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# ***OVERVIEW OF 2015 AND PERSPECTIVES FOR 2016***

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Masitinib is a tyrosine kinase inhibitor targeting mast cells and macrophages and developed in thirteen phase 3 indications in oncology, in neurology, and in inflammatory diseases.

### Indications with phase 3 on-going with masitinib

#### Oncology Digestive cancers

GIST L1

GIST L2

Pancreatic cancer

Metastatic colorectal cancer in 2<sup>nd</sup> line

#### Oncology - Hematology

Multiple Myeloma in 2<sup>nd</sup> Line

Peripheral T-cell lymphoma

#### Oncology - Hormonal cancer and other cancer

MCR Prostate Cancer in 1<sup>st</sup> line

Melanoma with Kit JM mutation

#### CNS disease

Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis

Progressive forms of multiple sclerosis

Alzheimer's diseases

#### Inflammatory diseases

Severe systemic Mastocytosis

Severe asthma uncontrolled by oral corticosteroids

### The phase 3 study of masitinib in severe systemic mastocytosis was successful.

#### ❖ Claim

- Treatment of adult patients with smouldering or indolent systemic mastocytosis with severe handicaps unresponsive to optimal symptomatic treatments
- Rare disease caused by mutations in the tyrosine kinase KIT and characterized by proliferation and accumulation of mast cells in various tissues, causing a wide variety of clinical manifestations
- Estimated 10,000 patients in the USA and in the EU in the claim

#### ❖ Orphan Drug status at FDA and EMA for masitinib

#### ❖ Phase 3 Design

- Masitinib was compared to placebo, on top of optimal symptomatic treatment before baseline and throughout the study
- 222 patients enrolled: 135 severe systemic mastocytosis for primary efficacy and safety analysis and 87 other (cutaneous mastocytosis and non severe systemic mastocytosis) for descriptive safety analysis only
- Pre-specified primary efficacy endpoint: Response rate on 4 severe symptoms: Pruritus, Flushes, Hamilton rating scale for depression (HAM-D-17), Fatigue Impact Scale (FIS)
- 24 week treatment period, with possible extension
- 15 participating countries: Austria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, India, Italy, Latvia, UK, USA, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland

The phase 3 study in mastocytosis was positive on the pre-specified primary endpoint and other secondary endpoints.

## ❖ Successful primary analysis

	Masitinib	Placebo	p-value	Odd ratio
4H75%: Cumulative 75% response rate on pruritus or flushes or depression or fatigue	18.7%	7.4%	0.0076	3.63

## ❖ Successful secondary analyses

	Masitinib	Placebo	p-value	Odd ratio
3H75%: Cumulative 75% response rate on pruritus or flushes or depression	24.7%	9.8%	0.0071	3.06
2H75%: Cumulative 75% response rate on pruritus or flushes	27.2%	10.7%	0.038	2.63
Pruritus 75% : Cumulative 75% response rate on the handicaps of pruritus	22.0%	7.3%	0.0322	3.13

## ❖ Successful analyses on objective markers of mast cell activation

	Masitinib	Placebo	p-value
<b>Tryptase relative change from baseline Mean ± SD</b>	-18 ± 21.4	2.2 ± 26.9	0.0001
<b>Relative change from baseline in the Body Surface Area</b> covered by the Urticaria Pigmentosa corrected with Wallace formula	-12.34(26.41)	15.91(59.79)	0.0210
<b>Darrier sign disappearance</b> for patients with “Darrier sign” at baseline	18.92%	2.70%	0.0187

## ❖ Response sustainable at two years

	Masitinib	Placebo	p-value	Odd ratio
4H75% over W8 – W96 period	17.2%	7.1%	0.0102	3.37
3H75% over W8 – W96 period	22.1%	8.6%	0.0030	3.10

The objective to de-risk the phase 3 program in particular in non-oncology through futility analyses was successfully achieved in 2015.

- ❖ Futility tests were performed, primarily in non-oncology indications which present the greatest uncertainty, in order to concentrate investments only on projects presenting a probability of success greater than 50%
  - ❖ Futility test were performed with conditional power of 20%
  - ❖ This is equivalent to a predictive probability of success of 46% with the pre-planned resampling option at interim analysis
- ❖ Based on these tests
  - The following phases 3 were continued:
    - Severe asthma uncontrolled by oral corticosteroids
    - Alzheimer's disease
    - Progressive forms of multiple sclerosis
    - Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
    - Melanomas expressing juxta-membrane mutation of c-Kit
  - The clinical development in rheumatoid arthritis was stopped

### Publications related to masitinib in 2015 confirmed the interest for masitinib in oncology and neurology.

#### ❖ **Pancreatic cancer**

Ann Oncol. 2015 Jun. A randomized, placebo-controlled phase III trial of masitinib plus gemcitabine in the treatment of advanced pancreatic cancer. Deplanque G et al.

#### ❖ **T-cell lymphoma**

Abstract on on-going phase 3 study was presented at American Society of Hematology (ASH) 2015 Annual Meeting (December 5-8, in Orlando, US)

And will be presented at the Annual T-cell Lymphoma Forum (January 28-30, 2016, in San Francisco, California)

#### ❖ **Colorectal cancer**

Abstract on on-going phase 2 study was presented in congress 2015 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting (May 29 – June 2 in Chicago, Illinois, US)

And at the European Cancer Congress 2015 in Vienna (25-29 September 2015)

#### ❖ **Melanoma**

Biomed Pap Med Fac Univ Palacky Olomouc Czech Repub. 2015 Dec;159(4):695-7. Rapid and clinically significant response to masitinib in the treatment of mucosal primary esophageal melanoma with somatic KIT exon 11 mutation involving brain metastases: A case report. Prosvicova J et al.

#### ❖ **Multiple sclerosis**

Neurotherapeutics. 2016 Jan 4. Therapeutic Advances and Future Prospects in Progressive Forms of Multiple Sclerosis. Shirani A et al.

Inflamm Allergy Drug Targets. 2015. A systematic review of drugs in late-stage development for the treatment of multiple sclerosis: a focus on oral synthetic drugs. Safavi M et al.

#### ❖ **Alzheimer's disease**

Expert Rev Neurother. 2015 Jun. Masitinib for the treatment of mild to moderate Alzheimer's disease. Folch J et al.

#### ❖ **Ischemic Stroke**

Naunyn Schmiedebergs Arch Pharmacol. 2015 Jan. Neuroprotective effect of masitinib in rats with postischemic stroke. Kocic I et al.



**AB Science continued to develop its capabilities to accelerate its clinical development program with more than 1,000 patients recruited in 2015.**

- ❖ Around 140 employees with AB Science, primarily dedicated to clinical development program
- ❖ Studies carried out in more than 30 countries, in Europe, Asia, North America, and Latin America
- ❖ Above 1,000 patients enrolled in the clinical program in 2015
- ❖ Around 4,000 patients already enrolled into masitinib clinical development program

**AB Science has cash until S1 2017, which is the expected period for registration in mastocytosis.**

- ❖ Anticipated annual cash burn : 20M€
- ❖ Cash as of end S1 2015 : 29M€
- ❖ Funding after S1 2015 : 11.4M€
  - Equity raised in S2 2015: 7.4M€
    - 6M€ through PACEO
    - 1.4M€ through exercise of BSPCE et stock-options
  - Research Tax Credit to be collected : 4M€
- ❖ Equity line in place with SocGen and CACIB (Credit Agricole Investment Banking)

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## 13 significant news are expected in 2016 and 2017.

Indications and expected timelines	Q1 2016	Q2 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2016	S1 2017	S2 2017
Indolent Systemic Mastocytosis	Filing				Registration <sup>1</sup>	
Severe asthma uncontrolled with OCS				Interim Analysis		
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)	Interim Analysis			Final Analysis		Registration <sup>2</sup>
Alzheimer's disease					Interim Analysis	
Progressive forms of multiple sclerosis					Interim Analysis	
Metastatic melanoma with JM mutation of c-KIT					Interim Analysis	
Pancreatic cancer					Interim Analysis	
T-cell lymphoma		Futility analysis			Interim Analysis	
GIST in second-line treatment						Interim Analysis

1: Subject to review by competent authorities

2: Subject to positive phase 3 results, possibly earlier if interim analysis is successful

### Significant news expected include:

- ❖ 2 possible registrations
  - Severe systemic mastocytosis
  - Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
  
- ❖ 1 final phase 3 result
  - Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
  
- ❖ 8 results from interim analyses
  - Severe asthma uncontrolled with oral corticosteroids
  - Alzheimer's disease
  - Progressive forms of multiple sclerosis
  - Metastatic melanoma with JM mutation of c-KIT
  - Pancreatic cancer
  - T-cell lymphoma
  - GIST in second-line treatment

Here are the target prices of the analysts covering AB Science after integration of mastocytosis phase 3 study results:

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Target Price: 27,50€ - Buy