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Daratumumab, Lenalidomide, and Dexamethasone (DRd) Versus Lenalidomide and Dexamethasone (Rd) in Relapsed or Refractory Multiple Myeloma (RRMM): Updated Efficacy and Safety Analysis of POLLUX^{*}

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Background



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Daratumumab

Human IgGκ monoclonal antibody targeting CD38 with a direct on-tumor and immunomodulatory MoA¹⁰

Approved

- As **monotherapy** in many countries for heavily pretreated RRMM
- In combination with standard of care regimens in RRMM after ≥1 prior therapy in many countries

Efficacy

 Daratumumab induces rapid, deep, and durable responses in combination with a PI (bortezomib) or an IMiD (lenalidomide) in RRMM^{11,12}

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American Society of Hematology CDC, complement-dependent cytotoxicity; ADCC, antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity; ADCP, antibodydependent cellular phagocytosis; NK, natural killer; Ig, immunoglobulin; MoA, mechanism of action; RRMM, relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma; PI, proteasome inhibitor; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug.

POLLUX Study Design

Open-label, multicenter, randomized (1:1), active-controlled, phase 3 study





ISS. International Staging System; DRd, daratumumab/lenalidomide/dexamethasone; IV, intravenous; PO, oral; PD, progressive disease; Rd, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; PFS, progression-free survival; OS, overall survival; ORR, overall response rate; VGPR, very good partial response; CR, complete response; MRD, minimal residual disease.



Prior lenalidomide

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^aOn daratumumab dosing days, dexamethasone 20 mg was administered on the day of the infusion and 20 mg was administered the day after the infusion.

Baseline Characteristics (ITT)



Characteristic	DRd (n = 286)	Rd (n = 283)	Characteristic	DRd (n = 286)	Rd (n = 283)
Age, y Median (range) ≥75, %	65 (34-89) 10	65 (42-87) 12	Prior lines of therapy, % Median (range) 1	1 (1-11) 52 30	1 (1-8) 52 28
ISS, % ^a I II	48 33	50 30	2 3 >3	30 13 5	13 7
III	20	20	Prior ASCT, %	63	64
Median (range) time from diagnosis, y	3.48 (0.4-27.0)	3.95 (0.4-21.7)	Prior PI, %	86	86
Creatinine clearance (mL/min), % N >30-60 >60	279 28 71	281 23 77	Prior IMiD, % Prior lenalidomide, %	55 18	55 18
			Prior PI + IMiD, %	44	44
Cytogenetic profile, % ^b N Standard risk High risk	161 83 17	150 75 25	Refractory to bortezomib, %	21	21
			Refractory to last line of therapy, %	28	27

ITT, intent-to-treat; ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant.



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 ^{a}ISS stage was derived based on the combination of serum $\beta2\text{-microglobulin}$ and albumin.

^bCentralized analysis using next-generation sequencing. Patients with high risk had t(4;14), t(14;16), or del17p abnormalities.



Median follow-up: 32.9 months (range, 0 - 40.0 months) •



56% reduction in risk of progression/death for DRd versus Rd



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HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval. ^aExploratory analyses based on clinical cut-off date of October 23, 2017. ^bKaplan-Meier estimate.



ORR and MRD-negative Rates^a

• Median follow-up: 32.9 months (range, 0 - 40.0 months)



Responses continued to deepen in the DRd group
Significantly higher (>3-fold) MRD-negative rates for DRd versus Rd



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sCR, stringent complete response; PR, partial response. Primary analysis reported in Dimopoulos MA, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2016;375(14):1319-1331. ^aExploratory analyses based on clinical cutoff date of October 23, 2017; ^b*P* <0.0001 for DRd versus Rd.



PFS by Depth of Response



Deeper responses were more common on DRd and were associated with longer PFS
MRD negativity was associated with longer PFS

Time to MRD Negativity (10⁻⁵)



MRD negativity occurs more rapidly with DRd and increases over time





More than half of DRd patients have not yet started subsequent therapy



PFS With Subsequent Line of Therapy (PFS2)



DRd does not negatively impact outcomes of subsequent therapy



American Society of Hematology ^aKaplan-Meier estimate.

Overview of Safety Profile

	All grades (≥25%)ª		Grade 3/4 (≥5%)ª	
TEAE, %	DRd (n = 283)	Rd (n = 281)	DRd (n = 283)	Rd (n = 281)
Hematologic Neutropenia Febrile neutropenia Anemia Thrombocytopenia Lymphopenia	62 6 38 29 7	47 3 41 31 6	54 6 16 14 6	41 3 22 16 4
Nonhematologic Diarrhea Upper respiratory tract infection Viral upper respiratory tract infection Fatigue Cough Constipation Muscle spasms Nausea Pneumonia	56 41 31 38 34 31 29 27 24	34 27 19 31 15 27 21 18 16	7 1 0 6 0.4 1 1 2 14	4 1 0 4 0.7 1 0.7 10



- Median duration of treatment: 30.4 months for DRd versus 16.0 months for Rd
- Discontinuations due to TEAEs were similar (13% in both arms)
- Rate of grade 3/4 infections: 39% for DRd versus 26% for Rd
- No differences in rates of SPMs between treatment groups (7% of patients in both groups)
 - Most common SPM in both arms was cutaneous, noninvasive SCC (2% each)

Safety profile remains unchanged with longer follow-up



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TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; SPM, secondary primary malignancy; SCC, squamous cell carcinoma. ^aCommon TEAEs listed are either ≥25% all grade OR ≥5% grade 3/4.

Conclusions

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- DRd continues to significantly improve PFS with longer follow-up
- DRd induces deep and durable responses
- More patients receiving DRd achieved MRD negativity versus Rd
- MRD negativity occurs more rapidly with DRd and increases over time
- DRd does not negatively impact outcomes of subsequent therapy
- Safety profile remains unchanged with longer follow-up

Updated findings continue to support the use of DRd in patients with RRMM



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