

Efficacy and time to next treatment following lenalidomide/rituximab (R²) or rituximab/placebo in patients with R/R indolent NHL (AUGMENT).

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Background:

Relapse is expected in treated indolent lymphoma patients, and an unmet need exists to prolong remission with effective therapies. Lenalidomide + rituximab (R²) may improve the efficacy of next treatment by their unique mechanisms.

Methods:

The AUGMENT phase III study evaluated patients with R/R FL gr 1-3a (82%) and MZL (18%) after ≥ 1 prior systemic therapy (not rituximab refractory). Randomization was 1:1 to R² (lenalidomide PO 20 mg/d, d1-21/28 X12 cycles [c] + rituximab [R] IV 375 mg/m²/wk, c1, d1, 8, 15, 22 and c2-5, d1) and R/placebo (same dosing schedule). The primary endpoint was PFS by 2007 IWG; secondary/exploratory

analyses were time to next antilymphoma/chemotherapy treatment (TTNLT/TTNCT) and response to next treatment. Per regulatory guidance, PFS2 was defined as time from randomization to first PD or death from any cause after next antilymphoma treatment, or initiation of a third antilymphoma treatment.

Results:

Median PFS was superior for R² over R/placebo (39.4 vs 14.1 mo; HR = 0.46; *P* < 0.0001). As of 22June2018, median TTNLT, TTNCT, and PFS2 were not reached for R², and were significantly longer than R/placebo (HR = 0.54, 0.50, and 0.52, respectively). For 49/178 (28%) R² and 80/180 (44%) R/placebo patients receiving next antilymphoma therapy, response was generally higher with R² (57% ORR; 31% CR) than R/placebo (36% ORR; 16% CR; Table).

Conclusions:

These analyses suggest that R² (vs R/placebo) prolonged time to subsequent treatment and is associated with longer PFS2, enabling greater response to next therapy. Although patient numbers were modest, it is hypothesized that patients who received R² were generally more sensitive to subsequent therapy than those treated with R/placebo. Clinical trial information: [NCT01938001](#)

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Response to next treatment after R² and R/placebo.

Treatment (R ² n/ R/placebo n)	Response after R ²		Response after R/placebo	
	ORR, %	CR, %	ORR, %	CR, %
Single agent chemo (n = 8/14)	63	38	36	21
Other R-Chemo combo (n = 7/11)	43	29	64	18
Other (n = 9/10)	44	22	40	30
Combo chemo (n = 2/15)	0	0	27	0
Single agent targeted therapy (n = 7/8)	43	14	13	0
R-Benda (n = 5/10)	100	40	40	30
R monotherapy (n = 3/4)	67	67	25	0
O-Chemo (n = 3/3)	100	67	67	33
R-CHOP (n = 3/2)	67	33	0	0
Combo targeted therapies (n = 2/3)	50	0	33	33