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# What's new in primary ITP? Key updates from ASH 2024



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## How is ITP managed today?

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# How ITP is managed today





# • There are several efficacious treatments for ITP<sup>1,2</sup>



There are limited options for patients who are refractory/intolerant to standard therapies<sup>1</sup>

CD, cluster of differentiation; Ig, immunoglobulin; ITP, immune thrombocytopenia; IVIg, intravenous Ig; Syk, spleen tyrosine kinase; TPO-RA, thrombopoietin receptor agonist. 1. Al-Samkari H. Am J Hematol. 2024;99:2178–90; 2. Neunert C. et al. *Blood Adv*, 2019;3:3829–66; 3. Provan D. et al. *Blood Adv*, 2019;3:3780–817;



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## **New treatments for ITP**





# • Phase II/III emerging agents for ITP

**Estimated primary completion** 



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Trial completion dates are estimates reported by ClinicalTrials.gov. BAFF, B-cell activating factor; BTK, Bruton's tyrosine kinase; CD, cluster of differentiation; CS, corticosteroids; ITP, immune thrombocytopenia; mAb, monoclonal antibody; MoA, mechanism of action; Ph, phase; Syk, spleen tyrosine kinase. Information on all clinical trials can be found using the NCT number at clinicaltrials.gov (accessed 20 November 2024). Al-Samkari H. *Am J Hematol*. 2024;99:2178–90.

# \* ASH data: Phase III RCTs in adults

#### Long-term sovleplenib vs crossover from placebo (P-Sov) Rilzabrutinib vs placebo (LUNA 3)<sup>1</sup> (ESLIM-01 extension stage)<sup>2</sup> Patients with primary persistent/chronic ITP Patients with primary ITP who completed 24 weeks of (data cut-off: 14 March 2024) treatment, or did not respond in first 12 weeks of ESLIM-01 R (data cut-off: 31 January 2024) All sov (n=133) (n=69) P-Sov **Primary endpoint** (N=179) (n=53) 23% 0% p<0.0001 Durable response\* Overall response<sup>‡</sup> 81.0% 83.0% Median time to initial platelet Durable response<sup>§</sup> 51.4% 43.4% 15 days 50 days response<sup>+</sup> Long-term durable response<sup>¶</sup> 59.8% 64.2% p<0.0001 Duration of platelet response<sup>+</sup> Longer with R vs P Received rescue therapy 22.9% 18.9% Lower with R vs P p=0.0007 Rescue therapy required Most common TRAEs (≥gr 3): 2.2% ↑ ALT Physical fatigue at week 13 Improved with R vs P 1.7% $\downarrow$ neutrophil count and week 25 1.7% ↑ GGT Similar AEs and SAEs Long-term sovleplenib treatment was effective in increasing Rilzabrutinib treatment was efficacious and tolerable and maintaining PCs with a well-tolerated safety profile

Direct comparisons between trials should not be made due to differences in trial design.

\*PC ≥50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L for ≥two-thirds of ≥8 of the last 12 weeks of the 24-week blinded treatment period in the absence of rescue medication; †platelet response: PC ≥50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L or ≥30–<50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L and >2 x BL; ‡≥1 PC ≥50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L with Sov not impacted by rescue treatment; <sup>§</sup>PC ≥50 x10<sup>9</sup>/L at ≥4 of 6 scheduled visits during weeks 14–24 in ESLIM-01 not impacted by rescue treatment, or PC ≥50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L at 2 of 3 protocol-defined visits during the second 12 weeks of 24 weeks in the open-label sub-study not impacted by rescue treatment; <sup>¶</sup>after receiving Sov for 12 weeks, PC ≥50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L at ≥2 of 3 of any 12-week consecutive protocol defined visits not impacted by rescue treatment. AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; ASH, American Society of Hematology; BL, baseline; GGT, gamma-glutamyltransferase; gr, grade; ITP, immune thrombocytopenia; P, placebo; P-Sov, received P followed by Sov; PC, platelet count; R, rilzabrutinib; RCT, randomized controlled trial; SAE, serious AE; Sov, sovleplenib; TRAE, treatment-related AE. 1. Kuter DJ, et al. Abstr 5; 2. Hu Y, et al. Abstr 2558. All data presented at: 66th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition, 7–10 December 2024, San Diego, CA, USA.



# • ASH data: Phase II RCT in adults

#### Ianalumab (VAYHIT3)

Patients with primary ITP previously treated with at least a CS and a TPO-RA, with no prior splenectomy, and a PC <30 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L (data cut-off: 12 June 2024; N=10) **Patient characteristics:** median no. of prior treatment lines 6.5 (CS and TPO-RAs 100%; IVIg/anti-D lg 90%; rituximab 40%; other immunosuppressants 60%)

Primary endpoint ConfR*	n=5	(n=4 received ianalumab + TPO-RA; n=1 ianalumab monotherapy)
Achieved ConfR* and stable response <sup>+</sup>	n=4	
Median best post-BL PC, x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	129.0	
Patients experiencing AEs / grade ≥3 AEs	n=10 / n=3	
Patients experiencing SAEs / grade ≥3 SAEs	n=2 / n=2	
AEs	Infections (n	=6); potential signs of IRRs (n=4)

These first data demonstrated that a short course of ianalumab shows promising efficacy in heavily pre-treated patients with primary ITP, and is well tolerated

\*PC  $\geq$ 50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L at two or more consecutive assessments at least 7 days apart between week 1 and week 25, in the absence of rescue treatment for  $\geq$ 4 weeks prior to PC assessment and start of new ITP treatment before reaching a ConfR; †proportion of patients with  $\geq$ 75% PCs collected between study days 121 and 183  $\geq$ 50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L in the absence of rescue treatment/new ITP treatment. AE, adverse event; ASH, American Society of Hematology; BL, baseline; ConfR, confirmed response; CS, corticosteroid; Ig, immunoglobulin; IRR, infusion-related reaction; ITP, immune thrombocytopenia; IVIg, intravenous Ig; PC, platelet count; RCT, randomized controlled trial; SAE, serious AE; TPO-RA, thrombopoietin receptor agonist. Kuter DJ, et al. Presented at: 66th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition, 7–10 December 2024, San Diego, CA, USA. Abstr 710.



# \* ASH data: Phase III RCT in children

Avatrombopag vs placebo (AVA-PED-301)

Children aged 1–17 years with primary ITP  $\ge$ 6 months with mean of two PCs <30 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L with no single PC >35 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L

		А	Р			
		(n=54)	(n=21)			
Achieved CMR*		92.6%	19.1%			
Mean % of time with CMR		62.5%	16.7%			
Achieved CMR* in the final 3–7 out of 8 weeks of core phase		31.5–83.3%	0%	p<0.0001 for 3–6/8 weeks; p=0.0019 for 7/8 weeks		
Achieved R <sup>+</sup> at any time in core phase		88.9%	9.5%			
Mean % of time with $R^{\dagger}$		51.0%	8.1%			
Achieved R <sup>+</sup> in the final 3–6 out of 8 weeks of core phase		13.0–75.9%	0%	p<0.0001 for 3 and 4/8 weeks p=0.0002 for 5/8 weeks;		
p=0.0077 for 6/8 weeks Avatrombopag demonstrated a significant and consistent durable response during the core phase regardless of how the response was measured						

\*PC ≥30 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L; <sup>†</sup>PC ≥50 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L. A, avatrombopag; ASH, American Society of Hematology; CMR, clinically meaningful response; ITP, immune thrombocytopenia; P, placebo; PC, platelet count; R, platelet response; RCT, randomized controlled trial. Grace RF, et al. Presented at: 66th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition, 7–10 December 2024, San Diego, CA, USA. Abstr 1191.



# The real-world impact of ITP





# ITP can have a large burden on patient HRQoL<sup>1</sup>



**Symptomatic bleeding** affects **60–70%** of patients with **chronic ITP** and **70–80%** of patients with **newly diagnosed ITP**<sup>2</sup>

Patients can experience fatigue and cognitive impairment that can decrease participation in activities and work<sup>1,5</sup>



Patients may have concerns over the risk of bleeding<sup>3</sup> and may have to alter their lifestyles to reduce bleeding risk<sup>2</sup>



ITP impacts patients' psychological and emotional wellbeing<sup>1,6</sup>



Heavy menstrual bleeding is common in female patients with ITP and often impacts daily life<sup>4</sup>



Adults living with chronic ITP have an increased risk of thrombosis and thromboembolism compared with the general population<sup>7,8</sup>

## Platelet count does not fully correlate with disease burden<sup>9</sup>

HRQoL, health-related quality of life; ITP, immune thrombocytopenia.

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