Phase I Study of Safety and Pharmacokinetics of GDC-0917, an Antagonist of Inhibitor of Apoptosis Proteins in Patients with Refractory Solid Tumors or Lymphoma

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## IAP antagonists promote cell death through both intrinsic and extrinsic pathways



Varfolomeev et al. Cell 2007; Vince et al. Cell 2007; Petersen et al. Cancer Cell 2007; Gaither et al. Cancer Res. 2007.

#### IAP selective antagonist: GDC-0917

- GDC-0917, a Smac mimetic, binds to the same sites on the IAP proteins as the IAP protein-interaction motifs of Smac and caspase-9
- GDC-0917 binding *in vitro* induces apoptosis via caspase-3 and -7 activation in several types of cancer cell lines
- Up-regulates the expression of several cytokines and chemokines, including TNFα *in vitro* and *in vivo*
- Induces auto-ubiquitination and rapid proteasomal degradation of cIAP1



#### GDC-0917 Phase I study design

- Phase I, dose-escalation study using a modified continual reassessment method (mCRM) design in patients with refractory solid tumors or lymphoma
- Endpoints:
  - Primary: Dose-limiting toxicities (DLT, assessed D1-24), adverse events (AEs), and pharmacokinetics (PK)
  - Secondary/exploratory: clinical activity (RECIST v.1.1); pharmacodynamics (PD; cIAP1 and MCP1 to assess pathway modulation in surrogate and tumor tissues)
- Study dosing: GDC-0917 oral, daily dosing 14 days on and 7 days off, 21-day cycle. Treatment until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.



# Patient demographics and baseline characteristics

(N=42 patients)	All patients, N (%)			
Age in years , median (range)	61 (36-86)			
Sex Female Male	20 (48) 22 (52)			
ECOG status 0 1	21 (50) 21 (50)			
Primary tumor type Breast Colorectal Prostate Small cell lung Ovarian Other	10 (24) 10 (24) 6 (14) 4 (10) 2 (5) 10 (24)			
Metastatic sites, median (range)	2 (0-4)			
Prior treatments, median (range) Surgery Chemotherapy Hormonal Radiotherapy Biologic	3 (1-7) 3 (1-9) 3 (1-5) 2 (1-5) 2 (1-5)			

#### Treatment exposure and disposition

(N=42 patients)	All patients, N (%)
Total treated	42 (100)
Extent of exposure to GDC-0917, median cycles (range)	2 (1-15)
Reason for study discontinuation Disease progression Adverse event Physician decision Death* Patient decision	28 (67) 7 (17) 3 (7) 2 (5) 2 (5)

Dose	5	10	20	40	60	90	135	200	300	450	600
Level	mg	mg	mg	mg	mg						
No. PTs	3	3	3	2	5	3	4	3	6	7	3

\*Two patients with breast cancer (5 and 135 mg dose levels, respectively) died of Disease Progression during the 30-day safety follow-up; 1 patient with SCLC (90 mg dose level) died while on study treatment due to Grade 5 pneumonia (reported as discontinued from study due to AE).

#### Safety summary

Safety Events	Description	
DLTs	Grade 3 fatigue (1 pt, 450 mg dose level)	
Most frequent GDC-0917- related AEs (in > 10% of pts)	<ul> <li>Fatigue: n=9 (1 Grade 3 [DLT], 4 Grade 2, 4 Grade 1)</li> <li>Nausea: n=9 (2 Grade 2, 7 Grade 1)</li> <li>Rash: n=6 (1 Grade 3, 1 Grade 2, 4 Grade 1)</li> <li>Vomiting: n=6 (6 Grade 1)</li> </ul>	
Grade $\geq$ 3 GDC-0917-related AEs	ALT increase and AST increase (2 pts each), and anemia, fatigue, neutropenia, pruritus, pyrexia, and rash (1 pt each)	
GDC-0917-related AEs leading to discontinuation	<ul> <li>N=6 AEs in 5 pts (12%)</li> <li>Grade 2 ECG QT prolongation (1 pt)</li> <li>Grade 2 drug hypersensitivity (1 pt)</li> <li>Grade 2 pneumonitis (1 pt)</li> <li>Grade 3 fatigue (1 pt)</li> <li>Grade 3 pruritus and Grade 2 rash (same pt)</li> </ul>	
SAEs	N=14 SAEs in10 pts (24%) None reported as related to GDC-0917	
Deaths	n=3: 2 patient due to breast cancer progression; 1 pt due to pneumonia	

Note: No Bell's palsy was reported

#### GDC-0917 pharmacokinetics

- GDC-0917 peak concentrations T<sub>max</sub>: 2–3h post dosing
- Mean plasma elimination t<sub>1/2</sub>: 4–8h
- Dose-proportional exposure with no apparent accumulation at steady state







### GDC-0917 pharmacodynamics

- Rapid down modulation of cIAP1 in PMBCs at all dose levels
- Decreased cIAP1 (2 pts, at 40 and 200 mg) and increased activated caspase-3 and cPARP (1 pt at 200 mg) in tumor biopsies\*
- GDC-0917 dosed at 60 mg or higher resulted in a 40-70% increase in plasma MCP1 nine hours after a single dose\*
- No changes were observed in other cytokines evaluated\*



\*Genentech data on file

### Preliminary signs of efficacy

- Two patients (4.8%) had unconfirmed complete response (uCR)
  - 1. MALT lymphoma (300 mg): PET CR end of Cycle 5 (off study after 5 Cycles per patient's choice)
  - Ovarian cancer (450 mg): CR end of Cycle 2 (off study after 2 Cycles due to AE), continued follow-up showed sustained CR with most recent scan in Feb 2013





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- One patient (carcinoma of unknown primary, 40 mg) had a mixed response after 2 cycles (reduction in extra-hepatic lesions; increased and new hepatic lesions, off study after 2 Cycles due to PD)
- Four patients (9.5%) had stable disease for ≥ 3 months; including 1 patient on study for > 10 months

Responses were based on investigators assessment

#### Summary and overall conclusions

- GDC-0917 had a favorable safety and PK profile in patients with advanced malignancies
- MTD was not determined, although ED90 based on preclinical xenograft studies was reached
- Pharmacodynamic modulation was observed
- Antitumor activity was observed in some patients
- These encouraging results support further clinical evaluation of GDC-0917

#### Thank you to the many patients for their participation in this trial

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