



ROTASIIL®

Rotavirus vaccine

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Lyophilized Rotavirus Vaccine

Introduction



- ▶ The steady increase in the number of vaccines a child receives has resulted in greater pressure on the cold chain distribution system.
- ▶ Serum Institute's new Rotavirus vaccine - **ROTASIIL**[®] is the first vaccine in the world that can be stored at a temperature below 25°C for its shelf life of 30 months
- ▶ This unique characteristic will help Public health professionals deliver this vaccine more easily to their target population.
- ▶ The slides that follow will acquaint you with this vaccine

World's First Thermo Stable Vaccine!

SII's Rotavirus Vaccine: ROTASIIL



**Master seed virus
(Characterized)
from Dr.Kapikian,
NIH-USA**

- ▶ Working seed prepared by SIIPL
- ▶ Characterized as per WHO TRS and Ph. Eur

**VERO Cell
substrate (CCL-81)
from ATCC**

- ▶ Master Cell Bank and Master working cell bank prepared by SIIPL
- ▶ Characterized as per WHO TRS and Ph. Eur

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Rotavirus Vaccine, Live Attenuated
Oral, Freeze-Dried

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1 dose - 2.5 ml. 2 dose – 5.0 ml

Each dose of 2.5 ml contains:

Live Attenuated Bovine-Human Rotavirus Reassortant [G1, G2, G3, G4 and G9]* $\geq 10^{5.6}$ FFU/Serotype.

*Grown on VERO cells

Reconstitute with Diluent for Rotavirus Vaccine

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Diluent: Citrate Bicarbonate Buffer



- ▶ The vaccine has to be reconstituted using a diluent
- ▶ The diluent works as an antacid, serving both as a vehicle for the vaccine and neutralizing the stomach pH
- ▶ Reconstitution volume:
 - ▶ 1 dose - 2.5 ml.
 - ▶ 2 dose – 5.0 ml
- ▶ Each ml contains:
 - ▶ Citric Acid Monohydrate-9.6 mg,
 - ▶ Sodium Bicarbonate-25.6 mg,



Accessories



- ▶ One of the factors that contributed to the vaccine's extraordinary heat stability is the Lyophilization process.
- ▶ To be able to Lyophilize the product, it is essential that the vaccine be filled in glass vials.
- ▶ Accessories for the vaccine administration are designed to ensure that the program personnel get a clear message that the product is oral.
- ▶ The syringe provided has a tip on which a needle cannot be fitted.
- ▶ The syringe is supplied with an adapter which cannot be accidentally used for injection.



3mL Oral syringe



Adapter

No need of REFRIGERATION!



- ▶ **Lyophilized Vaccine** is stored at Temperatures below 25°C for 30 months.
- ▶ **Reconstituted Vaccine**
If stored at a temperature between 2° to 8°C, the vaccine can be used up to 6 hours.



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Dose Regimen



Three doses of vaccines are scheduled to be administered orally to the infants

Dose	Weeks
1st Dose	6 weeks
2nd Dose	10 weeks
3rd Dose	14 weeks



Summary of Stability

- Drug Substance (Bulk vaccine) is stable more than five years if stored at -20°C .
- Drug product (Final vaccine) is stable at
Below 25°C for 36 months,
At 37°C and 40°C for more than six months
(initial batches showed stability till 18 months)
- Reconstituted vaccine can be used within 6 hours if stored at 2 to 8°C .



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Stability of heat stable, live attenuated Rotavirus vaccine (ROTASIIL[®])



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ROTASIIL[®] is stable at below 25°C for 36 months, 37°C and 40°C for more than six months.

Vaccines currently available across the globe are stored and transported in a continuous cold-chain at 2–8 °C or below –20 °C. A temperature excursion outside this range affects the potency of the vaccine and vaccines need to be discarded leading to wastage. The Rotavirus disease burden is predominantly reported in developing and low-income countries and therefore, has entered or poised to enter their national immunization programs. These countries already have several limitations for effective storage, management and distribution of vaccines in a cold-chain and this introduction is expected to further stress the fragile ecosystem. To help mitigate the cold chain related issues, SIIPL has developed a thermostable live attenuated rotavirus vaccine ROTASIIL[®] which can be stored at a temperature below 25 °C for 36 months, completely replacing the standard 2–8 °C cold storages. In addition it has the capability to withstand temperatures up to 37 °C and 40 °C for 18 months and short term exposure to 55 °C. It can also tolerate a temperature excursion of being thawed from an extreme cold temperature of –20 °C to a high temperature of 42 °C. The vaccine contains serotypes G1, G2, G3, G4 and G9 (UK-Bovine reassortant strains procured from National Institutes of Health-USA). The vaccine is recently licensed in India.





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Bovine rotavirus pentavalent vaccine development in India



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ABSTRACT

A bovine rotavirus pentavalent vaccine (BRV-PV) containing rotavirus human-bovine (UK) reassortant strains of serotype G1, G2, G3, G4 and G9 has been developed by the Serum Institute of India Ltd, in collaboration with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), USA. The vaccine underwent animal toxicity studies and Phase I and II studies in adults, toddlers and infants. It has been found safe and immunogenic and will undergo a large Phase III study to assess efficacy against severe rotavirus gastroenteritis.

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Efficacy of a Low-Cost, Heat-Stable Oral Rotavirus Vaccine in Niger

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

Each year, rotavirus gastroenteritis is responsible for about 37% of deaths from diarrhea among children younger than 5 years of age worldwide, with a disproportionate effect in sub-Saharan Africa.

METHODS

We conducted a randomized, placebo-controlled trial in Niger to evaluate the efficacy of a live, oral bovine rotavirus pentavalent vaccine (BRV-PV, Serum Institute of India) to prevent severe rotavirus gastroenteritis. Healthy infants received three doses of the vaccine or placebo at 6, 10, and 14 weeks of age. Episodes of gastroenteritis were assessed through active and passive surveillance and were graded on the basis of the score on the Vesikari scale (which ranges from 0 to 20, with higher scores indicating more severe disease). The primary end point was the efficacy of three doses of vaccine as compared with placebo against a first episode of laboratory-confirmed severe rotavirus gastroenteritis (Vesikari score, ≥ 11) beginning 28 days after dose 3.

RESULTS

Among the 3508 infants who were included in the per-protocol efficacy analysis, there were 31 cases of severe rotavirus gastroenteritis in the vaccine group and 87 cases in the placebo group (2.14 and 6.44 cases per 100 person-years, respectively), for a vaccine efficacy of 66.7% (95% confidence interval [CI], 49.9 to 77.9). Similar efficacy was seen in the intention-to-treat analyses, which showed a vaccine efficacy of 69.1% (95% CI, 55.0 to 78.7). There was no significant between-group difference in the risk of adverse events, which were reported in 68.7% of the infants in the vaccine group and in 67.2% of those in the placebo group, or in the risk of serious adverse events (in 8.3% in the vaccine group and in 9.1% in the placebo group); there were 27 deaths in the vaccine group and 22 in the placebo group. None of the infants had confirmed intussusception.

CONCLUSIONS

Three doses of BRV-PV, an oral rotavirus vaccine, had an efficacy of 66.7% against severe rotavirus gastroenteritis among infants in Niger. (Funded by Médecins sans Frontières Operational Center and the Kavli Foundation; ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT02145000.)

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Programmatic Implementation

- Production capacity expansion 100 million plus.
- Product supply to Indian government (4 million doses till December 2017)
- WHO-PQ (Dossier is submitted)
- Registration in different countries
- Supply to UNICEF and PAHO

Rotavirus Liquid Vaccine



Single Dose Presentation

Rotavirus Liquid Vaccine

Multi-Mono Dose Presentation



Why liquid formulation?

- Easy administration (ready to use format).
- Market demand for ready to use formulation.
- Meets WHO VPPAG recommendation.
- Animal Toxicity study and Phase I clinical study completed. Phase III study will be started in October 2017.
- Commercial license expected in December 2018.

- Vaccine qualifies the requirement of VVM7 (37°C for 7 days) .
- Three batches were prepared for stability and the study indicated that the product is stable at
 - ✓ 2-8°C for 24 months
 - ✓ 25°C for 6 months
 - ✓ 37°C for 1 week

Thank You