



Ibutilast - Phosphodiesterase Type 4 Inhibitor - Bi-Modal Therapy with Riluzole in Early [ Not Requiring Non-Invasive Ventilation ( NIV ) ] Cohort ( EC ) and Advanced [ Requiring NIV ] ( ANC ) Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis ( ALS ) Patients - Single-Center Adaptive Design Six-Month Double-Blind ( DB ) - Placebo-Controlled Phase 1b/2a Epoch Followed by Six-Month Open Label Extension ( OLE ) Epoch,Washout ( WO ) and Post-Washout Epoch ( PWO ) – Final Report and Future Directions

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Objective

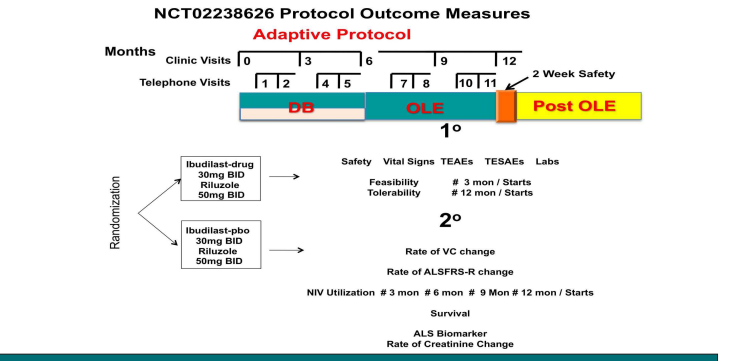
Report relationship of randomized DB-delayed-start/placebo-controlled ibutilast treatment combined with OLE treatment on clinical endpoint-responsiveness [ ALSFRS-R total/sub/item scores, manual muscle strength measurements in limb / orofacial muscles, vital capacity, maximal-inspiratory-pressure, maximal-voluntary ventilation, bulbar/limb timed-functional-tests, quality-of-life measures, survival] at end of DB OLE / WO epochs continuing into PWO epoch in Per-Protocol completers (PP) compared with nonPP-completers (nPP) [ ECPP=35;EC-nPP=16; ANC-PP=12; ANC-nPP=7 ]. Compare apriori statistical plan responder analysis of  $\leq 2$  units drop in ALSFRS-R in DB epoch with post hoc analysis of novel composite endpoint consisting of [a] < 12 unit drop in ALSFRS-R [b] < 1 MMT unit drop in neck and/or leg strength during DB and OLE epochs on post washout ( PWO ) survival.

Background

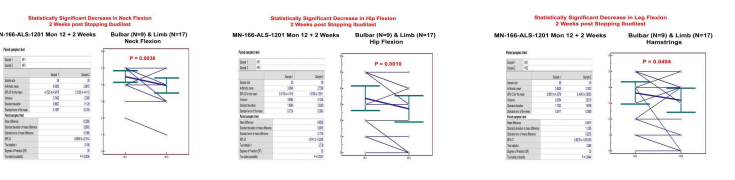
Ibutilast, effective in two ALS-gene-based models, has a known human safety profile that permits assessment of its effectiveness targeting multiple disease pathways at early–distal-axonopathy;late–microglial-activation ALS stages. Ibutilast delays development of brain atrophy in progressive MS.

Methods

MN-166-ALS-1201 Adaptive Design Protocol



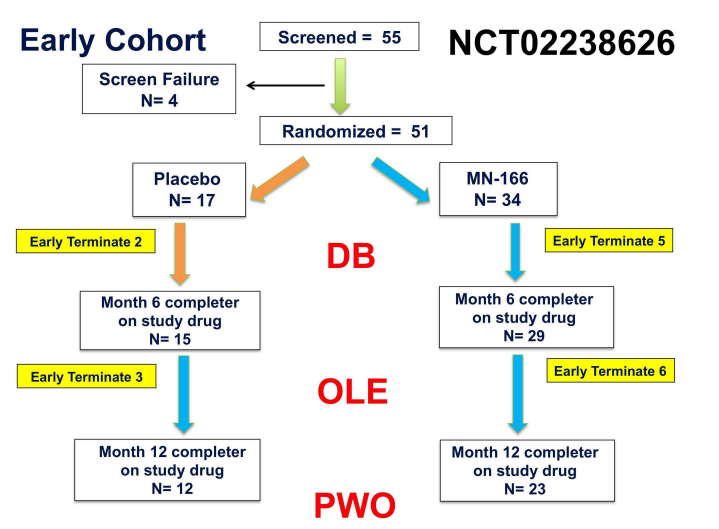
Decreased Strength off Ibutilast



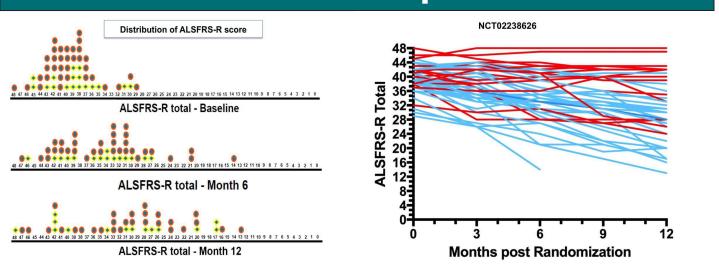
Baseline Characteristics

EC Cohort	Placebo (N=17)	Ibutilast (N=34)
Age	57.5	59.2
Female	5 (29.4%)	11 (32.4%)
Ethnicity		
*Caucasian	15 (88.2%)	31 (91.2%)
*African American	2 (11.8%)	1 (2.9%)
*Asian	0%	1 (2.9%)
*Unknown	0%	1 (2.9%)
Baseline ALSFRS-R	39.0	39.3
Baseline SVC	97.2	92.0
Baseline MIP/NIF	-98.1	-86.0
Baseline MMT (Right)	4.08	4.16
Baseline MMT (Left)	3.97	4.15
Baseline ALSQ-5	6.4	6.4

CONSORT Subject Trajectories



ALSFRS-R Responders



ALSFRS-R Score EC PP population				ALSFRS-R Score EC PP population			
% of subjects with less than 1 unit change in 6 months stable or improved on 6 or 12 months Ibutilast				% of subjects with less than 1 unit change in 6 months stable or improved on 6 or 12 months Ibutilast			
Double-Blind Phase	Open Label Phase	Overall		Double-Blind Phase	Open Label Phase	Overall	
Placebo	Ibutilast	Ibutilast	Ibutilast	Placebo	Ibutilast	Ibutilast	Ibutilast
(N=17)	(N=34)	(N=17)	(N=34)	(N=15)	(N=29)	(N=12)	(N=23)
3/17 (17.6%)	10/34 (29.4%)	6/37 (16.2%)	3*/34 (8.8%)	3/15 (20.0%)	10/29 (34.5%)	6/12 (50.0%)	3*/23 (13.0%)
ITT p = 0.5020	ITT p = 0.4384	ITT p = 0.2304		ITT p = 0.4884	ITT p = 0.1266	ITT p = 0.0325	

Novel Composite Endpoint

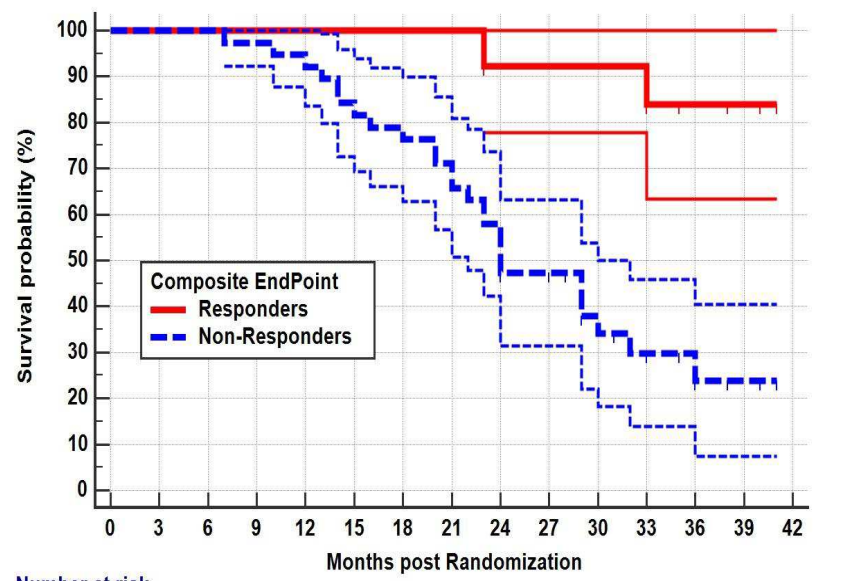
[a] < 12 unit Drop in ALSFRS-R total score at end of OLE phase  
[b] < 1 MMT unit drop in Neck and/or Leg muscles at end of OLE phase

Ibutilast = 11/34  
Placebo = 2/17  
Chi-Square = 2.5294  
P = 0.1117

Ibutilast therapy associated with proportionately more non-progressors compared with placebo therapy

Composite Endpoint and Survival

Subjects who achieved Composite Endpoint during the DB and OLE epochs of the adaptive NCT02238626 clinical trial showed improved survival.

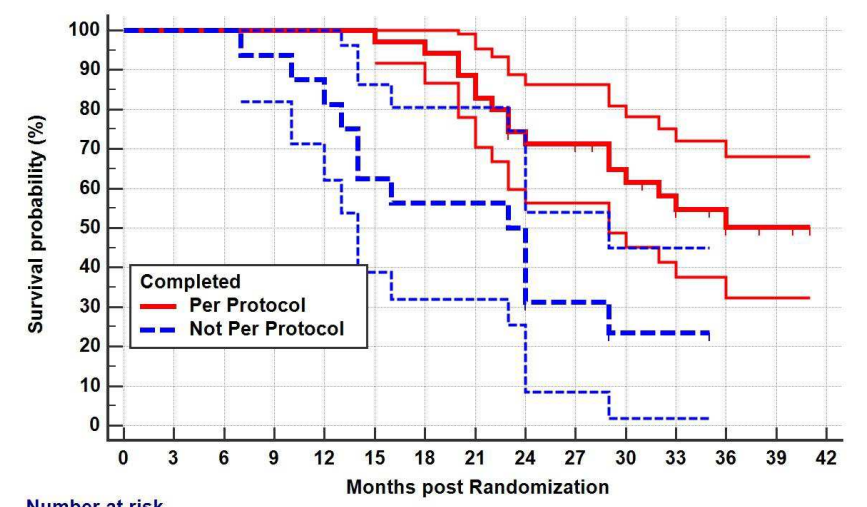


Number at risk	Group: Responders	13	13	13	13	13	13	11	11	11	8	7	4	0
Group: Non-Responders	38	38	37	35	31	29	25	17	16	9	6	3	2	0

Kaplan-Meier survival analysis					
Survival time	LABLDeathMon				
Endpoint	LADeath1				
Factor codes	LAalsfrs_r12NL				
Cases summary					
Factor	Number of events *	Number censored *			
0	N	%	N	%	Total sample size
1	2	15.38	11	32.35	13
Overall	26	68.42	12	31.58	38
Overall	28	54.90	23	45.10	51
* LADeath1 = 1					
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Mean and median survival					
Factor	Mean	SE	95% CI for the mean	Median	95% CI for the median
0	33.236	1.529	30.239 to 36.233	-	-
1	21.791	2.363	17.149 to 26.413	23.000	14.000 to 29.000
Overall	29.977	1.533	26.972 to 32.982	30.000	24.000 to 36.000
Endpoint: Observed n			16.0		12.0
Expected n			22.2		5.8
Observed/Expected			0.7198		2.0790
Comparison of survival curves (Logrank test)					
Chi-squared			9.1137		
DF			1		
Significance			P = 0.0025		
Hazard ratios* with 95% Confidence Interval					
Factor					
0	0.3462		1.1561 to 7.2161		
1	0.1386 to 0.8650		-		

Per-Protocol and Survival

Subjects who completed the DB and OLE epochs of the adaptive NCT02238626 clinical trial per protocol showed improved survival.



Number at risk	Group: Per Protocol	35	35	35	35	35	34	33	29	24	23	19	13	10	6	0
Group: Not Per Protocol	16	16	16	15	13	10	9	9	4	4	1	1	0	0	0	0

Kaplan-Meier survival analysis					
Survival time	LABLDeathMon				
Endpoint	LADeath1				
Factor codes	nPP1				
Cases summary					
Factor	Number of events *	Number censored *			
0	N	%	N	%	Total sample size
1	16	45.71	19	54.29	35
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Conclusions

In this phase 1b/2a clinical trial, a novel composite endpoint defined as less than 12 units (< 1 unit per month) decrease in ALSFRS-R total score and/or not losing 1 MMT unit in neck and leg muscles in the DB and OLE epochs (12 months) was analyzed.

11/34 ALS subjects randomized [ (intention-to-treat (ITT) ] to ibutilast compared with 2/17 subjects randomized to placebo (P=0.1117) showed no progression.

Subjects (ITT) who showed no progression on 6 or 12 months ibutilast showed improved survival (P=0.0010) in the 30 months post ibutilast treatment.

Subjects who completed 6 or 12 months ibutilast treatment [ per-protocol (PP) ] showed improved survival (P=0.0025) in the 30 months post ibutilast treatment.

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