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Teneligliptin 500mg + Metformin Hydrochloride 500mg + 1000mg (Prolonged-Release) Tablet



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## Introduction

Diabetes is a common non-communicable disease and has reached to epidemic stage in many countries. Globally, 475 million people are living with diabetes and it is a leading cause of death. This number is expected to rise to 642 million by 2040. A mortality burden of 5 million was noted with diabetes. The People's Republic of China, India, the US, and the Russian Federation accounted highest deaths due to diabetes.

Diabetes affects many regions, and complications due to high blood glucose are an important cause of disability, reduced quality of life, and premature death.<sup>1</sup> In 2015, globally, 5 million people aged between 20 years and 79 years died due to diabetes; this accounts for one death every 36 seconds.<sup>2</sup>

Diabetes is a chronic disease that requires lifelong medical care and attention for multiple risk reduction and treatment approach beyond glycaemic control.<sup>3</sup> Treatment objective must be the prevention of short-term and long-term complications associated with diabetes.<sup>4</sup> Additionally, patient education and support are important aspects.<sup>5</sup> This will improve patient outcomes. A multidisciplinary approach is required for the management of diabetes.<sup>6,7</sup>

Considering the large epidemic of type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM), newer therapies that increase efficacy, tolerability, and long-term compliance and prevent complications associated with T2DM are always required and preferred.<sup>8</sup> Recently, a new and relatively economical peptidyl dipeptidase 4 (DPP-4) inhibitor, teneligliptin, has been made available in some countries such as Japan, Argentina and India.<sup>9</sup> This review highlights the clinical benefits of teneligliptin in the management of T2DM.

### Role of DPP-4 inhibitors in the management of T2DM

DPP-4 inhibitors are recommended as monotherapy or in double and triple drug combination with other oral glucose lowering agents such as metformin, sulfonylureas, thiazolidinediones, or even with insulin.<sup>10</sup> As a class, DPP-4 inhibitors are considered as a cornerstone in the management of T2DM due to their efficacy, favourable safety profile such as low risk of hypoglycaemia and weight gain, and compliance due to once-daily dosing.<sup>11</sup>

Currently, eight DPP-4 inhibitors, namely, alogliptin, anagliptin, gemigliptin, linagliptin, osetagliptin, saxagliptin, teneligliptin, and vildagliptin, are available for the management of T2DM.<sup>12</sup> All these DPP-4 inhibitors have a similar mechanism of action and safety profile. In spite of their similar mechanism of action, DPP-4 inhibitors differ in some important pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic parameters, which may have clinical significance in real-life scenario.

### Are All DPP-4 Inhibitors Same?

Binding modes of DPP-4 inhibitors with the active site of DPP-4 enzyme.<sup>13</sup> DPP-4 enzyme has five binding sites (substrates), namely, S1, S2, S1', S2', and S3 esterase (Figure 2).<sup>14,15</sup> An interaction of DPP-4 inhibitors with S1' and S3 is considered to be the fundamental interaction that is required for DPP-4 inhibition.<sup>16</sup> Additional interaction with S1, S2, and S2' esterase site may further increase the DPP-4 inhibition.<sup>16</sup> DPP-4 inhibitors are classified according to the interactions with a DPP-4 enzyme (Table 4).<sup>17</sup> Classification of DPP-4 inhibitors is based on

their selectivity for enzyme sub-site Class 1, Class 2, and Class 3.<sup>1</sup> Class 1 inhibitors (eg, sitagliptin and saxagliptin) bind with S1 and S2 and are considered as fundamental/basic inhibitors.<sup>1</sup> Class 2 inhibitors (alogliptin and linagliptin) bind with additional site of S1 and S2 and may produce more DPP-4 inhibition than Class 1.<sup>1</sup> Class 3 inhibitors (teneligliptin and tarenigliptin) bind additional site of S2 extensively and produce more extensive DPP-4 inhibition.<sup>1</sup> Tarenigliptin, a Class 3 inhibitor, reported free to higher activity than saxagliptin.<sup>1</sup>

Class	DPP-4 Inhibitors	Site Binding of DPP-4	Interaction with DPP-4 as substrate	Results
1	Saxagliptin and Sitagliptin	S1 and S2	<b>Class 1 Inhibitors</b> Fundamental/basic inhibitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed more potent inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed more potent inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed more potent inhibition</li> </ul>
2	Alogliptin and Linagliptin	S1, S2, S3 and S4	<b>Class 2 Inhibitors</b> Additional site (S1 and S2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> </ul>
3	Teneligliptin and Tarenigliptin	S1, S2, S3 and S4	<b>Class 3 Inhibitors</b> Additional site (S2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> <li>• Saxagliptin showed better inhibition</li> </ul>

## Teneligliptin

Teneligliptin is a novel oral DPP-4 inhibitor and has a unique structure involving two consecutive rings<sup>2</sup>. Due to this unique structure, teneligliptin acts on S2 extensive site of DPP-4, thus it binds to the enzyme with its potency and selectivity.<sup>3</sup>

Reported evidence suggests that with teneligliptin 20 mg therapy, Tmax was 1 hour and t1/2 was 18.9 hours. Maximum (89.7%) inhibition in plasma DPP-4 activity was noted within 2 hours and maintained >60% at 24 hours. Compared to placebo, a five plasma C<sub>15M</sub> concentration was higher throughout the day and over 24 hours after administration of teneligliptin 20 mg. Metabolism of teneligliptin was mainly mediated through CYP3A4, a polymorphic P450 enzyme, and FcγR-containing monooxygenases (FMO<sub>1</sub> and FMO<sub>3</sub>).<sup>4</sup>

A weak inhibitory activity of teneligliptin on CYP2D6, CYP3A4, and FMO was noted, while there was no inhibitory activity on CYP1A2, CYP2A6, CYP2B6, CYP2C8, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, and CYP3A1. There was no induction of expression of CYP1A2 or CYP3A4.<sup>4</sup>

Reported evidence suggests that teneligliptin is metabolized and eliminated by both renal and hepatic routes. Approximately 34% of teneligliptin is excreted unchanged via the renal route, while 66% is metabolized and eliminated via the hepatic and renal routes.<sup>4</sup>



## Clinical Studies

### Effects of teneligliptin on 24-hour blood glucose control

A 4-week, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group study was conducted to analyze the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic characteristics, effects on blood glucose control over 24 hours, and safety of once-daily teneligliptin in patients with T2DM inadequately controlled with diet and exercise. A total of 95 subjects, which included 32, 34, and 53 subjects in placebo, teneligliptin 10 mg group, and teneligliptin 20 mg group, respectively, were randomized and analyzed. Plasma concentration of teneligliptin was maintained for 24 hours; similarly, a 50% reduction of PPG was noted at 24 hours of administration.

Compared to the placebo group, significantly lower 2-hour postprandial glucose (2-hour PPG), 24-hour mean glucose, and fasting plasma glucose (FPG) were noted in teneligliptin 10/20 mg treated groups. Teneligliptin 10 mg resulted in a reduction in 2-hour PPG after each meal compared to placebo. Compared to placebo, a mean difference of -52.7 mg/dL, -34.8 mg/dL, and -57.5 mg/dL was noted ( $P < 0.001$ ) for all in 2-hour PPG after breakfast, lunch, and dinner, respectively, in teneligliptin 10 mg group. Similarly, mean difference in reduction of 2-hour PPG after breakfast, lunch, and dinner was -30.1 mg/dL ( $P < 0.001$ ), -20.6 mg/dL ( $P < 0.01$ ), and -16.1 mg/dL ( $P < 0.001$ ), respectively, with teneligliptin 20 mg compared to placebo. A significant decrease in postprandial glucose active glucagon-like peptide-1 concentrations were also increased with teneligliptin 10/20 mg compared to placebo. A similar incidence of adverse events (AEs) was noted in all groups with no incidence of serious AEs including hypoglycemia.

### Role of teneligliptin in patients with T2DM inadequately controlled with diet and exercise

Kawada et al. evaluated the efficacy, safety, and dose-response relationship of teneligliptin in Japanese patients with T2DM and inadequately controlled with diet and exercise through a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group study for 12 weeks. A total of 124 Japanese T2DM patients with age 20–75 years, HbA<sub>1c</sub> 6.5%–10.5%, and not taking any oral antidiabetic agent, for 12 weeks, were randomized to receive teneligliptin 10 mg ( $n = 34$ ), 20 mg ( $n = 35$ ), 40 mg ( $n = 51$ ), and placebo ( $n = 80$ ) once daily for 12 weeks.

Significantly greater reductions in HbA<sub>1c</sub> and PPG were reported in all teneligliptin groups compared to placebo group. AEs were similar in all groups. There was no significant difference in the incidence of hypoglycemia among the four groups. Thus, in patients with T2DM inadequately controlled with diet and exercise, treatment with teneligliptin reported a significant and clinically important reduction in glycemic parameters.

### The efficacy and safety of teneligliptin added to ongoing metformin monotherapy in patients with type 2 diabetes: a randomized study with open-label extension

The study investigated the efficacy and tolerability of teneligliptin co-administered to patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) who were inadequately controlled by stable metformin monotherapy ( $\geq 1000$  mg/day). A total of 447 patients from 55 European centers who completed a 14-day screening and 14-day run-in phase, received randomized double-blind treatment with 5, 10, 20 or 40 mg teneligliptin or placebo once daily for 24 weeks. 164 patients continued treatment in a 28-week open-label extension during which they received teneligliptin 20 mg once daily. Co-administration of teneligliptin (5 to 40 mg) with metformin demonstrated dose-related and statistically significant reductions in HbA<sub>1c</sub> after 24 weeks ( $P < 0.001$ ) (placebo-adjusted) or double-blind treatment. The greatest reduction in HbA<sub>1c</sub> was seen with teneligliptin at 40 mg (-0.63%) at Week 24. There was a dose-dependent increase in proportion of responders achieving HbA<sub>1c</sub>  $<$  7.0% at this endpoint. Responses were maintained throughout 28 weeks open-label treatment with 20 mg teneligliptin. Treatment was well-tolerated to Week 52 and the overall incidence of hypoglycemia during 52 weeks was 2.7%.

**CONCLUSIONS:** Teneligliptin co-administered with metformin produced significant reductions in HbA1c in patients with T2DM without increase in the risk of hypoglycaemia.<sup>17</sup>

### Teneligliptin real-world efficacy assessment of type 2 diabetes mellitus patients in India (TREAT-INDIA study)

Predesigned structured proforma was used for this study to collect information from the prescribing physicians on the efficacy of teneligliptin when prescribed as either monotherapy or in combination with other antidiabetic drugs. Data collected were anonymized and information collected included demographic data, antidiabetic medications, and glycemic status of the patient at the time of initiation and after 3 months of teneligliptin therapy. Data were collected between September 2015 and December 2016. The glycemic efficacy was assessed by analyzing the mean change in values of glycosylated hemoglobin (HbA1c), FPG, and PPV from baseline following teneligliptin therapy. Data of 4305 patients was available for analysis. There was statistically significant improvement in mean HbA1c, FPG, and PPV with teneligliptin therapy. Mean changes in HbA1c, FPG, and PPV were  $-1.37\% \pm 1.15\%$ ,  $31.39 \pm 35.41$  mg/dL, and  $50.83 \pm 54.27$  mg/dL, respectively. Subgroup analysis revealed that HbA1c reduction with teneligliptin when used as monotherapy, add-on to metformin or add-on to metformin plus sulfonylureas combination, add-on to metformin plus alpha-glucosidase inhibitors combination or add-on to insulin is  $0.98 \pm 0.55$ ,  $1.07 \pm 0.53$ ,  $1.46 \pm 1.33$ ,  $1.43 \pm 0.80$ , and  $1.55 \pm 1.05$ , respectively.

Real-world data suggests that teneligliptin significantly improves glycemic control in Indian patients with T2DM when prescribed either as monotherapy or as an add-on to one or more of the commonly prescribed antidiabetic drugs.<sup>18</sup>

## Summary

1. Globally, prevalence of diabetes has reached an alarming stage with 475 million patients. This has a huge burden on public health system, and prompt intervention is required to reduce serious short-term and long-term complications associated with diabetes. In this situation, the addition of newer and effective medicines is always welcomed.
2. Teneligliptin is a novel DPP-4 inhibitor and has a unique structure and binds to S1, S2, and S3 extensive subsite of DPP-4 enzyme leading to enhanced potency and selectivity.
3. Teneligliptin significantly reduces blood glucose with a reduction of HbA1c of 0.84–0.94 in 12 weeks, which was maintained up to 52 weeks of teneligliptin therapy.
4. Teneligliptin reported favourable tolerability with few AEs and is weight neutral. No dose adjustment is required in patients with any degree of renal impairment or ESRD and even in mild to moderate hepatic impairment. These are some unique and useful properties of teneligliptin.

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## Indications :

In patients who have not sufficiently responded to either of the following treatments:


- (a) Diet and/or exercise therapy alone
- (b) Use of sulphonylureas in addition to diet and/or exercise therapy
- (c) Use of the solid red ones in addition to diet and/or exercise therapy

## Dosage :

The usual adult dosage is 20 mg of teneligliptin administered orally once daily. If efficacy is insufficient, the dosage can be increased up to 40 mg once daily while closely monitoring the clinical course.

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