

## Updated efficacy and safety of botensilimab plus balstilimab in patients with refractory metastatic sarcoma from an expanded phase 1 study

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## **Botensilimab Mechanism of Action**

- SOC chemotherapy in 3L setting is limited with response rates between 6–12% and currently available ICIs are ineffective for the majority of sarcoma patients<sup>1-4</sup>
- Botensilimab is a multifunctional Fc-enhanced CTLA-4 inhibitor with potential to expand current reach of immunotherapy<sup>5</sup>
- Botensilimab has proven activity in multiple cold / I-O refractory solid tumors via enhanced innate and adaptive antitumor functionalities<sup>5-7</sup>

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• Balstilimab is a highly active and clinically validated PD-1 inhibitor<sup>8,9</sup>

#### **Botensilimab**

Multifunctional Fc-enhanced Anti-CTLA-4 Antibody



- Enhanced T cell priming, expansion, memory
- Enhanced frequency of activated APCs
- Enhanced Treg depletion
- **Reduced** complement binding thereby potentially reducing complement-mediated toxicities



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### **Baseline Characteristics**

	N=64	
Age, median (range)	61 (30—81)	
Sex, n (%)		
Male	22 (34%)	
Female	42 (66%)	
ECOG PS at baseline, n (%)		
0	26 (41%)	
1	38 (59%)	
Prior lines of therapy, n(%)		
Median (range)	3 (0-10)	
≥3	34 (53%)	
Prior PD-(L)1 or CTLA-4 therapy, n/N (%)	10/60 (17%)	
Botensilimab dose, n (%)		
1 mg/kg	47 (73%)	
2 mg/kg	15 (23%)	
Crossover <sup>b</sup>	2 (3%)	

Sarcoma subtype, n (%)	
Angiosarcoma	25 (39%)
Cutaneous	14 (22%)
Visceral	11 (17%)
Leiomyosarcoma	22 (34%)
Soft tissue	16 (25%)
Uterine	6 (9%)
High grade undifferentiated	8 (13%)
Dedifferentiated liposarcoma	6 (9%)
Other <sup>a</sup>	3 (5%)



<sup>a</sup>'Other' subgroup consists of one patient with myxoid liposarcoma, one patient with osteosarcoma/spindle cell sarcoma, and another patient with synovial sarcoma. <sup>b</sup>Two rescue patients received 2 mg/kg bot alone and then transitioned to the combination of 2 mg/kg bot + bal.

## **Broad Activity in Heterogenous Sarcoma Population**



	Efficacy Evaluable n=52
<b>ORR</b> <sup>a</sup> , % (95% CI)	<b>23%</b> (13–37)
BOR, n (%)	
CR	1 (2%)
PR	11 (21%)
SD	23 (44%)
PD	17 (33%)
<b>Median DOR, months</b> (95% CI)	<b>21.7</b> (3.4–NR)
CBR (CR + PR + SD at 24 weeks), % (95% Cl)	<b>35%</b> (22–49)



<sup>a</sup>Data include an uCR in a cutaneous angiosarcoma patient who had a visible skin lesion that disappeared on exam (images on file) with subsequent clinical progression and a PR in a visceral angiosarcoma patient with minor early progression at 6 weeks followed by a deep response in a target lesion that is durable beyond 3 years.

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# **Significant Activity in Cutaneous and Visceral Angiosarcoma**



	Angiosarcoma n=18
<b>ORRª, %</b> (95% CI)	<b>39%</b> (17–64)
Cutaneous (n=9)	33%
Visceral (n=9)	44%
BOR, n (%)	
CR	1 (6%)
PR	6 (33%)
SD	8 (44%)
PD	3 (17%)
<b>Median DOR, months</b> (95% CI)	<b>21.7</b> (1.9–NR)
CBR (CR + PR + SD at 24 weeks), % (95% Cl)	<b>44%</b> (22-69)



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### **Significant Activity in Cutaneous and Visceral Angiosarcoma**



#### Weeks on Study



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### **Overall Survival**



Time From Start of Therapy (Months)



### **Deep Response in a Visceral Angiosarcoma Patient**

#### I. Baseline Scan





#### II. Pseudoprogression at 6 Weeks





#### III. Best Response







This patient is included in efficacy and safety analyses.

## Safety

#### TRAEs in ≥10% of All Treated Sarcoma Patients (N=64)

	All Grades	Grade 3	Grade 4
Any, n (%)	53 (83)	11 (17)	0
Gastrointestinal			
Diarrhea/colitis	23 (36)	4 (6)	0
Nausea	8 (13)	1 (2)	0
Vomiting	7 (11)	1 (2)	0
Skin			
Rash	19 (30)	1 (2)	0
Constitutional			
Fatigue	17 (27)	1 (2)	0
Pyrexia	14 (22)	0	0
Chills	11 (17)	0	0
Endocrine			
Hypothyroidism	7 (11)	0	0
Musculoskeletal			
Myalgia	7 (11)	1 (2)	0

- Sarcoma safety similar to other tumor types in the trial with no new safety signals
- No cases of related hypophysitis, pneumonitis, or myocarditis
- 13% discontinued bot due to a bot-related TRAE
- No grade 4 or 5 TRAEs



### **Conclusions & Future Directions**

- Deep, durable responses resulting in extended survival were observed in a broad range of sarcoma subtypes
- The angiosarcoma cohort is particularly promising given the high percentage of colder visceral angiosarcomas
  - ORR in visceral angiosarcoma was 44%
- The adverse event profile is manageable and reversible with no new safety signals identified
  - Diarrhea/colitis most frequent TRAE (**36%** of patients; **6%** grade 3)
- The phase 1 study (C-800-01) continues to enroll patients in the angiosarcoma cohort (NCT03860272) at the University of Colorado (USA) and the Royal Marsden (UK)
- A phase 2 study is currently under consideration





#### **Abbreviations**

AE, adverse event APC, antigen presenting cell bal, balstilimab BOR, best overall response bot, botensilimab CI, confidence interval CBR, clinical benefit rate at 24 weeks CR, complete response CTLA-4, cytotoxic T-lymphocyte antigen-4 DCR, disease control rate at 6 weeks DOR, duration of response EE, efficacy evaluable ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group

Fc, fragment crystallizable F/U, follow-up ICI, immune checkpoint inhibitors I-O, immunotherapy ITT, intention-to-treat NR, not reached ORR, objective response rate OS, overall survival PD, progressive disease PD-1, programmed death receptor-1 PD-1, programmed death-ligand 1 PFS, progression-free survival PR, partial response PS, performance status QXW, every X weeks RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors R/R, relapsed/refractory SD, stable disease TRAE, treatment-related adverse event Treg, regulatory T cell uCR, unconfirmed complete response

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