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OCEAN: a randomized Phase III study of melflufen + dexamethasone to treat relapsed refractory multiple myeloma



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Objectives/rationale



Primary objective - Arm A (experimental):

Compare PFS of patients in the experimental arm (melflufen* + dexamethasone) with those in the control arm (pomalidomide + dexamethasone)



Secondary objectives - Arm B (control):

Compare the ORR, DOR, OS and safety between the experimental arm (melflufen* + dexamethasone) and the control arm (pomalidomide + dexamethasone)

Glossary

*International Non-proprietary Name (INN): melphalan flufenamide

AE: Adverse event; CT: Computed tomography; DOR: Duration of response; MM: Multiple myeloma; M-protein: Monoclonal protein; ORR: Overall response rate; OS: Overall survival; PFS: Progression-free survival; PI: Proteasome inhibitor; RRMM: Relapsed refractory multiple myeloma.

Study design and treatment



Arm A (experimental):

40 mg melflufen* intravenously on Day 1 of each 28-day cycle and 40 mg dexamethasone orally on days 1, 8, 15 and 22 of each cycle



Arm B (control):

4 mg pomalidomide capsules orally on days 1–21 of each 28-day cycle and 40 mg dexamethasone orally on days 1, 8, 15 and 22 of each cycle



Planned sample size:

450 patients from ~140 sites



21 countries



Planned study period:

12 June 2017 to Q1 2022 (estimated completion)



Efficacy

Efficacy assessments:

M-protein assessment, skeletal X-rays and/or CT scan of bones, bone marrow aspirate, imaging procedures of known or suspected extramedullary plasmacytomas and calcium assessment

Key eligibility criteria

Adult patients with RRMM refractory to both lenalidomide and last line of treatment



Must have received 2–4 lines of treatment (including lenalidomide and a PI)

Must not have received pomalidomide prior to study, be primary refractory, have select co-morbid conditions or have residual side effects from prior therapy > grade 1



Outcome measures/endpoints



Primary endpoints

- PFS



Secondary endpoints

- ORR
- DOR
- OS
- Safety



Safety assessments:

AEs, physical assessments (vital signs, neurological assessment and performance status assessment), routine safety laboratory tests, chest X-rays, hepatitis B screens, pregnancy testing and electrocardiograms