

새로운 폐경생식비뇨기증후군 치료제: Ospemifene



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Genitourinary syndrome of menopause

- High concentrations of **estrogen receptors**:
 - Vagina, Vulva, Vestibule, Labia majora/minora, Bladder trigone
- Estrogen loss at postmenopausal women
 - Decrease in vaginal lactobacilli, increase in pH
 - Vulvovaginal dysfunction
 - Genitourinary symptoms

Genitourinary symptoms

- Dryness
- Burning
- Pruritus
- Pressure sense
- Dyspareunia
- Prolapse
- *Urinary symptoms*

Menopause for 7 years

Urinary frequency for 3 months

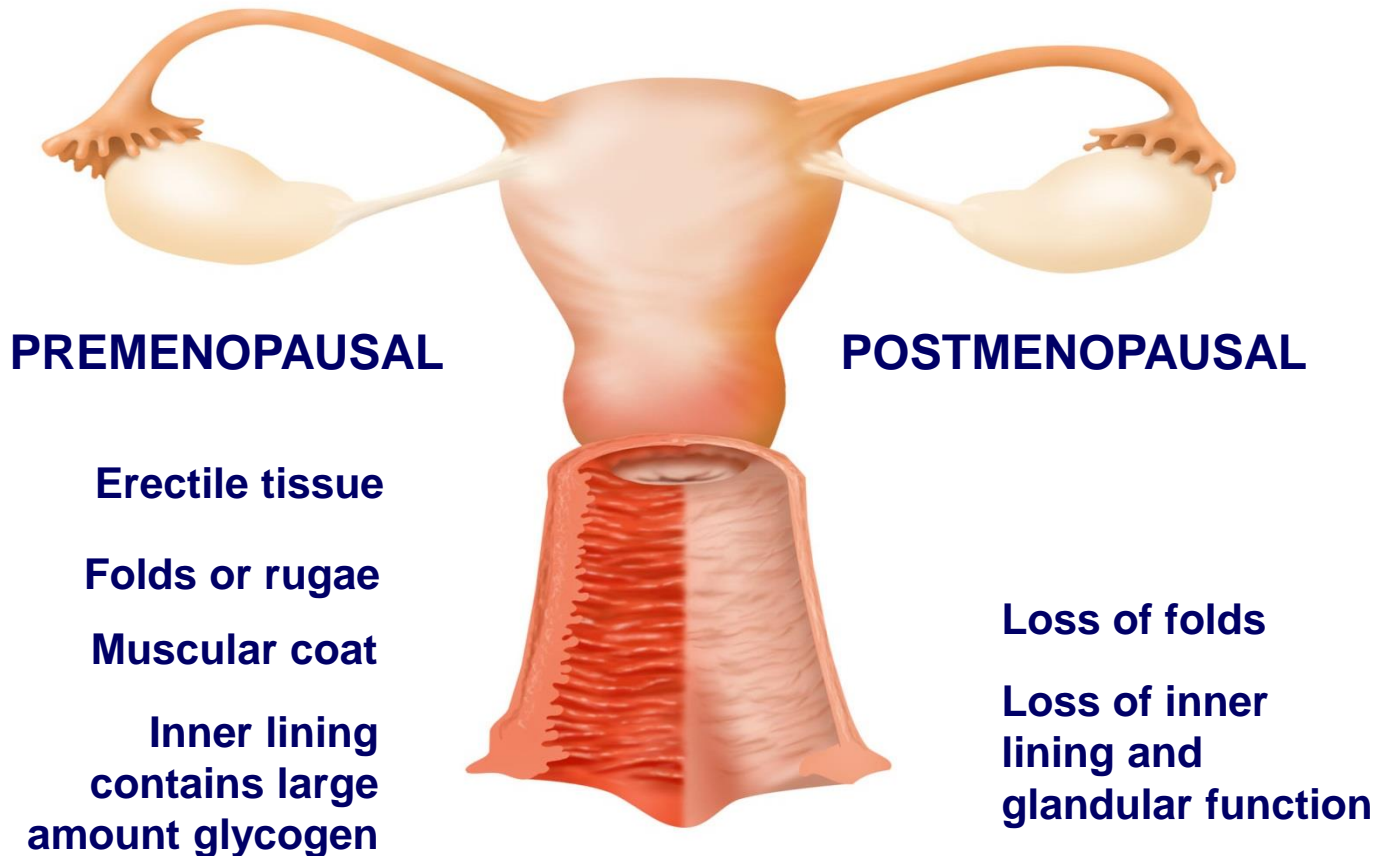
Urology clinic for 1 month with intermittent anti-biotics

3' center evaluation for UT abnormalities

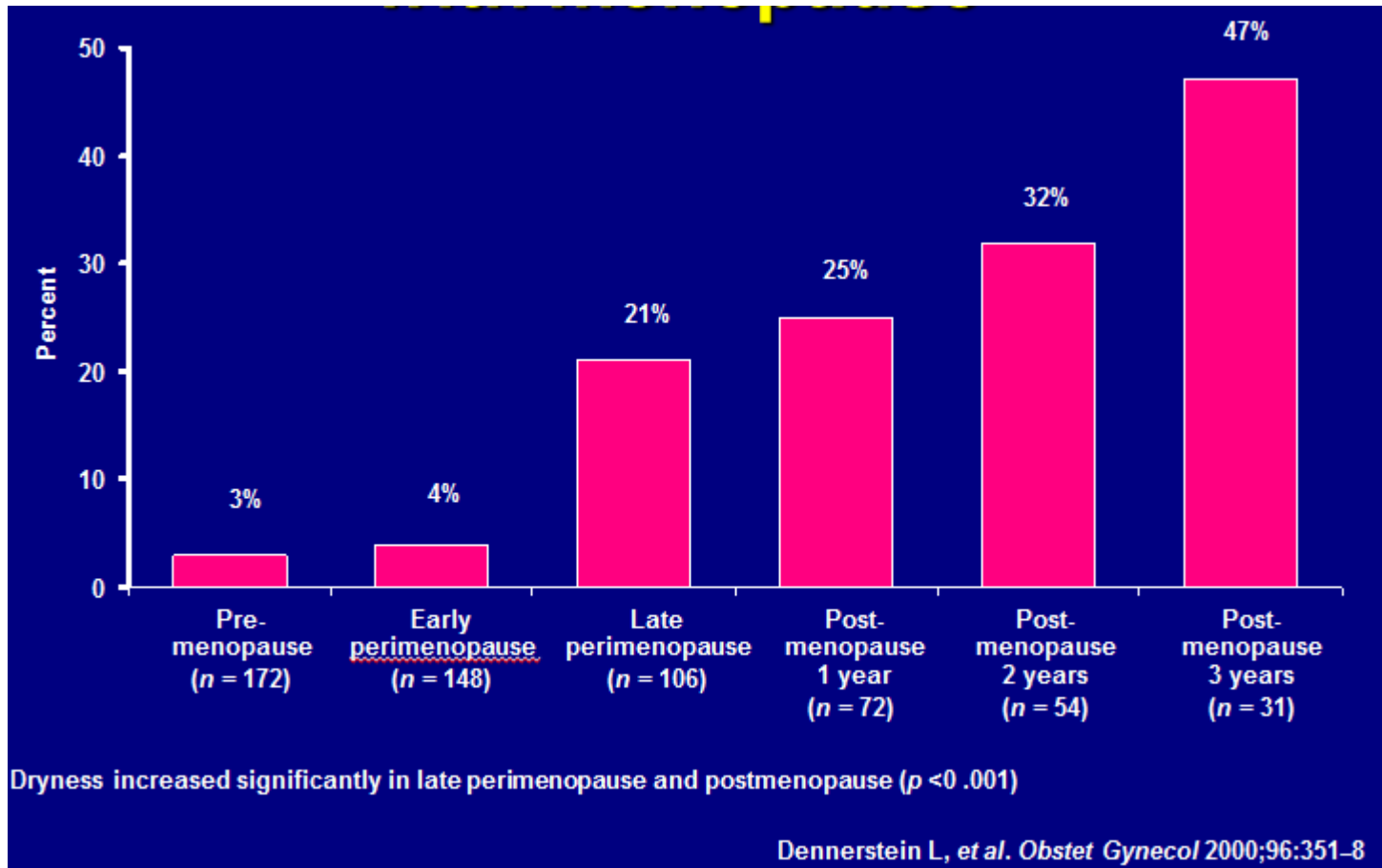
UA RBC trace

→topical estrogen relief of Sx

Postmenopausal changes in the vaginal epithelium



Increase in vaginal dryness with menopause



Treatment

- Lifestyle modification:
 - Avoid smoking, BMI < 27 kg/m², physical exercise, Sexual activity, Vaginal dilators
- Vaginal moisturizers:
 - Primarily used to relieve vaginal dryness during intercourse
 - Do not provide a long-term solution

Treatment<Hormonal, local>

- A 2006 Cochrane review
 - 37 clinical trials, 19 RCT of estrogenic preparations administered intravaginally in 4162 postmenopausal women, at least 3 mo
 - Effectiveness: creams, pessaries, tablets and estradiol vaginal rings equally effective in relieving symptoms
 - Suggested for women solely with vaginal atrophy syndromes(Grade 1B)

Treatment<Hormonal, local>

Table 1 Estrogens for topical use: maintenance dose

| <i>Compound</i> | <i>Presentation</i> | <i>Dose</i> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Estriol | ovules | <i>Initiation dose:</i> 0.5 µg/day |
| | vaginal cream | for 2 weeks |
| | vaginal gel | <i>Maintenance dose:</i> 50 µg/g daily for 3 weeks, then every 72 h |
| Estriol | ovules | 0.5 µg twice a week |
| | vaginal cream | 0.5 µg twice a week |
| | vaginal gel | 50 µg twice a week |
| Promestriene | vaginal cream | 10 µg twice a week |
| 17β-Estradiol | vaginal tablets | 10 µg twice a week |
| | vaginal ring | 6.5–9.5 µg/day |
| Conjugated equine estrogens | vaginal cream | 0.312 µg twice a week |

Treatment<Hormonal, local>

- A 2006 Cochrane review
 - Safety analysis in 14 clinical trials
 - CEE cream: adverse effects on uterine bleeding, breast and perineal pain
 - All preparations associated with vaginal irritation, itching, or increased vaginal discharge

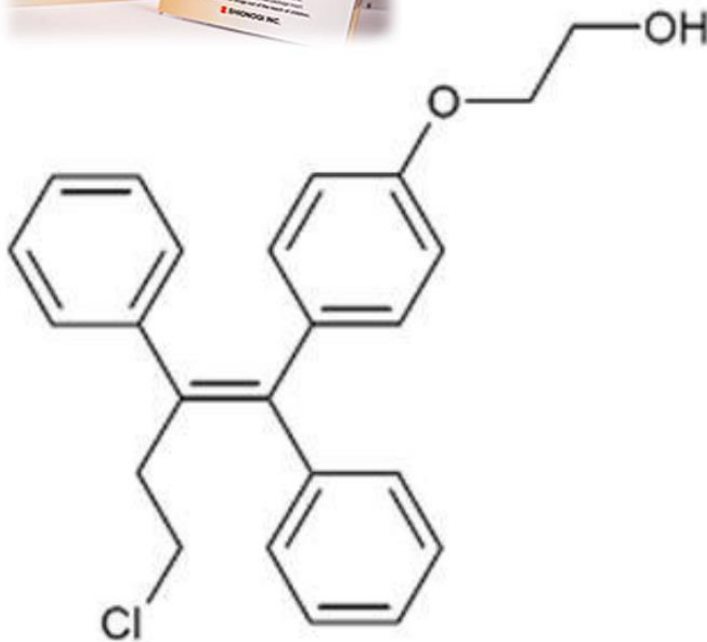
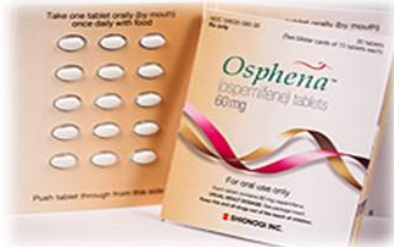
Treatment<Hormonal, local>

- Progestin
 - Not routinely treated with low-dosed vaginal estrogen ring or insert, or minidose of conjugated estrogen cream
 - Recommended for patients treated with higher doses of conjugated estrogens cream or any dose of estradiol cream(Grade 2C)

폐경생식비뇨기증후군에 새로운 제제가 필요한가?

- Not effective with restricted dose of transvaginal estrogen
- Low compliance with vaginal insertion
 - irritation, itching, or increased vaginal discharge
- Problems encountered with transvaginal administration
 - POP, irritation, previous surgery

Ospemifene



- Ospemifene: Selective estrogen receptor modulator(SERM)
 - estrogen agonist/antagonist
 - peak serum concentration after 2h
 - half-life 26h
- 60mg **po** daily tablet

Treatment<Ospemifene>

- Ospemifene: Selective estrogen receptor modulator(SERM)
- - Agonist in vagina, with no significant effect on endometrium and breast
 - *Moderate to severe dyspareunia*
 - Suggested for women who cannot(severe arthritis, obesity, vulvodynia) or prefer not to use vaginal product(Grade 2B)

Treatment < Ospemifene >

- INDICATION:
 - Treatment of moderate to severe symptomatic vulvovaginal atrophy in postmenopausal women who are not candidates for local vaginal oestrogen therapy
 - FDA approved in 2013

The Evidence



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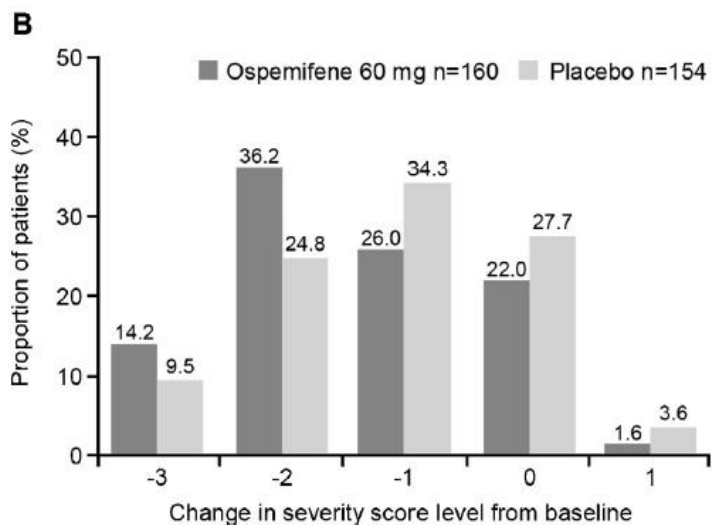
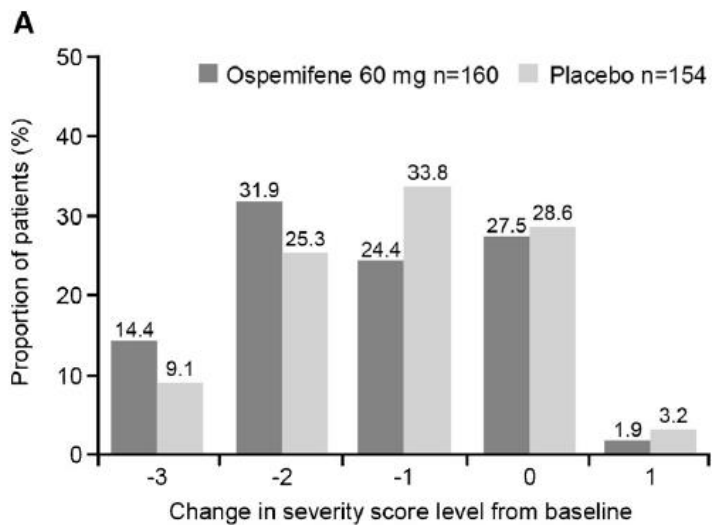
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Endometrial thickness of patients with an intact uterus (ITT population).

| Variable | Ospemifene 60 mg | Placebo |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Baseline | | |
| Number of patients | 67 | 74 |
| Mean (SD), mm | 2.21 (0.70) | 2.33 (0.85) |
| Week 12 | | |
| Number of patients | 51 | 58 |
| Mean (SD), mm | 2.95 (1.78) | 2.20 (1.06) |
| Change from baseline to Week 12 | | |
| Number of patients | 51 | 57 ^a |
| Mean (SD), mm | 0.82 (1.68) | -0.11 (1.20) |
| Endometrial thickness ≥ 5 mm at Week 12 | 3 | 1 |
| Endometrial thickness ≥ 8 mm at Week 12 | 2 | 0 |

Ospemifene *may* thicken endometrium

Table 2
Change from baseline for the ITT and PP population for parabasal cells, superficial cells, vaginal pH and severity scores for vaginal dryness as the most bothersome symptom at Week 12/LOCF.

| Change from baseline in: | ITT population | | | PP population | | |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | Ospemifene 60 mg | Placebo | p value [*] | Ospemifene 60 mg (n = 127) | Placebo (n = 137) | p value [*] |
| % Parabasal cells (LS mean \pm SE) | -31.7 \pm 2.11 | -3.9 \pm 2.18 | p < 0.001 | -36.6 \pm 2.39 | -4.7 \pm 2.28 | p < 0.001 |
| % Superficial cells (median [min, max]) | 7.0 (-4, 65) | 0.0 (-11, 57) | p < 0.001 | 8.0 (-4, 65) | 0.0 (-5, 57) | p < 0.001 |
| Vaginal pH (LS mean \pm SE) | -0.95 \pm 0.067 | -0.25 \pm 0.068 | p < 0.001 | -0.99 \pm 0.078 | -0.23 \pm 0.075 | p < 0.001 |
| Severity of vaginal dryness (mean \pm SD) | -1.3 \pm 1.08 | -1.1 \pm 1.02 | p = 0.080 | -1.4 \pm 1.03 | -1.1 \pm 1.03 | p = 0.014 |

LS, least squares; SD, standard deviation; SE, standard error.

The clinical relevance of the effect of ospemifene on symptoms of vulvar and vaginal atrophy

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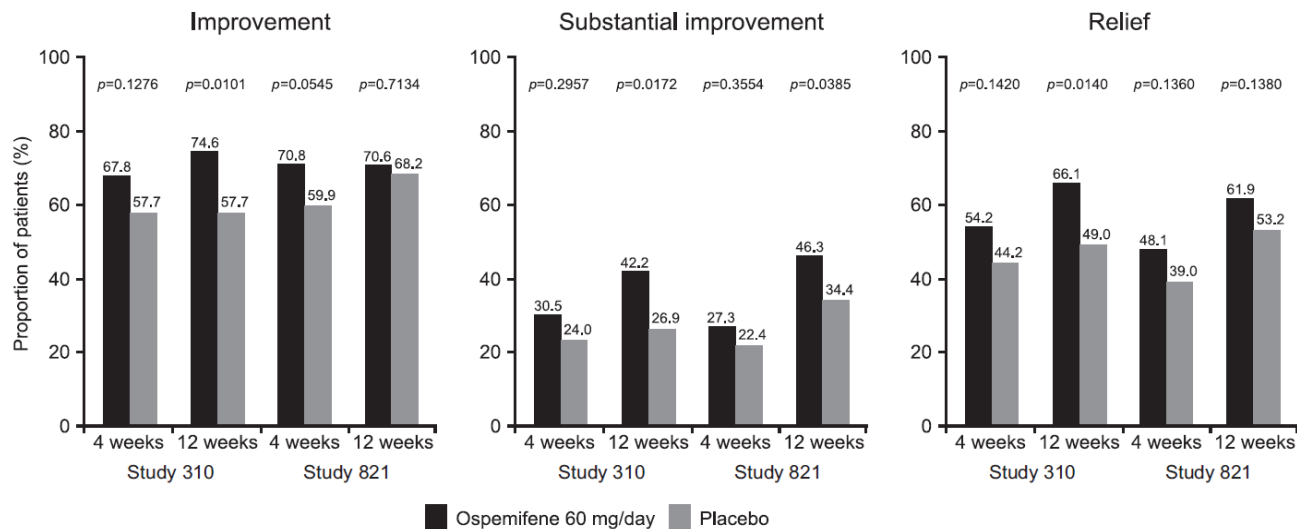


Figure 2 Clinically relevant differences based on the most bothersome symptom of vaginal dryness in Study 310 ($n = 222$) and Study 821 ($n = 214$) (ITT, LOCF). ITT, intent to treat; LOCF, last observation carried forward. p Values for treatment comparisons (ospemifene 60 mg/day vs. placebo) from Fisher's exact two-sided test

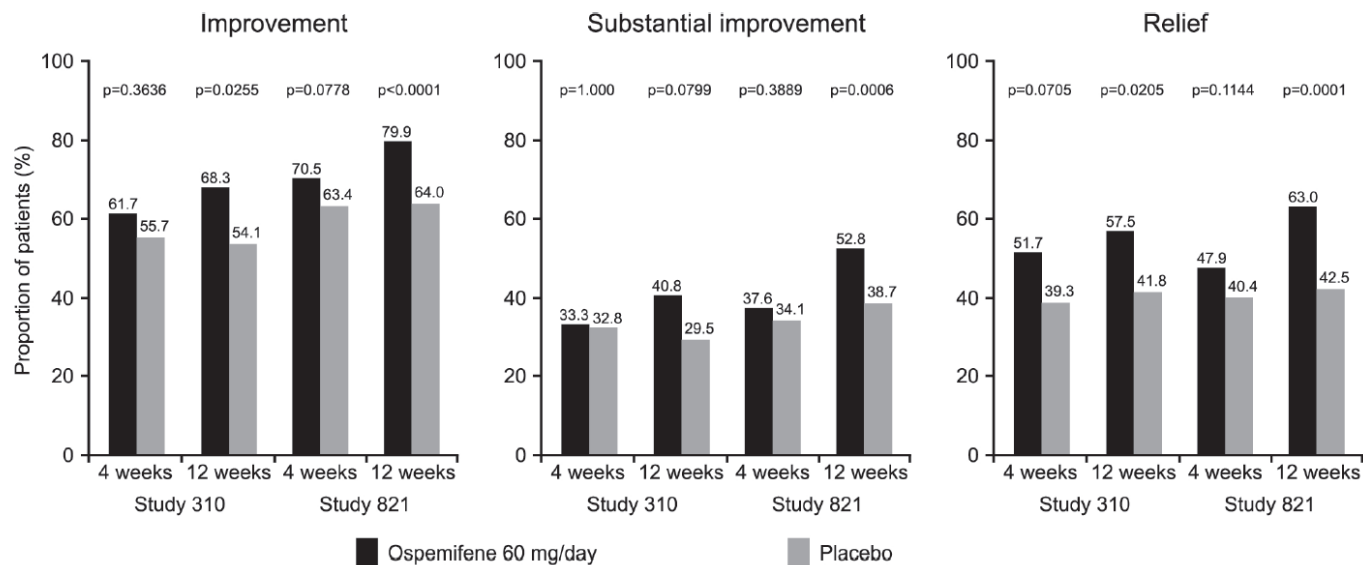


Figure 3 Clinically relevant differences based on the most bothersome symptom of dyspareunia in Study 310 ($n = 242$) and Study 821 ($n = 105$) (ITT, LOCF). ITT, intent to treat; LOCF, last observation carried forward. p Values for treatment comparisons (ospemifene 60 mg/day vs. placebo) from Fisher's exact two-sided test

Other potential impact

- BMD
 - Phase II clinical study, ospemifene decreased bone resorption, compatible with actions of raloxifene (*Qu et al. 1999, 2000*)

Safety: Breast

- Acts as an estrogen antagonist in animal models of breast cancer
- In clinical trials
 - no adverse effects on the breast and mammograms performed after 52 weeks
(Simon et al. 2013)

Safety: Endometrium

- In a phase III trial
 - 12weeks 30 mg/60 mg/placebo
 - Minimal change in the endometrial thickness, and their endometrial
- Biopsy: no cases of endometrial hyperplasia or carcinoma
- Extension studies
 - no significant endometrial changes up to 1 year

Safety: Lipid profile

- Ospemifene vs Placebo (*Ylikorkala et al. 2003*)
 - Non-significant decrease in
 - T. cholesterol and LDL
 - Non-significant increase in HDL, TG
- Vs Raloxifene (*Komi et al. 2005*)
 - Comparable decrease in LDL
 - Non-significant increase in TG

****90mg dose**

Contraindications

- Unexplained vaginal bleeding
- Hormone sensitive cancer
- Thromboembolic event
- Coronary/Cerebrovascular event
- Pregnancy not ruled out

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