Sonrotoclax (BGB-11417) + Zanubrutinib in Patients With Treatment-Naive CLL/SLL: An Ongoing Phase 1/2 Study

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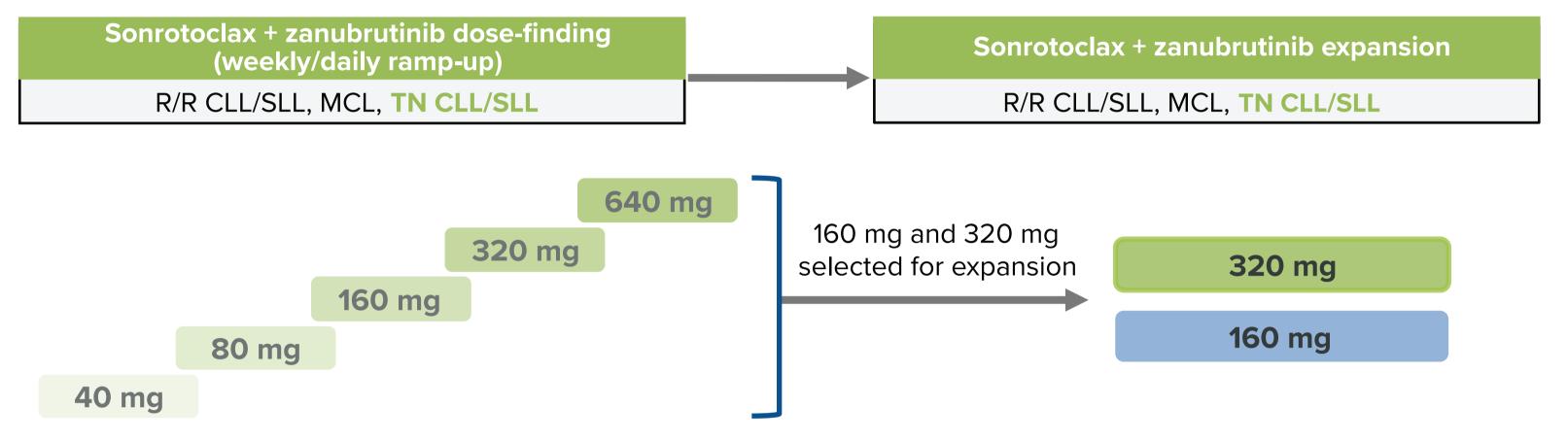
INTRODUCTION

- Sonrotoclax is a BH3 mimetic that binds and inhibits BCL2
- >10-fold potency compared to ventoclax¹ and better in vitro activity against BCL2 mutations, including BCL2 G101V
- Demonstrated high selectivity
- Short half life (4 hours)
- The combination of BCL2 and Bruton tyrosine kinase (BTK) inhibitors has shown synergistic activity in preclinical chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) models²⁻⁵
- Ibrutinib with venetoclax in patients with CLL/small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL) is effective, however, toxicities can limit use⁶
- Zanubrutinib is highly effective in patients with treatment naive (TN) and relapsed/refractory (R/R) CLL including those with high-risk diseases,^{7,8} demonstrating a superior efficacy and safety profile, including less cardiovascular toxicity than ibrutinib in R/R CLL⁸
- Here, we report preliminary results of the BGB-11417-101 trial (NCT04277637) in patients with TN CLL/SLL treated with sonrotoclax in combination with zanubrutinib

METHODS

- BGB-11417-101 is a phase 1/2 study evaluating sonrotoclax as monotherapy, in combination with zanubrutinib, and in combination with obinutuzumab \pm zanubrutinib in patients with B-cell malignancies (**Figure 1**)
- Main study objectives (TN CLL cohorts): determine safety and tolerability and define the RP2D of sonrotoclax when given in combination with zanubrutinib (160 mg BID or 320 mg QD)
- 8 to 12 weeks of zanubrutinib monotherapy was given prior to sonrotoclax dosing (12 weeks if high tumor burden)
- Sonrotoclax was dosed orally, once daily, using a weekly or daily ramp-up schedule to reach the target dose

Figure 1. BGB-11417-101 Study Design



RESULTS

Table 1. Baseline Characteristics

Sonrotoclax 160 mg + zanu (n=51)	Sonrotoclax 320 mg + zanu (n=56)	All Patients (N=107)
7.2 (0.3-21.1)	9.8 (0.5-17.4)	9.7 (0.3-21.1)
63 (38-82)	61 (34-84)	62 (34-84)
20 (39)	19 (34)	39 (36)
4 (8)	7 (13)	11 (10)
37 (73)	44 (79)	81 (76)
49 (96)	52 (93)	101 (94)
2 (4)	4 (7)	6 (6)
6/49 (12)	6/54 (11)	12/103 (12)
12/50 (24)	15/55 (27)	27/105 (26)
33/47 (70)	28/51 (55)	61/98 (62)
20 (39)	14 (25)	34 (32)
31 (61)	42 (75)	73 (68)
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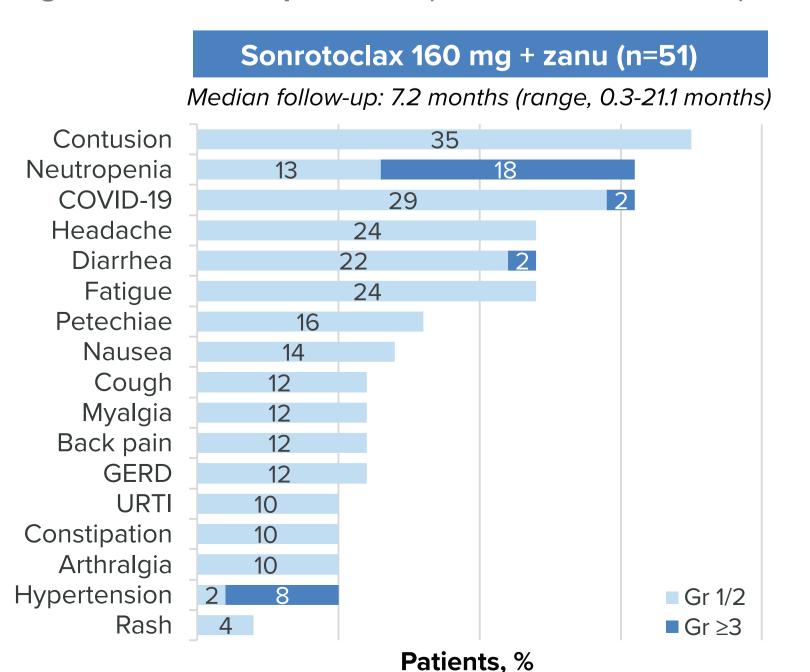
Data cutoff: August 15, 2023. ^a TP53 mutations defined as >10% VAF. b Nodes ≥10 cm or nodes >5 cm and ALC >25×10⁹/L. ALC, absolute lymphocyte count.

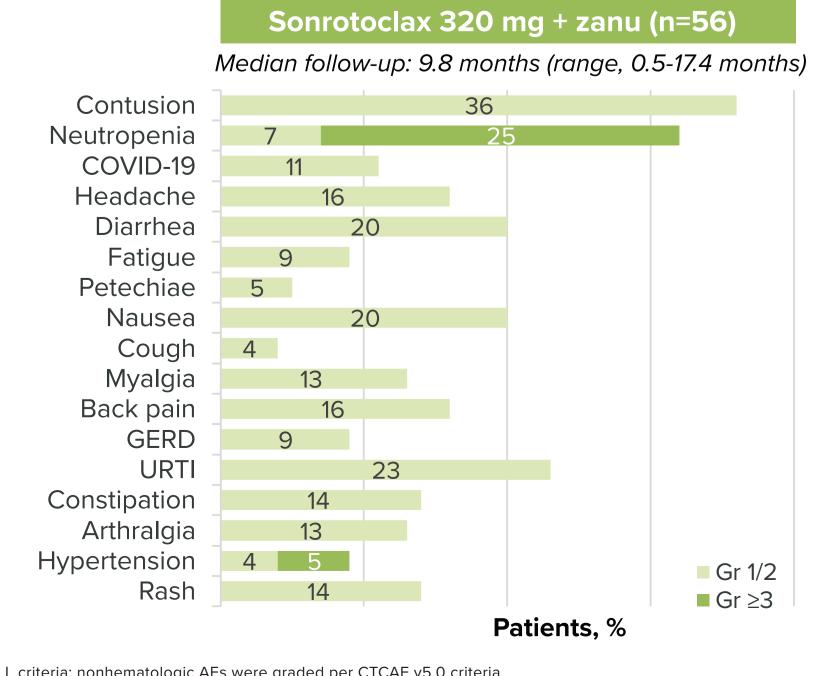
- Sonrotoclax in combination with zanubrutinib is well tolerated and generally favorable, with very low rates of treatment discontinuation and dose reductions (**Table 2**)
- AEs observed with sonrotoclax + zanubrutinib combination therapy were mostly grades 1 and 2 (**Figure 2**)

Table 2. Dose Modification and AE Summary

	Sonrotoclax 160 mg + zanu (n=51)	Sonrotoclax 320 mg + zanu (n=56)	All Patients (N=107)
Any AEs, n (%)	47 (92.2)	49 (87.5)	96 (89.7)
Grade ≥3	22 (43.1)	21 (37.5)	43 (40.2)
Serious AEs	7 (13.7)	8 (14.3)	15 (14.0)
Leading to death	0	O	0
Leading to dose reduction of zanubrutinib	1 (2.0)	2 (3.6)	3 (2.8)
Leading to discontinuation of zanubrutinib ^a	1 (2.0)	Ο	1 (0.9)
Treated with sonrotoclax, n (%)	41 (80.4)	53 (94.6)	94 (87.9)
Leading to hold of sonrotoclax	11 (26.8)	10 (18.9)	21 (22.3)
Leading to dose reduction of sonrotoclax	2 (4.9)	3 (5.7)	5 (5.3)
Leading to discontinuation of sonrotoclax ^a	1 (2.4)	0	1 (1.1)

^a One patient stopped both sonrotoclax and zanubrutinib due to fungal infection. Figure 2. Most Frequent AEs (Incidence ≥5 Patients)^{a,b}





^a Grade is listed as worst grade experienced by patient on any drug. ^b Hematologic AEs were graded per iwCLL criteria; nonhematologic AEs were graded per CTCAE v5.0 criteria. GERD, gastroesophageal reflux disease; Gr, grade; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.

CONCLUSIONS

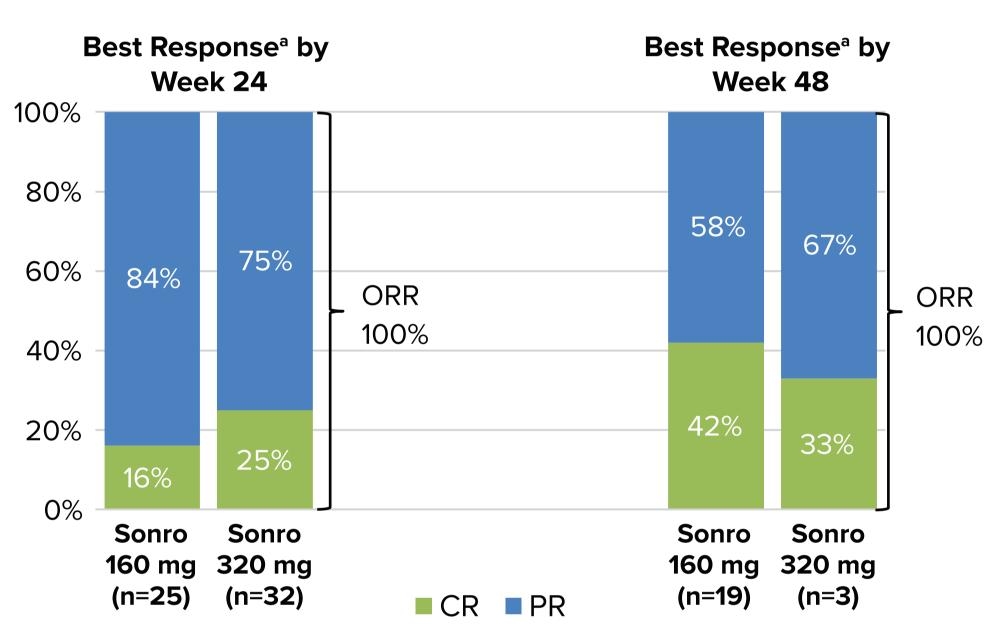
- Sonrotoclax 160 or 320 mg in combination with zanubrutinib 320 mg QD was safe and well tolerated
- No tumor lysis syndrome, no cardiac toxicity, and low rates of gastrointestinal AEs (predominantly Grade 1) occurred
- Efficacy was very promising in this all-comer TN CLL population
- ORR was 100%
- High rate of blood MRD negativity occurred by Week 24, with deepening response by Week 48 of combination therapy
- No PFS events were observed as of the data cut off
- 106/107 of patients remain on treatment
- Based on these data, sonrotoclax 320 mg was selected for the phase 3 study with zanubrutinib in TN CLL

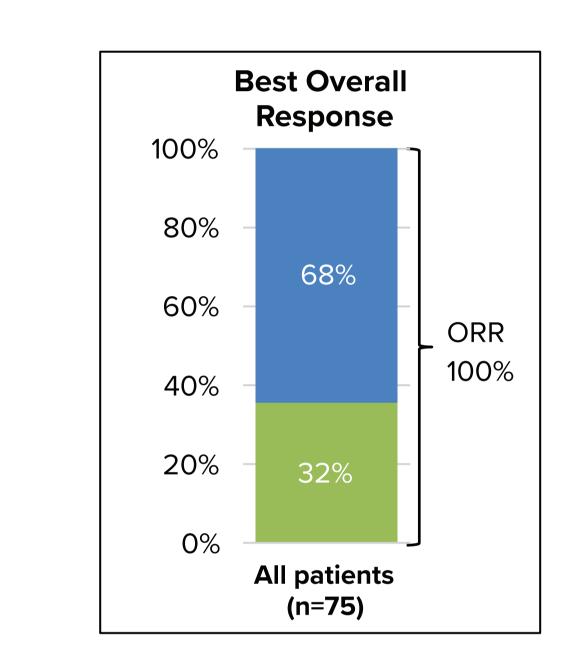
Table 3. TEAEs of Interest

TLSª	No clinical or laboratory TLS was observed with weekly or daily ramp-up	
GI toxicity ^b	Diarrhea events were mostly Grade 1; no dose reductions occurred	
Atrial fibrillation	No atrial fibrillation was observed	
Neutropenia	Most frequent AE (and Grade ≥3 AE); 1 dose reduction/no dose holds, 18 patients (17%) used G-CSF°	
Febrile neutropenia	Observed in 2 patients (2%) assigned to the 160 mg dose level; events resolved without sequelae	
Infections	Low rate of Grade ≥3 infections (8%); pneumonia (n=4) was the only Grade ≥3 infection in more than 1 patient	

a TLS, tumor lysis syndrome, defined by Howard criteria. Done patient experienced multiple episodes of Grade 2 diarrhea so ramp-up was paused at 80 mg, they subsequently increased to 160 mg. Cincludes all patients reporting G-CSF use during treatment, regardless of whether it was used for neutropenia or prophylaxis. G-CSF was used in 7 patients in the 160 mg cohort (14%) and 11 patients in the 320 mg cohort (20%). The median duration was 10 days G-CSF, granulocyte-colony stimulating factor.

Figure 3. Overall Response Rate





Response rates improved with time

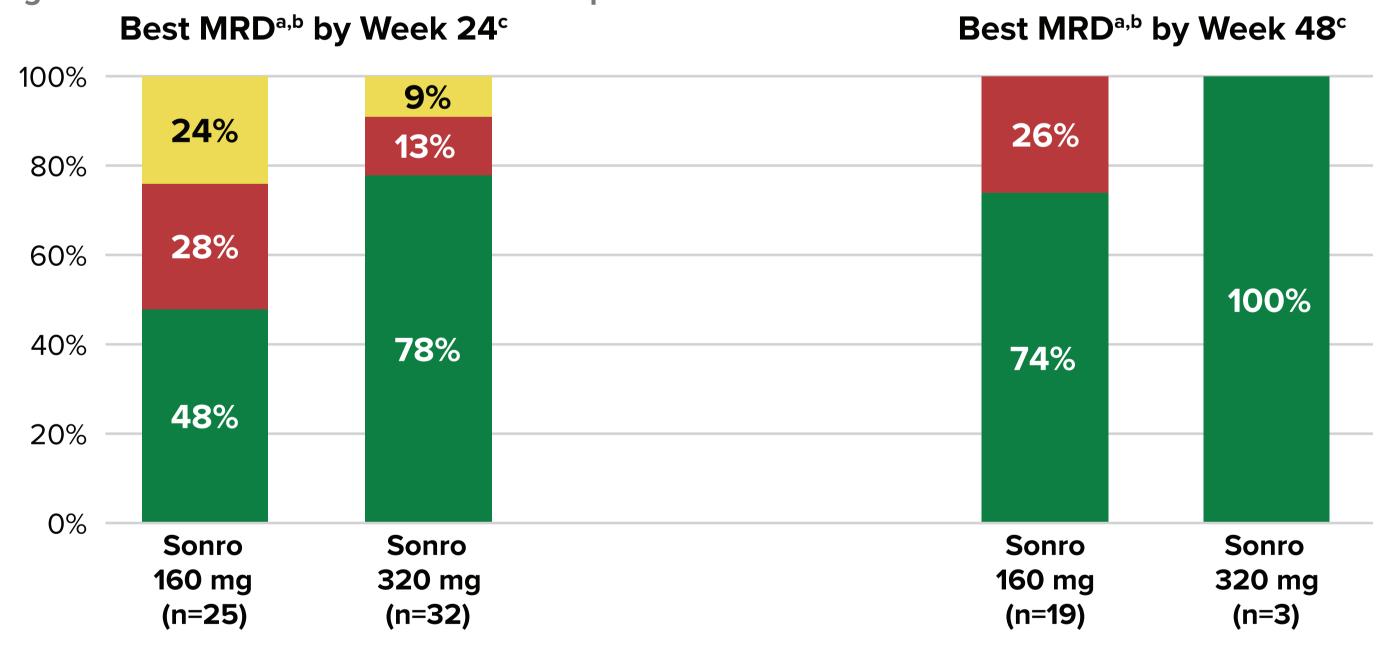
A high rate of undetectable minimal residual disease (uMRD) was achieved at both 160 mg and 320 mg with

evidence of deepening response over time (**Figure 4**)

^a Percentage of response is based on number of patients who have reached the assessment at 24 or 48 weeks after completion of ramp-up, following zanubrutinib monotherapy and sonrotoclax ramp-up to target dose.

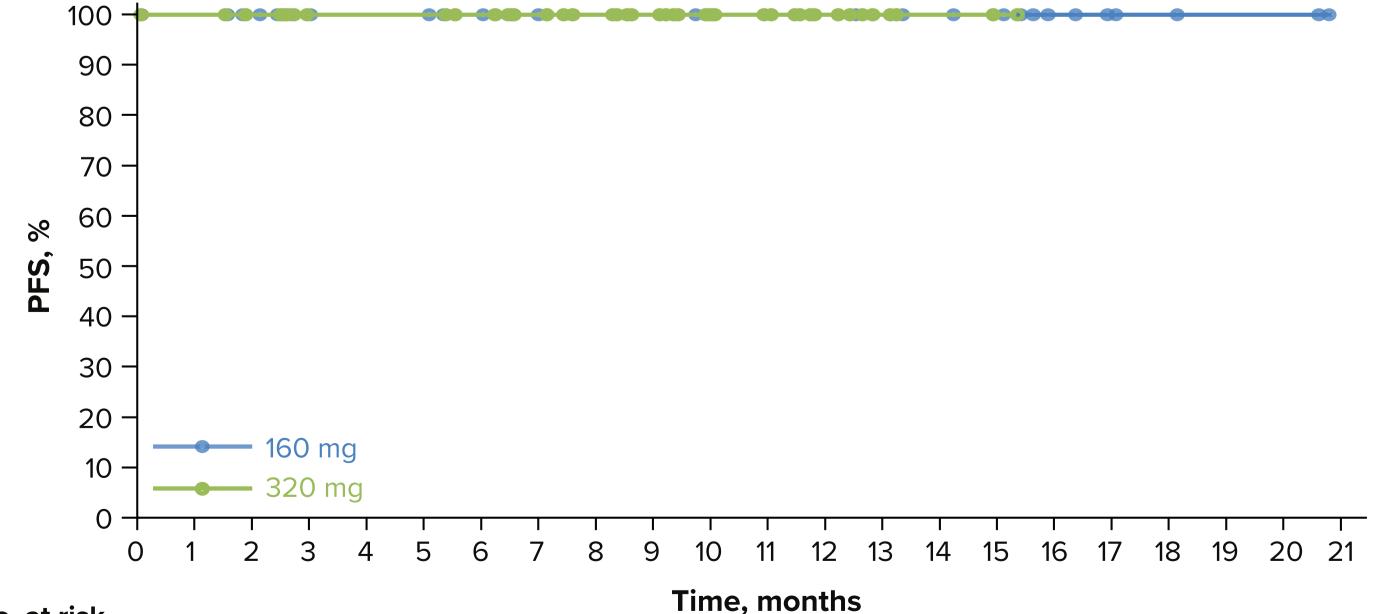
- A trend for higher uMRD rates was observed with 320 mg
- Evidence of deepening response over time
- At a median follow-up of 9.7 months, no patient has experienced disease progression or died at either sonrotoclax dose level (Figure 5)

Figure 4. Minimal Residual Disease in Peripheral Blood



■ uMRD4 Not available a MRD was measured by ERIC flow cytometry with 10-4 sensitivity. uMRD4 is defined as the number of CLL cells of total nucleated cells <10-4. MRD4+ is defined as the number of CLL cells of total nucleated cells >10-4; b MRD is best reported within a 2-week window following the Week 24 Day 1 and Week 48 Day 1 MRD assessment timepoints, respectively; ^c Week 24 or 48 represents 24 or 48 weeks at target dose, following zanubrutinib monotherapy and sonrotoclax ramp-up to target dose.

Figure 5. Progression-Free Survival



No. at risk 160 mg 51 42 40 32 31 31 27 24 24 24 22 22 22 19 17 16 7 5 320 mg 56 53 51 44 44 44 42 36 31 27 20 17 8 4 2 1 0 0 0 0 0

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