

VOLGA: Results From the Phase 3 Safety Run-In With Durvalumab (D) + Tremelimumab (T) + Enfortumab Vedotin (EV) for Cisplatin-Ineligible Muscle-Invasive Bladder Cancer (MIBC)

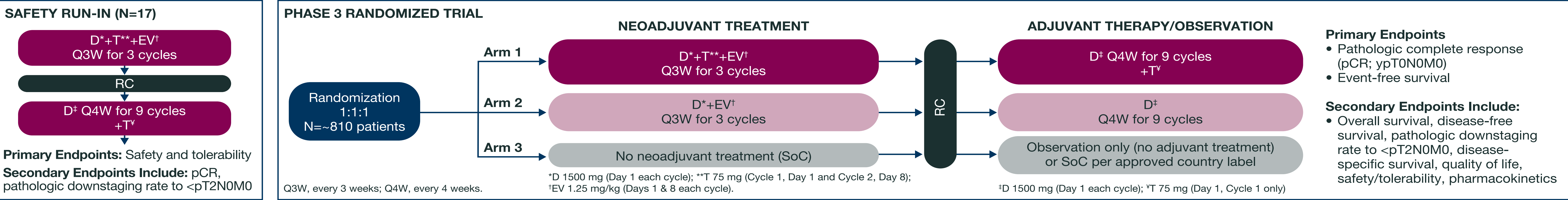
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Introduction and Objective

- The standard management of MIBC involves neoadjuvant cisplatin-based chemotherapy followed by radical cystectomy (RC) and pelvic lymph node dissection.¹
- Approximately 40% of patients with MIBC are cisplatin-ineligible²⁻⁴; in this patient population, RC alone remains the standard of care (SoC).⁵
- For patients who are at high risk of recurrence after radical resection, only nivolumab has been approved as adjuvant treatment⁶; therefore, to provide choice for patients and clinicians, additional treatment options are required.
- VOLGA is the first international Phase 3 study examining the novel triplet combination of D (anti-programmed death ligand-1 [PD-L1]) + T (anti-cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated antigen 4 [CTLA-4]) + EV (antibody-drug conjugate directed against nectin-4) for cisplatin-ineligible MIBC.
- Here, we present preliminary results from the safety run-in phase of VOLGA (NCT04960709).

VOLGA Safety Run-In and Phase 3 Study Design



Eligibility Criteria

Key Inclusion Criteria	Key Exclusion Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Aged ≥18 years, with histologically or cytologically documented MIBC (urothelial and mixed urothelial histology).Clinical stage of T2–4aN0–N1M0 including T1N1M0.Cisplatin-ineligible, as defined by Galsky et al 2011⁷ criteria OR refused cisplatin-based chemotherapy (documented in medical records).Medically fit for cystectomy and able to receive neoadjuvant therapy.No prior systemic chemotherapy or immunotherapy for treatment of MIBC.Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status (ECOG PS) of 0, 1, or 2.Availability of tumor sample prior to study entry.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Evidence of lymph node (N2+) or metastatic disease.Active infection or uncontrolled intercurrent illness.Prior exposure to immune-mediated therapy (bacillus Calmette-Guérin excluded), including but not limited to other anti-CTLA-4, anti-PD-1, anti-PD-L1, or anti-PD-L2 antibodies.Current/prior use of immunosuppressives within 14 days before the first dose of investigational product.

Participating Countries in VOLGA Trial

<ul style="list-style-type: none">ArgentinaAustriaBrazilCanadaChileColumbiaFrance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">GermanyGreeceHong KongIsraelItalyJapanMexico	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The NetherlandsPolandPortugalRepublic of KoreaRussian FederationSerbiaSpain*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">TaiwanThailandTurkeyUkraineUnited KingdomUnited States*Vietnam
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*Safety run-in participant countries.

Results

- At the data cutoff, August 2022, 17 patients had participated in the safety run-in (**Table 1**).

Table 1. Demographic and Baseline Characteristics	
Baseline characteristics (N=17)*	n (%), unless otherwise stated
Age, median (range), y	75 (50–83)
Male	16 (94.1)
ECOG PS	
0	8 (47.1)
1	8 (47.1)
2	1 (5.9)
Tumor stage	
T2	7 (41.2)
T2a	3 (17.6)
T2b	3 (17.6)
T3	2 (11.8)
T4a	2 (11.8)
Regional lymph nodes	
N0	15 (88.2)
N1	2 (11.8)
Metastases	
M0	17 (100)
Cisplatin ineligibility	
Hearing loss only	12 (70.6)
Creatinine clearance <60 mL/min	4 (23.5)
ECOG PS 2	1 (5.9)

*Patients from the safety run-in who had been treated with D+T+EV.

Preliminary Summary of Safety

- Overall, 17 patients experienced an adverse event (AE) (**Table 2**). The most common AEs were dry mouth, fatigue, or maculopapular rash (each n=9 [52.9%]), dysgeusia (n=8 [47.1%]), and pruritus (n=7 [41.2%]).
- Grade 3 or 4 AEs were experienced by 12 patients (70.6%) (**Table 2**).
- In total, 16 patients (94.1%) experienced ≥1 treatment-related AE (TRAЕ) (**Table 2**) — 8 patients (47.1%) had Grade 3 or 4 TRAЕs, and no Grade 5 TRAЕs occurred.

Table 2. Adverse Events	
All values reported are n (%)	N=17
Any grade AE	17 (100)
Any grade 3/4 AE	12 (70.6)
Any serious AE	10 (58.8)
Any serious TRAЕ	5 (29.4)
Any D/T AE of special/possible interest	14 (82.4)
Immune-mediated AE	12 (70.6)
Any AE leading to discontinuation of any study medication	2 (11.8)
Any AE leading to dose interruption of any study medication	4 (23.5)
AE leading to dose delay	
Durvalumab	5 (29.4)
Enfortumab vedotin	6 (35.5)
AE leading to dose reduction	
Enfortumab vedotin	5 (29.4)
AE leading to death	0
Any TRAЕ (possibly related to any study medication)	16 (94.1)
TRAЕs occurring in ≥15% of patients	
Fatigue	9 (52.9)
Maculopapular rash	9 (52.9)
Dysgeusia	8 (47.1)
Dry mouth	7 (41.2)
Pruritus	6 (35.3)
Alopecia	5 (29.4)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	5 (29.4)
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	4 (23.5)
Constipation	4 (23.5)
Hyperthyroidism	4 (23.5)
Nausea	4 (23.5)
Hypothyroidism	3 (17.6)

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Preliminary Summary of Activity

Neoadjuvant phase

- A total of 13 patients completed the 3 cycles of neoadjuvant treatment.
- Median treatment duration was 66 days for durvalumab, 57 days for tremelimumab, and 69 days for enfortumab vedotin.
- RC was performed in 14 patients; all RC procedures were completed in the protocol-specified time frame of ≥14 days to 56 days after last dose of neoadjuvant therapy.
- 3 patients did not undergo RC due to either experiencing an AE (n=2) or progression prior to RC (n=1).

Post-RC

- At the time of data cutoff, no evidence of systemic disease was shown in 13 of 14 patients post-cystectomy.
- pCR was achieved in 6 patients, and 9 patients achieved pathologic non-muscle invasive response <pT2N0M0 (**Table 3**).

Table 3. Pathologic State at Radical Cystectomy					
Patient	Baseline clinical stage	RC	Pathologic stage	pCR	Pathologic non-muscle invasive response (<pT2 N0 M0)
1	T2 N0 M0	YES	pT0 pN0 M0	YES	YES
2	T2 N0 M0	YES	pT0 pN0 M0	YES	YES
3	T2 N0 M0	YES	pT0 pN0 M0	YES	YES
4	T2 N0 M0	YES	pTis pN0 M0	–	YES
5	T2 N0 M0	YES	pT1 pN0 M0	–	YES
6	T2 N0 M0	YES	pT2b pN0 M0	–	–
7	T2a N0 M0	YES	pT0 pN0 M0	YES	YES
8	T2a N0 M0	YES	pT3b pN2 M0	–	–
9	T2b N0 M0	YES	pT0 pN0 M0	YES	YES
10	T2b N0 M0	YES	pTa pN0 M0	–	YES
11*	T2b N1 M0	YES	pTa pN1 M0	–	–
12	T3 N0 M0	YES	pT3b pN0 M0	–	–
13	T4a N0 M0	YES	pT2a pN1 M0	–	–
14	T4a N1 M0	YES	pT0 pN0 M0	YES	YES
15	T2 N0 M0	NO	–	–	–
16	T2a N0 M0	NO	–	–	–
17	T3 N0 M0	NO	–	–	–

*Patient had pathologic downstaging but did not achieve <pT2N0M0.

Conclusions

- The results from the VOLGA safety run-in support continued evaluation of the triplet regimen of D+T+EV in patients with cisplatin-ineligible MIBC.
- 3 neoadjuvant cycles were completed by 13/17 patients, and among patients undergoing cystectomy, no delays in time to RC were experienced.
- The safety profile of 3 cycles of neoadjuvant D+T+EV, followed by D+T post cystectomy, was manageable.
 - The most common TRAЕs occurring in >30% of patients were fatigue, maculopapular rash, dysgeusia, dry mouth, and pruritus.
 - Grade 3/4 AEs were experienced by 12 patients; no Grade 5 events were reported; 2 patients experienced AEs leading to treatment discontinuation.
- Preliminary activity was observed, with 6/17 patients achieving pCR and 9/17 patients achieving pathologic non-muscle invasive response—though given the small population, results should be interpreted with care.
- Enrollment has opened for the randomized Phase 3 portion of VOLGA, for patients with MIBC who are ineligible for, or refuse, cisplatin-based chemotherapy.

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