

**EP671 OUTCOMES BEFORE AND AFTER DOSE REDUCTION IN PATIENTS WITH NEWLY DIAGNOSED CHRONIC MYELOID LEUKEMIA RECEIVING BOSUTINIB OR IMATINIB.** M. W.

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**Background:** Bosutinib is approved for patients with Philadelphia chromosome-positive chronic myeloid leukemia (CML), at a starting dose of 400mg once daily (QD) in newly diagnosed patients in chronic phase (CP). Aims: This analysis evaluated the impact dose reduction has on the outcomes of bosutinib and imatinib in patients with CP CML.

**Methods:** In the open-label BFORE trial, 536 patients with newly diagnosed CP CML were randomized to receive 400mg QD bosutinib (N=268) or imatinib (N=268; 3 untreated). Dose could be reduced to 300mg QD for toxicity. Following sponsor approval, dose reduction to bosutinib 200mg QD was permitted for 4 weeks maximum; after this time, dose escalation or treatment discontinuation was required. Maintenance of response after dose reduction was defined as having a response >6 months after the first reduction. Database lock: June 12, 2020, 5 years after the last patient enrolled. Results: In the bosutinib arm, dose reduction to 300 (without further reduction) or 200mg QD was seen in 82 (31%) and 33 (12%) patients, and median time to dose reduction was 85 and 205 days. In the imatinib arm, 50 (19%) patients had a dose reduction to 300mg QD, and median time to dose reduction was 92 days. Most common ( $\geq 2\%$  of patients) treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) leading to dose reduction were increased alanine aminotransferase (8%), thrombocytopenia (7%), diarrhea (7%), increased lipase (6%), increased aspartate aminotransferase (4%), nausea (4%), neutropenia (3%), rash (3%) and abdominal pain (2%) with bosutinib, and neutropenia (4%) with imatinib. Of the patients who remained on 400mg QD bosutinib (n=153) or imatinib (n=214), respectively, 120 (78%) and 139 (65%) achieved major molecular response (MMR). Among patients who had a bosutinib dose reduction to 300mg QD, 51/82 (62%) had MMR >6 months after dose reduction: 14 (17%) maintained MMR before and after dose reduction and 37 (45%) achieved MMR for the first time after dose reduction. Seven (9%) patients had MMR before dose reduction but discontinued treatment before the next >6 months assessment. In the imatinib arm, 32/50 (64%) patients had MMR >6 months after dose reduction: 9 (18%) maintained MMR before and after dose reduction and 23 (46%) achieved MMR for the first time after dose reduction. One (2%) patient had MMR before dose reduction but discontinued treatment before the next >6 months assessment and 1 (2%) patient lost a previously attained MMR after dose reduction. Among patients who had a bosutinib dose reduction to 200mg QD, 12/33 (36%) had MMR >6 months after dose reduction: 7 (21%) maintained MMR before and after dose reduction and 5 (15%) achieved MMR for the first time after dose reduction. Six (18%) patients had MMR before dose reduction but discontinued treatment before the next >6 months assessment. Similar trends were seen for complete cytogenetic response. Summary/Conclusion: Management of TEAEs through bosutinib or imatinib dose reduction

enabled patients to continue treatment, with a substantial number of patients achieving MMR for the first time after dose reduction.

**Background:** Bosutinib is approved for patients with Philadelphia chromosome–positive (Ph+) chronic myeloid leukemia (CML) resistant/ intolerant to prior therapy and newly diagnosed Ph+ chronic phase (CP) CML. In a phase 1/2 study, second-line bosutinib showed durable efficacy and manageable toxicity in patients with imatinib-resistant (IM-R) or imatinib-intolerant (IM-I) Ph+ CP CML. Aims: The final efficacy and safety analysis of this phase 1/2 study and its extension study (NCT00261846 and NCT01903733) is presented.

**Methods:** Patients with Ph+ CP CML who received bosutinib starting at 500mg/day after prior treatment with imatinib only were included. This analysis was based on ≥10 years of follow-up. Results: 19% of patients were on treatment with bosutinib at year 10, and 13% were still receiving bosutinib at study completion after ≥10 years; 19% completed ≥10 years of follow-up. Median duration of treatment and follow-up were 26 and 54 months, respectively. Median (range) dose intensity was 436 (87–599) mg/day. The most common primary reasons for permanent treatment discontinuation were lack of efficacy (unsatisfactory response or disease progression; 27%) and adverse events (AEs; 26%). In patients with a valid baseline assessment, cumulative complete cytogenetic response (CCyR), major molecular response (MMR) and MR4 rates were 50%, 42% and 37%, respectively (Table). Responses were durable, with estimated probabilities of maintaining CCyR, MMR and MR4 >50% after ≥10 years (Table). At 10 years, cumulative incidence of on-treatment progression/death was 24% and Kaplan-Meier (K-M) overall survival 72% (Table). 55 deaths (IM-R: n=41; IM-I: n=14) occurred on study; causes of death were disease progression (n=30), AEs (n=16; none bosutinib-related), other (n=5) and unknown (n=4). Any grade treatment-emergent AEs (TEAEs) occurring in ≥40% of patients were diarrhea (86%), nausea (46%) and thrombocytopenia (42%). Pleural effusion, cardiac and vascular TEAEs occurred in 13%, 12% and 11% of patients, respectively. 28% of patients had AEs leading to permanent treatment discontinuation; the most common (≥2% of patients) were thrombocytopenia (6%), neutropenia (2%) and alanine aminotransferase increased (2%).

Outcome after ≥10 years <sup>a</sup>	IM-R N=195	IM-I N=89	Total N=284
Patients with CCyR, n/N	88/182	42/90	130/262
Cumulative CCyR rate, % (95% CI)	48 (41–56)	53 (41–64)	50 (43–66)
Probability of maintaining CCyR, % (95% CI) <sup>b,c</sup>	61 (49–73)	52 (32–73)	58 (48–69)
Patients with MMR, n/N	58/127	25/70	83/197
Cumulative MMR rate, % (95% CI)	46 (37–55)	36 (25–48)	42 (35–49)
Probability of maintaining MMR, % (95% CI) <sup>b,c</sup>	55 (39–70)	54 (15–93)	56 (41–71)
Patients with MR <sup>4</sup> , n/N	50/127	23/70	73/197
Cumulative MR <sup>4</sup> rate, % (95% CI)	39 (31–48)	33 (22–45)	37 (30–44)
Probability of maintaining MR <sup>4</sup> , % (95% CI) <sup>b,c</sup>	55 (38–73)	52 (8–96)	56 (39–72)
Cumulative incidence of on-treatment progression/death, % (95% CI)	29 (23–36)	14 (8–23)	24 (20–30)
Overall survival, % (95% CI) <sup>d</sup>	71 (63–79)	73 (60–87)	72 (64–79)

Molecular data not on International Scale and not available for patients in China, Russia, South Africa and India.

CCyR<sup>4</sup> reported from MMR in extension study if valid cytogenetic assessment not available on a specific date.

<sup>a</sup>Outcomes reported after ≥10 years; few events (e.g., initial response, loss of response and death) occurred after year 10.

<sup>b</sup>K-M estimates.

<sup>c</sup>Among responders.

**Summary/Conclusion:** These 10-year data are consistent with prior results of durable efficacy and manageable toxicity with second-line bosutinib and support long-term bosutinib use in patients with CP CML after imatinib failure.