



Perlmutter Cancer Center  
Multiple Myeloma Research Program

# ASH 2022 UPDATE - MULTIPLE MYELOMA

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# DISCLOSURES

## **Advisory boards**

- Amgen
- AbbVie
- BMS/Celgene
- GSK
- Janssen
- Meridian Therapeutics
- Oncopeptide
- Regeneron
- Sanofi
- Takeda

Off label drug use – bispecific antibodies and ADCs

# Areas with new important data

- Data concerning population screening for plasma cell dyscrasia (iSTOP study)
- Treatment of high risk smoldering
- Upfront therapy – frail, high risk
- Maintenance
- Relapse therapy
- Disease monitoring (MRD analysis, mass spec)
  
- Single cell analysis of tumor and microenvironment

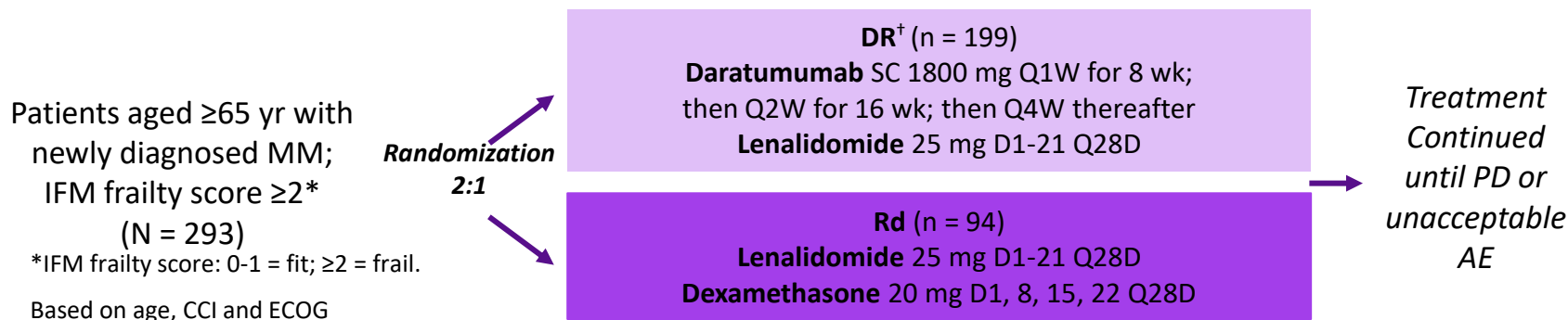
## Newly diagnosed – Elderly frail patients

- Fitness and ability to tolerate MM treatment varies among older patients
  - Frailty is associated with increased risk of death, disease progression, higher rates of non-hematologic AEs, and treatment discontinuation in patients with MM
- DRd is a standard regimen for newly diagnosed transplant-ineligible patients with MM, but rates of pneumonia are higher with DRd vs Rd, particularly in frail patients
- IFM 2017-03 is a phase III trial evaluating whether a dexamethasone-sparing regimen of daratumumab + lenalidomide would be effective and limit toxicity in frail patients compared with lenalidomide + dexamethasone<sup>5</sup>
  - Current interim analysis at 12 months of therapy reported on response and safety<sup>5</sup>

# IFM 2017-03

- Randomized, open-label, multicenter phase III trial

*Stratification by ISS (I vs II vs III) and age (<80 vs ≥80 yr)*



†DR included low-dose dexamethasone 20 mg/wk during cycles 1,2, along with SC daratumumab dosing.

- Primary endpoint: PFS (not yet reported)
- Interim analysis at 12 mo of therapy: ORR, ≥ VGPR, MRD rate, grade ≥3 AEs

# Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	DR (n = 199)	Rd (n = 94)
Median age, yr (range)	81 (68-92)	81 (68-90)
Age category, n (%)		
▪ 65 to <70 yr	2 (1)	2 (2)
▪ 70 to <75 yr	30 (15)	13 (14)
▪ 75 to <80 yr	49 (25)	19 (20)
▪ ≥80 yr	118 (59)	61 (65)
Female, n (%)	101 (51)	48 (51)
ECOG PS 0/1/2, %	10/46/44	10/50/40
Charlson ≤1, n (%)	113 (58)	57 (61)
IFM frailty score, n (%)		
▪ ≤1	0	0
▪ 2	57 (29)	35 (37)
▪ 3	81 (41)	26 (28)
▪ 4	44 (22)	24 (26)
▪ 5	17 (9)	9 (10)

Characteristic	DR (n = 199)	Rd (n = 94)
ISS disease stage I/II/III, %	17/51/32	19/53/28
Measurable disease type, n (%)		
▪ IgG	113 (57)	49 (52)
▪ IgA	38 (19)	20 (21)
▪ PBJ only	21 (11)	10 (11)
▪ SFLC only	27 (14)	15 (16)
Cytogenetics profile,* n (%)		
▪ Standard risk	148 (83)	60 (78)
▪ High risk	31 (17)	17 (22)
▪ del17p	16 (9)	11 (14)
▪ t(4;14)	9 (5)	5 (6)
▪ t(14;16)	6 (3)	3 (3)
Creatinine clearance, n (%)		
▪ <30 mL/min	1 (1)	3 (3)
▪ 30 to <60 mL/min	119 (60)	50 (53)
▪ ≥60 mL/min	79 (40)	41 (44)

# Response Rates

Response	DR (n = 199)	Rd (n = 94)	P Value
ORR, %	96	85	.001
▪ CR	17	10	
▪ VGPR	47	33	
▪ PR	32	42	
≥ VGPR	64	43	
MRD at $10^{-5}$ by NGS,* %	10	3	.012

- Similar improvement in rate of ≥ VGPR with DR across all subgroups analyzed, including IFM frailty score ( $P = .87$ ) and cytogenetic risk ( $P = .29$ )
- Fewer discontinuations in DR arm vs Rd arm (32% vs 45%)

# Safety

Most Common Grade $\geq 3$ AEs	DR (n = 199)	Rd (n = 94)	P Value
Any grade $\geq 3$ AE, n (%)	164 (82)	64 (68)	.010
SAE, n (%)	109 (55)	59 (63)	.21
Grade $\geq 3$ hematologic AEs, n (%)	109 (55)	24 (26)	<.0001
▪ Anemia	21 (11)	2 (2)	.010
▪ Neutropenia	91 (46)	17 (18)	<.0001
▪ Thrombocytopenia	18 (9)	3 (3)	.089
Grade $\geq 3$ infection, n (%)	26 (13)	17 (18)	.29
▪ Non-COVID-19 infections	17 (9)	13 (14)	.21
▪ Pneumonia	5 (3)	7 (7)	.060
▪ COVID-19	9 (5)	4 (4)	1
Treatment discontinuation for AE, n (%)	27 (14)	15 (16)	.65



# Safety by IFM Frailty Score Subgroups

Most Common Grade ≥3 AEs	IFM Frailty Score 2 + 3 (n = 199)			IFM Frailty Score 4 + 5 (n = 94)		
	DR (n = 138)	Rd (n = 61)	<i>P</i> Value	DR (n = 61)	Rd (n = 33)	<i>P</i> Value
SAE, n (%)	74 (54)	35 (57)	.65	35 (57)	24 (73)	.18
Infection, n (%)	13 (9)	8 (13)	.46	13 (21)	9 (27)	.61
▪ Non-COVID-19 infections	10 (7)	6 (10)	.58	7 (11)	7 (21)	.23
▪ Pneumonia	2 (1)	3 (5)	.17	3 (5)	4 (12)	.24
▪ COVID-19	3 (2)	2 (3)	.64	6 (10)	2 (6)	.71

## Conclusions

- In phase III IFM 2017-03 trial assessing frail patients with newly diagnosed MM, DR was associated with higher response rates vs Rd
  - ORR: 96% with DR vs 85% with Rd
  - Higher MRD negativity rates (10% vs 3%, respectively) and rapid responses
- DR associated with favorable safety profile and no increased risk of infection or pneumonia compared to Rd
  - Treatment discontinuation rates were similar between arms
- Encouraging potential for dexamethasone-sparing strategy in frail patients, but longer follow-up is needed, with PFS



64<sup>th</sup> ASH  
Annual Meeting



**Extended intensified post-ASCT consolidation with Daratumumab, Bortezomib, Lenalidomide and Dexamethasone (Dara-VRd) for Ultra-High Risk (UHiR) Newly Diagnosed Myeloma (NDMM) and Primary Plasma Cell Leukemia (pPCL): the UK OPTIMUM/MUKnine Trial.**

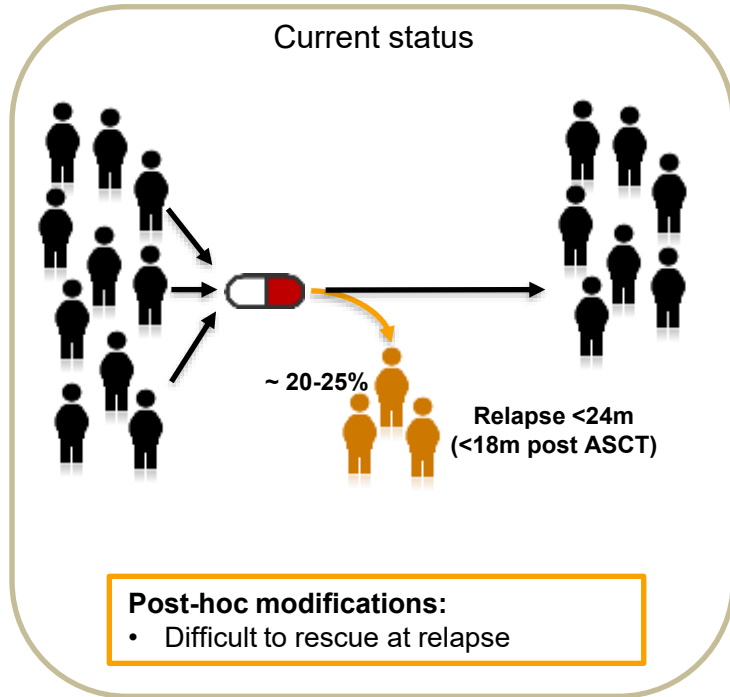
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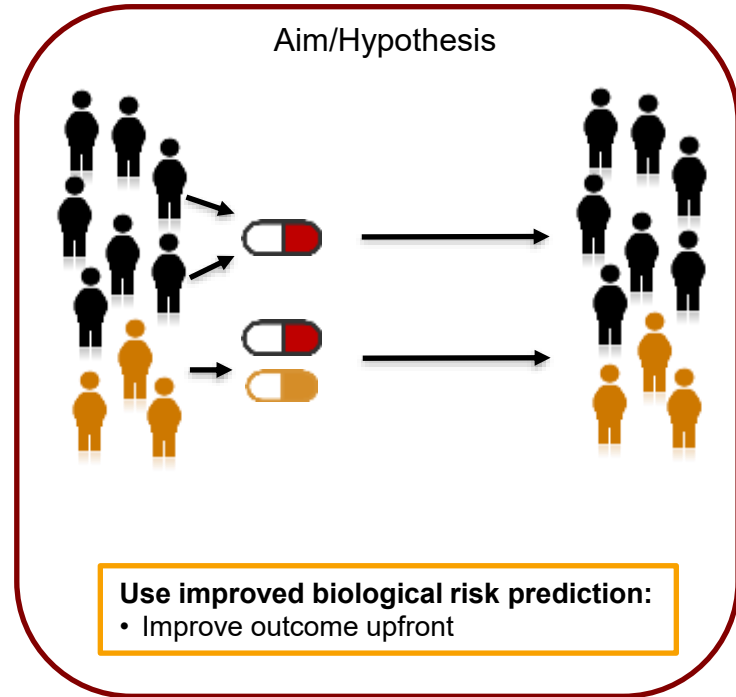
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# High-Risk MM - the unmet need



ASCT = autologous stem cell transplantation

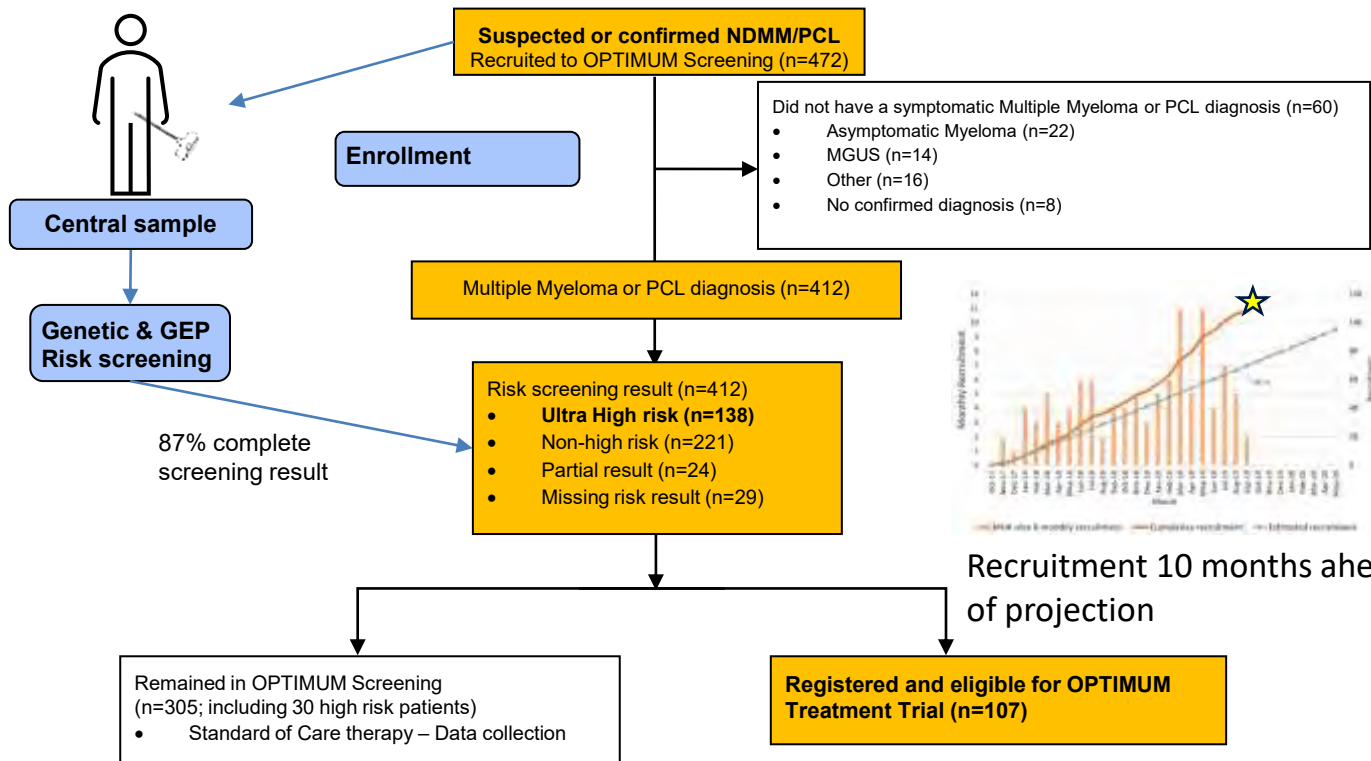


Currently no uniform treatment standard



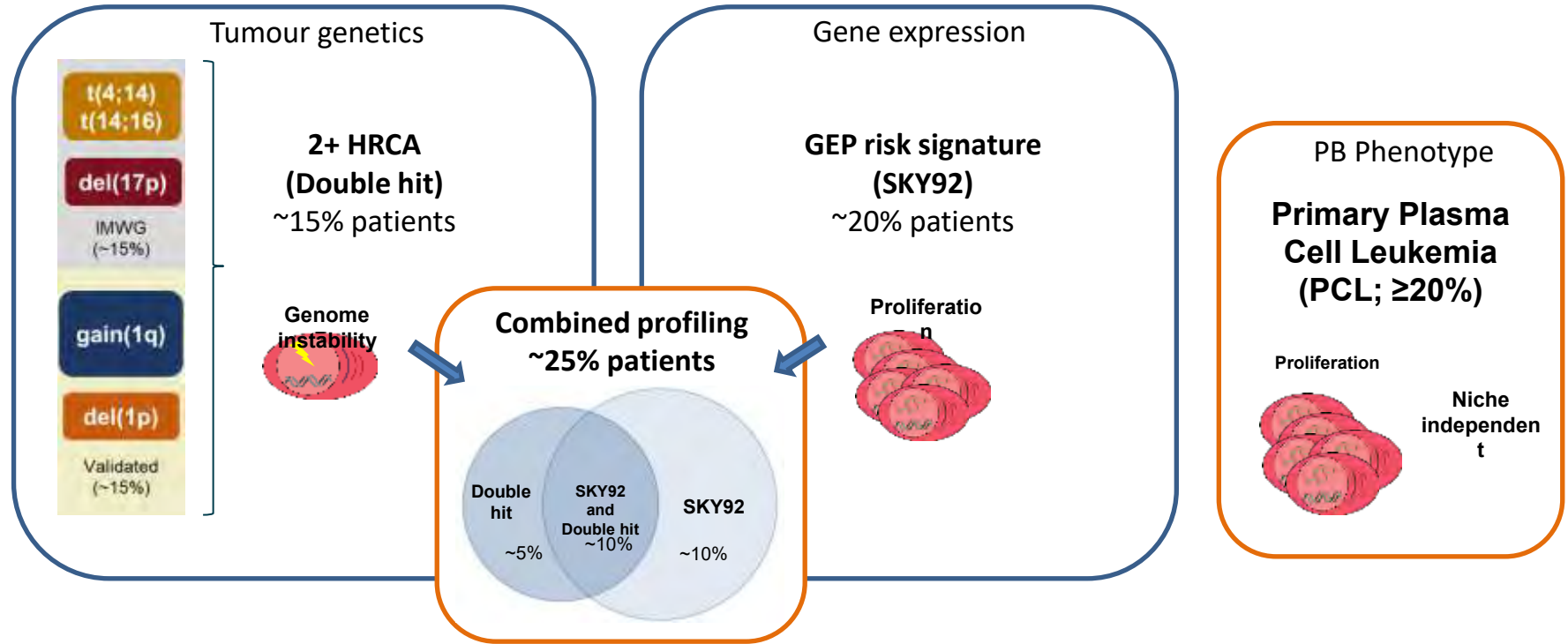
# UK multi-centre phase 2 trial for UHiR MM and PCL - Screening protocol

39 NHS hospitals  
Mostly community (DGH)  
Sep 2017 – Jul 2019

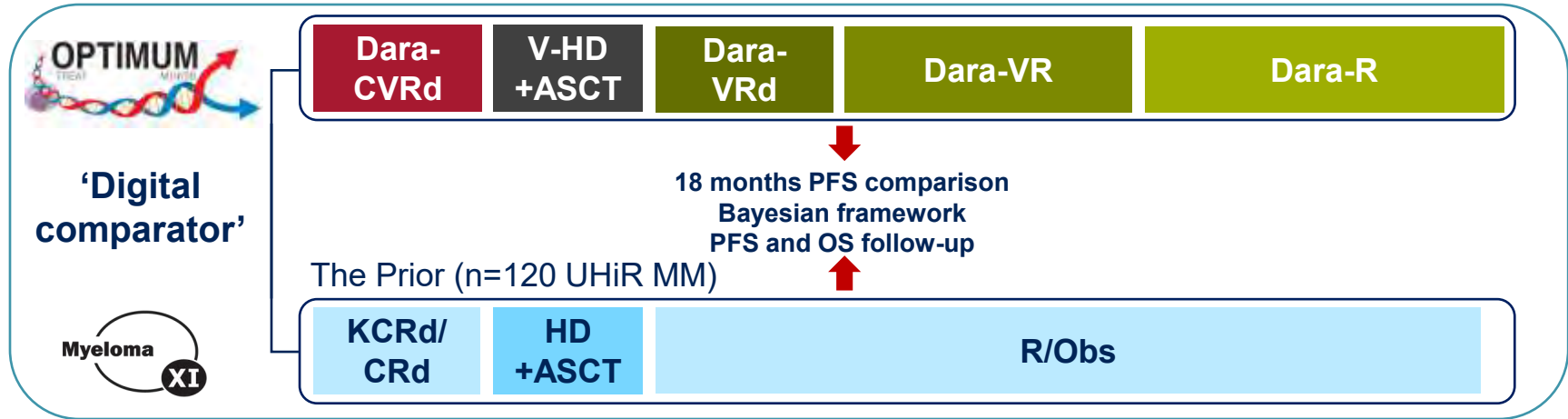


Recruitment 10 months ahead of projection

# Trial screening for UHiR MM, inclusive for PCL



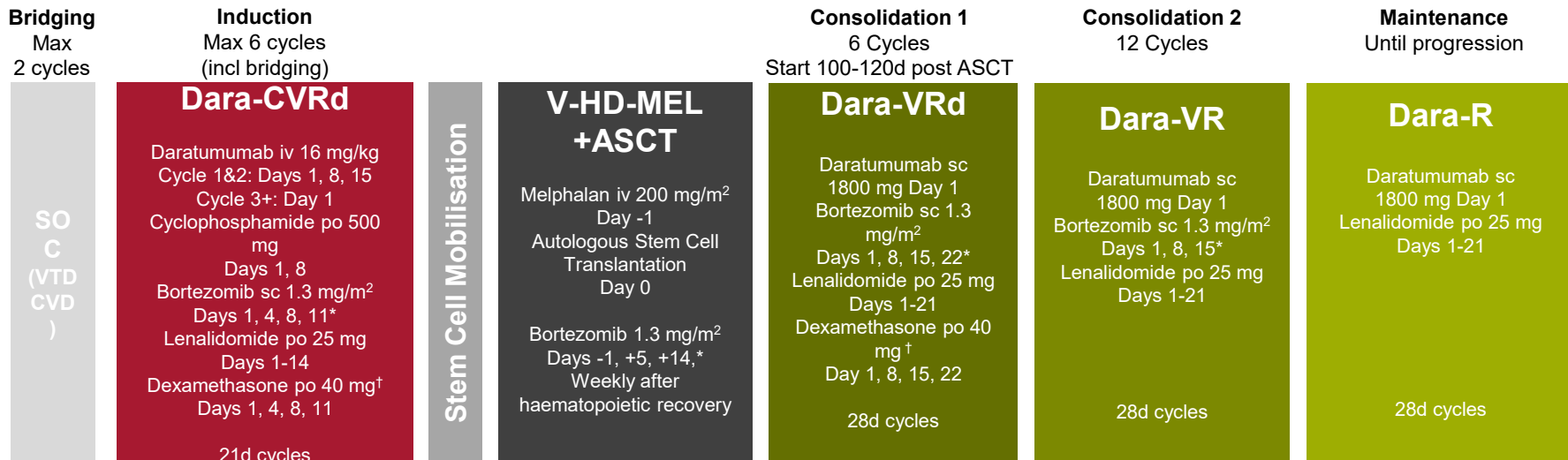
# Clinical UHiR context – digital comparator trial



**OPTIMUM design** (appraisal framework for external comparator trials (Thorlund et al., 2020)):

- **Currently no treatment standard for UHiR group – UK standard at design: VTD, single ASCT, observation**
- **Mirrored molecular UHiR criteria** (Double hit and/or SKY92 risk signature)
- **Contemporaneous external dataset: most recent UK phase 3 Myeloma XI trial for NDMM**
  - KCRd (carfilzomib, cyclophosphamide, lenalidomide, dexamethasone) or CRd induction  
At time of design randomisation result not yet available
- **Recruitment in same healthcare system**
  - Same NHS hospitals/geography, virtually identical trial entry criteria

# Trial therapy



\*Permissive bortezomib dose reduction schedule  
 †20mg for elderly/frailer



MRD time points

## Trial objectives

Evaluate efficacy of Dara-(C)VRd before and after ASCT in Ultra High-Risk MM and PCL

- Progression free survival at 18 months compared against The Prior
- **Progression free and overall survival end of Consolidation 2**
- MRD at key timepoints
- Determine safety and toxicity of Dara-CVRd induction and Dara-VRd consolidation



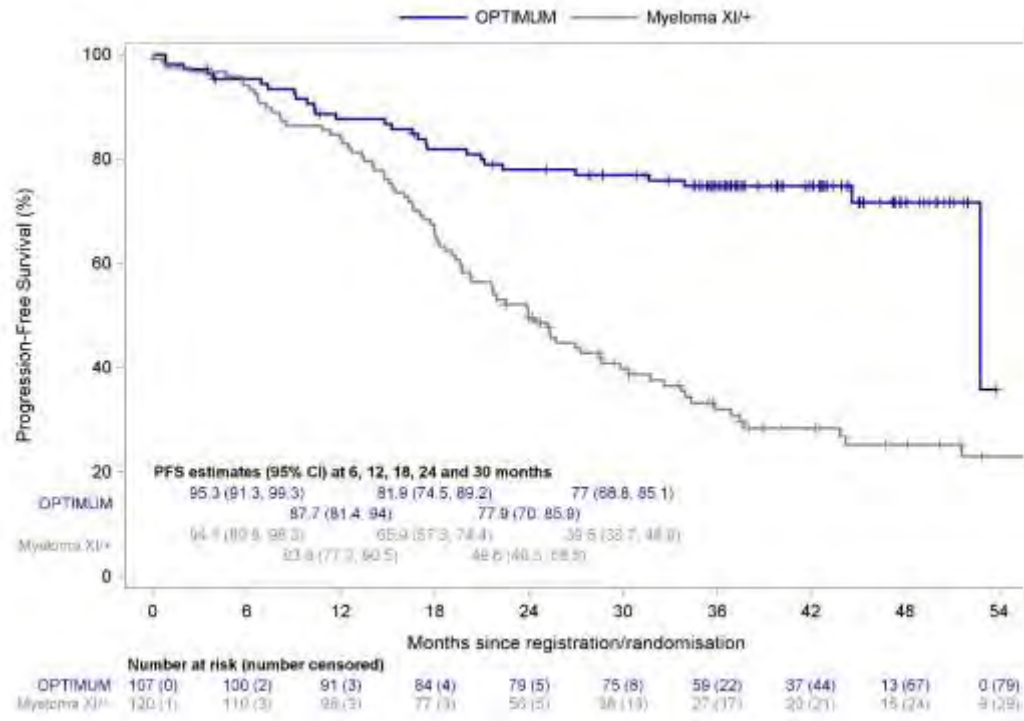
# UHiR populations: OPTIMUM and Myeloma XI

Patient Characteristics	OPTIMUM (n=107)	Myeloma XI (n=120)
<b>Median age, yrs (range)</b>	60 (35-78)	62 (33-69)
<b>Male, n (%)</b>	64 (60%)	69 (58%)
<b>ISS Stage 1, n (%)</b>	29 (27%)	23 (19%)
Stage 2, n (%)	43 (40%)	53 (44%)
Stage 3, n (%)	34 (32%)	38 (32%)
missing, n (%)	1 (1%)	6 (5%)
<b>ECOG Performance Status</b>		
0, n (%)	51 (48%)	47 (39%)
1, n (%)	42 (39%)	46 (38%)
≥2, n (%)	10 (9%)	22 (18%)
missing, n (%)	4 (4%)	5 (4%)
<b>Molecular profiles</b>		
Double hit genetics, n (%)	57 (53%)	55 (56%)*
SKY92 risk signature present, n (%)	82 (77%)	72 (72%)*
Both Double hit and SKY92, n (%)	33 (31%)	28 (29%)*

\* in relation to 98 patients with complete GEP and genetic profiles

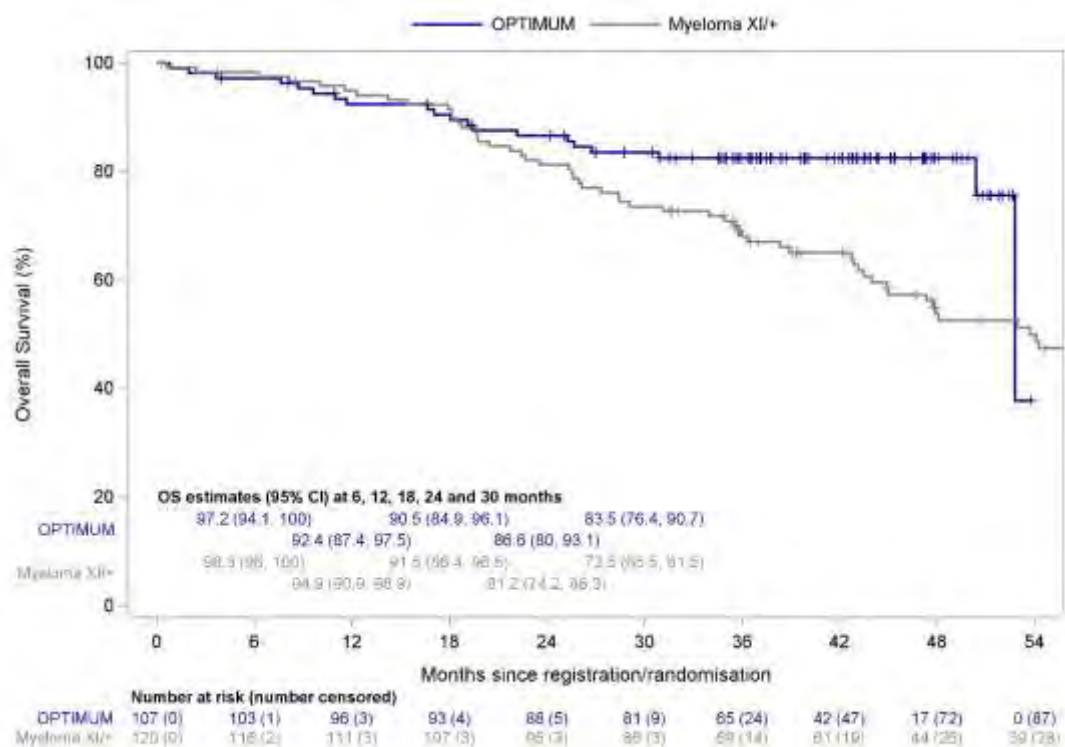
**Comparable clinical & molecular characteristics**

# Extended Follow-up: End of Dara-VR Consolidation 2 OPTIMUM vs. Myeloma XI: PFS



**Median follow-up  
41.2 months**

# Extended Follow-up: End of Dara-VR Consolidation OPTIMUM vs. Myeloma XI: OS



**Median follow-up  
41.2 months**

# Dose Reductions during Consolidation 2

n=80 patients, including earlier reductions

Trial protocol encouraged early reductions (grade 1 AR)

Modification of therapy	Daratumumab	Bortezomib	Lenalidomide
No modification	79 (98.8%)	48 (69.0%)	46 (57.5%)
Hematological toxicity	0 (0%)	11 (28.8%)	17 (21.3%)
Non-Hematological toxicity	0 (0%)	26 (32.5%)	20 (25.0%)
Other	1 (1.3%)	1 (1.3%)	3 (3.8%)

# Summary



- Collaborative trial designed with patients to address unmet need within healthcare system requirements
- Extended intensified consolidation with Dara-VR(d) is an effective treatment option for UHiR MM and PCL patients
- Continued improvement of PFS for OPTIMUM vs. Myeloma XI UHiR patients
- Early positive OS signal for OPTIMUM vs Myeloma XI UHiR patients
- Ongoing intensive consolidation required individualised dose reductions, but was tolerable for most patients, with cytopenia and infection main AEs
- OPTIMUM design explicitly balanced intensity and toxicity vs. high unmet need
- Successful recruitment suggests high unmet need for better diagnostics and therapy
- Results support allocation of resources to unmet need in restricted healthcare systems

# Defining the optimum duration of lenalidomide maintenance after autologous stem cell transplant – data from the Myeloma XI trial.

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# Lenalidomide maintenance after ASCT



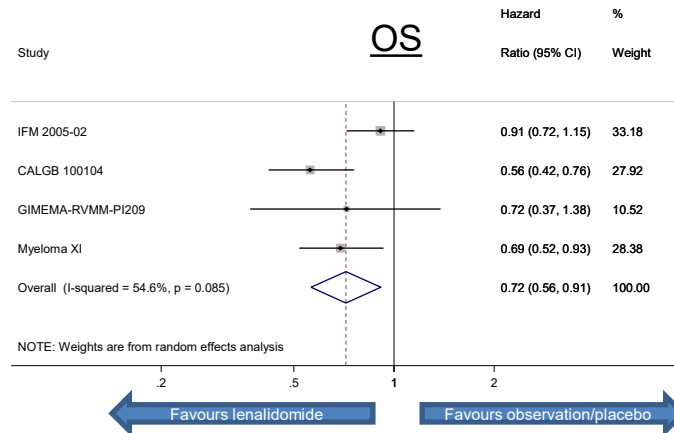
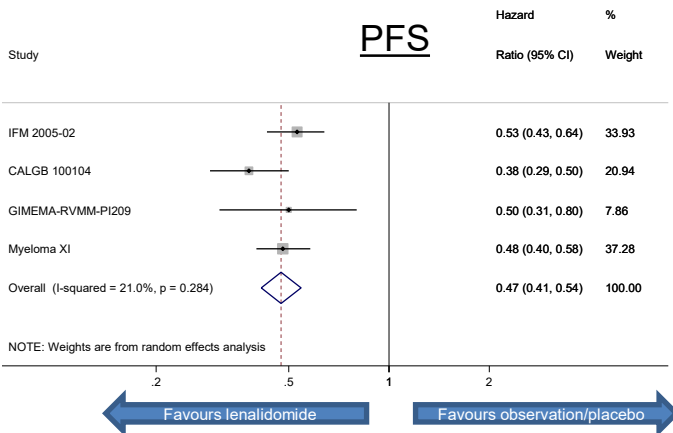
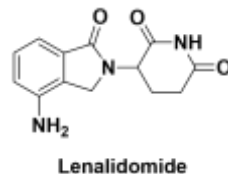
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ASCT/consolidation

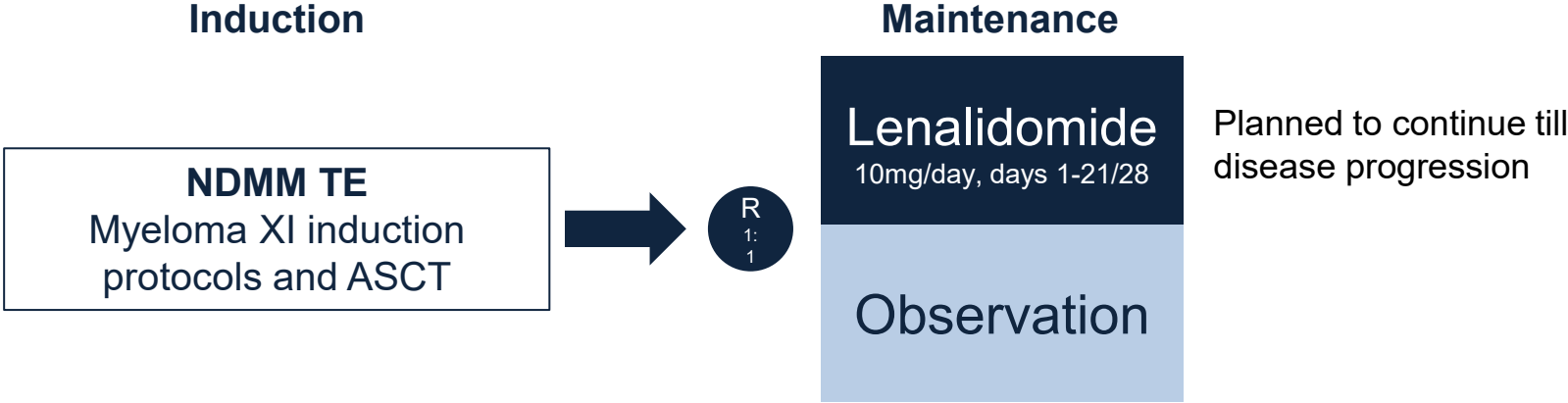


Maintenance



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# Myeloma XI



**N=1248**

Median follow up: 44.7 months (IQR 32.4-62.7)

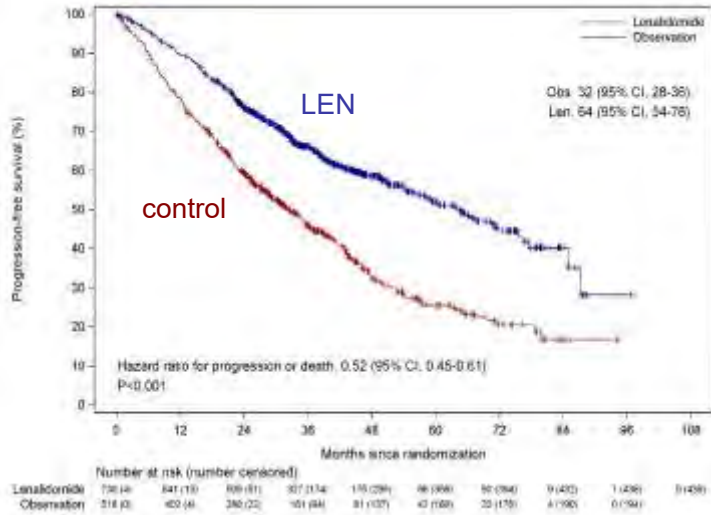
**Exclusion criteria**

- Failure to respond to lenalidomide as induction IMiD or progressive disease
- Previous or concurrent active malignancies
- Dialysis dependent renal failure



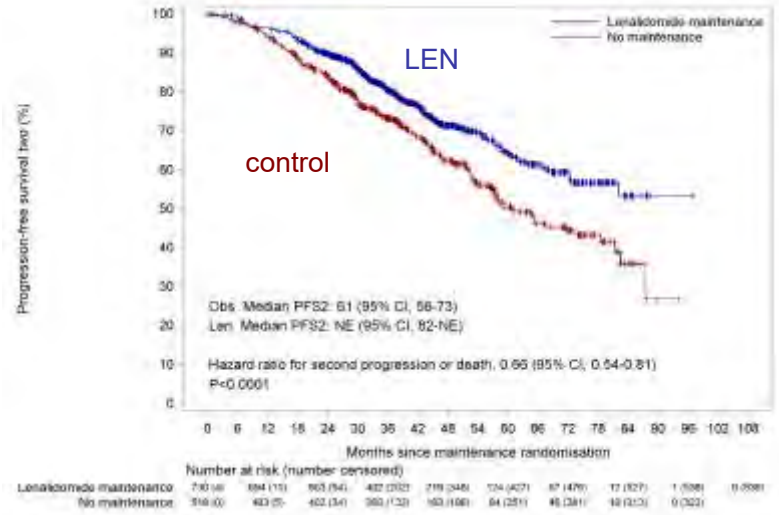
# Outcomes from maintenance randomisation – overall population

PFS



Hazard Ratio 0.52\*

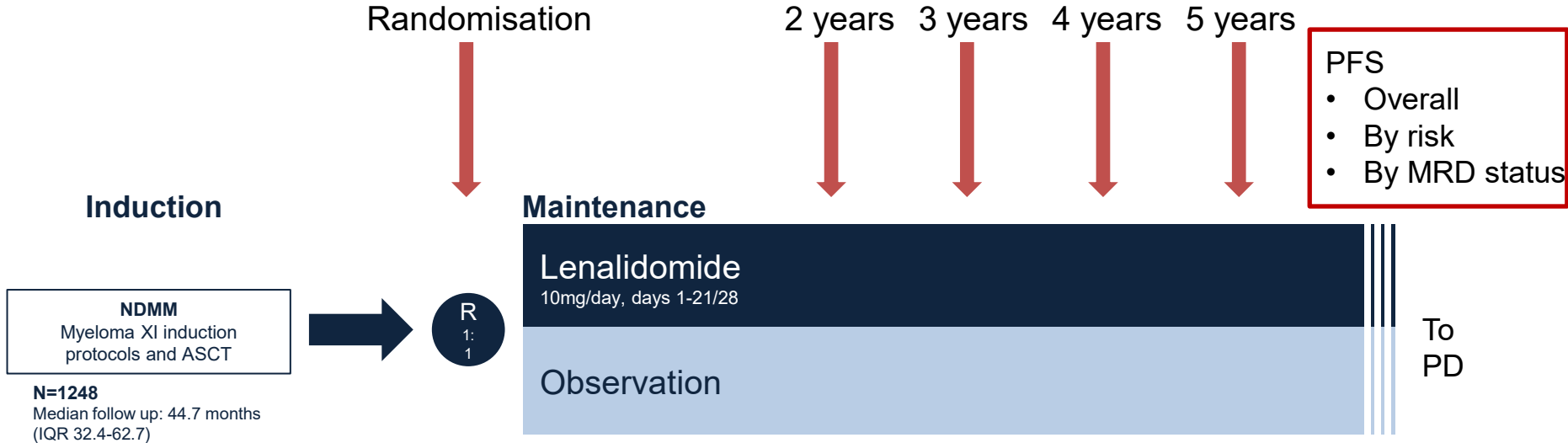
PFS2



Hazard Ratio 0.66\*



# Multiple landmark analyses



Median duration of lenalidomide therapy 28 cycles (range 1-96)

- Patients still on therapy 330/730 (45%)

# Outcomes from multiple landmarks – overall population

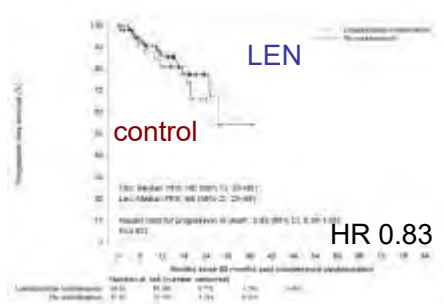
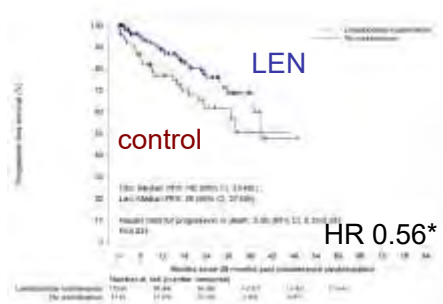
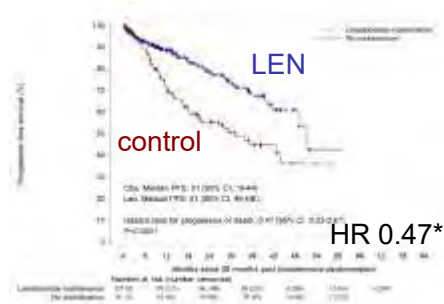
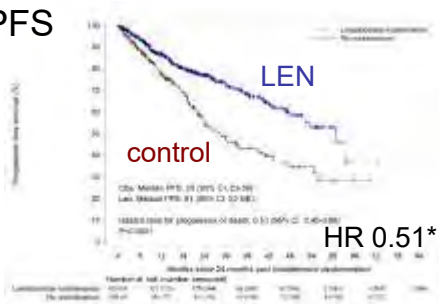
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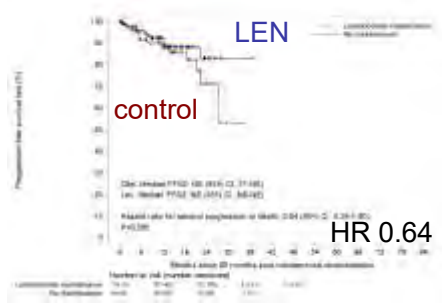
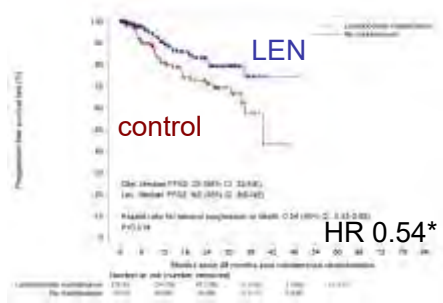
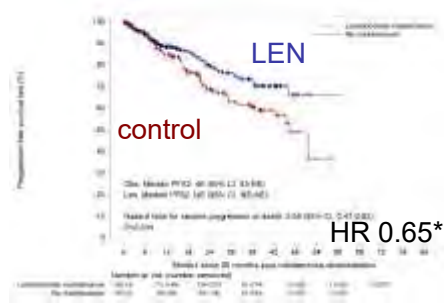
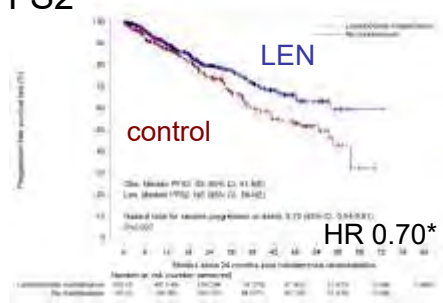
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PFS



PFS2



\*p<0.05

# Outcomes from multiple landmarks – by MRD status

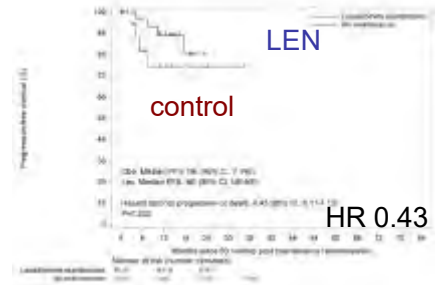
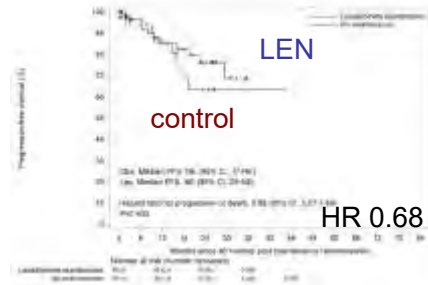
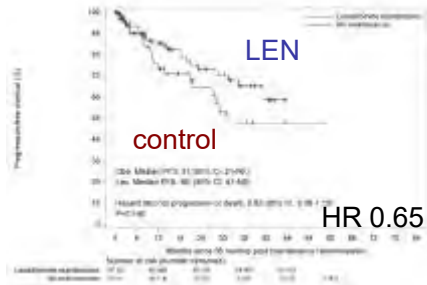
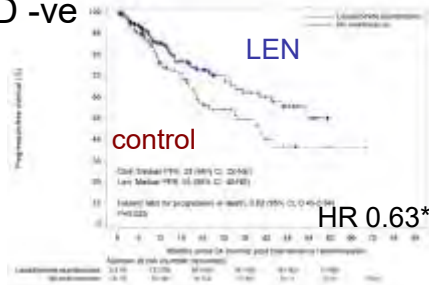
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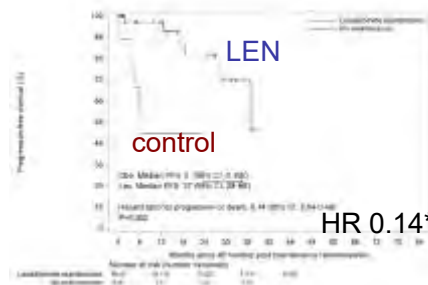
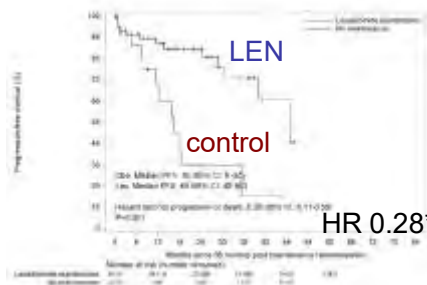
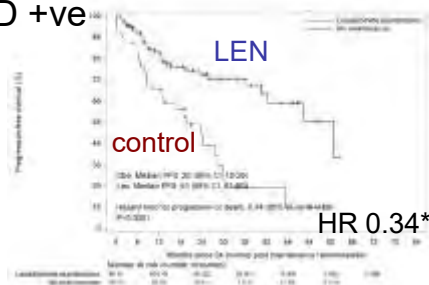
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MRD -ve



MRD +ve

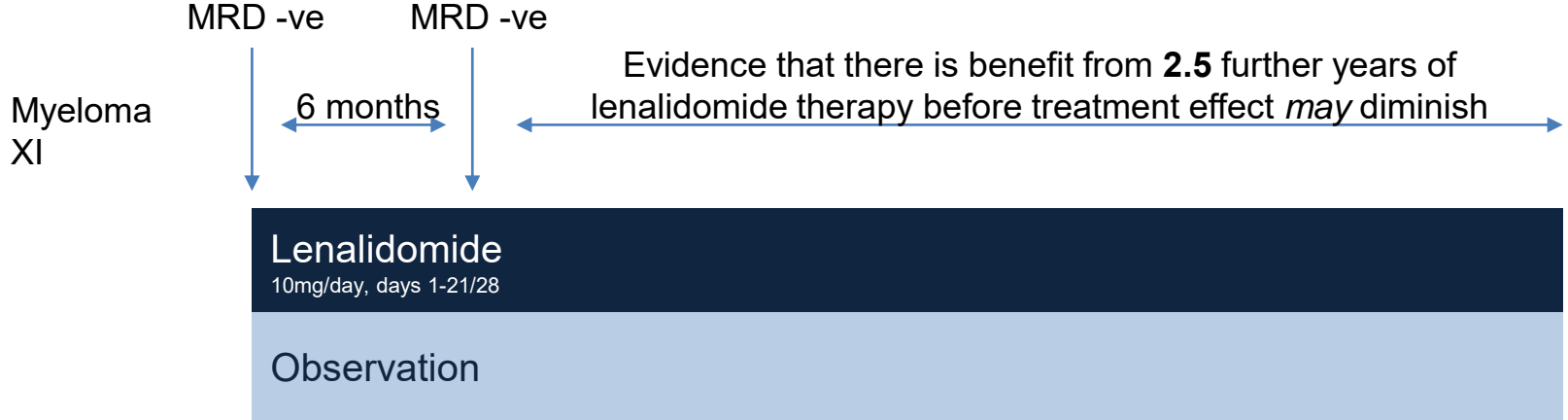


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# Can this help us personalise therapy?

**MRD +ve** – continue maintenance to progression

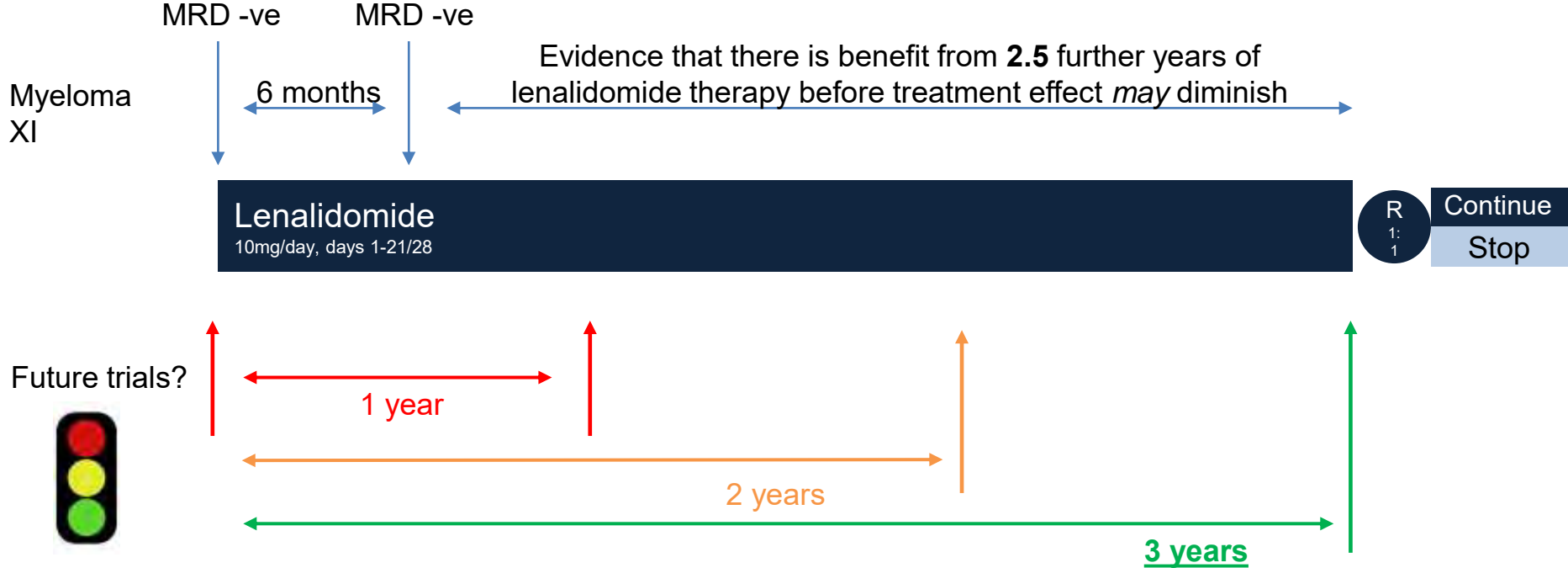
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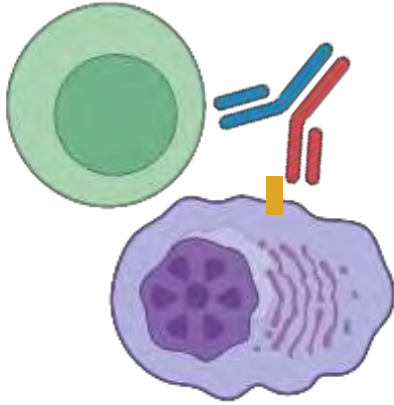


# Conclusions

- These data suggest an ongoing PFS benefit associated with continuing lenalidomide maintenance beyond **at least 4-5 years** in the overall patient population
- Even in patients with sustained MRD negativity, there is evidence of benefit from continuing lenalidomide maintenance for **at least 3 years** in total
  - Randomised trials to address the impact of stopping lenalidomide maintenance in patients with sustained MRD negativity could be considered, at no earlier than 3 years
- In patients who are MRD +ve these data support continuing lenalidomide until disease progression
- No evidence of cumulative haematological toxicity was identified
- These findings emphasise the need for long term follow up of maintenance studies to enable the exploration of such questions
  - There is a planned powered OS update of Myeloma XI in 2023



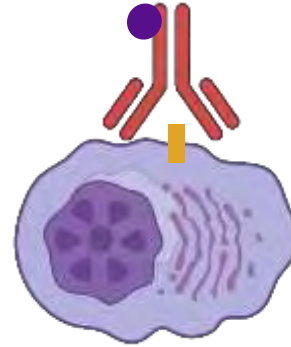
# Relapsed disease



## Bispecific antibodies

**BCMA-CD3**  
Elranatamab

**GPRC5D-CD3**  
Talquetamab



## Antibody drug conjugates

**CD38-attenuated IFN $\alpha$**   
Modakafusp alfa

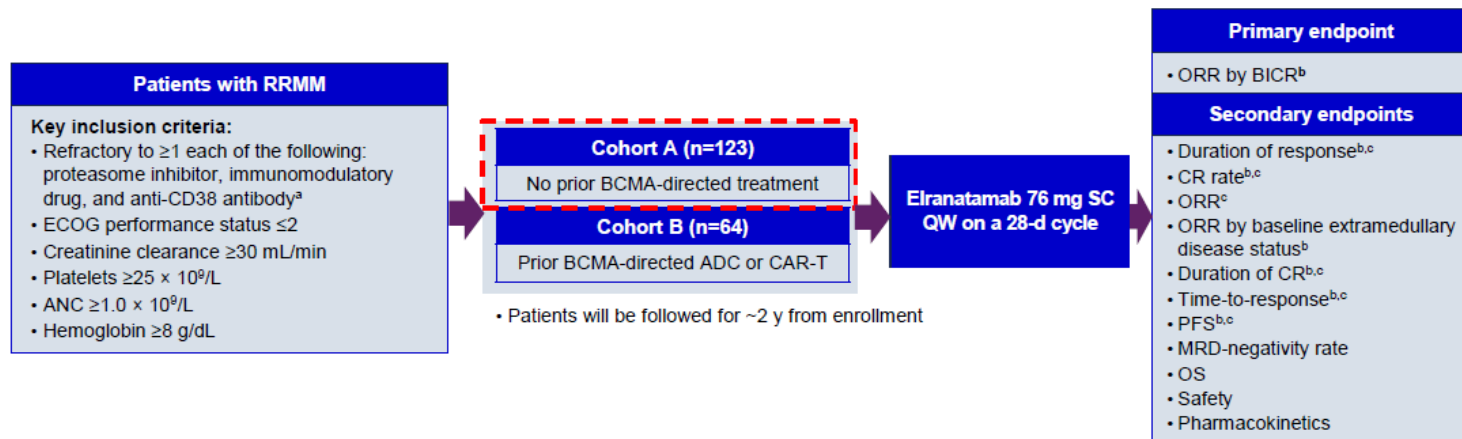
# Elranatamab

FDA's Breakthrough Designation



## MagnetisMM-3 Study

- MagnetisMM-3 is an open-label, multicenter, non-randomized, phase 2 study



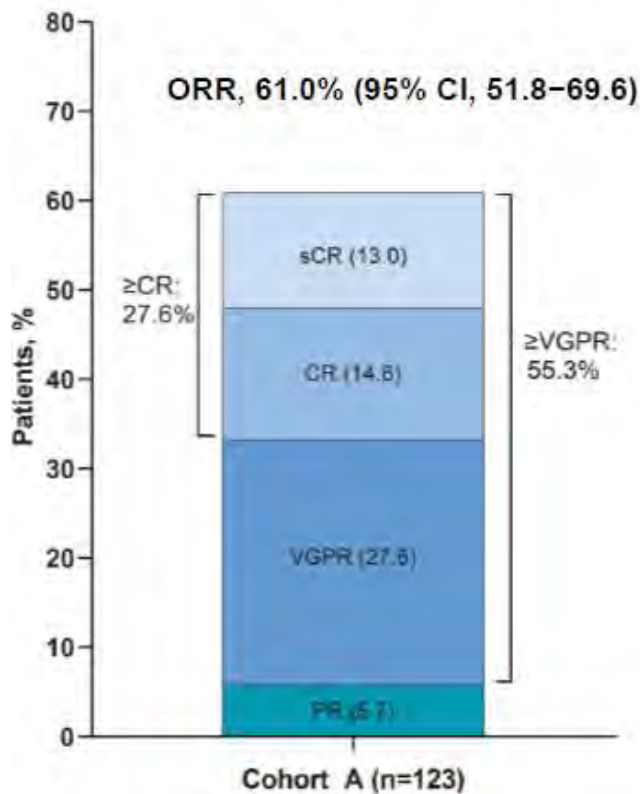
<sup>a</sup> Refractory was defined as having disease progression while on therapy or within 60 d of last dose in any line, regardless of response

<sup>b</sup> By BICR assessment per IMWG response criteria (Kumar S, et al. Lancet Oncol 2016;17:e328-46)

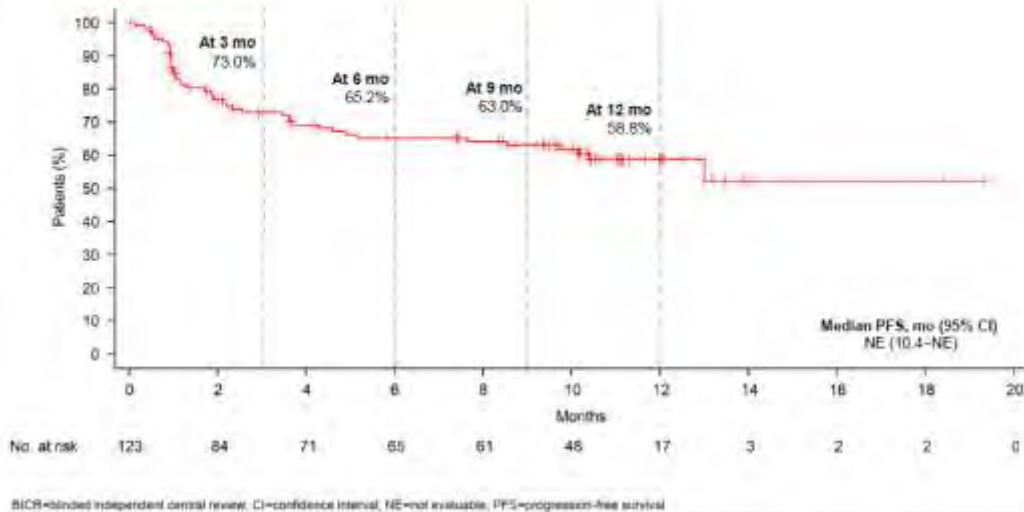
<sup>c</sup> By investigator assessment per IMWG response criteria

ADC=antibody drug conjugate; ANC=absolute neutrophil count; BCMA=B-cell maturation antigen; BICR=blinded independent central review; CAR-T=chimeric antigen receptor T-cell; CR=complete response; ECOG=Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; IMWG=International Myeloma Working Group; MRD=minimal residual disease; ORR=objective response rate; OS=overall survival; PFS=progression-free survival; QW=once weekly; SC=subcutaneous

# Elranatamab – MagnetisMM-3



## Progression-Free Survival per BICR



Median OS not yet reached

# Elranatamab – MagnetisMM-3

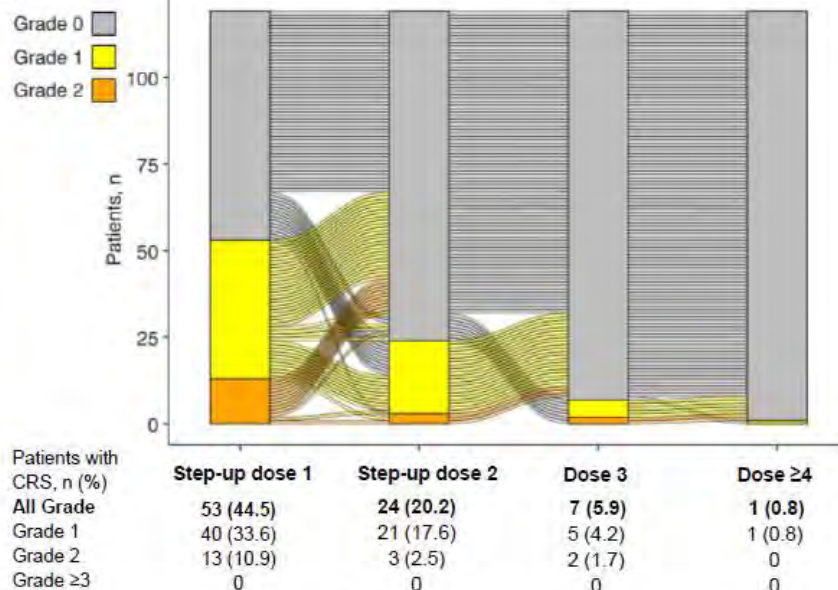


## AEs of Special Interest: CRS and ICANS

- The step-up priming regimen successfully mitigated the rate and severity of CRS, and the CRS profile was predictable

TEAE of special interest	12/32 mg step-up regimen (n=119) <sup>a</sup>	
	CRS	ICANS
Patients with TEAE, n (%)	67 (56.3)	4 (3.4)
Maximum Grade 1	50 (42.0)	1 (0.8)
Maximum Grade 2	17 (14.3)	3 (2.5)
Maximum Grade ≥3	0	0
Patients with >1 TEAE, n (%)	18 (15.1)	1 (0.8)
Median time to onset of TEAE, d (range)	2.0 (1.0–9.0)	2.5 (1.0–4.0)
Median time to resolution of TEAE, d (range)	2.0 (1.0–19.0)	2.0 (1.0–6.0)
Patients who received tocilizumab <sup>b</sup> or steroids, n (%)		
Tocilizumab	27 (22.7)	2 (1.7)
Steroids	10 (8.4)	2 (1.7)
Permanent discontinuation due to AE, n (%)	0	0

CRS profile, patients received 12/32 step-up regimen (n=119)



<sup>a</sup> Patients who received 1 step-up priming dose of 44 mg in Wk 1 were excluded from this CRS and ICANS analysis (n=4); <sup>b</sup> Includes tocilizumab and siltuximab  
 CRS and ICANS which were graded by American Society for Transplant and Cellular Therapy criteria (Lee DW, et al. Biol Blood Marrow Trans 2019;25:62)  
 AE=adverse event, CRS=cytokine release syndrome; ICANS=immune effector cell-associated neurotoxicity syndrome; TEAE=treatment-emergent adverse event

# Elranatamab – MagnetisMM-3



## AEs of Special Interest: Infections

- Infections were reported in 66.7% (Grade 3/4, 35.0%) of patients
  - Median time to first onset of infections was 47.5 (range, 1.0–295.0) days
- COVID-19 related TEAEs were reported in 31 (25.2%) patients
  - 2 (1.6%) patients died due to COVID-19 pneumonia, both considered unrelated to treatment by the investigator
- 8 (6.5%) patients had an infection that led to permanent discontinuation of elranatamab
  - Most common infection TEAEs leading to treatment discontinuation were septic shock (n=2) and sepsis (n=2)
- Among patients with quantitative IgG data (n=101), 76 (75.2%) patients had IgG level <400 mg/dL during the study
- Overall, 50 (40.7%) patients received IVIG during the study

n (%)	Cohort A (N=123)	
	Any grade	Grade 3/4
Infection TEAEs in ≥5% of patients		
COVID-19 related <sup>a</sup>	31 (25.2)	14 (11.4)
Upper respiratory tract infection	22 (17.9)	0
Pneumonia	15 (12.2)	7 (5.7)
Urinary tract infection	11 (8.9)	4 (3.3)
Sinusitis	11 (8.9)	2 (1.6)
TEAEs of interest		
<i>Pneumocystis jirovecii</i> pneumonia	6 (4.9)	5 (4.1)
CMV infection reactivation	6 (4.9)	2 (1.6)
CMV infection	4 (3.3)	0

<sup>a</sup> Includes preferred terms in COVID-19 (narrow) standardized MedDRA queries

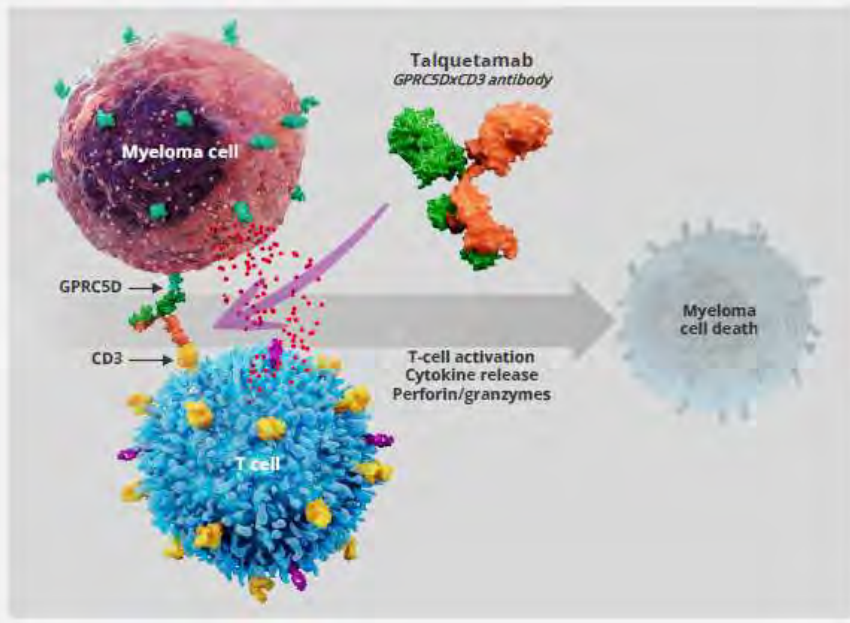
Administration of antibacterial and/or antiviral agents for infection prophylaxis was permitted for patients at increased risk of infection in accordance with local standard of care practice and/or institutional guidelines  
AE=adverse event; CMV=cytomegalovirus; IgG=immunoglobulin G; IVIG=intravenous immunoglobulin; MedDRA=Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities Terminology; TEAE=treatment-emergent adverse event

# Talquetamab – MonumenTAL-1

FDA's Breakthrough Designation



- **Talquetamab is a novel first-in-class, off-the-shelf, T-cell redirecting bispecific antibody** directed against a new antigen target called GPRC5D<sup>1,2</sup>
- **GPRC5D is a novel antigen target in myeloma** that is highly expressed on malignant plasma cells with limited expression in normal human tissues,<sup>3-6</sup> including hematopoietic stem cells<sup>7</sup>
- **Talquetamab has shown an ORR of 64–70%** with QW and Q2W dosing in the MonumenTAL-1 study (NCT03399799/NCT04634552)<sup>8</sup>
- **Updated results from the MonumenTAL-1 study** are presented, including all patients treated at each RP2D for the first time, as well as a cohort of patients with prior CAR-T cell or bispecific antibody treatment



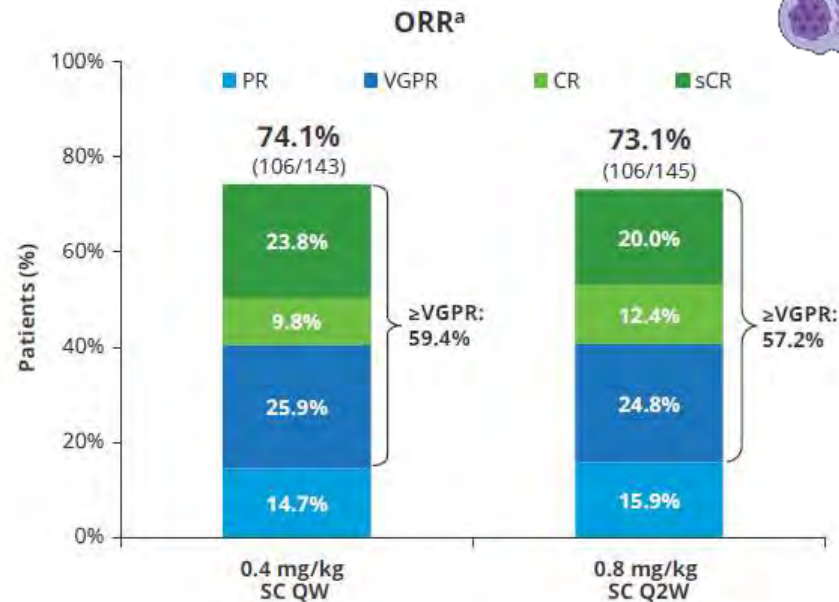
# Talquetamab – MonumenTAL-1



**RP2D 0.4 mg/kg QW SC**  
Prior anti-BCMA ADC treatment allowed  
T-cell redirection therapy naive  
(Phase 1 [n=21] + Phase 2 [n=122]: N=143)

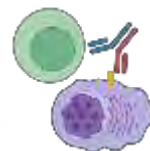
**RP2D 0.8 mg/kg Q2W SC**  
Prior anti-BCMA ADC treatment allowed  
T-cell redirection therapy naive  
(Phase 1 [n=36] + Phase 2 [n=109]: N=145)

**Prior T-cell redirection (QW and Q2W)**  
Previously exposed to T-cell redirection therapies  
Dosed with either 0.4 mg/kg weekly SC or 0.8 mg/kg Q2W SC  
(Phase 1 [n=17] + Phase 2 [n=34]: N=51)



ORR 63%  
72% prior CART  
44% prior bispecific

# Talquetamab – MonumenTAL-1



## Hematologic adverse events

AEs (≥20% of any RP2D cohort), n (%)	0.4 mg/kg SC QW <sup>a</sup> (n=143) mFU, 11.0 months <sup>b</sup>		0.8 mg/kg SC Q2W <sup>a</sup> (n=145) mFU, 5.1 months <sup>c</sup>	
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4	Any Grade	Grade 3/4
Anemia	64 (44.8)	45 (31.5)	57 (39.3)	36 (24.8)
Neutropenia	49 (34.3)	44 (30.8)	41 (28.3)	32 (22.1)
Lymphopenia	40 (28.0)	37 (25.9)	38 (26.2)	37 (25.5)
Thrombocytopenia	39 (27.3)	29 (20.3)	39 (26.9)	24 (16.6)

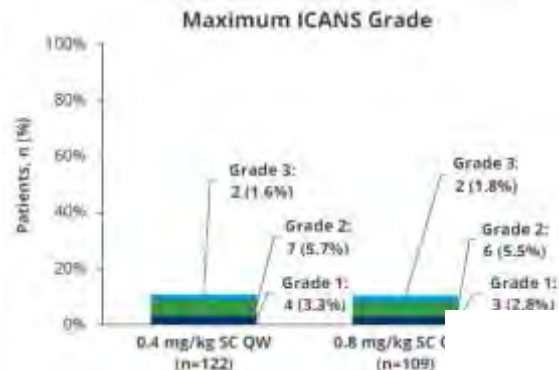
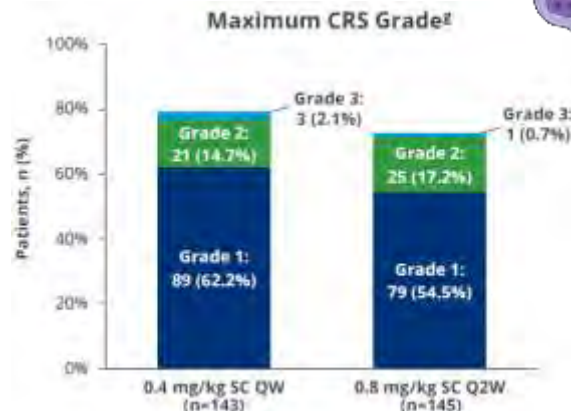
- Most high-grade AEs were cytopenias
- Cytopenias were generally limited to the first few cycles

## Infections

- At 0.4 mg/kg QW and 0.8 mg/kg Q2W:
  - Infections occurred in 57.3% and 50.3%
  - Grade 3/4 in 16.8% and 11.7%
  - 5 (3.5%)<sup>d</sup> and 4 (2.8%)<sup>e</sup> patients had opportunistic infections
  - 13 (9.1%) and 16 (11.0%) patients had COVID-19
  - Grade 3/4 in 0.7% and 2.1%
  - 2 patients died from COVID-19
- 13.3% and 9.7% of patients received IVIg, respectively.

AEs (≥20% of any RP2D cohort), n (%)	0.4 mg/kg SC QW <sup>a</sup> (n=143) mFU, 11.0 months <sup>b</sup>		0.8 mg/kg SC Q2W <sup>a</sup> (n=145) mFU, 5.1 months <sup>c</sup>	
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4	Any Grade	Grade 3/4
CRS	113 (79.0)	3 (2.1)	105 (72.4)	1 (0.7)
Skin-related AEs <sup>d</sup>	60 (55.9)	0	98 (67.6)	1 (0.7)
Nail-related AEs <sup>e</sup>	74 (51.7)	0	63 (43.4)	0
Dysgeusia <sup>f</sup>	69 (48.3)	NA	67 (46.2)	NA
Rash-related AEs <sup>g</sup>	56 (39.2)	2 (1.4)	39 (26.9)	8 (5.5)
Weight decreased	57 (39.9)	3 (2.1)	47 (32.4)	2 (1.4)
Pyrexia	53 (37.1)	4 (2.8)	35 (24.1)	1 (0.7)
Asthenia	37 (25.9)	3 (2.1)	13 (9.0)	2 (1.4)
Dry mouth	36 (25.2)	0	53 (36.6)	0
Diarrhea	34 (23.8)	3 (2.1)	32 (22.1)	0
Dysphagia	34 (23.8)	0	33 (22.8)	3 (2.1)
Fatigue	32 (22.4)	5 (3.5)	29 (20.0)	1 (0.7)
Decreased appetite	25 (17.5)	2 (1.4)	29 (20.0)	2 (1.4)

- Low rates of grade 3/4 nonhematologic AEs were observed
- Low rates of discontinuation due to AEs were observed with QW (4.9%) and Q2W (6.2%) schedules
- Most common AEs were CRS, skin-related events, nail-related events, and dysgeusia
  - Rates of high-grade skin, nail, and rash-related events were low
  - Dysgeusia was managed with supportive care, and at times with dose reduction
- At 0.4 mg/kg QW and at 0.8 mg/kg Q2W,
  - 8.4% and 13.8% had dose delays due to AEs
  - 14.7% and 6.2% had dose reductions due to AEs
- At time of data cut-off, no patients in these cohorts died due to drug-related AEs

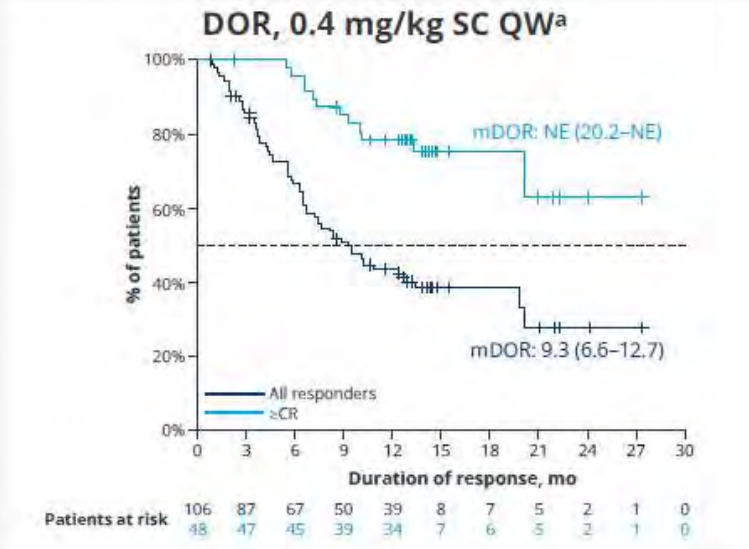




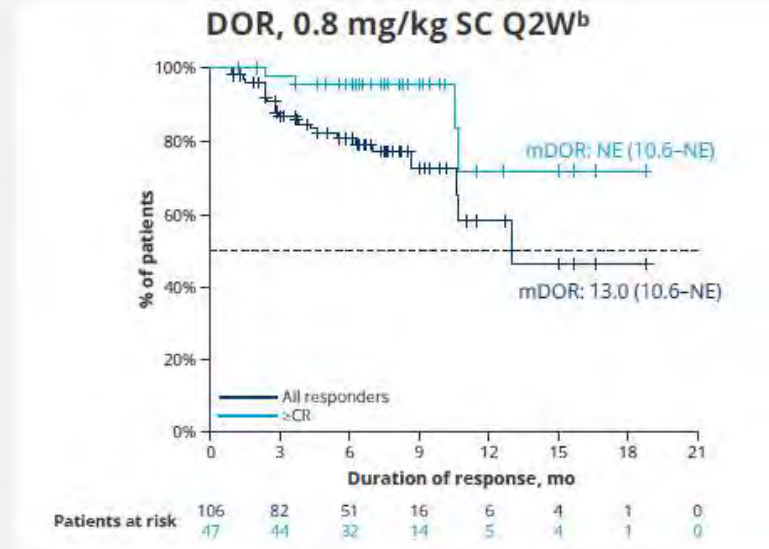
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- Treatment at both doses led to durable responses
  - Median DOR not reached for those patients who achieved  $\geq$ CR



mPFS: 7.5 months (95% CI: 5.7–9.4; 33% censored)



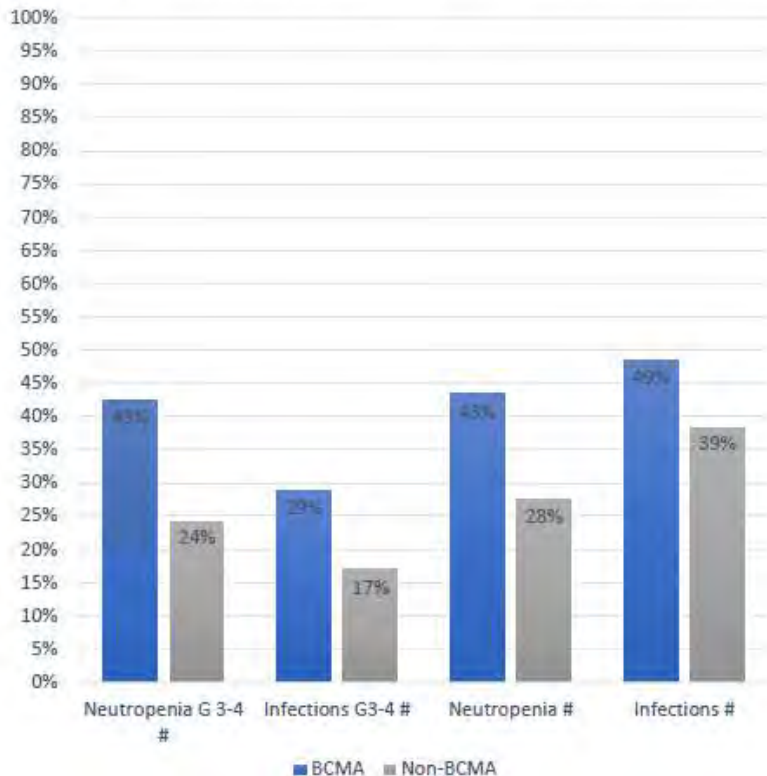
11.9 months (95% CI: 8.4–NE; 61% censored)

# Infections with bispecific antibodies

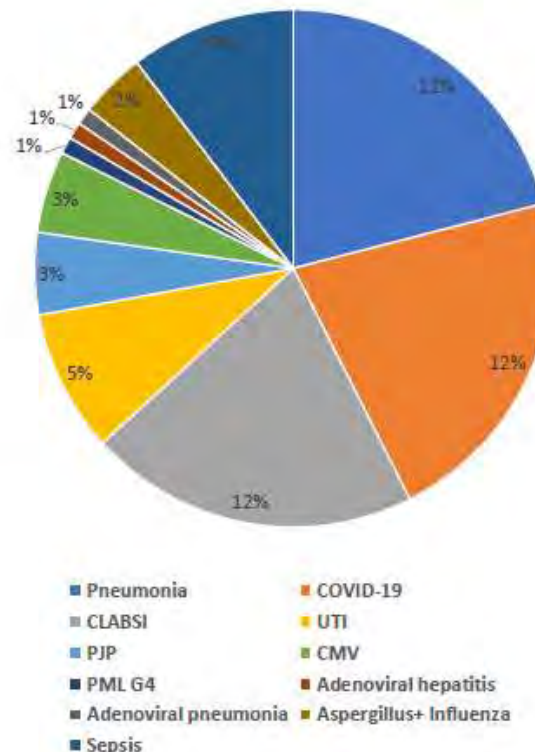
10 trials  
790 patients



BCMA vs Non-BCMA incidence of all grades and G3/4 infections and neutropenia.

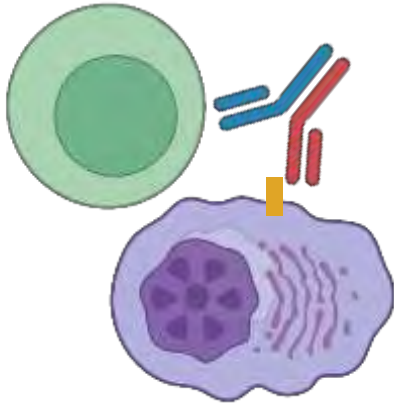


The incidence of specific infections related to BsAbs therapy.



Hypogammaglobulinemia  
48.5%

## Outline



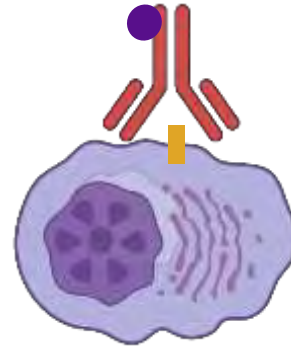
### Bispecific antibodies

#### **BCMA-CD3**

Teclistamab  
Elranatamab

#### **GPRC5D-CD3**

Talquetamab

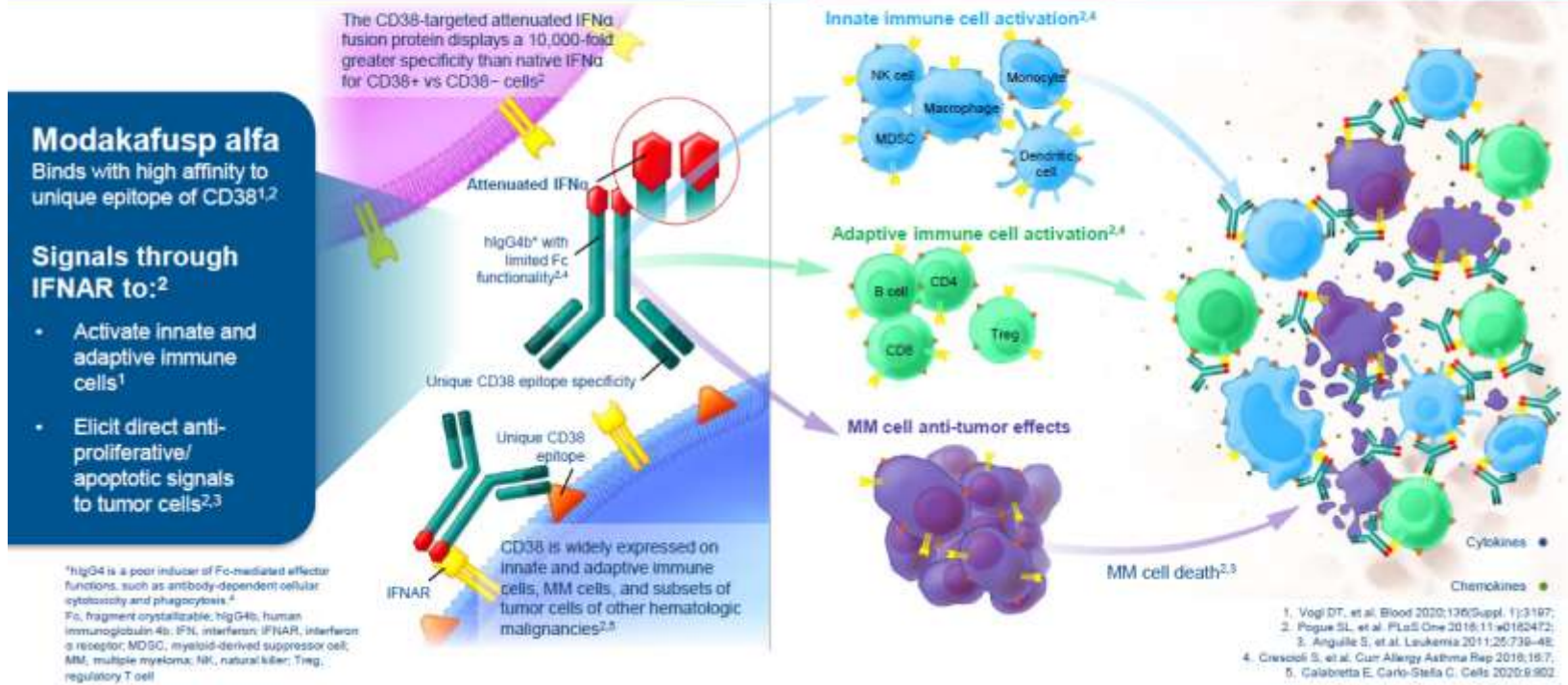
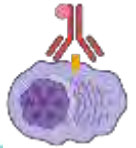


### Antibody drug conjugates

#### **CD38-attenuated IFN $\alpha$**

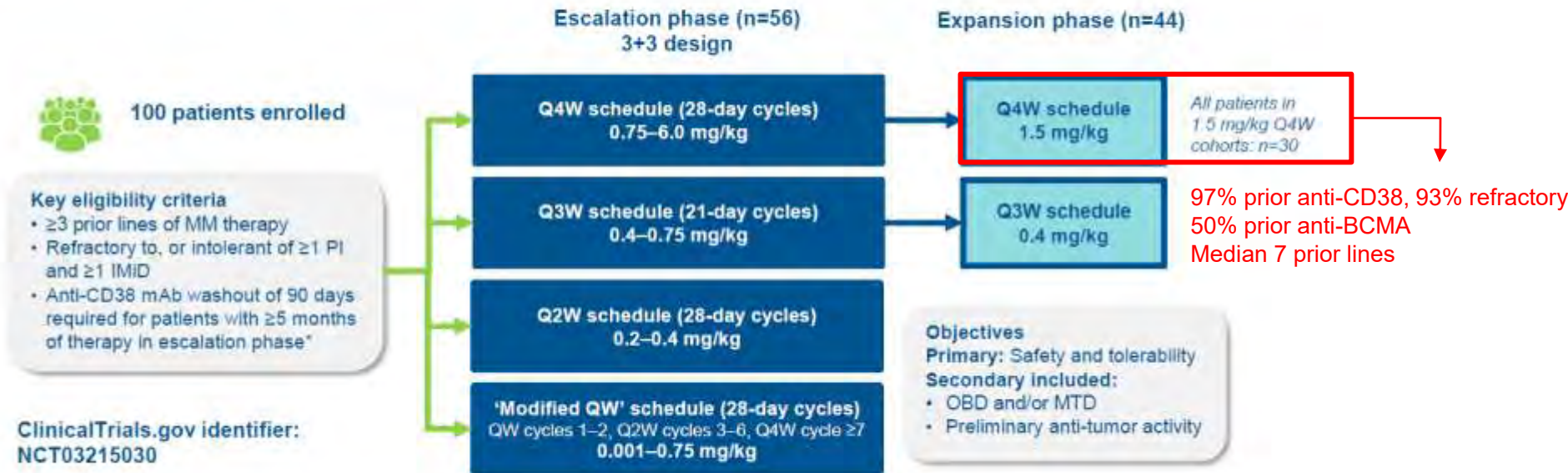
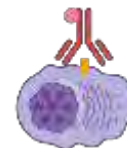
Modakafusp alfa

# Modakafusp alfa is a first-in-class, innate immunity enhancer that functions through targeted next-generation IFN signaling



Modakafusp alfa is a first-in-class, immune-targeting, attenuated cytokine. It consists of 2 attenuated interferon (IFN) $\alpha$ 2b molecules genetically fused to the Fc portion of an anti-CD38 IgG4 monoclonal antibody (mAb), allowing targeted delivery of IFN $\alpha$  to innate and adaptive immune cells, as well as myeloma cells.

# First-in-human, phase 1/2 study of modakafusp alfa in heavily pre-treated patients with RRMM

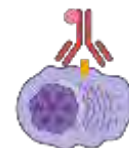


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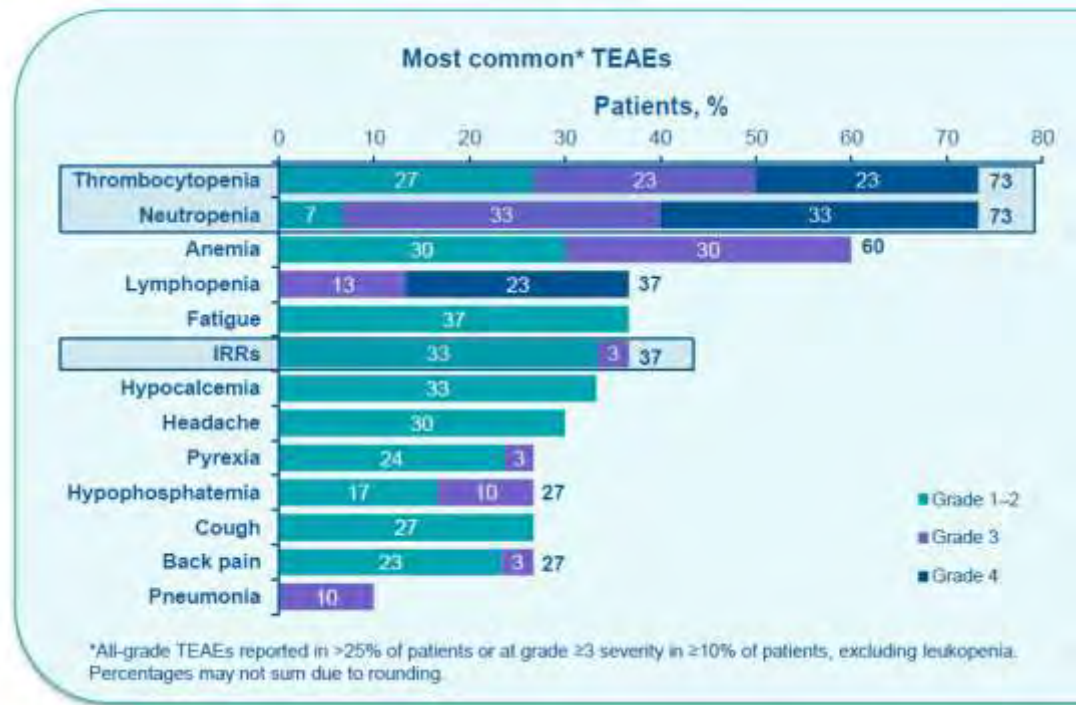
\*Not required for patients enrolled into the expansion phase.

IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; mAb, monoclonal antibody; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; OBD, optimal biological dose; PI, proteasome inhibitor; QW, weekly; Q2/3/4W, every 2/3/4 weeks; RRMM, relapsed/refractory MM

# Modakafusp alfa 1.5 mg/kg Q4W (n=30) adverse events were primarily hematologic

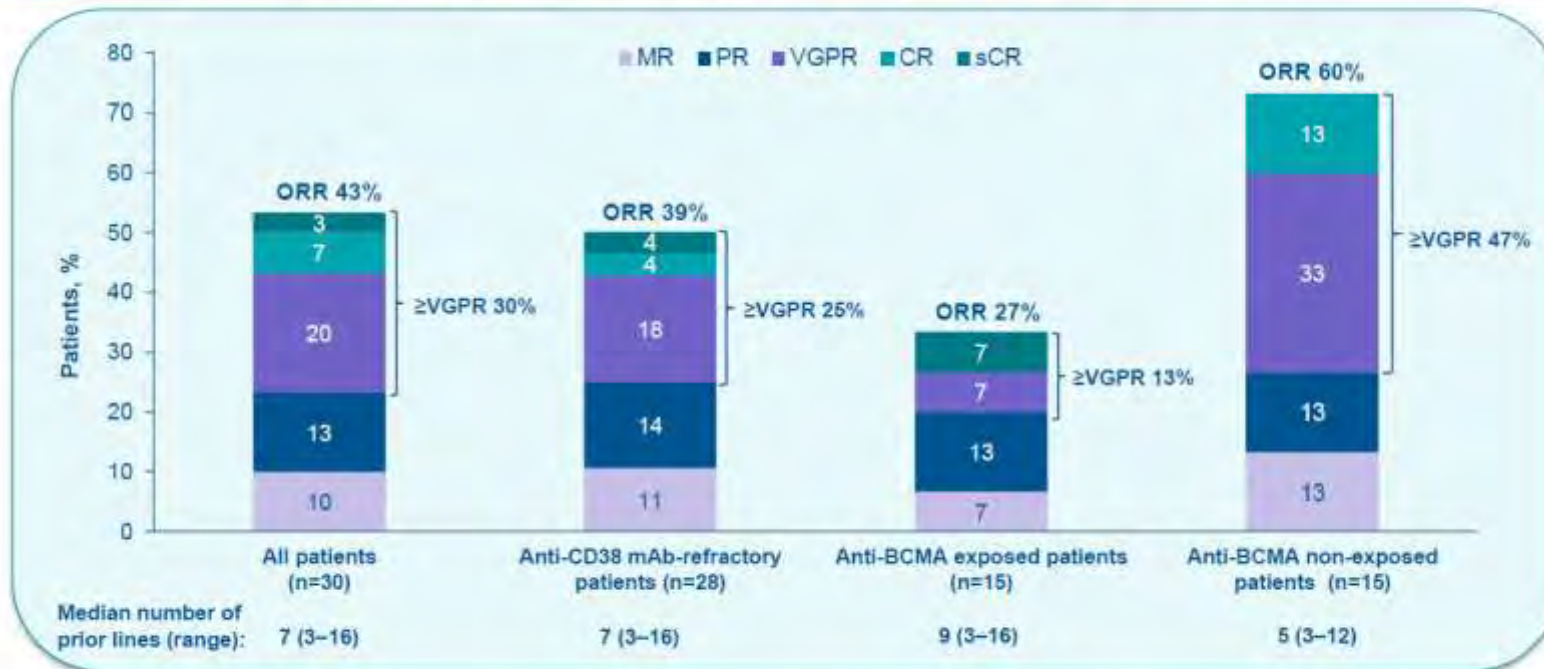
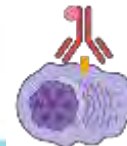


- 26 (87%) patients have discontinued treatment; 19 (73%) due to PD and 4 (15%) due to TEAEs
- Median duration of exposure: 4 cycles (range: 1–24)
- Thrombocytopenia and neutropenia mainly occurred in cycles 1–2, with counts usually recovering over time
- One patient had a grade 3 bleeding event and remained on study for 6 cycles until progressing
- Four patients had grade 3 infections (pneumonia, n=4; sinusitis, n=1)
- Aside from IRRs, there were no constitutional or neuropsychiatric effects typical of IFN $\alpha$  therapy



PD, progressive disease; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event

# Responses were observed with modakafusp alfa 1.5 mg/kg Q4W regardless of prior therapies or refractory status



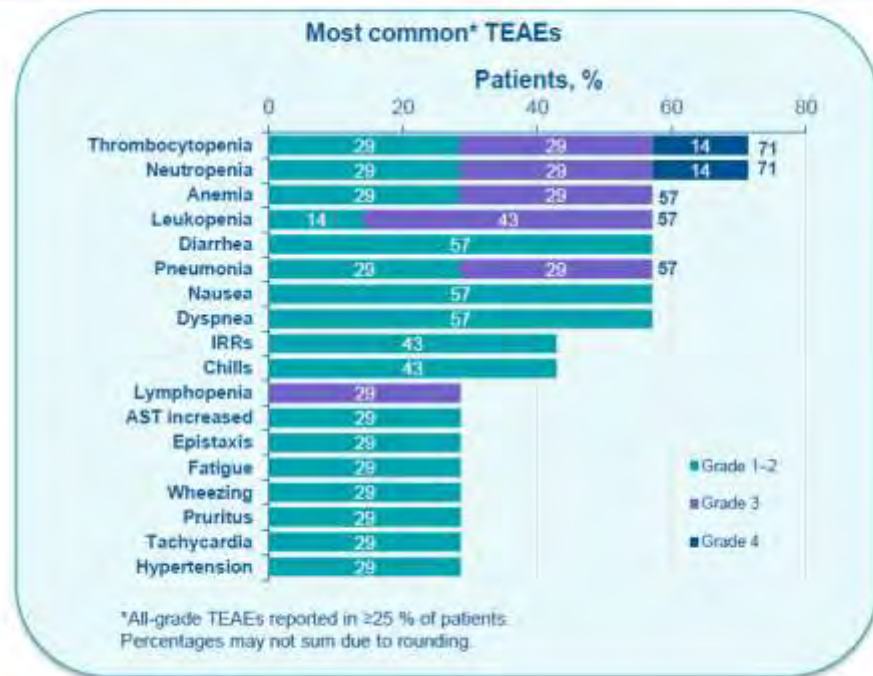
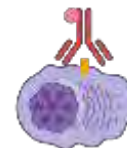
Percentages may not sum due to rounding.

CR, complete response; MR, minimal response; ORR, overall response rate of ≥PR; PR, partial response; sCR, stringent CR; VGPR, very good partial response

Median PFS 5.7m

Median duration of response 12.5m

# Safety and efficacy in the MTD cohort 3.0 mg/kg Q4W (n=7)



AST, aspartate aminotransferase

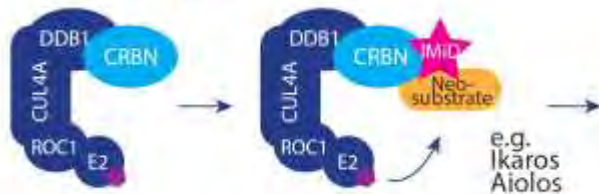


Study - 1.5 vs 3mg/kg ongoing



# CELMoDs

CRL4<sup>CRBN</sup>  
E3 ubiquitin ligase



e.g.  
Ikaros  
Aiolos

Proteasome  
degradation

Downstream effects  
of neo-substrate  
degradation

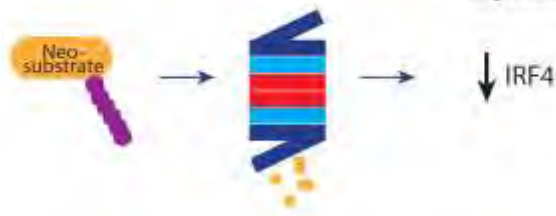


Table 1. Prior therapies

	All patients (N = 101)
<b>No. of prior therapies, median (range)</b>	6 (3–15)
Stem cell transplantation, n (%)	78 (77.2)
PI, n (%)	101 (100)
IMiD agent,* n (%)	101 (100)
POM as last prior regimen, n (%)	37 (36.6)
Anti-CD38 mAb, n (%)	101 (100)
Anti-BCMA therapy, n (%)	30 (29.7)
Antibody-drug conjugate, n (%)	22 (21.8)
CAR T cell therapy, n (%)	3 (3.0)
T-cell engager, n (%)	8 (7.9)

\*LEN and POM.

BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; LEN, lenalidomide; mAb, monoclonal antibody; PI, proteasome inhibitor; POM, pomalidomide.

Table 2. Summary of responses to MEZI + DEX

	All patients (N = 101)	Patients with plasmacytomas (n = 39)	Patients with prior anti-BCMA therapy (n = 30)
<b>Response, n (%)</b>			
ORR*	40 (39.6)	12 (30.8)	15 (50.0)
sCR	2 (2.0)	0	0
CR	3 (3.0)	2 (5.1)	1 (3.3)
VGPR	18 (17.8)	6 (15.4)	7 (23.3)
PR	17 (16.8)	4 (10.3)	7 (23.3)
MR	8 (7.9)	0	1 (3.3)
SD	38 (37.6)	21 (53.8)	11 (36.7)
PD	10 (9.9)	4 (10.3)	3 (10.0)
NE/Missing	5 (5.0)	2 (5.1)	0
<b>DOR, median (95% CI), months</b>	8.3 (5.4–NR)	NR	6.9 (4.0–NR)
<b>PFS, median (95% CI), months</b>	4.6 (3.2–6.3)	3.7 (2.3–4.9)	5.4 (2.1–9.4)

\*Defined as PR or better.

BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; DEX, dexamethasone; DOR, duration of response; MEZI, mezigdomide; MR, minimal response; NE, not evaluable; NR, not reached; ORR, overall response rate; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma; sCR, stringent complete response; SD, stable disease; VGPR, very good partial response.

# Conclusions

- Personalizing therapy remains important
  - High-risk, frail etc
- Therapies with new modes of actions show impressive response rates in RRMM
  - Balance efficacy and toxicity
    - CRS, infections etc
- Determine the most appropriate place in disease to use
- Determine the day to day practicalities of how to introduce therapies into clinical practice

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