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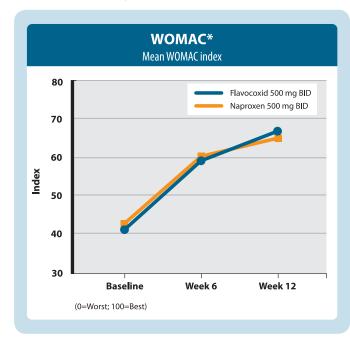
... for the Dietary Management of Osteoarthritis

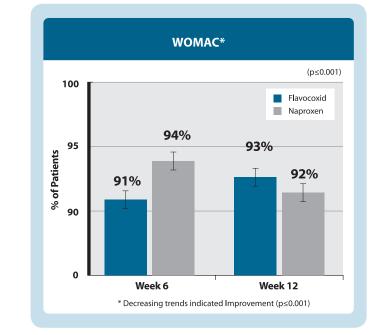




## The Efficacy of an NSAID with a Superior GI Safety Profile

### Limbrel has been shown in clinical trials to have the efficacy of naproxen with a superior GI safety profile





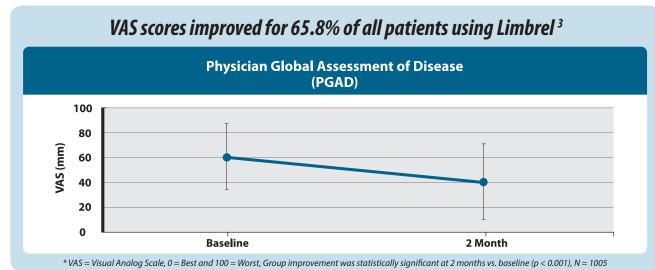
Double-blind, multicenter, comparator trial shows that Limbrel works as well as naproxen in managing knee osteoarthritis <sup>1</sup> 93% of Limbrel patients showed significant management of OA by WOMAC Index <sup>1</sup>

 ${\rm *WOMAC\,{=}\,Western\,Ontario\,and\,McMaster's\,University\,Osteoarthritis\,Index}$ 

STUDY DESCRIPTION: 220 subjects with moderate to severe knee osteoarthritis participated in a 12-week multicenter, randomized, double-blind, comparator trial using Limbrel 50 mg BID and naproxen 500 mg BID.

### GOAL: Gauging OA with Limbrel

A post market, multi-center real world survey of more than 1000 patients using Limbrel



Study Description: GOAL open label survey conducted at 41 multi-center, rheumatology practices. Patients with osteoarthritis (OA) of any joint (n=1067) were administered Limbrel 500 mg BID for 60 days. Patients who had used NSAIDs and/or gastro protective medication were not excluded from the study.



- Dual modulator of COX-1 and COX-2 with activity on 5-LOX
  - · Effectively manages inflammation and increases functional mobility
  - · Minimizes overall side effects
  - · Critical for long-term GI safety
- Clinically shown to be equal to naproxen

### Highlights of Limbrel safety profile:

- Limbrel has been clinically shown to have a superior GI safety profile for OA patients
- Preclinical CYP450 inhibition studies suggest no major drug interaction <sup>2,5,6</sup>
- No black box warning
- Limbrel may take up to 2-4 weeks of use to see initial result and up to 6-8 weeks for optimal results
- ▶ LD50: >5000 mg/kg po (rat)<sup>91</sup>



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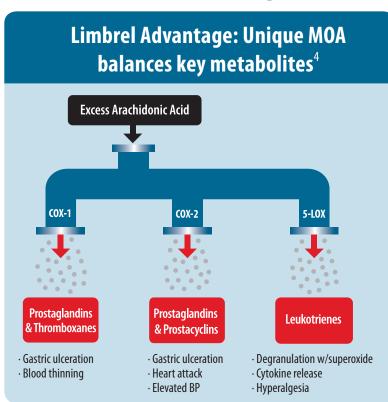
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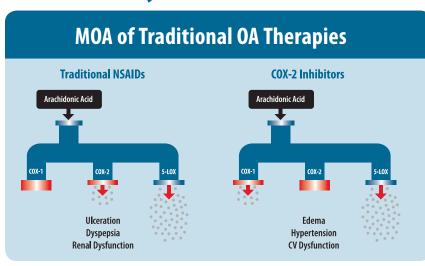


### Limbrel provides a safer, broader-spectrum inhibition of the COX-1, COX-2 and 5-LOX pathways making it a long-term solution for patients with Osteoarthritis



- Limbrel is currently the only prescription product that has any activity on 5-LOX
- Flavocoxid (500mg BID) showed statistically fewer upper GI adverse events compared to naproxen (500mg BID) over a 12-week period <sup>1</sup>
- Flavocoxid also had better overall tolerability in previously NSAID GIintolerant patients over an 8-week administration and a reduction or cessation in gastroprotective medication use in these same patients <sup>1</sup>

### NSAIDs and COX-2 inhibitors completely block the COX-1 and COX-2 enzymes, which can lead to dangerous side effects

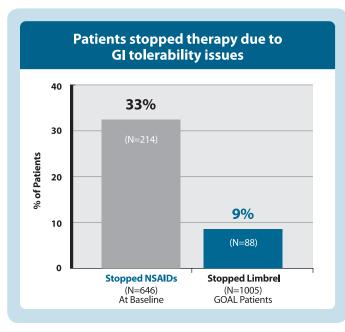


Traditional OA therapies block COX-1 and COX-2 enzyme conversion of arachidonic acid (AA), which results in shunting excess AA metabolism down other pathways<sup>1</sup>. All NSAIDs have characteristic as well as overlapping side effects.

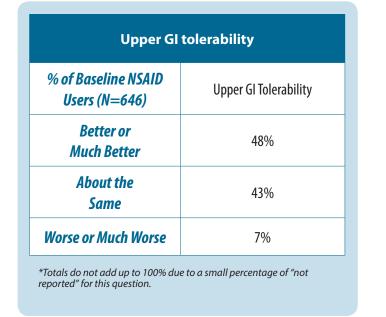
### Limbrel delivers excellent safety profile without compromising efficacy

COX Selectivity	Safety Implications	
flavocoxid	<b>Dual Inhibition of COX and LOX:</b> • Minimal side effects overall	· Strengthened GI safety profile
COX-1	Traditional NSAID Inhibition:  · Gl ulcers  · Renal toxicity	· Blood thinning · Elevated hypertension
COX-2	COX-2 Selective Inhibition:  · Cardiovascular events  · Elevated hypertension	· Renal toxicity · GI ulcers (from chronic use)

### World Health Organization (WHO) claims 30 million patients in the US are affected with NSAID induced gastrophy 8

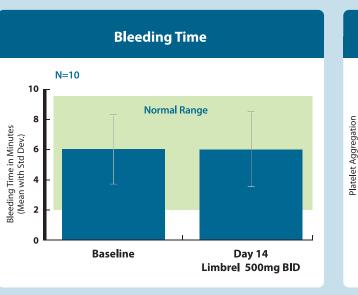


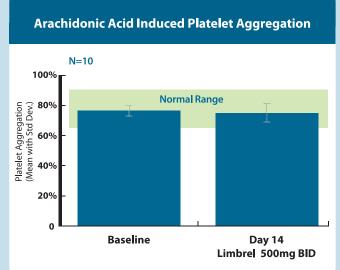
Limbrel was tolerated in 90% of patients with a prior history of NSAID induced GI events <sup>3</sup>



48% of patients who had GI problems on NSAIDs tolerated Limbrel better <sup>3</sup>

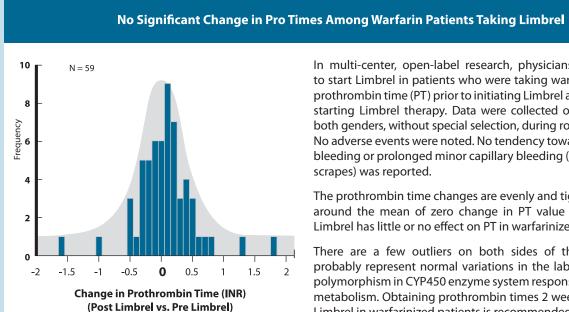
### No effect on platelet function – confirmed in human study 7





#### Limbrel has little or no effect on Pro Times in patients taking warfarin 7

Routine check of Pro Time 2 weeks after starting Limbrel is recommended



In multi-center, open-label research, physicians who intended to start Limbrel in patients who were taking warfarin obtained a prothrombin time (PT) prior to initiating Limbrel and 2 weeks after starting Limbrel therapy. Data were collected on 59 patients of both genders, without special selection, during routine office calls. No adverse events were noted. No tendency toward spontaneous bleeding or prolonged minor capillary bleeding (i.e. minor cuts or scrapes) was reported.

The prothrombin time changes are evenly and tightly distributed around the mean of zero change in PT value suggesting that Limbrel has little or no effect on PT in warfarinized patients.

There are a few outliers on both sides of the mean. These probably represent normal variations in the lab test, or genetic polymorphism in CYP450 enzyme system responsible for warfarin metabolism. Obtaining prothrombin times 2 weeks after starting Limbrel in warfarinized patients is recommended.

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