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Results from PIONEER: a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 2 study of avapritinib in patients with indolent systemic mastocytosis

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Systemic mastocytosis is a clonal mast cell neoplasm driven by the *KIT* D816V mutation^{1,2}



- MC hyperactivation, proliferation and mediator release are responsible for debilitating skin, gastrointestinal and neurological symptoms³⁻⁵

- There are no approved disease-modifying therapies for patients with indolent SM
- Avapritinib, a highly potent and selective *KIT* D816V inhibitor, markedly reduced MC burden in the EXPLORER phase 1 study in patients with advanced SM^{6,7}



Baseline

On study

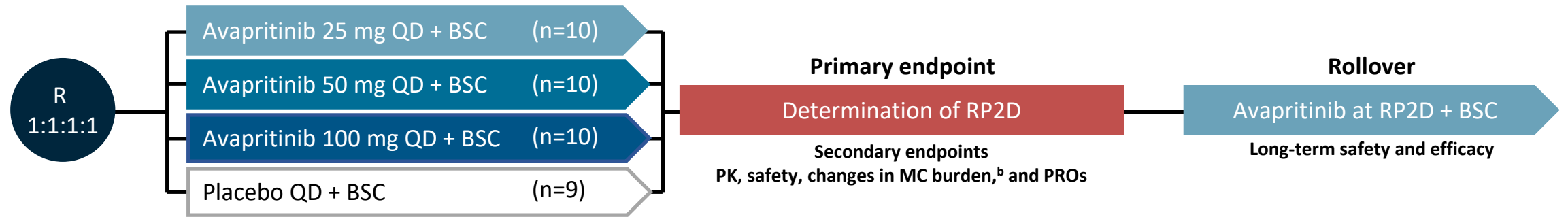
PIONEER (NCT03731260) is a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 2 study of avapritinib versus placebo in patients with indolent SM and symptoms inadequately controlled by supportive care



PIONEER part 1 study design

Key eligibility criteria

- Age ≥ 18 years, ECOG PS 0–2
- Indolent SM confirmed by central pathology review of BM biopsy and central review of B- and C-findings, according to WHO criteria
- Moderate-to-severe symptoms^a despite ≥ 2 BSC medications



- PIONEER part 2 is currently enrolling, aiming to assess the safety and efficacy of avapritinib RP2D¹
- Patients who complete PIONEER part 1 or part 2 will be eligible to enter an open-label extension to evaluate the long-term safety and efficacy of avapritinib RP2D
- ISM-SAF is a reliable construct valid PRO tool for indolent SM²
 - Clinical benefit measure and primary endpoint in PIONEER part 2
 - Symptoms in 3 domains scored daily from 0–10, to generate a TSS from 0–110, and analyzed as a 14-day moving average



Baseline clinical characteristics and patient disposition

Patient demographic		All doses (n=39)		
Age (years), median (range)		51 (21–75)		
Female, n (%)		30 (77)		
ECOG PS, n (%)				
0		12 (31)		
1		19 (49)		
2		8 (21)		
Mast cell burden		All doses (n=39)		
Central diagnosis of indolent SM, n (%)		39 (100)		
Tryptase (central) ng/mL, mean (SD)		84 (101)		
Median (range)		45 (6–416)		
<11.4 ng/mL, n (%)		3 (8)		
11.4 to 20 ng/mL, n (%)		6 (15)		
>20 ng/mL, n (%)		30 (77)		
Bone marrow core biopsy MC (central), %				
Mean (SD)		16 (16)		
Median (range)		10 (1–60)		
MC aggregates present, %		90		
KIT D816V mutation	Local^a	Central NGS^b	Central ddPCR^c	
Detected, n (%)	31 (80)	11 (28)	37 (95)	
Median MAF, % (range)	–	11 (1.9–32)	0.36 (0.02–30.22)	

SM therapy	All doses (n=39)
Prior cytoreductive therapy, n (%)	6 (15)
Midostaurin, imatinib, dasatinib, masitinib	5 (13)
Interferon-alfa	1 (3)
Baseline supportive care medications, median (range)	4 (2–9)
H1 blockers, n (%)	37 (95)
H2 blockers, n (%)	30 (77)
Leukotriene receptor antagonists, n (%)	23 (59)
Proton pump inhibitors, n (%)	18 (46)
Cromolyn sodium, n (%)	12 (31)
Corticosteroids, n (%)	6 (15)
Omalizumab, n (%)	9 (23)
Patient disposition	
Weeks on study, median (range)	18 (1–36)
Still on study, n (%)	37 (95)
Discontinued study, n (%)	2 (5)
Patient decision, n	1
Protocol non-compliance, n	1

Based on data cut-off date of December 27, 2019



Avapritinib was well tolerated across all doses

AEs in ≥15% of placebo or combined avapritinib arms (any grade) ^a	Placebo (n=9)		Avapritinib					
	Any grade	Grade 3	25 mg (n=10)		50 mg (n=10)		100 mg (n=10)	
			Any grade	Grade 3	Any grade	Grade 3	Any grade	Grade 3
Patients with AE, %	89	22	100	0	80	20	90	40
Bone pain	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arthralgia	22	0	10	0	10	0	0	0
Nausea	22	0	10	0	60	10	40	0
Dizziness	22	0	30	0	30	0	40	0
Headache	11	0	30	0	30	10	30	10
Diarrhea	11	0	0	0	40	10	30	10
Fatigue	11	0	40	0	10	0	10	0
Face edema	0	0	10	0	0	0	40	0
Peripheral edema	0	0	10	0	20	0	20	0
Periorbital edema	0	0	0	0	20	0	30	0

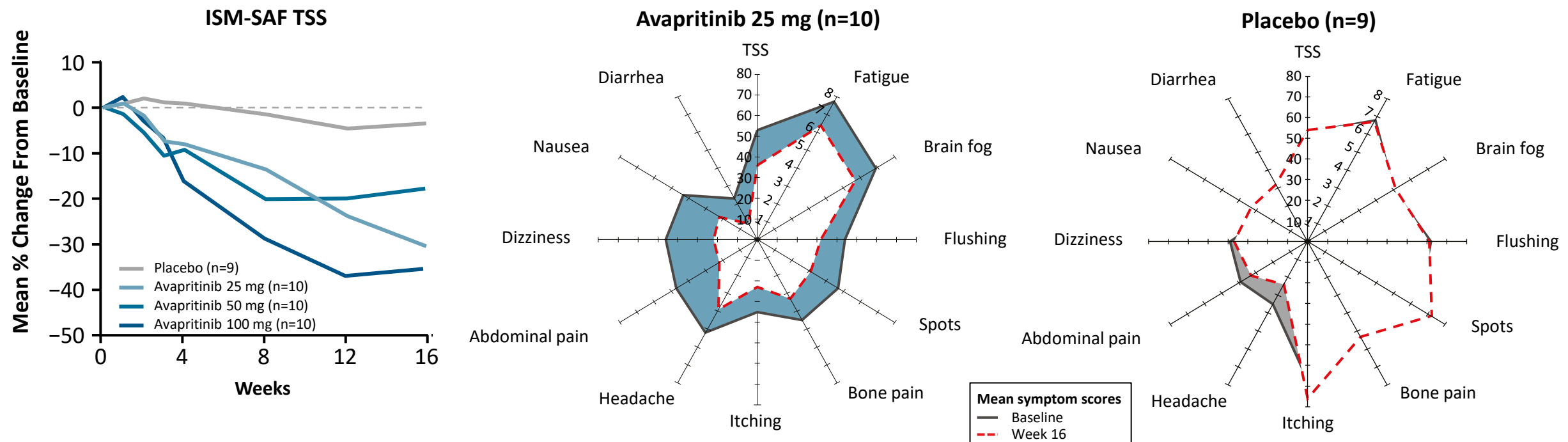
- No Grade 3 AEs or dose modifications were reported in the 25 mg cohort
- No Grade 4 or 5 AEs were reported in the study
- At data cut-off, no patients had discontinued avapritinib due to AEs or progression to AdvSM
- No neutropenia, anemia, thrombocytopenia, or intracranial bleeding was reported
- One Grade 3 cognitive disorder in the 100 mg cohort was resolved following dose modification

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Avapritinib improved symptom burden at all doses by ISM-SAF

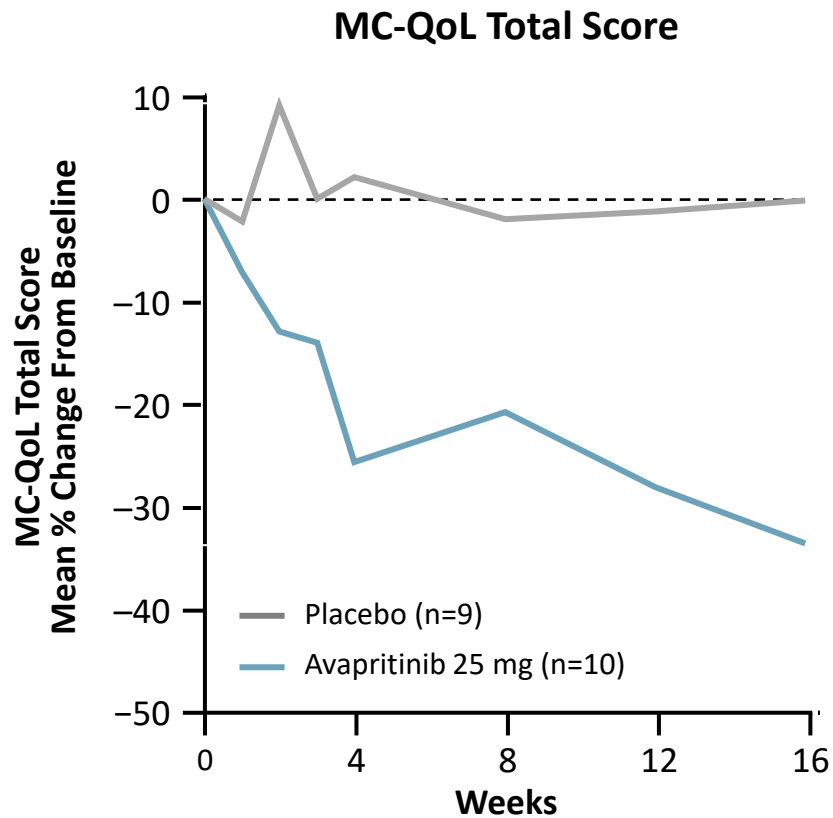
- Similar temporal improvements in all individual symptoms that comprised TSS were observed across the 3 QD avapritinib doses (line graph)
- Based on tolerability and efficacy findings, avapritinib 25 mg QD was selected as the RP2D
- A significant ~30% mean symptom reduction in ISM-SAF TSS was observed in avapritinib-treated patients (all cohorts combined) versus placebo by Week 16 ($P=0.001$, not shown)
- The most bothersome symptoms domains at baseline (skin and neurological symptoms for 47% of patients) were improved by avapritinib 25 mg versus placebo by Week 16 (radar plots)



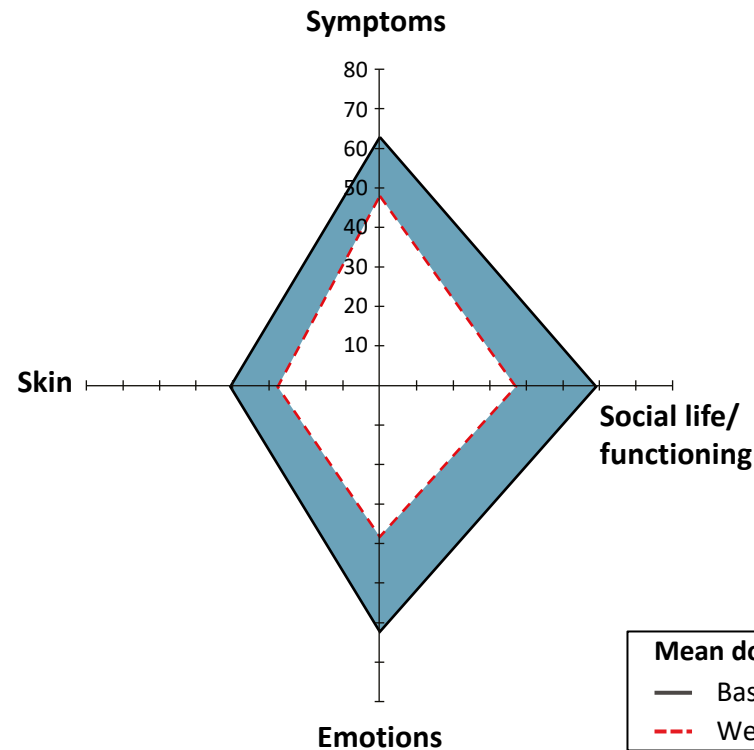
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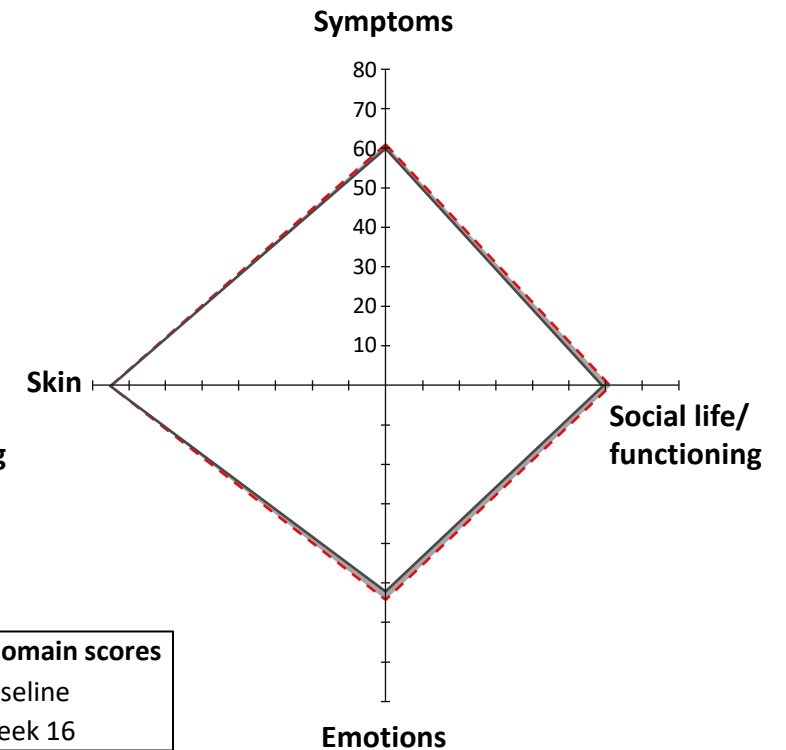
Avapritinib 25 mg QD improved QoL versus placebo by MC-QoL



Avapritinib 25 mg (n=10)



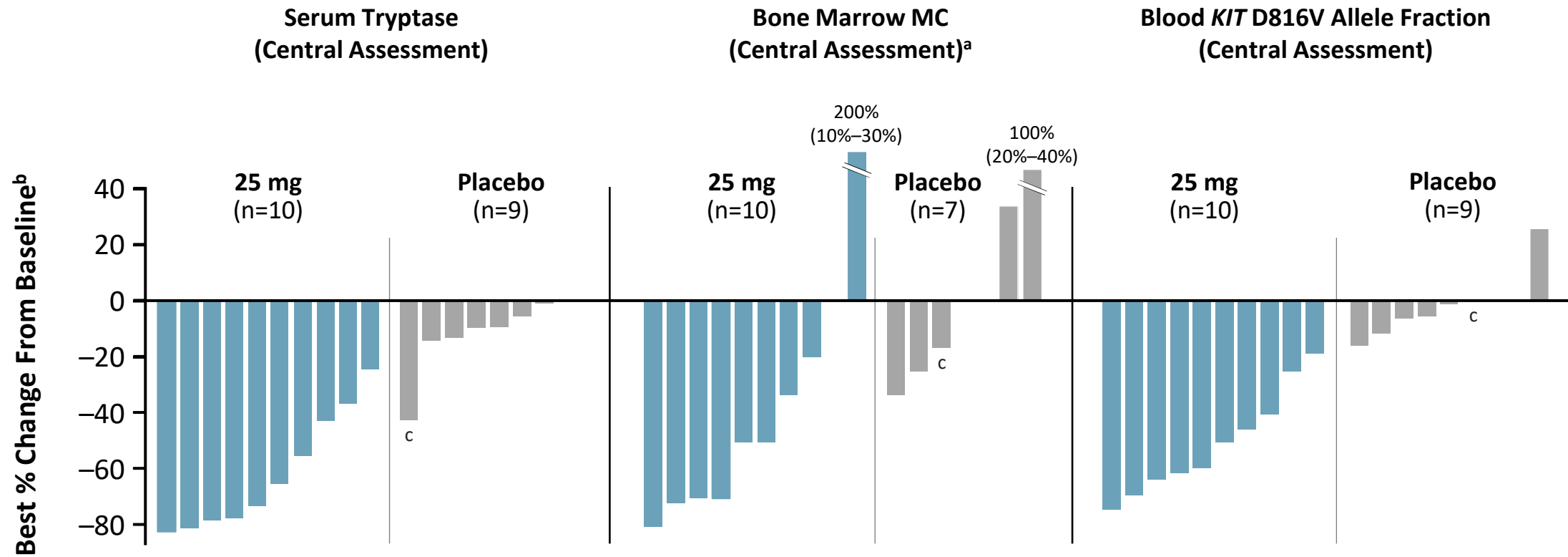
Placebo (n=9)



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Avapritinib 25 mg QD improved objective measures of MC burden versus placebo



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^aBone marrow MC assessment in SM may have variability in sampling due to patchy nature of disease. No patient on study has progressed to advanced disease.

^bSerum tryptase assessments at Weeks 1, 2, 3, 4 and every 4 weeks thereafter; bone marrow assessment at Week 12; mutation burden assessments at Weeks 2 and 4 and every 4 weeks thereafter; ^cPatient received high dose intravenous steroids.



Conclusions

- Avapritinib, a highly potent and selective KIT D816V inhibitor, had a favorable safety profile and demonstrated potential as a new treatment for patients with indolent SM, supporting further evaluation of a continuous dosing regimen
- Avapritinib 25 mg QD was selected as the RP2D; clinically meaningful improvements over baseline at Week 16 were reported at this dose
 - Reductions in TSS and most bothersome symptom group
 - Improvements in QoL, as measured by MC-QoL overall score and all domain scores
 - Reductions in bone marrow MC burden, serum tryptase, and blood *KIT* D816V allele fraction
- Part 2 will be conducted with 25 mg QD; the study is currently enrolling patients in the USA and Europe¹



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