# Long-Term Responses With Loncastuximab Tesirine: Updated Results From LOTIS-2, the Pivotal Phase 2 Study of Patients With Relapsed/Refractory Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma

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# INTRODUCTION

- Patients with diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL) who relapse after stem cell transplant (SCT) or chimeric antig refractory to second-line therapy have a poor prognosis and few treatment options<sup>1,2</sup>
- There is an unmet need for accessible therapies with manageable toxicity profiles that have demonstrated long-t relapsed/refractory (R/R) DLBCL
- Loncastuximab tesirine (loncastuximab tesirine-lpyl [Lonca]), an anti-CD19 antibody conjugated to a pyrrolobenz single-agent antitumor activity in LOTIS-2, the pivotal phase 2 study, in heavily pretreated patients with R/R DLBC - Lonca monotherapy was approved in the US in 2021 and in Europe in 2022<sup>5,6</sup>
- A follow-up analysis (data cutoff: March 1, 2021), at a median (range) of 7.8 (0.3 to 31.0) months, showed a similar overall response rate (ORR) to the primary analysis, with a complete response (CR) rate of 24.8% and a median duration of response (DOR) of 13.4 months<sup>7</sup>

# OBJECTIVE

• To present updated long-term efficacy and safety results from patients with R/R DLBCL treated with Lonca in the phase 2 LOTIS-2 study (NCT03589469), including for subgroups of patients with durable CR

# **METHODS**

# Study Design

- LOTIS-2 was a multicenter, open-label, single-arm, phase 2 study of Lonca monotherapy in patients with R/R DLBCL after ≥2 prior systemic therapies, with measurable disease (2014 Lugano criteria<sup>8</sup>) and an Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) performance status of 0-2<sup>4</sup>
- Intravenous Lonca was administered every 3 weeks on day 1 of each 21-day cycle at a dose of 0.15 mg/kg for 2 cycles followed by 0.075 mg/kg for subsequent cycles
- Follow-up was every 12 weeks for up to 3 years after the end of treatment

# Efficacy and Safety Outcomes

- The primary endpoint was the ORR (2014 Lugano criteria<sup>8</sup>)
- Secondary endpoints included the CR rate, DOR, progression-free survival (PFS), and overall survival (OS)
- Safety endpoints included the frequency and severity of treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs)

# **Statistical Analysis**

- The data cutoff for this analysis was September 15, 2022
- Efficacy and safety analyses were performed for the following:
- All-treated patients
- Patients with a CR
- Patients with a CR who were event-free (defined as no progressive disease or death) for ≥1 year from day 1 of cycle 1 - Patients with a CR who were event-free for  $\geq 2$  years from day 1 of cycle 1

# RESULTS

# **Patient Population**

- The median (range) follow-up was 7.8 (0.3 to 42.6) months, and 145 patients had received at least 1 dose of Lonca
- In patients with a CR, the median (range) duration of follow-up was 35.0 (4.4 to 42.6) months • The baseline patient demographics and disease characteristics, both in the all-treated population and in subgroups of patients with a long-term
- response, are shown in **Table 1**
- The median (range) number of treatment cycles was 3.0 (1 to 26) in the all-treated population, 8.0 (1 to 26) in patients with a CR, 12.5 (1 to 26) in patients with a CR who were event free for ≥1 year, and 13.0 (1 to 22) in patients with a CR who were event free for ≥2 years

# Efficacy Outcomes

- The ORR was 48.3% (70/145), with a CR rate of 24.8% (36/145)
- Among patients with a CR, 44% (16/36) and 31% (11/36) were event-free for  $\geq 1$  and  $\geq 2$  years, respectively
- All 11 patients with a CR who were event-free for ≥2 years were censored due to patient discontinuation of the study
- The median (range) time to response was 41.0 (35 to 247) days for all responders and 42.0 (36 to 247) days for patients with a CR • The median (95% CI) DOR was 13.37 (6.87, –) months in the all-treated population and was not reached among patients with a CR (Figure 1) • The median (95% CI) PFS (4.93 months [2.89 to 8.3]) and OS (9.53 months [6.7 to 11.5]) in the all-treated population and in patients with a CR (not
- reached for both PFS and OS) are shown in **Figures 2A** and **2B** • Additional efficacy outcomes for the all-treated population and the subset of patients with CR are summarized in **Table 2**

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Table 1: Baseline patient demographics and disease characteristics					
	All-treated N = 145	Best response of CR at any time n = 36	Patients with CR who were event-free ≥1 year n = 16	Patients with CR who were event-free ≥2 years n = 11	
Sex, n (%) Female	60 (41.4)	22 (61.1)	13 (81.3)	9 (81.8)	
Age Median, years (range)	66.0 (23, 94)	67.5 (45, 94)	71.0 (53, 84)	70.0 (53, 82)	
ECOG score, n (%) 0 1 2	58 (40.0) 78 (53.8) 9 (6.2)	19 (52.8) 14 (38.9) 3 (8.2)	9 (56.3) 6 (37.5) 1 (6.3)	7 (63.6) 3 (27.3) 1 (9.1)	
Histology, <sup>a</sup> n (%) DLBCL, NOS HGBCL <sup>b</sup> Primary mediastinal DLBCL	128 (88.3) 10 (6.9) 7 (4.8)	31 (86.1) 5 (13.9) 0	11 (68.8) 5 (31.3) 0	8 (72.7) 3 (27.3) 0	
Transformed DLBCL, n (%)	30 (20.7)	7 (19.4)	4 (25.0)	2 (18.2)	
Double/triple hit, n (%) Double hit Triple hit	12 (8.3) 3 (2.1)	5 (13.9) 0	5 (31.3) 0	3 (27.3) 0	
Stage, n (%) I-II III-IV	33 (22.8) 112 (77.2)	9 (25.0) 27 (75.0)	3 (18.8) 13 (81.3)	2 (18.2) 9 (81.8)	
Prior systemic therapies Median (range)	3.0 (2, 7)	3.0 (2, 7)	2.0 (2, 7)	2.0 (2, 7)	
Primary refractory, n (%)	29 (20.0)	5 (13.9)	2 (12.5)	0	
Refractory to last line of therapy	89 (61.4)	11 (30.6)	5 (31.3)	4 (36.4)	
Prior stem cell transplant, n (%)	24 (16.6)	8 (22.2)	1 (6.3)	1 (9.1)	
Prior CAR-T therapy, n (%)	14 (9.7)	3 (8.3)	2 (12.5)	0	

CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T-cell; CR, complete response; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; HGBCL, high-grade B-cell lymphoma; NOS, not otherwise specified. <sup>a</sup>Relapsed/refractory DLBCL was classified according to the 2016 WHO classification. <sup>b</sup>The primary analyses reported HGBCL in 11 patients.

# Figure 1. Kaplan–Meier curve of the DOR in the all-treated population and the subset of patients with a CR



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Patients at risk All-treated population CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response

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**Figure 2.** Kaplan–Meier curves of the (A) PFS in the all-treated population (N = 145) and the subset of patients with a best response of a CR (n = 36), and (B) OS in the all-treated population and the subset of patients with a best response of a CR (n = 36)



	Median (95% CI) months: not reached	
	Number of events: 23	
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# Number of events: 6 Median (95% CI) months: not reached Number of events: 73 Median (95% CI) months: 4.93 (2.89, 8.31) 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 Time, months

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### Number of events: 12 Median (95% CI) months: not reached

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# **Table 2:** Summary of efficacy outcomes

Median DOR, months (95% CI) Probability of maintaining response at 1 Probability of maintaining response at 2 Median PFS, months (95% CI) Probability of maintaining PFS at 1 year Probability of maintaining PFS at 2 years

Median OS, months (95% CI) Probability of maintaining OS at 1 year Probability of maintaining OS at 2 years

CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

- Ten patients with a CR proceeded to SCT (**Figure 3**)



Each bar represents one patient in the study. Response was determined by an independent reviewer \*Reasons for censoring included study discontinuation, new anticancer treatment started (excluding SCT), no valid post-baseline assessment, or transplant. CR, complete response; SCT, stem cell transplant.

# Safety Outcomes

- No new safety signals were identified during the long-term follow-up

# CONCLUSIONS

- safety profile

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	All-treated N = 145	Best response of CR n = 36
Vear	13.4 (6.9, -) 54 7% (37 9, 68 8)	NR 82.8% (59.9.93.3)
years	44.6% (27.9, 60.0)	72.4% (48.1, 86.8)
	4.9 (2.9, 8.3) 33.5% (23.3, 44.0) 25.9% (16.2, 36.7)	NR 82.9% (60.0, 93.3) 72.5% (48.2, 86.8)
	9.5 (6.7, 11.5) 39.0% (30.7, 47.1) 29.5% (22.0, 37.4)	NR 77.1% (59.4, 87.9) 68.2% (50.0, 81.0)

• Among patients with a CR (n = 36), the median (range) duration of time patients remained treatment-free post-Lonca was 6.1 (1.0 to 37.5) months

- In the subsets of patients who were event-free for ≥1 year and ≥2 years, the median (range) duration of time patients remained treatment-free post-Lonca was 24.8 (3.4 to 37.5) months and 27.7 (20.7 to 37.5) months, respectively

- As assessed by principal investigators, 4 of the 5 patients with a record of response achieved a CR after SCT; the remaining one patient had disease progression

# Months since 1st dose

• All-grade TEAEs were reported in 98.6% of the all-treated population and 100% of patients with a CR

– All-grade TEAEs occurring in ≥30% of all patients were increased gamma-glutamyltransferase (GGT; 42%), neutropenia (40%), and thrombocytopenia (33%)

- All-grade TEAEs occurring in ≥30% of patients with a CR were increased GGT (50%), neutropenia (42%), anemia (36%), thrombocytopenia (36%), peripheral edema (33%), and nausea (31%) Grade ≥3 TEAEs were reported in 73.8% of patients and in 75% of patients with a CR

- Grade  $\geq$ 3 TEAEs occurring in  $\geq$ 10% of the all-treated population were neutropenia (26%), thrombocytopenia (18%), increased GGT (17%), and anemia (10%)

- Grade >3 TEAEs occurring in >10% of patients with a CR were neutropenia (28%), increased GGT (19%), thrombocytopenia (19%), leukopenia (14%), and hypophosphatemia (11%)

• Among heavily pretreated patients in the LOTIS-2 study, Lonca continued to demonstrate durable, long-term responses with a manageable

- Eleven of the 36 patients with a CR were event-free for ≥2 years with no evidence of disease and no new anticancer therapy post-Lonca - Patients with a CR maintained a median treatment-free period of 6.1 months from the last Lonca dose • Further study is needed to identify factors predictive of long-term response to Lonca

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