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One-Year Efficacy and Safety From a Phase 3 Trial of Ravulizumab in Adult Patients With Paroxysmal Nocturnal Haemoglobinuria Receiving Prior Eculizumab Treatment

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- In the largest phase 3 study (ALXN1210-PNH-302; NCT03056040) in eculizumab-experienced patients with PNH, ravulizumab administered once every 8 weeks (q8w) was shown to be noninferior to eculizumab administered once every 2 weeks (q2w) after 26 weeks for all primary and key secondary endpoints7
- At the end of the randomised evaluation period (26 weeks), all patients had the option to receive weight-based dosing of ravulizumab in an extension of ALXN1210-PNH-302
 - **OBJECTIVES**
- Characterise the durability of responses to ravulizumab through 52 weeks of treatment
- Evaluate the efficacy profile of ravulizumab in adult patients with PNH after switching from stable eculizumab therapy
- Evaluate serum free C5 levels
- Evaluate the safety profile in each treatment arm

METHODS

Study Design and Patients

- This was an extension of the open-label, phase 3, multicenter study ALXN1210-PNH-302 (NCT03056040; Figure 1)
- Adult patients with PNH, stable on eculizumab for \geq 6 months, and with lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) \leq 1.5 times the upper limit of normal (ULN) at screening were randomly assigned 1:1 to switch to ravulizumab or to continue receiving eculizumab
- Patients randomised to ravulizumab received weight-based loading (day 1)/maintenance doses (day 15 and q8w thereafter)

- All 191 patients who completed treatment entered the extension period (Figure 2)
- At 52 weeks, 189 patients were being treated with ravulizumab, 1 patient discontinued due to physician's decisions, and 1 patient withdrew from the study

Figure 2. Patient Flow Through Week 52



Primary Efficacy Endpoint

Percentage Change in LDH from Baseline

- Patients in both groups showed a durable response for percentage change in LDH up to 52 weeks, similar to what was observed during the first 26 weeks (**Figure 3**)
- At 52 weeks, patients in the R-R arm had an 8.8% (SD, 29%) increase in LDH from baseline, while patients in the E-R arm had a 5.8% (27%) increase in LDH from baseline
- Mean LDH levels in both groups were maintained at 1.0 x ULN (< 246 U/L)

Figure 3. Mean (95% CI) Percentage Change in Lactate Dehydrogenase Over Time

FACIT-Fatigue scores were maintained in both treatment groups through 52 weeks (Figure 4)

Figure 4. Mean (95% CI) FACIT-Fatigue Scores Over Time



BL, baseline.

Other Endpoints

Serum Free C5 Control

- All patients in the R-R arm continued to maintain free C5 < 0.5 µg/mL at all time points through 52 weeks (n = 96; Figure 5)
- Patients in the E-R arm showed improved free C5 control and no patients had free C5 \ge 0.5 µg/mL following switch to ravulizumab

Figure 5. Box Plotsa of Serum Free C5 Over Time



- ≥ 40 to < 60 kg body weight: 2400/3000 mg
- ≥ 60 to < 100 kg: 2700/3300 mg
- ≥ 100 kg: 3000/3600 mg
- Patients randomised to eculizumab continued receiving 900 mg q2w
- After 26 weeks, patients in the ravulizumab arm continued ravulizumab maintenance therapy (R-R arm), while patients in the eculizumab arm were then switched to ravulizumab (E-R arm)

Figure 1. Study Design



Ecu, eculizumab; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; q2w, once every 2 weeks; q8w, once every 8 weeks; Ravu, ravulizumab; ULN, upper limit of normal.

- ^a Ravu loading dose: 2400 mg for patients weighing \geq 40 to < 60 kg, 2700 mg for patients weighing \geq 60 to < 100 kg, 3000 mg for patients weighing \geq 100 kg.
- ^b Ravu maintenance dose: 3000 mg for patients weighing \geq 40 to < 60 kg, 3300 mg for patients weighing \geq 60 to < 100 kg, 3600 mg for patients weighing \geq 100 kg.
- ^c Ecu maintenance dose: 900 mg.

^d Approved dose for PNH.

Endpoints

- The primary efficacy endpoint was percent change in LDH from baseline
- Key secondary efficacy endpoints included proportion of patients with breakthrough haemolysis (BTH), transfusion avoidance (TA), stabilised hemoglobin (HGB-S) levels, and improvement in FACIT-Fatigue total score



BL, baseline; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase.

Secondary Efficacy Endpoints

Breakthrough Haemolysis

• The proportion of patients who experienced BTH was low and stable over long-term treatment with ravulizumab (Table 1)

Transfusion Avoidance

- In the R-R and E-R arms, 13.4% and 12.2% of patients, respectively, received transfusions within 1 year before receiving their first dose of study treatment
- The percentage of patients avoiding transfusion remained stable in the extension period (weeks 27–52; Table 1)

Hemoglobin Stabilisation

• The percentage of patients with HGB-S in the extension period was consistent with that in the first 26 weeks of the study (Table 1)

Table 1. Summary of Breakthrough Haemolysis Events, Transfusion Avoidance, and Hemoglobin Stabilisation

	R-R Arn	n (n=97)	E-R Arm (n=98)	
	BL to 26 Weeks ^a (n = 97)	27 to 52 Weeks (n = 96)	BL to 26 Weeks ^a (n = 98)	27 to 52 Weeks (n = 95)
Patients with BTH, n (%)	0	3 (3.1)	5 (5.1)	1 (1.1)
Total number of BTH events/patient (n/n)	0/0	3/3	7/5	1/1
BTH events associated with serum free C5 \ge 0.5 µg/mL	0	0	4	0

^a The median is indicated by a horizontal line in the middle of each box. The mean is indicated by a diamond. The 75th and 25th percentiles (interguartile range) are indicated by the top and the bottom borders of the box, respectively. The whiskers represent the 1.5 interguartile range of the lower and upper quartiles, respectively. Outliers are represented by asterisks beyond the whiskers.

Safety

- During weeks 27–52, fatigue was the most common adverse event (incidence ≥10%) in the R-R arm (13 patients [13.5%]), and fatigue (13 [13.7%]) and headache (10 [10.5%]) were most common in the E-R arm (**Table 2**)
- No new treatment-emergent antidrug antibody–positive response was reported during weeks 27–52
- There were no meningococcal infections, deaths, or discontinuations due to adverse events

Table 2. Adverse Events Summary

Variables	R-R Arm (n=97)		E-R Arm (n=98)			
	BL to 26 Weeks (n = 97)	27 to 52 Weeks (n = 96)	BL to 26 Weeks (n = 98)	27 to 52 Weeks (n = 95)		
Any AE, n (%)	89 (91.8)	76 (79.2)	86 (87.8)	71 (74.7)		
AE leading to study drug dis-continuation, n (%)	0	0	0	0		
Any SAE, n (%)	4 (4.1)	8 (8.3)	8 (8.2)	5 (5.3)		
SAE leading to study drug discontinuation, n (%)	0	0	0	0		
Death, n (%)	0	0	0	0		
Most common AEs (≥5% incidence during weeks 27–52), n (%)						
Fatigue	7 (7.2)	13 (13.5)	7 (7.1)	13 (13.7)		
🖄 URTI	18 (18.6)	9 (9.4)	11 (11.2)	8 (8.4)		
Diarrhoea	9 (9.3)	6 (6.3)	7 (7.1)	5 (5.3)		
🖗 Headache	27 (27.8)	6 (6.3)	19 (19.4)	10 (10.5)		
Nasopharyngitis	21 (21.6)	6 (6.3)	20 (20.4)	7 (7.4)		
Pyrexia	9 (9.3)	6 (6.3)	5 (5.1)	6 (6.3)		
Pain in extremity	5 (5.2)	4 (4.2)	3 (3.1)	5 (5.3)		
Pizziness	3 (3.1)	2 (2.1)	7 (7.1)	6 (6.3)		
🖉 Anaemia	6 (6.2)	1 (1.0)	3 (3.1)	5 (5.3)		
Back pain	4 (4.1)	1 (1.0)	4 (4.1)	6 (6.3)		

• Other endpoints included safety and change in serum free C5 levels from baseline

– Serum free C5 < 0.5 µg/mL correlated with maximal intravascular control and complete terminal complement inhibition^{1,2}

CONCLUSIONS

- Adult patients with PNH on stable eculizumab therapy who received ravulizumab over 52 weeks (R-R arm) experienced durable efficacy
- Adult patients with PNH on stable eculizumab therapy who received eculizumab for 26 weeks and then switched to ravulizumab (E-R arm) had an efficacy response consistent with patients in the R-R arm
- All patients receiving eculizumab who had suboptimal free C5 inhibition achieved and maintained complete free C5 inhibition after the switch to ravulizumab
- No BTH events were associated with elevated serum free C5 levels
- Ravulizumab continued to be well tolerated through week 52 with no new safety concerns

BTH events associated with infections (with no free C5 elevation)	0	2	2	1 ^b
BTH events without elevated free C5 or reported infection	0	1	1	0
Transfusion avoidance, n (%)	85 (87.6)	83 (86.5)	81 (82.7)	79 (83.2)
Hemoglobin stabilization, n (%)	74 (76.3)	78 (81.2)	74 (75.5)	77 (81.1)

BL, baseline; BTH, breakthrough hemolysis.

^a Data from BL to 26 weeks are based on the full-analysis set.

^b This patient was 1 of the 2 patients who experienced BTH events with infections (with no free C5 elevation) from BL to 26 weeks.

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AE, adverse event; BL, baseline; SAE, serious adverse event; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.

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