

Frontline Induction Therapy in 2017

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Standard of Care

- Induction: 7+3 Ara-C / Daunorubicin
- Consolidation: High Dose Ara-C (3g doses)
- Total of 4 courses.
- Myeloablative allograft for young high risk groups

2017 marks the 44th anniversary of “3+7”

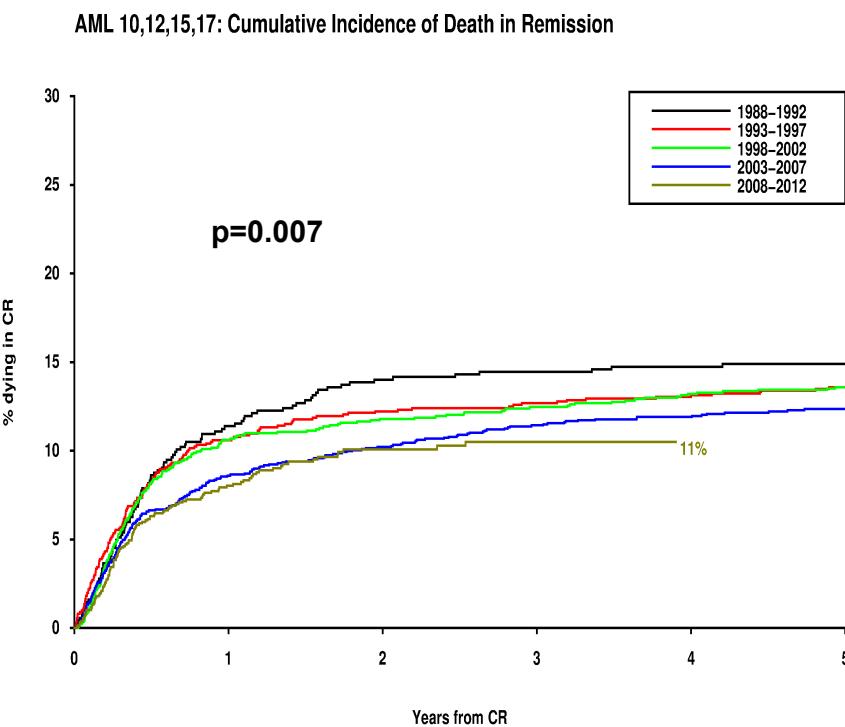
- DNR 45 mg/m², D 1-3
- Ara-C 100 mg/m², D 1-7

Changes in outcome with time: remission rates

Age (years)	Pre-198 0	1980–84	1985–89	1990–94	1995–99	2000–05
< 15	39%	82%	90%	92%	92%	93%
15–59	40%	73%	76%	79%	83%	85%
60–69	25%	52%	47%	58%	60%	65%
≥ 70	18%	36%	40%	48%	47%	62%
All	34%	66%	70%	74%	77%	79%

Changes in Early Mortality

Time Period	30 day mortality	60 day mortality
1988-1992	8%	12%
1993-1997	7%	10%
1998-2002	6%	8%
2003-2007	5%	8%
2008-2012	4%	7%



All non-APL patients aged 15-59 enrolled in trials for younger patients

SAB – a promising new treatment for AML in the elderly?

Treatment	Number of pts	CR rate	Induction deaths	Resistant disease
DAT	167	47%	30%	23%
SAB	284	61%	15%	24%

p=0.00007

Wheatley K et al.

Beyond “3+7”: Which Induction Treatment?

- A) Daunorubicin/Ara-C (3+7)
- B) Idarubicin/Mitoxantrone + Ara-C
- C) Which dose of Ara-C
- D) Above + a third drug
- E) An alternative nucleoside analogue
- F) Addition of an immuno-conjugate

Might some anthracyclines be better than others?

- Mitoxantrone 8-12 mg/m² compared to DNR 30-50 mg/m²
 - superior CR rate in some studies^{1,2} but not in others³
- Idarubicin 12-13 mg/m² compared to DNR 45-50 mg/m²
 - superior CR rate and possibly longer OS⁴

¹Lowenberg et al, JCO 1998; ²Arlin et al, Leukemia 1990; ³Mandelli et al, JCO 2009;

⁴Berman et al, Cancer 1997

Daily Ara-C Dose?

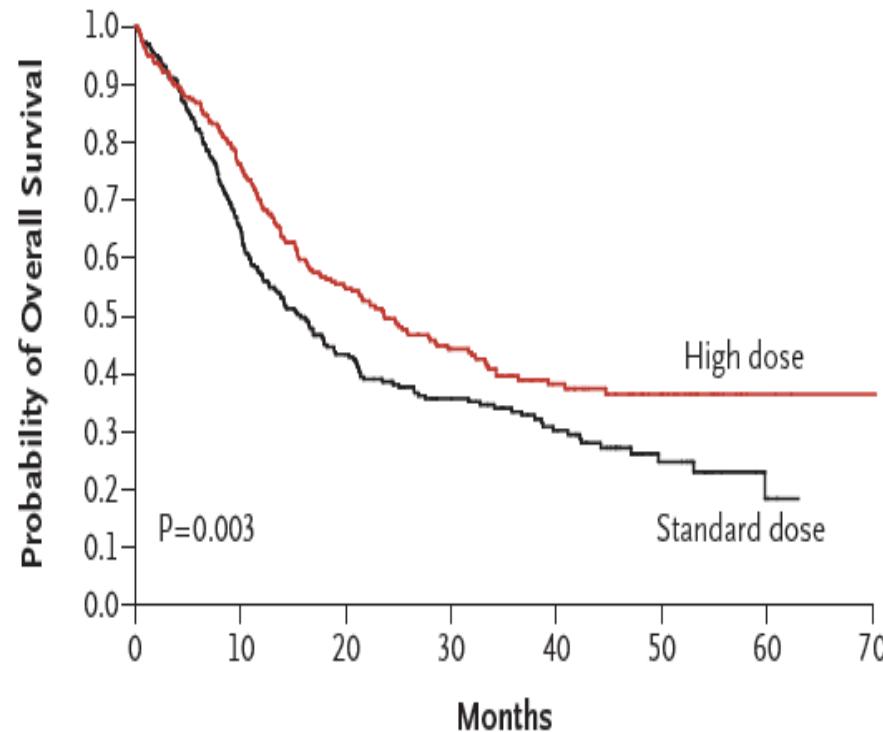
- A) 100mg/m²/day
- B) 200mg/m²/twice daily
- C) 1.0g/m²/day
- D) 3.0g/m²/day

Daunorubicin Dose

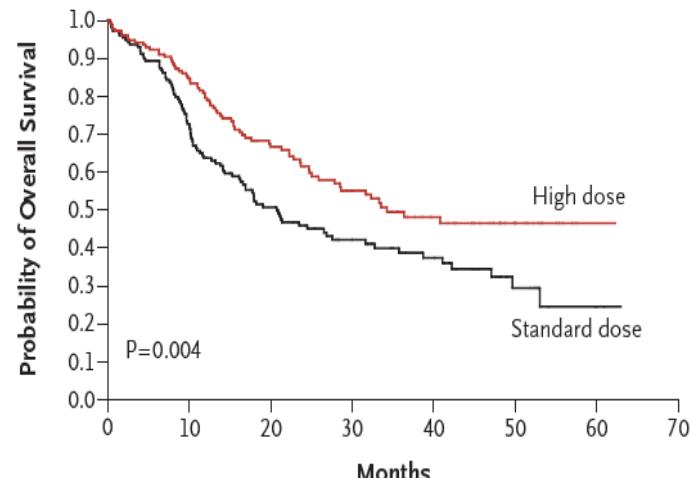
- A) 45mg/m²
- B) 60mg/m²
- C) 90mg/m²

ECOG E1900 (90mg vs 45mg)

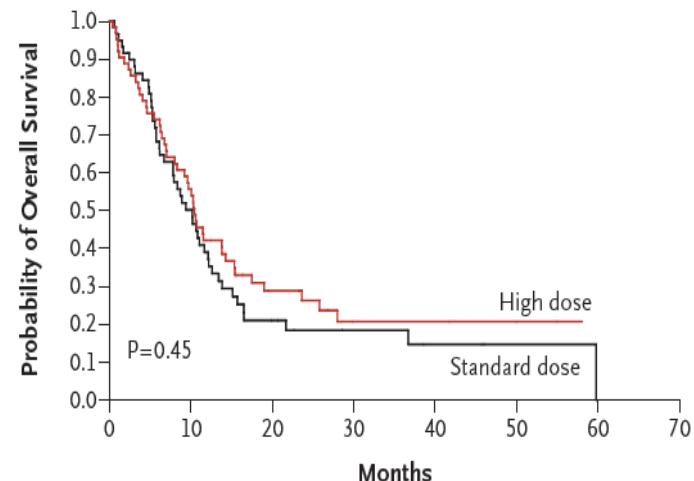
All Patients



Favorable or Intermediate Cytogenetic Profile



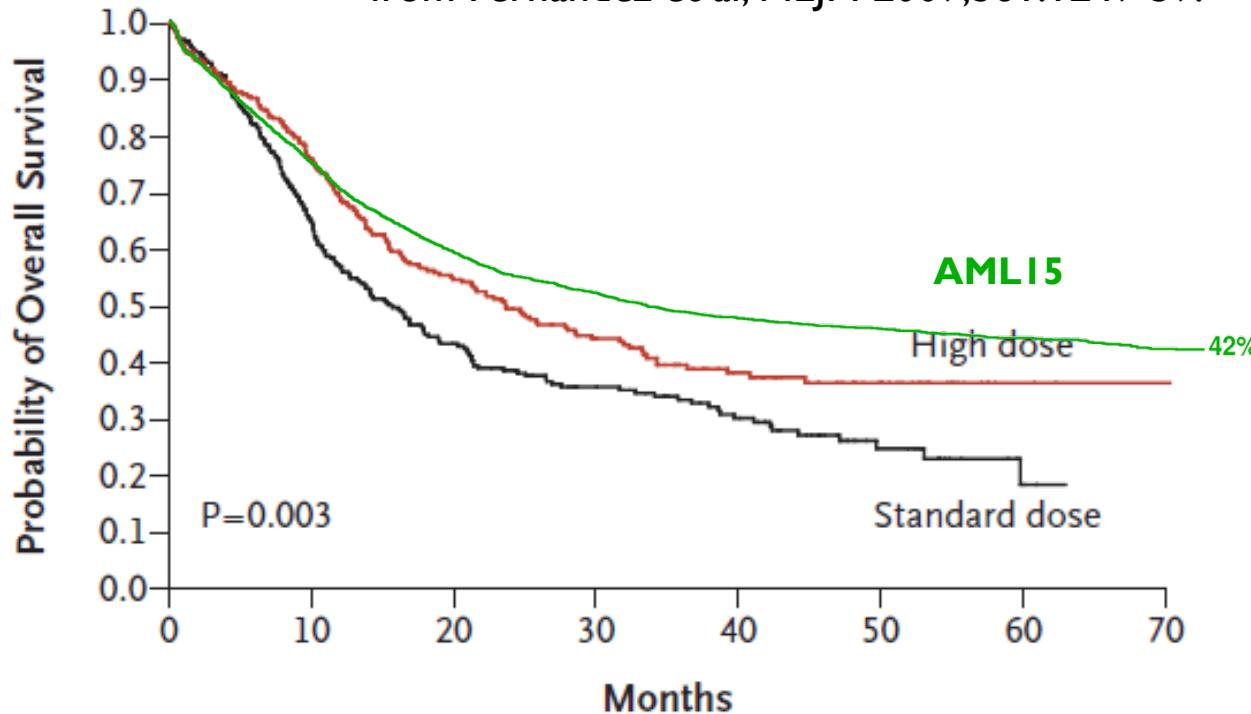
Unfavorable Cytogenetic Profile



DA 90mg vs 45mg in younger patients

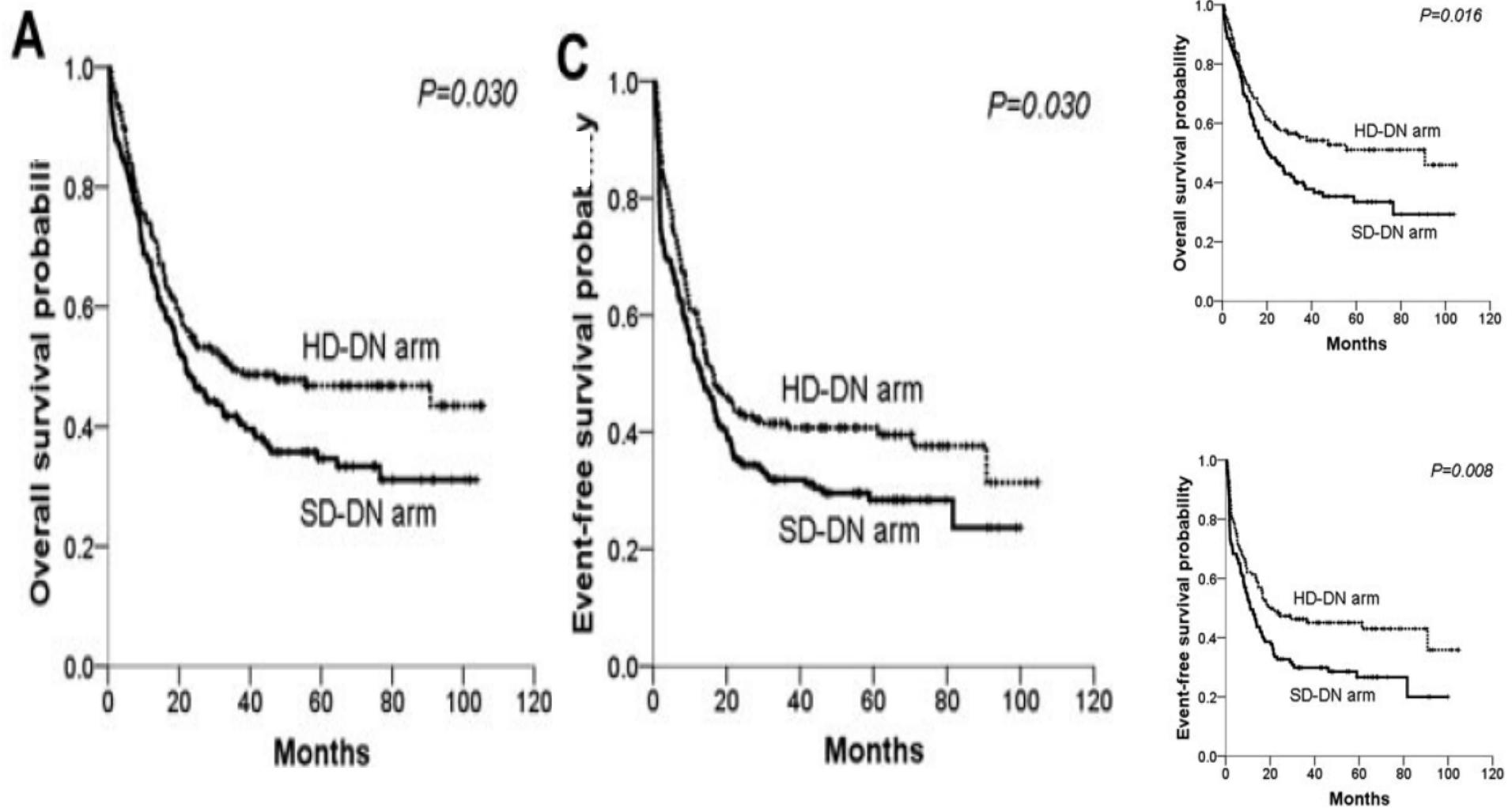
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from Fernandez et al, NEJM 2009;361:1249-59.

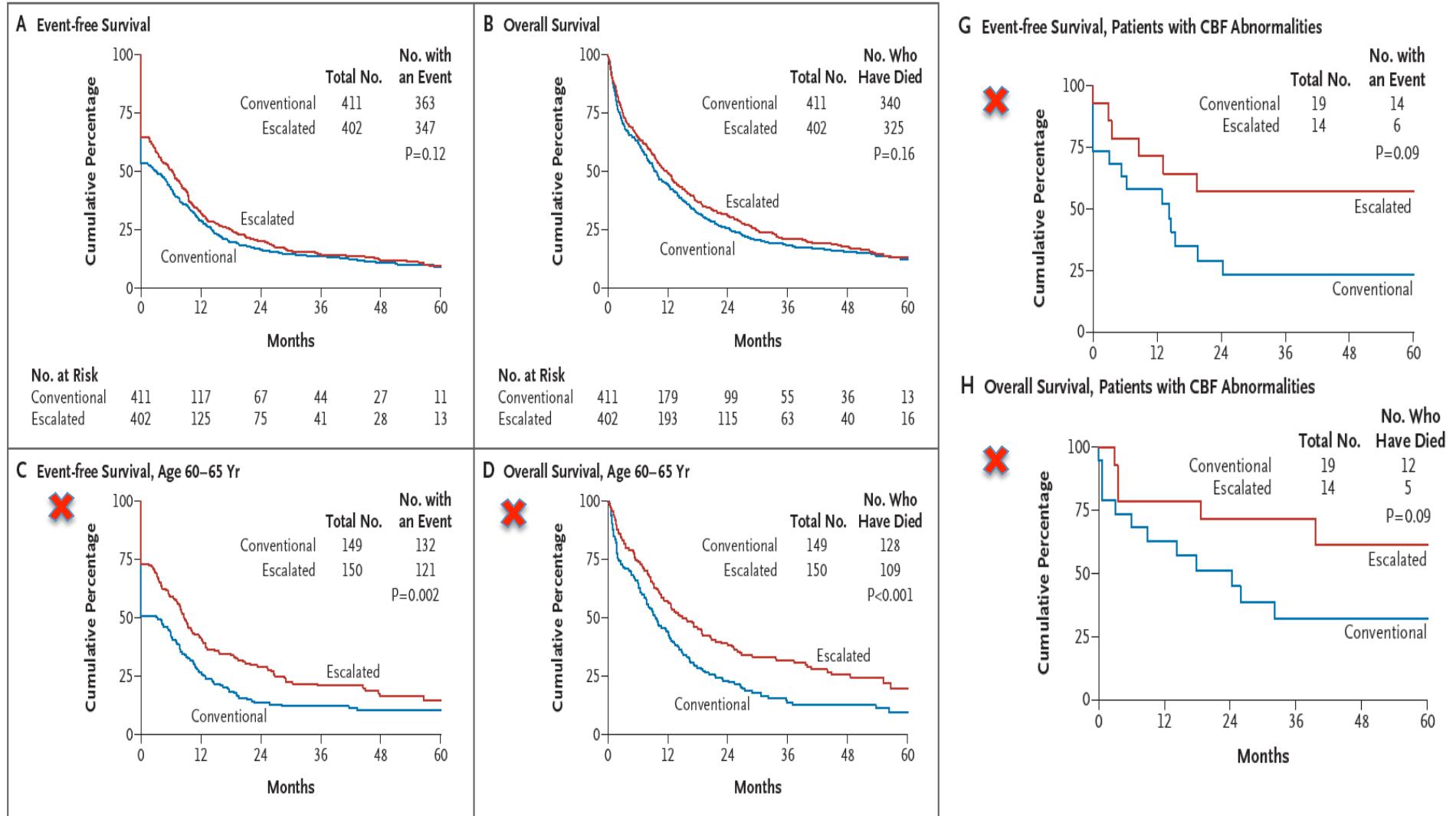


Induction Treatment	Total	Deaths	Censored	Median Survival
Standard dose (45 mg/m ² /day)	330	199	131	15.7 mo
High dose (90 mg/m ² /day)	327	168	159	23.7 mo
AML15 (all)	2611	1444	1167	33 mo

Korean Study



HOVON-SAKK-AMLSG STUDY



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-benefit in <50's, intermediate cytogenetics
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- benefit in 60-65 yrs/ trend in CBF subgroup (35% vs 23%)
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- OS benefit due to intermediate risk (51% vs 34%)

Who Benefits from 90mg vs 45mg

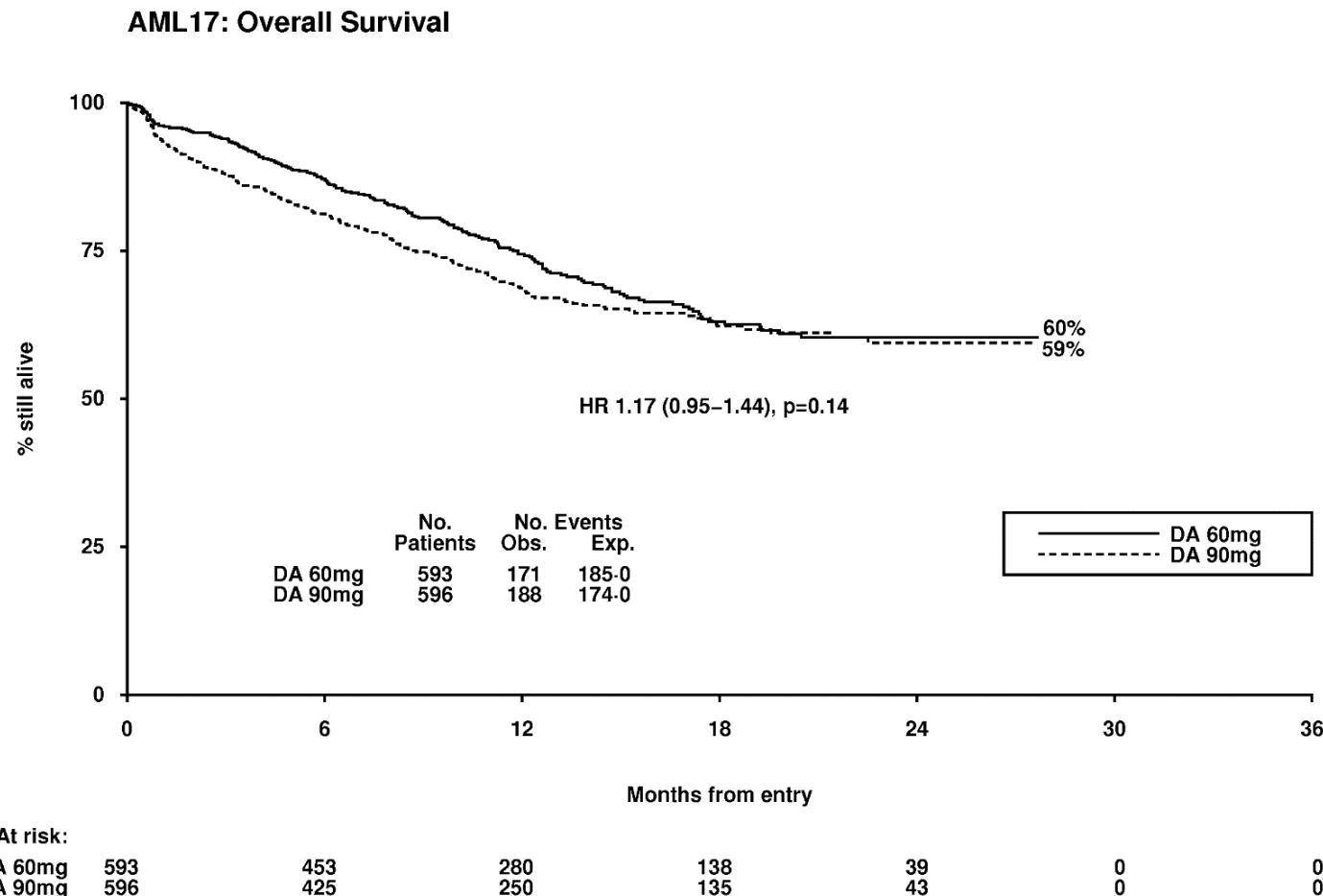
- Patel JP, Gonen M, Figueroa ME, et al. Prognostic relevance of integrated Genetic profiling in acute myeloid leukemia. *N Engl J Med.* 2012; 366 (12): 1079-1089.

DNMT3A, NPM1, and MLL-PTD

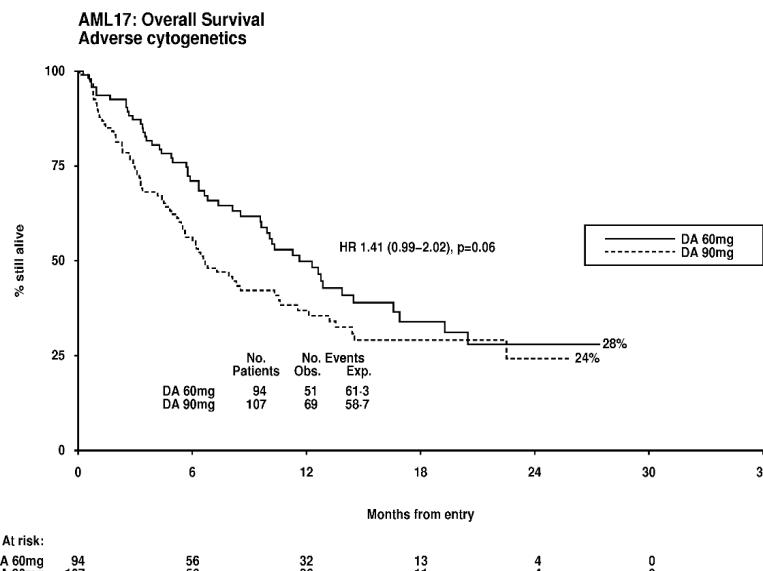
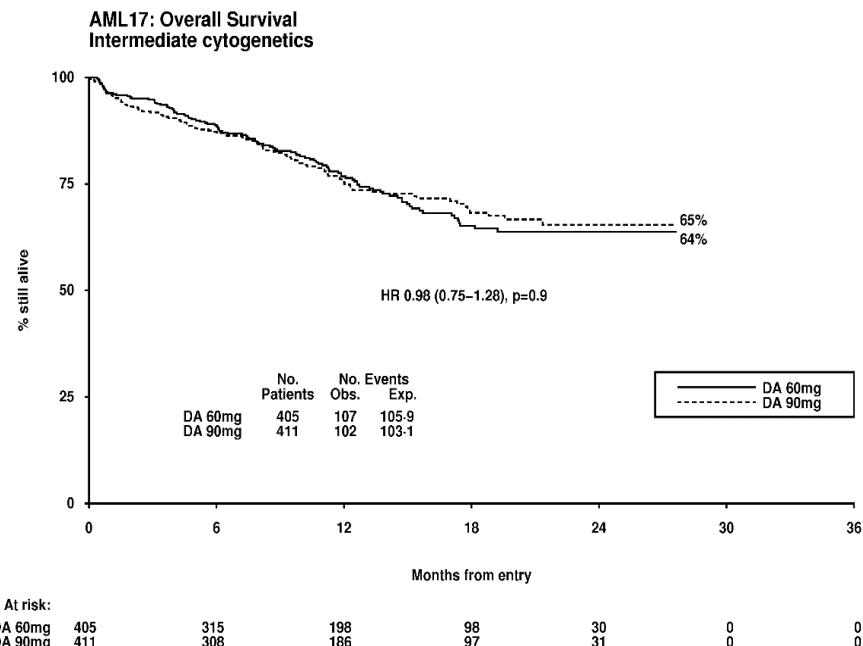
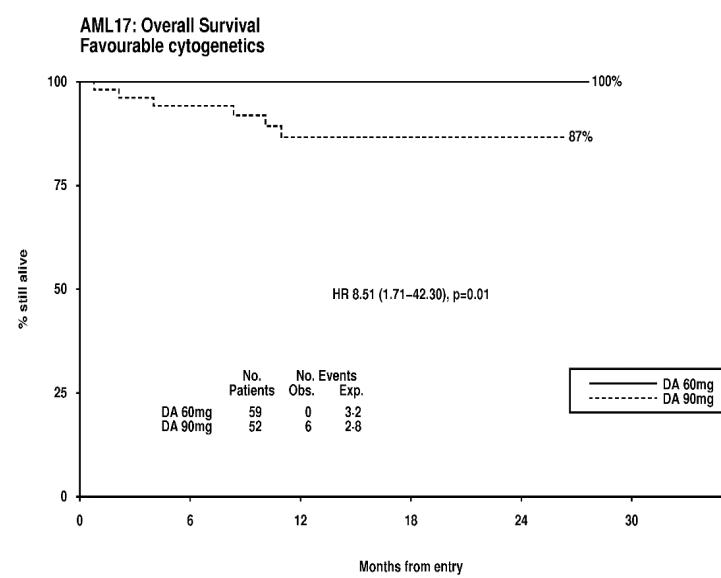
- Luskin MR, Lee J-W, Fernandez HF et al., Benefit of high dose daunorubicin in AML induction extends across cytogenetic and molecular groups: updated analysis of E1900 Blood 2016 Blood-2015-07-657403.

<50 years, not adverse cytogenetics, not FLT3, MLL-PTD and NMP1c if no FLT3

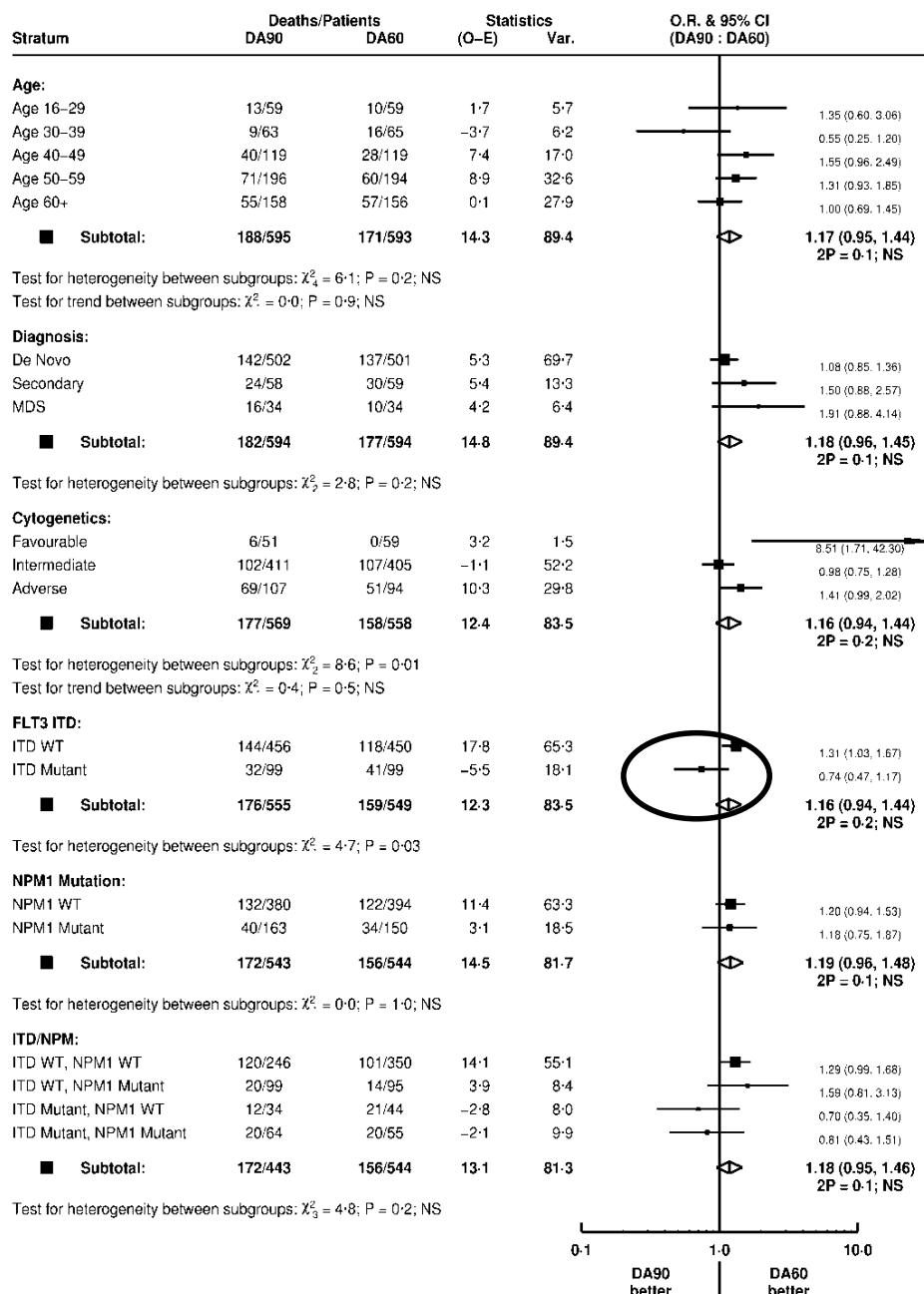
AML17: 90mg/m² vs 60mg/m²: OS



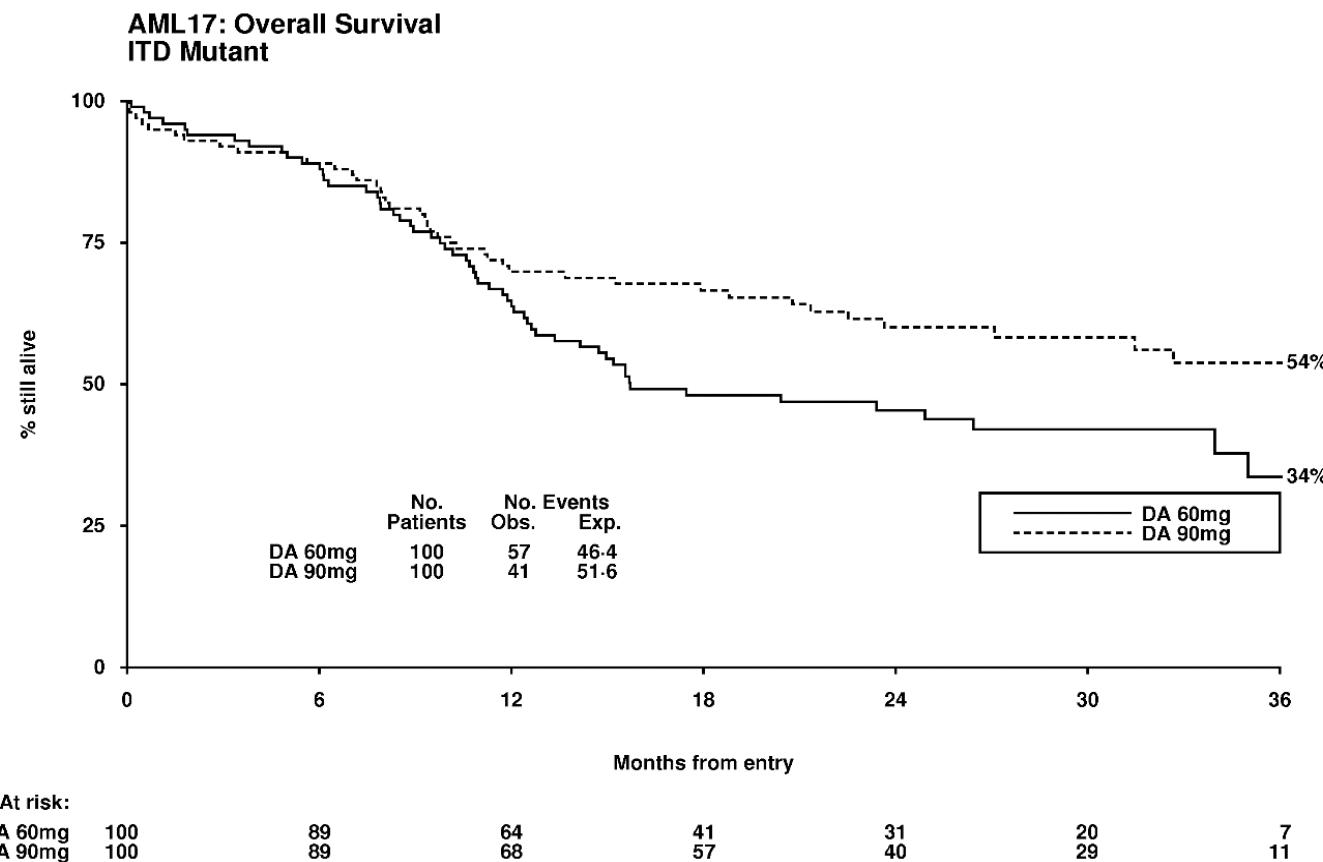
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AML17: 90mg/m² vs 60mg/m²: Stratified Analysis of survival



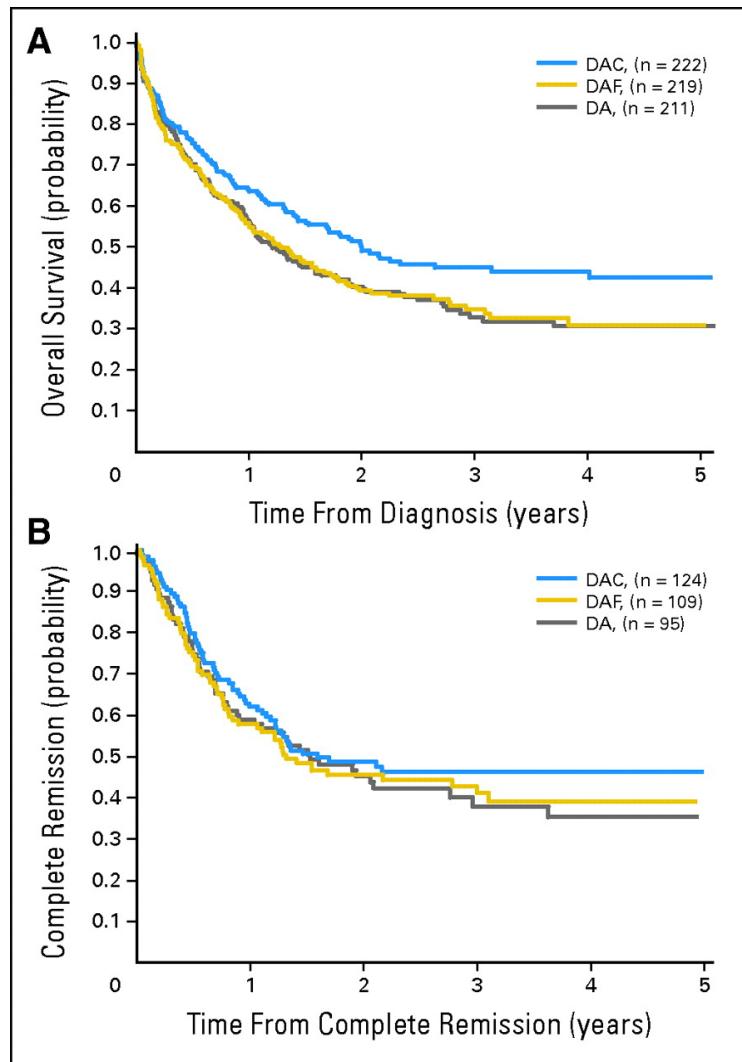
AML17 FLT3 Mutants: Dauno 90 vs. 60: Update



Addition of a Third drug

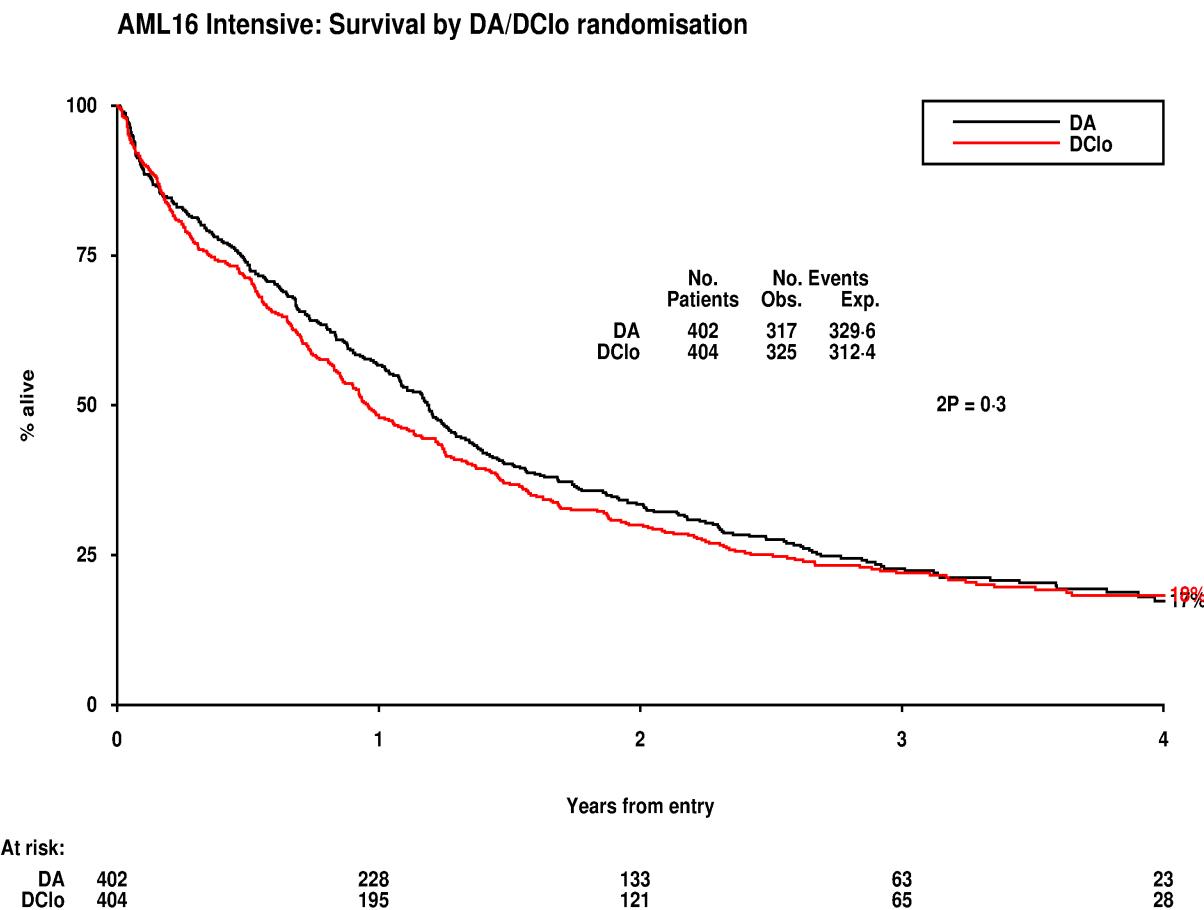
- A) Etoposide
- B) Cladribine / Fludarabine/ Clofarabine
- C) Gemtuzumab Ozogamicin (GO) – mylotarg
- D) FLAG-Ida

Addition of Cladribine to DA: (A) overall and (B) leukemia-free survival.

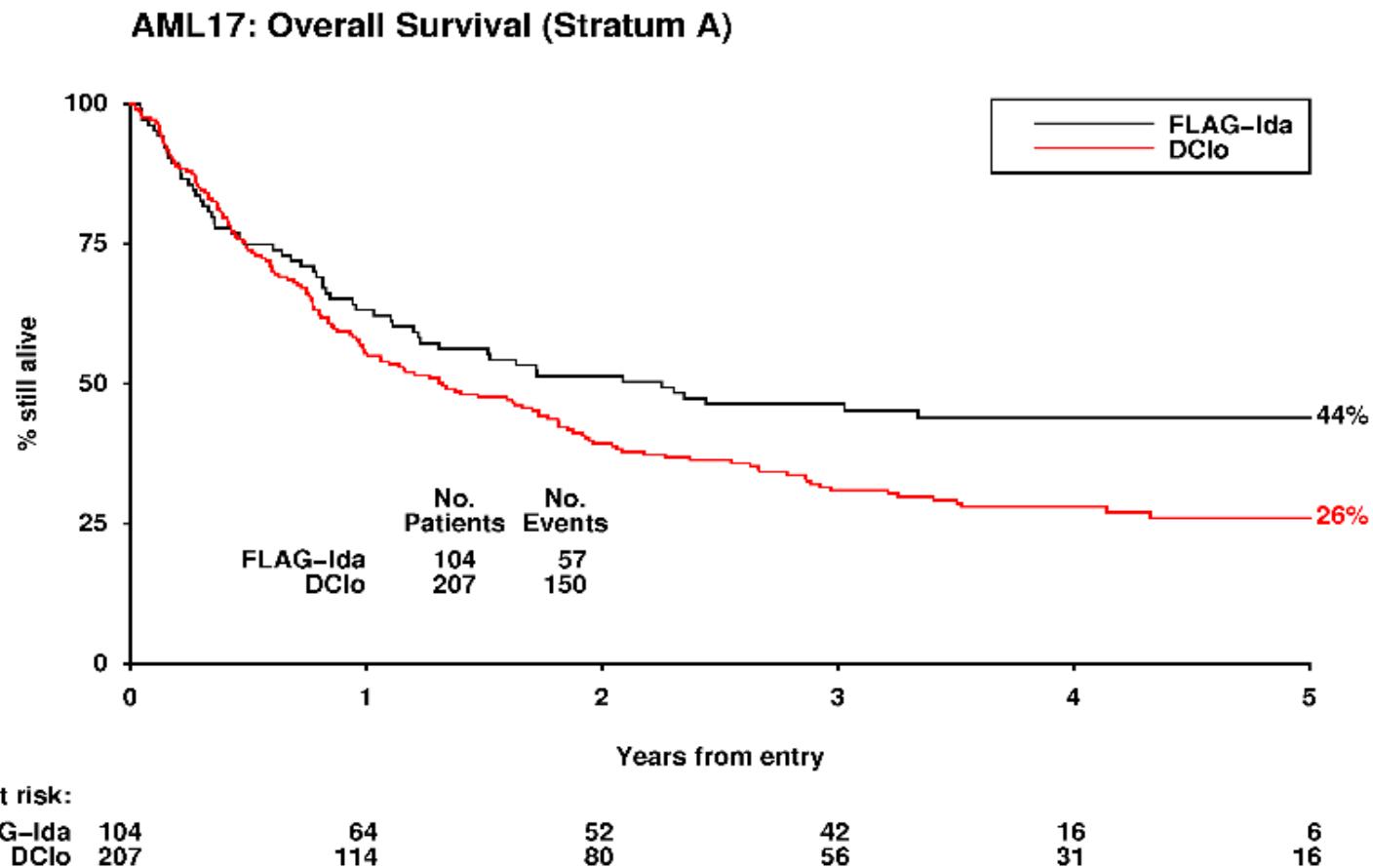


Holowiecki J et al. JCO 2012;30:2441-2448

DA vs D-Clofarabine OS (n=806)

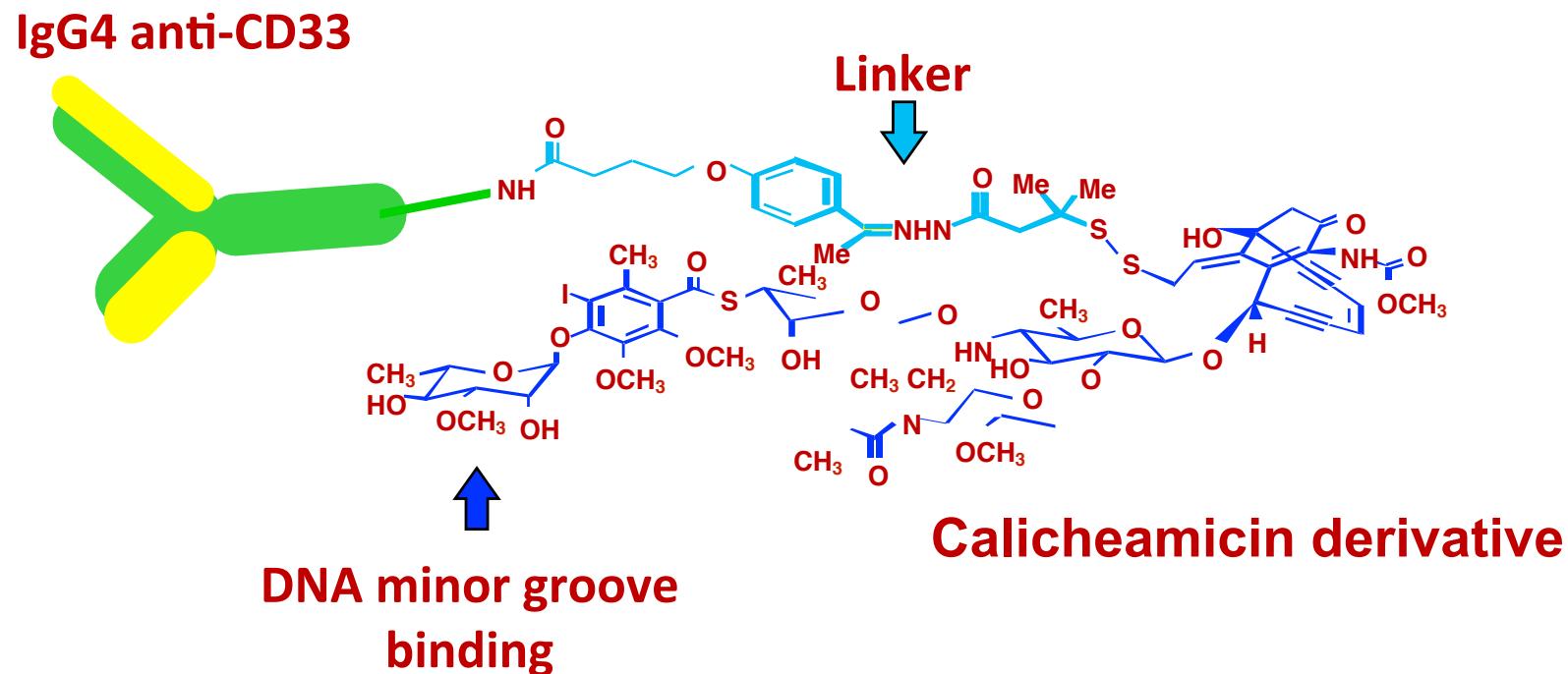


DClo vs FLAG-Ida for high risk



Mylotarg® (gemtuzumab ozogamicin)

First antibody-targeted chemotherapeutic agent for the treatment of relapsed acute myeloid leukemia in older patients



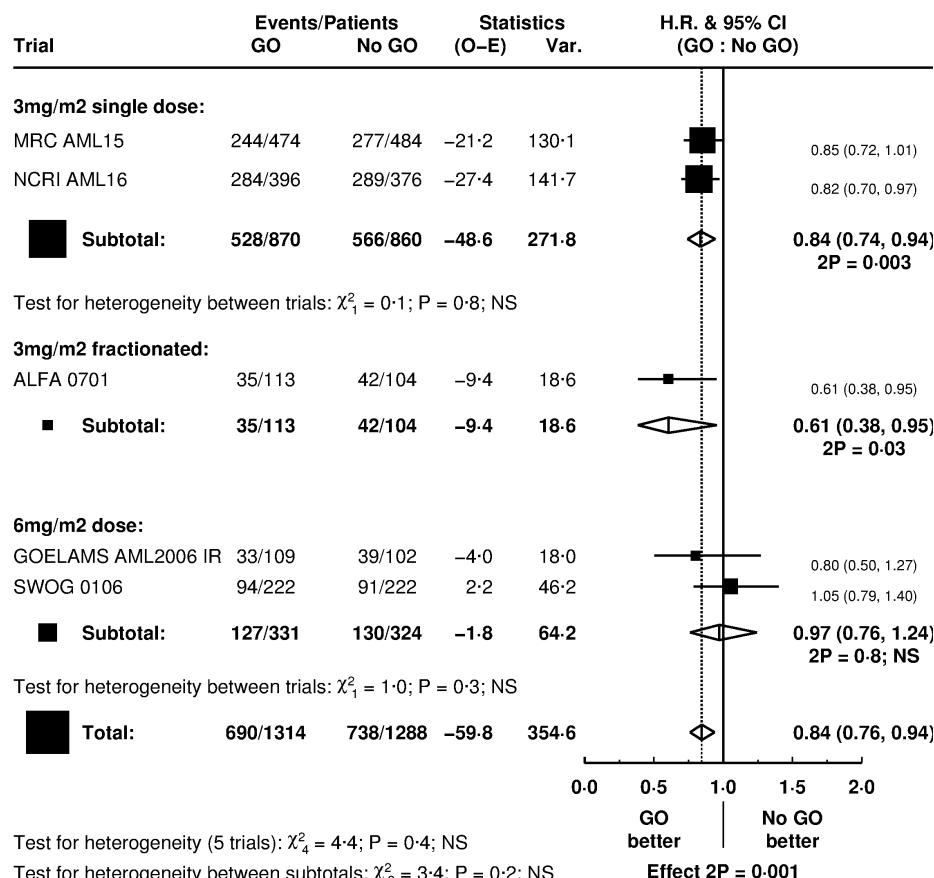
GO+IC: meta-analysis of RCT

Trial	GO dose/sched	Induction Chemo	No. of patients	Median age (years)	CG Risk (MRC)
MRC AML15	3 mg/m ² d1	ADE,DA, FLAG-Ida	1099	50 (15-71)	All
NCRI AML16		DA, DClo	1115	67 (51-84)	All
SWOG-0106	6 mg/m ² d4	DA (3+7)	595	47 (18-60)	All
GOELAMS AML2006/IR		DA (3+7)	238	50.5 (18-60)	Inter
ALFA-0701	3 mg/m ² d1,4,7	DA (3+7)	278	62 (50-70)	Inter/Adv

Hills RK et al. Lancet Oncol.

Results: Survival post remission

Meta-Analysis of Trials of GO in induction
Survival from remission



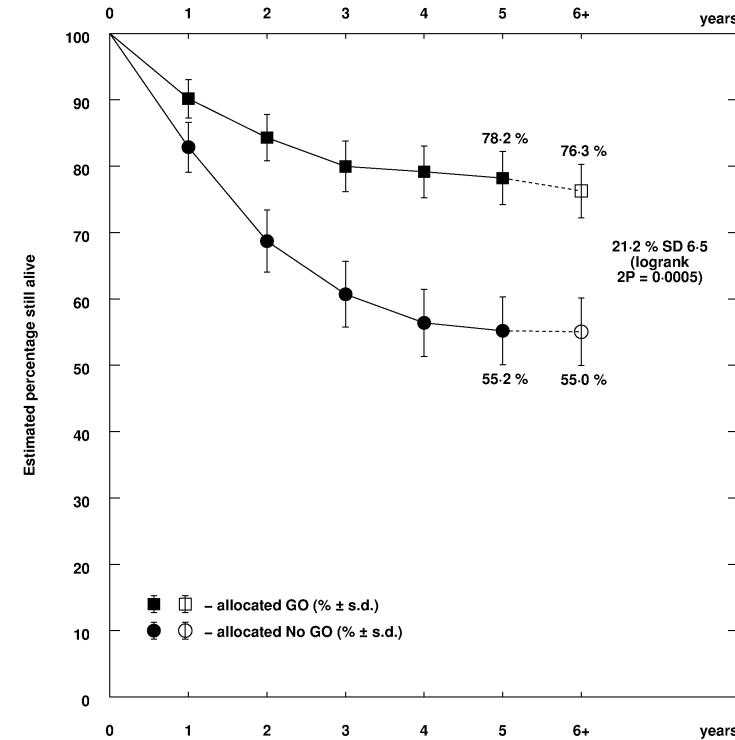
Overall Survival: Favourable, Intermediate Cytogenetics

Annual event rates:

GO
No GO

years 1–5
5.7 % SD 1.1
14.0 % SD 1.9

years 6+
2.3 % SD 1.3
0.0 % SD 0.0



Deaths/person-years:
Favourable cytogenetics

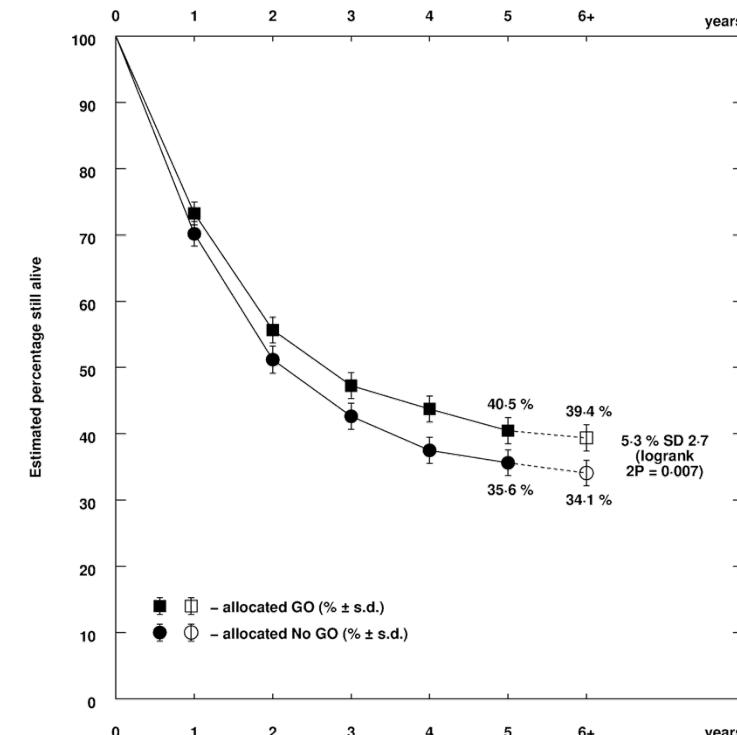
GO	13/119	7/106	5/95	1/84	1/73	3/132
No GO	20/109	18/93	10/76	5/61	1/46	0/85

Annual event rates:

GO
No GO

years 1–5
22.5 % SD 1.0
26.1 % SD 1.1

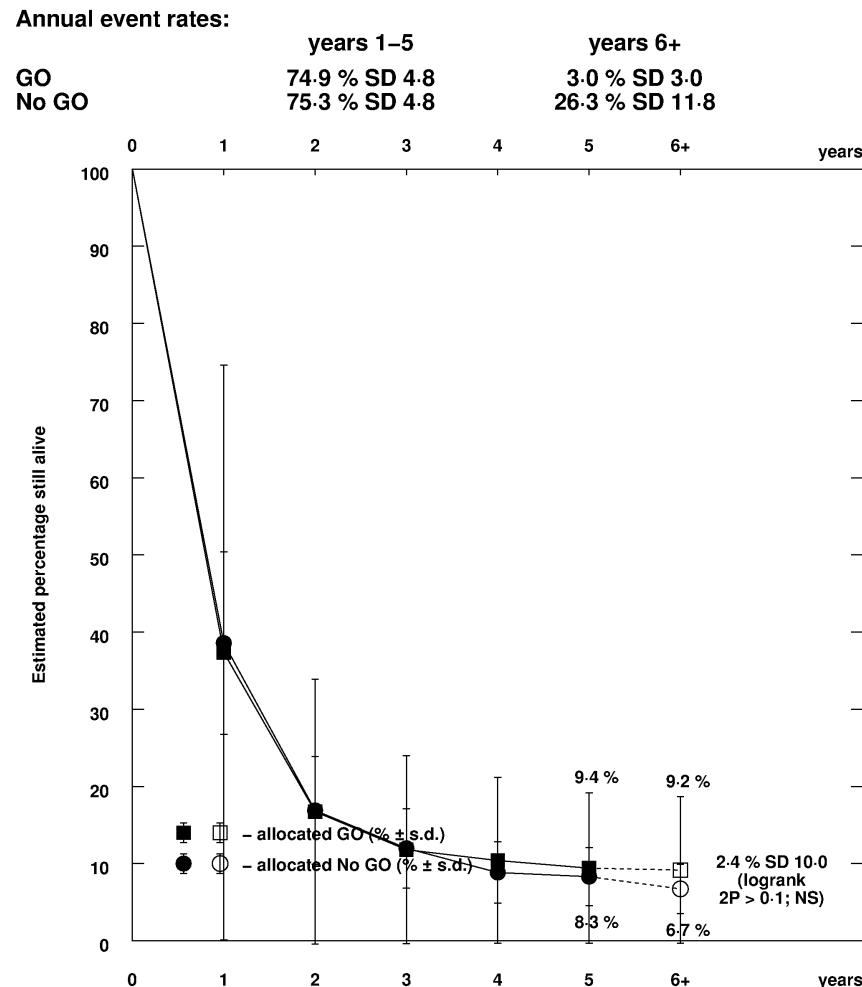
years 6+
2.7 % SD 0.9
4.5 % SD 1.2



Deaths/person-years:
Intermediate cytogenetics

GO	248/806	158/575	70/418	24/293	16/202	9/336
No GO	284/793	166/524	67/373	33/262	9/186	14/308

Overall Survival: Adverse



Deaths/person-years:

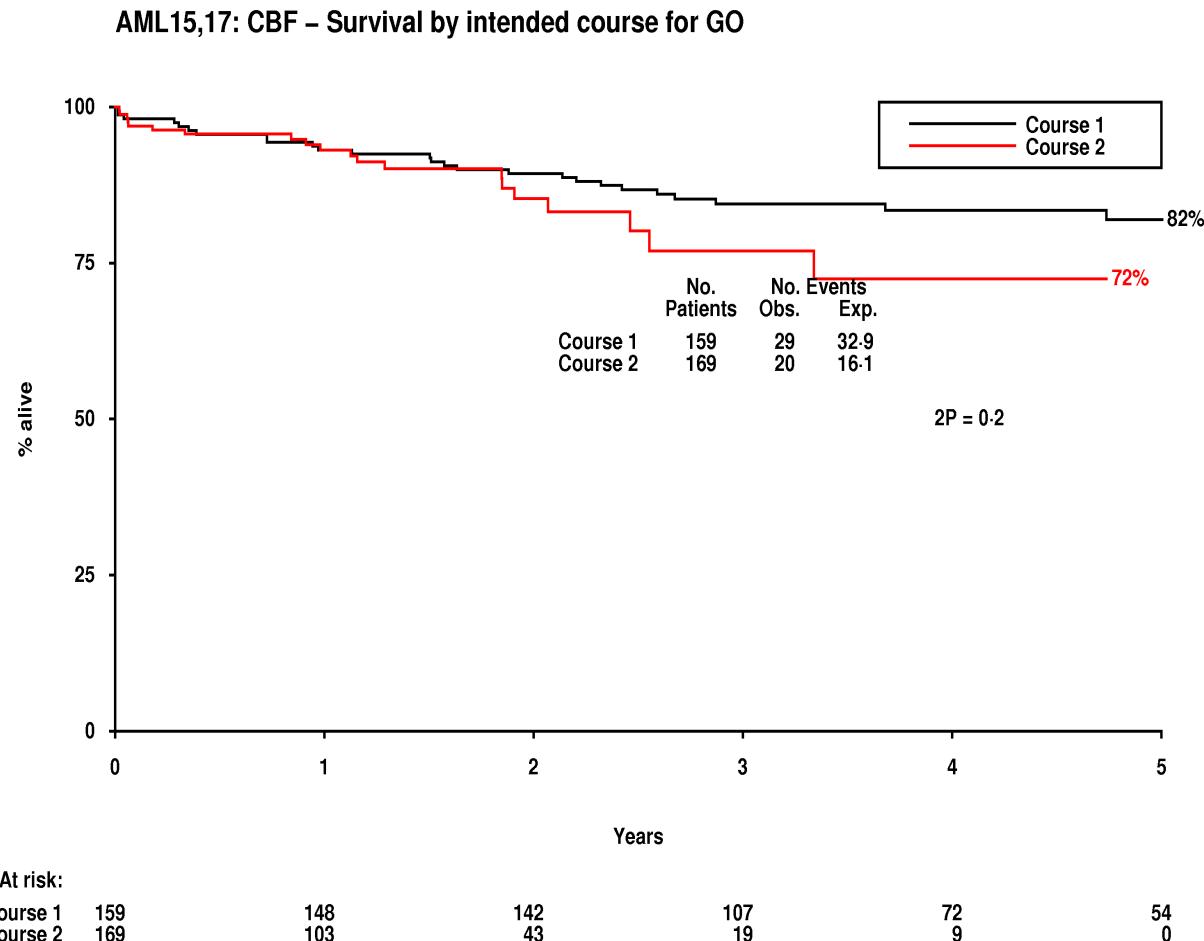
Adverse cytogenetics

GO	172/173	54/68	14/40	3/27	2/19	1/18	5/19
No GO	166/176	56/67	13/38	8/25			

CBF Subset: Results of regression analysis

Variable listed in order of importance	Hazard ratio	95% Confidence Interval	P-value
GO	0.47	0.30 to 0.71	<0.0001
Performance status (per category)	1.18	1.06 to 1.33	0.002
Age (per 10 years)	1.18	1.07 to 1.31	0.002
Ara-C consolidation	0.81	0.68 to 0.98	0.02
Male sex	1.30	1.03 to 1.63	0.03

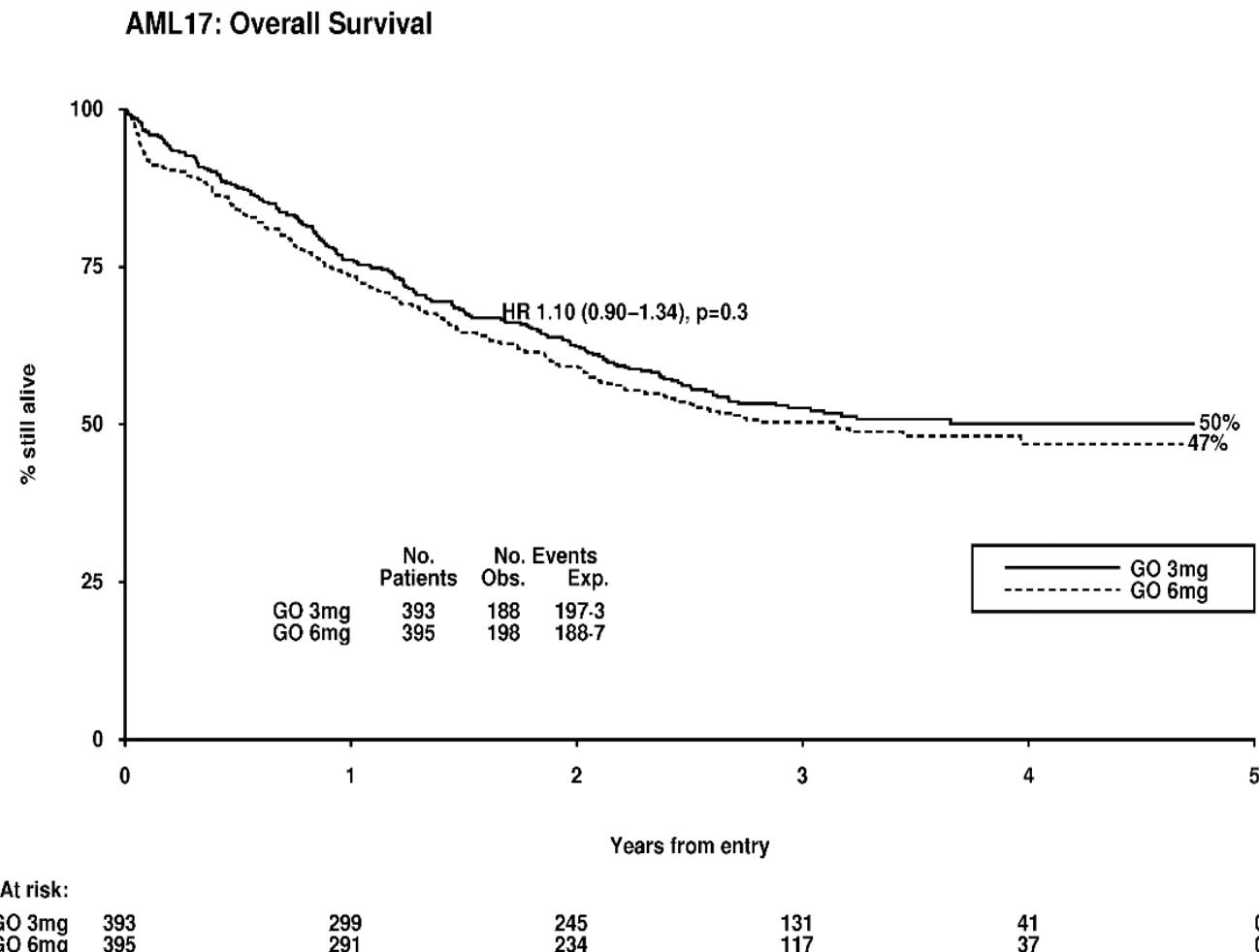
GO for CBF in course 1 or course 2?



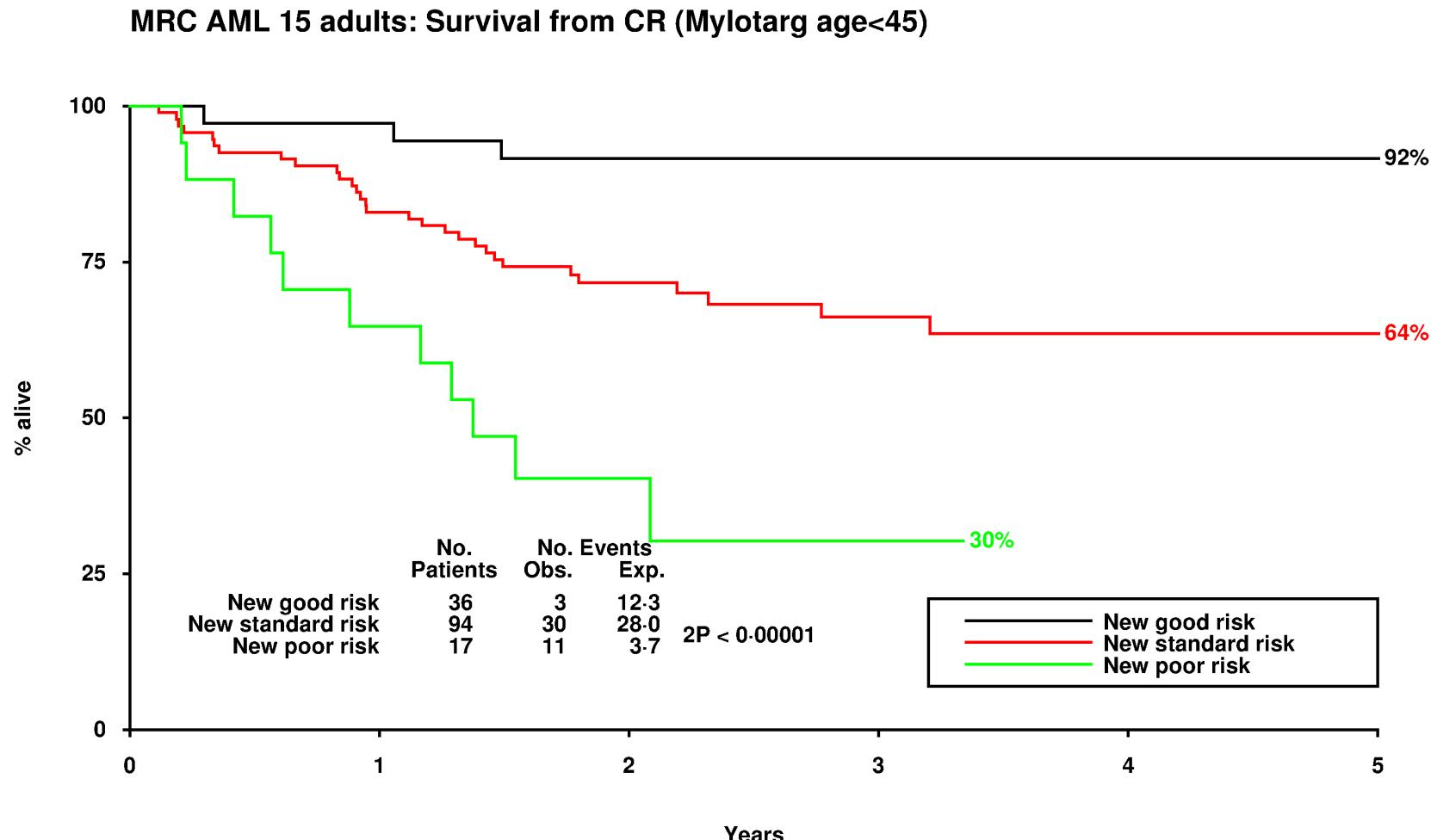
Mylotarg: Remaining Issues

- Optimum dose
- Schedule
- Use in consolidation
- Use in APL
- Availability/ approval

AML17: GO 6mg vs 3mg (n=788)



Role for Transplant? The Mylotarg Impact



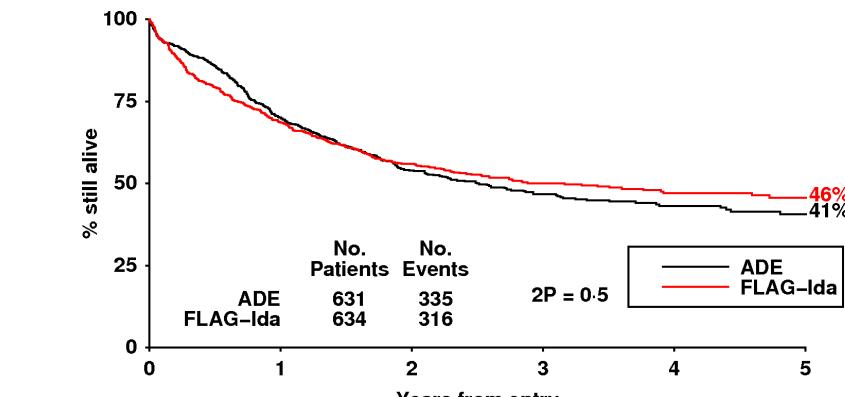
FLAG-Ida

AML 15 Patients <60 yrs: Remission Rates

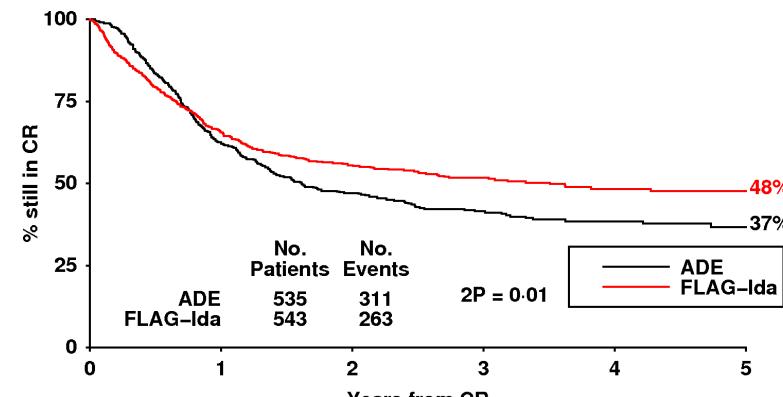
	DA vs ADE	ADE vs FLAG-Ida	DA(90)	
Overall (%)	78	82	81	84
Course 1	63	69	67	77
% of remitters	81	84	83	92

ADE vs FLAG-Ida

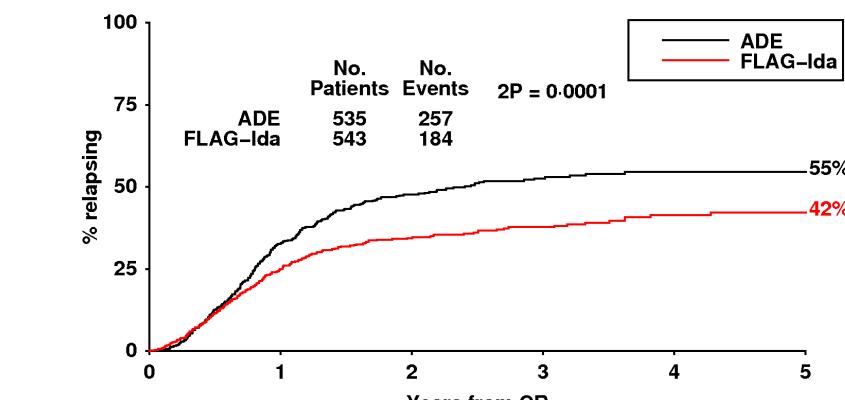
AML15: Overall Survival



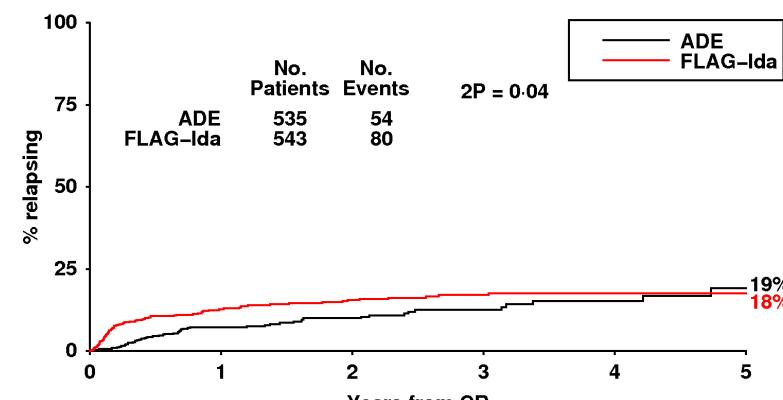
AML15: Relapse Free Survival



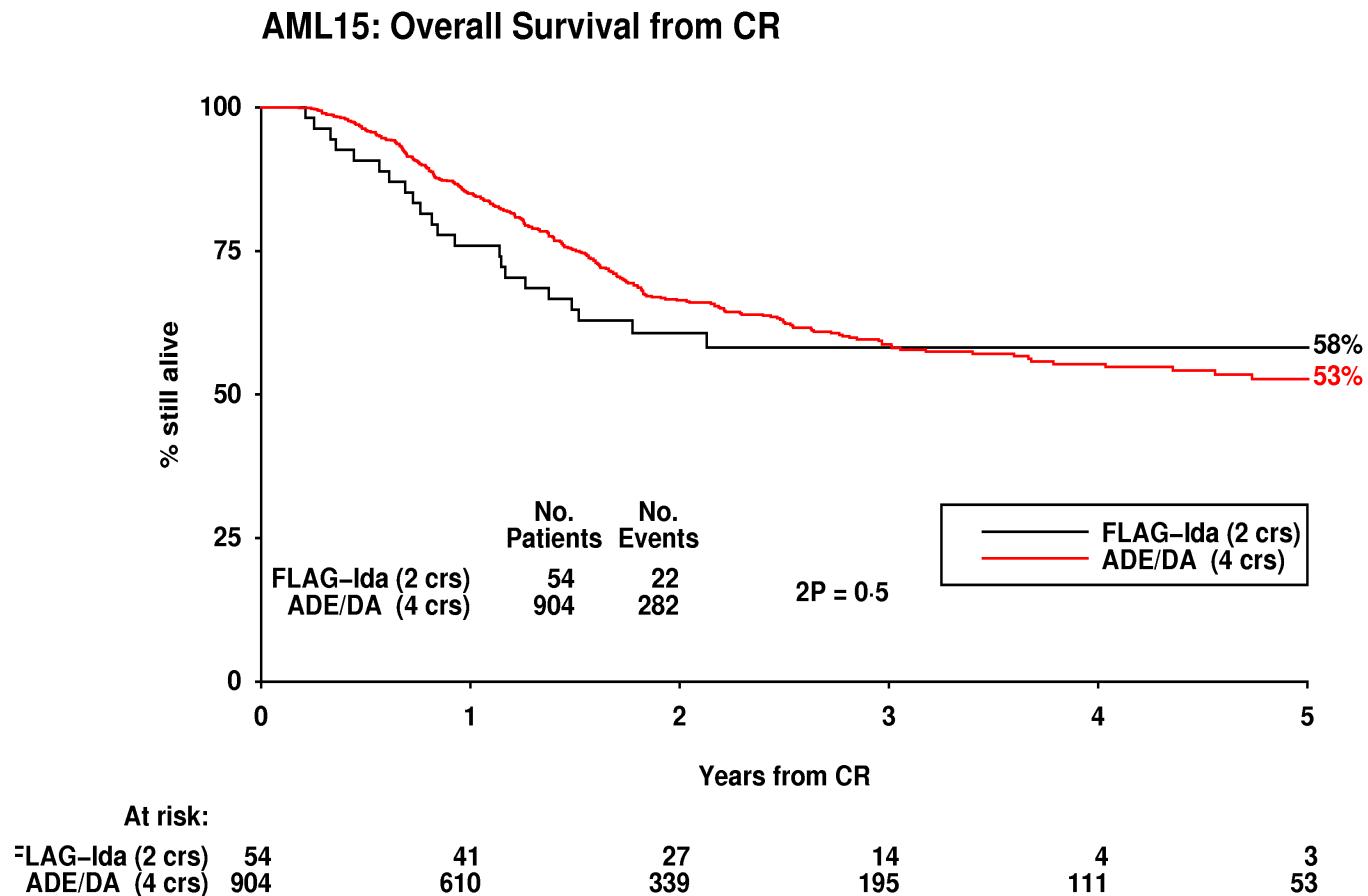
AML15: Relapse Risk



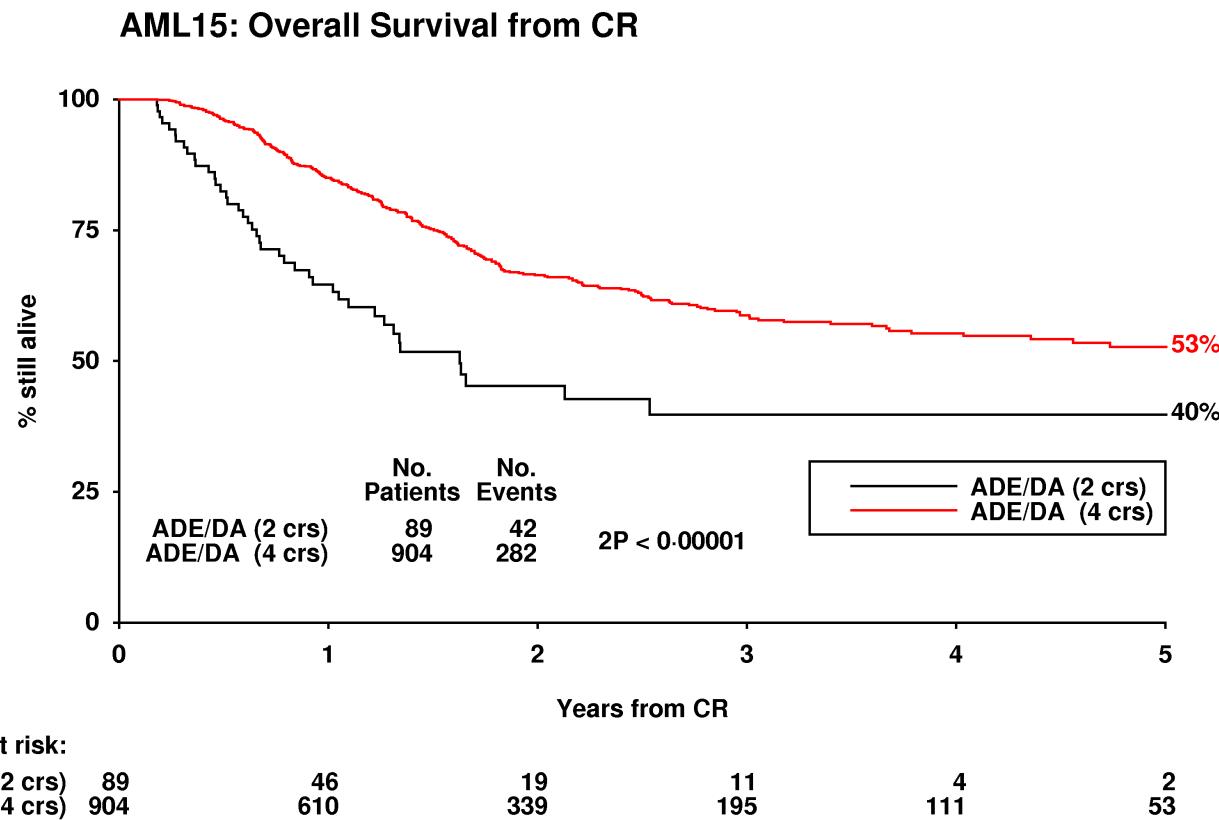
AML15: Death in CR



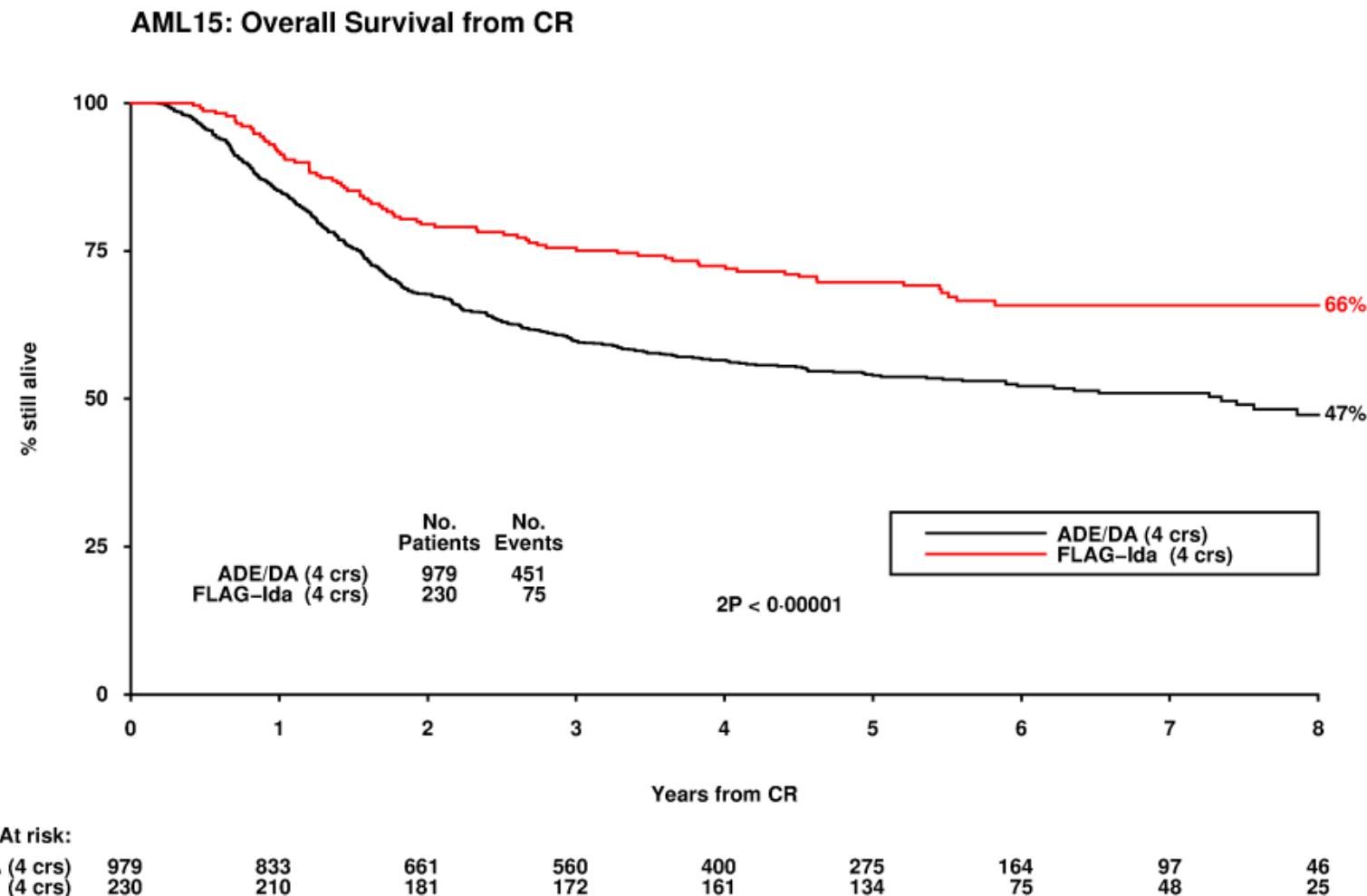
2 or 4 courses? FLAG v ADE/Ara-C



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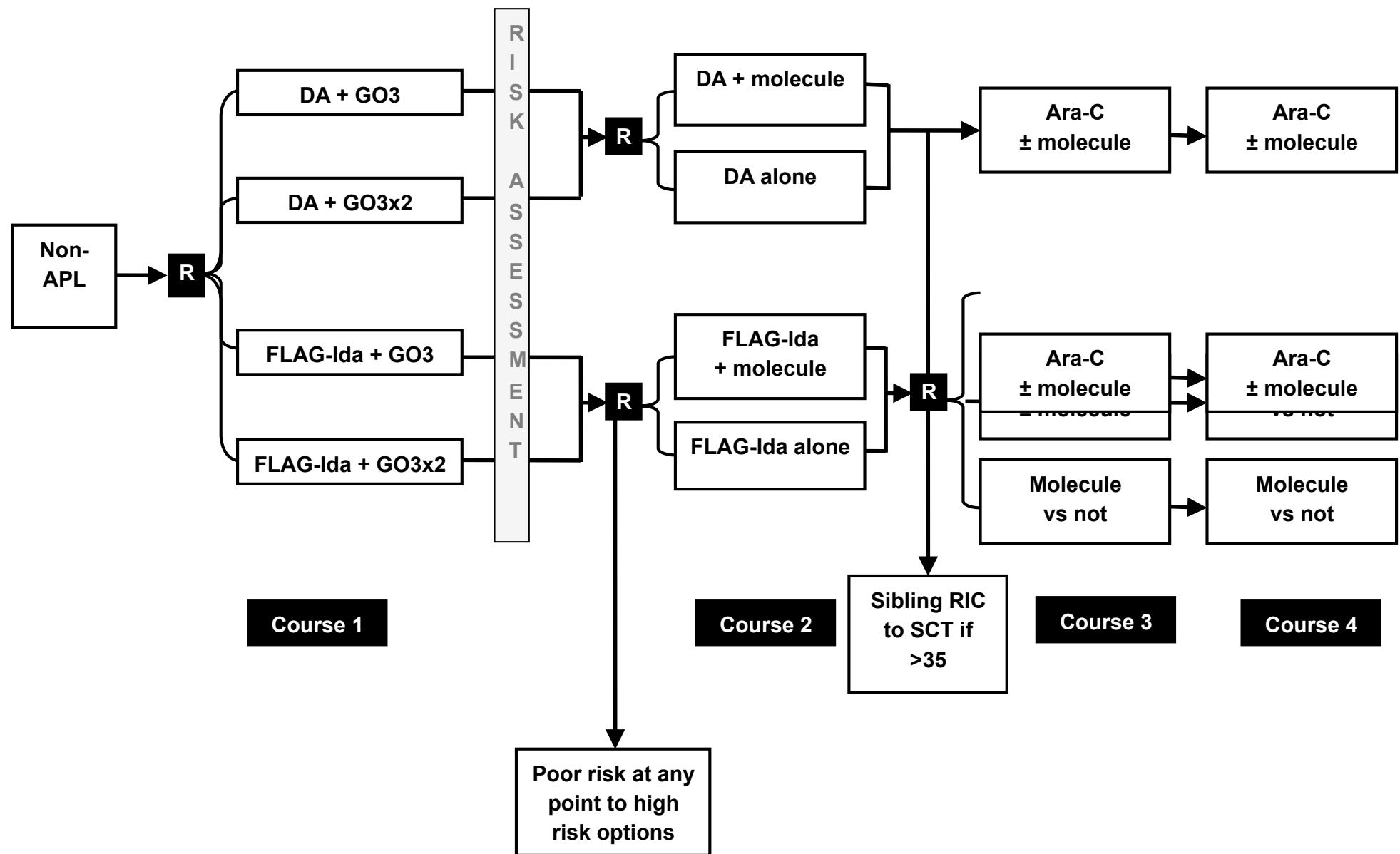


ADE/DA vs FLAG-Ida – 4 courses



p-value adjusted for age, WBC, cytogenetics, secondary disease p=0.004

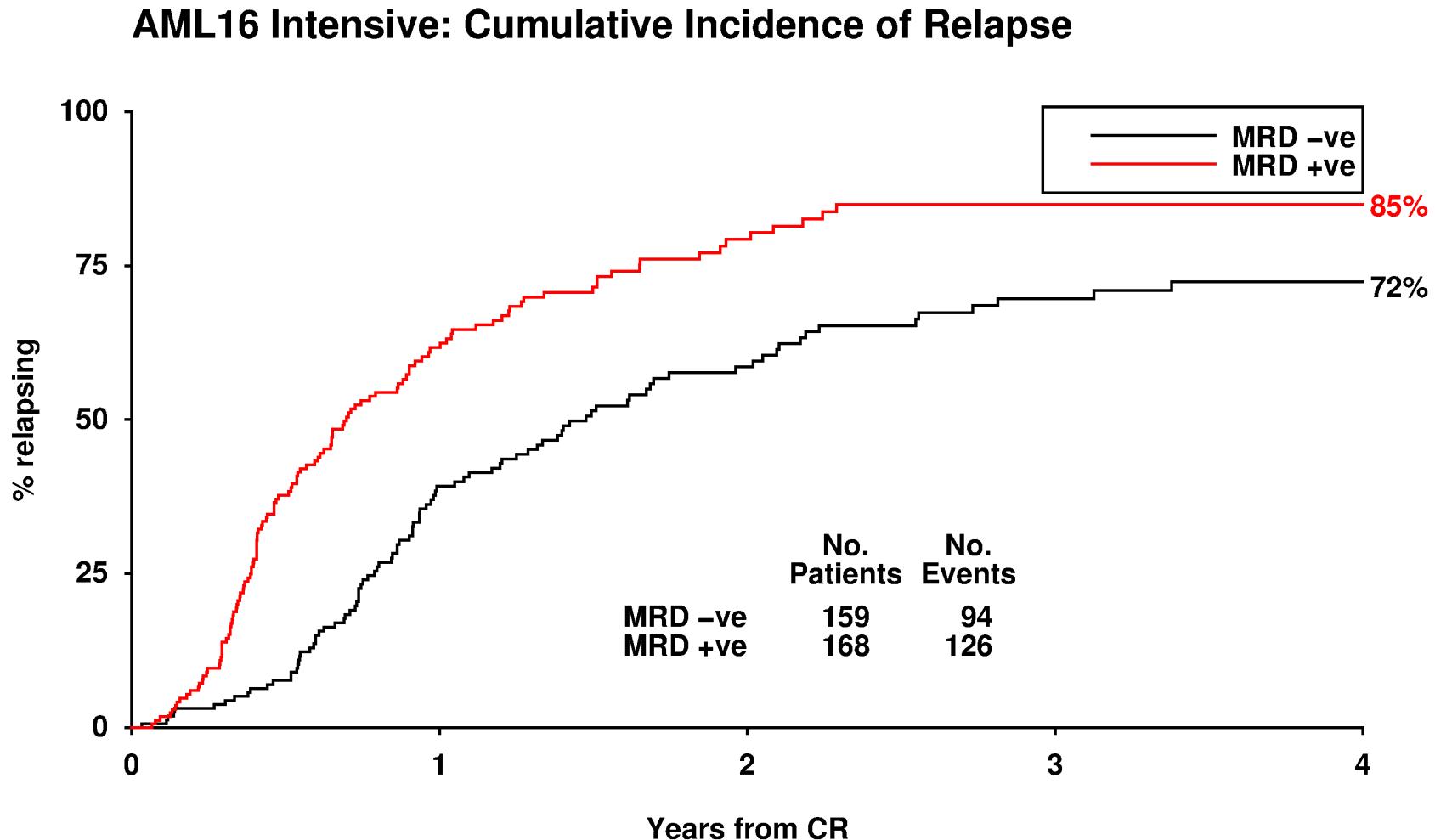
NCRI AML19 (2015-)



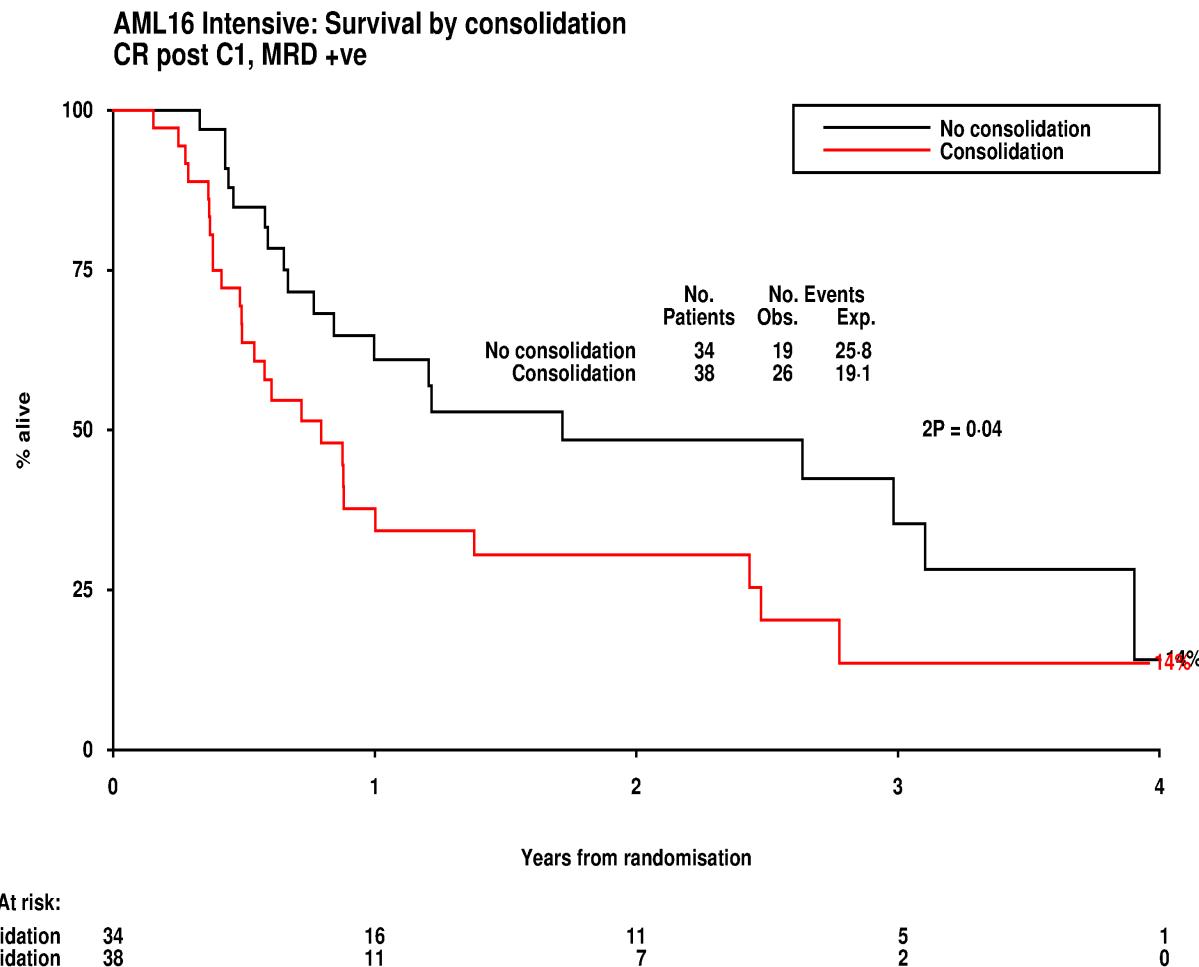
Implementation of MRD

- Specificity and sensitivity
- ? Does it tell us more than we already know.
- Is it prognostic or is it predictive?
- Is it treatment dependent?
- What are the indirect costs?
- “monitor vs no monitor”

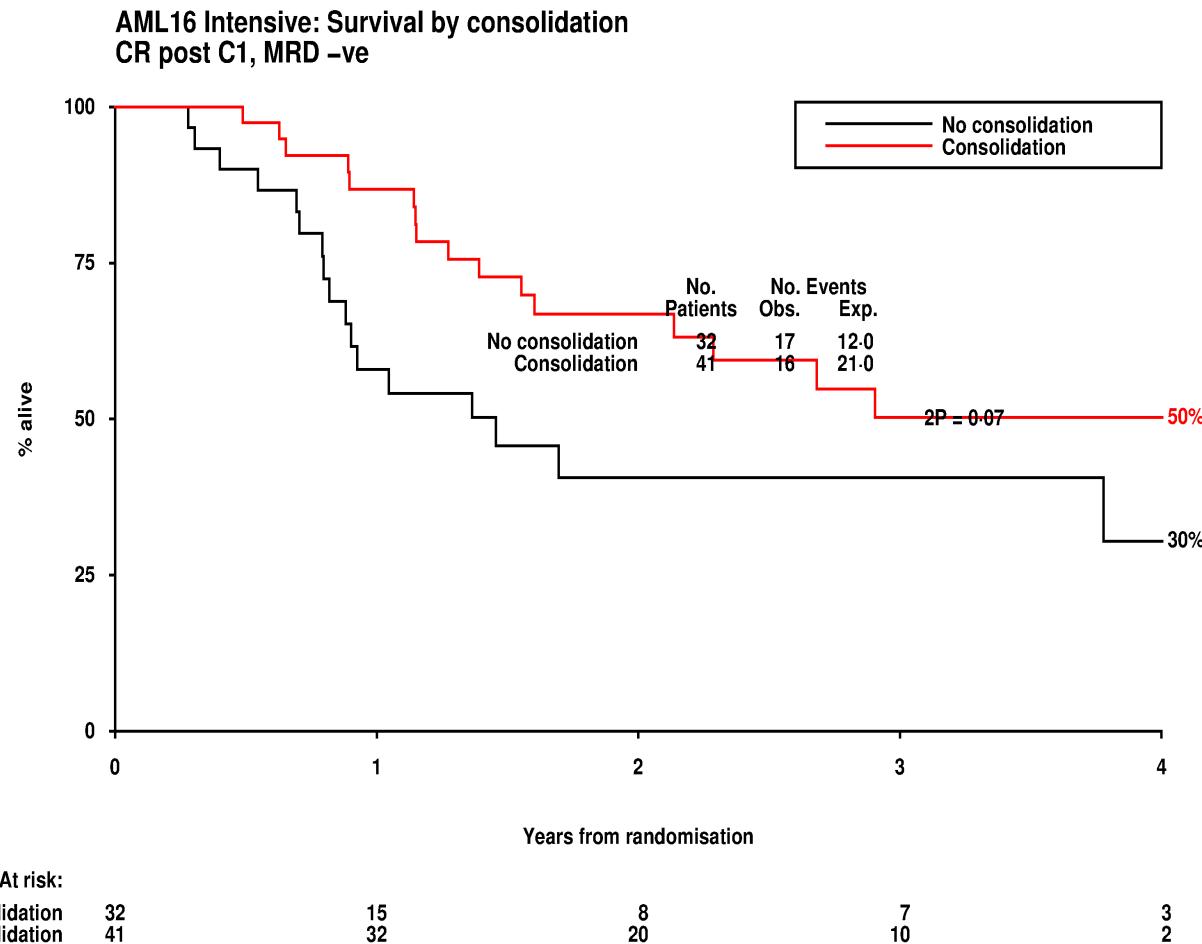
MRD: Cumulative Incidence of Relapse



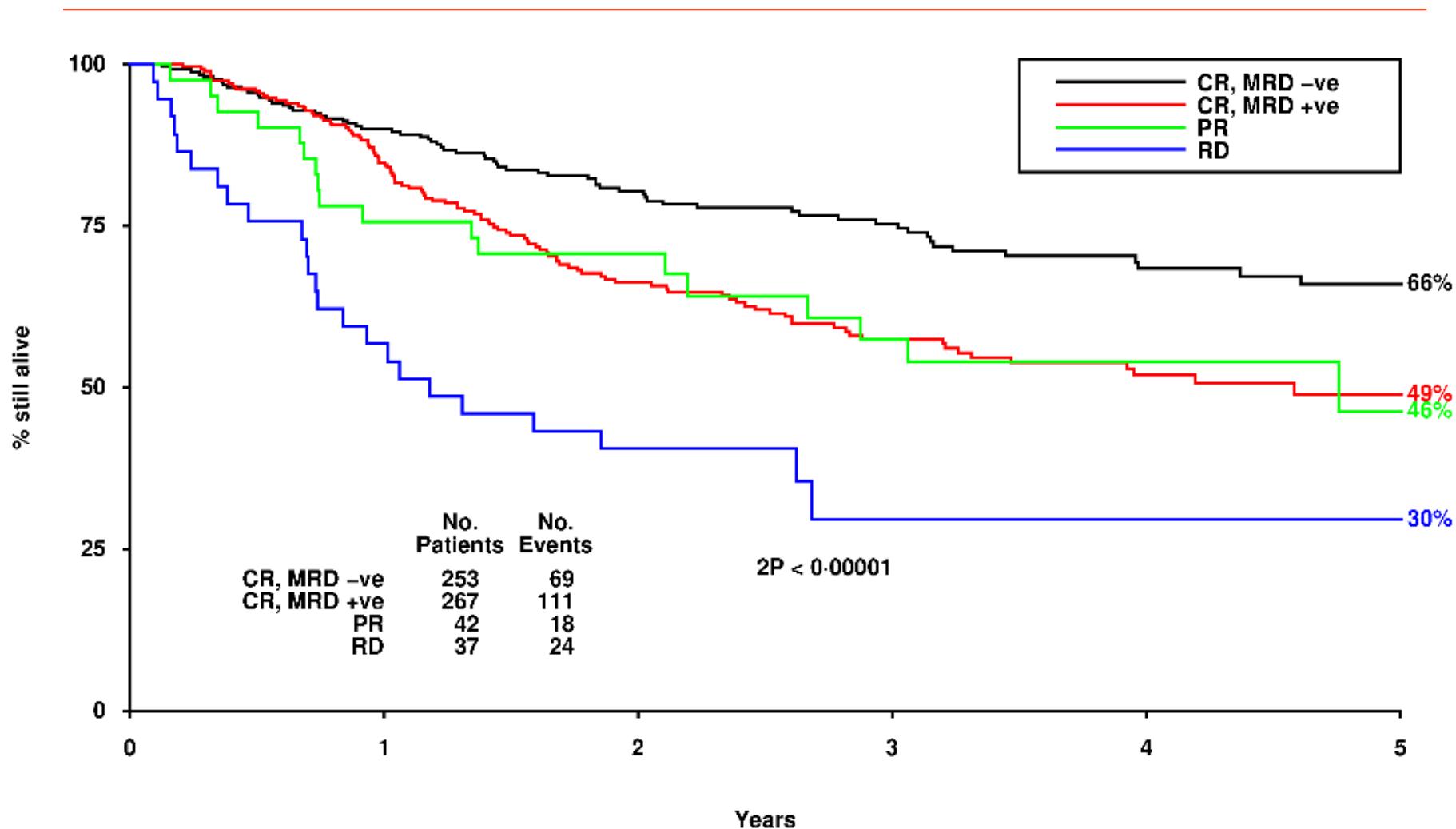
Addition of Consolidation in MRD +ve



Addition of Consolidation in MRD-ve

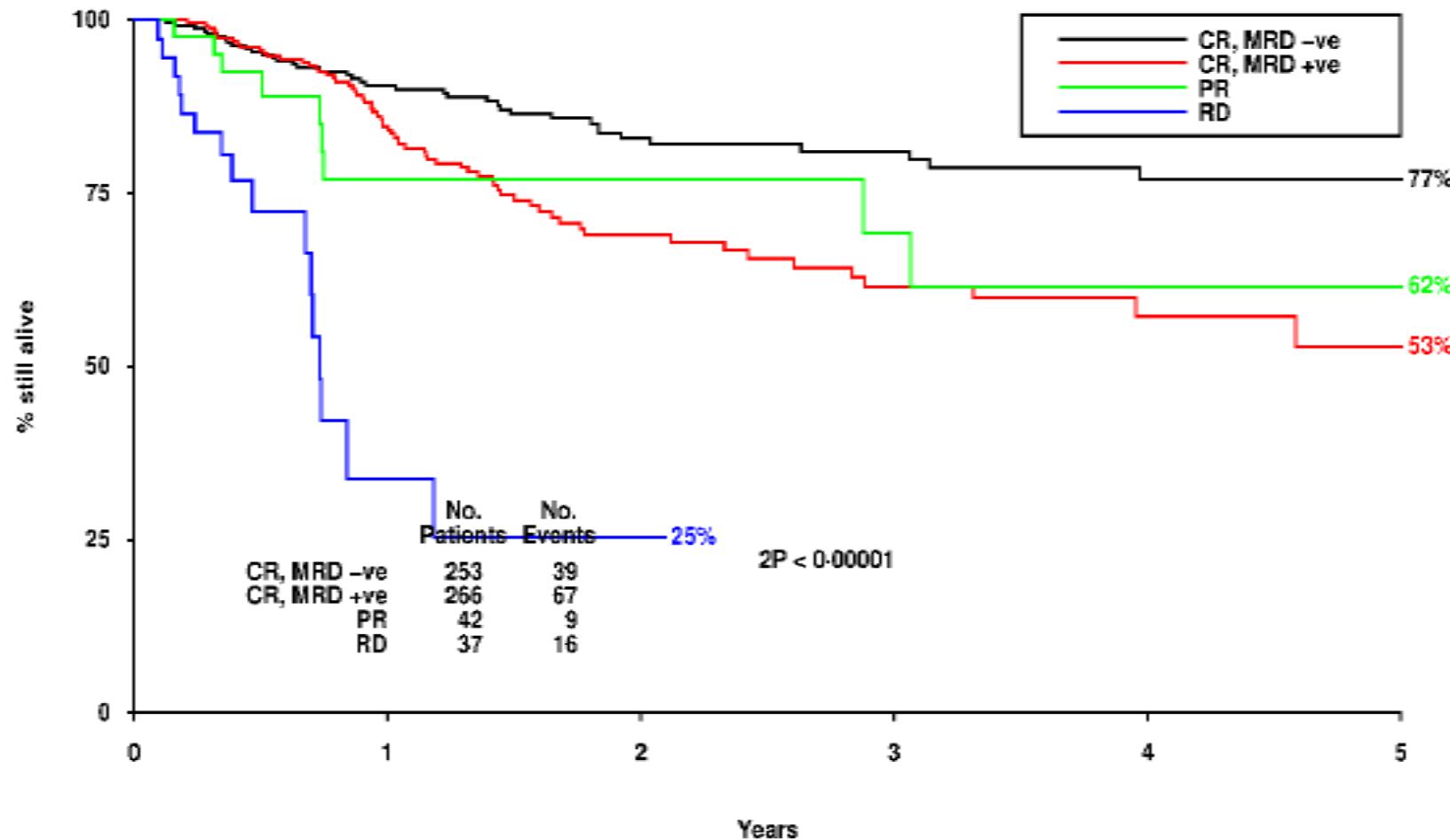


OS: Standard Risk (N=699)



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OS Standard Risk Censored at SCT



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Conclusions

- There is better than “3+7” available
- Daunorubicin 60mg dose is optimal for most
- Addition of mylotarg; cladribine; and/or FLAG-Ida may be superior
- The efficacy of induction determines OS when intensive therapy use.
- MRD status may clarify post induction choices