BioNTech to Present Clinical and Preclinical Data Updates Across Multiple Immuno-Oncology Programs at 2023 SITC Annual Meeting

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MAINZ, Germany, October 31, 2023 – BioNTech SE (Nasdaq: BNTX, “BioNTech” or “the Company”) will present data updates across multiple immuno-oncology programs at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer’s (“SITC”) 38th Annual Meeting in San Diego, USA, from November 1-5, 2023. The updates will feature one oral and four poster presentations for the investigational anti-CTLA-4 monoclonal antibody candidate BNT316/ONC-392 (gotistobart), the FixVac off-the-shelf mRNA cancer vaccine BNT116, the ex-vivo T cell therapy BNT221, and the two bi-specific antibodies BNT312/GEN1042 and BNT313/GEN1053.

Highlights of BioNTech’s clinical stage programs to be presented at SITC Annual Meeting 2023:

- BioNTech will share new Phase 1/2 (NCT04140526) data of its next-generation anti-CTLA-4 monoclonal antibody candidate BNT316/ONC-392 (gotistobart) in non-small cell lung cancer (“NSCLC”) patients that progressed on anti-PD-1/PD-L1 therapy. The candidate is being jointly developed with OncoC4, Inc. ("OncoC4"). The results show encouraging anti-tumor activity for BNT316/ONC-392 as monotherapy in patients with immuno-oncologic (IO)-resistant NSCLC, as well as a manageable safety profile.
- First clinical data will be presented on the LuCa-MERIT-1 Phase 1 study (NCT05142189) with BioNTech’s off-the-shelf mRNA therapeutic cancer vaccine candidate BNT116 alone and in combination with cemiplimab in patients with advanced, unresectable, or metastatic NSCLC. The data show encouraging initial clinical activity in heavily pre-treated patients with advanced NSCLC and a tolerable safety profile.
- As a follow-up to the data recently presented at ESMO, BioNTech will give an update on the first-in-human Phase 1 study with BNT221 (NCT04625205), a personalized, autologous neoantigen-specific T cell therapy, which is being evaluated in patients with anti-PD-1- and anti-CTLA-4-pretreated advanced or metastatic melanoma. The data update includes nine patients. Seven of these patients have stable disease with shrinkage of tumor lesions in four of these patients. The initial results show a manageable safety profile with no dose limiting toxicities. In addition, preliminary translational data show multiple functional neoantigen-specific T cell responses in all evaluable patients.

BioNTech has established a diversified clinical oncology pipeline of more than 25 programs in high unmet medical need solid tumor indications in more than 30 clinical studies, including seven programs in advanced Phase 2 studies and one candidate in a pivotal Phase 3 study. BioNTech is advancing the Company’s key programs into late-stage development while strengthening its clinical-stage oncology pipeline with synergistic potential, with the aim to deliver the next generation of oncology breakthroughs.

The full abstracts are available on the SITC Annual Meeting website. Click here for further information on BioNTech’s pipeline candidates.

Full Presentation Details:

Oral Presentation
Candidate: BNT316/ONC-392 (gotistobart)
Session Title: Promising Novel Biotechnologies for the Next Wave of IO Innovation
Abstract Title: “Single-agent safety and activities of target-preserving anti-CTLA-4 antibody gotistobart (ONC-392/BNT316) in PD-(L)1 resistant metastatic NSCLC and population PK analysis in patients with solid tumors”
Abstract Number: 599
Date: Friday, November 3, 2023
Time: 3:30-5:10 PM PDT

Poster Presentations
Candidate: BNT116
Abstract Title: “Preliminary results from LuCa-MERIT-1, a first-in-human Phase I trial evaluating the fixed antigen RNA vaccine BNT116 in patients with advanced non-small cell lung cancer”
Abstract Number: 597
Date: Friday, November 3, 2023, and Saturday, November 4, 2023

Candidate: BNT221
Abstract Title: “Interim clinical and translational data from NTC-001, a phase I study to evaluate the non-engineered neoantigen-specific T cell product BNT221 in patients with advanced or metastatic” melanoma
Abstract Number: 769
Date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

Candidate: BNT312/GEN1042
Abstract Title: “GEN1042-mIgG2a, an Fc-inert mouse-human chimeric variant of GEN1042 (DuoBody®-CD40x4-1BB), exhibits in vivo antitumor activity and peripheral immune modulation”
Abstract Number: 1181
Date: Friday, November 3, 2023
Abstract Title: “Combination of HexaBody-CD27 with PD-(L)1 blockade potentiates single-agent activity leading to enhanced human T-cell effector functions in vitro”

Abstract Number: 813

Date: Friday, November 3, 2023

About BioNTech

Biopharmaceutical New Technologies (BioNTech) is a next generation immunotherapy company pioneering novel therapies for cancer and other serious diseases. The Company exploits a wide array of computational discovery and therapeutic drug platforms for the rapid development of novel biopharmaceuticals. Its broad portfolio of oncology product candidates includes individualized and off-the-shelf mRNA-based therapies, innovative chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cells, several protein-based therapeutics, including bispecific immune checkpoint modulators, targeted cancer antibodies and antibody-drug conjugate (ADC) therapeutics, as well as small molecules. Based on its deep expertise in mRNA vaccine development and in-house manufacturing capabilities, BioNTech and its collaborators are developing multiple mRNA vaccine candidates for a range of infectious diseases alongside its diverse oncology pipeline. BioNTech has established a broad set of relationships with multiple global pharmaceutical collaborators, including Duality Biologics, Fosun Pharma, Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, Genevant, Genmab, OncoC4, Regeneron, Sanofi and Pfizer.

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