

# Ph Ib/II study of LEE011 (CDK4/6 inhibitor) and LGX818 (BRAF inhibitor) in *BRAF*-mutant melanoma

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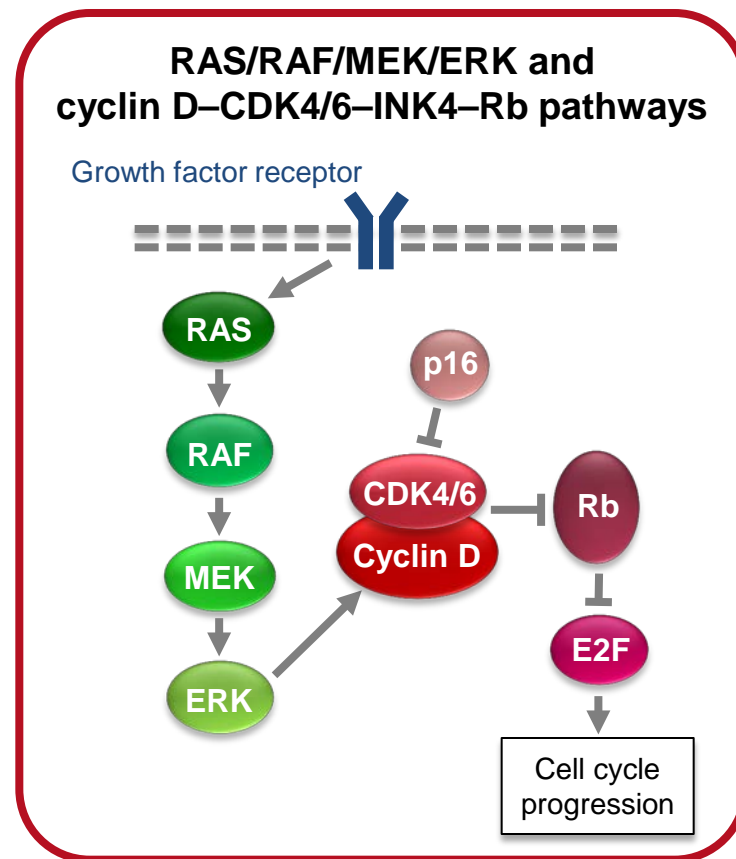
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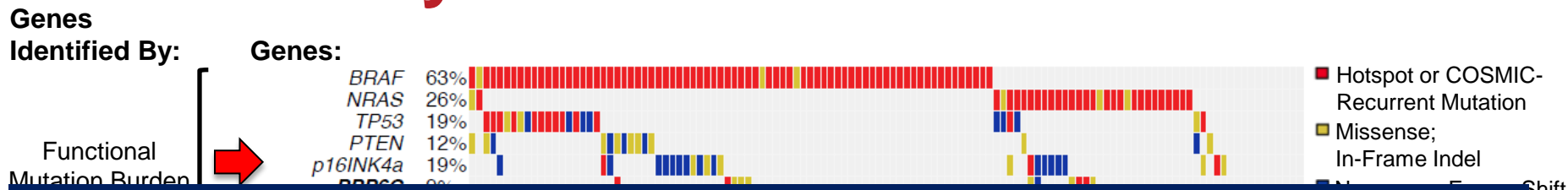
# Introduction

- The majority of melanomas exhibit mutations in the RAS/RAF/MEK/ERK pathway; >40% have *BRAF*<sup>V600</sup> activating mutations
- The cyclin D–CDK4/6–INK4–Rb pathway regulates cell cycle progression

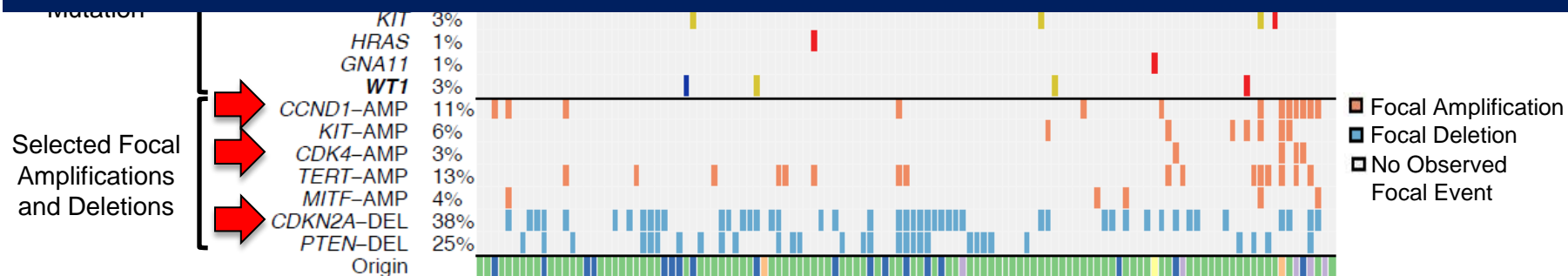


CDK, cyclin-dependent kinase; E2F, E2 transcription factor; ERK, extracellular-signal-regulated kinase; INK4, inhibitor of CDK4; MEK, mitogen-activated protein kinase\ERK kinase; Rb, retinoblastoma protein.

# Frequent Cyclin D–CDK4/6–INK4–Rb Pathway Aberrations in Melanoma<sup>1</sup>



High *CCND1* (cyclin D) and low *CDKN2A* (p16) copy number are associated with a decreased PFS to BRAF inhibitors<sup>2</sup>



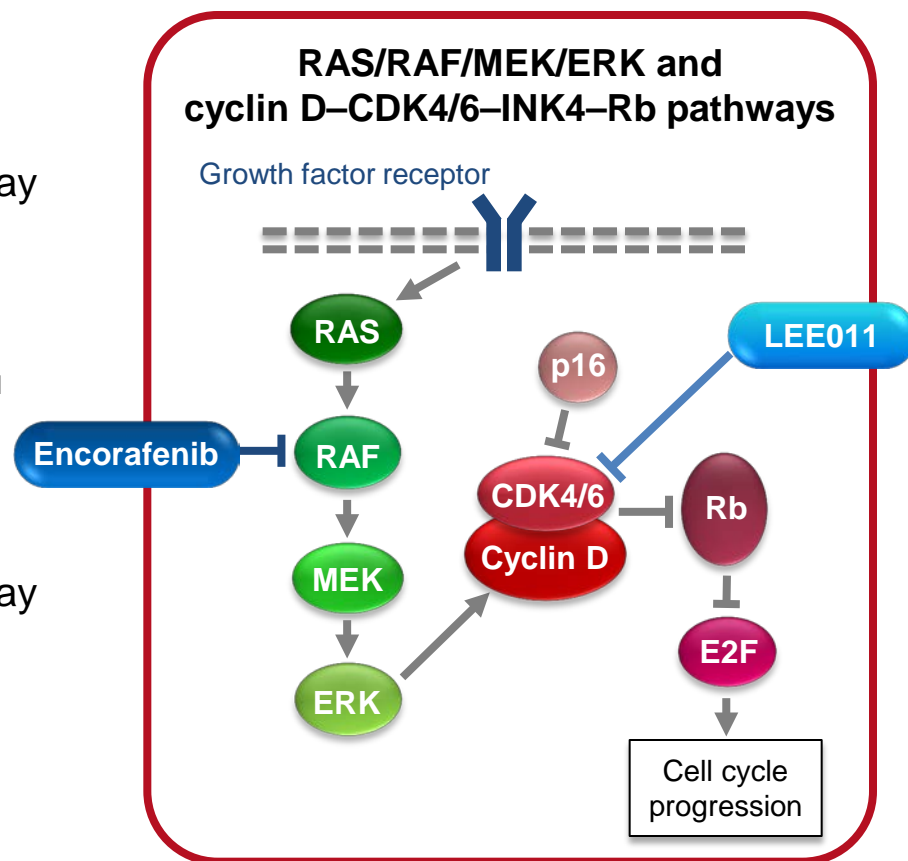
COSMIC, Catalog of Somatic Mutations In Cancer; Indel, insertion or deletion; LoF, loss of function; PFS, progression-free survival.

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# LEE011 and Encorafenib: Single-Agent Data

- Encorafenib (LGX818) is an oral, selective BRAF inhibitor
  - MTD: 450 mg/day and RP2D: 300 mg/day on a continuous schedule<sup>1,2</sup>
  - Preliminary clinical activity observed in BRAFi-naïve patients with *BRAF* V600-mutant melanoma (12 PRs; 50%)<sup>1</sup>
- LEE011 is an oral, selective inhibitor of CDK4/6
  - MTD: 900 mg/day and RP2D: 600 mg/day on a 21-of-28-day schedule<sup>3</sup>
  - Preliminary clinical activity in patients with advanced solid tumours: 3 PRs (3%; 1 in *BRAF/NRAS* wildtype, *CCND1*-amplified melanoma)<sup>3</sup>



BRAFi, BRAF inhibitor; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; PR, partial response; RP2D, recommended Phase II dose.

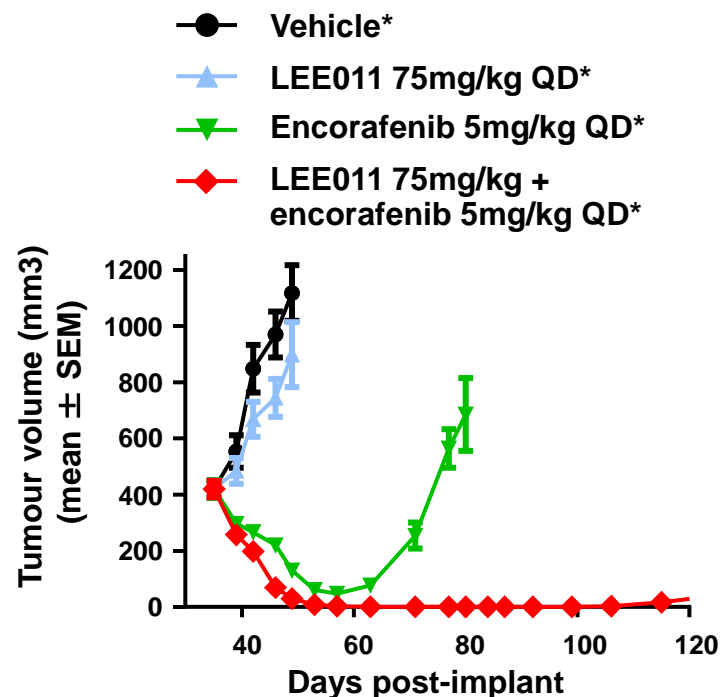
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# Combination of LEE011 and Encorafenib

- Preclinical studies demonstrate enhanced activity for combined LEE011 and encorafenib
  - LEE011 prevents the emergence of resistance to encorafenib
- Simultaneous BRAF and CDK4/6 inhibition may lead to enhanced clinical antitumour activity
- We present the Phase Ib dose escalation data of the LEE011 + encorafenib study in adult patients with *BRAF*-mutant melanoma

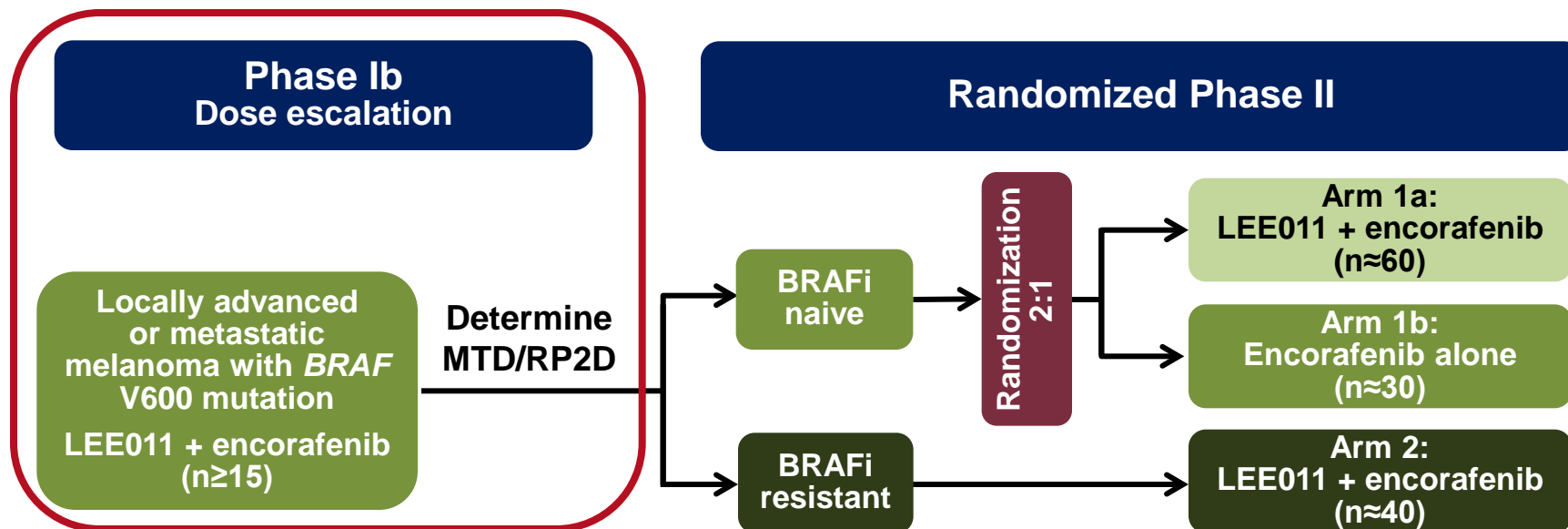
Synergy of LEE011 and encorafenib in a *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup>-mutant melanoma model



\*Treatment started on Day 35

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SEM, standard error of the mean; QD, once daily.

# CLEE011X2105 Study Design



## Phase Ib objectives

- MTD/RP2D
- Safety/tolerability
- PK
- Clinical activity

## Starting doses

- LEE011: 200 mg/day, 21-of-28-days
- Encorafenib: 300 mg/day, continuous

PK, pharmacokinetics.

# Eligibility Criteria

## Key inclusion criteria

- Adults with histologically confirmed locally advanced or metastatic melanoma with *BRAF* V600 mutation
- Evaluable and/or measurable disease as determined by RECIST v1.1
- Representative tumour sample available for molecular testing (unless otherwise agreed)
- ECOG performance status  $\leq 2$

## Key exclusion criteria

- Symptomatic brain metastases (brain metastases allowed if stable  $>2$  weeks after completion of definitive therapy)
- Symptomatic or untreated leptomeningeal disease
- Impaired cardiac function or clinically significant cardiac disease



# Patient Characteristics

Patient characteristic	All N=28
Median age, years (range)	59 (23–81)
Male, n (%)	17 (61)
ECOG PS 0, n (%)	8 (29)
1, n (%)	19 (68)
2, n (%)	1 (4)
Current stage IIIb, n (%)	1 (4)
IV, n (%)	14 (50)
IVb, n (%)	2 (7)
IVc, n (%)	10 (36)
Prior antineoplastic medication, n (%)	26 (93)
# lines 1–2, n (%)	12 (43)
3–4, n (%)	9 (32)
>4, n (%)	5 (18)
Prior BRAFi or MEKi	20 (71)
Prior BRAFi only (no MEKi)	8 (29)
Prior MEKi only (no BRAFi)	2 (7)
Prior BRAFi and MEKi	10 (36)

MEKi, MEK inhibitor; PS, performance status.  
Data cut-off: 10 July 2014.

# Study Drug-related Adverse Events

(>15% in All Patients)

Adverse events, n (%)	LEE 200 mg + E 300 mg n=6		LEE 300 mg + E 200 mg n=12		LEE 400 mg + E 100 mg n=6		LEE 400 mg + E 200 mg n=4		All N=28	
	All	G 3/4	All	G 3/4	All	G 3/4	All	G 3/4	All	G 3/4
Hand-foot syndrome*	2 (33)	1 (17)	7 (58)	1 (8)	3 (50)	1 (17)	1 (25)	0	13 (46)	3 (11)
Nausea	2 (33)	0	5 (42)	0	2 (33)	0	2 (50)	0	11 (39)	0
Pruritus	2 (33)	0	6 (50)	0	1 (17)	0	2 (50)	0	11 (39)	0
Rash	4 (67)	1 (17)	3 (25)	0	0	0	2 (50)	0	9 (32)	1 (4)
Fatigue	2 (33)	0	3 (25)	0	2 (33)	0	1 (25)	0	8 (29)	0
Alopecia	3 (50)	0	2 (17)	0	1 (17)	0	1 (25)	0	7 (25)	0
Dry skin	1 (17)	0	4 (33)	0	2 (33)	0	0	0	7 (25)	0
Myalgia	2 (33)	1 (17)	3 (25)	0	1 (17)	0	0	0	6 (21)	1 (4)
Vomiting	1 (17)	0	2 (17)	0	2 (33)	0	1 (25)	0	6 (21)	0
Diarrhea	2 (33)	0	2 (17)	0	0	0	1 (25)	0	5 (18)	0
Flushing	3 (50)	0	1 (8)	0	0	0	1 (25)	0	5 (18)	0
Stomatitis	0	0	4 (33)	0	1 (17)	0	0	0	5 (18)	0

E, encorafenib; G, grade.

\*Includes palmar-plantar hyperkeratosis, palmoplantar keratoderma, and palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia syndrome.

# Dose-limiting Toxicities

Dose	Treated, n	DLTs, n
LEE 200 mg + E 300 mg	6	2 (1 x G3 myalgia, 1 x G3 conjugated hyperbilirubinaemia)
LEE 300 mg + E 200 mg	12	0
LEE 400 mg + E 100 mg	6	1 (1 x G3 neuralgia)
LEE 400 mg + E 200 mg	4	1 (1 x G2 rash requiring dose reduction)

- MTD/RP2D was not established

DLT, dose-limiting toxicity.

# Pharmacokinetics

- Both agents were absorbed rapidly (within 1–4 hours)
- LEE011 (CYP3A4 inhibitor) at higher doses increased encorafenib exposure, whereas encorafenib (CYP3A4 inducer) at higher doses decreased LEE011 exposure

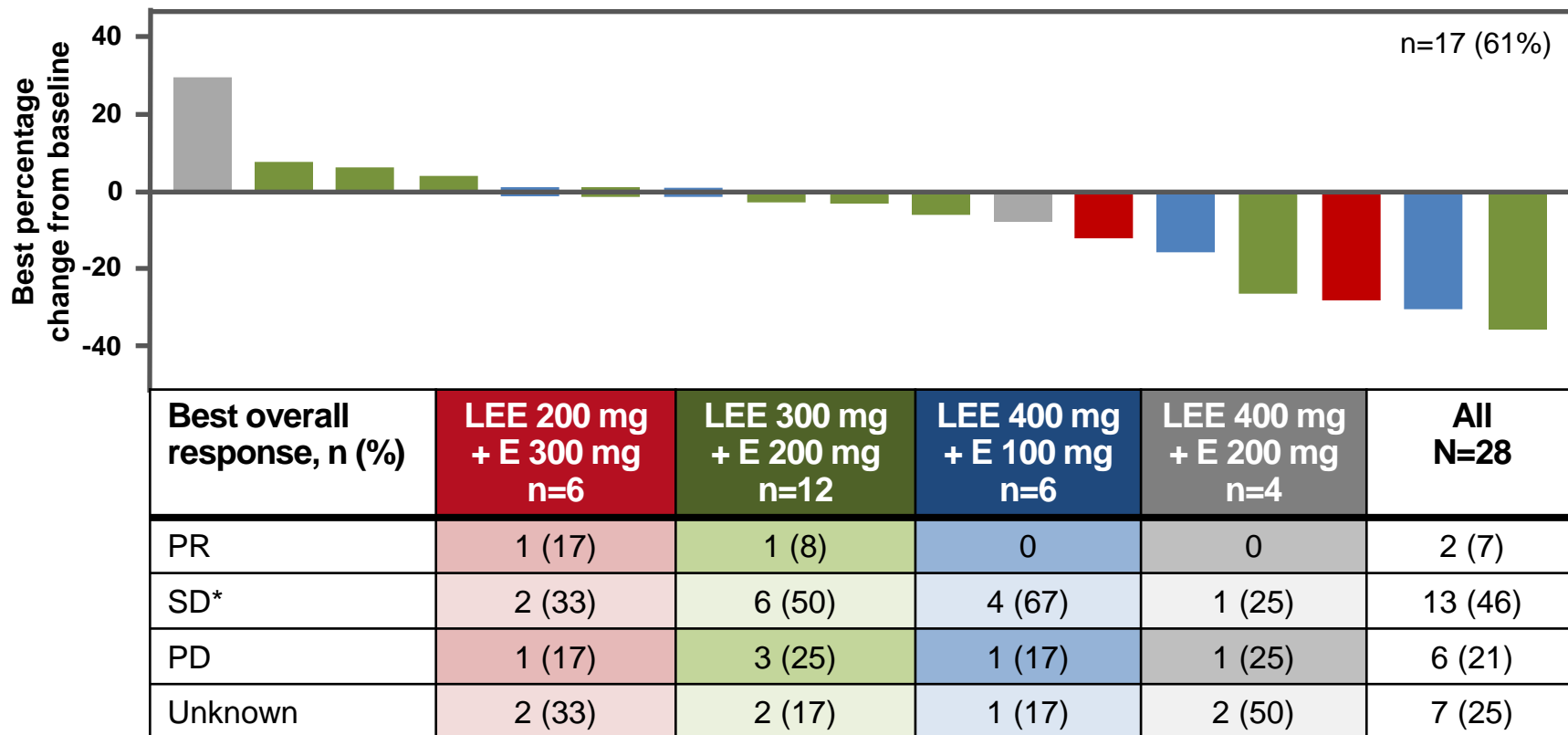
PK parameter at steady state	Encorafenib (Cycle 1 Day 21)			LEE011 (Cycle 1 Day 21)				
	LEE 200 mg + E 300 mg	LEE 300 mg + E 200 mg	LEE 400 mg + E 100 mg	LEE 200 mg + E 300 mg	LEE 300 mg + E 200 mg	LEE 400 mg + E 100 mg		
AUC <sub>0-24</sub> (hr•ng/mL),* [n]	13600 [1]	7860 (75) [5]	11300 (50) [3]	588 [1]	5030 (47) [5]	17400 (26) [3]		
T <sub>max</sub> (hr),†[n]	1 (0.5–2) [3]	1.6 (1.0–3.6) [6]	2.1 (1–4) [3]	2 (0.5–3.8) [3]	2.8 (0.5–4.2) [6]	4 (2–4.1) [3]		
Fold change in AUC <sub>0-24</sub>	–	~1.6	~2.6	–	0.5–0.7	No change		
Historic single-agent data <sup>1,2</sup>	Encorafenib (Cycle 1 Day 15)			LEE011 (Cycle 1 Day 18/21)				
	300 mg	200 mg	100 mg	140 mg	260 mg	280 mg	350 mg	400 mg
AUC <sub>0-24</sub> (hr•ng/mL),* [n]	10100 (53) [4]	5060 (36) [3]	4360 (59) [5]	2490 (41) [3]	5990 (34) [4]	6600 (29) [3]	14500 (8) [3]	12400 (68) [3]

\*Geo-mean (CV% geo-mean); †median (range).

AUC<sub>0-24</sub>, area under the curve from time zero to 24 hours post-dose; T<sub>max</sub>, time of maximum observed concentration.

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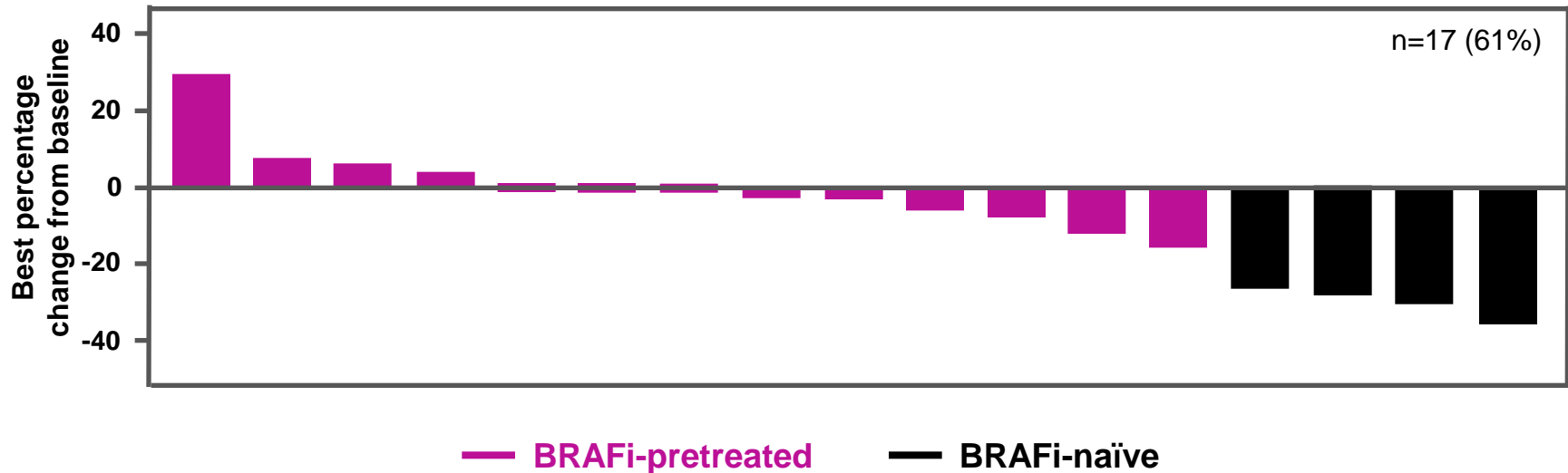
# Activity of LEE011 + Encorafenib



\*Includes 3 unconfirmed PRs.

PD, progressive disease; SD, stable disease.

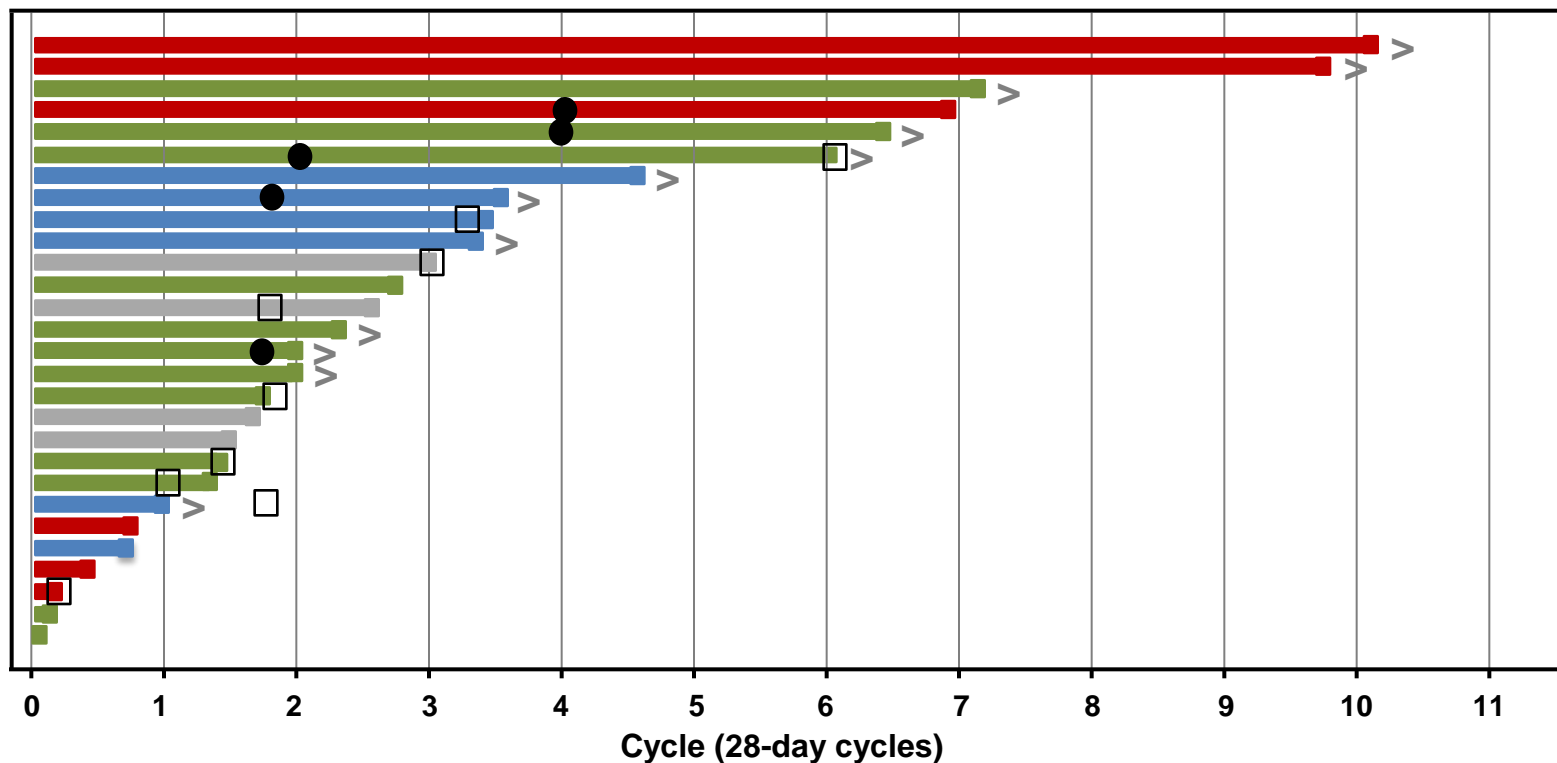
# Activity of LEE011 + Encorafenib by Prior BRAF Inhibitor Treatment



- One patient with a PR was BRAFi-naïve, the other was previously treated with a BRAFi

# Duration of Exposure and RECIST Evaluation

Overall response: ● Partial response ○ Stable disease □ Progressive disease; > Treatment ongoing



■ LEE011 200 mg + encorafenib 300 mg

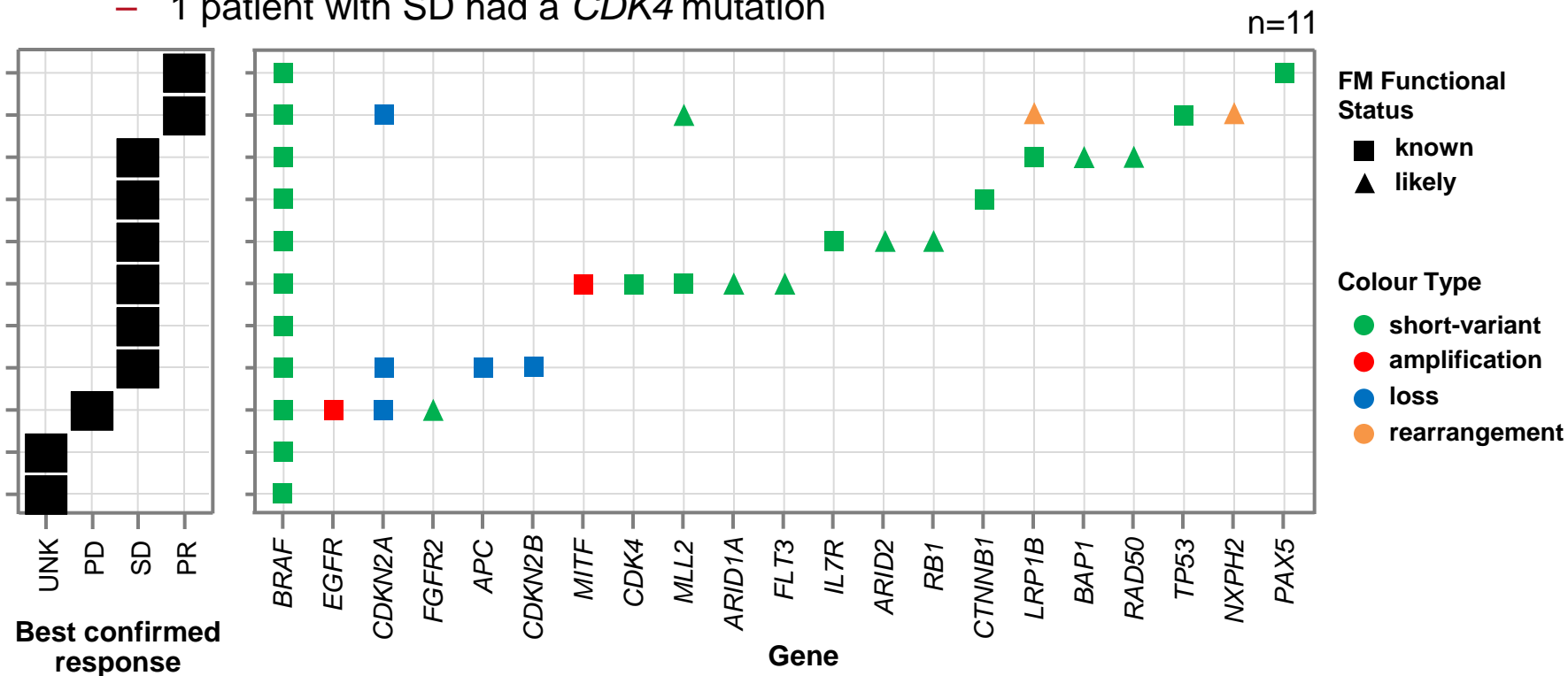
■ LEE011 300 mg + encorafenib 200 mg

■ LEE011 400 mg + encorafenib 100 mg

■ LEE011 400 mg + encorafenib 200 mg

# Genomic Aberrations Identified by NGS

- An NGS panel of 327 genes was used
  - 3 patients had *CDKN2A* (p16) loss (1 PR, 1 SD, 1 PD)
  - 1 patient with SD had a *CDK4* mutation



FM, foundation medicine; NGS, next-generation sequencing.



## Summary

- Combination of LEE011 and encorafenib had an acceptable safety profile
  - Grade 3/4 adverse events were rare; hand-foot syndrome (n=3; 11%) and anaemia (n=2; 7%) were most common
- SD was best response in 46% of patients, one SD lasted >9 cycles
- Evidence of clinical activity was observed: 2 confirmed PRs and 3 unconfirmed PRs
- Little evidence of response was documented in patients resistant to BRAF inhibition
- A study with the triple combination of LEE011 + encorafenib + MEK162 (binimetinib; MEK inhibitor) in *BRAF*-mutant melanoma (NCT01543698) is ongoing

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