The art of medicine in treating CLL

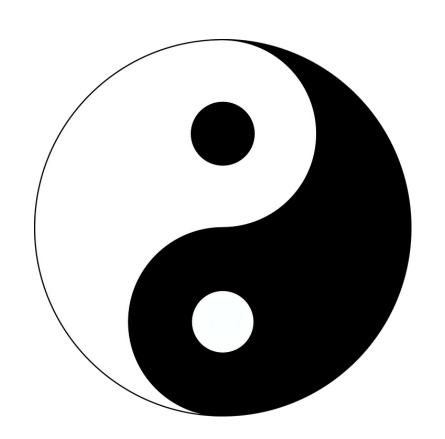


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The dilemma continue between long term therapy vs fixed duration



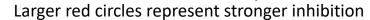
The new era of BTK Inhibitors in CLL

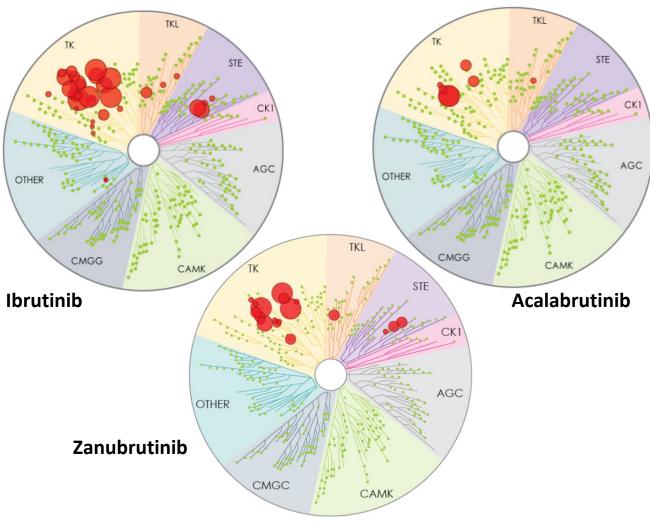
 IC_{50}/EC_{50} (nM)

Acalabrutini

Kinase	Ibrutinib	b	Zanubrutinib
ВТК	1.5	5.1	0.5
TEC	10	126	44
ITK	4.9	> 1000	50
BMX	0.8	46	1.4
EGFR	5.3	> 1000	21
ERBB4	3.4	16	6.9
JAK3	32	> 1000	1377
BLK	0.1	> 1000	2.5

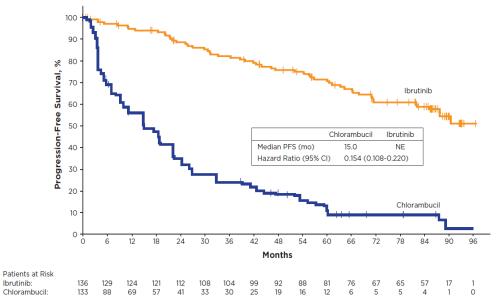
Kinase Selectivity Profiling at 1 μmol/L (in vitro)



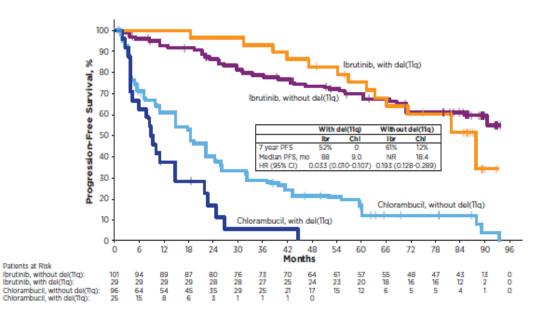


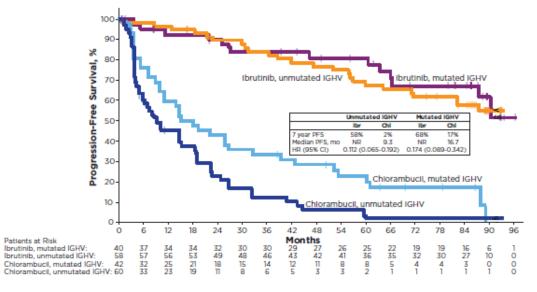
Kaptein. ASH 2018.

RESONATE-2: 8-Year Follow-Up - PFS

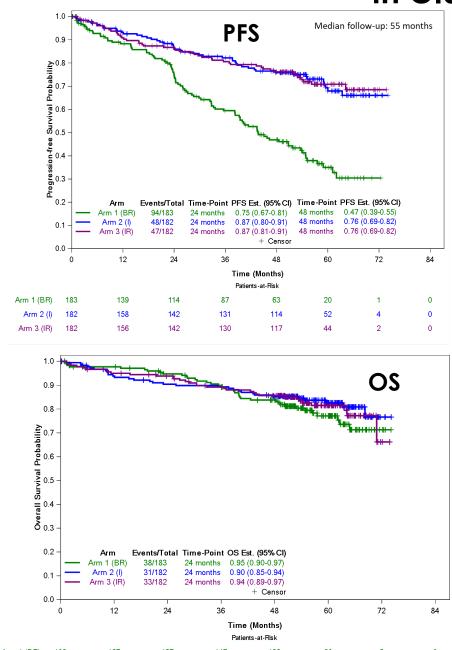


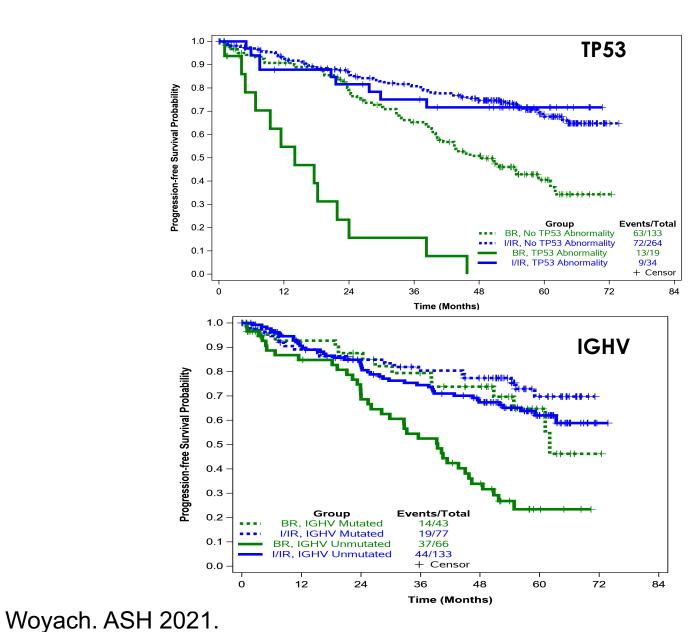
	Ibrutinib n=136
Median duration of ibrutinib treatment, years	6.2
Continuing ibrutinib on study, n (%)	57 (42)
Discontinued ibrutinib, n (%)	
AE	32 (24)
PD	18 (13)
Death	12 (9)
Withdrawal by patient	9 (7)
Investigator decision	7 (5)





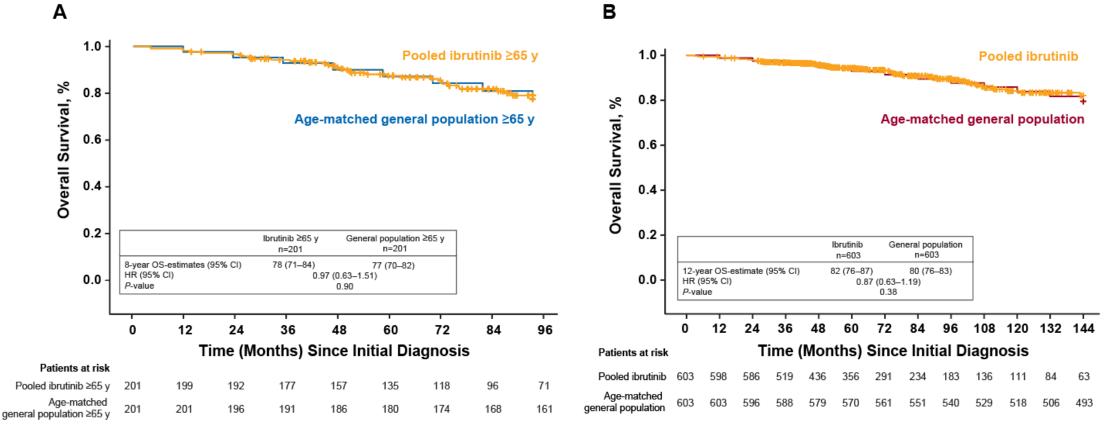
A041202: First-line Ibrutinib \pm Rituximab vs Bendamustine + Rituximab in Older Patients With CLL/SLL





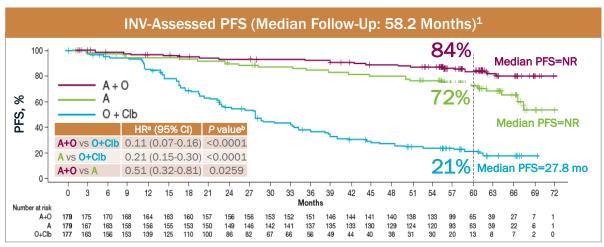
Initiating 1L Ibrutinib in Patients with CLL Improves Overall Survival Outcomes to Rates Approximating an Age-Matched Population of ≥65

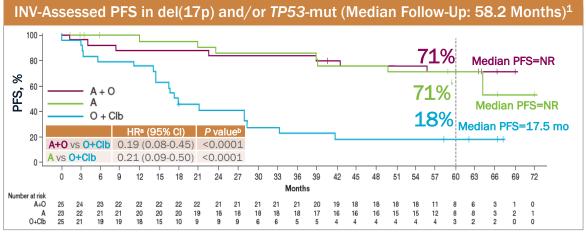
Similar OS for Pooled Ibrutinib-Treated Patients ≥65 years^a and (A) All Pooled Ibrutinib-Treated Patients^b , (B) Age-Matched General US Population

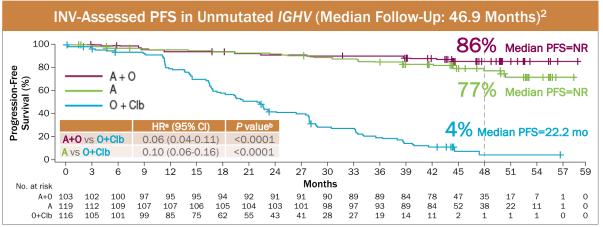


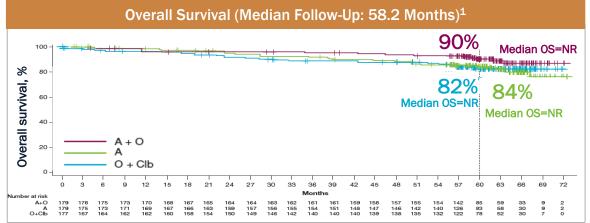
Paolo Ghia et al., Presented at ASH 2022; No. #1809

5-Year Follow-Up of ELEVATE-TN: Acalabrutinib ± Obinutuzumab vs Obinutuzumab + Chlorambucil in TN CLL – PFS and OS^{1,2}



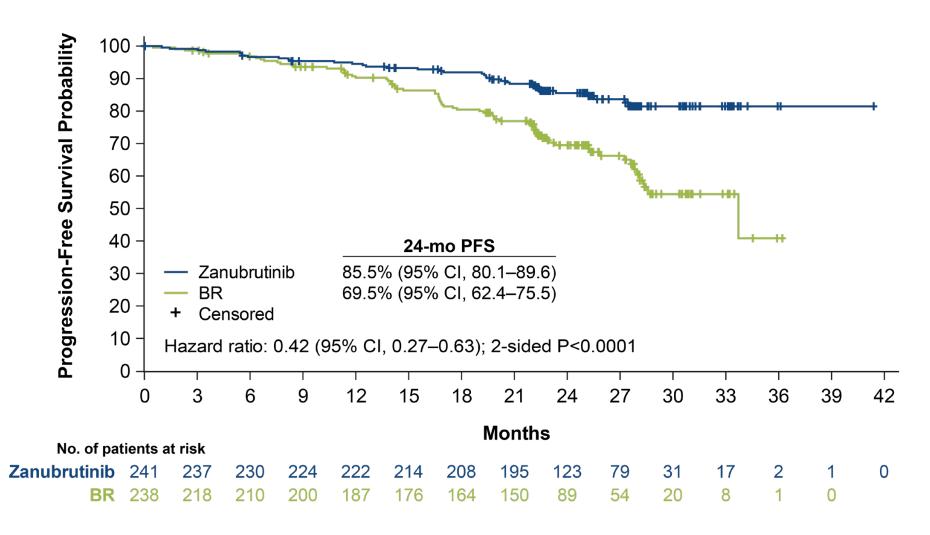




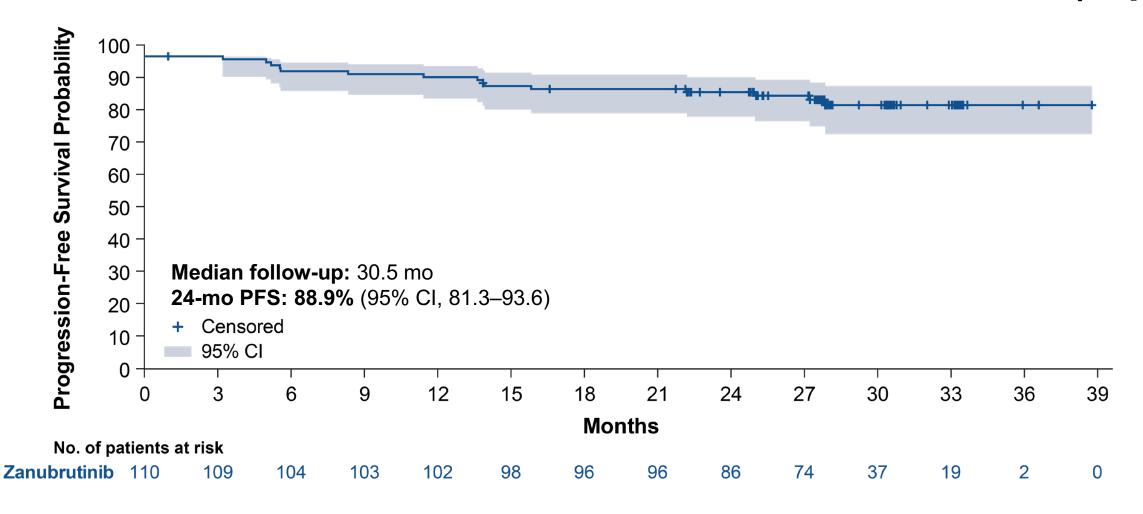


- At a median follow-up of 58.2 months (range, 0.0-72.0), OS data were immature, and medians were not reached in any treatment arm
- Relative risk for death was lower in the A+O vs O+Clb arm (HR=0.55, 95% CI: 0.30-0.99)
 Crossover from O+Clb to A occurred after disease progression in 72 patients (41%)
- All analyses are based on descriptive statistics

SEQUOIA Cohort 1:PFS per IRC Assessment

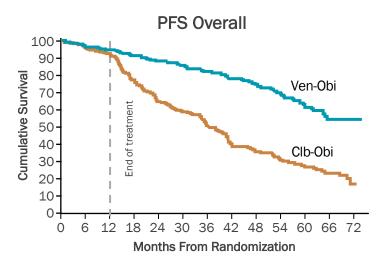


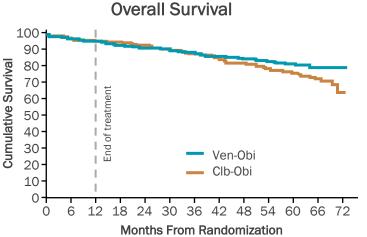
Cohort 2: PFS Per IRC Assessment in Patients With Del(17p)

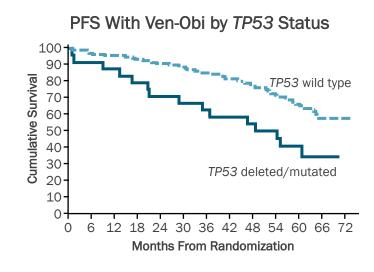


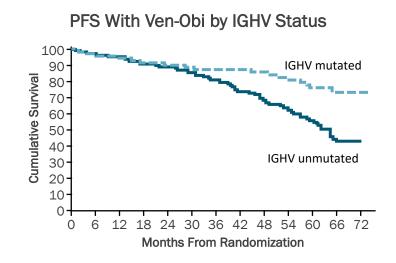
CLL14: Phase 3 Study of Venetoclax-Obinutuzumab vs Chlorambucil-Obinutuzumab in Unfit Patients

5-Year Progression-Free and Overall Survival









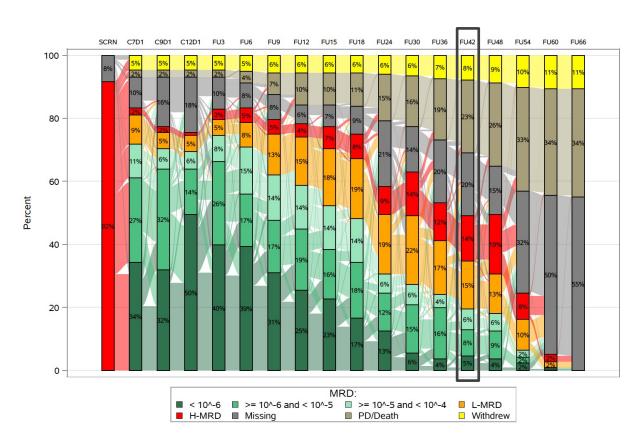
PFS by Subgroup		Ven-Obi (n=216)	Clb-Obi (n=216)
	Median, months	NR	36.4
All patients	5-year rate, %	62.6	27.0
	HR (95% CI); <i>P</i> value	0.35 (0.26-0.46); < 0.0001	
Median PFS, months			
TDF2 dol/mut	No	NR (n=184)	38.9 (n=184)
TP53 del/mut	Yes	49.0 (n=25)	19.8 (n=24)
ICHV status	Mutated	NR (n=76)	59.9 (n=83)
IGHV status	Unmutated	64.2 (n=121)	26.9 (n=123)

Al-Sawaf O, et al. EHA 2022. Abstract S148.

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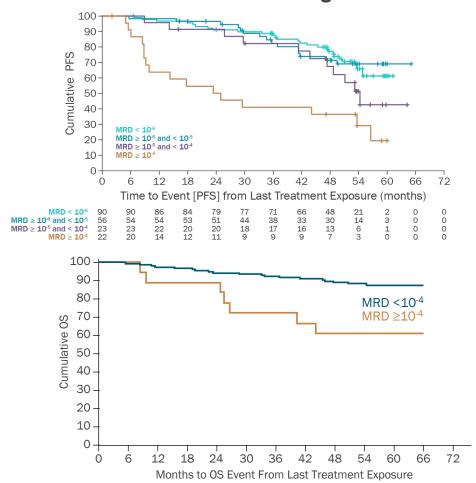
MRD Assessments

Longitudinal MRD Assessment by NGS in PB: Ven-Obi



4 years after Ven-Obi, 39 patients (18.1%) had sustained MRD <10-4

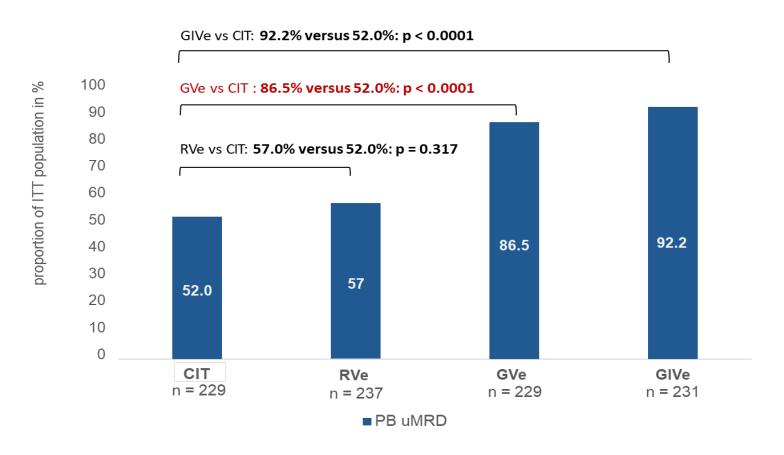
PFS and OS After Ven-Obi According to MRD Status



GAIA (CLL13) trial

uMRD (< 10-4) at Mo15 in PB by 4-colour-flow

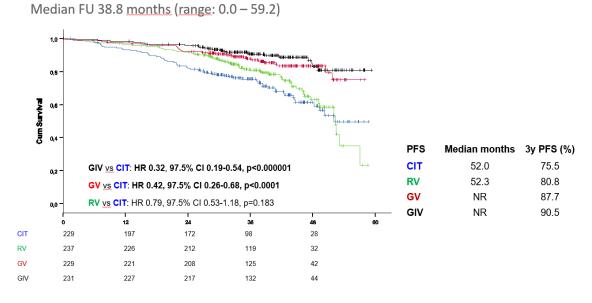
ITT analysis: 63 pts (34 CIT, 15 RVe, 10 GVe, 4 GIVe) with missing samples (6.8%) were counted as MRD positive

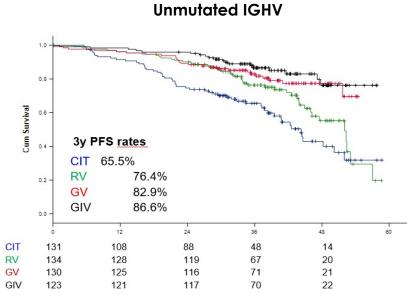


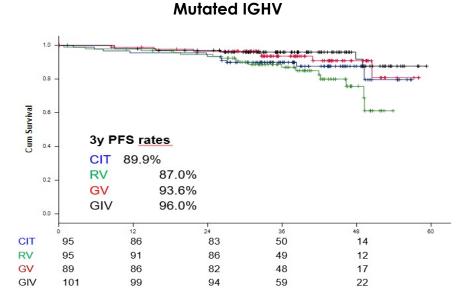
	uMRD%	97.5% CI
GIVe	92.2	87.3 – 95.7
GVe	86.5	80.6 – 91.1
RVe	57.0	49.5 – 64.2
SCIT	52.0	44.4 – 59.5

Results of the coprimary endpoint progression-free survival (PFS)

GAIA (CLL13) trial PFS and PFS by IgHV



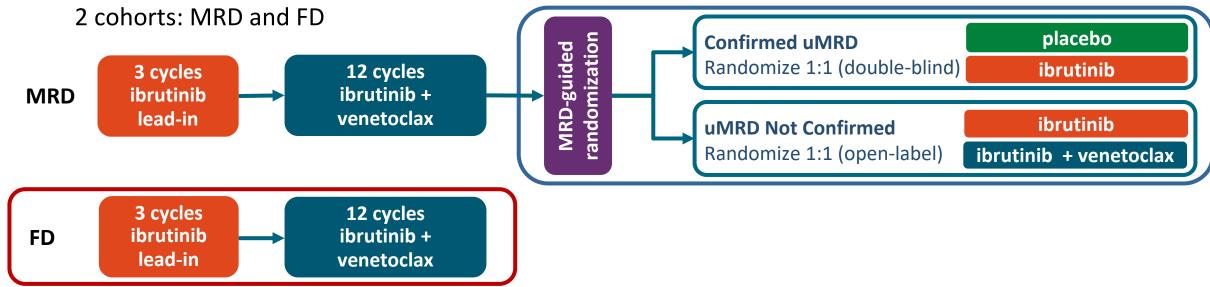




Eichhorst, et al., EHa 2022

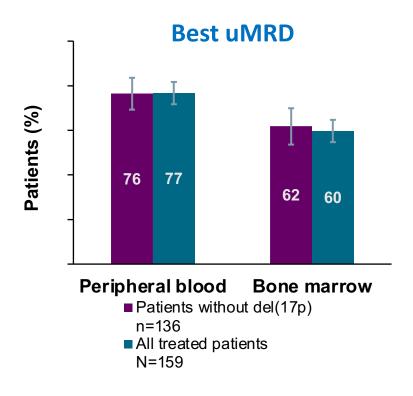
Phase 2 CAPTIVATE Study

 CAPTIVATE (PCYC-1142) is an international, multicenter phase 2 study evaluating first-line treatment with 3 cycles of ibrutinib followed by 12 cycles of combined ibrutinib + venetoclax that comprises



Results from the MRD cohort demonstrated uMRD in more than two-thirds of patients treated with 12 cycles of ibrutinib + venetoclax (PB, 75%; BM, 68%), and 30-month PFS rates of ≥95% irrespective of subsequent MRD-guided randomized treatment¹

CAPTIVATE Fixed-Dose Cohort: MRD

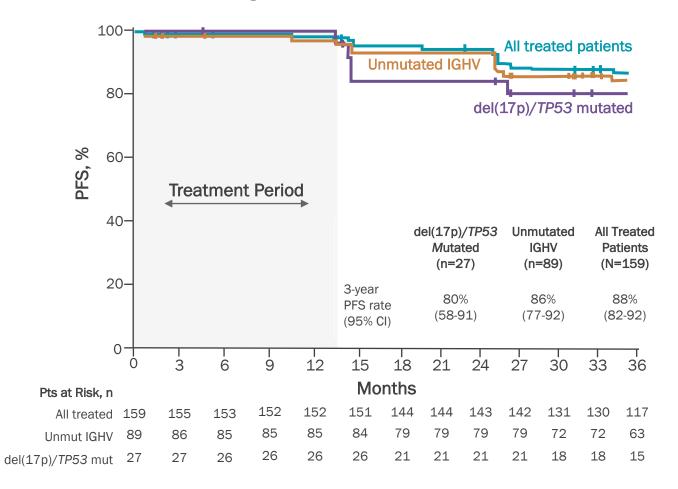


uMRD rate	РВ	ВМ
Bulky Disease		
Yes	77%	63%
No	77%	59%
IGHV status		
ulGHV	84%	64%
mIGHV	67%	53%

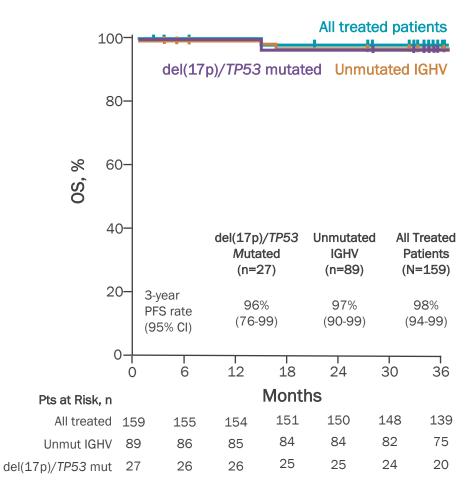
CAPTIVATE FD Cohort: Phase 2 Study of Ibrutinib-Venetoclax

Progression-Free and Overall Survival^{1,2}

Progression-Free Survival^a



Overall Survivala

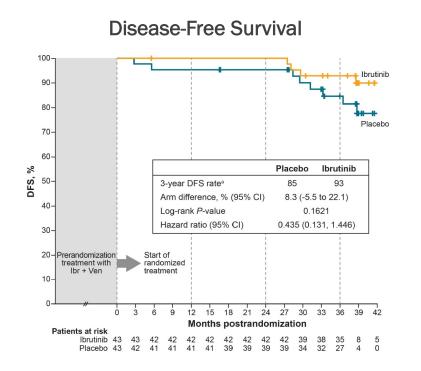


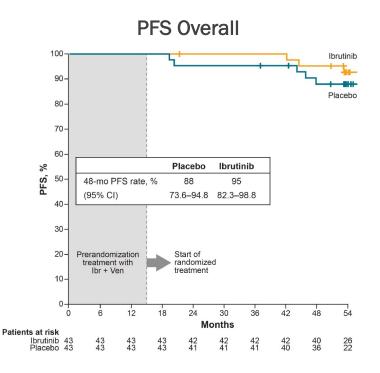
^a Due to rapid enrollment in the study, the number of patients at risk drops substantially between 36 and 39 months. The Kaplan-Meier curves have therefore been truncated at 38 months due to instability of the curves.

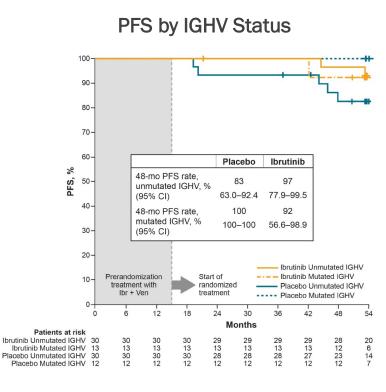
1. Moreno C. et al. EHA 2022, Abstract P669, 2. Weirda WG, et al. ASCO 2022, Abstract 7519.

CAPTIVATE MRD Cohort: Phase 2 Study of Ibrutinib-Venetoclax

Disease-Free and Progression-Free Survival







- Median time on study (patients with confirmed uMRD): 56 months
- Median follow-up postrandomization: 41.2 months in placebo arm; 41.5 months in ibrutinib arm
- 4-year overall survival rate: 100% in placebo arm; 98% in ibrutinib arm

Allan JN, et al. ASH 2022. Abstract 92.

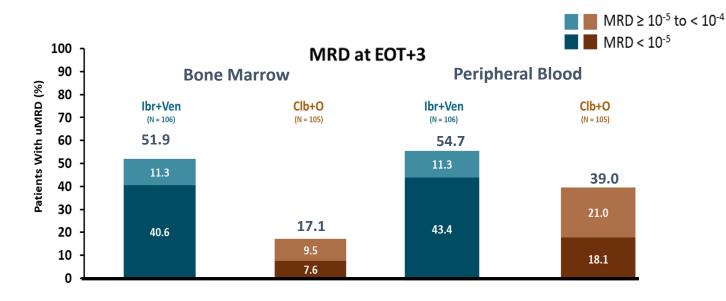
Retreatment Data From CAPTIVATE: 3-yr Update

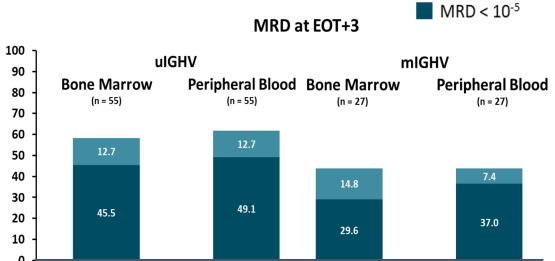
	Baseline High-Risk Features ^a		Response to	Response to			
Patient	del(17p)	<i>TP53</i> mutated	uIGHV	Complex karotype	PFS (months)	Best response	Retreatment with Ibr as of April 2022
1	No	No	Yes	No	36.5	CR	PR
2	No	No	Yes	Yes	27.6	CR	PR
3	Yes	No	No	No	28.5	CRi	PR
4	No	No	No	Yes	30.4	PR	PR
5	No	No	No	No	27.4	PR	PR
6	No	No	No	Yes	22.0	PR	PR
7	No	No	Yes	Yes	38.6	CR	PR-L
8	No	No	Yes	Yes	38.6	PR	PR
9	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	16.6	PR	PR
10	No	No	Yes	No	39.6	PR	SD
11	No	No	Yes	Unknown	38.6	CR	PR
12	No	No	Yes	Yes	38.6	CR	Unavailable

^aData per 04 Aug 2021 data cut.

- As of April 2022, 12 patients with PD after FD ibrutinib + venetoclax were retreated with ibrutinib monotherapy
 - Best response to FD ibrutinib + venetoclax ranged from PR to CR
 - Duration of single-agent ibrutinib retreatment ranged from 6 to 32 mo
 - 11 of 12 patients were evaluable for response
 - PR (n = 9);
 - PR-L (n = 1);
 - SD (n = 1)

GLOW: MRD at EOT+3 by IgHV status

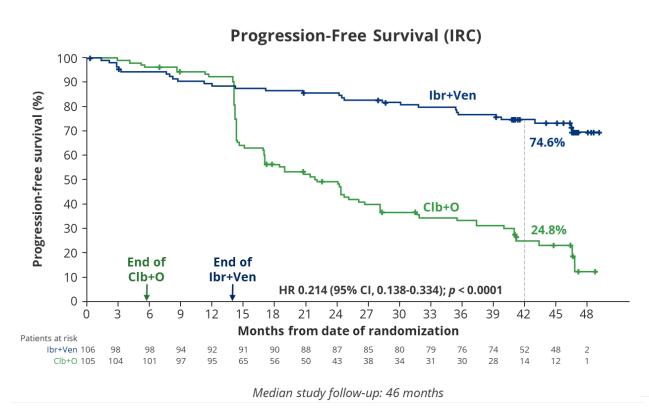


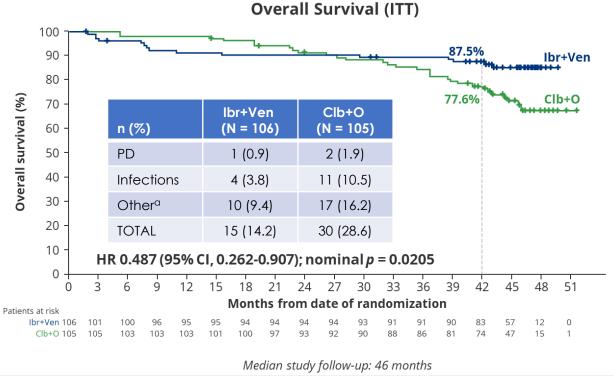


MRD ≥ 10⁻⁵ to < 10⁻⁴

Munir, ASH 2021.

GLOW: I+V vs Clb+O in Elderly or Unfit 1L CLL: 4-year Update





Progression free survival:

- Ibr + Ven reduced risk of progression or death by 79%
- •Estimated 3.5 year PFS: 74.6% for lbr+Ven
- 24.8% for Clb + O

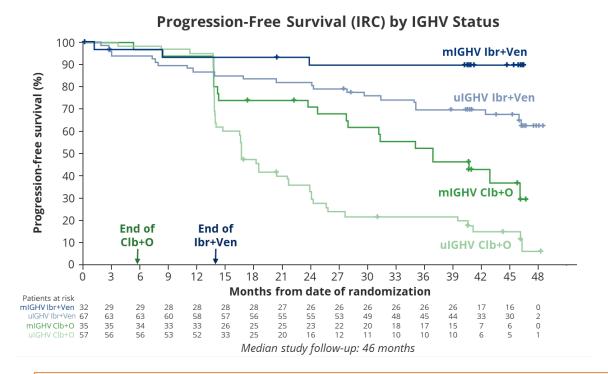
Overall Survival:

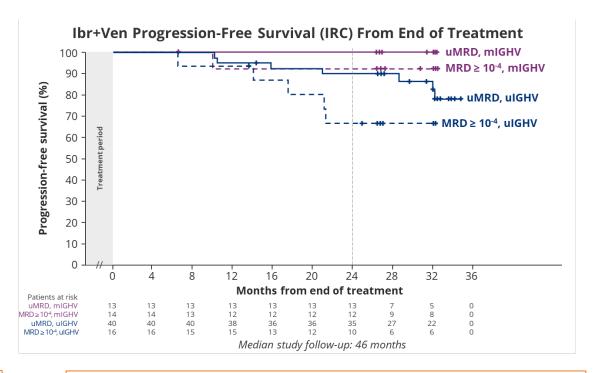
- In the Clb+O arm, 39/41 patients requiring subsequent treatment received a BTKi or venetoclax
- The majority of deaths in the Clb+O arm occurred while off any treatment
- More infection-related deaths were seen in the Clb+O arm

Niemann, et al., ASH 2022;

GLOW: PFS by IGHV Mutational Status/MRD

(Elderly/Unfit, 12-mo Fixed Duration)



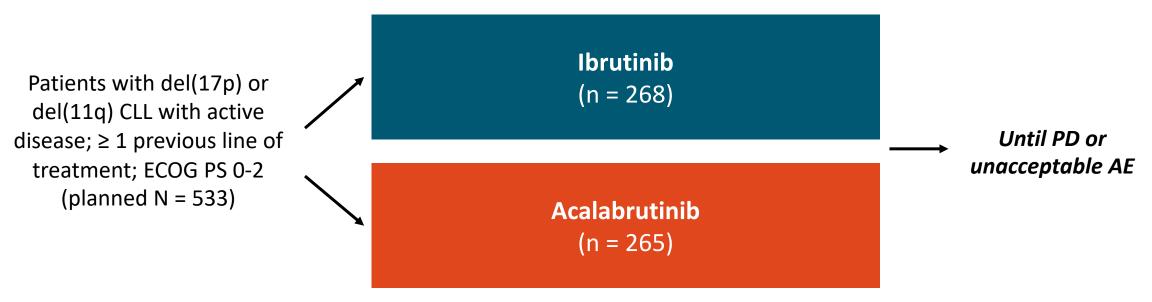


- Impact of IGHV status on PFS was more pronounced with Clb+O
- > 90% of patients in the I+V arm did not require subsequent treatment at 3.5 years:
 - 91.5% for uIGHV
 - 93.5% for mIGHV

- Estimated PFS at 2 years post-treatment for uIGHV CLL:
 - 90% for uMRD at EOT+3 vs 67% for MRD \ge 10⁻⁴
- Estimated PFS at 2 years post-treatment for mIGHV CLL:
 - > 90% regardless of MRD status at EOT+3

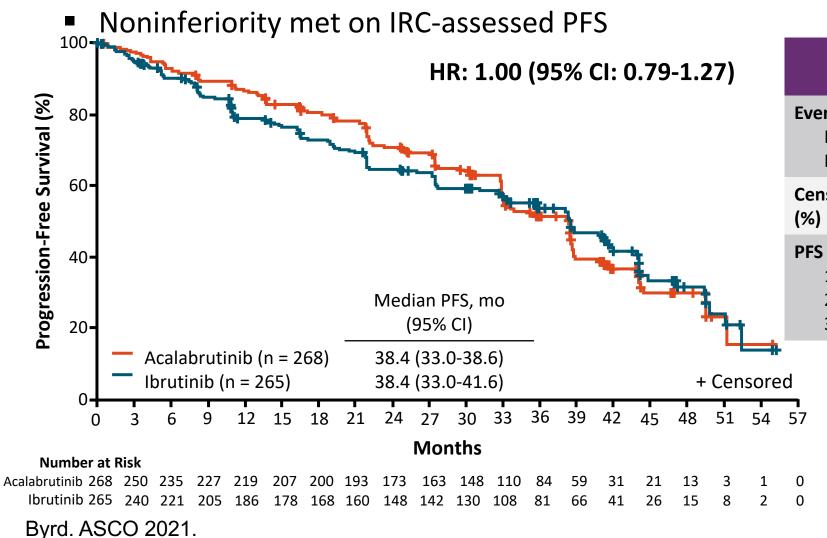
ELEVATE-RR: Ibrutinib vs Acalabrutinib in Patients With High-Risk Relapsed/Refractory CLL

Final analysis of randomized, multicenter, open-label, noninferiority phase III trial



- Primary endpoint: PFS
- Secondary endpoints: OS; incidence of treatment-emergent AEs, atrial fibrillation; Richter's transformation; grade ≥3 infections
- FPI October 2015 LPI November 2017 (25 mo)
- Final analysis: 279 IRC PFS events, data cutoff 9/2020

ELEVATE-RR: Noninferiority Met on IRC-Assessed PFS



Median follow-up: 41 months

	Acalabrutinib (n = 268)	Ibrutinib (n = 265)
Events, n (%) Death PD	143 (53.4) 22 (8.2) 121 (45.1)	136 (51.3) 28 (10.6) 108 (40.8)
Censored, n (%)	125 (46.6)	129 (48.7)
PFS (95% CI), % 12 months 24 months 36 months	86.7 (81.8-90.3) 70.9 (64.8-76.1) 51.4 (44.7-57.8)	78.8 (73.1-83.4) 64.5 (58.1-70.2) 53.8 (47.0-60.1)

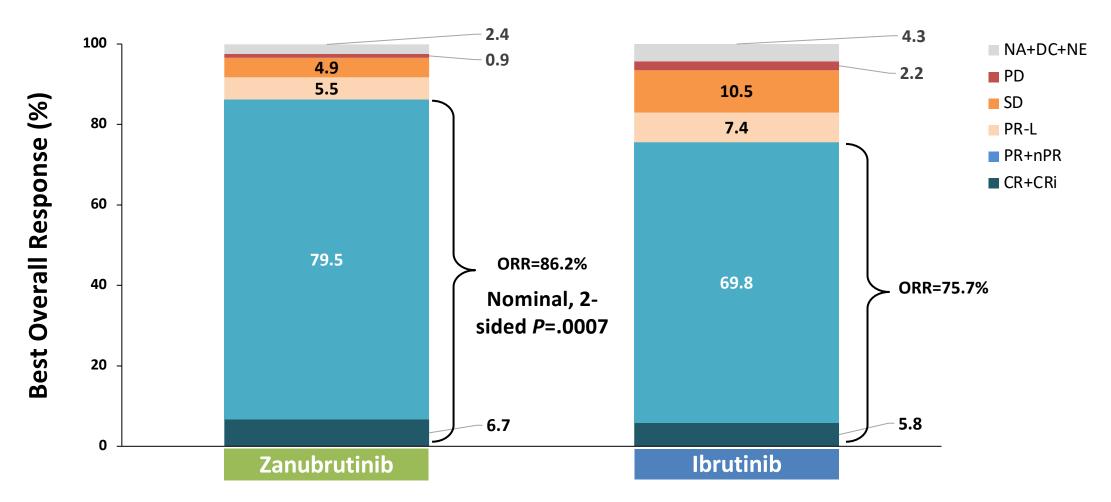
Noninferiority achieved if upper bound of the 95% CI of HR is less than the prespecified NI margin of 1.429

ELEVATE-RR: AEs of clinical interest

AE p (9/)	Acalabrutin	nib (n = 266)	Ibrutinib (n = 263)		
AE, n (%)	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	
Cardiac events - Atrial fibrillation/flutter - Ventricular arrhythmias	64 (24.1) 25 (9.4) 0	23 (8.6) 13 (4.9) 0	79 (30.0) 42 (16.0) 3 (1.1)	25 (9.5) 10 (3.8) 1 (0.4)	
Bleeding events Major bleeding events	101 (38.0) 12 (4.5)	10 (3.8) 10 (3.8)	135 (51.3) 14 (5.3)	12 (4.6) 12 (4.6)	
Hypertension	25 (9.4)	11 (4.1)	61 (23.2)	24 (9.1)	
Infections	208 (78.2)	82 (30.8)	214 (81.4)	79 (30.0)	
ILD/pneumonitis	7 (2.6)	1 (0.4)	17 (6.5)	2 (0.8)	
SPMs, excluding NMSC	24 (9.0)	16 (6.0)	20 (7.6)	14 (5.3)	



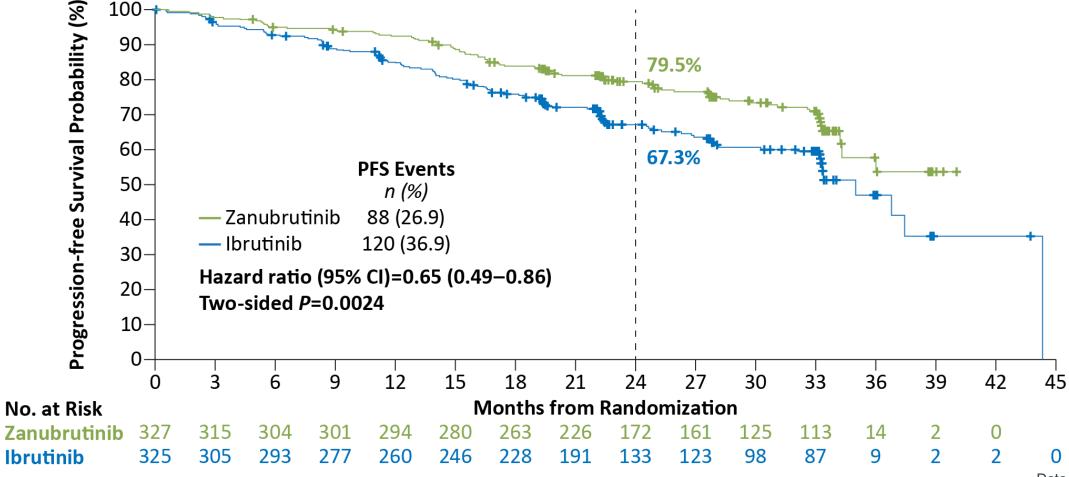
Zanubrutinib Showed Higher ORR Assessed by IRC



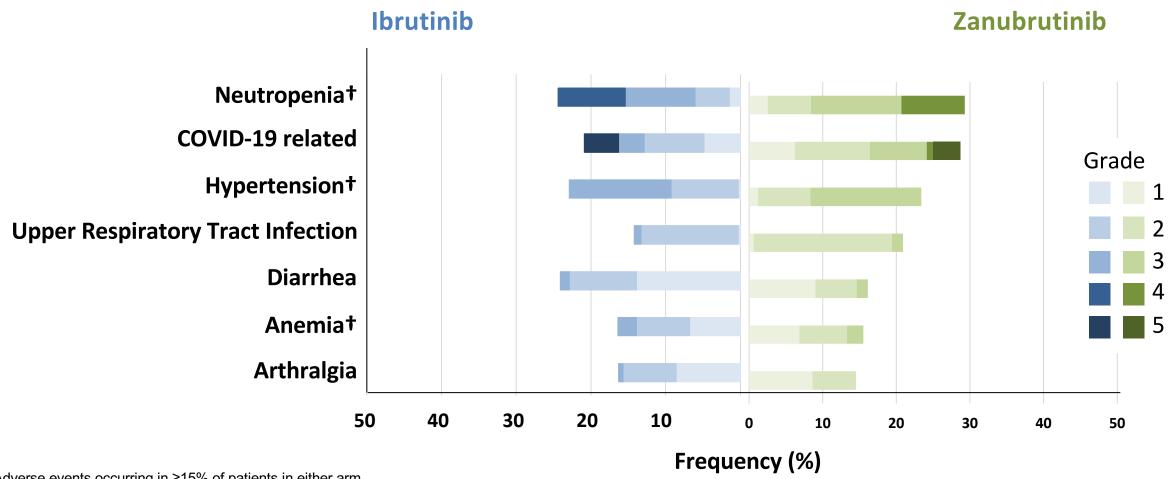
CR, complete response; CRi, complete response with incomplete bone marrow recovery; nPR, nodular partial response; PR, partial response; PR-L, partial response with lymphocytosis; SD, stable response; PD, progressive disease; NA, not assessed; DC, discontinued prior to first assessment; NE, not evaluable.

Zanubrutinib PFS by IRC Significantly Superior to Ibrutinib

Median study follow-up of 29.6 months



Most Common Adverse Events*



^{*}Adverse events occurring in ≥15% of patients in either arm. †Pooled terms.

Zanubrutinib: Cardiac Profile

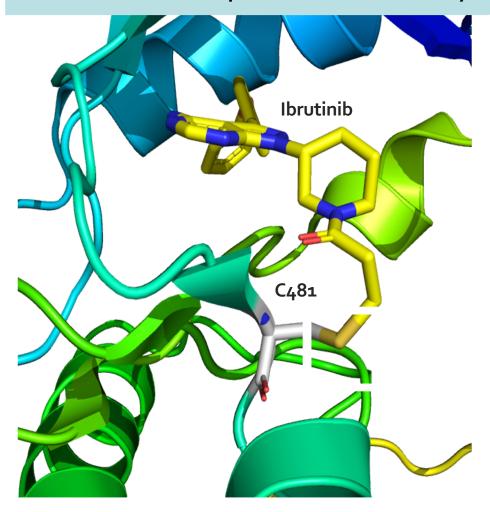
Lower rate of cardiac events, serious cardiac events, treatment discontinuation, and deaths

- Lower rate of serious cardiac adverse events reported with zanubrutinib
 - A fib/flutter (n=2)
 - MI/ACS (n=2)
 - CHF (n=2)

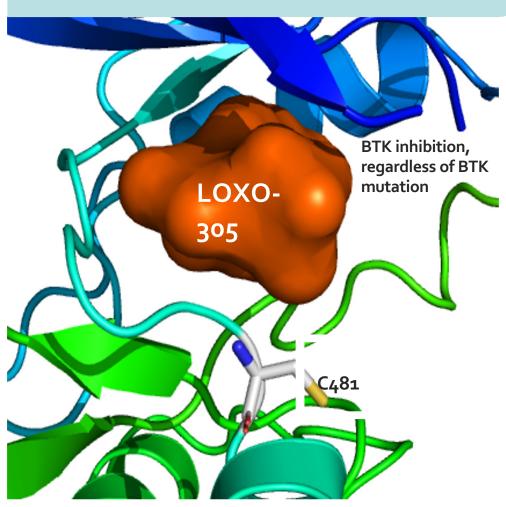
- Fatal cardiac events:
 - Zanubrutinib, n=0 (0%)
 - Ibrutinib, n=6 (1.9%)

	(n=324)	(n=324)
Cardiac adverse events	69 (21.3%)	96 (29.6%)
Serious cardiac adverse events	6 (1.9%)	25 (7.7%)
Cardiac adverse events leading to treatment discontinuation	1 (0.3)	14 (4.3)
Ventricular extrasystoles	1 (0.3)	0
Atrial fibrillation	0	5 (1.5)
Cardiac arrest	0	2 (0.6)*
Cardiac failure	0	2 (0.6)
Cardiac failure acute	0	1 (0.3)*
Congestive cardiomyopathy	0	1 (0.3)*
Myocardial infarction	0	1 (0.3)*
Palpitations	0	1 (0.3)
Ventricular fibrillation	0	1 (0.3)

Covalent BTK inhibitors (ibrutinib, acalabrutinib, zanubrutinib) require WT BTK for activity



LOXO-305 is a non-covalent BTK inhibitor that is potent against both WT and C481-mutant BTK



Pirtobrutinib Efficacy in CLL/SLL Patients who Received Prior BTKi Treatment

Prior

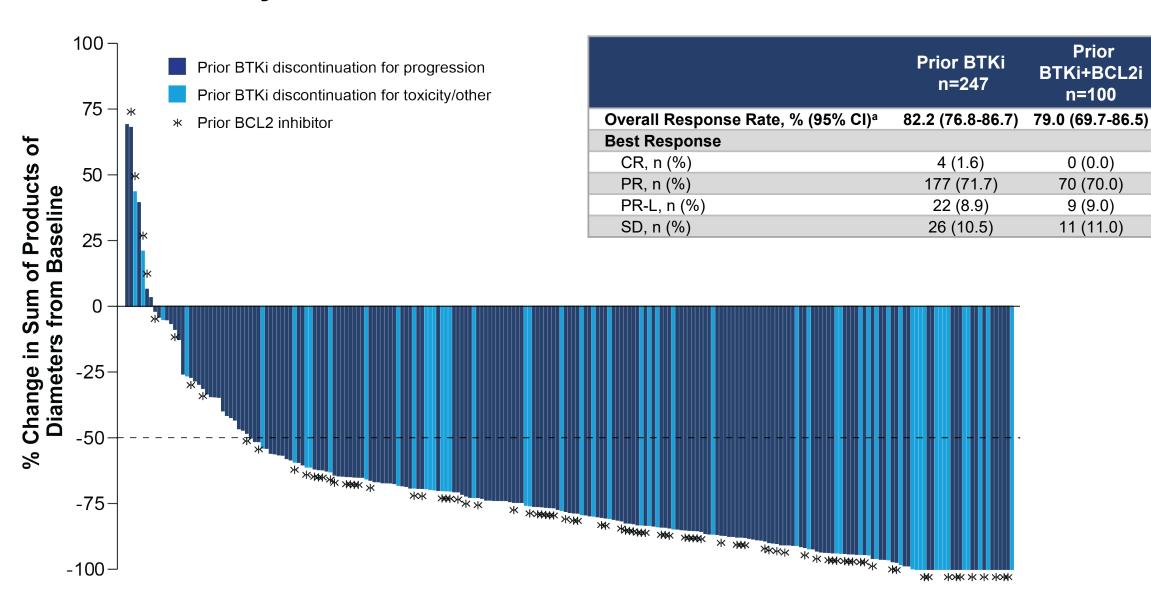
n=100

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70 (70.0)

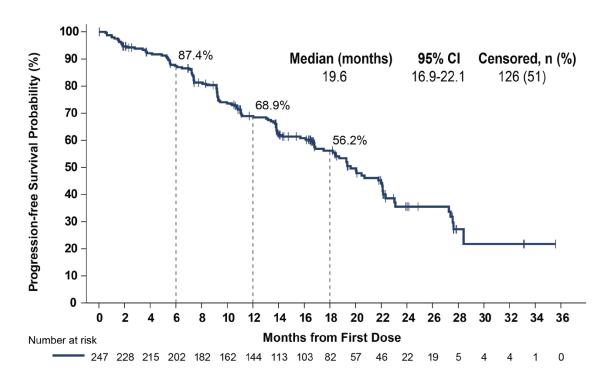
9 (9.0)

11 (11.0)



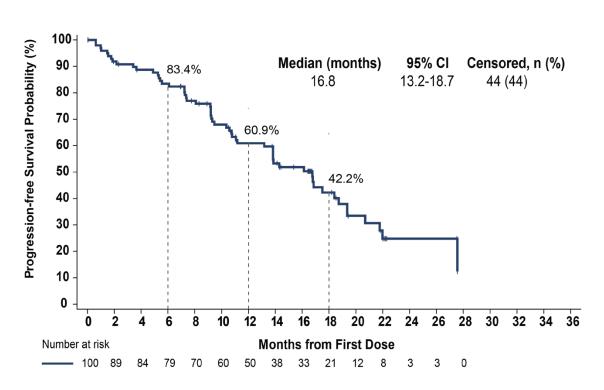
Progression-Free Survival in CLL/SLL Patients who Received Prior BTKi Treatment

All prior BTKi patients Median prior lines = 3



Median follow-up of 19.4 months for patients who received prior BTKi

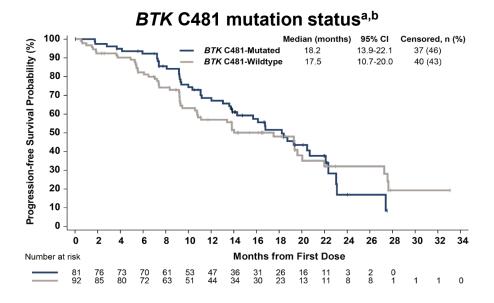
Prior BTKi and BCL2i patients Median prior lines = 5

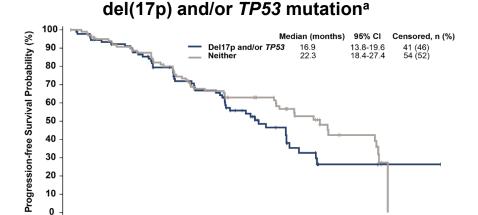


 Median follow-up of 18.2 months for patients who received prior BTKi and BCL2i

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Progression-Free Survival in CLL/SLL Subgroups





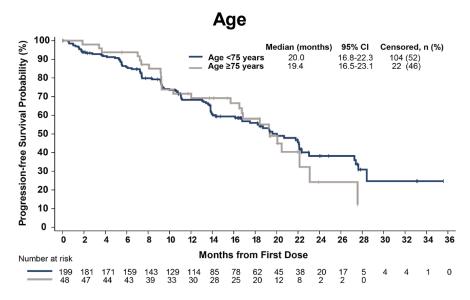
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Months from First Dose

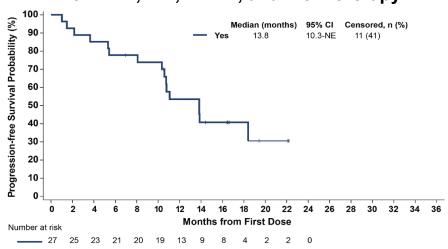
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Number at risk

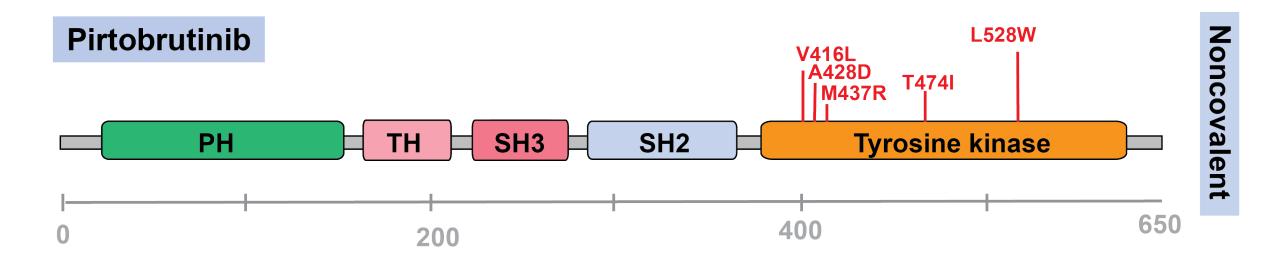






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Diverse BTK mutations cause resistance to non-covalent BTKi



BTK Leu528Trp Mutations in Patients with CLL on Zanubrutinib

- Consecutive samples at Peter MacCallum (AUS); N=37
- BTK Leu528Trp mutations were significantly enriched at time of PD for zanubrutinib versus ibrutinib:
 - **54%** [7/13] vs **4%** [1/24] (p=0.001)
- Other studies have shown that Leu528Trp mutations are rarely seen with ibrutinib

BTKi mutations detected in a cohort of patients with disease progression during BTKi treatment

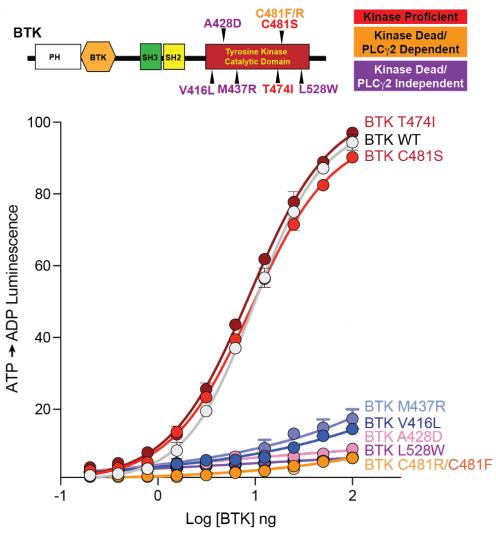
	Number of patients carrying the mutations			
,	Ibrutinib-treated patients (n = 24)	Zanubrutinib-treated patients (n =13)	Total	P
Cys481 codon mutations	24	10	34	.03
Leu528Trp	1	7	8	.001

Both patients with Leu528Trp mutations treated with pirtobrutinib had poor responses

Kinase-dead BTK Leu528Trp mutation is enriched in patients with CLL progressing on zanubrutinib versus ibrutinib, which has potential implications for choice of BTK inhibitor and subsequent therapies, like pirtobrutinib, where this mutation is suspected to confer resistance

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Not All BTK Mutations Are Equal: Concept of Kinase-Dead Mutations



- C481S mutations retain the kinase activity of BTK and can be successfully targeted with non-covalent BTK inhibitors like pirtobrutinib
- On the other hand, mutations such as L528W will lead to a kinase dead (or PLCγ2 independent) BTK that acts as a scaffold protein for other components of the BCR pathway.
- Both covalent and non-covalent BTKi that target the kinase domain will be ineffective in this setting.

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A First-in-Human Trial of NX-2127, a BTK Degrader, in R/R CLL and B-Cell Malignancies

R/R CLL (N=17)

≥ 2 prior line of therapy (median 6), 100% post BTKi, 77% post Ven

NX-2127

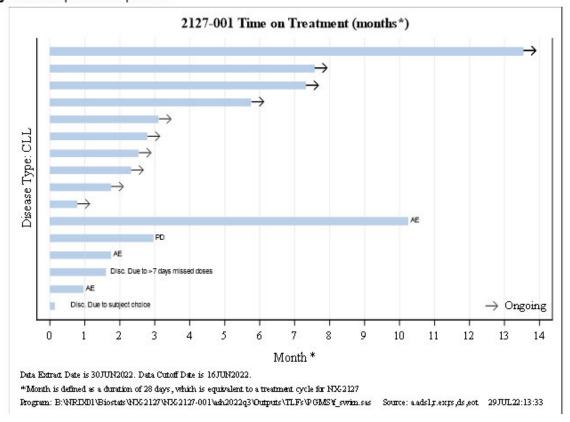
Dose escalation: 100, 200, 300 mg orally daily

Tolerability, Safety, Preliminary Efficacy

Table 1. Summary of treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) occurring in >15% of all patients (including patients with CLL and NHL)

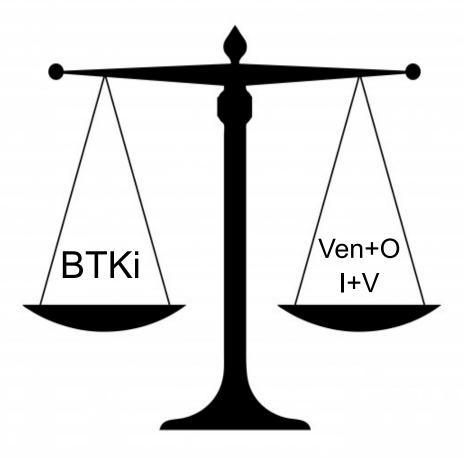
Preferred Term	All Grades (N=26)	Grade ≥ 3 (N=26)	Grade ≥ 3 Related (N=26)
Any AE	25 (96%)	15 (58%)	12 (46%)
Fatigue	16 (62%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Neutrophil Count Decrease	10 (39%)	9 (35%)	9 (35%)
Anemia	7 (27%)	4 (15%)	2 (8%)
Contusion	7 (27%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Hypertension	7 (27%)	1 (4%)	1 (4%)
Dyspnoea	5 (19%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)
Pruritis	5 (19%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Rash maculo-papular	5 (19%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Blood creatinine increased	4 (15%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
COVID-19	4 (15%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)
Diarrhea	4 (15%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Petechiae	4 (15%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Platelet count decreased	4 (15%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)

Figure 1. CLL patient disposition



The alternatives Treatment Paradigm in CLL: Factors to Consider

- Convenience (no infusions, TLS monitoring)
- Long-term efficacy data
- Multiple Phase 3 data
- Data for efficacy of venetoclax at time of ibrutinib progression
- Low progression while on continue therapy.
- Older age.
- Good data on High risk factors.
- LN based disease.
- High financial toxicity
- Prolong PFS while on therapy



Author's opinion.

- Potential for time-limited therapy
- Less concern with long-term adherence
- Potential for cost-savings if 1 year of therapy is durable
- Less financial toxicity
- Low risk dx/high risk
- BM and LN based disease: cytopenias.
- Younger age
- Possibility of retreatment

 Prolong PFS after MRD negative

Conclusions

- Patients preferences and Individualized therapy should be take into consideration.
- Great options for front line CLL: Long term therapy
 - First generation ibrutinib show great long term efficacy supported by multiple
 Phase III trials as well data for del17p/TP53 more discontinuation for AEs.
 - Second gen BTKi, acalabrutinib also showing excellent data with better tolerability.
 - Zanubrutinib now approved with great data in front line and good tolerability.
 - Pirtobrutinib soon to be an alternative for BTK resistance (approved in MCL).
- Great options for front line CLL: Fixed duration
 - Obinutuzumab+venetoclax: great efficacy with deep MRD responses.
 - Ibrutinib+venetoclax: approved in EU.
 - Triple therapies trials ongoing but unclear benefits.