# Perception of XTAMPZA® ER and other Abuse-Deterrent Opioid Formulations

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### INTRODUCTION

- The Web Monitoring Program from the Researched Abuse, Diversion and Addiction-Related Surveillance (RADARS®) System collects information on drug use and abuse via surveillance of internet postings.
- Internet anonymity allows posters to reveal patient experiences that might not otherwise be captured in traditional epidemiological studies.
- XTAMPZA® ER is an extended-release (ER), abuse-deterrent formulation (ADF) oxycodone product that uses DETERx® technology designed to discourage manipulation for purposes of abuse.

## **METHODS**

The universe of public websites on the internet (over 150,000,000 websites) were scraped to find online posts made from 2018-2019.

- Included posts must mention 1) an explicit product name, or 2) tablet/capsule formulations along with ER vs immediate-release (IR) information
- Sentiment is defined as the dominating view or opinion of a drug within the
  post. Qualitative research methods were used to categorize posts as negative,
  positive, or neutral sentiment, including 3 subtypes.
  - Positive sentiments: 1) Promote therapeutic benefit, 2) Discourage abuse, 3) Refer to the product in another positive way
  - Negative sentiments: 1) Discourage therapeutic benefit, 2) Promote abuse, 3) Refer to the product in another negative way (e.g., side effect)
- All posts from XTAMPZA ER were coded; therefore confidence intervals (CIs) are not needed
- Due to the large volume, posts for comparators were sampled prior to coding; estimates and 95% CIs were calculated

## **DISCLOSURE**

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#### **RESULTS**

Figure 1: Overall Sentiment of XTAMPZA® ER and Comparators

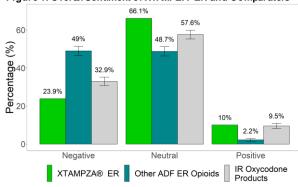
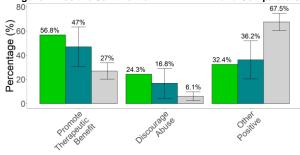


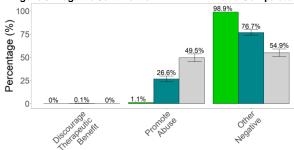
Figure 2: Positive Sentiment of XTAMPZA® ER and Comparators



# Example post discouraging abuse:

"The replacement I was referring to is Xtampza ER, which they say is an oxycodone but harder to abuse by crushing it."

Figure 3: Negative Sentiment of XTAMPZA® ER and Comparators



# Example post for other negative:

"He switched to Xtampza, which caused extreme nausea and vomiting."

# **CONCLUSIONS**

- Overall, sentiment of XTAMPZA ER was more positive and less negative than other ADF ER opioids
- Nearly zero promotion of abuse of XTAMPZA ER on the web, unlike other ADF ER opioids or IR oxycodone
- There was more discouragement of abuse of XTAMPZA ER than IR oxycodone products

## **LIMITATIONS**

- Some websites (e.g., Facebook, Bluelight) prohibit public web scraping, and these sites could include important information not captured here
- Categorization of posts was limited to what individuals divulge, and therefore some posts might not be included because key information (e.g., formulation) is missing
- Results were from 2018-2019, and patterns might change over time