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P R O C E E D I N G S

(10:00 a.m.)

Call to Order

DR. HOFFMAN: Good morning and welcome. I would first like to remind everyone to please mute your line when you are not speaking. For media and press, the FDA press contact is Chanapa Tantibanchachai. Her email and phone number are currently displayed.

My name is Philip Hoffman, and I will be chairing today's meeting. I will now call the April 27, 2021 meeting of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee to order. Dr. Joyce Yu is the designated federal officer for this meeting and will begin with introductions.

DR. YU: Hi. Can you hear me?

DR. HOFFMAN: Yes, we can hear you.

DR. YU: Thank you.

Introduction of Committee

DR. YU: Good afternoon. My name is Joyce Yu, and I'm the designated federal officer for today's meeting. When I call your name, please

1 introduce yourself by stating your name and
2 affiliation.

3 Dr. Halabi?

4 DR. HALABI: Yes. Hi. Good afternoon.
5 This is Susan Halabi, and I'm at Duke University.

6 DR. YU: Dr. Hoffman?

7 DR. HOFFMAN: This is Philip Hoffman. I'm a
8 medical oncologist at the University of Chicago.

9 DR. YU: Dr. Lieu?

10 DR. LIEU: Hi, everybody. I'm Chris Lieu, a
11 medical oncologist from the University of Colorado.

12 DR. YU: Dr. Burstein?

13 DR. BURSTEIN: Harold Burstein, a medical
14 oncologist at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and
15 Harvard Medical School.

16 DR. YU: Dr. Ellis?

17 DR. ELLIS: Matthew Ellis, director of the
18 Lester and Sue Smith Breast Center at Baylor
19 College of Medicine.

20 DR. YU: Dr. Finestone?

21 DR. FINESTONE: Yes. Sandra Finestone. I'm
22 the acting consumer representative. I'm the

1 executive director of the Association of Cancer
2 Patient Educators in Irvine, California.

3 DR. YU: Dr. Lipkowitz?

4 DR. LIPKOWITZ: Stan Lipkowitz. I'm a
5 medical oncologist at the National Cancer
6 Institute.

7 DR. YU: Dr. Montero?

8 DR. MONTERO: Hi. I'm Alberto Montero. I'm
9 a medical oncologist at University Hospitals
10 Seidman Cancer Center and also a member of Case
11 Western Reserve University Medical School.

12 DR. YU: Ms. Spotila?

13 MS. SPOTILA: My name is Jennifer Spotila.
14 I'm a patient representative. I was a caregiver
15 for my mother who died of triple-negative breast
16 cancer.

17 DR. YU: Dr. Kraus?

18 DR. KRAUS: Yes. Hello, everyone. I'm
19 Albert Kraus. I work in oncology research and
20 development for the Pfizer company.

21 DR. YU: Thank you.

22 We'll now introduce our FDA participants.

1 Dr. Pazdur?

2 DR. PAZDUR: Richard Pazdur. I am the
3 director of the Oncology Center of Excellence at
4 the FDA.

5 DR. YU: Dr. Beaver?

6 DR. BEAVER: Hello. I'm Julia Beaver. I'm
7 chief of medical oncology in the Oncology Center of
8 Excellence at FDA.

9 DR. YU: Dr. Amiri?

10 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: Hello. My name is
11 Laleh Amiri-Kordestani. I'm the division director
12 for the Division of Oncology 1.

13 DR. YU: Thank you.

14 I'll turn it over to you, Dr. Hoffman.

15 DR. HOFFMAN: For topics such as those being
16 discussed at this meeting, there are often a
17 variety of opinions, some of which are quite
18 strongly held. Our goal is that this meeting will
19 be a fair and open forum for discussion of these
20 issues and that individuals can express their views
21 without interruption.

22 Thus, as a gentle reminder, individuals will

1 be allowed to speak into the record only if
2 recognized by the chairperson. We look forward to
3 a productive meeting.

4 In the spirit of the Federal Advisory
5 Committee Act and the Government in the Sunshine
6 Act, we ask that the advisory committee members
7 take care that their conversations about the topic
8 at hand take place in the open forum of this
9 meeting.

10 We are aware that members of the media are
11 anxious to speak with the FDA about these
12 proceedings, however, the FDA will refrain from
13 discussing the details of this meeting with the
14 media until its conclusion. Also, the committee is
15 reminded to please refrain from discussing the
16 meeting topic during the break. Thank you.

17 Dr. Joyce Yu will read the Conflict of
18 Interest Statement for the meeting.

19 **Conflict of Interest Statement**

20 DR. YU: The Food and Drug Administration,
21 FDA, is convening today's meeting of the Oncologic
22 Drugs Advisory Committee under the authority of the

1 Federal Advisory Committee Act, FACA, of 1972.
2 With the exception of the industry representative,
3 all members and temporary voting members of the
4 committee are special government employees, SGEs,
5 or regular federal employees from other agencies
6 and are subject to federal conflict of interest
7 laws and regulations.

8 The following information on the status of
9 this committee's compliance with federal ethics and
10 conflict of interest laws, covered by but not
11 limited to those found at 18 U.S.C. Section 208, is
12 being provided to participants in today's meeting
13 and to the public.

14 FDA has determined that members and
15 temporary voting members of this committee are in
16 compliance with federal ethics and conflict of
17 interest laws. Under 18 U.S.C. Section 208,
18 Congress has authorized FDA to grant waivers to
19 special government employees and regular federal
20 employees who have potential financial conflicts
21 when it is determined that the agency's need for a
22 special government employee's services outweighs

1 his or her potential financial conflict of interest
2 or when the interest of a regular federal employee
3 is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to
4 affect the integrity of the services which the
5 government may expect from the employee.

6 Related to the discussions of today's
7 meeting, members and temporary voting members of
8 this committee have been screened for potential
9 financial conflicts of interests of their own as
10 well as those imputed to them, including those of
11 their spouses or minor children and, for purposes
12 of 18 U.S.C. Section 208, their employers. These
13 interests may include investments; contracts,
14 grants, CRADAs; teaching, speaking, writing;
15 patents and royalties; and primary employment.

16 Today's agenda involves receiving updates on
17 biologic license application, BLA, 761034,
18 supplement 018, for Tecentriq, atezolizumab,
19 submitted by Genentech, Incorporated, indicated in
20 combination with paclitaxel protein-bound for the
21 treatment of adult patients with unresectable
22 locally advanced or metastatic triple-negative

1 breast cancer, whose tumors express PD-L1, PD-L1
2 stained tumor-infiltrating immune cells of any
3 intensity greater than or equal to 1 percent of the
4 tumor area, as determined by an FDA-approved test.

5 The committee will hear updates on this
6 supplemental biologics license application approved
7 under 21 CFR 601.40, subpart E, accelerated
8 approval regulations, with confirmatory trial or
9 trials that have not verified clinical benefit.
10 These updates will provide information on: 1) the
11 status and results of confirmatory clinical studies
12 for the given indication; and 2) any ongoing and
13 planned trials.

14 Confirmatory studies are postmarketing
15 studies to verify and describe the clinical benefit
16 of a drug after it receives accelerated approval.
17 Based on the updates provided, the committee will
18 have a general discussion focused on next steps for
19 this product, including whether the indication
20 should remain on the market while additional trial
21 or trials are conducted. This is a particular
22 matters meeting during which specific matters

1 related to Genentech's sBLA will be discussed.

2 Based on the agenda for today's meeting and
3 all financial interests reported by the committee
4 members and temporary voting members, conflict of
5 interest waivers have been issued in accordance
6 with 18 U.S.C. Section 208(b)(3) to Drs. Philip
7 Hoffman, Christopher Lieu, Harold Burstein, Matthew
8 Ellis, and Ms. Jennifer Spotila.

9 Dr. Hoffman's waiver involves his employer's
10 research contract funded by Merck. His employer
11 receives \$0 to \$50,000 per year from Merck.

12 Dr. Lieu's waiver involves his employer's
13 research contract funded by the National Cancer
14 Institute. The NCI has an agreement with
15 Roche/Genentech, sponsor of Tecentriq,
16 atezolizumab. His employer receives \$25,000 to
17 \$75,000 per year from NCI.

18 Dr. Burstein's waiver involves two clinical
19 trials by the Alliance for Clinical Trials in
20 Oncology. One trial is funded by NCI and
21 Genentech, sponsor of Tecentriq, atezolizumab. The
22 Alliance receives \$2.5 to \$3.5 million per year for

1 this trial. The second trial is funded by NCI and
2 Abraxis, sponsor of Abraxane, nab-paclitaxel. The
3 Alliance receives \$950,000 to \$1.5 million per year
4 for this trial.

5 Dr. Ellis' waiver involves his investment
6 holdings in a healthcare sector mutual fund.

7 Ms. Spotila's waiver involves stock holdings
8 in four competing or affected firms.

9 The waivers allow these individuals to
10 participate fully in today's deliberations. FDA's
11 reasons for issuing the waivers are described in
12 the waiver documents, which are posted at FDA's
13 website at [https://www.fda.gov/advisory-committees/
14 committees-and-meeting-materials/human-drug-
15 advisory-committees.](https://www.fda.gov/advisory-committees/committees-and-meeting-materials/human-drug-advisory-committees)

16 Copies of the waivers may also be obtained
17 by submitting a written request to the agency's
18 Freedom of Information division, 5630 Fishers Lane,
19 Room 1035, Rockville, Maryland, 20857, or requests
20 may be sent via fax to 301-827-9267.

21 To ensure transparency, we encourage all
22 standing committee members and temporary voting

1 members to disclose any public statements that they
2 have made concerning the product at issue. With
3 respect to FDA's invited industry representative,
4 we would like to disclose that Dr. Albert Kraus is
5 participating in this meeting as a non-voting
6 industry representative, acting on behalf of
7 regulated industry. Dr. Kraus' role at this
8 meeting is to represent industry in general and not
9 any particular company. Dr. Kraus is employed by
10 Pfizer.

11 We would like to remind members and
12 temporary voting members that if the discussions
13 involve any other products or firms not already on
14 the agenda for which an FDA participant has a
15 personal or imputed financial interest, the
16 participants need to exclude themselves from such
17 involvement, and their exclusion will be noted for
18 the record. FDA encourages all other participants
19 to advise the committee of any financial
20 relationships that they may have with the firm at
21 issue. Thank you.

22 DR. HOFFMAN: We will now proceed with FDA

1 introductory comments from Dr. Julia Beaver.

2 **FDA Introductory Comments - Julia Beaver**

3 DR. BEAVER: Thank you.

4 Good afternoon, Chairman and members of the
5 committee. My name is Julia Beaver. I'm a medical
6 oncologist and chief of medical oncology in the
7 Oncology Center of Excellence, and acting deputy
8 director in the Office of Oncologic Diseases at
9 FDA.

10 I will be giving opening remarks to provide
11 background on accelerated approval and set the
12 stage for your discussions in this session. I will
13 provide similar remarks to introduce the other
14 sessions in this three-day accelerated approval
15 advisory committee meeting.

16 I will first explain the regulatory
17 background and history of the accelerated approval
18 program in oncology and the intent of the program.
19 I'll then discuss our oncology experience with
20 accelerated approval so you can use this historical
21 knowledge to inform your decisions regarding the
22 indication to be discussed. I will begin with the

1 regulatory background and requirement for granting
2 an accelerated approval.

3 In 1992, the accelerated approval
4 regulations were added as an alternative pathway to
5 regular approval in order to expedite the delivery
6 of promising drug products for serious or life-
7 threatening illnesses that lacked satisfactory
8 treatment.

9 Cancer meets this serious and life-
10 threatening requirement, and like regular approval,
11 accelerated approval still requires substantial
12 evidence of efficacy and safety. However, for
13 accelerated approval, the efficacy evidence can be
14 based on an earlier endpoint reasonably likely to
15 predict clinical benefit and needs to be an
16 endpoint other than survival or irreversible
17 morbidity.

18 In oncology, this endpoint is most commonly
19 response rate or progression-free survival, earlier
20 endpoints that can be used for either regular or
21 accelerated approval depending on the magnitude of
22 the results, safety data, and disease context. To

1 receive accelerated approval, the drug product
2 should also provide meaningful therapeutic benefit
3 over that of existing therapies, meaning over
4 therapies that are approved under regular approval
5 or set standards of care.

6 Because of the uncertainty associated with
7 accelerated approval, confirmatory postmarketing
8 trial or trials may be required to verify the
9 clinical benefit, and these trials would usually be
10 underway at the time of the accelerated approval;
11 can be carried out in a different treatment
12 setting, for instance, an accelerated approval as
13 monotherapy in a refractory setting and a
14 confirmatory trial in the same disease but in an
15 earlier setting in combination with chemotherapy,
16 and need to be carried out with due diligence. The
17 majority of accelerated approvals have been for
18 oncology products, and I will now go over the
19 oncology experience with accelerated approval.

20 Over the last three decades, there have been
21 over 150 oncology accelerated approvals and
22 35 anti-PD-1 or PD-L1 antibody accelerated

1 approvals, with close to half of the accelerated
2 approvals converting to regular approval with a
3 median of three years and only 10 withdrawals.

4 As discussed, accelerated approval
5 indications may be withdrawn if postmarketing
6 trials do not confirm clinical benefit or are not
7 conducted with due diligence. FDA appreciates that
8 a clinical trial that does not meet its endpoint or
9 does not demonstrate a meaningful outcome does not
10 necessarily mean the drug is not effective. This
11 failure to demonstrate meaningful efficacy rather
12 than a true lack of efficacy can potentially be
13 explained by differences in trial design, including
14 endpoints, statistical testing, or biomarker
15 selection.

16 If clear reasons exist for a trial not to
17 achieve its primary endpoint or to demonstrate a
18 small benefit that is not meaningful and an unmet
19 medical need still exists, FDA will work with
20 companies to identify subsequent clinical trials to
21 verify benefit while retaining the original
22 accelerated approval on the market.

1 In cases where withdrawal is appropriate,
2 drugs have typically been removed voluntarily by
3 the company through communication and consultation
4 with FDA. The one exception to this voluntary
5 withdrawal was bevacizumab for the treatment of
6 HER2-negative metastatic breast cancer, where FDA
7 initiated withdrawal proceedings.

8 I will now discuss the content and
9 background of the advisory committee meeting over
10 these three days.

11 FDA and the FDA Oncology Center of
12 Excellence continuously evaluate the accelerated
13 approval program to make sure the benefit to
14 patients is maintained, and to increase
15 transparency in the future, we may continue public
16 discussions of these evaluations on a more periodic
17 basis.

18 Over the last six years, there has been an
19 unprecedented level of drug development for the
20 anti-PD-1 or PD-L1 antibody class, with more than
21 75 indications approved in oncology, with
22 35 accelerated approvals, with development for

1 these indications reflecting a high unmet medical
2 need.

3 The FDA Oncology Center of Excellence
4 evaluated these accelerated approvals and
5 identified 10 indications for anti-PD-1 or PD-L1
6 antibodies where accelerated approval had been
7 granted, and results from confirmatory trial or
8 trials did not meet their primary efficacy
9 endpoint.

10 While these antibodies have definitive
11 disease activity for specific patients, given the
12 results of the confirmatory studies, the
13 risk-benefit calculation for these indications may
14 have changed in the contemporary treatment
15 landscape and thus warrant further examination.

16 FDA therefore initiated discussions for
17 these respective indications with the companies,
18 recommending withdrawal or alternatively bringing
19 the indication to a public discussion at this
20 advisory committee meeting.

21 Four antibody indications in small-cell lung
22 cancer and in urothelial carcinoma, shown here,

1 appropriately chose to voluntarily withdraw their
2 indications in consultation with FDA. It is
3 notable that both the small-cell lung cancer and
4 urothelial indications here have seen a changing
5 landscape of disease treatment, meaning after these
6 accelerated approvals were granted, alternative
7 anti-PD-1 or PD-L1 therapies have demonstrated
8 survival benefit either in the same line of therapy
9 or an earlier line, thus calling into question the
10 benefit of these four indications above that of
11 current available therapies. These withdrawals
12 therefore maintain the integrity of the accelerated
13 approval program.

14 While the four withdrawals were warranted,
15 the remaining six indications that will be
16 discussed during this three-day advisory committee
17 meeting warrant further discussion and we hope to
18 hear further advice. This session will discuss
19 atezolizumab in combination with nab-paclitaxel for
20 the treatment of patients with metastatic PD-L1
21 positive triple-negative breast cancer.

22 There are some key issues for this session

1 we would like the committee to consider. First, it
2 is important to note that the available therapies
3 have not changed for this indication. Thus, the
4 unmet medical need still exists.

5 However, the original accelerated approval
6 for atezolizumab was based on a small improvement
7 in PFS and survival results were not statistically
8 significant, and the confirmatory trial in the same
9 indication, although with a different combination
10 regimen, showed a concern for worsened overall
11 survival.

12 In conclusion, accelerated approval provides
13 a trade-off of expediting approvals of drugs with
14 increased uncertainty. Oncology has successfully
15 applied the principles of accelerated approval over
16 the last 28 years, making transformative oncology
17 indications available to patients years earlier.

18 The percentage of drugs that do not
19 ultimately confirm clinical benefit should not be
20 viewed as a failure of the program, but rather an
21 expected trade-off to expedite drug development of
22 promising agents for severe and life-threatening

1 diseases like cancer. However, since the goal of
2 accelerated approval is patient benefit, when
3 postmarketing studies do not need their primary
4 objectives, the drug product should be re-evaluated
5 in the context of currently available therapy, and
6 if deemed to no longer benefit patients, the
7 accelerated approval indication should be
8 withdrawn.

9 Therefore, we would like the advisory
10 committee to discuss if the indication should be
11 retained on the market while additional trials are
12 conducted or completed. Thank you for your
13 attention.

14 DR. HOFFMAN: Both the Food and Drug
15 Administration and the public believe in a
16 transparent process for information gathering and
17 decision making. To ensure such transparency at
18 the advisory committee meeting, FDA believes that
19 it is important to understand the context of an
20 individual's presentation.

21 For this reason, FDA encourages all
22 participants, including the Genentech's non-

1 employee presenters, to advise the committee of any
2 financial relationships that they may have with the
3 sponsor such as consulting fees, travel expenses,
4 honoraria, and interest in the sponsor, including
5 equity interests and those based upon the outcome
6 of the meeting.

7 Likewise, FDA encourages you at the
8 beginning of your presentation to advise the
9 committee if you do not have any such financial
10 relationships. If you choose not to address this
11 issue of financial relationships at the beginning
12 of your presentation, it will not preclude you from
13 speaking.

14 We will now proceed with presentations from
15 Genentech, Incorporated, immediately followed by
16 the FDA presentation.

17 **Applicant Presentation - Charles Fuchs**

18 DR. FUCHS: Good afternoon. I'm Dr. Charles
19 Fuchs, senior vice president and global head of
20 oncology and hematology product development at
21 Genentech and Roche. I want to thank Dr. Hoffman,
22 the committee members, Dr. Pazdur, and the FDA

1 staff for this opportunity to discuss with you
2 maintaining the accelerated approval for
3 atezolizumab in combination with nab-paclitaxel in
4 advanced triple-negative breast cancer.

5 My background is as a medical oncologist. I
6 previously worked at the Dana-Farber Cancer
7 Institute in Boston and subsequently served as
8 director of the Yale Cancer Center in New Haven,
9 Connecticut. In March of this year, I had the
10 privilege of joining Genentech and Roche to lead
11 oncology and hematology drug development.

12 Since the 1990s, the accelerated approval
13 process has fundamentally enhanced our ability to
14 bring novel therapies to the benefit of patients
15 with unmet medical needs, most notably cancers with
16 limited treatment options.

17 In 2019, on the basis of the results of the
18 IMPassion130 trial, the combination of atezolizumab
19 and nab-paclitaxel was granted accelerated approval
20 for patients with advanced triple-negative breast
21 cancer, whose tumors were PD-L1 positive. Since
22 that time, we've continued our efforts to further

1 define the role of atezolizumab for patients with
2 this malignancy, and we look forward to reviewing
3 those data with you today.

4 As we'll discuss today, the first-line
5 treatment of advanced triple-negative breast cancer
6 continues to represent an unmet medical need, and
7 data emerging since the accelerated approval
8 continue to support the favorable benefit-risk
9 profile for the combination of atezolizumab and
10 nab-paclitaxel in these patients.

11 While our confirmatory trial IMPassion131
12 did not meet its primary endpoint of progression-
13 free survival, Genentech has been in active
14 discussions with the FDA to define a new agreed-
15 upon confirmatory trial, which is detailed in our
16 briefing document supplement. Moreover, while the
17 FDA comments in our supplement raises reservations
18 to some of the ongoing studies as potential
19 confirmatory trials, we submit in our presentation
20 today that these trials meaningfully add to our
21 understanding of atezolizumab in triple-negative
22 breast cancer, and as such represents a clear path

1 to confirm the favorable benefit-risk for
2 atezolizumab in this patient population.

3 Today I'm joined by Dr. Steve Chui,
4 Genentech global development lead for Tecentriq in
5 breast and gyn cancers; Dr. Claude Berge, Genentech
6 project lead statistician; Dr. Vidya Maiya,
7 Genentech safety strategy lead; Dr. Adam Brufsky,
8 professor of medicine at the University of
9 Pittsburgh School of Medicine and medical director
10 of the Magee-Women's Cancer Program; and
11 Dr. Melinda Telli, associate professor of medicine
12 at Stanford University and director of the Breast
13 Cancer Program at the Stanford Cancer Institute.

14 My colleague, Dr. Chui will now review the
15 data underlying the accelerated approval in
16 triple-negative breast cancer, as well as the data
17 that have been generated since, to support our
18 position that the accelerated approval should be
19 maintained as additional data are generated.

20 Dr. Chui?

21 **Applicant Presentation - Steve Chui**

22 DR. CHUI: Thank you, Dr. Fuchs.

1 Good afternoon. My name is Steve Chui, and
2 on behalf of Genentech, we appreciate the
3 opportunity to explain to this committee our
4 rationale to maintain the accelerated approval of
5 atezolizumab, in combination with nab-paclitaxel,
6 in PD-L1 positive metastatic triple-negative breast
7 cancer.

8 As many of the clinicians on this panel
9 know, metastatic triple-negative breast cancer is
10 an aggressive disease that results in poor patient
11 outcomes. In the U.S., breast cancer is the most
12 common cancer in women, with over 279,000 new cases
13 diagnosed in 2020, and triple-negative breast
14 cancer represents 10 to 20 percent of these breast
15 cancers. It is defined by the lack of expression
16 of estrogen and progesterone receptor in the
17 absence of HER2 overexpression.

18 Metastatic TNBC, TNBC which is spread
19 throughout the body outside of the breasts, has the
20 worst outcome as compared to all other breast
21 cancer subtypes. Median survival after diagnosis
22 is short, and it's reported in the literature as

1 only 12 to 18 months despite palliative
2 chemotherapy. The 5-year survival rate is
3 estimated at 15 percent. Unfortunately, nearly all
4 patients with metastatic TNBC will ultimately die
5 from the disease.

6 Patients with metastatic TNBC, even today,
7 have significant ongoing need for effective
8 therapeutic options. Chemotherapy has been the
9 mainstay of therapy for triple-negative breast
10 cancer to date, but chemotherapy has limited
11 efficacy benefits, a short progression-free
12 survival, and ultimately poor overall patient
13 survival.

14 Most of the other treatment options that
15 have become available only provide benefits to
16 small subsets of TNBC, are used in later-line
17 therapy, or have not reported survival benefits to
18 date. Therefore, the availability of anti-PD-L1
19 and anti-PD-1 treatment has offered another
20 important therapeutic option for the approximately
21 40 percent of patients whose TNBC tumors express
22 PD-L1, and there are two options.

1 We're here today to talk about atezolizumab
2 plus nab-paclitaxel, which received accelerated
3 approval based upon progression-free survival
4 benefit. Genentech has also reported upon the
5 overall survival data for this combination, which
6 we will talk about further in this presentation.
7 The combination of pembrolizumab plus chemotherapy
8 recently received accelerated approval in
9 November 2020 based upon progression-free survival
10 data.

11 Tecentriq, or atezolizumab, is an engineered
12 IgG1 antibody that activates T cells by blocking
13 the interactions of PD-L1 with its receptors. As
14 an anti-cancer therapy alone or in combination,
15 Tecentriq has been approved in six different cancer
16 indications in over 100 countries.

17 Here's an outline of what I will cover over
18 the remainder of this presentation. I will start
19 by reviewing the data supporting the initial
20 accelerated approval and then the studies and data
21 that were intended to confer clinical benefit, the
22 IMPassion131 postmarketing requirement and the

1 IMPassion130 final overall survival analysis
2 postmarketing commitment.

3 Finally, we will go over the multiple
4 options that Genentech has worked up and discussed
5 with the FDA as potential next steps to generate
6 data that confirms the benefit of atezo in TNBC.
7 I'll start with the IMPassion130 study and the data
8 which led to the initial accelerated approval.

9 IMPassion130 is a phase 3 study that
10 investigated whether adding immunotherapy to a
11 standard-of-care chemotherapy provides benefits for
12 metastatic triple-negative breast cancer patients.
13 902 patients with newly diagnosed metastatic or
14 inoperable locally-advanced TNBC were randomized in
15 1-to-1 fashion to receive nab-paclitaxel plus
16 atezolizumab or nab-paclitaxel plus placebo. They
17 were then treated until progressive disease or
18 unacceptable toxicity.

19 There were four co-primary endpoints for
20 this study: progression-free survival in the
21 intent-to-treat and PD-L1 positive population
22 tested in parallel and overall survival and the

1 intent-to-treat and PD-L1 positive populations
2 tested hierarchically based upon a hypothesis that
3 adding chemotherapy to atezo could extend the
4 benefits of cancer immunotherapy to tumors that do
5 not initially express PD-L1. The study was powered
6 for these endpoints in all the primary populations.

7 Here's the data from the IMPassion130
8 primary analysis that led to the FDA accelerated
9 approval. IMPassion130 did meet its co-primary
10 endpoints, demonstrating statistically significant
11 progression-free survival in both the
12 intent-to-treat and PD-L1 positive populations,
13 with hazard ratios of 0.79 and 0.60, respectively.

14 At the time of the primary analysis for
15 progression-free survival, the first interim,
16 overall survival analysis was also performed. It
17 was observed to be a hazard ratio of 0.84 for
18 overall survival in the intent-to-treat population,
19 but this did not cross the boundary for statistical
20 significance.

21 A hazard ratio of 0.62 was seen for overall
22 survival in the PD-L1 positive population, although

1 this difference did not undergo formal p-value
2 testing because the overall survival in the
3 intent-to-treat population did not reach
4 statistical significance first.

5 Importantly, the treatment benefits that are
6 observed in IMPassion130 are being driven entirely
7 by the benefit seen in the 41 percent of patients
8 whose tumors were PD-L1 positive, and this is the
9 indication that Genentech sought after seeing these
10 data. And while the IMPassion130 sBLA was
11 originally intended to support regular approval,
12 the FDA considered accelerated approval more
13 appropriate since the overall survival improvement
14 in PD-L1 positive tumors was viewed as exploratory,
15 as statistical significance was not formally tested
16 and the PFS increase of 2.6 months in PD-L1
17 positive tumors was considered a small absolute
18 benefit.

19 At the time of the IMPassion130 primary
20 readout, the IMPassion131 study was ongoing. This
21 is the study that was designated as the PMR with
22 the atezo plus nab-paclitaxel accelerated approval.

1 Let's review this study and its outputs.

2 Genentech initiated the IMPassion131 study
3 since we felt that it was important to generate
4 robust, stand-alone data to assess the impact of
5 different chemotherapy regimens in combination with
6 the atezo in TNBC, in part, given limitations in
7 the availability of nab-paclitaxel in many
8 countries around the globe.

9 IMPassion131 is a phase 3 study that
10 investigated whether adding atezolizumab to
11 paclitaxel chemotherapy can provide benefits to
12 metastatic TNBC patients. The study had some
13 similarities to IMPassion130. It also enrolled
14 newly diagnosed metastatic or inoperable
15 locally-advanced TNBC, randomized patients to
16 receive atezolizumab or placebo, and treated them
17 until progressive disease or unacceptable toxicity.
18 The primary endpoint of this study is PFS in the
19 PD-L1 positive population falls hierarchically by
20 PFS in the intent-to-treat population.

21 As previously mentioned, at the time of the
22 IMPassion130, atezo plus nab-paclitaxel primary

1 accelerated approval, the IMPassion131 atezo plus
2 paclitaxel study was still recruiting. Even though
3 IMPassion131 was asking a different question than
4 IMPassion130, it was not intended upfront as a
5 confirmatory trial. It was felt that IMPassion131
6 could potentially provide confirmatory data.
7 IMPassion131 ultimately was designated as a PMR.

8 The primary analysis of IMPassion131 showed
9 that treatment with atezo plus paclitaxel did not
10 show a statistically significant improvement in
11 progression-free survival when compared to placebo
12 plus paclitaxel in the PD-L1 positive population.
13 The safety profile of atezo plus paclitaxel
14 observed in IMPassion131 was comparable to the
15 safety profile of atezo plus nab-paclitaxel from
16 IMPassion130 and did not reveal a safety concern.
17 As stated in the briefing book, FDA did conduct an
18 independent analysis and have arrived at a similar
19 conclusion.

20 Given the lack of efficacy improvement and
21 the associated risks and toxicities for the
22 addition of atezo to paclitaxel, the Tecentriq USPI

1 was updated with a limitation of use and a new
2 warning and precaution not to substitute
3 nab-paclitaxel with paclitaxel in combination with
4 atezolizumab when treating patients with metastatic
5 TNBC.

6 While this PMR study was insufficient to
7 convert the accelerated approval to regular
8 approval, Genentech's position is that the results
9 of IMPassion131 with the atezo plus paclitaxel do
10 not undermine the clinically meaningful and durable
11 benefit for atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel
12 observed in the IMPassion130 study.

13 So the question that arises is what factors
14 resulted in the difference in efficacy outcomes
15 between IMPassion130 and IMPassion131? After
16 performing extensive analyses, we identified the
17 following differences between the studies. While
18 IMPassion131 is a very similar study to
19 IMPassion130 and enrolled a similar population, the
20 primary endpoints and the statistical design and
21 assumptions were different. For instance,
22 IMPassion131 had a 2-to-1 randomization and the

1 median follow-up is different. They are both, of
2 course, a blinded randomized study, the gold
3 standard for clinical research.

4 Turning to control arm for performance,
5 there is notably a difference in overall survival
6 control-arm performance between the two studies
7 with a median overall survival from IMPassion131
8 appearing not to be in line; survival outcomes
9 described in prior literature for patients treated
10 with chemotherapy only. Chemotherapy partners are
11 different, but it is difficult to assess clearly in
12 cross-trial comparisons if the different
13 formulations of nab-paclitaxel and paclitaxel,
14 which share the same active molecule, impact the
15 activity of atezo differently.

16 The study differed in the use of steroid
17 premedications. Now, steroids are potentially
18 immunosuppressive, but steroids were also used
19 similarly in both studies to treat immune-related
20 adverse events. Also, potential chemo combinations
21 in different cancers such as lung cancer commonly
22 used steroid premedication, and atezo showed

1 efficacy benefit there.

2 The study is different according to the
3 enrollment of patients by region, more North
4 American patients in IMPassion130 and more patients
5 from Asia in IMPassion131. However, the treatment
6 effect of atezo plus chemo across patients from
7 different regions appears generally consisted in
8 each study.

9 In the end, it has been challenging for us
10 to point to any single factor that clearly accounts
11 for the difference in efficacy outcomes between the
12 two studies. It is possible that one of these
13 factors, or perhaps a combination of several
14 factors, did result in the difference in the
15 readouts. Nonetheless, we see that both
16 IMPassion130 and IMPassion131 provide important
17 information that has been included in the USPI to
18 describe how to best use atezo to treat metastatic
19 TNBC.

20 I'll shift now to talk about the additional
21 data from the final overall survival analysis in
22 IMPassion130, which has now become available since

1 the accelerated approval was granted. And over the
2 next few slides, I will review this updated and
3 mature data with you. Let's begin with
4 progression-free survival.

5 While PFS was already mature at the time of
6 the primary analysis, here we show a descriptive
7 updated PFS analysis with a few more PFS events.
8 This updated analysis shows clear consistency with
9 the primary analysis with a PFS hazard ratio of
10 0.61 in PD-L1 positive tumors.

11 The median improvement in PFS goes from
12 4.8 months for placebo plus nab-paclitaxel to
13 7.5 months for atezo plus nab-paclitaxel. You can
14 see that the Kaplan-Meier progression-free survival
15 curves separate early and remain separated for the
16 duration of follow-up.

17 At the time of the accelerated approval,
18 there was an overall survival benefit seen that was
19 clinically meaningful, but no p-value testing was
20 performed due to the hierarchy of analysis. We
21 have now reached the prespecified final analysis
22 for IMPassion130, performed now after 70 percent of

1 the enrolled patients have died. These represent
2 the most mature survival data available from the
3 phase 3 study of atezolizumab and nab-paclitaxel.

4 We see a hazard ratio of 0.67 that
5 corresponds to a clinically meaningful 33 percent
6 risk reduction for death. There's an improvement
7 in median overall survival, from 17.9 months for
8 placebo plus nab-pac to 25.4 months for atezo plus
9 nab-pac. This is a 7-and-a-half-month median
10 improvement in overall survival. You can see that
11 the Kaplan-Meier survival curves separate early and
12 remain separated for the duration of follow-up.

13 The secondary efficacy endpoint of overall
14 response rates showed consistency with the PFS and
15 overall survival endpoints. With the addition of
16 atezo to nab-pac, there was a numerical improvement
17 in the overall response rate for PD-L1 positive
18 tumors, from 33 percent to 53 percent, and a higher
19 complete response rate, 1 percent of the control
20 arm and 11 percent in the experimental arm.

21 The predefined patient-reported outcomes
22 data further support the clinical meaningfulness of

1 the IMPassion130 PFS in overall survival endpoint.
2 Now, the patient-reported outcomes data from
3 IMPassion130 is unique for an add-on therapy, but
4 we might expect that an add-on therapy would add
5 additional treatment burden.

6 Patient-reported outcomes data from
7 IMPassion130 showed that patients' health-related
8 quality of life and day-to-day functioning was
9 maintained -- it did not worsen -- over the
10 duration of study treatment when atezo was added to
11 nab-paclitaxel.

12 Updated safety data from IMPassion130 also
13 support continuation of the accelerated approval.
14 The safety profile of atezolizumab is well
15 characterized and established across several
16 approved indications and an extensive experience in
17 nearly 125,000 patients. The updated safety
18 results from IMPassion130 now have an additional
19 5.9 months of median safety follow-up since the
20 primary analysis.

21 There were no clinically meaningful
22 differences observed in the safety profile of

1 atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel with longer
2 follow-up. There were no new safety signals or
3 evidence of late onset toxicity at the time of the
4 primary or the final overall survival analysis.
5 The addition of atezolizumab did not compromise the
6 patient's ability to receive nab-paclitaxel.

7 Here's the IMPassion130 safety data side by
8 side with atezo monotherapy for reference. With
9 the additional follow-up, there were no clinically
10 significant differences observed in the safety
11 profile of the combination specifically. There
12 were no additional fatal toxicities.

13 There were minimal changes in the nature and
14 frequency of the serious and severe adverse events.
15 There was also minimal change in the adverse events
16 of special interest, or AESIs, which are events
17 based on the presumed mechanism of action of
18 atezolizumab.

19 The most common adverse events are shown in
20 this tornado plot. The adverse events are
21 relatively similar between the two arms; that you
22 can see from the descriptive terms on the left side

1 of the slide, the adverse events really describe
2 the toxicities of the chemotherapy. There are no
3 changes from the previous analyses. Treating
4 physicians could manage most of the adverse events
5 with early recognition and intervention.

6 The adverse events of special interest were
7 similar to that observed during the primary
8 analysis and are mostly low grade. Most patients
9 could continue atezo if AESIs were recognized and
10 managed appropriately by their treating physician.

11 In summary, this mature safety data for
12 atezolizumab with nab-paclitaxel continues to
13 support a favorable benefit-risk assessment for the
14 combination in metastatic TNBC. I will finish by
15 describing the options that Genentech is
16 considering to confirm the clinical benefit of
17 atezo in TNBC.

18 Given the ongoing unmet need in
19 triple-negative breast cancer, and therefore the
20 importance of keeping the atezo/nab-paclitaxel
21 combination available for patients, Genentech met
22 with the FDA on December 1, 2020 to discuss what

1 additional data could confirm the benefit observed
2 in IMPassion130.

3 We had comprehensively assessed multiple
4 options, starting with potentially running a new
5 randomized trial of nab-paclitaxel with or without
6 atezo. We also evaluated whether one or more of
7 the ongoing phase 3 TNBC trials might be able to
8 provide confirmatory data. We even considered some
9 innovative approaches to generating supportive data
10 such as a non-randomized interventional study with
11 a historical control-arm comparison or even looking
12 into real-world data sources.

13 Let me walk you through the most likely
14 options for confirmatory data generation. The most
15 rigorous approach for generating confirmatory data
16 would be to repeat the original pivotal clinical
17 trial; enroll patients with PD-L1 positive
18 metastatic TNBC, otherwise identical to those from
19 IMPassion130, and randomize them to receive either.
20 nab-paclitaxel plus atezo or nab-paclitaxel plus
21 placebo.

22 However after the positive data readout from

1 IMPassion130, we see that it could be challenging
2 to randomize patients to receive nab-paclitaxel
3 without cancer immunotherapy in metastatic TNBC
4 that is PD-L1 positive

5 The hurdles to repeating the IMPassion130
6 randomized design are due to the inclusion of the
7 atezo/nab-paclitaxel combination in global clinical
8 practice guidelines, the worldwide approvals of the
9 combination in now 89 countries around the globe,
10 and reluctance from physicians and patients to now
11 participate in a trial that has a possibility of
12 receiving chemotherapy only for a PD-L1 positive
13 metastatic TNBC.

14 Seeing there are some challenges to
15 repeating the IMPassion130 trial, we also looked at
16 whether one or more of the ongoing randomized
17 trials of atezolizumab TNBC could provide
18 confirmatory data.

19 At our December meeting with the FDA, the
20 agency stated that they were open to further
21 discussion on utilizing data from IMPassion132,
22 another one of our metastatic TNBC trials, as well

1 as one of the early setting randomized trials for
2 confirming the clinical benefit of atezolizumab.

3 Let's talk more in detail about the ongoing
4 trials. They all randomized to concurrent atezo or
5 placebo. These studies are highlighted at the top
6 of this slide in blue.

7 Here is the schema of the IMPassion132
8 study. This study is enrolling patients who have
9 suffered metastatic relapse of TNBC less than
10 12 months after prior therapy for early disease.
11 This is a particularly poor prognosis in a
12 treatment-resistant group of tumors and a different
13 population than those enrolled into either
14 IMPassion130 or IMPassion131; and the backbone
15 chemotherapy investigator's choice of either
16 carboplatin, gemcitabine, or capecitabine. The
17 study does have the gold standard endpoint of
18 overall survival.

19 Here's the schema of the IMPassion030 study.
20 This study is enrolling patients with early
21 triple-negative breast cancer who are receiving
22 adjuvant paclitaxel followed by AC or EC

1 chemotherapy. The long-term primary endpoint is
2 invasive disease-free survival.

3 Here's the schema of the NSABP B-59 study.
4 This study is enrolling patients with early
5 triple-negative breast cancer who are receiving
6 neoadjuvant chemotherapy with paclitaxel/
7 carboplatin, followed by AC or EC, followed by
8 surgery. The co-primary endpoints are pathologic
9 complete response rate at surgery and also the
10 long-term endpoint of event-free survival.

11 As you may have seen in the briefing
12 package, the FDA expressed uncertainty regarding
13 the appropriateness of generating confirmatory data
14 in the ongoing early TNBC studies. However,
15 Genentech sees that these trials do have the
16 potential to confirm clinical benefit for the
17 following reasons.

18 We see the potential for atezo to have more
19 broad activity in the early TNBC study compared to
20 what has been observed in the metastatic setting.
21 For instance, when atezo was added to neoadjuvant
22 chemotherapy for early breast cancer in the

1 IMPassion131 study, the pathologic complete
2 response rates were improved in the all-comer
3 population, and these results are consistent with
4 biomarker data, showing that the tumor-immune
5 microenvironment is more rich in early TNBC.

6 As you can see from the schema on the slide,
7 there are several chemotherapy agents, including
8 paclitaxel, being combined with the atezo in the
9 early study. With the additional chemotherapy
10 agents, atezo may demonstrate a different efficacy
11 profile than in the metastatic setting. As they
12 continue to enroll and treat patients with the
13 combination regimen, each study does have an
14 independent data monitoring committee ensuring the
15 ongoing safety of the clinical trial participants.

16 So in summary, we do think that it is
17 reasonably likely that the benefit of atezo in TNBC
18 could be confirmed in a study in early disease.
19 While the ideal PMR would be a
20 randomized-controlled trial essentially replicating
21 IMPassion130, there are some obstacles to this
22 approach that would need to be overcome.

1 You've also heard how there is data being
2 generated that will describe how to best utilize
3 atezo across all of TNBC. Building upon agency
4 guidance, suggesting that confirmatory data
5 generated in similar but related populations might
6 be capable of verifying benefits and a recent PMR
7 precedent in TNBC setting, characterizing clinical
8 benefit using efficacy endpoints from multiple
9 studies, we do see that one or more of the ongoing
10 studies could contribute data that confirms the
11 benefit of atezolizumab treatment in
12 triple-negative breast cancer.

13 To conclude with a summary of Genentech's
14 position on maintaining the accelerated approval
15 for atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel in PD-L1
16 positive metastatic TNBC, there continues to be
17 high unmet need for patients with metastatic
18 triple-negative breast cancer. Treatment with
19 atezolizumab and nab-paclitaxel has helped to
20 address some of this unmet need for patients with
21 biomarker-defined PD-L1 positive metastatic TNBC.

22 The IMPassion130 study demonstrated

1 statistically significant progression-free
2 survival, clinically meaningful overall survival
3 benefits, and a manageable safety profile for
4 treatment with the combination of atezo plus
5 nab-paclitaxel in PD-L1 positive metastatic TNBC.

6 The data for the clinical efficacy and the
7 safety for atezo plus nab-paclitaxel that resulted
8 in the accelerated approval has held up with
9 increasing data maturity. While atezo plus
10 paclitaxel did not improve PFS in the IMPassion131
11 study, this does not change the benefit-risk
12 profile of atezo plus nab-paclitaxel on the pivotal
13 phase 3 study, which is now read out as pre-planned
14 final overall-survival analysis.

15 Genentech is committed to generating the
16 data which is necessary to confirm the clinical
17 benefit of atezo in TNBC. As we have outlined, we
18 have several options to generate these data.
19 Atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel is the only
20 therapy that has reported improvement in overall
21 survival in first-line metastatic TNBC. In light
22 of the ongoing unmet need, it should remain

1 available to patients with PD-L1 positive
2 metastatic triple-negative breast cancer.

3 Thank you for your attention. Here, I'll
4 conclude the formal presentation. We do look
5 forward to hearing from the panel.

6 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Chui, thank you.

7 Dr. Hoffman, this concludes our
8 presentation, and we look forward to answering the
9 committee's questions during that portion of the
10 meeting.

11 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you very much.

12 We'll now proceed with the FDA presentation
13 from -- [inaudible - audio lost].

14 DR. YU: Dr. Hoffman, are you still there?

15 DR. HOFFMAN: Sorry. I cut off there.

16 Sorry.

17 DR. YU: Okay. Can you hear us now?

18 DR. HOFFMAN: Yes. Thank you.

19 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: Thank you,

20 Dr. Hoffman.

21 **FDA Presentation - Laleh Amiri-Kordestani**

22 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: Good afternoon,

1 Chairman and members of the committee. My name is
2 Laleh Amiri-Kordestani. I am a hematologist/
3 oncologist at the FDA. Today I will present FDA's
4 perspective on the accelerated approval of
5 atezolizumab in combination with paclitaxel
6 protein-bound, or nab-paclitaxel, for the
7 first-line treatment of patients with PD-L1
8 positive metastatic triple- negative breast cancer
9 that was submitted by Genentech, who I will refer
10 to as the applicant for the rest of the
11 presentation.

12 Here is the outline of my talk. I will
13 first summarize the key FDA concerns for this
14 accelerated approval; then I will explain the
15 regulatory history of the initial accelerated
16 approval of atezolizumab in combination with
17 nab-paclitaxel, including the trial results that
18 led to this approval and the trial that was
19 designated to confirm the benefit.

20 Then I will review the treatment landscape
21 of patients with metastatic triple-negative breast
22 cancer and will conclude my presentation with the

1 voting question.

2 Should the indication for atezolizumab in
3 combination with nab-paclitaxel for the treatment
4 of adult patients with unresectable locally
5 advanced, or metastatic triple-negative breast
6 cancer, whose tumors are PD-L1 positive, be
7 maintained on the market while additional trials
8 are conducted or completed? If your answer is yes,
9 please discuss after the vote what ongoing or
10 alternative trials may serve to confirm clinical
11 benefit.

12 The following are the key FDA concerns for
13 this accelerated approval. First, there is
14 uncertainty regarding the efficacy of atezolizumab
15 in combination with nab-paclitaxel for the
16 treatment of patients with PD-L1 positive
17 triple-negative breast cancer.

18 The improvement of median PFS in the PD-L1
19 positive population was modest, and the overall
20 survival results in the PD-L1 positive subgroup did
21 not reach statistical significance. The observed
22 7-and-a-half month difference may be due to chance

1 alone.

2 Additionally, the benefit was not confirmed
3 in the confirmatory IMpassion131 trial that
4 enrolled a very similar population, and the
5 apparent possible detriment in overall survival in
6 this trial is concerning. Therefore, the benefit
7 of atezolizumab has not being verified.

8 In March 2019, atezolizumab in combination
9 with nab-paclitaxel was granted an accelerated
10 approval based on the IMpassion130 trial results.
11 Last year, the results of the confirmatory trial
12 IMpassion131 were reported, which did not confirm
13 the clinical benefit in this population. Due to
14 the concerning overall survival results of this
15 study, a safety alert was issued and the label was
16 updated.

17 The IMpassion130 trial results were the
18 basis of the initial accelerated approval. The
19 trial was a multicenter, international,
20 double-blind, placebo-controlled, randomized study
21 that enrolled 102 patients that had not received
22 prior chemotherapy for metastatic disease.

1 Patients were randomized 1 to 1 to receive either
2 atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel or placebo plus
3 nab-paclitaxel. The primary endpoints of the trial
4 were investigator-assessed, progression-free
5 survival and overall survival, first to be tested
6 in the intention-to-treat population and then in
7 the PD-L1 positive patient population.

8 The efficacy results of IMpassion130 are
9 shown here. This trial demonstrated a
10 statistically significant difference in PFS in the
11 ITT and PD-L1 positive populations. The
12 improvement of INV-PFS in the ITT was only
13 1-and-a-half months, and in the PD-L1 positive
14 population, it was 2.6 months. At both interim
15 analysis 1 and 2, the overall survival results did
16 not cross the prespecified efficacy boundaries and
17 were immature and considered unreliable.

18 Safety results are not shown, but the safety
19 review of IMpassion130 did not identify new safety
20 signals and was acceptable for this patient
21 population. While a statistically significant
22 difference was seen for investigator-assessed

1 progression-free survival for the patients with
2 PD-L1 positive tumors, the magnitude of improvement
3 in median PFS, with the addition of atezolizumab to
4 nab-paclitaxel, was small.

5 In addition, overall survival results for
6 the ITT patient population at both the first and
7 second interim analyses did not meet statistical
8 significance. Based on hierarchical and
9 statistical testing, the overall survival results
10 of the PD-L1 positive patient population would be
11 considered exploratory.

12 Therefore, more confidence was needed to
13 show that the PFS results are reproducible and
14 likely to predict clinical benefit for the use of
15 atezolizumab in the intended patient population.
16 Thus, atezolizumab in combination with
17 nab-paclitaxel was granted accelerated approval as
18 opposed to a regular approval.

19 As you heard earlier from Dr. Beaver's talk,
20 a confirmatory trial may be required to confirm the
21 drug's clinical benefit. At the time of approval,
22 there were two potential avenues to confirm the

1 clinical benefit. The first was a statistically
2 significant and clinically meaningful final overall
3 survival from the same trial. The other was a
4 positive result from another ongoing trial, the
5 IMpassion131 trial. This study was designated as a
6 confirmatory trial to confirm the benefit.

7 Last year, the final overall survival
8 results of IMpassion130 were recorded. The
9 prespecified final OS analysis did not reach
10 statistical significance in the ITT population.
11 Therefore, the difference in overall survival
12 between the atezolizumab arm and the placebo arm in
13 the PD-L1 positive population could not be formally
14 tested.

15 Although a 7-and-a-half-month improvement in
16 median OS in the atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel
17 arm concurred with the placebo, plus the
18 nab-paclitaxel arm was noted in the PD-L1 positive
19 population, this was not statistically significant.
20 Therefore, the final overall survival results from
21 this PD-L1 positive population are considered
22 exploratory and hypothesis-generating only, and

1 these results are not able to confirm the clinical
2 benefit.

3 As mentioned earlier, the IMpassion131 trial
4 was an ongoing study that was designated as one of
5 the ways of confirmation of benefit. This trial
6 was a multicenter, international, double-blind,
7 placebo-controlled, randomized trial that enrolled
8 651 patients that have now received prior
9 chemotherapy for metastatic disease. Patients were
10 randomized 2 to 1 to receive atezolizumab plus
11 paclitaxel or placebo plus paclitaxel.

12 A primary endpoint for PFS as assessed by
13 the investigator evaluated first in the PD-L1
14 positive population, then in the ITT population.
15 Note that the patient population enrolled in this
16 study was very similar to IMpassion130. However,
17 the backbone chemotherapy was paclitaxel and not
18 the same as the chemotherapy backbone in the
19 IMpassion130 trial.

20 In July last year, the applicant informed
21 the FDA that IMpassion131 did not meet its primary
22 analysis for PFS, and the first interim analysis of

1 OS from IMpassion131 showed a hazard ratio of 1.55,
2 favoring the placebo in combination with the
3 paclitaxel arm, with a data cutoff of November 15,
4 2019.

5 FDA issued a safety alert, informing the
6 healthcare professionals, investigators, and
7 patients that a clinical trial studying the use of
8 atezolizumab and paclitaxel in first-line
9 metastatic triple-negative breast cancer showed
10 this drug combination did not work, and potentially
11 patients had a worse overall survival.

12 Later, the FDA approved a new label and
13 added a warning and precaution for an increase in
14 the risk of death and a limitation of use, stating
15 that atezolizumab is not indicated for use in
16 combination with paclitaxel. Subsequently, the
17 final results of IMpassion131 were recorded. The
18 primary analyses did not demonstrate a
19 statistically significant improvement in
20 investigator-assessed PFS for atezolizumab plus
21 paclitaxel compared with placebo plus paclitaxel in
22 the PD-L1 positive population.

1 Although no [indiscernible] remains to test
2 the additional endpoints of PFS in the ITT
3 population and overall survival, an exploratory
4 analyses of overall survival in the PD-L1 positive
5 population showed a median OS for atezolizumab in
6 combination with the paclitaxel arm of 22.1 months
7 and 28.3 months in the control arm, corresponding
8 to a hazard ratio of 1.11, favoring the placebo
9 plus paclitaxel arm.

10 The efficacy results of the IMpassion130 and
11 IMpassion131 trials are summarized here. The
12 Kaplan-Meier curves of the PFS and OS results of
13 IMpassion130 are on the top and IMpassion131 are on
14 the bottom. Of note, only PFS results, shown in
15 the upper left, for IMpassion130 is statistically
16 significant.

17 The applicant and the FDA review teams have
18 evaluated the differences between IMpassion130 and
19 IMpassion131 trials. One hypothesis is that the
20 difference in the outcome can potentially be
21 explained by the differences in the chemotherapy
22 backbone and/or differential use of corticosteroids

1 in these trials. However, other checkpoint
2 inhibitors have been combined with paclitaxel, and
3 they have even demonstrated overall survival
4 advantage. Therefore, the use of paclitaxel or
5 corticosteroids cannot be accounted for the overall
6 differences in the outcome of these trials.

7 Earlier you heard from Dr. Beaver's talk
8 that an important factor for consideration for
9 accelerated approval is having an unmet medical
10 need and the efficacy of the drug compared to
11 available therapy. If a trial has not confirmed
12 benefit, before additional confirmatory trials are
13 considered, the current unmet medical need and
14 drugs that constitute available therapy should be
15 reassessed to determine if the condition for
16 accelerated approval still exists.

17 The current treatment landscape for
18 first-line treatment of metastatic triple-negative
19 breast cancer is summarized on this slide.
20 Although pembrolizumab has received accelerated
21 approval for a similar indication, it is not
22 considered available therapy by FDA given the

1 approval is under accelerated approval and the
2 benefit remains to be confirmed. Therefore, since
3 the initial approval of atezolizumab in combination
4 with nab-paclitaxel, the available therapies have
5 not changed, and the treatment landscape has not
6 evolved.

7 Dr. Beaver discussed earlier that FDA
8 appreciates when a clinical trial does not meet its
9 endpoint and it does not necessarily mean that the
10 drug is not effective. When an unmet medical need
11 still exists, FDA can work with the applicant to
12 identify subsequent clinical trials to satisfy the
13 accelerated approval requirements.

14 The applicant has proposed other alternative
15 trials to confirm the atezolizumab benefit in this
16 patient population. The IMpassion132 trial is
17 conducted in the same metastatic setting, however,
18 the patient population and those in the trial is at
19 slightly higher risk than those enrolled in
20 IMpassion130.

21 The patients enrolled in IMpassion130
22 relapsed anytime after first-line treatment for

1 advanced or metastatic disease compared to patients
2 enrolling in IMpassion132, who must have relapsed
3 within 12 months of treatment for advanced or
4 metastatic disease. Additionally, the chemotherapy
5 given in combination with atezolizumab in
6 IMpassion132 is different from IMpassion130. In
7 IMpassion132, atezolizumab is combined either with
8 gemcitabine plus carboplatin or capecitabine. This
9 trial's results are expected in 2023.

10 Another proposed confirmatory trial is
11 IMpassion030. This trial is an adjuvant trial.
12 You've heard from Dr. Beaver's talk that the
13 confirmatory trial can be performed in an earlier
14 disease setting rather than in the identical
15 indication approved under accelerated approval.
16 This promotes further drug development and also
17 reduces patient accrual challenges to trials
18 evaluating an indication that has already been
19 approved under accelerated approval.

20 The use of paclitaxel backbone in
21 IMpassion031 may be problematic given the negative
22 results of IMpassion131 with paclitaxel

1 chemotherapy backbone, and this trial may not be
2 able to support the benefit of atezolizumab in
3 combination with nab-paclitaxel. This trial's
4 interim analysis results are expected in 2022, and
5 the final results are expected in 2024.

6 Another proposed confirmatory trial is the
7 NSABP B-59 trial. This trial is conducted in early
8 setting. The co-primary endpoints are pathological
9 complete response rates, or pCR, and event-free
10 survival in the all-comer population. Note that
11 pCR has not been established as an endpoint
12 indicator of clinical benefit due to uncertainty
13 regarding its relationship to event-free survival
14 and overall survival, which are considered
15 established endpoints of clinical benefit in early
16 setting.

17 Events of paclitaxel backbone in this trial
18 also may be problematic given the negative results
19 of IMpassion131 with paclitaxel chemotherapy
20 backbone. Therefore, the results of this trial may
21 not be able to support the benefit of atezolizumab
22 in combination with nab-paclitaxel in the PD-L1

1 positive population. This trial's primary
2 completion is expected in 2023.

3 Another ongoing trial is IMpassion031. This
4 trial is conducted in an neoadjuvant setting. The
5 co-primary endpoints are pCR in the ITT population
6 and pCR in the PD-L1 positive population. This
7 trial is not powered to show a difference in
8 event-free survival or overall survival in either
9 population.

10 The results from this trial were reported
11 and showed a statistically significant pCR
12 improvement in the ITT population, however, the pCR
13 improvement in the PD-L1 positive population was
14 not statistically significant. Atezolizumab
15 accelerated approval is only in the PD-L1 positive
16 population. This trial's long-term endpoint
17 results are expected in 2022.

18 In conclusion, there is uncertainty
19 regarding the efficacy of atezolizumab in
20 combination with nab-paclitaxel for the treatment
21 of patients with PD-L1 positive triple-negative
22 breast cancer. The PFS improvement in the PD-L1

1 positive population was modest, as the improvement
2 of median PFS in the all-comer population was only
3 1-and-a-half months, and in the PD-L1 population,
4 it was 2.6 months.

5 Additionally, the overall survival results
6 in the ITT and PD-L1 positive subgroups did not
7 reach statistical significance, and the observed
8 7-and-a-half month difference in the PD-L1 positive
9 subgroup may be due to chance alone. Subsequently,
10 the benefit was not confirmed in the confirmatory
11 IMpassion131 trial that enrolled a very similar
12 population, and a very possible detriment in
13 overall survival in this trial is very concerning.

14 Of note, the pCR results from IMpassion131
15 in the PD-L1 positive population was not
16 statistically significant, and these results are in
17 contrast to the metastatic IMpassion130 trial
18 results, where the benefit was mainly seen in the
19 PD-L1 positive subgroup. However, since the
20 initial accelerated approval of atezolizumab for
21 triple-negative breast cancer, there remains an
22 unmet medical need, as the available therapies are

1 unchanged.

2 Given the accelerated approval was based on
3 a small PFS improvement with non-significant
4 overall survival and the benefit was not verified
5 in the confirmatory trial in the same disease
6 setting, and a possible detriment in the overall
7 survival seen in the confirmatory trial, should the
8 indication for atezolizumab in combination with
9 nab-paclitaxel for the treatment of adult patients
10 with unresectable locally advanced or metastatic
11 triple-negative breast cancer, whose tumors are
12 PD-L1 positive, be maintained on the market while
13 additional trials are conducted or completed?

14 If your answer is yes, please discuss after
15 the vote what ongoing or alternative trials may
16 serve to confirm clinical benefit. Thank you for
17 your attention.

18 **Clarifying Questions to Presenters**

19 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

20 We will now take clarifying questions for
21 the presenters, both Genentech, Incorporated, and
22 the FDA. Please use the raised-hand icon to

1 indicate that you have a question, and remember to
2 clear the icon after you have asked your question.
3 When acknowledged, please remember to state your
4 name for the record before you speak and direct
5 your question to a specific presenter if you can.
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7 please let us know the slide number, if possible.

8 Finally, it would be helpful to acknowledge
9 the end of your question with a thank you, and end
10 of your follow-up question with, "That is all for
11 my questions," so that we can move on to the next
12 panel member. Thanks.

13 Dr. Ellis, do you want to start?

14 DR. ELLIS: Yes. Hi. Thank you. That was
15 a very interesting set of data sets, but somewhat
16 confusing, obviously. My first question is for
17 Dr. Chui.

18 Obviously, these trials are done in many
19 countries around the world with highly, probably
20 variable, quality of the ER/PR HER2 testing. What
21 confidence do you have that you're really treating
22 triple-negative breast cancer in these many

1 countries?

2 For the specific question, I know you did
3 central PD-L1 testing, but did you do central ER/PR
4 in HER2 testing to be sure that you're actually
5 targeting the correct population around the world?

6 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Ellis, this is Charlie
7 Fuchs. I'll turn to Dr. Chui to answer that
8 question.

9 DR. CHUI: This is Steve Chui from
10 Genentech. For the IMpassion130 study, eligibility
11 for the study was triple-negative breast cancer
12 ER/PR HER2 negative, according to local laboratory
13 testing. We did actually perform central testing
14 on these samples as a sensitivity analysis. We do
15 not see any difference in the efficacy outcomes for
16 patients, whether they're confirmed as being triple
17 negative, according to ASCO/CAP, centrally versus
18 locally.

19 DR. ELLIS: I have a follow-up question with
20 respect to that. But the confusing result is the
21 131 result, with some older results with respect to
22 the behaviors of the placebo arm, which you pointed

1 out. If the placebo arm is doing better than
2 expected, that might suggest contamination with
3 less aggressive forms of breast cancer.

4 So the next question is, did you do the same
5 central testing for IMPassion131?

6 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Ellis, thank you, because we
7 also recognize that disparity in the performance of
8 the control arm in 131. Let me turn to Dr. Chui to
9 answer your question.

10 DR. CHUI: Steve Chui from Genentech. Yes,
11 we also performed central testing of the majority
12 of the patients on IMPassion131, in addition to
13 local testing. Over 95 percent of the patients did
14 have central local testing performed.

15 We have similar results that we saw from
16 IMPassion130, and no difference in the efficacy
17 outcomes that we see, or the safety for that
18 matter, regardless of whether the patients were
19 centrally confirmed as being triple-negative breast
20 cancer by ASCO/CAP or not.

21 DR. ELLIS: So no imbalance in ER/PR HER2
22 status on the two arms of IMPassion131?

1 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Chui?

2 DR. CHUI: Steve Chui, Genentech.

3 No, we did not see anything like that.

4 DR. ELLIS: Thank you. I have one final
5 question, and it's a question of the practicality.
6 I think, obviously, the right confirmatory trial
7 would be in patients who had triple-negative breast
8 cancer aligned with central testing showing
9 positive PD-L1 status and repeating the
10 randomization.

11 You made some comments about the
12 impracticality of that, which of course I'm
13 sympathetic to, but on the other hand, you also
14 made the comment that nab-paclitaxel is not
15 available in many countries around the world, which
16 means the combination of atezolizumab and
17 nab-paclitaxel is not available in many countries
18 around the world. And those countries would be
19 places where you could actually conduct such a
20 trial. Of course, there wouldn't be regular
21 availability of atezolizumab.

22 Have I misunderstood something or is that

1 actually the case?

2 DR. CHUI: Well, Dr. Ellis, we agree that
3 the ideal confirmatory trial would be to repeat the
4 130 trial. And the issue is, as you rightly point
5 out, that the regimen, the combination, is approved
6 in 89 countries around the globe; 86 are full
7 approval.

8 There are some countries where it is not
9 approved and perhaps where nab-paclitaxel is not
10 available. But I think what we've learned in our
11 discussions with physicians and patient groups is
12 there is a reluctance to participate in those
13 countries basically because of the inclusion of the
14 atezo/nab-paclitaxel combination in global clinical
15 practice guidelines, as well as the fact that
16 they're uncomfortable having patients participate
17 where there's a chemo-only arm in PD-L1 positive,
18 triple-negative breast cancer.

19 That said, we certainly want to work with
20 the agency in coming up with the ideal confirmatory
21 trial and want to ultimately confirm the benefit
22 that we're seeing in 130, either through that or

1 through the other studies that you've heard about,
2 namely 132, B-59, and 030.

3 DR. ELLIS: Thank you very much. They were
4 my three questions.

5 DR. HOFFMAN: Dr. Montero?

6 DR. MONTERO: Hello. Thank you for a very
7 informative presentation. I had a question for
8 Dr. Chui from Genentech regarding, if the FDA
9 allowed the accelerated approval indication to
10 stand, contingent on IMpassion132 results, is it in
11 2023 that you would expect the results from that
12 study to mature?

13 DR. FUCHS: This is Charlie Fuchs. Let me
14 just confirm with Dr. Chui on the date for maturity
15 for IMpassion132.

16 Dr. Chui?

17 DR. CHUI: Hi. Steve Chui from Genentech.
18 IMpassion132 is an ongoing enrolling study. The
19 date of 2023 is a projection based on anticipated
20 enrollment, and of course the endpoint survival and
21 event-driven survival. But 2023 is our best guess
22 at this point.

1 DR. MONTERO: Thank you very much.

2 A follow-up question to that is if those
3 results are also negative, assuming that the
4 accelerated approval indication would stand, how
5 would Genentech's position change regarding
6 Impassion130's results?

7 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Montero, I think for
8 starters, I think we all agree, including the FDA,
9 that there continues to be an important unmet need
10 for patients with advanced triple-negative breast
11 cancer given the outcome we see with chemotherapy
12 alone. We're committed to working with the FDA to
13 arrive at an appropriate confirmatory trial.

14 What you've heard are the updated data from
15 130, which show a benefit in PFS and what we think
16 is an improvement in OS, which is clinically
17 meaningful in PD-L1 positive patients. It's
18 difficult to predict what the outcome will be from
19 the confirmatory trials until we decide what the
20 confirmatory trials are. But regardless of what
21 the trials are, once the outcome is available,
22 we're committed to informing that immediately with

1 the FDA, the scientific community, the patient
2 community, and arriving at what is ultimately best
3 for patients, and we're committed to doing that.

4 DR. MONTERO: Thank you, Dr. Fuchs.

5 I had one other question for Dr. Fuchs
6 regarding using the early-stage trials as a
7 possible confirmatory. My question really relates
8 to, using early-stage trials to support late-stage
9 trials ignores many examples where a benefit in one
10 didn't really translate into a benefit in another;
11 for example, bevacizumab as adjuvant therapy in
12 colorectal cancer not being beneficial even though
13 beneficial in the metastatic setting, or
14 bevacizumab in triple-negative breast cancer.

15 Why does Genentech think that that would be
16 a good analogous trial for confirmation of 130's
17 results?

18 DR. FUCHS: Well, I'm glad you asked the
19 question because we think that the early trials do
20 provide a means for confirmation, and just a few
21 points that I just wanted to address in your
22 question. One is the idea of using an early-stage

1 trial. The other that came up with the FDA is
2 including all-comers as opposed to PD-L1 positive.
3 Then lastly is related to paclitaxel, and then
4 obviously more specifically your question.

5 Let me just start on the front of using
6 early-disease trials. We've heard from Dr. Beaver,
7 as well as from Dr. Beaver and Dr. Pazdur and their
8 perspective in the New England Journal, that
9 confirmatory trials have been performed in
10 early-stage disease settings to confirm an
11 accelerated approval. That allows the potential
12 important advances to be extended to early stages
13 and, as well, overcomes the issues of accrual when
14 there's already an accelerated approval in the late
15 stage.

16 We think that there would be benefit in that
17 setting and frankly, IMpassion031 shows that there
18 is an improvement in pathologic complete response
19 with the combination of atezolizumab and
20 chemotherapy.

21 The second consideration that I think we
22 have to recognize in early disease settings is

1 these trials are looking at all-comers as opposed
2 to PD-L1 positive patients. But in that front, I
3 think emerging data is that in breast cancer, early
4 and late cancers differ in terms of the
5 tumor-immune microenvironment. Specifically,
6 studies like 031 show that the benefit of
7 atezolizumab appears to be independent of PD-L1
8 positive expression. It's not a marker.

9 And frankly, with regard to pembrolizumab,
10 another checkpoint inhibitor, there are studies as
11 well that show where the benefit is best in
12 metastatic disease that are PD-L1 positive. Their
13 neoadjuvant study 522 showed that it was
14 irrespective of PD-L1 positive. So we think on
15 that front, the use of all-comers is appropriate
16 and reasonable confirmation.

17 The third point that I think we want to talk
18 about in early-stage settings is the fact that
19 paclitaxel is included in the trials, namely 030
20 and B-59. But there, I think as we're hearing,
21 we're trying to make sense of 130 and 131 with
22 regard to the use of somewhat similar chemotherapy

1 backgrounds but discrepant results.

2 What we can learn I think from those trials
3 is, what is the utility of the combination of atezo
4 and paclitaxel? And it should be mentioned that in
5 both of those early-disease trials, 030 and B-59,
6 there are ongoing independent data safety
7 monitoring committees that are aware of 131 and are
8 still recommending continuation of those studies.

9 So really to answer your question, given the
10 data for atezolizumab from 031 and these other
11 points, I think that the early studies would be a
12 reasonable opportunity to confirm the accelerated
13 approval and the benefits seen in 130.

14 DR. MONTERO: Thank you. I have no further
15 questions.

16 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. I have a question.
17 This is Philip Hoffman. Maybe this is very
18 elementary, but if the title of the original
19 protocol, 130, was to atezolizumab and
20 nab-paclitaxel in patients with PD-L1 positive, at
21 least 1 percent, I'm confused then between what is
22 the intent-to-treat population versus the PD-L1

1 positive population.

2 Wasn't PD-L1 positivity the entry point to
3 get into the trial?

4 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Hoffman, are you asking
5 about IMPassion130?

6 DR. HOFFMAN: Yes.

7 DR. FUCHS: Sure.

8 Dr. Chui, would you be able to answer that
9 question for Dr. Hoffman?

10 DR. CHUI: This is Steve Chui from
11 Genentech. So to clarify, IMPassion130 enrolled an
12 all-comer population based upon a hypothesis that
13 adding chemotherapy to atezolizumab would extend
14 the benefits of cancer immunotherapy to a true
15 all-comer population, including the PD-L1 negative
16 patients.

17 The study was set up and designed to address
18 the benefits of atezolizumab in both the intent to
19 treat, the all-comer population, and the PD-L1
20 positive population. The benefit we saw was in the
21 PD-L1 positive population, and that's where our
22 label stands right now.

1 DR. HOFFMAN: Alright. I'm sorry. I was
2 under the impression that the original protocol
3 required at least 1 percent, but you've clarified
4 that.

5 DR. HOFFMAN: Dr. Lieu?

6 DR. LIEU: Hi. This is Chris Lieu. This
7 question is for Dr. Fuchs and Chui from Genentech,
8 just to follow along with Dr. Ellis' question along
9 the difference in the chemotherapy-only arms for
10 both 130 and 131 in terms of their overall survival
11 difference, which is, obviously, significant as to
12 what's discussed.

13 Is there any data in regards to future lines
14 of therapy or lines of therapy received following
15 the study treatment?

16 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Lieu, let me turn to
17 Dr. Chui to answer your question about post-study
18 treatment.

19 Dr. Chui?

20 DR. CHUI: Hi. This is Steve Chui from
21 Genentech. We did collect the later-line therapies
22 that were received by patients who participated in

1 both IMPassion130 and IMPassion131, and what we see
2 in both of these studies is that later-line
3 therapies are actually very nicely balanced,
4 regardless of which arm the patients were enrolled
5 to.

6 DR. LIEU: Thank you. My last question is
7 in regards to the reason for the difference seen
8 between 130 and 131 in regards to -- I understand
9 that you're suggesting that this is multifactorial,
10 but is there a leading hypothesis from Genentech's
11 side in regards to whether biologically there's a
12 mechanism of difference in terms of immunotherapies
13 interaction with Abraxane versus paclitaxel? Or
14 you had mentioned the use of steroids in 131 versus
15 130, and then obviously differences in patient
16 population and regional differences.

17 Is there an overarching hypothesis from
18 Genentech or is there an assumption that it's just
19 a combination of multiple factors?

20 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Lieu, as Dr. Chui shared
21 with you, we've looked across all potential
22 differences between IMPassion130 and 131, and what

1 we see is there are multiple differences, although
2 it's difficult to account which of them could
3 explain the disparity. That is why 130
4 demonstrates a benefit and 131 does not confirm
5 that benefit.

6 Ultimately, our conclusion is that it's
7 difficult to arrive at which one could do it.
8 Perhaps it's a combination; and also recognizing
9 that the median overall survival noted in 131 at
10 28 months is different than what is typically seen
11 in the context of chemotherapy only for
12 triple-negative breast cancer, which has
13 historically been in the 12-to-18-month range.

14 Let me also, if I may, turn to Dr. Brufsky,
15 one of our colleagues here who's obviously an
16 expert in this field, just to see if he has any
17 additional thoughts.

18 Dr. Brufsky?

19 DR. BRUFKY: Dr. Fuchs, thanks for inviting
20 me, and again, thanks to the committee for having
21 me and Dr. Telli. I think that the 28-month
22 overall survival seen I suspect may or may not be

1 unstable. It's the longest overall survival we've
2 ever seen in any control arm in triple-negative
3 breast cancer, as far as I know. I think that
4 really is a mystery. I think everybody's trying to
5 figure that out, and I think everybody is
6 appropriately focused in on it.

7 DR. LIEU: Thank you. I have no further
8 questions.

9 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Dr. Lipkowitz?

10 DR. LIPKOWITZ: Thank you. Thank you, both
11 the FDA and Genentech, for very informative
12 presentations. I do have a question that follows
13 on from Matt Ellis' question about the subtyping.

14 Triple-negative disease is not a disease;
15 it's a combination of several different subtypes of
16 breast cancer, some of which behave better than
17 others. Has any effort been made -- this is
18 obviously for Genentech -- to look at the subtyping
19 in the two studies to see if the difference was due
20 to an imbalance in the type of triple-negative
21 breast cancer?

22 DR. FUCHS: Well, Dr. Lipkowitz, let me turn

1 to Dr. Chui to answer your question.

2 Dr. Chui?

3 DR. CHUI: Hi. Steve Chui from Genentech.

4 I assume you're talking about genomic subtyping of
5 the triple-negative breast cancer, and that's how
6 I'll answer this question.

7 We have been performing genomic subtyping of
8 samples from IMPassion130. We still have underway
9 this analysis from IMPassion131, so we are unable
10 at this time to provide information regarding
11 genomic subtype of the cancers enrolled on these
12 studies and whether this might have contributed to
13 the difference in efficacy outcomes.

14 DR. LIPKOWITZ: Generally, it would be
15 transcriptome and genome that would classify the
16 different types of triple-negative breast cancer,
17 but thank you.

18 A question for the FDA and for
19 Dr. Amiri-Kordestani is we've heard on a number of
20 occasions that the confirmatory study doesn't have
21 to include the same drugs, but then we have a
22 glaring example here of a confirmatory study using

1 a different drug, which has left us scratching our
2 heads.

3 How strongly does the FDA feel about that?
4 Because if the drug matters, if paclitaxel versus
5 nab-paclitaxel makes a difference, how comfortable
6 would we be saying, well, using gemcitabine and
7 carboplatin confirms the data then?

8 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: Thank you for the
9 question. We actually have seen other trials with
10 other checkpoint inhibitors that have used
11 paclitaxel as a backbone, and in fact they have
12 shown overall survival advantage. At least our
13 understanding is that the use of paclitaxel or
14 [indiscernible] is not the reason that the
15 IMPassion131 trial did not meet its endpoint.

16 The other thing that I want to comment is
17 that, as you know, this trial was a very large
18 randomized trial, so the possible heterogeneity in
19 the triple-negative breast cancer, the
20 randomization, should basically take care of that.
21 So we also don't think that it's going to
22 address -- you know, be the reason.

1 We have accepted postmarketing in other
2 trials with different backbones in different
3 settings as a PMR for other drugs, and this is
4 really because we like to actually, with other
5 trials, enroll patients and also ask new questions.
6 But I understand the challenge here, that we're
7 really puzzled that one trial has met the primary
8 endpoint, but the PFS benefit was modest. But the
9 other trial basically not only doesn't show any
10 benefit in PFS, but also there is a possibility of
11 detriment in overall survival.

12 That's why we're putting these trials
13 together, and we are looking at the totality of the
14 evidence, and we actually look at the benefit-risk
15 assessment. So you can think if this trial has
16 first -- actually, if we had this trial's results
17 first and then we had the IMPassion130 trial
18 results, that would have been a different scenario,
19 right?

20 But I think now, basically, we're in the
21 scenario that we had that initial trial with the
22 modest PFS improvement and less benefit, which was

1 not confirmed in the final overall survival, and
2 this other trial was with a very similar population
3 and similar chemotherapy. We have looked at
4 multiple factors, our team and Genentech's team,
5 and we have not identified any particular reason
6 why the second trial failed. One of the trials,
7 the results may be due to chance alone, really, so
8 it's just a question of which one of these.

9 DR. LIPKOWITZ: Thank you. That's my only
10 question. Thank you.

11 DR. HOFFMAN: Dr. Burstein?

12 DR. BURSTEIN: Thank you, and thanks to the
13 presenters. My first question is to
14 Dr. Amiri-Kordestani.

15 A couple of years ago, the FDA gave full
16 approval to alpelisib, a tyrosine kinase inhibitor
17 targeting PIK3CA based on the SOLAR-1 trial, a
18 randomized study in a PIK3Ca mutant population,
19 showing a progression-free survival endpoint
20 benefit. That study was around a 340-person
21 randomized trial. There were no overall survival
22 data available at the time of the approval.

1 Subsequently, reports indicate there is no overall
2 survival benefit.

3 So my question is, why in that instance
4 would you advise a full approval, or give a full
5 approval, when this study came forward,
6 IMPassion130, and it was said to be an accelerated
7 approval in a molecularly-defined or a
8 cellularly-defined cohort, which had essentially
9 the same size of the test population as was seen,
10 for instance, in the targeted therapy with SOLAR-1,
11 and in that subset was already showing a survival
12 benefit?

13 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: Are you asking why
14 one drug got full approval versus atezolizumab in
15 combination with Abraxane got accelerated
16 approval --

17 DR. BURSTEIN: Yes. I guess sort of the
18 thinking on --

19 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: -- based on why, for
20 example, progression-free survival for one trial
21 can be used for regular approval, versus in another
22 setting we can actually only give an accelerated

1 approval?

2 Actually, I think, as I stated earlier, in
3 general, we just look at the amount of data that we
4 have at the time of the review of the application
5 and the uncertainties about the benefit-risk
6 assessment. If the benefit is modest and there are
7 associated toxicities and also, basically, for
8 example, we are uncertain about the benefit for the
9 patient, then that constitutes an accelerated
10 approval.

11 So it's really not the question of the use
12 of endpoints; it's just we look at the totality of
13 the evidence and the benefit-risk assessment.

14 I don't know if anyone else -- maybe
15 Dr. Beaver can actually add some comments.

16 DR. BEAVER: Sure. Hi. This is Julia
17 Beaver. Yes, so we are able to use progression-
18 free survival as an endpoint to recommend an
19 accelerated approval in some cases or a regular
20 approval, as Dr. Amiri said. And it very much
21 depends on our clinical review of the trial,
22 including the magnitude of the results.

1 In the case that Dr. Amiri described for
2 atezolizumab, the progression-free survival
3 difference was quite small in an add-on trial. We
4 also look at the safety data and the general
5 disease setting as well.

6 Whenever we evaluate progression-free
7 survival as an endpoint for either accelerated
8 approval or regular approval, we always look also
9 at the overall survival benefit to make sure
10 there's not a detriment in survival. So if we were
11 to grant a progression-free survival approval, be
12 it accelerated or regular, we would want to make
13 sure there was no detriment in overall survival.

14 We are able to use progression-free survival
15 as a regular approval endpoint in certain scenarios
16 and do not require overall survival benefit in
17 those as long as there's not a decrease in overall
18 survival.

19 DR. BURSTEIN: Thank you.

20 DR. BEAVER: Thank you.

21 DR. BURSTEIN: I guess my second question
22 could go to either the FDA analytics or to the

1 Genentech team.

2 Essentially, the argument that 130, the
3 subset of PD-L1 positive does not show a
4 statistically significant survival benefit, as I
5 understand in lay statistical terms, we sort of ran
6 out of power or ran out of analytic capacity, if
7 you will, to do a formal test for survival in that
8 subset, given all the previous analyses and the
9 hierarchical testing.

10 Having said that, there is a reported
11 p-value in the briefing materials, and it would
12 look to the casual eye to be highly statistically
13 significant. It is arguably clinically
14 significant. And I'm wondering if a sensitivity
15 analysis has been done to see how wrong would this
16 have to be to infer that there is no true survival
17 benefit for atezo in first line with
18 nab-paclitaxel.

19 DR. HOFFMAN: Who is that directed to?

20 DR. BURSTEIN: Well, if either the FDA
21 review team did a statistical sensitivity analysis
22 or if the Genentech team has done something like

1 that.

2 (No response.)

3 DR. BURSTEIN: Charlie, do you have an
4 answer?

5 DR. FUCHS: Sorry, Dr. Burstein.

6 Let me turn to Dr. Berge regarding your
7 question about the probability of the finding for
8 the improved overall survival in patients with
9 PD-L1 positive.

10 DR. BERGE: Claude Berge, Genentech. As you
11 have perfectly highlighted, and what we have
12 discussed during the presentation, we were not able
13 to do a formal testing in the PD-L1 positive
14 population due to the hierarchical testing. So
15 unfortunately we have spanned all the
16 [indiscernible] of ITT population, and because it
17 was not significant, we were not able to formally
18 test overall survival in the PD-L1 positive
19 population.

20 However, we have done not sensitivity
21 analysis maybe as you expect, but we wanted first
22 to assess if we have a difference between PD-L1

1 positive and PD-L1 negative, and to assess this, we
2 have done an interaction test between the treatment
3 and the PD-L1 status for overall survival, and we
4 observed a small p-value significant at 5 percent
5 for this interaction, which means that we have a
6 different effect between PD-L1 positive and PD-L1
7 negative.

8 If you refer to the p-value that you have
9 observed in the PD-L1 positive population, even if
10 it's only descriptive, it shows you that with this
11 small p-value, in fact there is a low probability
12 that the difference that we have observed in the
13 PD-L1 positive population is due to chance. This
14 probability is about 0.16 percent.

15 So in fact these two exploratory analyses
16 support the clinically meaningful benefit that we
17 have observed in overall survival. I hope it will
18 answer your question.

19 DR. BURSTEIN: I think that's helpful.
20 Thank you.

21 Then my final question would be for the
22 Genentech team. Several others have already asked

1 about trying to understand the difference between
2 130 and 131. The dichotomous cutpoint for PD-L1
3 expression of the 1 percent IC score, was there a
4 difference in the distribution of those results
5 that might account for this? If you set a
6 different cutpoint, do the data shift in some way,
7 or is that known?

8 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Burstein, let me turn to
9 Dr. Chui to answer your question.

10 Dr. Chui?

11 (No response.)

12 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Chui?

13 DR. CHUI: Apologies. I was just cut off
14 from the audio. Could you repeat the question,
15 please?

16 DR. BURSTEIN: Several have asked about
17 subsets that might account for -- or tumor testing
18 that might account for differences between 130 and
19 131, and my question was with regards to
20 definitions of PD-L1 positivity. Was there
21 different distribution of the levels beyond
22 1 percent?

1 In other studies of immunotherapy and breast
2 cancer, the threshold of PD-L1 expression,
3 variously defined, has certainly correlated with
4 potential benefit, and I'm wondering if that's part
5 of the story here.

6 DR. CHUI: Steve Chui, Genentech. We did
7 look at the expression of PD-L1 status and any
8 correlation it might have to the efficacy outcomes.
9 Actually, what we showed and what we
10 demonstrated -- and Dr. Emens presented this,
11 actually, previously in a conference -- is that the
12 benefit of atezo plus nab-paclitaxel, both PFS and
13 overall survival, is consistent regardless of
14 whether the tumors are so-called PD-L1 low or PD-L1
15 high.

16 So we do see that if the patients do have
17 tumors that are PD-L1 positive, that they have the
18 potential to derive efficacy benefit from treatment
19 with atezolizumab plus nab-paclitaxel.

20 DR. BURSTEIN: And there was nothing in your
21 analysis of 131 that would suggest that the
22 distribution of PD-L1 positivity was an explanation

1 for the lack of the benefit seen in the PD-L1
2 positive cohort?

3 DR. CHUI: No, we don't see anything along
4 those lines. No.

5 DR. BURSTEIN: Thank you. Those are my
6 questions.

7 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Why don't we --

8 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: Thank you.

9 The FDA statistician would also like to
10 comment. Thank you.

11 Erik?

12 DR. BLOOMQUIST: Sure. Hi. This is
13 Dr. Bloomquist, FDA statistician, just to reply a
14 little bit to the previous comment.

15 I think what there isn't mentioned here is
16 the multiple testing plan is typically prespecified
17 in this case. And what it does is when we do see
18 statistically significant findings, we are able to
19 infer them as, let's say, not being due to chance.

20 When the statistical target [indiscernible]
21 was defined here, I think Genentech and I, we both
22 agreed that there's no alpha left to test that

1 PD-L1 positive OS endpoint. And while we can sort
2 of use the comments of how long it would be, I
3 think in this case we both agree that we can't make
4 an inferential decision on that PD-L1 positive.
5 There simply was no alpha left to test. And if we
6 attempt to do that for that subgroup in a PD-L1
7 positive for OS, we may be making false positive
8 claims on 2.6 percent here.

9 So I think in this case, then, I believe
10 we're both in agreement that while it, let's say,
11 looks very positive, in this case we can't make an
12 inferential statement regarding the OS in PD-L1
13 positive. I hope that addresses the concerns.

14 DR. HOFFMAN: We're going to take a break
15 now. We will resume with the open public hearing.
16 And then we do know who still has their hands up
17 for clarifying questions, and we'll get to that
18 after the open public hearing. But first, we'll
19 take a break and reconvene at 3:08, almost
20 15 minutes. Thank you.

21 (Whereupon, at 2:54 p.m., a recess was
22 taken.)

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2 public hearing session

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13 hearing to be conducted in a fair and open way
14 where every participant is listened to carefully
15 and treated with dignity, courtesy, and respect.
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17 chairperson. Thank you for your cooperation.

18 DR. YU: Hi, Dr. Hoffman. I'm so sorry.
19 Could we take one brief pause? We want to make
20 sure the broadcast is available.

21 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay.

22 DR. YU: I'll let you know, and we can start

1 with the OPH once more. Thank you.

2 (Pause.)

3 DR. YU: Dr. Hoffman --

4 DR. HOFFMAN: Ready to start?

5 DR. YU: -- I apologize for that.

6 Yes. Please, could you read again opening
7 up the open public hearing session? I apologize
8 for that.

9 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay, so Section 10.

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7 now. Will speaker number 1 begin and introduce
8 yourself? Please state your name and any
9 organization you're representing for the record.

10 DR. ZUCKERMAN: I am Dr. Diana Zuckerman,
11 president of the National Center for Health
12 Research. Thanks so much. We're a non-profit
13 think tank that scrutinizes the safety and
14 effectiveness of medical products, and we don't
15 accept funding from companies that make those
16 products. I'm trained in statistics, clinical
17 trial design, epidemiology, and public health, and
18 was a faculty member and researcher at Yale and
19 Harvard, and I've also worked at HHS.

20 There's an unmet need for effective
21 treatments for triple-negative breast cancer, and
22 we agree with FDA that a randomized clinical trial

1 that evaluates overall survival is the best way to
2 determine if the benefits outweigh the risks.
3 That's important because this drug has substantial
4 risks.

5 We agree with Genentech that conducting a
6 randomized-controlled trial is difficult when a
7 drug is approved in other countries, but FDA grants
8 accelerated approval with requirements for
9 postmarket RCTs to evaluate overall survival to
10 confirm clinically meaningful benefit.

11 How could FDA continue to offer accelerated
12 approval if postmarket RCTs can't be done? And
13 given the co-pay requirements, aren't there cancer
14 patients who would welcome free treatments in a
15 clinical trial so that these studies could be
16 conducted here or in other countries?

17 So what are the study alternatives? It's
18 valuable to study patients who relapse within
19 12 months instead of after 12 months, but those are
20 different groups. Isn't that why they were studied
21 separately? Can a different study be used?
22 NSABT-B59 and IMPassion030 both include patients

1 that aren't PD-L1 status. Both use Taxol, a type
2 of chemo that when used in combination with
3 Tecentriq resulted in lower overall survival for
4 patients in IMPassion131.

5 Our analysis agrees with FDA that neither an
6 interventional, non-randomized, single-arm trial
7 nor real-world study can confirm benefit. And most
8 important, triple-negative breast cancer patients
9 deserve proven treatments. These patients were
10 rarely studied decades ago since triple negative
11 was relatively rare among white women.

12 As we all know, triple-negative breast
13 cancer is more common and apparently more lethal in
14 black women compared to white women, and yet black
15 women comprised only 6 percent of the patients in
16 IMPassion130 and only 5 percent in IMPassion131.
17 So the studies done so far are inadequate in
18 addition to not confirming the indication. That's
19 another reason why a new randomized-controlled
20 trial that includes a larger percentage of black
21 women is needed. All patients deserve to know if
22 there are meaningful benefits for them that

1 outweigh the meaningful risks.

2 We all want to give patients hope, real
3 hope, not false hope. FDA wants to help patients
4 get timely access to treatments, but as a public
5 health agency, FDA's first priority needs to be
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9 In conclusion, it doesn't help patients to
10 continue to approve a treatment that is not proven
11 to benefit them and is proven to harm many
12 patients, and that's why we support continued
13 research but not continued approval. Thanks very
14 much.

15 DR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

16 DR. YU: Thank you. This is Joyce. I'm so
17 sorry to interrupt. We are just confirming another
18 audio issue. I apologize for the inconvenience.

19 Dr. Hoffman, we'll let you know when we're
20 resuming with speaker number 2. Thank you.

21 (Pause.)

22 DR. YU: You can do it again. Thank you.

1 Please go ahead.

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10 much for the opportunity to give this statement
11 again.

12 DR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

13 Speaker number 2, your audio is connected
14 how. Will speaker number 2 begin and introduce
15 yourself? Please state your name and any
16 organization you are representing for the record.

17 MS. FAIRLEY: My name is Ricki Fairley, and
18 I'm the founder and CEO of TOUCH, The Black Breast
19 Cancer Alliance. Thank you so much for the
20 opportunity to speak today about an option for
21 triple-negative breast cancer. I'm very blessed to
22 be approaching 10 years of survivorship of TNBC.

1 I'm not being compensated for giving my remarks
2 today.

3 Imagine being diagnosed with TNBC, something
4 that you never knew existed, being told it was
5 associated with the worst prognosis and a very low
6 survival rate, then being told there were no
7 targeted treatment options for you.

8 That is exactly what happened to me in 2011.
9 I was being thrust into a war, a fight for my life,
10 with absolutely no weapons. I was given a death
11 sentence with no hope. I was told I had two years
12 to live. Obviously, God had another plan for me.
13 He left me here to be an advocate, so I fight like
14 a girl everyday to eradicate this disease that
15 disproportionately affects women who look like me.

16 TNBC is a different disease. Because we
17 don't have a drug to prevent recurrence, we fight a
18 different fight. Black women are 2.3 times more
19 likely to be diagnosed with TNBC. Black women are
20 42 percent more likely to die of breast cancer.
21 Black women under 35 get breast cancer at twice the
22 rate of white women and die at 3 times the rate.

1 Black breast cancer survivors have a 39 percent
2 higher rate of risk of recurrence, but the risk of
3 death for black women with breast cancer is
4 71 percent higher than for white women. Black
5 women deserve better.

6 I founded TOUCH, The Black Breast Cancer
7 Alliance, to bring attention to the science and
8 breast cancer research conversations. My purpose,
9 passion, and mission is to eradicate black breast
10 cancer.

11 As you look at the faces of my TNBC
12 breastees, know that a drug like Tecentriq could
13 have stopped their cancer from advancing and
14 possibly given the dead ones a better outcome. I'm
15 ecstatic to have Tecentriq as a potential option, a
16 new therapy for metastatic TNBC. An incremental
17 7 months of life could be a lifetime.

18 You hold the power to bring hope over fear,
19 a chance to see a child grow, a chance to meet a
20 new grandbaby. How many women will die while
21 waiting for this life-saving therapy? How would
22 you feel if one of your family members were at risk

1 and time is of the essence? I have about 10 years
2 before Belle, my oldest granddaughter, has breasts.
3 My goal is to put myself out of a job by then.

4 Though my presentation has focused on black
5 breast cancer, I just lost a bestie who was of
6 Ashkenazi Jewish descent. My precious Alison [ph]
7 fought for two and a half years. Two weeks ago,
8 when I gave her her last hug, tucked her into her
9 hospice bed, and watched her close her eyes for the
10 last time, all I could think about was how much
11 longer we would have to deal with this madness.

12 Frankly, Tecentriq as an option cannot get
13 to the market soon enough. Thank you in advance
14 for helping me reach my goal for Belle, the other
15 women in my family, and the black breast cancer
16 community.

17 DR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

18 Speaker number 3, your audio will be
19 connected momentarily. Will speaker number 3 begin
20 and introduce yourself? Please state your name and
21 any organization you're representing for the
22 record.

1 MS. ATLAN: Yes. Hello. My name is Michele
2 Atlan, and I have no financial relationships to
3 declare. I am an 8-year breast cancer survivor and
4 a project-lead trained research advocate for the
5 National Breast Cancer Coalition. NBCC opposes the
6 continued approval of atezolizumab in the
7 first-line setting of advanced or metastatic
8 triple-negative breast cancer.

9 Having seen many friends and fellow
10 advocates die from this horrible disease, NBCC does
11 not hold this position lightly. We all want new
12 treatments to work for breast cancer patients. For
13 NBCC, that means treatments that have clinical
14 benefit and significantly improve survival without
15 diminishing quality of life. This must be
16 demonstrated by well-designed and conducted
17 randomized-controlled trials. Unfortunately, this
18 has not been the case with atezolizumab in
19 triple-negative breast cancer.

20 In 2018, many celebrated the reported
21 results of the IMPassion130 trial of atezolizumab.
22 These were based on an exploratory subgroup

1 analysis of patients with PD-L1 positive tumors
2 that suggested, but did not prove, a 7-month
3 overall survival benefit. The drug was granted
4 accelerated approval based on a 2.6-month
5 improvement in progression-free survival. A
6 confirmatory trial, IMPassion131 was already
7 underway.

8 We challenged several aspects of this
9 confirmatory trial. It continued to use
10 progression-free survival as a primary endpoint
11 with overall survival as a secondary endpoint not
12 likely to be eligible for analysis under the trial
13 design. Worse, prior studies had fairly
14 conclusively shown no benefit for patients who are
15 not PD-L1 positive; yet IMPassion131 enrolled these
16 patients, offering potential harm to many, with no
17 likelihood of benefit.

18 In late 2020, we learned that the
19 confirmatory trial failed to replicate any of the
20 earlier trial results. Disturbingly, PD-L1
21 positive patients in the treatment arm demonstrated
22 a reduction in median overall survival of more than

1 6 months compared to the control arm.

2 A key responsibility of the FDA is to
3 protect the public by ensuring the safety and
4 efficacy of drugs that enter the market. And
5 frankly, that's what patients assume they're
6 getting when a drug is offered to them.

7 In metastatic breast cancer, where there's
8 currently no cure, drugs must ultimately confer
9 some clinical benefit over standard of care to
10 retain their approval status. In breast cancer, we
11 still have no idea if this drug improves any
12 clinically meaningful endpoint. We do know it can
13 cause possible detriment. Under the rules guiding
14 accelerated approval, approval must be withdrawn.
15 Thank you for listening.

16 DR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

17 Open public hearing speaker number 4, your
18 audio is connected now. Will you please begin and
19 introduce yourself? Please state your name and any
20 organization you're representing for the record.

21 Thank you.

22 MS. DINERMAN: Good afternoon. My name is

1 Hayley Dinerman, and I'm the executive director of
2 the Triple Negative Breast Cancer Foundation. I
3 thank you for the opportunity to speak here today.
4 Please note that I have not been compensated for my
5 remarks. I'm here as an advocate, and hope to give
6 a voice to a community of breast cancer patients
7 that's often overlooked.

8 I co-founded the TNBC Foundation in 2006
9 when my friend Nancy was battling this disease. At
10 the time, very little research was being done in
11 this area, and there were few places to turn for
12 support. Fortunately, that is no longer the case.

13 The TNBC Foundation has grown to be the
14 leading advocacy group for the triple-negative
15 community. We work to make sure that the unique
16 needs of the TNBC community are understood and
17 considered, which is why I appreciate the
18 opportunity to lend my perspective to this
19 discussion, as I've seen firsthand how devastating
20 this disease can be.

21 Despite giving it everything she had, Nancy
22 died of TNBC at just 37 years old. She left behind

1 a close-knit family and friends who struggle with
2 her loss to this day.

3 Unfortunately, I had many friends who lost
4 their lives to TNBC. Fern Dixon and Annie Goodman
5 are two such examples. Fern was 43 years old when
6 she died and Annie was just 33. Another friend was
7 Lori Redmer. She was the TNBC Foundation's
8 executive director. Despite having every possible
9 resource at her disposal, Lori died in her 40's.

10 I want you to know their faces. I want them
11 to be in this virtual room with us today. These
12 women were all in the prime of their lives and they
13 deserved better. These are the faces of the women
14 we serve. They're fighters. They're willing to do
15 what it takes to battle this beast, but they need
16 options, especially when they're faced with
17 advanced disease.

18 The TNBC Foundation hears regularly from
19 thousands of triple-negative patients, many with
20 metastatic disease. As an organization, we have
21 our ears to the ground. We know this patient
22 population, we hear their fears, and understand

1 their desperate need for more treatment options,
2 especially as their disease progresses.

3 For those diagnosed with metastatic TNBC,
4 there are limited treatment options. When a
5 therapeutic option presents itself, it should be
6 available for consideration. Patients in
7 consultation with their doctors should have the
8 option to weigh the risks and make a choice.

9 The TNBC community is disadvantaged enough
10 compared to other breast cancer patient groups. As
11 we know, many of the greatest treatment
12 breakthroughs do not apply to them. TNBC often
13 strikes younger women, women with BRCA mutations,
14 Ashkenazi Jewish women, and black women. As we
15 heard from Ricki Fairley earlier, the data relating
16 to black women is especially concerning. Black
17 women are 2.3 times as likely to be diagnosed with
18 TNBC and far more likely to die of this disease.

19 Given the severity of the disease, patients
20 should have the option, together with their medical
21 team, to consider therapies that might prevent
22 their cancer from advancing further. I'm sure you

1 agree that they deserve to have as many weapons in
2 their arsenal as we can safely offer them. I hope
3 I was able to give you some insight into the very
4 real unmet need faced by patients in our TNBC
5 community. Thank you for listening.

6 DR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

7 That was number 4, correct?

8 DR. YU: That's correct.

9 **Clarifying Questions to Presenters (continued)**

10 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Very good.

11 The open public hearing portion of this
12 meeting has now concluded and we'll no longer take
13 comments from the audience. We're now going to
14 take remaining clarifying questions for all the
15 presenters thus far who were not able to ask their
16 questions earlier. I'm going to call on the
17 people, Drs. Finestone, Halabi, and Kraus, who had
18 their hands up before.

19 I'll just mention, if by some chance your
20 question might have already been answered with some
21 of the other discussion, that's great. And in the
22 interest of time, if it's possible to be as concise

1 as possible, we'd appreciate it.

2 Dr. Finestone?

3 DR. FINESTONE: Were you able to hear me?

4 I'm sorry. My question has been answered in the
5 intervening conversation.

6 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

7 Dr. Halabi?

8 DR. HALABI: Yes. Hi. My questions have
9 been answered, too, and it was mostly related to
10 the PFS, the choice of PFS as the primary endpoint,
11 so I'm fine to move on. Thank you.

12 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

13 Dr. Kraus?

14 DR. KRAUS: Yes. I had two, hopefully,
15 brief questions. The first one digs into the area
16 of the control arm in the 131 study and the
17 discussion of the various durations of the effect,
18 because it struck me that all studies aren't equal,
19 and in this case, the number of patients isn't as
20 relevant as the number of events in surety and
21 variability of your answer.

22 I was going to ask Dr. Fuchs and Chui, if

1 you could give some perspective on that unexpected
2 result. Having worked for a lot of years on Taxol,
3 it's a higher number than I've seen, even in
4 combinations with Taxol and with anthracyclines in
5 better-prognosis patients.

6 Can you give us a sense of the numbers of
7 events in survival in the control arm
8 131 -- because maturity is a factor,
9 obviously -- versus 130, and versus some of the
10 literature you referenced? Because the number of
11 events, few events can have an impact the smaller
12 that number is, right?

13 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Kraus, thank you. We can
14 definitely turn to Dr. Chui. I know the
15 statistician, Dr. Berge, was having trouble calling
16 back in, so let me see if either Dr. Chui or
17 Dr. Berge can answer that question.

18 DR. BERGE: I don't know if you can hear me.

19 DR. FUCHS: Yes.

20 DR. BERGE: Okay. Thank you. Claude Berge,
21 Genentech.

22 I think we have observed that there is a

1 difference in the performance of the control arm
2 with respect to OS between IMPassion130 and
3 IMPassion131. What we need to consider is, really,
4 as you mentioned, the low number of events that we
5 are seeing in IMPassion131, because we have only
6 39 patients with an event over 101 patients in the
7 control arm of IMPassion131, which translates into
8 a high uncertainty with a wide 95 confidence
9 interval.

10 In addition, yes, we have observed also a
11 meaningful difference between the literature that
12 we have highlighted, between 12 to 18 months, and
13 with almost 28 months that we have observed in the
14 control arm of IMPassion131.

15 Basically, what we can tell is that while
16 for the IMPassion131 control arm, it should be
17 viewed very cautiously due to the limited
18 information, the IMPassion130 control arm showed,
19 of course, robust data with almost 70 percent of
20 the patients, who unfortunately died, which is
21 consistent with the literature.

22 Maybe, Dr. Chui, if you would like to add

1 any clinical perspective?

2 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Berge, I couldn't
3 understand. Who are you referencing to speak after
4 this?

5 DR. BERGE: Yes. I don't know if Dr. Chui
6 would like to add any additional clinical
7 information on the control arm.

8 DR. FUCHS: Dr. Chui?

9 DR. CHUI: Hi. It's Steve Chui. Can you
10 hear me?

11 DR. FUCHS: Yes.

12 DR. CHUI: As stated, there are a different
13 number of events for the IMPassion131 versus the
14 IMPassion130 data. We have more confidence in the
15 IMPassion130 overall survival data, not only
16 because of the consistency over time with the other
17 endpoints, but also the fact that it is consistent
18 with what we've seen in the literature upon the
19 18-month median duration overall survival for
20 patients treated with chemotherapy only.

21 DR. KRAUS: Thank you. The second one, to
22 save time, I looked it up while we were on pause.

1 I was going to ask the question of how long since
2 the accelerated approval, but I knew it was in the
3 FDA slides. It seems like it's about two years, so
4 not a huge amount of time.

5 I was going to ask that because it's
6 important to have due diligence for a confirmatory
7 study, but not such a long time frame since the
8 accelerated approval first occurred. That's the
9 end of my questions.

10 **Questions to the Committee and Discussion**

11 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. I think we've covered
12 the key points and people's questions have been
13 answered.

14 We will now proceed with the question to the
15 committee and panel discussion. I'd like to remind
16 public observers that while this meeting is open
17 for public observation, public attendees may not
18 participate except at the specific request of the
19 panel.

20 Today's question is a voting question, and
21 that question is, should the indication for the
22 atezolizumab in combination with nab-paclitaxel for

1 the treatment of adult patients with unresectable
2 locally advanced or metastatic triple-negative
3 breast cancer, whose tumors are PD-L1 positive, be
4 maintained on the market while additional trials
5 are conducted or completed?

6 Then we can discuss later, if our answer is
7 yes, discuss after the vote what ongoing or
8 alternative trials might serve best to confirm
9 clinical benefit.

10 Dr. Joyce Yu will provide the instructions
11 for the voting.

12 DR. YU: Yes. Thank you. Can you hear me?

13 DR. HOFFMAN: Yes.

14 DR. YU: Okay.

15 Question 1 is a voting question. Voting
16 members will use the Adobe Connect platform to
17 submit their votes for this meeting. After the
18 chairperson asks the voting question into the
19 record, which you have, and all questions and
20 discussion regarding the wording of the vote
21 question are complete, the chairperson will
22 announce that the voting will begin.

1 If you're a voting member, you will be moved
2 to a breakout room. A new display will appear
3 where you can submit your vote. There will be no
4 discussion in the breakout room. You should select
5 the radio button that is a round circular button in
6 the window that corresponds to your vote, yes, no,
7 or abstain. You should not leave the "no vote"
8 choice selected.

9 Please note that you do not need to submit
10 or send your vote. Again, you need only to select
11 the radio button that corresponds to your vote.
12 You will have the opportunity to change your vote
13 until the vote is announced as closed. Once all
14 voting members have selected their vote, I will
15 announce that the vote is closed.

16 Next, the vote results will be displayed on
17 the screen. I will read the vote results from the
18 screen. Next, the chairperson will go down the
19 roster, and each voting member will state their
20 name and their vote into the record. You can also
21 state the reason why you voted as you did if you
22 want to.

1 Are there any questions about the voting
2 process from any of the panel members before we
3 begin?

4 (No response.)

5 DR. YU: Okay. Hearing none, I will turn it
6 back to Dr. Hoffman to facilitate any questions or
7 comments about the wording.

8 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Are there any questions
9 or comments about the wording of the question as I
10 read it a minute ago, and it's on the screen?

11 (No response.)

12 DR. HOFFMAN: Alright. Well, hearing none,
13 I think then we should now begin the voting.

14 Dr. Yu?

15 DR. YU: Okay. Yes, we'll now move voting
16 members into the voting breakout room to vote only.
17 There will be no discussion in the voting breakout
18 room.

19 (Pause.)

20 DR. YU: We have entered the voting breakout
21 room. We will be muted. Please refrain from
22 speaking. The vote is now open. Please vote.

1 (Voting.)

2 DR. YU: We're about to close the vote.

3 (Pause.)

4 DR. YU: The voting is closed. We're
5 tallying the results, and we will momentarily
6 return everyone to the main meeting room.

7 (Pause.)

8 DR. YU: The voting has closed and is now
9 complete. Once the vote results display, I will
10 read the vote results into the record.

11 The vote results are now displayed. I will
12 read the vote totals into the record. The
13 chairperson will go down the list, and each voting
14 member will state their name and their vote into
15 the record. You can also say the reason why you
16 voted as you did if you want to.

17 The results are 7 yeses and 2 noes, and zero
18 abstentions.

19 Dr. Hoffman?

20 DR. HOFFMAN: Yes. Let me start with
21 Dr. Lieu because I understand you may need to leave
22 quickly.

1 DR. LIEU: Hi, all. This is Christopher.
2 Lieu. I voted yes, and believe that an alternative
3 trial is needed to confirm clinical benefit. But
4 given the results of 130, I believe that it should
5 maintain its approval.

6 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

7 I'm going to go down the list and ask,
8 again, each member to state their name and their
9 vote, and if they wish, why.

10 Dr. Halabi?

11 DR. HALABI: Yes. Hi. This is Susan
12 Halabi. This was a difficult decision for me. I
13 was almost on the fence. I voted no. And the main
14 reason is while I do appreciate there is a huge
15 unmet need, my concern is the choice of the
16 endpoint. It seems to me that while PFS may be
17 confirmed in another trial, I'm not totally
18 convinced that this will translate into a
19 meaningful benefit to the patient. Thank you.

20 DR. YU: Hi. Dr. Halabi, thank you so much.
21 I may need to ask you to state that justification
22 one more time for the record.

1 Could we please pause for just a moment?

2 We're resolving one audio issue. Thank you.

3 DR. HALABI: Sure.

4 (Pause.)

5 DR. YU: Could Dr. Hoffman or someone give
6 me a cue if you can hear me ok?

7 DR. HOFFMAN: I can hear you.

8 DR. YU: Okay. I appreciate everyone's
9 patience. We are going to resume shortly.

10 Dr. Halabi, if you can hear me ok, would you
11 mind restarting and stating what you had previously
12 stated for your vote?

13 DR. HALABI: Yes. Sure. This is Susan
14 Halabi. I voted no. And while I appreciate the
15 unmet need for the patients, when I'm looking at
16 the benefit-risk ratio, I wasn't convinced the PFS
17 endpoint would translate to a clinically meaningful
18 benefit to the patients, and taking into account
19 the toxicity profile for those patients. Thank
20 you.

21 DR. YU: Okay. Dr. Hoffman, do you want to
22 proceed?

1 (No response.)

2 DR. YU: Dr. Hoffman, can you hear me?

3 (No response.)

4 DR. YU: Okay. While we try to reconnect
5 with Dr. Hoffman, Ms. Spotila, if you can hear me,
6 would you mind resuming with your vote and
7 justification?

8 DR. MONTERO: Sorry. Who are you asking to
9 speak now?

10 DR. YU: Ms. Spotila, if you can hear me,
11 please unmute your phone on the Adobe Connect
12 platform. It's at the top.

13 (No response.)

14 DR. YU: It looks like we will need to come
15 back with Ms. Spotila.

16 Dr. Montero, can you hear us ok?

17 DR. MONTERO: Yes, I can hear you.

18 DR. YU: Okay. Would you mind resuming?

19 DR. MONTERO: Yes. I voted in favor of
20 continuation, pending results from a confirmatory
21 study in the metastatic setting, based on a
22 principle of maximizing therapeutic options in

1 patients with aggressive terminal illnesses.

2 Most patients with stage 4 triple negative
3 live less than two years. It's hard to discount
4 the overall survival benefit observed in
5 IMPassion130 based on the lack of statistical
6 power. Based on the question and answer period, it
7 seems that there's a low likelihood of this being
8 due to chance.

9 Based on the atypical results of the control
10 arm in 131, it seems proportionally more likely
11 that that result may be due to chance, and that's
12 why I voted in favor of continuation.

13 (Reverberation.)

14 DR. YU: Thank you.

15 I would just remind everyone to please mute
16 your speakers. I'm hearing a little bit of an
17 echo.

18 (Reverberation.)

19 DR. YU: I apologize. We're trying to track
20 this echo.

21 Dr. Hoffman, can I ask if you've returned to
22 the meeting?

1 DR. HOFFMAN: Yes. I'm sorry. I'm back. I
2 got cut off again.

3 Whom have we covered; Dr. Lieu, and
4 Dr. Halabi, and Ms. Spotila?

5 DR. YU: We will have to return to
6 Ms. Spotila. You will be next, and you can proceed
7 with the rest of the list.

8 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay.

9 This is Philip Hoffman. I voted yes.
10 Basically, I felt that there were multiple possible
11 reasons other than lack of efficacy that might play
12 into the failure of the confirmatory trial to show
13 benefit, and these multiple potential confounders
14 were well stated by the applicant.

15 Although it's probably statistically not
16 appropriate for me to do this, I do note a
17 significant difference so far in survival for the
18 PD-L1 positive patients. And I know, again, that
19 I'm overstepping there statistically, but I don't
20 feel there's enough evidence to say no to this and
21 would agree that it should continue.

22 Dr. Montero?

1 DR. YU: Dr. Montero has spoken. Thanks,
2 Dr. Hoffman.

3 DR. HOFFMAN: I'm sorry. Thank you.

4 DR. YU: I'm aware that -- actually,
5 Dr. Ellis, if you can hear us ok, I would like to
6 also allow you to provide your justification, if
7 that's ok, and then, Dr. Hoffman, please proceed
8 with the rest of the list.

9 Dr. Ellis, are you there?

10 DR. ELLIS: Yes. Very difficult. I
11 struggled with this, as did you all. I'll just
12 make the following obvious comments.

13 The 130 trial, the data is based on an
14 underpowered subset analysis, and that's why
15 they're struggling to show the overall survival
16 benefit. And the replication study was similar
17 enough for me in that essentially the drug was the
18 same, and essentially the subset analysis, based on
19 PD-L1, the same, to show an absolutely negative
20 result. In fact, the survival trending in the
21 wrong direction means that this is clearly not a
22 replication study.

1 My concern is with the continued approval.
2 As was stated by the company themselves, it'll be
3 hard to do the correct validation study, which is
4 to take the PD-L1 positive population and randomize
5 them between nab-paclitaxel versus nab-paclitaxel
6 plus atezolizumab. No other study makes any sense
7 at all, and with the continued improvement there,
8 it's going to be hard to do that study.

9 So that was my concern. The science will
10 not progress with this continued approval. And
11 it's not that I don't feel the tragedy of these
12 women every day. I've done that for the last
13 30 years. I just think that the data are the data,
14 and you can choose to interpret it in different
15 ways. But in the end, the only correct
16 interpretation is to use the statistics presented
17 by the biostatisticians.

18 Incidentally, my opinion totally concurs
19 with the professional groups who also looked at
20 this question. Thank you.

21 DR. HOFFMAN: I'm sorry. Could you just,
22 for the record, state your name and your vote?

1 DR. ELLIS: Oh, sorry. Yes. Matthew Ellis.
2 The vote was no.

3 DR. HOFFMAN: Alright. Thank you.

4 Dr. Lipkowitz?

5 DR. LIPKOWITZ: This Is Stan Lipkowitz, and
6 I voted yes. And like everybody else, this was a
7 very hard decision. I think in some ways the
8 purist in me said I should have voted no, but when
9 I looked at the data, there are a couple things
10 that struck me.

11 First of all, the landscape hasn't changed.
12 There's really no therapy in the first line for
13 triple-negative metastatic that's been shown to
14 improve survival. I agree that it's not
15 statistically valid at this point, but there's a
16 hint of that in the study.

17 The confirmatory study, I agree with Matt
18 that it was a negative study, but the degree to
19 which the control arm is an outlier in that is
20 really remarkable. I mean, in our various breaks
21 just now, I looked through all of the studies I
22 could pull up, and even with doublet, the best I've

1 seen is 18 months. So to see a 28-month overall
2 survival in a control arm with single agent Taxol,
3 it's just hard to explain.

4 So with all of that, I came to the
5 conclusion that I think it would be better to leave
6 this drug on the market, but there needs to be a
7 confirmatory study. And the ideal study, as
8 difficult as it would be, would be to repeat the
9 study in the PD-L1 population. I guess the 132
10 study would be ok, but I think at the same time,
11 there has to be some sort of time frame with which
12 to complete this.

13 Also, I think, really, there has to be a
14 concession, and I didn't really hear it from
15 Genentech, that if they can't confirm it, this has
16 to be withdrawn. And it shouldn't be another ODAC
17 to make them withdraw it. It should be withdrawn
18 if they can't confirm this data, and I'll stop
19 there.

20 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

21 Ms. Spotila, are you still on the call?

22 (No response.)

1 DR. HOFFMAN: Perhaps not.

2 Dr. Burstein?

3 DR. BURSTEIN: Hi. This is Dr. Harold
4 Burstein, and I voted yes. First, I'd like to
5 thank the public commentators in particular, who I
6 thought spoke with really great passion. This is a
7 difficult decision and a difficult disease to
8 treat. And like many of those on the call, I have
9 spent decades caring for these patients, and we all
10 wish we had fundamentally better options.

11 Just a couple of comments by way of
12 background; the first is that I think the
13 accelerated approval on PFS here and the recent one
14 given in a similar context for pembrolizumab were
15 based on, really, very similar data in terms of the
16 magnitude of benefit in progression-free survival.

17 Ultimately, in looking at the IMPassion130
18 data, I think that there is a biologically sound
19 large sub group of approximately 350 patients with
20 the PD-L1 positive tumors who clearly had, by any
21 reasonable person's interpretation, a meaningful
22 improvement in overall survival, a measurable

1 difference, and a 10-to-15 percent improvement at
2 benchmarks of 2 years, 3 years, and 4 years,
3 according to the Kaplan-Meier curve.

4 I realized that for a variety of complex
5 statistical reasons, this is not exactly a kosher
6 statistical analysis, but to ignore it strikes me
7 as to do so at one's peril, even if fundamentally I
8 wish we were seeing more overt benefit in all of
9 these trials.

10 I also share what's already been said, that
11 the impact of 131 data are problematic in trying to
12 approve the drug, but there are also reasons to
13 imagine that the populations are sufficiently
14 different that I can't immediately reconcile the
15 two.

16 I was also persuaded, for what it's worth,
17 by the patient-reported outcomes data. I realize
18 there are methodological challenges to that, but
19 actually I think, to the company's credit, those
20 data support the idea that patients are feeling at
21 least as good with this treatment as they would be
22 with the conventional therapy, and the other

1 toxicity data support that as well.

2 I want to just pick up on Dr. Ellis' point,
3 which I think is well stated, that the only real
4 confirmatory trial, which I think is necessary,
5 would be essentially a repeat of IMPassion130 built
6 around the nab-paclitaxel backbone. That poses
7 logistical problems, but I think that is the right
8 study to do.

9 I'm not persuaded at all that the
10 early-stage trials speak to the same issues for
11 approval in the late-stage setting, and I have
12 concerns that should IMPassion132 be positive, it
13 would be defining a very different cohort of
14 patients in whom the product would be used.

15 So having said all that, I voted yes, and
16 I'm certainly hopeful that a forthcoming study will
17 resolve the matter; and until then, I think it's
18 reasonable to leave this product on the market.

19 Despite what the FDA may think about what
20 the market is, the reality is that practice has
21 shifted in the United States. Women with
22 triple-negative breast cancers are being tested for

1 PD-L1 positive tumors, and if positive, they're
2 being offered checkpoint inhibitors and concurrent
3 chemotherapy, and multiple guidelines and
4 recommendations endorse that. And to, at the
5 moment, withdraw this seems still somewhat
6 premature. Thank you very much.

7 DR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

8 Dr. Finestone?

9 DR. FINESTONE: Yes. Sandra Finestone. I
10 voted yes. My vote was based on primarily one of
11 need, but influenced by consideration of efficacy
12 versus toxicity. Particularly, the data that
13 showed adding atezo to the treatment did not add
14 any toxicity, and in some instances looked like it
15 actually reduced it.

16 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

17 Have I called on everybody to vote; because
18 I was disconnected briefly?

19 DR. YU: Thank you, Dr. Hoffman. We were
20 missing Ms. Jennifer Spotila's vote, however, we
21 have confirmed that her vote is as displayed. We
22 appreciate her time.

1 Thank you, Ms. Spotila.

2 Please continue with the summary of the
3 discussion.

4 DR. HOFFMAN: Okay.

5 As we can see, the vote was 7 approving to
6 continue the accelerated approval and 2 against it.
7 I think everyone felt that that was not an easy
8 decision and there were multiple factors to
9 consider. It seemed like some aspects of the
10 confirmatory trial, which was a negative trial,
11 were problematic in people's minds. I think that
12 repeating the same study would be probably the best
13 way to try to firm up the answer that we all need,
14 and we know that that would be a difficult
15 prospect, and we will have to see.

16 I heard Dr. Burstein's comments about
17 IMPassion132. My sense would be that that probably
18 comes closest to a replication of this trial. It's
19 a different chemotherapy platform, but it's
20 metastatic disease and it's placebo-controlled
21 atezolizumab or placebo. So my two cents on that
22 would be that that would be my preferred

1 alternative trial.

2 Before we adjourn, are there any last
3 comments from the FDA?

4 DR. AMIRI-KORDESTANI: No. This is Laleh
5 Amiri from FDA. I want to thank the ODAC members
6 to actually have this discussion, and we apologize
7 for all of the audio issues that we had. Thanks,
8 everyone, for your patience. I hope that we don't
9 have any issues the next day.

10 **Adjournment**

11 DR. HOFFMAN: Yes. Well, I would imagine
12 that putting together the details of a meeting
13 where people are rather far-flung must be
14 enormously complicated. So despite the glitches, I
15 want to thank the folks at the FDA for their hard
16 work in getting this together.

17 We will now adjourn the meeting. We'll
18 reconvene tomorrow, April 28th, at 9 a.m. Eastern.
19 Panel members, please remember that there should be
20 no chatting or discussion of the meeting topics
21 with other panel members, and we ask that the panel
22 members participating in the first topic tomorrow

1 should plan to rejoin at 8:15 a.m. Eastern to
2 ensure that you're connected before we reconvene at
3 9 a.m. Thank you very much for your participation
4 today.

5 (Whereupon, at 5:21 p.m., the meeting was
6 adjourned.)

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