Supplementary Materials

Single- vs multiple-inhaler triple therapy for COPD in usual clinical practice: the

INTREPID trial

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Materials and methods

Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Briefly, eligible patients were \geq 40 years of age with physician-diagnosed symptomatic COPD (COPD Assessment Test [CAT] score \geq 10), who had been receiving a non-ELLIPTA maintenance therapy (ICS+LAMA+LABA MITT, or LAMA+LABA or ICS+LABA dual therapy) for \geq 16 weeks prior to randomisation; and had a history of \geq 1 COPD exacerbation requiring treatment with systemic or oral corticosteroids, antibiotics and/or hospitalisation in the 3 years prior to randomisation. Patients receiving dual therapy at the time of study entry were required to be considered by their physician as needing a step-up to triple therapy and the reason clearly documented. It was advised that patients enrolled to the study who were already receiving triple therapy for COPD and randomised to FF/UMEC/VI started this as a new therapy. In line with usual care, at the start of the study, and whenever patients were issued with a prescription for a new COPD maintenance treatment, the physician or their delegate were asked, at their discretion, to train the patient on the correct use of their inhaler(s).

Analysis Populations

The intent-to-treat (ITT) population included all randomised patients, excluding those randomised in error. The FEV_1 population included all members of the ITT population for whom a spirometry assessment was performed at any of Visit 1 or Visit 2. The critical error population included all members of the ITT population for whom a critical error assessment was performed at Visit 2. Patients who were not using an inhaler for which an error checklist was available or who did not have assessments for all unique inhalers they were using at Visit 2 were not included in this population. Additionally, patients who had not withheld their

inhaled medication prior to assessment at Visit 2 were not included as they were unable to dose again for the assessment.

The following study phases were defined: on-randomised treatment, post randomised treatment and on-study (Supplementary Figure S2). A patient was defined as being in the on-randomised treatment phase from the start of randomised treatment to the date they modified or stopped any component of their randomised treatment. If the patient modified their randomised treatment regimen with a change of their COPD maintenance therapy and did not stop any other component, then the end of the randomised treatment phase was considered as the day before the modification took place. The post randomised treatment phase was defined as the time following the on-randomised treatment phase to the end of the study. Patients were defined as being on-study from the date of randomisation to the end of the study. Intercurrent events that occur after treatment initiation and preclude the observation, or affect the interpretation, of the endpoint data and thus affect the estimation of treatment effect were considered to be: treatment modification (patients who modified their randomised treatment with the addition, or changing, of at least one of the components of their maintenance therapy), treatment discontinuation (patients who stopped all components of their randomised treatment and did not start any alternative maintenance treatment), change in pulmonary rehabilitation status and starting oxygen therapy for the first time (Supplementary Table S1).

Statistical Analysis

Statistical analyses were performed using Statistical and Analysis Software (SAS) Version 9.4. Sample size calculations were performed based on the results from two recent studies: the Salford Lung Study COPD [21], and a RCT comparing ELLIPTA single-inhaler triple therapy and non-ELLIPTA dual therapy [13]. The proportion of CAT responders in the non-ELLIPTA MITT arm at Week 24 was assumed to be 35% and an odds ratio (OR) of 1.3 was

assumed in order to reject the null hypothesis that there is no difference in the proportion of CAT responders at Week 24 between FF/UMEC/VI and non-ELLIPTA MITT. As the previous studies had low drop-out rates, the dropout rate for INTREPID was assumed to be approximately 13.5%. Overall, taking these aspects into consideration, it was estimated that the INTREPID target enrolment for a 1:1 randomisation between treatment arms should be 3000 patients [22].

Change from baseline in FEV_1 was analysed using an analysis of covariance (ANCOVA) model with treatment as an explanatory variable and covariates of baseline FEV_1 , actual prior medication use strata, country, and timing of spirometry. Change from baseline in trough FEV_1 was analysed using an ANCOVA model with treatment as an explanatory variable and covariates of baseline trough FEV_1 , actual prior medication use strata, and country. The analysis of the proportion of patients making at least one critical error was performed using a logistic regression model with covariates of treatment group, actual prior medication use strata and country. Further details on the handling of intercurrent events and missing data are described in **Supplementary Table S1**.

The analysis of proportion of CAT responders by prior medication strata was performed using a separate logistic regression model for each subgroup with covariates of treatment group, baseline CAT score, number of exacerbations in the prior year and country. The analysis of this estimand, intercurrent events and missing data is described in **Supplementary Table S1**.

	Intercurrent events			Missing data		Patients with	
Estimand	Randomised	Randomised	Pulmonary	Oxygen therapy	Study	Week 24 CAT	multiple
	treatment	treatment	rehabilitation		withdrawal	score not	imputed data, n
	discontinuation	modification				available	(%) *
CAT score at We	ek 24 primary estin	nand					
Treatment	Week 24 CAT	Considered as	Considered as	Considered as	Missing Week 24	Missing Week 24	FF/UMEC/VI:
policy \times	score data used	non-responders	non-responders	non-responders	CAT score	CAT score	52
composite	regardless of	(composite)	(composite)	(composite)	imputed based on	imputed based on	Non-ELLIPTA
	event (treatment	_		_	randomised	randomised	MITT: 92
	policy)				treatment	treatment	
					(assumes MAR)	(assumes MAR)	
CAT score at We	ek 24 supportive es	timand 1					·
Treatment	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Considered as	Considered as	
policy \times	score data used	score data used	score data used	score data used	non-responders	non-responders	
composite	regardless of	regardless of	regardless of	regardless of	(composite)	(composite)	
	event (treatment	event (treatment	event (treatment	event (treatment			
	policy)	policy)	policy)	policy)			
CAT score at We	ek 24 supportive es	timand 2					
Treatment	Week 24 CAT	Considered as	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Missing Week 24	Missing Week 24	FF/UMEC/VI:
policy \times	score data used	non-responders	score data used	score data used	CAT score	CAT score	52
composite	regardless of	(composite)	regardless of	regardless of	imputed based on	imputed based on	Non-ELLIPTA
	event (treatment		event (treatment	event (treatment	randomised	randomised	MITT: 93
	policy)		policy)	policy)	treatment	treatment	
					(assumes MAR)	(assumes MAR)	
CAT score at We	ek 24 supportive es	timand 3					

 Table S1. Strategies for handling intercurrent events or events leading to missing data for the primary and supportive estimands

Hypothetical	Ignore actual	Ignore actual	Ignore actual	Ignore actual	Missing Week 24	Missing Week 24	FF/UMEC/VI:
	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	CAT score	CAT score	336
	score. Assume	score. Assume	score. Assume	score. Assume	imputed	imputed	Non-ELLIPTA
	MAR and impute	MAR and impute	MAR and impute	MAR and impute	assuming MAR	assuming MAR	MITT: 264
	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	Week 24 CAT	and impute value	and impute value	
	score as if the	score as if the	score as if the	score as if the	as if patient did	as if patient did	
	intercurrent event	intercurrent event	intercurrent event	intercurrent event	not withdraw	have an available	
	did not occur	did not occur	did not occur	did not occur	early from the	value at Week 24	
					study		
Change from bas	seline in FEV ₁ at W	eek 24 primary estit	mand				
Treatment	Week 24 FEV ₁	Week 24 FEV ₁	Week 24 FEV ₁	Week 24 FEV ₁	Missing Week 24	Missing Week 24	
policy	data used	data used	data used	data used	FEV_1 was not	FEV_1 was not	
	regardless of	regardless of	regardless of	regardless of	imputed	imputed	
	event (treatment	event (treatment	event (treatment	event (treatment			
	policy)	policy)	policy)	policy)			
Change from bas	seline in trough FE	V_1 at Week 24 prime	ary estimand	Ι	Ι	Ι	
Treatment	Week 24 trough	Week 24 trough	Week 24 trough	Week 24 trough	Missing Week 24	Missing Week 24	FF/UMEC/VI:
policy	FEV_1 data used	FEV_1 data used	FEV_1 data used	FEV_1 data used	trough FEV ₁	trough FEV ₁	82
	regardless of	regardless of	regardless of	regardless of	imputed based on	imputed based on	Non-ELLIPTA
	event (treatment	event (treatment	event (treatment	event (treatment	randomised	randomised	MITT: 115
	policy)	policy)	policy)	policy)	treatment	treatment	
					(assumes MAR)	(assumes MAR)	
Critical error at	Week 24 primary es	timand	1	1		1	
Hypothetical	N/A	Any inhaler error	N/A	N/A	No imputation	No imputation	
		assessment data			performed for the	performed for the	
		following			missing data	missing data	
		randomised					
		treatment					
		modification					
		included in the					
		analysis if the					

		new maintenance					
		therapy uses the					
		same devices as					
		the randomised					
		therapy. Data					
		treated as					
		missing if					
		devices used are					
		different to the					
		randomised					
		treatment devices					
		or not being					
		assessed in the					
		study (i.e.					
		checklist not					
		available)					
Critical error at	Week 24 supportive	estimand					
Treatment	N/A	Any inhaler error	N/A	N/A	No imputation	No imputation	
policy		assessment data			performed for the	performed for the	
		following			missing data.	missing data	
		randomised			Inhaler error		
		treatment			assessment data		
		modification			collected at the		
		included in the			early withdrawal		
		analysis			visit to be used in		
		regardless of			the analysis		
		inhaler device					
		used (treatment					
		policy)					
CAT responders	by prior medication	strata					

Treatment	Week 24 CAT	Considered as	Considered as	Considered as	Missing Week 24	Missing Week 24	
policy \times	score data used	non-responders	non-responders	non-responders	CAT score was	CAT score was	
composite	regardless of	(composite)	(composite)	(composite)	not imputed	not imputed	
	event (treatment						
	policy)						

*Data is imputed for the analysis using multiple imputation methods based on the randomised treatment arm characteristics and assuming MAR.

CAT, COPD Assessment Test; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; FEV₁, forced expiratory volume in 1 second; MAR, missing at

random.

Characteristic	FF/UMEC/VI	Non-ELLIPTA MITT	Total
	NL 010	NL 004	N. 1014
FEV ₁ population	N=910	N=904	N=1814
Age, mean (SD) years	67.7 (8.78)	67.4 (8.64)	67.6 (8.71)
Male, n (%)	501 (55)	476 (53)	977 (54)
BMI (kg/m ²), mean (SD)	n=906	n=901	n=1807
_	28.08 (6.19)	28.19 (6.28)	28.14 (6.24)
Post-bronchodilator FEV ₁ , mL,	n=825	n=827	n=1652
mean (SD)	1474 (565.3)	1462 (584.0)	1468 (574.6)
Critical Error population	N=691	N=267	N=958
Age, mean (SD) years	67.5 (8.80)	67.2 (8.94)	67.4 (8.84)
Male, n (%)	386 (56)	137 (51)	523 (55)
BMI (kg/m ²), mean (SD)	n=687	n=265	n=952
	28.10 (6.03)	27.92 (6.22)	28.05 (6.08)

Table S2. Patient characteristics at screening (FEV₁ and critical error populations)

BMI, body mass index; CAT, COPD Assessment Test; COPD, chronic obstructive

pulmonary disease; FF, fluticasone furoate; ICS, inhaled corticosteroid; ITT, intent-to-treat,

LABA, long acting β_2 -agonist; LAMA, long acting muscarinic receptor antagonist; MITT,

multiple-inhaler triple therapy; SD, standard deviation; UMEC, umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol

CAT response status	FF/UMEC/VI (N=1545)	Non-ELLIPTA MITT	OR (95% CI), FF/UMEC/VI vs
		(N=1547)	MITT
n	1539	1543	
Supportive estimand 1			154(122, 178)
Responders	847 (55)	683 (44)	1.34(1.35, 1.70),
Non-responders	692 (45)	860 (56)	p<0.001
Supportive estimand 2			
Responders	746 (48)	630 (41)	1 21 (1 12 1 51).
Non-responders	741 (48)	820 (53)	1.51(1.15, 1.51);
Patients with imputed CAT	52 (3)	93 (6)	p<0.001
score			
Supportive estimand 3			
Responders	731 (47)	615 (40)	1.65(1.40, 1.04)
Non-responders	472 (31)	664 (43)	1.03(1.40, 1.94);
Patients with imputed CAT	336 (22)	264 (17)	p<0.001
score			

Table S3. C.	AT responders at	Week 24 (supp	ortive estimands)
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For definitions of supportive estimands refer to **Table S1**. As patients with missing CAT scores are subject to multiple imputation methods they cannot be categorised explicitly as responders or non-responders and have been reported as an additional category in these analyses. CAT, COPD Assessment Test, CI, confidence interval; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; FF, fluticasone furoate; MITT, multiple-inhaler triple therapy; OR, odds ratio; UMEC, umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol. Analyses performed using a logistic regression model with covariates of treatment group, baseline CAT score, number of exacerbations in the prior year, actual prior medication use strata and country.

Table S4. Proportion of patients making ≥1 critical error in inhaler technique at Week 24 (supportive estimand)

Outcome	FF/UMEC/VI (N=691)	Non-ELLIPTA MITT (N=267)	OR (95% CI), FF/UMEC/VI vs MITT
Patients with ≥ 1 critical error	40 (6)	9 (3)	1.80 (0.86, 3.78);
Patients with no critical error	651 (94)	258 (97)	p=0.119

For definition of supportive estimand refer to Table S1. CI, confidence interval; FF,

fluticasone furoate; MITT, multiple-inhaler triple therapy; OR, odds ratio; UMEC,

umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol. Analysis performed using a logistic regression model with

covariates of treatment group, actual prior medication use strata and country.

	FF/UMEC/VI (N=1545)	Non-ELLIPTA MITT
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Total number of		
moderate/severe		
exacerbations per patient, n		
(%)		
n	1544	1547
0	1118 (72)	1096 (71)
1	324 (21)	334 (22)
$\geq 2$	102 (7)	117 (8)
Annualised moderate/severe	1.2 (3.65)	1.1 (5.57)
exacerbation rate, mean (SD)*		

Table S5. On-randomised treatment moderate/severe exacerbations.

*Annualised moderate/severe exacerbation rate was calculated as [number of on-randomised treatment exacerbations / time on randomised treatment (in days)] multiplied by 365.25. One ITT subject withdrew from the study prior to starting randomised study treatment and therefore is excluded from the on-randomised treatment summary.

FF, fluticasone furoate; MITT, multiple-inhaler triple therapy; SD, standard deviation;

UMEC, umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol.

	FF/UMEC/VI		Non-ELLIPTA MITT		
	(N=1545)		(N=1547)		
Total duration at risk (patient-	636.7		685.8		
years)					
	n (%)	Rate [#]	n (%)	Rate [#]	
Any AE	250 (16)	590.6 [376]	151 (10)	322.2 [221]	
Chronic obstructive	38 (2)	62.8 [40]	28 (2)	42.3 [29]	
pulmonary disease					
Dyspnoea	33 (2)	51.8 [33]	5 (<1)	7.3 [5]	
Pneumonia	26 (2)	42.4 [27]	30 (2)	43.7 [30]	
Any treatment-related $AE^{\dagger}$	145 (9)	329.8 [210]	44 (3)	77.3 [53]	
Dyspnoea	29 (2)	45.5 [29]	3 (<1)	4.4 [3]	
Any AE leading to study	115 (7)	279.6 [178]	32 (2)	70.0 [48]	
treatment discontinuation or					
study withdrawal					
Dyspnoea	28 (2)	44.0 [28]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Chronic obstructive	18 (1)	28.3 [18]	2 (<1)	2.9 [2]	
pulmonary disease					
Cough	11 (<1)	17.3 [11]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Headache	11 (<1)	17.3 [11]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Arthralgia	7 (<1)	11.0 [7]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Fatigue	5 (<1)	7.9 [5]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Pneumonia	4 (<1)	6.3 [4]	4 (<1)	5.8 [4]	
Dysphonia	4 (<1)	6.3 [4]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Malaise	3 (<1)	4.7 [3]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Oropharyngeal pain	3 (<1)	4.7 [3]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Increased bronchial secretion	3 (<1)	4.7 [3]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Wheezing	3 (<1)	4.7 [3]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Tachycardia	3 (<1)	4.7 [3]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Dysgeusia	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	1 (<1)	1.5 [1]	
Chest discomfort	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Discomfort	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Exercise tolerance decreased	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Oedema peripheral	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Influenza	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Tremor	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Palpitations	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Gastroesophageal reflux	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
disease					
Nausea	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Oral pain	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Vision blurred	2 (<1)	3.1 [2]	0 (0)	0 [0]	
Acute myocardial infarction	1 (<1)	1.6 [1]	2 (<1)	2.9 [2]	
Pruritus	1 (<1)	1.6 [1]	2 (<1)	2.9 [2]	
Infective exacerbation of	0 (0)	0 [0]	2 (<1)	2.9 [2]	
chronic obstructive airways					
disease					

# Table S6: On-randomised treatment AE profile by Preferred Term*

Any SAE	114 (7)	257.6 [164]	114 (7)	255.2 [175]
Pneumonia	26 (2)	42.4 [27]	30 (2)	43.7 [30]
Chronic obstructive	26 (2)	44.0 [28]	28 (2)	42.3 [29]
pulmonary disease				

Specific AEs are reported if they occurred in  $\geq 1\%$  of patients in any treatment arm (AE, treatment-related AEs, SAEs) or in >1 patient in any treatment arm (AEs leading to study treatment discontinuation or study withdrawal). *The recording of AEs was limited to treatment-related AEs, SAEs and AEs leading to study treatment discontinuation or study withdrawal.

[†]AEs were defined as treatment-related according to the judgment of the study investigators. Rate is event rate per 1000 patient-years, calculated as the number of events x 1000, divided by the total duration at risk.

#, number of events; AE, adverse event; FF, fluticasone furoate; MITT, multiple-inhaler triple therapy; SAE, serious adverse event; UMEC, umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol.

## Table S7: On -study AE profile*

	FF/UMI (N=15	EC/VI 545)	Non-ELLIPTA MITT (N=1547)		
Total duration at risk (patient-years)	724.6		729.9		
	n (%)	Rate [#]	n (%)	Rate [#]	
Any AE	265 (17)	579.6 [420]	163 (11)	348.0 [254]	
Any SAE	134 (9)	277.4 [201]	125 (8)	279.5 [204]	

*The recording of AEs was limited to treatment-related AEs, SAEs and AEs leading to study

treatment discontinuation or study withdrawal.

Rate is event rate per 1000 patient-years, calculated as the number of events x 1000, divided

by the total duration at risk.

#, number of events; AE, adverse event; FF, fluticasone furoate; MITT, multiple-inhaler

triple therapy; SAE, serious adverse event; UMEC, umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol.

### **Figure S1: Kaplan-Meier Plot of Time to Premature Discontinuation of Randomised Treatment (ITT Population)**



Kaplan-Meier estimate of time to premature discontinuation of randomised treatment.

Patients are represented from their randomised treatment start date to the date of discontinuation from any randomised treatment component (or date of death) regardless of any prior modification to treatment pathway. Patients that completed the randomised treatment period per protocol were censored at the earliest date of completion of randomised treatment and Day 169. Patients who had not discontinued any component of their randomised treatment but had modified their treatment pathway by adding additional maintenance medication were considered to have completed in this output. One ITT patient withdrew from the study prior to starting randomised study treatment and therefore was excluded from this output. FF, fluticasone furoate; ITT, intent-to-treat; MITT, multiple-inhaler triple therapy; UMEC, umeclidinium; VI, vilanterol.

## Figure S2 INTREPID study phases



*Start of on-randomised treatment usually occurred in parallel with randomisation, although

in some instances the start of treatment occurred after randomisation