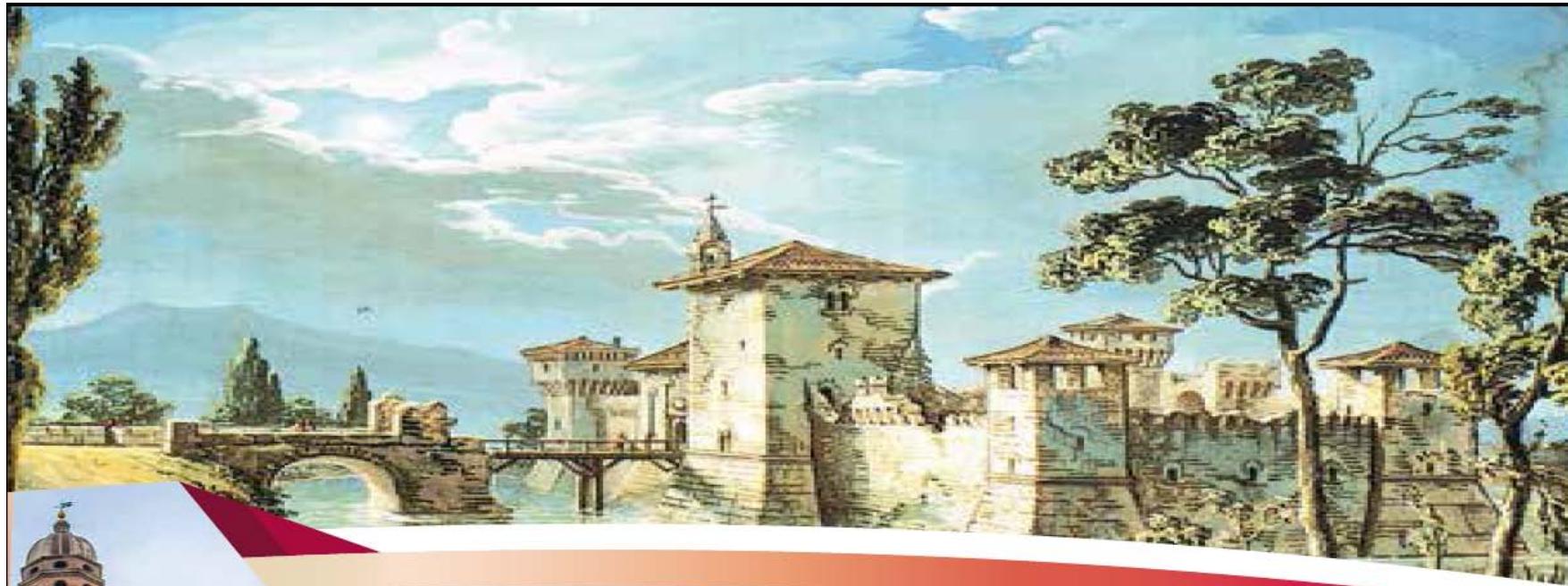


# Innovazioni nella terapia dei Linfomi non Hodgkin



## AGGIORNAMENTI IN EMATOLOGIA

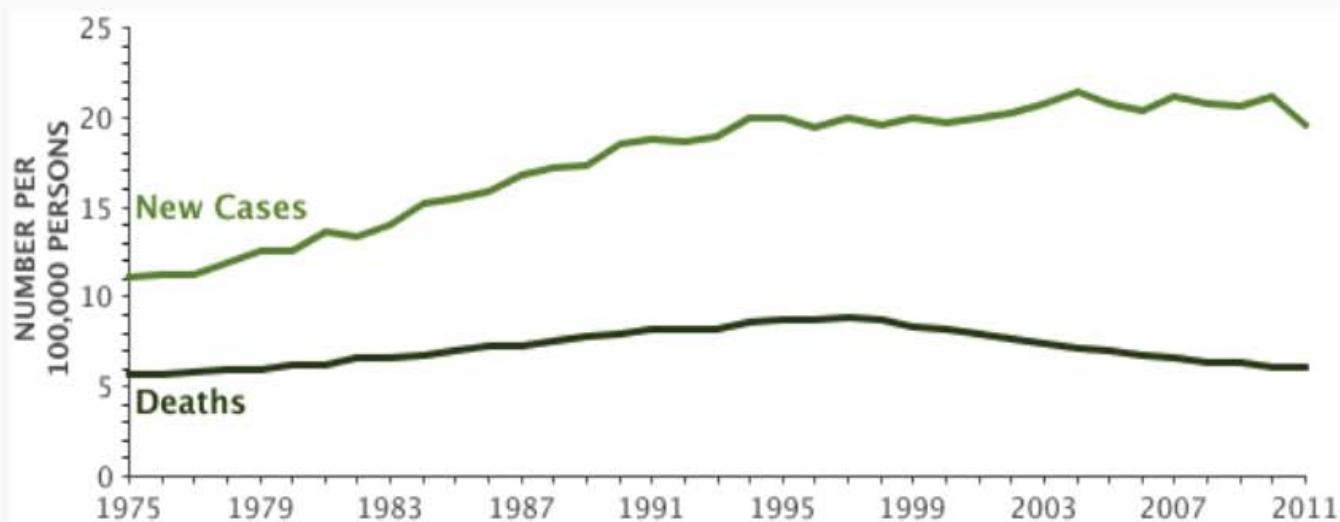
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# Epidemiology of Lymphomas

## New Cases, Deaths and 5-Year Relative Survival

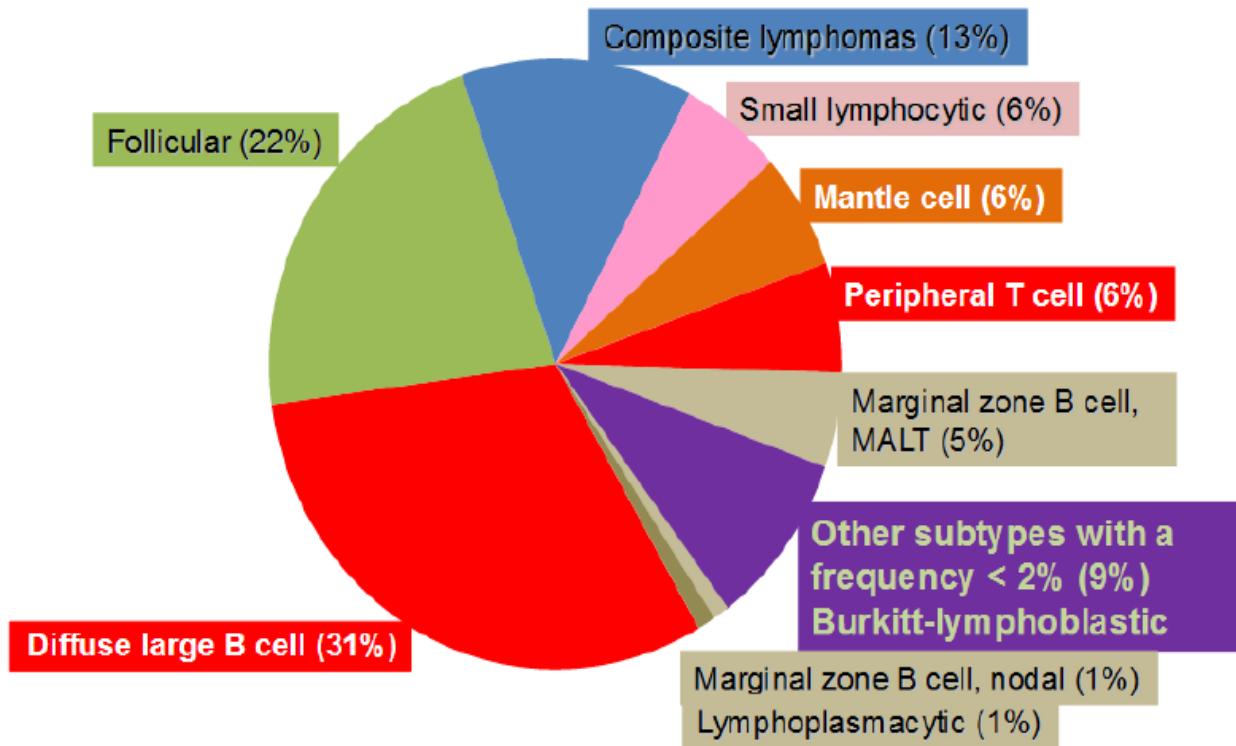
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Year	1975	1980	1985	1990	1994	1998	2002	2006
5-Year Relative Survival	45.8%	49.1%	52.4%	49.7%	52.8%	61.0%	69.3%	70.3%

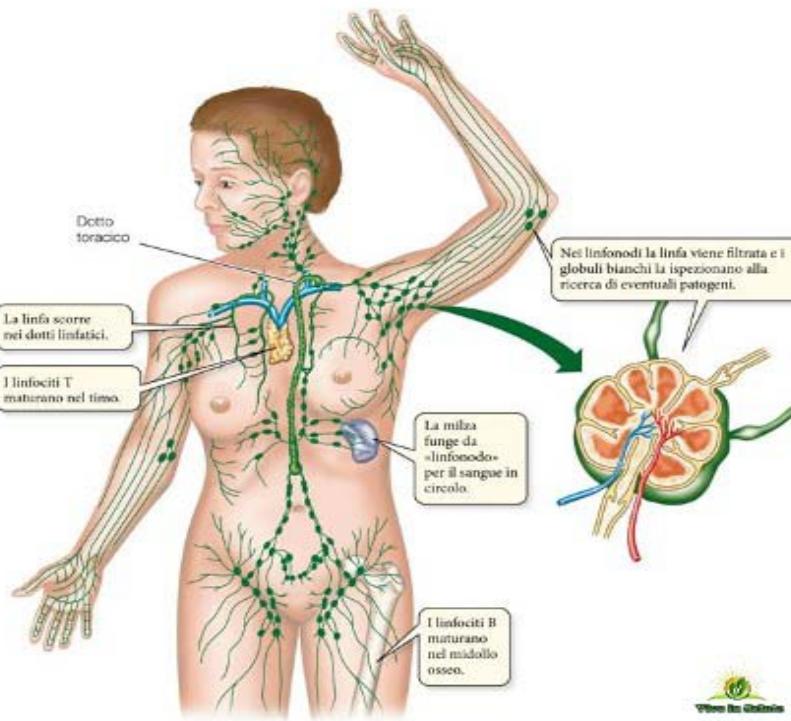
SEER 9 Incidence & U.S. Mortality 1975–2011, All Races, Both Sexes. Rates are Age-Adjusted.

## Prevalence of adult NHL

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# ***LNH B FOLLICOLARE***



## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

### Decision to initiate treatment is based on the assessment of tumour burden

#### GELF<sup>1</sup> criteria for high tumour burden<sup>2</sup>

- High tumour bulk defined by either<sup>1</sup>
  - Three distinct nodal sites, each  $\geq 3$  cm<sup>1</sup>
  - Single nodal site  $\geq 7$  cm<sup>1</sup>
  - Symptomatic splenic enlargement<sup>1</sup>
  - Cytopenias (leukocytes  $<1.0 \times 10^9/L$ , and/or platelets  $<100 \times 10^9/L$ )<sup>1</sup>
  - Circulating lymphoma cells ( $5 \times 10^9/L$ )
  - Peritoneal ascites or pleural effusion<sup>1</sup>
- Presence of B symptoms<sup>1</sup>
- Serum LDH or  $\beta 2$ -microglobulin above normal values<sup>1</sup>
- Performance status  $\geq 1$ <sup>1</sup>

#### BNLI<sup>3</sup> criteria for high tumour burden<sup>2</sup>

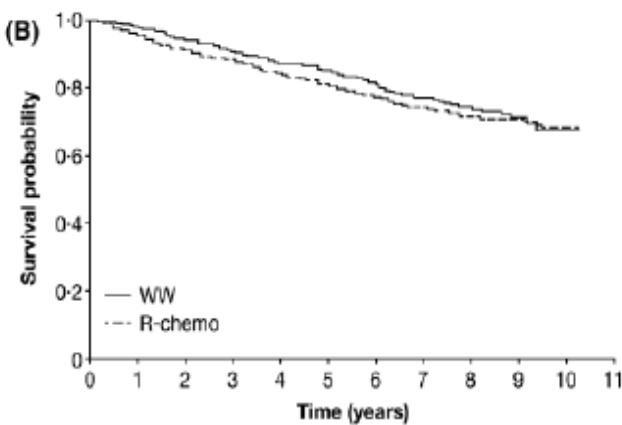
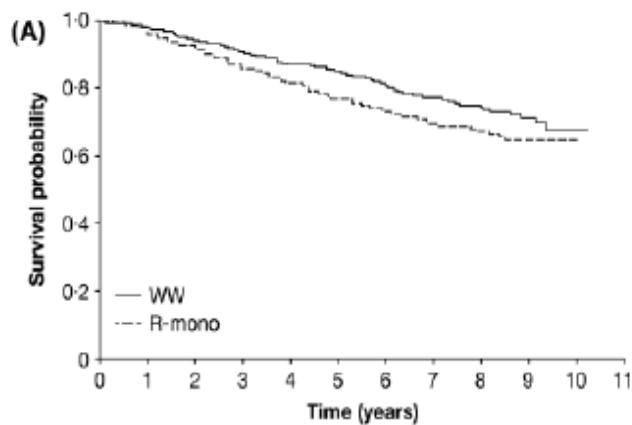
- Progressive disease within 3 months of diagnosis<sup>1</sup>
- Vital organ involvement<sup>1</sup>
- Renal or liver infiltration<sup>1</sup>
- Bone lesions<sup>1</sup>
- B symptoms or pruritus<sup>1</sup>
- Cytopenias (haemoglobin  $<10$  g/dL, leukocytes  $<3.0 \times 10^9/L$ , platelets  $<100 \times 10^9/L$ ; related to marrow involvement)<sup>1</sup>

BNLI: British National Lymphoma Investigation;  
GELF: Groupe d'Etude des Lymphomes Folliculaires; LDH:  
lactate dehydrogenase

- 1. Brice P, et al. *J Clin Oncol* 1997; 15:1110–1117.
- 2. Smith SM. *Hematology Am Soc Hematol Educ Program* 2013; 2013:561–567.
- 3. Ardeshta KM, et al. *Lancet* 2003; 362:516–522.

## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE Watch & Wait

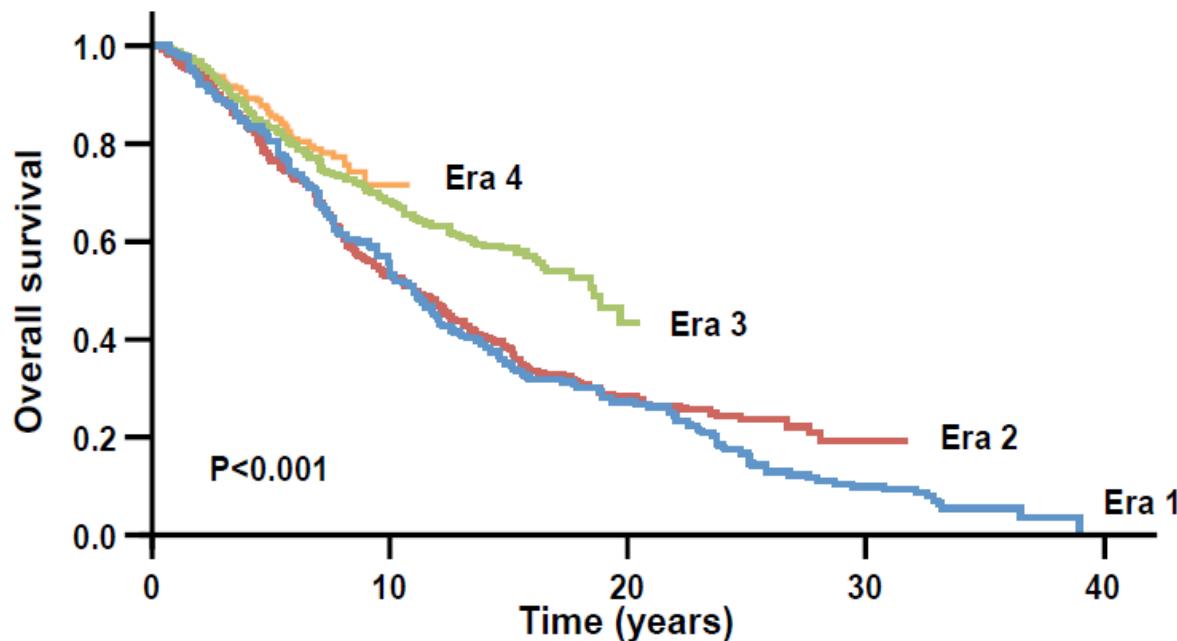
- 1754 patients diagnosed 2004-2007 in the United States (retrospective study)
  - initial watchful waiting (n=386)
  - initial rituximab monotherapy (n=296) better TtoCT
  - initial chemoimmunotherapy (n=1072) better PFS1, PFS2, .TtoNT
- 8-year overall survival estimates of 74%
- No differences between W/W, RTX and CT-RTX



**“initial management with watchful waiting in the context of sequential therapy remains a viable option for FL patients in the modern era”**

## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

# Improvements in OS over multiple decades attributable to effective new treatment options



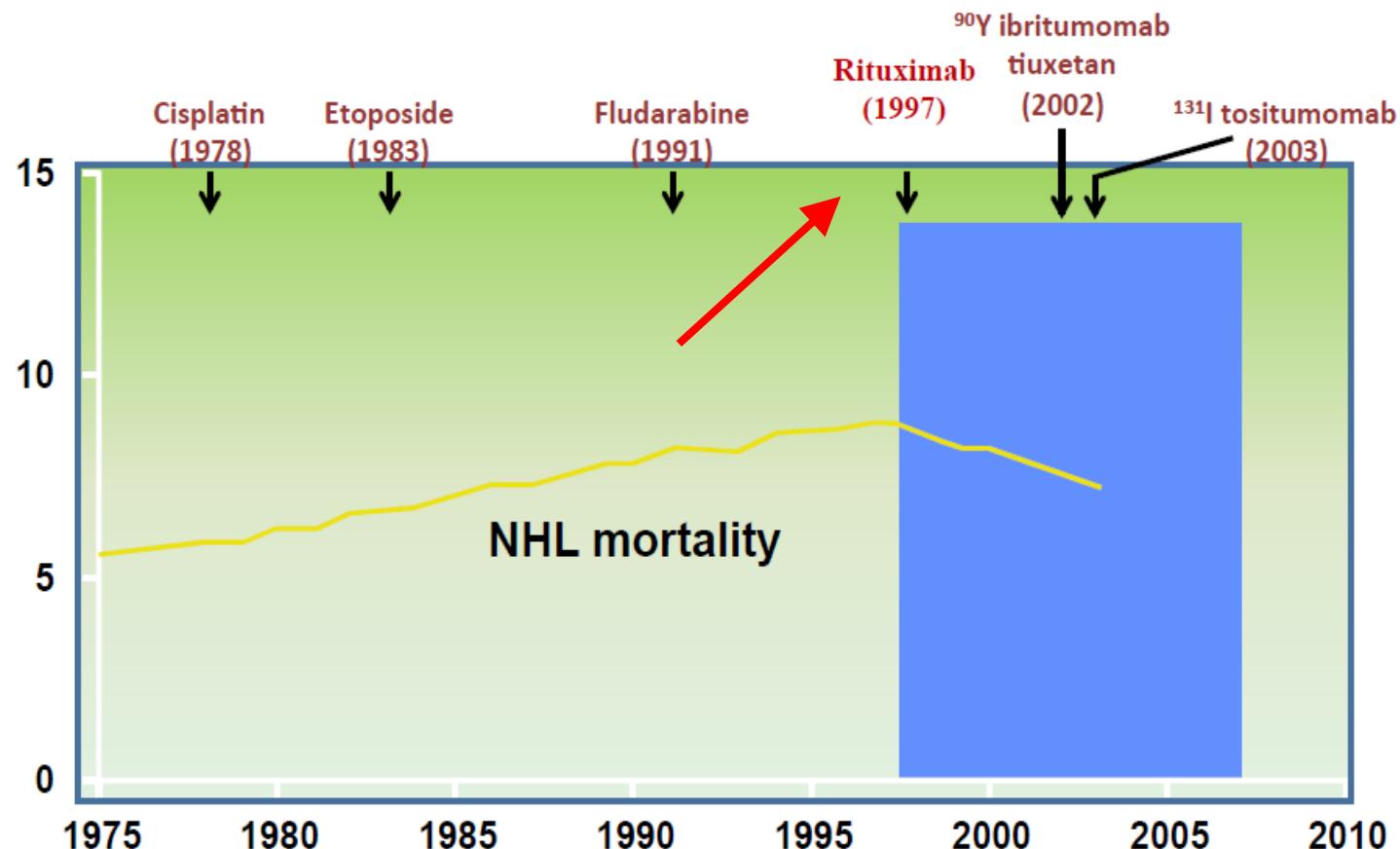
Era	Year	N	Median OS (years)
1: Pre-anthracycline	1960–1975	180	11.0
2: Anthracycline	1976–1986	426	11.0
3: Aggressive chemo/purine analogues	1987–1996	471	18.5
4: Rituximab	1997–2003	257	Not reached

OS: overall survival

Tan D, et al. *Blood* 2013; 122:981–987.

## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

# Immunotherapy has changed the clinical course of NHL

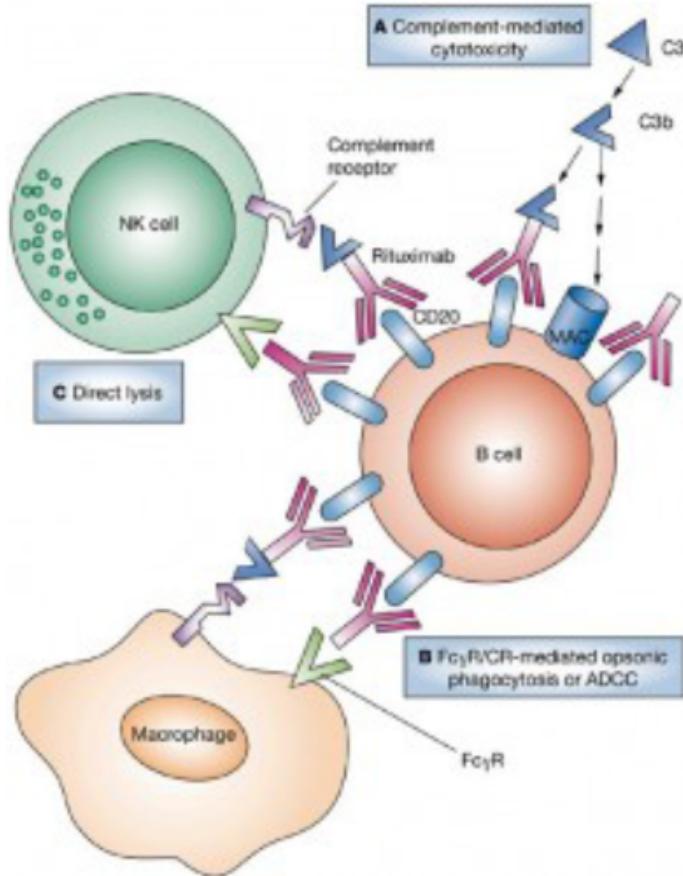


\* Age-adjusted to 2000 US standard population

Adapted from Molina A. *Annu Rev Med* 2008; 59:237–250.

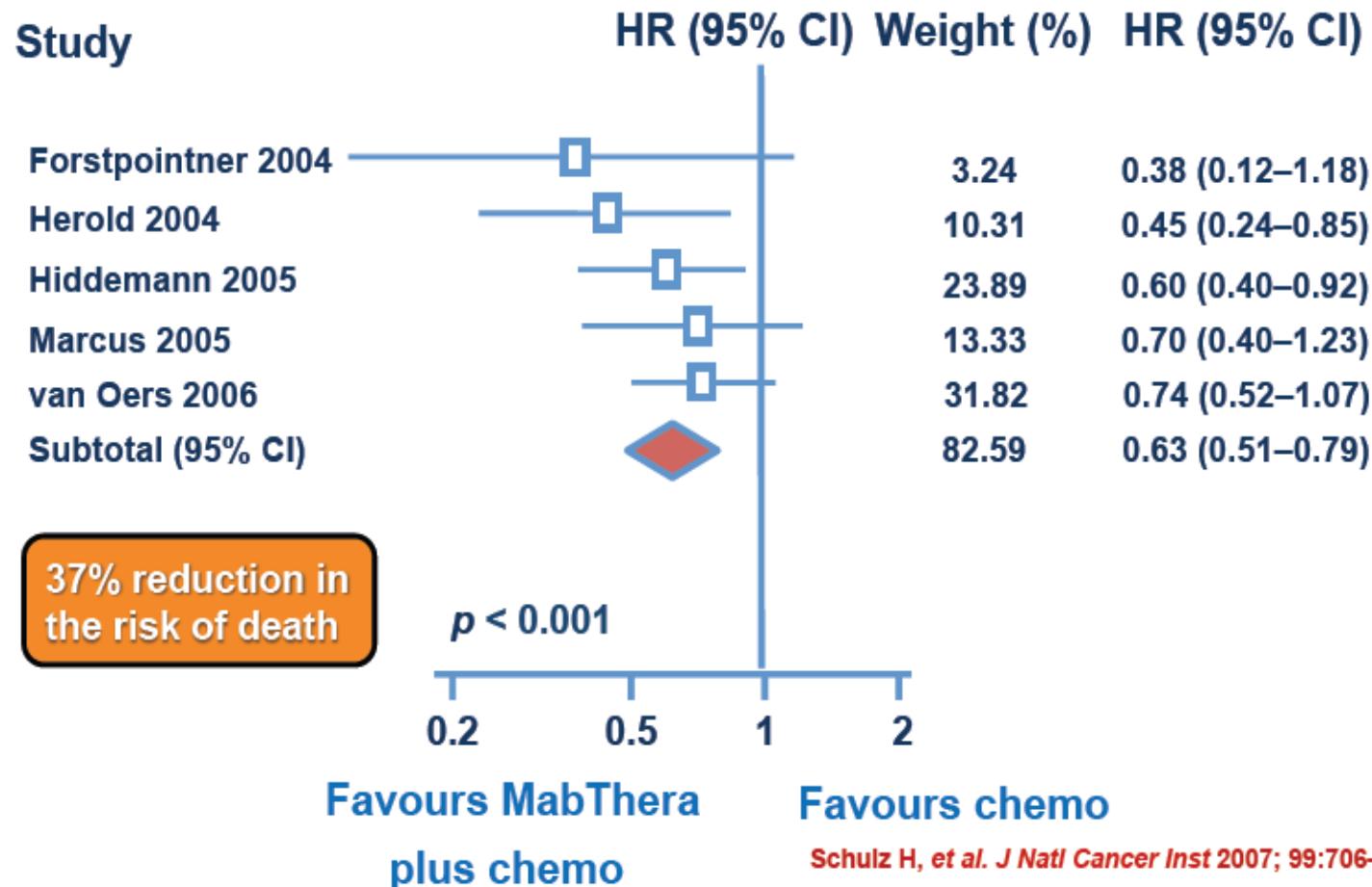
# RITUXIMAB

- E' un anticorpo monoclonale chimerico murino/umano ottenuto con tecniche di ingegneria genetica diretto contro l'antigene CD 20 espresso sulla superficie dei linfociti B;
- Introdotto in ambito ematologico nella sua formulazione endovenosa a partire dal Marzo 2001;
- Meccanismo d'azione:
  - CDC Attività citotossica complemento mediata
  - ADCC attività citotossica anticorpo dipendente cellulo-mediata
  - Apoptosi



## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

**MabThera plus chemo consistently improves overall survival vs chemo alone in FL**



# Standard Frontline Therapy for FL

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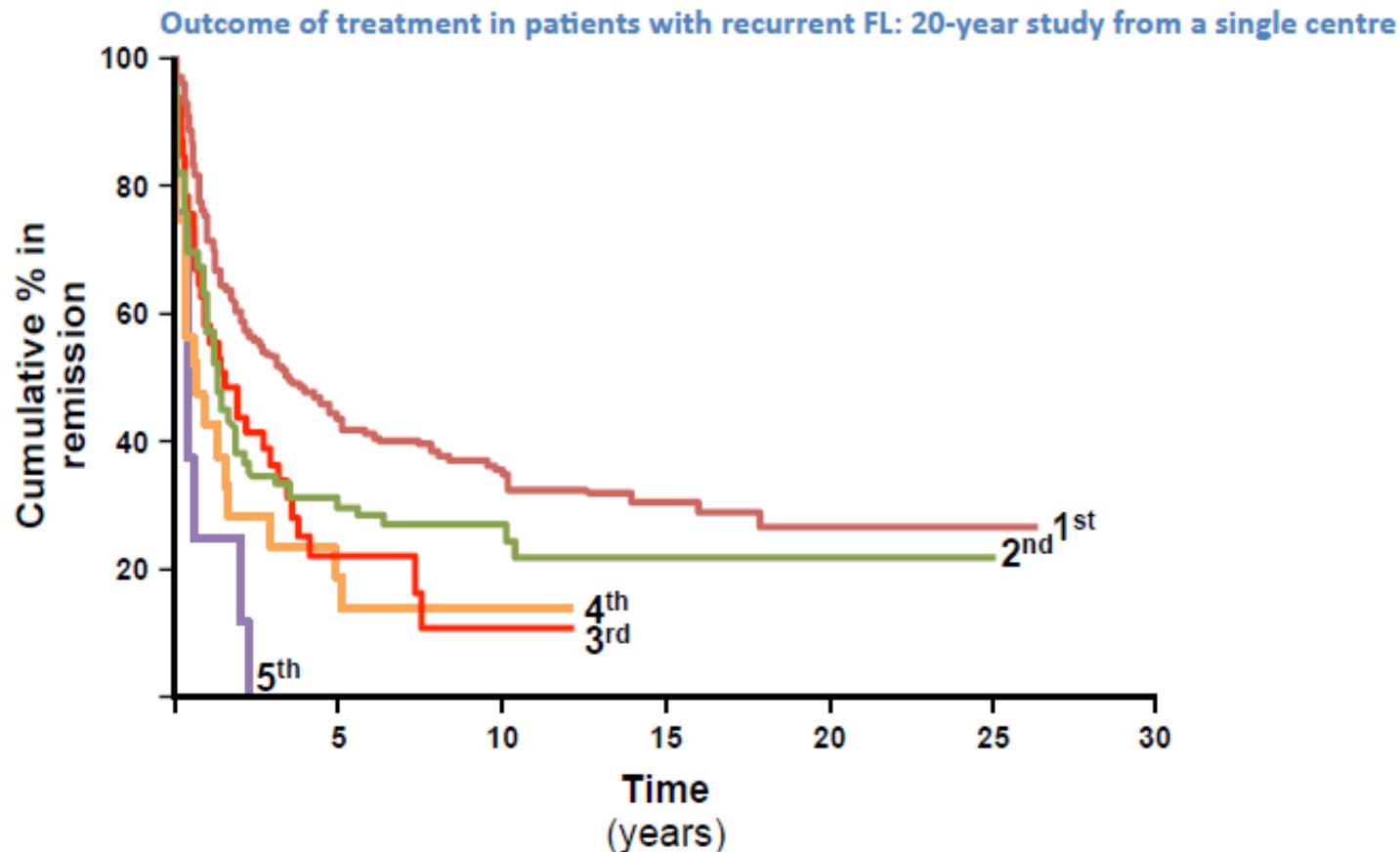
- The standard of care for the past few decades<sup>[a]</sup>
  - R-CHOP (FOLL05 Trial)<sup>[b]</sup>
  - Chemoimmunotherapy with bendamustine + rituximab (StIL group trial and BRIGHT trial)<sup>[c,d]</sup>
  - Single-agent rituximab<sup>[e]</sup>
  - Lenalidomide + rituximab<sup>[f]</sup>

a. NCCN Guidelines®. B-cell Lymphomas.V3.2017; b. Federico M, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2013;31:1506-1513; c. Rummel MJ, et al. *Lancet.* 2013;381:1203-1210; d. Flinn IW, et al. *Blood.* 2014;123:2944-2952; e. Witzig TE, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2005;23:1103-1108; f. Fowler NH, et al. *Blood.* 2012;120:901.

## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

Important to remember the old data

### FOLLICULAR LYMPHOMA: DURATION OF REMISSION



- Adapted from Johnson PWM A et al. J Clin Oncol 1995;13:140–147

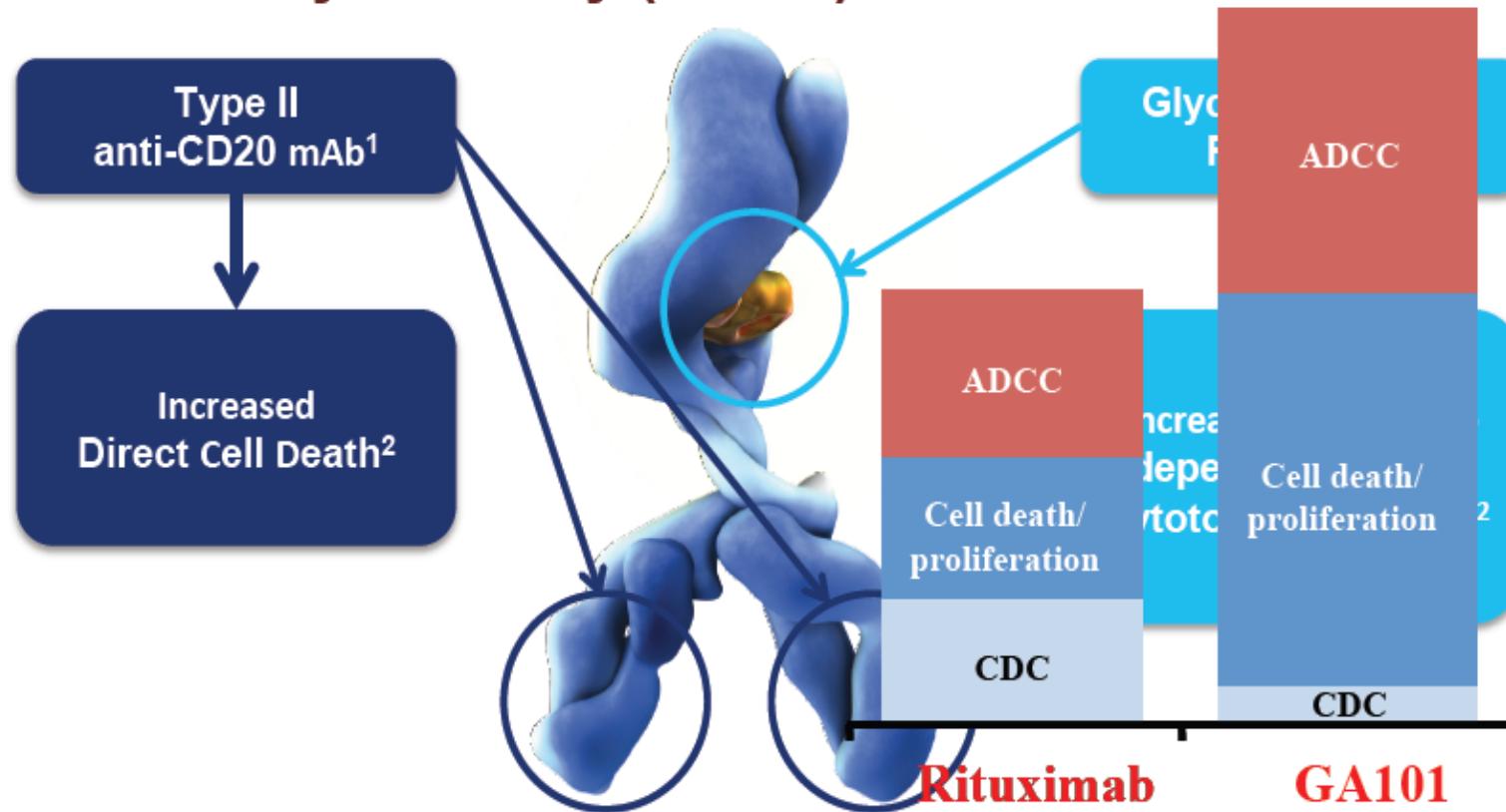
Updated based on personal communication to speaker

# Novel Anti-CD20 MoAbs for Relapsed/ Refractory Indolent NHL

MoAb	Phase	Efficacy
Ofatumumab	I/II	Dose (ORR): 300 mg (63%), 500 mg (33%), 700 mg (20%), 1000 mg (50%)
	II	ORR: 11%, 6-mo PFS in 116 patients with rituximab-refractory FL
Veltuzumab	I/II	IV administration: ORR: 44%; CR: 27% DOR in patients with FL: 19.7 mos Subcutaneous administration: ORR: 53% CR: 20% in patients with indolent NHL
Ocrelizumab	I/II	ORR: 38%; PFS: 11.4 mos in patients with FL
GA101	II	Low dose (400 mg; n = 18): 17% ORR High dose (1600/800 mg; n = 22): 55% ORR

## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

# GA101: Designed for increased antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC) and Direct Cell Death

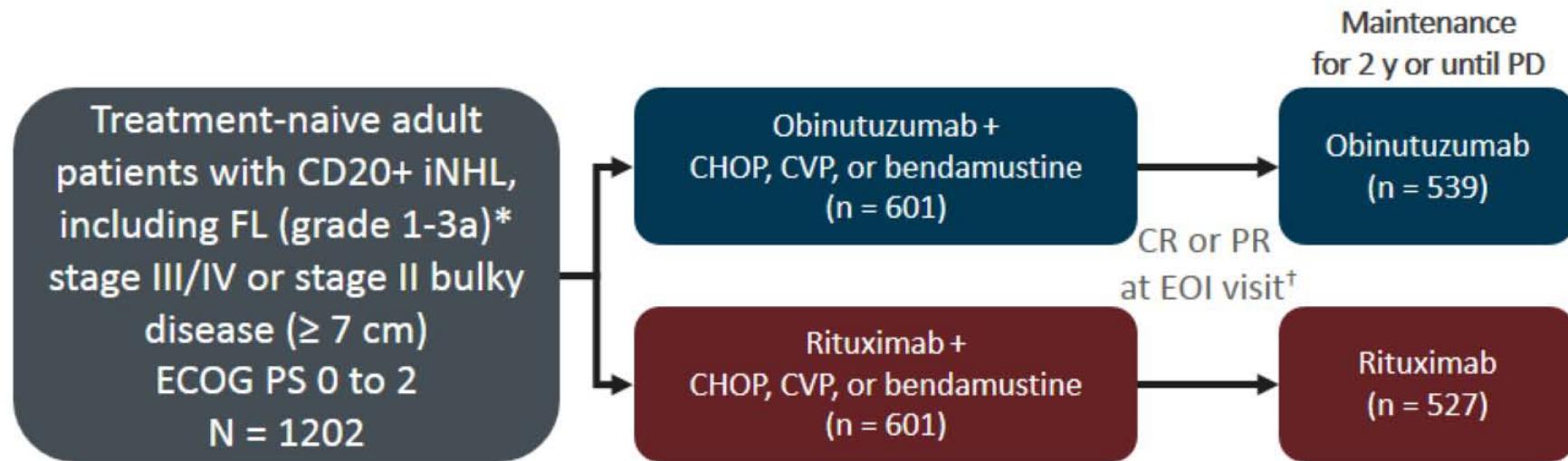


Extensive clinical development program to evaluate the superiority of GA101 over rituximab in multiple head-to-head trials

1. Niederfellner G, et al. *Blood* 2011; 118:358–367. 2. Mössner E, et al. *Blood* 2010; 115:4393–4402.

# GALLIUM Trial

## Phase 3—Rituximab vs Obinutuzumab



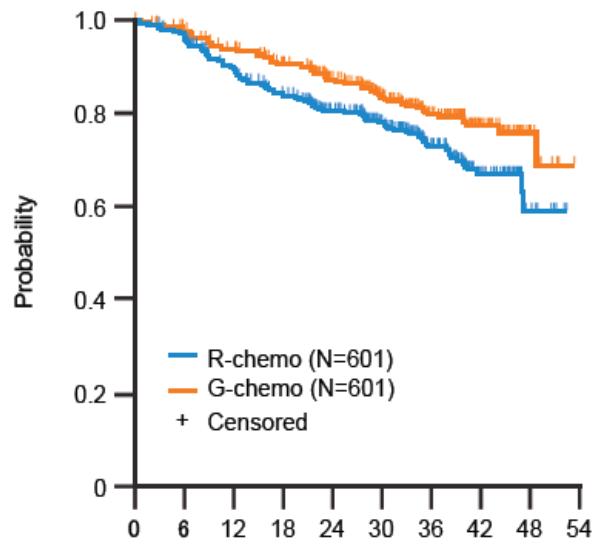
- Primary endpoint: investigator-assessed PFS in patients with FL
- Secondary endpoints: IRC-assessed PFS (confirmatory), OS, EFS, DFS, DoR, TTNT, CR/ORR at EOI ( $\pm$  FDG-PET), safety

\*All data presented for patients with FL. Study also enrolled patients with MZL, who were randomly assigned separately.

<sup>†</sup>Patients with SD at EOI followed up to 2 y for PD.

Marcus RE, et al. *Blood*. 2016;128: Abstract 6.

## INV-assessed PFS (FL; primary endpoint)



No. of patients at risk		Time (months)										
R-chemo	601	562	505	463	378	266	160	68	10	0		
G-chemo	601	570	536	502	405	278	168	75	13	0		

\*Stratified analysis; stratification factors: chemotherapy regimen, FLIPI risk group, geographic region

	R-chemo, n=601	G-chemo, n=601
Pts with event, n (%)	144 (24.0)	101 (16.8)
3-yr PFS, % (95% CI)	73.3 (68.8, 77.2)	80.0 (75.9, 83.6)
HR (95% CI), p-value*	0.66 (0.51, 0.85), p=0.0012	

Median follow-up: 34.5 months

**34% reduction in the risk of progression or death**

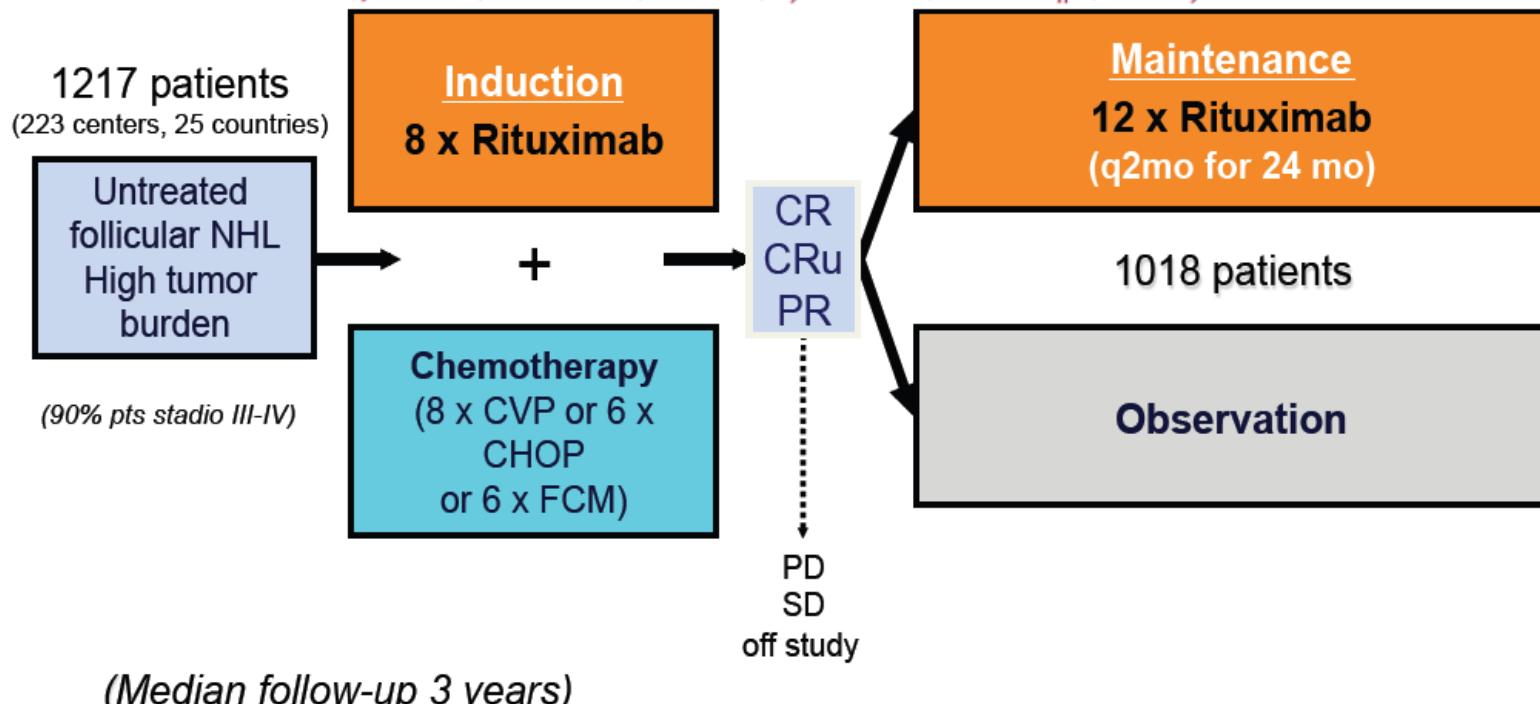
## Safety summary (FL)

% (n)	R-chemo (n=597)	G-chemo (n=595)
Any AE	98.3% (587)	99.5% (592)
Grade ≥3 AEs (≥5% in either arm)	67.8% (405)	74.6% (444)
Neutropenia	37.9% (226)	43.9% (261)
Leucopenia	8.4% (50)	8.6% (51)
Febrile neutropenia	4.9% (29)	6.9% (41)
IRRs*	3.7% (22)	6.7% (40)
Thrombocytopenia	2.7% (16)	6.1% (36)
Grade ≥3 AEs of special interest by category (selected)		
Infections†	15.6% (93)	20.0% (119)
IRRs‡	6.7% (40)	12.4% (74)
Second neoplasms§	2.7% (16)	4.7% (28)
SAEs	39.9% (238)	46.1% (274)
AEs causing treatment discontinuation	14.2% (85)	16.3% (97)
Grade 5 (fatal) AEs	3.4% (20)	4.0% (24)**
Median (range) change from baseline in IgG levels at end of induction, g/l	-1.46 (-16.4–9.1)††	-1.50 (-22.3–6.5)‡‡

\*As MedDRA preferred term; †All events in MedDRA System Organ Class 'Infections and Infestations'; ‡Any AE occurring during or within 24h of infusion of G or R and considered drug-related; §Standardized MedDRA query for malignant or unspecified tumors starting 6 mo after treatment start; ¶Ig levels were measured during screening, at EOI and end of maintenance and during follow-up; \*\*Includes patient who died after clinical cut-off date from AE starting before cut-off date; ††n=472; ‡‡n=462

→ Rituximab maintenance for 2 years in patients with high tumour burden follicular lymphoma responding to rituximab plus chemotherapy (PRIMA): a phase 3, randomised controlled trial

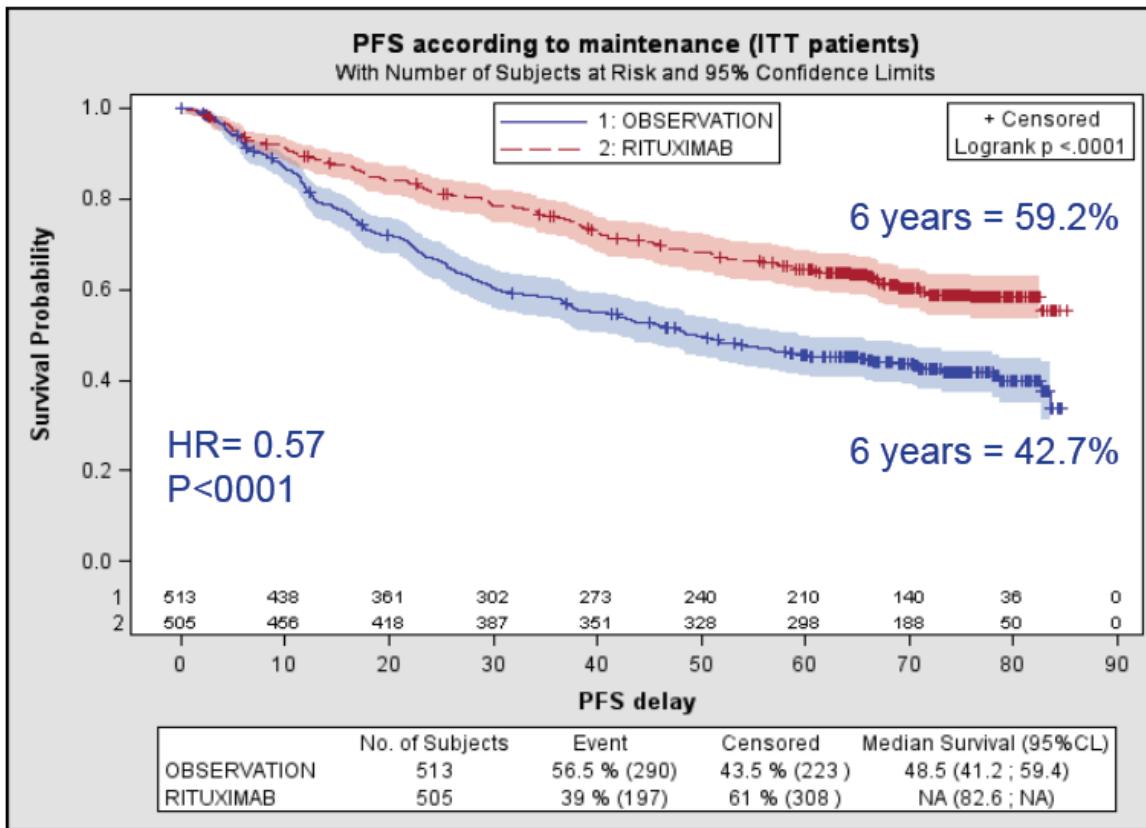
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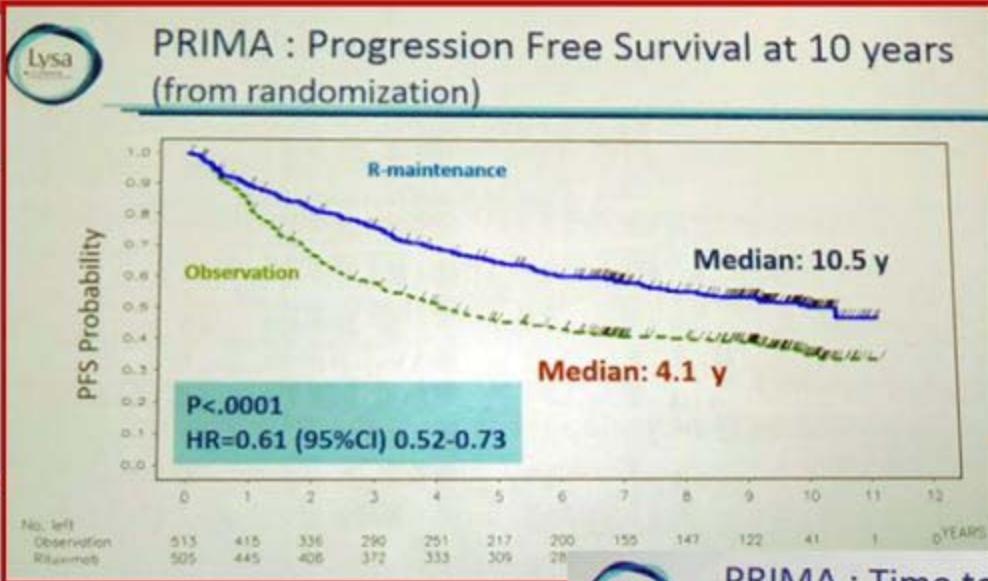
Salles GA, et al. Lancet 2011;377:42-51.

# PRIMA 6 years follow-up

## Progression free survival from randomization



Salles et al. ASH 2013

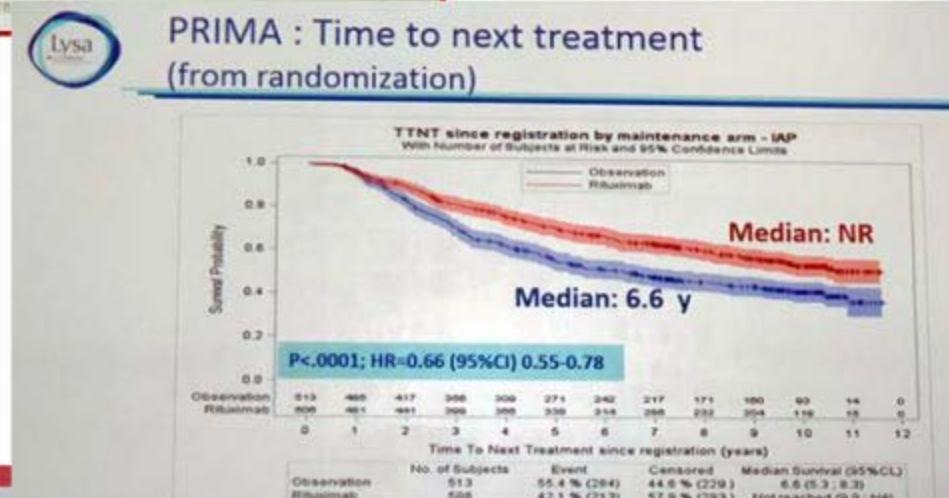


**10-yrs PFS:**

- R-maintenance: 51%
- observation: 35%

**Benefit in R-arm in all 3 FLIPI groups**

Despite lack of OS benefit  
(80% in the two groups),  
>50% pts in R-arm remain  
disease-progression free



## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

### Microenvironment

Lenalidomide

T-cell exhaustion

### Actionable mutations

EZH2  
E7438

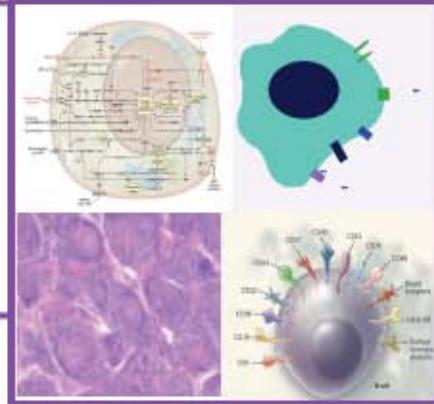
CD79a/b  
AEB071

Proteasome inhibitors  
Bortezomib

Bcl-2 family inhibitors  
ABT-263

Survivin inhibitors  
YM155

Syk inhibitors  
Fostamatinib + others



### Surface markers

Anti CD20 moAb  
Ofatumumab  
GA-101

Anti CD40 moAb  
Dacetuzumab

Anti CD22  
Epratuzumab  
Inotuzumab Ozogamicin  
polatuzumab

HDAC inhibitors  
Vorinostat  
Panobinostat

PKC inhibitors  
Enzastaurin

Aurora kinase  
inhibitors

Nedd8-activating  
enzyme inhibitors  
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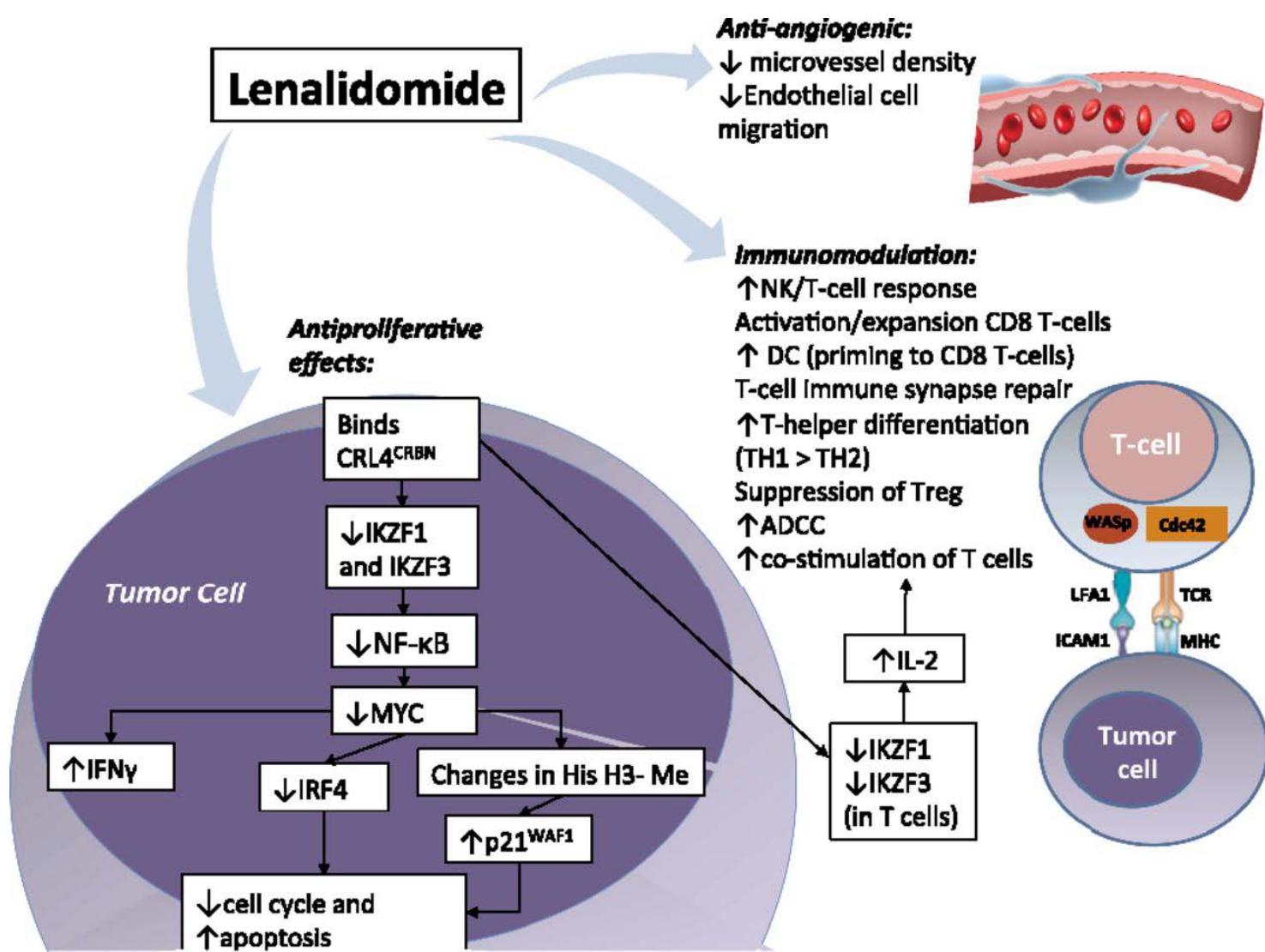
### Pathways

mTOR inhibitors  
Everolimus  
Tensirolimus

PI3K inhibitors  
Idelalisib  
Copanlisib  
Duvelisib  
TGR-1202

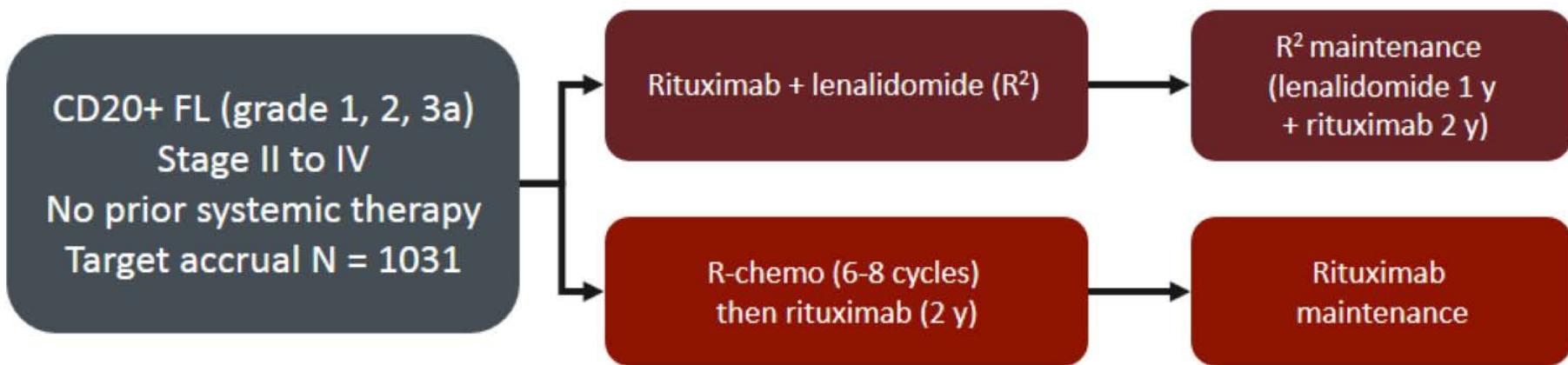
Btk inhibitors  
Ibrutinib  
ONO/GS-4059  
ACP-196

Hsp 90 inhibitors  
KW 2478



# RELEVANCE Trial

Ongoing Phase 3 Trial—Lenalidomide + Rituximab<sup>[a]</sup>



- R-chemo: investigator's choice of R-CHOP, R-CVP, or BR
- Primary endpoint: CR/Cru rate at 120 wk, PFS
- Secondary endpoint: EFS, TTNT, OS, MRD using PCR, and HRQoL
- In a single-center trial, patients with untreated FL who received the combination of rituximab + lenalidomide had an ORR of 98% and a CR rate of 87%<sup>[b]</sup>

a. ClinicalTrials.gov. NCT01650701.

b. Fowler NH, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2014;15:1311-1318.

# Relevance Trial



December 21, 2017

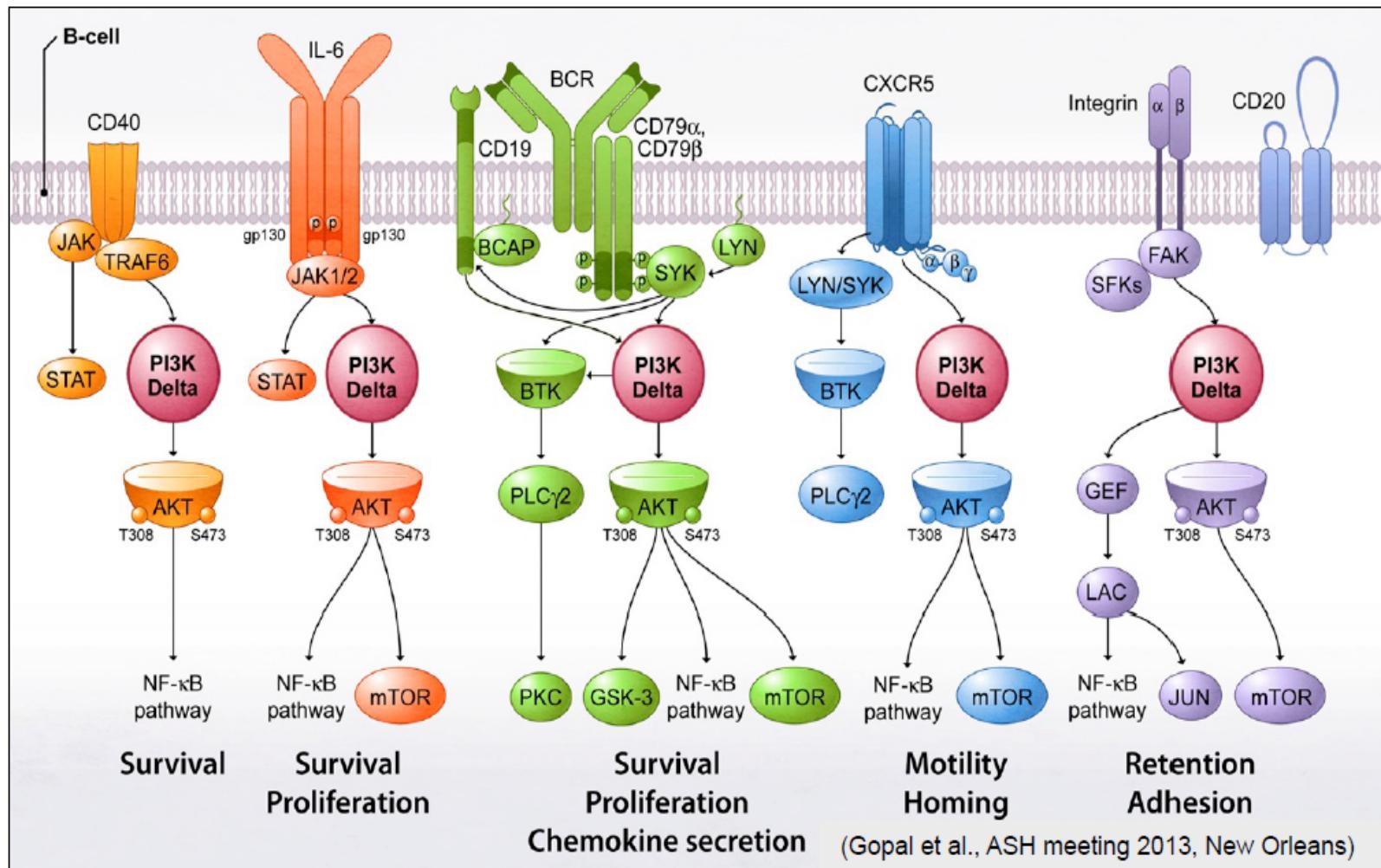
## Celgene and LYSARC Provide Update on Phase III 'RELEVANCE' Study of REVIMID® in Combination with Rituximab (R<sup>2</sup>) for the Treatment of Previously Untreated Patients with Follicular Lymphoma

SUMMIT, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Celgene Corporation (NASDAQ:CELG) and the Lymphoma Study Association (LYSA) today announced that the Lymphoma Academic Research Organisation (LYSARC) reported results from a phase III, randomized, open-label, international clinical study (RELEVANCE).

This investigational study evaluated REVIMID plus rituximab (R<sup>2</sup>) followed by R<sup>2</sup> maintenance compared to the standard of care with rituximab plus chemotherapy (R-CHOP, R-bendamustine or R-CVP) followed by rituximab maintenance in patients with previously untreated follicular lymphoma.

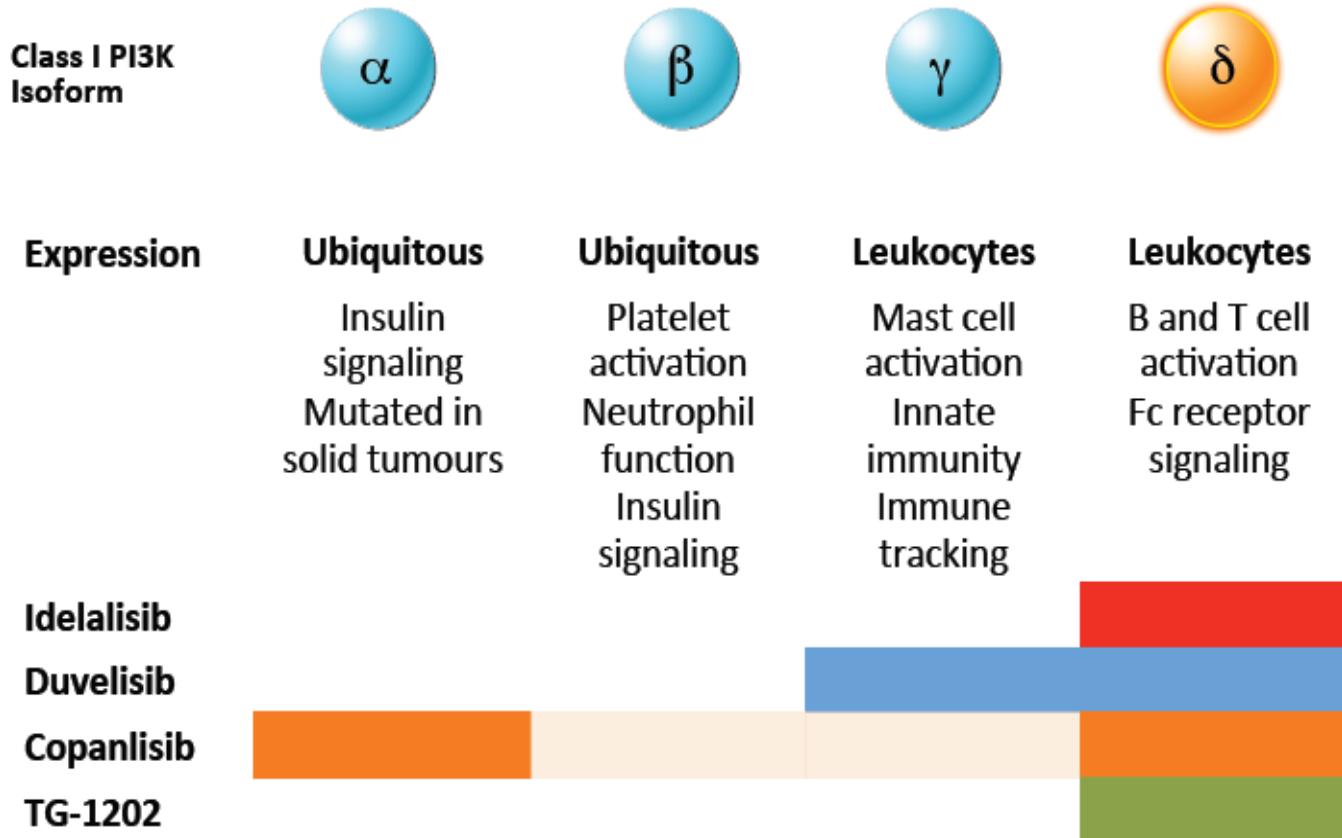
The R<sup>2</sup> treatment arm did not achieve superiority in the co-primary endpoints of complete response or unconfirmed complete response (CR/CRu) at 120 weeks and progression-free survival (PFS) during the pre-planned analysis (final analysis of CR/CRu and interim analysis of PFS). Neither arm was superior for either of the co-primary endpoints. The safety findings were consistent with the known profiles of the regimens investigated. Additional analyses are ongoing and planned.

# PI3K $\delta$ Inhibition Impacts Multiple Critical Pathways in iNHL



## LINFOMA FOLLICOLARE

# INHIBITORS OF PI3K



# Phase 2 Trial of Idelalisib Monotherapy in R/R FL

Patients with grade 1 to 3A FL treated with  $\geq$  2 prior therapies and refractory to both rituximab and an alkylating agent<sup>[a]</sup>

Idelalisib  
150 mg bid

Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

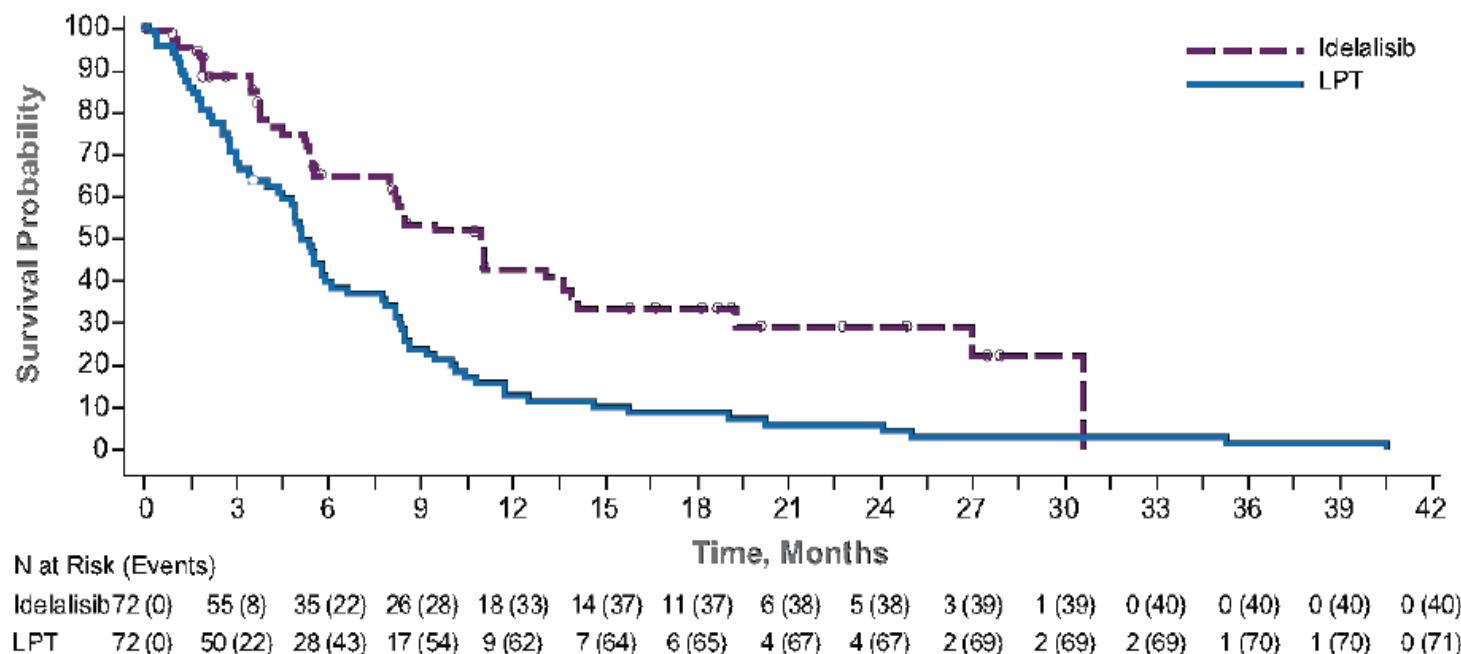
Parameter	Results (N = 72) <sup>[b]</sup>
ORR (95% CI)	55.6 (43.4, 67.3)
CR, %	14
PR, %	42
Median DoR, mo (95% CI)	10.8 (0, 26.9)
Median PFS, mo (95% CI)	11.0 (0, 30.6)
2-year OS (at 24 mo), %	69.8

Idelalisib is approved for the treatment of relapsed FL in patients who have received at least 2 prior systemic therapies<sup>[c]</sup>

a. Gopal AK, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2014;370:1008-1018; b. Salles G, et al. *Haematol.* 2017;102:e156-e159;  
c. Zydelig® (idelalisib) PI 2016.

## Comparison of PFS With Previous Line of Therapy Before Study

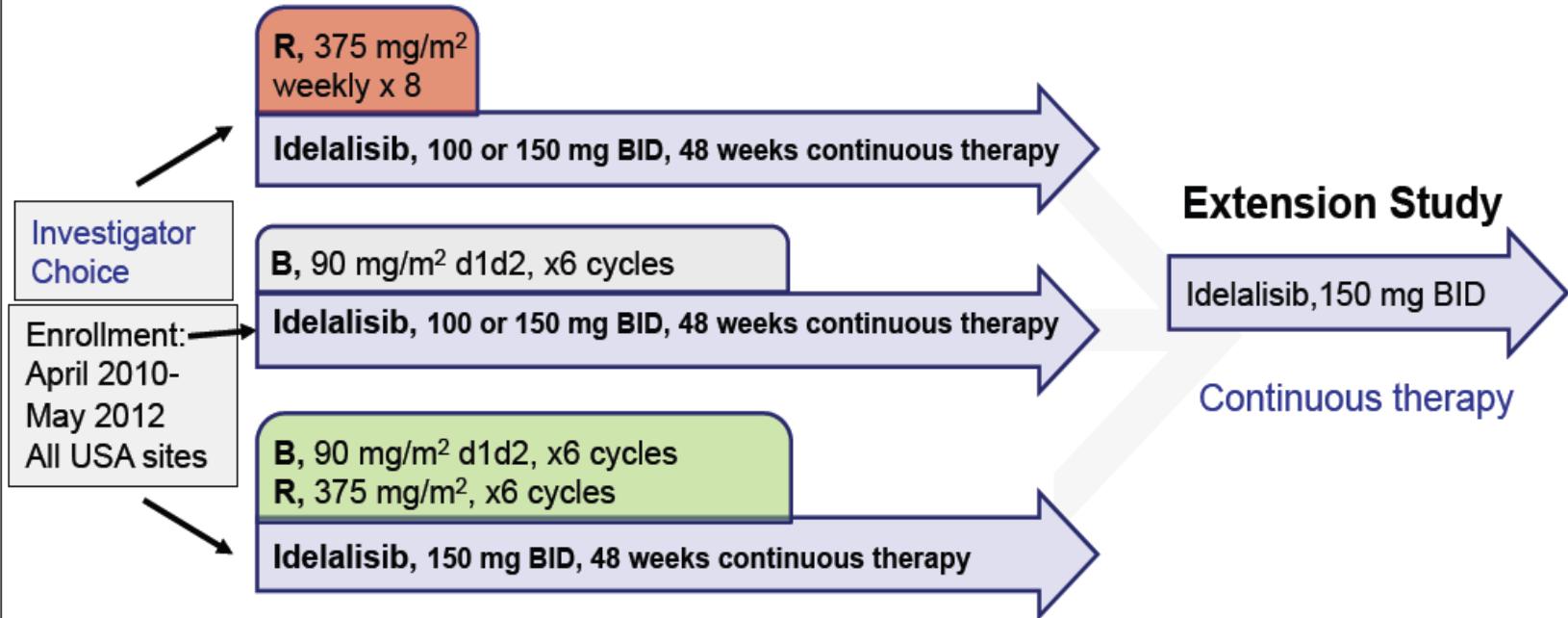
Median PFS of the most recent regimen: was 5.1 (4.4–6.0) mo



# Adverse Events

Event or Abnormality	Grade	
	Any no. (%)	≥3 no. (%)
Adverse event	103 (82)	68 (54)
Diarrhea	54 (43)	16 (13)
Nausea	37 (30)	2 (2)
Fatigue	37 (30)	2 (2)
Cough	36 (29)	0
Pyrexia	35 (28)	2 (2)
Decreased appetite	22 (18)	1 (1)
Dyspnea	22 (18)	4 (3)
Abdominal pain	20 (16)	3 (2)
Vomiting	19 (15)	3 (2)
Upper respiratory tract infection	18 (14)	0
Weight decreased	17 (14)	0
Rash	16 (13)	2 (2)
Asthenia	14 (11)	3 (2)
Night sweats	14 (11)	0
Pneumonia	14 (11)	9 (7)
Peripheral edema	13 (10)	3 (2)
Headache	13 (10)	1 (1)
Hematopoietic laboratory abnormality		
Decreased neutrophils	70 (56)	34 (27)
Decreased hemoglobin	35 (28)	2 (2)
Decreased platelets	32 (26)	8 (6)
Chemical laboratory abnormality		
Increased ALT	59 (47)	16 (13)
Increased AST	44 (35)	10 (8)
Increased alkaline phosphatase	28 (22)	0
Increased bilirubin	13 (10)	0

# 101-07: Idelalisib Phase 1b Combination Study in iNHL 3 groups, non-randomized



## Disease assessments:

- Weeks 0, 8, 16, 24
- Every 12 weeks thereafter
- Investigator determined

## Endpoints:

- Safety (Primary)
- Dose selection
- Pharmacokinetics
- Pharmacodynamics
- Efficacy

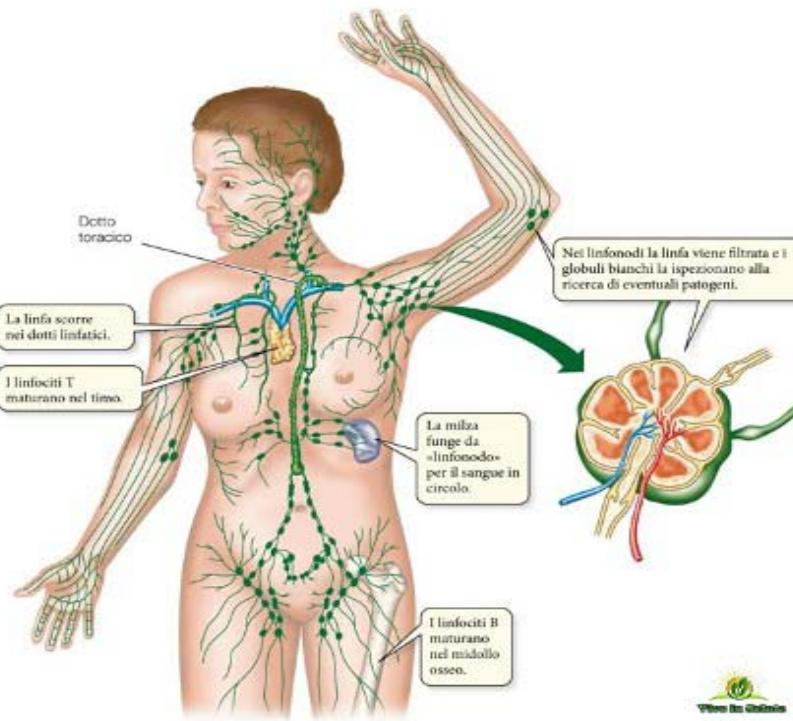
## 101-07: Summary and Conclusions

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- ◆ High response rates with Idelalisib in combination
  - ORR 81% overall
- ◆ Durable response
  - Median PFS 37 months
  - DOR at 36 months 55%
- ◆ Manageable safety profile with treatment up to >3 years with no unexpected toxicities in combination
- ◆ Data provide strong support for Phase 3 trials in combination with R or BR
  - Rituximab +/- Idelalisib (313-0124)
  - Rituximab/Bendamustine+/- Idelalisib (313-0125)



# *LNH B a grandi cellule diffuso*



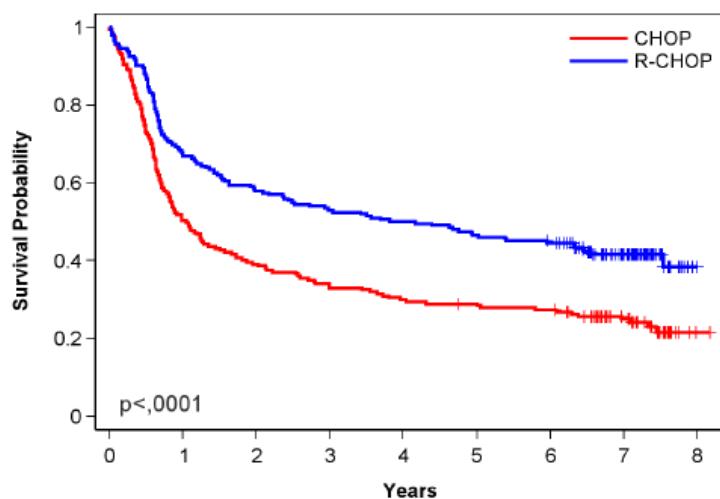
# LINFOMA A GRANDI CELLULE DIFFUSO

## Long-term results of the GELA study

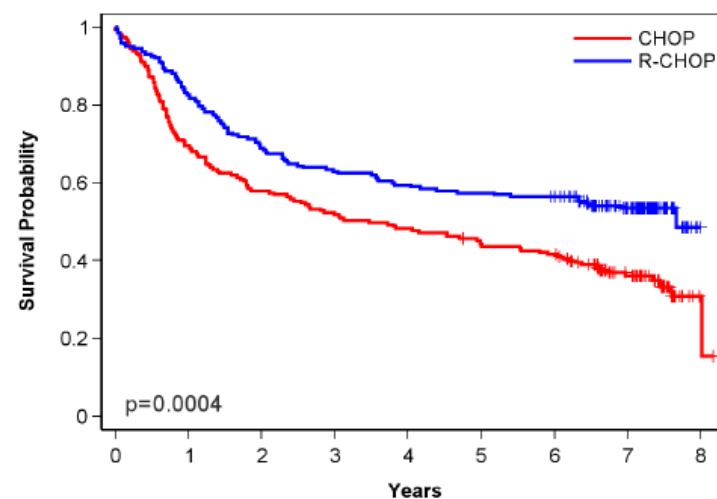
### LNH-98.5 study

R-CHOP vs. CHOP in Older Patients with Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma

EFS – Median follow-up 7 y  
42% vs. 24%

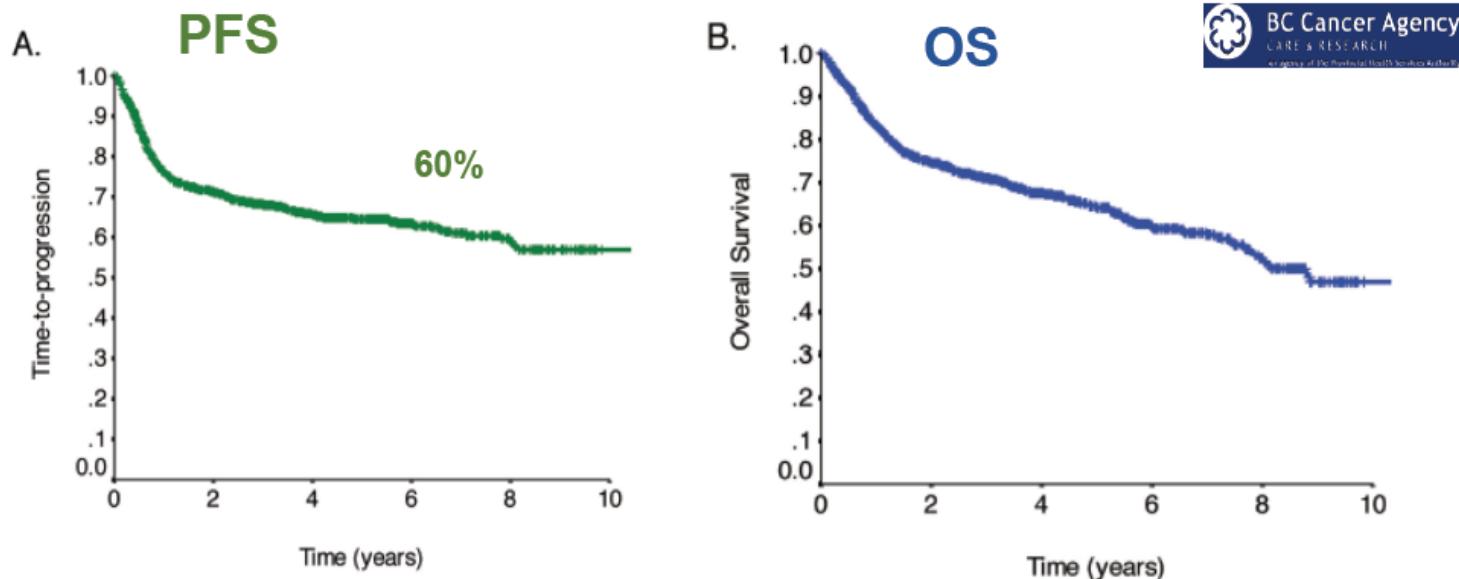


OS – Median follow-up 7 y  
>50% vs. 35%



# What outcome can we expect with R-CHOP in DLBCL ?

Patients with DLBCL treated with R-CHOP-21 at BCCA (n=1476)



Main role of first line therapy and low activity of salvage treatment

BC Cancer Agency Database Sehn Hematology 2012

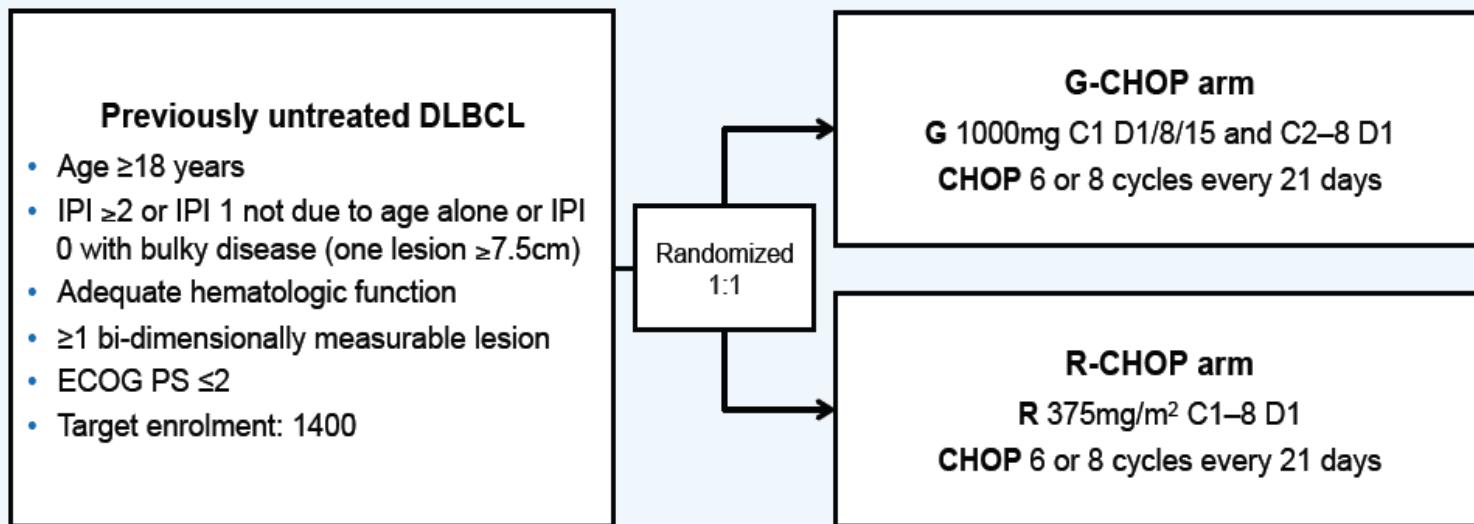
# How to improve R-CHOP results in DLBCL

## ...substitute with different antiCD20 antibody

### The GOYA study:

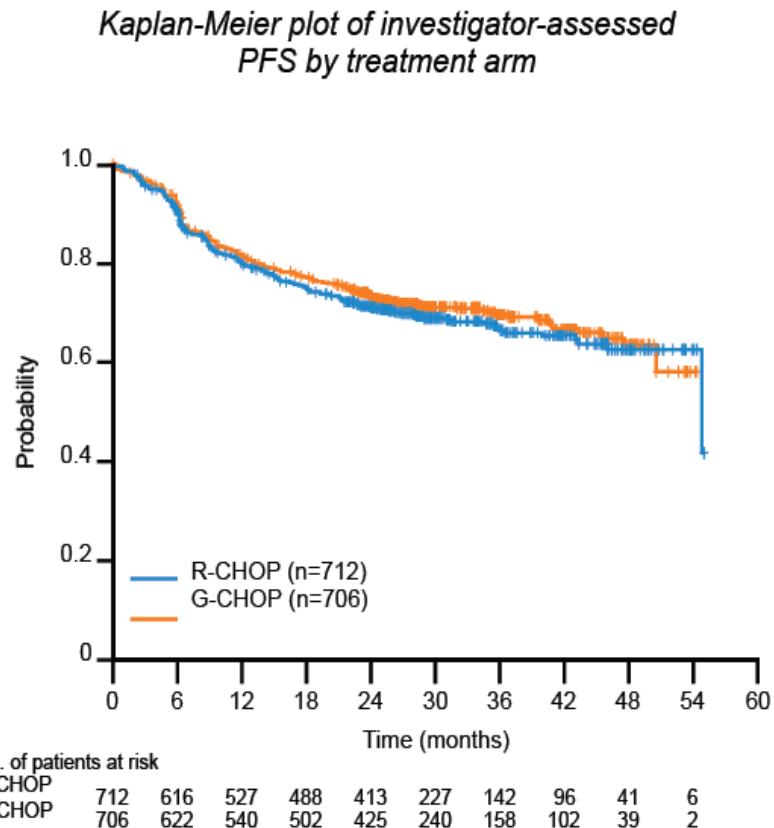
International, open-label, randomized Phase III study in 1L DLBCL pts

- Scientific support from the Fondazione Italiana Linfomi



- Number of CHOP cycles pre-planned in advance for all pts at each site
- Randomization stratification factors: planned number of CHOP cycles, IPI, geographic region

## Investigator-assessed PFS (primary endpoint)



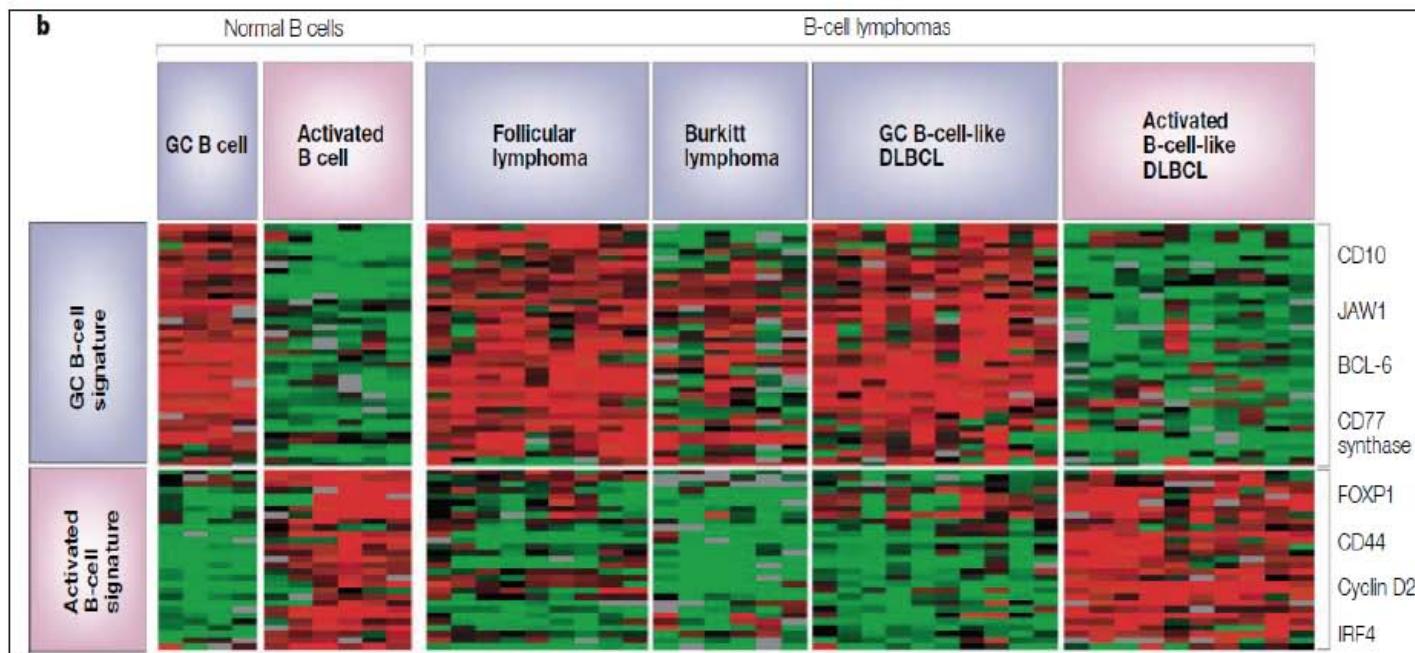
	R-CHOP, n=712	G-CHOP, n=706
Pts with event, n (%)	215 (30.2)	201 (28.5)
1-yr PFS, %	79.8	81.6
2-yr PFS, %	71.3	73.4
3-yr PFS, %	66.9	69.6
HR (95% CI), p-value*	0.92 (0.76, 1.11), p=0.3868	

Median follow-up: 29 months

\*Stratified analysis; stratification factors: IPI score, number of planned chemotherapy cycles

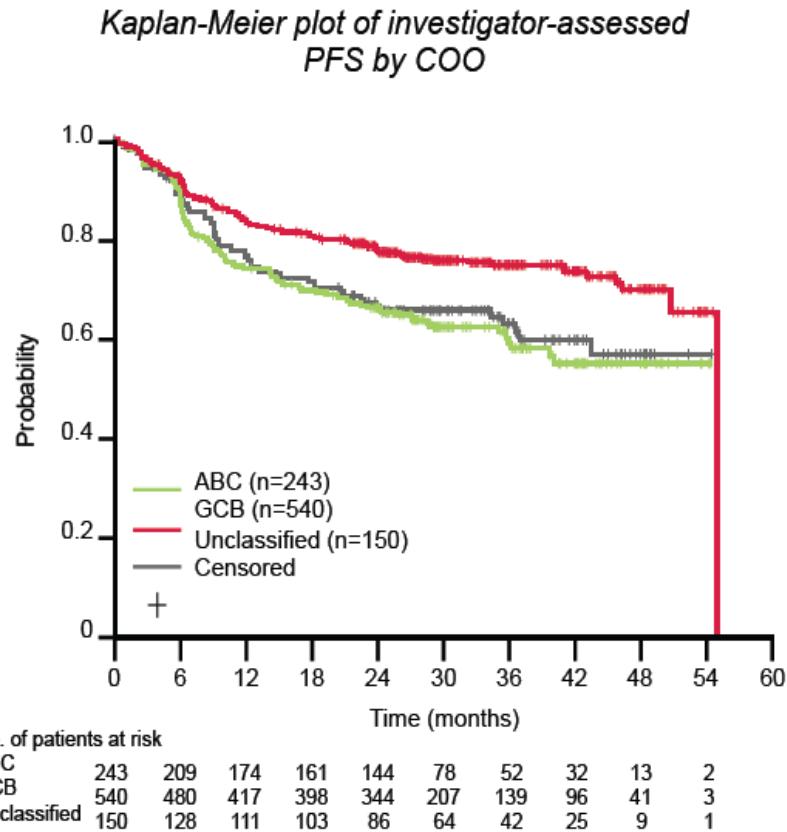
## FL and GCB DLBCL patients share similar biology

FL and GCB DLBCL both arise from germinal centre B cells and share a similar gene expression profile



Schaffer et al, *Nature Rev Immunol*, 2002

## Investigator-assessed PFS by cell of origin\*



	ABC, n=24	GCB, n=54	Unclassified, n=150
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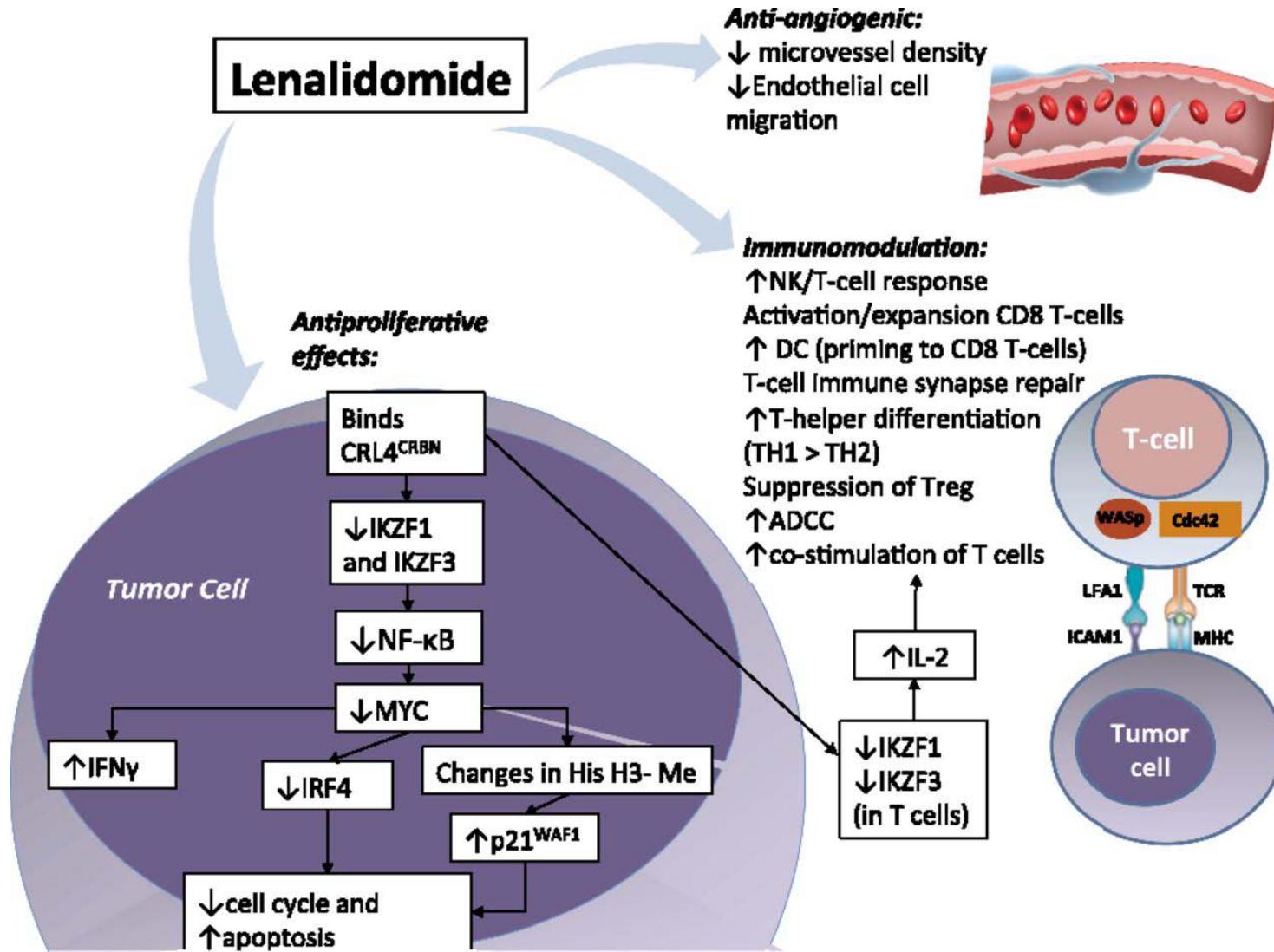
Pts with event, n (%)	92 (37.9)	129 (23.9)	54 (36.0)
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2-yr PFS, %	66.4	78.0	65.9
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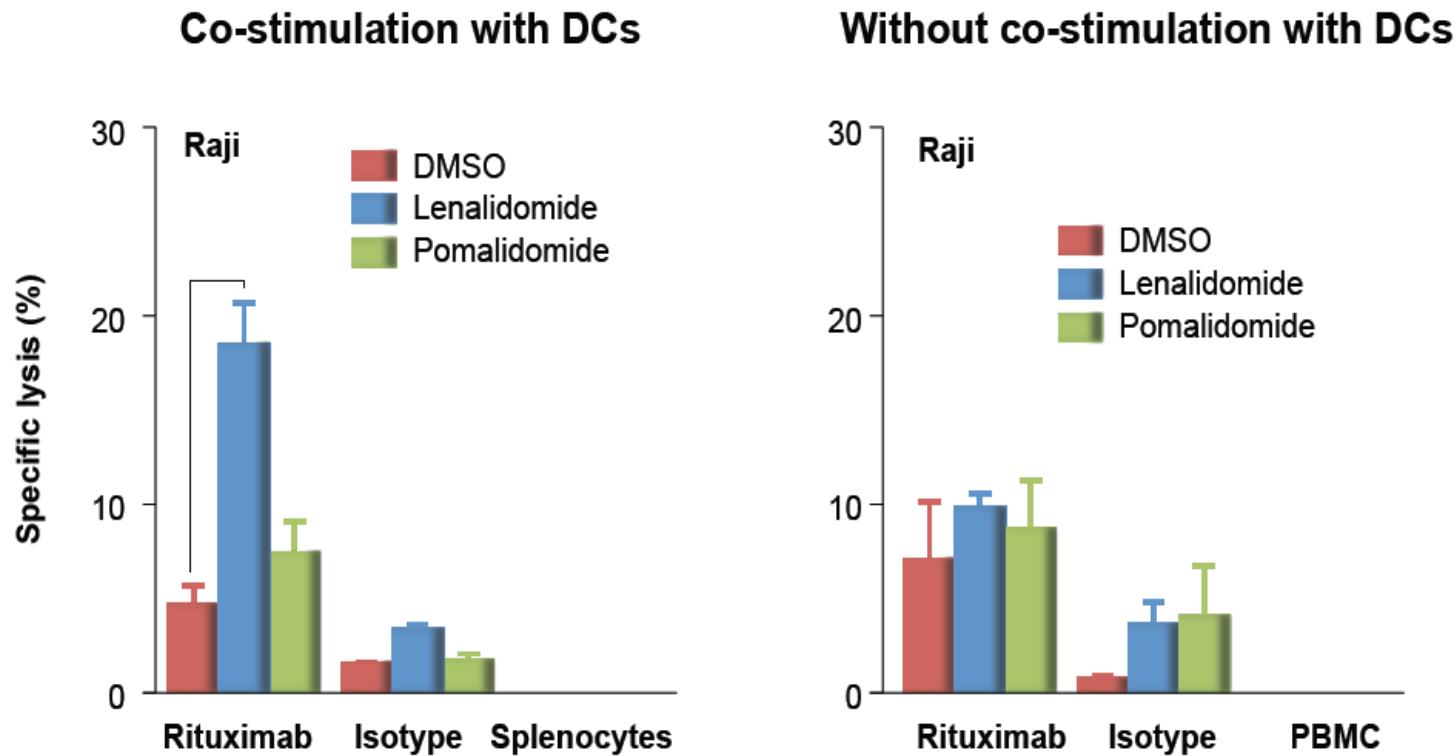
3-yr PFS, %	59.3	75.0	63.2
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HR (95% CI)		
ABC vs GCB	1.70 (1.30, 2.23)	
Unclassified vs GCB	1.57 (1.14, 2.16)	

\*Exploratory analysis; COO classification determined for 933 pts by gene expression profiling assay (Nanostring); missing COO classifications due to: restricted Chinese export license, n=252; CD20+ DLBCL not confirmed, n=102; missing/inadequate tissue, n=131; PFS HR=0.82 (0.64, 1.04) in pts with COO classification; PFS HR=1.18 (0.85, 1.64) in pts without COO classification



## IMiD enhancement of rituximab-dependent ADCC ex vivo is mediated via co-stimulation of NK-cells by DCs



**Provides rationale for R2 regimen**

Data is represented by means with error bars showing mean ± 1.0 SE.

ADCC, antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity; DC, dendritic cell; DMSO, dimethyl sulfoxide; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; NK, natural killer; PBMC, peripheral blood mononuclear cells; SE, standard error.

Reddy N, et al. Br J Haematol. 2007;140:36-45.

## Phase 2 Studies of R2-CHOP in Front-line DLBCL



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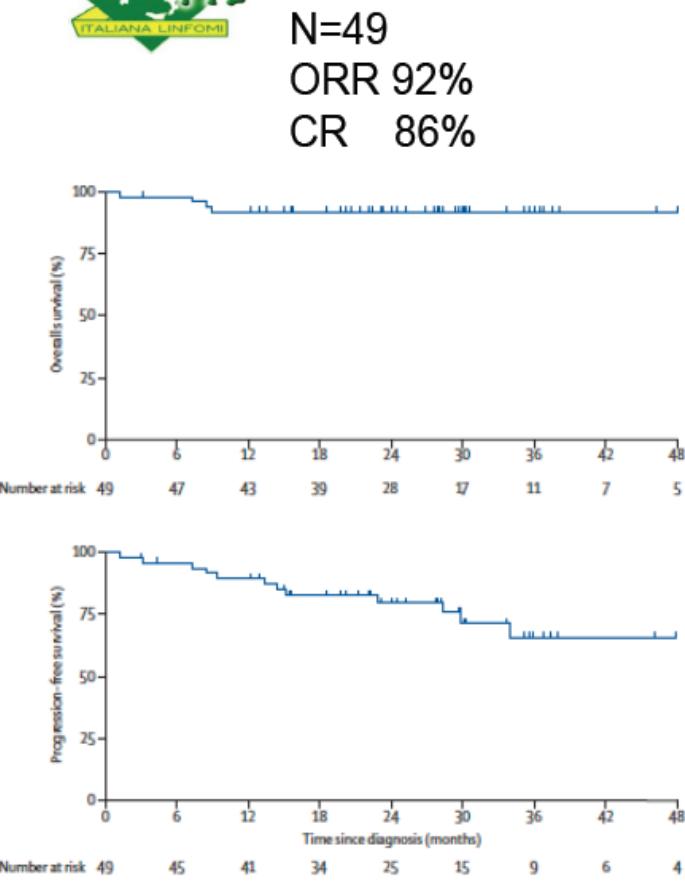
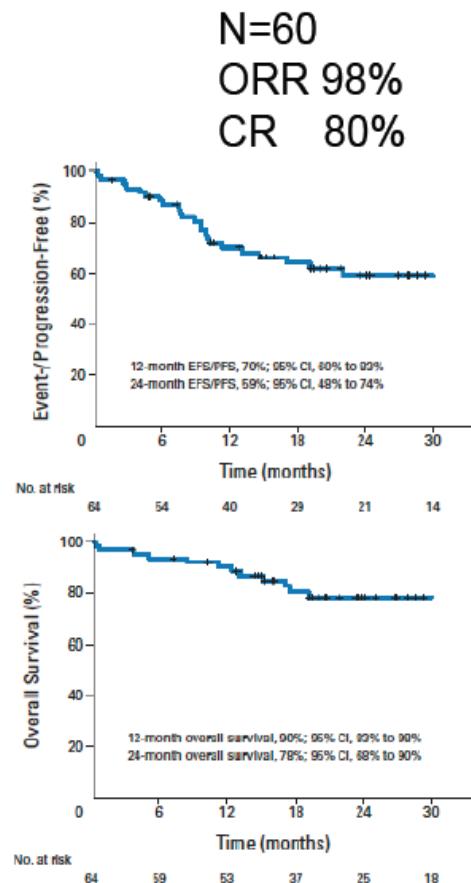
Agent	Dose	Route	Day of Cycle
Lenalidomide	25 mg	po	1-10
Rituximab	375 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Cyclophosphamide	750 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Doxorubicin	50 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Vincristine	1.4 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Prednisone	100 mg/ $m^2$	po	1-5
<i>Pegfilgrastim</i>	6 mg	SC	2
<i>Aspirin</i>	325 mg	po	<i>daily</i>

Agent	Dose	Route	Day of Cycle
Lenalidomide	15 mg	po	1-14
Rituximab	375 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Cyclophosphamide	750 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Doxorubicin	50 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Vincristine	1.4 mg/ $m^2$	IV	1
Prednisone	40 mg/ $m^2$	po	1-5
<i>Pegfilgrastim</i>	-	-	-
<i>LMWH prophylaxis</i>		SC	<i>daily</i>

# Phase 2 Studies of R2-CHOP in Front-line DLBCL



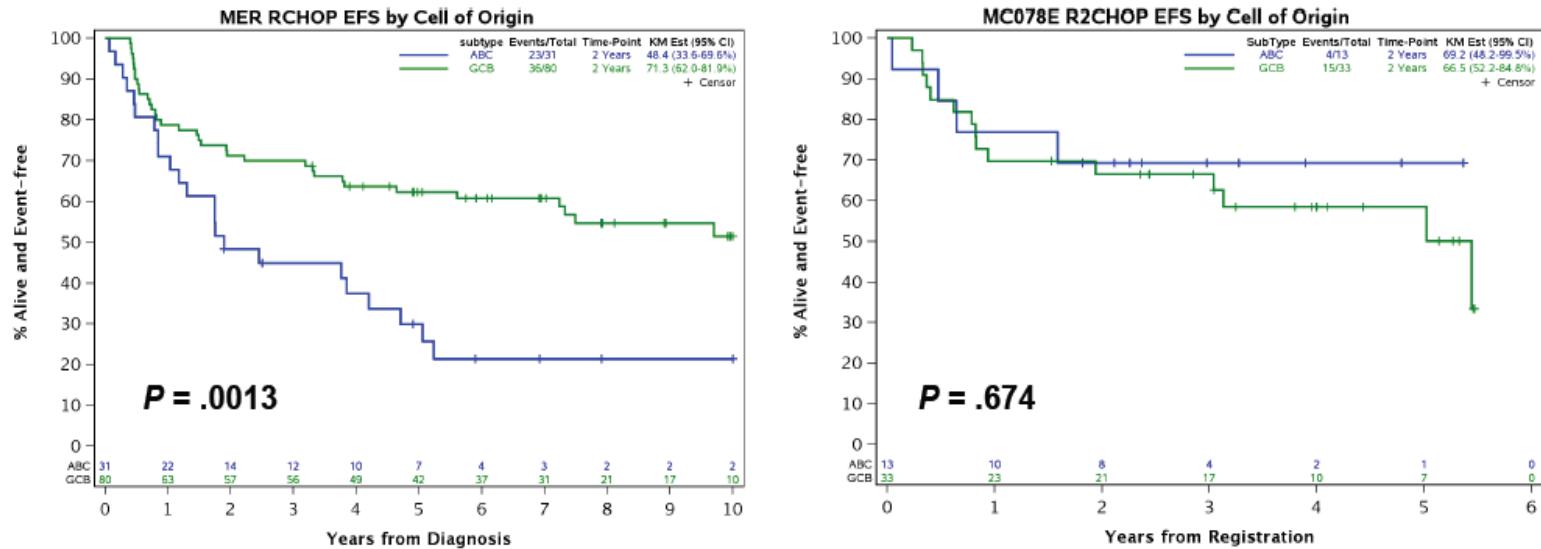
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Nowakowski, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2015;33:251-257.

Vitolo, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2014;15:730-737.

# Phase 2 Study of R2-CHOP in Newly Diagnosed DLBCL by COO by Nanostring Assay: EFS



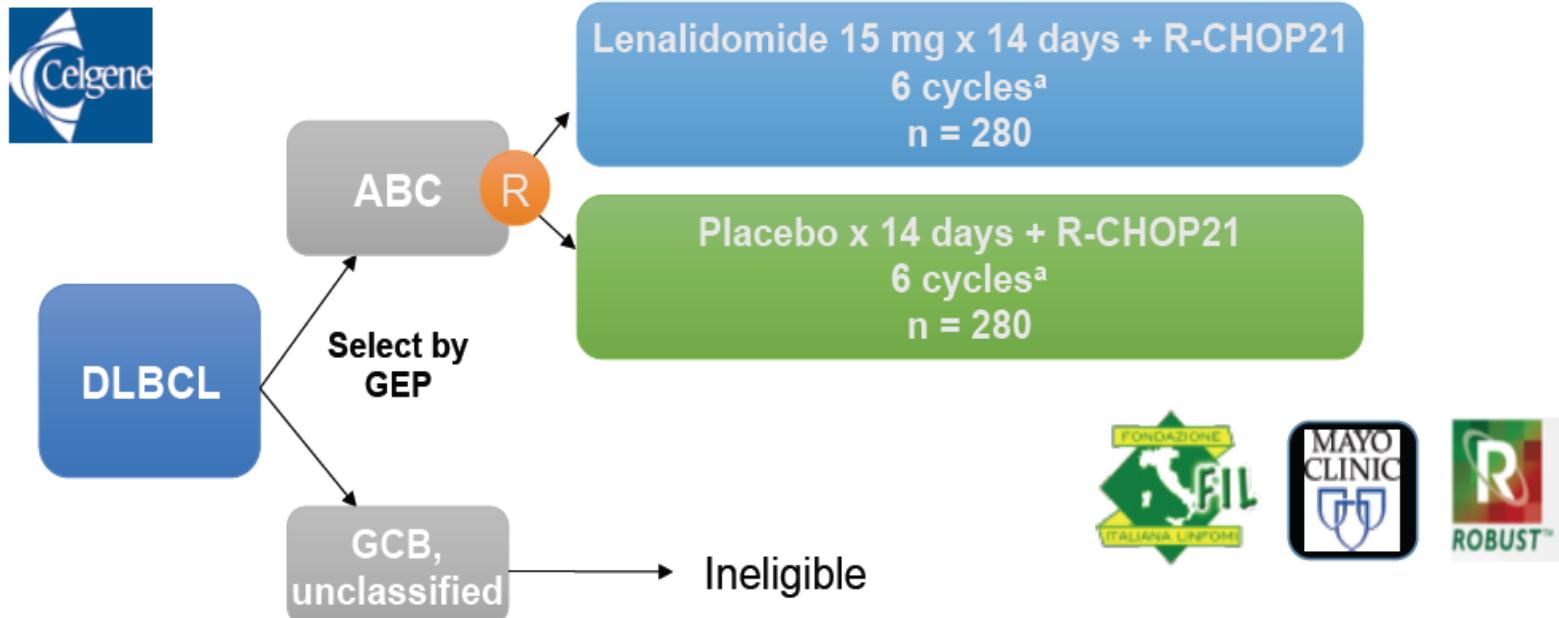
Cohort	N	GCB		ABC		Unclassified	
		n (%)	EFS24	n (%)	EFS24	n (%)	EFS24
MER R-CHOP	124	80 (65%)	71%*	31 (25%)	48%	13 (10%)	46%
MC078E R <sup>2</sup> -CHOP	50	33 (66%)	67% <sup>#</sup>	13 (26%)	69%	4 (8%)	50%

# DLC-002 (ROBUST) study design: COO categorization made on nanostring

Sponsor: Celgene Corporation. Team leader: FIL and Mayo Clinic.

PIs: U. Vitolo, T. Witzig.

Writing committee: U. Vitolo, A. Chiappella, M. Spina, T. Witzig, G. Nowakowski.

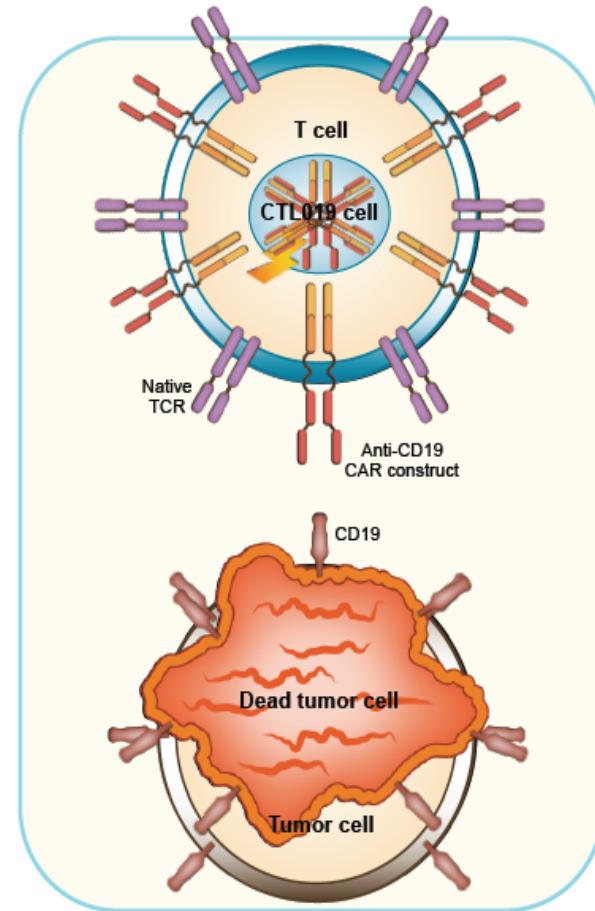


- Newly diagnosed ABC DLBCL; IPI  $\geq 2$ ; ECOG PS  $\leq 2$ ; age 18–80 years
- Primary endpoint = PFS; N = 560
- 90% power to detect 60% difference in PFS (control median PFS estimate = 24 months)
- 208 sites expected to be involved

<sup>a</sup>Option for 2 additional rituximab doses after completing treatment regimen (if considered standard of care per local practice). ABC, activated B-cell like; COO, cell of origin ; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; GCB, germinal centre B-cell like; GEP, gene expression profile; IPI, International Prognostic Index; PFS, progression-free survival; PI, principle investigator; R-CHOP, rituximab plus cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone.

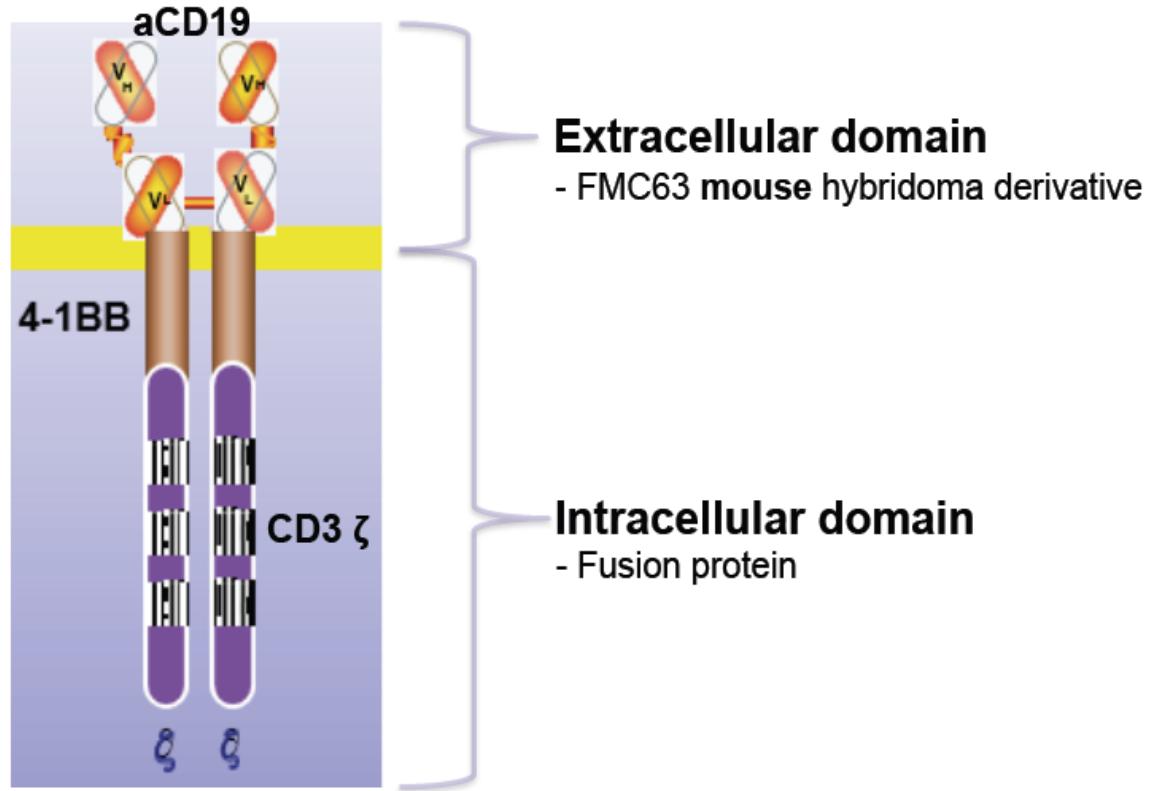
# Redirecting the Specificity of T cells

- Gene transfer technology stably expresses CARs on T cells<sup>1,2</sup>
- CAR T cell therapy takes advantage of the cytotoxic potential of T cells, killing tumor cells in an *antigen-dependent* manner<sup>1,3</sup>
- Persistent CAR T cells consist of both effector (cytotoxic) and central memory T cells<sup>3</sup>
- **T cells are *non-cross resistant* to chemotherapy**



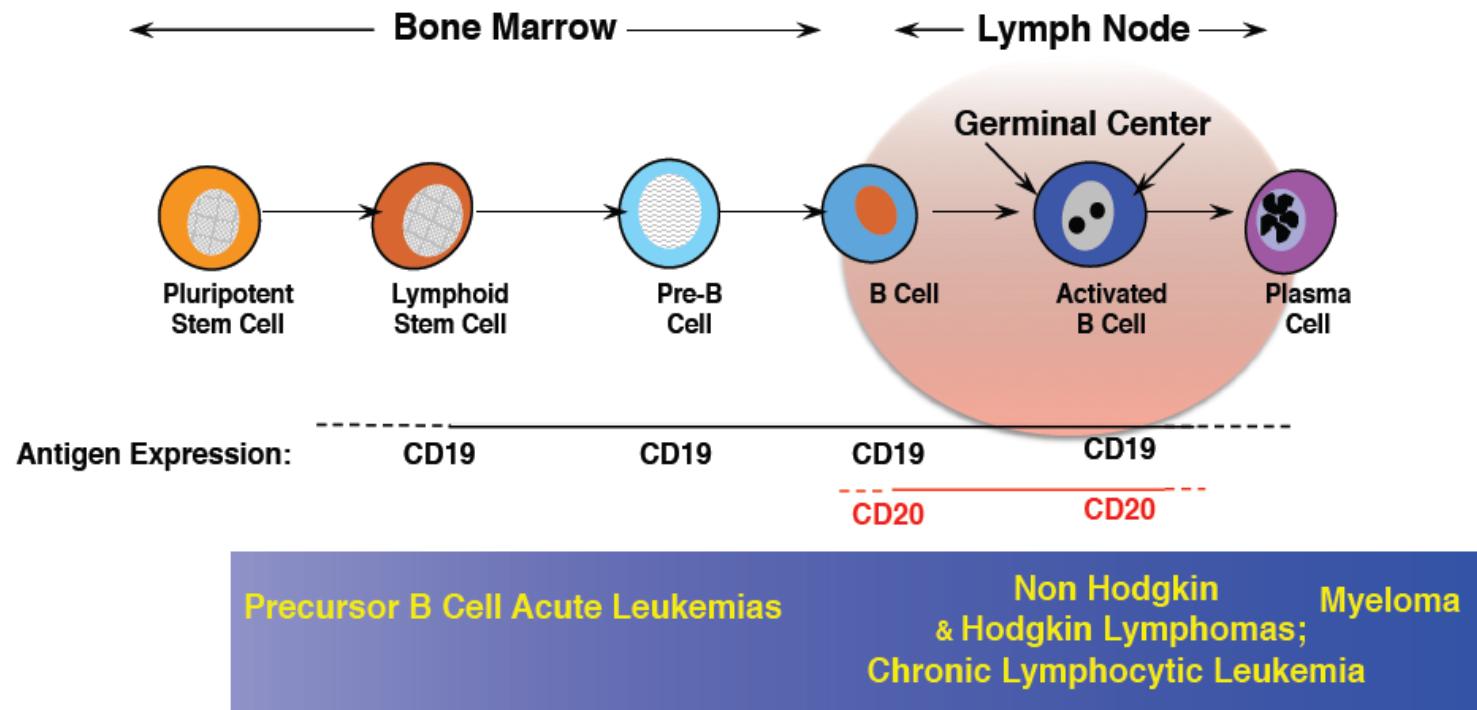
1. Milone MC, et al. *Mol Ther.* 2009;17:1453-1464.
2. Hollyman D, et al. *J Immunother.* 2009;32:169-180.
3. Kalos M, et al. *Sci Transl Med.* 2011;3:95ra73.

# Chimeric Antigen Receptor for CD19 (CTL019)



# CD19: An Ideal Target for B Cell Malignancy

## Normal B Cell Life Cycle and Related B Cell Malignancy





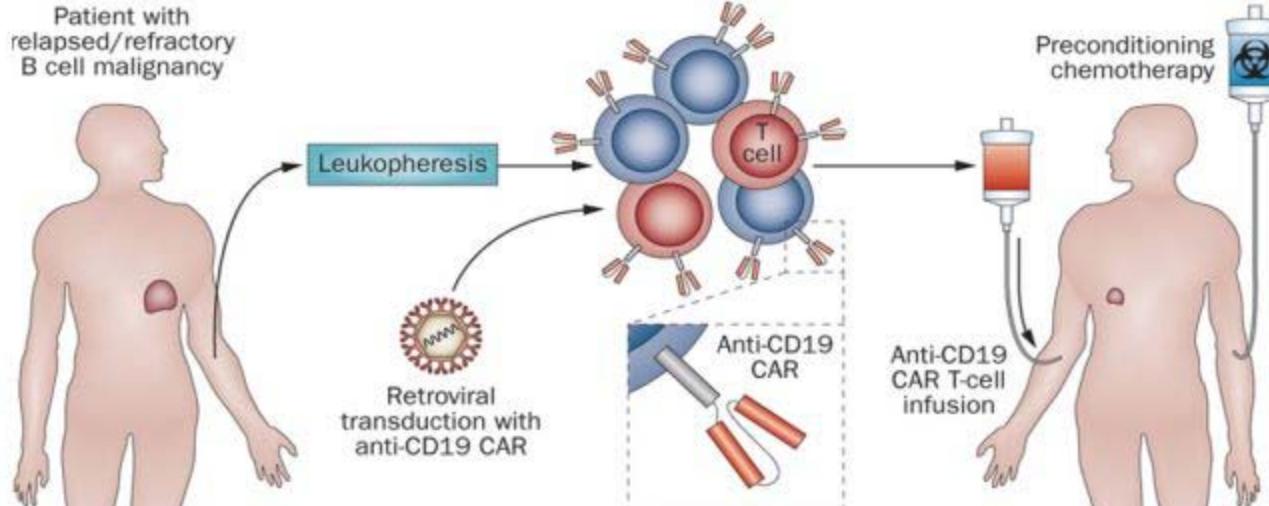
Milano, 8-10 febbraio 2018

18 October 2017

FDA News Release

FDA approves CAR-T cell therapy to treat adults with certain types of large B-cell lymphoma

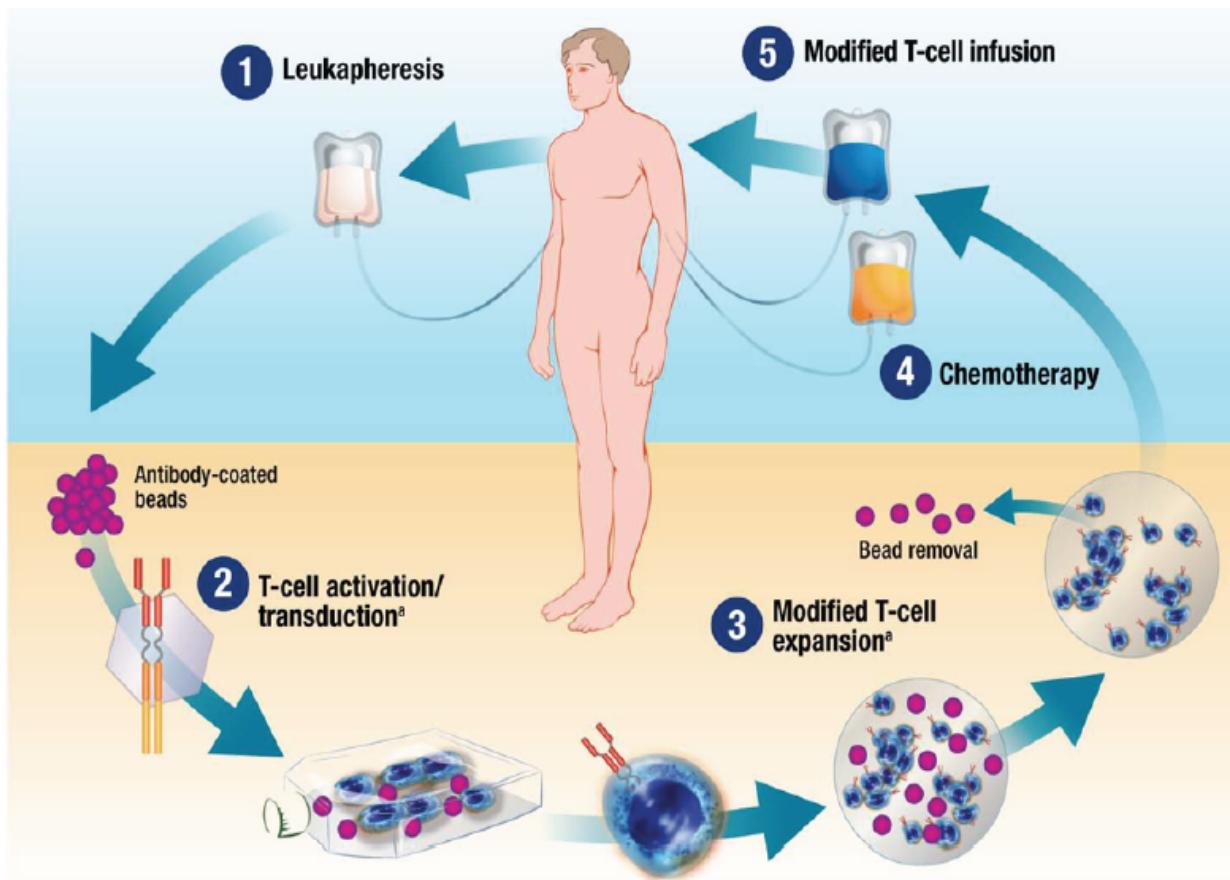
*Yescarta is the second gene therapy product approved in the U.S.*



The  
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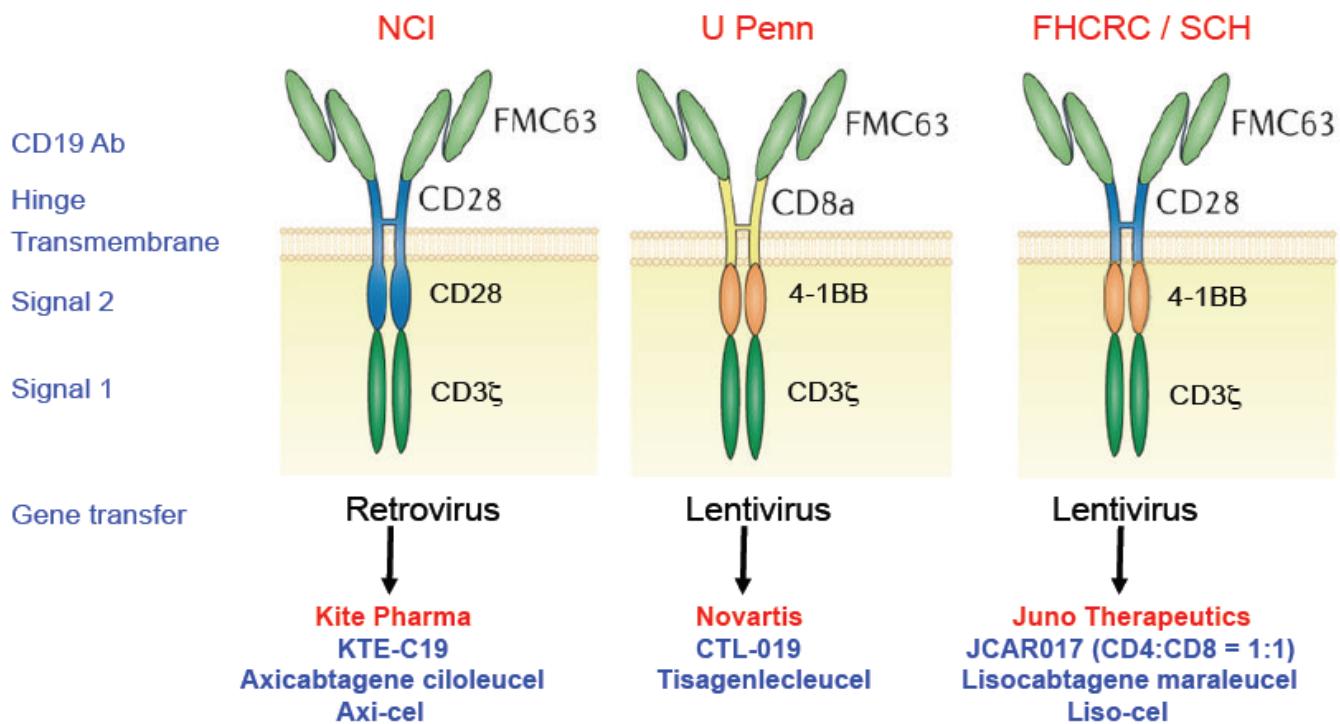
The near-miraculous results of immuno-oncology cell therapies have dominated news about cancer breakthroughs. Indeed, CAR-T is a game-changer and are at the forefront of the ways Biotech changed cancer treatments.

# Overview of CTL019 Therapy



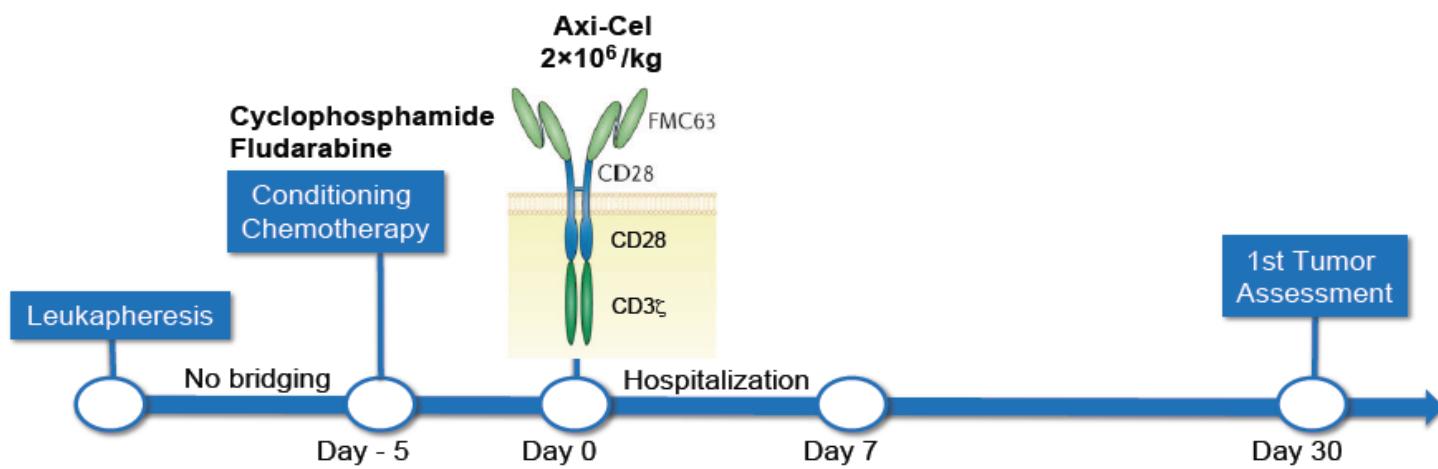
T cells transduced ex vivo with a lentivirus encoding anti-CD19 scFv linked to 4-1BB and CD3- $\zeta$  signaling domains

## CD19 CAR T products in pivotal trials in NHL



Adapted from van der Steegen et al. Nat Rev Drug Discov, 2015

# ZUMA1: Multicenter trial of axi-cel CD19 CAR T therapy in refractory aggressive B-cell NHL

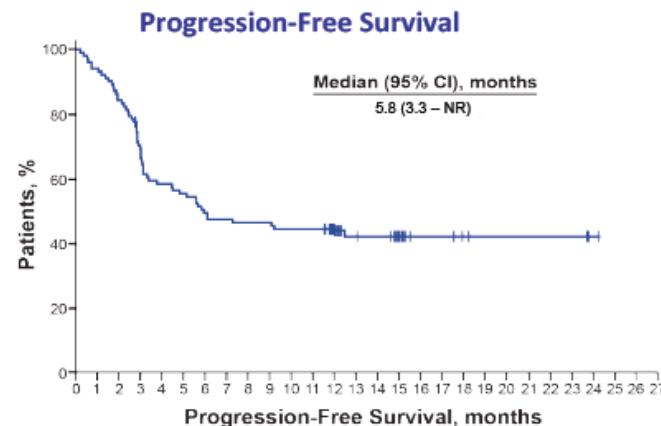


## ZUMA1: Efficacy

Phase 2 Primary Analysis N = 101		Phase 1 and 2 Updated Analysis N = 108	
Median follow-up, mo	8.7		15.4
	ORR	CR	ORR
Best objective response, %	82	54	82
Ongoing, %	44	39	42
			40

- 57% of patients in phase 1 obtained a CR
- In the updated analysis, 23/60 patients with either a PR (11/35) or SD (12/25) at the first tumor assessment (1 mo post-axi-cel) subsequently achieved CR up to 15 months post-infusion without additional therapy
  - Median (range) time to conversion from PR to CR = 64 (49 – 424) days
- Study met primary endpoint for ORR ( $p < 0.0001$ ) at primary analysis

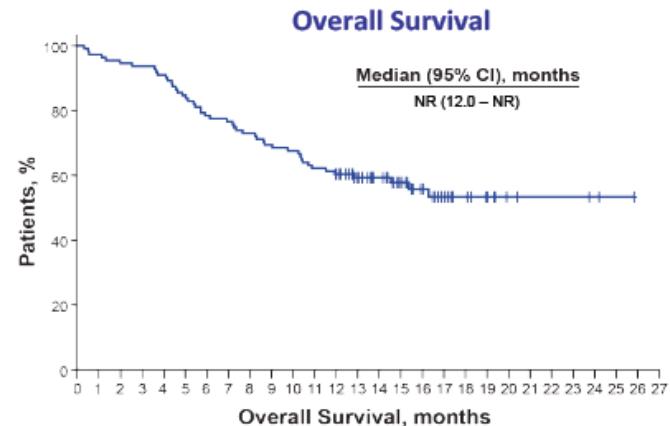
## ZUMA1 at median f/u of 15.4 months: 42% progression-free and 56% alive



Patients at Risk	
108	90
61	52
49	47
34	20
6	4
3	3
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Landmark	PFS
6-month	49
12-month	44
18-month	41



Patients at Risk	
108	102
90	84
61	76
49	72
34	63
20	40
6	20
4	11
3	4
1	3
	2
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Landmark	OS
6-month	78
12-month	59
18-month	52

NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

Neelapu et al. N Eng J Med 2017

## Multicenter CD19 CAR T-cell trials in aggressive NHL

Study / Sponsor	ZUMA1 / Kite	JULIET / Novartis	TRANSCEND / Juno
Reference	Neelapu et al, NEJM 2017	Schuster et al, ASH 2017	Abramson et al, ASH 2017
CAR T design	CD19/CD3ζ/CD28	CD19/CD3ζ/4-1BB	CD19/CD3ζ/4-1BB
CAR T dose	$2 \times 10^6/\text{kg}$	Up to $1-5 \times 10^8$	$0.5-1 \times 10^8$
Conditioning therapy	Cy/Flu	Cy/Flu or Bendamustine	Cy/Flu
Lymphoma subtypes	DLBCL / PMBCL / TFL	DLBCL / TFL	DLBCL / TFL / FL Gr 3B
Treated/Enrolled	101/111 (91%)	99/147 (67%)	108/140 (77%)
Relapsed/Refractory	Refractory	Relapsed or refractory	Relapsed or refractory
Relapse post-ASCT	21%	47%	42%
Bridging therapy	None	Allowed	Allowed
Manufacturing success	99%	94%	98%

## Efficacy in multicenter CD19 CAR T trials in adult NHL

### Best response

Study/Sponsor	Product	N	Best ORR	Best CR rate
ZUMA1 / Kite	CD19/CD3ζ/CD28	108	82%	58%
JULIET / Novartis	CD19/CD3ζ/4-1BB	81	53%	40%
TRANSCEND / Juno	CD19/CD3ζ/4-1BB	65	80%	55%

### Durability

F/U mo	N	Durable ORR	Durable CR rate	Ref
12	108	42%	40%	Neelapu et al, NEJM 2017
6	46	37%	30%	Schuster et al, ASH 2017
6	38	47%	42%	Abramson et al, ASH 2017

# Cytokine Release Syndrome

Collection of symptoms can include fever, nausea, fatigue, myalgia, malaise, hypotension, hypoxia, coagulopathy and capillary leak, and/or multiorgan toxicity<sup>[a]</sup>

Can be fatal

Occurs in > 90% of patients on axicabtagene ciloleucel<sup>[b]</sup>

Median time to onset: 2 days (range, 1-12 days)<sup>[b]</sup>

a. Wang Z, et al. *Biomark Res.* 2018;6:4.

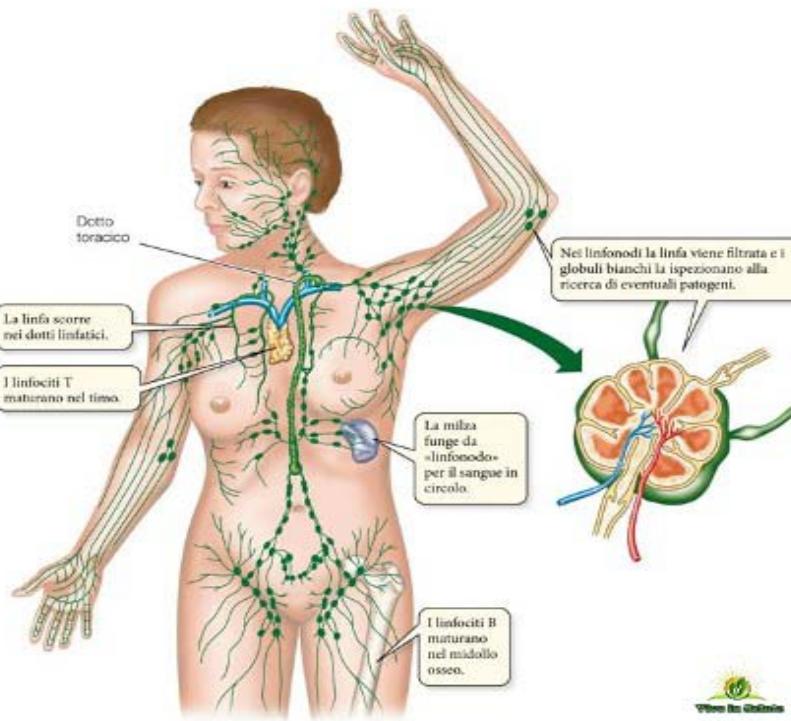
b. YesCarta® PI 2017.

## CRS and NT in multicenter CD19 CAR T trials in adult NHL

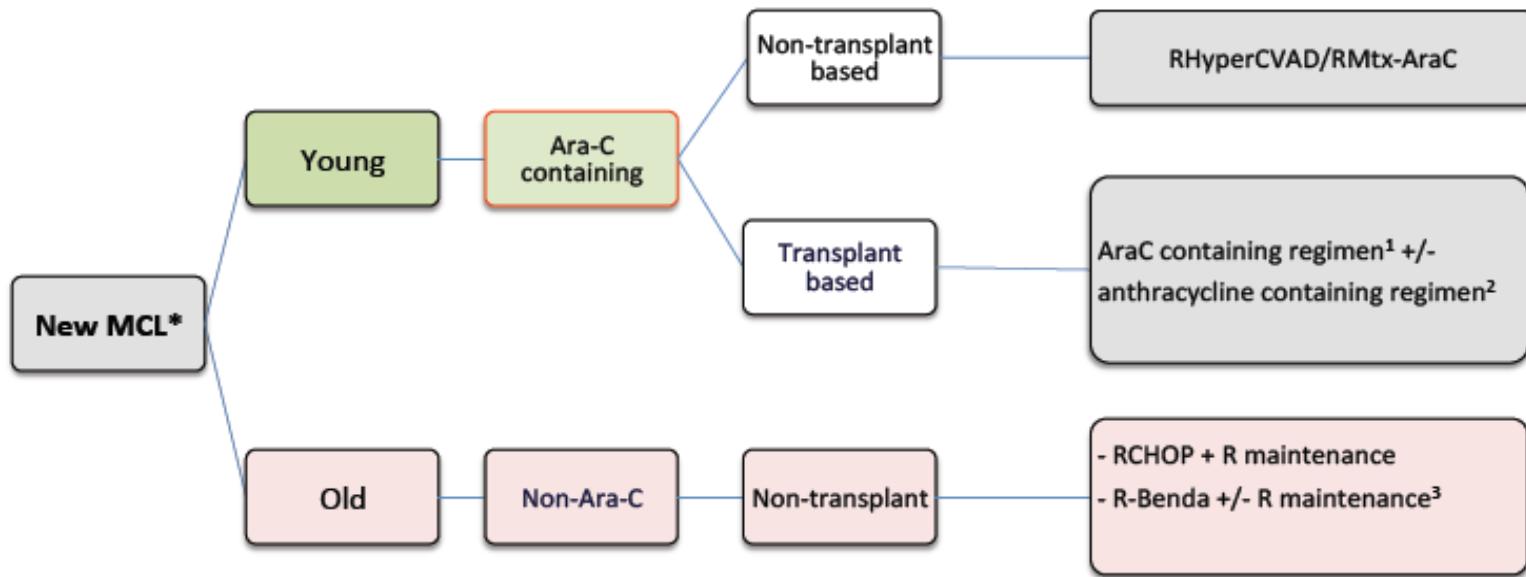
Study/Sponsor	Product	N	CRS All Grades	CRS Grade ≥3	NT All Grades	NT Grade ≥3	Ref
ZUMA1 / Kite	CD19/CD3ζ/CD28	101	93%	13%	64%	28%	Neelapu et al, NEJM 2017
JULIET / Novartis	CD19/CD3ζ/4-1BB	99	58%	23%	21%	12%	Schuster et al, ASH 2017
TRANSCEND / Juno	CD19/CD3ζ/4-1BB	67	36%	1%	21%	15%	Abramson et al, ASH 2017

- Lee criteria used for CRS grading on ZUMA1 and TRANSCEND
- U Penn criteria used for CRS grading on JULIET
- All trials used CTCAE criteria for neurotoxicity (NT) grading
- 3 deaths on ZUMA1 due to AEs – 2 CRS and 1 pulmonary embolism

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# Treatment Options for Advanced Stage MCL

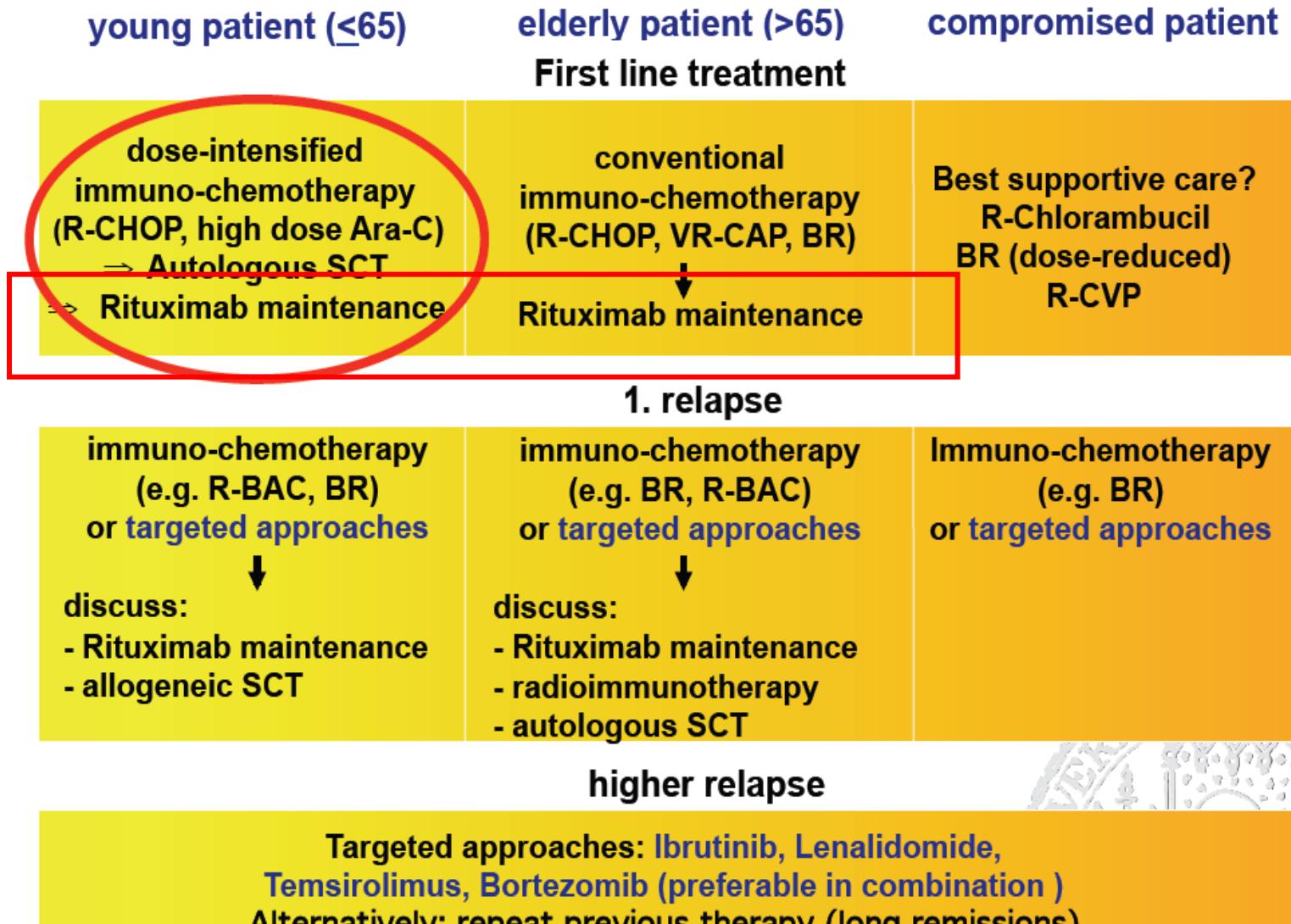


\*Some patients may be candidate for initial observation. Patients with localized MCL should be considered for XRT containing therapy

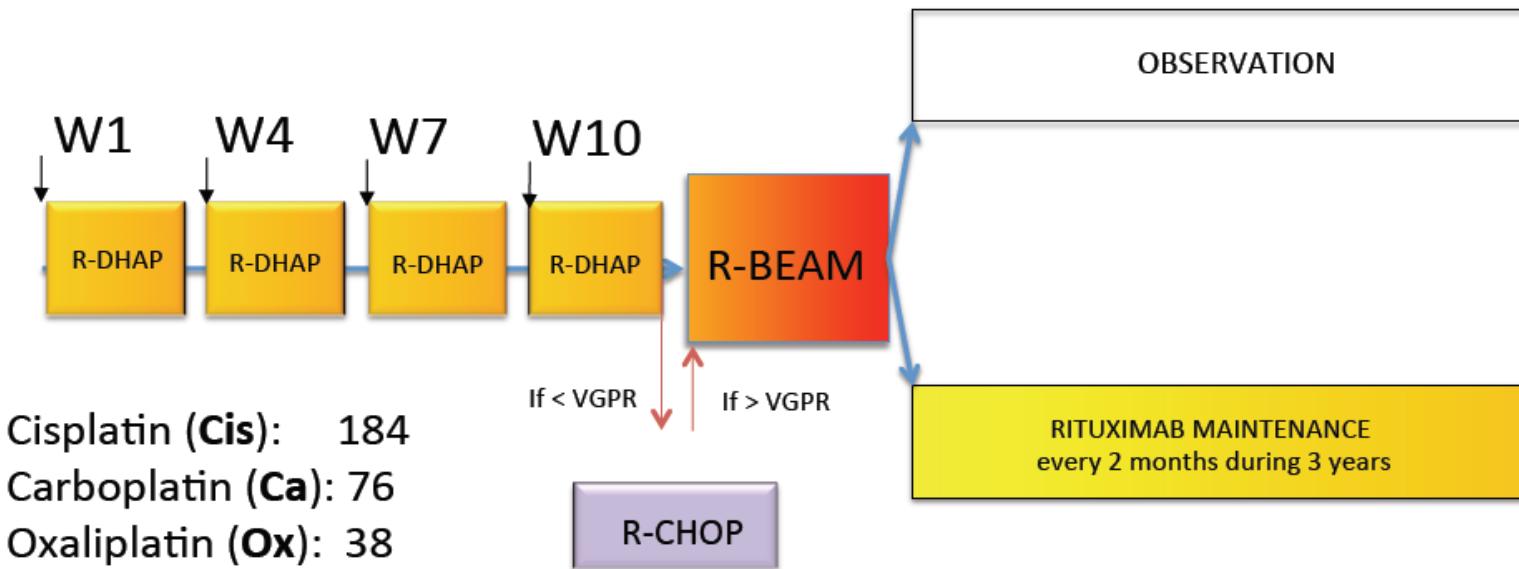
<sup>1</sup> Examples: RDHAP, RDHAX, R-HiAraC

<sup>2</sup> Examples: RCHOP

<sup>3</sup> Although there is randomized data comparing (R)Benda with (R)CHOP, there is no randomized data confirming the benefit of R-maintenance after R-Benda in MCL



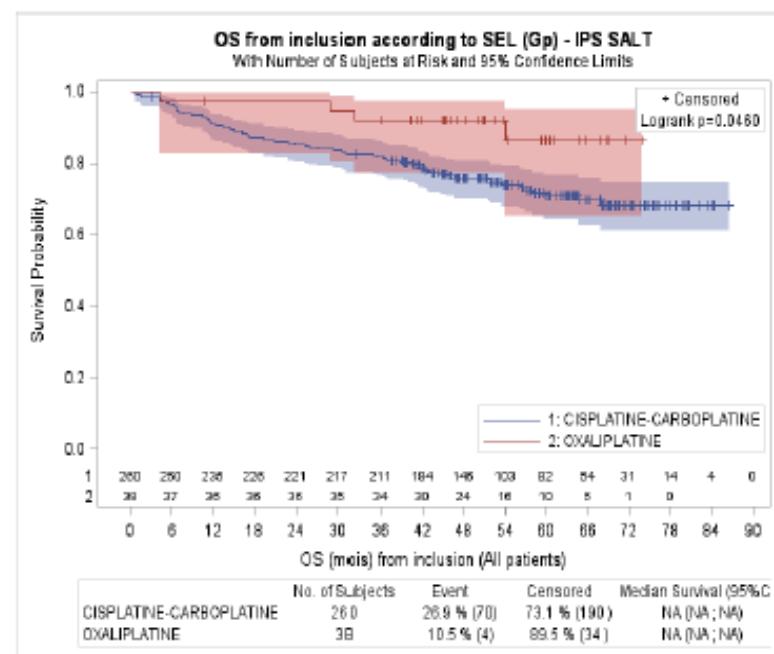
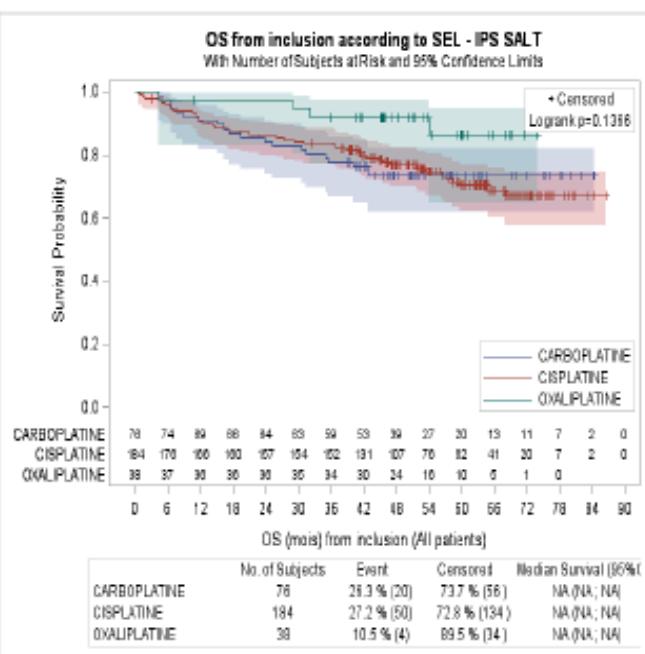
# LyMA Study in MCL



Le Gouill et al, ASH 2017  
Le Gouill et al., NEJM 2017

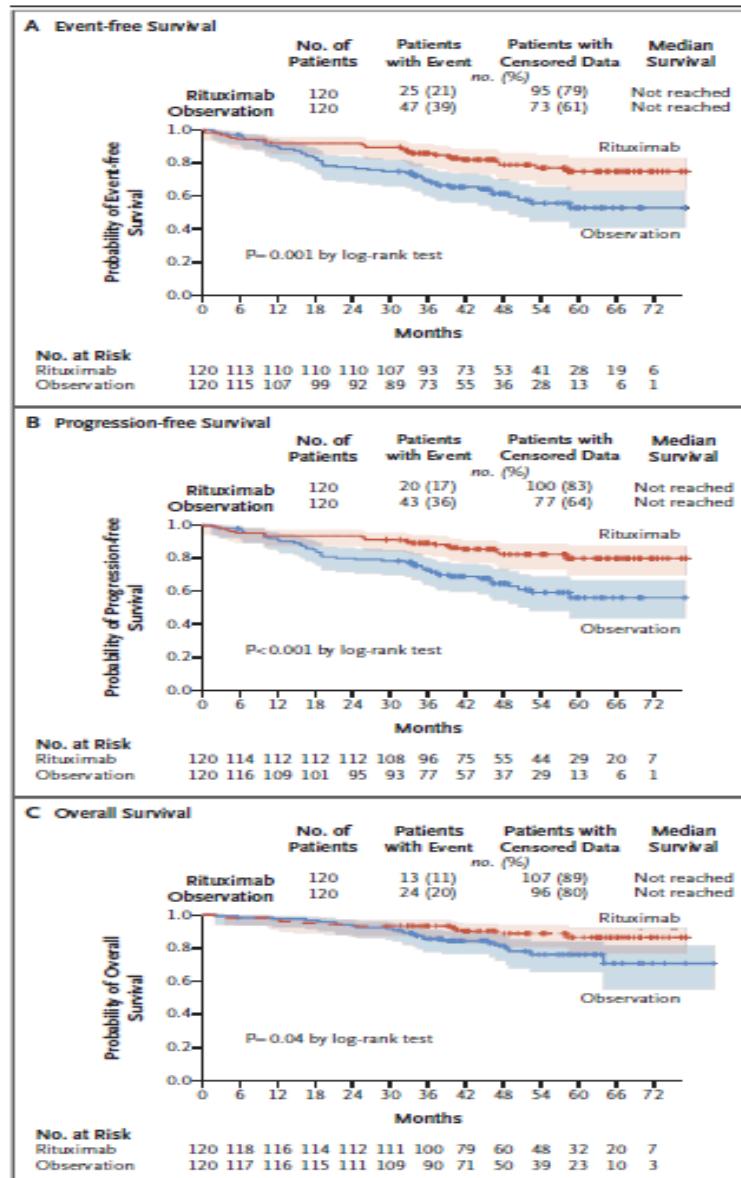
# LyMa Front Line Study in MCL

## OS by type of platinum compound (ITT)



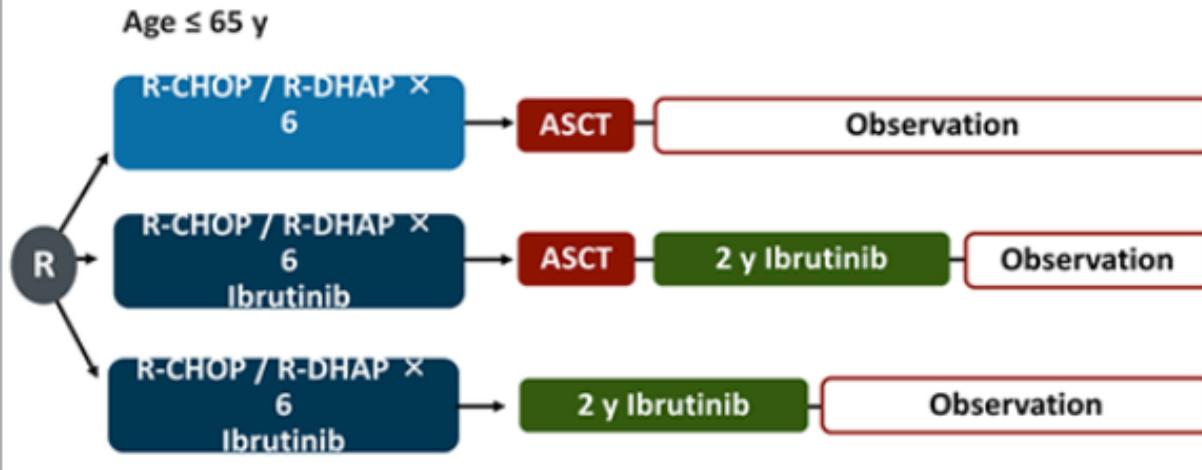
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# Lyma Study R-mantenimento 3 yrs



# Is ASCT Needed in 1<sup>st</sup> Line Regimens

## TRIANGLE Study: European MCL Network



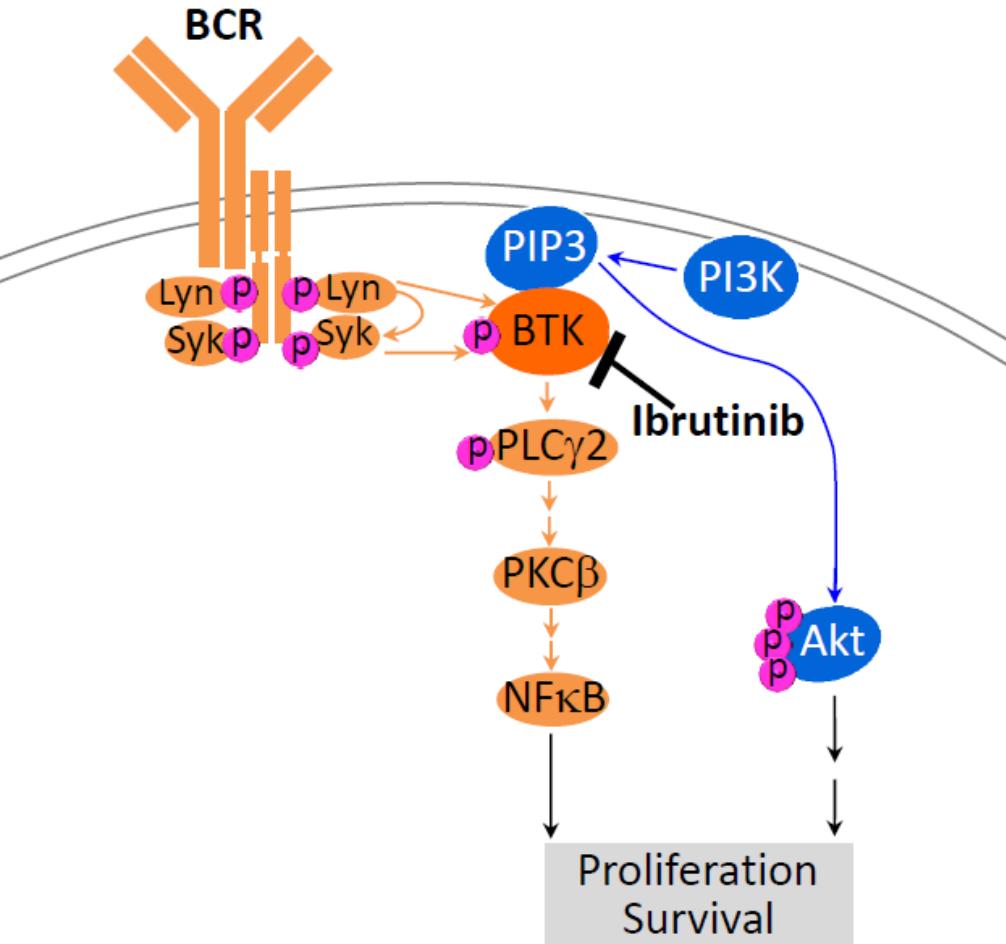
Primary End Point: TTF

Stephens DM, Spruleon SE. *Ther Adv Hematol.* 2015;6:242-252.

# Lenalidomide in Lymphoma

Disease type	N	% ORR	CR/Cru n (%)	Median PFS (months)	Median response duration (months)
All patients	217	35%	13%	3.7	10.6
DLBCL	108	28%	7%	2.7	4.6
MCL	57	42%	21%	5.7	Not reached
TCL	33	45%	21%	5.4	12.8
FL-III	19	42%	11%	8.9	Not reached

# Targeting Bruton Tyrosine Kinase (BTK) by Ibrutinib in MCL



- BTK is required for survival of lymphoma cells;
- Targeting BTK with Ibrutinib is highly effective in MCL<sup>1</sup>;
- However, relapse is virtually universal-- aggressive proliferation and poor prognosis<sup>2</sup>

1. Wang et al. *N Engl J Med* 2014.

2. Martin et al. *Blood* 2016.



## Table of Various Treatment for R/R MCL

Treatment	Study or Literature Reference	N	ORR	CR	Median DOR (months)	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)
Ibrutinib	PCYC-1104-CA	111	68%	21%	17.5	13.9	Not reached
Bortezomib	<a href="#">Fischer 2006</a> <a href="#">Goy 2009</a>	155 <sup>a</sup>	33%	8%	9.2	6.5	23.5
Lenalidomide	<a href="#">Goy 2012</a>	134	28%	8%	16.6	4.0	19.0
Tensirolimus <sup>b</sup>	<a href="#">Hess 2009</a>	54	22%	2%	7.1	4.8	12.8

CR=complete response; DOR= duration of response; ORR=overall response rate; OS=overall survival;  
PFS= progression-free survival.

<sup>a</sup> Of the 155 patients enrolled, 141 were assessable for response.

<sup>b</sup> Results are presented for temsirolimus 175/75 mg dose group.

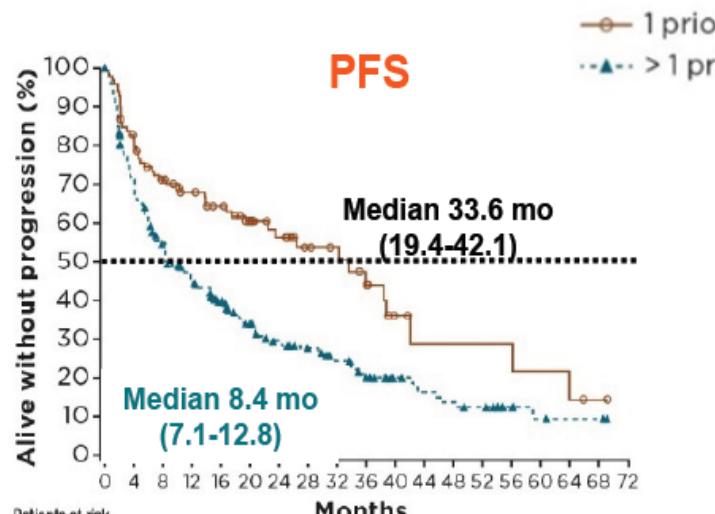
# Overall Survival Outcomes in Patients With Mantle-Cell Lymphoma Treated With Ibrutinib: A Pooled Analysis of 370 Patients From 3 International Open-Label Studies

**Simon Rule,<sup>1</sup>** Martin Dreyling,<sup>2</sup> Georg Hess,<sup>3</sup> Rebecca Auer,<sup>4</sup> Brad Kahl,<sup>5</sup> Nora Cavazos,<sup>6</sup> Black Liu,<sup>7</sup> Fong Clow,<sup>6</sup> Jenna Goldberg,<sup>8</sup> Darrin Beaupre,<sup>6</sup> Jessica Vermeulen,<sup>9</sup> Mark Wildgust,<sup>8</sup> and Michael Wang<sup>10</sup>

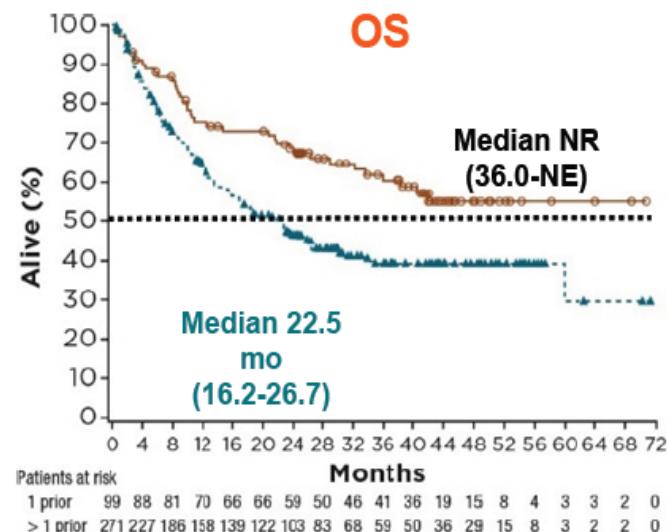
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<sup>10</sup>The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX, USA

## Ibrutinib in MCL: PFS and OS by prior line of therapy



Median PFS overall (95% CI):  
13.0 (8.4-16.8) months



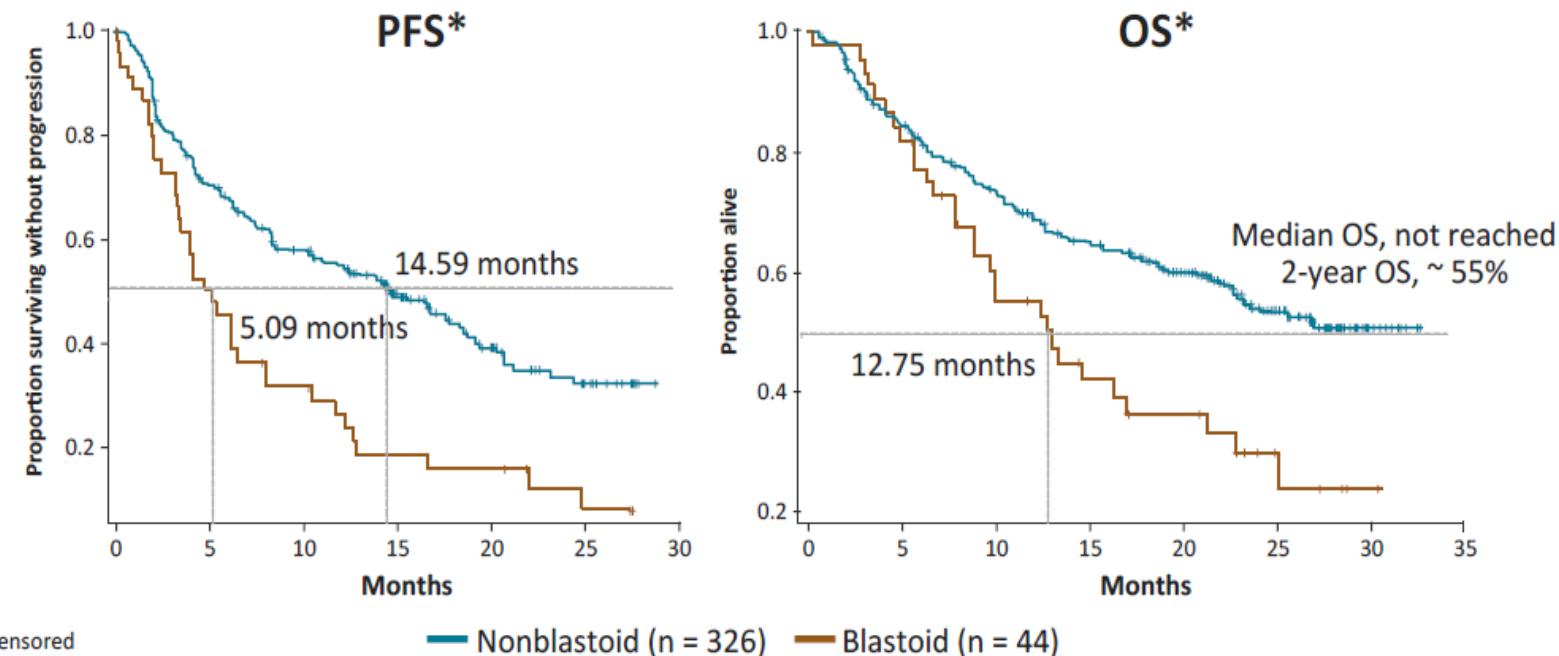
Median OS overall (95% CI):  
26.7 (22.5-38.4) months

Median PFS was nearly 3 years in patients with 1 prior line of therapy

Patients censored from OS analysis upon study discontinuation. CI, confidence interval; NE, not estimable.

Rule et al., ASH 2017 (abstract 151, oral presentation)

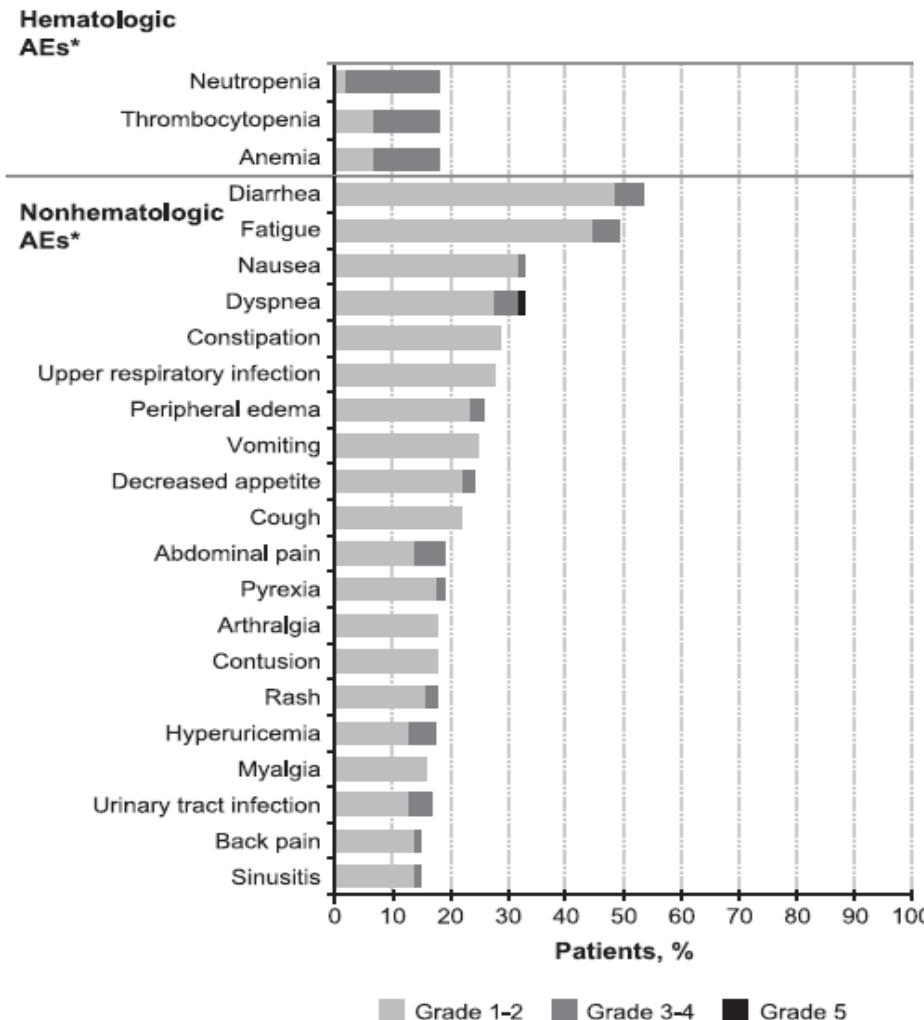
# Pooled MCL Analysis: PFS and OS by Blastoid Histology



CI, confidence interval.

\*Statistically significant.

## Outcomes in 370 patients with mantle cell lymphoma treated with ibrutinib: a pooled analysis from three open-label studies



# Next generation BTKi's



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# Next generation BTKi's



Tirabrutinib



Acalabrutinib



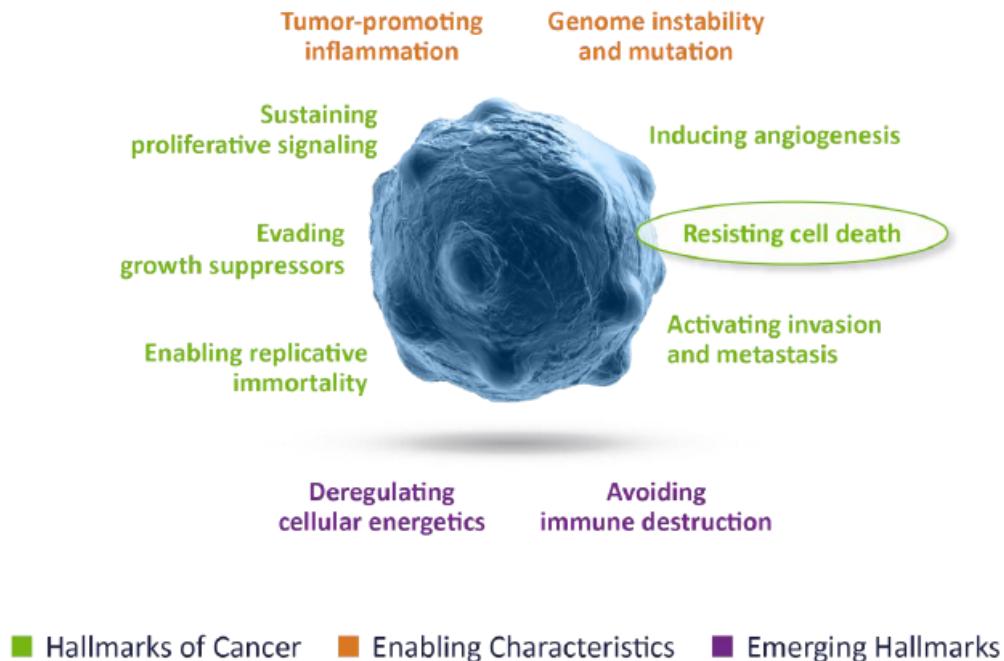
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# Evasion of Apoptosis, or Cell Death, is One Hallmark of Cancer

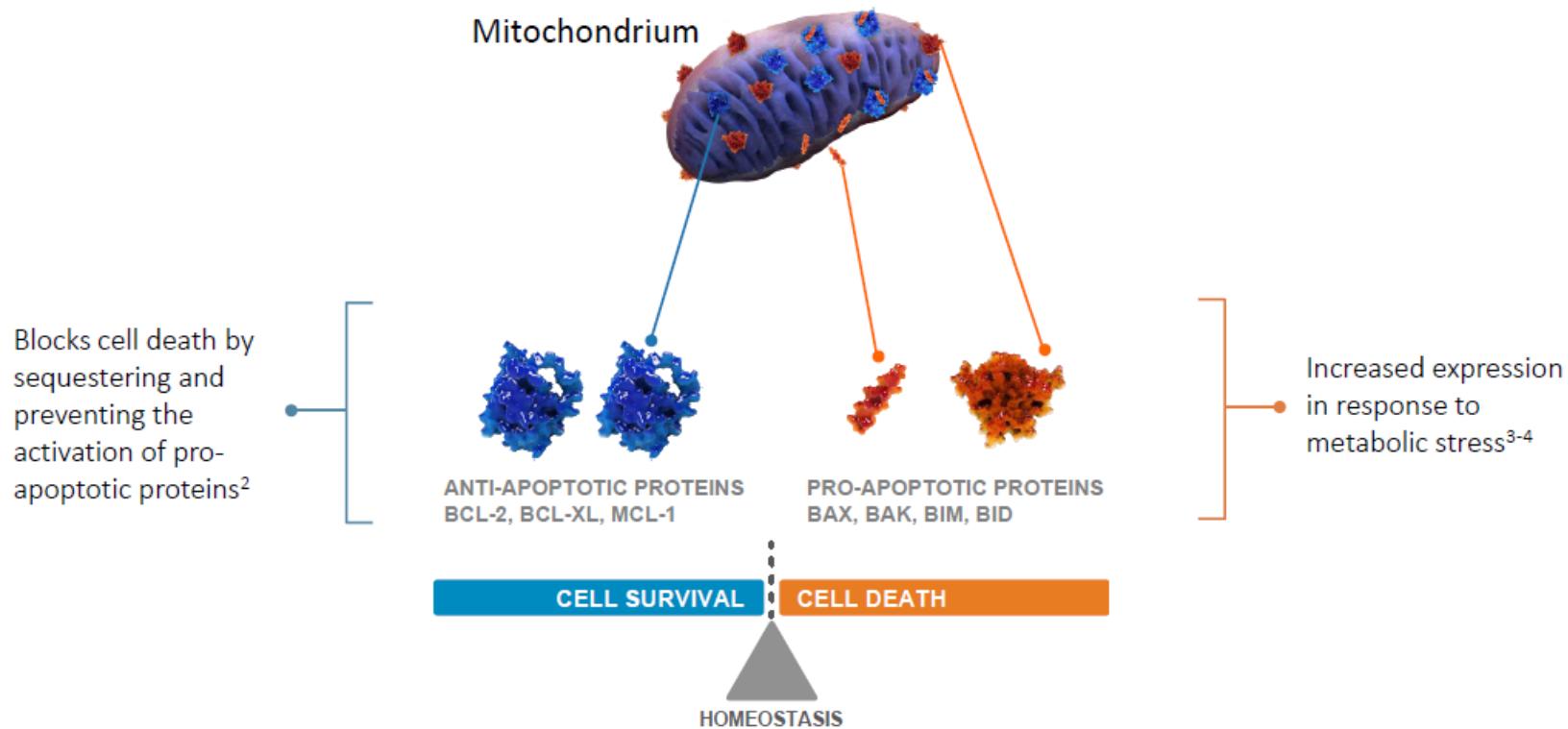
1. Resisting Cell Death
2. Sustained angiogenesis for growth and survival (primarily solid tumors)
3. Self-sufficiency in growth signals
4. Insensitivity to anti-growth signals
5. Tissue invasion and metastasis
6. Limitless replication potential



Others: Evasion of immune system

# The BCL-2 Family of Proteins Regulate the Apoptotic Process

The BCL-2 family consists of pro- and anti-apoptotic proteins that function cooperatively to regulate the intrinsic pathway of apoptosis<sup>1-2</sup>.



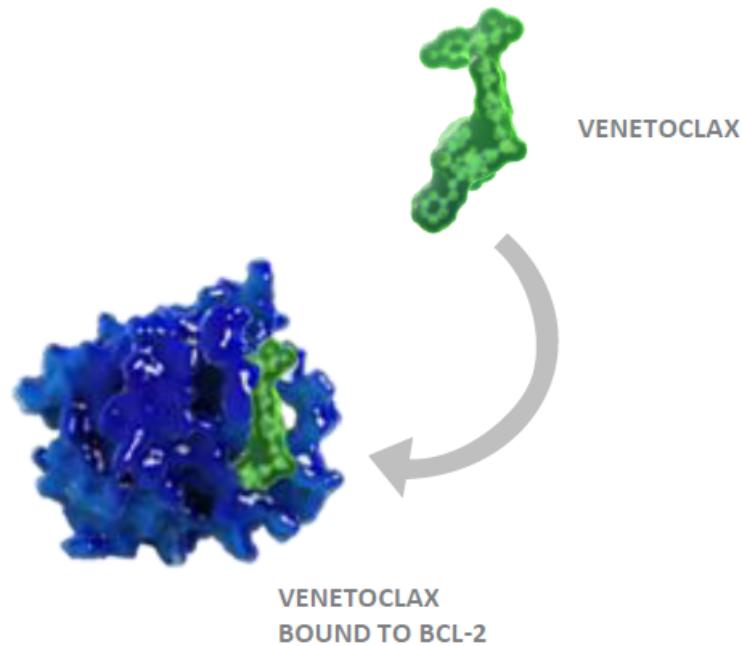
*The dynamic balance between pro- and anti-apoptotic members determines whether a cell will live or die<sup>2</sup>*

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# Venetoclax is a Selective Inhibitor of BCL-2<sup>1</sup>

Venetoclax is a selective, orally available small-molecule BCL-2 inhibitor which helps restore apoptosis independent of TP53 functional status<sup>1,2</sup>.

Venetoclax is structurally designed to bind to BCL-2, in a manner analogous to native pro-apoptotic factors<sup>1</sup>.

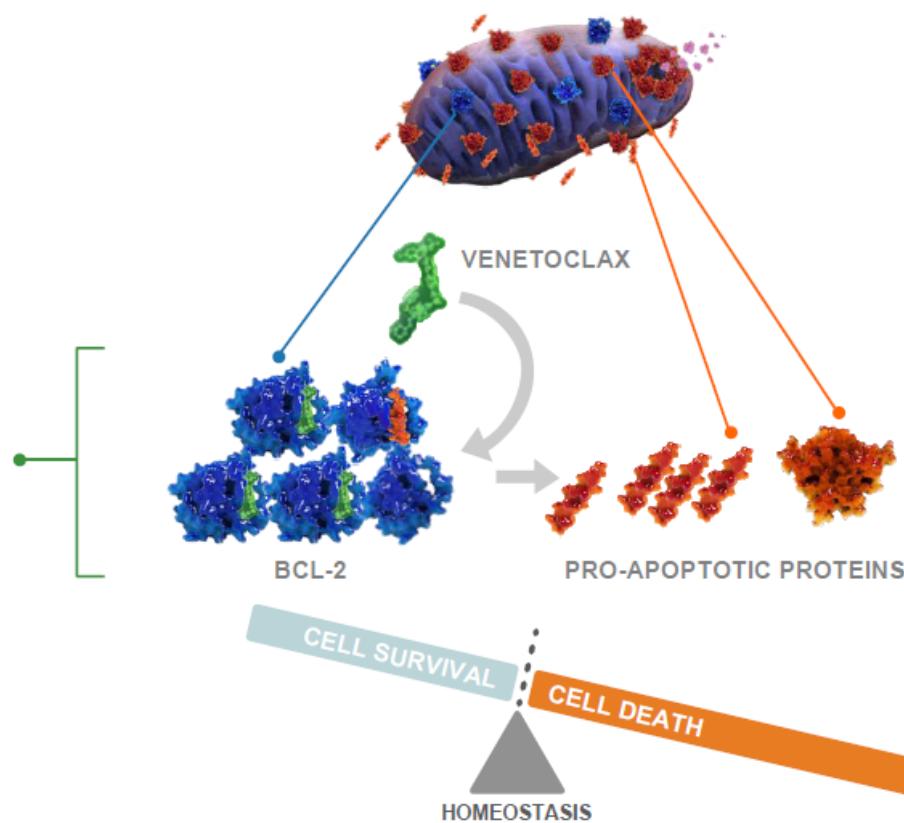


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# Venetoclax Restores Apoptosis by Helping Release Sequestered Pro-apoptotic Proteins<sup>1-4</sup>

Venetoclax inhibits BCL-2 and can contribute to releasing the store of pro-apoptotic proteins, helping tip the balance in favor of cell death<sup>1-3</sup>.

Venetoclax can induce cell death irrespective of TP53 function as the effects of BCL-2 inhibition are thought to be independent of this pathway<sup>4</sup>

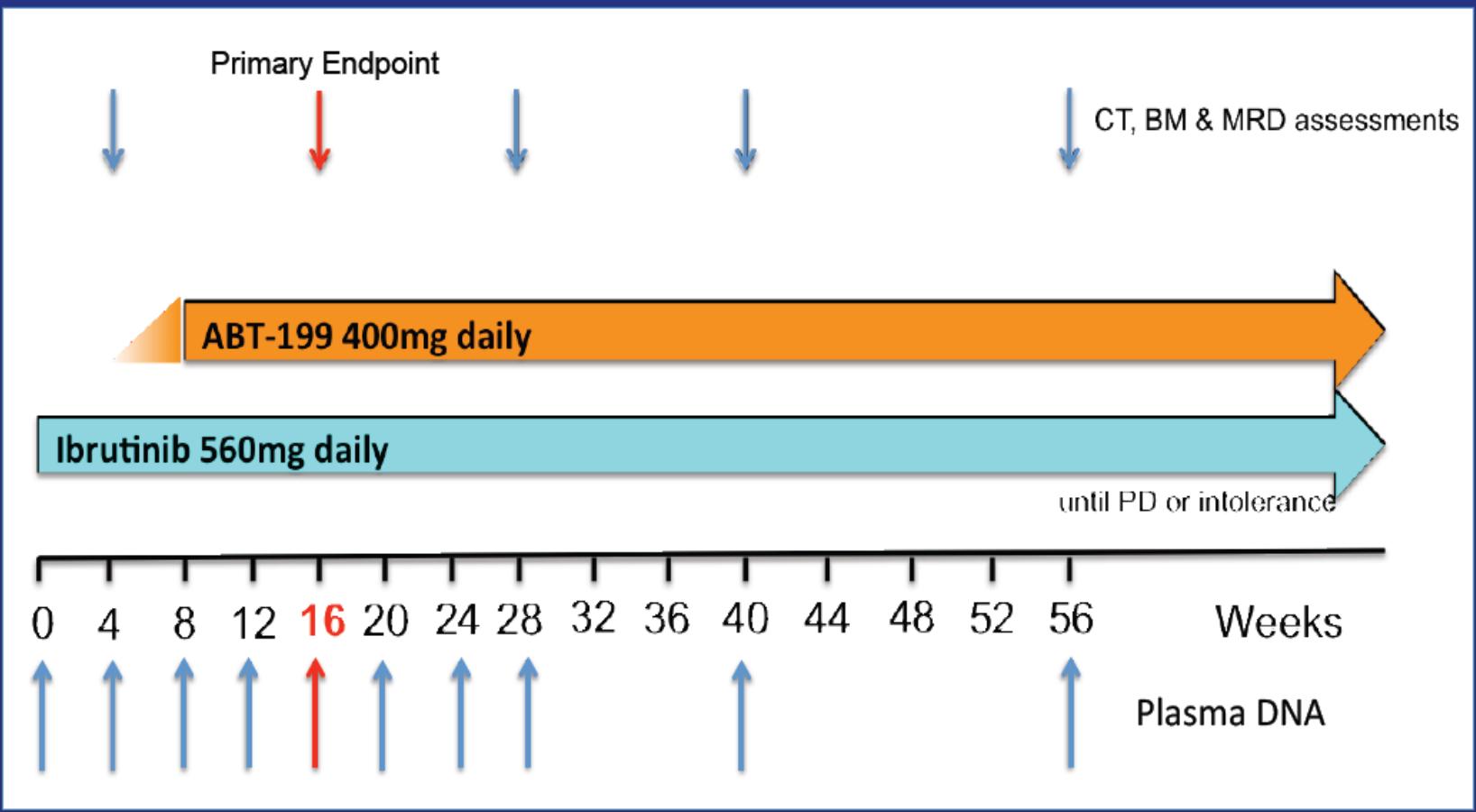


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# Phase I First-in-Human Study of Venetoclax in Patients With Relapsed or Refractory Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

Tx Réponses / histologie (IIT)							
Best response	All (106)	MCL (28)	FL (29)	DLBCL (34)	RT (7)	WM (4)	MZL (3)
ORR (%)	47 (44)	21 (75)	11 (38)	6 (18)	3 (43)	4 (100)	2 (67)
CR (%)	14 (13)	8 (21)	4 (14)	4 (12)	0	0	0
PR (%)	33 (31)	15 (54)	7 (24)	2 (6)	3 (43)	4 (100)	2 (67)
SD (%)	32 (30)	5 (18)	17 (59)	8 (24)	2 (29)	0	0
PD (%)	24 (23)	2 (7)	1 (3)	19 (56)	1 (14)	0	1 (33)

# AIM (ABT-199 & Ibrutinib in MCL) Study Schema



# Background

- Ibrutinib and Venetoclax active in relapsed MCL
  - IB : OR 68%, CR 21%, median PFS 13.9 months
  - VEN : OR 75%, CR 21%, median PFS 14 months
- Multiple preclinical studies indicate *in-vitro* synergism between ibrutinib and venetoclax

# Baseline Patient Characteristics

Baseline Characteristic (N = 24)	Value	
Age (years), median (range)	68	(47 – 81)
Male	21	88%
ECOG 0 – 1	19	79%
ECOG 2	5	21%
B-symptoms	4	17%
Largest bulk 5 to 10 cm	4	17%
Largest bulk > 10cm	7	29%
MIPI Low	2	8%
MIPI Intermediate	3	13%
MIPI High	19	79%
No prior therapy for MCL	1	4%
Previously treated for MCL	23	96%
- Lines of prior therapy, median (range)	2	(1 – 6)
- Prior autologous stem cell transplantation	7	29%
- No response (<PR) to last treatment	11	48%

# AIM Study: Response Rates (CT)

	Week 4, CT only	Week 16, CT only
Complete Response (CR)	0	10 (42%)
CR, unconfirmed	1 (4%)	4 (17%)
Partial Response (PR)	10 (42%)	4 (17%)
Stable Disease (SD)	9 (38%)	1 (4%)
Progressive disease (PD)	2 (8%)	3 (13%)
Not Evaluable	2 (8%)	2 (8%)

Wk 16

OR = 75%

CR + CR/u = 58%

Patients were restaged at week 16 using CT, PET, double endoscopy (if baseline involvement), and BMAT with MRD studies. Two patients were not evaluable due to early death (n=1), and target lesions judged on central review to be too small and poorly FDG avid for reproducible measurement (n=1).

# AIM Study: Response Rates (PET)

	Week 16, CT only	Week 16, PET/CT
<b>Complete Response (CR)</b>	10 (42%)	15 (63%)
<b>CR, unconfirmed</b>	4 (17%)	-
<b>Partial Response (PR)</b>	4 (17%)	2 (8%)
<b>Stable Disease (SD)</b>	1 (4%)	1 (4%)
<b>Progressive disease (PD)</b>	3 (13%)	4 (17%)
<b>Not Evaluable</b>	2 (8%)	2 (8%)

Wk 16

OR = 71%

CR = 63%

Patients were restaged at week 16 using CT, PET, double endoscopy (if baseline involvement), and BMAT with MRD studies. Two patients were not evaluable due to early death (n=1), and target lesions judged on central review to be too small and poorly FDG avid for reproducible measurement (n=1).

# Grazie per l'Attenzione!

