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Supplementary table.

## Confidence Intervals for Various Standard Deviations and Expected Difference (U/L) using n=20 per group

Common Standard Deviation	Expected Difference (Active – Placebo)	95% Confidence Interval <sup>a</sup>	
		Lower	Upper
25	-20	-36	-4
	-40	-56	-24
	-60	-76	-44
35	-20	-42	2
	-40	-62	-18
	-60	-82	-38
45	-20	-49	9
	-40	-69	-11
	-60	-89	-31

a confidence intervals are alpha = 0.05, two-sided, based on the t-distribution with 38 degrees of freedom.

A confidence interval table was constructed for various standard deviations and expected active minus placebo differences in ALT (U/L) based on experience with change in ALT in previous studies. For instance based on a worse-case scenario assuming that the common standard deviation is 45 U/L it was calculated that when the sample size in each group is 20, a two-sided 95% confidence interval for the difference of the two mean change from baseline ALT values (active minus placebo) will extend 29 U/L from the observed difference.