

# Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia and Hairy Cell Leukemia

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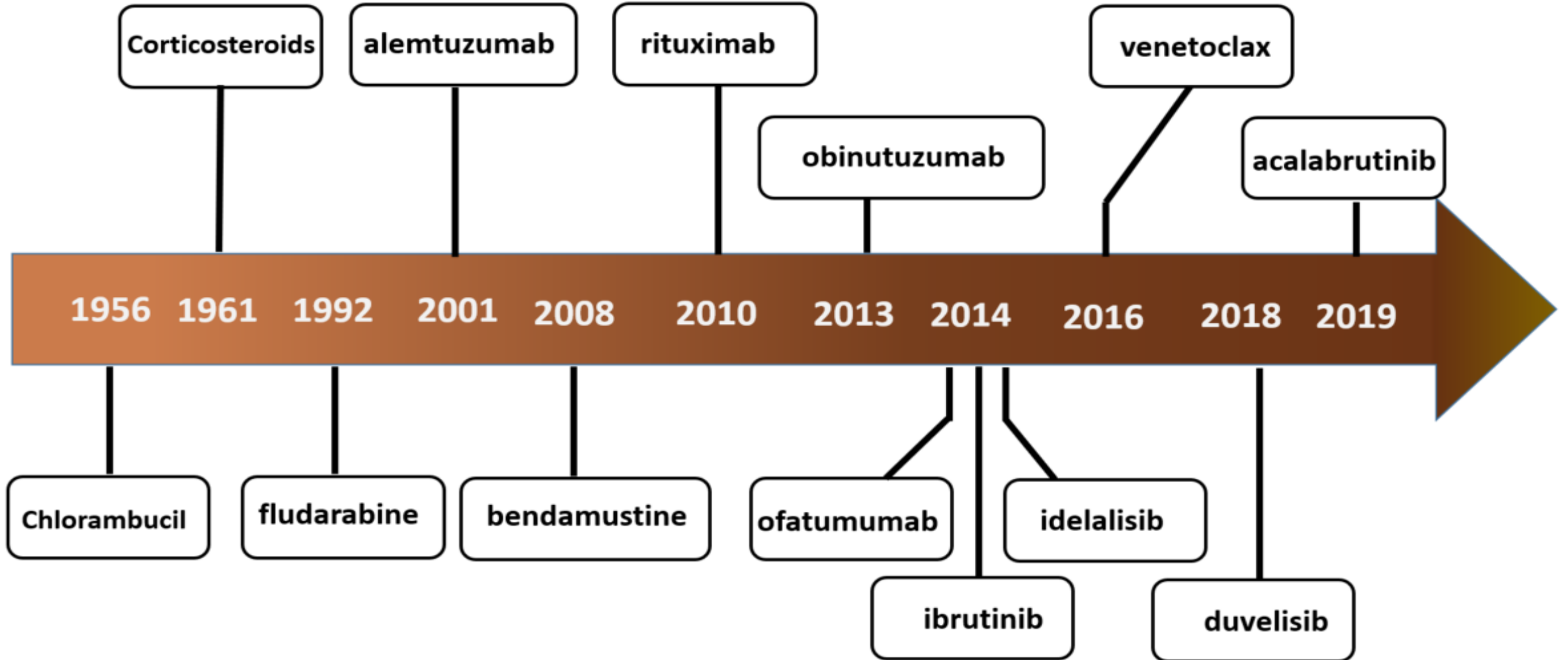
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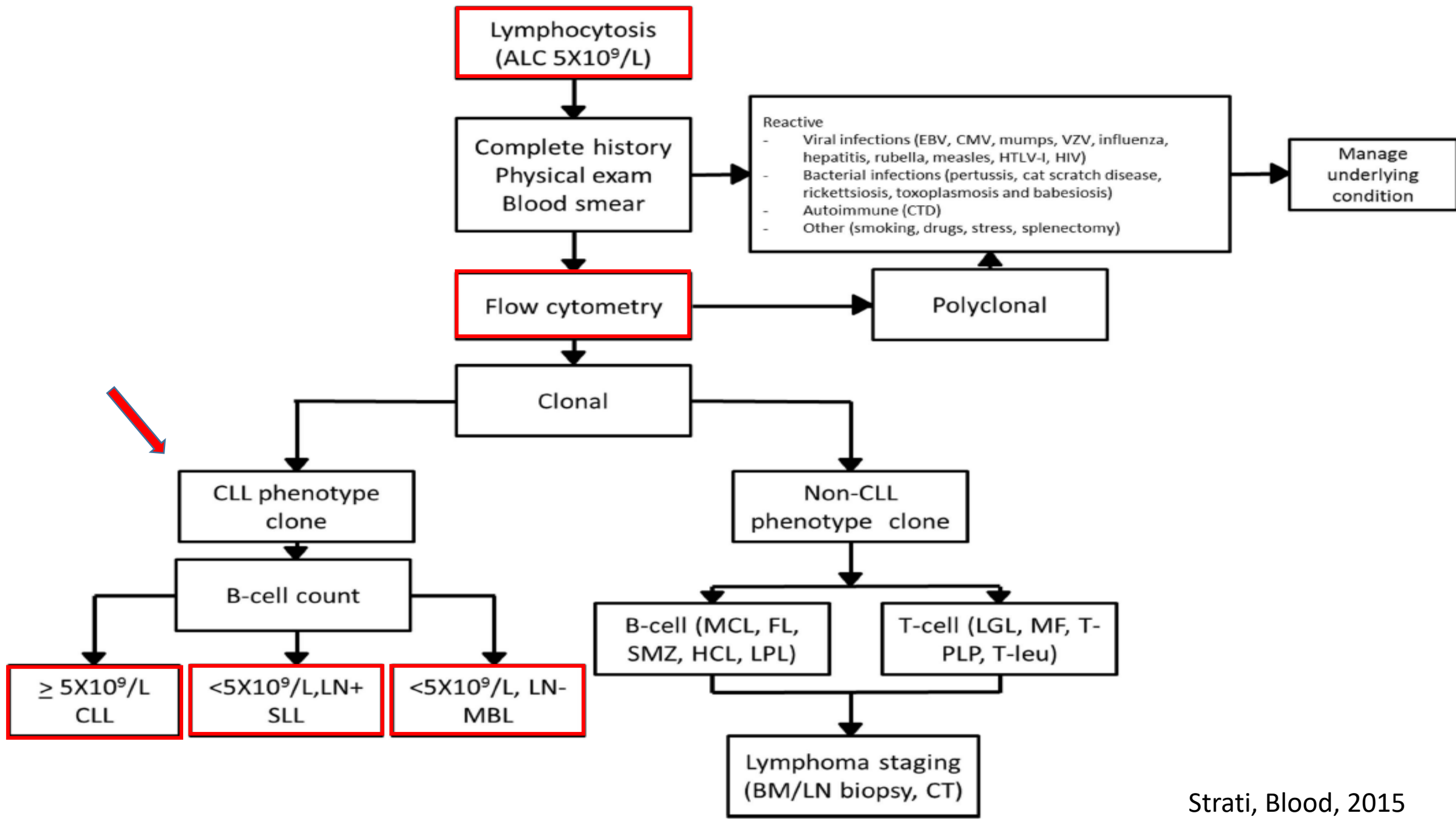
# Treatment options for CLL/SLL



# Epidemiology

- CLL/SLL is the most common leukemia in adults in western countries
  - 4.5 cases per 100,000
- Median age ~ 70 years
- Slight male predominance (1.7:1)
- Familial risk (7-8 fold)
- Caucasians > African Americans > Asian Pacific Islanders
- Genetic > Environmental

# Initial diagnosis and appropriate work-up



# Immunophenotypic Features

	CD5	CD10	CD23	CD103	BCL6	CD20	Cyclin D1
CLL/SLL	+	-	+	-	-	+ (weak)	-



# Immunophenotypic Features

	CD5	CD10	CD23	CD103	BCL6	CD20	Cyclin D1
CLL/SLL	+	-	+	-	-	+(weak)	-
MCL	+	-	-	-	-	+	+
LPL	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
sMZL	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
FL	-	+/-	-/+	-	+	+	-
HCL	-	-	-	+	-	+	+/-

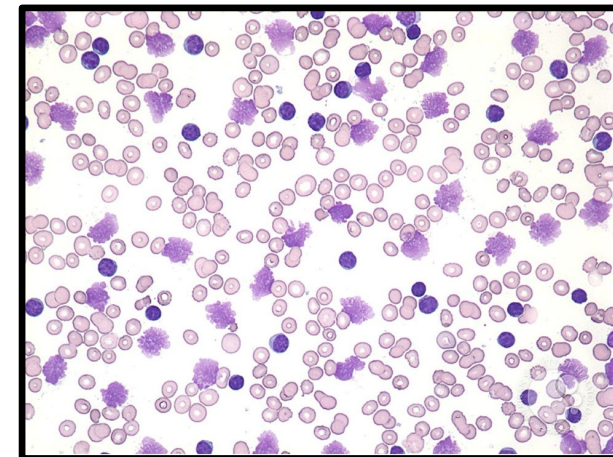
	CD23	Cyclin D1	t(11,14)
CLL/SLL	+	-	-
MCL	-	+	+

# MBL (monoclonal B cell lymphocytosis)

- $< 5 \times 10^9/L$  monoclonal B- cells in the PB AND no lymphadenopathy
- Almost all cases of CLL are preceded by MBL but only a small percentage of persons with MBL will ultimately develop CLL
- **Low-count MBL ( $< 0.5 \times 10^9/L$ ) → rarely progresses to CLL**
- **High-count MBL ( $\geq 0.5 \times 10^9/L$ ) → progresses to CLL at a rate of 1-2% /year**
- Up to 17 percent of first-degree family members of patients with CLL were found by flow cytometry to have MBL
- **Screening of family members is NOT recommended**

# Diagnosis

- Flow cytometry of blood is essential and adequate to make the diagnosis
- Biopsy may be needed if PB flow cytometry is not conclusive
- Cytogenetic and molecular studies are informative for prognostic and/or therapy determination .
- Baseline CT scan (or PET) is **NOT** required for asymptomatic patients  
(The ASH “Choosing Wisely” List)



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# Prognostic and predictive markers

# Staging for CLL

Rai Staging System for Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia			
Stage	Risk	Clinical Features	Overall Survival, y
Rai			
0	Low	Lymphocytosis in peripheral blood and bone marrow only	>10
I/II	Intermediate	Lymphadenopathy ± hepatosplenomegaly	7
III/IV	High	Anemia ± thrombocytopenia	<4

Use Ann Arbor staging for SLL

# Molecular Biomarkers for CLL

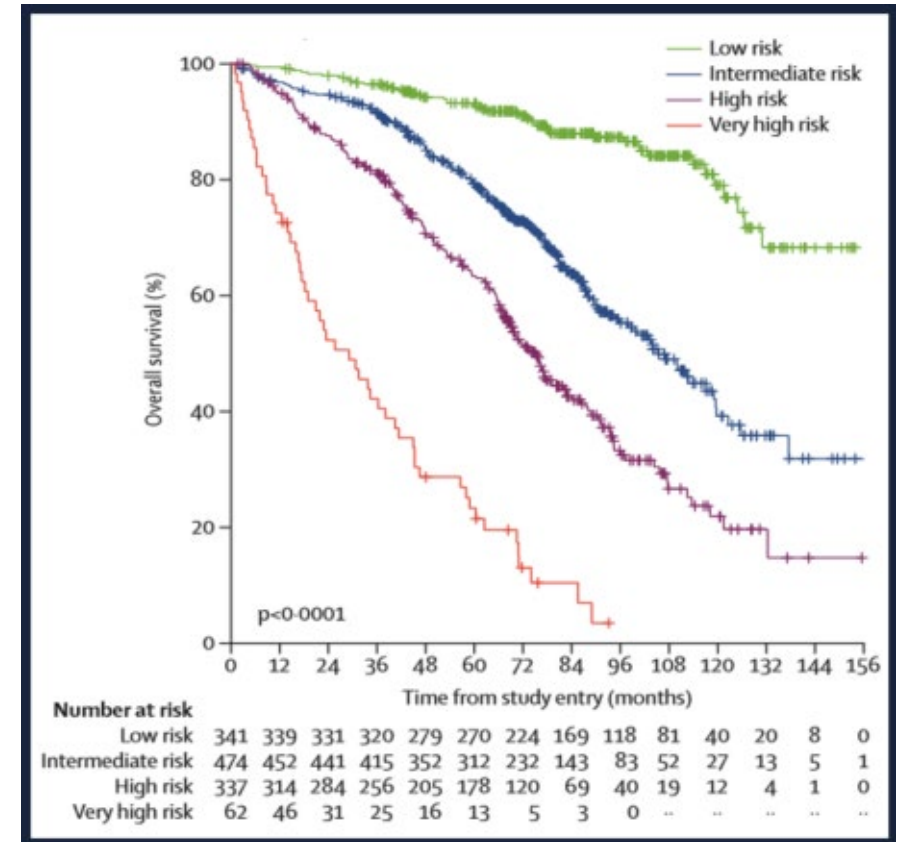
	FISH	Karyotype	Mutations
<b>Unfavorable</b>	del (17p) del (11q)	Complex (>3 abnormalities) (> 5?)	TP53 unmutated IGHV ( $\leq 2\%$ ) * NOTCH-1 SF3B1 BIRC3 ATM
<b>Neutral</b>	Normal +12		
<b>Favorable</b>	del (13q) (sole abnormality)		mutated IGVH (>2%)

\* If chemotherapy is used

# Prognostic Models: CLL-IPI

Characteristic	Points
Del(17p) or TP53 mutation	4
Serum beta-2-macroglobulin $\geq 3.5\text{mg/L}$	2
Un-mutated IgVH	2
Rai Stage I-IV	1
Age > 65 years	1

Points	Risk Group	5-y OS (%)	10-yr OS (%)
0-1	Low	93	79
2-3	Int	79	39
4-6	High	63	22
7-10	Very High	23	4



- ✓ Developed for chemoimmunotherapy
- ✓ Not validated for novel agents

# Important therapeutic agents for CLL



# What are the treatment options?

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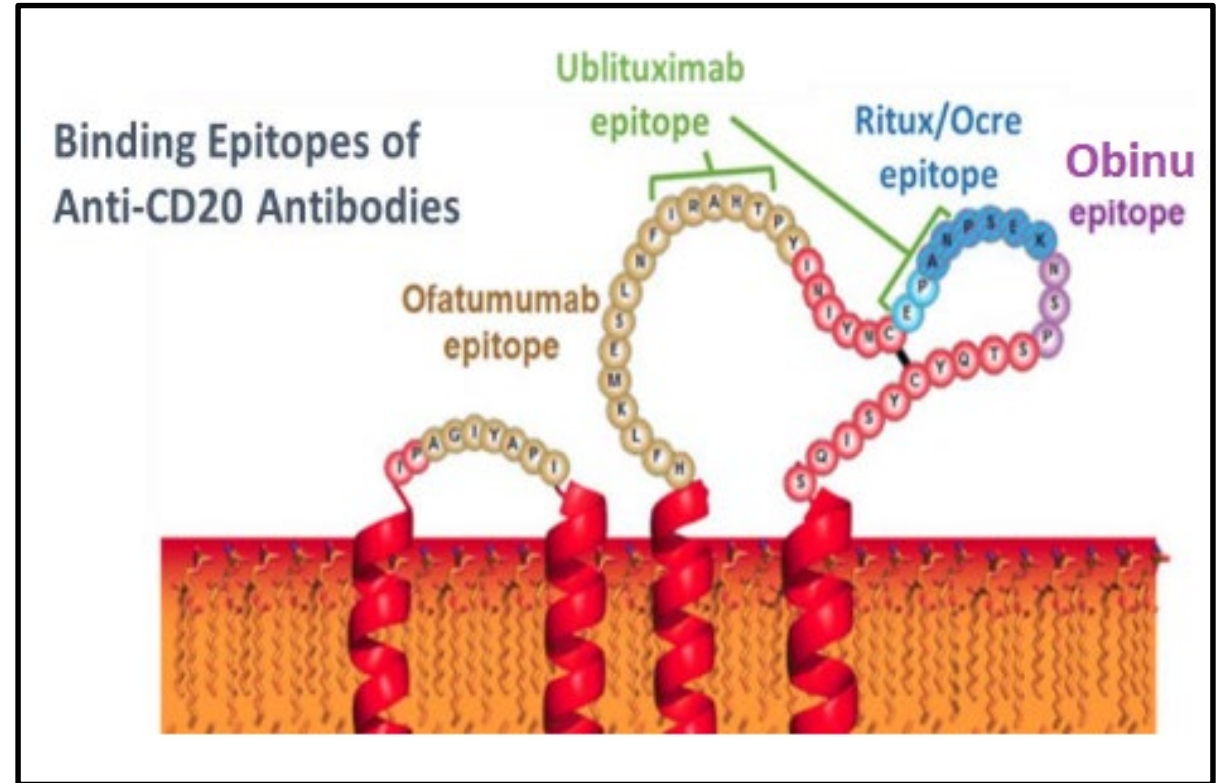
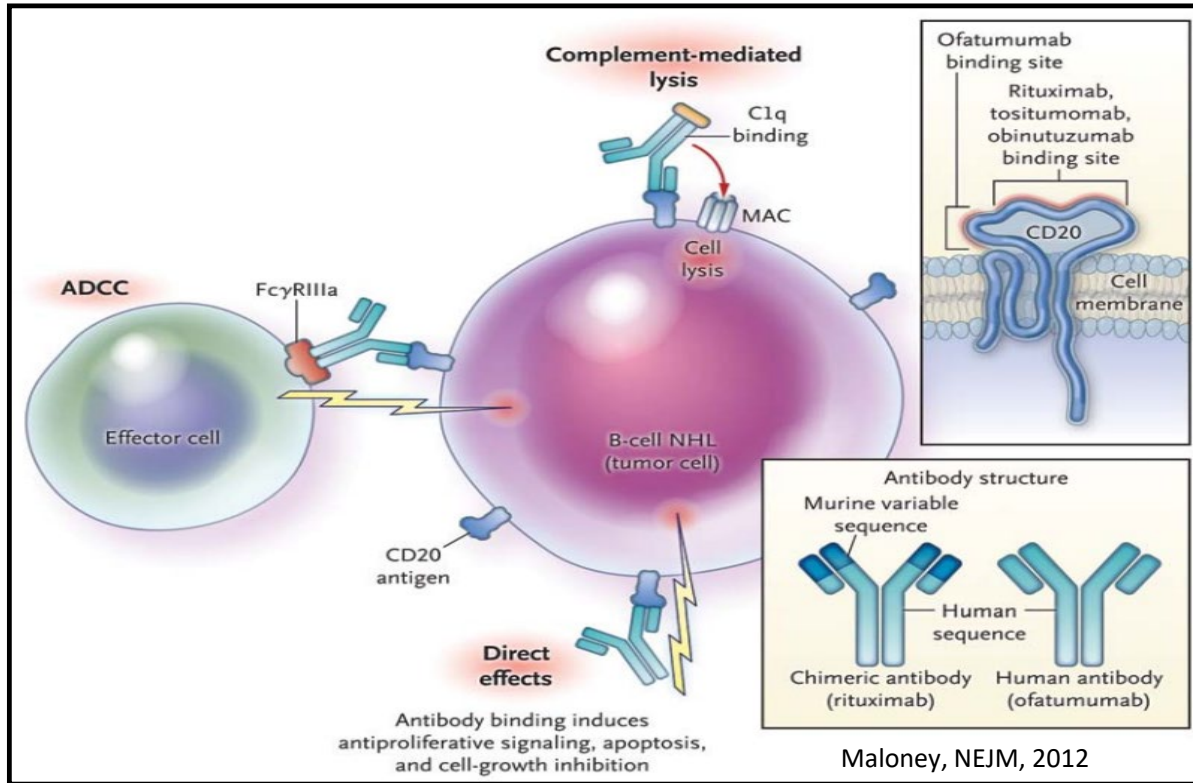
Chemotherapy	anti-CD20 Abs	BCR inhibitors	BCL-2 inhibitor
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• fludarabine</li><li>• cyclophosphamide</li><li>• bendamustine</li><li>• chlorambucil</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• rituximab</li><li>• ofatumumab</li><li>• obinutuzumab</li><li>• <b>ublituximab *</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>BTK inhibitors</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ibrutinib</li><li>• acalabrutinib</li><li>• <b>zanubrutinib*†</b></li></ul></li><li>• <b>PI3K inhibitors</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• idelalisib</li><li>• duvelisib</li><li>• <b>umbralisib * ‡</b></li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• venetoclax</li></ul>

\* Not FDA approved for CLL as of June 2021

† Approved for MCL and WM

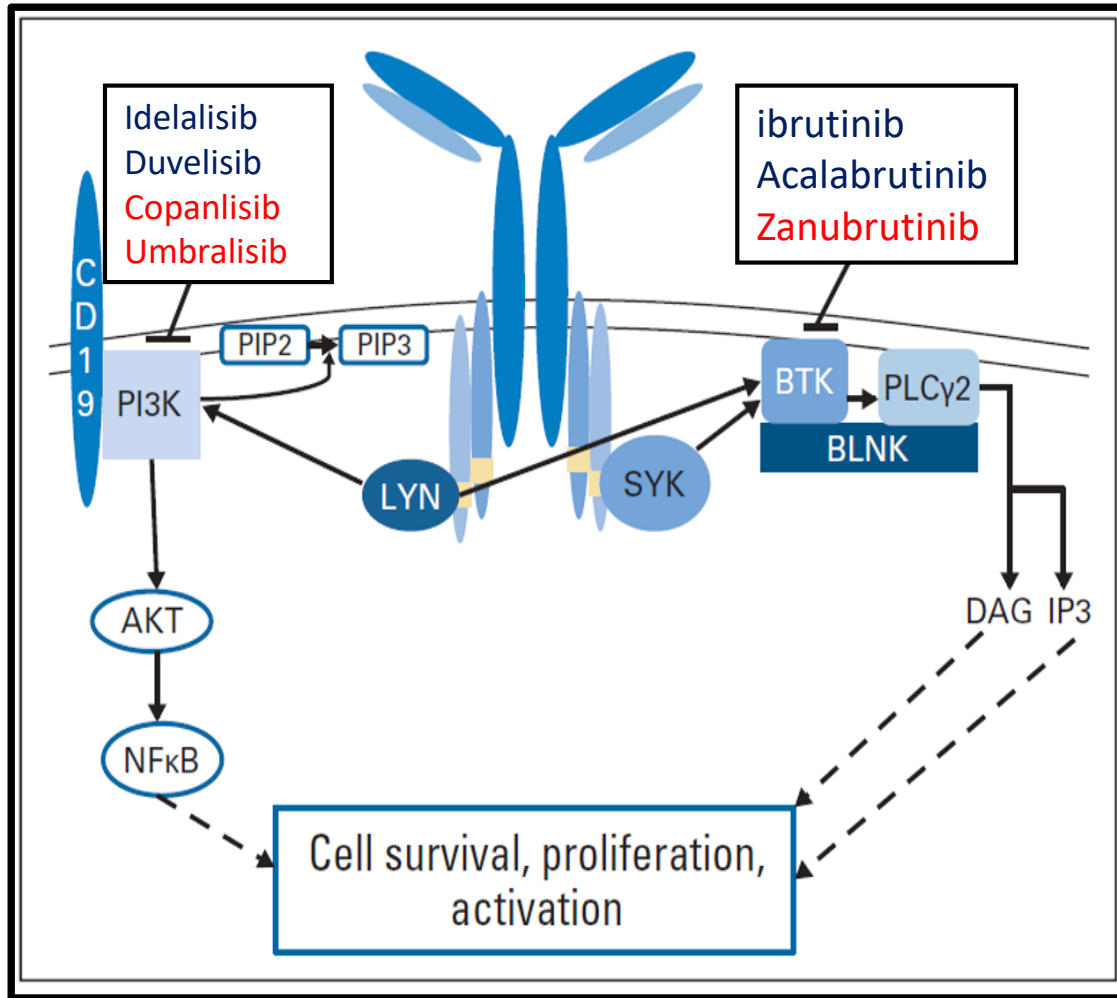
‡ Approved for MZL and FL

# Anti-CD20 antibodies

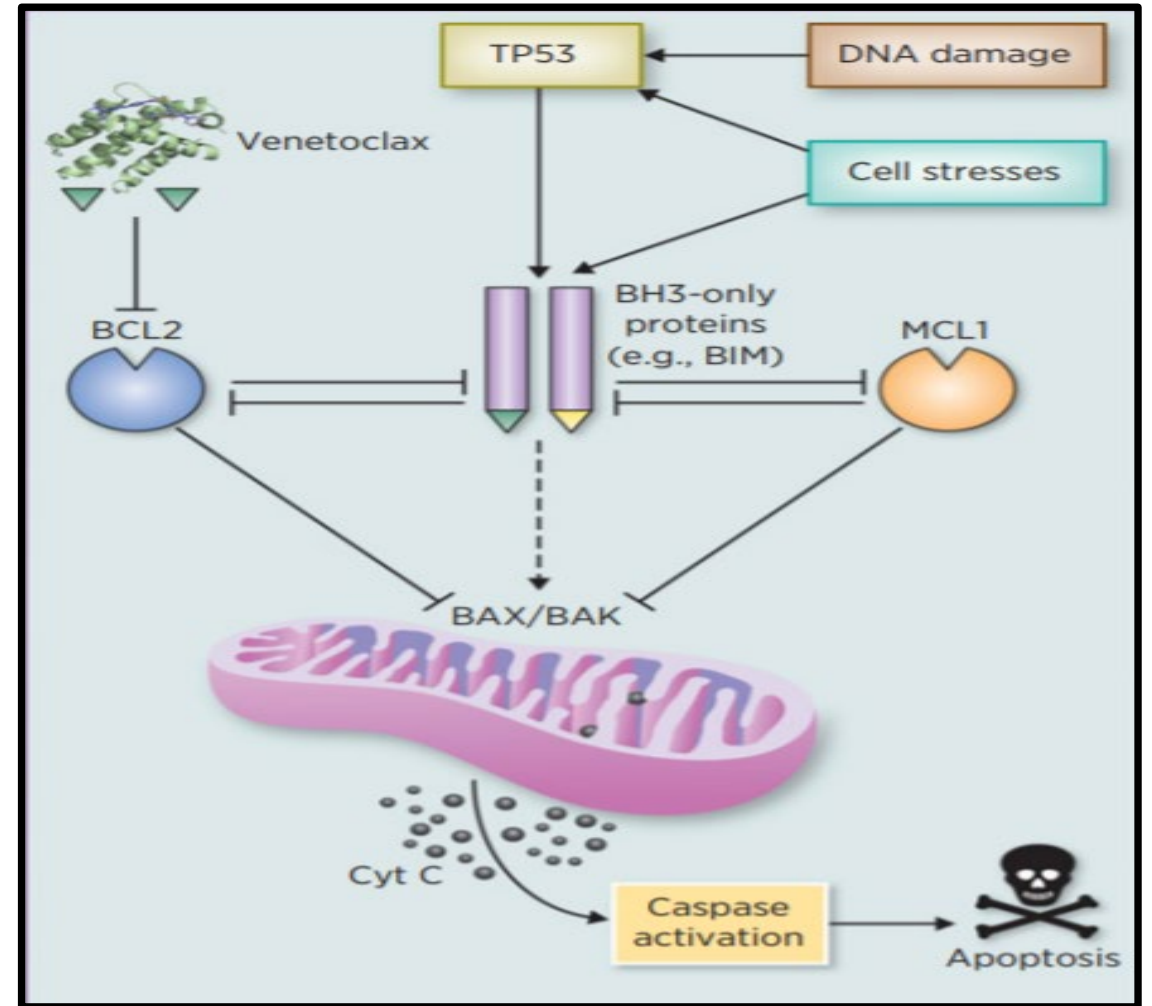


		Glycoengineered	Type	Direct effect	CDCC	ADCC
Rituximab	chimeric	No	I	↑	↑↑↑↑	↑↑
ofatumumab	humanized	No	I	↑	↑↑↑↑	↑↑
obinutuzumab	humanized	Yes	II	↑↑↑↑	↑	↑↑↑
<b>ublituximab</b>	<b>chimeric</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>↑</b>	<b>↑↑↑↑</b>	<b>↑↑↑↑</b>

# BCR Pathway inhibitors vs. BCL2 antagonist



Byrd, JCO, 2014



Roberts, CCR Drug Updates, 2017

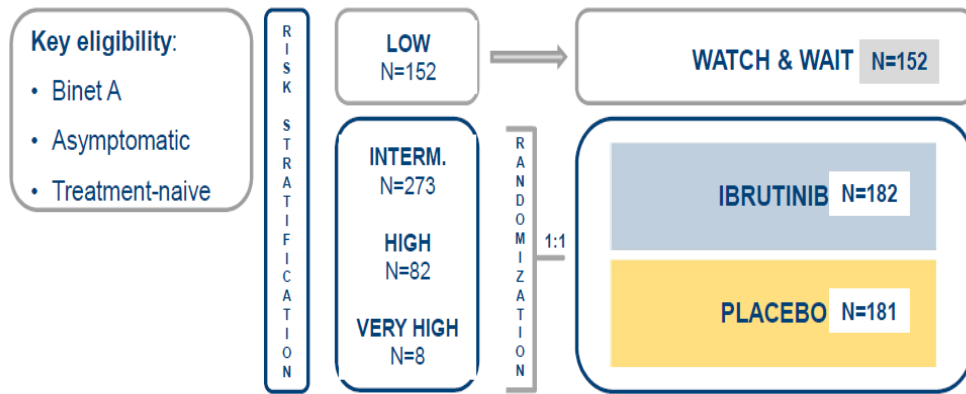
**Who needs to be treated?**

# Indications for treatment

- Progressive marrow failure
- Massive , progressive or symptomatic lymphadenopathy or organomegaly
- Constitutional symptoms
- Autoimmune anemia and/or thrombocytopenia that is poorly responsive to corticosteroids or other standard therapy
- ~~Lymphocyte doubling time~~

Is there a role for early intervention in “high-risk” patients?

# CLL-12 Study – Early intervention with Ibrutinib

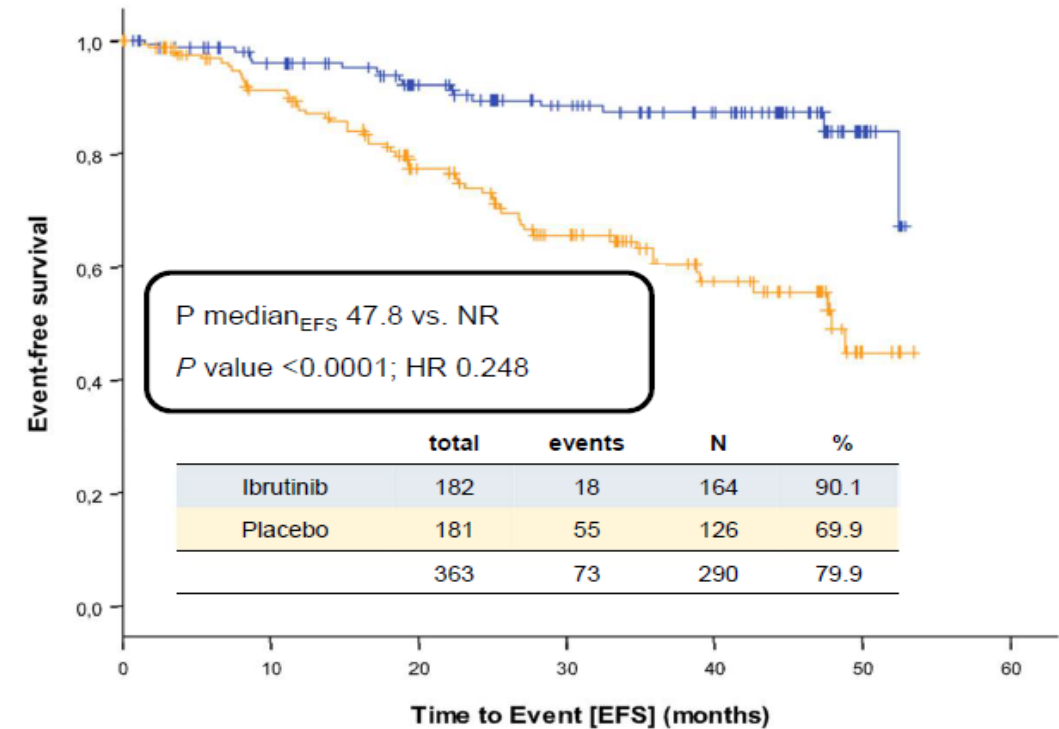


Phase 3, placebo-controlled, double-blind, multicenter trial

Primary endpoint EFS: time from randomization until **symptomatic** PD, new treatment, death

Secondary endpoints: survival, PFS, TFS, TTNT, ORR, safety

$\pi_2$ : median EFS from 24 to 48 months with ibrutinib (superiority test)



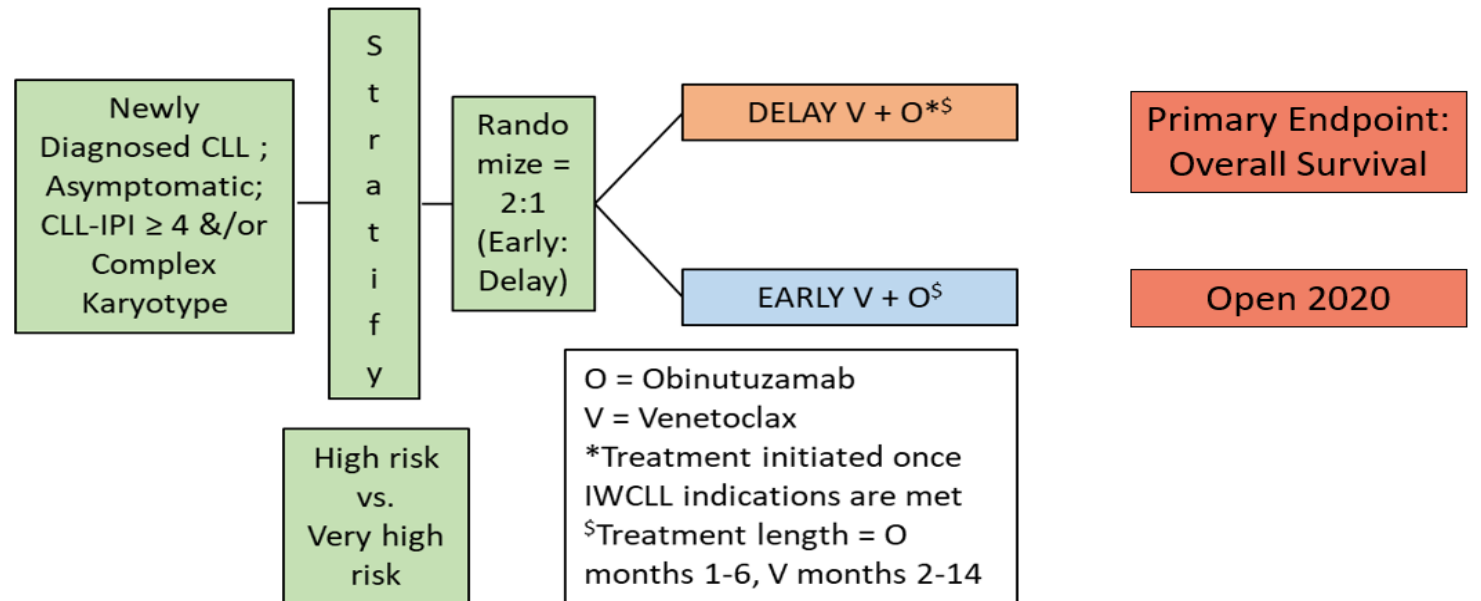
- No OS benefit
- Study is powered for OS so longer follow-up would be interesting
- **Early intervention with ibrutinib is NOT recommended at this time**

# Upcoming US Intergroups Early Intervention Trial with Venetoclax

## CLL-IPI

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Courtesy: Dr. Deborah Stephens (study PI)



# Treatment options for treatment-naïve patients (without del17p/P53 mutation)

# First line treatment for patients with normal TP53

For all  
pts:

**Acalabrutinib ± G**

OR

**Ibrutinib**

OR

**Venetoclax + G**

**FCR is not preferred but can be a reasonable option for selected patients if:**

- younger than 65 and fit
- mutated IGHV
- no evidence of del17p or TP53 mutation
- (no evidence of del 11q)

G = Gazyva = obinutuzumab

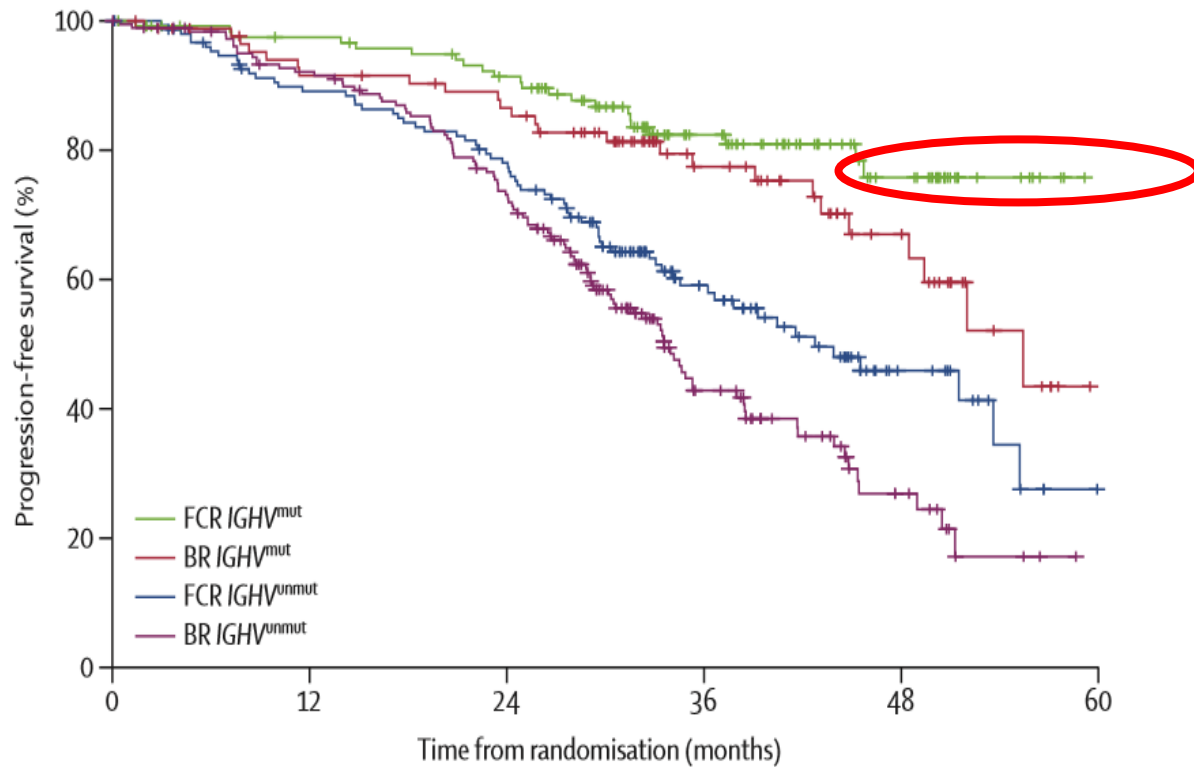
# Frontline (normalTP53)

Historical studies from the “chemo era”

Study	Treatments	N	Result	Outcome	Notes
German CLL10	FCR vs. BR	564	FCR > BR	PFS but not OS	No benefit if > 65 AML/MDS: 5% with FCR
German CLL11	CHL-obino vs. CHL-ritux vs. CHL	780	CHL-obino > CHL-ritux > CHL	PFS and OS	
RESONATE-2	Ibrutinib vs. CHL	269	Ibrutinib > CHL	PFS and OS	

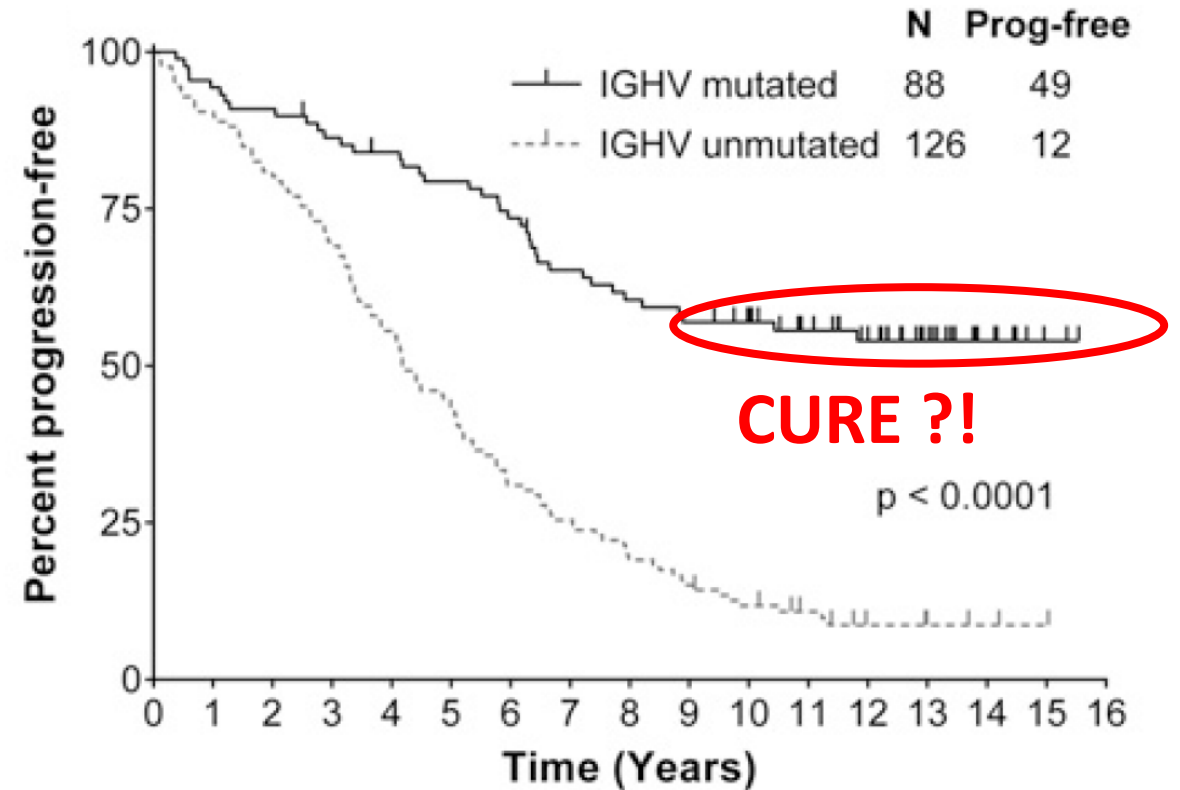
# IGHV mutation as a predictive marker for FCR

## CLL10 Study



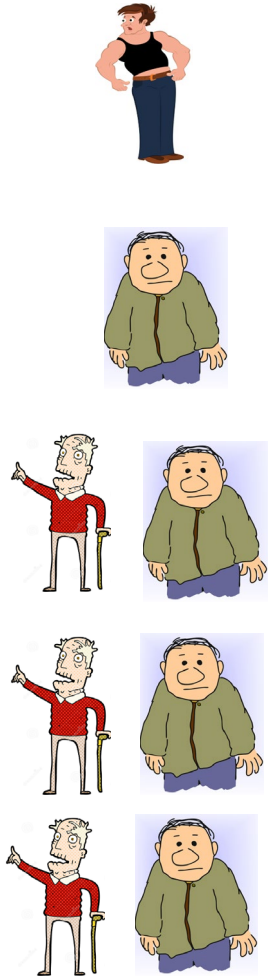
Eichhorst, Lancet Oncology, 2016

## MD Anderson



Thompson, Blood, 2106

# First line – Summary of novel vs. chemo studies

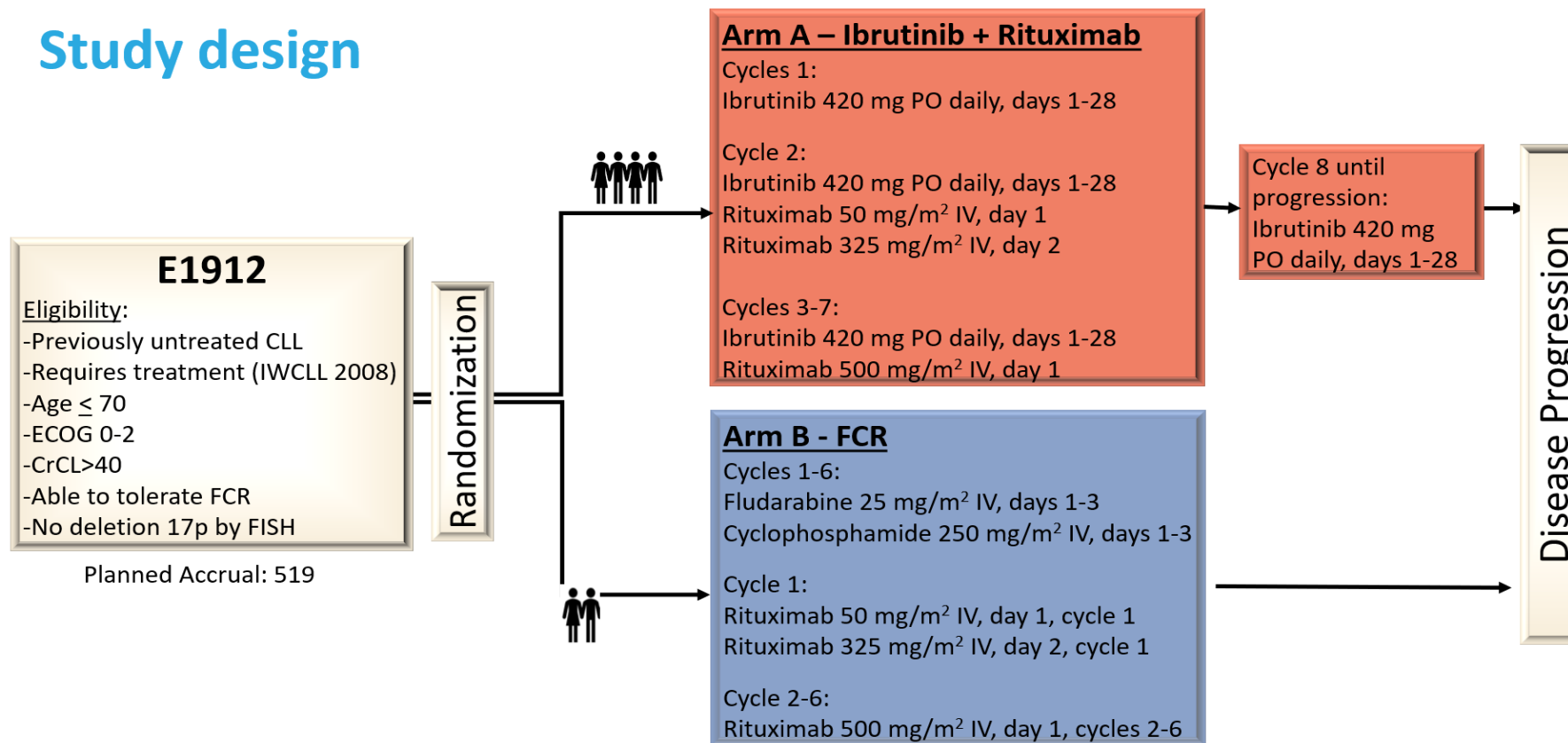


Fit and young	<b>FCR</b>	<b>?</b> <b>(E1912)</b>	<b>Ibrutinib +R</b>
Older	<b>BR</b>	<b>?</b> <b>(A041202)</b>	<b>Ibrutinib ± R</b>
Older or with comorbid conditions	<b>CHL+G</b>	<b>?</b> <b>(iLLUMINATE)</b>	<b>Ibrutinib +G</b>
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with comorbid conditions	<b>CHL+G</b>	<b>?</b> <b>(CLL14)</b>	<b>Venetoclax+ G</b>

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# FCR vs. IB+R (E1912 Study)

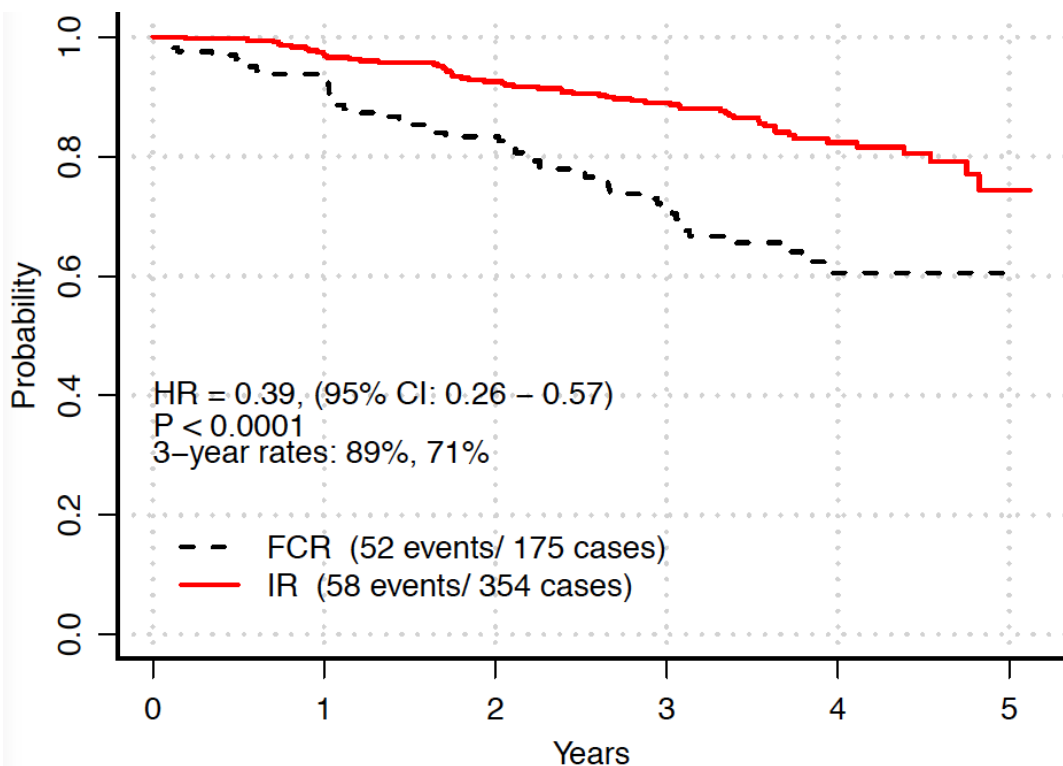
## Study design



# FCR vs. IR (E1912 Study)

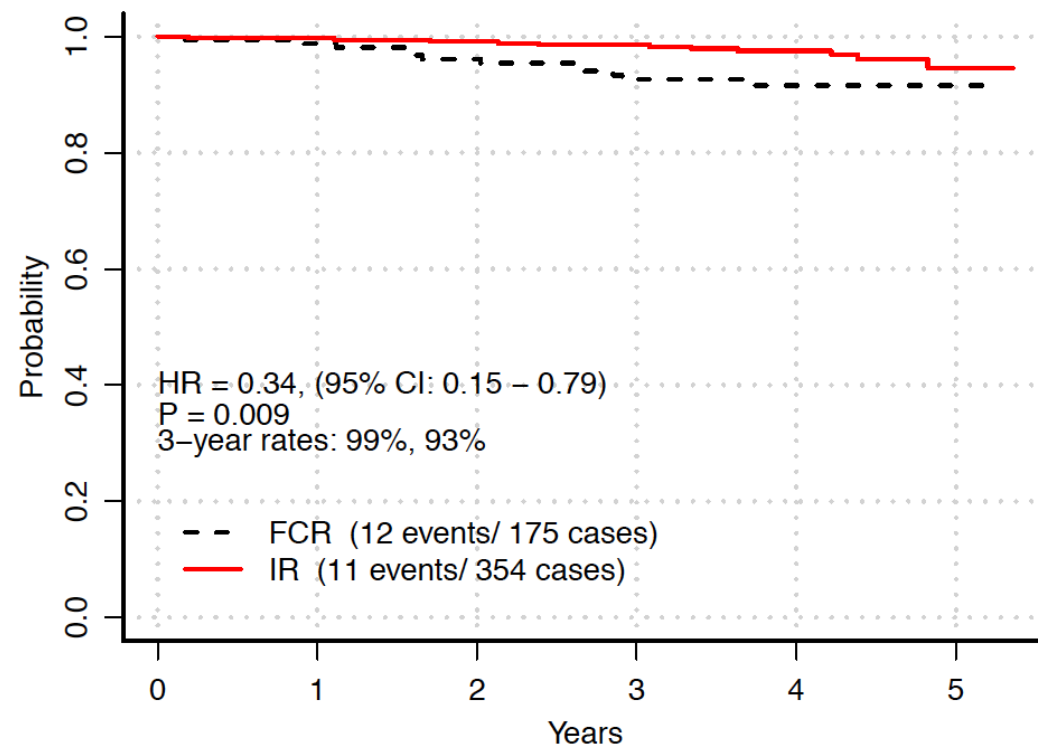
(48 months follow-up)

## Progression-free Survival



Number at risk		0	1	2	3	4	5
--	175	175	145	123	82	31	0
—	354	354	338	321	280	121	8

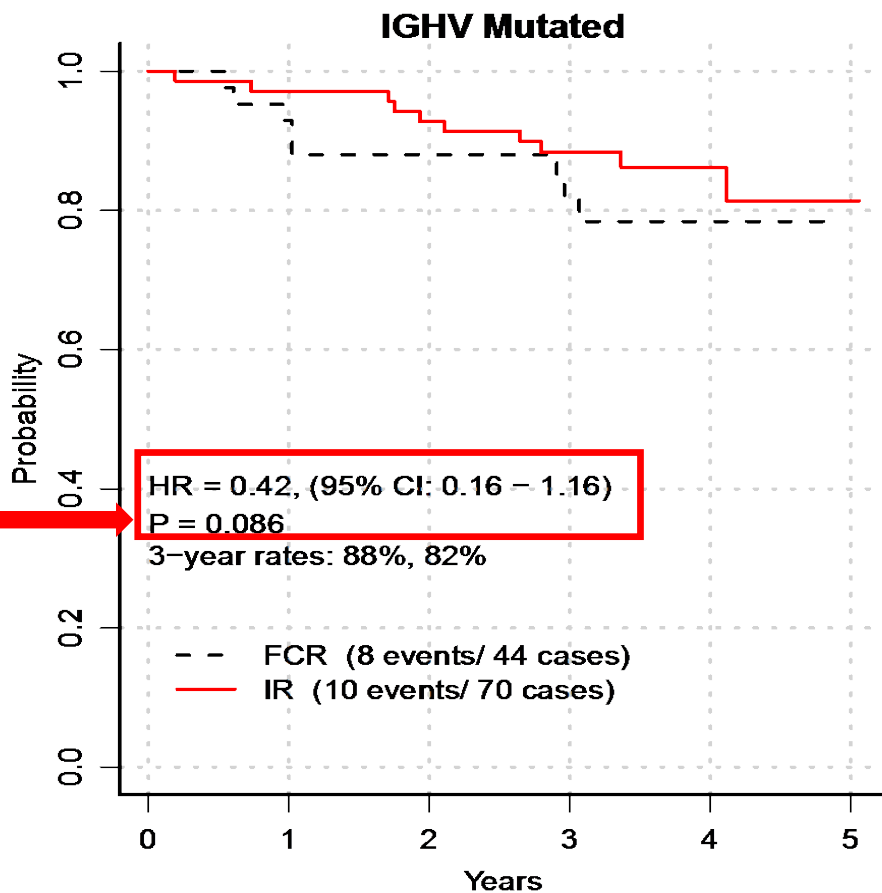
## Overall Survival



Number at risk		0	1	2	3	4	5
--	175	175	155	143	131	69	9
—	354	354	347	343	335	193	37

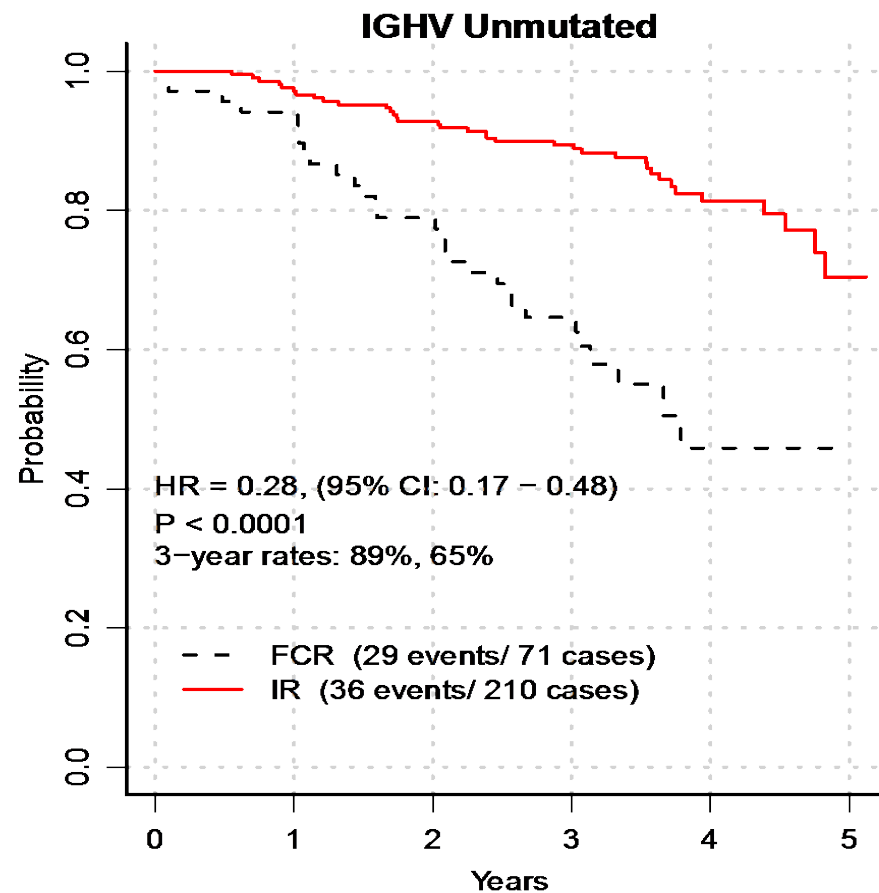
# FCR vs. IB+R (E1912 Study)

## (48 months follow-up)



Number at risk

--	44	38	34	25	11	0
—	70	67	64	54	20	1



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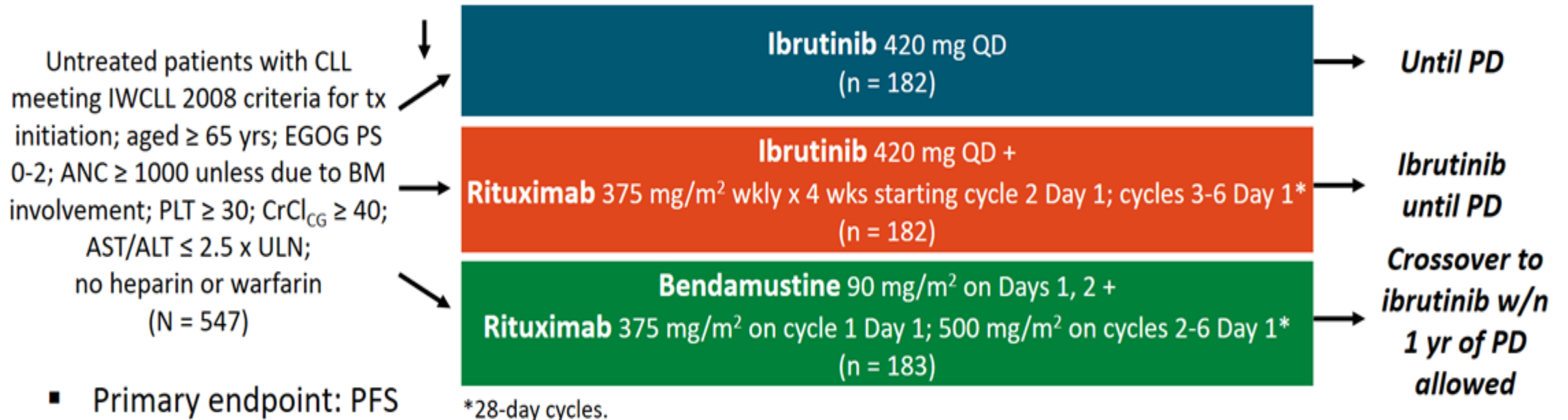
--	71	63	50	31	8	0
—	210	202	193	165	72	7



# BR vs. IB+R vs. IB (A041202 Study)

- Multicenter, randomized, double-blind phase III study (data cutoff: October 4, 2018)

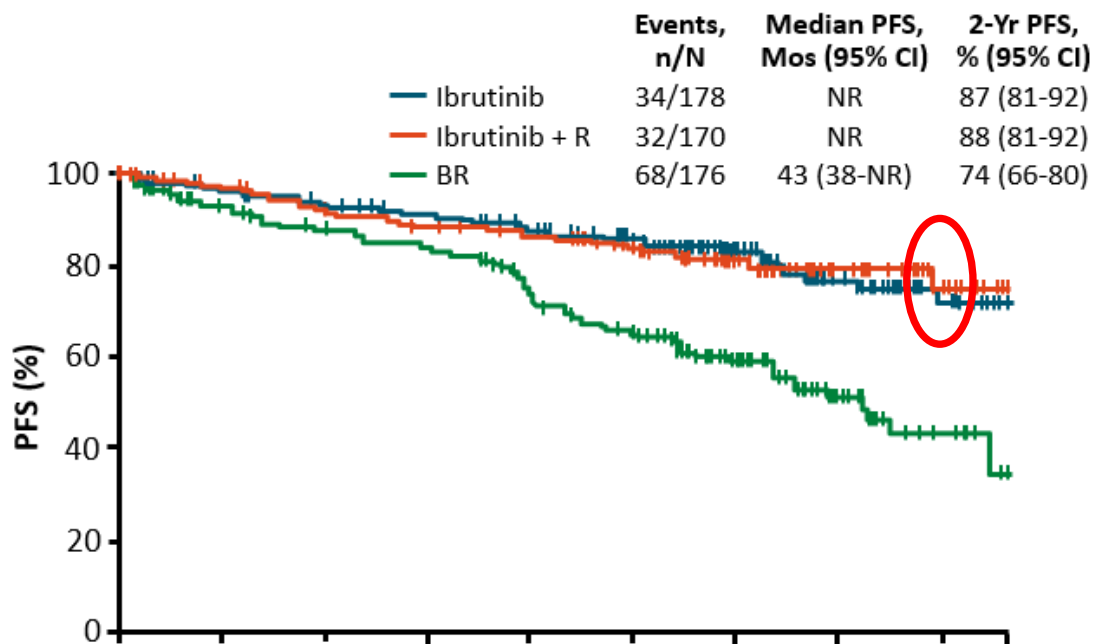
*Stratified by Rai stage (high vs intermediate risk), del(11q22.3) or del(17p13.1) (presence vs absence), ZAP-70 methylation (< vs ≥ 20%)*



- Primary endpoint: PFS

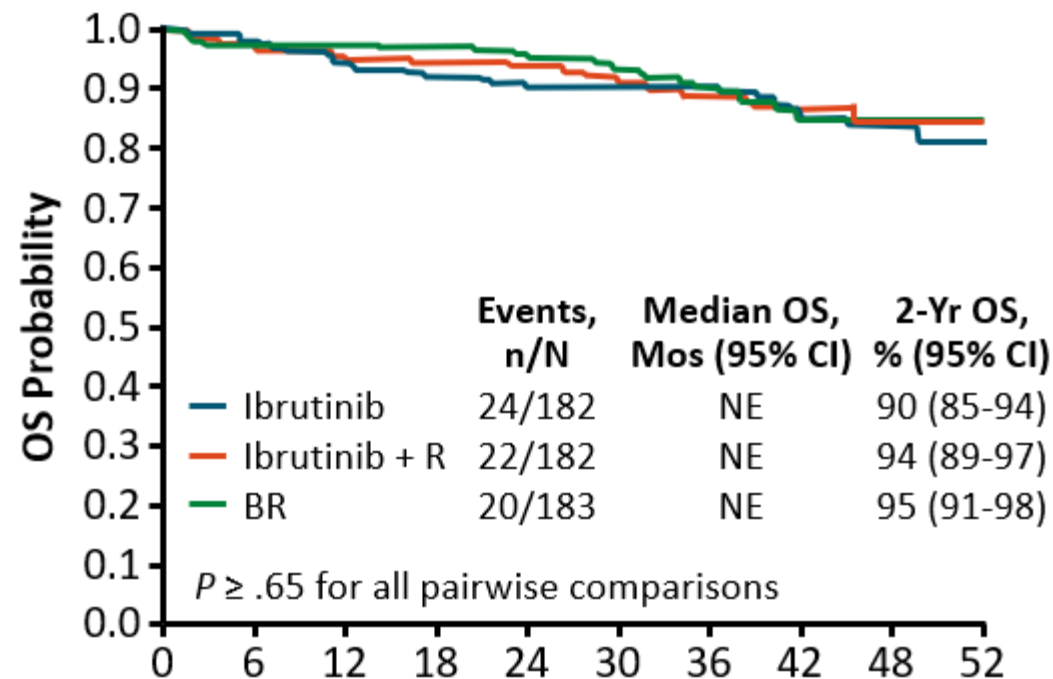
# A041202: Results

## Progression-Free Survival



Patients at Risk, n	Mos									
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	52
Ibrutinib	178	165	154	147	136	120	78	45	22	0
Ibrutinib + R	170	159	145	138	132	115	74	40	20	0
BR	176	140	129	122	103	88	57	26	11	0

## Overall Survival

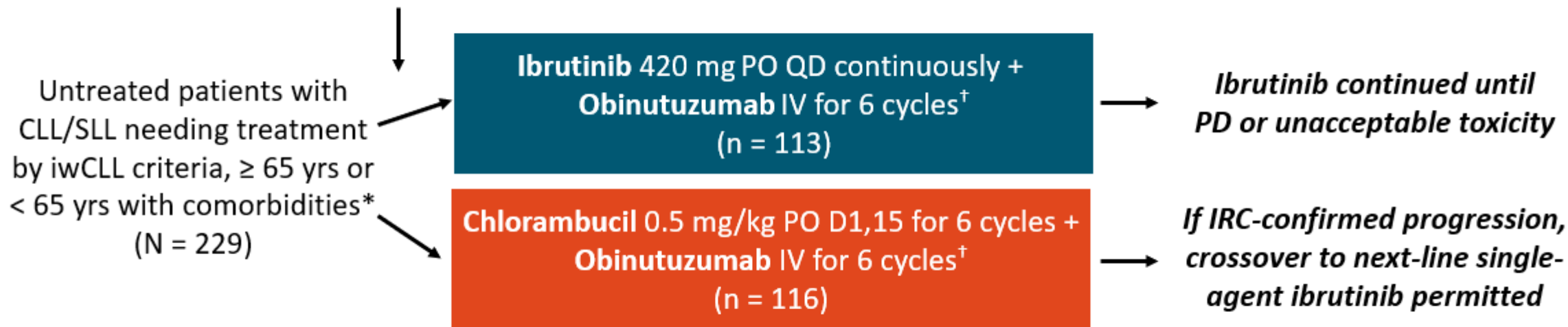


Patients at Risk, n	Mos									
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Ibrutinib	182	175	166	161	156	146	100	62	26	1
Ibrutinib + R	182	172	169	165	161	147	100	55	24	1
BR	183	166	163	160	153	143	98	53	23	1

# IB+G vs. CHL+G (iLLUMINATE)

- Randomized, open-label, multicenter phase III trial

*Stratified by ECOG PS (0-1 vs 2), del(17p)/del(11q) (+/+ vs +/- vs -/+ vs -/-)*



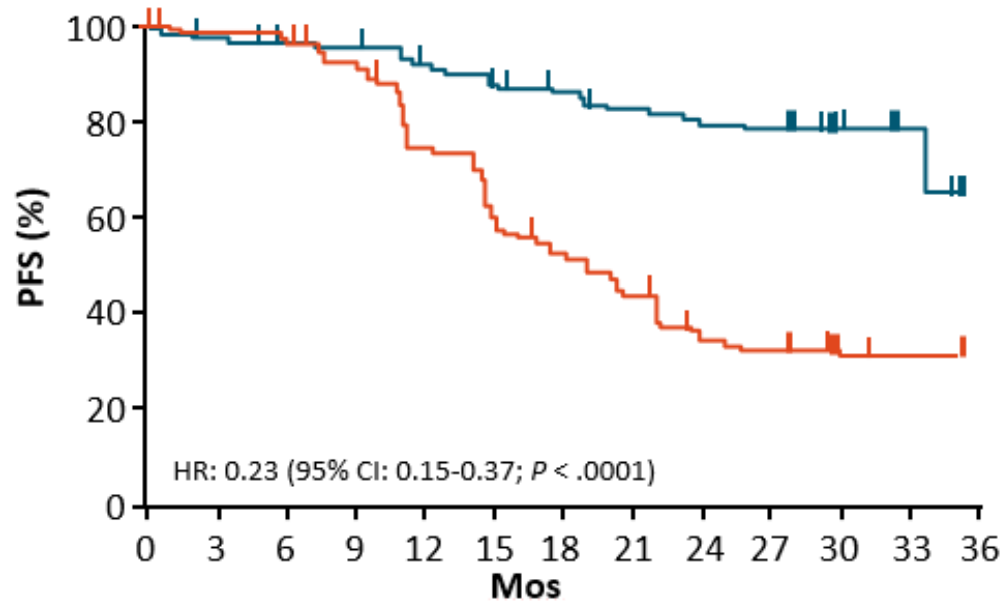
\*Cumulative Illness Rating Score  $> 6$ , creatinine clearance  $< 70$  mL/min, and/or del(17p)/TP53 mutation.

<sup>†</sup>Cycle 1: 100 mg, Days 1; 900 mg, Day 2; 1000 mg, Days 8, 15. Cycle 2-6: 1000 mg, Day 1.

- Primary endpoint: PFS

# IB+G vs. CHL+G (iLLUMINATE) Results

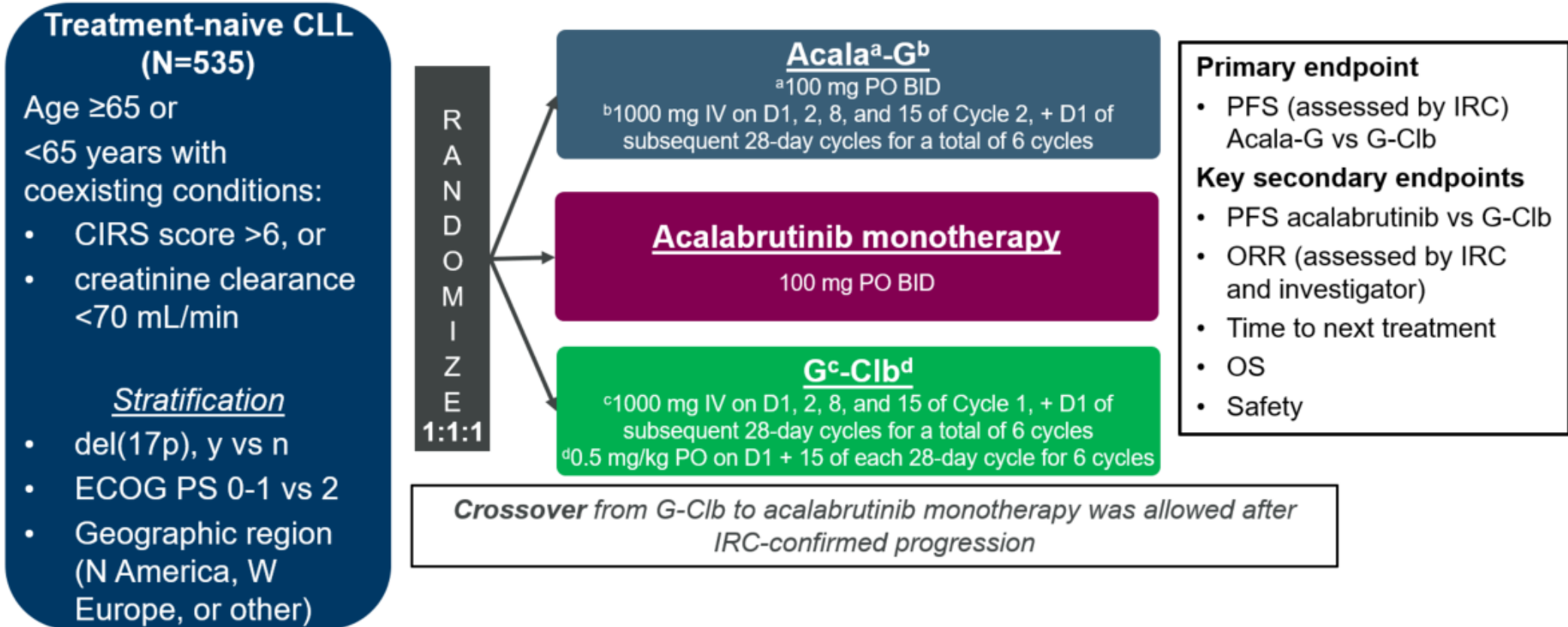
## Progression-free Survival



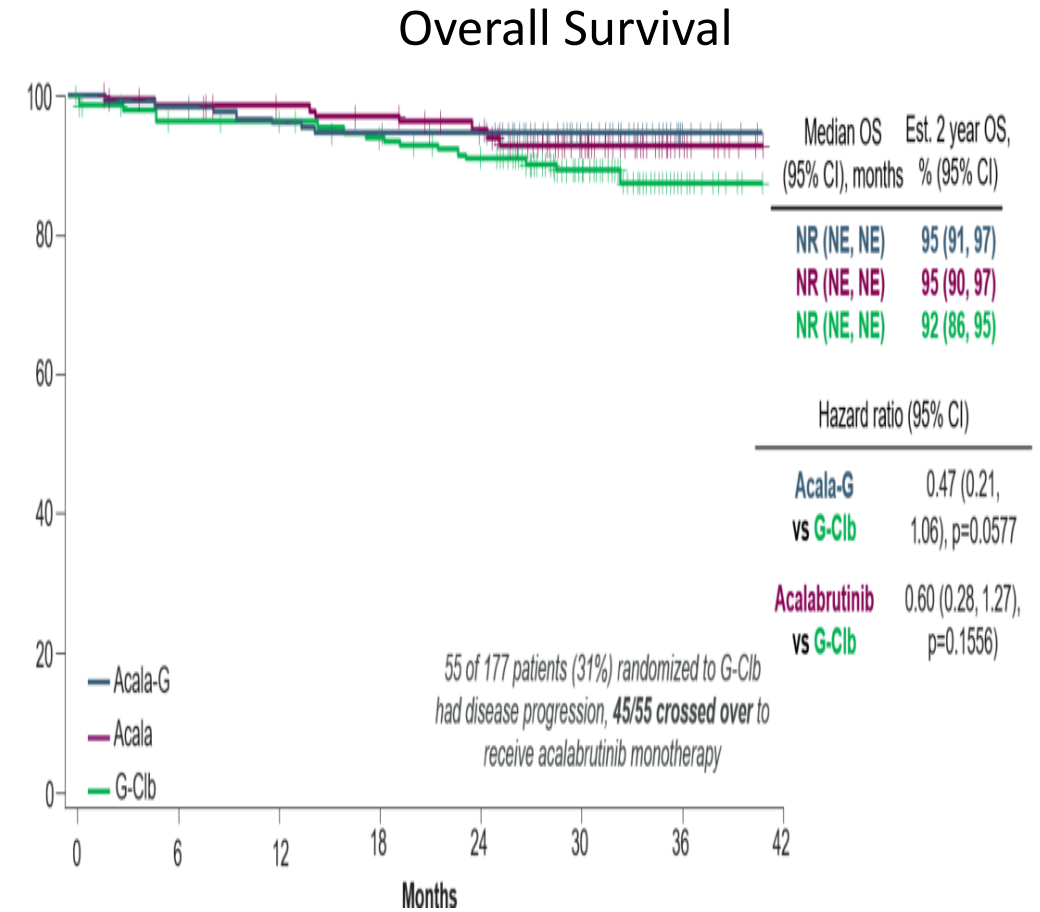
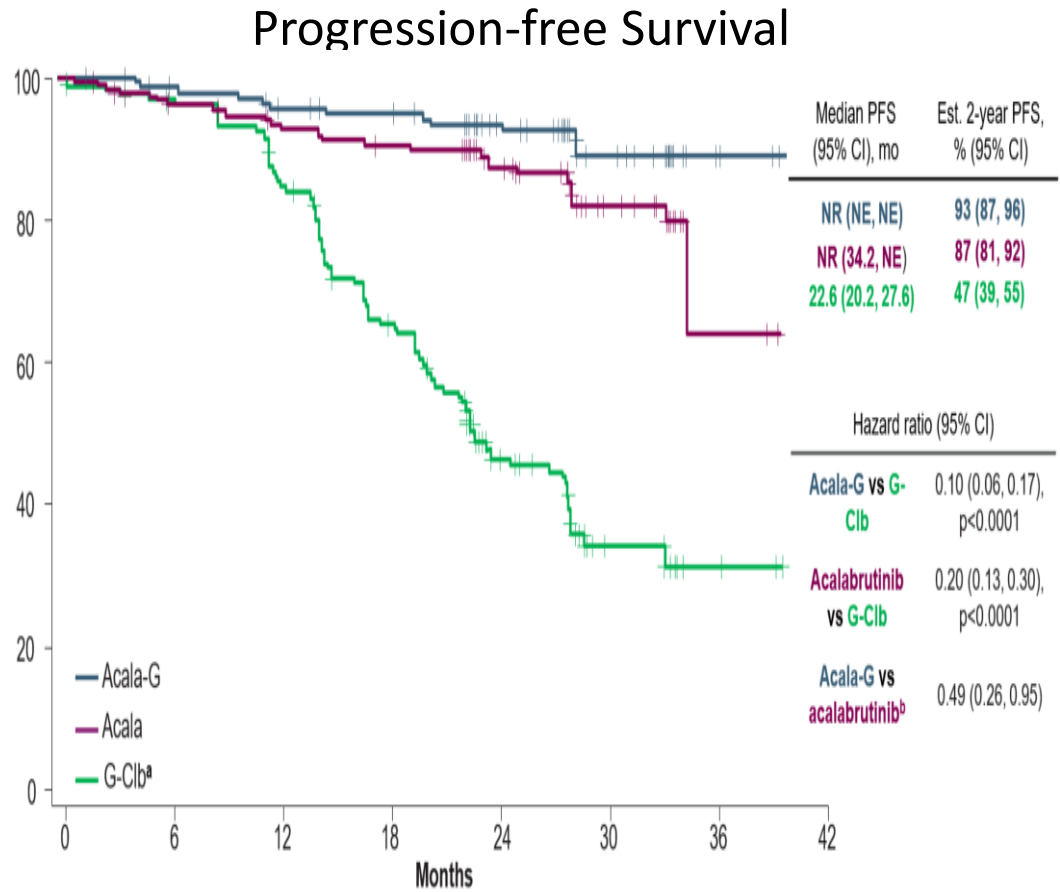
No Overall Survival Benefit

	Patients, n	Median PFS, Mos	30-Mo PFS, % (95% CI)
— Ibrutinib + obinutuzumab	113	NR	79 (70-85)
— Chlorambucil + obinutuzumab	116	19.0	31 (23-40)

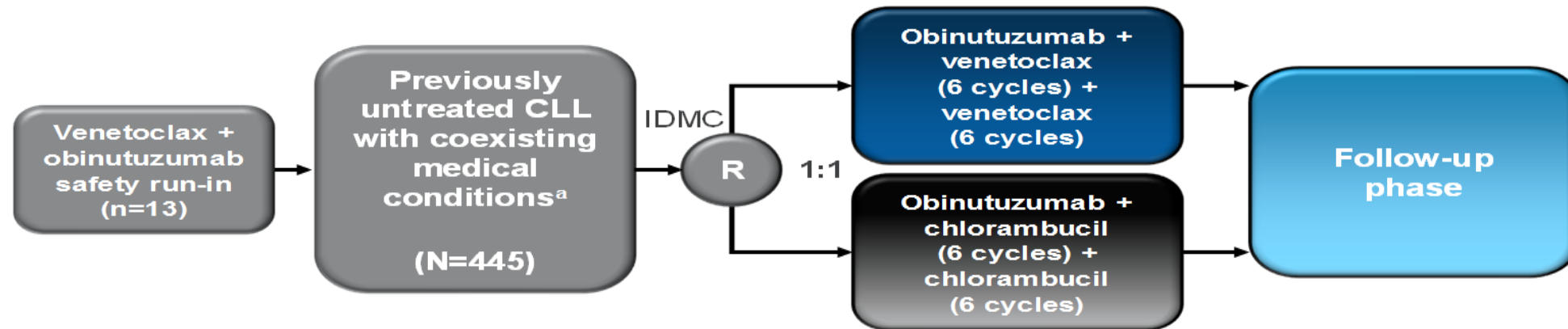
# Acalabrutinib ± G vs. CHL+G (ELEVATE)



# Acalabrutinib ± G vs. CHL+G (ELEVATE)



# Venetoclax + G vs CHL + G (CLL-14)



## Primary endpoint:

- PFS as assessed by investigator<sup>3</sup>

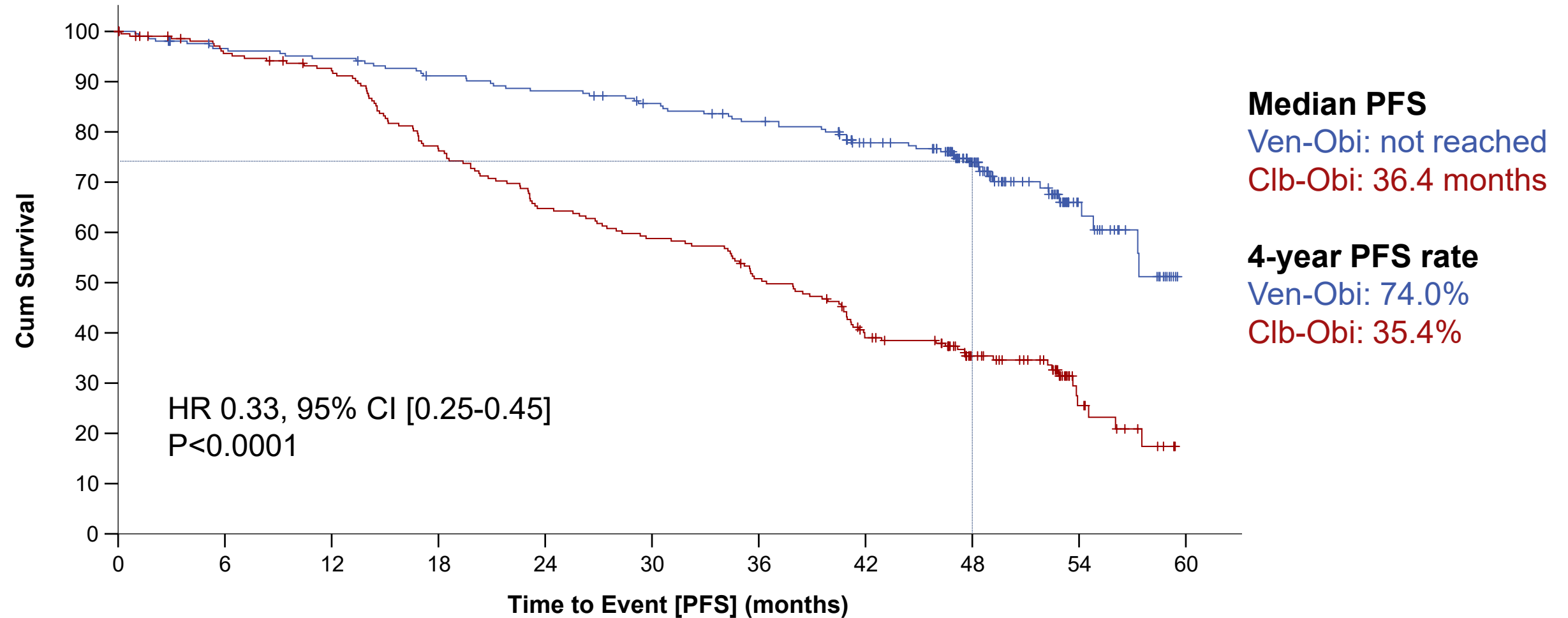
## Secondary endpoints<sup>3</sup>:

- PFS as assessed by IRC
- MRD
- ORR
- CR rate
- DOR
- EFS
- OS
- TTNT
- Safety

<sup>a</sup>CIRS >6 and/or CrCl <70 mL/min

# Venetoclax + G vs CHL + G (CLL-14)

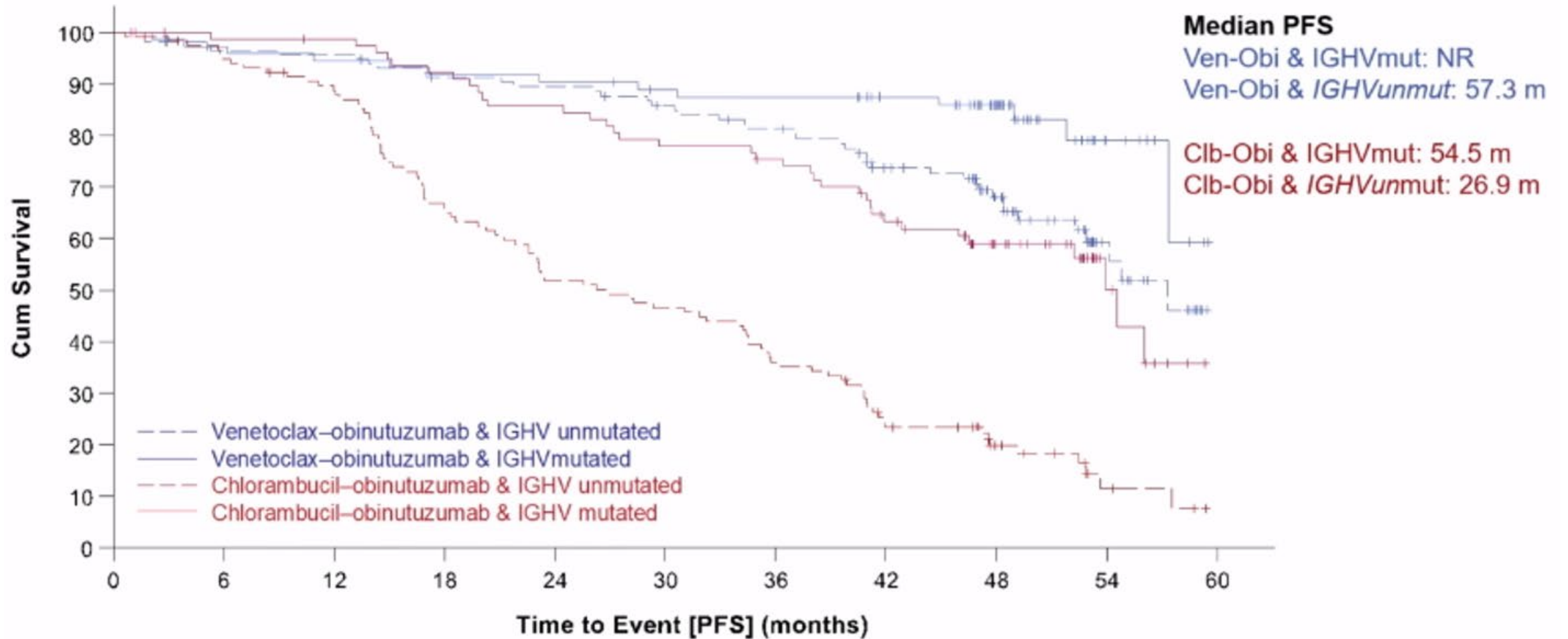
(52.4 months follow-up)





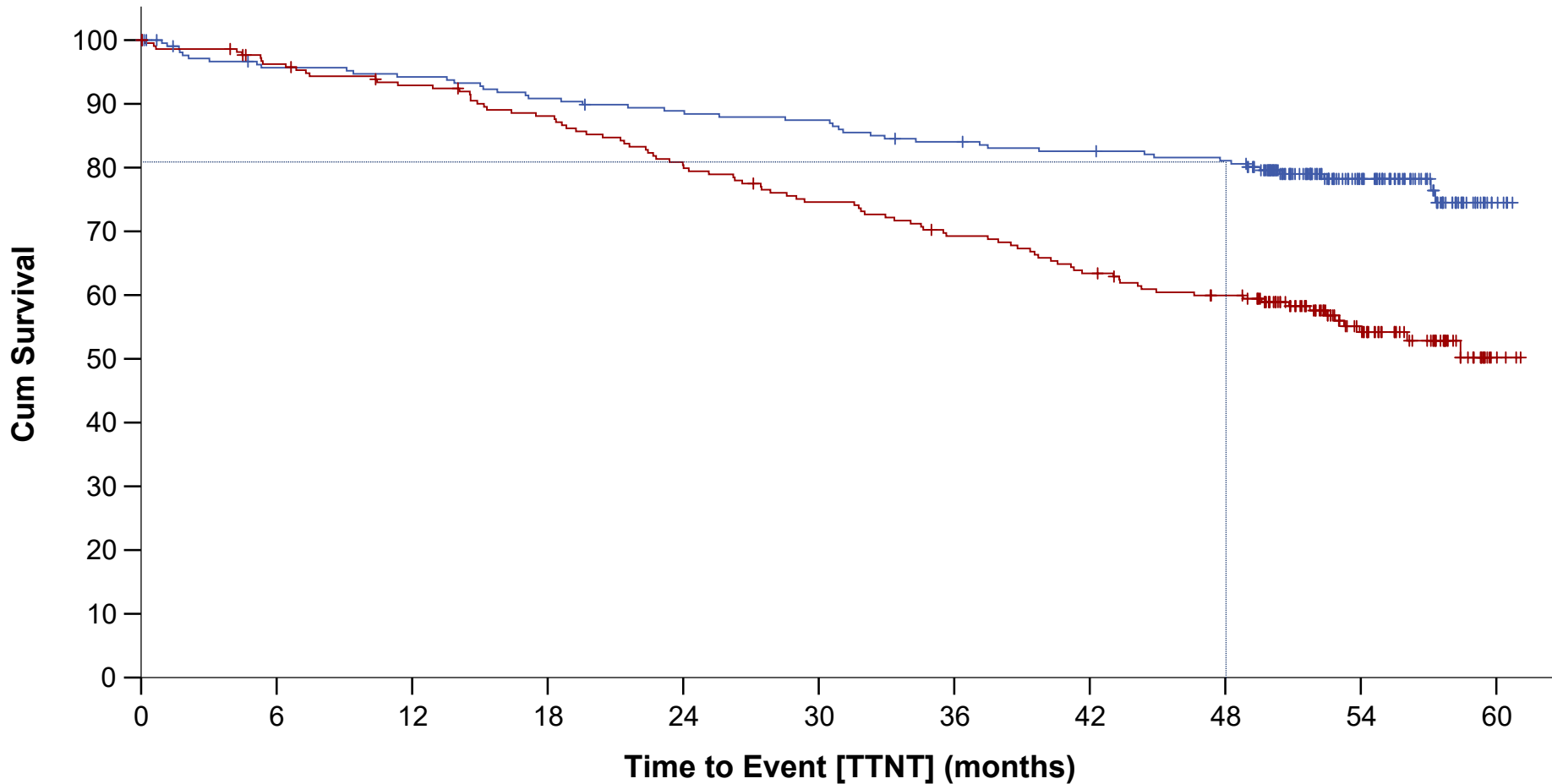
# 4-YEAR FOLLOW-UP: PFS – IGHV STATUS

Median observation time 52.4 months



# 4-YEAR FOLLOW-UP: TIME TO NEXT TREATMENT

Median observation time 52.4 months



## Median TTNT

Ven-Obi: not reached

Clb-Obi: not reached

## 4-year TTNT rate

Ven-Obi: 81.08%

Clb-Obi: 59.9%

## Next anti-leukemic therapy:

Ven-Obi: 35 PDs – 17 NLT

Clb-Obi: 122 PDs – 70 NLT

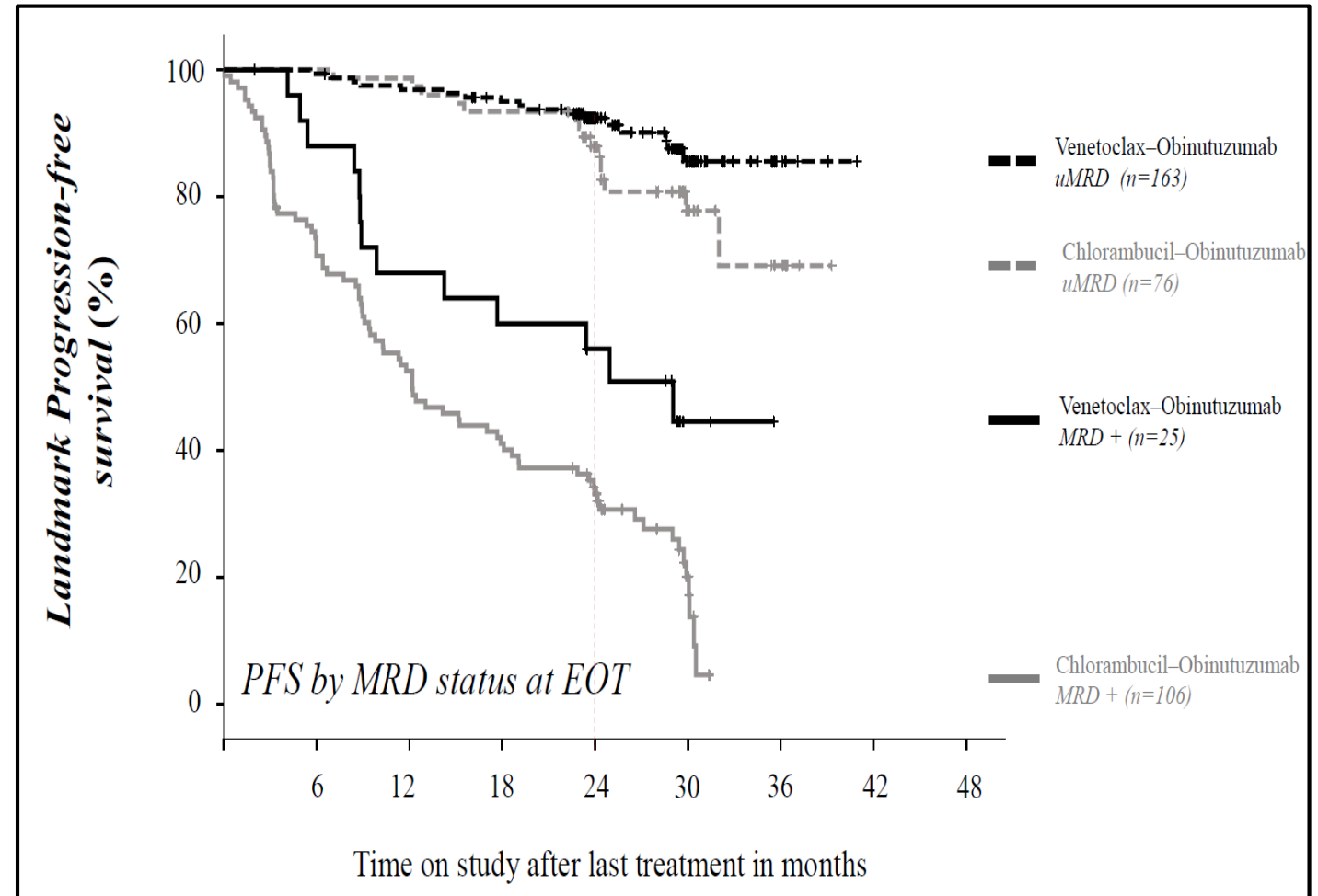
HR 0.46, 95% CI [0.32-0.65]

P<0.0001

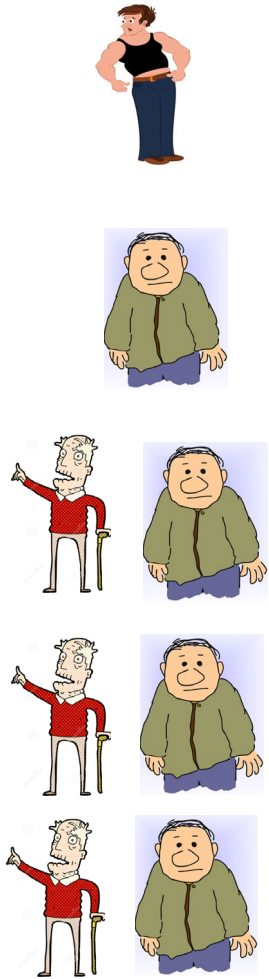
# uMRD4 at the end of treatment (12 months) and PFS

	Venetoclax- Obinutuzumab	Chlorambucil- Obinutuzumab	P value
Number of patients, N	216	216	
<b>Peripheral blood</b>			
Negative ( $<10^{-4}$ )	76 %	35 %	$< 0.001$
Negative ( $<10^{-4}$ ) in complete response	42 %	14 %	$< 0.001$
<b>Bone marrow</b>			
Negative ( $<10^{-4}$ )	57 %	17 %	$< 0.001$
Negative ( $<10^{-4}$ ) in complete response	34 %	11 %	$< 0.001$

By ASO-PCR 3 months after completion of treatment



# First line – Summary of novel vs. chemo studies



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# First line treatment for patients normal TP53

For all pts:

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OR

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# BTKis vs. Ven-Obino

BTKi (Acalabrutinib/Ibrutinib)	Ven-G
Indefinite treatment (responses mostly PR)	Fixed-duration ; High CR and uMRD rate
Easier to start	<u>Time-limited treatment</u>
Preferred in patients who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can't follow the ramp-up schedule for venetoclax</li> <li>• Significant/unstable renal issues</li> </ul>	Preferred in patients with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cardiac (arrythmia, HTN)</li> <li>• Bleeding issues</li> </ul>
uMRD achievement is irrelevant	uMRD status after treatment is important
Can use after Ven and is effective	Can use after BTKi and is effective
Favored in patients with del17p or mutated TP53	If uses for del17p/mTP53, prefer continuous treatment

- **No head-to-head comparison**
- **Both are reasonable options**
- **Consider patient and disease factors**
- **Look at pros and cons for each**

# Treatment options for previously treated patients (without del17p/P53 mutation)

# Previously Treated CLL Summary

For all pts:

**Acalabrutinib**

OR

**Ibrutinib**

OR

**Venetoclax + R**

**Duvelisib**

OR

**Idelalisib**

R = rituximab



# Previously Treated CLL Summary

## 1. First

- **Venetoclax + Rituximab**  
or
- **BTKi : acalabrutinib or Ibrutinib**

## 2. Second

- **Ibrutinib/acalabrutinib if previously treatment with Ven**
- **Ven-R if previously treated with BTKi (ibrutinib or acalabrutinib)**

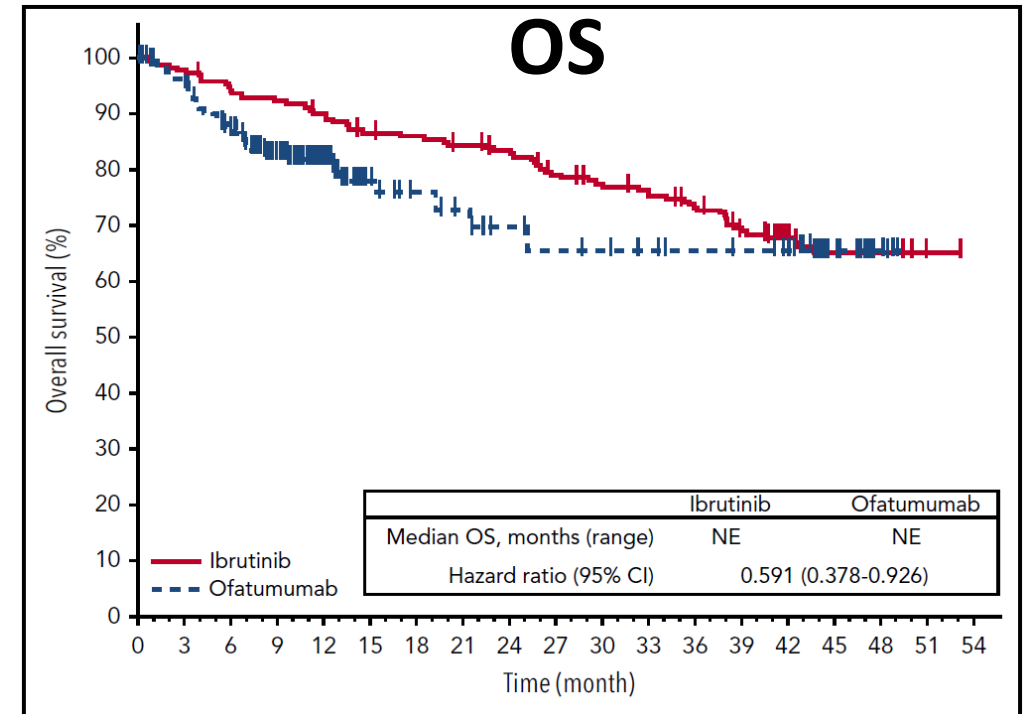
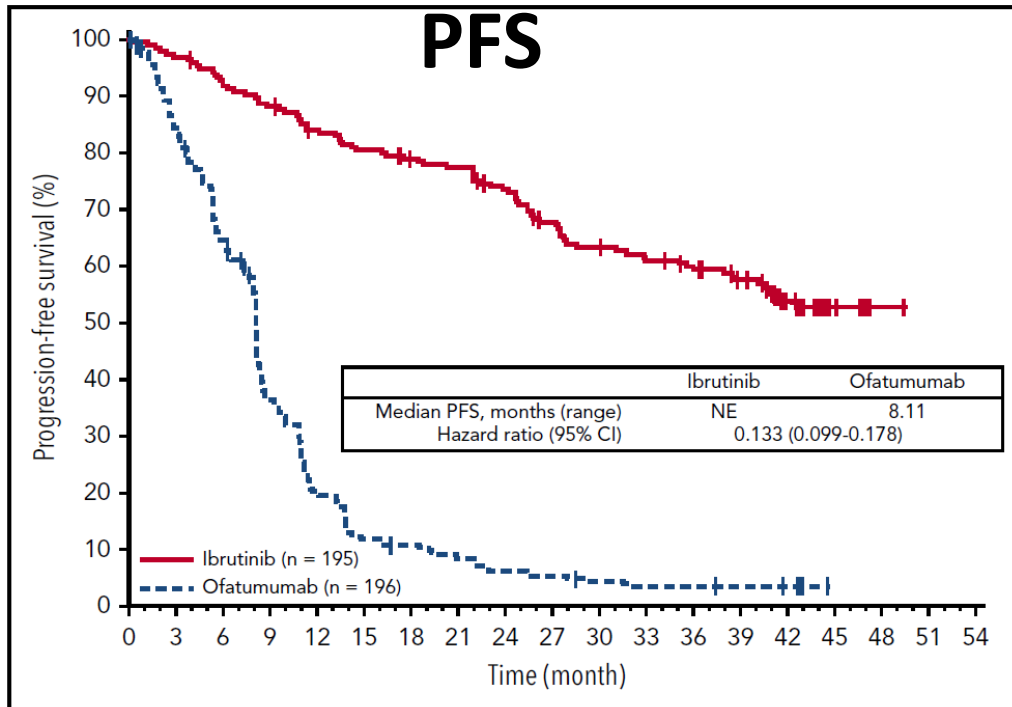
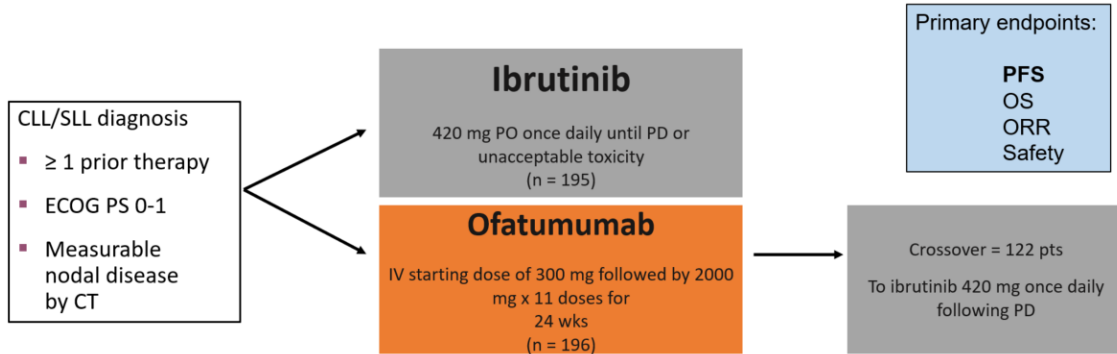
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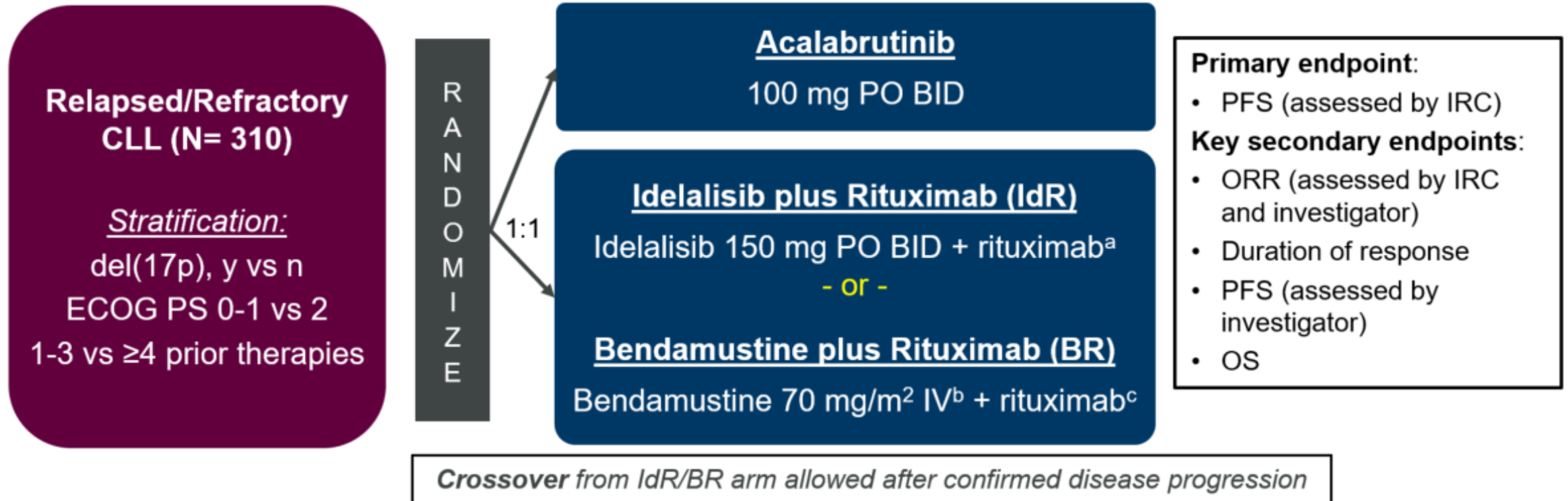
# Previously treated CLL : Principles

- 1. Repeat FISH panel - look for del (17p) or TP53 mutation**
2. Bone marrow needs to be repeated to assess for MDS if prior FCR
3. Very limited role for chemoimmunotherapy (almost never)

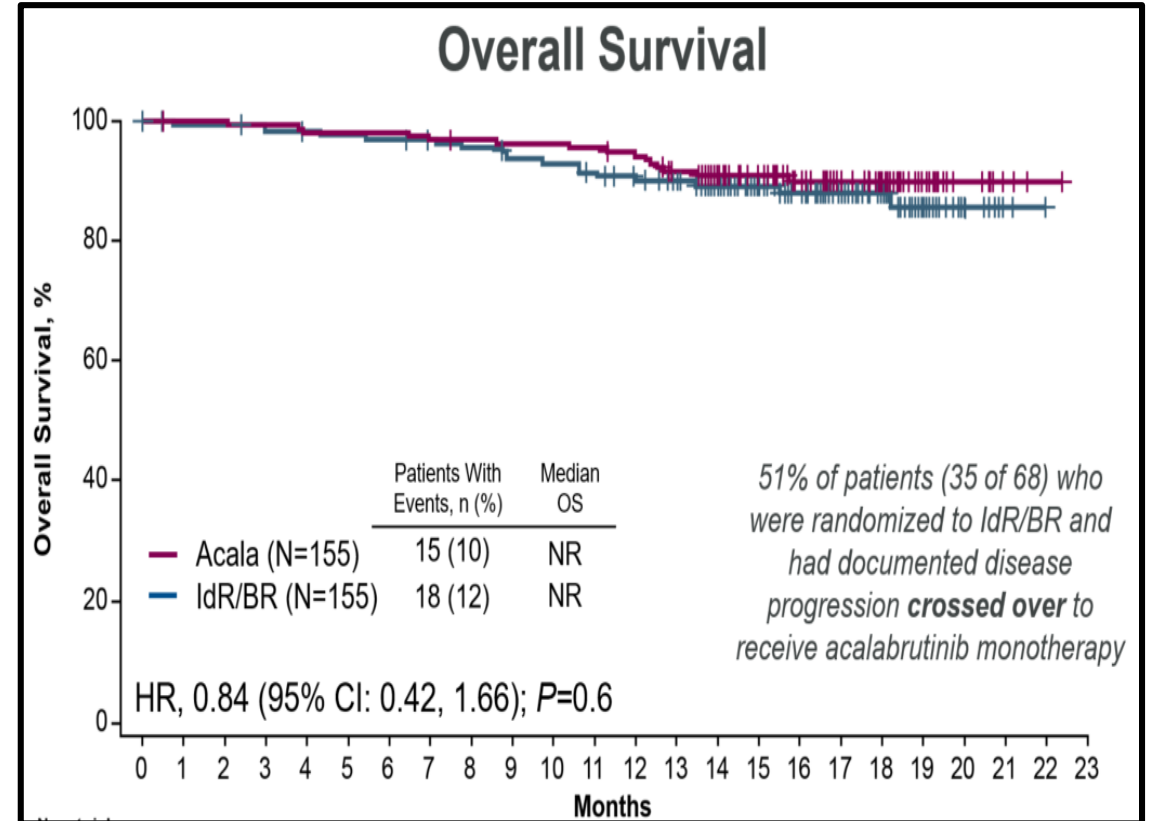
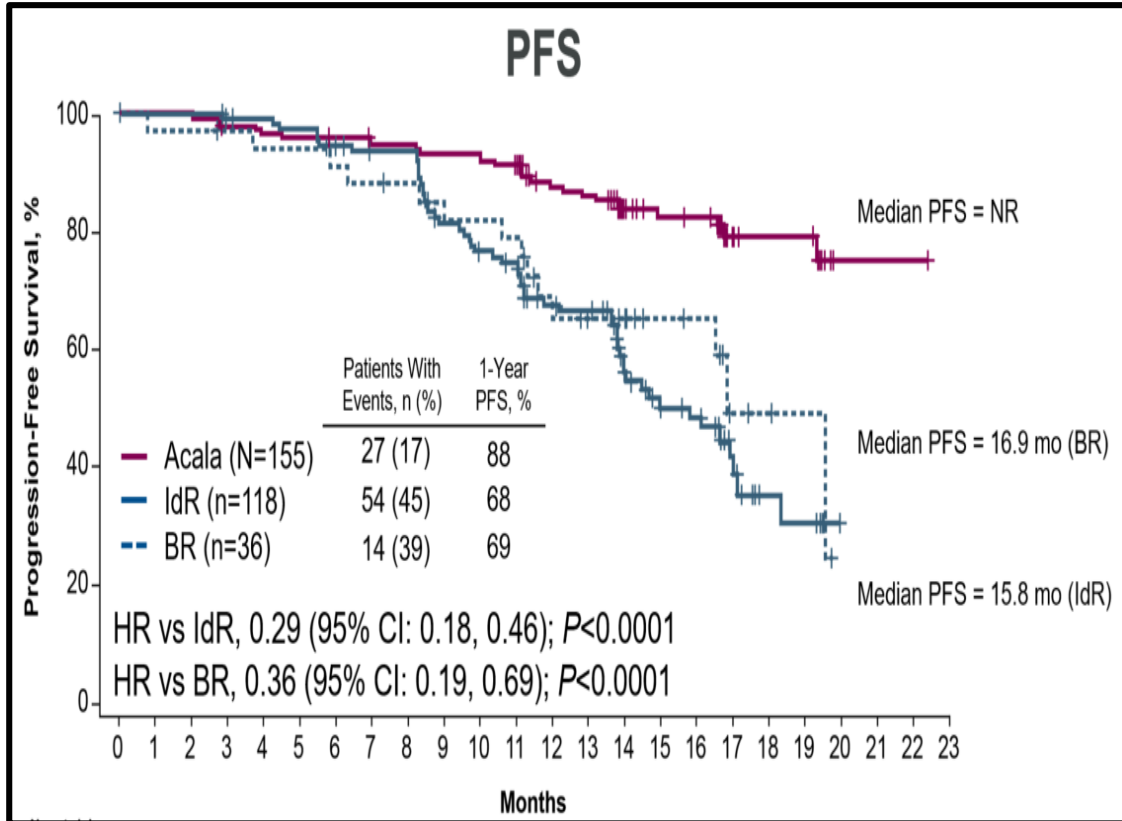
# Ibrutinib vs Ofatumumab in R/R CLL (RESONATE: Phase III)



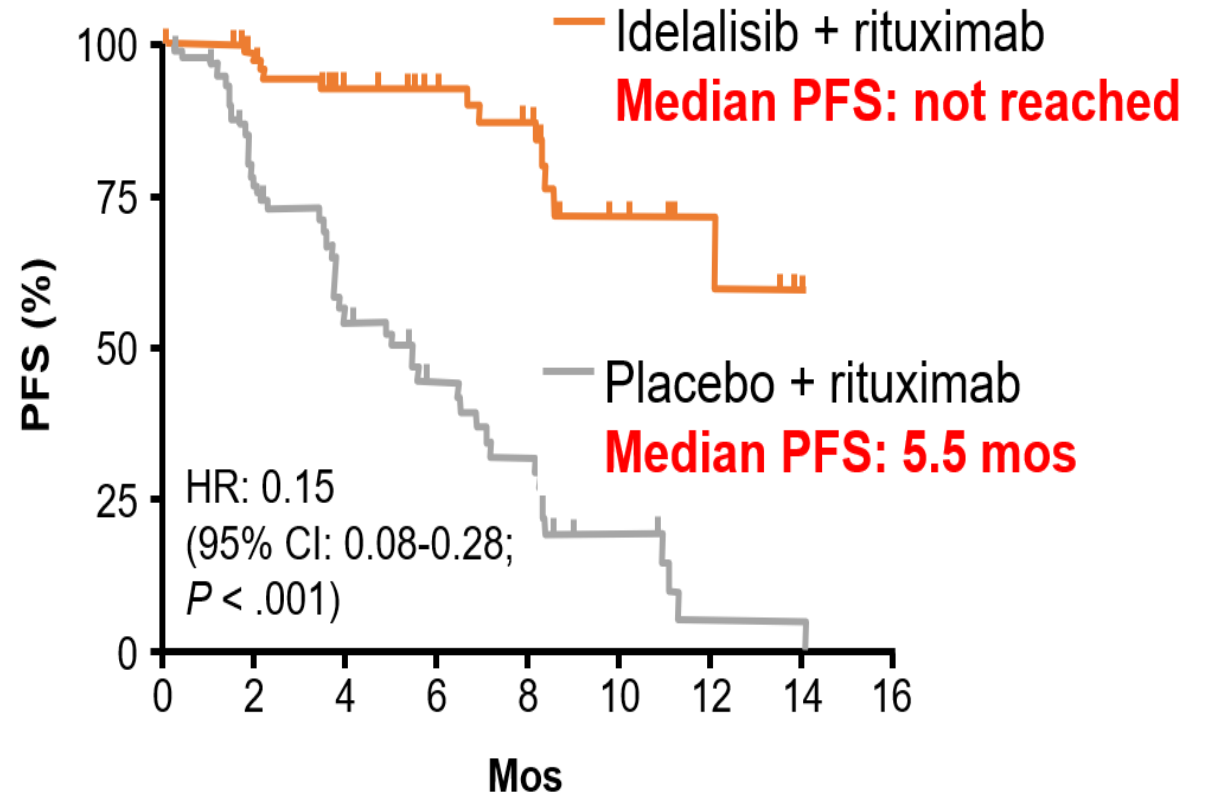
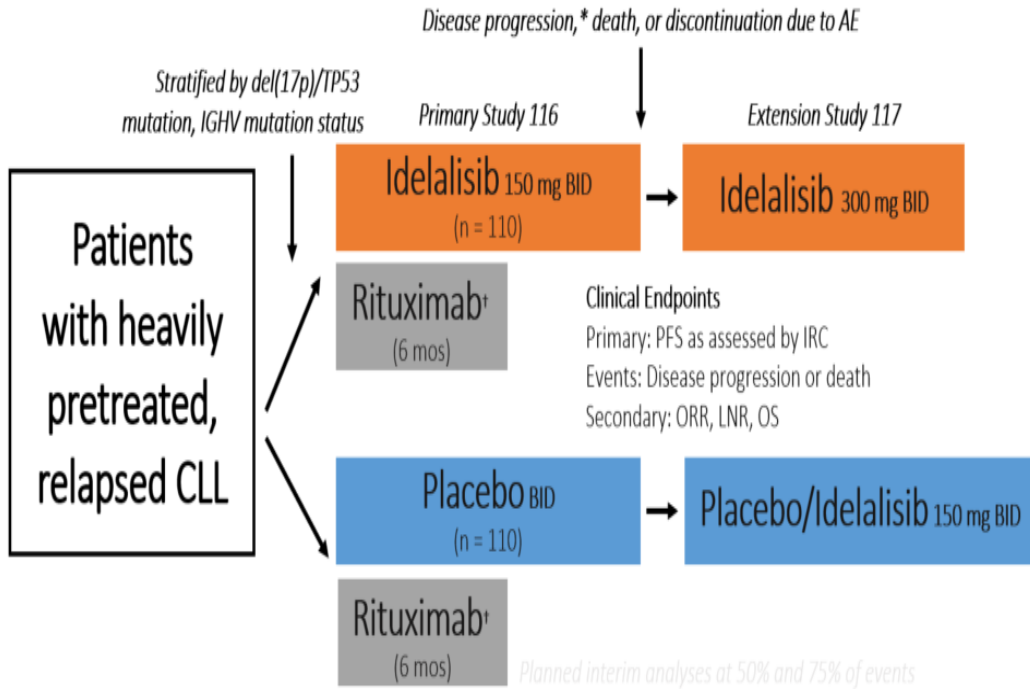
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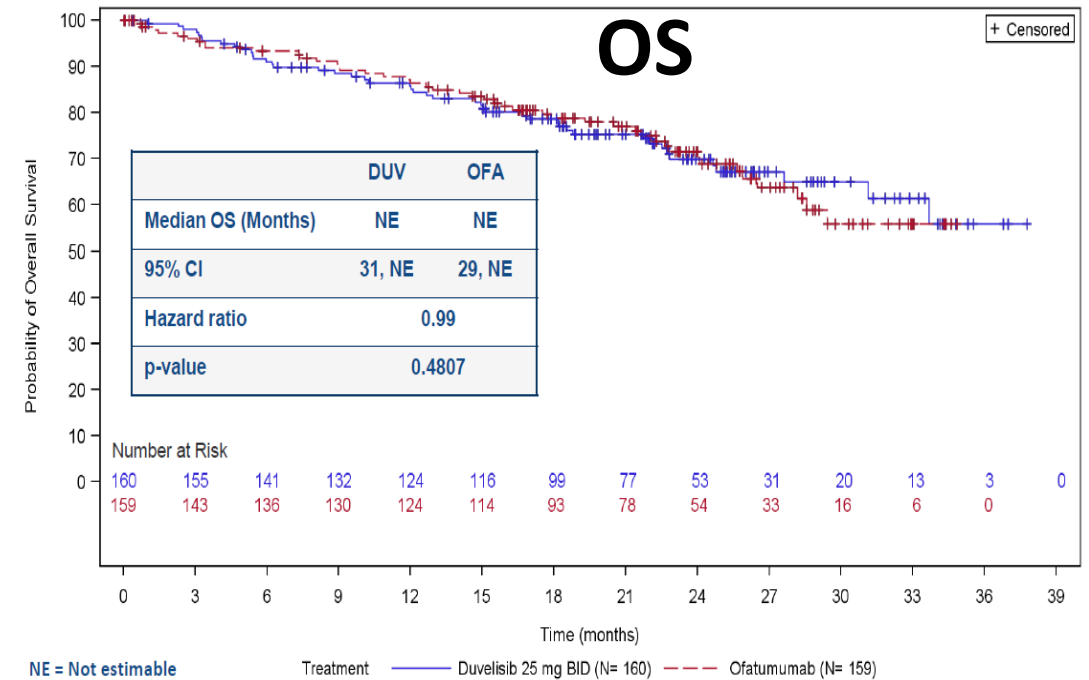
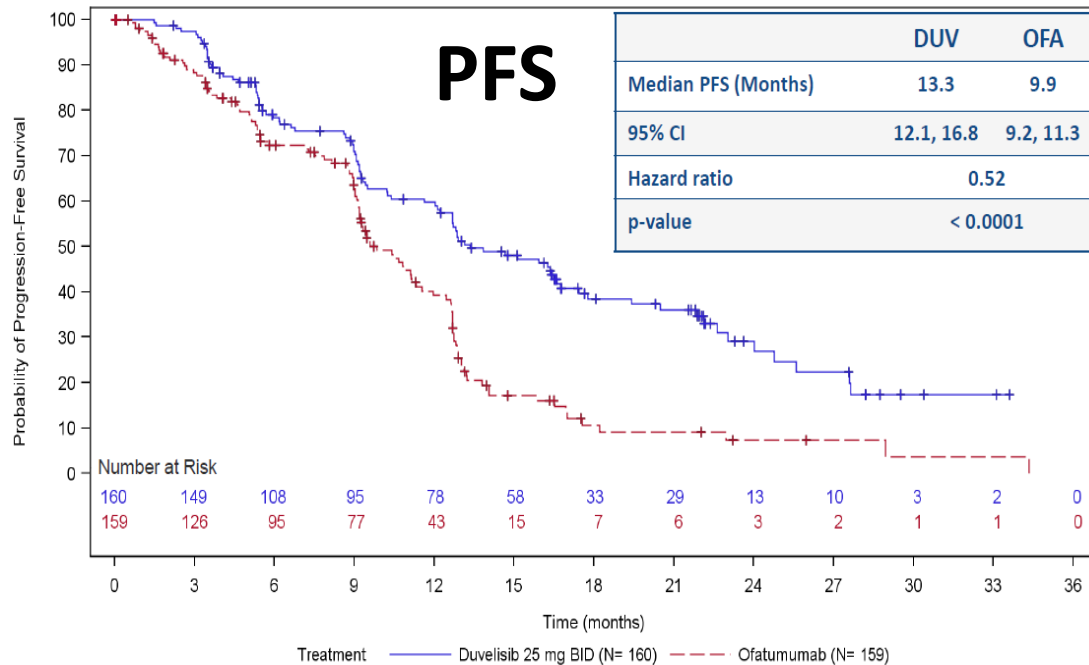
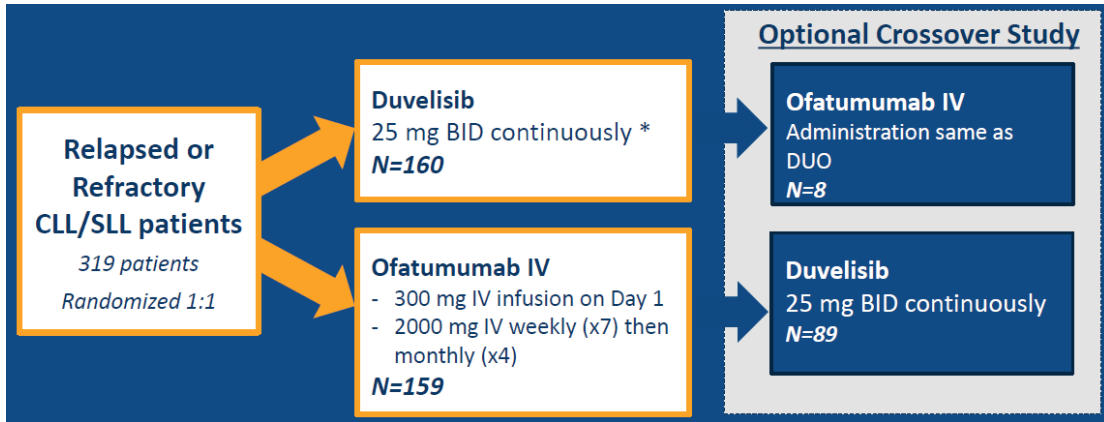
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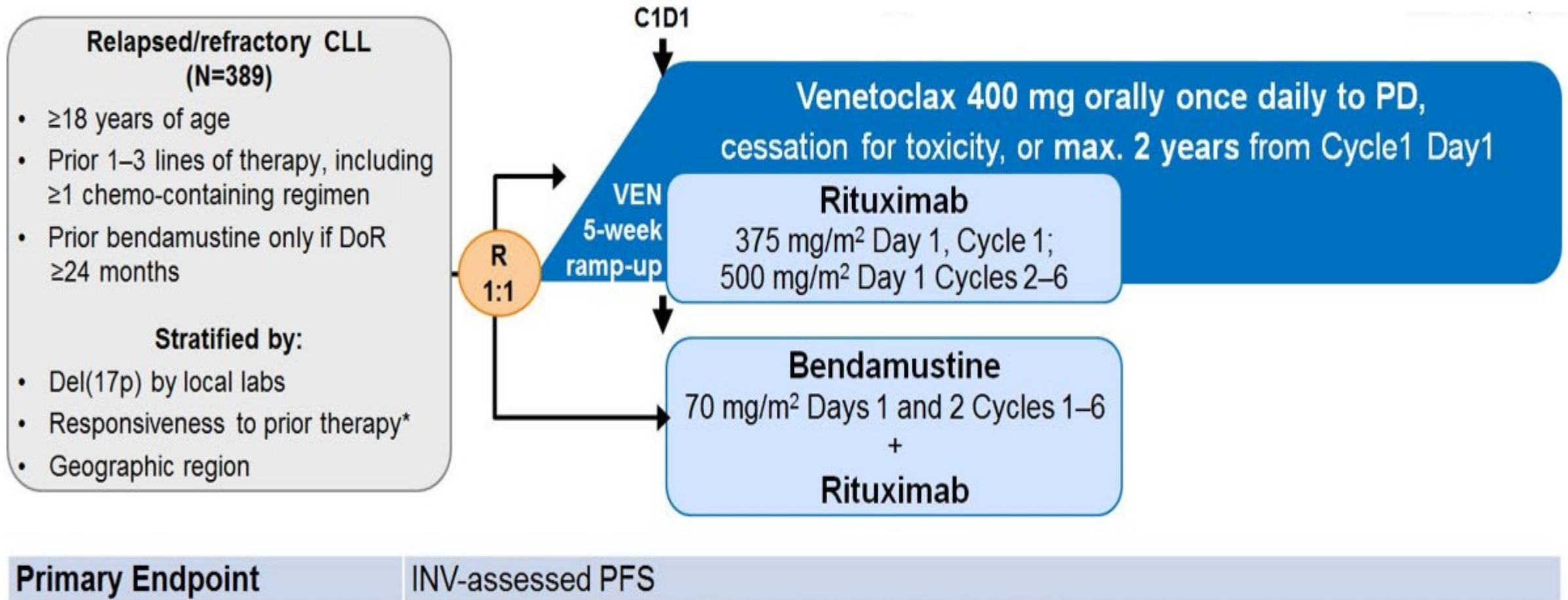
# Idelalisib and Rituximab for Previously Treated Patients



# Duvelisib vs Ofatumumab (DUO trial) - Relapsed/Refractory



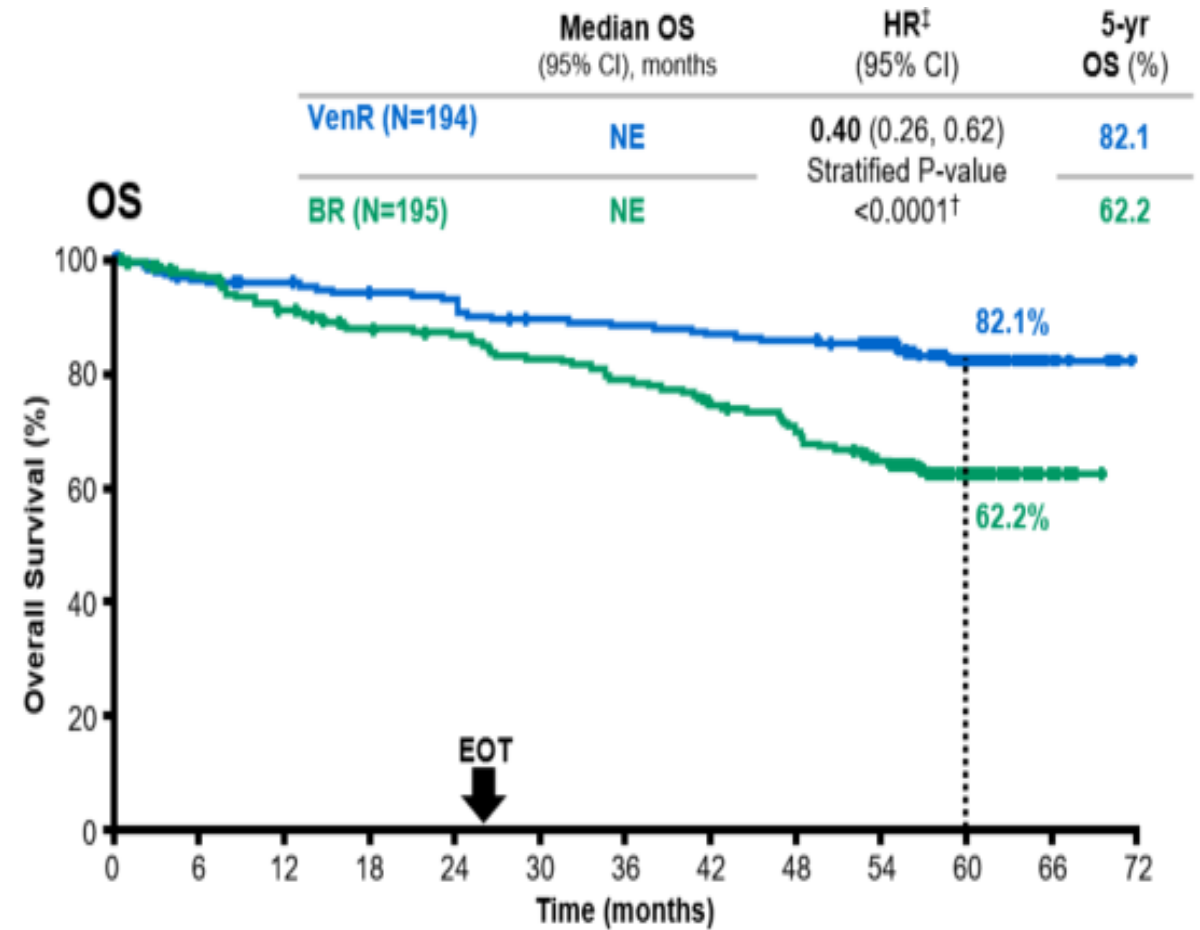
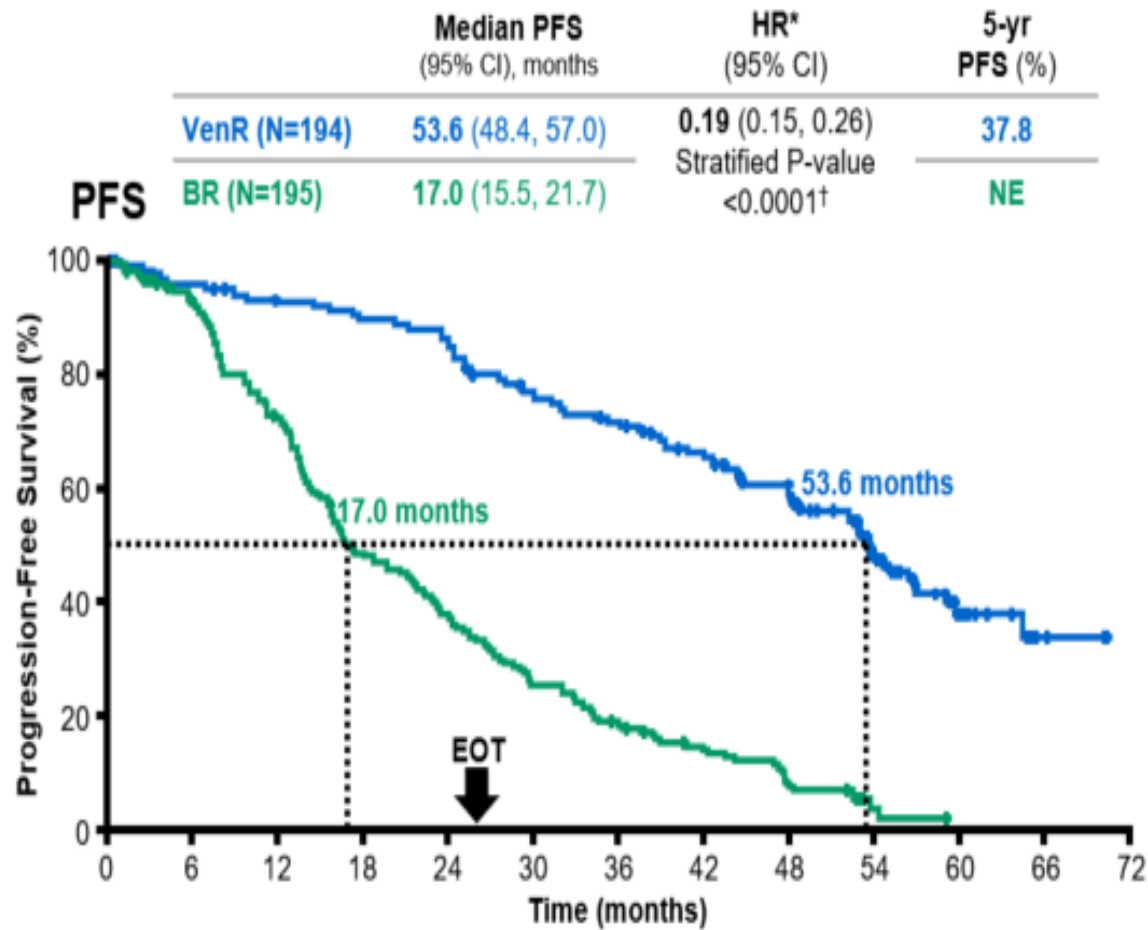
# Ven-R vs. BR in R/R CLL (MURANO Study)





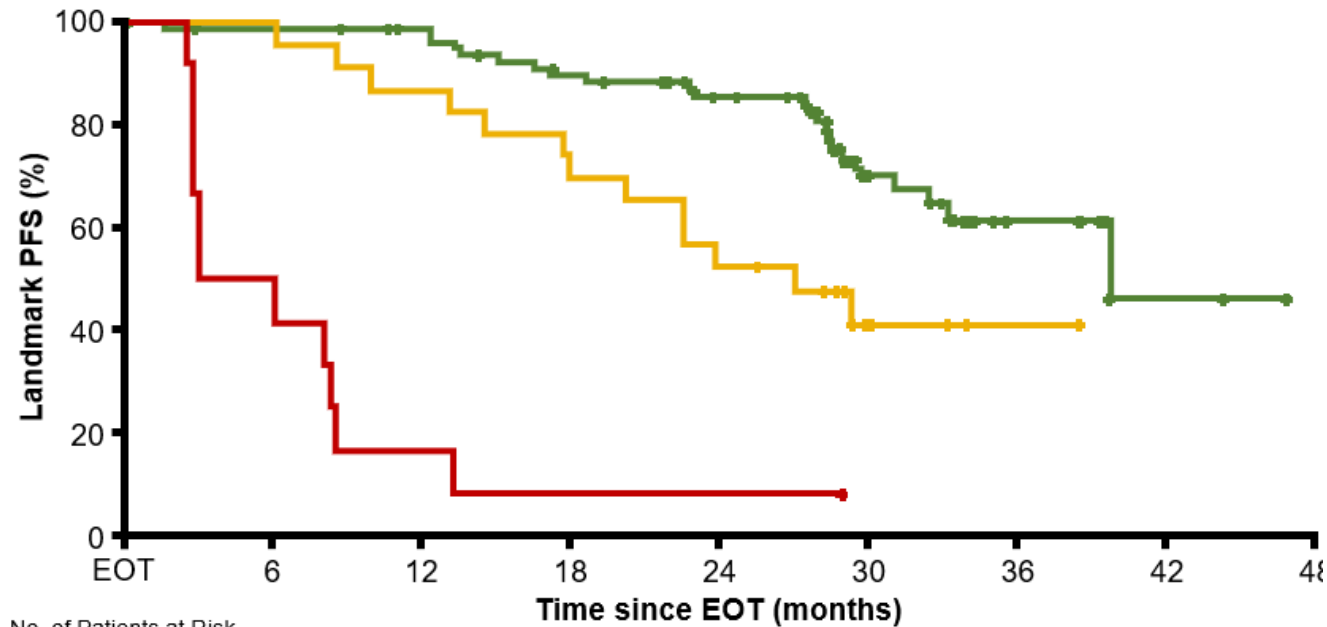
# Ven-R vs. BR in R/R CLL (MURANO Study)

## 5-year follow-up



# Ven-R outcomes (MRD and PFS)

## PFS post-EOT



No. of Patients at Risk

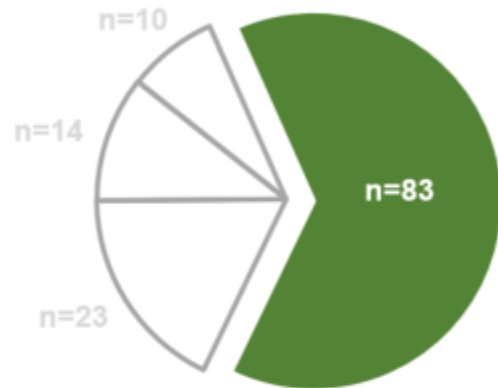
83	79	76	67	57	26	9	2
23	23	20	16	12	4	1	
12	6	2	1	1			

\*uMRD  $<1$  CLL cell/10,000 leukocytes, + censored

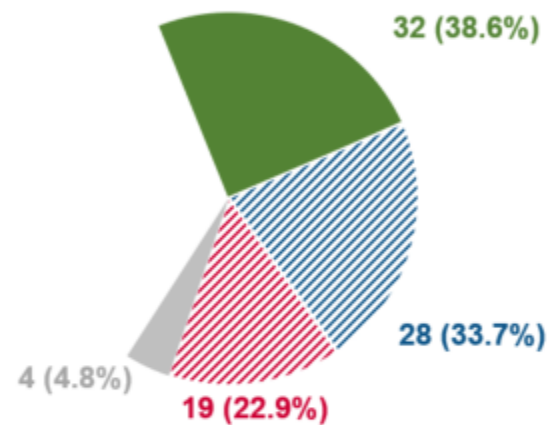
Category	PFS (95% CI) since EOT	
	24 month	36 month
uMRD ( $<10^{-4}$ )* (N=83)	85.4% (77.4, 93.4)	61.3% (47.3, 75.2)
Low-MRD+ ( $10^{-4}$ – $10^{-2}$ ) (N=23)	52.2% (31.8, 72.6)	40.7% (19.2, 62.2)
High-MRD+ ( $>10^{-2}$ ) (N=12)	8.3% (0.0, 24.0)	NE
	HR (95% CI)	P-value
uMRD vs Low-MRD+	0.40 (0.18, 0.91)	0.0246
uMRD vs High-MRD+	0.02 ( $<0.01$ , 0.18)	$<0.0001$
Low-MRD+ vs High-MRD+	0.32 (0.10, 0.99)	0.0410

# Delay between MRD Conversion and Clinical Progression

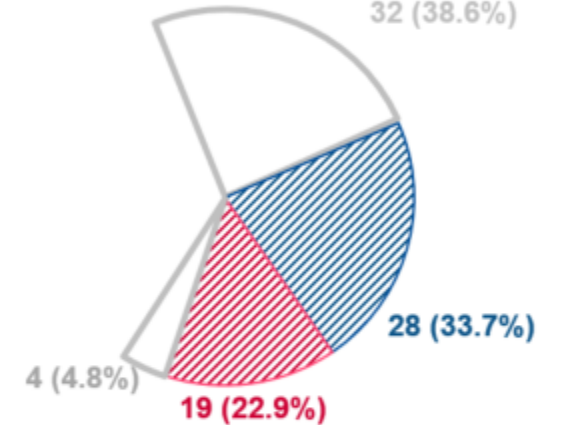
MRD status at EOT (N=130)



Time from EOT to MRD Conversion



Time from MRD conversion to PD\*



■ Sustained uMRD      ■ PD\* without prior MRD conversion  
▨ MRD conversion without PD\*      ▨ MRD conversion with PD\*



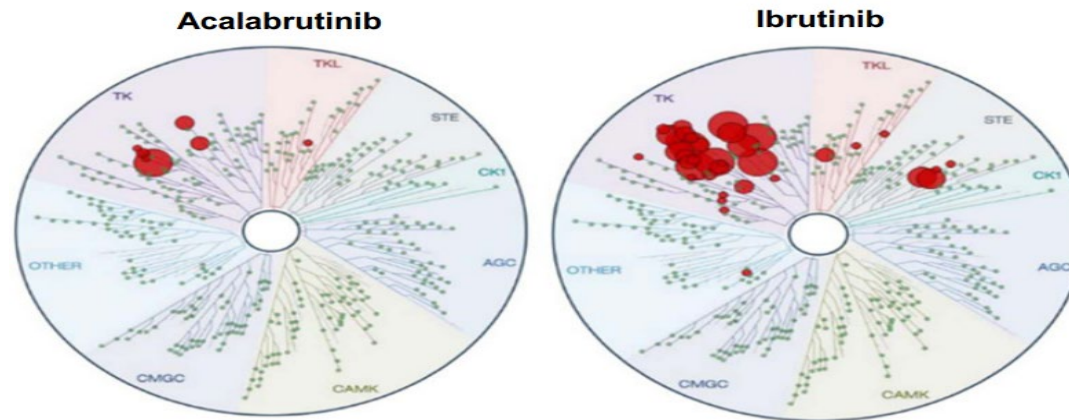
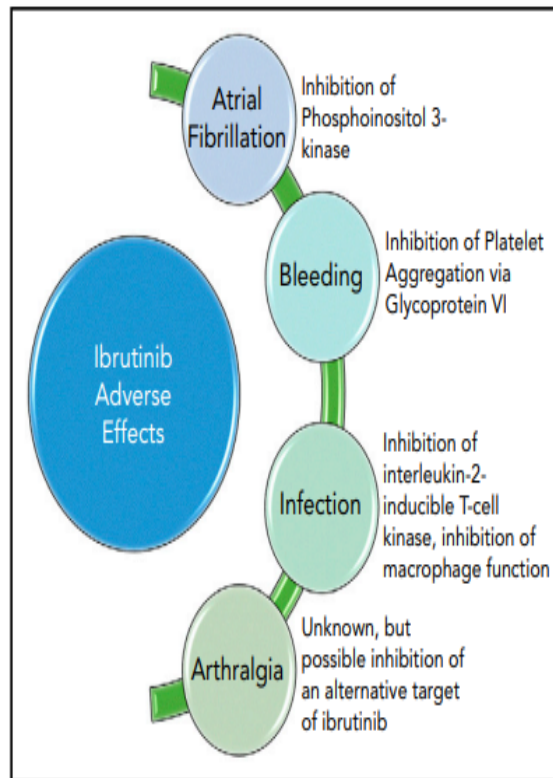
N=130; uMRD <1 CLL cell/10,000 leukocytes

# Novel Agents for R/R setting

	<b>Acalabrutinib/ Ibrutinib</b>	<b>Venetoclax</b>	<b>Duvelisib/ Idelalisib</b>
Target	BTK	BCL-2	PI3K delta+gamma / delta
Duration	Indefinite	2-years	Indefinite
Addition of Anti CD20 Ab	No major benefit Faster “response”	Recommended	Idelalisib + R Duvelisib monotherapy
Major side effect (concern)	Bleeding (anticoagulation)	TLS (initially)	Colitis (diarrhea) Infections (FDA alert)
Other side effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Body pain</li> <li>• Fatigue</li> <li>• <u>Hypertension</u></li> <li>• A fib</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neutropenia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pneumonitis</li> <li>• Transaminitis (mainly idela)</li> <li>• PJP</li> <li>• CMV</li> </ul>
FDA label for CLL	All settings	All settings	Relapsed

# Acalabrutinib or Ibrutinib

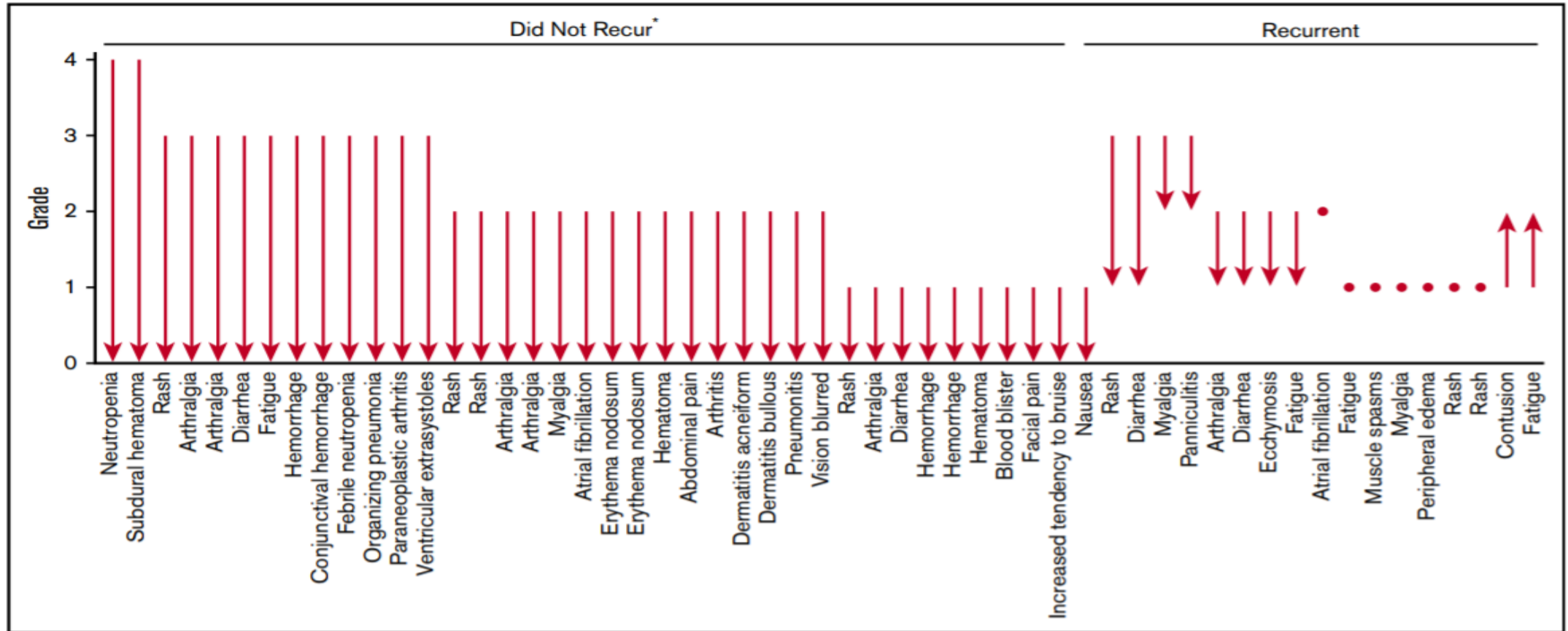
- Head-to-head trial is done in the relapsed setting and will be reported “soon”



## Treatment discontinuation rates due to toxicity

Ibrutinib	Frontline: 15% Relapsed: 22%
Acalabrutinib	Frontline: no data Relapsed: 12%

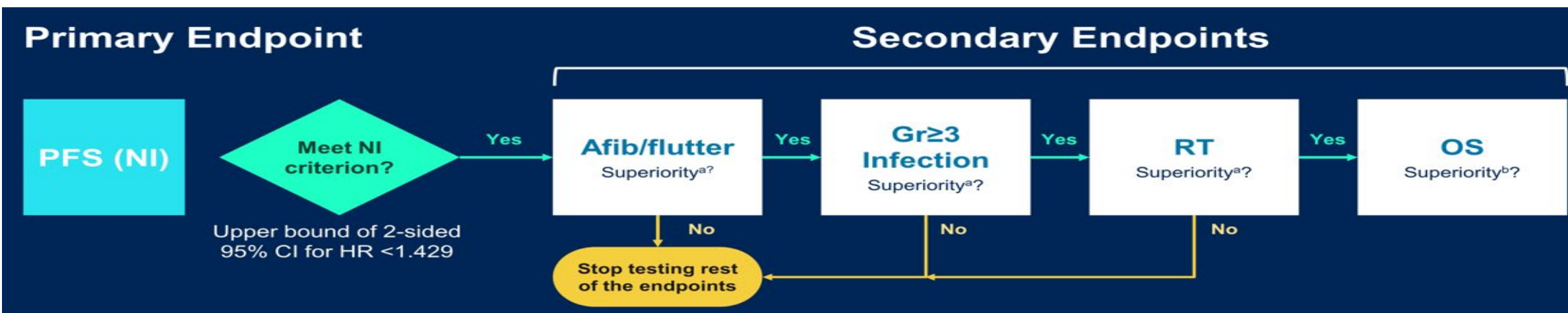
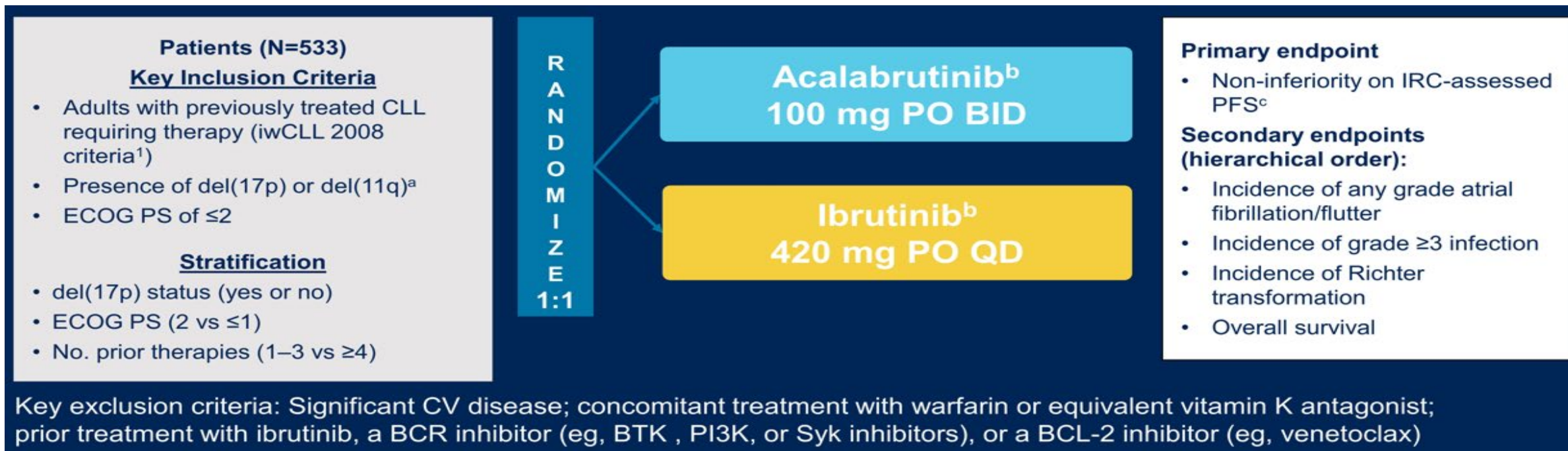
# Acalabrutinib in Ibrutinib intolerant patients



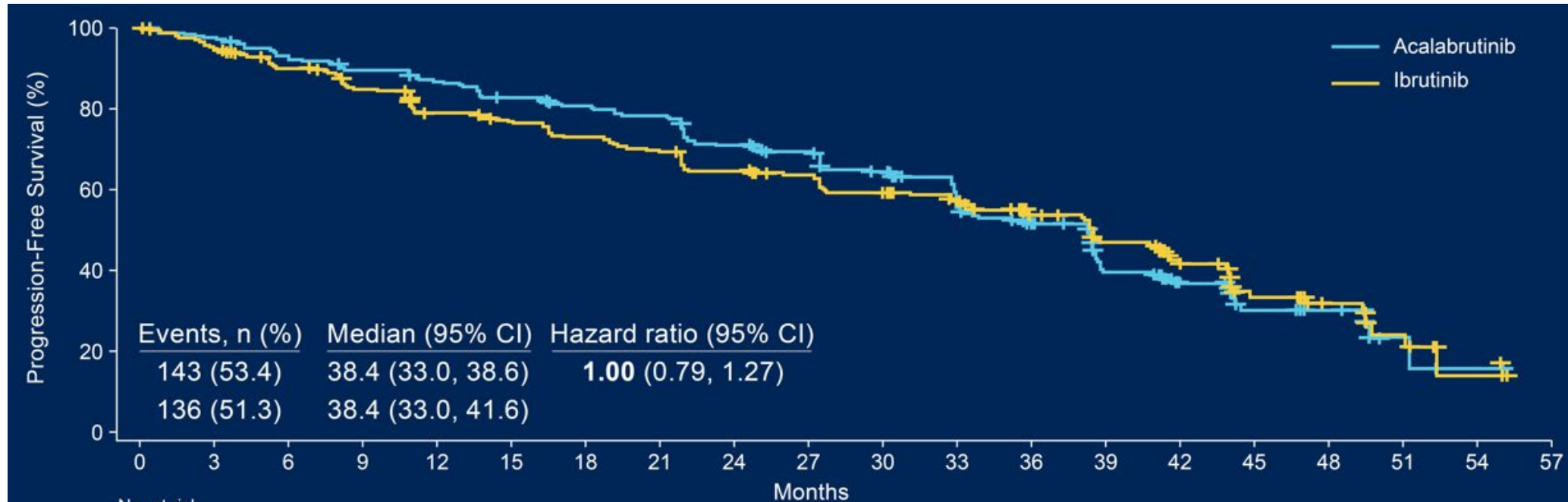
of 61 ibrutinib-related AEs associated with intolerance, 72% did not recur and 13% recurred at a lower grade with acalabrutinib



# Ibrutinib vs. Acalabrutinib (ELEVATE-RR)



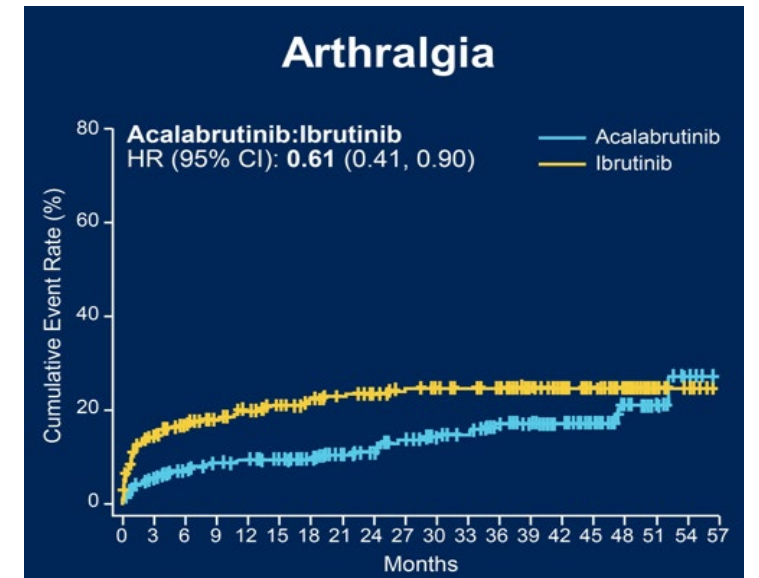
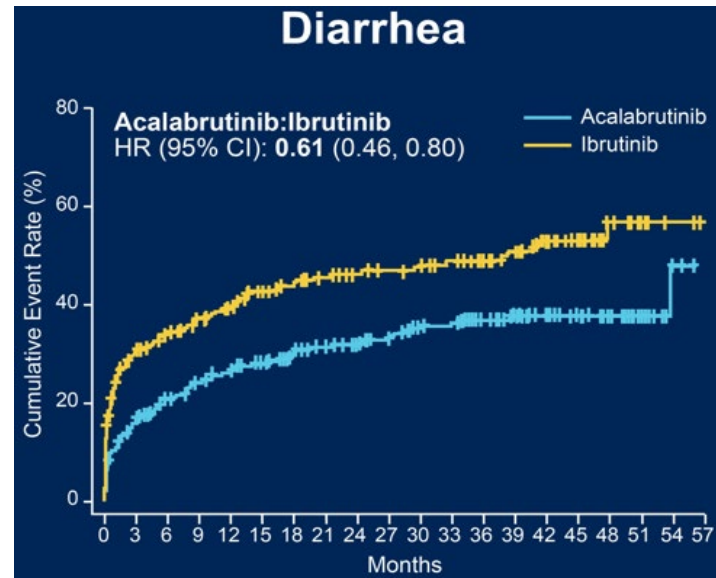
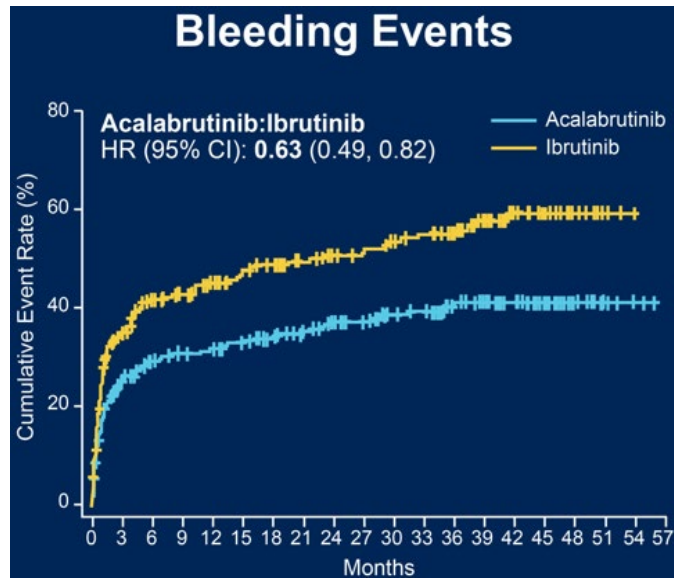
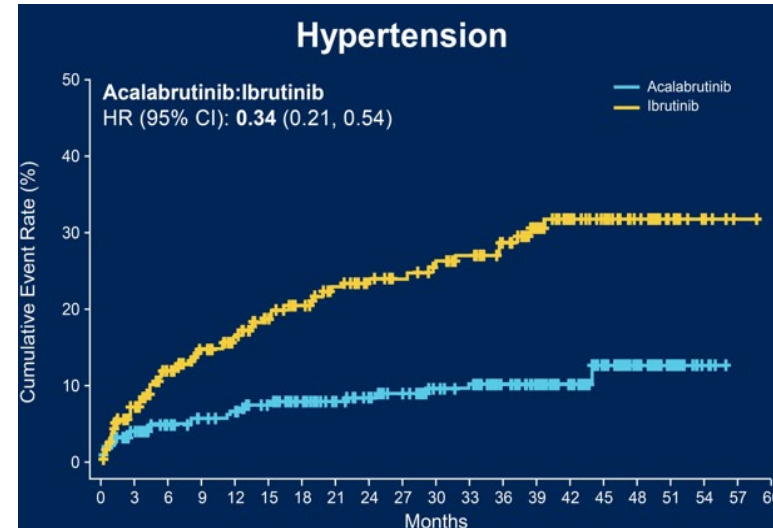
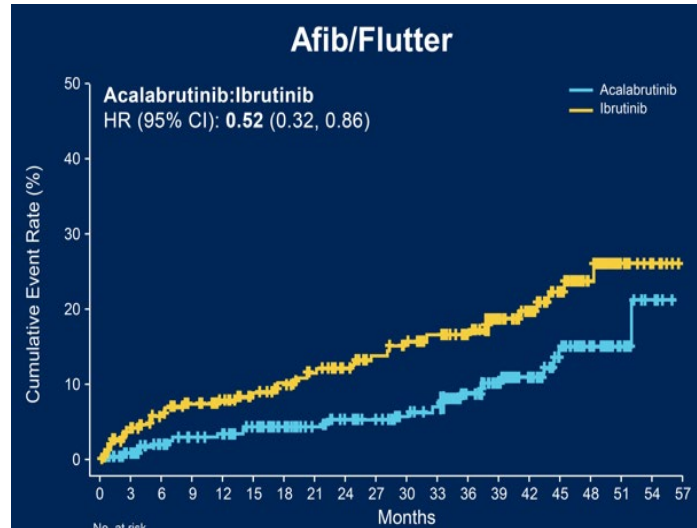
# Ibrutinib vs. Acalabrutinib (ELEVATE-RR)



- High-risk patients only:
  - Del 17p: 45%
  - TP53 mutated 37-42%
  - Unmutated IGVH 82-89%
- Stopped because of adverse events:
  - 14.9% in acalabrutinib and 22.3% in ibrutinib group



# Ibrutinib vs. Acalabrutinib (ELEVATE-RR)



# Previously Treated CLL Summary

## 1. First

- **Venetoclax + Rituximab**  
or
- **Ibrutinib or acalabrutinib**

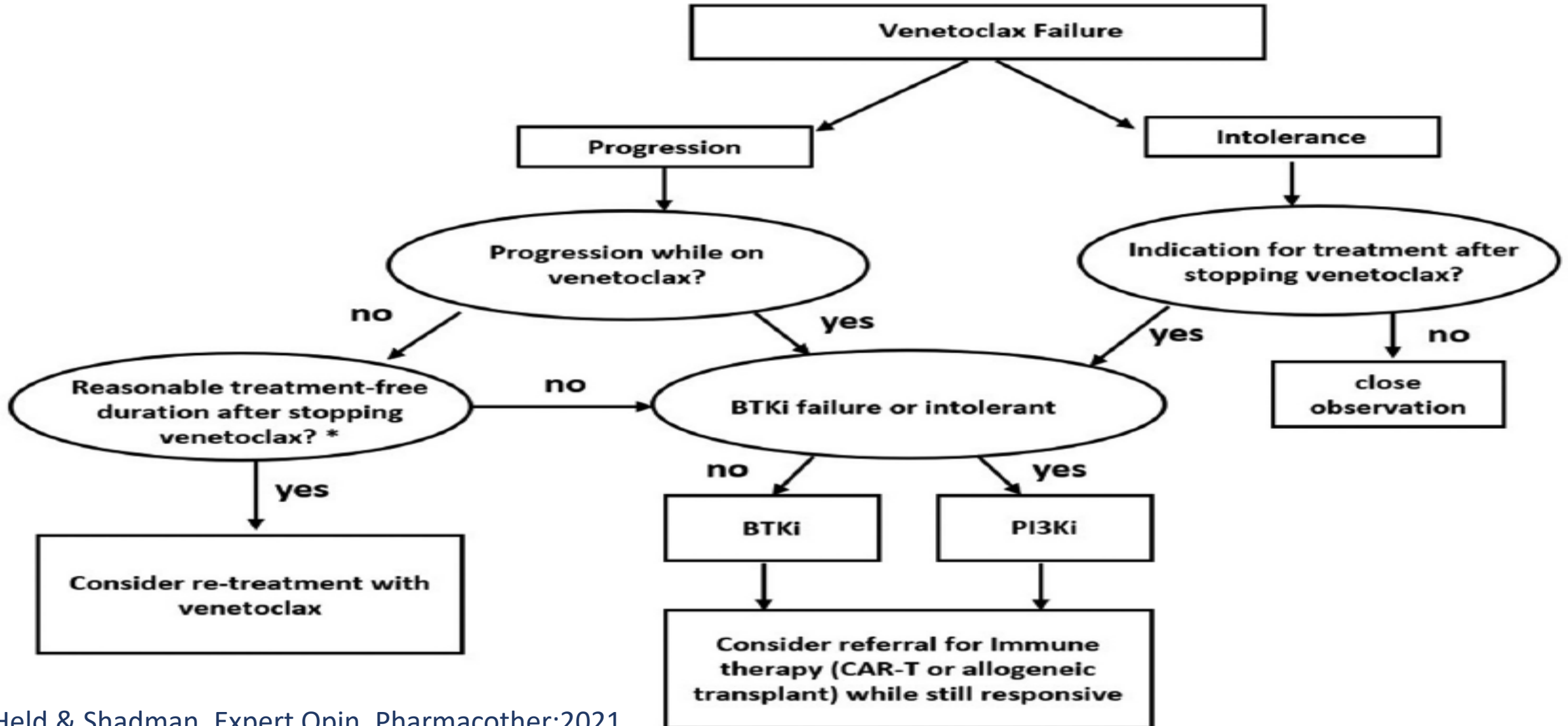
## 2. Second

- **Ibrutinib/acalabrutinib if previously treatment with Ven**
- **Ven-R if previously treated with BTKi (ibrutinib or acalabrutinib)**

## 3. Third

- **Idelalisib+ rituximab OR duvelisib**

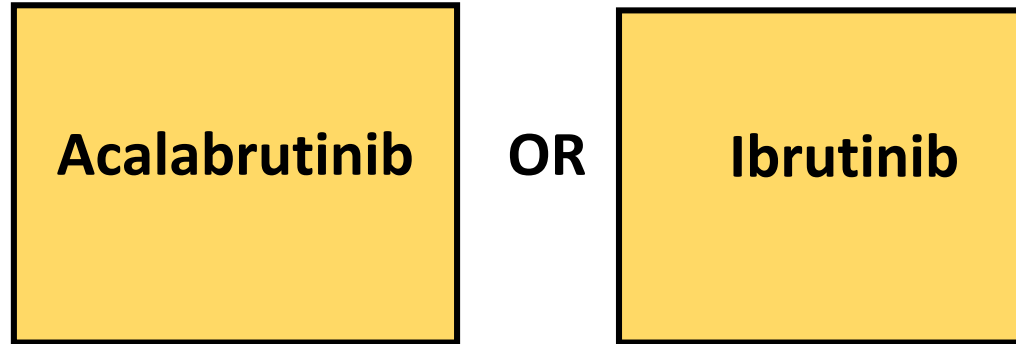
# After Venetoclax...



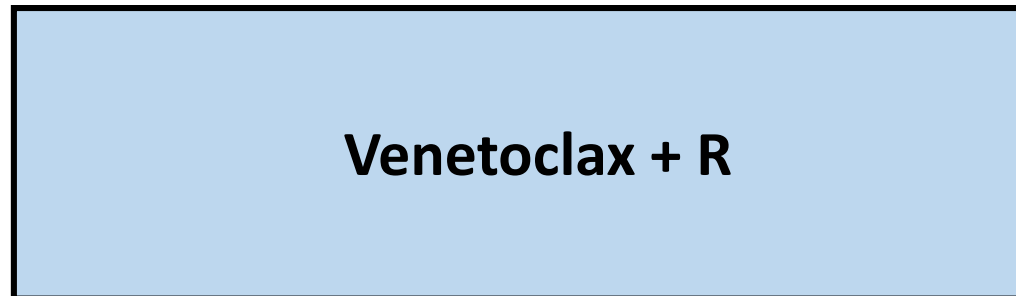
# Treatment options for patients with del17p/P53 mutation

# CLL with del17p or TP53

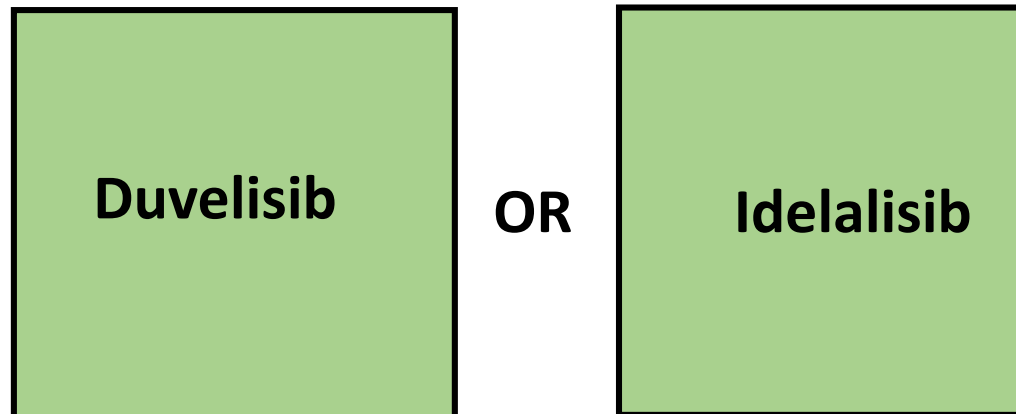
First line



Second line



Third line



R = rituximab

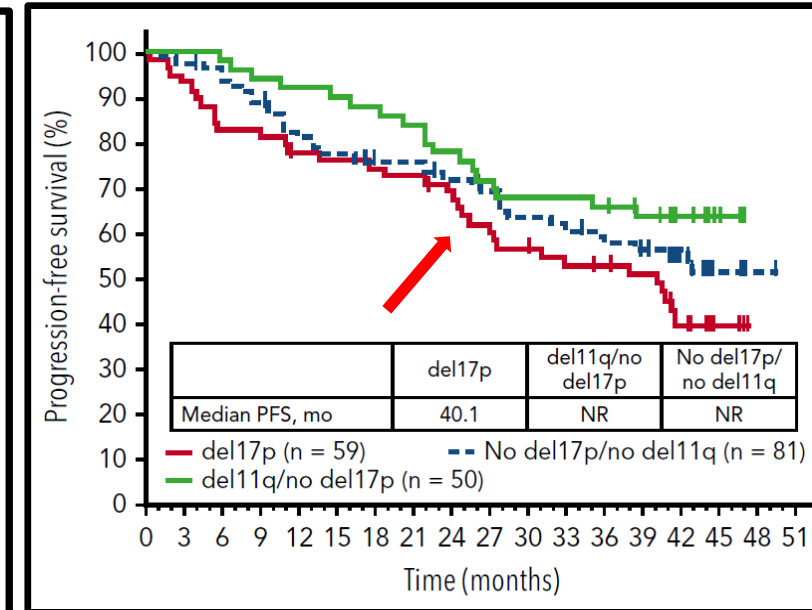
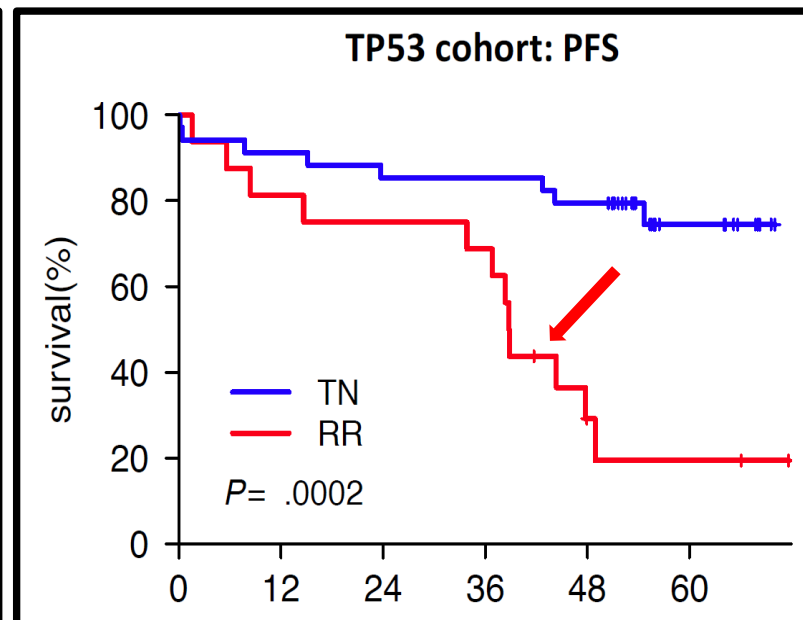
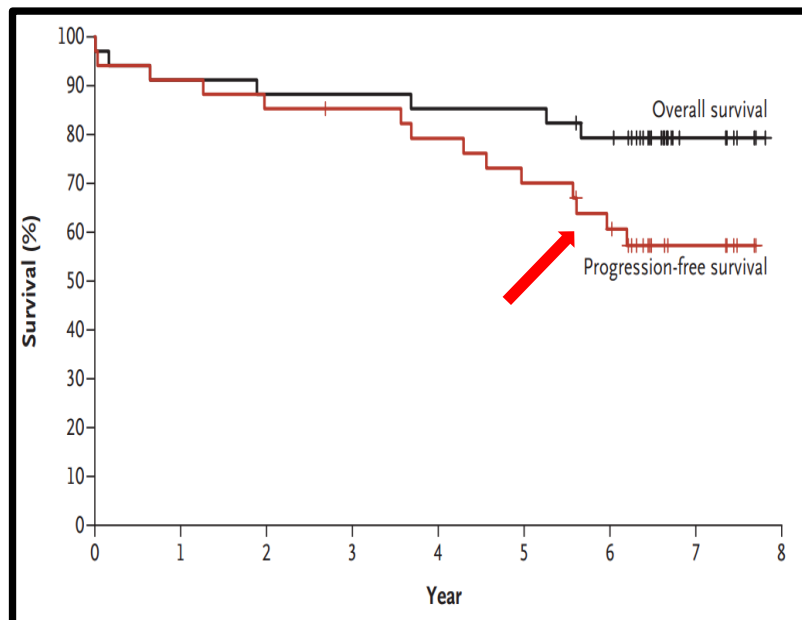
# There is no role for chemotherapy in abnormal TP53 (deletion or mutation)

Regimen	PFS
FCR (frontline)	11.3 m
Alemtuzumab (frontline)	11 m
BR (frontline)	7.9 m
HDMP + R	7.5m
BR (relapsed)	7 m
FC (frontline)	6.5 m
FCR (relapsed)	5 m

**5 – 11 months**

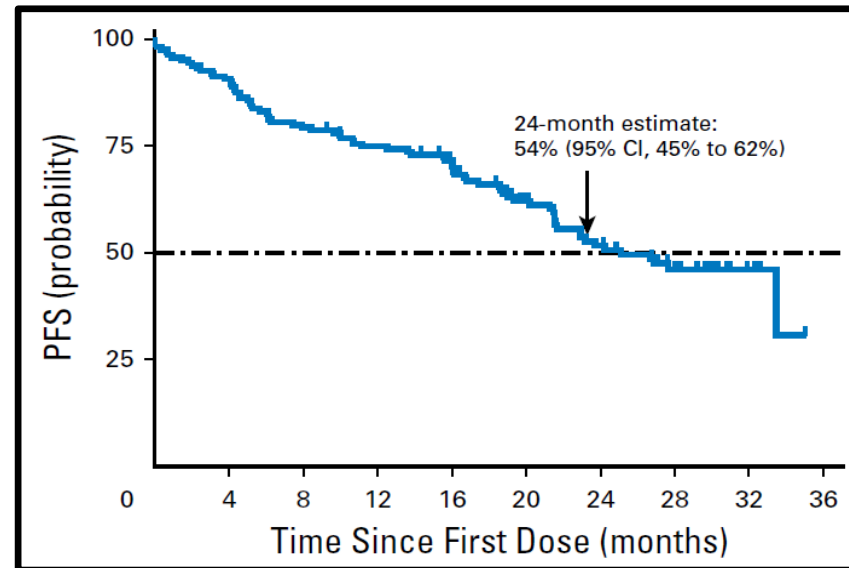
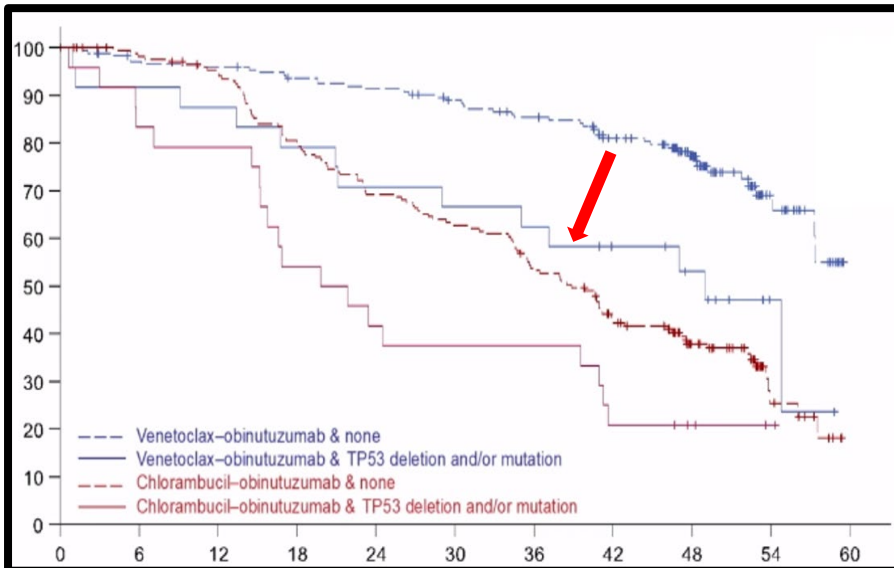
# Ibrutinib for abnormal TP53

Study	Setting	Outcome
NIH study	TN R/R	6-year PFS 61% 5-year PFS 19%
PCYC-1102/1103 5-year f/u	R/R	median PFS 26 m
RESONATE f/u	R/R	Median PFS 40 m



# Venetoclax for abnormal TP53

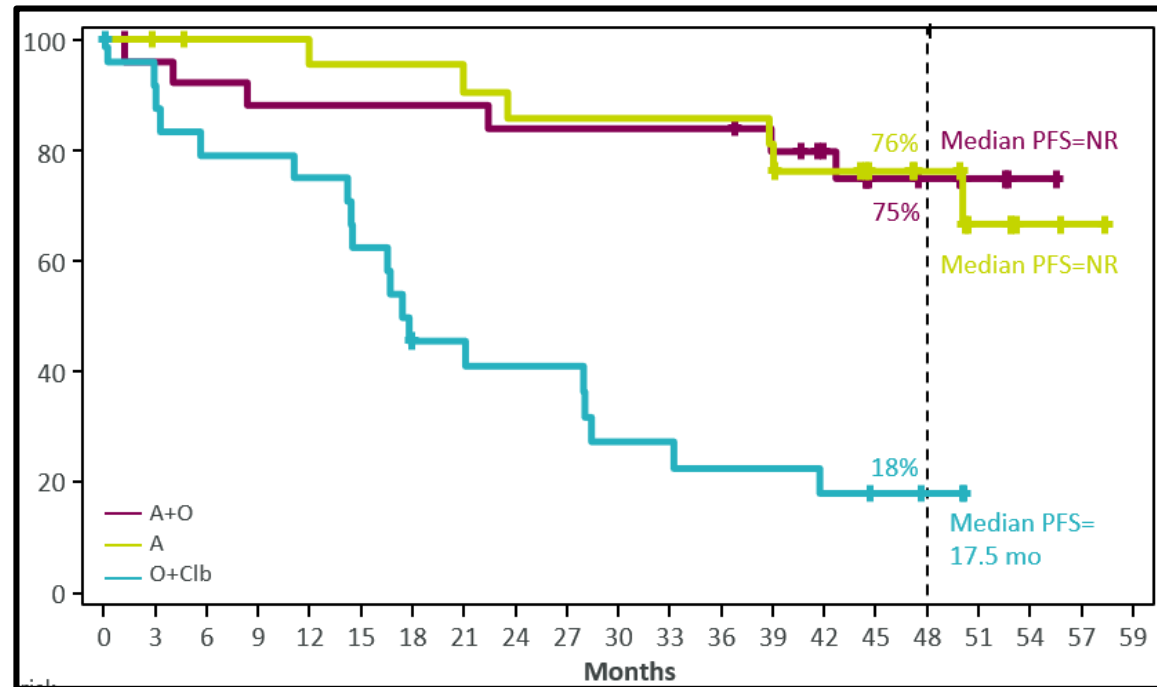
Study	Setting	Outcome
CLL14	TN	m PFS 49m
M13-982 study	R/R	24 m PFS 54% m PFS 27 m
MURANO	R/R	m PFS 48 m





# Acalabrutinib for abnormal TP53

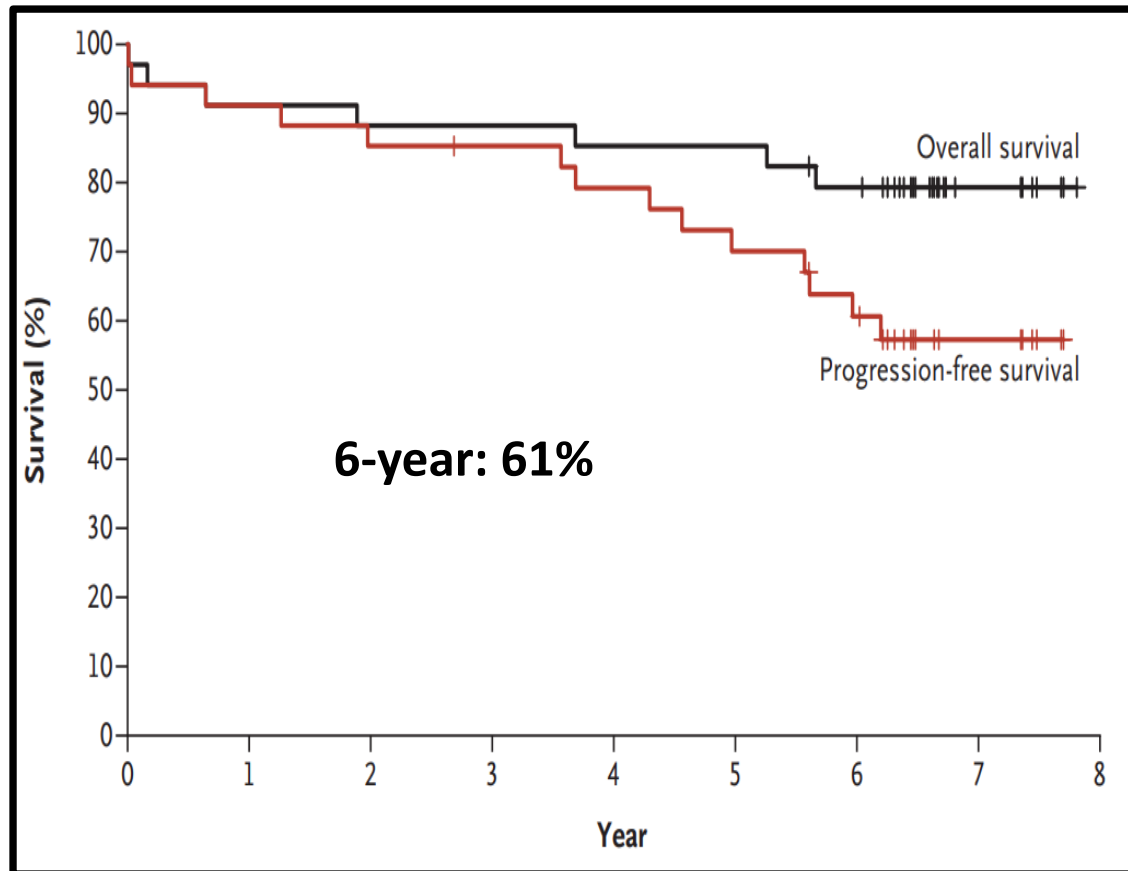
Study	Setting	Outcome
ELEVATE TN	TN	4-year PFS 75%
ACE-CL-001	R/R	PFS 36m (21 – NR)
ASCEND	R/R	Not reported



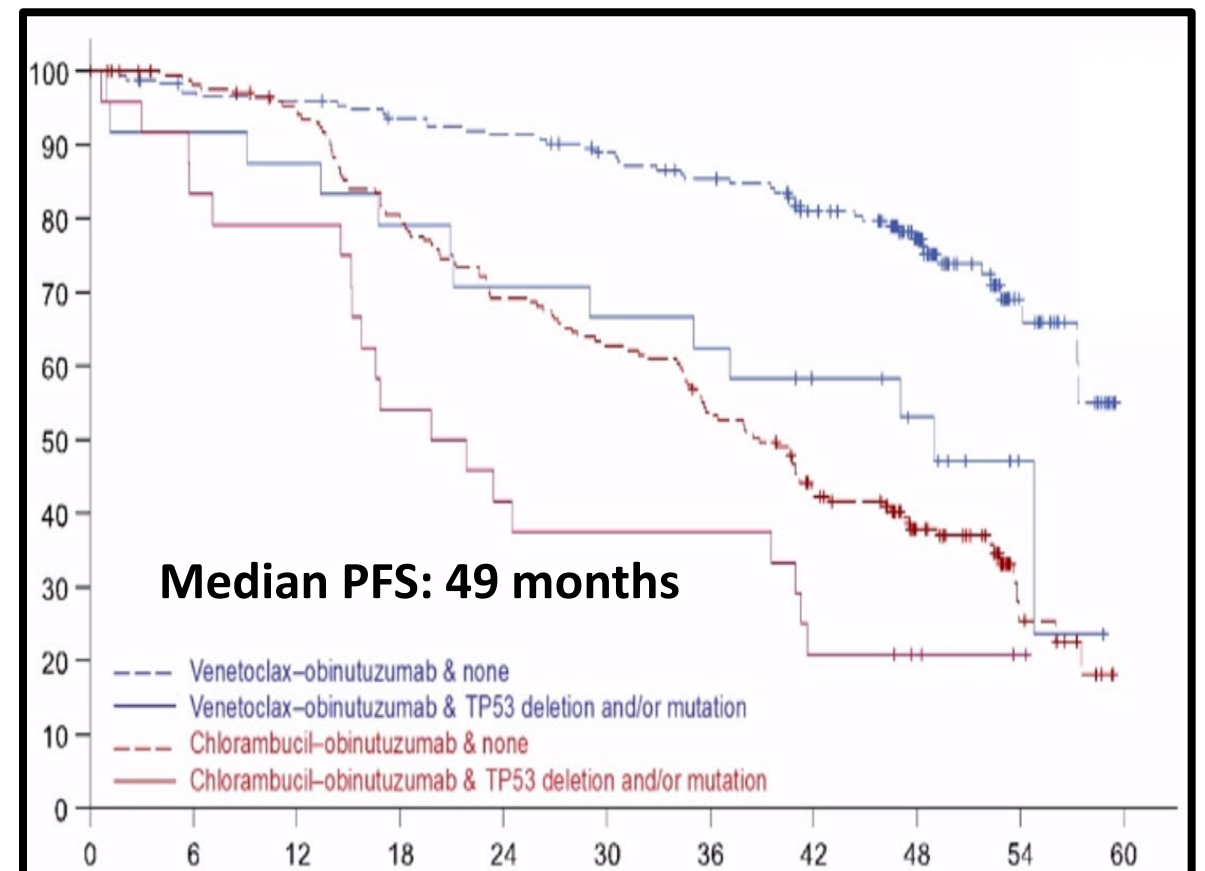
Sharman,EHA, 2021; Byrd, Blood, 2020; Ghia,15-ICML,2019

# Ibrutinib vs. Ven-G for first-line treatment in CLL patients with abnormal TP53

## Ibrutinib

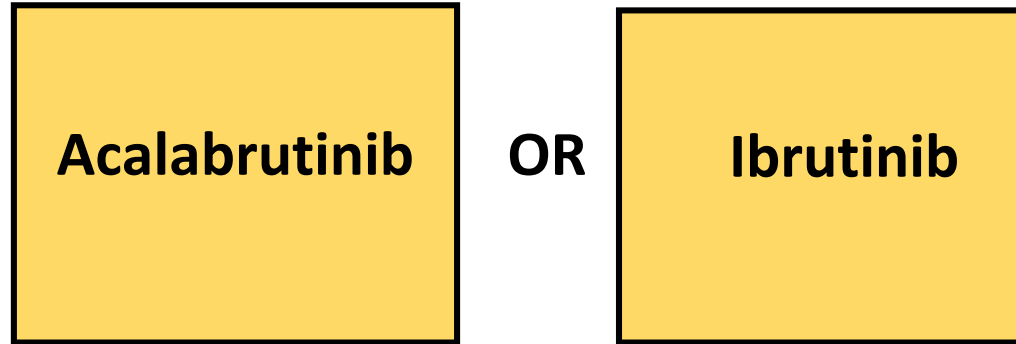


## Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab

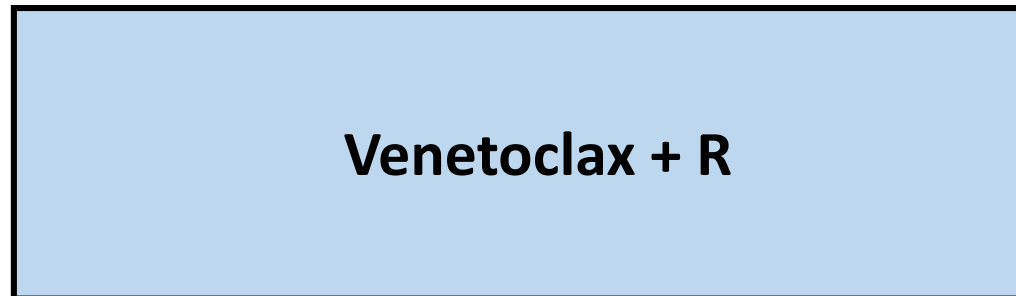


# CLL with del17p or TP53

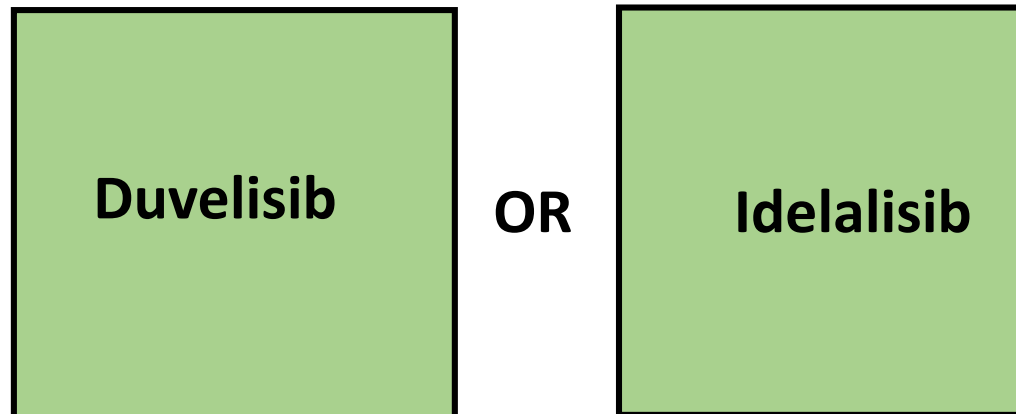
First line



Second line



Third line

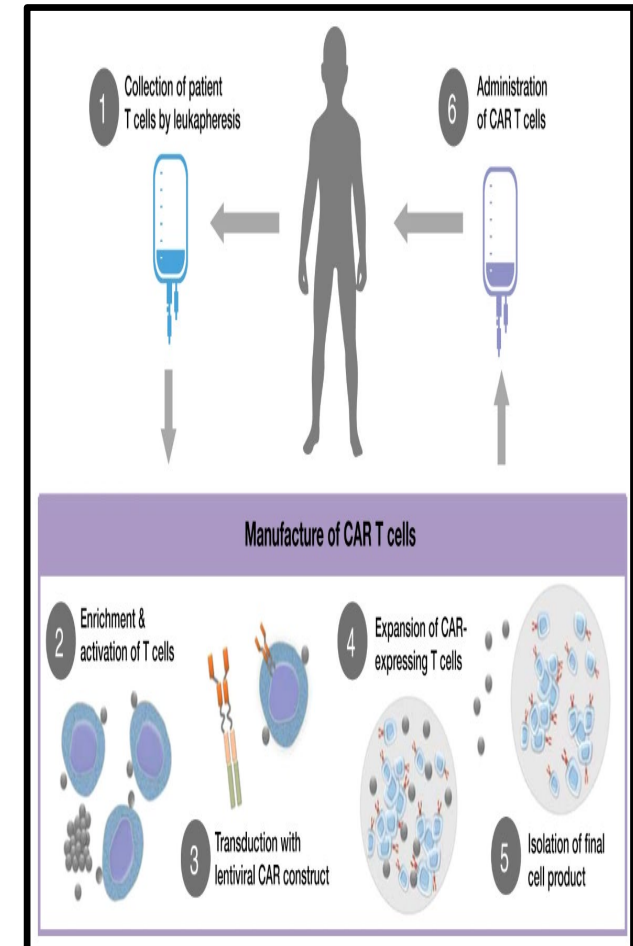


R = rituximab

# Cellular therapies for CLL

# CAR-T for CLL

- Investigational, not FDA approved
- Registration studies are currently ongoing
- Long-term remissions ~ 30-35%
- Best predictor of response: MRD neg after treatment
- Recommend before alloSCT, if available



# Allogeneic SCT for High Risk CLL

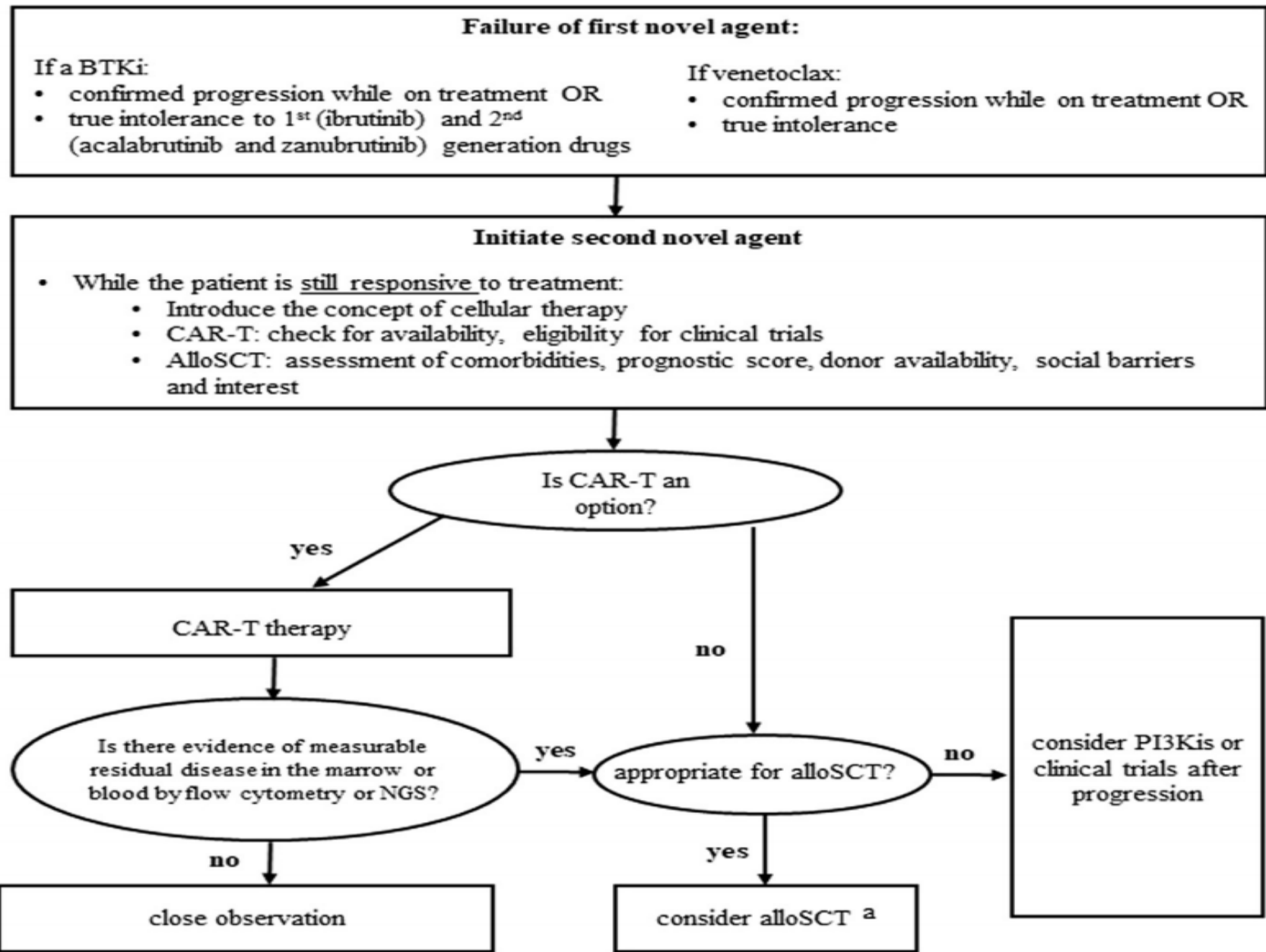
- Reduced intensity/ Nonmyeloablative allogeneic transplant

Author	Kim	Roeker	Paul	Shadman	Andersen
Year	2020	2020	2020	2019	2019
N	108	65	64	55	432
Conditioning	RIC	RIC	RIC (haplo)	NMA	RIC/NMA
Follow-up (yr)	3	2	4	3	5
OS	69-87	81	52	54	46-52
PFS	58-72	63	37	45	38-43
NRM	7-17	13	24	38 (<12)*	32-35
aGVHD (3-4)	8-13	24	3	20	?
Extensive cGVHD	45-57	27	7	66	?

**50**  
**40**  
**20-25**

\* in pts without comorbidities

Shadman, Hematol Oncol Clin N Am, 2021



# Practical points about novel drugs



# New Agents: Practical Considerations

- BTKi: ibrutinib and acalabrutinib
- PI3Ki: idelalisib and duvelisib
- BCL2i:venetoclax

# **BTkIs (ibrutinib/acalabrutinib)**

- **Common side effects:**

- Muscle/bone pain
- Cytopenia
- Hypertension
- Diarrhea (early , reversible)

- **Serious side effect:**

- Bleeding: (peri-procedural management)
- Atrial fibrillation
- Opportunistic infections: PJP, aspergillosis (?) (case reports)

- **Second generation BTkI, acalabrutinib has a better toxicity profile**

- **Acalabrutinib**

# PI3Kis (idelalisib/duvelisib)

- Important side effects
  - LFT abnormalities (idelalisib)
  - Pneumonitis
  - CMV reactivation and PJP (**FDA alert 2016**)
- Colitis/Diarrhea
  - Median time to grade III/IV : 7 months
  - Not responsive to anti-motility agents
  - Corticosteroids ; treat as aGVHD



## Management of adverse events associated with idelalisib treatment: expert panel opinion

Steven E. Coutré, Jacqueline C. Barrientos, Jennifer R. Brown, Sven de Vos, Richard R. Furman, Michael J. Keating, Daniel Li, Susan M. O'Brien, John M. Pagel, Martin H. Poleski, Jeff P. Sharman, Nai-Shun Yao & Andrew D. Zelenetz

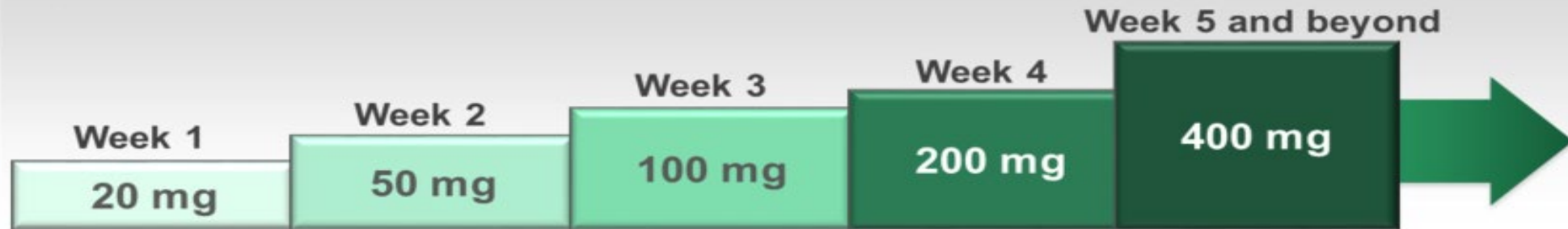
# Don't use Idelalisib in treatment naïve patients!

## Toxicity Frequency

	Phase I	Overall relapsed	Upfront Pts ≥ 65 yo	Upfront younger Pts
Number of patients	54	760	64	24
Median prior treatments	5 (2-14)	≥ 1	0	0
Median age	63 (37-82)	66 (21-91)	71 (65-90)	67 (58-85)
Median time to therapy (months)	15 (0.2-49)	-	22 (0.8 – 46)	8 (0.7-16)
Grade ≥ 3 transaminitis	1.9%	14%	23%	52%
Grade ≥ 3 Colitis/diarrhea	5.6%	14%	42%	13%
Any grade pneumonitis	5.6%	3%	3%	13%
Reference	Brown Blood 2014	Coutre EHA 2015	O'Brein Blood 2015	Lampson ASH 2015

# Venetoclax

Figure 1: Dosing Schedule for Ramp-up Dose

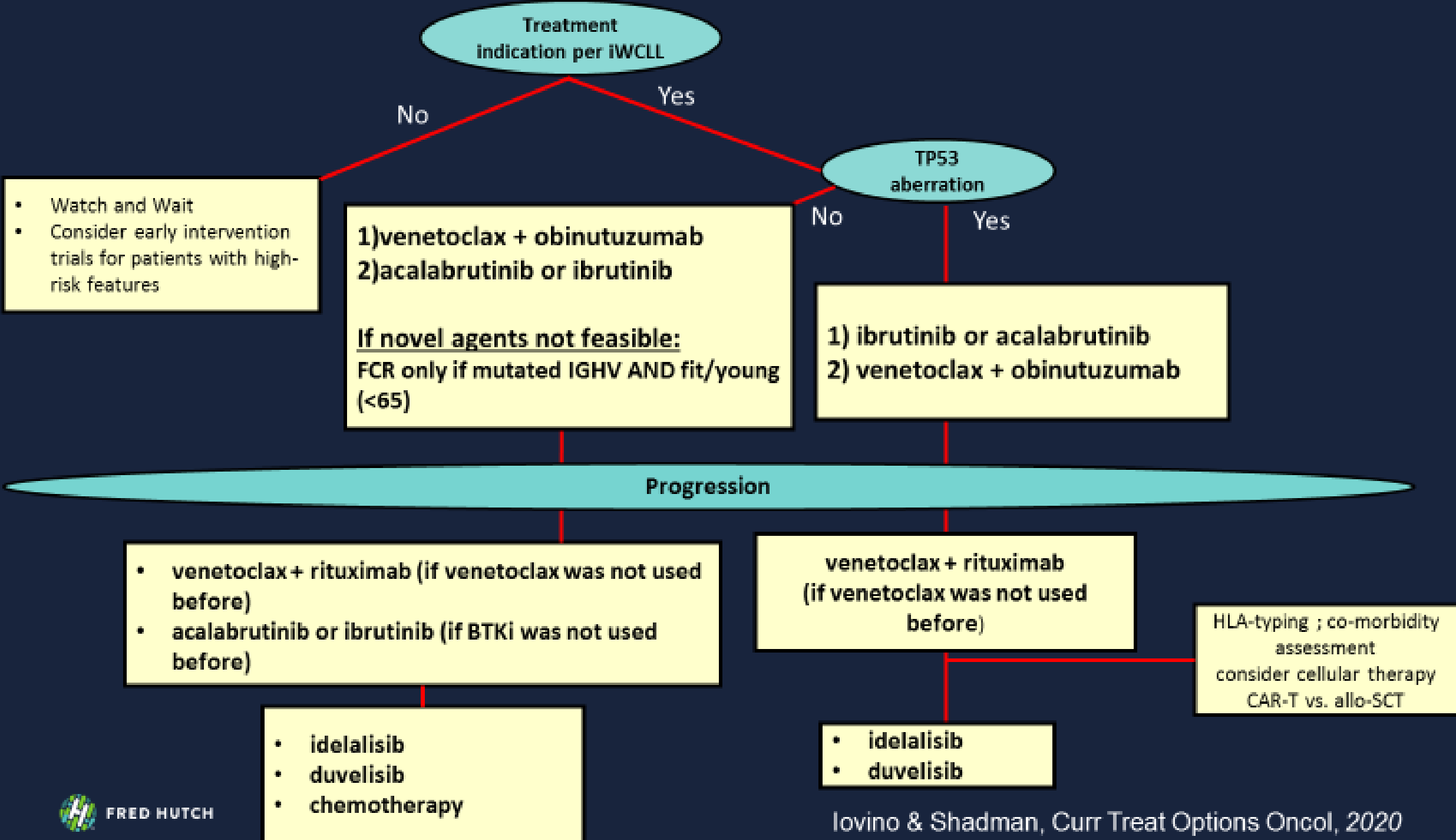


Tumor Burden		Prophylaxis		Blood Chemistry Monitoring <sup>c</sup>
		Hydration <sup>a</sup>	Anti-hyperuricemics	Setting and Frequency of Assessments
<b>Low</b>	All LN <5 cm AND ALC <25 × 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	Oral (1.5-2 L)	Allopurinol <sup>b</sup>	<b>Outpatient</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-dose, 6-8 hours, 24 hours at first dose of 20 mg and 50 mg</li> <li>Pre-dose at subsequent ramp up doses</li> </ul>
<b>Medium</b>	Any LN 5 cm to <10 cm OR ALC ≥25 × 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	Oral (1.5-2 L) and consider additional intravenous	Allopurinol	<b>Outpatient</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-dose, 6-8 hours, 24 hours at first dose of 20 mg and 50 mg</li> <li>Pre-dose at subsequent ramp up doses</li> <li>Consider hospitalization for patients with CrCl &lt;80 mL/min at first dose of 20 mg and 50 mg; see below for monitoring in hospital</li> </ul>
<b>High</b>	Any LN ≥10 cm OR ALC ≥25 × 10 <sup>9</sup> /L AND any LN ≥5 cm	Oral (1.5-2 L) and intravenous (150-200 mL/hr as tolerated)	Allopurinol; consider rasburicase if baseline uric acid is elevated	<b>In hospital at first dose of 20 mg and 50 mg</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-dose, 4, 8, 12 and 24 hours</li> </ul> <b>Outpatient at subsequent ramp-up doses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-dose, 6-8 hours, 24 hours</li> </ul>

- For patients at risk of TLS, monitor blood chemistries at 6-8 hours and at 24 hours after each subsequent ramp-up dose

# Venetoclax

- Consider debulking strategies
- Follow the standard ramp-up schedule
- Coordinate with the inpatient team
- Selected patients can be treated using the “escalated inpatient ramp-up” \*
- Follow ALL TLS labs (not just uric acid!)
- Will take some effort to start



# What is new?

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- Upcoming approvals:
  - Zanubrutinib
  - Umbralisib and Ublituximab
- Important drug in development
  - Pirtobrutinib (LOXO-305)
- Important regimens in development
  - Combination therapy: venetoclax + BTKi (GLOW trial, CAPTIVATE, etc)
- CAR-T trials

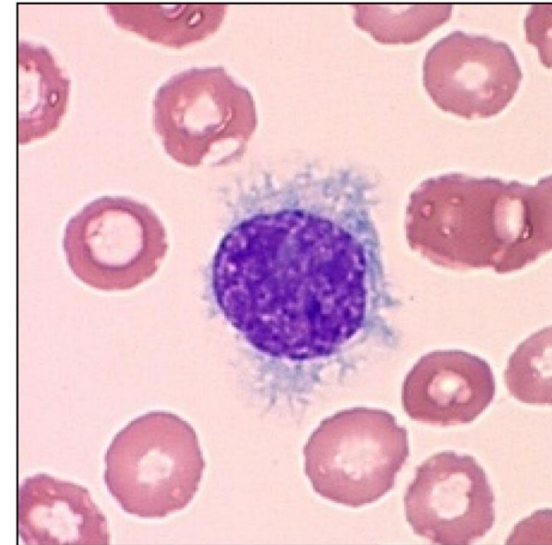


# CLL (Night before the test)

1. Flow cytometry is critical (and adequate) to make the diagnosis
2. Remember CLL immunophenotype (and differences with MCL and other lymphomas)
3. Review Indications for treatment. This hasn't change even with new agents.
4. Check FISH before each line of treatment (r/o del 17p/P53 mutation)
5. Frontline (no del17p or P53mutation): Ven-G or BTKi (acalabrutinib is better tolerated). FCR reasonable for: fit, <65 and mutated IGHV.
6. Relapsed setting: Ven-R or BTKi (acalabrutinib better tolerated), idelalisib/duvelisib.
7. For del 17p patients: BTKi, Ven-R, cellular therapy, idelalisib/duvelisib.
8. BTKi: initial lymphocytosis (is OK), bleeding, Afib, HTN, body pain (acalabrutinib is better tolerated)
9. Idelalisib/duvelisib: lymphocytosis (is OK), colitis, pneumonitis, hepatitis (more with idela), PJP, CMV – Don't use in frontline setting
10. Venetoclax: watch for TLS at the beginning. Ramp-up HAS to be done!

# Hairy Cell Leukemia

- Uncommon chronic B cell lymphoid neoplasm
- Small mature B cell lymphoid cells with abundant cytoplasm and "hairy" projections within the peripheral blood, bone marrow, and splenic red pulp
- Splenomegaly and cytopenias



# Hairy cell Leukemia (Diagnosis)

	CD11c	CD25	CD103	CD123	CD10	CD21	CD23	CD5	CD20	CD19	CD22	Annexin A1
HCL	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+

**BRAF V600E mutation is a disease-defining event**

**HCL variant:**

**CD25 (-) , CD123 (-), annexin A1 (-) and BRAF V600E (-)**

# Hairy cell Leukemia

- **Clinical presentation**

- Splenomegaly
- Cytopenias (infections, bleeding)
- Constitutional symptoms

- **Treatment Indications:**

- Systemic symptoms
- Splenic discomfort
- Recurrent infections
- Cytopenias (Hb <11, ANC < 1000, bleeding due to plt <100,000)

# Hairy Cell Leukemia

## Treatment

- **First Line**
  - Purine analogs
    - **Cladribine (2-CdA) + rituximab** – Up to 80% CR with a CR duration of 57 months (7 – 246) after a single cycle
    - **Pentostatin**
- **Refractory (failure in less than a year) or Relapsed disease**
  - purine analogs ± Rituximab
  - INF-alfa
  - rituximab
  - **BRAF targeting agents (Vemurafenib) ± rituximab**
  - **moxetumomab Pasudotox** (anti CD22 immunotoxin conjugate)

# Moxetumomab Pasudotox for R/R HCL

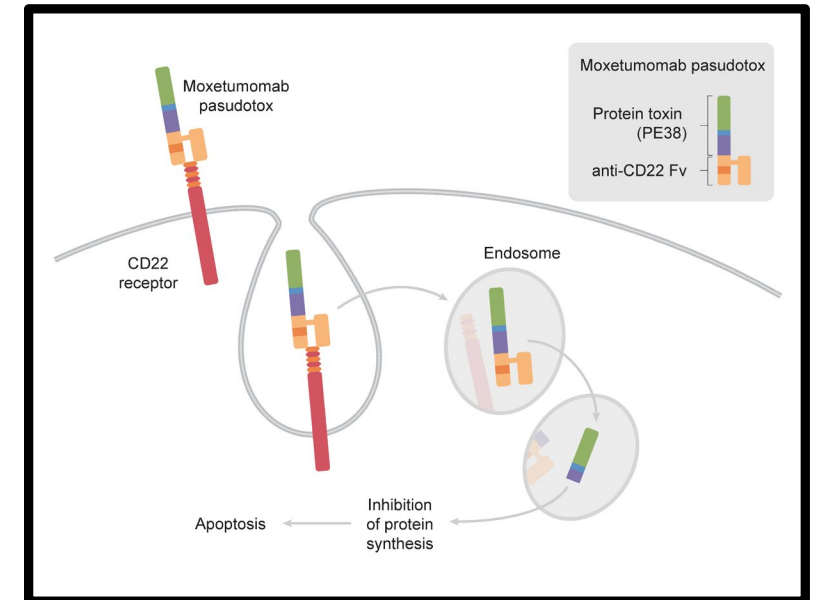
- Anti CD22 immunotoxin conjugate
- IV ; D1,3,5 of 28D cycle (up to 6 cycles)
- At least 2 prior systemic therapies, including a purine analog

- **Efficacy:**

- ORR: 75%
- durable CR: 30%
- MRD eradication 34% of all CRs

- **Unique side effects**

1. Hemolytic-uremic syndrome
  2. Capillary leak syndrome
- supportive care and discontinuation were effective
  - could occur at any cycle



# Please Consider Clinical Trials!

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