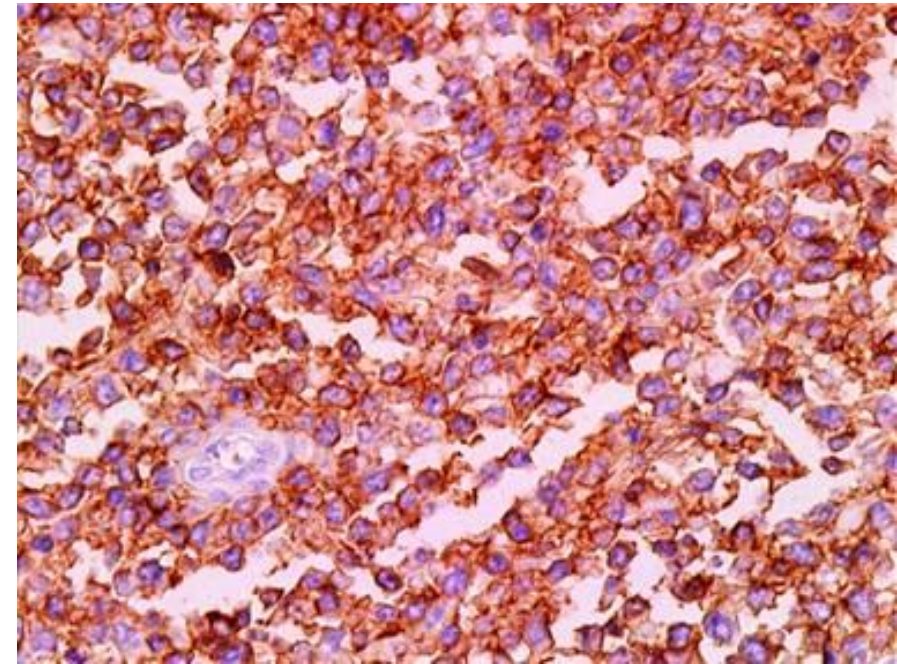


Raccomandazioni terapeutiche per pazienti “anziani e unfit”

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CD4+CD56+ hematodermic neoplasm
Blastic cell lymphoma
BLASTIC PLASMACYTOID DENDRITIC
CELL NEOPLASM, (BPDCN)

Precursor
haematologic
neoplasms



CD56

BACKGROUND

- There are several guiding principles in the treatment of older/unfit patients with BPDCN that differ from the younger/fit patient approach.
- Most, if not all, in this category will not be able to go for curative alloSCT.
- Subset of patients might be considered for autologous stem cell transplant (autoSCT)
- Not all patients with BPDCN will be eligible for CD123-targeted therapy as in the setting of baseline severe hypoalbuminemia, cardiac co-morbidities, or renal insufficiency.

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Table 3. Patient characteristics according to treatment

| | Chemotherapy+ allo-HSCT (n = 61) | Chemotherapy+ auto-HSCT (n = 16) | Chemotherapy without consolidation (n = 222) |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Age, median (range), y | 50 (18-70) | 63 (19-68) | 68 (18-87) |
| Disseminated with cutaneous involvement | 37 (60) | 12 (75) | 133 (60) |
| Disseminated noncutaneous | 12 (20) | 1 (6) | 20 (9) |
| Cutaneous isolated | 12 (20) | 3 (19) | 69 (31) |
| ALL-type | 33 (53) | 6 (38) | 57 (26) |
| AML-type | 16 (27) | 1 (6) | 36 (16) |
| NHL-type | 12 (20) | 9 (56) | 129 (58) |
| Response to treatment | | | |
| CR | 57 (94) | 16 (100) | 153 (69) |
| PR | 2 (3) | 0 | 31 (14) |
| PD | 2 (3) | 0 | 38 (17) |
| Relapse | 16/60 (27) | 5/16 (31) | 131/168 (78) |

Unless otherwise noted, data are n (%). Patients treated with new drugs (n = 6), radiotherapy (n = 27), or palliative approaches (n = 62) were excluded.

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Demographic and Baseline Disease Characteristics

TABLE 1. Baseline Characteristics of Patients Treated Once Daily With Tagraxofusp 12 µg/kg

| Parameter | 1L BPDCN (n = 65) | R/R BPDCN (n = 19) |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Sex, No. (%) | | |
| Male | 52 (80) | 16 (84) |
| Female | 13 (20) | 3 (16) |
| Race, No. (%) | | |
| White | 57 (88) | 17 (90) |
| Others | 8 (12) | 2 (11) |
| Age, years, median (range [minimum-maximum]) | 68 (22-84) | 72 (44-87) |
| ECOG, No. (%) | | |
| 0 | 31 (48) | 7 (37) |
| 1 | 31 (48) | 12 (63) |
| 2 | 2 (3) | 0 |
| BPDCN at baseline, No. (%) | | |
| Skin | 60 (92) | 15 (79) |
| BM | 32 (49) | 12 (63) |
| Peripheral blood | 17 (26) | 1 (5) |
| Lymph nodes | 33 (51) | 9 (47) |
| Visceral | 9 (14) | 4 (21) |
| Prior therapies, ^a No. (%) | | |
| 1 | — | 11 (58) |
| 2 | — | 3 (16) |
| 3 | — | 2 (11) |
| ≥ 4 | — | 2 (11) |

Abbreviations: 1L, first-line; BM, bone marrow; BPDCN, blastic plasmacytoid dendritic cell neoplasm; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; R/R, relapsed/refractory.

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VEN +/- CT

- Ven and HMA in 10 patients (median age; 70 years; 22–82) with BPDCN treated at the Mayo Clinic (n=5) and MDAnderson Cancer Center (n=5).
- 8 CR and 2 PR, 2 alloHSCT and 1 forthcoming
- Responses short lived (4 rapid relapses..)
- Safety profile more favourable

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Still a role for cytotoxic chemotherapy

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In older/unfit BPDCN

- mini-cyclophosphamide, vincristine, and prednisone (CVD) regimen (HCVAD minus the anthracycline; reduction of doses of all agents);
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- dose reduced AML-based regimens.



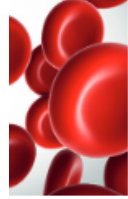
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Special Report

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tagraxofusp monotherapy or HMA + venetoclax combination in older/unfit patients are potential choices.

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