ZANUBRUTINIB IN PATIENTS WITH RELAPSED/REFRACTORY MANTLE CELL LYMPHOMA: LONG-TERM EFFICACY AND SAFETY RESULTS FROM A PHASE 2 STUDY

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INTRODUCTION

- BTK (Bruton tyrosine kinase) inhibitors are effective therapies for mantle cell lymphoma (MCL)[1]
- Zanubrutinib is a highly selective, potent and irreversible BTK inhibitor approved for treatment of adult patients with MCL who have received ≥ 1 prior therapy[2]
- Zanubrutinib was designed to maximize BTK occupancy and minimize off-target inhibition of TEC- and epidermal growth factor receptor-family kinases with potentially advantageous pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic properties[3,4]
- High activity of zanubrutinib monotherapy in patients with relapsed/refractory (R/R) MCL was demonstrated in a phase 2 study (BGB-3111-206, NCT03206970) after 18.4 months of follow-up[5]
- We present updated efficacy and safety results from the BGB-3111-206 study with ~~3 years of follow-up

METHODS

- BGB-3111-206 was a multicenter, open-label phase 2 study of zanubrutinib monotherapy in patients with R/R MCL (**Figure 1**)
- Key inclusion criteria are 18-75 years of age; diagnosis of R/R MCL confirmed by central histological review; ≥1 to <5 prior therapies; ECOG performance status 0-2; measurable node disease by CT/MRI
- Long-term efficacy was assessed by investigator using PET-based imaging according to the Lugano Classification[6]

Figure 1. BGB-3111-206 Study Design

bid, twice daily; DOR, duration of response; IRC, independent review committee; MCL, mantle cell lymphoma; ORR, overall response rate; PD, progressive disease; PET, positron emission tomography; PFS, progression-free survival; PO, orally; R/R, relapsed/refractory; TTR, time to response.

RESULTS

Patients

- A total of 86 patients with R/R MCL were enrolled across 13 centers in China
- Demographics and baseline characteristics were published previously[5]
  - Median age was 60.5 years (range, 34-75); 83.7% of patients had intermediate-/high-risk disease per MCL International Prognostic Index Combined Biologic Index (MIPI-b)
  - Median prior lines of therapy were 2 (range, 1-4); 52.3% of patients had refractory disease
- As of the cutoff date at risk (8 September 2020), 39 patients (45.3%) remain on zanubrutinib (**Table 1**)

Table 1. Patient Disposition and Treatment Exposure

	All Patients (N=86)
Study follow-up, median (range), months	35.3 (0.3-41.6)
Duration of exposure, median (range), months	27.6 (0.2-41.6)
Relative dose intensity, median (range), %	99.87 (46.0-100.6)
Patients on treatment, n (%)	39 (45.3)
Reason for treatment discontinuation, n (%)	
Progressive disease	37 (43.0)
Adverse event	8 (9.3)
Investigator's discretion	1 (1.2)
Withdrawal of consent[a]	1 (1.2)

[a]Patient achieved a complete response and withdrew consent.

RESULTS *(CONTINUED)*

Efficacy

- The overall response rate was 83.7% (95% CI: 74.2-90.8%) with 77.9% complete response (CR)
  - Investigator-assessed best response rate did not change with longer follow-up (**Table 2**)
- Most patients achieved a response by the first efficacy assessment; median time to response was 2.73 months
- Median duration of response was not reached; the estimated 30-month event-free (progressive disease/death) rate was 57.3% (95% CI: 44.9-67.9%)

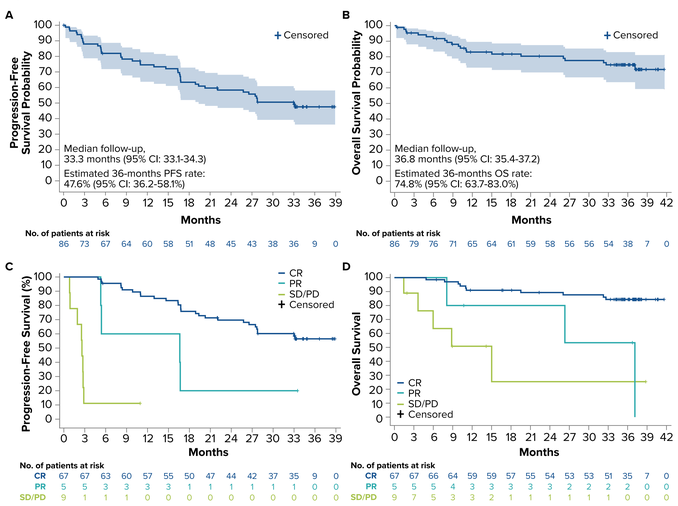
Table 2. Investigator-Assessed Best Response and Duration of Response

	N=86
ORR (CR + PR), % (95% CI)	83.7 (74.2-90.8)
Best response, n (%)	
CR	67 (77.9)
PR	5 (5.8)
SD	1 (1.2)
PD	8 (9.3)
Discontinued prior to first assessment	5 (5.8)
Median time to response, months (range)	2.73 (2.5-3.0)
Median time to CR, months (range)	2.79 (2.5-16.7)
Median DOR, months (95% CI)	NE (24.9-NE)
Event-at risk free rate at 30 months, % (95% CI)	57.3 (44.9-67.9)

CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; NE, not estimable; ORR, overall response rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease.

- Median progression-free survival (PFS) was 33.0 months (95% CI: 19.4-NE) and median overall survival (OS) was not reached (**Figure 2A and B**)
- Favorable survival was observed in patients who achieved CR (**Figure 2C and D**)
  - Median PFS was not reached (95% CI: 27.8-NE [not estimable]), 16.6 months (95% CI: 5.3-NE), and 2.6 months (95% CI: 0.8-2.9) for patients who achieved CR, PR (partial response), or nonresponders (stable disease/progressive disease), respectively

Figure 2. Overall PFS (A) and OS (B) and PFS (C) and OS (D) by Investigator-Assessed Best Response



CR, complete response; OS, overall survival; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease.

- Response was generally consistent across all subgroups analyzed (**Table 3**)
  - PFS was similar in patients with or without refractory disease and blastoid histology
  - Treatment benefit was observed in high-risk patients, though patients with low MIPI-b score, <3 prior lines of therapy or wild-type *TP53* had longer PFS

Table 3. Investigator-Assessed Subgroup Analysis of ORR and PFS

Subgroup	Patients, n	ORR % (95% CI)	PFS Median, (95% CI), months
Blastoid histology			
Yes	12	66.7 (34.9-90.1)	25.0 (2.5-NE)
No	68	86.8 (76.4-93.8)	27.8 (16.8-NE)
MIPI-b			
Low/intermediate	51	94.1 (83.8-98.8)	NE (27.8-NE)
High	33	69.7 (51.3-84.4)	9.1 (5.3-26.5)
Prior line of therapy			
< 3	57	89.5 (78.5-96.0)	NE (19.4-NE)
≥ 3	29	72.4 (52.8-87.3)	22.1 (5.4-33.1)
Refractory disease			
Yes	45	84.4 (70.5-93.5)	NE (16.8-NE)
No	41	82.9 (67.9-92.8)	27.7 (16.6-NE)
***TP53* mutation**			
Wild-type	39	89.7 (75.8-97.1)	NE (19.4-NE)
Mutated	15	80.0 (51.9-95.7)	14.7 (2.9-NE)

MIPI-b, Mantle Cell Lymphoma International Prognostic Index Combined Biologic Index; NE, not estimable; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival.

Safety

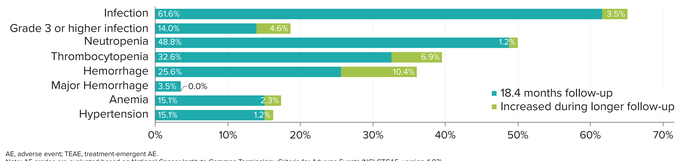
- The safety profile was largely unchanged with longer follow-up
  - No new treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) led to death, treatment discontinuation, or dose reduction during the longer follow-up time (**Table 4**)
  - Most adverse events (AEs) occurred during the early stage of zanubrutinib treatment
    - Four new patients had grade ≥3 TEAEs of any infections, and no new patient had grade ≥3 TEAEs of hypertension or major hemorrhage during the longer follow-up period (**Figure 3**)
  - No cases of atrial fibrillation/flutter, grade ≥3 cardiac AEs, second primary malignancies, or tumor lysis syndrome were reported throughout this study

Table 4. Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs)

	All Patients (N=86)	
	18.4 months follow-up, n (%)	35.3 months follow-up, n (%)
Grade ≥3 TEAEs[a]	36 (41.9)	43 (50.0)
Serious TEAEs	21 (24.4)	25 (29.1)
TEAEs leading to study drug discontinuation	8 (9.3)	8 (9.3)
TEAEs leading to study drug interruption	13 (15.1)	16 (18.6)
TEAEs leading to study drug reduction	2 (2.3)	2 (2.3)
Death due to TEAE[b]	5 (5.8)[c]	5 (5.8)[c]

[a]Adverse event grades are evaluated based on National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (NCI-CTCAE, version 4.03). [b]Death within 30 days of the last dose of zanubrutinib. [c]The 5 deaths due to TEAE included pneumonia, cerebral hemorrhage, traffic accident, and 2 deaths with unknown reason.

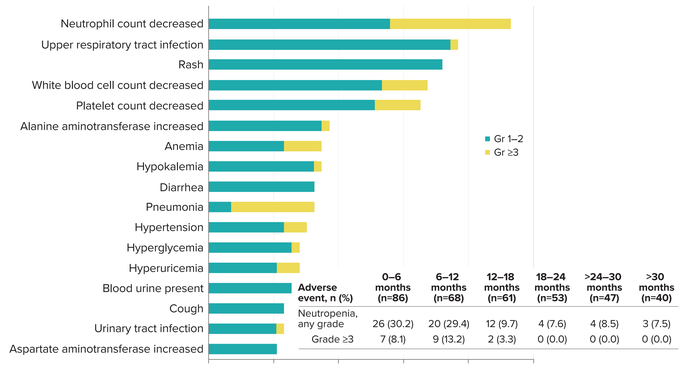
Figure 3. TEAEs of Special Interest (Pooled Terms)



AE, adverse event; TEAE, treatment-emergent AE.
Note: AE grades are evaluated based on National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (NCI-CTCAE, version 4.03).

- With 35.3 months of follow-up, the most common (≥20%) TEAEs observed were decreased neutrophil count (46.5%), upper respiratory tract infection (38.4%), rash (36.0%), decreased white blood cell count (33.7%), and decreased platelet count (32.6%); most were grade 1/2 events (**Figure 4**)
- The prevalence of neutropenia with any grade or grade ≥3 decreased after the first year; no ≥ grade 3 neutropenia occurred after 18 months

Figure 4. TEAEs in ≥10% of Patients Regardless of Causality



Adverse event, n (%)	0–6 months (n=86)	6–12 months (n=68)	12–18 months (n=61)	18–24 months (n=53)	>24–30 months (n=47)	>30 months (n=40)
Neutropenia, any grade	26 (30.2)	20 (29.4)	12 (9.7)	4 (7.6)	4 (8.5)	3 (7.5)
Grade ≥3	7 (8.1)	9 (13.2)	2 (3.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)

Note: AE grades are evaluated based on NCI-CTCAE (version 4.03). AEs were coded using MedDRA Version 23.0. Preferred terms are listed.
AE, adverse event; TEAE, treatment-emergent AE.

CONCLUSIONS

- With 35.3 months follow-up, zanubrutinib continuously showed high, deep, and sustained efficacy in patients with R/R MCL
- The new TEAEs reported during the follow-up period were limited, and there were no new safety concerns
- These results further establish long-term benefit and tolerability for continuous zanubrutinib treatment in patients with R/R MCL

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