

# Sequencing of Targeted Therapies

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# Outcomes of CLL Patients Treated With Sequential Kinase Inhibitor Therapy: A Real World Experience

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# Baseline Characteristics

*178 patients who discontinued KI therapy were identified  
(143 Ibrutinib-based + 35 Idelalisib-based therapy)*

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>Result (range)</b>	<b>Total (N)</b>
<b>Median age at diagnosis</b>	60 years (33-89)	178
<b>Median # prior therapies</b>	3.0 therapies (0-11) 8% untreated (n=14)	178
<b>Del 17p present (FISH)</b>	34%	155
<b>Del 11q present (FISH)</b>	33%	152
<b>p53 mutation present</b>	27%	95
<b>Complex karyotype (<math>\geq 3</math>)</b>	29%	128
<b>Zap 70 positive CLL</b>	67%	60
<b>IGHV unmutated</b>	69%	49

# Ibrutinib / Idelalisib Dosing

	Ibrutinib	Idelalisib
<b>Median time from CLL dx → KI start</b>	84 months	81 months
<b>Median time on KI</b>	5 months (.25-41 months)	5.5 months (.5 – 38 months)
<b>Median starting dose</b>	420 mg daily (140-560 mg) 86% FDA approved dose	150 mg BID (100-150 mg) 69% FDA approved dose
<b>Proportion requiring dose modification</b>	18% (n=141)	35% (n=34)
<b>Proportion requiring dose interruption</b>	43% (n=96)	64% (n=33)
<b>KI administered as monotherapy</b>	85%	20% (mostly paired with anti-CD20)

# Best Reported Response to First KI\*

Per Investigator	Ibrutinib-based	Idelalisib-based (mostly paired with anti-CD20)
Number with reported response assessment	124/143	34/35
ORR (CR + PR / PR-L)	58%	76%
SD	22%	12%
PD	20%	12%

\*Reported responses lower than those reported in clinical trials likely reflects subgroup selected for KI failure

# Reasons for Discontinuation

## Most Common Reasons for KI Discontinuation

	Ibrutinib	Idelalisib
<b>Toxicity</b>	51%	52%
<b>CLL progression</b>	28%	31%
<b>Richter's transformation</b>	8%	6%
<b>SCT / CAR-T</b>	2%	0%
<b>Unrelated death or other</b>	11%	11%

# Toxicity as Reason for Discontinuation

## *“Kinase Inhibitor Intolerant” Patients*

### 5 Most Common Toxicities as a Reason for Discontinuation

**Ibrutinib (N=66)**

**Idelalisib (N=18)**

**Atrial fibrillation 20%**

**Pneumonitis 33%**

**Infection 12%**

**Colitis 28%**

**Hematologic 9%**

**Rash 17%**

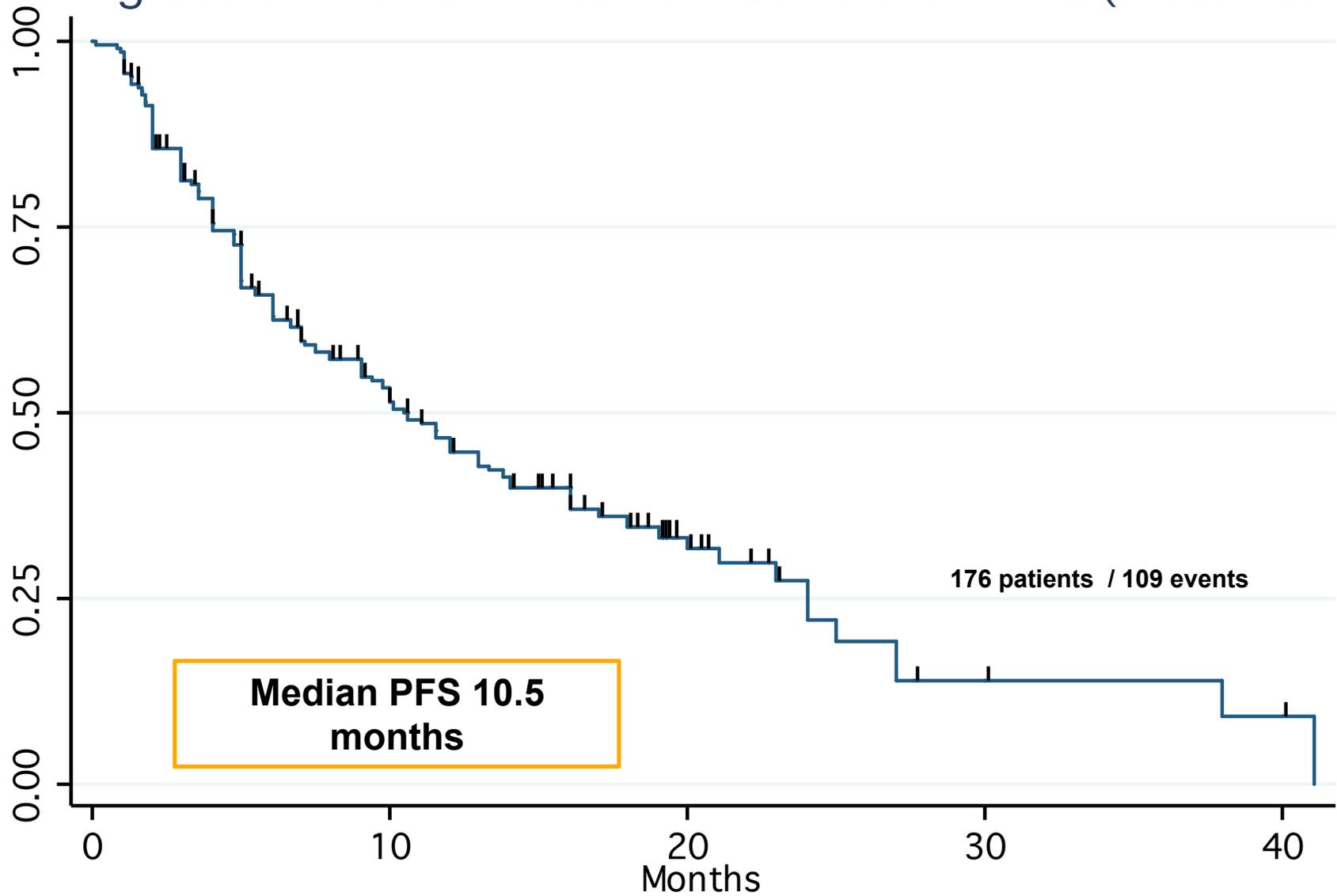
**Bleeding 9%**

**Transaminitis 11%**

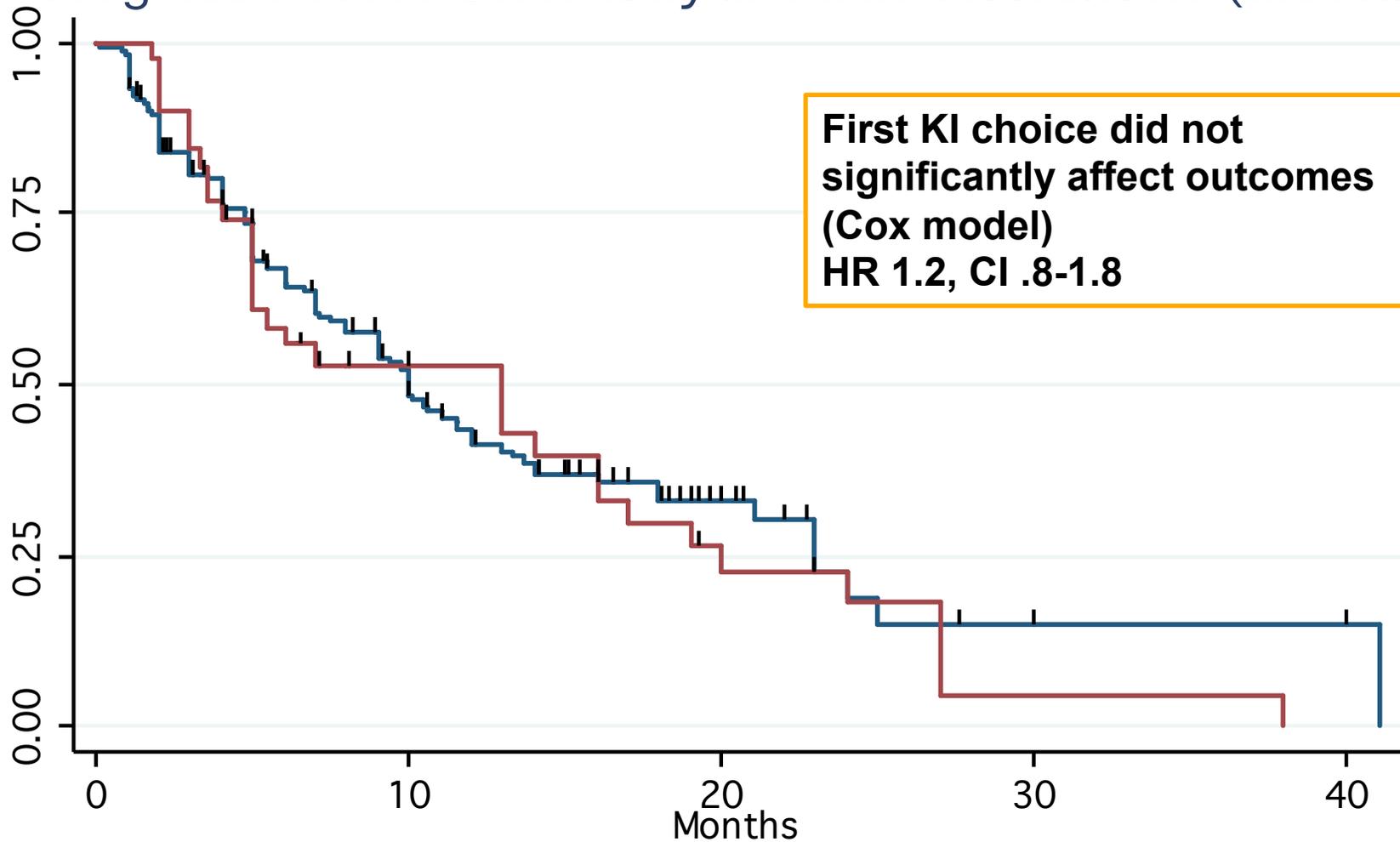
**Pneumonitis 8%**

**Infection 6%**

# Progression Free Survival from Start of First KI (Idela + Ibr)



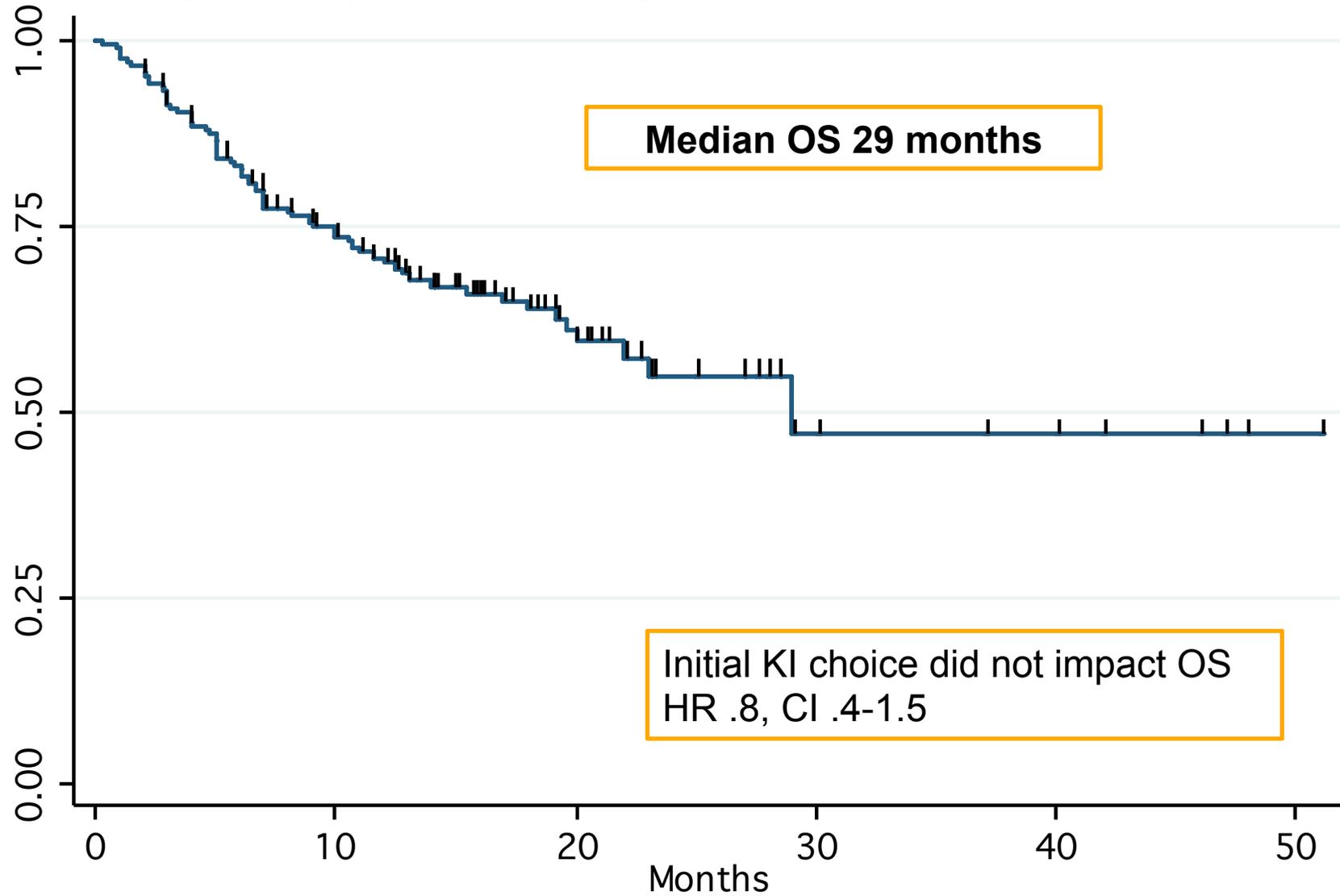
# Progression Free Survival by Ibrutinib vs. Idelalisib (first KI)



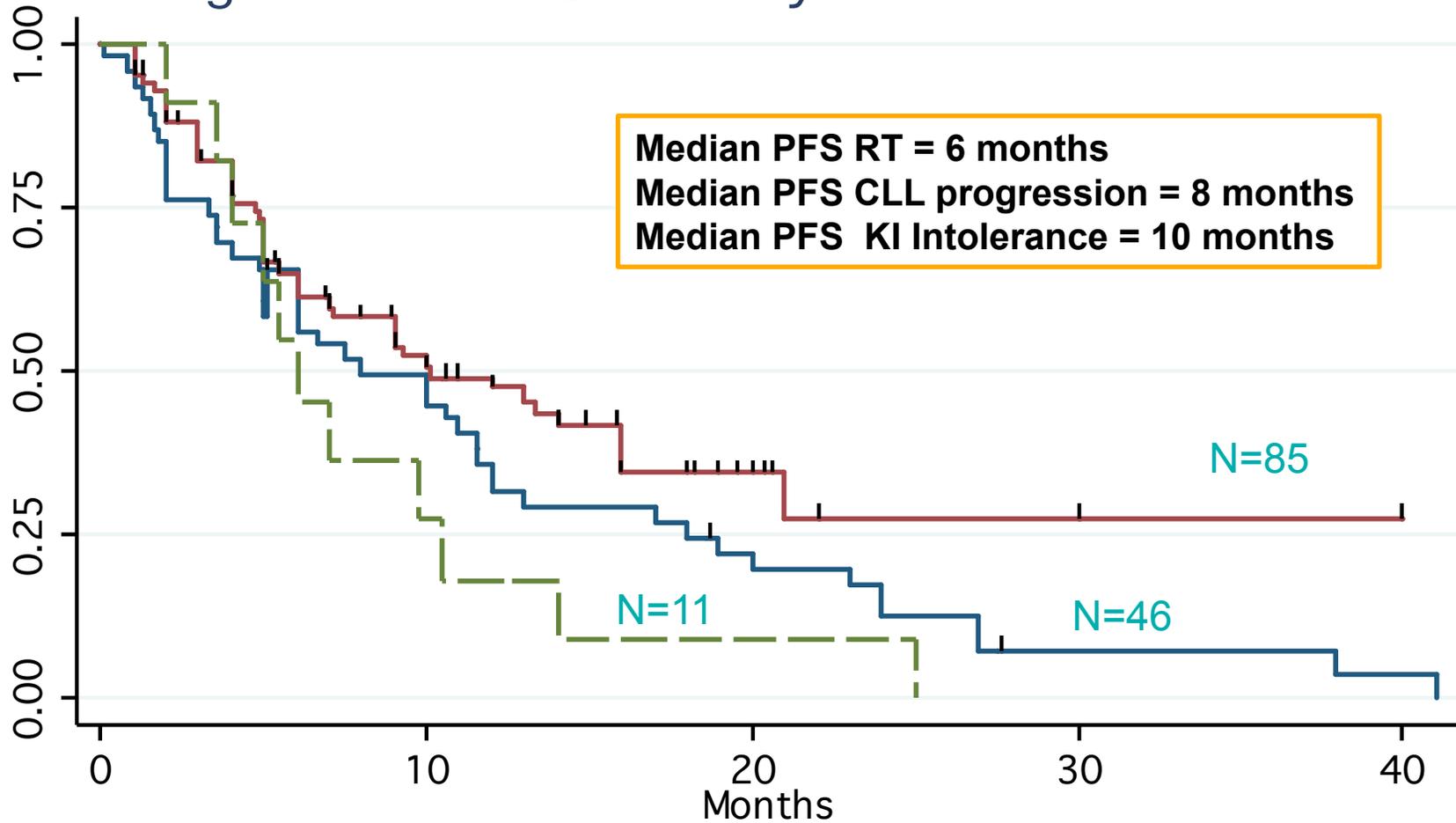
**First KI choice did not significantly affect outcomes (Cox model)  
HR 1.2, CI .8-1.8**

Ibrutinib Idelalisib

## Overall Survival from Start of Ibrutinib / Idelalisib



## Progression Free Survival by Discontinuation Reason



# Treatment Patterns following Ibrutinib or Idelalisib Discontinuation

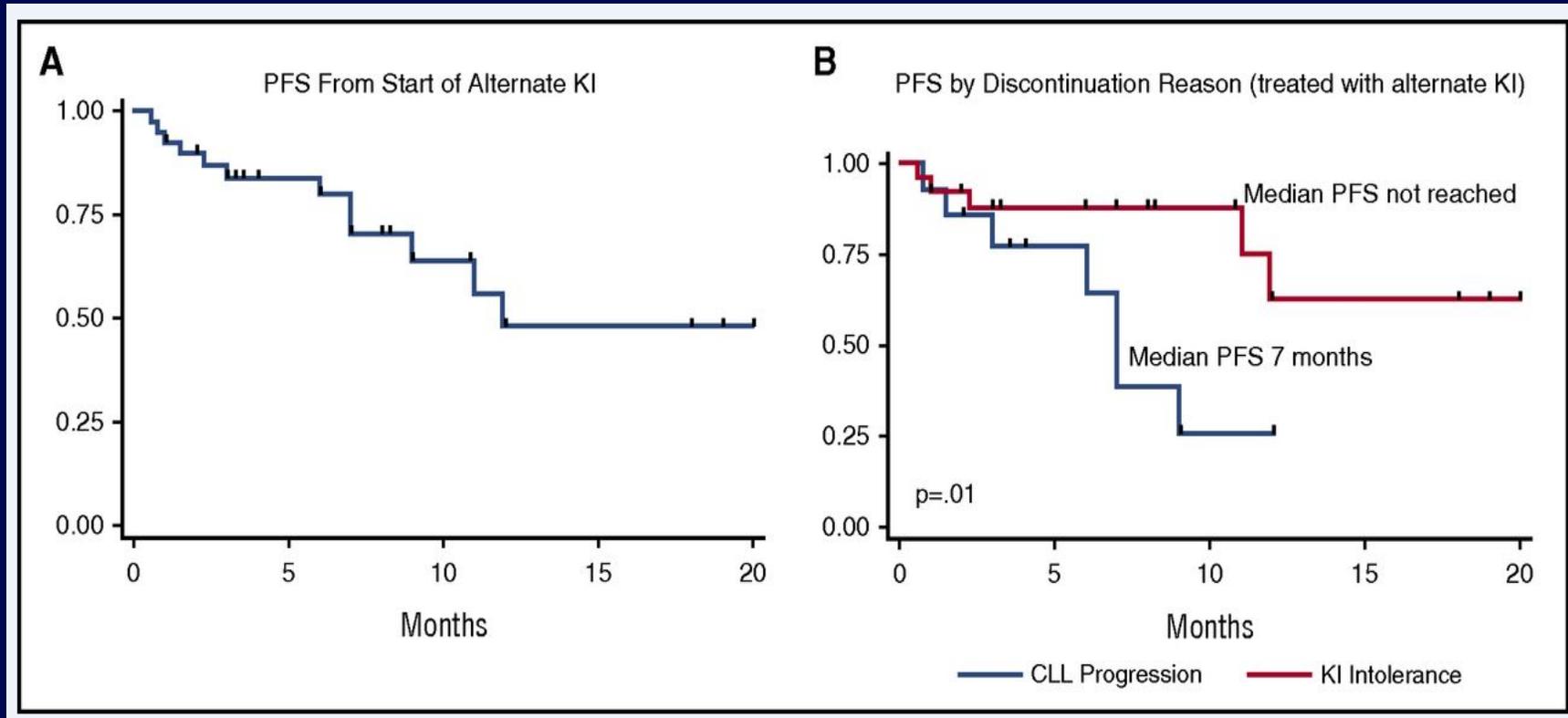
N=114	N	Percentage
<b>Idelalisib-based</b>	25	21.9%
<b>Ibrutinib-based</b>	19	16.7%
<b>BCL2-i (CT)</b>	16	14.0%
<b>Other</b>	10	8.7%
<b>Fludarabine / Bendamustine CIT</b>	9	7.9%
<b>Anthracycline-based</b>	9	7.9%
<b>Cellular-based</b>	8	7.0%
<b>Rituximab</b>	7	6.1%
<b>Obinutuzumab</b>	5	4.4%
<b>Syk-i (CT)</b>	2	1.8%
<b>Ofatumumab</b>	2	1.8%
<b>IMiD-based</b>	2	1.8%

# Responses following KI Discontinuation

	Alternate KI	BCL2-i (CT)	CITs	CD20 Tx
<b>Number</b>	38	13	12	11
<b>ORR</b>	50%	76%	25%	36%
<b>CR</b>	0%	7%	17%	9%
<b>PR</b>	50%	69%	8%	27%
<b>SD</b>	30%	16%	33%	45%
<b>PD</b>	20%	8%	42%	19%

No direct comparisons performed

# Outcomes with Second Kinase Inhibitor Therapy in CLL



**PFS for alternate KI.** (A) PFS from start of alternate KI (ibrutinib → idelalisib, idelalisib → ibrutinib). (B) PFS from start of alternate KI stratified by reason for discontinuation (CLL progression vs KI intolerance).

## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# Optimal sequencing of ibrutinib, idelalisib, and venetoclax in chronic lymphocytic leukemia: results from a multicenter study of 683 patients

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# Study Methods

- **Multicenter, retrospective cohort study**
- **9 US based academic centers**
- **Celgene Connect Registry (199 centers, 80% community)**
- **683 CLL patients treated with KI in front line and relapse-refractory settings**
- **Baseline demographics**
- **KI dosing information**
- **First KI outcomes (stratified by KI / LOT / site / clinical trials)**
- **Capture reasons for discontinuation**
- **Toxicity profile first KI**
- **Subsequent therapies and outcomes to develop treatment sequence**

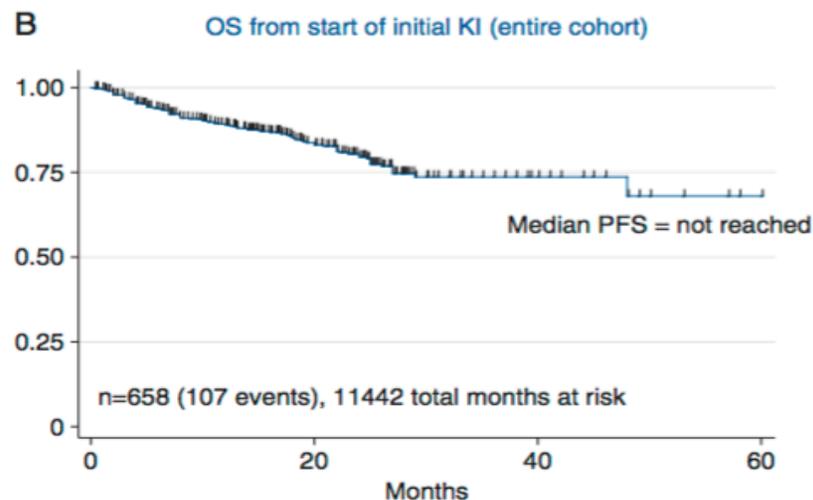
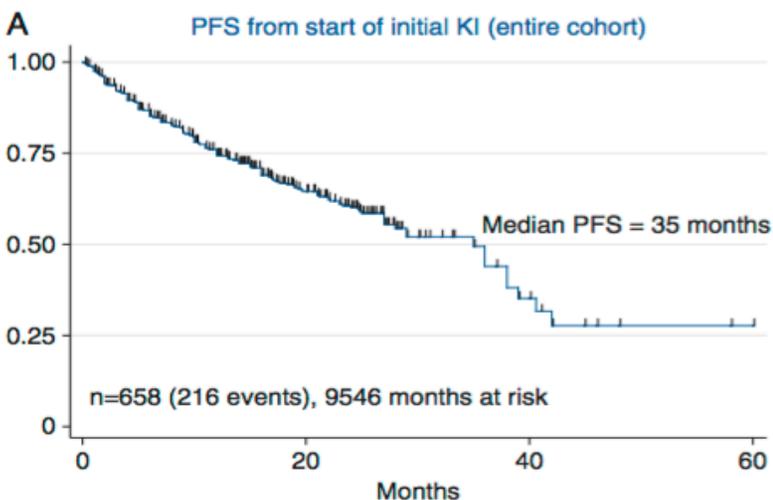
# Baseline characteristics

**Table 1. Baseline characteristics at start of first KI and dose modifications**

Characteristic	Ibrutinib as first KI	Idelalisib as first KI
Median age at diagnosis	61 (22–95) <i>n</i> = 611 ( <i>n</i> =subjects with available data)	61.5 (35–80) <i>n</i> = 62
Median number of prior therapies	2 (0–10) <i>n</i> = 616 <i>n</i> =80, first line	2 (0–7) <i>n</i> = 62 <i>n</i> =14, first line
Elevated LDH	60% <i>n</i> = 322	56% <i>n</i> = 48
B symptoms present	33% <i>n</i> = 476	29% <i>n</i> = 56
Median WBC	28.7 (0.5–562.6) <i>n</i> = 587	25.5 (2.4–549.9) <i>n</i> = 57
Del 17p present (FISH)	28% <i>n</i> = 440	31% <i>n</i> = 54
p53 mutation present (NGS)	12% <i>n</i> = 185	15% <i>n</i> = 41
Del 11q present (FISH)	32% <i>n</i> = 443	25% <i>n</i> = 53
Complex karyotype present ( $\geq 3$ abnormalities)	35% <i>n</i> = 275	25% <i>n</i> = 49
IGHV unmutated	59% <i>n</i> = 168	63% <i>n</i> = 27
Median time to treatment initiation	73 months	78 months
Median starting dose	420 mg daily (9% started at < 420 mg daily, <i>n</i> = 52)	150 mg BID (24% started at < 150mg BID, <i>n</i> = 15)
Administered as monotherapy	87%	16%
Required dose modification during therapy	19%	24%
Required dose interruption during therapy	35%	51%
Median time to discontinuation	7 months (0.1–41)	6 months (0.5–42)

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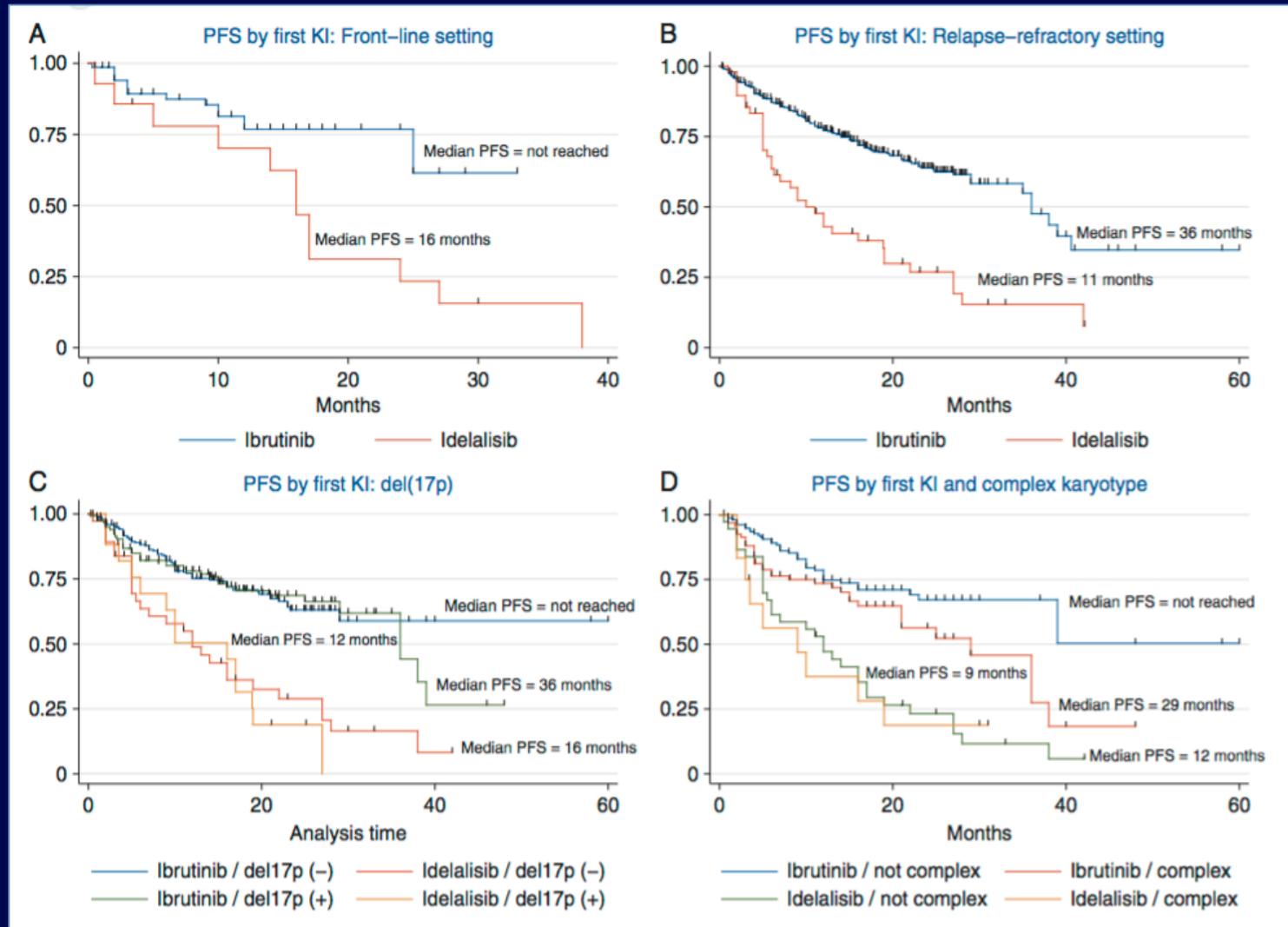
# Outcomes from start of first KI and reasons for discontinuation



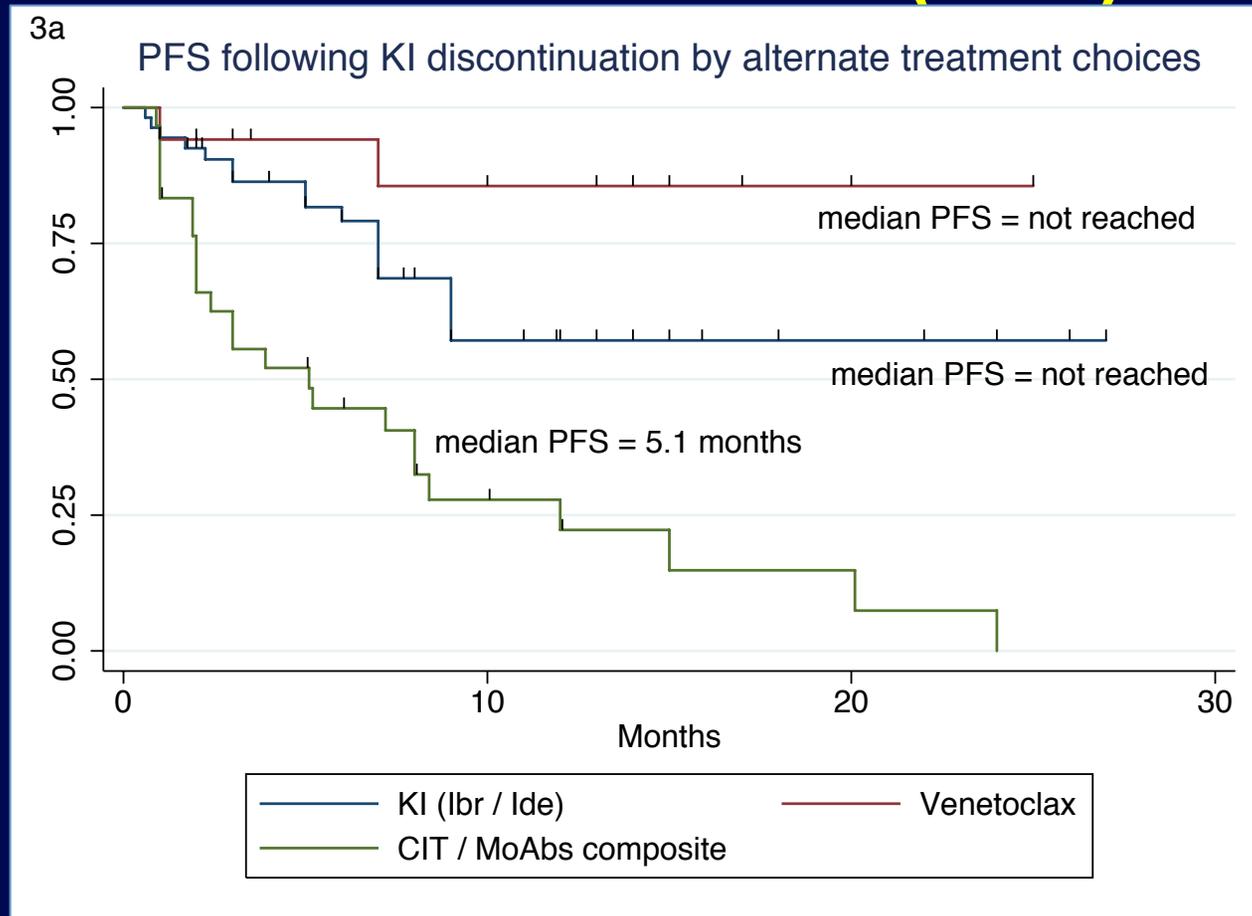
**Table 2. Reasons for discontinuation first KI**

	<b>Ibrutinib (n = 258 discontinuation events)</b>	<b>Idelalisib (n = 58 discontinuation events)</b>
Toxicity	51.2% (n = 132)	44.8% (n = 26)
Progression	20.5% (n = 53)	27.6% (n = 16)
Other/death not secondary to progression	11% (n = 28)	6.9% (n = 4)
MD/patient preference	6.2% (n = 16)	17.2% (n = 10)
Richter's transformation	5.0% (n = 13)	3.5% (n = 2)
Stem cell transplant/CART cells	3.9% (n = 10)	0%
Secondary malignancy	1.1% (n = 3)	0%
Cost	1.1% (n = 3)	0%

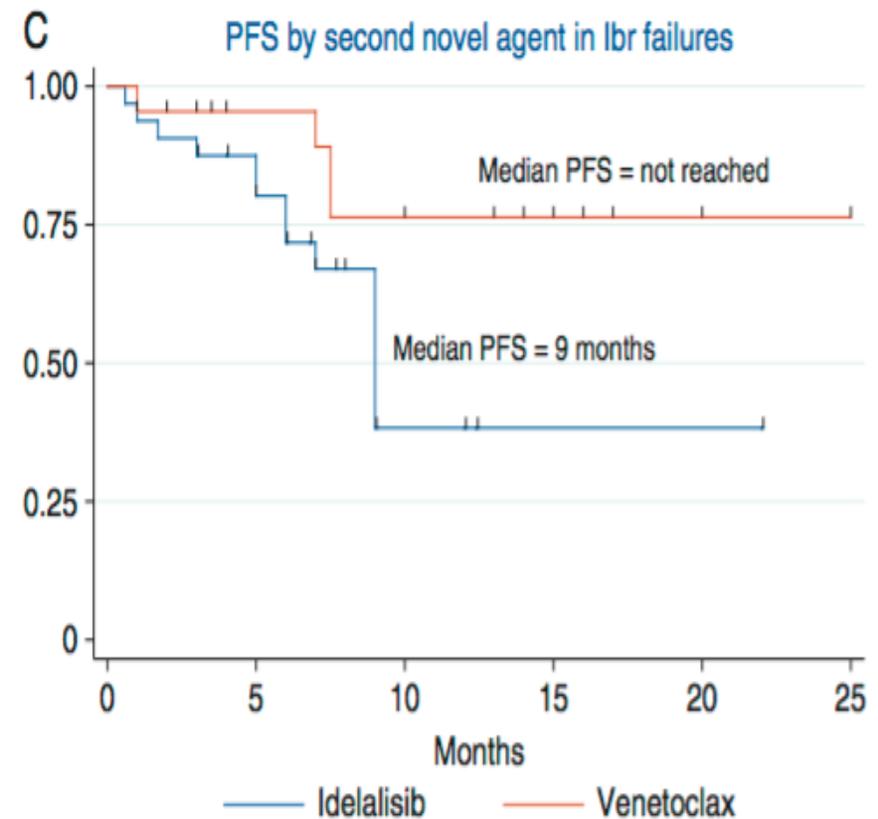
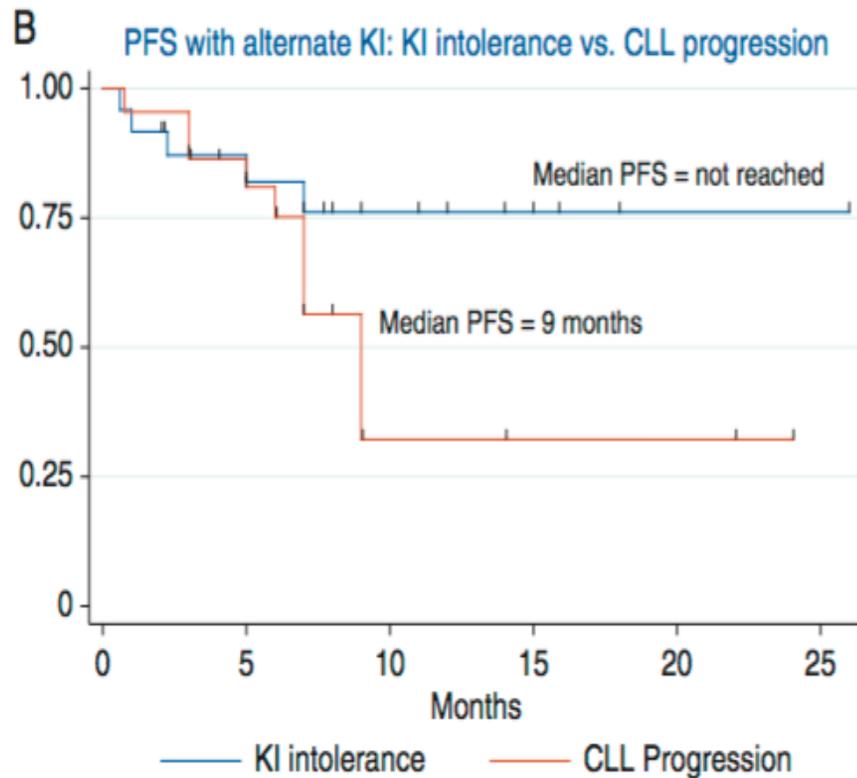
# Outcomes stratified by first KI



# Sequencing after first KI by alternate treatment choices (PFS)



# Sequencing in KI / Ibrutinib failures



*Alternate KI validated in larger data set for KI intolerant patients*

*Venetoclax may be better choice in Ibr failures – particularly CLL progression*

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# Venetoclax Monotherapy for Patients with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) who Relapsed After or Were Refractory to Ibrutinib or Idelalisib

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# M14-032 Study Overview

- Phase 2, open-label study evaluating venetoclax for patients with CLL who relapsed after or are refractory to ibrutinib (Arm A) or idelalisib (Arm B)
- Primary study objectives: ORR and safety
- Secondary and exploratory objectives: DoR, PFS, OS, MRD

## ***Inclusion criteria:***

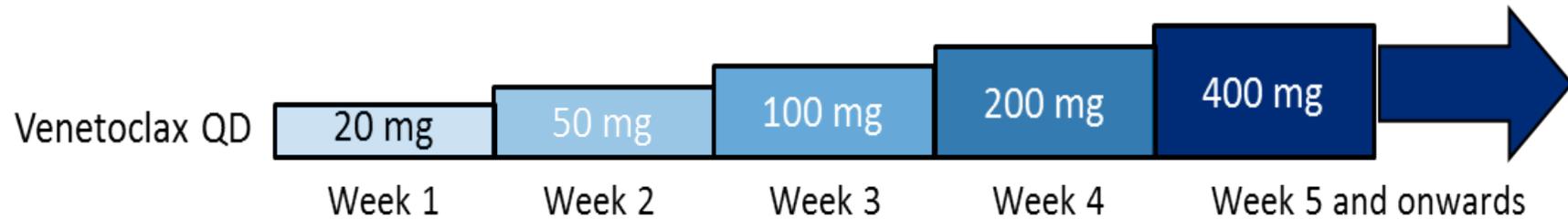
- Indication for treatment by iwCLL criteria<sup>1</sup>
- ECOG 0, 1, or 2
- Adequate bone marrow function
  - ANC  $\geq 1000/\mu\text{L}$
  - Hg  $\geq 8$  g/dL
  - Platelets  $\geq 30,000/\text{mm}^3$
- CrCl  $\geq 50$  mL/min

## ***Exclusion criteria:***

- Richter's transformation confirmed by PET scan and biopsy
- Active and uncontrolled autoimmune cytopenias
- Allogeneic stem cell transplant within 1 year of study entry

ORR, objective response rate; DoR, duration of response; PFS, progression-free survival; OS, overall survival; MRD, minimal residual disease.

# Venetoclax Dosing Schedule and TLS Mitigation



- To mitigate TLS risk, patients received prophylaxis with uric acid lowering agents and hydration starting at least 72 hours before first venetoclax dose
- Patients with high tumor burden were hospitalized for first dose at 20 and 50 mg and received IV hydration and rasburicase
- Laboratory values were monitored at first dose and each subsequent dose increase

High tumor burden: any lymph node  $\geq 10$  cm; or both lymph node  $\geq 5$  cm and ALC  $\geq 25 \times 10^9/L$

# Patient Characteristics

	Arm A n=43	Arm B n=21
Age, median (range), years	66 (48 – 80)	68 (56 – 85)
Unmutated <i>IGVH</i> ,* n/N (%)	25/29 (86)	11/13 (85)
del(17)(p13.1),* n/N (%)	21/43 (49)	2/21 (10)
Baseline laboratory values, median (range)		
CrCl, mL/min	83 (54 – 119)	75 (44 – 140)
Hemoglobin, g/dL	11.2 (5.8 – 14.6)	12.2 (7.1 – 14.4)
Platelet count, x10 <sup>9</sup> /L	117 (20 – 446)	115 (30 – 439)
Neutrophil count, x10 <sup>9</sup> /L	3.5 (0 – 24)	2.4 (0 – 49)
Lymphocyte count, x10 <sup>9</sup> /L	19 (.2 – 263)	14 (.3 – 407)
Bulky nodal disease, n (%)		
≥5 cm	15 (35)	11 (52)
≥10 cm	7 (16)	5 (24)
Prior therapies, median (range)	4 (1 – 12) <sup>†</sup>	3 (1 – 11) <sup>†</sup>
Prior ibrutinib, n (%)	43 (100)	5 (24)
Months on ibrutinib, median (range)	17 (1 – 56)	6 (2 – 11)
Refractory, n (%)	39 (91)	2 (10)
Prior idelalisib, n (%)	4 (9)	21 (100)
Months on idelalisib, median (range)	10 (2 – 31)	8 (1 – 27)
Refractory, n (%)	2 (5)	14 (67)

\*Site reported data.

<sup>†</sup>2 received only frontline ibrutinib; 2 received only frontline idelalisib.

# Efficacy

	Arm A n=43		Arm B n=21	
Best response, n (%)	Assessed by		Assessed by	
	IRC	Investigator	IRC	Investigator
ORR	30 (70)	29 (67)	13 (62)	12 (57)
CR/CRi	0/1 (2)	2 (5)/1 (2)	0/0	2 (10)/1 (5)
nPR	0	2 (5)	0	0
PR	29 (67)	24 (56)	13 (62)	9 (43)
Non-responder*	13 (30)	14 (23)	8 (38)	9 (43)
SD	–	9 (21)	–	8 (38)
PD	–	1 <sup>†</sup> (2)	–	1 <sup>†</sup> (5)
D/C‡	–	4 (9)	–	0

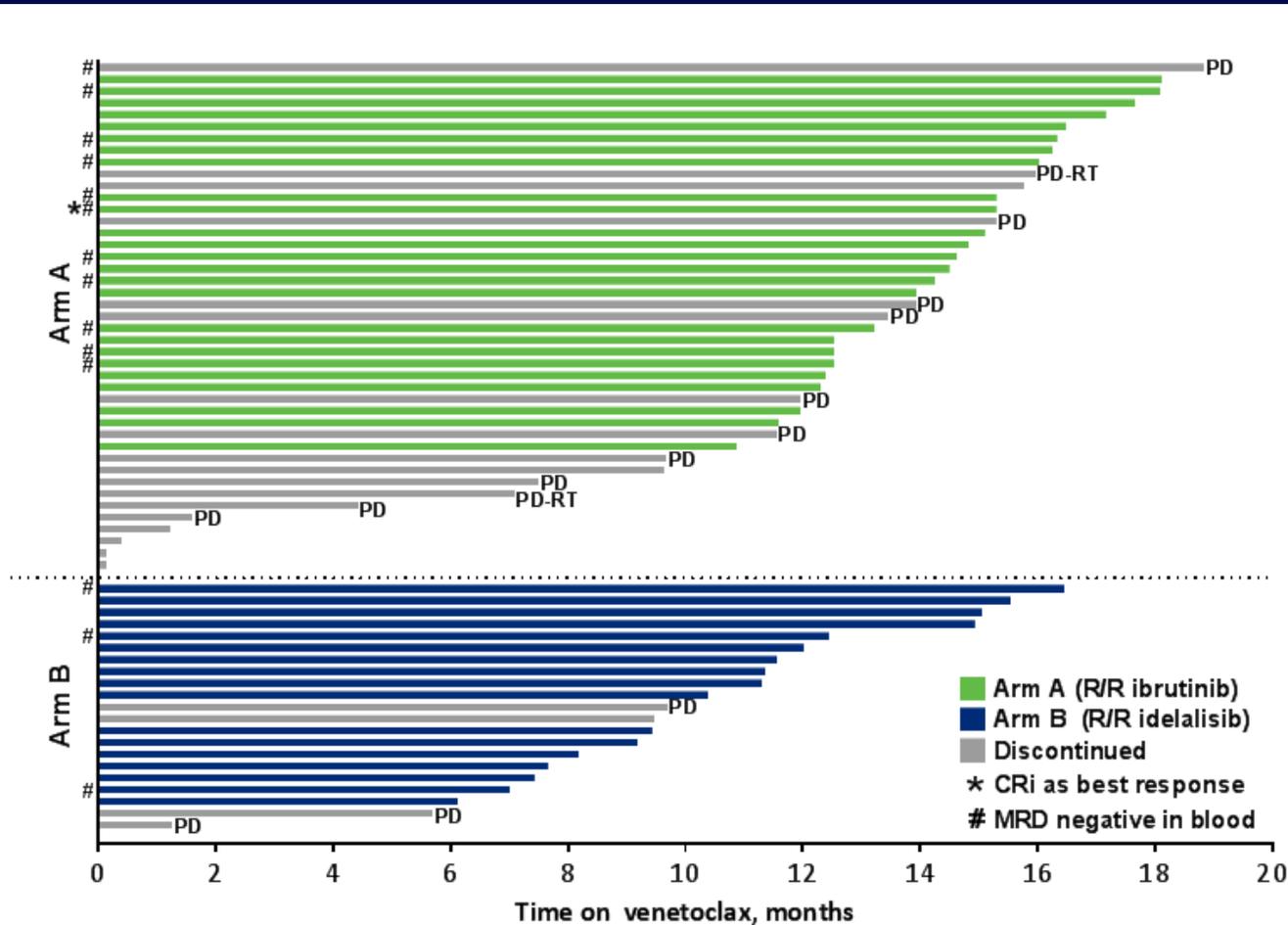
\*Non-responder category for IRC includes both SD or PD, which were not identified as separate categories per IRC.

<sup>†</sup>CLL progression and discontinued due to progression.

<sup>‡</sup>D/C, patient discontinued the study prior to assessment.

# Current Status

- Median time on study (range): Arm A, 13 months (0.1–18); Arm B, 9 months (1.3–16)

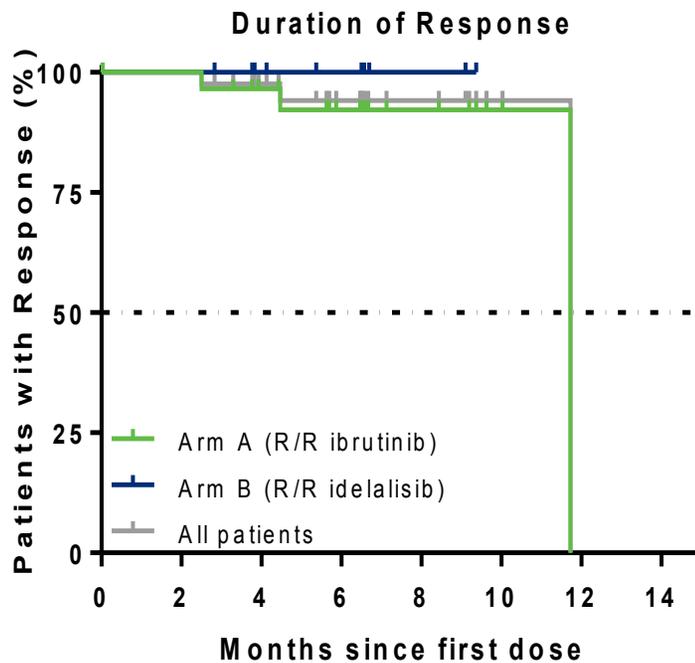


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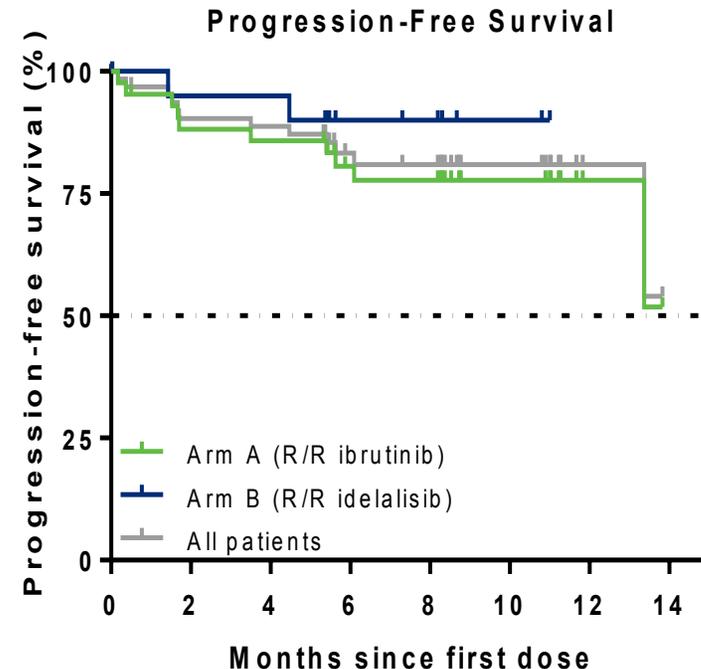
PD, progressive disease. PD-RT, progressive disease due to Richter's transformation. Early discontinuations were due to AEs (n=3) and withdrawn consent (n=1).

# Efficacy Per Independent Review

- Median DoR, PFS, and OS had not been reached after 11.8 months of follow up
- Estimated 12 month PFS for all patients: 80% (95% CI: 67%, 89%)



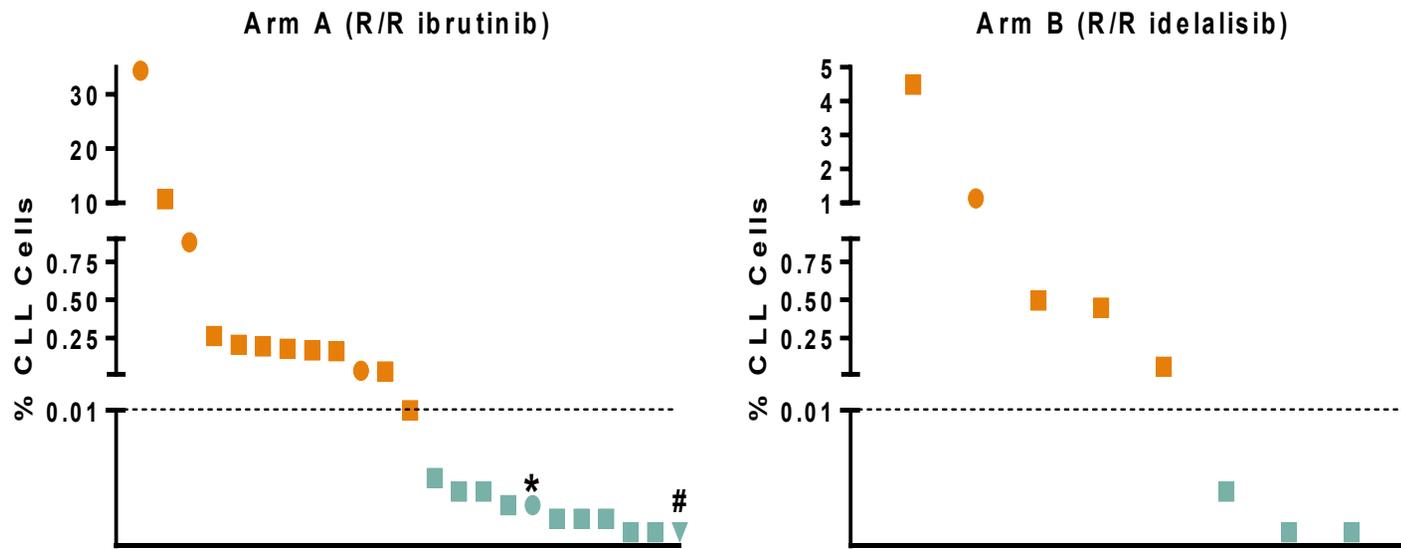
No. at risk	30	29	23	18	10	1
	10	8	6	5	2	
	40	37	29	23	12	1



	43	37	36	28	27	15	3
	21	17	15	6	5	2	
	64	54	51	34	32	17	3

# Minimal Residual Disease in Peripheral Blood

MRD-positive MRD-negative CRi PR Non-responder by IRC



\*Patient had persistent splenomegaly and thrombocytopenia; categorized as stable disease by investigator.

#Also had confirmed bone marrow MRD-negative assessment.

- 14/31 (45%) patient samples have demonstrated MRD-negative peripheral blood between Weeks 24 – 48
- 5 patients demonstrating sustained MRD negative status in blood had subsequent marrow evaluations; 1 patient was MRD negative in bone marrow

Data as of 10 June 2016

# Safety

Event, n (%)	All Patients N=64
<b>Any grade AE</b>	<b>64 (100)</b>
Common all-grade AEs (≥20% patients)	
Neutropenia	37 (58)
Thrombocytopenia	28 (44)
Diarrhea	27 (42)
Nausea	26 (41)
Anemia	23 (36)
Fatigue	20 (31)
Decreased WBC	14 (22)
Hyperphosphatemia	14 (22)

Event, n (%)	All Patients N=64
<b>Grade 3/4 AEs</b>	<b>53 (83)</b>
Common grade 3/4 AEs (≥10% patients)	
Neutropenia	29 (45)
Thrombocytopenia	18 (28)
Anemia	14 (22)
Decreased WBC	8 (13)
Febrile neutropenia	7 (11)
Pneumonia	7 (11)
<b>Serious AEs</b>	<b>34 (53)</b>
Febrile neutropenia	6 (9)
Pneumonia	5 (8)
Multi-organ failure	2 (3)
Septic shock	2 (3)
Increased potassium	2 (3)

- **No clinical TLS was observed; 1 patient with high tumor burden met Howard criteria for laboratory TLS**

# **Venetoclax followed by Ibrutinib**

- **Six of 8 patients with progressive CLL/ SLL on venetoclax were treated with ibrutinib as their first postprogression therapy**
- **Five achieved a PR**
- **3 remain alive on therapy at last follow-up (6, 13, and 16 months)**
- **3 died, 2 of toxicity and 1 of PD**