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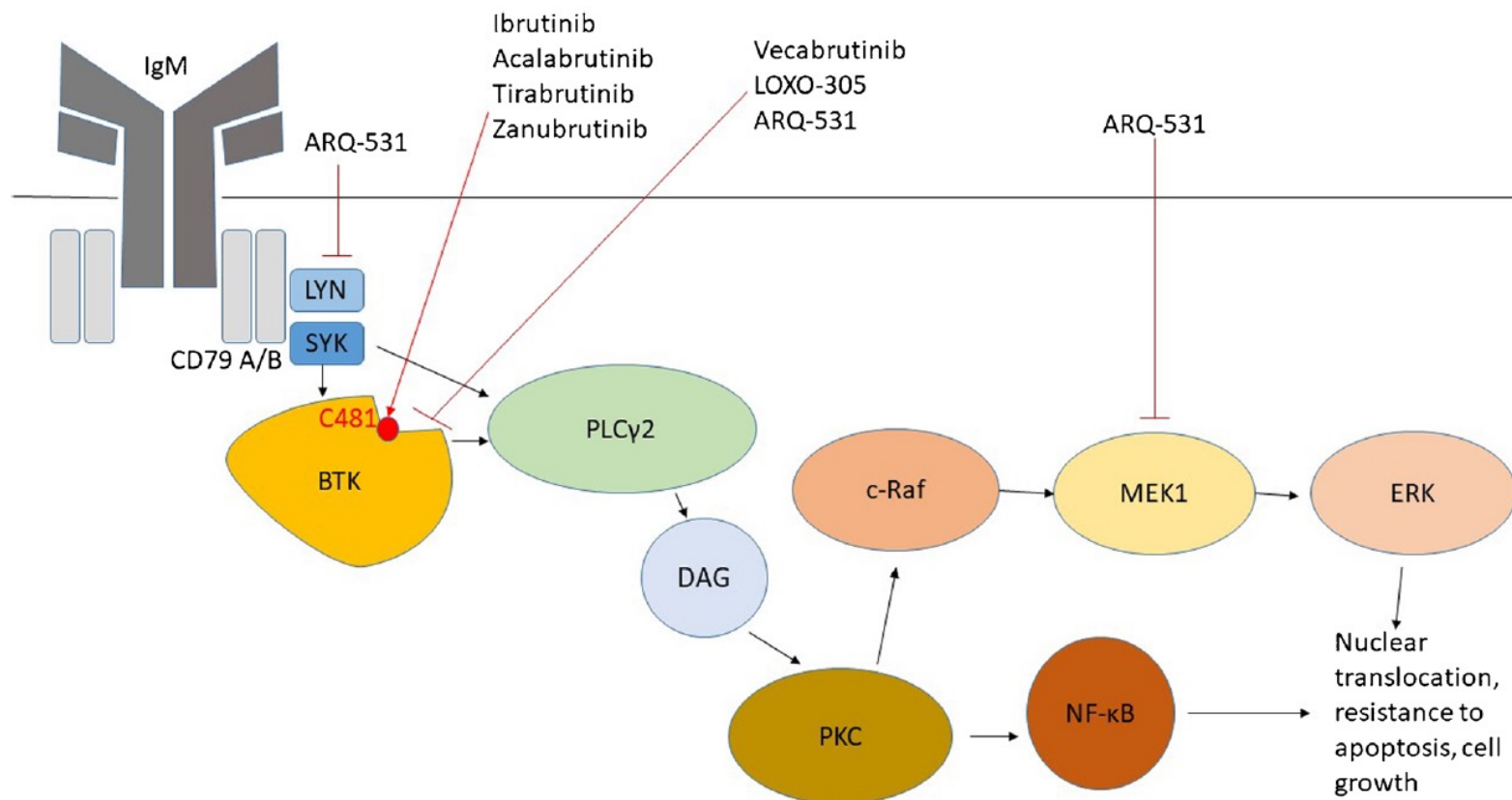
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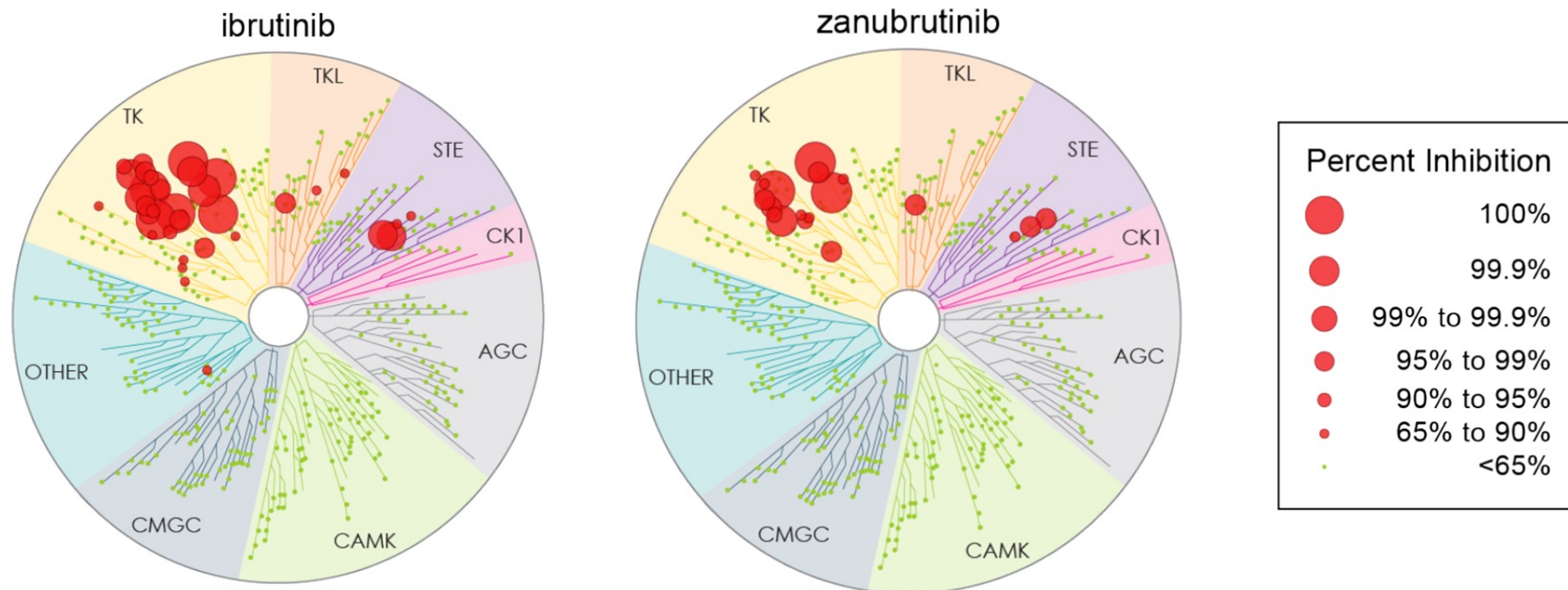
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Mechanism of action of BTK inhibitors



Kinome profiling at 1 μ M of ibrutinib and zanubrutinib



IC₅₀ of BTK and members of the TEC protein kinase family by ibrutinib and zanubrutinib

Kinase	Ibrutinib IC ₅₀ (nM) ^a	Zanubrutinib IC ₅₀ (nM) ^b
BLK	0.1 + 0.0	1.13 ^c
BMX	0.8 ± 0.1	0.62 ^c
BTK	1.5	0.3 ± 0.06
EGFR	5.3 ± 1.3	2.6 ± 1.0 ^c
ERBB2	6.4 ± 1.8	530 ± 273
ERBB4	3.4 ± 1.4	1.58 ^c
ITK	4.9 ± 1.25	56 ± 12
JAK3	32 ± 15.0	580 ± 21
TEC	10 ± 2.0	2.0 ± 0.8
TXK	2.0 ± 0.3	2.95 ^c

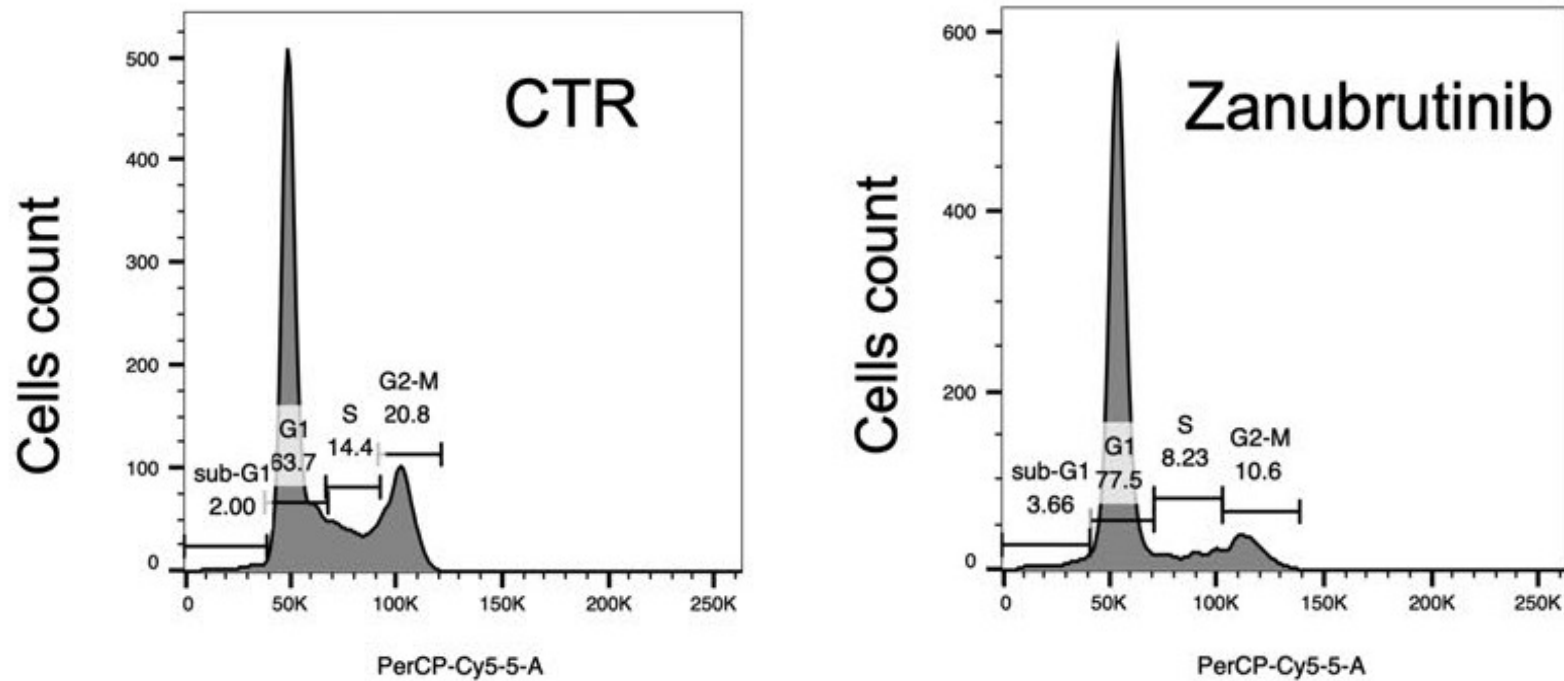
Selectivity of zanubrutinib and ibrutinib on selected kinases

Relative to BTK IC₅₀ (0.3/0.5 nM)

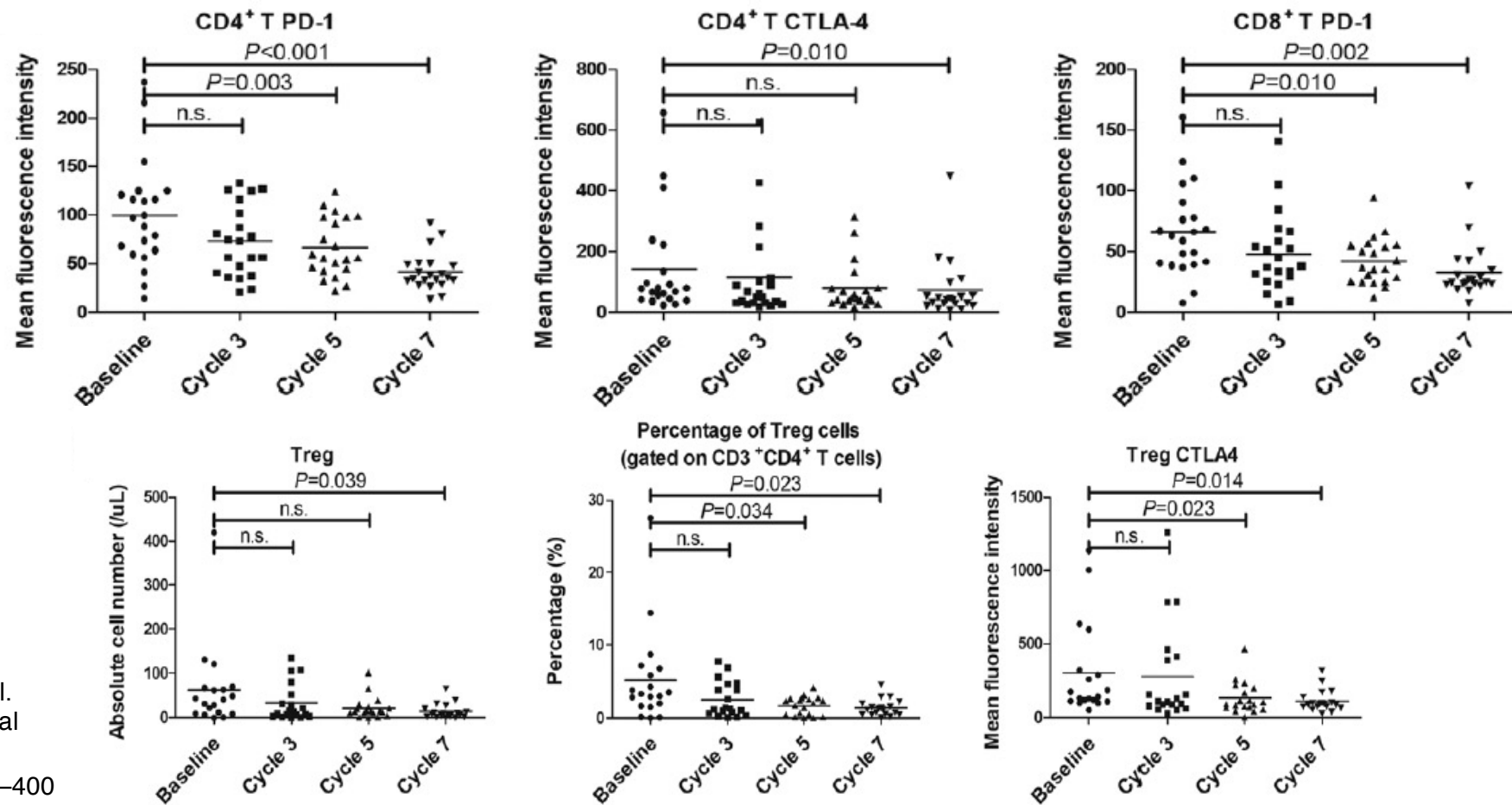
Relative to BTK IC₅₀ (1.5 nM)

Kinase ^a	Zanubrutinib selectivity	Ibrutinib selectivity ^b
EGFR	42	3.5
ITK	100	3.3
TEC	88	6.7
HER2	176	4.3
HER4	13.8	2.3
BMX	2.8	0.5
TXK	4.4	1.3
BLK	5.0	0.1
JAK3	2754	21

Cell cycle distribution after treatment with zanubrutinib



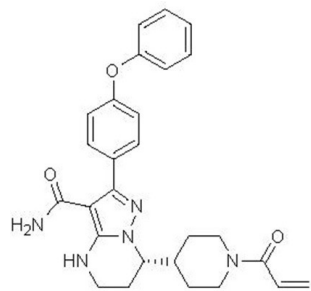
Dynamics of T cells and their subsets changes during zanubrutinib treatment



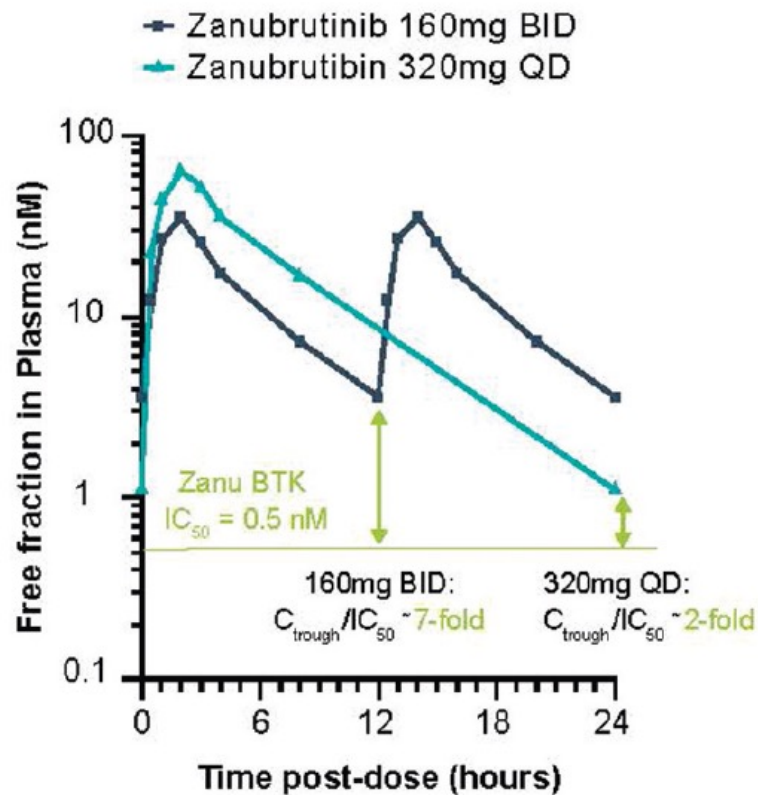
Free drug concentration time profiles relative to IC50 of BTK

Zanubrutinib

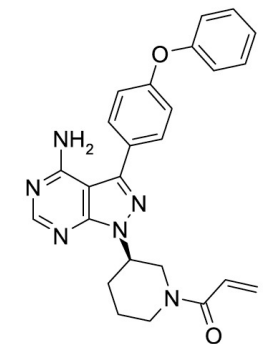
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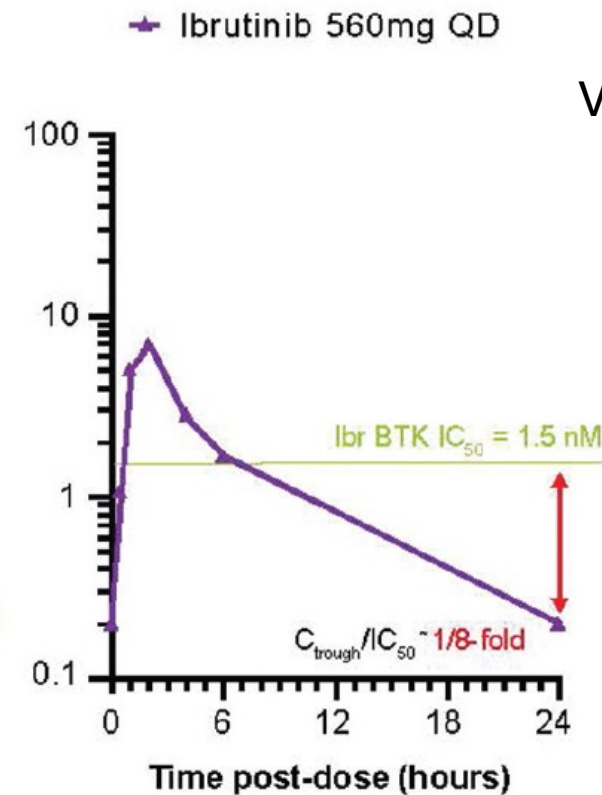
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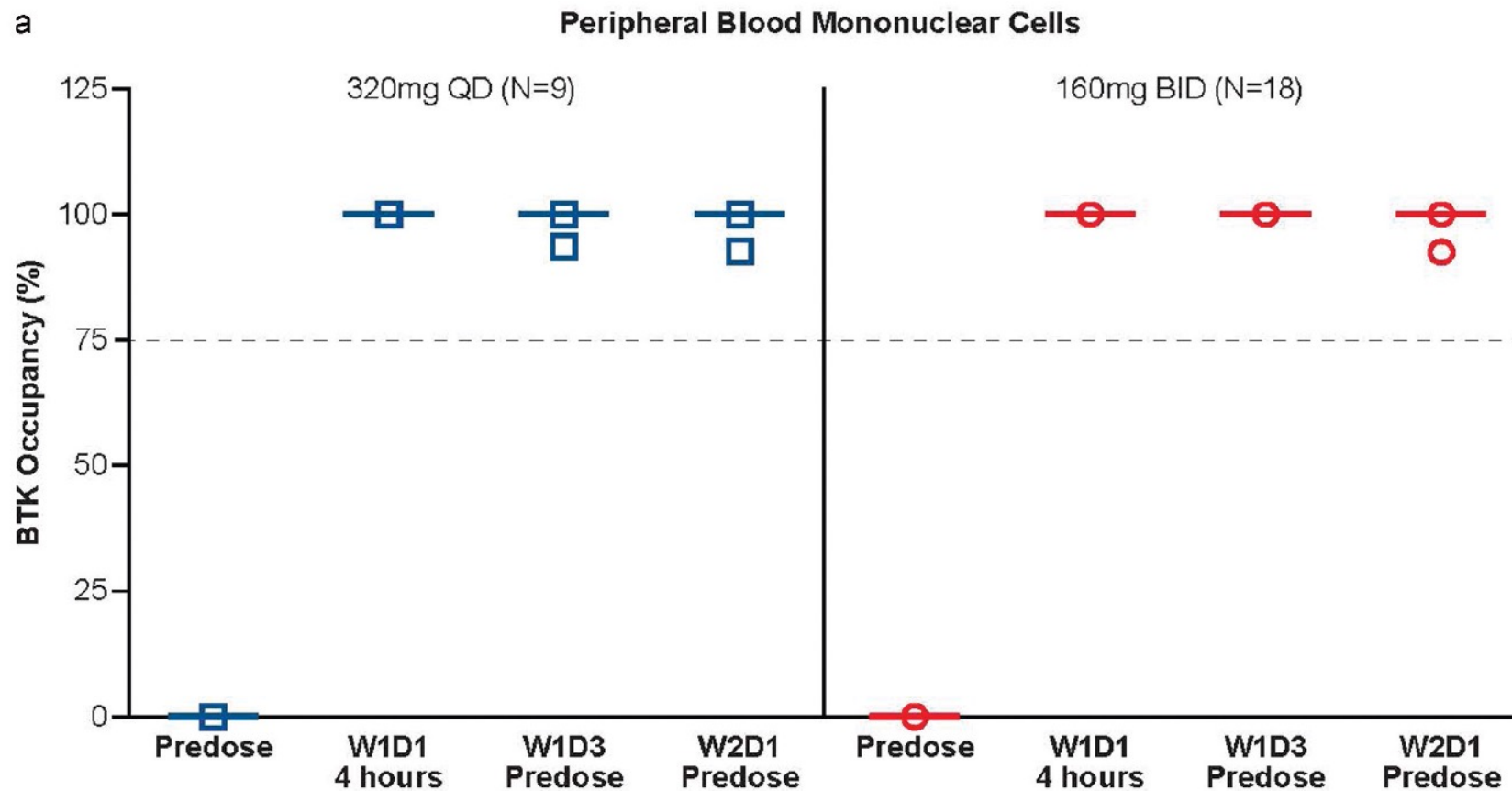
Ibrutinib

 $V_{d,ss}/F$: 10000 L

Ibrutinib



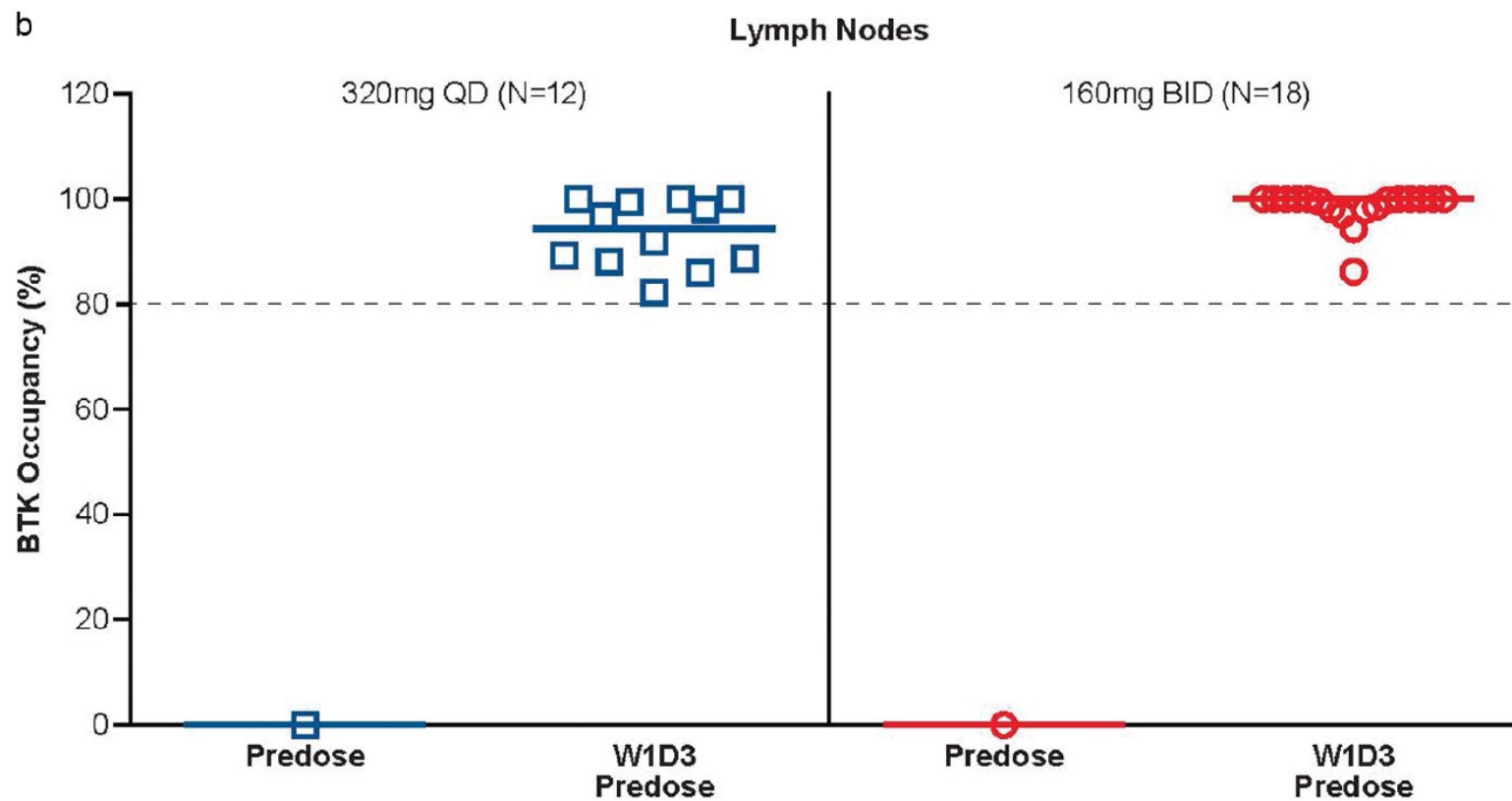
Zanubrutinib BTK occupancy in PBMC by dose regimen



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Zanubrutinib BTK occupancy in lymph nodes by dose regimen



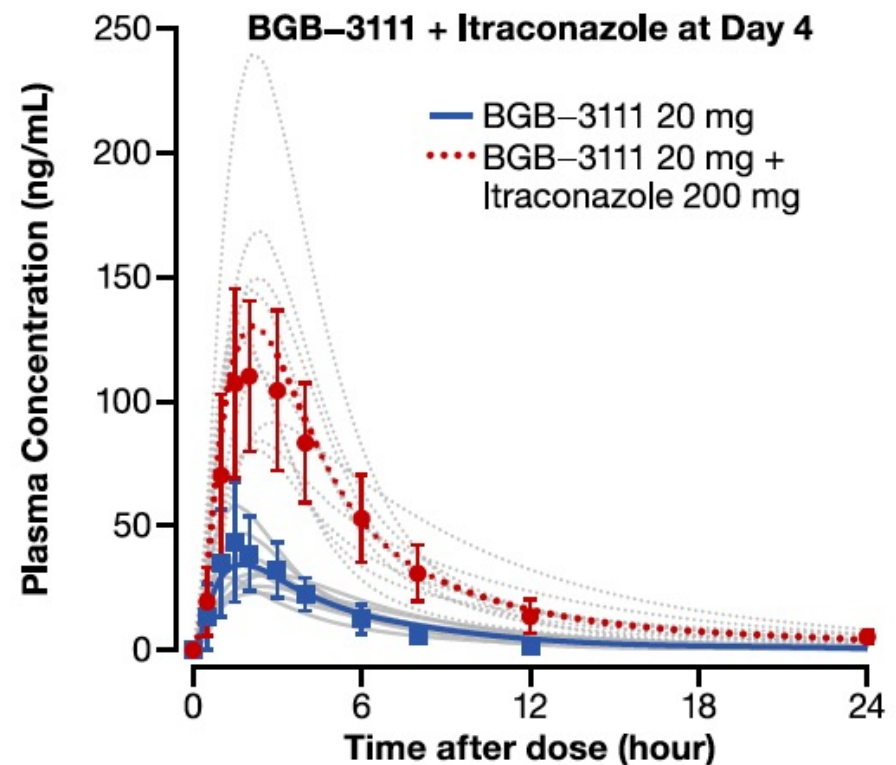
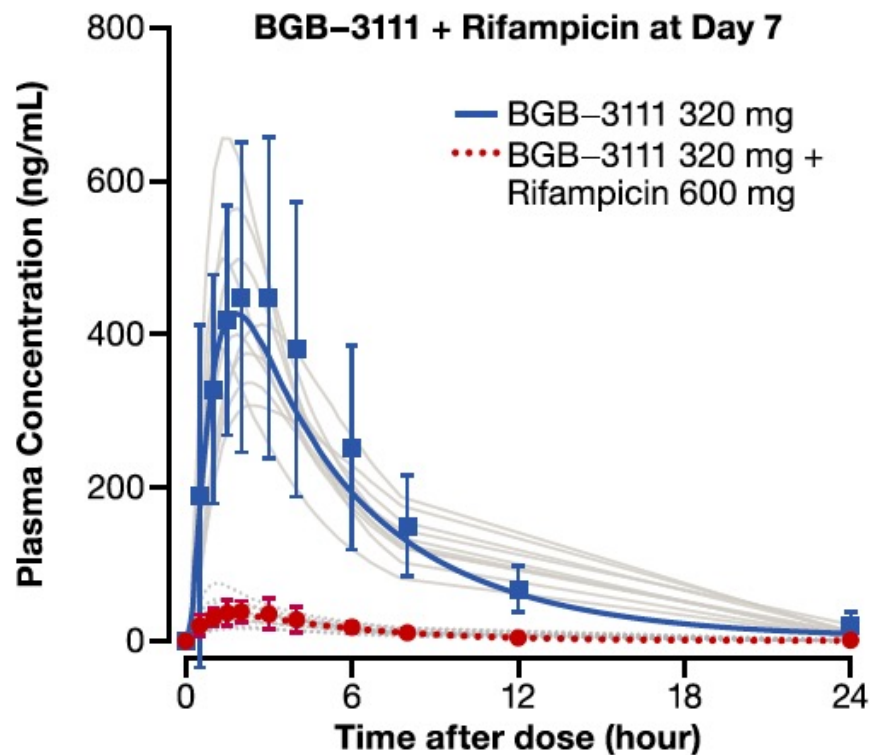
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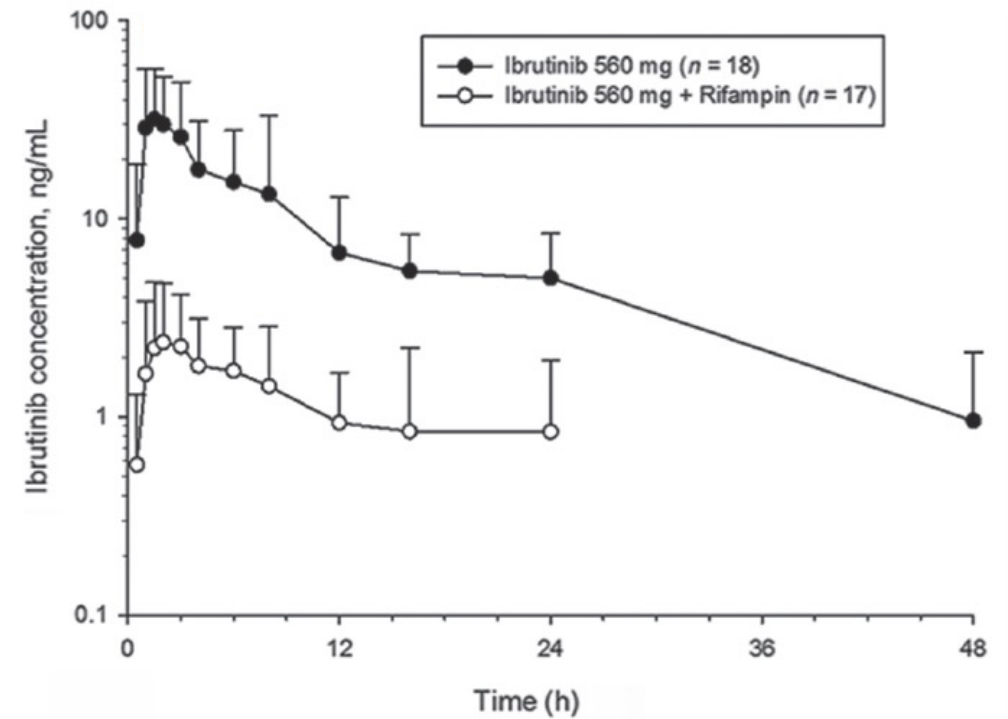
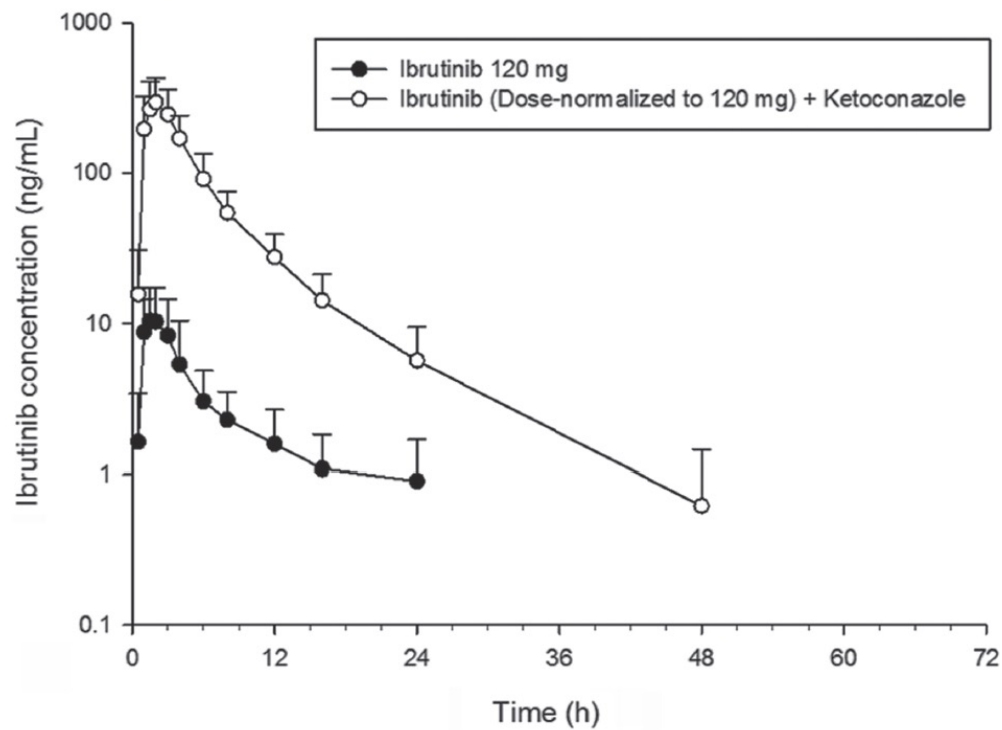
Pharmacologic characteristics of zanubrutinib and ibrutinib

	Zanubrutinib	Ibrutinib
Approved indications	MCL, WM*	MCL, CLL, and WM. MZL chronic graft versus host disease (cGVHD)
FDA approved dose	160 mg BID or 320 mg QD	420 or 560 mg QD
IC ₅₀ against BTK (nM) [24]	0.5	1.5
Potency of major active metabolite against BTK	NA	~15-fold less potent compared to the parent molecule
Half-life (hr)	~2 to 4	~4 to 6
Plasma protein binding (%)	~94%	97.3% – 97.7% [15]
AUC _{0-24hr} (CV%) ng·hr/mL	160 mg BID: 2295 (37%) 320 mg QD: 2180 (41%)	420 mg QD: 707–1159 (50%-72%) 560 mg QD: 865–978 (69%-82%)
fu. AUC _{0-24hr} (nM·hr)	160 mg BID: 278 320 mg QD: 267	420 mg QD: 37–60 560 mg QD: 46–51
Plasma exposure of major active metabolite	NA	1- to 2.8-fold higher than parent AUC [15]
Median BTK occupancy in PBMC at trough	320 mg QD: 100% 160 mg BID: 100%	420 mg to 820 mg QD: >90% [30,33]
Median BTK occupancy in lymph node at trough	320 mg QD: 94% 160 mg BID: 100%	420 mg QD: >90% [16]
Pgp and brain penetration	Weak P-gp substrate Brain penetration data in patients available	Not a P-gp substrate Brain penetration data in patients available
Major enzyme involved	CYP3A	CYP3A

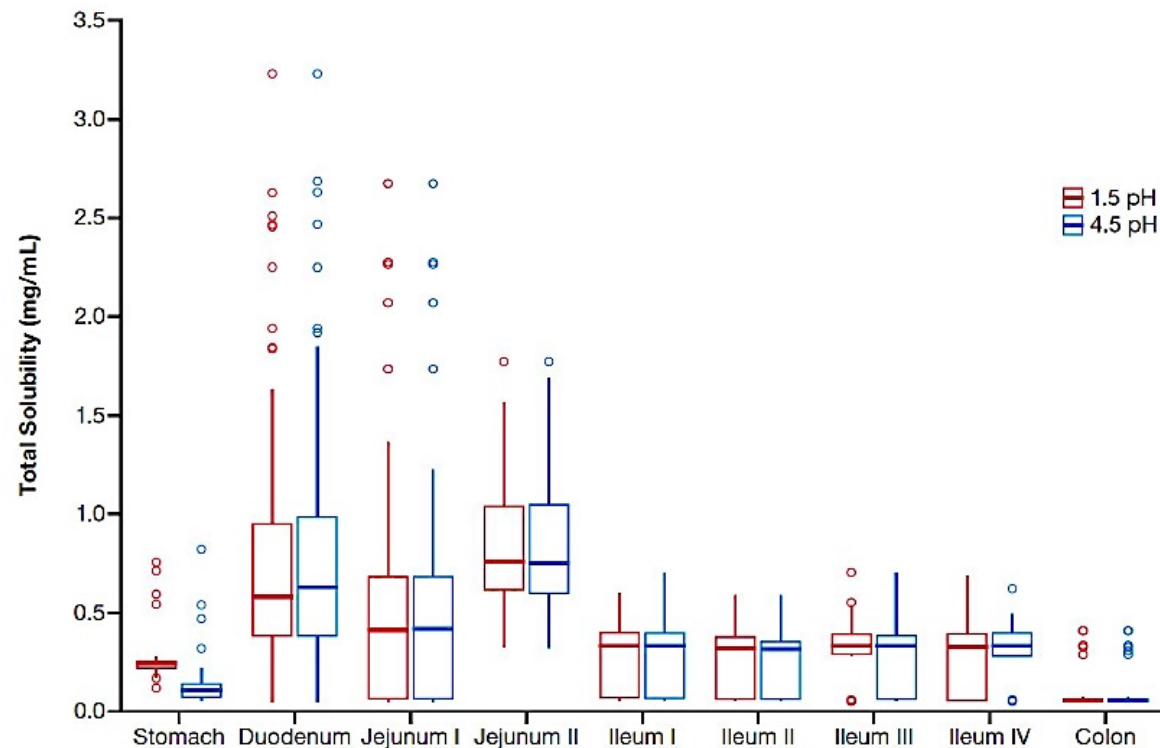
DDI of zanubrutinib with CYP3A4 modulators



DDI of ibrutinib with CYP3A4 modulators



Predicted effect of gastric pH values (pH=1.5 and 4.5) on solubility



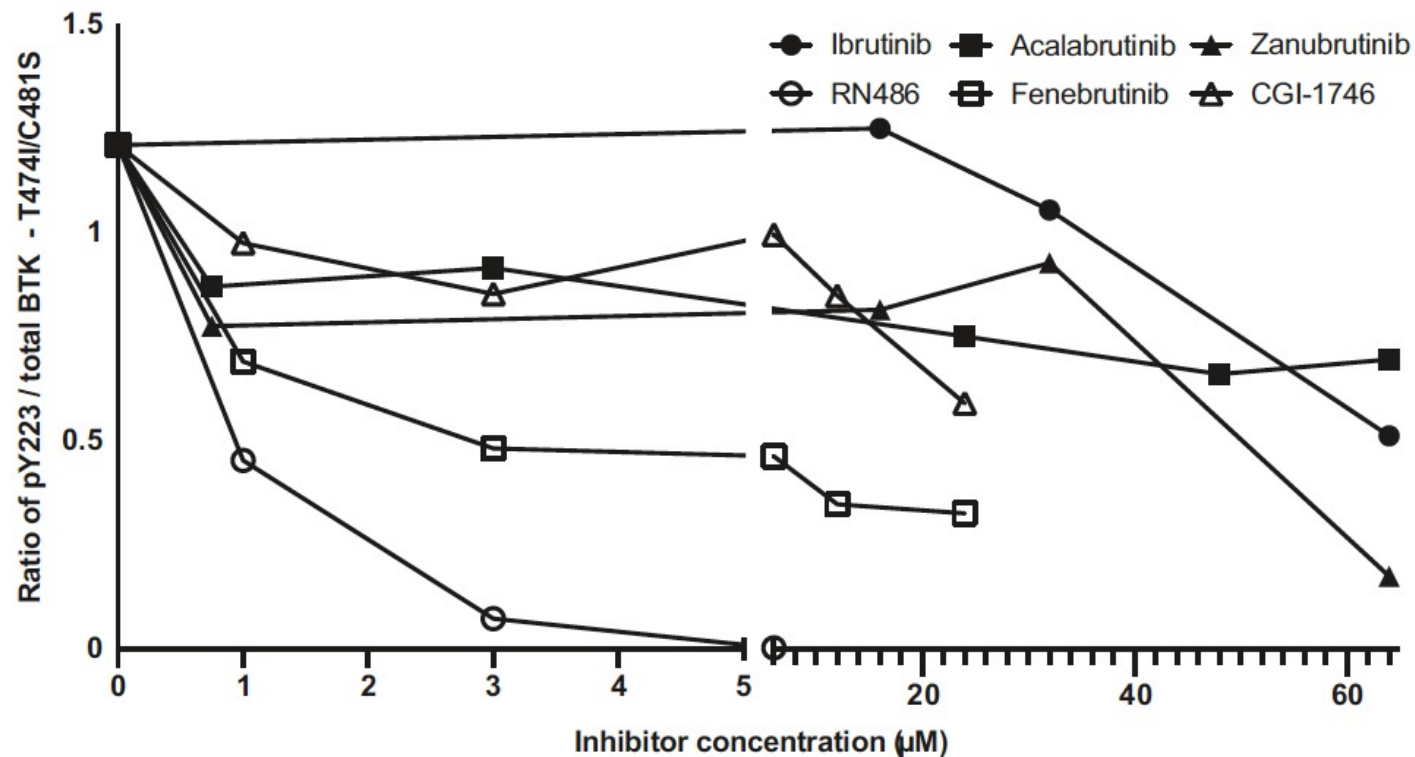
Wang K et al. CPT
Pharmacometrics Syst
Pharmacol 2021;10:441–
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PK Parameters	pH=1.5	pH=4.5	Ratio
C_{max} , ng/mL (95%CI)	238.39 (206.79-274.81)	232.40 (201.07-268.60)	1.03
AUC_{0-24hr} , ng*hr/mL (95%CI)	1444.15 (1308.28-1594.13)	1456.12 (1320.47-1605.70)	0.99

Effects of ibrutinib on BTK activity in single and double variants

	BTK residue single variants					BTK residues double variants	
	T474E T474L T474Q	T474V T474I T474S	T474A T474N	T474P	T474M	T474A/C481S T474S/C481S	T474I/C481S T474M/C481S T474M/C481T
BTK activity	normal	weak	absent	normal	weak	normal	
Ibrutinib inhibitory conc. (μM)	0.5	0.5	—	≥ 4	0.5	> 64	

Comparison of ibrutinib on mechanisms of resistance with second-generation BTK inhibitors



Conclusions

- Zanubrutinib is an oral inhibitor of Bruton's tyrosine kinase designed for greater target selectivity and higher therapeutic exposures than the first-in-class BTK inhibitor ibrutinib.
- Zanubrutinib forms an irreversible, covalent bond at Cys481 within the adenosine triphosphate-binding pocket of BTK.
- The greater selectivity of zanubrutinib as well as its PK/PD profiles translates into clinically impactful benefits, including improved dosing flexibility, safety, and efficacy.