Statement: Bristol-Myers Squibb Validates Predictive Role of Tumor Mutation Burden in Phase 3 CheckMate-227 Program in First-Line Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

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Our pivotal Phase 3 CheckMate-227 trial in first-line non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) met its co-primary endpoint for the Opdivo plus Yervoy combination, demonstrating highly statistically significant progression-free survival compared with chemotherapy in patients who have high levels of an emerging biomarker called tumor mutation burden (TMB).

- Today’s announcement is exciting news for patients and we believe these data are a breakthrough in advancing the science in cancer research. TMB has the potential to be an important, predictive independent biomarker that can identify a population of first-line NSCLC patients who can potentially benefit from I-O therapy.

- This is also an important first data readout in our broad lung cancer program, with many more to come. In addition to these important findings, a second part of the trial, which is assessing overall survival with the Opdivo plus Yervoy combination, is continuing as planned.

- This is a true example of the innovation that is core to our strategy, and we would like to thank the patients and researchers who participated in these clinical trials — without whom this scientific advance would not be realized.

These results bring us one step closer to a new, more personalized approach to treating lung cancer and we look forward to discussing the findings with regulatory authorities.

Today’s news is a good reminder to keep an intense focus on our mission — discovering, developing and delivering innovative medicines that help patients with serious disease.

Read our press release here.

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