# Use of bone health agents (BHAs) in patients with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC) treated with radium-223 after abiraterone: An interim review of REASSURE

## Background

When the radium-223 Phase III clinical trial (ALSYMPCA) was conducted, abiraterone was an investigational agent that was only available through clinical trials. REASSURE is a prospective, observational clinical study of radium-223 in patients with mCRPC with a 7-year follow-up (NCT02141438). Patients could have had anti-hormonal agents, such as abiraterone, prior to receiving radium-223. The objective of this interim review was to evaluate the fractures and symptomatic skeletal events (SSEs) based on prior abiraterone use and the use of BHAs, denosumab and bisphosphonates.

### Methods

Descriptive statistics were generated for baseline characteristics, fractures, SSEs, and overall survival (OS) by BHA use in patients who had completed abiraterone treatment prior to receiving radium-223 (prior abiraterone) or who had no prior abiraterone (abiraterone-naïve). SSEs consisted of events reported as "musculoskeletal" adverse events (fracture, spinal cord compression, radiotherapy to bone, surgery, and SSE documented as a type of progression).

### Results

As of November 2017, 1439 patients were enrolled, with a median follow-up time of 9.1 months. 720 (50%) patients had received BHAs prior to, concomitantly with, or after radium-223. 431 (30%) patients received prior abiraterone; 675 (47%) patients were considered abiraterone-naïve. For the prior-abiraterone group, median time of exposure to abiraterone was 11 months. The median time from diagnosis of CRPC to initiation of radium-223 was 9 months in abiraterone-naïve patients and 23 months in prior-abiraterone patients. In the prior-abiraterone group, SSEs occurred in 18% and 25% of patients with and without BHAs, respectively. In the abiraterone-naïve group, 19% of patients with BHAs and 20% of those without BHAs had SSEs. Fractures were reported in 10/431 patients (2%) in the prior-abiraterone group. In the abiraterone-naïve group, fractures were reported in 5/302 (2%) and 11/373 (3%) patients with and without BHAs, respectively. OS from the initiation of radium-223 initiation was 15.5 months in the abiraterone-naïve group and 11.3 months in the prior-abiraterone group.

## Conclusion

Similar rates of fractures were observed in abiraterone-naïve patients and those who received abiraterone prior to radium-223. Patients with prior abiraterone treatment had a shorter OS, and these patients received radium-223 at a later time during their disease course, as reflected by a longer time from CRPC to radium-223 initiation.

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