



BaxHTN Baxdrostat Adult Phase 3 Clinical Trial

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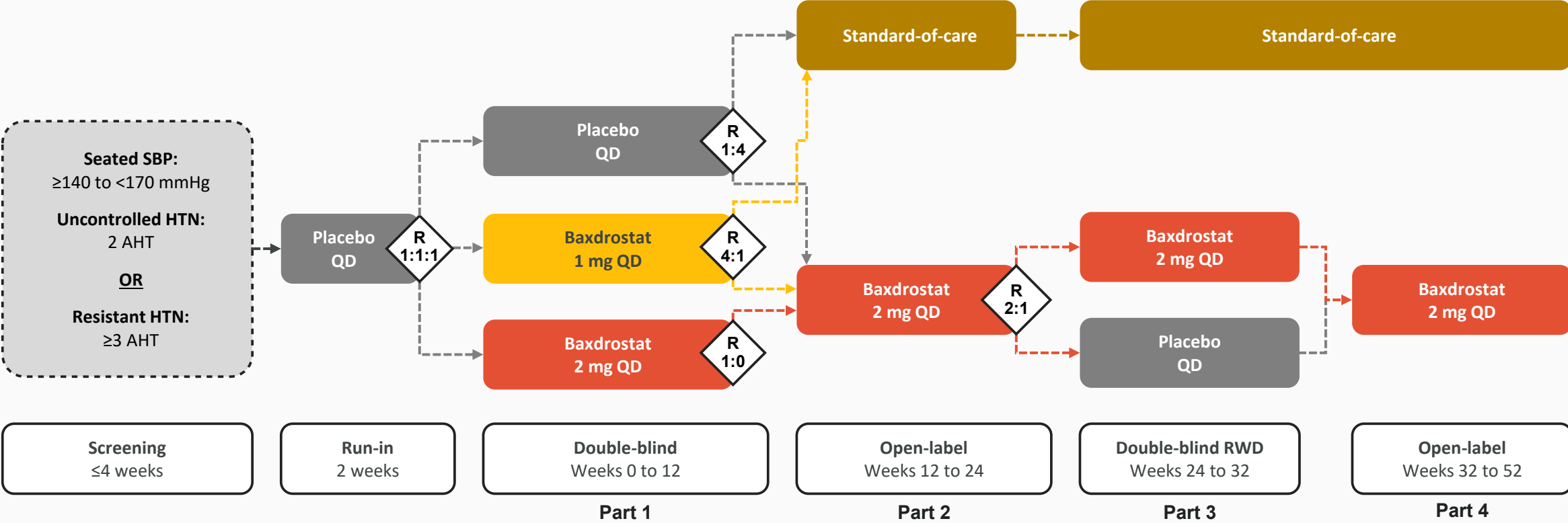
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BaxHTN Phase 3 trial design



AHT, antihypertensive medication; HTN, hypertension; QD, once daily; R, randomization; RWD, randomized withdrawal; SBP, systolic blood pressure.

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Study population



Adults ≥ 18 years of age with uncontrolled or resistant hypertension



Key inclusion criteria

- Mean seated-SBP ≥ 140 and < 170 mmHg
- Despite treatment with maximally tolerated doses of either 2 (uncontrolled HTN) or ≥ 3 (resistant HTN) antihypertensive medications, including a diuretic, for ≥ 4 weeks before screening
- eGFR ≥ 45 mL/min/1.73m²
- Serum potassium ≥ 3.5 and < 5 mmol/L



Key exclusion criteria

- Current use of MRAs or potassium-sparing diuretics
- Secondary hypertension (except for obstructive sleep apnea or primary aldosteronism)
- Uncontrolled diabetes ($\text{HbA}_{1c} > 10\%$)
- Cardiovascular or cerebrovascular events within 6 months, or persistent atrial fibrillation

Seated office systolic BP at randomization ≥ 135 mmHg

eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HbA_{1c} , glycated hemoglobin; HTN, hypertension; MRAs, mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists; SBP, systolic blood pressure.



Participant characteristics



794 participants

27% uncontrolled HTN

73% resistant HTN

- Participants were 62% male and 63% White
 - 26% Asian; 7% Black
- Mean (SD) age was 61 (12) years
- Participants were from:
 - The Americas (27%)
 - Europe (43%)
 - Asia Pacific, Middle East, and Africa (30%)

Characteristic	Placebo (n=264)	Baxdrostat, 1 mg (n=264)	Baxdrostat, 2 mg (n=266)
Age, mean $\pm$ SD, yrs	61.9 $\pm$ 11.6	59.8 $\pm$ 11.8	61.8 $\pm$ 11.7
Male sex, n (%)	162 (61.4)	169 (64.0)	163 (61.3)
Race, n (%)*			
White	167 (63.3)	165 (62.5)	168 (63.2)
Black	15 (5.7)	23 (8.7)	21 (7.9)
Asian	72 (27.3)	65 (24.6)	72 (27.1)
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)	0 (0.0)
Other	9 (3.4)	10 (3.8)	5 (1.9)

*Reported by the participant.
HTN, hypertension; SD, standard deviation.



Participant characteristics

- Clinical characteristics at baseline were similar across treatment arms
- Baseline BP: 149/87 mmHg
- Median number of background AHT medications: 3 (for each treatment group)
 - Almost all on a diuretic (99.6%)
 - 90% on an ACEi or ARB
 - 70% on a calcium channel blocker
 - 34% on a beta blocker
- 52% had obesity, 38% had diabetes
- Baseline potassium: 4.2 mmol/L
- Baseline eGFR: 85.0 mL/min/1.73m²

Characteristic	Placebo (n=264)	Baxdrostat, 1 mg (n=264)	Baxdrostat, 2 mg (n=266)
Seated BP, mmHg*			
Systolic, mean ± SD	149.0 ± 8.7	149.7 ± 10.1	149.1 ± 9.1
Diastolic, mean ± SD	85.8 ± 10.5	88.0 ± 10.5	85.8 ± 10.5
eGFR, mL/min/1.73m²			
Mean	84.1 ± 18.0	86.6 ± 18.5	84.3 ± 17.9
<60, n (%)	29 (11.0)	27 (10.2)	30 (11.3)
Serum sodium, mmol/L			
Mean ± SD	139.6 ± 2.5	139.9 ± 2.6	139.8 ± 2.5
Serum potassium, mmol/L			
Mean ± SD	4.2 ± 0.5	4.2 ± 0.4	4.2 ± 0.4
Serum aldosterone, ng/dL[†]			
Median (IQR)	7.5 (4.2,10.3)	7.9 (4.7, 10.8)	7.2 (4.5, 10.9)
PRA, ng/mL/h[†]			
Median (IQR)	1.4 (0.6, 4.0)	1.8 (0.7, 4.7)	1.5 (0.6, 5.0)

*n=1 placebo had a missing SBP value at baseline; †placebo: n=224; baxdrostat 1 mg: n=228; baxdrostat 2 mg: n=227; ‡placebo: n=178; baxdrostat 1 mg: n=197; baxdrostat 2 mg: n=179.

ACEi, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; AHT, antihypertensive treatments; ARB angiotensin-receptor blocker; BP, blood pressure; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; IQR, interquartile range; PRA, plasma renin activity; SD, standard deviation.



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BAXFENDY™ (baxdrostat) tablets, for oral use

Initial U.S. Approval: 2026

----- INDICATIONS AND USAGE -----

BAXFENDY is an aldosterone synthase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of hypertension in combination with other antihypertensive drugs, to lower blood pressure in adults who are not adequately controlled on other agents. Lowering blood pressure reduces the risk of fatal and nonfatal cardiovascular events, primarily strokes and myocardial infarctions. (1)





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