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Health Technology Evaluation

Fidanacogene elaparvovec for treating moderately severe to severe haemophilia B

Draft scope

Draft remit/evaluation objective

To appraise the clinical and cost effectiveness of fidanacogene elaparvovec within its anticipated marketing authorisation for treating moderately severe to severe haemophilia B.

Background

Haemophilia is a rare, lifelong genetic condition that affects the ability of blood to clot.¹ This is caused by the inability or reduced ability of the body to produce substances called clotting factors which are needed for clotting. In haemophilia B, the factor affected is called factor IX (nine). Haemophilia B is normally an inherited condition found in men, but some people can have haemophilia B without family history of the disease. Instances of moderately severe or severe haemophilia B in women are rare.²

The main symptom of haemophilia is prolonged bleeding but other complications include bleeding into joints and muscles without having had an injury.¹ Severity of haemophilia is classed according to how much clotting factor is missing compared to normal expected levels of clotting factor.³ Severe haemophilia is classed as less than 1% of normal clotting factor and moderate haemophilia is classed as between 1% and 5% of normal clotting factor. Moderately severe haemophilia does not have a standard definition but is generally considered to be less than 2% of normal clotting factor.

The prevalence of haemophilia B is estimated at around 3.8 per 100,000.³ Registry data suggests that in 2021/2022 there were 372 adults with severe haemophilia B and 350 adults with moderate haemophilia B in the UK.⁴

Current clinical management involves replacing the missing clotting factor IX in the blood through an intravenous infusion of clotting factor concentrate. For more severe haemophilia, this involves regular injections of clotting factor (recommended once or twice weekly) that are used to prevent bleeding (known as prophylaxis). On-demand injections of clotting factor can also be used in less severe haemophilia as an immediate response to bleeding. Some people develop antibodies to the replacement factor IX, called inhibitors, which makes treatment with factor IX replacement less effective.¹ Treatments for people with haemophilia B with factor IX inhibitors include the eradication of the inhibitors (through immune tolerance induction), or bypassing agents which activate the blood clotting system by bypassing the inhibitors.

The technology

Fidanacogene elaparvovec (brand name unknown, Pfizer) does not currently have a marketing authorisation in the UK for the treatment of haemophilia B. It has been studied in single arm trials in people with moderately severe to severe haemophilia B.

Intervention(s)	Fidanacogene elaparvovec
Population(s)	People with moderately severe or severe haemophilia B
Comparators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established clinical management (including prophylaxis and on-demand treatment) Etranacogene dezaparvovec (subject to NICE evaluation)
Outcomes	<p>The outcome measures to be considered include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> change in factor IX levels need for further treatment with factor IX injections annualised bleeding rate durability of response to treatment complications of the disease (e.g. joint problems and joint surgeries) adverse effects of treatment health-related quality of life.
Economic analysis	<p>The reference case stipulates that the cost effectiveness of treatments should be expressed in terms of incremental cost per quality-adjusted life year.</p> <p>The reference case stipulates that the time horizon for estimating clinical and cost effectiveness should be sufficiently long to reflect any differences in costs or outcomes between the technologies being compared.</p> <p>Costs will be considered from an NHS and Personal Social Services perspective.</p> <p>The availability of any commercial arrangements for the intervention, comparator and subsequent treatment technologies will be taken into account.</p>
Other considerations	<p>Guidance will only be issued in accordance with the marketing authorisation. Where the wording of the therapeutic indication does not include specific treatment combinations, guidance will be issued only in the context of the evidence that has underpinned the marketing authorisation granted by the regulator.</p>
Related NICE recommendations	<p>Related Technology Appraisals:</p> <p>none</p>

	<p>Related appraisals in development:</p> <p>‘Etranacogene dezaparvovec for treating moderately severe or severe haemophilia B’ NICE technology appraisal [ID3812]. Publication expected September 2023.</p> <p>‘Valoctocogene roxaparvovec for treating severe haemophilia A’ NICE technology appraisal [ID3806]. Publication date to be confirmed.</p> <p>Related Guidelines:</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Guidelines in development:</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Related Interventional Procedures:</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Related Public Health Guidance/Guidelines:</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Related Quality Standards:</p> <p>None.</p>
<p>Related National Policy</p>	<p>NHS England (2013) 2013/14 NHS standard contract for haemophilia (all ages) section B part 1 - service specifications</p> <p>The NHS Long Term Plan, 2019. NHS Long Term Plan</p> <p>NHS England (2018/2019) NHS manual for prescribed specialist services (2018/2019). Chapter 132.</p>

Questions for consultation

Where do you consider fidanacogene elaparvovec will fit into the existing care pathway for haemophilia B?

Are there any subgroups of people in whom fidanacogene elaparvovec is expected to be more clinically effective and cost effective or other groups that should be examined separately?

Would fidanacogene elaparvovec be a candidate for managed access?

Do you consider that the use of fidanacogene elaparvovec can result in any potential substantial health-related benefits that are unlikely to be included in the QALY calculation?

Please identify the nature of the data which you understand to be available to enable the committee to take account of these benefits.

NICE is committed to promoting equality of opportunity, eliminating unlawful discrimination and fostering good relations between people with particular protected characteristics and others. Please let us know if you think that the proposed remit and scope may need changing in order to meet these aims. In particular, please tell us if the proposed remit and scope:

- could exclude from full consideration any people protected by the equality legislation who fall within the patient population for which fidanacogene elaparvovec will be licensed;
- could lead to recommendations that have a different impact on people protected by the equality legislation than on the wider population, e.g. by making it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access the technology;
- could have any adverse impact on people with a particular disability or disabilities.

Please tell us what evidence should be obtained to enable the committee to identify and consider such impacts.

NICE intends to evaluate this technology through its Single Technology Appraisal process. (Information on NICE's health technology evaluation processes is available at <https://www.nice.org.uk/about/what-we-do/our-programmes/nice-guidance/nice-technology-appraisal-guidance/changes-to-health-technology-evaluation>).

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