

REPLENISH trial: 17 β -Estradiol and Progesterone Combined in a Single Capsule (TX-001HR) Significantly Improved Moderate-to-Severe Vasomotor Symptoms in Postmenopausal Women

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Background

- Use of compounded bio-identical HT (estradiol and progesterone) has become highly prevalent in the US since the 2002 WHI report¹
 - An estimated 1 to 2.5 million US women use unapproved compounded products,^{1,2} representing up to 21 to 39 million prescriptions annually¹
 - Some compounded products may be associated with increased risks³
 - No HT products combining 17 β -estradiol and progesterone are FDA-approved
- TX-001HR (TherapeuticsMD, Boca Raton, FL) is an investigational combination of naturally occurring 17 β -estradiol and progesterone (sometimes referred to as bio-identical hormones) in a single oral softgel capsule

HT: hormone therapy.

REPLENISH Trial: Objective and Design

- **Objective:** To evaluate the efficacy and safety of four TX-001HR (estradiol [E2] combined with progesterone [P4]) doses versus placebo for the treatment of moderate-to-severe vasomotor symptoms
- **Design:** Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicenter, phase 3 trial of TX-001HR in postmenopausal women with an intact uterus (NCT01942668)
 - 1-year endometrial safety study and 12-week efficacy substudy for the treatment of vasomotor symptoms

Key Inclusion Criteria

- Healthy postmenopausal women aged 40-65 years
- Intact uterus
- Body mass index ≤ 34 kg/m²
- Vasomotor symptoms associated with menopause
- Acceptable endometrial biopsy results

Vasomotor Symptom (VMS) Substudy

- ≥ 7 /day or ≥ 50 /week moderate-to-severe hot flushes

Key Exclusion Criteria

- History of endometrial hyperplasia, melanoma, or uterine/ endometrial, breast, or ovarian cancer
- History of thrombosis of deep veins/arteries or thromboembolic disorder, coronary artery or cerebrovascular disease, chronic liver or kidney dysfunction/disorder, malabsorption disorder, gallbladder dysfunction/disorders, diabetes, thyroid disease or any other endocrine disorder
- Prior use of estrogen-, progestogen-, androgen-, SERM products for variable period of time depending on the formulation
- Medications that are known to induce or affect estrogen and/or progestogen drug metabolism or activity (≤ 4 weeks)

Study Design: Randomization

- Postmenopausal women (40-65 years) were randomized to daily, oral E2/P4 groups or placebo

Randomization	Treatment Groups*
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Women with moderate-to-severe hot flushes were randomized 1:1:1:1 to one of four E2/P4 doses or placebo (included in VMS substudy and endometrial study)• Women not qualifying for the VMS substudy were randomized 1:1:1:1 to one of four E2/P4 doses (endometrial study)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.0 mg E2/100 mg P4• 0.5 mg E2/100 mg P4• 0.5 mg E2/50 mg P4• 0.25 mg E2/50 mg P4• Placebo

*All women took 2 capsules in a double-blind, double dummy manner to maintain study blinding as 2 different capsule sizes were necessary to accommodate the different doses.

- All women completed a daily diary on the **frequency** and **severity** of their VMS through week 12; **MENQOL** scores were also obtained.

REPLENISH Trial: Study Endpoints

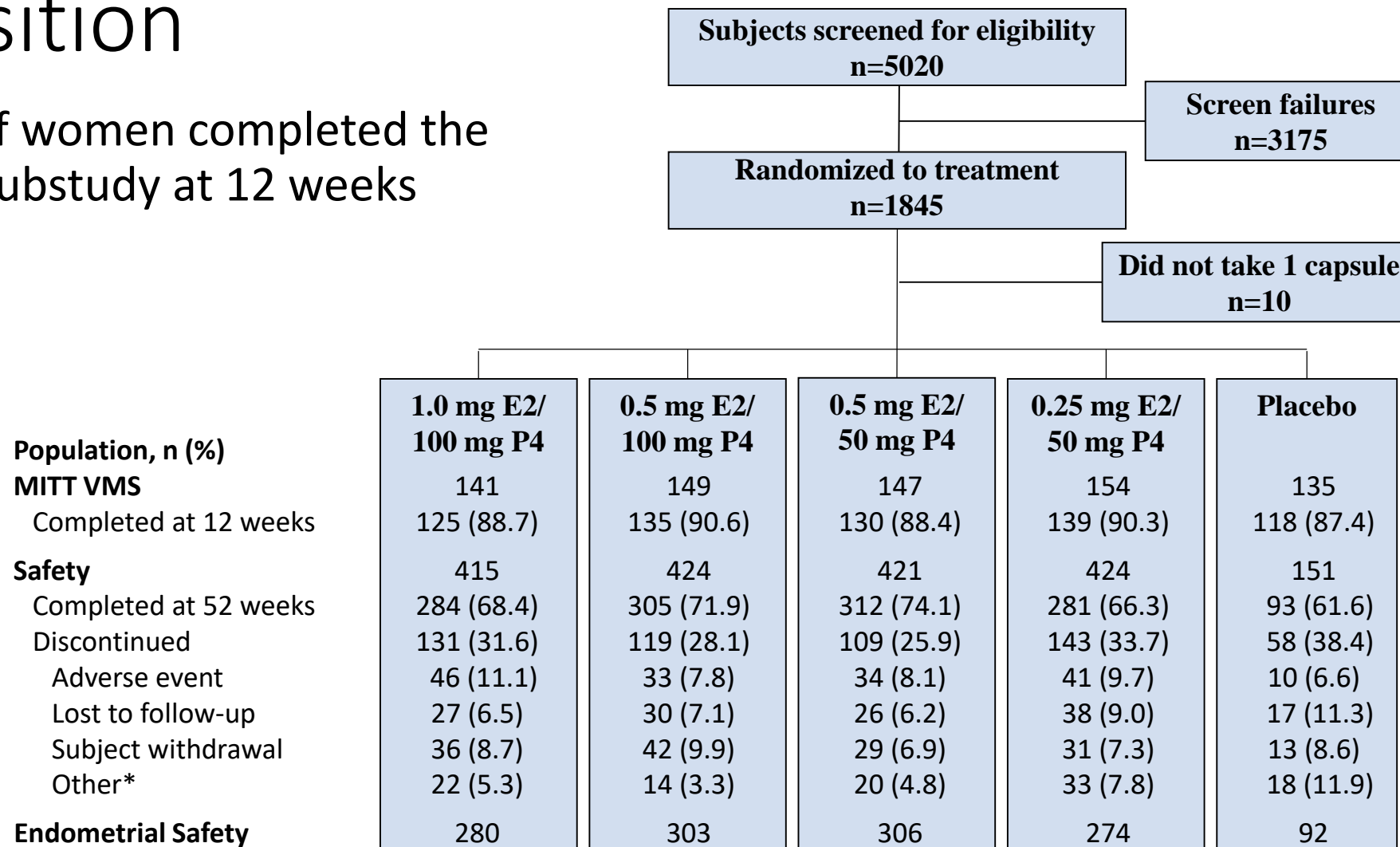
Endpoints		Description
Efficacy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VMS substudy 	4 co-primary endpoints	VMS frequency (moderate-to-severe) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mean change from baseline to week 4 Mean change from baseline to week 12 VMS severity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mean change from baseline to week 4 Mean change from baseline to week 12
	Secondary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mean change in frequency and severity of moderate-to-severe VMS from baseline for each week up to week 12
Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All women who took ≥ 1 capsule 	Primary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incidence of endometrial hyperplasia with up to 12 months of treatment (in women with endometrial biopsies) Results presented on poster LB SUN 07
	Secondary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incidence of AEs and serious AEs

Statistical Analyses

- Efficacy analyses were performed on the modified intent-to-treat (MITT) population of the VMS substudy
 - MITT VMS substudy included women who took ≥ 1 dose of study treatment, had ≥ 5 days of VMS diary data at baseline, and ≥ 4 days of VMS diary data for 1 on-treatment week
 - Each TX-001HR dose was compared with placebo and tested for the 4 co-primary efficacy endpoints at alpha level 0.05 (two-tailed) using a mixed model repeated measures (MMRM) analysis
- Endometrial safety was analyzed in women who took ≥ 1 capsule, had an acceptable biopsy at baseline, and had a biopsy at month 12 or had a diagnosis of endometrial hyperplasia prior to month 12
- AEs and serious AEs were descriptively summarized in all women who took ≥ 1 capsule (safety population)

Disposition

- 89% of women completed the VMS substudy at 12 weeks



*Other included investigator decision, lack of efficacy, protocol deviation and other.

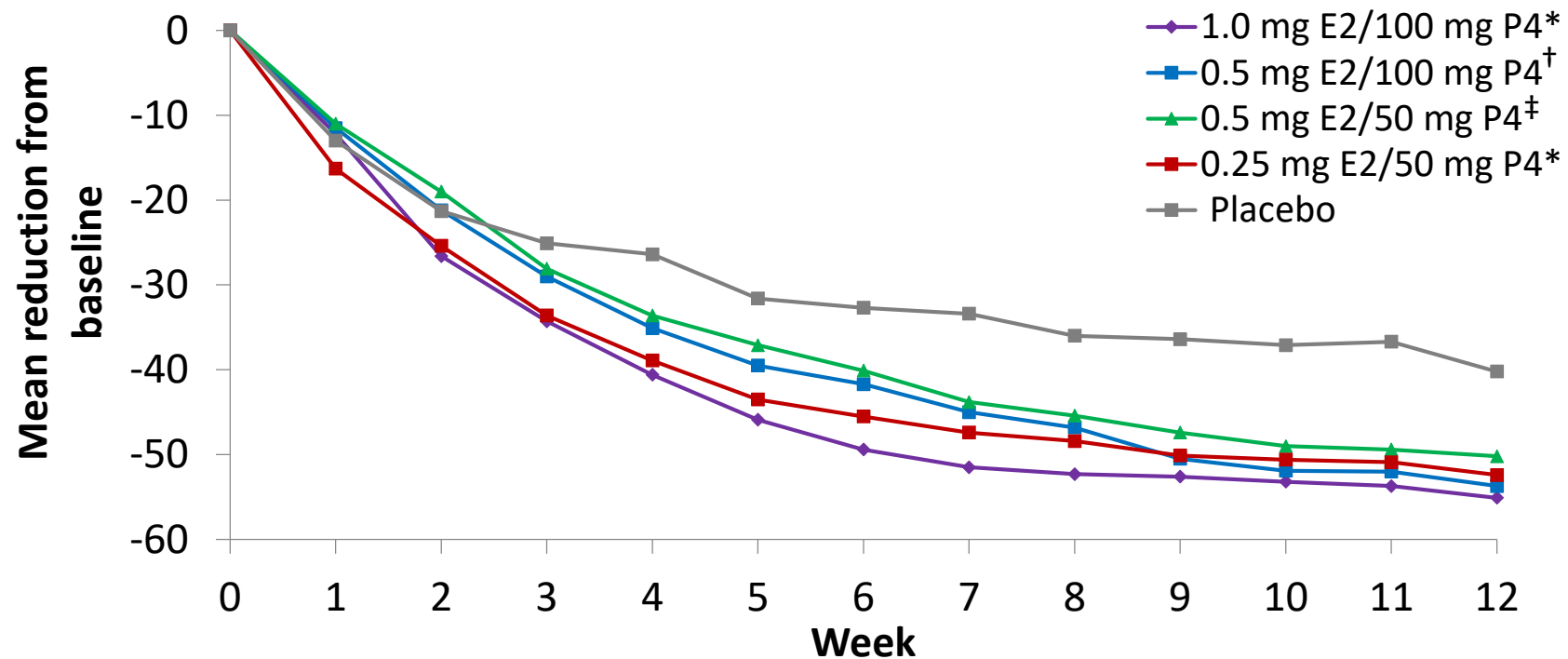
Demographics of VMS Substudy

- Women had a mean age of 55 years (range, 40 to 65) and a mean BMI of 27 kg/m²
- 67% of the women were white and 31% black

Parameter	Estradiol/Progesterone				Placebo
	1 mg/ 100 mg	0.5 mg/ 100 mg	0.5 mg/ 50 mg	0.25 mg/ 50 mg	
n	141	149	147	154	135
Age, y Mean ± SD	54.7 ± 4.8	54.9 ± 4.5	54.8 ± 4.6	54.5 ± 3.8	54.3 ± 4.3
Race, n (%)					
White	95 (67.4)	99 (66.4)	99 (67.3)	102 (66.2)	91 (67.4)
Black	45 (31.9)	48 (32.2)	43 (29.3)	48 (31.2)	41 (30.4)
Other	1 (0.7)	2 (1.3)	5 (3.4)	4 (2.5)	3 (2.2)
BMI, kg/m ² Mean ± SD	26.5 ± 3.9	27.1 ± 4.3	26.6 ± 3.9	26.4 ± 4.0	26.6 ± 3.8

Weekly Reduction in VMS Frequency

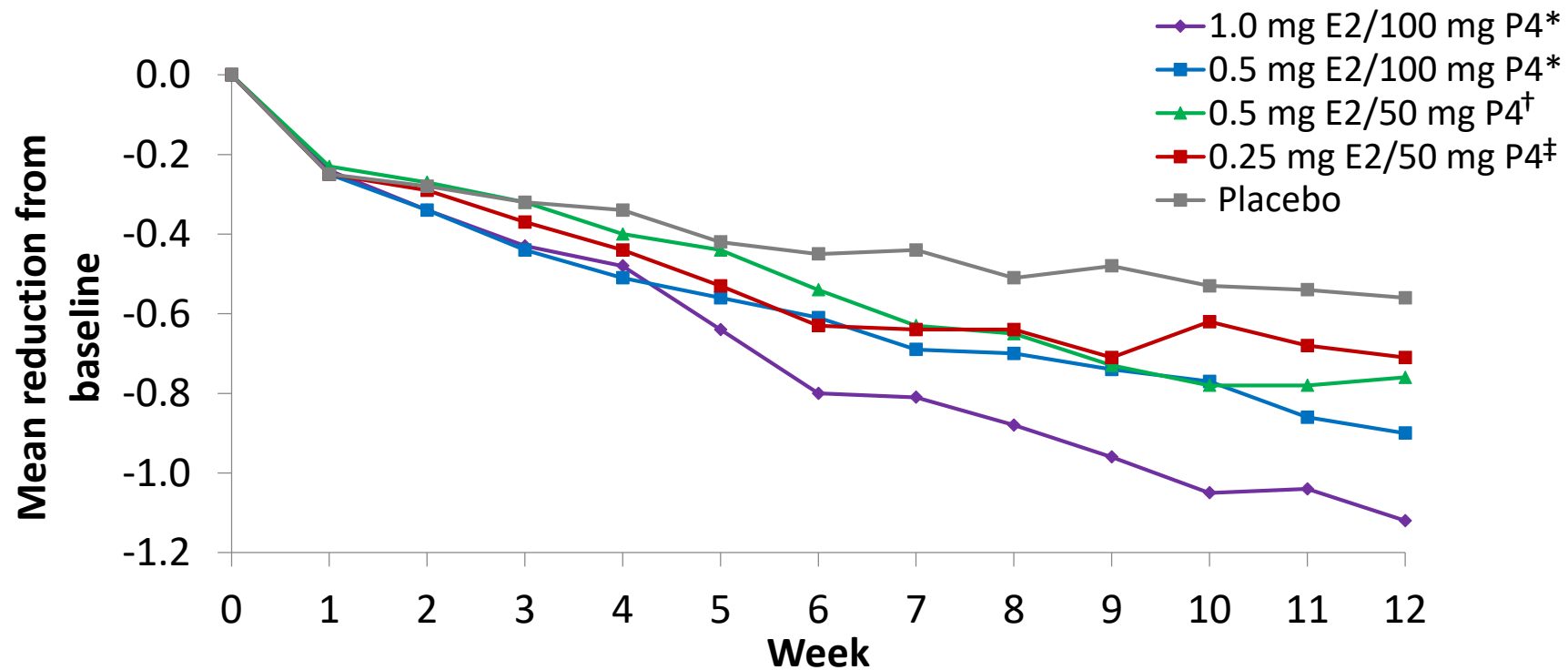
- All TX-001HR doses provided statistically and clinically significant reduction in the weekly frequency of moderate-to-severe VMS from baseline at weeks 4 and 12 compared with placebo
 - Except for 0.5 mg E2/50 mg P4, which reached significance at week 6



Significantly different from placebo ($P < 0.05$) from *Weeks 3–12; †Weeks 4–12; ‡Weeks 6–12.

Weekly Improvement in VMS Severity

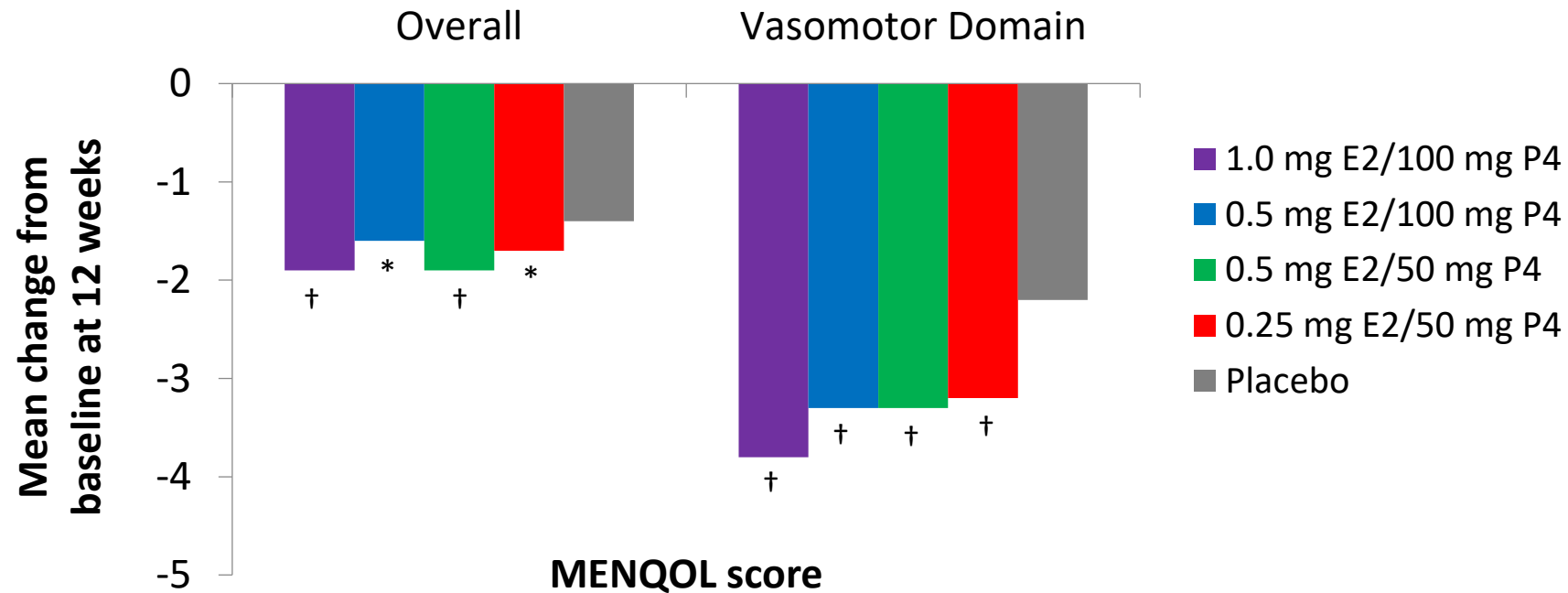
- Doses 1.0 mg E2/100 mg P4 and 0.5 mg E2/100 mg P4 significantly improved the severity of VMS at weeks 4 and 12 compared with placebo
 - 0.5 mg E2/50 mg P4 was significant at weeks 7, 9–12



Significantly different from placebo ($P < 0.05$) from *Weeks 3–12; †Weeks 7, 9–12; ‡Weeks 6, 7, 9.

Improvement in MENQOL at Week 12

- All TX-001HR doses significantly improved the overall MENQOL and vasomotor MENQOL domain scores from baseline to week 12 compared with placebo
 - Significant improvements were maintained to months 6 and 12, except for 0.25 mg E2/50 mg P4 for the overall score



* $P < 0.05$; † $P < 0.001$ vs placebo.

MENQOL: menopause-specific quality of life questionnaire.

Endometrial Safety

- Endometrial hyperplasia incidence was 0% and no malignancies were detected with any TX-001HR dose or placebo

Treatment, n (%)	Estradiol/Progesterone				Placebo
	1 mg/ 100 mg	0.5 mg/ 100 mg	0.5 mg/ 50 mg	0.25 mg/ 50 mg	
n	280	303	306	274	92
Hyperplasia at 12 months					
Incidence rate	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
1-sided upper 95% CI	1.06%	0.98%	0.97%	1.09%	3.20%
Proliferative endometrium					
Screening	2 (0.7)	5 (1.7)	2 (0.7)	1 (0.4)	0 (0)
Month 12	8 (2.9)	5 (1.7)	1 (0.3)	3 (1.1)	0 (0)
Endometrial polyps					
Screening	5 (1.8)	7 (2.3)	5 (1.6)	5 (1.8)	0 (0)
Month 12	4 (1.4)	6 (2.0)	10 (3.3)	7 (2.6)	0 (0)

Safety Endpoints

- All four doses of TX-001HR were well tolerated
- Incidence of TEAEs was low and most TEAEs were mild or moderate in severity
 - Most frequently reported TEAEs ($\geq 5\%$) were headache, nasopharyngitis, breast tenderness, upper respiratory tract infection, nausea, back pain, abdominal pain
- Serious AEs reported were low and consistent with the age and population studied
 - 7 serious TEAEs were considered related to treatment
- No unexpected safety signals were observed

Conclusions

Significant improvements versus placebo were observed with:

- TX-001HR doses 1.0 mg E2/100 mg P4 or 0.5 mg E2/100 mg P4 in the frequency and severity of moderate-to-severe vasomotor symptoms
 - Met endometrial safety and all 4 co-primary efficacy endpoints
- TX-001HR 0.5 mg E2/50 mg P4 in the frequency of moderate-to-severe vasomotor symptoms by week 6 and severity at most time points from weeks 7 to 12
- TX-001HR 0.25 mg E2/50 mg P4 in the frequency, but not severity, of moderate-to-severe vasomotor symptoms at weeks 4 and 12
- MENQOL scores were improved with all doses at 12 weeks compared to placebo

Conclusions

- TX-001HR was well tolerated with no clinically significant differences in AEs compared with placebo
- The TX-001HR clinical trial provided evidence of endometrial protection
 - [See poster LB SUN 07](#)
- TX-001HR, if approved, would be a new oral HT option for postmenopausal women with moderate-to-severe vasomotor symptoms who have an intact uterus
- May be a new option for the estimated millions of women currently using less regulated and unapproved compounded bio-identical HT