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1 Executive Summary

The applicant “Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals” has submitted NDA 208658 for Synjardy[®] XR, the fixed dose combination (FDC XR) of empagliflozin and metformin extended-release tablets. The applicant is seeking marketing application of Synjardy XR[®] under the provisions of the section 505(b) (1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. The proposed indication is an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus when treatment with both empagliflozin and metformin is appropriate.

Synjardy[®], a fixed dose combination product of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride immediate release (IR) (NDA 206111), was approved in August 2015. In the current application, sponsor has developed a fixed dose combination of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride (HCl) XR tablets for once-daily use in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus. The proposed dose strengths for empagliflozin and metformin HCl extended release fixed dose combination tablets are 5mg/1000mg, 10mg/1000mg, 12.5mg/1000mg, and 25mg/1000mg. The proposed trade name is Synjardy[®] XR. All 4 tablet strengths have an identical core containing 1000 mg metformin hydrochloride in an XR formulation. The core is surrounded with an empagliflozin IR coating of 4 different strengths.

In this application sponsor is seeking approval based on the 2 pivotal bioequivalence (BE) of FDC XR (empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablet strengths 25mg/1000 mg in study 1276.15 and 10/1000 mg in study 1276.28) to co-administration of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride (HCl) extended-release in healthy volunteers. For the 2 lower empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablet strengths (12.5mg/1000 mg and 5mg/1000 mg), no bioequivalence studies were performed, and sponsor has requested a bio waiver to conduct clinical studies at these strengths.

The applicant is the sponsor of empagliflozin (Jardiance[®], NDA 204629) and Synjardy[®] (FDC of empagliflozin and metformin HCl twice daily, NDA 206111), and also provided a Letter of Authorization from the sponsor of metformin extended-release product (Glumetza[®], NDA 021748). The applicant refers pertinent labeling information of Glumetza[®] and Synjardy[®] for Synjardy XR[®].

1.1 Recommendation

The Office of Clinical Pharmacology has reviewed NDA 208026 for Synjardy XR[®] and recommends approval.

1.2 Post-Market Requirements and Commitments

None

2 Summary of Clinical Pharmacology Assessment

2.1 Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacokinetics

To bridge the existing clinical safety and efficacy data sponsor in this NDA conducted two pivotal bioequivalence studies to demonstrate bioequivalence between the empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablets (Synjardy[®] XR) to the co-administration of the individual components (Jardiance[®] and Glumetza[®]). The applicant conducted the following two pivotal BE studies to support the approval of Synjardy[®] XR under fed conditions (Table 1).

Table 1: Overview of pivotal bridging studies for empagliflozin/metformin FDC XR

Study No. Report No.	Objective and description	Study part, meal status	Test (FDC dose tested (mg))	Reference (co-administration dose tested (mg))
1276.15 c02998110	Bioequivalence, single-dose, Pivotal Study	Fed	Empa 25/Met XR 1000	Empa 25 + 2x Met XR 500
1276.28 c03125719	Bioequivalence, single-dose, Pivotal	Fed	Empa 10/Met XR 1000	Empa 10 + 2x Met XR 500

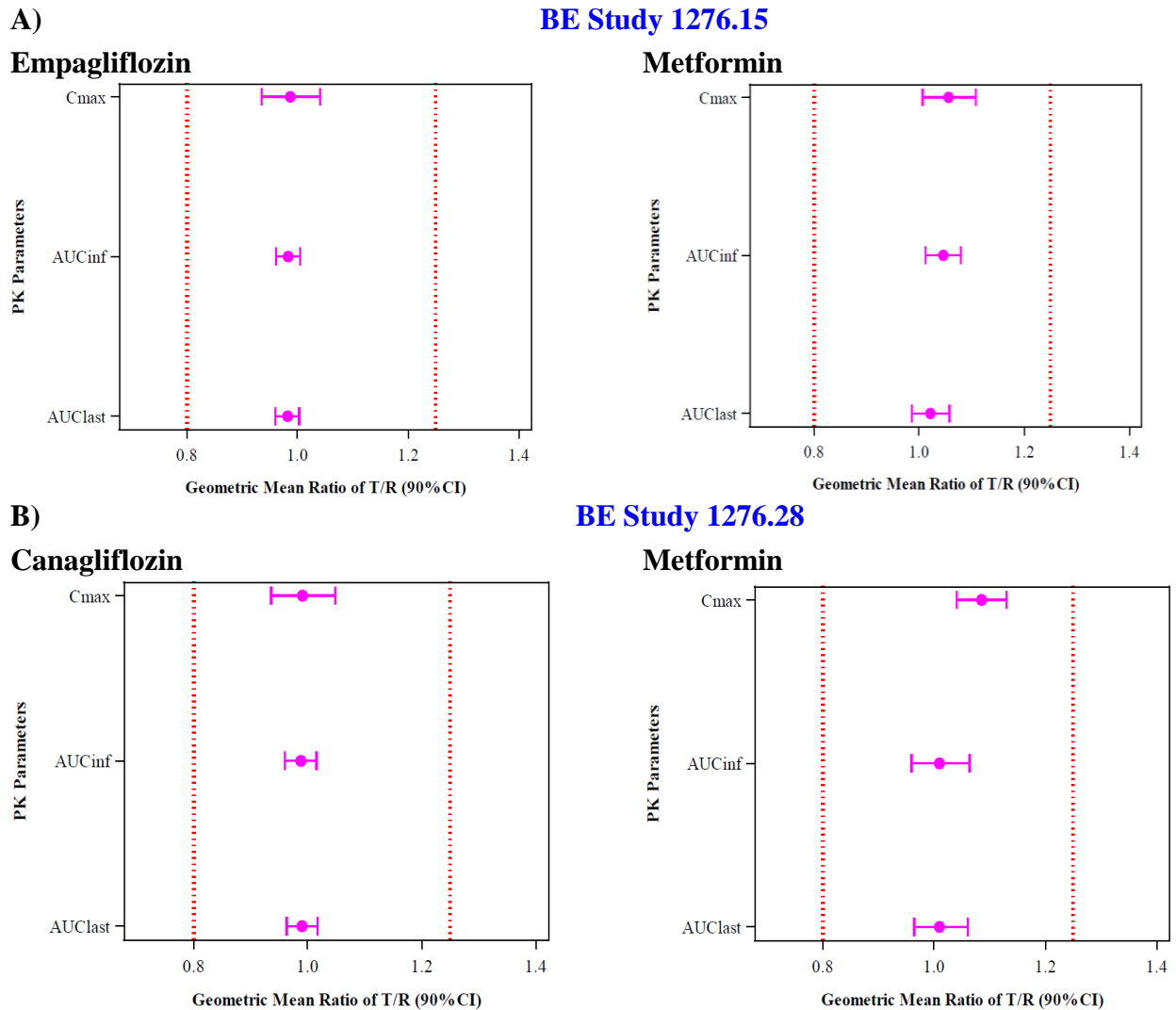
BE Study Results:

As shown in Figure 1, BE was demonstrated for both strengths of Synjardy[®] XR referencing corresponding co-administration of Jardiance[®] and Glumetza[®] under both fed conditions. For the 2 lower empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablet strengths (12.5mg/1000 mg and 5mg/1000 mg), no bioequivalence studies were performed, and sponsor has requested a bio waiver to conduct clinical studies at these strengths.

Empagliflozin-Metformin DDI Study Results:

No DDI studies were conducted under this NDA. The drug-drug interaction study were conducted NDA 204629 (see Clinical Pharmacology review by Dr. Manoj Khurana in DARRTS dated 11/08/2013). In brief, co-administration of multiple daily doses of empagliflozin 50 mg with metformin 2000 mg, an organic cationic transporter (OCT) substrate, demonstrated that there is no drug-drug interaction between empagliflozin and metformin.

Figure 1: A) Ratios of Geometric Means and the 90% Confidence Intervals for the Pharmacokinetic Parameter of Empagliflozin and Metformin Following Co-administration of Empagliflozin 25 mg and Metformin 1000 mg and FDC XR Product (Empa 25/met XR 1000). B) Ratios of Geometric Means and the 90% Confidence Intervals for the Pharmacokinetic Parameter of Empagliflozin and Metformin Following Co-administration of Empagliflozin 10 mg and Metformin 1000 mg and FDC XR Product (Empa 10/met XR 1000).



In conclusion, the clinical pharmacology information of Synjardy[®] XR supports the recommendation of approval based on:

- The pivotal BE study results are acceptable from the clinical pharmacology perspective.
- The clinical comparability between metformin twice daily (Glucophage[®]) and once daily (Glumetza[®]) was shown in the original NDA for Glumetza[®], the metformin XR reference product for Synjardy[®] XR.

- The efficacy and safety of co-administration between empagliflozin and metformin twice daily (Glucophage[®]) has been adequately demonstrated as add-on (Jardiance[®]) and initial (Synjardy[®]) therapy.

2.2 Summary of Labeling Recommendations

The following are the labeling recommendations relevant to clinical pharmacology for NDA 208658. The ~~red-strikeout-font~~ is used to show the proposed text to be deleted and underline blue font to show text to be included or comments communicated to the sponsor.

Section 2.2 Recommended Dosages in Patients with Renal Impairment

- Assess renal function prior to initiation of TRADENAME and periodically, thereafter.

(b) (4)

- TRADENAME is contraindicated in patients with an eGFR less than 45 mL/min/1.73 m² [see Contraindications (4) and Warnings and Precautions (5.1, 5.4)].

Section 2.3 Discontinuation for Iodinated Contrast Imaging Procedures

- Discontinue SYNJARDY at the time of, or prior to, an iodinated contrast imaging procedure in patients with an eGFR between 45 and 60 mL/min/1.73 m²; in patients with a history of liver disease, alcoholism or heart failure; or in patients who will be administered intra-arterial iodinated contrast. Re-evaluate eGFR 48 hours after the imaging procedure; restart SYNJARDY if renal function is stable [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)].

Reviewer's Comment: The proposed changes above were done to make the current label consistent with the SYNJARDY label and the class labeling changes that are ongoing for metformin. All other sections of the label also needs to be updated with regards to dosing in patients with eGFR less than 45 mL/min/1.73 m²

Section 4 Contraindications

TRADENAME is contraindicated in patients with:

(b) (4)

- [Moderate to severe renal impairment \(eGFR less than 45 mL/min/1.73 m²\), end stage renal disease, or dialysis \[see Warnings and Precautions \(5.1, 5.4\) and Use in Specific Populations \(8.6\)\].](#)

Section 7.2 Drug Interactions with Metformin Hydrochloride

(b) (4)

[Drugs that Reduce Metformin Clearance](#)

[Concomitant use of drugs that interfere with common renal tubular transport systems involved in the renal elimination of metformin \(e.g., organic cationic transporter-2 \[OCT2\] / multidrug and toxin extrusion \[MATE\] inhibitors such as ranolazine, vandetanib, dolutegravir, and cimetidine\) could increase systemic exposure to metformin and may increase the risk for lactic acidosis \[see Clinical Pharmacology \(12.3\)\]. Consider dose adjustment and increased patient monitoring with concomitant use.](#)

[Alcohol](#)

[Alcohol is known to potentiate the effect of metformin on lactate metabolism. Warn patients against excessive alcohol intake while receiving TRADENAME.](#)

Reviewers Comments: The proposed changes above were done to make the current label consistent with the SYNJARDY label.

Section 12.6 Pharmacokinetics

(b) (4)

Administration of TRADE NAME with food resulted in no change in overall exposure of empagliflozin. For metformin extended-release high-fat meals increased systemic exposure (as measured by area-under-the-curve [AUC]) by approximately 70% relative to fasting, while C_{max} is not affected. Meals prolonged T_{max} by approximately 3 hours. (b) (4)

Reviewer's Comment: Not according to current Clinical Pharmacology labeling guidance. Comparative claims should be avoided in the label. Sponsor can describe the results of the BE study.

3 Comprehensive Clinical Pharmacology Review

3.1 Overview of the Product and Regulatory Background

The Synjardy[®] XR consists of a metformin HCl extended release tablet core that (b) (4) contains the immediate-release drug substance empagliflozin (Figure 2). Components and composition of formulations are summarized in Appendix 1. The tablets are oval shaped (b) (4) color of the film coat and by imprint as shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3: Schematic of the tablet and photographs of Synjardy[®] XR



- The 5 mg/1000 mg tablets are olive green coated. One side is printed with the BI company logo and “S5” on the top line and “1000 M” on the bottom line.
- The 10 mg/1000 mg tablets are orange coated. One side is printed with the BI company logo and “S10” on the top line and “1000 M” on the bottom line.
- The 12.5 mg/1000 mg tablets are blue coated. One side is printed with the BI company logo and “S12” on the top line and “1000 M” on the bottom line.
- The 25 mg/1000 mg tablets are light-green coated. One side is printed with the BI company logo and “S25” on the top line and “1000 M” on the bottom line

Product specific regulatory background

Sponsor had a pre-IND meeting (May 2011) and Type C meeting (December 2013) and pre NDA meeting (July 2015) for the development of this FDC product. In the Type C meeting dated December 2013 Agency agreed upon:

- Sponsor's proposal to conduct two bioequivalence (BE) studies for the empagliflozin + extended-release metformin FDC tablets
- Sponsor was advised to conduct the two planned BE studies under the more clinically relevant fed conditions instead of fasting conditions. Agency in its response noted that the bioequivalence studies conducted under fed conditions will generate useful information for the product label, negating the need for a separate food effect study.

In addition no Phase 3 clinical studies investigating the efficacy of empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC were conducted in this NDA. The sponsor is relying on existing clinical safety and efficacy data from clinical studies under following NDA:

- Empagliflozin (Jardiance[®]; NDA 204629),
- Empagliflozin/metformin IR (Synjardy[®] NDA 206111),
- Metformin XR (Glumetza[®] NDA 021748).

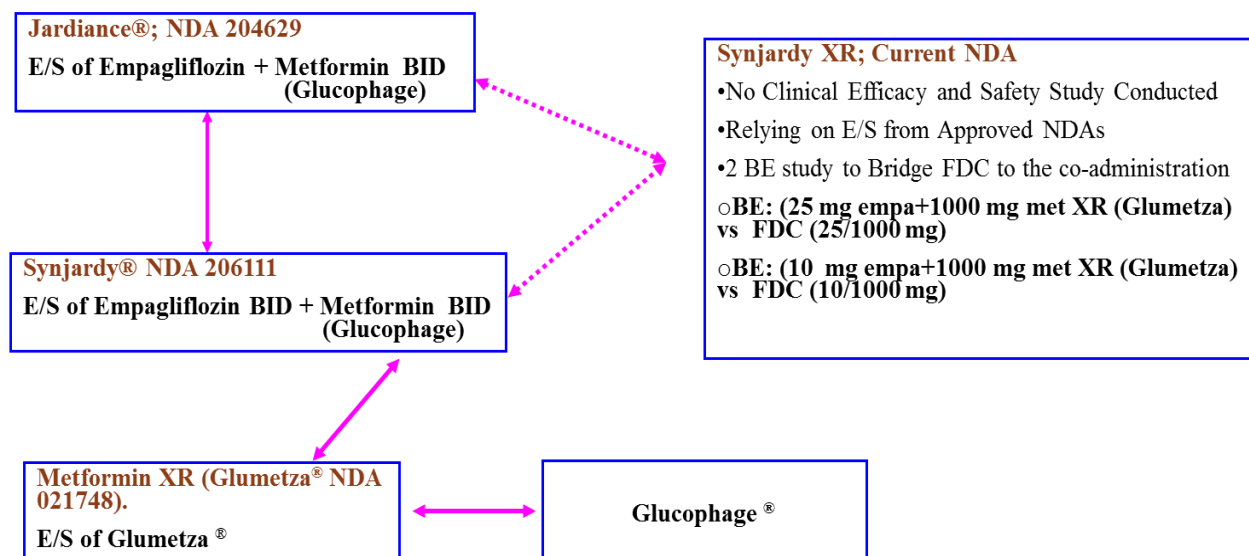
As shown in Figure 4, the efficacy and safety of empagliflozin given once daily as add-on to metformin IR given twice daily was adequately demonstrated in several Phase 3 studies under the original NDA for Jardiance[®] (empagliflozin) and Synjardy[®] NDA 206111 (Empagliflozin/metformin IR). In addition under the original NDA for Glumetza[®] (NDA 021748) safety and efficacy between the metformin XR and IR product have been established. Readers are referred to Clinical Pharmacology review of empagliflozin by Dr. Manoj Khurana dated 11/08/2013 and Clinical Pharmacology review of empagliflozin and metformin IR FDC by Dr. Sury Sista dated 04/15/2015 for further details on the safety and efficacy of empagliflozin and metformin when administered together.

To bridge the existing clinical safety and efficacy data sponsor in this NDA conducted two pivotal bioequivalence studies to demonstrate bioequivalence between the empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablets (Synjardy[®] XR) to the co-administration of the individual components (Jardiance[®] and Glumetza[®]).

Both pivotal studies were randomized, open-label, 2-way crossover design with a wash-out period of at least 7-days between the 2 treatments - empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablets (Synjardy[®] XR) or the co-administration of the individual components (Jardiance[®] and Glumetza[®]) administered orally as single dose in healthy men and women under fed conditions.

Figure 4: Schematic Summary of Pivotal Bridging Information Supporting Synjardy® XR

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3.2 Clinical Pharmacology Review Questions

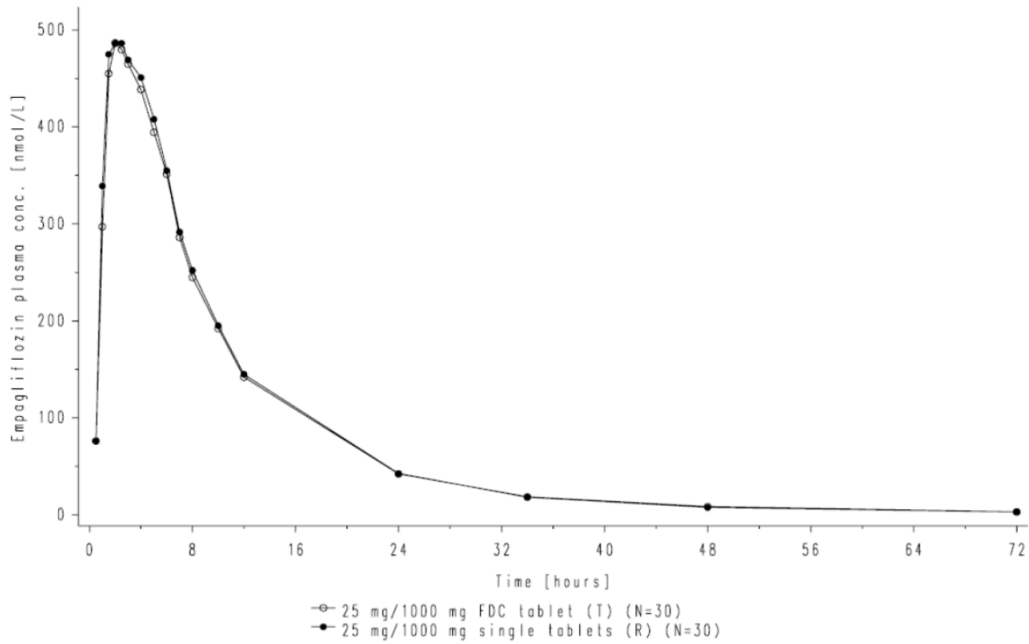
3.2.1 Does the available clinical pharmacology information provide the pivotal bridging?

Yes. Results of the two pivotal studies demonstrated the bioequivalence between empagliflozin/ metformin XR FDC tablet strengths 25 mg/1000 mg (study 1276.15) and 10 mg/1000 mg (study 1276.28) to the free combination of the individual components administered orally as single dose in healthy subjects under fed conditions.

Figure 5 shows the plasma concentration-time profile of empagliflozin and metformin following FDC-XR administration and co-administration of individual components at the highest dose strength of empagliflozin/metformin XR 25 mg/1000 mg. Pharmacokinetic parameters are also summarized in Table 2. Study results clearly demonstrates that the FDC-XR product in the pivotal BE study is bioequivalent to the individual metformin and empagliflozin tablets given concurrently. Table 2 shows 90% confidence intervals (CIs) of the ratios of geometric least square (LS) means for AUC_{0-t} , AUC_{0-inf} , and C_{max} were entirely contained within 0.80 to 1.25 for both empagliflozin and metformin at highest empagliflozin/metformin XR 25 mg/1000 mg dose strengths.

Figure 5: Plasma concentration time profile following oral administration of 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR either as FDC (T) or co-administration of empagliflozin and metformin Tablets (R) under fed condition in Study 1276.15. A) Plasma Concentration Time Profile of Empagliflozin (upper graph) B) Plasma Concentration Time Profile of Metformin (lower graph)

A)



B)

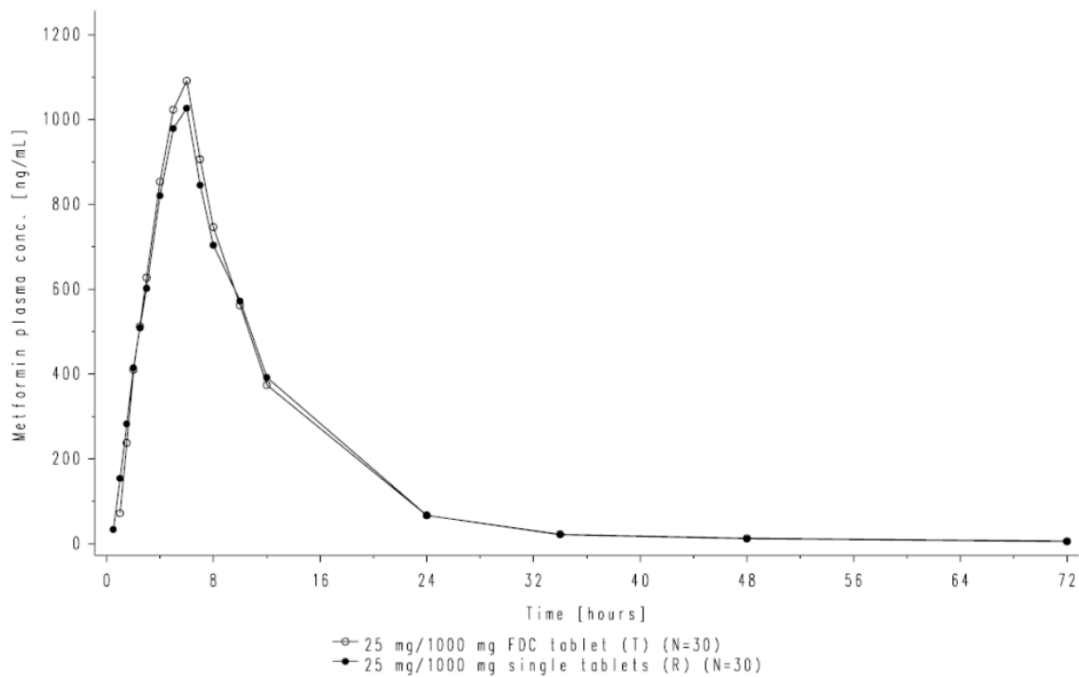


Table 2: Summary of Pharmacokinetic Parameters of Empagliflozin and Metformin Following Single Dose oral administration of 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR either as FDC (T) or Co-administration of Empagliflozin and Metformin Tablets (R) Administration in Fed Condition (Study 1276.15)

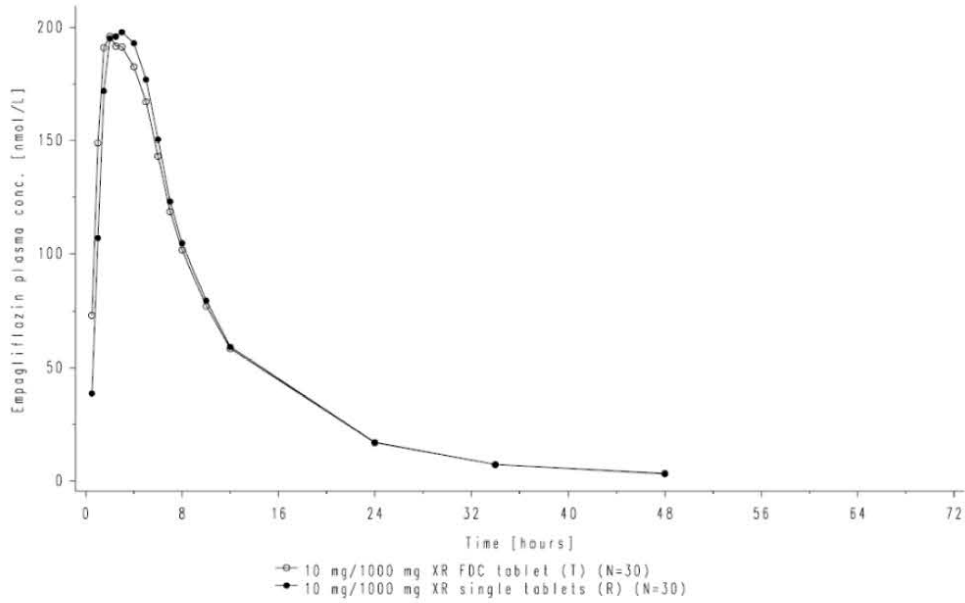
PK parameters	Geometric Least Squares Mean		Ratio T/R*100 (90% CI)
	Empagliflozin/Metformin 25 mg/1000 mg FDC tablets (Fed) (T)	Co-administration of Empagliflozin 25 mg + Metformin 1000 mg (Fed) (R)	
Empagliflozin			
C _{max} (ng/mL)	589.5	597.3	98.70 (93.51-104.17)
AUC _{0-last} (ng.hr/mL)	5373.6	5470.8	98.22 (96.11-100.39)
AUC _{0-inf} (ng.hr/mL)	5455.9	5549.1	98.32 (96.16 100.53)
Median T _{max} (hr) (Range min, max)	1.8 (0.5-6.0)	1.5 (1.0-6.0)	
Metformin			
C _{max} (ng/mL)	1118.9	1058.7	105.69 (100.78-110.84)
AUC _{0-last} (ng.hr/mL)	11008.1	10777	102.14 (98.65 105.76)
AUC _{0-inf} (ng.hr/mL)	11517.7	11005.1	104.66 (101.36-108.07)
Median T _{max} (hr) (Range min, max)	6.00 (5.0-7.0)	6.00 (4.0-7.0)	

Figure 6 shows the plasma concentration-time profile of empagliflozin and metformin following FDC-XR administration and co-administration of individual components of empagliflozin/metformin XR 10/1000 mg. Pharmacokinetic parameters are also summarized in Table 3. Study results clearly demonstrates that the FDC-XR product in the pivotal BE study is bioequivalent to the individual metformin and empagliflozin tablets given concurrently. Table 3 shows 90% confidence intervals (CIs) of the ratios of geometric least square (LS) means for AUC_{0-t}, AUC_{0-inf}, and C_{max} were entirely contained within 0.80 to 1.25 for both empagliflozin and metformin at empagliflozin/metformin XR 10/1000 mg dose strengths.

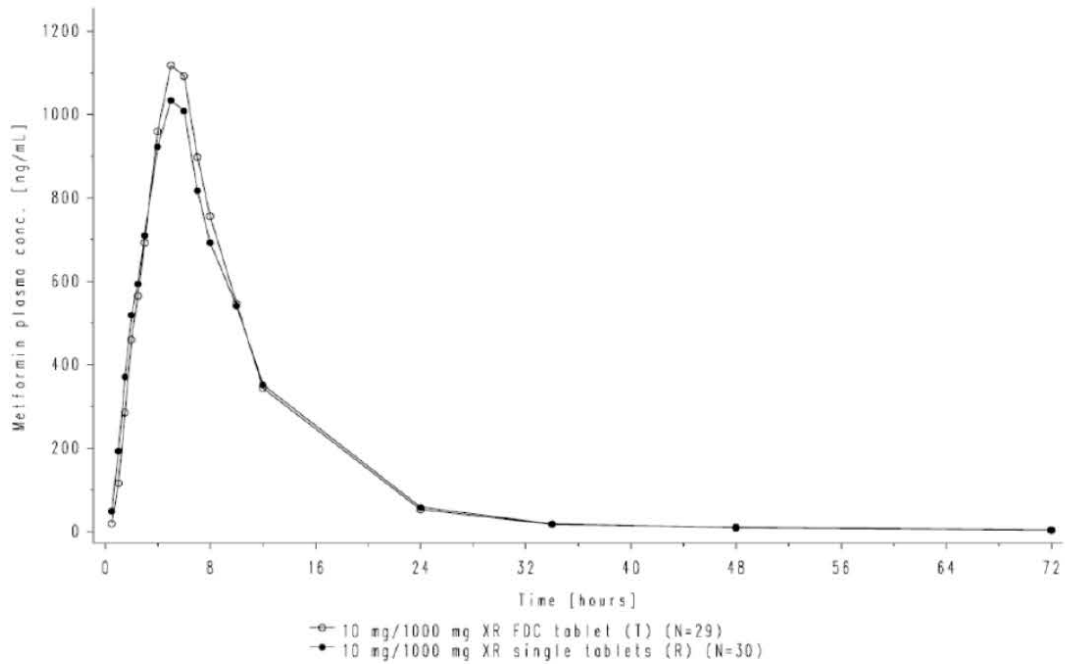
There were no notable protocol deviations in study 1276.15 and study 1276.28. Office of Study Integrity and Surveillance (OSIS) completed the inspection of the clinical portion of bioequivalence study 1276.28 and recommended that the data from the study 1276.28 be accepted for further agency review (See OSI memo by Dr. Mohsen Rajabi in DAARTS dated 10/17/2016).

Figure 6: Plasma concentration time profile following oral administration of 10 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR either as FDC (T) or co-administration of empagliflozin and metformin Tablets (R) under fed condition in Study 1276.28. A) Plasma Concentration Time Profile of Empagliflozin (upper graph) B) Plasma Concentration Time Profile of Metformin (lower graph)

A)



B)



Empagliflozin and metformin in human plasma was measured using a validated LC-MS/MS assay. Empagliflozin method was validated for a range of 1.11-1110 nmol/L (0.500 – 500 ng/mL). Metformin method was validated for a range of 1 ng/mL to 2500 ng/mL. A summary of key descriptive parameters for the bioanalytical assays used in clinical studies is listed in Appendix 4.1. Sponsor’s analytical method met the FDA guidance “Bioanalytical Method Validation” recommendations, and was therefore acceptable. The accuracy and precision of the assay was within the guidance acceptance limits. In addition, Office of Study Integrity and Surveillance (OSIS) completed the inspection of the analytical portion of bioequivalence studies 1276.28 and 1276.15 and recommended that the data analytical is reliable and recommends accepting the data for further Agency review (See OSIS memo by Dr. Sripal R. Mada in DAARTS dated 07/08/2016).

Table 3: Summary of Pharmacokinetic Parameters of Empagliflozin and Metformin Following Single Dose oral administration of 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR either as FDC (T) or Co-administration of Empagliflozin and Metformin Tablets (R) Administration in Fed Condition (Study 1276.15)

PK parameters	Geometric Least Squares Mean		Ratio T/R*100 (90% CI)
	Empagliflozin/Metformin 25 mg/100 mg FDC tablets (Fed) (T)	Co-administration of Empagliflozin 25 mg + Metformin 1000 mg(R)	
Empagliflozin			
C _{max} (ng/mL)	242.9	249.4	99.12 (93.69-104.87)
AUC _{0-last} (ng.hr/mL)	2192.6	2212.4	99.11 (96.4-101.89)
AUC _{0-inf} (ng.hr/mL)	2232.9	2258.0	98.89 (96.18- 101.67)
Median T _{max} (hr) (Range min, max)	1.5 (0.5-6.0)	1.5 (0.5-5.0)	
Metformin			
C _{max} (ng/mL)	1169.6	1077.9	108.58 (104.17-113.17)
AUC _{0-last} (ng.hr/mL)	10830.9	10697.3	101.25 (96.54-106.19)
AUC _{0-inf} (ng.hr/mL)	10975.4	10827.2	101.3 (96.54-106.45)
Median T _{max} (hr) (Range min, max)	5.02 (4.0-7.1)	5.02 (4.0-7.0)	

4 Appendix

4.1 Summary of Bioanalytical Method Validation and Performance

4.1.1 How are the active moieties identified and measured in the clinical pharmacology and Summary of Bioanalytical Method Validation and Performance

Empagliflozin:

Empagliflozin in human plasma was measured using a validated LC-MS/MS assay. The method was validated for a range of 1.11-1110 nmol/L (0.500 – 500 ng/mL), based on the analysis of 0.150 mL of sample. Briefly, empagliflozin and the internal standard [¹³C₆]-empagliflozin were extracted from human plasma by supported liquid extraction. After evaporation under nitrogen, the residue was reconstituted and analyzed by HPLC-MS/MS.

Metformin:

Metformin in human plasma was measured using a validated LC-MS/MS assay. The method was validated for a range of 1 ng/mL to 2500 ng/mL, based on the analysis of 0.05 mL of sample. Briefly, Metformin and the internal standard [D₆]-metformin were extracted from human plasma by protein precipitation method. A summary of key descriptive parameters for the bioanalytical assays used in clinical studies is listed in Table 4. Sponsor's analytical method met the FDA guidance "Bioanalytical Method Validation" recommendations, and was therefore acceptable. The accuracy and precision of the assay was within the guidance acceptance limits

Study Number/Report Number	Study Title	Analytical Laboratory	Assay Range	LLOQ	Accuracy	Precision
BE study 1276.15/Analytical Report #0016-14301-1	Quantification of Empagliflozin and Metformin in K3EDTA Human Plasma By LC-MS/MS	(b) (4)	Metformin 1 – 2500 ng/mL	Metformin 1 ng/mL	Metformin 97% - 104% at 3– 2000 ng/mL	Metformin 1.9% -8.1% at 3 – 2000 g/mL
BE study 1276.15/Analytical Report #0016-14301-1	Quantification of Empagliflozin and Metformin in K3EDTA Human Plasma By LC-MS/MS		Empagliflozin 0.5-500 ng/mL	Empagliflozin 0.5 ng/mL	Empagliflozin 99.8% - 107% at 1.5-2000 ng/mL	Empagliflozin 1.4% - 6.6% at 1.5-2000 ng/mL
BE study 1276.28/Analytical Report #0016-14249-1	Quantification of Empagliflozin and Metformin in K3EDTA Human Plasma By LC-MS/MS		Metformin 1 – 2500 ng/mL	Metformin 1 ng/mL	Metformin 99.8% - 103% at 3– 2000 ng/mL	Metformin 2.2-% -7.3% at 3 – 2000 g/mL
BE study 1276.28/Analytical Report #0016-14249-1	Quantification of Empagliflozin and Metformin in K3EDTA Human Plasma By LC-MS/MS		Empagliflozin 0.5-500 ng/mL	Empagliflozin 0.5 ng/mL	Empagliflozin 101% - 110% at 1.5-400 ng/mL	Empagliflozin 1.7% - 6% at 1.5-400 ng/mL

4.2 Qualitative and Quantitative Composition of Empagliflozin/Metformin HCl XR Coated Tablets

Ingredient	5 mg / 1000 mg	10 mg / 1000 mg	12.5 mg / 1000 mg	25 mg / 1000 mg	Function	Reference to Standards
	[mg / tablet]					
Tablet Core						
Metformin HCl ¹	1000.0	1000.0	1000.0	1000.0	Drug substance	USP
Polyethylene Oxide (b) (4)	(b) (4)				(b) (4)	NF ²
Hypromellose (b) (4) (b) (4)						USP
Magnesium Stearate						NF
Purified Water						USP
(b) (4)						
Empagliflozin	(b) (4)				(b) (4)	Company Standard
(b) (4)						Company Standard
Polyethylene Glycol (b) (4)						NF
Talc						USP
Purified Water						USP

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4.3 Individual Study Synopsis


Trial 1276.15 Study Synopsis



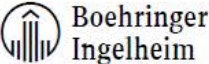
Clinical Trial Report

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BI Trial Number:	1276.15	
EudraCT Number:	2014-002016-17	
BI Investigational Products:	Jardiance® (empagliflozin, BI 10773) and empagliflozin/metformin extended release (XR) fixed dose combination (FDC)	
Title:	Bioequivalence of a fixed dose combination tablet of empagliflozin/metformin extended release (25 mg/1000 mg) compared with the free combination of empagliflozin and metformin extended release tablets in healthy subjects following a high-fat, high-caloric meal (an open-label, randomised, single dose, crossover trial)	
Clinical Phase:	I	
GCP Compliance:	Yes	USA 21 CFR 312.120: Yes
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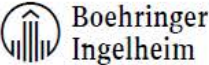
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BI Proprietary Name: Jardiance®		EudraCT No.: 2014-002016-17		
BI Investigational Products: Jardiance® (empagliflozin, BI 10773) and empagliflozin/metformin extended release (XR) fixed dose combination		Page: 1 of 5		
Report Date: 02 Jun 2015	Trial No. / Doc. No.: 1276.15 / c02998110-01	Dates of Trial: 18 Sep 2014 - 28 Oct 2014	Date of Revision: Not applicable	
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Title of Trial:	Bioequivalence of a fixed dose combination tablet of empagliflozin/metformin extended release (25 mg/1000 mg) compared with the free combination of empagliflozin and metformin extended release tablets in healthy subjects following a high-fat, high-caloric meal (an open-label, randomised, single dose, crossover trial)			
Principal Investigator:	Dr Fabian Müller			
Trial Site:	Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma GmbH & Co. KG Department of Translational Medicine & Clinical Pharmacology Human Pharmacology Centre Birkendorfer Straße 65, Biberach/Riß, Germany			
Publications:	Data from this trial have not been published at the time of this clinical trial report.			
Clinical Phase:	I			
Objective:	The objective of this trial was to investigate bioequivalence under fed conditions of 1 fixed dose combination (FDC) tablet of 25 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin extended release (XR) compared with the free combination of one 25 mg empagliflozin and two 500 mg metformin XR tablets administered as single dose.			
Methodology:	This was an open-label, randomised, 2-way crossover trial with 2 treatments (T and R) and 2 treatment sequences (T_R and R_T). Trial drug administrations of the 2 single dose treatments were separated by a washout period of at least 7 days.			
No. of Subjects:	Planned: Entered: 30 subjects Actual: Entered: 30 subjects (15 subjects in each of the 2 treatment sequences) <u>Treatment T (25 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin XR FDC):</u> Treated and analysed (for primary endpoints): 30 <u>Treatment R (25 mg empagliflozin + 2 x 500 mg metformin XR, single tablets):</u> Treated and analysed (for primary endpoints): 30			
Diagnosis:	Not applicable			

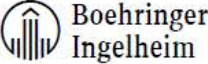
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Main Criteria for Inclusion:	Healthy male and female subjects at the age of 18 to 55 years and with a body mass index (BMI) of 18.5 to 29.9 kg/m ² were included.			
Test Product:	Empagliflozin/Metformin hydrochloride (HCl) XR, 25 mg/1000 mg film-coated FDC tablet			
Dose:	Single dose of 25 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin HCl XR (1 tablet) in treatment period T			
Mode of Admin.:	Oral with 240 mL of water after intake of a high-fat, high-caloric meal			
Batch No.:	B141002025			
Comparator Product 1:	Empagliflozin, 25 mg film-coated tablet			
Dose:	Single dose of 25 mg empagliflozin (1 tablet) together with comparator product 2 in treatment period R			
Mode of Admin.:	Oral with 240 mL of water after intake of a high-fat, high-caloric meal			
Batch No.:	107785			
Comparator Product 2:	Metformin HCl XR (Glumetza®), 500 mg film-coated tablet			
Dose:	Single dose of 1000 mg metformin HCl XR (2 tablets) together with comparator product 1 in treatment period R			
Mode of Admin.:	Oral with 240 mL of water after intake of a high-fat, high-caloric meal			
Batch No.:	B141001813			
Duration of Treatment:	Single dose administrations in each of the treatments, with trial drug administrations in the 2 treatments separated by a wash-out period of at least 7 days			

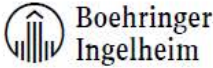
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Criteria for Evaluation:				
Clinical Pharmacology:		<p>The following pharmacokinetic parameters were analysed as primary endpoints: AUC_{0-t} and C_{max} for empagliflozin and metformin</p> <p>The following pharmacokinetic parameter was assessed as secondary endpoint: $AUC_{0-\infty}$ for empagliflozin and metformin</p> <p>Other endpoints are described in the clinical trial report body.</p>		
Safety:		<p>The evaluation of safety was based on monitoring of adverse events including clinically relevant findings from the physical examination, conducting safety laboratory tests, performing 12-lead electrocardiogram (ECG), and recording vital signs (blood pressure, pulse rate)</p>		
Statistical Methods:		<p>The assessment of bioequivalence was based on 2-sided 90% confidence intervals (CIs) for the ratios (test to reference treatment) of the geometric means (gMeans) of the primary endpoints, using an acceptance range of 80.00 to 125.00%. This method is equivalent to the two 1-sided t-tests procedure, each at the 5% significance level. The statistical model was an analysis of variance (ANOVA) on the logarithmic scale including effects for 'sequence', 'subjects within sequences', 'period', and 'treatment'. The CIs were calculated based on the residual error from ANOVA.</p> <p>Descriptive statistics were calculated for all endpoints.</p>		
SUMMARY - CONCLUSIONS:				
Trial Subjects and Compliance with Trial Protocol:		<p>A total of 30 subjects were entered into this trial and treated at a single centre (Human Pharmacology Centre, Biberach/Riß, Germany). All 30 subjects completed the trial observation time according to the clinical trial protocol. The treated subjects in this trial were 15 male and 15 female healthy white subjects. The mean age was 34.3 years, ranging from 22 to 52 years, and the mean BMI was 24.4 kg/m², ranging from 18.8 to 29.4 kg/m². Each of the 30 entered subjects received a total dose of 50 mg empagliflozin (corresponding to two 25 mg doses) and of 2000 mg metformin XR (corresponding to two 1000 mg doses) over the entire course of the trial.</p>		

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Safety Results:	<p>Out of 30 treated subjects, a total of 12 treated subjects (40.0%) reported at least 1 adverse event during the on-treatment periods (residual effect periods + post-treatment phases) of the trial. The most frequently reported adverse events overall at the SOC level were nervous system disorders (5 subjects, 16.7%), followed by gastrointestinal disorders, infections/infestations, and respiratory/thoracic/mediastinal disorders (2 subjects, 6.7%, each). On the preferred term level, the most frequent adverse events were headache (5 subjects, 16.7%) as well as nasopharyngitis, cough, and diarrhoea (2 subjects, 6.7% each). All other adverse events were reported by only 1 subject (3.3%) each.</p> <p>No adverse events leading to discontinuation of trial medication were reported in this trial. The investigator judged the adverse events (1 episode of 'decreased appetite' and 3 episodes of 'diarrhoea') of 3 subjects as related to the trial medication. One subject experienced a severe adverse event ('pain in extremity') during treatment period R (single tablets). All other reported adverse events were of mild or moderate intensity. No deaths, no serious adverse events, no other 'significant' adverse event according to ICH E3, and no adverse events of special interest (AESIs) were reported by any of the treated subjects during the on-treatment periods of the trial. Two subjects reported 1 episode each of project-defined AESI ('presyncope' in both cases due to insertion of the canula) during screening and therefore prior to the first trial drug administration.</p> <p>No clinically relevant findings regarding safety laboratory measurements, ECG recordings, physical examinations, and vital sign measurements were reported.</p>			
Conclusions:	<p>Bioequivalence in healthy male and female subjects under fed conditions was established between a newly developed FDC tablet, containing 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR and the free combination of 1 tablet containing 25 mg empagliflozin and 2 tablets containing 500 mg metformin XR each. For both empagliflozin and metformin, gMean ratios of FDC to single tablets for AUC₀₋₁₂ and C_{max} were close to 100% and the corresponding 90% CIs were within the bioequivalence acceptance criteria of 80.00 to 125.00%.</p> <p>Single-dose administration of 25 mg empagliflozin together with 1000 mg metformin XR, either as FDC tablet or as single tablets, was safe and well tolerated by the healthy male and female subjects in this trial.</p>			

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Clinical Pharmacology Results:

Following administration of 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR under fed conditions, geometric mean (gMean) plasma concentration-time profiles and pharmacokinetic parameters of empagliflozin and metformin were similar for the FDC (treatment T) and the free combination (treatment R). Adjusted gMean ratios of treatment T to treatment R (FDC to single tablets) for AUC_{0-tz}, C_{max}, and AUC_{0-∞} were close to 100% for both empagliflozin and metformin. The corresponding 90% CIs were all within the bioequivalence acceptance criteria of 80.00 to 125.00%. Therefore, bioequivalence (which was to be based on the primary endpoints AUC_{0-tz} and C_{max}) of both empagliflozin and metformin was demonstrated for the FDC tablet containing 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR compared with the free combination of the single tablets when administered under fed conditions. The results of the inferential analysis of the primary and secondary endpoints are given in Table 1.

Table 1: Analysis of relative bioavailability following administration under fed conditions of 25 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR either as FDC tablet or as single tablets

Analyte/ pharmaco- kinetic parameter	Adjusted gMean		Adjusted gMean ratio of FDC to single tablets [%]	90% CI of gMean ratio		Intra- individual gCV [%]
	FDC N=30	Single tablets N=30		Lower limit [%]	Upper limit [%]	
Empagliflozin						
AUC _{0-tz} [nmol·h/L]	5373.67	5470.86	98.22	96.11	100.39	5.0
C _{max} [nmol/L]	589.57	597.36	98.70	93.51	104.17	12.3
AUC _{0-∞} [nmol·h/L]	5455.92	5549.14	98.32	96.16	100.53	5.1
Metformin						
AUC _{0-tz} [ng·h/mL]	11 008.11	10 777.06	102.14	98.65	105.76	7.9
C _{max} [ng/mL]	1118.95	1058.72	105.69	100.78	110.84	10.9
AUC _{0-∞} [ng·h/mL]	11 517.77	11 005.13	104.66	101.36	108.07	7.3


Trial 1276.28 Study Synopsis




Clinical Trial Report

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BI Trial Number:	1276.28
EudraCT Number:	2014-002360-32
BI Investigational Products:	Jardiance® (empagliflozin, BI 10773) and empagliflozin/metformin extended release (XR) fixed dose combination (FDC)
Title:	Bioequivalence of a fixed dose combination tablet of empagliflozin/metformin extended release (10 mg/1000 mg) compared with the free combination of empagliflozin and metformin extended release tablets in healthy subjects following a high-fat, high-caloric meal (an open-label, randomised, single dose, crossover trial)
Clinical Phase:	I
GCP Compliance:	Yes USA 21 CFR 312.120: Yes
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Principal Investigator:	Dr Klaus Kammerer
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Date of Report:	13 July 2015
Dates of Trial:	From 07 November 2014 To 15 December 2014
Additional Reports:	None
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Title of Trial:	Bioequivalence of a fixed dose combination tablet of empagliflozin/metformin extended release (10 mg/1000 mg) compared with the free combination of empagliflozin and metformin extended release tablets in healthy subjects following a high-fat, high-caloric meal (an open-label, randomised, single dose, crossover trial)			
Principal Investigator:	Dr Klaus Kammerer			
Trial Site:	Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma GmbH & Co. KG Department of Translational Medicine & Clinical Pharmacology Human Pharmacology Centre Binger Straße 173, Ingelheim am Rhein, Germany			
Publications:	Data from this trial have not been published at the time of this clinical trial report.			
Clinical Phase:	I			
Objectives:	The objective of this trial was to investigate the bioequivalence under fed conditions of 1 fixed dose combination (FDC) tablet of 10 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin extended release (XR) compared with the free combination of one 10 mg empagliflozin and two 500 mg metformin XR tablets administered as single dose.			
Methodology:	This was an open-label, randomised, 2-way crossover trial with 2 treatments (T and R) and 2 treatment sequences (T_R and R_T). Trial drug administrations of the 2 single dose treatments were separated by a washout period of at least 7 days.			
No. of Subjects:	<p>Planned: Entered: 30 subjects</p> <p>Actual: Entered: 30 subjects (15 subjects in each of the treatment sequences)</p> <p><u>Treatment T (10 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin XR FDC):</u> Treated: 30 Analysed (for primary endpoint): 30 for empagliflozin, 29 for metformin</p> <p><u>Treatment R (10 mg empagliflozin + 2 x 500 mg metformin XR, single tablets):</u> Treated: 30 Analysed (for primary endpoint): 30 for empagliflozin, 30 for metformin</p>			
Diagnosis:	Not applicable			


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Main Criteria for Inclusion:	Healthy male and female subjects at the age of 18 to 55 years and with a body mass index (BMI) of 18.5 to 29.9 kg/m ² were included.			
Test Product:	Empagliflozin/Metformin hydrochloride (HCl) XR, 10 mg/1000 mg film-coated FDC tablet			
Dose:	Single dose of 10 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin HCl XR (1 tablet) in treatment period T			
Mode of Admin.:	Oral with 240 mL of water after intake of a high-fat, high-caloric meal			
Batch No.:	B141002925			
Comparator Product 1:	Empagliflozin, 10 mg film-coated tablet			
Dose:	Single dose of 10 mg empagliflozin (1 tablet) together with comparator product 2 in treatment period R			
Mode of Admin.:	Oral with 240 mL of water after intake of a high-fat, high-caloric meal			
Batch No.:	B141002726			
Comparator Product 2:	Metformin HCl XR (Glumetza®), 500 mg film-coated tablet			
Dose:	Single dose of 1000 mg metformin HCl XR (2 tablets) together with comparator product 1 in treatment period R			
Mode of Admin.:	Oral with 240 mL of water after intake of a high-fat, high-caloric meal			
Batch No.:	B141002731			
Duration of Treatment:	Single dose administrations in each of the treatments, with the trial drug administrations in the 2 treatments being separated by a washout period of at least 7 days.			

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Criteria for Evaluation:				
Clinical Pharmacology:		<p>The following pharmacokinetic parameters were analysed as primary endpoints: AUC₀₋₁₂ and C_{max} for empagliflozin and metformin</p> <p>The following pharmacokinetic parameter was assessed as secondary endpoint: AUC_{0-∞} for empagliflozin and metformin</p> <p>Other endpoints were calculated as appropriate.</p>		
Safety:		<p>The evaluation of safety was based on monitoring of adverse events including clinically relevant findings from the physical examination, conducting safety laboratory tests, performing 12-lead electrocardiogram (ECG), and recording vital signs (blood pressure, pulse rate)</p>		
Statistical Methods:		<p>The assessment of bioequivalence was based on 2-sided 90% confidence intervals (CIs) for the ratios (test to reference treatment) of the geometric means (gMeans) of the primary endpoints, using an acceptance range of 80.00 to 125.00%. This method is equivalent to the two 1-sided t-tests procedure, each at the 5% significance level. The statistical model was an analysis of variance (ANOVA) on the logarithmic scale including effects for 'sequence', 'subjects within sequences', 'period', and 'treatment'. The CIs were calculated based on the residual error from ANOVA.</p> <p>Descriptive statistics were calculated for all endpoints.</p>		
SUMMARY - CONCLUSIONS:				
Trial Subjects and Compliance with Trial Protocol:		<p>A total of 30 subjects were entered into this trial and treated at a single centre (Human Pharmacology Centre, Ingelheim, Germany). All 30 subjects completed the trial observation time according to the clinical trial protocol. The treated subjects in this trial were 16 male and 14 female healthy white subjects. The mean age was 33.6 years, ranging from 18 to 53 years, and the mean BMI was 24.6 kg/m², ranging from 18.8 to 29.4 kg/m². Each of the 30 entered subjects received a total dose of 20 mg empagliflozin (corresponding to two 10 mg doses) and of 2000 mg metformin XR (corresponding to two 1000 mg doses) over the entire course of the trial.</p>		

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**Clinical
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 Results:**

Following administration of 10 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR under fed conditions, geometric mean (gMean) plasma concentration-time profiles and pharmacokinetic parameters of empagliflozin and metformin were similar for the FDC (treatment T) and the free combination (treatment R). Adjusted gMean ratios of treatment T to treatment R (FDC to single tablets) for AUC₀₋₁₂, C_{max}, and AUC_{0-∞} were close to 100% for both empagliflozin and metformin. The corresponding 90% CIs were all within the bioequivalence acceptance criteria of 80.00 to 125.00%. Therefore, bioequivalence (which was to be based on the primary endpoints AUC₀₋₁₂ and C_{max}) of both empagliflozin and metformin was demonstrated for the FDC tablet containing 10 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin compared with the free combination of the single tablets when administered under fed conditions. The results of the inferential analysis of the primary and secondary endpoints are given in Table 1.

Table 1: Analysis of relative bioavailability following administration under fed conditions of 10 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR either as FDC tablet or as single tablets

Analyte/ pharmaco- kinetic parameter	Adjusted gMean ¹		Adjusted gMean ratio of FDC to single tablets [%]	90% CI of gMean ratio		Intra- individual gCV [%]
	FDC	Single tablets		Lower limit [%]	Upper limit [%]	
Empagliflozin (N=30 for FDC and single tablets)						
AUC ₀₋₁₂ [nmol·h/L]	2192.66	2212.43	99.11	96.40	101.89	6.3
C _{max} [nmol/L]	242.98	245.13	99.12	93.69	104.87	12.9
AUC _{0-∞} [nmol·h/L]	2232.92	2258.07	98.89	96.18	101.67	6.3
Metformin (N=29 for FDC and N=30 for single tablets)						
AUC ₀₋₁₂ [ng·h/mL]	10 830.90	10 697.31	101.25	96.54	106.19	10.7
C _{max} [ng/mL]	1169.60	1077.19	108.58	104.17	113.17	9.3
AUC _{0-∞} [ng·h/mL]	10 975.41	10 827.29	101.37	96.53	106.45	11.0

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Safety Results:	<p>Out of 30 treated subjects, a total of 14 treated subjects (46.7%) reported at least 1 adverse event during the on-treatment periods (residual effect periods + post-treatments phases) of the trial. The most frequently reported adverse events overall at the SOC level were nervous system disorders (7 subjects, 23.3%), followed by gastrointestinal disorders (5 subjects, 16.7%) and infections/infestations (2 subjects, 6.7%). On the preferred term level, the most frequent adverse events were headache (7 subjects, 23.3%) as well as diarrhoea, nausea, and nasopharyngitis (2 subjects, 6.7% each). All other adverse events were reported by only 1 subject (3.3%) each.</p> <p>No adverse events leading to discontinuation of trial medication were reported in this trial. The investigator judged the adverse events (headache, diarrhoea, dizziness, abdominal distension, nausea, and pollakiuria) of 10 subjects as related to the trial medication. All reported adverse events were of mild or moderate intensity. No deaths, no serious adverse events, and no other 'significant' adverse event according to ICH E3 were reported by any of the treated subjects during the on-treatment periods of the trial. One subject reported 1 episode (pollakiuria) of project-defined adverse events of special interest (AESI) during his first treatment period (FDC).</p> <p>No clinically relevant findings regarding safety laboratory measurements, ECG recordings, physical examinations, and vital sign measurements were reported.</p>			
Conclusions:	<p>Bioequivalence in healthy male and female subjects under fed conditions was established between a newly developed FDC tablet, containing 10 mg empagliflozin and 1000 mg metformin XR and the free combination of 1 tablet containing 10 mg empagliflozin and 2 tablets containing 500 mg metformin XR each. For both empagliflozin and metformin, gMean ratios of FDC to single tablets for AUC₀₋₁₂ and C_{max} were close to 100% and the corresponding 90% CIs were within the bioequivalence acceptance criteria of 80.00 to 125.00%.</p> <p>Single-dose administration of 10 mg empagliflozin together with 1000 mg metformin XR, either as FDC tablet or as single tablets, was safe and well tolerated by the healthy male and female subjects in this trial.</p>			

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Applicant	Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Submission Date	02/10/2015
Generic Name	Empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets	Brand Name	Synjardy® XR.
Drug Class	Fixed Dose Combination of SGLT-2 inhibitor and Metformin		
Indication	Indicated as an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus (b) (4)		
Dosage Regimen	Individualize the starting dose of TRADENAME based on the patient's current regimen: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In patients on metformin, switch to TRADENAME containing empagliflozin 10 mg with a similar total daily dose of metformin (b) (4) once daily. • In patients on empagliflozin, switch to TRADENAME containing metformin extended release 1000 mg with (b) (4) total daily dose of empagliflozin. • In patients already treated with empagliflozin and metformin, switch to TRADENAME containing (b) (4) 		
Dosage Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets • 10 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets • 12.5 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-re lease tablets • 25 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets 	Route of Administration	Oral
OCP Division	DCPII	OND Division	DMEP
OCP Review Team	Primary Reviewer(s)	Secondary Reviewer/ Team Leader	
Division	Ritesh Jain	Manoj Khurana (Acting)	
Pharmacometrics			
Genomics			
Review Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Priority <input type="checkbox"/> Expedited		
Filing Date	4/10/2015	74-Day Letter Date	4/22/2016
Review Due Date	11/4/2016	PDUFA Goal Date	12/9/2016
Application Fileability			
Is the Clinical Pharmacology section of the application fileable?			

Yes
 No
 If no list reason(s)

Are there any potential review issues/ comments to be forwarded to the Applicant in the 74-day letter?
 Yes
 No
 If yes list comment(s)

Is there a need for clinical trial(s) inspection?
 Yes
 No
 If yes explain: **OSI inspection is needed for the pivotal BE studies 1276.15 and 1276.28. Since both studies are conducted at same clinical and bioanalytical site, the OSI consult will have a note reflecting this fact.**

Clinical Pharmacology Package

Tabular Listing of All Human Studies Yes No Clinical Pharmacology Summary Yes No
 Bioanalytical and Analytical Methods Yes No Labeling Yes No

Clinical Pharmacology Studies

Study Type	Count	Comment(s)
In Vitro Studies		
<input type="checkbox"/> Metabolism Characterization		
<input type="checkbox"/> Transporter Characterization		
<input type="checkbox"/> Distribution		
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug-Drug Interaction		
In Vivo Studies		
Biopharmaceutics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Absolute Bioavailability		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relative Bioavailability	2	Studies 1276.13 and 1276.14 (Pilot Studies)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bioequivalence	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pivotal BE Study 1276.15: BE of 1 FDC tablet of 25 mg empagliflozin/ 1000 mg metformin XR versus co-administration of one 25 mg empagliflozin and two 500 mg metformin XR tablets administered as single dose under fed condition. • Pivotal BE Study 1276.28: BE of 1 FDC tablet of 10 mg empagliflozin/ 1000 mg metformin XR versus co-administration of one 10 mg empagliflozin and two 500 mg metformin XR tablets administered as single dose under fed condition.
<input type="checkbox"/> Food Effect		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		

Human Pharmacokinetics		
Healthy Subjects	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Dose	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dose	
Patients	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Dose	

<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dose		
<input type="checkbox"/> Mass Balance Study		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (e.g. dose proportionality)		
Intrinsic Factors		
<input type="checkbox"/> Race		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sex		
<input type="checkbox"/> Geriatrics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pediatrics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatic Impairment		
<input type="checkbox"/> Renal Impairment		
<input type="checkbox"/> Genetics		
Extrinsic Factors		
<input type="checkbox"/> Effects on Primary Drug		
<input type="checkbox"/> Effects of Primary Drug		
Pharmacodynamics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Subjects		
<input type="checkbox"/> Patients		
Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Subjects		
<input type="checkbox"/> Patients		
<input type="checkbox"/> QT		
Pharmacometrics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Population Pharmacokinetics		
<input type="checkbox"/> Exposure-Efficacy		
<input type="checkbox"/> Exposure-Safety		
Total Number of Studies	In Vitro	In Vivo
Total Number of Studies to be Reviewed		
		4
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Criteria for Refusal to File (RTF)		
RTF Parameter	Assessment	Comments
1. Did the applicant submit bioequivalence data comparing to-be-marketed product(s) and those used in the pivotal clinical trials?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
2. Did the applicant provide metabolism and drug-drug interaction information? (Note: RTF only if there is complete lack of information)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	Metabolism and drug-drug interaction studies are not conducted in this NDA. Sponsor is relying upon the approved NDA's for Glumetza and Synjardy for the metabolism and drug-drug interaction information.
3. Did the applicant submit pharmacokinetic studies to characterize the drug product, or submit a waiver request?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4. Did the applicant submit comparative bioavailability data between proposed drug	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	

product and reference product for a 505(b)(2) application?		
5. Did the applicant submit data to allow the evaluation of the validity of the analytical assay for the moieties of interest?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
6. Did the applicant submit study reports/rationale to support dose/dosing interval and dose adjustment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
7. Does the submission contain PK and PD analysis datasets and PK and PD parameter datasets for each primary study that supports items 1 to 6 above (in .xpt format if data are submitted electronically)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
8. Did the applicant submit the module 2 summaries (e.g. summary-clin-pharm, summary-biopharm, pharmkin-written-summary)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
9. Is the clinical pharmacology and biopharmaceutics section of the submission legible, organized, indexed and paginated in a manner to allow substantive review to begin? If provided as an electronic submission, is the electronic submission searchable, does it have appropriate hyperlinks and do the hyperlinks work leading to appropriate sections, reports, and appendices?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
Complete Application 10. Did the applicant submit studies including study reports, analysis datasets, source code, input files and key analysis output, or justification for not conducting studies, as agreed to at the pre-NDA or pre-BLA meeting? If the answer is 'No', has the sponsor submitted a justification that was previously agreed to before the NDA submission?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
Criteria for Assessing Quality of an NDA (Preliminary Assessment of Quality) Checklist		
Data		
1. Are the data sets, as requested during pre-submission discussions, submitted in the appropriate format (e.g., CDISC)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
2. If applicable, are the pharmacogenomic data sets submitted in the appropriate format?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
Studies and Analysis		
3. Is the appropriate pharmacokinetic information submitted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4. Has the applicant made an appropriate attempt to determine reasonable dose individualization strategies for this product (i.e., appropriately designed and analyzed dose-ranging or pivotal studies)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	

5. Are the appropriate exposure-response (for desired and undesired effects) analyses conducted and submitted as described in the Exposure-Response guidance?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
6. Is there an adequate attempt by the applicant to use exposure-response relationships in order to assess the need for dose adjustments for intrinsic/extrinsic factors that might affect the pharmacokinetic or pharmacodynamics?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
7. Are the pediatric exclusivity studies adequately designed to demonstrate effectiveness, if the drug is indeed effective?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
General		
8. Are the clinical pharmacology and biopharmaceutics studies of appropriate design and breadth of investigation to meet basic requirements for approvability of this product?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
9. Was the translation (of study reports or other study information) from another language needed and provided in this submission?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

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Indication and Dosage Administration: Boehringer Ingelheim (BI) is submitting this application for the fixed-dose combination (FDC) of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride extended-release (XR) for the treatment of adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus. The proposed indication is:

- As an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus

(b) (4)

Drug Molecule and Its Mechanism of Action: Empagliflozin is an approved (NDA204629) sodium dependent glucose co-transporter-2 (SGLT-2) inhibitor indicated as an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus. Metformin has been available for over 50 years as the first-line therapy for type 2 diabetes. Synjardy[®], a fixed dose combination product of **empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride IR** (NDA 206111), was approved in August 2015. In the current application, sponsor has developed a fixed dose combination of **empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride (HCl) XR** tablets for once-daily use in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus. The proposed dose strengths for empagliflozin and metformin HCl extended release fixed dose combination (FDC) tablets are 5mg / 1000mg, 10mg / 1000mg, 12.5mg / 1000mg, and 25mg / 1000mg. The proposed trade name is Synjardy[®] XR.

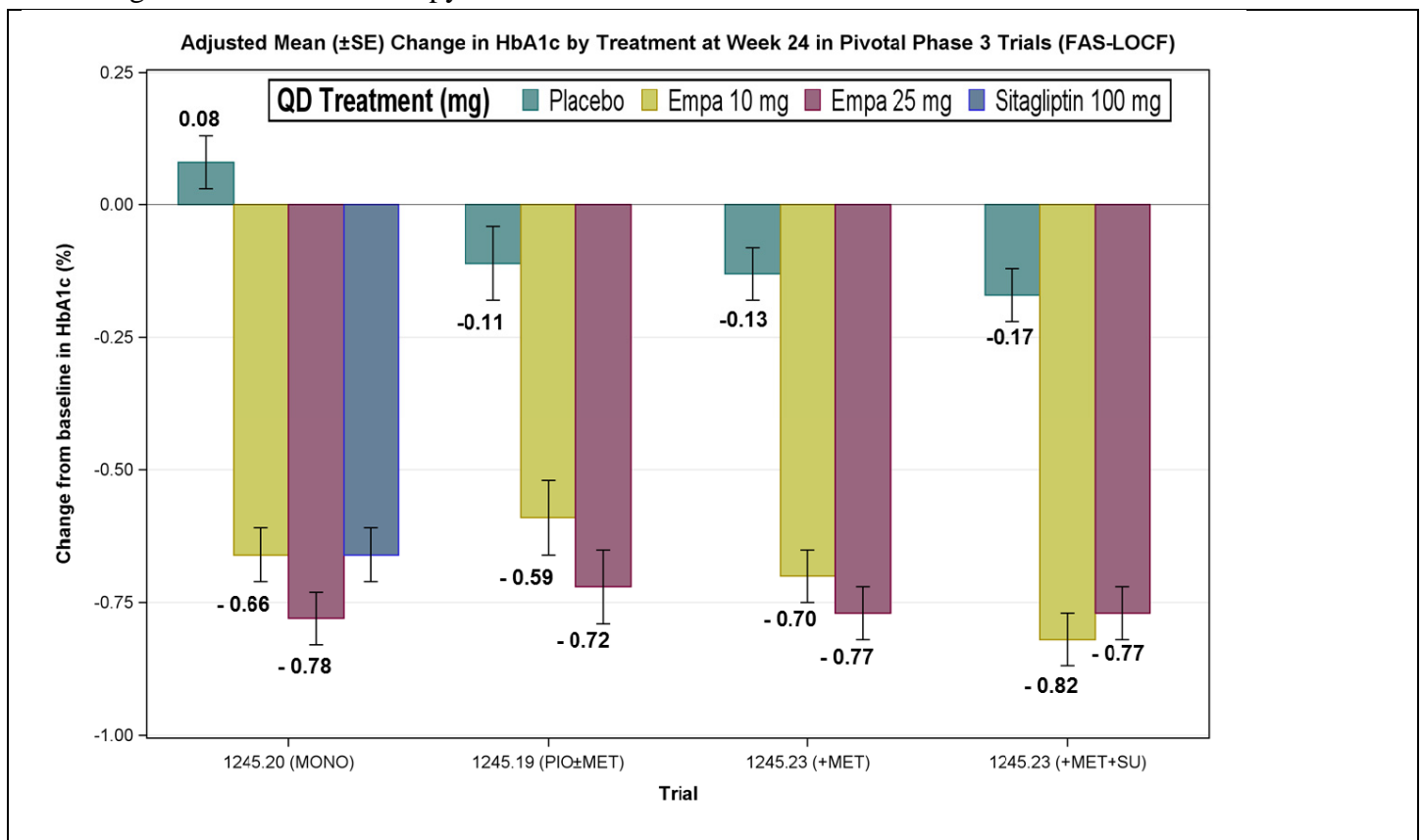
Regulatory History: Sponsor had a pre-IND meeting (May 2011) and Type C meeting (December 2013) and pre NDA meeting (July 2015) for the development of this FDC product. In the Type C meeting dated December 2013 Agency agreed upon:

- Sponsor’s proposal to conduct two bioequivalence (BE) studies for the empagliflozin + extended-release metformin FDC tablets
- Sponsor was advised to conduct the two planned BE studies under the more clinically relevant fed conditions instead of fasting conditions. Agency in its response noted that the bioequivalence studies conducted under fed conditions will generate useful information for the product label monograph, negating the need for a separate food effect study.

Clinical Program: No Phase 3 clinical trials were conducted in this NDA. The sponsor is relying on existing clinical safety and efficacy data from:

- Empagliflozin (Jardiance®; NDA 204629),
- Empagliflozin/metformin IR (Synjardy® NDA 206111),
- Metformin XR (Glumetza® NDA 021748).

As seen in figure below, mean change from baseline in HbA1c is greater when empagliflozin is co-administered with background metformin therapy.



Source: Figure Adopted from Clinical Pharmacology Review for NDA 204629

Clinical Pharmacology Program: The clinical development program for the empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC was designed to bridge the existing clinical efficacy and safety data by demonstrating bioequivalence of the empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablets to the free combinations of the individual components co-administered in healthy men and women in Phase I studies. To support registration, the application provides data demonstrating bioequivalence of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride extended release fixed dose combination tablets to the single entity components in healthy volunteers. Based on the intended posology,

these 4 empagliflozin strengths reflect a daily dose of either 10 mg or 25 mg empagliflozin, taken as 1 tablet per day (10/1000 mg or 25/1000 mg) to account for 1000 mg metformin XR daily or 2 tablets taken at the same time each day (5/1000 mg or 12.5/1000 mg) to account for 2000 mg metformin XR daily. Table below shows the overview of studies in the clinical program for empagliflozin/ metformin XR FDC.

BI study no. Report no.	Objective and description	Study part, Meal status	FDC dose tested (mg)	Free combination dose tested (mg)
1276.15 c02998110	Bioequivalence, single-dose, pivotal study	1, fed	Empa 25/met XR 1000	Empa 25 + 2x met XR 500
1276.28 c03125719	Bioequivalence, single-dose, pivotal study	1, fed	Empa 10/met XR 1000	Empa 10 + 2x met XR 500

Empa = empagliflozin; met = metformin

In this NDA, the empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablet strengths 25/1000 mg (1276.15) and 10/1000 mg (1276.28) were tested for bioequivalence in 2 pivotal studies. These pivotal studies were performed under fed conditions only with the highest XR FDC tablet strength formulation. For the 2 lower empagliflozin/metformin XR FDC tablet strengths (12.5/1000 mg and 5/1000 mg), no bioequivalence studies were performed, and sponsor is seeking a bio-waiver for these two formulation strengths.

Summary: This NDA is file able from Office of Clinical Pharmacology standpoint. OSI inspection is needed for the pivotal BE Studies. The Clinical Pharmacology Review for this NDA will focus on the following key review question:

1. Is co-administration of individual empagliflozin and metformin XR tablets bioequivalent to the FDC of empagliflozin and metformin XR?

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Synjardy XR (Proposed)
505(b)(1)

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Background: Synjardy XR

Indication:

- o Indicated as an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus (b) (4)

(b) (4)

Dosage and Administration:

- o Individualize the starting dose of TRADENAME based on the patient's current regimen:
 - o In patients on metformin, switch to TRADENAME containing empagliflozin 10mg with a similar total daily dose of metformin (b) (4) once daily.
 - o In patients on empagliflozin, switch to TRADENAME containing metformin extended release 1000 mg with (b) (4) total daily dose of empagliflozin.
 - o In patients already treated with empagliflozin and metformin, switch to TRADENAME containing (b) (4)

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Background: Synjardy XR

Dosage Form and Strengths:

- o 5 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets
- o 10 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets
- o 12.5 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets
- o 25 mg empagliflozin/1000 mg metformin hydrochloride extended-release tablets

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Overview: Clinical Program

- **The sponsor is relying on existing clinical safety and efficacy data from:**
 - Empagliflozin (Jardiance®; NDA 204629),
 - Empagliflozin/metformin IR (Synjardy® NDA 206111),
 - Metformin XR (Glumetza® NDA 021748).

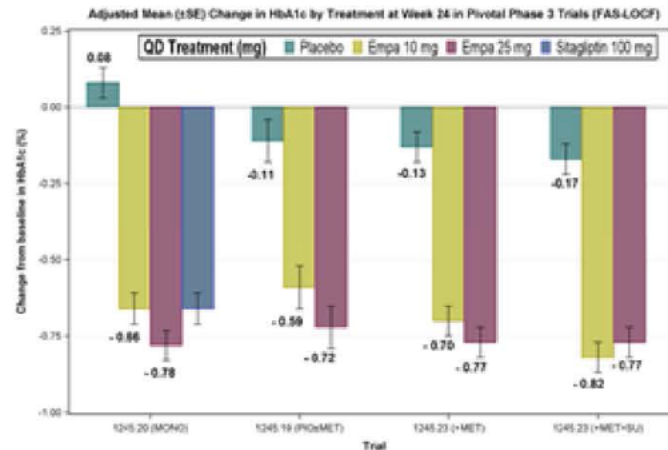


Figure Adopted from Clinical Pharmacology Review for NDA 204629

Overview: Clinical Pharmacology Program

- Program consists of 2 pilot and 2 pivotal BE studies:
 - **Pivotal BE Study 1276.15:** BE of 1 FDC tablet of 25 mg empagliflozin/ 1000 mg metformin XR versus co-administration of one 25 mg empagliflozin and two 500 mg metformin XR tablets administered as single dose under fed condition.
 - **Pivotal BE Study 1276.28:** BE of 1 FDC tablet of 10 mg empagliflozin/ 1000 mg metformin XR versus co-administration of one 10 mg empagliflozin and two 500 mg metformin XR tablets administered as single dose under fed condition.
- **Biowaiver requested for:**
 - 12.5 empa /1000 mg met XR.FDC
 - 5 empa /1000 mg met XR.FDC

BE Established Between FDC and Free Combination at 25/1000 mg and 10/1000 mg Strength

Table 2.1.1: 2 Statistical evaluations for bioequivalence in Study 1276.15 (tablet strength investigated: 25/1000 mg)

	Adjusted gMean ratio of FDC/free combination (90% CI) (%)	gCV (%)
Empagliflozin		
AUC ₀₋₂₄	98.22 (96.11, 100.39)	5.0
C _{max}	98.70 (93.51, 104.17)	12.3
Metformin		
AUC ₀₋₂₄	102.14 (98.65, 105.76)	7.9
C _{max}	105.69 (100.78, 110.84)	10.9

gCV = geometric coefficient of variation within subjects

Table 2.1.2: 2 Statistical evaluations for bioequivalence in study 1276.28 (tablet strength investigated: 10/1000 mg)

	Adjusted gMean ratio of FDC/free combination (90% CI) (%)	gCV (%)
Empagliflozin		
AUC ₀₋₂₄	99.11 (96.40, 101.89)%	6.3
C _{max}	99.12 (93.69, 104.87)%	12.9
Metformin		
AUC ₀₋₂₄	101.25 (96.54, 106.19)%	10.7
C _{max}	108.58 (104.17, 113.17)%	9.3

gCV = geometric coefficient of variation within subjects

Filability

- NDA is filable.
- OSI inspection for the 2 pivotal BE studies.

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IS THE CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY SECTION OF THE APPLICATION FILEABLE?

Yes No

If the NDA/BLA is not fileable from the clinical pharmacology perspective, state the reasons and provide comments to be sent to the Applicant.

Please identify and list any potential review issues to be forwarded to the Applicant for the 74-day letter.

Comments to Sponsor:

None

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11 April, 2016
Date

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