# Novel Investigational Agents & Clinical Trials



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# Why do we need better therapies?

# **Goals of therapies in MF/SS**



## Current Clinical Management of CTCL, 2013 www.nccn.org => NHL => MF/SS



\*ECP = photopheresis

\*\* Methotrexate, liposomal doxorubicin, gemcitabine, pentostatin, chlorambucil, etoposide, pralatrexate



# **Approved Systemic Agents in CTCL**

Efficacy data for FDA approval

Agent (Class)		Indication	Year	Study	N	ORR	DOR
Romid (HDAC		Need better therapies More options					15 mo 11 mo
Denile (Fusio	FDA no longer satisfied with ORR, single arm studies in CTCL					4 mo	
Bexar (RXR a	Need to show meaningful response duration and safety to claim overall clinical benefit					5+ mo	
Vorino	R	CTs are stro	ngly re	commende	ed		ĵ+ mo
(HDAC inhibitor)		manifestations	2006	Supportive	33	24%	4 mo



# **Era of targeted therapies** *Huge impact in cutaneous oncology: melanoma (vemurafenib), BCCs (vismodegib)*

- Need understanding of driver targets
- Kill tumor/bad cells but spare good cells
- Target the environment to enhance anti-tumor effects
- Improved technology for increased potency
- Consider combination strategies as appropriate
  - Multiple targets/pathways
  - Complementary targets
  - How to optimize efficacy without additive toxicities

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# **Types of targeted therapies in lymphoma, 2013**

- More and fancier monoclonal antibodies
  - Cell surface molecules
  - Naked mAbs
    - newer engineered, "high-tech" mAbs
  - MAb drug conjugates (ADCs)
  - Radiolabeled mAbs

## Small molecule inhibitors/agonists

Multitude of potential targets/pathways, need disease relevance



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# Pralatrexate with improved tumor selectivity

- Improved anti-folate agent => ↑ cellular uptake/retention, tumor > normal
- High affinity for RFC-1; efficient substrate for polyglutamylation by FPGS
- Antifolate activity via the inhibition of DHFR.



#### Pralatrexate FDA-approved in systemic PTCL, 2009



doi:10.1182/blood-2011-11-390211

#### Identification of an active, well-tolerated dose of pralatrexate in patients with relapsed or refractory cutaneous T-cell lymphoma

Steven M. Horwitz, Youn H. Kim, Francine Foss, Jasmine M. Zain, Patricia L. Myskowski, Mary Jo Lechowicz, David C. Fisher, Andrei R. Shustov, Nancy L. Bartlett, Maria L. Delioukina, Tony Koutsoukos, Michael E. Saunders, Owen A. O'Connor and Madeleine Duvic

Doses <u>&gt;</u> 15 mg/m <sup>2</sup> , 3/4 weeks (IV)	61% ORR
Optimal dose in CTCL, 15 mg/m <sup>2</sup> , 3/4 weeks (IV)	45% ORR
DOR at 6 mo	73%

## Pralatrexate response in MF, stage IIB Good option in MF with LCT



Pretreatment



Partial Response post cycle 3

MD Anderson CC

Pralatrexate response,

#### Pc CD30+ ALCL

Stanford CC





# **Treatment-Related Adverse Events**

	Optimal Dose 15 mg/m <sup>2</sup> N=29			
Event	ALL	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	
Stomatitis	14 (48%)	9 (31%)	5 (17%)	
Fatigue	11 (38%)	10 (34%)	1 (3%)	
Nausea	9 (31%)	9 (31%)	0 (0%)	
Skin toxicity	6 (21%)	4 (14%)	2 (7%)	
Vomiting	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	0 (0%)	
Pyrexia	2 (7%)	2 (7%)	0 (0%)	
Epistaxis	7 (24%)	7 (24%)	0 (0%)	
Edema	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	0	
Anemia	1 (3%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	
Thrombocytopenia	2 (7%)	1 (3%)	1 (3%)	

Horwitz et al Blood 2012; 119: 4115

Combination trials under way to minimize toxicity and assess synergy

# **SHP-141: topical HDAC inhibitor**

- Discovered at Harvard, the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT
- Inhibits HDAC1, 2, 3, & 6 isoforms, similar to vorinostat
- Contains ester bond to promote presystemic metabolism by serum esterases
  - Breaks down to inactive primary metabolites SHP-100 and methylparaben, a common preservative in topical formulations
  - Negligible levels of systemic exposure translates to reduced risk of HDACi class-associated toxicities



# SHP-141: topical HDAC inhibitor

## 55 yo male stage IA MF

#### Right lower abdomen



#### Screening

Day 42

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### **Targeting tumor surface molecules in lymphoma**

Agent	Target	Conjugate/toxin	Disease
Siplizumab	CD2		T-, NK-cell lymphomas
Zanolimumab*	CD4		CTCL/PTCL
Denileukin diftitox**	CD25	Diphtheria toxin	CTCL/PTCL
UCHT1	CD3	Diphtheria toxin	T-cell malignancies
Brentuximab vedotin*	CD30	MMAE	CD30+ lymphoma
Alemtuzumab*	CD52		Hematolymphoid
			malignancy
Rituximab	CD20		CD20+ malignancy
Ofatumumab	CD20		CD20+ malignancy
Inotuzumab ozogamicin	CD22	Calicheamycin	B-cell malignancy
KW-0761*	CCR4		ATL/CTCL/PTCL

\* Clinical studies or off-label use in CTCL

\*\* FDA-approved for CTCL

Ann Oncol 2010;21:683, J Pathol 2010;220:404, 509, Lancet Oncol 2010;11:1074

# Newer generation monoclonal antibodies in cutaneous T-cell lymphoma

- Fully human mAbs
- Engineered mAbs, modified Fc portion to enhance biologic activity
  - Defucosylated anti CCR4 Mab (KW-0761)
- Antibody drug conjugates

- Anti CD30 ADC, brentuximab vedotin (SGN-35)

### Defucosylated humanized anti-CCR4 antibody, KW-0761



# Higher ADCC due to a defucosylated Fc region by POTELLIGENT<sup>®</sup>

Shinkawa et al, J Biol Chem 2003;278:3466 Ishii et al, Clin Cancer Res 2010;16:1520

#### CCR4 (CC chemokine receptor 4)

Highly expressed (> 90%) in ATL Great clinical response in skin/blood

> Ishida et al, Clin Cancer Res 2003;9:3625 Courtesy T. Ishida



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#### ORIGINAL REPORT

#### Defucosylated Anti-CCR4 Monoclonal Antibody (KW-0761) for Relapsed Adult T-Cell Leukemia-Lymphoma: A Multicenter Phase II Study

Takashi Ishida, Tatsuro Joh, Naokuni Uike, Kazuhito Yamamoto, Atae Utsunomiya, Shinichiro Yoshida, Yoshio Saburi, Toshihiro Miyamoto, Shigeki Takemoto, Hitoshi Suzushima, Kunihiro Tsukasaki, Kisato Nosaka, Hiroshi Fujiwara, Kenji Ishitsuka, Hiroshi Inagaki, Michinori Ogura, Shiro Akinaga, Masao Tomonaga, Kensei Tobinai, and Ryuzo Ueda

#### Approved in Japan 2012 for pts with ATL

#### Phase II study in progress in the US- NCT01626664

KW 0761 or Investigator's Choice in Subjects With Previously Treated Adult T-cell Leukemia-Lymphoma (ATL)

# KW-0761, a Monoclonal Antibody Directed against CC Chemokine Receptor type 4 (CCR4), in CTCL patients: Results of a Phase 1/2 Study

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> American Society of Hematology 52nd Annual Meeting December 4–7, 2010

# **Expression of CCR4** Receptor for CC chemokines, MDC, TARC

ALK-negative ALCL

MF/SS

# CCR4 expressed on CTCL and regulatory T cells

Ishida T et al. Clin Cancer Res. 2004;10:7529, Ferenczi K et al. J Invest Dermatol 2002;119:1405 Chang D-K et al. Mol Cancer Ther 2012;11:2451

# **Overall response rate in phase 1/2 study**

		No. of patients			
	ORR	CR	PR	SD	PD
Sezary Syndrome (N=17)	47%	1	7	7	2
Mycosis Fungoides (N=21)	33%	1	6	10	4
TOTAL (N=38)	42%	2	13	17	6

Intravenous administration, weekly x 4, then every 2 wks



# Best Response in SS Patients by Compartment



- 8/17 (47%) of SS patients with global response (ORR)
- 15/17 (88%) of SS patients had response in blood
  9/17 (53%) had CR in blood

# Case Study: Patient 03-Stanford (SS; Stage IVA; 6 Prior Therapies; 0.3 mg/kg)



#### Pretreatment Course 1 Day 1

Post treatment Post Course 11

#### Response in Blood: Patient 01-Stanford (SS; Stage IVA; 6 prior therapies; 0.1 mg/kg) Pre-treatment



### Response in Blood: Patient 01-Stanford Post-treatment



# **KW-0761 (mogamulizumab, anti-CCR4) Clinical Development Summary**

- Clinical responses are most impressive in the skin and blood compartments in ATL and CTCL
- Absence of infections with chronic therapy, no need for antimicrobial prophylaxis (←→ alemtuzumab)

# Phase III RCT in CTCL ongoing for FDA approval in the US

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# **Targeted therapy in CD30+ LPDs**

 CD30, an attractive target, as CD30 expression is limited in normal cells, but increased in proliferative or malignant lymphocytes => good tumor selectivity

# Rationale for Targeting CD30

ALK and CD30 Signaling closely linked



CD30 engagement leads to activation of NFkB pathways and p21 mediated cell cycle arrest and apoptosis

Chiarle 2008

#### A Phase II Study of SGN-30 in Cutaneous Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma and Related Lymphoproliferative Disorders

Madeleine Duvic,<sup>1</sup> Sunil A. Reddy,<sup>2</sup> Lauren Pinter-Brown,<sup>4</sup> Neil J. Korman,<sup>5</sup> John Zic,<sup>6</sup> Dana A. Kennedy,<sup>7</sup> Jennie Lorenz,<sup>7</sup> Eric L. Sievers,<sup>7</sup> and Youn H. Kim<sup>3</sup>

Clin Cancer Res 2009;15:6217-24

Table 2. Best clinical response							
		Total ( <i>N</i> = 23),					
	pc-ALCL ( <i>n</i> = 11), <i>n</i> (%)	LyP (n = 3), n (%)	T-MF (n = 3), n (%)	Multiple (n = 6), n (%)	n (%)		
CR	6 (55%)	1 (33%)	0	3 (50%)	10 (43%)		
PR	3 (27%)	1 (33%)	1 (33%)	1 (17%)	6 (26%)		
CR or PR	9 (82%)	2 (67%)	1 (33%)	4 (67%)	16 (70%)		
SD	2 (18%)	1 (33%)	1 (33%)	0	4 (17%)		
Progressive disease	0	0	1 (33%)	2 (33%)	3 (13%)		

• Very well tolerated, no drug-related SAE or AEs leading to discontinuation
Day 1, Dose #1 SGN-30

CASE Lesion DATE 7/26/05 Lesion # 2 7126105 CASE DATE

#### Day 28, Pre-Dose #2



## Naked anti-CD30 MAbs in CD30+ LPDs

- Naked anti-CD30 mAb well tolerated but variable efficacy
  - High responses in pcALCL/LyP
  - Efficacy in MF minimally explored
  - Disappointing efficacy in HL/sALCL



## Brentuximab Vedotin Mechanism of Action Antibody Drug Conjugate



Monomethyl auristatin E (MMAE), microtubule-disrupting agent Protease-cleavable linker Anti-CD30 monoclonal antibody

ADC binds to CD30 ADC-CD30 complex is internalized and traffics to lysosome MMAE is released MMAE disrupts microtubule network G2/M cell cycle arrest G\_Apoptosis



ASH abstract #797, presented 12/10/2012



## Brentuximab vedotin demonstrates clinical activity in mycosis fungoides / Sézary syndrome

Krathen M<sup>1</sup>, Bashey S<sup>1</sup>, Sutherland K<sup>1</sup>, Sundram U<sup>1</sup>, Nagpal S<sup>1</sup>, Salva K<sup>3</sup>, Wood G<sup>3</sup>, Advani R<sup>1</sup>, Hoppe RH<sup>1</sup>, Reddy S<sup>1</sup>, Pulitzer M<sup>2</sup>, Horwitz S<sup>2</sup>, Kim YH<sup>1</sup>

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## **Brentuximab Vedotin (SGN-35)**

- High response rates in relapsed/refractory HL and sALCL with consistent expression of CD30 on tumor cells
  - Accelerated FDA approval 8/2011
- Variable CD30 expression in neoplastic cells of MF
  - Transformed MF with more frequent and greater CD30 expression, 30-50%
  - Non-transformed MF, 0-15%

Am J Surg Pathol. 2009;33:1860 Clin Cancer Res 2004;10:5587, Blood. 2012;119;1643.

## **Study Design**





## **Patient Characteristics, N=20**

Age (y), median (range)		59.5 (2				
Sex (n)		Men	13			
		Women	7			
Stage (n)		IB	2			
		IIA	0			
		IIB	11			
		III	0	Advanced stage		
		IVA2	4			
		IVB	1			
		SS	2			
Large cell transformation (LCT) / Folliculotropic MF (FMF)		13/20				
		8/20 FMF				
Prior systemic therapies		4 (1-15)				
CD30 baseline.	A: < 10%	7				
% of lymphoid cells (skin, via IHC)	B: 10-50%	1	│			
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## Percent Change in Skin mSWAT At Best Clinical Response



Cycle at Best Response



## Clinical Response by Baseline CD30 Expression

CD30 Expression Group	Response Rate % (n)	CR	PR	SD	PD
Group A (<10%) n=7	71% (5)	0	5	1	1
Group B (10-50%) n=10	70% (7)	0	7	0	3
Group C (>50%) n=2*	100% (2)	1	1	0	0
TOTAL n=19*	74% (14)	1	13	1	4

If > 1 skin biopsy at baseline, maximum CD30% designated grouping \* 1 subject non-evaluable for response

## No Correlation of Clinical Response and CD30 Expression by Routine IHC





## **Clinical Response by Stage**

Stage	Response Rate	CR	PR	SD	PD	
IP(n-2)	4000/					
IB (II=2)	No correlation with response:					
IIB* (n=11)	• Gender (p=0.62)					
	• Age (p=0.44)					
IVA**/B (n=6)	Large cell transformation					
	(p=0.35)					
Total n=19**	<ul> <li>Folliculotropism (p=0.64)</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Baseline soluble CD30 (p=0.90)</li> </ul>					

\*All 11 either LCT or FMF

\*\* 1 subject non-evaluable for response

## 87 yo M with MF IIB, LCT Screening biopsies (L chest plaque and L arm tumor)



## 87 yo M with MF IIB, LCT Screening Cycle 6



## 87 yo M with MF IIB, LCT

## Screening





Subject 12: 66 yo F with MF IVB, LCT w/ oropharyngeal involvement Group B (10-50%): Max CD30 TLI 20% Best Response: PR

## Screening



# Therefore reck 4/17/12

Cycle 10



## Cycle 10



## 78 yo F, IVA1 (SS) Max CD30 TLI 60%: Group C (>50%) PR; mSWAT reduction 81% post 1 cycle



#### Screening

Pre Cycle 2

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# 51 yo F stage IVA2 MF with LCT in skin/LNs: response to brentuximab vedotin





## Common Related Adverse Events; n= 20 (≥20%)

Adverse Event	Rate
Peripheral Neuropathy	75%
Fatigue	60%
Decreased Appetite	30%
Nausea	25%
Alopecia	20%
Dyspepsia	20%
Skin eruption	20%

Mostly grade 1-2

2 pts with CLA+, CCR4+ lymphocytosis

1 death, grade 4 neuropathy

No PML

## **Tissue CD30 expression: key findings**

- Response rate independent of CD30% by routine IHC (FFPE)
- CD30 expression variable even within same patient
- Clinical response observed in subjects w/ nondetectable CD30 via routine IHC
- Question:
  - Can we assess target molecule with improved sensitivity over IHC?

## Multispectral Imaging Analysis (Nuance<sup>™</sup>)





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- Quantitative:
  - Optical Density (OD)
- Multispectral imaging
- Up to 14 channels

*Taylor & Levenson: Quantification of Immunohistochemistry, Histopathology 2006, 49, 411-424.* 

## Baseline

## Cycle 8





#### Subject 1, Screening Bx, Left Chest IHC: TLI 0 Nuance: Avg. OD/cell: 0.042; Avg. Max OD/cell: 0.111









## **Summary and Conclusions**

- Brentuximab vedotin shows significant clinical activity (RR 74%) in refractory and advanced MF/SS
- Encouraging DOR with KM estimates at 6 mo 78% maintaining response & EFS median 31 weeks (range 4-61+)
- Well tolerated with mostly G1/2 AEs

## **Summary and Conclusions**

- No correlation w/ CD30 expression assessed by routine IHC and clinical response
- CD30 target identified in non-detectable tissue samples (routine IHC) via computerized detection software analysis (improved sensitivity)

Phase III RCT in CTCL for approval in US and Europe in progress (Millennium)

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## **Immunotherapy strategies in cancer**



# Induction of long-lasting responses and improving survival with partnering with immune strategies



## Immunotherapy strategies in cutaneous lymphoma



## Immunotherapy strategies in cutaneous lymphoma



## Immune modulation of tumor microenvironment with mAbs



## Modulating microenvironment & immune mechanisms

Agent	Target	Conjugate	Disease
Bevacizumab	VEGF		lymphoma
Endostatin	Endothelial cell		lymphoma
Ipilimumab	CTLA-4		Solid tumor/lymphoma
Lenalidomide	Multiple		Hematologic malignancies
TLR agonists	TLR		lymphoma
Anti-PD-1 mAbs	PD-1		Solid tumor/hematolymph
Anti-PD-L1 mAbs	PD-L1		Solid tumor/hematolymph
IDO inhibitors	IDO+ DCs, tumor		Solid tumor/hematolymph

Renewed interest in immunotherapy

Ann Oncol 2010;21:683, J Pathol 2010;220:404, 509, Lancet Oncol 2010;11:1074

## Programmed Death-1 (PD-1) and ligands B7-H1/PD-L1 and B7-DC/PD-L2: Pivotal role in maintaining immunosuppressive tumor microenvironment



Curr Opin Immunol 2012;24:207

## Immune checkpoint blockades: CTLA-4 vs. PD-1



Topalian et al, Curr Opinion Immunol 2012;24:207
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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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### Safety, of *I*

Suzanne L. Topalian, M.D. David C. Smith, M.D., Davi Jeffrey A. Sosman, M.D., Scott J. Antonia, M.D., Ph.D., L Lieping Chen, M.D., Ph.D., Wil Tracee L. McMiller, M.S., Haiying Daniel McDonald, M.B.A., G

### Safety and Activity of Anti–PD-L1 Antibody in Patients with Advanced Cancer

Julie R. Brahmer, M.D., Scott S. Tykodi, M.D., Ph.D., Laura Q.M. Chow, M.D., Wen-Jen Hwu, M.D., Ph.D., Suzanne L. Topalian, M.D., Patrick Hwu, M.D., Charles G. Drake, M.D., Ph.D., Luis H. Camacho, M.D., M.P.H., John Kauh, M.D., Kunle Odunsi, M.D., Ph.D., Henry C. Pitot, M.D., Omid Hamid, M.D.,
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### N Engl J Med 2012;366:2455-65.

## Expression of PD-1 and PD-L1 in MF skin tissue: Inverse correlation of PD-1 and PD-L1 with disease severity

T1/T2

Т3

T3 + LCT



Am J Dermatopathol 2012:34:126



### TABLE I. PD-1 Expression in CTCL Determined by Immunohistochemistry

### **Anti-PD1/PD-L1 mAbs in clinical development**

 MDX-1105/BMS-936559, MDX-1106/BMS-936558 (Medarex/Bristol-Myers Squibb), MK-3475 (Merck), CT-011 (Cure Tech/Teva), AMP-224 (Amplimmune/GSK)

### Anti-PD-L1 mAb opened for enrollment at Stanford:

- A phase I, open-label, dose-escalation study of the safety and pharmacokinetics of MPDL3280A administered intravenously as a single agent to patients with locally advanced or metastatic solid tumors or <u>hematologic malignancies (Genentech)</u>
- MPDL3280A, a phage-derived human IgG1 mAb
- Targets PD-L1 on APCs or tumor cells, prevents interaction with PD-1 on T-cells

Stage IB MF (h/o phototx, bexarotene, anti-CD4 mAb, forodesine, CpG+RT, lenalidomide, sapacitabine, enzastaurin, TSEBT)

### pre-treatment (11/20/2012)

C8D1 (4/23/2013)



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### **Cellular therapy strategies**

- Adoptive T-cell transfer (autologous)
- Allogeneic HSCT (graft versus lymphoma)
- Combination strategies

## Harnessing the graft-versus-lymphoma effect in allo HSCT as the ultimate cellular immune therapy



Donor Immune System to destroy lymphoma cells

A New Approach in Donor Cell Transplant Non-Myeloablative Regimen with TLI/ATG "Protective conditioning"





### Protective Conditioning for Acute Graft-versus-Host Disease

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TLI/ATG conditioning alters host immune profile to favor regulatory NKT cells that suppress GVHD by polarizing donor T cells toward secretion of noninflammatory cytokines (IL4) and by promoting expansion of donor CD4+CD25+FoxP3+ Treg cells

Does not affect donor CD8+ T-cell cytolytic function and graft antitumor activity

# Phase II study of non-myeloablative allogeneic transplantation using TLI-ATG in MF/SS

### Study Design



- TLI (8 Gy)
- ATG (1.5 mg/kg x 5)
  - **GVHD prophylaxis: CSA, MMF**

**OEfficacy/safety evaluation** 

## Mycosis fungoides, stage IVA w/ LCT in skin/LNs: CRPre-TSEBT2.0+ yr (NED, no GVHD)





# Sezary syndrome, stage IVA w/ LCT in skin/LNs: CRPre-TSEBT1.5+ yr (NED, no GVHD)CD4+/CD26-: 99%, abs 19,780CD4+/CD26-: normalized







### Sezary syndrome, stage IVA w/ LCT in skin/LNs: CR

### **Pre-transplant**



1.5+ yr (NED, no GVHD)

# PFS and OS outcome in Sézary syndrome is better than in mycosis fungoides



### Median follow up: 12 months







Robins et al, Blood 2009;114:4099

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Day+180	154	416,277	0.036	93%
Day+270	0	877,242	0.000	97%
Day+360	0	764,859	0.000	98%
Day+540	0	2,263,923	0.000	97%

### Reconstitution of TCRβ repertoire after non-myeloablative allogeneic HSCT



**Pre-TSEBT** 



Pre-TLI/ATG



am: MP 12/22/09



Day +30



Day +60









3D Histogram: MP 3/12/10

Day +270

Day +360

Day +180

## Allo HSCT with TSEBT+TLI/ATG

### **Clinical benefit demonstrated**

- Novel non-myeloablative preparatory regimen of TSEBT-TLI/ATG was successful with meaningful outcome
  - 14/17 (82%) CR, 12 mo PFS, OS rates of 73%, 84%
  - SS better outcome than MF (PFS, *p=0,009*; OS, *p=0.074*)
- Well-tolerated with TRM 1/17 (6%, 1 death at ~2 yrs due to cGVHD) pts, sig aGVHD 2\*/17, 0% 100-day nonrelapse mortality

May support value of earlier transplant w/ TSEBT-TLI/ATG

### Immunotherapy strategies in cutaneous lymphoma





## Novel Agents & Clinical Trials in CTCL: Take home summary

- New/improved technology allowing us to learn more, help identify ideal targets, and modify/render agents more effective/safe
- New therapies in CTCL are actively in clinical development
- Should further delineate actionable targets and better understand the role of the microenvironment and immune modulation partners
- Optimal clinical trial design should consider demonstrating meaningful benefit (objective and QoL elements) and incorporate appropriate correlative science to maximize discovery (mechanisms, dynamics, biomarkers, resistance) and help investigators optimize the design of the pivotal trial
- Best therapies/targets will be from exploring/appreciating the complexity of MF - SS and offer/allow personalized strategy



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