

Leap Therapeutics Reports Positive Updated Data from Sirexatamab Colorectal Cancer Study

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Updated data confirms statistically significant 32% higher ORR and 3.5 month longer PFS in second-line CRC patients with high DKK1 levels treated with sirexatamab plus bevacizumab and chemotherapy

Statistically significant 22% higher ORR and 2.6 month longer PFS in patients who had not had prior anti-VEGF therapy

Leap to host a conference call to present clinical data today, March 26, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. ET

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 26, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- Leap Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq:LPTX), a biotechnology company focused on developing targeted and immuno-oncology therapeutics, today presented updated preliminary data from Part B of the DeFianCe study ([NCT05480306](#)), a Phase 2, open-label, global study of sirexatamab (DKN-01), an anti-DKK1 monoclonal antibody, in combination with bevacizumab and chemotherapy (Experimental Arm) compared to bevacizumab and chemotherapy (Control Arm) in patients with advanced microsatellite stable (MSS) colorectal cancer (CRC) who have received one prior systemic therapy for advanced disease. The updated analysis includes overall response rate (ORR), by both investigator-assessment (IA) and blinded independent central review (BICR), an additional two months of patient follow-up for progression-free survival (PFS) that demonstrates a favorable maturation of the data, and initial overall survival (OS) data. As of March 12, 2025, 34 patients remain on study drug in the sirexatamab Experimental Arm compared to 24 patients in the Control Arm.

"The updated data from Part B of the DeFianCe study presented today confirms that sirexatamab can generate significantly higher ORR and longer PFS in CRC patients who have high levels of DKK1 or who have not had prior anti-VEGF therapy, two exploratory populations with strong scientific rationale. In the full intent-to-treat population, sirexatamab demonstrated a higher ORR and a tail population with longer PFS that continues to mature. With more sirexatamab-treated patients currently continuing on study drug than control arm patients, there is potential for the dataset to continue to strengthen over the coming months," said Cynthia Sirard, MD, Chief Medical Officer of Leap. "We believe that there is a compelling opportunity to move forward with a registrational study for sirexatamab to confirm these results and bring a new therapy to patients with CRC."

DeFianCe Study Update

- In patients with high DKK1 levels (upper quartile, n=44), the sirexatamab Experimental Arm has a statistically significant 32% higher ORR, 3.5 month longer PFS, and OS compared to the Control Arm:

	Sirexatamab Experimental Arm (n=25)	Control Arm (n=19)	
ORR by IA	48.0 %	15.8 %	p = 0.0067
ORR by BICR	40.0 %	5.3 %	p < 0.001
Median PFS	9.36 months	5.88 months	HR 0.46 95% CI: 0.21, 1.02 p = 0.0248
Median OS	Not Yet Reached	9.49 months	HR 0.09 95% CI: 0.01, 0.69 p = 0.0018
Patients on study drug	10	1	

- In patients who had not received prior anti-VEGF therapy (n=95), the sirexatamab Experimental Arm has a statistically significant 22% higher ORR and 2.6 month longer PFS compared to the Control Arm, with OS not mature but favoring the sirexatamab Experimental Arm:

	Sirexatamab Experimental Arm (n=49)	Control Arm (n=46)	
ORR by IA	55.1 %	32.6 %	p = 0.0116
ORR by BICR	44.9 %	21.7 %	p = 0.0066
Median PFS	10.94 months	8.34 months	HR 0.59 95% CI: 0.32, 1.07 p = 0.0386
Median OS	Not Yet Reached	Not Yet Reached	HR 0.22 95% CI: 0.03, 2.01 p = 0.0719
Patients on study drug	23	8	

- Across the intent-to-treat population (n=188), the sirexatamab Experimental Arm has improved ORR compared to the

Control Arm, with the primary endpoint of PFS still to mature due to the higher number of patients remaining on sirexatamab driving separation after the median:

	Sirexatamab Experimental Arm (n=94)	Control Arm (n=94)	
ORR by IA	36.2 %	25.5 %	p = 0.0536
ORR by BICR	33.0 %	16.0 %	p = 0.0023
Median PFS	7.82 months	8.31 months	HR 0.83 95% CI: 0.56, 1.24 p = 0.1809
Patients on study drug	34	24	

- The combination of sirexatamab plus bevacizumab and chemotherapy is well tolerated with a safety profile that is consistent with previous studies.
- The strong signal from the DeFianCe study supports a registrational Phase 3 clinical trial to evaluate sirexatamab plus bevacizumab and chemotherapy in second-line MSS CRC patients with high DKK1 levels or in patients who have not received prior anti-VEGF therapy.
- With approximately 30,000 second-line treated CRC patients in the US and 160,000 in the next 7 largest markets, sirexatamab has a large market opportunity in the 25-50% of patients who have high DKK1 levels or in the approximately 50% of patients who did not receive prior anti-VEGF therapy. In addition, the outcomes in patients with no prior anti-VEGF therapy provides an opportunity to move into treating first-line CRC patients, where there are an estimated 45,000 patients in the US and 265,000 in the next 7 largest markets who receive therapy for their advanced disease.
- Leap has engaged a leading financial advisor to explore business development opportunities to further the development of sirexatamab.

Conference Call

- Leap's management team will host a conference call today, March 26, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. Eastern Time to further discuss the data. The conference call will be broadcast live in listen-only mode and can be accessed via the webcast URL: <https://edge.media-server.com/mmc/p/t6576mgc>. A replay of the event will be available for a limited time on the Investors page of the Company's website at <https://investors.leaptx.com/>.

About Leap Therapeutics

Leap Therapeutics (Nasdaq: LPTX) is focused on developing targeted and immuno-oncology therapeutics. Leap's most advanced clinical candidate, sirexatamab (DKN-01), is a humanized monoclonal antibody targeting the Dickkopf-1 (DKK1) protein. Sirexatamab is being studied in patients with colorectal cancer. Leap's pipeline also includes FL-501, a humanized monoclonal antibody targeting the growth and differentiation factor 15 (GDF-15) protein, in preclinical development. For more information about Leap Therapeutics, visit <http://www.leaptx.com> or view our public filings with the SEC that are available via EDGAR at <http://www.sec.gov> or via <https://investors.leaptx.com/>.

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