Vaccine Safety Datalink Project: Review of MMRV and Febrile Seizures Study

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Outline

- Review preliminary results from the Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD) study evaluating the risk for confirmed febrile seizures in children aged 12–23 months following receipt of MMRV dose 1
 - Data presented by Dr. Klein during February 28, 2008 ACIP meeting
- Summarize preliminary data on risk for seizures in children aged 4–6 years at one VSD site





Vaccine Safety Datalink

Collaboration between CDC and 8 managed care organizations 8.8 million members captured annually (3% of US population)



Vaccine Safety Datalink Rapid Cycle Analysis (RCA)

- Conducted near real-time surveillance for <u>specified</u> outcomes during the 0–42 days following MMRV vaccine in 7 VSD sites (excluding SCK)
- Study population children aged 12-23 months
 - 1st Seizure of any etiology in 42 day period
 - ICD-9 codes: 345.* (epilepsy), 780.3* (convulsions, febrile convulsions, other convulsions)
 - Limited to: emergency department or a hospitalization visit
 - Other outcomes monitored
 - Ataxia
 - Meningitis/ encephalitis
 - Thrombocytopenia

ArthritisAllergic reaction





Vaccine Safety Datalink RCA (cont)

- A signal for seizures was detected in the 0–42 day period following MMRV compared with historical rates in MMR recipients
- Temporal scan statistics found significant clustering of seizure cases on days 7–10 after
 - MMRV vaccination
 - MMR and varicella vaccination (MMR+V) on the same day
- These two findings prompted an epidemiologic study in VSD to assess the risk for febrile seizures during days 7–10 after MMRV vaccination





VSD MMRV Follow Up Epidemiologic Study

- Study population: children aged 12–23 months who received MMRV or MMR+V
 - MMRV: contemporary cohort, 1/2006–8/2007
 - MMR+V: a largely historical cohort, 1/2000-8/2007
 - Dose 1 only
- Charts were reviewed for children with seizures during the 7–10 day post-vaccination period
 - For confirmation of febrile seizures
 - Diagnosis in the chart of a febrile seizure associated with an emergency department or a hospitalization visit





Risk for Confirmed Febrile Seizure During Days 7-10 After Vaccination: MMRV vs. MMR+V

- Unadjusted rate of febrile seizures 7–10 days following dose 1
 - 9 per 10,000 vaccinations among MMRV recipients
 - 4 per 10,000 vaccinations among MMR+V recipients

Logistic regression - adjusted for age and influenza season

	Odds ratio	95% Confidence Interval	P-value
MMRV versus MMR + V	2.3	1.6, 3.2	<0.0001

- N=43,353 for MMRV (40 febrile seizures, days 7-10)
- N=314,599 for MMR + V (128 febrile seizures, days 7-10)





Attributable Risk for Confirmed Febrile Seizure During 7–10 Days After Vaccination: MMRV vs. MMR+V • Attributable Risk for MMRV compared to MMR+V 5.2/10,000 (95% CI 2.2, 8.1)

For every 10,000 children who receive MMRV instead of separate MMR+V, there will be approximately 5 additional febrile seizures 7–10 days after vaccination

 Inverse of the above attributable risk for MMRV compared to MMR+V in the 7–10 day window (Number Needed to Harm)

1,923 (95% CI 1,235, 4,545)



There will be 1 additional febrile seizure 7–10 days postvaccination for approximately every 2000 children vaccinated with MMRV instead of MMR+V



Rates of Post-vaccination Unconfirmed Seizures Among Children Aged 4–6 Years

Post- vaccination Interval	MMRV Seizure Rate (frequency)	MMR+V Seizure Rate (frequency)
<u>7–10 days</u>	0.7 per 10,000 (4 per 56,535)	0 per 10,000 (0 per 44,836)
<u>0–42 days</u>	2.5 per 10,000 (14 per 56,535)	2.0 per 10,000 (9 per 44,836)

Data from the Northern California Kaiser Permanente VSD site (1995-2008); seizures identified from automated data without chart review



Children Aged 12-23 Months

- RCA surveillance detected a seizure signal following MMRV, clustering 7-10 days after vaccination
- Adjusted odds ratio is 2.3 for having a confirmed febrile seizure 7-10 days post-MMRV compared to MMR+V
- The increased risk with MMRV cannot be explained by other factors:
 - Simultaneous vaccination, temporal trends in seizures, VSD site, age or influenza season
- Attributable risk for febrile seizures on days 7–10 after MMRV is 1 per approximately 2000 doses when compared to separate MMR+V

Children Aged 4-6 Years

- Current VSD analysis conducted at one site using automated data
 - Seizure events were rare 7-10 days after MMRV



Current analysis has limited power to assess the risk of seizures after
MMRV



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Additional Slides





Logistic Regression Analysis, Automated Data: Risk of Seizure 7–10 days after MMRV Compared with MMR+V, children aged 12–23 months

	Odds ratio*	95% Confidence Interval	P-value
MMRV versus MMR + V	2.0	1.4, 2.8	<0.0001

*Adjusted for age and influenza season.

None of the following influenced the association between MMRV and seizures: Sex, VSD site, concomitant vaccines and seizure temporal trends.



N for MMRV = 43,356, MMR + V = 314,625

