# Zanubrutinib in Combination with Venetoclax for Patients with Treatment-Naïve Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia or Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma and del(17p): Arm D of the SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304) Trial

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# Introduction

- Targeted therapies have demonstrated improved outcomes for patients with del(17p) CLL/SLL<sup>1,2</sup>
- Zanubrutinib (BGB-3111) is a highly selective next-generation BTK inhibitor designed to maximize BTK occupancy and minimize off-target effects<sup>3,4</sup>
  - –Arm C of the SEQUOIA trial suggested that zanubrutinib monotherapy was active (ORR of 94.5%) and well-tolerated in treatment-naïve patients with del(17p) CLL/SLL<sup>5</sup>
  - –In the ASPEN study of patients with Waldenström macroglobulinemia, zanubrutinib was associated with important safety advantages compared to ibrutinib, including atrial fibrillation (zanubrutinib 2% vs. ibrutinib 15%) and hypertension (zanubrutinib 6% vs. ibrutinib 11%)<sup>6</sup>

AE, adverse event; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL/SLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma; deletion 17p13.1, del(17p); ORR, overall response rate. 1. O'Brien S, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2016;17:1409-1418. 2. Stilgenbauer S, et al. *J Clin Onc.* 2018;36(19):1973-1980. 3. Guo Y, et al. *J Med Chem.* 2019;62:7923-7940. 4. Tam CS, et al. *Blood.* 2019;134:851-859. 5. Tam C, et al. *Haematologica.* 2020 epub ahead of print. 6. Tam CS, et al. *Blood.* 2020;136:2038-2050.

# **Rationale for Combining Zanubrutinib and Venetoclax**

- Data from phase 2 studies combining BCL-2 and BTK inhibitors in patients with CLL suggest these regimens are tolerable with synergistic activity<sup>1-3</sup>
- Novel regimens that result in uMRD status have the potential to alter the CLL/SLL treatment landscape and may enable fixed duration therapy
- In the BOVen study, 62% of treatment-naïve patients with CLL administered zanubrutinib + venetoclax + obinutuzumab met the uMRD endpoint and discontinued treatment per protocol<sup>4</sup>
  - -100% of patients had a best response of PR or higher, including 43% of patients with a best response of CR/CRi

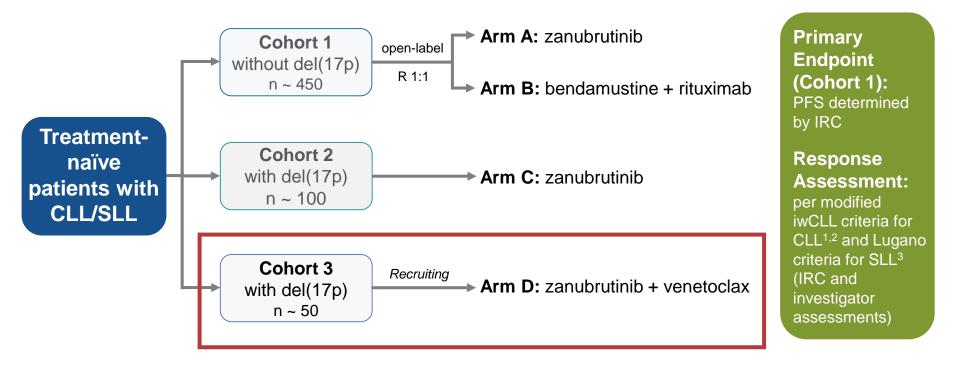
BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CR, complete response; CRi, CR with incomplete blood count recovery; PR, partial response; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma; uMRD, undetectable minimal residual disease.

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## SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304) Overall Study Design

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CLL/SLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma; IRC, independent review committee; iwCLL, international workshop on CLL; PFS: progression-free survival; R, randomized. 1. Hallek M, et al. *Blood.* 2008;111:5446-5456. 2. Cheson BD, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30:2820-2822. 3. Cheson BD, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2014;32:3059-3067.

## SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304) Arm D Key Eligibility Criteria

Key Inclusion Criteria	Key Exclusion Criteria
CLL or SLL by iwCLL criteria requiring treatment	Previous systemic treatment for CLL/SLL
Central assessment of del(17p) by FISH with > 7% aberrant nuclei present	Prolymphocytic leukemia or Richter's transformation
Measurable disease by CT/MRI	Clinically significant cardiovascular disease
ECOG PS ≤ 2	CNS involvement by leukemia or lymphoma
Adequate marrow and organ function	Active fungal, bacterial, or viral infection requiring systemic therapy

#### **Permitted medications**: anticoagulation and CYP3A inhibitors **Prohibited medications**: warfarin and warfarin derivatives (venetoclax contraindication)

CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CNS, central nervous system; CT/MRI, computed tomography/magnetic resonance imaging; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; FISH, fluorescence in situ hybridization; iwCLL, international workshop on CLL; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma; TN, treatment naive.

### SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304) Arm D Secondary & Exploratory End Points

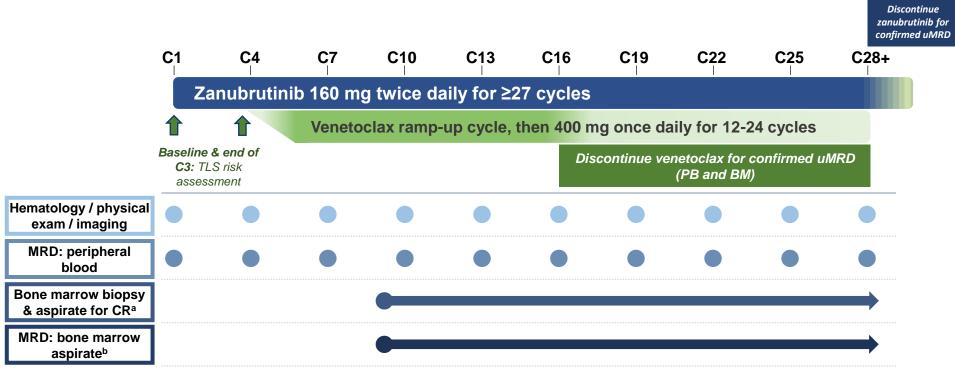
#### Secondary End Points:

- Overall response rate, determined by investigator review
- Progression-free survival, determined by investigator review
- Duration of response, determined by investigator review
- Rate of undetectable MRD at <10<sup>-4</sup> sensitivity at various timepoints
- -Safety summary
- -Pharmacokinetics of zanubrutinib

#### Exploratory End Points:

- -Overall survival
- -Patient-reported outcomes
- -Pharmacokinetics of venetoclax
- Time to recurrence of detectable MRD after discontinuation of zanubrutinib and/or venetoclax

#### SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304) Arm D Treatment Regimen and Response Assessment Schedule



BM, bone marrow; PB, peripheral blood; C, cycle; CR, complete response; CRi, CR with incomplete blood count recovery; PD, progressive disease; TLS, tumor lysis syndrome; uMRD, undetectable minimal residual disease (at <10<sup>-4</sup> sensitivity by flow cytometry).

<sup>a</sup>Bone marrow biopsy and aspirate are required to confirm a suspected CR/CRi, starting after cycle 9 and then annually if needed.

<sup>b</sup>Patients with confirmed CR/CRi and two negative peripheral blood MRD tests must have two consecutive bone marrow aspirate MRD tests that meet uMRD requirements for dose stopping.

#### **SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304)** Arm D Study Status and Enrollment

- Arm D enrollment began in November 2019; planned enrollment ~ 50 patients
- Recruitment is ongoing from sites in 8 countries:
  - -US, UK, France, Sweden, Poland, Italy, Australia, New Zealand

