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Initial Testing (Stage 1) of the Curaxin CBL0137 by the Pediatric Preclinical Testing Program

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Abstract

Background—CBL0137 is a novel drug that modulates FACT (Facilitates Chromatin Transcription), resulting in simultaneous Nuclear factor- κ B suppression, Heat shock factor 1 suppression and p53 activation. CBL0137 has demonstrated antitumor effects in animal models of several adult cancers and neuroblastoma.

Procedures—CBL0137 was tested against the Pediatric Preclinical Testing Program (PPTP) in vitro cell line panel at concentrations from 1.0 nM to 10.0 μ M and against the PPTP in vivo solid tumor xenograft and acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL) panels at 50 mg/kg administered intravenously weekly for 4 weeks.

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Results—The median relative IC_{50} (rIC₅₀) value for the PPTP cell lines was 0.28 μ M (range: 0.13 μ M to 0.80 μ M). There were no significant differences in rIC₅₀ values by histotype. CBL0137 induced significant differences in event-free survival (EFS) distribution compared to control in 10 of 31 (32%) of the evaluable solid tumor xenografts and in 8 of 8 (100%) evaluable ALL xenografts. Significance differences in EFS distribution were observed in 4 of 6 osteosarcoma lines, 3 of 3 rhabdoid tumor lines, and 2 of 6 rhabdomyosarcoma lines. No objective responses were observed among the solid tumor xenografts. For the ALL panel, 1 xenograft achieved CR and 4 achieved PR.

Conclusions—The most consistent in vivo activity for CBL0137 was observed against ALL xenografts, with some solid tumor xenograft lines showing tumor growth delay. It will be important to relate the drug levels in mice at 50 mg/kg to those in humans at the recommended phase 2 dose.

Keywords

Preclinical Testing; Developmental Therapeutics; curaxin CBL0137

INTRODUCTION

CBL0137 is a member of a new class of anticancer drugs, named curaxins, that modulate important pathways involved in pathogenesis of cancer. CBL0137 is reported to activate TP53 and inhibit cellular stress pathways mediated by nuclear factor- κ B (NF- κ B) and Heat Shock Factor-1 (HSF-1) ^{1–3}. It is considered that apoptosis induced by CBL0137 is mediated through inhibition of FACT (FAcilitates Chromatin Transcription), a chromatin remodeling complex composed of SSRP1 and SUPT16H subunits ¹. This complex is involved in the transcription of genes with highly ordered chromatin structure that are essential for replication, and mitosis ^{4–6}. Curaxins bind DNA without inducing damage or activating DNA damage sensitive pathways, but alter DNA topology sequestering FACT on DNA making it unable to bind histones that regulate normal chromatin remodeling ¹.

FACT is overexpressed in several tumor types (e.g., pancreatic ductal carcinoma and lung carcinoma) relative to paired normal tissue, and is associated with a more aggressive phenotype with overall poor survival ⁷. Less is known regarding FACT expression in pediatric cancer. Overexpression of the SSRP1 subunit was associated with an 11q12 amplicon in an anaplastic medulloblastoma ⁸, and Carter et al. ⁹ observed down regulation of MYCN when either SSRP1 or SUPT16H subunits of FACT were suppressed, suggesting that FACT may regulate expression of MYCN in neuroblastoma cell lines. FACT is expressed in early embryogenesis and in undifferentiated progenitors and stem cells of adult tissues. In contrast FACT subunit proteins are poorly detected in differentiated tissues ¹⁰.

The role of NF κ B in cancer is well established ¹¹. This transcription factor is constitutively activated in acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) ¹², and activation of the classical pathway is considered as one factor in suppression of differentiation in rhabdomyosarcoma ¹³ and in suppression of apoptosis in murine B lymphocytes, Hodgkins lymphoma cells and some breast cancer cell lines ^{14–16}. NF κ B is also associated with drug resistance in neuroblastoma

cells ¹⁷, possibly through upregulation of MDR1 ¹⁸ that encodes the ABC drug transporter ABCB1.

CBL0137 has been shown to reduce colony formation in several pancreatic tumor cell lines at sub-micromolar concentrations, suppress growth of PANC-1 tumors and to have additive activity when combined with gemcitabine in this orthotopic xenpograft model. CBL0137 also retarded growth of several patient derived pancreatic ductal carcinoma xenografts, the sensitivity of which correlated with level of FACT by immunohistochemistry ¹⁹. Oral CBL0137, significantly extended survival (median survival time from start of treatment = 31.0 ± 9.9 days versus controls = 3.0 ± 0.2 days; P<0.0001), and was as effective as cisplatin or cyclophosphamide single-agent treatment when evaluated in the TH-MYCN transgenic model of neuroblastoma, and the combination of CBL0137 cyclophosphamide/topotecan resulted in more than doubling of lifespan against the BE(2)-C neuroblastoma xenograft model ⁹. CBL0137 was selected for testing against the in vitro and in vivo PPTP panels because of its novel mechanism of action.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

In vitro testing

In vitro testing was performed using DIMSCAN [20], as previously described in a characterized panel of 24 cell lines ²⁰. Cells were incubated in the presence of CBL0137 for 96 hours at concentrations from 1.0 nM to 10 μ M and analyzed as previously described ²¹.

In vivo tumor growth inhibition studies

CB17SC *scid*^{-/-} female mice (Taconic Farms, Germantown NY), were used to propagate subcutaneously implanted kidney/rhabdoid tumors, sarcomas (Ewing, osteosarcoma, rhabdomyosarcoma), neuroblastoma, and non-glioblastoma brain tumors, while BALB/c nu/nu mice were used for glioma models, as previously described ²². Human leukemia cells were propagated by intravenous inoculation in female non-obese diabetic (NOD)/*scid*^{-/-} mice as described previously ²³. Female mice were used irrespective of the patient gender from which the original tumor was derived. All mice were maintained under barrier conditions and experiments were conducted using protocols and conditions approved by the institutional animal care and use committee of the appropriate consortium member. Eight to ten mice were used in each control or treatment group. Tumor volumes (cm³) [solid tumor xenografts] or percentages of human CD45-positive [%hCD45+] cells [ALL xenografts] were determined and responses were determined using three activity measures as previously described ²². An in-depth description of the analysis methods is included in the Supplemental Response Definitions section.

Statistical Methods

The exact log-rank test, as implemented using Proc StatXact for SAS®, was used to compare event-free survival distributions between treatment and control groups. P-values were two-sided and were not adjusted for multiple comparisons given the exploratory nature of the studies.

Drugs and Formulation

CBL0137 was provided to the Pediatric Preclinical Testing Program by Cleveland Biolabs Inc., through the Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program (NCI). CBL0137 was formulated in 5% dextrose with a working solution of 10 mg/ml and with dosing at 0.05 ml per 10 gm body weight. CBL0137 was administered by intravenous injection, weekly for 4 consecutive weeks. The total planned treatment and observation period was 6 weeks. Both dose and schedule were proposed by the drug supplier, based upon mouse toxicology studies.

RESULTS

In vitro testing

CBL0137 was tested against the PPTP's in vitro cell line panel at concentrations ranging from 1.0 nM to 10.0 μ M using the PPTP's standard 96 hour exposure period. The median relative IC₅₀ (rIC₅₀) value for the PPTP cell lines was 0.28 μ M, with a range from 0.13 μ M to 0.80 μ M (Table I). The most sensitive cell line, MOLT-4, is an ALL cell line. A metric used to compare the relative responsiveness of the PPTP cell lines to CBL0137 is the ratio of the median rIC₅₀ of the entire panel to that of each cell line. Higher ratios are indicative of greater sensitivity to CBL0137 and are shown in Figure 1 by bars to the right of the midpoint line.

In vivo testing

CBL0137 was tested against the PPTP solid tumor xenografts at 50 mg/kg administered by the intravenous route weekly for 4 weeks. Toxicity testing was performed prior to efficacy testing using doses of 90 mg/kg, 68 mg/kg and 50 mg/kg. At 90 mg/kg, weight loss > 10% was observed, as was mortality in 2 of 5 treated animals. The dose selected for efficacy testing was 50 mg/kg, based upon excessive tail necrosis at 68 mg/kg. CBL0137 at 50 mg/kg was generally well tolerated, with a 3.0% mortality rate in the treated groups (12/403), compared to a 0.7% rate for control animals (3/401).

Forty of 42 tested xenograft models were considered evaluable for efficacy. Results from two glioblastoma lines, propagated in athymic nude mice, were excluded from efficacy analysis as toxicity rates exceeded 25%. Complete details of testing are provided in Supplemental Table I, including total numbers of mice, number of mice that died, or were otherwise excluded, numbers of mice with events and average times to event, tumor growth delay, as well as numbers of responses and T/C values.

CBL0137 induced significant differences in EFS distribution compared to control in 10 of 31 (32%) of the solid tumor xenografts evaluable for this measure and in 8 of 8 (100%) of the evaluable ALL xenografts (Table II). BT-41 was not evaluable for differences in EFS distribution because most of the treated and control animals did not experience an event (relative tumor volume > 4) during the treatment/observation period. For those xenografts with a significant difference in EFS distribution between treated and control groups, the EFS T/C activity measure additionally requires an EFS T/C value of > 2.0 for intermediate activity and indicates a substantial agent effect in slowing tumor growth. High activity further requires a reduction in final tumor volume compared to the starting tumor volume.

CBL0137 induced tumor growth inhibition meeting criteria for intermediate EFS T/C activity in 0 of 30 (0%) evaluable solid tumor xenografts. For the ALL panel, 7 of 8 (88%) xenografts met criteria for intermediate activity. Partial responses were observed in ALL B-precursor (ALL-2, ALL-17), T-cell ALL (ALL-8, ALL-31) and a CR was observed in and infant MLL (MLL-7).

No objective responses were observed among the solid tumor xenografts. Six of 31 showed PD2 responses, indicating progressive disease with tumor growth delay greater than 1.5-fold in time to event. Of these six models 5 were wild type for TP53. However, 12 other solid tumor models wild type for TP53 were unresponsive (i.e., PD1 responses) to CBL0137. Figure 2 shows examples of tumor growth curves and Kaplan-Meier EFS curves for solid tumor xenografts with PD2 responses. For the ALL panel, 1 xenograft achieved CR and 4 achieved PR, with Figure 3 showing examples of these responses. For these responding xenograft lines, the human CD45% in peripheral blood was kept at low levels during the treatment period (day 1 to day 22), but increased rapidly after treatment was stopped. Each of the ALL xenograft lines was wildtype for TP53. The objective response results for both solid tumor and leukemia models are represented in Figure 4 using a 'COMPARE' format, based on the objective response scoring criteria centered around the midpoint score of 0 that represents stable disease. In the figure, xenografts with PD2 are indicated by a score of -3, and xenografts with regression (PR or CR) are indicated by bars to the right of the midpoint line. Red bars indicate xenografts with significant differences in EFS distribution between the treated and control groups. Figure 4 shows also the objective response activity in a "heat map" format. The relative expression of FACT subunits SSRP1 and SUPT16H for the PPTP in vitro and in vivo panels are shown in Supplemental Figure 1.

DISCUSSION

Curaxins represent novel anticancer agents that simultaneously activate TP53 and suppress survival pathways such as NF- κ B. CBL0137 has been reported to have significant activity against various preclinical models of adult carcinoma, and in the TH-MYCN transgenic mouse model of neuroblastoma ⁹.

The median relative IC₅₀ value for the PPTP cell lines was 0.28 μ M, with a fairly narrow range range from 0.13 μ M to 0.80 μ M (Table 1). The most sensitive cell line, MOLT-4, is an ALL cell line. There were no significant differences in rIC₅₀ values by histotype. Of note, the median rIC₅₀ for the neuroblastoma cell lines exceeded that of the non-neuroblastoma cell lines (0.51 μ M vs 0.26 μ M, resepctively, p=0.16), while the median rIC₅₀ for the ALL cell lines was less than that of the non-ALL cell lines (0.20 μ M vs 0.31 μ M, respectively, p=0.06). At the highest concentrations used (10 μ M) CBL0137 was clearly cytotoxic with Ymin values at or approaching –100% for all cell lines.

At present no human pharmacokinetic data are available for CBL0137. However, following a single dose of 30 or 60 mg/kg to CD-1 mice, C_{max} levels in plasma reached 6 and 13 μ M, respectively. At these doses the plasma half-life was 5.62 and 6.47 Hr, respectively (Cleveland Biolabs data, unpublished). Thus, the rIC₅₀ concentrations determined in vitro are below the C_{max} and AUC achieved in mice.

In vivo, CBL0137 was well tolerated at the dose and schedule used. Against solid tumor models the activity of CBL0137 was modest with some delay in tumor growth (PD2) in 6 models, but overall exerted low activity. These data are consistent with results using pancreatic carcinoma xenograft models where tumor growth inhibition varied from approximately 20-60% ¹⁹. Of note, none of five neuroblastoma xenografts responded significantly to CBL0137 treatment in contrast to the TH-MYCN transgenic and BE(2)-C xenograft models previously reported ⁹. In the latter report, a higher dose of CBL0137 (60 mg/kg) with more frequent dosing (every 4 days) was employed compared to that used by the PPTP (50 mg/kg every 7 days). CBL0137 demonstrated greater activity against leukemia models with partial responses (PR) measured in 3 B-precursor ALL, 1 T-cell and a complete response (CR) in an infant MLL model. Of note, the responding ALL models had relatively low level expression of both SSRP1 and SUPT16H (that encodes SPT16), considered as markers for sensitivity when expressed at high levels ¹⁹. In contrast, KT-13 (Wilms tumor) expressed the highest level of SUPT16 and had high-level expression of SSRP1, but had a poor response (PD1, T/C EFS = 1.6). Thus, the major activity against these models appears to be in the leukemia panel, although the duration of response was short suggesting that the depth of remisson was not deep.

Of importance in considering next steps is how the drug levels in mice at the dose used for testing relate to the systemic exposures to CBL0137 observed in patients. Until human pharmacokinetic data are available for comparison, it is not possible to determine whether the results presented here are likely an under- or over-estimate of the likely efficacy of CBL0137 against pediatric malignancies. Carter et al. reported that CBL0137 enhanced the activity of cytotoxic agents (cyclophosphamide, topotecan) that are used in treatment of neuroblastoma and other solid tumors of childhood ⁹. If systemic exposure in mice and humans is reasonably comparable, then further combination studies with standard cytotoxic agents in solid tumor and leukemia models may be valuable in informing pediatric development of CBL0137.

Supplementary Material

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Glossary

РРТР	Pediatric Preclinical Testing Program
EFS T/C	Ratio of Event Free Survival Treated/Control
C _{max}	Maximum plasma concentration

(NOD)/scid ^{-/-}	Non-Obese diabetic/severe combined immune deficient
FACT	Facilitates Chromatin Transcription
rIC ₅₀	median relative IC ₅₀
%hCD45+	percentages of human CD45-positive

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Figure 1.

CBL0137 *in vitro* activity: The median rIC_{50} ratio graph shows the relative rIC_{50} values for the cell lines of the PPTP panel. Each bar represents the ratio of the panel rIC_{50} to the rIC_{50} value of the indicated cell line. Bars to the right represent cell lines with higher sensitivity, while bars to the left indicate cell lines with lesser sensitivity.

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Figure 2.

CBL0137 *in vivo* objective response activity for more sensitive solid tumors (rhabdoid, BT-28, KT-14), rhabdomyosarcoma (Rh10) and Osteosarcoma (OS-1): Kaplan-Meier curves for EFS (left), median relative tumor volume graphs (center), and individual tumor volume graphs (right) are shown for selected lines. Controls (gray lines); Treated (black lines), statistical significance (p values) of the difference between treated and control groups are included.

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Figure 3.

CBL0137 *in vivo* objective response activity for leukemia models: Kaplan-Meier curves for EFS (left), median relative tumor volume graphs (center), and individual tumor volume graphs (right) are shown for selected lines. Controls (gray lines); Treated (black lines), statistical significance (p values) of the difference between treated and control groups are included.

Xenograft	Histology	Log-rank p-	Median	Difference	Overall Group	Heat			CBL0137		
DT 20	Dhahalaid	value <0.001	Store	Difference	BD2	wap					
B1-29	Rhabdoid	40.001	2	-3	PD2		-50	-2.5	00	2.5	5.0
XT-10	Rhabdold	<0.001	2	-3	PU2		87-29				
XT-14	Rhabdold	0.04	2	-3	PD2		KT-16				
KT-10	Wilms	0.104	0	-5	PD1	a	KT-14	-			- 1
CT 40	VVIIIIIS	0.056	0	-5	PD1		KT-10				
1-13	wims	0.169	1	-4	PD1		KT-11				- 1
SK-NEP-1	Ewing	0.13	0	.5	PD1		KT-13				
=W5	Ewing	0.803	0	-5	PD1		SK-NEP-1				
2008	Ewing	0.568	0	-5	PD1		DWS				- 1
C-71	Ewing	0.762	0	-5	PD1		CH47				
JHLA258	Ewing	0.376	0	-5	PD1	-	LWD				
Rh10	Alveolar RMS	<0.001	2	-3	PD2		10-71		-		
Rh28	Alveolar RMS	0.954	0	-5	PD1		OHA258				
Rh30	Alveolar RMS	0.101	0	-5	PD1		8h10	-			
Rh30R	Aiveolar RMS	<0.001	2	-3	PD2		Rh28				- 1
Rh41	Alveolar RMS	0.236	0	-5	PD1		R/h30				
Rh18	Embryonal RMS	0.148	0	-5	PD1		Rh30R				
3T-28	Medulloblastoma	0.093	0	-5	PD1		Rh41				- 1
3T-50	Medulloblastoma	0.046	0	-5	PD1		Rh18				
BT-36	Ependymoma	0.01	0	-5	PD1		BT-28				
VB-SD	Neuroblastoma	0.95	0	-5	PD1		87-50				
VB-1691	Neuroblastoma	0.29	0	-5	PD1		ET-36				
NB-EBc1	Neuroblastoma	0.071	0	-5	PD1		ND C0				
CHLA-79	Neuroblastoma	0.345	0	-5	PD1		10-30		-		1
VB-1643	Neuroblastoma	0.465	0	-5	PD1		NB-1091		-		
OS-1	Osteosarcoma	<0.001	2	-3	PD2		NB-EBc1				
0S-2	Osteosarcoma	< 0.001	0	-5	PD1		CHLA-75				
DS-17	Osteosarcoma	0.196	0	-5	PD1		NB-1643				
05-9	Osteosarcoma	0.058	0	-5	PD1		05-1				
05-33	Osteosarcoma	0.003	0	-5	PD1		05-2				-
05-31	Osteosarcoma	0.045	0	-5	PD1		05-17				
ALL-2	ALL B-precursor	<0.001	6	1	PR		05-9				
ALL-4	ALL B-precursor	0.002	2	-3	PD2		05-33				
ALL-7	ALL B-precursor	<0.001	2	-3	PD2		05-31				
ALL-8	ALL T-cell	<0.001	6	1	PR		ALL-2				
ALL-17	ALL B-precursor	<0.001	6	1	PR		ALLA				
ALL-19	ALL B-precursor	<0.001	2	-3	PD2		A11.7				
ALL-31	Tertiary, T-cell ALL	<0.001	6	1	PR						
MLL-7	ALL, MLL (Infant)	< 0.001	8	3	CR						
	Median	-	0.0				ALL-17				
3	PD1	-	PR				ALL-19				1
	PD2		CR				ALL-31				
	SD	The second s	MCR				MLL.7				

Figure 4.

Left: The colored heat map depicts group response scores. A high level of activity is indicated by a score of 6 or more, intermediate activity by a score of 2 but <6, and low activity by a score of <2. Right: representation of tumor sensitivity based on the difference of individual tumor lines from the midpoint response (stable disease). Bars to the right of the median represent lines that are more sensitive, and to the left are tumor models that are less sensitive. Red bars indicate lines with a significant difference in EFS distribution between treatment and control groups, while blue bars indicate lines for which the EFS distributions were not significantly different. BT-41 is not included because it is not evaluable for the response measure.

Table 1

In Vitro Activity of IVT CBL0137 against PPTP Cell Lines

Relative In/Out (Observed -100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%~6.99~ -100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%-100.0%Ymin)^I ~9.66~ -97.1% ~6.99~ -98.9% -100.0%T/C Ymin % (Observed) 0.00 0.00 0.19 0.00 0.00 0.770.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.010.00 0.02 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.17 0.000.000.00 0.00 0.000.00 0.00 0.01Panel rIC₅₀ /Line rIC₅₀ 0.600.800.600.630.670.880.941.331.35 0.981.280.361.020.561.000.341.061.691.270.44 1.671.33 2.04 1.070.34rIC₅₀ (µM) 0.200.45 0.200.340.280.16 0.45 0.400.160.200.290.490.280.800.43 0.740.13 0.260.21 0.260.13 0.31 0.25 0.210.61Rhabdomyosarcoma Rhabdomyosarcoma Rhabdomyosarcoma Rhabdomyosarcoma Ewing sarcoma Ewing sarcoma Ewing sarcoma Neuroblastoma Ewing sarcoma Neuroblastoma Neuroblastoma Neuroblastoma Glioblastoma Histotype Rhabdoid Rhabdoid ALCL AML ALL ALL NHL ALL ALL ALL CCRF-CEM (1) COG-LL-317 Ramos-RA1 CHLA-266 CHLA-258 CHLA-136 Karpas-299 CHLA-10 SJ-GBM2 CHLA-90 Minimum NB-EBc1 CHLA-9 NALM-6 Kasumi-1 Cell Line NB-1643 MOLT-4 RS4;11 Median TC-71 BT-12 Rh18 Rh30 Rh41 ß

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doubling time for each cell line. Relative I/O% values range between 100% (no treatment effect) to -100% (complete cytotoxic effect), with a Relative I/O% value of 0% being observed for a completely ⁷The Relative In/Out (I/O)% values compare the relative difference in final cell number compared with the starting cell number for treated cells and for control cells calculated as follows: (Observed Ymin-Y0)/(100-Y0) if Observed Ymin>Y0; and (Observed Ymin-Y0)/(Y0) if Observed Ymin<Predicted Ymin). Y0 is an estimate of the starting cell number derived from determinations of the effective cytostatic agent.

Table 2

Summary of in Vivo Activity of CBL0137

-	lumor Type	Median Time to Event	P- value	EFS T/C ^I	Median RTV/CD45 at End of Study	Tumor Volume T/C	EFS Activity	Median Group Response ²
	Rhabdoid	36.7	<0.001	1.9	*	0.43	Low	PD2
	Rhabdoid	26.9	0.040	1.7	>4	0.67	Low	PD2
	Rhabdoid	13.8	<0.001	1.8	>4	0.51	Low	PD2
	Wilms	16.4	0.164	1.4	*<	0.74	Low	101
	Wilms	18.4	0.056	1.2	*<	0.59	Low	101
	Wilms	17.3	0.169	1.6	>4	0.56	Low	PD1
-	Ewing	14.6	0.130	1.3	*<	0.83	Low	IQA
	Ewing	11.0	0.803	1.1	>4	1.10	Low	PD1
	Ewing	12.8	0.568	1.2	*<	0.77	Low	PD1
	Ewing	14.2	0.762	1.1	>4	0.82	Low	PD1
8	Ewing	7.1	0.376	0.7	*<	1.00	Low	PD1
	Alveolar RMS	34.1	<0.001	1.8	-4	0.34	Low	PD2
	Alveolar RMS	25.2	0.954	0.9	-4	1.23	Low	PD1
	Alveolar RMS	17.7	0.101	1.3	*<	0.76	Low	101
	Alveolar RMS	20.7	<0.001	1.6	>4	0.48	Low	PD2
	Alveolar RMS	12.9	0.236	1.1	>4	0.83	Low	PD1
	Embryonal RMS	22.7	0.148	1.1	>4	0.90	Low	PD1
	Medulloblastoma	18.5	0.093	1.4	>4	0.67	Low	PD1
	Medulloblastoma	36.9	0.046	1.2	>4	0.86	Low	PD1
	Ependymoma	25.1	0.010	0.7	>4	1.37	Low	PD1
	Ependymoma	> EP	NE		2.5	0.86	NE	PD2
	Neuroblastoma	8.2	0.950	0.9	>4	1.03	Low	PD1
	Neuroblastoma	5.6	0.290	0.9	>4	1.13	Low	PD1
	Neuroblastoma	5.9	0.071	1.2	-4	0.74	Low	PD1
6	Neuroblastoma	<i>T.</i> 9	0.345	1.1	*	0.86	Low	PD1

Line	Tumor Type	Median Time to Event	P- value	EFS T/C ^I	Median RTV/CD45 at End of Study	Tumor Volume T/C	EFS Activity	Median Group Response ²
NB-1643	Neuroblastoma	6.4	0.465	1.0		0.96	Low	PD1
OS-1	Osteosarcoma	> EP	<0.001	> 1.5	3.8	0.73	NE	PD2
OS-2	Osteosarcoma	32.1	<0.001	1.4		0.72	Low	PD1
OS-17	Osteosarcoma	16.9	0.196	1.2		0.86	Low	PD1
6-SO	Osteosarcoma	28.4	0.058	1.3		0.77	Low	PD1
OS-33	Osteosarcoma	31.7	0.003	1.4		0.75	Low	PD1
OS-31	Osteosarcoma	21.3	0.045	1.2		0.84	Low	PD1
ALL-2	ALL B-precursor	39.9	<0.001	2.4	>25		Int	PR
ALL-4	ALL B-precursor	15.3	0.002	3.3	>25		Int	PD2
ALL-7	ALL B-precursor	13.2	<0.001	1.7	>25		Low	PD2
ALL-8	ALL T-cell	34.6	<0.001	3.5	>25		Int	PR
ALL-17	ALL B-precursor	32.9	<0.001	3.2	>25		Int	PR
ALL-19	ALL B-precursor	15.1	<0.001	2.4	>25		Int	PD2
ALL-31	ALL T-cell	31.9	<0.001	3.5	>25		Int	PR
MLL-73	ALL Infant MLL	34.2	<0.001	3.8	>25		Int	СК

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significant difference in EFS distributions, and c) a net reduction in median tumor volume for animals in the treated group at the end of treatment as compared to at treatment initiation. Intermediate activity $\int_{}^{I}$ EFS T/C value is defined by the ratio of the median time to event of the treatment group and the median time to event of the respective control group. High activity requires: a) an EFS T/C > 2; b) a demonstrates criteria a) and b) above, but not having a net reduction in median tumor volume for treated animals at the end of the study. Low activity demonstrates EFS T/C < 2.

²Objective response measures are described in detail in the Supplemental Response Definitions. PD1 = progressive disease with EFS T/C 1.5, and PD2 = progressive disease with EFS T/C > 1.5.

volumes (if less than 21 days). The T/C value is the mean RTV for the treatment group divided by the mean RTV for the control group. High activity = T/C 0.15; Intermediate activity = T/C 0.45 but > ² Tumor Volume T/C value: Relative tumor volumes (RTV) for control (C) and treatment (T) mice were calculated at day 21 or when all mice in the control and treated groups still had measurable tumor 0.15; and Low activity = T/C > 0.45.

 $^{\mathcal{J}}$ KMT2A (MLL) rearranged B-ALL.