



Identification of pharmacological interactions between IVACAFTOR/TEZACAFTOR/ELEXACAFTOR and dietary supplements/herbs in patients with cystic fibrosis in an outpatient pharmaceutical care unit

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Background and importance

IVA, TEZ and ELX
CYP3A4/5 substrates

TEZ and ELX
P-glycoprotein substrates

Dietary supplements and/or
herbs use in complex chronic
patients: **60-85%** (Spain, 2021)

It is essential to review possible drug
interactions (DIs) between IVA/TEZ/ELX
with drugs, dietary supplements or herbs



IVA: ivacaftor, TEZ: tezacaftor, ELX: elexacaftor

Aim and Objectives

Identification and evaluation of possible **DIs between IVA/TEZ/ELX and dietary supplements and/or herbs** in CF adult patients

Materials and Methods

Prospective interventional study conducted between December 2021 – March 2022

Inclusion criteria: CF adult patients who started IVA/TEZ/ELX.

Following Outpatient Pharmaceutical Care Unit protocol, a **first structured pharmaceutical care (PC) visit** was conducted at the start of IVA/TEZ/ELX to inform about dosage, administration, DIs, precautions, and adverse reactions.

Variables: biodemographic data, *F508del* mutation, previous CFTR* modulators, dietary supplements and/or herbs use.

* CFTR: cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator

Results



n = 104, 53 ♀ and 51 ♂

Median age 28,3 (21,9 – 36,7) years

Heterozygous *F508del* mutation: n = 65

Previous CFTR
modulators

IVA: n = 1

IVA/TEZ: n = 48

IVA/TEZ/ELX: n = 13**

** Inclusion in clinical trial or managed access programs

14 (13,5%) patients (9 ♀ and 5 ♂, median age 35.1 (22.1 – 40.0) years) took dietary supplements and/or herbs at the start of IVA/TEZ/ELX



• **Possible CYP3A4/5 DIs** (*Silybum marianum*, *Curcuma longa*, *Hypericum perforatum*, *Bacopa Monnieri*, *Ginkgo biloba*, *Citrus aurantium* and *Vaccinium*) **were identified in 5 patients → withdrawal of all supplements/herbs**

• **In one patient, possible P-glycoprotein DI was detected** (*Boswellia serrata*) → **removal of the supplement not necessary**

Conclusions and Relevance

✓ Identification of possible DIs led to the **withdrawal of the supplements and/or herbs** in approximately **one third of the patients.**

✓ **The review of concomitant treatments in the PC visit is essential to guarantee the effectiveness and safety of IVA/TEZ/ELX.**