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Macroglobulinemia di Waldenstrom

Terapia



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Management of WM patient

- IgM monoclonal gammopathy (any level)
- Bone marrow infiltration by LPL (>10%)
 - Intertrabecular pattern of bone marrow infiltration
 - Specific IF: sIgM+, CD19+, CD20+, CD22+, CD79+, FMC7+, CD52+, CD5±, CD10-, CD23-, CD25+, CD27+, CD103-, CD138-

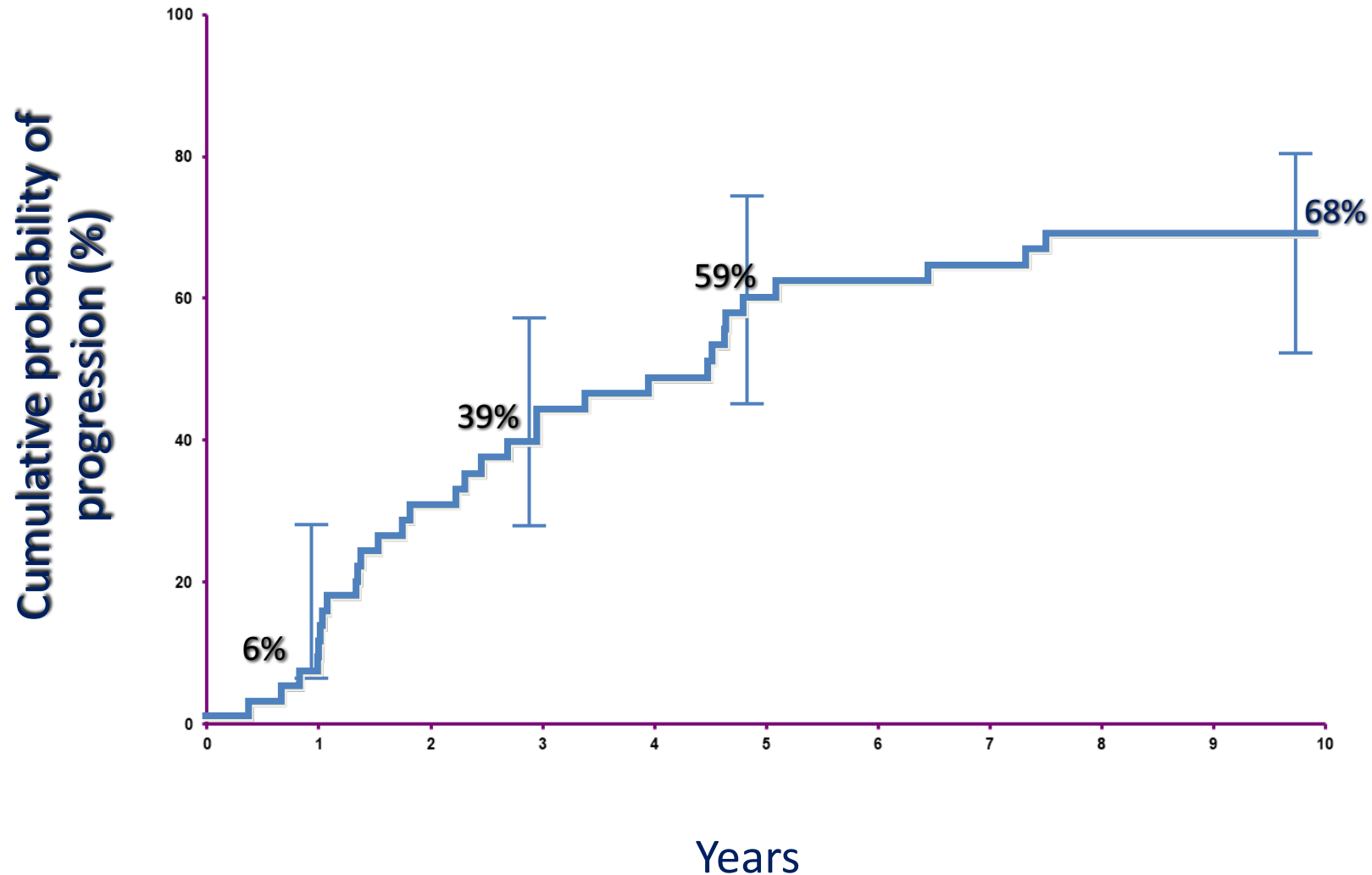
Asymptomatic

Symptomatic

OBSERVATION

TREATMENT

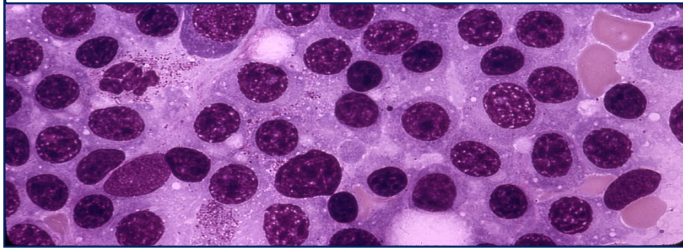
Progression of Smoldering WM to Symptomatic WM, AL or Lymphoma



Waldenstrom's Macroglobulinemia

Clinicopathological Manifestations

Tissue infiltration by
clonal cells



Bone Marrow Infiltration

- Anemia
- Thrombocytopenia
- Neutropenia

Lymphadenopathy organomegaly

Other organs (GI, pulmonary, CNS)

B symptoms

Morbidities mediated by the
IgM monoclonal protein

Hyperviscosity

Cryoglobulinemia type I

Autoantibody activity

- Cryoglobulinemia type II
- MAG, ganglioside
- cold agglutinins

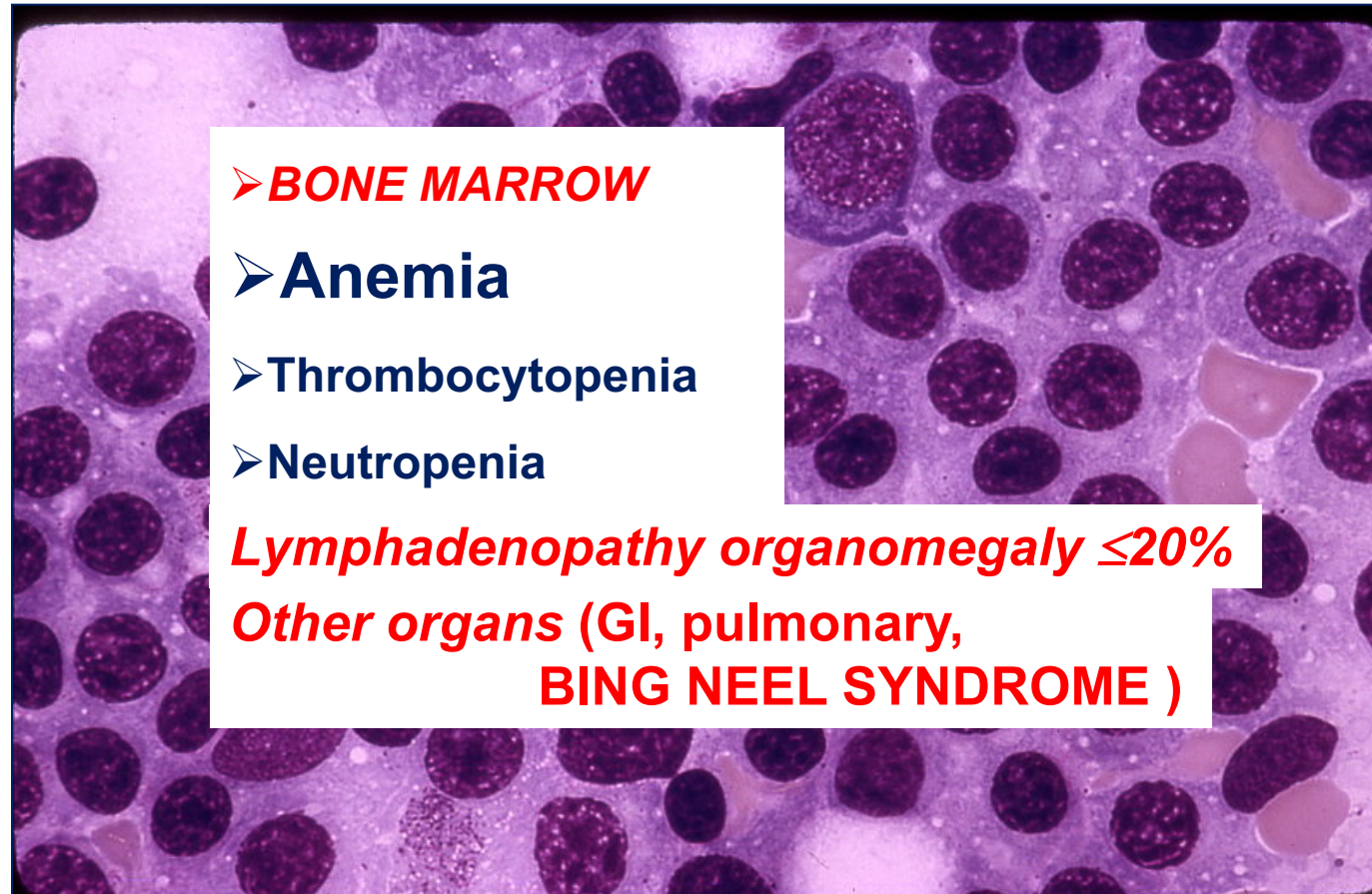
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- amorphous aggregates
- Skin, GI, kidney

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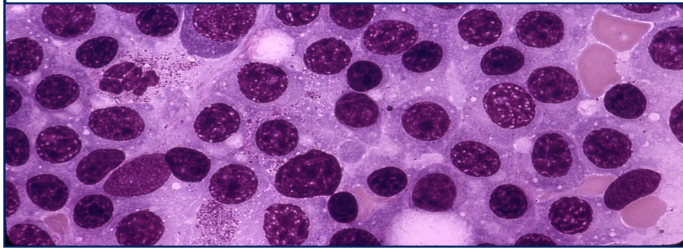
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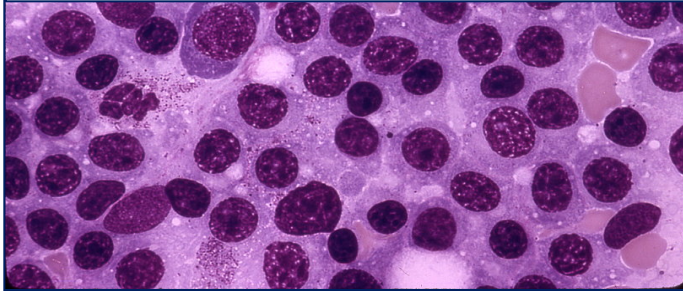
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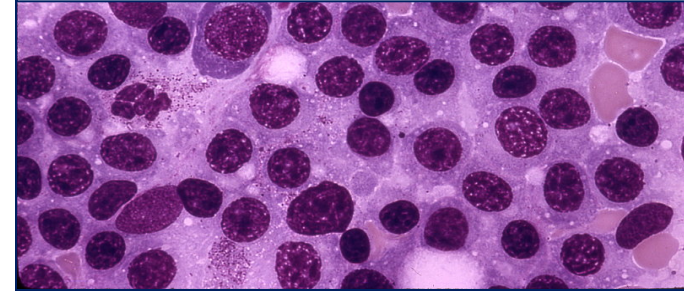
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Hyperviscosity

Hyperviscosity Syndrome (HVS)

observed in 15% of patients at diagnosis

- IgM level > 3g/dL – higher risk
- HVS unlikely unless > 4
- Viscosity levels vary between pts but correlate well with signs/sxs in the same patient
- Signs:
 - skin & mucosal bleeding,
 - blurred vision,
 - headache, dizziness, vertigo, ataxia, encephalopathy
 - or altered consciousness
- Funduscopy exam diagnostic: venous engorgement (“sausaging”)
- Rx: plasmapheresis



Stone & Bogen, 2012

IMMEDIATE DISEASE CONTROL REQUIRED

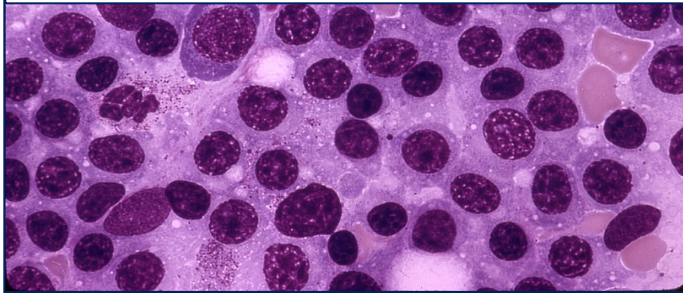
PLASMAPHERESIS

- Patients with **symptomatic hyperviscosity**
(bleeding, blurred vision, headache, dizziness, ataxia, encefalopathy, altered consciousness)
- Patients with IgM ≥ 5000 mg/dL **prior to Rituximab** or Ofatumumab (to avoid Rituximab-related IgM flare)
- **Patients with autoantibody syndromes that produce neuropathy or other organ dysfunction**

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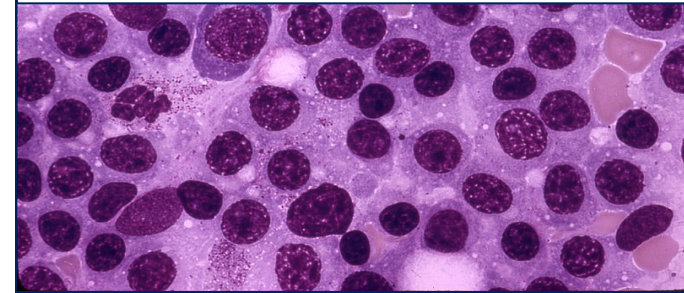
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Hyperviscosity

IgM neuropathy
~20%

Peripheral neuropathy

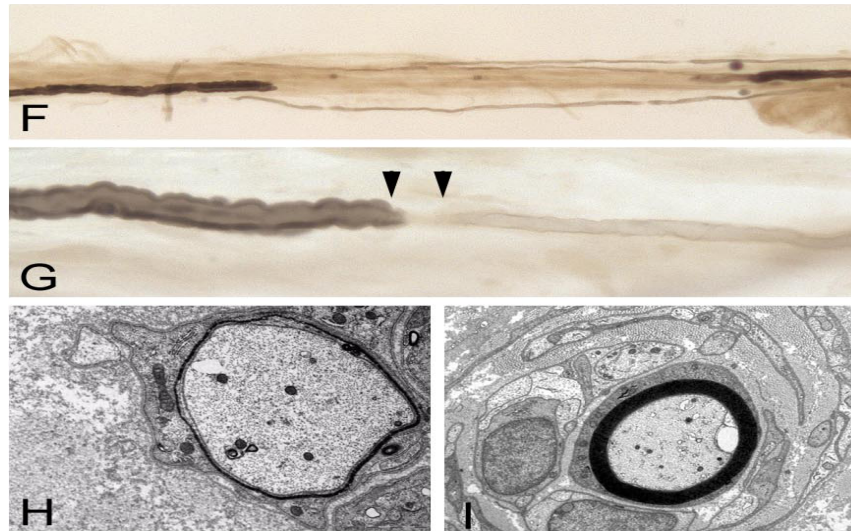
➤ Autoantibodies:

Anti-myelin-associated glycoprotein (anti- MAG)

Anti-ganglioside M1

Antisulfatide

(absence of autoantibodies does not exclude the diagnosis of IgM- related neuropathy)



➤ Amyloid deposits

➤ Cryoglobulinemia

➤ Neoplastic cells infiltration

Peripheral neuropathy

- ✓ **Chronic**
- ✓ **Progressive**
- ✓ **distal**
- ✓ **Symmetrical**
- ✓ **Sensory (paresthesias, aching discomfort, dysesthesias, or lancinating pains)**

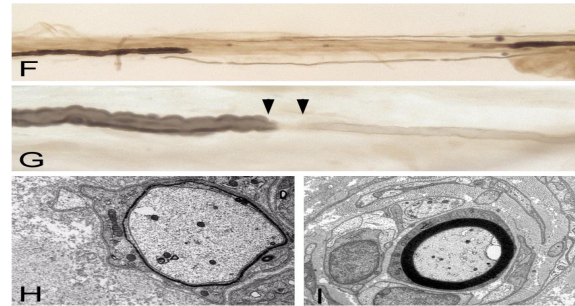
Less common later in disease course: motor nerves involvement

Leg muscle atrophy in advanced stages.

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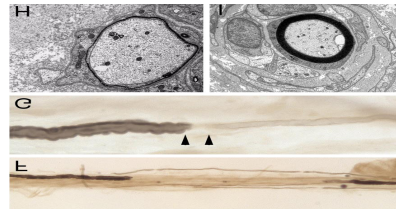
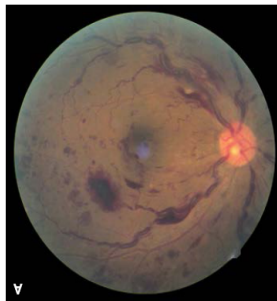
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Morbidities mediated by the IgM monoclonal protein



Considerations to be weighted in making the choice of a first line treatment

- **Age, Comorbidities**
- **Younger patients: stem cell collection**
- **Disease characteristic**



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Response rate to the treatment of Waldenström macroglobulinemia: A meta-analysis of the results of clinical trials

A. Santos-Lozano^{a,b,*}, A. Morales-Gonzalez^c, F. Sanchis-Gomar^a, C. Cristi-Montero^{d,e},
C. Fiuza-Luces^a, H. Pareja-Galeano^{a,f}, J. Martínez-López^{g,h}, N. Garatachea^{a,i,j}, A. Lucia^{a,f}

46 studies (corresponding to a total of 1409 patients)

*IN CONCLUSION PTS WITH WM SHOW A BETTER RR
TO COMBINATION THERAPY THAN MONOTHERAPY*

- **effect of the different therapies on VGPR could not be assessed (3 studies reported VGPR)**

Tedeschi 2012; Treon, 2014, 2009

- **Impossible to perform a meta-analysis on PFS: heterogeneity in reporting results**

- **mean time PFS** (Zinzaniet 1995; Case 1991)

- **median time PFS (with range at different follow-up times)** Betticheret 1997; Leblond 2013; Treon 2014, 2008, 2009, 2005; Agathocleous, 2010; Dimopoulos, 2002, 2003; Fenchel, 1995; Foran, 1999; Thalhammer-Scherreret, 2000; Van Den Neste, 2004

- **mean duration of response** (Leblond et al., 2001; Hellmann et al., 1999)

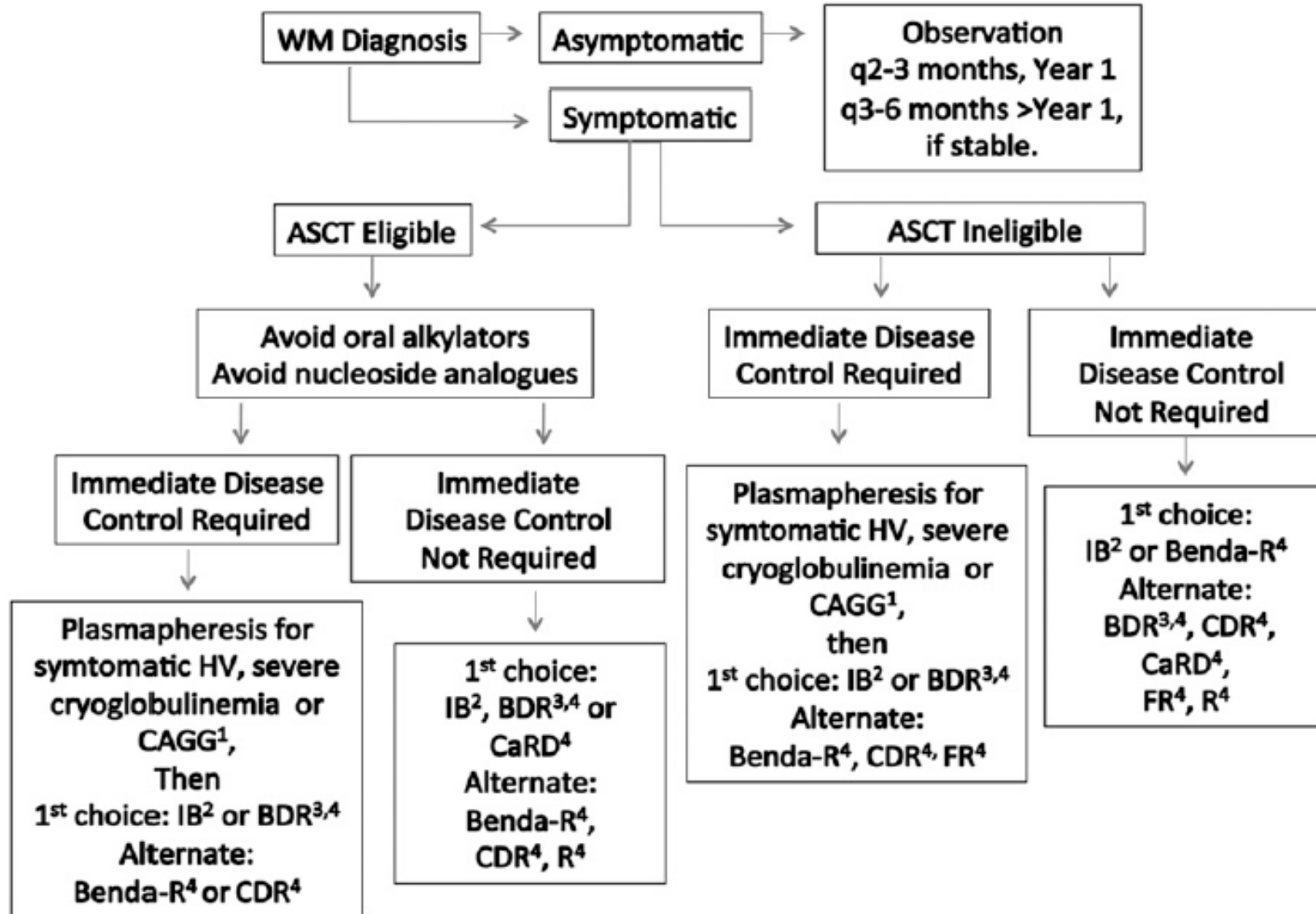
- **median duration of response** (Leblond et al., 2001; Peinert et al., 2010)

- **time to progression** Dimopoulos, 2005, 2004, 2002; Betticher, 1997; Treon, 2005; Dhodapkar, 2003

- **% of PFS patients at different follow-up times** Ghobrial, 2010; Dimopoulos, 2007, 1994; Tedeschi, 2012; Gertz et al., 2009, 2004; Anagnostopoulos, 2006; Delannoy, 1994; Treon et al., 2005; Rummel, 2013

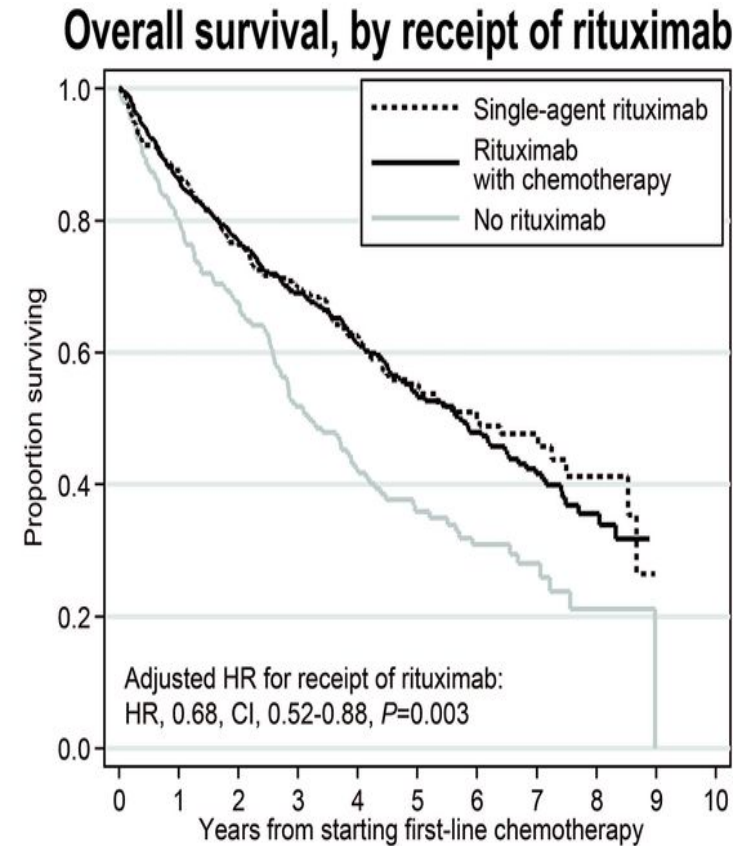
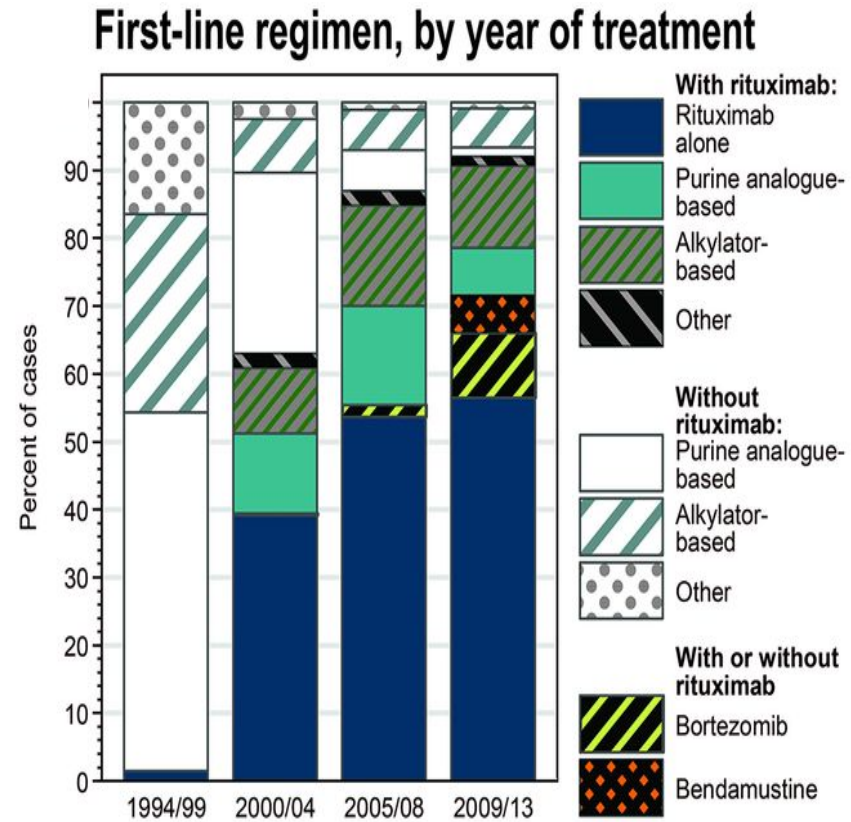
- **PFS data not reported** Buske, 2009; Fridrik, 1997; Henselet, 2005; Rabascio, 2010; Delannoy, 1994; Laszlo 2010; Van Den Neste, 2000

Guide to primary therapy for WM : Treon 2015



Standard first line treatment for medically fit pts

RITUXIMAB COMBINATIONS



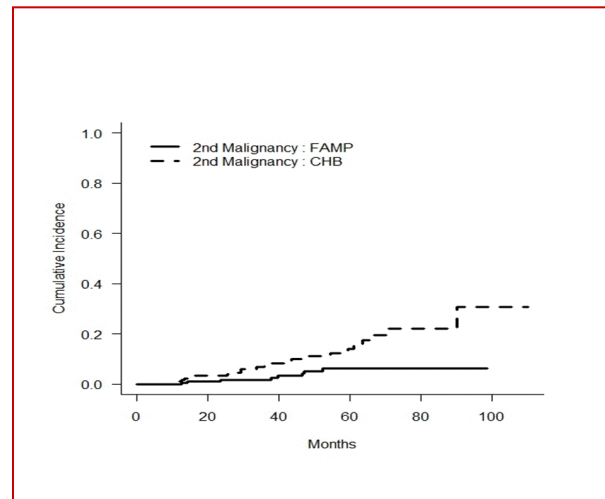
First line treatment: what should we avoid

- ▶ AVOID ORAL ALKYLATORS
- ▶ AVOID PURINE ANALOGUES
- ▶ AVOID VINCRISTINE (anthracyclines not necessary)

First line treatment: avoid oral alkylators

PHASE III randomized trial: Fludarabine vs Chlorambucil

- **Fludarabine by oral route:**
 - safe in WM patients,
 - more effective than CHB: ORR 47.8% vs 38%
 - significantly better duration of response and OS
- **For the first time a front-line treatment shows a significant impact on overall survival in WM**
- **In the CHB arm, @ 6 yrs statistically** higher number of second malignancies (20.6% vs 3.7%).



First line treatment: avoid purine analogues

Combination	N° pts	naive	ORR	Major	CR	TTP	Ref
R Fludarabine	43	63%	95%	86%	4%	51 m	Treon 2008
R Flu Cy	43	65%	79%	74%	11%	50 m	Tedeschi A 2012

✓ *Immunosuppression*

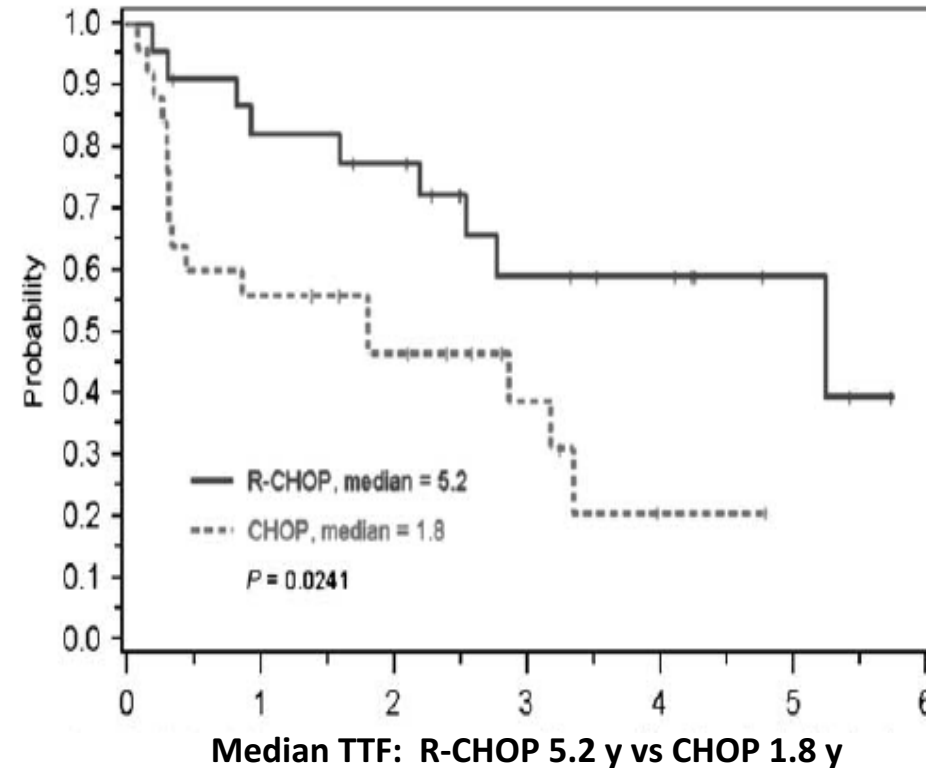
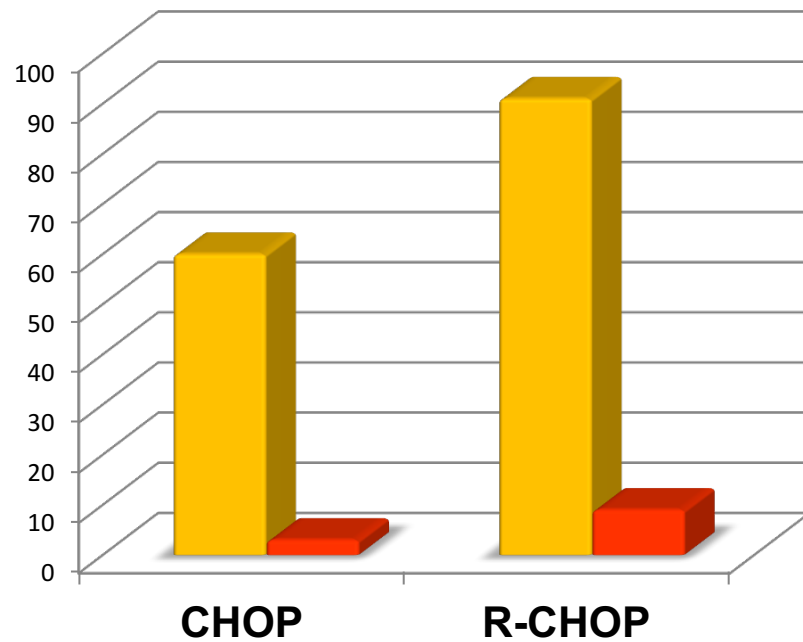
✓ *Myelosuppression*

✓ *Impact on stem cell collection*

✓ *Potential secondary malignancy risks*

First line treatment: avoid VCR, anthracycline

Rituximab with CHOP in Lymphoplasmocytic lymphoma



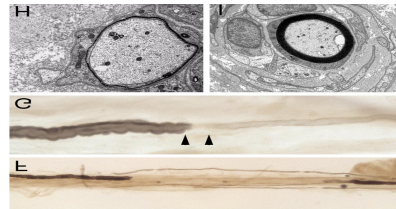
✓ *neuropathy from vincristine*

✓ *febrile neutropenia*

✓ *hospitalization*

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First line treatment choice

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DRC: Dexamethasone Cyclophosphamide Rituximab

BR: Bendamustine Rituximab

Ibrutinib: no reimbursement

Bortezomib: only R/R

Primary Treatment of Waldenström Macroglobulinemia With Dexamethasone, Rituximab, and Cyclophosphamide

Meletios Athanasios Dimopoulos, Athanasios Anagnostopoulos, Marie-Christine Kyrtsonis, Konstantinos Zervas, Constantinos Tsatalas, Garyfallia Kokkinis, Panagiotis Reponasis, Argyris Symeonidis, Souzana Delimpasi, Eirini Katsodritou, Elina Vervessou, Evridiki Michali, Anastasia Rouli, Dimitra Gika, Amalia Vassou, Evangelos Terpos, Nikolaos Anagnostopoulos, Theophanis Economopoulos, and Genasimos Pargalis

Drugs	dose	1	2	3	4	5
Dexamethasone iv	20 mg	♦				
Rituximab iv	375 mg sqm	♦				
Cyclophosphamide PO	200 mg sqm	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

72 pts Toxicity

89% of pts completed the expected 6 courses

Percentage of pts affected					
Toxicity grade	0	1	2	3	4
Neutropenia	66	15	10	7	2

20 infections: 1 infection related death

9 requiring hospitalization

10 treated on an outpatient basis

First line treatment: DRC

Response

- CR 7 %

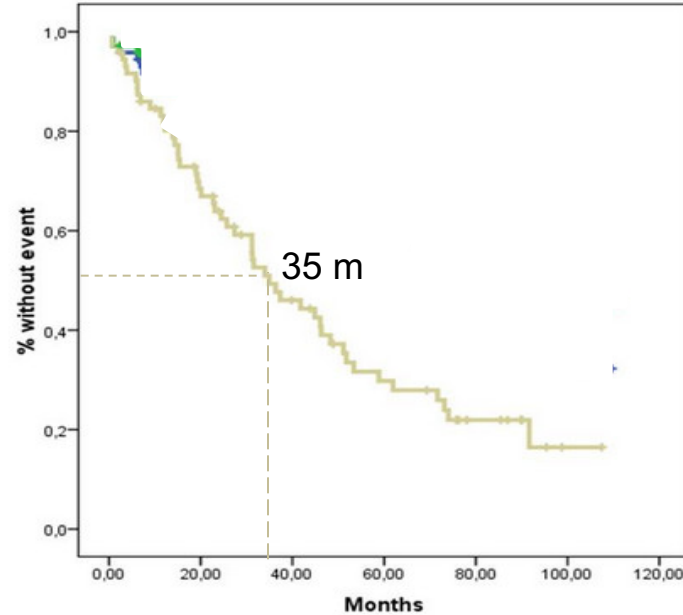
- PR 67 %

- MR 9 %

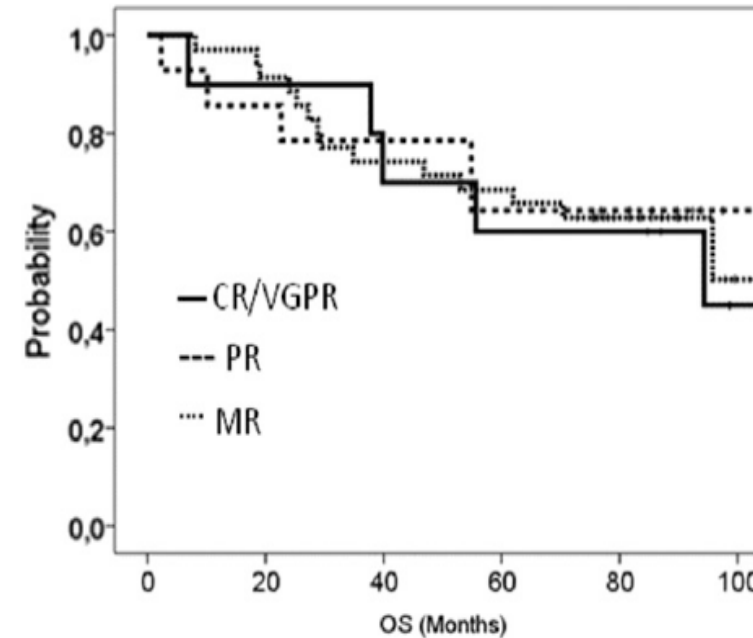
Time to Next Treatment

51 m

Progression Free Survival



Overall Survival



First line treatment: DRC

Median time to 50% reduction of serum monoclonal protein
4.1 m (range, 0.7 to 14 months)

To be considered:

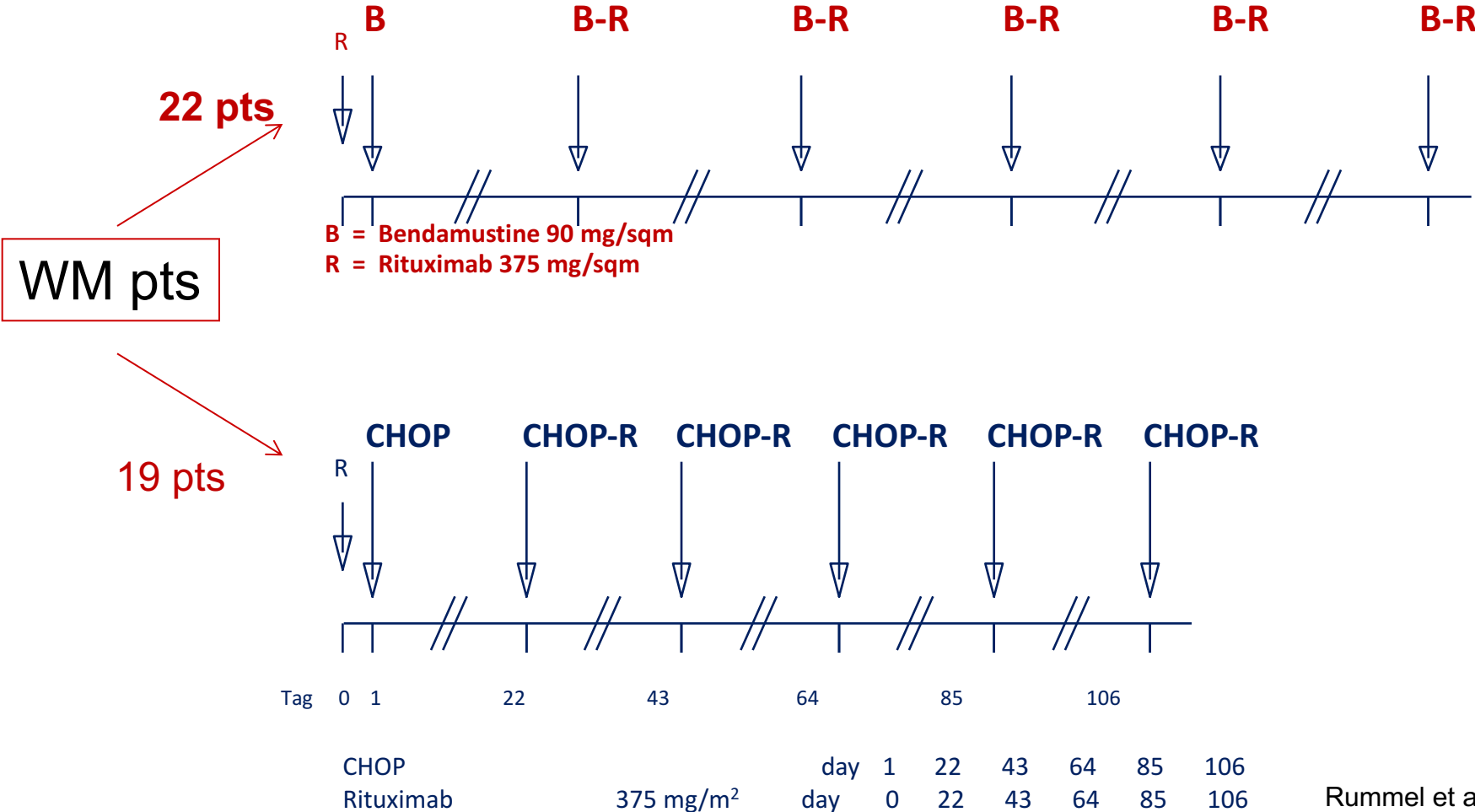
- Immediate disease control not required
- elderly
- Cytopenia
- Autoantibodies (neuropathy)

Bendamustine plus rituximab versus CHOP plus rituximab as first-line treatment for patients with indolent and mantle-cell lymphomas: an open-label, multicentre, randomised, phase 3 non-inferiority trial



Lancet 2013; 381: 1203-10

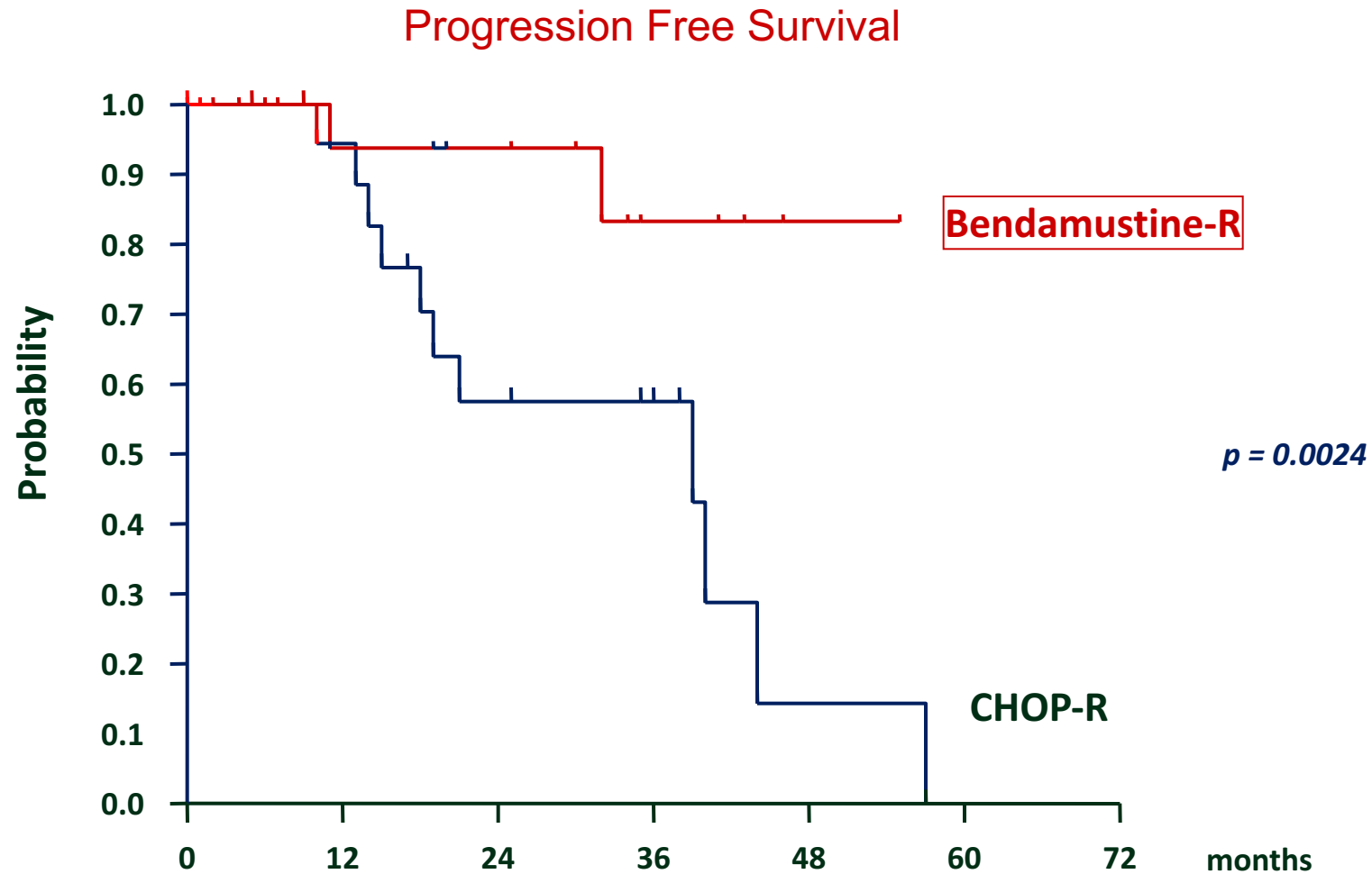
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First line treatment: Bendamustine Rituximab

	Bendamustine Rituximab	CHOP Rituximab
Response rate	96%	94%
Disease Relapse	9%	41%
Deaths	4%	6%
Leucocytopenia 3/4	12%	38%
G-CSF	4%	20%
Infections	27%	41%
Neuropathy (any grade)	2%	9%
Waldenstrom Neuropathy (any grade)	1%	3%

First line treatment: Bendamustine Rituximab



Salvage treatment Bendamustine Rituximab

71pts

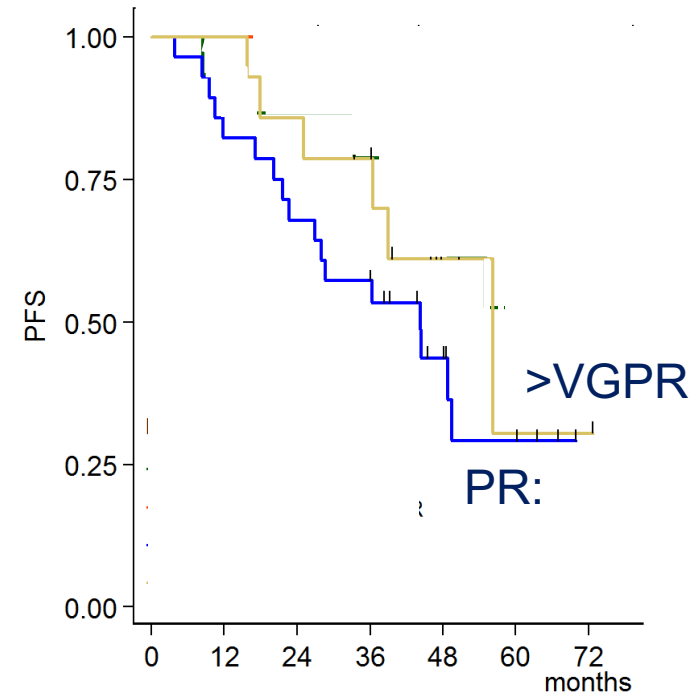
45 pts (63%):

Bendamustine 90 mg/sqm d 1,2; Rituximab 375 mg/sqm d 1

26 pts (37%)

Bendamustine 70 (50) mg/sqm d 1,2 Rituximab 375 mg/sqm d 1

Overall Response Rate:	81%
CR+VGPR:	23%
PR:	52%
mR:	6%



Salvage treatment Bendamustine Rituximab

	N° (%) on 71 pts	N° (%) on 361 courses
Neutropenia G 3/4*	25 (36)	47 (13)
Anemia G 3/4	6 (9)	11 (3)
PLTpenia G 3/4	6 (9)	11 (3)
Dose reduction	10 (15)	14 (4)
Treatment delay	28 (39)	36 (10)

FUO: 14 episodes in 11 pts (15%)

INFECTIONS: 14 in 10 pts (14%)

Major 5 (4 pneumonia; 1 fatal sepsis)

Minor 9 (4 HZ, 4 upper respiratory tract, 1 oral candidiasis)

First line treatment Bendamustine Rituximab

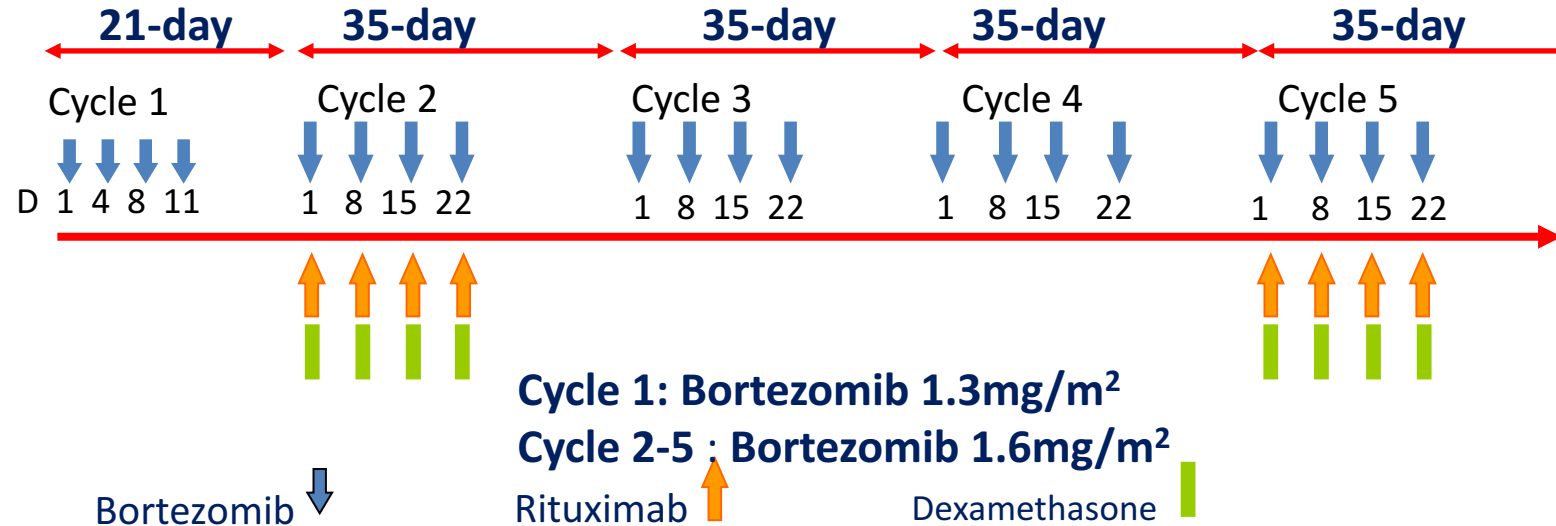
Treatment well tolerated even in elderly patients

To consider:

- Immediate disease control required
- Bulky disease

Primary therapy of Waldenström macroglobulinemia (WM) with weekly bortezomib, low-dose dexamethasone, and rituximab (BDR): long-term results of a phase 2 study of the European Myeloma Network (EMN)

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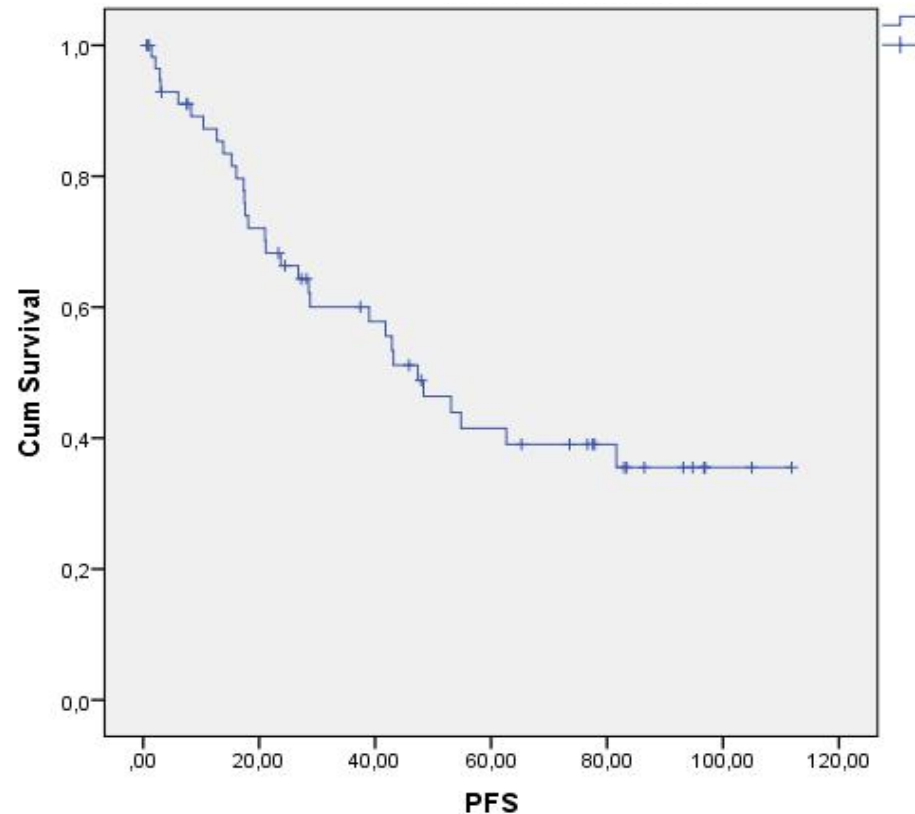
Bortezomib Rituximab Dexamethasone

first line treatment

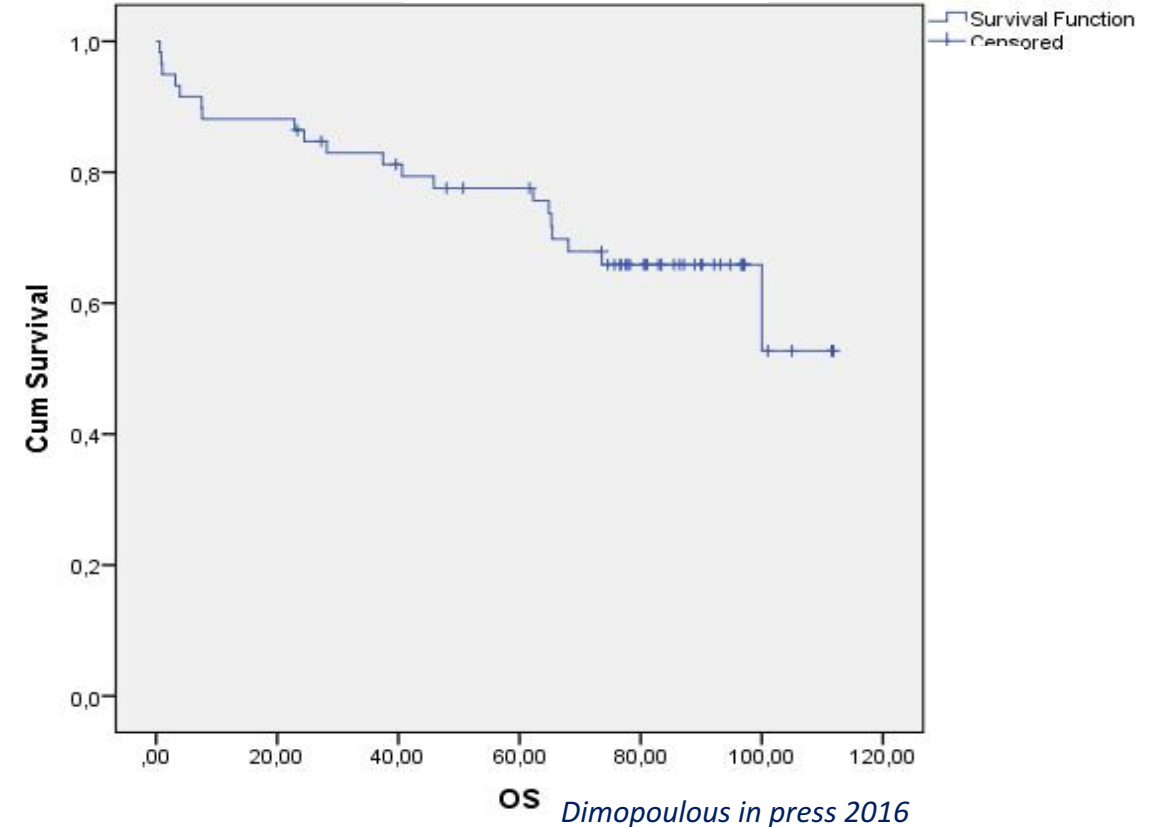
ORR: 85 % → CR: 3%
VGPR: 7%
PR: 58%
mR: 17%

Median follow up: 86 months

Progression Free Survival



Overall Survival



Bortezomib Rituximab Dexamethasone

first line treatment

- High ORR: 85-96%
- Follow-up :
Dimopoulous et al 2016 weekly schedule 5 courses: median PFS 42 m
Trean et al 2015 d1,4,8,11;n8 courses: TTP 5.5 y, Estimated 5-y PFS: 57%
- Low rate of haematological toxicity
- Rapid IgM reduction: median time to response 1.4 m
- Major concern:
Neurotoxicity need of dose reductions/discontinuation
Weekly bortezomib: associated with less neuropathy

Treon et al 2009,2015

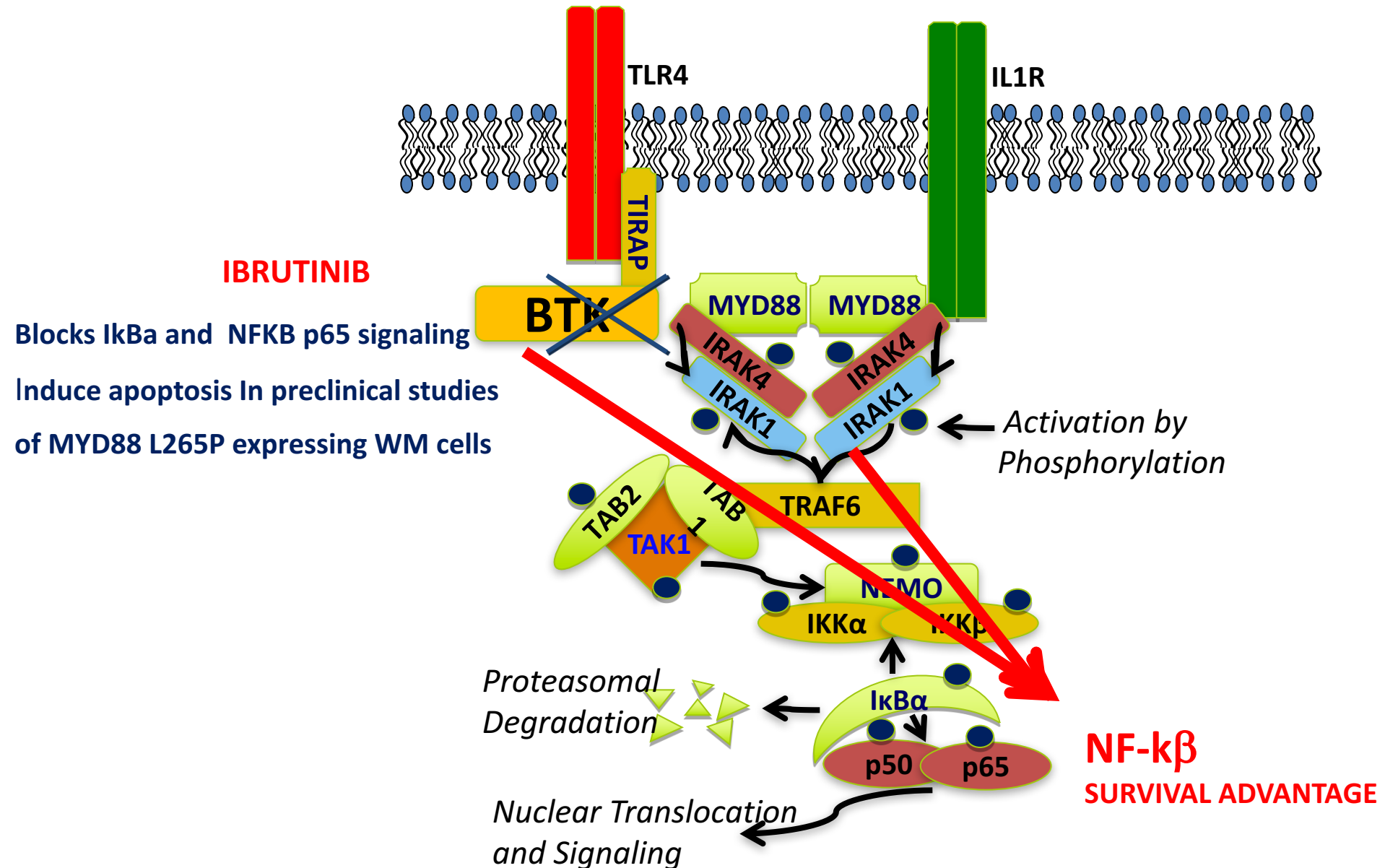
Ghobrial et al 2010

Dimopoulous 2013, 2016

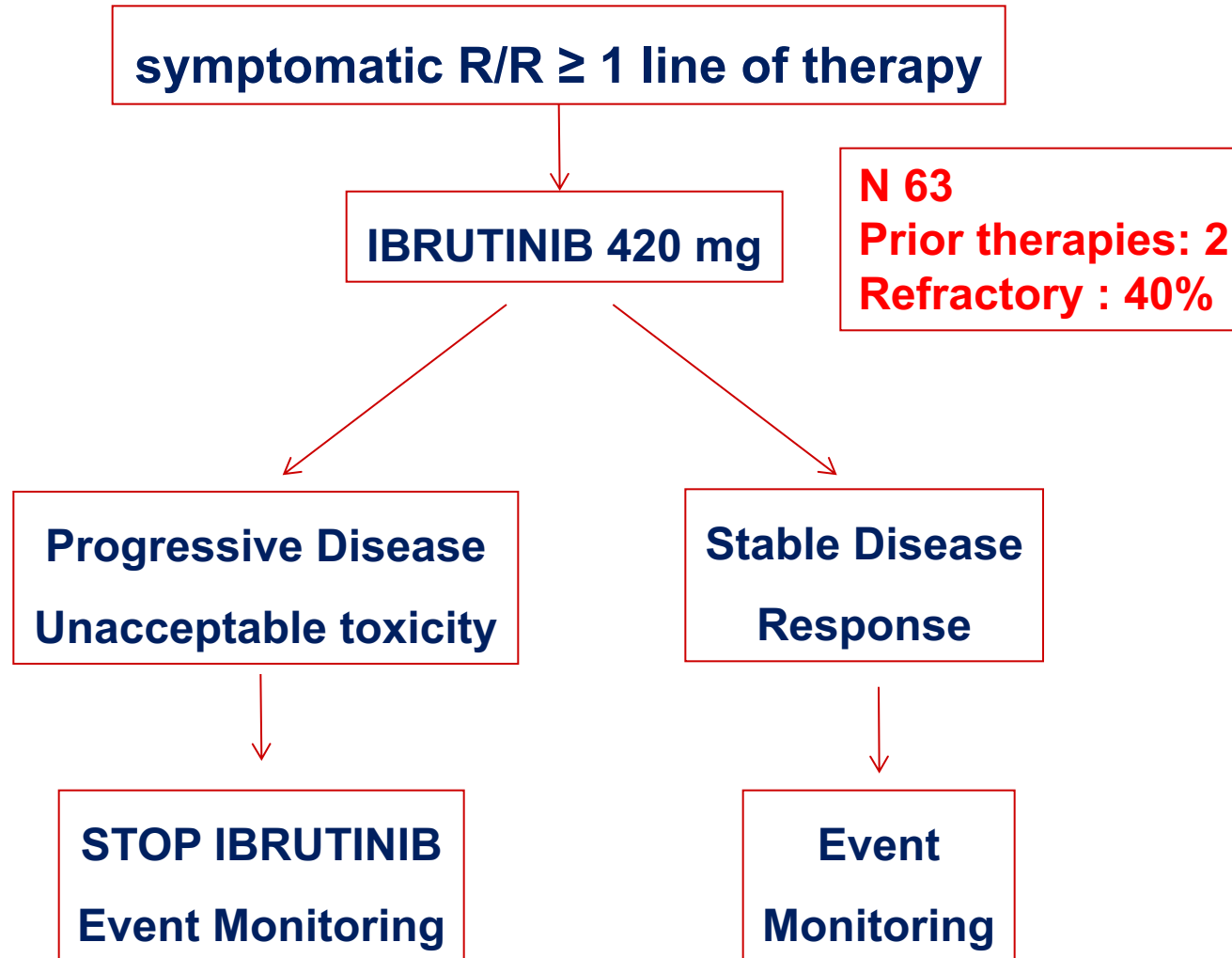
Salvage treatment in WM

	F-R <i>Treon 2009</i>	2CdA-R <i>Laszlo 2010</i>	FCR <i>Tedeschi 2015</i>	B-R <i>Tedeschi 2015</i>	B-R <i>Treon 2011</i>	Bortezomib-R <i>Ghobrial 2010</i>
N° pts	16	13	37	71	24	37
Median previous Tx	1	1	1	1	2 (1-9)	2 (1-5)
ORR	93.8	81%	81%	80%	79%	81%
Major R	81.3%	-	80%	74%	79%	52%
Tx discontinuation for toxicity	21% 1 st line or >	17% 1 st line or > 4 courses	29%	14%	30%	12%
Median Follow-up	40.1 m	NE in R/R	51 m	19 m	7.5 m	14 m
TTP median	38.4 m	-	NR	NR	13.2 m	16.4 m

Ibrutinib in WM



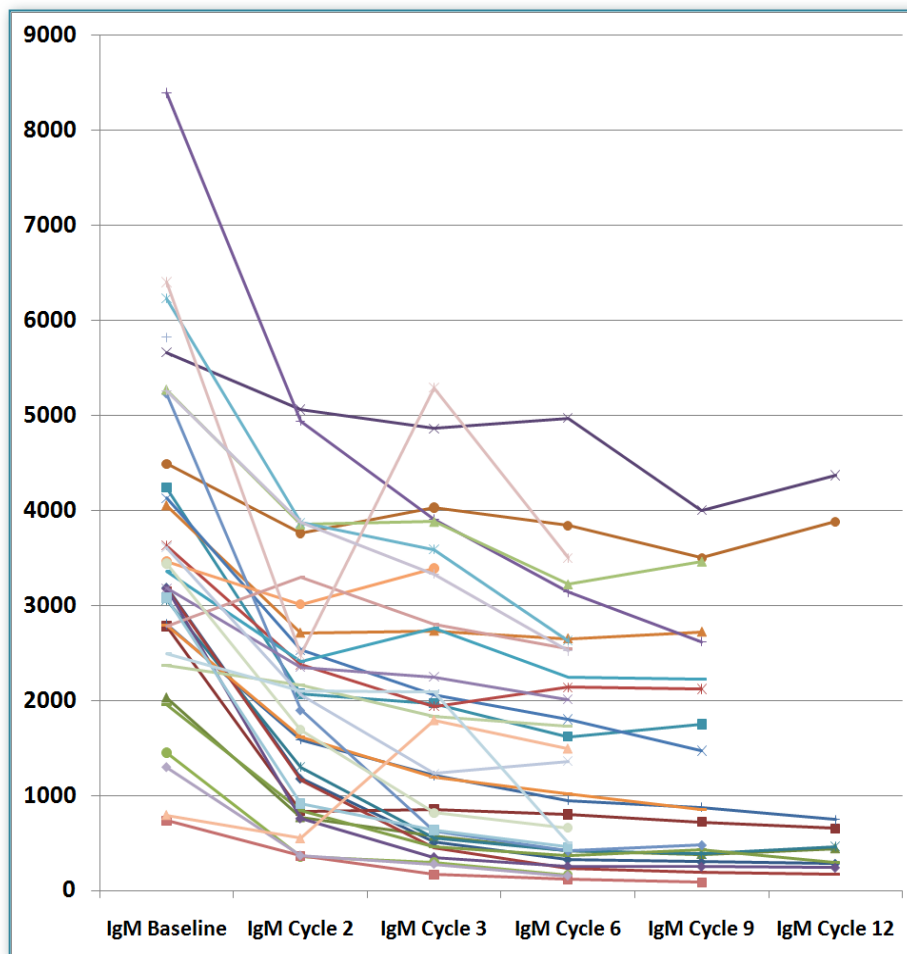
Ibrutinib in Previously Treated Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia



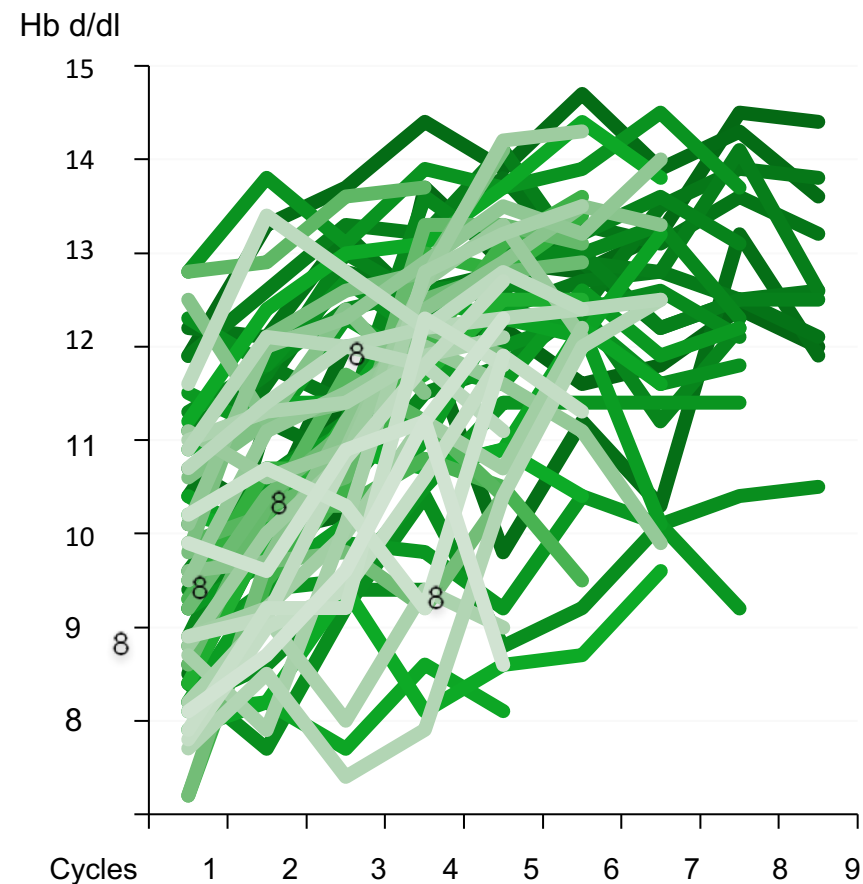
Ibrutinib WM: IgM levels and Hb

Serial Serum IgM Levels Following Ibrutinib

Median time to Response = 4 weeks

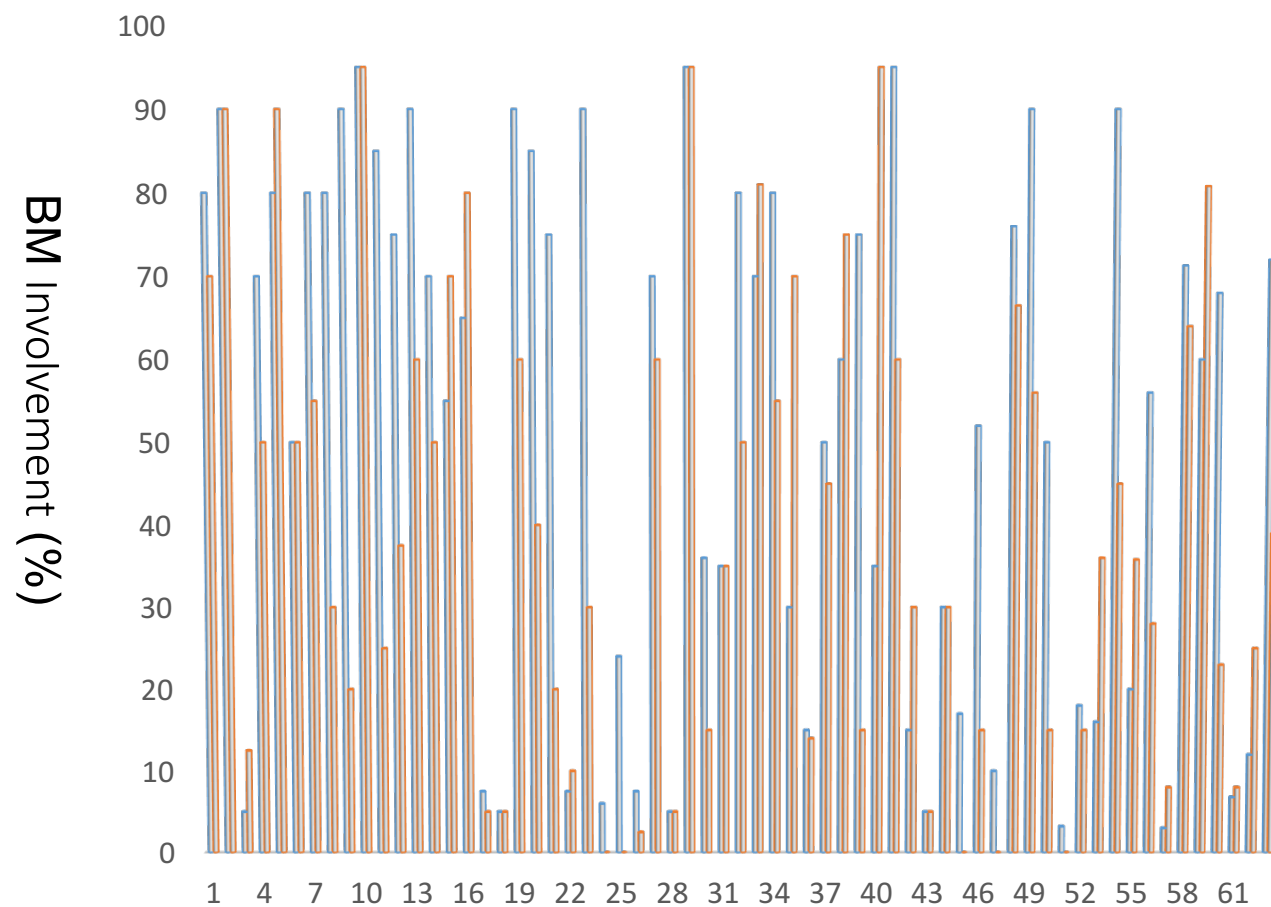


Hemoglobin Response



Ibrutinib WM: IgM levels and Hb

At Best Response 60% to 25%; $p < 0.01$



Ibrutinib WM: Response

Response after a median duration of: 19.1 (range 0.5-29.7) months

Response	N° pts
CR	0
VGPR	10
PR	36
mR	11

MRR
73%

ORR
90.5%

Median time to at least a:

- mR 4 weeks

- PR 8 weeks

EXTRAMEDULLARY DISEASE

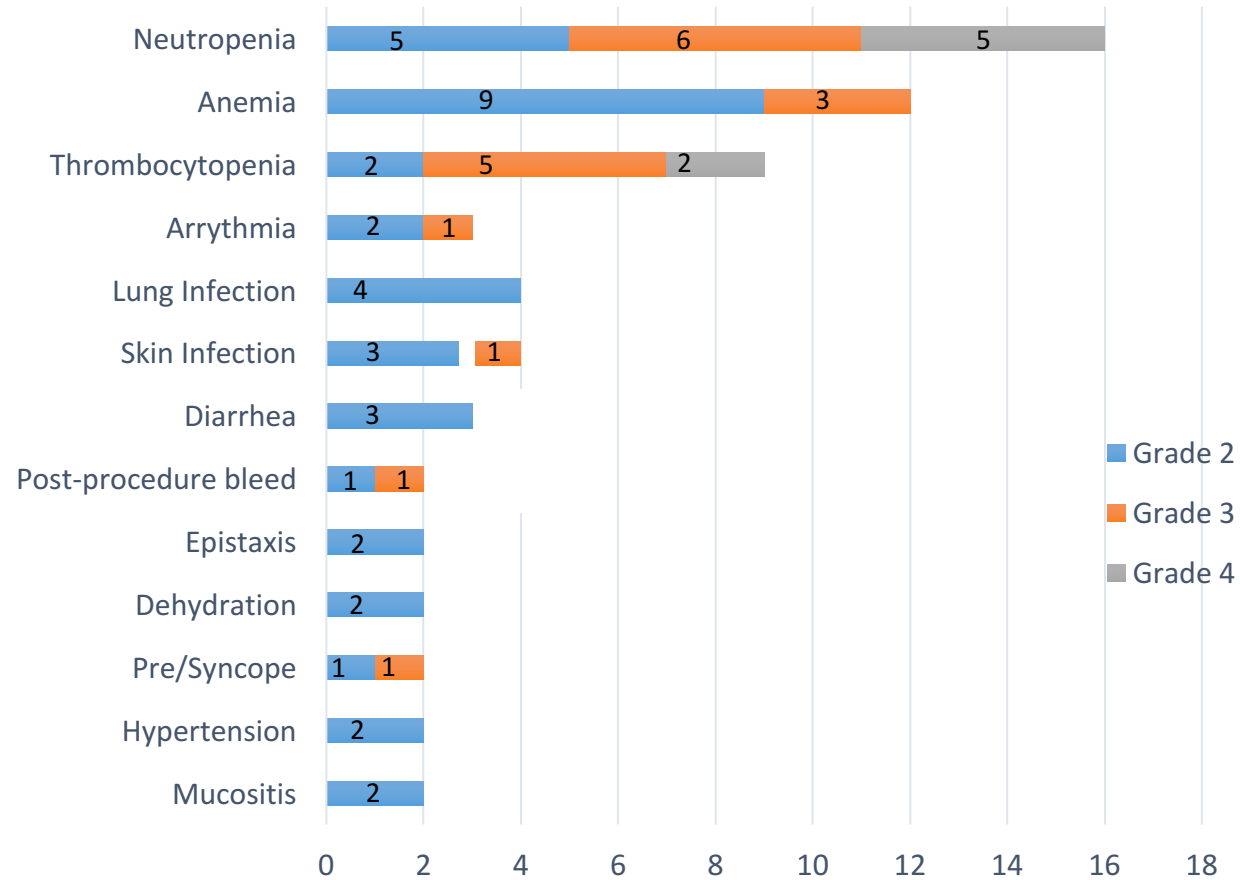
68% decreased or resolved adenopathy

57% decreased splenomegaly

PERIPHERAL NEUROPATHY

9/9 improvement or stabilization

Ibrutinib Related Adverse Events

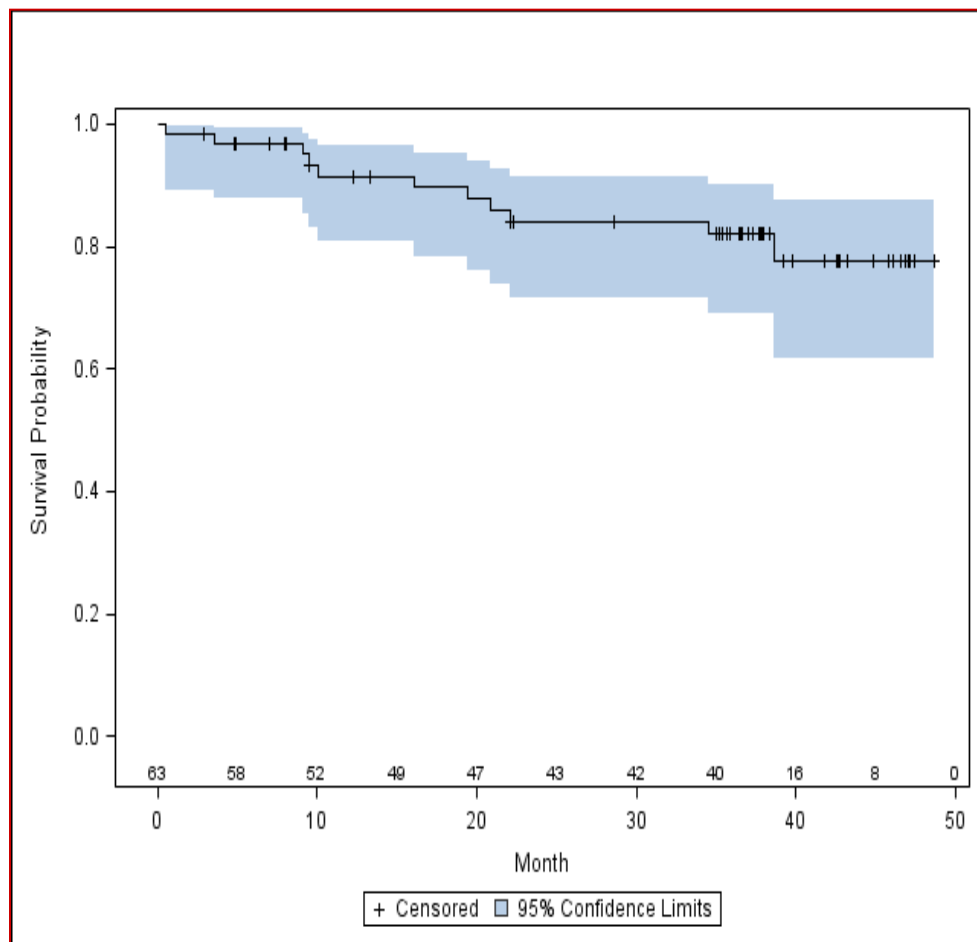


Number of Subjects with Toxicity

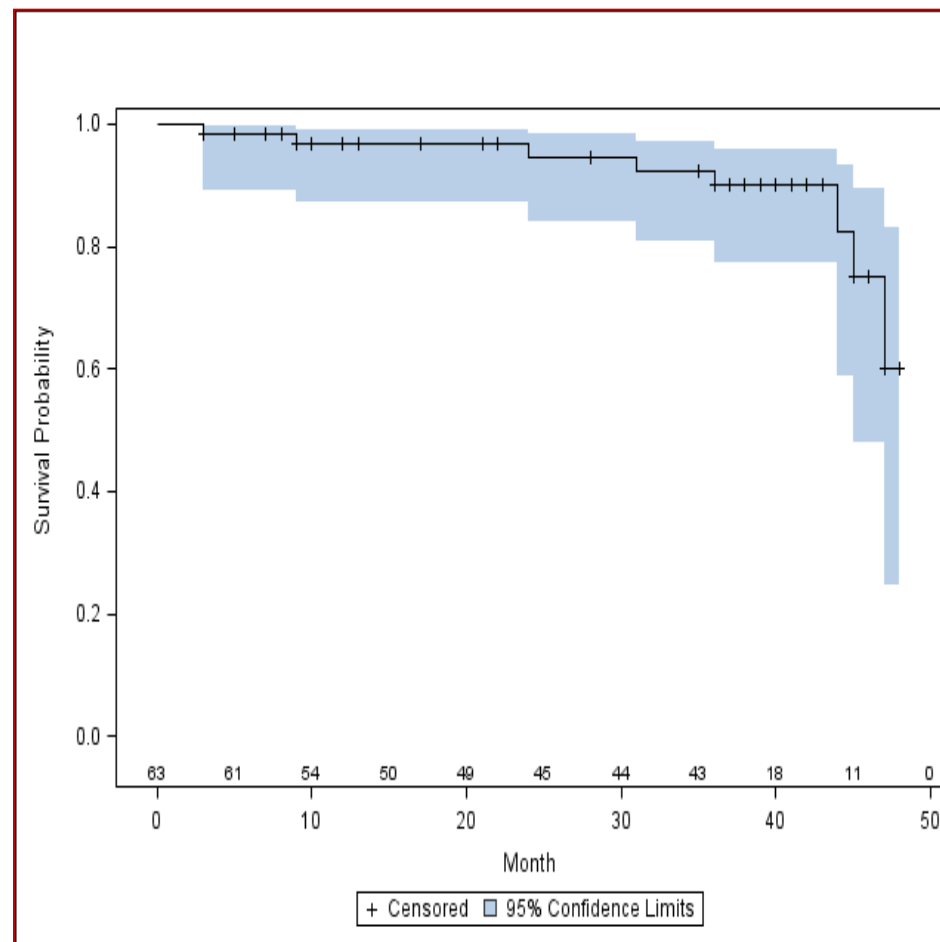
Ibrutinib in WM: long term follow-up

Median follow-up 37 months

Progression-free survival

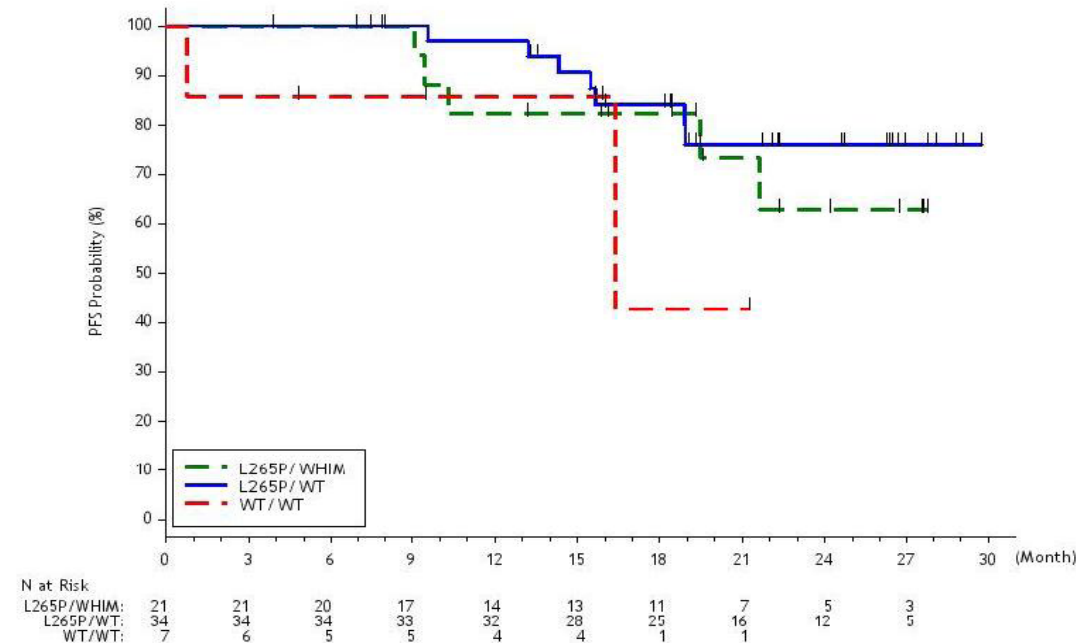


Overall survival



Ibrutinib WM: efficacy according to biological features

	MYD88 ^{L265P} CXCR4 ^{WT}	MYD88 ^{L265P} CXCR4 ^{WHIM}	MYD88 ^{WT} CXCR4 ^{WT}	P value
N	34	21	7	
ORR	100%	85.7%	71.4%	<0.01
Major RR	91.2%	61.9%	28.6%	<0.01

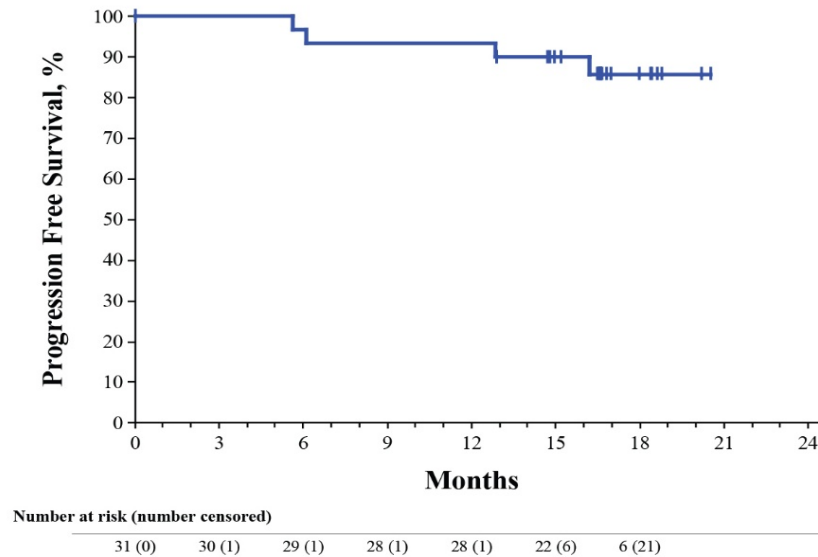


Single-Agent Ibrutinib in Rituximab-Refractory WM Results From a Multicenter, Open-Label Phase 3 Substudy (iNNOVATE™)

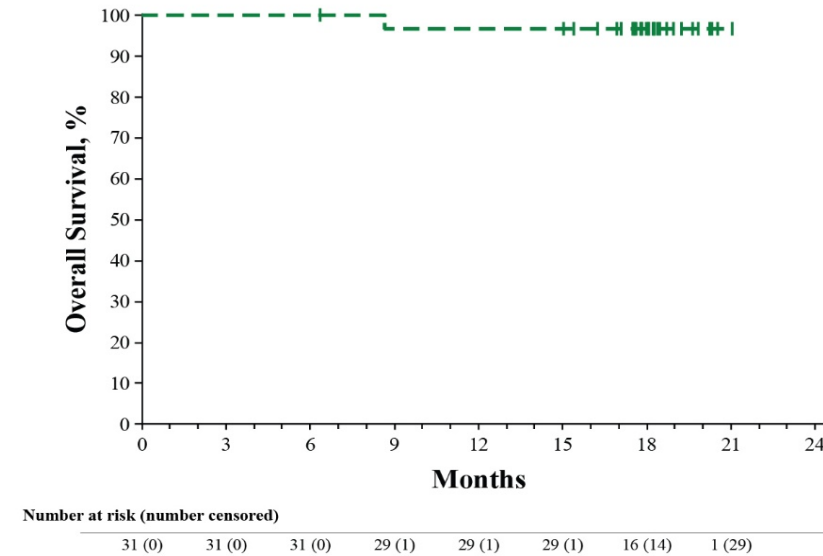
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31 pts median of 4 prior therapies, 71% having ≥ 3 prior therapies

Progression-free survival

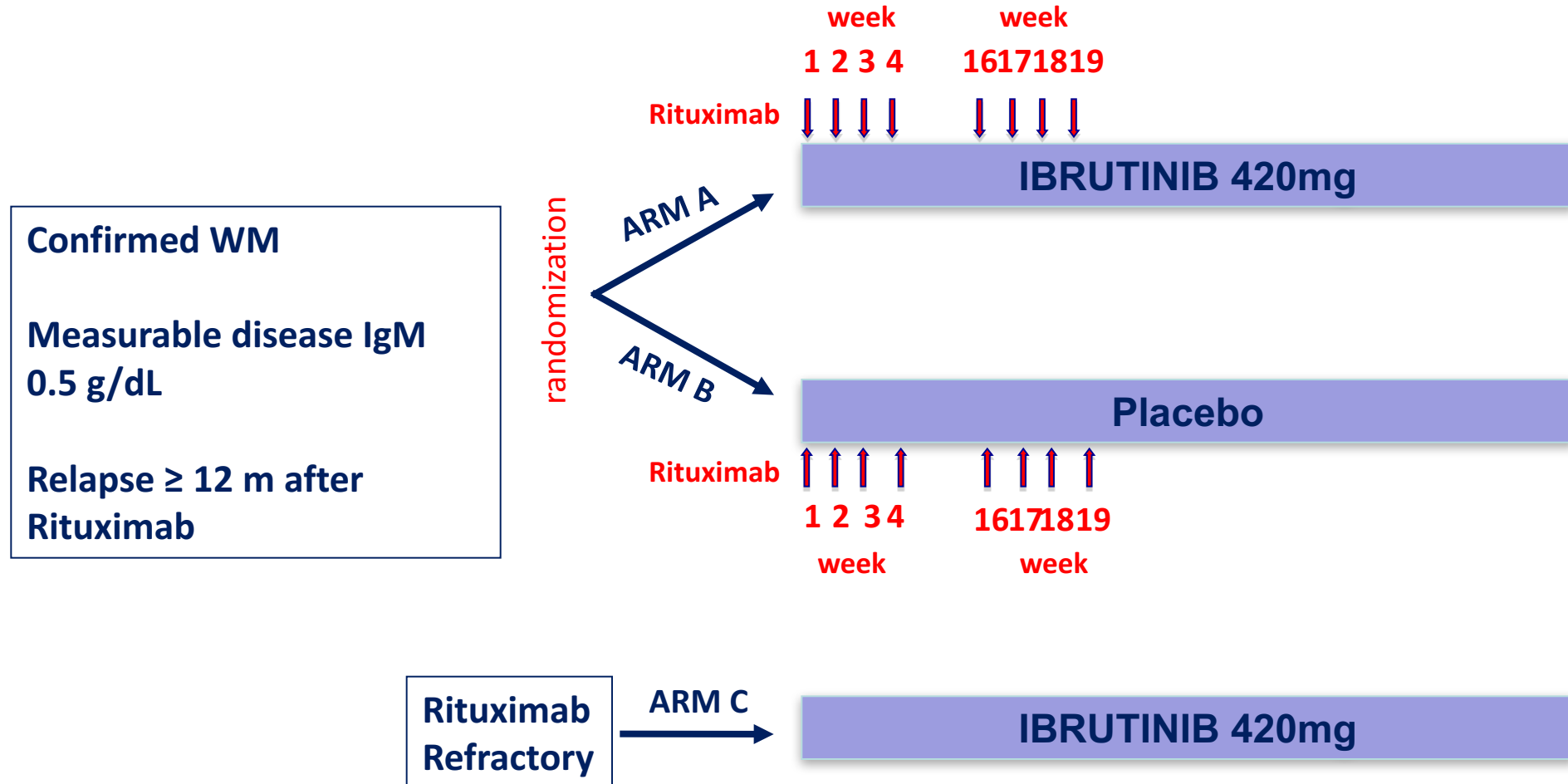


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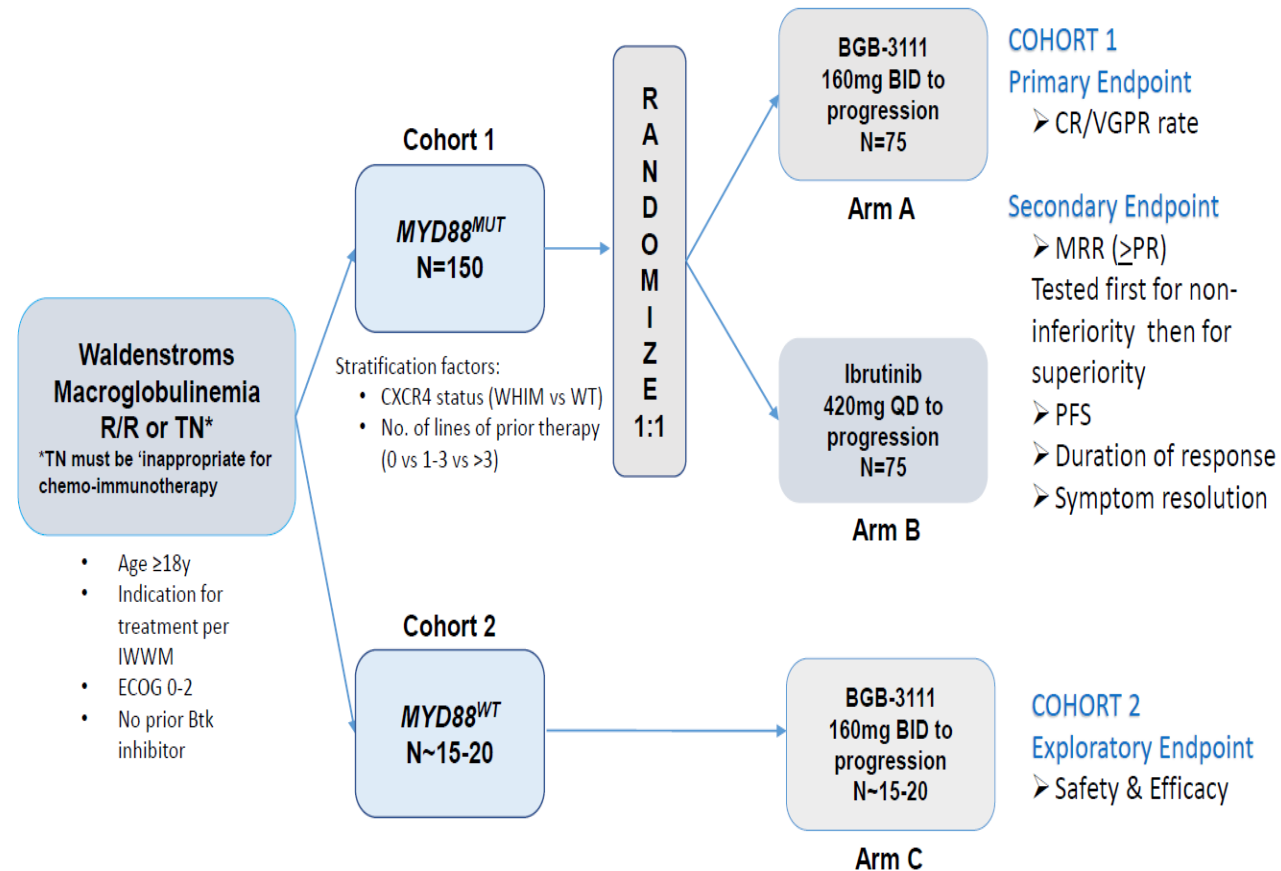
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International Multicenter, Open-Label Phase 3 (iNNOVATE™) rituximab placebo versus rituximab ibrutinib *Study Design*



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A Phase 3, Randomized, Open-Label, Multicenter Study Comparing the Efficacy and Safety of the Bruton's Tyrosine Kinase (BTK) Inhibitors BGB-3111 and Ibrutinib in Subjects with Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia (WM)

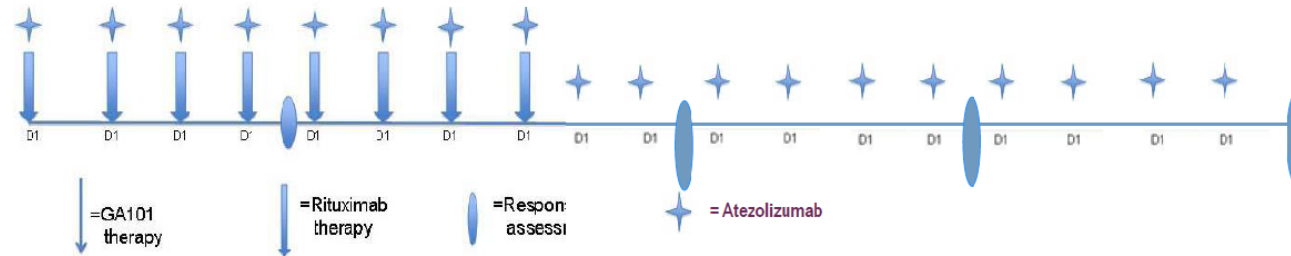


A PHASE II STUDY EXPLORING THE SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF ATEZOLIZUMAB ADMINISTERED IN COMBINATION WITH OBINUTUZUMAB OR RITUXIMAB ANTI-CD20 THERAPY IN PATIENTS WITH RELAPSED/REFRACTORY MANTLE CELL LYMPHOMA, MARGINAL ZONE LYMPHOMA AND WALDENSTRÖM MACROGLOBULINEMIA

MCL & WM: Atezolizumab + GA101

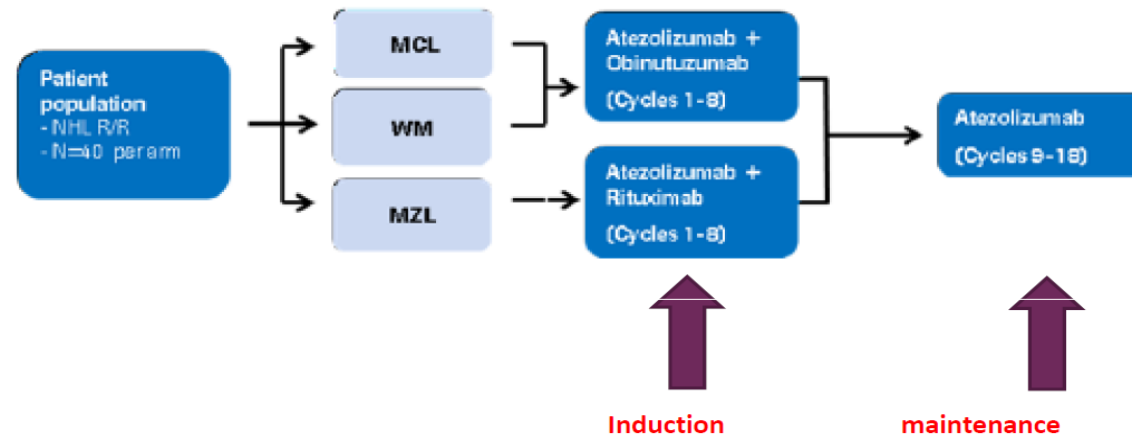


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Sites will prospectively choose
CHOP for 6 or 8 cycles

Cycle length: 3 weeks





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