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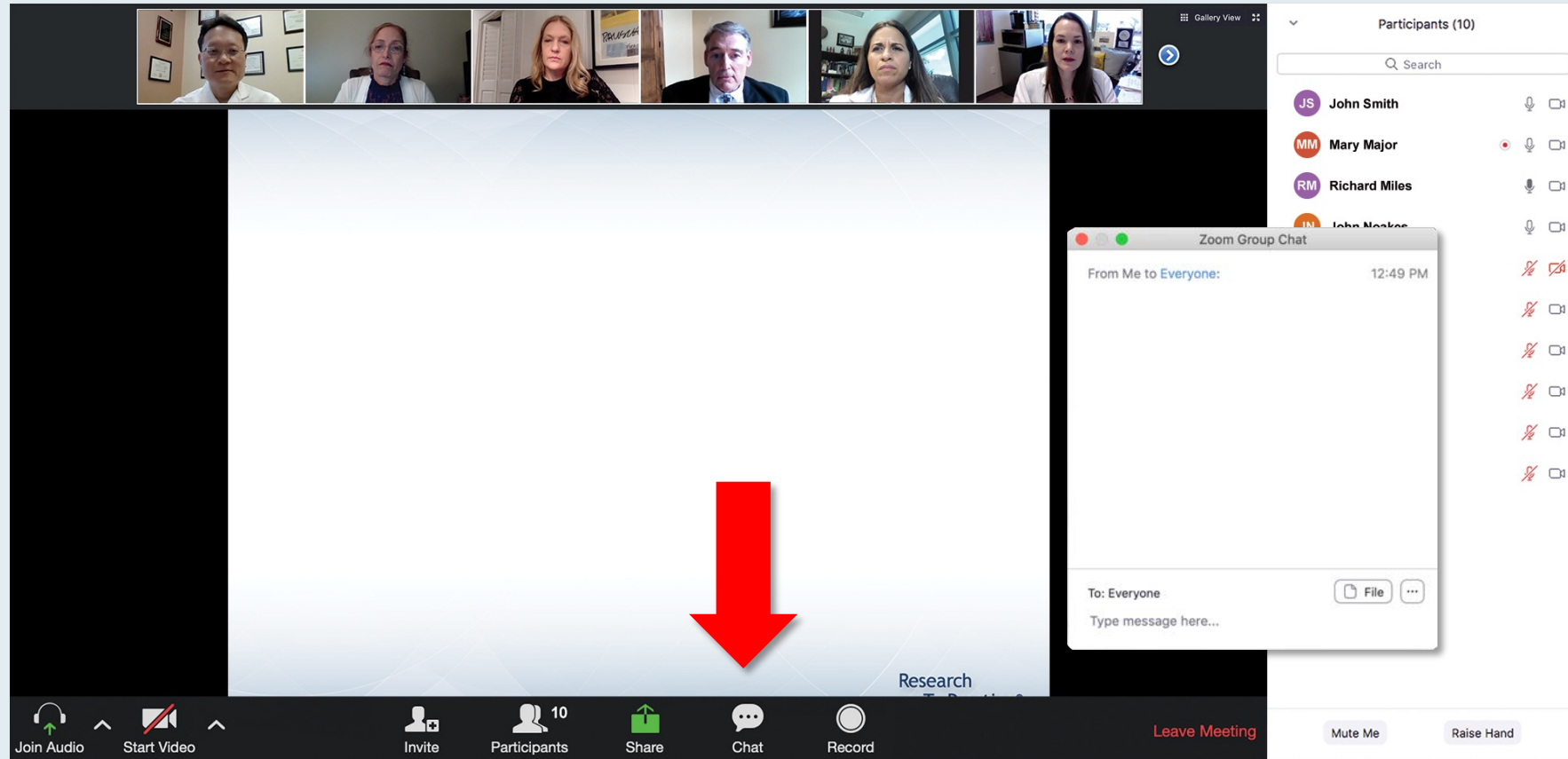
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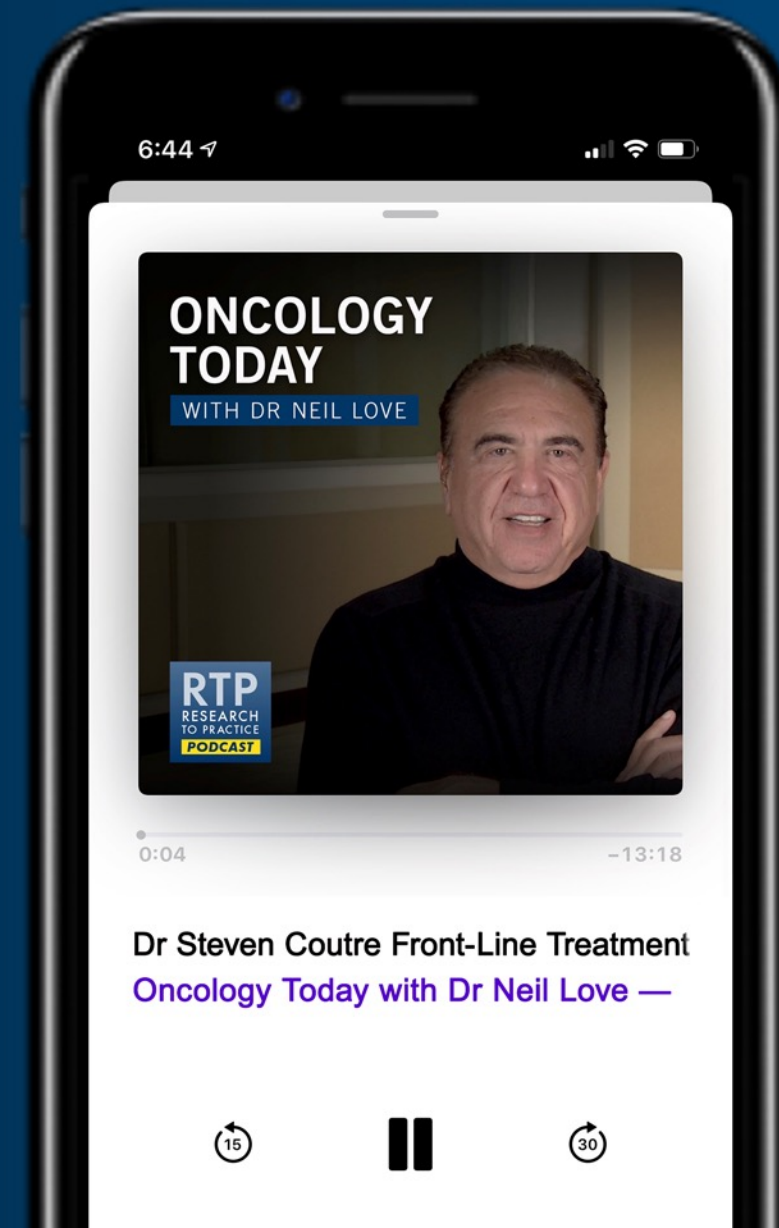
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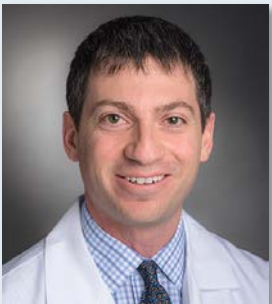
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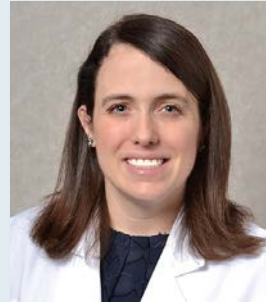
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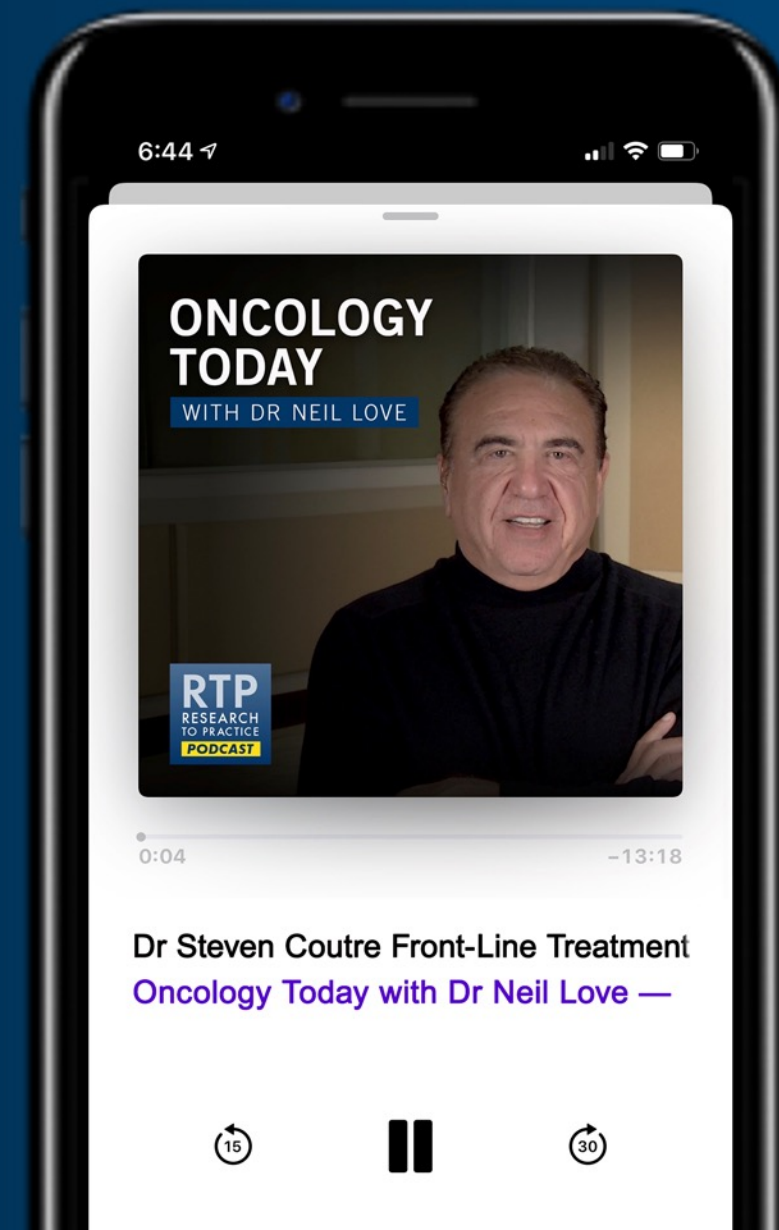
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A 79-year-old man with significant cardiac history and symptomatic CLL — Part 2



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Questions

- ***What do you think has happened? What would you do at this point to manage this patient?***

A 79-year-old man with significant cardiac history and symptomatic CLL — Part 3



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- PMH: CAD s/p STEMI 10/2018, multiple catheterizations, with > 5 DES stents placed, 2nd degree heart block; CVA in 2008
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- ***Venetoclax re-ramp from 100 mg to 400 mg, with resolution of adenopathy***

Questions

- ***Would you stop treatment if he continues venetoclax for another year or 2 years and achieves MRD negativity? If he is MRD-positive after that time, would you change treatment, or add another drug to venetoclax?***

What is Minimal Residual Disease (MRD) in Hematologic Malignancies?

- Malignant cell populations present in low numbers, below the threshold for detection using standard morphologic techniques.
- “CR” in bone marrow in acute myeloid leukemia = <5% blasts: reduction from 10^{12} to $<5 \times 10^{10}$ leukemic cells.¹
- “Minimal” may be a misnomer.

¹ Campana D. *Cytometry* 1999

Why measure MRD in CLL?

- If MRD present, in the absence of further therapy, relapse will occur.
- Accurate quantitation of residual disease:
 1. Accurately determines prognosis.
 2. May guide treatment decisions.

When could we measure MRD?

- At completion of therapy (best established role):
 1. Determine prognosis.
 2. Guide use of consolidation therapy (potentially).
- During therapy to allow modification of treatment strategy (work in progress).
- During observation after completion of therapy to detect early relapse that may have a specific intervention (best established after alloSCT).

Why is MRD such a useful prognostic marker?

- Predictive of PFS and OS independent of clinical response and treatment received.
- Quantitative and functions as a continuous variable.

Conclusions from the 5-Year Analysis of MURANO



Most patients who completed Ven monotherapy had uMRD at EOT and MRD status continued to be a robust predictor of outcomes.
Patients in the VenR arm with uMRD at EOT had a 61.3% PFS rate at 36 months post-EOT.



Median time to MRD conversion was 19 months and median time to PD from MRD conversion was a further 25 months for patients with uMRD at EOT. A significant proportion of patients remained with uMRD at this follow-up.



Poor baseline characteristics are associated with faster MRD doubling rates.

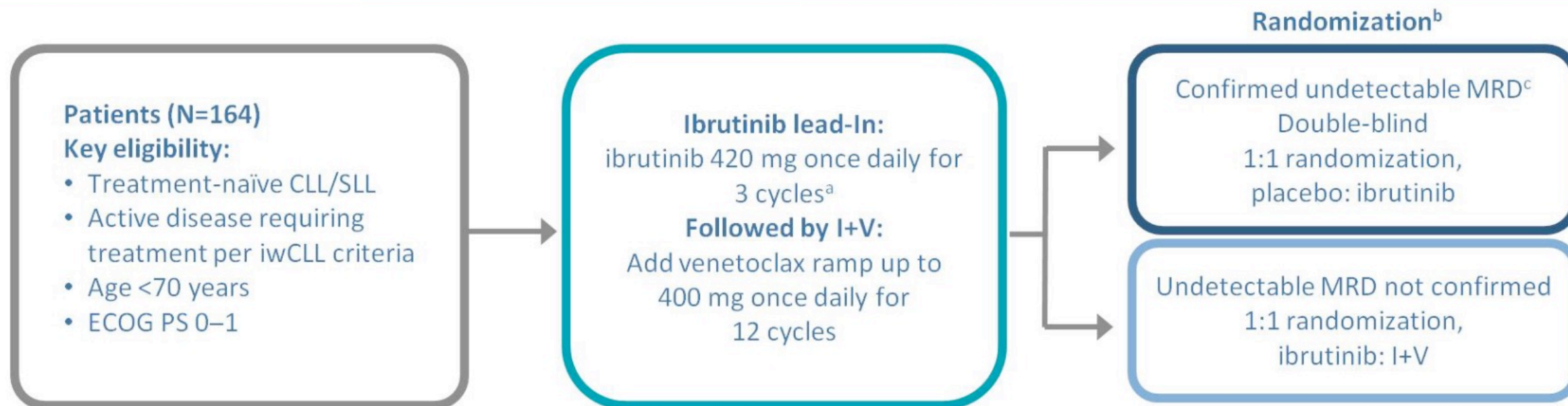


Deep and durable initial response alongside favorable baseline characteristics predict sensitivity to re-treatment.



Sustained uMRD, PFS and OS benefits provide further support for the use of fixed duration VenR in patients with relapsed/refractory CLL.

Phase 2 CAPTIVATE Study Design (NCT02910583)



^a1 cycle = 28 days.

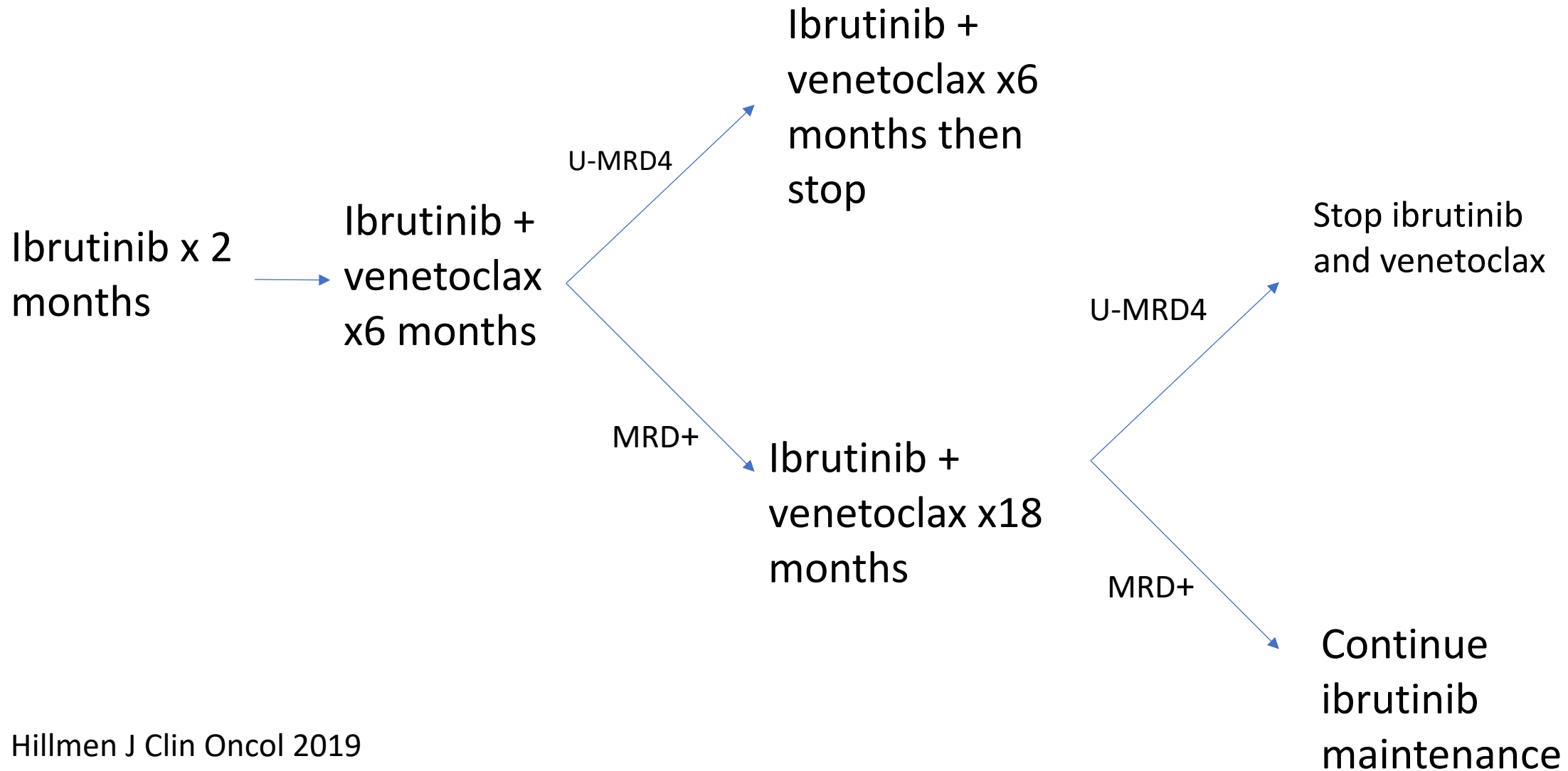
^bStratified by *IGHV* mutation status.

^cConfirmed undetectable MRD for randomization defined as undetectable MRD serially over at least 3 cycles in peripheral blood (PB), and undetectable MRD in both PB and BM.

Study Populations:

- MRD cohort (N=164): exposure and safety analysis
 - Safety Run-in: first 14 patients completed C15 treatment (12 cycles of I+V); no dose-limiting toxicities (DLT) or clinical TLS during first 6 weeks of I+V combination
 - Prespecified analysis of the first 30 patients who completed C9 treatment (6 cycles of I+V) for MRD evaluation
- Fixed Duration cohort (N=159): separate cohort; analysis not shown

CLARITY Study – relapsed CLL



A 93-year-old woman with symptomatic disease progression after response to obinutuzumab — Part 1

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- **Obinutuzumab x 6 months, with normalization of blood counts, reduction in LAD, PR on imaging**
- **8/2020: Increasing WBC to 43K, with increasing adenopathy**

Questions

- ***How are you managing these older and frailer patients? What options would you consider for a patient like this – obinutuzumab alone, chlorambucil? How do you view BTK inhibitors or venetoclax-based therapies for a patient like this woman?***
- ***When her WBC and adenopathy began increasing on obinutuzumab, what would you have done – another round of treatment, or go to targeted agents? Which targeted agent would you use?***

A 93-year-old woman with symptomatic disease progression after response to obinutuzumab — Part 3



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- 2010: Diagnosed with SLL, based on lymph node biopsy
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- ***Acalabrutinib 100 mg BID***
 - ***9/2020: WBC 107K***
 - ***11/2020: WBC 63K, with decreasing adenopathy***

A 65-year-old man with significant cardiac history, AIHA — Part 1



Dr John Allan

- Admitted for elective heart catherization, DES stent (dual antiplatelet agents)
 - WBC: 88K, ALC: 60K
- Diagnosed with CLL, deletion 11q+, IGHV unmutated (adenopathy < 5 cm, spleen 22 cm)
- Brisk autoimmune hemolytic anemia (AIHA) → 6/2018: Obinutuzumab, with improvement

Questions

- Given the need for treatment and his brisk AIHA, what would be an appropriate approach for this patient at this time?

A 65-year-old man with significant cardiac history, AIHA — Part 2



Dr John Allan

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- Brisk autoimmune hemolytic anemia (AIHA)
 - ***6/2018: Obinutuzumab, with rapid improvement in WBC over the first 3 weeks, hemolysis essentially stopped by week 3***
- ***Off protocol venetoclax initiated***
- ***6/2019 Bone marrow MRD: negative***
- ***10/2020 Peripheral blood MRD: negative***

Questions

- ***Given his cardiac history, would you have considered a BTK inhibitor or would you have taken the approach that was taken?***
- ***Are you following MRD in your clinical practice?***
- ***Have you followed rapid dose escalation of venetoclax for high-risk patients, who are progressing rapidly? Do you have any risk mitigation strategies that have been helpful?***

An 86-year-old man with relapsed CLL treated with ibrutinib/venetoclax



Dr John Allan

- August 2015: Diagnosed at age 81, ibrutinib initiated due to rising WBC count and anemia; counts returned to normal
 - Full CLL workup not performed prior to treatment by outside physician
 - Bone marrow biopsy: Complex karyotype with monosomy 17
- 2018: Patient referred due to outside physician moving out of state
- August 2020: WBC counts begin to rise to 20K with mild anemia and thrombocytopenia
- CLL evaluation:
 - Complex karyotype with monosomy 17, unmutated IGHV V3-23
 - ARID1A, CCND3, TP53 mutated, no BTK mutation

Question

- How often are you assessing for BTK mutations? How often are you repeat testing -- FISH testing, mutational testing -- on your patients when they are progressing on targeted agents?
- How would you manage this patient?

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- Occupy BTK: The key to controlling CLL
- Acalabrutinib for patients with relapsed/refractory CLL intolerant to ibrutinib
- Ibrutinib induces durable remissions in patients with treatment-naïve CLL with 17p deletion/TP53 mutations
- Achieving complete remission with ibrutinib: Clinical significance and predictive factors
- Prognostic value of measurable residual disease after venetoclax and decitabine for AML
- A multicenter Phase II study of venetoclax with dose-adjusted R-EPOCH (VR-EPOCH) for Richter's syndrome
- Clinical and molecular characteristics and treatment patterns of adolescents and young adults with CLL

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What is your usual preferred initial regimen for a 60-year-old patient with CLL with IGHV mutation but no del(17p) or TP53 mutation who requires treatment?

1. FCR (fludarabine/cyclophosphamide/rituximab)
2. Ibrutinib
3. Ibrutinib + rituximab
4. Ibrutinib + obinutuzumab
5. Acalabrutinib
6. Acalabrutinib + obinutuzumab
7. Venetoclax + obinutuzumab
8. Other

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 Dr Davids	Venetoclax + obinutuzumab	 Dr Mato	FCR
 Dr Flinn	Venetoclax + obinutuzumab	 Dr Pagel	Acalabrutinib
 Dr Hill	Venetoclax + obinutuzumab OR BR	 Dr Rogers	Ibrutinib or FCR
 Dr Jain	Venetoclax + obinutuzumab	 Dr Siddiqi	Venetoclax + obinutuzumab

FCR = fludarabine/cyclophosphamide/rituximab; BR = bendamustine/rituximab

What is your usual preferred initial regimen for a 75-year-old patient with CLL with IGHV mutation but no del(17p) or TP53 mutation who requires treatment?



Dr Davids

**Venetoclax +
obinutuzumab**



Dr Mato

Acalabrutinib



Dr Flinn

Acalabrutinib



Dr Pagel

Acalabrutinib



Dr Hill

Obinutuzumab



Dr Rogers

**Acalabrutinib or
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**Venetoclax +
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Dr Siddiqi

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obinutuzumab**

What would be your most likely approach for a patient with newly diagnosed CLL to whom you administer up-front venetoclax/obinutuzumab who has detectable minimal residual disease (MRD) after 1 year of treatment?

1. Continue treatment
2. Discontinue treatment

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Discontinue treatment



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Which second-line systemic therapy would you recommend for a 60-year-old patient with CLL with no IGHV mutation and no del(17p) or TP53 mutation who responds to ibrutinib and then experiences disease progression 3 years later?

1. Acalabrutinib
2. Acalabrutinib + obinutuzumab
3. Venetoclax
4. Venetoclax + rituximab
5. Venetoclax + obinutuzumab
6. Idelalisib
7. Duvelisib
8. Other

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Dr Davids

Venetoclax + rituximab



Dr Mato

Venetoclax + rituximab



Dr Flinn

Venetoclax +
obinutuzumab



Dr Pagel

Venetoclax



Dr Hill

Venetoclax + rituximab



Dr Rogers

Venetoclax + rituximab



Dr Jain

Venetoclax +
obinutuzumab



Dr Siddiqi

Ibrutinib + obinutuzumab
OR venetoclax +
obinutuzumab

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2. Ibrutinib + rituximab
3. Ibrutinib + obinutuzumab
4. Acalabrutinib
5. Acalabrutinib + obinutuzumab
6. Idelalisib
7. Duvelisib
8. Other

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Ibrutinib



Dr Jain

Acalabrutinib



Dr Siddiqi

Acalabrutinib +
obinutuzumab

A 60-year-old patient with CLL, an absolute lymphocyte count of 80,000 and several involved lymph nodes that are larger than 5 centimeters is about to receive venetoclax. What preemptive measures, if any, would you take to address tumor lysis syndrome prior to the initiation of therapy?



Dr Davids

Admit to hospital



Dr Mato

Admit to hospital



Dr Flinn

**Debulk with
obinutuzumab**



Dr Pagel

Admit to hospital



Dr Hill

Admit to hospital



Dr Rogers

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Dr Jain

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Comment on Sun et al, page 93

Occupy BTK: the key to controlling CLL

Philip A. Thompson | The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

In this issue of *Blood*, Sun and colleagues present results from a randomized, phase 2 study of acalabrutinib at either 100 mg twice daily or 200 mg daily in patients with treatment-naive or relapsed/refractory chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL).¹ As part of the study, they undertook a rigorous analysis of Bruton tyrosine kinase (BTK) occupancy and the resulting biologic consequences in different tissue compartments. They established that twice-daily dosing achieved higher BTK occupancy and resultant downstream pathway inhibition in lymph nodes than once-daily dosing and established the rate of BTK resynthesis in CLL cells.

***Blood* 2020;136(1):4-6**

Phase 2 Study of Acalabrutinib in Ibrutinib (IBR)-Intolerant Patients (pts) with Relapsed/Refractory (R/R) Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)

Rogers KA et al.

ASCO 2019;Abstract 7530.

Ibrutinib Induces Durable Remissions in Treatment-Naïve CLL Patients with 17p Deletion/TP53 Mutations: Five Year Follow-Up from a Phase 2 Study

Sivina M et al.

ASH 2020;Abstract 2218.

Blood 2020;135(7):510-3

Letter to *Blood*

TO THE EDITOR:

Achieving complete remission in CLL patients treated with ibrutinib: clinical significance and predictive factors

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Prognostic Value of Measurable Residual Disease After Venetoclax and Decitabine in Acute Myeloid Leukemia

Maiti A et al.

ASH 2020;Abstract 276.

ASCO 2020; Abstract 8004

A Multicenter Phase 2 Study of Venetoclax plus Dose-Adjusted R-EPOCH (VR-EPOCH) for Richter's Syndrome

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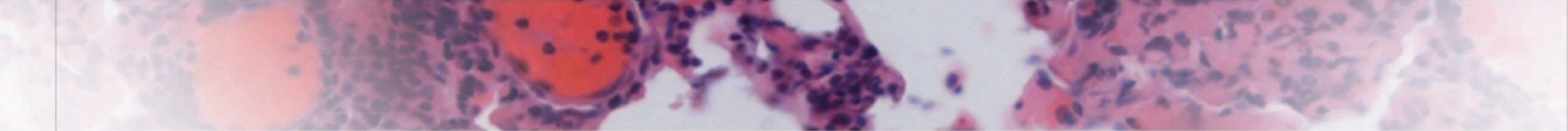
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Examination of Clinical and Molecular Characteristics and Treatment Patterns of Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Patients with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

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Optimal Integration of BTK Inhibitors and Venetoclax into First-Line Treatment

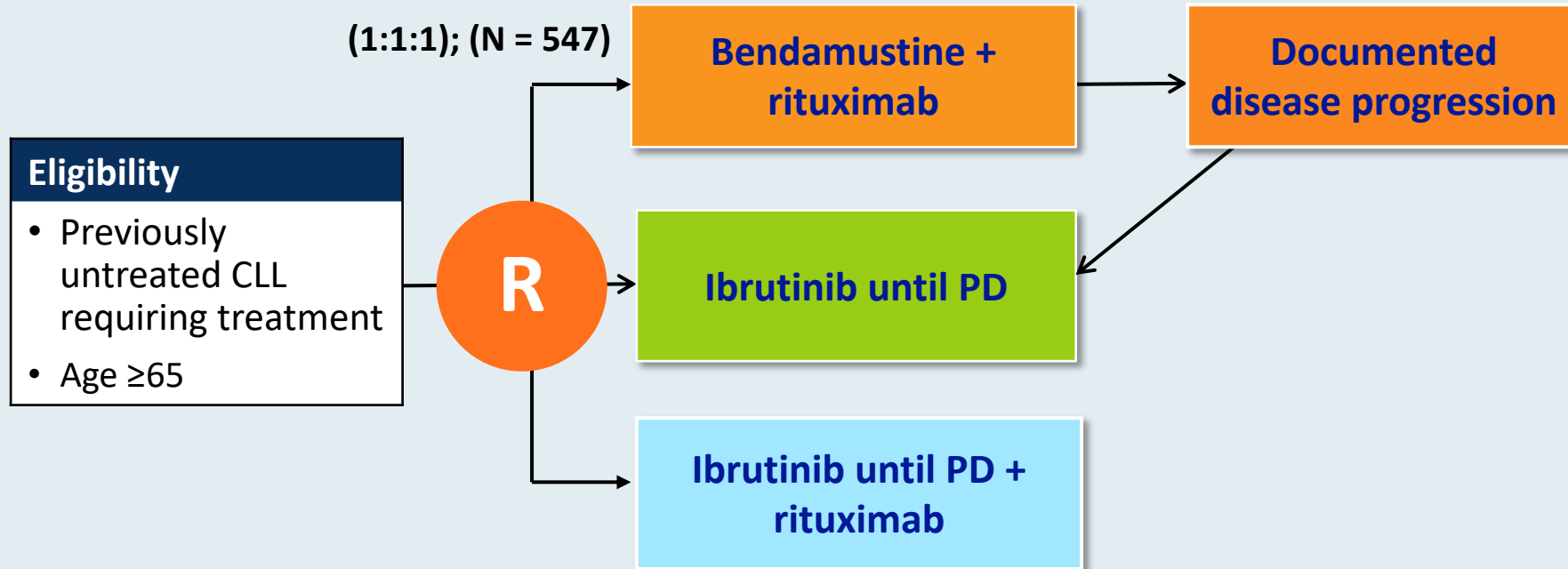
ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Ibrutinib Regimens versus Chemoimmunotherapy in Older Patients with Untreated CLL

J.A. Woyach, A.S. Ruppert, N.A. Heerema, W. Zhao, A.M. Booth, W. Ding, N.L. Bartlett, D.M. Brander, P.M. Barr, K.A. Rogers, S.A. Parikh, S. Coutre, A. Hurria,* J.R. Brown, G. Lozanski, J.S. Blachly, H.G. Ozer, B. Major-Elechi, B. Fruth, S. Nattam, R.A. Larson, H. Erba, M. Litzow, C. Owen, C. Kuzma, J.S. Abramson, R.F. Little, S.E. Smith, R.M. Stone, S.J. Mandrekar, and J.C. Byrd

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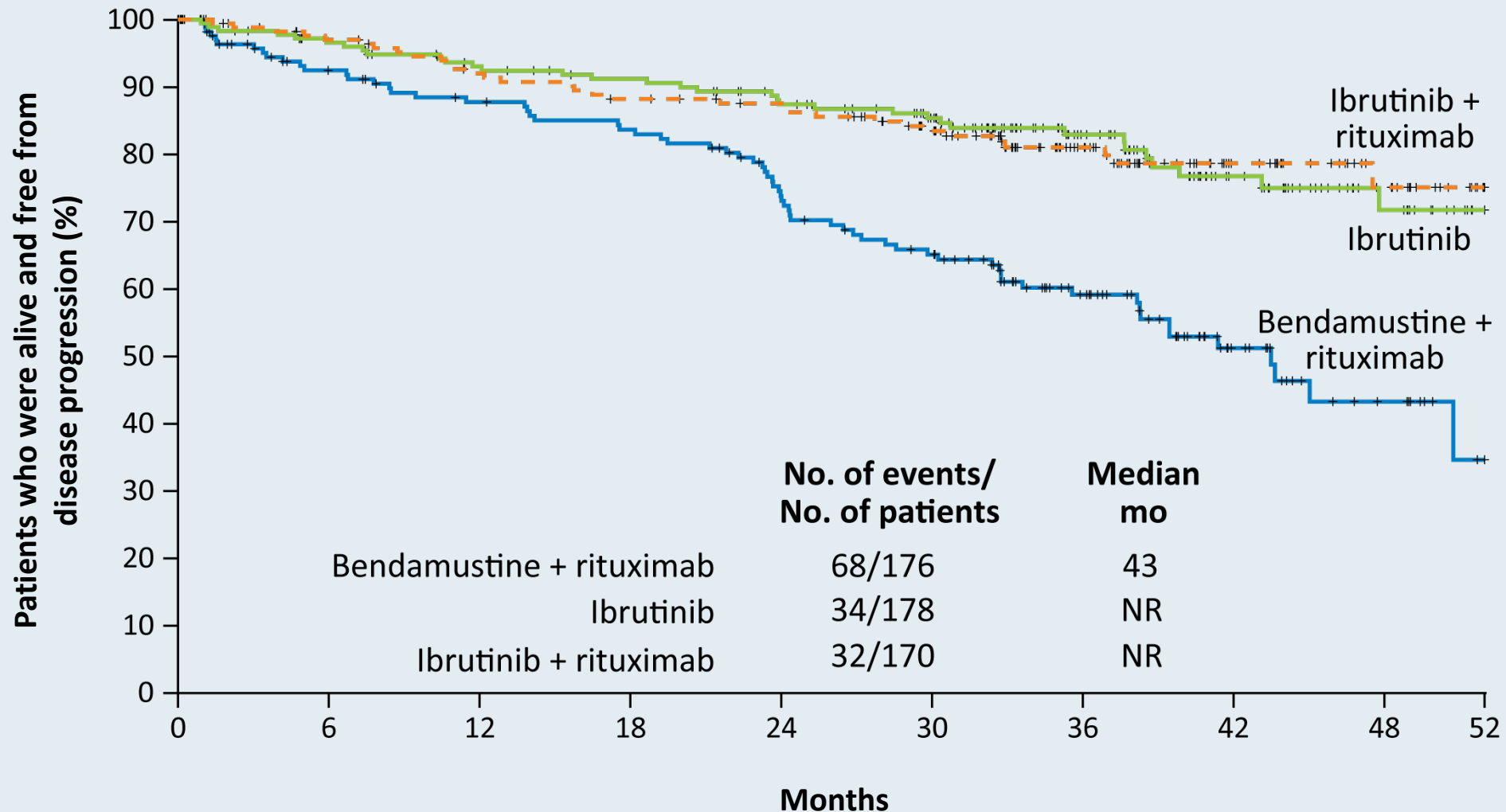
Phase III Alliance A041202 Study Design



Primary endpoint: Progression-free survival (PFS)

Secondary endpoints: OS, ORR, Impact of MRD on PFS and OS, Duration of response, Toxicity and Tolerability

Alliance A041202: Efficacy with Ibrutinib Alone or in Combination with Rituximab Compared to Bendamustine/Rituximab



Alliance A041202: Grade 3 to 5 Adverse Events of Special Interest

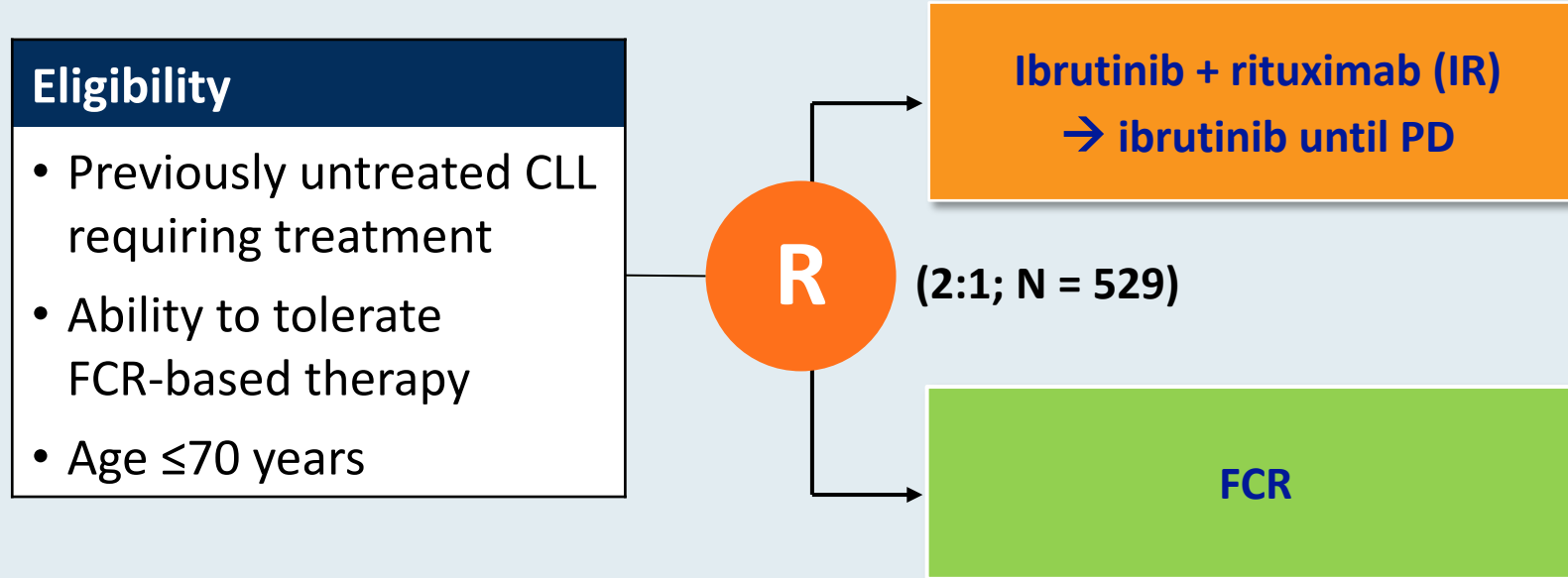
Adverse event	Bendamustine + rituximab (N = 176)	Ibrutinib (N = 180)	Ibrutinib + rituximab (N = 181)	p-value
Hematologic – Any Grade 3-4	61%	41%	39%	<0.001
Anemia	12%	12%	6%	0.09
Decreased neutrophil count	40%	15%	21%	<0.001
Decreased platelet count	15%	7%	5%	0.008
Nonhematologic – Any Grade 3-5	63%	74%	74%	0.04
Bleeding	0	2%	3%	0.46
Infections	15%	20%	21%	0.62
Febrile neutropenia	7%	2%	1%	<0.001
Atrial fibrillation	3%	9%	6%	0.05
Hypertension	15%	29%	34%	<0.001

Ibrutinib and Rituximab Provides Superior Clinical Outcome Compared to FCR in Younger Patients with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL): Extended Follow-Up from the E1912 Trial

Shanafelt TD et al.

ASH 2019;Abstract 33.

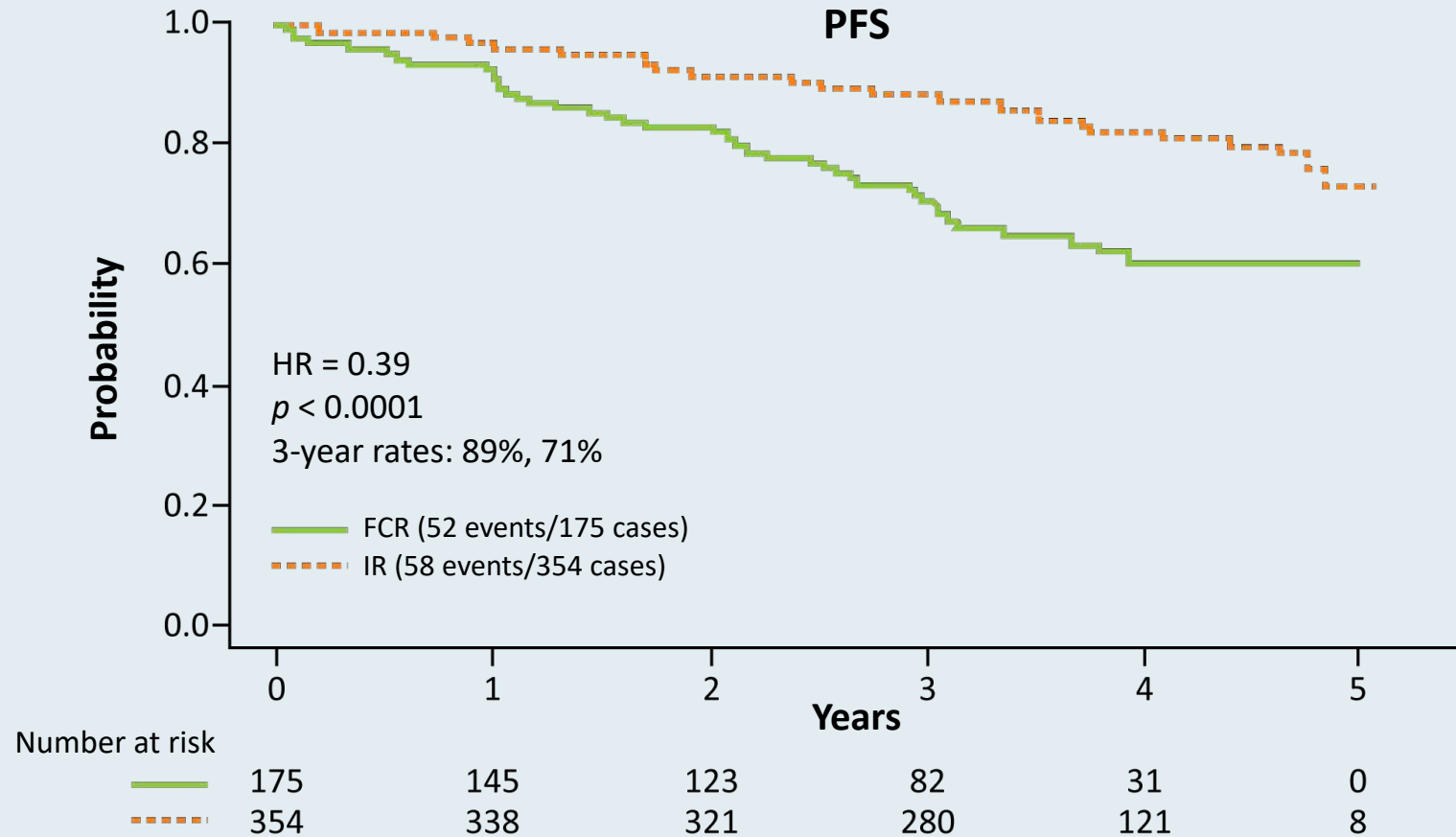
Phase III ECOG-ACRIN E1912 Study Design



Primary endpoint: PFS

Secondary endpoints: OS, ORR, Toxicity and Tolerability

ECOG-ACRIN E1912 Extended Follow-Up: Up-Front IR Compared to FCR for Younger Patients with CLL



- Grade ≥ 3 treatment-related AEs were reported in 70% of patients receiving IR and 80% of patients receiving FCR (odds ratio = 0.56; $p = 0.013$).
- Among the 95 patients who discontinued ibrutinib, the most common cause was AE or complication.

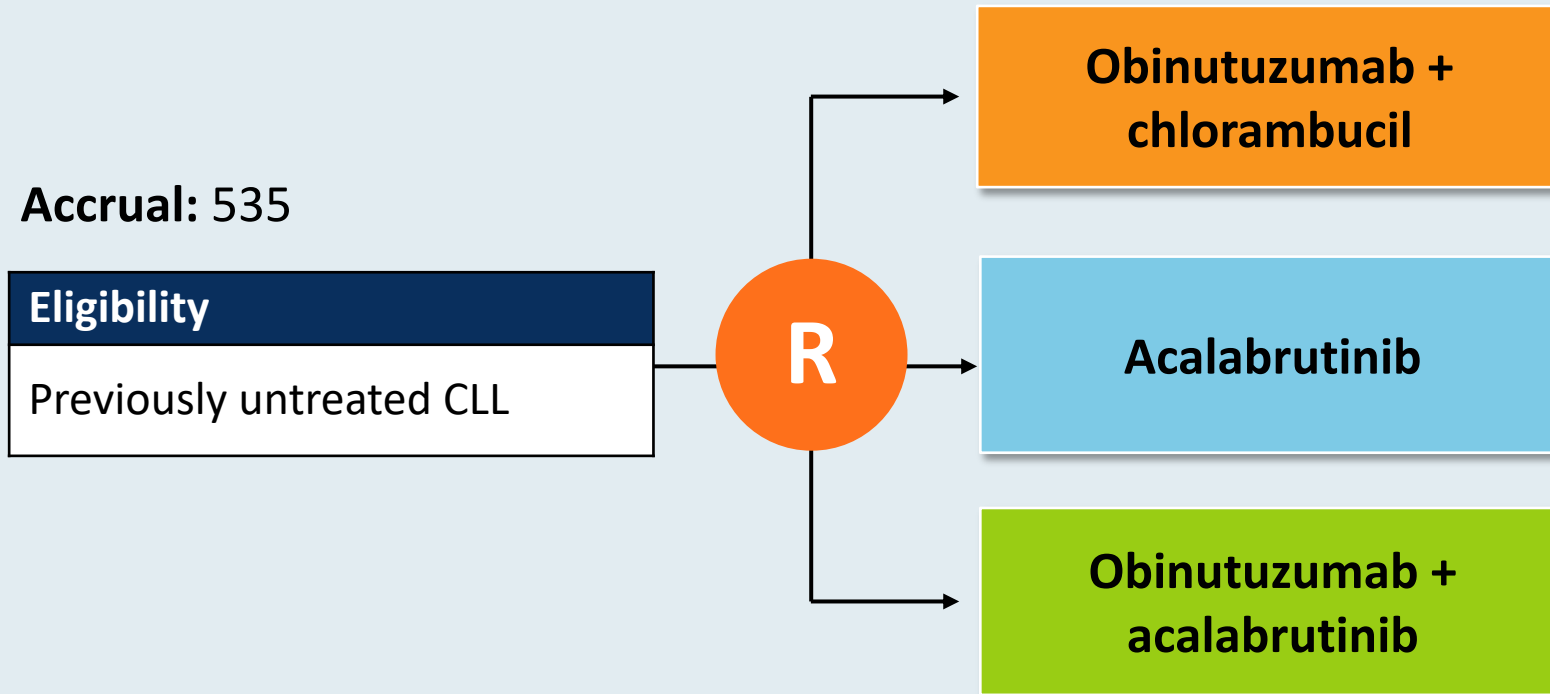


Acalabrutinib with or without obinutuzumab versus chlorambucil and obinutuzumab for treatment-naive chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (ELEVATE-TN): a randomised, controlled, phase 3 trial

Jeff P Sharman, Miklos Egyed, Wojciech Jurczak, Alan Skarbnik, John M Pagel, Ian W Flinn, Manali Kamdar, Talha Munir, Renata Walewska, Gillian Corbett, Laura Maria Fogliatto, Yair Herishanu, Versha Banerji, Steven Coutre, George Follows, Patricia Walker, Karin Karlsson, Paolo Ghia, Ann Janssens, Florence Cymbalista, Jennifer A Woyach, Gilles Salles, William G Wierda, Raquel Izumi, Veerendra Munugalavadla, Priti Patel, Min Hui Wang, Sofia Wong, John C Byrd

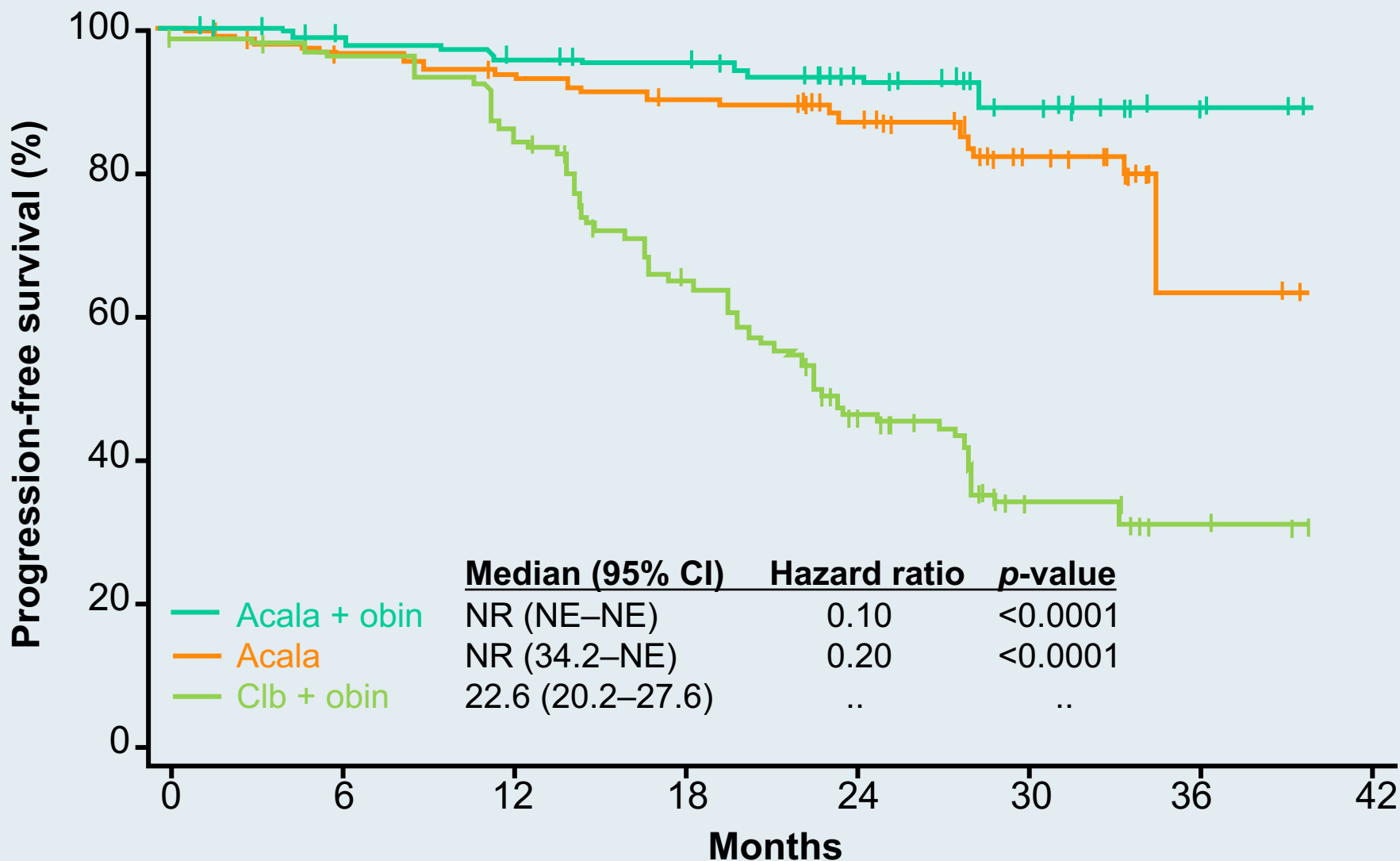
Lancet 2020;395(10232):1278-91.

ELEVATE-TN Phase III Trial Schema



Primary endpoint: Progression-free survival

ELEVATE-TN: PFS (IRC)



ELEVATE-TN: Select Safety Parameters

	Acalabrutinib/obinutuzumab (n = 178)		Acalabrutinib (n = 179)		Obinutuzumab/chlorambucil (n = 169)	
	Grade 1-2	Grade ≥3	Grade 1-2	Grade ≥3	Grade 1-2	Grade ≥3
Any AE	26%	70%	45%	50%	29%	70%
Serious AE	6%	33%	2%	30%	2%	20%
AE leading to drug discontinuation	11%		9%		14%	
Neutropenia	2%	30%	1%	10%	4%	41%
Grade ≥3 infections						
Infusion-related reactions	11%	2%	0	0	34%	5%

Acalabrutinib Met Primary Efficacy Endpoint in Head-to-Head Trial Against Ibrutinib for Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

Press Release — January 25, 2021

“Positive high-level results from the ELEVATE-RR Phase III trial showed acalabrutinib met the primary endpoint demonstrating non-inferior progression-free survival (PFS) for adults with previously treated, high-risk chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) compared to ibrutinib.

The trial also met a key secondary endpoint for safety, showing patients treated with acalabrutinib had statistically significantly lower incidence of atrial fibrillation compared to patients treated with ibrutinib. Atrial fibrillation is an irregular heart rate that can increase the risk of stroke, heart failure and other heart-related complications. Further hierarchical testing revealed no difference for Grade 3 or higher infections or Richter’s transformation. There was a descriptive trend for numerically favorable overall survival. Overall, the safety and tolerability of acalabrutinib were consistent with the profile seen in the broader acalabrutinib clinical development program.

ELEVATE-RR is the first Phase III trial to compare two Bruton’s tyrosine kinase (BTK) inhibitors in patients with CLL, the most common type of leukemia in adults.”

<https://www.astrazeneca.com/media-centre/press-releases/2021/calquence-met-primary-endpoint-against-ibrutinib.html>

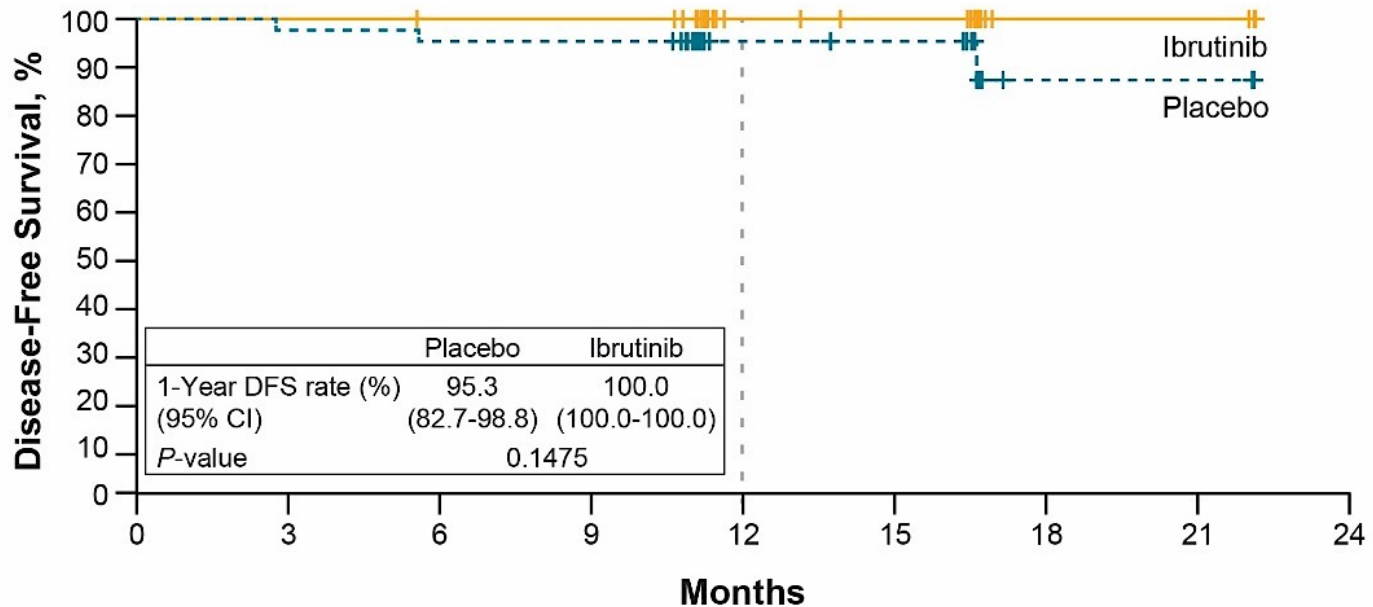
Ibrutinib (Ibr) plus Venetoclax (Ven) for First-Line Treatment of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (SLL): 1-Year Disease-Free Survival (DFS) Results from the MRD Cohort of the Phase 2 CAPTIVATE Study Trial

Wierda WG et al.

ASH 2020;Abstract 123.

CAPTIVATE Phase II Trial of First-Line Ibrutinib with Venetoclax for CLL: 1-Year DFS Results from the MRD Cohort

Figure. DFS by Randomized Treatment Arm in Confirmed uMRD Group^a



Patients at Risk

Placebo	43	42	41	41	22	21	3	3	0
Ibrutinib	43	43	42	42	25	23	5	5	0

^aThe 3 DFS events in placebo arm were disease progression in 2 patients and MRD relapse in 1 patient.

30 month PFS Rate:

Confirmed uMRD:

- 95.3% placebo
- 100% ibrutinib

Without confirmed uMRD:

- 95.2% ibrutinib
- 96.7% ibr/ven

AEs were primarily Grade 1/2 and mostly occurred in early cycles of Ibr + Ven, with modest differences by randomized treatment arm.

Phase III EA9161 Schema

Stratifications

Age: <65 yr vs ≥ 65 yr and <70 yr

PS: 0, 1, vs 2

Stage: 0, 1, or 2 vs 3, 4

Del11q22.3 vs others

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Arm A

Ibrutinib: Cycles 1-19:d1-28 420mg PO daily

Obinutuzumab: C1 : D1:100 mg IV, D2:900 mg IV, D8: 1000 mg IV, D15: 1000 mg IV; C2-6: D1 1000 mg IV

Venetoclax: C3 D1-7 20mg PO daily D8-14 50mg PO daily D15-21 100mg PO daily; D22-28 200 mg PO daily; C4-14: D1-28 400mg PO daily

Arm B

Ibrutinib: Cycles 1-19+:d1-28 420mg PO daily

Obinutuzumab: C1 : D1:100 mg IV, D2:900 mg IV, D8: 1000 mg IV, D15: 1000 mg IV; C2-6: D1 1000 mg IV

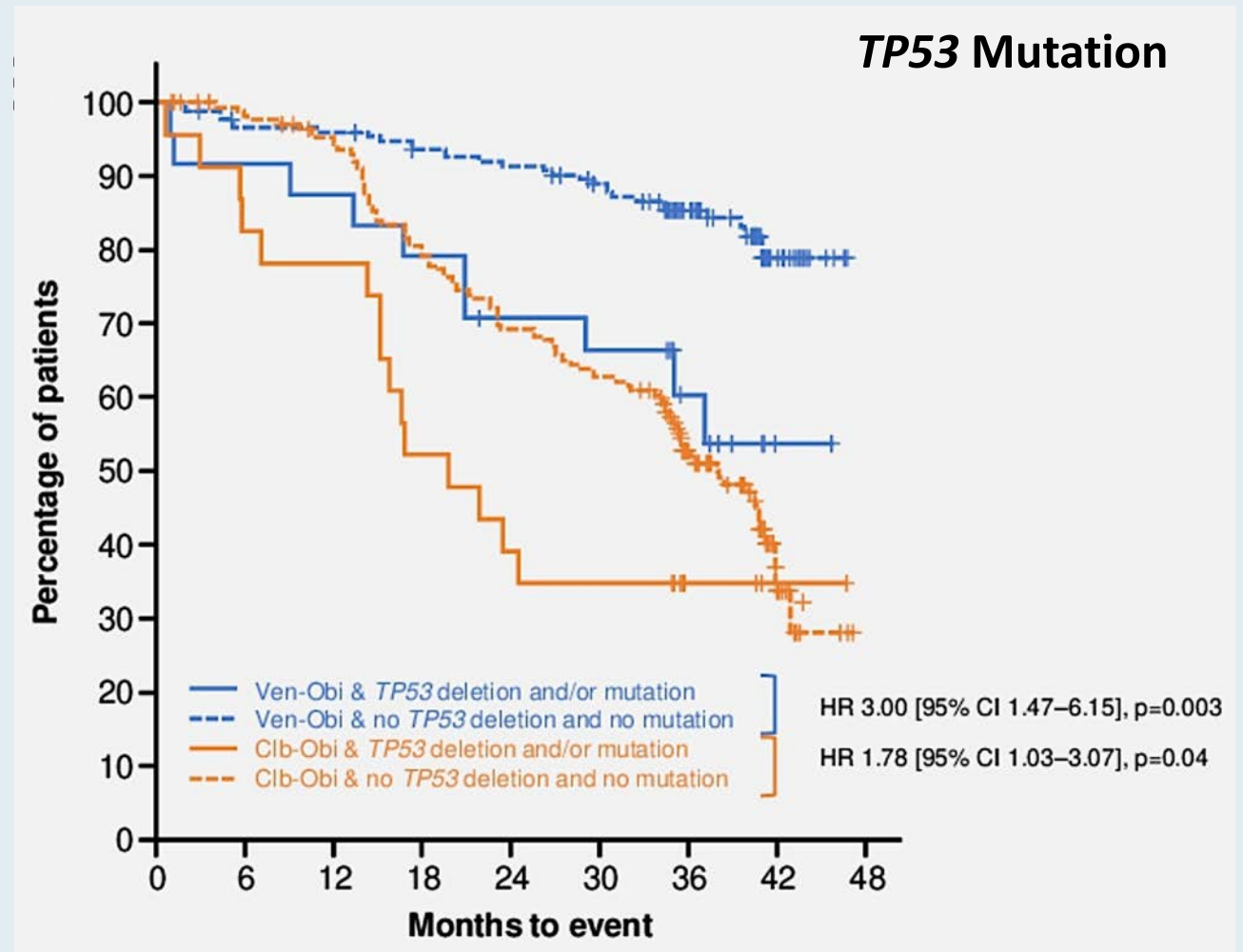
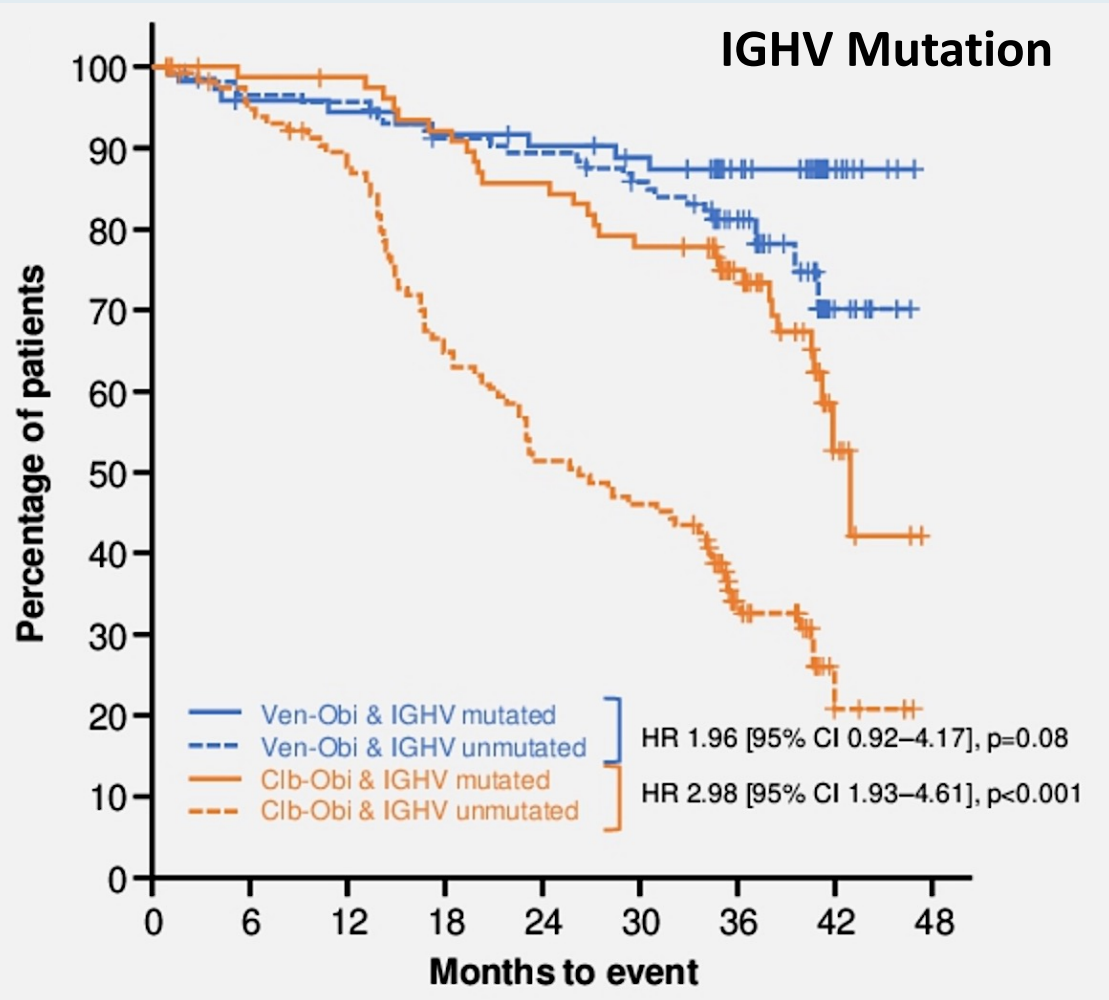


Venetoclax plus obinutuzumab versus chlorambucil plus obinutuzumab for previously untreated chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL14): follow-up results from a multicentre, open-label, randomised, phase 3 trial

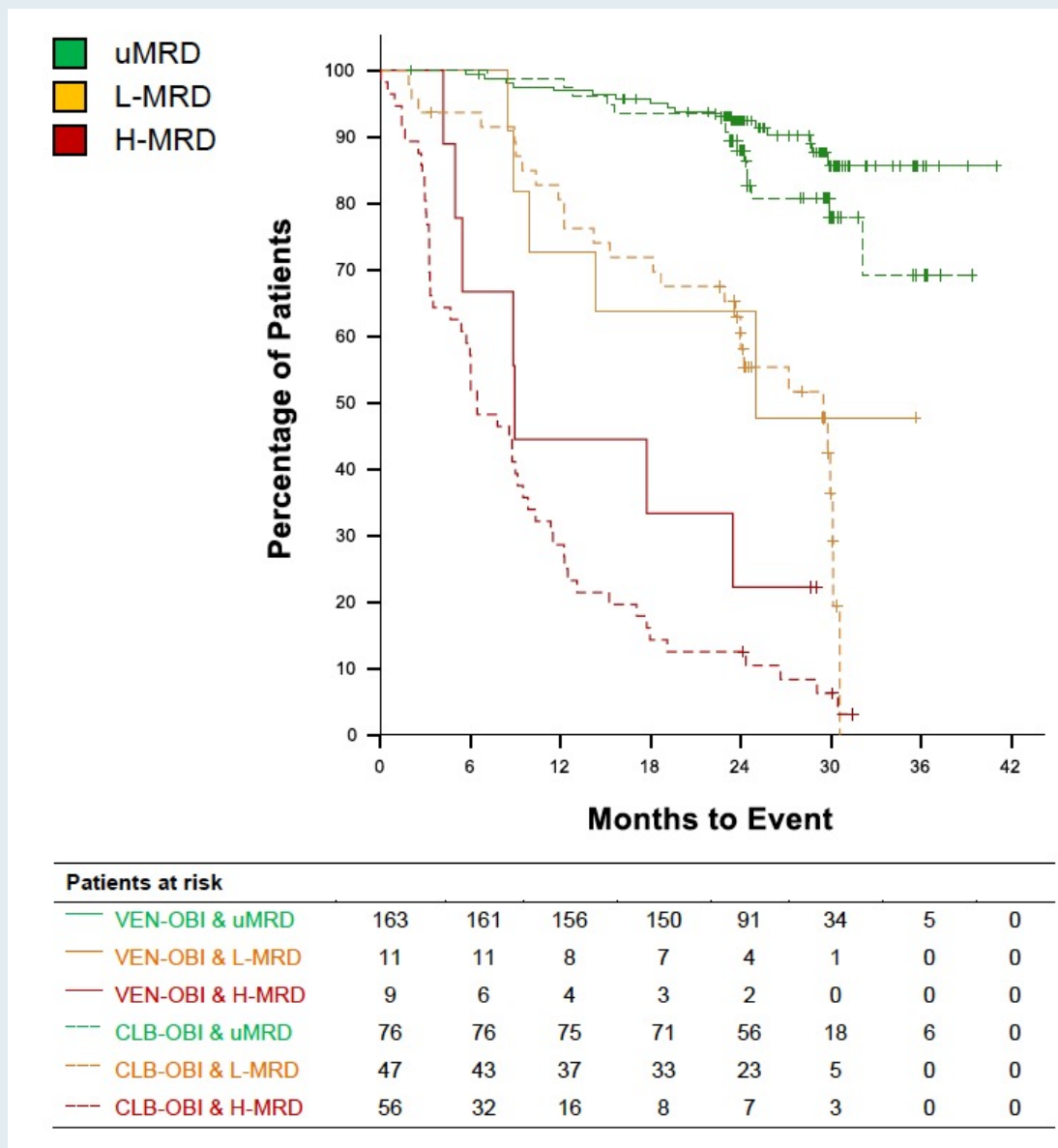
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Lancet Oncol 2020;21(9):1188-200.

CLL14: PFS by IGHV and TP53 Mutation Status



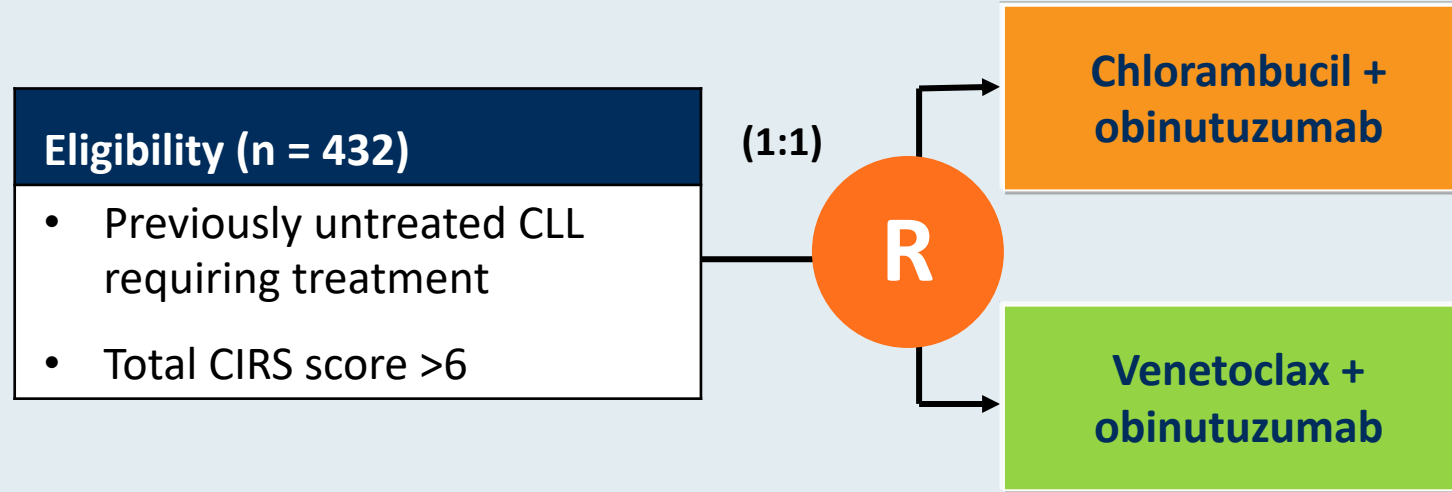
CLL14: Landmark Analysis from End of Therapy PFS by MRD Group



Clonal Dynamics After Venetoclax-Obinutuzumab Therapy: Novel Insights from the Randomized, Phase 3 CLL14 Trial

Al-Sawaf O et al.
ASH 2020;Abstract 127.

CLL14 Phase III Study Schema



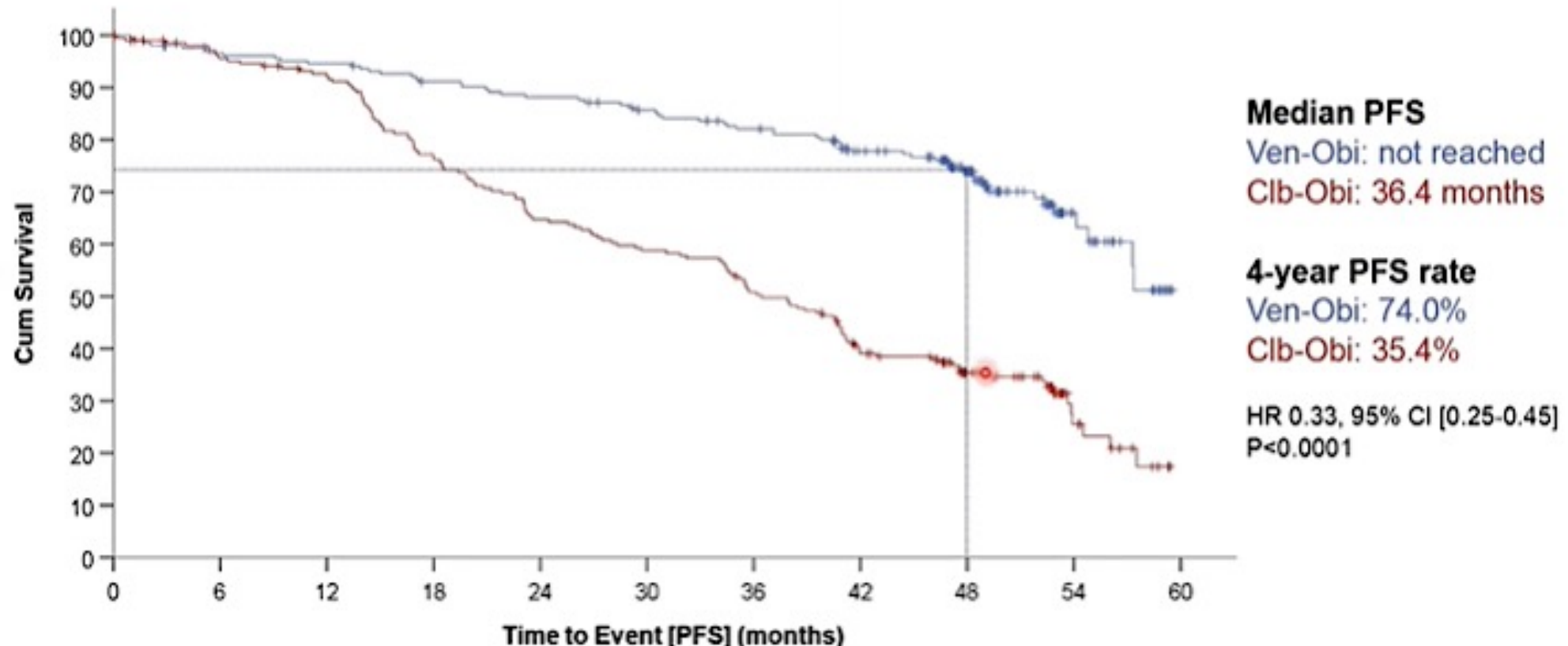
Primary endpoint: Progression-free survival

- Treatment duration in both groups: 12 cycles, 28 days each
- No crossover was allowed
- Daily oral venetoclax regimen:
 - Initiated on day 22 of cycle 1, starting with a 5-week dose ramp-up (1 week each of 20, 50, 100 and 200 mg, then 400 mg daily for 1 week)
 - Thereafter continuing at 400 mg daily until completion of cycle 12

CLL14: Updated 4-Year PFS

4-YEAR FOLLOW-UP: PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL

Median observation time 52.4 months



Management of Relapsed/Refractory CLL

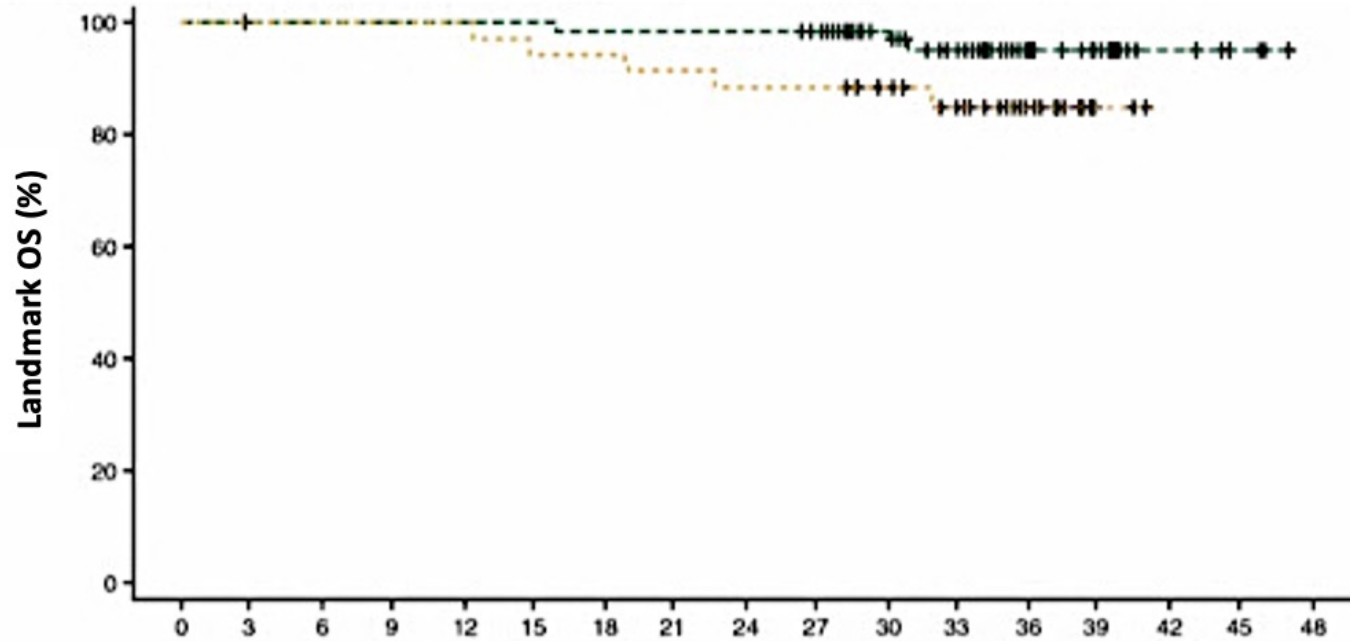
Five-Year Analysis of Murano Study Demonstrates Enduring Undetectable Minimal Residual Disease (uMRD) in a Subset of Relapsed/Refractory Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (R/R CLL) Patients (Pts) Following Fixed-Duration Venetoclax-Rituximab (VenR) Therapy (Tx)

Kater AP et al.

ASH 2020;Abstract 125.

MURANO: 5-Year Follow-Up of Venetoclax/Rituximab (Ven/R) in R/R CLL

Landmark OS by PB MRD status in pts that completed Ven Tx without PD.



- Median PFS for VenR: 53.6 mo
- 5 year OS rate: 82%
- Of 83 patients with uMRD at end of therapy, 38.5% remained uMRD
- 25 months was the average time from MRD conversion to requirement for therapy

No. of patients at risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48
--- VenR uMRD	83	81	81	81	81	81	80	80	78	76	59	45	26	18	6	3	
... VenR MRD	35	35	35	35	35	33	33	32	31	31	28	21	12	2			

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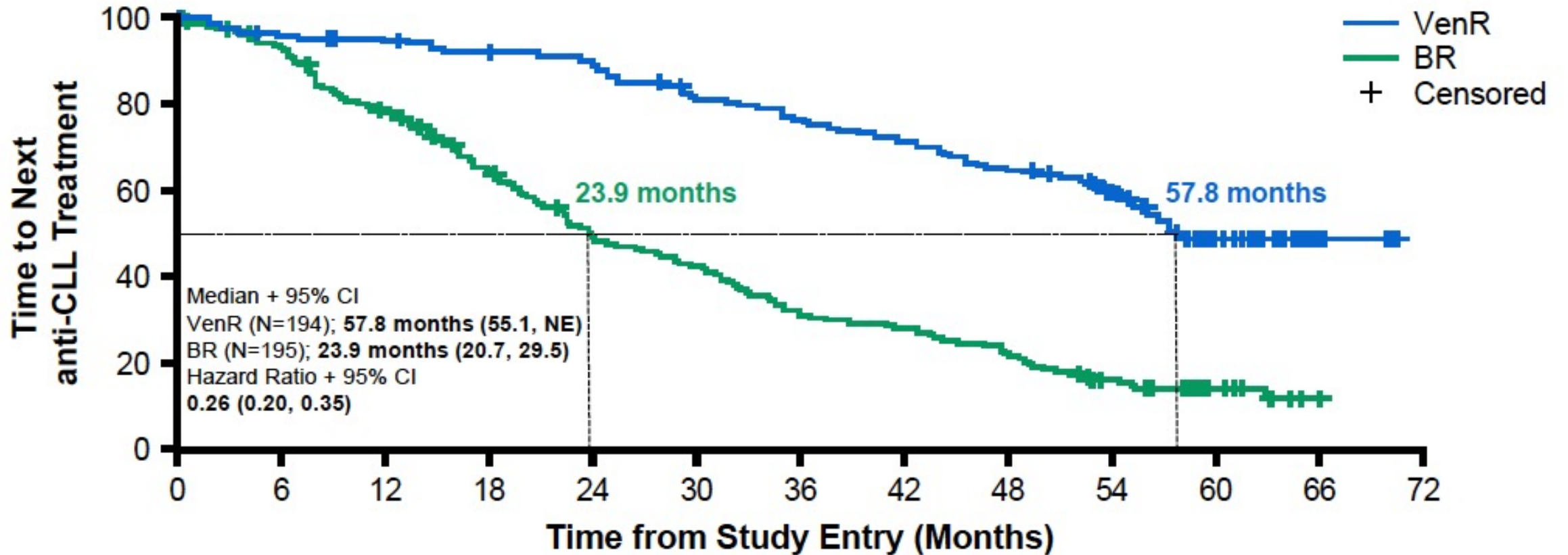
EOT, end of treatment; MRD, minimal residual disease; OS, overall survival; PB, peripheral blood; PD, progressive disease; pts, patients; Tx, therapy; uMRD, undetectable minimal residual disease; Ven, venetoclax.

Efficacy of Subsequent Novel Targeted Therapies, Including Repeated Venetoclax-Rituximab (VenR), in Patients with Relapsed/Refractory Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (R/R CLL) Previously Treated with Fixed-Duration VenR in the MURANO Study

Harrup R et al.

ASH 2020;Abstract 3139.

MURANO: TTNT with VenR versus BR



Efficacy of Subsequent Novel Targeted Therapies in Patients Treated on the MURANO Trial: Conclusions



5-year follow-up data from the MURANO study demonstrated TTNT benefit with VenR versus BR.



Initial VenR treatment was associated with improved time to second PFS event, indicating that early use of Ven over BR does not compromise efficacy of subsequent therapy.



Response rates to subsequent BTKi therapy, re-treatment with Ven-based regimens or crossover to Ven-based regimens were high.



Fixed-duration VenR is an effective approach in patients with R/R CLL and does not compromise response to subsequent therapy or OS.^{1,2}

Venetoclax Re-Treatment of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Patients after a Previous Venetoclax-based Regimen

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Study Design and Endpoints

- Multicenter, retrospective study
- 13 centers and the CLL Collaborative Study of Real-World Evidence (CORE) database
- Eligibility:
 - CLL patients treated with Ven-based regimen (any line of therapy, Ven1)
 - Then re-treated with second Ven-based regimen (Ven2) in a later line of therapy
- Data collected by investigators at individual sites
 - Demographics, prognostic disease characteristics, tumor lysis syndrome risk and incidence, clinical response and reasons for treatment discontinuation

- Primary endpoint:
 - Investigator-assessed ORR
 - CR: complete response, PR: partial response, SD: stable disease, PD: progression of disease, iwCLL 2018
- PFS estimated by Kaplan-Maier method
- All other analyses descriptive

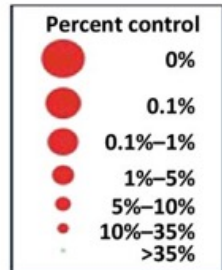
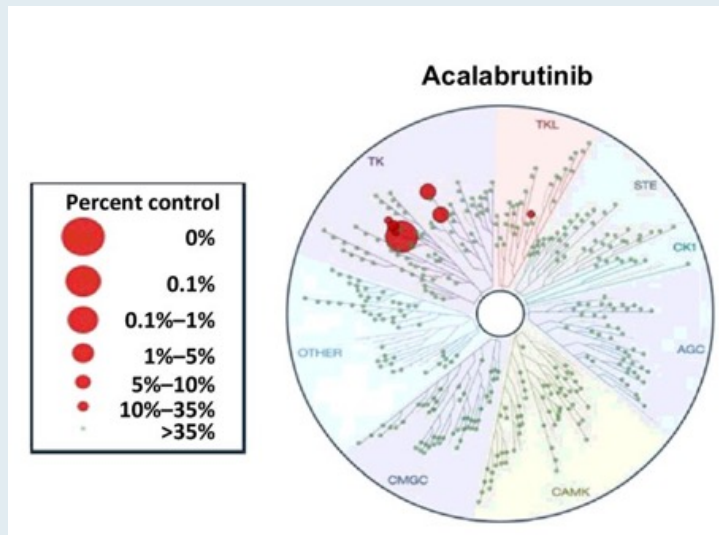
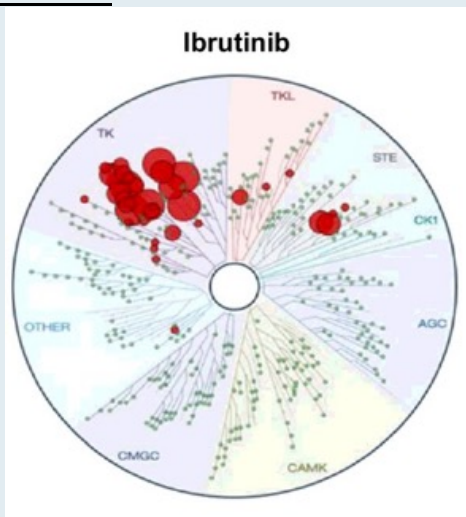


Conclusions

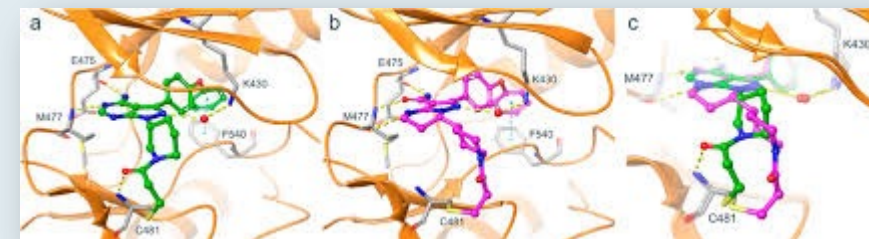
- **ORR:** High ORR of 72.2% for Ven re-treatment
- **Heavily pretreated population:** Cohort studied had median 2 prior therapies, majority R/R (88%), BTKi exposed (60%)
- **Safety:** TLS rare event and majority were able to tolerate 400 mg daily
- **Improved outcomes with time:** Patients with CR to Ven re-treatment had a longer median follow-up than PR or SD patients
 - Potential for better responses with longer time on therapy?
- **Next steps:** Longer follow-up and prospective validation of Ven re-treatment → potential role of Ven re-treatment in sequencing algorithms

Overview of BTK Inhibitors in CLL

Irreversible

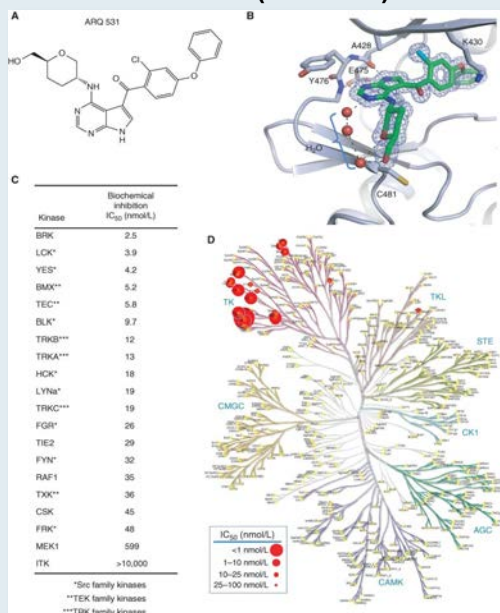


Zanubrutinib

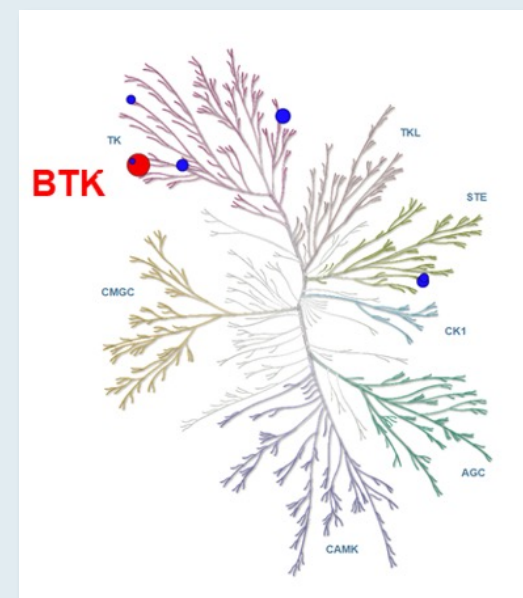


Reversible

ARQ-531 (MK-1026)



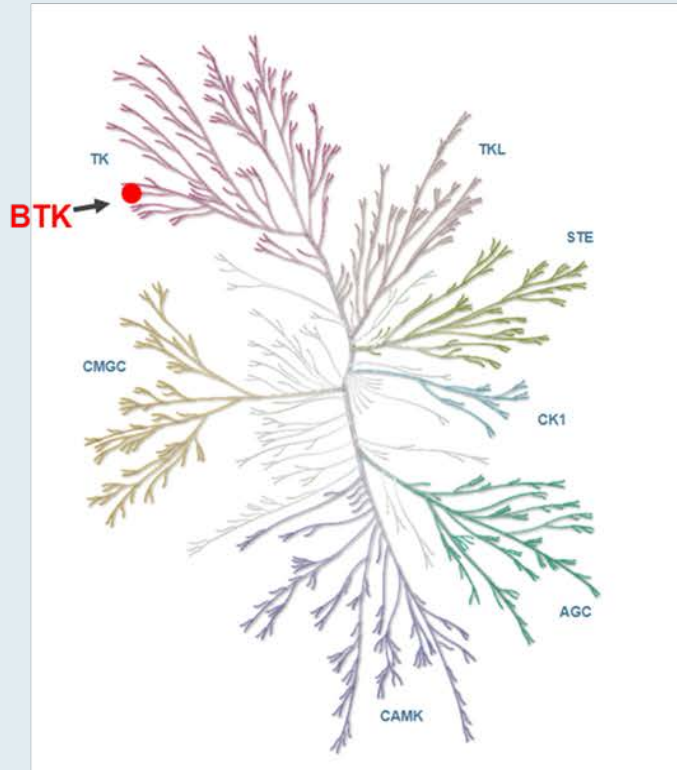
LOXO-305



LOXO-305 is a Highly Potent and Selective Non-Covalent BTK Inhibitor

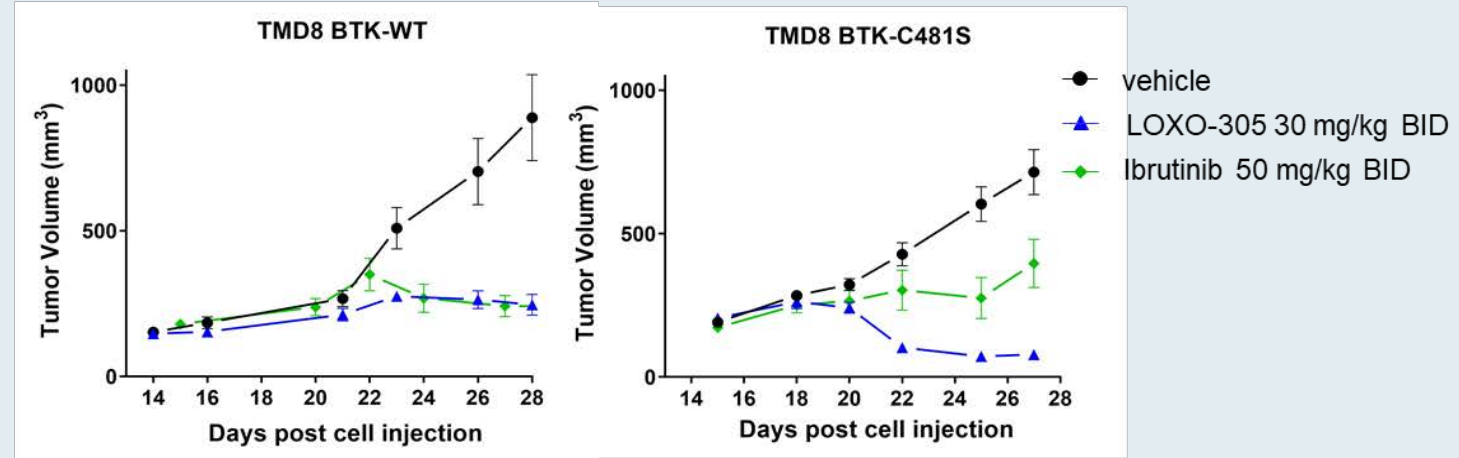
Kinome selectivity

Highly selective for BTK



Xenograft models

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



- Nanomolar potency against WT & C481-mutant BTK in cell and enzyme assays^{1,2}
- >300-fold selectivity for BTK vs 370 other kinases¹
- Due to reversible binding mode, BTK inhibition not impacted by intrinsic rate of BTK turnover¹
- Favorable pharmacologic properties allow sustained BTK inhibition throughout dosing interval¹

BID, twice-daily; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase. Illustration reproduced courtesy of Cell Signaling Technology, Inc. (www.cellsignal.com). ¹Brandhuber et al. *Clin. Lymphoma Myeloma Leuk.* 2018;18:S216. ²Mato et al. *Blood.* 2019;134 (Suppl 1):501.

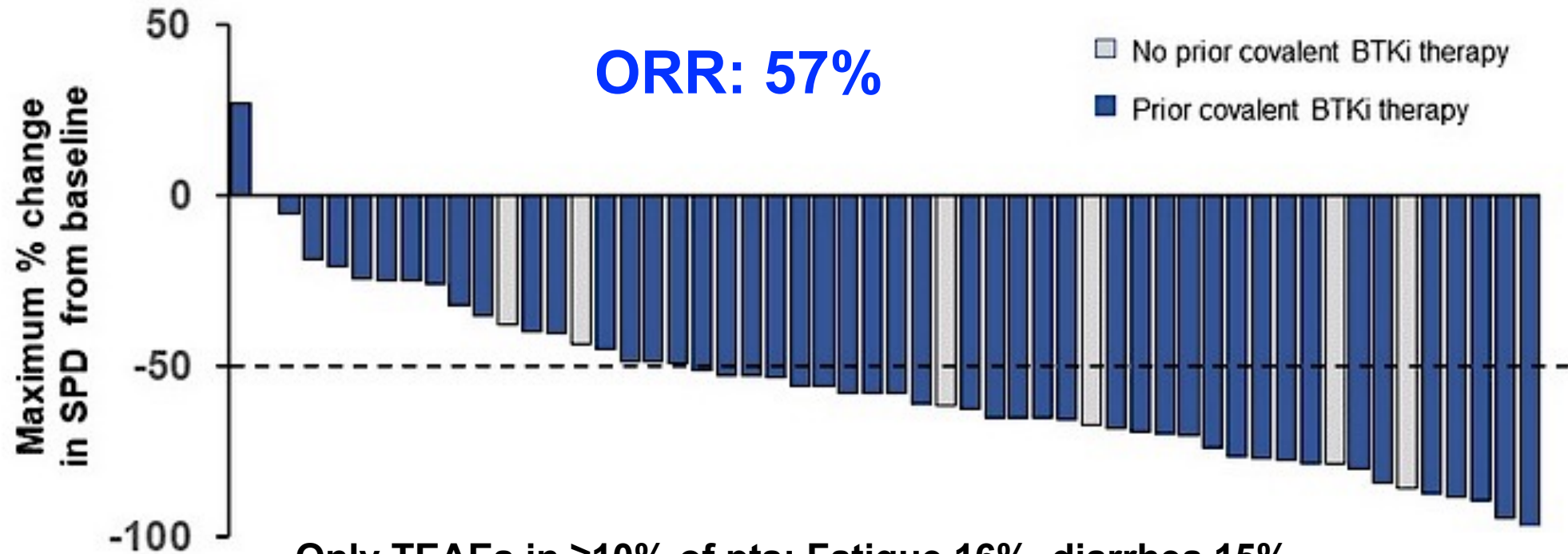
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BRUIN: LOXO-305 for Previously Treated CLL/SLL (Median prior therapies: 4)



* 11 efficacy-evaluable pts are not included in the waterfall plot, including 1 pt who discontinued prior to first response assessment, and 10 pts (4 pts with PR/PR-L and 6 pts with SD) with incomplete tumor lesion measurement data at the time of data cut

BRUIN: Safety

Adverse Events, at All Doses and Patients (N=323), n (%)		Treatment-Emergent AEs, (≥10%) ^a				Treatment-Related AEs	
		Any Grade	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Any Grade	Grade 3/4
Fatigue		65 (20)	40 (12)	22 (7)	3 (1)	27 (8)	2 (<1)
Diarrhea		55 (17)	45 (14)	10 (3)	-	28 (9)	-
Contusion		42 (13)	37 (12)	5 (2)	-	29 (9)	-
AEs of special interest, ^{b,c}	Bruising	53 (16)	48 (15)	5 (2)	-	37 (12)	-
	Rash	35 (11)	30 (9)	5 (2)	-	18 (6)	-
	Arthralgia	16 (5)	13 (4)	3 (1)	-	5 (2)	-
	Hemorrhage	15 (5)	10 (3)	4 (1)	1 (<1) ^d	5 (2)	-
	Hypertension	15 (5)	2 (<1)	9 (3)	4 (1)	4 (1)	-
	AFib/Flutter	2 (<1)	-	2 (<1) ^e	-	-	-

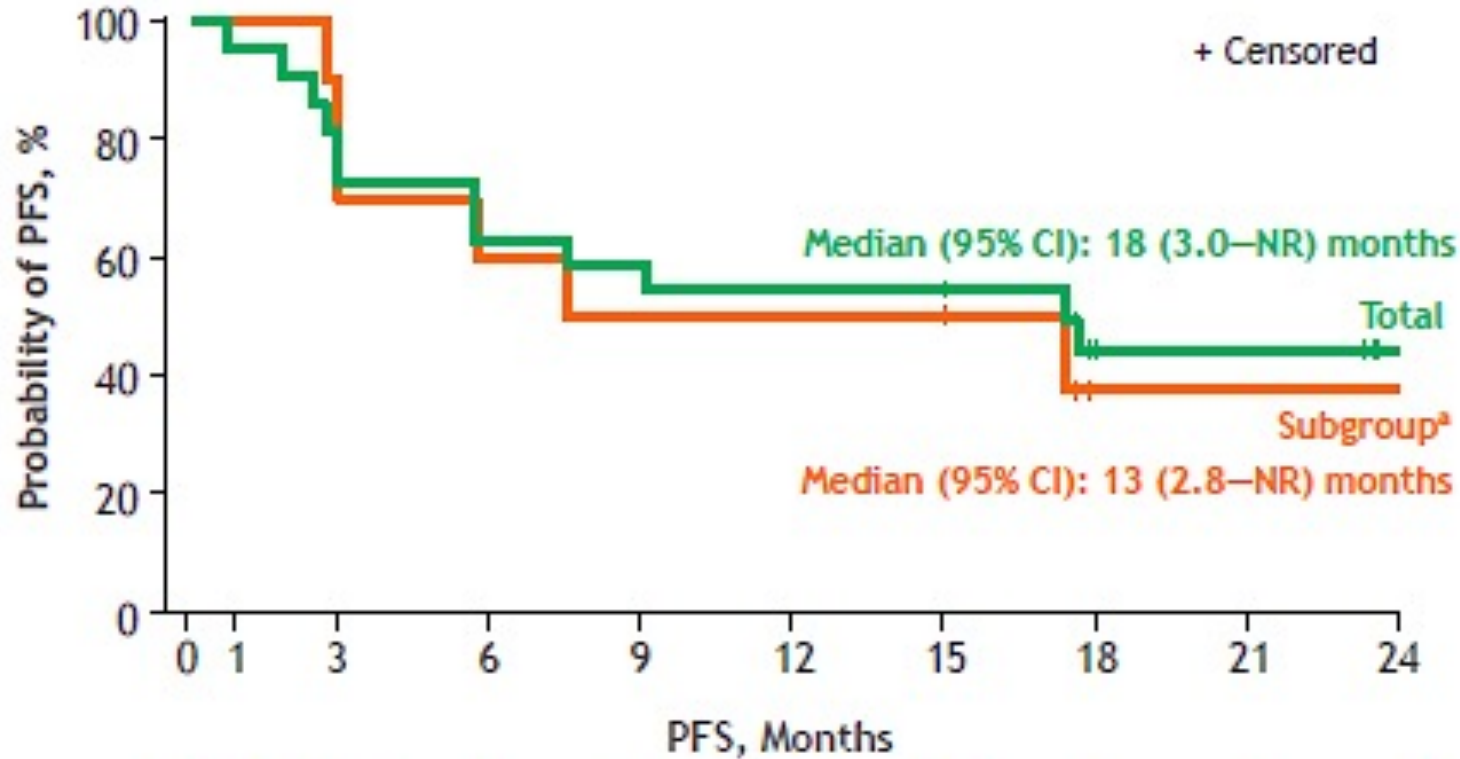
- No DLTs reported and MTD not reached
- 5 (1.5%) discontinued due to treatment-related AEs
- 200 mg QD selected as recommended phase 2 dose

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ASH 2020;Abstract 546.

TRANSCEND CLL 04: Liso-cel Monotherapy Cohort



22	21	18	14	13	12	12	8	6	4
10	10	9	6	5	5	5	2	1	1

- ORR/CR = 82%/68%
- Median PFS 13 mo and DOR 50% at 12 mo
- Gr 3 CRS= 9% and NE 22% (No Grade 4/5)
- 4 of 6 progressions due to RT

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