## **EFFICACY IN MRD+ B-ALL**

# BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup> WAS STUDIED IN AN INTERNATIONAL, OPEN-LABEL, MULTICENTRE, SINGLE-ARM PHASE II STUDY IN PATIENTS WITH MRD+ B-ALL (BLAST)<sup>1</sup>

Gökbuget N et al. Blood 2018;131:1522-31.

• This single-arm phase II study was the first international, multicentre trial with MRD-based patient inclusion with the endpoint of complete MRD response after the first cycle of treatment<sup>1</sup>

### **BLAST STUDY DESIGN<sup>1</sup>**

#### Adults ≥18 years of age with B-ALL<sup>1</sup>:

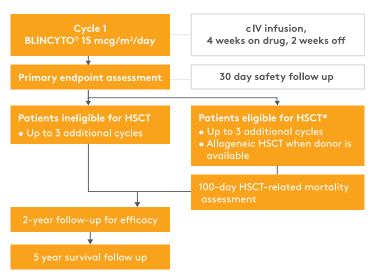
- In haematologic CR
  - o <5% blasts in bone marrow
  - o ANC ≥1,000/mcL
  - o Platelets ≥50,000/mcL
  - o Haemoglobin ≥9 g/dL
- With an MRD level of  $\geq 10^{*-3}$  after  $\geq 3$  intensive chemotherapy treatments

#### AND WITHOUT

- Prior allogeneic HSCT
- Current extramedullary disease or CNS pathology, including active ALL in the CNS
- Prior chemotherapy (within 2 weeks) or radiotherapy (within 4 weeks)

\*In an assay with a minimum sensitivity of  $10^{-4}$ .

#### **BLAST TREATMENT OVERVIEW<sup>1</sup>**



#### **MRD EVALUATION<sup>1</sup>**

- Patients were enrolled based on PCR- or flow cytometry-determined MRD level of ≥10<sup>-3</sup>
- The reference lab confirmed MRD level and status at inclusion by quantitative PCR of individual clonal immunoglobulin and/or T-cell receptor gene rearrangements according to standardised methodology

\*HSCT was offered to eligible patients at any time after cycle 1. Adapted from Gökbuget  $et \; al. \; 2018^1$ 

### **STUDY ENDPOINTS<sup>1</sup>**

Primary	• Complete MRD response rate after 1 cycle (minimum sensitivity 10 <sup>-4</sup> )			
Secondary	<ul> <li>OS</li> <li>Haematologic RFS at 18 months</li> <li>Duration of complete MRD response</li> <li>Time to haematologic relapse</li> <li>Incidence and severity of adverse events</li> </ul>			

## A stringent definition of complete MRD response (no detectable leukaemic blasts by PCR with at least 10<sup>-4</sup> sensitivity) was used.<sup>1</sup>

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**PATIENT POPULATION<sup>1</sup>** 

## BLINCYTO® WAS STUDIED IN PATIENTS WITH PERSISTENT OR RECURRENT MRD AFTER A MINIMUM **OF 3 BLOCKS OF INTENSIVE CHEMOTHERAPY<sup>1</sup>**

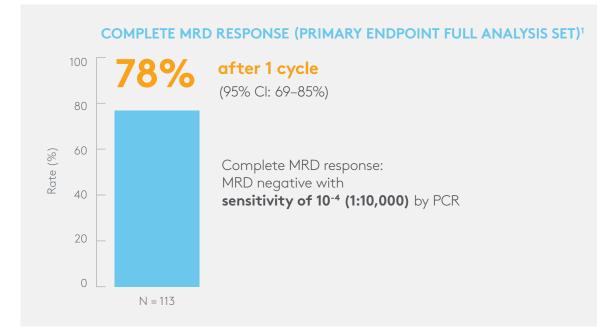
BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS OF PATIENTS (N	N=116)	
Sex, n (%)		
Male	68 (59)	
Median age (range), years	45 (18-76)	
Age, n (%)		
≥18 to <35 years	36 (31)	
≥35 to <55 years	41 (35)	
≥55 to <65 years	24 (21)	
≥65 years	15 (13)	
Median (range) time from prior treatment, months	2 (0-55)	
Relapse history, n (%)		
In first complete remission (CR1)	75 (65)	65% were in CR1
In second complete remission (CR2)	39 (34)	<b>36%</b> were in CR2 or CR.
In third complete remission (CR3)	2 (2)	<b>JU /0</b> were in CR2 or CR
Baseline MRD levels, n (%)*		
≥10 <sup>-1</sup> to <1	9 (8)	A 70/ had high MRD
≥10 <sup>-2</sup> to <10 <sup>-1</sup>	45 (39)	<b>47%</b> had high MRD burden (≥10 <sup>-2</sup> )
≥10 <sup>-3</sup> to <10 <sup>-2</sup>	52 (45)	

\*10 (9%) patients had MRD <10<sup>-3</sup>, below the lower limit of quantification, or unknown MRD. NOTE: Percentages may not add up 100% due to rounding.

The majority of patients studied were in first complete remission (MRD positive after frontline chemotherapy).<sup>1</sup>

# 78% OF ADULT PATIENTS WITH MRD+ B-ALL ACHIEVED A COMPLETE MRD RESPONSE AFTER ONE CYCLE OF BLINCYTO<sup>®1</sup>

BLAST study: An open-label, single-arm phase II trial of 116 poor-prognosis patients in haematologic complete response (first or later) who remained MRD+ after intensive chemotherapy<sup>1</sup>

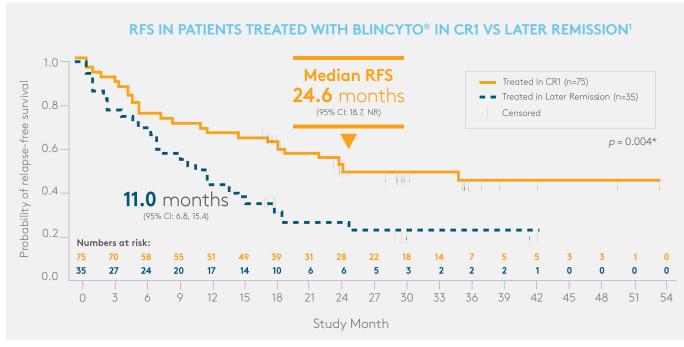


Adapted from Gökbuget et al. 2018.1

**Complete MRD response was numerically higher in B-ALL patients treated with BLINCYTO®** in first complete remission vs later complete remission, suggested that intervening earlier with BLINCYTO® may be beneficial<sup>1</sup>

## BLINCTYO®-TREATED PATIENTS ACHIEVED OVER 2X LONGER RELAPSE-FREE SURVIVAL (RFS) WHEN TREATED IN CR1 VS LATER CR

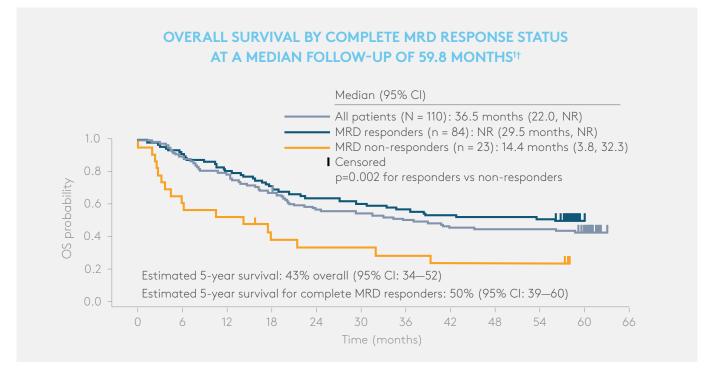
(24.6 vs 11 months; unadjusted HR, 2.09; 95% Cl, 1.26-3.48; p=0.004)<sup>1,2</sup>



\*Log Rank P value

Adapted from Gökbuget N et al. 2018.1

## MEDIAN OVERALL SURVIVAL WAS NOT REACHED WITH 5 YEARS OF FOLLOW-UP IN BLAST STUDY PATIENTS WHO ACHIEVED COMPLETE MRD RESPONSE WITH BLINCYTO<sup>®1,2</sup>



Adapted from Gökbuget *et al.* 2019.<sup>1</sup> Landmark analysis from day 45; complete MRD response was defined as no target amplification, with a minimum sensitivity of 10<sup>-4</sup>. <sup>†</sup>After cycle 1 of BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup> treatment.

Median overall survival was also not reached among:<sup>1</sup>

- Patients who achieved a complete MRD response with BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup> in CR1
- Patients who received HSCT in CCR after BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup>

NCCN guidelines recommend BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup> for MRD+ patients with B-cell precursor ALL in complete haematological remission<sup>2</sup>

## SAFETY IN MRD+ B-ALL

BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup>: CHEMOTHERAPY-FREE IMMUNOTHERAPY WITH A MANAGEABLE TOLERABILITY PROFILE<sup>1</sup>

# ALL ADVERSE EVENTS REGARDLESS OF CAUSALITY THAT OCCURRED DURING THE TREATMENT PERIOD PLUS 30 DAYS (FULL ANALYSIS SET)<sup>1</sup>

	ALL PATIENTS (N = 116)		
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4	
Any adverse event, n (%)	116 (100)	69 (60)	
Non-neurologic adverse events, worst			
grade ≥3 occurring in ≥3% of patients			
Pyrexia	103 (89)	9 (8)	
Headache	44 (38)	4 (3)	
Neutropenia	18 (16)	18 (16)	
Leukopenia	8 (7)	7 (6)	
Anaemia	7 (6)	5 (4)	
ALT increased	7 (6)	6 (5)	
Thrombocytopenia	6 (5)	5 (5)	
AST increased	5 (4)	4 (4)	
Any neurologic adverse event, n (%)*	61 (53)	15 (13)	
Neurologic events, worst grade ≥3			
Tremor	35 (30)	6 (5)	
Aphasia	15 (13)	1 (1)	
Dizziness	9 (8)	1 (1)	
Confused state	6 (5)	1 (1)	
Encephalopathy	6 (5)	5 (5)	
Seizure	3 (3)	2 (2)	
Disorientation	3 (3)	1 (1)	
Depressed level of consciousness	1 (1)	1 (1)	
Generalised tonic-clonic seizure	1 (1)	1 (1)	

Thirty-six patients (31%) had treatment interruptions because of treatment-emergent adverse events, mainly as a result of neurologic events and flu-like symptoms. Those occurring in ≥2% of patients included pyrexia (8%) and aphasia, encephalopathy, overdose, tremor, ALT increased, AST increased, and chills (3% each).

\*Among all patients. Multiple events may have occurred in some patients. Adapted from Gökbuget N *et al.* 2018.

Please see Adverse Event Management section for further details.

- Serious adverse events were managed with treatment interruption or discontinuation<sup>1</sup>
- Most patients who interrupted treatment due to grade3/4 neurologic events resumed BLINCYTO<sup>®</sup> treatments after the event resolved<sup>1</sup>

## BLINCYTO® is the first and only PBS-listed therapy for the treatment of MRD+ B-ALL.<sup>2</sup>

AST: aspartate aminotransferase; ALT: alanine aminotransferase.

References: 1. Gökbuget N et al. Blood 2018;131:1522–31. 2. Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme. Available from www.pbs.gov.au. Accessed January 2020.



For more information on BLINCYTO® or to report any adverse events or product complaints involving BLINCYTO® please contact Australia Medical Information on 1800 803 638

> **PBS Information:** Section 100 listed. Authority required. Refer to PBS Schedule for full Authority listing.

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BLINCYTO® Minimum Product Information: Indication: treatment of relapsed or refractory (R/R) B-cell precursor acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL); treatment of minimal residual disease (MRD) positive ALL in patients in complete haematological remission. Contraindications: hypersensitivity to blinatumomab, CHO-derived proteins or any excipient. Precautions: neurologic events; increased risk for serious infections; cytokine release syndrome; infusion reactions; tumour lysis syndrome, pancreatitis. Management of these adverse reactions may require interruption or discontinuation of treatment. Neutropenia and febrile neutropenia; elevated liver enzymes; leukoencephalopathy; medication errors - strictly follow preparation and administration instructions. Pregnancy Category: C. Use contraception during and for 48 hours after treatment. Discontinue breast-feeding during and for at least 48 hours after treatment. Do not use recommended adult fixed dose in paediatric patients. No data in patients aged less than 28 days. Interactions: low potential of clinically meaningful drug interaction with BLINCYTO® mediated cytokine elevation. Vaccination with live viral vaccines not recommended 2 weeks prior to or during treatment, and until recovery of B lymphocytes to normal range following last treatment cycle. Adverse Reactions: Common: infections, pyrexia, infusion-related reactions, headache, anaemia, febrile neutropenia, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, oedema, increased liver enzymes, fatique, nausea, tremor, hypokalaemia, diarrhoea, chills. See also Precautions for serious adverse reactions. Dosage & Administration: R/R ALL: Single cycle is 4 weeks continuous intravenous (cIV) infusion then 2 week treatment free interval. For patients greater than or equal to 45 kg (fixed dose): Cycle 1 - starting dose 9 micrograms/day for days 1-7, then 28 micrograms/day for days 8-28. All other cycles 28 micrograms/day for 4 weeks. For patients less than 45 kg (body surface area based dose): Cycle 1 – starting dose 5 micrograms/m<sup>2</sup>/day for days 1-7 (do not exceed 9 micrograms/ day), then 15 micrograms/m<sup>2</sup>/day (do not exceed 28 micrograms/day); all other cycles, 15 micrograms/m<sup>2</sup>/day (do not exceed 28 micrograms/day). For maintenance, 28 day cIV infusion, then 56 days treatment free. Hospitalise at least first 9 days of Cycle 1 and first 2 days of Cycle 2. Supervision or hospitalisation for other cycle starts and reinitiation. Adults: premedicate with 20 mg IV dexamethasone prior to initiation of each cycle. Intrathecal chemotherapy prophylaxis recommended before and during therapy. Treat with dexamethasone (< 24 mg/day) if high tumour burden. Paediatrics: premedicate with dexamethasone 10 mg/m2 (not to exceed 20 mg) oral or IV 6 to 12 hours prior to start of BLINCYTO® (Cycle 1 day 1), followed by premedication with dexamethasone 5 mg/m<sup>2</sup> oral or IV within 30 minutes of start of BLINCYTO® (Cycle 1 day 1). MRD+ ALL: 28 day cIV infusion then 14 days treatment free, for up to 4 cycles; premedicate with prednisone 100 mg IV or equivalent 1 hour prior to start of BLINCYTO® each cycle; hospitalise first 3 days Cycle 1 and first 2 days Cycle 2, supervise/hospital for subsequent cycle starts and reinitiation – see full PI. R/R & MRD + ALL – Interrupt BLINCYTO® if grade 3 neurological events, Cytokine Release Syndrome or other clinically relevant adverse reactions occur see full PI.



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