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Aggressive Lymphome

Offenlegung potentieller Interessenskonflikte

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Anstellungsverhältnis, Führungsposition	Keine
Beratungs-/ Gutachtertätigkeit	Regeneron
Besitz von Geschäftsanteilen, Aktien oder Fonds	Keine
Patent, Urheberrecht, Verkaufslizenz	Patents for molecular subtyping of aggressive lymphoma
Honorare	AstraZeneca, BMS, Gilead
Finanzierung wissenschaftlicher Untersuchungen	Gilead (Reserach Award 2018)
Andere finanzielle Beziehungen	Keine
Immaterielle Interessenkonflikte	Keine

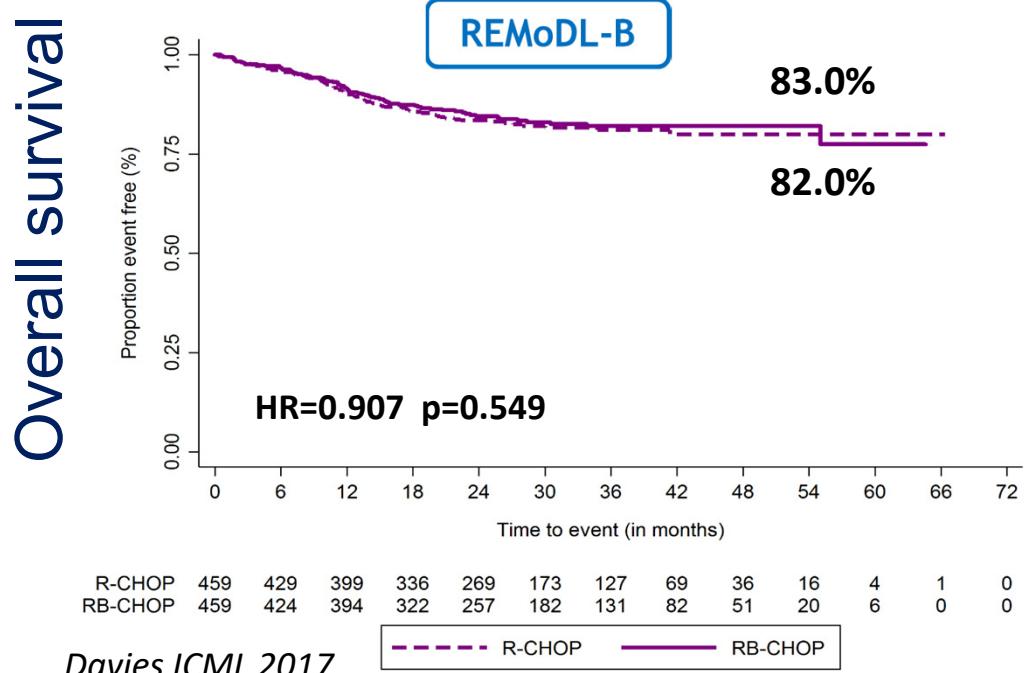
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Erstlinientherapie

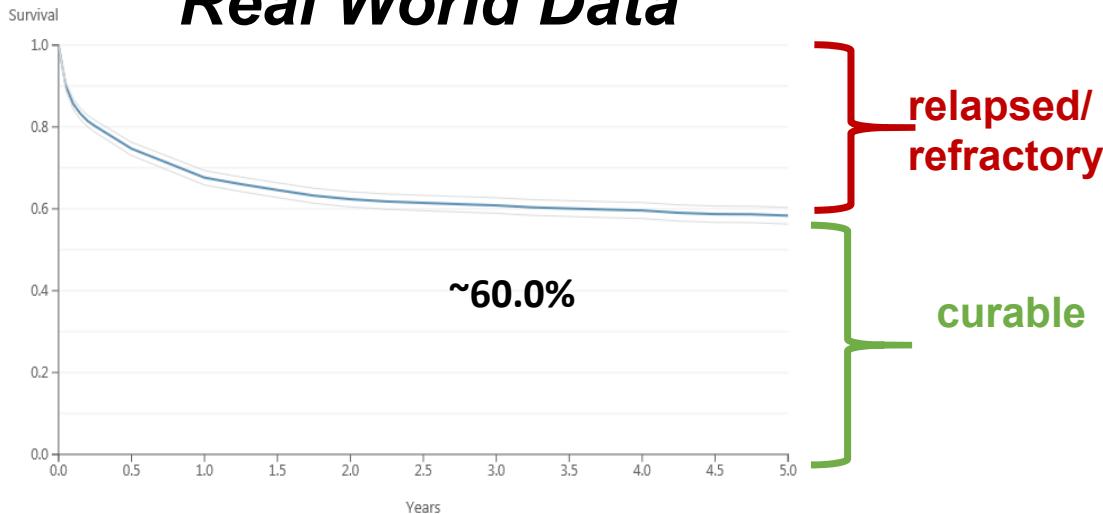
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DLBCL – A Curable Disease – Trial vs. Real World



Real World Data



- R-CHOP is the established standard in 1st line.
- Many all-comer trials failed their clinical endpoint.

How to Improve?

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Risk-adapted treatment

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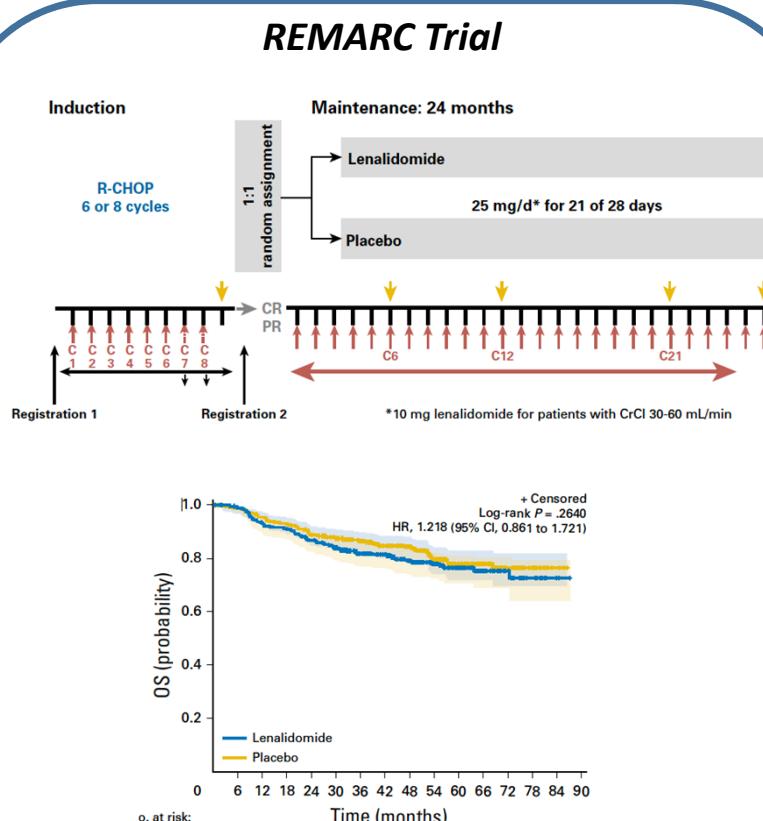


Biological-informed treatment

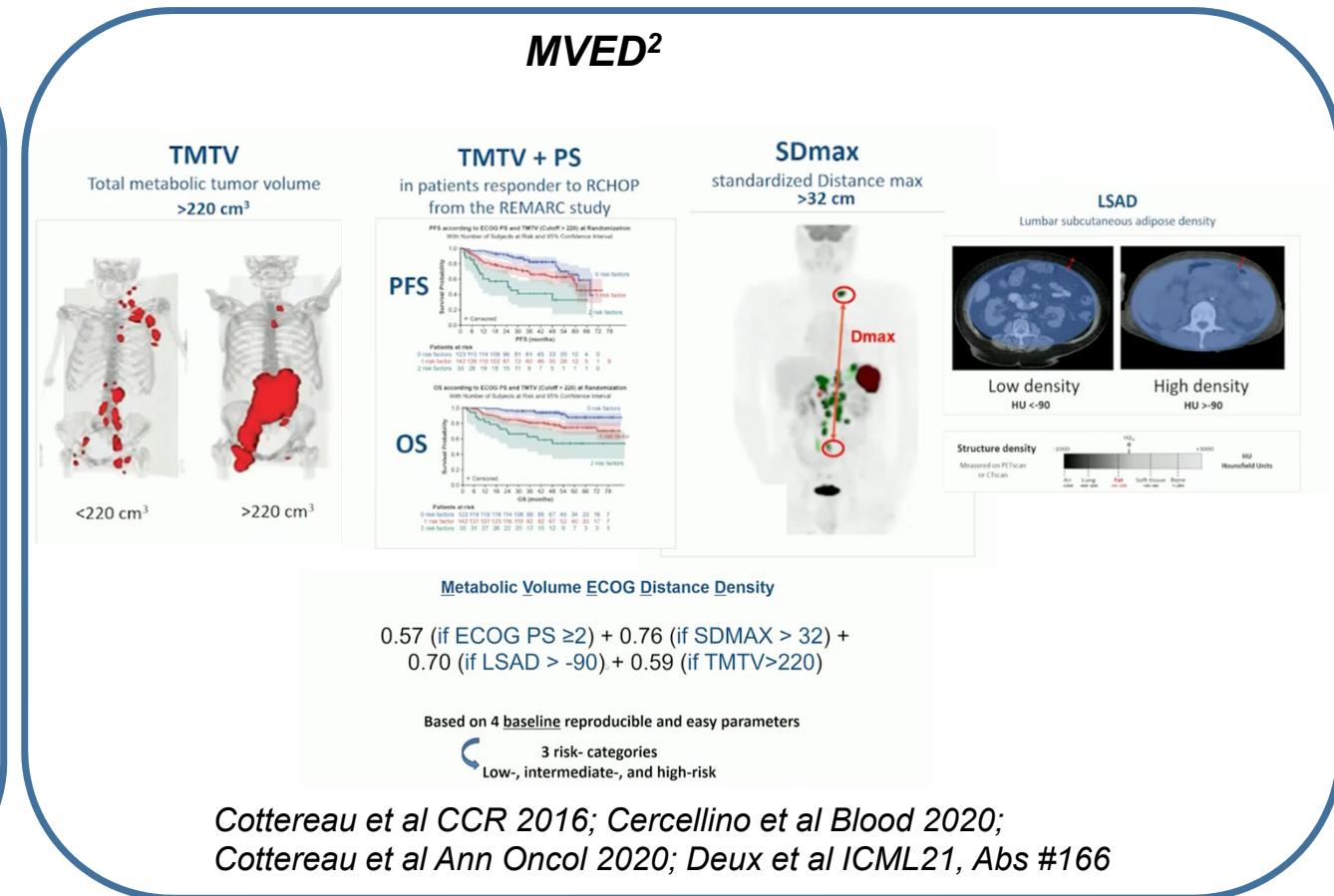
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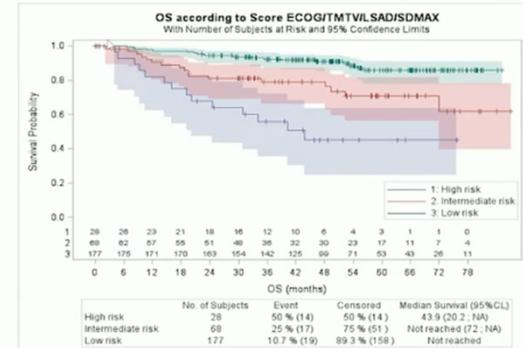
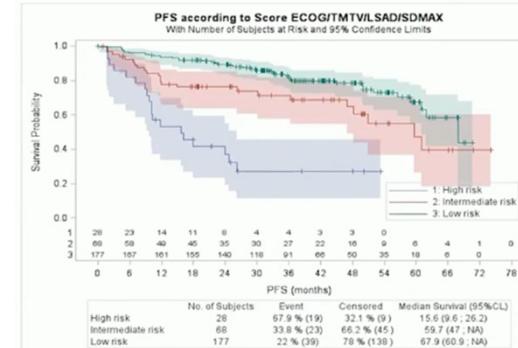
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Patient characteristics

Risk categories	Low n=177 (65%)	Intermediate n=68 (25%)	High n=28 (10%)	p
Sex Male	101 (57%)	41 (60%)	22 (60%)	0,089
Age >=70 years	62 (35%)	10 (50%)	10 (36%)	0,093
Stage III-IV	157 (89%)	64 (94%)	25 (89%)	0,092
ExtraNodal >=2	8 (4,5%)	48 (70%)	25 (89%)	<0,001
Bone Marrow involved	19 (11%)	17 (25%)	12 (43%)	<0,001
Elevated LDH	95 (54%)	49 (72%)	22(78%)	0,002
NCCN IPI low Int	63 (36%)	7 (10%)	0 (0%)	<0,001
High-Int	93 (52%)	44 (65%)	18 (64%)	
High	13 (7,3%)	13 (19%)	10 (36%)	
ABC profile	41 (23%)	10 (15%)	13 (46%)	0.046

Outcome



- Adipose tissue alteration as an independent prognostic factor (biology of tumor vs. host)
- Upfront radiographic score that may discriminate ultra-high-risk DLBCL patients, even R-CHOP responder

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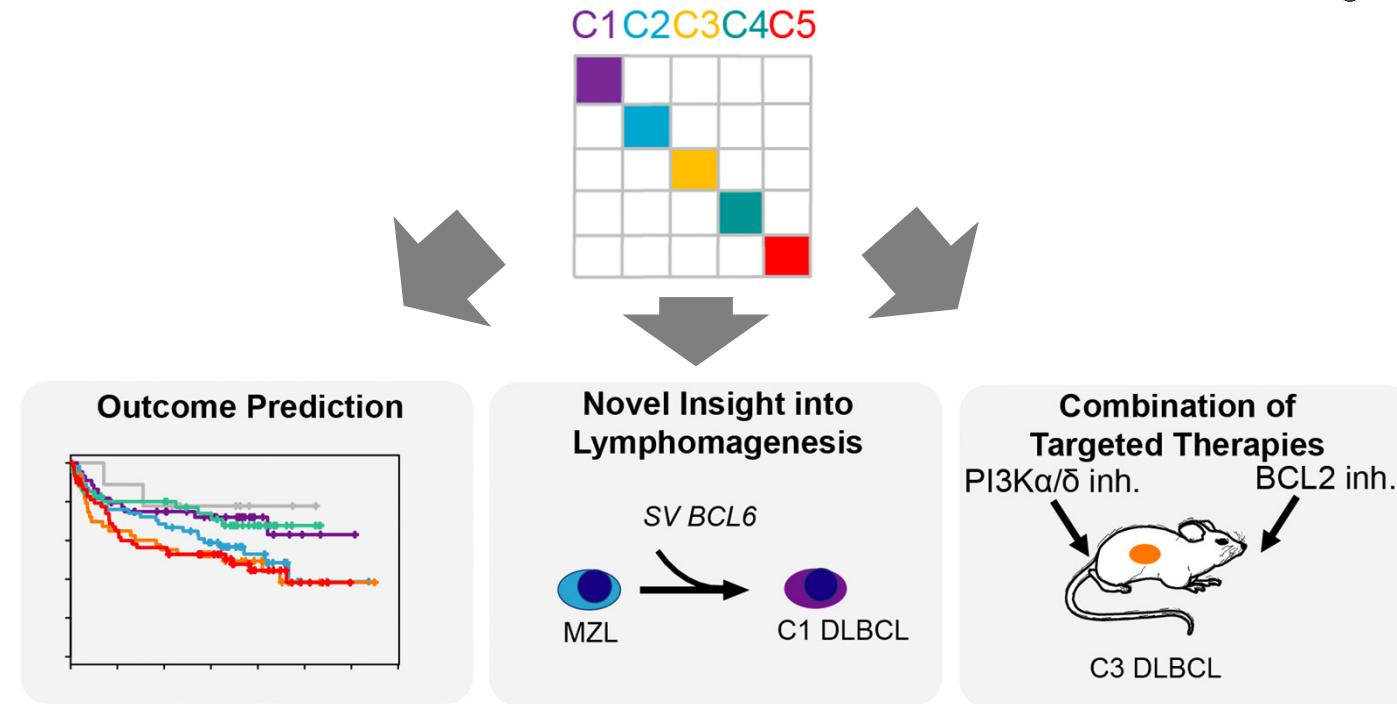
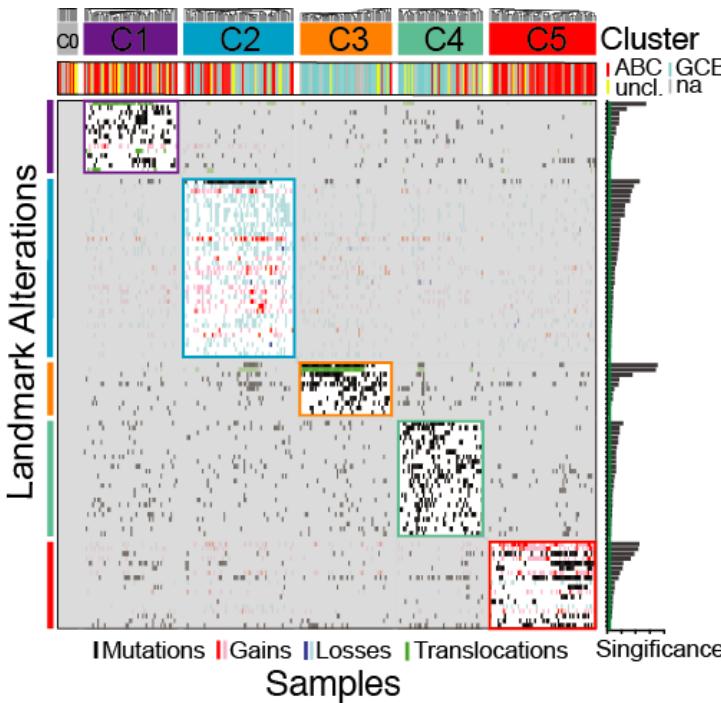


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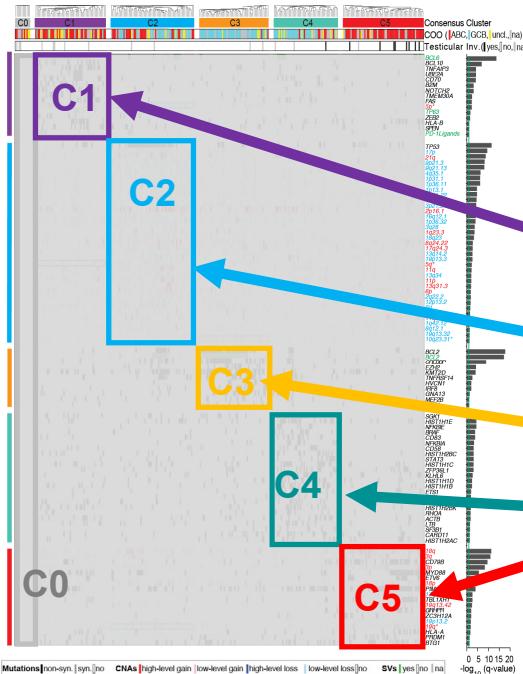
Genetically Distinct DLBCL Subtypes



→ Genetically-defined DLBCL subsets (C1-C5) predict different outcomes, provide novel insights into lymphomagenesis and suggest certain combinations of targeted therapies.

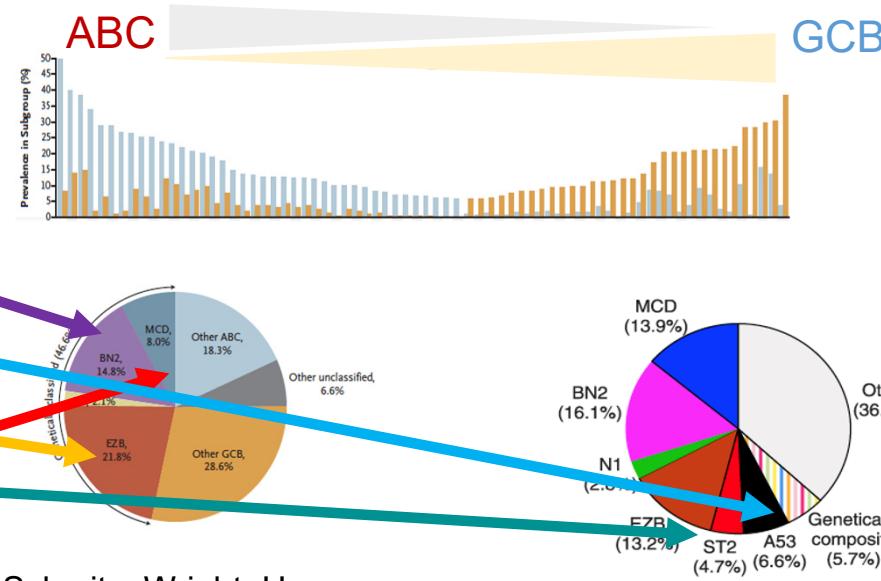
Genetic DLBCL Classifications

C1-C5 DLBCLs



Chapuy, Stewart, Dunford, et al. *Nat. Med.* 2018

MCD/BN2/EZB/N1/ST2/A53/Other DLBCLs



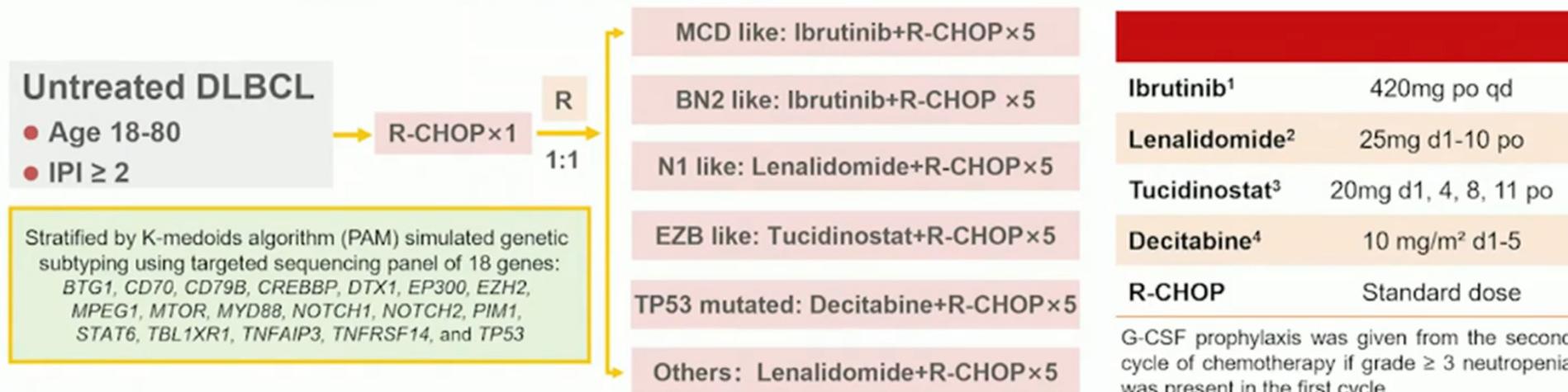
Schmitz, Wright, Huang,
Johnson, et al. *NEJM* 2018

Wright et al. *Cancer Cell* 2020

- DLBCL is genetically heterogeneous disease with at least 5 genetic subtypes.
- Field of very active research and therefore this represents a moving target.

026 – Genetic Subtype Guided Rituximab-based Immunochemotherapy Improves Outcome in Newly diagnosed DLBCL: First Report of a Randomized Phase 2 Study

- The study started from July, 2019.
- All patients were treated with ONE cycle of standard R-CHOP immediately at diagnosis.
- Patients were randomly assigned 1:1 and stratified by genetic subtype.
- Using targeted sequencing and FISH for BCL2, MYC translocation and BCL6 fusion to classify patients into six genetic subtypes MCD like, BN2 like, N1 like, EZB like, according to **NEJM classification (2018)**, TP53 mutation, and others.



1. Younes et al., J Clin Oncol 2019. 2. Nowakowski et al., J Clin Oncol 2021. 3. Zhang et al., Clin Epigenet 2020. 4. Zhang et al., ICML 2019 abstract (NCT02951728)

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- Primary end point: CR rate
- Secondary end point: PFS, OS, ORR and safety
- Key Eligible Criteria: de novo DLBLC, age 18-80, IPI \geq 2, ECOG \geq 2, EF $>$ 50%
- Patient characteristics:

	Total (n=128)	R-CHOP-X (n=64)	R-CHOP (n=64)
Age (year): Median (range)	64 (25-74)	64 (29-74)	64.5 (25-74)
Gender-Male: n (%)	67 (52)	32 (50)	35 (55)
Stage III-IV: n (%)	99 (77)	47 (73)	52 (81)
Elevated LDH: n (%)	102 (80)	53 (83)	49 (77)
Extranodal sites \geq 2: n (%)	66 (52)	33 (52)	33 (52)
ECOG performance status 0-1: n (%)	106 (83)	54 (84)	52 (81)
IPI 3-5: n (%)	83 (65)	42 (66)	41 (64)

- Baseline characteristics were comparable between arms
- High risk population: 65% of IPI \geq 3, 77% of advanced stage

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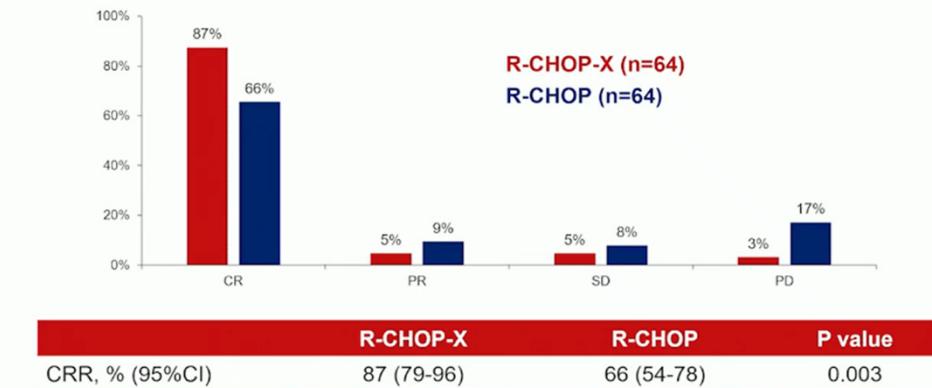
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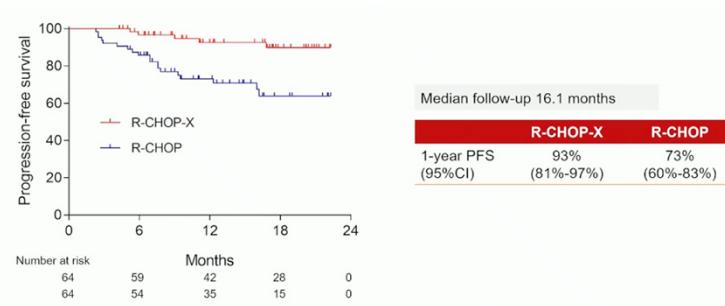
Molecular Characteristics

	Total (n=128)	R-CHOP-X (n=64)	R-CHOP (n=64)
Cell of origin: n (%)	GCB	48 (38)	28 (42)
	Non-GCB	80 (62)	37 (58)
MYC/BCL2 double expression: n (%)	DE	46 (36)	24 (38)
	Non-DE	82 (64)	42 (63)
Genetic subtype: n (%)	MCD like	26 (20)	13 (20)
	BN2 like	23 (18)	11 (17)
TP53 mutation	N1 like	5 (4)	3 (5)
	EZB like	3 (2)	1 (2)
TP53 mutation	Others	50 (39)	25 (39)

Primary end point : CR-rate



Secondary end point : PFS-rate



- Molecular-informed, randomized phase II trial that met the primary end point
- Increased CR, mainly due to MCD, BN2 and A53
- **Caveat:** Small study, selection bias (fit young pat that benefited from ibrutinib)

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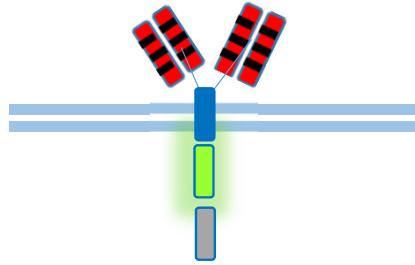
Kapitel 2

Refraktäre und Rezidivierte DLBCL

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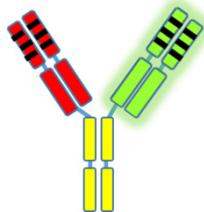
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What is new?



CARTs

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antibodies

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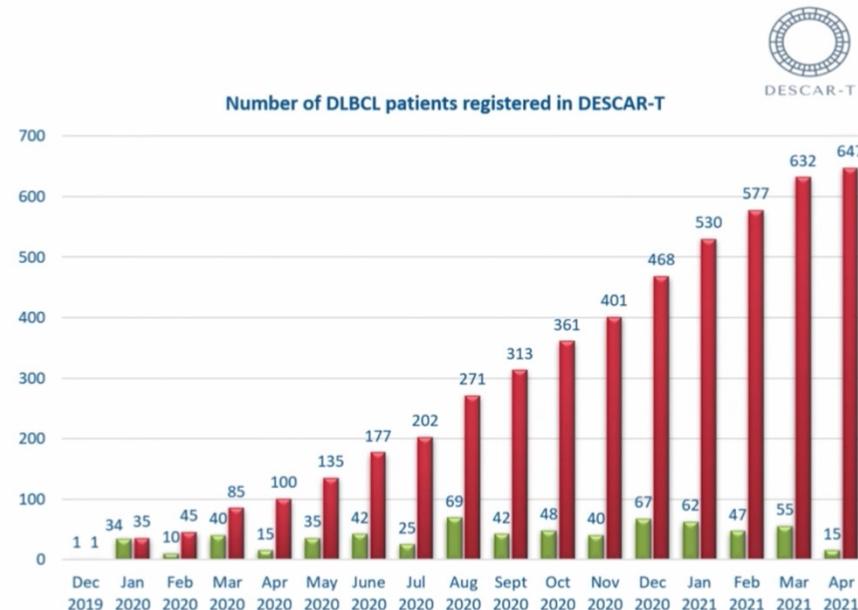
RESULTS: INCLUSIONS

Date: 12/04/2021

23 sites are qualified for CAR-T cells therapy and DESCAR-T

19 enrolling sites

Number of enrolled patients :
N = 647 DLBCL



- Large registry, real world data
- Collect for at least 15 years
- Preliminary analysis,
 - ➔ CAR T-cells are feasible
 - ➔ No new toxicity and/or safety signal,
 - ➔ but....

Steven Le Gouill et al., ICML 2021

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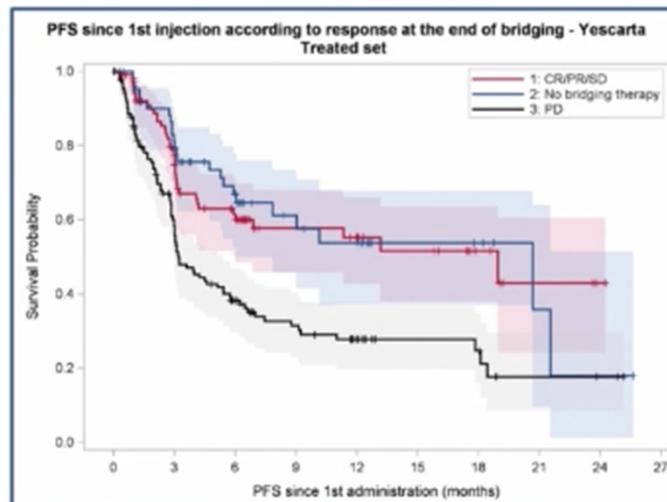
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PFS at 6 months[#]:

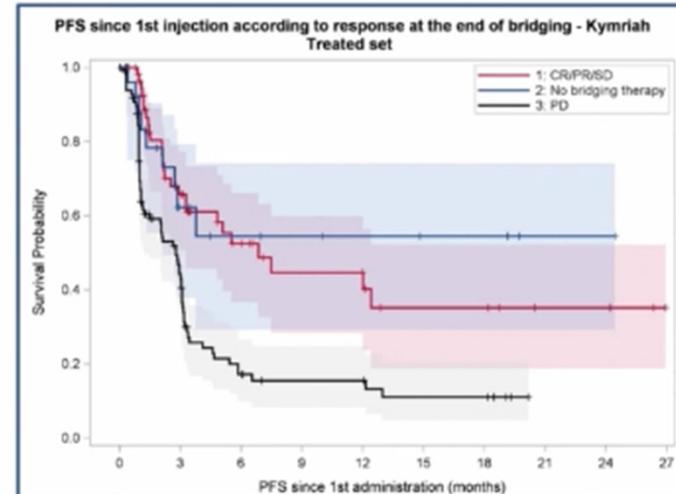
- CR/PR/SD = 61.4% [50– 71] (n=116)
- No bridging = 66.9% [52.5 – 77.9] (n=75)
- PD = 38.2% [29.5 – 46.9] (n=139)



Tisa-cel

PFS at 6 months * :

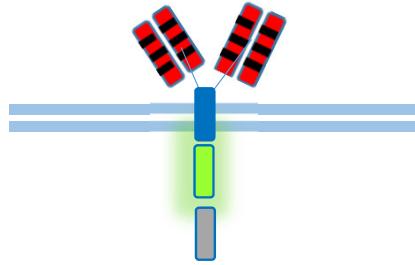
- CR/PR/SD = 52.5% [36.7 – 66] (n=57)
- No Bridging = 54.4% [29.2 – 74.1] (n=34)
- PD = 17.1% [9.7 – 26.4] (n=100)



➔ Remission before CAR T-cell reinfusion matters

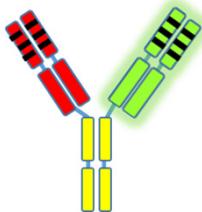
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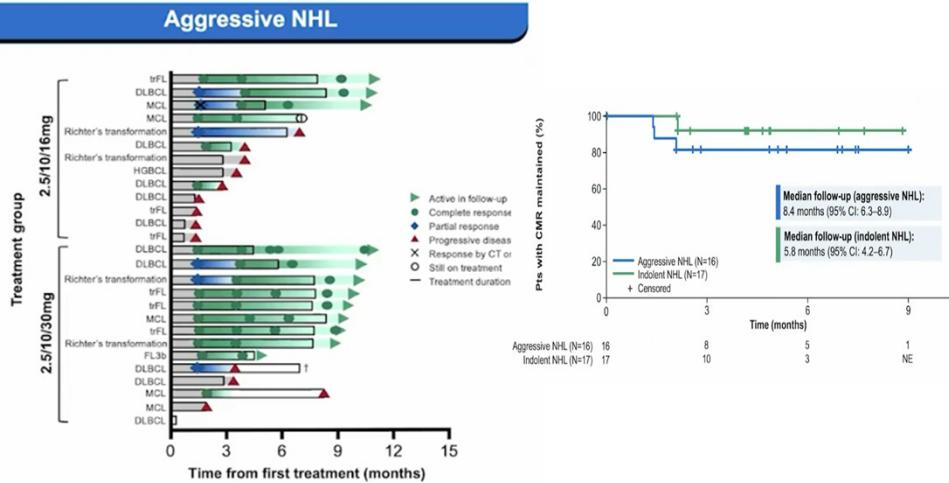
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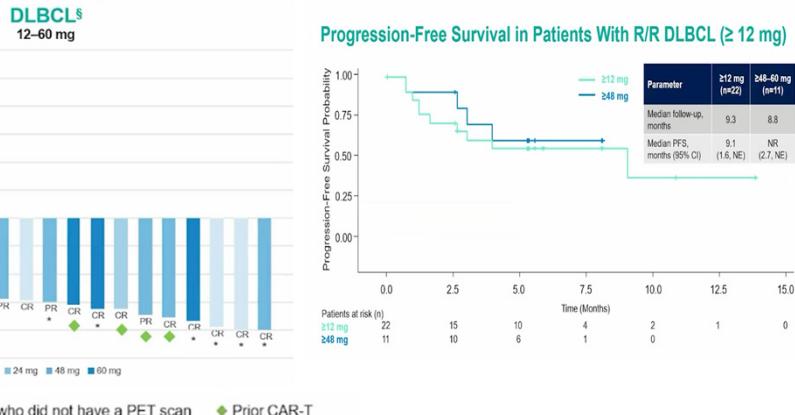
CD20 x CD3 Bispecific Antibodies

Glofitamab



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Epcoritamab



Hutchings M, Copenhagen (016)

- ➔ Updates of previously reported very promising early safety and efficacy signals
 - ➔ Optimized dosing (SUD) and application (after naked CD20, s.c.) make them BiMabs feasible
 - ➔ Active post-CAR T-cells at different CD20 expression levels
 - ➔ *Caveat:* at this point small studies with selection bias; longer follow-up needed

Zusammenfassung

Erstlinie DLBCL

- Identifikation von Hochrisiko-Patient:innen, z.B. neue radiomics Strategie (Fettgewebssignaturen)
 - Biologisch-stratifizierten Therapieansätzen sind durchführbar
- R-CHOP (like) bleibt Standard

Refraktäre und rezidivierte DLBCL

- CAR-T Zell Ansätze sind durchführbar, sicher und in der Breite angekommen
- Remissionsstatus vor Re-infusion scheint wichtig und unterstreicht die Rolle von Brückenthalerapien
- Bispezifische Antikörper zeigen ein vielversprechendes Sicherheits- und Effektivitätssignal

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