Patients with Recurrent Gynecologic Cancer Whose Tumors Have Activating Wnt Pathway Mutations Respond Better To Dkn-01, A Dickkopf-1 (DKK1) Inhibitor

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BACKGROUND

Dickkopf-1 (DKK1)

- Modulator of Wnt signaling.
- Mutations in Wnt activating genes (stabilizing β-catenin mutation; e.g., CTNNB1, APC and RNF43) lead to increased DKK1 expression.
- Tumor cells secrete DKK1; elevated DKK1 expression = poor prognosis.
- \rightarrow Immunosuppressive tumor microenvironment.
- ightarrow Activates oncologic noncanonical Wnt signaling.
- \rightarrow Promotes proliferation, metastasis, and angiogenesis.

DKN-01

- Humanized monoclonal antibody [IgG4] targeting DKK1.
- Activates innate immune response in preclinical models.
- Has anti-angiogenic and direct antitumor effects in preclinical models. Tumors with Wnt activating mutations
- are more likely to responded to DKN-01. In esophagogastric cancer patients treated with DKN-01 + pembrolizumab, high tumoral DKK1 was associated with
- longer PFS.
- Phase 2 basket study (NCT03395080) in advanced gynecologic malignancies
- Activity of DKN-01 as monotherapy or in combination with paclitaxel (physician's choice) in EEC or EOC Primary objective: objective response
- rate (ORR)
- 2-stage Simon Minimax design
- Secondary objective: Exploring genetic mutations in the Wnt signaling pathway and tumoral DKK1 expression as predictive biomarkers

* 2 patients in EEC monotherapy and 2 patients in EEC combination therapy have no available genetics

STUDY DESIGN



RESULTS

Patient and Cancer Characteristics

	DKN-01 Monot	herapy (N=45)	DKN-01 + Paclitaxel (N=47)		
	EEC n=30	EOC n=15	EEC n=28	EOC n=19	
Age (yrs), median (min, max)	63.0 (36, 78)	67.0 (43, 87)	64.5 (39 <i>,</i> 80)	63.0 (35, 79)	
White, n (%)	27 (90.0)	13 (86.7)	25 (89.3)	16 (84.2)	
Baseline CA-125 (µg/mL), median (min, max)	48.50 (6.0, 6410.2)	399.00 (9.6, 2833.0)	85.10 (5.5, 7091.0)	419.00 (19.2, 4373.0)	
Baseline tumor volume (mm), median (min, max)	67.5 (15, 284)	77 (29, 230)	85.4 (15, 245)	73 (15, 265)	
Stage at diagnosis, n (%)					
1	12 (40.0)	0	8 (28.6)	1 (5.3)	
II	4 (13.3)	1 (6.7)	1 (3.6)	1 (5.3)	
111	3 (10.0)	12 (80.0)	10 (35.7)	14 (73.7)	
IV	11 (36.7)	2 (13.3)	9 (32.1)	3 (15.8)	
Tumor type, n (%)					
Endometrioid	18 (60.0)	1 (6.7)	9 (32.1)	1 (5.3)	
Serous	5 (16.7)	11 (73.3)	8 (28.6)	11 (57.9)	
Carcinosarcoma	2 (6.7)	0	1 (3.6)	0	
Other	2 (6.7)	2 (13.3)	6 (21.4)	4 (21.1)	
Missing	3 (10.0)	1(6.7)	4 (14.3)	3 (15.8)	
\geq 3 prior therapies, n (%)	21 (70.0)	11 (73.3)	23 (82.1)	17 (89.5)	
Prior therapies, n (%)					
Taxane	26 (86.7)	13 (86.7)	27 (96.4)	18 (94.7)	
Bevacizumab	6 (20.0)	10 (66.7)	8 (28.6)	11 (57.9)	
PARP inhibitor	1 (3.3)	4 (26.7)	3 (10.7)	7 (36.8)	
Immunotherapy	5 (16.7)	2 (13.3)	5 (17.9)	3 (15.8)	
Hormonal	9 (30.0)	1 (6.7)	10 (35.7)	2 (10.5)	
Wnt signaling alteration ⁺ , n (%)	20 (66.7)	9 (60.0)	19 (67.9)	11 (57.9)	
ARID1A	10 (33.3)	5 (33.3)	9 (32.1)	5 (26.3)	
Wnt activating mutations	9 (30.0)	2 (13.3)	9 (32.1)	1 (5.3)	
CTNNB1	6 (20.0)	2 (13.3)	7 (25.0)	1 (5.3)	
APC	2 (6.7)	0	1 (3.6)	0	
RNF43	2 (6.7)	0	2 (7.1)	0	

2 EEC monotherapy pts and 2 EEC combination therapy pts have no available genetics. †Wnt signaling alterations: **ZNRF3, RSPO2, RNF43, CTNNB1, AXIN1/2, APC,** WISP3, TNKS2, TNKS, TERT, SOX9, SOX2, SLIT2, PAX5, NOTCH1, MLL2, LTK, LRP1B, LRP, GSK3B, GREM1, FOXP1, FBXW7, FAM123B, CREB, CDH20, CDC73, ARID1A, APCDD1

Disposition and Exposure

- Median # cycles: monotherapy 2, combination therapy 4
- Median duration on treatment: monotherapy 43 days,

Best Overall Response by Cancer Type 20% increase **DKN-01**

Efficacy with DKN-01 Monotherapy

Efficacy with DKN-01 + Paclitaxel



Best Overall Response by Cancer Type



CR in DKN-01 Monotherapy Patient (reported after data cut)

Enrolled PR -37.5% cPR -56.2% CR Currently in July 2018 after 8 cycles after 10 cycles after 14 cycles Cycle 15

Wnt Activating Mutations Associated with Longer PFS

Longer PFS (175 days vs 63 days) in patients with Wnt activating mutations independent of treatment and tumor type



DKK1 High Tumors Associated with Longer PFS

- 13 of 54 patients (24.1%) were DKK1 high
- DKK1 high vs. low tumors prolonged PFS (168 vs. 63 days) after controlling for tumor and therapy type



- combination 98 days
- Duration on study: monotherapy 127 days, combination 177 days

Safety

- DKN-01 was well tolerated as monotherapy and in combination with paclitaxel
- Most common related TEAEs: Monotherapy: nausea (35.5%), fatigue (29.0%); Combination: diarrhoea (31.6%), anemia (31.6%), fatigue (26.3%)
- Related SAEs: Monotherapy: nausea, acute kidney injury; Combination: hypokalemia, anemia and paresthesia

	Monotherapy (n=45)		Combination Therapy (n=47)			
	TEAE Any Grade	TEAE > Grade 3	TESAE	TEAE Any Grade	TEAE > Grade 3	TESAE
Any TEAE	42 (93.3)	18 (40.0)	7 (15.6)	47 (100)	28 (59.6)	18 (38.3)
TEAE Related to DKN-01	31 (68.9)	5 (11.1)	2 (4.4)	38 (80.9)	12 (25.5)	2 (4.3)

DKK1 High Tumors Associated with Wnt Activating Mutations

Tumors with Wnt activating mutations have a 20-fold increase in tumoral DKK1



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DKK1 H-score* High vs Low (N=13 vs 41)	Hazard Ratio (95% Cl)
ligh vs Low – adjusted for monotherapy/combo	0.39 (0.16, 0.98)
High vs Low – adjusted for tumor type EEC/EOC	0.40 (0.16, 1.0)
ligh vs Low – adjusted for monotherapy/ combo and tumor type EC/EOC	0.37 (0.15, 0.93)
*RNA in situ hybridization assay (RNAscope)	

Wnt Activating Mutations Trend Toward Longer OS

Median OS not yet reached (NYR) vs. 321 days without Wnt activating mutations Only 3 of 21 patients with Wnt activating mutations (14.3%) have had events vs. 18 of 67 patients (26.9%) without Wnt activating mutations



DKK1 High* Tumors Trend Toward Longer OS

DKK1 high vs DKK1 low tumors trend towards longer OS (NYR vs 365 days) 2 of 13 (15.4%) DKK1 high patients had events vs. 12 of 41 (29.3%) DKK1 low patients



CONCLUSIONS

- DKN-01 monotherapy has activity in gynecologic cancers, especially in patients with endometrial cancer (EEC) (proportion of Wnt activating mutations is greater)
 - Monotherapy complete response
- Wnt activating mutations are associated with high levels of tumoral DKK1
- Wnt activating mutation + high tumoral DKK1 \rightarrow improved clinical benefit and longer PFS; early data trend toward longer OS
- DKN-01 is safe and well tolerated as monotherapy and in combination with paclitaxel

