

Prophylactic Interventions for Oral Toxicities With the GPRC5D×CD3 Bispecific Antibody Talquetamab in Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma: An Open-Label, Phase 2, Randomized Study (TALISMAN)

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Current status



TALISMAN opened for enrollment in August 2024

Registration



TALISMAN is a randomized, multicenter, open-label, phase 2 study



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This study will provide potential strategies to manage, prevent, and decrease the severity of talquetamab-related oral toxicities; needed data on taste-related assessment tools; and assessments of the potential impact of toxicities on patient treatment experience



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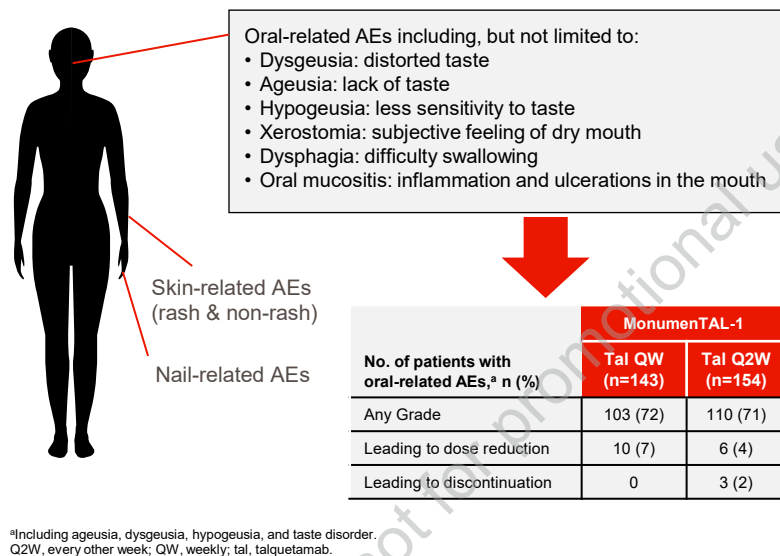
Introduction

- G protein-coupled receptor family C group 5 member D (GPRC5D), a novel antigen, has limited expression in normal tissue but is highly expressed on malignant plasma cells, making it a validated target in multiple myeloma¹⁻⁴
- Talquetamab is the first approved GPRC5D-targeting bispecific antibody for the treatment of patients with triple-class exposed relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma (RRMM) based on results from the MonumentAL-1 study (NCT03399799/ NCT04634552)^{1,5-7}
- On-target, off-tumor adverse events (AEs), including nail, skin (rash and non-rash), and oral toxicities, have been reported with GPRC5D-targeted therapies, including talquetamab^{7,8} (Figure 1)
- Although talquetamab demonstrated high overall response rates (ORRs) of ≥70% and durable responses in the MonumentAL-1 study, early onset oral toxicities, including dysgeusia, can impact patients' treatment experience⁷
- Current methods used to assess oral toxicities in clinical trials are not standardized and may not capture the impact on patients' experience⁸; thus, more formal, validated approaches are warranted

Objective

- This study aims to better understand oral toxicities, and investigate prophylactic interventions to prevent and/or limit the severity of talquetamab-related oral toxicities

Figure 1: AEs associated with GPRC5D-targeting therapies, including talquetamab



Methods

Study design and patients

- TALISMAN is a randomized, multicenter, open-label, phase 2 study (Figure 2)
- Patients are at least 18 years of age with documented RRMM per International Myeloma Working Group criteria and have measurable and progressive disease at screening
- At screening, patients must have an Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status (ECOG PS) of 0 or 1 and cannot have a severe score for dysgeusia per the Waterless Empirical Taste Test (WETT) scale
- Patients must be triple-class exposed, including to a proteasome inhibitor, immunomodulatory drug, and an anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody and be considered for treatment with talquetamab
- Patients who have received prior GPRC5D-targeted therapy are excluded from the study
- Target enrollment is 120 patients across study sites in 6 countries (Figure 3)

Treatment and procedures

- Patients are equally randomized to 1 of 4 cohorts: 1 control cohort and 3 experimental cohorts each receiving the following prophylaxis: dexamethasone mouthwash, oral pregabalin, or clonazepam orally dissolving tablets (Figure 2)
- The study will be conducted in 3 phases: screening (up to 28 days), treatment, and follow-up
- An interim data review will be conducted to evaluate study cohorts after approximately 15 patients have been treated with talquetamab for at least 3 cycles to avoid prolonged prophylaxis with no positive effects
- Patients will receive their prophylaxis 1 week before starting talquetamab, which will be administered at 0.8 mg/kg Q2W after 3 step-up doses
- A dose frequency reduction to every 4 weeks is permitted if the patient achieves a very good partial response (VGPR) or better or partial response (PR) or better starting at cycle 5 or 7, respectively
- Patients will receive talquetamab until progressive disease, death, intolerable toxicity, withdrawal of consent, discontinuation, or end of study, whichever occurs first
- Oral toxicities are evaluated with the following key procedures: taste assessment using WETT strips, patient-reported outcomes (PROs), optional tongue and/or salivary gland biopsies (only at selected sites), microbiome analysis via tongue swab (control cohort only), and salivary flow and specific protein content assessments
- Smell is evaluated by a smell assessment using the University of Pennsylvania Smell Identification Test and threshold testing

Assessment and endpoints

- Endpoints are summarized in the Table
- AEs will be graded by Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE) v5.0
- Cytokine release syndrome and immune effector cell-associated neurotoxicity syndrome will be graded by American Society for Transplantation and Cellular Therapy criteria
- Qualitative patient interviews will be conducted in the US to better understand patient experience

Figure 2: Study overview of TALISMAN

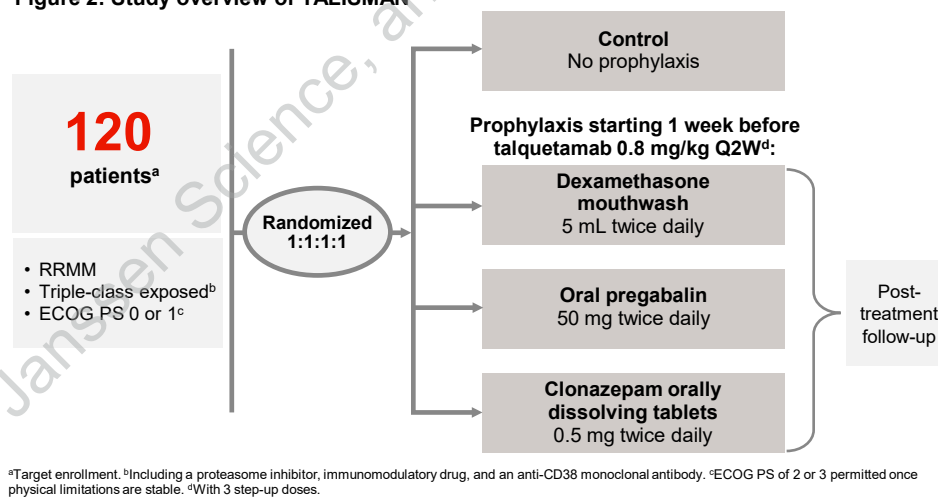


Figure 3: Countries with open or planned study sites for TALISMAN

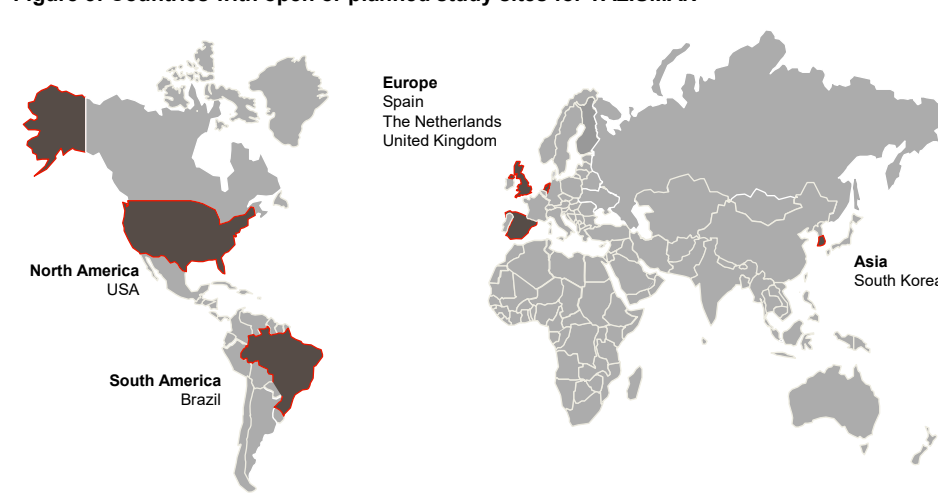


Table: Study endpoints

Primary endpoint	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The overall incidence, severity, onset, and rate of resolution/improvement of dysgeusia at 3 and 6 months determined by the total WETT score 	
Secondary endpoints	
Efficacy of prophylaxis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change from baseline in WETT score over time Percentage of time with dysgeusia Change from baseline in body weight and BMI over time Change from baseline in the results of the smell identification and smell detection threshold test 	Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incidence, severity, timing, and duration of AEs, including oral toxicities (dysgeusia, oral mucositis, dysphagia, and xerostomia)
Efficacy of talquetamab <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ORR (≥PR), rate of ≥VGPR, rate of ≥CR, duration of response, time to response 	PROs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change from baseline in health-related quality-of-life assessments, including EORTC QLQ-C30 and EORTC QLQ-OH15 Proportion of patients who report oral symptoms using the PRO-CTCAE, Short Xerostomia Inventory, Epstein Taste Scale, and Scale of Subjective Total Taste Acuity

BMI, body mass index; CR, complete response; EORTC QLQ-C30, European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer quality of life questionnaire core-30 item; EORTC-QLQ-OH15, European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer quality of life questionnaire-Oral Health.

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