

Comparing the Cost-effectiveness of aPCC and rFVIIa Prophylaxis Regimen in the Management of Hemophilia Patients with Inhibitors in the US

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Introduction

- Three prospective clinical trials has established the benefit of prophylaxis with bypassing agents for hemophilia patients with inhibitors¹⁻³
- Prophylaxis with bypassing agents has been shown to:
 - Significantly reduce bleeding frequency¹⁻³ and prevent the development of new target joints¹
 - Significantly reduce pain, improve health related quality of life and productivity^{1,4,6}
- A recent publication by the Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MASAC) recommended that patients with inhibitors be considered for prophylaxis treatment with bypassing agents⁷
- Given limited resources, it is important to assess the incremental cost-effectiveness of prophylaxis treatment with the available bypassing agents

Objective

To model and compare the cost-effectiveness of aPCC versus rFVIIa prophylaxis over a one year period

Methods

- A literature-based, cost-effectiveness model was developed
- All clinical inputs were derived from the FEIBA NF and rFVIIa trials^{1,3} (Table 1)
- Model assumed 100% compliance to prophylaxis regimen for 1 year
- Model assumed all patients had on-demand annual bleed rate of 28.7 (median bleed rate from the FEIBA NF study)¹ and bleeding was reduced by the percentage reported in the clinical trials
- Cost analysis was from a US payer perspective and was limited to bypassing agent costs only
- The cost of the prophylaxis and cost for breakthrough bleeds were included in the analysis
- Bypassing agent costs was based on the 2013 wholesale acquisition cost (WAC) obtained from the Redbook (Table 1)⁸
- The incremental cost-effectiveness ratio (ICER) was calculated as follows:
 - $ICER = (\text{Cost of aPCC prophylaxis} - \text{Cost of rFVIIa prophylaxis}) / (\text{Number of bleeds avoided with aPCC prophylaxis} - \text{Number of bleeds avoided with rFVIIa prophylaxis})$

Sensitivity Analysis

- One-way sensitivity analyses were performed to determine model robustness by varying key inputs by 25% in the conservative direction
- Threshold sensitivity analyses were also conducted
- Additional sensitivity analysis was conducted using inputs from the Pro-FEIBA study²

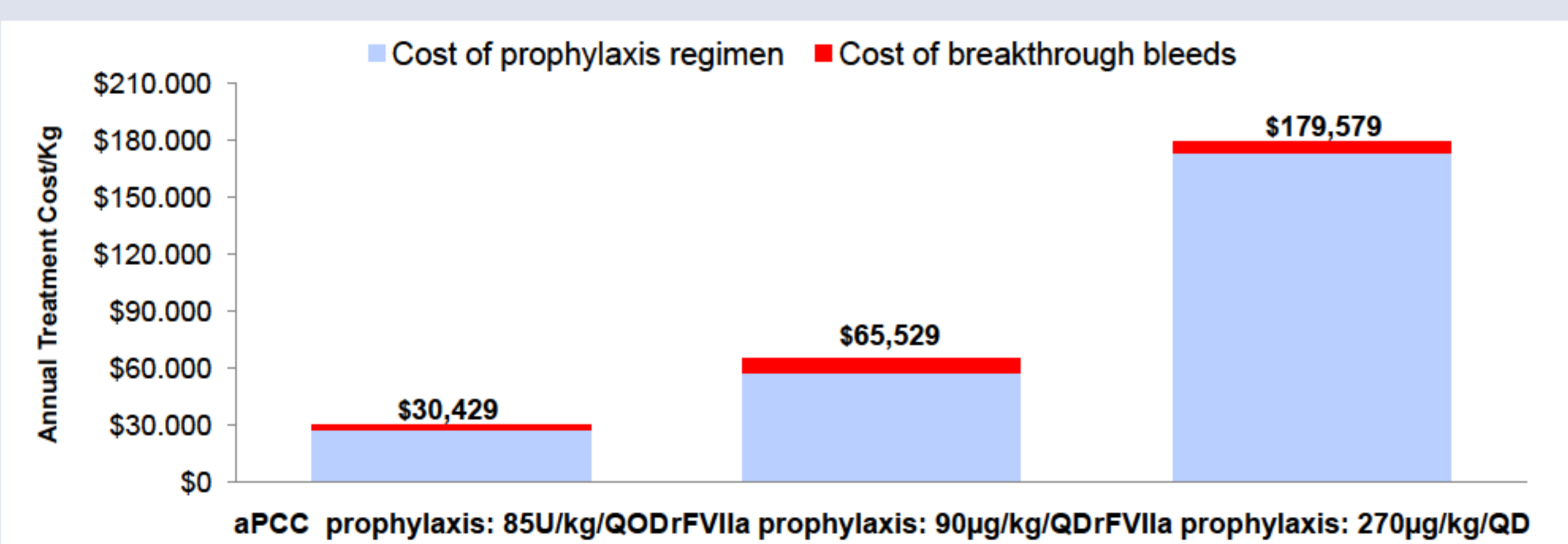
Table 1: Model Input

	aPCC	rFVIIa	
On-demand annual bleed rate [†]	28.7	28.7	28.7
Prophylaxis regimen ^{1,3}	85 U/kg every other day	90 µg/kg daily	270 µg/kg daily
% bleed reduction on prophylaxis ^{1,3}	72.5%	45%	59%
Number of breakthrough bleeds ^{** 1,3}	7.9	15.8	11.8
Dose to stop breakthrough bleeds [†]	85 U/kg x 2	90 µg/kg x 3	90 µg/kg x 3
Cost per unit ⁸	\$1.81/U	\$1.77/µg	\$1.77/µg

QOD = Every other day; QD = Every day; [†]Median annual bleed rate from the PROOF study. ^{**}Calculated as [(1- % bleed reduction on prophylaxis) x on-demand annual bleed rate]. [†]The mean [median] number of infusions per bleeding episode reported in the FENOC⁹ trial were 1.3[1] and 2.4[2] for aPCC and rFVIIa, respectively. However, we chose to be conservative inputting 2 infusions for aPCC and 3 infusions for rFVIIa

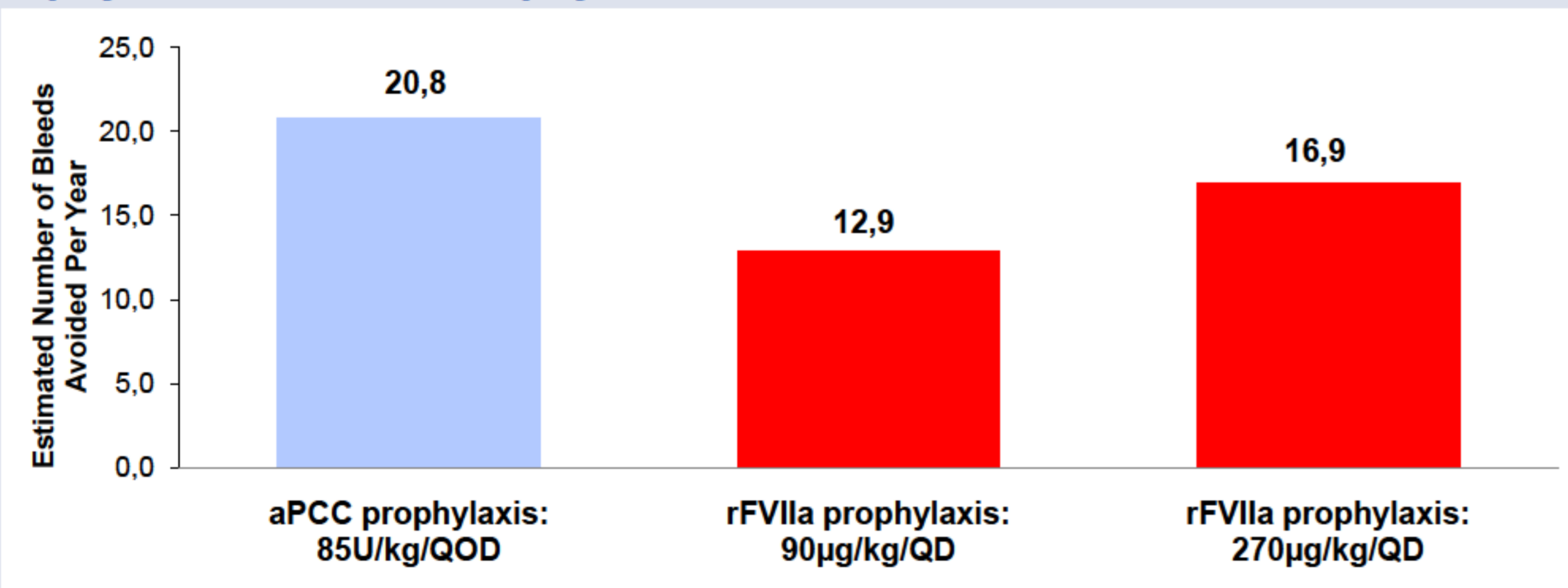
Results

Figure 1: Annual Treatment Cost/kg of aPCC Prophylaxis vs. rFVIIa Prophylaxis



- The estimated annual treatment cost/kg with aPCC prophylaxis was 53.6% and 83.1% lower compared to rFVIIa prophylaxis dosed using 90 µg/kg and 270 µg/kg daily, respectively
- For every one patient prescribed 90 or 270µg/kg/day rFVIIa prophylaxis, 2 or 6 patients could be prescribed aPCC prophylaxis for the same cost, respectively

Figure 2: Annual Number of Bleeding Episodes Avoided with aPCC Prophylaxis vs. rFVIIa Prophylaxis



- The estimated number of bleeding episodes avoided per year with aPCC prophylaxis was 38.0% and 18.8% higher compared to rFVIIa prophylaxis dosed using 90 µg/kg and 270 µg/kg daily, respectively

ICER: aPCC Prophylaxis Regimen was the Dominant Strategy (less costly and more effective) Compared to rFVIIa Prophylaxis Regimens

- aPCC vs. rFVIIa (90 µg/kg/Day)
 - $ICER = \$30,429 - \$65,529 / (20.8 - 12.9) = -\$4,443/\text{kg}/\text{bleed avoided}$
- aPCC vs. rFVIIa (270 µg/kg/Day)
 - $ICER = \$30,429 - \$179,579 / (20.8 - 16.9) = -\$38,244/\text{kg}/\text{bleed avoided}$

Results (Continued)

Sensitivity Analyses

Table 2: One-way Sensitivity Analyses (Cost Comparison Only)

Parameter	Base case value used in the model	Base case value varied by 25%	Overall cost/kg of prophylaxis aPCC vs. rFVIIa 90µg/kg	Overall cost/kg of prophylaxis aPCC vs. rFVIIa 270µg/kg
On-demand bleed rate [†]	28.7	21.5 35.9	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC
aPCC Price	\$1.81/U	\$2.26/U	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC
aPCC efficacy	72.5%	54.4%	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC
aPCC dose for breakthrough bleeds	85U/kg x 2	85U/kg x 3**	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC
rFVIIa Price	\$1.77/µg	\$1.33/µg	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC
rFVIIa efficacy	45% (90 µg/kg) 59% (270 µg/kg)	56% (90 µg/kg) 73.8% (270 µg/kg)	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC
rFVIIa dose for breakthrough bleeds	90 µg/kg x 3	90 µg/kg x 1**	Lower for aPCC	Lower for aPCC

Table 3: One-way Sensitivity Analyses (Cost and Effectiveness Comparison)

Parameter	Base case value used in the model	Base case value varied by 25%	ICER aPCC vs. rFVIIa 90 µg/kg	ICER aPCC vs. rFVIIa 270 µg/kg
On-demand bleed rate [†]	28.7	21.5 35.9	<0	<0
aPCC Price	\$1.81/U	\$2.26/U	<0	<0
aPCC efficacy	72.5%	54.4%	<0	\$111,764
aPCC dose for breakthrough bleeds	85U/kg x 1	85U/kg x 3**	<0	<0
rFVIIa Price	\$1.77/µg	\$1.33/µg	<0	<0
rFVIIa efficacy	45% (90 µg/kg) 59% (270 µg/kg)	56% (90 µg/kg) 73.8% (270 µg/kg)	<0	\$394,318
rFVIIa dose for breakthrough bleeds	90 µg/kg x 2	90 µg/kg x 1**	<0	<0

ICER < 0 indicates that aPCC is a more effective and less costly alternative. ICER > 0 indicates the annual cost/kg body weight for each additional bleed avoided when rFVIIa is used instead of aPCC

** In the one-way sensitivity analysis, breakthrough bleeds were assumed to be treated with 3 doses of 85 U/kg of aPCC, while for rFVIIa, a single dose of 90 µg/kg was assumed. Results remained robust when on-demand bleed rate was reduced by ≥50% (i.e. ≤14.4 bleeds per year).

- aPCC was the dominant strategy in all of the scenarios except for when:
 - We assumed a 25% reduction in the efficacy of aPCC. Here, using rFVIIa 270 µg/kg prophylaxis regimen instead of aPCC would cost \$111,764/kg per additional bleed avoided
 - We assumed a 25% increase in the efficacy of rFVIIa 270 µg/kg prophylaxis regimen. Here, using rFVIIa instead of aPCC would cost \$394,318/kg per additional bleed avoided
- Results from the threshold analysis indicated that:
 - aPCC prophylaxis remained less expensive even when the efficacy of rFVIIa prophylaxis was increased to 100% for both rFVIIa prophylaxis regimens
 - rFVIIa prophylaxis would only be less expensive if the unit cost of rFVIIa was reduced by greater than 53% and 83% for the 90 µg/kg and 270 µg/kg rFVIIa prophylaxis regimens, respectively
- Results remained robust when FEIBA NF¹ study inputs were replaced with those of Pro-FEIBA²

Limitations

- Model inputs were obtained from clinical trials that did not directly compare the bypassing agents compared in the model.
 - Model inputs were varied using sensitivity analysis and study results were robust
- The model only included the direct costs of the bypassing agents in its cost analysis. Additional direct (i.e. hospitalization etc.) and indirect costs were not accounted for.
 - Bypassing agent costs have been reported to account for a significant proportion of the cost of care of inhibitor patients¹⁰
- Model assumed a 1-year time frame
 - Model did not account for long-term benefits of prophylaxis

Conclusion

- aPCC prophylaxis regimen of 85 U/kg given every other day was cost effective compared with rFVIIa prophylaxis regimen of 90 µg/kg or 270 µg/kg administered daily

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