

# Afatinib followed by osimertinib in patients with EGFR mutation-positive (EGFRm+) advanced NSCLC: updated data from the GioTag real-world study

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### Introduction

#### EGFR TKIs in NSCLC

- EGFR TKIs are first-line treatment of choice for patients with EGFRm+ NSCLC
- Three generations of EGFR TKI are now widely available

EGFRm+, EGFR mutation-positive; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor

First-generation EGFR TKIs

erlotinib      gefitinib

Second-generation EGFR TKIs

afatinib      dacomitinib

Third-generation EGFR TKI

osimertinib

- Second- (afatinib and dacomitinib)<sup>1,2</sup> and third-generation (osimertinib)<sup>3</sup> EGFR TKIs have demonstrated superior PFS over first-generation EGFR TKIs
- However, the best first-line treatment choice and treatment sequence to maximise OS for patients with EGFRm+ NSCLC is currently unknown

#### Acquired resistance to EGFR TKIs

- The gatekeeper EGFR T790M mutation is a common resistance mechanism to first- and second-generation EGFR TKIs<sup>4</sup>
- Multiple mechanisms for resistance to osimertinib are reported, but no putative resistance mechanism has been detected in ~60% of cases<sup>5,6</sup>

OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival

#### Afatinib

T790M-positive acquired resistance in around 60–75% of cases (more common in Del19- than L858R-positive tumours)<sup>7</sup> facilitating second-line treatment with osimertinib<sup>8</sup>

Tumour cells with activating EGFR mutation → Afatinib treatment → Acquired resistance → Osimertinib → Osimertinib resistant cells

Cell with T790M resistance mutation\* → Selective pressure

#### Osimertinib

Heterogeneous resistance mechanisms<sup>5,6</sup>; no clear targeted treatments post osimertinib but some agents have shown promise in early phase trials<sup>9,10</sup>

C797S (7% of tumours)<sup>5</sup> → MET amplification (15%)<sup>5</sup> → Histological transformation (19%)<sup>5</sup> → No putative mechanism of resistance (~60%)<sup>5</sup>

\*T790M cells can be present in small numbers prior to treatment and can also emerge during treatment<sup>10</sup>

#### Rationale for sequential afatinib and osimertinib

- Most patients progressing on afatinib will be eligible for second-line treatment with osimertinib
- Osimertinib has shown first- and second-line (against T790M) activity<sup>3,11</sup>
- There is currently no standard targeted treatment for patients progressing on osimertinib

**A**

1<sup>st</sup>-line osimertinib (FLAURA)<sup>3</sup> → No standard targeted 2<sup>nd</sup>-line treatment

PFS: 18.9 months      PFS: ???

**B**

1<sup>st</sup>-line afatinib (LUX-Lung 3, 6, 7)<sup>1,12,13</sup> → T790M → 2<sup>nd</sup>-line osimertinib (AURA3)<sup>11</sup>

PFS: 11.0–11.1 months      PFS: 10.1 months

Hypothesis: Clinical outcomes with B > A???

### Introduction (cont'd)

#### The GioTag study: original analysis

- GioTag is a global observational study assessing clinical outcomes in patients treated with first-line afatinib and second-line osimertinib after detection of T790M

First-line afatinib

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Second-line osimertinib

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Median OS: Not reached

2 year OS: 79%<sup>14</sup>

- In the original analysis of the GioTag study, promising TTF was reported in patients treated with afatinib and sequential osimertinib in everyday clinical practice<sup>14</sup>
- Outcomes were particularly promising in Asian patients and patients with tumours harbouring a Del19 mutation

Overall n=204

Median TTF: 27.6 months (90% CI: 25.9–31.3)

Del19 74% (n=150)

Median TTF: 30.3 months (90% CI: 27.6–44.5)

Asians 25% (n=50)

Median TTF: 46.7 months (90% CI: 26.8–NR)

However, in the original analysis of GioTag, OS data were immature

CI, confidence interval; NR, not reached; TTF, time to treatment failure

### Objective

- To conduct an updated analysis of OS and TTF of patients treated in the GioTag study

### Methods

- The GioTag study is a global observational study across 10 countries (Austria, Canada, Israel, Italy, Japan, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Taiwan and the USA)<sup>14</sup>
- A maximum of 15 consecutive patients were enrolled from each site

The first global, observational study to evaluate outcomes of patients who received first-line afatinib followed by osimertinib (NCT03370770)

- Medical charts (62%) and electronic health records (38%) of consecutive patients treated in real-world practice were retrospectively reviewed
- Patients had EGFRm+ (Del19/L858R) TKI-naïve advanced NSCLC and were treated with first-line afatinib, developed T790M-mediated acquired resistance, and received second-line osimertinib treatment
- Primary outcome:** TTF
- Exploratory outcome:** OS

- This interim updated analysis (database lock April 2019) was performed when 42% of patients had experienced an OS event. TTF was also reanalysed
- Updated data were collected from available electronic health records from 94 patients (all from the USA)
- Final analysis, incorporating manual chart reviews from an additional 29 patients, is anticipated in early 2020

### Results

#### Patients

- Baseline characteristics of the GioTag patients have been described previously<sup>14</sup>
- Patients who are often excluded from clinical trials e.g. those with ECOG PS of ≥2, or those with brain metastases, were included
- Patients had diverse ethnicity; most patients were Caucasian, but the study included Asians and African Americans
- At the start of afatinib treatment, 74% of patients had EGFR Del19-positive tumours

ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status

203 patients treated with first-line afatinib and second-line osimertinib\*

15% of patients had ECOG PS of ≥2

10% had stable brain metastases

\*One patient was excluded from the updated analysis due to reports of conflicting data

#### Overall survival

- Median follow-up was 30.3 months (interquartile range 24.0–36.8)
- In this broad patient population, median OS was almost 3.5 years
- 80% of patients were still alive after 2 years
- In patients who received the approved 40 mg/day dose of afatinib, median OS was 45.3 months (90% CI 37.6–47.6)

#### OS: overall dataset

Afatinib followed by osimertinib	N=203
Events	85
Median OS, months (90% CI)	41.3 (36.8–46.3)

Afatinib followed by osimertinib	Del19 (N=149)	L858R (N=53)
Events	92	47
Median OS, months (90% CI)	30.6 (27.6–32.0)	21.1 (16.8–26.3)

### Results (cont'd)

#### OS: patients with Del19-positive tumours

Afatinib followed by osimertinib	Del19 (N=149)	L858R (N=53)
Events	58	27
Median OS, months (90% CI)	45.7 (45.3–51.5)	35.2 (32.0–39.1)

Patients at risk: 149 149 145 141 119 82 50 18 4 1 1

- Median OS was almost 4 years in patients with Del19-positive tumours
- In patients with Del19-positive tumours who received afatinib 40 mg/day, median OS was 45.7 months (90% CI 45.3–47.6)

#### Time to treatment failure

#### TTF: overall dataset

Afatinib followed by osimertinib	N=203
Events	140
Median TTF, months (90% CI)	28.1 (26.8–30.3)

Patients at risk: 203 203 181 157 125 72 40 21 7 2 1

- Median TTF was similar to that reported for the original analysis

#### TTF: patients with Del19-positive tumours

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#### Treatment with osimertinib

Median TTF: 15.6 months (90% CI: 13.8–17.1) with second-line osimertinib

Median treatment exposure: 16.2 months (range 0.1–27.4) with first-line osimertinib in FLAURA<sup>3</sup>

- Of note, prior treatment with afatinib did not appear to preclude prolonged TTF with second-line osimertinib (15.6 months)
- In the FLAURA trial, median exposure to osimertinib in a first-line setting was 16.2 months<sup>3</sup>

### Key findings and conclusions

- In this updated analysis of GioTag, median OS was almost 3.5 years, and the 2-year OS rate was 80%
- In patients with Del19-positive tumours, median OS was almost 4 years
- Overall, the median TTF was 28.1 months
- Median TTF with osimertinib was 15.6 months, indicating that substantial clinical benefit with osimertinib can be achieved in a second-line setting following afatinib
- These data, along with high rate of emergence of T790M in patients treated with afatinib, especially in patients with Del19-positive disease (~75%),<sup>7</sup> indicate that sequential afatinib followed by osimertinib is potentially a feasible therapeutic strategy
- Prospective data are required to evaluate the OS of patients treated with different EGFR TKIs, and sequential regimens, in patients with EGFRm+ NSCLC

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