

Treat moderate to severe Vasomotor Symptoms (VMS) due to menopause, commonly referred to as hot flashes and night sweats<sup>1,2</sup>



# FIGHT the FIRE

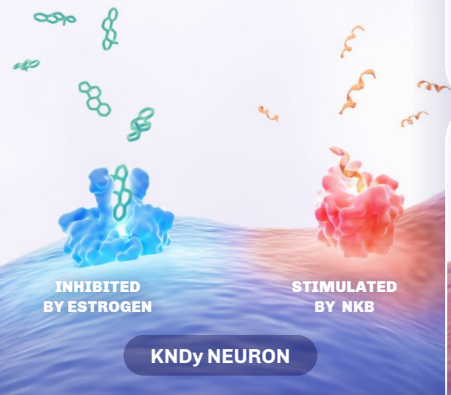
## WITH NONHORMONAL VEOZAH

VEOZAH™ (fezolinetant) is a first-in-class selective neurokinin 3 receptor (NK3R) antagonist that works differently to directly block neurokinin B (NKB), a known trigger of VMS, from binding on the KNDy neuron.<sup>1,3,4</sup>

### HOW VMS STARTS IN THE HYPOTHALAMUS

#### Thermoregulatory homeostasis

KNDy neurons in the hypothalamus are inhibited by estrogen and stimulated by the neuropeptide NKB. This balance contributes to **body temperature regulation**.<sup>3</sup>



#### Impact of NKB

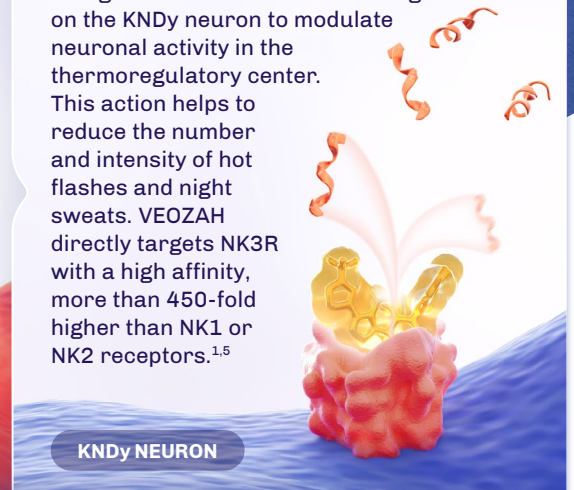
Estrogen decline during the menopause transition disrupts this balance with NKB. **Unopposed, NKB signaling** causes heightened KNDy neuronal activity. This **triggers heat dissipation mechanisms**, including vasodilation and sweating—VMS.<sup>3</sup>



### HOW VEOZAH DISRUPTS HOT FLASHES

#### VEOZAH inhibits binding of NKB to NK3R

**VEOZAH** is a nonhormonal selective NK3R antagonist that **blocks NKB** binding on the KNDy neuron to modulate neuronal activity in the thermoregulatory center. This action helps to reduce the number and intensity of hot flashes and night sweats. VEOZAH directly targets NK3R with a high affinity, more than 450-fold higher than NK1 or NK2 receptors.<sup>1,5</sup>



ESTROGEN



ESTROGEN ALPHA RECEPTOR



NKB



NK3 RECEPTOR

KNDy=kisspeptin/neurokinin B/dynorphin.

Watch the mechanism of action of VEOZAH at [VEOZAHhcp.com/MOAVideo](https://veozahhcp.com/MOAVideo)

### INDICATIONS AND USAGE

VEOZAH™ (fezolinetant) is a neurokinin 3 (NK3) receptor antagonist indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe vasomotor symptoms due to menopause.

### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

#### CONTRAINDICATIONS

VEOZAH is contraindicated in women with any of the following:

- Known cirrhosis
- Severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease
- Concomitant use with CYP1A2 inhibitors

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**VEOZAH™**  
(fezolinetant) tablets 45mg

A NONHORMONAL OPTION FOR PATIENTS WITH MODERATE TO SEVERE VASOMOTOR SYMPTOMS (VMS) DUE TO MENOPAUSE<sup>1,5</sup>

# REDEFINE *how* YOU TARGET VMS

VEOZAH directly targets a source of VMS — kisspeptin/neurokinin B/dynorphin (KNDy) neurons in the hypothalamus. Give your patients another way to treat the heat day and night.<sup>1</sup>



*Block*  
THE BINDING  
OF NKB

*Reduce*  
KNDy NEURONAL  
ACTIVITY

*Balance*  
THERMOREGULATORY  
ACTIVITY

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

#### Hepatic Transaminase Elevation

Elevations in serum transaminase [alanine aminotransferase (ALT) and/or aspartate aminotransferase (AST)] levels > 3x the upper limit of normal (ULN) occurred in 2.3% of women receiving VEOZAH and 0.9% of women receiving placebo in three clinical trials. No serum elevations in total bilirubin (> 2x ULN) occurred. Women with ALT or AST elevations were generally asymptomatic. Transaminase levels returned to pretreatment levels (or close to these) without sequelae with dose continuation, and upon dose interruption, or discontinuation. Women with cirrhosis were not studied.

Perform baseline bloodwork to evaluate for hepatic function and injury prior to VEOZAH initiation. Do not start VEOZAH if concentration of ALT or AST is  $\geq 2x$  ULN or if the total bilirubin is elevated (e.g.,  $\geq 2x$  ULN) for the evaluating laboratory. If baseline hepatic transaminase evaluation is < 2x ULN and the total bilirubin is normal, VEOZAH can be started. Perform follow-up evaluations of hepatic transaminase concentration at 3 months, 6 months, and 9 months after initiation of therapy and when symptoms (such as nausea, vomiting, or yellowing of the skin or eyes) suggest liver injury.

### ADVERSE REACTIONS

The most common adverse reactions with VEOZAH  $\geq 2\%$  and > placebo (VEOZAH % vs. placebo %) are: abdominal pain (4.3% vs. 2.1%), diarrhea (3.9% vs. 2.6%), insomnia (3.9% vs. 1.8%), back pain (3.0% vs. 2.1%), hot flush (2.5% vs. 1.6%), and hepatic transaminase elevation (2.3% vs. 0.8%).

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