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Example Abstract

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Harm-benefit analysis of rofecoxib versus naproxen for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis patients: a discrete event simulation

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Background: Patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA) require chronic NSAID therapy; however, not all NSAIDs are effective in all patients. Rofecoxib was an effective treatment alternative for many patients. Despite a qualitative analysis by a Health Canada expert advisory panel that concluded that rofecoxib's benefits outweighed its risks, it was withdrawn from the market. The objective of this analysis was to quantitatively estimate the net-benefit of rofecoxib relative to naproxen in RA patients.

Methods: Using a discrete event simulation (DES) model, we estimated the incremental net-benefit in quality-adjusted life years (QALYs) of rofecoxib relative to naproxen over a one-year time horizon. Treatment risks included dyspepsia, peptic ulcer and gastrointestinal bleeding and perforation, and fatal and nonfatal MI. Benefits were evaluated using two approaches: assuming equal effectiveness, and based on reported differences in functional ability. All data were derived from the published literature. 10,000 hypothetical patients were simulated through each arm of the model using both first- and second-order Monte Carlo simulation, and the incremental net benefit was determined for each iteration of the model.

Results: Independent of the assumption of effectiveness, rofecoxib resulted in a small, positive incremental net benefit. Assuming equivalent effectiveness or slightly greater improvement in functional ability with rofecoxib resulted in 0.83 (SD 0.04) and 1.3 (SD 0.05) additional QALYs per 1000 patients treated for one year, respectively.

Conclusions: These results suggest that rofecoxib is at least equivalent to naproxen in terms net-benefit, which supports the conclusions of the Health Canada expert advisory committee.

Keywords: *Harm-benefit analysis, rofecoxib, rheumatoid arthritis*

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