## **Infectious Diseases** and Therapy



- Daclatasvir is a non-structural protein 5A (NS5A) inhibitor with activity against hepatitis C virus (HCV) genotypes 1 to 6 in vitro, and asunaprevir is a non-structural protein 3 (NS3) protease inhibitor with activity against genotypes 1, 4, 5, and 6.
- This pre-clinical study evaluates potential options for the re-treatment of HCV genotype 1b-infected patients who have failed combination therapy with daclatasvir plus asunaprevir using in vitro HCV replicon elimination assays.
- At clinically relevant drug trough concentrations, all-oral regimens of daclatasvir plus asunaprevir plus beclabuvir (± ribavirin), daclatasvir plus asunaprevir, beclabuvir, and sofosbuvir demonstrated greatest efficiency in HCV clearance in vitro.
- The results of the study highlight a number of potential all-oral treatment options for patients who do not achieve a sustained virologic response following therapy with daclatasvir plus asunaprevir. These results require further evaluation in clinical studies.

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