Interim Safety Analysis of a Phase 2 Randomized Study of Daratumumab (Dara), Lenalidomide (R), Bortezomib (V), and Dexamethasone (d; Dara-RVd) vs. RVd in Patients (Pts) with Newly Diagnosed Multiple Myeloma (MM) Eligible for High-Dose Therapy (HDT) and Autologous Stem Cell Transplantation (ASCT) (GRIFFIN)

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# INTRODUCTION

- ◆ Daratumumab is the first CD38-directed human monoclonal antibody to target tumor cells and promote an anti-tumor immune response¹
- ◆ Daratumumab, in combination with a proteasome inhibitor (PI) or an immunomodulatory agent, delivers an unprecedented progression-free survival (PFS) benefit and rapid, deep, and durable responses in relapsed or refractory MM²
- ♦ RVd followed by HDT, ASCT and consolidation therapy has shown high response rates in previously untreated MM³
- ◆ Attainment of stringent complete response (sCR) correlates with improved long-term outcomes after ASCT for MM⁴
- The primary objective of this study is to determine if the addition of daratumumab to RVd will increase the sCR rate by the end of post-ASCT consolidation therapy

# METHODS

### Study Design

- ◆ Griffin (NCT02874742) is an ongoing multicenter, randomized, open-label, active comparator-controlled study conducted in the United States
- ♦ Safety Run-in Phase (N=16)
- Performed in 16 pts treated with Dara-RVd in order to assess potential dose limiting toxicities (DLTs) during Cycle 1 (Figure 1)
- One interim safety analysis was performed as planned for the safety run-in subjects after treated for at least 4 cycles or discontinued study participation
- ♦ Randomized Phase 2 Study
- Following successful completion of the safety run-in phase, approximately 200 patients will be randomized 1:1 to Dara-RVd or RVd, followed by HDT, ASCT, consolidation therapy with Dara-RVd or RVd, and maintenance therapy with Dara-Rd or Rd

### Table 1. Patient Eligibility Criteria **Exclusion Criteria** Inclusion Criteria History of meningeal or central nervous system ♦ Age 18-70 years involvement by MM or plasma cell leukemia → Documented MM per IMWG 2015 criteria → Diagnosis or treatment for malignancy other than MM Eligible for HDT and ASCT ◆ COPD with FEV1<50% of predicted normal</p> ♦ ECOG performance score of 0-2 ♦ Moderate or severe persistent asthma within past 2 years Adequate organ function Clinically significant cardiac disease No prior systemic therapy for MM Pregnant or breastfeeding Measurable disease ♦ Seropositive for HIV Hepatitis B (surface antigen positive) → Hepatitis C with detectable virus ♦ Allergies, hypersensitivity, or intolerance to monoclonal IMWG, international myeloma working group; ECOG, eastern cooperative oncology group; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; FEV1, forced expiratory volume in 1 second; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus.

- ♦ DLTs were defined as reported adverse experiences of:
- Grade 4 neutropenia lasting >7 days
- Grade 4 thrombocytopenia lasting >7 days despite transfusion support Grade 3 or higher non-hematological toxicity, except:
- Grade 3 nausea, vomiting or diarrhea that can be controlled within 48 hours with maximal supportive care
- Grade 3 hyperglycemia that can be controlled within 48 hours with supportive care
  Asymptomatic Grade 3 or higher electrolyte disturbances that can be controlled with repletion within 24 hours
- Grade 3 maculopapular rash attributable to lenalidomide
- Infusion reactions (IRs):
- Any **Grade 4 IR** occurring within 48 hours of infusion of daratumumab
- Any **Grade 3 IR** occurring within 48 hours of infusion of daratumumab that does not resolve with a reduced infusion rate or temporarily stopping the infusion, as well as administration of supportive care and symptomatic therapy such as a steroid and an antihistamine
- ◆ A Data Review Committee (DRC) was established to review safety data after 8, 12, and 16 subjects in the safety run-in phase completed Cycle 1, and to determine if the study should proceed to the randomized phase 2 portion or stop (Table 2)

# Table 2. Safety Run-in Stopping Criteria: Number of Total DLTs to Stop Study Number of Subjects (in complete cohorts of 4) 8 12 16 Number of Toxicities Number of Toxicities ≥5 ≥6 ≥6 ≥8

# RESULTS

↑ 16 patients were enrolled in the safety run-in, and all patients had completed at least
 4 cycles of Dara-RVd as of the clinical cutoff date of 5 July 2017 (Table 3)

	N=16
<b>Age</b> , median (range), years	62.5 (46-65)
Male, n (%)	8 (50)
SS, n (%)	
Stage I	12 (75)
Stage II	2 (13)
Stage III	2 (13)
COG performance status, n (%)	
0	3 (19)
1	10 (63)
2	3 (19)

### Safety Analysis

- Among 16 treated patients, 3 patients experienced adverse events that met sponsor pre-defined DLT criteria during Cycle 1. All DLTs resolved and none of these events were determined by the investigator to require treatment discontinuation.
- Grade 3 fatigue on Day 15
- Grade 3 gastroenteritis on Day 21
- Grade 3 pneumonitis (due to infection) and Grade 3 hypotension on Day 5
- → The DRC recommended the study proceed to the randomized phase 2 stage
- ↑ 100% of patients experienced at least 1 treatment emergent adverse event (TEAE)
   (Table 4) and 8 (50%) of patients experienced Grade 3-4 TEAEs (Table 5)
- ◆ 3 (19%) patients experienced serious adverse events (SAEs) that included 2 (13%) SAEs (gastroenteritis and pneumonitis) related to daratumumab according to investigator's assessment

	N=16
At least 1 treatment emergent adverse event (TEAE), n (%)	16 (100)
Related to daratumumab	14 (88)
Most Common TEAEs (all grades) occurring in ≥20% of patients, n (%)	
Neutropenia	8 (50)
Lymphopenia	7 (44)
Thrombocytopenia	7 (44)
Fatigue	6 (38)
Oedema peripheral	6 (38)
Anemia	5 (31)
Constipation	5 (31)
Leukopenia	4 (25)
Hypoalbuminemia	4 (25)
Hypocalcemia	4 (25)
Insomnia	4 (25)

	N=16
rade 3-4 TEAEs, n (%)	8 (50)
Related to daratumumab	6 (38)
Grade 3-4 TEAEs occurring in ≥10% of patients, n (%)	
Neutropenia	3 (19)
Thrombocytopenia	3 (19)
Lymphopenia	2 (13)
Leukopenia	2 (13)

- → 5 (31%) patients experienced grade ≤2 infusion reactions (Table 6)
- ◆ Six (38%) patients experienced infections, including 1 patient with a Grade 3 SAE of gastroenteritis. There were no events of febrile neutropenia.
- → Two (12.5%) patients experienced grade 1 peripheral neuropathy
- ♦ Six (38%) patients had dose delay due to adverse event
- ◆ Dose of the following medications was adjusted due to AE: bortezomib (3 patients), dexamethasone (2 patients), daratumumab and lenalidomide (1 patient each)
- ♦ There were no deaths, and no patients discontinued treatment due to TEAEs
- ♦ All 16 patients have undergone mobilization as of the clinical cutoff date with a median stem cell yield of 6.05 (range 3.5-10.6) x10<sup>6</sup> CD34+ cells/kg
- ♦ All 16 patients in the safety run-in phase continue to be on study treatment

# CONCLUSIONS

- Daratumumab, in combination with RVd, was well tolerated, with clinically manageable side effects consistent with the known toxicities of RVd and the known adverse event profile of daratumumab
- No new safety signals were identified with the addition of Dara to RVd during the first 4 cycles of Dara-RVd in 16 safety run-in patients with newly diagnosed MM
- All 16 patients in the safety run-in have undergone successful stem cell mobilization
- ◆ The first 4 cycles of the safety run-in phase were completed, and all
   16 patients continue on therapy
- ◆ Enrollment to the randomized phase 2 study is ongoing, with 106 patients randomized as of 8 November 2017

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