VENETOCLAX (ABT 199)

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Introduction

- The BCL-2 gene identified by cloning breakpoint of t(14;18) translocation (1984)
- First identified major apoptotic regulator
 - Regulate mitochondrial outer membrane permeability
- Multiple proteins in BCL-2 family
- Essentially Pro-death + pro-survival
- 3 subsets according to BCL-2 homology domains









Non malignant B Cells

Normal Lymphoid Cell

Homeostasis



Non malignant B Cells



Malignant B Cells



Overexpression of Bcl-2 → inappropriate survival of cells under stress

Mason et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2008;105:17961-17966.



(Bid, Bim, Hrk (DPS), Blk, Bnip3, Bnip3L)

Fig. 1 Structures of BCL-2 family proteins. According to the BH domains, the BCL-2 family proteins can be categorized into three subsets. BH4-containing BCL-2 and related BCL-X_L, BCL-w, MCL-1, A1(BFL-1), and Boo are anti-apoptotic proteins. The remaining two subsets (BAX and Bik subgroups) do not have a BH4 domain and are pro-apoptotic proteins

Cang et al. Journal of Hematology & Oncology (2015) 8:129

BH3 Mimetics

BH3 mimetics

- Mimics the action of the BH3-only proteins
- Restores the cell's ability to undergo apoptotic death



BH3-Mimetics in the Clinic



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ABT-199



ABT-199 (GDC-199) Venetoclax



ABT-199 / Venetoclax : a potent and selective Bcl-2 inhibitor



Percentage change in blood counts

ABT-199 Venetoclax

•ABT-199 is a selective, potent, orally bioavailable, small molecule Bcl-2 inhibitor

•ABT-199 binds with high affinity to Bcl-2 and with substantially lower affinity to other Bcl-2 proteins (Bcl- x_L, Bcl-w and MCL-1)

•ABT-199 has shown preclinical activity in a wide range of hematologic malignancies as a single agent

UPDATED RESULTS OF A PHASE I FIRST-IN-HUMAN STUDY OF THE BCL-2 INHIBITOR ABT-199 (GDC-0199) IN PATIENTS WITH RELAPSED/REFRACTORY NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

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Patient Dose Escalation Cohorts

	Patients		ABT-199 D	oses (mg)	
	Enrolled		Weekly Es	calations	
Cohort 1	3	50	100	150	200
Cohort 2	3	100	200	<u>300</u>	
Cohort 3	4	200	300	400	
Cohort 4	8	200	400	600	
Cohort 5 ^a	10	300	<u>600</u>		
Cohort 6 ^b	4	400	<u>900</u>		
TOTAL	32				

Designated Cohort Doses are underlined. ^aCohort 5 includes one MM patient started at 50 mg. ^bCohort 6 includes one MCL patient started at 200 mg.

Preliminary Pharmacokinetics of ABT-199



•After a single dose with high-fat meal: $T_{max} \sim 8$ hrs; $t_{1/2} \sim 15$ hrs

•Food increased ABT-199 AUC by 3-4 fold

•Approximately dose proportional between 200 mg and 900 mg dose levels at steady state

Adverse Events in ABT-199 Treated NHL Patients

	All Grades >10% of Patients	Grades 3/4
	n (%)	n (%)
Nausea	13 (41)	-
Diarrhea	9 (28)	1 (3)
Pyrexia	6 (19)	1 (3)
Upper respiratory tract infection	6 (19)	1 (3)
Vomiting	6 (19)	-
Fatigue	6 (19)	-
Cough	6 (19)	-
Neutropenia	5 (16)	4 (13)
Thrombocytopenia	5 (16)	4 (13)
Constipation	5 (16)	1 (3)
Back pain	5 (16)	1 (3)
Dyspepsia	5 (16)	-
Pain in extremity	5 (16)	-
Anemia	4 (13)	4 (13)
Headache	4 (13)	-

One patient with MCL (initial dose 200 mg) experienced an AE of laboratory TLS

A PHASE 1 STUDY OF VENETOCLAX (ABT-199 / GDC-0199) MONOTHERAPY IN PATIENTS WITH RELAPSED/REFRACTORY NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

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Study Overview

- This was a phase 1, open-label, multicenter study of venetoclax monotherapy in patients with:
 - Relapsed/refractory chronic lymphocytic leukemia, CLL (Arm A)
 - Relapsed/refractory NHL (Arm B)
- Objectives:
 - Determine safety, maximum tolerated dose and recommended phase 2 dose and evaluate pharmacokinetics
 - Assess preliminary efficacy (ORR, PFS, OS, DoR)
 - Evaluate biomarkers and pharmacogenetics

Arm B NHL Overview

- Inclusion criteria:
 - Relapsed or refractory NHL
 - ECOG Score ≤1
 - Adequate bone marrow function independent of growth factor support
- Exclusion criteria:
 - Prior allogeneic stem cell transplant
 - ≤6 months post-autologous transplant
 - Post-Transplant Lymphoproliferative Disease, Burkitt or Burkitt-like lymphoma, lymphoblastic lymphoma/leukemia
- Assessments:
 - Adverse events (AEs) were graded according to NCI-CTCAE version 4.0
 - Responses were assessed using 2007 IWG response criteria including CT scans beginning at week 6 and the 4th iwWM criteria

Venetoclax Escalation Strategy

- 70 patients with R/R NHL (multiple histology subtypes) were enrolled in doseescalation cohorts (target daily dose: 200 – 1200mg)
- 15 patients with FL and 21 with DLBCL were enrolled in a safety expansion cohort (target daily dose: 1200 mg)





Patient Characteristics

Characterist	ic, n (%)	All N=106	MCL n=28	FL n=29	DLBCL n=41 ^a	Other ^b n=8
Age, years	Median (range)	66 (25–86)	72 (35–85)	64 (46–75)	67 (25–86)	63 (56–73)
Prior therapies	Median (range)	3 (1–10)	3 (1–7)	3 (1–10)	3 (1–8)	4 (2–6)
	Rituximab-refractory	33 (31)	8 (29)	8 (28)	16 (39)	1 (33)
Bulky nodes	>5 cm	49 (48)	16 (59)	8 (29)	22 (54)	3 (38)
	>10 cm	14 (14)	3 (11)	2 (7)	8 (20)	1 (13)
LDH	> Upper Limit of Normal	45 (44)	7 (27)	10 (35)	27 (68)	1 (13)

^a Includes 7 patients DLBCL-Richter's transformation

^b Includes n=4 WM, n=3 MZL, n=1 MM

Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events

All Grade AEs (in ≥ 15% patients), n (%)	N=106
Any AE	103 (97)
Nausea	51 (48)
Diarrhea	47 (44)
Fatigue	43 (41)
Decreased appetite	22 (21)
Vomiting	22 (21)
Anemia	19 (18)
Constipation	19 (18)
Headache	19 (18)
Neutropenia	19 (18)
Cough	18 (17)
Back pain	17 (16)
Upper respiratory tract infection	16 (15)

Grade 3/4 AEs (in ≥ 5% patients), n (%)	N=106
Any Grade 3/4 AE	57 (54)
Anemia	17 (16)
Neutropenia	13 (12)
Thrombocytopenia	10 (9)
Fatigue	6 (6)

Serious Adverse Events (in ≥2 patients), n (%)	N=106
Any SAE	35 (33)
Diarrhea	3 (3)
Hyponatremia	3 (3)
Influenza	3 (3)

Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events

- There were two dose-limiting toxicities, both in the 600mg cohort:
 - Grade 3 febrile neutropenia (DLBCL) that resolved after a 2 day study drug interruption
 - Grade 4 neutropenia (DLBCL-RT) that resolved after pegfilgrastim and a 9 day study drug interruption
- There were two events of laboratory tumor lysis syndrome without clinical sequelae in patients with high-risk disease (maximum tumor burden >10 cm)
 - 1 (MCL) after 200mg (Day 1); resumed at same dose (Day 8)
 - Elevated phosphate (1.82 mmol/L; >1.45 mmol/L) and potassium (5.4 mmol/L; >25% increase from baseline of 4.2 mmol/L)
 - 1 (DLBCL-RT) after 300mg (Day 1); resumed at same dose (Day 8)
 - Elevated phosphate (1.49 mmol/L; >1.45 mmol/L) and uric acid (309 µmol/L; >25% increase from baseline of 220 µmol/L)

Current Status



^a 1 each sepsis, anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, type 2 respiratory failure, thrombocytopenia, toxic myopathy, diarrhea/nausea ^b Two after achieving PR and one after achieving CR As of September 15, 2015

Best Percent Change From Baseline in Nodal Mass by CT Scan



Objective Responses by Histology – All Doses

Best Objective Response, n (%)	All N=106	MCL n=28	FL n=29	DLBCL n=34	DLBCL -RT n=7	WM n=4	MZL n=3
Overall Response	47 (44)	21 (75)	11 (38)	6 (18)	3 (43)	4 (100)	2 (67)
CR	14 (13)	6 (21)	4 (14)	4 (12)	0	0	0
PR	33 (31)	15 (54)	7 (24)	2 (6)	3 (43)	4 (100)	2 (67)
SD	32 (30)	5 (18)	17 (59)	8 (24)	2 (29)	0	0
PD	23 (22)	1 (4)	1 (4)	19 (56)	1 (14)	0	0

- 4 patients discontinued prior to assessment
- n=1 with MM had PD

Objective Responses by Dose Cohorts



- MCL: Objective responses were observed across dose cohorts
- FL : Objective responses were more common at higher doses, including the 1200 mg dose evaluated in the safety expansion cohort



Duration of Response in MCL and FL

Mantle cell lymphoma

Follicular lymphoma



Progression-Free Survival by Histology Subtype



As of September 15, 2015

Overall Survival by Histology Subtype



ABT-199 Anti-tumor Activity in **MCL** Patient

- 66 year old female, diagnosed with Stage • II MCL in May 2007
- Prior therapy (and best response): •
 - 2007: 6 cycles R-CHOP, IFRT of • residual mass (PR)
 - 2010: 2 cycles R-ICE (PR) then • BEAM autograft with IFRT of residual mass 2011 (PR)
 - 2012: IFRT (PD) •
- 2013: Referred for treatment of • supramediastinal mass 7.6 x 3.6 cm with **ABT-199**
- Complete clinical resolution of node after • 6 weeks of study drug and remains in CR for > 8 months



Week 6



Clinical trials	Regimens	Diseases	Responses	References
Phase Ib	V + R	R/R CLL	ORR-88 %	86, 87
			CR/CRi-32 %	
			PR—56 %	
Phase I	V + BR	R/R NHL	ORR-61.5 %	89
Phase Ib	V + BR	R/R CLL	Not reported	90
		Untreated CLL		
Phase Ib	V+O	R/R CLL	Not reported	91
		Untreated CLL		

Table 2 Clinical trials of venetoclax/ABT-199 in combination regimens

R/R relapsed/refractory, *ORR* overall response rate, *CLL* chronic lymphoid leukemia, *NHL* non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, *AML* acute myeloid leukemia. For regimens: *V* venetoclax, *R* rituximab, *B* bendamustine, *O* obinutuzumab

ABT + BR (de Vos ASH 2015)

- Standard dose BR with ABT + 2 yr ABT
- Cycle length ABT (3d,7d,28d)
- 47 patients (FL, DLBCL, MZ)
- On- going DLT not reached

Toxicity

- Nausea (51%), Diarrhoea (30%), Fatigue (30%)
- Haematological (III/IV)
 - 32% neutropenia
 - 21% Thrombocytopenia / Anaemia
 - Anaemia 15%
 - Febrile neutropenia (SAE) 9%

ABT 199 plus BR

Response, n (%)	FL	DLBCL	MZL	Total
Evaluable patients	23	13	4	40
Objective response (CR + PR)	20 (87)	6 (46)	3 (75)	29 (73)
(Dose range)	(50 mg–600 mg)	(100 mg–600 mg)	(50 mg–400 mg)	
Complete response	7 (30)	2 (15)	1 (25)	10 (25)
(Dose range)	(50 mg–600 mg)	(400 mg–600 mg)	(400 mg)	
Partial response	13 (57)	4 (31)	2 (50)	19 (48)
(Dose range)	(50 mg–600 mg)	(100 mg–400 mg)	(50 mg–100 mg)	
Stable disease	1 (4)	2 (15)	1 (25)	4 (10)
(Dose range)	(50 mg)	(100 mg)	(600 mg)	
Progressive disease (Dose range)	2 (9) (200 mg)	5 (38) (100 mg–400 mg)	0	7 (18)
Incomplete data	4	2	1	7

Table 1: Responses in evaluable patients per NHL histology subgroups

Sven de Vos et al. Blood 2015;126:255



Combination Trials (Clinical trials.gov)

- Duvelisib + Venetoclax (NHL + CLL)
- GA101 + Polatuzumab Vedotin + Venetoclax (FL/DLBCL)
- Ibrutinib + Venetoclax (MCL)

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STUDY DESIGN: step A (n=9)

Cycle 1	Cycle 2-6	From Cycle 7 – maintenance phase
Ibrutinib 560mg day 2 – 28	Ibrutinib 560mg day 1-28	Ibrutinib 560mg day 1-28 for 18
GA101 1000mg day 1/2,8,15	GA101 1000mg day 1	months and until progression at
		investigator discretion
		GA101 1000mg day 1 every 2
		cycles for 18 months (from C8)

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·			Cycl	e 1	·	Following cycles	Maintenance phase/Progression	FU (2 years)/ Progression
	Baseline period 21 days	W1	W2	W3	W4	C2-C6	C7-C24	
	Ibrutinib intake (once daily)	From D2						
-	GA101 intake	D1/2	D8	D15		D1 of each cycle	D1 every two cycles (from C8)	

STUDY DESIGN: STEP B (n=24)

<u>Cycle 1</u>	Cycle 2-6	From Cycle 7 – maintenance phase
Ibrutinib 560mg day 2 – 28	Ibrutinib 560mg day 1-28	Ibrutinib 560mg day 1-28 for 18
GA101 1000mg day 1/2,8,15	GA101 1000mg day 1	months and until progression at
		investigator discretion
	GDC-0199 :	GA101 1000mg day 1 every 2
	100mg/d at W1, 200mg/d at W2,	cycles for 18 months (from C8)
	400, mg/d at W3 and 400, 600, 800 or 1000 mg/d at W4 followed by 400, 600, 800 or 1000 mg/d from C3 to C6	GDC-0199 : 400, 600, 800 or 1000 mg day 1-28 for 18 months

