## Bispecific T-Cell Engagers: One BITE with Lots to Swallow

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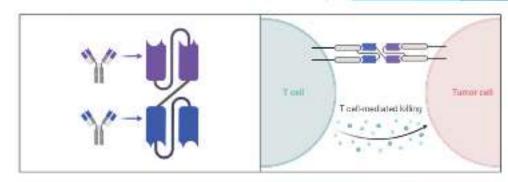
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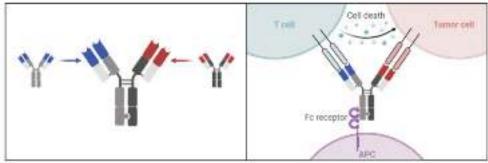
#### **Objectives**

- Review pharmacology, clinical data, and place in therapy for FDA-approved bispecific T-cell engager therapies
- Evaluate safety data and adverse event management for each agent
- Discuss key operational and administration logistics with each agent
- Assess factors for a safe and effective implementation into clinical practice

#### What are bispecific T-cell engagers?

- Bispecific antibodies or fragments designed with 2 antigen-binding domains
  - Two different tumor-associated antigens
  - Two immune-related molecules
  - One tumor-associated antigen and one immune-related molecule
- Readily available compared to CAR-T
- Side effect profiles include cytokine release syndrome (CRS) and immune effector cell associated neurotoxicity syndrome (ICANS)





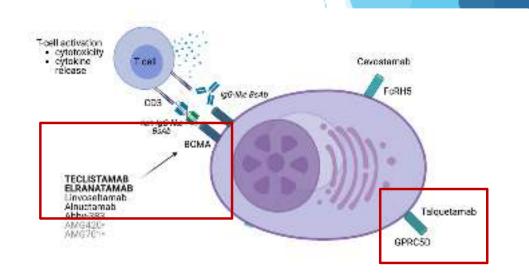
## Bispecific T-Cell Engagers in Multiple Myeloma

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#### Overview of bispecifics in myeloma

	Teclistamab (Tec)	Elranatamab (Elra)	Talquetamab (Tal)
Approval Date	10/2022	8/2023	8/2023
Target	BCMA/CD3	BCMA/CD3	GPRC5D/CD3
Indication	4 or more prior lines including proteasome inhibitor, immunomodulatory drug, and anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody		

BCMA: b-cell maturation antigen



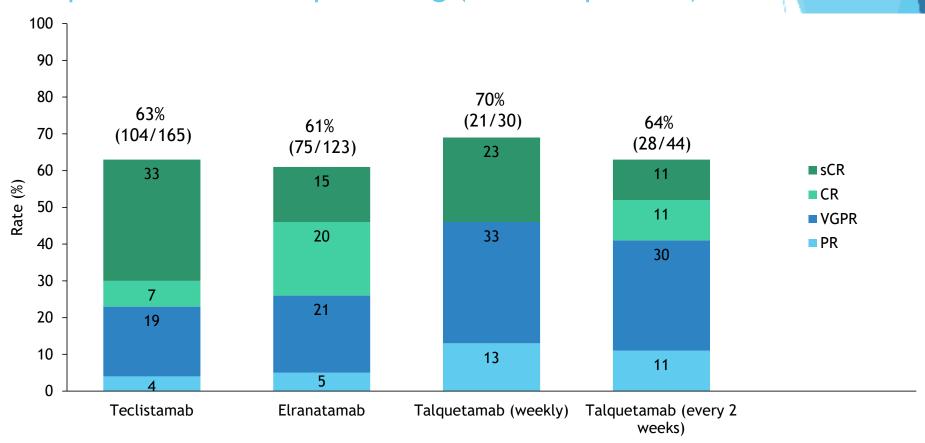
#### Key trial characteristics

- Single-arm phase 1-2 studies
- Differences in design and population limits cross trial comparisons

	Tec (n=165)	Elra (n=123)	Tal (n=130)
Age, years, median (range)	64 (33-84)	68 (36-89)	64 (39-84)
Extramedullary disease	28%	39%	42%
High risk cytogenetics	26%	26%	16%
Required prior therapies	At least 3 lines, triple-class exposed	Triple-class refractory	Refractory/intolerant to established therapies including PI and IMID
Prior lines, n, median (range)	5 (2-14)	5 (2-22)	6 (2-17)
Penta-drug refractory	30%	42%	25%

PI: proteosome inhibitor | IMID: immunomodulatory drug | triple-class: IMID, PI, anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody | penta-drug: 2 IMIDs, 2 PIs, anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody | EMD: extramedullary disease

#### Response rates were promising (and comparable)



 $sCR: stringent\ complete\ response\ |\ VCR:\ very\ good\ partial\ response\ |\ PR:\ partial\ response$ 

Moreau P, et al. N Engl J Med. 2022;387(6):495-505. | Chari A, et al. N Engl J Med. 2022;387(24):2232-2244. | Lesokhin AM, et al. Nat Med. 2023;29(9):2259-2267.

#### Additional outcomes

	Tec (n=165) 22 m follow-up	Elra (n=123) 16 m follow-up	Tal-w (n=30) 12 m follow-up	Tal-2w (n=44) 12 m follow-up
Response rate (all)	63%	61%	70%	64%
EMD	36%	39%	45%	40%
>50-60% BMPC	44%	~45-50%	n/a	n/a
High risk cytogenetics	60%	~50-55%	67%	56%
Prior BCMA	Excluded	45%	50-75%	50-75%
Penta-drug exposed	60% (refractory)	46% (refractory)	83% (exposed)	78% (exposed)
Onset of response	1.2 m (Best: 3.8 m)	1.2 m (CR+: 6.1 m)	0.9 m (CR+: 9.3 m)	1.2 m (CR+: 2.3 m)
Progression-free survival	12.5 m	15-m: 50.2%	7.5 m	12 m
Duration of response	18.4 m	15-m: 71%	10.2 m	7.8 m
Overall survival	22 m	15-m: 56%	1-y: 76%	1-y: 77%

BMPC: bone marrow plasma cells | m: months | y: year

Touzeau C, et al. Hemasphere. 2023;7(Suppl ):e5955094. | Jakubowiak AJ, et al. Blood 2023; 142 (Supplement 1): 3377. | Carolina D et al. JCO 41, 8036-8036(2023). | Ajay K. Nooka et al. JCO 41, 8008-8008(2023). | Tomasson M, et al. Blood 2023; 142 (Supplement 1): 3385.

#### True or False

Talquetamab is a bispecific T-cell engager that targets CD3 and BCMA.

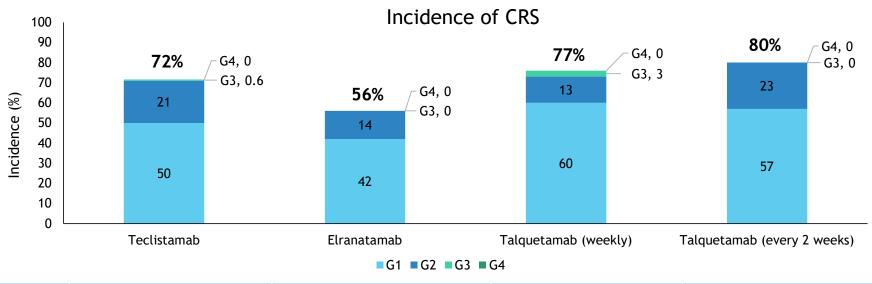
### Adverse events: CRS grading/management

	Fever	Hypotension	Hypoxia	Management
Grade 1	>38 C	None	None	Supportive care. Assess for infection. Consider tocilizumab. Consider dexamethasone. Hold further doses until resolution
Grade 2	>38 C	Not requiring vasopressors	Low-flow nasal canula or blow-by	Supportive care. Assess for infection. Give tocilizumab.
Grade 3	>38 C	Single vasopressor (Excluding vasopressin)	High-flow nasal cannula, facemask, nonrebreather, Venturi	Consider dexamethasone. If no improvement, consider methylprednisolone, siltuximab, anakinra, etc. Hold further doses
Grade 4	>38 C	Multiple vasopressors (Excluding vasopressin)	Positive pressure (CPAP, BiPAP, intubation, ventilation)	until resolution

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#### Adverse events: CRS

Mostly are low grade and occur within step-up phase



	Tec (n=165)	Elra (n=123)	Tal-w (n=30)	Tal-2w (n=44)
Onset	2 days (1-6)	2 days (1-9)	2 days (1-22)	2 days (1-5)
Duration	2 days (1-9)	2 days (1-19)	2 days (1-3)	2 days (1-5)

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#### Adverse events: ICANS grading/management

	ICE	Consciousness	Seizure	Motor	ICP elevation or cerebral edema	Management
Grade 1	7-9	Awakens spontaneously	None	None	None	Neuro workup. Supportive care. Consider dexamethasone. Consider seizure prophylaxis
Grade 2	3-6	Awakens to voice	None	None	None	Neuro workup. Supportive care. Give
Grade 3	0-2	Awakens to tactile stimulation	Clinical seizure or on EEG that resolve with intervention	None	Focal/local edema	dexamethasone. Consider methylprednisolone
Grade 4	0	Unarousable or requires vigorous stimulation	Life- threatening, prolonged, or recurrent seizure	Deep focal weakness such as hemiparesis or paraparesis	Diffuse cerebral edema, decerebrate or decorticate posturing, cranial nerve VI palsy, papilledema, Cushing's triad	

ICE: Immune effector cell associated encephalopathy score | ICP: intracranial pressure | EEG: electroencephalogram

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#### Adverse events: ICANS and others

► ICANS: 3% (except talquetamab ~10%). Grade 1-2

Onset: 3-4 days

Duration: 2-3 days

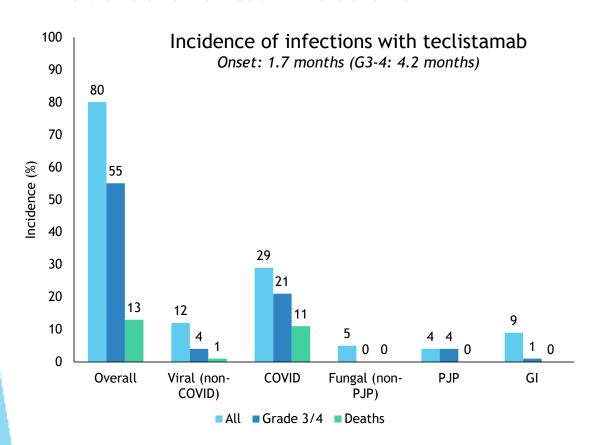
Other neurotoxicity: headache, neuropathy

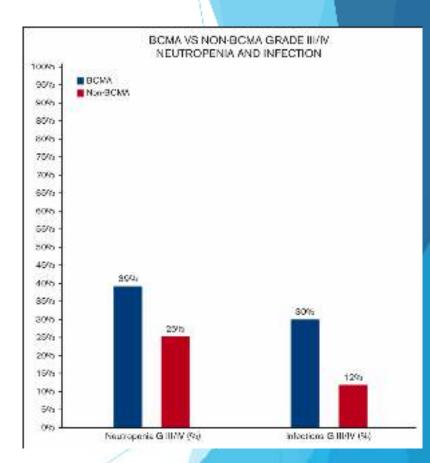
▶ Gastrointestinal: diarrhea, constipation, hepatotoxicity

Arthralgia

Injection site reaction

#### Adverse events: Infections





PJP: Pneumocystis jiroveci pneumonia

Nooka AK, et al. Cancer. 2024;130(6):886-900. | Mazahreh F, et al. Blood Adv. 2023;7(13):3069-3074.

## Infection prevention

	NCCN Recommendations	Comments
Hypogamma- globulinemia	Administer IVIG starting second cycle to maintain IgG >400 mg/dL	0.4 g/kg every 4 weeks. Also consider if recurrent or severe infection
Neutropenia	Consider antibiotic prophylaxis during first cycle. Consider yeast prophylaxis with ANC <0.5 and mold prophylaxis in high risk	Also consider filgrastim for absolute neutrophil count (ANC) <0.5 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L
Herpes/Zoster	Administer prophylaxis indefinitely	Acyclovir, valacyclovir
Cytomegalovirus	Monitor viral load if suspicious for CMV- related disease or patient is high risk	Consider baseline IgG/IgM testing. Treat as per standard guidelines for reactivation
Hepatitis B virus	Administer prophylaxis for history of infection	Entecavir, tenofovir
PJP	Administer prophylaxis starting first cycle until CD4 >200/mm3 or end of therapy	TMP/SMX, atovaquone, dapsone, pentamidine

#### Talquetamab toxicities



## Skir

- Examples: dry skin (50-90%), rash (30-40%), exfoliation, fissures, pruritis
- <u>Timing:</u> onset 3-7 weeks.
   Most are not painful, mild, and resolve in 3-6 weeks
- Management: Heavy moisturizers, ammonium lactate or urea, steroid (topical or oral), antihistamines, avoid hot showers and friction, reduce treatment dose/frequency, dermatology consult. Hold therapy if grade 3-4



# Nails

- Examples: onycholysis, onychomadesis, discoloration, ridging, cracking. Overall occurs in 30-60%
- <u>Timing:</u> onset 4-15 weeks. Most are not painful, and 20-30% resolve
- Management: nail hardeners, moisturizers, topical vitamin E oil, avoid friction



# Mouth

- Examples: dry mouth (30-60%), dysgeusia (60-70%), dysphagia (25-40%), decreased appetite, weight loss (30-60%)
- <u>Timing:</u> onset 2-4 weeks. 30% resolve
- Management: Mouth rinses (e.g., dexamethasone, bicarb), saliva substitutes, sugar-free candies, cevimeline, small meals, nutritional support, different flavor profiles, dysphagia diet, monitor weight, reduce treatment dose/frequency, nutrition consult

#### Step-up phase schedule

	Step-up 1	Step-up 2	Step-up 3	First treatment
Tec <sup>a, b</sup>	Day 1 (0.06 mg/kg)	Day 4 (0.3 mg/kg)	-	Day 7 (1.5 mg/kg)
Tal <sup>a, b</sup> (w)	Day 1 (0.01 mg/kg)	Day 4 (0.06 mg/kg)	-	Day 7 (0.4 mg/kg)
Tal <sup>a, b</sup> (2w)	Day 1 (0.01 mg/kg)	Day 4 (0.06 mg/kg)	Day 7 (0.4 mg/kg)	Day 10 (0.8 mg/kg)
Elra <sup>c</sup>	Day 1 (12 mg)	Day 4 (32 mg)	-	Day 8 (76 mg)

Administer pre-medications prior to all doses in step-up phase

- <sup>a</sup> May be administered 2-4 days after previous dose and may allow up to 7 days for resolution of adverse events
- <sup>b</sup> Patients SHOULD be hospitalized for 48 hours after each dose due to risk of CRS/ICANS
- <sup>c</sup> Patients SHOULD be hospitalized for 48 hours after step-up 1 and 24 hours after step-up 2

#### Administration and subsequent schedule

- Subcutaneous injection in abdomen
- Up to 2 mL per syringe

	Treatment Dose	Initial Frequency	Decreasing Frequency for Responders	Maximum Delay to Avoid Re-Stepping-Up
Teclistamab	1.5 mg/kg	Weekly	For CR+ for 6+ months: every 2 weeks	4 weeks
Talquetamab	0.4 mg/kg	Weekly	N/A	4 weeks
	0.8 mg/kg	Every 2 weeks	N/A	4 weeks
Elranatamab	76 mg	Weekly	For Cycles 7+ (week 25+) AND PR+ for 2+ months: every 2 weeks	6 weeks

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## Preparation

	Dosing	Vial Sizes	Preparation	Storage
Teclistamab	Weight-based	30mg/3mL (10mg/mL); 153mg/1.7mL (90mg/mL)	Remove from fridge and equilibrate to room temp for at least 15 minutes	Room temp or fridge for 20 hours
Talquetamab	Weight-based	3mg/1.5mL (2mg/mL); 40mg/1mL	For teclistamab and talquetamab, swirl for 10 seconds to mix	Fridge for 24 hours followed by room temp for 24 hours
Elranatamab	Flat dose	44mg/1.1mL (40mg/mL); 76mg/1.9mL (40mg/mL)		Fridge for 4 hours

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#### **REMS** program

#### Requirements

- Prescriber: training and certification, patient education, report serious adverse events of CRS/ICANS
- Pharmacy/healthcare settings: authorized representative, training and certification, verify prescriber certification prior to dispensing
- Patients: receive patient wallet card

#### Websites

- https://www.tec-talrems.com/
- https://www.elrexfiorems.com/

#### Patient case

- ▶ 62 M with history of CKD, afib, ECOG 1, and IgG kappa MM who has progressed through VRd/ASCT/len, DKd, elo-Pd, selinexor with increasing Mspike and new lesions on PET requiring new line of therapy
  - What are his next options?
  - Which bispecific antibody would be preferred?

#### Choice of therapy

- Past/future BCMA-directed therapy vs GPRC5D-directed therapy
- ► Toxicity profile: infection vs taste/skin
- Dosing schedule/duration of hospitalization
- Cost/formulary
  - ► Tal/tec 340b purchasing
  - ► Elra free supply for step-up doses

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  - What are his next options?
  - Which bispecific antibody would be preferred?
  - What supportive care would he require?

#### **Future directions**

- Move to earlier lines
- Use in combinations
- Outpatient initiation
- Tocilizumab premedication
- Sequencing
- Overcoming resistance/T-cell exhaustion
- Increasing dosing interval

#### MSK outpatient operations

- Inclusion/exclusion criteria
  - ▶ Performance status, comorbidities, disease burden, caregiver support, distance from hospital
  - ▶ Limited to specific treatment sites
- Provider assessment schedule
  - In person visit before each step-up dose and telehealth assessment daily for 2 days after
- Patient supplies and education
  - ▶ Thermometer, blood pressure cuff, pulse oximeter. Must demonstrate competency
  - Prescription for dexamethasone and non-antipyretic pain medications
  - Avoid medications that can contribute to altered mental status
  - ▶ Vital signs log, symptom chart, wallet card
- Outpatient observation unit
  - ▶ Able to administer tocilizumab/steroids and manage low grade CRS

# Bispecific T-Cell Engagers in Lymphoma

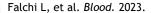
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### Treatment Paradigms for B-cell Non-Hodgkin lymphomas (NHL)

- Chemotherapy
- Immunotherapy
- Antibody-drug conjugates
- Small molecules
- Chimeric antigen receptor T-cell (CAR-T) therapy
- ▶ Bispecific T-cell engager therapies (BiTEs)



#### BiTEs Currently Approved for NHL

BiTEs	FDA approved	Indication
Mosunetuzumab	December 22, 2022	R/R FL ≥2 prior lines
Epcoritamab	May 19, 2023	R/R DLBCL (including transformed) and HGBCL ≥2 prior lines
Glofitamab	June 15, 2023	R/R DLBCL and transformed FL ≥2 prior lines

R/R = relapsed/refractory

FL = follicular lymphoma

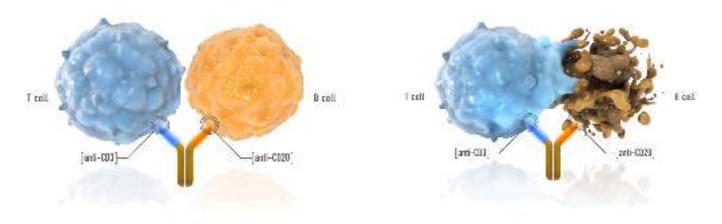
DLBCL = diffuse large B-cell lymphoma

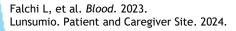
HGDCL = high-grade B-cell lymphoma

#### Mosunetuzumab



- Indication: R/R follicular lymphoma ≥2 prior lines
- Mechanism of Action (MOA)
  - ► CD20 on B-cells
  - ► CD3 on T-cells





#### Mosunetuzumab

GO29781 - Phase II, single-arm, multicenter study

#### Key inclusion criteria:

- R/R FL ≥2 prior therapies including an anti-CD20 therapy and an alkylating agent
- ECOG 0-1

Dose and Schedule (21-Day Treatment Cycles)				
Day of Treatment	Dose, IV			
Cycle 1	Day 1	1 mg		
(step-up)	Day 8	2 mg		
	Day 15	60 mg		
Cycle 2	Day 1	60 mg		
Cycles 3+	Day 1	30 mg		

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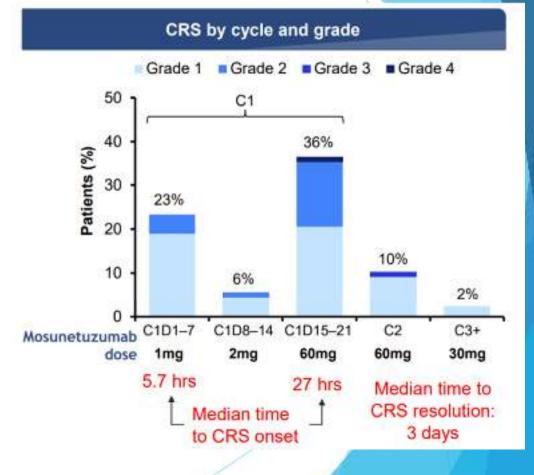
#### Mosunetuzumab - Efficacy

- N = 90
- Overall response rate (ORR): 80%
- Complete response (CR) rate: 60%
- Median time to response: 1.1 months
- ▶ Median duration of response (DOR): 22.8 months
- ▶ Median progression free survival (PFS): 24 months



#### Mosunetuzumab - Safety

Adverse Reaction	All Grades (%)	Grade 3 or 4 (%)
Cytokine release syndrome (CRS)	44	2.2
Neurologic toxicity	39	3
ICANS	1	0
Neutropenia	58	40
Infections	24	3.3
Rash	39	4.4
Musculoskelet al pain	28	1.1



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ICANS = Immune Effector Cell-Associated Neurotoxicity Syndrome

#### Mosunetuzumab: Logistical Considerations

- No mandatory hospitalizations for administration unless symptomatic
- Outpatient monitoring of CRS/ICANS
  - ▶ NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital Columbia protocol:
    - ► C1D1 dose: administer in the early AM and remain on campus for a 6-hour post-infusion RN vitals check or be called at the end of the day by an RN
    - ► C1D15 dose: return to clinic for RN/NP visit 24-hours post-infusion for vitals check or telemedicine visit

#### IV administration time:

Dose and Schedule (21-Day Treatment Cycles)				
Day of Treatment Dose		Dose	Infusion Duration	
Cycle 1		Administer over a minimum of 4 hours.		
(step-up)	Day 8	2 mg		
	Day 15	60 mg		
Cycle 2	Day 1	60 mg	Administer over <b>2 hours</b> if infusions from Cycle 1 were well-tolerated.	
Cycles 3+	Day 1	30 mg		

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#### Mosunetuzumab: Logistical Considerations

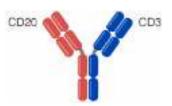
- Premedications:
  - ► Corticosteroid, Antihistamine, Antipyretic for all Cycle 1 doses
  - Cycle 2+: as above for patients who experienced any grade CRS with the previous dose
- Administer prophylactic antimicrobials according to guidelines
- 2 vial sizes: 1 mg/mL and 30 mg/30 mL
- Restarting therapy after dose delay specific recommendations per PI
- Fixed duration of treatment:
  - 8 cycles if CR after cycle 8
  - ▶ 17 cycles if PR/SD after cycle 8

CR = complete response

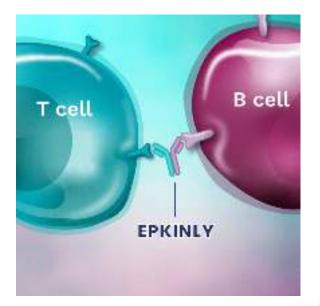
PR = partial response

SD = stable disease

### **Epcoritamab**



- Indication:
  - R/R DLBCL (including transformed) and HGBCL ≥2 prior lines
- MOA:
  - ► CD20 on B-cells
  - ► CD3 on T-cells



Falchi L, et al. *Blood*. 2023. Epkinly. Patient and Caregiver Site. 2024.

## **Epcoritamab**

EPCORE NHL-1 - Phase I/II, single-arm, multicenter study

#### Key inclusion criteria:

- CD20+ mature B-cell neoplasm R/R ≥2 prior therapies including an anti-CD20 therapy
- ECOG 0-2

Dose and Schedule (28-Day Treatment Cycles)		
Day of Treatme	Day of Treatment	
Cycle 1	Day 1	0.16 mg
(step-up)	Day 8	0.8 mg
	Day 15	48 mg
	Day 22	48 mg
Cycle 2 and 3	Day 1, 8, 15 and 22	48 mg
Cycle 4-9	Days 1 and 15	48 mg
Cycles 10+	Day 1	48 mg

Thieblemont C, et al. JCO. 2022.

Epkinly. [prescribing information]. AbbVie Inc; 2023.

## **Epcoritamab: Efficacy**

#### Updated results from the pivotal EPCORE NHL-1 trial:

N = 157

▶ ORR: 63%

► CR: 39%

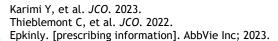
Median time to CR: 2.7 months

Median OS: 18.5 months

Median duration of CR: 20.8 months

Median PFS: NR

NR = not reached

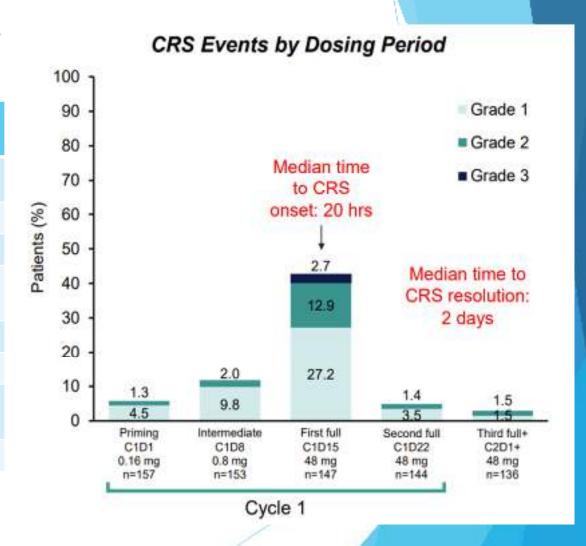




## **Epcoritamab: Safety**

Adverse Reaction	All Grades (%)	Grade ≥3 (%)
CRS	51	2.5
ICANS	6.4	0.6
Neutropenia	50	32
Thrombocyto penia	48	12
Infections	15	15
AST elevation	48	4.6
Musculoskele tal pain	28	1.3
Nausea	20	1.3





## **Epcoritamab: Logistical Considerations**

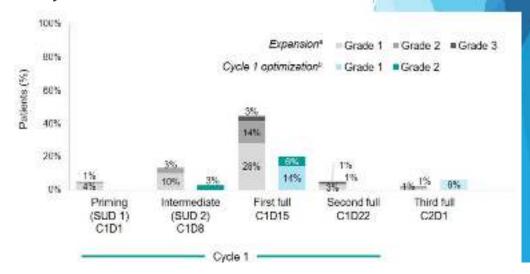
- Premedications:
  - Cycle 1:
    - ► Corticosteroid (Prednisolone 100 mg PO or IV or Dexamethasone 15 mg PO or IV)
      - ▶ Prior to injection and for 3 consecutive days following administration
    - Antihistamine
    - Antipyretic
  - Cycle 2+: for patients who experienced grade 2 or 3 CRS with the previous dose
    - Corticosteroid (Prednisolone 100 mg PO or IV or Dexamethasone 15 mg PO or IV)
      - Prior to injection and for 3 consecutive days following administration

Epkinly. [prescribing information]. AbbVie Inc; 2023.

# Epcoritamab: Mitigating the Risk of CRS Optimization Cohort

- Dexamethasone 15 mg PO or IV as premed and as CRS ppx for 3 days post C1 doses
- 2-3 L of fluid 24h prior to dose
- 500 ml IV fluids prior to administration
- ▶ Hold antihypertensives 24h prior to dose
- Self-monitoring of temperature 3 times daily for 4 days after dose
- Hospitalization not required

Adverse event	Expansion, N=157	Optimization, n=36
CRS (%)	51	22
ICANS (%)	6.4	1.7



## **Epcoritamab: Logistical Considerations**

- Patients should be hospitalized for at least 24 hrs for C1D15 dose or if CRS with previous step-up dose
- Outpatient monitoring of CRS/ICANS
- PJP and consider herpes virus prophylaxis prior to starting
- Subcutaneous administration
- Step-up doses require dilution
- 2 vial sizes: 4 mg/0.8 mL and 48 mg/0.8 mL
- Restarting therapy after dose delay specific recommendations per PI
- Duration of treatment: until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

PJP = Pneumocystis jirovecii Pneumonia

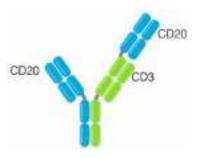
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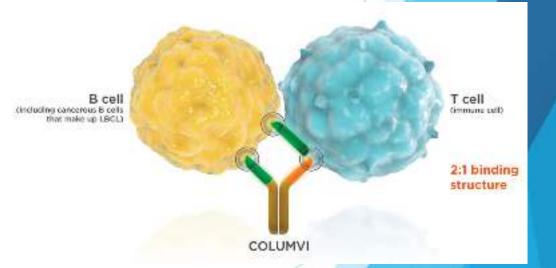
True or false?

All BiTEs approved for NHL have identical antibody structure

## Glofitamab



- Indication:
  - R/R DLBCL and transformed FL ≥2 prior lines
- MOA:
  - ▶ Novel 2:1 tumor-T-cell binding configuration
  - ▶ Bivalent CD20 on B-cells
  - Monovalent CD3 on T-cells



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### **Glofitamab**

Phase II, single-arm, multicenter study

#### Key inclusion criteria:

- DLBCL, transformed FL, HGBCL, PMLBCL: R/R ≥2 prior therapies including an anti-CD20 therapy and anthracycline
- ECOG 0-1

Dose and Schedule (21-Day Treatment Cycles)		
Day of Treatment		Dose, IV
Cycle 1 (step-up)	Day 1	Obinutuzumab 1,000 mg
(step-up)	Day 8	2.5 mg
	Day 15	10 mg
Cycles 2-12	Day 1	30 mg

## Glofitamab - Efficacy

N = 155

▶ ORR: 51.6%

**CR: 39.4**%

Median time to response: 42 days

Median PFS: 4.9 months

Median OS: NR

Median duration of CR: 26.9 months



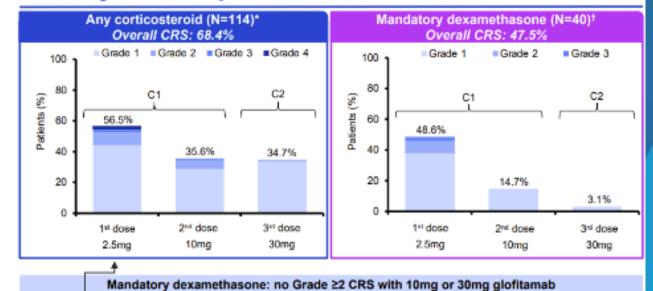
## Glofitamab - Safety

Adverse Reaction	All Grades (%)	Grade ≥3 (%)
CRS	64	4
ICANS	8	3
Neutropenia	38	27
Thrombocytope nia	25	7.7
Anemia	30.5	6.5
Musculoskeletal pain	21	2.1

Dickinson MJ, et al. *NEJM*. 2022. Dickinson MJ, et al. ICML; 2023. Dickinson MJ, et al. EHA; 2022.

Columvi. [prescribing information]. Genentech, Inc; 2023.

#### CRS by steroid premedication



Median time to CRS onset: 13.6 hrs Median time to CRS resolution: 30.5 hrs

- Pretreatment with Obinutuzumab
- Patients should be hospitalized for Cycle 1 Day 8 (2.5 mg step-up dose) and for subsequent infusions as recommended
- Outpatient monitoring of CRS/ICANS
- NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital Columbia protocol:
  - Mandatory hospitalization for at least 24 hrs for C1D8 dose
  - ▶ Hospitalize for at least 24 hrs for C1D15 if any grade CRS with C1D8 dose
  - Hospitalize for at least 24 hrs for any doses C2D1 or beyond if ≥grade 2 CRS with prior dose
  - ▶ If no history of prior CRS, then for C1D15:
    - administer in early AM if possible and RN call at end of day C1D15
    - Patient should return to clinic for RN/NP visit 24-hours post-infusion for vitals check or telemedicine visit

Dickinson MJ, et al. *NEJM*. 2022. Columvi. [prescribing information]. Genentech, Inc; 2023.

	Infusion Duration (21 day cycles)		
Day of Treat	tment	Dose, IV	Duration of infusion
Cycle 1	Day 1	Obinuti	uzumab
(step-up)	Day 8	2.5 mg	4 hours*
	Day 15	10 mg	
Cycle 2	Day 1	30 mg	4 hours
Cycles 3- 12	Day 1	30 mg	2 hours**

<sup>\*</sup>For patients who experience CRS with their previous dose may extend up to 8 hours

<sup>\*\*</sup>If the patient experienced CRS with the previous dose, the duration of infusion should be maintained at 4 hours

- Premedications:
  - Cycle 1-3:
    - Dexamethasone 20 mg IV
    - Antihistamine
    - Antipyretic
  - Cycle 4+:
    - Dexamethasone 20 mg IV for patients who experienced any grade CRS with the previous dose
    - Antihistamine
    - Antipyretic

Columvi. [prescribing information]. Genentech, Inc; 2023.

- Tumor lysis syndrome (TLS) prophylaxis:
  - Anti-hyperuricemics and hydration
- Consider PJP and antiviral prophylaxis
- Consider prophylaxis for cytomegalovirus infection in patients at increased risk
- 2 vial sizes: 2.5 mg/2.5 mL and 10 mg/10 mL
- 0.2-micron in-line filter
- Fixed treatment duration: 12 cycles

Columvi. [prescribing information]. Genentech, Inc; 2023.

# Epcoritamab and Glofitamab Logistical Considerations Summary

BiTE	Epcoritamab	Glofitamab
Administration	SC Post dose steroid for C1	IV (2-8-hour infusion) Obinutuzumab pre-treatment
Prophylaxis	PJP and antiviral	TLS, PJP and antiviral, CMV (for high risk)
Duration	Until progression/toxicity	Fixed duration of 12 cycles treatment

Epkinly. [prescribing information]. AbbVie Inc; 2023. Columvi. [prescribing information]. Genentech, Inc; 2023.

## Future of BiTEs

- Combination therapy
- Earlier line of therapy
- Optimal duration of BiTE therapy
- Treatment sequencing
- Strategies to minimize toxicity
- Biomarkers of response and resistance
- Predictors of CRS



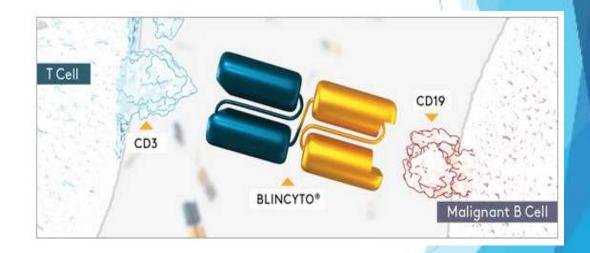
## Conclusion

- Physician and patient education
- Minimize risk factors for CRS/ICANS
- Ensure appropriate prophylaxis



## Blinatumomab (Blincyto)

- ► First Bispecific T-cell Engager (BiTE®)
- ► FDA-approved indications:
  - 2014: Philadelphia chromosome negative (Ph-) relapsed or refractory (r/r) CD19-positive B-cell precursor acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL)
  - ▶ 2017: Ph+ r/r CD19-positive B-ALL
  - ➤ 2018 (accelerated): CD19-positive B-ALL in first or second complete remission (CR1 or CR2) with minimal residual disease (MRD) greater than or equal to 0.1% [full approval in 2023]



https://www.blincytohcp.com/mechanism-of-action Blincyto (blinatumomab). Amgen Inc; 2024.

## Relapsed or refractory CD19-positive B-cell precursor acute lymphoblastic leukemia

#### Ph Negative (TOWER)

- Randomized, ph III trial
- Adults with relapsed/refractory Ph negative B-cell ALL
- Blinatumomab (N=271) vs standard chemotherapy (N=134)
- Median OS: 7.7 mo vs 4 mo (HR 0.71; p=0.01)
  - ► HSCT censored: 6.9 mo vs 3.9 mo
- Remission: 44% vs 25%; p<0.001</p>
- 6-mo event-free survival: 31% vs 12%; p<0.001</p>

#### Ph Positive (ALCANTARA)

- Ph II, single-arm trial
- Adults with relapsed/refractory Ph positive B-cell ALL
- Failed/intolerant to 2<sup>nd</sup> generation or later TKIs
- Blinatumomab (N=45)
- Remission within 2 cycles: 36%
  - ▶ 88% MRD negative
- Relapse-free survival: 6.7 mo
- Median OS: 7.1 mo

N Engl J Med. 2017;376(9):836-847. J Clin Oncol. 2017;35(16):1795-1802.

## MRD+ B-ALL: BLAST Study

- Open-label, single-arm ph II trial (Europe and Russia)
- ≥18 years with B-cell precursor ALL in first or later hematologic CR and with persistent or recurrent MRD ≥10<sup>-3</sup> after a minimum of 3 blocks of intensive chemotherapy (N=116)
  - Only 5 patients with Ph+ disease
- Complete MRD response after cycle 1 (N=113): 78%
- ► HSCT in CR: 67%
- ▶ Relapse-free survival, median: 18.9 months
  - ▶ MRD- 23.6 mo vs MRD+ 5.7 mo
- Overall survival, median: 36.5 months
  - ▶ MRD- 38.9 mo vs MRD+ 12.5 mo

## Blinatumomab

	r/r B-ALL		MRD+ B-ALL	
Dosing	≥45 kg	<45 kg	≥45 kg	<45 kg
	Cycle 1: 9 mcg/day x 7 days 28 mcg/day x 21 days Cycle 2+: 28 mcg/day x 28 days	Cycle 1: 5 mcg/m²/day x 7 days 15 mcg/m²/day x 21 days Cycle 2+: 15 mcg/m²/day x 28 days	28 mcg/day	15 mcg/m²/day
	Induction/consolidation: 28 days on, 14 off Continuation: 28 days on, 56 off		28 days on, 14 off	
Duration	<ul><li>1 - 2 induction cycles (42 days)</li><li>3 consolidation cycles (42 days)</li><li>Up to 4 continuation cycles (84 days)</li></ul>		1 induction cycle (42 days Up to 3 consolidation cycl	•
Setting	Hospitalization recommended: • First 9 days of cycle 1 • First 2 days of cycle 2		<ul> <li>Hospitalization recommer</li> <li>First 3 days of cycle 1</li> <li>First 2 days of cycle 2</li> <li>Any interruption of ≥ 4 h</li> </ul>	
Premedication (Dexamethasone)	Adults: 20mg 1 hour before 1st dose of each cycle, prior to a step up dose (C1D8) or after interruption of 4+ hours  Peds: 5 mg/m² (max 20 mg) at same time points		Adults: 20mg 1 hour before cycle or after interruption Peds: 5 mg/m <sup>2</sup> (max 20 m points	of 4+ hours

Blincyto (blinatumomab). Amgen Inc; 2024.

## Off-Label: Newly diagnosed Ph+ B-ALL

- GIMEMA LAL2116, D-ALBA trial (Italy)
- ▶ Ph II, single-group study
- Newly diagnosed adult Ph+ B-ALL patients (n=63)
  - Median age (range): 54 years (24 to 82)
  - Day 85: 98% complete hematologic response; 29% molecular response
  - ▶ Post cycle 2 consolidation: 52% molecular response (intention-to-treat)
  - ▶ Increased complete molecular response (CMR) with more cycles (up to 81%)
- Median follow-up: 18 months
  - Overall survival: 95%; Disease-free survival: 88%
- Median follow-up: 53 months
  - Overall survival: 80.7%; Disease-free survival: 75.8%

Pre-treatment: Days -6 to 0
Prednisone\*

Induction: Days 1 to 84
Dasatinib 140mg/day x 84 days
+ Prednisone\*
+ IT chemotherapy\*\*

Consolidation: Days 85+
Blinatumomab 28 mcg/day
28 days on, 14 off (2-5 cycles)
+ Dasatinib 140mg/day

N Engl J Med. 2020;383(17):1613-23. J Clin Oncol. 2023; 42:881-5. \*Prednisone: titrate 20mg/m2/day to 60mg/m2/day day -6 to -3; continue 60mg/m2/day day -2 to +24; taper days +25 to +32

\*\*Prophylactic IT methotrexate + steroid: day 0, day +14, +22, +45, +57, +85

## Blinatumomab - Safety

- Black Box Warning
  - CRS
    - ► R/R ALL: 15% (any grade); 3% (grade 3<sup>+</sup>)
    - ► MRD+ ALL: 7% (any grade); 1.5% (grade 3<sup>+</sup>)
    - ▶ Median onset: 2 days; Resolution: 5 days
  - ► Neurologic toxicity: 65% (any grade)
    - ▶ Grade 3+ 13%
    - ► Headache and tremor most commonly
    - Onset: within 2 weeks of treatment initiation
- Infection
- ► Fatal pancreatitis in post-marketing experience
- ▶ REMS: at approval in 2014, but removed in 2022



## Blinatumomab - Operational Pearls

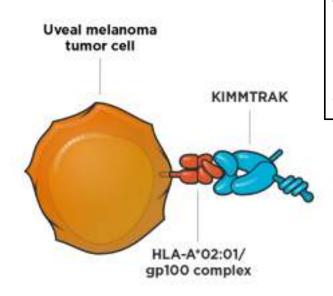
- IV solution stabilizer prior to adding drug
- Continuous infusions home infusion
  - ▶ IV tubing priming with in-line filter
  - Do NOT flush line during bag changes
  - Transitions of care
- 24 hour vs 48 hour vs 168 hour (7-day) preparation
  - ▶ Bacteriostatic 0.9% sodium chloride and pediatric population
- Purposeful overfill (270 ml vs 240 mL)
- Subcutaneous formulation on the horizon

### True or False:

Blinatumomab 168-hour preparations are appropriate for all patient populations.

## Tebentafusp-tebn (Kimmtrak)

- First FDA-approved T-cellredirecting bispecific fusion protein for a solid tumor
  - Immune-mobilizing monoclonal Tcell receptors against cancer [ImmTAC]
- FDA-approved indications:
  - ► HLA-A\*02:01-positive adult patients with unresectable or metastatic uveal
- HLA-A\*02:01 positive: 45% of United States and Europe



HLA-A\*02:01-restricted T-cell receptor for glycoprotein 100 (gp100) peptide fused to an anti-CD3 single-chain variable fragment

https://www.kimmtrak.com/#howkimmtrakworks N Engl J Med. 2021;385(13):1196-1206 Kimmtrak (tebentafusp-tebn). Immunocore; 2023.

## Tebentafusp-tebn - IMCgp100-202 Trial

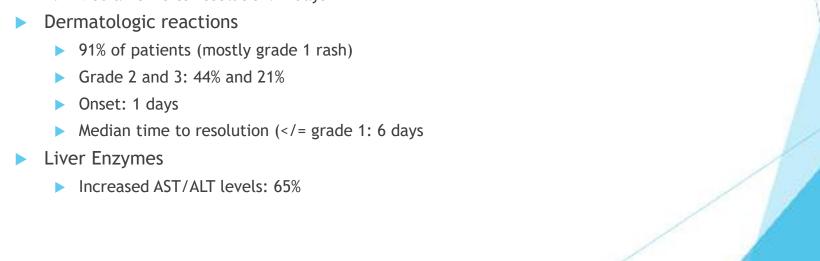
- ▶ De novo HLA-A\*02:01-positive patients with metastatic uveal melanoma
- Tebentafusp (N=252) vs single agent investigator's choice (N=126) [2:1 ratio]
- First analysis
  - Median OS: 21.7 mo vs 16 mo [HR 0.51 (95% CI, 0.37 0.71)]
    - ▶ Disease progression as best response before day 100: 15.3 mo vs 6.5 mo [HR 0.43; 95% CI, 0.27 0.68)]
  - Median PFS: 3.3 mo vs 2.9 mo [HR 0.73 (95% CI, 0.58 0.94)]
- 3 year follow-up analysis (median follow-up: 43.3 mo)
  - ▶ 57% tebentafusp continued despite radiographic progression; 16 patients crossed over from control
  - Surviving at 1/2/3 years: 72%/45%/27% vs 60%/30%/18%
  - Disease progression as best response before day 100: 15.1 mo vs 10.1 mo [HR 0.62; 95% CI, 0.44 0.89)]

## Tebentafusp-tebn

Dosing	Day 1: 20 mcg IV over 15 - 20 minutes Day 8: 30 mcg IV over 15 - 20 minutes Day 15: 68 mcg IV over 15 - 20 minutes Weekly thereafter: 68 mcg IV over 15 - 20 minutes
Duration	Unacceptable toxicity or "disease progression"
Setting	"Appropriate healthcare setting": first 3 infusions (monitored for at least 16 hours after infusion)  Dose 4+: ambulatory setting with at least 30 minutes
	monitoring after each dose
Premedication	None Dexamethasone 4mg if severe CRS with previous dose

## Tebentafusp-tebn - Safety

- Black Box Warning: CRS
  - Doses 1 to 3: "appropriate healthcare setting"
  - ▶ Grade 2+: 77%; 60% with CRS episodes with more than 1 dose
  - Onset: 84% on day of infusion
  - Median time to resolution: 2 days



Kimmtrak (tebentafusp-tebn). Immunocore; 2023.

## Tebentafusp-tebn - Operational Pearls

- ▶ 100 mcg / 0.5 mL single-dose vial
- ► Two-Step preparation
  - ► Create 250 mcg/mL albumin in 100mL 0.9% sodium chloride bag
    - ▶ 5%: 0.5 mL
    - ▶ 20%: 0.13 mL
    - ▶ 25%: 0.1 mL
  - Add tebentafusp
    - ▶ 20 mcg: 0.1 mL
    - ▶ 30 mcg: 0.15 mL
    - ▶ 68 mcg: 0.34 mL
- ▶ 0.2 micron in-line filter

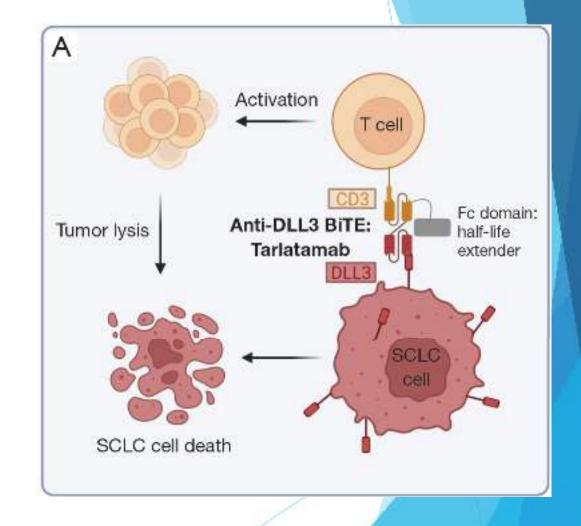
Kimmtrak (tebentafusp-tebn). Immunocore; 2023.

## True or False:

Tebentafusp does not require hospitalization for CRS monitoring.

# Tarlatamab-dlle (Imdelltra)

- Accelerated FDA approved: May 16, 2024
- Delta-like ligand 3 (DLL3) BiTE®
  - Adult patients with advanced small cell lung cancer (SCLC) with disease progression on or after platinum-based chemotherapy
- DLL3 expression
  - ▶ 85%- 96% of SCLC cells
  - Minimal on normal cells



## Tarlatamab-dlle - DeLLphi-301 trial

- Ph II, open-label trial
- Advanced small cell lung cancer after 2+ lines of therapy
- Three parts
  - ▶ Part 1: dose comparison of 10mg (N=88) vs 100mg (N=88)
  - ▶ Part 2: qs to 100 patients at selected target dose (10mg) in part 1 (N=12)
  - ▶ Part 3: sub-study reducing cycle 1 hospitalization from 48 hrs to 24 hrs (N=34)
- Objective response (10mg vs 100mg): 40% vs 32%
- Disease control (OR plus SD): 70% vs 63%
- Median PFS: 4.9 mo vs 3.9 mo
- Median OS: 14.3 mo vs NR

## Tarlatamab-dlle

Ever 2 weeks thereafter: 10 mg IV over 60 minutes
Unacceptable toxicity or disease progression
"Appropriate healthcare setting": first 2 infusions (monitored for 22-24 hours after infusion)  "Recommend" remaining within 1-hour of an appropriate healthcare setting for a total of 48 hours from the start of the infusion, accompanied by a caregiver.  Cycle 1, Day 15 and beyond: Ambulatory
Dexamethasone 8mg IV on day 1 and day 8 of cycle 1 prior to tarlatamab administration  0.9% sodium chloride 1000 mL after each tarlatamab infusion in cycle 1 (over 4-5 hours)
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## Tarlatamab-dlle - Safety (10 mg)

- Black Box Warning
  - ► CRS: 51% overall
    - Grade 3+: 1%
    - ~5% received tocilizumab; <1% received vasopressors</li>
    - "Most common" after day 1 or day 8 doses
    - Median onset: 13.1 hours after tarlatamab dose
    - Median duration: 4 days
  - ► ICANS: 8% overall
    - Grade 3+: 0 [5% in 100 mg group]
    - "Most common" after cycle 1 doses
    - Median onset: 5 days
    - Median time to resolution: 6.5 days
- Neutropenia (17%)



## Tarlatamab-dlle - Operational Pearls

- No REMS program
- ► IV solution stabilizer required: 13 mL (both doses)
  - Final volume 250 mL 0.9% Sodium Chloride (remove drug and stabilizer volume)
- Remove air from prepared IV bag
- 7-day beyond-use dating refrigerated
- NO in-line filter
- Monitoring based on dose
  - Cycle 1, Day 1 and Day 8: 22-24 hours
  - Cycle 1, Day 15 and Cycle 2: 6-8 hours
  - Cycles 3 and 4: 3-4 hours
  - Cycles 5+: 2 hours

Imdelltra (tarlatamab-dlle). Amgen; 2024. N Engl J Med. 2023;389(22):2063-2075.

#### True or False:

Tarlatamab-dlle will be easy to integrate into our existing bispecific t-cell engager practice as the providers caring for these patients are already experts in managing CRS and ICANS.

## Bispecific T-Cell Engagers: <u>Two</u> BiTE<u>s</u> with Lots to Swallow Round Table Discussion

## Round Table Talking points

- Solid tumor specialists and CRS/ICANS management?
- G-CSF and BiTES
- Fever-masking supportive care medications? And potentially neurotoxic supportive care meds?
- Blinatumomab for de novo Ph+ B-ALL patients? Dasatinib or Ponatinib?
- Outpatient initiation for all BiTEs?
- Pre-phase treatment for high disease burden blin patients? Dex? Cy?
- Formulary status for rare medications like tebentafusp?
- ▶ Albumin % choice for tebentafusp preparation?
- ► How fast is P&T turnaround on new oncology medications?
- Managing transitions of care?
- Separate CRS/ICANS per drug or one policy to include all?