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#### **ZOSTAVAX<sup>TM</sup> Overview**

- Proposed indication
- Introduction / background
- ZOSTAVAX™ clinical development
- Protocol 004 review
- Protocol 009 review
- Summary
- Questions / Discussion

#### **ZOSTAVAX™** Proposed Indication

- Prevention of herpes zoster (shingles)
- Prevention of postherpetic neuralgia (PHN)
- Reduction of acute and chronic zosterassociated pain as measured by the burden of illness (BOI) score developed by the sponsor
- In individuals 50 years of age or older

#### Varicella Zoster Virus

- Persists in sensory nerve ganglia
- Reactivation associated with aging, immunosuppression
- Pruritic, vesicular rash localized or diffuse
- Hospitalization ~3/1,000
- Death ~1/60,000

# Herpes Zoster (HZ) Complications

- Neurologic
  - Postherpetic neuralgia
  - Ocular
  - Encephalitis
  - Cranial and peripheral nerve palsies
- Visceral
  - Pneumonia (adults)
  - Hepatitis
- Bacterial infection
  - Superinfection of skin and underlying structures
  - Bacterial pneumonia
  - Septicemia, toxic shock syndrome

### Postherpetic Neuralgia (PHN)

 PHN usually resolves within a few weeks, but in some cases severe, debilitating pain and paresthesia may persist for a year or more

 Pain control may be inadequate in more severe or protracted cases

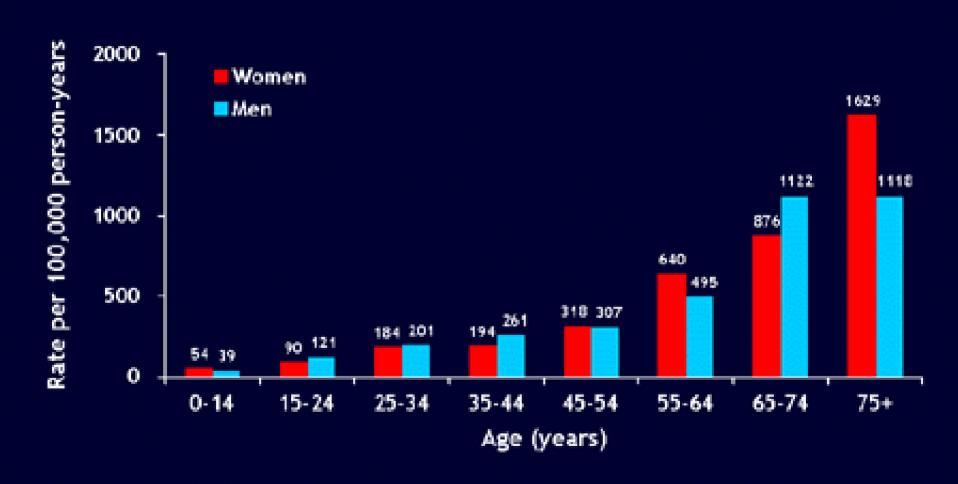
## VZV Epidemiology - 1

- VARIVAX® licensed 1995
- By 2003: 85% vaccination rate nationwide in population for whom recommended
- Varicella decreased in same period ~ 85% (CDC Varicella Active Surveillance Project)
- Future adult populations in U.S. may rely on vaccination for protection from primary VZV infection

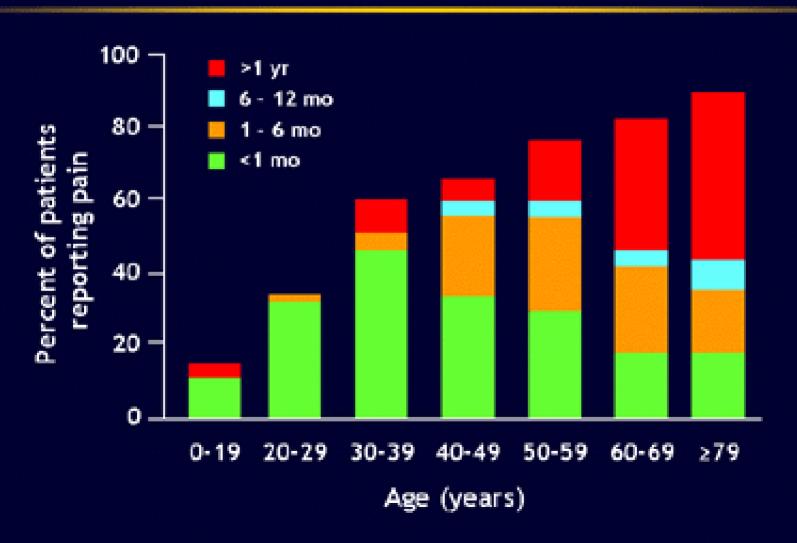
### VZV Epidemiology - 2

- Exposure to varicella disease in the community suggested as preventing reactivation of VZV and subsequent HZ and its manifestations.
- From 1999 to 2003, age-standardized rates of overall herpes zoster occurrence increased from 2.77/1,000 to 5.25/1,000 (90%).
- Upward trends in both crude & adjusted rates were highly significant (p < 0.001), specifically in the 25–44 year and 65+ year age groups

### Incidence of Herpes Zoster Increases With Age



#### Prevalence of PHN and Duration of Pain Associated With PHN Increase With Age



### **ZOSTAVAX™ Clinical Development**

| 1995  | VARIVAX™ licensed   |
|-------|---|
| 02-95 | AUC (Brief Pain Inventory) compared to subjective responses in HZ patients published (Lydick)                                   |
| 09-96 | ZOSTAVAX™ IND submitted   |
| 09-01 | Last vaccination (Protocol 004)   |
| 11-03 | Last HZ case accrued (Protocol 004)   |
| 12-03 | PHN definition changed from ≥ 30 to ≥ 90 days (Protocol 004)  |
| 04-04 | Protocol 004 Ended  |
| 06-04 | Incidence HZ, duration HZ pain & SADLI elevated from tertiary to secondary endpoints; success criteria submitted (Protocol 004) |
| 06-04 | Protocol 009 Ended  |
| 08-04 | Validation of HZ BOI published (Coplan)   |
| 04-05 | ZOSTAVAX™ BLA submitted   |

### **Comparison to Varivax®**

|         | VARIVAX®   | ZOSTAVAX™            |
|---------|--|----------------------|
| Disease | Primary Varicella                                | Herpes Zoster        |
| Dose    | 1,350 – 17,000 pfu                               | 19,400 – 207,000 pfu |
| # Doses | 12 mos12 yrs: 1<br>optional 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | 1                    |
|         | ≥ 13 years: 2                                    |                      |

#### **ZOSTAVAX™** Clinical Trials

| Protocol   | 001 | 002        | 003        | 004    | 005        | 007        | 009  |
|------------|-----|------------|------------|--------|------------|------------|------|
| Phase      | 1   | <b>2</b> b | <b>2</b> b | 3      | <b>2</b> b | <b>2</b> a | 3    |
| # Subjects | 276 | 398        | 21         | 38,546 | 196        | 210        | 698  |
| Age (yrs.) | ≥60 | ≥60        | ≥30        | ≥60    | ≥60        | ≥ 60       | ≥ 50 |
| Safety     | X   | X          | X          | X      | X          | X          | X    |
| Immuno     | X   | X          | X          | X      | Х          | X          |      |
| Efficacy   |     |            |            | X      |            |            |      |

Total Safety Database = 21,000 ZOSTAVAX™ recipients

# ZOSTAVAXTM Protocol 004

# Objectives Protocol 004

### Primary

 Reduce incidence/severity HZ and complications in those ≥ 60 yrs. as measured by the Burden of Illness Score (BOI)

Reduce incidence of PHN

# Objectives Protocol 004

#### Secondary

- Reduce incidence of HZ
- Reduce duration of HZ pain
- Reduce Activities of Daily Living
   Interference (ADLI) in subjects w/ HZ

# HZ BOI Score Protocol 004

Zoster Brief Pain Inventory (ZBPI), Coplan 2004

- 121 subjects enrolled w/in 14 days of HZ rash onset
- ZBPI severity-duration associated w/ severityduration ADLI & worsening QoL
- Score ≥ 3, 90 days or more after HZ rash had high agreement with pain worse than mild using Present Pain Intensity Scale (PPI), modified from the McGill Pain Questionnaire (kappa = 0.72)

# Study Design Protocol 004

- Prospective, randomized, double-blinded, placebo-controlled, multi-center study
- Adults ≥ 60 yrs
- Randomized 1:1 to vaccine : placebo
- Stratified by age
  - 60-69 yrs. (N = 20,747);  $\geq 70$  yrs. (N = 17,799)
- 12 clinical lots
  - 9 accelerated-aged to mimic end-expiry potency

## Protocol 004

- More than intermittent use of topical or inhaled corticosteroid
- Life-expectancy < 5 years</p>
- Bed-ridden or homebound
- Cognitive impairment, severe hearing loss (no specific criteria)

#### **ZOSTAVAX™ lots administered**

#### **Protocol 004**

|                         | Grp 1* | Grp 2** | Grp 3** | Grp 4** |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| N                       | 835    | 978     | 8720    | 8737    |
| PFU/                    | 50-62  | 34-42   | 26-33   | 21-26   |
| Dose (10 <sup>3</sup> ) |        |         |         |         |
| Dates                   | 11/98  | 04/99   | 07/99   | 07/00   |
|                         | 11/99  | 11/99   | 12/00   | 09/01   |
| Avg. F/U                | 1400   | 1400    | 1200    | 900     |
| (days)                  |        |         |         |         |

<sup>\*</sup>Group 1 comprised of 3 unaged clinical lots

<sup>\*\*</sup>Each group comprised of 3 of the 9 accelerated aged clinical lots

#### **Protocol 004**

Randomized 1:1

N = 38,546

 $ZOSTAVAX^{TM}$  N = 19,270

Placebo = 19 276

# Overview of Study Procedures Protocol 004

| Postvaccii          | nation                                    | AE<br>Monitoring<br>Substudy | Routine<br>Monitoring<br>Cohort | CMI<br>Substudy |  |  |  |
|---------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| VRC                 | D 0-42                                    | X                            |                                 |                 |  |  |  |
| ATRS<br>Safety      | D 42                                      | X                            | X                               | X               |  |  |  |
| ATRS                | Monthly thru                              | X                            | X                               | X               |  |  |  |
| HZ                  | study end                                 | Hospitalization              |                                 |                 |  |  |  |
| Immuno              | D 1, W 6,                                 |                              |                                 | X               |  |  |  |
|                     | M 12, 24, 36                              |                              |                                 |                 |  |  |  |
| Following H         | Z rash                                    | All Subjects                 |                                 |                 |  |  |  |
| Immuno D 1, W 3 & 6 |   | X                            |                                 |                 |  |  |  |
| IZIQ, ZBPI          | D 0-182                                   | X                            |                                 |                 |  |  |  |
| ATRS: Autom         | ATRS: Automated Telephone Response System |                              |                                 |                 |  |  |  |

# Protocol 004

- ITT all randomized
  - Evaluable HZ by PCR, culture, CEC; safety
- MITT (modified ITT)
  - Primary efficacy analyses
  - Followed ≥ 30 days postvaccination
  - Did not develop evaluable HZ w/in 30 days
  - Evaluable HZ per hierachical testing (PCR, culture, CEC determination)
- MITT2
  - MITT, but <u>evaluable HZ per Clinical Evaluation</u> <u>Committee (CEC)</u>

# Results Protocol 004

## Demographics

#### **Protocol 004**

|           | ZOSTAVAX™ | Placebo   |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Male      | 59.2%     | 58.9%     |
| Female    | 40.8%     | 41.1%     |
| Black     | 2.0%      | 2.2%      |
| Hispanic  | 1.4%      | 1.3%      |
| White     | 95.4%     | 95.4%     |
| Other     | 1.1%      | 1.2%      |
| Mean Age  | 69.4 yrs. | 69.4 yrs. |
| Age Range | 60-99     | 59-94     |

# Disposition Protocol 004

|                    | ZOSTAVAX™      | Placebo   |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Enrolled           | 19,270         | 19,276    |
| Completed          | 18,359 (95.3%) | 18,357    |
|                    |                | (95.2%)   |
| Died               | 793            | 792       |
|                    | (4.1%)         | (4.1%)    |
| Withdrawn          | 57             | <b>75</b> |
|                    | (0.3%)         | (0.4%)    |
| Lost to follow- up | 53             | 40        |
|                    | (0.3%)         | (0.2%)    |

### **Hierarchical HZ Determination**

#### **Protocol 004**

- PCR + or
  - 93.4% (894/957) of evaluable HZ cases
  - Wild type VZV, Oka/Merck attenuated VZV, HSV
  - No Oka/Merck VZV isolated from lesions
  - If +VZV and +HSV, determined by CEC (1 case)
- Viral Culture +
  - 1.0% (10/957) of evaluable HZ cases
  - VZV, HSV
- CEC Adjudication
  - 5.5% (53/957) of evaluable HZ cases
  - Determination if not diagnosed by PCR or culture
  - All HZ cases reviewed by Clinical Evaluation Committee

# "Co-Primary" Endpoint – 1 Protocol 004

Decrease in HZ Burden-of-Illness (BOI) 61.1% (51.1, 69.1)

Mean sum of areas under curve

≤ 6 months in HZ cases

X

Proportion of subjects with HZ in treatment arm

Success Criteria: point estimate > 47%; LL 95% CI > 25%

# "Co-Primary" Endpoints – 2 Protocol 004

# Decrease in Incidence of PHN 66.5% (47.5, 79.2)

- Pain ≥ 3 (0-10 point scale, 10 = worst pain)
- Occurring/persisting 90 days after HZ onset
- 30 day cutoff changed after last HZ case accrued

## Secondary Endpoint - 1

**Protocol 004** 

Decrease in Incidence HZ 51.3% (44.2. 57.6)

Elevated to secondary endpoint after last HZ case accrued but prior to formal unblinding

Success Criteria: LL 95% CI > 25%

# Secondary Endpoint – 2 Protocol 004

# Duration of clinically significant pain 20 days (vaccine) vs. 22 days (placebo)

- Clinically significant = pain score ≥ 3, 0-10 pt. scale
- P-value < 0.001 (MITT)</p>
- P-value = 0.041 (Evaluable HZ cases only)
- Elevated to secondary endpoint after last HZ case accrued but prior to formal unblinding

# Secondary Endpoint – 3 Protocol 004

Substantial Interference with Activities of Daily Living (SADLI)

"Because Substantial ADLI can only occur among HZ cases, the benefit of vaccination in reducing the incidence of Substantial ADLI was confounded by the benefit of vaccination in reducing HZ incidence."

(Clinical Study Report, page 108)

## **Secondary Endpoint – 4**

**Protocol 004** 

# Substantial Interference with Activities of Daily Living (SADLI)

- Combined ADLI score ≥2 for ≥7 days
- 36.2% (ZOSTAVAX) vs. 39.4% (Placebo)
- 8.2% (-9.4, 22.9) in ZOSTAVAX group beyond the reduction in HZ incidence
- P-value = 0.341
- Does not include vaccine effect on HZ incidence, unlike other major endpoints
- Elevated to secondary endpoint after last HZ case accrued but prior to formal unblinding

# Effect of Covariates on Pain Severity-by-Duration Scores Among Evaluable HZ cases Protocol 004

| Parameter                       | Estimate | Std. Error | P-Value <sup>1</sup> |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|----------------------|
| Vaccine v. Placebo              | -35,065  | 13.909     | 0.012                |
| Female v. male                  | -19.691  | 13.967     | 0.159                |
| Age (yrs.)                      | 4.665    | 1.092      | <0.001               |
| Antiviral drug use <sup>2</sup> | 30.915   | 20.822     | 0.138                |
| Analgesic drug use <sup>2</sup> | 161.626  | 16.744     | <0.001               |

- 1: Based on analysis of covariance (ANCOVA) model; severity-byduration score of HZ pain = response variable, and listed parameters as explanatory variables.
- 2: Yes or No, in 6-months following onset HZ rash p-values (interactions): treatment-by-gender = 0.143; treatment-by-age = 0.031; treatment-by-antiviral use = 0.381; treatment-by-analgesic use = 0.293

#### Immune Status at HZ Onset

#### **Protocol 004**

|   | ZOSTA<br>N = 19 |      | Placebo<br>N = 19,276 |      |
|---|-----------------|------|-----------------------|------|
| # Subjects immunosuppressed at onset of HZ (n)/Total HZ cases (m) | 17/320          | 5.3% | 16/659                | 2.4% |
|   | n               | %    | n                     | %    |
| Corticosteroids   | 5               | 29.4 | 6                     | 37.5 |
| Chemotherapy  | 4               | 23.5 | 6                     | 37.5 |
| Transplantation   | 1               | 5.9  | 1                     | 6.3  |
| Malignancy  | 9               | 52.9 | 9                     | 56.3 |
| Other*  | 7               | 41.2 | 3                     | 18.8 |

<sup>\*</sup>Includes use of methotrexate, radiation therapy, neoplasm, emphysems, polymyalgia rheumatica, pulmonary fibrosis.

### HZ BOI Efficacy by Year

#### **Protocol 004**

| Yr | ZOSTAVAX™ |       |       | Placebo |     |       | Efficacy<br>(95% CI) |        |                   |
|----|-----------|-------|-------|---------|-----|-------|----------------------|--------|-------------------|
|    | n         | m     | F/U   | Incid.  | n   | m     | F/U                  | Incid. |                   |
| 1  | 76        | 19254 | 19132 | 0.427   | 201 | 19274 | 19081                | 2.075  | 0.79 (0.68, 0.87) |
| 2  | 103       | 18994 | 18827 | 0.801   | 194 | 18915 | 18679                | 1.661  | 0.52 (0.27, 0.68) |
| 3  | 98        | 18626 | 14505 | 0.809   | 171 | 18422 | 14327                | 1.482  | 0.45 (0.19, 0.63) |
| 4  | 35        | 9943  | 5412  | 0.367   | 70  | 9806  | 5325                 | 1.007  | 0.64 (0.25, 0.82) |
| 5  | 3         | 1906  | 327   | 0.094   | 6   | 1856  | 324                  | 0.375  | 0.75 (0.19, 0.92) |

F/U: in person-yrs. Incidence: per 1000 person-yrs

n = # with event in time period m = # followed in time period

### PHN Efficacy by Year

#### **Protocol 004**

| Yr |    | ZOSTAVAX™ |       |        | Placebo |       |          | Efficacy |                      |
|----|----|-----------|-------|--------|---------|-------|----------|----------|----------------------|
|    |    |           |       |        |         |       | (95% CI) |          |                      |
|    | n  | m         | F/U   | Incid. | n       | m     | F/U      | Incid.   |                      |
| 1  | 5  | 19254     | 19132 | 0.261  | 33      | 19274 | 19081    | 1.729    | 0.85 (0.61, 0.95)    |
| 2  | 8  | 18994     | 18827 | 0.425  | 22      | 18915 | 18679    | 1.178    | 0.64 (0.16, 0.86)    |
| 3  | 10 | 18626     | 14505 | 0.689  | 17      | 18422 | 14327    | 1.187    | 0.42 (-0.34, 0.76)   |
| 4  | 3  | 9943      | 5412  | 0.554  | 7       | 9806  | 5325     | 1.315    | 0.58 (-0.85, 0.93)   |
| 5  | 1  | 1906      | 327   | 3.061  | 1       | 1856  | 324      | 3.083    | 0.007 (-76.93, 0.99) |

F/U: in person-yrs. Incidence: per 1000 person-yrs n = # with event in time period m = # followed in time period

## HZ Efficacy by Year

#### **Protocol 004**

| Yr | ZOSTAVAX™ |       |       |        | Placebo |       |       | Efficacy<br>(95% CI) |                    |
|----|-----------|-------|-------|--------|---------|-------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|
|    | n         | m     | F/U   | Incid. | n       | m     | F/U   | Incid.               |                    |
| 1  | 76        | 19254 | 19132 | 3.972  | 201     | 19274 | 19081 | 10.534               | 0.62 (0.51, 0.71)  |
| 2  | 103       | 18994 | 18827 | 5.471  | 194     | 18915 | 18679 | 10.386               | 0.47 (0.33, 0.59)  |
| 3  | 98        | 18626 | 14505 | 6/756  | 171     | 18422 | 14327 | 11.936               | 0.43 (0.27, 0.56)  |
| 4  | 35        | 9943  | 5412  | 6.467  | 70      | 9806  | 5325  | 13.145               | 0.51 (0.25, 0.68)  |
| 5  | 3         | 1906  | 327   | 9.183  | 6       | 1856  | 324   | 18.500               | 0.50 (-1.32, 0.92) |

F/U: in person-yrs. Incidence: per 1000 person-yrs

n = # with event in time period m = # followed in time period

## Mean Worst HZ Pain (ITT)

**Protocol 004** 

|                  | ZOSTAVAX™<br>(95% CI) | Placebo<br>(95% CI) |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| D 1 (rash onset) | 3.6 (2.5, 4.8)        | 5.0 (4.3, 5.7)      |
| D 2              | 4.1 (3.3, 4.8)        | 4.3 (3.8, 4.7)      |
| D 3              | 4.3 (3.7, 4.8)        | 4.2 (3.8, 4.7)      |
| D 4-5            | 4.6 (4.2, 5.0)        | 4.3 (4.1, 4.6)      |
| D 9-11           | 3.6 (3.2, 4.0)        | 3.6 (3.4, 3.8)      |
| Wk 4             | 1.9 (1.5, 2.2)        | 2.0 (1.8, 2.2)      |
| Wk 6             | 1.2 (0.9, 1.4)        | 1.3 (1.1, 1.5)      |
| Wk 8             | 0.8 (0.6, 1.0)        | 1.1 (0.9, 1.3)      |
| Wk 12            | 0.5 (0.4, 0.7)        | 0.8 (0.6, 0.9)      |
| Wk 16            | 0.4 (0.2, 0.5)        | 0.6 (0.4, 0.7)      |
| Wk 26            | 0.2 (0.1, 0.2)        | 0.4 (0.3, 0.5)      |

## Effect of Age on Efficacy

**Protocol 004** 

|              |            | Efficacy (95% CI)    |
|--------------|------------|----------------------|
| BOI          | 60-69 yrs. | 0.655 (0.515, 0.755) |
|              | ≥ 70 yrs.  | 0.554 (0.399, 0.669) |
|              |            |                      |
| Incidence    | 60-69 yrs. | 0.656 (0.204, 0.867) |
| PHN          | ≥ 70 yrs.  | 0.668 (0.433, 0.813) |
|              |            |                      |
| Incidence HZ | 60-69 yrs. | 0.639 (0.555, 0.709) |
|              | ≥ 70 yrs.  | 0.376 (0.250, 0.481) |

## Vaccine Efficacy on HZ Incidence by Age

FDA exploratory analysis - Protocol 004

| Age<br>(Yrs.) | Incidence rate / 1<br>(# HZ cases / # su<br>group) | Vaccine Efficacy (HZ) |                          |
|---------------|--|-----------------------|--------------------------|
|               | ZOSTAVAX™ Placebo                                  |                       |                          |
| 59-64         | 3.441 (54/5216)                                    | 9.945 (153/5198)      | 0.654 (0.528, 0.746)     |
| 65-69         | 4.351 (68/5154)                                    | 11.626 (181/5158)     | 0.626 (0.506, 0.717)     |
| 70-74         | 6.435 (89/4545)                                    | 11.438 (158/4560)     | 0.437 (0.271, 0.566)     |
| 75-79         | 7.182 (67/3076)                                    | 11.312 (103/2999)     | 0.360 (0.129, 0.530)     |
| 80-84         | 9.773 (31/1063)                                    | 12.230 (39/1097)      | 0.201 (-0.281, 0.501)    |
| 85-89         | 10.040 (5/181) 11.570 (7/210)                      |                       | 0.132 (-1.734, 0.725)    |
| 90+           | 19.608 (1/19)                                      | 14.286 (1/25)         | -0.373 (-20.945, 0.91.4) |

# Vaccine Efficacy Above and Beyond VE<sub>HZ</sub>

FDA Exploratory Analyses - Protocol 004

- Median HZ BOI among HZ cases
  - 82.50 (ZOSTAVAX)
  - 87.75 (Placebo)

P-value (Wilcoxon) = 0.25

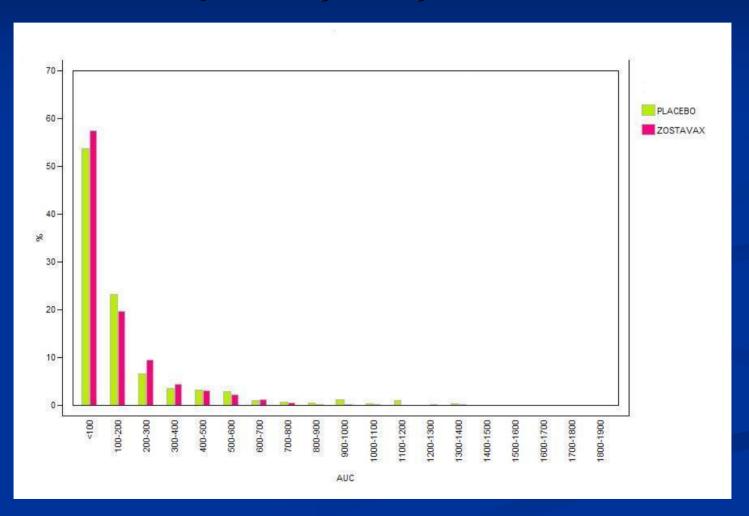
- Percent of HZ cases with PHN
  - 8.57% (ZOSTAVAX)
  - 12.5% (Placebo)

P-value (Fisher) = 0.08

- Duration of clinically significant pain (days)
  - 19 (ZOSTAVAX)
  - 22 (Placebo)

P-value (Wilcoxon) = 0.09

# Comparison of distributions of BOI between Placebo and ZOSTAVAX group among HZ cases FDA Exploratory Analysis- Protocol 004



## Table 3. Comparison of BOI between Vaccine and Placebo Groups

|                     | Zoster vaccine | Placebo |                           |
|---------------------|----------------|---------|---------------------------|
| # subjects          | 19254          | 19247   |                           |
| # HZ cases          | 315            | 642     |                           |
| Total follow-up     |                |         |                           |
| time (yrs)          | 58203          | 57736   |                           |
| mean follow-up      |                |         |                           |
| per subject (yrs)   | 3.02           | 3.00    |                           |
|                     |                |         |                           |
| HZ incidence rate   |                |         | $VE_{HZ} = 51.3\%$        |
| Per 1000 person-yrs | 5.41           | 11.12   | (44.3%, 57.4%)            |
| HZ incidence rate   |                |         | $VE_{HZ} = 51.0\%$        |
| (crude rate)        | 1.64%          | 3.34%   | (44.0%, 57.1%)            |
|                     |                |         |                           |
| Sum of HZ BOI       | 46341          | 114057  |                           |
| mean HZ BOI         |                |         |                           |
| per HZ case         | 147.1          | 177.7   |                           |
| median HZ BOI       |                |         |                           |
| among HZ cases      | 82.50          | 87.75   | p-value (Wilcoxon) = 0.25 |
| mean HZ BOI         |                |         | $VE_{BOI} = 61.1\%$       |
| per subject         | 2.41           | 5.93    | (51.1%, 69.1%)            |

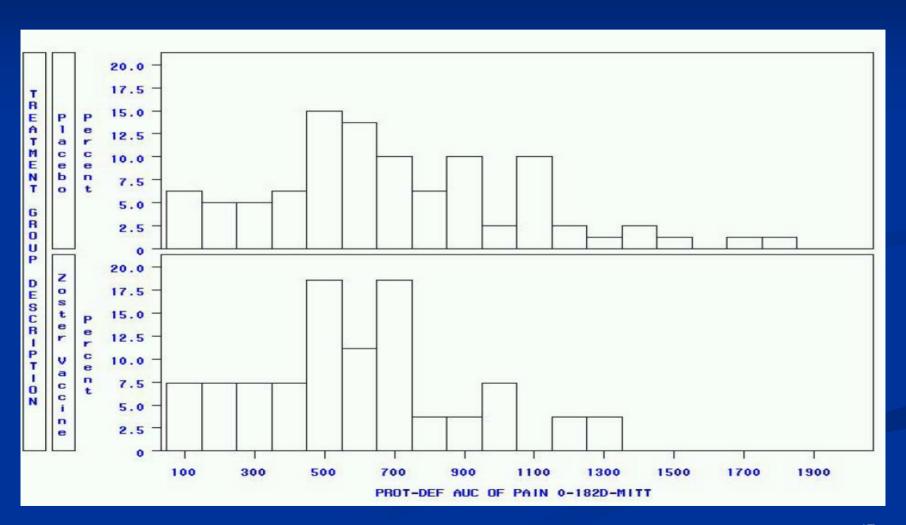
# Comparison of BOI between Placebo and Zostavax group among HZ cases FDA Exploratory Analysis – Protocol 004

| Test                | p-value | p-value(age-adjusted) |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| Log-Rank            | 0.0863  | 0.0330                |
| Wilcoxon            | 0.2460  | 0.0985                |
| Tarone              | 0.1848  | 0.0679                |
| Peto                | 0.2530  | 0.1083                |
| Modified Peto       | 0.2535  | 0.1088                |
| Fleming(p=1)        | 0.2460  | 0.1064                |
| Kolmogorov -Smirnov | 0.7907  |                       |

## Table 4. Comparison of PHN Incidence between Vaccine and Placebo Groups

|                    | Zoster vaccine | Placebo |                         |
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| mean follow-up     |                |         |                         |
| per subjects (yrs) | 3.02           | 3.00    |                         |
|                    |                |         |                         |
| # PHN cases        | 27             | 80      |                         |
| percent of PHN     |                |         |                         |
| among HZ cases     | 8.57%          | 12.5%   | p-value (Fisher) = 0.08 |
| PHN incidence rate |                |         | $VE_{PHN} = 66.5\%$     |
| per1000 person-yrs | 0.464          | 1.384   | (48.4%, 78.3%)          |

# Comparison of distributions of BOI between Placebo and ZOSTAVAX group among PHN cases FDA Exploratory Analysis – Protocol 004



## Comparison of BOI among PHN cases FDA Exploratory Analysis – Protocol 004

|                | Zoster vaccine | Placebo |                           |
|----------------|----------------|---------|---------------------------|
| mean HZ BOI    |                |         |                           |
| per PHN case   | 580.5          | 700.2   |                           |
| median HZ BOI  |                |         |                           |
| among PHNcases | 553            | 612     | p-value (Wilcoxon) = 0.15 |

# Comparison of BOI between Placebo and Zostavax group among PHN cases FDA Exploratory Analysis – Protocol 004

| p-value | p-value(age-adjusted)                                    |
|---------|--|
| 0.1138  | 0.1019   |
| 0.1486  | 0.1593   |
| 0.1262  | 0.1153   |
| 0.1482  | 0.1449   |
| 0.1493  | 0.1468   |
| 0.1486  | 0.1415   |
| 0.4579  |  |
|         | 0.1138<br>0.1486<br>0.1262<br>0.1482<br>0.1493<br>0.1486 |

## Immunogenicity

## Immunogenicity Assays Protocol 004

- gpELISA
- Responder Cell Frequency (RCF)
- IFN-γ ELISPOT

# gpELISA Fold Rise 6 wks postvaccination

**Protocol 004** 

| Clinical Lot* | GMF (95% CI)   |
|---------------|----------------|
| 1562W-E471    | 1.7 (1.5, 2.0) |
| 1563W-E472    | 1.8 (1.5, 2.1) |
| 1564W-E473    | 1.9 (1.6, 2.3) |
| 1588W-G479    | 1.7 (1.5, 1.9) |
| 1589W-G480    | 1.6 (1.4, 1.8) |
| 15990W-G481   | 1.6 (1.4, 1.8) |

<sup>\*</sup> Accelerated aged lots

## gpELISA by HZ Status

### **Protocol 004**

|                  |       | ZOSTAVAX       | Placebo        |
|------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| GMT (6wk)        | HZ    | 272 (162, 457) | 182 (134, 247) |
| gpELISA units/mL |       | N = 9          | N = 23         |
|                  | No HZ | 478 (445, 515) | 296 (273, 321) |
|                  |       | N = 658        | N = 661        |
| GMFR             | HZ    | 1.1 (0.9, 1.4) | 0.9 (0.8, 1.1) |
| D 0 – Wk 6       |       | N = 9          | N = 23         |
|                  | No HZ | 1.7 (1.6, 1.8) | 1.0 (1.0, 1.0) |
|                  |       | N = 646        | N = 650        |

## HZ Risk by 6 Wk gpELISA Titer FDA Exploratory Analysis - Protocol 004

| gpELISA         | ZOSTAVAX™ |       | Placebo |       |
|-----------------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|
| gpELISA<br>u/mL | n/N       | %     | n/N     | %     |
| ≤100            | 0/24      | 0%    | 5/92    | 5.43% |
| 100 - ≤ 200     | 3/86      | 3.49% | 6/147   | 4.08% |
| 200 - ≤ 300     | 3/108     | 2.78% | 5/118   | 4.24% |
| 300 - ≤ 400     | 1/121     | 0.83% | 6/111   | 5.41% |
| 400 - ≤ 500     | 1/18      | 5.56% | 0/14    | 0%    |
| 500 - ≤ 600     | 0/31      | 0%    | 0/32    | 0%    |
| 600 - ≤ 700     | 0/34      | 0%    | 1/16    | 6.25% |
| 700 - ≤ 800     | 0/35      | 0%    | 0/20    | 0%    |
| 800 - ≤ 900     | 0/29      | 0%    | 0/17    | 0%    |
| 900 - ≤ 1000    | 0/23      | 0%    | 0/12    | 0%    |
| > 1000          | 1/146     | 0.68% | 0/94    | 0%    |

N = # subjects in group w/given titer

n = # subjects in group developing HZ

## Herpes Zoster Protocol 004

- No clear difference in rates of various reported complications among HZ cases in the treatment groups
- HZ associated w/immunosuppression
  - Number of immunosuppressed subjects w/HZ in each treatment group was equal
- 2 placebo subjects & 1 ZOSTAVAX subject developed multiple evaluable cases of HZ (only data from 1<sup>st</sup> case used in analyses)

# gpELISA: ZOSTAVAX vs. Naturally Occurring HZ Protocol 004

|            | Following receipt of | Naturally Occurring HZ following: |              |
|------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
|            | ZOSTAVAX™            | ZOSTAVAX™                         | Placebo      |
| After →    | Vaccination          | Rash Onset                        | Rash Onset   |
| GMT        | 475                  | 2042                              | 2260         |
| 6wk        | (442, 511)           | (1805, 2309)                      | (2070, 2467) |
| GMFR       | 1.7                  | 3.2                               | 3.1          |
| D 0 – 6 wk | (1.6, 1.8)           | (2.6, 3.9)                        | (2.7, 3.5)   |

## Safety

#### **Protocol 004**

ZOSTAVAXTM

N = 19,270

**Placebo** N = 19,276



**AE Monitoring Substudy** 

N = 3,345

**AE Monitoring Substudy** 

OR

N = 3,271

OR

**Routine Monitoring** Cohort

N = 15,925

**CMI Substudy** 

N = 691

**Routine Monitoring** Cohort

N = 16,006

**CMI Substudy** 

N = 704

### Safety Monitoring – 1

**Protocol 004** 

### AE Substudy (N = 6,616)

- Vaccine Report Cards
  - Solicited local AEs Days 0-4
  - Temperature Days 0-21
  - Rashes, other complaints, illness Days 0-42
- Automated Telephone Response System (ATRS)
  - Day 42 Safety specific follow-up
    - Rash, unusual reactions, hospitalizations, disability, lifethreatening events, new diagnosis of cancer, overdose of any medication
  - Monthly for suspected HZ, hospitalization
  - Medical record review on or around Day 42 (AEs, HZ)

## Safety Monitoring – 2 Protocol 004

### Routine Monitoring Cohort (N = 31,930)

- ATRS Day 42 Safety Follow-up
  - Rash, unusual reactions, hospitalizations, disability, lifethreatening events, new diagnosis of cancer, overdose of any medication
- Available Medical record review ~ Day 42
  - AEs
  - HZ
- Otherwise safety monitoring passive (Monthly ATRS monitored for suspected HZ)

# ATRS 42 Day Safety Follow-Up By Subject - Protocol 004

|                                     | N      | %    |
|-------------------------------------|--------|------|
| Total Population - Protocol 004     | 38,546 | 100% |
| Subjects in Day 42 ATRS Dataset     | 25,613 | 66%  |
| Calls made by subjects per protocol | 21,117 | 55%  |
| Calls made by staff for subjects    | 4,496  | 11%  |

### ATRS 42 Day Safety Follow-Up - 2

601 of 6616 subjects (9%) from AE
 Monitoring Cohort Included in ATRS Day
 42 Dataset

1,240 additional reports (≥ 6) for subjects after initial entry of their data over ~ 3 year period

# ATRS 42 Day Safety Follow-Up Reports by Source and Time - Protocol 004 (includes subjects with multiple entries)

| Days Postvaccination | Subject Contact | Staff Called for Subject |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| <b>-5 – 28</b>       | 13              | 2                        |
| 29-42                | 10              | 69                       |
| 43                   | 15              | 101                      |
| 44                   | 17,248          | 510                      |
| 45                   | 1,702           | 207                      |
| 46                   | 987             | 137                      |
| 47                   | 477             | 137                      |
| 48                   | 434             | 87                       |
| 49                   | 193             | 131                      |
| 50                   | 213             | 112                      |
| 51-1095              | 2               | 4639                     |

# AE Rates From AE Monitoring Substudy from VRC Days 0-42 - Protocol 004

|                                     | ZOSTAVAX | Placebo |
|-------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Number of subjects with VRCs        | 3345     | 3271    |
| Solicited AEs                       |          |         |
| Temperature ≥ 38.3°C                | 0.8%     | 0.9%    |
| Temperature "abnormal" but < 38.3°C | 7.2%     | 6.0%    |
| Erythema*                           | 36%      | 7%      |
| Pain/Tenderness*                    | 35%      | 9%      |
| Swelling*                           | 26%      | 4.5%    |
| Unsolicited AEs                     |          |         |
| Pruritis                            | 7%       | 1%      |
| Warmth                              | 1.7%     | 0.3%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Specifically queried on VRC; all had p-value for risk difference < 0.001 Abnormal temperature = qualitatively abnormal

# Systemic AEs (> 1%) AE Monitoring Substudy Days 0 - 42 Protocol 004

|                       | ZOSTAVAX™ | Placebo |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------|
| Subjects w/ follow-up | 3326      | 3249    |
| Cardiovascular        | 1.2%      | 1.2%    |
| Digestive             | 3.7%      | 3.8%    |
| General body          | 10.5%     | 9.8%    |
| Headache              | 2.7%      | 2.6%    |
| Musculoskeletal       | 1.4%      | 1.2%    |
| Nervous System        | 1.7%      | 1.8%    |
| Respiratory           | 7.2%      | 6.2%    |
| Respiratory disorder  | 2.0%      | 1.7%    |
| Respiratory infection | 1.1%      | 0.8%    |
| Skin                  | 7.6%      | 7.3%    |

# Serious Adverse Event Rates Days 0-42 - Protocol 004

|                           |        | ZOSTAVAXTM | Placebo |
|---------------------------|--------|------------|---------|
| Routine Monitoring Cohort | SAE    | 1.24%      | 1.38%   |
| N = 31,930                |        | N = 191    | N = 213 |
| AE Monitoring Substudy    | SAE    | 1.92%      | 1.26%   |
| N = 6,616                 |        | N = 64     | N = 41  |
| AE Monitoring Substudy    | SAE    | 1.27%      | 1.05%   |
| 60-69 yrs. N = 3,459      |        | N = 22     | N = 18  |
| AE Monitoring Substudy    | SAE    | 2.63%      | 1.49%   |
| ≥ 70 yrs. N = 3,157       |        | N = 42     | N = 23  |
| Overall Study N = 38,546  | Death* | N = 14     | N = 16  |

### **Deaths\* Resulting in SAEs Days 0-42**

| Protocol 004                | Number of Events |            |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------|--|
|                             | ZOSTAVAX™        | Placebo    |  |
|                             | N = 19,270       | N = 19,276 |  |
| All SAEs resulting in death | 14               | 16         |  |
| Myocardial infarction       | 7                | 5          |  |
| Cardiovascular Dz.          | 2                | 0          |  |
| Heart arrest                | 0                | 2          |  |
| Heart failure               | 1                | 0          |  |
| Sudden death                | 0                | 1          |  |
| Cerebrovascular accident    | 2                | 1          |  |
| Carcinoma                   | 2                | 4          |  |
| Aspiration pneumonia        | 0                | 1          |  |
| Gangrene, intestinal        | 0                | 1          |  |
| Liver failure               | 0                | 1          |  |

<sup>\*26</sup> of 30 deaths reported from Routine Monitoring Cohort

## Hospitalization: Day 0 - Study End AE Monitoring Substudy Protocol 004

|            | ZOSTAVAX™<br>N = 3345 |                | Placebo<br>N = 3271 |                |
|------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
|            | n/m                   | Rate/          | n/m                 | Rate/          |
|            |                       | 1000 pt yrs.   |                     | 1000 pt yrs.   |
|            |                       | (95% CI)       |                     | (95% CI)       |
| All        | 1137/3342             | 107.48         | 1115/3266           | 107.30         |
|            |                       | (101.3, 113.9) |                     | (101.1, 113.8) |
| HZ-related | 5/3342                | 0.38           | 6/3266              | 0.47           |
|            |                       | (0.12, 0.89)   |                     | (0.17, 1.030)  |

N = # subjects in AE Monitoring Substudy in each treatment group

n = # subjects in category with hospitalization

m = # subjects randomized

No vaccine-related hospitalizations were reported

## Deaths Overall: Day 0 – Study End

|               | ZOSTAVAX™<br>N = 19,270 |   | Placebo<br>N = 19,276 |  |
|---------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------|--|
| Age<br>(yrs.) | n/m (%)                 | Death rate /<br>1000-person<br>yrs.<br>(95% CI) | n/m (%)               | Death rate /<br>1000-person yrs.<br>(95% CI) |
| 60-69         | 218/10378               | 6.2   | 246/10369             | 7.00   |
|               |                         | (5.4, 7.08)                                     |                       | (6.15, 7.93)                                 |
| ≥ 70          | 575/8892                | 19.08   | 549/8907              | 18.12  |
|               |                         | (17.55, 20.70)                                  |                       | (16.64, 19.70)                               |
| All           | 793/19270               | 12.14   | 795/19276             | 12.15  |
|               |                         | (11.31, 13.02)                                  |                       | (11.32, 13.02)                               |

n - # subjects in group who died during study

m - # subjects originally randomized to age group

# Safety Follow-up Day 43 – Study End – 1

**Protocol 004** 

- No information on proportion of subjects with ATRS contact at each month, overall, by group and by site. (AE Monitoring Cohort queried for hospitalizations.)
- "Due to the passive and inconsistent nature of safety data collection in the Routine Monitoring Cohort...from Day 43 through study end, caution should be exercised when interpreting these particular data." (Clinical Study Report, p. 309)

### AE Monitoring Substudy AEs > 1%, Day 43 – Study End

|                       | ZOSTAVAX™ | Placebo |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------|
| Subjects w/ follow-up | 3342      | 3271    |
| Cardiovascular        | 11.0%     | 11.5%   |
| Digestive             | 6.4%      | 5.5%    |
| General Body          | 9.5%      | 10.5%   |
| Genitourinary         | 5.0%      | 5.6%    |
| Metabolic/nutritional | 1.0%      | 1.3%    |
| Musculoskeletal       | 6.6%      | 7.0%    |
| Nervous system        | 4.5%      | 4.7%    |
| Respiratory           | 4.3%      | 4.7%    |
| Skin                  | 3.1%      | 3.1%    |

### **Protocol 009**

## **Objective - Protocol 009**

- Comparison of safety and tolerability profile of a higher potency zoster vaccine with that of a lower potency dose
- Among adults ≥ 50 years of age, the higher potency ZOSTAVAX<sup>™</sup> would be generally well tolerated as compared with the lower potency ZOSTAVAX<sup>™</sup>

## Design - Protocol 009

- Double-blind, comparator study
- Randomized 2:1 (high : low potency)
- Subjects ≥ 50 yrs. old

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Stratified: 50-59 \text{ yrs.} (N = 185)
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 $\geq$  60 yrs. (N = 513)

- Dose comparison58,000 pfu (N = 234) and 207,000 pfu (N = 461)
- 42 Day safety follow-up
  - Vaccine Report Cards
  - Local and systemic AEs
  - Varicella, varicella-like rash
  - HZ, HZ-like rash

#### Primary Endpoints – Protocol 009

- Difference between higher and lower potency vaccine groups in risk of <u>vaccine-related\*</u> serious clinical adverse experiences occurring Day 1 - 42 postvaccination (2-sided, 0.05 level)
- Upper bound of the 95% CI for incidence rate of moderate or severe injection site pain, tenderness, soreness or swelling occurring Day 1 - 5 postvaccination in the higher potency vaccine group be less than 21.5% (historical rate reported with PNEUMOVAX™23).

<sup>\*</sup>Vaccine-related as determined by study investigator

#### Secondary Endpoints – Protocol 009

- Varicella or varicella-like rash with > 100
   lesions Days 1 42 postvaccination
- HZ or HZ-like rash Days 1 42 postvaccination
- Fever ≥ 38.3°C (oral) Days 1 21 postvaccination

#### Results 1 - Protocol 009

#### **Primary Endpoints**

- Vaccine-related\* SAEs No occurrence
- Rate of composite local AEs in high potency group: 17.2% (13.9, 21.0)

Prespecified criteria: Upper limit of 95% CI < 21.5% based upon PNEUMOVAX™23 historical data

<sup>\*</sup>Vaccine-related as determined by study investigator

#### Results 2 - Protocol 009

#### **Secondary Endpoints**

- Varicella or varicella-like rash (>100 lesions) –
   no occurrence in either treatment group
- Zoster or zosteriform rash
   3 (0.7) high potency vs. 3 (1.3%) low potency
   p-value: 0.399
- Elevated temperature, ≥38.3 °C
   4 (0.9%) high potency vs. 2 (0.9%) low potency

# Safety - 1 SAEs Days 0-42 - Protocol 009

| ZOSTAVAX™ High Potency |           |               |                     |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Gender                 | Age       | Day of Onset* | SAE                 |  |  |  |  |
| Female                 | 66        | 13            | Coronary artery dz. |  |  |  |  |
| Male                   | 61        | 25            | Angina pectoris     |  |  |  |  |
| Female                 | <b>54</b> | 29            | Depression          |  |  |  |  |
| Female                 | <b>56</b> | 41            | Enteritis           |  |  |  |  |
| ZOSTAVAX™ Low Potency  |           |               |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Gender                 | Age       | Day of Onset  | SAE                 |  |  |  |  |
| Male                   | 58        | 3             | Lung cancer         |  |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Number of days postvaccination

# Safety - 2 Days 0-42 - Protocol 009

- Deaths: None
- Injection-site reactions composite endpoint: 17.2% (13.9, 21.0) in high potency group 9.0% (5.6, 13.1) in low potency group
- Higher rates of injection site reactions in younger subjects more marked in those receiving high potency vaccine: 83% in 50-59 yr. olds vs. 55% in ≥ 60 yr. olds.

## Summary of ZOSTAVAX™ Issues

- 1. Reduction in HZ incidence: 51% (44, 58) in relatively healthy adults ≥ 60 years old postvaccination; 64% (56, 71) in those 60-69 yrs., but only 38% (25, 48) in those ≥ 70 years.
- 2. Reduction in PHN incidence: 67% (48, 79) at 90 days following HZ rash onset.
- 3. Reduction in HZ BOI score: 61% (51, 69) over 6 months following HZ rash onset.
- 4. Effect on PHN incidence and BOI appears relatively small after accounting for the effect of the vaccine on the incidence of HZ.

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- In persons with HZ, no clear correlations seen between reduction of BOI scores and measures of clinical benefit, e.g., mortality, serious morbidity, hospitalizations, use of pain medications or interference with ADLs.
- 6. Completeness of safety, ATRS and study termination follow-up is unclear.
- 7. Age appears to be the strongest factor determining vaccine effect and in an exploratory analysis, efficacy appears minimal in subjects ~ 75 years and older (the age group with potentially the largest burden of illness).

- 7. Relative increase in rate of SAEs seen (D 0-42) in the AE Monitoring Substudy, most notably in subjects aged ≥ 70 years old; however, no specific pattern of SAEs was seen.
- 8. Exclusion crtieria (not expected to live ≥ 5 more years, not ambulatory, chronic corticosteroid use, cognitive impairment) make it difficult to draw conclusions as to generalizability of the Protocol 004 efficacy and safety analyses to a typical population aged 60 years and older.

- Includes younger subjects (50-59 years old) but no comparison of older age strata to previous similar age groups in previous ZOSTAVAX™ studies
- 2. Vaccine dose 4 times higher than any previously studied, but has no comparison or bridging to previous ZOSTAVAX™ studies
- 3. Clinical relevance of study endpoints unclear:
  - a. Comparison of composite endpoint (local injection-site events) to historical rate in PNEUMOVAX™23
  - Comparison of <u>investigator-determined</u>, <u>vaccine-related</u> SAEs by dose

- Are the available data adequate to support the efficacy of ZOSTAVAX™ when administered to individuals ≥ 50 years of age in:
  - a. Preventing herpes zoster?
  - b. Preventing post-herpetic neuralgia? Preventing post-herpetic neuralgia beyond the effect on the prevention of herpes zoster?
  - c. Decreasing the burden of illness (BOI)? Decreasing the burden of illness (BOI) beyond the effect on the prevention of herpes zoster?

If not, what additional information should be provided?

2. Are the available data adequate to support the safety of ZOSTAVAX™ when administered to individuals ≥ 50 years of age?

If not, what additional information should be provided?

- 3. Please identify any other issues that should be addressed, including post-licensure studies. In particular please address:
  - a. Use of the vaccine in persons with co-morbid conditions, e.g., those who might typically reside in assisted living residences and nursing homes.
  - b. Use of the vaccine among persons taking chronic immunosuppressive therapies, including corticosteroids.
  - c. Use of the vaccine in certain subsets of the sponsor's proposed age indication, e.g., those ≥ 70 years, those ≥ 80 years.
  - d. Duration of immunity.
  - c. The sponsor's proposed pharmcovigilance plan.

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## Acronyms

AE: Adverse event

ATRS: Automated telephone response system

BOI: Burden of illness

CEC: Clinical evaluation committee

CMI: Cell-mediated immunity

HSV: Herpes simplex virus

HZ: Herpes zoster

ITT: Intent to treat

IZIQ: Initial Zoster Impact Questionnaire

MITT: Modified intent to treat

PFU: Plaque-forming units

PHN: Post herpetic neuralgia

PPI: Present pain intensity scale

QoL: Quality of life

SADLI: Substantial interference with activities of daily living

VZV: Varicella zoster virus

ZBPI: Zoster brief pain inventory

## **Additional Slides**

## **Cummulative Incidence of HZ**

**Protocol 004** 

| Through<br>year | HZ Incidence /<br>person-yrs. | 1000    | Efficacy (95% CI)  |  |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|---------|--------------------|--|
|                 | ZOSTAVAX™                     | Placebo |                    |  |
| 1               | 3.970                         | 10.527  | 62.3% (51.0, 71.0) |  |
| 2               | 4.712                         | 10.454  | 54.9% (46.3, 62.2) |  |
| 3               | 5.278                         | 10.862  | 51.4% (43.9, 57.9) |  |

### **Determination of HZ**

#### **Protocol 004**

|                    | ZOSTAVAX   |               | Placebo    |               |
|--------------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
|                    | Evaluable  | Non-Evaluable | Evaluable  | Non-Evaluable |
|                    | N (%)      | N (%)         | N (%)      | N (%)         |
| Total              | 316 (67.7) | 151 (32.3)    | 644 (80.6) | 155 (19.4)    |
| PCR VZV+           | 295 (63.2) |               | 602 (75.3) |               |
| PCR VZV            |            | 88 (18.8)     |            | 91 (11.4)     |
| PCR HSV+           |            | 23 (4.9)      |            | 21 (2.6)      |
| PCR VZV+ / HSV+    |            |               |            | 1 (0.1)       |
| Viral Culture VZV+ | 2 (0.4)    |               | 8 (1.0)    |               |
| Viral Culture HSV+ |            | 1 (0.20)      |            |               |
| HZ by CEC early    | 19 (4.1)   |               | 34 (4.3)   |               |
| HZ by CEC late     |            | 3 (0.6)       |            | 4 (0.5)       |
| Non-HZ by CEC      |            | 36 (7.7)      |            | 36 (4.5)      |

Early: seen during rash stage (crusted vesicles or earlier)

Late: seen beyond crusting stage

# **Lot Consistency**

#### **Protocol 004**

- 6 clinical lots, accelerated aged
  - Paired clinical lots derived from same parental lot
  - Data pooled from each pair of aged lots
- Clinical EPs
  - HZ BOI
  - Incidence of PHN
  - Incidence of HZ
- No apparent differences reported by sponsor
- Relatively wide CI for incidence of PHN due to few cases per clinical lot.