

## AACR: LY2835219 promising for metastatic breast cancer

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(HealthDay)—The novel cell cycle inhibitor selective for the cyclin-dependent kinases CDK4 and CDK6 (CDK4/6), LY2835219, shows promise for metastatic breast cancer, according to a study presented at the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research, held from April 5 to 9 in San Diego.

Amita Patnaik, M.D., from South Texas Accelerated Research Therapeutics in San Antonio, and colleagues conducted a phase I study with expansion cohorts to assess the safety, pharmacokinetics, and <u>antitumor activity</u> of LY2835219 in five tumor types. LY2835219 was administered to the expansion cohorts (132 patients) every 12 hours on days one to 28 of a 28-day cycle.

The researchers found that, across expansion cohorts, the most common



possibly related treatment-emergent adverse events included diarrhea, nausea, fatigue, vomiting, and neutropenia. Forty-seven patients with metastatic breast cancer received LY2835219 therapy, nine of whom achieved a best overall response or confirmed partial response, 24 achieved stable disease, 11 had progressive disease, and three were not evaluable for response. Nine of the 36 hormone receptor-positive (HR+) patients had confirmed partial responses, and 20 (56 percent) had stable disease. The disease control rate was 70 percent for all patients and 81 percent for those with HR+ disease.

"When tested on various <u>breast cancer</u> types in preclinical studies, HR+ cells were found to be highly sensitive to this drug," Patnaik said in a statement.

One author disclosed financial ties to Eli Lilly, which developed LY2835219 and funded the study.

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