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### **NCCN Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) Panel**

#### **Re: Request for clarification of VYXEOS<sup>®</sup> recommendations in the NCCN AML Guidelines**

On behalf of Jazz Pharmaceuticals, I respectfully request the NCCN AML Panel to review the following observations and suggested changes regarding VYXEOS<sup>®</sup> (dual-drug liposomal cytarabine and daunorubicin):

**Observation 1:** Results of our Wave 2 AML Chart Study<sup>1</sup> revealed that a significant fraction of clinicians are using other regimens as second induction (43%) or consolidation (62%) after VYXEOS first induction. This treatment approach is not supported by the phase 3 randomized controlled registrational study in which VYXEOS was used consistently through all treatment phases.<sup>2,3</sup> This observation of mixed regimens also occurs in APL which is currently addressed by footnote g in the APL algorithm of the NCCN guideline. Similar NCCN guidance will be valuable for AML treatment.

#### Suggested change:

- We respectfully suggest adding a similar footnote as **APL's footnote g** to the AML algorithm (**AML-9, AML-13** for re-induction, **AML-11, AML-14** for consolidation): *"To achieve the expected results, one needs to use the regimen consistently through all treatment phases and not mix induction from one treatment approach with consolidation from another."*

**Observation 2:** Currently, VYXEOS is the only category 1, FDA-approved option for induction in patients  $\geq 60$ y with unfavorable-risk AML based on randomized phase 3 study evidence; however, this is not reflected in the order of listing.

#### Suggested Change:

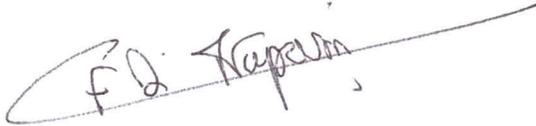
- We respectfully suggest moving VYXEOS (dual-drug liposomal cytarabine and daunorubicin) from the last option to the first option in **AML-12 (AML  $\geq 60$ y, Candidate for intensive remission induction therapy, unfavorable cytogenetic/molecular markers/Antecedent hematologic disorder/Therapy-related AML)**

FDA Clearance: VYXEOS is a liposomal combination of daunorubicin, an anthracycline topoisomerase inhibitor, and cytarabine, a nucleoside metabolic inhibitor, that is indicated for the treatment of adults with newly-diagnosed therapy-related Acute Myeloid Leukemia (t-AML) or AML with myelodysplasia-related changes (AML-MRC).<sup>4</sup>

Summary of Evidence Supporting Suggested Changes:

Dual-drug liposomal encapsulation of cytarabine and daunorubicin (VYXEOS) is the first nano-scale liposome co-formulation to receive an FDA indication for adults with AML.<sup>4</sup> The pivotal, phase 3, randomized, open-label study enrolled 309 patients with newly-diagnosed secondary/high-risk AML.<sup>2</sup> Patients in the VYXEOS arm received up to 2 inductions and up to 2 consolidations with VYXEOS and patients in the control arm received conventional standard-dose cytarabine and daunorubicin (7+3 for first induction, 5+2 for second induction and consolidation). Mix regimen was not allowed in the study protocol. VYXEOS significantly improved overall survival (HR, 0.69; 1-sided  $P=0.005$ ; median OS, 9.56 vs. 5.95 months), and VYXEOS demonstrated significantly higher overall remission rates (CR + CRi) compared with control (47.7% vs 33.3%; two-sided  $P = .016$ ) and CR rate (37.3% vs 25.6%; two-sided  $P = .040$ ).<sup>2,4</sup> A post-hoc analysis showed that for patients who received consolidation, those in the VYXEOS arm ( $n = 49$ ) had greater median survival than those in the control arm ( $n = 32$ ) (25.4 vs. 8.5 months; HR, 0.44; 95% CI, 0.25-0.77).<sup>3</sup> Grade 3-5 adverse events were similar between the two groups.<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,



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