



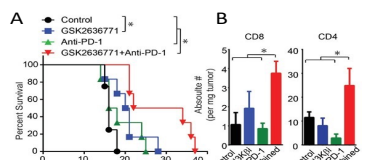
# 1085P: Phase I/II Study of PI3K $\beta$ inhibitor GSK2636771 (G771) in combination with pembrolizumab (P) in patients (pts) with PTEN loss and melanoma or other advanced solid tumors.

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## Background & Rationale

- Immune checkpoint blockade (ICB) improves survival in metastatic melanoma, but many pts progress and ultimately die from their disease.
- PTEN loss occurs in up to 30% of metastatic melanoma pts, activates the PI3K-AKT pathway, and correlates with decreased tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL) and lower response rates (RR) to ICB<sup>1</sup>
- In preclinical models with PTEN-null melanoma, selective inhibition of PI3K $\beta$  with GSK266771 (G771) + ICB was superior to pan-PI3K inhibition and increased CD4<sup>+</sup>/CD8<sup>+</sup> TIL and survival (Figure 1)<sup>1</sup>

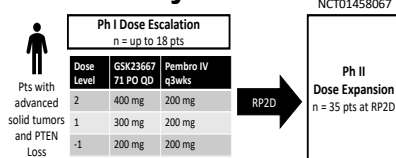


**Figure 1:** PI3K $\beta$  inhibitor enhances the anti-tumor activity of T-cell mediated ICB in mice bearing PTEN-loss tumor. BRAF V600E/+ mice with measurable tumors were randomly treated with either vehicle + control antibody. (A) Survival curves of mice treated with G771 and/or anti-PD-1 demonstrates statistical significance ( $P < 0.05$ ). (B) Statistically significant ( $p < 0.05$ ) increase in post treatment tumor infiltrating T cells in mice treated with G771 and/or anti-PD-1 vs either agent alone.

## Hypothesis

We hypothesized that pembrolizumab in combination with the PI3K $\beta$  inhibitor GSK2636771 will be safely tolerated and demonstrate clinical activity in patients with PTEN loss

## Study Schema



## Objectives

### Primary Objective

- Phase I: To determine recommended phase 2 dose (RP2D) for GSK2636771 + pembrolizumab
- Phase II: To determine the safety, tolerability, and response rate (by RECIST 1.1)

### Secondary Objectives

- PK evaluation of GSK2636771
- PD effects of combination in the blood & tumor

## Patient Eligibility

- Unresectable stage III/IV malignancies with PTEN loss defined by loss of function genomic alterations or loss of protein expression by IHC
- Pts, including melanoma, must have progressed or failed to respond to anti-PD1 based therapy
- Pts with prostate, endometrial, or triple negative breast malignancies must have either progressed or refused standard therapies.
- Baseline tissue was required
- No history of autoimmune disorders

## Statistical Design

- Single institution, open label, single arm phase I/II study evaluating GSK2636771 in combination with pembrolizumab in patients with PTEN loss and advanced malignancies.
- Phase I dose escalation with patients treated in the 3+3 format
- Phase II expansion: Continuous monitoring for safety and utility performed using a Bayesian model

## Patient Demographics

Characteristic	Patients (N=27)
Age n (%)	
< 65 years	13 (48)
≥ 65 years	14 (52)
Gender n (%)	
Male	18 (67)
Female	9 (33)
Primary Cancer n (%)	
Prostate	12 (44)
Melanoma	10 (37)
Triple Negative Breast	2 (7)
Colon	1 (4)
Endometrial	1 (4)
Lung	1 (4)

## Accrual by Dose

Starting Dose GSK2636771	Patients (N=27)
Phase I	
300mg	5
400mg	5
Phase II	
200mg	17

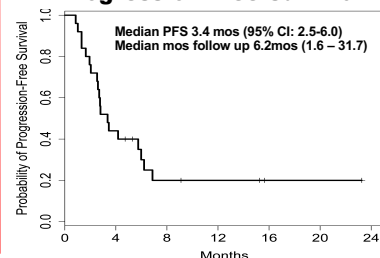
- Trial accrual started at dose level 1 of GSK2636771 at 300mg QD
- Following the study plan, the dose was escalated to 400mg QD
- Due to a DLT of acute kidney injury and data from other ongoing studies by the industry sponsor, GSK, the RP2D was set at 200mg
- GSK ceased further development of GSK2636771 and accrual was stopped after 27 patients met eligibility and received treatment

## Clinical Responses

Best Objective Response (RECIST 1.1)	Patients (N=25)
Partial Response n (%)	3 (12)
Prostate	2 (8)
Melanoma	1 (4)
Stable Disease n (%)	10 (40)
Prostate	5 (5)
Melanoma	3 (12)
Lung	1 (4)
Partial Response + Stable Disease by cancer type/ # enrolled per cancer (%)	
Prostate	7/12 (58)
Melanoma	4/10 (40)

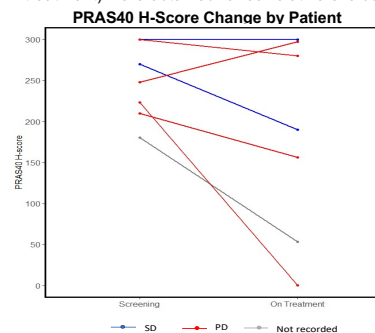
- 25 of the 27 pts were evaluable for response
- Of the patients with stable disease, 2 pts remained stable for more than one year

## Progression Free Survival



## Correlative Immunohistochemistry Analysis

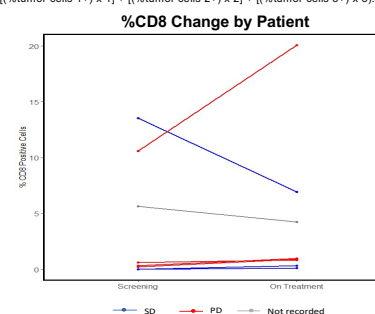
- Several paired core biopsies (baseline and on treatment) were obtained for correlative evaluation



- The majority of pts experienced a decrease in phospho-PRAS40, regardless of response, from baseline to post treatment
- One pt with progressive disease did demonstrate an increase
- One pt was inevaluable for response

### Methods phospho PRAS40:

The percentage of phospho-PRAS40-positive tumor cells was evaluated by a pathologist. The intensity of cytoplasmic staining was recorded as: Negative (0+), Weak (1+), Moderate (2+) or Intense (3+). H-Score = [(%tumor cells 0+) x 0] + [(%tumor cells 1+) x 1] + [(%tumor cells 2+) x 2] + [(%tumor cells 3+) x 3].



- Overall, there were no marked changes seen in CD8% from baseline to post treatment. One patient was inevaluable for response

### Methods CD8:

Image analysis software (Aperio ImageScope) measured the number of positive CD8 cells within designated areas. The tumor area of interest was circled by a pathologist and given a measurement in mm<sup>2</sup>. For each tumor region, the numbers of positive cells were summed, and the total number of positive cells was divided by the total area (mm<sup>2</sup>) in which cells were counted.

## TX Related AEs >20% pts or any grade 3/4 event

Adverse Event Name	Gr 1/2	Gr 3/4	Total
Diarrhea	9	0	9
Hypophosphatemia	5	3	8
Fatigue	8	0	8
Rash maculo-papular	4	2	6
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	6	0	6
Hypocalcemia	4	1	5
Alanine aminotransferase increased	5	0	5
Hyperglycemia	5	0	5
Nausea	3	1	4
Administration site reaction	2	1	3
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders	2	1	3
Lymphocyte count decreased	0	2	2
Anemia	1	1	2
Rash acneiform	1	1	2
Creatinine increased	1	1	2
Hyperthyroidism	1	1	2
Rash pustular	0	1	1
Hypotension	0	1	1
Hypertension	0	1	1

- 44% of pts experienced grade 3 or 4 toxicities
- There were no grade 5 events
- 3 pts discontinued due to toxicities

## Conclusions

- The primary objective of the Phase I portion of the study was met in determining the RP2D of GSK2636771 at 200mg PO QD in combination with pembrolizumab 200mg q3wks
- We demonstrated feasibility of a biomarker-selected clinical trial designed to reverse a specific mechanism of PD1 resistance
- There were durable partial responses and some pts achieved long term clinical benefit indicating a potential role for reversal of PD1 resistance by targeting the PI3K/AKT pathway
- Patients with prostate cancer demonstrated a high rate of disease control (58%)
- There were no marked CD8 changes observed in tissue samples collected.
- The majority of pts experienced a decrease in phospho-PRAS40
- More correlative analyses are underway to provide further insights into how targeting this pathway may be a mechanism to overcome resistance to PD1 in pts with PTEN loss

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