



Dual CD39 and PD-L1 inhibition: Interim results from the phase 2 MATISSE trial of IPH5201 plus durvalumab and platinum-based chemotherapy in patients with resectable NSCLC

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MATISSE study background and rationale

- Approximately **25%** of patients with Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) are diagnosed at a resectable early-stage and potentially curable
- Neoadjuvant chemo-immunotherapy (PD-(L)1) has become the new **standard of care** (NCCN V5.2026*, ESMO 2025 guidelines**)
- In Phase 3 studies with chemo/PD-(L)1 inhibitors, **only ~25%** of patients achieve **pathologic complete response (pCR)**, associated with increased Overall Survival***
- Developing **next-generation strategies** to notably improve the pCR rate and the potential of cure of chemo-immunotherapy is therefore needed

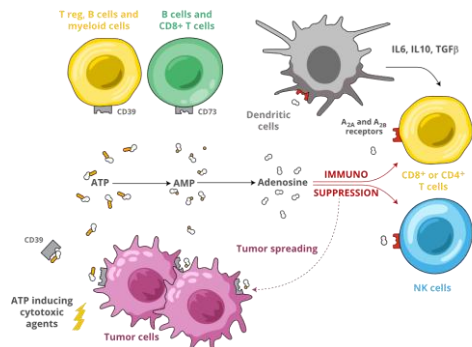
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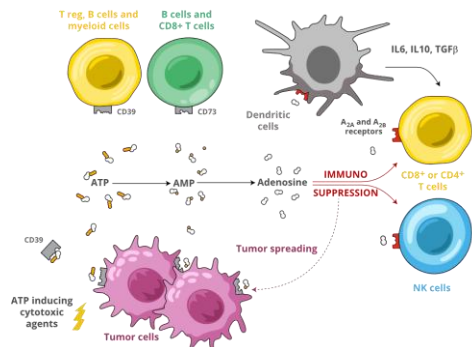
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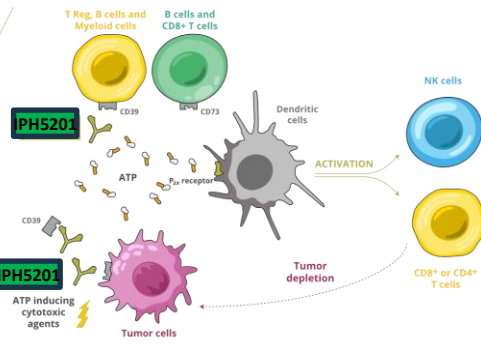
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IPH5201 blocking CD39 antibody



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- ✓ **Blocking CD39 enhances Dendritic Cells activation** through ATP accumulation but also **restores T cell stimulation** by reducing adenosine levels**

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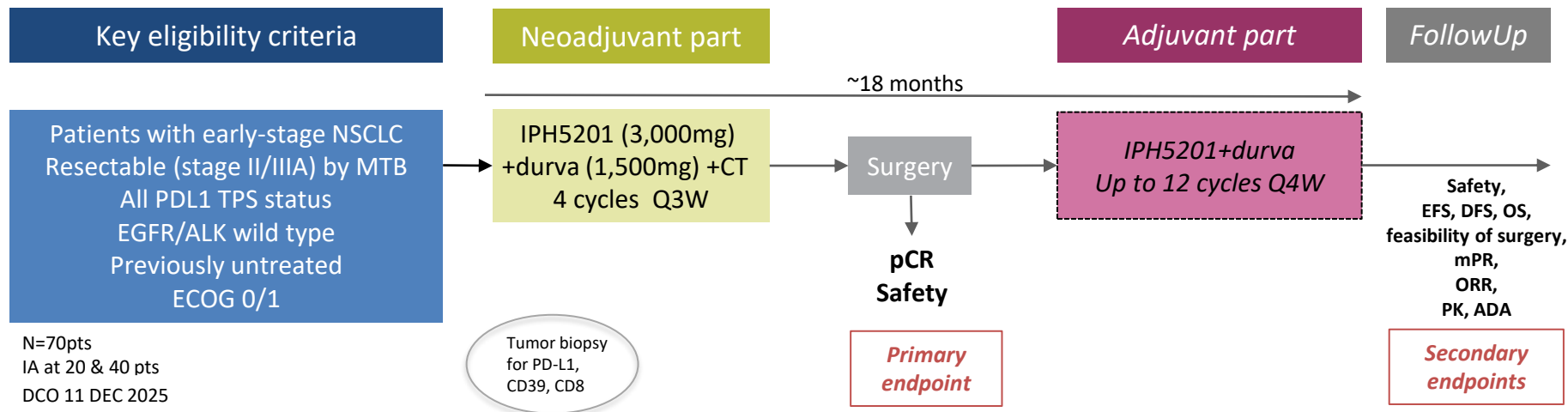
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- IPH5201 is a **humanized Fc-silent IgG1** inhibiting **both membrane and soluble CD39**
- IPH5201 improves antitumor activity of durvalumab+chemo in preclinical models, turning anti-PD-(L)1 resistant into sensitive tumors**
- IPH5201 as monotherapy or in combination with durvalumab was well tolerated and pharmacodynamically active***

MATISSE study design

MATISSE is an open-label, **single-arm phase 2 study** evaluating IPH5201 in combination with neoadjuvant CT and perioperative durvalumab in resectable, early-stage NSCLC



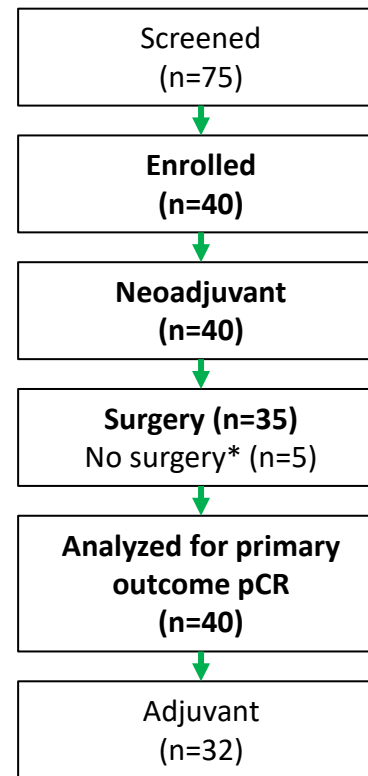
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The trial recruited patients in France, Hungary, Poland, Greece and USA

ADA: anti-drug antibody; ALK: Anaplastic Lymphoma Kinase; CT: chemotherapy (carboplatin/paclitaxel or cisplatin/pemetrexed or carboplatin/pemetrexed); DCO: Data Cut Off; DFS: disease-free survival; ECOG: Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; EGFR: Epithelial Growth Factor Receptor; EFS: event-free survival; FPI: First Patient In; IA: interim analysis; mPR: major pathological response; NSCLC: non-small cell lung cancer; OS: overall survival; ORR: overall response rate; pCR: pathological complete response; PK: Pharmacokinetics; Q3W: every 3 weeks; Q4W: every 4 weeks; TPS: Tumor PD-L1 score;

Patient baseline characteristics & disposition

Baseline characteristics (N=40)	N (%)
Median age (range)	64.7 (48, 83)
Females/Males	13 (32.5) / 27 (67.5)
ECOG 0/1	32 (80.0) / 8 (20.0)
PD-L1 ≥1% / PD-L1 <1%	28 (70.0) / 12 (30.0)
Clinical Preoperative Stage (TNM 8th)	
Stage IIA	4 (10.0)
Stage IIB	16 (40.0)
Stage IIIA	20 (50.0)
Histology	
Adenocarcinoma	19 (47.5)
Squamous cell carcinoma	16 (40.0)
Other	5 (12.5)
Backbone Chemotherapy	
Carboplatin/Paclitaxel	16 (40.0)
Carboplatin/Pemetrexed	12 (30.0)
Cisplatin/Pemetrexed	12 (30.0)



Number of chemo/CD39/Durva cycles: 1, 2 pts; 2, 2 pts; 3, 3 pts; 4, 33 pts

*1 patient disqualified from lung surgery by the surgeon, 1 inadequate lung function, 1 consent withdrawn, 2 progressive disease

Safety overview	N (%)
TEAE (any grade)	39 (97.5)
related to any drug	36 (90.0)
related to chemotherapy	32 (80.0)
related to IPH5201	29 (72.5)
related to durvalumab	29 (72.5)
grade ≥3	22 (55.0)
grade ≥ 3 related to any drug	13 (32.5)
permanent discontinuation of any drug	9 (22.5)
permanent discontinuation of chemotherapy	3 (7.5)
permanent discontinuation of IPH5201*	7 (17.5)
permanent discontinuation of durvalumab	7 (17.5)
AESI	27 (67.5)
SAE (any)	14 (35.0)
SAE related to any drug	7 (17.5)
TEAE Grade 5	1** (2.5)

*In the event that an AE is considered related only to durvalumab, both IPH5201 and durvalumab must be discontinued

**postoperative pneumonia

AESI: adverse event of special interest; SAE: serious adverse event;
 TEAE: Treatment emergent adverse event

TEAE ≥ 15%	N (%)
Patients with at least one TEAE	39 (97.5)
Asthenia	16 (40.0)
Constipation	12 (30.0)
Nausea	12 (30.0)
Anemia	11 (27.5)
Thrombocytopenia	10 (25.0)
Arthralgia	10 (25.0)
Neutropenia	10 (25.0)
Weight decreased	9 (22.5)
Rash	8 (20.0)
Hypothyroidism	8 (20.0)
Alopecia	7 (17.5)
Neuropathy peripheral	7 (17.5)
Procedural pain	7 (17.5)
Decreased appetite	6 (15.0)

TEAE ≥ 10% related to at least IPH5201	N (%)
Patients with at least one IPH5201 related TEAE	29 (72.5)
Asthenia	8 (20.0)
Arthralgia	5 (12.5)
Hypothyroidism	5 (12.5)
Thrombocytopenia	4 (10.0)

Radiological Response to systemic treatment

Radiological response per RECIST V1.1	% [95% CI] or N (%)
ORR, % [95% CI]	62.5 [45.8, 77.3]
CR, n (%)	3 (7.5)
PR, n (%)	22 (55.0)
SD, n (%)	14 (35.0)
PD, n (%)	1 (2.5)

Surgery

Surgery	N (%)
Surgery	
Subjects underwent surgery	35 (87.5)
Subjects underwent surgery within 40 days	28 (75.7)
Subjects with surgery delayed (>40 days)	
Logistic reasons (surgeon planning)	3 (7.5)
Other: 1 investigator decision, 3 AEs (delay range 3-15 days)	4 (11.4)
Outcome of surgery	
R0	31 (88.6)
R1	4 (11.4)
R2	0 (0.0)
Subjects did not undergo surgery*	5 (12.5)

**1 investigator decision (patient disqualified from lung surgery by the surgeon), 1 inadequate lung function, 1 consent withdrawn before surgery, 2 progressive disease before surgery (1 PD per RECIST, 1 judged clinically progressive before surgery)*

Efficacy

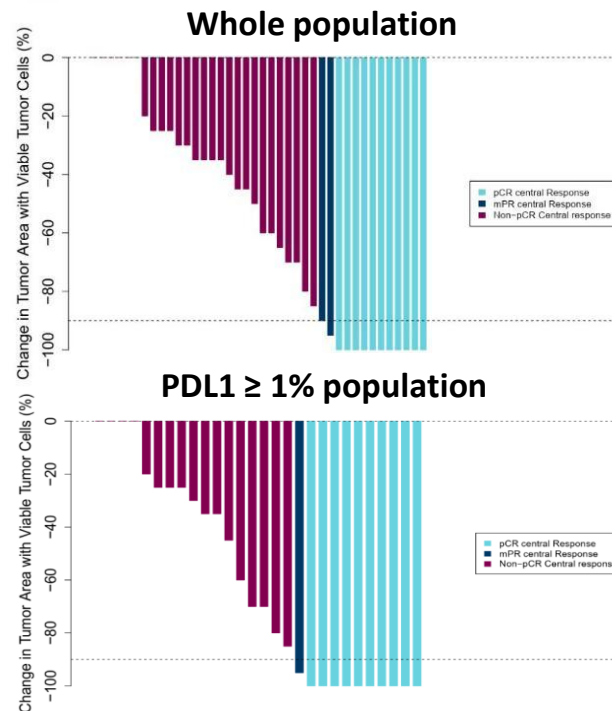
Pathological response, N=40*	% [95% CI]
Overall pCR, % [95% CI]	27.5 [14.6, 43.9]
MPR, % [95% CI]	32.5 [18.6, 49.1]
pCR by PD-L1 expression	
PD-L1 <1% (N=12)	8.3 [0.2, 38.5]
PD-L1 ≥ 1% (N=28)	35.7 [18.6, 55.9]
PD-L1 ≥ 50% (N=14)	50.0 [23.0, 77.0]

*include all patients treated (who received at least one dose of study treatment and who received surgery (n=35) or were unable to receive surgery (n=5))

Improved pCR rate / PD-L1 tumor TPS (PD-L1≥1%)

Pathological complete response (pCR) is defined as lack of any viable tumor cells after complete evaluation in the resected lung cancer specimen and all sampled regional lymph nodes as determined by central independent pathological review (CIPR) as per IASLC 2020 (Travis W, et al. IASLC Multidisciplinary Recommendations for Pathologic Assessment of Lung Cancer Resection Specimens After Neoadjuvant Therapy. J Thorac Oncol 2020;15(5);709–740).

NSCLC: non small cell lung cancer; pCR: pathological complete response; mPR: major pathological response

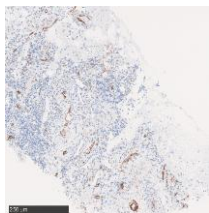


Waterfall plots present treated population patients with no change in tumour area (patient who discontinued treatment prior surgery or patients with non evaluable tumour area viable cells) are set to 0.

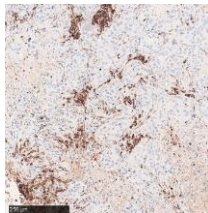
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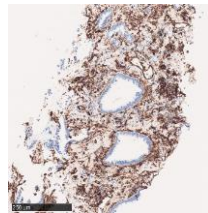
Representative images of the MATISSE study



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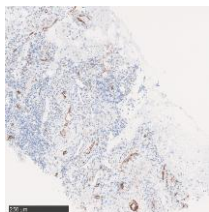
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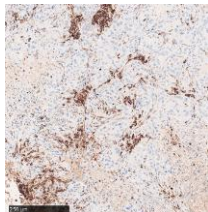
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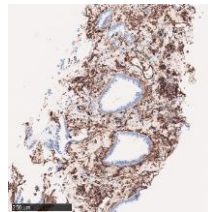
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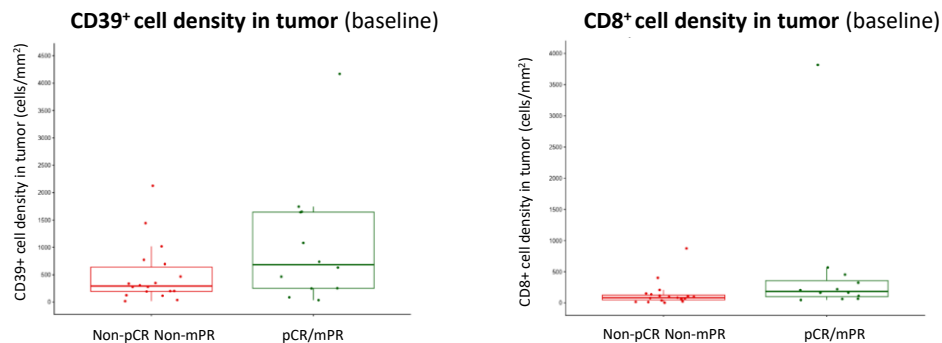


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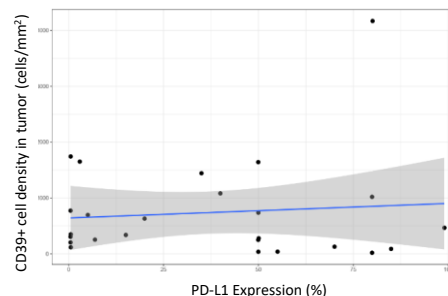
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Higher baseline CD39+ and CD8+ cell density in tumor of patients with mPR/pCR



No correlation between CD39 cell density in tumor and PD-L1 expression



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Conclusions

- MATISSE is the first clinical study to show feasibility and preliminary activity of **preoperative CD39 blockade** by IPH5201 in combination with platinum-based chemotherapy and PD-L1 inhibition for patients with resectable early stage NSCLC with:
 - The majority of patients reaching **surgery (87.5%)**
 - A **safety profile comparable** to preoperative platinum-based chemotherapy/durvalumab
 - A promising overall **pCR rate of 27.5%**
- Prediction of response to [IPH5201+durvalumab] might be related to:
 - **PDL1 expression status**, with 35.7% and 50% of the patients achieving **pCR** when tumor expressed PD-L1 \geq 1% and 50%, respectively
 - **CD39 expression** as a potentially emerging biomarker trending to higher intratumoral density in patients reaching pCR/mPR
- MATISSE paves the way for **CD39/Adenosine pathway inhibition** in early-stage NSCLC
- MATISSE **continues with the recruitment of PD-L1 \geq 1%** patients to further enrich the dataset

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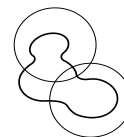
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