

# Results from an Ongoing Phase 1 Study Indicate ADCT-301 (Camidanlumab Tesirine) Is Well Tolerated in Patients with Relapsed or Refractory CD25-Positive Acute Leukemia

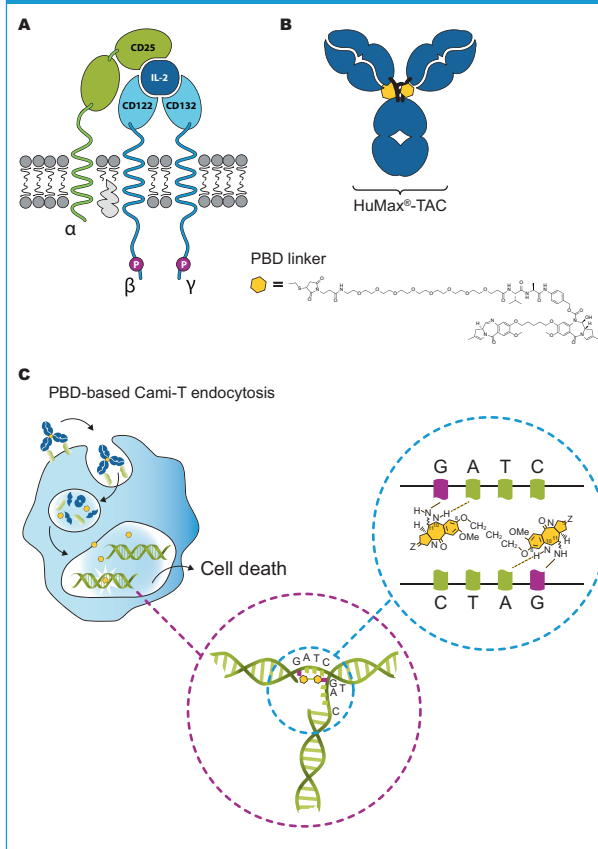
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## INTRODUCTION

- There is a significant need for improved therapeutics for patients with acute myeloid leukemia (AML) and acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL).
- Cell surface expression of CD25 (IL-2R,  $\alpha$ -chain; **Figure 1A**) on AML and ALL blast cells is associated with adverse outcomes, including induction failure, relapse, and shorter overall survival.<sup>1,2,3</sup>
- ADCT-301 (camidanlumab tesirine [Cami-T]) is an antibody drug conjugate composed of a human CD25-targeting monoclonal antibody conjugated to tesirine, a pyrrolobenzodiazepine (PBD) dimer cytotoxin (**Figure 1B**).
- Cami-T has demonstrated anti-tumor efficacy in mouse xenograft models of CD25-expressing hematologic malignancies.<sup>4</sup>
  - The mode of action of Cami-T is presented in **Figure 1C**.
- Here, we present interim data from a Phase 1 study of Cami-T treatment in patients with relapsed or refractory (R/R) CD25-positive (CD25+) acute leukemia.

**Figure 1.** Schematic Representation and Mechanism of Action of Cami-T



**A.** The IL-2 receptor is a heterotrimeric receptor composed of alpha ( $\alpha$ : CD25), beta ( $\beta$ ), and gamma ( $\gamma$ ) chains. **B.** Camidanlumab tesirine (Cami-T) comprises HuMax<sup>®</sup>-TAC, a human IgG1 anti-CD25 antibody, stochastically conjugated via a cathepsin-cleavable valine-alanine linker to a PBD warhead to allow targeted PBD delivery to CD25+ B- and T-cells. **C.** The PBD-conjugated ADC binds to the CD25 antigen on the tumor cell. Upon binding, the ADC is internalized and releases PBD dimers after the protease-sensitive linker is cleaved in the lysosomes. The released PBD molecules migrate into the nucleus and sequence-selectively bind to the DNA minor groove forming interstrand cross-links that block tumor cell division and, hence, directly kill the cell.  
ADC, antibody drug conjugate; PBD, pyrrolobenzodiazepine, HuMax<sup>®</sup>-TAC, anti-CD25 human monoclonal antibody.

## OBJECTIVES

### Primary objectives

- Part 1: Evaluate the safety and tolerability, and define a maximum tolerated dose (MTD) of Cami-T to recommend for part 2.
- Part 2: Evaluate the safety and tolerability of Cami-T at the dose level recommended in part 1.

### Secondary objectives

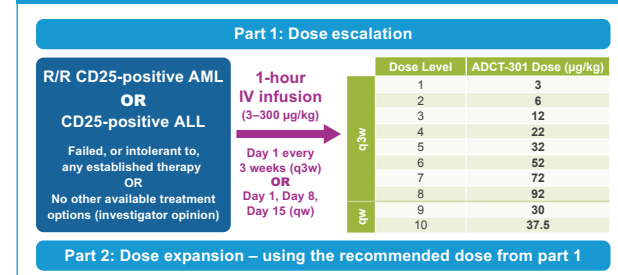
- Evaluate the clinical activity of Cami-T as measured by overall response rate, duration of response, progression-free survival, and overall survival.
- Characterize the pharmacokinetic (PK) profile of Cami-T.
- Evaluate anti-drug antibodies in blood before, during, and after Cami-T treatment.

## METHODS

### Study design

- Phase 1, open-label, multicenter dose-escalation (part 1) and dose-expansion (part 2) study in patients with R/R CD25+ AML or ALL.
- Patients receive Cami-T as an intravenous (IV) infusion with a starting dose cohort at 3  $\mu$ g/kg every 3 weeks (q3w) (**Figure 2**).

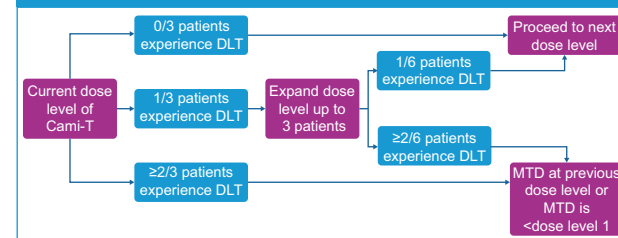
**Figure 2.** Phase 1 Study Design



ADCT-301, camidanlumab tesirine; ALL, acute lymphoblastic leukemia; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; IV, intravenous; q3w, every 3 weeks; qw, once weekly; R/R, relapsed or refractory.

- In part 1, patients are assigned to treatment using a 3+3 dose-escalation design (**Figure 3**), based on assessment of dose-limiting toxicities (DLTs) during Cycle 1, to determine the MTD.
  - Dose frequency in subsequent cohorts may increase to once weekly (qw) based on emerging safety, efficacy, and PK profile.

**Figure 3.** Schematic Representation for Dose Escalation (3+3)



Cami-T, camidanlumab tesirine; DLT, dose-limiting toxicity; MTD, maximum tolerated dose.

- Part 2 will further evaluate safety, tolerability, PK, and clinical activity at the dose recommended from part 1.
- Key inclusion and exclusion criteria are presented in **Table 1**.

**Table 1.** Key Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Age 18 years or older</li> <li>Pathologically confirmed relapsed or refractory CD25-positive<sup>a</sup> AML or ALL</li> <li>Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status 0 to 2</li> <li>WBC count &lt;15,000 cells/<math>\mu</math>L prior to Cycle 1, Day 1. Patients with WBC <math>\geq</math>15,000 cells/<math>\mu</math>L could receive hydroxyurea to lower WBC count.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Active graft-versus-host disease</li> <li>Known active central nervous system leukemia</li> <li>Known history of positive serum human anti-drug antibody, or known allergy to any component of Cami-T</li> <li>Active autoimmune disease</li> <li>Major surgery, chemotherapy, systemic therapy, or radiotherapy within 14 days prior to Day 1 treatment</li> <li>Autologous or allogeneic transplant within the 60 days prior to screening</li> </ul>

<sup>a</sup>CD25-positive AML or ALL is defined as CD25 expression on  $\geq$ 5% of leukemic cells within bone marrow aspirate or biopsy.  
ALL, acute lymphoblastic leukemia; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; Cami-T, camidanlumab tesirine; WBC, white blood cell.

## RESULTS

### Patient characteristics

- As of October 31, 2017, 33 patients have been treated with Cami-T.
- Baseline characteristics and demographic data of enrolled patients are shown in **Table 2**.
  - Baseline CD25 expression was present in 5% to 100% of local blast cells.

**Table 2.** Patient Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

Patient Characteristic	Total (N=33)
Gender, n (%)	
Female	10 (30.3)
Male	23 (69.7)
Age, years	
Mean (SD)	64.6 (14.6)
Median (min, max)	67.0 (22, 82)
Race, n (%)	
White	31 (93.9)
Black or African American	0
Asian	1 (3.0)
Missing	1 (3.0)
Diagnosis, n	
AML	32
ALL	1
Number of previous chemotherapies	
Mean (SD)	3.1 (2.1)
Median (Min, Max)	3.0 (1.0, 9.0)
Stem cell transplantation, n (%)	
Yes	6 (18.2)
No	27 (81.8)
Total number of cycles dosed	
Mean (SD)	2.0 (1.2)
Median (min, max)	2.0 (1.0, 7.0)

<sup>a</sup>n=32.

AML, acute myeloid leukemia; ALL, acute lymphoblastic leukemia; SD, standard deviation.

### Cami-T safety

- No DLTs were observed up to the highest evaluated q3w dose of 92  $\mu$ g/kg.
- Upon switching to weekly dosing, one DLT (maculopapular rash) was reported in the 30  $\mu$ g/kg dose group.
- During exposure, a total of 391 treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) were reported in 31/33 (94%) patients.
  - Most common TEAEs were fatigue (n=10) and nausea (n=8) followed by febrile neutropenia and pneumonia (both n=7).

**Table 3.** Summary of Grade  $\geq$ 3 Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs)

	Dose Escalation										Total N=33 (%)
	q3w								qw		
	3 $\mu$ g/kg N=4	6 $\mu$ g/kg N=3	12 $\mu$ g/kg N=3	22 $\mu$ g/kg N=3	32 $\mu$ g/kg N=3	52 $\mu$ g/kg N=3	72 $\mu$ g/kg N=3	92 $\mu$ g/kg N=4	30 $\mu$ g/kg N=6	37.5 $\mu$ g/kg N=1	
Any TEAE for Grade $\geq$ 3	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	6	0	27 (81.8)
Febrile neutropenia	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	7 (21.2)
Thrombocytopenia	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	5 (15.2)
Fatigue	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	4 (12.1)
Neutrophil count decreased	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	4 (12.1)
Pneumonia	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	4 (12.1)

- A summary of Grade  $\geq$ 3 TEAEs that occurred in  $\geq$ 10% patients are presented in **Table 3**.

- Grade  $\geq$ 3 TEAEs were reported by 27/33 (81.8%) patients
- Eight deaths from TEAEs were recorded (disease progression and AML [both n=3], and cardiac arrest and pneumonia [both n=1])
- One case each of increased QTc and palpitations was evaluated to be infusion-related by the investigator
- Four patients experienced TEAEs leading to a dose delay or reduction (2 cases of skin rash, 1 case each of pericarditis and supraventricular tachycardia)
- Three patients discontinued treatment due to Grade 2 and 3 skin rash (1 and 2 cases, respectively) and 1 patient due to Grade 3 gamma-glutamyltransferase increase.

- In 6 patients who underwent prior allogeneic stem cell transplantation, no cases of graft-versus-host disease were observed.
- In a separate study of Cami-T in patients with Hodgkin lymphoma, there have been 2 reports of Guillain-Barré syndrome and 1 report of polyradiculopathy.
  - To date, no such cases have been observed in patients with leukemia treated with Cami-T.

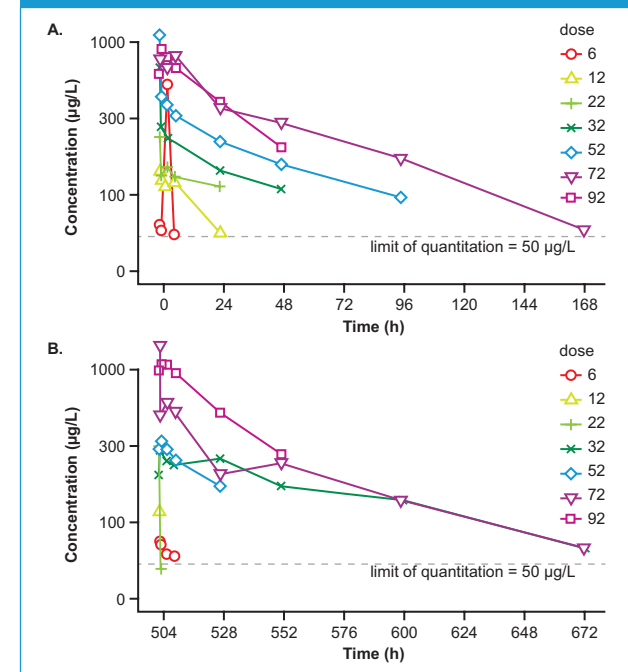
### Cami-T efficacy

- One patient had complete response with incomplete blood count recovery.
- Transient CD25+ blast clearance in 2 patients who received 2 and 7 cycles, respectively, of Cami-T 32  $\mu$ g/kg q3w, was observed, supporting on-target activity of Cami-T.
  - One patient had 6.25% CD25+ blasts in the marrow prior to Cycle 1, which was reduced to 0% after 2 cycles of Cami-T, despite overall disease progression
  - A second patient had 10% CD25+ blasts in the marrow prior to Cycle 1, which was reduced to 0% after 2 cycles, with a total marrow blast count of 5%. CD25+ blasts remained at 0% until after cycle 7 when the patient had disease progression with CD25+ blasts.

### PK data

- PK data show increasing concentrations of PBD-conjugated antibody with dose (**Figure 4**).
- No drug accumulation is apparent with a q3w regimen.
- Rapid systemic clearance of the drug with levels below limit of quantitation suggests that q3w dosing may be insufficient for therapeutic efficacy.

**Figure 4.** Cami-T PBD-Conjugated Antibody Exposure versus Time Following q3w Dosing (n=19) (A) Cycle 1; (B) Cycle 2



## CONCLUSIONS

- In this ongoing Phase 1 study in patients with CD25+ R/R AML or ALL, single-agent Cami-T has shown an acceptable safety profile thus far.
- The study is continuing to explore the safety profile of weekly dosing.

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