

Treatment Positioning Model to Evaluate the Survival Benefit of Ciltacabtagene Autoleucel in Second-Line Compared With Later-Line Treatment of Lenalidomide-Refractory Multiple Myeloma

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Key Takeaway



Our simulation model suggests that using cilta-cel earlier in the disease course, as early as 2L, may result in better survival than using it for later LOT

Conclusions



Our simulation model estimated a longer survival benefit when using cilta-cel in 2L as opposed to using cilta-cel in 3L+



Models testing alternative distribution models as well as alternative attrition rates suggested longer OS with cilta-cel in 2L as opposed to using cilta-cel in 3L+



Continued investigation with additional real-world data is needed to further evaluate this model

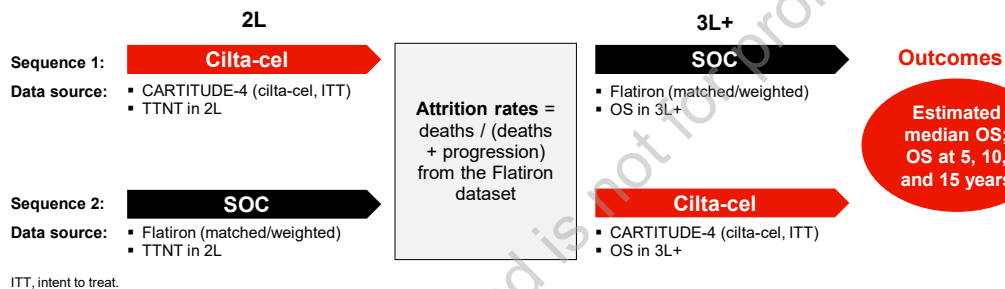
Introduction

- Patients with lenalidomide-refractory multiple myeloma (MM) with 1–3 prior lines of therapy (LOT) have poor outcomes^{1,2}
 - Earlier use of chimeric antigen receptor (CAR)-T cell therapies in these patients could lead to improved treatment responses, fewer patients lost to attrition,^{3,4} and improved long-term outcomes
- The CARTITUDE-4 study (NCT04181827) evaluated ciltacabtagene autoleucel (cilta-cel) vs physicians' choice of daratumumab, pomalidomide, and dexamethasone or pomalidomide, bortezomib, and dexamethasone, in patients with lenalidomide-refractory MM after 1–3 prior LOT⁵
 - At 15.9-month median follow-up, cilta-cel vs standard of care (SOC) improved progression-free survival (hazard ratio, 0.26 [protocol-specified weighted analysis] and 0.40 [protocol-specified unweighted analysis], both $P < 0.001$)
 - Overall survival (OS) data were immature at the time of data cut
- A modeling approach was adapted to evaluate the survival benefit of using cilta-cel vs SOC, from CARTITUDE-4 and the Flatiron Health MM database, earlier in the treatment pathway in patients with relapsed, lenalidomide-refractory MM

Methods

- A Markov model was used to compare the survival benefit of using cilta-cel in second-line (2L) followed by SOC in third-line (3L) or more vs 2L SOC followed by 3L+ cilta-cel
 - SOC therapies used may differ in 2L vs 3L+
- CARTITUDE-4 and the Flatiron Health MM database were used for the efficacy of cilta-cel and SOC, respectively (Figure 1)
 - The Flatiron Health MM database provides real-world data from de-identified patients and is a resource for evaluating various SOC therapies⁶
 - 2L cilta-cel was defined as CARTITUDE-4 patients who received 1 prior LOT; 3L+ cilta-cel patients received 2–3 prior LOT
- SOC was defined based on treatment regimens received by patients with lenalidomide-refractory MM previously treated in 2L and 3L+, with different distributions of treatments between 2L and 3L+
- Inclusion/exclusion criteria of the CARTITUDE-4 population were applied to the SOC population from the Flatiron cohort and weighted on key prognostic factors and treatment effect modifiers
- Time spent in 2L was defined by time to next treatment (TTNT) and attrition rate in patients on 2L; time spent in 3L+ was defined by OS in patients on 3L+
- Standard parametric survival models were used to estimate the transition probabilities over time⁷
- Attrition rates were assumed to be the same in both arms⁷

Figure 1: Treatment positioning model subgroup data overview

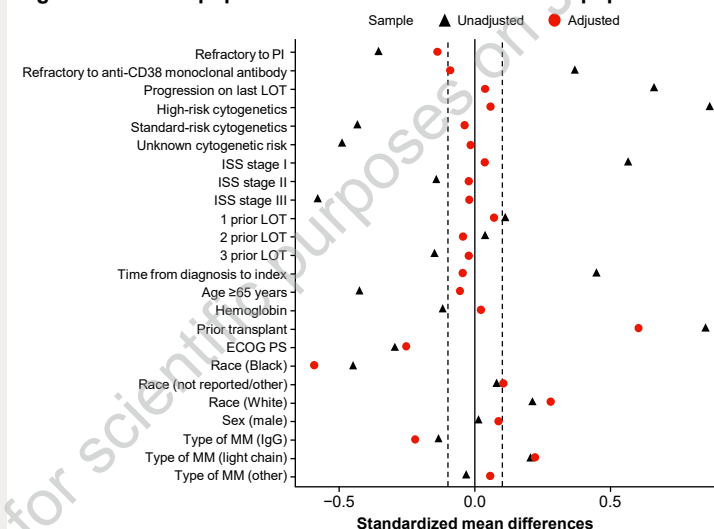


Results

Databases

- The cilta-cel arm of CARTITUDE-4 consisted of 208 patients (median follow-up, 15.9 months [range, 0.1–27.3])
- The adjusted Flatiron cohort consisted of 1977 observations (data from February 2016–December 2022; median follow-up, 33.8 months [range, 31.7–36.1])
- In this simulation model, key prognostic factors and treatment effect modifiers from CARTITUDE-4 (cilta-cel) and Flatiron (SOC) subgroups were matched and weighted (Figure 2)

Figure 2: Flatiron population matched to CARTITUDE-4 population



ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; IgG, immunoglobulin G; ISS, International Staging System; PI, proteasome inhibitor.

- The base case settings used in the model are detailed in Table 1

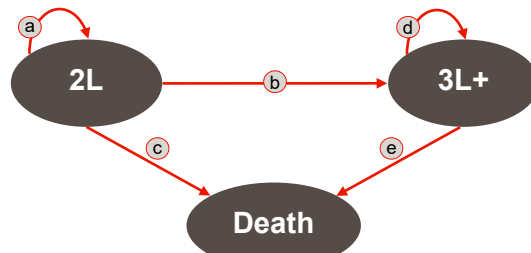
Table 1: Base case settings

| Patient characteristics | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Starting age, years | 60.1 |
| Female, % | 42.7 |
| Survival extrapolation | |
| General population mortality adjustment | Yes |
| Flatiron population adjustment | Adjusted (as per Figure 2) |
| Attrition rate, % | 17.1 (applied to both arms) |

Modeling

- A Markov model, including 2L, 3L+, and death was used (Figure 3)

Figure 3: Markov model



a, % patients who stay on 2L treatment, derived from 2L TTNT; b, % patients who are newly progressed, derived from 2L TTNT and attrition rate; c, % death during 2L treatment, derived from 2L TTNT and attrition rate; d, % patients who stay on 3L+ treatment, derived from 2L TTNT and 3L OS; e, % death during 3L+ treatment, derived from 2L TTNT and 3L OS.

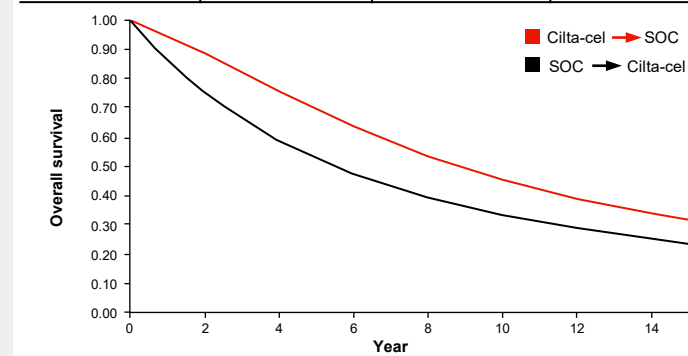
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- According to this simulation model, using cilta-cel in 2L resulted in longer OS benefit compared with using cilta-cel in 3L+ after SOC (8.8 vs 5.5 years, respectively; Figure 4)

Figure 4: OS (base case)

| | 2L cilta-cel → 3L+ SOC | 2L SOC → 3L+ cilta-cel | Difference |
|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Median OS, years | 8.83 | 5.50 | 3.33 |
| 5 year | 69.6% | 53.0% | 16.6% |
| 10 year | 45.6% | 33.6% | 12.0% |
| 15 year | 31.9% | 24.0% | 7.9% |



- Alternative long-term efficacy assumptions were tested using different distribution models for parametric extrapolations (Table 2)
 - The predicted OS was longer when using cilta-cel in 2L compared to 3L+ after SOC (8.2 vs 5.4 years, respectively)
- Alternative attrition rates (44.6%) were also tested, which included censored patients (Table 2)
 - The predicted OS was longer when using cilta-cel in 2L compared to using cilta-cel in 3L+ after SOC (7.4 vs 3.0 years, respectively)
- Alternative scenario analyses (data not shown) consistently demonstrated the survival benefit of using cilta-cel earlier vs later

Table 2: OS (alternative distribution and attrition rates)

| | | 2L cilta-cel → 3L+ SOC | 2L SOC → 3L+ cilta-cel | Difference |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Alternative distribution model | Median OS, years | 8.17 | 5.42 | 2.75 |
| | 5 year | 68.2% | 52.6% | 15.6% |
| | 10 year | 42.1% | 33.8% | 8.2% |
| | 15 year | 27.6% | 24.5% | 3.1% |
| Alternative attrition rates | Median OS, years | 7.42 | 3.00 | 4.42 |
| | 5 year | 61.9% | 38.2% | 23.6% |
| | 10 year | 41.0% | 23.4% | 17.6% |
| | 15 year | 29.4% | 16.5% | 12.8% |

Limitations

- Attrition rates in CAR-T patients are unknown, therefore the model assumed the same attrition rate as with SOC
- Utilizing a combination of data sources from clinical trials and real-world evidence poses challenges; however, it is currently the most effective approach available, and the objective of this study was to simulate against SOC
- The prespecified primary analysis of CARTITUDE-4 had a median follow-up of 15.9 months; additional follow-up is required to determine long-term efficacy
- Future validation of our treatment positioning model will be completed with a later CARTITUDE-4 data cut



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