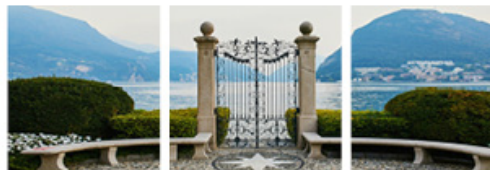


# Lymphom Kompetenz KOMPAKT



18.–22. Juni 2019

KML-Experten berichten vom 15-ICML 2019 in Lugano



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## Chronische lymphatische Leukämie (CLL)

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# Kapitel 1

## CLL 12-Studie

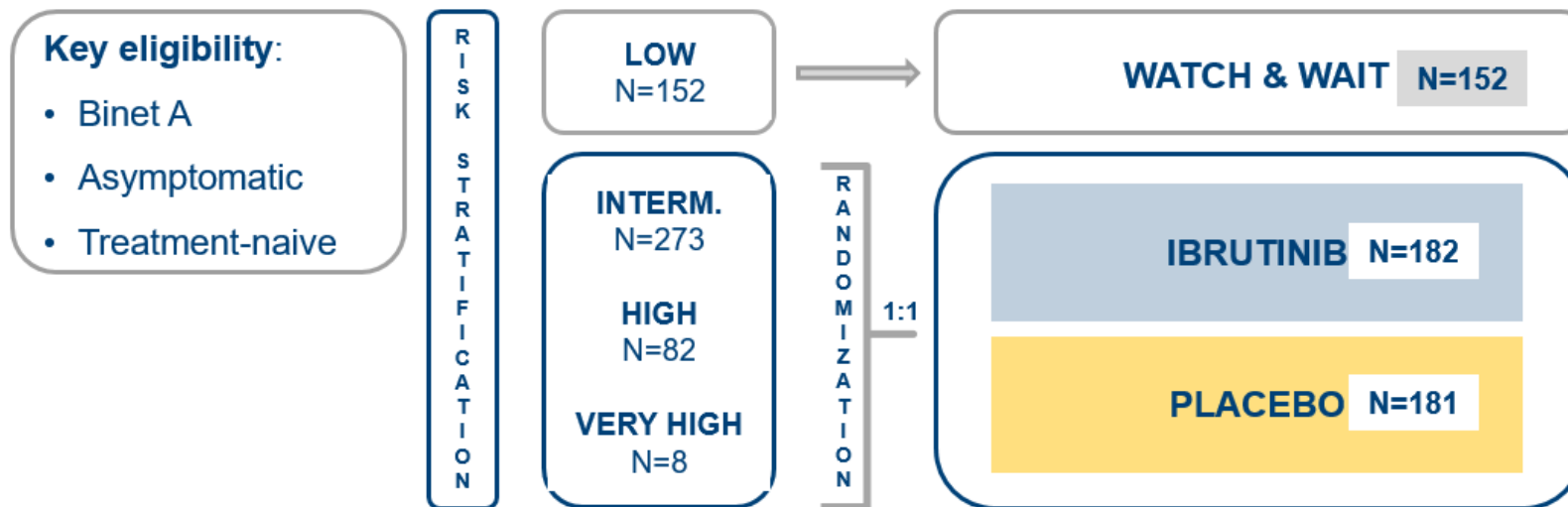
*Watch & Wait* oder *Ibrutinib* bei Patienten im frühen Stadium ohne Symptome?

## **IBRUTINIB VERSUS PLACEBO IN PATIENTS WITH ASYMPTOMATIC, TREATMENT-NAÏVE EARLY STAGE CLL: PRIMARY ENDPOINT RESULTS OF THE PHASE 3 DOUBLE-BLIND RANDOMIZED CLL12 TRIAL**

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## STUDY DESIGN



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

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

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

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

## ADVERSE EVENTS

	<b>Ibrutinib n=185</b>	<b>Placebo n=178</b>
<b>Any grade AEs (%)</b>	152 (82.2)	151 (84.8)
<b>AEs <math>\geq</math> grade 3 (%)</b>	80 (43.2)	69 (38.8)
<b>AEs leading to interruption (%)</b>	77 (41.6)	38 (21.3)
Arrhythmias	18	0
Bleeding	8	1
Diarrhea	4	3
Neoplasia	4	3
Infection	3	4
Myocardial infarction	1	6
other	39	21

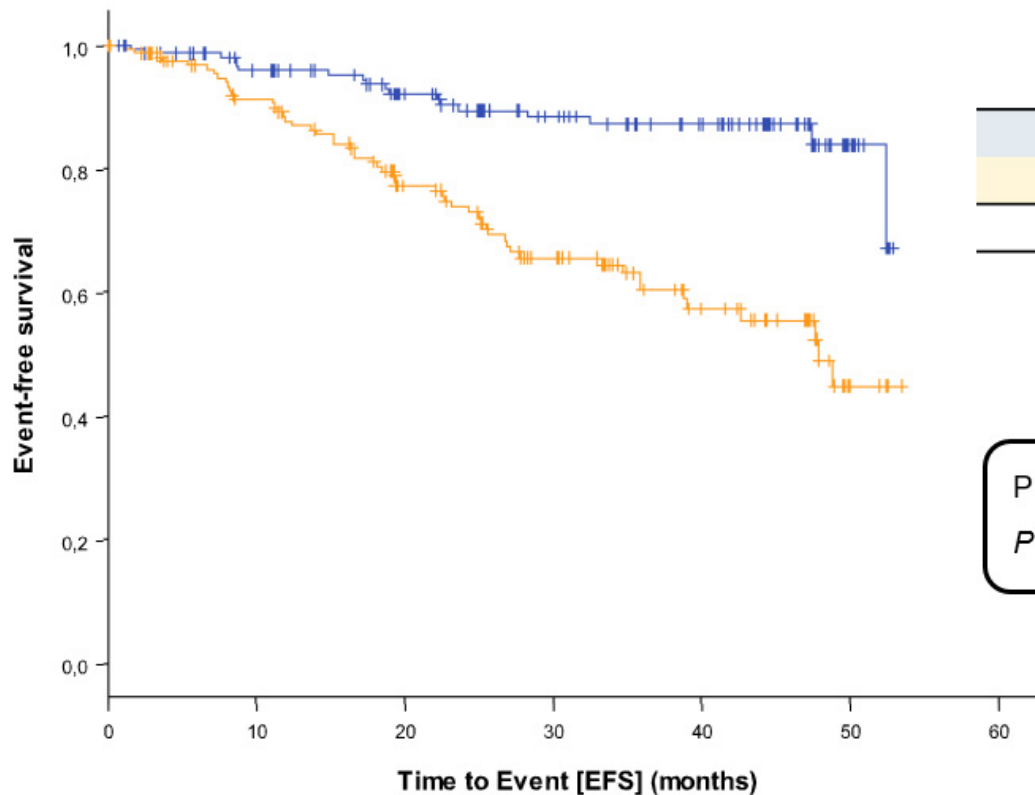
\* Death of unknown cause (n=4), infection (n=2), second cancer (n=2), cardiac failure (n=1)

## ADVERSE EVENTS OF CLINICAL INTEREST

	Ibrutinib n=185	Placebo n=178	P-value
<b>AE of clinical interest (%)</b>	106 (57.3)	71 (39.9)	0.001
<b>Diarrhea</b>	<b>58 (31.4)</b>	<b>44 (24.7)</b>	n.s.
- CTC $\geq$ 3	2 (1.1)	5 (2.8)	
<b>Bleeding</b>	<b>51 (27.6)</b>	<b>17 (9.6)</b>	0.000
- CTC $\geq$ 3	6 (3.2)	2 (1.2)	
<b>Atrial fibrillation</b>	<b>33 (17.8)</b>	<b>13 (7.3)</b>	0.003
- CTC $\geq$ 3	11 (6.5)	3 (1.7)	
<b>Hypertensive disorders</b>	<b>18 (9.7)</b>	<b>7 (3.9)</b>	0.04
- CTC $\geq$ 3	3 (1.6)	3 (1.7)	

## PRIMARY EFS ENDPOINT ANALYSIS

Time to symptomatic progression, CLL treatment and/or death



	total	events	N	%
Ibrutinib	182	18	164	90.1
Placebo	181	55	126	69.9
	363	73	290	79.9

P median<sub>EFS</sub> 47.8 vs. NR  
P value <0.0001; HR 0.248



## CONCLUSIONS

### **The primary endpoint analysis of the CLL12 study confirms that...**

... ibrutinib improves EFS in asymptomatic, early stage patients with risk of progression.

... there were no differences in adverse events when compared to placebo.

... atrial fibrillation, bleeding and hypertensive disorders affected significant more ibrutinib-treated patients and were the main reason for treatment discontinuation

**Unless there is no survival benefit the goldstandard for early stage patients remains watch & wait.**

## Kapitel 2

# CLL 14-Studie

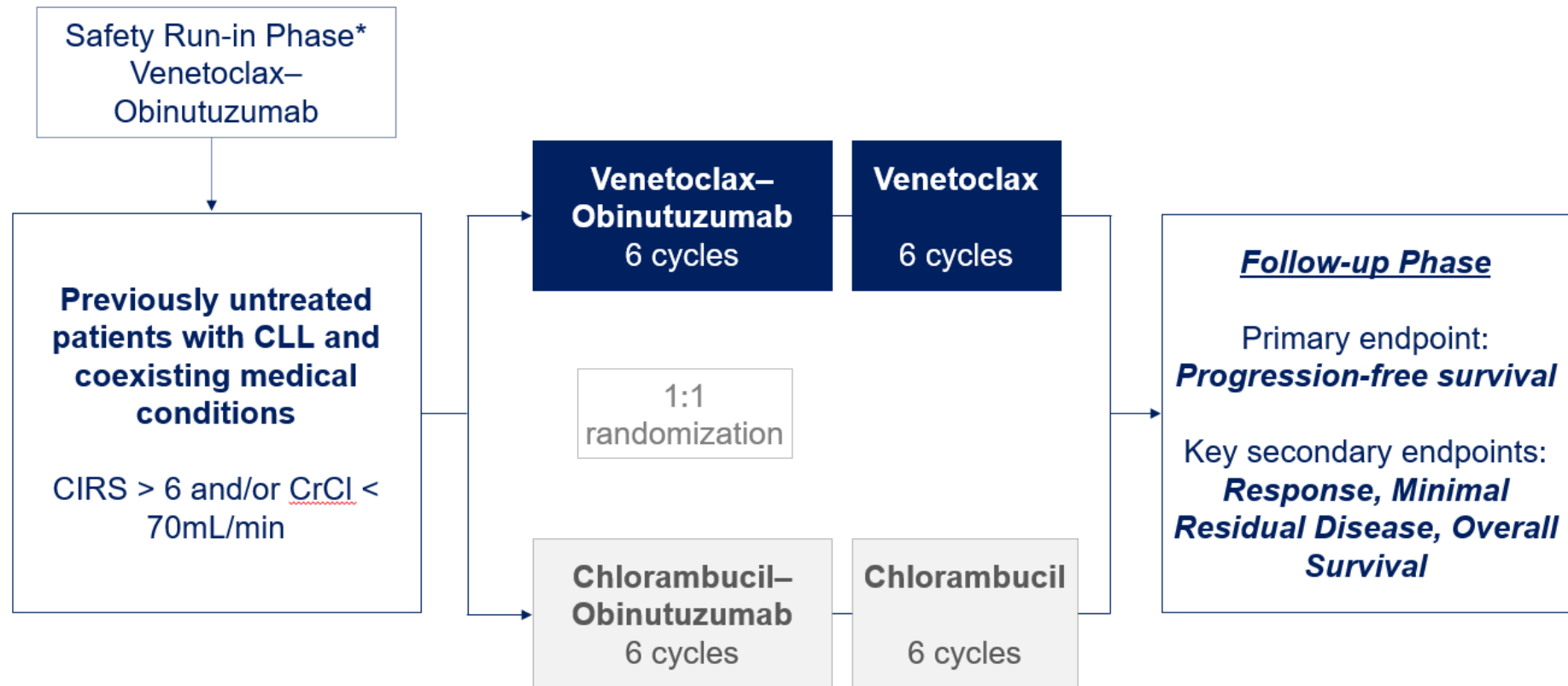
## Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab: Ergebnisse für ältere Patienten mit Komorbiditäten

## FIXED-DURATION VENETOCLAX PLUS OBINUTUZUMAB IMPROVES PFS AND MINIMAL RESIDUAL DISEASE NEGATIVITY IN PATIENTS WITH PREVIOUSLY UNTREATED CLL AND COMORBIDITIES

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## TRIAL DESIGN



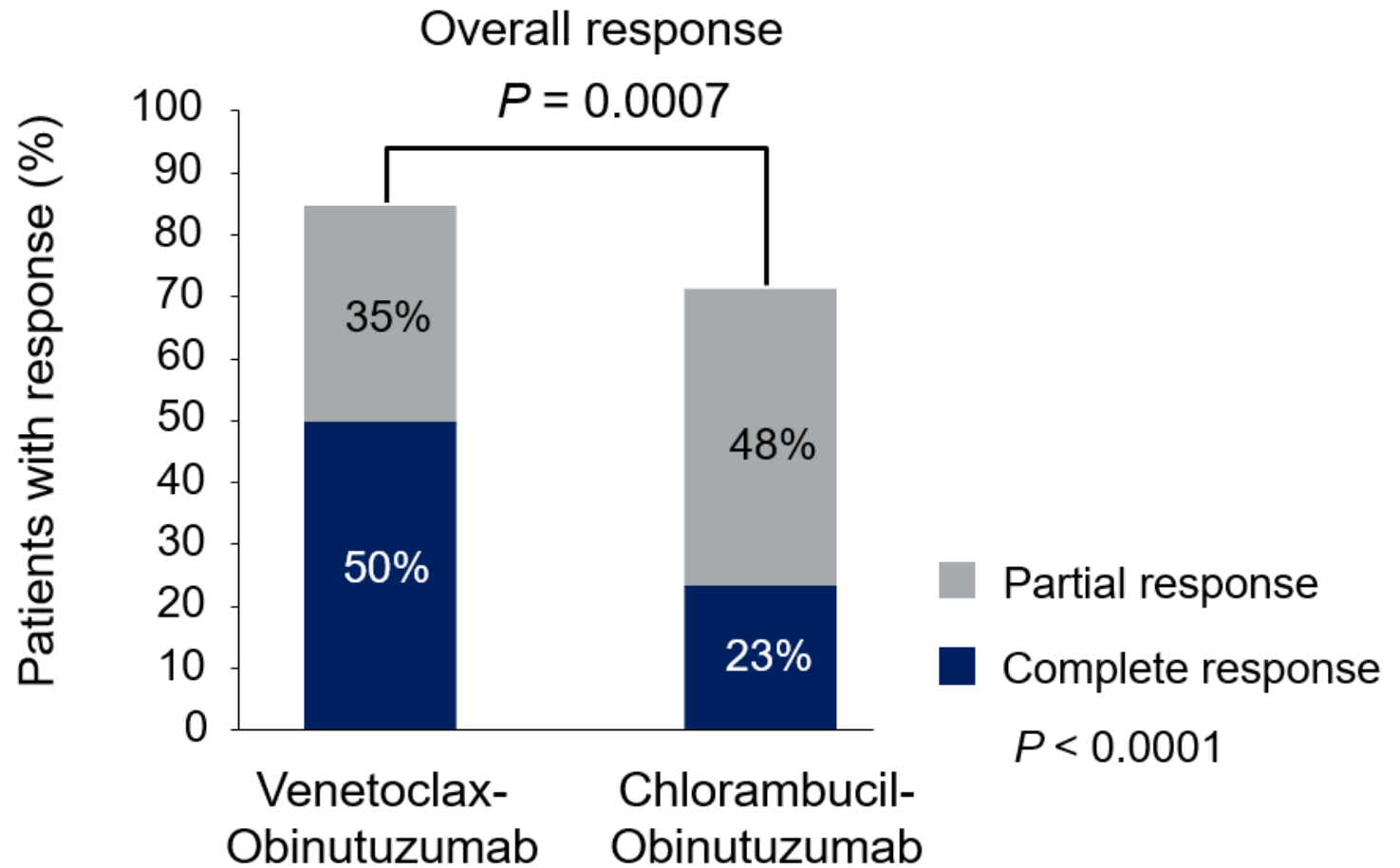
## PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS I

	Venetoclax- Obinutuzumab	Chlorambucil- Obinutuzumab
Number of patients, N	216	216
<b>Median age in years</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Binet stage</b>		
A	21 %	20 %
B	36 %	37 %
C	43 %	43 %
<b>Median total CIRS score</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Median estimated CreaCl in ml/min</b>	<b>65.2</b>	<b>67.5</b>
<b>Risk category for TLS</b>		
Low	13 %	12 %
Intermediate	64 %	68 %
High	22 %	20 %

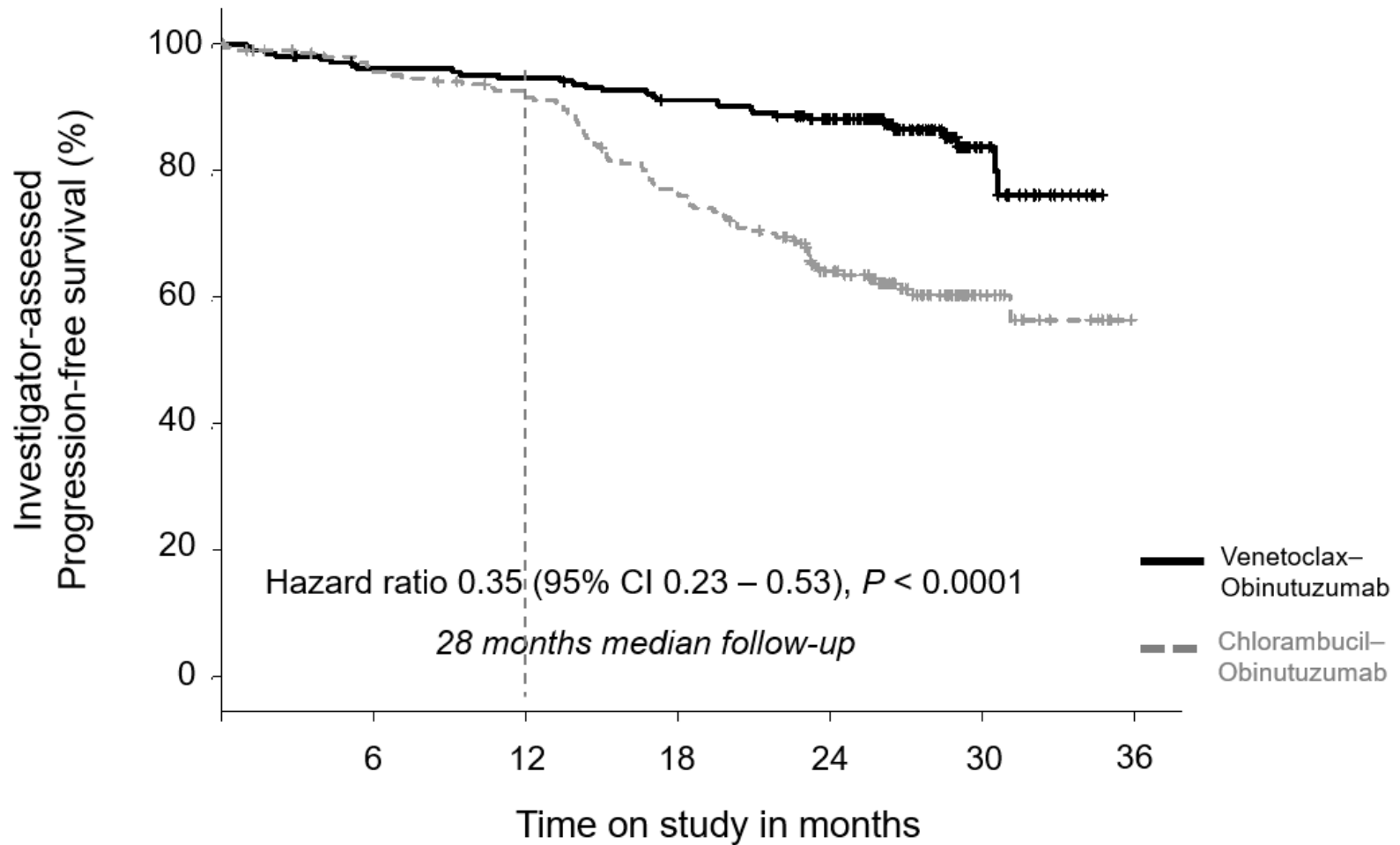
## GRADE 3 OR 4 ADVERSE EVENTS

	Venetoclax- Obinutuzumab	Chlorambucil- Obinutuzumab
Number of patients, N	212*	214
<b>Blood and lymphatic system disorders</b>	<b>60 %</b>	<b>55 %</b>
Neutropenia	53 %	48 %
Thrombocytopenia	14 %	15 %
Anemia	8 %	7 %
Febrile neutropenia	5 %	4 %
<b>Injury, poisoning and procedural comp.</b>	<b>12 %</b>	<b>14 %</b>
Infusion-related reaction	9 %	10 %
<b>Infections and infestations</b>	<b>18 %</b>	<b>15 %</b>
Pneumonia	4 %	4 %
<b>Investigations</b>	<b>15 %</b>	<b>11 %</b>
Neutrophil counts decreased	4 %	5 %
<b>Metabolism and nutrition disorders**</b>	<b>12 %</b>	<b>6 %</b>

## RESPONSE TO TREATMENT



## PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL



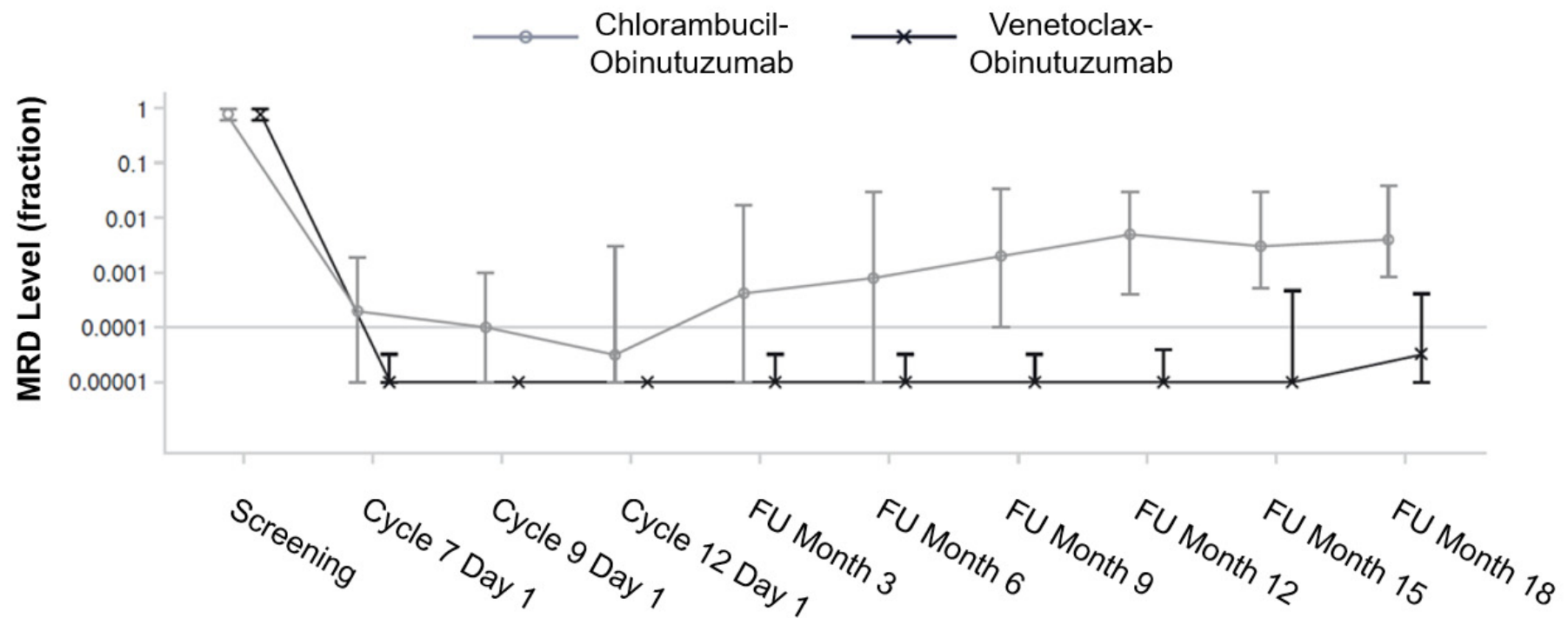


## MRD NEGATIVITY BY NGS

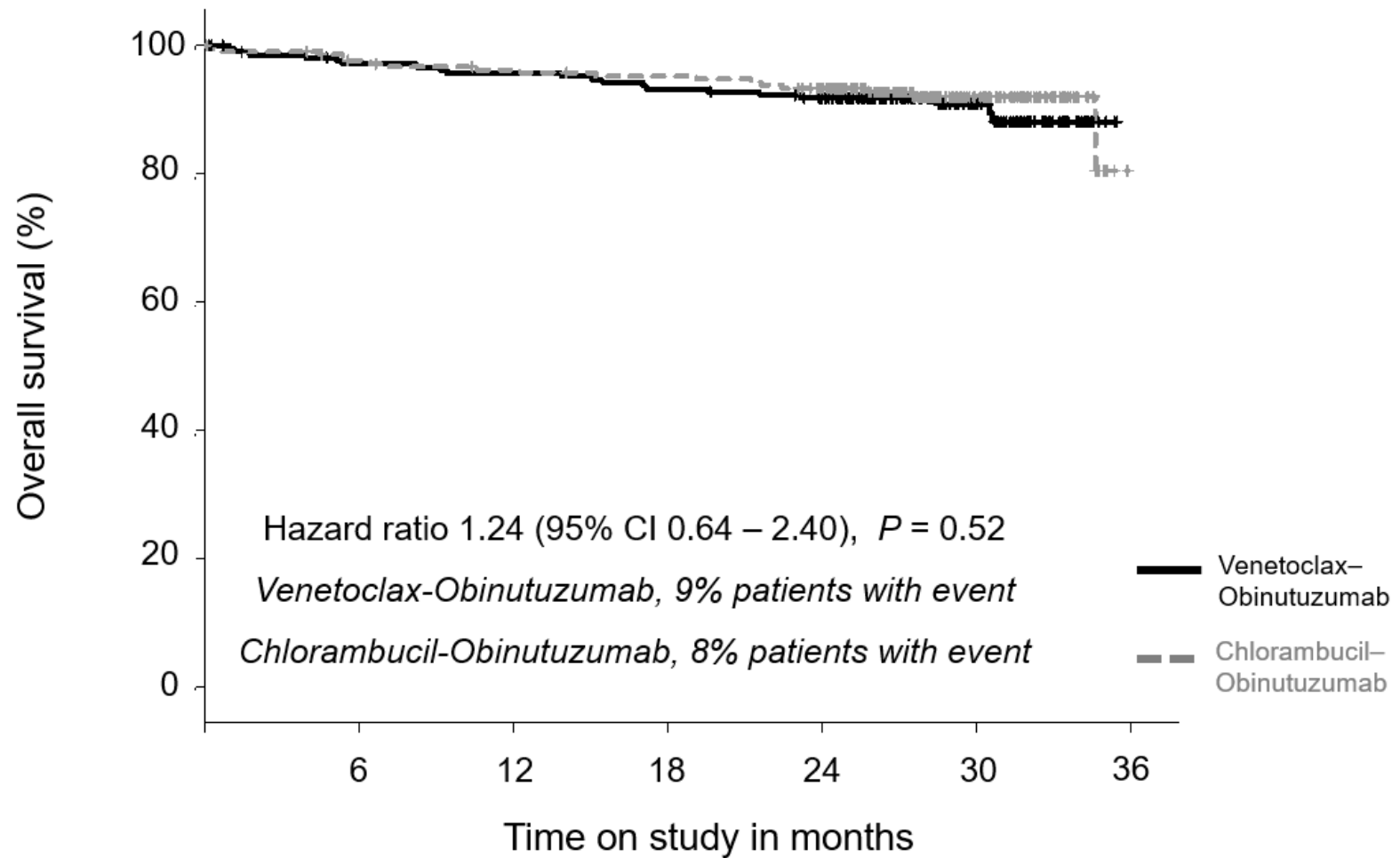
	Venetoclax- Obinutuzumab	Chlorambucil- Obinutuzumab
Number of patients, N	216	216
Minimal residual disease level		
< 10 <sup>-6</sup>	42 %	7 %
≥ 10 <sup>-6</sup> and <10 <sup>-5</sup>	26 %	13 %
≥ 10 <sup>-5</sup> and <10 <sup>-4</sup>	11 %	14 %
≥ 10 <sup>-4</sup> and <10 <sup>-2</sup>	6 %	23 %
≥ 10 <sup>-2</sup>	5 %	29 %
No sample / not evaluable	12 %	14 %

By NGS in peripheral blood 3 months after completion of treatment

## MRD LEVELS OVER TIME



## OVERALL SURVIVAL



## CONCLUSION

### A FIXED-DURATION, TARGETED THERAPY COMBINING VENETOCLAX AND OBINUTUZUMAB ...

... can be applied safely to elderly CLL patients with relevant comorbidity:

... provides a superior outcome compared to chlorambucil and obinutuzumab regarding:

- PFS.
- Overall response rate.
- Complete response rate.
- MRD negative responses.
- In all relevant subgroups including IGVH unmutated, del(17p) or TP53 mutated patients.

... achieves the highest rate of MRD negative responses so far observed in a randomized prospective study.

## Kapitel 3

### CLL 14-Studie

Welche genetische Subgruppen profitieren besonders?

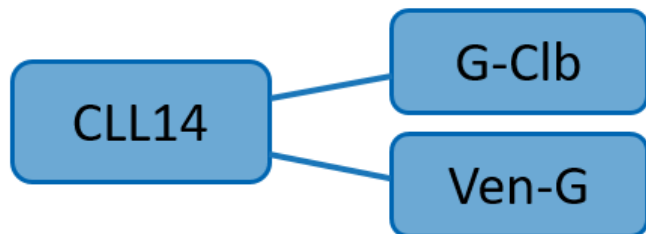
## **GENETIC MARKERS AND OUTCOME IN THE CLL14 TRIAL OF THE GCLLSG COMPARING FRONT LINE OBINUTUZUMAB PLUS CHLORABMUCIL OR VENETOCLAX IN PATIENTS WITH COMORBIDITY - Best abstract submitted by a young investigator / travel grant recipient**

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## CLL14: G-Clb vs. Ven-G in untreated patients with CLL and relevant comorbidities

### Population:



- International phase III trial (196 centers, 21 countries)
- Untreated CLL n=432 with “active disease”
- Median Age 72 years, CIRS score 8, Creat Clear 66.4m
- Randomized into 6 cycles Obinutuzumab +
  - 12 cycles Chlorambucil (G-Clb)
  - 12 cycles Venetoclax (Ven-G)

### Methods

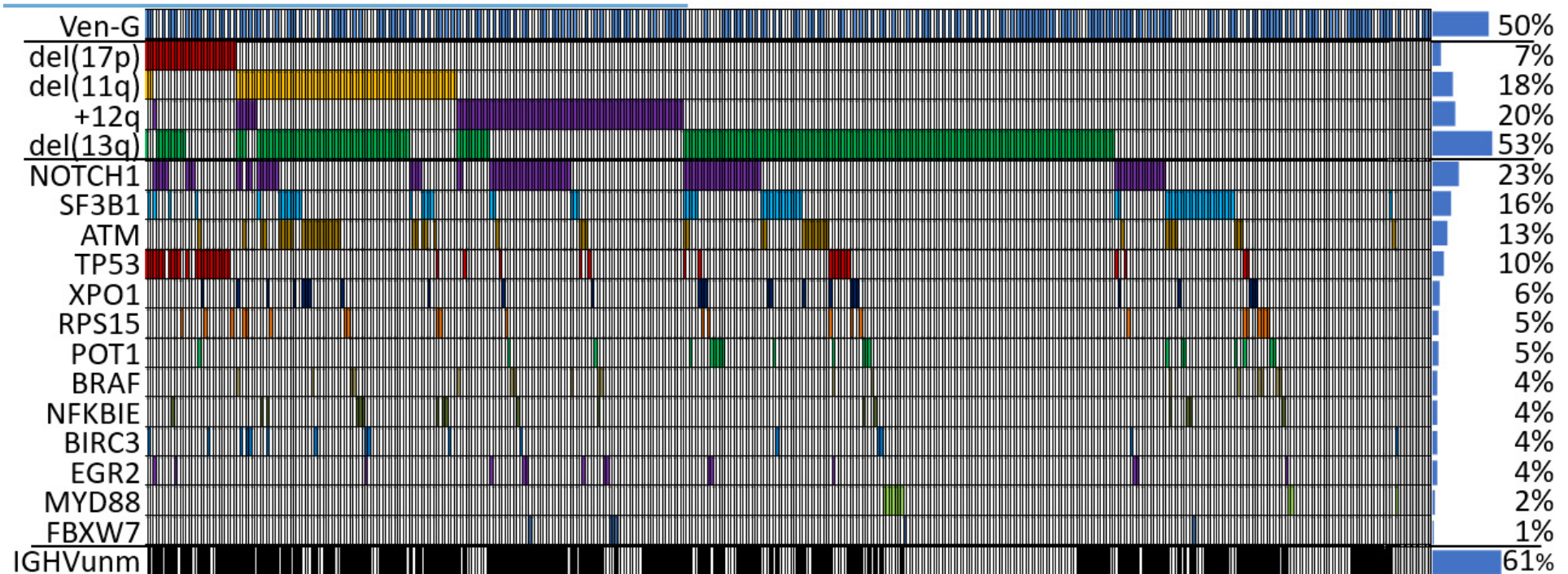
Cytogenetics via FISH: 418/432 patients (97%)

IGHV (threshold <98% homology): 408/432 patients (94%)

Custom Targeted NGS panel for mutations: 421/432 patients (97%)

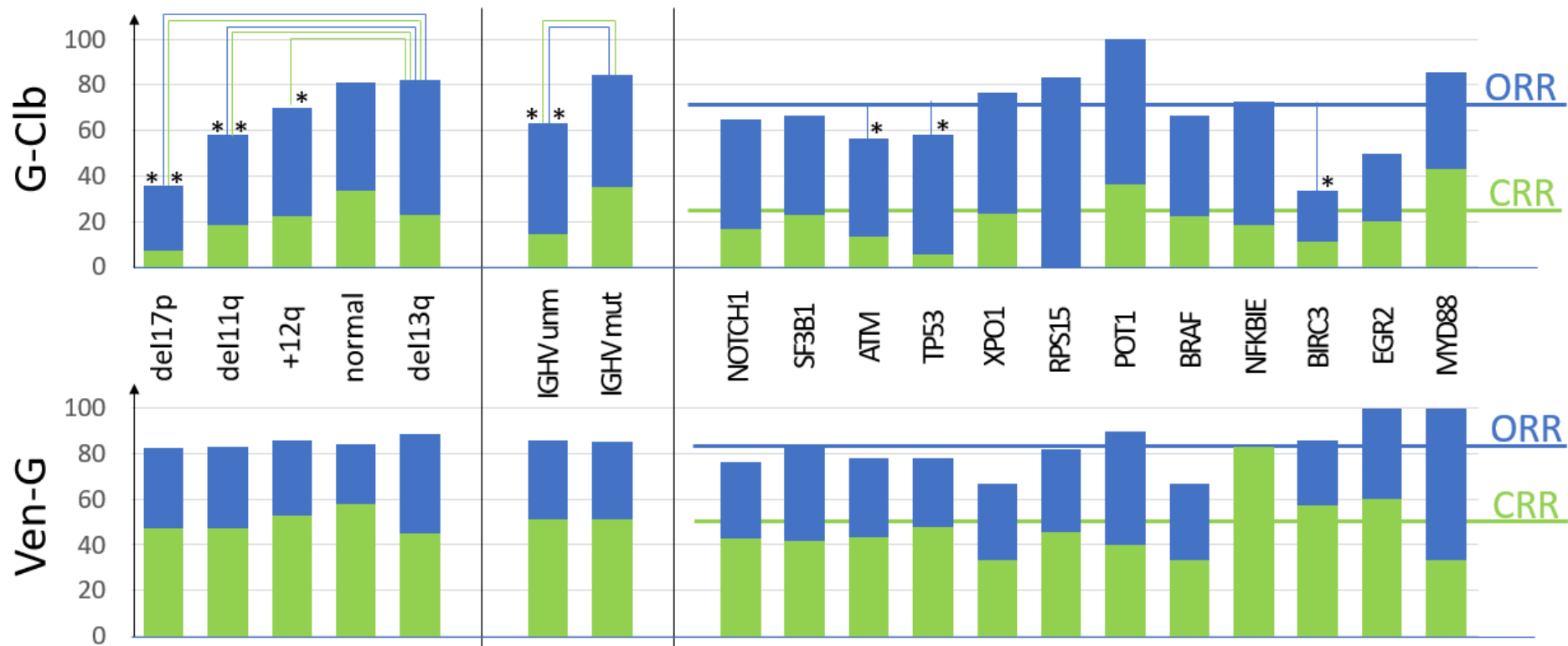
*TP53, NOTCH1, SF3B1, ATM, MYD88, FBXW7, POT1, BIRC3, XPO1, NFKBIE, EGR2, RPS15.*

## Incidence of aberrations, mutations and IGHV status



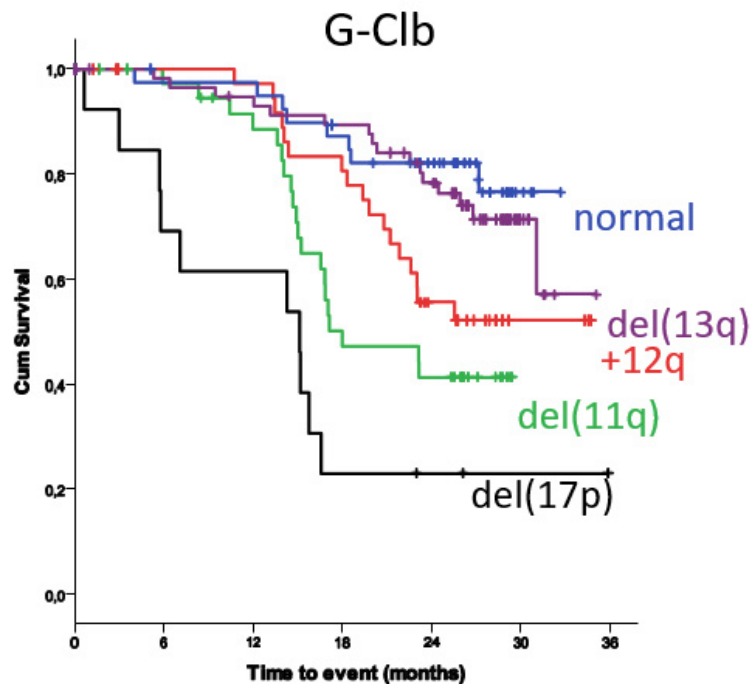


## Complete and overall response with G-Clb/Ven-G:



\* p<0.05 for each

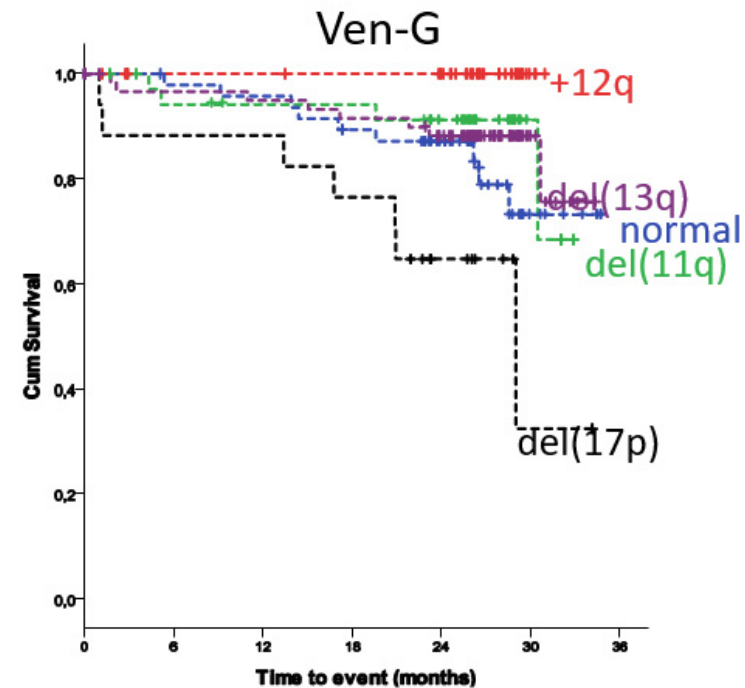
## Genomic aberrations and PFS



del(17p) vs. del(13q): HR 7.41 (3.36-16.32)  $p < 0.001$

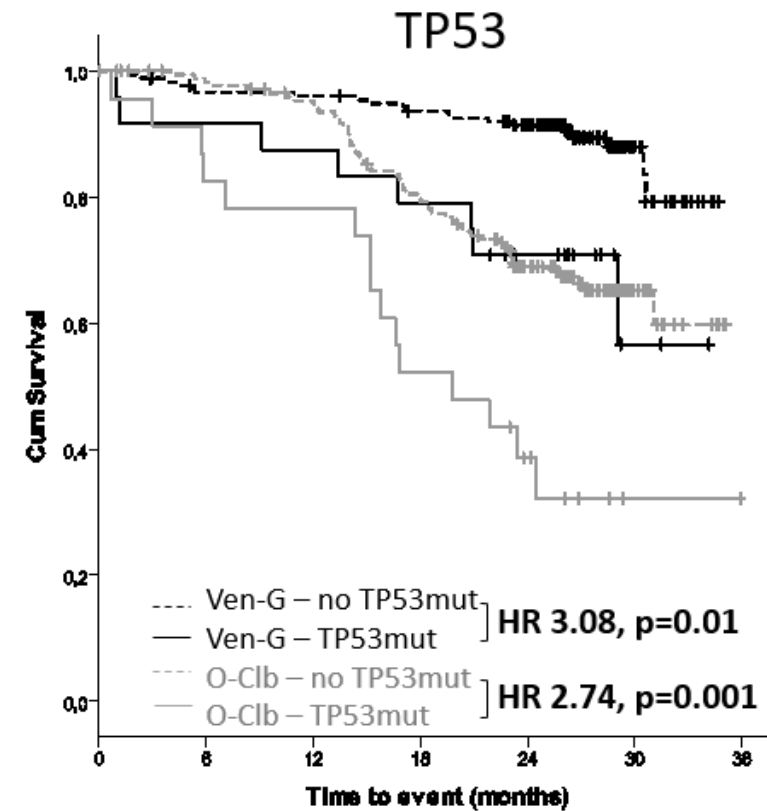
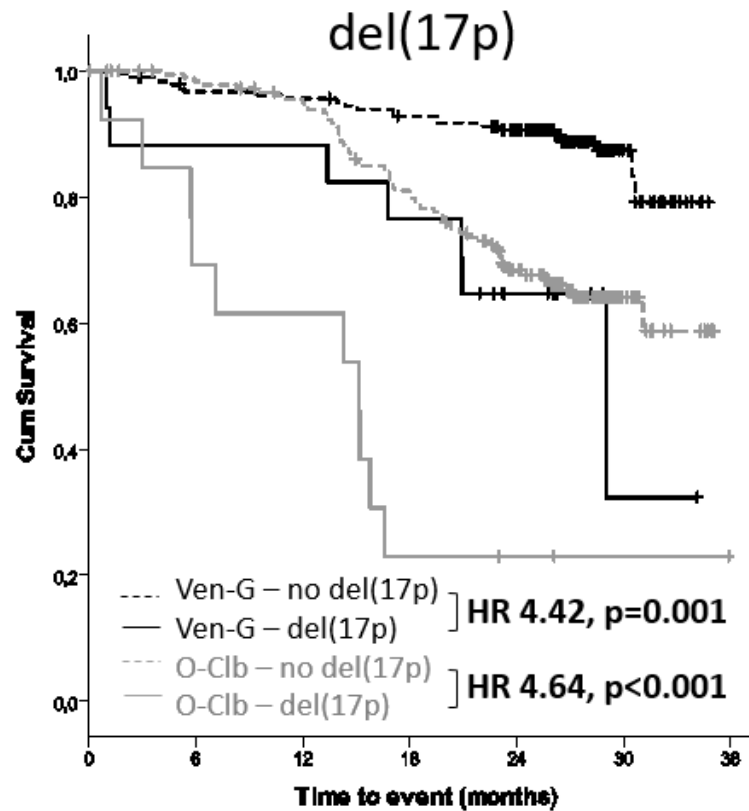
del(11q) vs. del(13q): HR 3.44 (1.80-6.60)  $p < 0.001$

+12q vs. del(13q): HR 2.22 (1.13-4.35)  $p = 0.02$

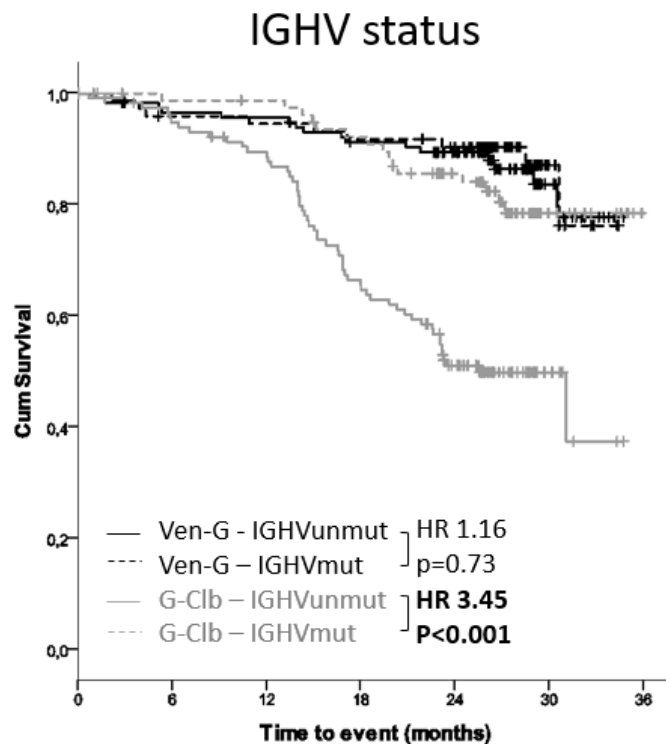


del(17p) vs. del(13q): HR 4.19 (1.55-11.33)  $p = 0.005$

## del(17p) / TP53 mutation and PFS



## IGHV as a predictive factor: Ven-G is particularly effective in unmutated IGHV



Multivariable analysis testing for treatment interaction: IGHV as a predictive factor

	HR	95% CI	P value
IGHV unmut vs. mut	3.475	1.963-6.154	<0.001
Ven-G vs. G-Clb	0.64	0.280-1.462	0.289
IGHV * treatment interaction	0.333	0.123-0.903	<b>0.031</b>

## Genetic markers and impact on overall survival

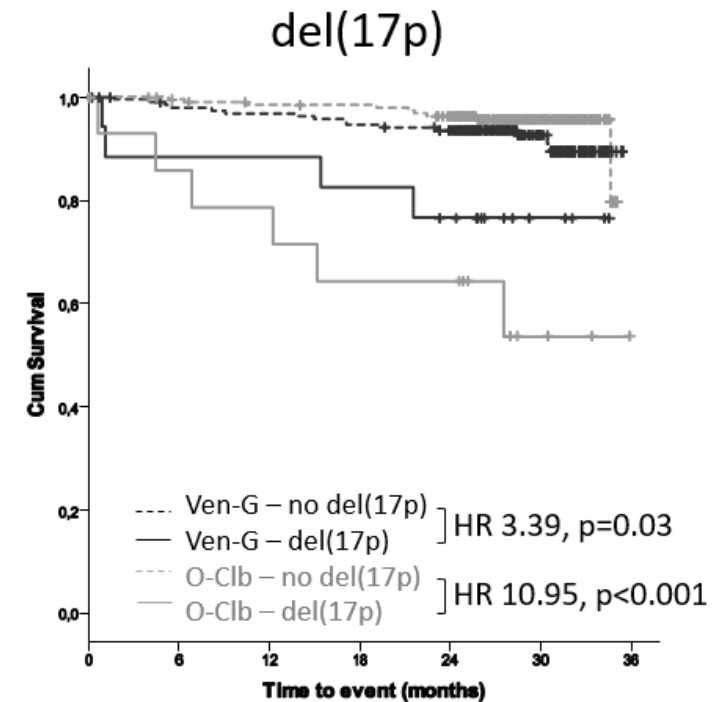
### Univariate analysis for G-Clb

	HR	95%CI	p
del(17p)	10.95	3.85-31.14	<0.001
BRAF	6.61	1.84-23.74	0.004
TP53	5.48	1.87-16.07	0.002
IGHVunm	5.38	1.19-24.40	0.03

### Univariate analysis for Ven-G

	HR	95%CI	p
del(17p)	3.391	1.124-10.23	0.03

24 of 37 deaths were  
fatal adverse events



## Summary

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Ven-G is superior to G-Clb regarding CRR/ORR and PFS for all major genetic subgroups.

del(17p) and *TP53*<sup>mut</sup> remains adverse prognostic factors for PFS with Ven-G treatment.

Venetoclax is particularly effective in IGHV unmutated patients.

## Kapitel 3

# CLL 14-Studie

Vorteile für Patienten mit komplexem  
Karyotyp (CKT)?

## HIGH EFFICACY OF VENETOCLAX PLUS OBINUTUZUMAB IN PATIENTS WITH COMPLEX KARYOTYPE (CKT) AND CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (CLL): A PROSPECTIVE ANALYSIS FROM THE CLL14 TRIAL

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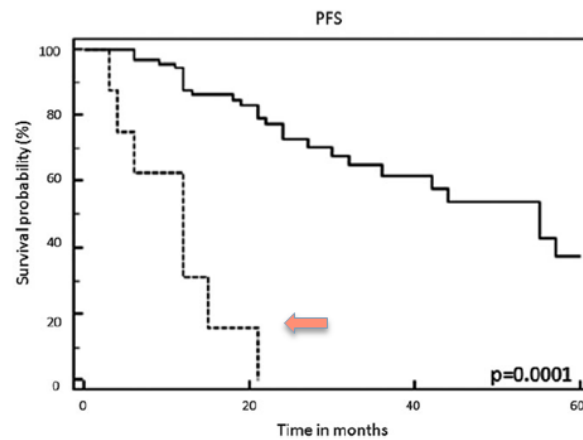
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## COMPLEX KARYOTYPE IN CLL

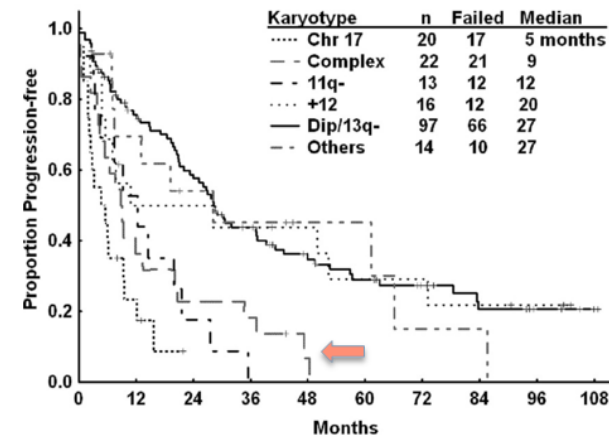
- presence of  $\geq 3$  chromosomal aberrations
- common in 10-30% of patients with CLL
- Adverse prognostic factor:

**FCR in untreated CLL**



*Le Bris et al, Hematol Oncol, 2016*

**FCR in r/r CLL**

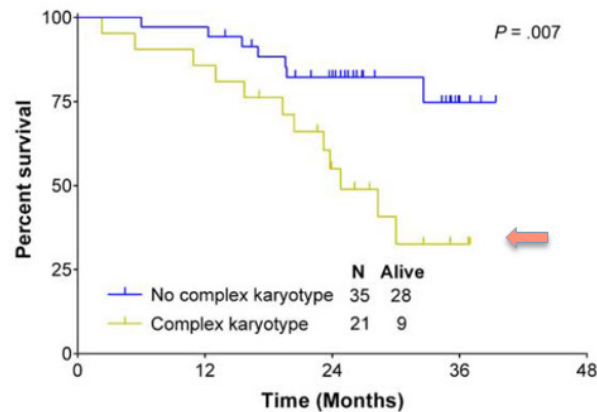


*Badoux et al, Blood, 2011*

## COMPLEX KARYOTYPE IN CLL

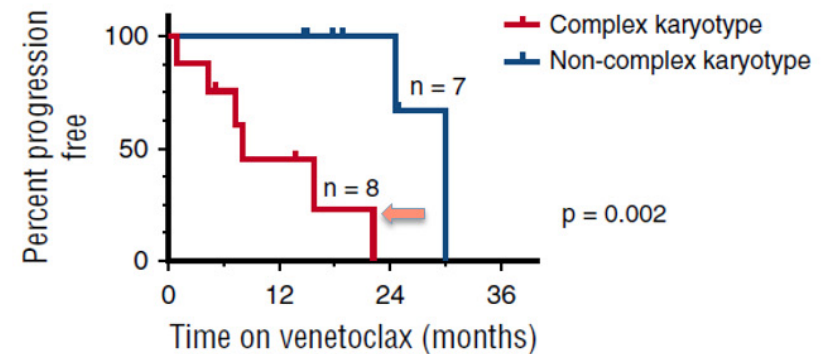
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- Adverse prognostic factor:

### Ibrutinib in r/r CLL



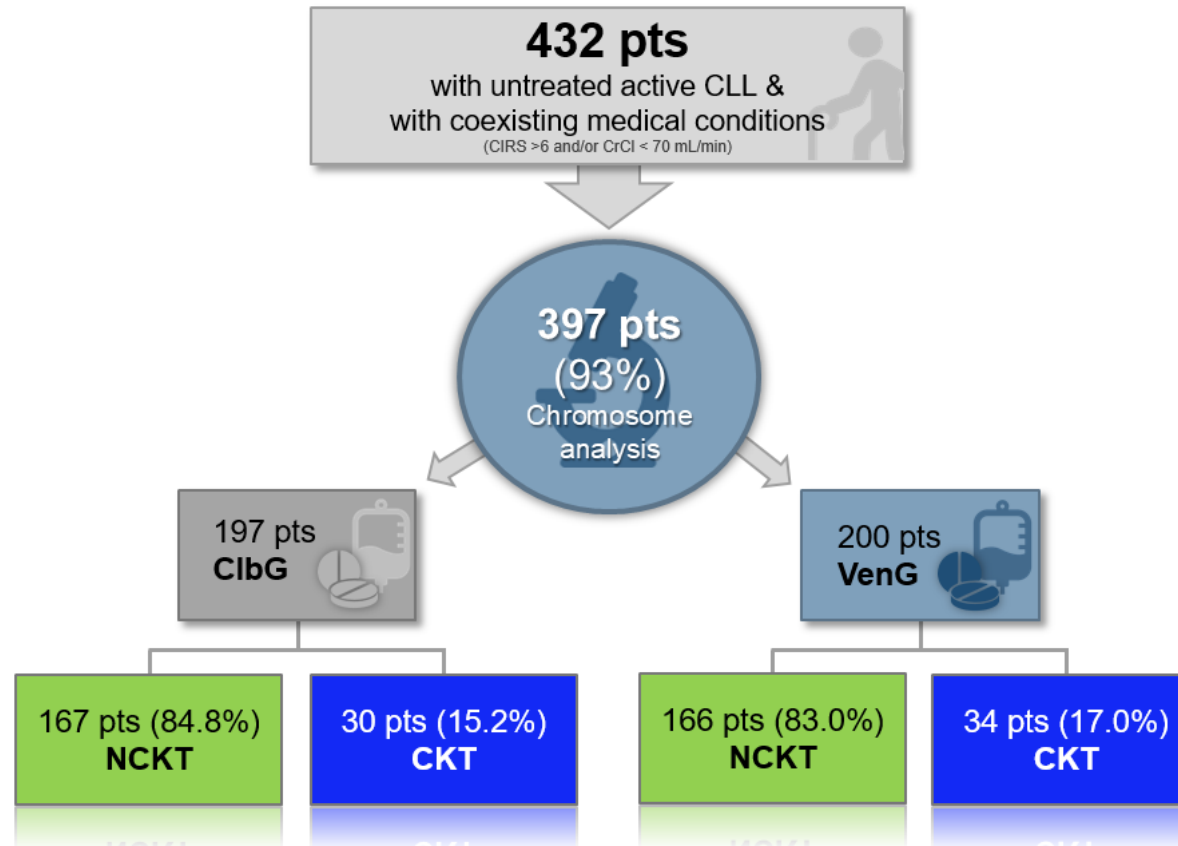
Thompson et al, Cancer, 2015

### Venetoclax in r/r CLL



Anderson et al, Blood, 2017

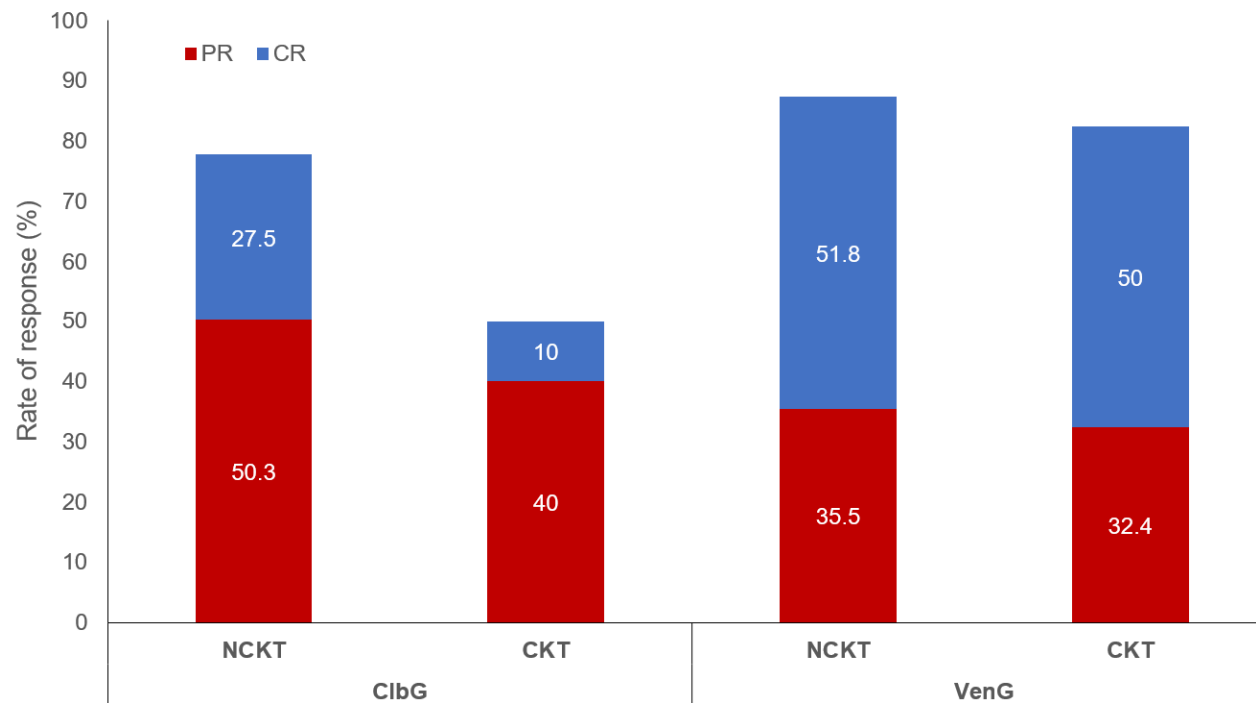
## KARYOTYPE ANALYSIS



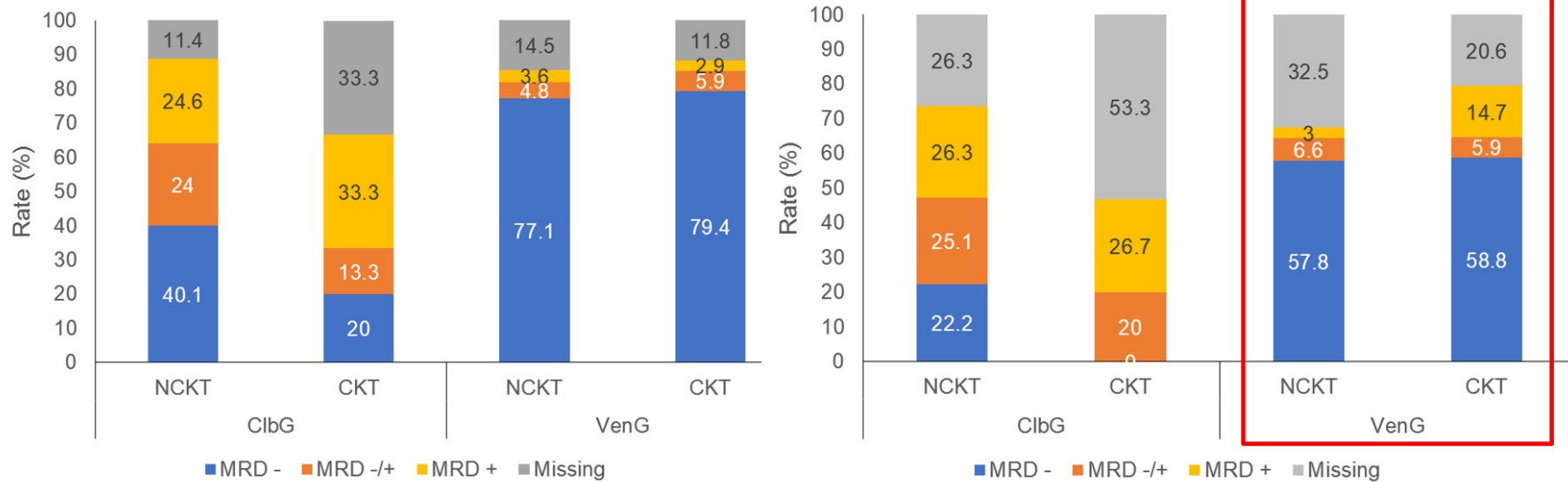
## PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS II

	CLBG		VENG	
	NCKT	CKT	NCKT	CKT
<b>Cytogenetic subgroup – n (%)</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>33</b>
del(17p)	5 (3.1)	8 (27.6)	5 (3.1)	11 (33.3)
del(11q)	27 (16.6)	7 (24.1)	25 (15.3)	8 (24.2)
Trisomy 12	27 (16.6)	9 (31.0)	30 (18.4)	5 (15.2)
Not del(17p)/del(11q)/trisomy 12/del(13q)	37 (22.7)	3 (10.3)	42 (25.8)	3 (9.1)
del(13q) alone	67 (41.1)	2 (6.9)	61 (37.4)	6 (18.2)
<b>IGHV mutational status – n (%)</b>				
Unmutated	95 (58.6)	18 (62.1)	96 (61.5)	20 (66.7)
Mutated	67 (41.4)	11 (37.9)	60 (38.5)	10 (33.3)
<b>TP53 mutational status – n (%)</b>				
Unmutated	155 (93.9)	21 (72.4)	151 (92.6)	25 (73.5)
Mutated	10 (6.1)	8 (27.6)	12 (7.4)	9 (26.5)

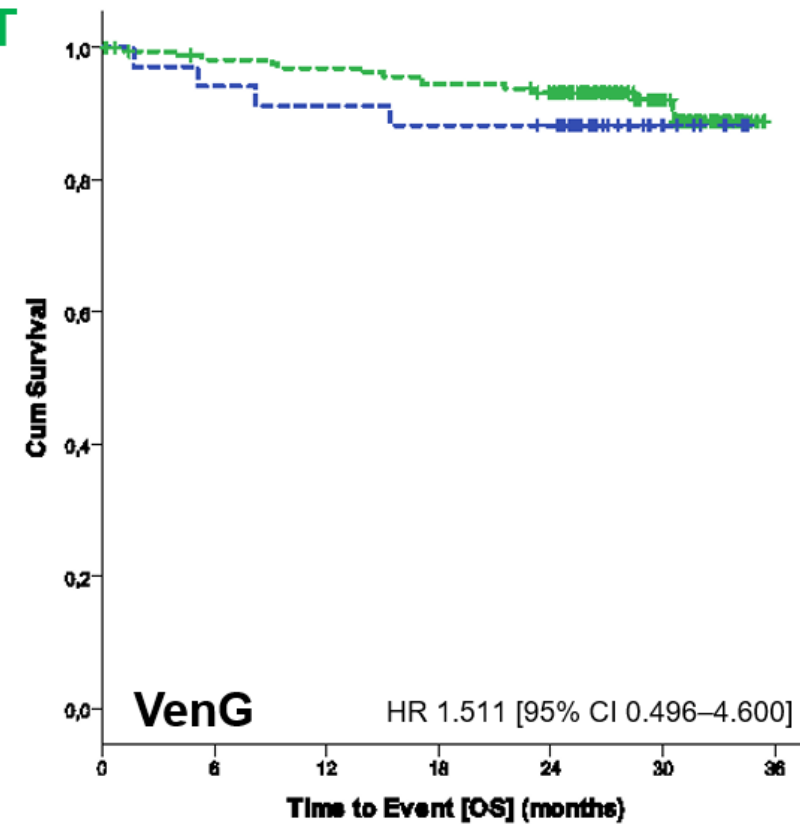
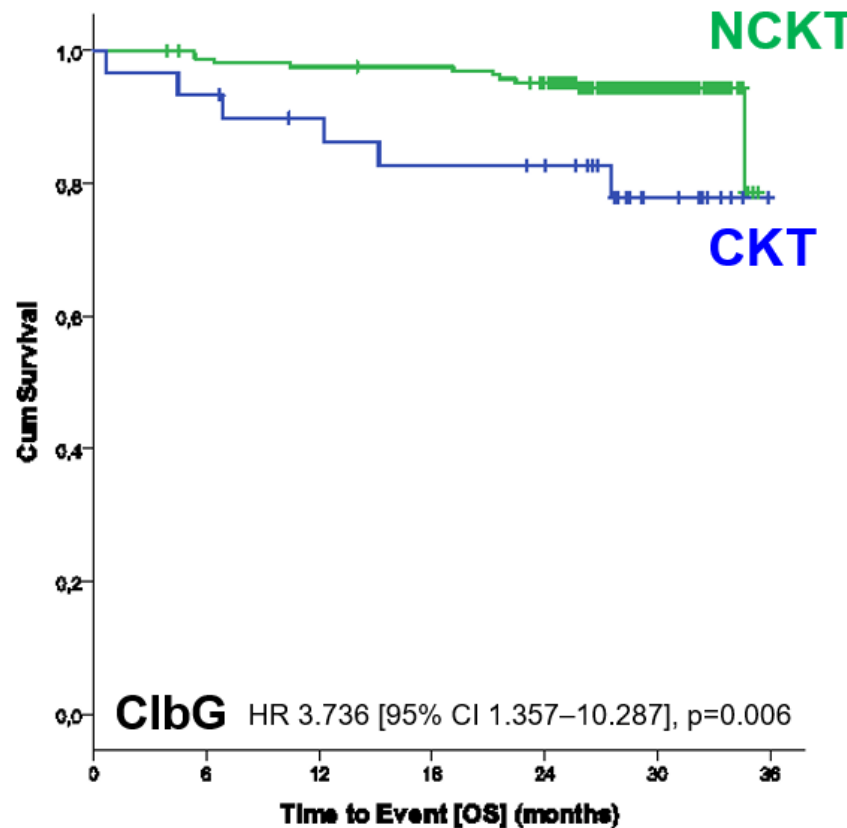
## RESPONSE



## MINIMAL RESIDUAL DISEASE



## OVERALL SURVIVAL



## SUMMARY

CKT can be observed in **approx. 15%** of elderly, treatment-naïve pts with CLL

CKT, **irrespective of *TP53* status**, is associated with **shorter PFS and OS** in pts treated with **chemoimmunotherapy**

**No difference** between NCKT and CKT in **PFS and OS** is observed when **treated with VenG**

Frontline treatment with **VenG is able to overcome** the adverse prognosis associated with CKT



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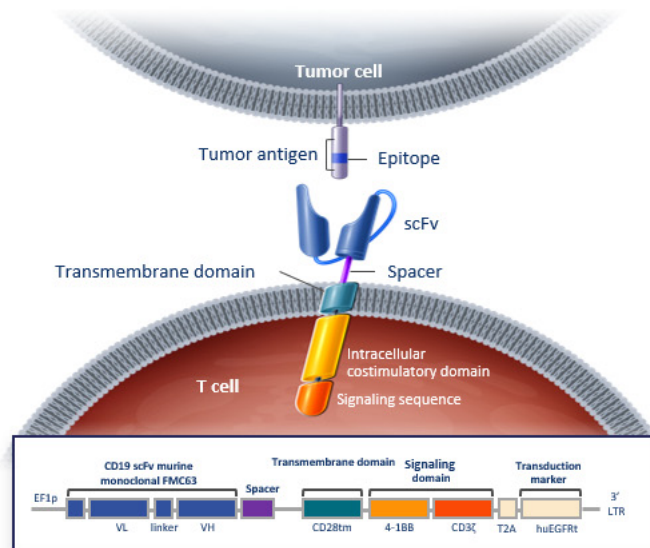
## CAR-T-Zell-Therapie

Einsatz auch bei intensiv vorbehandelten  
CLL-Patienten?

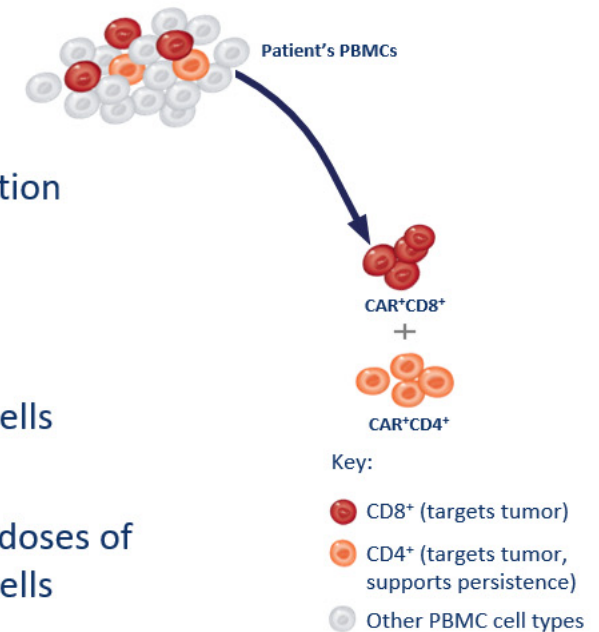
# TRANSCEND CLL 004: MINIMAL RESIDUAL DISEASE AFTER LISOCABTAGENE MARALEUCEL IN PATIENTS WITH RELAPSED/REFRACTORY CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA/SMALL LYMPHOCYTIC LYMPHOMA

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## Lisocabtagene Maraleucel (liso-cel; JCAR017) CD19-Targeted Defined Cell Product



- Immunomagnetic selection
- Lentiviral transduction
- Expansion
- CD4+ and CD8+ CAR T cells formulated separately
- Administered at target doses of CD4+ and CD8+ CAR T cells



CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CD, cluster of differentiation; huEGFRt, truncated human epidermal growth factor receptor; LTR, long terminal repeat; PBMC, peripheral blood mononuclear cells; scFv, single-chain variable fragment; VH, variable heavy chain; VL, variable light chain.

## TRANSCEND CLL 004 Phase 1 Study Design (NCT03331198)

### Key Eligibility

- Relapsed/refractory CLL/SLL
- Failed or ineligible for BTKi<sup>a</sup>
- High-risk disease<sup>b</sup>: failed  $\geq 2$  prior therapies
- Standard-risk disease: failed  $\geq 3$  prior therapies
- ECOG PS 0-1

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

28-day DLT period

#### Primary Objectives

Determine recommended dose

Safety

#### Exploratory Objectives

Antitumor activity

Pharmacokinetic profile

Dose Level	Dose	Evaluable (N=23)
1	$50 \times 10^6$ CAR+ T cells	9
2	$100 \times 10^6$ CAR+ T cells	14

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

## Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	All Patients (N=23)	DL1 (n=9)	DL2 (n=14)
Median age, y (range)	66 (49-79)	67 (49-76)	66 (53-79)
Male, n (%)	11 (47.8)	4 (44.4)	7 (50.0)
Bulky disease >5 cm, n (%) <sup>a</sup>	8 (34.8)	3 (33.3)	5 (35.7)
SPD (cm <sup>2</sup> ), median (range)	24.7 (2-197)	30.0 (2-119)	24.7 (5-197)
LDH (U/L), median (range)	243 (119-634)	227.0 (174-634)	275.0 (119-527)
Received bridging therapy, n (%)	17 (73.9)	5 (55.6)	12 (85.7)
Stage, n (%)			
Rai stage III/IV	15 (65.2)	6 (66.7)	9 (64.3)
Binet stage C	16 (69.6)	7 (77.8)	9 (64.3)
High-risk features (any), n (%)	19 (82.6)	6 (66.7)	13 (92.9)
Del (17p)	8 (34.8)	3 (33.3)	5 (35.7)
TP53 mutation	14 (60.9)	4 (44.4)	10 (71.4)
Complex karyotype <sup>b</sup>	11 (47.8)	5 (55.6)	6 (42.9)
Prior lines of therapy, median (range)	5 (2-11)	5.0 (3-8)	5.0 (2-11)
Prior ibrutinib, n (%)	23 (100)	9 (100)	14 (100)
Ibrutinib relapse/refractory, n (%)	21 (91.3)	9 (100)	12 (85.7)
Ibrutinib progression and prior venetoclax, <sup>c</sup> n (%)	13 (56.5)	5 (55.6)	8 (57.1)

<sup>a</sup>Bulky disease defined as at least one lesion longest diameter >5 cm. <sup>b</sup>At least 3 chromosomal aberrations. <sup>c</sup>12 patients progressed on venetoclax; one patient had best response of SD after 3 months of treatment. DL, dose level; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; SD, stable disease; SPD, sum of the product of diameters.

## TEAEs of Special Interest

	All Patients (N=23)	DL1 (n=9)	DL2 (n=14)
<b>CRS—any grade, n (%)</b>	17 (73.9)	7 (77.8)	10 (71.4)
Median time to first onset, day (range)	4 (1-10)	6 (1-9)	3.5 (1-10)
Median duration, day (range)	5 (2-30)	5 (3-30)	5.5 (2-27)
<b>Grade 3, n (%)</b>	2 (8.7)	0	2 (14.3)
<b>NE<sup>a</sup>—any grade, n (%)</b>	9 (39.1)	2 (22.2)	7 (50.0)
Median time to first onset, day (range)	4.0 (2-21)	16 (11-21)	4 (2-11)
Median duration, day (range)	21.0 (6-169)	8.5 (6-11)	38 (9-169)
<b>Grade <math>\geq 3</math>,<sup>b</sup> n (%)</b>	5 (21.7)	2 (22.2)	3 (21.4)
Any, n (%)			
CRS or NE <sup>a</sup>	18 (78.3)	7 (77.8)	11 (78.6)
CRS and NE <sup>a</sup>	8 (34.8)	2 (22.2)	6 (42.9)
Tocilizumab and/or steroid use	17 (73.9)	5 (55.6)	12 (85.7)
<b>Tumor lysis syndrome—any grade, n (%)</b>	4 (17.4)	1 (11.1)	3 (21.4)
<b>Grade <math>\geq 3</math>, n (%)</b>	4 (17.4)	1 (11.1)	3 (21.4)
<b>Cardiac events, n (%)</b>	1 (4.3)	1 (11.1)	0

- **No grade 5 TEAEs of special interest occurred**

<sup>a</sup>NE are treatment-related events defined by the investigator. <sup>b</sup>NE are not mutually exclusive; encephalopathy n=3; aphasia n=1; confusional state n=1; muscular weakness n=1; somnolence n=1. CRS, cytokine release syndrome; DL, dose level; NE, neurological events; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

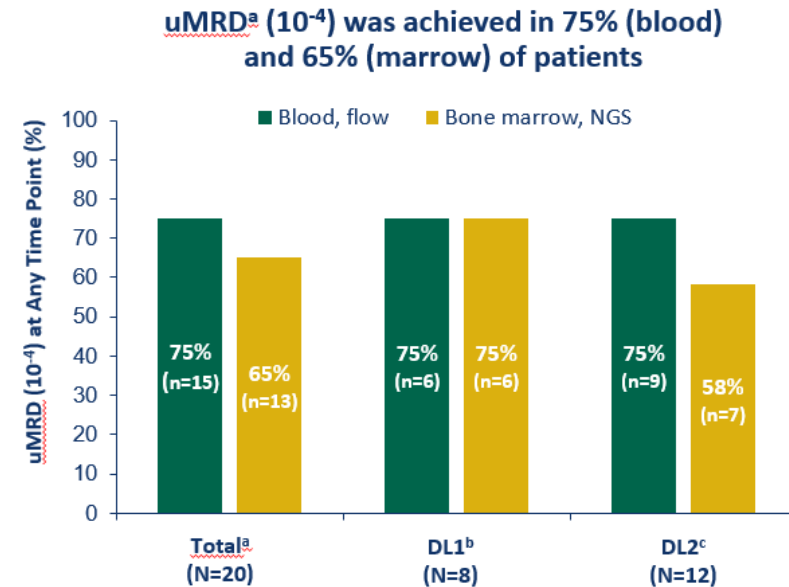
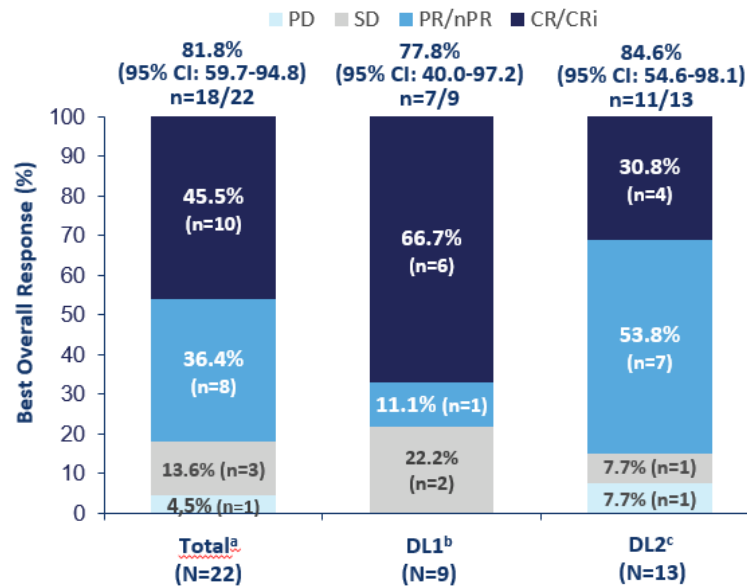
## Serious TEAEs Reported in >1 Patient

	All Patients (N=23)	DL1 (n=9)	DL2 (n=14)
Serious TEAEs of any grade, n (%)	13 (56.5)	4 (44.4)	9 (64.3)
Cytokine release syndrome	6 (26.1)	1 (11.1)	5 (35.7)
Pyrexia	4 (17.4)	3 (33.3)	1 (7.1)
Encephalopathy	3 (13.0)	1 (11.1)	2 (14.3)
Febrile neutropenia	3 (13.0)	0	3 (21.4)
Pneumonia	3 (13.0)	2 (22.2)	1 (7.1)
Acute kidney injury	2 (8.7)	2 (22.2)	0
Aphasia	2 (8.7)	1 (11.1)	1 (7.1)
Lung infection	2 (8.7)	1 (11.1)	1 (7.1)
Tumor lysis syndrome	2 (8.7)	0	2 (14.3)

- **There were 6 on-study deaths**
  - Disease progression, n=4
  - Grade 5 respiratory failure (DL1), n=1 (unrelated to liso-cel treatment)
  - Unknown reason, n=1

DL, dose level; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

## Best Overall Response and Undetectable MRD



Median study follow-up, 9 months | Minimum follow-up, 1 month

<sup>a</sup>Evaluable for response defined as having a pretreatment assessment and at least one postbaseline assessment; evaluable for MRD was defined as patients with detectable MRD at baseline. One patient was not evaluable for response. <sup>b</sup>50 × 10<sup>6</sup> CAR T+ cells. <sup>c</sup>100 × 10<sup>6</sup> CAR T+ cells.  
CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; CRI, complete response with incomplete blood count recovery; DL, dose level; MRD, minimal residual disease; NGS, next-generation sequencing; nPR, nodular partial response; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease; uMRD, undetectable minimal residual disease.



## Conclusions

**Liso-cel demonstrated manageable toxicity and promising clinical activity in a heavily pretreated patient population with high-risk CLL, all of whom had received prior ibrutinib, with over half also having received prior venetoclax**

- Adverse events were manageable at both dose levels
  - Low rates of grade 3 CRS (8.7%) and grade 3 or 4 NE (21.7%)
- At a median follow up of 9 months, liso-cel treatment resulted in a high proportion of durable responses, including complete responses, with a high best ORR of 82% and CR/CRi rate of 46%

**Clinical responses are rapid, improve over time, are deep and durable**

- The majority of responses (68%) and uMRD (60%) were achieved by Day 30
- 27% of patients showed deepening responses over time
- Durable objective responses (67%) and uMRD (64%) are maintained at 6 months post-dose
- 83% (5/6) of patients with CR at 6 months remain in CR, including 3 patients who maintain CR beyond 12 months

**These findings justify the conduct of the phase 2 portion of the study, which is currently enrolling at dose level 2 (100 × 10<sup>6</sup> CAR+ T cells)**

- The phase 1 portion continues to enroll a separate cohort of patients treated with liso-cel in combination with ibrutinib

CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CR, complete response; CRi, complete response with incomplete blood count recovery; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; MRD, minimal residual disease; NE, neurological events; ORR, overall response rate; uMRD4, undetectable minimal residual disease sensitivity 10<sup>-4</sup>.

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