



## Alexion Announces Upcoming Data Presentations at the 62nd American Society of Hematology Annual Meeting and Exposition

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*- Six abstracts accepted, including new data from Phase 3 clinical trial extension studies demonstrating the safety and efficacy of ULTOMIRIS® (ravulizumab-cwvz) for the treatment of paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) in older patients, those with and without a history of bone marrow disorder and patients receiving concomitant use of immunosuppressive therapy –*

BOSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 4, 2020-- [Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ:ALXN) today announced that six abstracts have been accepted for presentation at the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Exposition of the American Society of Hematology (ASH), taking place virtually from December 5 to 8, 2020. Accepted data include a new analysis from two Phase 3 extension studies that demonstrate similar safety and consistent and durable efficacy of ULTOMIRIS® (ravulizumab-cwvz) through 52 weeks when used to treat adults with paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) who are greater than 65 years old compared to those who are 65 years old or younger. New data will also be presented that show the safety and efficacy of ULTOMIRIS when used concomitantly with immunosuppressive therapy (IST) in patients with PNH. A retrospective analysis from the Phase 3 extension study will show the majority of adult patients with PNH and aplastic anemia who received treatment with ULTOMIRIS avoided the need for a transfusion for a period of up to 52 weeks, supporting the use of ULTOMIRIS in PNH patients with or without a history of bone marrow disorder who have not previously received treatment with a complement inhibitor.

In addition, an observational analysis of U.S. claims databases will be presented, highlighting the complexity of identifying patients with atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (aHUS). The retrospective study shows that prespecified triggers of aHUS were reported in approximately one-third of patients with aHUS, and that long-term clinical disease manifestations persisted in the majority of patients with aHUS who were not treated with SOLIRIS® (eculizumab).

The accepted abstracts are listed below and are now available on the [ASH website](#):

### [ePoster Presentations](#)

#### **Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (PNH) Abstracts**

Phase 3 Study of Danicopan, an Oral Complement Factor D Inhibitor, As Add-on Therapy to a C5 Inhibitor in Patients with Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria with Clinically Evident Extravascular Hemolysis. Abstract ID #756 poster presentation, Dec. 5, 2020, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

Efficacy and Safety of Concomitant Use of Ravulizumab and IST in Patients with Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria up to 52 Weeks. Abstract ID #1686 – poster presentation, Dec. 6, 2020, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

Risk Factors for Thrombotic Events in Patients with PNH: A Nested Case-Control Study in the International PNH Registry. Abstract ID #2457– poster presentation, Dec. 6, 2020, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

Efficacy and Safety of Ravulizumab in Older Patients Aged >65 years With Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria in the 301 and 302 Phase 3 Extension studies. Abstract ID #2586 – poster presentation, Dec. 7, 2020, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

Transfusion Requirements in Adult Patients with Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria with or without a History of Bone Marrow Disorder Receiving Ravulizumab and Eculizumab: Results from a Phase 3 Non-Inferiority Study Extension. Abstract ID #2575 – poster presentation, Dec. 7, 2020, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

#### **Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (aHUS) Abstracts**

Triggers in Patients with Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome: An Observational Cohort Study Using a U.S. Claims Database. Abstract ID #1579– poster presentation, Dec. 5, 2020, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

#### **About Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (PNH)**

PNH is a serious ultra-rare blood disorder with devastating consequences. It is characterized by the destruction of red blood cells, which is also referred to as hemolysis. PNH occurs when the complement system—a part of the body's immune system—over-responds, leading the body to attack its own red blood cells. PNH often goes unrecognized, with delays in diagnosis from one to more than five years. Patients with PNH may experience a range of symptoms, such as fatigue, difficulty swallowing, shortness of breath, abdominal pain, erectile dysfunction, dark-colored urine and anemia. The most devastating consequence of chronic hemolysis is the formation of blood clots, which can occur in blood vessels throughout the body, damage vital organs, and potentially lead to premature death. PNH can strike men and women of all races, backgrounds and ages without warning, with an average age of onset in the early 30s.

#### **About Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (aHUS)**

aHUS is an ultra-rare disease that can cause progressive injury to vital organs, primarily the kidneys, via damage to the walls of blood vessels and blood clots. aHUS occurs when the complement system—a part of the body's immune system—over-responds, leading the body to attack its own healthy cells. aHUS can cause sudden organ failure or a slow loss of function over time—potentially resulting in the need for a transplant, and in some cases, death. aHUS affects both adults and children, and many patients present in critical condition, often requiring supportive care, including dialysis,

in an intensive care unit. The prognosis for patients with aHUS can be poor in many cases, so a timely and accurate diagnosis—in addition to treatment—is critical to improving patient outcomes. Available tests can help distinguish aHUS from other hemolytic diseases with similar symptoms.

### About ULTOMIRIS®

ULTOMIRIS® (ravulizumab-cwvz) is the first and only long-acting C5 complement inhibitor. The medication works by inhibiting the C5 protein in the terminal complement cascade, a part of the body's immune system. When activated in an uncontrolled manner, the complement cascade over-responds, leading the body to attack its own healthy cells. ULTOMIRIS is administered intravenously every eight weeks or, for pediatric patients less than 20 kg, every four weeks, following a loading dose. ULTOMIRIS is approved in the United States (U.S.), European Union (EU) and Japan as a treatment for adults with paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH). It is also approved in the U.S. and Japan for atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (aHUS) to inhibit complement-mediated thrombotic microangiopathy (TMA) in adult and pediatric (one month of age and older) patients, as well as in the EU for the treatment of adults and children with a body weight of at least 10 kg with aHUS. In the U.S., ULTOMIRIS is available in two formulations with the same mechanism of action and consistent safety and efficacy. ULTOMIRIS 100 mg/mL is an advanced formulation of ULTOMIRIS 10 mg/mL that reduces average annual infusion time for patients with aHUS and PNH by approximately 60 percent (to approximately 45 minutes for adults in the average weight cohort). To learn more about the regulatory status of ULTOMIRIS in the countries that we serve, please visit [www.alexion.com](http://www.alexion.com).

### About SOLIRIS®

SOLIRIS® (eculizumab) is a first-in-class C5 complement inhibitor. The medication works by inhibiting the C5 protein in the terminal complement cascade, a part of the body's immune system. When activated in an uncontrolled manner, the terminal complement cascade over-responds, leading the body to attack its own healthy cells. SOLIRIS is administered intravenously every two weeks, following an introductory dosing period. In many countries around the world, SOLIRIS is approved to treat paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH), atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (aHUS), adults with generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG) who are acetylcholine receptor (AChR) antibody positive and/or adults with neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD) who are anti-aquaporin-4 (AQP4) antibody positive. SOLIRIS is not indicated for the treatment of patients with Shiga-toxin E. coli-related hemolytic uremic syndrome (STEC-HUS). To learn more about the regulatory status of SOLIRIS in the countries that we serve, please visit [www.alexion.com](http://www.alexion.com).

### INDICATIONS & IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION for ULTOMIRIS® (ravulizumab-cwvz)

#### INDICATIONS

##### What is ULTOMIRIS?

ULTOMIRIS is a prescription medicine used to treat:

- adults with a disease called Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (PNH).
- adults and children 1 month of age and older with a disease called atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (aHUS).  
ULTOMIRIS is not used in treating people with Shiga toxin E. coli related hemolytic uremic syndrome (STEC-HUS).

It is not known if ULTOMIRIS is safe and effective in children with PNH.

It is not known if ULTOMIRIS is safe and effective in children younger than 1 month of age.

#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

##### What is the most important information I should know about ULTOMIRIS?

**ULTOMIRIS is a medicine that affects your immune system and can lower the ability of your immune system to fight infections.**

- ULTOMIRIS increases your chance of getting serious and life-threatening meningococcal infections that may quickly become life-threatening and cause death if not recognized and treated early.
1. You must receive meningococcal vaccines at least 2 weeks before your first dose of ULTOMIRIS if you are not vaccinated.
  2. If your doctor decided that urgent treatment with ULTOMIRIS is needed, you should receive meningococcal vaccination as soon as possible.
  3. If you have not been vaccinated and ULTOMIRIS therapy must be initiated immediately, you should also receive 2 weeks of antibiotics with your vaccinations.
  4. If you had a meningococcal vaccine in the past, you might need additional vaccination. Your doctor will decide if you need additional vaccination.
  5. Meningococcal vaccines reduce but do not prevent all meningococcal infections. Call your doctor or get emergency medical care right away if you get any of these signs and symptoms of a meningococcal infection: headache with nausea or vomiting, headache and fever, headache with a stiff neck or stiff back, fever, fever and a rash, confusion, muscle aches with flu-like symptoms and eyes sensitive to light.

**Your doctor will give you a Patient Safety Card about the risk of meningococcal infection.** Carry it with you at all times during treatment and for 8 months after your last ULTOMIRIS dose. It is important to show this card to any doctor or nurse to help them diagnose and treat you quickly.

**ULTOMIRIS is only available through a program called the ULTOMIRIS REMS.** Before you can receive ULTOMIRIS, your doctor must: enroll in the ULTOMIRIS REMS program; counsel you about the risk of meningococcal infection; give you information and a **Patient Safety Card** about the symptoms and your risk of meningococcal infection (as discussed above); and make sure that you are vaccinated with a meningococcal vaccine, and

if needed, get revaccinated with the meningococcal vaccine. Ask your doctor if you are not sure if you need to be revaccinated.

**ULTOMIRIS may also increase the risk of other types of serious infections.** Make sure your child receives vaccinations against *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) if treated with ULTOMIRIS. Call your doctor right away if you have any new signs or symptoms of infection.

#### **Who should not receive ULTOMIRIS?**

**Do not** receive ULTOMIRIS if you have a meningococcal infection or have not been vaccinated against meningococcal infection unless your doctor decides that urgent treatment with ULTOMIRIS is needed.

**Before you receive ULTOMIRIS, tell your doctor about all of your medical conditions, including if you:** have an infection or fever, are pregnant or plan to become pregnant, and are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if ULTOMIRIS will harm your unborn baby or if it passes into your breast milk. You should not breastfeed during treatment and for 8 months after your final dose of ULTOMIRIS.

**Tell your doctor about all the vaccines you receive and medicines you take,** including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements which could affect your treatment.

**If you have PNH and you stop receiving ULTOMIRIS, your doctor will need to monitor you closely for at least 16 weeks after you stop ULTOMIRIS. Stopping ULTOMIRIS may cause breakdown of your red blood cells due to PNH. Symptoms or problems that can happen due to red blood cell breakdown include:** drop in your red blood cell count, tiredness, blood in your urine, stomach-area (abdomen) pain, shortness of breath, blood clots, trouble swallowing, and erectile dysfunction (ED) in males.

**If you have aHUS, your doctor will need to monitor you closely for at least 12 months after stopping treatment for signs of worsening aHUS or problems related to a type of abnormal clotting and breakdown of your red blood cells called thrombotic microangiopathy (TMA). Symptoms or problems that can happen with TMA may include:** confusion or loss of consciousness, seizures, chest pain (angina), difficulty breathing and blood clots or stroke.

#### **What are the possible side effects of ULTOMIRIS?**

**ULTOMIRIS can cause serious side effects including infusion-related reactions.** Symptoms of an infusion-related reaction with ULTOMIRIS may include lower back pain, pain with the infusion, feeling faint or discomfort in your arms or legs. Tell your doctor or nurse right away if you develop these symptoms, or any other symptoms during your ULTOMIRIS infusion that may mean you are having a serious infusion reaction, including: chest pain, trouble breathing or shortness of breath, swelling of your face, tongue, or throat, and feel faint or pass out.

**The most common side effects of ULTOMIRIS in people treated for PNH are upper respiratory infection and headache.**

**The most common side effects of ULTOMIRIS in people with aHUS are upper respiratory infection, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, headache, high blood pressure and fever.**

Tell your doctor about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the possible side effects of ULTOMIRIS. For more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist. Call your doctor right away if you miss an ULTOMIRIS infusion or for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

**Please see the accompanying full [Prescribing Information and Medication Guide](#) for ULTOMIRIS, including Boxed WARNING regarding serious and life-threatening meningococcal infections/sepsis.**

### **INDICATIONS & IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION FOR SOLIRIS® (eculizumab)**

#### **INDICATIONS**

##### **What is SOLIRIS?**

SOLIRIS is a prescription medicine used to treat:

- patients with a disease called Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (PNH).
- adults and children with a disease called atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (aHUS). SOLIRIS is not for use in treating people with Shiga toxin E. coli related hemolytic uremic syndrome (STEC-HUS).
- adults with a disease called generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG) who are anti-acetylcholine receptor (AChR) antibody positive.
- adults with a disease called neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD) who are anti-aquaporin-4 (AQP4) antibody positive.

It is not known if SOLIRIS is safe and effective in children with PNH, gMG, or NMOSD.

#### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION**

##### **What is the most important information I should know about SOLIRIS?**

**SOLIRIS is a medicine that affects your immune system and can lower the ability of your immune system to fight infections.**

- **SOLIRIS increases your chance of getting serious and life-threatening meningococcal infections that may quickly become life-threatening and cause death if not recognized and treated early.**

1. You must receive meningococcal vaccines at least 2 weeks before your first dose of SOLIRIS if you are not vaccinated.

2. If your doctor decided that urgent treatment with SOLIRIS is needed, you should receive meningococcal vaccination as soon as possible.
3. If you have not been vaccinated and SOLIRIS therapy must be initiated immediately, you should also receive two weeks of antibiotics with your vaccinations.
4. If you had a meningococcal vaccine in the past, you might need additional vaccination. Your doctor will decide if you need additional vaccination.
5. Meningococcal vaccines reduce but do not prevent all meningococcal infections. Call your doctor or get emergency medical care right away if you get any of these signs and symptoms of a meningococcal infection: headache with nausea or vomiting, headache and fever, headache with a stiff neck or stiff back, fever, fever and a rash, confusion, muscle aches with flu-like symptoms, and eyes sensitive to light.

**Your doctor will give you a Patient Safety Card about the risk of meningococcal infection.** Carry it with you at all times during treatment and for 3 months after your last SOLIRIS dose. It is important to show this card to any doctor or nurse to help them diagnose and treat you quickly.

**SOLIRIS is only available through a program called the SOLIRIS REMS.** Before you can receive SOLIRIS, your doctor must enroll in the SOLIRIS REMS program; counsel you about the risk of meningococcal infection; give you information and a **Patient Safety Card** about the symptoms and your risk of meningococcal infection (as discussed above); and make sure that you are vaccinated with the meningococcal vaccine and, if needed, get revaccinated with the meningococcal vaccine. Ask your doctor if you are not sure if you need to be revaccinated.

**SOLIRIS may also increase the risk of other types of serious infections.** Make sure your child receives vaccinations against *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) if treated with SOLIRIS. Certain people may be at risk of serious infections with gonorrhea. Certain fungal infections (*Aspergillus*) may occur if you take SOLIRIS and have a weak immune system or a low white blood cell count.

#### **Who should not receive SOLIRIS?**

Do not receive SOLIRIS if you have a meningococcal infection or have not been vaccinated against meningitis infection unless your doctor decides that urgent treatment with SOLIRIS is needed.

**Before you receive SOLIRIS, tell your doctor about all of your medical conditions, including if you:** have an infection or fever, are pregnant or plan to become pregnant, and are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if SOLIRIS will harm your unborn baby or if it passes into your breast milk.

**Tell your doctor about all the vaccines you receive and medicines you take,** including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements which could affect your treatment. It is important that you have all recommended vaccinations before you start SOLIRIS, receive 2 weeks of antibiotics if you immediately start SOLIRIS, and stay up-to-date with all recommended vaccinations during treatment with SOLIRIS.

**If you have PNH, your doctor will need to monitor you closely for at least 8 weeks after stopping SOLIRIS. Stopping treatment with SOLIRIS may cause breakdown of your red blood cells due to PNH.** Symptoms or problems that can happen due to red blood cell breakdown include: drop in the number of your red blood cell count, drop in your platelet count, confusion, kidney problems, blood clots, difficulty breathing, and chest pain.

**If you have aHUS, your doctor will need to monitor you closely during and for at least 12 weeks after stopping treatment for signs of worsening aHUS symptoms or problems related to abnormal clotting (thrombotic microangiopathy).** Symptoms or problems that can happen with abnormal clotting may include: stroke, confusion, seizure, chest pain (angina), difficulty breathing, kidney problems, swelling in arms or legs, and a drop in your platelet count.

#### **What are the possible side effects of SOLIRIS?**

**SOLIRIS can cause serious side effects including serious allergic reactions.** Tell your doctor or nurse right away if you get any of these symptoms during your SOLIRIS infusion: chest pain, trouble breathing or shortness of breath, swelling of your face, tongue, or throat, and feel faint or pass out. If you have an allergic reaction to SOLIRIS, your doctor may need to infuse SOLIRIS more slowly, or stop SOLIRIS.

**The most common side effects in people with PNH treated with SOLIRIS include:** headache, pain or swelling of your nose or throat (nasopharyngitis), back pain, and nausea.

**The most common side effects in people with aHUS treated with SOLIRIS include:** headache, diarrhea, high blood pressure (hypertension), common cold (upper respiratory infection), stomach-area (abdominal) pain, vomiting, pain or swelling of your nose or throat (nasopharyngitis), low red blood cell count (anemia), cough, swelling of legs or feet (peripheral edema), nausea, urinary tract infections, and fever.

**The most common side effects in people with gMG treated with SOLIRIS include:** muscle and joint (musculoskeletal) pain.

**The most common side effects in people with NMO/D treated with SOLIRIS include:** common cold (upper respiratory infection), pain or swelling of your nose or throat (nasopharyngitis), diarrhea, back pain, dizziness, flu like symptoms (influenza) including fever, headache, tiredness, cough, sore throat, and body aches, joint pain (arthralgia), throat irritation (pharyngitis), and bruising (contusion).

Tell your doctor about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the possible side effects of SOLIRIS. For more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit MedWatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

**Please see the accompanying [full Prescribing Information and Medication Guide](#) for SOLIRIS, including **Boxed WARNING** regarding serious and life-threatening meningococcal infections.**

#### **About Alexion**

Alexion is a global biopharmaceutical company focused on serving patients and families affected by rare diseases and devastating conditions through

the discovery, development and commercialization of life-changing medicines. As a leader in rare diseases for more than 25 years, Alexion has developed and commercializes two approved complement inhibitors to treat patients with paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) and atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (aHUS), as well as the first and only approved complement inhibitor to treat anti-acetylcholine receptor (AChR) antibody-positive generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG) and neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD). Alexion also has two highly innovative enzyme replacement therapies for patients with life-threatening and ultra-rare metabolic disorders, hypophosphatasia (HPP) and lysosomal acid lipase deficiency (LAL-D) as well as the first and only approved Factor Xa inhibitor reversal agent. In addition, the company is developing several mid-to-late-stage therapies, including a copper-binding agent for Wilson disease, an anti-neonatal Fc receptor (FcRn) antibody for rare Immunoglobulin G (IgG)-mediated diseases and an oral Factor D inhibitor as well as several early-stage therapies, including one for light chain (AL) amyloidosis, a second oral Factor D inhibitor and a third complement inhibitor. Alexion focuses its research efforts on novel molecules and targets in the complement cascade and its development efforts on hematology, nephrology, neurology, metabolic disorders, cardiology, ophthalmology and acute care. Headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, Alexion has offices around the globe and serves patients in more than 50 countries. This press release and further information about Alexion can be found at: [www.alexion.com](http://www.alexion.com).

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