DARZALEX® (daratumumab) Combination Regimens Show Positive Results for Newly Diagnosed and Relapsed Patients with Multiple Myeloma

- Updated Phase 3 ALCYONE results, featured as oral presentation at ASH 2018, show improved progression-free survival in newly diagnosed patients
- Data from Phase 2 LYRA and GRIFFIN studies support the safety and efficacy of DARZALEX combination treatments in newly diagnosed and relapsed patients, including the feasibility of a split first dose

SAN DIEGO, December 1, 2018 – The Janssen Pharmaceutical Companies of Johnson & Johnson announced today long-term results from the Phase 3 ALCYONE study showing that the addition of DARZALEX® (daratumumab) to bortezomib, melphalan and prednisone (VMP) continued to demonstrate significant improvement in progression-free survival (PFS) in patients with newly diagnosed multiple myeloma who are ineligible for autologous stem cell transplantation (ASCT). These data (Abstract #156), as well as updates from the Phase 2 LYRA (Abstract #152) and GRIFFIN (Abstract #151) studies in patients with multiple myeloma, were featured during an oral abstract session at the 60th American Society of Hematology (ASH) Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA.
**Long-term Phase 3 ALCYONE results for DARZALEX frontline combination therapy**

At a median follow-up of 27.8 months, study results showed the addition of DARZALEX to VMP reduced the risk of disease progression or death by 57 percent compared to VMP alone (Hazard Ratio [HR] = 0.43; 95 percent confidence interval [CI] 0.35-0.54, p<0.0001).¹ DARZALEX-VMP resulted in a 24-month PFS rate of 63 percent compared to 36 percent with VMP alone.¹ The median PFS for DARZALEX-VMP has not yet been reached, whereas the control arm of VMP alone has a median PFS of 19.1 months.¹ In addition, a significantly higher overall response rate (ORR) [91 percent vs. 74 percent, respectively] was observed with the DARZALEX combination compared to VMP alone.¹ DARZALEX-VMP resulted in deeper responses, significantly improving the rate of very good partial response (VGPR) or better (73 percent vs. 50 percent) and more than doubling the rate of stringent complete response (sCR) [22 percent vs. 8 percent] compared to VMP alone.¹ DARZALEX-VMP induced a higher rate of sustained minimal residual disease (MRD) negativity compared to VMP alone (10 percent vs. 2 percent, respectively).¹ The previously reported primary results of this study formed the basis of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval of DARZALEX in combination with VMP in patients with newly diagnosed multiple myeloma who are ineligible for ASCT.

“Longer-term data from the pivotal ALCYONE trial show that daratumumab combination therapy continued to show improvement in progression-free survival and response rates in newly diagnosed patients with multiple myeloma, including older patients who are less likely to respond to treatment,” said Meletios A. Dimopoulos, M.D., Professor and Chairman of the Department of Clinical Therapeutics at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens School of Medicine, Athens, Greece, and principal investigator. “These promising results support the use of daratumumab earlier in the treatment paradigm when transplant ineligible patients are more likely to benefit from therapy, and that continued therapy with daratumumab confers benefit.”¹

In the ALCYONE study, the most common Grade 3/4 treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) during Cycle 10 and onward for DARZALEX-VMP included anemia (4 percent), neutropenia (2 percent) and bronchitis (1 percent).¹ No new safety signals emerged, and Grade 3/4 infections continued to be manageable.¹

**Phase 2 LYRA and GRIFFIN data support efficacy and safety of DARZALEX in newly diagnosed patients, including those who are eligible for high-dose therapy/ASCT, and in relapsed patients**
Response rates from the Phase 2 LYRA study were presented for the investigational use of DARZALEX plus cyclophosphamide, bortezomib and dexamethasone (CyBorD) in patients with newly diagnosed and relapsed multiple myeloma.\(^2\) The ORR and VGPR or better rates in 86 newly diagnosed patients were 79 percent and 44 percent, respectively, after 4 Cycles and increased to 81 percent and 56 percent, respectively, at the end of induction (median 6 Cycles).\(^2\) In addition, the VGPR or better rate in 14 relapsed multiple myeloma patients was 57 percent after 4 Cycles and increased to 64 percent at the end of induction, and the ORR stayed consistent at 71 percent (median 7.5 Cycles).\(^2\) The 18-month PFS rate was 78 percent in non-transplant, newly diagnosed patients and 53 percent in relapsed patients.\(^2\) Additionally, the study, which investigated splitting the first dose of DARZALEX to shorten the infusion time on Cycle 1, Day 1, showed a safety profile consistent with previous studies.\(^2\) Infusion reactions (IRs) occurred in 49 percent of patients on Cycle 1, Day 1 (C1D1) and four percent on Cycle 1, Day 2 (C1D2).\(^2\) Fifty-four percent of newly diagnosed patients experienced IRs, the most frequent being chills (14 percent), dyspnea, pruritus and nausea (8 percent each) and cough (7 percent).\(^2\) Fifty-seven percent of relapsed patients experienced IRs, the most frequent being cough (21 percent), hyperhydrosis, dyspnea and chills (7 percent each).\(^2\) Only two patients experienced a Grade 3 IR, and there were no Grade 4 IRs. There were no DARZALEX discontinuations due to IRs.\(^2\) Median infusion time was 4.5 hours for C1D1 and 3.8 hours for C1D2.\(^2\) Grade 3/4 TEAEs were reported for 56 percent of patients, and the most common (≥10 percent) was neutropenia (13 percent).\(^2\)

Data presented on the Phase 2 GRIFFIN study investigated DARZALEX in combination with bortezomib, lenalidomide and dexamethasone (VRd) in a 16-patient safety cohort of newly diagnosed patients with multiple myeloma who were eligible for high-dose therapy and ASCT.\(^3\) Results showed that by the end of consolidation therapy following ASCT, all patients enrolled in the safety run-in obtained VGPR or better, and 63 percent achieved complete response (CR) or better, including 25 percent of patients who achieved sCR.\(^3\) Additionally, 94 percent of patients remained progression free on study treatment at a median follow-up of 16.8 months.\(^3\) In addition, 8 of the 16 patients (50 percent) were MRD negative at a level of 10\(^{-5}\) by the end of consolidation.\(^3\) Fourteen patients (88 percent) experienced Grade 3/4 TEAEs with 10 (63 percent) related to treatment with DARZALEX.\(^3\) The most common Grade 3/4 TEAEs (≥10 percent) included neutropenia, pneumonia, thrombocytopenia, lymphopenia, febrile neutropenia, leukopenia, rash and hypophosphatemia.\(^3\) Thirteen patients (81 percent) experienced infections of any Grade, including upper respiratory tract infection (six patients), pneumonia (four patients), bronchitis (two patients) and otitis and viral gastroenteritis (two patients each).\(^3\) No deaths due to serious adverse events (SAEs) were reported.
and no patient discontinued treatment due to an AE. These data suggest that DARZALEX induction does not negatively impact stem cell mobilization as all 16 patients underwent successful mobilization with subsequent ASCT.

“We are pleased with the consistent results and growing evidence for DARZALEX therapy in the treatment of multiple myeloma,” said Yusri Elsayed, M.D., MHSc., Ph.D., Vice President, Hematologic Malignancies Disease Area Leader, Janssen Research & Development, LLC. “The split first infusion may provide an alternative dosing option for patients who may be candidates for DARZALEX treatment but who want or need a different infusion schedule.”

About the ALCYONE Trial
The randomized, open-label, multicenter Phase 3 ALCYONE (MMY3007) study enrolled 706 newly diagnosed patients with multiple myeloma who were ineligible for high-dose chemotherapy with ASCT. The median age was 71 years (range: 40-93). Patients were randomized to receive up to nine cycles of either DARZALEX-VMP or VMP alone. In the DARZALEX-VMP arm, patients received 16 mg/kg of DARZALEX once weekly for the first week (Cycle 1), followed by once every three weeks (Cycles 2-9). Following the nine cycles, patients in the DARZALEX-VMP arm continued to receive 16 mg/kg of DARZALEX once every four weeks until disease progression.

About the LYRA Trial
The ongoing, multicenter, single-arm, open-label Phase 2 LYRA (MMY2012) study enrolled 100 adult patients 18 years or older. Patients received 4-8 Cycles of DARZALEX combination therapy comprised of oral cyclophosphamide 300 mg/m² on Days 1, 8, 15 and 22; subcutaneous bortezomib 1.5 mg/m² on Days 1, 8 and 15; and oral or IV dexamethasone 40 mg weekly every 28 days. DARZALEX was administered at 8 mg/kg IV on Days 1 and 2 of Cycle 1, 16 mg/kg weekly from Cycle 1, Day 8 through Cycle 2, 16 mg/kg every 2 weeks for Cycles 3-6, and 16 mg/kg every 4 weeks for Cycles 7-8. After induction, patients could undergo ASCT. All patients receive 12 cycles of maintenance DARZALEX 16 mg/kg IV every 4 weeks.

About the GRIFFIN Trial
The randomized, open-label Phase 2 GRIFFIN (MMY2004) study has enrolled and treated more than 200 adults 18-70 years eligible for high-dose therapy/ASCT, including 16 patients in a safety run-in phase performed to assess potential dose limiting toxicities during Cycle 1 of DARZALEX in combination with VRd. Patients in the safety run-in received four infusion Cycles of DARZALEX and VRd every 21 days followed by stem cell mobilization, high-dose therapy and ASCT; two
consolidation Cycles of DARZALEX and VRd; and maintenance therapy with DARZALEX and lenalidomide for Cycles 7-32. During induction and consolidation (Cycles 1-6), patients received 25 mg of lenalidomide orally on Days 1-14, 1.3 mg/m² of bortezomib subcutaneously on Days 1, 4, 8 and 11, and 20 mg of dexamethasone on Days 1, 2, 8, 9, 15 and 16 every 21 days. DARZALEX 16 mg/kg IV was given on Days 1, 8 and 15 of Cycles 1-4 and on Day 1 of Cycles 5-6. During maintenance (Cycles 7-32), patients receive 10 mg daily of lenalidomide (15 mg beginning at Cycle 10 if tolerated) on Days 1-21 every 28 days and DARZALEX 16 mg/kg IV every 56 days; this was amended to every 28 days. Maintenance therapy with lenalidomide may be continued beyond Cycle 32 per local standard of care. In the subsequent randomized Phase 2 portion of the study, approximately 200 patients were randomized and received treatment with VRd, ASCT and maintenance therapy with lenalidomide or DARZALEX and VRd, ASCT and maintenance therapy with DARZALEX and lenalidomide.

About DARZALEX® (daratumumab) Injection, for Intravenous Infusion
DARZALEX (daratumumab) injection for intravenous use is the first CD38-directed antibody approved anywhere in the world. CD38 is a surface protein that is highly expressed across multiple myeloma cells, regardless of disease stage. DARZALEX is believed to induce tumor cell death through multiple immune-mediated mechanisms of action, including complement-dependent cytotoxicity (CDC), antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity (ADCC) and antibody-dependent cellular phagocytosis (ADCP), as well as through apoptosis, in which a series of molecular steps in a cell lead to its death. Subsets of myeloid derived suppressor cells (MDSCs), CD38+ regulatory T cells (Tregs) and CD38+ B cells (Bregs) were decreased by DARZALEX. DARZALEX is being evaluated in a comprehensive clinical development program across a range of treatment settings in multiple myeloma, such as in frontline and relapsed settings. Additional studies are ongoing or planned to assess its potential in other malignant and pre-malignant hematologic diseases in which CD38 is expressed, such as smoldering myeloma. DARZALEX is the first and only CD38-directed antibody to receive regulatory approval to treat multiple myeloma.

In the U.S., DARZALEX received initial FDA approval in November 2015 as a monotherapy for patients with multiple myeloma who have received at least three prior lines of therapy, including a proteasome inhibitor (PI) and an immunomodulatory agent, or who are double refractory to a PI and an immunomodulatory agent. DARZALEX received additional approvals in November 2016 in combination with lenalidomide and dexamethasone, or bortezomib and dexamethasone, for the treatment of patients with multiple myeloma who have received at least one prior therapy. In June 2017, DARZALEX received approval in combination with pomalidomide and dexamethasone for the
treatment of patients with multiple myeloma who have received at least two prior therapies, including lenalidomide and a PI.\textsuperscript{19} Most recently, in \textbf{May 2018}, DARZALEX received approval in combination with bortezomib, melphalan and prednisone for the treatment of patients with newly diagnosed multiple myeloma who are ineligible for ASCT, making it the first monoclonal antibody approved for newly diagnosed patients with this disease.\textsuperscript{20}

In \textbf{August 2012}, Janssen Biotech, Inc. entered into a global license and development agreement with Genmab A/S, which granted Janssen an exclusive license to develop, manufacture and commercialize DARZALEX.\textsuperscript{21} For the full U.S. Prescribing Information, please visit \texttt{www.DARZALEX.com}.

\textbf{About Multiple Myeloma}

Multiple myeloma is an incurable blood cancer that occurs when malignant plasma cells grow uncontrollably in the bone marrow.\textsuperscript{22,23} Refractory cancer occurs when a patient's disease is resistant to treatment or in the case of multiple myeloma, when patients progress within 60 days of their last therapy.\textsuperscript{24,25} Relapsed cancer means the disease has returned after a period of initial, partial or complete remission.\textsuperscript{26} In 2018, it is estimated that 30,700 people will be diagnosed, and 12,770 will die from the disease, in the United States.\textsuperscript{27} While some patients with multiple myeloma have no symptoms, most patients are diagnosed due to symptoms, which can include bone fracture or pain, low red blood counts, fatigue, high calcium levels, kidney problems or infections.\textsuperscript{28}

\textbf{IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION}\textsuperscript{5}

\textbf{CONTRAINDICATIONS}

DARZALEX\textsuperscript{®} is contraindicated in patients with a history of severe hypersensitivity (e.g., anaphylactic reactions) to daratumumab or any of the components of the formulation.

\textbf{WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS}

\textbf{Infusion Reactions} – DARZALEX\textsuperscript{®} can cause severe and/or serious infusion reactions, including anaphylactic reactions. In clinical trials, approximately half of all patients experienced an infusion reaction. Most infusion reactions occurred during the first infusion and were Grade 1-2. Infusion reactions can also occur with subsequent infusions. Nearly all reactions occurred during infusion or within 4 hours of completing an infusion. Prior to the introduction of post-infusion medication in clinical trials, infusion reactions occurred up to 48 hours after infusion. Severe reactions have occurred, including bronchospasm, hypoxia, dyspnea, hypertension,
laryngeal edema and pulmonary edema. Signs and symptoms may include respiratory symptoms, such as nasal congestion, cough, throat irritation, as well as chills, vomiting and nausea. Less common symptoms were wheezing, allergic rhinitis, pyrexia, chest discomfort, pruritus, and hypotension.

Pre-medicate patients with antihistamines, antipyretics, and corticosteroids. Frequently monitor patients during the entire infusion. Interrupt infusion for reactions of any severity and institute medical management as needed. Permanently discontinue therapy if an anaphylactic reaction or life-threatening (Grade 4) reaction occurs and institute appropriate emergency care. For patients with Grade 1, 2, or 3 reactions, reduce the infusion rate when re-starting the infusion.

To reduce the risk of delayed infusion reactions, administer oral corticosteroids to all patients following DARZALEX® infusions. Patients with a history of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease may require additional post-infusion medications to manage respiratory complications. Consider prescribing short- and long-acting bronchodilators and inhaled corticosteroids for patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

**Interference with Serological Testing** – Daratumumab binds to CD38 on red blood cells (RBCs) and results in a positive Indirect Antiglobulin Test (Indirect Coombs test). Daratumumab-mediated positive indirect antiglobulin test may persist for up to 6 months after the last daratumumab infusion. Daratumumab bound to RBCs masks detection of antibodies to minor antigens in the patient’s serum. The determination of a patient’s ABO and Rh blood type are not impacted. Notify blood transfusion centers of this interference with serological testing and inform blood banks that a patient has received DARZALEX®. Type and screen patients prior to starting DARZALEX®.

**Neutropenia** – DARZALEX® may increase neutropenia induced by background therapy. Monitor complete blood cell counts periodically during treatment according to manufacturer’s prescribing information for background therapies. Monitor patients with neutropenia for signs of infection. DARZALEX® dose delay may be required to allow recovery of neutrophils. No dose reduction of DARZALEX® is recommended. Consider supportive care with growth factors.

**Thrombocytopenia** – DARZALEX® may increase thrombocytopenia induced by background
therapy. Monitor complete blood cell counts periodically during treatment according to manufacturer’s prescribing information for background therapies. DARZALEX® dose delay may be required to allow recovery of platelets. No dose reduction of DARZALEX® is recommended. Consider supportive care with transfusions.

**Interference with Determination of Complete Response** – Daratumumab is a human IgG kappa monoclonal antibody that can be detected on both the serum protein electrophoresis (SPE) and immunofixation (IFE) assays used for the clinical monitoring of endogenous M-protein. This interference can impact the determination of complete response and of disease progression in some patients with IgG kappa myeloma protein.

**Adverse Reactions** – The most frequently reported adverse reactions (incidence ≥20%) in clinical trials were: infusion reactions, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, fatigue, nausea, diarrhea, constipation, vomiting, muscle spasms, arthralgia, back pain, pyrexia, chills, dizziness, insomnia, cough, dyspnea, peripheral edema, peripheral sensory neuropathy and upper respiratory tract infection.

In patients who received DARZALEX® in combination with bortezomib, melphalan, and prednisone (DVMP), the most frequently reported adverse reactions (incidence ≥20%) were: upper respiratory tract infection (48%), infusion reactions (28%), and peripheral edema (21%). Serious adverse reactions (≥2% compared to the VMP arm) were pneumonia (11%), upper respiratory tract infection (5%), and pulmonary edema (2%). Treatment-emergent Grade 3-4 hematologic laboratory abnormalities ≥20% were lymphopenia (58%), neutropenia (44%), and thrombocytopenia (38%).

In patients who received DARZALEX® in combination with lenalidomide and dexamethasone, the most frequently reported adverse reactions (incidence ≥20%) were: upper respiratory tract infection (65%), infusion reactions (48%), diarrhea (43%), fatigue (35%), cough (30%), muscle spasms (26%), nausea (24%), dyspnea (21%) and pyrexia (20%). The overall incidence of serious adverse reactions was 49%. Serious adverse reactions (≥2% compared to Rd) were pneumonia (12%), upper respiratory tract infection (7%), influenza (3%), and pyrexia (3%). Treatment-emergent Grade 3-4 hematologic laboratory abnormalities ≥20% were neutropenia (53%) and lymphopenia (52%).

In patients who received DARZALEX® in combination with bortezomib and dexamethasone, the
most frequently reported adverse reactions (incidence ≥20%) were: peripheral sensory neuropathy (47%), infusion reactions (45%), upper respiratory tract infection (44%), diarrhea (32%), cough (27%), peripheral edema (22%), and dyspnea (21%). The overall incidence of serious adverse reactions was 42%. Serious adverse reactions (≥2% compared to Vd) were upper respiratory tract infection (5%), diarrhea (2%) and atrial fibrillation (2%). Treatment-emergent Grade 3-4 hematology laboratory abnormalities ≥20% were lymphopenia (48%) and thrombocytopenia (47%).

In patients who received DARZALEX® in combination with pomalidomide and dexamethasone, the most frequent adverse reactions (>20%) were fatigue (50%), infusion reactions (50%), upper respiratory tract infection (50%), cough (43%), diarrhea (38%), constipation (33%), dyspnea (33%), nausea (30%), muscle spasms (26%), back pain (25%), pyrexia (25%), insomnia (23%), arthralgia (22%), dizziness (21%), and vomiting (21%). The overall incidence of serious adverse reactions was 49%. Serious adverse reactions reported in ≥5% patients included pneumonia (7%). Treatment-emergent hematology Grade 3-4 laboratory abnormalities ≥20% were anemia (30%), neutropenia (82%), and lymphopenia (71%).

In patients who received DARZALEX® as monotherapy, the most frequently reported adverse reactions (incidence ≥20%) were: infusion reactions (48%), fatigue (39%), nausea (27%), back pain (23%), pyrexia (21%), cough (21%), and upper respiratory tract infection (20%). The overall incidence of serious adverse reactions was 33%. The most frequent serious adverse reactions were pneumonia (6%), general physical health deterioration (3%), and pyrexia (3%). Treatment-emergent Grade 3-4 hematology laboratory abnormalities ≥20% were lymphopenia (40%) and neutropenia (20%).

**DRUG INTERACTIONS**

Effect of Other Drugs on Daratumumab: The coadministration of lenalidomide, pomalidomide or bortezomib with DARZALEX® did not affect the pharmacokinetics of daratumumab.

Effect of Daratumumab on Other Drugs: The coadministration of DARZALEX® with bortezomib or pomalidomide did not affect the pharmacokinetics of bortezomib or pomalidomide.

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