





"Novel Therapeutic Advances in Hodgkin's Disease and DLBCL"



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ASCO 2023: S1826 Intergroup Study Frontline Nivo+AVD vs. BV+AVD in Advanced Stage cHL

Newly diagnosed stage III-IV Hodgkin lymphoma (≥12 y.o.) n=987 pts

Stratification

Age
IPS

ISRT eligible

At planned 2nd interim analysis (50% of total PFS events), the SWOG Data and Safety Monitoring Committee <u>recommended to report the primary</u> <u>results</u> because the primary PFS endpoint crossed the protocol-specified conservative statistical boundary t ISRT allowed for lared ISRTprior to nization with EOT: 5 reduction in max verse diameter ual LN ≥2.5 cm

ual extranodal >1

NCCN Guidelines in Stage III-IV Classical Hodgkin (Version 2.2023)

Preferred regimen: ABVD × 2 cycles^a (Category 1)

Restage with FDG-PET/CT (RATHL)

Stage III-IV cHL (aged \geq 18 years)

Preferred regimen: BV+AVD (Category 1) (use with caution in patients aged >60 years; contraindicated in those with neuropathy)

All cycles with BV+AVD include growth factor support

Useful in certain circumstances:

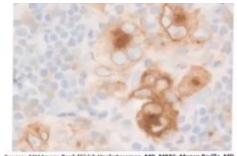
Escalated BEACOPP (in select patients if IPS \geq 4, aged <60 years)

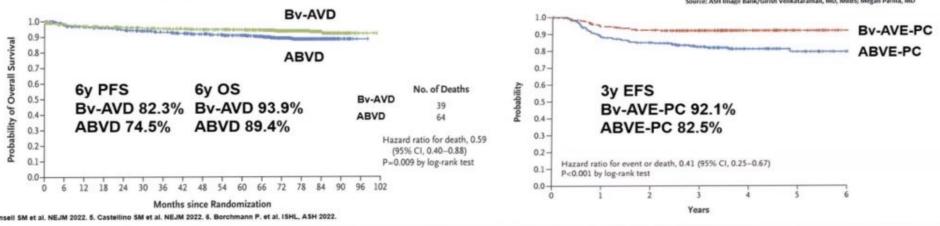
ALL RECOMMENDATIONS CATEGORY 2A UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

^a ABVD is preferred based on the toxicity profile and quality of data. National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Hodgkin Lymphoma (Version 2.2023). Accessed February 2, 2023. https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/hodgkins.pdf

Brentuximab vedotin in advanced stage adult and pediatric Hodgkin Lymphoma

- Brentuximab vedotin (Bv): anti-CD30 antibody drug conjugate
- Bv in frontline treatment of advanced stage cHL improves outcomes in adult (OS) and pediatric (eventfree survival) patients^{4,5,6}





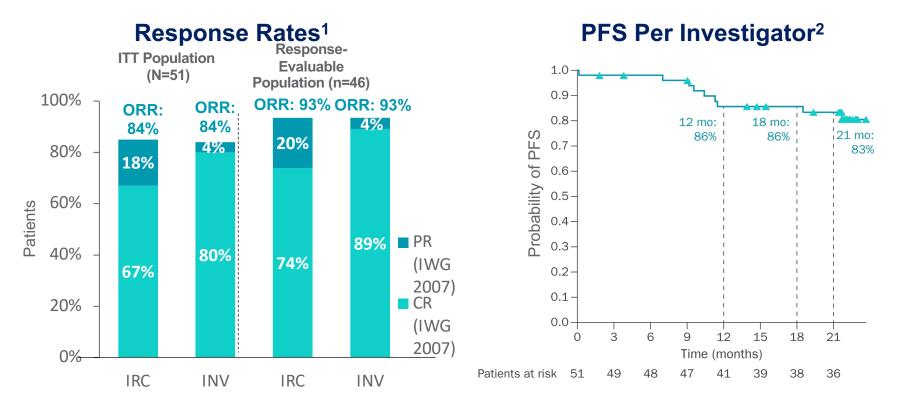
Can we do better?:

Rationale for Intergroup Study S1826

- Relapses still common (7-20%)^{4,5}
- Different chemotherapy backbones still used in peds vs adults & globally^{4,5,6}
- Majority of AYA still receive consolidative RT and are vulnerable to late morbidity/mortality⁵
- Bv-AVD adds toxicity vs ABVD in adults⁴
 - ↑ neuropathy, febrile neutropenia/infections/sepsis
 Requires G-CSF support
- There remains room to improve outcomes for advanced stage cHL

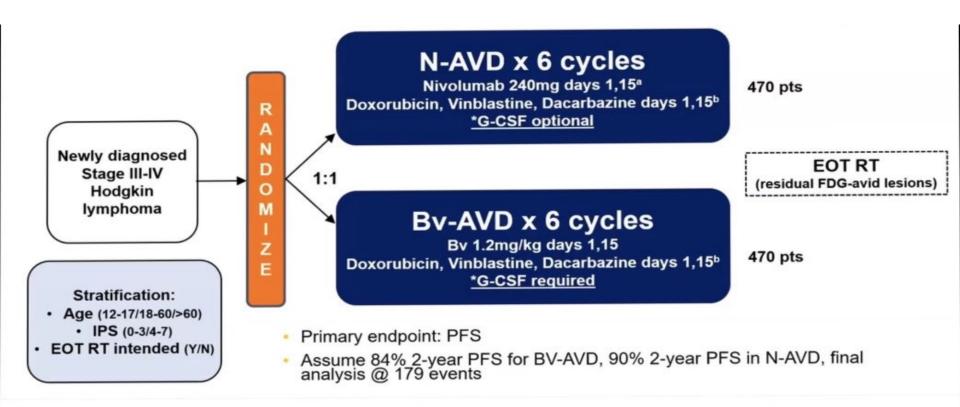
Ansell SM et al. NEJM 2022. 5. Castellino SM et al. NEJM 2022. 6. Borchmann P. et al. ISHL, ASH 2022.

Incorporating PD-1 blockade into initial cHL treatment (Nivo + AVD) is highly effective and well tolerated



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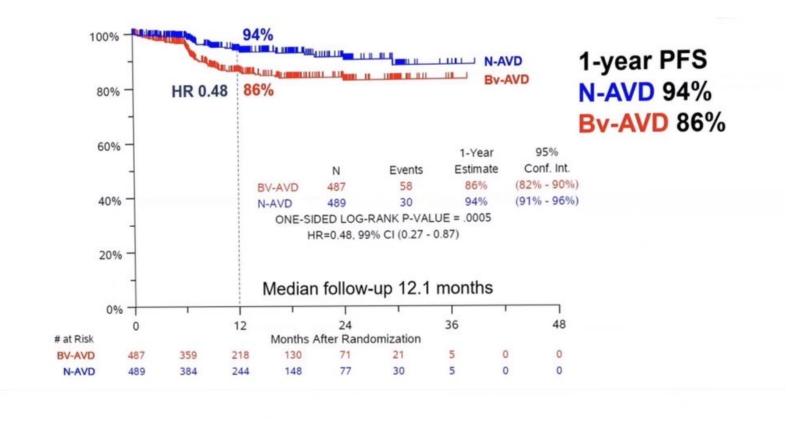
Intergroup Study S1826



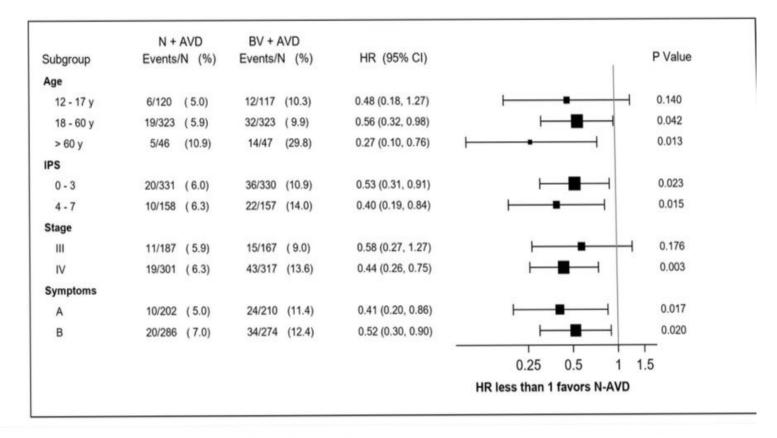
Intergroup Study S1826: Patient Characteristics

Baseline	N-AVD	Bv-AVD	Baseline	N-AVD Alex Her	rera P
characteristics	n=489 N (%)	n=487 N (%)	characteristics	n=489 N (%)	n=487 N (%)
Age, median (range)	27 (12-83)	26 (12-81)	Stage		
12-17 years	120 (25%)	117 (24%)	Ш	187 (38%)	167 (34%)
18-60 years	323 (66%)	323 (66%)	IV	301 (62%)	317 (65%)
≥ 61 years	46 (9%)	47 (10%)	Not reported	1 (0.2%)	3 (1%)
Female Sex	218 (45%)	213 (44%)	B symptoms present	286 (58%)	274 (56%)
Race			IPS Score		
White	375 (77%)	364 (75%)	0-3	331 (68%)	330 (68%)
Black	57 (12%)	56 (11%)	4-7	158 (32%)	157 (32%)
Asian	11 (2%)	17 (3%)	Bulky disease > 10cm	155 (32%)	131 (27%)
Other/Unknown	46 (9%)	50 (10%)	HIV+	10 (2%)	5 (1%)
Hispanic	68 (14%)	59 (12%)	Representative study,	inclusive of h	igh-risk pts

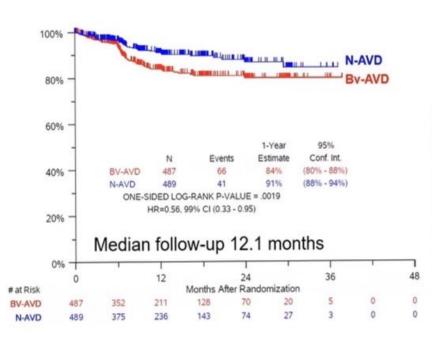
Intergroup Study S1826: PFS



Intergroup Study S1826: PFS benefit across subgroups



Intergroup Study S1826: EFS



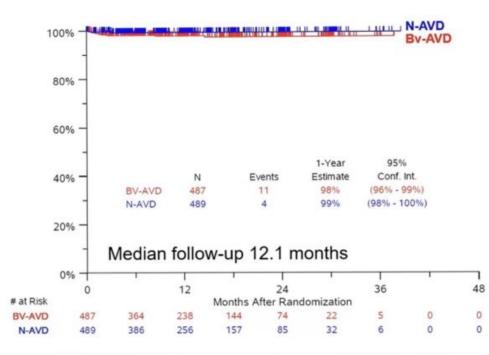
1-year EFS N-AVD 91% Bv-AVD 84%

EFS events: death, progression, non-protocol treatment before progression

EFS event	N-AVD	Bv-AVD
Non-protocol chemo before PD	9	6
Non-protocol immunotx before PD	1	0
Non-protocol RT prior to PD	1*	3**
Progression/Relapse	26	47
Death without progression	4	10
Total EFS Event	41	66

* Intended for RT, EOT DS=3, received RT anyways **1/3 intended for RT, 1 with EOT DS=2 and off tx due to AE then received RT, 2 with EOT DS=3 and received RT anyways

Intergroup Study S1826: OS



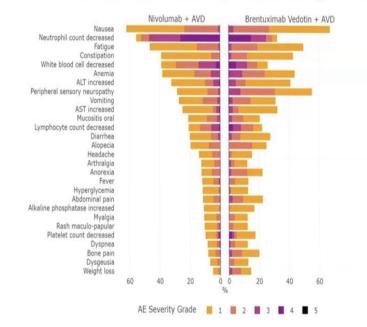
Cause of death	N-AVD	Bv-AVD
Infection	2	4
Sepsis	1	2*
Cardiac arrest	0	1
Pneumonitis	0	1
Dehydration, vomiting, cHL	0	1
cHL	1**	0
Unknown	1	2
Total OS events	4	11

* 1 death from COVID-19/sepsis

** never received treatment, ineligible on C1D1

Intergroup Study S1826: Toxicities

Adverse Events in ≥ 10% patients by Arm



Toxicity	N-AVD n = 483		Bv-AVD Alex Herrers n = 473	
	Any Gr N (%)	Gr ≥ 3 N (%)	Any Gr N (%)	Gr ≥ 3 N (%)
Neutropenia	268 (55%)	227 (47%)	152 (32%)	118 (25%)
Anemia	185 (38%)	29 (6%)	207 (44%)	42 (9%)
Thrombocytopenia	48 (10%)	8 (2%)	82 (17%)	15 (3%)
Received G-CSF	265 (54%)		463 (98%)
Bone pain	39 (8%)		94 (2	20%)

More neutropenia after N-AVD More growth factor use, bone pain in Bv-AVD arm

Toxicity	N-AVD n = 483	Bv-AVD n = 473
Febrile Neutropenia	26 (5%)	32 (7%)
Sepsis	9 (2%)	16 (3%)
Infections/Infestations	22 (5%)	36 (8%)

No increased infectious toxicity in N-AVD arm

Intergroup Study S1826: Toxicities

	N-A\ n = 4		Bv-AVD Average and	
Toxicity	Any Grade No (%)	Grade ≥ 3 No (%)	Any Grade No (%)	Grade ≥ 3 No (%)
ALT increased	156 (32%)	22 (5%)	194 (41%)	22 (5%)
AST increased	120 (25%)	12 (2%)	153 (32%)	13 (3%)
Rash maculo-papular	51 (11%)	4 (1%)	58 (12%)	0 (0)
Hypothyroidism	33 (7%)	1 (0%)	3 (1%)	0 (0)
Rash acneiform	18 (4%)	0 (0)	12 (3%)	0 (0)
Pneumonitis	10 (2%)	2 (0%)	15 (3%)	10 (2%)
Gastritis	10 (2%)	3 (1%)	8 (2%)	0 (0)
Hyperthyroidism	14 (3%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Colitis	5 (1%)	1 (0%)	6 (1%)	4 (1%)

Low rates of immune-related adverse events

Toxicity	N-AVD		Bv-AVD		
	n = 4	n = 483		n = 473	
	Any Gr N (%)	Gr ≥ 3 N (%)	Any Gr N (%)	Gr ≥ 3 N (%)	
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	138 (29%)	6 (1%)	262 (55%)	37 <mark>(8%)</mark>	
Peripheral motor	20 (4%)	1 (0%)	35 (7%)	6 (1%)	
neuropathy					
More neuropathy in By-AVD arm					

More neuropathy in Bv-AVD arm

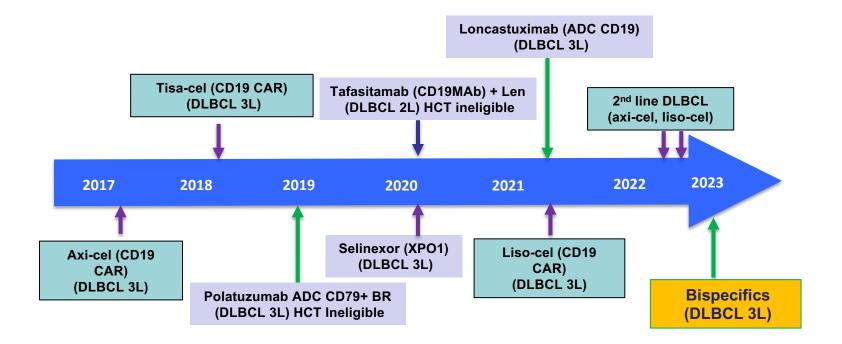
Intergroup Study S1826: Treatment Discontinuation

Disposition	N-AVD (n=489) N (%)	Bv-AVD (n=487) N (%)
Treatment ongoing	22	30
Completed treatment	428	400
Discontinued all treatment early Adverse event Refusal unrelated to AE Progression/relapse Death on treatment Other – not protocol specified	39 (8%) 22 (4%) 10 0 (0%) 2 (0.4%) 5	57 (12%) 18 (4%) 14 7 (1.4%) 8 (1.6%) 10
Discontinued Bv or Nivolumab	53 (11%)	109 (22%)
Received radiotherapy	2 (0.4%)	4 (0.8%)

Intergroup Study S1826: Conclusions

- N-AVD improved progression-free survival (PFS) compared to Bv-AVD as initial treatment of advanced stage cHL
- N-AVD was well-tolerated
 - Few immune-related adverse events
 - < 1% of patients received radiation therapy (RT)</p>
- Key step towards harmonizing pediatric and adult therapy of cHL
- N-AVD is poised to be a new standard for treatment of advanced stage cHL

FDA Approvals for Relapsed/Refractory DLBCL (2017-2023): Impressive Progress



Bispecific Antibodies in B-cell NHL

The Original: Proof of Concept	The New Onesand more to come			
Blinatumomab ¹	Epcoritamab ²	Mosunetuzumab ³	Glofitamab⁴	Odronextamab⁵
BiTE® α-Target single-chain antibody (scFv) Linker α-CD3 single-chain antibody (scFv)	CD20 CD3		High avidity binding to CD20 on B cells CD20 on B cells CD3 T-cell engagement reduces toxicity	
CD3 (scFV) x CD19 (scFV)	DuoBody- CD3 x CD20 BsAb	CD3 x CD20 Knobs-in-hole Fc BsAb	CD3 (Fab) x CD20 (Fab x2) Fc BsAb	CD3 x CD20 Common LC Fc BsAb

- Numerous bispecific antibody structures exist
- Properties of the BsAbs vary by construct
- Distinguishing features of BsAbs include:
 - <u>"Off-the-shelf</u>"- rapid access, relative ease of delivery 6,7
 - Adaptable lack of persistence and ability to modulate dosing may improve tolerability⁶

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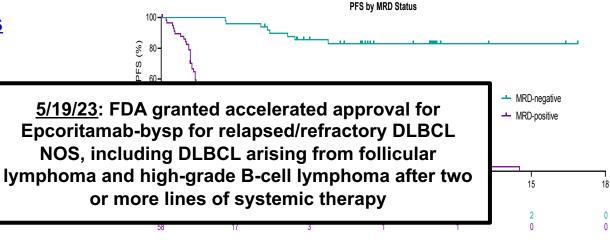
Epcoritamab for R/R DLBCL: Phase 2 Pivotal Study EPCORE

Baseline Characteristics

N= 157 pts Median lines: 3 (2-11) Primary refractory: 61% Prior CAR-T: 39% Prior auto HCT: 20% Unlimited treatment (SC)

Results

Median f/u: 10.7 months ORR= 63% CR= 39% PFS in CR pts at EOT: Not reached Median PFS= 4.4 months. Not reached in MRD neg. CRS all: 49.7% Grade ≥3: 2.5%. Mainly during C1

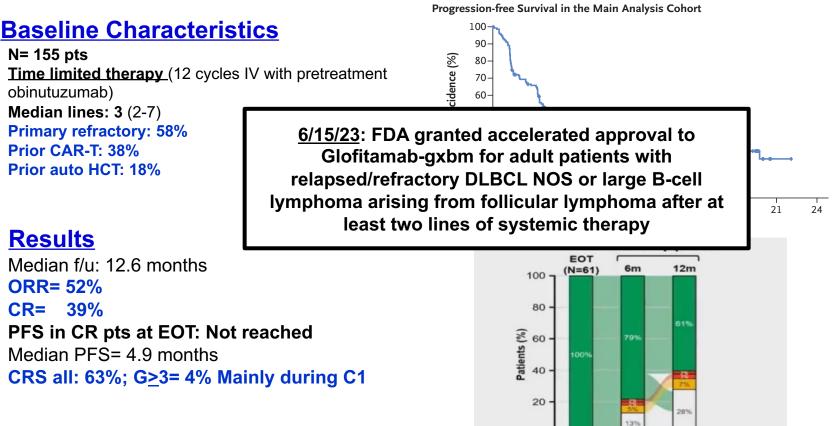


MRD Results	All LBCL
per ctDNA Assay	n=107
MRD-negative rate, n (%)	49 (45.8) [95% CI: 36.1–55.7]

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Glofitamab for R/R Large B cell lymphoma (3L):

Phase 2 Pivotal Results



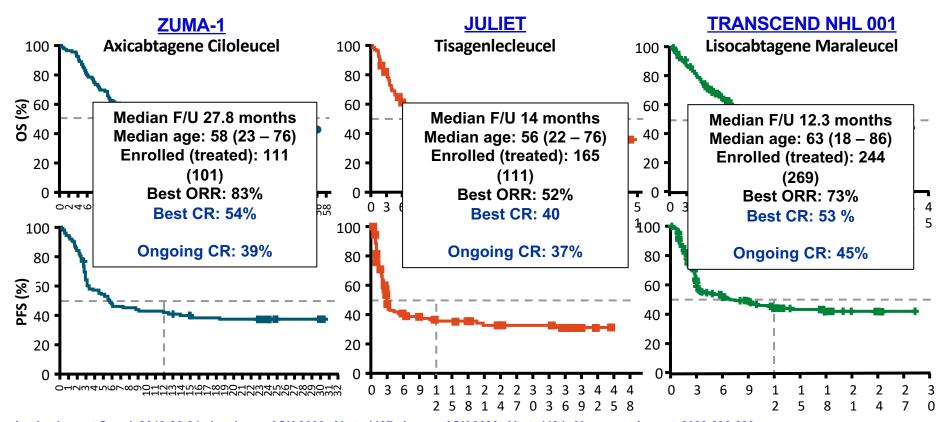
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CAR-T and Bispecific Antibodies in DLBCL:

How to use... and sequence them (...a matter of debate)

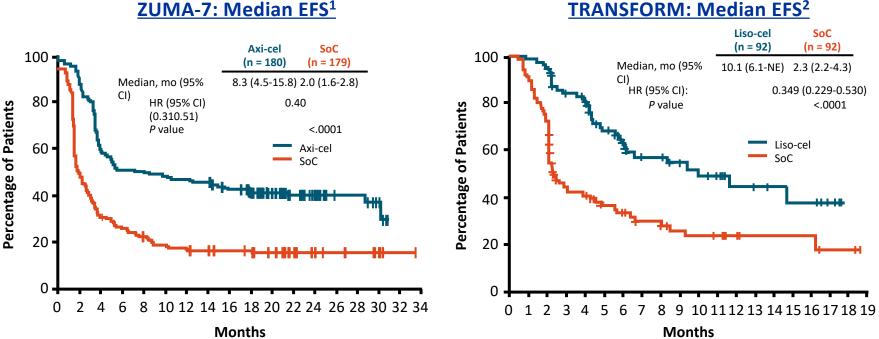
- Let's look at the data:
 - "Curative" versus non-curative modality
- Factors that would influence their use and/or sequencing:
 - GOAL of Treatment
 - Product-related factors
 - Patient-related factors
 - Tumor-related factors

Pivotal Anti-CD19 CAR T Cell Therapy Trials: Third Line DLBCL



Locke. Lancet Oncol. 2019;20:31. Jacobson. ASH 2020. Abstr 1187. Jaeger. ASH 2020. Abstr 1194. Abramson. Lancet. 2020;396:839.

CD19 CAR T-cell Therapy: A new SOC in Early Relapsed DLBCL (second line)



ZUMA-7: Median EFS¹

1. Locke. NEJM. 2022;386:640. 2. Kamdar.. Lancet. 2022;399:10343.

CD19 CAR T-cells in DLBCL

- Anti-CD19 CAR T-cells have shown significant efficacy as third line and more recently as second line treatment for patients with relapsed/refractory DLBCL.....
 - It is estimated that 30-40 percent of patients with relapsed/refractory DLBCL might be cured!
 - Remaining 60 percent of patients: Unmet need
- Cost, manufacture time, side effects, progression while waiting for engineered T cells and mechanisms of resistance remain a significant challenge....

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CAR-T and Bispecific Abs in DLBCL:

Factors that would influence their use and/or

sequencing



Treatment Goal:

- Curative Modality

- CAR T-cells: Yes (30-40%)
- Bi-specific : Unknown yet



Product Factors:

- Availability (Clinical trials vs. commercial)
- Regulatory entities approval/indications
- <u>Need for specialized center</u>:
 - CAR T: Yes
 - Bispecifics: No
- Potential administration in outpatient setting
 - CAR T: No (yet?)
 - Bispecifics: Yes (IV and SC)



Patient Factors

- Age, comorbidities
- Prior treatments
- Patient preference:
 - One treatment: CAR T
 - Multiple treatments: Bispecifics

- Cost



Tumor Factors:

- Rapidly growing tumor
 - "Off the shelf": Bi-specifics
 - Need for some therapy for disease control : CAR T-cells
- Tumor antigen density
- Tumor antigen escape
- Tumor Microenvironment

Sequencing of CAR T-cells and Bispecifics in R/R DLBCL

<u>CAR T-cells first...then Bispecifics</u>

- Plenty of data....
- Several clinical trials have shown the efficacy and safety of Bispecifics after CAR T failures

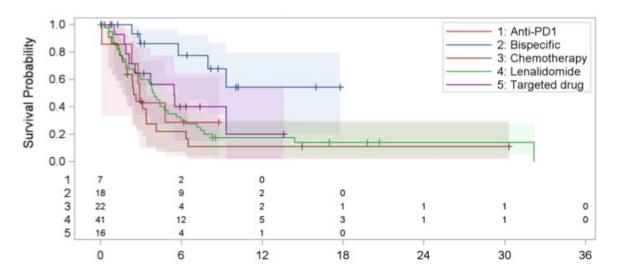


Figure 1: PFS since first progression (months) after CAR T cells therapy according to type of treatment.

Erbella, et al. ASH 2022 Abstract #553

Sequencing of CAR T-cells and Bispecifics in R/R DLBCL

- Bi-specific first...then CAR T-cells
 - Data is emerging....
 - <u>ASH 2022:</u> French <u>Descar</u> T Registry: CAR T-cell therapy remain effective in pts with R/R B-cell NHL after Bispecific antibodies exposure. Crochet, G. et.al
 - Retrospective study. 28 pts, 23 with DLBCL
 - Mainly Glofitamab: ORR:53.6%; CR: 25%. 6mo PFS: 17.4% mDOR: 2.7months. All pts progressed and went to receive bridge therapy
 - After CAR T-cells: ORR: 91.6%; CR: 45.8%
 - Median follow up 12.3 mo: 1-year PFS:37.2; OS:53.5%
 - No new toxicity signals were identified

<u>R/R DLBCL: Changing the Treatment Paradigm</u> with CAR T cells and Bispecifics













THANK YOU !



