

# CTTI HABP/VABP Pilot: Proposed Study Designs

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# Objective of Pilot Study

- ▶ Conduct a study that will lead to improved HABP/VABP clinical trial feasibility
- ▶ Test the principles and recommendations from:
  - CTTI Antibacterial Drug Development (ABDD) Program
  - Other CTTI projects

# Potential Streamlining Elements

- Utilizing HABP/VABP site network (30-50 sites)
- Targeted (reduced) AE collection
- Streamlined data collection (clinical labs, vital signs, etc.)
- Expanding eligibility criteria
- Central IRB (single IRB of record for study)
- Quality by design approach
- Novel secondary endpoint such as early clinical response
- Novel analytic approach

# Pilot Study Ideas

- **Design A:** Streamlined Multicenter RCT of Intervention X vs. Intervention Y
- **Design B:** RCT comparing trial enrollment and efficiencies in “traditional” vs. “streamlined” protocols
- **Design C:** Factorial design – randomized to both Drug X vs. Drug Y and streamlined vs. traditional protocol
- **Design D:** Substudy, with expanded access and streamlining, added to existing HABP/VABP clinical trial
  
- Potential add-on: test of early clinical response as a predictor of 14 or 28 day mortality

# Design A: X vs. Y with operational streamlining

- Multicenter RCT of Intervention X vs. Intervention Y
  - two approved drug regimens
- Operational streamlining in both arms
- Endpoints:
  - Cost, enrollment rate/time to completion, etc.
  - Compared to benchmarks of prior/current HABP/VABP trials

# Design A: X vs. Y with operational streamlining

## Pros:

- Could answer relevant drug X vs. drug Y question
- Would allow novel analytic approach, e.g. RADAR
  - Could investigate superiority of X vs. Y
- Assumed faster/cheaper to complete than design B (with “traditional” arm)

## Cons:

- Does not answer streamlining question directly
  - comparison to historical controls

# Design B: traditional vs. streamlined protocol

- RCT comparing trial enrollment and efficiencies in “traditional” vs. “improved” protocol for HABP/VABP
- Antibiotic treatment will be identical in both study arms
  - consistent with guidelines/Guidance
- Study endpoints will include:
  - # of patients enrolled/# screen failures per arm
  - # of pages of Adverse event (AE) and Serious Adverse Event (SAE) reporting generated
  - time from study initiation to reaching enrollment goal in each study arm

# Design B: traditional vs. streamlined protocol

## Pros:

- Directly compares trial streamlining approach to traditional approach
- Utility of novel endpoints (e.g. usefulness of early clinical response as a predictor of 14 or 28 day mortality)



# Design B: traditional vs. streamlined protocol

## Cons:

- Requires running a traditional trial for half the subjects
  - Weighted randomization may be possible
- Only some of the streamlining elements feasible (e.g. allowing >24h pre-study antibiotics, reduced AE monitoring/reporting) but not others (e.g. novel analytic approach, centralized IRB)
- Observational data on treatment regimen
- May need to randomize prior to screening/may need a two step informed consent process

# Design C: Factorial Design

- ▶ Hybrid of Designs A and B - patients are randomized to both
  - Drug X versus Drug Y, and
  - Streamlined versus traditional protocol

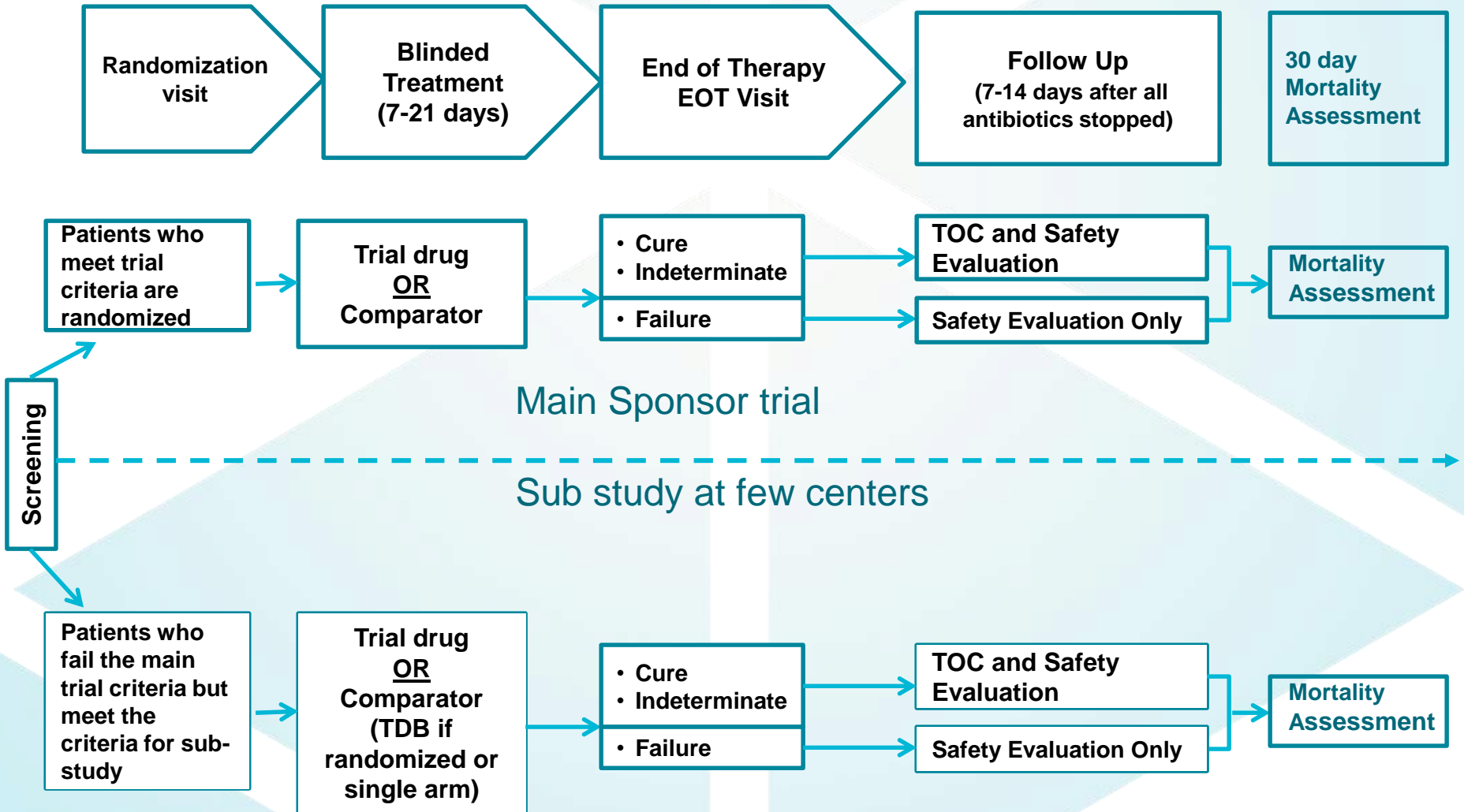
## Pros:

- ▶ Answers relevant drug question and streamlining question

## Cons:

- ▶ Complex design

# Design D: HABP/VABP Trial Substudy



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## Pros:

- Cost savings from utilizing existing study infrastructure
- Likely quicker time to startup/enrollment
- Direct comparison of costs of streamlined protocol vs. those in parent study
- Direct assessment of how many patients could be added to a HABP/VABP trial with expanded eligibility

# Design D: HABP/VABP Substudy

## Cons:

- Challenge of locating parent study
- Buy-in from investigator/sponsor may be difficult due to directly comparing their existing trial to expanded trial
- Competing enrollment / able to enroll only a subset of HABP/VABP patients, which may not be a representative sample
- If substudy is also a randomized trial (test vs. comparator), screen failures for safety reasons may not be eligible to participate

Study Design	Pros	Cons
<b>A:</b> Streamlined Multicenter RCT of X vs. Y	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Relevant drug X vs. Y question</li> <li>*Novel analytic approach – superiority design?</li> <li>*Faster/cheaper to complete than design B</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Relies on historical controls to test streamlining</li> </ul>
<b>B:</b> RCT of “traditional” vs. “streamlined” protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Directly compares trial streamlining approach to traditional approach</li> <li>*Novel clinical response endpoint evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Runs inefficient trial in 1 arm</li> <li>*Only some streamlining elements could be tested (e.g. central IRB not feasible)</li> <li>*Only obs data on treatment regimen</li> <li>*Complicated randomization/consent</li> </ul>
<b>C:</b> Factorial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*(X vs. Y) and (streamlined vs. traditional)</li> <li>*Answers drug and streamlining questions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complex design</li> </ul>
<b>D:</b> Substudy of HABP/VABP clinical trial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Assumed cost and time savings by using existing study infrastructure</li> <li>*Direct comparison of enrollment and cost advantages of streamlined vs. parent study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Locating parent study and buy-in from investigators</li> <li>*May not be a representative sample (only failures of main study)</li> <li>*If substudy a randomized trial (test vs. comparator), screen failures for safety reasons may not be eligible to participate</li> </ul>

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