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Reported case interaction between **Dolutegravir** and **Enzalutamide**

Drugs suspected to be involved in the DDI

Victim

Dolutegravir

Daily Dose

50 (mg)

Dose adjustment performed

No

Administration Route

Oral

Start date

Aug. 1, 2021

End date

Ongoing

Perpetrator

Enzalutamide

Daily Dose

160 (mg)

Dose adjustment performed

No

Administration Route

Oral

Start date

Aug. 1, 2021

End date

Ongoing

Complete list of drugs taken by the patient

Antiretroviral treatment

Emtricitabine/Tenofovir-AF

Complete list of all comedications taken by the patient, included that involved in the DDI

Enzalutamide, degarelix, metformin, acetylsalicylic acid, alendronate, vitamin D

Clinical case description

Gender

Male

Age

63

eGFR (mL/min)

>60

Liver function impairment

No

Description

A 63-year-old man living with HIV (BMI 25.8 kg/m²) was diagnosed in June 2020 with a prostate cancer, stage IV. At the time of the diagnosis, he was virologically suppressed under treatment with elvitegravir/c, emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide. In July 2020, he was started on degarelix and underwent radiation therapy with a good clinical response. However, a biochemical progression was observed in July 2021 therefore the patient was started on enzalutamide in August 2021 in addition to degarelix. Enzalutamide is an inducer of drug metabolism thus the antiretroviral treatment was changed to dolutegravir 50 mg daily combined with emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide. Dolutegravir (substrate UGT1A1>CYP3A4) and tenofovir (substrate of P-gp) concentrations were measured before starting enzalutamide as well as 15 and 30 days after

initiating enzalutamide at 120 mg daily. Antiretroviral levels were also measured 15 days after increasing enzalutamide dose to 160 mg daily. No major differences were observed on the main pharmacokinetic parameters of dolutegravir and tenofovir in presence of enzalutamide compared to pre-treatment. The Ctrough of dolutegravir were well above PA-IC90 (i.e. 64 ng/ml): 214 ng/mL at baseline; 1106 ng/mL 15 days post initiation of enzalutamide 120mg; 371 ng/mL 30 days post enzalutamide 120 mg and 1303 ng/mL 15 days post enzalutamide 160 mg. The patient underwent 6 cycles of hormonal therapy with good drug tolerability, good clinical response and optimal HIV immune-virological control. This case has been published. Londero A et al. AIDS 2022; 36:1603-7.

Clinical Outcome

No unwanted outcome

Editorial Comment

Enzalutamide, a potent, competitive binder of androgens at the level of the androgen receptors is indicated for the treatment of patients with castration-resistant prostate cancer.

Enzalutamide can induce UGT1A1. Since Dolutegravir is metabolized by UGT1A1 (and to a lesser extent by CYP3A4) the concomitant use of Enzalutamide and Dolutegravir is expected to decrease Dolutegravir concentrations

In this case the plasma concentrations of dolutegravir were adequate despite the use of standard dolutegravir dose (50 mg/daily)

However, if drug concentration monitoring cannot be performed dolutegravir 50 mg twice daily dose should be considered. In addition due to the long half-life of Enzalutamide this dose should be maintained for at least 2 weeks (preferably 4 weeks) following cessation of enzalutamide.

In addition, if there is history of resistance to integrase inhibitors or it could be expected, this combination should be avoided.

University of Liverpool Recommendation

■ Potential interaction - may require close monitoring, alteration of drug dosage or timing of administration

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