

# CAR-T, bi-specifics and drugs in the pipeline

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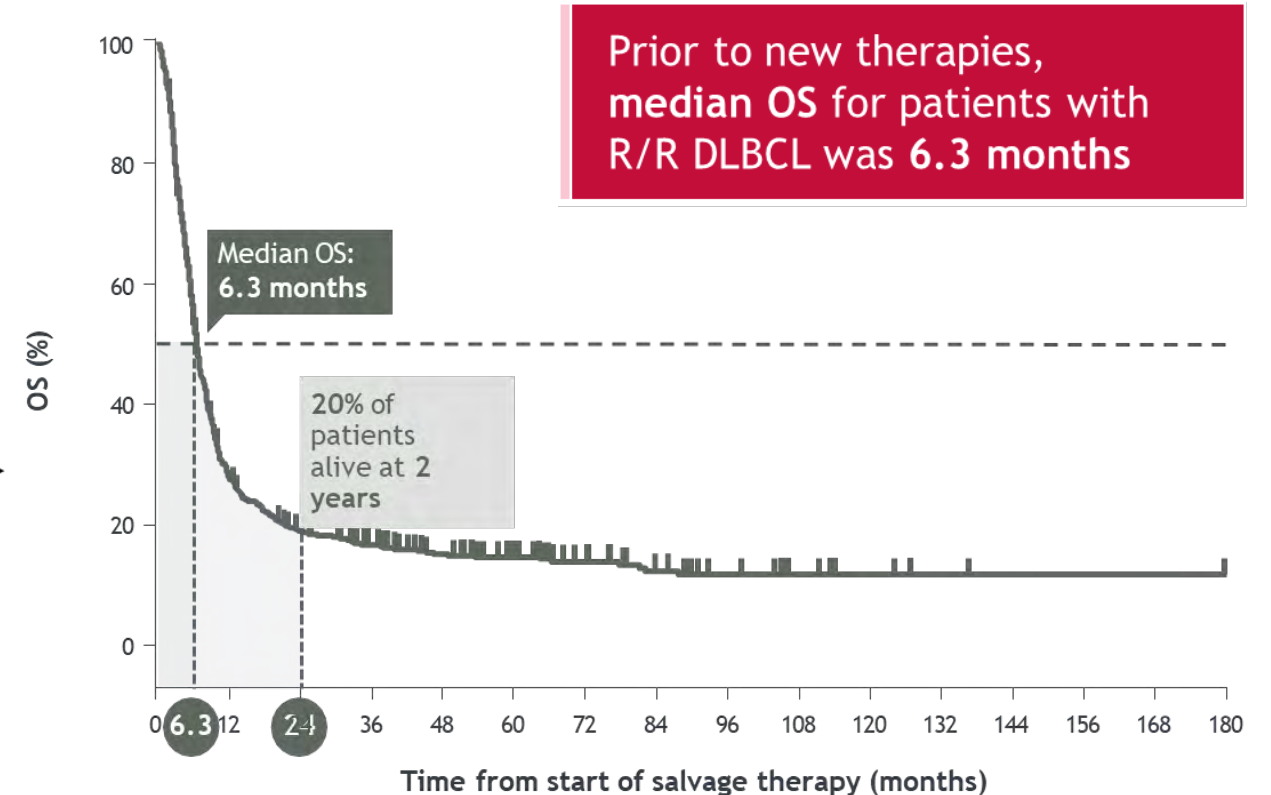
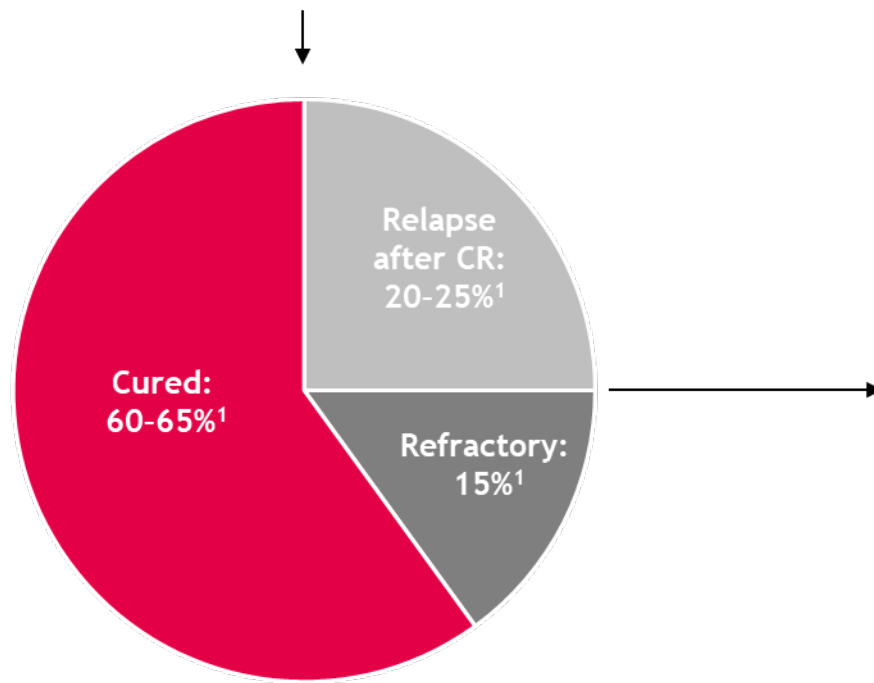
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Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma

# Outcomes are poor for patients who are refractory to or relapse following 1L therapy

DLBCL 1L R-CHOP treatment



# New therapies: More considerations

## Factors to consider



Option of a good clinical trial



Prior therapies



Patient disease status



Refractory status



Comorbidities



Ability to tolerate therapy



Patient wishes



CNS event



Change of MoA

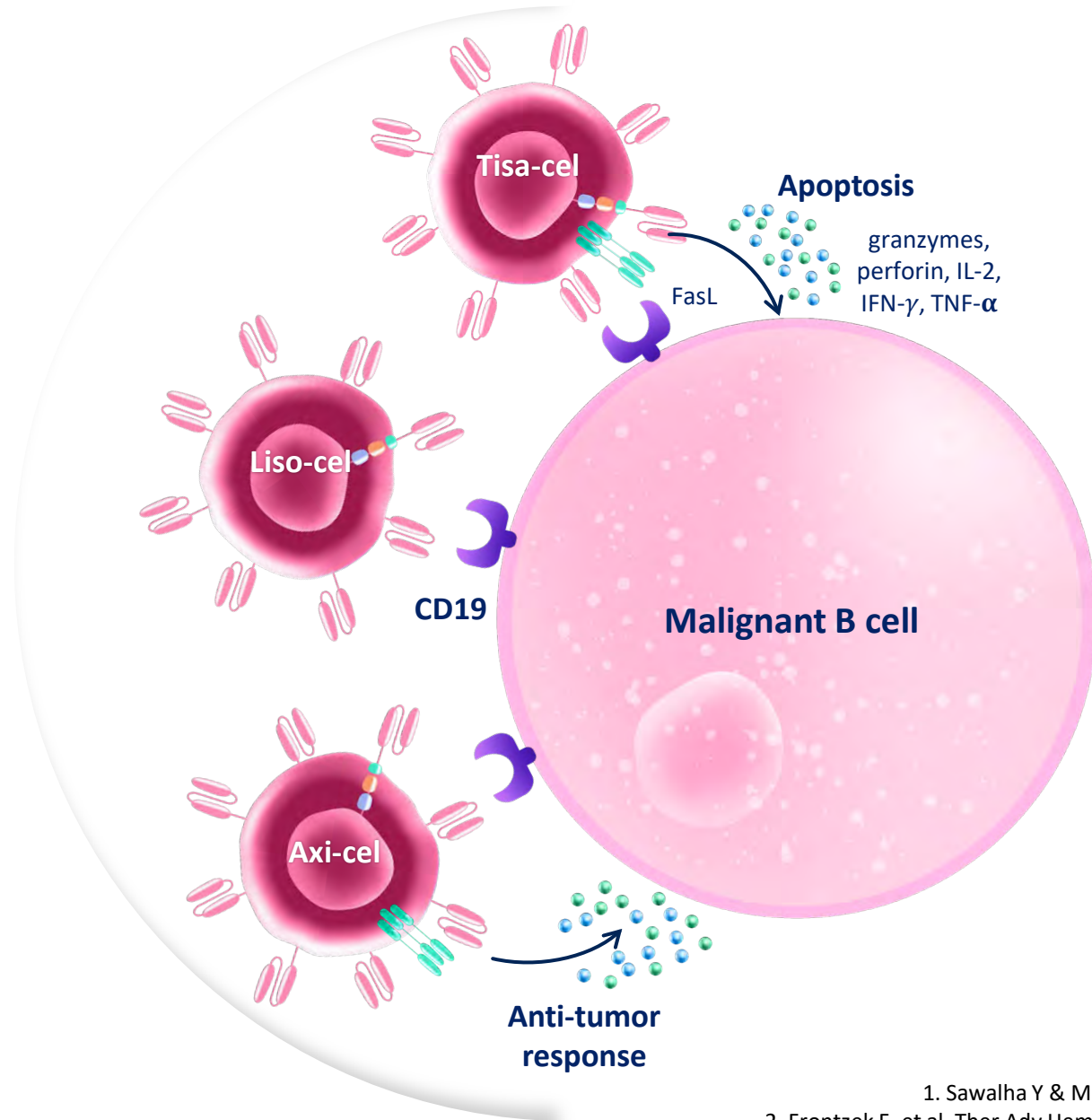


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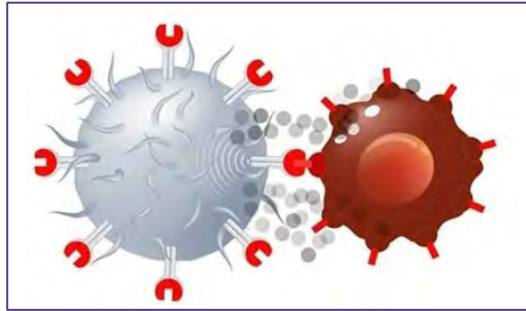
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# CAR-Ts target CD19 in DLBCL

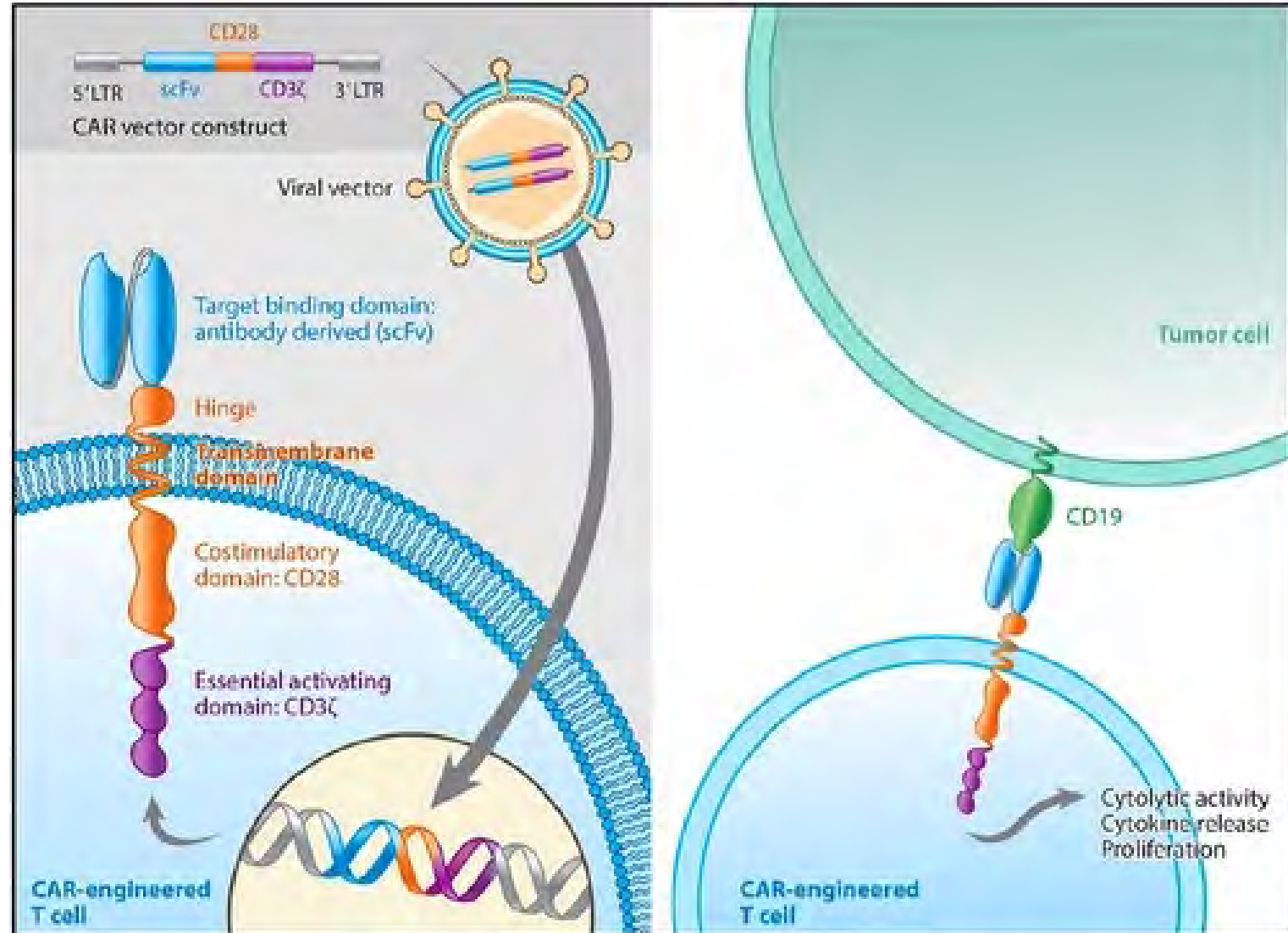


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2. Frontzek F, et al. Ther Adv Hematol. 2022;13:20406207221103321;
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# Approved CD19-directed CAR T cells in DLBCL\*

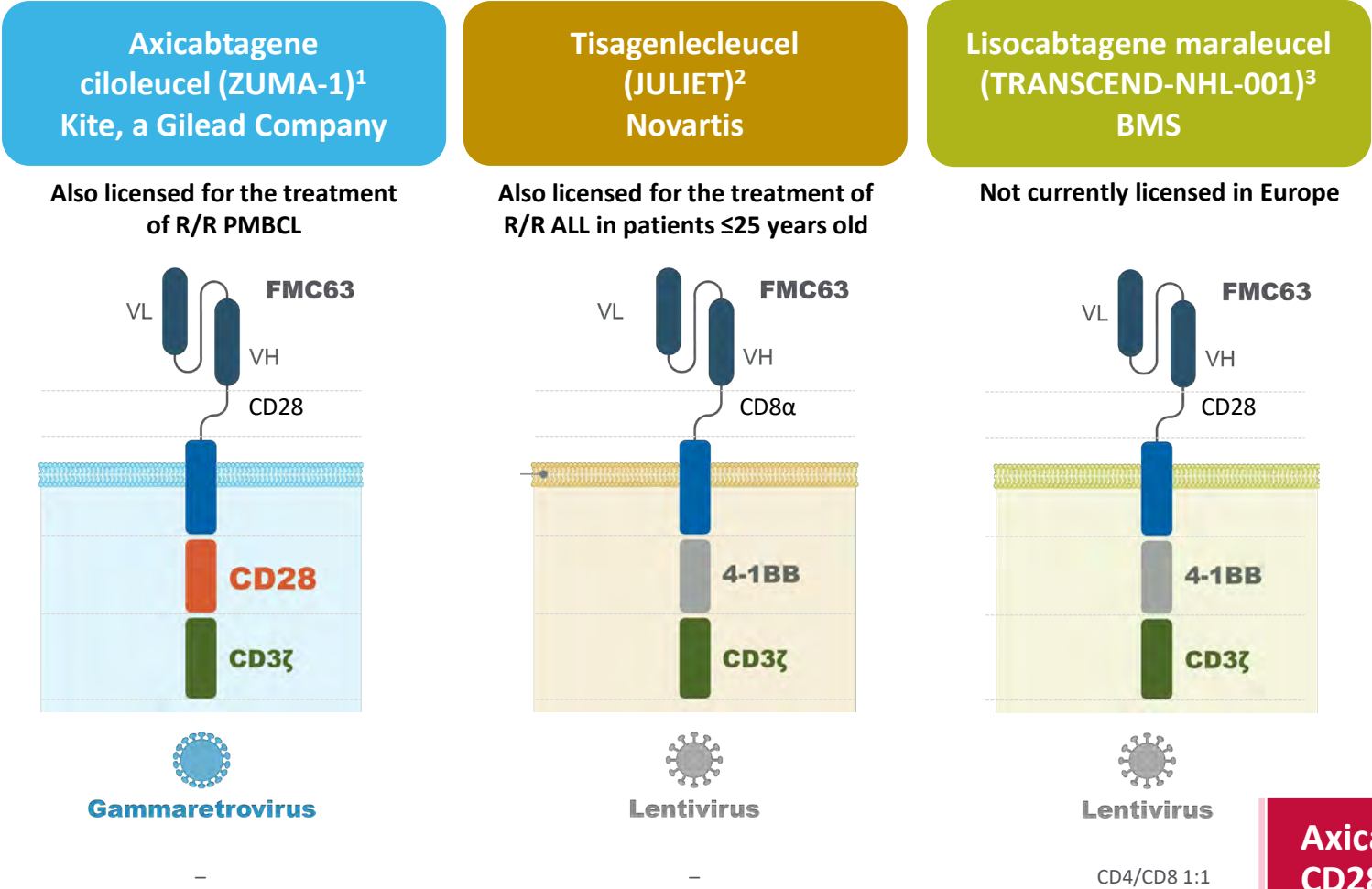


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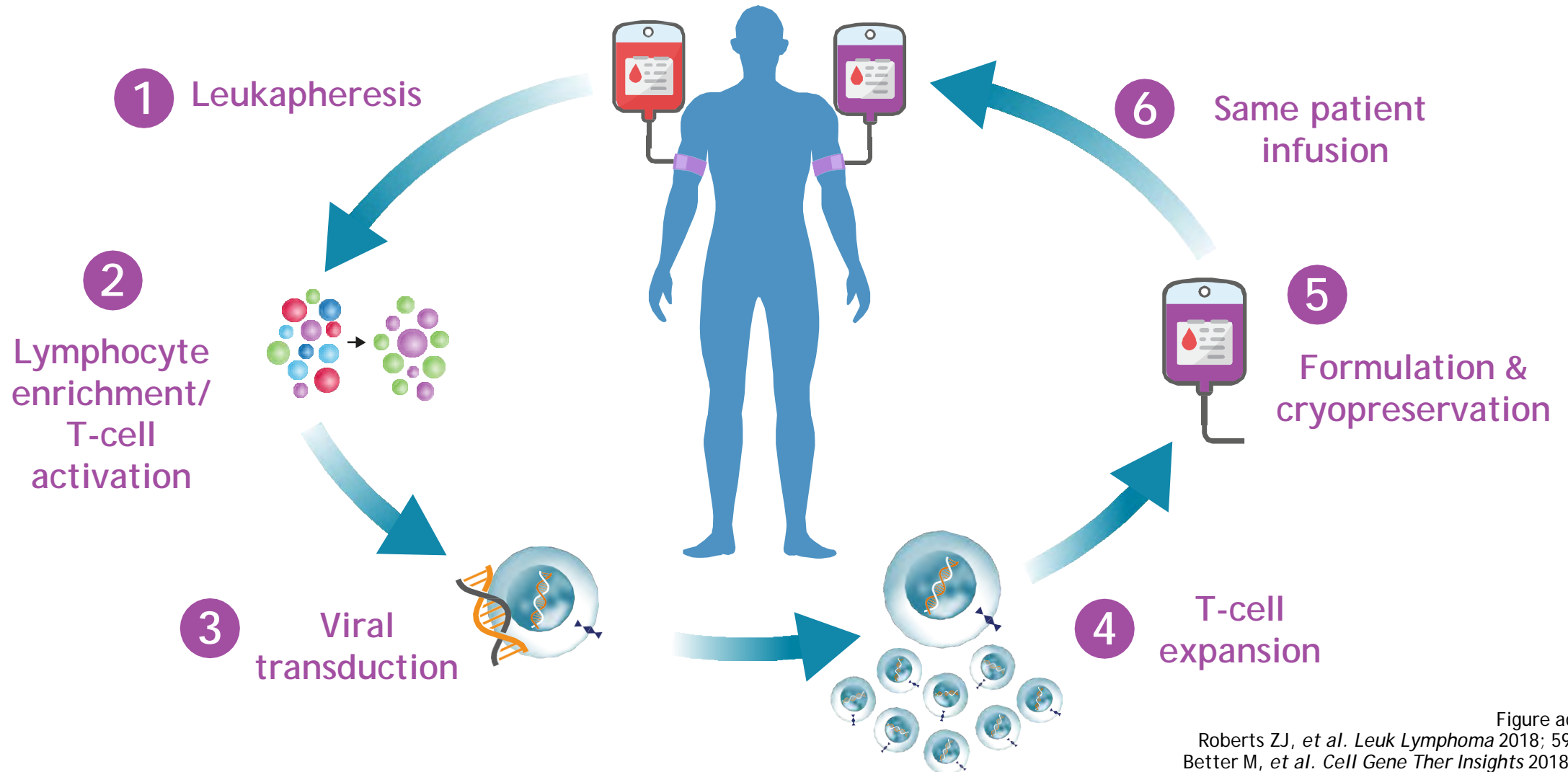
# CAR T-cell therapy for of R/R DLBCL?



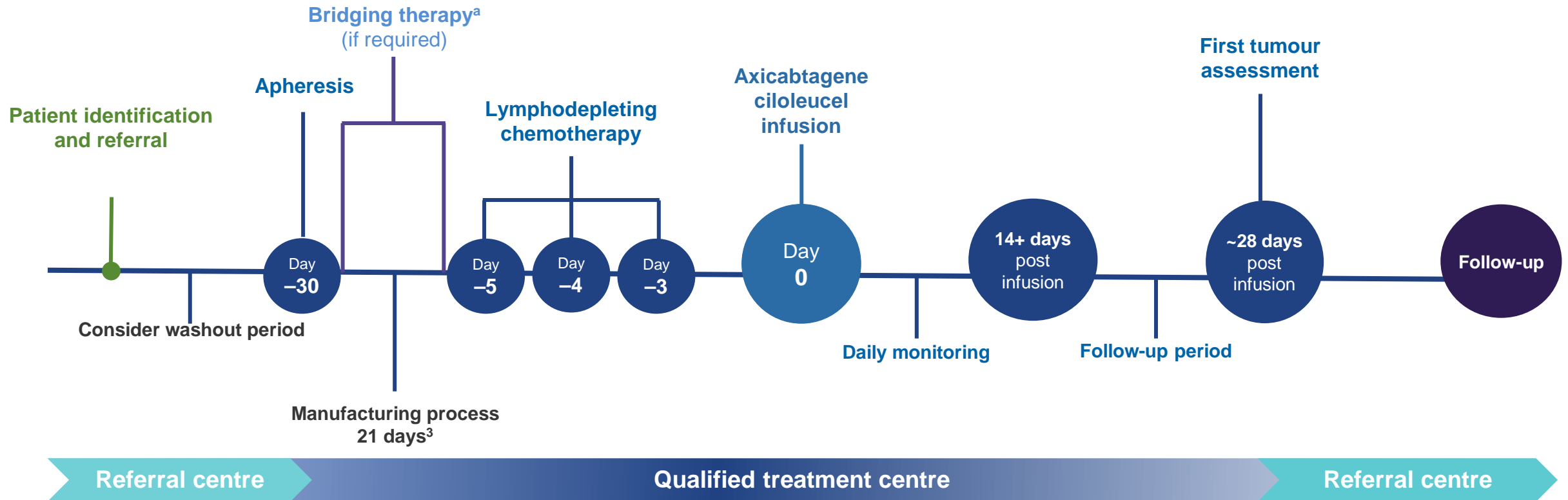
**Axicabtagene ciloleucel has a CD28 costimulatory domain compared with 4-1BB for other CAR T-cell products**

ALL: acute lymphoblastic leukaemia; PMBCL: primary mediastinal B-cell lymphoma  
 Adapted from van der Stegen SJ, *et al. Nat Rev Drug Discov* 2015; 14:499-509. Scarfò I & Maus M. *J Immunother Cancer* 2017; 5:28.  
 1. Axicabtagene ciloleucel CHMP assessment report (Jun 2018; available at [www.ema.europa.eu](http://www.ema.europa.eu)).  
 2. Tisagenlecleucel CHMP assessment report (Jun 2018; available at [www.ema.europa.eu](http://www.ema.europa.eu)). 3. Abramson JS, *et al. Lancet* 2020; 396:839-852 (incl. suppl.)

# Autologous CAR T: *Reprogramming immune cells to generate a living drug*



# Ask for the therapy that is one and done



<sup>a</sup> Bridging therapy was not permitted in ZUMA-1

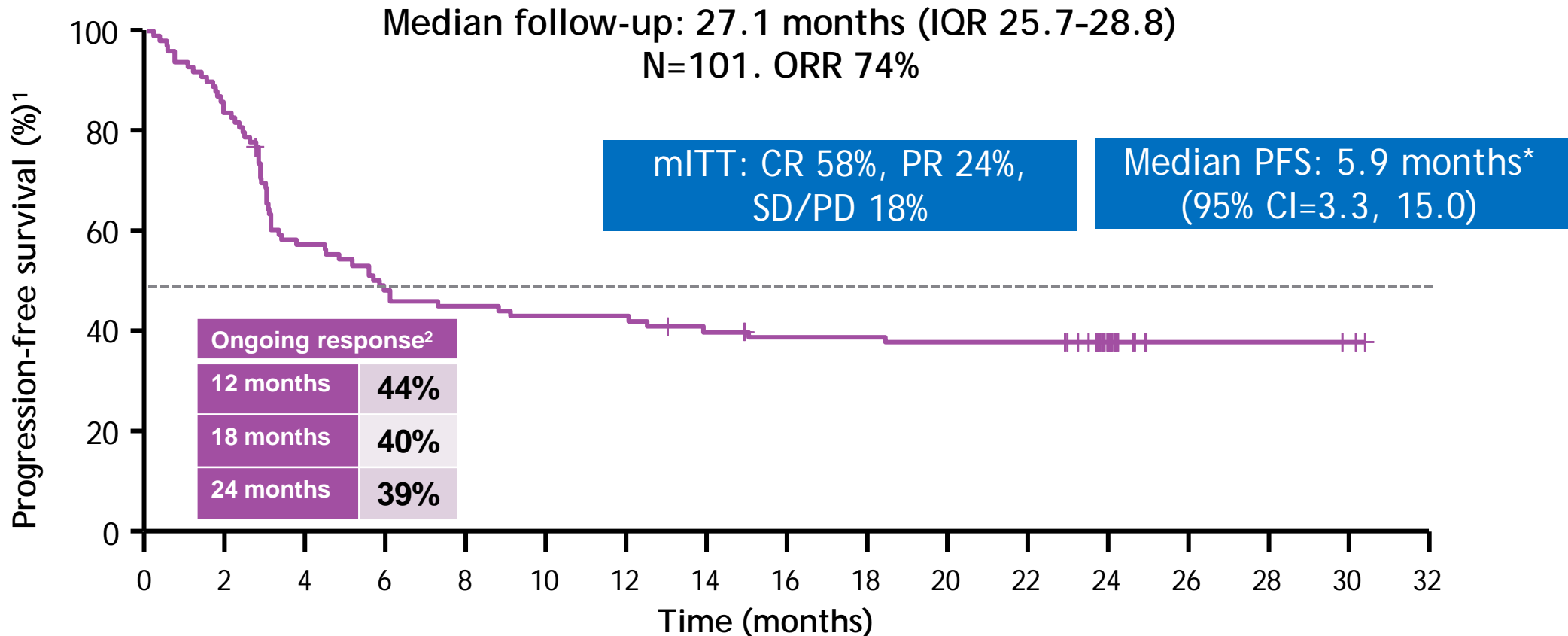
CAR: chimeric antigen receptor

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# ZUMA-1: Durable responses shown with longest follow-up of any registrational study of CAR T therapy in lymphoma patients

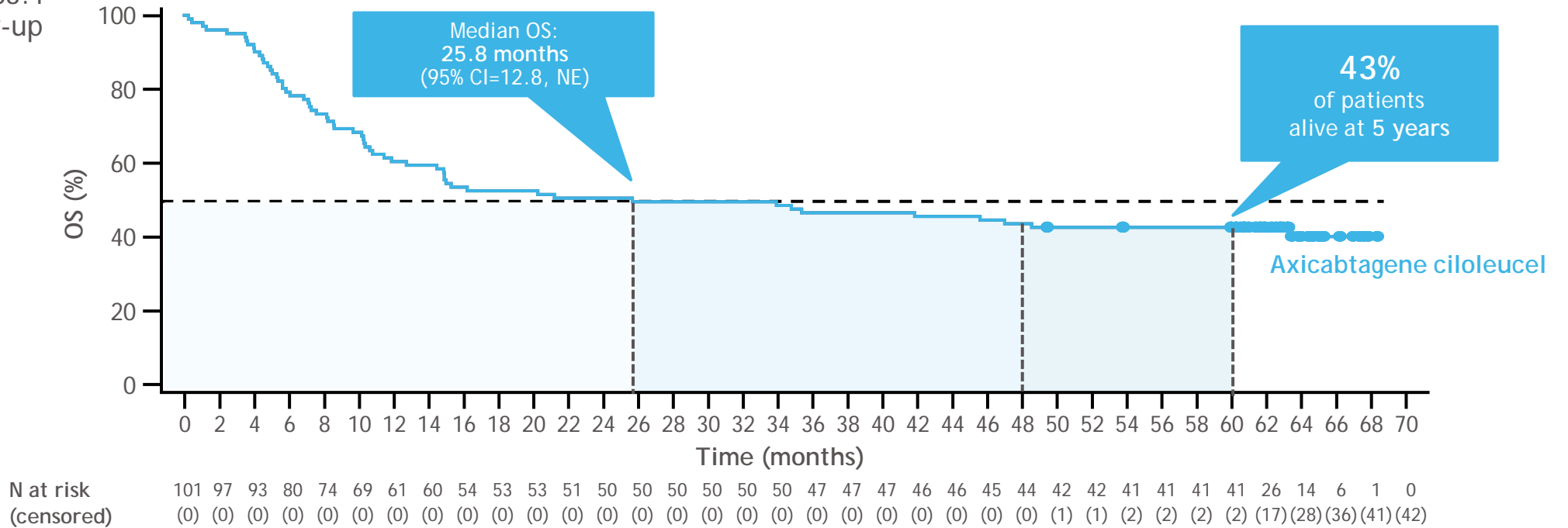


**AN ESTIMATED 72% OF PATIENTS WERE PROGRESSION-FREE AT 24 MONTHS AMONG THOSE WITH A CR AT 3 MONTHS, AND AN ESTIMATED 75% AMONG THOSE WITH A PR AT 3 MONTHS<sup>1</sup> MEDIAN DURATION OF RESPONSE FOR COMPLETE RESPONDERS WAS NOT REACHED<sup>1</sup>**

# With long-term follow-up, how has axicabtagene ciloleucel: 43% of patients alive at 5 years

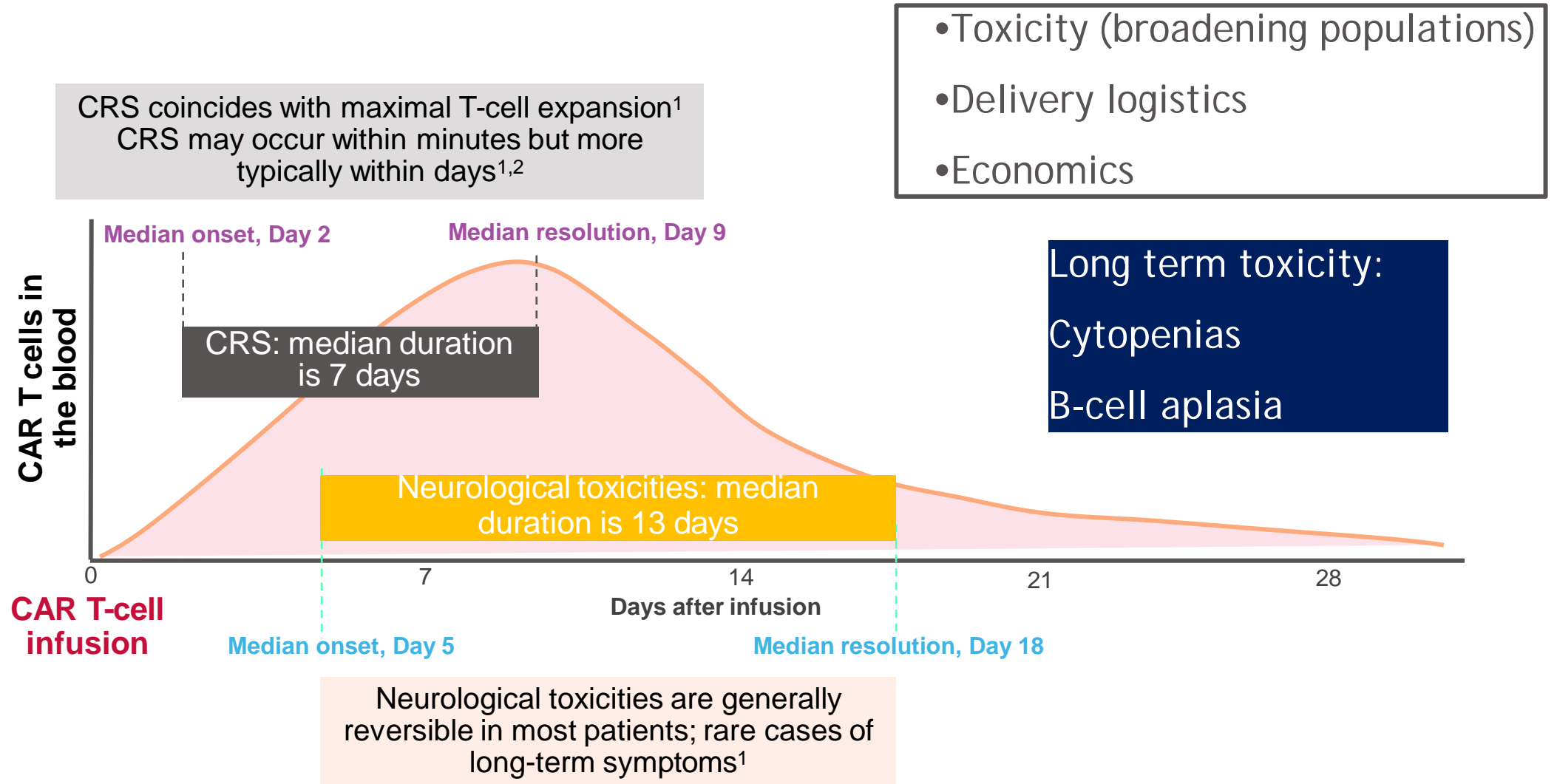
## ZUMA-1:

OS at median 63.1 months' follow-up (N=101)<sup>1</sup>

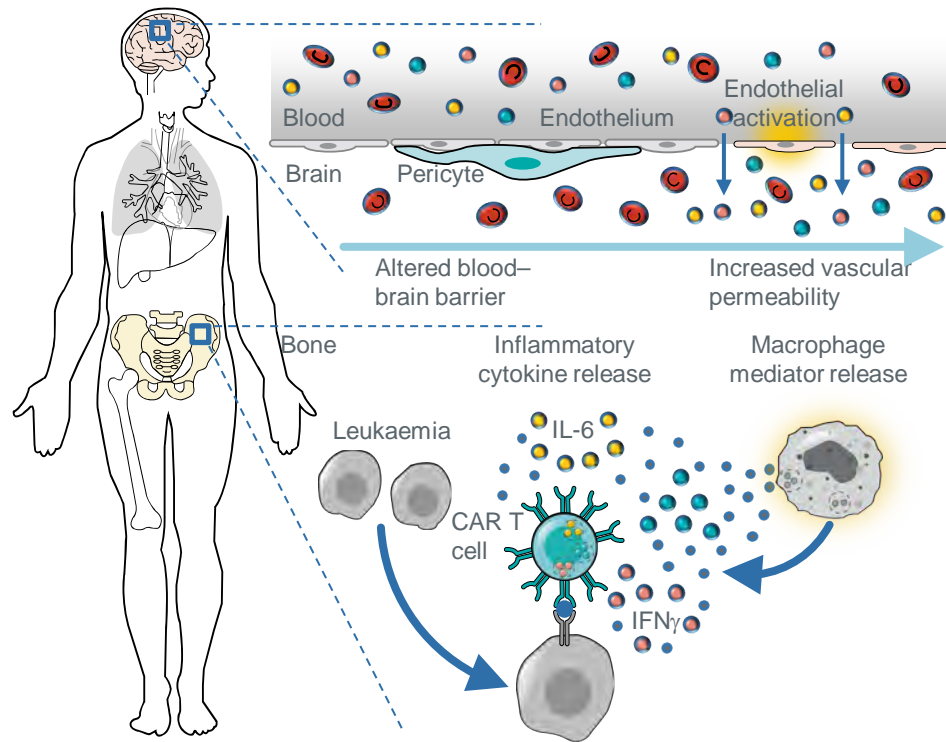


1. Jacobson C, et al. ASH 2021 (Abstract 1764; poster).

# Clinical trials have established the timing and duration of acute adverse events



# CAR T therapy is associated with a safety profile that requires informed management



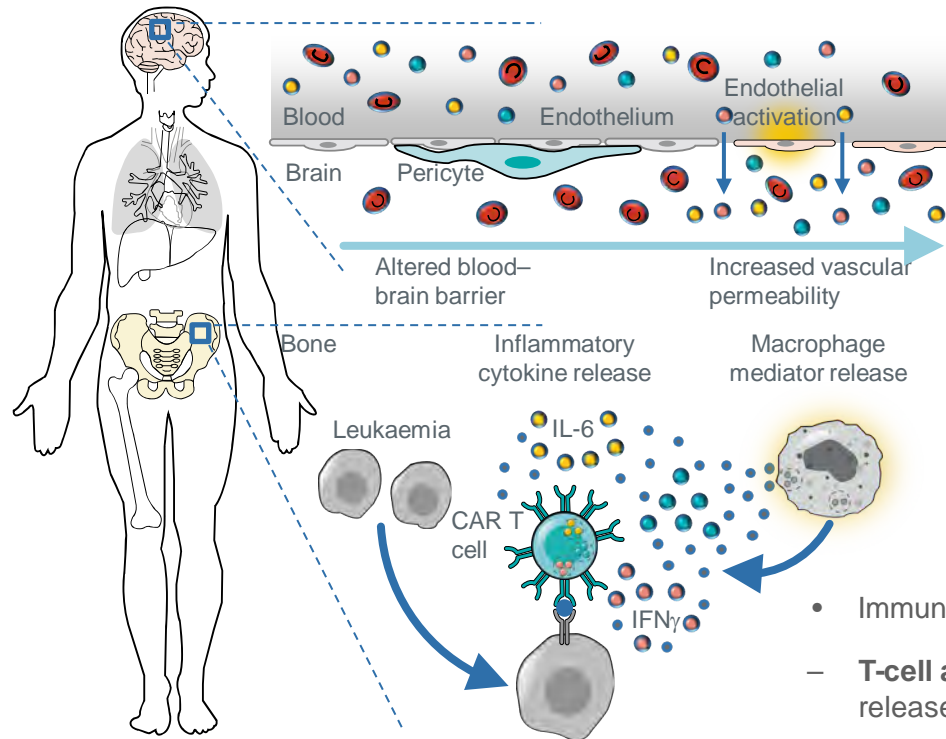
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2. Neurological events

IFN: interferon

Figure adapted from June CH, *et al. Science* 2018; 359:1361–1365.

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## 1. Cytokine release syndrome

- Pyrexia
- Hypotension
- Arrhythmia
- Capillary leak syndrome
- Coagulopathy
- HLH/MAS

## 2. Neurological events

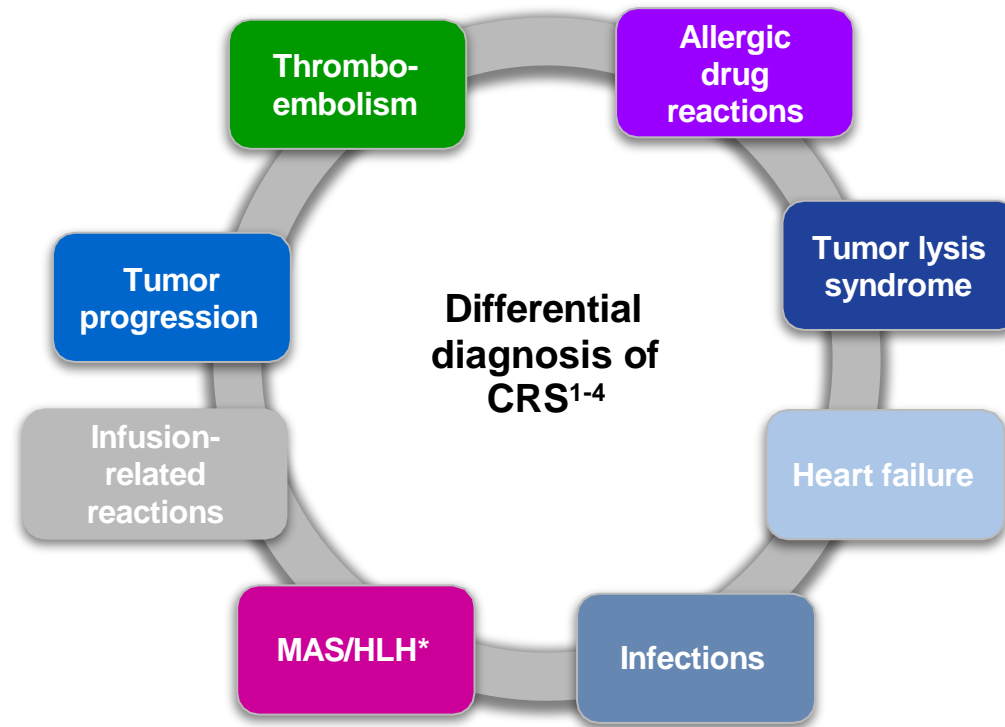
- Immunotherapy triggers CRS via<sup>1</sup>
- **T-cell activation** with subsequent cytokine release (mainly IL-6, IFN- $\gamma$  and TNF- $\alpha$ )
- **Target cell lysis** with subsequent cytokine release

- These cytokines trigger a chain reaction that involves the activation of innate immune cells, such as macrophages and endothelial cells, which results in the release of additional cytokines
- Activated endothelial cells release stored Ang2 and VWF, while macrophages trigger the production of NO, which promotes vasodilation and hypotension
- Additional and uncontrolled immune cell recruitment and activation then occurs, resulting in the release of further cytokines



# Differential diagnosis of CRS can be challenging

- As patients with CRS present with a wide range of signs and symptoms, accurate diagnosis can be challenging<sup>1</sup>
- Neurologic AEs, such as headaches, confusion, dysphasia and ataxia, can occur alongside CRS in the context of T-cell targeted immunotherapy<sup>2,3</sup>



- Recognizing whether symptoms are related to CRS or another condition is key to optimal management

\*Familial or secondary MAS/HLH

1. Shimabukuro-Vornhagen A, et al. J Immunother Cancer 2018;6:56; 2. Chavez JC, et al. Hematol Oncol Stem Cell Ther 2020;13:1-6  
3. Brudno N, and Kochenderfer JN. Blood 2016;127:3321-30; 4. Doessegger L & Banholzer ML. Clin Transl Immunol 2015;4:e39

# Management interventions determine the grade of CRS

(ASTCT criteria; Lee et al. 2019)<sup>1</sup>

CRS parameter	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
<b>Fever*</b>	Temperature $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$	Temperature $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$	Temperature $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$	Temperature $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$
			<b>With</b>	
<b>Hypotension</b>	None	Does not require a vasopressor	Requires a vasopressor with or without vasopressin	Requires multiple vasopressors (excluding vasopressin)
			<b>And/or†</b>	
<b>Hypoxia</b>	None	Requires low-flow cannula‡ or blow-by	Requires high-flow nasal cannula,‡ facemask, nonrebreather mask, or Venturi mask	Requires positive pressure (e.g. CPAP, BiPAP, intubation and mechanical ventilation)

\*Defined as temperature  $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$  not attributable to any other cause. In patients who receive antipyretic or anticytokine therapy, fever is no longer required to grade subsequent CRS severity and CRS grading is driven by hypotension and/or hypoxia.

†CRS grade is determined by the most severe event; hypoxia or hypotension not attributable to any other cause.

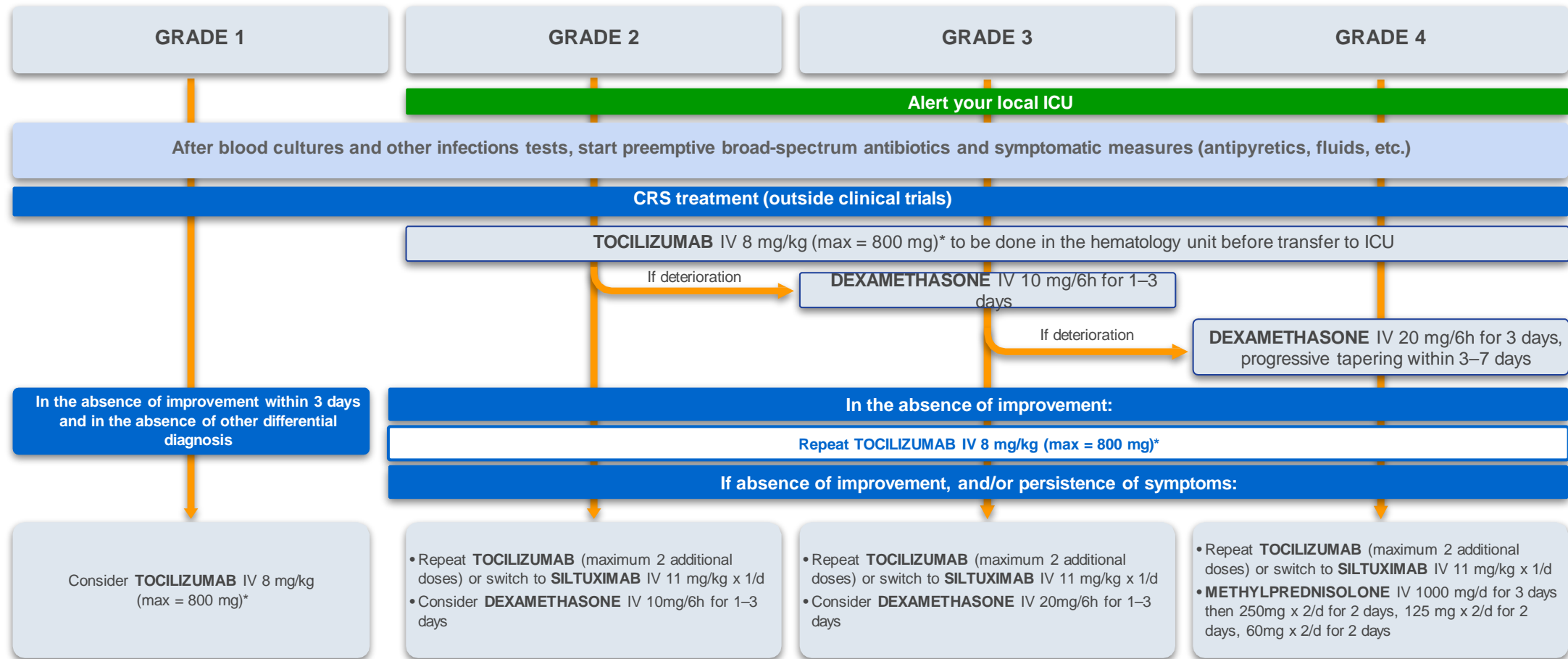
‡Low -flow nasal cannula is defined as oxygen delivered at  $\leq 6\text{L/minute}$ ; high-flow is defined as oxygen delivered at  $>6\text{L/minute}$ .

**Note:** differences versus Lee et al. 2014<sup>2</sup> criteria include the removal of single (low dose) vasopressor for hypotension from the Grade 2 criteria, and the removal of organ toxicity from the criteria

1. Lee DW, et al. Biol Blood Marrow Transplant 2019;25:625–38

2. Lee DW, et al. Blood 2014;124:188–95

# Treatment algorithms can guide management of CRS



\*In children less than 30 kg, **TOCILIZUMAB** is given at the dose of 12 mg/kg.

Yakoub-Agha I, et al. Haematologica 2020;105:297–316

**Note: consult the SmPC for any drug-specific recommendations**

# CRS does not correlate with outcome

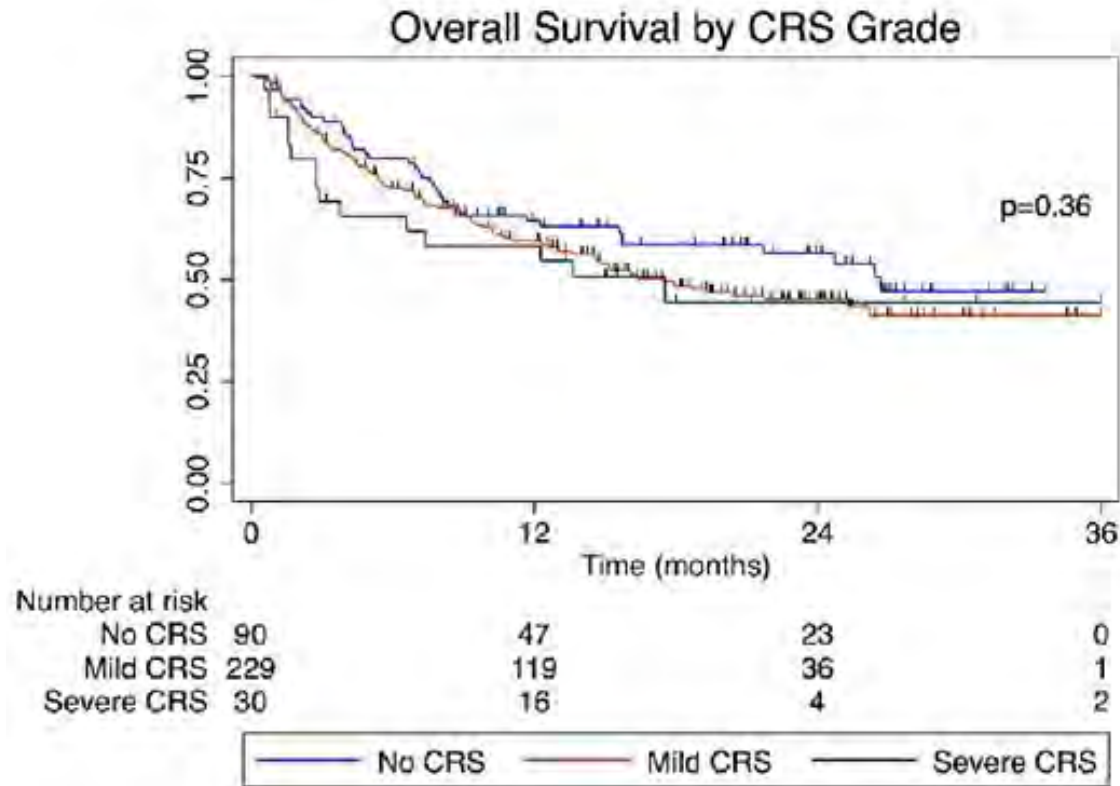
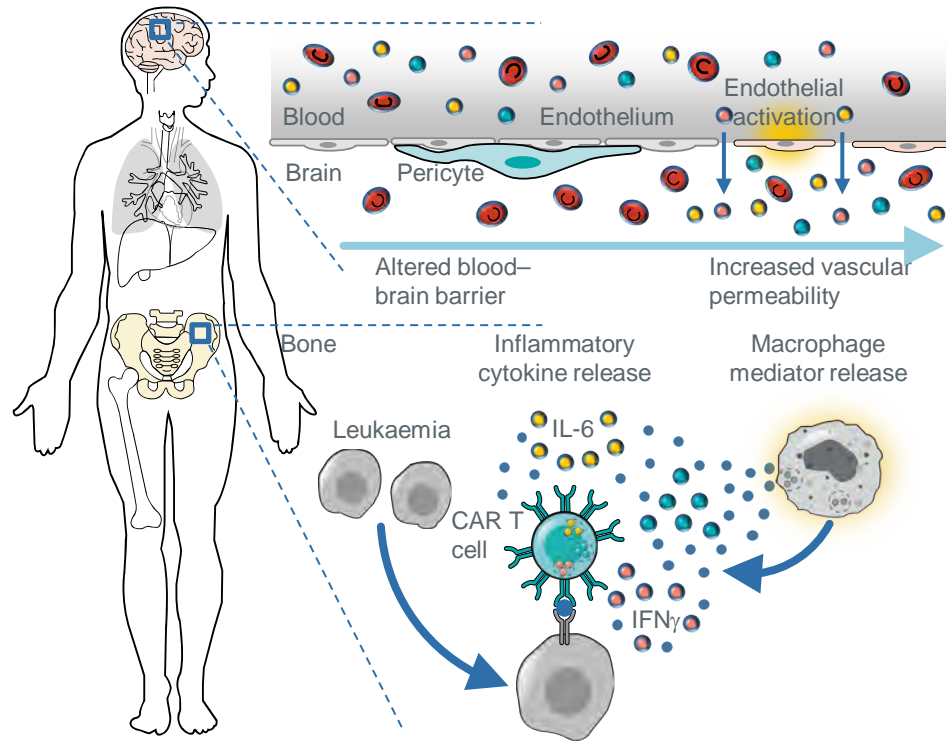


Table 1. Multivariate Cox Regression Analysis

Effect	P-value	HR	95% CI
<b>OS</b>			
Developed CRS	0.549	0.87	0.54-1.39
Peak ferritin >5000	<0.001	2.38	1.50-3.76
LDH >ULN	<0.001	2.34	1.55-3.53
Stage 3-4	0.336	1.24	0.80-1.93
Bulky disease	0.005	1.81	1.20-2.75
Refractory to most recent chemo vs. Primary refractory	0.552	0.89	0.59-1.32
Relapsed vs. Primary refractory	0.173	0.72	0.44-1.16
Received steroids	0.775	1.06	0.73-1.53
Bridging therapy	0.3	1.23	0.83-1.84
<b>PFS</b>			
Developed CRS	0.239	0.79	0.53-1.17
Peak ferritin >5000	<0.001	2.61	1.71-3.98
LDH >ULN	<0.001	2.11	1.49-2.98
Stage 3-4	0.333	1.21	0.82-1.80
Bulky disease	0.219	1.27	0.87-1.87
Refractory to most recent chemo vs. Primary refractory	0.427	0.86	0.60-1.24
Relapsed vs. Primary refractory	0.085	0.7	0.47-1.05
Received steroids	0.74	0.73	0.52-1.03
Bridging therapy	0.011	1.58	1.11-2.24

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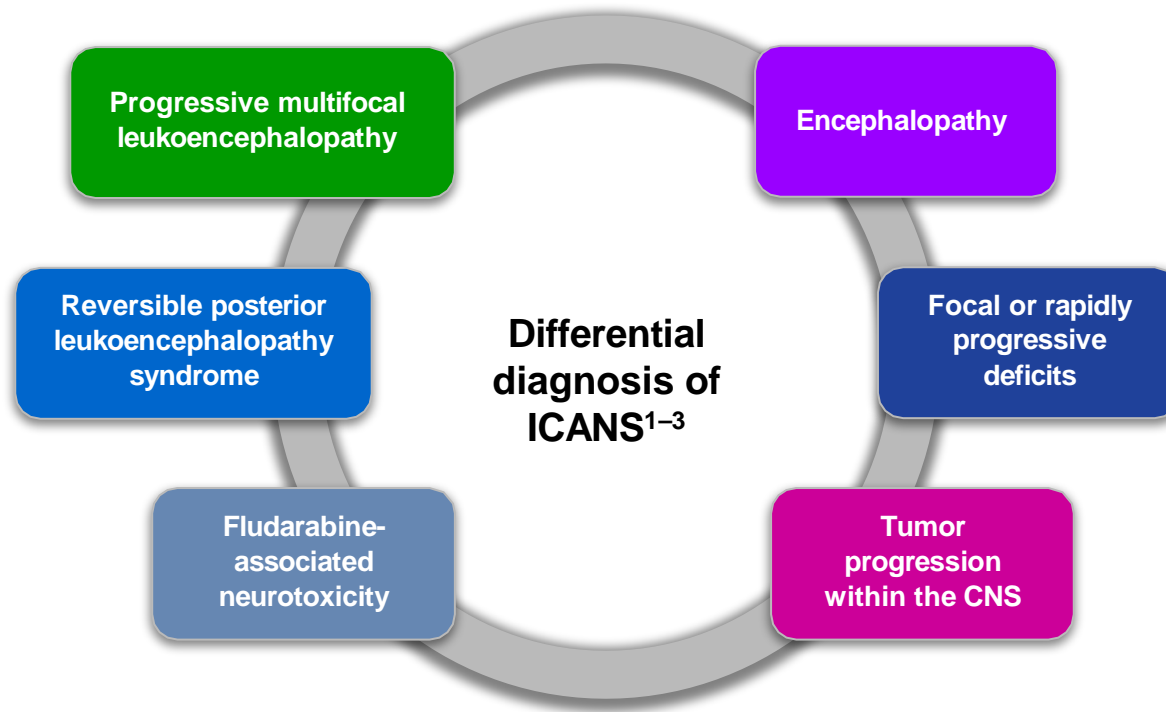
## 1. Cytokine release syndrome

## 2. Neurological events

- Headache
- Confusion
- Hallucinations
- Delirium
- Aphasia
- Paresis
- Seizures
- Cerebral oedema
- Intracranial haemorrhage



# Diagnosis of ICANS



1. Lowe KL, et al. Gene Ther 2018;25:176
2. Anderson RC, et al. Front Neurol 2020; 11:463
3. Neil EC, et al. Blood Adv 2017;1:2041

# ICANS severity is graded using ASTCT criteria (Lee et al. 2019)

Neurotoxicity domain	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
<b>ICE score*</b>	7–9	3–6	0–2	0 (patient is unrousable and unable to perform ICE)
<b>Depressed level of consciousness†</b>	Awakens spontaneously	Awakens to voice	Awakens only to tactile stimulus	Patient is unrousable and requires vigorous or repetitive tactile stimuli to arouse. Stupor or coma
<b>Seizure</b>	N/A	N/A	Any clinical seizure focal or generalized that resolves rapidly or inconclusive seizures on EEG that resolve without intervention	Life-threatening prolonged seizure (>5 min); or repetitive clinical or electrical seizure without return to baseline in between
<b>Motor findings‡</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	Deep focal motor weakness such as hemiparesis or paraparesis
<b>Elevated ICP / cerebral oedema</b>	N/A	N/A	Focal/local oedema on neuroimaging§	Diffuse cerebral oedema on neuroimaging; decerebrate or decorticate posturing; or cranial nerve IV palsy; or papilloedema; or Cushing's triad

\*A patient with an ICE score of 0 may be classified as grade 3 ICANS if awake with global aphasia or grade 4 ICANS if unrousable

†Depressed level of consciousness should be attributable to no other cause

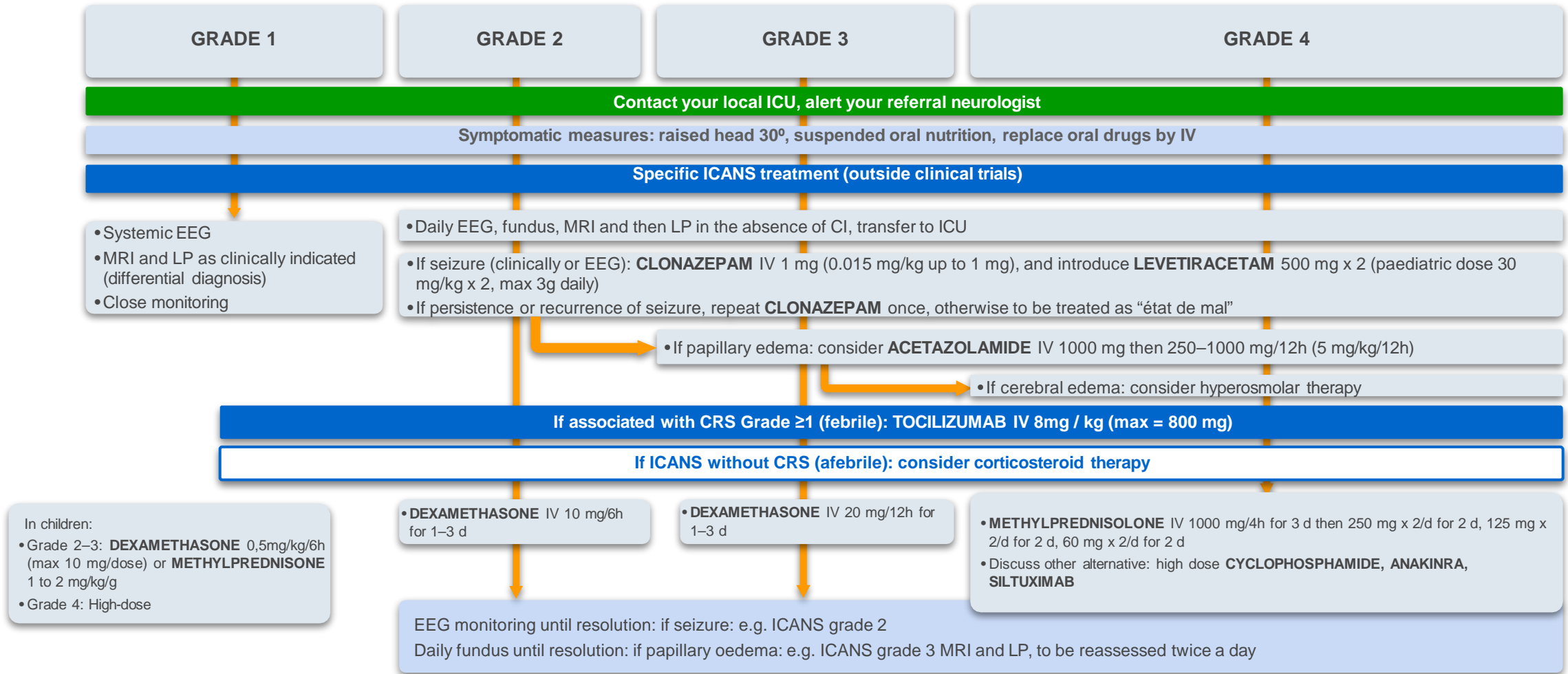
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# Treatment algorithms can guide management of ICANS



**Note: consult the SmPC for any drug-specific recommendations**

# Toxicity of axicabtagene ciloleucel in r/r DLBCL

Axicabtagene ciloleucel	
Construct	Anti-CD19-CD28-CD3z
Patients, n	101
Any CRS, %	93
Median time to onset, days	2
Grade $\geq$ 3 CRS, % <sup>a</sup>	13
Any neurological toxicity, %	64
Grade $\geq$ 3 neurological toxicity, %	28
Tocilizumab, %	43
Steroid use, %	27

<sup>a</sup> CRS toxicity grading scales differ across studies. Axicabtagene ciloleucel used Lee criteria.

CRS, cytokine release syndrome.

Locke FL, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2019;20:31-42. Neelapu SS, et al. N Engl J Med. 2017;377:2531-44.

# JULIET: response, PFS, and OS of patients with r/r DLBCL receiving tisagenlecleucel

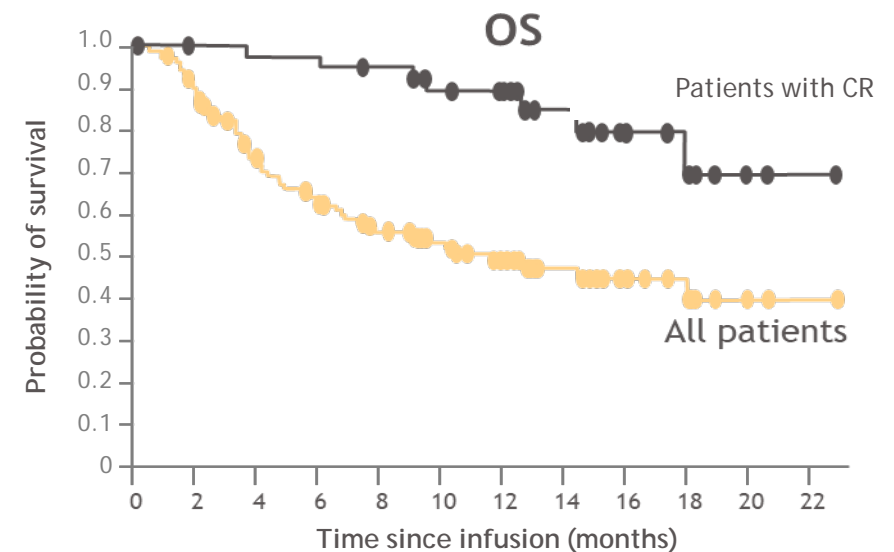
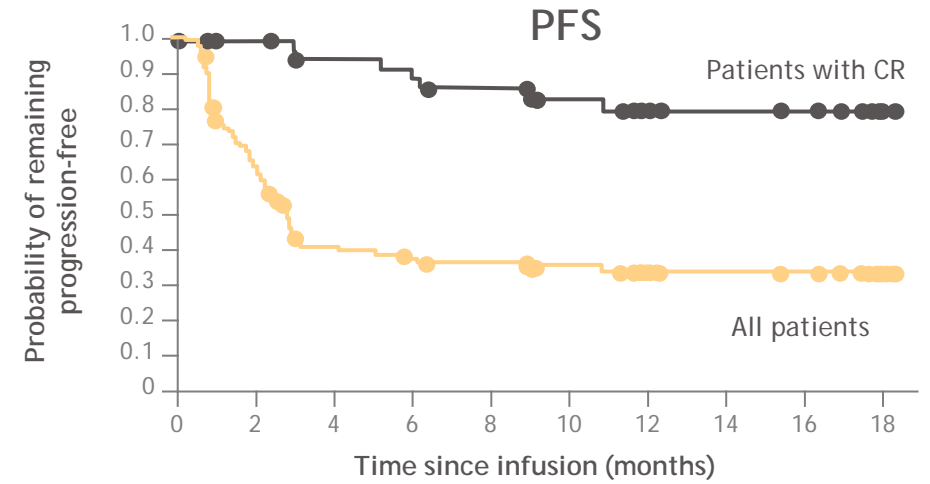
Characteristics	Patients (N = 111)
Median age, years (range)	56 (22-76)
Double-/triple-hit lymphoma, %	27
Number of prior lines of therapy, %	
2	44
3	31
4-6	21
Refractory to last therapy, %	55
Prior ASCT, %	49

Investigator-assessed response <sup>a</sup>	Patients (n = 93)
ORR, n (%)	48 (52)
CR, n (%)	37 (40)
Median DOR, months	NE

<sup>a</sup> Included all patients who received tisagenlecleucel infusion ≥ 3 months before data cut-off.

NE, not evaluable

Schuster SJ, et al. N Engl J Med. 2019;380:45-56.



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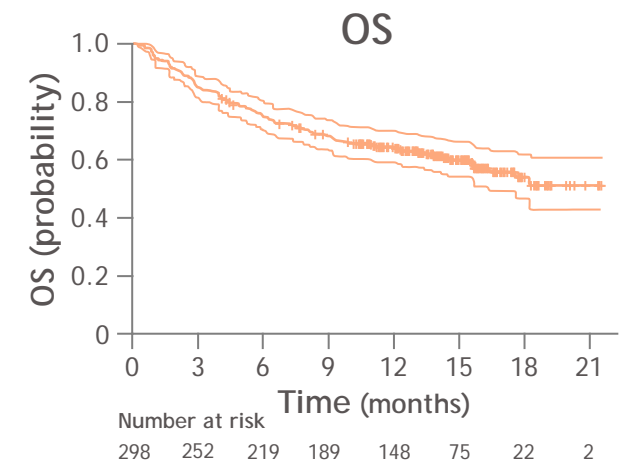
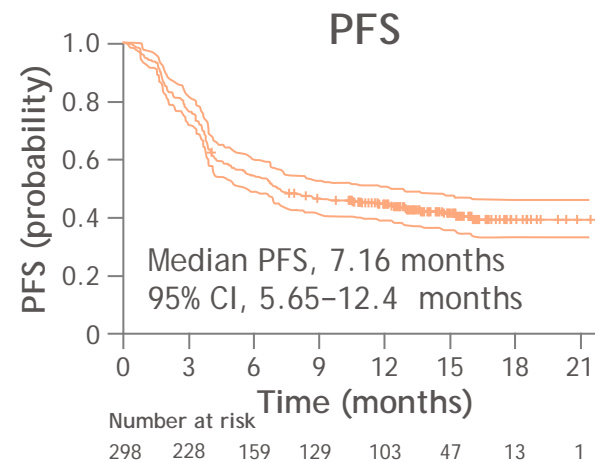
Tisagenlecleucel	
Construct	Anti-CD19-41BB-CD3z
Patients, n	111
Any CRS, %	58
Median time to onset, days	3
Grade $\geq$ 3 CRS, % <sup>a</sup>	22
Any neurological toxicity, %	21
Grade $\geq$ 3 neurological toxicity, %	12
Tocilizumab, %	14
Steroid use, %	10

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# US Lymphoma CAR-T Consortium: real-world analysis of axicabtagene ciloleucel in r/r large B-cell lymphoma

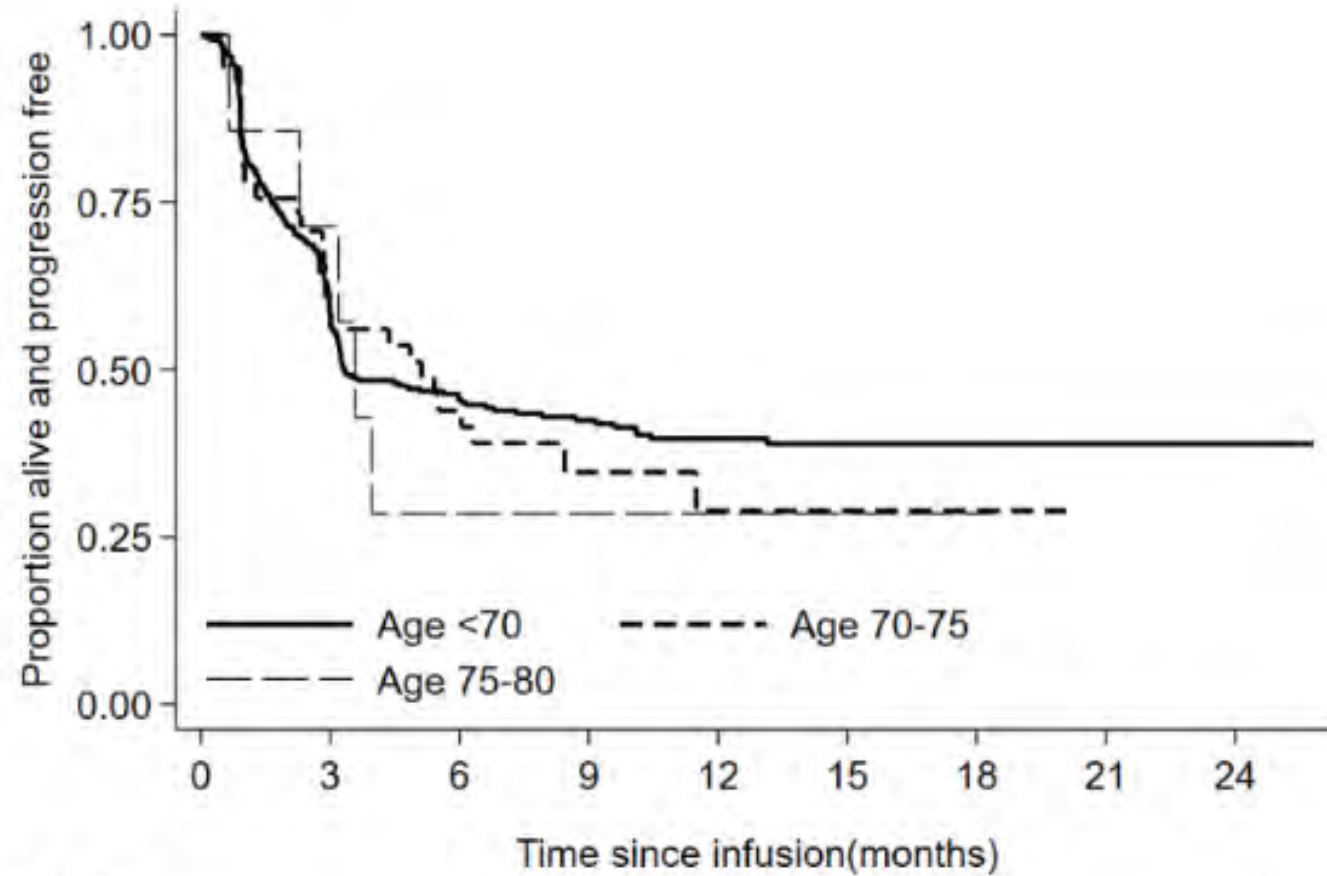
Characteristics	Patients (N = 298)
Age, years, median	
Median (range)	60 (21-83)
≥ 60	154 (51.7)
Disease type	
DLBCL	203 (68.1)
PMBCL	19 (6.4)
TFL	76 (25.5)
LDH > ULN at leukapheresis	157 (60.6)
LDH > ULN at conditioning chemotherapy	155 (59.4)
Bulky disease (≥ 10 cm)	68 (22.7)
Prior therapies	
≥ 3 prior lines of therapy	222 (74.5)
Median no. of prior lines of therapy (range)	3 (2-11)
History of primary refractory disease	101 (33.9)

Outcomes	
ORR, %	82
CR, %	64
DOR, median, months % (95% CI)	NR (6.2-NR)
PFS at 12 months, % (95% CI)	45 (39-51)
OS at 12 months, % (95% CI)	68 (63-74)
Grade ≥ 3 CRS, %	7
Grade ≥ 3 NE, %	31



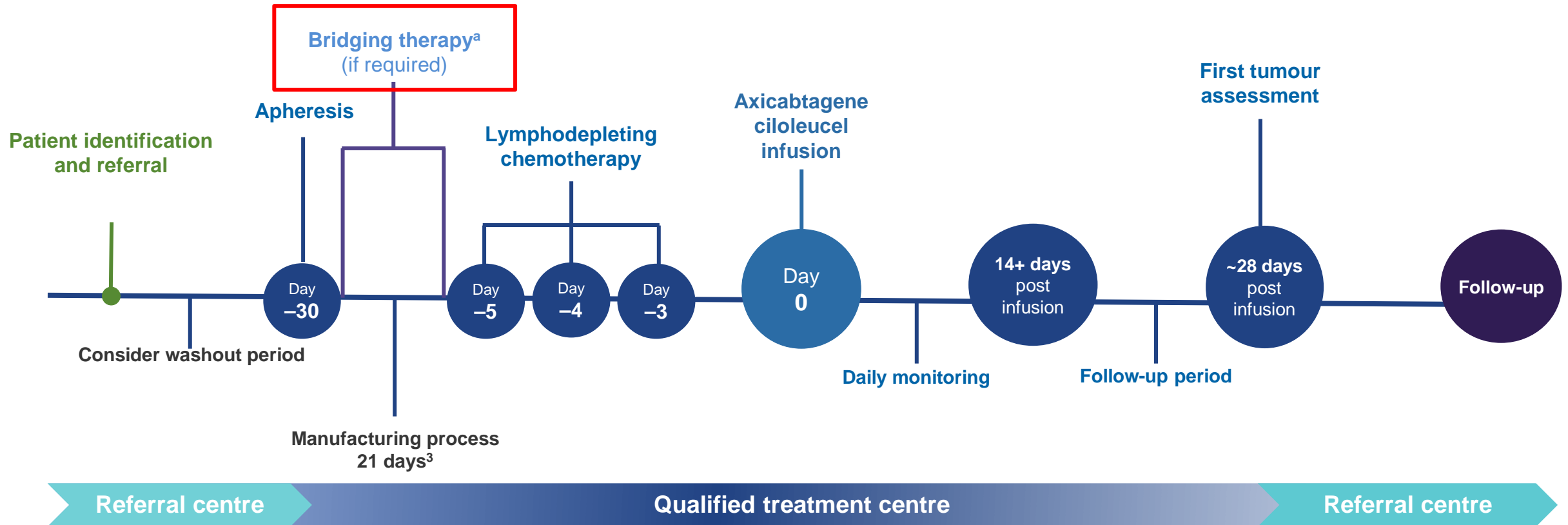
LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; NE, neurological event; No., number.  
TFL, transformed follicular lymphoma; ULN, upper limit of normal.  
Nastoupil LJ, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2020;38:3119-28.

# Older patients: PFS by age group



Number at risk		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
Age <70	252	147	112	82	59	41	31	14	4	
Age 70-75	41	24	18	8	3	2	2	0	0	
Age 75-80	7	5	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	

# Bridging therapy



<sup>a</sup> Bridging therapy was not permitted in ZUMA-1

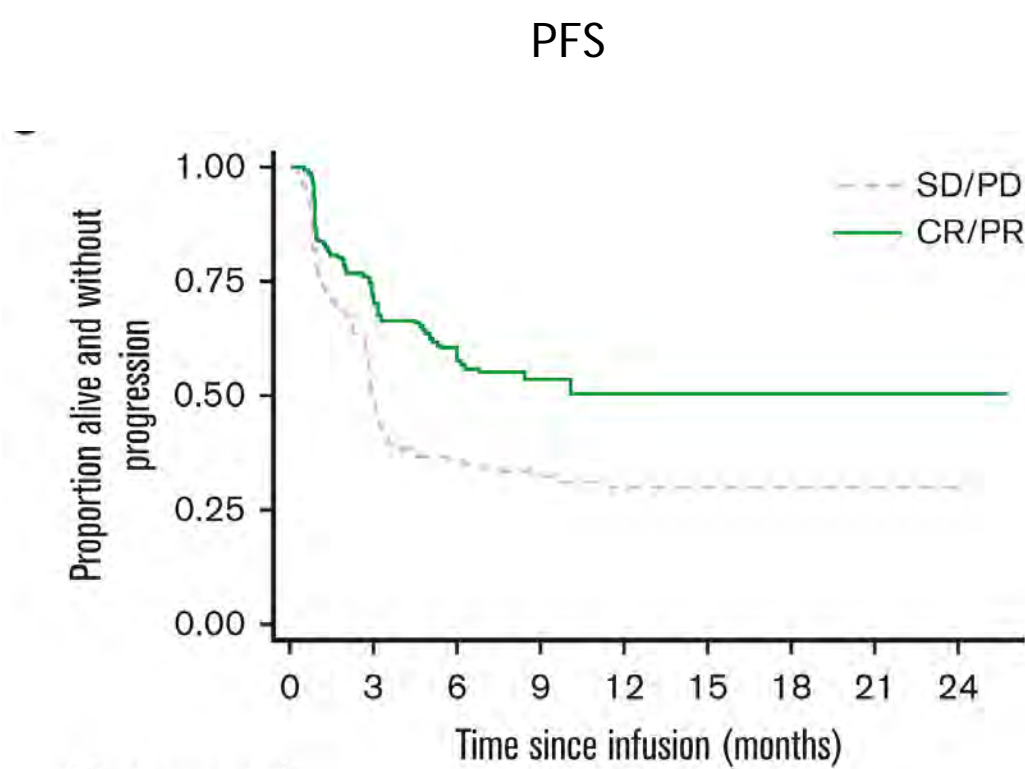
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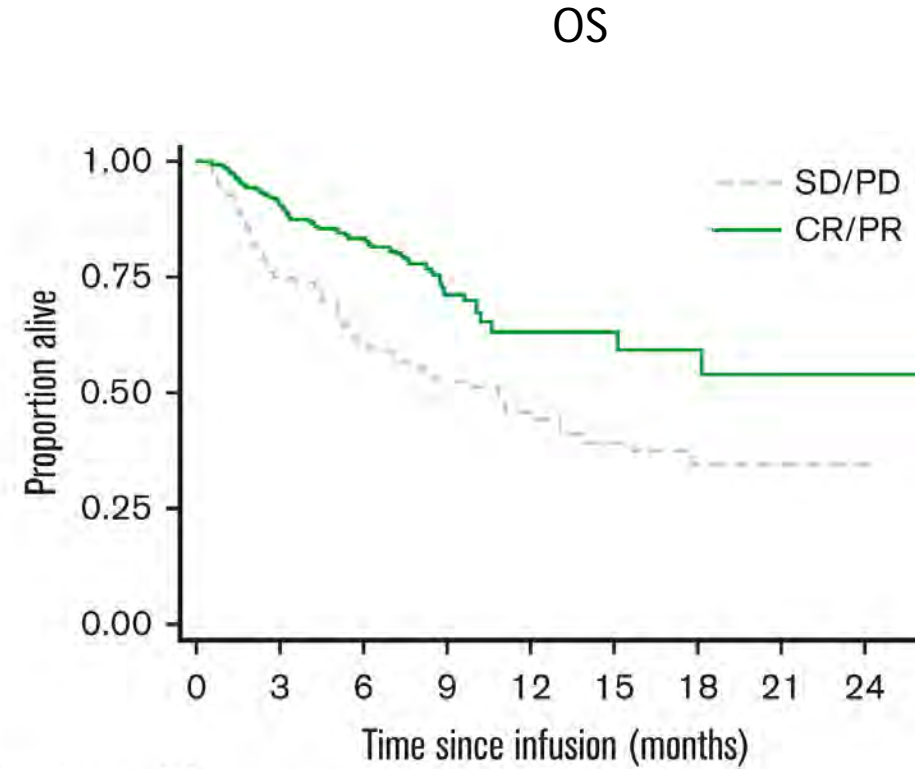
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# Impact of effective bridging strategies: 42% reduction in risk of progression/death



Number at risk

SD/PD	115	58	38	28	19	13	9	2	1
CR/PR	104	74	62	39	24	14	10	3	1



Number at risk

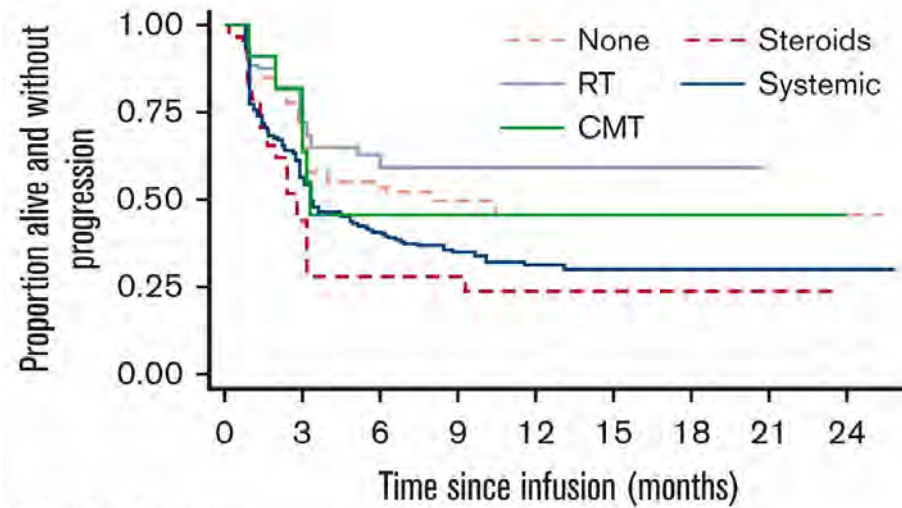
SD/PD	115	86	66	49	31	20	12	4	2
CR/PR	104	94	86	52	30	19	11	3	1

Multivariate analysis likelihood of response to bridging: Response to last line therapy, the absence of bulky disease, and the use of polatuzumab-containing chemotherapy regimens



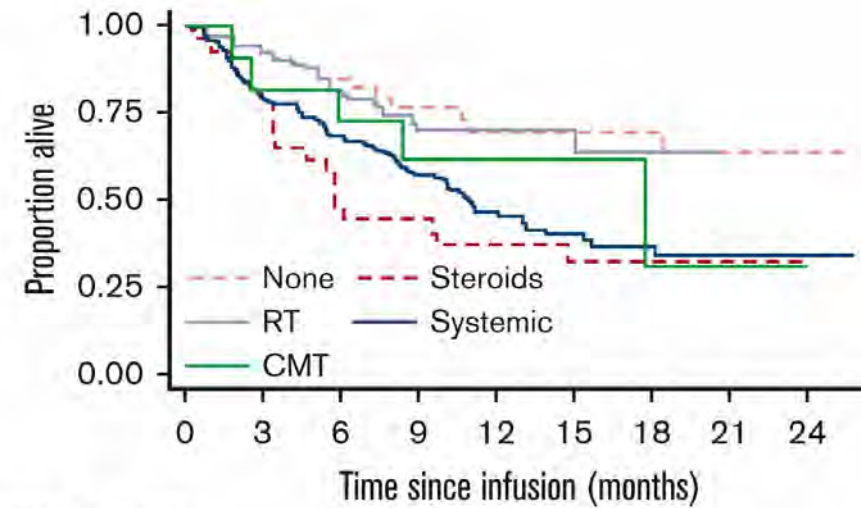
# Impact of mode of bridging therapy

PFS



Number at risk		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
None	40	26	21	14	12	10	9	4	2	
Steroids	29	13	8	7	6	6	6	5	0	
RT	54	39	33	26	14	10	8	0	0	
Systemic	166	90	65	40	27	15	10	4	1	
CMT	11	8	5	4	4	3	1	1	1	

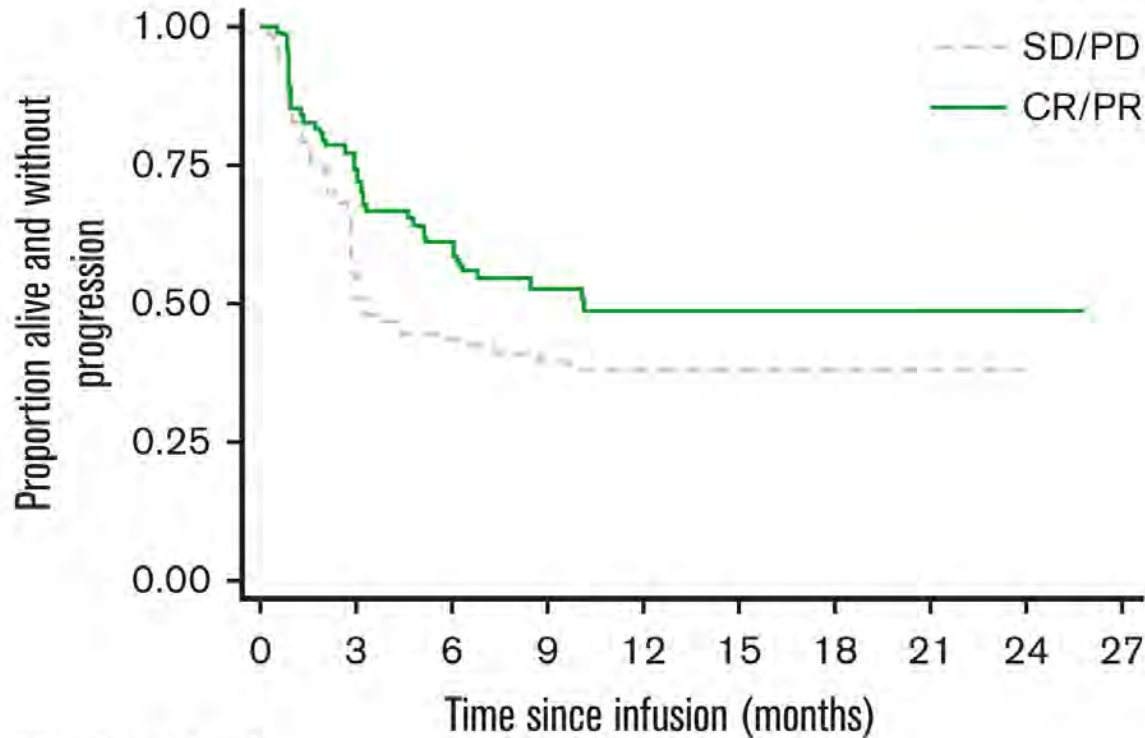
OS



Number at risk		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
None	40	37	34	23	18	15	13	5	3	
Steroids	29	23	14	12	10	7	7	6	0	
RT	54	50	42	30	17	13	8	0	0	
Systemic	166	132	111	71	42	24	14	6	2	
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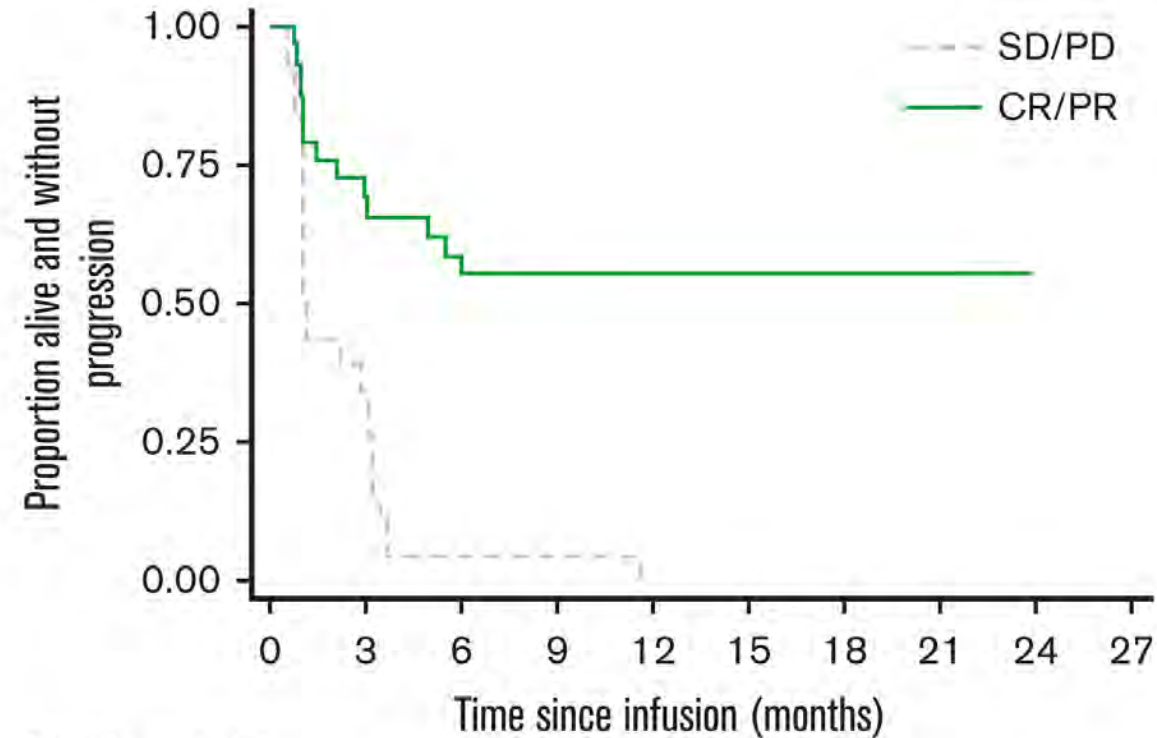
# Impact of response to bridging on Axi-cel vs Tisa-cel outcomes

Axi-cel



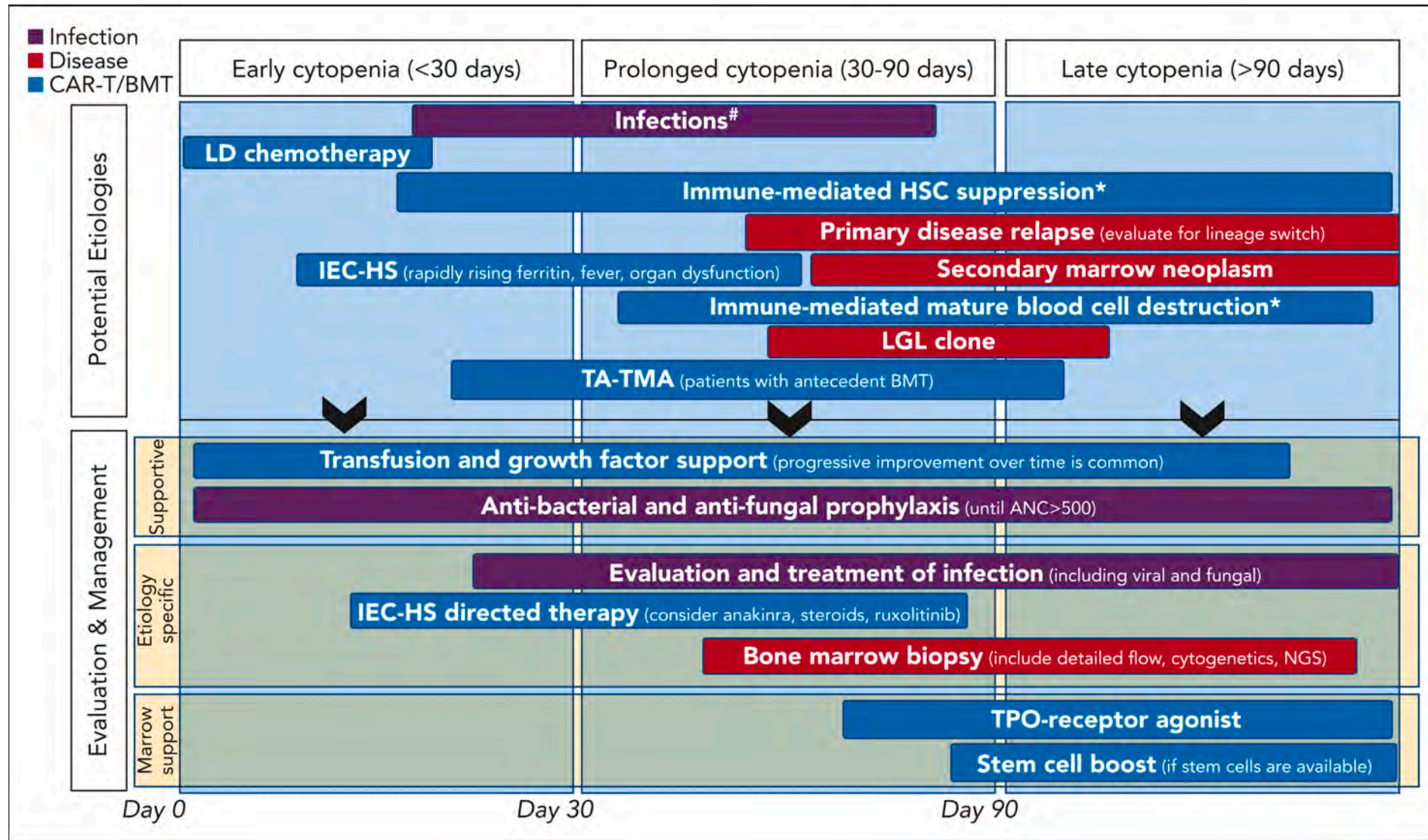
Number at risk		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
SD/PD		92	51	37	27	19	13	9	2	1	0
CR/PR		75	55	46	29	17	9	6	2	1	0

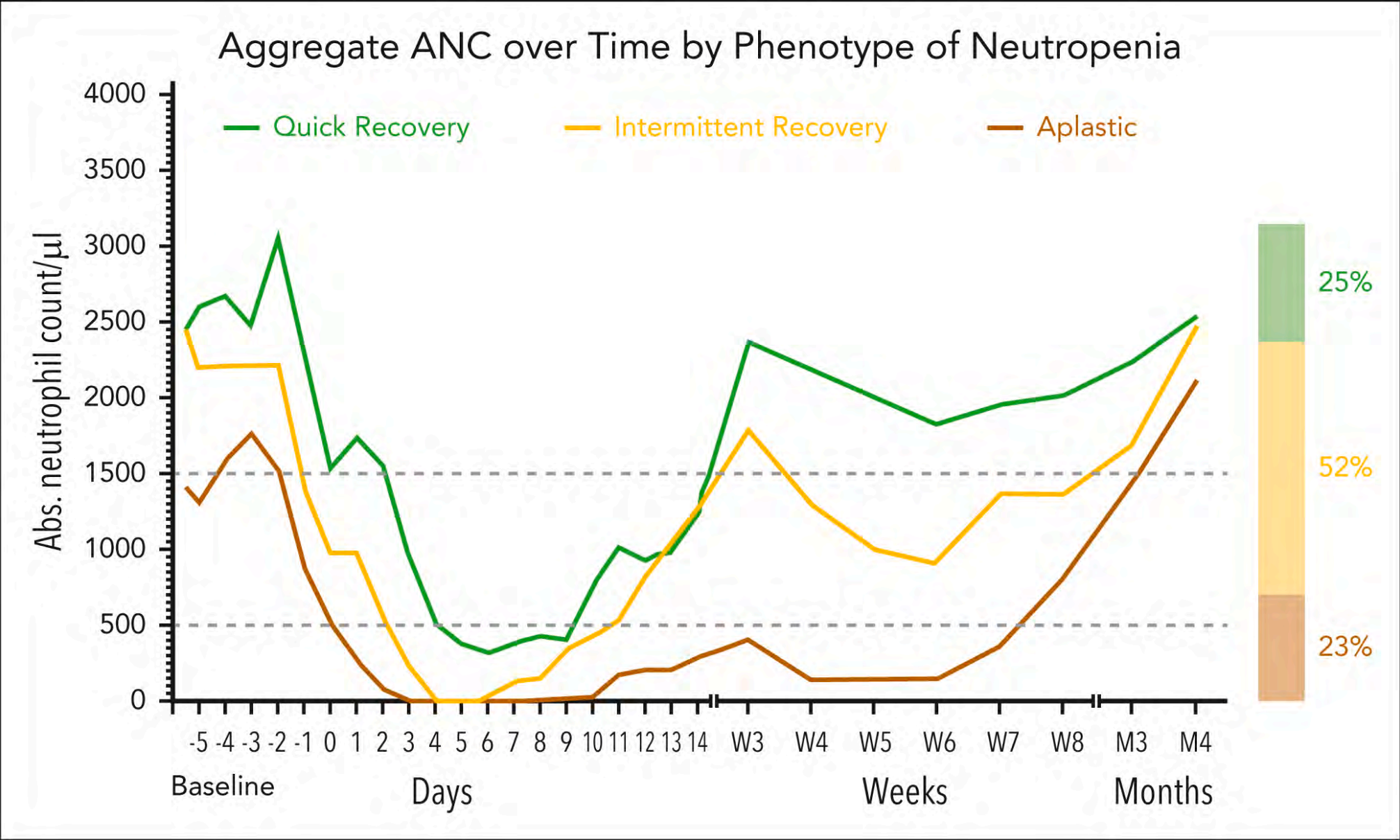
Tisa-cel



Number at risk		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
SD/PD		23	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
CR/PR		29	19	16	10	7	5	4	1	0	0

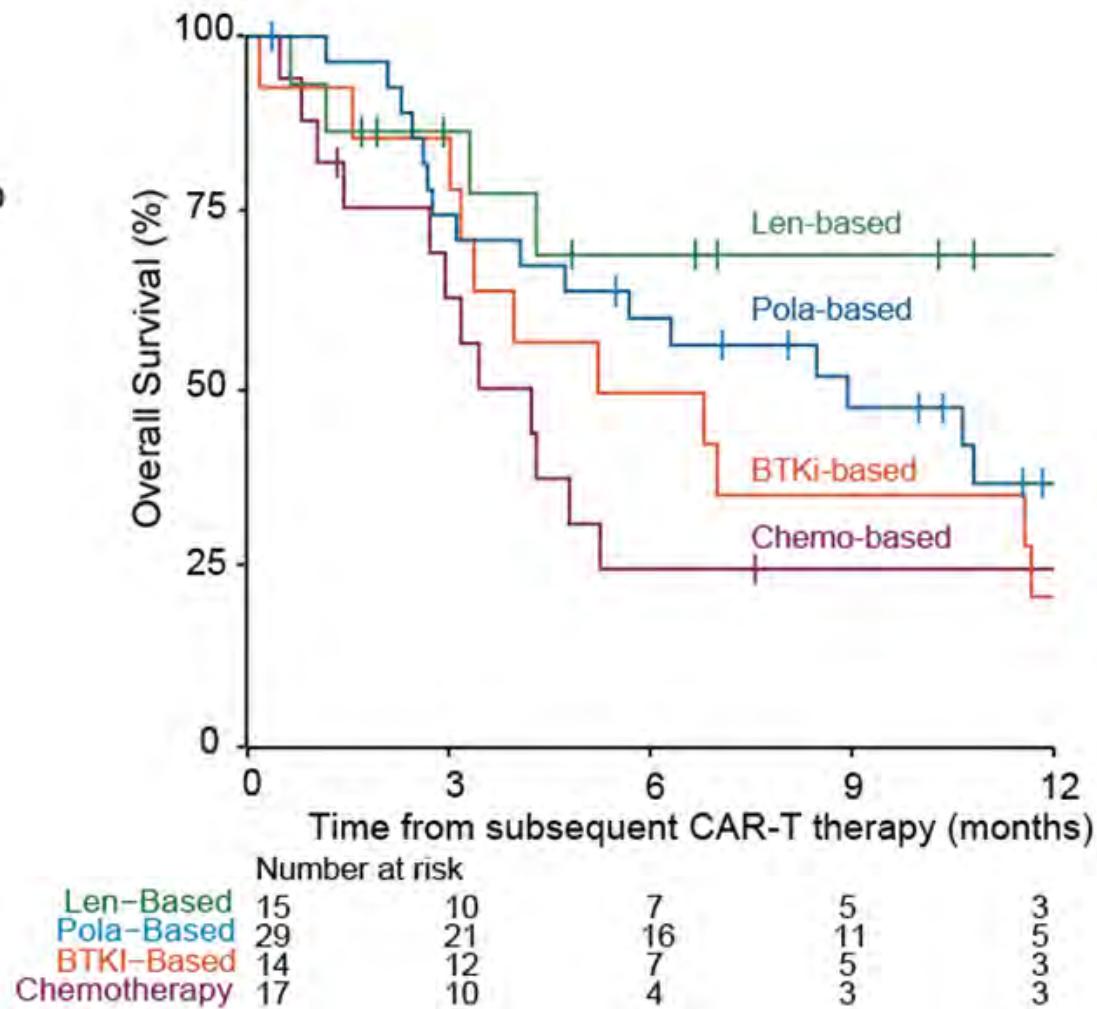
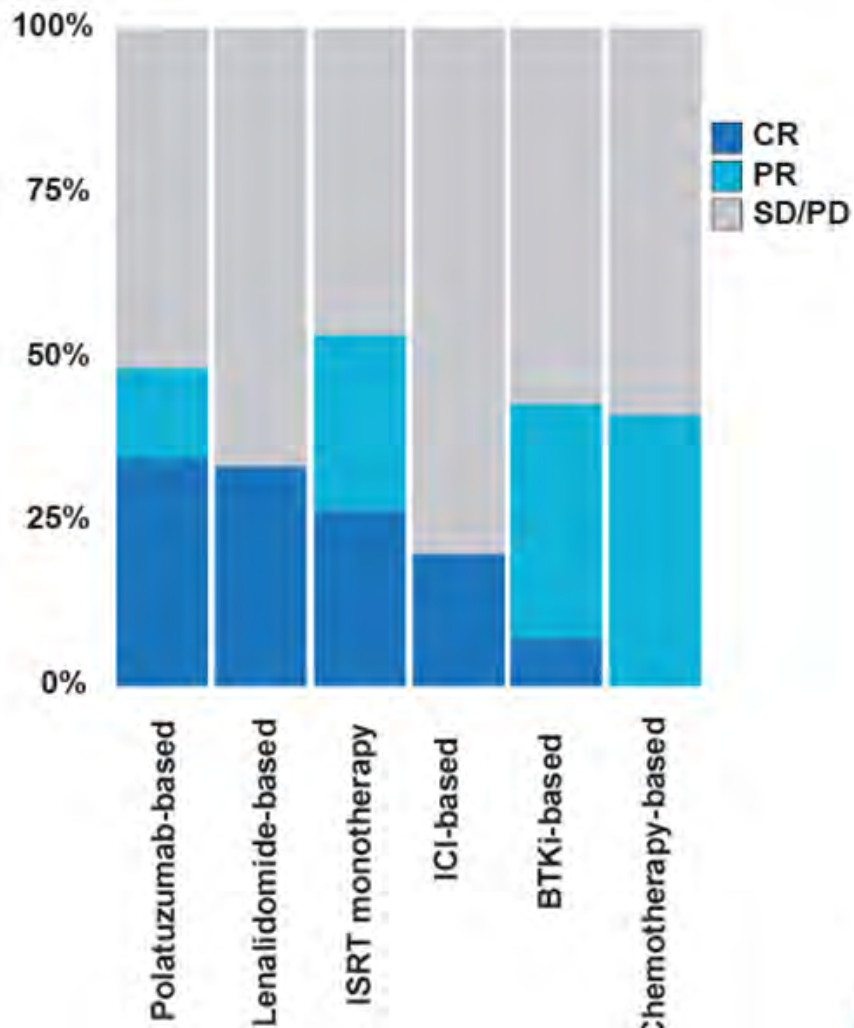
# Cytopenias after CAR T-cell therapy: Common and result in morbidity and reduced QoL





Tania Jain, Timothy S. Olson, Frederick L. Locke, How I treat cytopenias after CAR T-cell therapy, Blood, 2023.

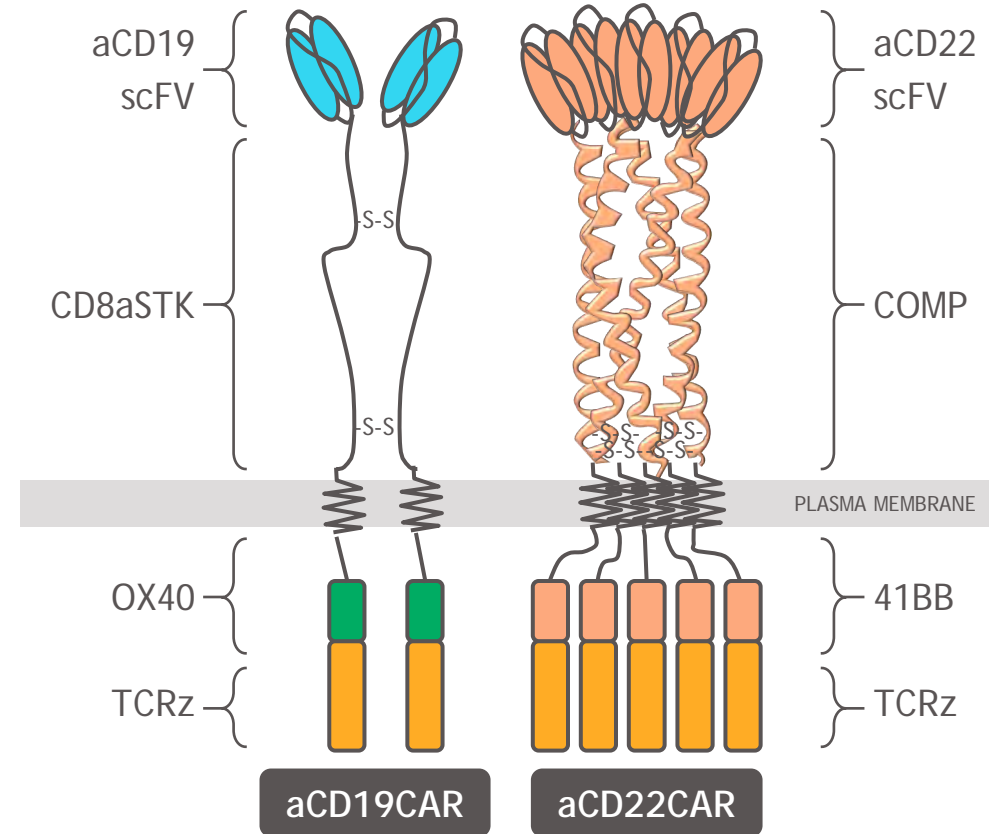
# Delivering therapy post CAR-T is challenging



# AUTO3: CD19 and CD22 targeting bicistronic CAR T cell therapy

- Gamma retroviral-based vector with RD114 pseudotype

- Dual antigen targeting
- Two independent CARs delivered in single retroviral vector
- Humanized binders
- CD22 CAR with novel pentameric spacer
- OX40/41BB costimulatory domains designed to improve persistence
- Independently target CD19 and CD22

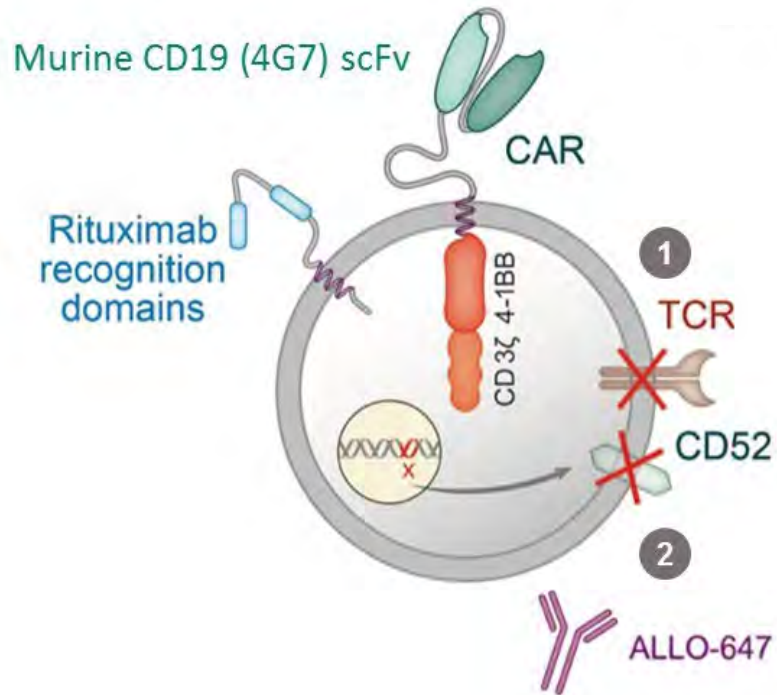


AUTO3 is not approved by any regulatory agency.

Osborne W, et al. Presented at EHA 2020;abstract S240.

# Allogeneic CAR T cell therapy for r/r NHL

1. TALEN-mediated TRAC KO eliminates TCR $\alpha$  expression to minimize risk of GvHD



2. TALEN-mediated CD52 KO allows selective lymphodepletion with ALLO-647

Allogeneic CAR T cell therapy may provide the benefits of autologous CAR T cell therapy while addressing challenges:

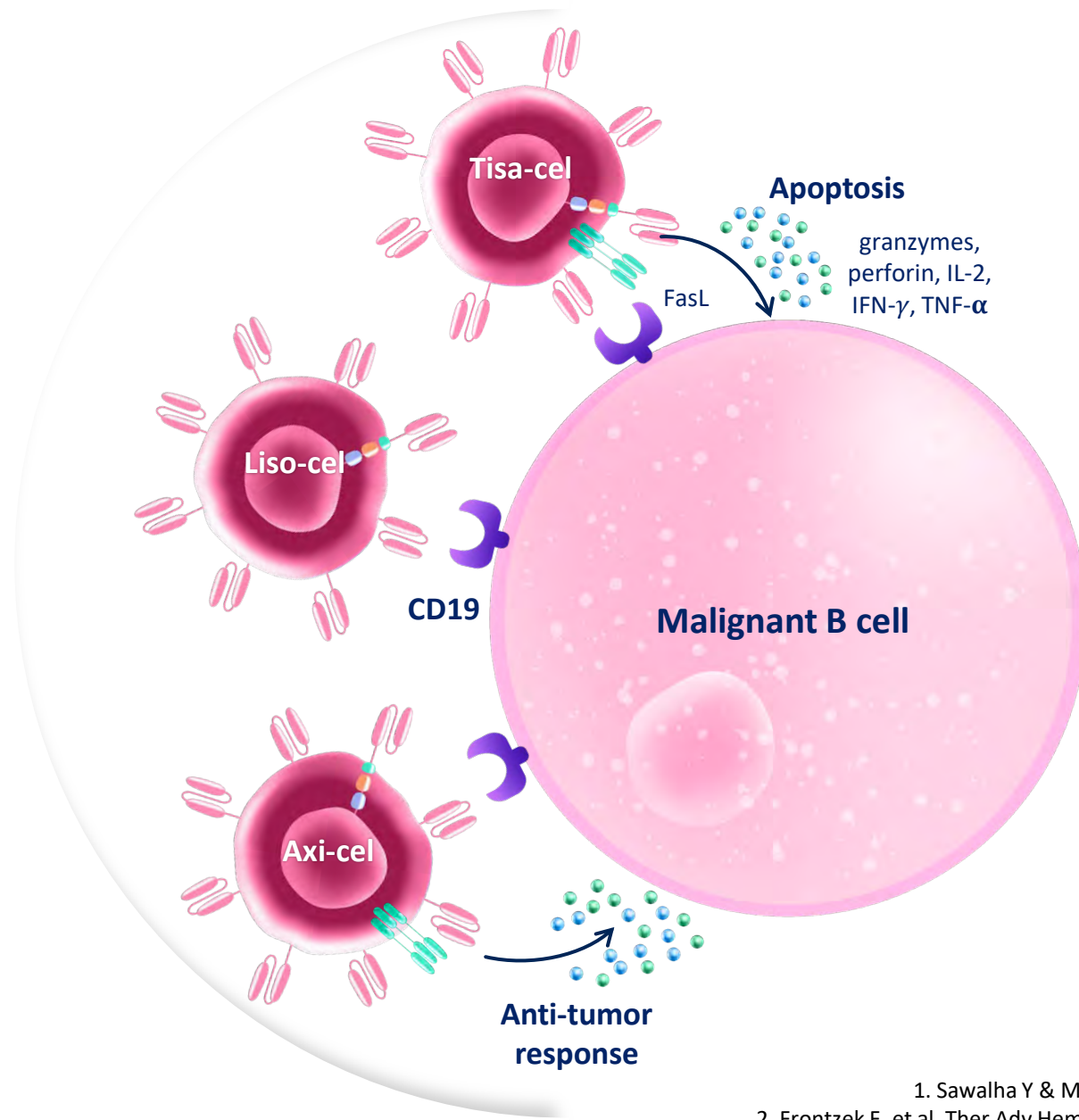
- Access
  - Potential to treat all eligible patients
  - Convenience of repeat dosing
  - No need for complex logistics
- Speed/reliability
  - “Off-the-shelf” treatment
  - Less product variability, made from healthy T-cells

ALLO-501 and ALLO-647 are not approved by any regulatory agency.

ALLO, allogeneic; GvHD, graft-versus-host disease; KO, knock out; TALEN, transcription activator-like effector nuclease; TRAC, T-cell receptor alpha chain.

Davies A. Personal communication. Neelapu SS, et al. Presented at ASCO 2020:abstract 8002.

## Moving CAR-T earlier in disease course

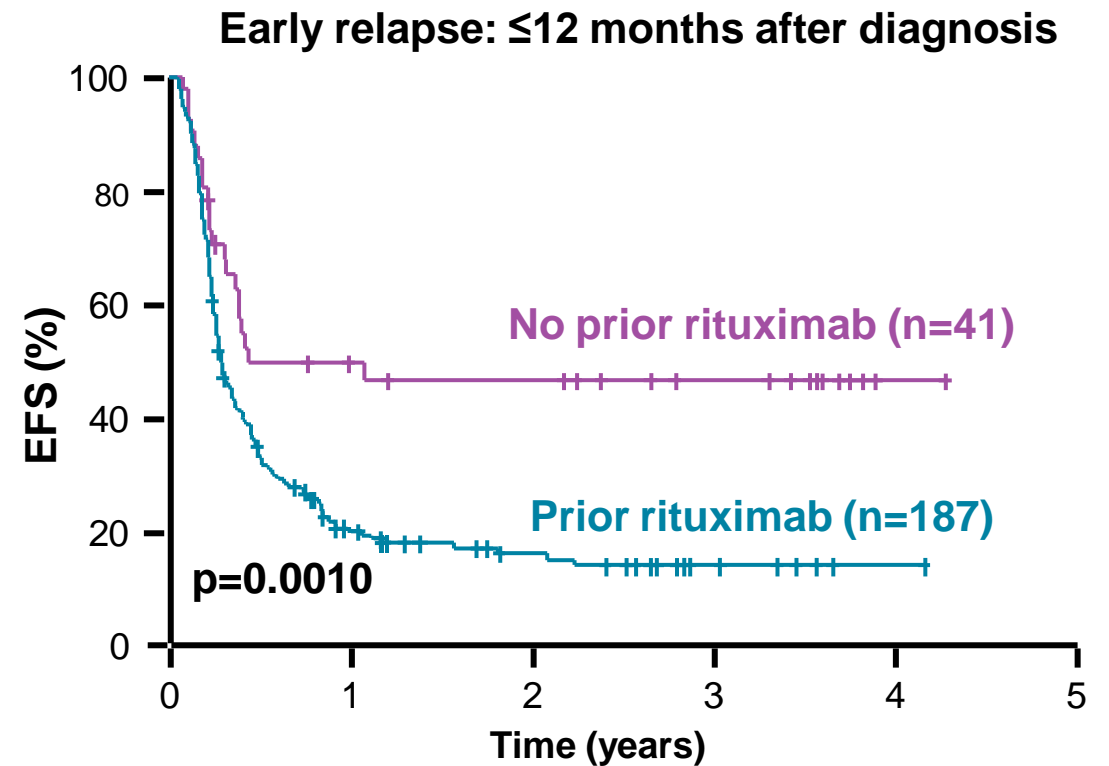
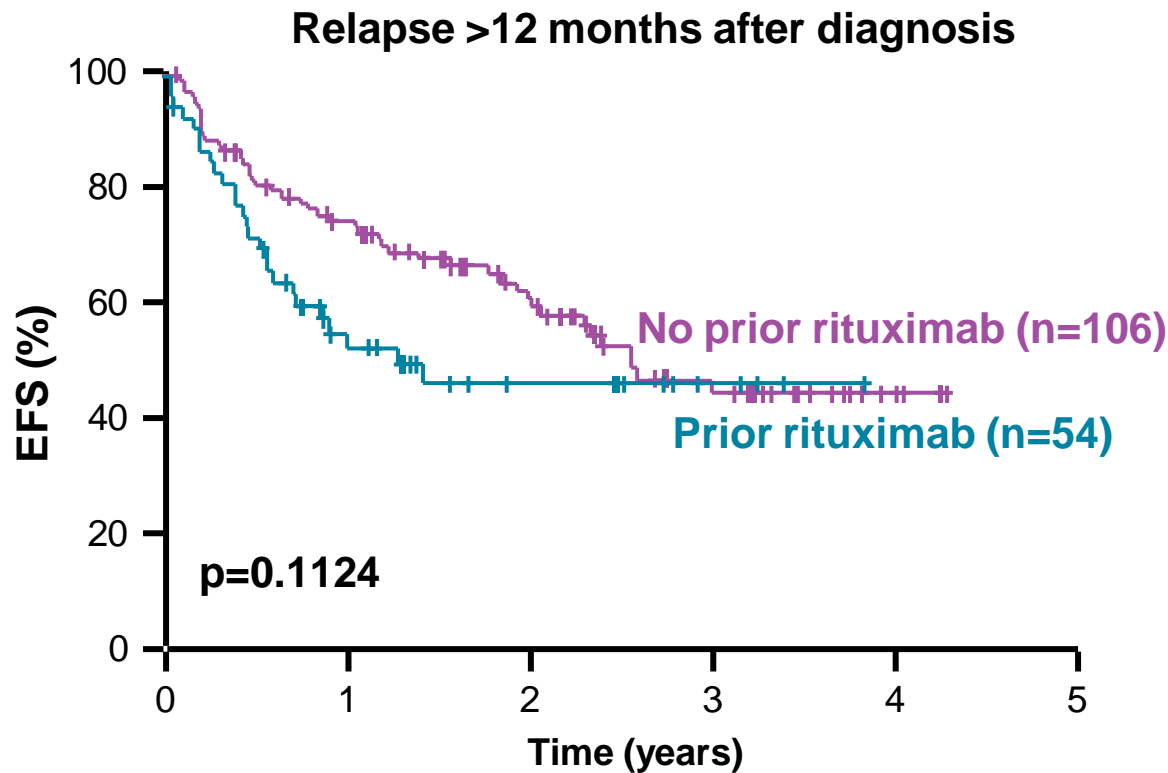


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# CORAL study: Standard regimens do not overcome poor prognosis of early relapse

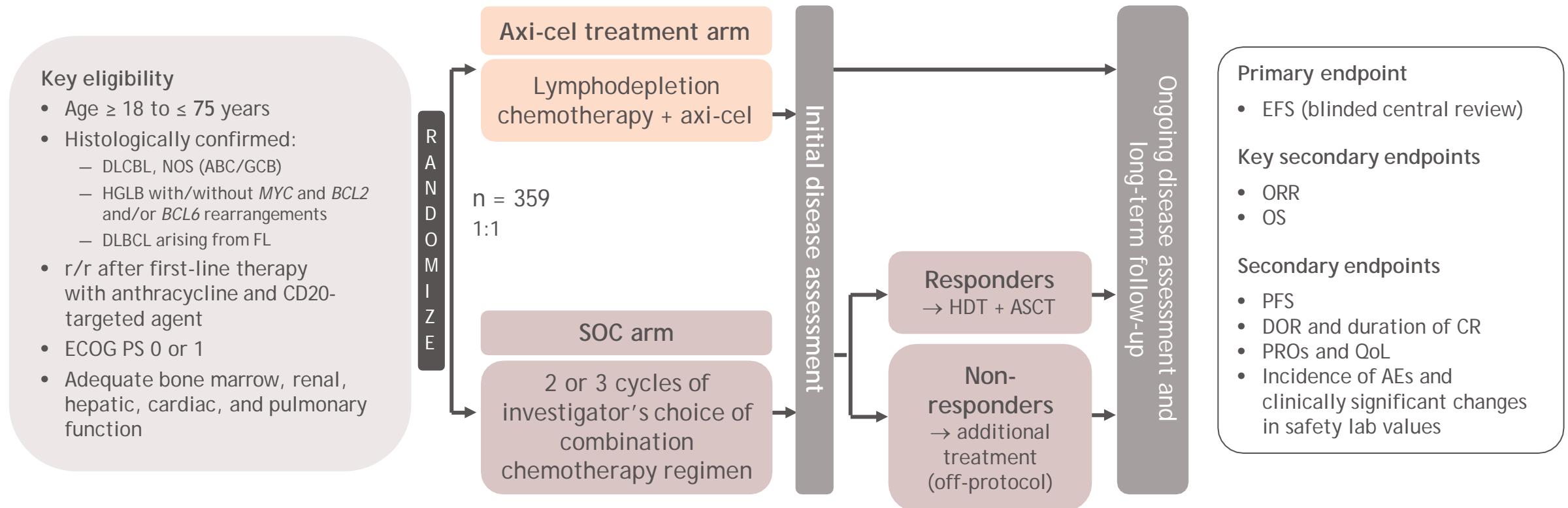
CORAL: Randomised study of R-ICE vs. R-DHAP in patients with R/R DLBCL after 1L R-CHOP (N=396)



**EARLY RELAPSE AND PRIOR RITUXIMAB TREATMENT DEFINED A POPULATION WITH A POOR RESPONSE RATE TO STANDARD SALVAGE TREATMENT**

# Progression to the second line of therapy?

ZUMA-7, a randomized, open label, phase 3 trial of second-line axicabtagene ciloleucel versus standard of care in adult patients with r/r DLBCL

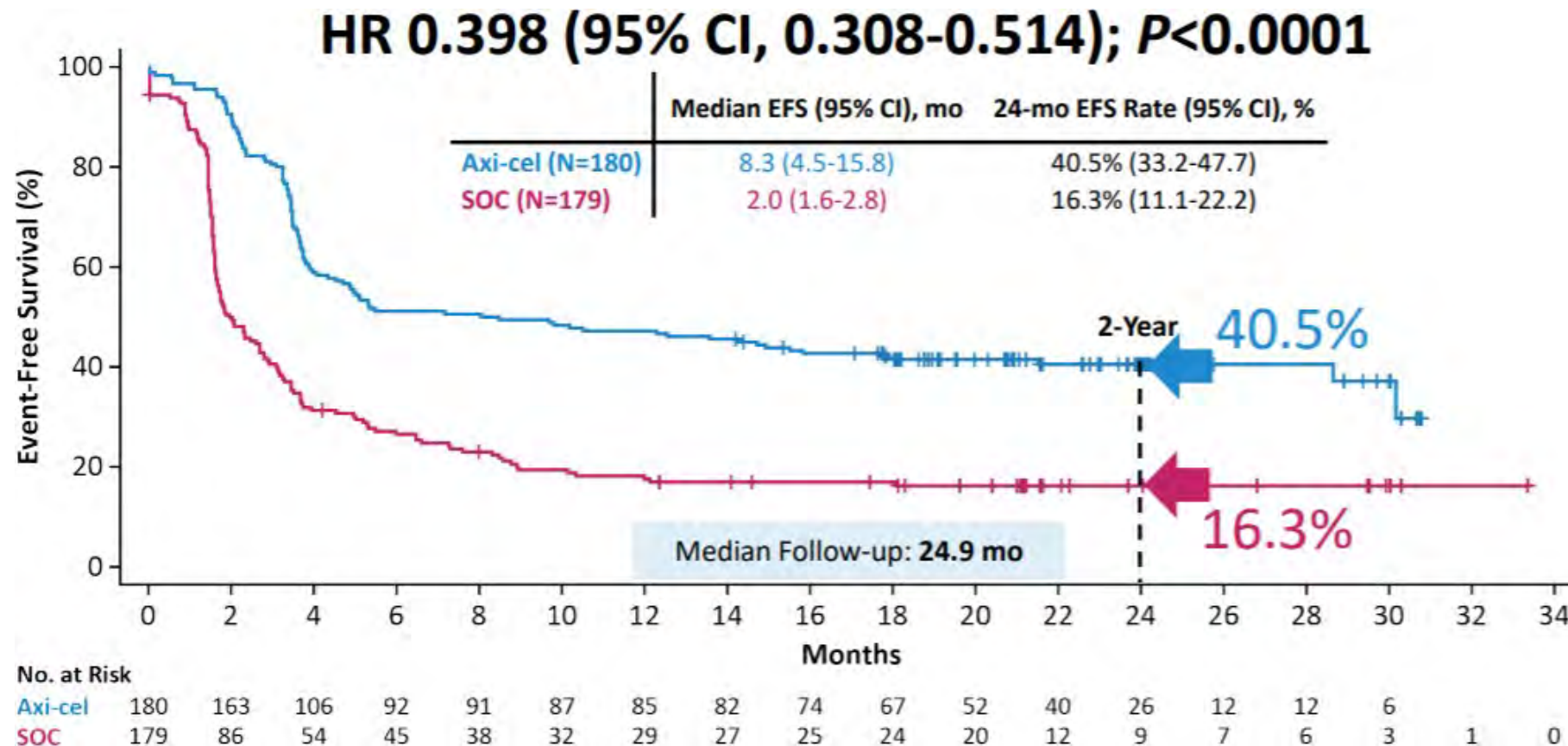


Axi-cel, axicabtagene ciloleucel; HDT, high-dose therapy; NOS, not otherwise specified; PRO, patient-reported outcome; QoL, quality of life; SOC, standard of care.

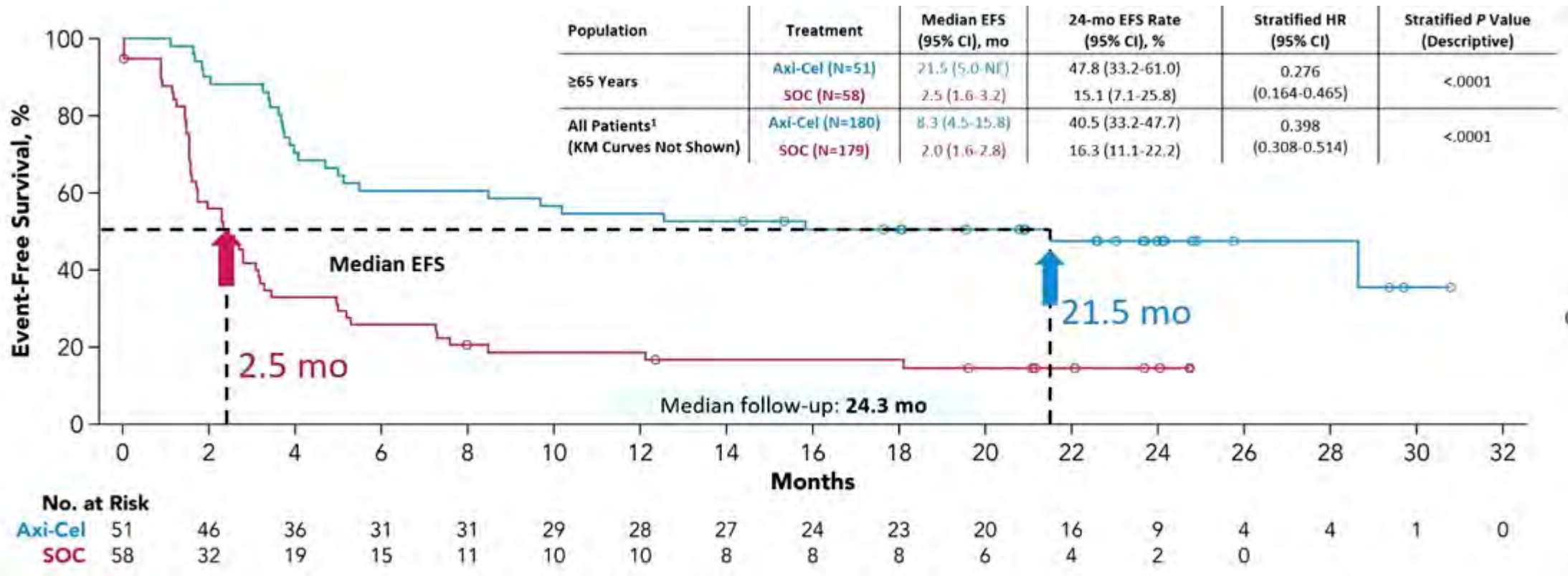
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TRANSFORM (lisocabtagene maraleucel) and BELINDA (tisagenlecleucel)

# Zuma-7 Primary endpoint: Event-Free Survival

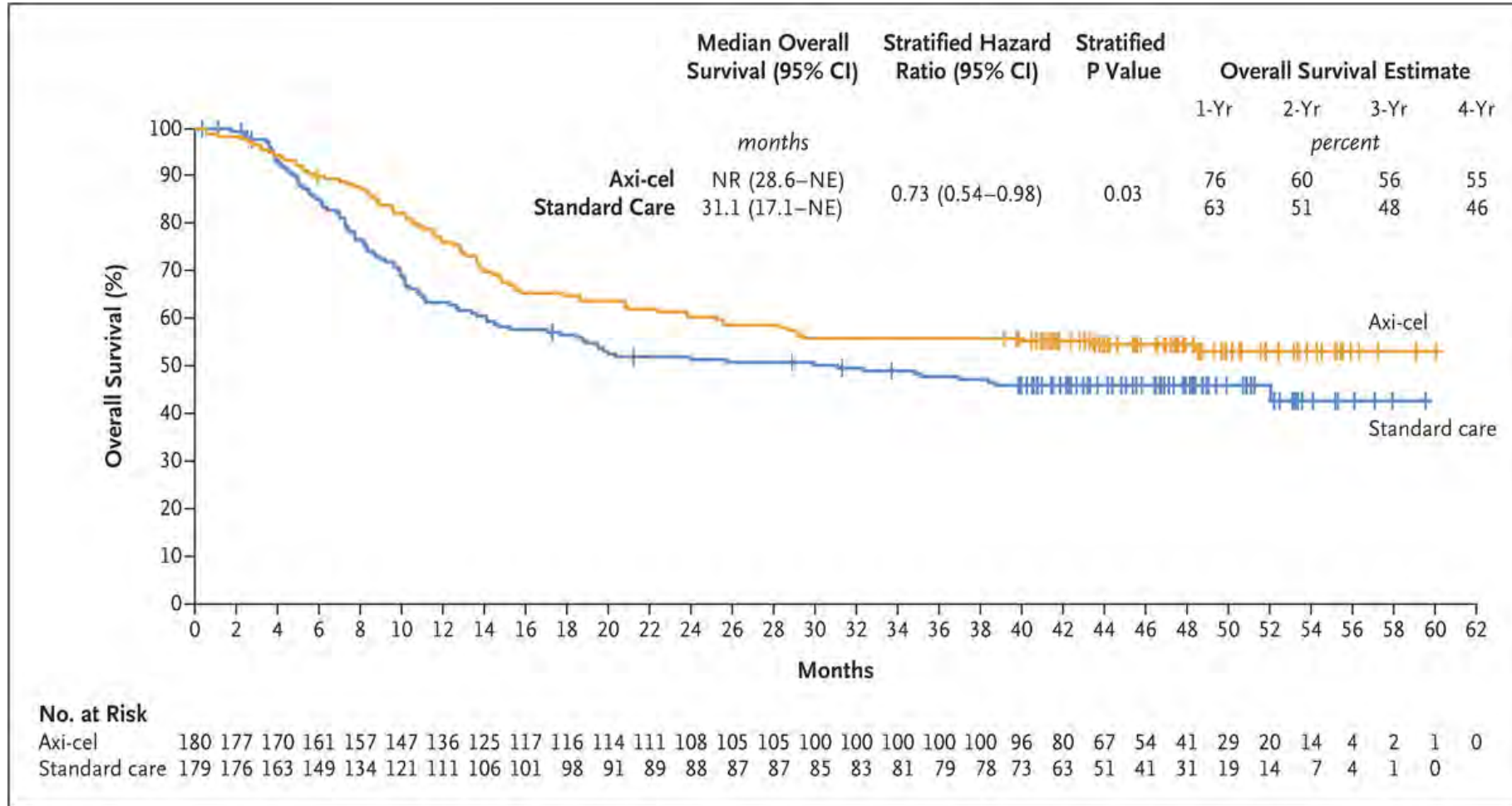


# This is an option in the elderly (eldest 81)

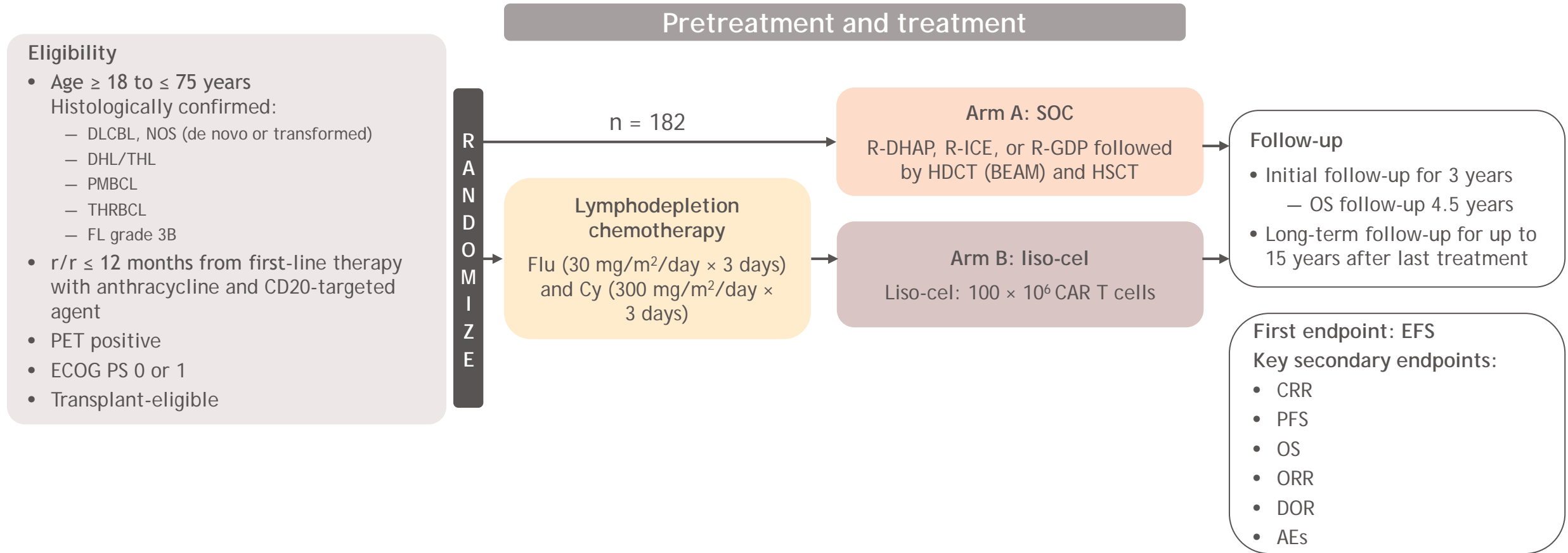


At a median follow-up of 24.3 months, median EFS was 21.5m [95% CI, 5.0-NE] with axi-cel vs 2.5m [95% CI, 1.6-3.2] with SOC in patients aged ≥ 65 years

# Overall Survival advantage.



# TRANSFORM: Isocabtagene maraleucel compared to standard of care second-line therapy in r/r aggressive B-cell NHL

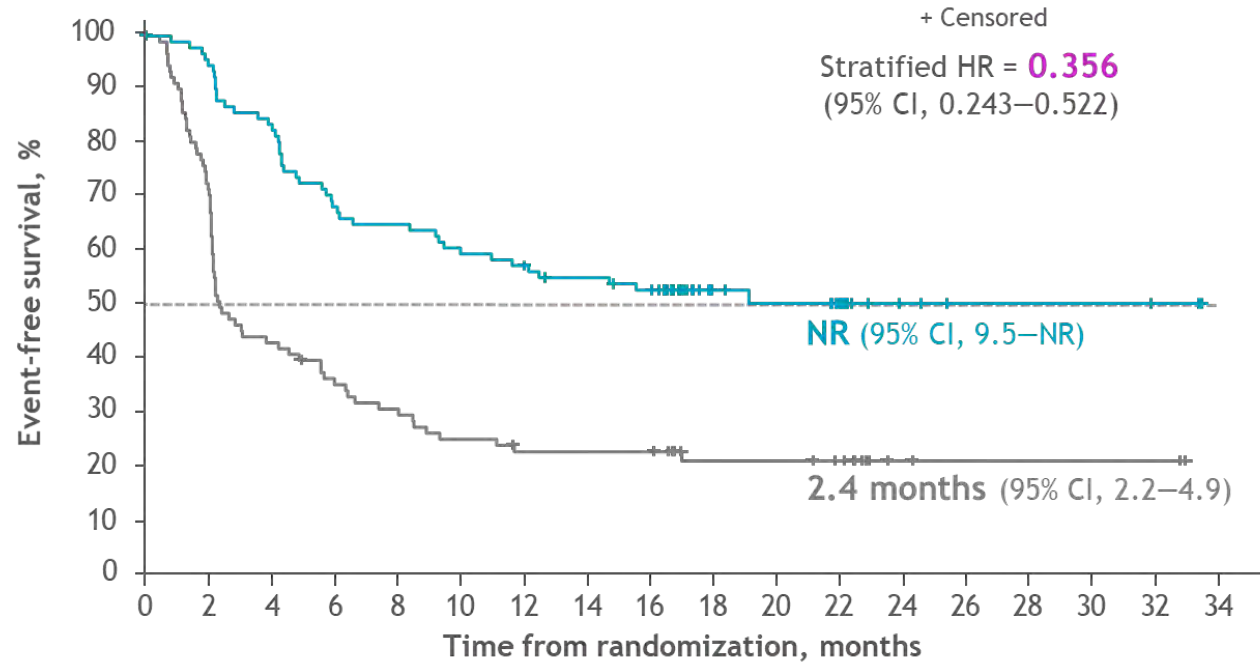


Lisocabtagene maraleucel is not approved by any regulatory agency.

BEAM, carmustine, etoposide, cytarabine, melphalan; CR, complete response; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; HDCT, high-dose chemotherapy; ORR, overall response rate; PFS-2, progression after the next line of therapy.

NCT03575351. Available from: <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03575351>. Accessed October 2020.

# TRANSFORM: EFS per IRC (ITT set; primary endpoint)



18-month EFS rate	
<b>Liso-cel</b> <b>52.6%</b> (95% CI, 42.3–62.9)	<b>SOC</b> <b>20.8%</b> (95% CI, 12.2–29.5)

Median follow-up: 17.5 months

No. at risk

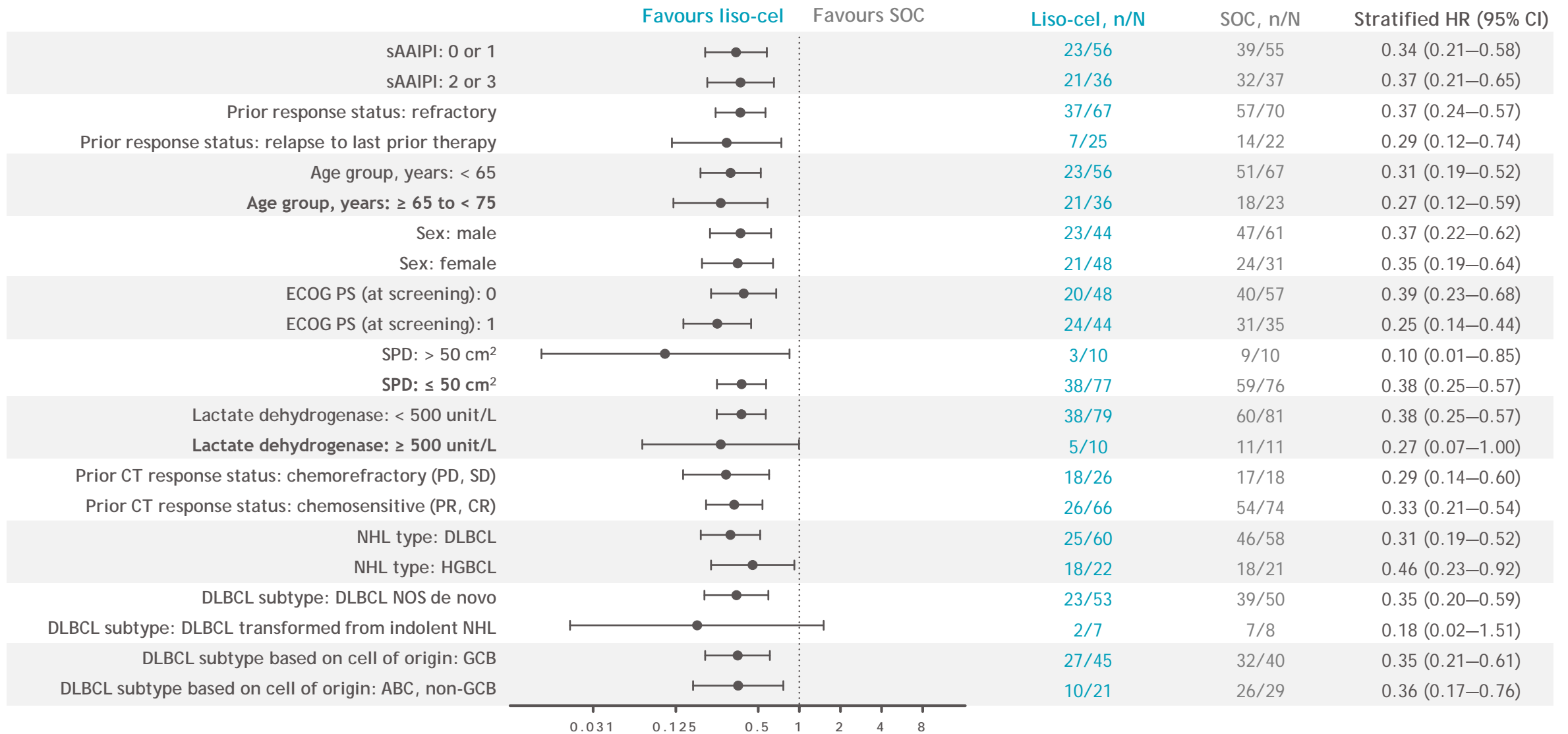
Liso-cel	92	87	76	62	59	55	52	48	45	24	20	17	5	3	3	3	3	0
SOC	92	66	39	32	27	22	19	19	19	12	12	10	3	2	2	2	2	0

EFS was defined as the time from randomization to death due to any cause, PD, failure to achieve CR or PR by 9 weeks post-randomisation, or start of a new antineoplastic therapy due to efficacy concerns, whichever occurred first. This endpoint was not statistically retested for the primary analysis.

EFS, event free survival; IRC, independent review committee; ITT, intent-to-treat; NR, not reached.

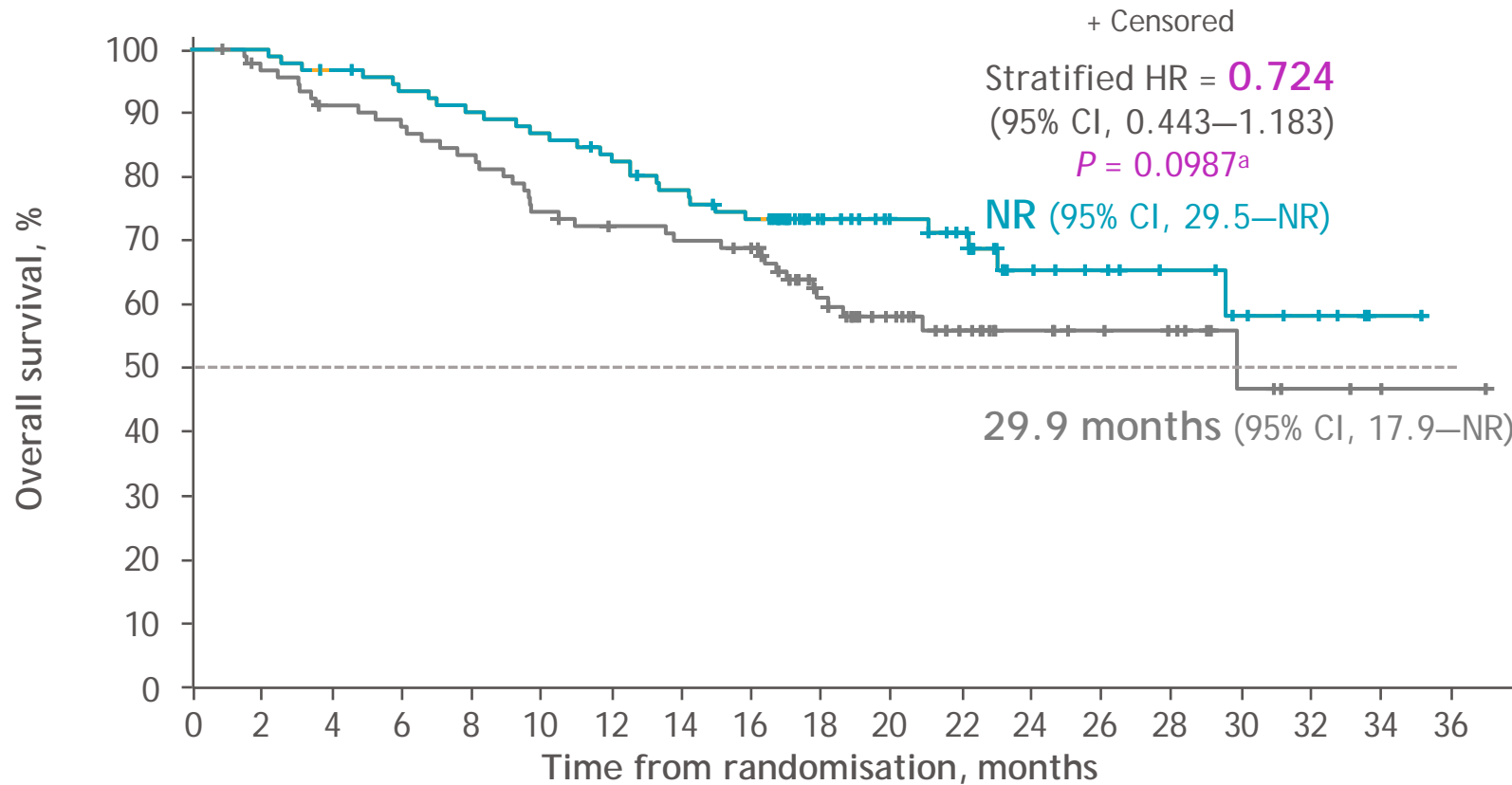
Abramson JA et al, Oral 655, ASH 2022

# TRANSFORM: EFS per IRC by subgroup (ITT set)





# Survival is evolving: TRANSFORM overall survival (ITT set)



18-month OS rate	
<b>Liso-cel</b> <b>73.1%</b> (95% CI, 63.9—82.3)	<b>SOC</b> <b>60.6%</b> (95% CI, 50.2—71.1)

Median follow-up: 17.5 months

No. at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36
<b>Liso-cel</b>	92	92	88	84	81	78	74	68	63	43	34	30	16	13	10	7	5	1	0
SOC	92	88	81	79	74	66	62	60	58	41	30	21	15	12	10	5	3	1	1

- Patients in SOC arm who crossed over to receive liso-cel continue to be followed for OS in the SOC arm

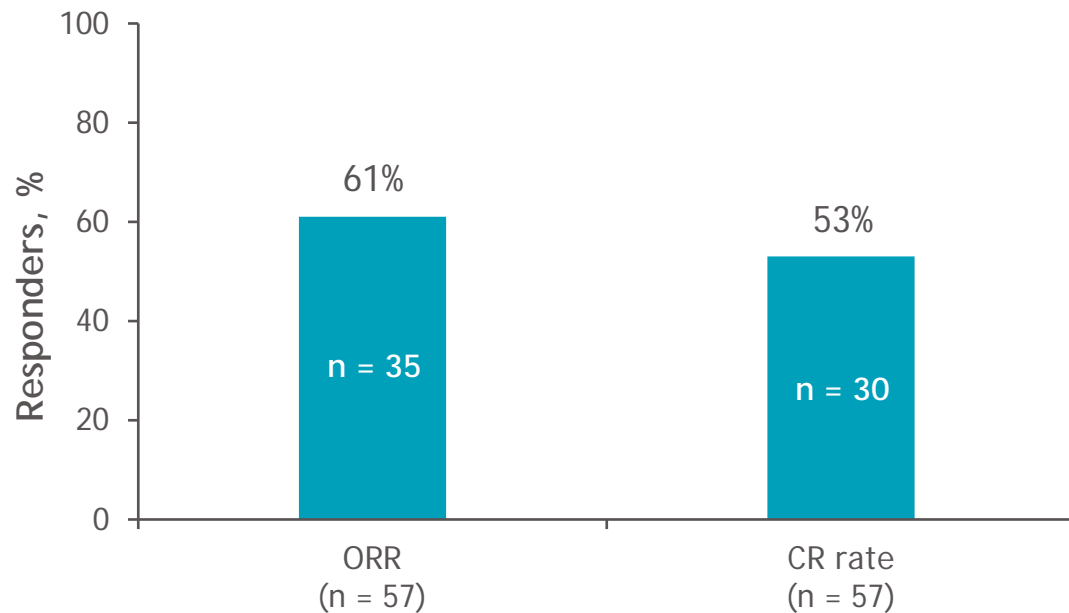
<sup>a</sup>One-sided *P* value significance threshold to reject the null hypothesis was  $\leq 0.021$ .

OS was defined as the time from randomization to death from any cause. ITT, Intent-to treat; liso-cel, lisocabtagene maraleucel; NR, not reached

# TRANSFORM: efficacy outcomes in the crossover subgroup

Of 92 patients in the SOC group, 61 (66%) were approved for crossover to receive liso-cel

- 58 received CAR<sup>+</sup> T cells (57 received liso-cel, 1 received nonconforming product)
- Median time from crossover approval to liso-cel infusion was 15 days (range, 8–95)



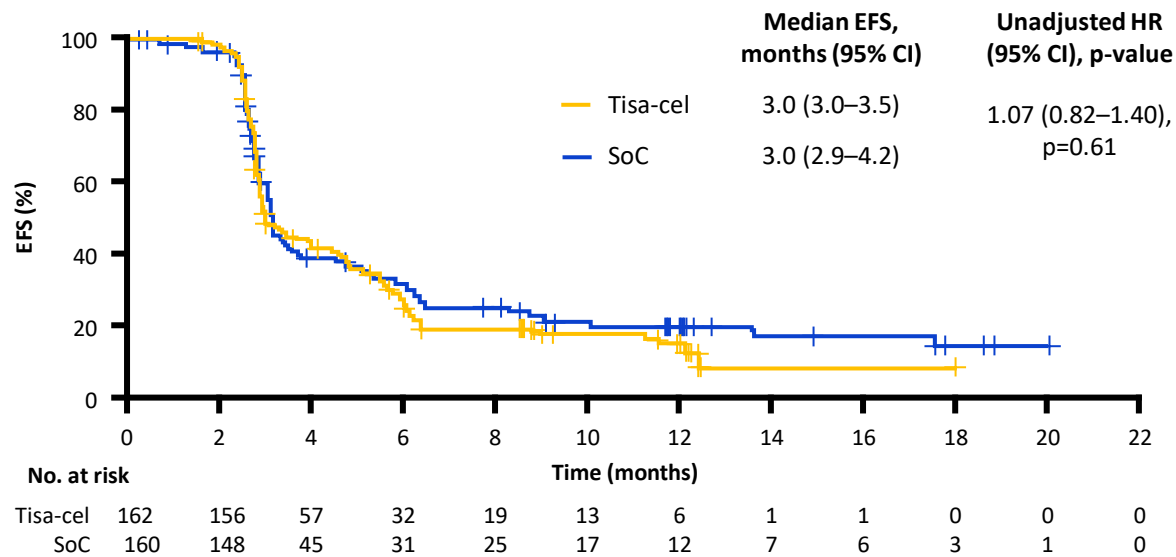
	Crossover subgroup (n = 57) <sup>a</sup>
Median (range) follow-up, months <sup>b</sup>	12.0 (1.4–28.1)
Median (95% CI) EFS, months <sup>c</sup>	5.9 (3.1–15.1)
Median (95% CI) PFS, months <sup>c</sup>	5.9 (3.2–26.5)
Median (95% CI) OS, months <sup>c</sup>	15.8 (11.8–NR)

All endpoints were evaluated from the time of liso-cel infusion.

<sup>a</sup>Three patients approved for crossover who did not receive liso-cel and 1 patient who received nonconforming product were not included in the efficacy analyses; <sup>b</sup>Calculated for the 58 patients randomised to the SOC group who were approved for crossover and received CAR<sup>+</sup> T cells; <sup>c</sup>Median estimates of time to event were Kaplan-Meier product-limit estimates.

# BELINDA: Tisa-cel failed to show improved efficacy vs SoC in 2L R/R aggressive B-cell lymphoma

EFS with tisa-cel vs SoC



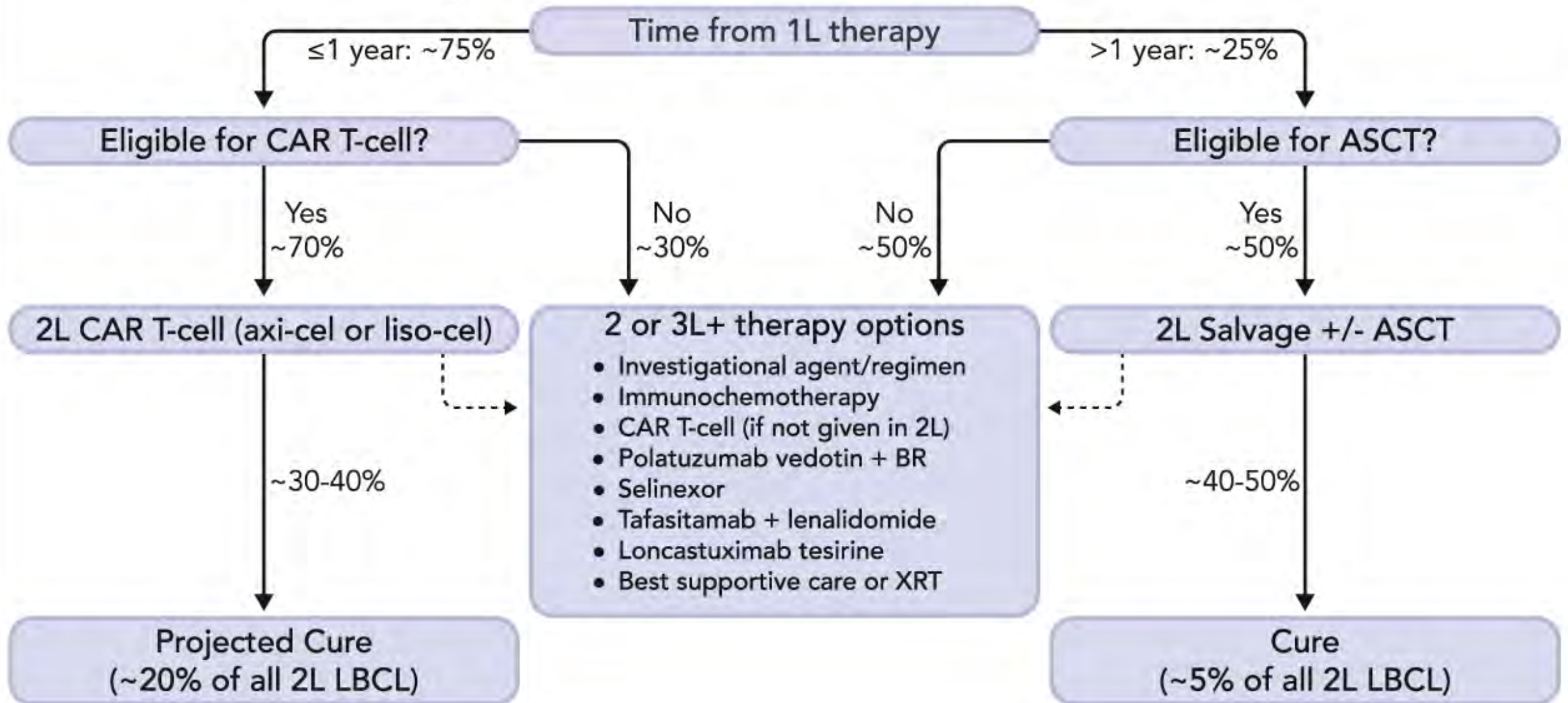
## Response rates

- At week 6, 38.3% of patients receiving tisa-cel and 53.8% of those receiving SoC had a response
- From week 12, a response occurred in 46.3% of patients receiving tisa-cel and 42.5% receiving SoC

Safety, n (%)	Tisa-cel (n=162)	SoC (n=160)
Grade ≥3 AEs	136 (84.0)	144 (90.0)
Treatment-related Grade ≥3 AEs	121 (74.7)	137 (85.6)
Grade ≥3 CRS*	8 (5.2)	NA
Grade ≥3 neurologic events*	3 (1.9)	NA
Fatal AEs	10 (6.2)	13 (8.1)

\*A total of 155 patients from the tisa-cel arm were evaluable for CRS and neurologic events.

## Algorithm for Second-line Therapy of LBCL



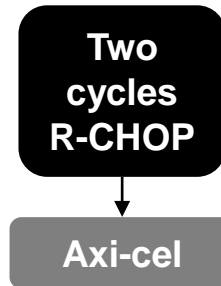
## CAR-T however remain significantly challenging: Further options needed

- Manufacturing challenges/disease kinetics
- Tolerability
- Geographical constraints
- Social and economic challenges. Equity of access
- High rate of treatment failure.

# ZUMA-12: Phase II study of axi-cel as first-line therapy for high-risk DLBCL

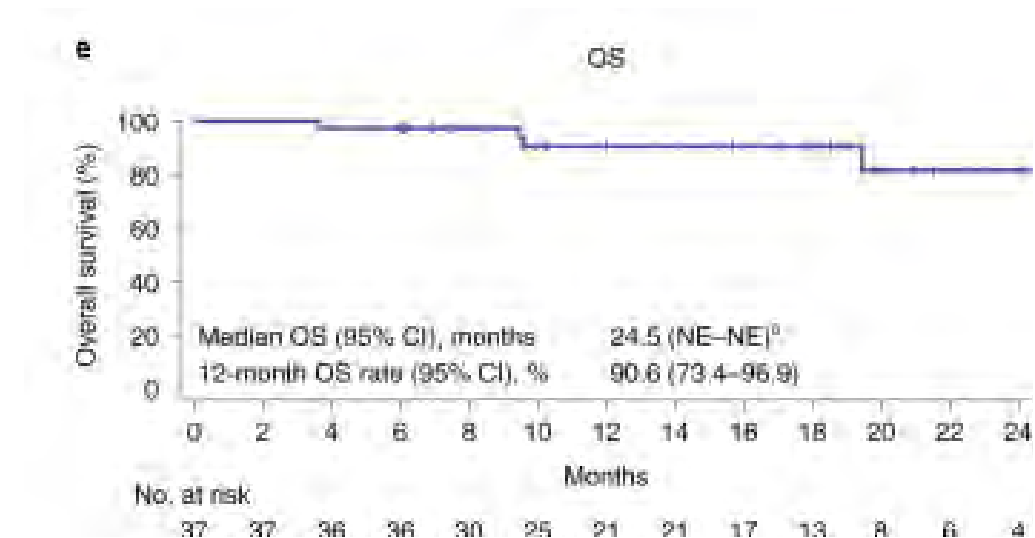
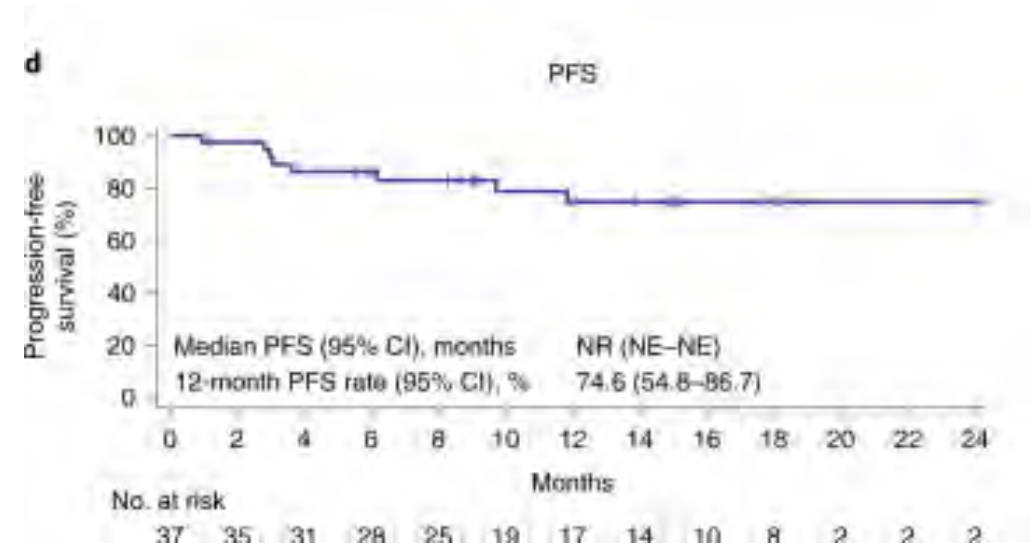
1L high-risk LBCL (N=40):

1. Double-/triple-hit lymphoma with IPI score  $\geq 3$
2. Positive interim PET\* after 2 cycles of anti-CD20 mAb + anthracycline-containing regimen (dynamic risk assessment)

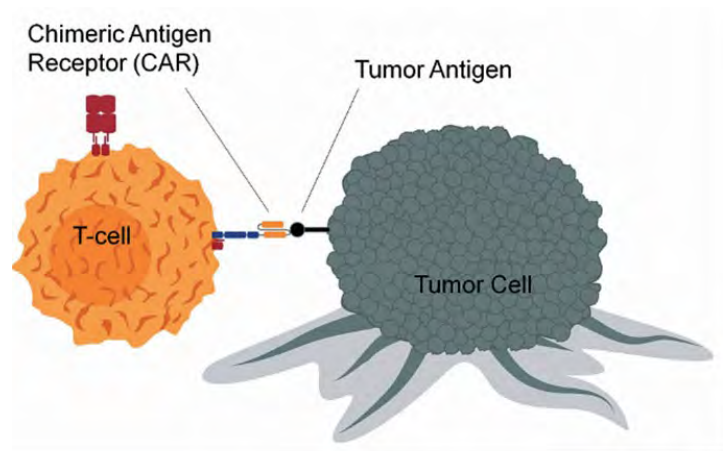


89% ORR  
78% CR

CRS  $\geq 3$  in 3 cases  
Neurology AE  $\geq 3$  in 8

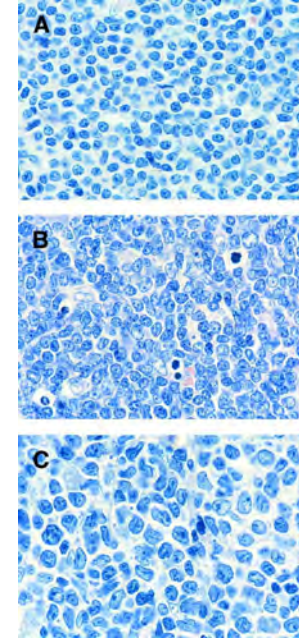


# CAR-T in mantle cell lymphoma



# Mantle cell lymphoma (MCL)

- Mature B-cell NHL<sup>1</sup>
- Classified as an indolent lymphoma, but often aggressive behaviour<sup>1</sup>
- 3–6% of adult NHL presentations in US/Europe<sup>2–4</sup>
- Male predominance (3:1)<sup>5</sup>
- Median age at presentation: 65 years<sup>5</sup>
- Incidence increasing (1–2/100,000)<sup>5,6</sup>
- Diagnosis from biopsy, preferably LN, or BM for rare leukaemic form<sup>5</sup>

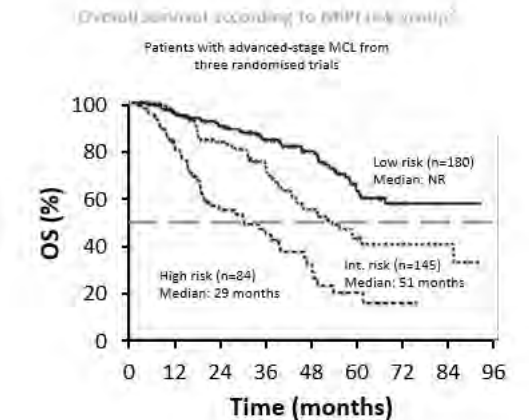
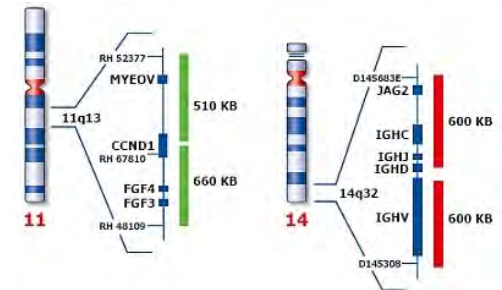


CD5 positive, small to medium size<sup>5</sup>

Morphological variants<sup>5</sup>:

- Blastoid
- Pleomorphic
- Small-cell
- Marginal zone-like

>95% have *CCND1* translocation t(11;14)<sup>7</sup>



BM: bone marrow; LN: lymph node; NHL: non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; CD: clusters of differentiation

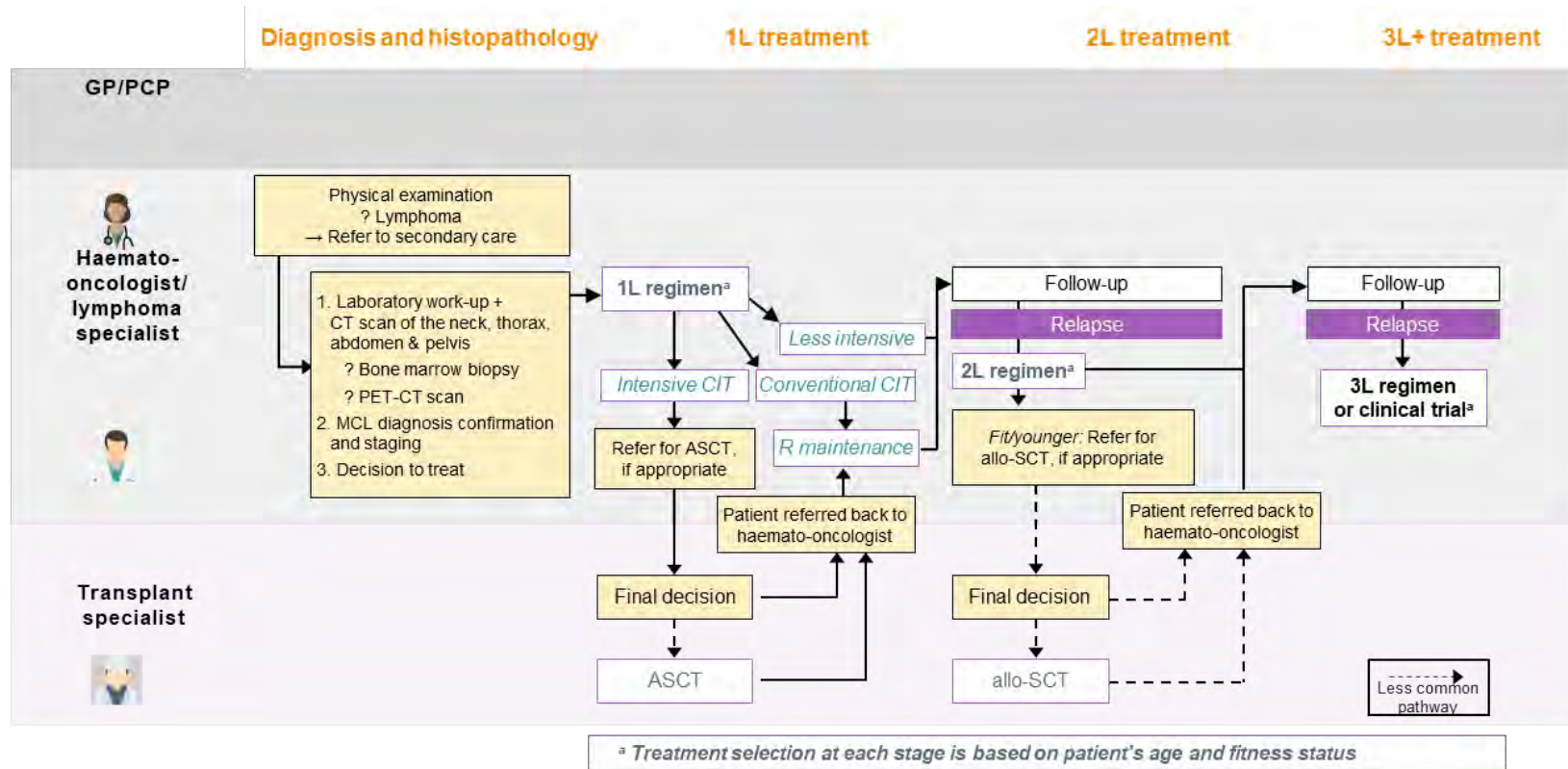
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4. Zhou Y, et al. *Cancer* 2008; 113:791–798. 5. Dreyling M, et al. *Ann Oncol* 2017; 28(suppl. 4):iv62–iv71. 6. Fu S, et al. *Oncotarget* 2017; 8:112516–112529.

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# Patient journey: Diagnosis and treatment of MCL

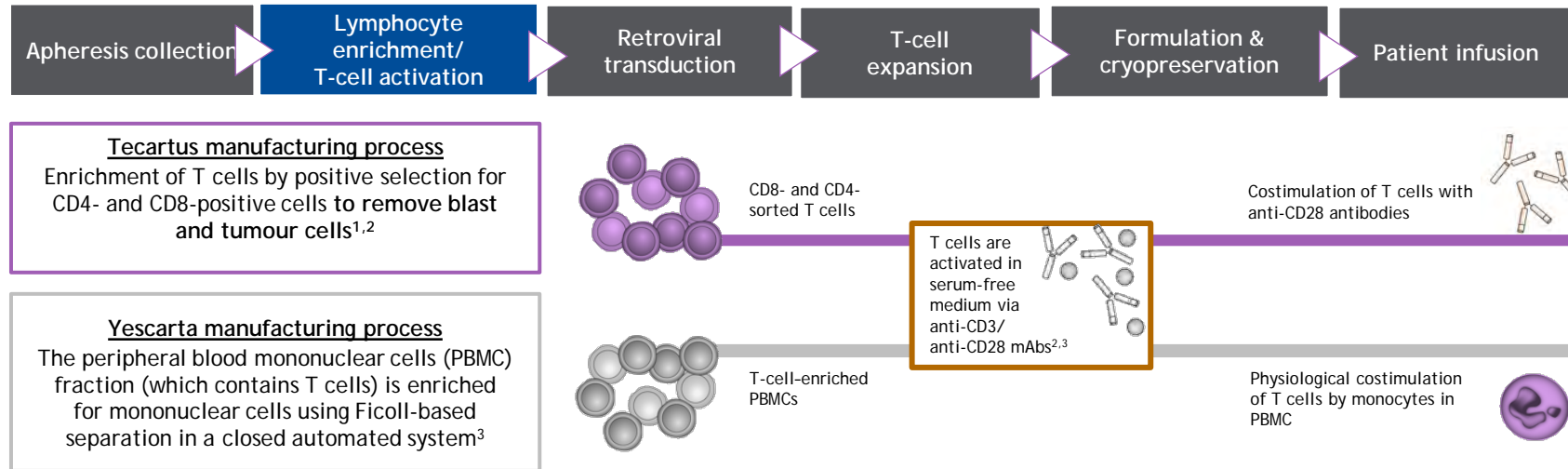


Considered an incurable disease and although outcomes have improved, long-term treatment options remain poor

Poor clinical outcomes in the majority of patients with primary or secondary ibrutinib resistance

1L: first line; 2L: second line; 3L: third line; allo-SCT: allogeneic stem cell transplant; ASCT: autologous stem cell transplant; CIT: chemoimmunotherapy; CT: computed tomography;  
 GP: general practitioner; PCP: primary care practitioner; PET: positron emission tomography; R: rituximab  
 Based on Dreyling M, et al. *Ann Oncol* 2017; 28(suppl. 4):iv62-iv71.

# Manufacturing process for brexucabtagene is different to that of axicabtagene



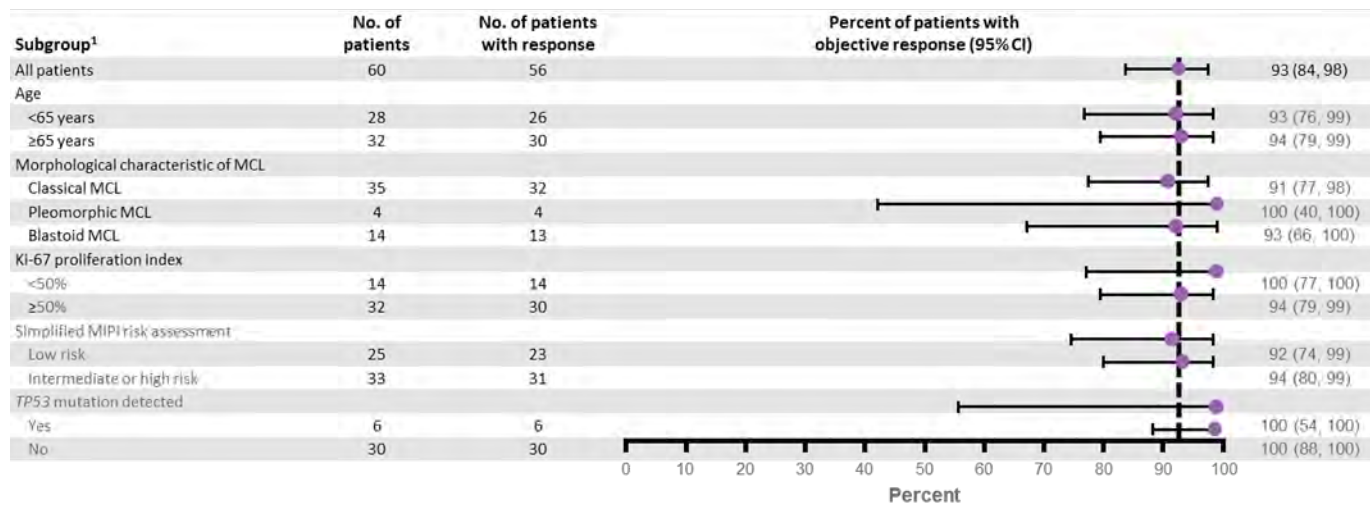
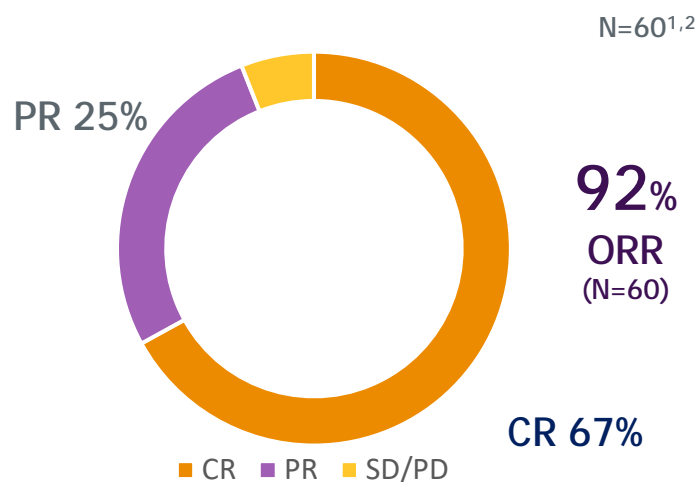
Tecartus manufacturing process reduces the likelihood of circulating CD19-expressing tumour cells in leukapheresis material<sup>4</sup>

IL: interleukin; PBMC: peripheral blood mononuclear cell

1. Sabatino M, *et al.* ASH 2016 (Abstract 1227; oral). 2. Data on file. XLP Manufacturing Process. Gilead Sciences Europe Ltd. 2020.

3. Better M, *et al.* *Cell Gene Ther Insights* 2018; 4:173-186. 4. Wang M, *et al.* *N Engl J Med* 2020; 382:1331-1342.

## ZUMA-2: Response rates (n=60)



Primary efficacy analysis (n=60) according to the protocol was conducted on the first 60 treated patients followed up for a minimum of 7 months

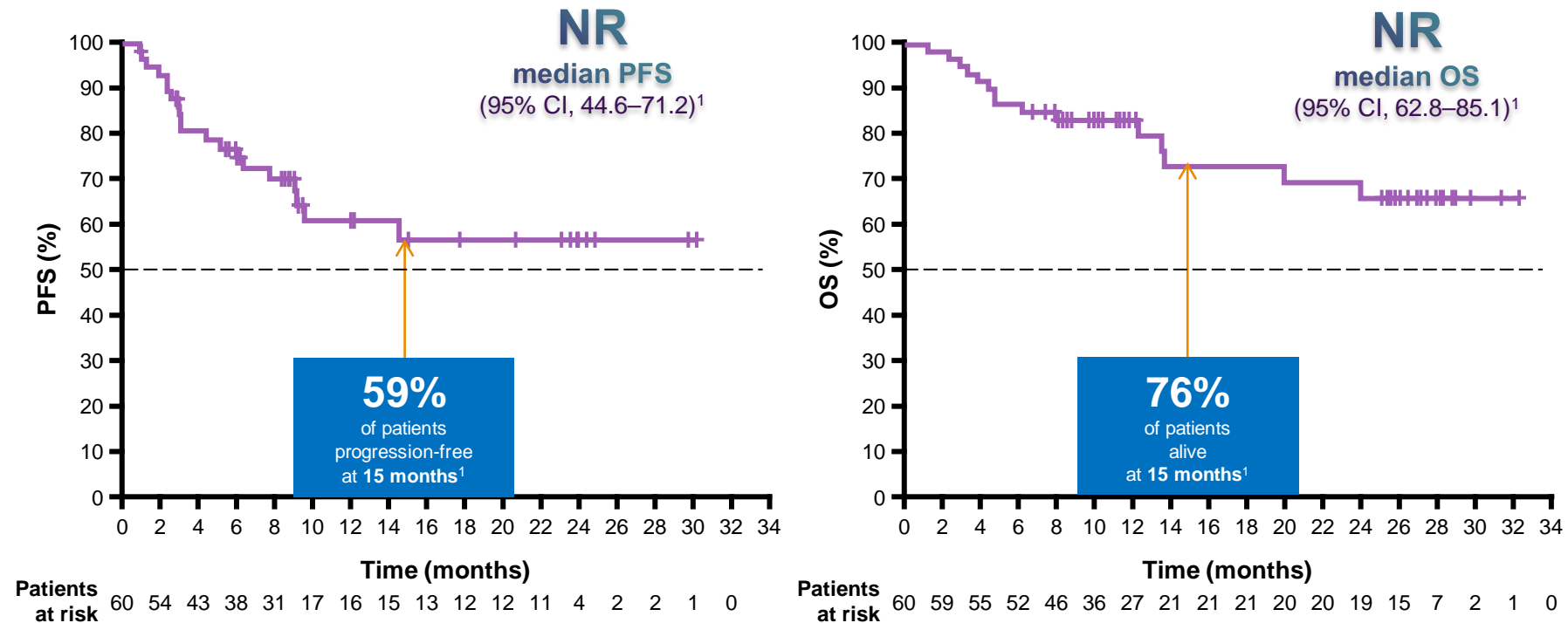
ORR by IRRC Assessment Was 92% (95% CI, 82-97) with a CR Rate of 67% (95% CI, 53-78)<sup>1,2</sup>

Median time to initial response: 1.0 month  
(95% CI=0.8, 3.1)

Due to rounding, percentages do not add up to 93%  
CI: confidence interval; CR: complete response; PR: partial response; SD: stable disease

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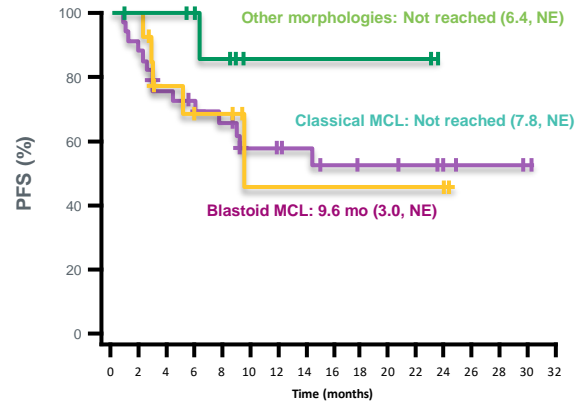
# ZUMA-2: Median PFS and OS were not reached after 17.5 months median follow-up in evaluable patients (n=60)<sup>1,2</sup>



NE: not estimable: NR: not reached

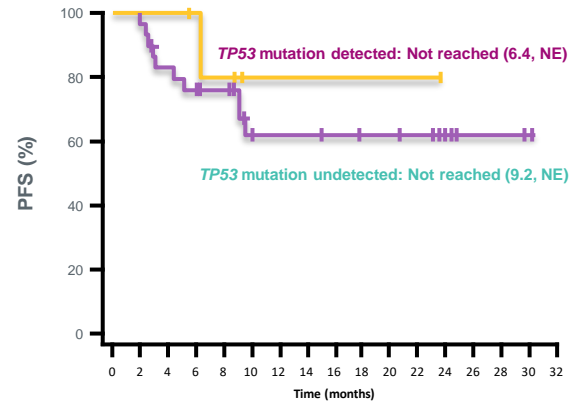
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# ZUMA-2: Progression-free survival in high-risk subgroups



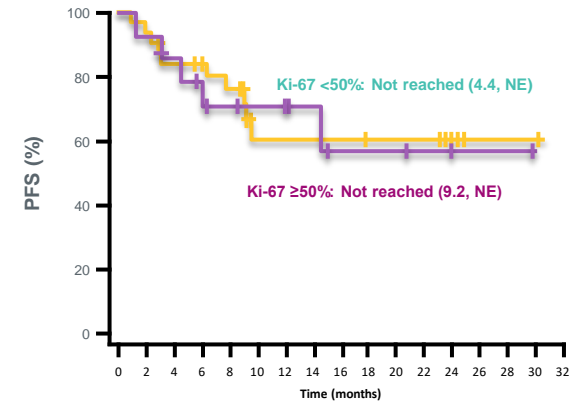
Patients at risk

Classic	35	30	24	22	18	13	12	11	9	8	8	7	3	2	2	1	0
Blastoid	14	14	9	8	7	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
Other	11	10	10	8	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0



Patients at risk

Mutation undetected	30	29	24	22	20	12	12	12	11	10	10	9	4	2	2	1	0
Mutation detected	6	6	6	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0



Patients at risk

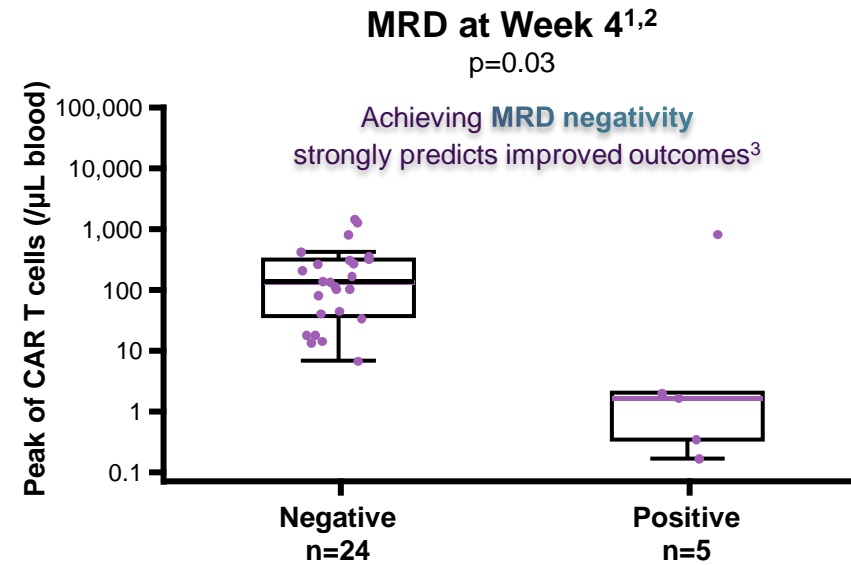
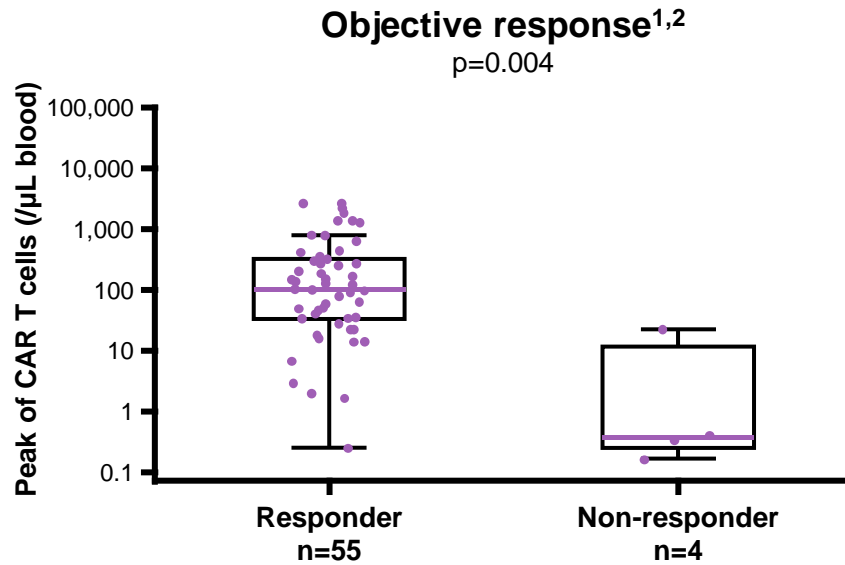
Ki-67 <50%	14	13	12	10	8	7	6	5	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	0
Ki-67 ≥50%	32	30	25	23	20	9	9	9	8	8	8	8	3	1	1	1	0

Blastoid morphology

TP53 mutation

Ki-67 ≥50%

# ZUMA-2: Robust expansion of anti-CD19 CAR T cells in blood was associated with objective response and MRD negativity<sup>a</sup>



Median time to peak anti-CD19 CAR T-cell levels after infusion is **15 days** (range, 8-31)

Impact of bendamustine on T-cell expansion

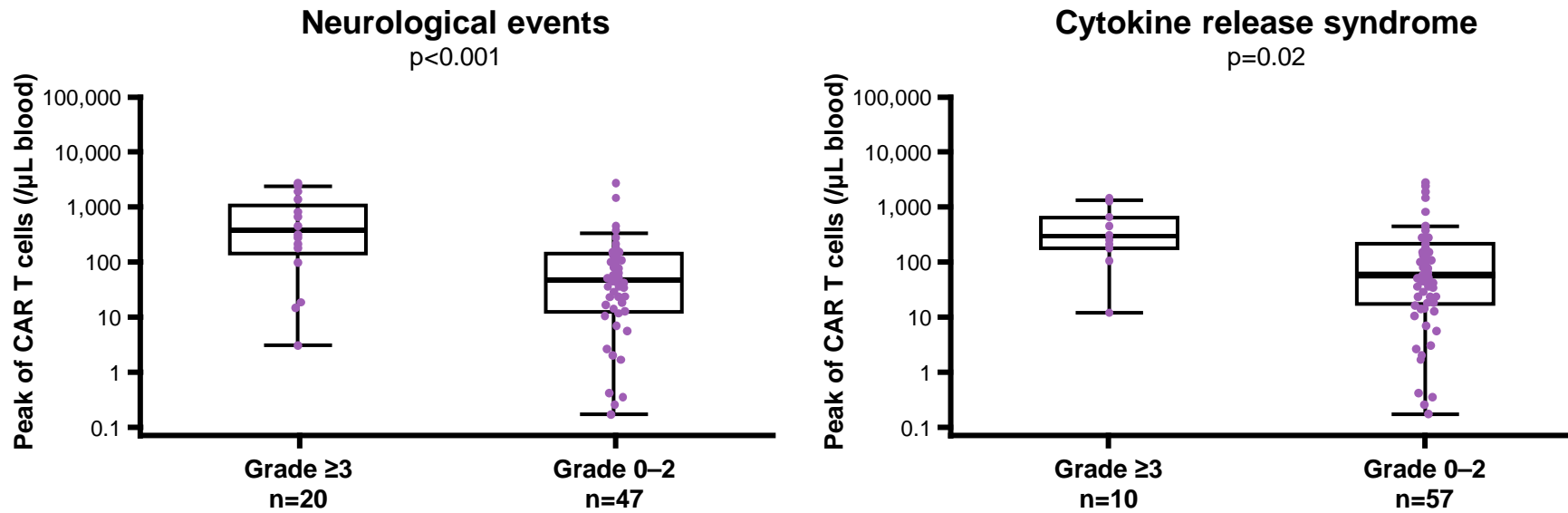
<sup>a</sup>p-values were calculated using the Wilcoxon rank-sum test and were not adjusted for multiplicity

<sup>a</sup>High-sensitivity molecular MRD assessment by NGS

MRD: minimal residual disease; NGS: next-generation sequencing

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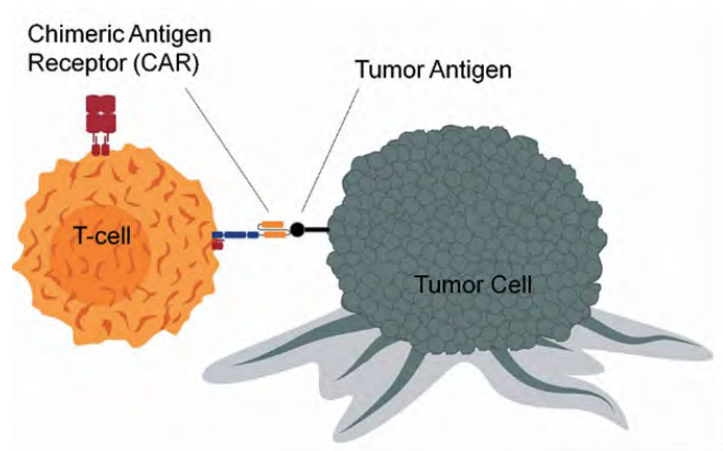
# ZUMA-2: Patients with the most robust expansion were at a higher risk of experiencing Grade $\geq 3$ vs. $\leq 2$ adverse events



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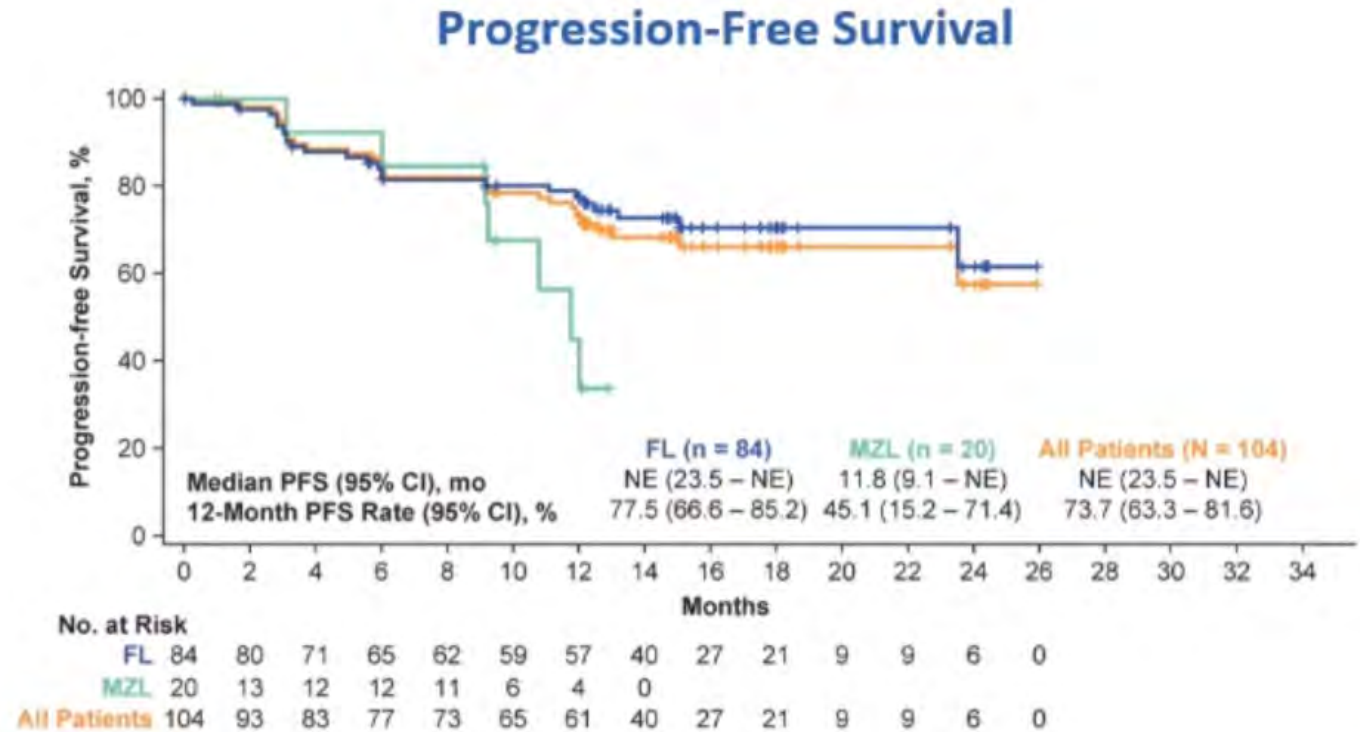
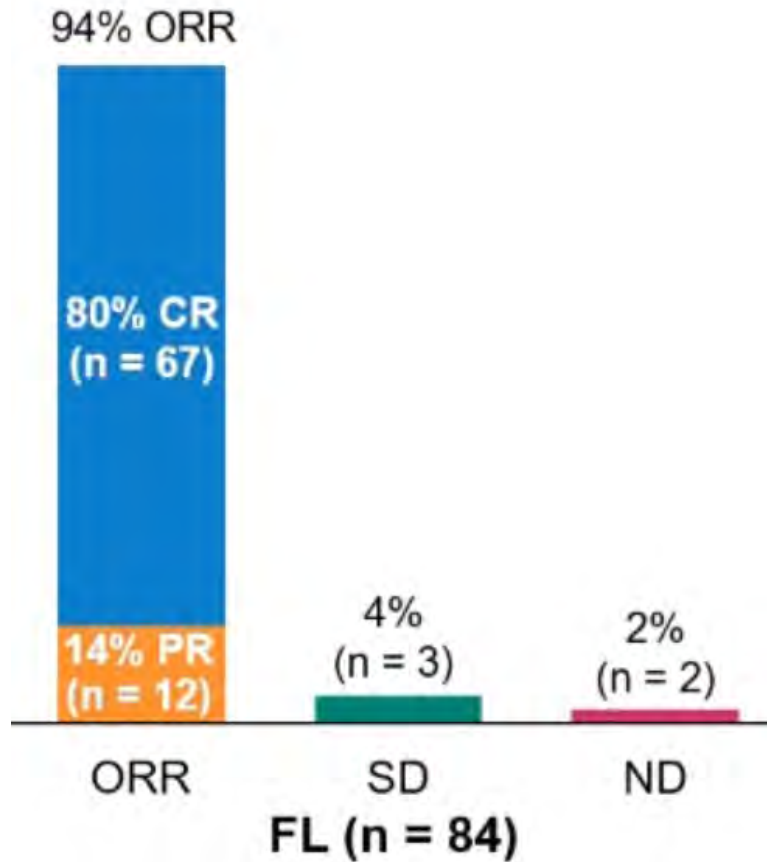
# CAR-T in follicular lymphoma





# Zuma 5: Primary analysis

≥2 line of therapy including anti CD20 and alkyator

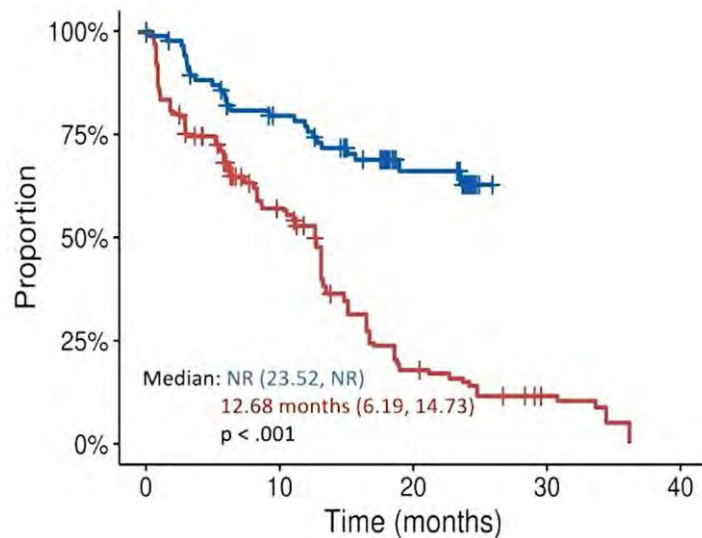


Benefit observed in POD24 patients

# ZUMA-5 / SCHOLAR-5 comparisons

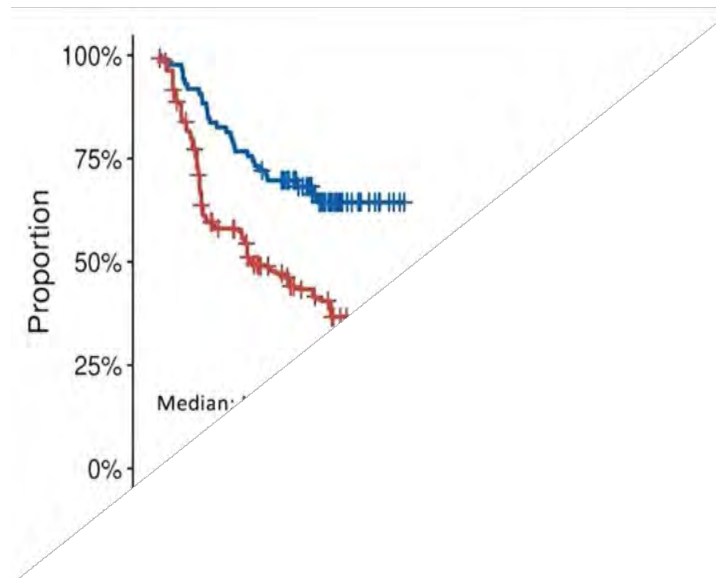
Among patients who failed $\geq 2$ prior lines of therapy (LoT)		SCHOLAR-5	ZUMA-5	Odds Ratio (95% CI)	p-value
Overall response rate	Yes	42 (49.9%)	81 (94.2%)	16.24 (5.63, 46.85)	<0.0001
	No	43 (50.1%)	5 (5.8%)		
Complete response	Yes	25 (29.9%)*	68 (79.1%)**	8.86 (4.3, 18.25)	<0.0001
	No	60 (70.1%)	18 (20.9%)		

Progression Free Survival  
Survival



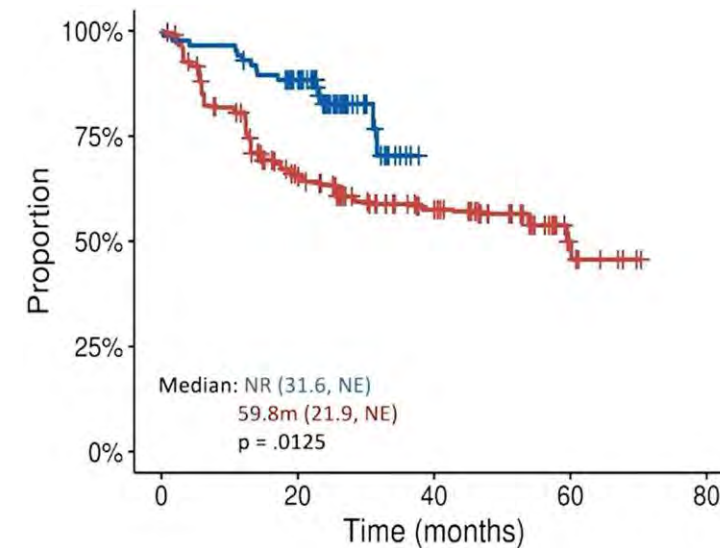
HR: 0.30 (0.12 – 0.48)

Time to Next Treatment



HR: 0.42 (0.16 – 0.58)

Overall



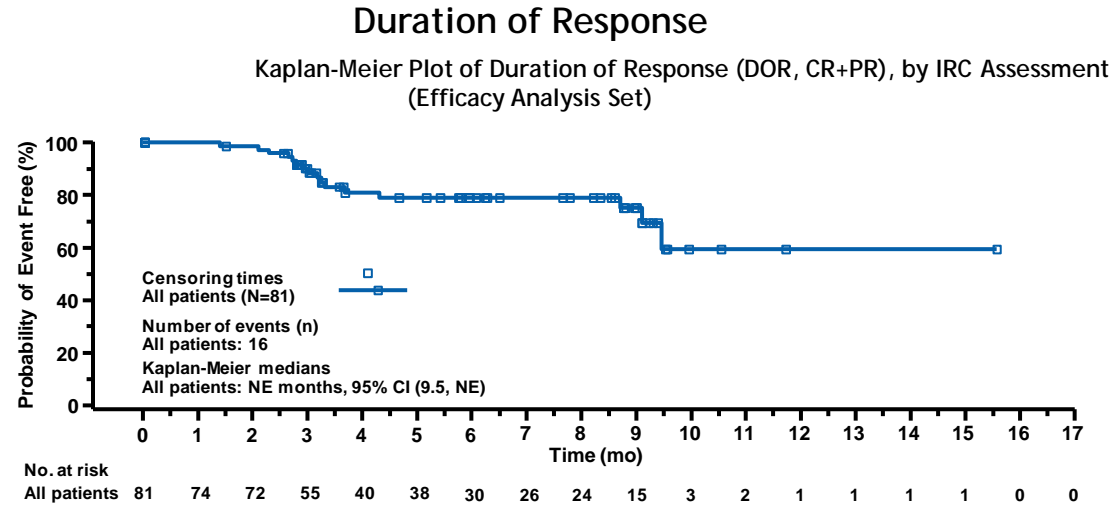
HR: 0.42 (0.21 – 0.63)

# ELARA Trial

## Response

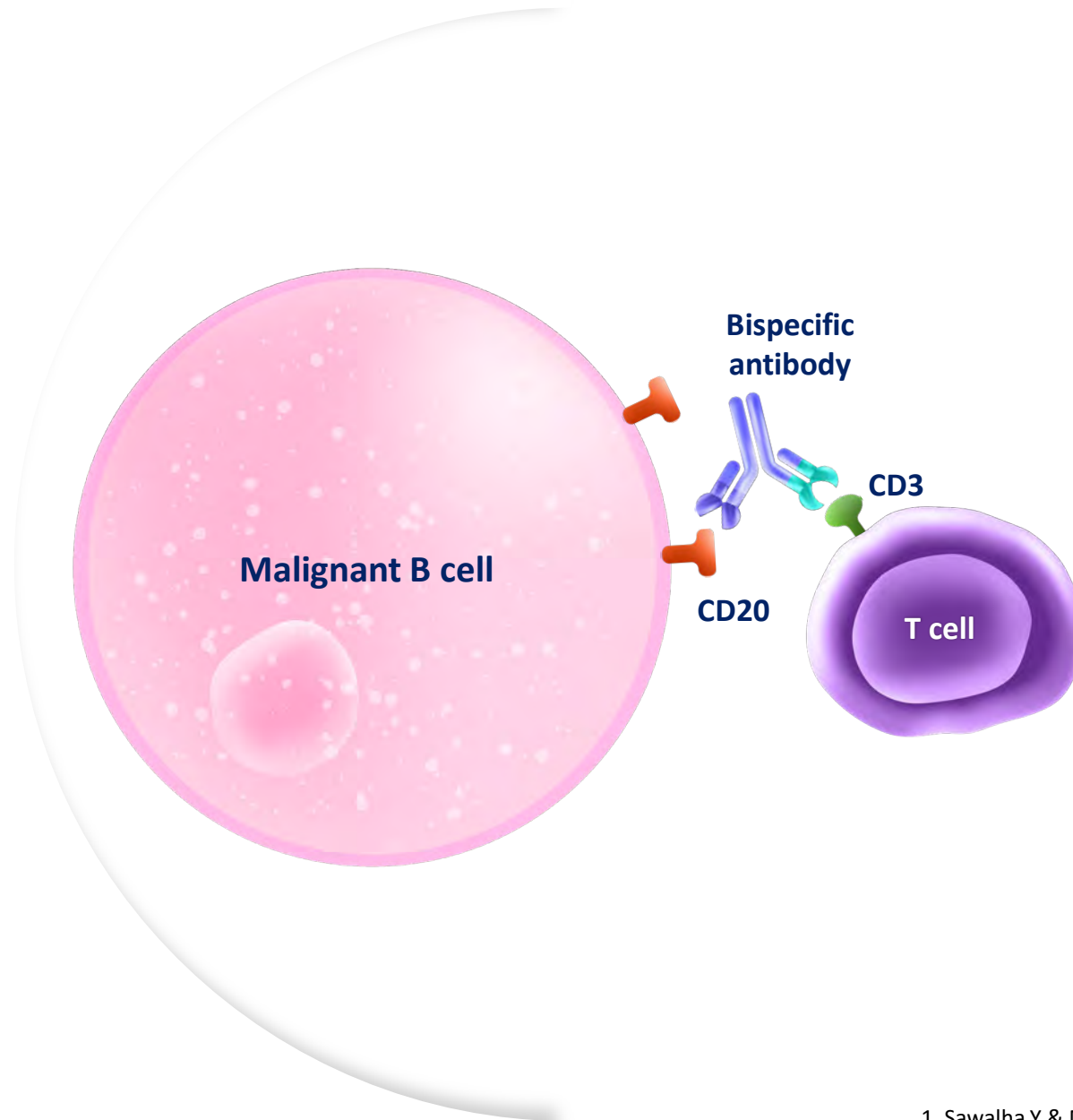
### Best Overall Response Rate

Response Rate, %	Patients Evaluable for Efficacy <sup>b</sup> (n=94)
CR	66.0 <sup>b</sup>
PR	20.2
ORR (CR+PR)	86.2



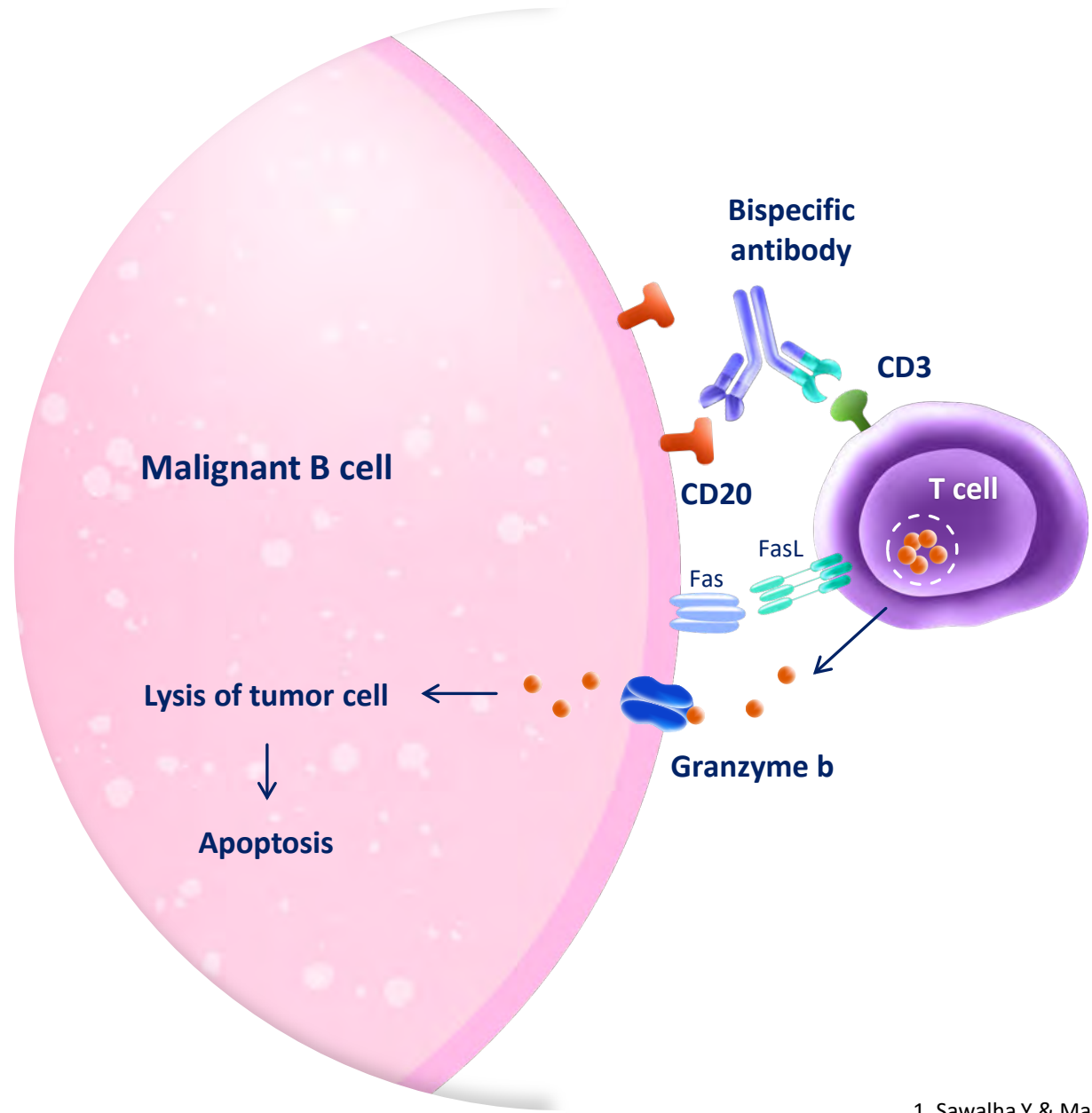
- Median follow-up for efficacy (n=94): 11 (4.3-19.7) months
- Probability for a responding patient to remain in response  $\geq 6$  months was 79% (95% CI, 66-87)
- 12 of 31 PRs (38.7%) converted to CRs; all but 1 occurred between Month 3 and Month 6
- Median time to next antilymphoma treatment was not reached

# Bispecific antibodies



1. Sawalha Y & Maddocks K. *BMJ* 2022; 377:e063439;
2. Frontzek F, et al. *Ther Adv Hematol.* 2022;13:20406207221103321;
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# Bispecific antibodies

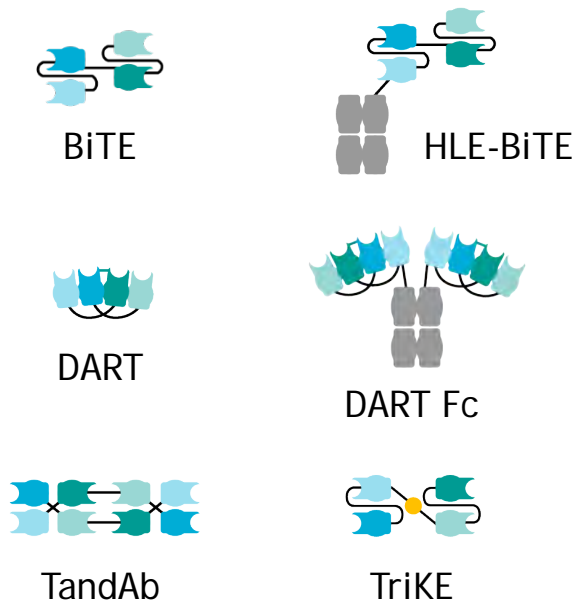


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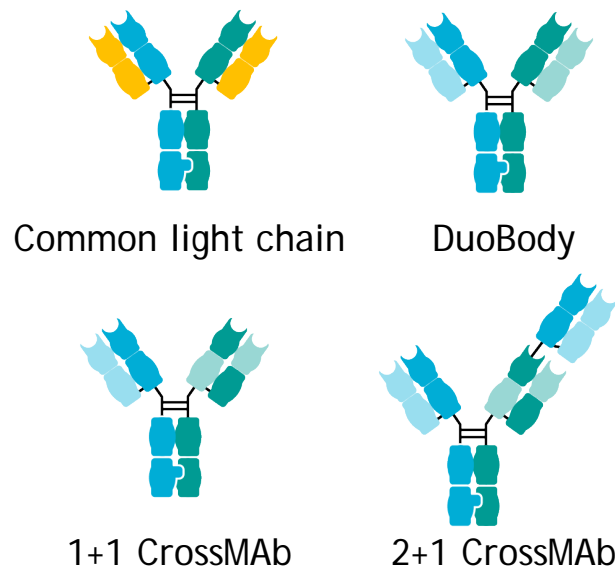
# Bispecific Antibodies (bsAbs)

- bsAbs are single molecules that target multiple antigens
- There are many different formats of bsAbs, including the select examples below
- Characteristics such as size, stability, binding affinity, and PK/PD properties impact their clinical efficacy and safety
- BsAbs with Fc component have extended plasma half-life vs Fab-only constructs

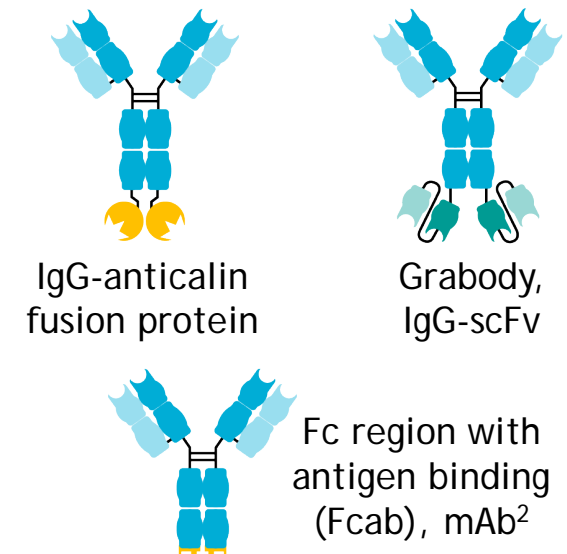
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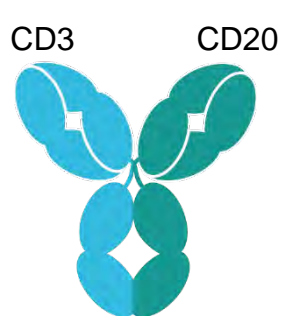
## IgG-based, heterodimeric



## IgG-based, homodimeric

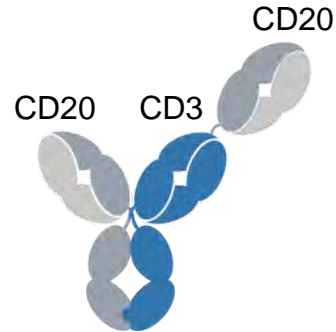


# CD20xCD3 bispecific antibodies of various formats are in early clinical development for NHL<sup>1-3</sup>



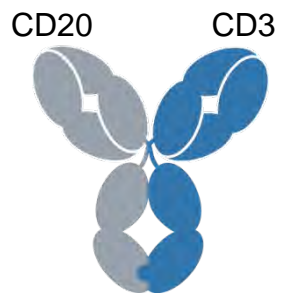
**Epcoritamab**

DuoBody-CD3xCD20  
IgG1



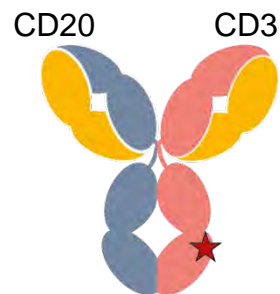
**Glofitamab**

2+1 CrossMab  
IgG1



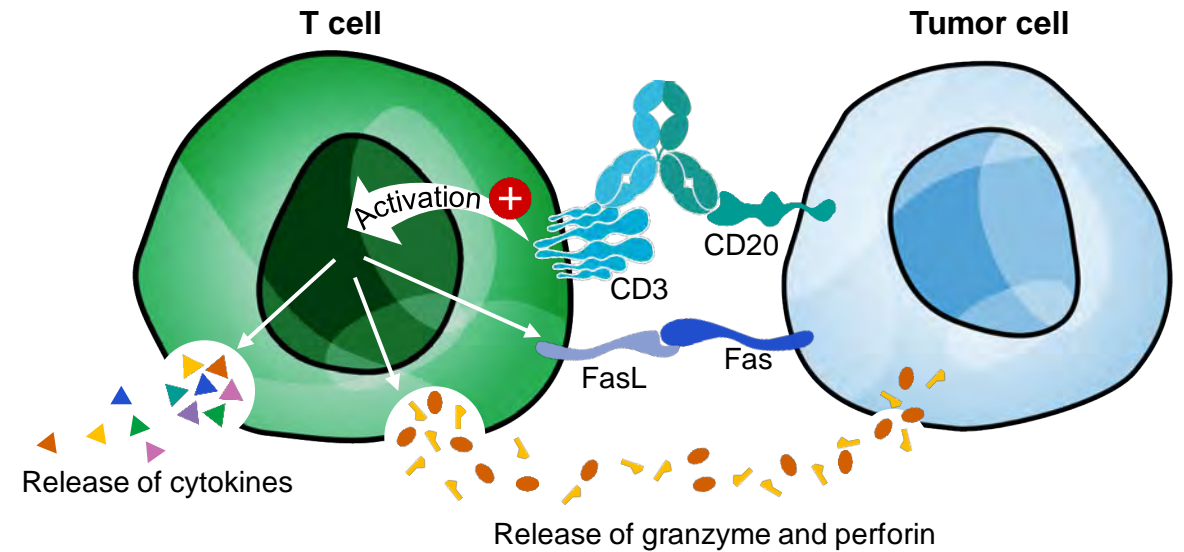
**Mosunetuzumab**

Knob-in-hole  
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**Odronextamab**

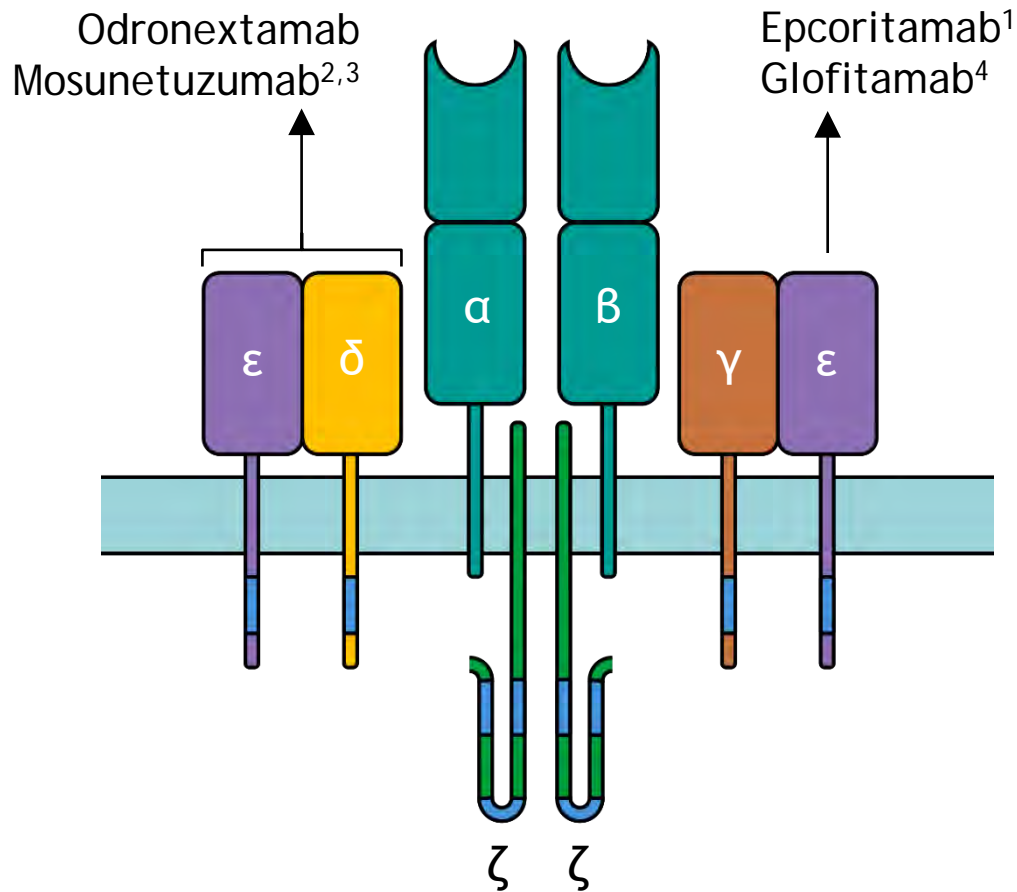
VELOCI-Bi  
IgG4



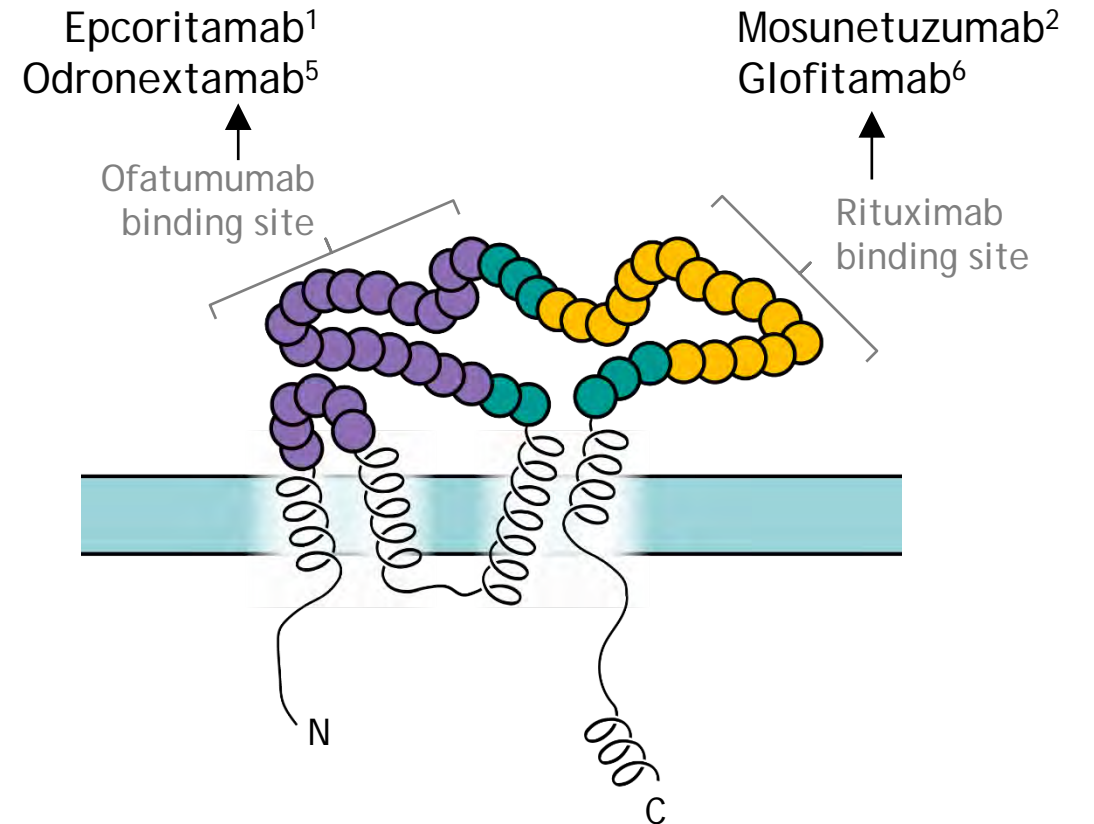
- CD3 xCD20 bsAbs bring together T cells and CD20+ tumor cells to induce T cell-mediated killing of the tumor cell<sup>2</sup>
- Able to induce effector T cell binding without requiring MHC-mediated antigen presentation<sup>2</sup>

# Binding Sites of Select CD3×CD20 bsAbs

## TCR (CD3) Complex



## CD20

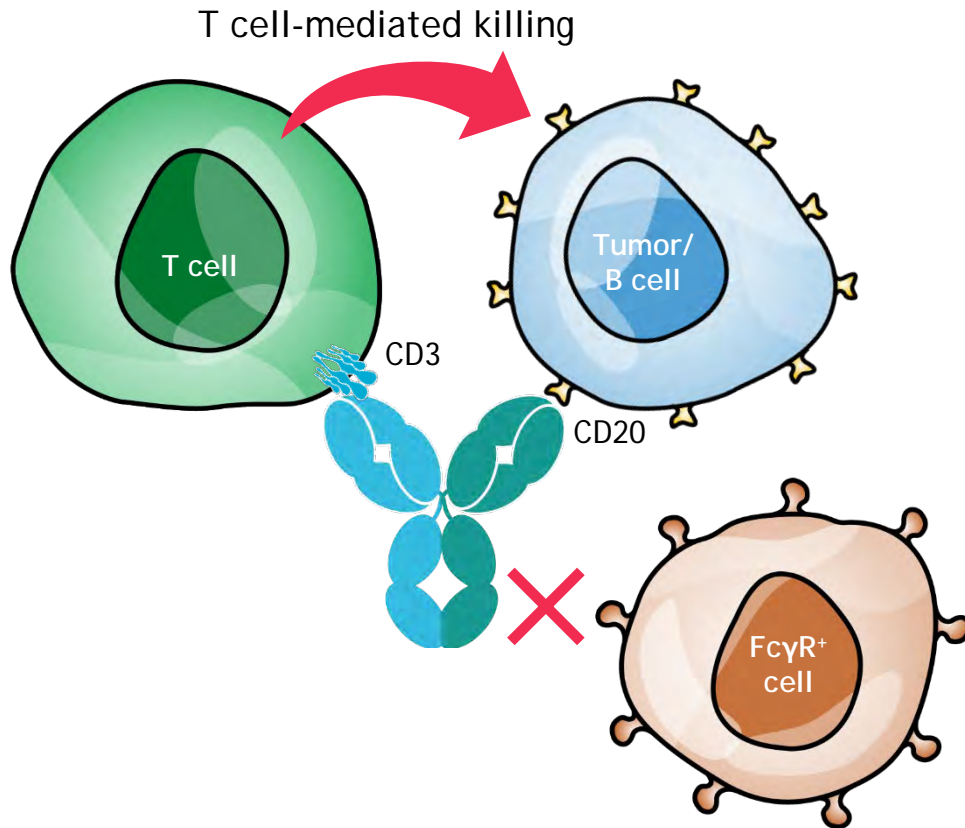


bsAb, bispecific antibody; TCR, T-cell receptor.

1. Engelberts PJ, et al. *EBioMedicine*. 2020;52:102625. 2. Sun LL, et al. *Sci Transl Med*. 2015;7(287):287ra70. 3. Arnett KL, et al. *PNAS*. 2004;101:16268-16273. 4. Bacac M, et al. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2018;24:4785-4797. 5. Smith EJ, inventor; Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc., assignee. US Patent No. 11,072,656 B2. July 27, 2021. 6. Kaplon H, et al. *MAbs*. 2022;14:e2014296.



# Mechanism of Action



## T cell-mediated killing of CD20-expressing cells

- Dependent on simultaneous binding of CD3 and CD20
- Independent of the specificity of the T-cell receptor
- Immunological synapse formed between T and B cells
- Killing through perforin/granzyme B-induced apoptosis

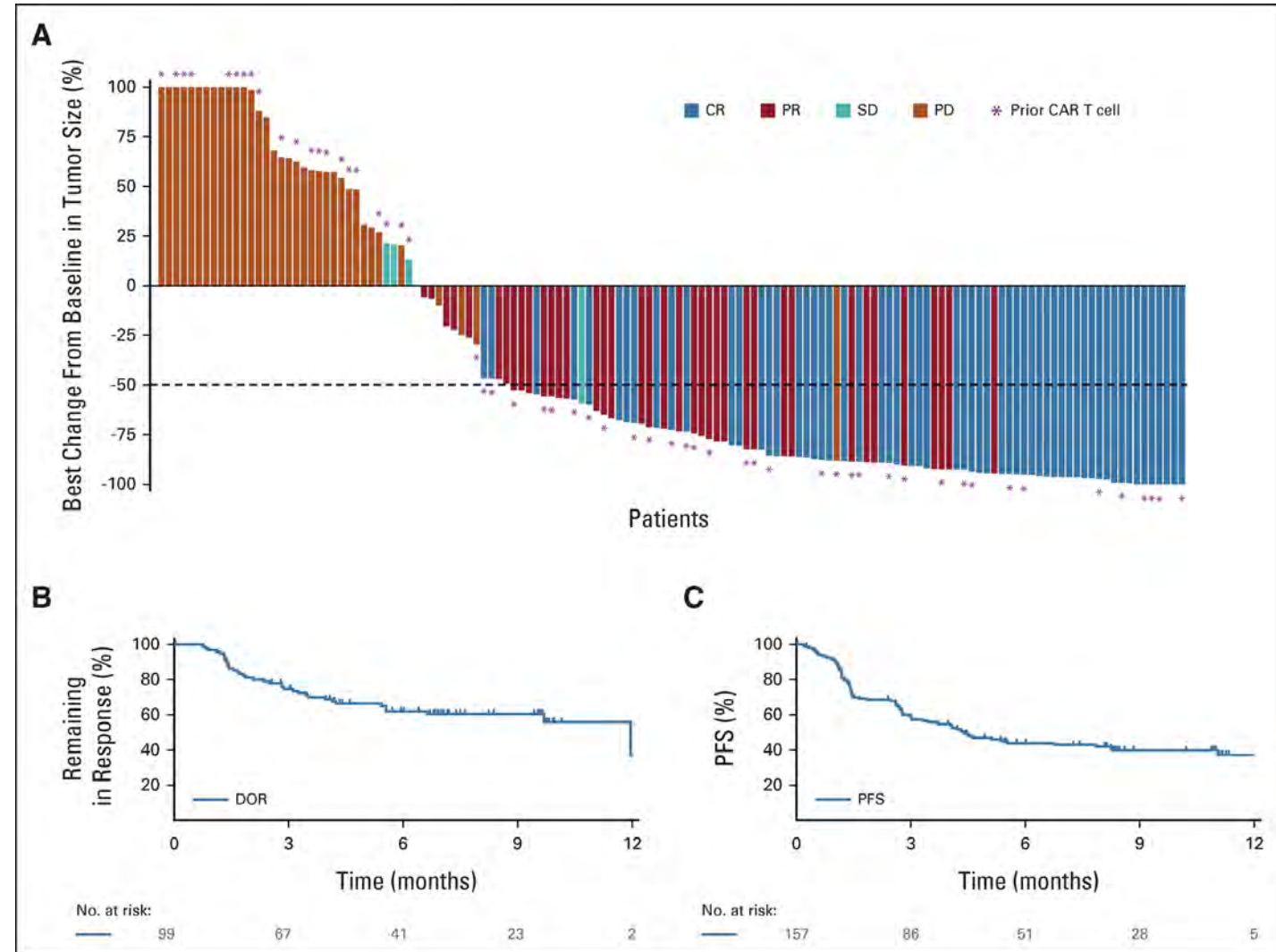
## Has an effector function-silenced Fc Region that ensures target-specific T-cell activation

Point mutations are introduced that ensure:

- no Fcγ receptor binding (no ADCC or ADCP induction)
- no C1q binding (no CDC induction)
- normal FcRn binding (long plasma half-life like a native IgG1 antibody)

# Epcoritamab: responses in relapsed/refractory DLBCL

- 157 patients  $\geq 2$  lines of therapy
- 61 prior CAR-T therapy
- 0.16  $\rightarrow$  0.8  $\rightarrow$  48mg SC
- Overall response rate 63% (55.0 to 70.6)
- CR 39% (31.2 to 46.9).
- Median duration of response 12.0 months
- 50% CRS, 2.5% grade 3



155 patients  $\geq$  2 lines of therapy

52 prior CAR-T therapy

Obinutuzumab pre-dose

Glofitamab 2.5  $\rightarrow$  10  $\rightarrow$  30 mg IV

Up to 12 doses (median 5 given)

39% CR rate 52% ORR (35% among CAR-T group)

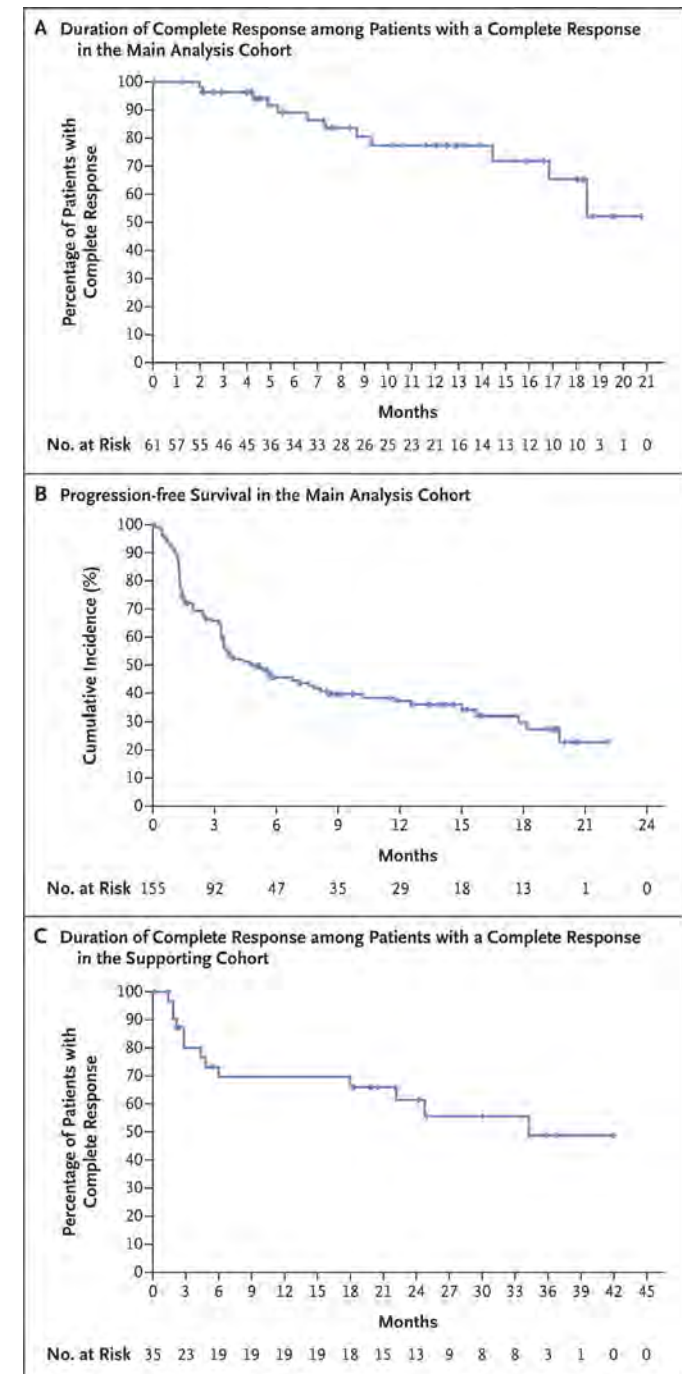
CRS in 63%,  $\geq$  grade 3 in 4%

Median follow-up: 12.6 months (range, 0.1 to 22.1)

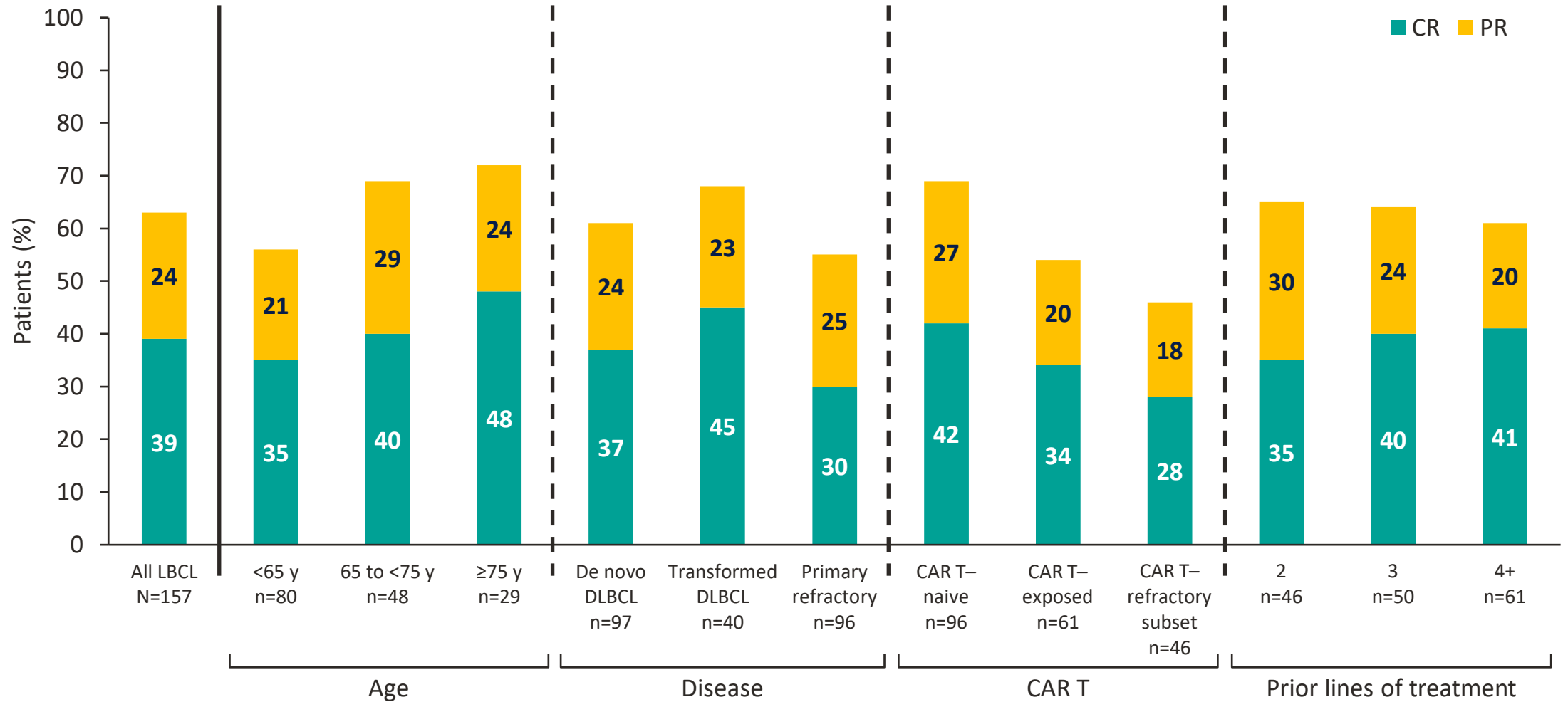
6-month progression-free survival was 46% (95% CI, 37 to 54)

12-month progression-free survival was 37% (95% CI, 28 to 46).

*12-month OS 50% (95% CI, 41 to 58)*



# Subgroup Data (Response Rates)<sup>1</sup>



Based on IRC assessment and Lugano criteria. CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor therapy; CR, complete response; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; IRC, independent review committee; LBCL, large B-cell lymphoma; PR, partial response.  
 1. Thieblemont C et al. 2022. Presented at EHA Congress 2022.

# Delivery

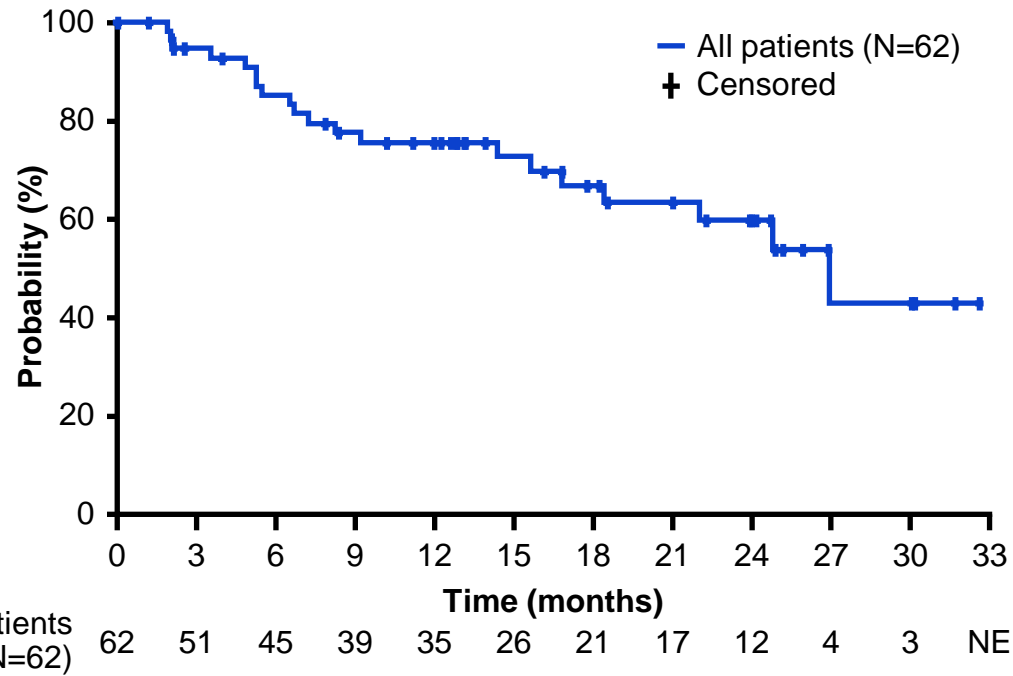
Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	29	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Epcoritamab																														
Glofitamab																														

Week	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
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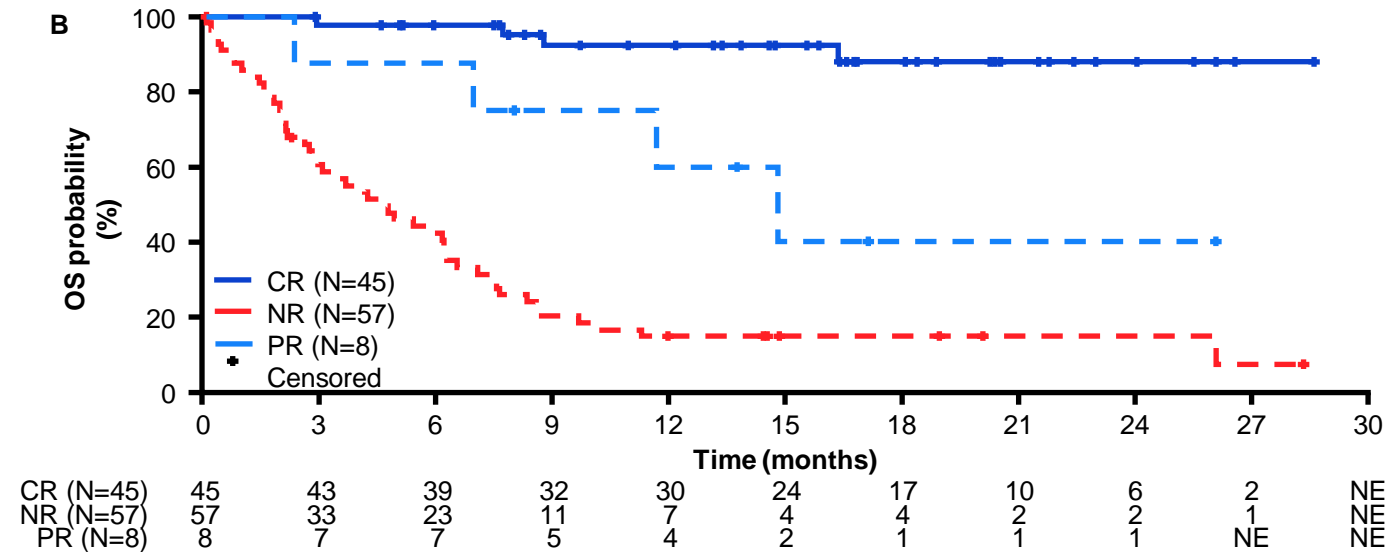
Week	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	68	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
Epcoritamab																														
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# Glofitamab monotherapy continues to demonstrate early/rapid durable response rates in heavily pretreated patients with R/R DLBCL

Duration of complete response by IRC<sup>1</sup>



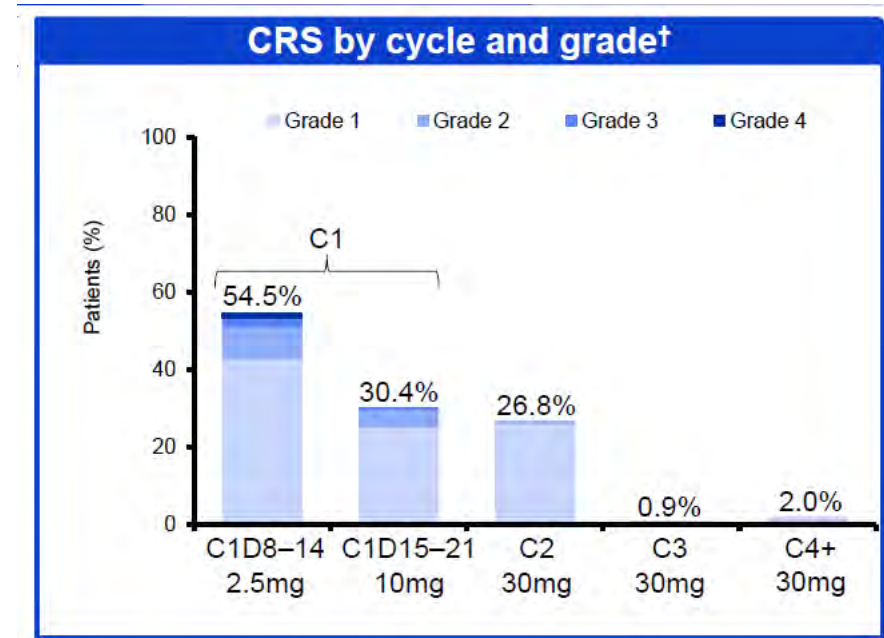
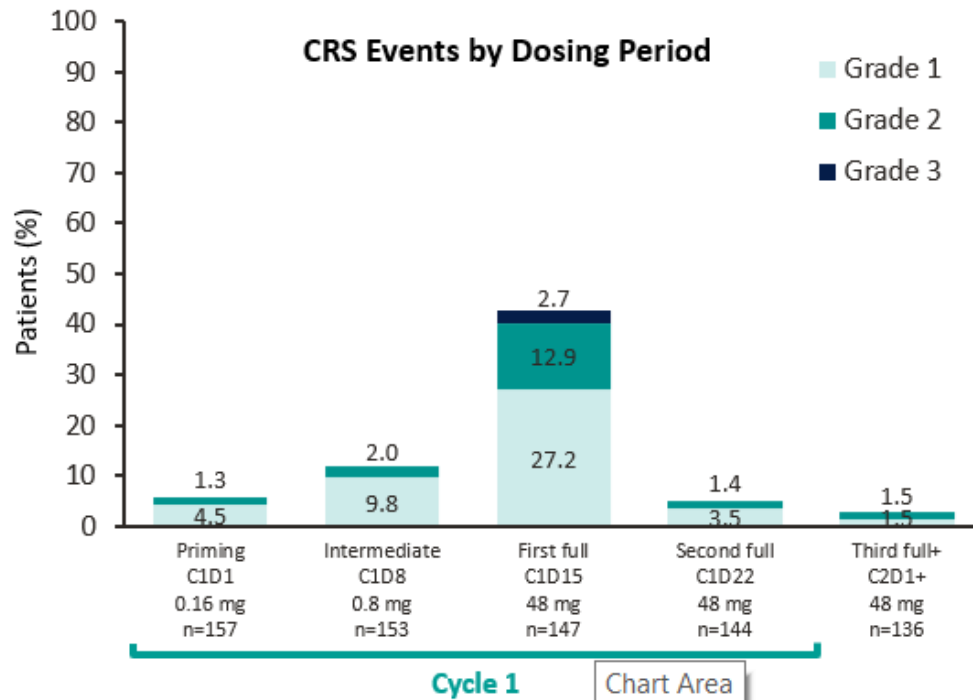
OS landmark analysis by response at EOT



1. Falchi, et al. Presented at ASCO 2023;  
2. Dickinson MJ et al. N Engl J Med 2022;387:2220–31.

Despite step-up dosing, CRS still occurs in 50% of patients receiving bispecifics:

Are we ready to deal with this?



Thieblemont et al. EHA 2022 and JCO 2022

Dickinson et al. EHA 2022 and NEJM 2022

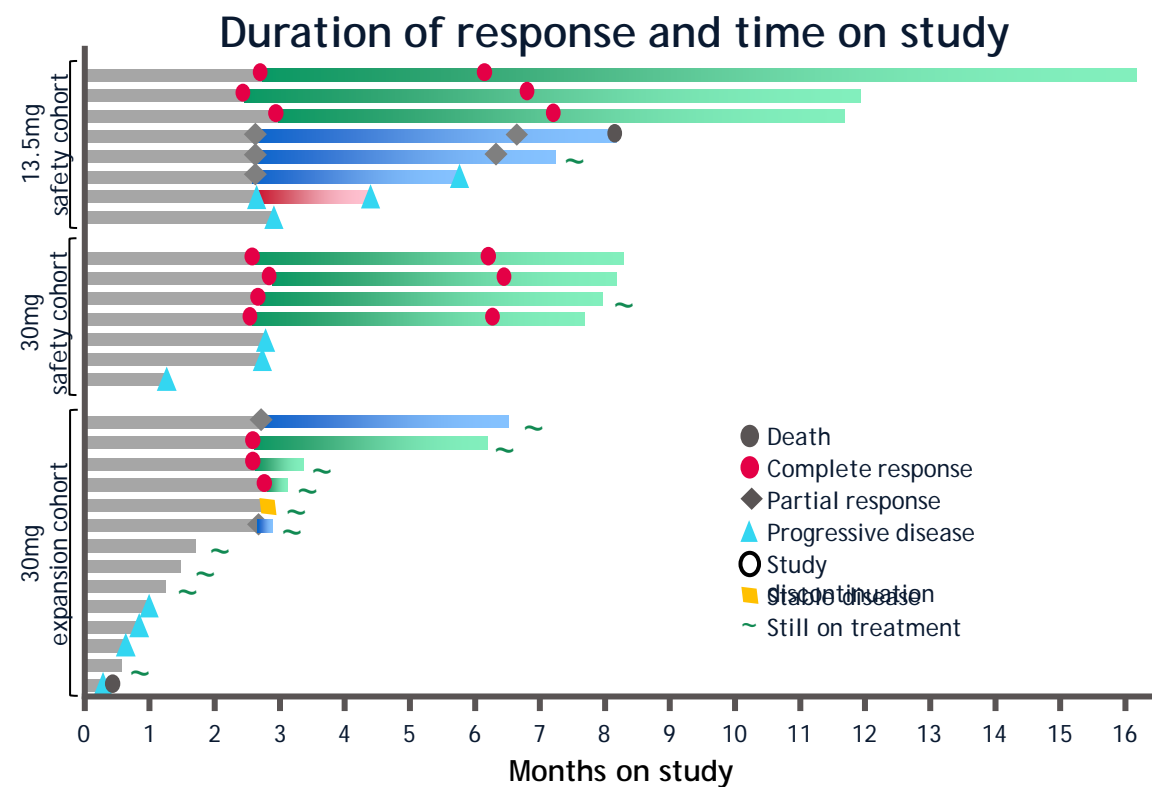
# First line chemo-free: Mosunetuzumab monotherapy in elderly/unfit patients

Summary of AEs, n (%)	1L DLBCL (N=29)
Any AE	25 (86)
Treatment related	17 (59)
Serious AE	8 (28)
Treatment related	4 (14)
Grade 3-4 AE	9 (31)
Treatment related†	4 (14)
Grade 5 (fatal) AE	0
AE leading to treatment discontinuation	0
CRS <sup>2</sup> (any grade)	6 (21)
Grade ≥3	0

**Most CRS events resolved within 1 day**

Response (%)*	All efficacy evaluable patients (n=22)
Best overall response	63.5
Complete response (primary endpoint: PET-CT by INV using Lugano 2014)	45.5
Partial response	18.0

**Early durable complete responses were observed**



GO40554 (NCT03677154)

\*Data presented are from the secondary efficacy population (patients enrolled in the study for ≥3 months); 17 patients have been enrolled in the study for ≥6 months and reached the primary response assessment with ORR=8 (47%); CR=6 (35%); PR=2 (12%); SD=1 (6%), PD=6 (35%), 2 not done/not evaluable.

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2. Lee DW, et al. Biol Blood Marrow Transplant 2019;25:625-38.



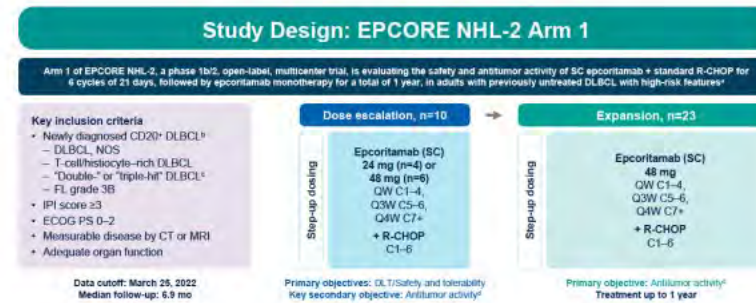
# Bispecific combinations

- Not convincing evidence to suggest that bispecifics will add chemotherapy
- Chemotherapy is lymphodepleting (remember the C in R-CHOP) and does not make sense

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**First-line treatment (Tx) with subcutaneous (SC) epcoritamab (epco) + R-CHOP in patients (pts) with high-risk diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL): phase 1/2 data update**

Lorenzo Falchi, MD,<sup>1\*</sup> Fritz Offner, MD, PhD,<sup>2</sup> David Belada, MD, PhD,<sup>3</sup> Joshua Brody, MD,<sup>4</sup> Kim M. Linton, MChB, PhD,<sup>5</sup> Yasmin Karimi, MD,<sup>6</sup> Raul Cordoba, MD, PhD,<sup>7</sup> Sylvia Sinauwaert, MD, PhD,<sup>8</sup> Aqeel Abbas, MS,<sup>9</sup> Liwei Wang, PhD,<sup>3</sup> Jun Wu, MD, MS,<sup>10</sup> Brian Elliott, MD,<sup>11</sup> Michael Roost Clausen, MD, PhD<sup>11</sup>



## Best Overall Responses

Response, n (%) <sup>a</sup>	Total n=31
Overall response	31 (100)
CMR	24 (77)
PMR	7 (23)
Stable disease	0
Progressive disease	0

Data cutoff: March 25, 2022. <sup>a</sup>Based on modified response-evaluable population, defined as patients with ≥1 target lesion at baseline and ≥1 postbaseline response evaluation and patients who died within 60 d of first dose.

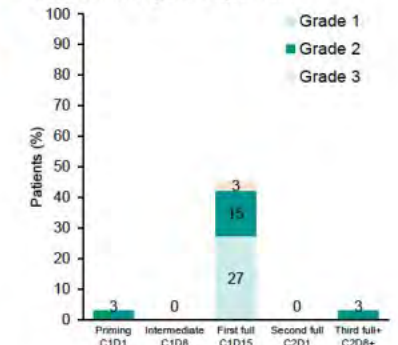
## CRS Graded by Lee et al<sup>9</sup> 2019 Criteria

	Total N=33
CRS, n (%)	17 (52)
Grade 1	9 (27)
Grade 2	7 (21)
Grade 3	1 (3)
CRS resolution, n (%)	17 (100)
Median time to resolution, d (range) <sup>a</sup>	2 (1-11)
CRS leading to treatment discontinuation, n (%)	0
Tocilizumab use, n (%)	5 (15)

Data cutoff: March 25, 2022. <sup>a</sup>Median is Kaplan-Meier estimate based on longest CRS duration in patients with CRS; range is defined by shortest and longest CRS duration.

- CRS was mostly low grade; all cases resolved

## CRS Events by Dosing Period



Data cutoff: March 25, 2022. Priming dose: n=33; intermediate dose: n=33; first full dose: n=33; second full dose: n=32; third full dose and later: n=32.

- CRS occurrence was predictable; most cases occurred following the first full dose with a median time to onset of 2 days (range, 1-4)

## Mosuntezumab: Best overall response: 3L+ FL

B11 exp 3L+ FL (n = 90)	IRF n (%) [95% CI]	INV n (%) [95% CI]	Concordance <sup>1</sup> IRF vs. INV
CR rate	52 (58%) [47%, 68%]	51 (57%) [46%, 67%]	94% (84/89)
ORR	71 (79%) [69%, 87%]	70 (78%) [68%, 86%]	97% (86/89)

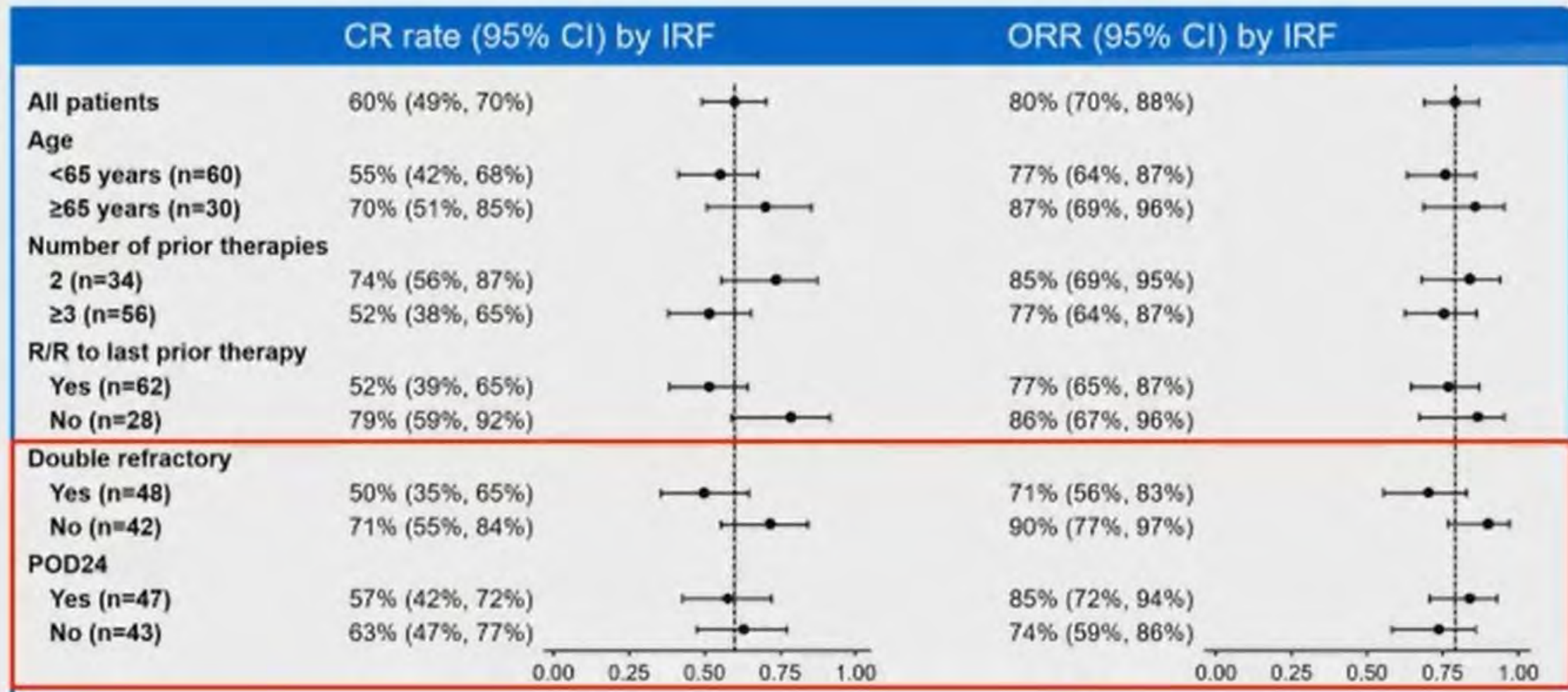
Efficacy in high-risk FL subgroups	Double refractory (n = 48)	POD24 <sup>2</sup> (n = 47)
CR rate	48% [33%, 63%]	55% [40%, 70%]
ORR	69% [54%, 81%]	83% [69%, 92%]

<sup>1</sup>Concordance excluded one patient without any post-screening response assessments

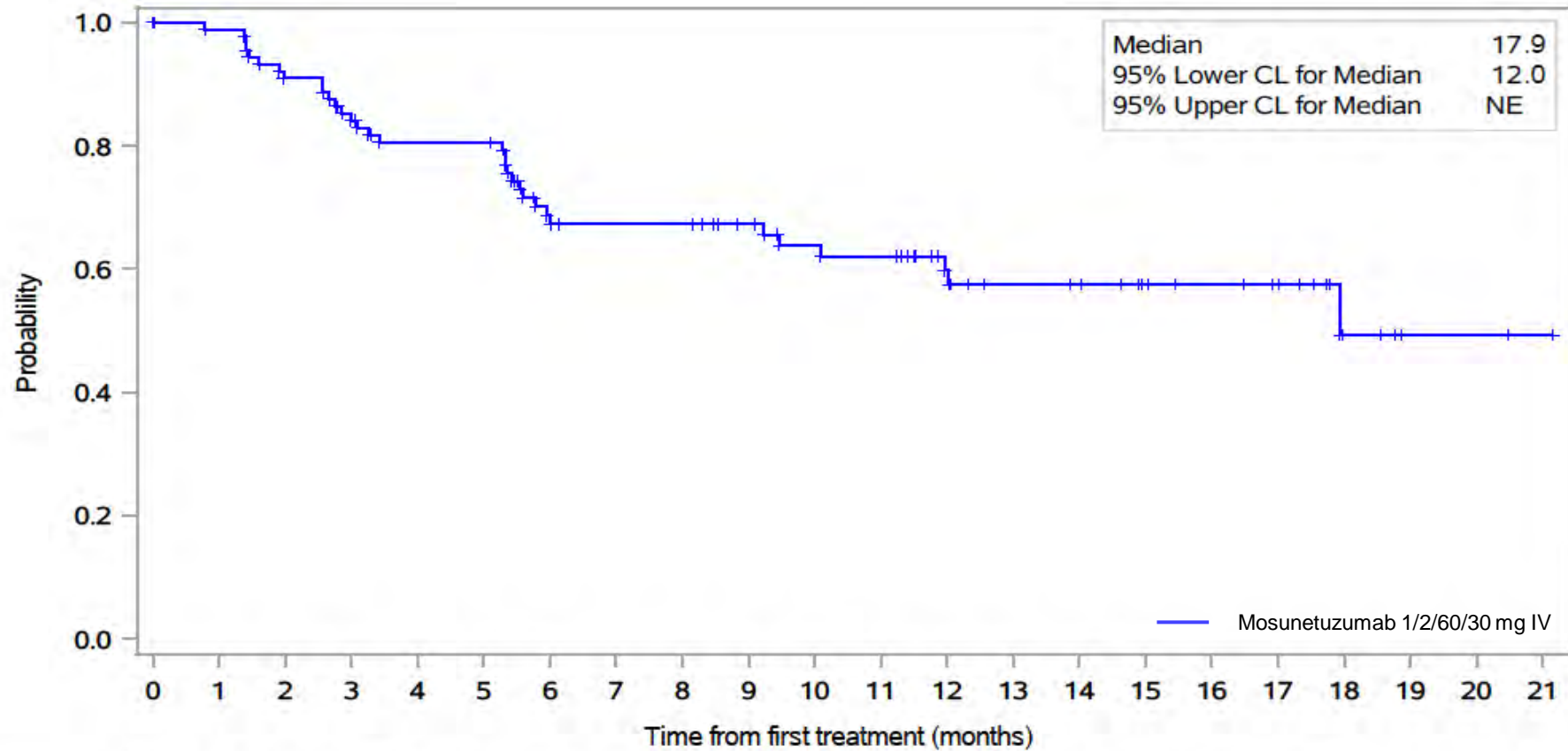
<sup>2</sup>PD within 24 months from start of first systemic therapy



# Comparable response rates in high-risk subgroups



# PFS by IRF: 3L+ FL



Patients Remaining at Risk	90	87	80	73	66	66	48	46	46	41	36	35	26	21	20	16	14	12	5	2	2	1
Patients Censored	0	2	2	3	7	7	16	17	17	22	25	25	33	37	38	42	44	46	52	55	55	56
Patients with an Event	0	1	8	14	17	17	26	27	27	27	29	30	31	32	32	32	32	32	33	33	33	33

IRF, independent-review facility; PFS, progression free survival

# Subcutaneous Epcoritamab in Combination with Rituximab + Lenalidomide (R2) for First-Line Treatment of Follicular Lymphoma: Initial Results from Phase 1/2 Trial

Lorenzo Falchi ASH 2022

- Median age was 57 y (range, 39-78)
- Median time from initial diagnosis to first dose of epcoritamab was 12 wk (range, 2-352)
- The majority (85%) had grade 2 or 3A FL
- 39% and 51% had stage III and IV disease

## Study Design: EPCORE NHL-2, Arm 6

A phase 1/2, open-label trial evaluating the safety and antitumor activity of epcoritamab + R2 in adults with previously untreated FL.

### Key inclusion criteria

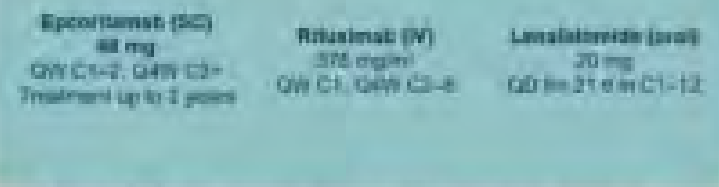
- Previously untreated CD20+ FL – Grade 1, 2, or 3A
- Need for treatment based on symptoms or disease burden, as determined by GELF criteria\*
- ECOG PS 0-2
- Measurable disease by CT or MRD
- Adequate organ function

Data cutoff: September 16, 2022

Median follow-up, mo (range): 8.1 (1.4+ to 18.7)

### Expansion, N=41

Step-up dosing



- Primary objective: Antitumor activity (ORR)† and safety/tolerability
- Key secondary endpoints: DOR

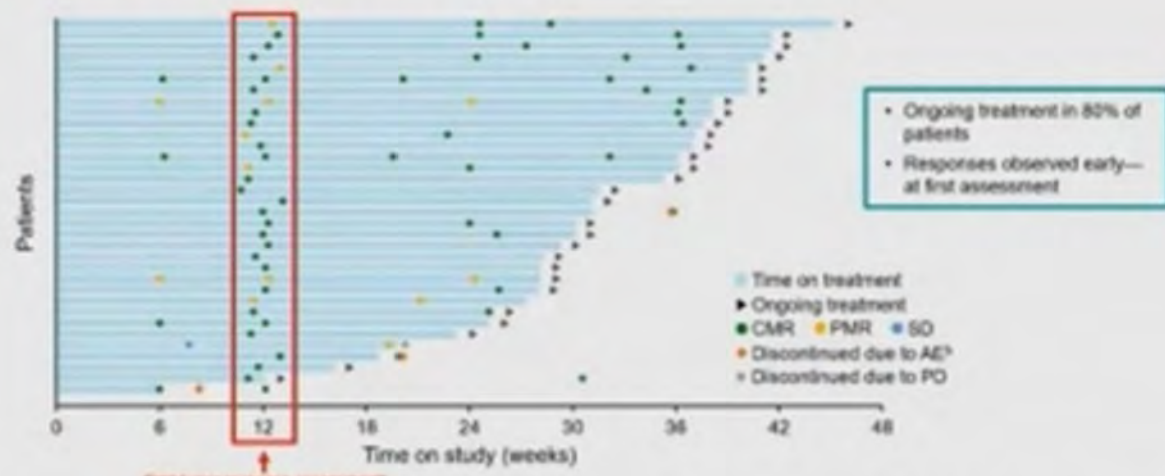
Epcoritamab was administered in 28-d cycles as shown. These patients (out of 41) had previously received 36 and 48 mg epcoritamab + 48 to 60 mg rituximab + 20 mg lenalidomide orally in C1-2, C3-8, and C9-12. \*Median is Kaplan-Meier estimate. †Overall response was evaluated by PET-CT (cycles 1-2) and MRD, and then (Q4W, relative to the first study day), until disease progression. ‡ ECOG PS, grade 1-2 (from 18/17/15 to 10/7/4), grade 3 (from 1/0/0 to 1/0/0). ††† Falchi L, et al. 2022; ASH 2022.

## High Rates of Overall and Complete Metabolic Response

Best Overall Response <sup>a</sup>	Total Efficacy Evaluable n=36
Overall response	94%
CMR	86%
PMR	8%
Progressive disease	3%

Median follow-up, mo (range): 8.1 (1.4+ to 18.7). <sup>a</sup>Based on modified response-evaluable population, defined as patients with ≥1 target lesion at baseline and ≥1 postbaseline response evaluation and patients who died within 90 d of first dose. One patient died within 90 d of first dose without assessment (COVID-19).

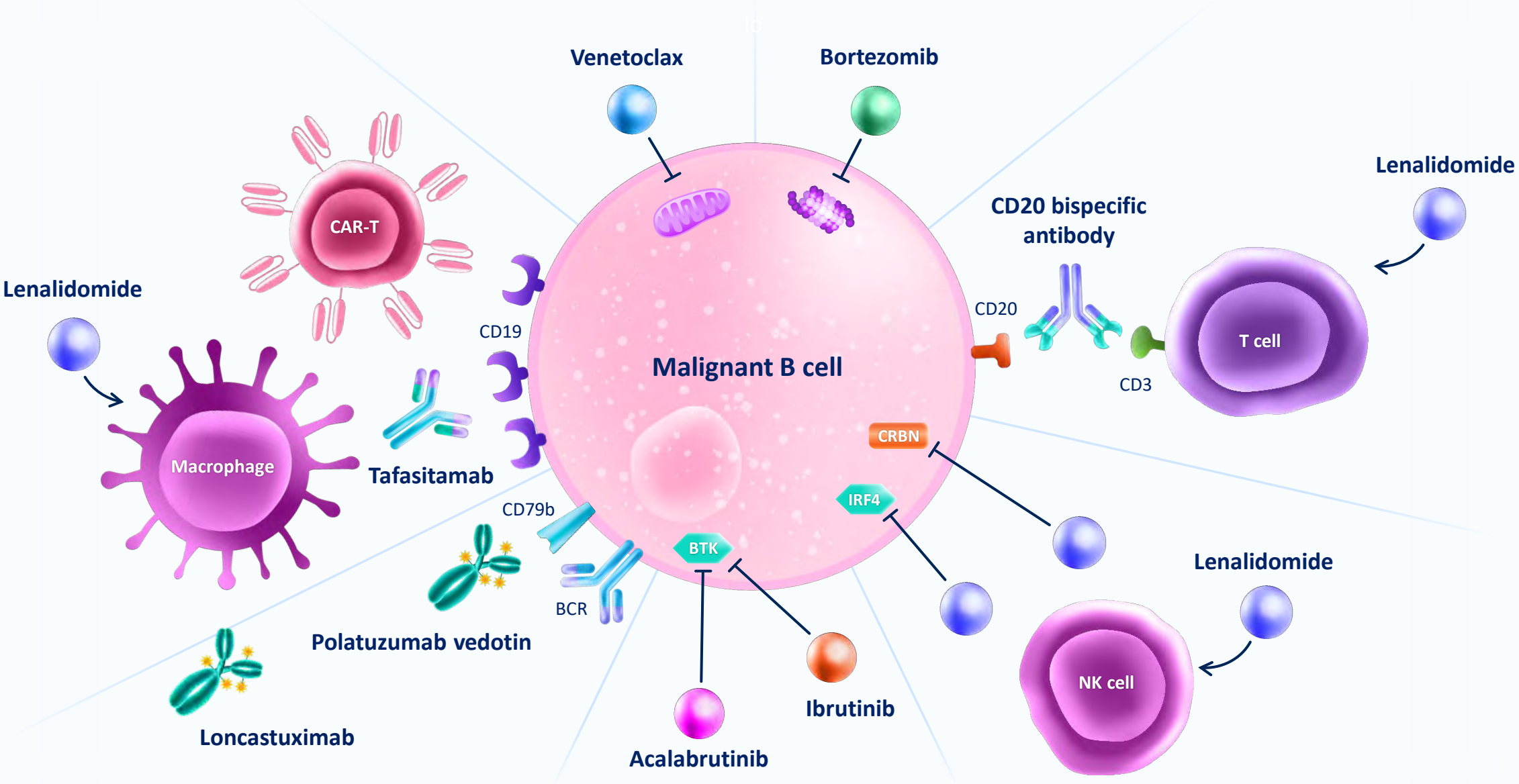
## Depth and Duration of Response



- Ongoing treatment in 80% of patients
- Responses observed early—at first assessment

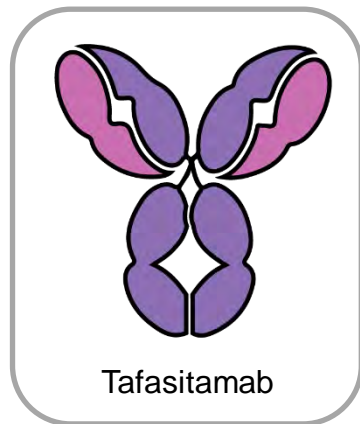
Median follow-up, mo (range): 8.1 (1.4+ to 18.7). <sup>a</sup>The earliest patients continued to receive score 2 if they discontinued treatment for reasons other than PD. <sup>b</sup>Most patients had first assessment at week 12, per protocol, some were assessed at week 6 based on investigator's decision. <sup>c</sup>Two patients discontinued treatment due to COVID-19, 1 discontinued treatment due to pneumonia.

# Therapeutic targets in DLBCL

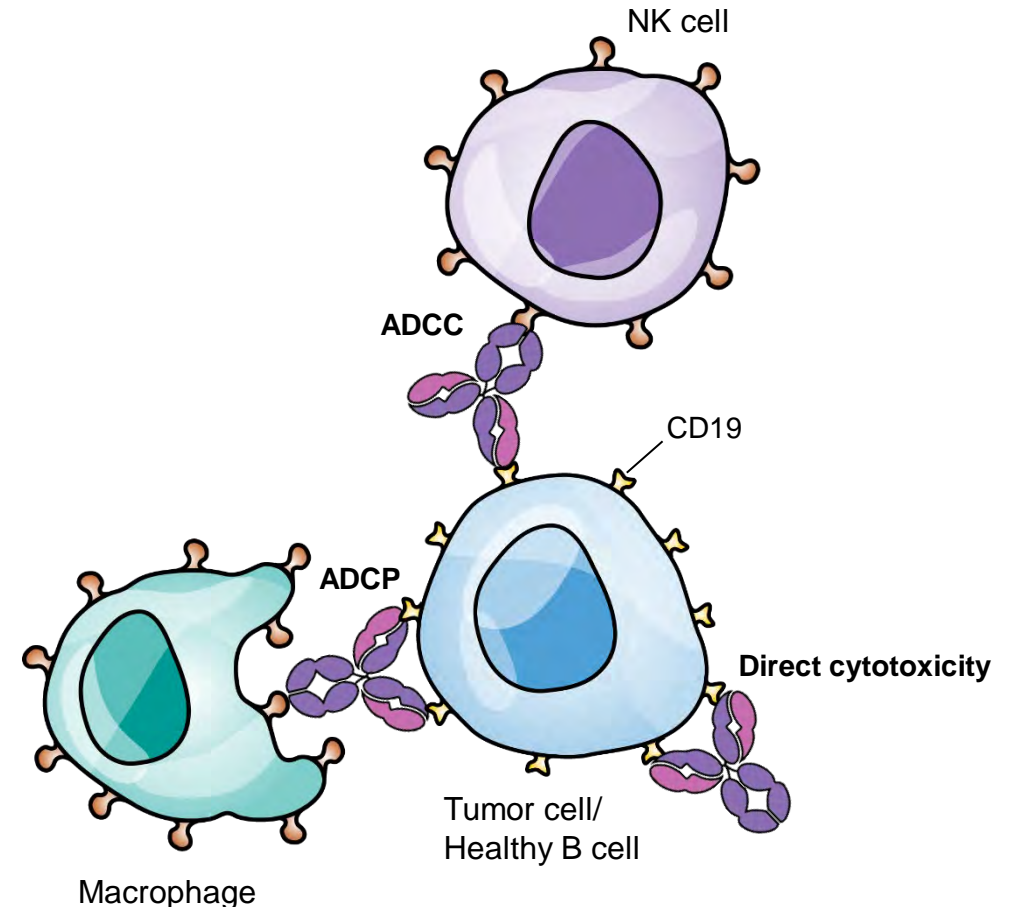


# Tafasitamab

- Tafasitamab is an Fc-enhanced monoclonal antibody that targets the CD19 antigen expressed on the surface of B lymphocytes<sup>1</sup>
- Upon binding to CD19, tafasitamab mediates B-cell lysis through<sup>1</sup>:
  - Engagement of immune effector cells such as natural killer cells and phagocytes
  - Direct induction of cell death (apoptosis)
- The Fc modification results in enhanced ADCC and ADCP<sup>1,2</sup>
- In vitro, tafasitamab + lenalidomide increased ADCC activity compared with either agent alone<sup>2</sup>



## Mechanism of Action<sup>2</sup>





# L-MIND Phase 2 Trial

## Tafasitamab + Lenalidomide in R/R DLBCL

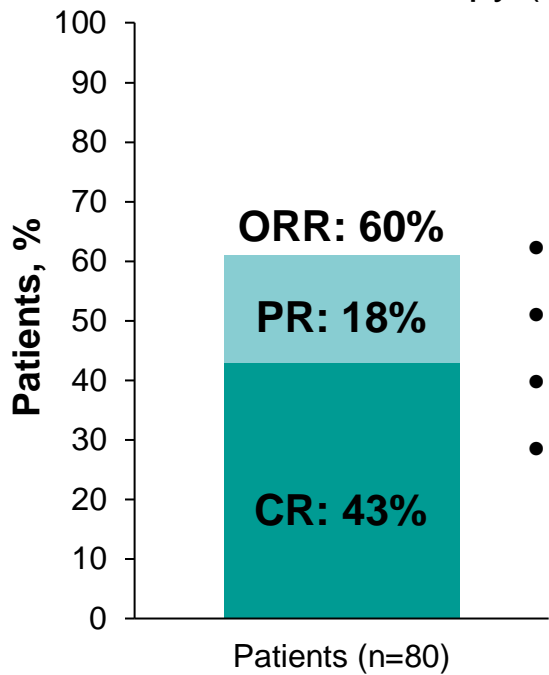
### Eligibility

- Aged ≥18 years
- R/R DLBCL
- 1-3 prior regimens including anti-CD20
- Not primary refractory
- Ineligible for HDCT-ASCT



**Tafa 12 mg/kg IV**  
 C1: D1, 4, 8, 15, 22  
 C2-3: D1, 8, 15, 22  
 C4+: D1, 15 until progression  
 + Len PO 25 mg D1-21 for up to  
 12 cycles  
 28-day cycles

- Prior CD19-directed therapy (eg, CAR T) not permitted



- Median DOR: 21.7 mo
- 12-month DOR: 72%
- Median PFS: 12.1 mo
- Median OS: NR

### Most Common TEAEs (>20% Any Grade or >5% Grade ≥3)

Patients, %	Patients (N=81)	
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3-4
Neutropenia	1	48
Rash <sup>a</sup>	27	9
Anemia	27	7
Diarrhea	32	1
Thrombocytopenia	14	17
Asthenia	21	2
Cough	21	1
Peripheral edema	22	0
Pyrexia	20	1
Hypokalemia	12	6
Leukopenia	6	9
Febrile neutropenia	0	12
Pneumonia	1	6

Median follow-up 13.2 months.

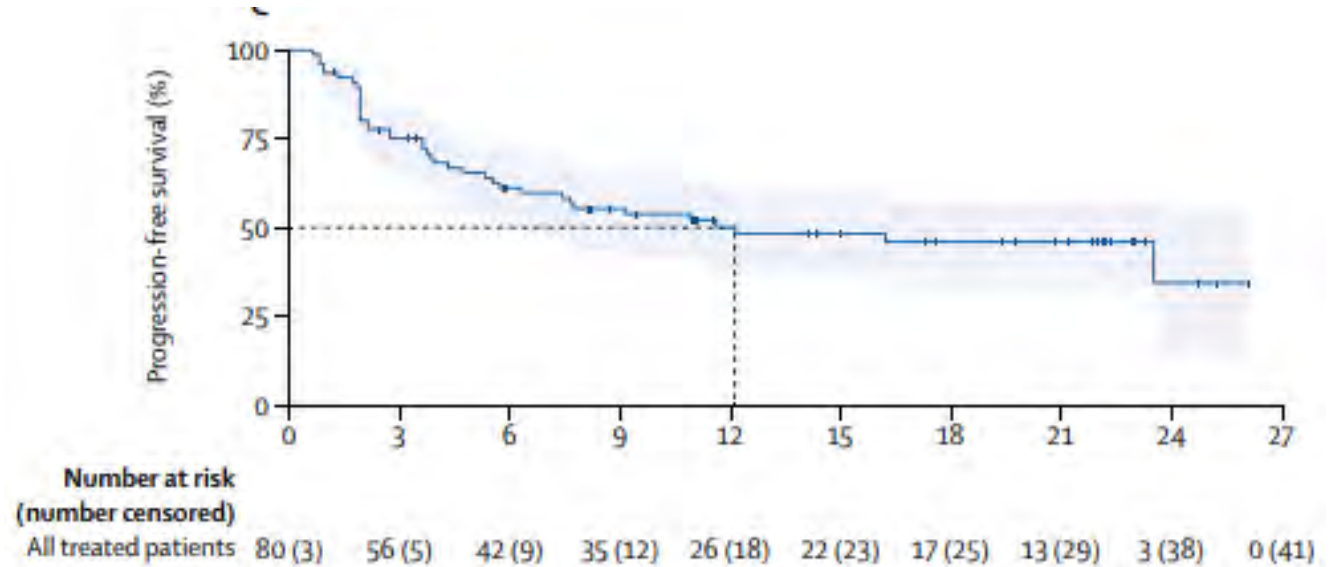
<sup>a</sup>Defined by customized Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities query.

ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; C, cycle; CAR T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; HDCT, high-dose chemotherapy; IV, intravenous; Len, lenalidomide; NR, not reached; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PO, oral; PR, partial response; R/R, relapsed/refractory; Tafa, Tafasitamab; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

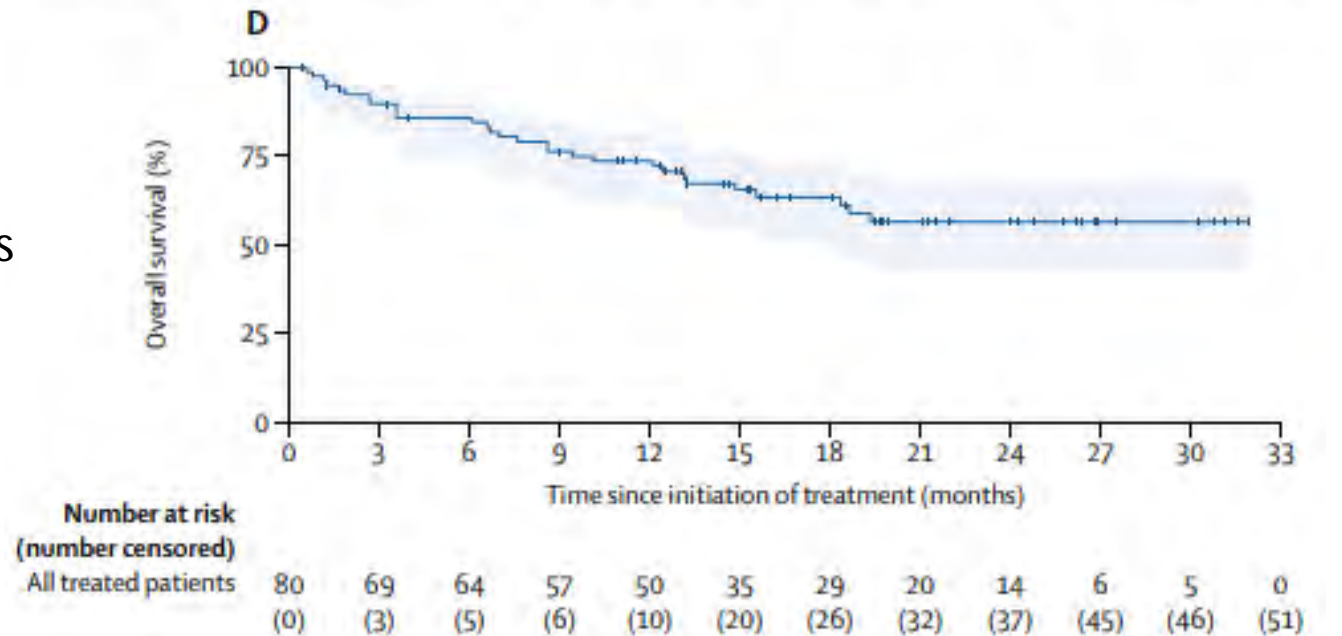
Salles G, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2020;21:978-988.

# Durable benefit seen

Median PFS: 12.1 months (95% CI 5.7 to not reached)



Median OS: median overall survival was not reached (95% CI 18.3 to not reached)



# Real World data

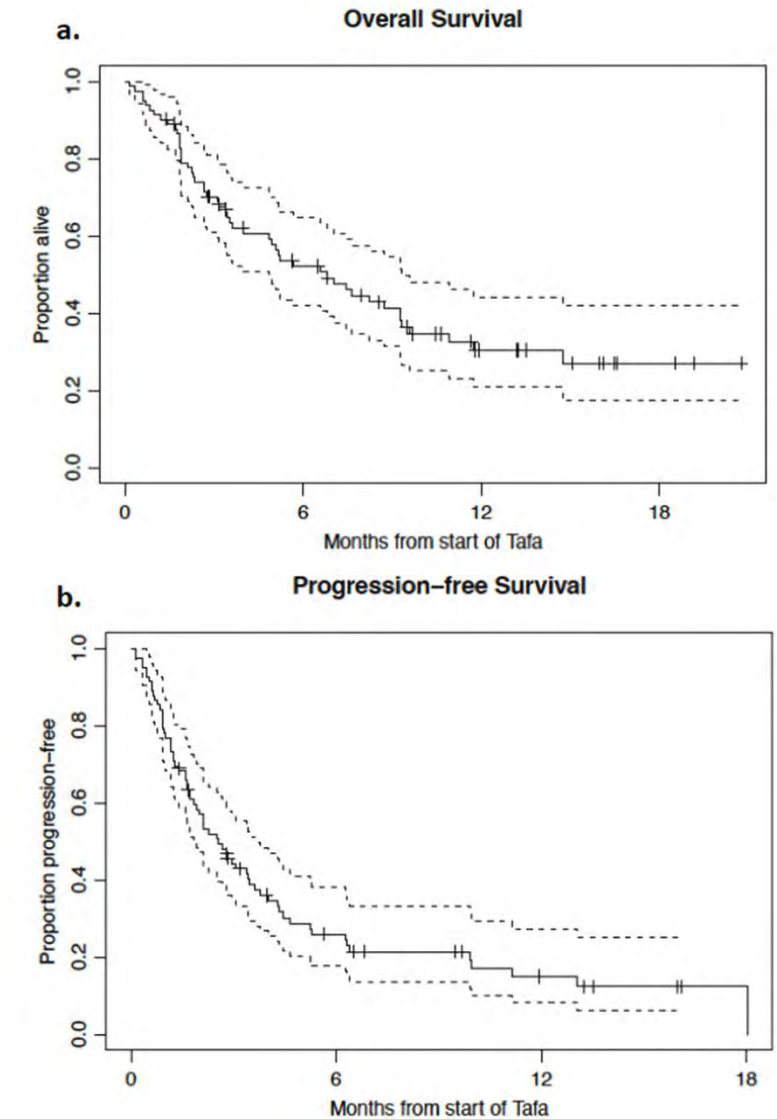
**Table 1.** Patient characteristics from the real-world retrospective study (right) and the L-MIND clinical trial (left) for comparison.

Characteristic	L-MIND	Real World
Number of patients	80	82
Female sex	37 (46)	45 (55)
Age (yrs), median (range)	72 (41-86)	77 (44-92)
Race		
White, all ethnicity	72 (89)	76 (93)
White, Hispanic	Unknown	7 (9)
Asian	2 (2)	5 (6)
Other/Unknown	1 (1)	1 (1)
LBCL Subtype		
DLBCL, NOS	71 (89)	45 (55)
Transformed DLBCL	7 (9)	27 (33)
HGBCL with double/triple-hit translocation	2 (2)	8 (10)
Other*	0 (0)	2 (2)
Cell of Origin		
GCB	38 (47)	46 (57)
non-GCB/ABC	21 (26)	35 (43)
Unknown	22 (27)	1 (1)
Risk (IPI)		
0-2	40 (49)	17 (21)
3-5	41 (51)	65 (79)
Ann Arbor Stage		
I-II	20 (25)	6 (7)
III-IV	61 (75)	76 (93)
Prior lines of therapy		
Median (range)	2 (1-4)	2 (0-11)
1	40 (49)	15 (18)
2	35 (43)	24 (29)
3	5 (6)	17 (21)
4	1 (1)	5 (6)
≥5	0 (0)	18 (22)
Primary Refractory	15 (18)	38 (46)
Refractory to last therapy	36 (44)	57 (70)
Prior SCT	9 (11)	12 (15)
Prior CAR T	0	17 (21)
L-MIND eligible	-	7 (9)

Values are represented as number (%) unless otherwise stated.

\*Other histologies: T-cell/Histiocyte-rich B cell lymphoma, primary mediastinal B-cell lymphoma  
 Abbreviations: LBCL, large B cell lymphoma; DLBCL, diffuse large B cell lymphoma; HGBCL, high-grade B cell lymphoma; IPI, international prognostic index; SCT, stem cell transplantation; CAR T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy

**Figure 1.** Kaplan-Meier curves of overall survival (a) and progression-free survival (b) with 95% confidence intervals (dotted lines) for all patients receiving TL off clinical trial.

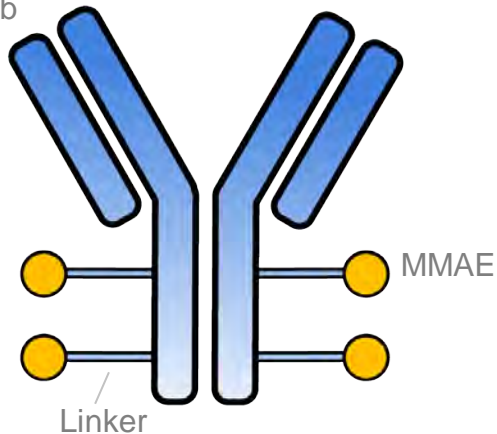


# ADCs: Polatuzumab Vedotin and Loncastuximab Teserine

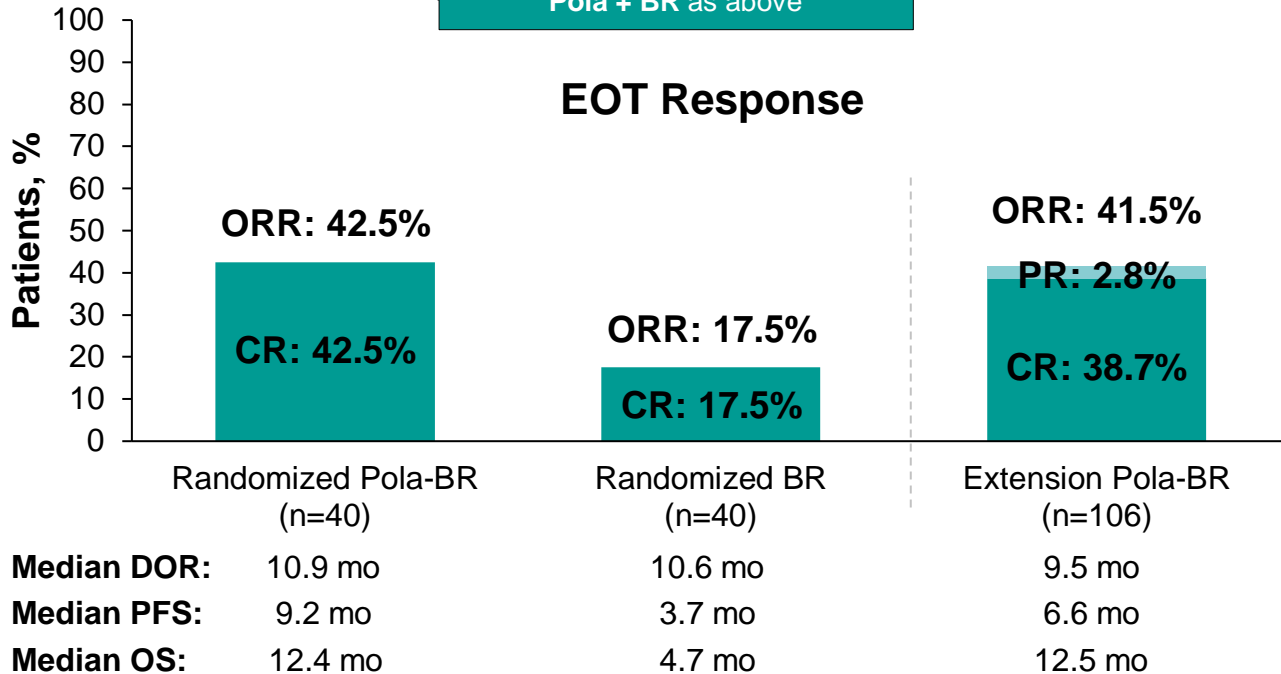
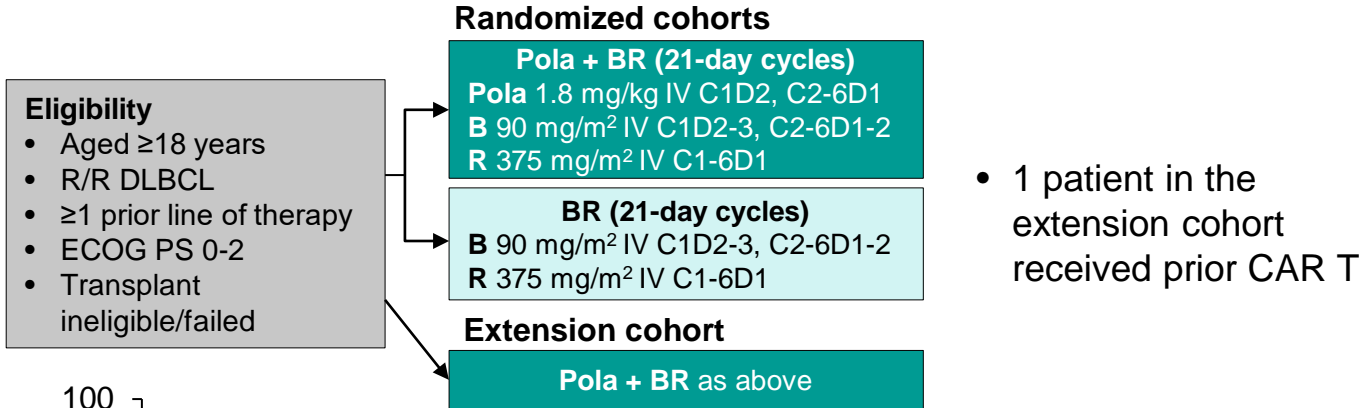
## Polatuzumab Vedotin

- Polatuzumab vedotin is an ADC targeting CD79b, a B-cell receptor component expressed in a majority of malignant lymphomas<sup>1</sup>
- The payload is the anti-mitotic cytotoxic agent MMAE, which is attached via a cleavable linker<sup>1</sup>
  - MMAE binds to microtubules and kills dividing cells by inhibiting division and inducing apoptosis

CD79b-targeting  
humanized mAb



# GO29365 Phase 1/2 Trial Polatuzumab Vedotin + BR in R/R DLBCL



## Most Common AEs (≥20% Any Grade or ≥10% Grade 3-4)

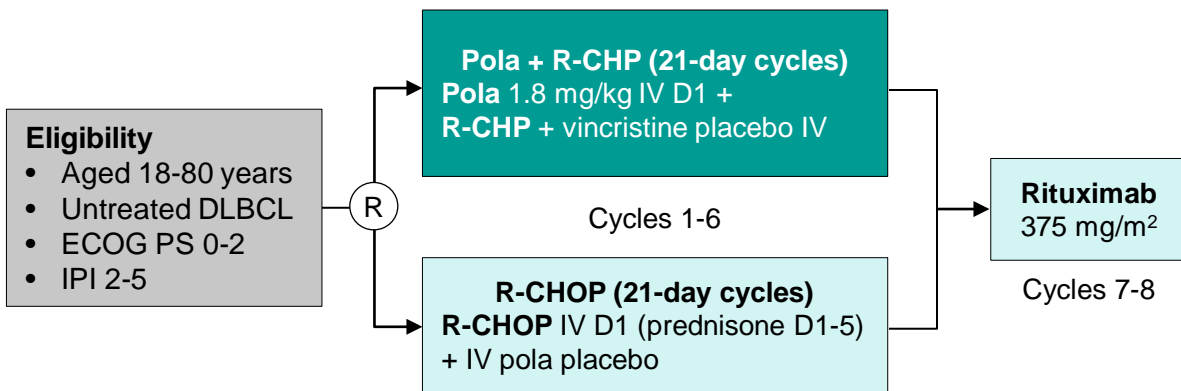
Patients, %	Pooled Pola + BR (N=151)	
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3-4
Infections/infestations	27.2	21.9
Neutropenia	4.6	32.5
Thrombocytopenia	11.9	20.5
Anemia	19.9	12.6
Diarrhea	31.8	4.0
Nausea	32.4	0.7
Pyrexia	27.8	1.3
Fatigue	24.5	2.0
Decreased appetite	23.2	2.6
Peripheral neuropathy	29.1	2.0

Median follow-up: 48.9 mo for randomized pola + BR, 48.3 mo for BR, and 15.2 mo for extension.

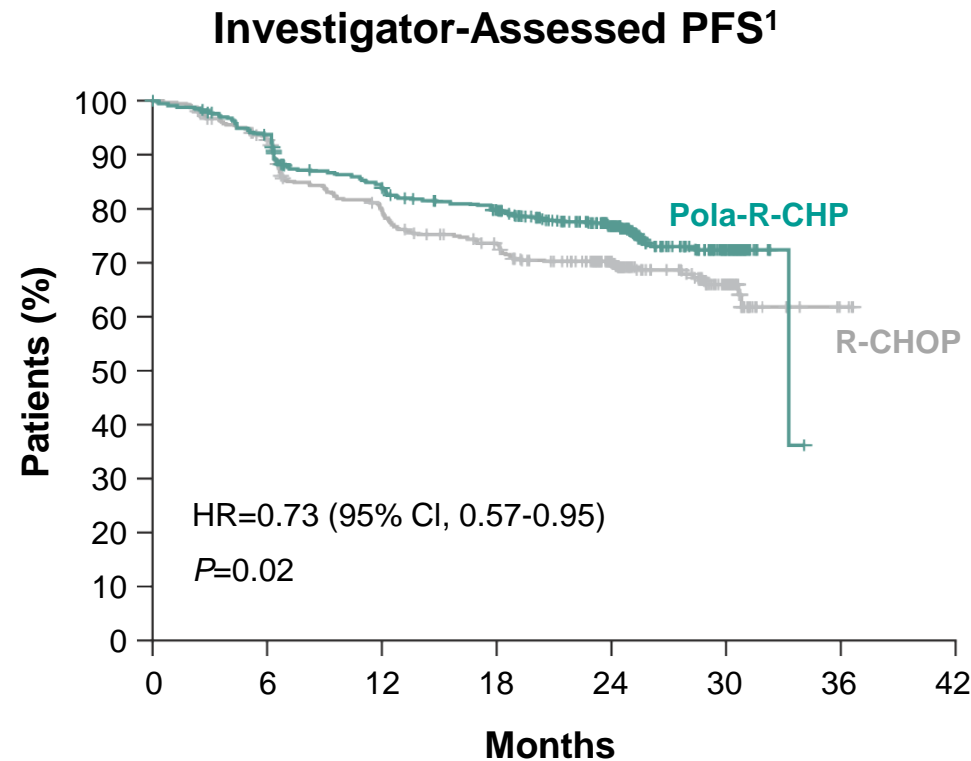
AE, adverse event; B, bendamustine; C, cycle; CAR T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; CR, complete response; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; DOR, duration of response; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; EOT, end of treatment; IV, intravenous; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; Pola, polatuzumab vedotin; PR, partial response; PS, performance status; R, rituximab; R/R, relapsed/refractory. Sehn LH, et al. *Blood Adv.* 2022;6:533-543.

# POLARIX Phase 3 Trial

## Polatuzumab Vedotin + R-CHP in 1L DLBCL



- Pola-R-CHP improved PFS vs R-CHOP for 1L DLBCL<sup>1</sup>
  - OS did not differ significantly between treatment arms (HR=0.94 [95% CI, 0.65-1.37]); *P*=0.75
- There were no unexpected safety findings<sup>1</sup>
- Based on these results, Pola-R-CHP was approved in the EU and FDA for adult patients with previously untreated DLBCL<sup>2</sup>
- Funding approval in a range of territories



**No. at risk:**

Pola-R-CHP	440	404	353	327	246	78	NE	NE
R-CHOP	439	389	330	296	220	78	3	NE

Median follow-up: 28.2 months.

1L, first-line; CHMP, Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; EMA, European Medicines Agency; HR, hazard ratio; IPI international prognostic index; IV, intravenous; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; Pola, polatuzumab vedotin; PS, performance status; R-CH(O)P, rituximab, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, (vincristine), and prednisone; US FDA, United States Food and Drug Administration.

1. Tilly H, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2022;386:351-363. 2. Roche's Polivy combination approved by European Commission for people with previously untreated diffuse large B-cell lymphoma [press release]. May 25, 2022.

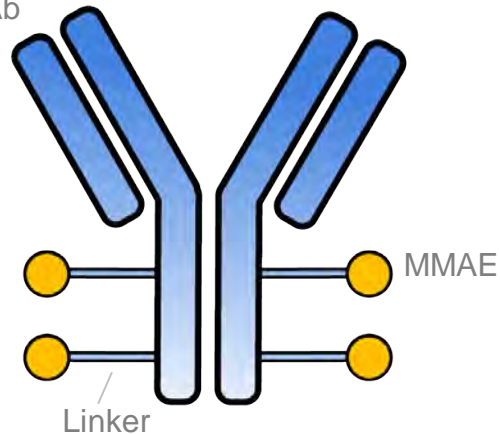
<https://www.roche.com/media/releases/med-cor-2022-05-25b>.

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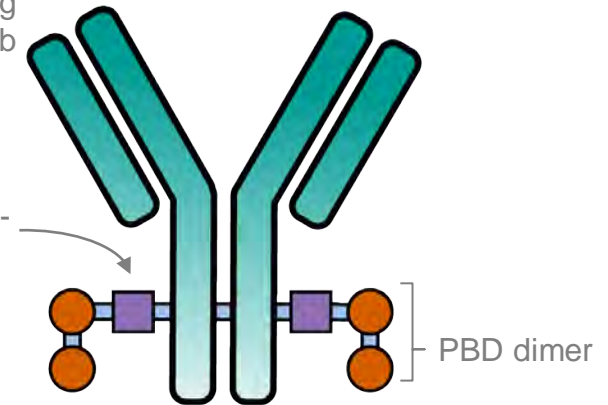


## Loncastuximab Teserine

- Loncastuximab tesirine is an ADC targeting CD19, which is expressed exclusively on the surface of B cells<sup>2,3</sup>
- The payload is a small molecule PBD dimer and alkylating agent<sup>3</sup>
  - The PBD dimer binds to the DNA minor groove and forms highly cytotoxic DNA interstrand crosslinks, inducing tumor cell death

CD19-targeting  
humanized mAb

Stable protease-  
cleavable linker

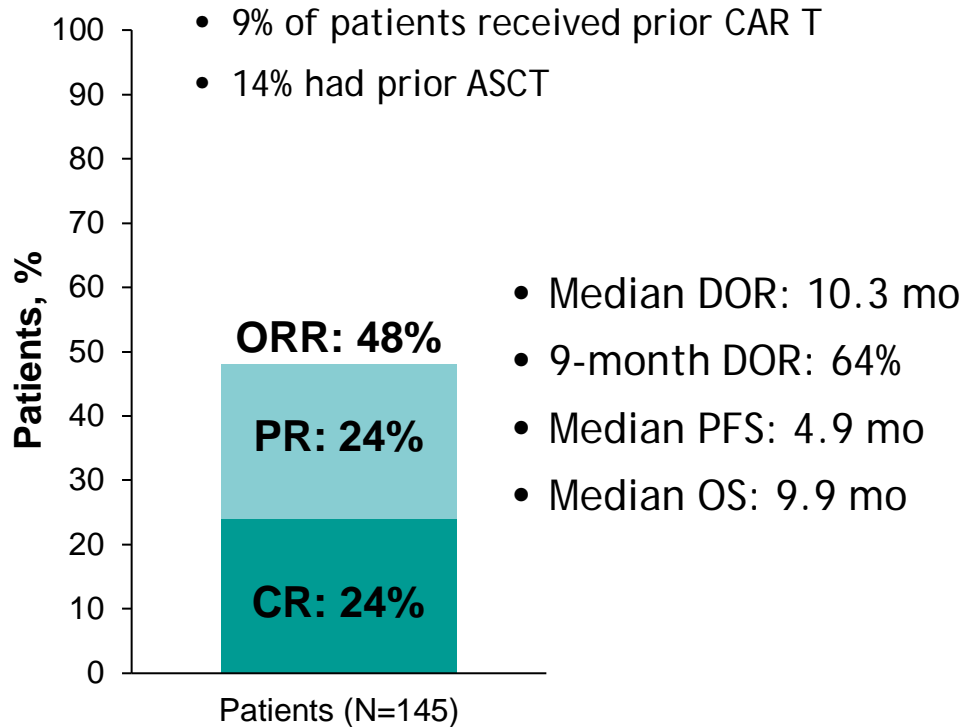


# LOTIS-2 Phase 2 Trial Loncastuximab Teserine in 3L+ DLBCL

## Eligibility

- Aged ≥18 years
- R/R DLBCL
- ≥2 prior regimens
- Prior CAR T permitted (persistent CD19 expression required)

Lonca IV as 30-min infusion  
In 21-d cycles  
C1-2: 150 µg/kg Q3W  
C3+: 75 µg/kg Q3W for up to 1 year or PD/unacceptable toxicity



## Most Common TEAEs (≥20% Any Grade or ≥5% Grade ≥3)

Patients, %	Patients (N=145)	
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3-4
Neutropenia	14	26
GGT increased	24	16
Thrombocytopenia	15	18
Anemia	16	10
Fatigue	26	1
Nausea	23	0
Cough	21	1
Peripheral edema	19	1
Blood alkaline phosphatase increased	19	1
Hypophosphatemia	10	6
Leukopenia	6	9
Lymphopenia	2	6

Median treatment duration was 45 days.

3L, third-line; ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; C, cycle; CAR T, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; CR, complete response; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; DOR, duration of response; GGT, gamma-glutamyl transferase; Lonca, loncastuximab teserine; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; Q3W, every 3 weeks; R/R, relapsed/refractory; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

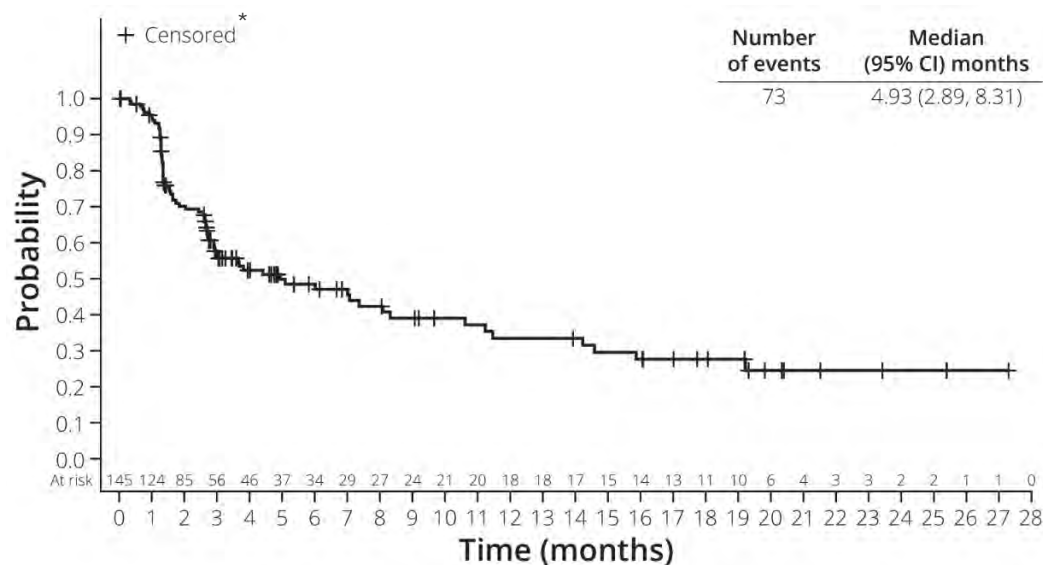
Caimi P, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2021;22:790-800.



# OS and PFS

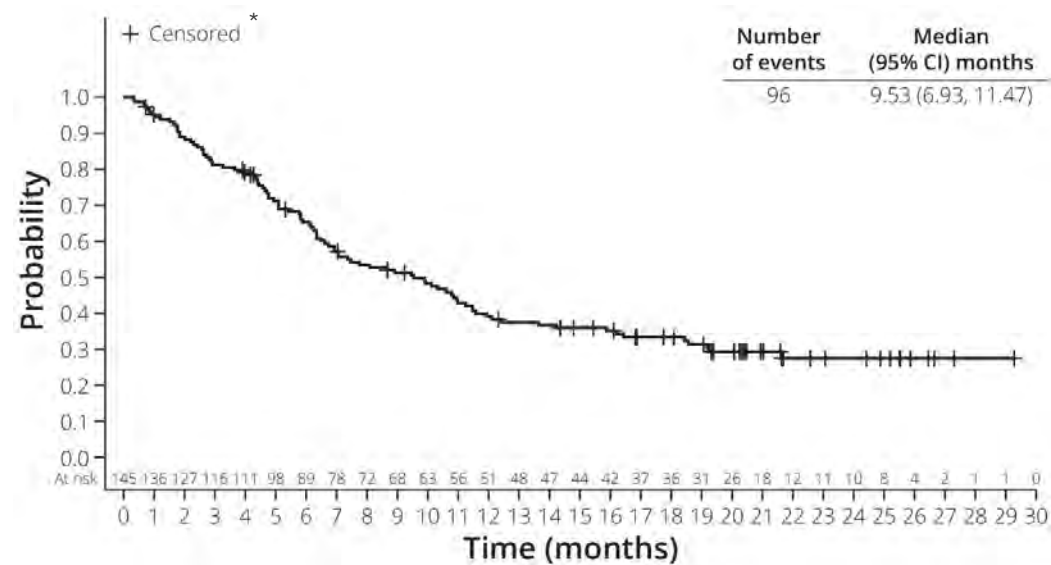
## Follow-up analysis

PFS (all-treated population)  
(N=145)



mPFS was 4.9 months

OS (all-treated population)  
(N=145)



mOS was 9.5 months

Data cut-off: March 1, 2021.

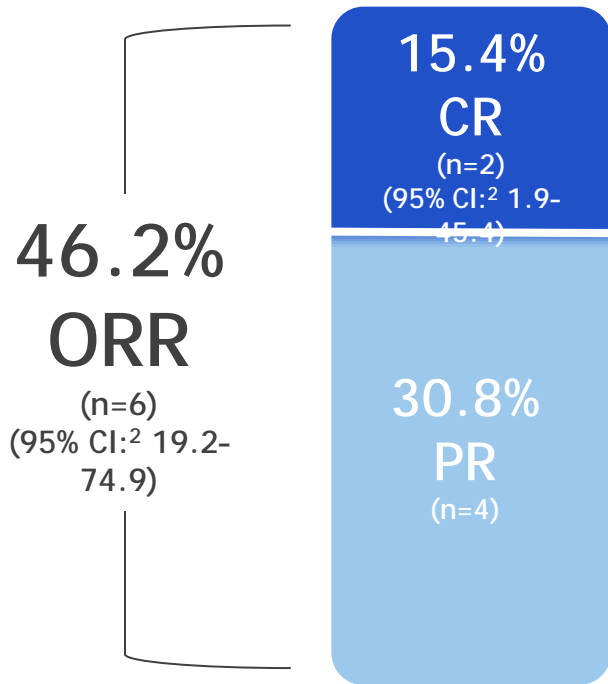
Patients with events after start of subsequent anticancer therapy or procedure, or progression free and alive at data cut-off, or who had unknown status were censored at last valid tumour assessment on or before start of subsequent anticancer therapy or procedure or data cut-off.<sup>2</sup>

CI, confidence interval; m, median; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

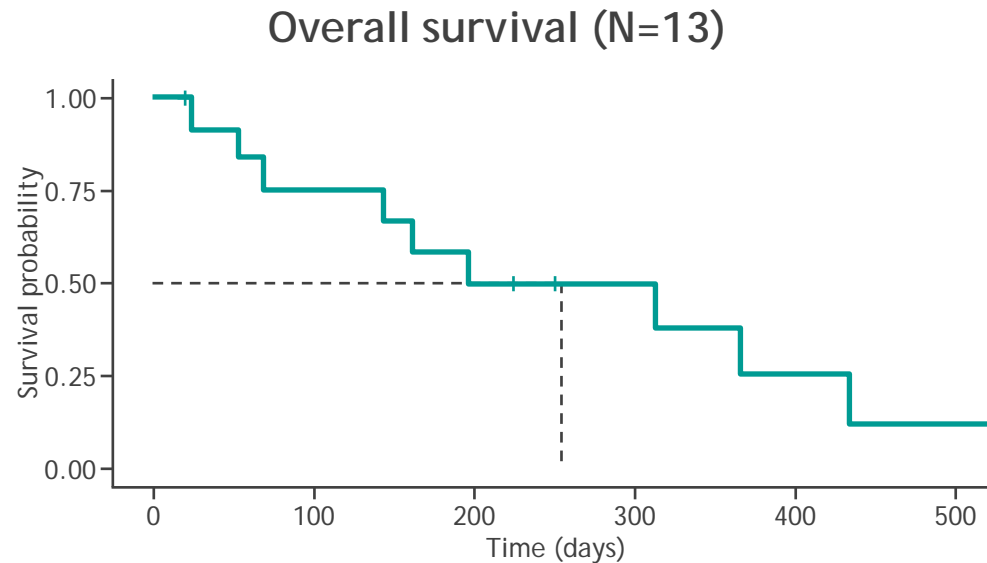
1. Zinzani et al. ICML 2021 2. Caimi et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2021.

# Efficacy in patients who previously received CAR-T<sup>1</sup>

After a median follow-up of 8 months, 13 patients received a median of 2 cycles of Lonca (range 1-9)



Median DOR: 8 months  
(95% CI: 103 days-NR)



Median OS after Lonca: 8.2 months  
(95% CI: 144d-NR)

CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; Lonca, loncastuximab tesirine; NR, not reached; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response.

1. Caimi et al. *Clin Lymphoma Myeloma Leuk* 2022 2. Data on file.

# Thoughts

- Our treatment paradigms are changing. More options for patients
- Better understanding of the 'best fit' for patients.
- Will build confidence in sequencing with increased data.
- Will need to identify better biomarkers for response and understand mechanisms of resistance.
- Challenges for regulators and funders.
- Challenges for delivery teams/out of hours