**SETROBUVIR (ANA598)**

Anadys Pharmaceuticals’ Setrobuvir (ANA598) is an oral non-nucleoside polymerase inhibitor for the treatment of HCV. Designed to inhibit the virus in genotypes 1a and 1b, it has proven to be highly powerful in cell cultures and has been proven safe in over 150 human subjects.

The product has US FDA fast-track status as of December 2008. At the EASL Conference 2009, the company reported that ANA598 produced viral load reductions at the end of treatment (day 4) of over 2 log10 (more than 99%) at all dose levels. With twice daily dosing, 200 mg produced an average viral load drop of 2.4 log10; 400 mg produced a 2.3 log10; and 800 mg produced a 2.9 log10. Genotype 1a subjects showed average drops of 1.4 log10, 1.8 log10, and 2.5 log10 at those doses, and genotype 1b patients showed average drops of 2.6 log10, 2.5 log10, and 3.2 log10.

Anadys has now begun a Phase IIb study combining it with pegIFN/RBV (Pegasys/RBV) (more than 99%) at all dose levels. With twice daily dosing, 200 mg produced an average viral load drop of 2.4 log10; 400 mg produced a 2.3 log10; and 800 mg produced a 2.9 log10. Genotype 1a subjects showed average drops of 1.4 log10, 1.8 log10, and 2.5 log10 at those doses, and genotype 1b patients showed average drops of 2.6 log10, 2.5 log10, and 3.2 log10.

**MERICITABINE (RG7128)**

Mericitabine is a nucleoside analog NS5B polymerase inhibitor produced by Roche Genentech. Pre-clinical trials showed the product to be promising. The present JUMP-C study, was designed by Paul Pokros and his team at the Scripps Clinic, and enrolled 166 treatment-naïve patients with genotype 1 or 4, the most difficult to treat. Approximately 25% of the subjects had advanced fibrosis or cirrhosis. Patients received either pegIFN/RBV (standard therapy) with or without mericitabine. Group 1 took 24 weeks of triple therapy, and those with eRVR stopped therapy, while those who didn’t have eRVR took pegIFN/RBV alone for another 24 weeks. Group 2 took pegIFN/RBV for 48 weeks.

60% of the mericitabine group stopped treatment at 24 weeks, and 76% of those had sustained their response at 12 weeks post-treatment. Those who took triple therapy and didn’t respond by 24 weeks had results like the patients taking standard therapy, i.e., 56% still had undetectable virus at week 36. Side effects were similar in all arms of the trial. No resistant strains were seen in the mericitabine patients.


**TEGOBUVIR (GS-9190) + GS-9256**

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**“DYING IS NOT A CRIME”**

Jack Kevorkian
May 26, 1928–June 3, 2011

Known as Dr. Death, Jack Kevorkian met his own Dr. Death on June 3rd. Hated by many, admired by others—whatever your opinion, he has influenced policy changes in several areas of North America, Europe and the rest of the world.

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**DAVID “FRANKIE” TOLER**

June 28, 1951–June 4, 2011

Possibly most famous for being the drummer for the Allman Brothers Band, Frankie Toler suffered from ill health for several years due to hepatitis C, and had a second liver transplant 2 years ago.

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Annual General Meeting

Tuesday September 20, 2011
6:30 PM
1947 Cook Street,
Victoria, BC

(Victoria Health Unit, Activity Room)

Schedule:
6:00-7:30pm Welcome and Main Speaker
7:30-8:30pm Annual General Meeting

AGENDA:
• Approve minutes of AGM 2010
• Set number of directors (We are looking for new directors)
• Election of those directors
• President’s Report
• Coordinator and Staff Report
• Financial Report

Main Speaker & Topic: T.B.A.

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FILIBUVIR

Filibuvir is one of the direct-acting anti-HCV agents. More specifically, it is an NS5B non-nucleoside polymerase inhibitor. In two recent Phase Ib studies, several different doses were tested in both treatment-naive and -experienced subjects with GT1. The doses went from 200 to 1400 mg daily for 3 to 10 days. The best results were seen with the higher doses, resulting in an average drop of 2.30 log10 in the naïve patients taking 700 mg twice daily. In the experienced patients, the highest dose was 450 mg daily, and it produced a viral load drop of 2.20 log10. Side effects were mild to moderate, and there were no drop-outs. Trials are underway combining the drug with pegIFN/RBV in treatment-naive patients.

Source: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/21488067

AZD7295

AZD7295 is an HCV NS5A inhibitor, specially designed to be effective against HCV genotype 1b. The drug collects well in the liver, according to preclinical tests. The results given here were for a clinical trial in both treatment-experienced and -naïve GT1 and GT3 patients with no cirrhosis. The drug or a placebo was taken for 5 days at different doses, testing effectiveness and safety. The best results were seen in the highest doses in GT1b subjects, who showed drops of 1.2 to 2.1 logs at Day 6. The drug was well tolerated up to 700 mg a day, and works well in GT1b patients. (Continued on page 5)

BOOSTING THERAPY

CLEMIZOLE

Clemizole, produced by Eiger Bio-Pharmaceuticals, is an inhibitor of the virus’ NS4B-RNA binding. This recently-discovered binding has become a target for new drugs, since the binding is needed for the virus to replicate. Clemizole is being investigated in all genotypes, in several clinical trials, as a substance to boost standard of care medications, making them more effective and decreasing resistance, since it targets the interaction between NS4B and the HCV-RNA. Adding clemizole to protease inhibitors may allow them to be used at lower doses, while keeping the desired antiviral effect and avoiding the side-effects caused by the protease inhibitors such as rash and anemia. “Clemizole has the potential to be an ideal component of future anti-HCV cocktails,” said the company’s founder, Dr. Jeffrey Glenn, M.D., Ph.D.

Source: www.therapeuticsdaily.com/news/article.cfm?contentValue=715070&contentType=newsarchive&cann elID=26 Jul. 01, 2010

ABT-450

ABT-450 is an oral acylsulfonamide protease inhibitor developed by Abbott and Enanta. The drug works better if boosted with ritonavir (RTV), according to information reported at the AASLD 2010. The study (M11-602) had 3 arms. 24 GT1 patients received either ABT-450/rt (boosted with ritonavir) or either of the polymerase inhibitors ABT-072 or ABT 333. 11 patients received a placebo. The companies reported that ABT-450/r 3-Day monotherapy lowered the viral load significantly. The product boosted with RTV became 28-48 times more powerful, so it will be produced together with low-dose RTV so it can be taken once a day. The maximum viral load decrease was 4.02 log10. There were no serious adverse events.

Source: http://natap.org/2010/AASLD/AASLD_52.htm

DANOPREVIR + RITONAVIR + PegIFN/RBV

Danoprevir (RG7227 or ITMN-191) is an NS3/4A serine protease inhibitor. Abbot’s Ritonavir (RTV or Norvir) is an HIV protease inhibitor that inhibits a liver enzyme called CYP3A4. CYP3A4 metabolizes the “good” protease inhibitors, weakening them. RTV lets the “good” protease inhibitors work longer, so a lower dose of them can be just as effective. This drug is already FDA-approved for use in HIV/AIDS. It has been used in co-infected patients, and is being used in trials to “boost” some Hep C protease inhibitors in patients infected with only HCV.

This trial was designed for GT1 patients who had no response to previous therapy with pegIFN/RBV plus Danoprevir. 24 patients were treated for 12 weeks with danoprevir/ritonavir/pegIFN/RBV, and some continued for 36 weeks of pegIFN/RBV alone. The rapid response rate for GT1b patients was 88%, with only 6% breakthrough cases by week 12. Unfortunately breakthrough was 50% for GT1a patients by week eight.

The researchers plan to add another drug in GT1 null responders, such as mericitabine (RG7128).

Source: www.clinicaloptions.com/Hepatitis/Conference%20Coverage/Vienna%202010/Tracks/HCV/HCV/Pages/Page%207.aspx

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WORLD HEPATITIS DAY 2011
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July 28, 2011 12-2 PM
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Education and Awareness Event
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Campbell River BBQ, Awareness Event
July 27th, 11:00am-2:00pm
Campbell River Commons, rear parking lot
Jeanette, Jeanette.reinhardt@avi.org

AIDS Vancouver Island
Cortenay BBQ, Awareness Events
July 28th, 11:00am-2:00pm
Simms Park
Jeanette, Jeanette.reinhardt@avi.org

Safeworks Calgary
Education and Awareness Events July 28th
Calgary Drop In Centre, Centre of Hope, Sheldon Chumir Health Centre
diane.nelson@albertahealthservices.ca
Linda, linda.ton@albertahealthservices.ca

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES
NWT HIV HEPC Support Network (Yellowknife)
BBQ and Education and Awareness Event
July 28th, 11:00am-2:00pm
Franklin Ave, in front of the post office
Debbie & Audrey, drussel@northwested.net
http://nwthhsn.ca/

QUEBEC
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Awareness Events throughout Quebec
Various dates
Laurence, capazloc@hotmail.com
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ONTARIO
AIDS Committee of North Bay & Area
Open House
July 28th, 11:30am-3:30pm
269 Main St. West, Suite 201
Shannon, herrccommmcoord@gmail.com
www.aidsnortheastbay.com/

Wayside House of Hamilton
July 28th
The Salvation Army Booth Centre, 94 York Blvd
Jhemelle Maynard, jhemelle.hepc@gmail.com
www.waysidehouse.com/

Toronto Hepatitis C Alliance
Community Health Fair in Yonge-Dundas Square
July 28th, 2-8pm
Yonge-Dundas Square, Toronto
Michael, mbrito@canada.ca

Canadian Liver Foundation (Toronto)
July 23rd, 1-6pm
CICS Immigration Centre, 2330 Midland Ave, Scarborough
Daphne, dhoh@iver.ca
www.iver.ca/

Teen Health Centre–Hep C Support & Treatment (Windsor)
BBQ July 22nd
Downtown Windsor
Rola, roomar@teenhealthcentre.com

Merck, together with musician Gregg Allman and the American Liver Foundation will produce a benefit concert with The Allman Brothers Band in New York July 27th, the eve of World Hepatitis Day. The event “Tune in to Hep C” will take place at the Beacon Theatre.

“Gregg’s willingness to share his story will open the door for meaningful dialogue that can help reduce stigma and the lack of understanding surrounding chronic hepatitis C,” commented Newton Guerin, CEO of ALF.

Tickets available at LiveNation.com, Ticketmaster.com, and The Beacon Theatre box office.

Proceeds will go to community-based organizations providing education and support to those with Hep C.

Source: www.musicstack.com/articles/gregg-allman-to-lead-benefit-concert-for-world-hepatitis-day

Hastings and Prince Edward Counties Health Unit
(Belleville)
Education and Awareness Event
July 25th-July 29th
Various locations: Belleville, Trenton, Bancroft, Picton, Madoc
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Sanguen Health Centre (Waterloo)
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Jan. alotes@sanguen.com www.sanguen.com/

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July 28th & the following week
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www.kche.ca/sh.shtml

AIDS Thunder Bay
BBQ, Open House, Clients’ Art Display
July 28th
574 Memorial Ave
Rhonda, rroock@aidsthunderbay.org
www.aidsthunderbay.org/

Access AIDS Network (Sudbury)
July 25th, 26th, & 27th Street Outreach
July 28th, 11:00am-4:00pm Awareness Event
Downtown Mall
Lori, lorm@accessaidsnetwork.com
www.accessaidsnetwork.com/

Hepatitis C Program – Timmins Family Health Team Open House
July 28th, all day event
300-123 Third Ave, Timmins
Annice, alauzon@timminsht.ca
www.timminsht.ca/

NOVA SCOTIA
Hepatitis Outreach Society of Nova Scotia (HepNS) Awareness Events
July 28th, 10am -1 pm
Colin Green, director@hepatitisoutreach.com
www.hepatitisoutreach.com/
http://whdcanada.ca/LinkClick.aspx?link=79&tabid=72
The Faces of Hepatitis C

You are a doctor or a nurse--You are a fifth grade teacher
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You are a newborn baby lying in your mother's arms---

YOU are the faces of Hepatitis C

I may not recognize you as you pass me on the street or in the store where I shop or the church where I worship, but you are there---

The faces of Hepatitis C

My heart cries out for you, for what fate has given you---
It was not your fault—it was just meant to be
My heart swells with pride for you—your courage, your faith---
You have been asked to keep on going when others would have given up.

The faces of Hepatitis C

You wait anxiously for a drug that will rid you of this virus growing inside---
You wait anxiously for another loving person to give you “The Gift of Life”
The gift of their own liver at the end of THEIR life...

I am filled with love for each of you—my brother—my sister
Those I have met and those I will never know---

You see—I am one of those faces

by Selles Dole
05/28/05

Selles Dole died on November 29, 2008. Her words live on. Reprinted with the kind permission of Delphi HepCentre Bulletin Board.
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WENDY'S WELLNESS WEBSITE

I have been working on my peer support Wendy’s Wellness Website and wanted to offer everyone a safe place to get together.

This is the link to my post, offering a secure place to blog about Hep C health. I hope to connect with anyone interested in sharing how we cope and manage our health challenges.

Please pass this along to anyone out there who would like a safe place to blog. http://wendyswellness.ca/

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18th International Symposium on Hepatitis C Virus and Related Viruses
September 8-12, 2011
Sheraton Seattle Hotel & Towers
Seattle, WA
Registration: Opens 1 February, 2011
www.hcv2011.org/

2nd International Symposium on Hepatitis care in substance users
September 15-16, 2011
Brussels, Belgium
http://www.easl.eu/ events/

21st Brazilian Congress of Hepatology
September 27 - October 1, 2011
Pestana Bahia Hotel
Salvador, Bahia, Brazil
www.easl.eu/ events

AASLD 2011
The Liver Meeting
November 4 – 8, 2011
Moscone West Convention Center
San Francisco, CA
www.aasld.org/ lm/Pages/default.aspx

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Armstrong  HepCURE Phone support 1-888-437-2873

AIDS Vancouver Island The following groups provide info, health navigation/support.

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- **Comox Valley**  Harm reduction, counseling, advocacy. 355 6th St. Courtenay. Contact Sarah [sarah.sullivan@avi.org](mailto:sarah.sullivan@avi.org) 250-338-7400
- **Nanaimo**  Hep C Meetings twice monthly: Contact Anita 250-753-2437 [anita.rosewell@avi.org](mailto:anita.rosewell@avi.org) for details.
- **Port Hardy**  (Port McNeil, Alert Bay, Port Hardy, Sayward, Sointula and Woss) Drop-in kitchen. 7070 Shorncliffe Rd. Contact Tom, 250-949-0432 [tom.fenton@avi.org](mailto:tom.fenton@avi.org)
- **Victoria**  Access Health Centre, drop in, disabilty applications, peer training. Support group Tues 12:30 PM, 713 Johnson St., 3rd floor, 250-384-2366 [hermione.jeffers@avi.org](mailto:hermione.jeffers@avi.org)

Boundary HCV Support and Education Contact Ken 250-442-1280 [ksthomson@direct.ca](mailto:ksthomson@direct.ca)

Burnaby HCV Support Contact Beverly 604-435-3717 [bvalas@telus.net](mailto:bvalas@telus.net)

Castlegar Contact Robin 250-365-6137 [eoir@ishawca](mailto:oir@ishawca)

Comox Valley Treatment/Pre-treatment Support Group 2nd & 4th Wed., Comox Valley Nursing Centre. Contact Cheryl [Cheryl.taylor@wha.ca](mailto:Cheryl.taylor@wha.ca) 250-331-8524.

Courtenay HCV Peer Support and Education. Contact Del 250-703-0231 [dorothy.mcdonald@wha.ca](mailto:dorothy.mcdonald@wha.ca)

Cowichan Valley HCV Support Contact Leah 250-748-3432 [leah.2507483432@telus.net](mailto:leah.2507483432@telus.net)

HepCBC Support Group 2nd Thurs 7-9PM, Prince George Regional Hospital, Rm. 421. Contact Ilse 250-565-7387 [ilse.kuepper@northernhealth.ca](mailto:ilse.kuepper@northernhealth.ca)

Prince Rupert HCV Support Contact: Dolly 250-627-7942 [hepcruperprincecily@telus.net](mailto:hepcruperprincecily@telus.net)

Queen Charlotte Islands/Haida Gwaii & Northern BC Support Group. Contact Wendy 250-557-2487, [hepc@healthgateway.net](mailto:hepc@healthgateway.net) [Health Gateway](http://www.healthgateway.net) [Group Network BC](http://www.healthgateway.net) [winds@windswellness.ca](mailto:winds@windswellness.ca)

Slokan Valley Support Group Contact Ken 250-355-2732, [ken.forsythe@gmail.com](mailto:ken.forsythe@gmail.com)

Sunshine Coast-Sechelt Healthy Livers Support Group Information/resources, contact Caterina 250-868-5613 [catrioa.hardwick@vch.ca](mailto:catrioa.hardwick@vch.ca) or Brent, 604-740-9042 [brent.fitzsimmons@vch.ca](mailto:brent.fitzsimmons@vch.ca)

Surrey Positive Haven Info, harm reduction, support, drop in, clinic. 10697 135A St. Contact Monika 604-589-9004.

VANDU The Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users. 380 E Hastings St. M-F 10-4 Contact 604-683-6061 [vandu@vandu.org](mailto:vandu@vandu.org)

Vancouver Pre/post liver transplant support Contact Gordon Kerr [gsk@shaw.ca](mailto:gsk@shaw.ca)

Vancouver Hepatitis C Support Group 604-454-1347 or 778-898-7211, or call 604-522-1714 (Shelley), 604-454-1347 (Terry), to talk or meet for coffee.

Vernon telephone buddy, M-F 10-6 Contact Peter, [pvansho@telus.net](mailto:pvansho@telus.net) Tel: 250-309-1358.

Victoria CoolAid Peer each Wed 10-11:30 AM, 713 Johnson St. Support for all stages of treatment (deciding, during, after). Contact Carolyn [cshowler@cololaid.org](mailto:cshowler@cololaid.org)

YouthCOC HCV + Hep C Community Outreach. Drop-in T&W 12-3, Fri, 9-12. Call to schedule aptns M-F 10-6. 205-568 Seymour St. Vancouver 604-688-1441, 1-855-YOUTHCO Support Staff: Lulu [lulu@youthcco.org](mailto:lulu@youthcco.org), Brionne [brionne@youthcco.org](mailto:brionne@youthcco.org), www.youthcco.org

Whitehorse, Yukon—Blood Ties Four Directions Contact 867-633-2436 [bloodties@lawlouder.com](mailto:bloodties@lawlouder.com)

**OTHER PROVINCES:**

**ONTARIO:**

Barrie Hepatitis Support Contact Jeanie for info/appointment [jeanievilleneuve@hotmail.com](mailto:jeanievilleneuve@hotmail.com)

Sandi’s Crusade Against Hepatitis C / Durham Hepatitis Support Contact Sandi [smking@rogers.com](mailto:smking@rogers.com) [www.creativeintensity.com/smking](http://www.creativeintensity.com/smking)

Hamilton Hepatitis C Support Group 3rd Thurs. 6-7PM, Hamilton Human Care Community Health Centre, 71st St, Hamilton. Contact Maciej Kowalski, Health Promoter 905-522-3233 [mkowalski@huccc.com](mailto:mkowalski@huccc.com)

Hep C Team, AIDS Committee of North Bay & Area. Education, outreach, treatment, individual & group support, harm reduction, needle exchange. 269 Main St. W, Suite 201, North Bay. Contact 705-497-3560, 1-800-387-3710 or [hepcommcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:hepcommcoordinator@gmail.com)

www.aidsnorthbay.ca

Hepatitis C Network of Windsor & Essex County Last Thurs. weekly, 7 PM, Teen Health Centre -Street Health Program Office, 711 Pelissier St., Suite 4, Windsor. Contact Andrea Monkman 519-967-0490 or [hepcnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:hepcnetwork@gmail.com) [http://hepcnetwork.net](http://hepcnetwork.net)

Kingston Hep C Info HIV/AIDS Regional Service. Contact 613-545-3609, 1-800-565-2299 [haris@kingston.net](mailto:haris@kingston.net), www.haris.ca

Kitchener Area Support 3rd Wed. monthly, 7:30 PM, NEW: Zehrs Community Room, Laurentian Power Centre, 750 Ottawa St. S., Kitchener. Contact Bob 519-886-5706, Mavis 519-743-1922 or [waterlooregionhepcsupport@gmail.com](mailto:waterlooregionhepcsupport@gmail.com)

London Hepatitis C Support 186 King St, London. For those infected as well as affected by Hep C. Contact: 519-434-1601, 1-866-920-1601, [hivaidsonconnection.com](http://hivaidsonconnection.com)

Owen Sound Info, support. Contact Debby Minielly [dmn@publichealthgreybruce.on.ca](mailto:dmn@publichealthgreybruce.on.ca) www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

Quebec:

Quebec City Region Contact Renée Daurio 418-836-2307 reneedaurio@hotmail.com

**ATLANTIC PROVINCES:**

Hepatitis Outreach Society of NS. Info and support line for the entire province. Contact 1-800-521-0572, 902-420-1767 [info@hepatitisoutreach.com](mailto:info@hepatitisoutreach.com), [www.hepatitisoutreach.com](http://www.hepatitisoutreach.com)

**PRAIRIE PROVINCES:**

Edmonton Contact Jackie Neufeld 780-939-3379.

Wood Buffalo HIV & AIDS Society #002-9908 Franklin Ave, Fort McMurray, AB. Contact 780-743-9200 [wbhas@telus.net](mailto:wbhas@telus.net) www.wbhas.ca

Manitoba Hepatitis C Support Community Inc. 1st Tues. monthly, 7 PM, 595 Broadway Ave. Everyone welcome. Contact Kirk 204-772-8925 [info@ambhepc.org](mailto:info@ambhepc.org) www.mbhepc.org

**MEDICINE HAT, AB** Hep C Support Group 1st & 3rd Wed. monthly, 6:30 PM, HIV/AIDS Network of SE. AB Association, 550 Allowance Ave. Contact 403-527-7099 bettwatson@hivnetwork.ca

If you have a Canadian HCV support group to list here, please send details to [info@hepbc.ca](mailto:info@hepbc.ca) by the 15th of the month. It’s free!