



## Delcath Systems Announces Investigator-Initiated CHOPIN Clinical Trial Meets Primary Endpoint

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*Conference Call October 20, 8:45am EST*

QUEENSBURY, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 18, 2025-- Delcath Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DCTH), an interventional oncology company focused on the treatment of primary and metastatic liver cancers, today announced the results of the CHOPIN randomized Phase 2 clinical trial (CHOPIN Trial) presented by Principal Investigator and Lead Author Professor Ellen Kapiteijn, MD, from Leiden University Medical Center's Department of Medical Oncology at the 2025 European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) Annual Congress.

### CHOPIN Trial Design

The investigator-initiated, prospective, randomized Phase 2 CHOPIN Trial was designed to compare the safety, tolerability, and efficacy of Delcath's CHEMOSAT<sup>®</sup> Hepatic Delivery System (HDS) with melphalan for percutaneous hepatic perfusion (PHP) when used alone versus when combined with the systemic immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICI) ipilimumab and nivolumab. Patients with metastatic uveal melanoma (mUM) were randomized 1:1 to receive PHP alone or in combination with ipilimumab and nivolumab. CHEMOSAT is the device component of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved combination drug and device product HEPZATO KIT<sup>™</sup> (HEPZATO (melphalan) for Injection/Hepatic Delivery System). HEPZATO KIT is approved for the liver-directed treatment of adult patients with uveal melanoma with unresectable hepatic metastases with less than 50% liver involvement and is administered every six to eight weeks for up to six melphalan/HDS treatments.

Ipilimumab and nivolumab are approved by the FDA and European Union for the treatment of unresectable metastatic melanoma, typically administered intravenously every three weeks for four doses, followed by maintenance nivolumab monotherapy every two to four weeks until disease progression.

The CHOPIN Trial randomized 76 patients 1:1 to receive PHP alone at weeks one and seven (PHP group) or four cycles of ipilimumab (1 mg/kg) and nivolumab (3 mg/kg) every three weeks over approximately nine weeks with two PHP treatments at weeks one and seven (combination group). The CHOPIN Trial design did not include additional PHP treatments beyond two treatments or nivolumab maintenance monotherapy. Once the nine-week treatment period was completed patients were monitored until progression. Key eligibility criteria included unresectable hepatic metastases with 50% or less unresectable disease and limited extrahepatic disease. The primary endpoint was one-year progression-free survival; secondary endpoints included safety, best overall response rate, overall survival, and hepatic progression-free survival.

### CHOPIN Trial Results

#### Key Results from the CHOPIN Phase 2 Trial:

- **Progression-Free Survival (95% CI):**
  - One Year % (95% CI)
    - Combination group: 54.7% (36.8 - 69.5)
    - PHP group: 15.8% (5.8 - 30.1)
  - Median months (95% CI)
    - Combination group: 12.8 (9.2 - 15.4)
    - PHP group: 8.3 (6.0 - 9.6)
  - Hazard Ratio 0.34 (0.19 - 0.60)
  - P<0.001
- **Overall Survival - (95% CI):**
  - One Year % (95% CI)
    - Combination group: 82.8% (65.6 - 91.9)

- PHP group: 82.2% (64.5 - 91.6)
  - Two Year % (95% CI)
    - Combination group: 49.6% (29.3 - 67.0)
    - PHP group: 22.1% (7.9 - 40.6)
  - Median: months (95% CI)
    - Combination group: 23.1 (20.2 - 38.5)
    - PHP group: 19.6 (15.2 - 21.8)
  - Hazard Ratio: 0.39 (0.20 - 0.77)
  - P = 0.006
- **Best Overall Response Rate (95% CI):**
  - Combination group: 76.3 (59.4 - 88.0)
  - PHP group: 39.5 (24.5 - 56.5)
  - P < 0.001

Grade 3 or higher treatment-related adverse events were more frequent in the combination group (81.6% vs. 40.5%, P<0.001), but most were manageable with standard care. Overall, the combination treatment was well tolerated, with types, rates and frequencies of adverse events consistent with individual use of PHP and checkpoint inhibitors. No new safety signals were identified.

The abstract is available at [ESMO Congress 2025 - Mini Oral Session LBA59](#).

“The CHOPIN trial clearly demonstrates that adding ipilimumab and nivolumab to PHP is both effective and tolerable. The efficacy results are impressive, especially when considering the treatment regime included only two PHP treatments and did not include nivolumab maintenance. Since many oncologists start systemic therapy first, this approach provides valuable lead time for patient assessment and scheduling PHP, helping to overcome logistical barriers and support broader adoption and near- to medium-term uptake,” said Gerard Michel, Chief Executive Officer of Delcath Systems.

A number of large, randomized clinical trials shows that patients with liver metastases typically have poorer outcomes than those with metastases elsewhere when treated with ICIs across multiple tumor types, including melanoma, non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC), urothelial carcinoma, and renal cell carcinoma<sup>1, 2</sup>. This diminished efficacy of ICIs has been attributed to the well-documented immunosuppressive nature of the liver microenvironment, with underlying mechanisms increasingly understood through preclinical and clinical research<sup>3</sup>.

“In addition to the potential immediate benefit to patients with metastatic uveal melanoma, the possible synergy of PHP and ICI therapy seen in the successful Phase 2 CHOPIN trial may be transferable to other cancers with liver-dominant disease, and Delcath looks forward to investigating that potential,” said Dr. Vojislav Vukovic, Chief Medical Officer of Delcath Systems.

### Conference Call Information

Delcath Systems, Inc. will host a conference call and webcast on October 20, 2025, at 8:45 a.m. Eastern Time to discuss the Phase 2 CHOPIN Trial results and provide a brief overview of the financial results and guidance announced in this release. Joining Delcath management on the call with pre-recorded remarks will be Dr. Vincent T. Ma, Assistant Professor and Medical Oncologist at the University of Wisconsin Department of Medicine, a current user of HEPZATO KIT for the treatment of metastatic uveal melanoma patients, an expert in treating cutaneous melanoma, and a co-author on the seminal Nature Medicine paper exploring liver immune tolerance mechanisms in cancer.

To participate in this event, dial in approximately 5 to 10 minutes before the beginning of the call.

Event Date: Monday, October 20

Time: 8:45 AM Eastern Time

Participant Numbers:

Toll Free: 1-877-407-3982

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Webcast: [https://viaid.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1738867&tp\\_key=6f3953dd75](https://viaid.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1738867&tp_key=6f3953dd75)

A replay of the webinar will be available shortly after the conclusion of the call and will be archived on the company's website <https://investors.delcath.com/news-events/events-and-presentations>.

### About Delcath Systems, Inc., HEPZATO KIT, and CHEMOSAT

Delcath Systems, Inc. is an interventional oncology company focused on the treatment of primary and metastatic liver cancers. The company's proprietary products, HEPZATO KIT (HEPZATO (melphalan) for Injection/Hepatic Delivery System) and CHEMOSAT Hepatic Delivery System (HDS) for Melphalan percutaneous hepatic perfusion (PHP), are designed to administer high-dose chemotherapy to the liver while controlling systemic exposure and associated side effects during a PHP procedure.

In the United States, HEPZATO KIT is considered a combination drug and device product and is regulated and approved for sale as a drug by the FDA. HEPZATO KIT is comprised of the chemotherapeutic drug melphalan and Delcath's proprietary HDS. The

HDS is used to isolate the hepatic venous blood from the systemic circulation while simultaneously filtering hepatic venous blood during melphalan infusion and washout. The use of the HDS results in loco-regional delivery of a relatively high melphalan dose, which can potentially induce a clinically meaningful tumor response with minimal hepatotoxicity and reduce systemic exposure. HEPZATO KIT is approved in the United States as a liver-directed treatment for adult patients with metastatic uveal melanoma (mUM) with unresectable hepatic metastases affecting less than 50% of the liver and no extrahepatic disease, or extrahepatic disease limited to the bone, lymph nodes, subcutaneous tissues, or lung that is amenable to resection or radiation. Please see the full [Prescribing Information](#), including BOXED WARNING for the HEPZATO KIT.

In Europe, the device-only configuration of the HDS is regulated as a Class III medical device and is approved for sale under the trade name CHEMOSAT Hepatic Delivery System for Melphalan, or CHEMOSAT, where it has been used in the conduct of percutaneous hepatic perfusion procedures at major medical centers to treat a wide range of cancers of the liver.

## Forward-Looking Statements

*The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by Delcath or on its behalf. This press release contains forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the possible synergy seen in the successful Phase 2 CHOPIN Trial being transferable to other cancers with liver-dominant disease; statements regarding the potential of CHEMOSAT Hepatic Delivery System and HEPZATO KIT to improve outcomes for patients with metastatic uveal melanoma and other cancers with liver-dominant disease; statements regarding the potential to drive increased adoption of HEPZATO KIT; statements regarding Delcath's commitment to raising awareness of the innovative approach taken in the CHOPIN Trial, and accelerating the referral of patients to treatment sites; and statements regarding Delcath's continued growth and leadership in liver-directed oncology, which are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, that can cause actual results to differ materially from those described. The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "target," "will," "would" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Factors that may cause such differences include, but are not limited to, uncertainties relating to: the Company's commercialization plans and its ability to successfully commercialize the HEPZATO KIT; contributions to adjusted EBITDA; the Company's successful management of the HEPZATO KIT supply chain, including securing adequate supply of critical components necessary to manufacture and assemble the HEPZATO KIT; successful FDA inspections of the facilities of the Company and those of its third-party suppliers/manufacturers; the Company's successful implementation and management of the HEPZATO KIT Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy; the potential benefits of the HEPZATO KIT as a treatment for patients with primary and metastatic disease in the liver; the Company's ability to obtain reimbursement for the HEPZATO KIT; and the Company's ability to successfully enter into any necessary purchase and sale agreements with users of the HEPZATO KIT. For additional information about these factors, and others that may impact the Company, please see the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including those on Forms 10-K, 10-Q, and 8-K. However, new risk factors and uncertainties may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible to predict all risk factors and uncertainties. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date they are made.*

This release contains forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the expected release of clinical trial results, which are subject to risks and uncertainties. Factors that could affect these forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, delays in the presentation of the data, or other unforeseen issues relating to the release of the clinical trial results. For a detailed discussion of these and other risks, please refer to Delcath's filings with the SEC.

Citations for footnotes:

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