2023 Multiple Myeloma updates: from bench to bedside

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CAR T cells and bispecific antibodies in MM: how to tailor immunotherapy?

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CAR-T Immunotherapy: The most popular CAR-T Targets



data from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)

BCMA targeting CAR T cells

	Approv	proved CARs Pha		e 3 Academic		Alternative construct	Short manu	Allo-CAR	
	lde-cel KarMMa ¹ (n = 196)	Cilta-cel CARTITUDE-1 ² (n = 97)	lde-cel KarMMa-3 ³ (n = 254)	Cilta-cel CARTITUDE-4 ⁴ (n =208)	ARI0002h ⁵ (n = 30)	CART- ddBCMA ⁶ (n = 31)	FasT CAR-T GC012F ⁷ (n=29)	PHE885 ⁸ (n= 50)	ALLO-715 UNIVERSAL ⁹ (n = 43)
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Target	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA/CD19	GPRC5D	BCMA
scFv	Chimeric mouse	Chimeric llama	Chimeric mouse	Chimeric llama	Humanized	Synthetic protein	Not specified	Human	Human
Co-stim	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	NA	4-1BB	4-1BB
Specificity	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Allogenic
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Ide-cel approval: the KarMMa trial

Second generation CAR-T cell, anti-BCMA murine scFv, 4-1BB costimulatory domain





	Ide-Cel-Treated (N=128)					
AE," N (%)	Any Grade	Grade ≥3				
Hematologic						
Neutropenia	117 (91)	114 (89)				
Anemia	89 (70)	77 (60)				
Thrombocytopenia	81 (63)	67 (52)				
CRS	107 (84)	7 (5)				
Neurotoxicity	23 (18)	4 (3)				



FDA approved in 2021

EMA approved in 2021



Cilta-cel approval: the CARTITUDE-1 trial

Second generation CAR-T cell, 2 anti-BCMA camelid VHH single domains, 4-1BB costimulatory domain





FDA approved in 2022

EMA approved in 2022

AE n (%)	Cilta-cel-Treated (N=97)						
AE, II (70)	Any Grade	Grade ≥3					
Hematologic							
Neutropenia	93 (96)	92 (95)					
Anemia	79 (81)	66 (68)					
Thrombocytopenia	77 (80)	58 (60)					
CRS	92 (95)	6 (5)					
Neurotoxicity	20 (21)	10 (10)					

Berdeja J, et al. *Lancet* 2022; Lin Y. et al. ASCO 2023

Timeline of approval of CAR T cell therapies in multiple myeloma



KarMMa-3, phase 3 trial (2 to 4 prior lines)



mFU	18.6	mo	

Characteristic	Ide-cel (n = 254)	Standard regimens (n - 132)
Median (range) age, years	63 (30-81)	63 (42-83)
Sex, male, n (%)	156 (61)	79 (60)
Median (range) time from diagnosis to screening, years	4.1 (0.2-21.8)	4.0 (0.7-17.7)
High tumor burden, n (%) ^a	71 (28)	34 (26)
Extramedullary disease, n (%) ^b	61 (24)	32 (24)
High-risk cytogenetics, n (%) ^e	107 (42)	61 (46)
det(17p)	66 (26)	4Z (3Z)
t(4;14)	43 (17)	18 (14)
t(4;16)	8 (3)	4 (3)
Refractory status, n (%)		
IMiD agent refractory	224 (88)	124 (94)
PI refractory	189 (74)	95 (72)
Daratumumab refractory ^a	242 (95)	123 (93)
Double-class refractory ^b	169 (67)	91 (69)
Triple-class refractory=	164 (65)	89 (67)

		Ide-cel (n = 250)		Standard regimens (n = 126)			
All-cause AEs occurring in ≥ 20% patients, n (%)	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Grade 5	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Grade 5	
Any	248 (99)	233 (93)	36 (14)	123 (98)	94 (75)	8 (6)	
Other							
Infections	146 (58)	61 (24)	11 (4)	68 (54)	23 (18)	3 (2)	
Upper respiratory tract infections	29 (12)	4 (2)	0	9 (7)	0	0	
Pneumonia	26 (10)	18 (7)	2 (1)	9 (7)	5 (4)	0	

	lde-cel (n = 225)
CRS, ^a n (%)	
Any grade	197 (88)
Grade 3/4	9 (4)
Grade 5	2 (1)
iiNT, ^c n (%)	
Any grade	34 (15)
Grade 3/4	7 (3)
Grade 5	0

Giralt et al. ASTCT 2023, Rodrigues Otero et al. NEJM 2023





Real world data with Ide-cel mirrors data from clinical trial¹

1Hansen DK, et al. Poster presented at IMS 2022:abstract OAB-004. J Clin Oncol 2023

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RESEARCH SUMMARY

Ide-cel or Standard Regimens in Relapsed and Refractory Multiple Myeloma

Rodriguez-Otero P et al. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2213614

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CLINICAL PROBLEM

Idecabtagene vicleucel (ide-cel) - a chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy that targets B-cell maturation antigen expressed on myeloma cells - is approved in the United States for the treatment of relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma after the receipt of at least four previous lines of therapy. Its efficacy in less heavily pretreated disease is unclear.

CLINICAL TRIAL

Design: An international, phase 3, open-label, randomized trial assessed the efficacy and safety of ide-cel, as compared with standard regimens, in adults with triple-class-exposed relapsed and refractory multiple myeloma who had received two to four lines of therapy previously and who had disease refractory to the most recent regimen.

Intervention: 386 patients whose previous lines of therapy included daratumumab, immunomodulatory agents, and proteasome inhibitors and who had progressive disease within 60 days after completing the last therapy were assigned in a 2:1 ratio to receive a single infusion of ide-cel or to one of five standard regimens. The primary end point was progression-free survival. Key secondary end points were overall response (partial response or better) and overall survival.

RESULTS

Efficacy: At a median follow-up of 18.6 months, progression-free survival was significantly longer in the ide-cel group than in the standard-regimen group.

Safety: Grade 3 or 4 adverse events occurred more often with ide-cel than with standard regimens. Most ide-cel recipients had cytokine release syndrome, which usually was low-grade. Neurotoxic effects also occurred in the ide-cel group.

LIMITATIONS AND REMAINING QUESTIONS

- The proportion of Black patients was not balanced between the groups.
- The investigators' choice of standard regimens may have introduced treatment heterogeneity in that group.
- · Mechanisms underlying ide-cel resistance remain unknown.

Links: Full Article | NEJM Quick Take





Months since Randomization

Overall Response







CONCLUSIONS

Among adults with heavily pretreated relapsed and refractory multiple myeloma who had received two to four lines of therapy previously, the CAR T-cell therapy ide-cel led to significantly longer progression-free survival than standard

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P Rodriguez-Otero et al. N Engl J Med 2023

Progression-free Survival (Intention-to-Treat Population)



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Overview of Cilta-cel clinical trials



CARTITUDE-4, phase 3 trial (1 to 3 prior lines)



CARTITUDE-2 Cohort B:

Cilta-cel in patients with MM an early relapse after initial therapy (n=19)

Patient population: early relapse after initial therapy with a PI and IMID withing 12 m after ASCT or after initiation of therapy. Triple-class exposed 21.1%, refractory to last line of therapy 78.9%

Overall Response Rate



- Of the 15 patients with MRD-evaluable samples at 10-5threshold, 14 (93.3%, [95% CI, 68.1–99.8]) were MRD negative
- Median time to first response 1 m (0.9-9.7 m)



- Safety was manageable and comparable to safety reported in CARTITUDE-1
- Grade 3/4 neutropenia and thrombocytopenia not recovered at day 60 was 11% and 16%, respectively
- CRS occured in 16/19 patients (G3/4 1 patient). Tocilizumab used 63%. Median time to onset 8 days.
- ICANs: 1 patient (G1). MNT 1 patients at day +38 still ongoing (grade 3). van de Donk V et al. ASH 2022; abstract 3354 (poster presentation)

CARTITUDE-6 (MMY3005, NCT05257083)

Primary objective

 To compare efficacy of DVRd followed by cilta-cel and lenalidomide vs. DVRd followed by ASCT, DVRd consolidation, and lenalidomide, in terms of sustained MRD negative CR rate and PFS

Secondary objectives

- To further compare efficacy: ORR, ≥CR, overall MRD- CR, time to subsequent anti-myeloma therapy, PFS2, OS
- To characterize safety, PK, and PD

Key inclusion criteria

- Age ≥18 years
- NDMM, per IMWG criteria, with measurable disease at screening
- Intended for ASCT
- ECOG 0 or 1

Key exclusion criteria

- Prior CAR-T therapy (any target)
- Prior therapy directed at BCMA
- Prior therapy for MM or SMM
- Active malignancies other than MM



While R maintenance is limited to 2 years, a small subset of patients may receive R until progression at investigator's discretion. There is the potential to further amend the protocol to balance the arms egarding use of R for 2 years vs. use of R until disease progression. Our goal would be to keep the proportion receiving Revlimid >2 years to be quite low (ie, <20%). linicaltrials.gov NCT05257083.

CAR-T as first-line therapy in NDTEMM: EMN 28- CARTITUDE 6 trial



ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; CR, complete response; D, daratumumab; EMN, European Myeloma Network; ISS, international staging system; MRD, minimal residual disease; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; R, lenalidomide; SPM, second primary malignancies; VRd, bortezomib-lenalidomide-dexamethasone

1. NCT05257083. Available at: https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT05257083. Accessed June 2022 2. Gay F et al. EMN 2022: (oral presentation)

CAR-T as first-line therapy in ND NTEMM: CARTITUDE-5: A Randomized, Phase 3 Study

All patients will complete 6^a cycles (21 days each) of VRd induction therapy^b prior to randomization (1:1)

VRd + cilta-cel arm

- Apheresis and 2 more cycles of VRd as bridging therapy
- Lymphodepletion daily for 3 days^c
- Cilta-cel as a single infusion

VRd + Rd arm (SOC)

- Two more cycles of VRd
- Rd maintenance therapy^d continues until progressive disease or unacceptable toxicity



^aParticipants who received 1 cycle of VRd prior to screening will only receive 5 cycles of VRd between screening and randomization

^bBortezomib 1.3 mg/m² subcutaneously on days 1, 4, 8, and 11, lenalidomide 25 mg orally on days 1–14, dexamethasone 20 mg orally on days 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, and 12 ^cCyclophosphamide 300 mg/m² and fludarabine 30 mg/m²

⁴28-day cycle: lenalidomide 25 mg orally on days 1–21 and dexamethasone 40 mg orally on days 1, 8, 15, and 22 ^eAt randomization, patients will be stratified by the following factors: R-ISS (I,II,III); age/transplant eligibility (≥70 years or <70 years and ASCT ineligible due to comorbidities or 470 years and ASCT deferred); response to VRd induction (2VGPR, SPR) ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; cilta-cel, ciltacabtagene autoleucel; Cy, cyclophosphamide, Flu, fludarabine; PR, partial response;

Rd, lenalidomide-dexamethasone; R-ISS, revised international staging system; SOC, standard of care; VGPR, very good partial response; VRd, bortezomib-lenalidomidedexamethasone

MCARH109 (GPRC5D-targeted CAR T cell therapy)

Phase 1 first-in-class trial in RRMM

Key inclusion criteria: RRMM ≥3 prior lines, prior IMiD[™] agent, prior PI and anti-CD38 mAb.

Key baseline characteristics: median age: 60y (38-76); high-risk cytogenetics: 76%; EMD, 41%, median prior lines: 6 (4-14); prior BCMA: 59%; prior BCMA-targeting CAR T cells: 47%; triple-class refractory 94%



MCARH109 is an investigational product and has not been approved by any regulatory agency

EMD, extramedullary disease; MAS, macrophage activation syndrome.

Mailankody S, et al. N Engl J Med, 2022;387:1196-206

Clinical Responses to GPRC5D-Targeted Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cell Therapy.



Mailankody S et al. N Engl J Med 2022

Loss of GPRC5D on Immunohistochemical Analysis at Relapse after MCARH109 Infusion.



Mailankody S et al. N Engl J Med 2022

ALLO-715: Anti-BCMA Allogeneic CAR T in RRMM Study Design: Phase 1, 3 + 3 Dose Escalation

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Key Eligibility Criteria		Lymphodepletion Regimens		3+3 Dose Escalation		Grade 1-2	Grade ≥3
	F	 FCA Fludarabine 90 mg/m² Cyclophosphamide 900 mg/m² ALLO-647 (anti-CD52 mAb) 39 mg over 3d 			AE of Interest* (N=43)	n (%)	n (%)
 Adults with RRMM who have received >3 prior lines of therapy 		ECA+		ALLO-715 CAR T cells	Cytokine Release Syndrome ⁺	24 (55.8)	1 (2.3)
including PI, IMiD, and anti-CD38 mAb		FLAF Fludarabine 90 mg/m ² Cyclophosphamide 900 mg/m ² All 0-647 (anti-CD52 mdb) 90 mg over 3d	+	→ 40 x 10 ⁶ cells 160 x 10 ⁶ cells	ICANS [†]	6 (14)	0
• Patients must be refractory to their last treatment line				320 x 10° cells 480 x 10 ⁶ cells	Infection [‡]	20 (47)	7 (17)
	Ļ	CA • Cyclophosphamide 900 mg/m ² • ALLO-647 (anti-CD52 mAb) 39 mg over 3d			Infusion Reaction to ALLO-647	12 (28)	0

Cell dose and LD regimen ^a	40×10 ⁶ CAR⁺ T cells	160×10 ⁶ CAR⁺ T Cells		320×10 ⁶ C	480×10 ⁶ CAR ⁺ T Cells			
	FCA39n=3	FCA39n=4	FCA39n=11	FCA60n=10	FCA90n=3	All FCAn=24	FCA39n=3	FCA60n=3
ORR ^b , n (%) (95% Cl)	0	2 (50) (6.8, 93.2)	7 (64) (31, 89)	8 (80) (44, 98)	2 (67) (9, 99)	17 (71) (49, 87)	1 (33) (0.8, 91)	2 (67) (9, 99)
VGPR ⁺ rate, n (%)	0	1 (25)	5 (46)	5 (50)	1 (33)	11 (46)	0	2 (67)
CR/sCR rate, n (%)	0	0	3 (27)	3 (30)	0	6 (25)	0	0
mDOR, months (95% CI)	N/A	5.6 (1.4, 5.6)	8.3 (3.4, 11.3)	NE (5.6, NE)	3.1 (2.4, 3.1)	8.3 (3.4, 11.3)	1.4 (NE, NE)	NE (1.5, NE)
Median follow-up, months (range) ^c	11 (3, 17)	5 (1, 8)	4 (1, 14)	5 (1, 12)	4 (3, 13)	4 (1,14)	3 (1, 13)	10 (2,12)

^aFCA conditioning with fludarabine, cyclophosphamide and varying doses of ALLO-647 including total doses of 39 mg (13 mg per day; FCA39), 60 mg (20 mg per day; FCA60) and 90 mg (30 mg per day, FCA90). ^bClinical response evaluation was based on International Myeloma Working Group response criteria³⁶ and an objective response is defined as a partial response or better. ^cFollow-up time (months) is calculated as the time between ALLO-715 administration and either the end of study date or date of data cutoff. N/A, not applicable; NE, not estimatable.

Analysis on 43 pts, 5 median prior LOT, 42% penta-refractory

Shadows in the use of CAR-T therapy



Financial toxicity





1 or 2 ide-cel slot was allocated per month per center,

However, the median number of patients per center on the waitlist since ide-cel approval was 20 per month (range, 5 to 100).

patients remained on the waitlist for a median of 6 months prior to leukapheresis (range, 2 to 8).

results reported across 14 centers showed that approximately 25% of patients received a leukapheresis slot for commercial CAR-T therapy, 25% enrolled on another non-CAR-T clinical trial, 25% enrolled on a CAR-T clinical trials, and approximately 25% died or enrolled in hospice



Role of Academia

The current Biotech Report of the Boston Consulting Group shows that only around 10%-15% of studies are coordinated in Europe

in Europe an average of 60% of the studies are sponsored by industry (the level is even significantly higher in some member countries)



Top 5 countries of clinical CAR T cell studies with funding type (source: ClinicalTrials.gov).



Adapted from Vucinic V. et al. Frontiers in Medicine

Sequencing of anti-BCMA immune-therapies: is there a role?

- Is BCMA still present?
- Do we know what was the mechanism of resistance leading to relapse under BCMA?
- What do we currently know about sequencing of anti-BCMA directed therapies?



ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; BsAb, bispecific antibody; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell

What happens during anti-BCMA directed therapy?

Authors	Year of publication	Type of immunotherapy	Product	Clinical trial identifier	Time point of BCMA loss	Methods	Frequency of BCMA loss in the study#	Biological mechanism of BCMA loss	Major findings	Reference
Ali <i>et al.</i>	2016	CAR T-cell	CAR-BCMA	NCT02215967	2 months after treatment	Flow cytometry	1/12	NR	Partial loss of BCMA expression in MM cells at pro- gression in one patient	52
Brudno <i>et al.</i>	2018	CAR T-cell	CAR-BCMA	NCT02215967	56 weeks after treatment	Flow cytometry	1/16	NR	Mixed BCMA ex- pression in one pa- tient, with some MM cells negative for BCMA	53
Green <i>et al.</i>	2018	CAR T-cell	NR	NR	60 days after treatment	Flow cytometry	1/7	NR	Presence of BCMA- negative MM cells in one patient. On MM cells retai- ning BCMA expres- sion 270% reduction of BCMA expres- sion and 5-fold re- duction in BCMA antigen binding ca- pacity in this patient	54
Cohen <i>et al.</i>	2019	CAR T-cell	CART-BCMA	NCT02546167	1 month after treatment	Flow cytometry	12/18	NR	Reduction of BCMA expression intensity in 67% (n=12) of the patients, inclu- ding 8 of 9 respon- ders and 4 of 9 non-responders	55
Truger <i>et al.</i>	2021	BsAb	AMG420	NCT02514239	6 months after treatment	IHC, WGS and RNA- seq	Case report	Homozygous BCMA gene deletion	Complete BCMA loss caused by ho- mozygous <i>BCMA</i> gene deletion in one patient	56
Da Vià <i>et al.</i>	2021	CAR T-cell	Idecabtagene- vicleucel	NCT03361748	5 months after treatment	IHC, WGS and RNA- seq	Case report	Homozygous BCMA gene deletion	Complete BCMA loss caused by ho- mozygous <i>BCMA</i> gene deletion in one patient	15
Samur <i>et al.</i>	2021	CAR T-cell	Idecabtagene- vicleucel	NCT02658929	8 months after treatment	IHC, WGS and RNA-seq	Case report	BCMA gene deletion + mu- tation	Biallelic BCMA loss (mutation + dele- tion) in one patient	14
Leblay <i>et al.</i>	2020	CAR T-cell	NR	NR	NR	Cellular indexing of transcripto- mes and epitopes by sequencing	Case report	Homozygous BCMA gene deletion	Complete BCMA loss caused by ho- mozygous <i>BCMA</i> gene deletion in one patient	16
Munshi <i>et al.</i>	2021	CAR T-cell	Idecabtagene- vicleucel	NCT03361748	NR	NR	3/71	NR	Loss of tumor BCMA expression was suspected in 3 of 71 patients (4%) at progression	51
Wang <i>et al.</i>	2022	CAR T-cell	China	ChiCTR-OIC- 17011272	NR	Flow cytometry	1/21	NR	One (5%) patient relapsed with BCMA-negative MM cells	76

BCMA Loss following target Immunotherapies



ICMA: B-cell maturation antigen; BsAb: bispecific antibody; CAR T-cell: chimeric antigen receptor modified T-cell; IHC: immunohistochemistry; MM: multiple myeloma; NR: not eported; RNA-seq: single-cell RNA sequencing; WGS: whole-genome sequencing; #Among the patients with evaluable BCMA expression at baseline and relapse.

ADC: antibody drug conjugate; BCMA: B-cell maturation antigen; BsAb; bispecific antibody; CAR T-cell; chimeric antigen receptor modified T cell; FcRH5: Fc receptor-homolog 5; GPRC5D; G protein coupled receptor class C group 5 member D; MM: multiple myeloma; RR: relapsed/refractory; sBCMA; soluble BCMA; SLAMF7: signaling lymphocytic activation molecule F7

Idecel Real word data

Characteristics Differentiating Real-World Patients from KarMMa

75% (N=120) of patients would have been ineligible for participation in the KarMMa clinical trial							
KarMMa Exclusion Criteria	N (%)						
Organ dysfunction (renal, cardiac, hepatic)	45 (28)						
Prior anti-BCMA therapy	33 (21)						
Platelets < 50,000/µL	33 (21)						
Hemoglobin < 8 g/dL	25 (16)						
ECOG Performance status ≥ 2	28 (18)						
ANC < 1000/µL	22 (14)						
PCL, POEMS, amyloidosis, non-secretory	11 (7)						
CNS myeloma and other CNS pathology	13 (8)						
Prior allogeneic SCT	9 (6)						
Other malignancies	10 (6)						

Day 30, Day 90, and Best Overall Tumor Responses for SOC Ide-Cel



Real World PFS



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Anti-BCMA CAR-T in anti-BCMA exposed/refractory: ide-cel real life data



Fig. 1 Response rates to ide-cel. Overall response rate and depth of response outcomes for the prior BCMA-TT cohort compared to the no prior BCMA-TT cohort (A), and stratified by the specific type of prior BCMA-TT (B). ORR overall response rate, CR complete response, VGPR very good partial response, PR partial response.

Table 3. Selected variables for ide-cel responders compared to non-responders in the prior BCMA-TT cohort.

Variable	Responders (N = 36)	Non-responders (N = 13)	Р
Duration of therapy with prior BCMA-TT in days, median (range) ^a	23 (1-208)	63 (1–370)	0.025
Time from last BCMA-TT to apheresis in days, median (range)	169.5 (30–1066)	84 (1–286)	0.017
Time from last BCMA-TT to ide-cel infusion in days, median (range)	209 (16-1118)	128 (32–362)	0.052
Ide-cel cell dose (×10 ⁶), mean (SD)	392.3 (58.9)	397.7 (43.7)	0.95
Received systemic therapy between last BCMA-TT and apheresis, n (%)	28 (78%)	9 (69%)	0.539

^aNote that prior anti-BCMA CAR T was recorded as 1 day for duration of prior BCMA-TT.

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Fig. 2 Progression-free survival and overall survival. Kaplan-Meier curves demonstrating PFS in the prior BCMA-TT cohort compared to the no prior BCMA-TT cohort (A), PFS stratified by the specific type of prior BCMA-TT (B), and overall survival in the prior BCMA-TT cohort compared to the no prior BCMA-TT cohort (C).

Cilta-cel real word data

BCMA-targeted therapy BCMA-targeted CAR-T

Retrospective study: multicenter observational study of patients with RRMM who received standard of care ciltacel treatment after relapse on prior BCMA-targeted therapy or non–BCMA-targeted therapy



^a 153 patients underwent leukapheresis for planned SOC cilta-cel. ^bRefractory to an immunomodulatory agent, a proteasome inhibitor, and an anti-CD38 mAb. ^eRefractory to 2 immunomodulatory agents, 2 proteasome inhibitors, and an anti-CD38 antibody. BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; CI, confidence interval; LOT, lines of therapy; OR, odds ratio; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma.

Anti-BCMA CAR-T in anti-BCMA exposed/refractory MM CARTITUDE-2 Cohort C

Population: Relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma after PI, IMiD, anti-CD38, **and anti- BCMA therapy** 20 patients were treated:

- 13 ADC exposed
- 7 BsAb exposed
- 1 in the ADC group also had prior BsAb exposure



ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; CR, complete response; cilta-cel, ciltacabtagene autoleucel; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response; PFS, progression free survival; PD, progressive disease; sCR, stringent complete response; VGPR, very good partial response

Cohen AD et al. Blood. 2023;141:219-230.

Anti-BCMA CAR-T in anti-BCMA exposed/refractory MM CARTITUDE-2 Cohort C

Treatments	Responders (n=8)	Nonresponders (n=5)		
Duration of last anti-BCMA ADC treatment, days				
Median	22.5	63.0		
Range	1–277	22–527		
Time from last anti-BCMA ADC treatment to apheresis, days				
Median	150.0	56.0		
Range	26–695	40–895		
Time from last anti-BCMA ADC treatment to cilta-cel infusion, days				
Median	226.5	116.0		
Range	62–749	95–944		

Timing of BCMA-targeting after ADC treatment

Timing of BCMA-targeting after BsAb treatment

Treatments	Responders (n=4)	Nonresponders (n=3)		
Duration of last anti-BCMA BsAb treatment, days				
Median	53.5	130.0		
Range	23–127	15–260		
Time from last anti-BCMA PsAb treatment to apheresis, days				
Median	220.5	84.0		
Range	28–281	77–251		
Time from last anti-BCMA BsAb treatment to ciltu-cel infusion, days				
Median	276.0	124.0		
Range	84–329	119–307		
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ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; BsAb, bispecific antibody; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; cilta-cel, ciltacabtagene autoleucel

CARTITUDE-2 Cohort C: Efficacy and Safety at a Median Follow-Up of 18 months



• Safety profile of cilta-cel in patients who received prior anti-BCMA therapies was consistent with that in CARTITUDE-1¹

^aPercentages may not sum appropriately due to rounding.

1. Cohen AD, et al. *Blood* 2023;141:219-30. 2. Cohen A, et al. Presented at ASH; December 10–13, 2022; New Orleans, LA. ADC, antibody-drug conjugates; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; BsAb, bispecific antibodies; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; cilta-cel, ciltacabtagene autoleucel, CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; mAb, monoclonal antibody; MRD, minimal residual disease; NE, not evaluable, OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PI, proteasome inhibitor, PR, partial response; sCR, stringent complete response; VGPR, very good partial response.

CARTITUDE-2 Cohort C: T Cell Phenotypes at Apheresis and at Peak Expansion

 At apheresis, the majority of CD4⁺ T cells were central memory cells, and CD8⁺ T cells consisted of significant proportions of central memory cells, along with stem cell–like memory cells and TEMRA cells



At peak CAR⁺ T-cell expansion, central memory CAR⁺ T cells were dominant in both CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T-cell compartments in ADC and BsAb groups

CAR⁺ T-cell phenotype at peak expansion in patients with prior ADC or BsAb exposure



In patients with prior exposure to a noncellular anti-BCMA therapy, central memory cells were the dominant T cell phenotype in both CD4 and CD8 compartments at apheresis and after transduction and in *vivo* expansion; distribution of T cell subsets in ADC vs BsAb groups were not significantly different

ADC, antibody-drug conjugates; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; BsAb, bispecific antibodies; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CM, central memory cell; EM, effector memory cell; ORR, Overall response rate; SCM, stem cell-like T cell; TEMRA, TEMRA T cell.

Cohen et al, presented at IMS meeting 2023Athens

Patients responded to teclistamab after receiving a BCMA-directed ADC or CAR-T therapy¹

BCMA-targeted therapy **BCMA-targeted bispecific**

MajesTEC-1 cohort C: a phase 1/2, open-label, multicohort, multicenter study to evaluate teclistamab in patients with TCE RRMM^{1,2}

Patient characteristics ¹			
Patient characteristics	Cohort C (N=40)		
High-risk cytogenetics, ^a n (%)	12 (33.3)		
TCR, ^b n (%)	34 (85)		
Penta-drug refractory, ^c n (%)	14 (35.0)		
Prior BCMA-targeted therapy, ^d n (%) BCMA-targeted ADC BCMA-targeted CAR-T	40 (100) 29 (72.5) 15 (37.5)		
3 of the 4 patients with prior ADC and CAR-T treatment had a response with teclistamab ¹			



^a Del(17p), t(4;14), and/or t(14;16); percentage calculated from n=36.^{1 b} ≥ 1 Pl, ≥1 immunomodulatory agent, and ≥1 anti-CD38 mAb.^{1 c} ≥2 Pls, ≥2 immunomodulatory agents, and ≥1 anti-CD38 mAb.^{1 d} Four patients had previously received both ADC and CAR-T.^{1 e} PR or better, IRC assessed, per IMWG 2016 criteria.¹

Touzeau C et al. Presented at: American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting; June 3-7, 2022; Chicago, IL. Poster 8013.
 ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT04557098. Updated June 21, 2022. Accessed July 1, 2022.

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Retrospective real-world analysis: patients with RRMM who received commercial teclistamab at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center



Among 29 evaluable patients, ORR was 66% (19/29). In patients with prior BCMA-targeted treatment, ORR was 56% (10/18)

ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; LOT, line of therapy; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival. Firestone R, et al. Presented at the American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting. June 2-6, 2023. Chicago, IL. Abstract 8049.

Patients previously treated with BCMA-targeted therapy responded to subsequent treatment with belantamab mafodotin

BCMA-targeted therapy BCMA-targeted ADC

Retrospective study: single-center analysis of patients with RRMM^a who had received any BCMA-targeted CAR-T therapy prior to treatment with belantamab mafodotin



a Patients who completed 2 cycle of commercial belantamab mafodotin treatment outside clinical trials between October 1, 2020, and October 31, 2022, and had prior exposure to an immunomodulatory agent, a PI, and an anti-CD38 antibody.

^b Including 1q+, 1p-, $t(4;1\overline{4})$, t(14;16), and complex karyotype.

ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; C, cycle; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; CD, cluster of differentiation; D, day; LOT, lines of therapy; mPFS, median progression-free survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PI, proteasome inhibitor; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma.

Hultcrantz M et al. Presented at the 64th American Society of Hematology Annual Meeting & Exposition. December 10-13, 2022. New Orleans, LA. Abstract 3225.

Conclusions

CARTs have become a standard of care after third line treatment

Several trials are in progress to evaluate combinations and earlier application during the disease course

Sequencing different anti BCMA agents is a challenge, few data available, mechanisms of resistance still to be unraveled, bispecifics after CAR-T may work

Limited access to CAR-T cells remains a challenge in real-life clinical practice



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