# RGI-2001 with CNI-Based Prophylaxis Demonstrates Better Acute GVHD-Free Survival Following Myeloablative Allo-HCT without Increased Relapse: Comparison of a Multi-Center Phase 2b Study with a Contemporaneous CIBMTR Cohort

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# Background

- Severe acute graft-versus-host disease is a major cause of morbidity and mortality after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation.
- Acute GVHD is primarily mediated by effector T-lymphocytes, and prophylactic strategies have traditionally focused on T-cell suppression.
- RG1-2001 contains the active moiety α-GalCer, which binds the CD1d receptor of antigen-presenting cells resulting in activation of invariant natural killer cells, resulting in a cytokine-dependent Treg proliferation.
- RGI-2001 is being evaluated for the potential to reduce or prevent acute GVHD through Treg expansion.

# Study Design

- RGI-2001-003 was an open-label, non-randomized multicenter phase 2b, study to evaluate the safety and efficacy of RGI-2001 for the prevention of acute GVHD when used in combination with tacrolimus-based GVHD prophylaxis.
- Interim results have been previously reported (ASH 2022):
  - Grade II-IV acute GVHD by Day 100: 20.4%
  - Grade III-IV acute GVHD by Day 100: 4.1%
- Today, we will present:
  - Updated clinical data from the 49 participants treated on RGI-2001-003
  - A comparison to a contemporaneous control group of subjects from CIBMTR with SOC GVHD prophylaxis (CNI based regimen)

# RGI-2001 Treatment Group

Forty-nine (n=49) participants were enrolled between 2019-2022 across 7 study centers in the US. 48 subjects included for efficacy analysis with CIBMTR data, 1 mismatch unrelated subject excluded.

#### Key eligibility criteria included:

- Age 18-65 years
- Hematologic malignancy
  - AML, ALL, in first or subsequent CR
  - MDS, CMML, MPN <10% blasts
  - CML
- HLA-identical sibling, 8/8 URD, 7/8 URD
- Myeloablative conditioning
- Bone marrow or PBSC as graft source
- GVHD prophylaxis: CNI + MTX or MMF
- No use of any additional or alternative drug(s) for GVHD prophylaxis

# Screening Phase Day -14 to -1 **Enrollment Phase** Safety Run-in: n=7 Expansion: n=42 Allo-HCT Day 0 **Treatment Phase Visits** RGI 100ug/kg IV infusion Days 0, 7, 14, 21, 28, 35 Follow-up Phase Visits Days 42, 60,100,180, 274 (9mo) **End of Study Visit** Day 365 (12mo)

# CIBMTR Contemporaneous Control Group

Key eligibility criteria for CIBMTR subjects (n=207):

- Study center participation in RGI-2001-003 study
- Year of allo-HCT: 2018-2019
- Eligibility criteria consistent with RGI-2001-003 study criteria:
  - Age, diagnosis, donor type, conditioning intensity, graft source, and GVHD prophylaxis regimen
- · Alemtuzamab, ATG, and PT cyclophosphamide use excluded
- · Clinical trial participants were excluded

## **Baseline Characteristics**

Characteristic	RGI-2001 (n=48)	CIBMTR (n=207)
Age, median (range)	52 (21-65)	50 (18-66)
Race		
White	44 (92%)	177 (86%)
African American	2 (4%)	11 (5%)
Other	2 (4%)	19 (9%)
Female Sex	21 (44%)	95 (46%)
<u>Disease</u>		
AML	26 (54%)	108 (52%)
MDS	7 (15%)	28 (14%)
ALL	11 (23%)	55 (27%)
CML	2 (4%)	8 (4%)
MPN	1 (2%)	8 (4%)
CMML	1 (2%)	0

Characteristic	RGI-2001 (n=48)	CIBMTR (n=207)
Donor type		
HLA-identical sibling	16 (33%)	80 (39%)
8/8 Unrelated	32 (67%)	127 (61%)
Graft source		
PBSC	39 (81%)	171 (83%)
BM	9 (19%)	36 (17%)
Conditioning Regimen		
TBI/Cy	6 (13%)	31 (15%)
TBI/VP	0	11 (5%)
Bu/Cy	2 (4%)	22 (11%)
Flu/Bu	40 (83%)	143 (69%)
GVHD Prophylaxis		
CNI + MTX	48 (100%)	206 (99.5%)*
CNI + MMF	0	1(0.5%)*

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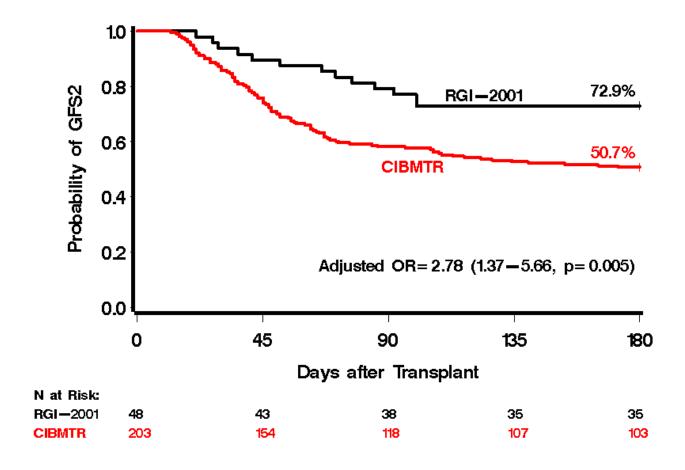
## Neutrophil and Platelet Engraftment

	RGI-2001 N=48	CIBMTR cohort N=207
ANC engraftment	48/48 (100%)	207/207 (100%)
Median (days)	13	13
Min, Max	4, 34	1, 33
Platelet engraftment	48/48 (100%)	201/207 (97%)
Median (days)	18	18
Min, Max	4, 61	1, 97

## Acute and Chronic GVHD

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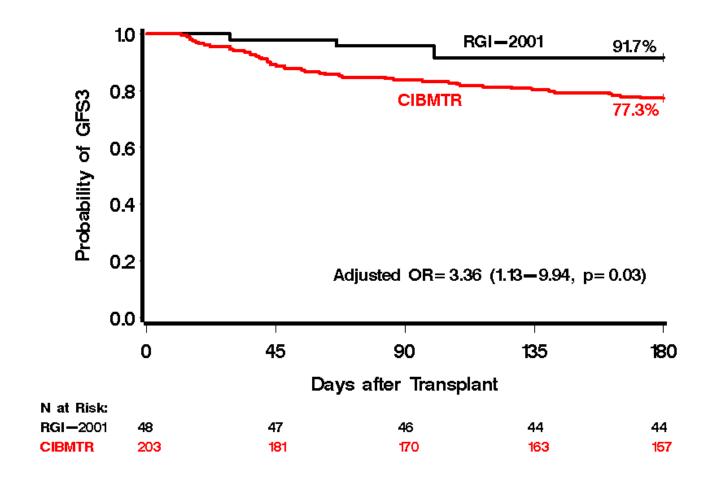
## Grades II-IV acute GVHD-Free Survival



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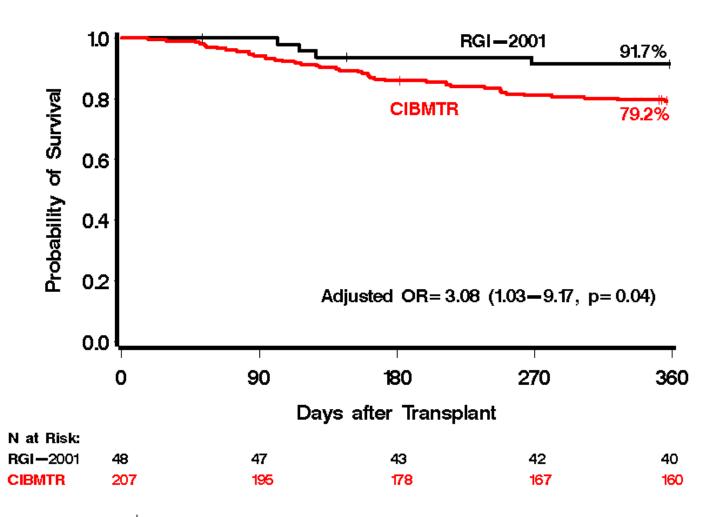
## Grades III-IV acute GVHD-Free Survival



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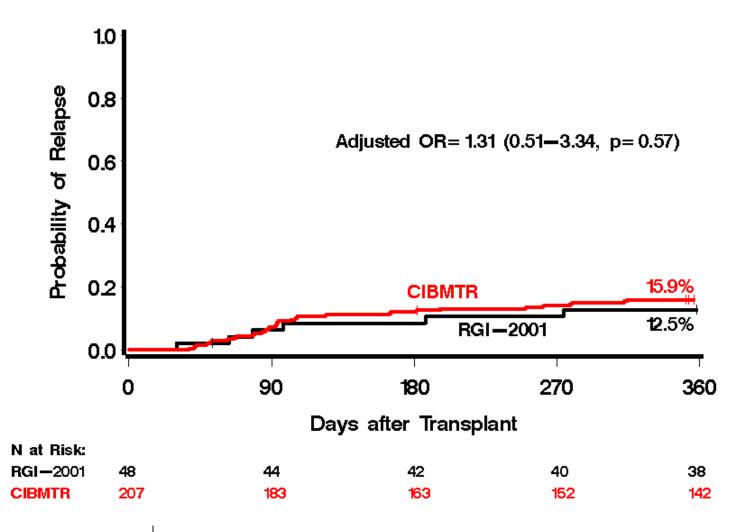
## **Overall Survival**



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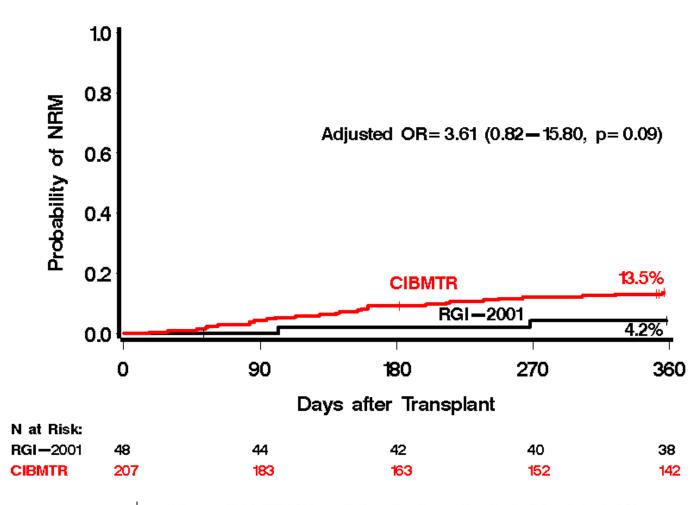
# Relapse



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# Non-Relapse Mortality



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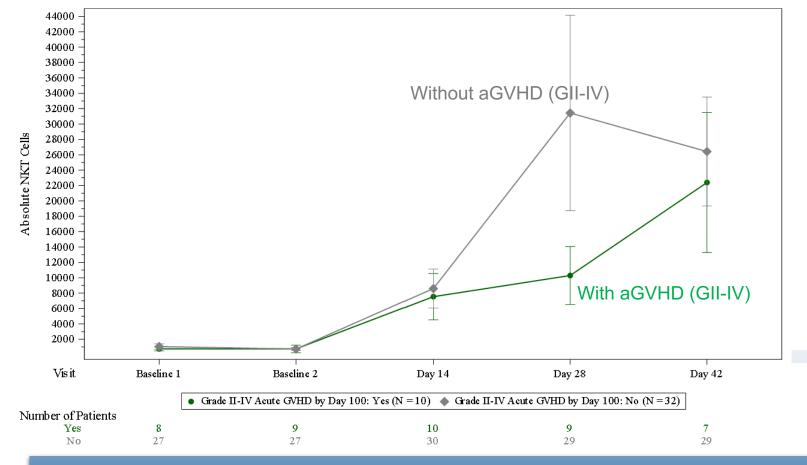
# RGI-2001 Treatment-Related AEs (>10%)

## All subjects enrolled (N=49)

	Adverse Events	All Grade TEAE N=49	Grade 3 or 4 TEAE N=49
Hematologic AEs	Platelet count decreased	7 (14.3%)	4 (8.2%)
	Anemia	6 (12.2%)	2 (4.1%)
	Neutrophil count decreased	6 (12.2%)	2 (4.1%)
Non-Hematologic AEs	Nausea	11 (22.4%)	1 (2.0%)
	Rash	10 (20.4%)	1 (2.0%)
	Diarrhea	9 (18.4%)	1 (2.0%)
	Stomatitis	9 (18.4%)	4 (8.2%)
	Decreased Appetite	9 (18.4%)	6 (12.2%)
	Abdominal pain	7 (14.3%)	0
	ALT increased	6 (12.2%)	0
	Fatigue	6 (12.2%)	0
	Hypomagnesemia	6 (12.2%)	0
	Mucosal inflammation	6 (12.2%)	3 (6.1%)
	Dyspnea	6 (12.2%)	0

## **Correlative Science**

Absolute NKT cells over time for subjects treated with RGI-2001 with or without GII-IV aGVHD by Day 100



Higher numbers of iNKT cells have reduced risk of GVHD<sup>1</sup> and participants with rapid iNKT cells have lower risk of GVHD and improved survival<sup>2</sup>

NKT cells on Day 28 were on average higher in participants without GII-IV aGVHD

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Baseline 1 = prior to transplant, baseline 2 = post transplant, prior to RGI-2001 treatment

<sup>1</sup>Rubio et al. Leukemia 31:903, 2017, Rubio et al. Blood 120: 2144, 2012; <sup>2</sup>Chaidos et al, Blood 119:5030, 2012, Malard et al, Blood 127:1828, 2016

## Conclusions

- RGI-2001 with CNI-based prophylaxis results in low rates of acute GVHD and high acute GVHD-free survival.
- Compared to a contemporaneous CIBMTR Cohort:
  - RGI-2001 with CNI-based prophylaxis was associated with lower rates of Grade II-IV acute GVHD and higher acute GVHD-free survival (Grades II-IV and III-IV).
- Relapse rates between the 2 cohorts are similar, suggesting no compromise of the GVL effect.
- The similar rates of chronic GVHD in the 2 cohorts suggests that the activity of RGI-2001 is limited to acute GVHD with the current dosing regimen

## Limitations and Future Directions

 RGI-2001+ CNI based regimen shows positive results for acute GVHD prevention with survival benefit and no increase in relapse vs CIBMTR control.

- Based on these results, a Phase 3 randomized controlled study is being planned to confirm the efficacy and safety of RGI-2001 in Allo-HCT.
- Correlative analyses are ongoing to evaluate changes in Treg and NK cell populations to evaluate the proposed mechanism of action on RGI-2001.