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Real-World Treatment Patterns and Patient Outcomes in Relapsed/Refractory Hodgkin Lymphoma in the US Fjoralba Kristo¹, Melissa Lingohr-Smith, PhD², Jay Lin, PhD MBA², Ajibade Ashaye, MD MBA, MPH, MSc¹

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Introduction

Brentuximab vedotin (BV), a CD30-directed monoclonal antibody, and programmed cell death-1 inhibitors (PD-1; e.g., nivolumab, pembrolizumab) are efficacious for the treatment of adult patients with Hodgkin lymphoma (HL) at high risk of relapse or progression post-autologous stem cell transplantation (ASCT). In this study, we investigated the real-world treatment patterns and outcomes of patients with relapsed/refractory HL (RRHL) who had received >1 line of therapy (LOT).

Methods

Patients \geq 18 years old with evidence of RRHL in \geq 1 inpatient or \geq 2 outpatient physician medical notes or evidence of \geq 1 autologous/allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT) procedure following evidence of HL in the Humedica Electronic Medical Record (EMR) database, were selected between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2020. The earliest evidence of RRHL (medical note or HSCT procedure) was defined as the patient's index date. Patients were excluded if they had evidence of RRHL, non-Hodgkin's disease, other primary cancers, or metastatic disease in the 12 months prior to the index date (baseline period). Patient demographic and clinical characteristics were evaluated during the baseline period and the index date. Patients were followed from their index date until patient death or the end of recorded healthcare activity during which treatment patterns and outcomes were assessed.

Results

A total of 342 patients with ≥1 LOT post-RRHL during the follow-up period were included in the final study population. Mean age was 44.2 years, 56.7% were male, 75.7% were white, and 61.4% had commercial insurance; mean Charlson Comorbidity Index score was 3.2 (Table 1). Approximately one-third (34.5%) of patients were not eligible for HSCT based on available laboratory data and comorbidity diagnoses during the baseline period or the index date. Across the study population, the average follow-up duration was 25.6 months (median: 23.9 months). Among the overall study population, 90 (26.3%) patients received BV treatment, with most ('86%) receiving BV in LOTs 1 and 2 post-RRHL evidence (Table 2). The average time from index date to initiation of BV treatment was 2.5 months and mean duration of treatment (DOT) with BV was 4.3 months. Most patients treated with BV (n=68) had not received a HSCT. During the follow-up, among those who received BV but not a PD-1 (n=57), the progression-free survival (PFS) rate was 73.7% and overall survival (OS) was 82.5%. Among the overall study population, 56 (16.4%) patients received a PD-1, with most patients (68%) receiving a PD-1 in LOTs 1 and 2 post-RRHL evidence. The average time from index date to initiation of PD-1 treatment was 5.5 months and mean DOT with a PD-1 was 5.3 months. Among those patients who received a PD-1 but not BV (n=23), the PFS rate was 56.5% and OS was 69.6%. One patient received post-HSCT BV+PD-1 combination maintenance therapy. Among the patients who received BV and/or a PD-1 prior- or post-HSCT, 12 (52.2%) received BV prior to the HSCT and 9 (39.1%) received BV after the HSCT. Among those who received BV and PD-1 treatments (i.e., not at the same time; n=33), the PFS rate was 60.6% and OS was 90.9%. Among the study population, a majority of patients (n=232; 67.8%) did not receive a HSCT during the follow-up period (including the index date). Of these patients without a HSCT, 68 (29.3%) received BV, 46 (19.8%) received a PD-1, and 25 (10.8%) received both BV and a PD-1 (i.e., not at the same time).

Conclusions

In this real-world evaluation of the treatment patterns and outcomes among patients in post-RRHL evidence setting, BV was administered more frequently in patients without HSCT. Increasing the use of BV in patients with ASCT at high risk for relapse or progression may lead to improved clinical outcomes. This study was based on EMRs from a single administrative database and has a limited sample size; these findings may not apply to all patient populations in post-RRHL evidence setting in the US.

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Table 1. Characteristics of the Study Population						
	All patients N=342	No HSCT* n=232 (67.8%)	BV and/or PD-1 prior- or post-HSCT* n=23 (6.7%)	HSCT only [†] n=86 (25.1%)		
Age, mean (SD), yrs.	44.2 (16.7)	46.6 (16.9)	37.0 (15.5)	39.5 (14.8)		
Male	194 (56.7%)	131 (56.5%)	15 (65.2%)	47 (54.7%)		
Race						
White	259 (75.7%)	175 (75.4%)	15 (65.2%)	68 (79.1%)		
Black	45 (13.2%)	34 (14.7%)	5 (21.7%)	6 (7.0%)		
Other/unknown	38 (11.1%)	23 (9.9%)	3 (13.0%)	12 (14.0%)		
Health insurance type				T ₂		
Commercial	210 (61.4%)	143 (61.6%)	15 (65.2%)	51 (59.3%)		
Medicare	44 (12.9%)	37 (16.0%)	1 (4.4%)	6 (7.0%)		
Other/uninsured/unknown	88 (25.7%)	52 (22.4%)	7 (30.4%)	29 (33.7%)		
Geographic region						
Northeast	71 (20.8%)	44 (19.0%)	5 (21.7%)	22 (25.6%)		
Midwest	158 (46.2%)	120 (51.7%)	9 (39.1%)	28 (32.6%)		
South	70 (20.5%)	41 (17.7%)	3 (13.0%)	26 (30.2%)		
West	30 (8.8%)	18 (7.8%)	5 (21.7%)	7 (8.1%)		
Unknown	13 (3.8%)	9 (3.9%)	1 (4.4%)	3 (3.5%)		
Charlson Comorbidity Index Score, mean (SD)	3.2 (2.0)	3.3 (2.1)	3.7 (2.5)	3.3 (2.1)		
HSCT ineligible	118 (34.5%)	96 (41.4%)	9 (39.1%)	13 (15.1%)		

^{* 1} patient received BV+PD-1 combination maintenance therapy post-HSCT and is not included in the patient breakdown in this table.

[†] Patients who received HSCT with/without chemotherapy, but no BV or PD-1 treatment. HSCT, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; BV, brentuximab vedotin; PD-1, programmed cell death-1 inhibitors;

Table 2. Treatments Received Post-RRHL Evidence Among the Study Population						
	All patients N=342	No HSCT* n=232 (67.8%)	BV and/or PD-1 prior- or post-HSCT* n=23 (6.7%)	HSCT only n=86 (25.1%)		
Any HSCT	110 (32.2%)	(07.070)	23 (100%)	86 (100%)		
Autologous	104 (94.6%)	-	21 (91.3%)	82 (95.4%)		
Allogeneic	8 (7.3%)	2	3 (13.0%)	5 (5.8%)		
Autologous/allogeneic	2 (1.8%)	2 = 81	1 (4.4%)	1 (1.2%)		
BV treatment	90 (26.3%)	68 (29.3%)	21 (91.3%)	-		
Initiated in LOT1	50 (55.6%)	39 (57.4%)	11 (52.4%)	2		
Initiated in LOT2	27 (30.0%)	22 (32.4%)	5 (23.8%)			
Mean duration of treatment	4.3 months	4.6 months	3.5 months			
PD-1 treatment	56 (16.4%)	46 (19.8%)	9 (39.1%)	-		
Initiated in LOT1	24 (42.9%)	21 (45.7%)	3 (33.3%)	-		
Initiated in LOT2	14 (25.0%)	13 (28.3%)	1 (11.1%)	-		
Mean duration of treatment	5.3 months	5.6 months	3.3 months			
BV and PD-1 treatment	33 (9.7%)	25 (10.8%)	7 (30.4%)			
BV only treatment	57 (16.7%)	43 (18.5%)	14 (60.9%)			
PD-1 only treatment	23 (6.7%)	21 (9.1%)	2 (8.7%)	-		
BV prior to HSCT	12 (3.5%)	-	12 (52.2%)	-		
BV after HSCT	10 (2.9%)	-	9 (39.1%)	-		
Number of LOTs received						
1	134 (39.2%)	93 (40.1%)	0	41 (47.7%)		
2	92 (26.9%)	66 (28.5%)	7 (30.4%)	19 (22.1%)		
3	48 (14.0%)	32 (13.8%)	3 (13.0%)	13 (15.1%)		
4	30 (8.8%)	16 (6.9%)	5 (21.7%)	9 (10.5%)		
5	17 (5.0%)	11 (4.7%)	4 (17.4%)	2 (2.3%)		
>5	21 (6.1%)	14 (6.0%)	4 (17.4%)	2 (2.3%)		

¹ patient received BV+PD-1 combination maintenance therapy post-HSCT and is not included in the patient

Figure 1

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HSCT, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; BV, brentuximab vedotin; LOT, line of therapy post-RRHL evidence; PD-1, programmed cell death-1 inhibitors; RRHL, relapsed/refractory Hodgkin lymphoma; SD, standard deviation.