

Theravance Biopharma Announces First Patient Dosed in Registrational Phase 3 Study of Amprelosetine (TD-9855) for the Treatment of Symptomatic Neurogenic Orthostatic Hypotension

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Study to evaluate novel, once-daily amprelosetine in symptomatic nOH patients with primary autonomic failure, including multiple system atrophy, Parkinson's disease, and pure autonomic failure

DUBLIN, Jan. 28, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Theravance Biopharma, Inc. (NASDAQ: TBPH) ("Theravance Biopharma" or the "Company") today announced dosing of the first patient in a registrational Phase 3 clinical trial of amprelosetine (TD-9855) in patients with symptomatic neurogenic orthostatic hypotension (nOH). Amprelosetine is an investigational, once-daily norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor (NRI) in development for the treatment of patients with symptomatic nOH.



The Phase 3 study is a four-week, multi-center, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group study designed to evaluate the efficacy, safety and tolerability of amprelosetine in approximately 188 patients with symptomatic nOH caused by primary autonomic failure associated with multiple system atrophy (MSA), Parkinson's disease (PD) and pure autonomic failure (PAF). Patients will be randomized to receive a single 10 mg dose of amprelosetine or placebo once daily for four weeks. The primary endpoint of the study is change from baseline in dizziness severity, as measured by Orthostatic Hypotension Symptom Assessment (OHSA) Question #1 (OHSA #1, a measure of dizziness, lightheadedness or the sensation of being about to black out) at four weeks for amprelosetine as compared to placebo. The study will evaluate additional efficacy assessments, as well as safety and tolerability measures.

"Given the limitations of currently available therapeutic options, we recognize a significant opportunity exists for a potentially safe and durable treatment for nOH. Positive four-week results achieved in our Phase 2 study provide the basis for advancing amprelosetine into this registrational Phase 3 program," said Brett Haumann, MD, chief medical officer at Theravance Biopharma. "We are pleased to begin 2019 with this milestone, and in the near term we also anticipate dosing the first patient in the Phase 2b/3 study of TD-1473, our gut-selective JAK inhibitor, in patients with ulcerative colitis."

Theravance Biopharma previously announced positive four-week results from a Phase 2 clinical trial of amprelosetine in patients with nOH. Findings showed that a majority of patients enrolled in the study's single ascending dose portion demonstrated durable improvements in nOH symptom severity as measured by OHSA #1. Patients treated in the extension phase of the study showed a mean symptom improvement of 2.4 points at four weeks. Importantly, mean symptom improvement was greatest (3.8 points) in nOH patients who reported dizziness symptoms (OHSA #1 \geq 4) at baseline, a pre-defined regulatory and clinical threshold that will be used to enroll patients in Phase 3. Additionally, amprelosetine consistently increased systolic blood pressure (SBP), including clinically meaningful increases in standing SBP at the three-minute assessment at all time points on all weekly clinic visits. There were no drug-related serious adverse events reported, and amprelosetine was generally well tolerated in the study.

About nOH

Neurogenic orthostatic hypotension (nOH) is a rare disorder defined as a sustained orthostatic fall in systolic blood pressure (SBP) of \geq 20 mm Hg or diastolic blood pressure (DBP) of \geq 10 mm Hg within three minutes of standing. Severely affected patients are unable to stand for extended periods of time because of their decrease in blood pressure, leading to cerebral hypoperfusion and syncope. A debilitating condition, nOH results in a range of symptoms including dizziness, lightheadedness, fainting, fatigue, blurry vision, weakness, trouble concentrating and head and neck pain. nOH is caused by autonomic nervous system (ANS) malfunction and is associated with several underlying medical conditions including multiple system atrophy (MSA), pure autonomic failure (PAF) and Parkinson's disease (PD).

OHSA #1 is an endpoint which is part of the Orthostatic Hypotension Questionnaire, a validated scale assessing the presence of a range of hypotension-related symptoms including dizziness, weakness, problems with vision, fatigue, trouble concentrating and head/neck discomfort. It is based on a scale from 0 (no symptoms) to 10 (worst possible severity of a symptom), with reductions in OHSA points indicating symptom improvement and increases in OHSA score indicating symptom worsening. OHSA #1 specifically measures patients' dizziness, lightheadedness, feeling faint, or feeling like they might black out. OHSA #1 has been accepted as a suitable endpoint in the investigation of neurogenic orthostatic hypotension by FDA.

About Amprelosetine (TD-9855)

Amprelosetine is an investigational, once-daily norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor (NRI) being developed for the treatment of patients with symptomatic neurogenic orthostatic hypotension (nOH). The compound has high affinity for binding to norepinephrine transporters. By blocking the action of these transporters, amprelosetine causes an increase in extracellular concentrations of norepinephrine.

About Theravance Biopharma

Theravance Biopharma, Inc. ("Theravance Biopharma") is a diversified biopharmaceutical company with the core purpose of creating medicines that help improve the lives of patients suffering from serious illness.

In our relentless pursuit of this objective, we strive to apply insight and innovation at each stage of our business, including research, development and commercialization, and utilize both internal capabilities and those of partners around the world. Our research efforts are focused in the areas of inflammation and immunology. Our research goal is to design localized medicines that target diseased tissues, without systemic exposure, in order to maximize patient benefit and minimize risk. These efforts leverage years of experience in developing localized medicines for the lungs to treat respiratory disease. The first potential medicine to emerge from our research focus on immunology and localized treatments is an oral, gut-selective pan-Janus kinase (JAK) inhibitor, currently in development to treat a range of inflammatory intestinal diseases. Our pipeline of internally discovered product candidates will continue to evolve with the goal of creating transformational medicines to address the significant needs of patients.

In addition, we have an economic interest in future payments that may be made by Glaxo Group or one of its affiliates (GSK) pursuant to its agreements with Innoviva, Inc. relating to certain programs, including Trelegy Ellipta.

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