

# Sonrotoclax (BGB-11417), A Novel BCL2 Inhibitor, Plus Zanubrutinib Demonstrates Deep and Durable Responses in Relapsed/Refractory CLL/SLL: Updated Phase 1 Results

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# Introduction

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- CLL/SLL remains incurable as many treated patients experience relapse,<sup>1</sup> necessitating further treatment with novel agents
- Sonrotoclax (BGB-11417), a next-generation BCL2 inhibitor, is a more selective and pharmacologically potent inhibitor of BCL2 than venetoclax, with a shorter half-life and no drug accumulation<sup>2</sup>
- Zanubrutinib is a highly potent and selective next-generation BTK inhibitor that was designed to provide complete and sustained target inhibition and is the only BTK inhibitor to demonstrate superiority over ibrutinib in a head-to-head phase 3 trial<sup>3</sup>
- Fixed-duration therapies are emerging as a new treatment option<sup>4</sup>; however, there are no approved BCL2 inhibitor + BTK inhibitor regimens for patients with R/R CLL/SLL
- Here, updated safety and efficacy data, including preliminary results from time-limited therapy, are presented for patients with R/R CLL/SLL treated with sonrotoclax + zanubrutinib in the ongoing BGB-11417-101 study (NCT04277637)

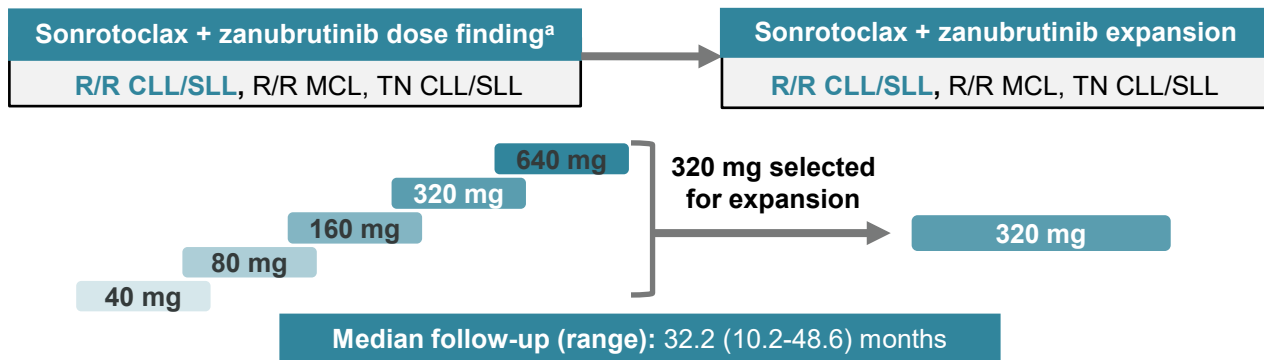
BCL2, B-cell lymphoma; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL/SLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma; R/R, relapsed/refractory.

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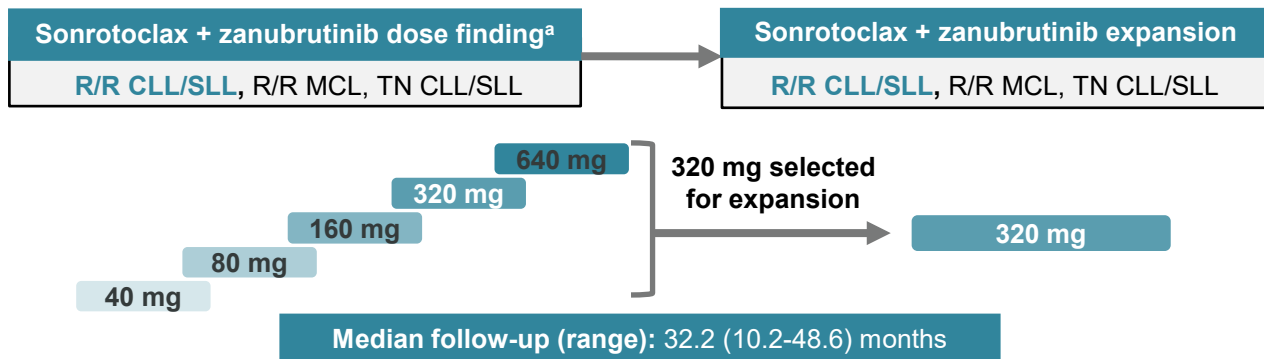
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- The primary endpoints are safety per NCI CTCAE v5.0, MTD, and RP2D
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# Baseline Characteristics and Demographics

| Characteristic                                                 | Sonro 40 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=4) | Sonro 80 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=9) | Sonro 160 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=6) | Sonro 320 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=22) | Sonro 640 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=6) | All<br>(N=47)       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Study follow-up, median (range), months</b>                 | 46.8<br>(10.2-48.6)         | 40.6<br>(22.9-47.3)         | 42.0<br>(41.1-43.6)          | 19.6<br>(13.2-39.7)           | 30.9<br>(23.8-35.5)          | 32.2<br>(10.2-48.6) |
| <b>Age, median (range), years</b>                              | 60.0 (50-71)                | 62.0 (55-75)                | 61.5 (41-76)                 | 67.0 (36-76)                  | 59.5 (53-69)                 | 65.0 (36-76)        |
| <b>Male, n (%)</b>                                             | 4 (100)                     | 8 (89)                      | 3 (50)                       | 18 (82)                       | 2 (33)                       | 35 (74)             |
| <b>ECOG PS</b>                                                 |                             |                             |                              |                               |                              |                     |
| 0                                                              | 4 (100)                     | 5 (56)                      | 4 (67)                       | 11 (50)                       | 4 (67)                       | 28 (60)             |
| 1                                                              | 0                           | 3 (33)                      | 2 (33)                       | 10 (45)                       | 2 (33)                       | 17 (36)             |
| del(17p), n/tested (%)                                         | 3/4 (75)                    | 4/8 (50)                    | 1/6 (17)                     | 3/18 (17)                     | 0                            | 11/42 (26)          |
| <b>del(17p) and/or TP53 mutation<sup>a</sup>, n/tested (%)</b> | <b>3/4 (75)</b>             | <b>5/8 (63)</b>             | <b>1/6 (17)</b>              | <b>7/19 (37)</b>              | <b>0</b>                     | <b>16/42 (38)</b>   |
| <b>Unmutated IGHV, n/tested (%)</b>                            | <b>2/4 (50)</b>             | <b>8/9 (89)</b>             | <b>3/6 (50)</b>              | <b>14/17 (82)</b>             | <b>3/5 (60)</b>              | <b>30/41 (73)</b>   |
| <b>Prior therapy</b>                                           |                             |                             |                              |                               |                              |                     |
| No. of lines of prior therapy, median (range)                  | 1.5 (1-2)                   | 1.0 (1-2)                   | 1.0 (1-2)                    | 1.0 (1-3)                     | 1.0 (1-1)                    | 1.0 (1-3)           |
| <b>Prior BTK inhibitor, n (%)<sup>b</sup></b>                  | <b>1 (25)</b>               | <b>1 (11)</b>               | <b>1 (17)</b>                | <b>3 (14)</b>                 | <b>1 (17)</b>                | <b>7 (15)</b>       |
| Prior BTK inhibitor duration, median (range), months           | 86.6<br>(86.6-86.6)         | 1.6<br>(1.6-1.6)            | 18.5<br>(18.5-18.5)          | 38.1<br>(34.2-49.1)           | 24.0<br>(24.0-24.0)          | 34.2<br>(1.6-86.6)  |

Data cutoff: March 1, 2025

<sup>a</sup>TP53 mutations defined as ≥5% variant allele frequency. <sup>b</sup>BTK inhibitor was the last prior therapy for 7 patients; all discontinued due to toxicity.

BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology group performance status; sonro, sonrotoclax; zanu, zanubrutinib.

## TEAE Summary

- No DLTs occurred and MTD was not reached; the sonrotoclax 320 mg + zanubrutinib cohort was expanded as RP2D
- Sonrotoclax in combination with zanubrutinib was well tolerated, with low rates of treatment discontinuation and dose reductions; no deaths were observed

| Patients, n (%)                  | Sonro 40 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=4) | Sonro 80 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=9) | Sonro 160 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=6) | Sonro 320 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=22) | Sonro 640 mg<br>+ Zanu (n=6) | All<br>(N=47) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Any TEAEs</b>                 | 4 (100)                     | 9 (100)                     | 6 (100)                      | 22 (100)                      | 5 (83)                       | 46 (98)       |
| Grade ≥3                         | 1 (25)                      | 7 (78)                      | 3 (50)                       | 18 (82)                       | 3 (50)                       | 32 (68)       |
| Serious TEAEs                    | 1 (25)                      | 3 (33)                      | 3 (50)                       | 11 (50)                       | 3 (50)                       | 21 (45)       |
| Led to zanu discontinuation      | 0                           | 1 (11) <sup>a</sup>         | 0                            | 2 (9) <sup>b</sup>            | 1 (17) <sup>c</sup>          | 4 (8)         |
| Led to zanu dose reduction       | 0                           | 1 (11) <sup>d</sup>         | 0                            | 2 (9) <sup>e</sup>            | 1 (17) <sup>f</sup>          | 4 (8)         |
| <b>Treated with sonro, n (%)</b> | 4 (100)                     | 9 (100)                     | 6 (100)                      | 22 (100)                      | 6 (100)                      | 47 (100)      |
| Led to sonro discontinuation     | 0                           | 0                           | 0                            | 2 (9) <sup>b</sup>            | 1 (17) <sup>c</sup>          | 3 (6)         |
| Led to sonro dose reduction      | 0                           | 0                           | 0                            | 1 (4) <sup>g</sup>            | 1 (17) <sup>f</sup>          | 2 (4)         |

<sup>a</sup>Due to intracranial hemorrhage. <sup>b</sup>Discontinued sonro and zanu due to myelodysplastic syndrome and meningococcal sepsis, n=1 each. <sup>c</sup>Discontinued sonro and zanu due to plasma cell myeloma. <sup>d</sup>COVID-19.

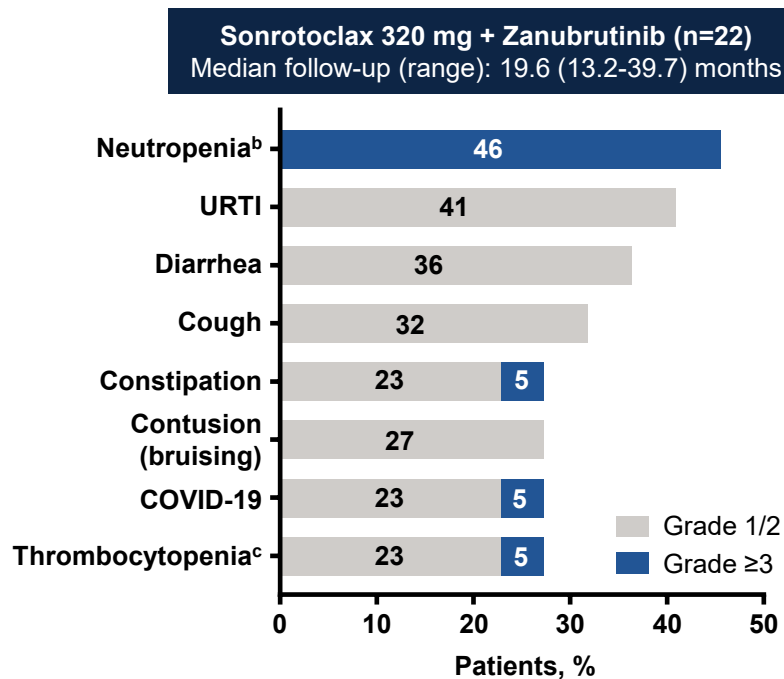
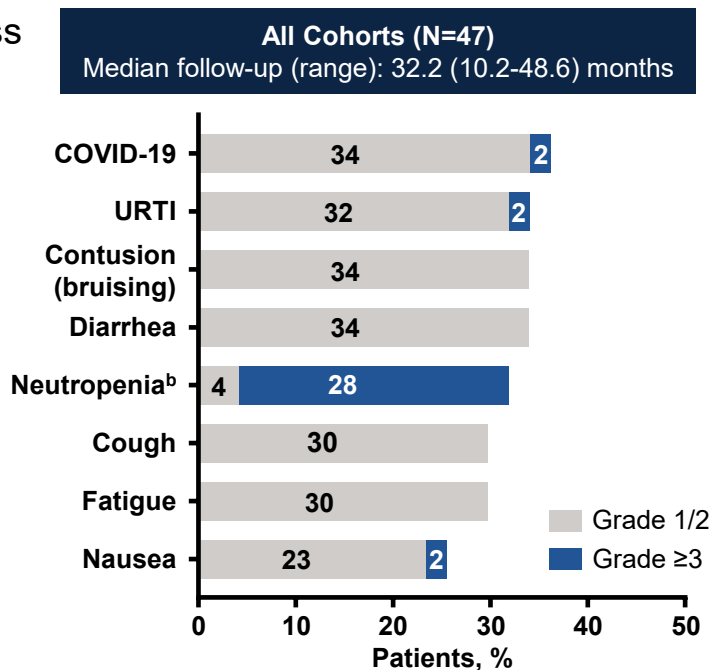
<sup>e</sup>Reduced zanu during lead-in due to neutropenia, n=1; COVID-19, n=1. <sup>f</sup>Reduced sonro and zanu due to COVID-19, n=1. <sup>g</sup>Due to cellulitis.

DLT, dose-limiting toxicity; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; RP2D, recommended phase 2 dose; sonro, sonrotoclax; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; zanu, zanubrutinib.

# TEAEs Observed With Sonrotoclax + Zanubrutinib Were Mostly Low Grade and Transient

- Toxicities were comparable across all dose levels
- No TLS or febrile neutropenia
- No dose reductions occurred due to diarrhea

TEAEs in  $\geq 25\%$  of all patients and those treated at sonrotoclax RP2D of 320 mg<sup>a</sup>



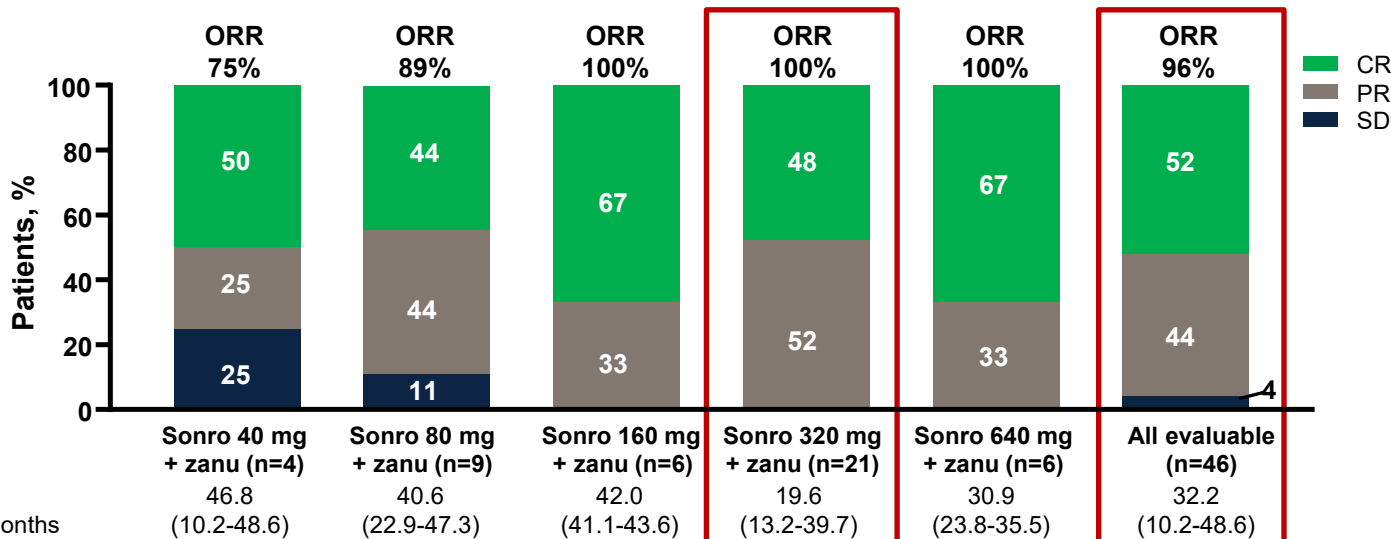
<sup>a</sup>Grade is listed as worst grade experienced by patient on any drug. <sup>b</sup>Neutropenia combines preferred terms *neutrophil count decreased* and *neutropenia*.

<sup>c</sup>Thrombocytopenia combines preferred terms *platelet count decreased* and *thrombocytopenia*.

RP2D, recommended phase 2 dose; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; TLS, tumor lysis syndrome; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.

# Sonrotoclax + Zanubrutinib Achieved High Response Rates Across All Dose Levels

- With a median study follow-up of 32.2 months, the ORR was 96%, with a 52% CR/CRi rate across all doses<sup>a,b</sup>
  - In the 320-mg cohort, the ORR was 100%, with a 48% CR/CRi rate
- The median time to CR or CRi was 10.3 months (range, 5.3-42.4 months)
  - In the 320-mg cohort, the median time to CR was 8.5 months (range, 5.3-22.8 months)
- Of 7 evaluable patients with prior BTK inhibitor therapy, 5 achieved PR and 1 achieved CR



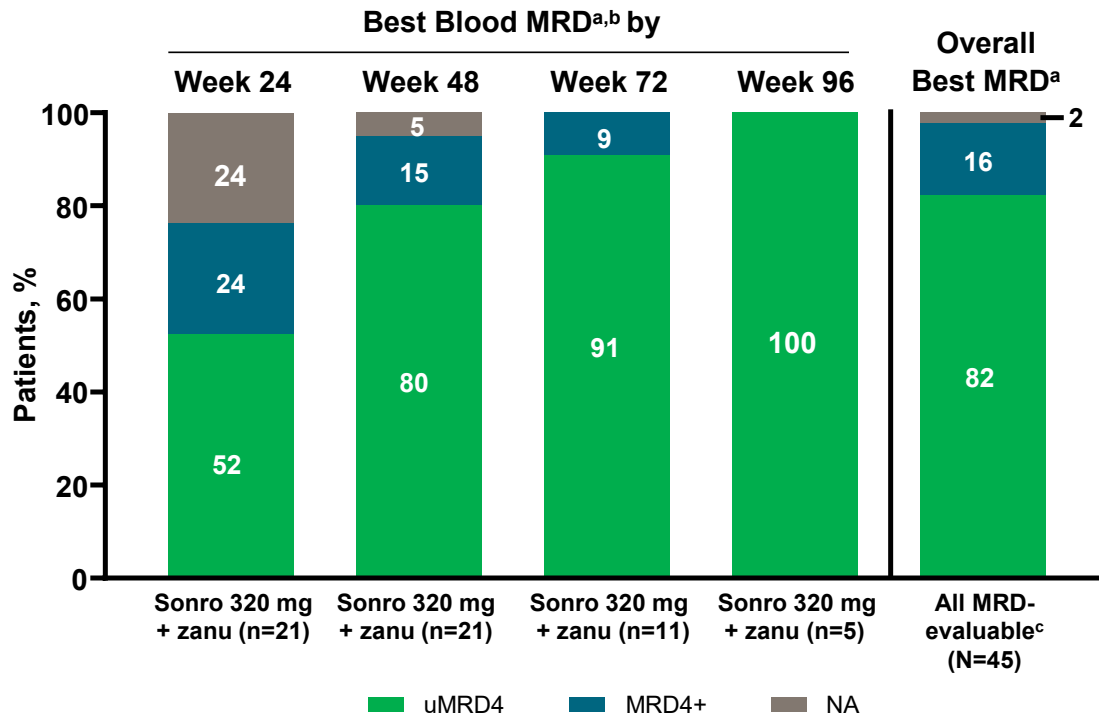
<sup>a</sup>Responses were assessed per 2008 iwCLL criteria and percentage of response is based on number of patients who had  $\geq 1$  post-baseline tumor assessment after sonrotoclax dosing. <sup>b</sup>ORR = PR-L or better.

<sup>c</sup>For all patients as treated (n=47).

BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CR, complete response; CRi, complete response with incomplete hematologic recovery; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response; PR-L, PR with lymphocytosis; SD, stable disease; sonro, sonrotoclax; zanu, zanubrutinib.

# Sonrotoclax + Zanubrutinib Demonstrated Early and High uMRD4 Rates, Which Deepened Over Time

- Of 45 MRD-evaluable patients, 37 (82%) achieved uMRD4 at the time of data cutoff
- All patients in the 160-mg, 320-mg, and 640-mg cohorts who reached week 96 achieved uMRD4
- In the 320-mg cohort, 4/6 patients with del(17p) or *TP53* mutation had uMRD4 by week 48



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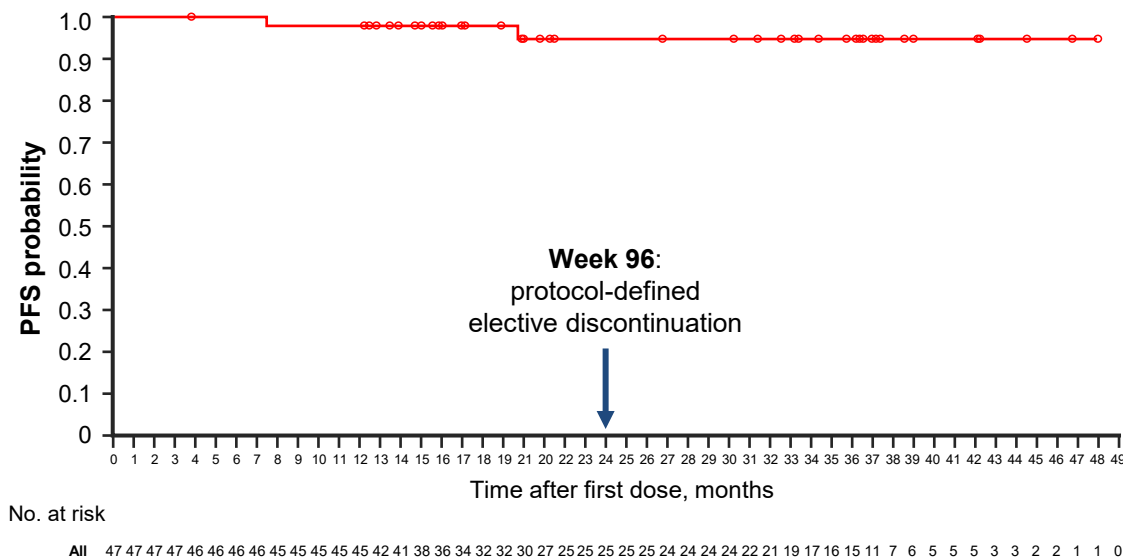
<sup>a</sup>Measured by an ERIC-approved flow cytometry method with  $10^{-4}$  sensitivity. uMRD4 defined as  $<10^{-4}$  CLL cells of total WBCs. MRD4+ defined as  $\geq 10^{-4}$  CLL cells of total WBCs. MRD is best reported within a 2-week window following the week 24/week 48/week 72/week 96 day 1 MRD assessments. <sup>b</sup>Weeks 24, 48, 72, and 96 of treatment at target dose, following zanu monotherapy and sonro ramp-up to target dose.

<sup>c</sup>All MRD-evaluable set includes patients with  $\geq 1$  post-baseline MRD sample or disease progression or death prior to MRD assessment, excluding those with baseline MRD level  $<10^{-4}$ .

CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; MRD, measurable residual disease; sonro, sonrotoclax; uMRD, undetectable MRD; WBC, white blood cell; zanu, zanubrutinib.

# Substantial PFS Rate is Observed Across All Dose Levels and Risk Factors

- Thirteen patients electively discontinued treatment after at least 96 weeks of therapy; as of the data cutoff date, all were in remission and had a median time of 4.5 months off treatment (range, 1.8-12.3 months)
- With median study follow-up time of 32.2 months, only 2 PFS events occurred on study:
  - 40 mg: del(17)p+
  - 320 mg: del(17)p+
- The 30-month PFS rate was 94.7% (95% CI, 79.9%-98.7%; median follow-up, 30.5 months)



## With Longer Follow-Up, Sonrotoclax + Zanubrutinib Continued to Demonstrate Compelling Safety and Efficacy in R/R CLL/SLL

- Sonrotoclax + zanubrutinib combination treatment had a tolerable safety profile in patients with R/R CLL/SLL at all dose levels tested
  - No TLS (laboratory or clinical) was observed
  - The most commonly reported TEAE was neutropenia, which was mostly transitory, with no cases of febrile neutropenia
- With a mFU of 32 months, substantial efficacy was observed in this R/R CLL/SLL population, including patients with high-risk features
  - The combination demonstrated a 100% ORR, with a CR/CRi rate of 48% at 320 mg with a high and early blood uMRD4 that continued to deepen over time
  - Thirteen patients electively discontinued treatment and continue to remain in remission

**These preliminary data highlight the potential for all-oral, time-limited therapy with sonrotoclax + zanubrutinib in patients with R/R CLL to drive meaningful disease control, regardless of del(17p) and/or *TP53* mutation status**

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