First Line Treatment In HCC

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Management of HCC: Multidisciplinary Team





"You have an extremely, rare, hard-to-treat disease — are you trying to make me look bad?"



HCC SUBCLASSES

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Molecular alterations responsible of cell proliferation and survival. Specific for each cancer subclass	Class A Wnt Activation	Class B Proliferation: Akt/mTOR Ras/MEK IGF signal C-met TGF-B	Class C Interferon- response	Class D Other Gains 7?	
Molecular alterations responsible of checkpoint inactivation, evading apoptosis, limitless	Checkpoint inacti∨ation (p53, Rb, CCND1)				
	E∨ading apoptosis (BCL2, p53)				
replicative potential and angiogenesis	Limitless replicati∨e potential (TERT)				
Common to most tumors	Sustained angiogenesis (VEGF,PDGFR)				





Sorafenib

Raf-1, B-Raf, VEGFRs 1, 2, and 3 and PDGFR- β

Phase III SHARP and Asia-Pacific studies: Study designs

SHARP¹

ELIGIBILITY Advanced HCC, ECOG PS 0-2, Child-Pugh A, no prior systemic therapy



ASIA-PACIFIC²

STRATIFICATION MVI and/or EHS, ECOG PS (0 vs 1-2), geographic region



Endpoints: OS, TTSP, TTP, DCR, safety (no primary endpoint defined)

Overall survival from two phase III trials: SHARP and Asia-Pacific



Lenvatinib



A Phase 3 Trial of Lenvatinib vs Soraf First-line Treatment of Patients With Unre ctab A Phase 3 Trial of Lenvatinib vs Sorafenib in First-line Treatment of Patients With Unresectable Hepatocellular Carcinoma ³Nanjing (REFLECT Study) rance Hospital, Yonsei University, Seoul, S. Korea; ⁵Toranomon Hospital Japan; (REFLECT Study) a Pacific Medical Center Research Institute, San Francisco, CA, USA; ⁸ Cancer Center Korea, Goyang-si, S. Korea; Xijing Hospital, Fourth Military Medical University, Xi'an, China; ¹⁰Medical University Gdansk, BRESENTED BY ANN-LIJ CHENG AT 2017 ASCO ANNUAL MEETINGschool, Hannover, Germany; ¹³N.N

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Primary Endpoint: Kaplan-Meier Estimate of OS

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Secondary Endpoint: Kaplan-Meier Estimate of PFS by mRECIST



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Nivolumab in patients with advanced hepatocellular carcinoma (CheckMate 040): an open-label, non-comparative, phase 1/2 dose escalation and expansion trial

Anthony B El-Khoueiry, *Bruno Sangro, *Thomas Yau, Todd S Crocenzi, Masatoshi Kudo, Chiun Hsu, Tae-You Kim, Su-Pin Choo, Jörg Trojan, Theodore H Welling 3rd, Tim Meyer, Yoon-Koo Kang, Winnie Yeo, Akhil Chopra, Jeffrey Anderson, Christine dela Cruz, Lixin Lang, Jaclyn Neely, Hao Tang, Homa B Dastani, Ignacio Melero



El-Khoueiry A et al, Lancet, online April 2017

Survival update based on sorafenib exposure



Figure 4. Overall Survival

Kaplan-Meier method; closed circles denote censored patients.

Crocenzi T et al, J Clin Oncol 35, 2017 (suppl; abstr 4013)

Eligibility

- (N=726)
- Histologically confirmed advanced HCC
- Child-Pugh A
- ECOG-PS 0 or 1
- No prior systemic therapy
- Not eligible for surgical and/or locoregional therapies
- Excluded: Co-infections HBV/HCV

Stratification

- Etiology
- MVI and/or EHS
- Geography Regions



Check Mate 459: OS (Primary Endpoint)

Survival Outcome	Nivolumab (n = 371)	Sorafenib (n = 372)	HR
Median OS, mos (95% CI) (primary endpoint)	16.4 (13.9-18.4)	14.7 (11.9-17.2)	0.85 (95% CI: 0.72-1.02; P = .0752)
12-mo OS rate, %	59.7	55.1	
24-mo OS rate, %	36.8	33.1	
Patients with PD-L1 ≥ 1%			
 Median OS, mos (95% CI) 	16.1 (8.4-22.3)	8.6 (5.7-16.3)	0.80 (0.54-1.19)
Patients with PD-L1 < 1%			
 Median OS, mos (95% CI) 	16.7 (13.9-18.6)	15.2 (12.6-18.1)	0.84 (0.69-1.02)

Check Mate 459: PFS and Response

Outcome	Nivolumab	Sorafenib
Median PFS, mos (95% CI)	3.7 (3.1-3.9)	3.8 (3.7-4.5)
12-mo PFS rate, %	22	14
24-mo PFS rate, %	14	6
ORR, n (%)	57 (15)	26 (7)
Best objective response, n (%) CR PR	14 (4) 43 (12)	5 (1) 21 (6)
ORR by PD-L1 expression, n/N (%) ■ PD-L1 ≥ 1% ■ PD-L1 < 1%	20/71 (28) 36/295 (12)	6/64 (9) 20/300 (7)

IMbrave150 Study Design

Key eligibility

- Locally advanced or metastatic and/or unresectable HCC
- No prior systemic therapy

(N = 501)

Stratification criteria

- Region (Asia, excluding Japan^a/ rest of world)
- ECOG PS (0/1)
- Macrovascular invasion and/or extrahepatic spread (presence/absence)
- Baseline AFP (< 400/≥ 400 ng/mL)



Co-primary endpoints

- OS
- IRF-assessed PFS per RECIST 1.1

Secondary endpoints include

- IRF-assessed ORR per RECIST 1.1 and HCC mRECIST
- PROs: TTD^b of QOL, physical and role functioning (EORTC QLQ-C30)

Exploratory PRO endpoints

- TTD^c of symptoms (EORTC QLQ-HCC18)
- Patients (%) with clinically meaningful deterioration in QOL, physical and role functioning

EORTC, European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer; IRF, independent review facility; mRECIST, modified RECIST; TTD, time to deterioration. ^a Japan is included in rest of world. ^b Time from randomization to first decrease from baseline of ≥ 10 points maintained for 2 consecutive assessments or 1 assessment followed by death from any cause within 3 weeks. ^c Time from randomization to the first increase from baseline of ≥ 10 points maintained for 2 consecutive assessments or 1 assessment followed by death from any cause within 3 weeks.

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Baseline characteristics

	Updated analysis			
Characteristic	Atezo + Bev (n = 336)	Sorafenib (n = 165)		
Median age (range), years	64 (26-88)	66 (33-87)		
Male, n (%)	277 (82)	137 (83)		
Region, n (%)				
Asia (excluding Japan ^a)	133 (40)	68 (41)		
Rest of world	203 (60)	97 (59)		
ECOG PS 1, n (%)	127 (38)	62 (38)		
Child-Pugh class, n (%)				
A/B	333 (99) / 1 (< 1)	165 (100) / 0		
BCLC staging at study entry, n (%)				
A/B/C	8 (2) / 51 (15) / 277 (82)	6 (4) / 25 (15) / 134 (81)		
Eliology of HCC, n (%)				
HBV / HCV / Non-viral	164 (49) / 72 (21) / 100 (30)	76 (46) / 36 (22) / 53 (32)		
AFP ≥ 400 ng/mL, n (%)	120 (38)	01 (07)		
EHS, n (%)	212 (63)	93 (56)		
MVI, n (%)	129 (38)	71 (43)		
EHS and/or MVI, n (%)	258 (77)	120 (73)		
Prior TACE, n (%)	131 (39)	70 (42)		
Prior radiotherapy, n (%)	34 (10)	17 (10)		

Clinical cutoff: August 31, 2020; median follow-up: 15.6 mo. ^a Japan is included in rest of world.

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IMbrave150 Co-Primary Endpoints: OS and PFS¹



NE, not estimable.

Data cutoff, August 29, 2019; median survival follow-up, 8.6 months. ^a HR and *P* value were from Cox model and log-rank test and were stratified by geographic region (Asia vs rest of world, including Japan), AFP level (< 400 vs ≥ 400 ng/mL) at baseline and MVI and/or EHS (yes vs no) per IxRS. ^b The 2-sided *P* value boundary based on 161 events is 0.0033. ^c The 2-sided *P* value boundary is 0.002. 1. Cheng A-L, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2019;30(suppl 9) [abstract LBA3].

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included and their weighting factors are shown in Figure 2. BCLC, HAP, mHAP-II, and Six-and-Twelve score were calculated as described in the original publications [3,8,16–



OS by ALBI grade



Clinical cutoff: August 31, 2020; median follow-up: 15.6 mo. NE, not estimable.^a HR is unstratified.

OS by mALBI grade







OS events, n (%) 53 (74) HR (95% CI)^a 0



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30 (73)



Clinical cutoff: August 31, 2020; median follow-up: 15.6 mo. a HR is unstratified.

IMbrave150: Safety



- EGD within 6 mo of initiating treatment required to evaluate for varices; varices of any size according to local standards of care
- Upper GI bleeding rate in atezo + bev vs sorafenib groups: 7% vs 4.5%; this was consistent with historical data in other studies of bevacizumab in HCC

≥10% frequency in either arm and >5% difference between arms.

Cheng. ESMO Asia 2019. Abstr LBA3. Finn. NEJM. 2020;382:1894

Association of High Levels of Antidrug Antibodies Against Atezolizumab With Clinical Outcomes and T-Cell Responses in Patients With Hepatocellular Carcinoma



Kim et al. Jama Oncology 2022







HIMALAYA

HIMALAYA: Study Design^{1,2}

Phase III, randomized, open-label, multicenter, global study

To evaluate the efficacy and safety of durvalumab plus tremelimumab combination therapy and durvalumab monotherapy versus sorafenib in the 1L treatment of patients with unresectable HCC



*Treatment continued until disease progression. Patients with progressive disease who, in the investigator's opinion, continued to benefit from treatment and met the criteria for treatment in the setting of progressive disease could continue treatment; ^bArm 2 was closed following a preplanned analysis of a Phase II study. The protocol was amended to randomly assign patients 1:1:1 to receive STRIDE, durvalumab, or sorafenib. Patients randomized to this arm could continue treatment. Results from this arm are not reported here; ^cAccording to RECISTv1.1 per investigator assessment.

1L = first-line; BID = twice daily; DCR = disease control rate; DoR = duration of response; ECOG PS = Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; HBV = hepatitis B virus; HCV = hepatitis C virus; HCC = hepatocellular carcinoma; IV = intravenous; ORR = objective response rate; OS = overall survival; PFS = progression-free survival; RECIST v1.1 = Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors, version 1.1; Q4W = every 4 weeks; STRIDE = Single Tremelimumab Regular Interval Durvalumab; vs. = versus.

1. Study NCT03298451. ClinicalTrials.gov website. 2. Abou-Alfa GK, et al. NEJM Evid. 2022. doi:10.1056/EVIDoa2100070.

Baseline characteristics

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Male sex, n (%)	327 (83.2)	323 (83.0)	337 (86.6)		Child-Pugh	Child-Pugh	Child-Pugh
Median age (range), years	65.0 (22-86)	64.0 (20-86)	64.0 (18-88)		classification,† n (%) A	classification, [†] n (%) A 392 (99.7)	classification, [†] n (%) A 392 (99.7) 388 (99.7)
Region, n (%) Asia (excluding Japan)	156 (39.7)	167 (42.9)	156 (40.1)		B Missing	B 0 Missing 1 (0.3)	B 0 1 (0.3) Missing 1 (0.3) 0
Rest of world (Including Japan)	237 (60.3)	222 (57.1)	233 (59.9)		ALBI grade, n (%)	ALBI grade, n (%)	ALBI grade, n (%)
Viral etiology, ^{*,†} n (%) HBV HCV	122 (31.0) 110 (28.0)	119 (30.6) 107 (27.5)	119 (30.6) 104 (26.7)		1 2 3	1 217 (55.2) 2 174 (44.3) 3 1 (0.3)	1 217 (55.2) 198 (50.9) 2 174 (44.3) 189 (48.6) 3 1 (0.3) 2 (0.5)
Nonviral	161 (41.0)	163 (41.9)	166 (42.7)		MVI,† n (%)	MVI,† n (%) 103 (26.2)	MVI, [†] n (%) 103 (26.2) 94 (24.2)
ECOG PS, n (%)	244 (62 1)	237 (60.9)	241 (62.0)		EHS, [†] n (%)	EHS, [†] n (%) 209 (53.2)	EHS, [†] n (%) 209 (53.2) 212 (54.5)
1	148 (37.7)	150 (38.6)	147 (37.8)		PD-L1 positive, [‡] n (%)	PD-L1 positive, [‡] n (%) 148 (37.7)	PD-L1 positive, [‡] n (%) 148 (37.7) 154 (39.6)
BCLC, [†] n (%)	77 (10.6)	80 (20 6)	66 (17.0)				
C	316 (80.4)	309 (79.4)	323 (83.0)		AFP ≥400 ng/ml,†n (%)	AFP ≥400 ng/ml,† n (%) 145 (36.9)	AFP ≥400 ng/ml, [†] n (%) 145 (36.9) 137 (35.2)

*HBV: patients who tested positive for HBsAg or anti-HBc with detectable HBV DNA; HCV: patients who tested positive for HCV or had history of HCV infection; Nonviral: no active viral hepatitis identified. [†]Determined at screening. [‡]Defined as tumor area positivity score ≥1%.

T300+D, tremelimumab 300 mg × 1 dose + durvalumab 1500 mg Q4W.

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Baseline liver function in the HIMALAYA study population

Characteristic	T300+D (n=393)	Durvalumab (n=389)	Sorafenib (n=389)
Mean Child-Pugh score* (SD)	5.3 (0.52)	5.3 (0.50)	5.3 (0.51)
Child-Pugh class/score, n (%) A/5 A/6 B/7 Other	295 (75.1) 92 (23.4) 4 (1.0) 2 (0.5)	284 (73.0) 96 (24.7) 8 (2.1) 1 (0.3)	277 (71.2) 102 (26.2) 10 (2.6) 0
ALBI grade, n (%) 1 2 3 Missing	217 (55.2) 174 (44.3) 1 (0.3) 1 (0.3)	198 (50.9) 189 (48.6) 2 (0.5) 0	203 (52.2) 185 (47.6) 1 (0.3) 0

- Baseline liver function was similar across treatment arms
- In the HIMLAYA study population, 52.8% of patients were in the ALBI grade 1 subgroup and 47.1% were in the ALBI grade 2/3 subgroup

HIMALAYA: Primary Endpoint – OS for T300+D (STRIDE) vs Sorafenib^a



HIMALAYA: Secondary Endpoint – OS for Durvalumab vs Sorafenib



HIMALAYA: Secondary Endpoint – Summary of PFS



	T300+D	Durvalumab	Sorafenib
	(n=393)	(n=389)	(n=389)
PFS events, n (%)	335 (85.2)	345 (88.7)	327 (84.1)
Median PFS (95% CI),	3.78	3.65	4.07
months	(3.68–5.32)	(3.19–3.75)	(3.75–5.49)
PFS HRª	0.90	1.02	_
(95% CI)	(0.77–1.05)	(0.88–1.19)	
Progression-free at DCO, n (%)	49 (12.5)	32 (8.2)	19 (4.9)
Median TTP (95% CI),	5.42	3.75	5.55
months	(3.81–5.62)	(3.68– 5.42)	(5.13– 5.75)
Treated ≥1 cycle beyond progression, n (%) ^b	182 (46.9)	188 (48.5)	192 (51.3)

HIMALAYA: OS for STRIDE (T300+D) Versus Sorafenib by ALBI Grade^{1,2}



ALBI grade 2/3



OS HRs for STRIDE (T300+D) versus sorafenib in the ALBI Grade 1 and ALBI Grade 2/3 subgroups were generally consistent with the full analysis set (0.78; 96.02% CI, 0.65-0.93)²

*OS HRs and 95% CIs were calculated using a Cox proportional hazards model adjusting for treatment, etiology, ECOG performance status, and macrovascular invasion. ALBI = albumin-bilirubin; CI = confidence interval; ECOG = Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; HR = hazard ratio; mo = months; OS = overall survival; STRIDE = Single Tremelimumab Regular Interval Durvalumab; T300+D = tremelimumab 300 mg × 1 dose + durvalumab 1500 mg Q4W; Q4W = every 4 weeks.

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HIMALAYA: OS for Durvalumab Versus Sorafenib by ALBI Grade^{1,2}



 OS HRs for durvalumab versus sorafenib in the ALBI grade 1 and ALBI grade 2/3 subgroups were generally consistent with the full analysis set (0.86; 95.67% CI, 0.73–1.03)²

*OS HRs and 95% CIs were calculated using a Cox proportional hazards model adjusting for treatment, etiology, ECOG performance status, and macrovascular invasion. ALBI = albumin-bilirubin; CI = confidence interval; ECOG = Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; HR = hazard ratio; mo = months; OS = overall survival.

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HIMALAYA: Safety

Event, n (%)	Durva + Trem (n = 388)	Durvalumab (n = 388)	Sorafenib (n = 374)
Any AE	378 (97.4)	345 (88.9)	357 (95.5)
Any TRAF	294 (75.8)	202 (52.1)	317 (84.8)
Grade 3/4 TRAE	100 (25.8)	50 (12.9)	138 (36.9)
TRAE leading to death	9 (2.3)	0	3 (0.8)
TRAE leading to discontinuation	32 (8.2)	16 (4.1)	41 (11.0)
Immune-mediated AE requiring treatment with high-dose steroids	78 (20.1)	37 (9.5)	7 (1.9)
Immune-mediated AE leading to discontinuation of study treatment	22 (5.7)	10 (2.6)	6 (1.6)

HIMALAYA: Treatment-related Hepatic or Hemorrhage SMQ Events^a

Event, n (%)	T300+D (n=388)		Durvalumab (n=388)		Sorafenib (n=374)		
	All Grades	Grade ≥3	All Grades	Grade ≥3	All Grades	Grade ≥3	
Patients with hepatic SMQ TRAE	66 (17.0)	27 (7.0)	55 (14.2)	20 (5.2)	46 (12.3)	18 (4.8)	
Patients with hemorrhage SMQ TRAE	7 (1.8)	2 (0.5)	3 (0.8)	0	18 (4.8)	6 (1.6)	
Alanine aminotransferase increased	18 (4.6)	4 (1.0)	22 (5.7)	5 (1.3)	8 (2.1)	3 (0.8)	
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	22 (5.7)	9 (2.3)	25 (6.4)	9 (2.3)	10 (2.7)	6 (1.6)	
Blood bilirubin increased	6 (1.5)	1 (0.3)	6 (1.5)	0	10 (2.7)	2 (0.5)	
Ascites	1 (0.3)	0	0	0	2 (0.5)	0	
Hepatic encephalopathy	0	0	0	0	2 (0.5)	1 (0.3)	
Activated partial thromboplastin time prolonged	1 (0.3)	0	0	0	0	0	
International normalized ratio increased	4 (1.0)	1 (0.3)	0	0	0	0	
Esophageal varices hemorrhage	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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1L and 2L Treatment Options in Unresectable HCC





Thanks

Anti-PD-L1 (atezolizumab) plus anti-VEGF (bevacizumab) combination therapy and the STRIDE regimen are recommended 1L treatments for patients with unresectable HCC



*Except for those with tumour burden acceptable for transplant.