

# Traitements des Rechutes de Lymphomes T Périphériques

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# PTCL : an unmet medical need !

#### *Long term OS: 20-30%*



Chihara et al, BJH 2017

#### Median time from PTCL diagnosis to relapse or progression : 6 – 7 months Progression Free Survival<sup>1</sup> : 3.7 months Poor overall survival<sup>1</sup> : 6.5 months



Mak et al, JCO 2013

#### **Treatment Strategy for Patients with R/R PTCL**



Adapted from Luning et al; JCO 2013

# Résultats des polychimiothérapies : R/R PTCL

	ORR (CR)	Median PFS
1. ICE(n=40)	70% (35)	6 m
2. GemDexCis (n=51)	80% (47)	4 m
3. ESHAP (n=22)	32% (18)	2.5 m

## Results of single agents in the R/R setting !

	ORR (CR)	Median PFS
1. Pralatrexate; (n=111)	29% (15)	3.5 m
2. Romidepsine; (n=130)	25% (15)	4 m
3. Bendamustine; (n=60)	50% (28)	3.6 m
4. Belinostat; (n=129)	25% (11)	1.6 m
5. Brentuximab Vedotin; (n=39)*	69% (44)	6.7m
6. Alisertib; (n=102)	34%	4 m
7. Gemcitabine (n=30)	35% (22)	3 m
8. Azacytidine+romidepsine (n=11)	73%	

\* anaplastic large cell lymphoma

1.O'Connor, JCO 2011; 2. Coiffier, JCO 2012; 3. Damaj, jco 2012; 4. Horwitz, Blood 2014; 5. O'Connor, JCO 2015, 6.&7. O'Connor, JCO 2019

#### LUMIERE: Randomized Phase III Study of Alisertib or Investigator's Choice

Response	Alisertib (n = 102)	Comparator (n = 92)	Gemcitabine $(n = 30)$	Pralatrexate (n = 80)	Romidepsin $(n = 23)$
CR	18 (18; 11 to 26)	25 (27; 18 to 37)	5 (22; 7 to 44)	14 (27; 16 to 42)	6 (33; 13 to 59)
PR	16 (16; 9 to 24)	16 (17; 10 to 27)	3 (13; 3 to 34)	8 (16; 7 to 29)	5 (28; 10 to 53)
CR + PR	34 (33; 24 to 43)	41 (45; 34 to 55)	8 (35; 16 to 57)	22 (43; 29 to 58)	11 (61; 36 to 83)
SD	34 (33; 24 to 43)	19 (21; 13 to 30)	3 (13; 3 to 34)	13 (25; 14 to 40)	3 (17; 4 to 41)
PD	34 (33; 24 to 43)	32 (35; 25 to 45)	12 (52; 31 to 73)	16 (31; 19 to 46)	4 (22; 6 to 48)



O'Connor et al, JCO 2019



#### Addition of Brentuximab vedotin to gemcitabine in Relapsed or Refractory T-cell Lymphoma: Results of a LYSA Multicenter, Phase II Study. "The TOTAL Trial"

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# Study objective and methods





# Results – patients' characteristics

Age , median (range; years)	66 (20-79)
Male/female (n)	47/24
Histology (%)	
AILT	31
PTCL-TFH	7
PTCL-nos	7
ALCL-Alk negative	14
ALCL-Alk positive	6
EATL	3
PTCL unclassified	3
PTCL (pending histology review)	29
Disease stage (%)	
Stage I-II	8
Stage III-IV	92
ECOG (%)	
0	31
1-2	69

71 included patients From April 2018 to October 2019

Previous line of treatment (%)	
1 line	80
2 lines	16
3 lines	4
Prior therapy* (%)	
CHOP/CHOP like regimen	100
ASCT transplantation	16
Epigenetic modifiers	7
Time from diagnosis to enrollment	9.4 (2-131)
months; median (range)	
Refractory to last prior therapy (%)	39



# Results – @ 4 cycles of G+BV



Response (n= 71)		
Intention-to-treat a	s by Local Invest	igator
	Ν	%
CR+PR	34	47.9
CR	14	19.7
PR	20	28.2



# Safety – @ 4 cycles of G+BV



Adverse events of Grade ≥3	%
Neutropenia	67
Thrombocytopenia	17
Anemia	26
Infection	16
Peripheral neuropathy*	5
Cardio-vascular	5
Gastro-intestinal	7
Liver	3
Skin	5
*Peripheral neuropathy of any grade was recorded in	11%

## Brentuximab – bendamustine in R/R PTCL

- Travail en cours
- Raphaëlle AUBRAIS
- > 100 cas en cours d'analyse

## 5-Azacytidine and AITL: A promising therapy !

#### •Treatment:

- Aza 75 mg/m2 sc daily x 7 q28d
- Median number of 5.5 cycles

#### •Patients:

- 12 AITL, median age 71 years
- 5/12 (41%) with MDS/CMML

•Efficacy:

- ORR 75% (9/12), CR/CRu 50% (5/12)
- mPFS 15 months, mOS 21 months
- Mutations: *TET2* 100%, *DNMT3A* 33%, *RHOA* 41%



#### 5-Azacytidine et PTCL TFH

#### Phase II Frontline Study of Oral Azacitidine plus CHOP: Weill Cornell Medicine Consortium (NCT03542266)



# Oral 5-azacytidine and romidepsin exhibit marked activity in patients with PTCL

8 (26)
4 (13)
3 (10)
2 (6)
1 (3)
6 (20)

Response type	All patients (N = 31), n (%)	Phase 1 population (n = 26), n (%)	Expansion cohort (n = 5), n (%)	Non–T-cell lymphoma (n = 20), n (%)	T-cell lymphoma (n = 11) n (%)
Overall response	10 (32)	6 (23)	4 (80)	2 (10)	8 (73)
Complete response	7 (23)	3 (12)	4 (80)	1 (5)	6 (55)
Partial response	3 (10)	3 (12)	0	1 (5)	2(10)
Stable disease	7 (23)	7 (27)	0	7 (35)	0
Progressive disease	11 (35)	10 (38)	1 (20)	9 (45)	2 (18)
Not <mark>e</mark> valuable	3 (10)	3 (12)	0	2 (10)	1 (9)



#### Autres molécules en développement

Drugs	ORR	PFS
Tipifarnib (blood 2019)	27-50%	
Ruxolitinib (Blood 2019)	11-30%	
Duvelisib (blood 2018)	50%	8.3 mo
Romi-Len	50%	
Romi-Len-carlfilzomib		
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#### Cerdulatinib: SYK and JAK inhibitors

- SYK and JAK signaling pathways may be critical mediators in the pathogenesis of peripheral T-cell lymphoma (PTCL) and cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL).
- Transgenic expression of constitutively active SYK in CD4+ T cells in mice results in a lethal T-cell proliferative disease
- Cerdulatinib single-agent 30 mg BID in a phase 2a dose expansion study in patients with PTCL and CTCL

Response	AILT/TFH	PTCL-NOS	PTCL-other	Total
Ν	27	11	26	64
ORR	52	0	31	22
CR	37	0	15	22%
PR	15	0	15	12%
SD	15	27	23	55%
DOR (months), (range)	9+ (1-20)		5 (1-12)	8 (1-20)

# Immunotherapy in PTCL: Devil or Angel?



Subtype	Agent	Phase	ORR	CR	DOR
PTCL	Nivo	lb (n=5)	40%	0	NR
NK/TCL	Pembro	Cohort (n=7)	100%	71%	NR
ATLL	Nivo	2 (n=3)	Rapid Prog	ression	NR

Lesokhin et al, J Clin Oncol 2016;34:2698-2704 Kwong YL et al, Blood 2017;129(17):2437-2442 Ratner et al, N Engl J Med 2018; 378:1947-1948

## Anti-PD1 in R/R PTCL: no major efficacy !



#### **Key Inclusion Criteria**

- 1. Biopsy confirmation of relapsed or refractory PTCL
- Measurable disease on cross-sectional imaging that is ≥ 1.5 cm
- 3. Prior systemic chemoimmunotherapy including ASCT

#### HYPERPROGRESSION

- Hyperprogressive disease, defined as dramatic progression within 1 cycle of treatment, occurred in 1 pt with AITL
- Significant progression in tonsilar and cervical lymphadenopathy within 7-10 days of infusion, biopsy proven involvement with AITL





**Key Exclusion Criteria** 

3. Known central nervous system involvement

4. Interstitial lung disease or autoimmune disease

2. Prior allogeneic SCT

1. Prior therapy with anti-PD-1/PD-L1/2 or anti-CTLA-4 antibodies

	N=12
T-cell Lymphoma Subtype, n (%)	
Angioimmunoblastic T-Cell Lymphoma	6 (50)
Peripheral T-cell Lymphoma, not otherwise specified	3 (25)
Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma, ALK negative	1 (8)
Enteropathy-associated T-Cell Lymphoma	1 (8)
Hepatosplenic Gamma Delta T-Cell Lymphoma	1 (8)
Ann Arbor Stage, III/IV n (%)	12 (100)
Extranodal Involvement, n (%)	11 (92)
	Total N=12
Overall Response Rate, n (%) (95% Cl)	4 (33) (12.3 - 63.7)
Complete Response : - 1 ALK-ALCL - 1 AITL	2
Partial Response : - 1 PTCL-NOS - 1 EATL	2



#### ASH, 2019

# The addition Pembrolizumab 200 mg Fixed Dose Q3W in Combination with Romidepsin 14 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on days 1, 8

Demographics	PTCL (n=15)
Age (Range)	(52-81)
Gender	
Male, n (%)	10 (66%)
Race	
Caucasian n (%)	7 (46)
African-american n (%)	2 (13)
hispanic/latino n (%)	5 (33)
Asian n (%)	1 (6)
Bone Marrow involvement n (%)	11 (73)
Prior therapies, (Range)	1-5
= 2 therapies, n (%)</td <td>3 (60)</td>	3 (60)
>/= 3 therapies, n (%)	2 (40)
Prior Radiation n (%)	
Elevated LDH n (%)	13 (86)
Stage 3 or 4, n (%)	9 (60)
ECOG >2 n (%)	12(80)
* Disease status	
Relapse, n (%)	1 (33)
Refractory, n (%)	4 (80)
Pathology	-
PTCL, NOS, n (%)	12 (80)
Transformed mycosis fungoides, n (%)	2 (13)
ALCL, n (%)	1 (6)
* Disease status defined as refractory to or relapsed after ≥ 1 prior treatment lines.	

- DLT hypotension and renal insufficiency
- Phase II is ongoing with 9 pts enrolled
- ORR = 44%; (CR 3; PR 2)
- The median follow-up was 6 months (3 weeks- 12 months)
- DoR for CR > 10 months.
- TEAEs ≥ grade 3 Nausea/vomiting and fatigue
- Two patients experienced hyperprogression within the first 10 days after the treatment.

# Allogeneic SCT is a curative option for PTCL

- Prospective study
- N°= 17 patients
- Induction therapy: DHAP x 4-6
- Disease status before Allo-SCT
  - CR 2
  - PR 11
  - Progressive 2
- RIC conditioning 100%
- Follow-up 28 m (3-57)





## Allo-SCT: Retrospective studies in R/R PTCL

	N°	MAC/RIC (%)	Disease status prior allo	NRM	m-PFS/EFS	OS
Murashige, 2005	28	82/18	CR = 57%	MAC 30% RIC 20%	34% (3y)	40% (3y)
<i>Le Gouill, 2008</i>	77	74/26	CR=21 PR=30	33%	53% (5y)	57% (5y)
Kyriakou, 2011	45	56/44	CR=27 PR=22	MAC 29% RIC 24%	53% (3y)	64% (3y)
Jacobsen, 2012*	52	60/40	CR=44 PR=31	27%	39% (3y)	59% (3y)
Kanakry, 2012	44	45/55	CR/PR=75%	MAC 10% RIC 8%	40% (2y)	43% (2y)
Smith,2013*	126	59/36	Cx sensitive 75%	MAC 32% RIC 27%	37% (3y)	46% (3y)

NRM		
MAC: 30%		
<b>RIC : 20%</b>		

**PFS** 30-50% **OS** 40-60%

# Allogeneic SCT is a curative option for PTCL

- Effective immunotherapy
- Plateau after 2-years
- Retrospective study : 321 patients
- Relapse or refractory disease
- PTCL-nos; n=180; AILT, n=141
- Treatment at relapse before SCT Romidepsine, pralatrexate, gemcitabine, ICE, ESHAP,...





## Allo-SCT: a good curative option for PTCL patients

#### N = 285 patients (2006-2014)

Lymphoma subtypes PTCL-nos 39%

> AILT 29% ALCL 17%

Others 17%

#### Front-line: 48%

CR1= 33%

PR1 = 15%

#### **Relapsed/refractory: 147 pts**

≥ CR2/PR2 (116pts) 41% Progressive (31pts) 11%

#### conditioning

MAC = 38%

#### Source of stem cells

identical sibling 45% Matched-unrelated 36%



Time (months)

ITT analysis versus only transplanted patients !

#### Mussetti et al, Bone Marrow Transplantation, 2019

- 73 consecutive R/R PTCL patients eligible for Allo transplant at Relapse or Progression
  - Refractory disease 48%
  - Chemo sensitive disease 37%
- Intent to Treat analysis: median PFS 2: 14% median OS 2: 34%
- 62% of patients received allo-SCT: 4y-OS 51%
- OS for refractory transplanted patients : 25%

• 73 consecutive R/R PTCL patients eligible for Allo transplant at Relapse or Progression

#### OS from time of 1<sup>st</sup> relapse/progression



Allo-SCT versus non allo-SCT

Mussetti et al, Bone Marrow Transplantation, 2019

ITT analysis versus transplanted patients !

#### Selberg et al, Bone Marrow Transplantation, 2020

- N° PTCL: 53 patients eligible for Allo-transplant
- The median time from diagnosis to donor search was 0.5 year
- Successful donor search 88% (MRD, MUD, MMRD, MMUD)
- The Median time to donor identification was 47 days (28 70)
- % of patients who undergo allo-SCT: 77% main cause to not undergo allotransplant was disease progression
- 5-y OS was 62% (from 3 mo landmark after diagnosis) overestimation by a factor of 1.24
- OS in Intent to Treat analysis is 50%

## Allo-SCT: a good curative option for R/R PTCL patients

What is the impact of the disease status before allo-SCT on the outcome ?

## Chemo-sensitive disease > Refractory or progressive prior to Allo

#### N = 285 patients (2006-2014)

#### Lymphoma subtypes

PTCL-nos 39%	5, AILT 29%
ALCL 17%,	Others 17%
Front-line: 48%	
CR1= 33%	
PR1 = 15%	
Relapsed/refractory: 14	47 pts
≥ CR2/PR2 (12	16pts) 41%
Progressive (3	31pts) 11%
conditioning	
MAC = 38%:	RIC = 62%

Multivariate	5-year OS	NRM
PD vs CR before SCT	HR = 2.21, p 0.0062	-



# Impact of the disease status before Allo-SCT

- N = 77 patients
- Disease Status prior to transplant: CR/PR = 51%; Refractory = 49%
- Conditioning : MAC = 74%; RIC = 26%
- 5-y NRM 33%;
- **5-y PFS** 53% **5-y OS** 57%



Le Gouill et al, JCO, 2008

## Impact of the disease status before Allo-SCT

N = 52 patients Retrospective= ; prospective= Lymphoma subtypes

Disease Status prior to transplant CR/PR = 75% Refractory = 25%

**RIC conditioning = 100%** 

5-y NRM = 12% 5-y PFS = 40% 5-y OS = 50%



**RIC** = 100%

Multivariate	
Disease status	(OS et PFS)
Age > 45 y	(OS et PFS)

# How to improve the outcome ?

# **Global outcome of PTCL**



D'Amore, F. abstract #74, ICML 2015;

# **Early detection of poor responders**



#### 2-y TTTF: 63 % vs. 21 % HR = 3.4 (95 % CI 1.8 - 6.4), p<0.0001;

+ Censored Logrank p < 0001

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+ Censored Logrank p < 0001

2-y OS: 79 % vs. 25 % HR = 5.0 (95 % CI 2.4 - 10.3), p<0.0001;

# **Prognostic value of iPET in PTCL**

OS and EFS by TMTV. OS (A) and EFS (B) curves by median (188 cc)

OS (E) and EFS (F) curves of combined 5PS with TMTV

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#### Conclusion

- Many progress in the molecular comprehension of PTCL: Targeting therapies ? Epigenetics; SYK/JAK
- Predictive factors of poor response or early relapses could improve the outcome TEP; iTEP (TMTV)
- New therapeutic agents such as Aza, Cerdulatinib are promising
- Allo-SCT represents the only curative therapy for PTCL
  - The Overall survival rate > OS obtained with other strategies
- Relevant fraction of patients will not be able to enter the transplant procedure
  - Considering allo-SCT early in the course of the disease
  - Allo-SCT should be decided for patients who obtained less than CR1 or in R/R disease
  - Allo-SCT is superior if chemo-sensitive disease (CR/PR) > refractory disease

# In conclusion

Allo-SCT represents the only curative therapy for PTCL

- The Overall survival rate > OS obtained with other strategies
- Relevant fraction of patients will not be able to enter the transplant procedure
  - Considering allo-SCT early in the course of the disease
- Allo-SCT could not be recommended in first line chemo sensitive PTCL based on the AATT trial
  - Allo-SCT should be decided for patients who obtained less than CR1 or in R/R disease
  - Allo-SCT is superior if chemo-sensitive disease (CR/PR) > refractory disease

# Thank you for your attention

