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## Clinical Activity of BEMPEG Plus NIVO in Previously Untreated Patients With Metastatic Melanoma: Updated Results From the Phase 1/2 PIVOT-02 Study

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### Background: Bempegaldesleukin Preferential Signaling Through the IL-2 Receptor Pathway



- Bempegaldesleukin (BEMPEG; NKTR-214): is a CD122-preferential IL-2 pathway agonist shown to increase tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes, T cell clonality and PD-1 expression<sup>1,2</sup>
- BEMPEG plus checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) nivolumab (NIVO) has been shown to convert baseline tumors from PD-L1(-) to PD-L1(+)<sup>3-6</sup>
- Low levels of baseline tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs)<sup>7-9</sup> and T cell–inflammation<sup>10</sup> is predictive of a poor response to CPIs

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# Background: BEMPEG Plus NIVO in Metastatic Melanoma (MEL)

- Despite CPI therapy as an effective treatment option, there is an unmet need for therapies to produce more durable and deeper responses in metastatic melanoma
- Safety and clinical activity of BEMPEG + NIVO was evaluated in PIVOT-02, a multicenter phase 1/2 study in multiple solid tumor settings
  - Encouraging preliminary clinical activity and safety data demonstrated in metastatic melanoma: durable responses with the combination that deepened over time
- BEMPEG + NIVO received Breakthrough Therapy Designation on July 29th, 2019 from the FDA for patients with previously untreated, unresectable or metastatic melanoma
- Here, we report the updated results in 1L metastatic melanoma patients and the first report of PFS (data cut-off: September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019)



### PIVOT-02 Study Schema

#### NCT02983045

#### Key MEL Inclusion Criteria

- 1L Metastatic Melanoma (with known BRAF status)
- IO naïve
- Measurable disease per RECIST v1.1
- ECOG PS 0-1



#### Primary endpoints:

- Safety and tolerability
- ORR per RECIST assessed every 8 weeks\*
- Efficacy evaluable per protocol defined as patients with ≥ 1 post baseline scan

#### Secondary and exploratory endpoints:

- Duration of response, OS, PFS, clinical benefit rate, PK
- Biomarker analyses in blood and tumor

41 MEL patients enrolled and received at least one dose of BEMPEG plus NIVO

 As of Sept 25, 2019, 38 patients were efficacy evaluable defined as patients with ≥1 post-baseline scan (3 patients discontinued prior to first scan due to an unrelated TEAE [n=1] and patient decision [n=2])

\*Tumors were assessed by blinded independent central radiology (BICR) and local investigator. BICR was used for this analysis, which required radiologic imaging scans to be submitted to a central location and reviewed by independent radiologists who are not involved in the treatment of the patients.

ECOG PS: Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Score; MEL: melanoma; RECIST: response evaluation criteria in solid tumors; TEAE: Treatment-emergent adverse events; SOC: standard of care



### Patient Demographics and Disease Characteristics

	Total (n=41)
Sex	
Female	17 (41.5%)
Male	24 (58.5%)
Age (years)	
Median (Range)	63 (22-80)
ECOG Performance Status	
0	32 (78.0%)
1	9 (22.0%)
PD-L1 status*	
Positive ≥1%	24 (58.5%)
Negative <1%	14 (34.1%)
Unknown	3 (7.3%)

	Total (n=41)				
3RAF status					
Mutant (V600E, V600K)	13 (31.7%)				
Wild-Type or non-V600 mutation	27 (65.9%)				
Unknown	1 (2.4%)				
.DH <sup>‡</sup>					
Normal	29 (70.7%)				
Elevated >ULN <sup>#</sup>	12 (29.3%)				
Stage (7 <sup>th</sup> edition AJCC)					
M1a	5 (12.2%)				
M1b	16 (39.0%)				
M1c	20 (48.8%)				
iver metastases**					
Yes	11 (26.8%)				
No	30 (73.2%)				

\*PD-L1 status determined by Dako PD-L1 IHC 28-8 pharmDx on fresh or archival tumor; for patients with insufficient tumor tissue for central analysis, local pathology data for PD-L1 status at baseline were substituted. 1 pt previously reported as negative confirmed PD-L1 positive (<5%). \*\*1 patient with liver metastases not evaluable for efficacy.

<sup>‡</sup>Based on maximum value prior to dosing

<sup>#8</sup> patients with  $\geq$  2X ULN

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## Treatment-Related Adverse Events (TRAEs) at RP2D

Proferred Term <sup>[1]</sup>	Total
	(N=41)
Grade 3-4 Treatment-Related AEs	7 (17.1%)#
Acute kidney injury	2 (4.9%)
Atrial fibrillation*	2 (4.9%)
Dizziness, dyspnea, hypoxia, hyperglycemia, hypernatremia	1 each (2.4%)
Grade 1-2 Treatment-Related AEs (>30% listed below)	
Flu like symptoms**	33 (80.5%)
Rash***	29 (70.7%)
Fatigue	27 (65.9%)
Pruritus	20 (48.8%)
Nausea	19 (46.3%)
Arthralgia	18 (43.9%)
Decreased appetite	15 (36.6%)
Myalgia	15 (36.6%)
Any imAE (Grade $\geq$ 3) (Nephritis and renal dysfunction, diabetes mellitus/hyperglycemia treated with insulin)	2 (4.9%)
Patients who discontinued BEMPEG or NIVO due to a TRAE (Cerebrovascular accident, edema peripheral, blood creatinine increased, malaise, pharyngitis)	5 (12.2%)
Treatment-Related Deaths	0 (0%)

### The combination of BEMPEG plus NIVO is well tolerated, and treatment-related adverse events (TRAEs) are similar to what was previously reported at ASCO 2019

Data Cutoff Date: 255EP2019. imAE: Immune-mediated adverse events. Per protocol, safety evaluable is defined as patients with  $\geq$  1 dose of study treatment. (1) Patients are only counted once under each preferred term using highest grade. "Pts with 2 or more G3-4 TRAEs are only counted once. \*1 patient with previous history of atrial fibrillation since 2015; 1 patient experienced atrial fibrillation 1 month after last dose of study drug. \*\*Flu-like symptoms included the following preferred terms: chills, influenza, influenza-like illness, pyrexia. \*\*\*Rash included the following preferred terms: erythema, rash, erythematous, rash generalized, rash macular, rash maculo-papular, rash maculovesicular, rash papular, rash pustular, rash vesicular, exfoliative rash



# Cytokine-Related AEs: Decreased Frequency with Continued Dosing\*

- Hydration guidelines<sup>1</sup> effective: no Grade ≥3 TRAEs of hypotension were observed in cohort
- Cytokine related AEs decreased with subsequent cycles of treatment
  - All were low grade (no Grade ≥3 or higher)
  - Easily managed with NSAIDs/OTCs<sup>1,2</sup>
  - No dose delays, dose reductions or study discontinuations due to cytokine related AEs
- Prodrug design of NKTR-214 accounts for lower frequency of cytokine-related AEs compared to high dose IL-2<sup>1,3</sup>

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\*Cycle 1 includes 41 pts, Cycle 2 includes 39 pts, Cycles 3+ includes ≤ 37 pts. Cycle 3+ symptoms equals average of % per cycle for cycles 3-33. #Includes the following preferred terms: chills, influenza like illness, pyrexia, influenza. †Includes the following preferred terms: erythema, rash, rash erythematous, rash generalized, rash macular, rash maculo-papular, rash maculovesicular, rash papular, rash pruritic, rash pustular, rash vesicular, and exfoliative rash

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### Stage IV IO-Naïve 1L Melanoma Cohort at RP2D Best Overall Response by Independent Radiology: SITC 2019



Data Cutoff Date: 25SEP2019. Response evaluable population includes patients who have measurable disease (per RECIST 1.1) at baseline and also have at least one post-baseline assessment of tumor response and (for Parts 2 and 4) meet eligibility criteria are response evaluable. All objective responses are confirmed. "Best overall response is PD due to non-target lesion progression or presence of new lesion; \*Best overall response is SD; \*Best overall response is PR. CR for target lesion, non-target lesion still present.

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### Stage IV 1L Melanoma Cohort: ORR 53% with CR 34%



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# Kaplan-Meier Estimate of mPFS Not Reached (95% CI: 5.3, NE) at Median Follow-up of 18.6 months



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### Patient with 1L Melanoma and Ongoing Response

Age	Sex	Metastatic Diagnosis	PD-L1 Status	Baseline SLD (mm)	Best % Change from Baseline	Overall Response	TTR (mo)	EOT
74	Male	Sept 2013: Mel T2aNO, Stage 1B Jan 2018: Metastatic MEL Feb 2018: Treatment initiated	+	44	-100.0	CR	PR (2.1)	Ongoing



Related/Possibly Related SAE: None BEMPEG Related AEs (Grade ≥3): None Combination Related (Grade ≥3): None

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### Patient with 1L Melanoma and Ongoing Response



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### Patient with 1L Melanoma and Ongoing Response



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### 1L Melanoma Patient With Ongoing Response



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### PIVOT IO 001 Study Design

• A Phase 3, Randomized, Open-Label Study of Bempegaldesleukin (BEMPEG) Plus Nivolumab (NIVO) Versus NIVO Monotherapy in Patients With Previously Untreated, Unresectable or Metastatic Melanoma

### Screening



#### Treatment

### Primary Endpoints: ORR by BICR, PFS by BICR, OS

<sup>a</sup>Tumor cell PD-L1 expression (>1% or <1%/Indeterminate) determined using 28-8 pharmDx (Dako, an Agilent Technologies, Inc. company, Santa Clara, CA). <sup>b</sup>V600-mutant vs wild-type. <sup>c</sup>M0/M1 any [0] vs M1 any [1], based on the screening imaging and laboratory test results (lactate dehydrogenase level).

AJCC, American Joint Committee on Cancer; BICR, blinded independent central review; IV, intravenous; NIVO, nivolumab; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PD-L1, programmed death ligand 1; PFS, progression-free survival; Q3W, every 3 weeks; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors.



### Conclusions

### After over 18 months of follow-up, BEMPEG plus NIVO in 1L Melanoma:

- Showed clinical activity with ORR 53% and CR 34%, in efficacy-evaluable patients
- Notable response rates were observed regardless of PD-L1 expression
- Demonstrated that responses were **durable and deepened over time**
- Median PFS was not reached
- BEMPEG plus NIVO is **well tolerated**, and TRAEs are predictable and transient, similar to what was previously reported
- BEMPEG, in combination with NIVO, is being further explored in PIVOT IO 001 Melanoma (NCT03635983), PIVOT-09 RCC (NCT03729245) and PIVOT-10 mUC (NCT03785925)



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