Cabozantinib (XL184) at 40mg in Patients with Metastatic Castration Resistant Prostate Cancer (mCRPC): Results of a Phase 2 Non-Randomized Expansion Cohort (NRE)

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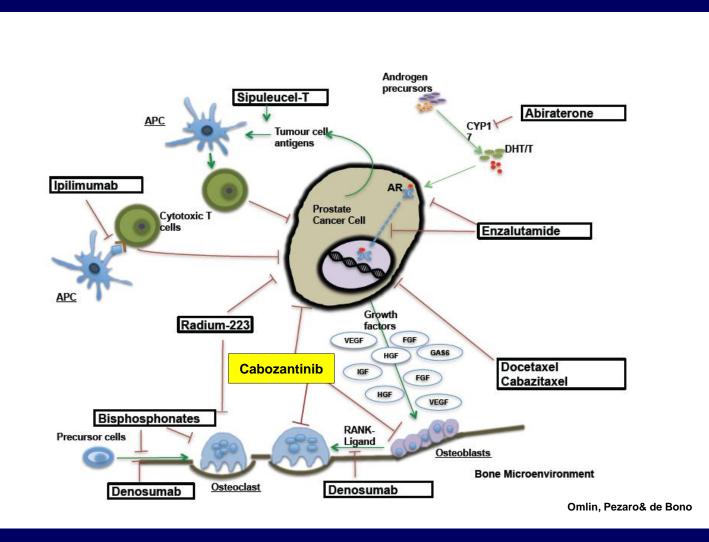


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## **Blocking Kinase Signaling by Cabozantinib**



#### Inhibits VEGFR, MET, RET, AXL, KIT, FLT3



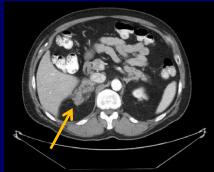
# Cabozantinib at 100mg QD in mCRPC

- 67% demonstrated bone scan response
- 64% experienced pain reduction
- 80% showed soft tissue disease regression
- Median CTC change: 86% reduction
- Substantial reductions in bone markers
- Variable PSA changes
- Dose reduction rate: 84%

MR Smith et al. ASCO 2012 (Abstract #4513)



Soft tissue







# **Study Design**

Single stage Phase 2 study sequentially enrolled two cohorts with doses of cabozantinib initially at 100mg and then at 40mg QD

#### Sample Size

• 51 patients were enrolled at 40mg to evaluate dose tolerability and determine antitumor activity to support dose selection for Phase 3

#### Key Eligibility Criteria

• Progressing CRPC with bone metastases on bone scan; prior docetaxel

#### Endpoints

- Primary: Bone scan response by CAD<sup>1</sup> and independent review
- Additional endpoints include:
  - Radiographic PFS, pain and narcotic use, CTCs, bone markers

<sup>1</sup> Computer assisted detection of bone scan lesion area (Brown *et al.* Nucl Med Commun 2012)



### Baseline Characteristics 40mg Cohort (N=51)

Median age (range)	65 (43 – 84)	Prior therapies, %	
ECOG status, %		Docetaxel	100
0	35	Abiraterone	63
1	65	Enzalutamide	4
Sites of disease, %		Cabazitaxel	25
Bone	100	Radionuclide	6
Visceral	31	Bisphosphonate	45
Measurable disease, %	41	Denosumab	41
Pain score ≥ 4, %	53	PD from last taxane dos	se <sup>1</sup> , %
Pain ≥ 4 & narcotics, %	45	Less than 1 month	49
Fatigue any grade, %	55	1-6 months	49
≥ 2 prior regimens for	71	Median values	
CRPC, %		PSA, ng/mL (range)	146 (9 – 2428)



<sup>1</sup> Not applicable for one patient www.esmo2012.org

25 (0-3959)

CTC count (range)

## **Patient Disposition**

Summary of treatment status (40mg, N=51)	n (%)
Active	21 (41)
Treatment discontinued	30 (59)
Reason for discontinuation	
Progressive disease	20 (39)
Adverse event	8 (16)
Subject request/ lost to follow-up	2 (4)

Median treatment duration (range): 4.7 months (0.3 – 8.8+) Time since first/ last patient enrolled: 9.2 / 4.9 months

Discontinuation rate for adverse events similar to other agents in late line CRPC



## Most Frequently Reported Adverse Events

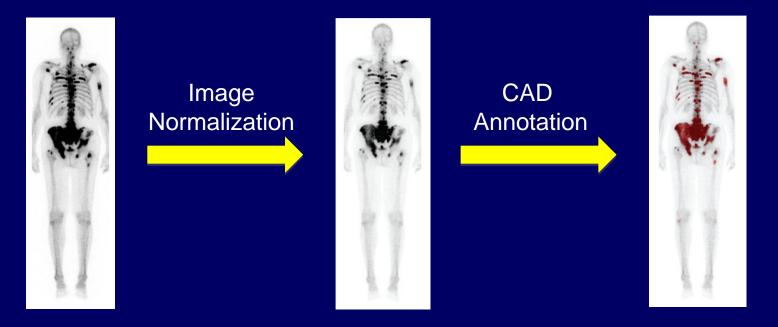
• 25% of patients experienced a dose reduction due to AE

Adverse Event (40mg, N=51)	All Grades, n (%)	Grade 3, n (%)	Grade 4, n (%)
Fatigue	31 (61)	6 (12)	—
Decreased Appetite	20 (39)	4 ( 8)	—
Diarrhea	18 (35)	—	—
Nausea	18 (35)	—	—
Vomiting	16 (31)	—	—
Back Pain	12 (24)	1 (2)	1 (2)
Weight Decreased	12 (24)	—	—
Dysgeusia	11 (22)	—	—
Hypertension	10 (20)	7 (14)	—
Dyspnea	10 (20)	-	—
Adverse Events of Interest			
Hand-foot syndrome	9 (18)	_	_
Thrombosis venous	7 (14)	1 (2)	6 (12)



### Assessment of Bone Scan 'Response'

- Images normalized to reference atlas radiotracer uptake annotated by CAD<sup>1</sup>
- Readers rejected non-tumor annotation (eg fracture, arthritis)
- •Bone scan lesion area (BSLA), which represented the number of pixels with radiotracer uptake above the threshold for normal bone, was calculated
- Discordance between readers required adjudication
- •Bone scan response defined as ≥30% decrease in BSLA





<sup>1</sup> Computer assisted detection of BSLA (Brown *et al.* Nucl Med Commun 2012)

## Bone Scan 'Response' By CAD and Independent Radiology Review

Bone scan evaluable (40mg, N=51) <sup>1</sup>	n (%)
Bone scan 'response'	25 (49)
Complete (100% reduction of BSLA)	1 (2)
Partial (≥30% reduction of BSLA)	24 (47)
Stable	15 (29)
Progressive disease <sup>2</sup>	7 (14)

BSLA, bone scan lesion area

<sup>1</sup>Bone metastases at baseline and  $\geq$ 1 post-baseline scan available for 47 patients

<sup>2</sup> Two or more new areas of uptake or unequivocal increase of uptake at metastatic sites



### Cabozantinib Effects on Bone Scan Appear to be Tumor-Selective



Baseline X-Rays: Osteoarthritis (knees)

Baseline

Week 18

Resolution at sites of bone metastases with residual uptake at sites of osteoarthritis

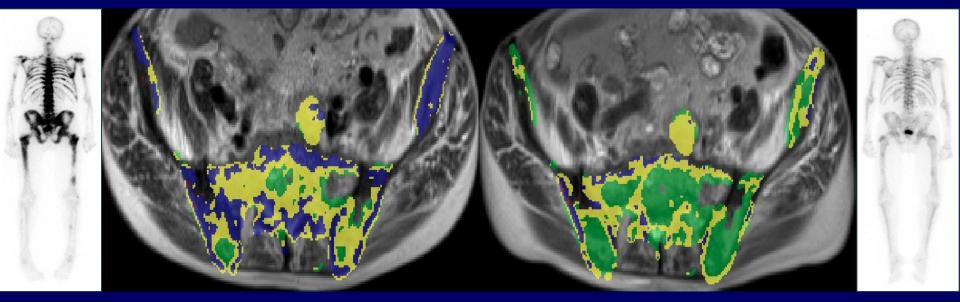


Images from 100mg NRE cohort; courtesy of Dr. P. Corn (MD Anderson)

Cabozantinib Induces Tumor Cell Death at Sites of Bone Metastases as Reflected by Diffusion Weighted - MRI Findings

#### Baseline

#### Week 6



#### 38% increase in mean Apparent Diffusion Coefficient at Week 6

High Cellularity Tumor

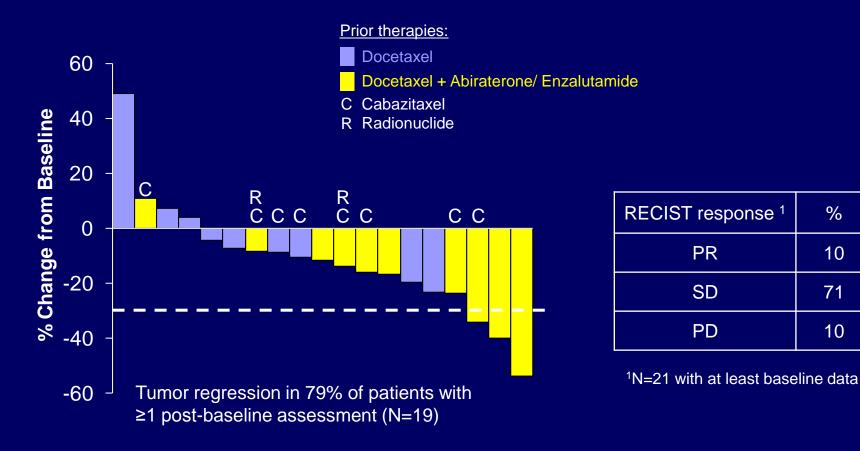
Low Cellularity Tumor

**Tumor Necrosis** 

Images courtesy of Dr Nina Tunariu, Royal Marsden



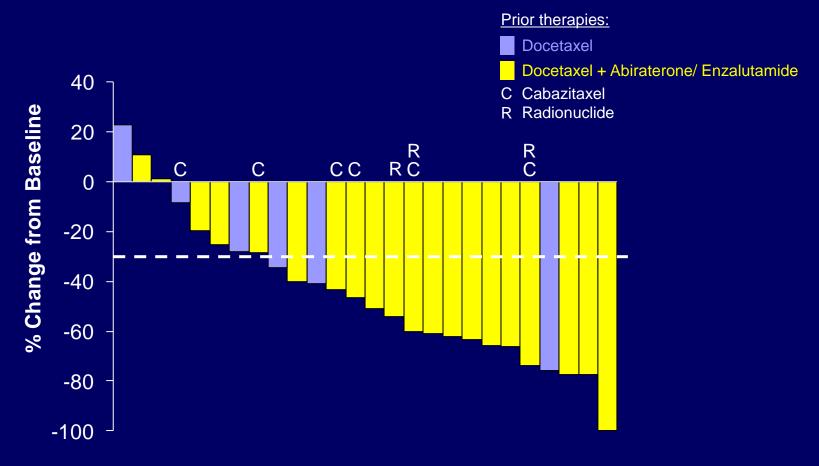
### **Change in Measurable Soft Tissue Lesions**



Radiographic Progression-Free Survival of 4.1 months regardless of prior treatment with Abiraterone



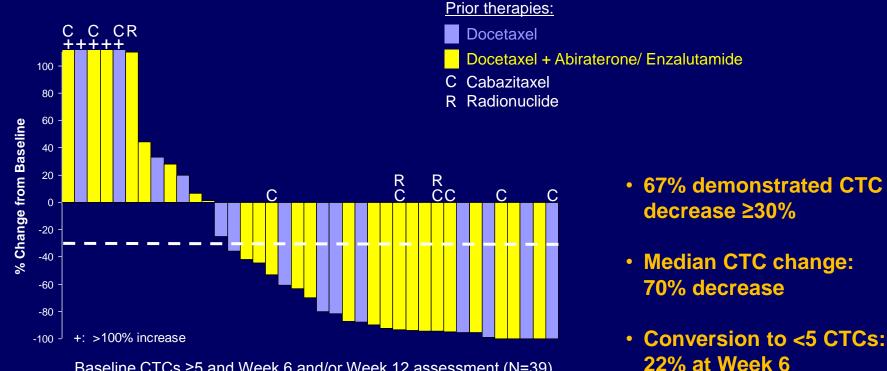
#### Change in Pain Scores Patients with baseline score ≥4 (N=26)



- 69% had a pain decrease ≥30%
- Median change in pain: 49% reduction
- 54% decreased narcotics use (1 patient discontinued narcotics)



### **Changes in Biomarkers**



#### **Circulating Tumor Cells**

Baseline CTCs ≥5 and Week 6 and/or Week 12 assessment (N=39)

#### **Serum Bone Biomarkers**

- Median change in CTx at Week 12: 31% reduction ٠
- 50% of evaluable patients exhibited a decrease in BSAP at week 12 or later •



## Summary

- Cabozantinib at 40mg QD shows promising single agent antitumor activity with improved tolerability in advanced mCRPC
  - Regression of measurable disease and resolution of bone scans
  - Pain relief associated with decreased narcotic use
  - Reductions in CTCs and bone biomarkers
  - Fewer dose reductions compared to 100mg QD

• Phase 3 studies (COMET-1/-2) now recruiting mCRPC patients



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