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**Understanding Next in Class Novel  
Therapies in Multiple Myeloma:**  
*New Classes and Targets*

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Welcome and Introductions



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## Recent Drug Approvals

Drug*	Class	FDA Approval
Farydak® (panobinostat)	HDAC inhibitor	February 23, 2015
Darzalex™ (daratumumab)	Antibody	November 16, 2015
Ninlaro® (ixazomib)	Proteasome inhibitor	November 20, 2015
Empliciti™ (elotuzumab)	Antibody	November 30, 2015

\* All of the approvals above are for the treatment of relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma

HDAC, histone deacetylase inhibitor.



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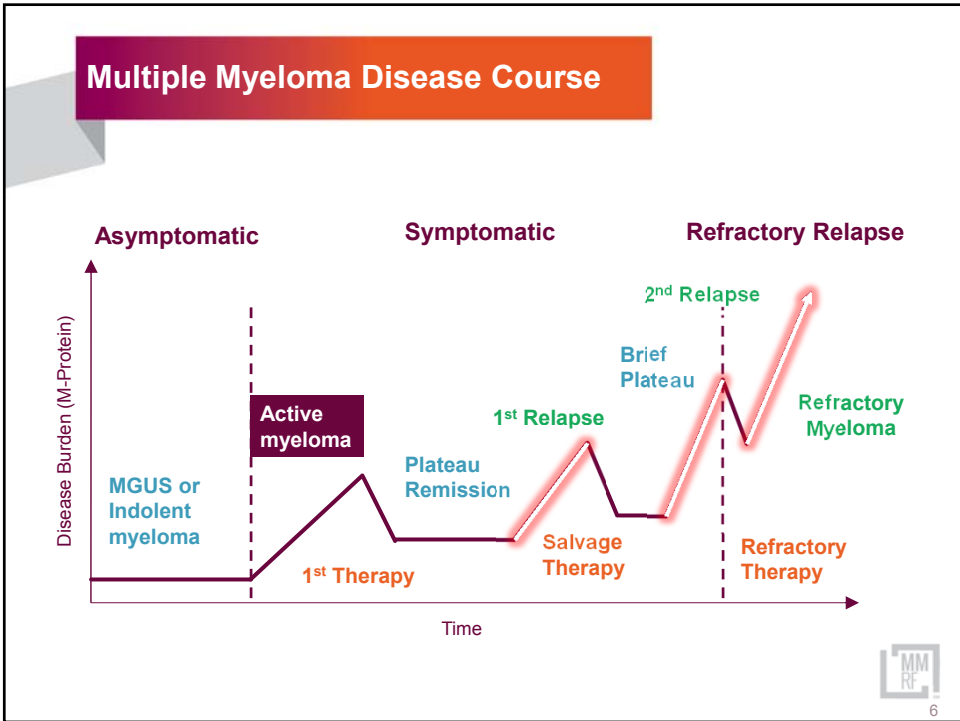
## Myeloma Overview



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### Focus on Relapsed and Refractory Multiple Myeloma

Relapsed	Refractory
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When the cancer returns after treatment, usually after a period of remission or response</li> <li>• Since there is no cure for multiple myeloma, it is likely that patients will relapse at some point during their disease</li> <li>• With therapy, relapsed patients can achieve a second response</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When myeloma is not responsive to therapy</li> <li>• May occur in patients who never see a response from their first treatment therapies</li> <li>• May occur in patients who do initially respond to treatment, but do not respond to treatment after a relapse</li> </ul>



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### Proteasome Inhibitors



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## Proteasome Inhibitors

Drug	Description
Velcade® (bortezomib)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IV infusion approved for refractory (2003), relapsed (2005), and newly diagnosed MM (2008)</li> <li>SQ injection approved in 2012</li> </ul>
Kyprolis® (carfilzomib)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IV infusion</li> <li>Approved as a single agent (2012), as DOUBLET with dexamethasone (2016), and TRIPLET with Revlimid plus dexamethasone (2016)</li> </ul>
Ninlaro® (ixazomib)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Once-weekly pill</li> <li>Approved TRIPLET with Revlimid and dexamethasone (2015)</li> </ul>
Marizomib	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IV infusion</li> <li>Currently in clinical trials</li> </ul>
Oprozomib	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Once-weekly pill</li> <li>Currently in clinical trials</li> </ul>

IV, intravenous; MM, multiple myeloma; SQ, subcutaneous.  
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## Weekly Carfilzomib: CHAMPION-1 Study

- Phase I/II study of weekly carfilzomib 70 mg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Promising response rates and PFS
  - 77% overall response rate; 63% response rate in patients refractory to bortezomib
  - Median duration of response: 16.3 months
  - Median PFS: 14.3 months
- Tolerable safety profile
- Next steps: Phase III ARROW study will compare once-weekly vs twice-weekly carfilzomib

PFS, progression-free survival.  
Berenson J et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23): Abstract 373.



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### High-Dose Carfilzomib: Phase III ENDEAVOR Study

- ENDEAVOR compared high-dose carfilzomib (56 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) plus dexamethasone with bortezomib plus dexamethasone
- Response and PFS was better with carfilzomib
  - In patients with 1 prior line of therapy:
    - Overall response rate was better with carfilzomib (82%) than bortezomib (66%)
    - PFS was better with carfilzomib (22.2 months) than bortezomib (10.1 months)
  - In patients with 2 or more prior lines of therapy:
    - Overall response rate was better with carfilzomib (72%) than bortezomib (60%)
    - PFS was better with carfilzomib (14.9 months) than bortezomib (8.4 months)
- More patients in the carfilzomib group developed high blood pressure and cardiac failure

PFS, progression-free survival.

Moreau P et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23): Abstract 729.



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### Ixazomib Dose Comparison

- Study comparing 2 doses of ixazomib (4 mg vs. 5.5 mg) plus weekly dexamethasone in patients with relapsed MM who had not previously received a proteasome inhibitor
- Early results (median follow up of 10 months):
  - Overall response rate is better for the 5.5 mg ixazomib group (51%) than the 4 mg group (31%)
  - Ixazomib was well-tolerated at both doses
    - Fewer patients required dose reductions in the 4 mg group (17%) than the 5.5 mg group (43%)

MM, multiple myeloma.

Kumar SK et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):3050.



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### All-Oral Triplet: Ixazomib, Lenalidomide and Dexamethasone

- Phase III study comparing ixazomib, lenalidomide, and dex (triplet) with lenalidomide and dex
  - Patients had 1-3 prior lines of therapy and were not refractory to prior lenalidomide or proteasome inhibitor therapy
- Better response, duration of response, and PFS with triplet therapy
  - Overall response rate: 78.3% vs. 71.5%
  - Duration of response: 20.5 months vs. 15.0 months
  - PFS: 20.6 months vs. 14.7 months
- All-oral triplet therapy well tolerated

dex, dexamethasone; PFS, progression-free survival.  
Moreau P, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):727.



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### Triplet Therapy: Ixazomib, Pomalidomide and Dexamethasone

- Phase I/II study comparing ixazomib plus pomalidomide and dex (triplet) with pomalidomide plus dex (doublet)
  - Patients had received  $\geq 2$  prior lines of therapy and were refractory to an IMiD and a proteasome inhibitor
- Phase I results
  - 13 patients completed  $>1$  cycle of triplet therapy
  - Best ORR: 62% (7 PR, 1 VGPR)
- Next steps: comparing the triplet and doublet treatments

dex, dexamethasone; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response, VGPR, very good partial response.

Voorhees PM, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):375.



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### Marizomib, Pomalidomide, and Dexamethasone

- Study in heavily pretreated patients
  - Including patients with high-risk genetics and refractory to prior carfilzomib treatment
- Highly active triplet
  - Partial responses: 64%
  - Partial + minimal responses: 79%
- Manageable toxicities

Spencer A, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):4220.



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### Oprozomib, Pomalidomide, and Dexamethasone

- Study in heavily treated patients
  - Patients had  $\geq 2$  prior treatment cycles with bortezomib and either lenalidomide or thalidomide
  - Best treatment schedule: oprozomib 210 mg twice weekly (2/7)
- Early data
  - Confirmed responses: 86%
  - Duration of response: 29-287 days
- Well tolerated

Shah JJ, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):378.



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## HDAC Inhibitors



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## HDAC Inhibitors

Drug	Description
Farydak® (panobinostat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral non-selective HDAC inhibitor</li> <li>Approved in combination with bortezomib and dexamethasone (2015)</li> </ul>
Ricolinostat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral selective HDAC6 inhibitor</li> <li>Currently in clinical trials</li> </ul>
ACY-241	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral selective HDAC6 inhibitor</li> <li>Currently in clinical trials</li> </ul>

HDAC, histone deacetylase inhibitor.  
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## Panobinostat Combinations

### Ongoing Studies in Relapsed/Refractory Disease

- Panobinostat, lenalidomide, bortezomib  
dexamethasone
- Panobinostat, lenalidomide, dexamethasone
- Panobinostat, thalidomide, bortezomib,  
dexamethasone-panobinostat maintenance
- Panobinostat, carfilzomib
- Panobinostat, ixazomib, dexamethasone
- Panobinostat, everolimus

Laubach JP, et al. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2015;21(21):4767-4773.



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## Ricolinostat Triplet Regimens

- Ricolinostat, pomalidomide, dexamethasone
  - Median follow-up: 12 weeks
  - Overall response rate: 29%
- Ricolinostat, bortezomib, dexamethasone
  - Median follow-up: 3 months
  - Overall response rate: 39%
- Ricolinostat, lenalidomide, dexamethasone
  - Median follow-up: 6 months
  - Overall response rate: 55%

1. Raje N, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):4228. 2. Vogl N, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):1827.  
3. Yee A, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):3055.



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## ACY-241

- Phase I trial ACY-241 alone followed by triplet therapy with ACY-241 plus pomalidomide and dexamethasone
  - Patients had  $\geq 2$  prior treatment cycles of lenalidomide and a PI
- Very early data after 1-3 cycles of treatment
  - ACY-241 monotherapy and combination therapy well tolerated
  - Evidence of anti-tumor activity

Niesvizky R, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):3040.



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## Antibody Therapies



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### Antibody Therapy

Drug	Target	Description
Darzalex™ (daratumumab)	CD38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IV infusion</li> <li>• Approved as a single agent in relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma</li> </ul>
Empliciti™ (elotuzumab)	SLAMF7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IV infusion</li> <li>• Approved in combination with Revlimid and dexamethasone</li> </ul>
Keytruda® (pembrolizumab)	PD-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approved to treat melanoma and metastatic non-small cell lung cancer</li> <li>• NOT APPROVED in multiple myeloma</li> </ul>
Isatuximab (SAR650984)	CD38	

IV, intravenous.

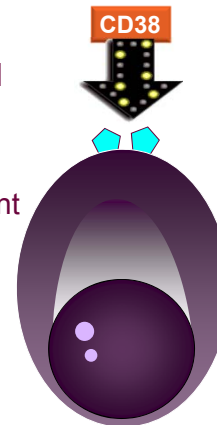
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### Daratumumab

- Darzalex (daratumumab) is a monoclonal antibody that targets CD38
- Current approved use for daratumumab:
  - Patients who have had ≥3 lines of treatment
  - Patients who are refractory to a PI and an IMiD
  - Approved for use as a single agent



IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; PI, proteasome inhibitor.



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### Daratumumab Monotherapy in Heavily Treated Patients

- Study of daratumumab monotherapy
  - Combined analysis of GEN501 and SIRIUS trials
  - GEN501:  $\geq 2$  lines of treatment
  - SIRIUS:  $\geq 3$  lines or refractory to both PI and IMiD
- Early data (median follow-up: 14.8 months)
  - Overall response rate: 31%
  - Median duration of response: 7.6 months
  - Overall survival: 19.9 months

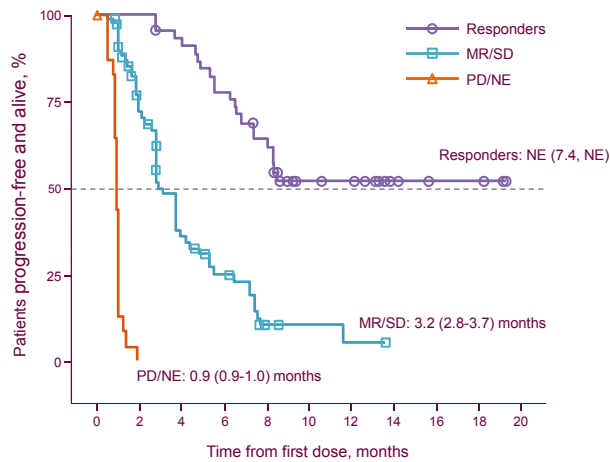
IMiD, immunomodulatory drug, PI, proteasome inhibitor.  
Usmani S, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):29.



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### Daratumumab Monotherapy in Heavily Treated Patients

#### Progression-Free Survival



MR, minimal response; NE, not evaluable; PD, progressive disease; SD, stable disease.  
Usmani S, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):29.



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### Triplet Therapy: Daratumumab, Pomalidomide, Dexamethasone

- Phase I study in relapsed/refractory MM
  - Patients had  $\geq 2$  prior therapies, including  $\geq 2$  cycles bortezomib or lenalidomide but no prior pomalidomide
- Triplet shows promising activity
  - Overall response rate: 71%
  - Response in double-refractory patients: 67%
- Well tolerated
  - Similar to pomalidomide and dexamethasone doublet
- Next steps: Phase III trial

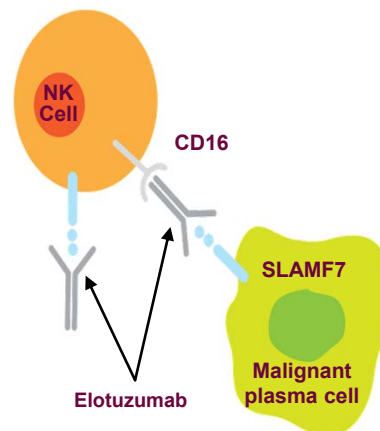
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Chari A, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):508.



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### Elotuzumab

- Emlipiciti (elotuzumab) is a monoclonal antibody that recognizes a protein (SLAMF7) that myeloma and natural killer (NK) cells produce
- Approved as combination therapy (ELd, elotuzumab, Revlimid (lenalidomide), dexamethasone) in patients who have received 1-3 prior therapies



Hsi ED, et al. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2008;14:2775-2784. Tai YT, et al. *Blood*. 2008;112:1329-1337.  
van Rhee F, et al. *Mol Cancer Ther*. 2009;8:2616-2624. Lonial S, et al. *Blood*. 2009;114:432.



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### ELOQUENT-2 Update

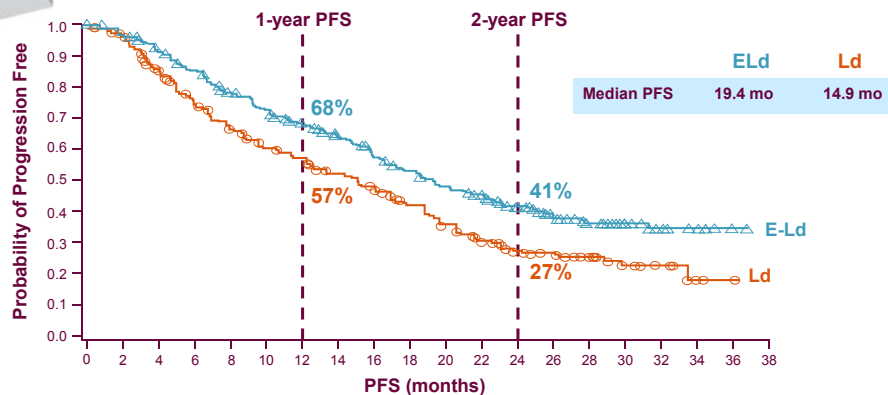
- The ELOQUENT-2 trial compared the effectiveness of elotuzumab, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone (ELd) with lenalidomide and dexamethasone (Ld) in patients with relapsed, refractory multiple myeloma
  - 3-year follow-up data were presented at ASH 2015
- Patients receiving ELd had a 30% reduction in the risk of disease progression or death compared with those treated with Ld

ELd: elotuzumab plus lenalidomide/dexamethasone; Ld: lenalidomide/dexamethasone.  
1. Lonial S, et al. *New Engl J Med.* 2015;373:621-631. 2. Dimopoulos MA, et al. *Blood.* 2015;126(23):28.



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### ELOQUENT-2 Update: Progression-Free Survival



ELd-treated patients had a 30% reduction in the risk of disease progression or death vs Ld; treatment difference at 1 and 2 years was 11% and 14%, respectively

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1. Lonial S, et al. *New Engl J Med.* 2015;373:621-631. 2. Dimopoulos MA, et al. *Blood.* 2015;126(23):28.



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## Immunomodulatory Drugs



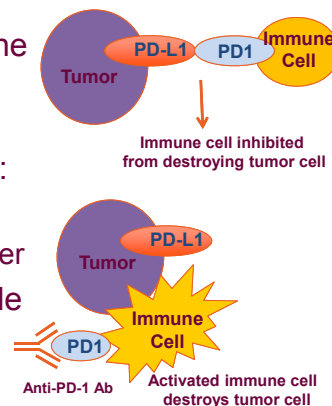
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## Pembrolizumab

- Keytruda (pembrolizumab) is a monoclonal antibody that targets the programmed cell death 1 (PD-1) receptor
- Approved uses for pembrolizumab:
  - Advanced melanoma
  - Metastatic non-small cell lung cancer
- Currently in clinical trials for multiple myeloma



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### Triplet Therapy: Pembrolizumab, Lenalidomide, Dexamethasone

- Phase I study of pembrolizumab, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone in heavily treated R/R MM
  - Patients had  $\geq 2$  prior treatments including a PI and IMiD
- Early data (median follow-up: 9.5 months)
  - Overall response rate: 76%
  - Response in lenalidomide-refractory patients: 56%
  - Median duration of response: 9.7 months
- Combination well tolerated
  - Safety consistent with individual drug profiles

MM, multiple myeloma; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; PI, proteasome inhibitor;  
R/R, relapsed/refractory.  
San Miguel J, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):505.



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### Triplet Therapy: Pembrolizumab, Pomalidomide, Dexamethasone

- Phase II study of pembrolizumab, pomalidomide, and dexamethasone in R/R MM
  - Patients had  $\geq 2$  prior treatments including a PI and IMiD
- Early data (median follow-up: 9.5 months)
  - Overall response rate: 60%
  - Response in double-refractory patients: 55%
  - Median time to best response: 2 months
- Manageable safety profile

MM, multiple myeloma; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; PI, proteasome inhibitor;  
R/R, relapsed/refractory.  
Badros AZ, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):506.



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### Other Antibodies

Antibody	Target
SAR650984	CD38
B-B4, nBTO62, DL101	CD138
Lucatumumab	CD40
IPH-2101	KIR
Atezolizumab	PDL-1



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### Immunomodulatory Drugs (IMiDs)

Drug	Description
Thalomid® (thalidomide)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral medication</li> <li>• Given alone or with dexamethasone</li> </ul>
Revlimid® (lenalidomide)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral medication</li> <li>• Approved in combination with dexamethasone</li> </ul>
Pomalyst® (pomalidomide)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral medication</li> <li>• Approved in combination with dexamethasone</li> </ul>



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## Immunomodulatory Drugs (IMiDs)

- IMiDs work against cancer cells partly by impacting the functioning of the immune system
- As a result, IMiDs:
  - Directly effect tumor cells
  - Also effect blood vessels and other substances around the tumor (called the tumor microenvironment)
- Considered the “backbone” of many treatment combinations in multiple myeloma



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## Immunomodulatory Drugs (IMiDs)

### Today, you've heard about:

#### PI combinations

- Ixazomib, lenalidomide, dex
- Ixazomib, pomalidomide, dex
- Marizomib, pomalidomide, dex
- Oprozomib, pomalidomide, dex

#### HDAC inhibitor combinations

- Panobinostat/IMiD combinations
- Ricolinostat, pomalidomide, dex
- Ricolinostat, lenalidomide, dex
- ACY-241, pomalidomide, dex

#### Antibody combinations

- Daratumumab, pomalidomide, dex
- Elotuzumab, lenalidomide, dex
- Pembrolizumab, lenalidomide, dex
- Pembrolizumab, pomalidomide, dex

dex, dexamethasone;; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug, HDAC, histone deacetylase inhibitor; PI, proteasome inhibitor.

1. Moreau P, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):727. 2. Voorhees PM, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):375. 3. Spencer A, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):4220. 4. Shah JJ, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):378. 5. Laubach JP, et al. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2015;21(21):4767-4773. 6. Rajee N, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23): 4228. 7. Yee A, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23): 3055. 8. Niesvizky R, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):3040. 9. Chari A et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):508. 10. Dimopoulos MA, et al. *Blood*. 2015;126(23):28. 11. San Miguel J, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):505. 12. Badros AZ, et al. *Blood*. 2015; 126(23):506.



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### Other Novel Therapies

Drug Class	Agents
• BTK inhibitors	• Ibrutinib, AVL-292
• CDK inhibitors	• PD0332991, SCH727965, AT7519
• BCL antagonist	• ABT263
• HSP90 inhibitors	• Ganetespib (STA-9090)
• SINE XPO1 antagonists	• Selinexor (KPT-330)
• FGFR3 inhibitor/antibodies	• TKI258, MFGR1877S
• Mutant B-Raf inhibitor	• Vemurafenib

BCL, B-cell lymphoma/leukemia; BTK, Bruton's tyrosine kinase; CDK, cyclin-dependent kinase; FGFR3, fibroblast growth factor receptor 3; HSP90, heat-shock protein 90.



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### Question & Answer



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