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# Long-Term Efficacy and Safety With Oral Bruton Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor Rilzabrutinib in Patients With Immune Thrombocytopenia

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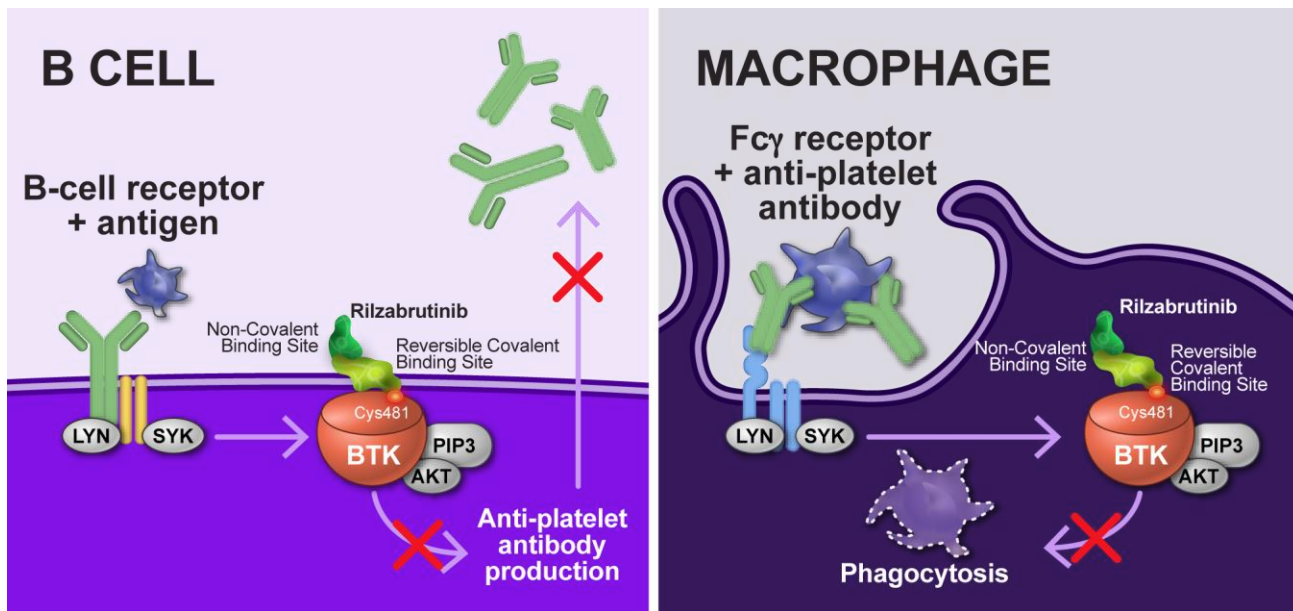
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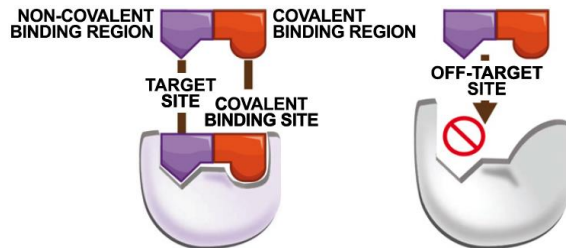
- Describe the key mechanistic effects of BTK inhibition with rilzabrutinib in ITP
- Discuss the safety and efficacy results for long-term use of rilzabrutinib in adult patients with ITP
- Summarize the long term platelet responses following extended rilzabrutinib treatment and safety profile

# Bruton Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor Rilzabrutinib Is Specifically Designed for Immune-Mediated Diseases

- Rilzabrutinib can mediate its therapeutic effect in ITP patients through a dual mechanism of action<sup>1-3</sup>
  - Inhibition of B cell activation
  - Interruption of platelet phagocytosis by Fc $\gamma$ R in spleen and liver

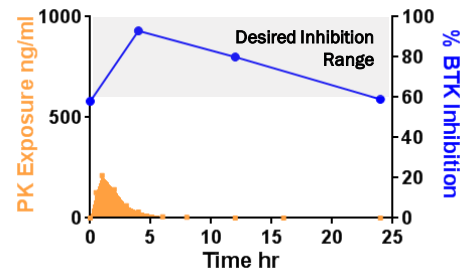


# Rilzabrutinib Is an Oral, Reversible, Potent BTK Inhibitor and Does Not Impact Platelet Aggregation<sup>1</sup>



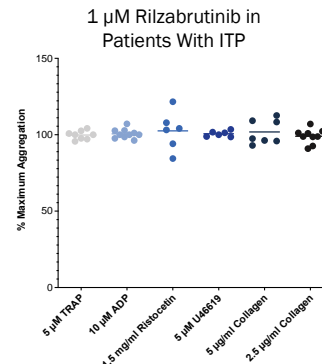
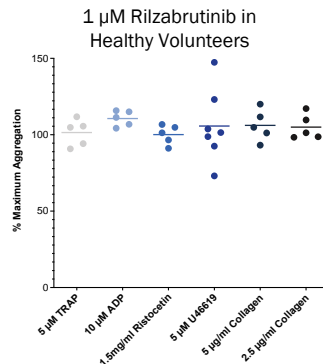
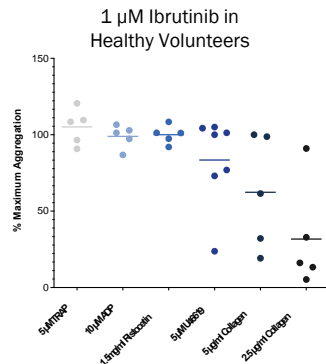
Selective/Reversible

Precise Inhibition;  
No Permanent Modification  
Of Proteins and Peptides



Durable BTK Inhibition  
With Low Exposure

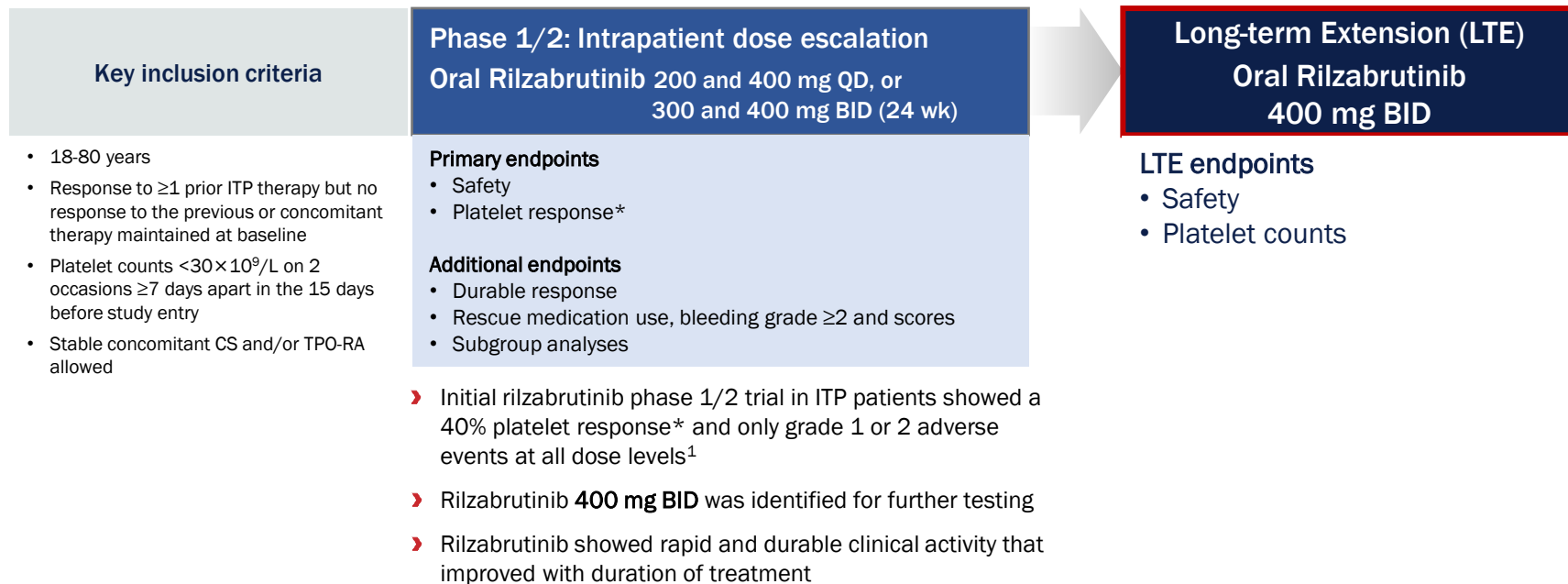
Potential Optimized  
Clinical Benefit



No Inhibition of  
Platelet Aggregation

Potential Reduced  
Risk of Bleeding

# Adaptive, Open-Label, Dose-Finding, Phase 1/2 Study of Oral Rilzabrutinib in Relapsed/Refractory ITP



ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT03395210 EudraCT: 2017-004012-19.

\*Defined as  $\geq 2$  consecutive platelet counts (separated by  $\geq 5$  days) of  $\geq 50 \times 10^9/L$  and an increase from baseline of  $\geq 20 \times 10^9/L$  without the use of rescue medication for ITP in the 4 weeks before the latest elevated platelet count.

BID, twice daily; CS, corticosteroid; QD, once daily; TPO-RA, thrombopoietin receptor agonist.

1. Kuter DJ, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2022;386:1421-1431.

# Patient Disposition

Enrolled

Overall (N=60)

Starting rilzabrutinib doses with  
inpatient dose escalation

200 mg QD  
(n=9)

400 mg QD  
(n=1)

300 mg BID  
(n=5)

400 mg BID  
(n=45)

Completed 24-wk study,  
achieved primary endpoint,  
met LTE eligibility criteria

n=1

n=0

n=2

n=13

Entered LTE on rilzabrutinib 400 mg BID

**LTE (n=16)  
11 ongoing**

Discontinuations (n=5)

- n=2 Rescue therapy use
- n=2 AEs unrelated to treatment\*
- n=1 Pregnancy

# Baseline Characteristics and Prior Therapy

	All Patients (N=60) <sup>1</sup>	All LTE Patients (n=16)*
Median age, years (range)	50 (19-74)	49 (22-65)
Female, n (%)	34 (57)	9 (56)
Median duration of ITP, years (range)	6.3 (0.4-52.5)	4.3 (0.5-18.4)
Median platelet count, ×10 <sup>9</sup> /L (range)	15 (2-33)	LTE entry: 87 (16-321)
Median number of unique prior ITP therapies (range) <sup>†</sup>	4 (1-17)	3 (1-9)
Splenectomy, n (%)	15 (25)	3 (19)
Median number of failed prior ITP therapies (range) <sup>‡</sup>	1 (0-11)	1 (0-3)

Data cutoff for main study period: 4 May 2021. Data cutoff for LTE: 21 Jan 2022/21 Dec 2022.

\*Data were collected prior to entering LTE. <sup>†</sup>Unique ITP therapies were identified using standard criteria, and splenectomy was counted as one prior ITP therapy.

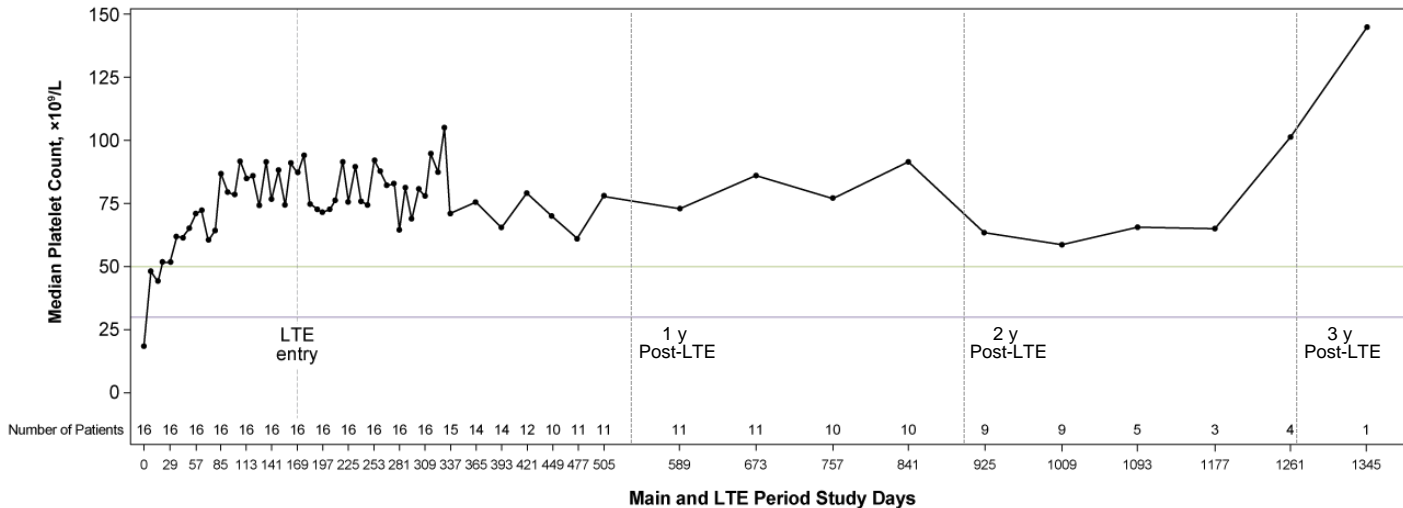
<sup>‡</sup>The number of failed prior ITP therapies was based on the latest record with no response. Only records with non-missing "Was response achieved?" were included. Splenectomy was not included.

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# Platelet Counts in Patients Who Continued in the LTE (n=16)

- Median treatment duration was 1032 days (range, 318-1506)



Median platelet counts	
LTE entry (day 169)	$87 \times 10^9/L$
Post-LTE entry	
3 mo	$92 \times 10^9/L$
6 mo	$71 \times 10^9/L$
12 mo	$61 \times 10^9/L$
24 mo	$64 \times 10^9/L$

# Platelet Response in LTE Patients

- Patients maintained achieved target platelet counts above multiple clinically meaningful thresholds while in the LTE irrespective of the use of concomitant therapy
- Patients achieved platelet counts  $\geq 50 \times 10^9/L$  for 88% of visits
- 14 of 16 (88%) patients achieved platelet counts  $\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$  during the LTE

Median Number (Percentage) of Visits With Platelet Counts	LTE Patients (n=16)	Rilzabrutinib Monotherapy (n=5)	Concomitant Therapy* (n=11)
$\geq 50 \times 10^9/L$	26 (88%)	29 (94%)	26 (76%)
Increased $\geq 20 \times 10^9/L$ from baseline	29 (93%)	31 (97%)	29 (92%)
$\geq 30 \times 10^9/L$	32 (100%)	32 (100%)	32 (100%)

# Concomitant Therapy in the LTE Period

- Protocol guidelines for concomitant therapy in LTE patients
  - Taper CS dose if platelet counts  $\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$
  - Up-titrate CS dose if platelet counts  $< 50 \times 10^9/L$  on two consecutive measurements
  - Maintain TPO-RAs dose unless there were safety concerns
- At a median of 254 days (range, 152–274) in the LTE, 5 of 11 (45%) patients receiving concomitant therapy stopped using any ITP concomitant medication\*

LTE Patients (n=5)	Median platelet counts, $\times 10^9/L$ (range)
After stopping concomitant medication	103 (90–218)
3-6 mo after stopping	106 (75–166)

# Overview of TEAEs Due to Any Cause

Patients, n (%)	All Patients During Main Treatment Period (N=60) <sup>1</sup>	LTE Patients During LTE Period (n=16)
Any TEAE	48 (80)	13 (81)
Any treatment-related TEAE	31 (52)	4 (25)
Any grade $\geq 3$ TEAE	8 (13)	5 (31)
Grade $\geq 2$ infections (under SOC infections and infestations)	6 (10)	4 (25)*
SAEs		
Any treatment emergent SAE	8 (13)	5 (31)
Any treatment-related treatment emergent SAE	0	0
Discontinued treatment and/or study due to $\geq 1$ TEAE	7 (12)	4 (25) <sup>†</sup>
Death due to a TEAE	1 (2) <sup>‡</sup>	0

Data cutoff for main study period: 4 May 2021. Data cutoff for LTE: 21 Dec 2022.

\*4 patients experienced 5 infections/infestations: grade 2 COVID-19, upper respiratory tract infection (treatment-related), and bronchitis; grade 3 COVID-19; and grade 4 COVID-19.

<sup>†</sup>Treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) leading to discontinuation were thrombocytopenia (n=2), pregnancy (n=1), and migraine/thrombocytosis (n=1); all were unrelated to treatment.

<sup>‡</sup>Patient discontinued treatment due to exacerbation of Evans syndrome, then discontinued study on Sept 24, 2020, and died on Jan 22, 2021.

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# Treatment-Related TEAEs

- In the LTE, 4 patients overall experienced related TEAEs
- All related TEAEs were transient, grade 1 or 2
- Two patients received rescue medication in the LTE (n=0 during main treatment period)
- There were no related bleeding or thrombotic events, serious AEs or deaths

Related TEAEs (≥5%), n (%)	All Patients During Main Treatment Period (N=60) <sup>1</sup>		LTE Patients During LTE Period (n=16)	
	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 1	Grade 2
All related TEAEs	27 (45)	15 (25)	3 (19)	2 (13)
Diarrhea	16 (27)	3 (5)	1 (6)	0
Nausea	16 (27)	2 (3)	1 (6)	0
Abdominal distension	4 (7)	0	0	0
Fatigue	5 (8)	1 (2)	0	0
Upper respiratory tract infection	0	0	0	1 (6)
Cough	0	0	1 (6)	0
Rhinorrhea	0	0	0	1 (6)
Vulvovaginal dryness	0	0	0	1 (6)

# Summary and Key Takeaways

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## Summary

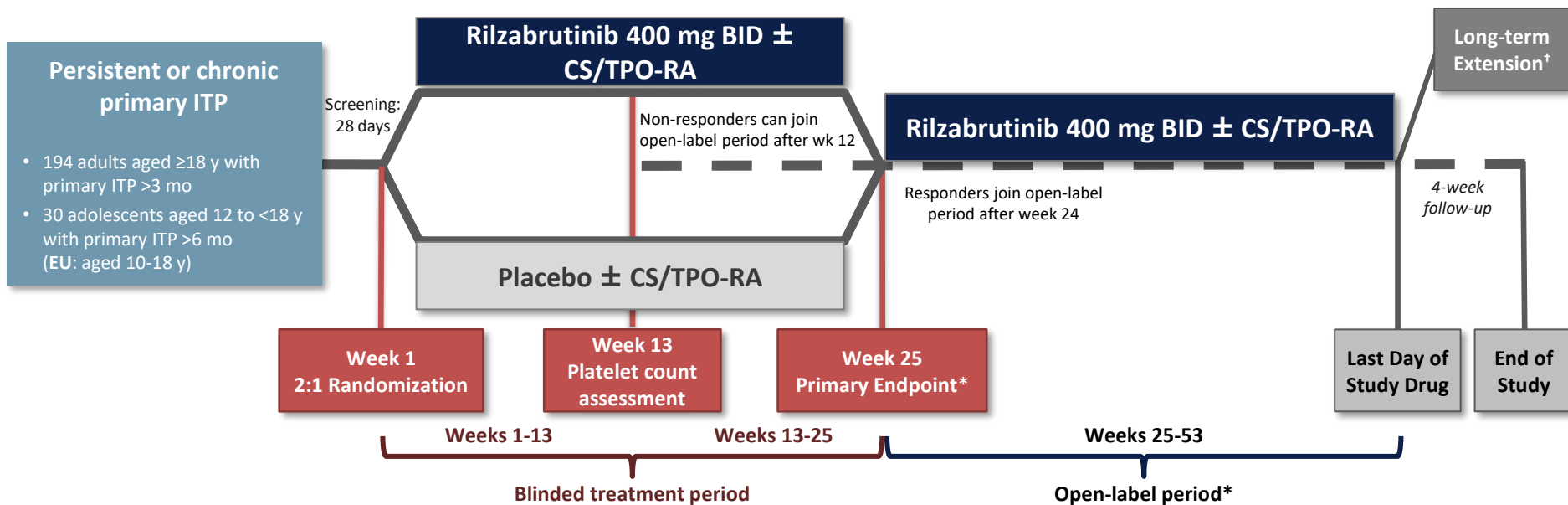
- Overall, platelet responses to rilzabrutinib in this phase 1/2 clinical trial were durable and stable over time with a favorable safety profile

## Key Takeaways

- With extended rilzabrutinib treatment over a median treatment duration of 1032 days during the main + LTE periods, responses were durable with platelet counts  $\geq 50 \times 10^9/\text{L}$  reported in 88% of visits
- Oral rilzabrutinib 400 mg BID remains well tolerated through the LTE, with
  - Only grade 1/2 related TEAEs
  - No related thrombotic events or serious adverse events
  - No increased bleeding risk or BTK inhibitor class-associated AEs (eg, atrial fibrillation, neutropenia)

# LUNA 3 Study Design

- LUNA 3 is a multicenter, double-blind, placebo-controlled phase 3 study assessing efficacy and safety of oral rilzabrutinib in adults and adolescents with persistent or chronic ITP



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