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Inhibiting Syk in ITP

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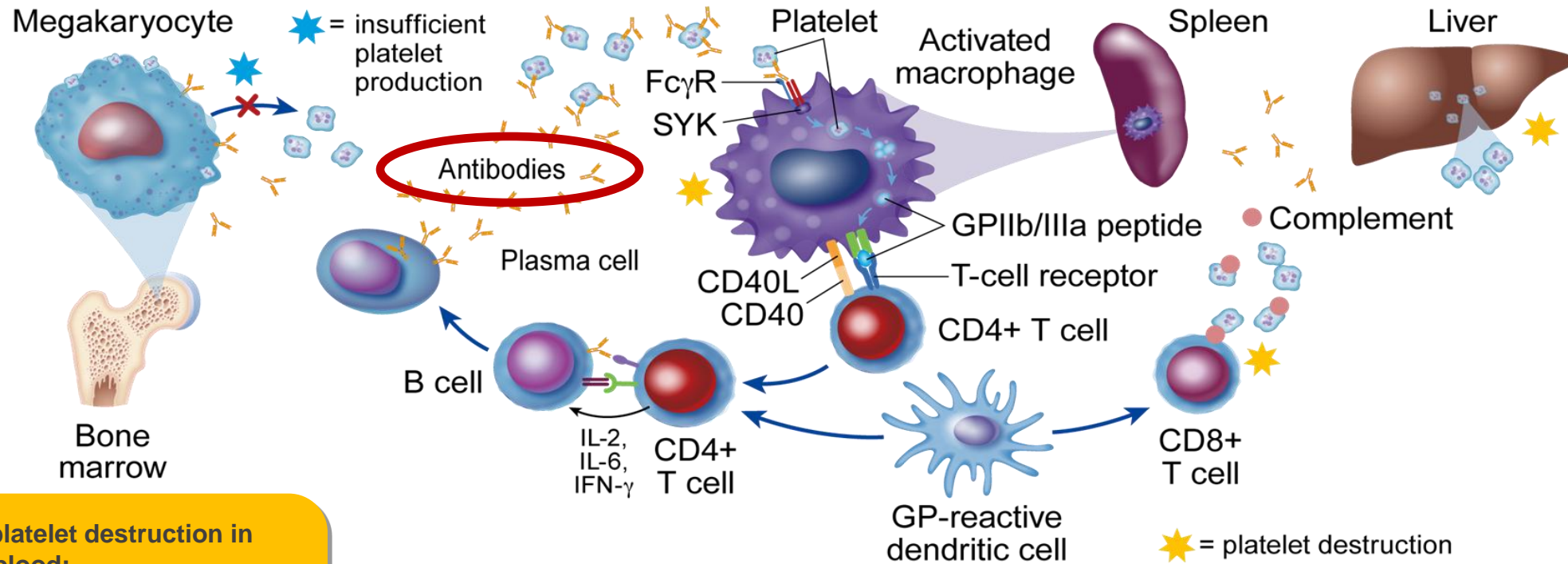
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Decreased platelet production in BM

Megakaryocyte maturation impeded by autoantibodies



Increased platelet destruction in peripheral blood:

- SYK-mediated platelet destruction
- Cytotoxic T-cell activity
- Hepatic desialylation
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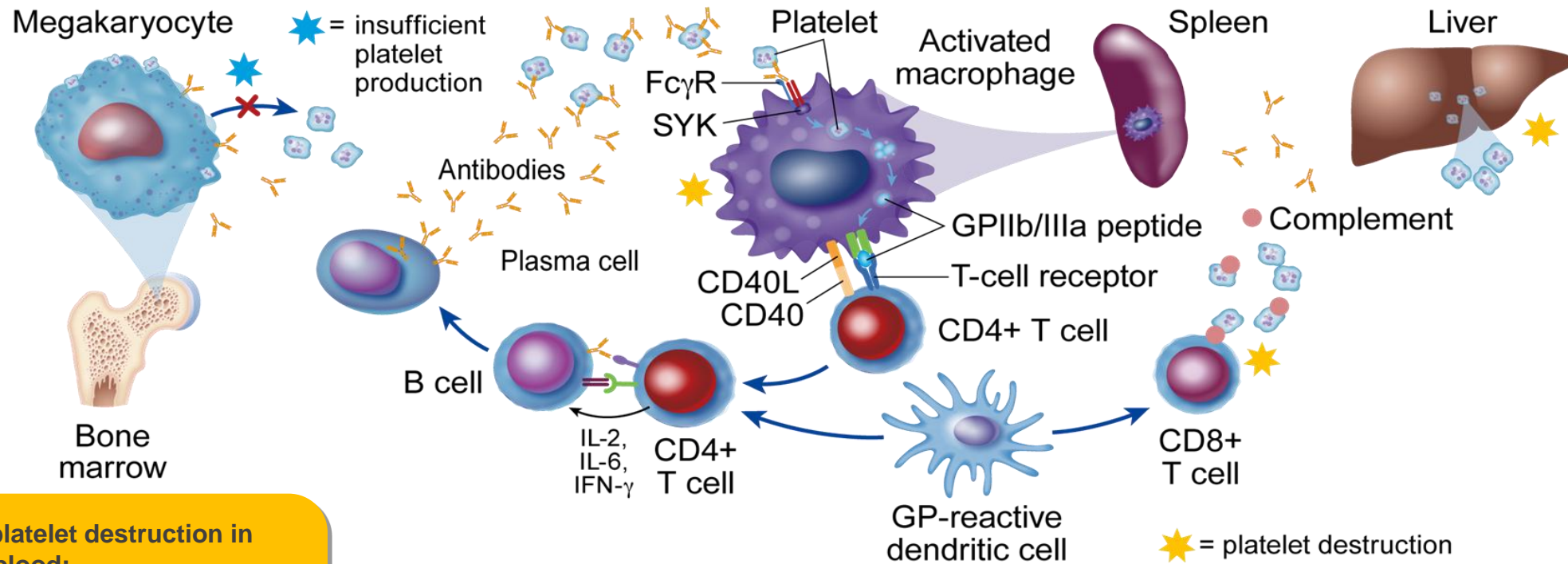
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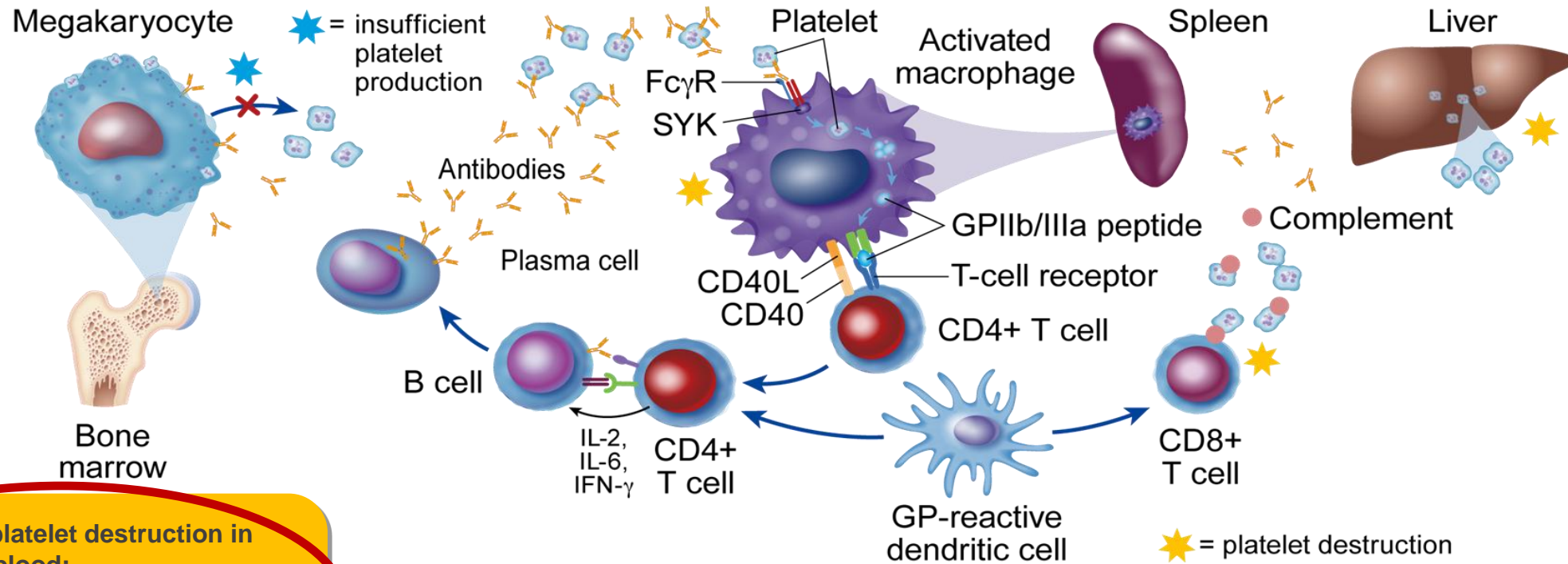
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Fostamatinib Approval for ITP

- **On April 17, 2018**, the **Food and Drug Administration (FDA)** approved fostamatinib (TAVALISSE®) for the treatment of thrombocytopenia in adult patients with **chronic immune thrombocytopenia (ITP) who have had an insufficient response to a previous treatment**
- **On January 9, 2020**, the **European Medicine Agency (EMA)** approved fostamatinib (TAVLESSE®) for the treatment of **chronic immune thrombocytopenia (ITP)** in adult patients **who are refractory to other treatments**
- **On September 1, 2021** fostamatinib (TAVLESSE®) **was approved in Spain**



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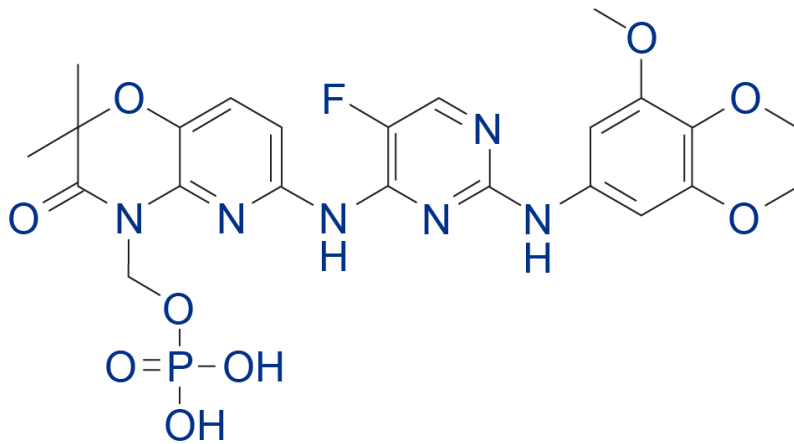
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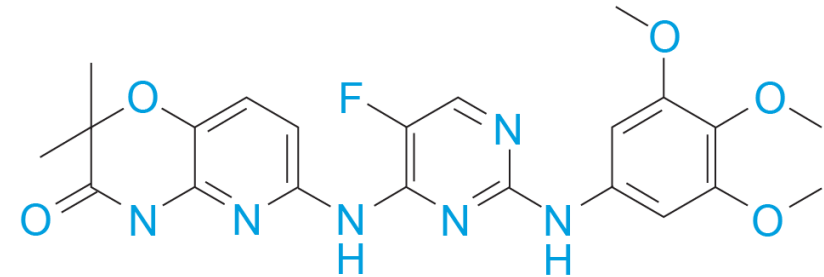
**Fostamatinib
(R788)**



Alkaline phosphatase at
the apical brush border
of intestinal enterocyte
membranes



**Active
Metabolite
(R406)**



**Fostamatinib is metabolised in the
intestine by alkaline phosphatase
to the active moiety R406**

Singh J, et al. *J Med Chem.* 2012;55:3614-3643.

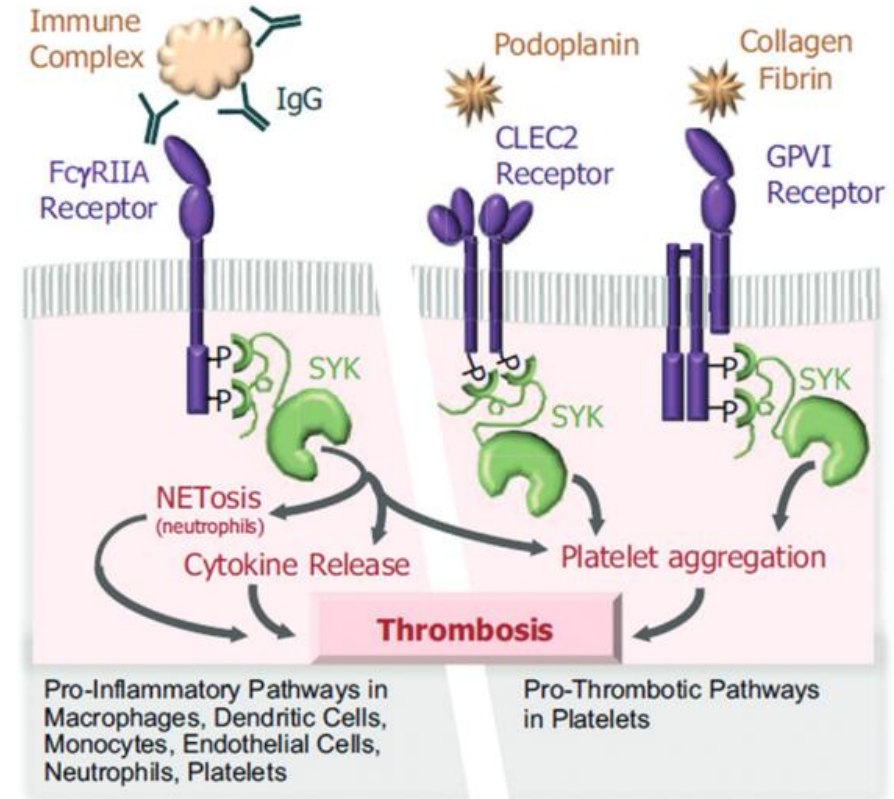
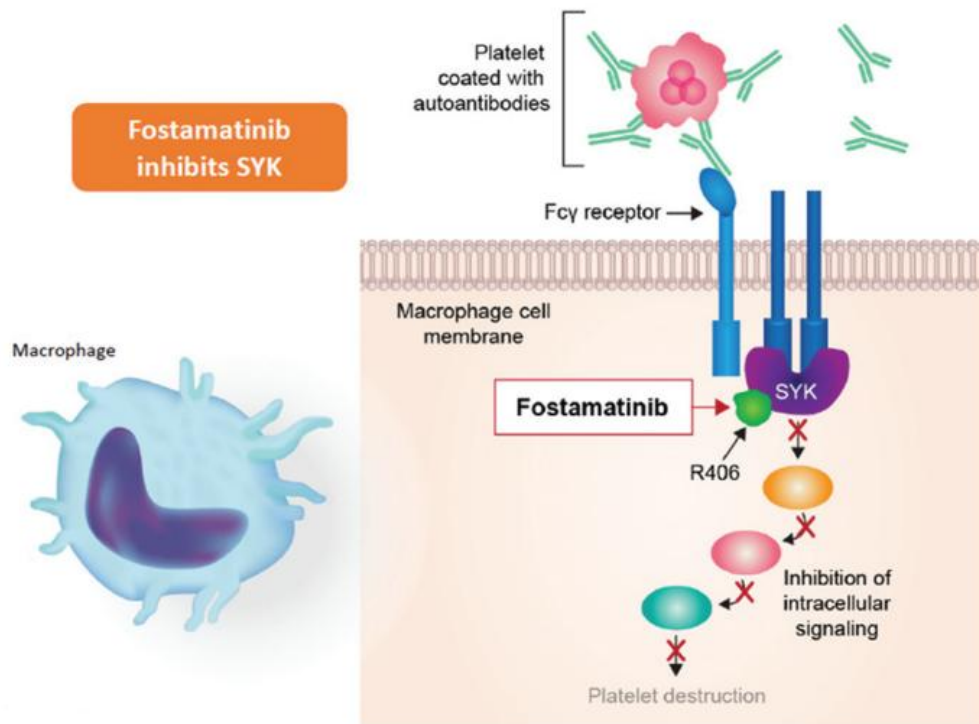
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Fostamatinib



The primary metabolite of fostamatinib, R406, inhibits signal transduction at Fc γ receptors and B-cell receptors.

SYK-INDUCED PRO-INFLAMMATORY and PRO-COAGULANT EFFECT

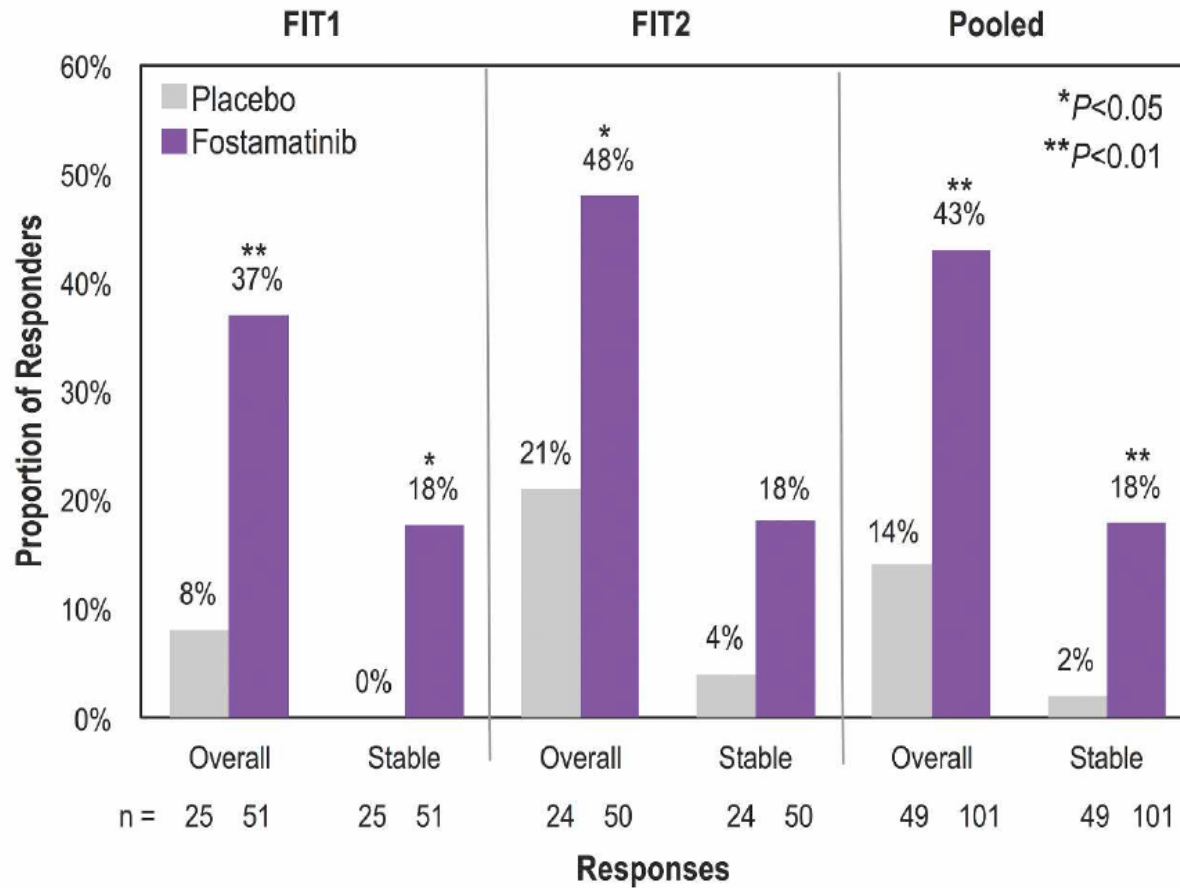
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Fostamatinib: efficacy (pivotal trials)



Very stringent primary efficacy endpoint

Stable response:
Platelet count $\geq 50 \times 10^9/L$ on at least 4 of 6 visits without need for rescue treatment during weeks 14-24

J Bussel et al. Am J Hematol 2018; 93:921-930



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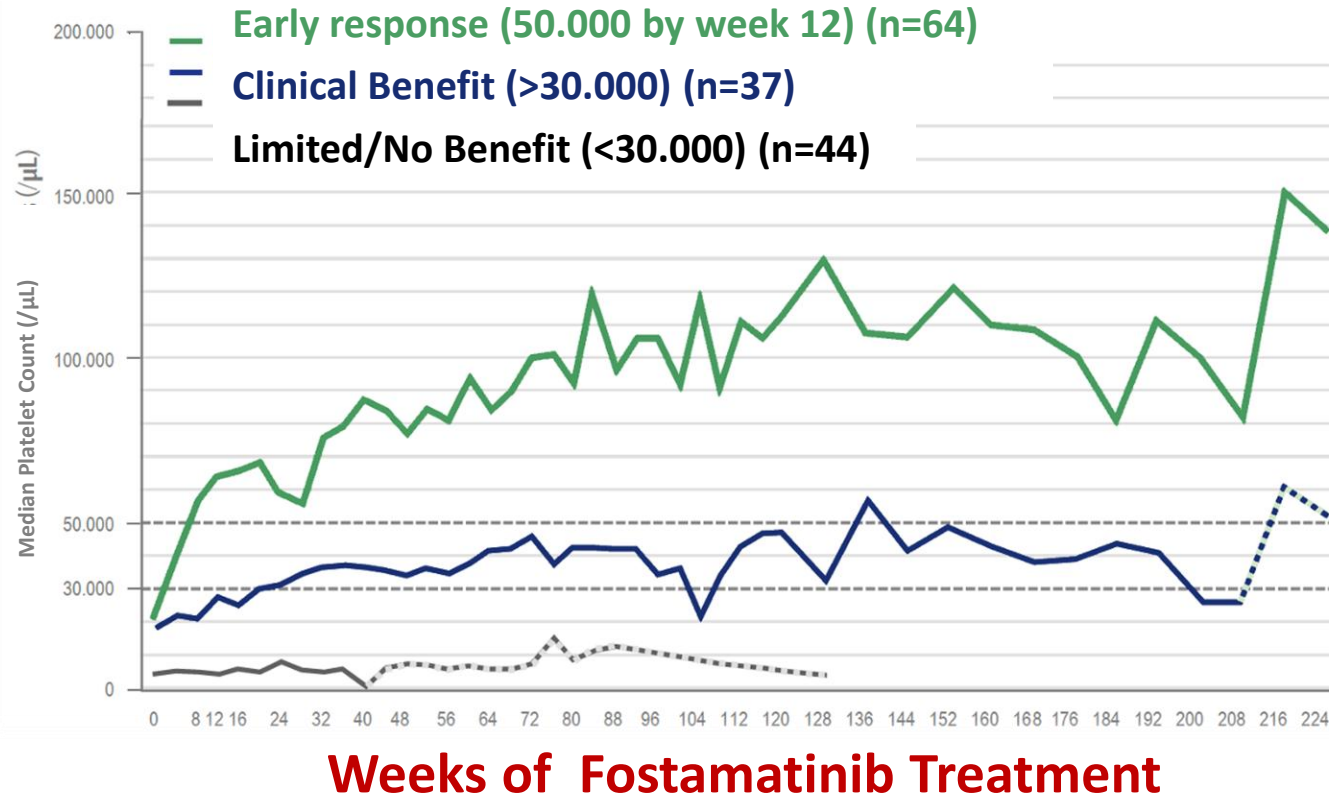
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Fostamatinib: long-term efficacy (5 years)

Platelet Count Over Time



54% of patients achieved a platelet count $\geq 50,000/\mu\text{L}$.

44% of patients exceeded a platelet count of 50,000/ μL by week 12.

70% of patients achieved a platelet count $\geq 30,000/\mu\text{L}$.

63% of patients achieved a platelet count $\geq 30,000/\mu\text{L}$ at week 12.

The median platelet count of the study patients increased over time and remained between 50,000-150,000/ μL during the time of treatment.

Cooper et al. Ther Adv Hematol. 2021;12: 1-12

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Fostamatinib: long-term safety (5 years)

Common adverse effects ($\geq 10\%$ patients) classified by severity

Common AEs	Mild (%)	Moderate (%)	Severe (%)	Randomized + extension	Randomized trials	
				Fostamatinib <i>n</i> = 146 229 Pt-years (%)	Fostamatinib <i>n</i> = 102 29 Pt-years (%)	Placebo <i>n</i> = 48 12 Pt-years (%)
Diarrhea	17	17	2	36	29	15
Hypertension	12	10	1	22	20	8
Nausea	17	2	0	19	19	8
Epistaxis	12	7	0	19	16	10
Petechiae	10	4	1	15	4	6
Headache	10	4	1	14	11	19
Upper respiratory tract infection	10	3	0	12	6	4
Dizziness	9	2	1	12	11	8
Contusion	9	1	1	12	6	2
ALT increased	6	4	0	10	11	0

AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; Pt-years; patient-years.

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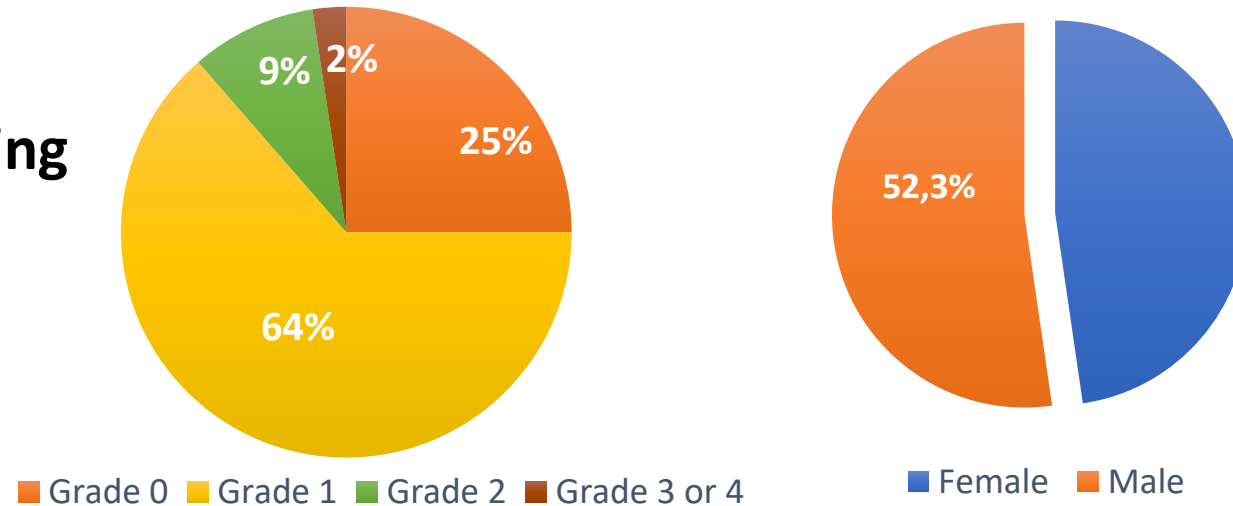
Fostamatinib in Spain: FOSTAMES & FOSTASUR studies



Fostamatinib in Spain: FOSTASUR study

- **N=44 patients**
- **1st October 2021-31 December 2022 (15 months)**
- **Median age: 58 years** (range 18-86)
- **Median time from diagnosis: 31 months** (range 5-280 months)

Basal Bleeding severity (WHO)



Jiménez-Bárceñas R et al. Br J Haematol. 2024;204:1977–1985

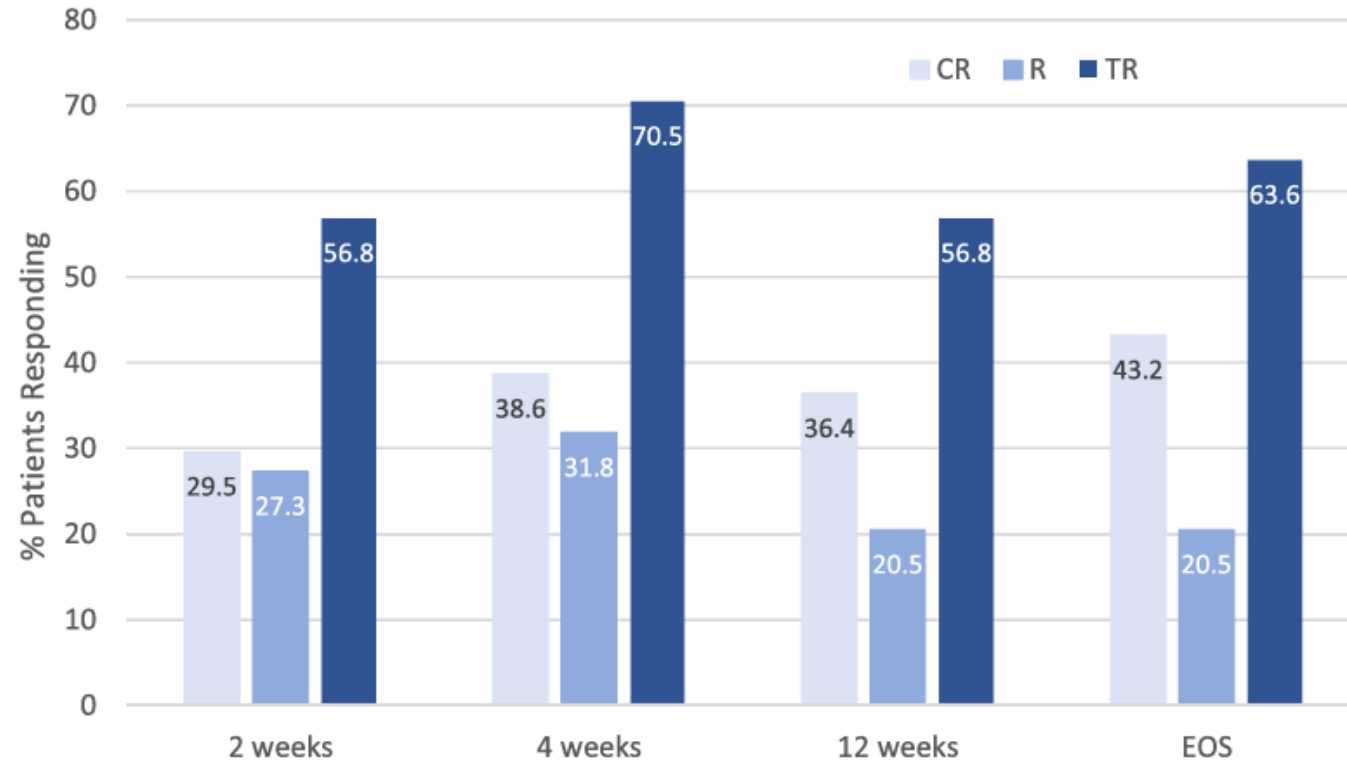
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Patients Treated with Fostamatinib
 ≥ 4 weeks
 n = 44

ITP duration at baseline	
Newly diagnosed (<3 months)	3 (6.8)
Persistent (3–12 months)	6 (13.6)
Chronic (>12 months)	35 (79.5)
	Median (IQR)
Age (years)	58 (18–86)
Platelet count at diagnosis	$11 \times 10^9/L$ ($1-76 \times 10^9/L$)
Platelet count at baseline	$15 \times 10^9/L$ ($2-195 \times 10^9/L$)
Time since diagnosis (months)	31 (5–280)
Number of prior treatments	4 (1–8)

Abbreviation: IQR, interquartile range.

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EoS: 15 months since fostamatinib initiation.



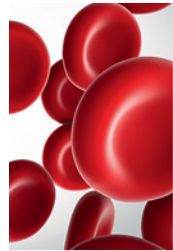
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Fostamatinib in Spain: FOSTAMES study



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PLATELETS AND THROMBOPOIESIS

Fostamatinib effectiveness and safety for immune thrombocytopenia in clinical practice

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González-López TJ et al. Blood. 2024;144:646–654



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FOSTAMES study: Methods

- Multicentre, retrospective and prospective observational study at national level to evaluate the management of fostamatinib (Tavlesse®) in adult patients with ITP in Spain.
- 138 adult patients with ITP from 42 Spanish centers, who had been treated with fostamatinib were evaluated.
- Most of patients (n = 126; 91.3%) were evaluated prospectively.



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FOSTAMES study: Demographics (I)

- The median age of our cohort was 66 yr (interquartile range [IQR], 56-80 yr). 77 (55.8%) were women. 122 of them were Primary ITP, 15 Secondary ITP and only one Evans Syndrome.
- 28 (20.2%) had ≥ 1 comorbidity of the Charlson Comorbidity Index at the time of diagnosis.
- The median time with a diagnosis of ITP at initiation of fostamatinib was 51 months (IQR, 10-166 months).

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FOSTAMES study: Demographics (II)

- The median number of therapies prior to fostamatinib was 4 (IQR, 2-5).
- Previous therapies: eltrombopag (76.1%), romiplostim (57.2%), IVIG (44.2%), rituximab (29.0%), avatrombopag (9.4%) and splenectomy (13.8%).
- 83 patients (60.1%) were treated with fostamatinib monotherapy throughout ITP.

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FOSTAMES study: Effectiveness

- A total of 109 of the 138 patients (79.0%) responded to fostamatinib.
- 74 of 138 patients (53.6%) achieved a complete response (CR).
- Fostamatinib monotherapy achieved 85.4% of responses.
- 27 patients (24.8%) discontinued fostamatinib treatment due to inefficacy.
- Fostamatinib use as second-line therapy achieved 84.6% of responses.

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FOSTAMES study: Safety

- 67 patients (48.5%) experienced ≥ 1 adverse events, mainly grade 1-2
Diarrhea (n=28) and hypertension (n=21) were the most frequent .
- 18 patients were receiving fostamatinib in combination with other drugs.
- 13 patients (7.7%) discontinued the drug due to toxicity/severe adverse events.
- 9 patients died; All deaths were deemed unrelated to the use of the drug.

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Fostamatinib in Italy: GIMEMA study (I)

- Primary end-point (surrogate of efficacy and safety): The proportion of patients receiving fostamatinib for at least 6 months.
- 95 patients; 20 Italian centres => 59% female; Median age: 64 years (range 21–86).
- Median time from ITP diagnosis to fostamatinib initiation was 92 months; Median number of prior therapies was 4.
- 54% of patients received more than one thrombopoietin receptor agonist (TPO- RA); 23% underwent splenectomy.

Lucchini E et al. Br J Haematol. 2025;207:2529–2538

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Fostamatinib in Italy: GIMEMA study (II)

- The overall response rate was 73%, with 32% complete responses.
- 45% of patients received fostamatinib for 6 months (Median treatment duration was 7.3 months).
- The main cause of discontinuation was treatment failure (43%).
- 95 adverse events were reported in 38 patients, mostly grade 1–2.
- Fostamatinib discontinuation: 8% of patients.

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Fostamatinib in France: CARMEN study (I)

- 164 patients recruited; Median age: 59 years; 55.5% women.
- 89.0% had chronic ITP; 30 had secondary ITP.
- The median ITP duration was 86 months; and the median number of previous ITP treatments was 6.
- Response rate: 44.0% (70/159) at M3; 41.9% (62/148) at M6; 32.4% (44/136) at M12 and 20.0% (21/105) at M24.
- Concomitant treatment (mostly TPO- RA) was used in >60% of responders at each endpoint.

Moulis G et al. Am J Hematol. 2026;101:736–745

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Fostamatinib in France: CARMEN study (II)

- 71 (43.3%) patients => At least one bleeding during therapy; No bleeding was fatal.
- 100 adverse drug reactions (8 serious) in 61 (36.7%) patients.
- Diarrhea (n=28;17.1%) and hypertension (n=17;10,4%) were the most frequent .
- Seven thrombosis (4.3%) and 40 infections (12 serious) were reported in 25 patients (15.2%), mostly in patients with known risk factors.
- Fostamatinib in combination with TPO- RA should be considered in difficult- to- treat ITP patients.

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Avatrombopag plus fostamatinib combination as treatment in patients with multirefractory immune thrombocytopenia

Retrospective, multicenter, two countries, observational study

N 18

Median 5 treatments prior to combination

OR 83%

15/18 Overall response; 8/15 CR

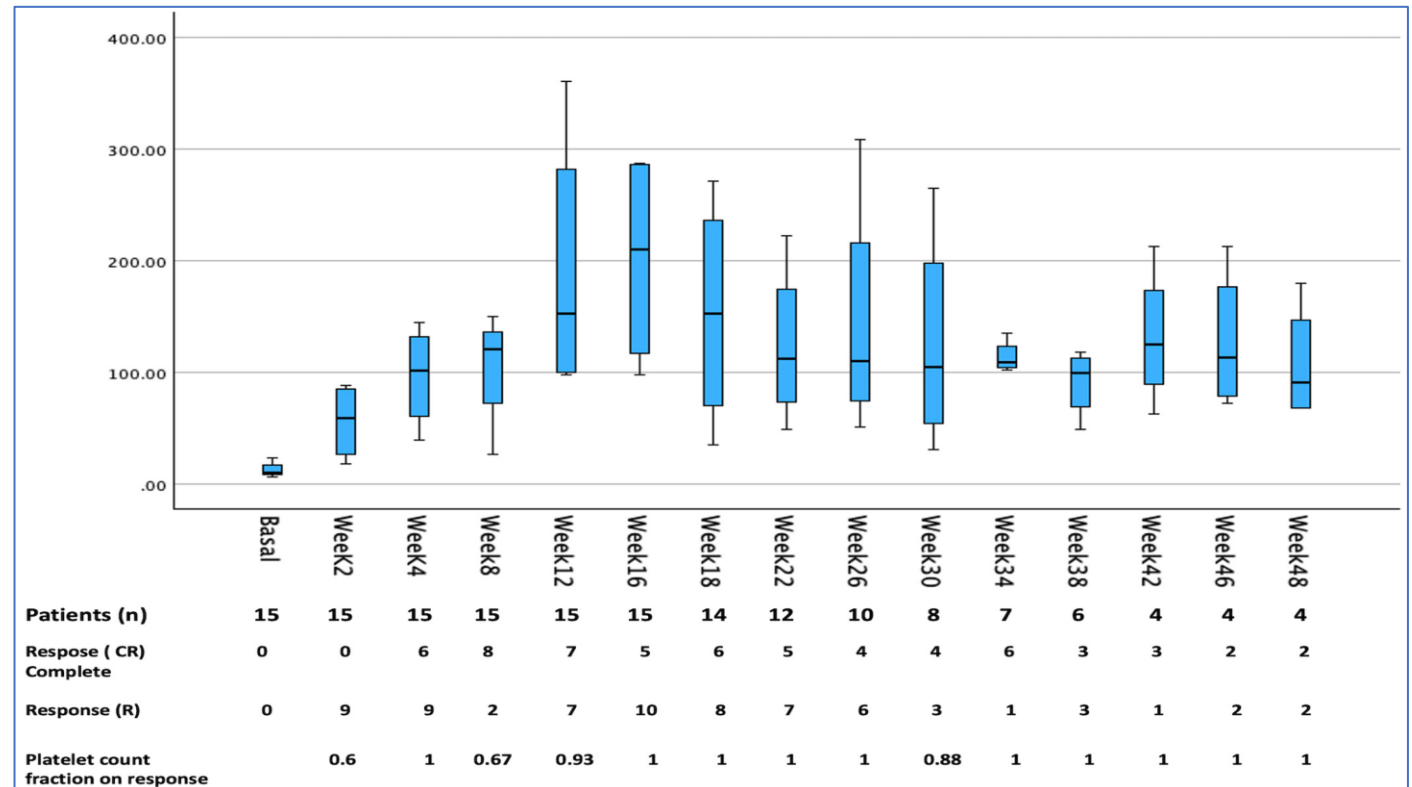
15 days

(range: 8–35 days)
Median time to response

Relapse 27%

Relapsed during dose tapering

Platelet count response and evolution in responding patients



^a Response PC 30-100 x 10⁹/L and complete response PC >100 x 10⁹/L. AVA,

Mingot Castellano BJH 2024; DOI: 10.1111/bjh.19602



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Cevidoplenib (Oscotec)

- Phase 2 trial. 61-participant randomized, placebo-controlled trial.
- Two arms: 200 mg BID and 400 mg BID doses in ITP patients with a platelet count $<30,000/\mu\text{L}$. The study duration was 20 weeks per subject, which consists of up to 4 weeks of screening period, 12 weeks of treatment period, and 4 weeks of follow-up period.
- The response rate for the participants who were treated with cevidoplenib at the higher dose (400 mg) was 63.6% compared to 33.3% on placebo (with p-value of 0.151).

Review > Mediators Inflamm. 2025 May 9;2025:5578929. doi: 10.1155/mi/5578929.

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Efficacy and Safety of Syk and BTK Inhibitors in Immune Thrombocytopenia: A Comprehensive Review of Emerging Evidence

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Sovleplenib / HMPL-523 (Hutchmed)

- **GLOBAL TRIAL.** Phase 1b trial. 30 centers planned and 48 patients to be recruited.

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Sovleplenib (HMPL-523), a novel Syk inhibitor, for patients with primary immune thrombocytopenia in China: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 1b/2 study

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Summary/Conclusions

- SYK plays a central role in ITP pathophysiology (*attractive therapeutic target*).
- Fostamatinib has been used mainly in heavily treated patients.
- However, fostamatinib proved to be effective and well tolerated in unselected patients with primary and secondary ITP.
- The association of fostamatinib with other drugs (e.g. TPO-RAs) or its use in earlier lines of therapy may be associated with higher platelet response rates.
- New SYK inhibitors (e.g., cevidoplenib, soveplenib) are under investigation and may further expand the therapeutic landscape.

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