

# A Randomized Phase III Trial of Induction/ Consolidation Atezolizumab + SBRT versus SBRT Alone in High risk, Early Stage NSCLC

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#### Potential Benefits of Combining RT and Immunotherapy

- SBRT is less immunosuppressive than conventionally fractionated RT or sx
  - SBRT specifically can even be immunostimulatory and deplete immunosuppressive cells
- RT can improve antigen presentation by antigen presenting cells
  - SBRT specifically can release high levels of tumor antigens
- SBRT upregulates immunogenic cell surface markers (ie. MHC-1)
- SBRT can induce immunogenic cell death
- RT and especially SBRT can increase homing of immune cells to tumor
- RT can recruit regulatory T cells (Tregs)
- RT can shift tumor-associated macrophages polarization from M2 to M1
- RT can induce secretion of danger signals and cytokines (ie. TNFalpha)
- RT can upregulate cell-surface expression of PD-L1

#### Rationale for Immunotherapy in Early Stage NSCLC

- Surgical lobectomy is standard-of-care for fit patients with early stage, resectable NSCLC
  - Adjuvant chemotherapy indicated for high-risk factors, improves OS
  - Adjuvant immunotherapy may further improve outcomes, reduce toxicity profiles
    - IMpower010 improved DFS, ECOG-ACRIN EA5142 ANVIL phase III trial completed accrual
- SBRT is standard-of-care for medically inoperable, early stage NSCLC and can achieve excellent local control (>90%), but regional and distant failures remain significant (15-25%)
  - Adjuvant chemotherapy is typically not used following SABR (limited data, chemo is not well tolerated in this typically frail, inoperable population with multiple comorbidities)
- Immunotherapy may allow for fewer nodal and distant failures and be well tolerated when given before, during, or after SBRT for early stage NSCLC



#### S1914 Schema





#### SBRT + Immunotherapy: The Importance of Timing

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Tumor diameter (mm)

- Tumor bearing mice treated to 20 Gy RT with either anti-CTLA-4 or OX40 agonist antibody
- Anti-CTLA-4 most effective when given prior to RT
  - Potentially due to regulatory T cell depletion
- OX40 agonist most effective when delivered following RT
- Optimal timing of immunotherapy and RT depends on mechanism of immunotherapy action



b) i) Treatment planning







Young KH, et al. PLoS One. 2016;11(6):e0157164.

### RT + Immunotherapy: The Importance of Timing

- MSKCC retrospective study of melanoma patients treated with ipilimumab and extracranial RT
- Median OS: 9 months when RT given during induction vs. 39 months when RT given during maintenance





## Timing of Immunotherapy and SBRT



Significantly superior tumor control was achieved in Balb/c mice when the PD-L1 blockade was delivered prior to radiotherapy to 8 Gy



## Objectives

- Hypothesis: the addition of atezolizumab to standard SBRT for early stage, medically inoperable NSCLC will improve overall survival and progression free survival as compared to SBRT alone
- Primary objective: compare overall survival in medically inoperable, early stage NSCLC patients randomized to SBRT with or without atezolizumab
- Secondary objectives:
  - Progression free survival
  - Distant, locoregional, and local failure rates
  - Frequency and severity of toxicities
  - Quality of life



### Inclusion and Exclusion

#### Inclusion criteria

- Adults <u>></u>18 years of age
- Histologically proven stage I-IIA or limited T3N0M0 (stage liB) NSCLC ≤7 cm diameter without nodal or distant involvement
- Medically or surgically inoperable OR unwilling to undergo surgical resection
- Zubrod performance status score of 0-2
- FEV1 
  <u>></u> 700cc and a DLCO 
  <u>></u> 5.5 m/min/mmHg
- Archival tumor sample available (FNA allowed, core needle biopsy preferred)
- One or more high-risk features identified:
  - <u>Tumor diameter ≥ 2 cm</u>
  - <u>Tumor SUV max ≥ 6.2</u>
  - Moderately or poorly differentiated or undifferentiated histology

#### Exclusion Criteria

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- Uncontrolled concomitant disease
- Significant cardiovascular disease (NYHA Class II or greater); myocardial infarction within 3 months prior to randomization, unstable arrhythmias/angina, known left ventricular ejection fraction<40%
- · Severe infection within four weeks prior to enrollment
- History of autoimmune disease other than stable hypothyroidism or controlled type II diabetes.
- HIV, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C
- History of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, drug-induced pneumonitis, organizing pneumonia
- stemic immunostimulatory/immunosuppressive agents within 4 weeks or 5 half-lives of drug prior to enrollment

#### **Treatment Details**

• SBRT (starts with cycle 3 [week 7] in Arm A)

Dose per fraction	Number of Fractions	Total Dose	BED <sub>10</sub>	Tumor Sites
18 Gy	3	54 Gy	151.2 Gy	Peripheral
12.5 Gy	4	50 Gy	112.5 Gy	Peripheral or Central
12 Gy	4	48 Gy	105.6 Gy	Peripheral or Central
12 Gy	5	60 Gy	132 Gy	Peripheral or Central
11 Gy	5	55 Gy	115.5 Gy	Central
10 Gy	5	50 Gy	100 Gy	Central

- Atezolizumab
  - 1200 mg IV over 60 min Q21 days for up to 8 cycles in Arm A



## Statistical Design and Accrual

- Primary Objective: OS
  - N=432 eligible patients (480 enrolled, assuming 10% ineligible)
  - 80% power to detect HR of 0.70 (43% improvement in OS), 1-sided 0.025 level
- Secondary Objective: PFS
  - 90% power to detect HR of 0.65, 1-sided 0.025 level
- Interim Analysis
  - Four annual interim analyses: all analyses will evaluate early stopping for futility (based on PFS), the 3rd and 4th will also evaluate early stopping for efficacy (based on OS)
- Accrual
  - 8 patients per month
  - Accrual duration 5 years



## Laboratory Correlatives Planned

• We are collecting baseline tissue and baseline and on-treatment blood samples for banking

Assay	Location	Methods		
1. Tumor-associated immune cell characterization	Genentech Dr. Schulze	Nanostring on RNA isolated from FFPE tissue		
2. PD-L1	Dr. Hirsch's Lab	IHC - Dako 22c3 assay on FFPE tissue		
3. Circulating ICOS+ CD4+ T cells	UC Davis HIMC* Dr. Monjazeb	Multi-color flow cytometry on PBMCs		
4. Tumor mutation burden	Genentech / FM*	Foundation Medicine ACT assay on cell free DNA from blood		
5. ctDNA overall allele frequency	Genentech / FM*	Foundation Medicine ACT assay on cell free DNA from blood		
6. PBMC immune profiling	UC Davis HIMC* Dr. Monjazeb	Multi-color flow cytometry on PBMCs		
7. T cell receptor repertoire	UC Davis HIMC* Dr. Monjazeb	TCR deep sequencing on RNA extracted from PBMCs		
8. Plasma PD-L1	Dr. Hirsch's Lab	NGS on cell free RNA obtained from plasma		

\*HIMC – Human Immune Monitoring Core; FM – Foundation Medicine



## Important Study Amendments

- May 2021 Amendment Highlights
  - Clarified normal tissue volume/volume constraints (ie. chest wall/ribs are guidelines rather than hard constraints)
  - Relaxed eligibility criteria around prior/concurrent malignancies (now only excludes prior/ concurrent malignancies if the treating investigator believes the malignancy or treatment has potential to interfere with the safety or efficacy assessment of the investigational regimen)
  - Added optional QOL questionnaire
  - Clarified the response assessment criteria after SBRT to aligned with prior cooperative group SBRT trials and to provided clarity on how to assess patients suspected of recurrence
- 2022 Amendment Highlights (conditional approval CTEP, under final review)
  - Clarifies eligibility (ie. 2 cm inclusion cutoff is inclusive of non-solid, ground glass component)
  - Allows up to 2 synchronous early stage primaries to be treated (previously limited to 1 lesion)
    - At least 1 must be biopsy confirmed
  - Allows 7.5 Gy x 8 for central tumors (previously required  $\leq$ 5 fractions)



## **Competing Trials**

- Currently 2 competing trials for the same patient population, both industry sponsored (PACIFIC-4 and KEYNOTE-867)
  - S1914 uses <u>shorter duration immunotherapy</u> (6 months) vs. 24 months and 12 months, respectively
  - S1914 does not require placebo infusions
  - Timing of immunotherapy relative to SBRT in S1914 is <u>based on</u> <u>preclinical data</u> showing increase synergy between SBRT and immunotherapy when immunotherapy is delivered first to prime the immune response
  - S1914 allows sites to gain <u>accrual credit</u> with cooperative groups



#### Study Status and Contact Information

- Study activation date: 5/28/20
- Current accrual: 109 of 480



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### **Questions or Suggestions**

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