

## EVOLUTION: Phase II study of radionuclide <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 therapy versus <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 in combination with ipilimumab and nivolumab for men with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (ANZUP 2001)



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## Background

- 177Lu-PSMA-617 is an emerging option for people with metastatic castrate resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC), offering comparable progression-free and survival advantage to standard-care therapies, but with better toxicity profile and improved patient experience 1, 2, 3
- 177Lu-PSMA-617 may be able to facilitate an immunogenic form of cancer cell death, releasing tumour neo-antigens, and enhancing T cell infiltration thereby potentially improving antitumour responses when combined with immune checkpoint therapy 4
- Immune checkpoint inhibitors as monotherapy, or in combination with other agents have so far shown little benefit in prostate cancer <sup>5</sup>
- We hypothesise that combining ipilimumab and nivolumab with <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 will have clinically acceptable safety and enhanced anti-tumour activity compared to single agent <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 <sup>6</sup>

## Aims

To determine the activity and safety of ipilimumab and nivolumab in combination with <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 in people with mCRPC.

## **Study Design**

EVOLUTION is an open-label, randomized (2:1), multicentre, phase 2 trial.

# Eligibility mCRPC Post 2<sup>nd</sup> generation antiandrogen therapy ECOG 0-1

ARM A (n=67)

177Lu-PSMA-617 q6w x up to 6 doses

Induction
Ipilimumab 3 mg/kg q6w x 4 doses
PLUS
Nivolumab 1 mg/kg q3w x 8 doses

ARM B (n=33)

177Lu-PSMA-617 q6w x up to 6 doses

**Tertiary** 

Prognostic & predictive

biomarkers

## **Endpoints**

## Primary

Stratification

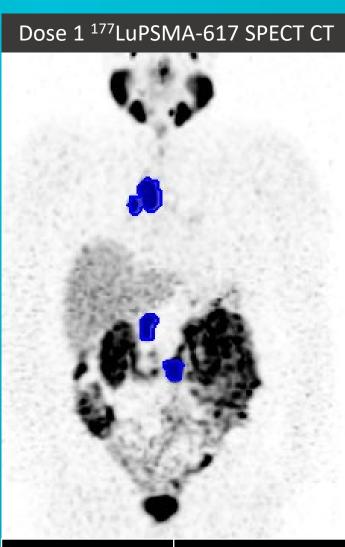
Prior docetaxel

PSA PFS at 1y

## Secondary

- PSA Response Rate
- Adverse events
- Radiographic PFS
- PSA-PFS time
- Overall survival
- Objective response rate
- Duration of response
- Time to response
- Health-related quality of life

## EVOLUTION will test if adding combination immune checkpoint inhibitors to <sup>177</sup>LuPSMA-617 will improve anti-tumour activity in mCRPC



TTV*	71ml
SUVmax	62
SUVmean	13



TTV	1ml
SUVmax	4
SUVmean	3.4

**Figure 2.** <sup>177</sup>LuPSMA-617 SPECT/CT acquisition and analysis is harmonised across trial sites and acquired 24 hours after each dose administered. The value of serial quantitative <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 SPECT/CT for response assessment is an important secondary endpoint of the trial. \*TTV = total tumour volume



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## **Key Eligibility Criteria**

- Adults with metastatic prostate adenocarcinoma.
- 2. mCRPC defined as disease progressing despite castration by orchiectomy or ongoing luteinising hormone-releasing hormone agonist or antagonist.
- 3. Must have progressed on prior second generation antiandrogen therapy.
- Significant PSMA avidity on <sup>68</sup>Ga-PSMA PET/CT, defined as SUV<sub>max</sub> ≥15 at a single site and SUV<sub>max</sub> ≥10 at all measurable sites of disease not impacted by partial voluming effect.

- 5. No prior anti-PD1, anti-PD-L1/L2, anti-CTLA-4 or other checkpoint inhibitor therapy.
- 6. No more than one line of chemotherapy in mCRPC.
- 7. No known active or suspected autoimmune disease.
- 8. No conditions requiring systemic treatment with corticosteroids or other immunosuppressive medications.
- Adequate organ function and no intercurrent illness that might limit compliance with study treatment.

## **Statistical Considerations**

100 participants are randomly assigned in a 2:1 ratio (stratified by prior exposure to docetaxel) to the combination of <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA, ipilimumab and nivolumab, or <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA alone. 67 participants in the combination therapy group provides over 90% power to reject null hypothesis (that PSA-PFS at 1 year is 20%) if the alternative hypothesis is true (that PSA-PFS at 1 year is 35%) using a one sample binomial test.

## **Enrolment and Current Status**

Ethics approval: 8 October 2021

Sites active: 7 sites

Current accrual: 51 participants (as of 1 February 2023)

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