Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma: Things we talk about in the MDT And things we hope we can talk about soon **Dr Jaimal Kothari Consultant Haematologist Oxford University Hospitals**

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Topics to Cover Today

- 1. Optimal therapy at first relapse
- 2. Who should get a second transplant?
- 3. The role of clarithromycin as an adjunct to Lenalidomide/IMID based therapy (after ASH 2019)
- 4. Belantamab Mafadotin
- 5. Venetoclax

1st Relapse

OPTIONS:

- Len/Dex (RD)
- Daratumumab, Bortezomib + Dexamethasone (DVD)
- Carfilzomib + Dexamethasone (for Velcade naive) (KD)

So, why shouldn't EVERYBODY get DVD?

Should I save some of my better therapies for later ?

Real life chart review of 5000 patients across 7 European Countries



Yong et al, Br J Haematol. 2016 Oct; 175(2): 252-264.

Things to Consider....

- If you use Len/Dex at 2nd line, can't use it as a triplet in 3rd line (IRD), which has better PFS, better in high risk patients than RD (PFS)
- If patient is Velcade refractory , don't expect great results from DVD (But is it still the best option ??)
- KD may be more of an option for some patients getting RD as first line therapy. BUT aren't triplets ALWAYS better than doublets ?!
- How does one fit in a second transplant with the continuous 2nd line therapies that you treat until progression

	The Answer is NO-ONE knows	
HOW	Very difficult to extrapolate survival data in this type of setting	
ls	Endless Cross-Trial Comparisons often confuse the matter	
■ RD,	Key points to consider in the R/R Setting :	
Better	- Standard/low risk patients continue to do well, and will respond	
■ RD,	to many options	
OR, in	- Aiming for MRD negativity appears to still have value in the R/R setting	3 years
ls	- High-risk patients often go from one therapy to the next quickly	
DVD	Have to consider the burden of endless continuous therapies,	
■ OR I	until death	ater)
OR	- Need to clearly understand what the NHS/CDF pathway allows,	
DVD	and have good relationships with your pharmacists	

CASTOR Study Design



- Cycles 1-8: repeat every 21 days
- Cycles 9+: repeat every 28 days

RRMM, relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma; D-Vd, daratumumab/ bortezomib/dexamethasone; IV, intravenously; V, bortezomib; SC, subcutaneously; d, dexamethasone; PO, orally; Vd, bortezomib/dexamethasone; D, daratumumab; Obs, observation; PFS, progression-free survival; TTP, time to disease progression; OS, overall survival; ORR, overall response rate; VGPR, very good partial response; CR, complete response; MRD, minimal residual disease.

Daratumumab-Vd Maintained Significant PFS and ORR Benefit



PFS, progression-free survival; ITT, intent-to-treat; IPL, 1 prior line of therapy; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval; D-Vd, daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone; Vd. bortezomib/dexamethasone; std, standard.

*Kaplan-Meier estimate

	ITT/R	esponse-eva	aluable	1PL		
Response,° n (%)	D-Vd (n = 240)	Vd (n = 234)	<i>P</i> value	D-Vd (n = 119)	Vd (n = 109)	P value
ORR	203 (85)	148 (63)	<0.0001	109 (92)	81 (74)	0.0007
≥CR	72 (30)	23 (10)	<0.0001	51 (43)	16 (15)	<0.0001
sCR	23 (10)	6 (3)		17 (14)	5 (5)	
CR	49 (20)	17 (7)		34 (29)	11 (10)	
≥VGPR	151 (63)	68 (29)	<0.0001	91 (77)	46 (42)	<0.0001
VGPR	79 (33)	45 (19)		40 (34)	30 (28)	
PR	52 (22)	80 (34)		18 (15)	35 (32)	
MRD negativity (10⁻⁵) ^ь	(n = 251)	(n = 247)		(n = 122)	(n = 113)	
n (%)	35 (14)	4 (2)	<0.000001	24 (20)	3 (3)	0.000025
Sustained MRD negativity (10 ⁻⁵), n (%) ^c	8 (3)	0		7 (6)	0	

MRD, minimal residual disease; IPL, 1 prior line of therapy; ITT, intent-to-treat; D-Vd, daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone; Vd, bortezomib/dexamethasone; ORR, overall response rate; CR, complete response; sCR, stringent complete response; VGPR, very good partial response; PR; partial response; MRD, minimal residual disease. *Response-evaluable population.

^bITT population.

°Sustained MRD negativity for ≥12 months.

PFS 2





	All g	rades	Grade 3/4	
TEAE, n (%)	D-Vd (n = 243)	Vd (n = 237)	D-Vd (n = 243)	Vd (n = 237)
Hematologic				
Thrombocytopenia	145 (60)	105 (44)	112 (46)	78 (33)
Anemia	71 (29)	75 (32)	38 (16)	38 (16)
Neutropenia	48 (20)	23 (10)	33 (14)	11 (5)
Lymphopenia	32 (13)	9 (4)	24 (10)	6 (3)
Nonhematologic				
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	121 (50)	90 (38)	11 (5)	16 (7)
Upper respiratory tract infection	85 (35)	43 (18)	6 (3)	1 (0.4)
Diarrhea	86 (35)	53 (22)	9 (4)	3 (1)
Cough	71 (29)	30 (13)	0	0
Constipation	54 (22)	38 (16)	0	2 (0.8)
Fatigue	55 (23)	58 (25)	12 (5)	8 (3)
Back pain	53 (22)	24 (10)	6 (3)	3 (1)
Pneumonia	38 (16)	31 (13)	25 (10)	24 (10)
Hypertension	24 (10)	8 (3)	16 (7)	2(0.8)

TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; D-Vd, daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone; Vd, bortezomib/dexamethasone.

MRD Negativity Leads to Prolonged PFS and OS



CANDOR: Study Design

Multicenter, randomized phase III study



⁺First dose split over 2 days (8 mg/kg each).

- Primary endpoint: PFS
- Key secondary endpoints: ORR, MRD, and OS

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The ENDEAVOR TRIAL

Primary End Point: Progression-Free Survival

Intent-to-Treat Population (N=929)





Secondary endpoint: Overall Survival

Patients Relapsing >12 months from previous therapy



CANDOR: Baseline Characteristics

Characteristics	KdD (n = 312)	Kd (n = 154)	Characteristics	KdD (n = 312)	Kd (n = 154)
Median age, yrs (range) ≤ 64, n (%) 65-74, n (%) ≥ 75, n (%) 	64 (29-84) 163 (52.2) 121 (38.8) 28 (9.0)	65 (35-84) 77 (50.0) 55 (35.7) 22 (14.3)	Number of prior therapies, n (%) ■ 1 ■ ≥ 2	144 (46.2) 168 (53.8)	70 (45.5) 83 (53.9)
ECOG PS, n (%) • 0/1 • 2	295 (94.6) 15 (4.8)	147 (95.5) 7 (4.5)	Prior therapies, n (%)BortezomibLenalidomide	287 (92.0) 123 (39.4)	134 (87.0) 74 (48.1)
ISS stage, n (%) I	147 (47.1)	79 (51.3)	Refractory to prior bortezomib, n (%)	88 (28.2)	47 (30.5)
= =	103 (33.0) 61 (19.6)	48 (31.2) 27 (17.5)	Refractory to prior lenalidomide, n (%)	99 (31.7)	55 (35.7)
Cytogenic risk category by FISH, n (%) High* Standard[†] Unknown 	48 (15.4) 104 (33.3) 160 (51.3)	26 (16.9) 52 (33.8) 76 (49.4)	*Comprising genetic subtypes t(4;14), [†] Comprising all other subtypes.	t(14;16), or del(17	7p).

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CANDOR: PFS

Prolonged PFS with KdD vs Kd (median: NR vs 15.8 mos; HR: 0.63; 95% CI: 0.46-0.85; P = .0014)

Subgroup		HR* KdD vs Kd (95% Cl)	Subgroup		HR* KdD vs Kd (95% Cl)
ISS stage	1 or 23	0.61 (0.43-0.85) 0.71 (0.37-1.36)	Cytogenic risk group	HighStandard	0.58 (0.30-1.12) 0.55 (0.31-0.97)
Age at baseline	 ≤ 64 65-74 ≥ 75 	0.57 (0.38-0.86) 0.72 (0.43-1.20) 0.97 (0.39-2.43)	Number of prior therapies, n (%)	 Unknown 1 ≥ 2 	0.72 (0.47-1.11) 0.70 (0.42-1.17) 0.63 (0.44-0.92)
Region	 North America Europe Asia Pacific 	0.04 (0.01-0.34) 0.86 (0.60-1.23) 0.49 (0.25-0.93)	Prior lenalidomide exposure	NoYes	0.87 (0.56-1.35) 0.52 (0.34-0.80)
Baseline ECOG PS	• 0-1	0.69 (0.51-0.94)	Refractory to lenalidomide	NoYes	0.85 (0.57-1.27) 0.45 (0.28-0.74)
Baseline CrCl, mL/min $\geq 15 \text{ to } < 50$ $0.31 (0.08-1.19)$ $\geq 2 = 15 \text{ to } < 50$ $0.46 (0.21-1.02)$ $\geq 50 \text{ to } < 80$ $0.78 (0.45-1.33)$ ≥ 80 $0.67 (0.44-1.02)$	Prior proteasome inhibitor exposure	NoYes	0.93 (0.29-3.02) 0.64 (0.47-0.88)		
	 ≥ 50 to < 80 ≥ 80 	0.78 (0.45-1.33) 0.67 (0.44-1.02)	Refractory to bortezomib	NoYes	0.59 (0.40-0.85) 0.83 (0.49-1.41)

*HR < 1 favors KdD.

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CANDOR: Response Rates

Median time to first response was 1 mo in the KdD and Kd arms

KdD (n = 312)	Kd (n = 154)
84.3*	74.7*
69.2	48.7
28.5	10.4
17.6	3.9
12.5 ⁺	1.3^+
13.8	3.2
	KdD (n = 312) 84.3* 69.2 28.5 17.6 12.5* 13.8

*P = .0040*P < .0001

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CANDOR: Overall Safety

AEs, n (%)	KdD (n = 308)	Kd (n = 153)
Treatment-emergent AEs		
 All grade 	306 (99.4)	147 (96.1)
 Grade ≥ 3 	253 (82.1)	113 (73.9)
 Serious 	173 (56.2)	70 (45.8)
 Led to treatment discontinuation 	69 (22.4)	38 (24.8)
 Led to dose reduction 	113 (38.6)	53 (34.6)
Treatment-emergent fatal AEs	30 (9.7)	8 (5.2)
 Infections 	14 (4.5)	4 (2.6)
 Cardiac disorders 	4 (1.3)	0
 Neoplasms 	4 (1.3)	2 (1.3)
 General disorders and administration site disorders 	3 (1.0)	1 (0.7)
 Respiratory, thoracic, and mediastinal disorders 	2 (0.6)	1 (0.7)
 Injury, poisoning, and procedural complications 	1 (0.3)	0
 Metabolism and nutrition disorders 	1 (0.3)	0
 Nervous system disorders 	1 (0.3)	0
Treatment-related fatal AEs	5 (1.6)*	0

*1 case each of pneumonia, sepsis with development of *Clostridium difficile* enterocolitis, septic shock (with pneumocystis pneumonia), acinetobacter infection, and cardio-respiratory arrest. Usmani. ASH 2019. Abstr LBA6.

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CANDOR: Common Treatment-Emergent AEs

Treatment Freezens: $\Lambda \Gamma * r (0/)$	KdD (n	= 308)	Kd (n = 153)	
Treatment-Emergency AE, * n (%)	All Grades	Grade ≥ 3	All Grades	Grade ≥ 3
Hematologic				
 Thrombocytopenia 	115 (37.3)	75 (24.4)	45 (29.4)	25 (16.3)
 Anemia 	101 (32.8)	51 (16.6)	48 (31.4)	22 (14.4)
 Neutropenia 	43 (14.0)	26 (8.4)	15 (9.8)	9 (5.9)
 Lymphocytopenia 	27 (8.84)	21 (6.8)	12 (7.8)	11 (7.2)
Nonhematologic				
 Diarrhea 	97 (31.5)	12 (3.9)	22 (14.4)	1 (0.7)
 Hypertension 	94 (30.5)	54 (17.5)	42 (27.5)	20 (13.1)
 Upper respiratory tract infection 	90 (29.2)	8 (2.6)	35 (22.9)	2 (1.3)
 Fatigue 	75 (24.4)	24 (7.8)	28 (18.3)	7 (4.6)
 Dyspnea 	61 (19.8)	12 (3.9)	34 (22.2)	4 (2.6)
 Pneumonia 	55 (17.9)	41 (13.3)	19 (12.4)	13 (8.5)

*AEs included for all grades occurred in $\ge 20\%$ of patients; AEs included in grade ≥ 3 occurred in $\ge 5\%$ of patients.

CANDOR: AEs of Interest

Treatment Emergent AEc. $p(9/)$	KdD (n	= 308)	Kd (n = 153)	
Treatment-Emergent AES, II (%)	All Grades	Grade ≥ 3	All Grades	Grade ≥ 3
Acute renal failure	18 (5.8)	9 (2.9)	12 (7.8)	10 (6.5)
Cardiac failure*	23 (7.5)	12 (3.9)	16 (10.5)	13 (8.5)
Ischemic heart disease	13 (4.2)	9 (2.9)	5 (3.3)	4 (2.6)
Respiratory tract infection	225 (73.1)	89 (28.9)	84 (54.9)	24 (15.7)
Peripheral neuropathy	53 (17.2)	3 (1.0)	13 (8.5)	0
Hypertension	98 (31.8)	55 (17.9)	44 (28.8)	21 (13.7)
IRR (on same day as any carfilzomib infusion)	126 (40.9)	38 (12.3)	43 (28.1)	8 (5.2)
Daratumumab-related infusion infection	56 (18.2)	7 (2.3)	0	0
Viral infection	63 (20.5)	19 (6.2)	22 (14.4)	3 (2.0)

*Rate of cardiac failure event leading to carfilzomib discontinuation similar between arms (3.9% and 4.6%).

CANDOR: Investigator Conclusions

- Significant PFS benefit for patients with R/R MM treated with KdD vs Kd
 - 37% reduction in risk of progression or death
 - Benefit maintained across all prespecified clinically important subgroups
- Deeper responses observed in patients treated with KdD vs Kd
 - MRD-negative CR rate at 12 mos nearly 10-fold higher with KdD vs Kd
- Safety profile consistent with that observed with each individual agent, except for more fatal treatment-emergent AEs with KdD vs Kd possibly due to greater therapy exposure, age, and frailty
 - Infections most common reason for fatal events
- The investigators concluded that KdD should be considered as a treatment option for patients with R/R MM

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KD versus DVD (in the velcade naive patient)

- KD may be an option if significant residual neuropathy from 1st line therapy
- Potential hypersensitivity to Daratumumab
- On balance, do NOT use KD to 'save' Daratumumab as a single agent in 4th line.
- No trial comparison, but helpful information from CANDOR trial on MRD negativity in patients treated with KD
- Remember cardiac toxicity/hypertension with Carfilzomib (consider once weekly dosing)

So who should get a second transplant at relapse?

- Only one randomised study, with a now meaningless comparator
- A lot of registry data suggests that the patients that benefit MOST:
- do not have high-risk cytogenetics at relapse
- ISS I/II
- have at *least* a year remission from first transplant
- have maintenance post transplant
- are younger
- Myeloma XII study will not help answer the question

Myeloma X Study Schema





BUT look how the PFS compares...

Study	No.	ORR (%)	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)	TRM (%)
Shah et al. [111]	44	90	12.3	31.7	2
Jimenez-Zepaeda et al. [110]	81	97	16.4	53	3
Olin et al. [116]	41	55	8.5	20.7	7
Fenk et al. [114]	55	75	14	52	5
Alvares et al. [120]	83		15.6	34.8	
Burzynski et al. [115]	25	64	12	19	8
Mehta et al. [133]	42	81	12.5	32	10
Eliece et al. [117]	26	69	14.8	38.1	0
Gonsalves et al. [107]	98	86	10.3	33	4
Yhim et al. [119]	48		18	55.5	
Lemieux et al. [108]	81	93	18	48	0
Michaelis et al. [109]	187		3-year PFS: 13%	3-year OS: 46%	2

TRM treatment-related mortality, ORR overall response rate, PFS progression-free survival, OS overall survival

So, in 2020, with the following patient...

 65 years old, ISS 1, diagnosed 2016, treated with RCD on Myeloma XI, no maintenance. Now relapsed. 3.5 year remission from Mel 200.

Repeat cytogenetics – no high risk features

OPTIONS

- Myeloma XII Study (ITD followed by Transplant +/- Ixa Maintenance)
- DVD until progression
- DVD until best response , then Mel 200 (+/- Dara maintenance)

Salvage Autologous Transplant and Lenalidomide Maintenance Versus Continuous Lenalidomide/Dexamethasone for Relapsed Multiple Myeloma: Results of the Randomized GMMG Phase III Multicenter Trial Relapse

"The ReLAPse Trial"

- Arm A Rd, (Len 25, dex 40 weekly), then Mel 200 and Len 10mg until BD. (139pts)
- Arm B Rd (as above) until PD. (138 pts)
- 95% of patients had only 1 prior line (1-3 allowed)
- With a median f/u of 3 years no difference in PFS 20.7 vs 18.8 months

Lenalidomide, Dexamethasone, and Clarithromycin in Myeloma: Background

- For patients with transplant-ineligible myeloma, continuous Rd is a standard of care^[1]; it is also used as a backbone for various other combinations
- Clarithromycin: antibiotic, immunomodulator, antineoplastic drug; optimizes effect of glucocorticoids^[2]
- Phase II study of clarithromycin/lenalidomide/dexamethasone (BiRd) produced high ORR and CR rates (90.3% vs 38.9%, respectively) in patients with newly diagnosed symptomatic myeloma^[2]
 - Superior PFS and responses vs Rd in matched-pair case-control analysis^[3]
- Phase III GEM-CLARIDEX trial comparing efficacy of Rd vs clarithromycin + Rd in patients with newly diagnosed myeloma who are not candidates for ASCT^[4]

1. Facon. Blood. 2018;131:301. 2. Niesvizky. Blood. 2008;111:1101. 3. Gay. Am J Hematol. 2010;85:664. 4. Puig. ASH 2019. Abstract 694.

Phase III GEM-CLARIDEX: Clarithromycin + Rd vs Rd in Newly Diagnosed, ASCT-Ineligible Patients With Myeloma



- Primary endpoint: PFS
- Secondary endpoints: ORR, DOR, TTP, OS, safety, MRD (NGS), PFS2, QoL

GEM-CLARIDEX: Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	Clarithromycin + Rd (n = 143)	Rd (n = 143)
Median age, yrs (range)	76 (65-91)	75 (65-93)
■ ≥ 75 yrs, %	54.5	59.0
ECOG PS, %		
• 0	25	31
• 1	51	46
■ 2	23	20
CrCl, %		
■ < 60 mL/min	6	7
■ ≥ 60 mL/min	94	93

Characteristic	Clarithromycin + Rd (n = 143)	Rd (n = 143)
M-protein, %		
■ IgG	52	59
■ IgA	33	26
 Other 	0	3
Bence Jones	15	12
Risk*, %		
Standard	75	79
 High 	18	17

*Presence of del(17p), t(4;14), t(14;16).

GEM-CLARIDEX: Patient Disposition

Disposition Event	Clarithromycin + Rd (n = 143)	Rd (n = 143)
Median tx duration, months	7.4	8.6
Median cycles, no. (range)	8 (1-41)	10 (1-40)
Any AE, n (%)	143 (100)	143 (100)
Grade ≥ 3 TEAE, n (%)	117 (81.8)	118 (82.5)
Treatment discontinuations, n (%)	91 (63.2)	66 (46.2)
 Disease progression 	26 (28.6)	31 (47.0)
 Unacceptable AE 	16 (17.6)	12 (18.2)
AE-related death	21 (23.1)	8 (12.1)
 Other 	28 (24.2)	15 (22.7)

GEM-CLARIDEX: PFS (Primary Endpoint) and Response



GEM-CLARIDEX: PFS by Age



GEM-CLARIDEX: Common Adverse Events

Advarsa Evant n (%)		Clarithromycin + Rd		Rd		
Adverse Event, II (%)		Any Grade	Grade 3/4	Any Grade	Grade 3/4	
	Neutropenia	30 (20.8)	15 (10.4)	46 (31.9)	24 (16.7)	
Hematologic	Thrombocytopenia	20 (13.9)	7 (4.9)	20 (13.9)	4 (2.8)	
	Anemia	21 (14.6)	3 (2.1)	25 (17.4)	10 (6.9)	<i>P</i> = .04
Nanhamatalagia	Asthenia	32 (22.2)	13 (9)	32 (22.2)	2 (1.4)	
	Diarrhea	19 (13.2)	4 (2.8)	21 (14.6)	5 (3.5)	
	Skin rash	15 (10.4)	4 (2.8)	20 (13.9)	4 (2.8)	
Nonnematologic	Pneumonia	14 (9.8)	14 (9.8)	11 (7.6)	8 (5.6)	
	Other infections	28 (19.4)	10 (6.9)	22 (15.3)	8 (5.6)	
	Steroid-related AEs*	32 (22.2)	14 (9.7)	24 (16.7)	3 (2.1)	

*Includes tremors (22%), anxiety (12%), insomnia (18%), diabetes, infections.

Mortality

Causes of death, n (%)

	Overall (n=62)	Rd (n=29)	CRd (n=33)	р
Progressive disease	17 (27.5)	14 (48.3)	3 (9.1)	0.001
Toxicity	6 (9.7)	0 (0)	6 (18.2)	
Other	39 (62.9)	15 (51.7)	24 (72.7)	0.116
- Infections	18 (29)	6 (20.6)	12 (36.4) ³	0.022
- Cardiovascular events	5 (8.1)	2 (6.9)	3 (9.1)	0.752
- Unknown	12 (19.3)	6 (20.7)	5 (15.1)	0.741
- SPM	3 (4.8)	1 (3.4) ¹	2 (6.1) ²	0.669
- Miscellaneous	2 (3.2)	0 (0)	2 (6.1)	-
- Miscellarieous	2 (0.2)	0(0)	2 (0.1)	

¹1 case of MDS, ²1 case of colon cancer and 1 case of pancreatic adenocarcinoma ³11 of them in pts \geq 75 yo

GEM-CLARIDEX: Overall Survival and Mortality

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100 -80 60 OS (%) 40 Median OS, mos 20-Mo OS, % Clarithromycin + Rd 75 NR 20 Rd alone NR 73 Median follow-up: 16 months (range: 1-47) 0-10 20 30 40 0 OS (months)

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Overall Survival

Mortality

Cause, n (%)	Overall (n = 62)	Clarithromycin + Rd (n = 33)	Rd (n = 29)
PD*	17 (27.5)	3 (9.1)	14 (48.3)
Toxicity	6 (9.7)	6 (18.2)	0
Other*	39 (62.9)	24 (72.7)	15 (51.7)
 Infections 	18 (29.0)	12 (36.4)	6 (20.6)
CV events	5 (8.1)	3 (9.1)	2 (6.9)
 Unknown 	12 (19.3)	5 (15.1)	6 (20.7)
SPM	3 (4.8)	2 (6.1)	1 (3.4)
 Misc 	2 (3.2)	2 (6.1)	0
			*P = 0.01

GEM-CLARIDEX: Overall Survival by Age



GEM-CLARIDEX: Investigator Conclusions

- In this phase III trial, no significant PFS improvement was reported with addition of clarithromycin to Rd in newly diagnosed, transplantineligible patients with myeloma
 - Addition of clarithromycin significantly increased response rates
 - However, addition of clarithromycin significantly increased incidence of deaths from toxicity, mostly from infections and in patients ≥ 75 years of age
 - Increased steroid AUC induced by clarithromycin was partially responsible for both increased response rates and increased infections on experimental arm

BCMA-Targeted Therapies

Antibody–Drug Conjugates Belantamab mafodotin MEDI2228 CC-99712



Myeloma cell CAR T-Cell Therapies Idecabtagene vicleucel LCAR-B38M P-BCMA-101 bb21217 ALLO-715

Belantamab Mafodotin: BCMA-Targeted ADC

- Belantamab mafodotin (GSK2857916): Humanized, afucosylated, IgG1 BCMA-targeted ADC that neutralizes soluble BCMA
 - Preclinical studies demonstrate selective, potent activity

Bela	ntamab Mafodotin
Cytotoxic agent	–MMAF (non–cell-permeable, highly potent auristatin)
Afucosylation	-Enhanced ADCC
Linker	-Stable in circulation



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DREAMM-2



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- ✓ Measurable disease**
- ECOG PS 0–2

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- ✓ ≥ 3 prior lines of therapy
- *Refractory to proteasome inhibitor, immunomodulatory agent, and refractory/intolerant to anti-CD38 mAb

- Patients with mild/moderate renal impairment and grade 2 cytopenias were permitted
- Prior BCMA-targeted therapy excluded
- Prior auto-SCT allowed, allo-SCT excluded

Characteristic	belantamab mafodotin 2.5 mg/kg (N=97)	belantamab mafodotin 3.4 mg/kg (N=99)
Age, median (IQR), years	65 (60–70)	67 (61–72)
Sex, n (%) Male Female	51 (53) 46 (47)	56 (57) 43 (43)
ISS stage at screening, n (%) I II III Unknown/ missing	21 (22) 33 (34) 42 (43) 1 (1)	18 (18) 51 (52) 30 (30) 0
Cytogenetics risk, n (%) High risk* Other	41 (42) 56 (58)	47 (47) 52 (52)
Number of prior lines of therapy, median (range)	7 (3–21)	6 (3–21)
Refractory to prior immunomodulatory agent, proteasome inhibitor and an anti-CD38 antibody, n (%)	97 (100)	99 (100)

*High-risk cytogenetics defined as having any of the following cytogenetic features: t(4;14), t(14;16), 17p13del, or 1q21+.

IQR, interquartile range; ISS, International Staging System

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IRC-assessed response*	belantamab mafodotin 2.5 mg/kg (N=97)	belantamab mafodotin 3.4 mg/kg (N=99)
ORR [†] , n (%) (97.5% Cl)	30 (31) (20.8–42.6)	34 (34) (23.9–46.0)
sCR, n (%)	2 (2)	3 (3)
CR, n (%)	1 (1)	0
VGPR, n (%)	15 (15)	17 (17)
PR, n (%)	12 (12)	14 (14)
CBR [‡] , n (%) (97.5% Cl)	33 (34) (23.5–45.8)	39 (39) (28.5–51.1)

Intent-to-treat population. *As assessed using 2016 IMWG criteria (Kumar S et al. Lancet Oncol 2016; 17: e328-346.). †defined as PR or better. ‡defined as MR or better.

CBR, clinical benefit rate; CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; IMWG, International Myeloma Working Group; IRC, independent review committee; MR, minimal response; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response; sCR, stringent complete response; VGPR, very good partial response.

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IRC-assessed outcome (median)	belantamab mafodotin 2.5 mg/kg (N=97)	belantamab mafodotin 3.4 mg/kg (N=99)
OS, months	NR [‡]	NR [‡]
PFS, months (95% CI)	2.9 (2.1–3.7)†	4.9 (2.3–6.2)†
DoR, months	NR‡	NR‡
Patients with DoR ≥4 months (% [95% CI])*	78 (57–89)	87 (69–95)



Follow up is ongoing to confirm durability

Intent-to-treat population. *As of data cut-off. [†]Not reached for patients with partial responses or better. [‡]Not reached for responders in either cohort and median duration of follow-up was 6.3 and 6.9 months, respectively. CI, confidence interval; DoR, duration of response; IRC, independent-review committee; NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival

mPFS was 2.9 and 4.9 mos in the 2.5-mg/kg and 3.4-mg/kg groups, not reached in patients with MR or better

A. PFS survival by response (belantamab mafodotin 2.5-mg/kg)



B. PFS survival by response (belantamab mafodotin 3.4-mg/kg)



Post-hoc analysis. Responses in intent-to-treat population as assessed by IRC according to 2016 IMWG criteria (Kumar S et al. Lancet Oncol 2016;17:e328–346). IMWG, International Myeloma Working Group; IRC, independent review committee; MR, minimal response; NE, not evaluable; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease.

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Safety overview

All AE's of interest and any AE's >20% in either cohort



Number of patients with event (safety	Belantamab mafodotin 2.5 mg/kg (N=95)			Belantamab mafodotin 3.4 mg/kg (N=99)				
population), n (%)	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Keratopathy or corneal epithelium changes [†]	41 (43)	26 (27)	0	0	53 (54)	20 (20)	1 (1)	0
Thrombocytopenia [‡]	14 (15)	8 (8)	11 (12)	0	24 (24)	11 (11)	22 (22)	1 (1)
Anemia	4 (4)	19 (20)	0	0	12 (12)	22 (22)	3 (3)	0
Nausea	23 (24)	0	0	0	31 (31)	1 (1)	0	0
Pyrexia	18 (19)	2 (2)	1 (1)	0	21 (21)	4 (4)	0	0
Blurred vision [§]	17 (18)	4 (4)	0	0	28 (28)	2 (2)	0	0
Infusion-related reactions ¹	17 (18)	3 (3)	0	0	15 (15)	1 (1)	0	0
Increased aspartate aminotransferase	17 (18)	2 (2)	0	0	18 (18)	6 (6)	0	0
Fatigue	13 (14)	2 (2)	0	0	21 (21)	5 (5)	0	0
Dry eye**	12 (13)	1 (1)	0	0	23 (23)	0	0	0
Neutropenia ^{††}	4 (4)	5 (5)	4 (4)	0	12 (12)	12 (12)	3 (3)	0

Listed in order of decreasing frequency of Any Grade events in the 2-5-mg/kg cohort. "Events reported based on Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events criteria v4.03 in the safety population (including all patients who received at least one dose of trial treatment). †Keratopathy or corneal epithelium changes (considered an adverse event of special interest [AESI]) were observed by ophthalmic examination. ‡Thrombocytopenia (considered an AESI) includes preferred terms thrombocytopenia, decreased platelet count, and cerebral hemorrhage. § Blurred vision includes preferred terms vision blurred, diplopia, visual acuity reduced and visual impairment. ¶Infusion-related reactions (considered an AESI) includes preferred terms infusion-related reaction, pyrexia, chills, diarrhea, nausea, asthenia, hypertension, lethargy, tachycardia, vomiting, cough and hypotension occurring within 24 hours of infusion. **Dry eye includes preferred terms dry eye, ocular discomfort, eye pruritus and foreign body sensation in eye. ††Neutropenia includes neutropenia, febrile neutropenia and neutrophil count decreased. Lonial S et al. Lancet Oncology, 2019, epub ahead of print.

In Summary

- Some reasonable disease activity seen in a difficult to treat population (IMID/PI refractory, Dara intolerant/refractory)
- Response rate around 30%
- Eye toxicity is a significant issue
- Available on compassionate use in certain situations in some centres

 Large clinical development programme ensuing – inc VRD vs VRD+Bel. Unknown how combinations will affect toxicity

BELLINI Biomarker Subgroup Analysis: Study Design

Double blind, randomized 2:1, placebo-controlled phase III trial

Stratification by bortezomib sensitive vs naïve and prior lines of therapy (1 vs 2–3)



on Days 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12; Cycles 9+: 35-day cycles, bortezomib on Days 1, 8, 15, 22 and dexamethasone on Days 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23

- Primary Endpoint: PFS (per IRC)
- Key Secondary Endpoints: ORR, ≥ VGPR, OS, QoL/PRO parameters

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Table 1. BELLINI key data

	Ven-Bd	Bd
Ν	194	97
Deaths	41 (21.1%)	11 (11.3%)
ORR	159 (82%)	66 (68%)
≥VGPR	59%	36%

BELLINI Biomarker Subgroup Analysis: PFS and OS in All Patients (ITT)



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BELLINI Biomarker Subgroup Analysis: Efficacy in Patients with t(11;14) Multiple Myeloma

Pts with t(11;14)			Pts with	Ven + Vd	Placebo + Vd	P value
PFS	Ven + Vd	Placebo + Vd	t(11;14), %	(n = 20)	(n = 15)	
Median mos	NR	93	ORR	95	47	.004
	0.00.00	02 0 44)	≥ VGPR	75	27	.013
HR (95% CI)	0.09 (0.02-0.44)		≥ CR	55	7	.009
<i>P</i> value	.003		MRD			
OS			■ < 10 ⁻⁴	15	0	000
Median, mos	NR	NR	- < 10	45	0	.009
			■ < 10 ⁻⁵	30	0	.06
HR (95% CI)	0.68 (0	.13-3.48)	 < 10⁻⁶ 	25	0	.109
P value	.(647				

Pts with t(11;14) achieved higher rates of response, including MRD negativity with venetoclax compared with placebo

BELLINI Biomarker Subgroup Analysis: Efficacy in Patients with BCL2^{high} Expression Excluding t(11;14)

Pts with <i>BCL2^{high}</i> a	nd no t(11;14) <i>, %</i>		Pts with BCL2 ^{high}	Pts with <i>BCL2^{high}</i> Ven + Vd	Pts with <i>BCL2^{high}</i> Ven + Vd Placebo +
PFS	Ven + Vd	Placebo + Vd	and no t(11;14), 9	and no t(11;14), % (n = 51)	and no t(11;14), % (n = 51) Vd (n = 24)
Median, mos	NR	10.2	ORR	ORR 84	ORR 84 83
HR (95% CI)	0.41 (0	.20-0.81)	≥ VGPR	≥ VGPR 73	≥ VGPR 73 33
<i>P</i> value	.()11	≥CR	≥ CR 35	≥ CR 35 0
OS			MRD	MRD	MRD
Median, mos	NR	NR	■ < 10 ⁻⁴	■ < 10 ⁻⁴ 28	■ < 10 ⁻⁴ 28 4
HR (95% CI)	0.92 (0	.35-2.44)	■ < 10 ⁻⁵	■ < 10 ⁻⁵ 20	■ < 10 ⁻⁵ 20 0
P value	3.	366	 < 10⁻⁶ 	■ < 10 ⁻⁶ 6	■ < 10 ⁻⁶ 6 0

 Patients with BCL2^{high} expression and negative for t(11;14) attained high rates of deeper responses with venetoclax compared with placebo

High BCL2 gene expression was determined by qPCR. MRD assessment performed by NGS on BM aspirate at time of CR/sCR and 6- and 12-mos post confirmation of CR/sCR

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BELLINI Biomarker Subgroup Analysis: Investigator Conclusions

- Addition of venetoclax to bortezomib/dexamethasone was efficacious in patients with R/R multiple myeloma harboring either t(11;14) or tumor cells with BCL2^{high} expression
 - BCL2^{high} gene expression associated with extended PFS and increased response rates in the venetoclax arm independent of t(11;14)
 - OS in pts with t(11;14) or BCL2^{high} gene expression was similar in either arm
- In pts without t(11;14) and expressing low BCL2 levels, PFS not significantly improved with venetoclax, and OS favored placebo
- Additional biomarker-selected trials for patients with MM, including t(11;14) or BCL2^{high} gene expression, are ongoing:
 - CANOVA: VenDex vs PomDex in RRMM,^[NCT03539744] M15-538: VenKd vs Kd in RRMM,^[NCT02899052] M15-654: VenDd vs VenDVd in RRMM^[NCT03314181]

In Summary

- Increasing numbers of options is making decision making in this space more nuance
- Need to understand how to navigate CDF, and use 2nd transplant wisely
- High-risk patients are still doing badly
- BCMA is a target being exploited rapidly CAR-T, Bispecific Antibodies, Antibody Drug Conjugates
- Venetoclax will have a role in the t(11;14) /bcl-2 high expressors population
- New IMIDs
- Other agents eg Selinexor