

# Future Directions in Myeloma Post ASCO: Clinical Trials

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# Optimizing Dosing Schedule

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# Once-weekly Versus Twice-weekly Carfilzomib Dosing in Patients with Relapsed and Refractory Multiple Myeloma: Results of the Randomized Phase 3 Study A.R.R.O.W.

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## A.R.R.O.W. Study Rationale

- To develop a more convenient carfilzomib regimen, once-weekly Kd was assessed in the phase 1/2 CHAMPION-1 study in RRMM patients who had 1-3 prior lines of therapy!
  - Established the maximum tolerated dose (MTD) of carfilzomib at 70 mg/m<sup>2</sup>
  - ORR was 77% and median PFS was 12.6 months; grade ≥3 AEs occurred in 62% of patients at MTD
- Based on promising results of the CHAMPION-1 study and to further explore the once-weekly regimen, the A.R.R.O.W. study was initiated to compare once-weekly Kd at 70 mg/m<sup>2</sup> with twice-weekly Kd at 27 mg/m<sup>2</sup> in patients with relapsed and refractory multiple myeloma

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## A.R.R.O.W. Study Design

### 1:1 Randomization

N = 478

- Relapsed and Refractory MM
- 2-3 prior lines
- Prior exposure to IMiD & PI (except carfilzomib or oprozomib)
- PS 0-1
- CrCl of ≥30 mL/min

### Stratification:

- ISS stage
- Refractory to bortezomib
- Age (<65 vs. ≥65)

### Arm A: Once-weekly carfilzomib + dex

(30 min infusion of K)  
 Carfilzomib 20 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV D1 (Cycle 1)  
 Carfilzomib 70 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV D8, 15 (Cycle 1), D1, 8, 15 (Cycle 2+)  
 Dexamethasone 40 mg IV/PO D1, 8, 15 (All cycles)  
 Dexamethasone 40 mg IV/PO D22 (Cycles 1-9 only)

### Arm B: Twice-weekly carfilzomib + dex

(10 min infusion of K)  
 Carfilzomib 20 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV D1, 2 (Cycle 1)  
 Carfilzomib 27 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV D8, 9, 15, 16 (Cycle 1), D1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16 (Cycle 2+)  
 Dexamethasone 40 mg IV/PO D1, 8, 15 (All cycles)  
 Dexamethasone 40 mg IV/PO D22 (Cycles 1-9 only)

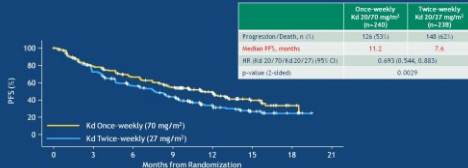
Primary end point: PFS

CrCl, creatinine clearance; D, day; IMiD, immunomodulator; ISS, International staging system; IV, intravenous; K, carfilzomib; PO, progressive disease; PI, proteasome inhibitor; PFS, by month

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## Primary Endpoint: PFS



Number of Patients at Risk:

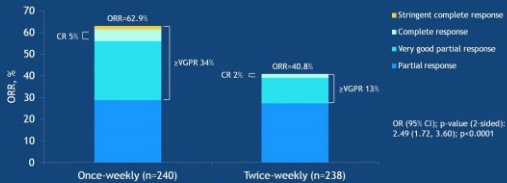
Months from Randomization	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21
Kd 20/70	240	178	145	114	89	74	5	0
Kd 20/27	238	164	119	86	41	15	4	0

Data cutoff date: June 15, 2017 Median follow-up: 12.4 (once-weekly) and 12.0 (twice-weekly) months

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## Overall Response Rates



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## Adverse Events Summary

Category	Once-weekly Kd (n=238)	Twice-weekly Kd (n=235)
Median duration of treatment, weeks	38.0	29.1
Carfilzomib	37.1	29.1
Dexamethasone		
TEAEs, %		
Any grade AE	95	97
Grade ≥3 AE	68	62
Serious AE	43	41
Leading to carfilzomib discontinuation	13	12
Leading to carfilzomib dose reduction	11	5
Deaths on study, %	9	8
Treatment-related deaths n (%)	5 (2%) <sup>a</sup>	1 (<1%) <sup>b</sup>

- <sup>a</sup> sepsis (1), acute respiratory distress syndrome (1), acute lung injury (1), tumor lysis syndrome (1), unknown (1)
- <sup>b</sup> congestive heart failure (1)
- Exposure-adjusted incidence of grade ≥3 AEs was slightly higher in once-weekly vs twice-weekly group, but the exposure-adjusted for SAEs, AEs leading to carfilzomib discontinuation, or death were similar between the treatment groups

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## Adverse Events of Interest

AE, % (SMQN)	Once-weekly Kd (n=238)		Twice-weekly Kd (n=235)	
	All grades	Grade ≥3	All grades	Grade ≥3
Peripheral neuropathy	4	0	7	<1
Acute renal failure	7	4	7	6
Cardiac failure	4	3	5	4
Ischemic heart disease	2	1	1	1
Pulmonary hypertension	2	0	1	<1

- Safety findings were consistent with the known safety profile of carfilzomib, and no new risks were identified.

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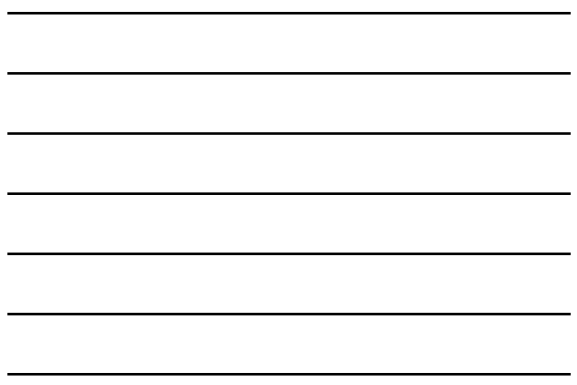
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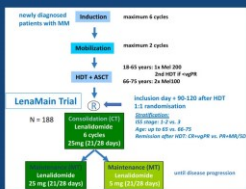
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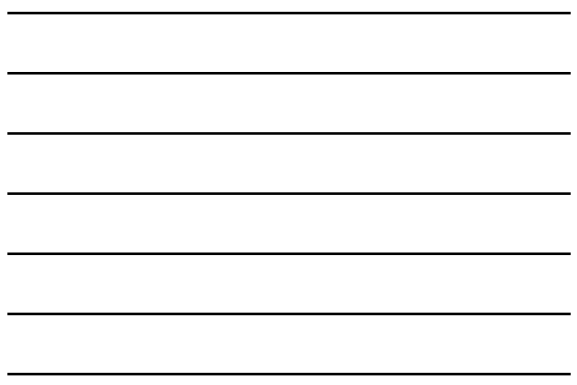
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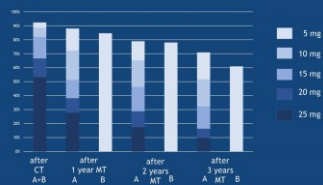
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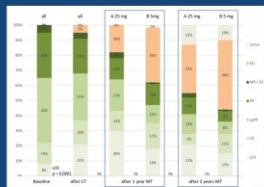
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## Response

- Remission category improved in 26% of pts during CT and 16% (5% and 7% (3%)) during first (second) year of MT in Arm A 25 mg and Arm B 5 mg
- Looking at best response at any time during MT, 36 % and 23 % of pts in arm A and B achieved sCR (p = 0.08)

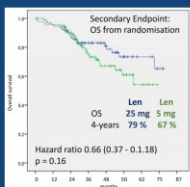
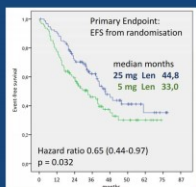


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## Safety

	Arm A 25 mg	Arm B 5 mg
Discontinuation	61 (55%)	74 (78%)
due to disease progression	27 (29%)	42 (45%)
due to AE	27 (29%)	26 (28%)
due to death*	3 (3%)	1 (1%)
due to refusal	4 (4%)	5 (5%)
Median time until EOT (median, range; months)	26.8 (0.5 - 87)	22.9 (0.3 - 69)
AEs		
any AE	100 %	100 %
any AE ≥ grade 3	87.5 %	84.6 %
any AE ≥ grade 4	27.1 %	12.5 %
any SAE	61.7 %	56.3 %
SAE	97	53
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\* Cause of death: 2x infection (1x refusal of ICU treatment), 1x untreated infection, 1x LAU, 1x sudden death

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## Conclusions

- Low-dose lenalidomide is associated with significantly shorter EFS compared to the concept of upholding high-dose lenalidomide.
- The rate of toxicity observed and the need for dose reductions in most patients requires reconsideration of the high-dose schedule and awaits outcomes of long-term OS analyses

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## Phase 2 Study of Venetoclax Plus Carfilzomib and Dexamethasone in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma

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## Study Overview

- Phase 2, dose-escalation study of venetoclax combined with K and dexamethasone (VenKd) for relapsed/refractory MM (NCT02899052)
  - Part 1: Dose escalation; Part 2: Expansion with selected dose
  - Primary study objectives: Safety and tolerability
  - Secondary and exploratory objectives: PK, ORR, TTP, DoR, MRD sub-study by FDG-PET scan imaging

### Key Inclusion criteria:

- Previously treated MM (1-3 prior therapy)
  - Plasmacytoma (besides K) were allowed
- Measurable Disease
  - M-protein  $\geq 0.5$  g/dL (serum)/ $\geq 200$  mg/24h (urine)
  - sFLC  $\geq 10$  mg/dL
- ECOG Score  $\leq 2$
- Adequate Organ Function
  - ANC  $\geq 1000/\mu\text{L}$       - Hb  $\geq 8$  g/dL
  - Platelets  $\geq 50,000/\text{mm}^3$       - CrCl  $\geq 30$  mL/min

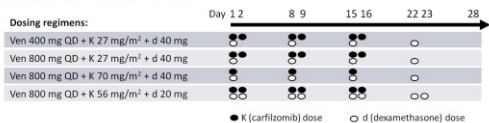
### Key Exclusion criteria:

- Prior treatment with K
- Grade 3 or 4 peripheral neuropathy
- Significant cardiovascular disease, including uncontrolled angina, hypertension, arrhythmia, and LVEF  $\leq 40\%$

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## Dosing

- Patients received treatment in 28-day cycles:

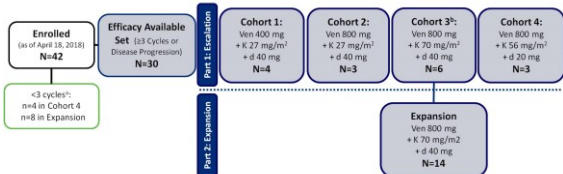


- Carfilzomib was administered at 20mg/m<sup>2</sup> on cycle 1 days 1 and 2
- The 27mg/m<sup>2</sup> and 56mg/m<sup>2</sup> carfilzomib twice weekly dosing were based on the USPI
- Patients stay on combination therapy for up to 18 cycles with the option to continue on venetoclax monotherapy

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## Enrollment and Patient Disposition



a. 1 discontinued by withdrawing consent, and 2 people who did not complete 1 cycle discontinued due to an AE (shortness of breath) or death (influenza and pneumonia)  
 b. This dose combination was selected for the expansion based on patient convenience and the CHAMPION-1 study results (Benson et al Blood 2016)  
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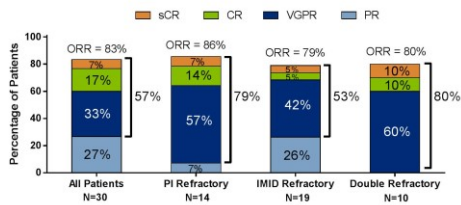
## Summary of Safety (N=42)

Adverse event, n (%)	Any Grade	Grade 3/4	Serious adverse event	n (%)
Any adverse event	40 (95)	29 (69)	Any serious event	12 (29)
AEs for ≥20% of patients for any grade or for ≥10% with grade 3/4				
Diarrhea	24 (57)	0	Serious adverse events in ≥2 patients	
Fatigue	17 (41)	3 (7)	Acute kidney injury	2 (5)
Platelet count decreased	15 (36)	3 (7)	Congestive heart failure	2 (5)
Nausea	14 (33)	1 (2)	Influenza	2 (5)
Lymphocyte count decreased	13 (31)	10 (24)	Pneumonia	2 (5)
Dyspnea	10 (24)	2 (5)	Other SAEs of interest	
Insomnia	10 (24)	1 (2)	TLS	1 (2) <sup>1</sup>
WBC count decreased	9 (21)	4 (10)		
<b>Other AEs of interest</b>				
Hypertension	4 (10)	3 (7)		

By MedDRA preferred terms  
 a patient was t(11;14) positive with >80% BM infiltration at screening, was hospitalized, received hydration and albumin, TLS labs resolved and treatment resumed  
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## Objective Responses in All Patients and Those Refractory to PIs and IMiDs



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## Conclusions

- To date, the combination of VenKd appears tolerable with no additional safety concerns
  - Once weekly dose of carfilzomib (70mg/m<sup>2</sup>) was selected based on patient convenience and the CHAMPION-1 study results<sup>1</sup>
- VenKd has shown promising preliminary efficacy (ORR of 83%, and ≥VGPR of 57%) that supports the investigation of this combination in patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma
  - While responses in the small subset of t(11;14) patients were highest, high-risk and standard-risk patients had comparable responses with VenKd
- Venetoclax exposures when co-administered with carfilzomib appear comparable to those observed when venetoclax was co-administered with bortezomib
- The study continues with 42 patients enrolled to date

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# New combinations with "old" drugs



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## Pomalidomide, Bortezomib, and Low-Dose Dexamethasone (PVD) vs Bortezomib and Low-Dose Dexamethasone (Vd) in Lenalidomide-Exposed Patients With Relapsed or Refractory Multiple Myeloma: Phase 3 OPTIMISMM Trial

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### PHASE 3 OPTIMISMM STUDY DESIGN

**RBMM**  
 • 1-3 prior regimens, ≥ 2 cycles of LEN  
 • ECOG PS ≤ 2  
 • Prior BORT allowed (PD with 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> twice weekly dose excluded)  
 N = 559

**21-day cycle**

**PVD (n = 281)**  
 FOM: 4 mg D 1, 14  
 BORT: 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1, 4, 8, 11  
 LODEX: cycles 1-8: D 1, 4, 8, 11  
 cycles 9-11: D 1, 4, 8  
 day of and day after BORT

**Vd (n = 278)**  
 BORT: 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1, 4, 8, 11  
 LODEX: cycles 1-8: D 1, 4, 8, 11  
 cycles 9-11: D 1, 4, 8  
 day of and day after BORT

PD or unacceptable toxicity

Follow-up visit 28 days after Tx discontinuation

LT follow-up

PD, subsequent anti-myeloma Tx, and survival

Enter PFS follow-up period\*

**Stratification**  
 - Age (≤ 75 y vs > 75 y)  
 - Prior regimens (1 vs > 1)  
 - β2-microglobulin at screening (< 3.5 mg/L vs ≥ 3.5 to ≤ 5.5 mg/L vs > 5.5 mg/L)

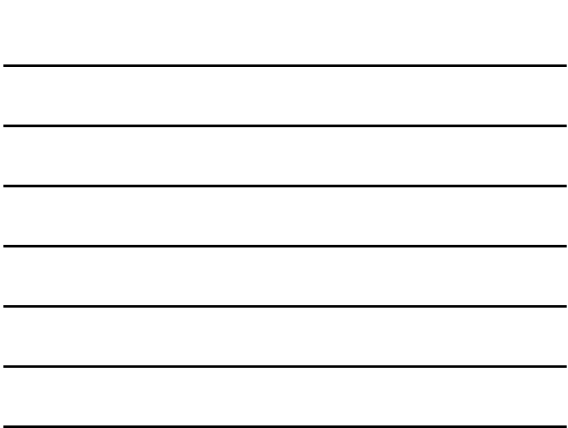
**Study endpoints**  
 - Primary: PFS  
 - Secondary: OS, ORR by IRWiG criteria, DOR, safety  
 - Key exploratory: TTR, PFS2, efficacy analysis in subgroups

**Data cutoff:** October 26, 2017

\*Patients with PD during therapy or within 60 days of the last dose of a BORT-containing therapy under the approved dosing schedule of 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> twice weekly were included. \*Efficacy evaluated every 21 days (D 21 days) until PD.  
 BORT, bortezomib; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; FOM, fentanyl; LODEX, lenalidomide; PD, progression-free survival; PFS, time to response.

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### PATIENT DISPOSITION (ITT)

- Median treatment duration: 8.8 months with PVd vs 4.9 months with Vd
- Median follow-up: 15.9 months
- Most common reason for treatment discontinuation was PD

Characteristic	PVd (n = 281) <sup>a</sup>	Vd (n = 278) <sup>b</sup>
Median duration of treatment, months <sup>c</sup>	8.8	4.9
Ongoing treatment, n (%)	93 (33.1)	45 (16.2)
Discontinued treatment, n (%)	185 (65.8)	225 (80.9)
PD	110 (39.1)	131 (47.1)
AE	30 (10.7)	49 (17.6)
Withdrawal of consent	21 (7.5)	21 (7.6)
Death (all cause)	18 (6.4)	9 (3.2)
Other <sup>d</sup>	6 (2.1)	15 (5.4)

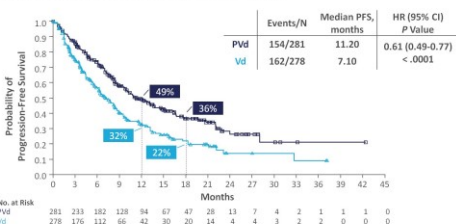
<sup>a</sup> 3 patients did not receive treatment to the PVd arm; <sup>b</sup> 3 patients did not receive treatment to the Vd arm; <sup>c</sup> Calculated in the safety population; PVd, n = 276; Vd, n = 276; <sup>d</sup> Other included other reasons, loss to follow-up, and progression.

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### PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL (ITT)

- PVd reduced the risk of progression and death by 39% compared with Vd

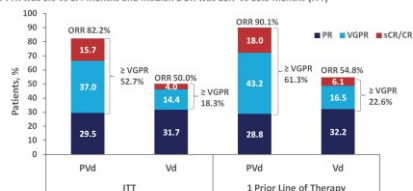


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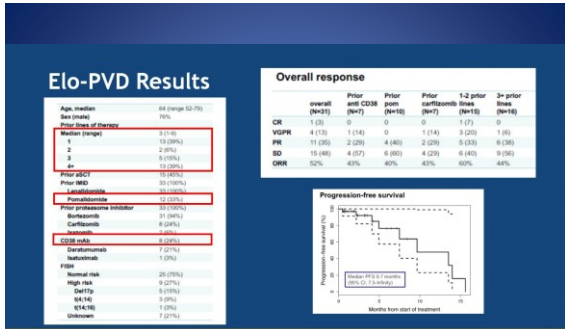
- ORR was significantly higher with PVd vs Vd in the ITT population (P < .001) and in patients with 1 prior line of therapy (P < .001)
- PVd led to deeper responses with higher SCR/CR and ≥ VGPR rates vs Vd
- Median TTR was 0.9 vs 1.4 months and median DOR was 13.7 vs 10.9 months (ITT)



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3: Wei et al., ASCO 2018 abstract 8012

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### Subcutaneous daratumumab in patients with relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma (RRMM): Part 2 update of the open label, multicenter, dose escalation Phase Ib study (PAVO) (abstract 8013)

- IV Dara is safe but
  - IRR occur in about 40-50% of patients / mostly first infusions
  - First infusion duration of about 7 hours
- Dara SC : pre-mixed co-formulation of daratumumab and recombinant human hyaluronidase with a higher daratumumab concentration, lower injection volume, and shorter injection time with manual SC injection in the abdomen
- Dara SC: IRR 4% and ORR 42% (ASH 2017) <sup>1</sup>
- Dara SC + CyBorD (ANDROMEDA): IRR 2/15 pts (13%) <sup>2</sup>

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Chari et al., ASCO 2018 abstract 8013  
1: Chari et al. JCO 2017 abstract 638  
2: Gonzalez et al., ASCO 2018 abstract 8011

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### Dara IV or SC?

	Dara IV <sup>1</sup>	Dara SC <sup>2</sup> N=25
Median number of prior therapies	5 (2-14)	3 (2-9)
Refractoriness	86% double refractory	56% double refractory
ORR	31%	52%
Administration time	First infusion - 7h Second infusion - 4.3h Third infusion - 3.5h	3-5 min
IRR	40-50%	16%

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1: Usmani SZ, et al. Blood. 2016;128(1):37-44  
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## Smoldering Myeloma

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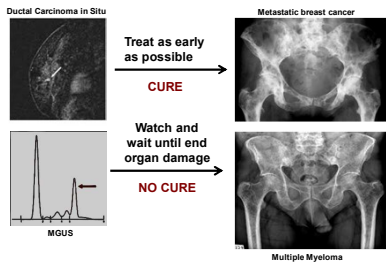
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### Is it time to treat patients with Smoldering MM




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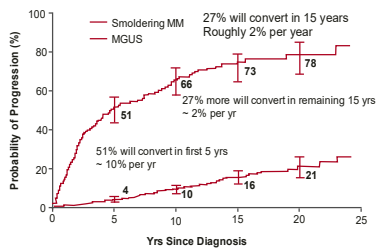
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### Which patient population to consider for SMM?




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### Evolution pattern of the M-spike: evolving vs nonevolving (n:207)

**Evolving SMM (52 (25%)):** at least 10% increase within the first 6 months from diagnosis when M-Protein was  $\geq 30$  g/L or progressive increase in M-Protein in each of the annual consecutive measurements during a period of 3 years in patients with an initial MP < 30 g/L

**Non-evolving (75%):** Stable serum M-protein until progression occurs

**Evolving SMM**

- Risk progression at 2 years: 45%
- Risk progression at 5 years: 78%
- IgA isotype: (41,2% frente a 23,8%, p=0,02)

Fernández Lamea C et al. ASH 2014

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### Which patient population to consider for high risk SMM?

*Each model appears to identify patients at high risk, with some but not complete overlap*

**Bone marrow clonal plasma cells  $\geq 10\%$  and any one or more of the following:**

- Serum M protein  $\geq 3.0$ g/dL
- IgA SMM
- Immunoparesis with reduction of two uninvolved immunoglobulin isotypes
- Serum involved/uninvolved free light chain ratio  $\geq 8$  (but less than 100)
- Progressive increase in M protein level (Evolving type of SMM)
- Bone marrow clonal plasma cells 50-60%
- Abnormal plasma cell immunophenotype ( $\geq 95\%$  of bone marrow plasma cells are clonal) and reduction of one or more uninvolved immunoglobulin isotypes
- t (4;14) or del 17p or 1q gain
- Increased circulating plasma cells
- MRI with diffuse abnormalities or 1 focal lesion ( $\geq 5$ mm)
- PET-CT with one focal lesion ( $\geq 5$ mm) with increased uptake without underlying osteolytic bone destruction
- Monoclonal light chain excretion of 500mg/24 hours or higher

Rajkumar et al. Blood 2015

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### Should we consider therapeutic interventions in SMM

Manser, Salem, et al. Nat Rev Clin Oncol, 2016

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### Should we use single agents or combination therapy to treat high-risk SMM

Whole-exome and targeted sequencing of SMM BM samples

Genomic profile of high risk SMM indicates that it is similar to overt MM

Bustosis et al. Unpublished data

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### Treatment goals for high-risk smoldering myeloma

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### Early Therapeutic Intervention

#### Lenalidomide plus Dexamethasone for High-Risk Smoldering Multiple Myeloma

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No. at Risk	0	10	20	30	40	50	60
Treatment group	57	57	48	38	20	14	0
Observation group	62	49	32	21	11	3	0

Mateos MV, et al. NEJM 2013  
Mateos MV, et al. Lancet Oncology 2016

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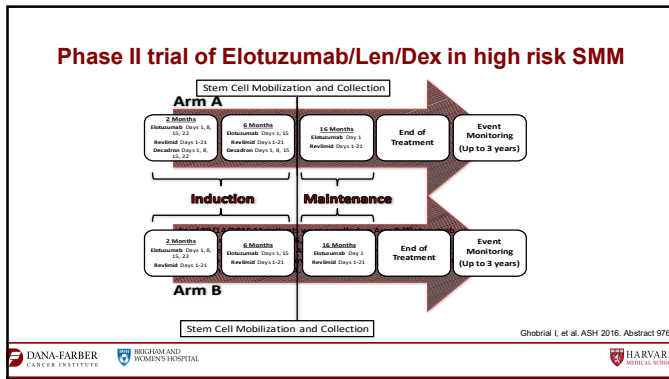
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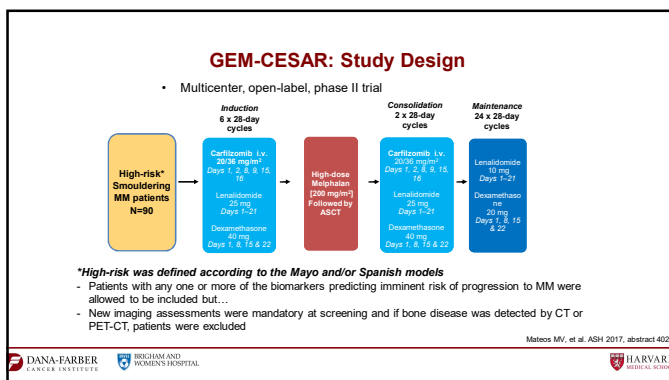
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### Current Studies in High-Risk Smoldering MM

- Lenalidomide or observation (phase III)<sup>1</sup>
- Ixazomib + lenalidomide + dexamethasone (phase II)<sup>2</sup>
- Isatuximab (phase II)<sup>3</sup>
- Daratumumab single agent at different doses (Centaurus trial)<sup>4</sup>
- Dara ph II for high-risk MGUS and low-risk smoldering<sup>5</sup>
- Randomized Ph III AQUILA (sc)<sup>6</sup>

A Study of Subcutaneous Daratumumab Versus Active Monitoring in Participants With High-Risk Smoldering Multiple Myeloma

Recruitment status: Recruiting  
 Start date: November 2017  
 Estimated completion date: December 2025

1. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT01169337.      4. Hofmeister CC, et al. Blood 2017 130:510  
 2. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT02916771.      5. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT03236428.  
 3. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT02969355.      6. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT03301220.

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**Predicting progression of developing Myeloma in a High-Risk screened population (PROMISE)**

**High risk population** (2-45 years)

- African-American
- First Degree relative with plasma cell dyscrasia

**Screening Assessments**

- SPEP and IFLC

**Staging Based on Screening Outcome**

- Positive Result: MGUS, SMM
- Negative Result: Yearly Follow Up With Re-Screening every 3 years

**Monitoring and Reclassification**

- Monitoring Q6 Months
- Monitoring Q3 Months
- Follow Until Progression to Multiple Myeloma

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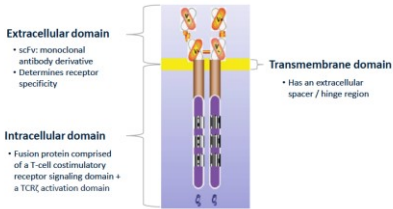
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### Generic Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR)




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### B cell maturation antigen (BCMA)

- Consistently expressed on plasma cells/MM cells<sup>1</sup>
- Possibly protects MM cells in BM niche<sup>2</sup>
- BMCA expression increases with disease progression<sup>3</sup>
- Limited expression on normal, non-hematopoietic cells<sup>1</sup>

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1. Carpenter et al. Clinical Cancer Research. 2013  
 2. Novak et al. Blood 2004  
 3. Sanchez. 2012

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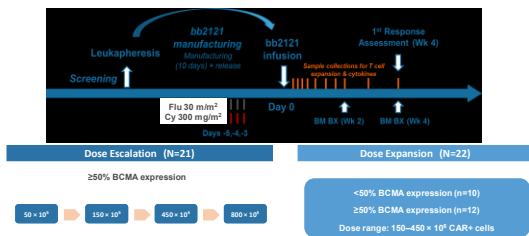
ABSTRACT 8007

**bb2121 Anti-BCMA CAR T Cell Therapy in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma: Updated Results From a Multicenter Phase I Study**

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CRB-401 PHASE 1 STUDY DESIGN



Manufacturing success rate of 100%



TREATMENT HISTORY

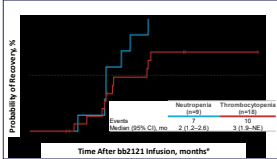
	Escalation (N=21)		Expansion (N=22)	
Median (min, max) prior regimens	7 (3, 14)		8 (3, 23)	
Prior autologous SCT, n (%)	21 (100)		19 (86)	
0			3 (14)	
1	15 (71)		14 (64)	
>1	6 (29)		5 (23)	
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Prior therapies, n (%)				
Bortezomib	21 (100)	14 (67)	22 (100)	16 (73)
Carfilzomib	19 (91)	12 (57)	21 (96)	14 (64)
Lenalidomide	21 (100)	19 (91)	22 (100)	18 (82)
Pomalidomide	19 (91)	15 (71)	22 (100)	21 (96)
Daratumumab	15 (71)	10 (48)	22 (100)	19 (86)
Exposed/Refractory, n (%)				
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Bort/Len/Car/Pom/Dara	15 (71)	6 (29)	21 (96)	7 (32)

Data cutoff: March 29, 2018. SCT, stem cell transplant.

ADVERSE EVENTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

CAR T Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events All Infused Patients (N=43)		
TEAE, n (%)	Overall	Grade ≥3
Cytokine release syndrome <sup>a</sup>	27 (63)	2 (5)
Neurotoxicity <sup>b</sup>	14 (33)	1 (2)
Neutropenia	35 (81)	34 (79)
Thrombocytopenia	26 (61)	22 (51)
Anemia	24 (56)	19 (44)
Infection <sup>c</sup>		
Overall	26 (61)	9 (21)
First Month	10 (23)	2 (5)

Time to Recovery of Grade 3/4 Cytopenias in Patients Without Recovery by Month 1<sup>d</sup>

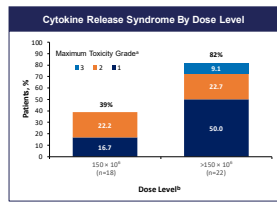


- No grade 4 CRS events
- No fatal CRS or neurotoxicity events
- 31/40 (78%) recovered ANC to ≥1000/ $\mu$ L by Day 32
- 22/40 (55%) recovered PLT to ≥50,000/ $\mu$ L by Day 32

Data cutoff: March 31, 2018. TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; neurotoxicity, grade 3 or 4 neurotoxicity; infection, bacterial, viral, fungal, or other infection; neutropenia, absolute neutrophil count < 500/ $\mu$ L; thrombocytopenia, platelet count < 50,000/ $\mu$ L; anemia, hemoglobin < 10 g/dL; infection, bacterial, viral, fungal, or other infection; overall, all patients; first month, first 30 days after infusion; median, the middle value; 95% CI, 95% confidence interval; \*Time from first bb2121 infusion to the first grade 3/4 event after Day 32.

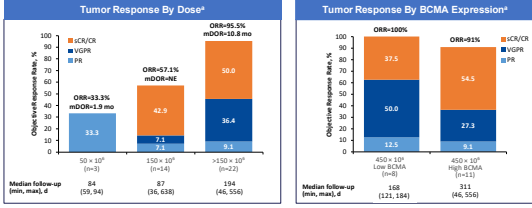
CYTOKINE RELEASE SYNDROME: MOSTLY LOW GRADE AND MANAGEABLE

Cytokine Release Syndrome Parameters	
Parameter	Dosed Patients (N=43)
Patients with a CRS event, n (%)	27 (63)
Maximum CRS grade <sup>a</sup>	
None	16 (37)
1	16 (37)
2	9 (21)
3	2 (5)
4	0
Median (min, max) time to onset, d	2 (1, 25)
Median (min, max) duration, d	6 (1, 32)
Tocilizumab use, n (%)	9 (21)
Corticosteroid use, n (%)	4 (9)



Data cutoff: March 29, 2018. \*CRS uniformly graded according to Lee DW, et al. Blood. 2014;124(2):188-195. <sup>b</sup>19 patients were treated at the 10<sup>11</sup> × 10<sup>7</sup> dose level for a total of 43 patients.

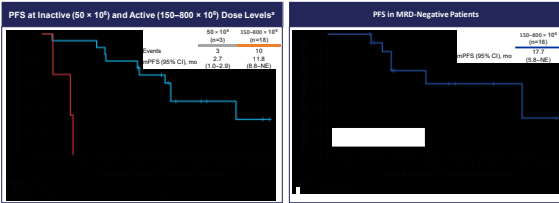
**TUMOR RESPONSE: DOSE-RELATED; INDEPENDENT OF TUMOR BCMA EXPRESSION**



Data cutoff: March 29, 2018. CR, complete response; mDOR, median duration of response; ORR, objective response rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; iCR, stringent CR; VGPR, very good partial response. \*Patients with ≥2 months of response data at 100mg with either <2 months. ORR is defined as achieving iCR, CR, VGPR, or PR including confirmed and unconfirmed responses. Low BCMA = iCR or CR in marrow plasma cells expression of BCMA. High BCMA is defined as ≥50%.

**PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL**

- mPFS of 11.8 months at active doses (≥150 × 10<sup>6</sup> CAR+ T cells) in 18 subjects in dose escalation phase
- mPFS of 17.7 months in 16 responding subjects who are MRD-negative



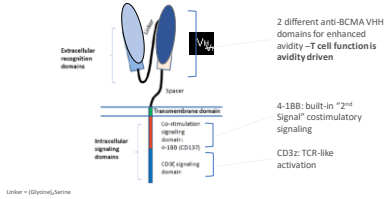
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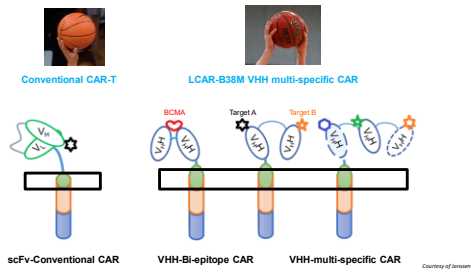
JNJ-68284528 (LCAR-B38M CAR-T cells)

Genetically modified autologous T-cell immunotherapy directed at B cell maturation antigen (BCMA) which is being developed for the treatment of Multiple Myeloma



JNJ-528 is a unique bispecific CAR that binds with high affinity to 2 different epitopes on BCMA, enabling tight binding of the CAR to the BCMA-expressing cells

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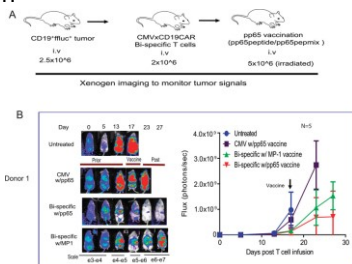
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## Virus-specific T cells as primary CAR-T population



1. Maus et al., *CCR* 2016

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- Optimizing co-stimulatory signaling
  - 41BB>CD28
- Nature of MM is waxing and waning, should the cells be that way as well?
  - "ON-switch" CARs
  - Targeting multiple antigens
  - T cells redirected for universal cytokine-mediated killing (TRUCKs)

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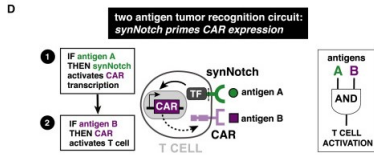
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“On” switch CAR T cells



1. Roybal et al. Cell 2016

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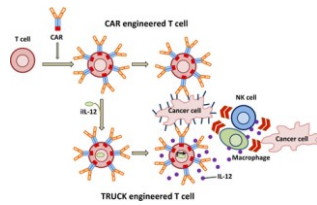
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T cells redirected for universal cytokine-mediated killing (TRUCKs)



1. Chiemelowski et al. Immunological Reviews, 2013

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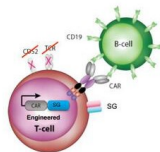
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Collectis Universal SLAMF7-Specific CAR T (abs 502)

- “Off-the-shelf”
- Normal healthy PB donors
- Inactivation of the *TCRA* constant (*TRAC*) gene using TALEN<sup>®</sup> gene-editing technology to prevent GVHD and expression of T cell SLAMF7.




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### Case

- 65 YO M without significant PMH presents with new back pain and incidentally found abnormal protein level
- Further work-up shows IgG kappa M-spike 3.8 g/dL
- Additional labs: normal Cr, Ca; Hb=11.8 g/dL
- MRI shows new L4 compression fracture
- BM biopsy: 60% kappa-restricted plasma cells, normal cytogenetics, FISH positive for t(11;14)

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### Treatment course

- VRD induction → achieves VGPR after 6 cycles
- Mel 200 ASCT → sCR at day 100 with MRD negativity
- Len maintenance x 2.5 y → biochemical progression
- KRd with PR; Goes 18 months but then presents with new bone lesions
- Starts DRD → Stable x 12 months but then presents with new anemia. BM with 70% plasma cells and clonal evolution (-16)

*Now what??*

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