#### Gynecological cancers

# Lurbinectedin (PM01183) activity in platinum-resistant / refractory ovarian cancer patients. Preliminary results of an ongoing two stage phase II study

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# Lurbinectedin (PM01183) Preclinical data

- New DNA minor groove covalent binder
- In vitro / in vivo activity against a broad tumor panel
- Antitumor activity in orthotopic primary grafts of cisplatin – resistant epithelial ovarian cancer (EOC)

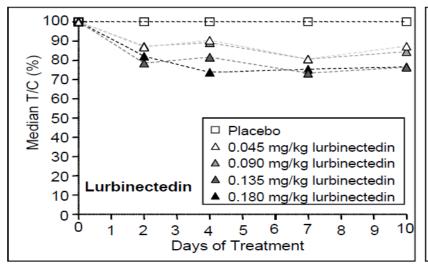


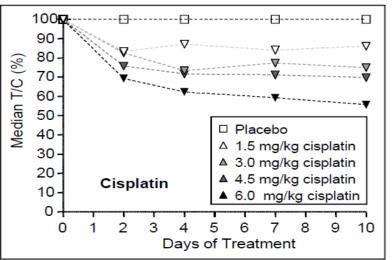
# Lurbinectedin (PM01183) Phase I study

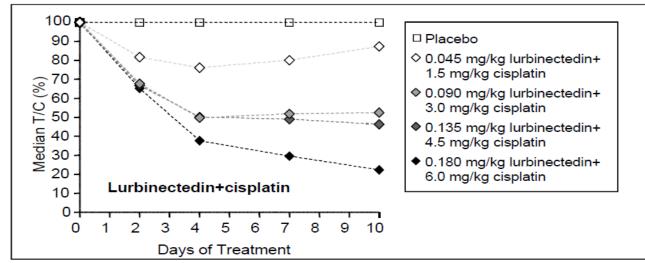
- IV 1hr inf q3 wks (flat dose), antiemetic prophylaxis
- RP2D 4mg/m2 (7mg FD)
- Neutropenia DLT, occuring 3 wks after treatment
- Linear PK with marked inter-intra individual variability. Low  $\sqrt{_{\rm SS}}$  and long T  $1\!\!\!/_2$
- Stronger association of neutropenia with AUC than with dose
- Antitumor activity in ACP



### Antitumor activity of Lurbinectedin and Cisplatin in A-2780 derived tumor xenografts



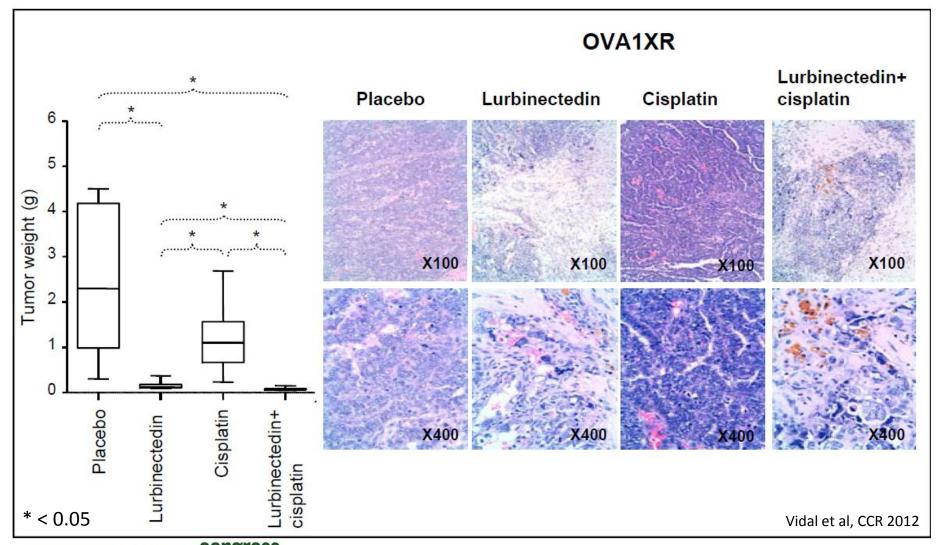




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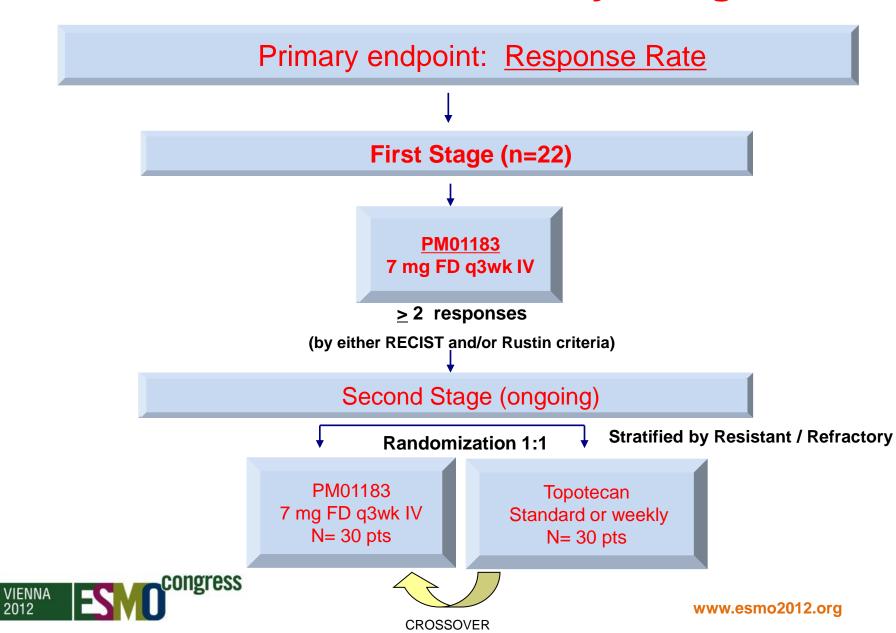


#### Response of OVA1XR to Lurbinectedin based treatments





#### PM1183-B-002-11 - Study Design



# Lurbinectedin in platinum resistant / refractory ovarian cancer First stage results

- 22 patients entered (6 P refractory) / 22 evaluable
- 27% RR, 4 according to RECIST 47% SD
- Nausea and vomiting, neutropenia and fatigue as main toxicities
- Second stage with randomization to topotecan ongoing



## Trabectedin in relapsed advanced ovarian cancer Pooled analysis of three Phase II trials

#### Antitumor activity

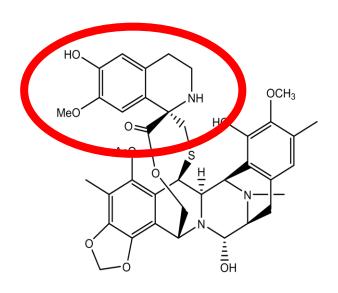
	Pt resistant (N=107)	Pt sensitive (N=187)
Median TTP (95% CI)	2.1 (1.7-2.9)	6.0 (5.3-6.6)
%CR + PR (95% CI)	7.5 (3.3-14.2)	36 (29-44)
%SD	43	39



#### **Chemical structures**

#### **Trabectedin**

#### Lurbinectedin (PM01183)



The structural difference is in the part of the molecule that does not bind DNA but interacts with DNA binding proteins (e.g. transcription factors)



#### Ecteinascidins' mode of action

#### Direct effect on cancer cells

by binding in the DNA minor groove, causing DNA damage and modulating the transcription of cancer relevant genes

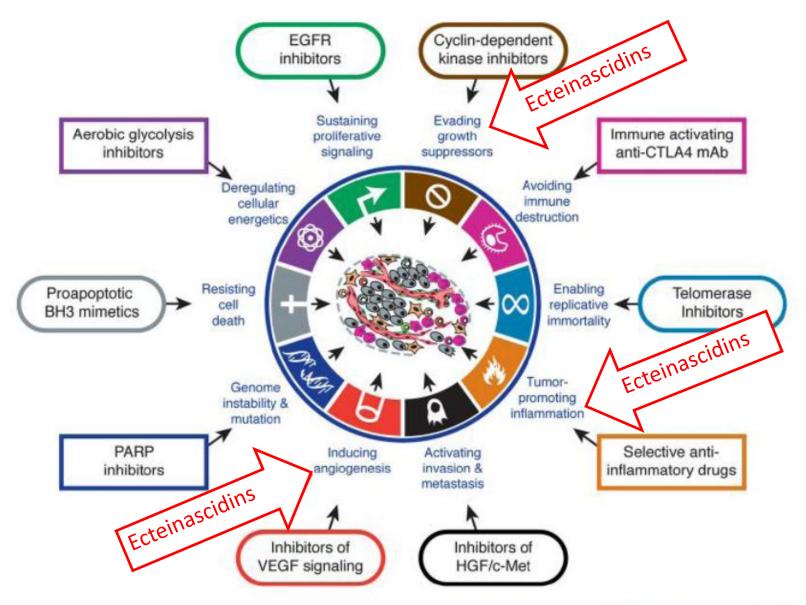
#### Indirect effect on tumor microenvironment

by decreasing the number of tumor associated macrophages

by inhibiting the transcription and production of cytokines (e.g. IL6, IL2) chemokines (e.g. CCL2) and angiogenic factors (e.g. VEGF, Angiopoietin 2)

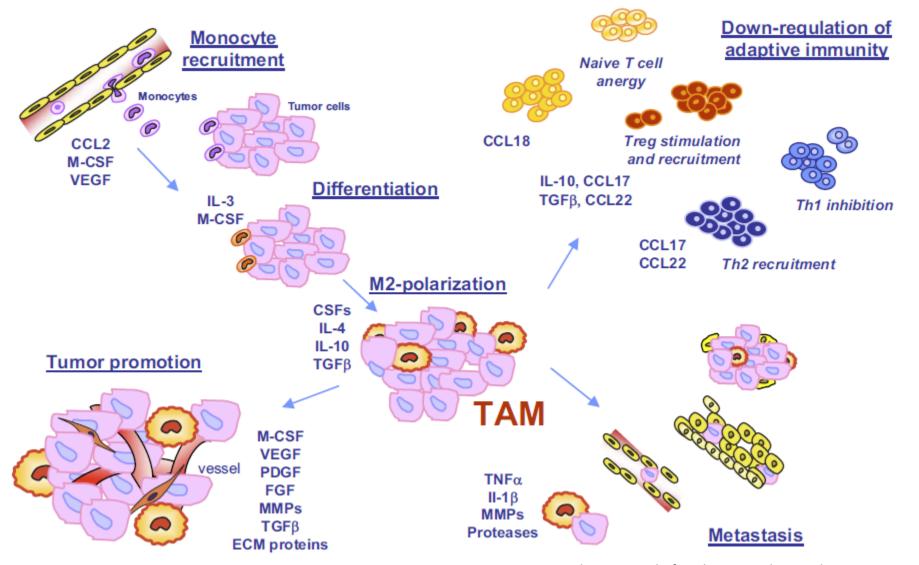


#### Ecteinascidins hit different functional aspects of tumors



Hanahan and Weinberg. Cell 144, 2011

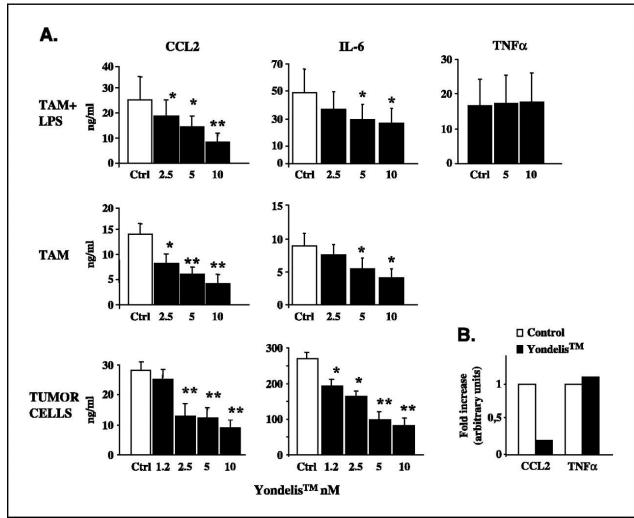
#### **Pro-tumor functions of Tumor-Associated Macrophages**





Solinas, Jounal of Leukocyte Biology, Vol. 86, Nov. 2009

### Yondelis inhibits CCL2 and IL-6 production in TAM and tumor cells from patients with ovarian cancer.



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## Clinical development Lurbinectedin Next steps

- Worthwhile pursuing the combination with chemo? Yes
- In which tumor types? So far only ovary, perhaps ACP
- Single agent or combinations? Combinations with platinum
- Additional data needed Comparison with trabectedin <u>+</u> / cisplatin in ovarian xenografts

Confirmation of the preclinical results in resistant EOC

 Evaluation of potential causes of differences from trabectedin different PK profile indirect effects on tumor microenvironment indirect effects on TAM

