





Update in AML: ASCO and EHA 2018 Annual Congresses Targeting the Biologic Drivers of AML: Focus on FLT3

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AML: Basic Facts

- Estimated new cases annually = 19,520^a
- Most patients diagnosed after age 60 years^a
- Heterogeneous based on disease- and patient-related features^b
- Therapy is adapted accordingly^c
- 5-year OS = 27%^a

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- Outcomes have improved in younger patients but remain suboptimal
- Outcomes have not improved as much for older patients; 5-year OS for AML patients older than 65 years = 5%^a



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Effect of *FLT3*-ITD Mutation on Outcome (UK NCRI AML 10 and AML 12)







	AML 1 1,0	AML 15 (median age, 47 years) 1,007 pts were recruited		AML 17 (median age, 50 years) 1,708 pts were recruited			
Selection Bias: 81%	82	825 FLT3 status tested 215 tested positive 175 randomly assigned		1,633 <i>FLT3</i> status t	ested		
				406 tested positive 325 randomly assigned			
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AMI 45 and 47	Lestaurtinib	Standard	DValue	AML 17	Lestaurtinib	Standard	P Value
ELT3-ITD alone n (%)	n = 300 220 (73)	n = 200	P value	5-y OS: No azole	60	55	.03
CR/CRi. %	92	94	4	5-y OS: Azole	40	60	
Survival at 5 y	51	56	.4	(n = 83)			
				> 85%	60		.04
				≤ 85%	33		













Quizartinib in *FLT3*-ITD–Positive R/R AML: Efficacy

	30-mg arm (n = 38)	60-mg arm (n = 38)	Total (N = 76)
ORR, CRc, and PR, %	60.5	71.1	65.8
CRc, %	47.4	47.4	47.4
Median duration CRc, wk	4.2	9.1	5.4
Bridge to HSCT, %	32	42	37
Median OS, wk	20.9	27.3	22.6

AEs included febrile neutropenia, anemia, thrombocytopenia, neutropenia, pneumonia, increased bilirubin, and pyrexia Cortes JE, et al. *Blood.* 2018. [Epub ahead of print]











QuANTUM-R: Best Response

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	Percentage (95% CI)			
Characteristic	Quizartinib n = 245	Salvage Chemotherapy n = 122		
Best response				
CRc ^a	48 (42-55)	27 (19-36)		
CR	4 (2-7)	1 (0-5)		
CRp	4 (2-7)	0 (0-3)		
CRi	40 (34-47)	26 (19-35)		
PR .	21 (16-27)	3 (1-8)		
DRR (CRc + PR)	69 (63-75)	30 (22-39)		
lo response	25 (20-31)	37 (28-46)		
Ionevaluable	5 (3-9)	33 (25-42)		
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Characteristic	Quizartinib n = 245	Salvage Chemotherapy n = 122
Duration of CRc (95% C	I), weeks	
Median	12.1 (10.4-27.1)	5.0 (3.3-12.6)
Transplant, %		
Transplant rate ^a	32	12
*Nominal P < .0001 for between-group comparison of transplan Cortes JE, et al. <i>Blood</i> . 2018. [Epub ahead of print]	t rate.	
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Targeting FLT3 in AML: Closing Thoughts

- 1. Single-agent inhibitors of FLT3 are active in AML, but response rates are low despite the presence of the biomarker and inhibition of the target in all subjects
 - Predictors of response are needed
- 2. Combination of a kinase inhibitor with chemotherapy improves the survival of patients with *FLT3*-mutated AML
 - OS benefit with midostaurin is less than impressive
 - Biological basis of survival benefit is not certain (ie, inhibition of FLT3 or other kinases)
 - Will more specific inhibitors further improve outcome with chemotherapy?
- 3. FLT3 is a late event in leukemogenesis and is likely present only in a subclone
- Combination of FLT3 inhibitors with agents that target cellular apoptosis (eg, BCL2 inhibitors, MDM2 inhibitors) or target the leukemic stem cell (eg, Hedgehog inhibitors, anti-CD123 antibody drug conjugates) may further improve efficacy of this class of drugs





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Aspects of Most Studied CD19 CAR T-Cell Constructs—The Models

Academic Group	Company (Drug)	Costimulatory Domain	Vector Delivery	Indications
UPenn	Novartis (CTL019)	4-1BB	Lentiviral	ALL, CLL, DLBCL, FL
MSKCC	Juno (JCAR 015)	CD28	Retroviral	ALL, CLL, various B-cell
Fred Hutchinson	Juno (JCAR 017)	4-1BB	Lentiviral	malignancies
NCI (NIH)	Kite Pharma (KTE- C19)	CD28	Retroviral	DLBCL
Baylor	Bluebird/Celgene	CD28	Retroviral	ALL, CLL
MDACC	Ziopharm/Intrexon	$\text{CD28} \rightarrow \text{4-1BB}$	Transposon/transposase	Adjuvant, pre-/post-transplant
Institut Pasteur	Cellectis/Pfizer	4-1BB	Lentiviral	ALL, CLL, AML, MM
	(UCART19 ^a)			
Baylor	Bellicum (BPX-401ª)	MyD88 + CD40	Retroviral	Various
Dartmouth	Cardio3	DAP-10 transmembrane	Retroviral	AML, MDS, MM
FDA-approved indication. ^a Off-label and investigational. www.clinicaltrials.gov.				
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Summary

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- Outcomes in chemorefractory DLBCL have historically been dismal
- Current CAR modified T-cell technology offers new hope for R/R lymphomas and other B-cell malignancies
- Overcoming limitations associated with time to produce therapy, toxicity, and cost will be key to success of future therapies



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Hematologic Malignancies: Abbreviations and Acronyms

AE = adverse event ALL = acute lymphocytic leukemia AML = acute myeloid leukemia APC = antigen-presenting cell APL = acute promyelocytic leukemia ASCT = autologous stem cell transplantation BCL2 = B-cell lymphoma 2 BM = bone marrow CAR = chimeric antigen receptor CBF = core-binding factor CCTG = Canadian Cancer Trials Group CLL = chronic lymphocytic leukemia CR = complete remission CRc = composite complete remission CRi = complete remission with incomplete peripheral blood count recovery CRp = complete remission with incomplete platelet recovery CT = computed tomography DFS = disease-free survival DLBCL = diffuse large B-cell lymphoma EPOCH = etoposide, prednisone, vincristine, cyclophosphamide, and doxorubicin Exp = expectedFL = follicular lymphoma FLAG-IDA = fludarabine, cytarabine, and idarubicin FLT3 = fms-like tyrosine kinase-3 HSCT = hematopoietic stem cell transplantation IA = Molecular Epidemiology Resource of the University of Iowa ICE = ifosfamide, carboplatin, etoposide ITD = internal tandem duplication ITT = intention to treat JM = juxtamembrane LoDAC = low-dose cytarabine LYSARC = Lymphoma Academic Research Organization MC = Mayo Clinic Lymphoma Specialized Program of Research Excellence MDACC = MD Anderson Cancer Center MDS = myelodysplastic syndromes MEC = mitoxantrone, etoposide, and cytarabine MM = multiple myeloma MSKCC = Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center MTD = maximum tolerated dose MTX = methotrexate NA = not available N/A = not applicableNCI = National Cancer Institute NCRI = National Cancer Research Institute ND = newly diagnosed NDA = New Drug Application

NE = not evaluableNHL = Non-Hodgkin lymphoma NIH = National Institutes of Health NR = not reached NRM = nonrelapse mortality Obs = observed ORR = objective response rate OS = overall survival PD = progressive disease PET = positron emission tomography PIA = plasma inhibitory activity PK = pharmacokinetics PMBCL = primary mediastinal B-cell lymphoma pMHC = peptide-major histocompatibility complex PR = partial remission QTcF = Fridericia-corrected QT interval RCHOP = rituximab + cyclophosphamide/doxorubicin/vincristine/prednisone R/R = relapsed or refractory RTK = receptor tyrosine kinase scFv = single-chain fragment of variable region SD = stable disease SEER = Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results TCR = T-cell receptor TEAE = treatment-emergent adverse event TFL = transformed follicular lymphoma TIL = tumor-infiltrating lymphocyte TKD = tyrosine kinase domain WBC = white blood cell wt = wild type