Oral infigratinib treatment is well tolerated and significantly increases height velocity in children with achondroplasia: Month 6 results from the PROPEL 2 dosefinding study

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- Infigratinib has not been approved by the FDA or any other regulatory authority for treatment of achondroplasia, as its efficacy and safety have not yet been established.
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Achondroplasia (ACH) is the most common short-limbed skeletal dysplasia

- ACH affects between 1 in 15,000 and 1 in 30,000 live births, with an estimated global prevalence of 250,000^{1,2}
- ACH is characterized by defective endochondral ossification resulting from gain of function pathogenic variants in the fibroblast growth factor receptor-3 gene (FGFR3)^{3,4}, which is a negative regulator of endochondral bone formation
- Characteristic clinical features include disproportionate short stature, smaller than average chest, macrocephaly with frontal bossing, midface hypoplasia, curvature of the spine, hypermobile joints, leg bowing, and shortening of the fingers and toes⁴
- Individuals with ACH experience a variety of physical, functional, and psychosocial complications and challenges throughout their lifetime⁴



Achondroplasia is associated with multiple medical complications throughout the lifetime of affected individuals

	Infants	Toddlers and children	Adults		
	Birth <2 years 2-	-6 years 7–18 years	>18 years		
ENT, respiratory, dental	 Middle ear effusions, infections (>50%) Obstructive sleep apnea (>50%) Pulmonary complications (rare) leading to restrictive pulmonary disease Malocclusion 				
Neurologic and psychologic	 Sudden infant death Ventriculomegaly Foramen magnum/craniocervical junction stenosis, hydrocephalus 	 Psychosocial challenges around start of schooling and early adolescence 			
Orthopedic	Kyphosis (until standing)Knee hypermobility	 Hyperlordosis Angular deformities of the lower limbs Challenged gait Obesity (>50%) 	 Lumbar spinal stenosis L1-L4 (20% by age 20, 80% by age 60) Back pain, peripheral nerve compression 		



Infigratinib is an oral, selective FGFR 1-3 inhibitor in development as a treatment option for achondroplasia



Infigratinib

- Orally-available, selective, ATPcompetitive FGFR-selective tyrosine kinase inhibitor
- Selective for FGFR 1, 2 & 3
- Inhibits both pathways responsible for the clinical phenotype associated with achondroplasia

Infigratinib directly targets FGFR3 overactivity, the underlying cause of achondroplasia



Infigratinib demonstrated a robust response on long bone, foramen magnum and spine in a mouse model of achondroplasia

ACH (<i>Fgfr3^{Y367C/+}</i>) mouse model data		FGFR3 Wild Type	FGFR3 Mutant Mouse No treatment	FGFR3 Mutant Mouse Infigratinib Treatment	Key Results
<i>Fgfr3^{Y367C/+}</i> Mice showed a robust long bone response to infigratinib of >20%	Xray Collagen X immunostaining				21% increase in femur length 33% increase in tibia length Improvement in impaired differentiation of hypertrophic chondrocytes
Infigratinib reduced foramen magnum defects and increased craniofacial skeleton growth in FGFR3 ^{Y367C/+} mice	Foramen magnum area Craniofacial skeleton			66 505	17% mean increase in foramen magnum area6% mean increase in AP skull length
The spine of mice treated with infigratinib was longer compared to those without treatment	Vertebral body length Intervertebral disk width				 12 % mean increase in L4-L6 length 73% mean increase in intervertebral disk width

The foramen magnum & spinal impact of infigratinib in preclinical models suggests potential benefit in the most severe medical complications of achondroplasia



Infigratinib in achondroplasia is being evaluated in the PROPEL program



Primary endpoints

PROPEL2

- Change from baseline annualized height velocity (AHV)
- Safety and tolerability

PROPEL OLE

- Changes over time in height z-score
- Long term safety

Secondary endpoints

- Change in upper body to lower body segment proportionality
- Patient-reported outcome measures: PedsQoL, QoLISSY, Pain-NRS
- Height-for-age z-score (PROPEL2); Change over time in HV Z-score (PROPEL OLE)

PROPEL2: Study design

- Phase 2, open-label study, designed to provide preliminary evidence of safety and efficacy of oral infigratinib in children with achondroplasia, and to identify the dose of infigratinib to be explored in Phase 3.
- PROPEL2 consists of 3 parts:
 - Dose Escalation with Extended treatment Period Phase; PK Sub-study:
 - 5 ascending-dose cohorts (doses 0.016-0.25mg/kg/day)
 - Treatment for 6 months at their assigned dose, continuing for an additional 12 months of treatment (extended-treatment period).
 - Dose increases (at M6 and M12) were allowed in children enrolled in cohorts 1 and 2 if height velocity had not increased by >25% compared with baseline and if no safety concerns were observed
 - Dose Expansion period:
 - Confirmatory phase, where additional children will enroll and receive 12 months of treatment with infigratinib at the dose selected from the dose escalation portion
- Enrolls children 3-<11yo, with confirmed molecular diagnosis of achondroplasia and who have completed at least 6 months of observation in PROPEL.*</p>



Month 6 Results



Subject disposition and demographics

Disposition

72 children enrolled

Early discontinuation: 4

- 3 Withdrawal of consent (personal circumstances that would interfere with complying with study activities)
- 1 subject required a procedure that would confound the efficacy and safety assessments
- Study completion: 39
 - All subjects continued treatment in the OLE

Demographics

- Females: 42 (58.3%); Males: 30 (41.7%)
- Ages (at consent): Mean: 7.5 ± 2.2
 - Range: 3.1–11.5 years old
 - <8 yo: 37 (51.4%)
 - 3 <5 yo: 12 (16.7%)
 - ≥8 yo: 35 (48.6%)
- Race:
 - White: 44 (61.1%)
 - Black or African American: 4 (5.6%)
 - Asian: 6 (8.3%)
 - Multiple: 2 (2.8%)
 - Other: 3 (4.2%); Not reported: 13 (18.1%)



Safety – Summary of AEs

- Treatment with infigratinib has been well tolerated
- No serious adverse events (SAEs), no AE that required treatment discontinuation
- 71/72 (98.6%) children presented at least 1 TEAE
 - Most TEAEs grade 1 (58.3%) and 2 (34.7%) in severity, and mostly not related to study drug
 - 4 subjects (2 from cohort 2, and 2 from cohort 3) had a Grade 3 TEAE assessed as not related to study drug, and represent expected comorbidities in children with ACH:
 - Cholesteatoma, hydrocephalus, severe sleep apnea, worsening of adenoidal hypertrophy
- At the highest dose level (Cohort 5 0.25mg/kg/day)
 - No serious adverse events (SAEs), no AE that required treatment discontinuation
 - Most TEAEs grade 1 in severity and none of the TEAEs were assessed as related to study drug
 - 0 subjects with grade 3 TEAEs
 - 0 ocular adverse events
 - 0 hyperphosphatemia events
 - No accelerated progression of the bone age and no worsening in body proportions



AEs reported in ≥10%

AE	Total (%) N = 72
Vomiting	20 (27.8%)
Abdominal pain	11 (15.3%)
Diarrhea	10 (13.9%)
Abdominal pain upper	8 (11.1%)
Pyrexia	16 (22.2%)
Nasopharyngitis	29 (40.3%)
COVID-19	22 (30.6%)
Ear infections	18 (25.0%)
Rhinitis	11 (15.3%)
Upper respiratory tract infections	10 (13.9%)
Viral infection	9 (12.5%)
Pain in extremity	20 (27.8%)
Headache	21 (29.2%)
Cough	10 (13.9%)

AEs most frequently reported are considered common conditions in pediatric population, particularly in children with achondroplasia.



Infigratinib demonstrated significant, dose-responsive increases in annualized height velocity compared to baseline



Cohort 5

N = 12

Female:Male ratio	7:5		
Mean age (yr) <5 5 - <8 8 - <11	7.24 8% 58% 25%		
>=11 BL AHV (cm/yr) Mean (SD)	8% 3.52 (1.3)		
Month 6 AHV (cm/yr) Mean (SD) Median	6.9 (2.06) 7.58		



P values 6M AHV vs BL AHV Note: Data shown is restricted to children ages 5 and greater, except in Cohort 5– cohort 5 includes one child who turned 5 between screening and dosing Source: Data on file

83% of children in cohort 5 responded to infigratinib with an increase in AHV ≥25% over BL

Responder rate¹ at M6

% with an AHV increase of >25% from baseline





¹Responder defined as having a change from baseline AHV of 25% or greater Note: Data shown is restricted to children ages 5 and greater, except in Cohort 5– cohort 5 includes one child who turned 5 between screening and dosing Source: Data on file.

Changes at M6 in height z-score and body proportions compared to baseline

🗖 Baseline 📃 Month 6

Height z-score change (ACH growth curve)

Mean (SE)



Mean upper to lower body segment ratio



Cohort 5 dose level resulted in a significant increase in height z-score (for both ACH and non-ACH growth charts) and in a decrease in the upper to lower body segment ratio



Collagen X Marker (CXM), an independent, real-time biomarker of bone growth, showed a dose-responsive increase



- Collagen X is synthesized and deposited in the hypertrophic zones of active growth plates
- Upon endochondral ossification, collagen X is degraded and the NC1 domain, the marker designated as CXM, is released into the circulation in proportion to overall growth plate activity
- Circulating CXM levels correlates well with growth velocity in real time

The increase in CXM further supports the clinical response



Summary

- Treatment with oral infigratinib has been well tolerated, with no SAE, or TEAE that led to treatment discontinuation
- At cohort 5 dose level, (0.25mg/kg/day)
 - No hyperphosphatemia
 - No ocular AEs (i.e., no retinal or corneal disorders)
 - No accelerated progression of bone age
 - -No worsening of body proportions
 - Preliminary data suggests the cohort 5 dose level may be having a positive effect on the upper/lower body segment ratio
- Treatment with infigratinib at the Cohort 5 dose level resulted in a significant and robust increase in AHV compared to BL, with a change of +3.38cm/year
- This increase in growth was translated in an increase in z-score of +0.29 standard deviation scores compared to ACH growth charts and +0.25 standard deviation scores compared to average height growth charts
- Changes in linear growth are supported by increase in CXM, supporting a true biologic effect



Conclusions



The safety and efficacy of oral, once-daily dose of infigratinib at 0.25mg/kg/day will be further explored in a Phase 3 randomized-controlled trial



The 6-month observational lead-in to the Phase 3 is open for enrollment



If these Phase 2 data are confirmed, infigratinib could potentially offer children with achondroplasia the first effective oral therapy to improve growth, enhance functionality and decrease medical complications



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