

Phase 1/2 study of the safety and efficacy of APL-101, a specific c-MET inhibitor

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Background

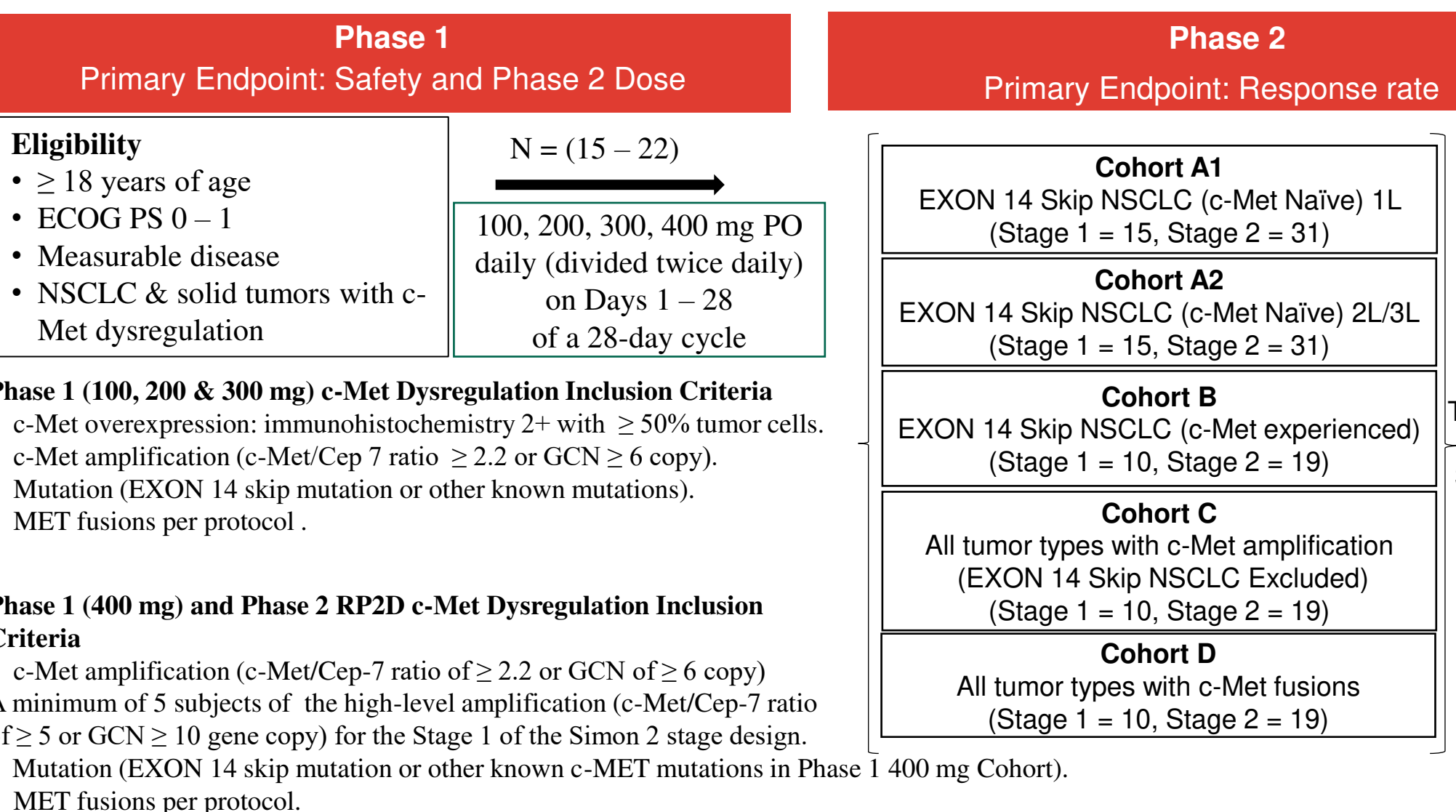
- The c-Met receptor tyrosine kinase is the cell surface receptor for hepatocyte growth factor (HGF) encoded by the MET protooncogene (Gherardi E et al., Nat Rev Cancer 12 (89) 2012).
- Dysregulation of the c-Met pathway is an established driver of oncogenesis. Three different types of genomic alteration can lead to clinically relevant oncogenesis: amplification, mutations and fusions (Guo R et al., Nature Rev 17 (569) 2020).
- APL-101 (PLB-1001; Bozitinib) is an oral, ATP-competitive, highly potent, specific type 1b c-Met inhibitor. c-Met enzymatic IC₅₀ = 31 nM and IC₅₀ = 0.52 nM with intracellular c-Met assay.
- Here we report the safety and preliminary efficacy of the Phase 1 portion of the SPARTA Study (NCT03175224).

Study Design and Objectives

SPARTA trial, primary objectives

Phase 1: Assess overall safety and tolerability, determine dose limiting toxicities (DLTs) and identify the recommended phase 2 dose (RP2D).

Phase 2: Assess efficacy by overall response rate and duration of response per RECIST v1.1.



Results

Baseline Characteristics and Patient Disposition

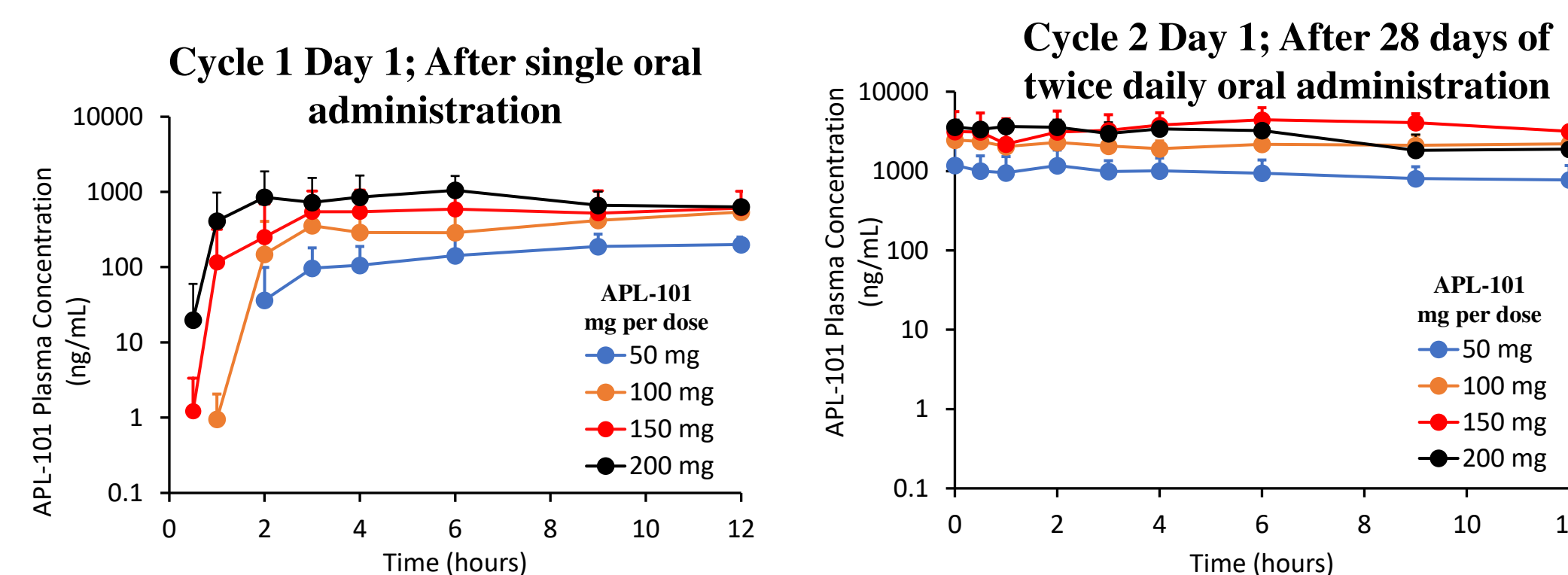
- All data described relates to the Phase 1 portion of the trial.
- As of the data cut-off on 28 April 2020, 17 subjects were included in the safety analysis.
- Median time between diagnosis and study treatment onset was 34.9 months.
- Baseline characteristics, primary tumor origin and type of c-Met aberration are shown.

| Baseline Characteristics | | Tumor Types | |
|--|--------------------|------------------------------|----|
| Age; Mean, years (SD) | 60.9 (14.3) | Breast cancer | 1 |
| Median (Min – Max) | 64.0 (34.0 – 84.0) | Cancer of Unknown Primary | 1 |
| Sex; n (%) | | Cholangiocarcinoma | 1 |
| Female | 6 (35.3%) | Colon / Rectal cancer | 4 |
| Male | 11 (64.7%) | Gastric / GE junction cancer | 1 |
| Race; n (%) | | Glioblastoma | 3 |
| White | 17 (100%) | Non-small cell lung cancer | 3 |
| ECOG, n (%) | | Pancreatic cancer | 2 |
| 0 | 4 (24%) | Schwannoma | 1 |
| 1 | 13 (76%) | | |
| Prior lines of systemic therapy Median (Range) | 3.5 (1-10) | MET dysregulation | |
| | | Amplification | 8 |
| | | Overexpression | 7 |
| | | Mutation | 2* |

* Exon 14 skipping mutation (n = 1, Breast Cancer), missense in kinase domain (H1094Y) mutation (n = 1, NSCLC)

Plasma Pharmacokinetics

- C_{max} and AUC₀₋₁₂ values increased proportionally with increasing APL-101 doses with mean T_{1/2} ranging from 16 to 38 hours.
- The plasma exposure achieved after multiple day dosing at both 300 mg and 400 mg dose levels is higher than the plasma exposure associated with a 90% effective dose in c-Met dependent tumor xenograft models.



Plasma Pharmacokinetics

| Dose level | 50 mg QD* (n=3) | 100 mg QD* (n=4) | 150 mg QD* (n=3) | 200 mg QD* (n=5) | 50 mg BID^ (n=3) | 100 mg BID^ (n=4) | 150 mg BID^ (n=2) | 200 mg BID^ (n=4) |
|--|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| C _{max} (ng/mL) Mean (SD) | 235 (42.5) | 581 (206) | 833 (326) | 1218 (721) | 1375 (739.5) | 2950 (735.3) | 4650 (nc) | 5380 (1658) |
| T _{max} (hr) Median (Min,Max) | 12 (9, 48) | 7.5 (3, 48) | 6.0 (2, 36) | 2.0 (0, 9) | 2.0 (0, 3) | 4.0 (0, 12) | 7.5 (6, 9) | 1.0 (0, 2) |
| AUC ₍₀₋₁₂₎ (ng•hr/mL) Mean (SD) | 1512 (820) | 3824 (2323) | 5661 (4837) | 10611 (nc) | 11115 (5208.4) | 23910 (4864) | 44670 (nc) | 31095 (nc) (n=1) |
| T _{1/2} (hr) Mean (SD) | 24.0 (11.5) | 16.0 (5.0) | 16.2 (3.6) | 38.0 (5.0) | *Cycle 1 Day 1, after single oral administration ^ Cycle 2 Day 1, after 28 days of twice daily oral administration; nc, not calculated | | | |

Treatment Related Adverse Events (AEs ≥ 10% of patients)

- All treatment related adverse events observed were either Grade 1 or Grade 2.
- No DLTs were observed at any of the dose levels.
- Recommended Phase 2 dose = 400 mg (i.e. 200 mg twice daily).
- No serious treatment-related or Grade ≥ 3 treatment-related AEs.
- No permanent discontinuation due to treatment related AEs.

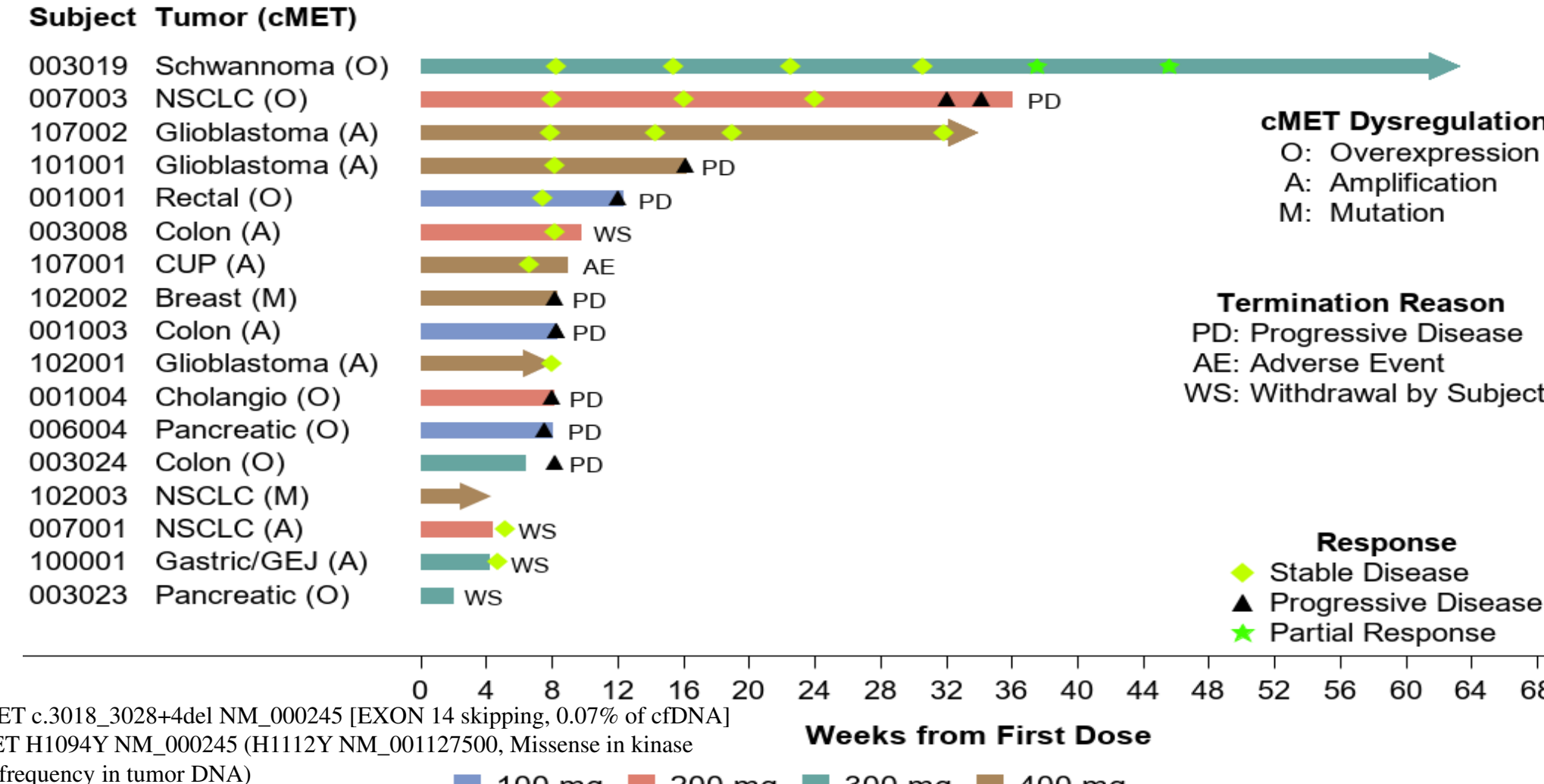
| Dose level Adverse Event | 100 mg (n=3) | 200 mg (n=4) | 300 mg (n=4) | 400 mg (n=6) | All (N=17) |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Any | 2 (67) | 2 (50) | 3 (75) | 6 (100) | 13 (76) |
| Fatigue | 1 (33) | 1 (25) | 2 (50) | 2 (33) | 6 (35) |
| Hypoalbuminemia | 0 | 0 | 2 (50) | 3 (50) | 5 (29) |
| Diarrhea | 1 (33) | 0 | 1 (25) | 2 (33) | 4 (24) |
| Peripheral Edema | 0 | 2 (50) | 1 (25) | 1 (17) | 4 (24) |
| Hypocalcemia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 (50) | 3 (18) |
| Anemia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 (33) | 2 (12) |
| Dyspnea | 0 | 1 (25) | 1 (25) | 0 | 2 (12) |
| Hyponatremia | 0 | 1 (25) | 1 (25) | 0 | 2 (12) |
| Nausea | 0 | 1 (25) | 0 | 1 (17) | 2 (12) |
| Rash | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 (33) | 2 (12) |

Duration of Treatment and Response

| | | N (%) | Median, days |
|---|---------------------|---------|---------------------------|
| Best Overall Response | Partial Response | 1 (7%) | Duration of Exposure |
| | Stable Disease | 9 (60%) | Progression-Free Survival |
| | Progressive Disease | 5 (33%) | 84 (95% CI: 57, 224) |
| Clinical Benefit Rate (CR + PR + [SD ≥ 4 cycles]) | | 3 (20%) | |

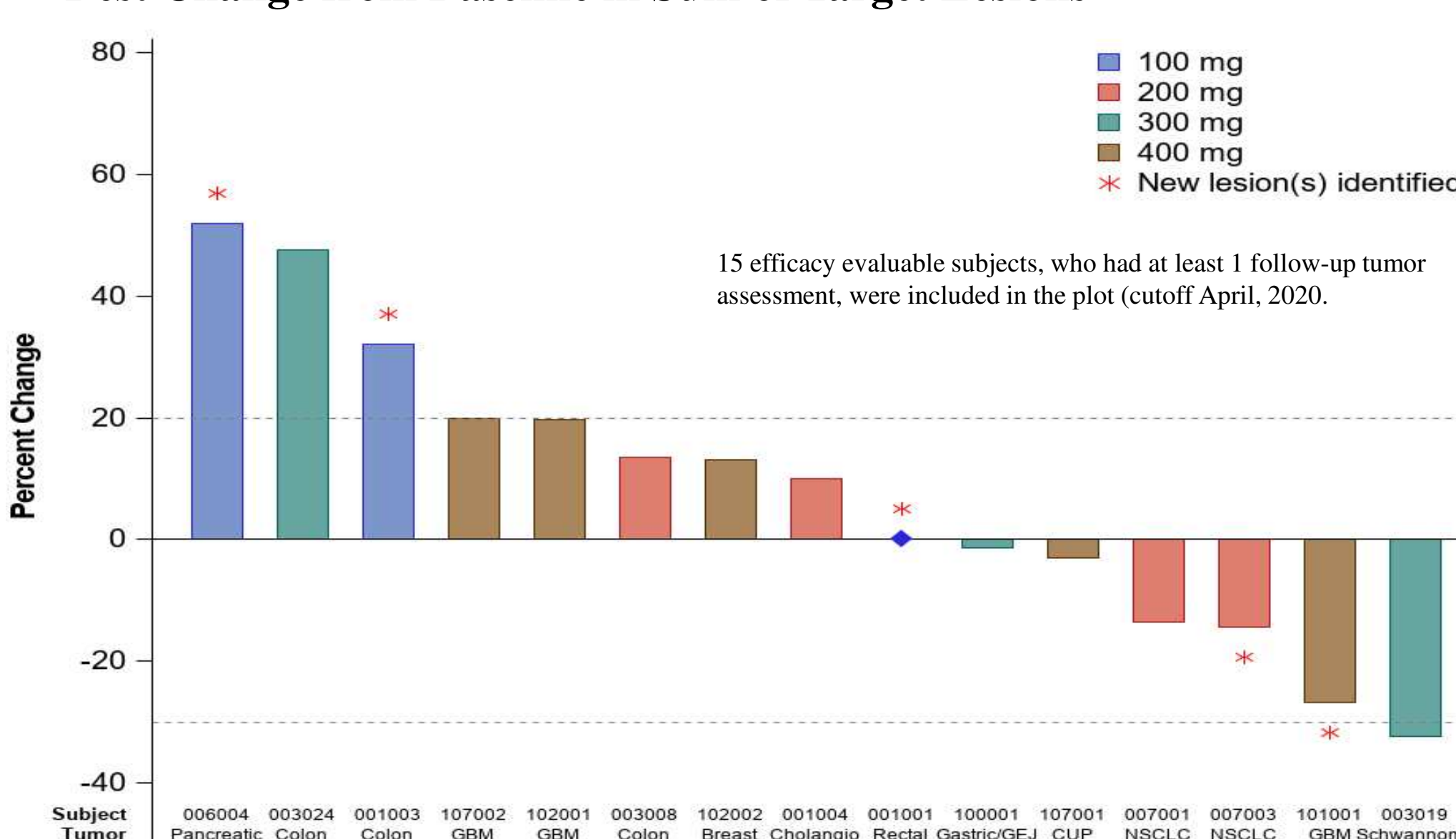
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Subject 102002: MET c.3018_3028+4del_NM_000245 [EXON 14 skipping, 0.07% of cDNA]
Subject 102003: MET H1094Y NM_000245 (H1112Y NM_001127500, Missense in kinase domain, 72% allele frequency in tumor DNA)

Best Change from Baseline in Sum of Target Lesions



Summary

- Phase 1 of this study is complete; RP2D 400 mg total daily dose.
- APL-101 shows a favorable and well tolerated safety profile; No DLTs and no permanent discontinuation of study treatment due to treatment-related AEs.
- Among 15 subjects in the efficacy-evaluable population, one subject had a confirmed partial response (schwannoma) and 9 (60%) had a best response of stable disease.
- Clinical Benefit Rate (CR + PR + [SD ≥ 4 cycles]) was 20%.

