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REMODEL I/II Trials: Efficacy, Safety, and Tolerability of Remibrutinib in Patients With Relapsing Multiple Sclerosis

Introduction

Inhibition of Bruton's Tyrosine Kinase (BTK), a cytoplasmic tyrosine kinase and member of the TEC kinase family, results in reduced activation of B cells and innate immune cells. This offers an alternative mechanism to modulate immune regulatory networks and related neuroinflammation via inhibiting B cells and myeloid cells. Remibrutinib is a potent, highly selective, covalent BTK inhibitor with a short plasma half-life, and a promising pharmacological and safety profile. Here, we summarise the design of the REMODEL I/II Phase 3 trials, which aim to evaluate the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of remibrutinib versus teriflunomide in patients with relapsing multiple sclerosis (RMS).

Methods

REMODEL I/II are identical randomised, double-blind, double-dummy, active comparator-controlled, parallel-group, event-driven, multicentre studies. Patients aged 18–55 years having at least one/two relapses within the previous one/two years, or one active Gadolinium-enhancing lesion in the 12 months prior to screening, with an EDSS of 0.0–5.5 will be enrolled. The studies consist of an initial double-blind core part (Adaptive design, up to 30 months) followed by an open-label extension (up to 5 years). The primary endpoint is annualised relapse rate. Key secondary/exploratory endpoints are listed in Table-1.

Results

Both studies are currently recruiting participants (n=800/study). A planned futility interim analysis will be based on pooled 6-month MRI data (new/newly enlarging T2 lesions) from a subset of 200 participants.

Conclusion

The REMODEL I/II studies will investigate the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of remibrutinib versus teriflunomide to support regulatory approval worldwide as a potential new oral treatment for patients with this disabling disease.

Disclosure

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Table 1. Phase 3 REMODEL I and II study endpoints

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