

# **DARATUMUMAB, A CD38 MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY IN PATIENTS WITH MULTIPLE MYELOMA - DATA FROM A DOSE- ESCALATION PHASE I/II STUDY**

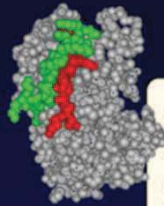
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# Daratumumab

## A Human CD38 mAb with Broad-Spectrum Killing Activity

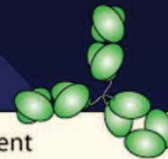
### CD38 molecule



1 CD38 is expressed on multiple myeloma, various leukemias (B-CLL, AML, B-ALL, plasma cell leukemia), NHL including DLBCL



2 Human CD38 antibody generated in transgenic mice



3 Potent

- CDC, ADCC & ADCP
- Inhibition of CD38 enzymatic activity
- Apoptosis after cross-linking
- In vivo efficacy: active at very low doses in mouse models

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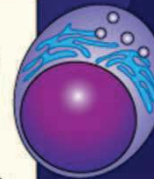


5 Currently in two clinical trials for multiple myeloma

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Effectively kills CD38<sup>+</sup> tumor cells, e.g. in multiple myeloma

Enhanced killing in combination with other novel agents



# Daratumumab: GEN501

## Phase I/II Study of Monotherapy in Relapsed and Relapsed - Refractory Multiple Myeloma

### Objectives

#### *Primary*

- Establishment of the safety profile of *daratumumab*

#### *Secondary*

- To establish the pharmacokinetic profile of *daratumumab*
- Evaluation of the efficacy of *daratumumab* according to International Myeloma Workshop Consensus Panel 1, Blood 2011;117:4691-5
- Evaluation of the immunogenicity of *daratumumab*

# **Daratumumab**

## **Main Inclusion Criteria**

- **Patients with advanced Multiple Myeloma requiring systemic therapy**
- **Patients with relapsed or relapsed and refractory disease with at least 2 prior lines of therapy and without further established treatment options**
- **Patients with ECOG performance status of 0-2**
- **Patients having a life expectancy > 3 months**

# Daratumumab Trial Design

## Part 1

Dose-  
escalation  
cohorts

Open label, weekly i.v. infusion, 8 weeks

Dose-escalation: 3+3 scheme\*

0.005 → 0.05 → 0.1 → 0.5 → 1.0 → 2.0 → 4.0 → 8.0 → 16.0 → 24.0 mg/kg



## Part 2

Expansion  
cohort

Open label, single arm, i.v. infusion

weekly: 8 weeks

every other week: 16 weeks

every fourth week: up to 96 weeks

8 mg/kg, 16 patients

- \*:
- start with pre-dose at 10% of the full dose, max 10 mg
  - three weeks' delay after first full dose
  - governed by independent data monitoring committee

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## Patient Characteristics

Cohort	No. of subjects	Age <sup>a</sup>	No. of treatments <sup>a</sup>	Len <sup>b</sup>	Thal <sup>b</sup>	Bor <sup>b</sup>	Dex/ Pred <sup>b</sup>	Chemo <sup>b,c</sup>	ASCT <sup>b</sup>
≤1 mg/kg	17	63 (42-76)	5 (2-8)	88%	71%	100%	88%/41%	100%	65%
2 mg/kg	3	64 (60-71)	8 (6-10)	100%	100%	100%	100%/100%	100%	100%
4 mg/kg	3	64 (62-66)	6 (3-6)	100%	33%	100%	100%/33%	100%	67%
8 mg/kg	3	60 (56-68)	11 (5-12)	100%	67%	100%	100%/67%	100%	100%
16 mg/kg	3	55 (54-59)	7 (4-8)	67%	67%	100%	100%/33%	100%	100%
24 mg/kg	3	58 (50-69)	5 (4-6)	100%	67%	100%	100%/33%	100%	67%

ASCT=autologous stem cell transplant; Bor=bortezomib; Chemo=chemotherapy; Dex=dexamethasone; Len=lenalidomide; No.=number; Pred=prednisolone; Thal=thalidomide.

Note: These results are based on data before database lock.

a Median (range).

b Number of subjects exposed to the drug/treatment.

c Vincristine, doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide, melphalan, and others.

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## Safety Findings

- **Infusion-related reactions were observed during the initial infusions:**
  - **9% during the pre-dose infusion**
  - **26% during the first full infusion with a gradual decrease in frequency during the subsequent infusions**
  - **No dose relationship**
  - **Two events grade 3, the remaining grade 1-2**
  - **Onset of events within 3 to 4 hours of infusion**
  - **Five late reactions:**
    - **2 events of bronchospasm, 1 event each of headache, dyspnoea and fever**
    - **Patients with bronchospasm had a medical history of chronic bronchitis and asthma**
- **No major changes in platelet count or hemoglobin were observed over time**
- **A dose-dependent decrease in NK cells as measured in the peripheral blood was observed, with full recovery after treatment**

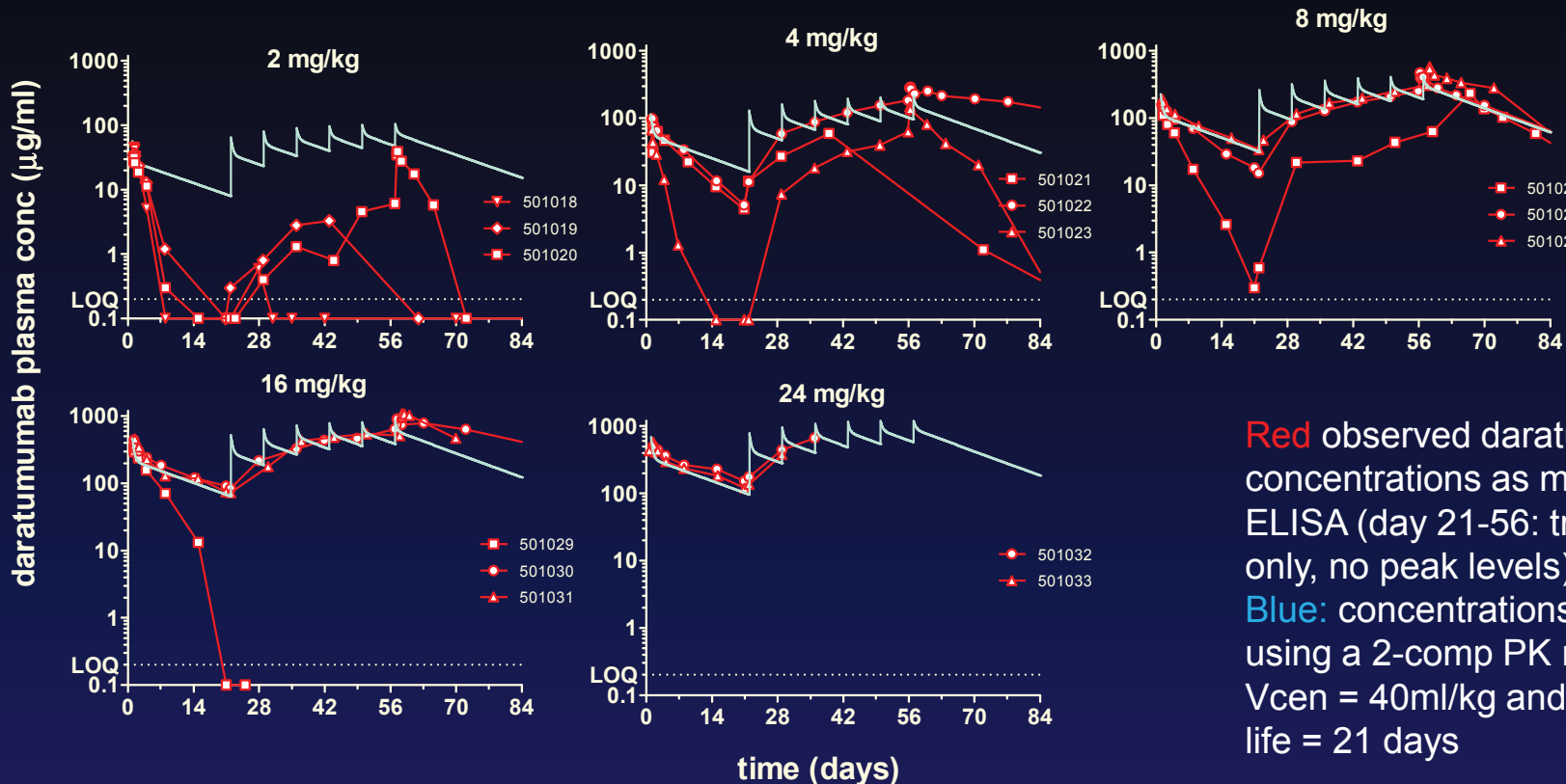
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## **Safety Findings**

- **Six SAEs were assessed as related to daratumumab:**
  - **One patient: anemia grade 3 (DLT) and thrombocytopenia grade 4 (0.1 mg/kg)**
  - **One patient: AST grade 3 (DLT) (1 mg/kg)**
  - **One patient: cytokine release syndrome grade 2 (0.1 mg/kg)**
  - **One patient: bronchospasm grade 3 (2 mg/kg)**
  - **One patient: bronchospasm grade 2 (24 mg/kg)**
- **In total, 2 DLT events reported; 3 more patients were enrolled in the 0.1 mg/kg and 1.0 mg/kg cohorts**
- **All patients recovered after relevant treatment**



# Daratumumab Pharmacokinetics



**Red** observed daratumumab concentrations as measured by ELISA (day 21-56: trough levels only, no peak levels)  
**Blue:** concentrations predicted using a 2-comp PK model with  $V_{cen} = 40\text{ml/kg}$  and elimination half life = 21 days

- Plasma peak levels after first full dose: as expected for IgG
- Rapid clearance at low dose: indicates target-mediated clearance
- High inter-patient variability suggests effect of tumor load on PK
- 2 mg/kg: pre-dose trough levels far below prediction
- 4 mg/kg and upwards: sustained trough levels  $> 10 \mu\text{g/ml}$  indicate that the impact of target-mediated clearance becomes negligible at higher doses

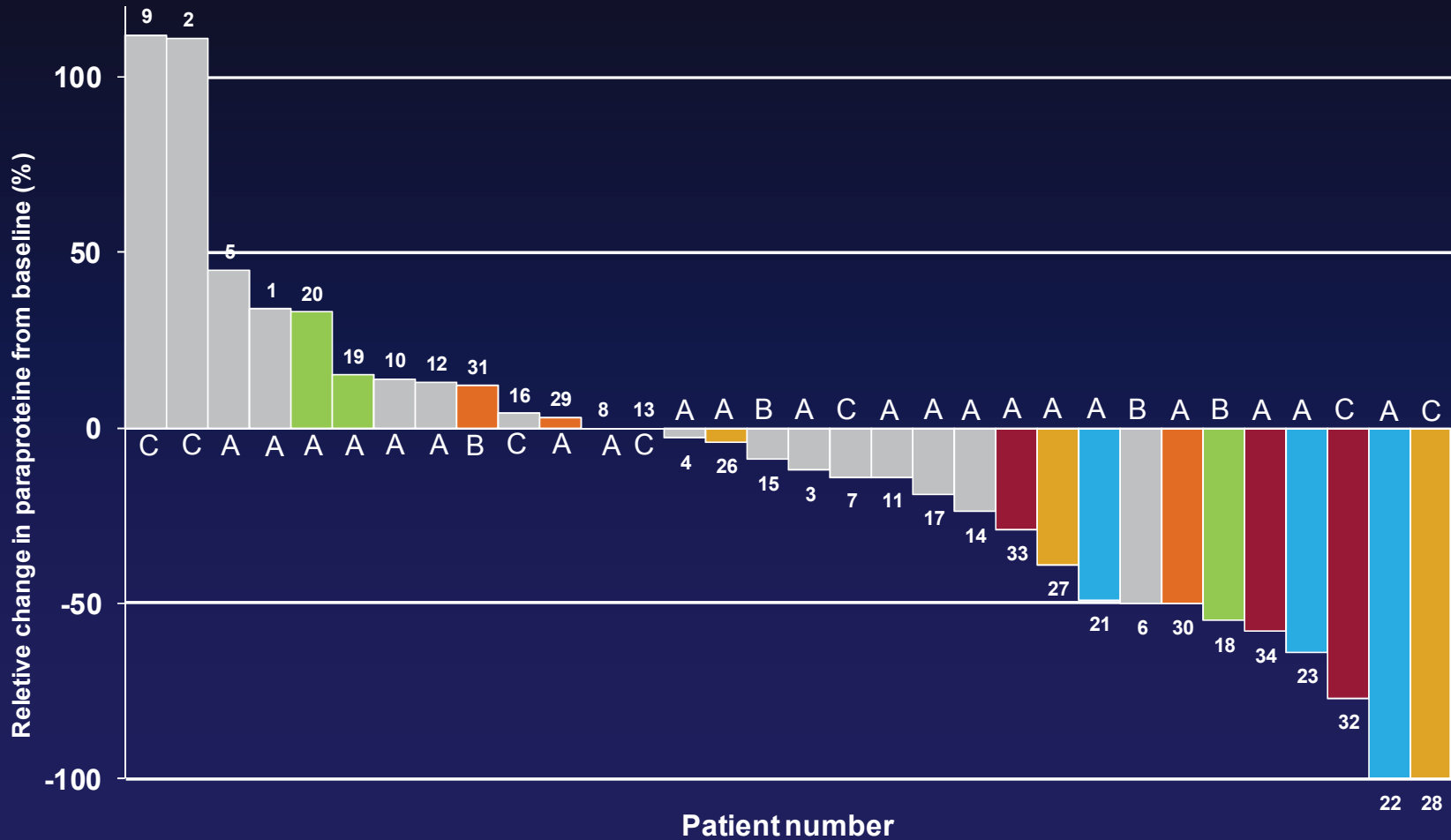
# Daratumumab Response

## Maximal Change in Paraprotein

A: serum M-component

B: urine M-component

C: FLC



# Daratumumab Response

## Max Reduction of M-Component/FLC/BM PCs and by IMWG Criteria

Cohort (mg/kg)	N	Max. reduction in M-component (%)		Max. reduction in difference between involved and uninvolved FLC (%)	Max. reduction in plasma cells in BM smear (%) [Baseline value (%)]	Response according to IMWG <sup>a</sup>
		Serum	Urine			
4	3	49	*	*	80 [12.5]	MR
		100	87	96	89 [23]	PR
		64	*	*	97 [19]	PR
8	3	4	*	*	-29 [14]	SD
		39	*	*	93 [7.5]	MR
		*	*	*	—	NE
16	3	-3	*	-12	—	PD
		50	*	88	100 [31.5]	MR
		*	-12	55	100 [2]	SD
24	3	*	*	80 <sup>b</sup>	51 [18.5]	PR
		29 <sup>b</sup>	*	*	17 [3.0]	MR
		58 <sup>b</sup>	89	93	<sup>c</sup>	PR

**Notes:**

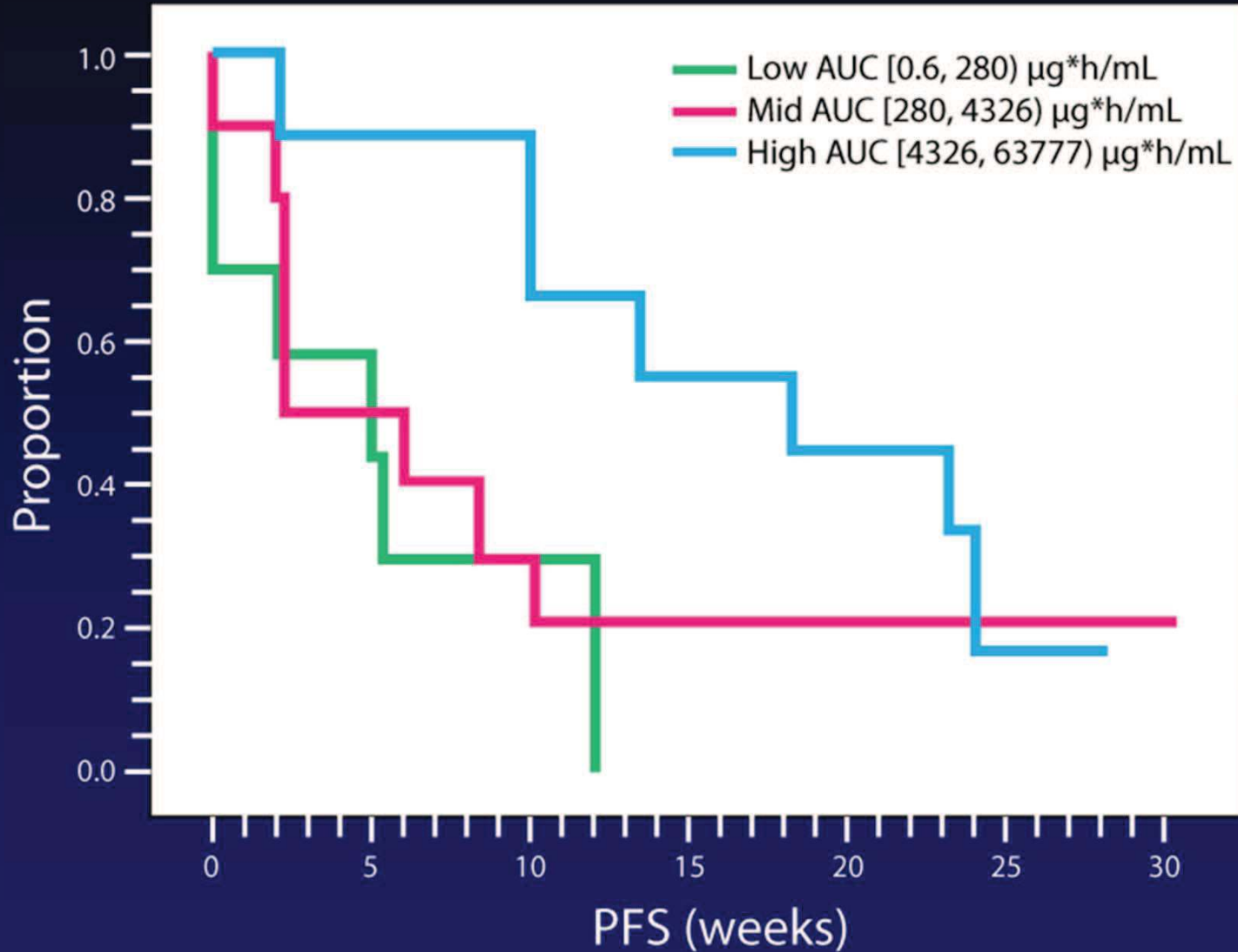
\* no measurable disease/normal at Baseline; —=data not available.

a Evaluation based on maximal reduction in M-component or FLC, according to the consensus on uniform reporting of clinical trials

b Follow-up still ongoing.

c Data not yet available.

# Daratumumab Progression free survival vs. Exposure



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## Conclusion 1/2

- **Daratumumab has shown a favorable safety profile as monotherapy in relapsed or relapsed and refractory Multiple Myeloma patients**
- **In 15 of 32 (47%) heavily pre-treated evaluable Multiple Myeloma patients receiving 8 weeks of daratumumab as monotherapy in doses up to 24mg/kg, a reduction in paraprotein has been observed, corresponding to preliminary responses of:**
  - **4 patients achieving PR (13%)**
  - **6 patients achieving MR (19%)**
  - **5 patients achieving SD (16%)**
- **At doses 4mg/kg and above, 8 of the 12 patients had at least MR (66%)**

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## **Conclusion 2/2**

- **Biochemical response was accompanied by clearance of myeloma cells from the bone marrow**
- **At higher dose levels, observed plasma concentrations are close to those predicted**
- **MTD has not been reached**
- **Increased daratumumab exposure correlated with longer progression free survival**
- **Future directions: Extended exposure up to 24 months in MM patients with 8 mg/kg daratumumab as monotherapy and combination studies**

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