

1 Supplementary material

2 Supplement 1. Study sites and principal investigators

3 Phase 2 Group 3 cemiplimab in patients with advanced cutaneous squamous 4 cell carcinoma study sites and principal investigators

Site	Principal investigator	Patients recruited
Royal North Shore Hospital, St Leonards, New South Wales, Australia	Alexander Guminski	8
Peter Maccallum Cancer Centre, East Melbourne, Victoria, Australia	Danny Rischin	7
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Nedlands, Western Australia, Australia	Annette Lim	7
H Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, Tampa, Florida, United States	Nikhil Khushalani	6
Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, Massachusetts, United States	Chrysalynne Schmults	5
Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, United States	Leonel Hernandez Aya	4
City of Hope, Duarte, California, United States	Badri Modi	3
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, United States	Lara Dunn	3
Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital, Brisbane, Australia	Brett Hughes	2
Stanford Cancer Center, Redwood City, California, United States	Anne Lynn Chang	2
Universitätsklinikum Schleswig-Holstein, Kiel, Germany	Axel Hauschild	1
Medizinische Hochschule Hannover, Hannover, Germany	Ralf Gutzmer	1
Universitätsklinikum Essen, Essen, Germany	Dirk Schadendorf	1
Charité Campus Mitte, Berlin, Germany	Claas Ulrich	1
Universitätsklinikum Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany	Thomas Eigentler	1

LMU Klinikum der Universität München, München, Germany	Carola Berking	1
University of Colorado, Aurora, Colorado, United States	Karl Lewis	1
University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States	Deborah Wong	1
Nebraska Methodist Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska, United States	Yungpo Su	1
Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, United States	Sunandana Chandra	1
Huntsman Cancer Institute at The University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, United States	Benjamin Voorhies	1
University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, New York, United States	Sherrif Ibrahim	1

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Royal North Shore Hospital, St Leonards, New South Wales, Australia	Alexander Guminski	4
Universitätsklinikum Essen, Essen, Germany	Dirk Schadendorf	4
Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, Massachusetts, United States	Chrysalyne Schmults	3
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Nedlands, Western Australia, Australia	Annette Lim	2
Adelaide Cancer Centre, Kurrulta Park, South Australia, Australia	Brian Stein	2
Universitätsklinikum Schleswig-Holstein, Kiel, Germany	Axel Hauschild	2
Charité Campus Mitte, Berlin, Germany	Claas Ulrich	2
Universitätsklinikum Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany	Thomas Eigentler	2
MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas, United States	Michael Migden	2
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, United States	Lara Dunn	2
Stanford Cancer Center, Redwood City, California, United States	Anne Lynn Chang	2
NYU Clinical Cancer Center, New York, United States	Anna Pavlick	2
Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio, United States	Jessica Geiger	2
Universitätsklinikum Carl Gustav Carus an der TU Dresden, Dresden, Germany	Friedegund Meier	1
LMU Klinikum der Universität München, München, Germany	Carola Berking	1
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Huntsman Cancer Institute at The University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, United States	Benjamin Voorhies	1
Mount Sinai Comprehensive Cancer Center, Miami Beach, Florida, United States	Jose Lutzky	1
St. Luke's Hematology Oncology Specialists, Easton, Pennsylvania, United States	Sanjiv Agarwala	1
Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, United States	Chrysalyne Schmults	1

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9 **Supplement 2. Additional details on study methods**

10 **Details of tumor response assessments**

11 Response assessments included radiologic scans (assessed per RECIST 1.1) for all
12 patients, and digital medical photography (assessed per modified World Health
13 Organization criteria) for patients with externally visible lesions. Composite response
14 criteria were used for patients with both radiologic and photographic assessments.
15 All radiologic response assessments were reviewed by a blinded ICR committee of
16 radiologists. All digital medical photography assessments were reviewed by a
17 blinded ICR committee of dermatology-oncology experts. For patients with only
18 radiologic assessments (no photography), only the assessments of the radiology ICR
19 were required. For patients with both photographic and radiologic assessments,
20 efficacy assessments were rendered by a multidisciplinary composite ICR committee
21 that integrated the outputs of the radiology ICR committee and the photography ICR
22 committee. For the Group 1 update, ICR committee members had discretion to
23 revise assessments for previously reviewed timepoints if they felt it to be clinically
24 appropriate upon review of additional imaging timepoints after the primary analysis.

25 **Details of tumor biomarker procedures**

26 Archived tumor samples from prior CSCC biopsies or surgeries were provided during
27 the screening period. TMB was estimated in DNA samples extracted from
28 formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tumor biopsies. Genomic DNA was
29 isolated from FFPE tissue using the QIAamp DNA FFPE Kit (Qiagen) and quantified
30 using the Qubit® Fluorometer, following slide macrodissection to ensure >20% tumor
31 content. Sequencing library was prepared using the TruSight Oncology 500®
32 (TSO500) assay kit (Illumina). Briefly, tumor DNA (40ng/sample) was sheared using

33 a Covaris sonicator, followed by end base repair, A-tailing, adapter ligation and
34 bead-based purification. Adapter-ligated samples were Polymerase Chain Reaction
35 amplified to incorporate barcodes for sample multiplexing, followed by hybridization-
36 based target region enrichment, library amplification and sequencing using the
37 NovaSeq® platform. TMB was calculated as the total number of somatic single
38 nucleotide variants and indels in the coding regions of targeted genes per megabase
39 of analyzed genomic sequence. Germline and oncogenic driver gene variants were
40 excluded from somatic mutations, according to the public database comparisons. In
41 order to reduce the effect of FFPE DNA deamination artefacts on mutational variant
42 calling, sequence reads from complementary DNA strands were identified using
43 unique molecular identifier barcodes included in the assay protocol during the
44 sequencing library generation.