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### Phase 3 Study of Neoadjuvant Pembrolizumab or Placebo Plus Chemotherapy, Followed by Adjuvant Pembrolizumab or Placebo Plus Endocrine Therapy for Early-Stage High-Risk ER+/HER2- Breast Cancer: KEYNOTE-756

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# Background

- ER+/HER2- breast cancer is a heterogenous disease with different clinical behaviors and outcomes with standard treatment
- Although patients with early-stage ER+/HER2- breast cancer generally have a better prognosis than those with other breast cancer subtypes, there is a high-risk subpopulation for whom neoadjuvant chemotherapy is indicated
- Pembrolizumab combined with neoadjuvant chemotherapy improves pCR rates and event-free survival (EFS) in patients with early-stage TNBC<sup>1,2</sup>
- The phase 3 KEYNOTE-756 study demonstrated that, in patients with high-risk, highgrade, early-stage ER+/HER2- breast cancer, addition of pembrolizumab to neoadjuvant chemotherapy led to a statistically significant increase in pCR (ypT0/Tis ypN0) in the ITT population, regardless of tumor PD-L1 expression status<sup>3</sup>
- Herein, we present additional pCR results from analyses of various subgroups in the KEYNOTE-756 study

1. Schmid P, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2020;382:810-21. 2. Schmid P, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2022;386:556-567. 3. Cardoso F, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2023;34(suppl 2):S1260-S1261. This presentation is the intellectual property of the author/presenter. Contact them at Joyce.OShaughnessy@USONCOLOGY.COM for permission to reprint and/or distribute.

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# KEYNOTE-756 Study Design (NCT03725059)



<sup>a</sup>Paclitaxel dose was 80 mg/m<sup>2</sup> QW. <sup>b</sup>Doxorubicin dose was 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Q3W. <sup>c</sup>Epirubicin dose was 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Q3W. <sup>d</sup>Cyclophosphamide dose was 600 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Q3W or Q2W. <sup>e</sup>Endocrine therapy was administered according to institution guidelines. <sup>f</sup>Radiation therapy (concurrent or sequential) was administered according to institution guidelines. This presentation is the intellectual property of the author/presenter. Contact them at Joyce.OShaughnessy@USONCOLOGY.COM for permission to reprint and/or distribute.

# Study Endpoints

### Primary Endpoints

- pCR (ypT0/Tis ypN0)<sup>a</sup> assessed by the local pathologist at the time of definitive surgery in the ITT population
- Event-free survival (EFS)<sup>b</sup> assessed by the investigator in the ITT population
- Secondary Endpoints
  - pCR as per alternative definitions (ypT0 ypN0 and ypT0/Tis)<sup>a</sup>
  - Overall survival (OS)<sup>c</sup>
  - pCR<sup>a</sup>, EFS<sup>b</sup> and OS<sup>c</sup> in the PD-L1<sup>d</sup>
    CPS ≥1 population
  - Safety in all treated patients
- Exploratory Endpoint
  - Residual cancer burden (RCB)<sup>e</sup>





Prespecified analysis plan allows alpha passing from successful endpoint(s) to other(s)

<sup>a</sup>Participants without pCR data for any reason or who received neoadjuvant chemotherapy not specified in the protocol were counted as non-pCR. <sup>b</sup>To be presented at a later date. <sup>c</sup>Tested only when EFS succeeds; to be presented at a later date. <sup>d</sup>PD-L1 assessed at a central laboratory using PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx and measured using the combined positive score (CPS; number of PD-L1–positive tumor cells, lymphocytes, and macrophages divided by total number of tumor cells x 100). <sup>e</sup>Assessed by local pathologist at time of surgery.

## **Statistical Considerations**



pCR (ypT0/Tis ypN0) at IA1 (final analysis of pCR): pre-specified *P* value boundary for significance of 0.005 EFS at IA1 (first interim analysis of EFS): pre-calculated *P* value boundary for significance of 0.000459

### Summary of Study Treatment and Analysis Populations



### Median follow-up<sup>d</sup>: 33.2 mo (range, 9.7-51.8)

aIncludes radiographic PD. bParticipants did not have to complete all neoadjuvant therapy to undergo surgery. cIncludes all participants who received ≥1 dose of study treatment or underwent surgery. dDefined as the time from randomization to database cutoff date of May 25, 2023.

### **Baseline** Characteristics, ITT Population

Characteristic, n (%)	All Participants <sup>a</sup> , N = 1278	
	Pembrolizumab Arm N = 635	Placebo Arm N = 643
Age, median (range), yrs	49 (24-82)	49 (19-78)
ECOG PS 1	65 (10.2)	55 (8.6)
PD-L1 <sup>b</sup> CPS ≥1	482 (75.9)	489 (76.0)
PD-L1 CPS ≥10	253 (39.8)	259 (40.3)
China / Eastern Europe / all other countries	88 (13.9) / 139 (21.9) / 408 (64.3)	91 (14.2) / 130 (20.2) / 422 (65.6)
Overall disease stage		
II	399 (62.8)	408 (63.5)
III	236 (37.2)	235 (36.5)
Anthracycline schedule		
Q3W	415 (65.4)	425 (66.1)
Q2W	183 (28.8)	187 (29.1)
Not started	37 (5.8)	31 (4.8)
Tumor size		
T1/T2	402 (63.3)	413 (64.2)
T3/T4	233 (36.7)	230 (35.8)
Nodal involvement (clinically assessed)		
Positive	570 (89.8)	582 (90.5)
Negative	65 (10.2)	61 (9.5)
ER positivity ≥10%	601 (94.6)	600 (93.3)

<sup>a</sup>All participants had centrally confirmed grade 3 disease. <sup>b</sup>PD-L1 assessed at a central laboratory using the PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx assay and measured using the combined positive score (CPS; number of PD-L1–positive tumor cells, lymphocytes, and macrophages divided by total number of tumor cells x 100). Data cutoff date: May 25, 2023.

## Pathological Complete Response at IA1



<sup>a</sup>Estimated treatment difference based on Miettinen & Nurminen method stratified by the analysis randomization stratification factors. Data cutoff date: May 25, 2023. This presentation is the intellectual property of the author/presenter. Contact them at Joyce.OShaughnessy@USONCOLOGY.COM for permission to reprint and/or distribute.

# Pathological Complete Response at IA1 by Disease Stage



<sup>a</sup>Estimated treatment difference based on Miettinen & Nurminen method (unstratified). Data cutoff date: May 25, 2023.

# Pathological Complete Response at IA1 by Baseline Clinical Lymph Node Involvement





Lymph Node Involvement—Positive

Lymph Node Involvement—Negative

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# Pathological Complete Response at IA1 by PD-L1 Expression Level



<sup>a</sup>Estimated treatment difference based on Miettinen & Nurminen method stratified by geographic region (China vs Eastern Europe vs all other countries). Data cutoff date: May 25, 2023. This presentation is the intellectual property of the author/presenter. Contact them at Joyce.OShaughnessy@USONCOLOGY.COM for permission to reprint and/or distribute.

# Pathologic Complete Response at IA1 by ER Status and PD-L1 Expression



<sup>a</sup>No pCR in patients with a PD-L1 CPS <1 with ER+ <10% (pembrolizumab arm, n = 1; placebo arm, n = 4). <sup>b</sup>Estimated treatment difference based on Miettinen & Nurminen method (unstratified). Data cutoff date: May 25, 2023.

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# Pathological Complete Response at IA1 by Exposure to Chemotherapy<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Post-hoc analysis. <sup>b</sup>Estimated treatment difference based on Miettinen & Nurminen method (unstratified). Data cutoff date: May 25, 2023. This presentation is the intellectual property of the author/presenter. Contact them at Joyce.OShaughnessy@USONCOLOGY.COM for permission to reprint and/or distribute.

# Immune-Mediated AEs in Neoadjuvant Phase



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# Summary

- Addition of pembrolizumab to neoadjuvant chemotherapy led to a statistically significant increase in pCR in the ITT population
- Addition of pembrolizumab increased pCR rates in subgroups defined by geography, stage, baseline clinical lymph node involvement, and different levels of PD-L1 expression
- A larger magnitude of pCR benefit was observed in patients with node-positive disease, higher PD-L1 CPS thresholds, and ER-low tumors (<10%)</li>
- Patients who received less than the planned chemotherapy doses had lower pCR rates, although pCR rates were improved with pembrolizumab regardless of chemotherapy exposure (ie, full exposure or less than full exposure)
- Addition of pembrolizumab to neoadjuvant chemotherapy shifted more patients to lower residual cancer burden categories (RCB 0–1)
- Immune-mediated AE rates were consistent with the known toxicity profile of pembrolizumab plus neoadjuvant chemotherapy and no new safety concerns were observed
- The study is powered to evaluate EFS as the dual primary endpoint; EFS results are immature and continue to be evaluated

#### 14:00 - 15:40 Proffered Paper session - Breast cancer, early stage

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### Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy: pCR & Prognosis (DFS) by Subtype



Luminal B ER+ HER2-neg

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### Neoadjuvant Immunotherapy for ER+ HER2- Early Breast Cancer A New Paradigm ?

#### Can Neoadjuvant Immunotherapy improve pCR rates in ER+ HER2- EBC ?

- Yes, significant improvement in pCR seen in 2 separate studies of PD1 inhibitors, albeit rates still only 24%
- Unclear if this will translate into improved EFS

#### Are there subgroups of ER+ HER2- EBC who benefit most ?

- Almost certainly higher grade, luminal B, & possibly PD-L1 positive (assay dependent)
- Need to better evaluate if genomic & immune signatures can further define those with most to gain

#### Are the added toxicities worth it ?

- Added toxicities well known and important in "risk / benefit" decision making of "whom to treat"



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