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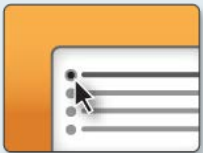
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# **Module 1: Front-Line Treatment of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) — Dr Danilov**



**Dr Tina Bhatnagar**  
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**Case Presentation: 91-year-old man with Rai Stage 0 CLL underwent surveillance x 5 years and now develops cytopenias and transfusion-dependent anemia**



**Dr Jennifer Dallas**  
**(Charlotte, North Carolina)**

**Case Presentation: 67-year-old woman with IGHV-unmutated CLL develops night sweats, rapid doubling time of ALC**



## Case Presentation: 54-year-old man with relapsed CLL s/p ibrutinib x 5 years now with disease progression



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# **Front-Line Treatment of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia**

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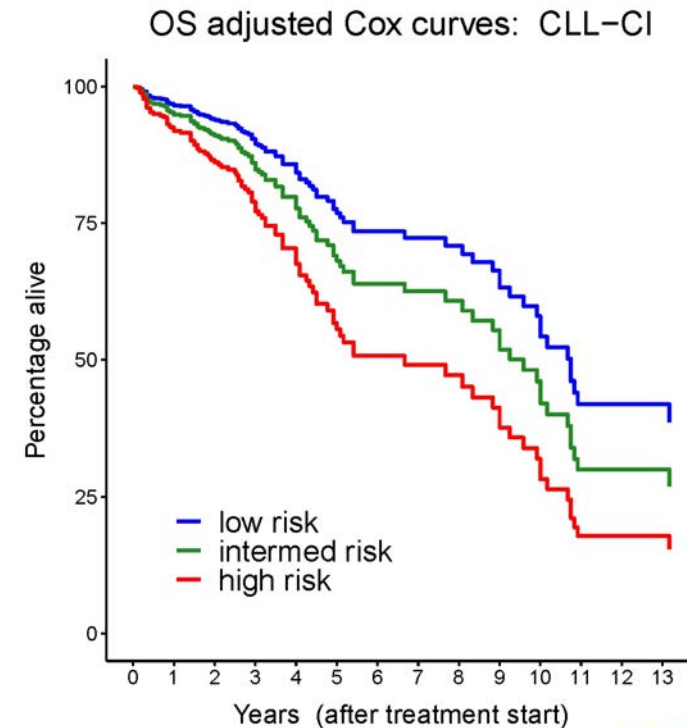
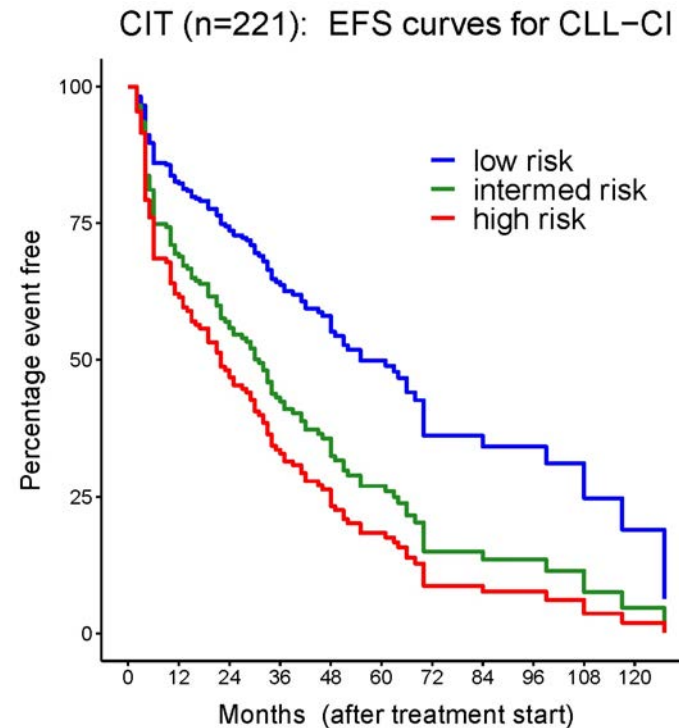
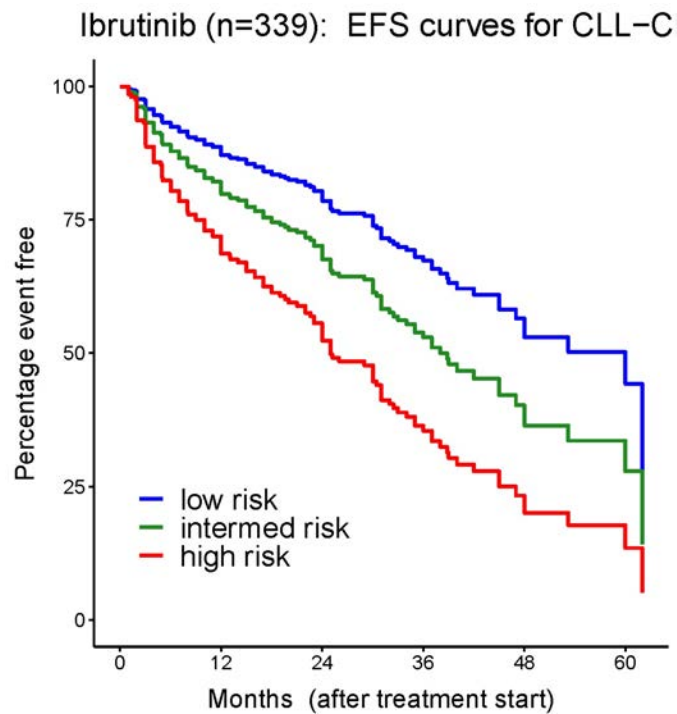
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# Factors to Consider when Selecting Treatment for CLL

- ***IGHV*** mutation status: once
- **del(17p)** by FISH and ***TP53*** mutation status: frontline and before each line of therapy
- Patient's age and comorbidities (cardiac, vascular)

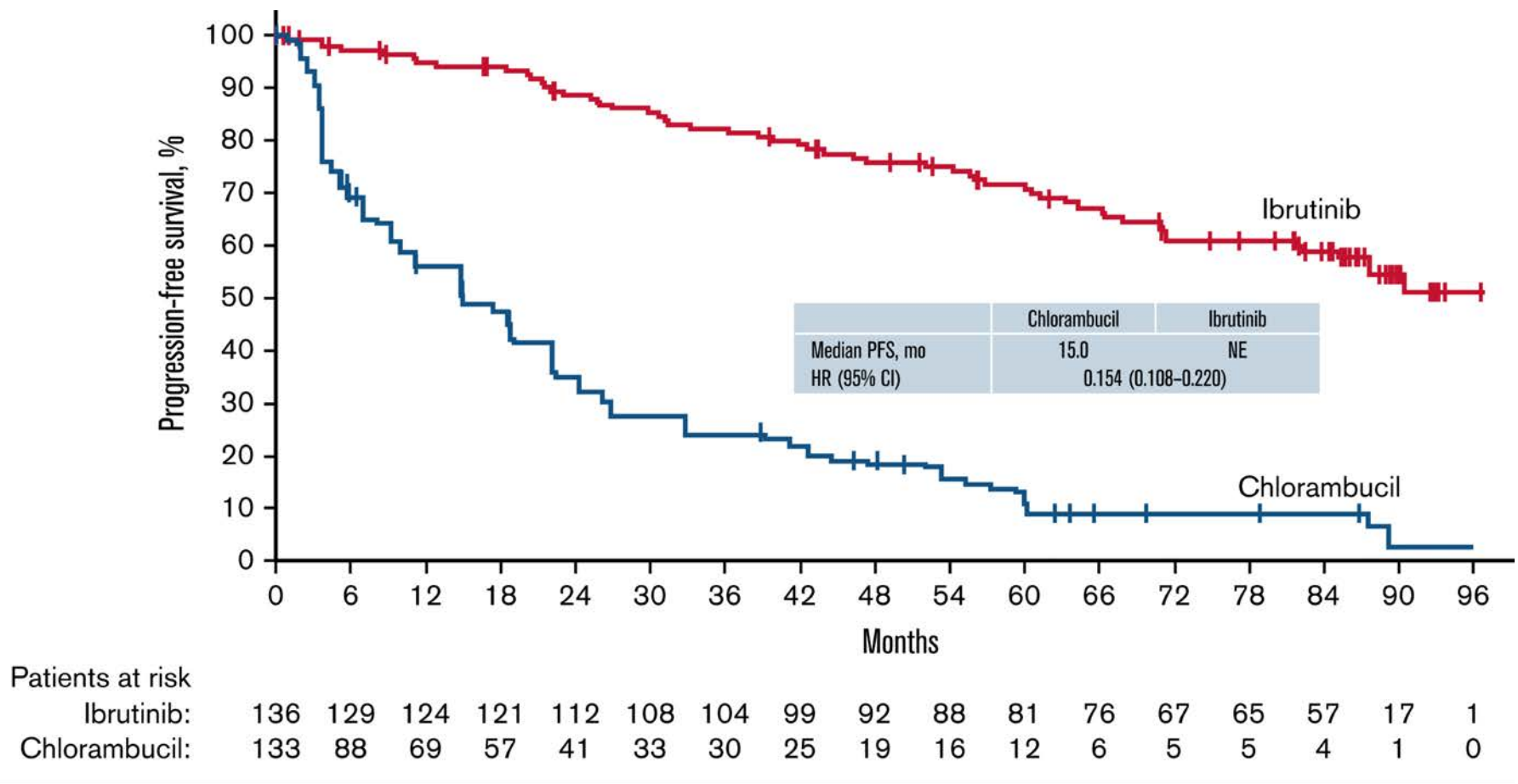


# Frontline Phase III Randomized Trials in CLL

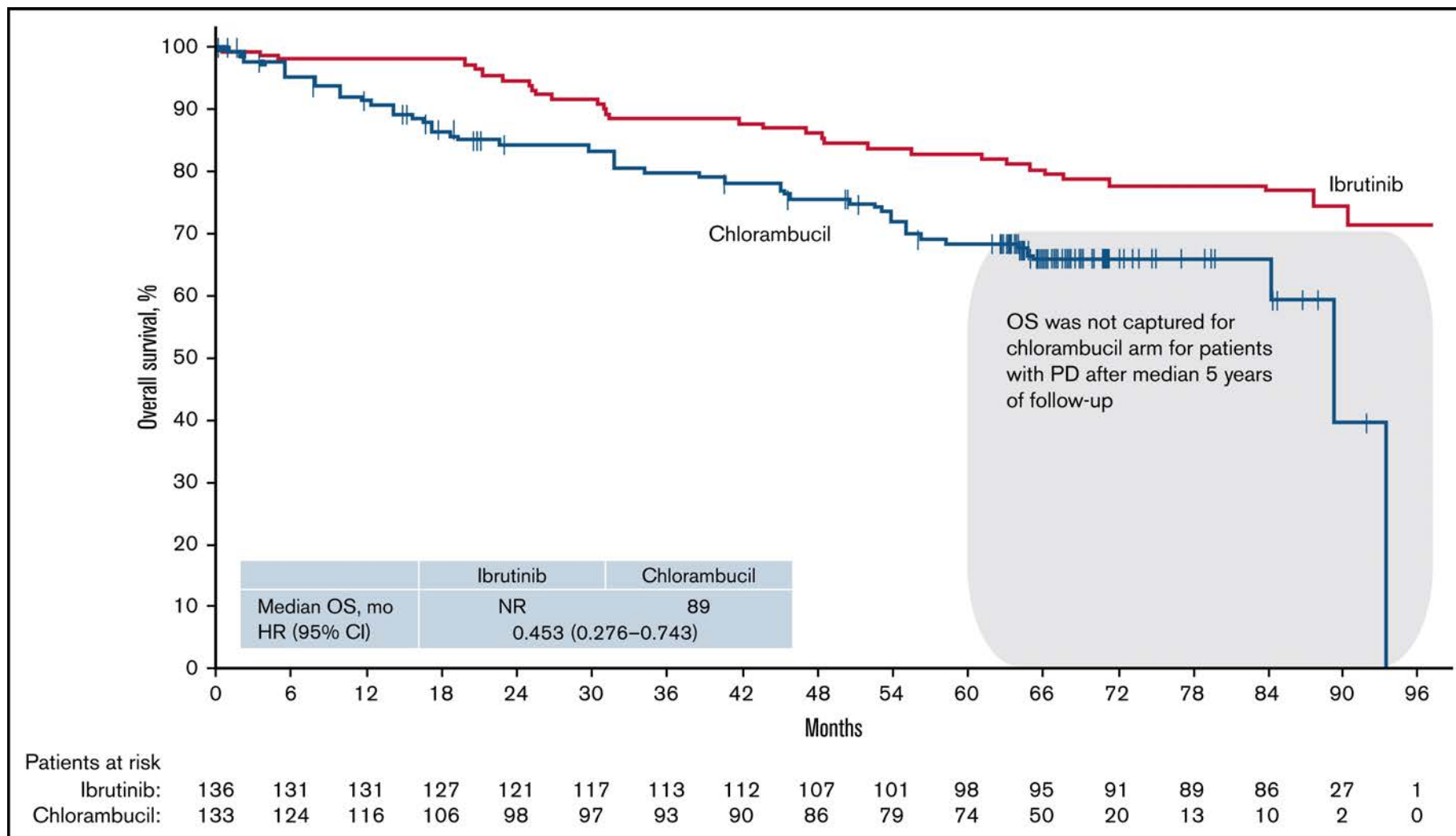
BTKi	BCL2i	Novel-novel
<p><b>RESONATE-2</b> (&gt;65 or comorbidities)  <b>Ibrutinib</b> vs. <b>Chlorambucil</b></p> <p><b>iLLUMINATE</b> (PCYC-1130) (&gt;65 or comorbidities)  <b>Ibrutinib + O</b> vs. <b>Chlorambucil + O</b></p> <p><b>ECOG E1912</b> [&lt;70; non-del(17p)]  <b>Ibrutinib + R</b> vs. <b>FCR</b></p> <p><b>Alliance A041202</b> (&gt;65)  <b>Ibrutinib</b> vs. <b>Ibrutinib + R</b> vs. <b>BR</b></p> <p><b>ELEVATE-TN</b> (&gt;65 or comorbidities)  <b>Acala</b> vs. <b>Acala + O</b> vs. <b>Chlorambucil + O</b></p> <p><b>SEQUOIA</b> [≥65 OR comorbidities; non-del(17p)]  <b>Zanubrutinib</b> vs. <b>BR</b></p> <p><b>FLAIR</b> [≤75; non-del(17p)]  <b>Ibrutinib + R</b> vs. <b>FCR</b></p>	<p><b>CLL14</b> (CIRS &gt;6; CrCl &lt;70 mL/min)  <b>Venetoclax + O</b> vs. <b>Chlorambucil + O</b></p>	<p><b>GLOW</b> (&gt;65 or comorbidities)  <b>Ibrutinib + Venetoclax</b> vs. <b>Chlorambucil + O</b></p> <p><b>CLL13</b> (&gt;65yo or ≤65yo with comorbidities)  <b>I+V+O</b> vs. <b>Ven+O</b> vs. <b>Ven+R</b>  vs. <b>FCR/BR</b></p>



# RESONATE-2: PFS after 8-year follow-up

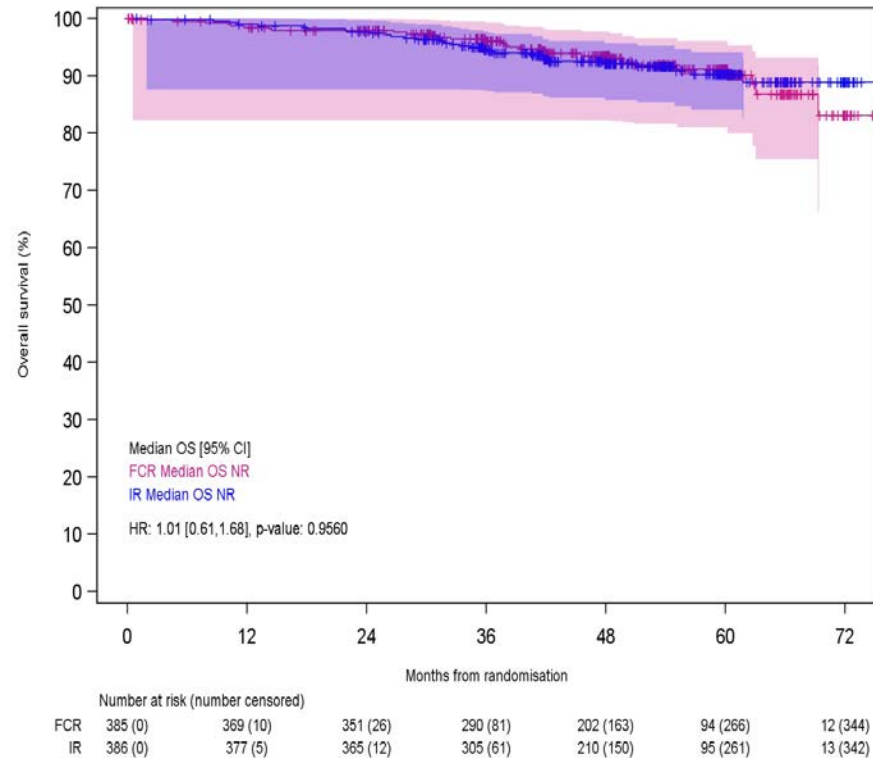


# RESONATE-2: OS after 8-year follow-up

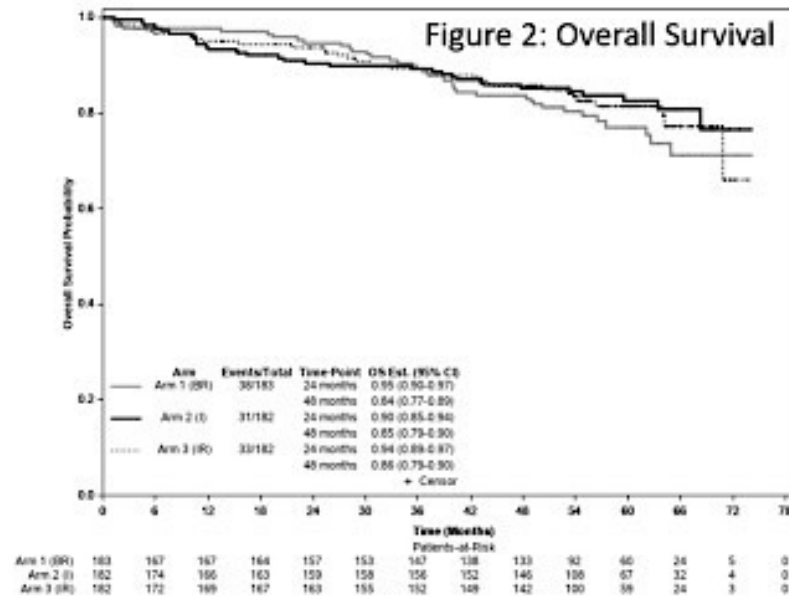


# OS across frontline Phase III ibrutinib vs chemo studies

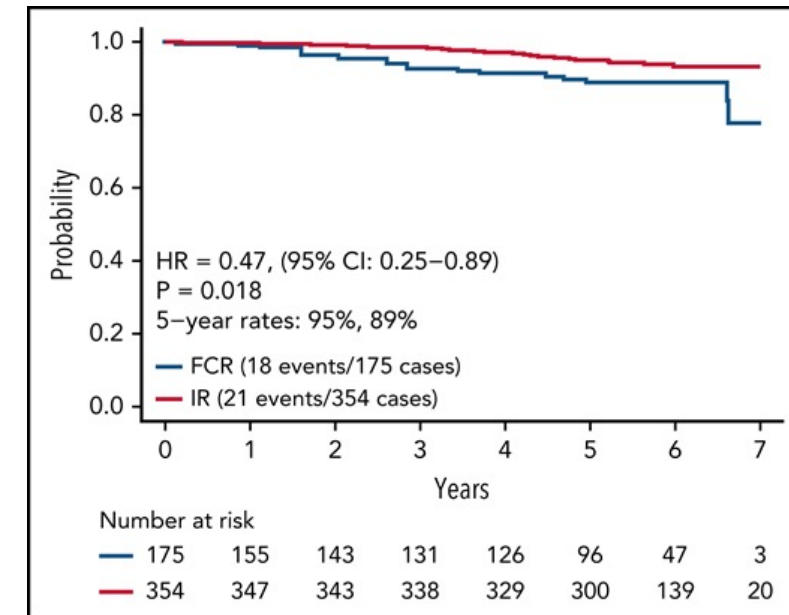
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**Alliance (Woyach, 2021)**

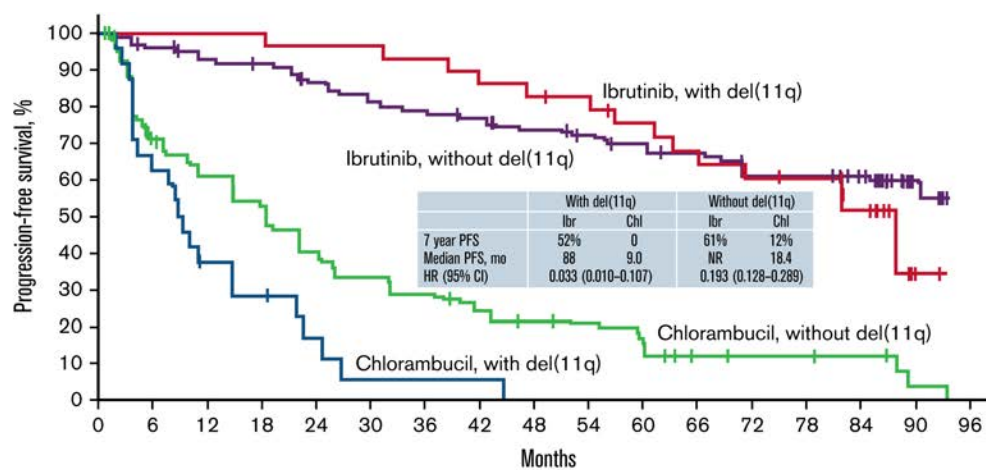


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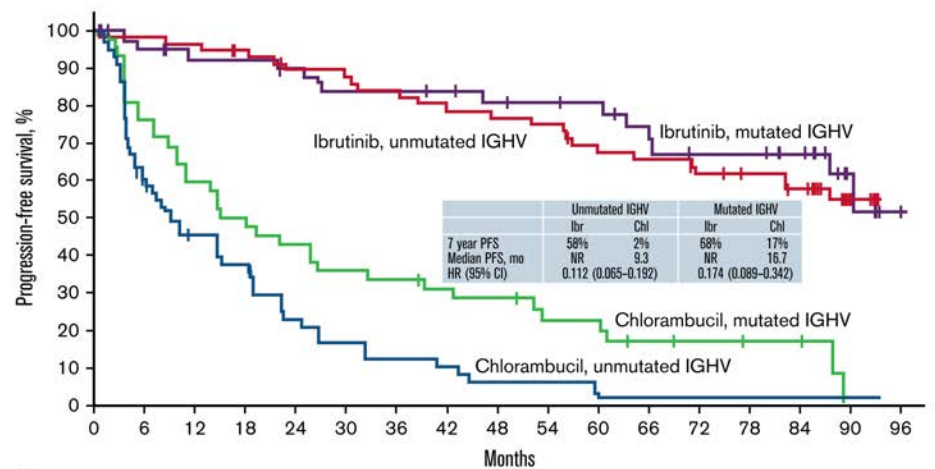




# Ibrutinib Overcomes del(11q) and U-IGHV in RESONATE-2



Patients at risk														
Ibrutinib, without del(11q):	101	94	89	87	80	76	73	70	64	61	57	55	48	47
Ibrutinib, with del(11q):	29	29	29	29	28	28	27	25	24	23	20	18	16	16
Chlorambucil, without del(11q):	96	64	54	45	35	29	25	21	17	15	12	6	5	5
Chlorambucil, with del(11q):	25	15	8	6	3	1	1	1	0					

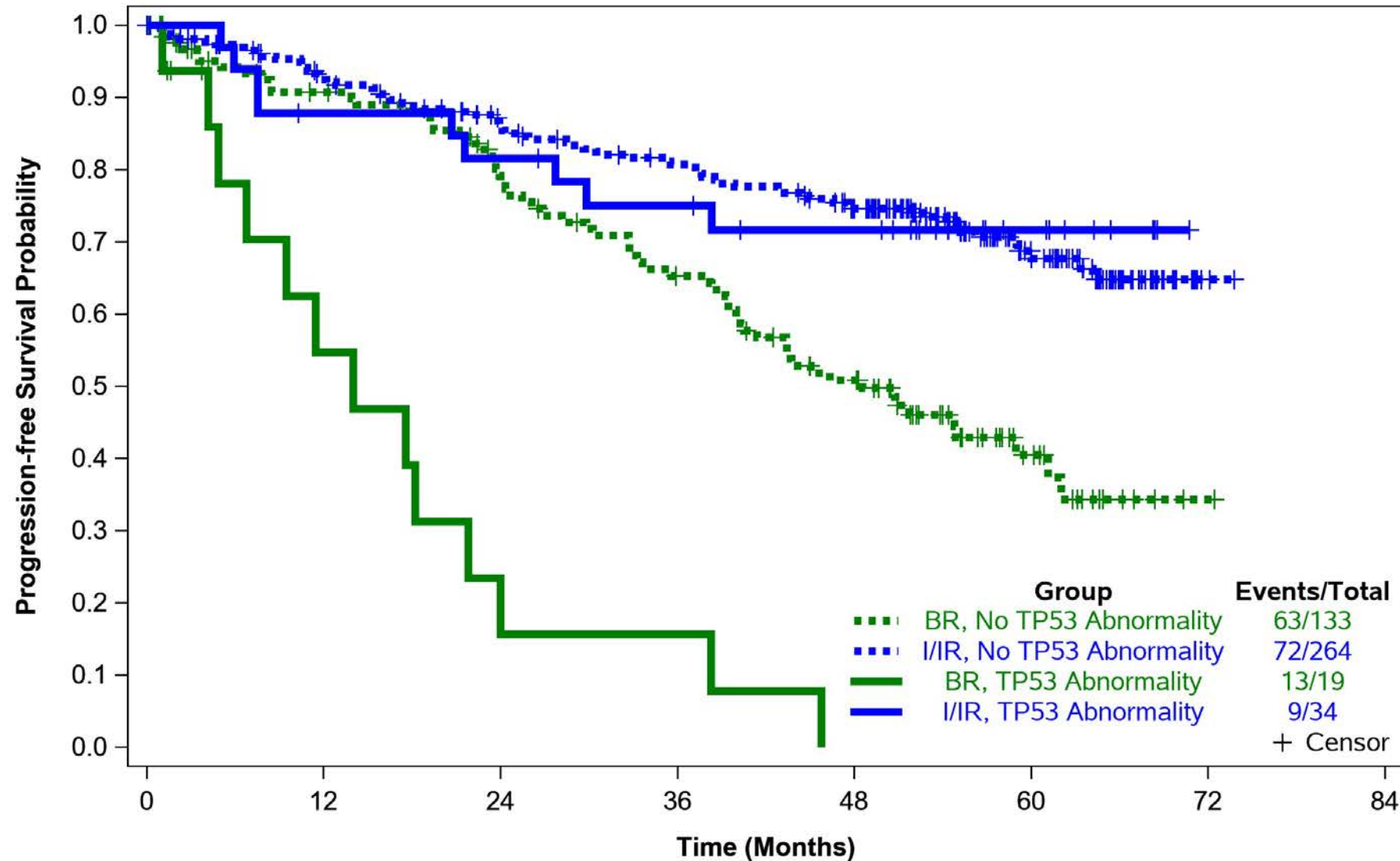


Patients at risk														
Ibrutinib, mutated IGHV:	40	37	34	34	32	30	30	29	27	26	25	22	19	19
Ibrutinib, unmutated IGHV:	58	57	56	53	49	48	46	43	42	41	36	35	32	30
Chlorambucil, mutated IGHV:	42	32	25	21	18	15	14	12	11	8	5	4	4	3
Chlorambucil, unmutated IGHV:	60	33	23	19	11	8	6	5	3	3	2	1	1	1





# Ibrutinib and TP53 abnormalities: Alliance study



Treatment Effect

I/IR vs BR

No TP53 Abn

Hazard Ratio 0.39

95% CI: 0.27-0.55

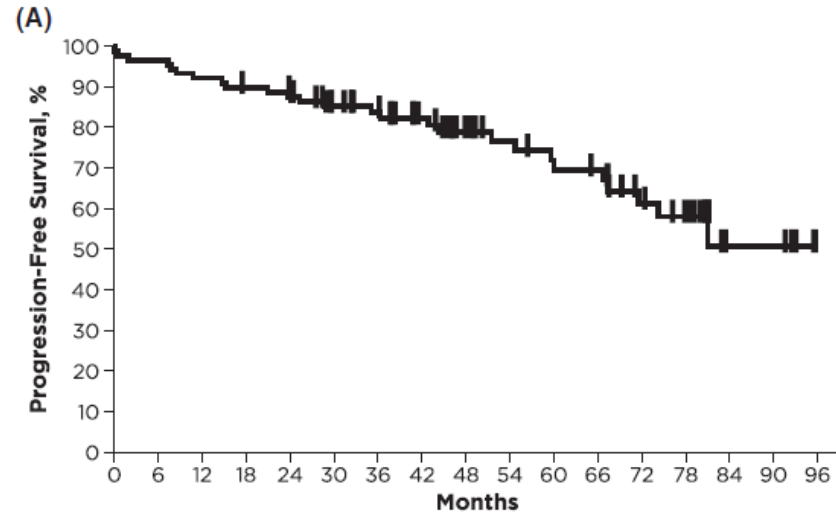
TP53 Abn

Hazard Ratio 0.07

95% CI: 0.03-0.18

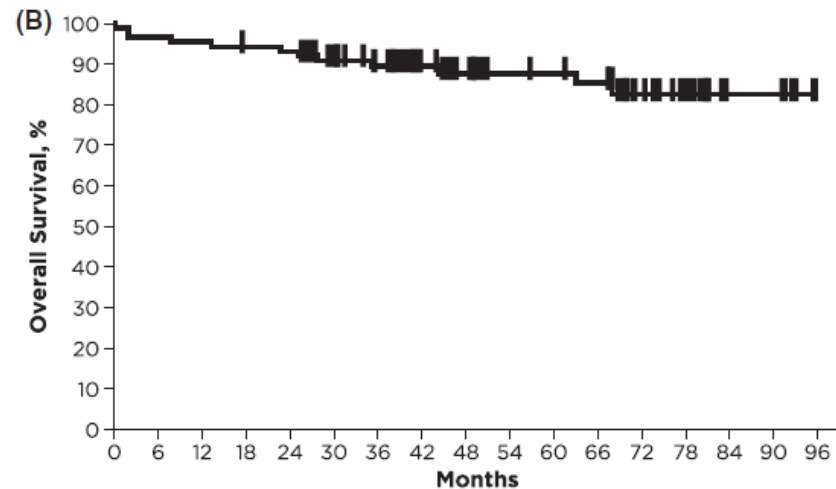
Interaction P = 0.0006

# Pooled analysis of ibrutinib in TN *TP53*<sup>mut</sup> CLL



4-year PFS – 80%

Patients at risk 89 86 82 79 75 66 60 49 39 33 29 28 20 16 5 5 0



4-year OS – 88%

Patients at risk 89 86 85 83 82 73 65 52 45 37 36 34 24 18 7 7 0

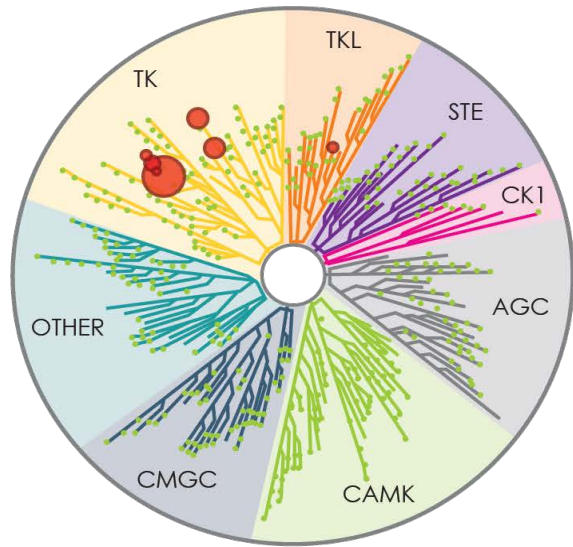
# Cardiac toxicity with ibrutinib

	FCR				IR			
	Sudden unexplained death or cardiac death				Sudden unexplained death or cardiac death			
Hypertension or prior history of cardiac disorder (on treatment at trial entry)		No	Yes	Total		No	Yes	Total
	No	288	2	290	No	276	1	277
	Yes	88	0	88	Yes	100	7	107
	Total	376	2	378	Total	376	8	384
	Relative Risk IE* Fisher's Exact P IE*				Relative Risk 18.1, 95%CI (2.3-146) Fisher's Exact P <0.001			

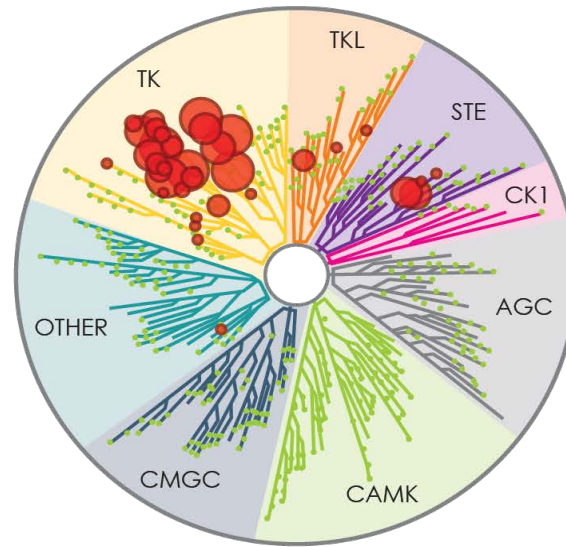
## Meta-analysis

FLAIR is not an outlier for sudden unexplained or cardiac deaths in ibrutinib-containing arms and is consistent with other phase III CLL ibrutinib-containing trials including ALLIANCE, iLLUMINATE, RESONATE, GENUINE and HELIOS.

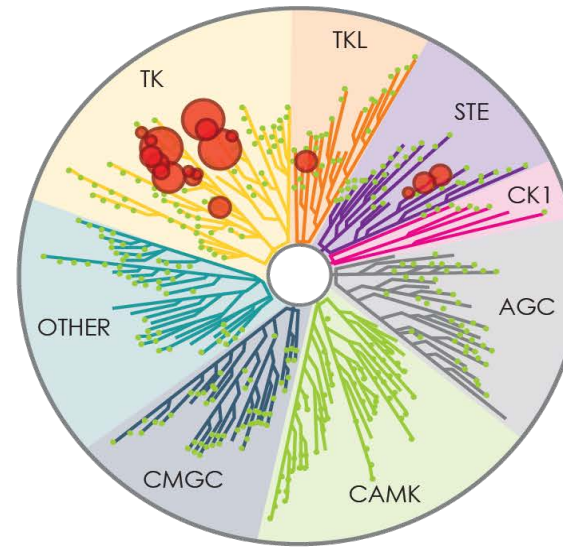
# BTKI's: Kinase Selectivity



Acalabrutinib

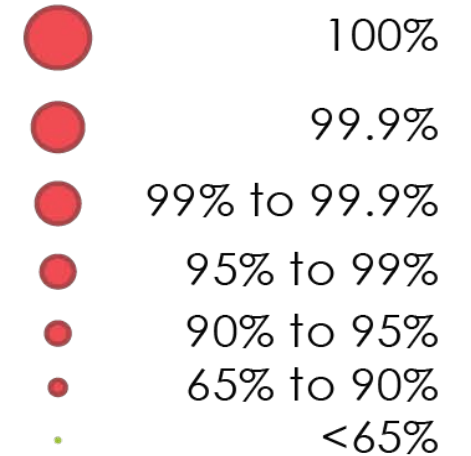


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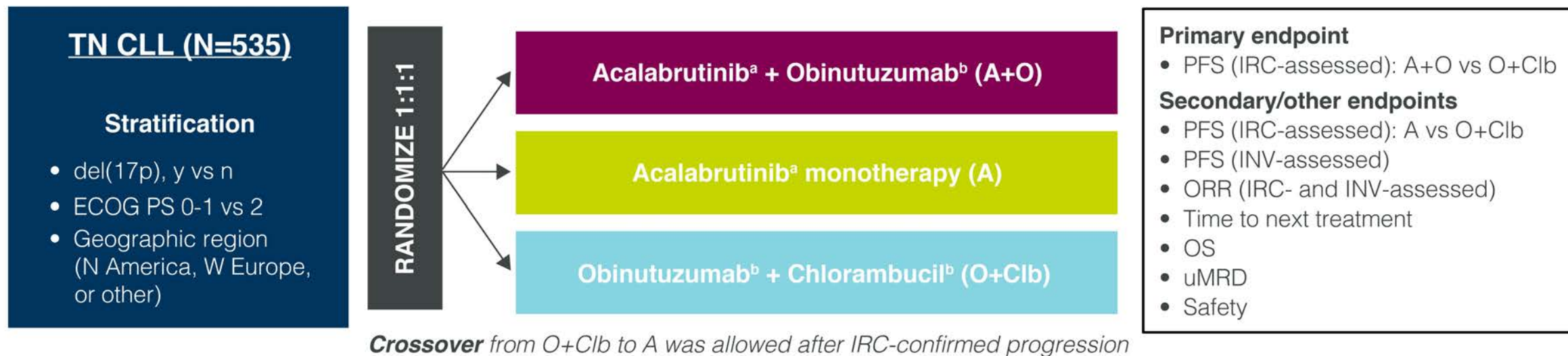


Zanubrutinib

## Percent Inhibition



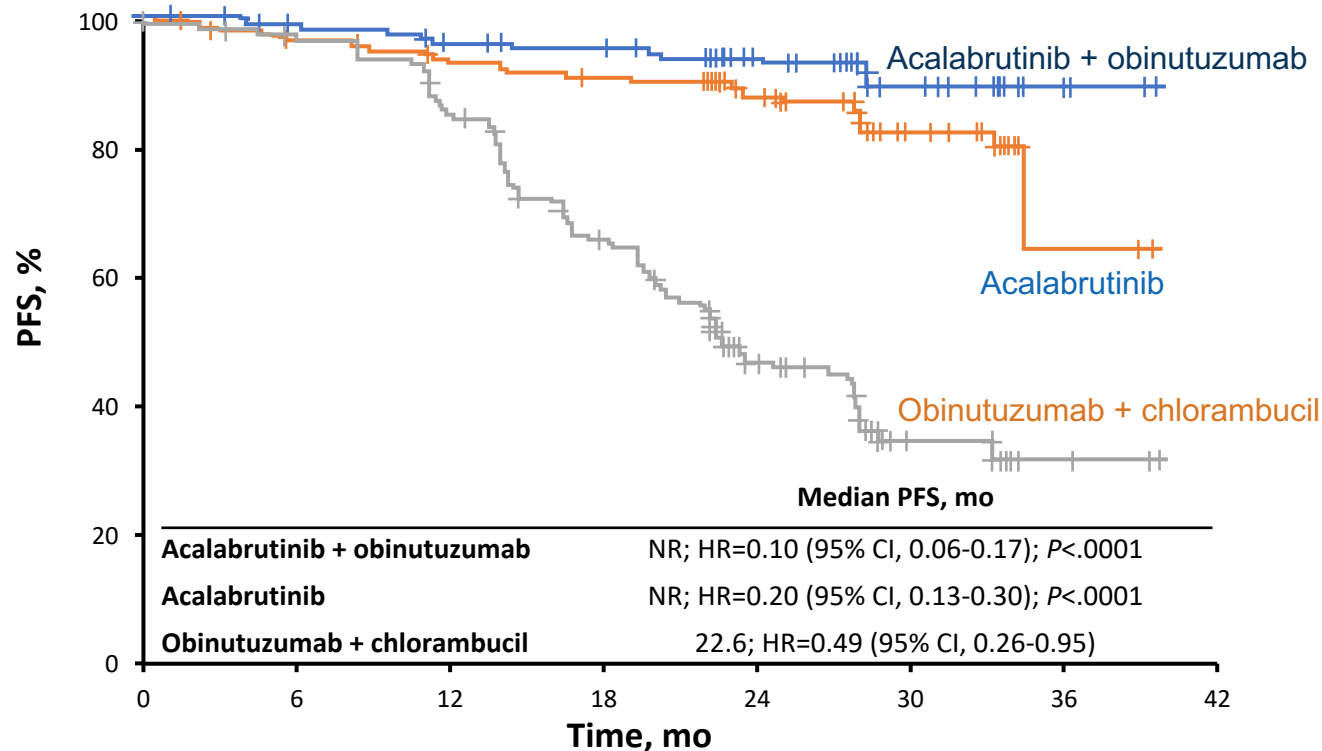
# Acalabrutinib in frontline CLL: ELEVATE-TN



**Note:** After interim analysis,<sup>7</sup> PFS assessments were by investigator only

# ELEVATE-TN: PFS (Primary Endpoint)

## PFS by IRC



## Estimated PFS at 24 months

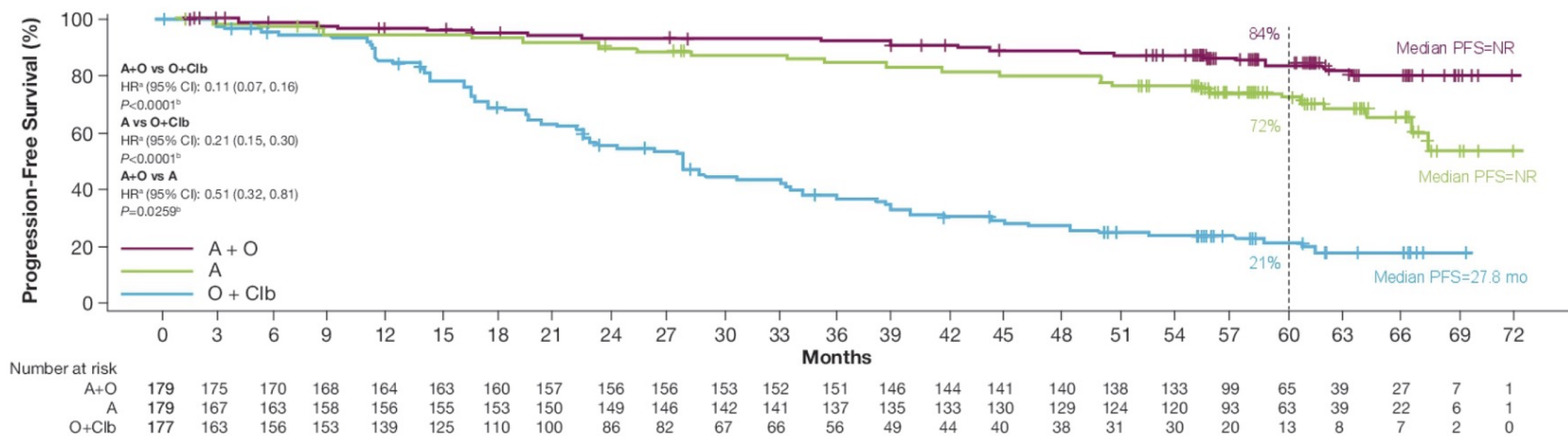
- 93% with acalabrutinib + obinutuzumab (95% CI, 87%-96%)
- 87% with acalabrutinib monotherapy (95% CI, 81%-92%)
- 47% with obinutuzumab + chlorambucil (95% CI, 39%-55%)

**Post-hoc analysis:** HR for PFS between acalabrutinib-obinutuzumab and acalabrutinib monotherapy was 0.49 (95% CI, 0.26-0.95)



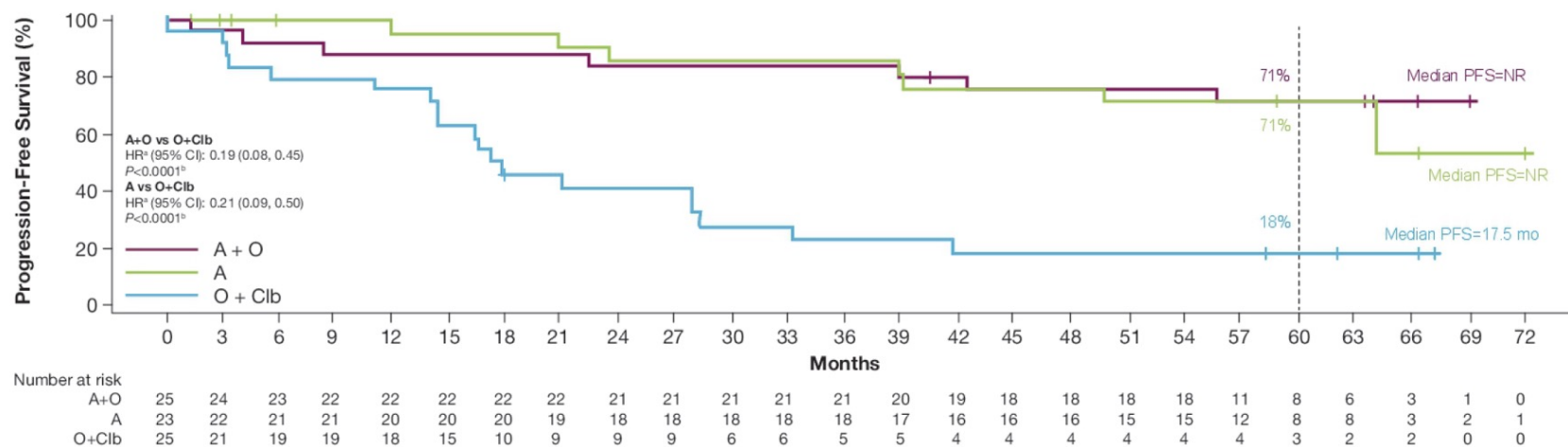
# 5-Year Follow-Up of the ELEVATE-TN Phase 3 Study: PFS

## INV-Assessed PFS

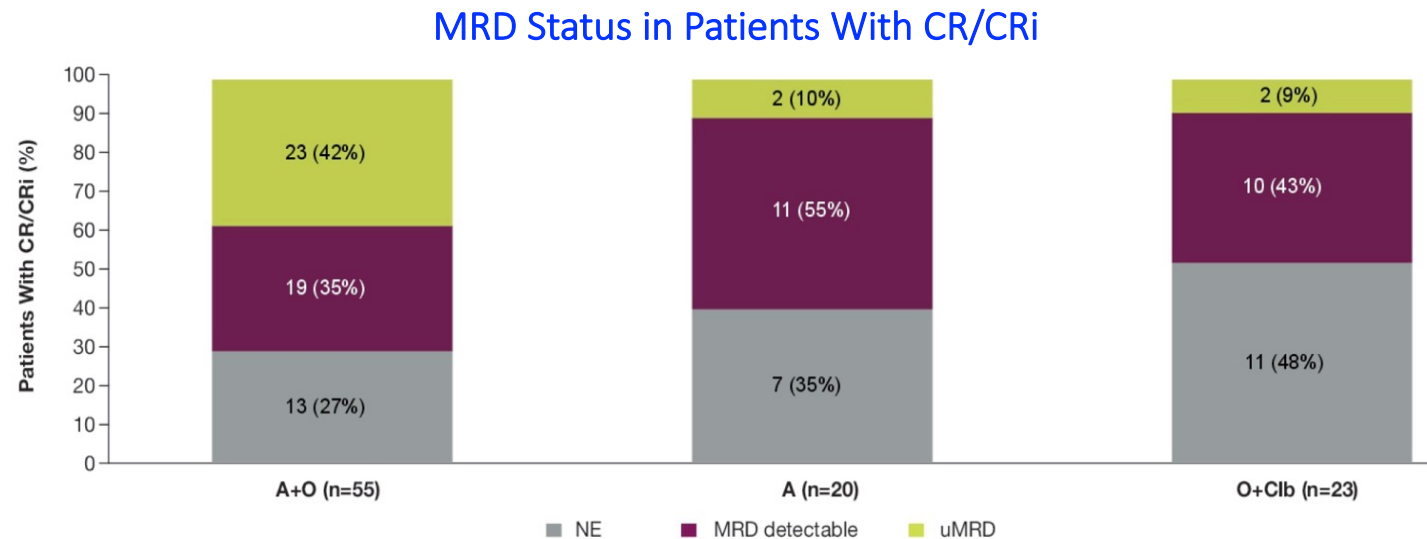
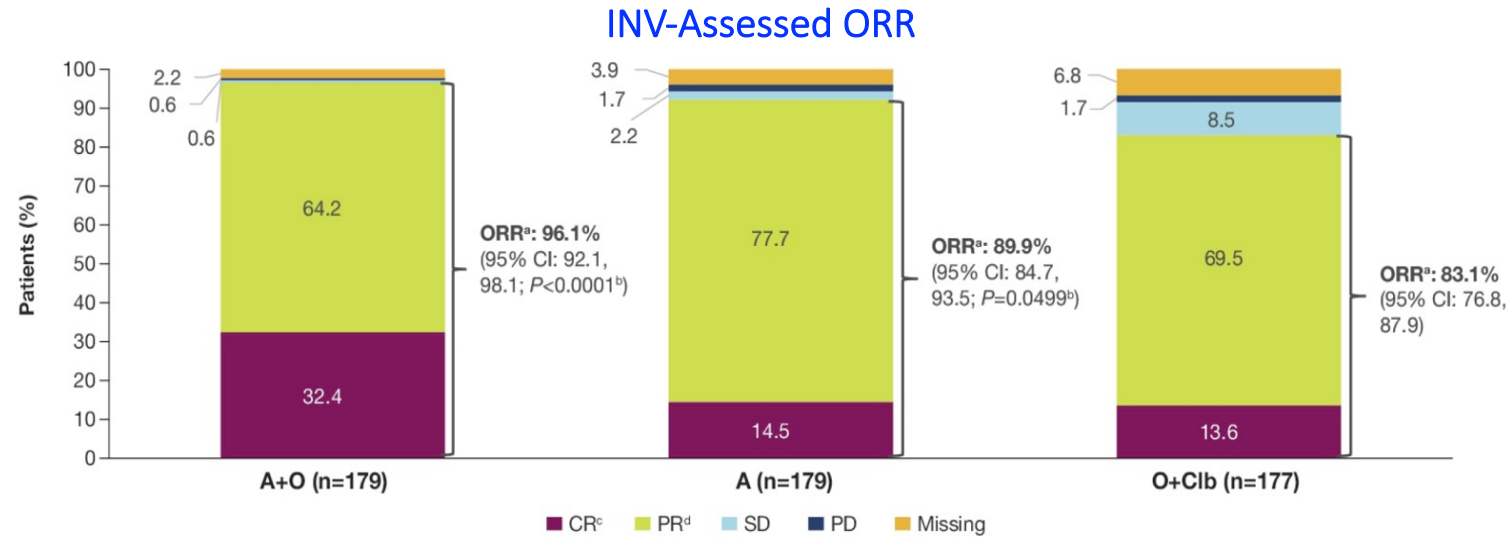


Median follow-up:  
58.2 months  
(range, 0.0-72.0)

## INV-Assessed PFS in Patients With del(17p) and/or Mutated *TP53*



# 5-Year Follow-Up of the ELEVATE-TN Phase 3 Study: ORR and uMRD





# 5-Year Follow-Up of the ELEVATE-TN Phase 3 Study: AEs of Clinical Interest

AEs of Clinical Interest, n (%)	A+O (n=178)		A (n=179)		O+Clb (n=169)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
Cardiac events	43 (24.2)	17 (9.6)	39 (21.8)	18 (10.1)	13 (7.7)	3 (1.8)
AFib	11 (6.2)	2 (1.1)	13 (7.3)	2 (1.1)	1 (0.6)	0
Bleeding	88 (49.4)	8 (4.5)	78 (43.6)	6 (3.4)	20 (11.8)	0
Major bleeding	12 (6.7)	8 (4.5)	8 (4.5)	6 (3.4)	2 (1.2)	0
Hypertension	17 (9.6)	8 (4.5)	16 (8.9)	7 (3.9)	6 (3.6)	5 (3.0)
Infections	140 (78.7)	50 (28.1)	135 (75.4)	35 (19.6)	75 (44.4)	14 (8.3)
SPMs	31 (17.4)	14 (7.9)	27 (15.1)	7 (3.9)	7 (4.1)	3 (1.8)
Excluding non-melanoma skin	17 (9.6)	12 (6.7)	13 (7.3)	5 (2.8)	3 (1.8)	2 (1.2)

## Patient Disposition

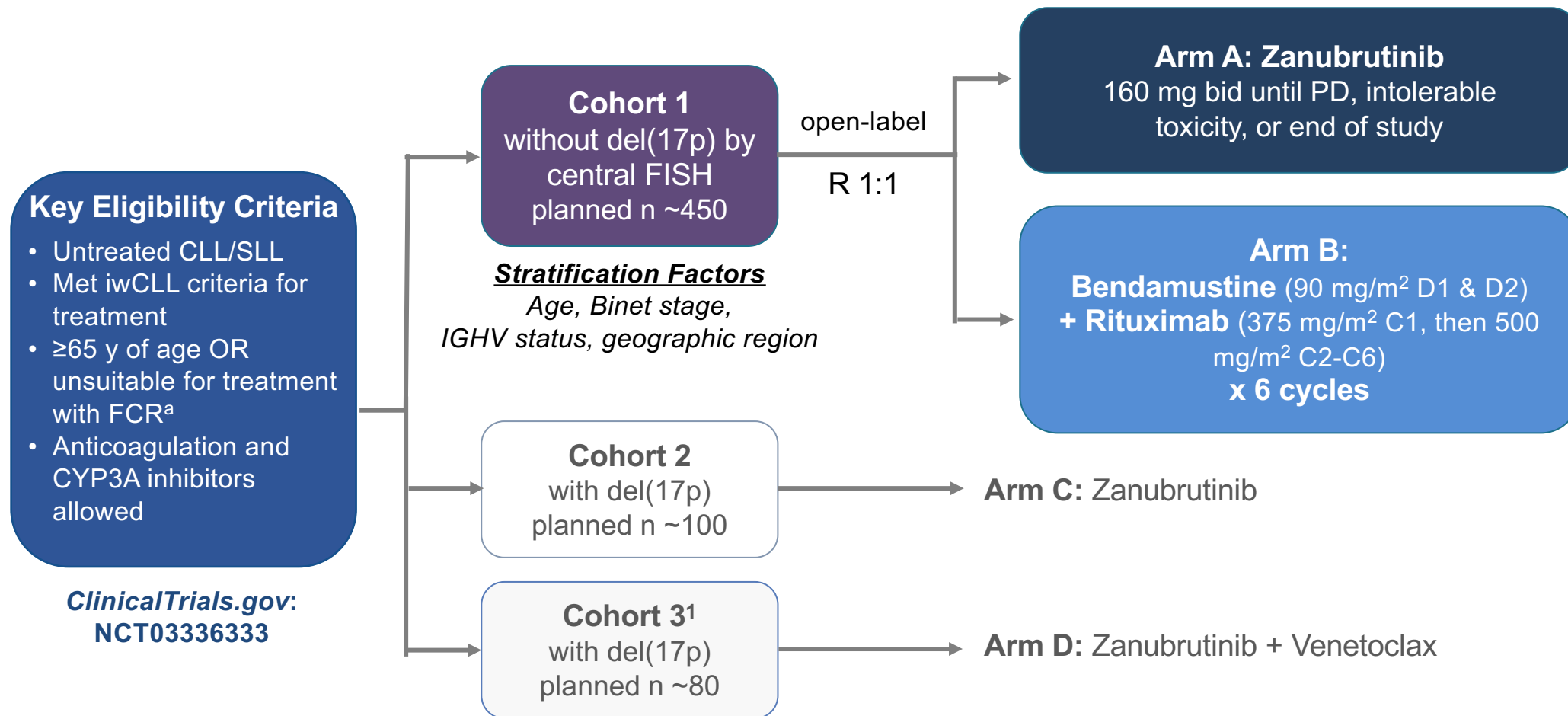
- Treatment still ongoing: A+O 64.8% and A 59.8%
- Discontinuation rates: A+O 35.2%, A 40.2%, O+Clb 22.6%
  - Due to AEs: 17.3%, 15.6%, 14.1%
  - Due to PD: 5.6%, 10.1%, 1.7%

## Safety

- Most common AEs were similar to prior analyses
- AEs that occurred more frequently in A+O and A vs O+Clb included headache, diarrhea, and arthralgia
- AEs that occurred more frequently with O+Clb included neutropenia, nausea, and IRR

# SEQUOIA (BGB-3111-304)

## Study Design

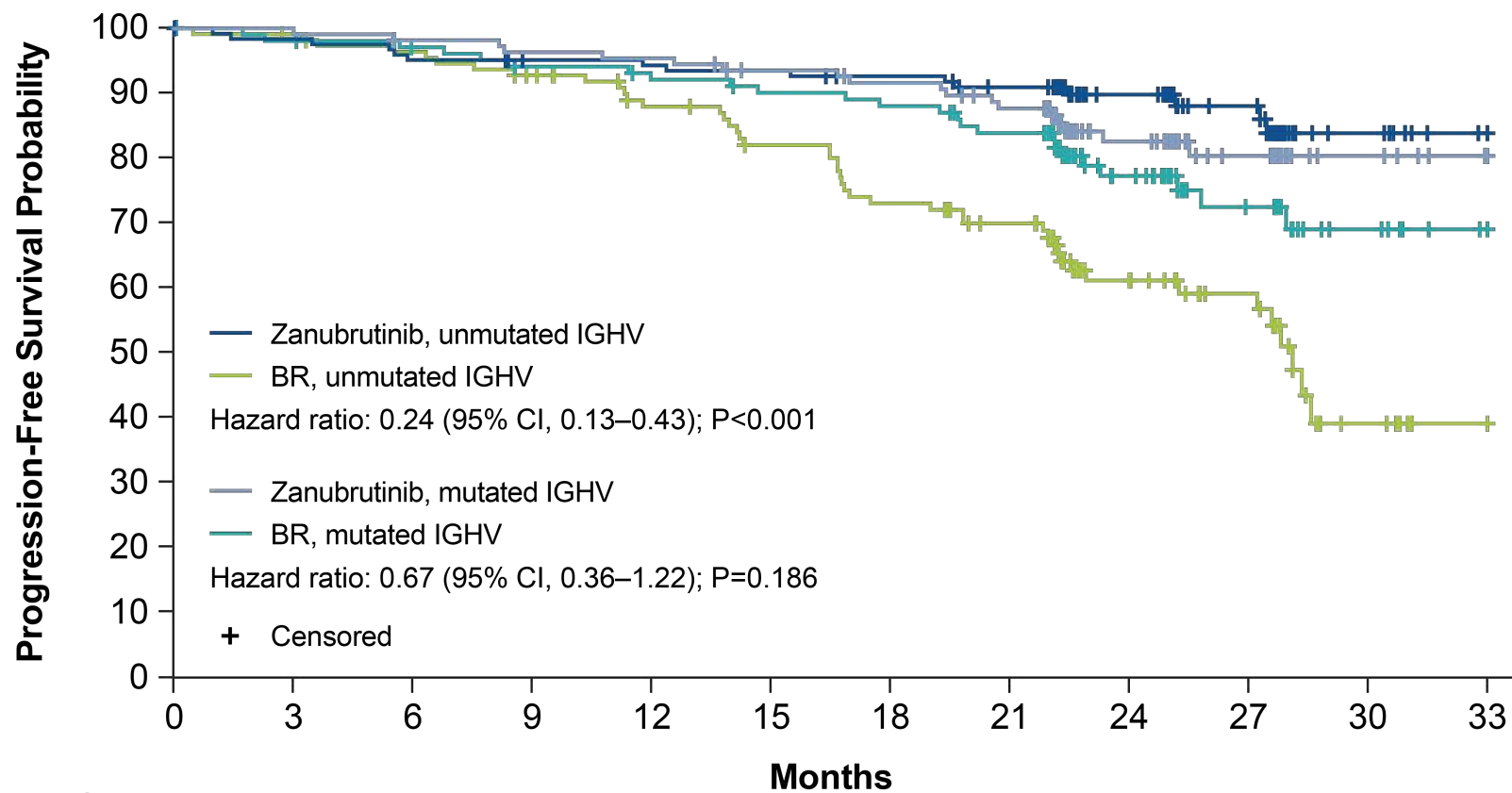


<sup>a</sup>Defined as Cumulative Illness Rating Scale >6, creatinine clearance <70 mL/min, or a history of previous severe infection or multiple infections within the last 2 years.

C, cycle; CLL/SLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma; CYP3A, cytochrome P450, family 3, subfamily A; D, day; del(17p), chromosome 17p deletion; FCR, fludarabine, cyclophosphamide, and rituximab; FISH, fluorescence in-situ hybridization; IRC, independent review committee; IGHV, gene encoding the immunoglobulin heavy chain variable region; iwCLL, International Workshop on CLL; ORR, overall response rate; PD, progressive disease; R, randomized.

1. Tedeschi A, et al. ASH 2021. Abstract 67.

# Progression-Free Survival Per IRC Assessment by IGHV Status



No. of patients at risk											
	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Zanubrutinib - Unmutated	125	121	117	114	113	112	109	104	68	44	14
BR - Unmutated	121	110	106	100	90	82	73	65	39	25	6
Zanubrutinib - Mutated	109	109	106	104	103	97	94	88	53	33	15
BR - Mutated	110	101	98	94	91	88	86	80	47	27	14

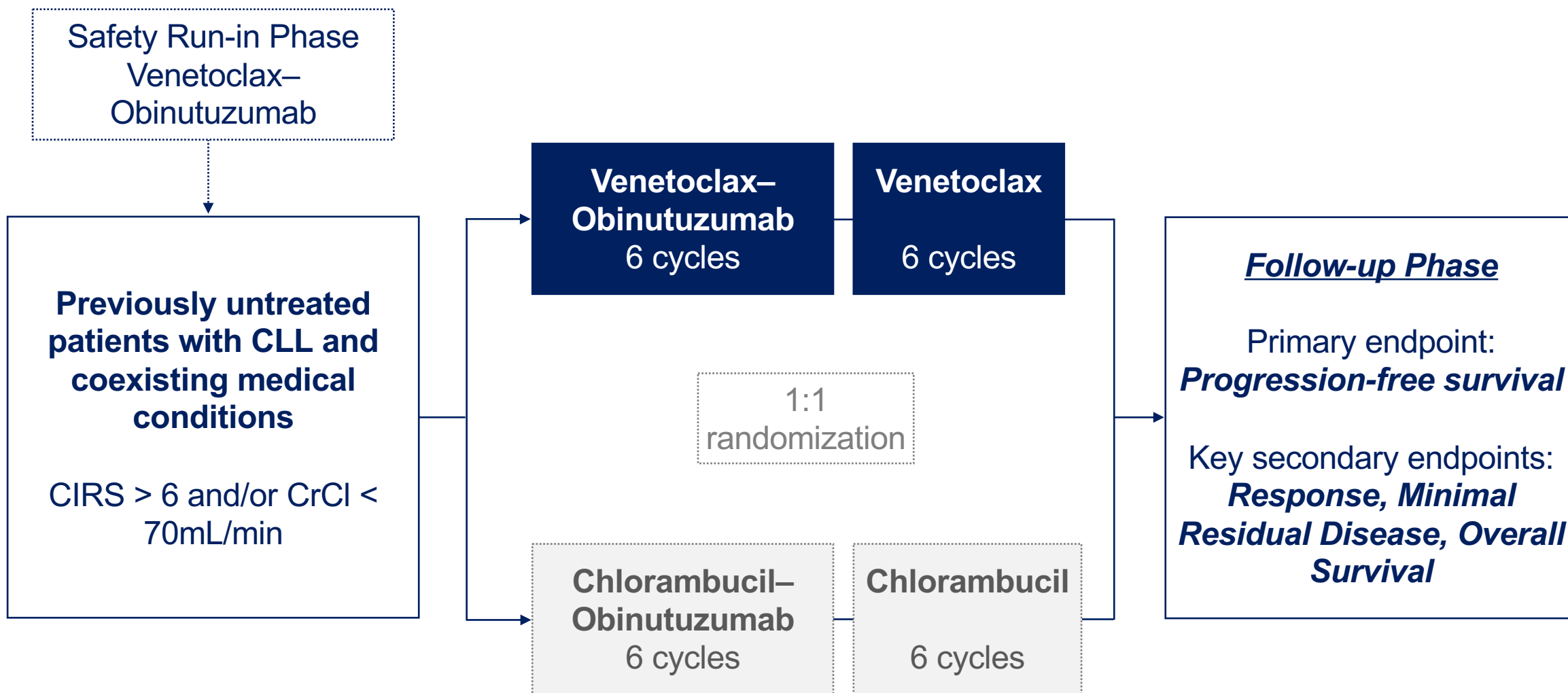
BR, bendamustine + rituximab; IGHV, gene encoding the immunoglobulin heavy chain variable region; IRC, independent review committee.

# Adverse Events of Interest

AE, n (%)	Arm A Zanubrutinib (n=240 <sup>a</sup> )		Arm B Bendamustine + Rituximab (n=227 <sup>a</sup> )	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
<b>Anemia</b>	11 (4.6)	1 (0.4)	44 (19.4)	4 (1.8)
<b>Neutropenia<sup>b</sup></b>	38 (15.8)	28 (11.7)	129 (56.8)	116 (51.1)
<b>Thrombocytopenia<sup>c</sup></b>	11 (4.6)	5 (2.1)	40 (17.6)	18 (7.9)
<b>Arthralgia</b>	32 (13.3)	2 (0.8)	20 (8.8)	1 (0.4)
<b>Atrial fibrillation</b>	8 (3.3)	1 (0.4)	6 (2.6)	3 (1.3)
<b>Bleeding<sup>d</sup></b>	108 (45.0)	9 (3.8)	25 (11.0)	4 (1.8)
Major bleeding <sup>e</sup>	12 (5.0)	9 (3.8)	4 (1.8)	4 (1.8)
<b>Diarrhea</b>	33 (13.8)	2 (0.8)	31 (13.7)	5 (2.2)
<b>Hypertension<sup>f</sup></b>	34 (14.2)	15 (6.3)	24 (10.6)	11 (4.8)
<b>Infections<sup>g</sup></b>	149 (62.1)	39 (16.3)	127 (55.9)	43 (18.9)
<b>Myalgia</b>	9 (3.8)	0 (0.0)	3 (1.3)	0 (0.0)
<b>Other cancers</b>	31 (12.9)	17 (7.1)	20 (8.8)	7 (3.1)
Dermatologic other cancers	16 (6.7)	2 (0.8)	10 (4.4)	2 (0.9)

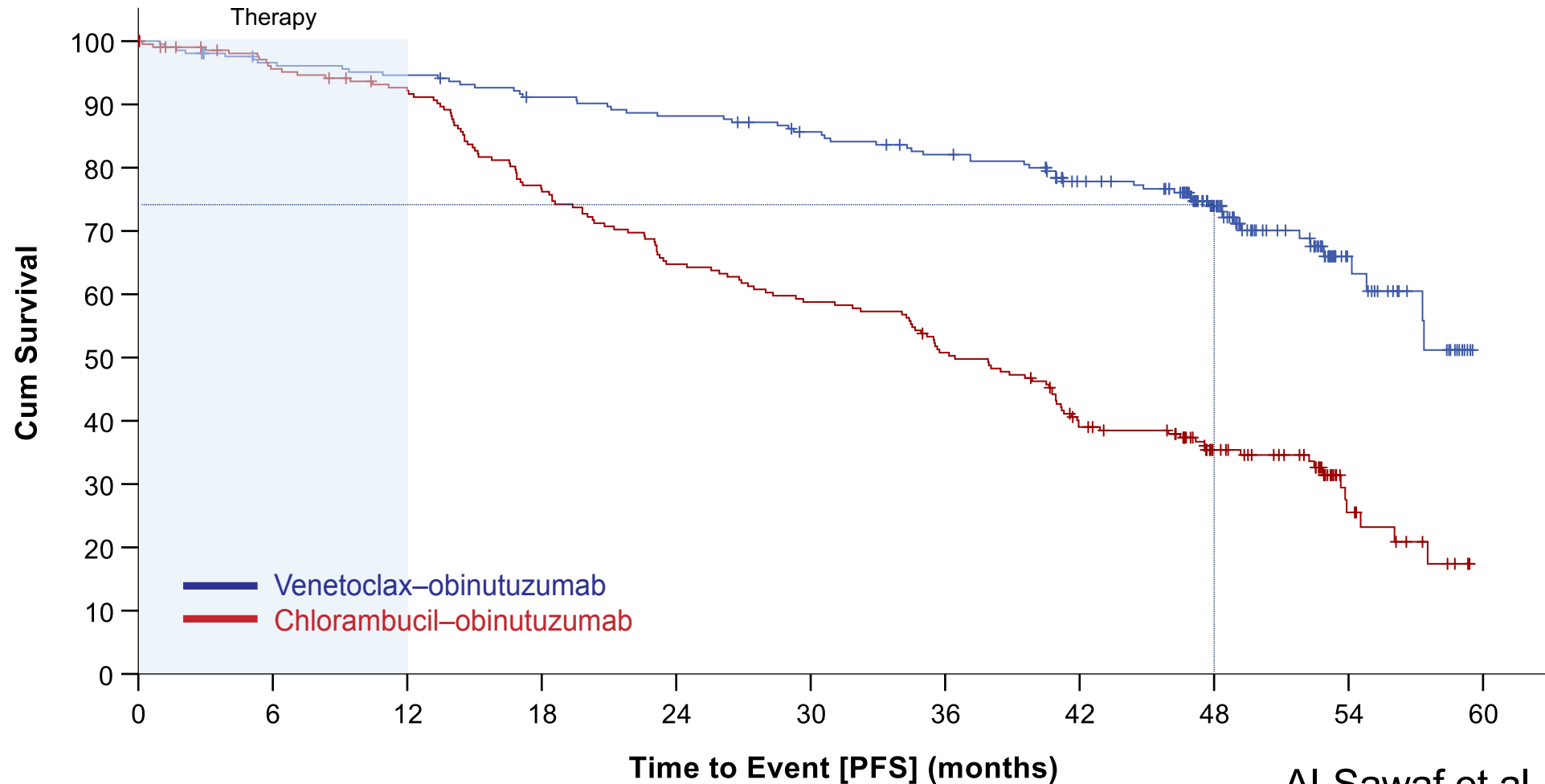
<sup>a</sup>Safety was assessed in patients who received ≥1 dose of treatment; 1 patient in Arm A and 11 patients in Arm B did not receive treatment. <sup>b</sup>Neutropenia, neutrophil count decreased, or febrile neutropenia. <sup>c</sup>Thrombocytopenia or platelet count decreased. <sup>d</sup>Pooled term of all-cause bleeding including bruising, petechiae, purpura, and contusion. <sup>e</sup>Major bleeding included all grade ≥3, serious, and any-grade central nervous system hemorrhage. <sup>f</sup>Hypertension, blood pressure increased, or hypertensive crisis. <sup>g</sup>All infection terms pooled. AE, adverse event.

# CLL14: Trial Design



# Progression-free Survival

Median observation time 52.4 months



## Median PFS

Ven-Obi: not reached

Clb-Obi: 36.4 months

## 4-year PFS rate

Ven-Obi: 74.0%

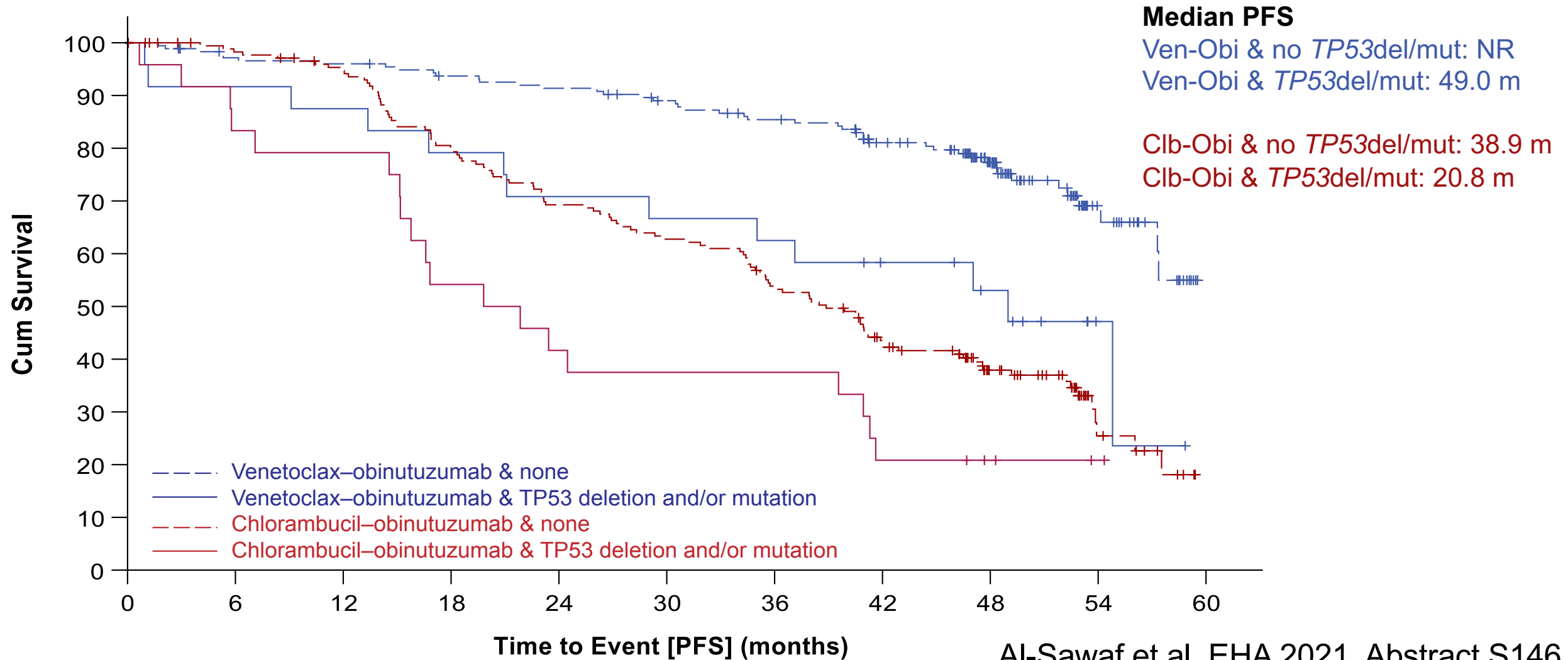
Clb-Obi: 35.4%

HR 0.33, 95% CI [0.25-0.45]

P<0.0001

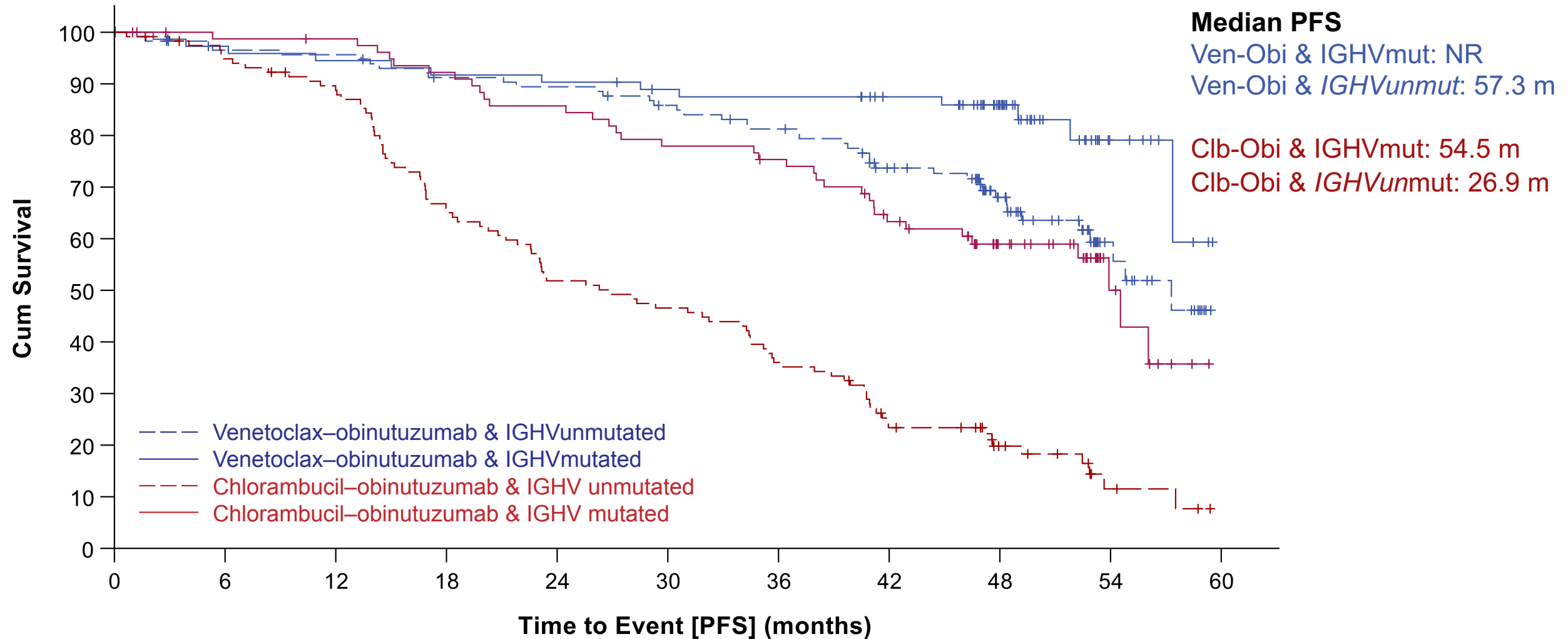
# Progression-free Survival – *TP53* Status

Median observation time 52.4 months



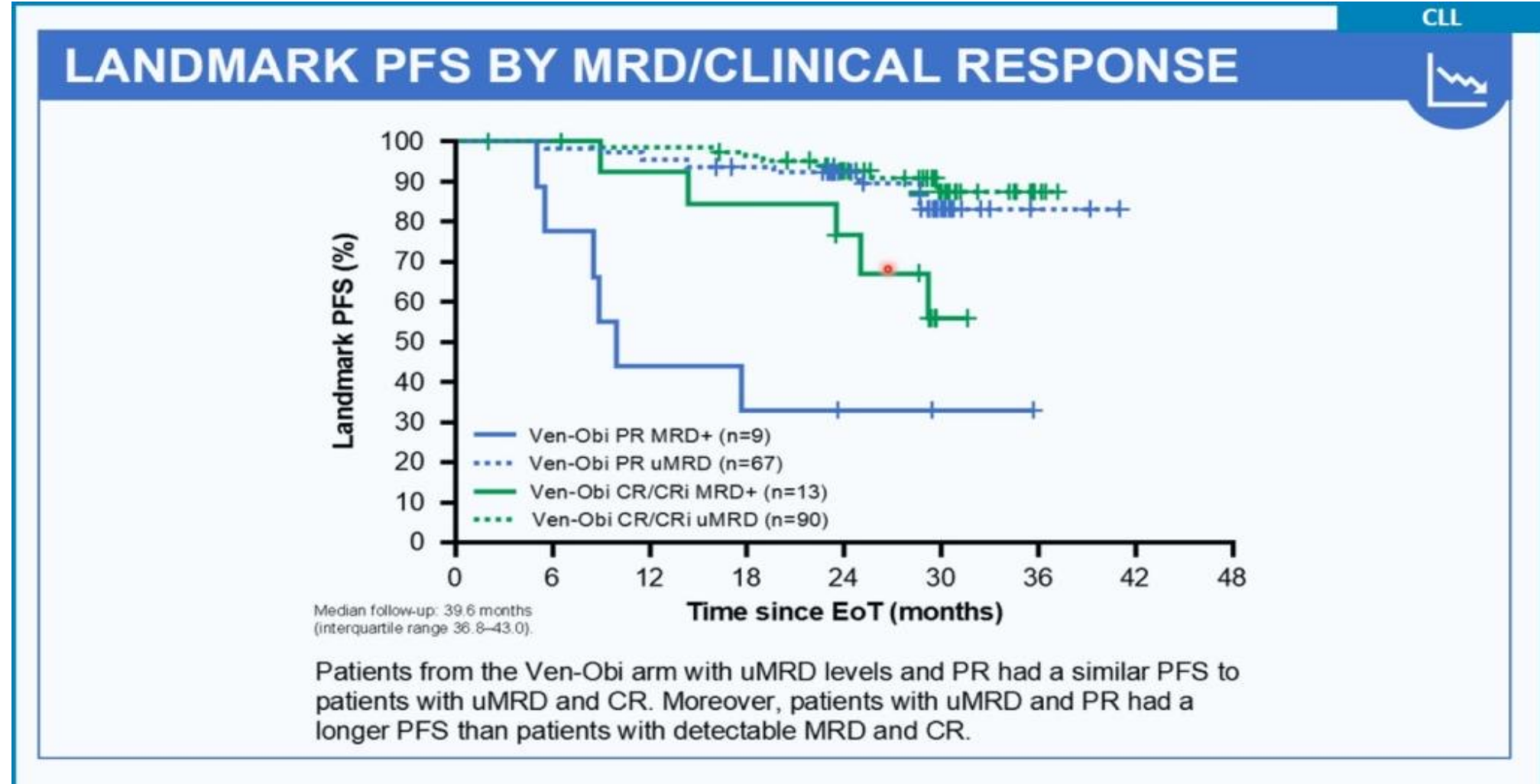
# Progression-free Survival – IGHV Status

Median observation time 52.4 months





# uMRD associated with improved responses



# Venetoclax vs Ibrutinib: Grade 3-4 events

	Venetoclax- Obinutuzumab (CLL14)	Ibrutinib (Alliance)
Number of patients, N	212	180
Follow up	28 months	38 months
Neutropenia	53 %	8 %
Thrombocytopenia	14 %	5 %
Anemia	8 %	7 %
Febrile neutropenia	5 %	2 %
Infections	18 %	16 %
Pneumonia	4 %	6%

# BTKi- vs. BCL-2i-based Treatment

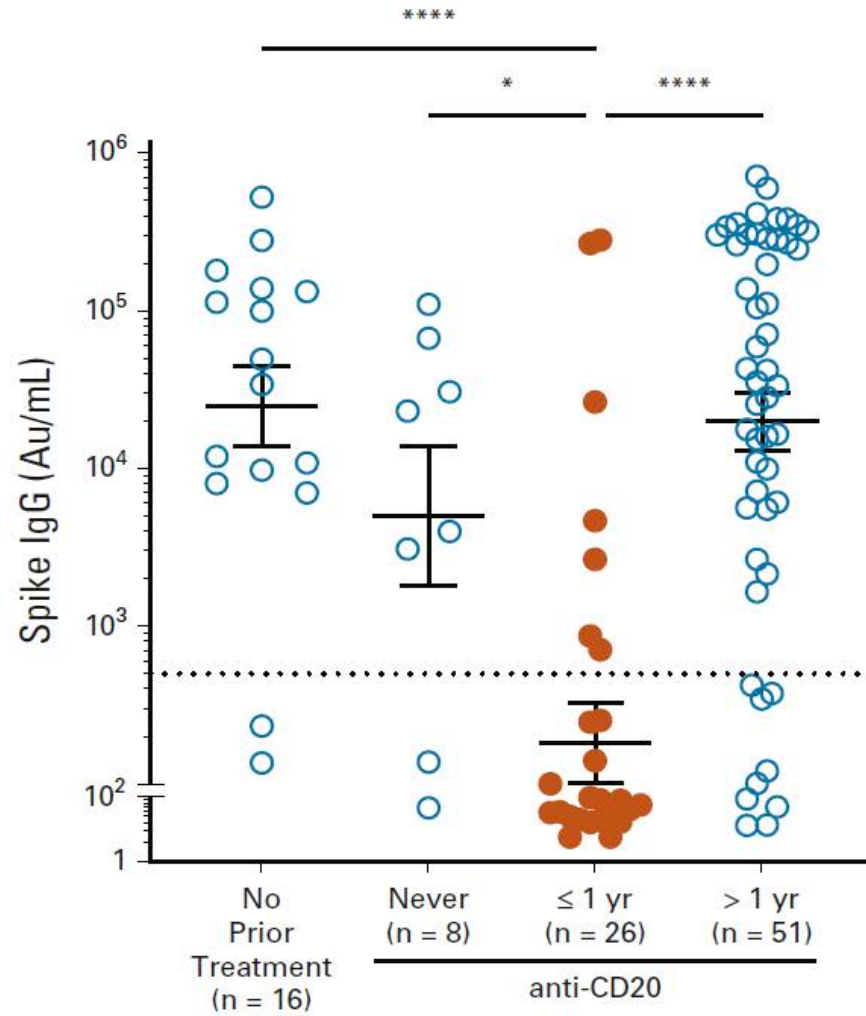
## BTK Inhibitor

- Easy initiation
- Continuous and indefinite therapy
- Very low TLS risk
- More cardiac risk

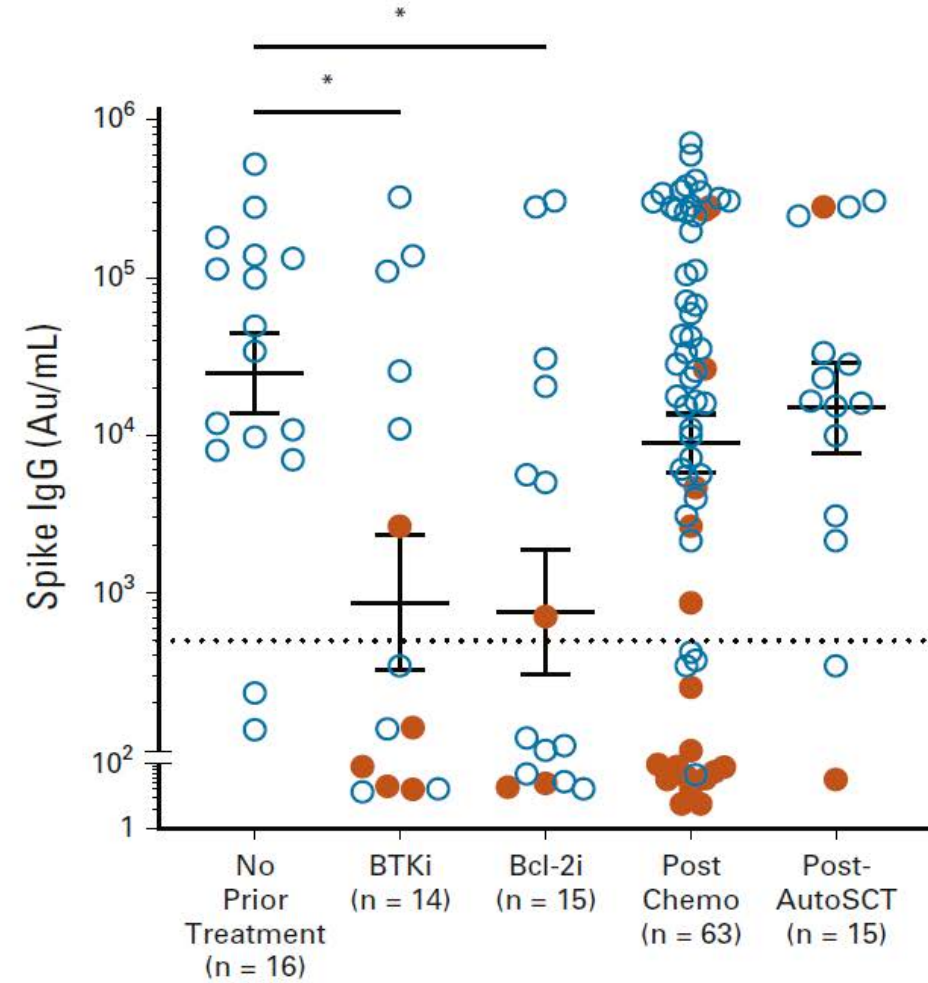
## BCL-2 Inhibitor

- Risk for TLS requires monitoring for initiation
- Includes CD20 mAb – immunosuppression
- Fixed duration
- GFR sensitivity
- Concern for del(17p)/mutated-*TP53*

# COVID Vaccination Efficacy



Lymphoma-Directed Therapy



Lymphoma-Directed Therapy

# **Module 2: Novel Strategies Combining Bruton Tyrosine Kinase (BTK) and Bcl-2 Inhibitors for CLL**

## **— Prof Kater**

# Case Presentation: 79-year-old man with IGHV-unmutated CLL under observation for many years develops B symptoms, cytopenias and lymphadenopathy



**Dr Henna Malik (Houston, Texas)**

# **Novel Strategies Combining Bruton Tyrosine Kinase (BTK) and Bcl-2 Inhibitors for CLL**

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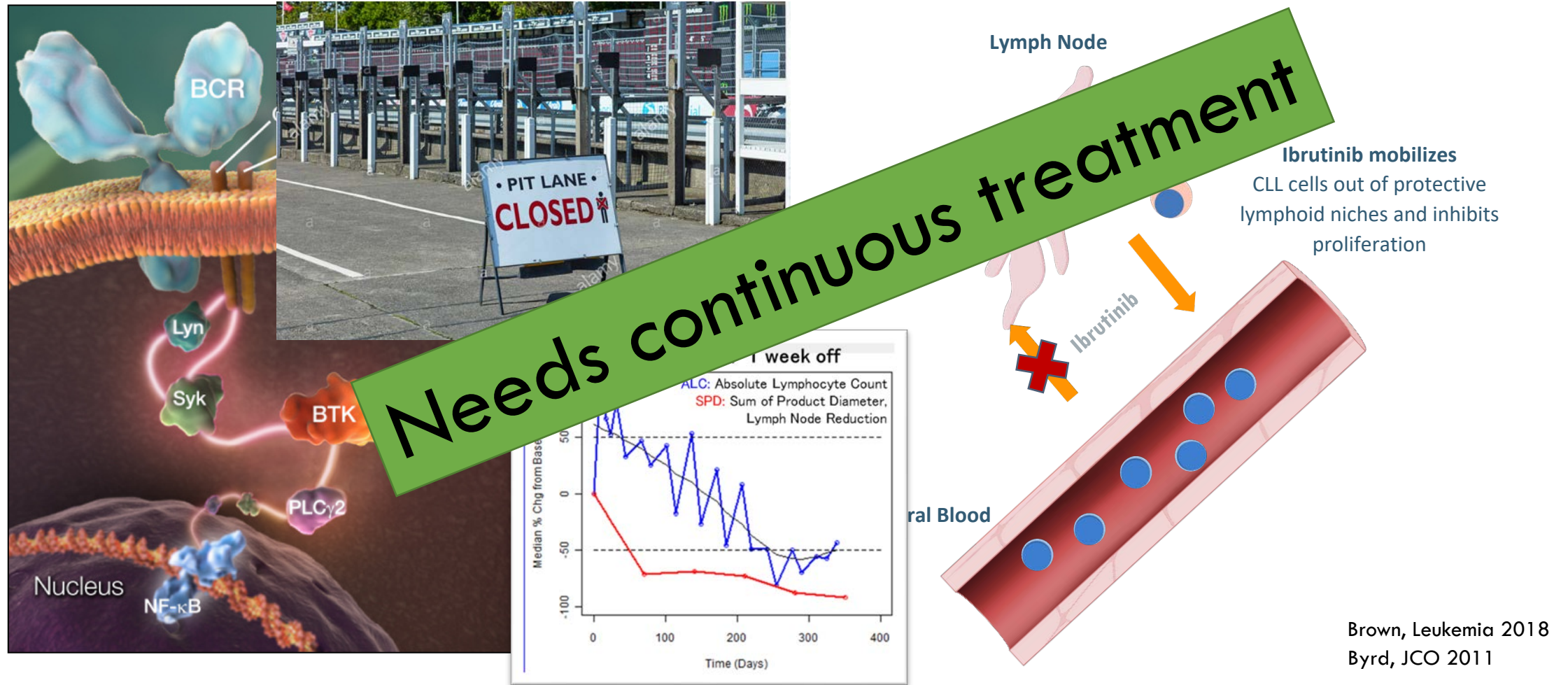




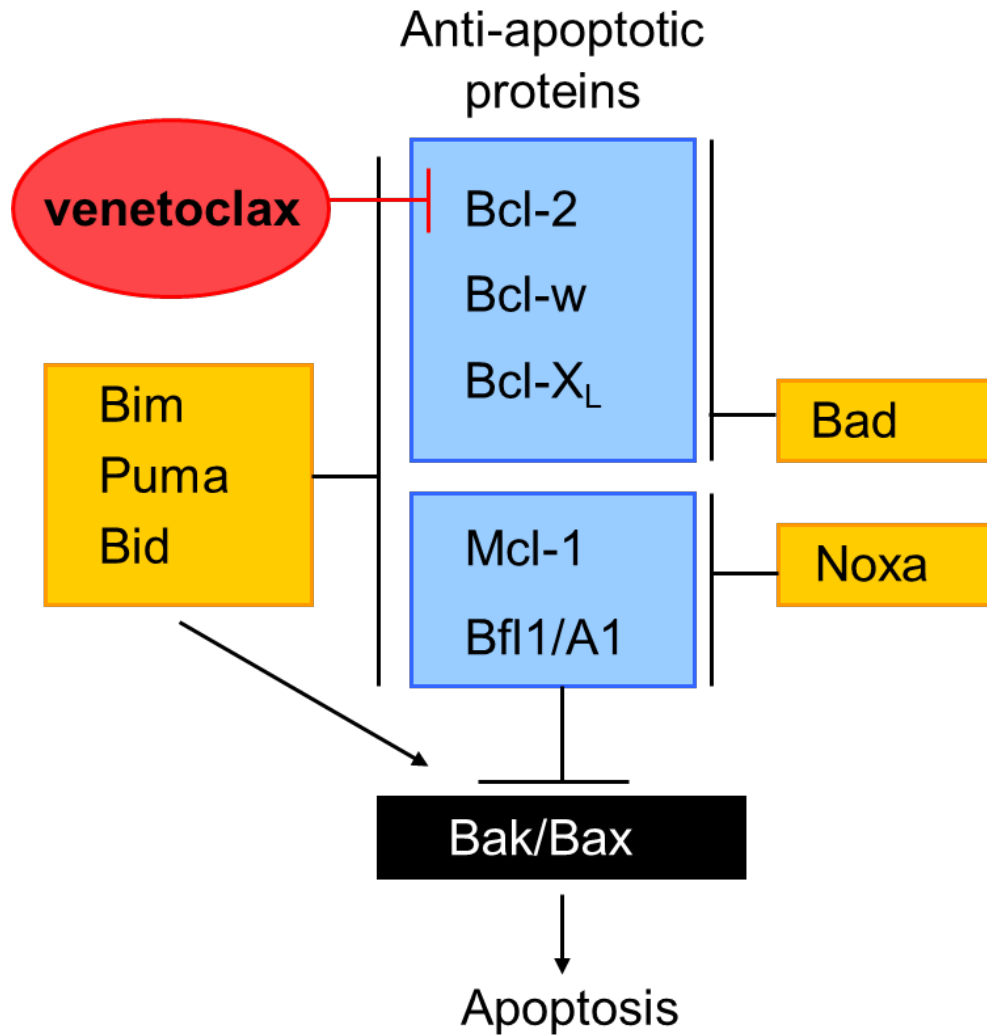
Ibrutinib active in LNN, less in marrow



# BTK-inhibition targets adhesion and homing to lymph node



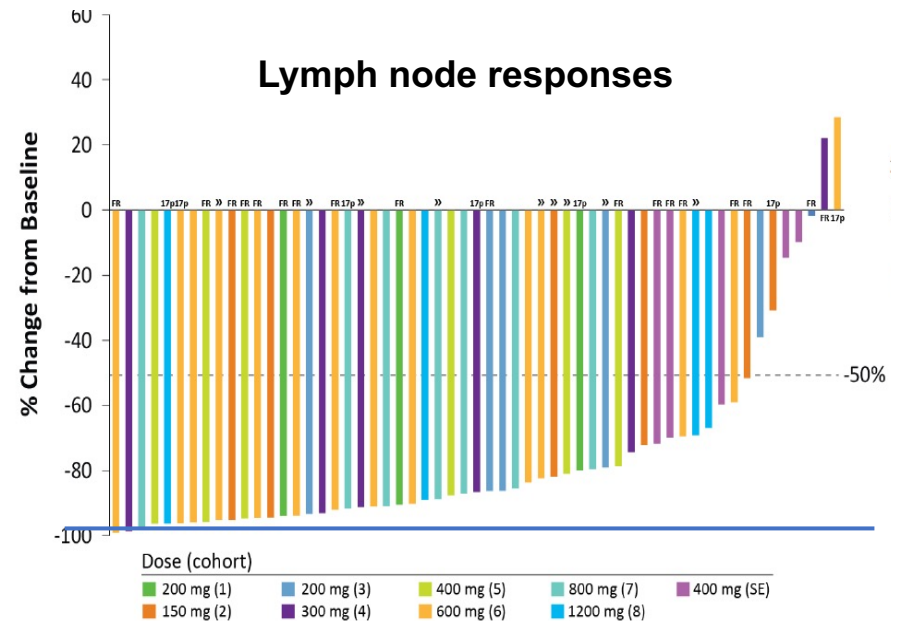
# Venetoclax sensitivity differs between compartments



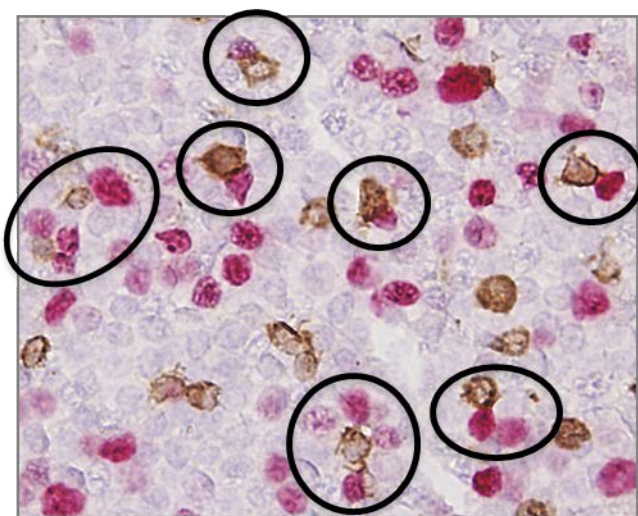
## Blood responses



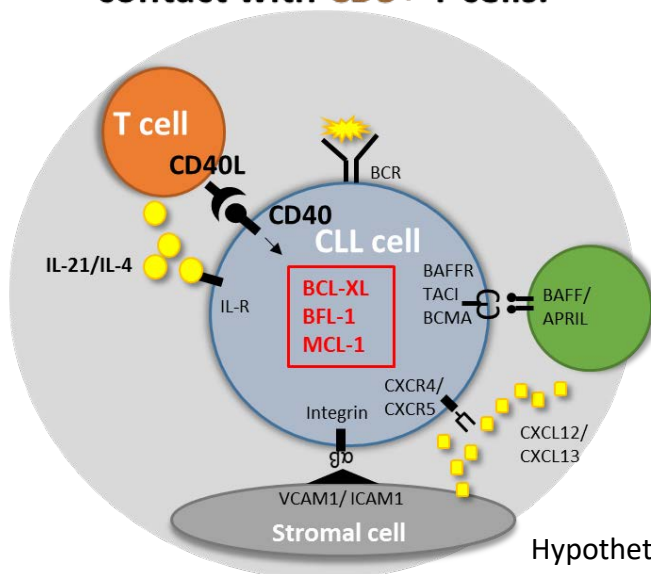
## Lymph node responses



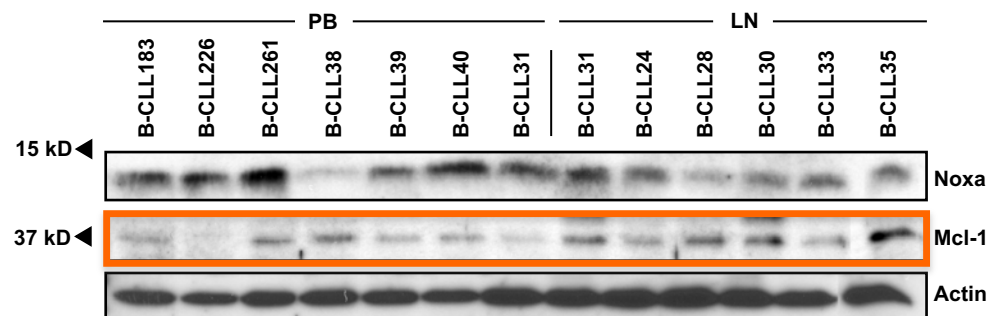
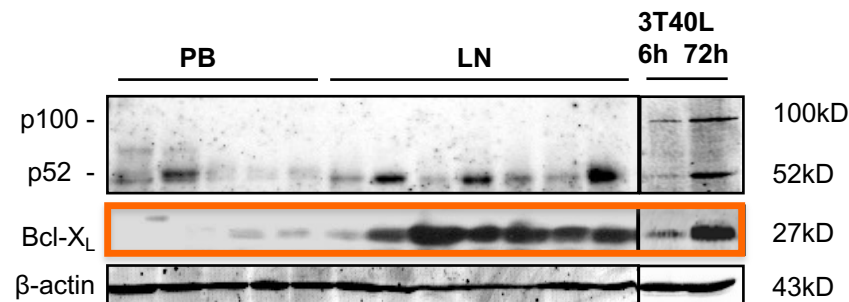
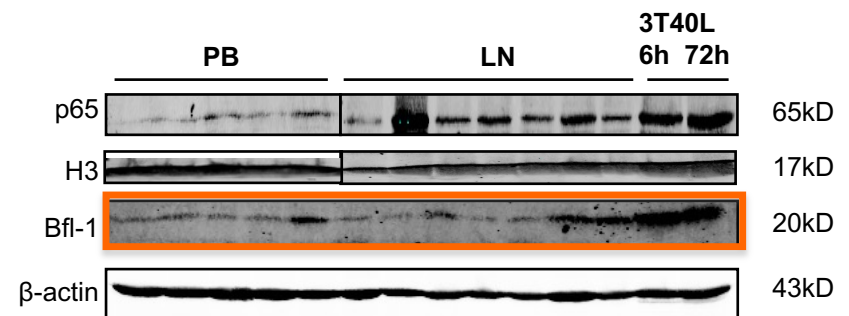
# Bfl-1, Bcl-XL and Mcl-1 expression increased in CLL LN



Many **Ki67+** CLL cells are in close contact with **CD3+** T cells.

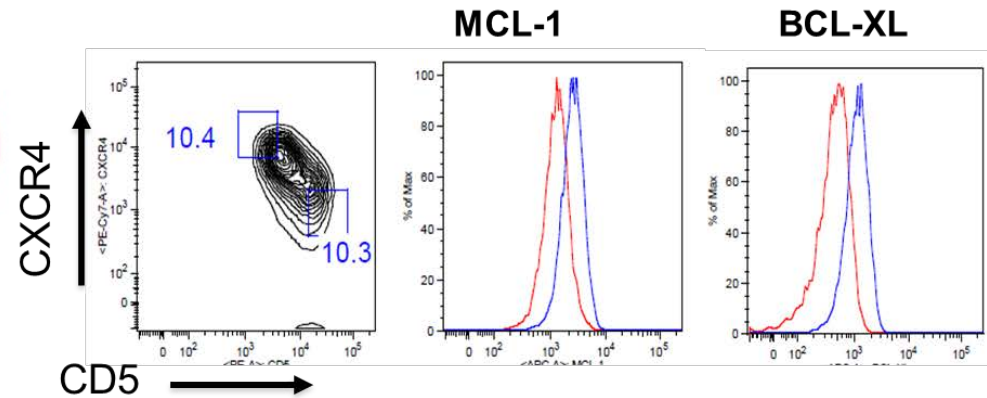
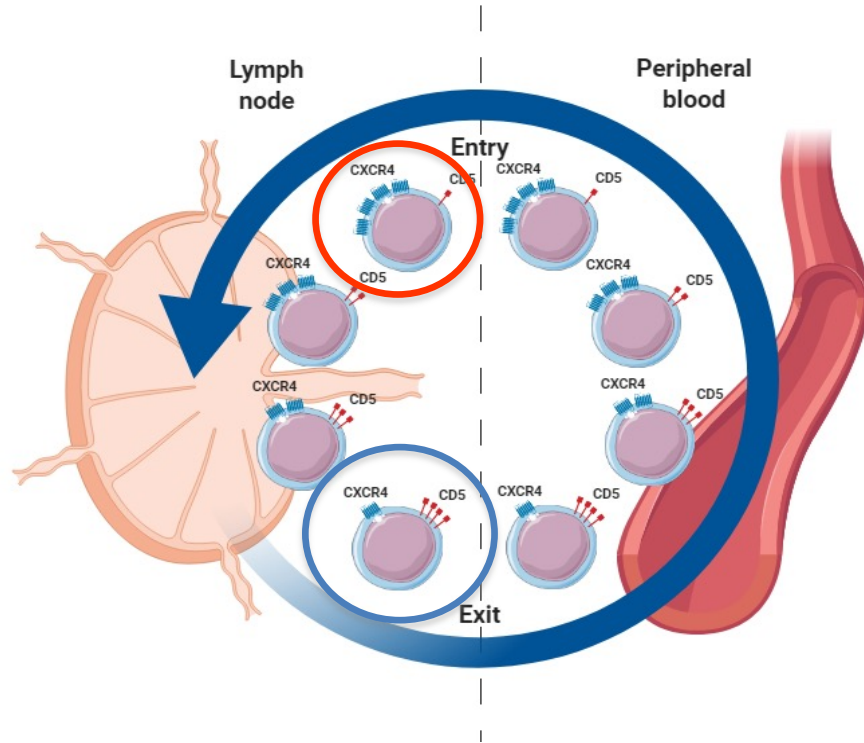


Hypothetical Lymph node environment



Noxa/Mcl1 balance altered in CLL LN  
*Smit LA et al, Blood 109: 1660, 2007.*

# Using a FACS trick to explore expression levels of anti-apoptotic proteins in the lymph node



— CXCR4<sup>high</sup>CD5<sup>dim</sup> 'old' CLL cells  
— CXCR4<sup>dim</sup>CD5<sup>high</sup> LN emigrant CLL cells

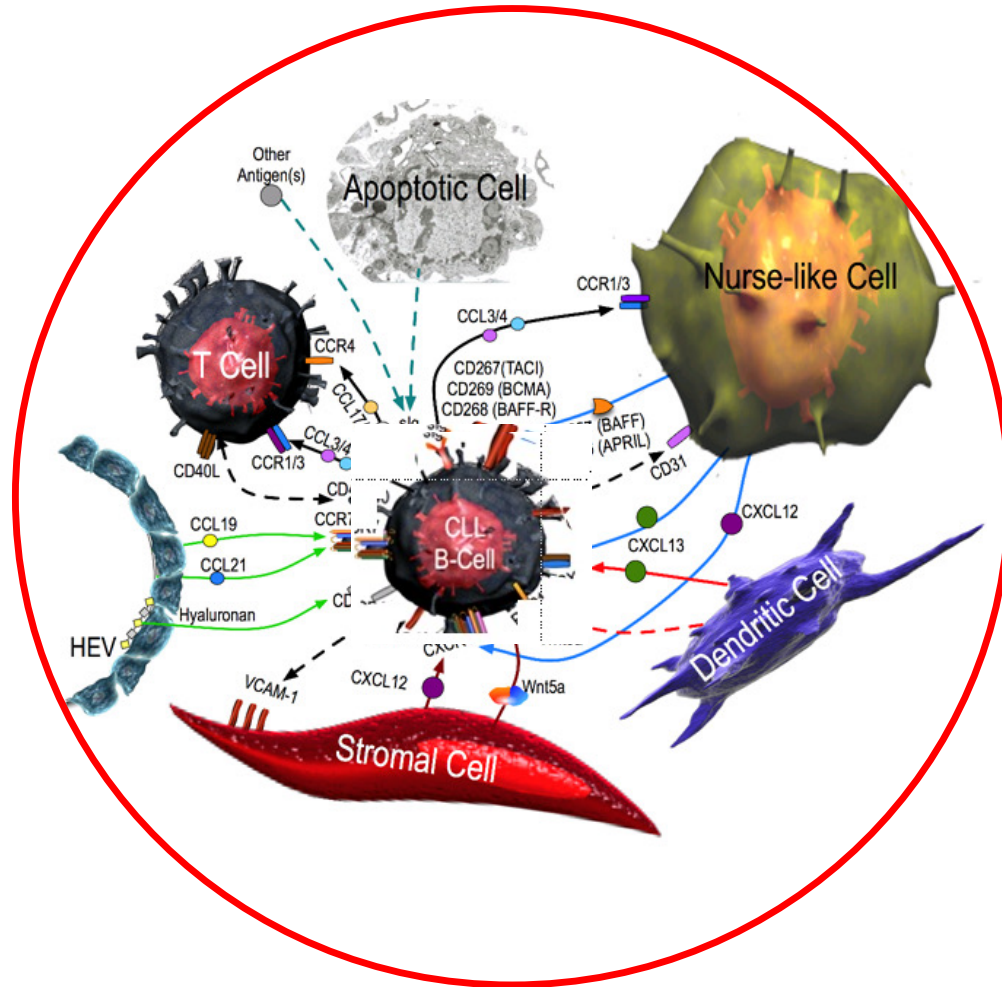
Differences in Mcl-1 & Bcl-XL in recent LN emigrants and 'old' returning cells

(Calissano et al. Mol Med. 2011)

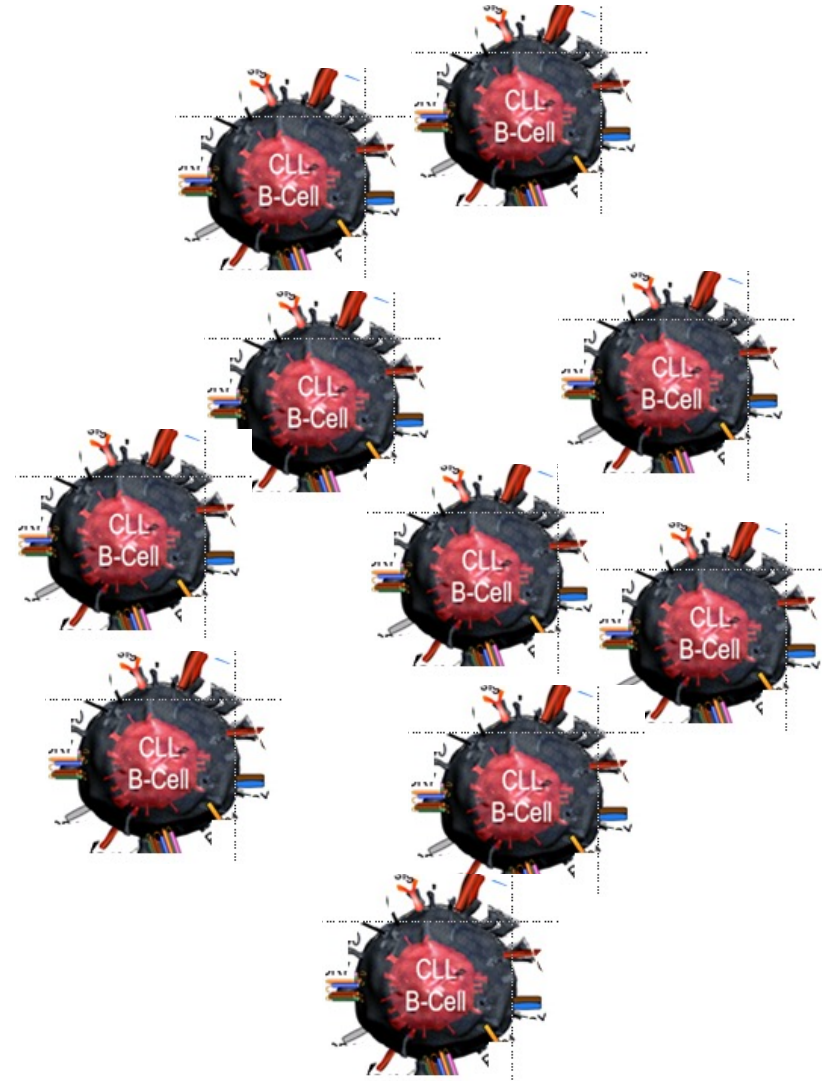
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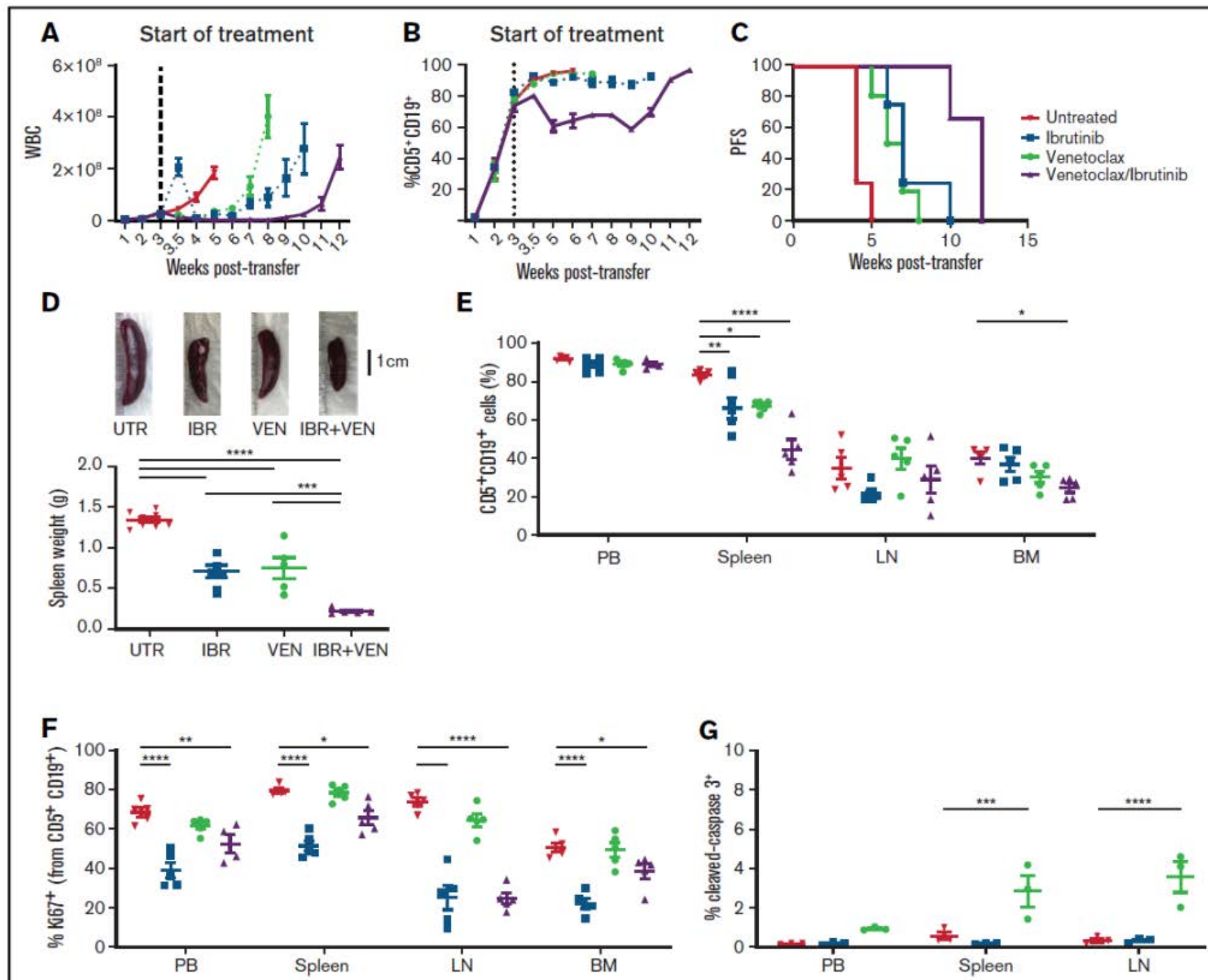
# Combining Venetoclax with.....



BTK-i



Venetoclax

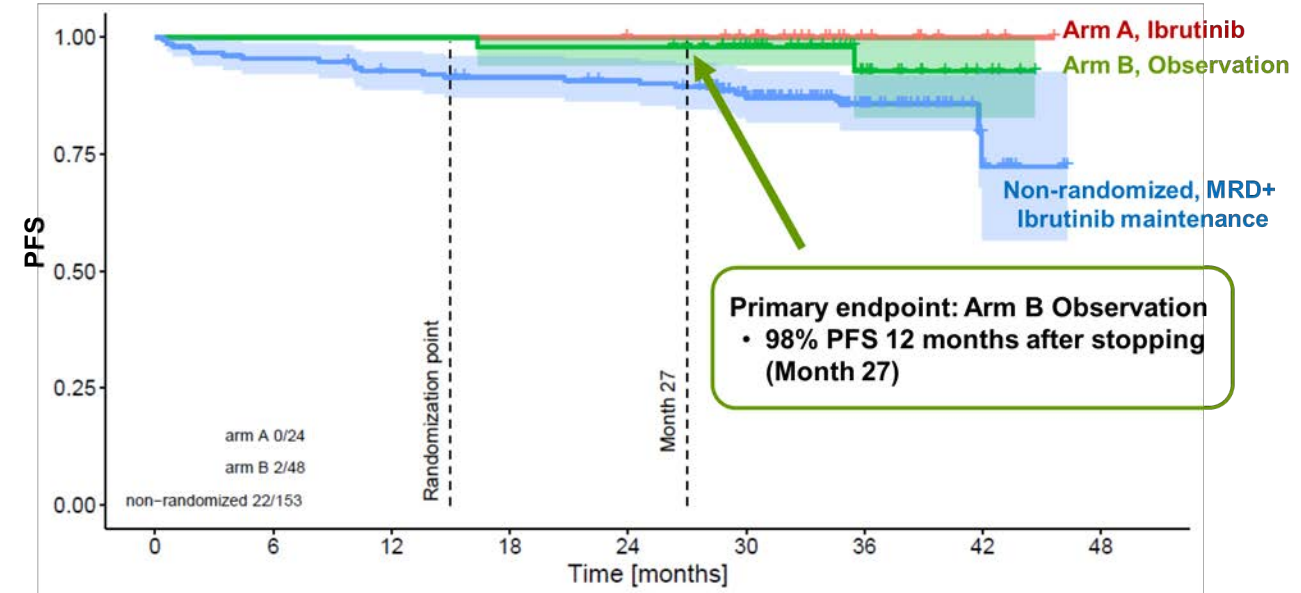
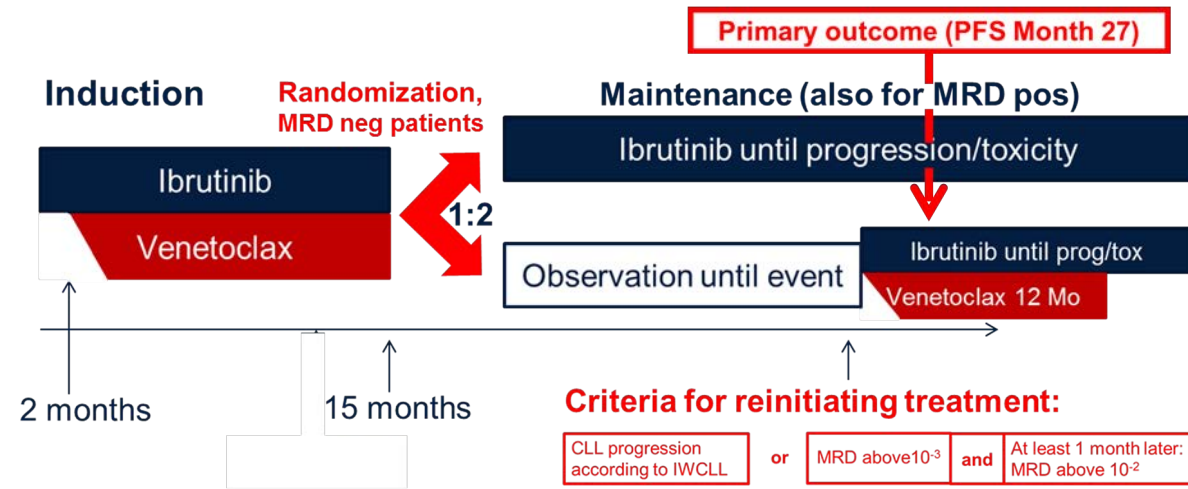


— Untreated  
— Ibrutinib  
— Venetoclax  
— Venetoclax/Ibrutinib



Efficacy data

# Minimal residual disease-guided stop and start of venetoclax plus ibrutinib for patients with relapsed or refractory chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (HOVON141/VISION): primary analysis of an open-label, randomised, phase 2 trial



	N
Non-randomized Ibrutinib	153
Arm A Ibrutinib	24
Arm B Observation	48

- 7 patients reinitiated ibrutinib-venetoclax during observation due to MRD+
- 6 of 7 achieved de novo CR within 3 cycles
- 7<sup>th</sup> patient awaits evaluation



# Clinical evidence of Ven+Ibr fixed duration 1st-line

## Phase 2 CAPTIVATE

### Patients (N=159)

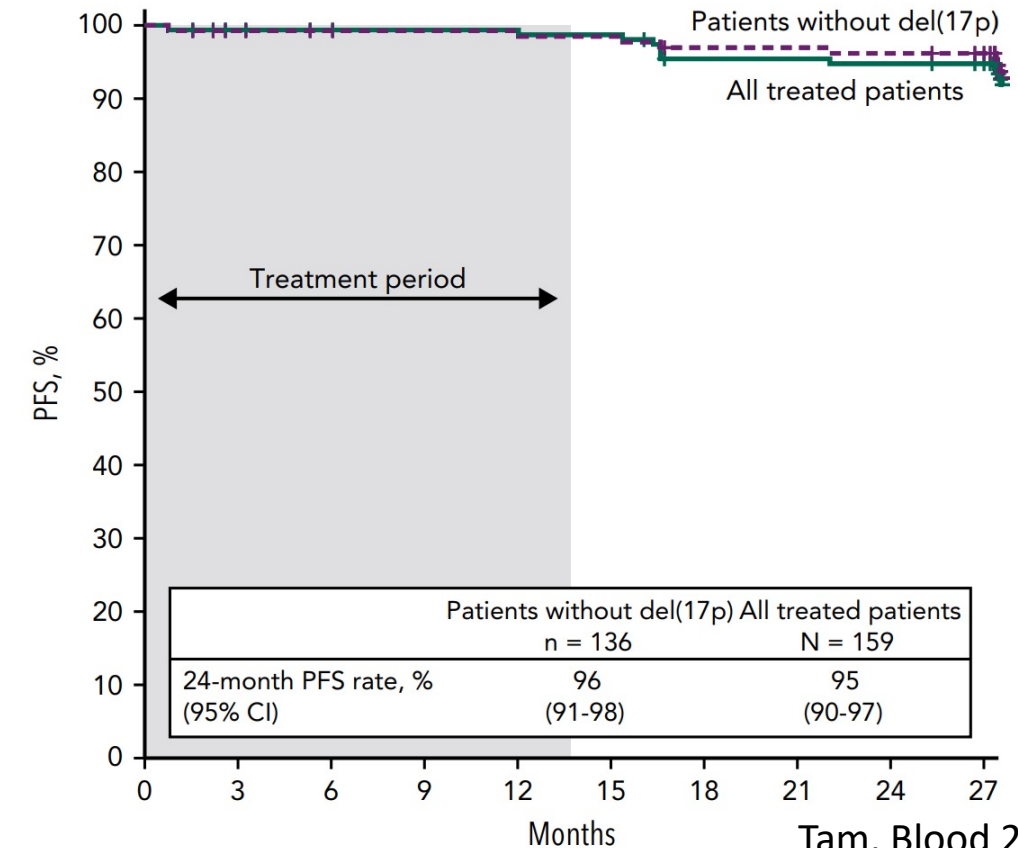
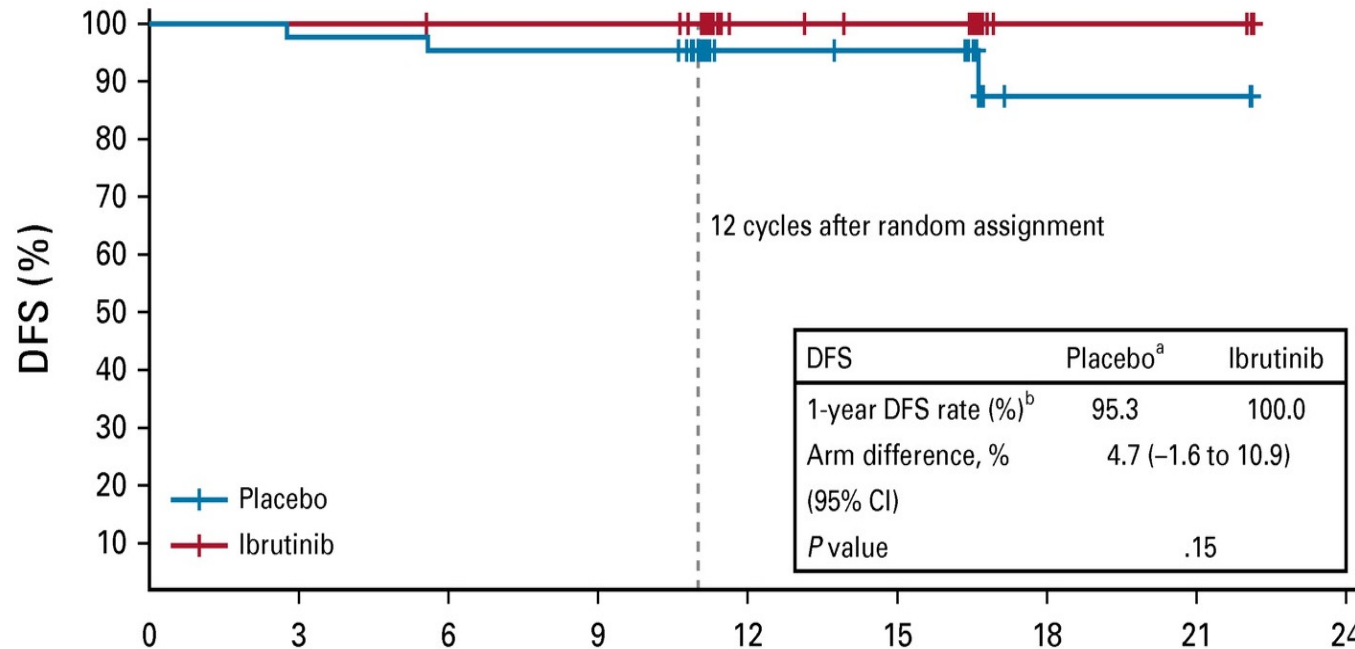
- Previously untreated CLL/SLL
- Active disease requiring treatment per iwCLL criteria<sup>1</sup>
- Aged ≤70 years
- ECOG PS 0–2

**Ibrutinib lead-in**  
Ibrutinib 420 mg  
once daily  
(3 cycles<sup>a</sup>)

**Ibrutinib + Venetoclax**  
Ibrutinib 420 mg once daily +  
venetoclax 400 mg once daily  
(12 cycles<sup>a</sup>)

**MRD-guided discontinuation**

**Follow-up**



# Clinical evidence of Ven+Ibr fixed duration 1st-line

## Phase 3 GLOW

### Patients (N=106)

- Previously untreated CLL/SLL
- $\geq 65$  years of age or  $< 65$  years with CIRS  $> 6$  or CrCL  $< 70$  mL/min

**Ibrutinib lead-in**  
Ibrutinib 420 mg  
once daily  
(3 cycles<sup>a</sup>)

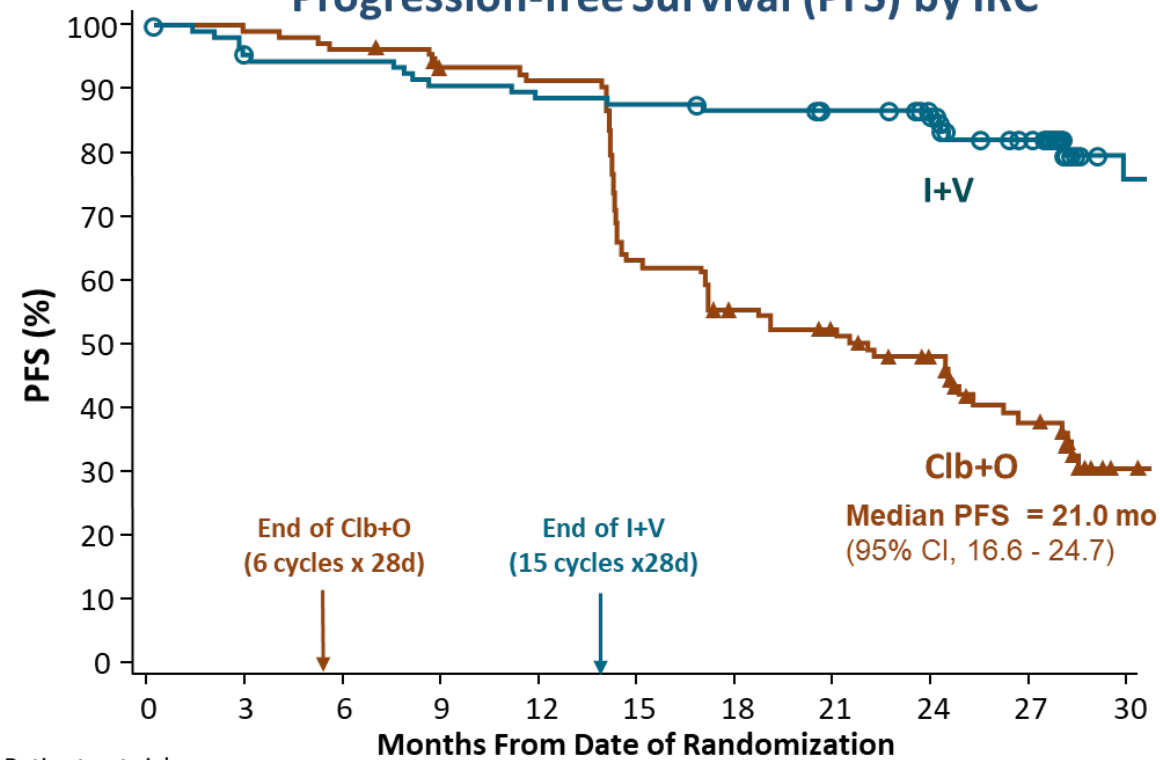
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**Follow-up**

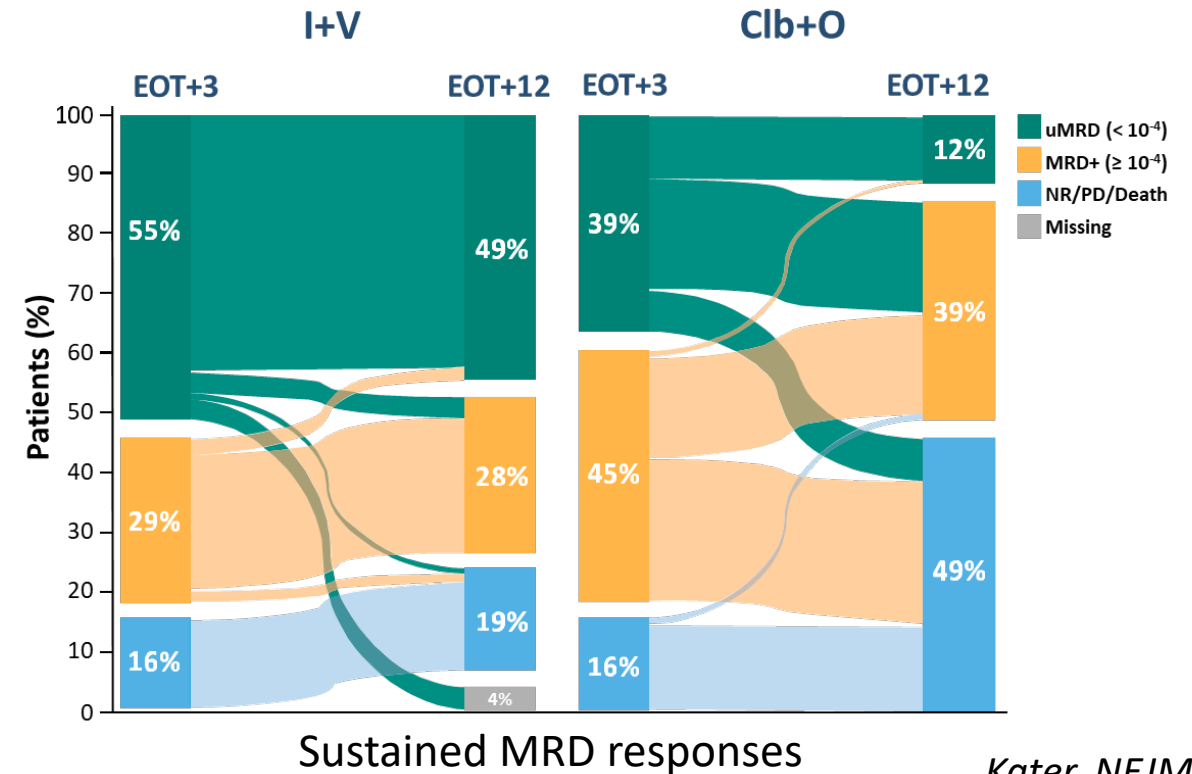
Responses (ITT):

- CR: 39%
- uMRD: PB 55% / BM 52%

### Progression-free Survival (PFS) by IRC

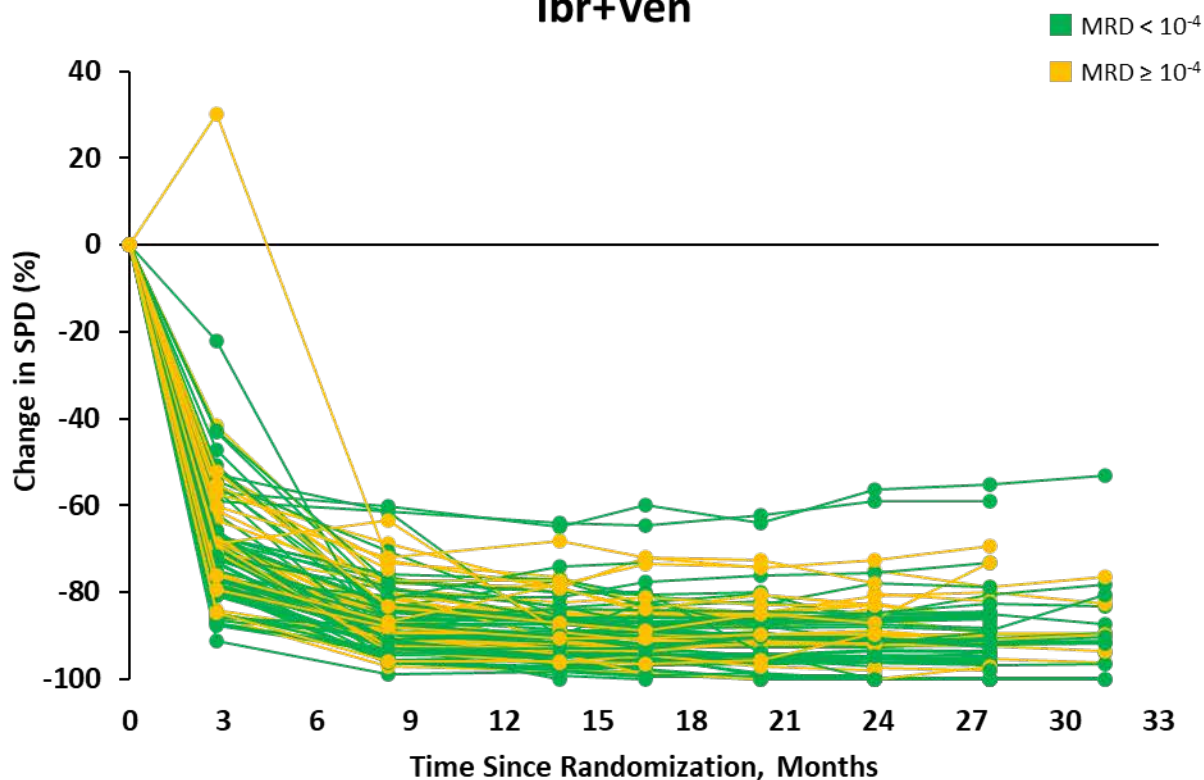


### Peripheral Blood MRD (NGS)

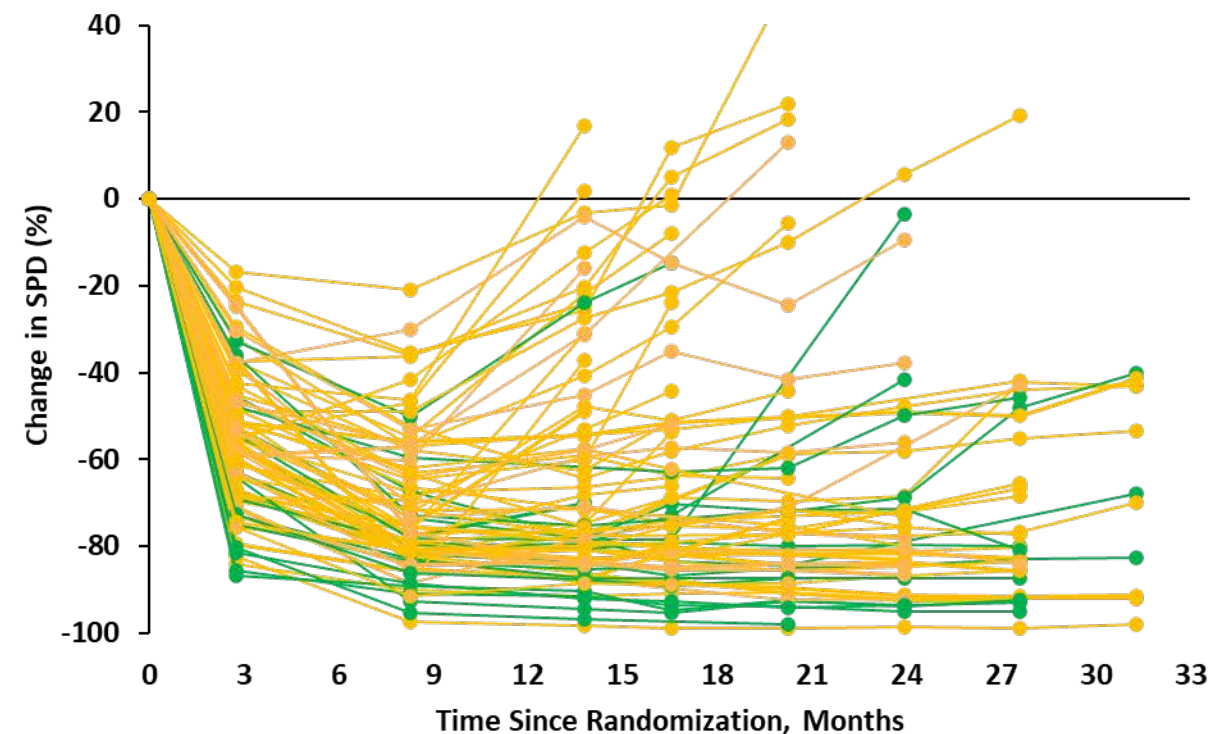


# Lymph Node Responses Were Better Maintained Over Time With Ibr+Ven vs Clb+O in Patients With Detectable BM MRD

Ibr+Ven



Clb+O



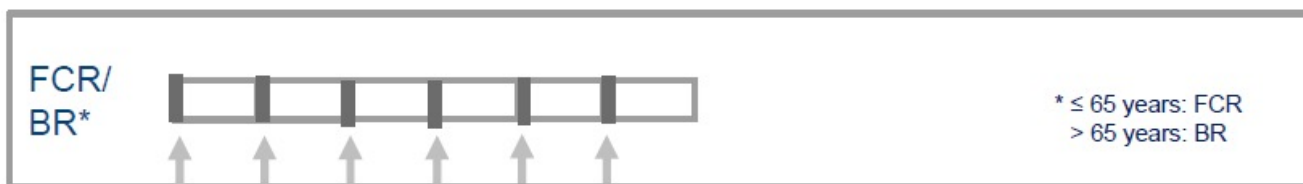
<sup>a</sup> <  $10^{-4}$  at EOT+3.

BM, bone marrow; EOT, end of treatment; SPD, sum of the product of perpendicular dimensions.

# GAIA/CLL13 Study : Treatment regimen

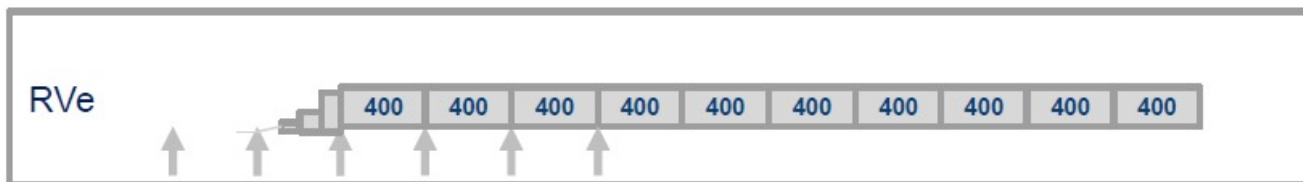
Treatment regimen in 28  
days (D) interval cycles (C)

FCR/BR\*



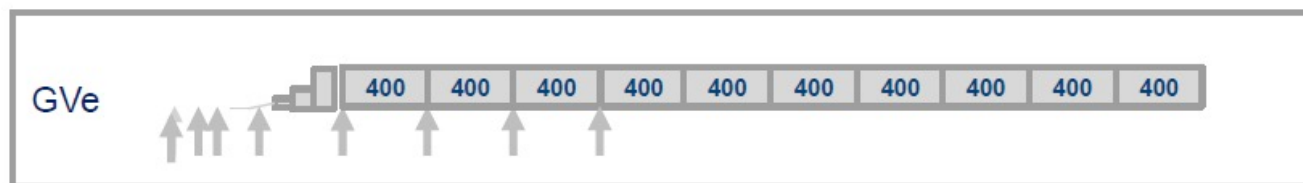
Fludarabine 25mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1-3 iv  
Cyclophosphamide 250mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1-3 iv  
Rituximab 375/500mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1 iv  
Bendamustine 90mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1+2 iv  
Rituximab 375/500mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1iv

RVe



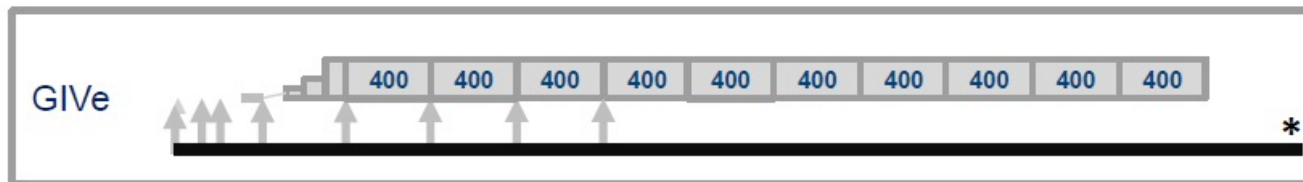
Venetoclax ramp up 20 – 400mg po  
Venetoclax 400mg po C3-C12  
Rituximab 375/500mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1 iv

GVe



Venetoclax ramp up 20 – 400mg po  
Venetoclax 400mg po C3-C12  
Obinutuzumab 1000mg/m<sup>2</sup> iv  
d1+8+15 during C1, d1 C2-C6

GIVe



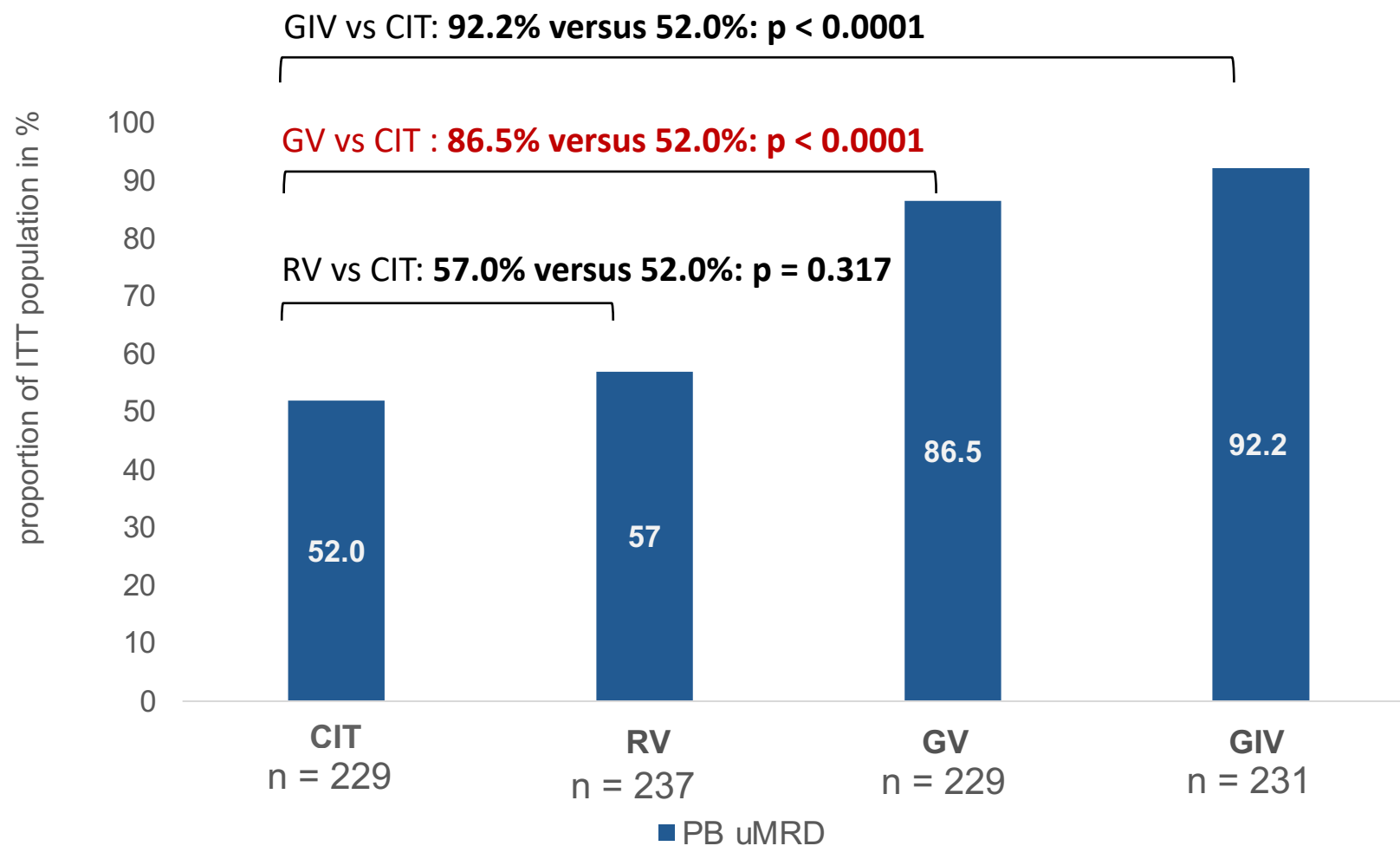
Ibrutinib 420mg po from d1 C1  
Venetoclax ramp up 20 – 400mg po  
Venetoclax 400mg po C3-C12  
Obinutuzumab 1000mg/m<sup>2</sup> iv  
d1+8+15 during C1, d1 C2-C6

\* Continuation of ibrutinib up to cycle 36 allowed, if MRD still detectable

 Chemotherapy  CD20-antibody  Venetoclax (V)  Ramp-Up  Ibrutinib (I)

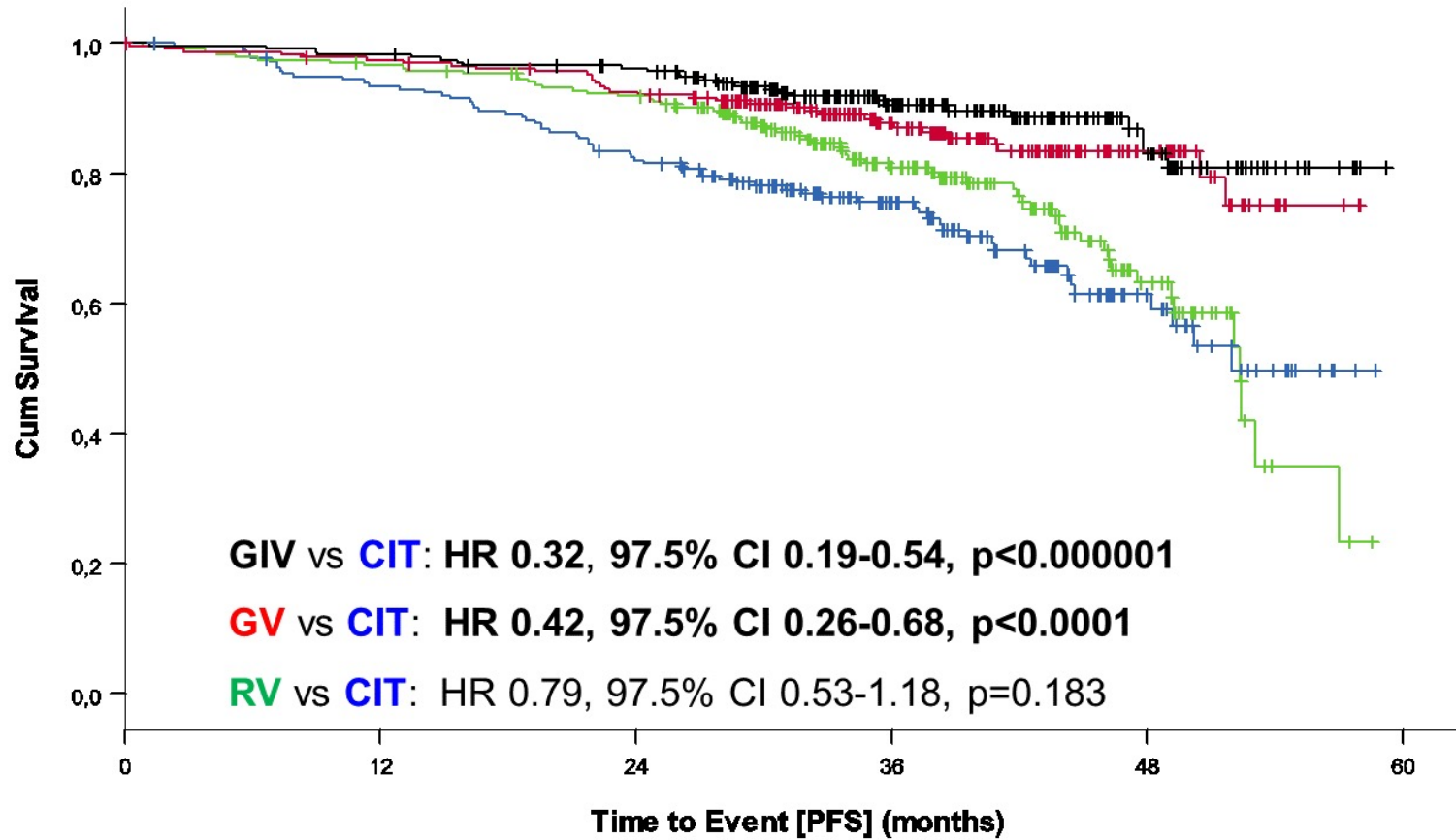
# Results of coprimary endpoint rate of undetectable minimal residual disease

Coprimary endpoint: uMRD ( $< 10^{-4}$ ) at Mo15 in PB by 4-colour-flow

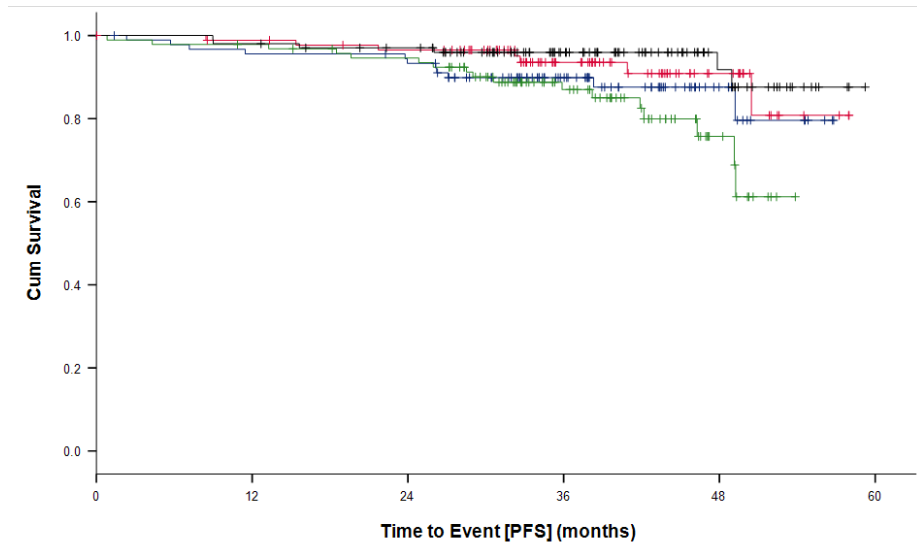
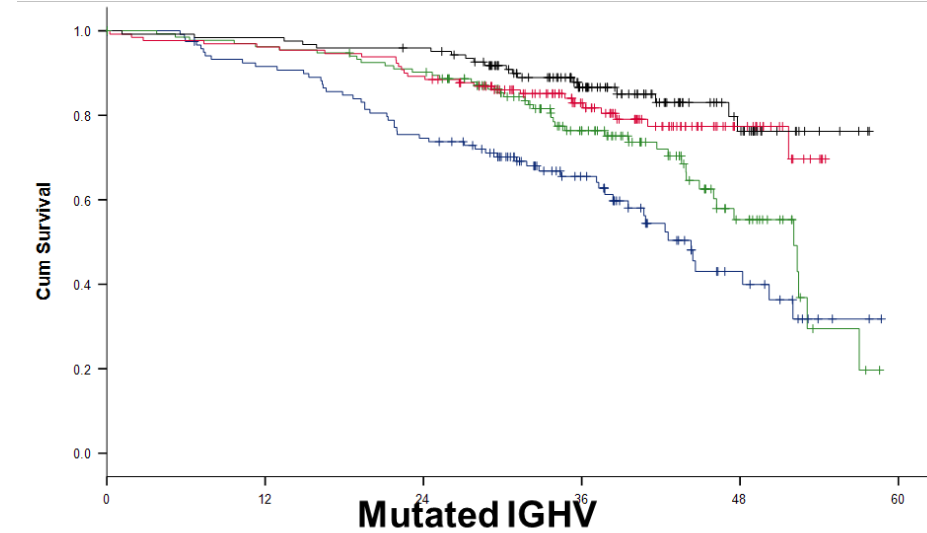


	uMRD%	97.5% CI
GIV	92.2	87.3 – 95.7
GV	86.5	80.6 – 91.1
RV	57.0	49.5 – 64.2
CIT	52.0	44.4 – 59.5

# Results of the coprimary endpoint progression-free survival (PFS)



## Unmutated IGHV



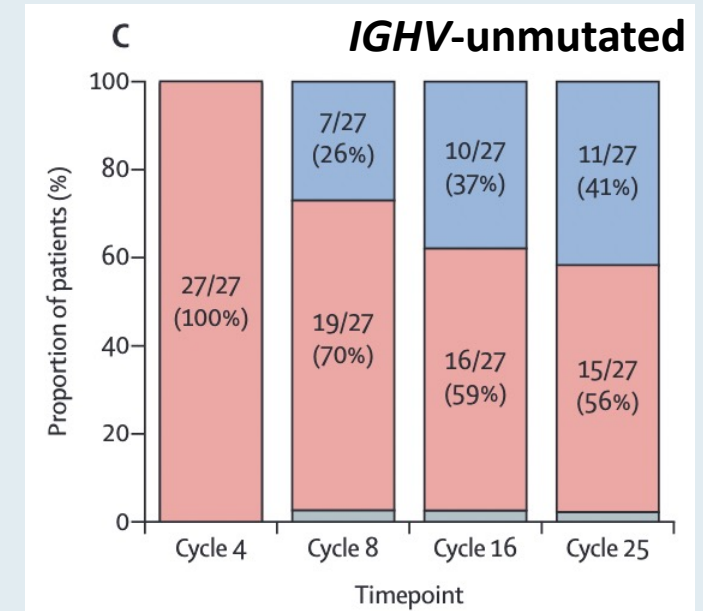
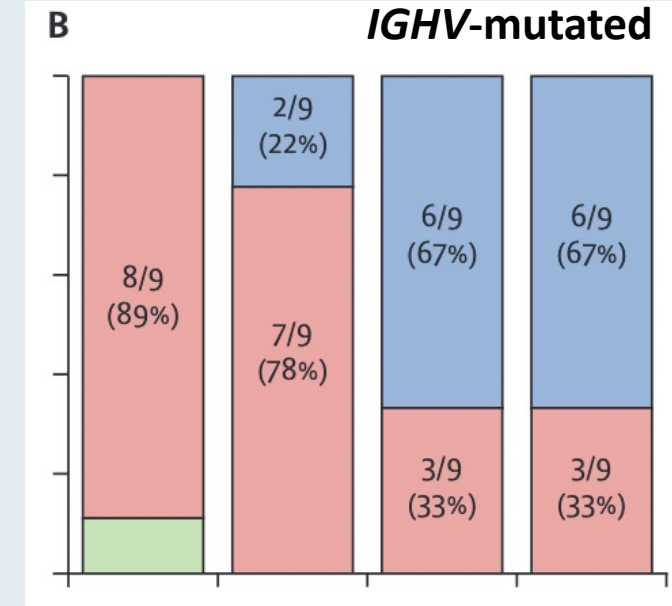
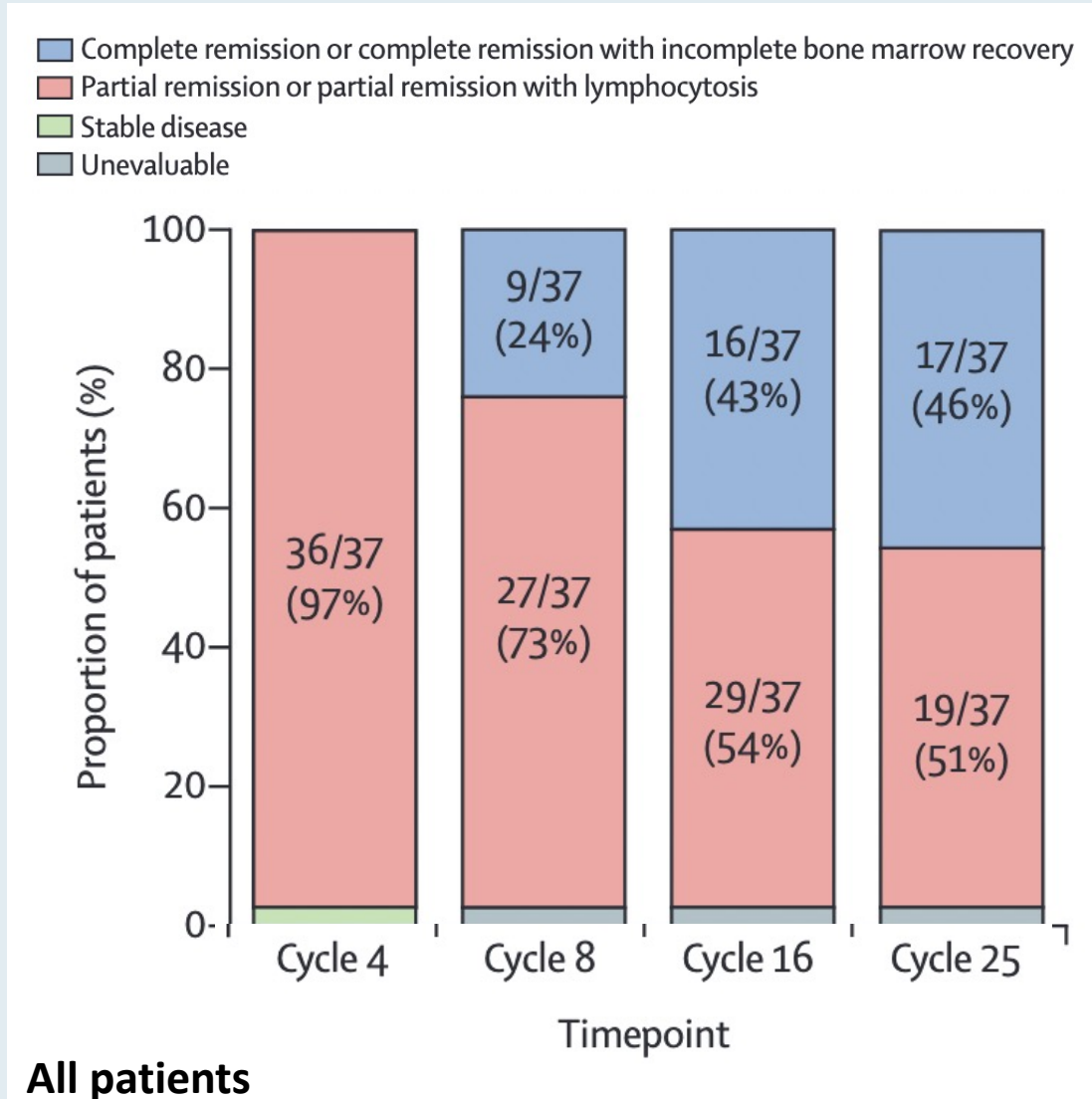


# Acalabrutinib, venetoclax, and obinutuzumab as frontline treatment for chronic lymphocytic leukaemia: a single-arm, open-label, phase 2 study



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# Acalabrutinib, venetoclax and obinutuzumab: Response rates at the start of indicated cycles





# Updated Results from a Multicenter, Phase 2 Study of Acalabrutinib, Venetoclax, Obinutuzumab (AVO) in a Population of Previously Untreated Patients with CLL Enriched for High-Risk Disease

Ryan C et. al.

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Toxicity data

## Serious toxicity GLOW >> CAPTIVATE

- HR (95% CI) for overall survival: 1.048 (0.454, 2.419), with 11 deaths in I+V arm and 12 in Clb+O arm (Table)
- Causes of death were generally similar in nature for both study arms, with infections (including COVID-19-related pneumonia) and cardiac events most common

Death from Any Cause	During Treatment			During Follow-up	
	I+V (N=106)		Clb+O (N=105)	I+V (N=106)	Clb+O (N=105)
	Ibr lead-in	I+V			
<b>Total, n</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>
Infections and Infestations	1	-	1	2	6
Cardiac Disorders	2 <sup>a</sup>	-	-	-	2
General Disorders (Sudden Death)	-	2	-	1	-
Neoplasm	1	-	-	-	-
Nervous System Disorders	-	1	-	-	1
Hepatobiliary Disorders	-	-	1	-	-
Respiratory, Thoracic, Mediastinal Dis.	-	-	-	-	1
Progressive Disease/Richter Transform.	-	-	-	1	-

**(sudden) cardiac deaths:**

- CIRS score  $\geq 10$
- History of hypertension, cardiovascular disease, and/or diabetes

# Treatment cessation mitigates treatment-related toxicities

## Ho141/VISION trial in R/R CLL

	Ibrutinib continuation group (n=24)			Treatment cessation group (n=48)			Patients not randomly assigned (n=116)			
	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Patients with any adverse event, highest grade only	9 (38%)	7 (29%)	2 (8%)	7 (15%)	7 (15%)	0	37 (32%)	40 (34%)	7 (6%)	1 (1%)
Infections	9 (38%)	5 (21%)	0	5 (10%)	2 (4%)	0	31 (27%)	14 (12%)	2 (2%)	1 (1%)
Neutropenia	0	0	0	0	2 (4%)	0	2 (2%)	2 (2%)	2 (2%)	0
Diarrhoea, abdominal discomfort	2 (8%)	0	0	1 (2%)	0	0	7 (6%)	0	0	0
Bleeding	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	0	0	0	0	10 (9%)	0	0	0
Arthralgia, muscle pain	1 (4%)	0	0	1 (2%)	0	0	3 (3%)	0	0	0
Atrial fibrillation	1 (4%)	0	0	0	0	0	3 (3%)	0	0	0
Malignancies, neoplasm	0	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	3 (6%)	1 (2%)	0	4 (3%)	7 (6%)	0	0
Hypertension	2 (8%)	1 (4%)	0	0	0	0	5 (4%)	2 (2%)	0	0
Headache	0	0	0	2 (4%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nail changes	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0
Other	6 (25%)	2 (8%)	1 (4%)	5 (10%)	3 (6%)	0	30 (26%)	19 (16%)	3 (3%)	0

Grade 1 adverse events were not collected.

**Table 2: Summary of treatment-related adverse events after cycle 15**

# Venetoclax + BTKi Based Combinations

## *Conclusions*

- Strong rationale for combination: sensitize to Bcl-2 dependency by inhibition of lymph node migration
- High response rates are sustained after treatment cessation
- MRD is less of a predictive marker for fixed duration venetoclax + BTK-i
- Toxicities similar to single agents
  - Cardiac toxicity of concern in population at-risk

# CLL17

## Patients with previously untreated CLL

Incl. fit and unfit pts  
Incl. pts with del17p/TP53 mut

Stratification according to  
fitness, del17p/TP53, IGHV, region

R

1:1:1

294 pts

### Ibrutinib monotherapy

Ibrutinib until non-tolerance or PD

294 pts

### Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab

6x Ven+Ob, 6x Ven

294 pts

### Venetoclax + Ibrutinib

3x Ibrutinib, 12x Ven+Ibrutinib

**Total 882 pts**

Primary endpoint:  
**Progression-free survival**

Key secondary endpoints:  
Response, minimal residual disease, overall survival

# **Module 3: Optimal Management of Adverse Events with BTK and Bcl-2 Inhibitors; Considerations for Special Patient Populations — Dr Davids**



## Case Presentation: 70-year-old man with multiple musculoskeletal comorbidities and transportation limitations develops symptomatic IGHV-mutated CLL with cytopenias



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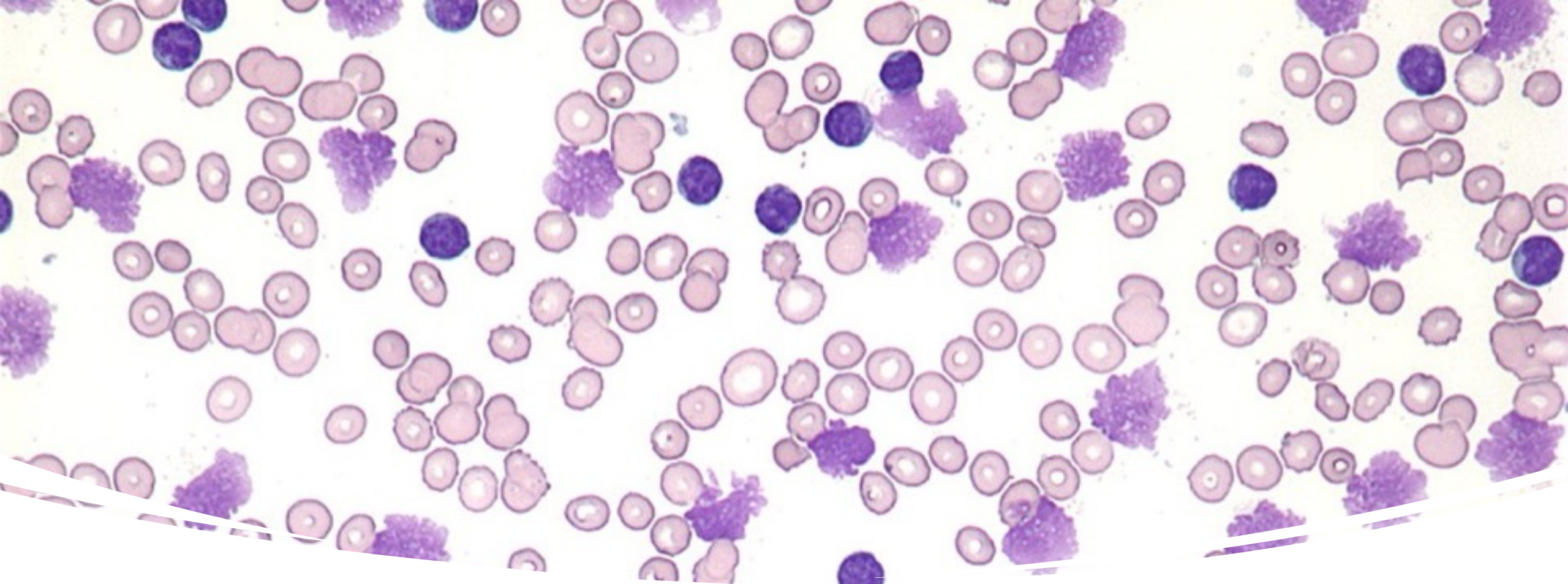
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**Case Presentation: 55-year-old man with del(17p) CLL and significant lymphadenopathy and B symptoms receives acalabrutinib**



**Dr Spencer Bachow  
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**Case Presentation: 72-year-old woman with IGHV-mutated CLL and a complex karyotype**



# **Optimal Management of Adverse Events with BTK and Bcl-2 Inhibitors: Considerations for Special Patient Populations**

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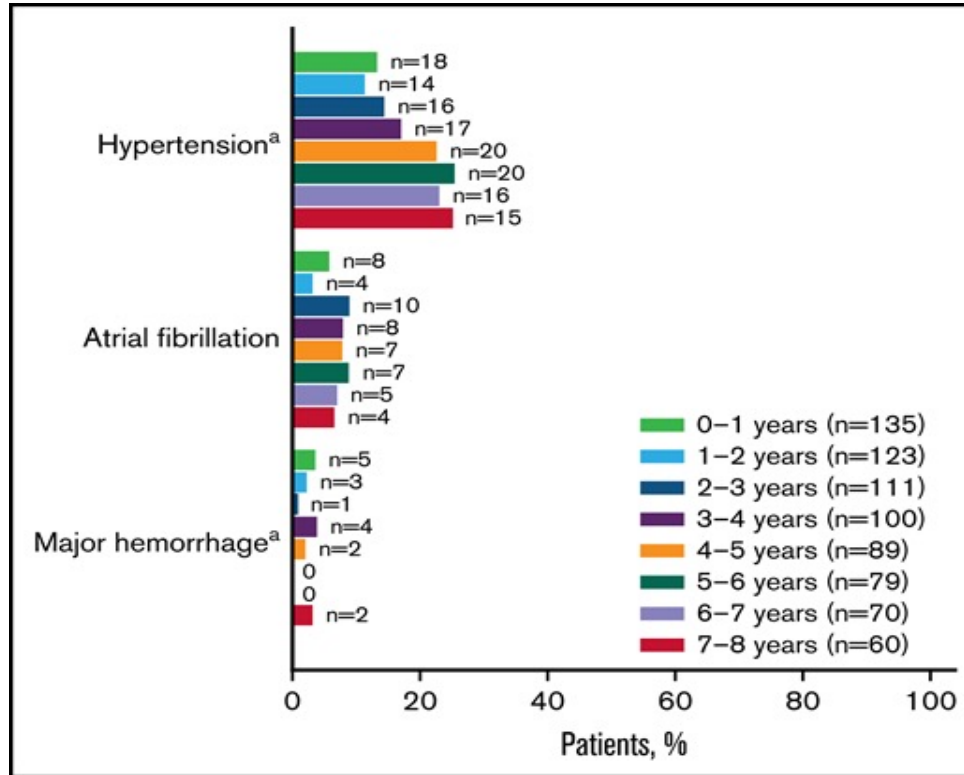
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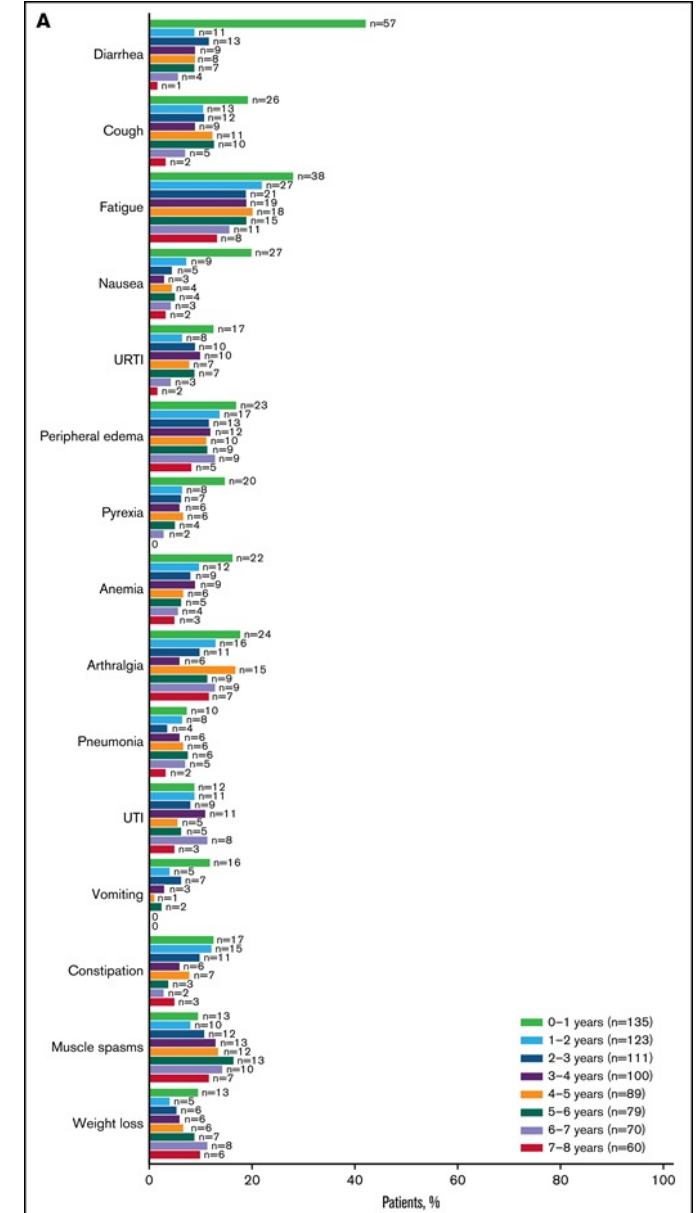
"One of the basic rules of the universe is that nothing is perfect."

*Stephen Hawking*

# RESONATE-2: Discontinuation Rates With Ibrutinib Are High, and Are Due Mostly to AEs



- 42% of patients still on ibrutinib at 8 years
- Most common reason for discontinuation was AEs (24%)



# US cooperative group studies suggest Gr 3/4 ibrutinib toxicities may be less in younger patients

Adverse event	IR Arm Alliance n=181	IR Arm E1912 N=352
Median Age	71 yrs	57 yrs
Age range	65 – 86	31 - 70
Infection	19%	5%
Atrial fibrillation	6%	3%
Bleeding	4%	1%
Hypertension	34%	7%
<b>Deaths during active treatment +30 days</b>	<b>7%*</b>	<b>1%</b>

\*including patients with presumed sudden cardiac death

Adapted from Shanafelt et al., ASH, 2018

# Reasons for Ibrutinib Discontinuation Outside of Clinical Trials

Most Common Ibrutinib-related Toxicities as Reasons for Discontinuation	
Relapsed CLL (%)	Front-line CLL (%)
Atrial fibrillation (12.3)	Arthralgia (41.6)
Infection (10.7)	Atrial fibrillation (25)
Pneumonitis (9.9)	Rash (16.7)
Bleeding (9)	
Diarrhea (6.6)	

Median Times to Ibrutinib Discontinuation Stratified by Toxicity	
Bleeding	8 months
Diarrhea	7.5 months
Atrial fibrillation	7 months
Infection	6 months
Arthralgia	5 months
Pneumonitis	4.5 months
Rash	3.5 months

Mato, et al. *Blood*. 2016;128 (22): 3222

- Ibrutinib discontinuation due to AEs is common in the real-world setting (41% discontinuation at median of 17 mo.)



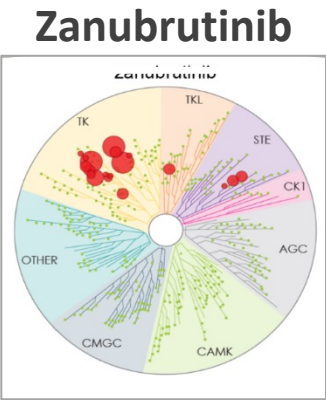
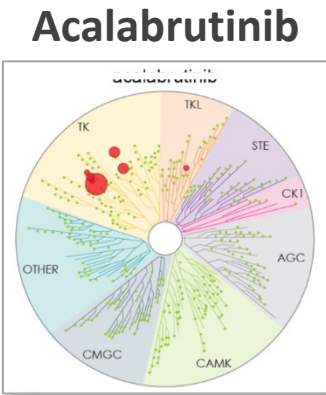
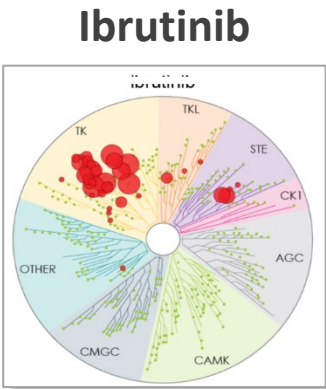
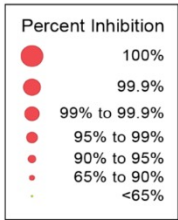
# CLL12: CLL patients commonly have symptoms and complications

	Ibrutinib (n = 158)			Placebo (n = 155)		
	Any grade	Grade 1-2	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade 1-2	Grade ≥3
Total no. of events	1593	1426	167	1015*	885	129
Any AE, n (%)	150 (94.9)	70 (44.3)	80 (50.6)	147 (94.8)	80 (51.6)	67 (43.2)
<b>Most common AEs occurring in ≥0% of patients in any treatment group, n (%)†</b>						
Atrial fibrillation	19 (12.0)	9 (5.7)	10 (6.3)	2 (1.3)		2 (1.3)
Diarrhea	50 (31.6)	48 (30.4)	2 (1.3)	28 (18.1)	27 (17.4)	1 (0.6)
Dyspepsia	23 (14.6)	23 (14.6)		4 (2.6)	4 (2.6)	
Nausea	26 (16.5)	26 (16.5)		15 (9.7)	15 (9.7)	
Fatigue	40 (25.3)	39 (24.7)	1 (0.6)	32 (20.6)	31 (20.0)	1 (0.6)
Nasopharyngitis	42 (26.6)	41 (25.9)	1 (0.6)	51 (32.9)	51 (32.9)	
Upper respiratory tract infection	16 (10.1)	15 (9.5)	1 (0.6)	11 (7.1)	11 (7.1)	
Arthralgia	19 (12.0)	18 (11.4)	1 (0.6)	14 (9.0)	13 (8.4)	1 (0.6)
Back pain	16 (10.1)	14 (8.9)	2 (1.3)	17 (11.0)	15 (9.7)	2 (1.3)
Muscle spasms	22 (13.9)			6 (3.9)		
Dizziness	22 (13.9)	20 (12.7)	2 (1.3)	8 (5.2)	8 (5.2)	
Headache	28 (17.7)	28 (17.7)		17 (11.0)	17 (11.0)	
Rash	29 (18.4)	24 (15.2)	5 (3.2)	8 (5.2)	8 (5.2)	
Hematoma	22 (13.9)	20 (12.7)	2 (1.3)	6 (3.9)	6 (3.9)	
Hypertension	16 (10.1)	14 (8.8)	2 (1.3)	7 (4.5)	4 (2.6)	3 (1.9)



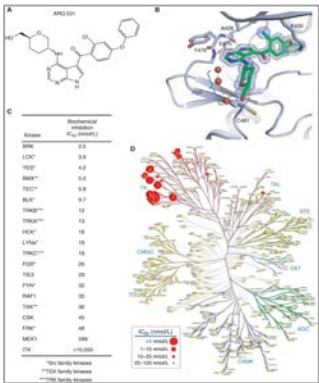
# BTK Inhibitors Exhibit Differences in Kinase Selectivity

## Irreversible

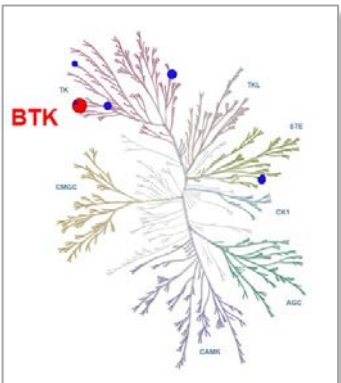


## Reversible

### Nemtabrutinib



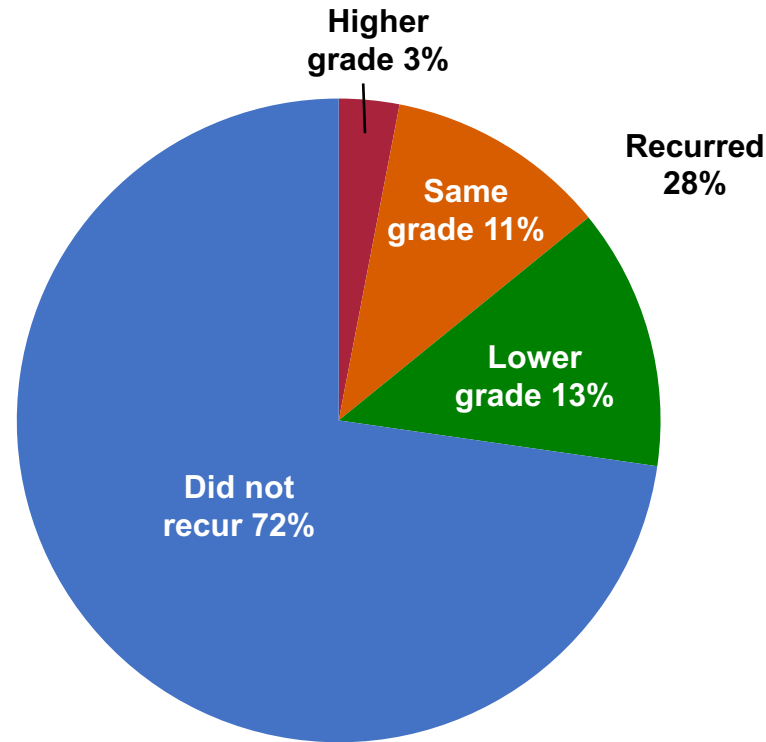
### Pirtobrutinib



Do differences in binding and selectivity impact treatment efficacy and risk of adverse events?

# Acalabrutinib can be well-tolerated in ibrutinib-intolerant patients

Subset analysis of patients with ibrutinib intolerance enrolled in phase 1/2 ACE-CL-001 (n = 33)



Recurrence of Ibrutinib-Related Adverse Events (n=61)  
During Acalabrutinib Treatment

- ~70% of patients remained on acalabrutinib after a median of 19 months
  - 3 patients had discontinued acalabrutinib due to AEs; 4 patients discontinued due to progressive disease

# Phase 2 Trial of Acalabrutinib in Ibrutinib-Intolerant Patients

- Standard-dose acalabrutinib in 60 patients with R/R CLL who were ibrutinib-intolerant
  - Ibrutinib was the most recent systemic therapy for all patients
  - All patients met iwCLL criteria for treatment

	Acalabrutinib (N=60)
ORR	73%
CR	5%
mPFS	NR
24-month PFS	72%
mOS	NR
24-month OS	81%

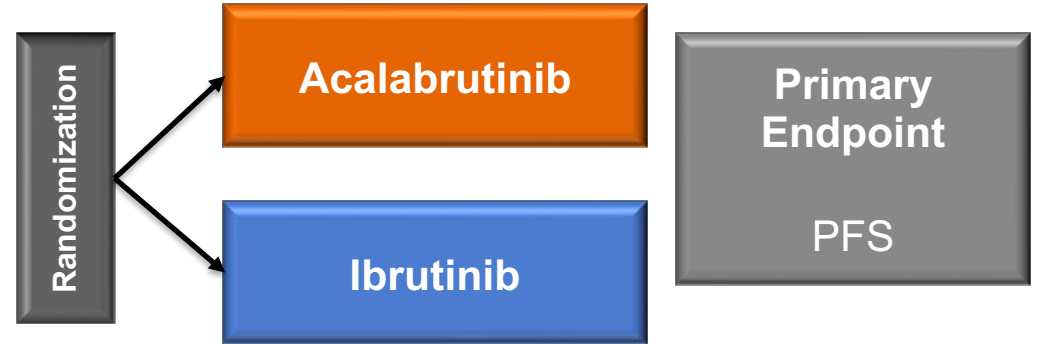
	Acalabrutinib (N=60)
<b>Most frequent AEs</b>	
Diarrhea	53%
Headache	42%
Contusion	40%
Dizziness	33%
Upper RTI	33%
Cough	30%
<b>AEs leading to discontinuation*</b>	17%

\*1 patient discontinued acalabrutinib for the same toxicity (diarrhea) that led to ibrutinib discontinuation

# Phase 3 ELEVATE-CLL R/R: Acalabrutinib vs Ibrutinib in R/R High-risk CLL

## R/R High-risk CLL N=533

- $\geq 1$  prior therapies for CLL
- ECOG of 0-2; Active disease meeting  $\geq 1$  of the IWCLL 2008 criteria for requiring treatment; Must have  $\geq 1$  high-risk prognostic factors (17p del and/or 11q del by central laboratory)
- No prior exposure to ibrutinib or to a BCR inhibitor or a BCL-2 inhibitor



- **Primary Endpoint:**
  - **Acalabrutinib demonstrated noninferiority to ibrutinib (PFS)**
    - At a median follow-up of 40.9 months (range, 0.0-59.1), the mPFS was 38.4 months for both acalabrutinib and ibrutinib (HR, 1.00; 95% CI, 0.79-1.27).

# ELEVATE-R/R: Lower Incidence of Any Grade A-fib/Flutter, Hypertension, Bleeding With Acalabrutinib vs Ibrutinib<sup>1</sup>

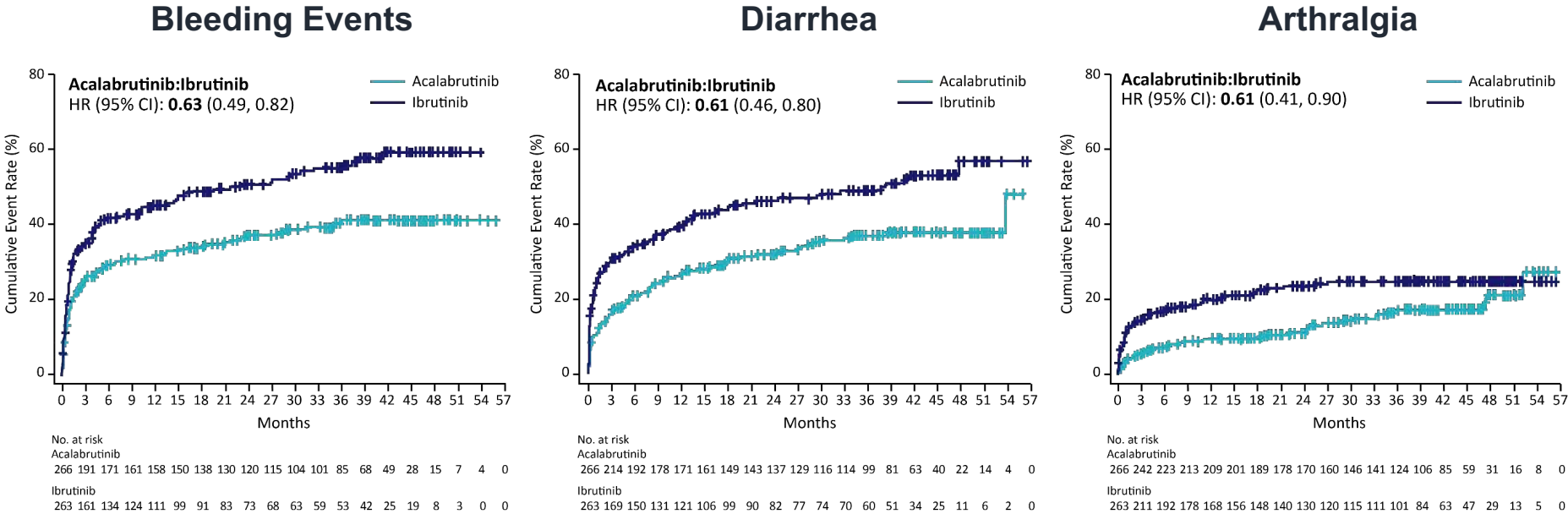
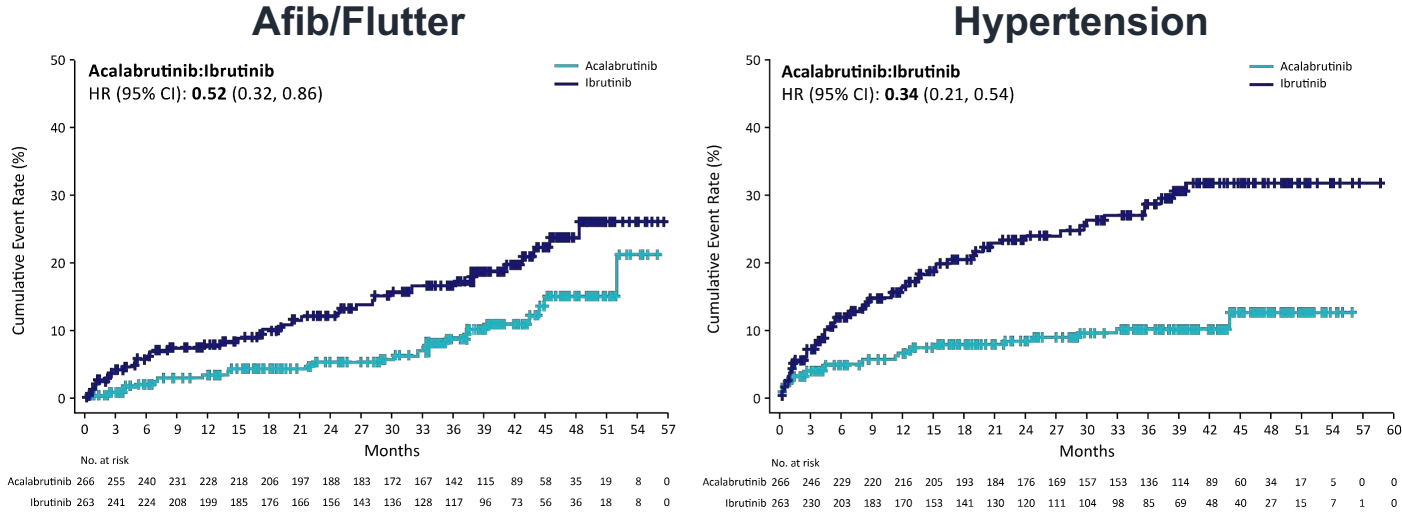
Events, n (%)	Acalabrutinib (n = 266)		Ibrutinib (n = 263)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
<b>Cardiac events</b>	64 (24.1)	23 (8.6)	79 (30.0)	25 (9.5)
<b>A-fib<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>25 (9.4)</b>	13 (4.9)	<b>42 (16.0)</b>	10 (3.8)
Ventricular tachyarrhythmias	0	0	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)
<b>Hypertension<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>25 (9.4)</b>	11 (4.1)	<b>61 (23.2)</b>	24 (9.1)
<b>Bleeding events</b>	<b>101 (38.0)</b>	10 (3.8)	<b>135 (51.3)</b>	12 (4.6)
Major bleeding events <sup>a</sup>	12 (4.5)	10 (3.8)	14 (5.3)	12 (4.6)
<b>Infections</b>	208 (78.2)	82 (30.8)	214 (81.4)	79 (30.0)

- AEs led to discontinuation in 14.7% of acalabrutinib-treated pts vs 21.3% of ibrutinib-treated pts

<sup>a</sup> Includes A-fib/flutter. <sup>b</sup> Includes hypertension, blood pressure increased, and blood pressure systolic increased.

1. Byrd JC et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2021;39:3441-3452.

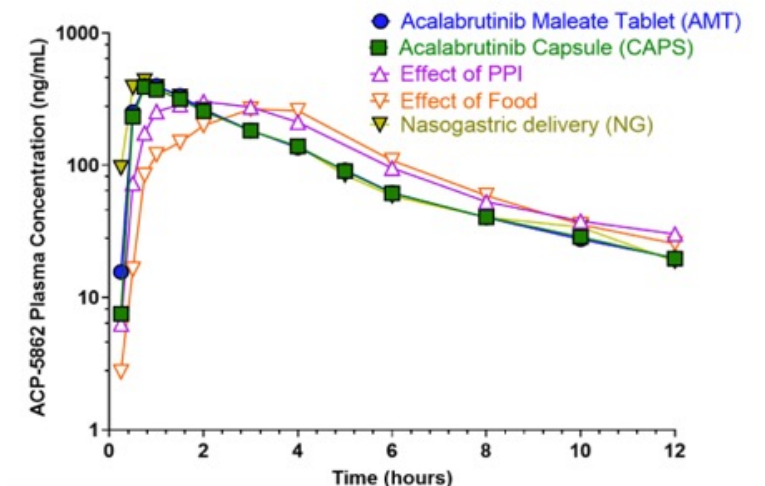
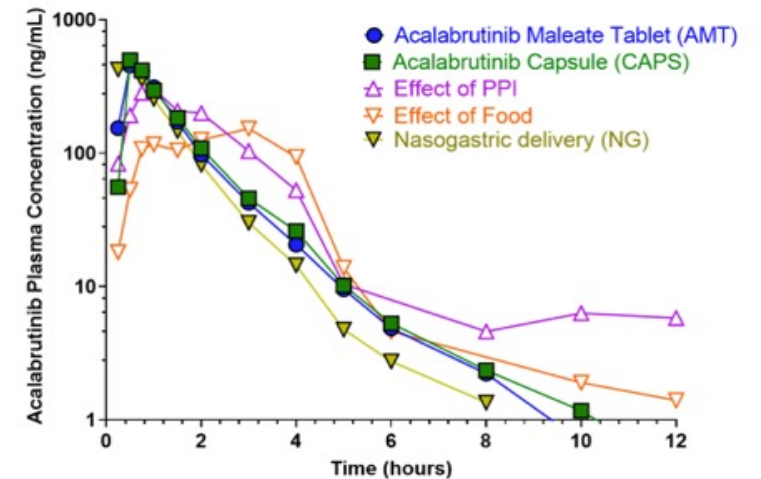
# Acalabrutinib has an improved AE profile compared to ibrutinib, but toxicities are still common



# ELEVATE-PLUS: Acalabrutinib Maleate Tablet (AMT) Formulation Allowing Co-administration With PPI and Dosing in Patients Unable to Swallow

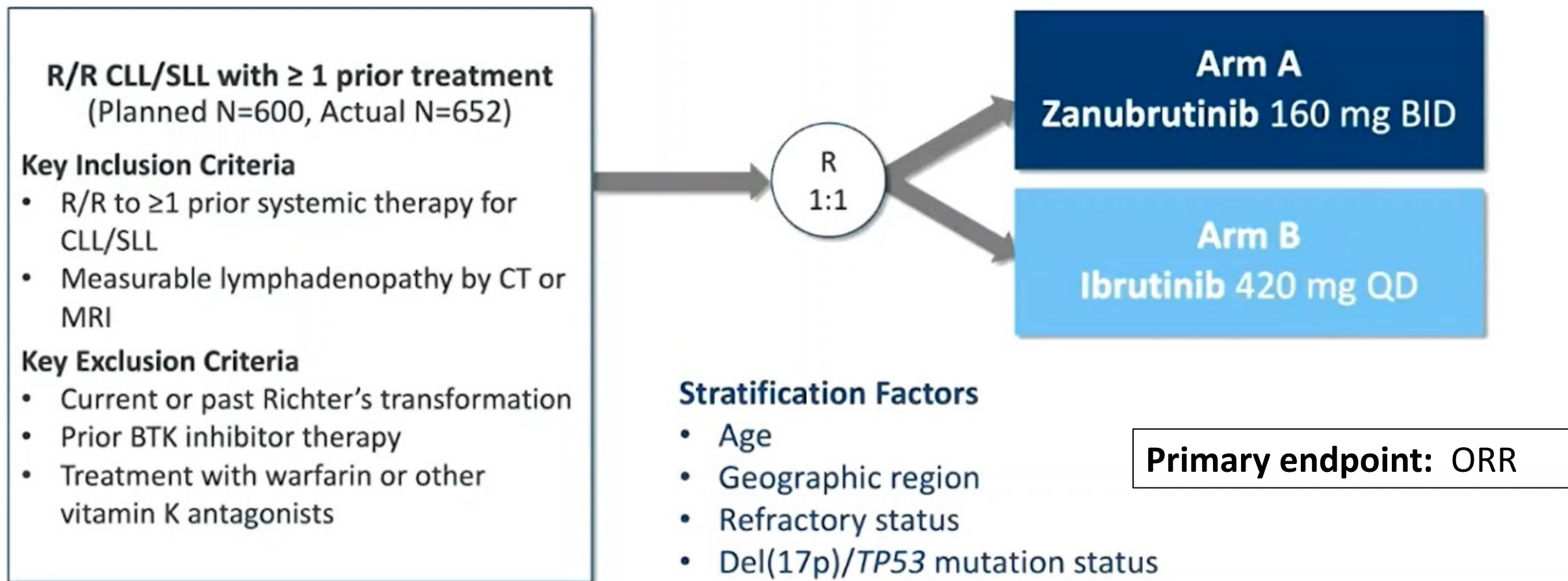
- Three Phase 1, open-label, single-dose, cross-over studies conducted in healthy subjects demonstrated
  - Similar systemic exposure between AMT and acalabrutinib capsules
  - No clinically relevant differences in acalabrutinib and ACP-5862 exposures was observed following administration of AMT +/- PPI
  - No clinically relevant impact of food on exposures
  - Similar BTK target occupancy
  - No new safety concerns with the AMT

PK Profiles of Acalabrutinib/ACP-5862





# ALPINE: Phase 3, Randomized Study of Zanubrutinib vs Ibrutinib in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory CLL or SLL



# Additional AEs of Special Interest

Safety Analysis Population	Zanubrutinib (n=204), n (%)		Ibrutinib (n=207), n (%)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
Cardiac disorders <sup>a</sup>	28 (13.7)	5 (2.5)	52 (25.1)	14 (6.8)
<b>Atrial fibrillation and flutter (key 2<sup>nd</sup> endpoint)</b>	<b>5 (2.5)</b>	<b>2 (1.0)</b>	<b>21 (10.1)</b>	<b>4 (1.9)</b>
Hemorrhage	73 (35.8)	6 (2.9)	75 (36.2)	6 (2.9)
Major hemorrhage <sup>b</sup>	6 (2.9)	6 (2.9)	8 (3.9)	6 (2.9)
Hypertension	34 (16.7)	22 (10.8)	34 (16.4)	22 (10.6)
Infections	122 (59.8)	26 (12.7)	131 (63.3)	37 (17.9)
Neutropenia <sup>c</sup>	58 (28.4)	38 (18.6)	45 (21.7)	31 (15.0)
Thrombocytopenia <sup>c</sup>	19 (9.3)	7 (3.4)	26 (12.6)	7 (3.4)
Secondary primary malignancies	17 (8.3)	10 (4.9)	13 (6.3)	4 (1.9)
Skin cancers	7 (3.4)	3 (1.5)	10 (4.8)	2 (1.0)

AE, adverse events. All events are of any grade unless otherwise specified.

<sup>a</sup> Cardiac disorders leading to treatment discontinuation: zanubrutinib 0 patients and ibrutinib 7 (3.4%) patients.

<sup>b</sup> Includes hemorrhages that were serious or grade ≥3 or CNS hemorrhages of all grades.

<sup>c</sup> Pooled terms including neutropenia, neutrophil count decreased, and febrile neutropenia; thrombocytopenia and platelet count decreased.

ALPINE study.

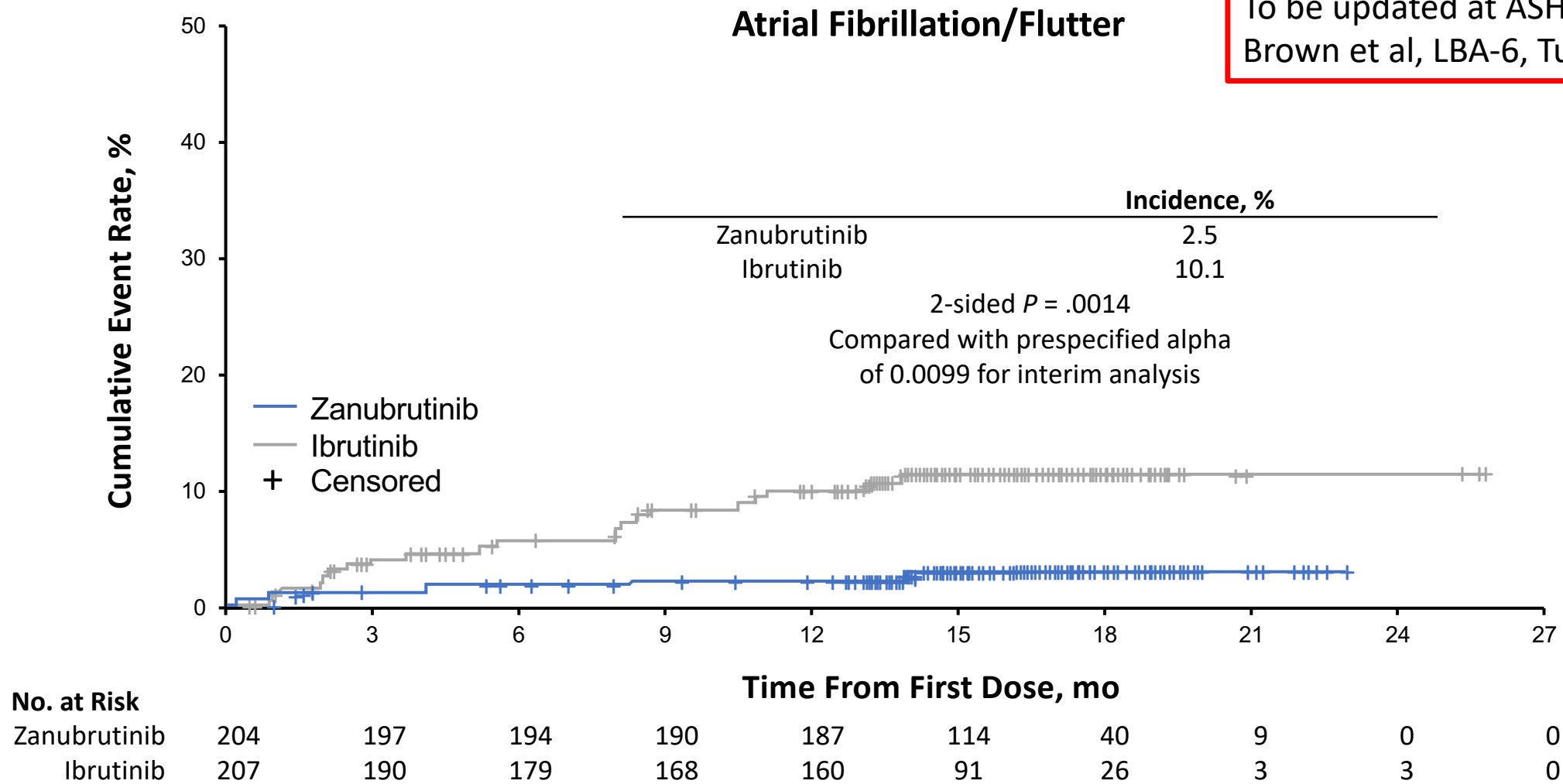
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# ALPINE: Safety Analysis with Lower Rates of A-fib/Flutter With Zanubrutinib

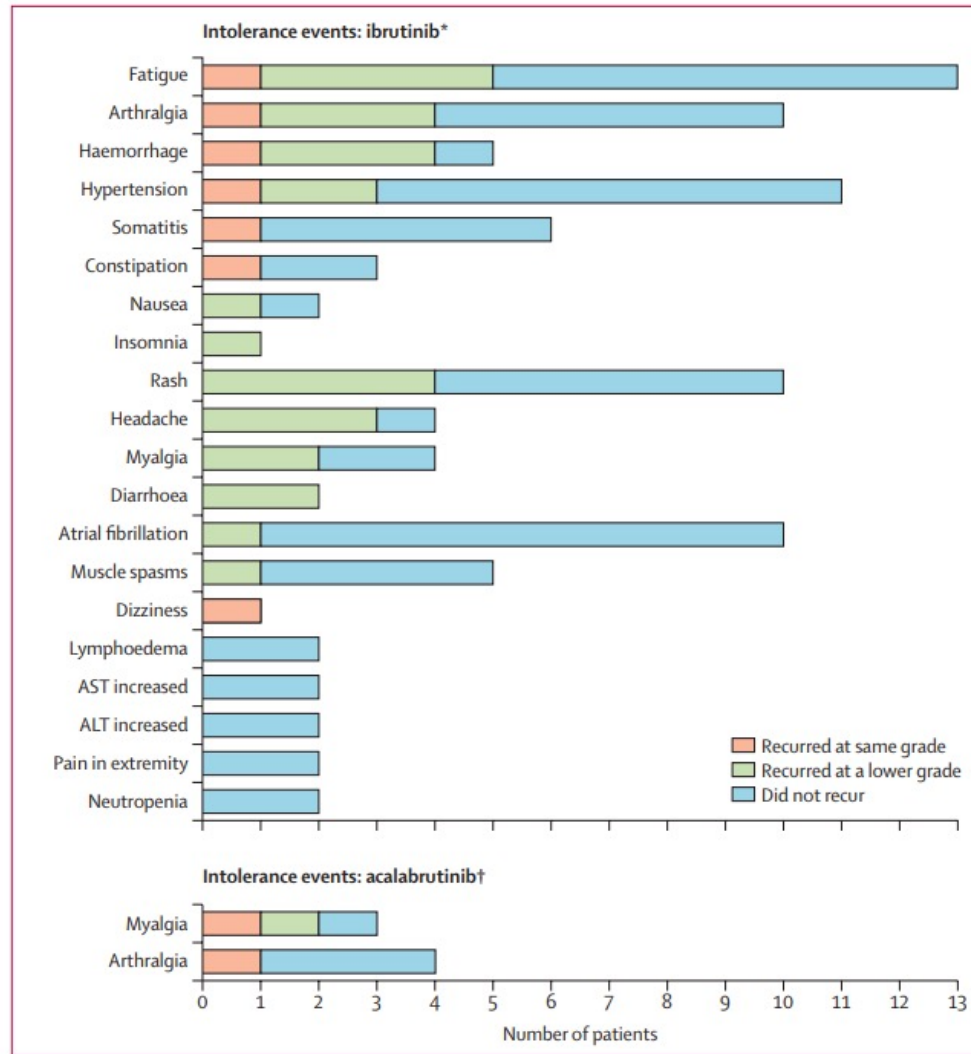
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**Overall AEs leading to treatment discontinuation: 16 in zanubrutinib group (8%) vs 27 for ibrutinib (13%)**

# A phase 2 study of zanubrutinib in patients with previously treated B-cell malignancies intolerant of previous BTKi

Recurrence and change in severity of ibrutinib and acalabrutinib intolerance events during treatment with zanubrutinib





# Tips for BTKi toxicity management<sup>1</sup>

- Avoid warfarin when anticoagulation needed
- Hypertension: proactively manage with antihypertensives
- Monitor for and manage cardiac arrhythmia/a-fib; treat appropriately
- Monitor patients for signs of bleeding

- Headaches commonly occur early in therapy with acalabrutinib and typically resolved in 1-2 months (manage with acetaminophen + caffeine)
- Monitor for neutropenia (particularly with zanubrutinib), use GCSF prn
- Monitor for infections and secondary malignancies
- Hold perioperatively depending on how significant the procedure is

# Venetoclax was generally well tolerated in phase 1, although specific toxicities were noted

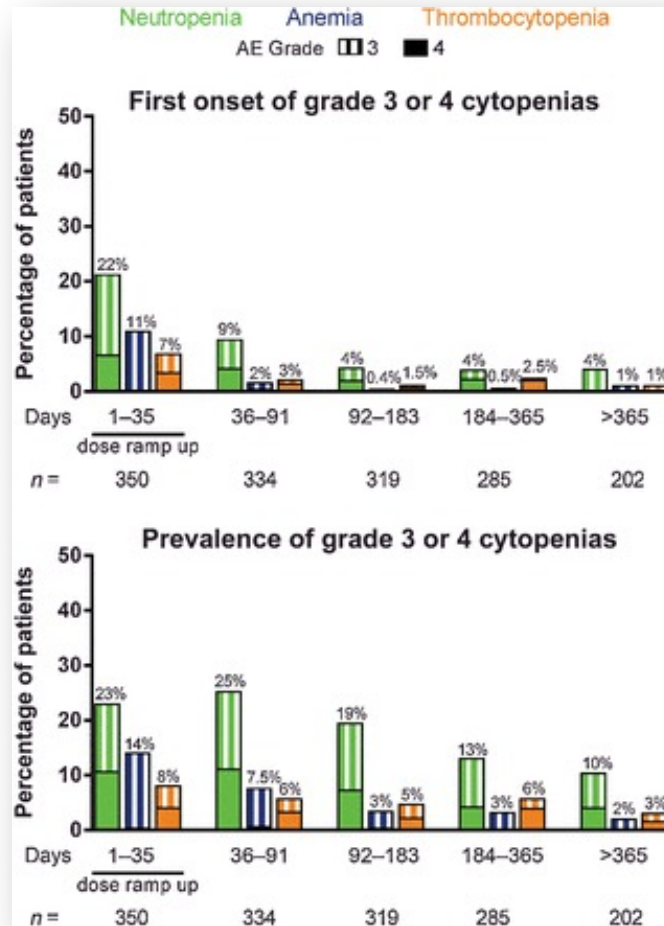
Adverse events, serious adverse events and toxicity in the 116 study patients					
Adverse event*	Any Grade [n (%)]	Grade 3 or 4 [n (%)]	Serious adverse event†	Any Grade [n (%)]	Grade 3 or 4 [n (%)]
Any	115 (99)	96 (83)	Any	52 (45)	
Diarrhea	60 (52)	2 (2)	Febrile neutropenia	7 (6)	
Upper respiratory tract infection	56 (48)	1 (1)	Pneumonia	5 (4)	
Nausea	55 (47)	2 (2)	Upper respiratory tract infection	4 (3)	
Neutropenia	52 (45)	48 (41)	Immune thrombocytopenia	3 (3)	
Fatigue	46 (40)	4 (3)	Tumor lysis syndrome	3 (3)	
Cough	35 (30)	0	Diarrhea	2 (2)	
Pyrexia	30 (26)	1 (1)	Fluid overload	2 (2)	
Anemia	29 (25)	14 (12)	Hyperglycaemia	2 (2)	
Headache	28 (24)	1 (1)	Prostate cancer	2 (2)	
Constipation	24 (21)	1 (1)	Pyrexia	2 (2)	
Thrombocytopenia	21 (18)	14 (12)	Toxicity	Any Grade (%)	Grade 3 or 4 (%)
Arthralgia	21 (18)	1 (1)	Neutropenia	45	41
Vomiting	21 (18)	2 (2)	GI	52	2
Peripheral oedema	18 (16)	0	TLS	3	3
Pyrexia	17 (15)	10 (9)			

\*Listed are adverse events that were reported in at least 15% patients. Preexisting grade 1/2 abnormalities not reported, unless grade increased during the study.

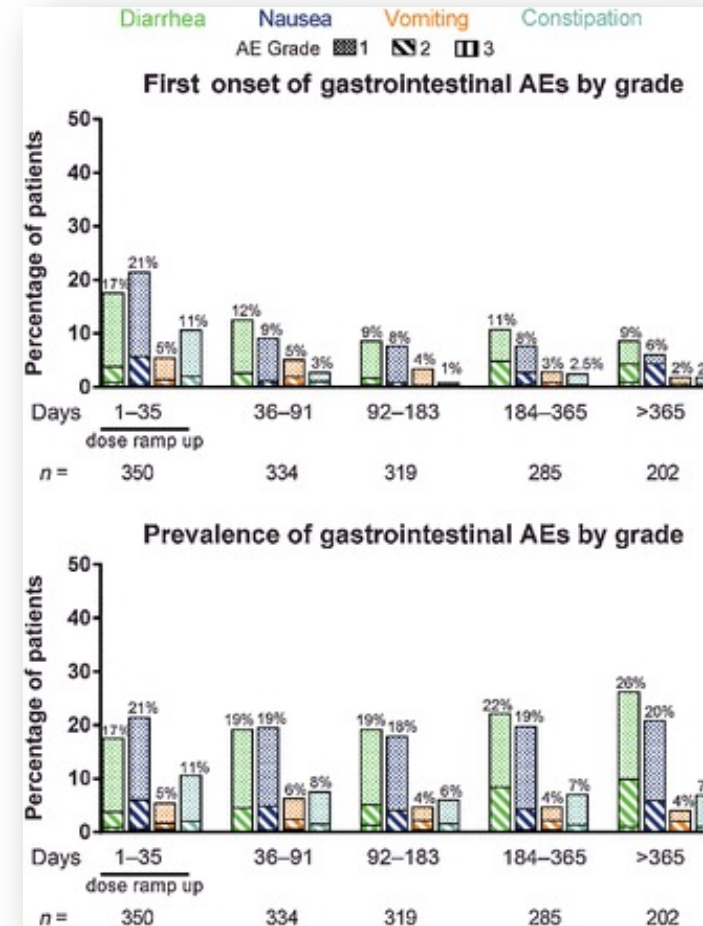
†Listed are serious adverse events that were reported in at least two patients. Excluded are serious adverse events that were related to disease progression in two patients.

# Venetoclax risks tend to decrease over time

## Cytopenias



## GI Toxicities



- 2/166 (1.4%) of patients treated with current dosing algorithm had biochemical laboratory changes in TLS parameters, but none had clinical TLS



# Phase 3 CLL14 study: Safety profile of ven + obin was favorable, especially after completion of therapy

Most frequent ≥ grade 3 adverse events	Venetoclax-obinutuzumab (N=212)	
	During Treatment	After Treatment
Neutropenia	51.9%	4.0%
Thrombocytopenia	13.7%	0.5%
Anemia	7.5%	1.5%
Febrile neutropenia	4.2%	1.0%
Infusion-related reaction	9.0%	0.0%
Tumor lysis syndrome	1.4%	0.0%
Neoplasms	1.4%	6.4%

# Tips for venetoclax toxicity management

- For neutropenia (e.g. ANC <1,000), it is helpful to give growth factor support (pegfilgrastim when available) and continue venetoclax
  - Individualized frequency based on patient response
- For diarrhea, infectious etiologies should be ruled out and then anti-diarrheals can be used while continuing venetoclax
- For nausea: adjust dose timing and use antiemetics
- Dose interruption and dose reduction can be used for persistent toxicities despite the above measures
- Does **not** need to be held perioperatively

# CAPTIVATE-FD Cohort: Ibrut + Ven well-tolerated in a young, fit population

Median Age = 60

Treatment-Emergent AEs	All treated patients (n = 159), n (%)	
	Any grade	Grade 3/4
Most common AEs		
Diarrhea	99 (62)	5 (3)
Nausea	68 (43)	2 (1)
Neutropenia	66 (42)	52 (33)
Arthralgia	53 (33)	2 (1)
Hypertension	25 (16)	9 (6)
Neutrophil count decreased	16 (10)	8 (5)
Other AEs of clinical interest		
Atrial fibrillation	7 (4)	2 (1)
Major hemorrhage	3 (2)	2 (1)
Laboratory safety parameters		
Hematology		
Neutrophils decreased	115 (72)	60 (38)
Platelets decreased	94 (59)	20 (13)
Hemoglobin decreased	31 (19)	0
Chemistry		
Corrected calcium decreased	61 (38)	1 (1)
Potassium increased	39 (25)	4 (3)
Uric acid increased	34 (21)	34 (21)
Creatinine increased	27 (17)	0

# GLOW: Ibrut + Ven had more toxicities in an older, more comorbid population

Median Age = 71

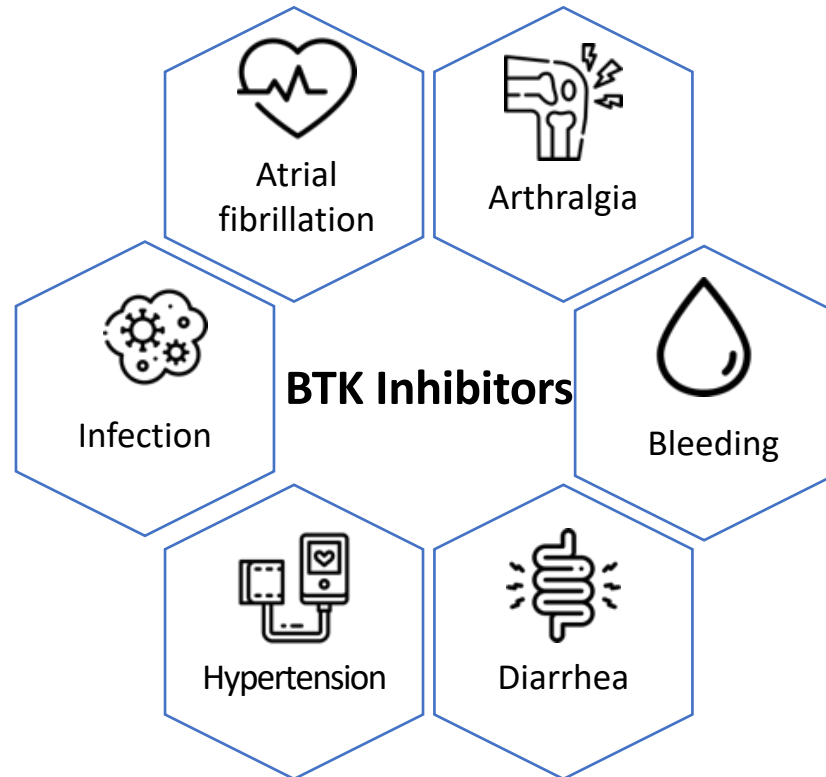
Treatment exposure — mo, median (range)	13.8 (0.7–19.5)	
Adverse events — n (%)	Grade 3/4	Grade 5
Patients with ≥1 adverse events	73 (68.9)	7 (6.6)
Neutropenia	37 (34.9)	0
Infections and infestations	16 (15.1)	2 (1.9)
Diarrhea	11 (10.4)	0
Hypertension	8 (7.5)	0
Atrial fibrillation	7 (6.6)	0
Thrombocytopenia	6 (5.7)	0
Hyponatremia	6 (5.7)	0
Cardiac failure	3 (2.8)	1 (0.9)
Sinus node dysfunction	1 (0.9)	1 (0.9)
Cholestasis	1 (0.9)	0
Sudden death	0	2 (1.9)
Ischemic stroke	0	1 (0.9)
Malignant neoplasm	0	1 (0.9)
Cardiac arrest	0	1 (0.9)
Tumor lysis syndrome	0	0

# General tips for AE Management in CLL

- In the setting of active infection it is generally best to hold drug at least until seeing signs of clinical improvement (possible exception of mild COVID-19)
- For most toxicities requiring drug hold, it is preferable to either re-challenge with full dose or to start back at dose reduction but then get back to full dose
- I am more hesitant to hold drug soon after starting a novel agent or in a patient who is progressing on a novel agent
- I am less concerned about stopping drug in patients who have been on novel agents for at least a few months and are in a good clinical response
- It is generally safe to give growth factor support concomitantly with novel agents
- Patients who have to permanently discontinue a novel agent due to toxicity do not necessarily need to immediately start on a new therapy

# Summary of AEs with Targeted Agents in CLL

## AEs With BTKi



**Additional important AEs: dermatologic changes, fatigue, cytopenias, and ventricular arrhythmias**

## AEs With Venetoclax



**TLS**



**GI events**



**Infections**



**Myelosuppression**

# **Module 4: Selection and Sequencing of Available Therapies for Relapsed/Refractory Disease — Dr Thompson**



## Case Presentation: 74-year-old man with relapsed del(17p) CLL s/p ibrutinib with multiple chronic low-grade toxicities



**Dr Tina Bhatnagar (Wheeling, West Virginia)**

# **Selection and Sequencing of Available Therapies for Relapsed/Refractory (R/R) CLL**

**Dr. Philip Thompson**

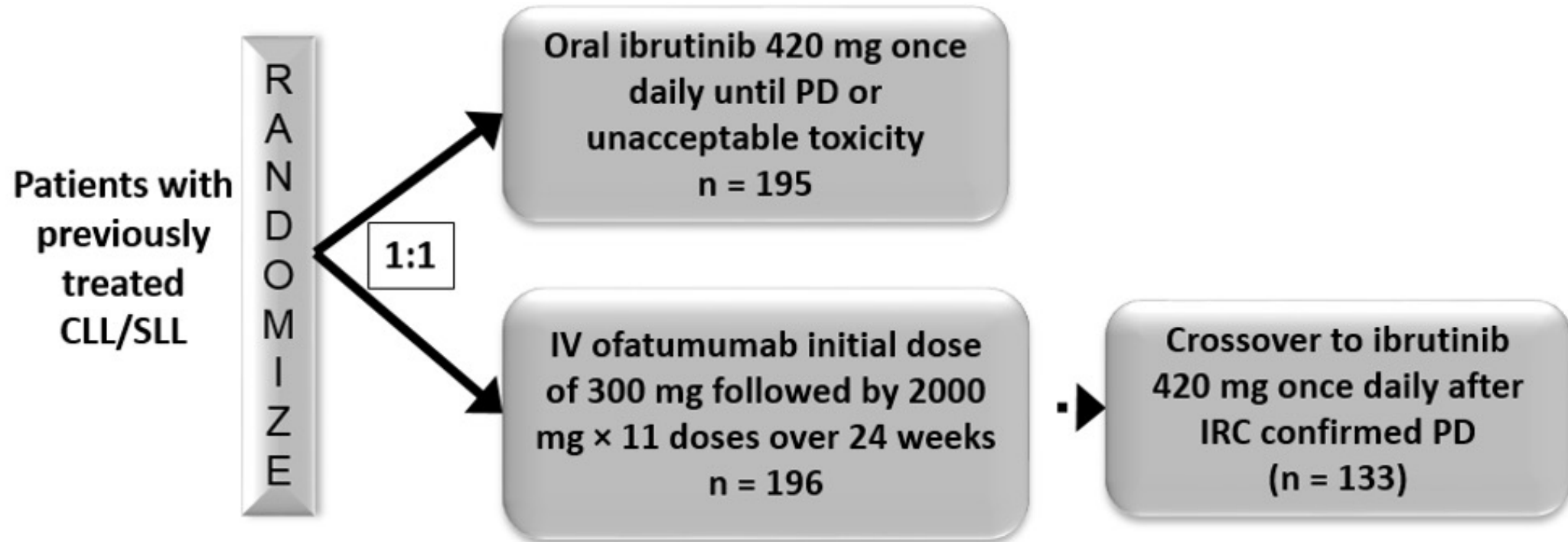
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# Topics

- Long-term follow-up data from phase III studies in R/R CLL.
- How I think about sequencing therapies.
- Role for PI3K inhibitors in CLL.
- Novel approaches to CLL and RS.

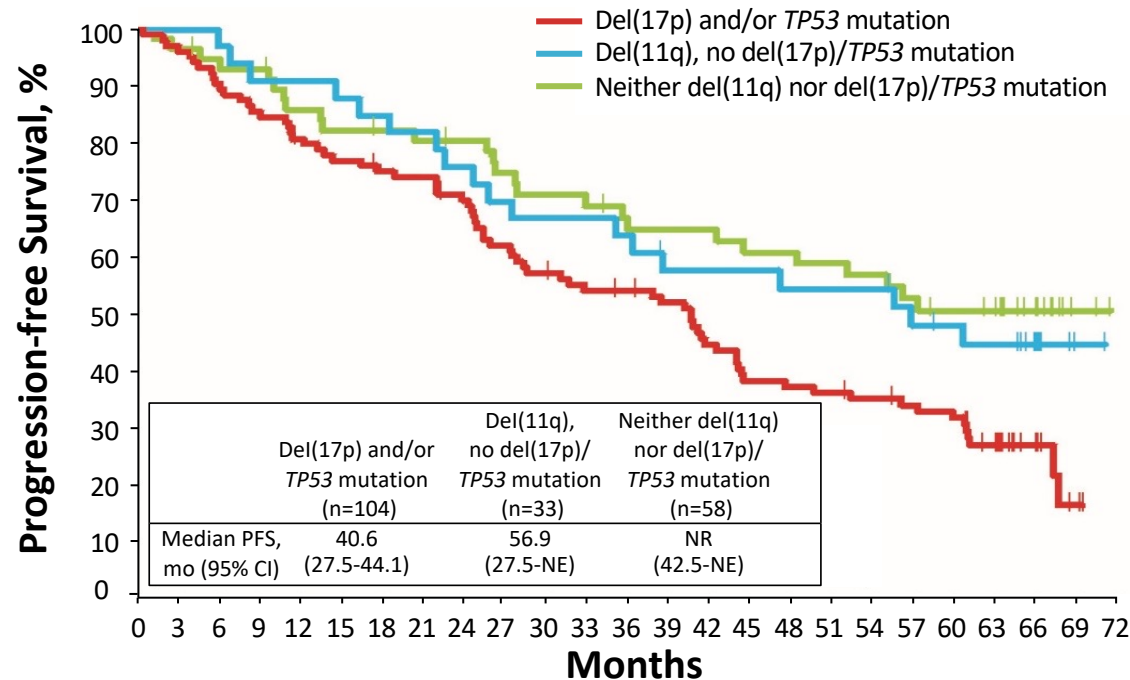
# RESONATE Phase III Study Design



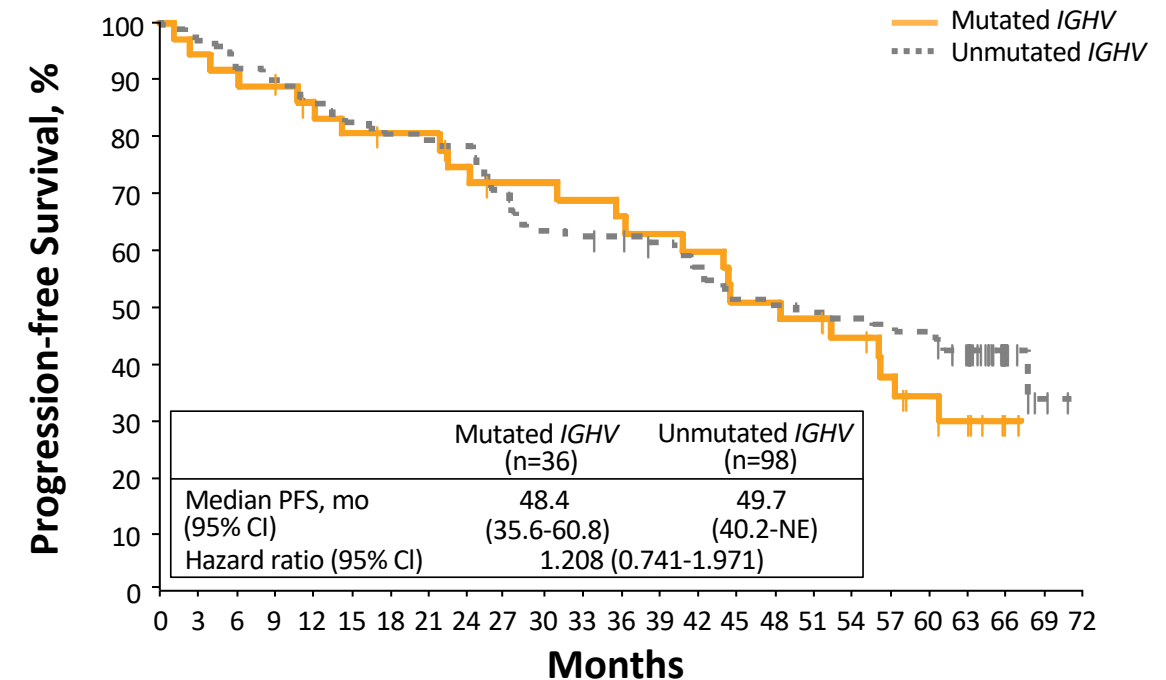
- Primary endpoint: PFS
- Median # therapies in ibrutinib arm = 3.
- In ibrutinib arm, 32% had del(17p) and 32% del(11q).

# RESONATE: Long-term PFS Benefit With Ibrutinib Across Subgroups by Del(17p)/*TP53* Mutation, Del(11q), and *IGHV* Mutation Status

By Del(17p)/*TP53* Mutation and Del(11q)<sup>a</sup>



By *IGHV* Mutation



- In ibrutinib-treated patients, median PFS was shorter for patients with del(17p) and/or *TP53* mutation (41 months) than in patients with del(11q) (57 months) or those without any of these abnormalities (not reached)
- PFS with ibrutinib was similar irrespective of *IGHV* mutation status

NE, not estimable; NR, not reached.

<sup>a</sup>Genomic abnormalities by fluorescence in situ hybridization cytogenetics were categorized according to Döhner hierarchical classification.



# ELEVATE-RR:

## Phase 3 Randomized Non-inferiority Open-Label Trial

### Patients (N=533)

#### Key Inclusion Criteria

- Adults with previously treated CLL requiring therapy (iwCLL 2008 criteria<sup>1</sup>)
- Presence of del(17p) or del(11q)<sup>a</sup>
- ECOG PS of  $\leq 2$

#### Stratification

- del(17p) status (yes or no)
- ECOG PS (2 vs  $\leq 1$ )
- No. prior therapies (1–3 vs  $\geq 4$ )

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Acalabrutinib<sup>b</sup>  
100 mg PO BID

Ibrutinib<sup>b</sup>  
420 mg PO QD

### Primary endpoint

- Non-inferiority on IRC-assessed PFS<sup>c</sup>

### Secondary endpoints (hierarchical order):

- Incidence of any grade atrial fibrillation/flutter
- Incidence of grade  $\geq 3$  infection
- Incidence of Richter transformation
- Overall survival

Key exclusion criteria: Significant CV disease; concomitant treatment with warfarin or equivalent vitamin K antagonist; prior treatment with ibrutinib, a BCR inhibitor (eg, BTK, PI3K, or Syk inhibitors), or a BCL-2 inhibitor (eg, venetoclax)

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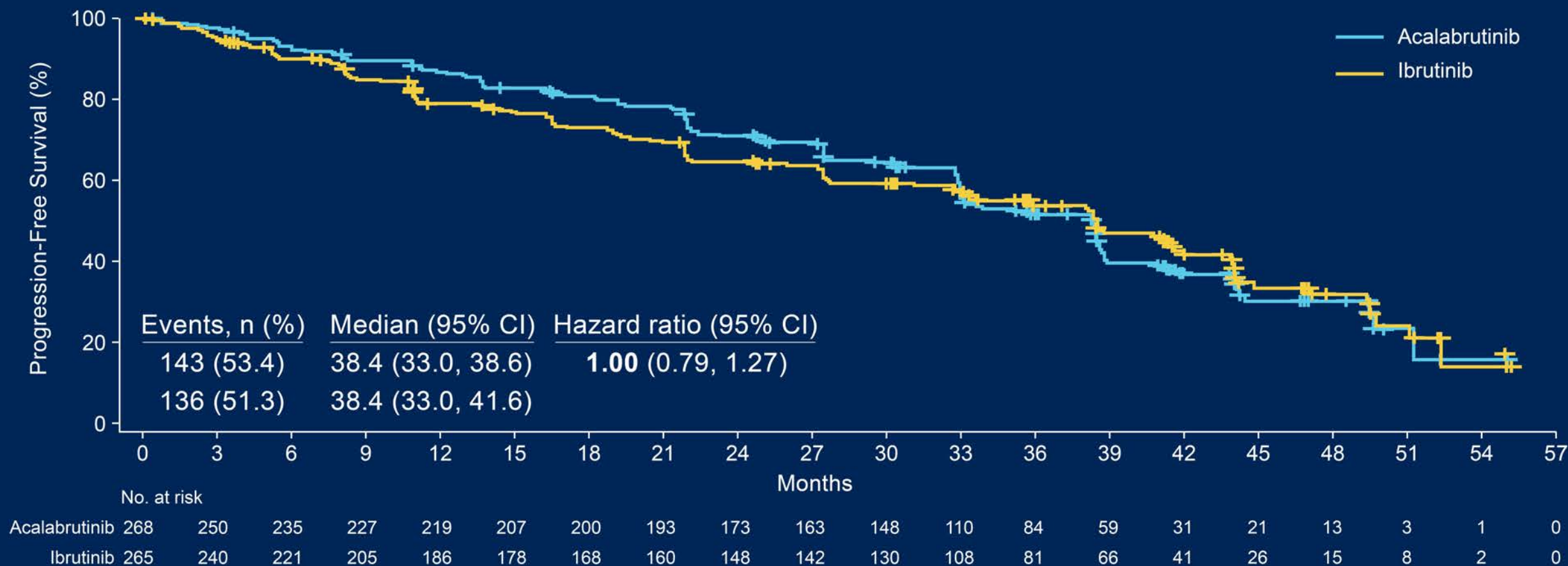
<sup>a</sup>By central laboratory testing; <sup>b</sup>continued until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity; <sup>c</sup>conducted after enrollment completion and accrual of ~250 IRC-assessed PFS events.

Afib/flutter, atrial fibrillation/flutter; BCL-2, B-cell leukemia/lymphoma-2; BCR, B-cell receptor; BID, twice daily; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CV, cardiovascular; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; IRC, independent review committee; iwCLL, International Workshop on CLL; PFS, progression-free survival; PI3K, phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase; PO, orally; QD, once daily.

1. Hallek M, et al. *Blood*. 2008;111:5446-56.

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# Primary Endpoint: Non-inferiority Met on IRC-Assessed PFS



**Median follow-up: 40.9 months (range, 0.0–59.1).**

CI, confidence interval; IRC, independent review committee; PFS, progression-free survival.



# Events of Clinical Interest

Events, n (%)	Any grade		Grade ≥3	
	Acalabrutinib (n=266)	Ibrutinib (n=263)	Acalabrutinib (n=266)	Ibrutinib (n=263)
Cardiac events	64 (24.1)	79 (30.0)	23 (8.6)	25 (9.5)
Atrial fibrillation <sup>a*</sup>	25 (9.4)	<b>42 (16.0)</b>	13 (4.9)	10 (3.8)
Ventricular arrhythmias <sup>b</sup>	0	3 (1.1)	0	1 (0.4)
Bleeding events <sup>*</sup>	101 (38.0)	<b>135 (51.3)</b>	10 (3.8)	12 (4.6)
Major bleeding events <sup>c</sup>	12 (4.5)	14 (5.3)	10 (3.8)	12 (4.6)
Hypertension <sup>d*</sup>	25 (9.4)	<b>61 (23.2)</b>	11 (4.1)	<b>24 (9.1)</b>
Infections <sup>e</sup>	208 (78.2)	214 (81.4)	82 (30.8)	79 (30.0)
ILD/pneumonitis <sup>*</sup>	7 (2.6)	<b>17 (6.5)</b>	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)
SPMs excluding NMSC	24 (9.0)	20 (7.6)	16 (6.0)	14 (5.3)

Higher incidence indicated in **bold yellow** for terms with statistical differences.

\*Two-sided P-value for event comparisons <0.05 without multiplicity adjustment.

<sup>a</sup>Includes events with preferred terms atrial fibrillation and atrial flutter.

<sup>b</sup>Includes events with preferred terms torsade de pointes, ventricular arrhythmia, ventricular extrasystoles, ventricular fibrillation, ventricular flutter, ventricular tachyarrhythmia, and ventricular tachycardia.

<sup>c</sup>Defined as any hemorrhagic event that was serious, grade ≥3 in severity, or a central nervous system hemorrhage (any severity grade).

<sup>d</sup>Included events with the preferred terms of hypertension, blood pressure increased, and blood pressure systolic increased.

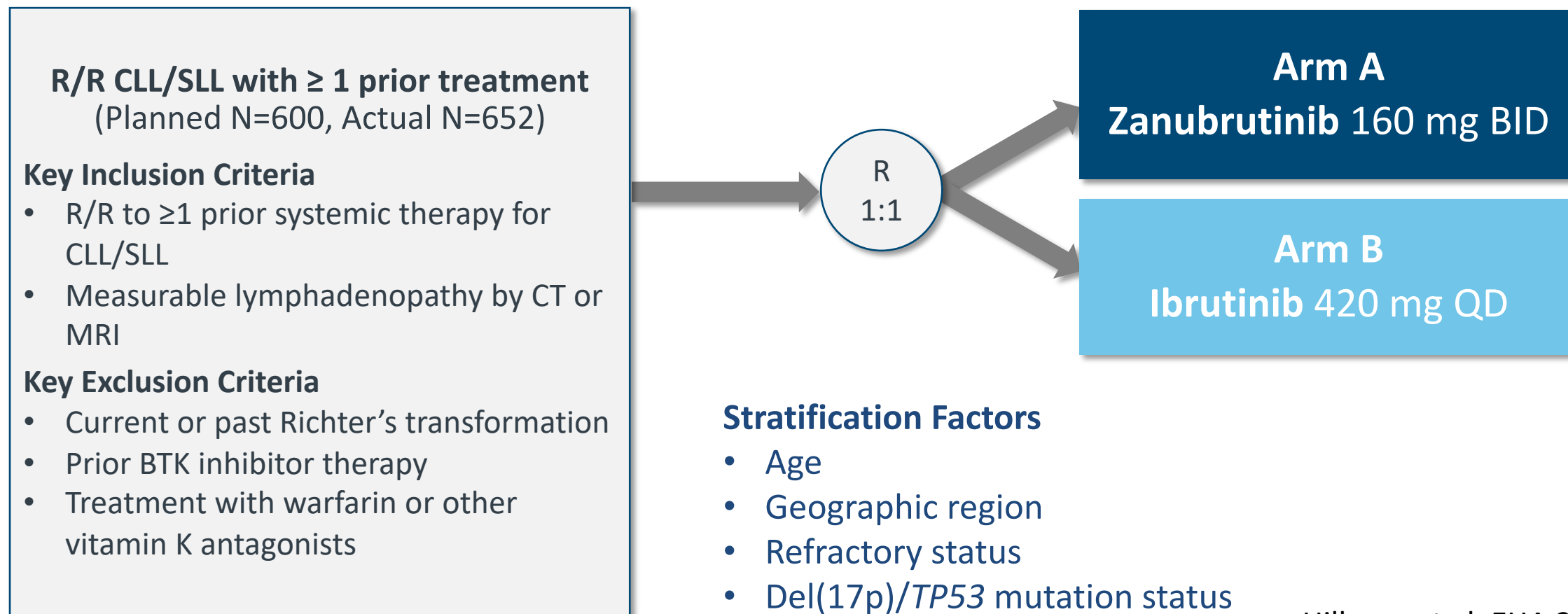
<sup>e</sup>Most common grade ≥3 infections were pneumonia (acalabrutinib, 10.5%; ibrutinib, 8.7%), sepsis (1.5% vs 2.7%, respectively), and UTI (1.1% vs 2.3%).

ILD, interstitial lung disease; NMSC, nonmelanoma skin cancer; SPMs, second primary malignancies; UTI, urinary tract infection.

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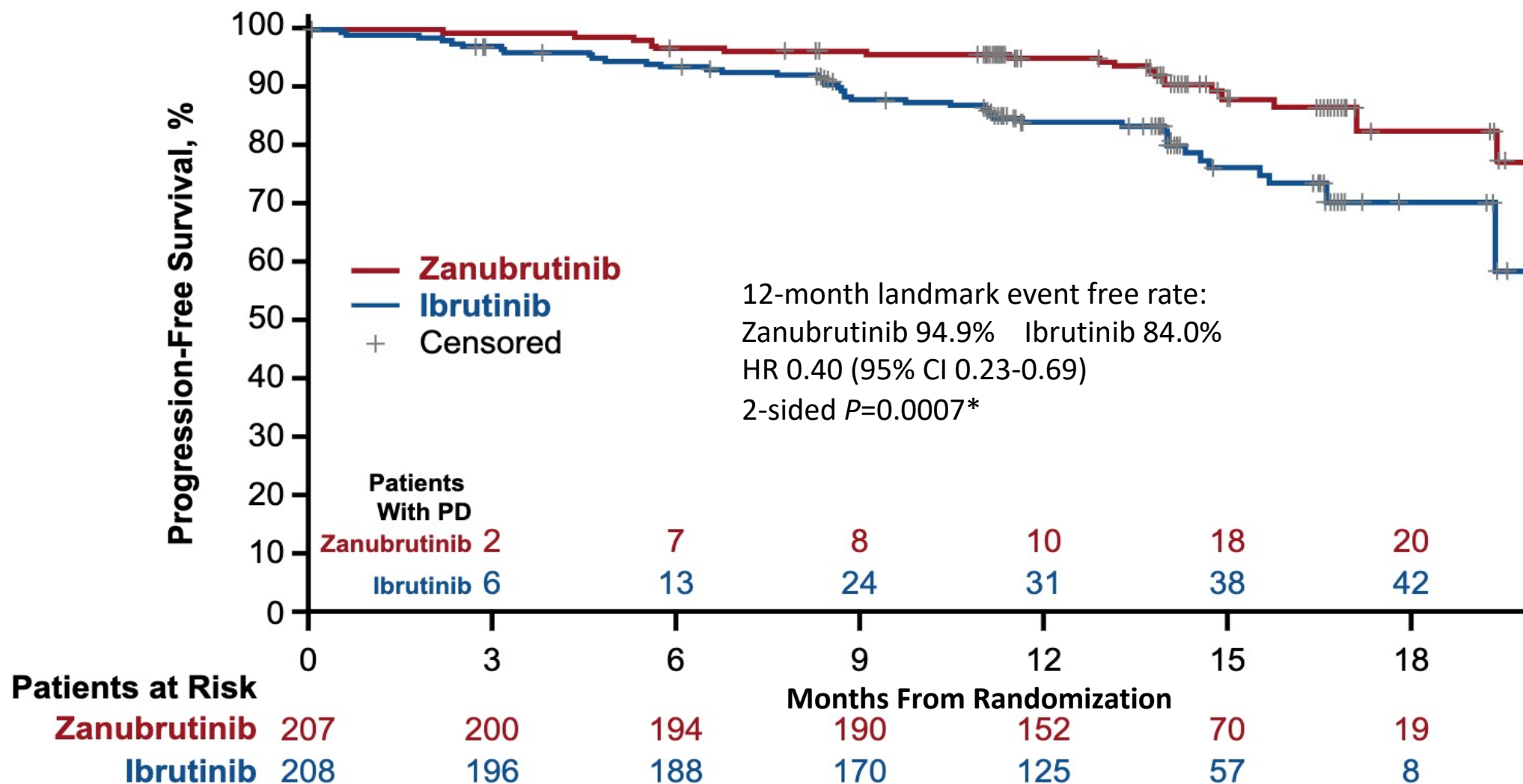
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# ALPINE: Phase 3, Randomized Study of Zanubrutinib vs Ibrutinib in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory CLL or SLL



Hillmen et al, EHA 2021

# PFS by Investigator Assessment



\*Not a prespecified analysis; formal analysis of PFS will be based on all patients when the target number of events are reached.

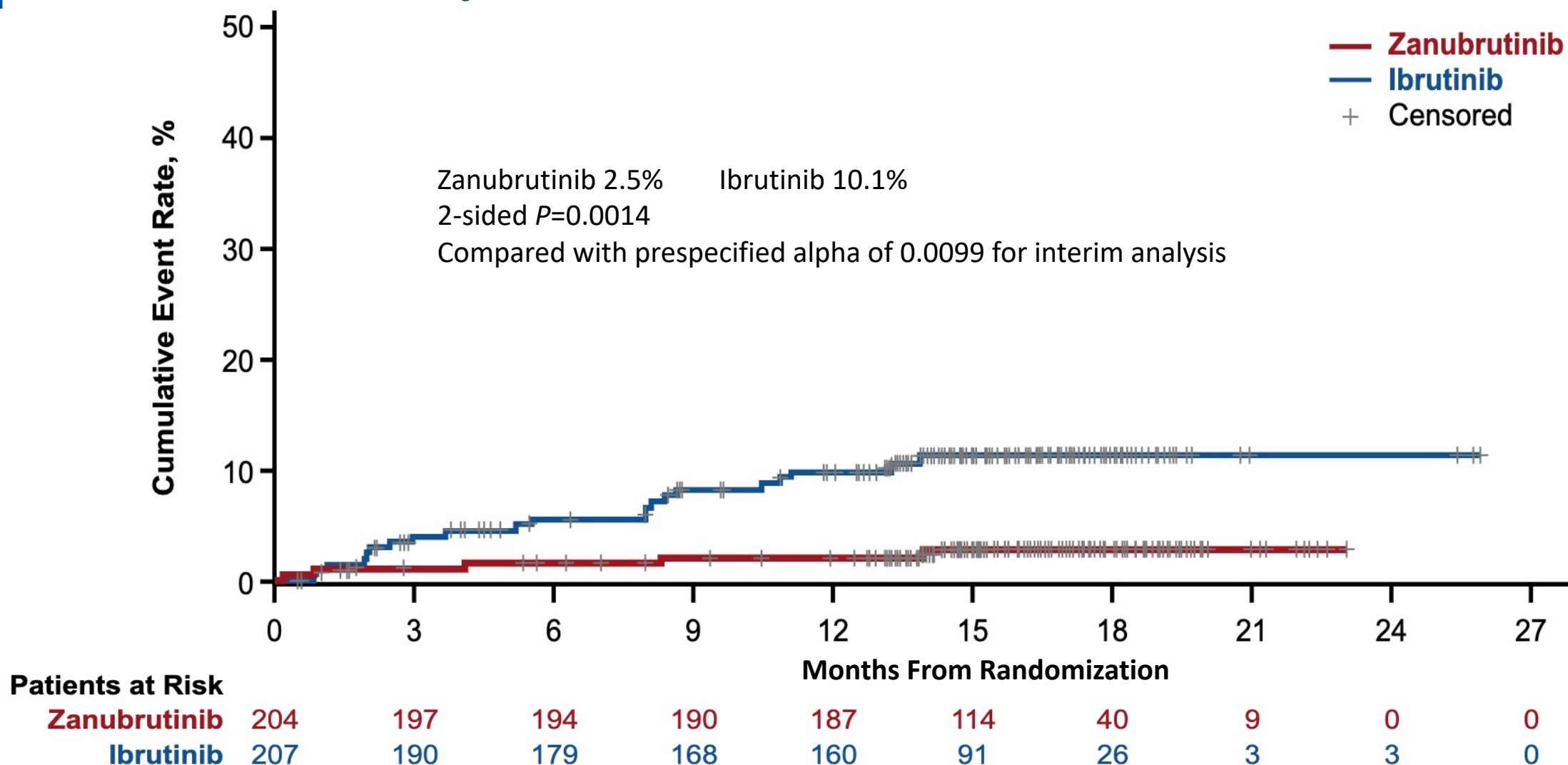
Median PFS follow-up was 14.0 months for both zanubrutinib and ibrutinib arms by reverse KM method.

PFS, progression-free survival.



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VIRTUAL

# Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation BTKi after ibrutinib intolerance

- 83% of patients treated with acalabrutinib after ibrutinib intolerance tolerate acalabrutinib, with 2y PFS of 72%.<sup>1</sup>
- 60% of patients treated with zanubrutinib after ibrutinib intolerance did not have recurrence of the intolerance event and recurrent AEs were of similar or lesser severity, leading to no discontinuations for intolerance.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Rogers et al. *Haematologica* 2021 Vol. 106 No. 9 (2021): September, 2021;

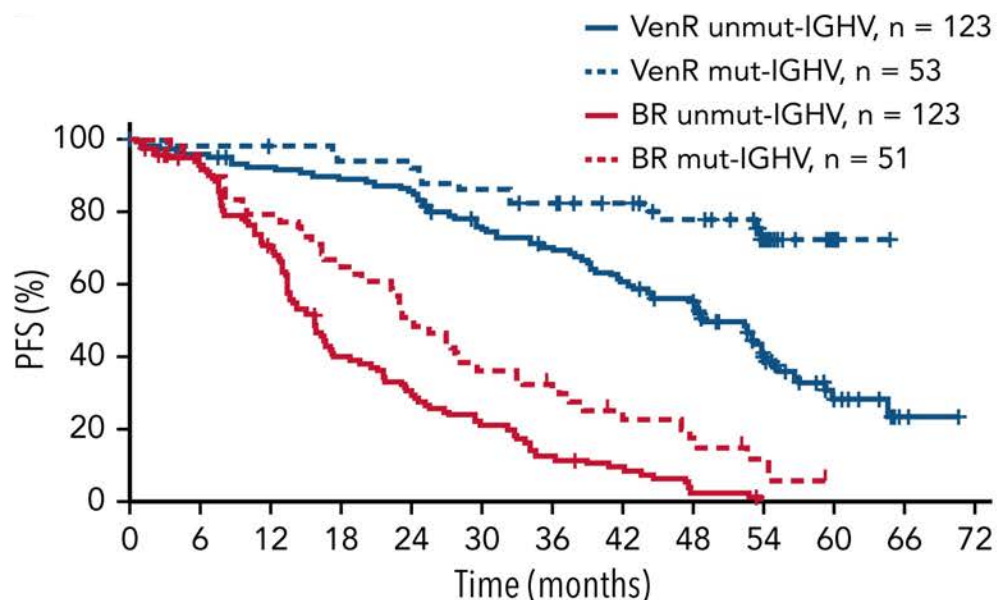
<sup>2</sup>Shadman et al. *Lancet Haematology* 2022

# Summary

- BTK inhibitors are efficacious in R/R CLL.
- Overcome negative prognostic impact of del(11q) and unmutated *IGHV*. Del(17p) remains a high risk feature.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation covalent BTK inhibitors (acalabrutinib and zanubrutinib) have at least equivalent efficacy with more favorable AE profile.



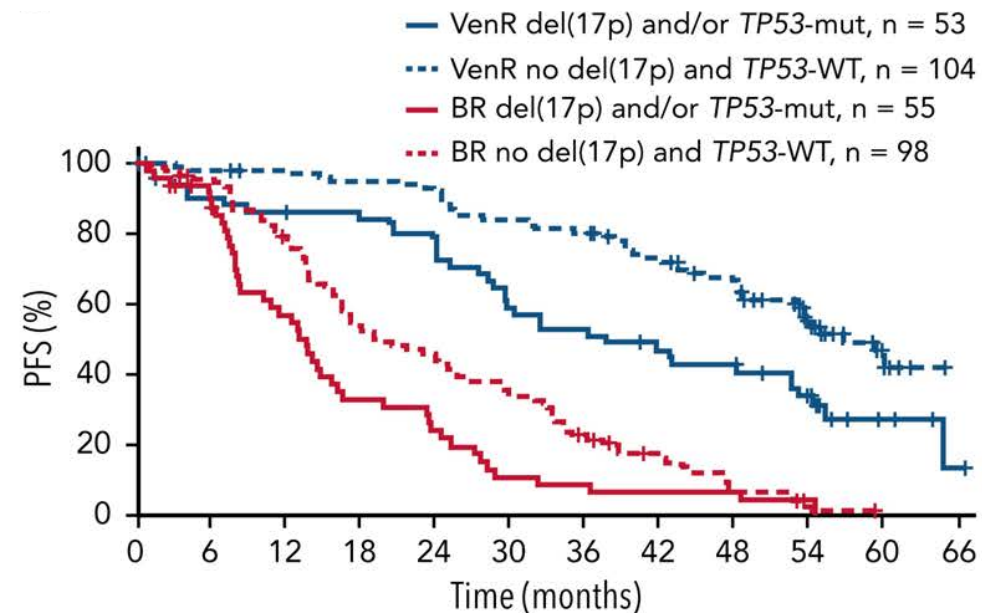
# MURANO: Enduring undetectable MRD and updated outcomes in relapsed/refractory CLL after fixed-duration venetoclax-rituximab



No. of patients at risk

—	123	117	110	107	102	88	81	70	60	33	10	2
- - -	53	52	51	49	48	45	43	39	34	20	3	
—	123	102	76	43	32	23	14	10	3			
- - -	51	45	39	32	25	18	14	9	7	2		

Category		Median PFS, months (95% CI)	HR (95% CI); P value <sup>†</sup>	5-year PFS, % (95% CI)
VenR	unmut-IGHV	52.2 (44.1, 53.8)	2.96 (1.64, 5.34);	28.7 (18.5, 38.9)
	mut-IGHV	NE	.0002	72.7 (59.7, 85.6)
BR	unmut-IGHV	15.7 (13.4, 17.3)	1.79 (1.24, 2.58);	NE
	mut-IGHV	24.2 (18.6, 32.8)	.0015	NE

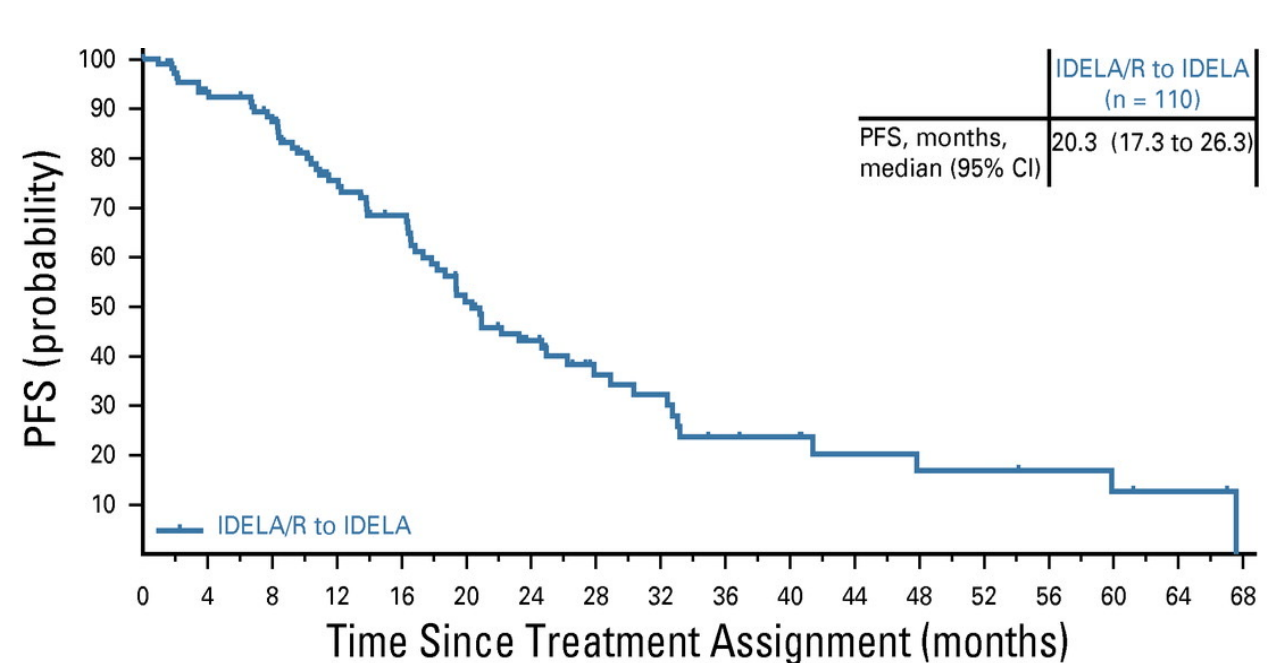


No. of patients at risk

—	53	47	44	43	37	30	27	23	19	12	4	1
- - -	104	102	99	97	94	86	82	71	61	36	7	
—	55	40	26	15	11	5	4	3	3	1		
- - -	98	87	71	48	40	31	19	12	5	1		

Category		Median PFS, months (95% CI)	HR (95% CI); P value <sup>†</sup>	5-year PFS, % (95% CI)
VenR	del(17p) and/or TP53-mut	37.4 (29.4, 52.3)	2.04 (1.32, 3.15);	27.3 (13.6, 41.0)
	No del(17p) and TP53-WT	56.6 (53.0, NE)	.0010	42.5 (28.9, 56.0)
BR	del(17p) and/or TP53-mut	13.4 (8.0, 15.8)	1.67 (1.15, 2.40);	NE
	No del(17p) and TP53-WT	19.6 (16.4, 25.4)	.0059	NE

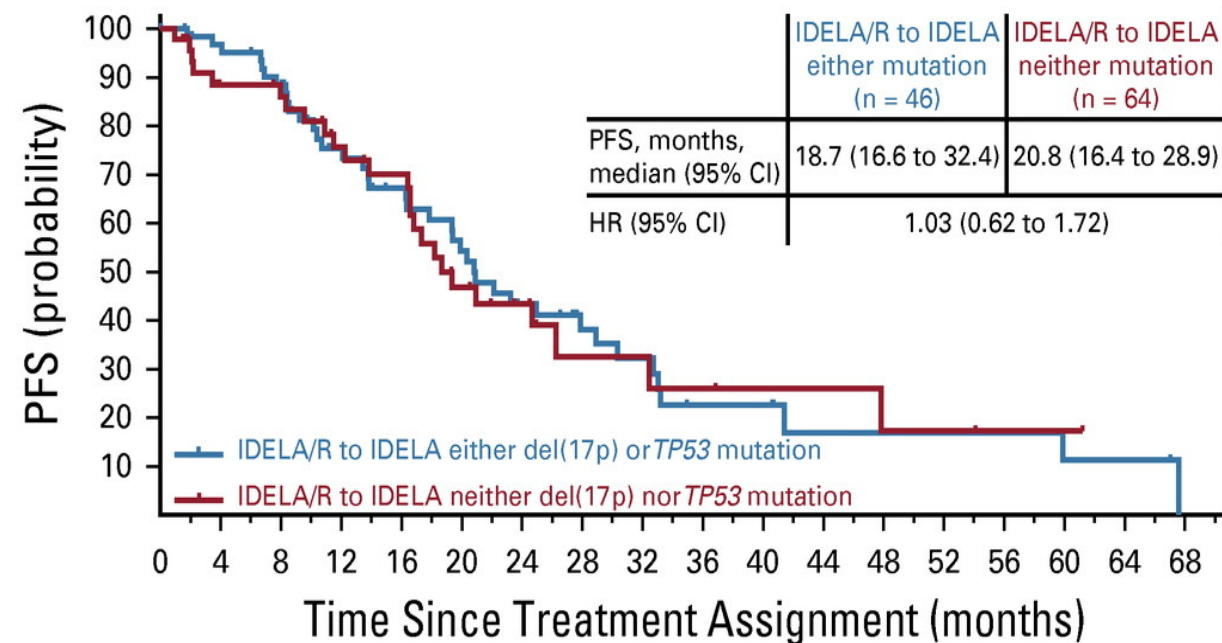
# Idelalisib + Rituximab PFS



No. at risk (No. of events)

IDELA/R to IDELA

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No. at risk (No. of events)

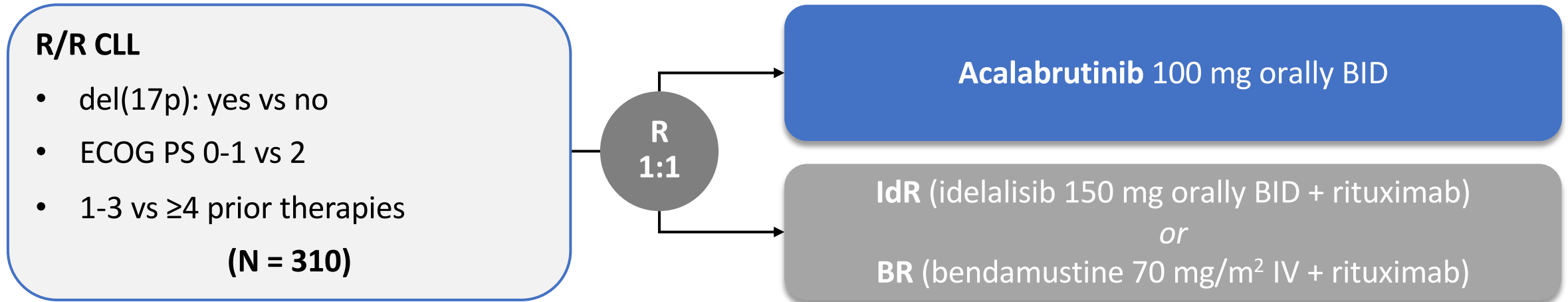
IDELA/R to IDELA either mutation

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IDELA/R to IDELA neither mutation

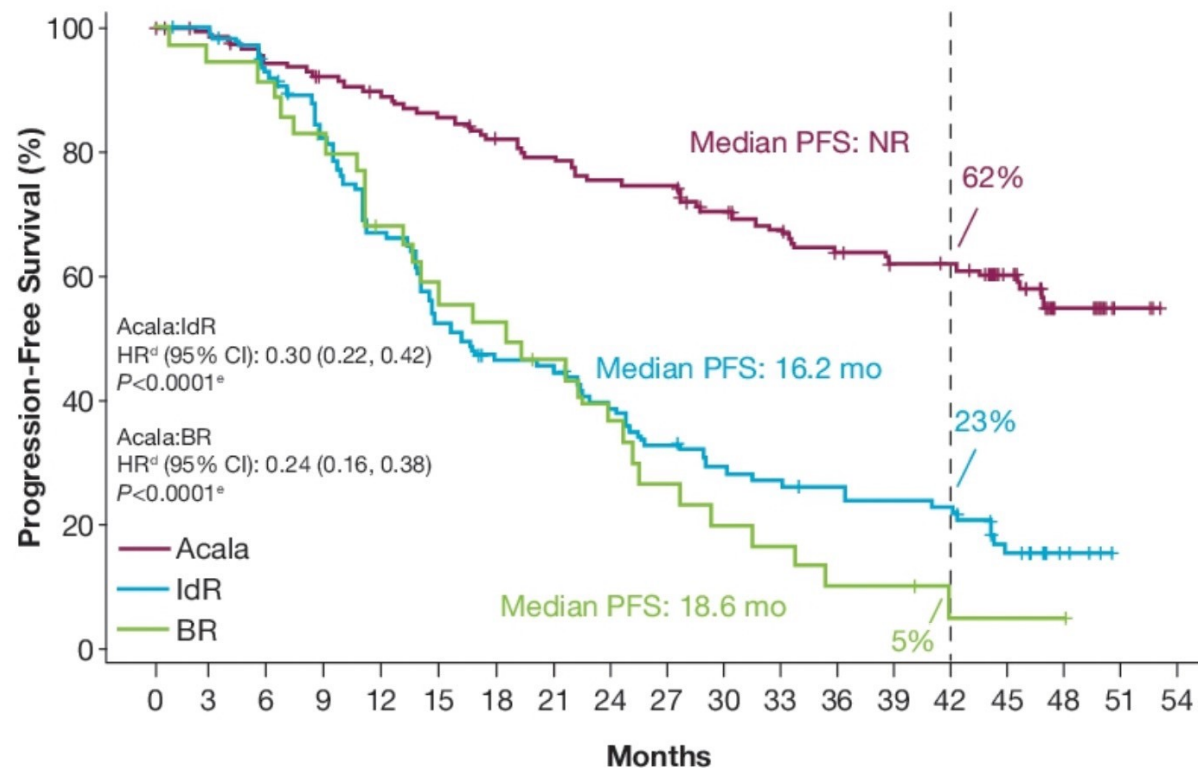
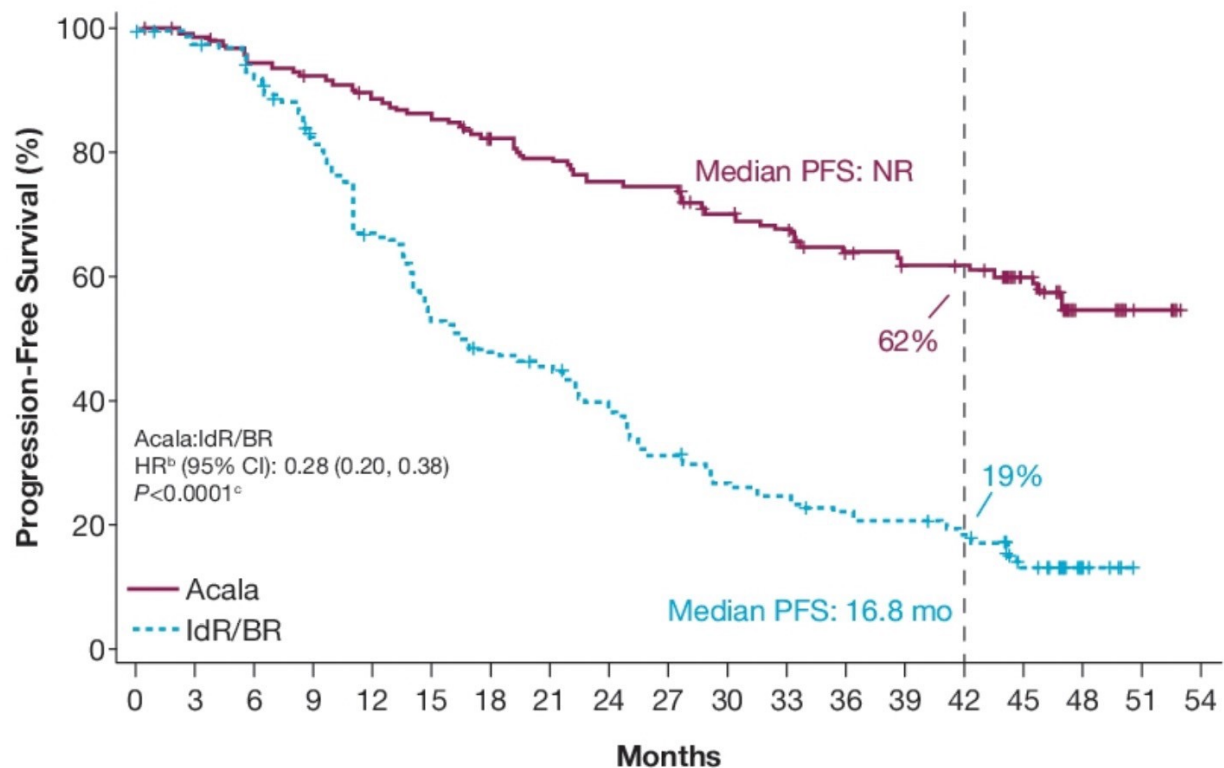
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# Phase 3 ACE-CL-309/ASCEND: Acalabrutinib Versus IdR or BR in R/R CLL<sup>1</sup>



- Crossover from IdR/BR arm allowed after confirmed disease progression
- Interim analysis was planned after occurrence of ~79 PFS events (2/3 of primary event goal)
- **Primary endpoint:** PFS (assessed by IRC)
- **Key secondary endpoints:** ORR (assessed by IRC and investigator), duration of response, PFS (assessed by investigator), OS

# ASCEND: Superior PFS for acalabrutinib



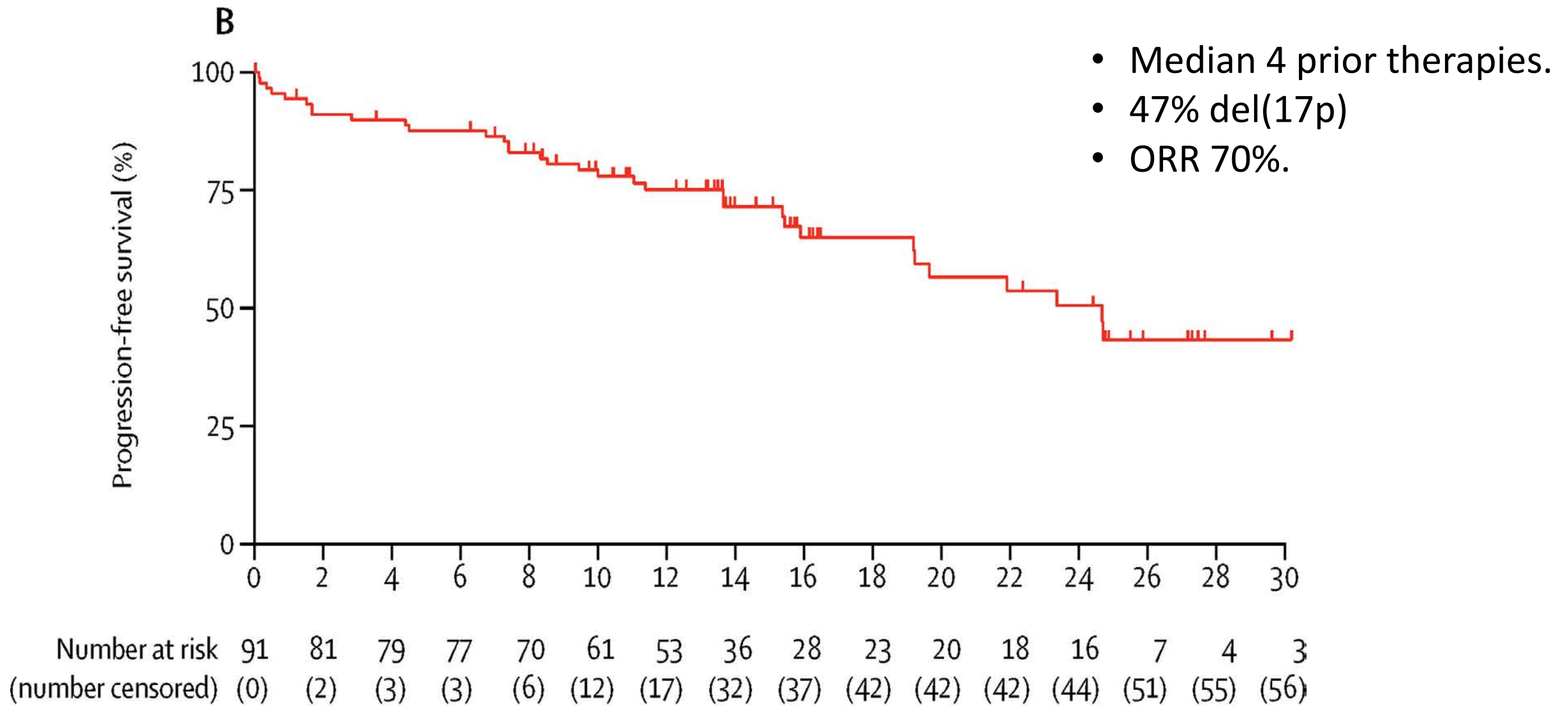
# Summary – PI3K-delta inhibitors

- Idelalisib 150mg BID + rituximab remains approved for R/R CLL.
- Duvelisib withdrawn, umbralisib + ublituximab application for approval withdrawn.
- Tricky to use – close monitoring for immune transaminitis, colitis, opportunistic infections (PJP, CMV).
- Inferior PFS compared to acalabrutinib in head-to-head data.
- May have a role after failure/unavailability of both BTKi + ven, but extremely limited data for efficacy in this setting (and prefer clinical trials for such patients).

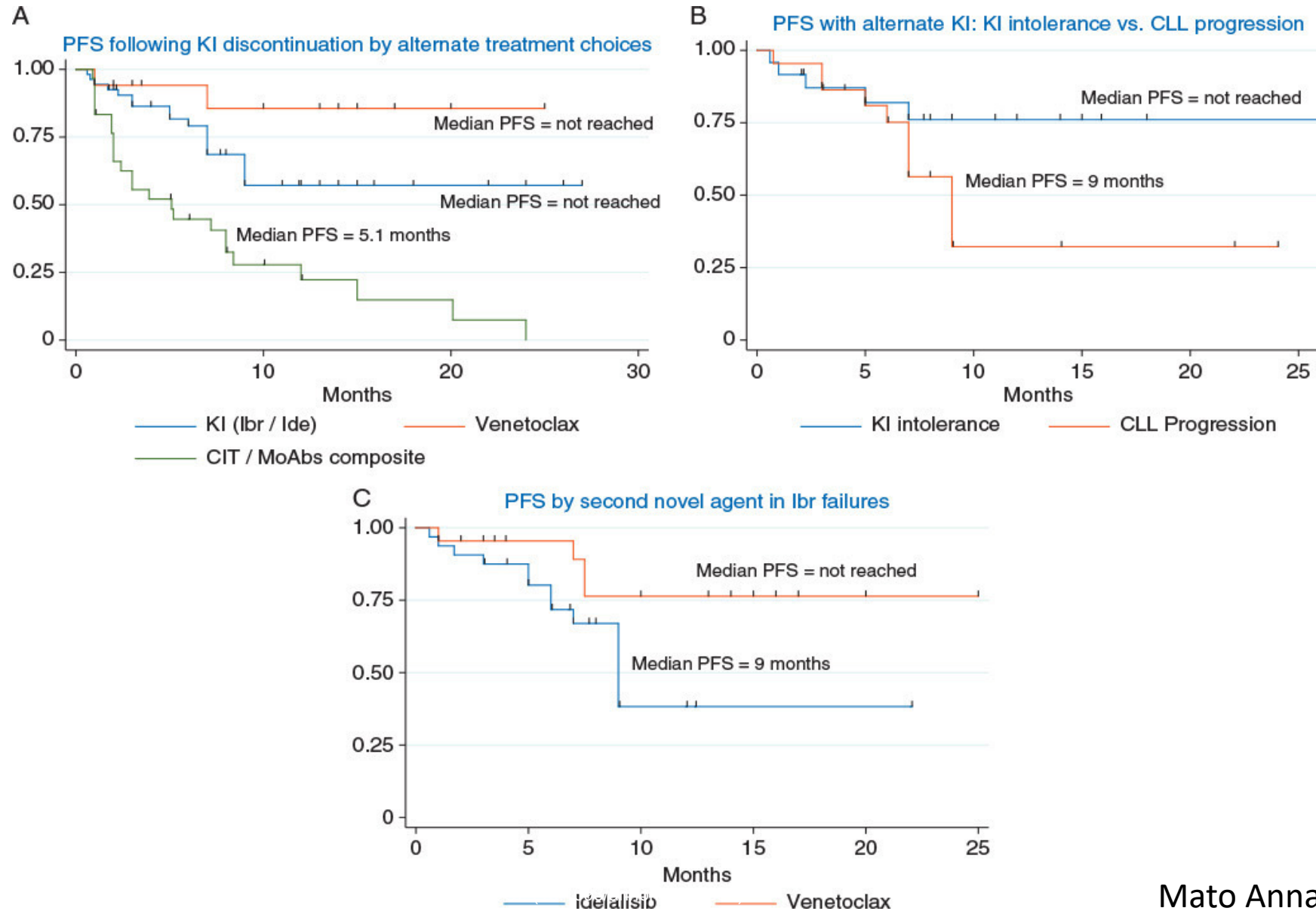
# **Treatment after failure of a targeted agent**



# Venetoclax in ibrutinib refractoriness/intolerance



# Treatment after kinase inhibitor failure – Real World data



# Treatment after time-limited venetoclax

- Venetoclax + Rituximab:
  1. 72% ORR in 32 patients (5.6% CR) with venetoclax re-treatment.
  2. Reasonable option, especially if U-MRD with first venetoclax therapy and long duration of off-treatment remission.
- Ibrutinib treatment after ven-R (n=18) showed 100% ORR.
- After ibrutinib + venetoclax:
  1. 9 patients on CAPTIVATE Fixed duration cohort re-treated with ibrutinib monotherapy. 7 responded, 2 too early.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Seymour et al. *Blood* 2022 <sup>2</sup> Tam *Blood* (2022) 139 (22): 3278–3289)

# Selecting 2<sup>nd</sup> line therapy

- No data based on long term efficacy to decide between BTKi/ven
- Key determinants: what 1L therapy was received; comorbidities and AE profile; desire for time-limited therapy:
  1. Chemoimmunotherapy 1L → BTKi or venetoclax.
  2. Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab 1L → BTKi or venetoclax if prolonged remission and deep initial response (ideally on clinical trial).
  3. BTKi 1L →:
    - Intolerance → trial of alternative BTKi or venetoclax +/- rituximab.
    - Resistance → venetoclax +/- rituximab.

# Double-refractory CLL

- Non-covalent BTKi – pirtobrutinib, nemtabrutinib.
- CAR-T – lisocabtagene ciloleucel. Others.
- Bi-specific antibodies – studies of epcoritamab in CLL/RS and mosunetuzumab

# **Efficacy of Pirtobrutinib, a Highly Selective, Non- Covalent (Reversible) BTK Inhibitor in Richter Transformation: Results from the Phase 1/2 BRUIN Study**

- 57 patients, 50 evaluable.
- Heavily pre-treated. Median 2 prior therapies for RT. Most had had prior covalent BTKi.
- 50 evaluable, 54% ORR (10% CR).
- Median DOR 8.6mo.



# Subcutaneous Epcoritamab in Patients with Richter's Syndrome: Early Results from Phase Ib/2 Trial

- CD3x20 bi-specific antibody.
- Phase I study in CLL R/R CLL.
- 10 patients with Richter's Syndrome (1L therapy for RS in 6/10).
- Manageable toxicity (low-grade CRS in 90%).
- ORR 60%. 50% CR.

# **Module 5: Promising Investigational Agents and Strategies — Dr Roeker**

**Case Presentation: 77-year-old woman with CLL (p53, 11q, 13q mutations) and disease progression on ibrutinib; repeat mutation testing detects a BTK C481S mutation**



**Dr Spencer Bachow (Boca Raton, Florida)**

## Case Presentation: 79-year-old man develops Richter's transformation while receiving obinutuzumab/venetoclax for CLL



**Dr Justin Favaro (Charlotte, North Carolina)**

# Promising Investigational Agents and Strategies

**Lindsey Roeker, MD**

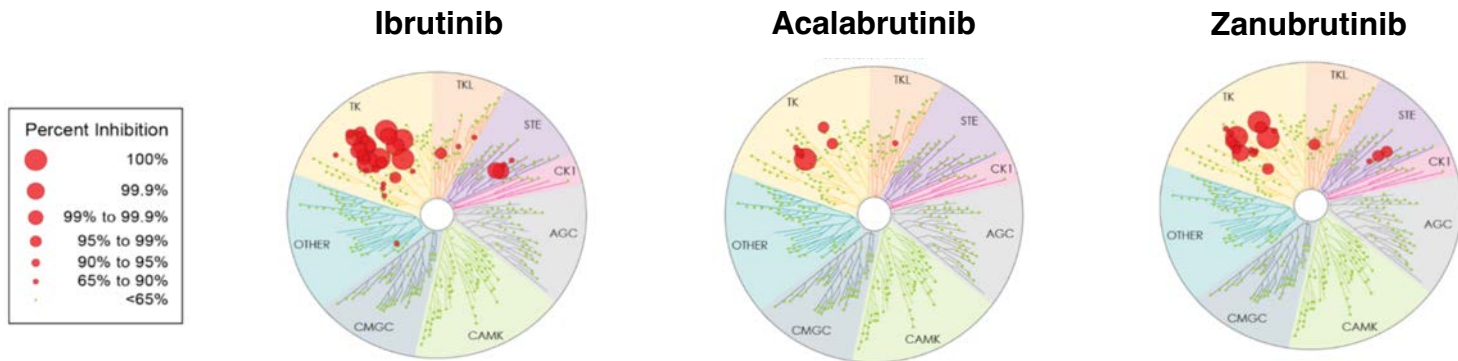
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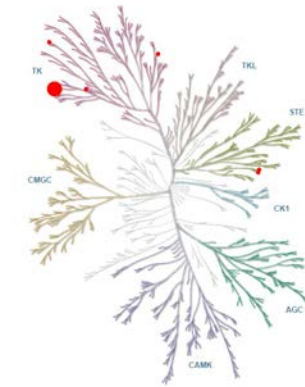
# BTK inhibitors: comparing kinome selectivity and *in vivo* activity

## Covalent



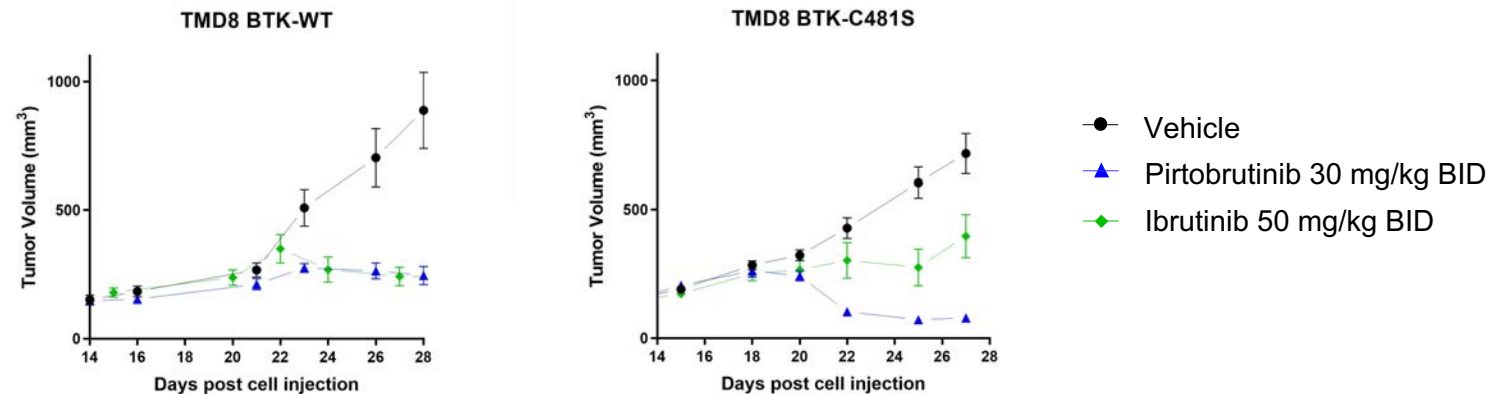
## Non-Covalent

### Pirtobrutinib



## Xenograft models

*In vivo* activity similarly efficacious as ibrutinib in WT; superior in C481S



### Pirtobrutinib

- >300-fold selectivity for BTK vs 370 other kinases
- Favorable pharmacologic properties allow sustained BTK inhibition throughout dosing interval
- Nanomolar potency against WT & C481-mutant BTK in cell and enzyme assays
- Due to reversible binding mode, BTK inhibition not impacted by a high intrinsic rate of BTK turnover

# BRUIN: phase I/II study of Pirtobrutinib

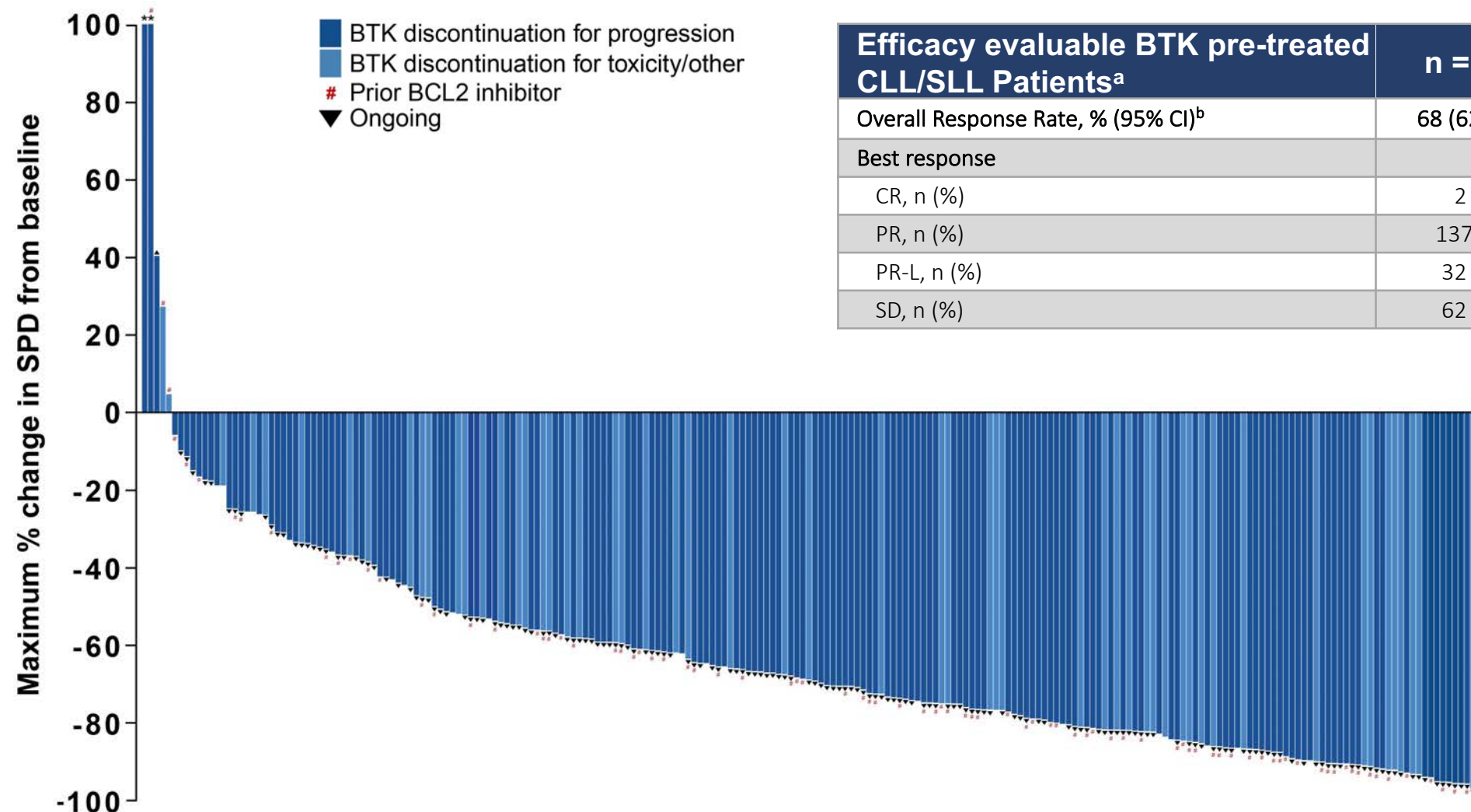
The most recent clinical update focused on CLL/SLL patients previously treated with BTK inhibitor

Characteristics	N = 261
Median age, years (range)	69 (36-88)
Female, n (%)	84 (32)
Male, n (%)	177 (68)
ECOG PS <sup>a</sup> , n (%)	
0	138 (53)
1	104 (40)
2	19 (7)
Median number of prior lines of systemic therapy (range)	3 (1-11)
Prior therapy, n (%)	
BTK inhibitor	261 (100)
Anti-CD20 antibody	230 (88)
Chemotherapy	207 (79)
BCL2 inhibitor	108 (41)
PI3K inhibitor	51 (20)
CAR-T	15 (6)
Stem cell transplant	6 (2)
Allogeneic stem cell transplant	5 (2)
Autologous stem cell transplant	1 (<1)
Reason discontinued prior BTKi, n (%)	
Progressive disease	196 (75)
Toxicity/Other	65 (25)

Baseline Molecular Characteristics	
Mutation status, n (%)	
BTK C481-mutant	89 (43)
BTK C481-wildtype	118 (57)
PLCG2-mutant	33 (16)
High Risk Molecular Features, n (%)	
17p deletion	51 (28)
TP53 mutation	64 (37)
17p deletion or TP53 mutation	77 (36)
Both 17p deletion and TP53 mutation	38 (27)
IGHV unmutated	168 (84)
11q deletion	45 (25)



# Pirtobrutinib efficacy in BTK pre-treated CLL/SLL patients

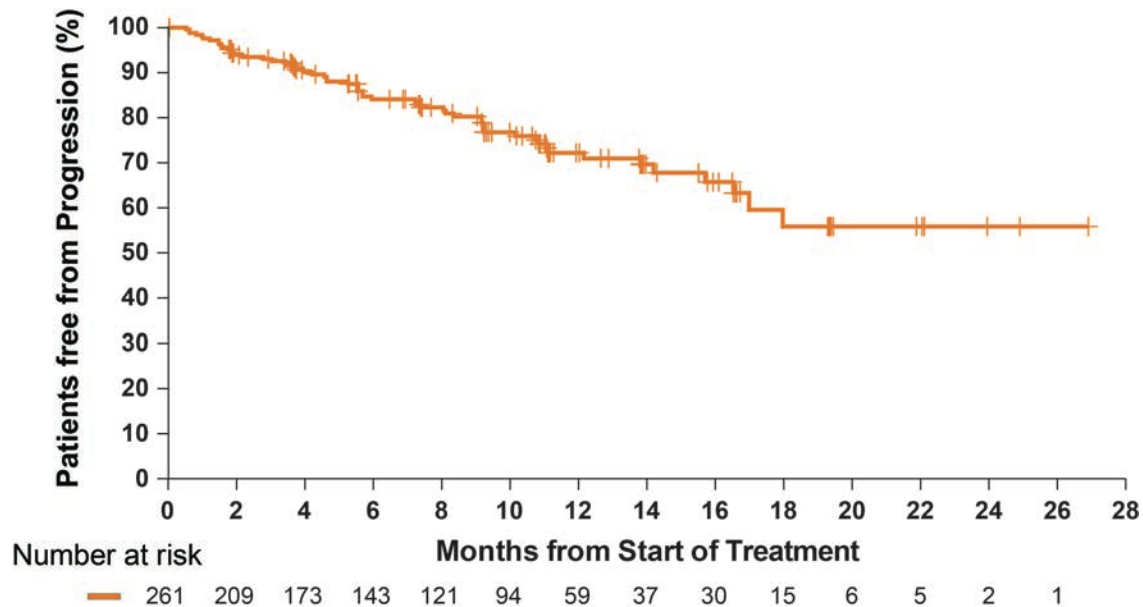


Efficacy evaluable BTK pre-treated CLL/SLL Patients <sup>a</sup>	n = 252
Overall Response Rate, % (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	68 (62 – 74)
Best response	
CR, n (%)	2 (1)
PR, n (%)	137 (54)
PR-L, n (%)	32 (13)
SD, n (%)	62 (25)

# Progression-free survival in BTK pre-treated CLL/SLL patients

## PFS in at least BTK pre-treated patients

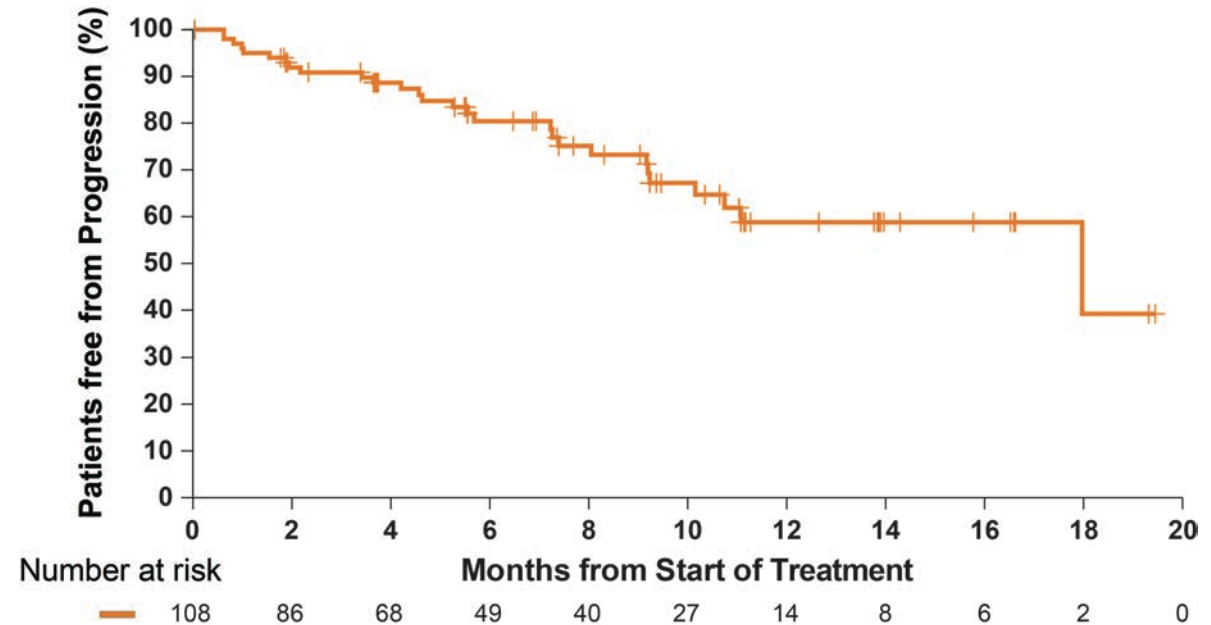
Median prior lines = 3



Median PFS: Not Estimable (95% CI: 17.0 months – Not Estimable)

## PFS in at least BTK and BCL2 pre-treated patients

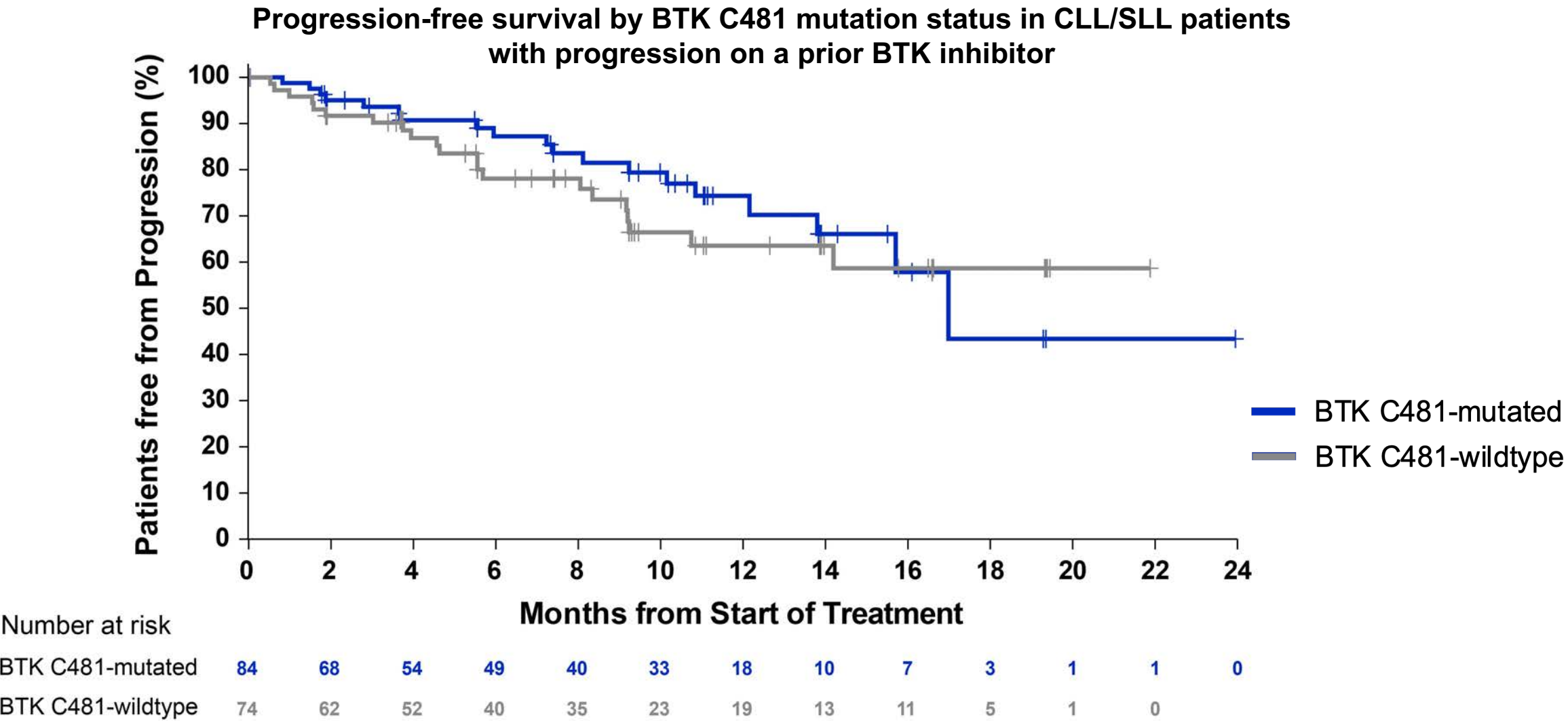
Median prior lines = 5



Median PFS: 18 months (95% CI: 10.7 months – Not Estimable)

- 74% (194/261) of BTK pre-treated patients remain on pirtobrutinib
- Median follow-up of 9.4 months (range, 0.3 – 27.4) for all BTK pre-treated patients

# BTK C481 mutation status is not predictive of Pirtobrutinib benefit



Mato A, et al. *Blood*. 2021;136(Supplement 1):35-37; Mato AR et al. EHA 2022; Abstract S147.

# Pirtobrutinib safety profile

All doses and patients (n=618)							
Adverse Event	Treatment-emergent AEs, (≥15%), %					Treatment-related AEs, %	
	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Any Grade	Grades 3/4	Any Grade
Fatigue	13%	8%	1%	-	23%	1%	9%
Diarrhea	15%	4%	<1%	<1%	19%	<1%	8%
Neutropenia	1%	2%	8%	6%	18%	8%	10%
Contusion	15%	2%	-	-	17%	-	12%
AEs of special interest							
Bruising	20%	2%	-	-	22%	-	15%
Rash	9%	2%	<1%	-	11%	<1%	5%
Arthralgia	8%	3%	<1%	-	11%	-	3%
Hemorrhage	5%	2%	1% <sup>g</sup>	-	8%	<1%	2%
Hypertension	1%	4%	2%	-	7%	<1%	2%
Atrial fibrillation/flutter	-	1%	<1%	<1%	2% <sup>h</sup>	-	<1%

**No DLTs reported and MTD not reached**

**96% of patients received ≥1 pirtobrutinib dose at or above RP2D of 200 mg daily**

**1% (n=6) of patients permanently discontinued due to treatment-related AEs**

# ASH 2022: Pirtobrutinib in CLL

Saturday, 4:00 – 5:30 PM

347 (Oral). Efficacy of Pirtobrutinib, a Highly Selective, Non-Covalent (Reversible) BTK Inhibitor in Richter Transformation: Results from the Phase 1/2 BRUIN Study

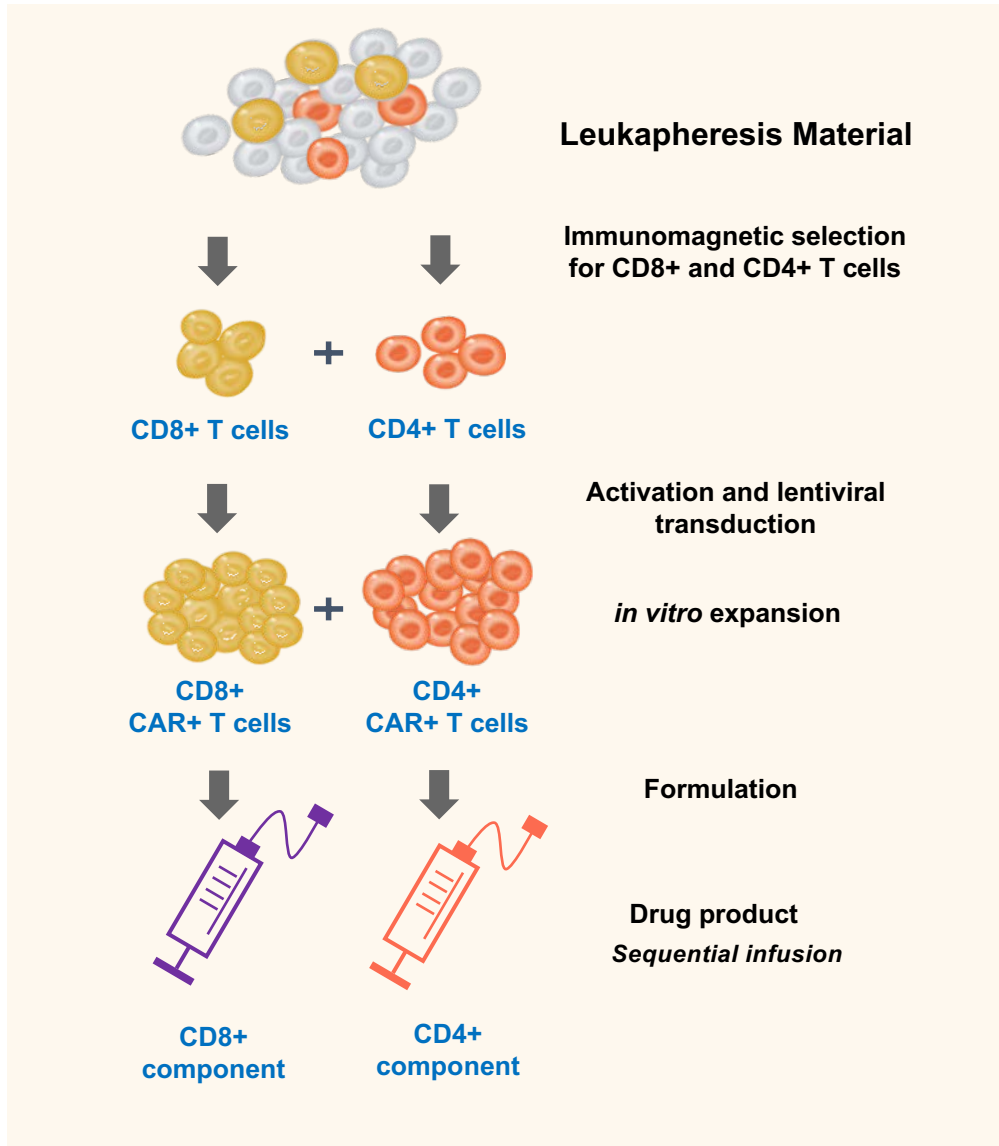
Saturday, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

1797 (Poster). Safety and Tolerability of Pirtobrutinib Monotherapy in Patients with B-Cell Malignancies Who Were Previously Intolerant to a Covalent BTK Inhibitor: Results from the Phase 1/2 BRUIN Study

Monday, 4:30 – 6:30 PM

961 (Oral). Efficacy of Pirtobrutinib in Covalent BTK-Inhibitor Pre-Treated Relapsed / Refractory CLL/SLL: Additional Patients and Extended Follow-up from the Phase 1/2 BRUIN Study

# TRANSCEND CLL 004: Liso-Cel in CLL



## *CD19-Directed, Defined Composition, 4-1BB CAR T Cell Product*

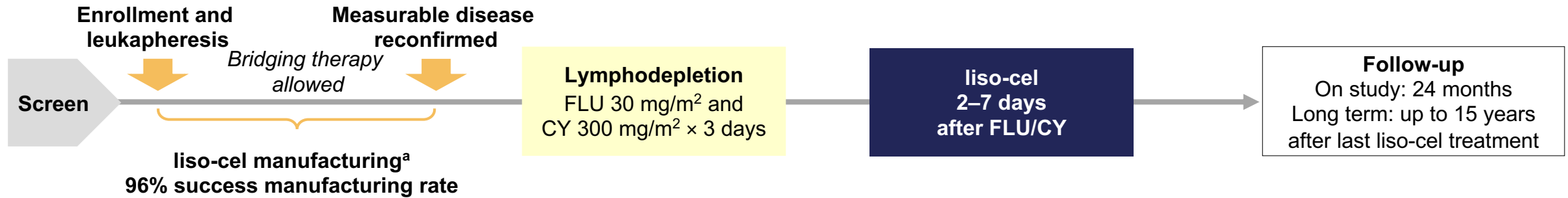
**CD8+ and CD4+ CAR+ T cell components are administered separately at equal target doses of CD8+ and CD4+ CAR+ T cells**

The defined composition of liso-cel results in:

- Consistent administered CD8+ and CD4+ CAR+ T cell dose
- Low variability in the CD8+/CD4+ ratio

Dose and ratio of CD8+ and CD4+ CAR+ T cells may influence the incidence and severity of CRS and neurological events

# TRANSCEND CLL 004 Study Design



## Key Eligibility

- Relapsed/refractory CLL/SLL
- Failed or ineligible for BTKi<sup>b</sup>
- High-risk disease<sup>c</sup>: failed ≥2 prior therapies
- Standard-risk disease: failed ≥3 prior therapies
- ECOG PS of 0–1

## Dose Escalation: mTPI-2 Design<sup>d</sup>

28-day DLT period

### Primary Objectives

- Safety
- Determine recommended dose

### Exploratory Objectives

- Antitumor activity
- Pharmacokinetic profile

Dose Level	Dose	Evaluable (N=23)
1	50 × 10 <sup>6</sup> CAR+ T cells	9
2	100 × 10 <sup>6</sup> CAR+ T cells	14

ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT03331198.

<sup>a</sup>One patient received nonconforming product. <sup>b</sup>Failure defined as SD or PD as best response, or PD after previous response, or discontinuation due to intolerance (unmanageable toxicity). Ineligibility defined as requirement for full-dose anticoagulation or history of arrhythmia. <sup>c</sup>Complex cytogenetic abnormalities, del(17p), TP53 mutation, or unmutated IGHV. <sup>d</sup>Guo W, et al. *Contemp Clin Trials*. 2017;58:23-33. BTKi, Bruton tyrosine kinase inhibitor; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CY, cyclophosphamide; DLT, dose-limiting toxicity; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; FLU, fludarabine; IGHV, immunoglobulin heavy-chain variable region; mTPI, modified toxicity probability interval for dose escalation; PD, progressive disease; SD, stable disease; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma.



# Baseline Characteristics

	All Patients (N=23)	Failed BTKi and Venetoclax (n=9)
Age, years, median (range)	66 (49–79)	68 (59–76)
Male, n (%)	11 (48)	4 (44)
Time from diagnosis, months, median (range)	87.5 (30–209)	145 (30–209)
Bulky disease >5 cm, n (%) <sup>a</sup>	8 (35)	4 (44)
BALL risk score, <sup>1</sup> median (range)	2 (0–3)	2 (0–3)
SPD, cm <sup>2</sup> , median (range)	25 (2–197)	46 (2–197)
LDH, U/L, median (range)	243 (119–634)	245 (119–634)
Received bridging therapy, n (%)	17 (74)	7 (78)
Stage, n (%)		
Rai stage III/IV	15 (65)	7 (78)
Binet stage C	16 (70)	7 (78)
High-risk features (any), n (%)	19 (83)	8 (89)
Del(17p)	8 (35)	2 (22)
TP53 mutation	14 (61)	6 (67)
Complex karyotype <sup>b</sup>	11 (48)	3 (33)
Lines of prior therapy, median (range)	5 (2–11)	6 (5–10)
Prior ibrutinib, n (%)	23 (100)	9 (100)
Ibrutinib refractory/relapsed, n (%)	21 (91)	9 (100)
BTKi progression and failed venetoclax, <sup>c</sup> n (%)	9 (39)	9 (100)

# Treatment emergent AEs ( $\geq 20\%$ all grades)

	Any grade	Grade $\geq 3$		
	Total (n = 23)	Total (n = 23)	Dose level 1 (n = 9)	Dose level 2 (n = 14)
Patients with any TEAE	23 (100)	22 (96)	8 (89)	14 (100)
Anemia	19 (83)	17 (74)	6 (67)	11 (79)
Cytokine release syndrome	17 (74)	2 (9)	0	2 (14)
Thrombocytopenia	17 (74)	16 (70)	4 (44)	12 (86)
Neutropenia/Neutrophil count decrease	16 (70)	16 (70)	5 (56)	11 (79)
Leukopenia	11 (48)	10 (43)	4 (44)	6 (43)
Pyrexia	10 (43)	0	0	0
Hypokalemia	9 (39)	0	0	0
Diarrhea	8 (35)	0	0	0
Hypophosphatemia	8 (35)	5 (22)	0	5 (36)
Nausea	8 (35)	0	0	0
Chills	7 (30)	0	0	0
Headache	7 (30)	0	0	0
Tremor	7 (30)	0	0	0
Acute kidney injury	6 (26)	1 (4)	1 (11)	0
Decreased appetite	6 (26)	0	0	0
Febrile neutropenia	6 (26)	6 (26)	0	6 (43)
Hypomagnesemia	6 (26)	0	0	0
Hyponatremia	6 (26)	0	0	0
Lymphopenia	6 (26)	6 (26)	2 (22)	4 (29)
Confusional state	5 (22)	2 (9)	0	2 (14)
Encephalopathy	5 (22)	4 (17)	1 (11)	3 (21)
Hypogammaglobulinemia	5 (22)	0	0	0
Insomnia	5 (22)	0	0	0

DLTs occurred in 2 patients receiving liso-cel at DL2

- Patient 1: grade 4 hypertension
- Patient 2: grade 3 encephalopathy, grade 3 muscle weakness, and grade 4 TLS

Nine deaths occurred

- 7 due to PD
- 1 patient with pneumonia, respiratory failure (2.5 mo after liso-cel)
- 1 patient with septic shock (>90 days after liso-cell)
- No deaths within 30 days of liso-cel administration

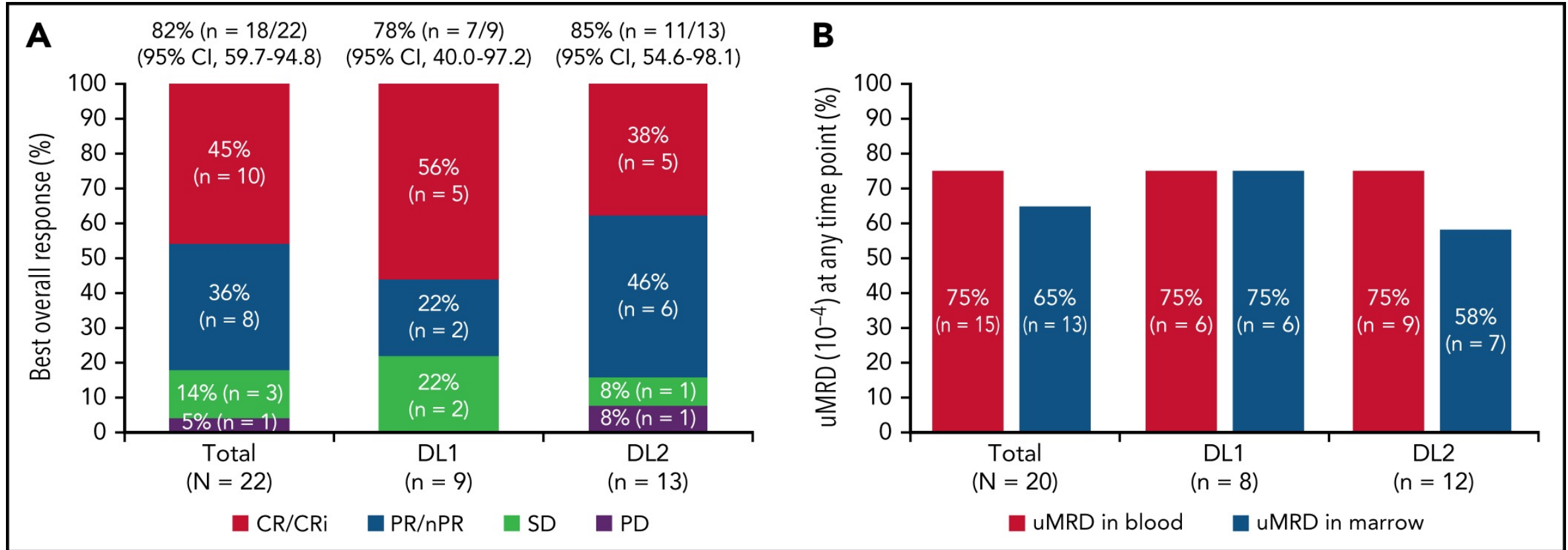
# CRS and neurologic events

	All Patients (N=23)	Dose level 1 (n = 9)	Dose level 2 (n = 14)
<b>CRS—any grade, n (%)</b>	17 (74)	7 (78)	10 (71)
Median time to onset, days (range)	3 (1-10)	7 (1-10)	2 (1-10)
Median time to resolution, days (range)	12 (2-50)	6 (2-30)	12.5 (2-50)
Grade 3, n (%)	2 (9)	0	2 (14)
<b>NE<sup>a</sup>—any grade, n (%)</b>	9 (39)	2 (22)	7 (50)
Median time to onset, days (range)	4 (2-21)	16 (11-21)	4 (2-11)
Median time to resolution, days (range)	20.5 (6-50)	8.5 (6-11)	29.5 (9-50)
Grade ≥3, <sup>a</sup> n (%)	5 (22)	2 (22)	3 (21)
<b>Any CRS or NE, n (%)</b>	18 (78)	7 (78)	11 (79)
<b>CRS only, n (%)</b>	9 (39)	5 (56)	4 (29)
<b>NE only, n (%)</b>	1 (4)	0	1 (7)
<b>Tocilizumab and/or steroid use</b>			
Tocilizumab only	6 (26)	3 (33)	3 (21)
Corticosteroids only	1 (4)	0	1 (7)
Both tocilizumab and corticosteroids	8 (35)	2 (22)	6 (43)
Tocilizumab and/or corticosteroids	15 (65)	5 (56)	10 (71)

# Best overall response and undetectable MRD

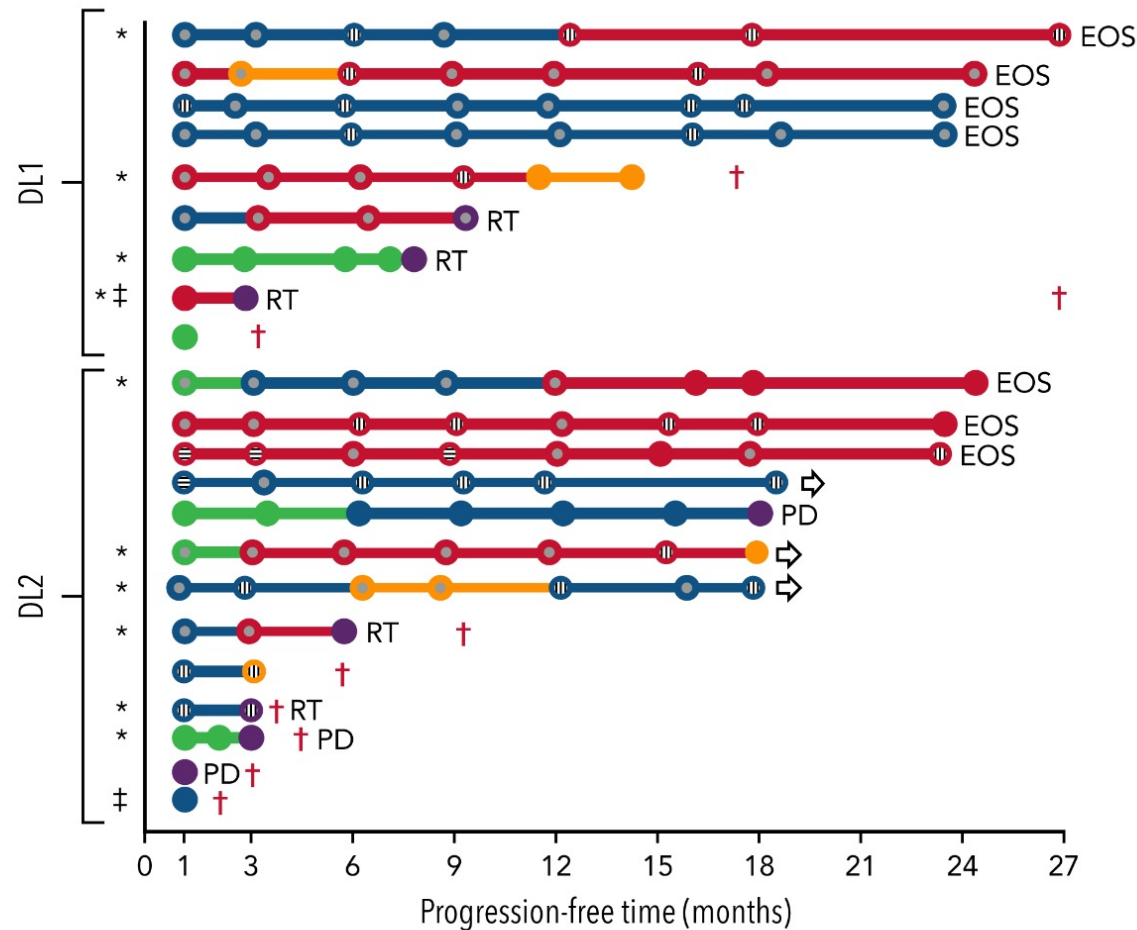
Best Overall Response (n = 22 evaluable for efficacy)

uMRD (n = 20 evaluable for MRD)

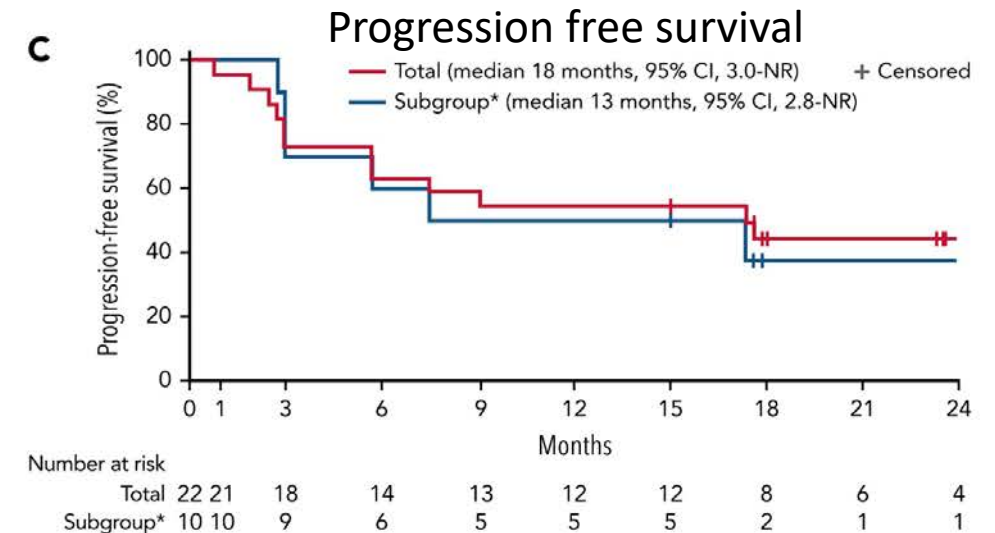
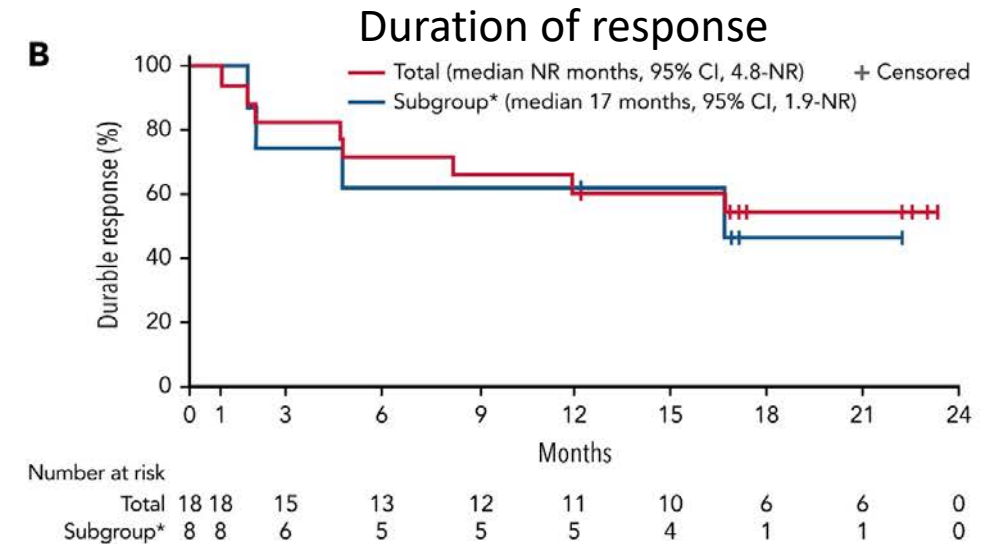


Median follow up = 24 months

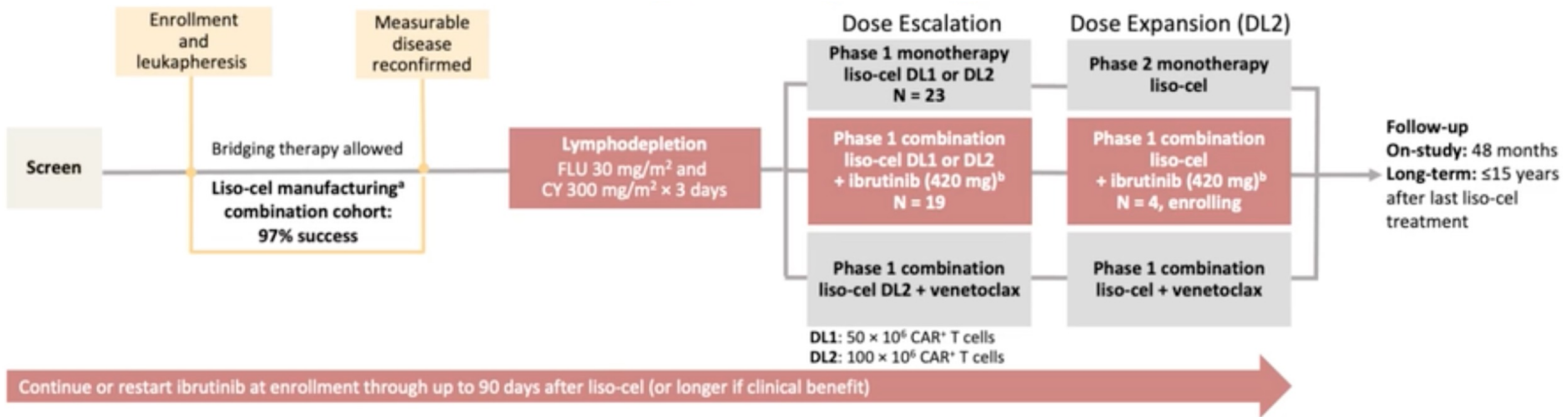
# Individual patient efficacy, duration of response, and progression free survival



Investigator ■ CR/CRi ■ PR ■ SD ■ PD ■ ND/unk † Death ↔ Ongoing  
 response ① uMRD-blood ② uMRD-blood + bone ③ uMRD-bone marrow



# TRANSCEND CLL 004: Liso-cel + Ibrutinib



Patients were eligible if they had 1 or more:

- received ibrutinib and progressed at time of study enrollment
- high-risk features and received ibrutinib for ≥6 months with less than a complete response
- *BTK* or *PLCγ2* gene mutation, with or without progression on ibrutinib
- received prior ibrutinib with no contraindication to reinitiating ibrutinib

Baseline Characteristics	N = 23
<b>Age, median (range)</b>	61 (50 – 77)
<b>High risk features</b>	
del17p	9 (39%)
TP53 mutation	8 (35%)
complex karyotype	10 (43%)
<b>Prior lines of therapy, median (range)</b>	4 (1-10)
Ibrutinib refractory	23 (100%)
Venetoclax refractory	12 (53%)



# Liso-cel + Ibrutinib Safety

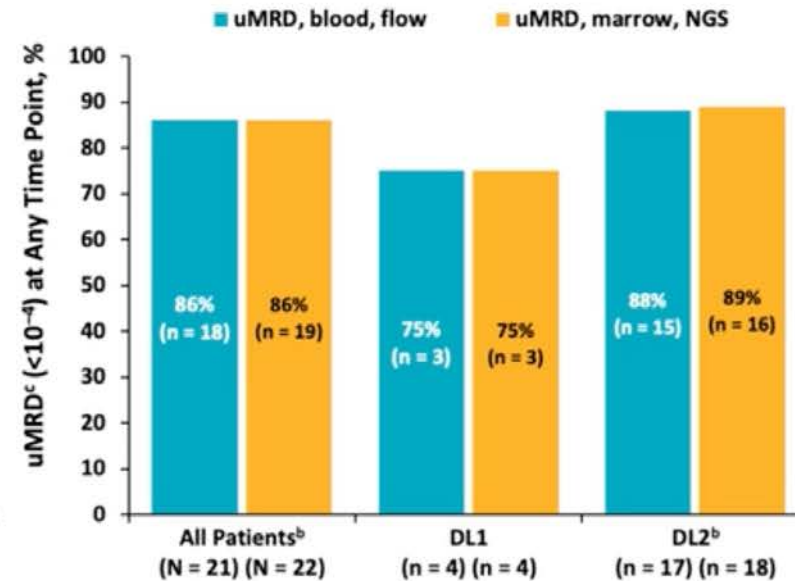
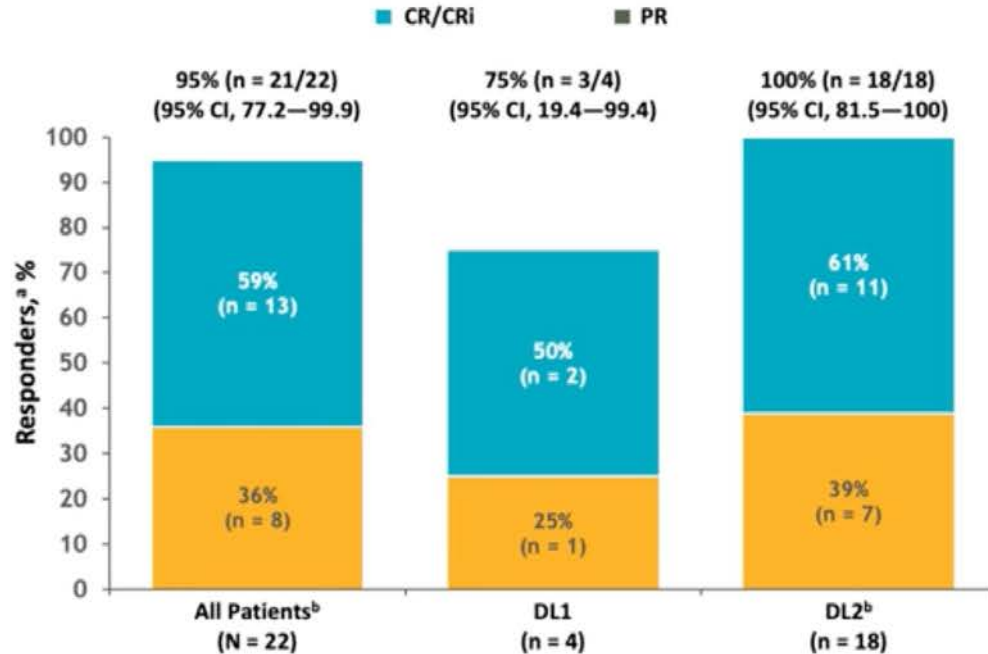
- The combination of liso-cel and ibrutinib was well tolerated, with no reported dose-limiting toxicities
- No grade 5 AEs or grade 4 or 5 cytokine release syndrome (CRS) or neurological events (NE) were reported

Parameter	All Patients (N = 23)	DL1 + Ibrutinib (n = 4)	DL2 + Ibrutinib (n = 19)
<b>Common grade 3/4 treatment-emergent AEs (TEAEs), n (%)</b>	22 (96)	4 (100)	18 (95)
Neutropenia/neutrophil count decrease	20 (87)	3 (75)	17 (89)
Anemia	10 (43)	3 (75)	7 (37)
Febrile neutropenia	7 (30)	1 (25)	6 (32)
<b>CRS<sup>a</sup></b>			
All-grade CRS, n (%)	18 (78)	4 (100)	14 (74)
Median time to CRS onset, days (range)	7 (1–13)	8 (6–13)	6.5 (1–11)
Median duration of CRS, days (range)	5.5 (3–13)	6.5 (4–7)	5 (3–13)
Grades 1–2 CRS, n (%)	17 (74)	3 (75)	14 (74)
Grade 3 CRS, n (%)	1 (4)	1 (25)	0
<b>NEs</b>			
All-grade NEs, n (%)	7 (30)	2 (50)	5 (26)
Median time to NE onset, days (range)	9 (5–13)	9 (6–12)	9 (5–13)
Median duration of NE, days (range)	7 (1–10)	8 (8–8)	6 (1–10)
Grades 1–2 NEs, n (%)	3 (13)	2 (50)	1 (5)
Grade 3 NEs, <sup>b</sup> n (%)	4 (17)	0	4 (21)
<b>Management of CRS and/or NEs, n (%)</b>			
Tocilizumab only	3 (13)	0	3 (16)
Corticosteroids only	3 (13)	2 (50)	1 (5)
Tocilizumab and corticosteroids	5 (22)	1 (25)	4 (21)

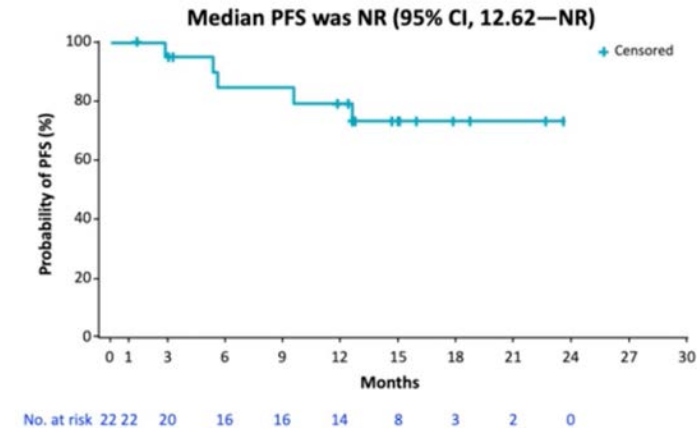


# Liso-cel + Ibrutinib Efficacy

## Best Objective Response by iwCLL and uMRD ( $<10^{-4}$ )



## Progression Free Survival Median follow up = 17 months



- No patients had PD during the first month after liso-cel
- One patient at DL1 had SD for 6 months but later progressed

# ZUMA-8: To be presented at ASH 2022

(Sunday, 6 – 8 PM, abstract 3319)

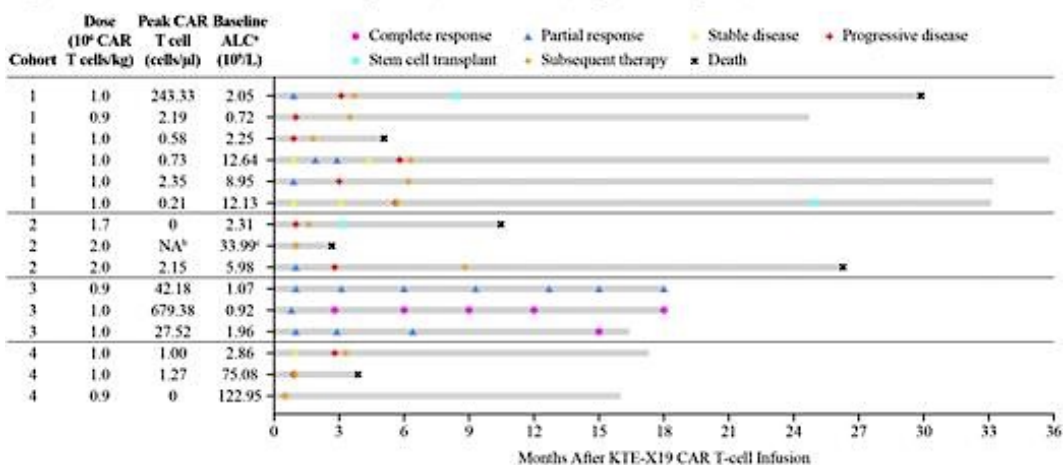
## Study Design:

- Brexucabtagene autoleucel: CD-19 Autologous CAR T-cell
- Patients with relapsed/refractory CLL
  - $\geq 2$  prior lines of therapy
  - Including a BTK inhibitor
- Conditioning: Fludarabine / Cyclophosphamide
- 2 dose levels
  - DL1:  $1 \times 10^6$  CAR T cells/kg
  - DL2:  $2 \times 10^6$  CAR T cells/kg

Table: ZUMA-8 Patient Characteristics and AE Summary.

	Cohort 1 (low dose) n=6	Cohort 2 (high dose) n=3	Cohort 3 (low tumor burden) n=3	Cohort 4 (post ibrutinib) n=3	Overall N=15
Median follow-up duration, months (range)	35.8 (33.6–40.4)	30.3 (29.9–30.6)	18.2 (18.2–18.4)	17.05 (15.5–17.9)	30.3 (15.5–40.4)
<b>Baseline Characteristics</b>					
Median age, years (range)	60.5 (53–68)	61.0 (52–63)	69.0 (56–79)	67.0 (53–70)	63.0 (52–79)
Male, n (%)	3 (50)	2 (67)	3 (100)	2 (67)	10 (67)
ECOG PS 1, n (%)	4 (67)	1 (33)	1 (33)	2 (67)	8 (53)
>3 prior therapy lines, n (%)	6 (100)	3 (100)	1 (33)	2 (67)	12 (80)
17p deletion, n (%)	1 (17)	1 (33)	0	2 (67)	4 (27)
Complex karyotype, n (%) <sup>a</sup>	3 (50)	3 (100)	1 (33)	0	7 (47)
Median tumor burden, mm <sup>3</sup> (range)	7,026.0 (464.0–26,688.3)	7,458.1 (2,140.4–9,715.0)	625.0 (614.0–2,472.0)	1,434.0 (786.0–2,308.5)	2,308.50 (464.0–26,688.3)
Median CLL lymphocytes in bone marrow aspirate, % (range) <sup>b</sup>	75.0 (0.1–93.5)	86.4 (16.0–97.0)	30.0 (5.0–40.0)	91.0 (33.0–96.0)	75.0 (0.1–97.0)
<b>AE Summary</b>					
Grade $\geq 3$ AE, n (%)					
Any	6 (100)	3 (100)	3 (100)	3 (100)	15 (100)
Treatment related	4 (67)	2 (67)	2 (67)	1 (33)	9 (60)
CRS					
Any	5 (83)	2 (67)	3 (100)	2 (67)	12 (80)
Grade $\geq 3$	0	0	1 (33)	0	1 (7)
NE					
Any	6 (100)	1 (33)	3 (100)	1 (33)	11 (73)
Grade $\geq 3$	2 (33)	0	1 (33)	0	3 (20)

Figure: Patient-level Peak CAR T-cell Expansion, Baseline ALC, Objective Response, and Survival Over Time.



Gray bars indicate duration of follow-up.

\*Baseline ALC data were based on central assessment, except for 1 patient in Cohort 2. <sup>a</sup>Peak CAR T-cell data were not available. <sup>b</sup>Based on local assessment. ALC, absolute lymphocyte count; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; NA, not available.

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