

Merus closing in on cancer

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Merus Overview

Oncology-focused Company Developing Multispecific Antibody Therapies

- Bispecific and trispecific cancer therapeutic candidates in the human IgG format
- Common light chain technology permits broad, high throughput discovery of promising Biclonics® and Triclonics® antibodies with potential for meaningful clinical activity in patients

Established Pipeline with Multiple Active Molecules in the Clinic

- Petosemtamab granted fast track designation (FTD) for recurrent or metastatic head and neck squamous cell cancer (HNSCC)
- Zenocutuzumab (Zeno) granted breakthrough therapy designations (BTD) for NRG1 fusion (NRG1+) non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) and pancreatic cancer (PDAC)²
- MCLA-129³ highly active in an evolving competitive landscape of EGFRm NSCLC development

Strong Cash Position into 2027¹

- Sufficient data expected in 1H24 for Zeno in expected to support NRG1+ NSCLC and PDAC to support Biologics License Application (BLA) submissions
- Phase 3 trial of petosemtamab monotherapy in 2L+ HNSCC planned to start in mid-2024

Strategic Collaborations to Unlock Platform Value

• Multiple strategic collaborations and license agreements, leading to multiple Biclonics® candidates in clinical development for potential future milestone and royalty opportunities



¹ See November 2, 2023 10-Q noting our belief that our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, will fund our operations into 2027

² For further details of FTD and BTD designations see prior releases https://ir.merus.nl/news-releases

³ See ESMO Asia 2023 abstract data

Agenda



MCLA-129 Abstracts at ESMO Asia

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NSCLC Landscape & MCLA-129 Development Strategy



Q&A

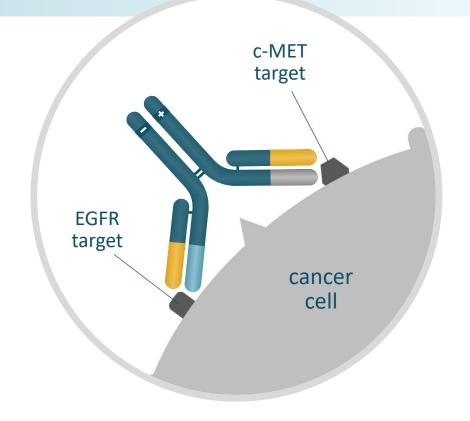


Designed to target lung cancer and other solid tumors expressing EGFR and c-MET

MCLA-129

EGFR x c-MET Bispecific

- Targets both EGFR and c-MET on cancer cells
- Modifications to enhance ADCC, observed preclinically to have greater potency than amivantamab in certain high-affinity (FcyRIII 158V) or low-affinity (Fcy RIII 158F) variant effector cells¹
- Significant potential opportunity in lung cancer and other solid tumors
- Phase 1/2 trial ongoing; 2H22 clinical update provided at the **EORTC-NCI-AACR 2022**
- Clinical data update from three expansion cohorts published at ESMO Asia 2023







Dose Escalation Phase of MCLA-129 in NSCLC and Other Solid Tumors*

Study Design

DOSE ESCALATION Metastatic or locally advanced GE/GEJ, NSCLC w/ EGFR mutation and/or c-MET mutation or amplification; HNSCC or ESCC without biomarker selection MTD/ 100me 22N (n-3) 100me

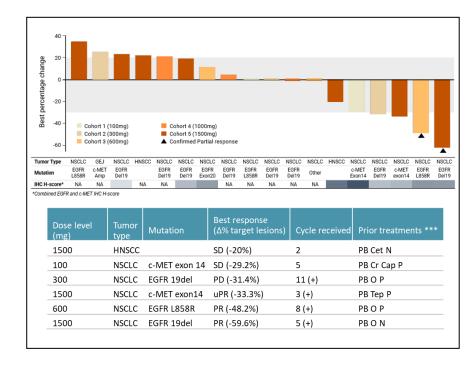
Expansion Cohorts Ongoing

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Cohort A: NSCLC with EGFR exon20 insertion
Cohort B: NSCLC with c-MET exon14 skipping
Cohort C: HNSCC
Cohort D + 3rd gen EGFR TKI: NSCLC 1L (EGFR sensitizing mutations)
Cohort E + 3rd gen EGRF TKI: NSCLC post-Osimertinib

Safety

	Irrespective of causality		Suspected related	
Preferred term	All grades n(%)	Grade 3-4 n(%)	All grades n(%)	Grade 3-4 n(%)
Any event	19 (95%)	9 (45%)	19 (95%)	4 (20%)
Infusion related reaction**	18 (90%)	1 (5%)	18 (90%)	1 (5%)
Dyspnea	11 (55%)	1 (5%)	9 (45%)	1 (5%)
Flushing	9 (45%)	-	9 (45%)	-
Nausea	9 (45%)	-	8 (40%)	-
Fatigue	6 (30%)	1 (5%)	3 (15%)	-
Back pain	5 (25%)	-	2 (10%)	-
Chills	5 (25%)	-	5 (25%)	-
Myalgia	5 (25%)	-	4 (20%)	-
Vomiting	5 (25%)	-	5 (25%)	-
Cough	4 (20%)	-	3 (15%)	-
Abdominal pain	3 (15%)	-	1 (5%)	-
Arthralgia	3 (15%)	-	2 (10%)	-
Dermatitis acneiform	3 (15%)	-	3 (15%)	-
Lipase increased	(15%)	-	2 (10%)	-
Oedema peripheral	3 (15%)	-	-	-
Pruritus	3 (15%)	1 (5%)	3 (15%)	1 (5%)

Efficacy



- No dose limiting toxicities (DLTs) reported
- The majority of IRR events occurred during the first infusion

^{*} Ou et al., EORTC-NCI-AACR 2022, data cutoff August 15, 2022; Safety: most frequent (>)10% adverse events among n=20 pts as of Aug 15, 2022 data cutoff date;

^{**} Grouped term covering all AEs occurring within 24 hours of the infusion considered by the investigator as an IRR;

^{***} PB: platinum based chemotherapy; O: osimertinib; N: nivolumab; P: pembrolizumab; Cr: crizotinib; Cap: capmatinib; Cet: cetuximab; Tep: tepotinib; (+) patient ongoing; PR partial response; uPR unconfirmed partial response; SD stable disease; PD progression disease

ESMO Asia Congress 2023 Abstract interim data in EGFRm NSCLC

Combination of MCLA-129 plus Osimertinib in EGFRm NSCLC



Enrollment and efficacy population as of a May 10, 2023 data cutoff date¹

- 48 patients with EGFRm (L858R or Ex19) NSCLC were treated with MCLA-129 and osimertinib
- 1L: n=14, 10 evaluable, median age 56 years
- 2L+: n=34, 22 evaluable, median age 61 years
 - Prior osimertinib as 1L/2L in all; 71% as the most recent therapy;
 - 24% received prior chemotherapy



Clinical activity² observed in 48 patients

1L EGFRm NSCLC:

- 2 confirmed and 6 unconfirmed partial responses (PRs)² (8/10, 80%; 95% CI 44-98)² by RECIST v.
 1.1 investigator assessment; all ongoing at data cutoff
- 90% (95% CI 56-100) disease control rate (DCR)
- 10 weeks median exposure duration with 93% of patients ongoing

2L+ EGFRm NSCLC:

- 6 confirmed and 5 unconfirmed PRs² (11/22, 50%; 95% CI 28-72) by RECIST v. 1.1 investigator assessment; 9 of 11 responses ongoing, including 4 of the unconfirmed PRs
- 82% (95% CI 60-95) DCR
- 10 weeks median exposure duration with 68% of patients ongoing



Safety profile (n=48)¹

- IRRs (composite term), regardless of causality in 85% (6% ≥ grade(G) 3)
- Skin toxicity (composite term) in 75% (4% G3)
- Venous thromboembolic (VTE) events in 15%; 4% treatment related
- Interstitial lung disease (ILD)
 - Treatment related ILD/pneumonitis in five patients (10%), two were G2, two were G3, and one was G5 and; one progressed to G5 after data cutoff date



ESMO Asia Congress 2023 Abstract interim data in HNSCC¹

MCLA-129 monotherapy demonstrated modest antitumor activity



Enrollment and efficacy population as of a May 10, 2023 data cutoff date

- 18 patients with previously treated HNSCC were enrolled
- Median age was 62.5 years and 83% were male
- Median of two prior lines of therapy, including anti-PD-(L)1 (78%), platinum-based chemotherapy (89%), and 28% received cetuximab in the recurrent/metastatic (RM) setting
- 12 patients were evaluable for response



Clinical Activity² observed in 12 patients

- 17% unconfirmed partial response by RECIST v1.1 per investigator assessment;
 1 of 2 responses was ongoing at the data cutoff date
- 67% (95% CI 35-90%) disease control rate (DCR)
- 8 weeks median exposure duration with 50% of patients ongoing at the data cutoff



Safety profile (n=18)

- IRRs (composite term), regardless of causality in 72% (28% ≥ G3), all on cycle 1 day 1, that led to treatment discontinuation in 2 patients
- Skin toxicity in 61% (11% G3)
- No cases of ILD or VTE



Next Steps

MCLA-129 is an active EGFR x c-MET bispecific



MCLA-129 in combination with osimertinib is active in EGFRm NSCLC

- Early efficacy of MCLA-129 in combination with osimertinib is comparable to recently published results from another EGFR x c-MET bispecific
- Treatment landscape in 1L and 2L+ EGFRm NSCLC continues to evolve



MCLA-129 is active in HNSCC

- Clinical activity of MCLA-129 is on par with cetuximab or other EFGR inhibitors
 - 17% ORR unconfirmed PRs;
 1 of 2 responses was ongoing
- MCLA-129 activity in HNSCC is inferior to Petosemtamab, which demonstrated 37% ORR¹ in 2L+ HNSCC
- Insufficient to warrant further development of MCLA-129 in HNSCC



Next steps planned for MCLA-129

- Continue enrollment in MET ex14 NSCLC
- Initiate cohort of MCLA-129 in combination with chemotherapy in 2L+ EGFRm NSCLC starting in 1Q24
- Ongoing follow up and biomarker evaluation in patients treated with MCLA-129 and osimertinib combination
- Focused investment

Petosemtamab has the potential to become the next standard of care in HNSCC

Merus Potential Milestones 2023-2024

PETOSEMTAMAB

in head and neck & other cancers (MCLA-158)

☑ Update on path to potential registration in HNSCC

- ☐ Initiate phase 3 monotherapy trial in 2L+ HNSCC (planned to start mid-2024)
- □ Evaluate the safety and tolerability of petosemtamab with Keytruda® as front-line therapy for advanced HNSCC expressing PD-L1 (CPS ≥ 1) (clinical update planned 1H24)
- ☐ Clinical data update on monotherapy in 2L+ HNSCC, including dose evaluation cohort (planned 2024)

ZENOCUTUZUMAB

in NRG1+ cancer & CRPC (Zeno, MCLA-128)

- **☑** Granted BTD for NRG1+ NSCLC & PDAC
- ☑ Update clinical data in NRG1+ NSCLC & PDAC (ESMO 2023)
- ☑ Initial clinical data in CRPC in combination with an ADT
- ☐ Enrollment and clinical follow up expected in 1H24 to support potential BLA submissions in NRG1+ NSCLC & PDAC

MCLA-129

in NSCLC & other cancers

- ☑ Clinical data update from three expansion cohorts (published at ESMO Asia 2023)
- ☐ Initiate cohort of MCLA-129 in combination with chemotherapy in 2L+ EGFRm NSCLC (planned 1Q24)
- **☑** Update clinical development strategy



