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Single-agent dabrafenib for BRAF^{V600E}-mutated histiocytosis

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Introduction

- ECD and LCH are clonal disorders of the monocyte/macrophage and dendritic cell lineages
- Infiltration of multiple organ systems is common with a wide range of clinical phenotypes
- Both harbor BRAF V600E mutations in ~50% of cases

Vemurafenib / Dabrafenib

- Several retrospective and one prospective clinical trial demonstrated robust and durable response to vemurafenib
- Dabrafenib is another oral BRAF V600E inhibitor
- There is modest evidence of a lower incidence of adverse reactions in melanoma with dabrafenib
- Only single cases of dabrafenib for ECD
- No studies have explored the use of dabrafenib in vemurafenib intolerance

Objective

- Retrospective review of 10 patients with ECD or ECD/LCH treated with single agent dabrafenib as
 - 1) Initial histiocytosis therapy
 - 2) Following failure of conventional therapy
 - 3) Following discontinuation of vemurafenib therapy for toxicity or intolerance



Methods

- Patients were treated at MSKCC, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, and University of Florida
- All patients met previously published criteria for the diagnosis of ECD and underwent genomic analysis for BRAF V600E mutational status
- Doses ranged from 50mg BID to 150mg BID
- Best overall response by FDG PET/CT was used as a primary response assessment and MRI brain when appropriate

Results: Partial response with dabrafenib as initial ECD/LCH therapy

Patient	Age/ Sex	Clinical symptoms	Organs involved (LCH in bold)	Prior therapies	Toxicities (reason for dose reduction in bold)	Final dose	Response	Duration of therapy (ongoing)
1	66F	Ear pain, hearing loss, bone pain	Skullbase, bones	Skullbase radiation	Panniculitis (Grade 1)	50mg BID	PMR	11 months
2	31M	Dizziness, hearing loss, diabetes insipidus	Skullbase, cerebellum bones, retroperitoneu m	Cytarabine	None	150mg BID	PMR	13 months
3	70M	Skin and oral lesions, dyspnea	Skin, oral mucosa, lungs, bones	Prednisone	Fever (Grade 3), Periorbital swelling (Grade 1)	50mg BID	PMR	5 months
4	59M	Jaw pain, skin lesions	Skin, bones, dura	None	None	50mg BID	PMR	3 months



Pre-dabrafenib

Post-dabrafenib



Maintenance of response to prior treatment

Patient	Age/ Sex	Clinical symptoms	Organs involved	Prior therapies	Toxicities (reason for dose reduction in bold)	Final dose	Response	Duration of therapy (ongoing in bold)
4	49M	Bone pain	Retroperitoneum, bones, right atrium, peri-aortic tissues	Vinblastine/ prednisone, Vemurafenib, IFN- α	keratoacanthoma (Grade 1)	75mg BID	Maintained PMR from vemurafenib and interferon	19 months
6	58F	Bone pain, skin lesions, dysarthria, ataxia	Skin, bones, brain, peri-aortic tissues	Vemurafenib	Fever (Grade 1), arthralgia (Grade 1)	100mg BID	Maintained PMR from vemurafenib	11 months
7	75F	Bone pain, skin lesions, exophthalm os ataxia	Bones, orbits, dura, retroperitoneum skin (xanthelesma), right atrium	Vemurafenib	Fatigue (Grade 2) , arthralgia (Grade 2)	50mg BID	Maintained PMR from vemurafenib	4 months
9	77M	Proptosis, bone pain	Bones, orbit, craniofacial bones	Anakinra, Vemurafenib	Fatigue (Grade 2)	50mg BID	Maintained PMR from vemurafenib	9 months

Results: Recapturing a response with dabrafenib after stopping vemurafenib

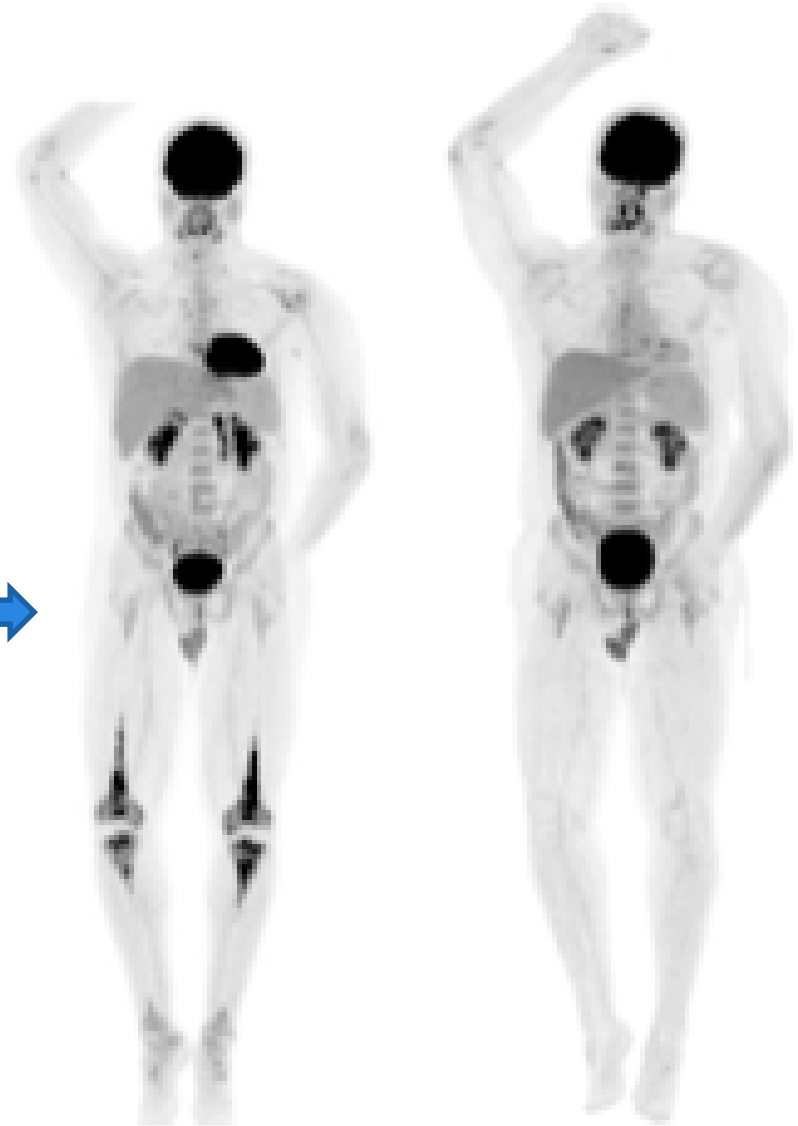
Patient	Age/Sex	Clinical symptoms	Organs involved (LCH in bold)	Prior therapies	Toxicities (reason for dose reduction in bold)	Final dose	Response (FDG-PET)	Duration of therapy (ongoing in bold)
5	55M	Ataxia, spasticity	Brain, bones, retroperitoneum, peri-aortic tissues, brain, spinal cord	Methotrexate, IFN- α , Vemurafenib	Fever (Grade 2) , keratosis pilaris (Grade 2), hypophosphatemia (Grade 2)	100mg BID	PMR of relapsed disease after cessation of vemurafenib	43 months
8	35M	Proptosis, ataxia, bone pain	Brainstem, skullbase, heart, orbits, retroperitoneum, peri-aortic tissue, bones	Vemurafenib	None	150mg BID	CMR ⁵ of relapsed disease after cessation of vemurafenib	16 months

Pre- and post- vemurafenib



Relapsed
disease
→
Cessation of
vemurafenib

Pre- and post- dabrafenib



Conclusions

- Treatment with dabrafenib was effective for BRAF V600E-mutant histiocytosis patients
- Including CNS
- Responses seen as initial therapy, maintaining a response to vemurafenib, or by recapturing a response in relapsed disease
- Dabrafenib was tolerated, including patients who could not tolerate vemurafenib
- Doses as low as 50mg BID were therapeutic



Moving forward

- Optimal dosing, duration of treatment with BRAF inhibitors unknown
- LOVE study demonstrated frequent relapse after cessation of vemurafenib
- Combination of BRAF / MEK inhibitors?



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