compared with 31.4% of placebo (P = 0.29), while the proportion among non-MV patients was 45.0% vs. 31.0% (difference −14.0%, P = 0.15), respectively. Time to CSS in the non-MV stratum was shorter in DAS181-treated patients (figure). Median change in nasopharyngeal PIV viral load by Day 10 and median hospitalization days were −1.44 vs. −0.68 log_{10} (P = 0.51) and 13.5 vs. 21 days (P = 0.18) for DAS181 and placebo, respectively. No significant increase from baseline FEV1% predicted was identified for DAS181 vs. 2.02 for placebo (P = 0.001). Post-hoc analysis on the probability to return to room air (RTA) suggested that DAS181 reduced SO need in the non-MV stratum after Day 21 (P = 0.09). HCT recipients within 360 days from transplant had a 40.8% treatment effect on RTA at Day 28 (P = 0.04) and 36.7% on mortality at Day 45 when compared with placebo (P = 0.06). The rate of adverse events was similar in both treatment groups. Day 45 all-cause mortality was comparable in both groups (32.4% DAS181 vs. 31.4% placebo).

Conclusion. DAS181 was well tolerated and showed a signal for clinical efficacy in IC patients with PIV LRTI. DAS181 was granted Breakthrough Therapy Designation for the treatment of PIV LRTI in IC patients and a phase 3 trial is being planned.

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Background. Respiratory protection (RP) for healthcare personnel (HCP) is controversial and clinical studies are inconclusive about the effectiveness of N95 respirators (N95) and medical masks (MM) for protecting HCP from workplace viral respiratory infections and illnesses (VRII).

Methods. We conducted a cluster-randomized, investigator-blinded, multisite effectiveness study comparing N95 to MM in geographically diverse, high exposure outpatient settings between 2011 and 2016. Each year during VRI season, participants were assigned devices when within 6 feet of patients with known or suspected respiratory illness. Respiratory swabs were collected from symptomatic and asymptomatic participants. Diaries detailed VRII exposures, influenza vaccination, adherence to RP and hand hygiene, and manifestations of illness. The primary and secondary outcomes were incidence of laboratory-confirmed influenza (LCI) using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and hemagglutinin inhibition assays (HAI), and acute respiratory illness (ARI), influenza-like illness (ILI), laboratory-confirmed respiratory illness (LCRI), and laboratory-detected respiratory infection (LDRI) (figure). Intervention protective effects were estimated using unadjusted odds and incidence rate ratios.

Results. 5,180 HCP seasons enrolled and randomized (2,243 to N95 and 2,446 to MM), with 4,689 (91%) completing the study. In the intention-to-treat cohort (ITT), among participants in the N95 and MM groups, respectively, 207 (8.2%) and 193 (7.2%) were diagnosed with LCI (odds ratio [OR] 1.14, 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.93–1.40); 1,556 (61.9%) and 1,711 (64.1%) were diagnosed with ARI (relative risk [RR] 0.99, CI 0.92–1.06); 128 (5.1%) and 166 (6.2%) were diagnosed with ILI (RR 0.87, CI 0.68–1.10); 371 (14.8%) and 417 (15.6%) were diagnosed with LCRI (RR 0.97, CI 0.84–1.12); and 679 (27.0%) and 745 (27.9%) were diagnosed with LDRI (RR 0.99, CI 0.89–1.09). The adjusted ITT and per-protocol analyses yielded similar results.

Conclusion. In this outpatient-based, cluster-randomized, controlled trial, neither N95 nor MM resulted in superior protection from LCI or VRI.

Figure: ResPECT Outcomes. (A) Influenza Incidence and Primary Outcomes Panel. (B) Secondary Outcomes

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1717. The Impact of Routine Molecular Point-of-care Testing for Gastrointestinal Pathogens in Adults Hospitalized With Suspected Gastroenteritis: Results of a Pragmatic Randomized Controlled Trial (GastroPOC) Ahalya Malachira, MD1, Kate Beard, MD2, Nathan Brendish, MD3 and Tristan Clark, BM MRCGP DTMB&H MD4, 1Infection, University Hospital Southampton Foundation NHS Trust, Southampton, UK, 2University of Southampton, Southampton, UK and 3Clinical and Experimental Sciences, University of Southampton, Southampton, UK

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Background. Adults hospitalised with diarrhoea are routinely isolated as an infection control measure, but many have non-infectious etiology. Side room facilities are a limited resource in hospitals. Routine laboratory testing takes several days to generate results but rapid molecular platforms can test comprehensively for GI pathogens and generate a result in 1 hour, making them deployable as point-of-care tests (POCT). POCT could reduce unnecessary isolation facility use in addition to other benefits.

Methods. In this pragmatic, pilot randomised controlled trial, adults hospitalised with suspected gastroenteritis were recruited and randomised 1:1 to receive either POCT (using the FilmArray GI panel) or routine clinical care. Results of POCT were communicated directly to clinical and infection control teams. The primary outcome was duration of time in a side room and secondary outcomes included turnaround time, proportion of patients with a pathogen detected, proportion of patients correctly de-isolated, time to de-isolation, antibiotic use and length of hospital stay.

Results. 140 patients were recruited. Groups (n = 70) were well matched in terms of baseline characteristics. The median [IQR] turnaround time for results was 1.7 [1.6–2.3] hours in the POCT group and 61 [49–84] hours in the control group, P < 0.0001. Pathogens were detected in 44% of patients in the POCT group and 23% in the control group, P = 0.012. Overall the duration of side room isolation was 1.9 [1.0–2.9] days in the POCT group compared with 2.7 [1.8–5.1] days in the control group, P = 0.001. For those testing negative for pathogens this was 1.3 [0.8–2.5] days in the POCT group versus 2.7 [1.8–5.0] days in the control group, P = 0.0001. 63% of pathogen-negative patients were correctly de-isolated in the POCT group versus 28% in the control group, P = 0.0012. Antibiotic use and length of stay data will be available subsequently.

Conclusion. POCT using the FilmArray GI panel resulted in a substantially reduced turnaround time for results and an increase in the proportion of patients with pathogens correctly detected. POCT was associated with a reduction in the duration of unnecessary side room use. If these benefits are confirmed in further studies and cost effectiveness is demonstrated, molecular POCT for GI pathogens should replace current diagnostic pathways.

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