

Trastuzumab Deruxtecan (T-DXd) in Patients With *HER2*-Mutated (*HER2*m) Metastatic Non–Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC): A Phase 2 Study (DESTINY-Lung02)

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Background

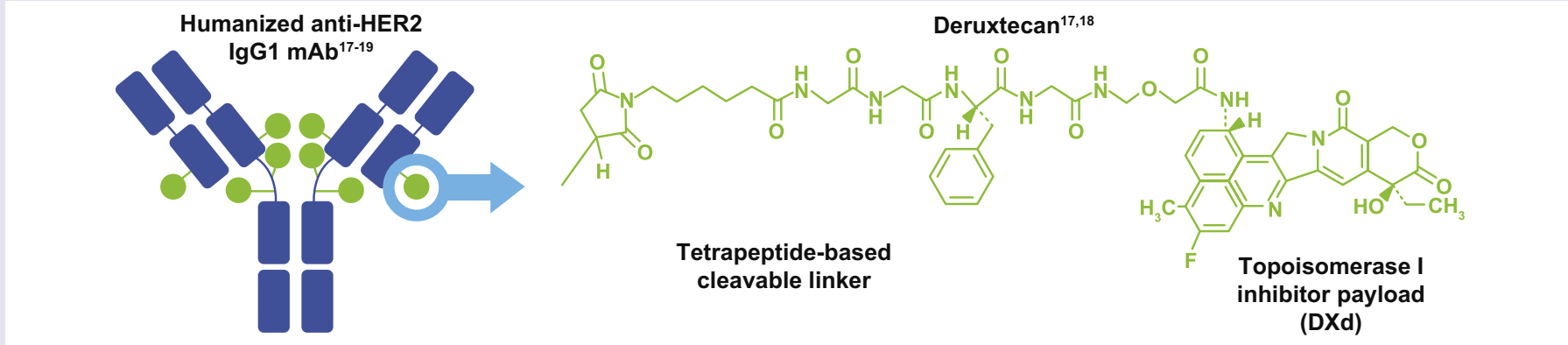
HER2 Mutations in NSCLC

- Human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 (*HER2*) mutations are oncogenic drivers in NSCLC and are found in approximately 3% of patients with NSCLC¹⁻³
 - HER2* is considered a distinct molecular target as *HER2* mutations tend to be mutually exclusive from aberrations in other driver mutations⁴
 - Median overall survival (OS) is shorter and the incidence of brain metastasis is greater in patients with *HER2*m advanced NSCLC compared with patients with tumors harboring other driver mutations^{1,2,5}
- There are no approved *HER2*-targeted therapies for patients with NSCLC⁶
 - Several studies with *HER2*-targeted tyrosine kinase inhibitors in this population have been conducted or are ongoing; however, clinical responses with these *HER2*-targeted agents in *HER2*m NSCLC produced limited activity and inconsistent results, with objective response rates (ORRs) ranging from 0 to 30%⁷⁻¹¹
 - Trastuzumab emtansine, a *HER2* antibody–drug conjugate (ADC), has shown more encouraging activity, with an ORR of 44%; receptor–ADC internalization is thought to be a mechanism of action¹²⁻¹³
- For patients with *HER2*m NSCLC, chemotherapy and/or immune checkpoint inhibitors remain the standard of care but have limited activity in second or later line settings
 - With combination therapy, ORR ranges from 12 to 23% and median duration of response (DOR) is ~5 months^{14,15}
 - Moreover, immune checkpoint inhibitor monotherapy may not be effective in patients with *HER2*m NSCLC (ORR, 7%)¹⁶

T-DXd Is Designed to Deliver an Optimal Antitumor Effect

- T-DXd is an ADC with 3 components (**Figure 1**)^{17,18}:
 - Humanized anti-*HER2* immunoglobulin G1 monoclonal antibody that has the same amino acid sequence as trastuzumab
 - Topoisomerase I inhibitor payload, an exatecan derivative
 - Tetrapeptide-based cleavable linker

Figure 1. Structure of T-DXd¹⁷⁻¹⁹



HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; IgG1, immunoglobulin G1; mAb, monoclonal antibody; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan.

- T-DXd has been approved to treat adult patients with
 - HER2*-positive unresectable/metastatic breast cancer who received prior chemotherapy or ≥2 prior anti-*HER2*-based regimens, at the 5.4 mg/kg every 3 weeks (Q3W) dose²⁰⁻²³
 - HER2*-positive advanced/metastatic gastric cancer who received a prior trastuzumab-based regimen (United States and Israel) or whose disease progressed after chemotherapy (Japan), at the 6.4mg/kg Q3W dose^{20,21,23}
- T-DXd is approved in the United States and Japan with boxed warnings for interstitial lung disease (both countries) and embryo-fetal toxicity (United States only)^{20,21}
- In the DS8201-A-J101 dose escalation and expansion phase 1 trial (NCT02564900), 2 recommended phase 2 doses of T-DXd were established: 5.4 mg/kg and 6.4 mg/kg Q3W²⁴
- T-DXd 6.4 mg/kg Q3W was investigated in a phase 2 trial (DESTINY-Lung01; NCT03505710) in patients with metastatic *HER2*m NSCLC (**Table 1**).²⁵ with the primary analysis presented at ESMO 2021 (Abstract #LBA45)²⁶
 - Although T-DXd 5.4 mg/kg and T-DXd 6.4 mg/kg have shown clinical efficacy in multiple cancer indications,²⁷⁻²⁹ T-DXd 5.4 mg/kg has not been tested in patients with *HER2*m NSCLC
 - T-DXd 5.4 mg/kg and T-DXd 6.4 mg/kg are being evaluated in patients with *HER2*-overexpressing NSCLC (DESTINY-Lung01; NCT03505710)
 - T-DXd in combination with durvalumab is being evaluated in patients with *HER2*-expressing NSCLC (DESTINY-Lung03; NCT04686305)
- T-DXd is also being evaluated in studies of other solid tumor types, including a *HER2*m tumor-agnostic trial (DESTINY-PanTumor01; NCT04639219)

Table 1. Interim Analysis Efficacy Results in Patients With *HER2*m NSCLC (DESTINY-Lung01)²⁴

Response Assessment by ICR	Cohort 2 Patients (N = 42)
Confirmed ORR, % n (95% CI)	61.9 26 (45.6-76.4)
DCR, % n (95% CI)	90.5 38 (77.4-97.3)
Median DOR, months (95% CI)	NE (5.3-NE)
Median PFS, months (95% CI)	14 (6.4-14.0)
Median OS, months (95% CI)	NE (11.8-NE)

Data cutoff: November 25, 2019.
DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; *HER2*m, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2-mutated; ICR, independent central review; NE, not estimable; NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

Objective

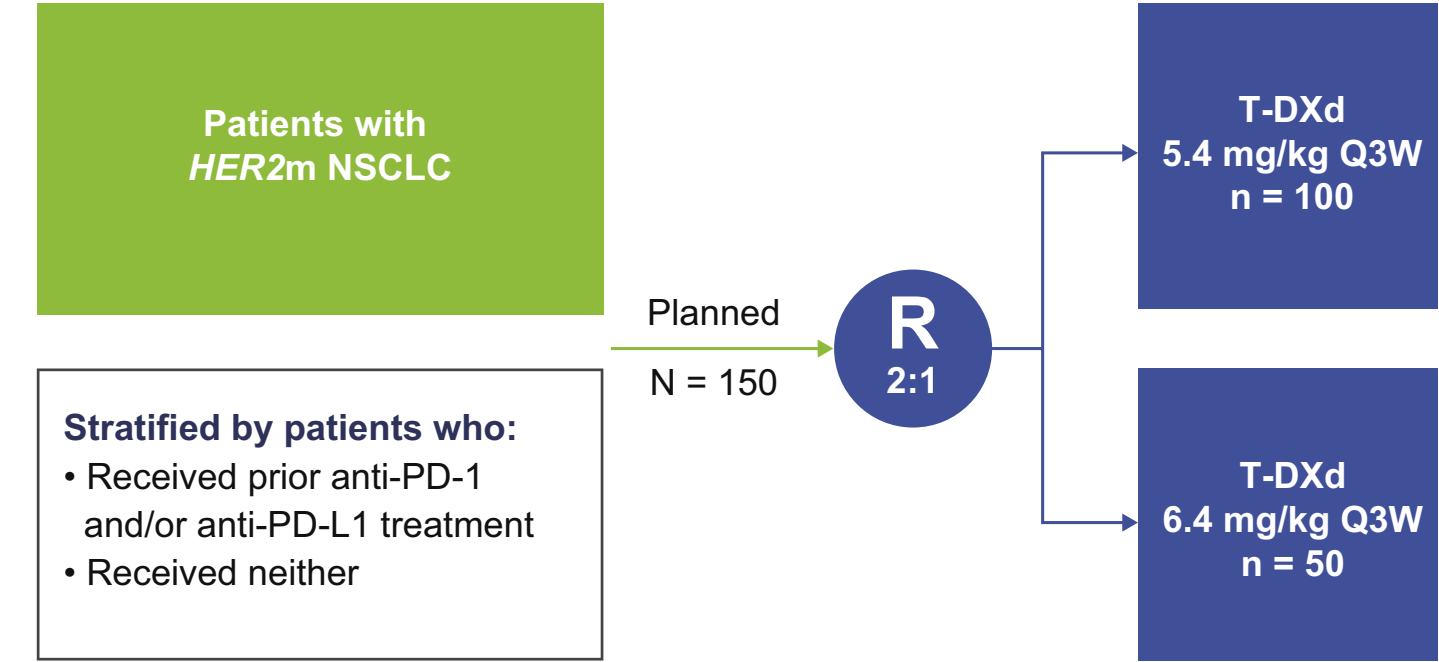
- This randomized phase 2 study will characterize the benefit-risk profile of T-DXd in patients with metastatic *HER2*m NSCLC who have experienced disease recurrence or progression during or after ≥1 regimen of prior anticancer therapy, including platinum therapy
 - The efficacy and safety of the 5.4 mg/kg dose in patients with *HER2*m NSCLC will be evaluated for the first time, and the efficacy and safety of the 6.4 mg/kg dose will be further assessed in this population
 - The primary endpoint is confirmed ORR by blinded independent central review

Methods

Study Design and Population

- DESTINY-Lung02 is a global, multicenter, 2-arm, randomized phase 2 study (**Figure 2**)

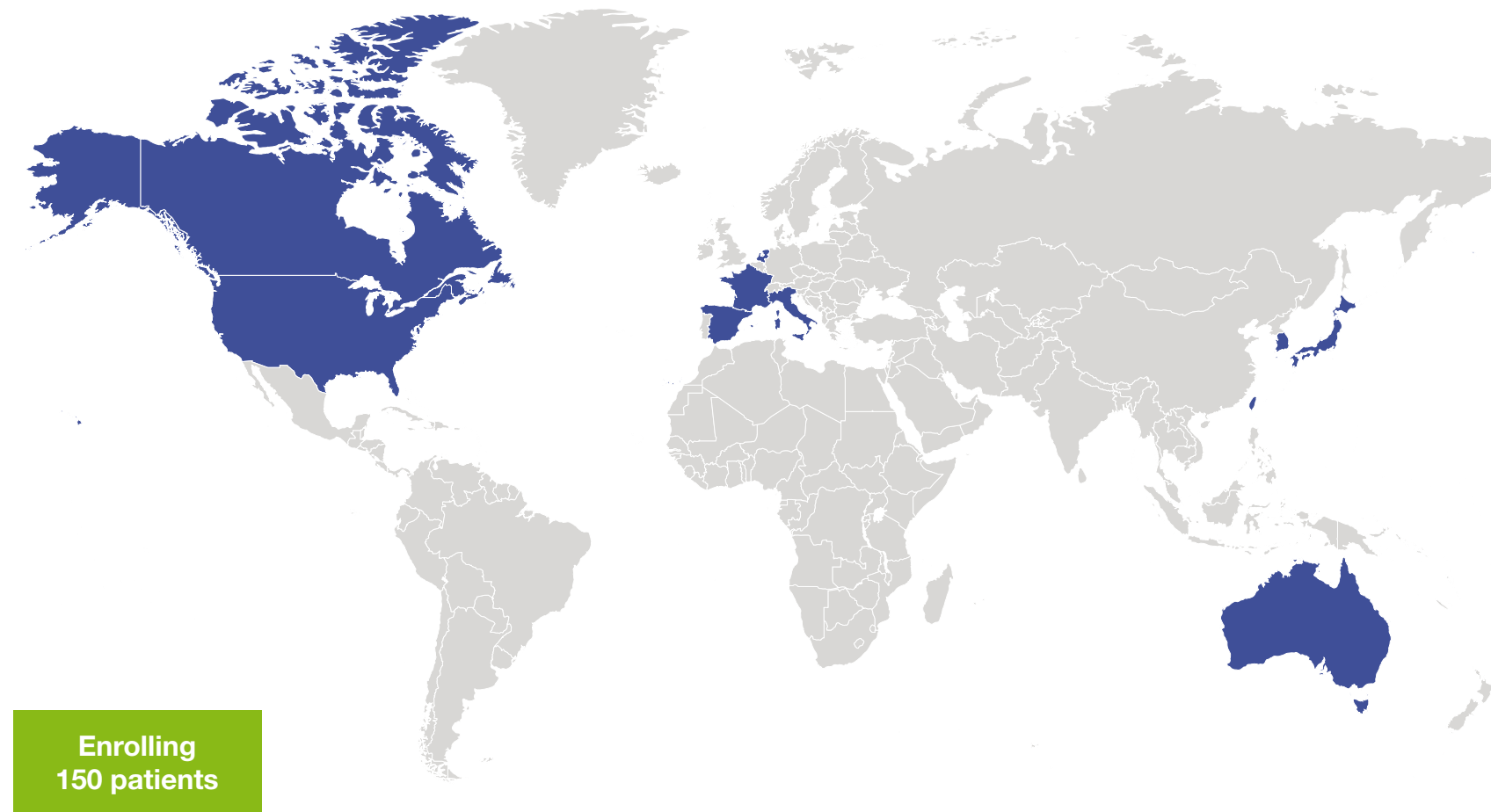
Figure 2. Study Design



*HER2*m, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2-mutated; NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; PD-1, programmed cell death protein 1; PD-L1, programmed cell death ligand 1; Q3W, every 3 weeks; R, randomization; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan.

Enrollment

- This trial is actively enrolling, with approximately 150 patients to be enrolled from 45 sites in Australia, Canada, France, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, and the United States
- For more information or to refer a patient, please visit ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT04644237)



Key Inclusion Criteria

- Adults (according to local regulation) and able to provide informed consent
- Metastatic NSCLC with a known activating *HER2* mutation (by local detection)
- One or more lines of previous treatment, including platinum therapy
- Presence of ≥1 measurable lesion confirmed by BICR, based on RECIST v1.1
- ECOG PS of 0 or 1
- LVEF ≥50% within 28 days before randomization
- Willing and able to provide an adequate tumor tissue sample

ALK, anaplastic lymphoma kinase; *BRAF*, B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase; BICR, blinded independent central review; CHF, congestive heart failure; CNS, central nervous system; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; *EGFR*, epidermal growth factor receptor; *HER2*, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; ILD, interstitial lung disease; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; MI, myocardial infarction; NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; RECIST v1.1, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors, version 1.1; *ROS1*, *ROS* proto-oncogene 1, receptor tyrosine kinase.

Study Endpoints

Primary	Confirmed ORR by BICR-assessed RECIST v1.1*		
Secondary	Efficacy	Safety	Pharmacokinetics
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ORR by investigator-assessed RECIST v1.1DORDCRPFSOS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">AEs, including TEAEs, SAEs, and AEs of special interest graded according to NCI-CTCAE v5.0ECOG PS, vital sign measurements, ophthalmologic findings, standard clinical laboratory parameters, ECG parameters, ECHO/MUGA findings, and radiologic findings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Serum concentrations of T-DXd, total anti-<i>HER2</i> antibody, and MAAA 1181 <p>Immunogenicity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Incidence of antidrug antibodies <p>Health Economics and Outcomes Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">PROs of change from baseline in EORTC core QLQ-C30 and EORTC QLQ-LC13 scale scores and time to deterioration in EORTC QLQ-C30 scores

AE, adverse event; BICR, blinded independent central review; DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; ECG, electrocardiogram; ECHO, echocardiogram; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; EORTC, European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer; *HER2*, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; MUGA, multi-gated acquisition; NCI-CTCAE v5.0, National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events, version 5.0; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PRO, patient-reported outcome; QLQ-C30, quality-of-life questionnaire core 30; QLQ-LC13, quality-of-life questionnaire for lung cancer trials; RECIST v1.1, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors, version 1.1; SAE, serious adverse event; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.
*Confirmed ORR defined as the proportion of patients with a best overall response of confirmed complete response or partial response as assessed by blinded data review and based on RECIST v1.1.

Statistical Analyses

- Efficacy analyses will be completed on the full analysis set, which will include all patients who are randomly assigned to a study treatment
 - ORR will be estimated along with the 2-sided 95% CIs
 - Median DOR, PFS, and OS will be summarized using the Kaplan-Meier method
- Safety analyses will be performed on the safety analysis set, which will include all patients who receive ≥1 dose of T-DXd
- Pharmacokinetic (PK) analyses will be performed using the PK analysis set, which will include all patients who receive ≥1 dose of T-DXd and have measurable serum concentrations of T-DXd
 - Serum concentrations of T-DXd, total anti-*HER2* antibody, and MAAA 1181a will be listed and summarized using descriptive statistics at each time point by dose level
- Immunogenicity will be assessed by characterizing the incidence and titer of antidrug antibodies
- Descriptive statistics will be calculated to summarize the change from baseline in symptoms, physical functioning, and general health-related quality-of-life scales at each scheduled assessment time point by dose level

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