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# Platinum-based Chemotherapy

## Cisplatin

- Cisplatin, a.k.a. “penicillin of cancer” first introduced in the 1970s and subsequently demonstrated high efficacy in the treatment of variety of pediatric tumors
- Despite the approval of new chemotherapy treatments, targeted agents and immunotherapy drugs, cisplatin still finds wide use, as stand-alone or as a valuable part of a combination chemotherapy regimen
- Cisplatin can cause irreversible high frequency hearing loss, or ototoxicity in children
- Ototoxicity is permanent and irreversible
- As high survival rates for childhood cancers have been achieved, there is a growing need for pediatric practitioners to offer health care surveillance for the long-term effects of chemotherapy, including cisplatin-induced ototoxicity, in primary care settings

# Company Overview

- US based biopharmaceutical company focused on the development of Sodium Thiosulfate (STS) for the prevention of platinum-induced ototoxicity in children with cancer
  - Granted FDA Orphan Drug Designation – 7.5 years market exclusivity
  - Potential for European Market Exclusivity for Pediatric Use – 10 years upon approval
- STS has completed enrollment of two pediatric Phase 3 studies
  - Proof of concept COG ACCL0431 study: 131 patients with heterogeneous tumors
    - Achieved primary efficacy endpoint – ASCO 2014
    - Final results published Lancet Oncology – December 2016
  - Pivotal SIOPEL 6 study: 109 patients with standard risk hepatoblastoma
    - Reported no evidence of tumor protection and encouraging interim audiometry results – ASCO 2016 & SIOP 2016
- Launch of European Named Patient Program in May 2017 – STS available before approval
- June 2017 \$7.6 million institutional financing – led by venBio Select Advisor
- STS has the potential to fill a significant unmet medical need with no approved treatments on market

# Platinum Hearing Loss is Frequent, Severe and Irreversible

Each year in US and EU ~7000 children and adolescents receive platinum based chemotherapy for localized tumors, where overall survival is greater than 80%\*

At least 60% of children develop profound irreversible ototoxicity\*\*

- Ototoxicity is a dose-limiting side effect
- Effect can be seen after as little as the second or third dose
- Loss of high frequency hearing sensitivity (consonants /f/th/p/k/h/t)
- Background noise compounds disability in critical settings
- Infants and young children at critical stage of development, lack speech language development and literacy
- Older children & adolescents lack social-emotional development and educational achievement

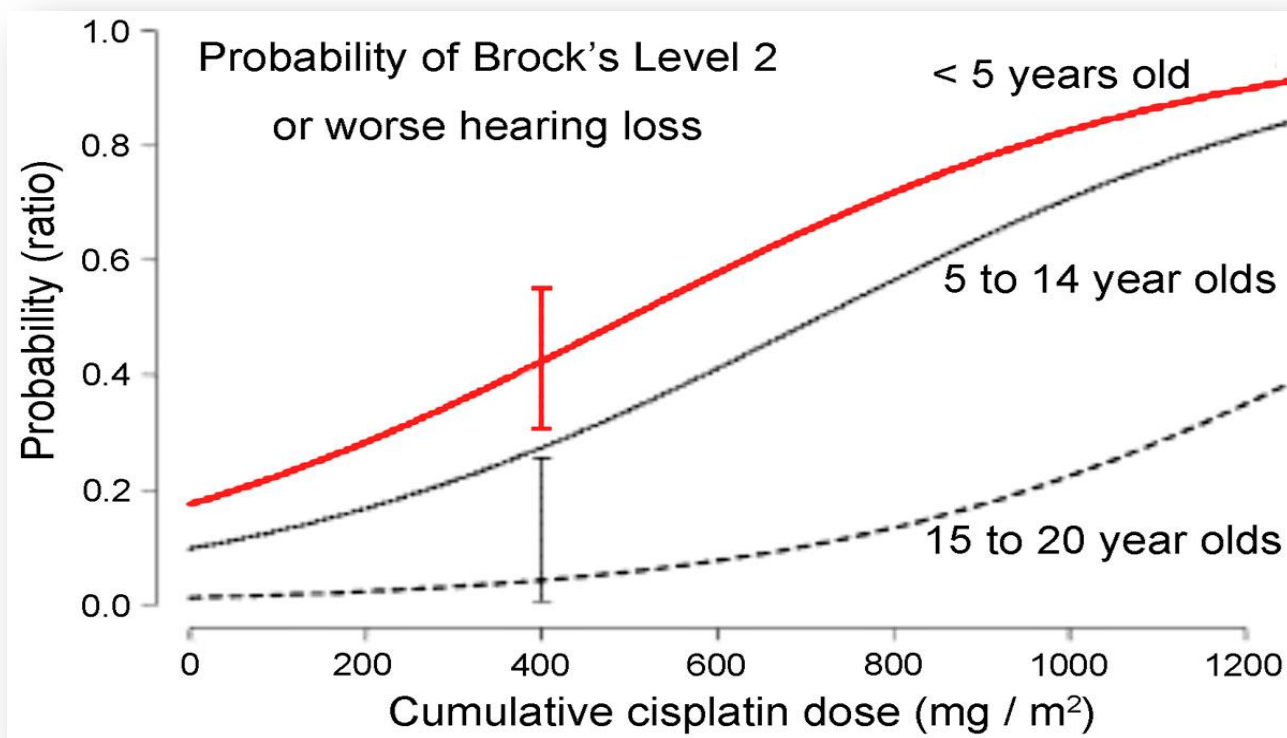


**Devastating and life long impact on Quality of Life**

\* Fennec internal estimates

\*\* Neuwelt and Brock. J Clin Oncol 2010;28:1630-1632

# Cisplatin Ototoxicity Risk Factors



**Children < 5 years old: 21 times the risk for hearing loss compared to adolescents**

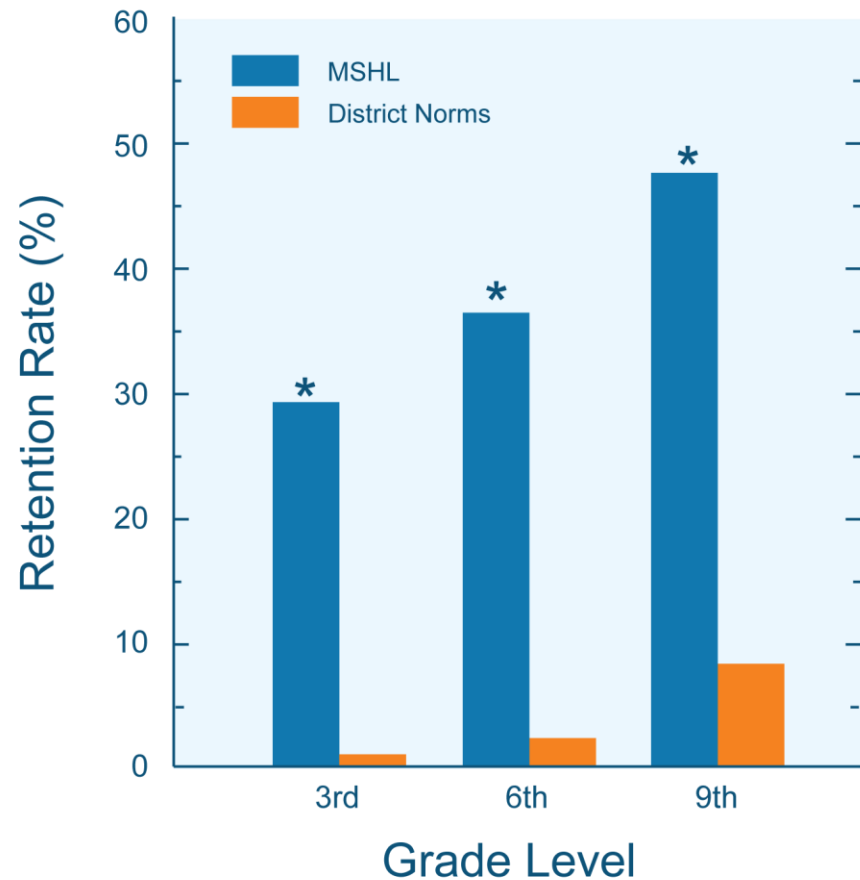
# Devastating Impact on Quality of Life

## Even minimal hearing loss (MSHL) is damaging

- High risk for being held back a grade (37% versus 3%)

## Neuroblastoma survivors with hearing loss

- Twice the rate of parent reported problems with reading, math, attention and need for special education
- Poorer child-reported quality of life and school functioning

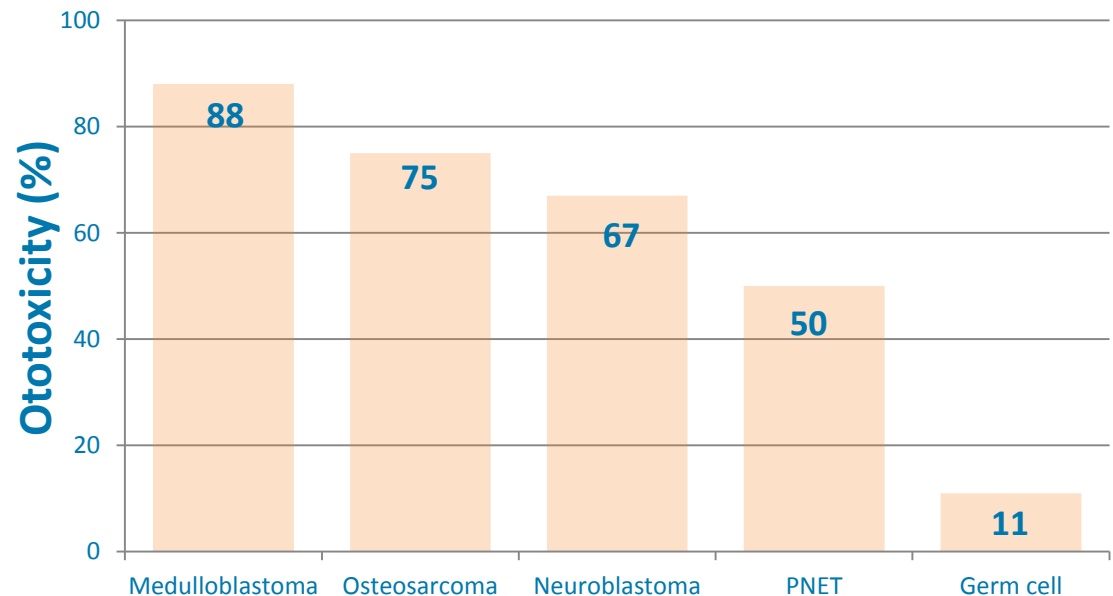


\*Bess et al., Ear and Hearing, 1998, 19:339-54

\*Gurney et al., Pediatrics, 2007 120(5):229-36

# Ototoxicity in Children Treated with Cisplatin and/or Carboplatin\*

- 61% bilateral hearing loss (ASHA criteria) at the end of treatment
- 41% required hearing aids that only partially restore hearing
- 22% of patients had dose reductions due to ototoxicity
- N=67 age 8 m - 20 years





# Sodium thiosulfate (STS)

## Indication

- Approved in US and some EU countries for the treatment of cyanide poisoning

## Mechanism of Action\*

- Anticancer activity of cisplatin occurs during the first two hours after administration when the free (unbound) cisplatin distributes into the cancer cells
- Inactivation of protein-bound platinum complexes causing ototoxicity in the inner ear
- STS reacts irreversibly with cisplatin to form  $\text{Pt}(\text{S}_2\text{O}_3)$  which is not cytotoxic and is readily excretable

## Drug Delivery

- STS is administered 6 hours post cisplatin infusion in a bolus dose iv over 15 min

## Toxicology

- STS is generally recognized as safe (GRAS in US)

\* Howell and Taetle 1980; Neuwelt, Brummett et al. 1996

# COG ACCL0431 (Freyer 2016)

## Specific aims

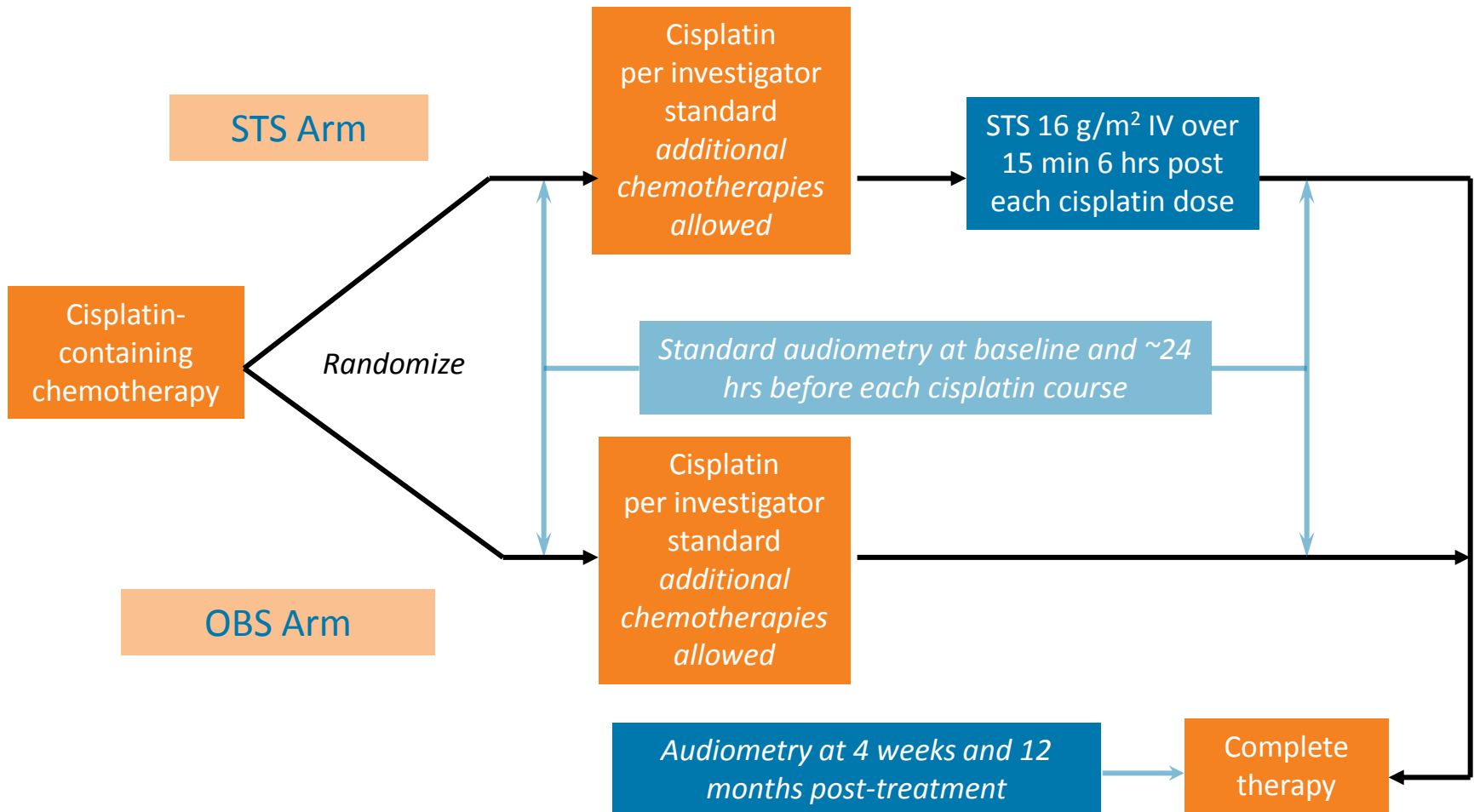
### Primary

- Evaluate efficacy of STS for prevention of hearing loss in children receiving cisplatin chemotherapy (hypothesis: 50% relative reduction in hearing loss). Measured by hearing status at 4 weeks post-therapy defined by American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) criteria:
  - > 20 dB loss at 1 frequency or > 10 dB at 2 consecutive frequencies

### Secondary

- Compare change in mean hearing thresholds
- Compare incidence of other Grade 3/4 toxicities (renal and hematological)
- Monitor EFS and OS in two randomized groups

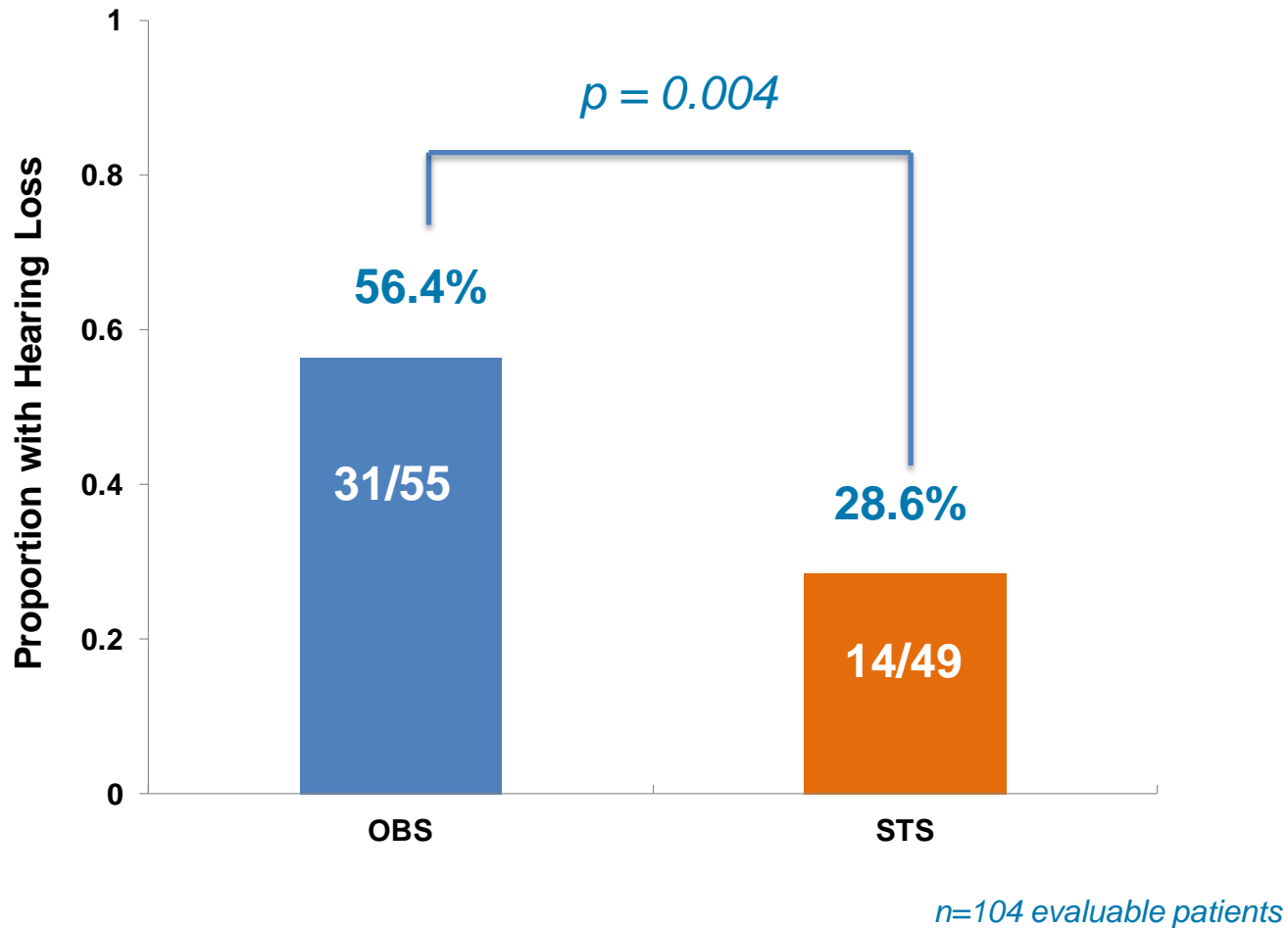
# COG ACCL0431 (Freyer 2016) Study Design



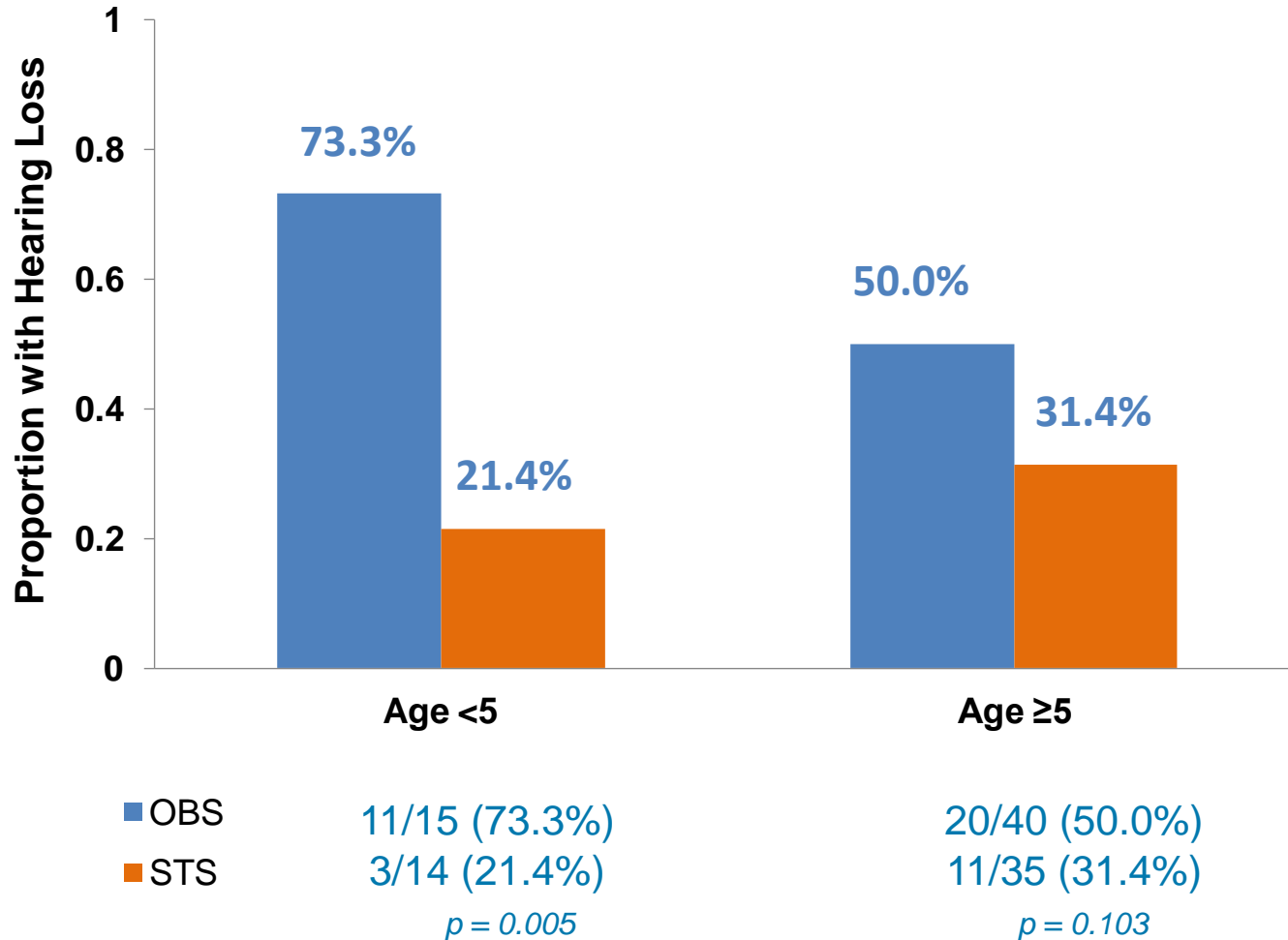
# Participant Characteristics

Characteristic	Treatment			
	Control		STS	
	n	%	n	%
Number eligible	64	-	61	-
Age (years)				
<5	22	34.4	22	36.1
5-9	13	20.3	7	11.5
10-14	14	21.9	16	26.2
15-18	15	23.4	16	26.2
Diagnosis				
Germ cell tumor	16	25.0	16	26.2
Hepatoblastoma	5	7.8	2	3.2
Medulloblastoma/PNET	14	21.9	12	19.7
Neuroblastoma	12	18.8	14	23.0
Osteosarcoma	15	23.4	14	23.0
Other	2	3.1	3	4.9
Extent of disease				
Localized	38	59.4	39	63.9
Disseminated	26	40.6	21	34.4
Unknown	0	0	1	1.6

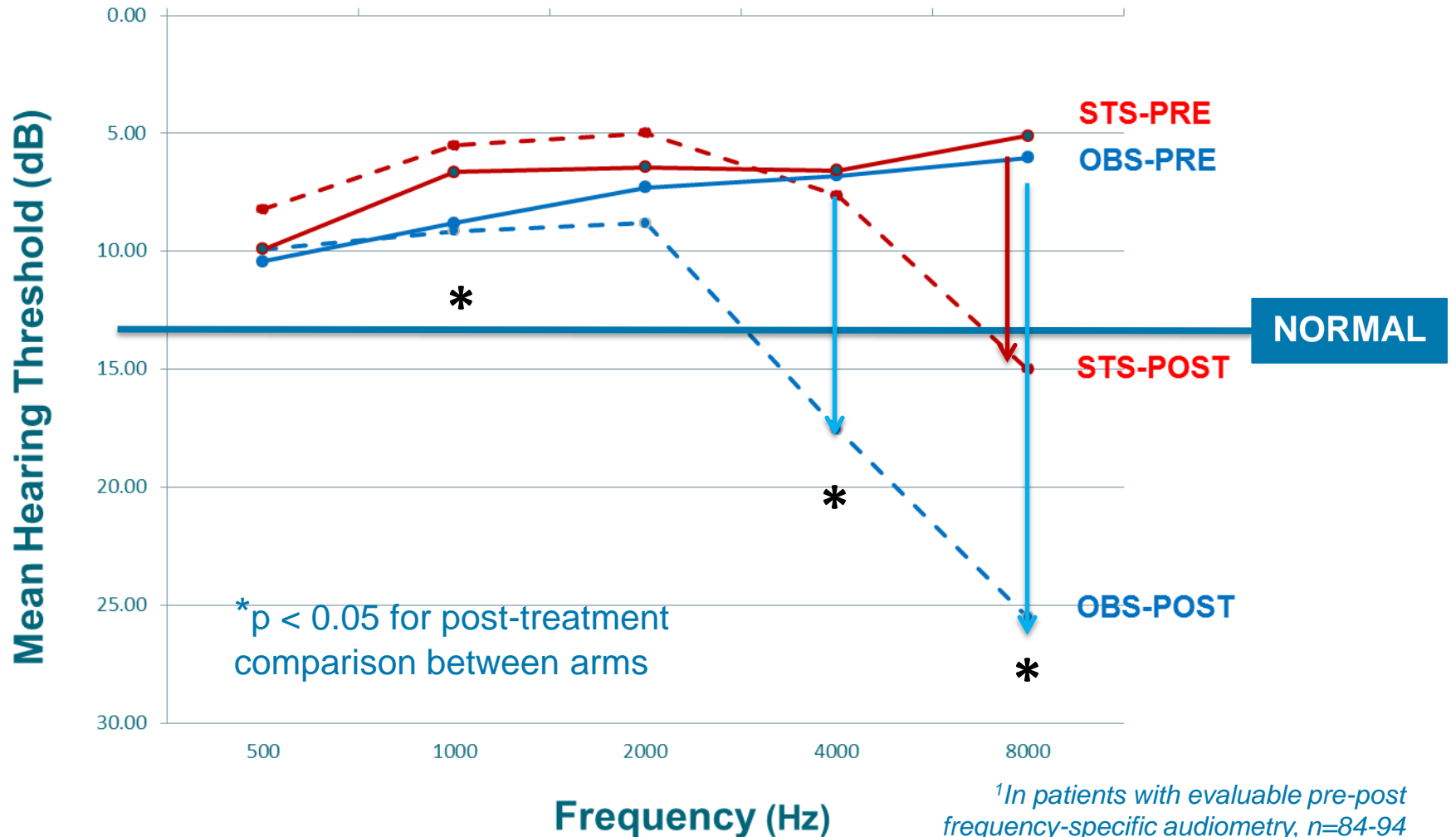
# Hearing Loss By Randomized Arm



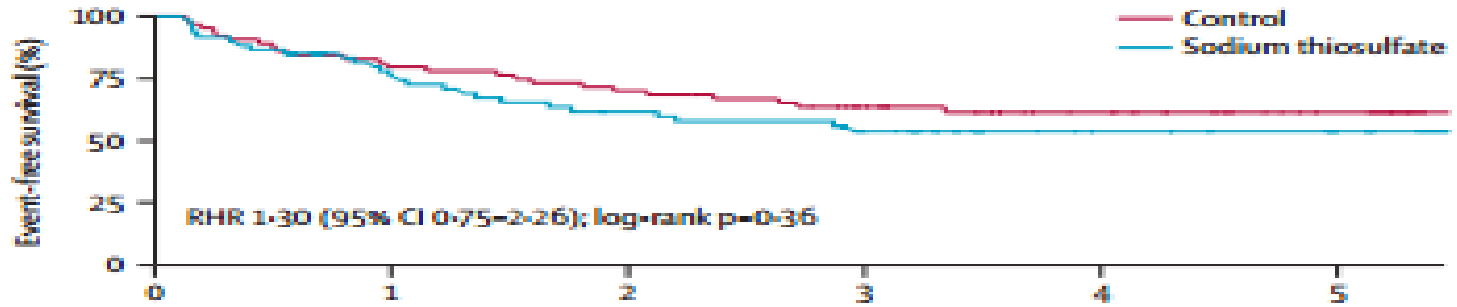
# Hearing Loss By Randomized Arm and Age



# Change in Mean Hearing Thresholds by Randomized Arm<sup>1</sup>

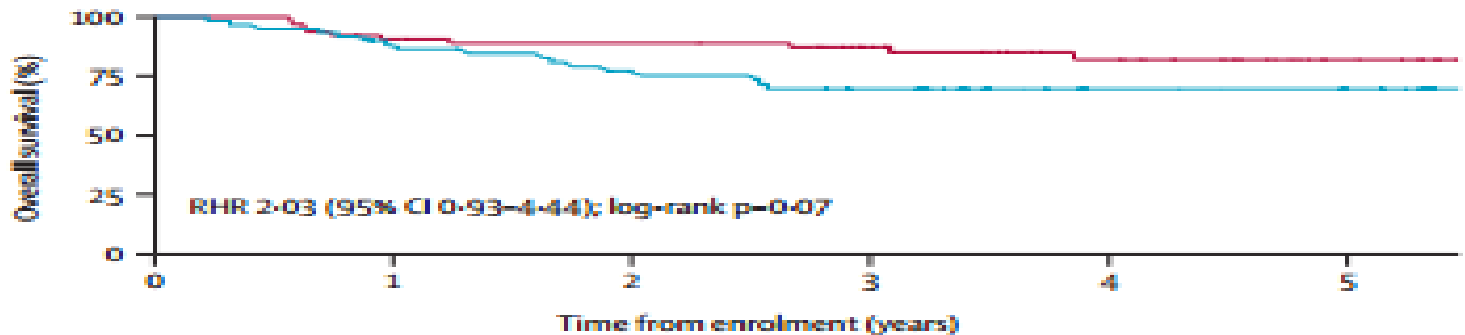


# EFS/OS for All Participants



Number at risk  
(number censored)

	0	1	2	3	4	5
Control	64 (0)	50 (1)	44 (0)	34 (6)	19 (14)	4 (15)
Sodium thiosulfate	61 (0)	43 (3)	32 (3)	25 (3)	10 (15)	6 (4)



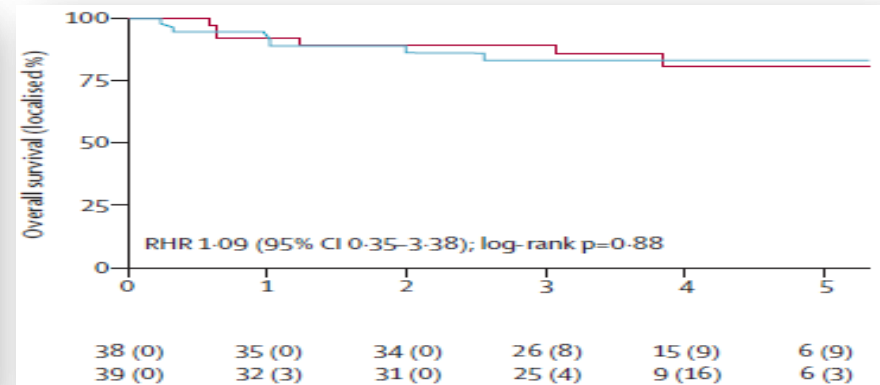
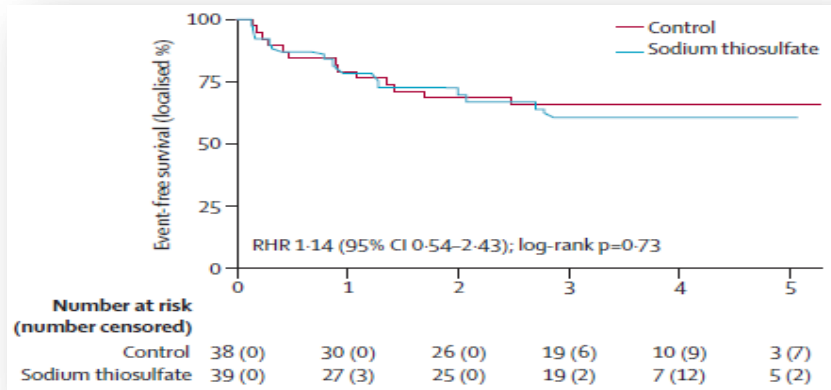
Number at risk  
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	0	1	2	3	4	5
Control	64 (0)	56 (2)	54 (1)	44 (9)	26 (16)	8 (18)
Sodium thiosulfate	61 (0)	50 (3)	41 (3)	32 (5)	13 (19)	8 (5)

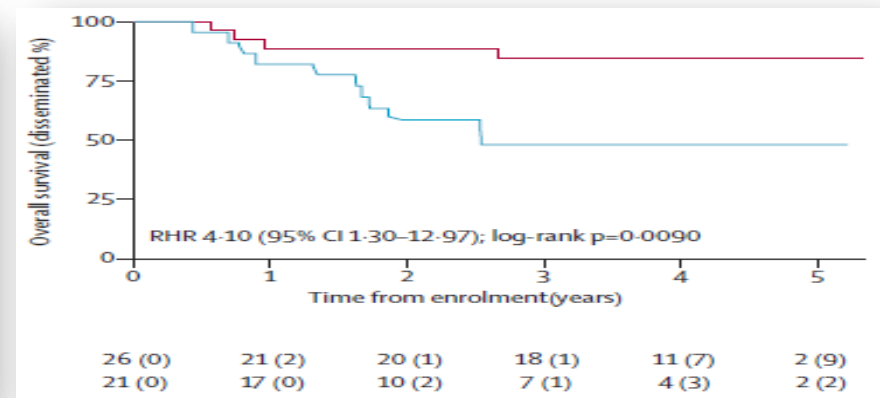
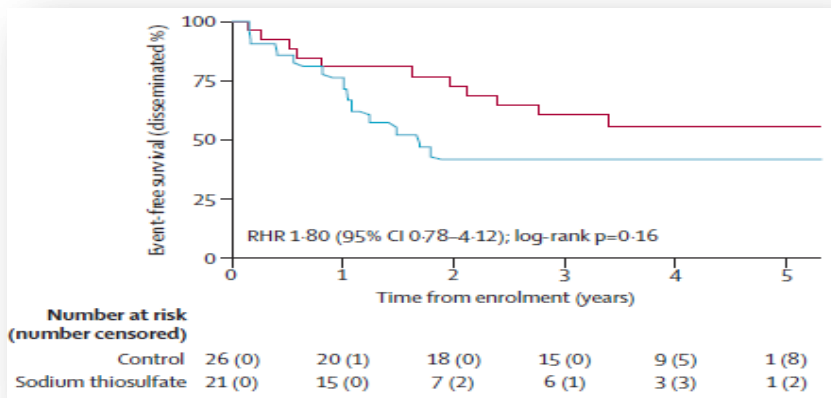


# EFS/OS by Extent of Disease\*

## Localized Disease (n=77)



## Disseminated Disease (n=47)



\*Determined post hoc (ie, retrospectively during the preliminary data analysis after completion of accrual)

# Pivotal Study: SIOPEL 6

## Objectives, Population, and Endpoints

### Objectives

- To assess the efficacy of STS to reduce the hearing impairment caused by Cisplatin in SR-HB
- To carefully monitor any potential impact of STS on response (protocol pre-specified IDMC tumour response review at 20, 40, 60, 80 and 100 patients) to Cisplatin and overall survival

### Study population

- Children 1 month–18 years old with histologically confirmed newly diagnosed SR-HB, PRETEXT I, II or III, serum AFP > 100 µg/L
- First patient in the study enrolled in 2007, last patient in Dec 2014

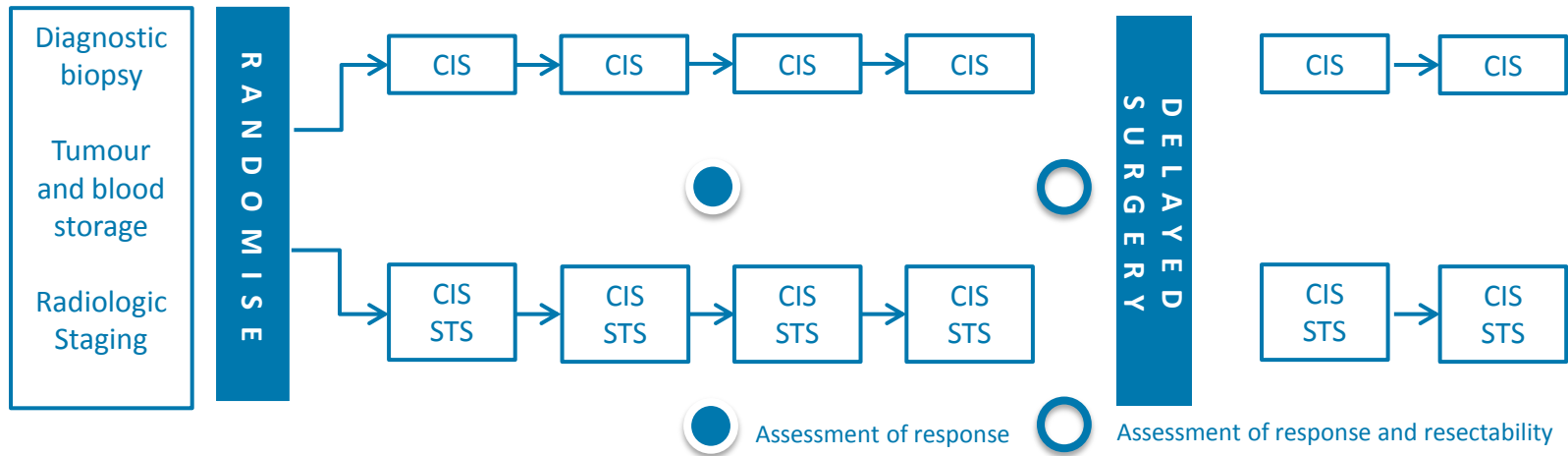
### Primary endpoint

- Centrally reviewed absolute hearing threshold, at the age of  $\geq 3.5$  yrs, by pure tone audiometry, graded by Brock criteria
- 80% power to detect 60% vs. 35% hearing loss

**Secondary endpoints:** response, resection, EFS, OS and long term renal function

# SIOPEL 6

## Study Methods and Design



- cisplatin alone : IV infusion over 6 hrs (80 mg/m<sup>2</sup> for children > 10kg, 2.7 mg/kg for infants and children 5-10kg or 1.8 mg/kg for infants < 5kg),

OR

- cisplatin (same dose) and STS administered IV exactly 6 hours after stop of cisplatin over 15 minutes at 20 g/m<sup>2</sup> for children > 10kg, 15 g/m<sup>2</sup> for infants and children of 5-10 kg or 10 g/m<sup>2</sup> for infants < 5kg
- Stratification by Country, age (above and below 15 months), PRETEXT (I and II vs III)
- Serum sodium monitored 1 hr, 6 hrs and 18 hrs post STS
- Tumour response assessed preoperatively, after 2 and 4 cycles, with serum AFP and liver imaging
- In case of progressive disease: stop STS and add doxorubicin

# SIOPEL 6

## Preliminary Chemotherapy Efficacy

Tumor Response		CIS N=52	CIS+STS N=53
Status at end of treatment	Complete Remission	44 (84.6%)	48 (90.5%)
	Partial Response	4 (7.6%)	5 (9.4%)
	Progressive Disease	2 (4.5%)	0
	Died	1 (1.9%)	0
	Not Evaluable	1 (1.9%)	0
Status at last follow up (October 2016)	Complete Remission	48 (92.3%)	50 (94.3%)
	Partial Remission	0	1 (1.9%)
	Recurrent Disease	0	0
	Death	4 (7.6%)	2 (3.8%)

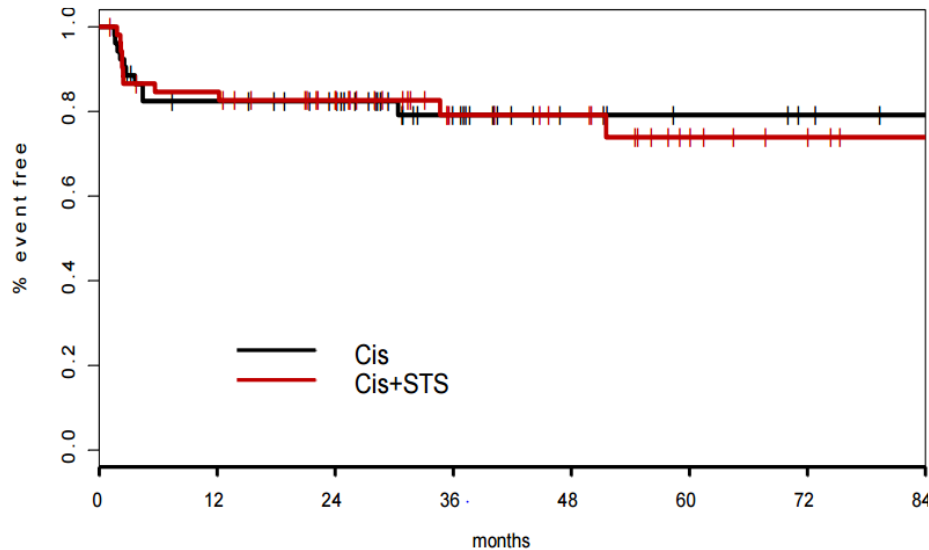
**18 patients received between 1 and 6 courses of doxorubicin (CIS:9; CIS+STS:9)**

# SIOPEL 6

## EFS/OS by Randomized Arm

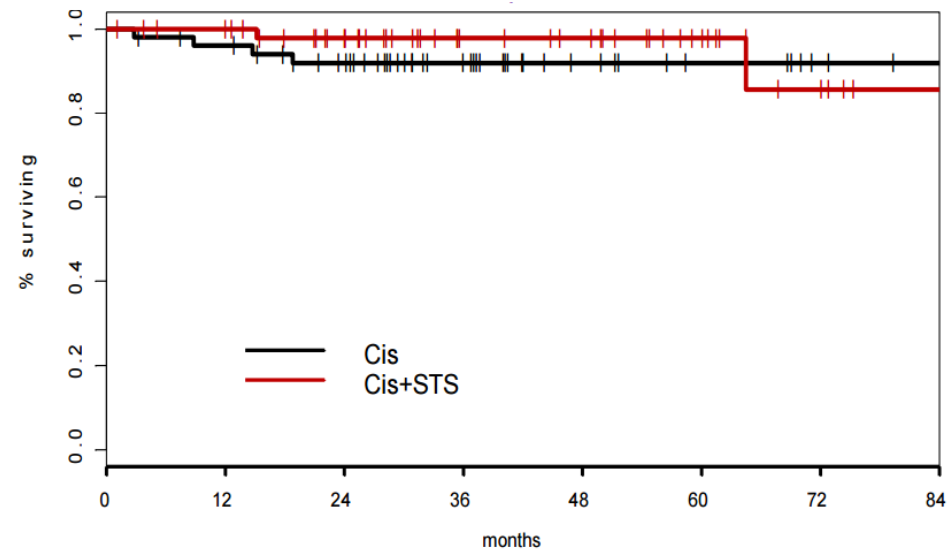
Median Follow-Up 36 Months

EFS



2yr-EFS Cis 82.4%, CIS+STS 82.6%

OS



2yr-OS Cis 91.9%, Cis+STS 97.9%

# Conclusion

- STS prevents cisplatin related hearing loss in the heterogeneous COG ACCL0431 population (Freyer 2016)
- Its effect is even more pronounced in the predefined subgroup of children < 5 years (Freyer 2016)

## SR-HB

- **Homogenous Disease, Excellent Prognosis**
- **Very Young Children** / hearing loss is frequent, irreversible with devastating life long impact on quality of life
- **Specific tumour marker able to detect early recurrence**
- **SIOPEL 6:**
  - Pending results on hearing loss (primary endpoint)
  - STS safe to treat SR-HB with six cycles of cisplatin monotherapy with the delayed addition of STS (ASCO/SIOP 2016)

# European Named Patient Program

- Launched European Named Patient Program (NPP) May 2017 for SR-HB
  - Grants access to STS prior to approval to address serious unmet medical need in pediatric patients with SR-HB, where there is a reasonable expectation that the provision of early access to STS will be otoprotective
  - No charge for SR-HB patients meeting enrollment criteria upon request from treating physician
- Program is governed by rules which vary by country defining access criteria, data collection, promotion and control of drug distribution
  - Intent to commercialize the product in that territory post approval
  - Sole responsibility of the treating physician to ensure the appropriate consents are in place with children and/or their parents

# STS: Development Strategy

EVENT	TIMING
FDA Type C Clinical Development Meeting ✓	Mar 2011
Presented to Pediatric ODAC ✓ ODAC recognized challenge of demonstrating STS does not reduce efficacy of cisplatin and agreed adult study would not be appropriate	Nov 2011
COG ACCL0431 Phase 3 Clinical Data ✓	Jun 2014
SIOPEL 6 Phase 3 Final Interim Safety Analysis (N=100)✓	Feb 2015
SIOPEL 6 34 Months Safety and End of Treatment Anti Tumor Efficacy Results ✓	Jun/Oct 2016
FDA & EMA Regulatory Development Meetings	2017
SIOPEL 6 Final Efficacy and Safety Results	Q4 2017
NDA/MAA Submissions	TBD



# Capital Structure and Share Information

Stock Listings	FRX – TSX, Canada FENCF – OTCQB, USA
Current Share Price	USD \$6.93
Shares Outstanding (millions)	15.6
Market Cap. (millions)	USD \$108.1
Warrants (millions)	1.3 with USD \$1.50 exercise price (Nov. 22, 2018)
Insider Ownership	Approx. 9% fully diluted
Cash@ June 30, 2017	USD \$10.2 million with no debt
2016 Cash Burn	USD \$2.0 million
Institutional Ownership	Southpoint Capital – 25%, Essetifin (Sigma Tau) – 19%, Manchester Mgmt – 13%, 683 Capital – 6%, Varana Capital – 5%, venBio Select Advisor – 5%, Sonic Fund – 2%, Acuta Capital – 2%

# Board of Directors and Management

## **Dr. Khalid Islam** – Chairman

- Chairman and CEO at Gentium S.p.A. - sold to Jazz Pharma for \$1 billion.

## **Dr. Marco Brughera** – Director

- Currently CEO and Global Head of Lediant Bio (Sigma Tau Rare Disease). Successfully out licensed defibrotide US rights to Jazz Pharmaceuticals and sold Oncaspar to Baxalta for \$1 billion.

## **Adrian Haigh** – Director

- Currently SVP and General Manager PTC Therapeutics. Previously COO at Gentium S.p.A. - sold to Jazz Pharma for \$1 billion.

## **Chris Rallis** – Director

- Previously President & COO of Triangle Pharmaceuticals - sold to Gilead for \$500 million.

## **Rosty Raykov** – CEO and Board Member

## **Robert Andrade** – CFO

## **Lei Fang** – Biostatistics

## **Mark Gowland** – Controller

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