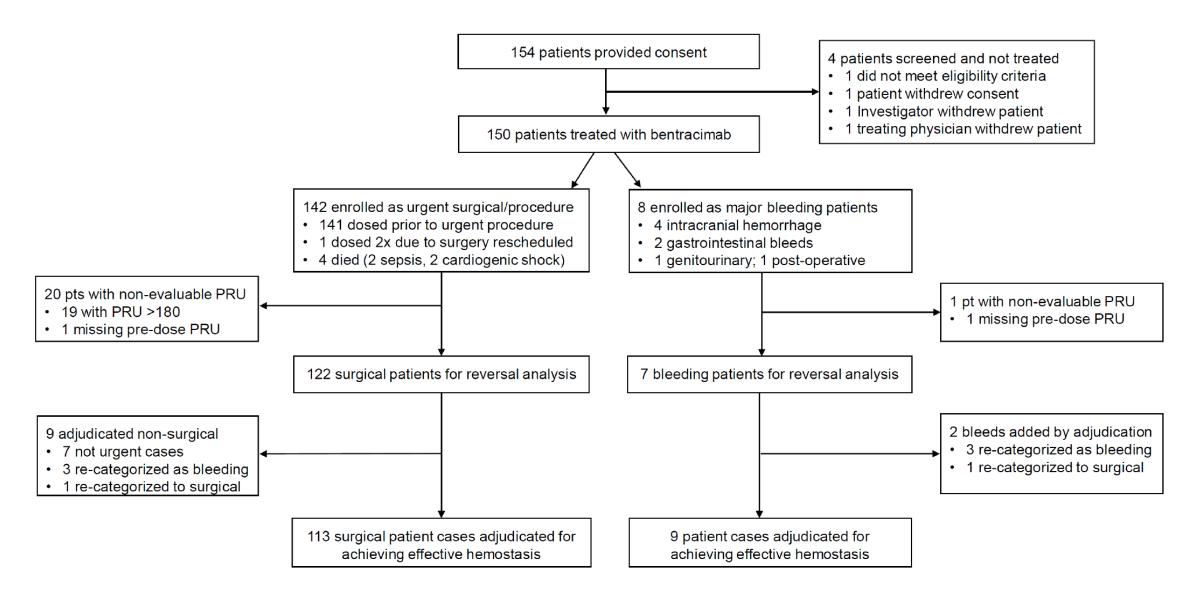
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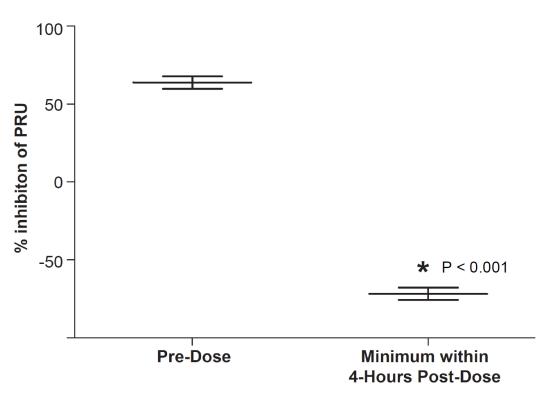
REVERSE-IT: Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	Surgical (N=142)	Bleeding (N=8)	Total (N=150)
Age (years), Mean (SD)	64.8 (10.46)	67.0 (13.40)	65.0 (10.59)
Sex, n (%) Male Female	112 (78.9) 30 (21.1)	4 (50.0) 4 (50.0)	116 (77.3) 34 (22.8)
Weight (kg), Mean (SD) Height (cm), Mean (SD) BMI (kg/m²), Mean (SD)	85.2 (19.33) 170 (8.62) 29.1 (6.21)	76.9 (29.72) 169 (11.69) 27.8 (11.46)	84.8 (19.87) 171 (8.75) 29.1 (6.49)
Ethnicity, n (%) Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino	1 (0.7) 141 (99.3)	2 (25.0) 6 (75.0)	3 (2.0) 147 (98.0)
Race, n (%) White Black or African American Asian American Indian or Alaskan Other	118 (83.1) 5 (3.5) 16 (11.3) 1 (0.7) 2 (1.4)	7 (87.5) 1 (12.5) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0)	125 (83.3) 6 (4.0) 16 (10.7) 1 (0.7) 2 (1.3)
Hypertension Diabetes Myocardial infarction Baseline eGFR (MDRD)	114 (80.3) 57 (40.1) 118 (83.1)	6 (75.0) 2 (25.0) 4 (50.0)	120 (80.0) 59 (39.3) 122 (81.3)
eGFR < 60, n (%)	32 (22.5)	0 (0)	32 (21.3)
Time from last ticagrelor, n (%) 0-1 days 2 days 3 days	100 (70.4) 29 (20.4) 13 (9.2)	7 (87.5) 1 (12.5) 0 (0)	107 (71.3) 30 (20.0) 13 (8.7)

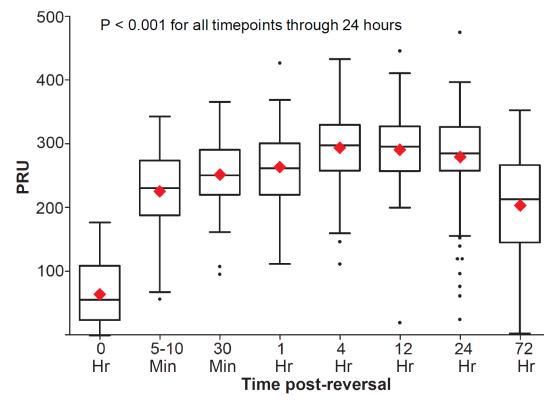


REVERSE-IT: Platelet Function Tests

Percent Inhibition of PRU



PRU Analysis of Reversal

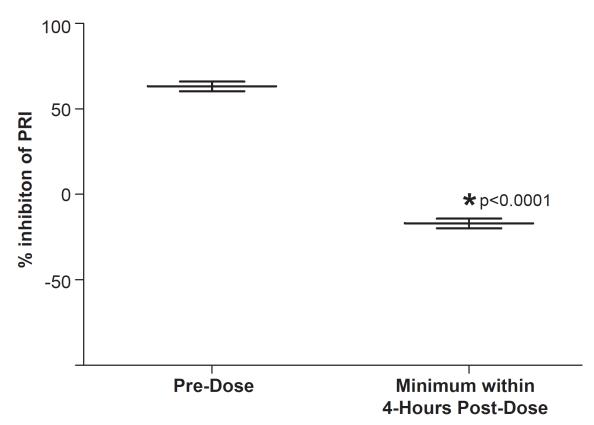


Ticagrelor Reversal with VerifyNow PRU. Ticagrelor reversal is shown as a reduction in % inhibition of PRU or PRI and as an increase in PRU or platelet reactivity index at multiple timepoints post-treatment. Shown is the comparison of % inhibition of PRU pre-treatment and the minimum % inhibition of PRU within 4 hours of initiation of bentracimab infusion (left). Onset and duration of ticagrelor reversal in bentracimab-treated patients observed as an increase in PRU with P value at each timepoint Bonferroni adjusted (right).

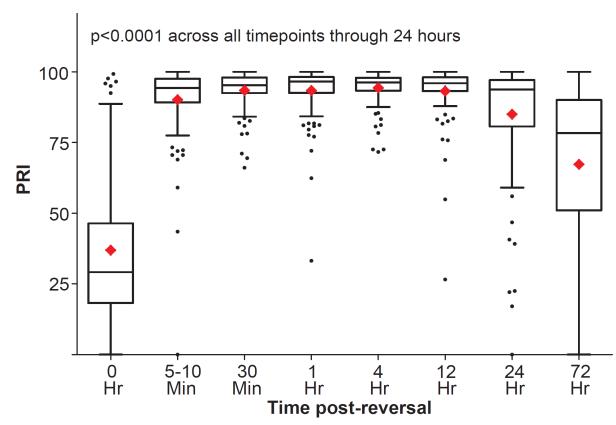


REVERSE-IT: Platelet Function Tests

Percent Inhibition of PRI



PRI analysis of Reversal

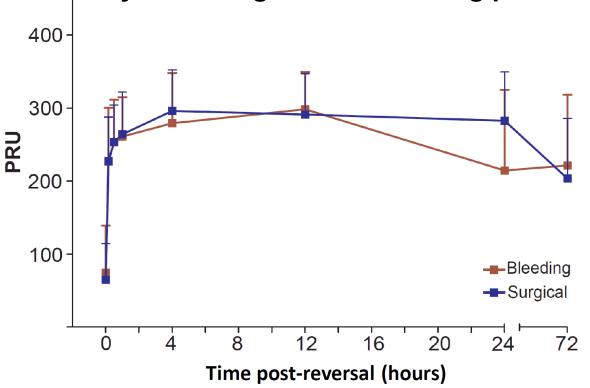


Ticagrelor Reversal with VASP platelet reactivity index (PRI). Comparison of % inhibition of platelet reactivity index pretreatment and the minimum % inhibition of platelet reactivity index within 4 hours of initiation of bentracimab infusion (left). The onset and duration of ticagrelor reversal in bentracimab-treated patients observed as an increase in platelet reactivity index with P value at each timepoint Bonferroni adjusted (right).

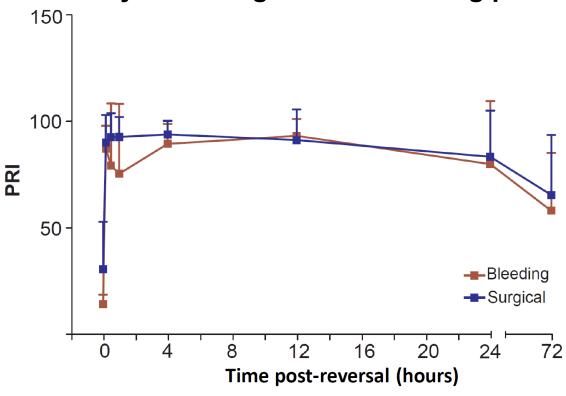


REVERSE-IT: Reversal in Surgical and Bleeding Pts





PRI analysis in surgical and bleeding patients



Ticagrelor Reversal in Bleeding and Surgical Patients. Multiple platelet function assays were used to measure extent of ticagrelor reversal in bleeding and surgical patients. Shown is platelet aggregation pre-treatment and at multiple timepoints post initiation of bentracimab in bleeding patients compared to surgical patients as measured by VerifyNow P2Y12 assay (left). The VASP PRI assay was used to assess ticagrelor's suppression of P2Y12 receptor signaling pre-treatment and at multiple timepoint post-initiation of bentracimab in bleeding vs. surgical patients (right).



REVERSE-IT: Platelet Function Tests Subgroups

Forest Plot for % Inhibition of PRU

Subgroup	n (%)	Difference in % inhibition Mean (95%CI)	Statistical Significance (p)		
Overall	129 (100)	-135 (-142, -129)	<0.0001	l o l	
Patient Population					
Surgery	120 (93)	-136 (-143, -129)	<0.0001	₩	
Bleeding	9 (7)	-128 (-152, -104)	<0.0001	├→	
Sex					
Male	101 (78.3	-135 (-142, -128)	< 0.0001	₩	
Female	28 (21.7)	-138 (-151, -124)	<0.0001	 -	
Age					
< 65 years	58 (45)	-133 (-143, -124)	<0.0001	H 1	
≥ 65 years	71 (55)	-137 (-146, -129)	<0.0001	H●H	
Race					
White	106 (82.2	1) -135 (-142, -128)	<0.0001	HH	Pro
Black	5 (3.9)	-125 (-158, -93.0)	<0.0001	├	
Asian	15 (11.6)	, , , ,	<0.0001		Pri
Other	3 (2.3)	-142 (-184, -101)	<0.0001		rov
Region					re۱
USA	23 (17.8)		<0.0001	⊢	inh
Europe Canada	18 (14)	-144 (-160, -127)	<0.0001 <0.0001	⊢	
Renal Function	88 (68.2)	-131 (-139, -123)	<0.0001	HH	init
					inh
GFR < 60	28 (21.7)	, , ,	<0.0001	H-1	inh
GFR ≥ 60	101 (78.3	-131 (-138, -124)	<0.0001	H -1	pre
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Diabetes	23 (17.0)	-144 (-159, -129)	<0.0001		stu
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No	50 (38.8) 79 (61.2)	100 (1417, 120)	<0.0001	H H	
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Hypertension					
Yes No	102 (79.1	,	<0.0001	H ol	
CYP3A Inhibitor	27 (20.9)	-125 (-139, -111)	<0.0001	→	
None/Mild	104 (06.1) 105 (110 100)			
Moderate/Strong	124 (96.1 5 (3.9)) -135 (-142, -129) -138 (-170, -106)	<0.0001 <0.0001	Hel	
Time from last Ticagrelor	3 (3.3)	-130 (-170, -100)	<0.0001		
_	10 (14 7)	144 (457 - 400)	-0.0004		
0 Days 1 Day	19 (14.7) 74 (57.4)		<0.0001 <0.0001	 	
2 Days	23 (17.8)		<0.0001		
3+ Days	5 (3.9)	-95.4 (-126, -64.8)	<0.0001	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
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Prespecified Subgroup Analyses of the Primary Reversal Endpoint. The primary reversal endpoint was the minimum % inhibition of PRU within 4 hours of study drug initiation compared to pre-treatment % inhibition of PRU. Shown is a Forest plot of the pretreatment % inhibition of PRU compared to the minimum %inhibition within 4 hours of study drug in pre-specified subgroups.



Enrollment of Urgent Surgical and Major Bleeding Patients in REVERSE-IT

Enrolled Urgent Surgical and Major Bleeding Patients

Patient Type	n (%)
Total Surgical Patients	142
Cardiac Surgery	131 (92)
Emergency CABG	27 (19)
Urgent CABG	103 (72)
Valve replacement	5 (3.5)
Aortic dissection repair	2 (1.4)
General (Abdominal) Surgery	3 (0.3)
Orthopedic Surgery	3 (0.3)
Invasive endoscopic	3 (0.3)
Neurosurgery	2 (1.4)
Total Bleeding Patients	8
Intracranial Hemorrhage	4 (50)
Gastrointestinal	2 (25)
Post-Operative	1 (12.5)
Urological	1 (12.5)

CABG, coronary artery bypass graft surgery. Emergency CABG was defined *post hoc* as CABG performed within 24 hours of ticagrelor 180 mg pretreatment. Urgent CABG was all other CABG performed in REVERSE-IT. Duration of ticagrelor washout prior to CABG was based on clinical judgement. The study protocol did not require attempted washout prior to enrollment.



REVERSE-IT: Adjudicated Surgical Hemostasis

Adjudicated and Investigator-Reported Surgical Outcomes

Hemostasis in Surgical Patients Adjudicated achieved hemostasis (N=113) GUSTO Mild GUSTO Moderate GUSTO Severe Investigator-reported achieved hemostasis (N=142) Normal or mildly abnormal bleeding Moderately abnormal Severely abnormal or unknown	n (%) 113 (100.0) 75 (66.4) 38 (33.6) 0 (0) 135 (95.1) 110 (77.5) 25 (17.6) 7 (4.93)
Blood Product Transfusions Total blood transfusions (pRBCs or whole blood) Blood transfusions for bleeding event Total platelets transfusions Platelet transfusions for bleeding event	n (%) 56 (39.04) 10 (7.04) 19 (13.4) 6 (4.22)
Other Surgical Outcomes Restarted P2Y ₁₂ inhibition, n (%) Time to restart (median), days (min, max) Total mortality, n (%)	111 (74%) 2 (0, 22) 4 (2.8)

pRBC, packed red blood cells. Investigators were required to specify in case report forms whether allogeneic blood and platelet products were transfused for bleeding events or other routine perioperative use. Total transfusions and transfusions for bleeding events are shown above.



REVERSE-IT: Adjudicated Bleeding Hemostasis

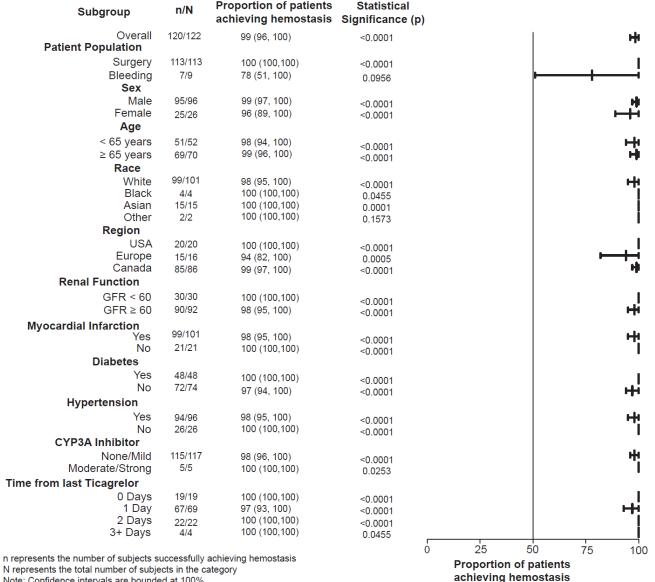
Adjudicated and Investigator-Reported Bleeding Outcomes

Hemostasis in Bleeding Patients Adjudicated achieved hemostasis (N=9) Excellent hemostasis Good hemostasis Poor hemostasis Unable to determine Investigator-reported achieved hemostasis (N=8) Median time to hemostasis, hrs (min, max)	n (%) 7 (77.8) 6 (66.7) 1 (11.1) 1 (11.1) 1 (11.1) 7 (87.5) 23 (112, 7)
Blood Product Transfusions Total blood transfusions (pRBCs or whole blood) Blood transfusions for bleeding event Total platelet transfusions Platelet transfusions for bleeding event	n (%) 5 (62.5) 5 (62.5) 2 (25.0) 1 (12.5)
Other Outcomes in Bleeding Patients Restarted P2Y ₁₂ inhibition, n (%) Time to restart (median), days (min, max) Total mortality, n (%)	5 (62.5) 5 (0, 8) 0 (0.0)



REVERSE-IT: Adjudicated Hemostasis Subgroups

Forest Plot for Effective Hemostasis (Adjudicated)



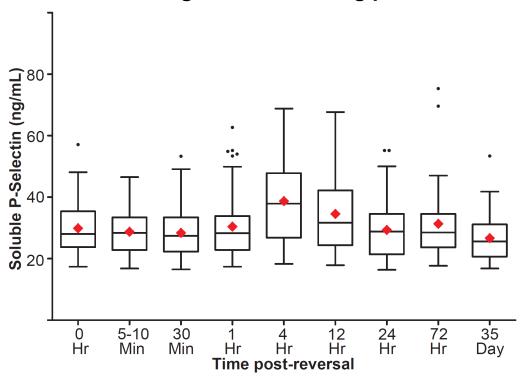
Prespecified Subgroup Analyses of the Primary Hemostasis Endpoint. The primary hemostasis endpoint was the proportion of patients adjudicated to have achieved effective hemostasis compared to 50% expected by the null hypothesis. Shown is a Forest plot of the proportion of patients with effective hemostasis within 24 hours of initiation of bentracimab infusion in pre-specified subgroups

N represents the total number of subjects in the category Note: Confidence intervals are bounded at 100%

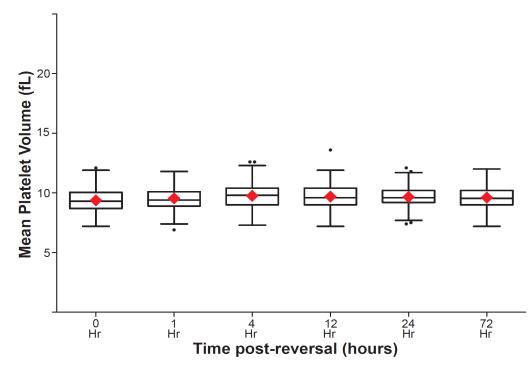


REVERSE-IT: No Platelet Rebound Activity

P-selectin in surgical and bleeding patients



Mean platelet volume in surgical and bleeding patients



Effect of Bentracimab Treatment on P-Selectin and Mean Platelet Volume (MPV). Soluble P-selectin and MPV were measured pre-dose and at multiple timepoints post-initiation of bentracimab treatment to assess for a potentially prothrombotic rebound increase in platelet reactivity post-reversal. Shown are the soluble P-selectin levels in surgical and bleeding patients treated with bentracimab (left). MPV was measured in surgical and bleeding patients treated with bentracimab (right).



REVERSE-IT: Adjudicated Thrombotic Events

Adjudicated Thrombotic Events Occurring Post-Reversal

Patient Type	Type of Event	Days from Bentracimab and Surgery	P2Y12 restarted before event	Related to bentracimab
51 yr old man, s/p CABG	Myocardial infarction	7	Yes	No
78 yr old woman, s/p CABG	Transient ischemic attack	2	Yes	No
70 yr old man, s/p CABG	Lacunar stroke	1	No	No
58 yr old man, s/p CABG	Anterior, inferior STEMI with total graft occlusion	1	No	No
69 yr old man, s/p CABG, intraortic balloon pump, and thrombectomy	RLE arterial thromboembolism	1	No	No
73 yr of woman, s/p CABG	Acute ischemic stroke	5	No	No
44 yr old male, s/p CABG	Acute coronary syndrome with graft failure	29	Yes	No
47 yr old man, s/p CABG +aortic dissection repair	Acute ischemic right leg immediately post-op	1	No	No



Limitations

- There was no control arm, as it was felt to be challenging to randomize to a placebo (as with the NOAC reversal trials).
- The majority of surgical patients underwent cardiac surgery, though no reason to think the results don't apply to other surgeries and invasive procedures.
- The number of patients with bleeding in this prespecified interim analysis was low, though surgery is an excellent model of bleeding (and the bleeding subgroup showed statistically significant benefits).
 - Enrollment of additional patients with bleeding is ongoing.



Conclusion

- Using the VerifyNow and VASP assays in ticagrelor-treated patients undergoing invasive procedures or with major bleeding, bentracimab, a specific reversal agent for ticagrelor, provided immediate and sustained reversal of ticagrelor's antiplatelet effects.
- Rates of effective hemostasis were adjudicated as good or excellent in >90% of cases, with no drug-related serious adverse events or allergic or infusion-related reactions.
- The benefits were **consistent in all prespecified subgroups**, including those undergoing surgery and with major bleeding.
- Bentracimab appears to be a very promising option for ticagrelor reversal.





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