A phase I/II study of ALK inhibitor CH5424802 in patients with ALK-positive NSCLC; safety and efficacy interim results of the phase II portion

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EML4-ALK: A new target for NSCLC therapy

EML4

ALK

EML4-ALK variant 1

• Identification of the transforming EML4-ALK fusion gene in NSCLC

Tumor/ injection

A subset of NSCLC patients (pts) express oncogenic fusion gene consisting of *EML4* and *ALK*, which is a promising candidate for a therapeutic target.

Subcutaneous injection of the transfected 3T3 cells into nude mice

- Vector EML4 ALK EML4–ALK
- Frequency of ALK rearrangements in NSCLC

Mutually exclusive of EGFR or KRAS mutation



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Soda et al., Nature, 448, 561-6 (2007), modified

CH5424802: A selective ALK inhibitor

- Chemical structure $N \rightarrow N \rightarrow N$
- Inhibitory activities against kinases

Kinases	IC ₅₀ (nM)
ALK	1.9
ALK C1156Y*	0.93
ALK L1196M*	2.1
INSR	550
KDR	1,400
ABL, EGFR, FGFR2, HER2, IGF1R, JAK1, KIT, MET, PDGFRβ, SRC, AKT1, AuroraA, CDK1, CDK2, MEK1, PKA, PKCα, PKCβ1, PKCβ2, Raf-1	>5,000

*Point mutations identified in crizotinib-resistant pts.



Sakamoto et al., Cancer Cell, 19, 679-690 (2011), modified

Efficacies in s.c. mouse xenograft models





Overviews of a phase I/II study for CH5424802



Phase II portion: Key eligibility criteria and primary endpoints

• Key eligibility criteria for pts recruited

- Histologically or cytologically confirmed advanced or metastatic NSCLC
- ECOG performance status of "0-1"
- ALK fusion gene confirmed in tissues (IHC* and FISH) or cell samples (RT-PCR)
- One or more prior chemotherapies undergone
- No prior treatment with ALK inhibitors
- Primary endpoints
 - Objective response rate (ORR) (IRC** assessment)



* Takeuchi et al., Clin. Cancer Res., 15, 3143-9 (2008)

** IRC, independent review committee

Patient's characteristics

Demog	Phase II portion N = 46, n (%)	
Age	Median (ranges)	48.0 (26-75)
Sex	Male Female	22 (48%) 24 (52%)
ECOG Performance status	0 1	21 (46%) 25 (54%)
Smoking history	Non-smokers Current smokers Past smokers	27 (59%) 1 (2%) 18 (39%)
Histology	Adenocarcinoma	46 (100%)
ALK diagnosis	IHC and FISH RT-PCR	39 (85%) 7 (15%)
Prior regimens	1 2 ≥ 3	16 (35%) 12 (26%) 18 (39%)



Clinical efficacy of CH5424802

	Investigator assessment N=46
CR	3
PR	36
SD	5
PD	1
NE	1
Total of response	39
ORR [95% CI]	85% [71.1-93.7]

- Treatment duration: 2-46+ weeks
- 40 out of 46 pts are still on study treatments



A waterfall plot of tumor shrinkage



N=46, investigator assessment



*Indeterminate response by early stopping due to safety reasons **Per RECIST 1.1, percent change from baseline for subjects with response of

CR can be less than 100% when lymph nodes are identified as target lesions.

Anti-tumor activity of CH5424802



After 26 weeks of CH5424802 treatment



Before treatment

Anti-tumor activity in brain metastases





After 33 weeks of CH5424802 treatment



Treatment related AEs (≥ 10%)

Adverse event	Total, n (%)	Grade 3, n
Dysgeusia	14 (30%)	0
AST increased	13 (28%)	0
Rash*	11 (24%)	2
Constipation	11 (24%)	0
ALT increased	10 (22%)	1
Blood creatinine increased	10 (22%)	0
Neutrophil count decreased	8 (17%)	2
Blood bilirubin increased	8 (17%)	0
Blood CPK** increased	7 (15%)	2
Nausea	6 (13%)	0
Stomatitis	6 (13%)	0
Myalgia	5 (11%)	0
Blood ALP*** increased	5 (11%)	0

Total Treatment related AEs		43 (93%)	11	
congress		*rash, rash maculo-papular, rash pustular ; **CPK, creatine		

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***ALP, alkaline phosphatase

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phosphokinase;

Treatment related AEs

Body system	Adverse event	Total, n (%)	Grade 3, n
	vision blurred	1 (2%)	0
Visual disorder	visual impairment	1 (2%)	0
	vitreous haemorrhage	1 (2%)	0
	Nausea	6 (13%)	0
<u>Gastrointestinal</u> disorder	Diarrhea	2 (4%)	0
	Vomiting	1 (2%)	0

Visual disorders were rare and GI toxicities were mild.



Treatment related AEs

- No dose reductions were required.
- Treatment related AEs leading to a discontinuation were observed in 3 pts. Cholangitis sclerosing, interstitial lung disease, and tumor haemorrhage



Summary

- CH5424802 had good activity in ALK positive NSCLC patients.
 - ORR: 85% [95% CI: 71.1-93.7]
 - Significant and rapid tumor shrinkage occurred in most patients.
 - CH5424802 is potentially active against metastatic brain tumors.
- CH5424802 was well tolerated.
 - The majority of adverse events were grade 1 or 2
 - No dose reduction were required.
 - Visual disorders were rare and GI toxicities were mild.



Conclusions

- CH5424802 is a new potent ALK inhibitor for NSCLC.
- We look forward to further investigation with CH5424802 and exploring optimal ALK inhibitor applications in NSCLC.



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