

5.6 New Onset or Worsening Renal Impairment

Renal impairment, including cases of acute renal failure and Fanconi syndrome (renal tubular injury with severe hypophosphatemia), has been reported with the use of tenofovir prodrugs in both animal toxicology studies and human trials. In clinical trials of SYMTUZA, there were no cases of proximal renal tubulopathy (PRT), including Fanconi syndrome, reported in the SYMTUZA group through Week 48. SYMTUZA is not recommended in patients with creatinine clearance below 30 mL per minute.

Patients taking tenofovir prodrugs who have impaired renal function and those taking nephrotoxic agents including non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs are at increased risk of developing renal-related adverse reactions.

Prior to or when initiating SYMTUZA and during treatment with SYMTUZA, on a clinically appropriate schedule, assess serum creatinine, estimated creatinine clearance, urine glucose, and urine protein in all patients. In patients with chronic kidney disease, also assess serum phosphorus. Discontinue SYMTUZA in patients who develop clinically significant decreases in renal function or evidence of Fanconi syndrome.

Cobicistat, a component of SYMTUZA, produces elevations of serum creatinine due to inhibition of tubular secretion of creatinine without affecting glomerular filtration. This effect should be considered when interpreting changes in estimated creatinine clearance in patients initiating SYMTUZA, particularly in patients with medical conditions or receiving drugs needing monitoring with estimated creatinine clearance. The elevation is typically seen within 2 weeks of starting therapy and is reversible after discontinuation. Patients who experience a confirmed increase in serum creatinine of greater than 0.4 mg/dL should be closely monitored for renal safety.

5.7 Sulfa Allergy

Darunavir contains a sulfonamide moiety. Monitor patients with a known sulfonamide allergy after initiating SYMTUZA. In clinical studies with darunavir co-administered with ritonavir, the incidence and severity of rash were similar in subjects with or without a history of sulfonamide allergy.

5.8 Lactic Acidosis/Severe Hepatomegaly with Steatosis

Lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis, including fatal cases, have been reported with the use of nucleoside analogs, including emtricitabine, a component of SYMTUZA, and TDF, another prodrug of tenofovir, alone or in combination with other antiretrovirals. Treatment with SYMTUZA should be suspended in any patient who develops clinical or laboratory findings suggestive of lactic acidosis or pronounced hepatotoxicity (which may include hepatomegaly and steatosis even in the absence of marked transaminase elevations).

5.9 Diabetes Mellitus/Hyperglycemia

New onset diabetes mellitus, exacerbation of pre-existing diabetes mellitus, and hyperglycemia have been reported during postmarketing surveillance in HIV infected patients receiving HIV protease inhibitor (PI) therapy. Some patients required either initiation or dose adjustments of insulin or oral hypoglycemic agents for treatment of these events. In some cases, diabetic

ketoacidosis has occurred. In those patients who discontinued PI therapy, hyperglycemia persisted in some cases. Because these events have been reported voluntarily during clinical practice, estimates of frequency cannot be made and causal relationships between HIV PI therapy and these events have not been established.

5.10 Fat Redistribution

Redistribution/accumulation of body fat, including central obesity, dorsocervical fat enlargement (buffalo hump), peripheral wasting, facial wasting, breast enlargement, and “cushingoid appearance” have been observed in patients receiving antiretroviral therapy. The mechanism and long-term consequences of these events are currently unknown. A causal relationship has not been established.

5.11 Hemophilia

There have been reports of increased bleeding, including spontaneous skin hematomas and hemarthrosis in patients with hemophilia type A and B treated with HIV protease inhibitors (PIs). In some patients, additional factor VIII was given. In more than half of the reported cases, treatment with HIV PIs was continued or reintroduced if treatment had been discontinued. A causal relationship between PI therapy and these episodes has not been established.

6. ADVERSE REACTIONS

The following adverse reactions are discussed in other sections of the labeling:

- Severe acute exacerbations of hepatitis B [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*]
- Hepatotoxicity [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*]
- Severe skin reactions [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)*]
- Immune reconstitution syndrome [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.5)*]
- New onset or worsening renal impairment [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.6)*]
- Lactic acidosis/severe hepatomegaly with steatosis [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.8)*]

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

Clinical Trials in Adults

Adverse Reactions in Adults with No Prior Antiretroviral Treatment History

The safety profile of SYMTUZA in HIV-1 infected adults with no prior antiretroviral treatment history is based on Week 48 data from the AMBER trial, a randomized, double-blind, active-controlled trial where a total of 362 subjects received SYMTUZA once daily and 363 subjects

received a combination of PREZCOBIX[®] (fixed-dose combination of darunavir and cobicistat) and fixed-dose combination of emtricitabine and tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (FTC/TDF).

The proportion of subjects who discontinued treatment with SYMTUZA or PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF due to adverse events, regardless of severity, were 2% and 4% respectively.

An overview of the most frequent (occurring in at least 2% of subjects) adverse reactions irrespective of severity reported in AMBER are presented in Table 1. An overview of the most frequent laboratory abnormalities of at least Grade 2 severity reported in AMBER are presented in Table 2. Changes from baseline in lipid parameters for patients receiving SYMTUZA and those receiving PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF are presented in Table 3.

Most adverse reactions during treatment with SYMTUZA were grade 1 or 2 in severity. One grade 3 adverse reaction was reported and no grade 4 adverse reactions were reported during treatment with SYMTUZA.

Table 1: Adverse Reactions Reported in \geq2% of HIV-1 Infected Adults With No Prior Antiretroviral Treatment History in AMBER (Week 48 Analysis)				
	SYMTUZA (N=362)		PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF (N=363)	
	All Grades	At least Grade 2	All Grades	At least Grade 2
Diarrhea	9%	2%	11%	2%
Rash ^a	8%	4%	7%	5%
Nausea	6%	1%	10%	3%
Fatigue	4%	1%	4%	1%
Headache	3%	1%	2%	1%
Abdominal discomfort	2%	-	4%	<1%
Flatulence	2%	<1%	1%	-

^a Includes pooled reported terms: dermatitis, dermatitis allergic, erythema, photosensitivity reaction, rash, rash generalized, rash macular, rash maculo-papular, rash morbilliform, rash pruritic, toxic skin eruption, urticaria

Adverse Reactions in Virologically-Suppressed Adults

The safety profile of SYMTUZA in virologically-suppressed HIV-1 infected adults is based on Week 48 data from 1,141 subjects in the EMERALD trial, a randomized, open-label, active-controlled trial where 763 subjects with a stable antiretroviral regimen consisting of a boosted protease inhibitor (bPI) [either darunavir once daily or atazanavir (both boosted with ritonavir or cobicistat), or lopinavir with ritonavir] combined with FTC/TDF switched to SYMTUZA, and 378 subjects who continued their treatment regimen of a bPI with FTC/TDF. Overall, the safety profile of SYMTUZA in subjects in this study was similar to that in subjects with no prior antiretroviral treatment history. The proportion of subjects who discontinued treatment with SYMTUZA due to adverse events, regardless of severity, was 1%.

Less Frequent Adverse Reactions

The following adverse reactions occurred in less than 2% of adults with no antiretroviral treatment history or virologically suppressed subjects receiving SYMTUZA, or are from studies described in the prescribing information of the individual component PREZISTA (darunavir).

Gastrointestinal Disorders: dyspepsia, pancreatitis (acute), vomiting

Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders: angioedema, pruritus, Stevens-Johnson syndrome

Metabolism and Nutrition Disorders: anorexia, diabetes mellitus, lipodystrophy

Reproductive System and Breast Disorders: gynecomastia

Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders: myalgia, osteonecrosis

Psychiatric Disorders: abnormal dreams

Immune System Disorders: (drug) hypersensitivity, immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome

Hepatobiliary Disorders: acute hepatitis

Laboratory Abnormalities

Table 2: Laboratory Abnormalities (Grade 2-4) Reported in $\geq 2\%$ of Adults With No Prior Antiretroviral Treatment History in AMBER (Week 48 Analysis)			
Laboratory Parameter Grade	Limit	SYMTUZA N=362	PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF N=363
Creatinine			
Grade 2	>1.3 to 1.8 x ULN	4%	14%
Grade 4	$\geq 3.5x$ ULN	<1%	0
Triglycerides			
Grade 2	301-500 mg/dL	7%	4%
Grade 3	501-1,000 mg/dL	1%	1%
Grade 4	>1,000 mg/dL	<1%	<1%
Total Cholesterol			
Grade 2	240-<300 mg/dL	17%	4%
Grade 3	≥ 300 mg/dL	2%	1%
Low-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol			
Grade 2	160-189 mg/dL	9%	4%
Grade 3	≥ 190 mg/dL	5%	1%
Elevated Glucose Levels			
Grade 2	126-250 mg/dL	6%	6%
Grade 3	251-500 mg/dL	<1%	0

ALT and/or AST elevations (Grade 2-4 combined) occurred in 2% of adult subjects receiving SYMTUZA with no antiretroviral treatment history in AMBER (Week 48 Analysis). Results were consistent in subjects receiving PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF.

Table 3: Lipid Values, Mean Change from Baseline, Reported in Adults With No Prior Antiretroviral Treatment History in AMBER (Week 48 Analysis)				
	SYMTUZA N=362		PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF N=363	
Mean^a	Baseline mg/dL	Week 48 Change	Baseline mg/dL	Week 48 Change
N^b	N=304^c		N=290	
Total cholesterol	168	+30	164	+11
HDL cholesterol	45	+6	44	+2
LDL cholesterol	100	+19	98	+5
Triglycerides	117	+34	112	+21
Total cholesterol to HDL ratio	4.1	0.2	4.0	0.1

^a The change from baseline is the mean of within-subject changes from baseline for subjects with both baseline and Week 48 values, or the last value carried forward prior to initiating lipid-lowering agent post-baseline.

^b N corresponds to the number of subjects with paired values and not on a lipid-lowering agent at screening/baseline. Subjects on lipid-lowering agents at screening/baseline were excluded from the analysis (6 out of 362 subjects on SYMTUZA, 8 out of 363 subjects on PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF). Subjects initiating a lipid-lowering agent post-baseline had their last fasted on-treatment value (prior to starting the agent) carried forward (6 on SYMTUZA, 2 on PREZCOBIX+FTC/TDF).

^c One subject did not have a Week 48 result for LDL cholesterol (n=303).

The percentage of subjects starting any lipid lowering drug during treatment in the SYMTUZA and PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF arm were 1.7% (n=6) and 0.6% (n=2), respectively.

Renal Laboratory Tests

In the AMBER trial, which enrolled 725 adults with no prior antiretroviral treatment history, subjects had a median baseline eGFR (estimated glomerular filtration rate) of 119 mL/min (SYMTUZA) and 118 mL/min (PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF). From baseline to Week 48, mean (SD) serum creatinine increased by 0.05 (0.10) mg/dL in the SYMTUZA group and by 0.09 (0.11) mg/dL in the PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF group. Median serum creatinine was 0.90 mg/dL (SYMTUZA) and 0.89 mg/dL (PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF) at baseline and 0.95 mg/dL (SYMTUZA) and 0.97 mg/dL (PREZCOBIX +FTC/TDF) at Week 48. Increases in serum creatinine occurred by Week 2 of treatment and remained stable. Median urine protein-to-creatinine ratio (UPCR) was 47 mg/g (SYMTUZA) and 51 mg/g (PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF) at baseline and 30 mg/g (SYMTUZA) and 34 mg/g (PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF) at Week 48.

In the EMERALD trial which had 1,141 virologically-suppressed adults treated with an HIV protease inhibitor and TDF containing regimen with a median baseline eGFR of 104 mL/min (SYMTUZA) and 103 mL/min (bPI+FTC/TDF) who were randomized to continue their treatment regimen or switch to SYMTUZA, at Week 48, mean serum creatinine was similar to baseline for both those continuing baseline treatment and those switching to SYMTUZA. Mean (SD) serum creatinine was 0.98 (0.18) mg/dL (SYMTUZA) and 0.98 (0.19) mg/dL (bPI+FTC/TDF) at baseline and 0.99 (0.18) mg/dL (SYMTUZA) and 0.99 (0.21) mg/dL (bPI+FTC/TDF) at Week 48. Median serum creatinine was 0.97 mg/dL (SYMTUZA) and 0.98 mg/dL (bPI+FTC/TDF) at baseline and 1.0 mg/dL (SYMTUZA) and 0.97 mg/dL (bPI+FTC/TDF) at Week 48. Median UPCR was 62 mg/g (SYMTUZA) and 63 mg/g (bPI+FTC/TDF) at baseline and 37 mg/g (SYMTUZA) and 53 mg/g (bPI+FTC/TDF) at Week 48.

Bone Mineral Density

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The effects of SYMTUZA compared to PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF on bone mineral density (BMD) change from baseline to Week 48 were assessed by dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry (DXA). The mean percentage change in BMD from baseline to Week 48 was -0.7% with SYMTUZA compared to -2.4% with PREZCOBIX+ FTC/TDF at the lumbar spine and 0.2% compared to -2.7% at the total hip. BMD declines of 5% or greater at the lumbar spine were experienced by 16% of SYMTUZA subjects and 22% of PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF subjects. BMD declines of 7% or greater at the femoral neck were experienced by 2% of SYMTUZA subjects and 15% of PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF subjects. The long-term clinical significance of these BMD changes is not known.

EMERALD

In EMERALD, bPI and TDF-treated subjects were randomized to continue their TDF-based regimen or switch to SYMTUZA; changes in BMD from baseline to Week 48 were assessed by DXA. The mean percentage change in BMD from baseline to Week 48 was 1.5% with SYMTUZA compared to -0.6% with bPI + FTC/TDF at the lumbar spine and 1.4% compared to -0.3% at the total hip. BMD declines of 5% or greater at the lumbar spine were experienced by 2% of SYMTUZA subjects and 9% of bPI + FTC/TDF subjects. BMD declines of 7% or greater at the femoral neck were experienced by no SYMTUZA subjects and 2% of bPI + FTC/TDF subjects. The long-term clinical significance of these BMD changes is not known.

Clinical Trials in Pediatric Patients

Adverse Reactions in Pediatric Patients Weighing At Least 40 kg

No clinical trials with SYMTUZA were performed in pediatric patients. However, the safety of the components of SYMTUZA was evaluated in pediatric subjects of 12 to less than 18 years of age through clinical trials GS-US-216-0128 (virologically-suppressed, N=7 with weight ≥ 40 kg) for darunavir co-administered with cobicistat and other antiretroviral agents, and GS-US-292-0106 (treatment-naïve, N=50 with weight ≥ 35 kg) for a fixed-dose combination regimen containing cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide together with elvitegravir. Safety analyses of the trials in these pediatric subjects did not identify new safety concerns compared to the known safety profile of SYMTUZA in adult subjects [*see Clinical Studies (14.3)*].

6.2 Postmarketing Experience

The following additional adverse reactions that may occur in patients taking SYMTUZA have been identified during postmarketing experience in patients receiving a darunavir-containing regimen. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

Metabolism and Nutrition Disorders:

redistribution of body fat

Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders:

rhabdomyolysis (associated with co-administration with HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors)

Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders:

toxic epidermal necrolysis, acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis, drug rash with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.3)*]

7. DRUG INTERACTIONS

7.1 Not Recommended With Other Antiretroviral Medications

SYMTUZA is a complete regimen for HIV-1 infection and co-administration with other antiretroviral medications for the treatment of HIV-1 infection is not recommended. For this reason, information regarding potential drug-drug interactions with other antiretroviral medications is not provided.

7.2 Potential for SYMTUZA to Affect Other Drugs

Darunavir co-administered with cobicistat is an inhibitor of CYP3A and CYP2D6. Cobicistat inhibits the following transporters: P-glycoprotein (P-gp), BCRP, MATE1, OATP1B1 and OATP1B3. Therefore, co-administration of SYMTUZA with drugs that are primarily metabolized by CYP3A and/or CYP2D6, or are substrates of P-gp, BCRP, MATE1, OATP1B1 or OATP1B3 may result in increased plasma concentrations of such drugs, which could increase or prolong their therapeutic effect and can be associated with adverse events (see Table 4).

7.3 Potential for Other Drugs to Affect SYMTUZA

Darunavir is metabolized by CYP3A. Cobicistat is metabolized by CYP3A and, to a minor extent, by CYP2D6. Co-administration of drugs that induce CYP3A activity are expected to increase the clearance of darunavir and cobicistat, resulting in lowered plasma concentrations which may lead to loss of therapeutic effect and development of resistance. Co-administration of SYMTUZA with other drugs that inhibit CYP3A may result in increased plasma concentrations of darunavir and cobicistat (see Table 4).

Tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) is a substrate of P-gp, BCRP, OATP1B1, and OATP1B3. Drugs that strongly affect P-gp activity may lead to changes in TAF absorption. Drugs that induce P-gp activity are expected to decrease the absorption of TAF, resulting in decreased plasma concentrations of TAF, which may lead to loss of therapeutic effect of SYMTUZA and development of resistance. Co-administration of SYMTUZA with other drugs that inhibit P-gp may increase the absorption and plasma concentrations of TAF (see Table 4).

7.4 Drugs Affecting Renal Function

Because emtricitabine and tenofovir are primarily excreted by the kidneys through glomerular filtration and active tubular secretion, co-administration of SYMTUZA with drugs that reduce renal function or compete for active tubular secretion may increase concentrations of emtricitabine, tenofovir, and other renally eliminated drugs and this may increase the risk of adverse reactions. Some examples of drugs that are eliminated by active tubular secretion include, but are not limited

to, acyclovir, cidofovir, ganciclovir, valacyclovir, valganciclovir, aminoglycosides (e.g., gentamicin), and high-dose or multiple NSAIDs [see Warnings and Precautions (5.6)].

7.5 Significant Drug Interactions

Table 4 provides a listing of established or potentially clinically significant drug interactions with SYMTUZA and recommended steps to prevent or manage these interactions. These recommendations are based on drug interaction trials conducted with the components of SYMTUZA, as individual agents or in combination, or are predicted interactions. No drug interaction trials have been performed with SYMTUZA or with all the components administered together. Drug interaction trials have been conducted with darunavir co-administered with ritonavir or cobicistat or with emtricitabine and tenofovir prodrugs. The table includes potentially significant interactions but is not all inclusive.

Table 4: Significant Drug Interactions		
Concomitant Drug Class: Drug Name	Effect on Concentration	Clinical Comment
Alpha 1-adrenoreceptor antagonist: alfuzosin	↑ alfuzosin	Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions such as hypotension.
Antibacterials: clarithromycin, erythromycin, telithromycin	↑ darunavir ↑ cobicistat ↑ antibacterial	Consider alternative antibiotics with concomitant use of SYMTUZA.
Anticancer agents: dasatinib, nilotinib vinblastine, vincristine	↑ anticancer agent	A decrease in the dosage or an adjustment of the dosing interval of dasatinib or nilotinib may be necessary when co-administered with SYMTUZA. Consult the dasatinib and nilotinib prescribing information for dosing instructions. For vincristine and vinblastine, consider temporarily withholding the cobicistat-containing antiretroviral regimen in patients who develop significant hematologic or gastrointestinal side effects when SYMTUZA is administered concurrently with vincristine or vinblastine. If the antiretroviral regimen must be withheld for a prolonged period, consider initiating a revised regimen that does not include a CYP3A or P-gp inhibitor.
Anticoagulants: <u>Direct Oral Anticoagulants (DOACs)</u> apixaban rivaroxaban betrixaban	↑ apixaban ↑ rivaroxaban ↔ betrixaban	Due to potentially increased bleeding risk, dosing recommendations for co-administration of apixaban with SYMTUZA depends on the apixaban dose. Refer to apixaban dosing instructions for co-administration with strong CYP3A and P-gp inhibitors in apixaban prescribing information. Co-administration of rivaroxaban with SYMTUZA is not recommended because it may lead to an increased bleeding risk.

dabigatran edoxaban	↔ dabigatran ↔ edoxaban	No dose adjustment is needed when betrixaban, dabigatran, or edoxaban is co-administered with SYMTUZA.
<u>Other Anticoagulants</u> warfarin	warfarin: effect unknown	Monitor international normalized ratio (INR) upon co-administration of SYMTUZA with warfarin.
Anticonvulsants: carbamazepine, phenobarbital, phenytoin	↓ cobicistat ↓ darunavir ↓ tenofovir alafenamide	Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for loss of therapeutic effect and development of resistance.
<u>Anticonvulsants with CYP3A induction effects that are NOT contraindicated:</u> e.g., eslicarbazepine, oxcarbazepine	↓ cobicistat ↓ tenofovir alafenamide darunavir: effect unknown	Consider alternative anticonvulsant or antiretroviral therapy to avoid potential changes in exposures. If co-administration is necessary, monitor for lack or loss of virologic response.
<u>Anticonvulsants that are metabolized by CYP3A:</u> e.g., clonazepam	↑ clonazepam	Clinical monitoring of anticonvulsants is recommended.
Antidepressants: <u>Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs):</u> e.g., paroxetine, sertraline	SSRIs: effects unknown	When co-administering with SSRIs, TCAs, or trazodone, careful dose titration of the antidepressant to the desired effect, including using the lowest feasible initial or maintenance dose, and monitoring for antidepressant response are recommended.
<u>Tricyclic Antidepressants (TCAs):</u> e.g., amitriptyline, desipramine, imipramine, nortriptyline	↑ TCAs	
<u>Other antidepressants:</u> trazodone	↑ trazodone	
Antifungals: itraconazole, isavuconazole, ketoconazole, posaconazole	↑ darunavir ↑ cobicistat	Monitor for increased darunavir or cobicistat and/or antifungal adverse reactions.
voriconazole	↑ itraconazole ↑ isavuconazole ↑ ketoconazole ↔ posaconazole (not studied) voriconazole: effects unknown	Specific dosing recommendations are not available for co-administration with these antifungals. Monitor for increased itraconazole or ketoconazole adverse reactions. Co-administration with voriconazole is not recommended unless benefit/risk assessment justifies the use of voriconazole.
Anti-gout: colchicine	↑ colchicine	Co-administration is contraindicated in patients with renal and/or hepatic impairment due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions. <u>For patients without renal or hepatic impairment:</u>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Treatment of gout flares – co-administration of colchicine</u>: 0.6 mg (1 tablet) ×1 dose, followed by 0.3 mg (half tablet) 1 hour later. Treatment course to be repeated no earlier than 3 days. • <u>Prophylaxis of gout flares – co-administration of colchicine</u>: If the original regimen was 0.6 mg twice a day, the regimen should be adjusted to 0.3 mg once a day. If the original regimen was 0.6 mg once a day, the regimen should be adjusted to 0.3 mg once every other day. • <u>Treatment of familial Mediterranean fever – co-administration of colchicine</u>: Maximum daily dose of 0.6 mg (may be given as 0.3 mg twice a day).
Antimalarial: artemether/lumefantrine	artemether: effect unknown lumefantrine: effect unknown	Monitor for a potential decrease of antimalarial efficacy or potential QT prolongation.
Antimycobacterials: rifampin	↓ cobicistat ↓ darunavir ↓ tenofovir alafenamide	Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for loss of therapeutic effect and development of resistance.
rifabutin	↑ rifabutin ↓ TAF cobicistat: effects unknown darunavir: effects unknown	Co-administration of SYMTUZA with rifabutin is not recommended. If the combination is needed, the recommended dose of rifabutin is 150 mg every other day. Monitor for rifabutin-associated adverse reactions including neutropenia and uveitis.
rifapentine	↓ darunavir ↓ TAF	Co-administration with rifapentine is not recommended.
Antipsychotics: lurasidone	↑ lurasidone	Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions.
pimozide	↑ pimozide	Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions such as cardiac arrhythmias.
e.g., perphenazine, risperidone, thioridazine	↑ antipsychotic	A decrease in the dose of antipsychotics that are metabolized by CYP3A or CYP2D6 may be needed when co-administered with SYMTUZA.
quetiapine	↑ quetiapine	<u>Initiation of SYMTUZA in patients taking quetiapine</u> : Consider alternative antiretroviral therapy to avoid increases in quetiapine exposure. If co-administration is necessary, reduce the quetiapine dose to 1/6 of the current dose and monitor for quetiapine-associated adverse reactions.

		<p>Refer to the quetiapine prescribing information for recommendations on adverse reaction monitoring.</p> <p><u>Initiation of quetiapine in patients taking SYMTUZA:</u> Refer to the quetiapine prescribing information for initial dosing and titration of quetiapine.</p>
<p>β-Blockers: e.g., carvedilol, metoprolol, timolol</p>	<p>↑ beta-blockers</p>	<p>Clinical monitoring is recommended for co-administration with beta-blockers that are metabolized by CYP2D6.</p>
<p>Calcium channel blockers: e.g., amlodipine, diltiazem, felodipine, nifedipine, verapamil</p>	<p>↑ calcium channel blockers</p>	<p>Clinical monitoring is recommended for co-administration with calcium channel blockers metabolized by CYP3A.</p>
<p>Cardiac Disorders: ranolazine, ivabradine</p> <p>dronedarone</p> <p><u>Other antiarrhythmics</u> e.g., amiodarone, disopyramide, flecainide, lidocaine (systemic), mexiletine, propafenone, quinidine</p> <p>digoxin</p>	<p>↑ ranolazine</p> <p>↑ dronedarone</p> <p>↑ antiarrhythmics</p> <p>↑ digoxin</p>	<p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions.</p> <p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions such as cardiac arrhythmias</p> <p>Clinical monitoring is recommended upon co-administration with antiarrhythmics.</p> <p>When co-administering with digoxin, titrate the digoxin dose and monitor digoxin concentrations.</p>
<p>Systemic/Inhaled/Nasal/Ophthalmic Corticosteroids: e.g., betamethasone budesonide ciclesonide dexamethasone fluticasone methylprednisolone mometasone triamcinolone</p>	<p>↓ darunavir ↓ cobicistat ↑ corticosteroids</p>	<p>Co-administration with systemic dexamethasone or other systemic corticosteroids that induce CYP3A may result in loss of therapeutic effect and development of resistance to SYMTUZA. Consider alternative corticosteroids.</p> <p>Co-administration with corticosteroids of which exposures are significantly increased by strong CYP3A inhibitors can increase the risk for Cushing's syndrome and adrenal suppression. Alternative corticosteroids including beclomethasone, prednisone, and prednisolone (for which PK and/or PD are less affected by strong CYP3A inhibitors relative to other steroids) should be considered, particularly for long term use.</p>
<p>Endothelin receptor antagonists: bosentan</p>	<p>↓ darunavir ↓ cobicistat ↑ bosentan</p>	<p><u>Initiation of bosentan in patients taking SYMTUZA:</u> In patients who have been receiving SYMTUZA for at least 10 days, start bosentan at 62.5 mg once daily or every other day based upon individual tolerability.</p> <p><u>Initiation of SYMTUZA in patients on bosentan:</u> Discontinue use of bosentan at least 36 hours prior to initiation of SYMTUZA. After at least 10 days</p>

		<p>following the initiation of SYMTUZA, resume bosentan at 62.5 mg once daily or every other day based upon individual tolerability.</p> <p><u>Switching from darunavir co-administered with ritonavir to SYMTUZA in patients on bosentan:</u> Maintain bosentan dose.</p>
<p>Ergot derivatives: e.g., dihydroergotamine, ergotamine, methylergonovine</p>	<p>↑ ergot derivatives</p>	<p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions such as acute ergot toxicity characterized by peripheral vasospasm and ischemia of the extremities and other tissues.</p>
<p>GI motility agent: cisapride</p>	<p>↑ cisapride</p>	<p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions such as cardiac arrhythmias.</p>
<p>Hepatitis C virus (HCV): <u>Direct-Acting Antivirals:</u> elbasvir/grazoprevir</p> <p>glecaprevir/pibrentasvir</p>	<p>↑ elbasvir/grazoprevir</p> <p>↑ glecaprevir ↑ pibrentasvir</p>	<p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for the increased risk of alanine transaminase (ALT) elevations.</p> <p>Co-administration of SYTMUZA with glecaprevir/pibrentasvir is not recommended.</p>
<p>Herbal product: St. John's wort (<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>)</p>	<p>↓ cobicistat ↓ darunavir ↓ tenofovir alafenamide</p>	<p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for loss of therapeutic effect and development of resistance.</p>
<p>Hormonal contraceptives:</p> <p>drosperinone/ethinylestradiol</p> <p>other progestin/estrogen contraceptives</p>	<p>↑ drosperinone ↓ ethinylestradiol</p> <p>progestin: effects unknown estrogen: effects unknown</p>	<p>Additional or alternative (non-hormonal) forms of contraception should be considered when estrogen based contraceptives are co-administered with SYMTUZA.</p> <p>For co-administration with drospirenone, clinical monitoring is recommended due to the potential for hyperkalemia.</p> <p>No data are available to make recommendations on co-administration with oral or other hormonal contraceptives.</p>
<p>Immunosuppressants: cyclosporine, sirolimus, tacrolimus</p> <p>Immunosuppressant /neoplastic: everolimus</p>	<p>↑ immunosuppressants</p>	<p>These immunosuppressant agents are metabolized by CYP3A. Therapeutic drug monitoring is recommended with concomitant use.</p> <p>Co-administration of everolimus and SYMTUZA is not recommended.</p>

irinotecan		Discontinue SYMTUZA at least 1 week prior to starting irinotecan therapy. Do not administer SYMTUZA with irinotecan unless there are no therapeutic alternatives.
Inhaled beta agonist: salmeterol	↑ salmeterol	Co-administration with salmeterol is not recommended and may result in increased risk of cardiovascular adverse events associated with salmeterol, including QT prolongation, palpitations, and sinus tachycardia.
Lipid modifying agents: <u>HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors:</u> lovastatin, simvastatin e.g., atorvastatin, fluvastatin, pitavastatin, pravastatin, rosuvastatin <u>Other lipid modifying agents:</u> lomitapide	↑ lovastatin ↑ simvastatin ↑ atorvastatin ↑ fluvastatin ↑ pravastatin ↑ rosuvastatin pitavastatin: effect unknown ↑ lomitapide	Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious reactions such as myopathy including rhabdomyolysis. For atorvastatin, fluvastatin, pitavastatin, pravastatin, and rosuvastatin, start with the lowest recommended dose and titrate while monitoring for safety. Dosage recommendations with atorvastatin or rosuvastatin are as follows: • atorvastatin dosage should not exceed 20 mg/day • rosuvastatin dosage should not exceed 20 mg/day Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for markedly increased transaminases associated with increased plasma concentrations of lomitapide.
Narcotic analgesics metabolized by CYP3A: e.g., fentanyl, oxycodone tramadol	↑ fentanyl ↑ oxycodone ↑ tramadol	Careful monitoring of therapeutic effects and adverse reactions associated with CYP3A-metabolized narcotic analgesics (including potentially fatal respiratory depression) is recommended with co-administration. A dose decrease may be needed for tramadol with concomitant use.
Narcotic analgesic for treatment of opioid dependence: buprenorphine, buprenorphine/naloxone, methadone	buprenorphine or buprenorphine/naloxone: effects unknown methadone: effects unknown	<u>Initiation of buprenorphine, buprenorphine/naloxone or methadone in patients taking SYMTUZA:</u> Carefully titrate the dose of buprenorphine, buprenorphine/naloxone or methadone to the desired effect; use the lowest feasible initial or maintenance dose. <u>Initiation of SYMTUZA in patients taking buprenorphine, buprenorphine/naloxone, or methadone:</u> A dose adjustment for buprenorphine, buprenorphine/naloxone, or methadone may be needed. Monitor clinical signs and symptoms.
Opioid Antagonist naloxegol	↑ naloxegol	Co-administration of SYMTUZA and naloxegol is contraindicated due to potential for precipitating opioid withdrawal symptoms.

<p>Phosphodiesterase PDE-5 inhibitors: e.g., avanafil, sildenafil, tadalafil, vardenafil</p>	<p>↑ PDE-5 inhibitors</p>	<p>Co-administration with avanafil is not recommended because a safe and effective avanafil dosage regimen has not been established.</p> <p>Co-administration with PDE-5 inhibitors may result in an increase in PDE-5 inhibitor-associated adverse reactions including hypotension, syncope, visual disturbances, and priapism.</p> <p><u>Use of PDE-5 inhibitors for pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH):</u> Co-administration with sildenafil used for PAH is contraindicated due to potential for sildenafil associated adverse reactions (which include visual disturbances, hypotension, prolonged erection, and syncope). The following dose adjustments are recommended for use of tadalafil with SYMTUZA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Initiation of tadalafil in patients taking SYMTUZA:</u> In patients receiving SYMTUZA for at least one week, start tadalafil at 20 mg once daily. Increase to 40 mg once daily based upon individual tolerability. • <u>Initiation of SYMTUZA in patients taking tadalafil:</u> Avoid use of tadalafil during the initiation of SYMTUZA. Stop tadalafil at least 24 hours prior to starting SYMTUZA. After at least one week following the initiation of SYMTUZA, resume tadalafil at 20 mg once daily. Increase to 40 mg once daily based upon individual tolerability. • <u>Patients switching from darunavir co-administered with ritonavir to SYMTUZA:</u> Maintain tadalafil dose. <p><u>Use of PDE-5 inhibitors for erectile dysfunction:</u> Sildenafil at a single dose not exceeding 25 mg in 48 hours, vardenafil at a single dose not exceeding 2.5 mg dose in 72 hours, or tadalafil at a single dose not exceeding 10 mg dose in 72 hours can be used with increased monitoring for PDE-5 inhibitor-associated adverse reactions.</p>
<p>Platelet aggregation inhibitor: ticagrelor</p>	<p>↑ ticagrelor</p>	<p>Co-administration of SYMTUZA and ticagrelor is not recommended.</p>
<p>Sedatives/hypnotics: orally administered midazolam, triazolam</p> <p>metabolized by CYP3A: e.g., buspirone, diazepam, estazolam, zolpidem</p>	<p>↑ midazolam ↑ triazolam</p> <p>↑ sedatives/hypnotics</p>	<p>Co-administration is contraindicated due to potential for serious and/or life-threatening reactions such as prolonged or increased sedation or respiratory depression.</p> <p>With concomitant use, titration is recommended with sedatives/hypnotics metabolized by CYP3A and a lower dose of the sedatives/hypnotics should be considered with monitoring for increased and prolonged effects or adverse reactions.</p>

parenterally administered midazolam		Co-administration of parenteral midazolam should be done in a setting that ensures close clinical monitoring and appropriate medical management in case of respiratory depression and/or prolonged sedation. Dose reduction for parenteral midazolam should be considered, especially if more than a single dose of midazolam is administered.
Urinary antispasmodics fesoterodine	↑ fesoterodine	When fesoterodine is co-administered with SYMTUZA, do not exceed a fesoterodine dose of 4 mg once daily.
solifenacin	↑ solifenacin	When solifenacin is co-administered with SYMTUZA, do not exceed a solifenacin dose of 5 mg once daily.

This table is not all inclusive

↑ = increase, ↓ = decrease, ↔ = no effect

8. USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

8.1 Pregnancy

Pregnancy Exposure Registry

There is a pregnancy exposure registry that monitors pregnancy outcomes in individuals exposed to SYMTUZA during pregnancy. Healthcare providers are encouraged to register patients by calling the Antiretroviral Pregnancy Registry (APR) at 1-800-258-4263.

Risk Summary

There are insufficient human data on the use of SYMTUZA in pregnant individuals from the APR to inform on a potential drug-associated risk of birth defects and miscarriage. Available data from the APR show no difference in rate of overall birth defects for darunavir and emtricitabine compared with the background rate for major birth defects of 2.7% in a U.S. reference population of the Metropolitan Atlanta Congenital Defects Program (MACDP) (*see Data*). The rate of miscarriage is not reported in the APR. The estimated background rate of miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies in the U.S. general population is 15-20%. The background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage for the indicated population is unknown.

The APR uses the MACDP as the U.S. reference population for birth defects in the general population. The MACDP evaluates pregnant individuals and infants from a limited geographic area and does not include outcomes for births that occurred at less than 20 weeks' gestation.

In animal reproduction studies, no adverse developmental effects were observed when the components of SYMTUZA were administered separately at darunavir exposures less than 1- (mice and rabbits) and 2.6-times (rats) higher, at cobicistat exposures 1.7- and 4.1-times higher (rats and rabbits respectively), at emtricitabine exposures 88- and 7.3- times higher (mice and rabbits, respectively), and tenofovir alafenamide exposures equal to or 85- times higher (rats and rabbits, respectively) than human exposures at the recommended daily dose of these components in SYMTUZA (*see Data*). No adverse developmental effects were seen when cobicistat was

administered to rats through lactation at cobicistat exposures up to 1.1 times the human exposure at the recommended therapeutic dose.

Clinical Considerations

Not Recommended During Pregnancy

SYMTUZA is not recommended for use during pregnancy because of substantially lower exposures of darunavir and cobicistat during pregnancy (*see Data*) and [*see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

SYMTUZA should not be initiated in pregnant individuals. An alternative regimen is recommended for individuals who become pregnant during therapy with SYMTUZA.

Data

Human Data

Darunavir/Cobicistat: Darunavir and cobicistat in combination with a background regimen was evaluated in a clinical trial of 7 pregnant individuals taking darunavir and cobicistat prior to enrollment and who were willing to remain on darunavir and cobicistat throughout the study. The study period included the second and third trimesters, and through 12 weeks postpartum. Six pregnant individuals completed the trial.

Exposure to darunavir and cobicistat as part of an antiretroviral regimen was substantially lower during the second and third trimesters of pregnancy compared with postpartum [*see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

One out of 6 pregnant individuals who completed the study experienced virologic failure with HIV-1 RNA >1,000 copies/mL from the third trimester visit through the postpartum period. Five pregnant individuals had sustained virologic response (HIV RNA <50 copies/mL) throughout the study period. There are no clinical data on the virologic response when darunavir and cobicistat are initiated during pregnancy.

Darunavir: Based on prospective reports to the APR of 679 live births following exposure to darunavir-containing regimens during pregnancy (including 425 exposed in the first trimester and 254 exposed in the second/third trimester), there was no difference in rate of overall birth defects for darunavir compared with the background rate for major birth defects in a U.S. reference population of the MACDP.

The prevalence of birth defects in live births was 2.1% (95% CI: 1.0% to 4.0%) with first trimester exposure to darunavir containing-regimens and 2.4% (95% CI: 0.9% to 5.1%) with second/third trimester exposure to darunavir-containing regimens.

Cobicistat: Insufficient numbers of pregnancies with exposure to cobicistat have been reported to the APR to estimate the rate of birth defects.

Emtricitabine: Based on prospective reports to the APR of 3749 exposures to emtricitabine-containing regimens during pregnancy (including 2614 exposed in the first trimester and 1135 exposed in the second/third trimester), there was no difference between emtricitabine and overall

birth defects compared with the background birth defect rate of 2.7% in the U.S. reference population of the MACDP. The prevalence of birth defects in live births was 2.3% (95% CI: 1.8% to 2.9%) with first trimester exposure to emtricitabine-containing regimens and 2.1% (95% CI: 1.4% to 3.1%) with the second/third trimester exposure to emtricitabine-containing regimens.

Tenofovir alafenamide: Insufficient numbers of pregnancies with exposure to tenofovir alafenamide have been reported to the APR to estimate the rate of birth defects.

Animal Data

Darunavir: Reproduction studies conducted with darunavir showed no embryotoxicity or teratogenicity in mice (doses up to 1000 mg/kg from gestation day (GD) 6-15 with darunavir alone) and rats (doses up to 1000 mg/kg from GD 7-19 in the presence or absence of ritonavir) as well as in rabbits (doses up to 1000 mg/kg/day from GD 8-20 with darunavir alone). In these studies, darunavir exposures (based on AUC) were higher in rats (2.6-fold), whereas in mice and rabbits, exposures were lower (less than 1-fold) compared to those obtained in humans at the recommended daily dose of darunavir in SYMTUZA.

Cobicistat: Cobicistat was administered orally to pregnant rats at doses up to 125 mg/kg/day on GD 6-17. Increases in post-implantation loss and decreased fetal weights were observed at a maternal toxic dose of 125 mg/kg/day. No malformations were noted at doses up to 125 mg/kg/day. Systemic exposures (AUC) at 50 mg/kg/day in pregnant females were 1.7 times higher than human exposures at the recommended daily dose of cobicistat in SYMTUZA.

In pregnant rabbits, cobicistat was administered orally at doses up to 100 mg/kg/day during GD 7-20. No maternal or embryo/fetal effects were noted at the highest dose of 100 mg/kg/day. Systemic exposures (AUC) at 100 mg/kg/day were 4.1 times higher than human exposures at the recommended daily dose of cobicistat in SYMTUZA.

In a pre/postnatal developmental study in rats, cobicistat was administered orally at doses up to 75 mg/kg from GD 6 to postnatal day 20, 21, or 22. At doses of 75 mg/kg/day, neither maternal nor developmental toxicity was noted. Systemic exposures (AUC) at this dose were 1.1 times the human exposures at the recommended daily dose of cobicistat in SYMTUZA.

Emtricitabine: Emtricitabine was administered orally to pregnant mice and rabbits (up to 1000 mg/kg/day) through organogenesis (on GD 6 through 15, and 7 through 19, respectively). No significant toxicological effects were observed in embryo-fetal toxicity studies performed with emtricitabine in mice at exposures approximately 88 times higher and in rabbits approximately 7.3 times higher than human exposures at the recommended daily dose of emtricitabine in SYMTUZA.

In a pre/postnatal development study, mice were administered doses up to 1000 mg/kg/day; no significant adverse effects directly related to drug were observed in the offspring exposed daily from before birth (*in utero*) through sexual maturity at daily exposures of approximately 88 times higher than human exposures at the recommended daily dose of emtricitabine in SYMTUZA.

Tenofovir Alafenamide (TAF): TAF was administered orally to pregnant rats (up to 250 mg/kg/day) and rabbits (up to 100 mg/kg/day) through organogenesis (on GD 6 through 17, and 7 through 20, respectively). No adverse embryo-fetal effects were observed in rats and rabbits

at TAF exposures approximately similar to (rats) and 85 times higher (rabbits) than the exposure in humans at the recommended daily dose. TAF is rapidly converted to tenofovir; the observed tenofovir exposure in rats and rabbits were 51 (rats) and 80 (rabbits) times higher than human tenofovir exposures at the recommended daily dose of TAF in SYMTUZA.

Since TAF is rapidly converted to tenofovir and a lower tenofovir exposure in rats and mice was observed after TAF administration compared to TDF (another prodrug of tenofovir) administration, a pre/postnatal development study in rats was conducted only with TDF. Doses up to 600 mg/kg/day were administered through lactation; no adverse effects were observed in the offspring on GD 7 [and lactation day 20] at tenofovir exposures of approximately 14 [21] times higher than the exposure in humans at the recommended daily dose of TDF.

8.2 Lactation

Risk Summary

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend that HIV-infected mothers in the United States must not breastfeed their infants to avoid risking postnatal transmission of HIV-1 infection.

Based on published data, emtricitabine has been shown to be present in human breast milk. There are no data on the presence of darunavir, cobicistat, or TAF in human milk, the effects on the breastfed infant, or the effects on milk production. Darunavir and cobicistat are present in the milk of lactating rats. Tenofovir has been shown to be present in the milk of lactating rats and rhesus monkeys after administration of TDF (*see Data*). Because of the potential for (1) HIV transmission (in HIV-negative infants), (2) developing viral resistance (in HIV-positive infants), and (3) serious adverse reactions in breastfed infants, instruct mothers not to breastfeed if they are receiving SYMTUZA.

Data

Animal Data

Darunavir: Studies in rats (with darunavir alone or with ritonavir) have demonstrated that darunavir is excreted in milk. In the rat pre- and post-natal development study, a reduction in pup body weight gain was observed due to exposure of pups to drug substances via milk. The maximal maternal plasma exposures achieved with darunavir (up to 1000 mg/kg with ritonavir) were approximately 66% of those obtained in humans at the recommended clinical dose of darunavir with ritonavir.

Cobicistat: During the pre/postnatal developmental toxicology study, at doses up to 75 mg/kg/day, mean cobicistat milk to plasma ratio of up to 1.9 was measured 2 hours after administration to rats on lactation day 10.

Tenofovir Alafenamide: Studies in rats and monkeys have demonstrated that tenofovir is excreted in milk. Tenofovir was excreted into the milk of lactating rats following oral administration of TDF (up to 600 mg/kg/day) at up to approximately 24% of the median plasma concentration in the highest dosed animals at lactation day 11. Tenofovir was excreted into the milk of lactating rhesus monkeys, following a single subcutaneous (30 mg/kg) dose of tenofovir at concentrations up to

approximately 4% of plasma concentration resulting in exposure (AUC) of approximately 20% of plasma exposure.

8.4 Pediatric Use

The safety and effectiveness of SYMTUZA for the treatment of HIV-1 infection in pediatric patients weighing at least 40 kg was established through studies with components of SYMTUZA. Use of SYMTUZA in this group is supported by evidence from adequate and well-controlled studies of SYMTUZA in adults with additional pharmacokinetic, safety, and virologic data from studies of components of SYMTUZA (Trials GS-US-216-0128 and GS-US-292-0106) in pediatric subjects with HIV-1 infection aged 12 to less than 18 years [see *Adverse Reactions (6.1)*, *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*, and *Clinical Studies (14.3)*].

The safety and effectiveness of SYMTUZA have not been established in pediatric patients weighing less than 40 kg.

Darunavir, a component of SYMTUZA is not recommended in pediatric patients below 3 years of age because of toxicity and mortality observed in juvenile rats dosed with darunavir.

Juvenile Animal Toxicity Data

Darunavir: In a juvenile toxicity study where rats were directly dosed with darunavir (up to 1000 mg/kg), deaths occurred from post-natal day 5 at plasma exposure levels ranging from 0.1 to 1.0 of the human exposure levels. In a 4-week rat toxicology study, when dosing was initiated on post-natal day 23 (the human equivalent of 2 to 3 years of age), no deaths were observed with a plasma exposure (in combination with ritonavir) 2 times the human plasma exposure levels.

8.5 Geriatric Use

Clinical trials of SYMTUZA included 35 subjects aged above 65 years of which 26 received SYMTUZA. No differences in safety or efficacy have been observed between elderly subjects and those aged 65 years or less. In general, caution should be exercised in the administration and monitoring of SYMTUZA in elderly patients, reflecting the greater frequency of decreased hepatic function and of concomitant disease or other drug therapy [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

8.6 Renal Impairment

SYMTUZA is not recommended in patients with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance below 30 mL per minute). No dosage adjustment of SYMTUZA is required in patients with creatinine clearance greater than or equal to 30 mL per minute [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

Cobicistat has been shown to decrease creatinine clearance without affecting actual renal glomerular function. Dosing recommendations are not available for drugs that require dosage adjustment for renal impairment when used in combination with SYMTUZA [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.6)*].

8.7 Hepatic Impairment

No dosage adjustment of SYMTUZA is required in patients with mild (Child Pugh Class A) or moderate (Child Pugh Class B) hepatic impairment. SYMTUZA has not been studied in patients

with severe hepatic impairment (Child Pugh Class C) and there are only limited data regarding the use of SYMTUZA components in this population. Therefore, SYMTUZA is not recommended for use in patients with severe hepatic impairment [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

10. OVERDOSAGE

Human experience of acute overdose with SYMTUZA is limited. There is no specific antidote for overdose with SYMTUZA. Treatment of overdose with SYMTUZA consists of general supportive measures including monitoring of vital signs and observation of the clinical status of the patient.

Since darunavir and cobicistat are highly bound to plasma proteins, it is unlikely that they will be significantly removed by hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis. Hemodialysis treatment removes approximately 30% of the emtricitabine dose over a 3-hour dialysis period starting within 1.5 hours of emtricitabine dosing (blood flow rate of 400 mL/min and a dialysate flow rate of 600 mL/min). Tenofovir is efficiently removed by hemodialysis with an extraction coefficient of approximately 54%. It is not known whether emtricitabine or tenofovir can be removed by peritoneal dialysis.

11. DESCRIPTION

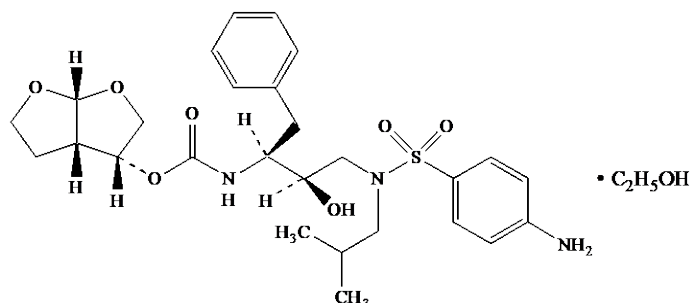
SYMTUZA (darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide) is a fixed-dose combination tablet.

- Darunavir is an inhibitor of the HIV-1 protease.
- Cobicistat is a mechanism-based inhibitor of cytochrome P450 (CYP) enzymes of the CYP3A family.
- Emtricitabine, a synthetic nucleoside analog of cytidine, is an HIV nucleoside analog reverse transcriptase inhibitor (HIV NRTI).
- Tenofovir alafenamide, an HIV NRTI, is converted *in vivo* to tenofovir, an acyclic nucleoside phosphonate (nucleotide) analog of adenosine 5'-monophosphate.

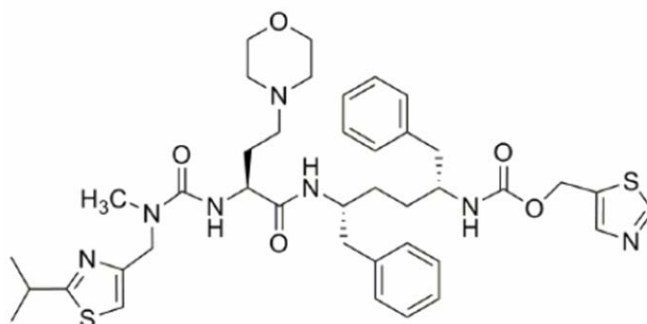
SYMTUZA tablets are for oral administration. Each tablet contains darunavir ethanolate equivalent to 800 mg of darunavir, 150 mg of cobicistat, 200 mg of emtricitabine, and 11.2 mg of tenofovir alafenamide fumarate equivalent to 10 mg of tenofovir alafenamide. The tablets include the following inactive ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, croscarmellose sodium, magnesium stearate, and microcrystalline cellulose. The tablets are film-coated with a coating material containing polyethylene glycol (macrogol), polyvinyl alcohol (partially hydrolyzed), talc, titanium dioxide, and yellow ferric oxide.

Darunavir: Darunavir, in the form of darunavir ethanolate, has the following chemical name: [(1*S*,2*R*)-3-[[4-aminophenyl)sulfonyl](2-methylpropyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-carbamic acid (3*R*,3*aS*,6*aR*)-hexahydrofuro[2,3-*b*]furan-3-yl ester

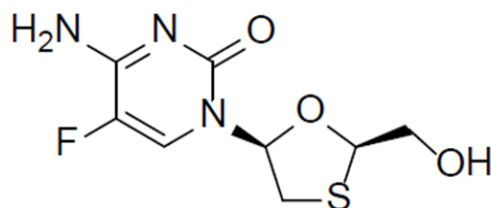
monoethanolate. Its molecular formula is $C_{27}H_{37}N_3O_7S \cdot C_2H_5OH$ and its molecular weight is 593.73. Darunavir ethanolate has the following structural formula:



Cobicistat: Cobicistat is adsorbed onto silicon dioxide. The chemical name for cobicistat is 1,3-thiazol-5-ylmethyl[(2*R*,5*R*)-5-[[[(2*S*)-2-[(methyl{2-(propan-2-yl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)methyl} carbamoyl)amino]-4-(morpholin-4-yl)butanoyl]amino]-1,6-diphenylhexan-2-yl]carbamate. It has a molecular formula of $C_{40}H_{53}N_7O_5S_2$ and a molecular weight of 776.02. It has the following structural formula:

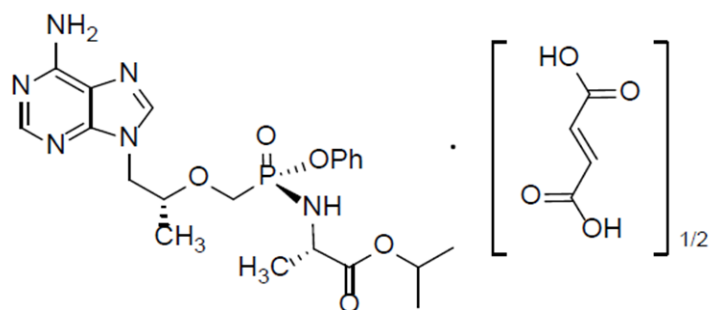


Emtricitabine: The chemical name of emtricitabine is 4-amino-5-fluoro-1-(2*R*-hydroxymethyl-[1,3]-oxathiolan-5*S*-yl)-(1*H*)-pyrimidin-2-one. Emtricitabine is the (-)enantiomer of a thio analog of cytidine, which differs from other cytidine analogs in that it has a fluorine in the 5 position. Emtricitabine has a molecular formula of $C_8H_{10}FN_3O_3S$ and a molecular weight of 247.24. It has the following structural formula:



Tenofovir alafenamide: The chemical name of tenofovir alafenamide fumarate drug substance is L-alanine, *N*-[(*S*)-[(1*R*)-2-(6-amino-9*H*-purin-9-yl)-1-methylethoxy]methyl]phenoxyphosphinyl]-,1-methylethyl ester, (2*E*)-2-butenedioate (2:1).

Tenofovir alafenamide fumarate has a molecular formula of $C_{21}H_{29}O_5N_6P \cdot \frac{1}{2}(C_4H_4O_4)$ and a formula weight of 534.50. It has the following structural formula:



12. CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 Mechanism of Action

SYMTUZA is a fixed-dose combination of antiretroviral drugs darunavir (plus the CYP3A inhibitor cobicistat), emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide [see *Microbiology (12.4)*].

12.2 Pharmacodynamics

Cardiac Electrophysiology

Thorough QT trials have been conducted for darunavir, cobicistat, and tenofovir alafenamide. The effect of emtricitabine or the combination regimen SYMTUZA on the QT interval has not been evaluated.

Darunavir: In a thorough QT/QTc study in 40 healthy subjects, darunavir doses (co-administered with 100 mg ritonavir) of approximately 2 times the recommended darunavir dose did not affect the QT/QTc interval.

Cobicistat: In a thorough QT/QTc study in 48 healthy subjects, a single dose of cobicistat 250 mg and 400 mg (1.67 and 2.67 times the dose in SYMTUZA) did not affect the QT/QTc interval. Prolongation of the PR interval was noted in subjects receiving cobicistat. The maximum mean (95% upper confidence bound) difference in PR from placebo after baseline-correction was 9.5 (12.1) msec for the 250 mg cobicistat dose and 20.2 (22.8) for the 400 mg cobicistat dose. Because the 150 mg cobicistat dose used in the SYMTUZA fixed-dose combination tablet is lower than the lowest dose studied in the thorough QT study, it is unlikely that treatment with SYMTUZA will result in clinically relevant PR prolongation.

Tenofovir alafenamide: In a thorough QT/QTc study in 48 healthy subjects, tenofovir alafenamide at the recommended dose or at a dose approximately 5 times the recommended dose did not affect the QT/QTc interval and did not prolong the PR interval.

Effects on Serum Creatinine

The effect of cobicistat on serum creatinine was investigated in a trial in subjects with normal renal function ($eGFR_{CG} \geq 80$ mL/min, N=12) and mild-to-moderate renal impairment ($eGFR_{CG}$ 50-

79 mL/min, N=18). A statistically significant decrease from baseline in the estimated glomerular filtration rate calculated by Cockcroft-Gault method (eGFR_{CG}) was observed after 7 days of treatment with cobicistat 150 mg among subjects with normal renal function (-9.9 ± 13.1 mL/min) and mild-to-moderate renal impairment (-11.9 ± 7.0 mL/min). No statistically significant changes in eGFR_{CG} were observed compared to baseline for subjects with normal renal function or mild-to-moderate renal impairment 7 days after cobicistat was discontinued. The actual glomerular filtration rate, as determined by the clearance of probe drug iohexol, was not altered from baseline during treatment with cobicistat among subjects with normal renal function and mild-to-moderate renal impairment, indicating that cobicistat inhibits tubular secretion of creatinine, reflected as a reduction in eGFR_{CG}, without affecting the actual glomerular filtration rate.

12.3 Pharmacokinetics

Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, and Excretion

The bioavailability of the components of SYMTUZA was not affected when administered orally as a split tablet compared to administration as a tablet swallowed whole.

Pharmacokinetic (PK) properties and PK parameters of the components of SYMTUZA are provided in Table 5 and Table 6, respectively.

Table 5: Pharmacokinetic Properties of the Components of SYMTUZA				
	Darunavir	Cobicistat	Emtricitabine	TAF
Absorption				
T _{max} (h)	3.0	3.0	1.5	0.5
Effect of high-fat meal ^a (compared to fasting)				
AUC _{last} LS mean ratio, 90% CI	1.52 (1.32-1.76)	1.41 (1.02-1.96)	1.00 (0.96-1.04)	1.12 (1.01-1.23)
C _{max} LS mean ratio, 90% CI	1.82 (1.55-2.14)	1.30 (0.94-1.80)	0.79 (0.71-0.89)	0.55 (0.42-0.71)
Distribution				
% bound to human plasma proteins	95 ^b	97-98	<4	~80
Source of protein binding data	<i>In vitro</i>	<i>In vitro</i>	<i>In vitro</i>	<i>Ex vivo</i>
Blood-to-plasma ratio	0.64	0.5	0.6	1.0
Metabolism				
Metabolism	CYP3A	CYP3A (major) CYP2D6 (minor)	Not significantly metabolized	Cathepsin A ^c (PBMCs) CES1 (hepatocytes) CYP3A (minimal)
Elimination				
t _{1/2} (h)	9.4	3.2	7.5	0.5 ^d
Major route of elimination	Metabolism	Metabolism	Glomerular filtration and active tubular secretion	Metabolism (>80% of oral dose)
% of dose excreted in feces ^e	79.5 ^f	86.2	13.7	31.7
% of dose excreted in urine ^e	13.9 ^f	8.2	70	<1

PBMCs = peripheral blood mononuclear cells; CES-1 = carboxylesterase-1

- ^a Approximately 928 kcal; 504 kcal from fat (56 g), 260 kcal from carbohydrates, and 164 kcal from protein.
- ^b Primarily alpha-1-acid glycoprotein
- ^c *In vivo*, TAF is hydrolyzed within cells to form tenofovir (major metabolite), which is phosphorylated to the active metabolite, tenofovir diphosphate. *In vitro* studies have shown that TAF is metabolized to tenofovir by cathepsin A in PBMCs and macrophages; and by CES1 in hepatocytes. Upon co-administration with the moderate CYP3A inducer probe efavirenz, TAF exposure was unaffected.
- ^d Note that the pharmacologically active metabolite tenofovir diphosphate has a half-life of 150-180 hours within PBMCs. Tenofovir in plasma has a median elimination half-life of approximately 44 hours.
- ^e Dosing in mass balance studies: darunavir (single dose administration of [¹⁴C] darunavir co-administered with multiple dose ritonavir 100 mg); cobicistat (single dose administration of [¹⁴C] cobicistat after multiple dosing of cobicistat for six days); emtricitabine (single dose administration of [¹⁴C] emtricitabine after multiple dosing of emtricitabine for ten days); TAF (single dose administration of [¹⁴C] TAF).
- ^f Unchanged darunavir accounted for approximately 41.2% and 7.7% of the administered dose in feces and urine, respectively.

Table 6: Steady State Pharmacokinetic Parameters of Darunavir, Cobicistat, Emtricitabine, Tenofovir Alafenamide (TAF) and its Metabolite Tenofovir Following Oral Administration of SYMTUZA with Food in HIV-Infected Adults

Parameter Mean (SD)	Darunavir		Cobicistat ^a	Emtricitabine ^a	TAF	Tenofovir ^a
C _{max} , ng/mL	8826 (33.3) ^a		1129 (35.3)	2056 (25.3)	163 (51.9) ^a	18.8 (37.6)
AUC _{24h} , ng.h/mL	87909 (20232) ^b	85972 (22413) ^c	8745 (43.9)	11918.0 (35.9)	132 (41) ^b	339 (37.1)
C _{0h} , ng/mL	1899 (759) ^b	1813 (859) ^c	31 (135)	93.1 (58.3)	NA	11.7 (39.3)

^a From Phase 2 PK substudy (N=21)

^b From population PK analysis in SYMTUZA Phase 3 study TMC114FD2HTX3001 in ARV naïve subjects (N=355)

^c From population PK analysis in SYMTUZA Phase 3 study TMC114IFD3013 in ARV experienced subjects (N=750)

Specific Populations

Geriatric Patients

Darunavir: Pharmacokinetic analysis in HIV-infected subjects taking darunavir co-administered with cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide showed no considerable differences in darunavir pharmacokinetics for ages below or equal to 65 years compared to ages greater than 65 years (N=25).

Cobicistat and Emtricitabine: The pharmacokinetics of cobicistat and emtricitabine have not been fully evaluated in the elderly (65 years of age and older).

Tenofovir alafenamide Population pharmacokinetics analysis of HIV-infected subjects in Phase 2 and Phase 3 trials of TAF combined with emtricitabine, elvitegravir, and cobicistat showed that age did not have a clinically relevant effect on exposures of TAF up to 75 years of age.

Pediatric Patients Weighing at Least 40 kg

Available pharmacokinetic data for the different components of SYMTUZA indicate that there were no clinically relevant differences in exposure between adults and pediatric subjects weighing at least 40 kg.

Darunavir and cobicistat: In pediatric subjects aged 12 to less than 18 years, weighing at least 40 kg who received darunavir 800 mg co-administered with cobicistat 150 mg (N=7), geometric mean

darunavir C_{max} values were similar between adults and pediatric subjects. Geometric mean darunavir AUC_{24h} and C_{24h} values were 15% and 32% lower, with geometric mean ratios of 0.85 (90% CI: 0.64, 1.13) and 0.68 (90% CI: 0.30, 1.55) in pediatric subjects relative to adults, respectively. These differences were not considered clinically significant. Geometric mean cobicistat AUC_{24h} , C_{max} , and C_{24h} values were comparable in pediatric subjects and adults (Table 7).

Table 7: Multiple-Dose PK Parameters of Darunavir and Cobicistat Following Administration of Darunavir with Cobicistat in HIV 1 Infected Adults and Pediatric Subjects Weighing at least 40 kg^a		
Parameter Geometric mean (CV%)	Darunavir	Cobicistat
Pediatric Subjects ^a	N=7	N=7
AUC_{24h} (mcg.hr/mL)	77.22 (29.5)	8.33 (34.9)
C_{max} (mcg/mL)	7.32 (21.7)	1.10 (20.0)
C_{24h} (mcg/mL)	0.68 (91.6)	0.02 (123.9) ^b
Adults ^c	N=21	N=21
AUC_{24h} (mcg.hr/mL)	90.56 (45.3)	7.69 (43.9)
C_{max} (mcg/mL)	8.34 (33.3)	1.04 (35.3)
C_{24h} (mcg/mL)	1.00 (108.0)	0.02 (135.1) ^d

CV = Coefficient of Variation; mcg = microgram

^a From intensive PK analysis of trial GS-US-216-0128, where HIV-infected subjects were administered darunavir 800 mg and cobicistat 150 mg once daily with 2 NRTIs

^b N=5; Data from two subjects who had undetectable cobicistat C_{24h} concentrations were excluded from summary statistics

^c From intensive PK analysis of trial GS-US-299-0102 where HIV-infected subjects were administered SYMTUZA once daily

^d N=18

Emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide: In 24 pediatric subjects aged 12 to less than 18 years, who received emtricitabine + TAF with elvitegravir + cobicistat, geometric mean emtricitabine C_{max} , and C_{24h} values were comparable to adults, with geometric mean ratios of 1.10 (90% CI: 0.98, 1.23) and 1.07 (90% CI: 0.88, 1.29), respectively (Table 8). Geometric mean emtricitabine AUC_{24h} was 21% higher, with a geometric mean ratio of 1.21 (90% CI: 1.09, 1.34) in pediatric subjects relative to adults. Geometric mean tenofovir alafenamide C_{max} and AUC_{last} values were 29% and 23% lower in pediatric subjects versus adults with geometric mean ratios of 0.71 (90% CI: 0.50, 1.00) and 0.77 (90% CI: 0.59, 1.02), respectively (Table 8). The observed differences were not considered clinically significant.

Table 8: Multiple-Dose PK Parameters of Emtricitabine and Tenofovir Alafenamide Following Oral Administration with Food in HIV 1 Infected Adults and Pediatric Subjects		
Parameter Geometric mean (CV%)	Emtricitabine	Tenofovir alafenamide
Pediatric Subjects ^a	N=24	N=24
AUC _{24h} (mcg.hr/mL) ^b	14.0 (23.9)	0.16 (55.8)
C _{max} (mcg/mL)	2.2 (22.5)	0.14 (64.4)
C _{24h} (mcg/mL)	0.10 (38.9) ^c	NA
Adults ^d	N=19	N=19
AUC _{24h} (mcg.hr/mL) ^b	11.6 (16.6)	0.21 (47.3)
C _{max} (mcg/mL)	2.0 (20.2)	0.19 (64.6)
C _{24h} (mcg/mL)	0.09 (46.7)	NA

CV = Coefficient of Variation; mcg = microgram; NA = not applicable

^a From intensive PK analysis in trial GS-US-292-0106 in treatment-naïve pediatric subjects with HIV-1 infection

^b AUC_{last} for tenofovir alafenamide

^c N=23

^d From intensive PK analysis in trial GS-US-292-0102 in HIV-infected adults treated with emtricitabine+tenofovir alafenamide and elvitegravir+cobicistat

Gender and Race

There were no clinically relevant differences in the pharmacokinetics of darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, or tenofovir alafenamide based on gender or race.

Patients with Renal Impairment

Darunavir: The pharmacokinetics of darunavir were not altered in HIV-1 infected subjects with moderate renal impairment taking darunavir co-administered with ritonavir (creatinine clearance between 30-60 mL/min, estimated by Cockcroft-Gault method, N=20). There are no pharmacokinetic data available in HIV-1 infected patients with severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease taking darunavir co-administered with cobicistat [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.6)].

Cobicistat: There were no clinically relevant differences in cobicistat pharmacokinetics observed between subjects with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance below 30 mL/min, estimated by Cockcroft-Gault method) and healthy subjects [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.6)].

Emtricitabine: Mean systemic emtricitabine exposure was higher in patients with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min, estimated by Cockcroft-Gault method) than in subjects with normal renal function [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.6)].

Tenofovir alafenamide: In studies of TAF, no clinically relevant differences in the pharmacokinetics of TAF or its metabolite tenofovir were observed between subjects with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance of 15-30 mL/min, estimated by Cockcroft-Gault method) and healthy subjects [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.6)].

Patients with Hepatic Impairment

Darunavir: There were no clinically relevant differences in the pharmacokinetics of darunavir (600 mg with ritonavir 100 mg twice daily) in subjects with mild hepatic impairment (Child Pugh Class A, n=8), and moderate hepatic impairment (Child Pugh Class B, n=8), compared to subjects with normal hepatic function (n=16). The effect of severe hepatic impairment on the pharmacokinetics of darunavir has not been evaluated [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.7)*].

Cobicistat: There were no clinically relevant differences in the cobicistat pharmacokinetics between subjects with moderate hepatic impairment (Child Pugh Class B) and healthy subjects. The effect of severe hepatic impairment on the pharmacokinetics of cobicistat has not been evaluated [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.7)*].

Emtricitabine: The pharmacokinetics of emtricitabine have not been studied in subjects with hepatic impairment; however, emtricitabine is not significantly metabolized by liver enzymes, so the impact of hepatic impairment should be limited [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.7)*].

Tenofovir Alafenamide: Clinically relevant changes in the pharmacokinetics of tenofovir alafenamide or its metabolite tenofovir were not observed in patients with mild, moderate (Child-Pugh Class A and B), or severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class C); [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.7)*].

Patients with Hepatitis B and/or Hepatitis C Virus Coinfection

Darunavir: In HIV-infected subjects taking darunavir co-administered with ritonavir, the 48-week analysis of the data from clinical trials indicated that hepatitis B and/or hepatitis C virus coinfection status had no apparent effect on the exposure of darunavir.

Cobicistat: There were insufficient pharmacokinetic data in the clinical trials to determine the effect of hepatitis B and/or C virus infection on the pharmacokinetics of cobicistat.

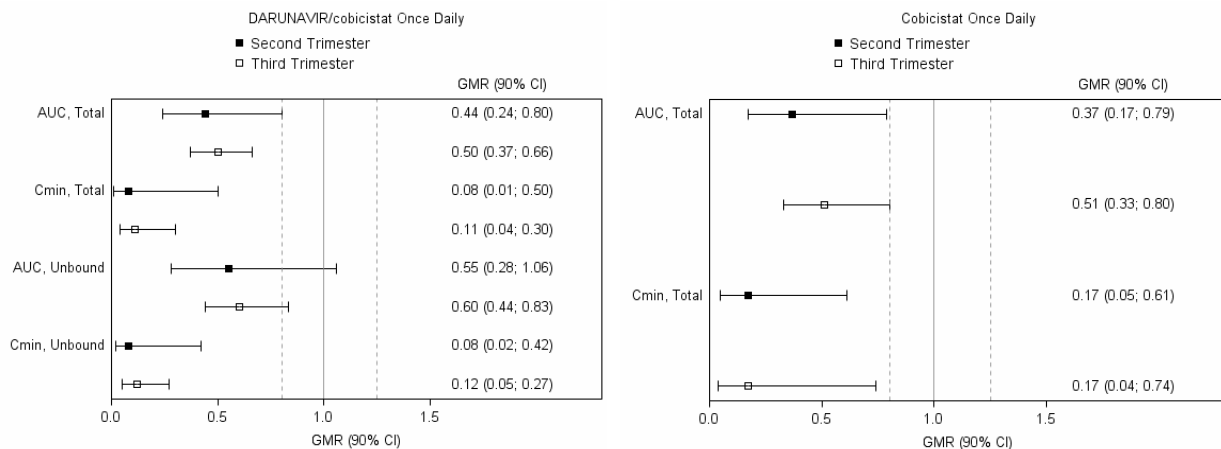
Emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide: The pharmacokinetics of emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide have not been fully evaluated in subjects coinfecting with hepatitis B and/or C virus.

Pregnancy and Postpartum

The exposure to total and unbound darunavir boosted with cobicistat after intake of darunavir/cobicistat as part of an antiretroviral regimen was substantially lower during the second and third trimesters of pregnancy compared with 6-12 weeks postpartum (see Table 9 and Figure 1).

Table 9: Pharmacokinetic Results of Total Darunavir after Administration of Darunavir/Cobicistat Once Daily as Part of an Antiretroviral Regimen, During the 2nd Trimester of Pregnancy, the 3rd Trimester of Pregnancy, and Postpartum			
Pharmacokinetics of total darunavir (mean ± SD)	2nd Trimester of pregnancy N=7	3rd Trimester of pregnancy N=6	Postpartum (6-12 weeks) N=6
C _{max} , ng/mL	4340 ± 1616	4910 ± 970	7918 ± 2199
AUC _{24h} , ng.h/mL	47293 ± 19058	47991 ± 9879	99613 ± 34862
C _{min} , ng/mL	168 ± 149	184 ± 99	1538 ± 1344

Figure 1: Pharmacokinetic Results (Within-Subject Comparison) of Total and Unbound Darunavir and Total Cobicistat After Administration of Darunavir/Cobicistat at 800/150 mg Once Daily as Part of an Antiretroviral Regimen, During the 2nd and 3rd Trimester of Pregnancy Compared to Postpartum



Legend: 90% CI: 90% confidence interval; GMR: geometric mean ratio (i.e., second or third trimester/postpartum). Solid vertical line: ratio of 1.0; dotted vertical lines: reference lines of 0.8 and 1.25.

Drug Interactions

Darunavir is metabolized by CYP3A. Cobicistat is metabolized by CYP3A and, to a minor extent, by CYP2D6. Darunavir co-administered with cobicistat is an inhibitor of CYP3A and CYP2D6. Cobicistat inhibits the following transporters: P-gp, BCRP, MATE1, OATP1B1, and OATP1B3. Based on *in vitro* data, cobicistat is not expected to induce CYP1A2 or CYP2B6 and based on *in vivo* data, cobicistat is not expected to induce MDR1 or, in general, CYP3A to a clinically significant extent. The induction effect of cobicistat on CYP2C9, CYP2C19, or UGT1A1 is unknown, but is expected to be low based on CYP3A *in vitro* induction data.

Emtricitabine is not an inhibitor of human CYP450 enzymes. *In vitro* and clinical drug interaction studies have shown that the potential for CYP-mediated interactions involving emtricitabine with other medicinal products is low. Tenofovir alafenamide is not an inhibitor of CYP1A2, CYP2B6, CYP2C8, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP2D6, or UGT1A. It is not an inhibitor or inducer of CYP3A *in vivo*.

12.4 Microbiology

Mechanism of Action

Darunavir: Darunavir is an inhibitor of the HIV-1 protease. It selectively inhibits the cleavage of HIV-1 encoded Gag-Pol polyproteins in infected cells, thereby preventing the formation of mature virus particles.

Cobicistat: Cobicistat is a selective, mechanism-based inhibitor of CYP3A4 of the CYP3A subfamily. Inhibition of CYP3A-mediated metabolism by cobicistat enhances the systemic exposure of CYP3A substrates.

Emtricitabine: Emtricitabine, a synthetic nucleoside analog of cytidine, is phosphorylated by cellular enzymes to form emtricitabine 5'-triphosphate. Emtricitabine 5'-triphosphate inhibits the activity of the HIV-1 reverse transcriptase (RT) by competing with the natural substrate deoxycytidine 5'-triphosphate and by being incorporated into nascent viral DNA, which results in chain termination. Emtricitabine 5'-triphosphate is a weak inhibitor of mammalian DNA polymerases α , β , ϵ , and mitochondrial DNA polymerase γ .

Tenofovir alafenamide: TAF is a phosphoramidate prodrug of tenofovir (2'-deoxyadenosine monophosphate analog). Plasma exposure to TAF allows for permeation into cells and then TAF is intracellularly converted to tenofovir through hydrolysis by cathepsin A. Tenofovir is subsequently phosphorylated by cellular kinases to the active metabolite tenofovir diphosphate. Tenofovir diphosphate inhibits HIV-1 replication through incorporation into viral DNA by the HIV RT, which results in DNA chain-termination. Tenofovir diphosphate is a weak inhibitor of mammalian DNA polymerases that include mitochondrial DNA polymerase γ and there is no evidence of toxicity to mitochondria in cell culture.

Antiviral Activity

Darunavir: Darunavir exhibits activity against laboratory strains and clinical isolates of HIV-1 and laboratory strains of HIV-2 in acutely infected T-cell lines, human PBMCs, and human monocytes/macrophages with median EC₅₀ values ranging from 1.2 to 8.5 nM (0.7 to 5.0 ng/mL). Darunavir demonstrates antiviral activity in cell culture against a broad panel of HIV-1 group M (A, B, C, D, E, F, G) and group O primary isolates with EC₅₀ values ranging from less than 0.1 to 4.3 nM. The EC₅₀ value of darunavir increases by a median factor of 5.4 in the presence of human serum.

Cobicistat: Cobicistat has no detectable antiviral activity in cell culture against HIV-1.

Emtricitabine: The antiviral activity of emtricitabine against laboratory and clinical isolates of HIV-1 was assessed in T lymphoblastoid cell lines, the MAGI-CCR5 cell line, and primary PBMCs. The EC₅₀ values for emtricitabine were in the range of 1.3–640 nM. Emtricitabine displayed antiviral activity in cell culture against HIV-1 clades A, B, C, D, E, F, and G (EC₅₀ values ranged from 7–75 nM) and showed strain specific activity against HIV-2 (EC₅₀ values ranged from 7–1,500 nM).

Tenofovir alafenamide: The antiviral activity of TAF against laboratory and clinical isolates of HIV-1 subtype B was assessed in lymphoblastoid cell lines, PBMCs, primary monocyte/macrophage cells, and CD4+ T lymphocytes. The EC₅₀ values for TAF ranged from 2.0 to 14.7 nM. TAF displayed antiviral activity in cell culture against all HIV-1 groups (M, N, O), including sub-types A, B, C, D, E, F, and G (EC₅₀ values ranged from 0.10 to 12.0 nM) and strain specific activity against HIV-2 (EC₅₀ values ranged from 0.91 to 2.63 nM).

The combination of darunavir, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide was not antagonistic in cell culture combination antiviral activity assays. In addition, darunavir, emtricitabine, and

tenofovir alafenamide were not antagonistic with a panel of representative agents from the major classes of approved HIV antivirals (PIs, NRTIs, NNRTIs, and INSTIs). The antiviral activity of approved HIV antivirals was not antagonized by cobicistat.

Resistance

Cell Culture

Darunavir: In cell culture, HIV-1 isolates with a decreased susceptibility to darunavir have been selected and obtained from subjects treated with darunavir co-administered with ritonavir. Darunavir-resistant virus derived in cell culture from wild-type HIV-1 had 21- to 88-fold decreased susceptibility to darunavir and developed 2 to 4 of the following amino acid substitutions S37D, R41E/T, K55Q, H69Q, K70E, T74S, V77I, or I85V in the protease. Selection in cell culture of darunavir-resistant HIV-1 from nine HIV-1 strains harboring multiple PI resistance-associated substitutions resulted in the overall emergence of 22 mutations in the protease gene, coding for amino acid substitutions L10F, V11I, I13V, I15V, G16E, L23I, V32I, L33F, S37N, M46I, I47V, I50V, F53L, L63P, A71V, G73S, L76V, V82I, I84V, T91A/S, and Q92R, of which L10F, V32I, L33F, S37N, M46I, I47V, I50V, L63P, A71V, and I84V were the most prevalent. These darunavir-resistant viruses had at least eight protease substitutions and exhibited 50- to 641-fold decreases in darunavir susceptibility with final EC₅₀ values ranging from 125 nM to 3461 nM.

Emtricitabine: HIV-1 isolates with reduced susceptibility to emtricitabine were selected in cell culture and in subjects treated with emtricitabine. Reduced susceptibility to emtricitabine was associated with M184V or I substitutions in HIV-1 RT.

Tenofovir alafenamide: HIV-1 isolates with reduced susceptibility to TAF were selected in cell culture. HIV-1 isolates selected by TAF expressed a K65R substitution in HIV-1 RT, sometimes in the presence of S68N or L429I substitutions. In addition, a K70E substitution in HIV-1 RT was observed.

Clinical Trials

Darunavir resistance-associated substitutions (V11I, V32I, L33F, I47V, I50V, I54L or M, T74P, L76V, I84V, and L89V) in HIV-1 protease were derived from clinical trial data of antiretroviral therapy experienced patients, which were all protease inhibitor-experienced patients. Baseline International AIDS Society-USA (IAS-USA)-defined PI resistance substitutions confer reduced virologic response to darunavir.

In the AMBER clinical trial of subjects with no prior antiretroviral treatment history, there were 7 subjects with protocol-defined virologic failure and with HIV-1 RNA \geq 400 copies/mL at failure or later timepoints who had post-baseline resistance data in the SYMTUZA arm. None of the subjects had detectable emergent darunavir resistance-associated substitutions or other primary protease inhibitor resistance-associated substitutions and only one subject had emergent M184M/I/V, which confers resistance to emtricitabine and lamivudine. In the comparative PREZCOBIX + emtricitabine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate arm, there were 2 protocol-defined virologic failures with post-baseline resistance data and neither had detectable resistance emergence.

In the EMERALD clinical trial of virologically-suppressed subjects who switched to SYMTUZA, 1 subject who rebounded and 2 subjects who discontinued early from the study had post-baseline resistance genotypes. None of the subjects had darunavir, primary protease inhibitor, emtricitabine, or tenofovir resistance-associated substitutions. In the control arm, there were 3 subjects who rebounded with post-baseline genotypes and no resistance-associated substitutions were observed.

Cross-Resistance

Darunavir: Cross-resistance among PIs has been observed. Darunavir has a less than 10-fold decreased susceptibility in cell culture against 90% of 3309 clinical isolates resistant to amprenavir, atazanavir, indinavir, lopinavir, nelfinavir, ritonavir, saquinavir, and/or tipranavir showing that viruses resistant to these PIs remain susceptible to darunavir. A less than 10-fold decreased susceptibility was observed for the other PIs in 26% to 96% of these PI resistant clinical isolates [nelfinavir (26%), ritonavir (34%), lopinavir (46%), indinavir (57%), atazanavir (59%), saquinavir (64%), amprenavir (70%), and tipranavir (96%)].

Cross-resistance between darunavir and nucleoside/nucleotide reverse transcriptase inhibitors, non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors, gp41 fusion inhibitors, CCR5 co-receptor antagonists, or integrase strand transfer inhibitors is unlikely because the viral targets are different.

Emtricitabine: Emtricitabine-resistant viruses with the M184V or I substitution were cross-resistant to lamivudine, but retained sensitivity to didanosine, stavudine, tenofovir, and zidovudine.

Tenofovir Alafenamide: Tenofovir resistance-associated substitutions K65R and K70E result in reduced susceptibility to abacavir, didanosine, emtricitabine, lamivudine, and tenofovir. HIV-1 with multiple thymidine analog substitutions (M41L, D67N, K70R, L210W, T215F/Y, K219Q/E/N/R) or multinucleoside resistant HIV-1 with a T69S double insertion mutation or with a Q151M substitution complex including K65R, showed reduced susceptibility to TAF in cell culture.

13. NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Darunavir: Darunavir was evaluated for carcinogenic potential by oral gavage administration to mice and rats up to 104 weeks. Daily doses of 150, 450, and 1000 mg/kg were administered to mice and doses of 50, 150, and 500 mg/kg were administered to rats. A dose-related increase in the incidence of hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas was observed in males and females of both species and an increase in thyroid follicular cell adenomas was observed in male rats. The observed hepatocellular findings in rodents are considered to be of limited relevance to humans. Repeated administration of darunavir to rats caused hepatic microsomal enzyme induction and increased thyroid hormone elimination, which predispose rats but not humans to thyroid neoplasms. At the highest tested doses, the systemic exposures to darunavir (based on AUC) were between 0.5- and 0.6-fold (mice) and was 0.9-fold (rats) of exposures observed in humans at the recommended therapeutic dose of darunavir in SYMTUZA. Darunavir was not mutagenic or genotoxic in a battery of *in vitro* and *in vivo* assays including bacterial reverse mutation (Ames), chromosomal aberration in human lymphocytes, and *in vivo* micronucleus test in mice.

Cobicistat: In a long-term carcinogenicity study in mice, no drug-related increases in tumor incidence were observed at doses up to 50 and 100 mg/kg/day in males and females, respectively. Cobicistat exposures at these doses were approximately 8.6 (male) and 20 (females) times, respectively, the human systemic exposure at the therapeutic daily dose of cobicistat in SYMTUZA. In a long-term carcinogenicity study of cobicistat in rats, an increased incidence of follicular cell adenomas and/or carcinomas in the thyroid gland was observed at doses of 25 and 50 mg/kg/day in males, and at 30 mg/kg/day in females. The follicular cell findings are considered to be rat-specific, secondary to hepatic microsomal enzyme induction and thyroid hormone imbalance, and are not relevant for humans. At the highest doses tested in the rat carcinogenicity study, systemic exposures were approximately 2 times the human systemic exposure at the therapeutic daily dose of cobicistat in SYMTUZA. Cobicistat was not genotoxic in the reverse mutation bacterial test (Ames test), mouse lymphoma, or rat micronucleus assays.

Emtricitabine: In long-term carcinogenicity studies of emtricitabine, no drug-related increases in tumor incidence were found in mice at doses up to 750 mg per kg per day (26 times the human systemic exposure at the recommended dose of emtricitabine in SYMTUZA) or in rats at doses up to 600 mg per kg per day (31 times the human systemic exposure at the recommended dose). Emtricitabine was not genotoxic in the reverse mutation bacterial test (Ames test), mouse lymphoma, or mouse micronucleus assays. Emtricitabine did not affect fertility in male rats at approximately 107 times or in male and female mice at approximately 88 times higher exposures (AUC) than in humans given the recommended 200 mg daily dose in SYMTUZA. Fertility was normal in the offspring of mice exposed daily from before birth (*in utero*) through sexual maturity at daily exposures (AUC) of approximately 88 times higher than human exposures at the recommended 200 mg daily dose.

Tenofovir alafenamide: Since TAF is rapidly converted to tenofovir and a lower tenofovir exposure in rats and mice was observed after TAF administration compared to TDF administration, carcinogenicity studies were conducted only with TDF. Long-term oral carcinogenicity studies of TDF in mice and rats were carried out at exposures up to approximately 10 times (mice) and 4 times (rats) those observed in humans at the 300 mg therapeutic dose of TDF for HIV-1 infection. The tenofovir exposure in these studies was approximately 167 times (mice) and 55 times (rat) those observed in humans after administration of the daily recommended dose of TAF. At the high dose in female mice, liver adenomas were increased at tenofovir exposures approximately 10 times (300 mg TDF) and 167 times (10 mg TAF) the exposure observed in humans. In rats, the study was negative for carcinogenic findings.

TAF was not genotoxic in the reverse mutation bacterial test (Ames test), mouse lymphoma, or rat micronucleus assays. There were no effects on fertility, mating performance, or early embryonic development when TAF was administered to male rats at a dose equivalent to 155 times the human dose based on body surface area comparisons for 28 days prior to mating and to female rats for 14 days prior to mating through Day 7 of gestation.

13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology

Minimal to slight infiltration of mononuclear cells in the posterior uvea was observed in dogs with similar severity after 3 and 9 month administration of tenofovir alafenamide; reversibility was seen after a 3-month recovery period. No eye toxicity was observed in the dog at systemic exposures of

3.5 (TAF) and 0.62 (tenofovir) times the exposure seen in humans with the recommended daily dose of TAF in SYMTUZA.

14. CLINICAL STUDIES

14.1 Clinical Trial Results in Subjects with HIV-1 Infection with no Prior Antiretroviral Treatment History

The efficacy of SYMTUZA in subjects with HIV-1 infection with no prior antiretroviral treatment history was evaluated in the Phase 3 trial TMC114FD2HTX3001 [NCT02431247, (AMBER)] in which subjects were randomized in a 1:1 ratio to receive either SYMTUZA (N=362) or a combination of PREZCOBIX and FTC/TDF (N=363) once daily. The median age was 34.0 years (range 18-71), 88.3% were male, 83% White, 11% Black, and 2% Asian. The mean baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA was 4.5 log₁₀ copies/mL (range 1.3-6.7), and 18% had a baseline viral load ≥100,000 copies/mL. The median baseline CD4+ cell count was 453 cells/mm³ (range 38 to 1456 cells/mm³).

Virologic outcomes at 48 weeks of treatment are presented in Table 10.

Table 10: Virologic Outcomes in AMBER at Week 48 in HIV-1 Subjects with No Prior Antiretroviral Treatment History		
	SYMTUZA N=362	PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF N=363
Virologic Response		
HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL	91%	88%
Treatment difference ^a	2.7 (95% CI: -1.6; 7.1)	
Virologic Failure ^b	4%	3%
No virologic data at Week 48 window ^c	4%	8%
Reasons		
Discontinued trial due to adverse event or death	2%	4%
Discontinued trial for other reasons ^d	1%	3%
Missing data during window but on trial	1%	1%

^a Based on stratum adjusted MH test where stratification factors are HIV-1 RNA level (≤100,000 or > 100,000 copies/mL) and CD4+ cell count (< 200 or ≥200 cells/μL).

^b Included subjects who had ≥50 copies/mL in the Week 48 window; subjects who discontinued early due to lack or loss of efficacy; subjects who discontinued for reasons other than an adverse event (AE), death, or lack or loss of efficacy and at the time of discontinuation had a viral value of ≥ 50 copies/mL.

^c Day 295 – Day 378

^d Other includes reasons such as withdrew consent, loss to follow-up, and non-compliance.

The mean increase from baseline in CD4+ cell count at Week 48 was 189 and 174 cells/mm³ in the SYMTUZA and PREZCOBIX + FTC/TDF groups, respectively.

14.2 Clinical Trial Results in Virologically-Suppressed Subjects with HIV-1 Infection Who Switched to SYMTUZA

Phase 3 trial TMC114IFD3013 [NCT02269917, (EMERALD)] evaluated the efficacy of SYMTUZA in virologically-suppressed (HIV-1 RNA less than 50 copies/mL) subjects with HIV-1 infection. Subjects were virologically suppressed for at least 2 months and no more than once

had a viral load elevation above 50 HIV-1 RNA copies/mL during the year prior to enrollment. Subjects were on a stable antiretroviral regimen (for at least 6 months), consisting of a bPI [either darunavir once daily or atazanavir (both boosted with ritonavir or cobicistat), or lopinavir with ritonavir] combined with emtricitabine and TDF. Subjects had no history of failure on darunavir treatment and no known or suspected darunavir resistance-associated substitutions. Emtricitabine or tenofovir resistance-associated substitutions were not specifically excluded by the protocol. They either switched to SYMTUZA (N=763) or continued their treatment regimen (N=378) (randomized 2:1). Subjects had a median age of 46 years (range 19-78), 82% were male, 75% White, 21% Black, and 2% Asian. The median baseline CD4+ cell count was 628 cells/mm³ (range 111-1921 cells/mm³). Overall, 15% (N=169) of subjects had prior virologic failure. Five subjects had archived tenofovir resistance-associated substitutions and 53 subjects had archived emtricitabine resistance-associated substitutions, mainly at RT position M184. All of these subjects with emtricitabine resistance-associated substitutions had HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL at Week 48 (N=50) or at the last on-treatment viral load (N=3). Virologic outcomes are presented in Table 11. Prior virologic failure did not impact treatment outcomes.

Table 11: Virologic Outcomes in EMERALD at Week 48 in HIV-1 Virologically-Suppressed Subjects Who Switched to SYMTUZA

	SYMTUZA N=763	bPI+FTC/TDF N=378
Virologic Failure^a	1%	1%
Treatment difference ^b	0.3 (95% CI: -0.7; 1.2)	
HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL	95%	94%
No virologic data at Week 48 window ^c	4%	6%
Reasons		
Discontinued trial due to adverse event or death	1%	1%
Discontinued trial for other reasons ^d	3%	4%
Missing data during window ^c but on trial	<1%	1%

^a Included subjects who had ≥50 copies/mL in the Week 48 window; subjects who discontinued early due to lack or loss of efficacy; subjects who discontinued for reasons other than an adverse event (AE), death, or lack or loss of efficacy and at the time of discontinuation had a viral value ≥ 50 copies/mL.

^b Based on MH test adjusting for bPI at screening (ATV with rtv or COBI, DRV with rtv or COBI, LPV with rtv).

^c Day 295 – Day 378

^d Other includes reasons such as withdrew consent, loss to follow-up, and non-compliance

The mean increase from baseline in CD4+ cell count at Week 48 was 20 cells/mm³ in subjects who switched to SYMTUZA and 8 cells/mm³ in subjects who stayed on their baseline PI + FTC/TDF.

14.3 Clinical Trial Results in Pediatric Subjects with HIV-1 Infection

The pharmacokinetic profile, safety, and antiviral activity of the components of SYMTUZA were evaluated in open-label clinical trials in pediatric subjects with HIV-1 infection aged 12 to less than 18 years: GS-US-216-0128 (N=7) and GS-US-292-0106 (N=50).

In the Phase 2/3 trial GS-US-216-0128 darunavir 800 mg and cobicistat 150 mg once daily with 2 NRTIs were evaluated in 7 virologically suppressed pediatric subjects aged 12 to less than 18 years and weighing at least 40 kg. Subjects had a median (range) age of 14 (12-16) years and a median (range) weight of 57 (45-78) kg. At baseline, plasma HIV-1 RNA was <50 copies/mL in

all subjects, and the median (range) CD4+ cell count was 1,117 (658-2,416) cells/mm³. At Week 48, the proportion of subjects who maintained HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL was 86%, and the median change in CD4+ cell count from baseline was -342 cells/mm³ (range -1,389 to 210 cells/mm³). All 6 subjects with available data had CD4+ cell counts above 800 cells/mm³ at Week 48.

In the Phase 2/3 trial GS-US-292-0106, cobicistat 150 mg, emtricitabine 200 mg, and tenofovir alafenamide 10 mg, as part of a fixed-dose combination regimen together with elvitegravir 150 mg, were evaluated in 50 treatment-naïve pediatric subjects with HIV-1 aged 12 to less than 18 years and weighing at least 35 kg. Subjects had a median (range) age of 15 (12-17) years. At baseline, median (range) plasma HIV-1 RNA was 4.7 (3.3-6.5) log₁₀ copies/mL, median (range) CD4+ cell count was 456 (95-1,110) cells/mm³, and 22% had baseline plasma HIV-1 RNA >100,000 copies/mL. At Week 48, the proportion of subjects who had HIV-1 RNA <50 copies/mL was 92%, and the median increase in CD4+ cell count from baseline was 220 cells/mm³.

The use of SYMTUZA in pediatric patients weighing less than 40 kg has not been established [*see Use in Specific Populations (8.4)*].

16. HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

SYMTUZA (darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide) tablets are supplied as yellow to yellowish-brown, capsule-shaped, film-coated tablets debossed with “8121” on one side and “JG” on the other side.

SYMTUZA is packaged in bottles of 30 tablets (NDC 59676-800-30), with a silica gel desiccant and child-resistant closure.

Storage:

- Store at 20°C-25°C (between 68°F-77°F); with excursions permitted to 15°C-30°C (59°F-86°F).
- Dispense only in the original container. Keep container tightly closed with desiccant inside to protect from moisture.
- Keep SYMTUZA out of reach of children.

17. PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

Advise the patient to read the FDA-approved patient labeling (Patient Information)

Instructions for Use

Advise patients to take SYMTUZA with food every day on a regular dosing schedule, as missed doses can result in development of resistance. Inform patients not to alter the dose of SYMTUZA or discontinue therapy with SYMTUZA without consulting their physician. For patients who are unable to swallow tablets whole, SYMTUZA may be split using a tablet-cutter, and the entire dose should be consumed immediately after splitting [*see Dosage and Administration (2.2)*].

Post-treatment Acute Exacerbation of Hepatitis B in Patients with HBV Co-Infection

Severe acute exacerbations of hepatitis B have been reported in patients who are coinfecting with HBV and HIV-1 and have discontinued products containing emtricitabine and/or TDF, and may likewise occur with discontinuation of SYMTUZA [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*]. Advise the patient to not discontinue SYMTUZA without first informing their healthcare provider.

Hepatotoxicity

Inform patients that drug-induced hepatitis (e.g., acute hepatitis, cytolytic hepatitis) and liver injury, including some fatalities, could potentially occur with SYMTUZA. Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately if signs and symptoms of liver problems develop [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*].

Severe Skin Reactions

Inform patients that skin reactions ranging from mild to severe, including Stevens-Johnson syndrome, drug rash with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms, and toxic epidermal necrolysis, could potentially occur with SYMTUZA. Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately if signs or symptoms of severe skin reactions develop, including but not limited to severe rash or rash accompanied with fever, general malaise, fatigue, muscle or joint aches, blisters, oral lesions, and/or conjunctivitis [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.3)*].

Pregnancy

Advise patients that SYMTUZA is not recommended during pregnancy and to alert their healthcare provider if they get pregnant while taking SYMTUZA. Inform patients that there is an antiretroviral pregnancy registry to monitor fetal outcomes of pregnant individuals exposed to SYMTUZA [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.1)*].

Lactation

Instruct individuals with HIV-1 infection not to breastfeed because HIV-1 can be passed to the baby in breast milk [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.2)*].

Drug Interactions

SYMTUZA may interact with many drugs; therefore, inform patients of the potential serious drug interactions with SYMTUZA, and that some drugs are contraindicated with SYMTUZA and other drugs may require dosage adjustment. Advise patients to report to their healthcare provider the use of any other prescription or nonprescription medication or herbal products, including St. John's wort [see *Contraindications (4)*, *Warnings and Precautions (5.4)*, and *Drug Interactions (7)*].

Immune Reconstitution Syndrome

Advise patients to inform their healthcare provider immediately of any symptoms of infection, as in some patients with advanced HIV infection (AIDS), signs and symptoms of inflammation from previous infections may occur soon after anti-HIV treatment is started [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.5)*].

Renal Impairment

Advise patients to avoid taking SYMTUZA with concurrent or recent use of nephrotoxic agents. Renal impairment, including cases of acute renal failure, has been reported in association with the use of tenofovir prodrugs [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.6)*].

Lactic Acidosis and Severe Hepatomegaly

Lactic acidosis and severe hepatomegaly with steatosis, including fatal cases, have been reported with use of drugs similar to SYMTUZA. Advise patients that they should stop SYMTUZA if they develop clinical symptoms suggestive of lactic acidosis or pronounced hepatotoxicity [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.8)*].

Fat Redistribution

Inform patients that redistribution or accumulation of body fat may occur in patients receiving antiretroviral therapy, including SYMTUZA, and that the cause and long-term health effects of these conditions are not known at this time [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.10)*].

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PATIENT INFORMATION
SYMTUZA (sim too zah)
(darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide)
tablets

What is the most important information I should know about SYMTUZA?

SYMTUZA can cause serious side effects, including:

- **Worsening of Hepatitis B virus infection (HBV).** Your healthcare provider will test you for HBV before starting treatment with SYMTUZA. If you have HBV infection and take SYMTUZA, your HBV may get worse (flare-up) if you stop taking SYMTUZA. A “flare-up” is when your HBV infection suddenly returns in a worse way than before.
 - Do not stop taking SYMTUZA without first talking to your healthcare provider.
 - Do not run out of SYMTUZA. Refill your prescription or talk to your healthcare provider before your SYMTUZA is all gone.
 - If you stop taking SYMTUZA, your healthcare provider will need to check your health often and do blood tests regularly for several months to check your HBV infection, or give you a medicine to treat your HBV infection. Tell your healthcare provider about any new or unusual symptoms you may have after you stop taking SYMTUZA.
- **Change in liver enzymes.** People with a history of hepatitis B or C virus infection or who have certain liver enzyme changes may have an increased risk of developing new or worsening liver problems during treatment with SYMTUZA. Liver problems can also happen during treatment with SYMTUZA in people without a history of liver disease. Your healthcare provider may need to do tests to check your liver enzymes before and during treatment with SYMTUZA.
- **Severe liver problems.** In rare cases, severe liver problems can happen that can lead to death. **Tell your healthcare provider right away if you get these symptoms:** skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow, dark “tea-colored” urine, light-colored stools, loss of appetite for several days or longer, nausea, vomiting, or stomach-area pain.

SYMTUZA may cause severe or life-threatening skin reactions or rash. Sometimes these skin reactions and skin rashes can become severe and require treatment in a hospital. Call your healthcare provider right away if you develop a rash. **Stop taking SYMTUZA** and call your healthcare provider right away if you develop any skin changes with symptoms below:

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| • fever | • blisters or skin lesions |
| • tiredness | • mouth sores or ulcers |
| • muscle or joint pain | • red or inflamed eyes, like “pink eye” (conjunctivitis) |

See “What are the possible side effects of SYMTUZA?” for more information about side effects.

What is SYMTUZA?

SYMTUZA is a prescription medicine that is used without other antiretroviral medicines to treat Human Immunodeficiency Virus-1 (HIV-1) infection in adults and in children who weigh at least 88 pounds (40 kg) who:

- have not received anti-HIV-1 medicines in the past, **or**
- when their healthcare provider determines that they meet certain requirements.

HIV-1 is the virus that causes Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

SYMTUZA contains the prescription medicines darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide.

It is not known if SYMTUZA is safe and effective in children weighing less than 88 pounds (40 kg).

Who should not take SYMTUZA?

Do not take SYMTUZA with any of the following medicines:

- alfuzosin
- carbamazepine
- cisapride
- colchicine, if you have liver or kidney problems
- dronedarone
- elbasvir and grazoprevir
- ergot-containing medicines, such as:
 - dihydroergotamine
 - ergotamine tartrate
 - methylergonovine
- ivabradine
- lomitapide
- lovastatin or a product that contains lovastatin
- lurasidone
- midazolam, when taken by mouth
- naloxegol
- phenobarbital
- phenytoin
- pimozide
- ranolazine
- rifampin
- sildenafil, when used for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH)
- simvastatin or a product that contains simvastatin
- St. John's wort (*Hypericum perforatum*), or a product that contains St. John's wort
- triazolam

Serious problems can happen if you take any of these medicines with SYMTUZA.

Before taking SYMTUZA, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have liver problems, including hepatitis B or hepatitis C
 - have kidney problems
 - are allergic to sulfa (sulfonamide)
 - have diabetes
 - have hemophilia
 - are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.
 - It is not known if SYMTUZA will harm your unborn baby.
 - SYMTUZA should not be used during pregnancy because you may not have enough SYMTUZA in your body during pregnancy.
 - Tell your healthcare provider if you become pregnant while taking SYMTUZA. Your healthcare provider will prescribe different medicines if you become pregnant while taking SYMTUZA.
- Pregnancy Registry:** There is a pregnancy registry for those who take antiretroviral medicines during pregnancy. The purpose of the registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. Talk to your healthcare provider about how you can take part in this registry.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed if you take SYMTUZA.
 - You should not breastfeed if you have HIV-1 because of the risk of passing HIV to your baby.
 - One of the medicines in SYMTUZA called emtricitabine can pass into your breast milk. It is not known if the other medicines in SYMTUZA can pass into your breast milk.
 - Talk to your healthcare provider about the best way to feed your baby.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Some medicines interact with SYMTUZA. Keep a list of your medicines to show your healthcare provider and pharmacist.

- You can ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for a list of medicines that interact with SYMTUZA.
- **Do not start taking a new medicine without telling your healthcare provider.** Your healthcare provider can tell you if it is safe to take SYMTUZA with other medicines.

How should I take SYMTUZA?

- Take SYMTUZA exactly as your healthcare provider tells you.
- Do not change your dose or stop taking SYMTUZA without talking to your healthcare provider.
- Take SYMTUZA 1 time a day with food.
- If you have difficulty swallowing, the tablet may be split using a tablet-cutter. After splitting the tablet, the entire dose (both halves) should then be taken right away.
- Do not miss a dose of SYMTUZA.
- When your SYMTUZA supply starts to run low, get more from your healthcare provider or pharmacy. This is very important because the amount of virus in your blood may increase if the medicine is stopped for even a short time. The virus may develop resistance to SYMTUZA and become harder to treat.
- If you take too much SYMTUZA, call your healthcare provider or go to the nearest hospital emergency room right away.

What are the possible side effects of SYMTUZA?

SYMTUZA may cause serious side effects, including:

- See “**What is the most important information I should know about SYMTUZA?**”
- **Changes in your immune system (Immune Reconstitution Syndrome)** can happen when you start taking HIV-1 medicines. Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections that have been hidden in your body for a long time. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you start having new symptoms after starting your HIV-1 medicine.
- **New or worse kidney problems, including kidney failure.** Your healthcare provider should do blood and urine tests to check your kidneys before you start and while you are taking SYMTUZA. Your healthcare provider may tell you to stop taking SYMTUZA if you develop new or worse kidney problems.
- **Too much lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis).** Too much lactic acid is a serious but rare medical emergency that can lead to death. **Tell your healthcare provider right away if you get these symptoms:** weakness or being more tired than usual, unusual muscle pain, being short of breath or fast breathing, stomach pain with nausea and vomiting, cold or blue hands and feet, feel dizzy or lightheaded, or a fast or abnormal heartbeat.
- **Diabetes and high blood sugar (hyperglycemia).** Some people who take protease inhibitors including SYMTUZA can get high blood sugar, develop diabetes, or your diabetes can get worse. Tell your healthcare provider if you notice an increase in thirst or if you start urinating more often while taking SYMTUZA.
- **Changes in body fat** can happen in people who take HIV-1 medicines. The changes may include an increased amount of fat in the upper back and neck (“buffalo hump”), breast, and around the middle of your body (trunk). Loss of fat from the legs, arms, and face may also happen. The exact cause and long-term health effects of these conditions are not known.
- **Increased bleeding for hemophiliacs.** Some people with hemophilia have increased bleeding with protease inhibitors.

The most common side effects of SYMTUZA, include:

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| ○ diarrhea | ○ headache |
| ○ rash | ○ stomach problems |
| ○ nausea | ○ gas |
| ○ fatigue | |

These are not all of the possible side effects of SYMTUZA.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

How should I store SYMTUZA?

- Store SYMTUZA tablets at room temperature between 68°F to 77°F (20°C to 25°C).
- The SYMTUZA bottle contains a desiccant and has a child-resistant cap.
- Keep the SYMTUZA container tightly closed with the desiccant inside of it to protect SYMTUZA from moisture.

Keep SYMTUZA out of reach of children.

General information about the safe and effective use of SYMTUZA.

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Patient Information leaflet. Do not use SYMTUZA for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give SYMTUZA to other people, even if they have the same symptoms that you have. It may harm them.

You can ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for information about SYMTUZA that is written for health professionals.

What are the ingredients in SYMTUZA?

Active ingredient: darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide

Inactive ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, croscarmellose sodium, magnesium stearate, and microcrystalline cellulose. The tablets are film-coated with a coating material containing polyethylene glycol (macrogol), polyvinyl alcohol (partially hydrolyzed), talc, titanium dioxide, and yellow ferric oxide.

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