

Combination treatment with novel BCL2 inhibitor sonrotoclax (BGB-11417) and zanubrutinib induces high rate of complete remission in patients with relapsed/refractory (R/R) mantle cell lymphoma (MCL)

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ABSTRACT

Aim: Sonrotoclax is a more selective and pharmacologically potent BCL2 inhibitor than venetoclax in biochemical assays. Zanubrutinib, a next-generation BTK inhibitor (BTKi), is approved for R/R MCL and improved PFS and OS vs ibrutinib. Data for sonrotoclax + zanubrutinib in R/R MCL from the ongoing BGB-11417-101 (NCT04277637) study are presented.

Method: Patients with ≥ 1 prior treatment received zanubrutinib (320mg QD/160mg BID) 8-12 weeks before sonrotoclax ramp-up (80/160/320/640mg QD); expansion cohorts followed. Endpoints included safety (CTCAE v5.0) and ORR (Lugano 2014 criteria). TLS was assessed per Howard 2011 criteria.

Results: As of 31Oct2023, 35 patients were enrolled (80mg, n=6; 160mg, n=12; 320mg, n=14; 640mg, n=3). Three patients were in zanubrutinib lead-in; 29 had started sonrotoclax. Overall, patients had a median of 1 prior treatment; 11 had prior autologous stem cell transplant and 3 had prior BTKi. Dose escalation occurred per protocol at all defined doses. No DLTs occurred; MTD was not reached up to 640mg. Sonrotoclax 160 and 320mg were chosen for expansion. Of 9 patients who discontinued treatment, 6 discontinued both drugs and 3 did not complete zanubrutinib lead-in due to early PD. Five patients died from PD (3 during zanubrutinib lead-in). TEAEs in $\geq 20\%$ were neutropenia (31%), contusion (29%), thrombocytopenia (23%), and diarrhea (23%). Neutropenia was the most common grade ≥ 3 TEAE (20%). No TLS or atrial/ventricular fibrillation occurred. In 27 response-evaluable patients, ORR was 85% (18 CR; [67%]). In the dose-expansion, ORRs were 91% (320mg: 10/11; 10 CR) and 88% (160mg: 8/9; 4 CR [44%]) (Figure). Median time to CR was 6.4 months. In 2 patients with progression on prior BTKi, 1 CR and 1 PD were observed.

Conclusion: Sonrotoclax + zanubrutinib was well tolerated and showed promising efficacy in R/R MCL, including deep and durable responses. Expansion of the 320mg cohort is ongoing.

