

HER-2 in Non–Small–Cell Lung Cancer

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HER/erbB family

HER/erbB family of growth factor receptors, which includes EGFR (HER1 or erbB1), HER2/neu (erbB2), HER3 (erbB3), and HER4 (erbB4)



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HER-2 in NSCLC

3% of nonsquamous NSCLC

- Gene mutation (1%-4%), gene amplification (2%-5%), and protein over-expression (2%-30%)
- HER2 mutation and amplification: associated with females, never-smoking history, poor prognosis, slightly younger age, higher incidence of brain metastases
 - Mutually exclusive to EGFR, KRAS, NRAS, ALK, PI3KCA, and BRAF
 - In-frame exon 20 insertions occur in 83% of all HER2-mutant NSCLC
 - Gain of HER2 protein expression in general, cannot serve as a surrogate marker for HER2 mutation



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Treatment of HER mutant NSCLC

Limited and varied results have been reported for responses to immune-checkpoint inhibitors in this population, with 6 to 27% of patients having an objective response to treatment

| Table 5. Retrospective studies evaluating the efficacy of immune checkpoint inhibitors in NSCLC with Her2 mutations | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| | Sample size, n | Type of ICIs and treatment line | PD-L1 expression ≥1% | ORR n (%) | DCR <i>n</i> (%) | Median PFS, months (95% CI) | Median OS, months (95% CI) | Reference |
| MSKCC | 26 | Not specified | 23% | 3/26 (12) | | 1.9 (1.5-4) | 10.4 (5.9-NR) | Lai <i>et al</i> . ⁹⁰ ASCO 2018 |
| IMMUNOTARGET registry ^a | 29 | Nivolumab 89.6% \geq 2 lines 94.5% | 53.3% | 2/29 (7.4) | 9/29 (31) | 2.5 (1.8-3.5) | 20.3 (7.8-NR) | Mazieres <i>et al.</i> ⁹¹ Ann Oncol, 2019 |
| MD Anderson | 16 | — | — | 1/16 (6) | 3/16 (18.8) | 1.8 | 17.1 | Negrao <i>et al</i> . ⁹² ASCO 2018 |
| French Lung Cancer Group (GFPC) ^b | 23 | Nivolumab 83% \geq 2 lines 100% | 17% ^c | 6/23 (27.3) | 11/23 (50) | 2.2 (1.7-15.2) | 20.4 (9.3-NR) | Guisier <i>et al</i> . ⁹³ <i>JTO</i> , 2020 |

First line ICI +/- chemo (21 pts): ORR is 52% (95% CI: 30%–74%), median PFS is 6 months

Antibody-drug conjugates (ADC) mechanism of action



Chau CH, et al, Lancet 2019

ADCs in development in NSCLC

| Drug | Antibody-Target | Linker | Payload (DAR) | RP2D and Schedule |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1) | HER2 | Noncleavable | DM1 (3.5) | 3.6 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) | HER2 | Cleavable | DXd (8) | 6.4 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| A166 | HER2 | Cleavable | Duostatin-5 (-) | TBD |
| XMT-1522 | HER2 | Cleavable | Auristatin F-hydroxypropylamide (12) | Development discontinued |
| Sacituzumab govitecan (SG) | Trop 2 | Cleavable | SN-38 (7.6) | 10 mg/kg on d 1 and 8 of 21 d cycle |
| Datopotamab-deruxtecan (Dato-DXd) | Trop 2 | Cleavable | DXd (4) | 6 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| Telisotuzumab vedotin (Teliso-V) | MET | Cleavable | MMAE (3.1) | 2.7 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| Glembatumumab vedotin | gpNMB | Cleavable | MMAE (-) | Development discontinued |
| Cofetuzumab pelidotin | PTK7 | Cleavable | Aur0101 (4) | TBD |
| Anetumab ravtansine | Mesothelin | Cleavable | DM4 (3.2) | 6.5 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| MGC018 | B7-H3 | Cleavable | Duocarmycin (2.7) | TBD |
| Tisotumab vedotin | Tissue Factor | Cleavable | MMAE (4.1) | 2.0 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| Enapotamab vedotin (EnaV) | AXL | Cleavable | MMAE (4) | 2.2 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| MRG003 | EGFR | Cleavable | MMAE (-) | 2.0 mg/kg every 3 wks |
| Patritumab deruxtecan (HER3-DXd) | HER3 | Cleavable | DXd (8) | TBD |
| XMT-1536 | NaPi2B | Cleavable | AF-HPA (10-15) | TBD |
| Rovalpituzumab teserine (Rova-T) | DLL3 | Cleavable | SC-DR002 (2) | Development discontinued |
| SC-002 | DLL3 | Cleavable | SC-DR002 (2) | Development discontinued |

Abbreviations: AF-HPA = auristatin F - hydroxypropylamide; d, day; DAR = drug-antibody ratio; MMAE = monomethyl auristaitn E; RP2D = recommended phase 2 dose; TBD = to be determined; wks, weeks.

ADCs targeting HER-2 overexpression



Trastuzumab emtansine (TDM1) targeting HER-2 mutation



Trastuzumab emtansine (TDM1) targeting HER-2 mutation

| NGS Result | FISH Result (HER2/CEP17 ratio) | IHC Result | Mass spectrometry (amol/µg) | Partial Response |
|---|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Exon 20 p.A775_G776insYVMA | 1.1 (2.7/2.5) | 0 | NA | Yes |
| Exon 20 p.A775_G776insYVMA | 1.8 (8.1/4.5) | 2+ | 642 | No |
| Exon 20 p.A775_G776insYVMA | NA | NA | NA | No |
| Exon 20 p.A775_G776insYVMA | 1.4 (4.5/3.3) | 1+ | 586 | Yes |
| Exon 20 p.A775_G776insYVMA | 1.9 (5.6/2.9) | 1+ | 548 | Yes |
| Exon 20 p.G778_P780dup | 1.6 (7.6/4.8) | 1+ | 0 | No |
| Exon 20 p.G778_P780dup | 1.8 (4.6/2.5) | 2+ | 507 | Yes |
| Exon 20 p.G778_P780dup | 1.4 (5.8/4.2) | 2+ | NA | No |
| Exon 20 p.G778-779 insCPG | 1.6 (4.3/2.7) | 0 | NA | No |
| Exon 20 p.G776_V777>VCV | NA | NA | NA | Yes |
| Exon 20 p.G776delinsVC | 1.6 (5.7/3.6) | 0 | 205 | Yes |
| Exon 19 p.L755P | 1.5 (3.2/2.1) | 2+ | 434 | No |
| Exon 19 p.L755P | NA | 0 | NA | No |
| Exon 17 p.V659E | 1.2 (2.4/2.0) | 2+ | NA | No |
| Exon 17 p.V659E | 1.1 (2.3/2.0) | 2+ | 688 | Yes |
| Exon 8 p.S310F, amplification fold change 2.8 | 4.1 (8.4/2.5) | 2+ | 1,495 | Yes |
| Exon 8 p.S310F | 1.8 (3.2/1.8) | 0 | 0 | No |
| Exon 8 p.S335C | 2.4 (4.8/2.0) | 2+ | 902 | No |

Abbreviations: FISH, fluorescent in situ hybridization; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; IHC, immunohistochemistry; NA, not available; NGS, next-generation sequencing.

Trastuzumab Deruxtecan in HER2-Mutant NSCLC (DESTINY-Lung 01)



Demographic and Clinical Characteristics

| Characteristic | Patients (N=91) | | |
|---|------------------|--|------------|
| Median age (range) — yr | 60 (29–88) | Platinum-based therapy | 86 (95) |
| Female sex — no. (%) | 60 (66) | Docetaxel | 18 (20) |
| Race — no. (%)† | | Anti-PD-1 or anti-PD-L1 treatment | 60 (66) |
| Asian | 31 (34) | HER2 TKI | 13 (14) |
| White | 40 (44) | Reason for discontinuation of previous cancer therapy — no./total no. (%) | |
| Black | 1 (1) | Disease progression | 63/90 (70) |
| Other | 19 (21) | Completed therapy | 6/90 (7) |
| Geographic region — no. (%) | | Adverse event | 8/90 (9) |
| Asia | 23 (25) | Investigator decision | 3/90 (3) |
| North America | 35 (38) | Patient choice | 1/90 (1) |
| Europe | 33 (36) | Unknown | 5/90 (6) |
| ECOG performance-status score — no. (%)‡ | | Other | 4/90 (4) |
| 0 | 23 (25) | CNS metastases at baseline — no. (%) | 33 (36) |
| 1 | 68 (75) | Smoking history — no. (%) | () |
| Location of <i>HER2</i> mutations — no. (%) | | Current | 2 (2) |
| Kinase domain | 85 (93) | Former | 37 (41) |
| Extracellular domain | 6 (7) | Never | 52 (57) |
| Previous cancer therapy — no. (%) | 90 (99) § | Previous lung resection — no. (%) | 20 (22) |

Response to trastuzumab Deruxtecan

| Table 2. Response to Trastuzumab Deruxtecan as Assessed by IndependentCentral Review. | | | | | |
|---|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Response Assessment Patients (N=91) | | | | | |
| Confirmed objective response* | | | | | |
| No. of patients | 50 | | | | |
| Percentage of patients (95% CI) | 55 (44–65) | | | | |
| Best response — no. (%) | | | | | |
| Complete response | 1 (1) | | | | |
| Partial response | 49 (54) | | | | |
| Stable disease | 34 (37) | | | | |
| Progressive disease 3 (3) | | | | | |
| Response could not be evaluated | 4 (4) | | | | |
| Disease control† | | | | | |
| No. of patients | 84 | | | | |
| Percentage of patients (95% CI) | 92 (85–97) | | | | |
| Median time to response (range) — mo‡ 1.5 (1.2–9.3) | | | | | |
| Median duration of response (95% CI) — mo‡ 9.3 (5.7–14.7) | | | | | |

Response to trastuzumab Deruxtecan

| | No. of Events/ Total No. of Patients | Objective Response | Rate (95% CI) |
|--|---|---------------------------|------------------|
| All patients | 50/91 | | 54.9 (44.2-65.4) |
| HER2 mutation domain | | | |
| Kinase domain | 49/85 | | 57.6 (46.5-68.3) |
| Prior treatment received | | | |
| Platinum-based therapy | 46/86 | | 53.5 (42.4-64.3) |
| Platinum-based therapy and anti-PD1/PD-L1 therap | oy 37/57 | | 64.9 (51.1-77.1) |
| Central nervous system metastasis at baseline | | I | |
| Yes | 18/33 | | 54.5 (36.4-71.9) |
| No | 32/58 | | 55.2 (41.5-68.3) |
| | 0% | 20% 40% 60% 80% | 100% |

Response by biomarkers



Response to trastuzumab Deruxtecan



Safety

| Table 3. Most Common Investigator-Reported Drug-Related Adverse Events in the Study Population (91 Patients). | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|--|
| Event | Grade 1–2 | Grade 3 | Grade 4 | Grade 5 | Overall | |
| | | number | of patients (perce | nt) | | |
| Drug-related adverse event | 46 (51) | 37 (41) | 4 (4) | 1 (1)* | 88 (97) | |
| Drug-related adverse events with ≥20% incidence | | | | | | |
| Nausea | 58 (64) | 8 (9) | 0 | 0 | 66 (73) | |
| Fatigue† | 42 (46) | 6 (7) | 0 | 0 | 48 (53) | |
| Alopecia | 42 (46) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 (46) | |
| Vomiting | 33 (36) | 3 (3) | 0 | 0 | 36 (40) | |
| Neutropenia‡ | 15 (16) | 14 (15) | 3 (3) | 0 | 32 (35) | |
| Anemia§ | 21 (23) | 9 (10) | 0 | 0 | 30 (33) | |
| Diarrhea | 26 (29) | 2 (2) | 1 (1) | 0 | 29 (32) | |
| Decreased appetite | 27 (30) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 (30) | |
| Leukopenia¶ | 17 (19) | 4 (4) | 0 | 0 | 21 (23) | |
| Constipation | 20 (22) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 (22) | |

Trastuzumab deruxtecan was withdrawn in 16 patients and interrupted in 8 patients

Table S5. Adjudicated Drug-related Interstitial Lung Disease.

| | | Patients (N = 91) | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|---------|---------------------|-----------|--|--|
| | Grade 1 | Grade 2 | Grade 3 | Grade 4 | Grade 5 | Total | | |
| Adjudicated drug- | | | | | | | | |
| related interstitial | 3 (3.3) | 15 (16.5) | 4 (4.4) | 0 | $2~(2.2)^{\dagger}$ | 24 (26.4) | | |
| lung disease, n (%)* | | | | | | | | |
| | | Li B, N Eng | J Med. 2022 Jan | | | | | |

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Drug-induced pneumonitis



Baseline refractory progressive stage 4 lung adenocarcinoma After 1 dose of T-DXd

4 weeks after IV methylprednisolone Partial response

Discussion

Efficacy was consistently observed across different subgroups, including those who had previously been treated with a HER2 TKI and those with CNS metastasis

Excluded patients previously treated with HER2 Ab or ADC

CNS surveillance was not performed systematically in all patients, which makes it impossible to assess anti-CNS tumor activity comprehensively

Response % were similar between pts +/- CNS metastasis

Responses were seen in patients with different mutation subtypes located across the extracellular and kinase domains of the HER2 protein

Responses were observed in the majority of the small number of patients with no detectable HER2 expression as assessed by IHC analysis or gene amplification

Discussion

HER targeted therapy in NSCLC:

- HER2 tyrosine kinase inhibitors and antibodies ORR 0 to 30%
- Trastuzumab emtansine ORR 44%, median PFS 5 months, small size

Preclinical studies: the internalization and ubiquitination of an ADC are mostly dependent on the presence of an HER2 mutation or amplification rather than that of a simple HER2 over-expression (cohort1 vs. cohort2)

Ongoing Trials

DESTINY-Lung02: lower dose of 5.4mg/kg

- **DESTINY-Lung03**: phase lb trial, T-Dxd + durvalumab + chemotherapy as a first-line treatment
- DESTINY-Lung04: open-label, randomized, multicenter, phase III, T-Dxd vs. SoC as a first-line treatment
- **NCT04042701**: phase lb, T-Dxd + pembrolizumab
- HUDSON umbrella study: phase II, T-Dxd + durvalumab in HER2-altered NSCLC its who progressed on anti-PD-1/PD-L1 containing therapy

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