

# Zanubrutinib in Patients Intolerant to Ibrutinib/Acalabrutinib

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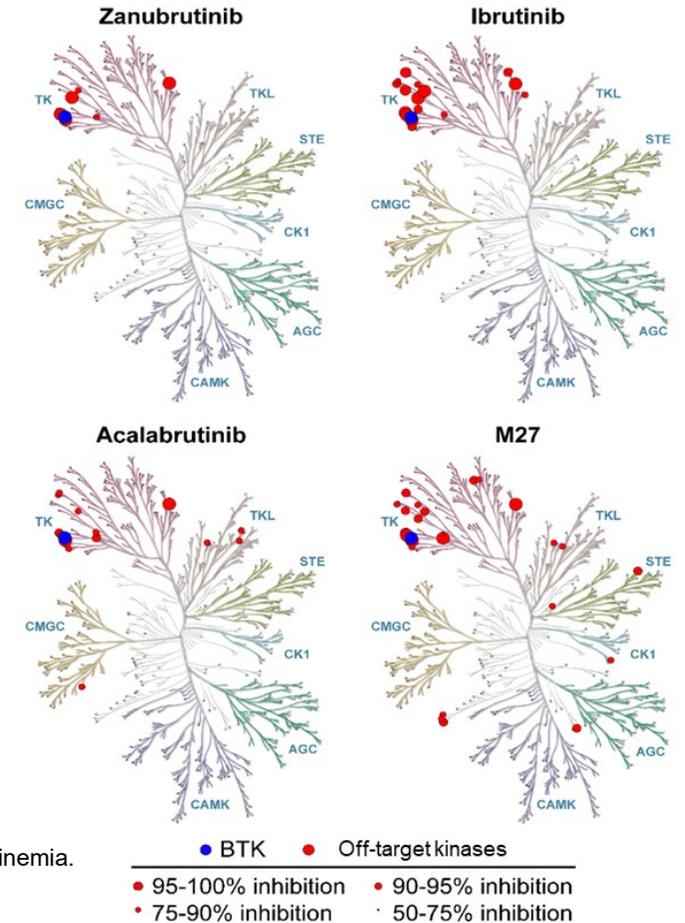
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# INTRODUCTION

- Patients with WM often require continuous treatment with BTK inhibitors; however, difficult-to-manage AEs may lead to treatment discontinuation<sup>1</sup>
- Zanubrutinib is a potent and selective next-generation BTK inhibitor designed to maximize BTK occupancy and minimize off-target kinase binding and associated AEs<sup>2,3</sup>
- Phase 3 studies in patients with CLL/SLL and WM have demonstrated that zanubrutinib has a more favorable safety profile than ibrutinib, especially regarding cardiovascular toxicities<sup>4,5</sup>
- Early data from the BGB-3111-215 study (NCT04116437) have shown that zanubrutinib is well tolerated in patients with B-cell malignancies who are intolerant to ibrutinib or acalabrutinib<sup>3</sup>
- Here, we present data on patients with WM from the BGB-3111-215 study

## Kinase Selectivity of Zanubrutinib, Ibrutinib, Acalabrutinib, and Acalabrutinib Metabolite M27

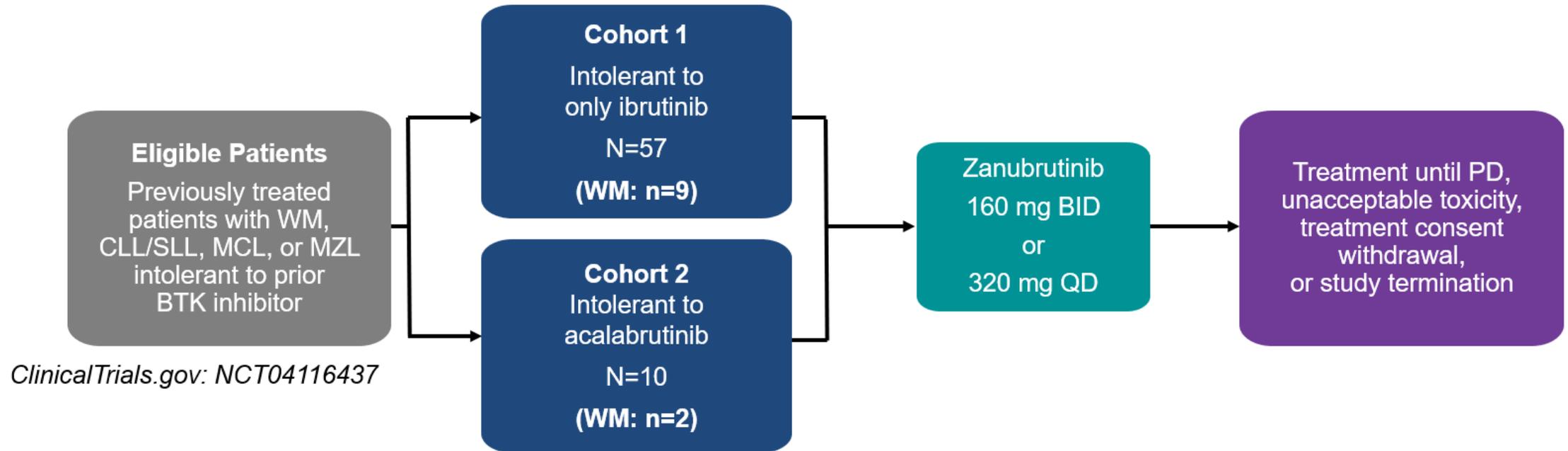


AE, adverse event; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma; WM, Waldenström macroglobulinemia.

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# BGB-3111-215 Study Design



- **Objective:** To report preliminary tolerability and efficacy results for patients with WM treated with zanubrutinib after discontinuation of ibrutinib or acalabrutinib for intolerance

BID, twice a day; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; MCL, mantle cell lymphoma; MZL, marginal zone lymphoma; PD, progressive disease; QD, once daily; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma; WM, Waldenström macroglobulinemia.

# BGB-3111-215 Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

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## Key Inclusion Criteria

- Ibrutinib and acalabrutinib intolerance
  - Grade  $\geq 2$  nonhematologic toxicity for  $>7$  days
  - Grade  $\geq 3$  nonhematologic toxicity for any duration
  - Grade 3 neutropenia with infection or fever
  - Grade 4 hematologic toxicity that persists until BTK inhibitor therapy is discontinued because of toxicity
  - Resolution of BTK inhibitor toxicities to grade  $\leq 1$  or baseline before initiating zanubrutinib treatment
- Additional acalabrutinib intolerance criteria
  - Grade  $\geq 1$  nonhematologic toxicity for  $>7$  days
  - Grade  $\geq 1$  nonhematologic toxicity of any duration with  $\geq 3$  recurrent episodes
  - Inability to use acid-reducing agents or anticoagulants due to current BTK inhibitor use
- Resolution of grade 1 BTK inhibitor toxicities to grade 0 or baseline before initiating zanubrutinib treatment

## Key Exclusion Criteria

- Disease progression during prior BTK inhibitor treatment

BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase.

# Baseline Characteristics of Patients With WM

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Characteristic	Total (N=11)
Median age, years (range)	71 (58-80)
Sex, n (%)	
Male	6 (54.5%)
Female	5 (45.5%)
No. of prior regimens, median (range)	2 (1-12)
Median time on prior BTKi treatment, months (range)	
Ibrutinib	11 (0.9-73.7)
Acalabrutinib	3 (1.6-4.6)
On-study zanubrutinib dosing regimen, <sup>a</sup> n (%)	
160 mg BID	6 (54.5)
320 mg QD	5 (45.5)

## Disease Staging and Genomic Status at Study Entry

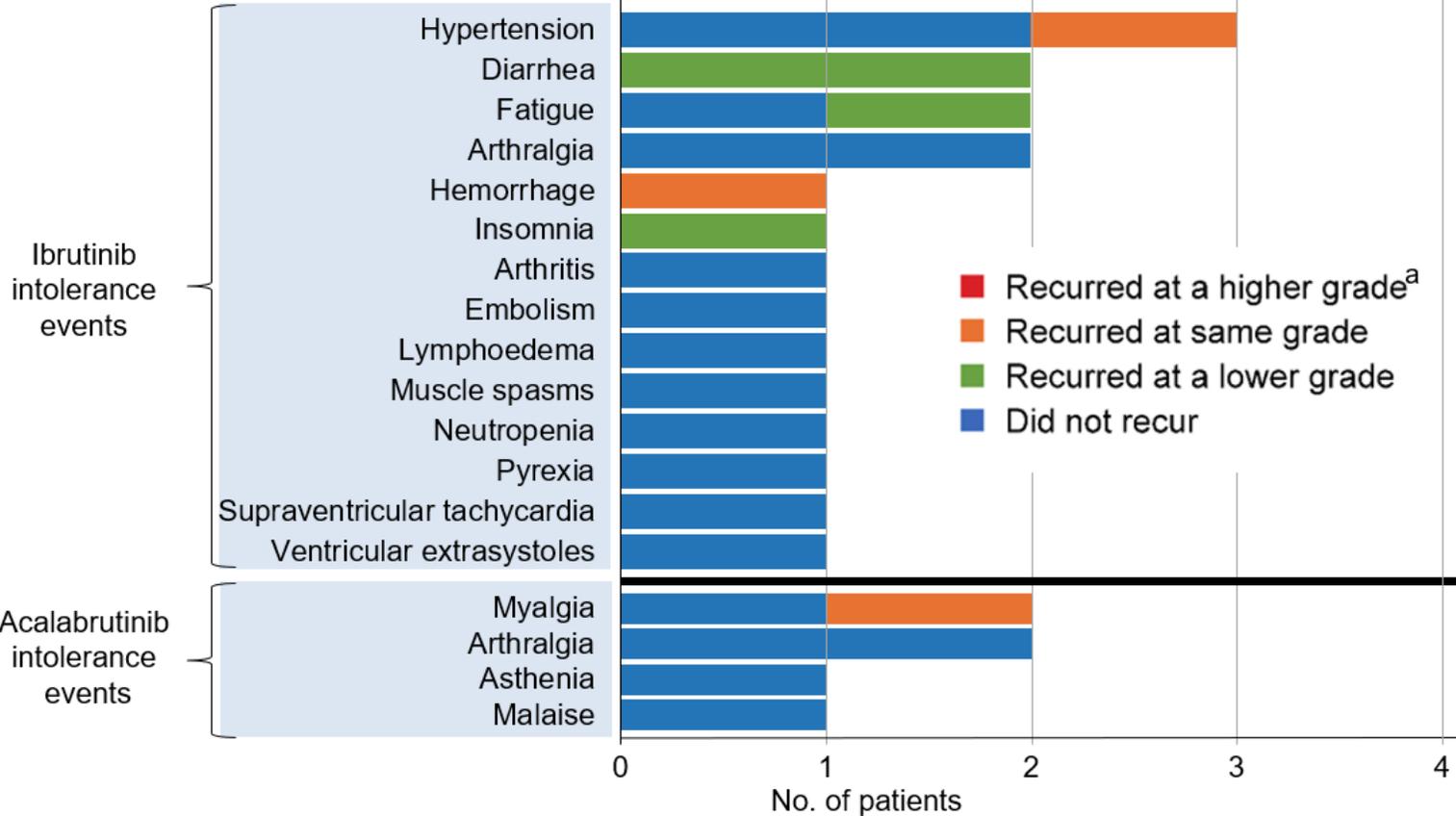
Characteristic	Cohort 1 (n=9)	Cohort 2 (n=2)	Total (N=11)
Disease staging, <sup>b</sup> n (%)			
Low-risk group	2 (3.5)	0	2 (3.0)
Intermediate-risk group	3 (5.3)	1 (10.0)	4 (6.0)
High-risk group	0	0	0
Unknown	4 (7.0)	1 (10.0)	5 (7.5)

Median follow-up on March 17, 2022: 14.9 months. Median duration of treatment: 14.9 months (range, 6.5-20.5).

<sup>a</sup>Received ≥1 zanubrutinib dose. <sup>b</sup>WM International Staging System.

BID, twice daily; BTKi, Bruton tyrosine kinase inhibitor; CXCR4, C-X-C chemokine receptor type 4 gene; MYD88, myeloid differentiation primary response 88 gene; QD, once daily; WM, Waldenström macroglobulinemia.

# Recurrence and Severity Change of Intolerance AEs on Zanubrutinib in Patients With WM



- 68% (13/19) of AEs that resulted from ibrutinib treatment did not recur with zanubrutinib
- 83% (5/6) of AEs that resulted from acalabrutinib treatment did not recur with zanubrutinib
- Events that did recur mostly recurred at a lower grade (diarrhea, fatigue, insomnia)
- 45% (5/11) of patients did not experience recurrence of any prior BTK inhibitor–related intolerance AE on zanubrutinib

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<sup>a</sup>No intolerance AEs recurred at a higher grade.

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# Any-Grade AEs Occurring in $\geq 2$ Patients and All-Grade $\geq 3$ AEs

AE, n (%)	Any grade (N=11)	Grade $\geq 3$ (N=11)
<b>Any AE</b>	11 (100)	2 (18.2)
Contusion	4 (36.4)	0
Fatigue	4 (36.4)	0
Alopecia	2 (18.2)	0
Back pain	2 (18.2)	0
Diarrhea	2 (18.2)	0
Dizziness	2 (18.2)	0
Fall	2 (18.2)	0
Muscle spasms	2 (18.2)	0
Myalgia	2 (18.2)	0
Neutrophil count decreased	2 (18.2)	1 (9.1) <sup>a</sup>
Petechiae	2 (18.2)	0
Pyrexia	2 (18.2)	0
Rash	2 (18.2)	0
Thrombocytopenia	2 (18.2)	0
Urinary tract infection	2 (18.2)	0
ALT increased	0	1 (9.1) <sup>b</sup>
AST increased	0	1 (9.1) <sup>b</sup>
Neutropenia	0	1 (9.1) <sup>a</sup>
Platelet count decreased	0	1 (9.1) <sup>a</sup>

AE, n (%)	Any grade (N=11)	Grade $\geq 3$ (N=11)
<b>Serious AE</b>	1 (9.1) <sup>c</sup>	0
<b>Leading to treatment discontinuation</b>	2 (18.2)	1 (9.1) <sup>b</sup>
Cardiac AEs	0	0
<b>Leading to dose interruption</b>	3 (27.3)	1 (9.1) <sup>b</sup>
<b>Leading to dose reduction</b>	2 (18.2)	0
<b>Leading to death</b>	0	0

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<sup>a</sup>Grade 3 neutrophil count decreased, neutropenia, and platelet count decreased all occurred in the same patient. <sup>b</sup>Grade 3 ALT increased and AST increased occurred in the same patient, leading to dose interruption and treatment discontinuation. <sup>c</sup>Due to COVID-19 pneumonia.

AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase.

# Cardiovascular Disorders in Patients With B-Cell Malignancies

Category	Pooled analysis B-cell malignancies <sup>d</sup>	
	Zanubrutinib (N=1550)	Ibrutinib (N=422)
Median treatment duration, months	26.64	19.96
<b>Any cardiovascular AE, n (%)</b>		
Atrial fibrillation/flutter*	60 (3.9)	60 (14.2)
	EAIR: 0.13 vs 0.82 person-month ( $p < 0.0001$ )	
Ventricular arrhythmia (grade $\geq 2$ ) <sup>a</sup>	11 (0.7)	6 (1.4)
Symptomatic Idiopathic (grade $\geq 2$ ) <sup>b</sup>	5 (0.3)*	6 (1.4)*
	EAIR: 0.14 vs 0.87 per 100 person-years ( $p = 0.0028$ )	
Hypertension <sup>c,*</sup>	225 (14.5)	85 (20.1)
<b>Any cardiovascular medical history, n (%)</b>		
Atrial fibrillation/flutter	101 (6.5)	26 (6.2)
Ventricular arrhythmia <sup>a</sup>	14 (0.9)	1 (0.2)
Hypertension <sup>c</sup>	669 (43.2)	206 (48.8)

Data cutoff: March 31, 2021.

<sup>a</sup>Including ventricular tachyarrhythmia (SMQ narrow), ventricular arrhythmias and cardiac arrest (high-level term MedDRA v24.0). <sup>b</sup>Symptomatic idiopathic ventricular arrhythmia was defined as a ventricular arrhythmia occurring in structurally normal hearts in the absence of myocardial scarring as well as active infections and grade  $\geq 2$  per CTCAE. <sup>c</sup>Including hypertension (SMQ narrow). <sup>d</sup>Pooled analysis of 10 clinical studies of zanubrutinib.<sup>1</sup> \* $p < 0.05$  for EAIR difference between treatments.

AE, adverse event; CTCAE, Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; MedDRA, Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities; SMQ, standardized MedDRA query.

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# Efficacy by Investigator Assessment

<b>Response</b>	<b>WM (n=11)</b>
<b>DCR [SD or better], n (%)</b>	11 (100)
<b>ORR [better than SD], n (%)</b>	10 (90.9)
<b>BOR rate, n (%)</b>	
VGPR	5 (45.5)
PR	3 (27.3)
MR or better	2 (18.2)
SD	1 (9.1)
<b>Median time to BOR, months (range)</b>	5.6 (2.7-8.8)
<b>Median time to first overall response, median, months (range)</b>	4.6 (2.7-8.5)

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BOR, best overall response; DCR, disease control rate; MR, minor response; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease; VGPR, very good partial response; WM, Waldenström macroglobulinemia.

# CONCLUSIONS

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- Consistent with a more selective BTK inhibition, zanubrutinib demonstrated few AEs associated with off-target kinase activity in patients with WM intolerant to ibrutinib and/or acalabrutinib
- Most AEs that led to ibrutinib and/or acalabrutinib treatment discontinuation did not recur with zanubrutinib
- All efficacy evaluable patients with WM maintained (n=1; 9.1%) or improved (n=10; 90.9%) their disease status from baseline on study entry
- Our safety data demonstrate that zanubrutinib was well tolerated in patients with WM previously intolerant to ibrutinib and/or acalabrutinib
  - Few patients discontinued zanubrutinib due to AEs
  - Cardiovascular AEs were less common in patients receiving zanubrutinib compared with ibrutinib
- Designed to minimize side effects associated with off-target binding, zanubrutinib is a viable treatment option for patients with WM intolerant to other BTK inhibitors

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