# FCR:YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

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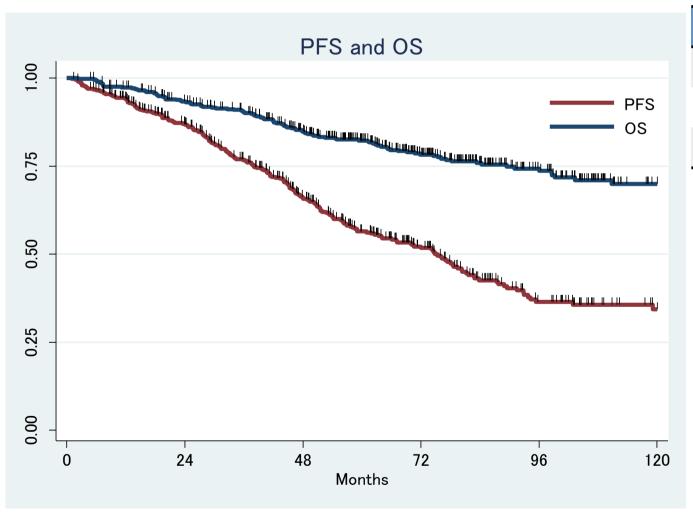
# Response to FC + Rituximab (NCI-WG: 300 Patients)\*

Response	#Pts.	(%)	
CR	217	(72%)	)
Nodular PR	31	(10%)	95%
PR	37	(12%)	
No Response	13	(4%)	
Early Death	2	(1%)	

\*Previously untreated CLL Patients

Tam CS, et al, *Blood.* 112(4):975-980, 2008 Aug 15

#### PFS and OS of all FCR patients



	PFS	os
Median	75.4 mo	NR
5-yr	56.5%	82.3%
10-yr	34.3%	70.0%

**FCR300** 

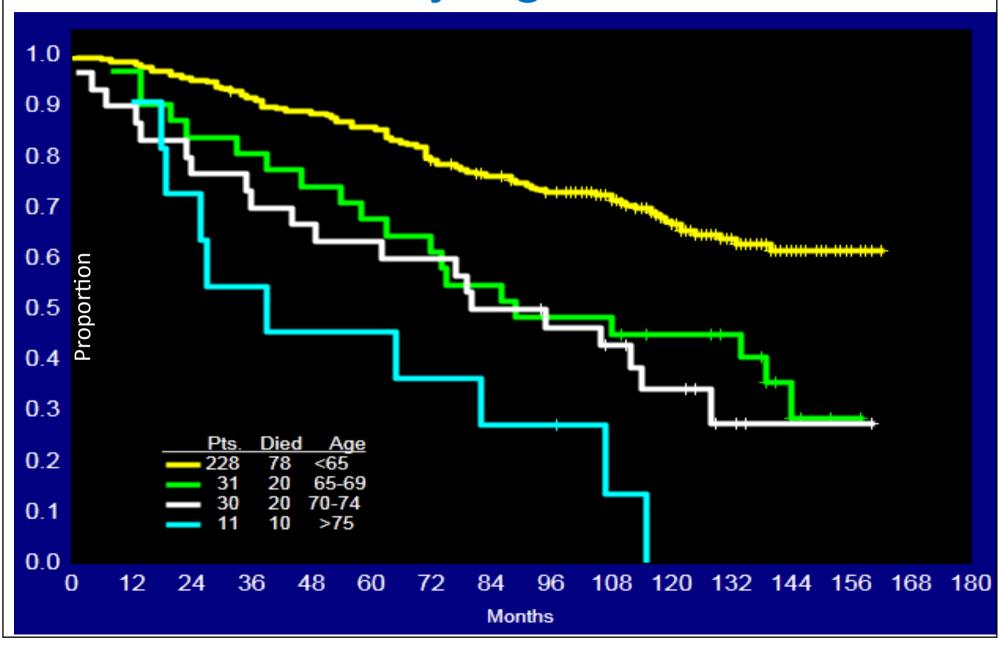
Median PFS: 6.4

years

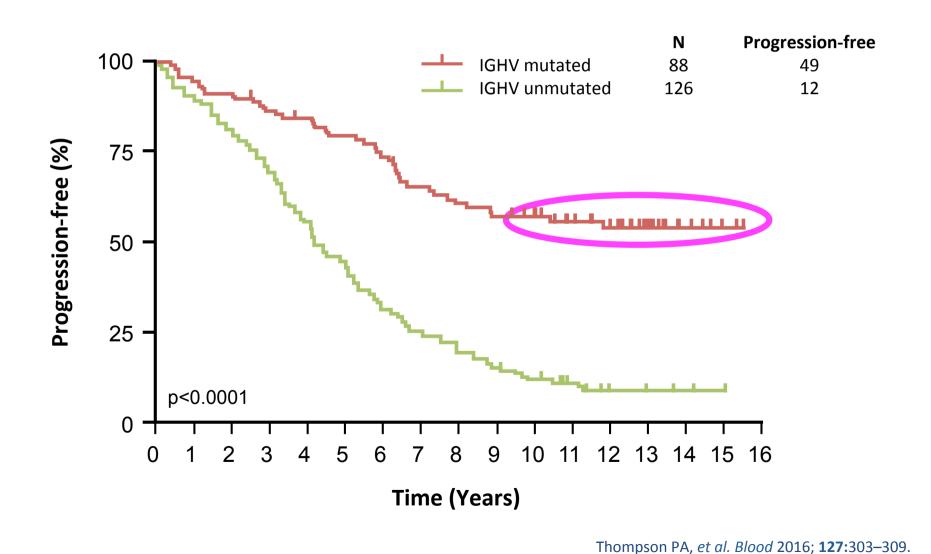
Median OS: 12.7

years

## Survival by Age -- FCR 300



# FCR300: PFS by IGHV Mutation Status



#### Newer Prognostic Factors in CLL

Parameter

Bad

B<sub>2</sub>Microglobulin

increased

**FISH** 

11q-, 17p-

VH Mutation Status

unmutated

**CD38** 

positive

ZAP70

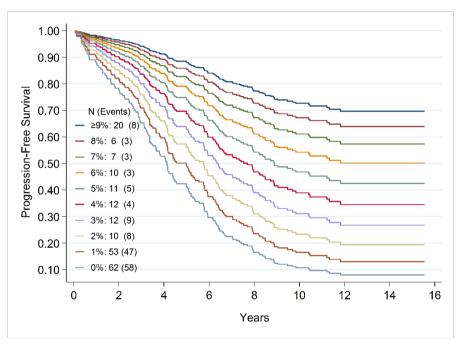
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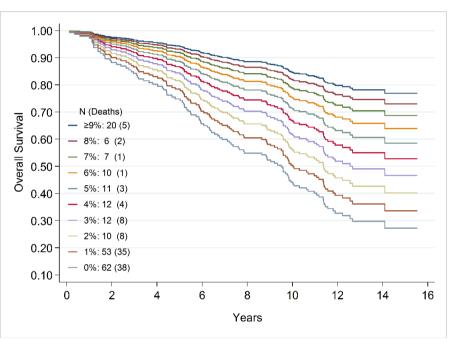
The absolute percent deviation of IGHV mutation rather than a 98% cut-off predicts survival of CLL patients treated with frontline FCR

#### FCR- Original clinical trial (n=203)

Median Follow up - 10.7 (0.1-15.5)







(HR: 95%; CI: 0.81 (0.76-0.87); P < 0.001)

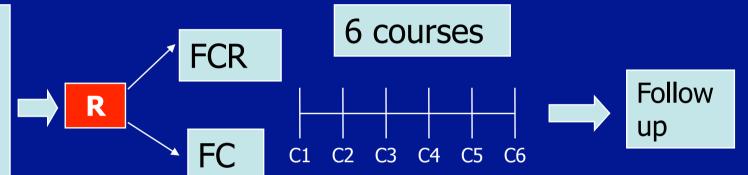
(HR: 95%; CI: 0.84 (0.78-0.91); P < 0.001)

A sustained increase in the percentage deviation of IGHV mutations is significantly associated with a lower risk of PFS and OS

Jain P et al BJH 2017 (in press)

## **CLL8 Study Design**

Patients with untreated, active CLL and good physical fitness (CIRS ≤ 6, creatinine clearance ≥ 70 ml/min)



Primary endpoint
-Progression-free survival (PFS)

#### Secondary endpoints

- Overall survival
- Rates of molecular, complete and partial remission
- Rates of treatment-related adverse effects

Hallek M et al. *Blood.* 2008;112. Abst 325

# Can we improve on FCR? 2004--2017

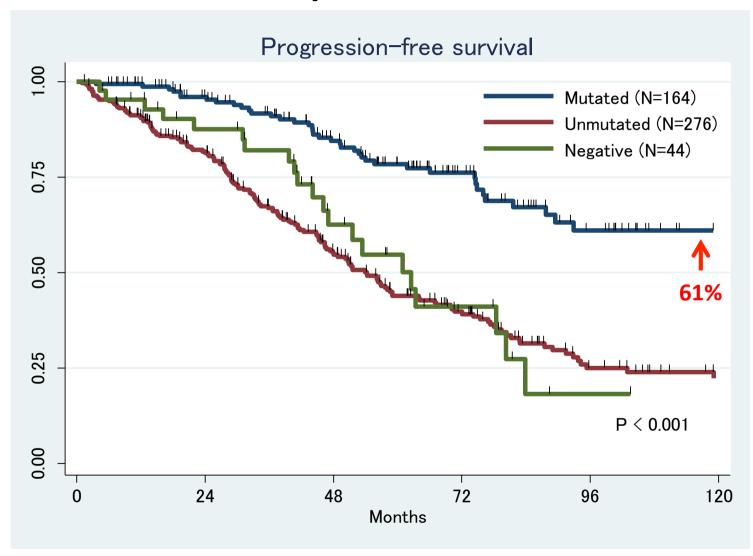
- 5 prospective trials
  - FCR3: 3 doses rituximab
  - FCM-R: Mitoxantrone
  - CFAR: Campath
  - FCR + GM-CSF
  - FCR (MRD)

#### FCR-BASED

- FCR: MRD assessment
- FISH and Mutation status in great majority

FCR-BASED	N (%)
Total No. of patients	492
Male	332 (67)
Median age (range)	59 (28-84)
Mutated IGHV	164 (33)
del(11q)	100 (20)
del(17p)	39 (8)

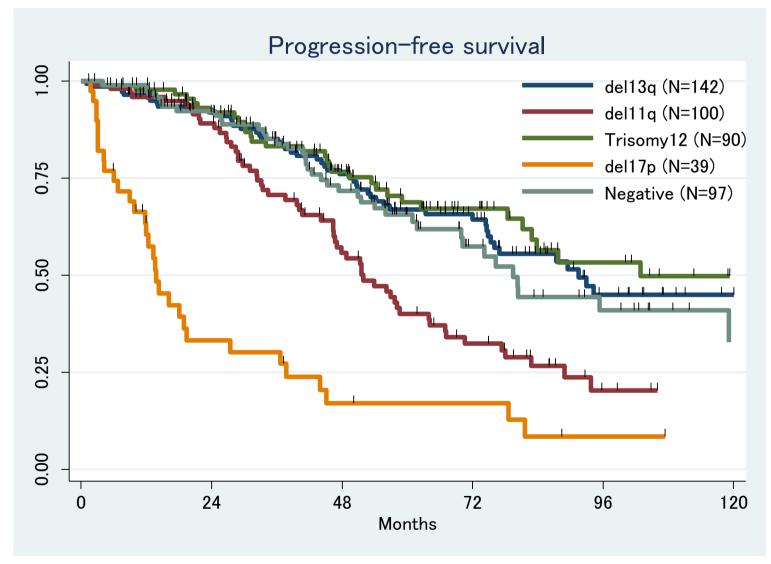
#### PFS in all patients based on IGHV



Plateau in mutated patients reproduced in this cohort

Negative group do worse similar to unmutated

## PFS based on FISH hierarchy



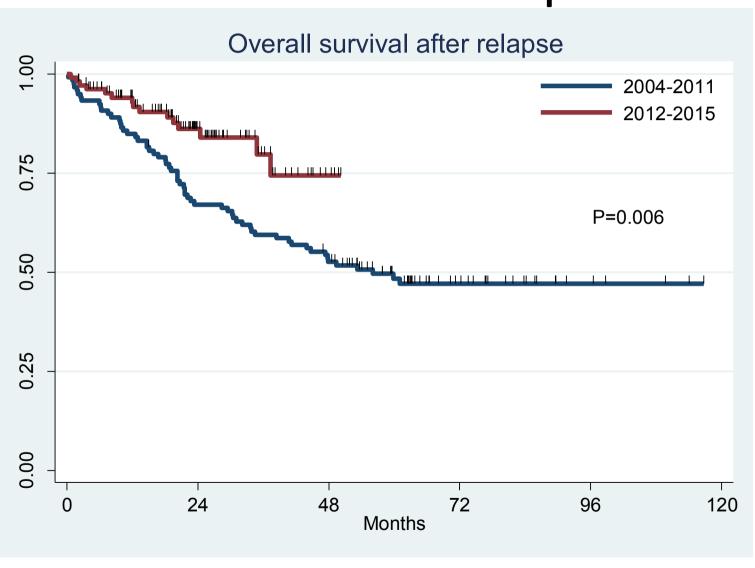
Consistent with previous studies

#### FISH and IGHV interelationship

	Mutated	Unmutated	Negative
del(13q)	78 (56)	55 (39)	7 (5)
del(11q)	5 (5)	80 (82)	13 (13)
Trisomy12	29 (32)	48 (53)	13 (14)
del(17p)	7 (18)	29 (74)	3 (8)
Negative	37 (39)	50 (53)	8 (8)

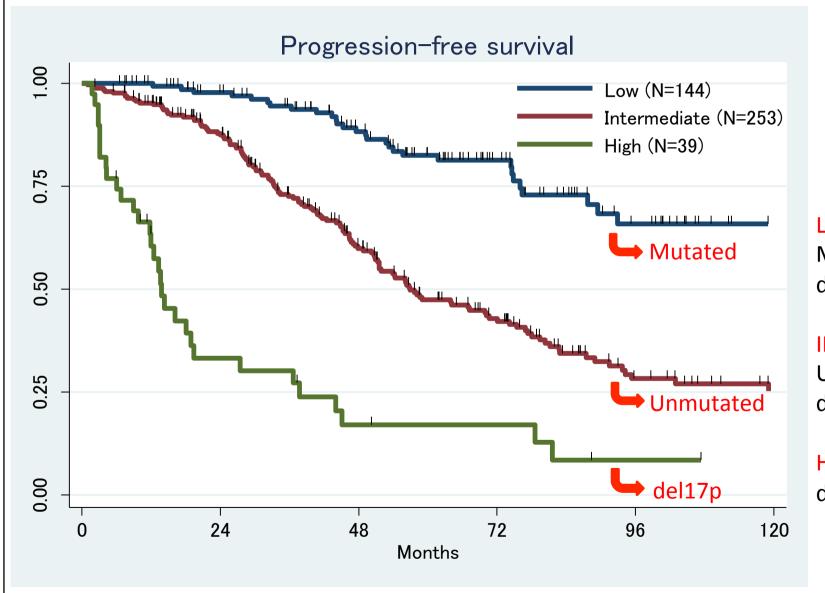
P<0.001

#### Survival after relapse



Salvage treatments are getting better!!

## Rossi risk group (Blood 2015)



#### **LOW**

Mutated, non del11q or del17p

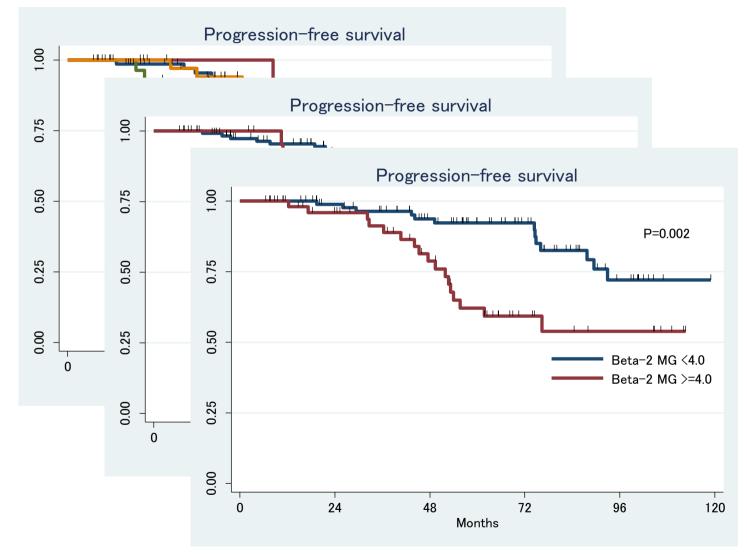
#### **INTERMEDIATE**

Unmutated or del11q

#### HIGH

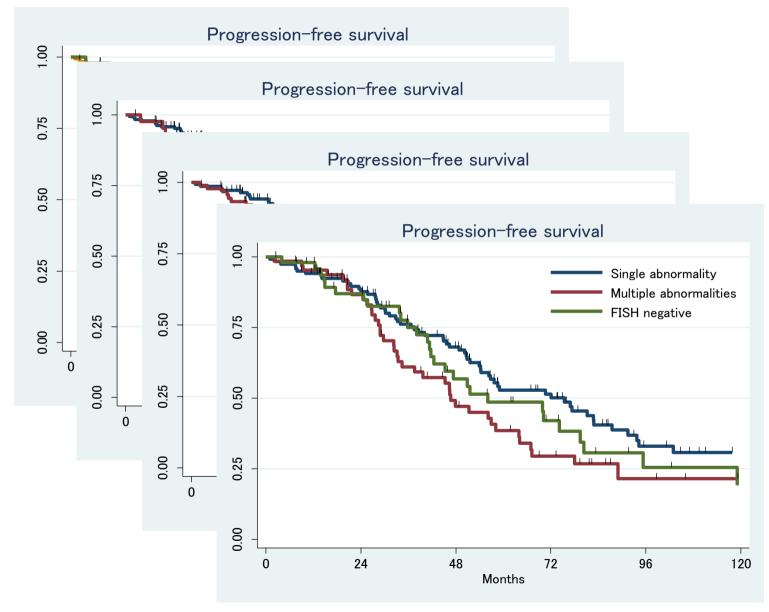
del17p

#### Mutated IGHV (N=157)



Age >65 is not associated with shorter PFS

#### Unmutated IGHV (N=247)



Trisomy12 is associated with longer PFS

No plateau..

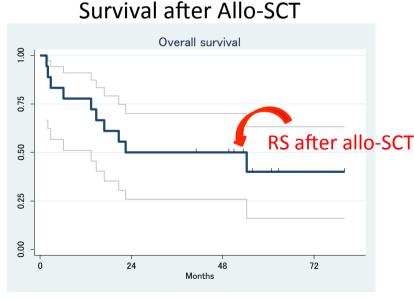
#### Mutation status by FISH



Mutated Trisomy 12 and Negative patients may do better than del13q in long term

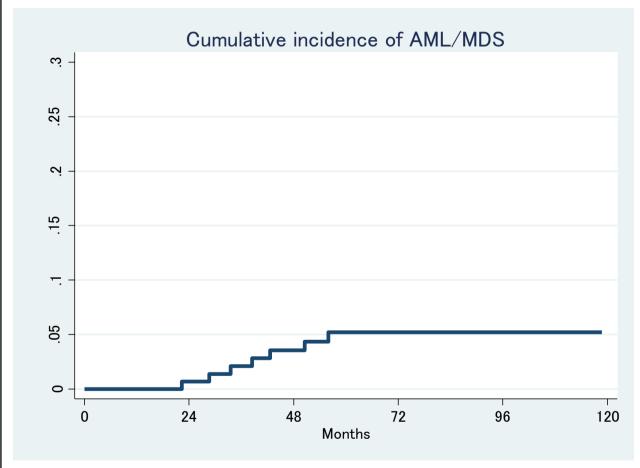
#### del 17P (N=39)

- Response to FCR based regimen
  - ORR: 72% (95%CI: 55-85%)
  - CRR: 51% (95%CI: 35-68%)
  - Median PFS: 13.8 mo (95%CI: 9.8-19.4 mo)
- 12 pts eventually experienced RS
- 18 pts underwent all-SCT
- 4 pts have > 36 mo PFS
  - 3 ongoing
  - 1 died from colon cancer



Median OS: 25.5 mo (13.4-NR)

## AML/MDS post FCR in Mutated



Years	CI (95% CI)
3-yr	2.1% (0.6-5.5%)
5-yr	5.2% (2.3-9.9%)
10-yr	5.2% (2.3-9.9%)

## Risk factors by CRR

**AML** 

RS

	SHR	95%CI
Age >60	3.95	1.44-10.8

	SHR	95%CI
Beta2MG >4.0	3.72	1.56-8.89
del 17P	19.6	5.1-75.0
Unmutated	3.31	0.97-11.3
No result	7.13	1.73-29.5

#### Multivariate

	SHR	95%CI
del 17P	8.98	2.39-33.7
No result	8.71	1.80-42.0

## CLL10 Study: FCR VS BR in FrontLine



Response to therapy (Best response)

Response	FCR n=274	BR n=273	p value
CR (CR + CRi)	47.4%	38.1%	0.031
CR	40.1%	36.3%	
CRi	7.3%	1.8%	
PR	50.4%	59.7%	
ORR	97.8%	97.8%	1.0

Eichhorst et al. ASH 2013, Abstract 526.

# CAN WE REPLACE CYTOTOXIC CHEMOTHERAPY AS FRONTLINE TREATMENT?

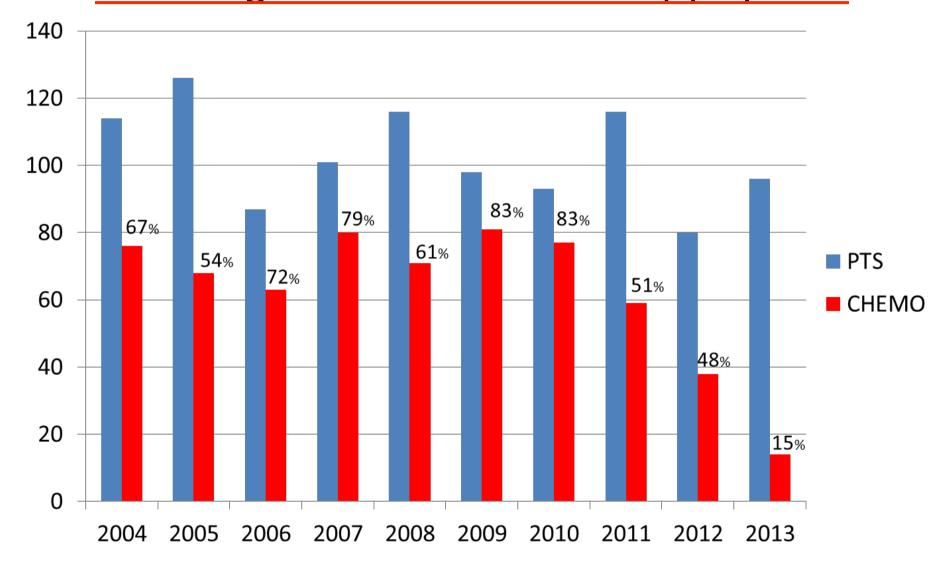
45% of deaths of CLL patients are associated with second malignancies including 73% of deaths in first remission!

# Risk of 2<sup>nd</sup> malignancies for fcr-based vs non-genotoxic regimens as initial therapy for CLL in patients >65 years

Malignancy	FCR-based (n=120)	Non-genotoxic* (n=170)
Solid tumors	13 (11%)	18 (11%)
Richter's transformation	8 (7%)	2 (1%) p=.02
AL/MDS	10 (8%)	7 (4%)

Antibody regimens(n=53), Lenalidomide regimens (n=68), BCR antagonist regimens (n=49)

## Proportion Of Frontline CLL Patients Receiving Chemo Immunotherapy By Year

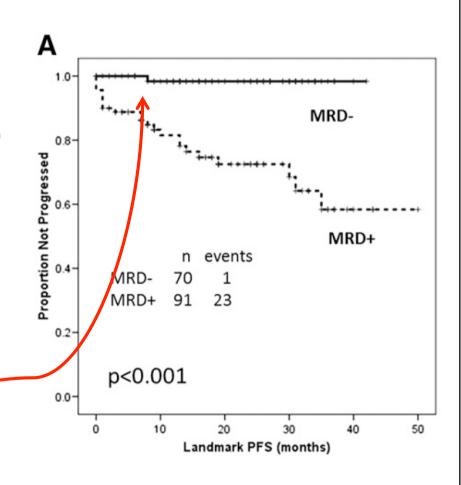


#### Can we define Cure in CLL?

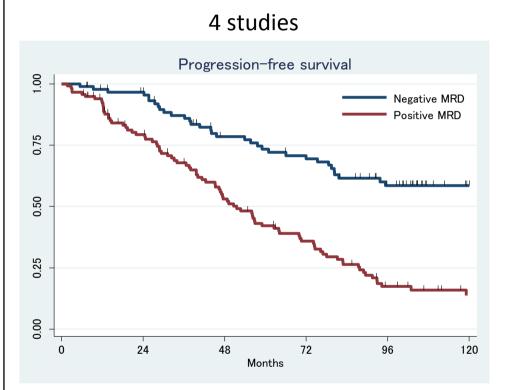
- PROPOSE 10 YEAR PFS AS A USEFUL END POINT
- Deaths in remission due to Non-hematologic cancers may be incurable by this definition.
- Deaths in remission due to Richter's, Leukemic transformations may be prevented by nongenotoxic or immunotoxic therapy.
- Deaths in remission may be reduced by nonmarrow-toxic therapy.
- Deaths in remission due to old age ,comorbidities are probably inevitable at this time

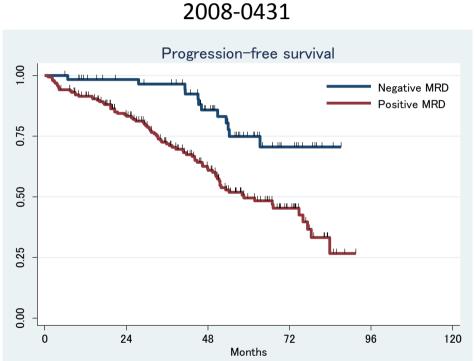
#### MRD...

- 2008-0431
  - Strati P, et al
    - (Blood, 123 (24): 3272-32)
  - MVA for MRD
    - Mutated
    - Trisomy 12
  - Only 1/70 who achieved negative MRD experienced relapse
  - Median f/u: 28 months



#### MRD at 3 months



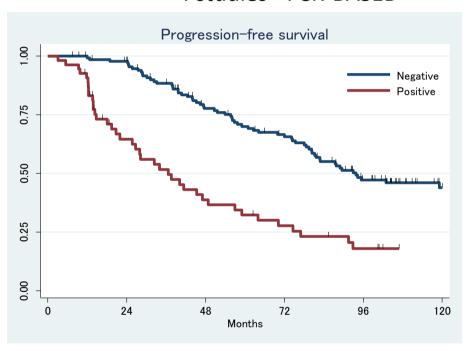


HR: 3.13 (95%CI: 2.09-4.67)

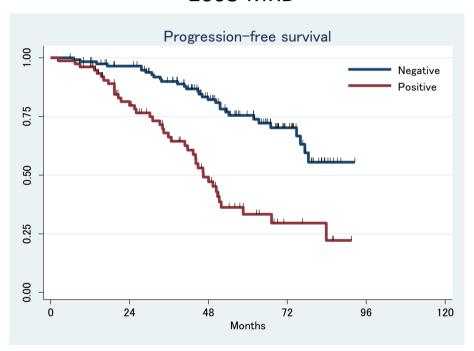
HR: 2.92 (95%CI: 1.59-5.35)

#### MRD at 6 months

4 studies - FCR-BASED



2008-MRD



HR: 2.87 (95%CI: 1.92-4.29)

HR: 3.30 (95%CI: 2.05-5.33)

#### First-line iFCG protocol

- First-line protocol for CIT-eligible patients with mutated IGHV EXCLUDING del(17p)
- Primary objective
  - Achievement of CR/CRi and marrow MRD negativity after 3 courses

	C1D1	C1D2	C1D3	C1D4	C1D8	C1D1 5	C2-3 D1	C2-3 D2	C2-3 D3
Obinutuzumab	100mg	900mg	-	-	1000m g	1000m g	1000m g	-	-
Fludarabine	-	25mg	25mg	25mg	-	-	25mg	25mg	25mg
Cyclophospha mide	-	250mg	250mg	250mg	-	-	250mg	250mg	250mg
Ibrutinib	420 mg once daily continuous								



## Response at 3 months iFCG Trial

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ORR	N=20 20/20	BM MRD 16/20 neg
CR/CRi	7	7/7 neg
PR	13	9/13 neg

80% (16/20) BM MRD neg at 3 mos

Most PR patients due to Cat scan noe (s) >1.5 cm

Comparison: FCR 3 cycles, 26% marrow MRD neg

## Ibrutinib-Venetoclax Treatment Plan

C1=3 D1-28 C4D1 ---> C27D28

**Ibrutinib** 

4 2 0 m g once daily

420mg once daily until progression

Venetoclax

- - 20mg daily x1 week then;

50mg daily x1 week then;

100mg daily x1 week then;

200mg daily x1 week then;

400mg daily continuous

## Ibr+Venetoclax -- Clinical Response, Untreated Cohort

	3 MTHS (IBR N=35		VEN + IBR N=18	
	ORR (%)	BM MRD Neg (%)	ORR (%)	BM MRD Neg (%)
	35/35 (100	0(0)	18/18 (100)	8/18 (44)
CR PR	1/35 (3) 34/35 (97)	0(0) 0(0)	12/18 (67) 6/18 (33)	5/12 (42) 3/6 (50)

