

HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA: ARE WE FINALLY MAKING PROGRESS?

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OUTLINE

• Updates in treatment landscape in HCC

- First line clinical trials
- Refractory clinical trials
- Future directions and considerations in HCC

TREATMENT LANDSCAPE IN HCC HAS RAPIDLY EVOLVED OVER THE PAST 7 YEARS FROM A "POST SORAFENIB AREA" TO "POST IO" ERA



COMBINATION ANTI PD-1/PD-L1 AND ANTI VEGF





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IMBRAVE 150: STUDY DESIGN

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

(N=501)*

- Locally advanced or metastatic and/or unresectable HCC
- No prior systemic therapy for HCC
- ≥1 measurable untreated lesion
- Child-Pugh A
- ECOG PS 0/1
- Patients were required to be evaluated for the presence of varices within 6 months prior to treatment (assessed with EGD and treated according to local clinical practice), and were excluded if they had variceal bleeding, untreated or incompletely treated varices with bleeding, or high risk of bleeding

Primary endpoint

Secondary endpoint

- OS and PFS (IRF per RECIST v1.1)
- PFS (investigator per RECIST v1.1, IRF per mRECIST)
- ORR, TTP, DOR (investigator per RECIST v1.1, IRF per RECIST v1.1, mRECIST)
- · QOL and safety

Label does not limit utilization by Child Pugh status.

Finn RS, et al. N Engl J Med. 2020;382(20):1894-1905. Cheng AL, et al. Presented at: ESMO Asia. 2019 (abstr LBA3).



IMBRAVE150: EFFICACY

Overall Survival



Progression-Free Survival

- With an additional 12 months of follow-up
 - ORR/CR per RECIST v1.1: 30%/8% vs 11%/<1%</p>
 - Safety and tolerability remains consistent with known safety profiles

IMBRAVE 150: EFFICACY

	Atezolizumab plus bevacizumab (n=326)	Sorafenib (n=159)
Objective response, n (%) [95% CI]	97 (30) [25-35]	18 (11) [7-17]
Complete response, n (%)	25 (8)	1 (<1)
Partial response, n (%)	72 (22)	17 (11)
Stable disease, n (%)	144 (44)	69 (43)
Disease control rate, n (%)	241 (74)	87 (55)
Progressive disease, n (%)	63 (19)	40 (25)
Patients with ongoing response, n (%)	54 (56)	5 (28)
Duration of response, median (95% CI), months*	18.1 (14.6-NE)	14.9 (4.9-17.0)
Range, months	2.5-25.6 [†]	2.5 [†] -21.8
Responders with duration of response, %		
≥12 months	69	65
≥18 months	51	22

*The Kaplan-Meier method was used to estimate the duration of response in confirmed responders for each treatment arm with 95% CIs. *Censored.

SAFETY SUMMARY

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





*Safety-evaluable population. ≥ 10% frequency of AEs in either arm and > 5% difference between arms. †Bevacizumab-related. ALT=alanine aminotransferase; PPE=palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia. Cheng AL, et al. Presented at: ESMO Asia. 2019 (abstr LBA3).

IMBRAVE 150: AESIs REQUIRING STEROIDS

Patients with ≥ 1 event, n (%)	Atezo + Bev (n = 329)	Sorafenib (n = 156)
Any AE	40 (12.2)	5 (3.2)
Grade 3-4 AE ^a	28 (8.5)	4 (2.6)

 4 patients in the atezolizumab + bevacizumab arm required immunosuppressive treatments other than corticosteroids

CARES310 TRIAL

Study Design

Key eligibility criteria

- Unresectable or metastatic HCC
- BCLC Stage B (unsuitable for radical surgery and/or locoregional treatment) or C
- No prior systemic therapy
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- · Child-Pugh A
- At least one measurable lesion per RECIST v1.1

Stratification factors

- MVI and/or EHS (yes vs. no)
- Geographical region (Asia vs. non-Asia)
- Baseline serum AFP (<400 vs. ≥ 400 ng/mL)







OS AND PFS

Primary Endpoint: OS (ITT Population)





*Stratified Cox proportional hazards model. *One-sided based on the stratified log-rank test. The stratification factors were the randomization strata. Data cutoff: Feb. 8, 2022; median follow-up: 14.5 mo.

Primary Endpoint: PFS (ITT Population)





PFS was assessed by BIRC per RECIST v1.1. *Stratified Cox proportional hazards model. *One-sided based on the stratified log-rank test. The stratification factors were the randomization strata. Data cutoff: May. 10, 2021; median follow-up: 7.8 mo.

TRAES



Safety Summary

	Camrelizumab + rivoceranib (N=272)	Sorafenib (N=269)
Median exposure of treatment (IQR), mo		
Camrelizumab	6.9 (3.6-13.4)	-
Rivoceranib/sorafenib	6.5 (3.4-11.9)	3.8 (1.9-7.4)
Any TRAE*	265 (97.4)	249 (92.6)
Grade 3/4	219 (80.5)	140 (52.0)
Grade 5	1 (0.4)†	1 (0.4)‡
Serious TRAE	66 (24.3)	16 (5.9)
TRAEs leading to dose modification or interruption of any treatment component	219 (80.5)	135 (50.2)
TRAEs leading to discontinuation of any treatment component	66 (24.3)	12 (4.5)
TRAEs leading to discontinuation of all treatment components	10 (3.7)	12 (4.5)

Data are n (%) or otherwise indicated. *Causality to treatment was determined by the investigator. *Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome. *Respiratory failure and circulatory collapse. Data cutoff: Feb. 8, 2022. TRAE=treatment-related adverse event

Dose reductions in 47% in the combination arm AESIs – Hepatotoxicity \geq G3 33% (72% all grade); PPE \geq G3 12.1% (37.5% all grade)

SUMMARY: VEGF + IO

- Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab continues to be a standard approved combination
- CARES-310: Camrelizumab/Rivoceranib
- Positive trial with PFS and OS improvement

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- Asian, younger, hepatitis B population
- Risk benefit ratio needs to be considered
- No regulatory approval yet
- Other IO/TKI trials negative

COMBINATION OF ANTI PD-1/PD-L1 + ANTI CTLA-4

Targeting PD-1/ PD-L1	 Affects differentiated CD8+ T cells in tumor microenvironment Does not increase clonal diversity Does not move T cells into tumors Single agent activity in HCC ORR 15 to 20%
Targeting CTLA-4	 Blocks suppressive T cell signaling in lymph nodes Modulates CD4 effector compartment Expands ICOS+Th1 like effector subsets Single agent tremelimumab activity ORR 17.6%

J Immunother Cancer. 2018; 6 Wei SC et al, Cell 2017 Rotte A, J Exp Clin Cancer Res 2019

Sangro B et al. J Hepatol. 2013 El-Khoueiry A et al, Lancet 2017 Zhu AX, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2018 Kelley RK et al, J Clin Oncol 2021

HIMALAYA study design

HIMALAYA was an open-label, multicenter, global, Phase 3 trial



*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. ¹The T75+D arm was closed following a preplanned analysis of a Phase 2 study. Patients randomized to this arm (n=153) could continue treatment following arm closure. Results from this arm are not reported in this presentation.

BID, twice a day; EGD, esophagogastroduodenoscopy; Q4W, every 4 weeks.

Primary objective: overall survival for T300+D vs sorafenib



Data cut-off: August 27, 2021. Median duration of follow-up was 33.18 (95% CI, 31.74–34.53) months for T300+D and 32.23 (95% CI, 30.42–33.71) months for sorafenib. CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; T300+D, tremelimumab 300 mg × 1 dose + durvalumab 1500 mg Q4W.

Sorafenib (n=389)

Secondary objective: overall survival for durvalumab vs sorafenib



Data cut-off: August 27, 2021. Median duration of follow-up was 32.56 (95% Cl, 31.57–33.71) months for durvalumab and 32.23 (95% Cl, 30.42–33.71) months for sorafenib. Cl, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; NI, noninferiority; OS, overall survival.

Tumor response

	T300+D (n=393)	Durvalumab (n=389)	Sorafenib (n=389)
ORR,* n (%)	79 (20.1)	66 (17.0)	20 (5.1)
CR, n (%)	12 (3.1)	6 (1.5)	0
PR, n (%)	67 (17.0)	60 (15.4)	20 (5.1)
SD,† n (%)	157 (39.9)	147 (37.8)	216 (55.5)
PD, n (%)	157 (39.9)	176 (45.2)	153 (39.3)
DCR, %	60.1	54.8	60.7
Median DoR, [‡] months 25 th percentile 75 th percentile	22.34 8.54 NR	16.82 7.43 NR	18.43 6.51 25.99
Median TTR (95% CI), months	2.17 (1.84–3.98)	2.09 (1.87–3.98)	3.78 (1.89–8.44)
Remaining in response, [‡] % 6 months 12 months	82.3 65.8	81.8 57.8	78.9 63.2

*By investigator assessment according to RECIST v1.1. Responses are confirmed. †Defined as neither sufficient decrease in sum of diameters to qualify for PR nor sufficient increase to qualify for PD. ‡Calculated using Kaplan-Meier technique.

Cl, confidence interval; CR, complete response; DCR, disease control rate; DoR, duration of response; NR, not reached; ORR, objective response rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; RECIST v1.1, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors version 1.1; SD, stable disease; T300+D, tremelimumab 300 mg × 1 dose + durvalumab 1500 mg Q4W; TTR, time to response.

Safety and tolerability

Event, n (%)	T300+D (n=388)	Durvalumab (n=388)	Sorafenib (n=374)
Any AE	378 (97.4)	345 (88.9)	357 (95.5)
Any TRAE*	294 (75.8)	202 (52.1)	317 (84.8)
Any grade 3/4 AE	196 (50.5)	144 (37.1)	196 (52.4)
Any grade 3/4 TRAE	100 (25.8)	50 (12.9)	138 (36.9)
Any serious TRAE	68 (17.5)	32 (8.2)	35 (9.4)
Any TRAE leading to death	9 (2.3) [†]	0	3 (0.8)‡
Any TRAE leading to discontinuation	32 (8.2)	16 (4.1)	41 (11.0)

20% of patients that received D/T required corticosteroids

Includes AEs with onset or increase in severity on or after the date of the first dose through 90 days following the date of the last dose or the date of initiation of the first subsequent therapy.

*Treatment-related was as assessed by investigator. [†]Nervous system disorder (n=1), acute respiratory distress syndrome (n=1), hepatitis (n=1), myocarditis (n=1), immune-mediated hepatitis (n=2), pneumonitis (n=1), hepatic failure (n=1), myocarditis (n=1). [‡]Hematuria (n=1), cerebral hematoma (n=1), hepatic failure (n=1).

AE, adverse event; SMQ, Standardized MedDRA Query; T300+D, tremelimumab 300 mg × 1 dose + durvalumab 1500 mg Q4W; TRAE, treatment-related adverse event.

HIMALAYA: 5-YEAR UPDATED OS SHOWED SUPERIORITY OVER SORAFENIB



Updated analysis data cutoff: March 1, 2024.

Rimassa L, et al. ESMO 2024.

WHAT ABOUT MULTIPLE ANTI-CTLA4 DOSES?

NIVOLUMAB PLUS IPILIMUMAB IN PHASE 1/2 CHECKMATE-040 COHORT



- Treatment-related AE grade 3-4: 53%, 29%, 31% for Arms A-C
- Systemic steroid requirement: 51%, 24%, 23% for Arms A-C

CHECKMATE 9DW: STUDY DESIGN

 CheckMate 9DW is a global, phase 3, randomized, open-label study of NIVO in combination with IPI compared with LEN or SOR as 1L treatment in patients with unresectable HCC^a



Among 325 patients treated with LEN/SOR: 275 (85%) received LEN and 50 (15%) received SOR

• At data cutoff (January 31, 2024), median (range) follow-up^h was 35.2 (26.8-48.9) months

^a ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT04039607. ^b Disease not eligible for, or progressive disease after, curative surgical and/or locoregional therapies. ^c Based on central lab serology results for stratification purpose. ^d Minimum of 1 dose of NIVO + IPI is required before proceeding to NIVO monotherapy. ^e If body weight < 60 kg. ^f If body weight ≥ 60 kg. ^g HCS subscale score of the FACT-Hep. ^h Time between randomization date and cutoff date.

Galle, P et al. ASCO 2024.

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AFP (< 400 vs \geq 400 ng/mL)

CHECKMATE 9DW: EFFICACY



NIVO + IPI 335 300 264 239 220 206 179 162 150 137 104 71 42 24 11 8 0 0 LEN/SOR 333 310 280 245 216 194 164 144 116 106 76 44 34 20 4 3 1 0

- Statistically significant and clinically meaningful OS benefit with NIVO + IPI vs LEN/SOR
 - Longer median OS and long-term survival benefit with higher OS rates at 24 and 36 months

Median (range) follow-up, 35.2 (26.8-48.9) months. Median OS is estimated using Kaplan-Meier methodology. HR and 95% CI from stratified Cox proportional hazard model. HR is NIVO + IPI over LEN/SOR. Symbols represent censored observations. ^a Two-sided *P* value from stratified log-rank test. Boundary for statistical significance: *P* value \leq 0.0257.

Progression-Free Survival



• Numerically higher PFS rates with NIVO + IPI vs LEN/SOR at 18 and 24 months

Median (range) follow-up, 35.2 (26.8-48.9) months. Median PFS is estimated using Kaplan-Meier methodology. HR and 95% CI from stratified Cox proportional hazard model. HR is NIVO + IPI over LEN/SOR. Symbols represent censored observations.^a Assessed by BICR based on RECIST v1.1.

Galle, P et al. ASCO 2024.

RESPONSE AND DURATION OF RESPONSE

	NIVO + IPI	LEN/SOR	Dura	tion	of R	esp	ons	9									
	(n = 335)	(n = 333)	1	00										NIVO (n = 1	+ IPI 21) ^d	LEN/9 (n = /	SOR 44) ^d
ORR,ª %	36	13			٩									48	3	22	2
95% CI	31-42	10-17	(%)	80 -		٩	╹╲╷		_					30.	4	12	.9
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Partial response	29	11	Durat	20 -											- 0 L	en/so	R
Stable disease ^c	32	62													-0 -		
Progressive disease	20	14		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39
Not evaluable	12	11		5	Ũ	Ũ	Ŭ		.0	Mon	ths				00		00
Median TTR (range),ª mo	2.2 (1.1-11.6)	3.7 (0.6-11.2)	NIVO + IF LEN/SOF	PI 121 R 44	116 42	<mark>97</mark> 31	81 23	74 16	<mark>67</mark> 13	59 9	52 4	39 3	22 2	14 2	6 0	3 0	0 0

• Statistically significant and clinically meaningful improvement in ORR with NIVO + IPI vs LEN/SOR, with a higher complete response rate (7% vs 2%, respectively) and durable responses

Median (range) follow-up, 35.2 (26.8-48.9) months. Symbols represent censored observations. ^a Assessed by BICR based on RECIST v1.1. ^b Two sided *P* value from stratified Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel test. Boundary for statistical significance: *P* value ≤ 0.025 . ^c Includes non-CR/non-PD: NIVO + IPI, n = 6 (2%); LEN/SOR, n = 7 (2%). Non-CR/non-PD refers to patients with persistence of one or more non-target lesion(s). ^d Number of confirmed responders.

Galle, P et al. ASCO 2024.

TREATMENT-RELATED ADVERSE EVENTS

All treated patients, n (%)	NIVO + IP	l (n = 332)	LEN/SOR	(n = 325)	
Median (range) duration of treatment, mo	4.7 (< 1	to 24.4)	6.9 (< 1	to 45.8)	
All tracted methods $m(0/1)$	NIVO + IP	l (n = 332)	LEN/SOR (n = 325)		
All treated patients, n (%)	Any grade	Grade 3/4	e 3/4 Any grade Gra		
TRAEs ^a					
Any TRAEs	278 (84)	137 (41)	297 (91)	138 (42)	
Serious TRAEs	94 (28)	83 (25)	47 (14)	42 (13)	
TRAEs leading to discontinuation	59 (18)	44 (13)	34 (10)	21 (6)	
Treatment-related deaths ^b	12	(4) ^c	3 (<	1) ^d	

TRAES occuring in \geq 10% of patients



IMAES

	NIVO + IPI (n = 332)								
All treated patients, n (%)	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Received high- dose steroids	Leading to discontinuatio n					
Patients with IMAEs [†]	191 (58)	93 (28)	96 (29)	42 (13)					
Hepatitis	63 (19)	51 (15)	56 (17)	19 (6)					
Hypothyroidism/thyroiditis	62 (19)	1 (< 1)	2 (< 1)	0					
Rash	51 (15)	14 (4)	10 (3)	1 (< 1)					
Hyperthyroidism	36 (11)	2 (< 1)	3 (< 1)	0					
Diarrhea/colitis	28 (8)	15 (5)	27 (8)	9 (3)					
Adrenal insufficiency	18 (5)	6 (2)	2 (< 1)	4 (1)					
Hypophysitis	9 (3)	4 (1)	3 (< 1)	4 (1)					
Pneumonitis	7 (2)	3 (< 1)	6 (2)	3 (< 1)					
Nephritis and renal dysfunction	5 (2)	3 (< 1)	3 (< 1)	2 (< 1)					
Hypersensitivity	4 (1)	0	3 (< 1)	0					
Diabetes mellitus	2 (< 1)	2 (< 1)	0	0					

- The majority of IMAES were grade 1 or 2, were manageable, and did not result in treatment discontinuation
- 29% of patients required corticosteroids

[†] IMAEs are specific events considered as potential immune-mediated events by investigator, occurring within 100 days after the last dose of study treatment, regardless of causality, and, with the exception of endocrine events, are treated with immune-modulating medication

SUMMARY 2: IO + IO (CLTA4)

Tremelimumab+Durvalumab represents another standard first line option for advanced HCC

 Advantages of "maintenance" single agent durvalumab q 4 weeks with favorable safety profile

- No PFS improvement
- Longest follow-up data at 5 years with persistent benefit

Checkmate 9DW: Nivolumab+Ipilimumab (3mg/kg)

- Positive trial with ORR and OS improvement BUT Higher rates of IMAEs and grade 3/4 TRAEs
- Curves "flip" at 12 months: why?
- No regulatory approval yet

SUMMARY OF EFFICACY AND SAFETY DATA ACROSS SELECT FIRST-LINE PHASE III STUDIES IN HCC

		REFLECT ²	CHECKMATE 9DW ¹	IMBRAVE150 ^{4,5}	HIMALAYA ⁶	CARES310 ⁷
		PHASE III, NONINFERIORITY	PHASE III	PHASE III	PHASE III	PHASE III
	VARIABLE	LENVATINIB VS SORAFENIB (N=478 VS 476)	IPI/NIVO vs TKI (N=335 VS 333)	ATEZOLIZUMAB + BEVACIZUMAB VS SORAFENIB (N=336 VS 165)	DURVALUMAB/TREMELIM UMAB VS SORAFENIB	CAMRELIZUMAB/RIVOCE RANIB VS SORAFENIB
	Median OS, months HR (95% CI); P value	13.6 vs 12.3 0.92 (0.79-1.06)	23.7 vs 20.6 0.79 (0.65-0.96); 0.018	19.2 vs 13.4 0.66 (0.52-0.85); <0.0009	16.4 vs 13.8 (vs 16.6) 0.79 (0.65-0.92); 0.0035	22.1 vs 15.2 0.62 (0.49-0.80); 0.0001
ک ر	Median TTP, months HR (95% CI); P value	7.4 vs 3.7 0.61 (0.51-0.72); <0.0001	-	-	-	-
EFFICA	Median PFS [†] , months HR (95% CI); P value	7.3 vs 3.6 0.65 (0.56-0.77); <0.0001	9.1 vs 9.2 0.87 (0.72-1.06)	6.8 vs 4.3 0.59 (0.47-0.76); <0.001	3.78 vs 4.07 (vs 3.65) 0.90 (0.77 - 1.05);	5.6 vs 3.7 0.52 (0.41-0.65)
	ORR [†] , % PD, %	18.8 vs 6.5 18 vs 32	36 vs 13 20 vs 14	27.3 vs 11.9 [‡] 19.6 vs 24.5 [‡]	20.1 vs 5.1 (vs 17.0)	25.4 vs 5.9
	Median DOR † , months	-	30.4 vs 12.9	NE vs 6.3	22.3 vs 18.4	14.8 vs 9.2
_		(n=476 vs 475)	(n=335 vs 333)	(n=329 vs 156)	(n=393 vs 389)	(n=272 vs 269)
≥	Any grade AEs, %	99 vs 99	-	98.2 vs 98.7	97.4 vs 95.5	97.4 vs 92.6
AFE	Grade 3/4 AEs, %	75 vs 67	41 vs 42	56.5 vs 55.1	50.5 vs 52.4	80.5 vs 50.2
SA	Grade 5 TRAEs, n	11 vs 4	12 vs 3	6 vs 1	9 vs 3.	1 vs 1.

*Did not achieve statistical significance. † By independent radiologic /imaging review according to RECIST v1.1. ‡n=326vs 159. §TRAEs.

DOR=duration of response; HCC=hepatocellular carcinoma; NE=not estimable; TRAE=treatment-related adverse event;

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5. Cheng AL, et al. Presented at: ESMO Asia. 2019 (abstr LBA3).

6. Abou Alfa et al NEJM

7. Qin et al Lancet Oncology

Cross-trial comparisons do not constitute substantial evidence as varying study designs, methodology, and patient populations limit the ability to draw conclusions of comparative efficacy and safety. This slide includes cross-trial comparisons to facilitate treatment and strategic discussion regarding the current HCC landscape.

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TTP=time to progression.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DATA GENERATION IN FIRST-LINE HCC SETTING

• Evaluation of QOL and organ function change over time while on first line therapy • Opportunities for maintenance approaches?

- New approaches to biomarker development
- Combination of clinical characteristics, biology (HCC subclasses), and immune microenvironment
- Opportunities for AI?
- Safety and efficacy data beyond child-pugh A
- Drug development:
- Careful evaluation of triplets
- Majority of current efforts use atezolizumab/bevacizumab as backbone
- Role of liver-directed therapy and intrahepatic control in setting of advanced HCC Cost to benefit ratio

SECOND-LINE AND SUBSEQUENT THERAPY FOR ADVANCED HCC

CELESTIAL: RANDOMIZED, DOUBLE-BLIND, PHASE III TRIAL OF CABOZANTINIB VS PLACEBO IN PATIENTS WITH ADVANCED HCC AFTER PRIOR SORAFENIB



Primary endpoint

OS

Secondary endpoints

PFS and ORR (investigator-assessed per RECIST 1.1)

Stratification

- Etiologic factor (HBV +/- HCV, HCV without HBV, other)
- Geographic region (Asia, other)
- Evidence of extrahepatic spread of disease, macrovascular invasion or both (yes or no)

BP=blood pressure; ECOG PS=Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; HBV=hepatitis B virus; HCV=hepatitis C virus; po=orally; qd=every day; RECIST=Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors.

Abou-Alfa GK, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2018;379:54-63. Abou-Alfa GK, et al. Presented at: ASCO. 2018 (abstr 4019). Abou-Alfa GK, et al. Presented at: ASCO GI. 2018 (abstr 207).

CELESTIAL: OVERALL SURVIVAL IN ITT POPULATION



Abou-Alfa GK, et al. N Engl J Med. 2018;379:54-63.

CELESTIAL: PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL IN ITT POPULATION



Abou-Alfa GK, et al. N Engl J Med. 2018;379:54-63.

CELESTIAL: PFS AND OS IN SUBGROUPS

			Progression-Free Sur	vival	Overall S	urvival
	Patients, Cabo/pbo	mPFS Cabo/pbo		Hazard _: Ratio	mOS Cabo/pbo	Hazard _I Ratio
Overall	470/237	5.2/1.9		0.44	10.2/8.0 -	— 0.76
Age						
<65 years	240/124	5.0/1.9	—	0.45	9.6/7.7 -	0.81
≥65 years	230/113	5.4/2.0		0.46	11.1/8.3	0.74
Sex						
Male	379/202	4.9/1.9		0.49	10.1/7.9	0.79
Female	91/35	5.5/1.9		0.31	11.1/8.9	0.68
ECOG PS						
0	245/131	5.6/1.9		0.39	12.4/9.3	0.69
1	224/106	3.7/1.9		0.54	8.6/6.4	0.87
AFP			_			_
<400 ng/mL	278/136	5.5/1.9		0.47	13.9/10.3	0.81
≥400 ng/mL	192/101	3.9/1.9		0.42	8.5/5.2	0.71
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AFP=alpha-fetoprotein; Cabo=cabozantinib; ECOG PS=Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; pbo=placebo. Abou-Alfa GK, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2018;379:54-63.

CELESTIAL: PFS AND OS IN SUBGROUPS (CONT.)

		F	Progression-Free Surviv	al		Overall Survival	
	Patients, Cabo/pbo	mPFS Cabo/pbo		Hazard Ratio	mOS Cabo/pbo	i	Hazard Ratio
Overall	470/237	5.2/1.9		0.44	10.2/8.0	_ 	0.76
Region			_				
Asia	116/59	5.4/1.8	_	0.46	10.9/10.2		- 1.01
Other regions	354/178	5.2/1.9		0.45	10.2/7.8	_ 	0.71
Race							
Asian	159/82	5.4/1.8		0.43	9.7/8.5		0.86
Non-Asian	280/143	5.2/1.9		0.47	11.1/7.9		0.75
EHS and/or MVI				į		_	
Yes	398/200	5.0/1.9		0.45	9.5/7.3		0.73
No	72/37	5.6/2.0		0.46	14.0/14.7		0.99
Etiology		·	_				
HBV	178/89	4.4/1.8		0.31	9.7/6.1		0.69
HCV	105/51	4.1/1.9		0.61	11.1/11.4		1.11
Other	187/97	5.5/2.0		0.48	11.1/8.7		0.72
Prior lines of therapy*						_ _	
One prior regimen	335/174	5.5/1.9		0.43	11.4/7.7		0.74
Two prior regimens	130/62	3.7/1.9		0.58	8.6/8 .6	 	0.90
			0.25 0.5	1 2	0.25	0.5 1	2
		Fav	vors cabozantinib	- Favors pla	acebo Favors cabo	zantinib 🗕 🗕 🚽	Favors placebo

*Prior systemic anticancer regimens for advanced HCC.

Cabo=cabozantinib; EHS=extrahepatic spread of disease; HBV=hepatitis B virus; HCV=hepatitis C virus; MVI=macrovascular invasion; pbo=placebo. Abou-Alfa GK, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2018;379:54-63.

RESORCE trial design

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- HCC patients with documented radiological progression during sorafenib treatment
- Stratified by:
- Geographic region (Asia vs ROW)
- Macrovascular invasion
- Extrahepatic disease
- ECOG PS (0 vs 1)
- AFP (<400 ng/mL vs ≥400 ng/mL)



- 152 centers in 21 countries in North and South America, Europe, Australia, Asia
- All patients received best supportive care
- Treat until progression, unacceptable toxicity, or withdrawal

OVERALL SURVIVAL (OS) PRIMARY ENDPOINT



PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL (PFS)



Based on mRECIST

SUMMARY OF EFFICACY AND SAFETY DATA ACROSS SECOND-LINE ANTI-VEGF STUDIES IN HCC

		CELEST	IAL ¹	RESORCE ²	REACH-2 ^{3,4}
		PHASE	Ш	PHASE III	PHASE III
			/S PLACEBO	REGORAFENIB	RAMUCIRUMAB
		ITT (N=470 VS 237)	2L (N=331 VS 164)	VS PLACEBO (N=379 VS 194)	VS PLACEBO (N=197 VS 95)
EFFICACY	MEDIAN OS, MONTHS HR (95% CI); <i>P</i> VALUE	10.2 VS 8.0 0.76 (0.63-0.92); 0.005	11.3 VS 7.2 0.70 (0.55-0.88)	10.6 VS 7.8 0.63 (0.50-0.79); <0.0001	8.5 VS 7.3 0.710 (0.531-0.949); 0.0199
	MEDIAN TTP, MONTHS HR (95% CI); <i>P</i> VALUE	_	-	3.9 VS 1.5 0.41 (0.34-0.51); <0.0001	3.0 VS 1.6 0.427 (0.313-0.582); <0.0001
	MEDIAN PFS*, MONTHS HR (95% CI); <i>P</i> VALUE	5.2 VS 1.9 0.44 (0.36-0.52); <0.001	5.5 VS 1.9 0.40 (0.32-0.50)	3.4 VS 1.5 0.43 (0.35-0.52); <0.0001	2.8 VS 1.6 0.452 (0.339-0.603); <0.0001
	ORR*, % PD, %	4 VS <1 21 VS 55	_	7 VS 3 22 VS 57	4.6 VS 1.1 33.5 VS 50.5
	MEDIAN DOR [†] , MONTHS			3.5 VS 2.7	_
SAFETY		(N=467 VS 237)	-	(N=374 VS 193)	(N=197 VS 95)
	ANY GRADE AES, %	99 VS 92	-	100 VS 93	97.0 VS 86.3
	GRADE 3/4 AES, %	68 VS 36	_	66 VS 39	58.9 VS 44.2

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How do you pick a TKI post atezolizumab-bevacizumab or durvalumab-tremelimumab?

	VEGF/ VEGFR	PDGFR / c-Kit	RAF	FGFR	RET	MET	AXL FLT3 TRKb	TIE-2	Immune Modulation
Bevacizumab	X								?
Lenvatinib	X	X		Х	Х				?
Sorafenib	X	Х	Х						?
Regorafenib	Х	Х	Х	Х	X			Х	?
Cabozantinib	X				X	X	X	Х	?
Ramucirumab	X								?

How to Best Sequence Patients With Advanced Disease



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Summary and Conclusions

- Combination therapy is the preferred treatment strategy for patients with advanced HCC
 - Atezo/bev is the de facto gold standard for eligible patients
 - Dual CPI strategy for patients ineligible to receive anti-angiogenic therapies
- Upfront treatment strategies should include considerations for sequencing in subsequent lines of therapy (MOA, toxicities)
- Important considerations:
 - CPB/C
 - Potential (downstaging) and post transplant patients
 - Biomarker development
 - Heterogeneity of patient population
 - Multiple therapeutic options (BUT not compared to one another)

THANK YOU!