

(0.67) vs those who did not (0.36) and AB/FF 400/12 µg significantly reduced the rate of exacerbations vs PBO ($p < 0.05$; Table 1). The overall AE frequency was similar throughout (range with ICS, 54.8–60.7%; without, 56.0–60.3%). The most common AEs across patient groups were COPD exacerbation, nasopharyngitis and headache, irrespective of ICS use.

Conclusion In this analysis, acclidinium/formoterol 400/12 µg twice daily improved bronchodilation and dyspnoea in patients independent of ICS use and reduced exacerbations in patients using ICS. Combining AB and FF along with an ICS increased bronchodilation vs either monotherapy. AE frequencies were similar between the patient groups, regardless of ICS use.

Abstract S60 Table 1 Change from baseline in morning pre-dose (trough) FEV₁ at Week 24 and rate of exacerbations by concomitant ICS use

	AB/FF 400/12 µg BID	AB/FF 400/6 µg BID	AB 400 µg BID	FF 12 µg BID	Placebo BID
LS mean change from baseline in morning pre-dose (trough) FEV ₁ at Week 24 by ICS use, mL ^a					
ICS use	98***	47***	44***	27**	-47
No ICS use	85***	71***	71***	18***	-50
Rate of exacerbations per patient/year by ICS use ^b					
ICS use	0.40*	0.53	0.59	0.45	0.67
No ICS use	0.31	0.27	0.29	0.44	0.36

^aAnalyses based on the mixed model for repeated measures: treatment effects and treatment comparisons.

^bAnalysis based on the log-linear model.

* $p < 0.05$ vs placebo; ** $p < 0.01$ vs placebo; *** $p < 0.0001$ vs placebo.

AB, acclidinium bromide; BID, twice daily; FEV₁, forced expiratory volume in 1 s; FF, formoterol fumarate; ICS, inhaled corticosteroid; LS, least squares.

S61 ANALYSIS OF THE EFFICACY AND SAFETY OF THE COMBINATION OF TIOTROPIUM + OLODATEROL IN PATIENTS WITH COPD BY PREVIOUS USAGE OF INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS

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Rationale Tiotropium (T), a long-acting muscarinic antagonist, and olodaterol (O), a long-acting β_2 -agonist (both administered once daily), have been studied as a once-daily combination. Two Phase III studies have demonstrated that T+O significantly improved lung function and symptoms over T and O monotherapy treatments in patients with moderate to very severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).¹ During these studies, patients were allowed to continue existing treatment with inhaled corticosteroids (ICS); this analysis was conducted to determine the effects of study treatment in patients receiving or not receiving ICS as reported at baseline.

Methods A total of 5162 patients were randomised to treatment with O 5 µg, T 2.5 µg, T 5 µg, T+O 2.5/5 µg or T+O 5/5 µg (Respimat[®] inhaler) in two 52-week, double-blind, parallel-group studies (NCT01431274 and NCT01431287). Primary efficacy end points were trough forced expiratory volume in 1 s (FEV₁) response (ie, change from baseline), FEV₁ area under the curve from 0–3 h (AUC_{0–3}) response and St George's Respiratory

Questionnaire (SGRQ) total score after 24 weeks. Pooled data are presented for the patient subgroups either using or not using ICS at baseline.

Results In the overall population, all treatments resulted in clinically relevant improvements in lung function, with significant increases with both T+O doses over the individual components ($p < 0.01$).¹ These effects on lung function were observed irrespective of whether or not patients had reported concomitant use of ICS at baseline (see Table 1). In the 'ICS usage' and 'no ICS usage' subgroups, there were no statistically significant differences between the combinations and monotherapy treatments in changes in SGRQ total scores from baseline to Week 24, although SGRQ total scores were improved during this period with T+O.

Abstract S61 Table 1 Lung function responses at 24 weeks according to baseline ICS usage^a

Trough FEV ₁ , L			FEV ₁ AUC _{0–3} , L		
n	Adjusted mean (SE) change		n	Adjusted mean (SE) change	
ICS usage					
O 5	497	0.046 (0.009)	503	0.129 (0.009)	
T 2.5	471	0.084 (0.009)	476	0.142 (0.009)	
T 5	464	0.088 (0.009)	465	0.147 (0.009)	
T+O	489	0.114 (0.009) ^{†#}	492	0.246 (0.009) ^{†###}	
T+O 5/5	503	0.133 (0.009) ^{†###}	505	0.260 (0.008) ^{†###}	
No ICS usage					
O 5	510	0.067 (0.009)	514	0.139 (0.009)	
T 2.5	533	0.062 (0.009)	537	0.132 (0.008)	
T 5	536	0.073 (0.009)	543	0.155 (0.008)	
T+O	511	0.122 (0.009) ^{†###}	517	0.252 (0.008) ^{†###}	
T+O 5/5	500	0.149 (0.009) ^{†###}	503	0.263 (0.009) ^{†###}	

[†] $p < 0.0001$ vs O 5; [#] $p < 0.0001$ vs T 2.5; ^{*} $p < 0.001$ vs T 5.

^aPatients were not recorded as receiving LAMA or LABA at baseline in this study. SE, standard error.

Conclusions In patients with COPD, T+O 5/5 µg significantly improved lung function over T 5 µg and O 5 µg monotherapy, irrespective of whether patients had reported ICS use at baseline.

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Mechanisms of lung injury and fibrosis remodelling on the fly

S62 USING DROSOPHILA MELANOGASTER TO STUDY PATHOGENIC MUTANTS OF SURFACTANT PROTEIN C

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Introduction and objectives Surfactant protein C (SFTPC) is secreted by type II pneumocytes to reduce alveolar lining fluid surface tension and thus prevent alveolar collapse at low lung volumes. The immature form of SFTPC must undergo proteolytic