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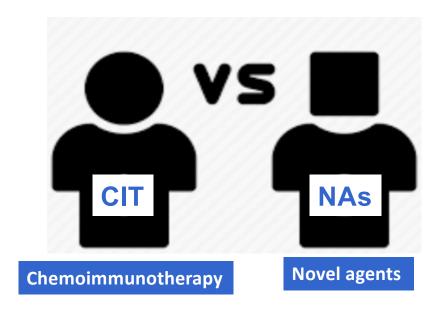
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## Una terapia chemo-free: quando e a chi?

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## Una terapia chemo-free: quando e a chi?



TN patients

R/R patients

TP53 disrupted patients

## Front-line therapy: CIT vs NAs

CIT

**ELDERLY/UNFIT** 

CHLORAMBUCIL+ OBINUTUZUMAB **IBRUTINIB (RESONATE-2)** 

**IBRUTINIB+OBINUTUZUMAB (ILLUMINATE TRIAL)** 

NAs

**VENETOCLAX+OBINUTUZUMAB (CLL14)** 

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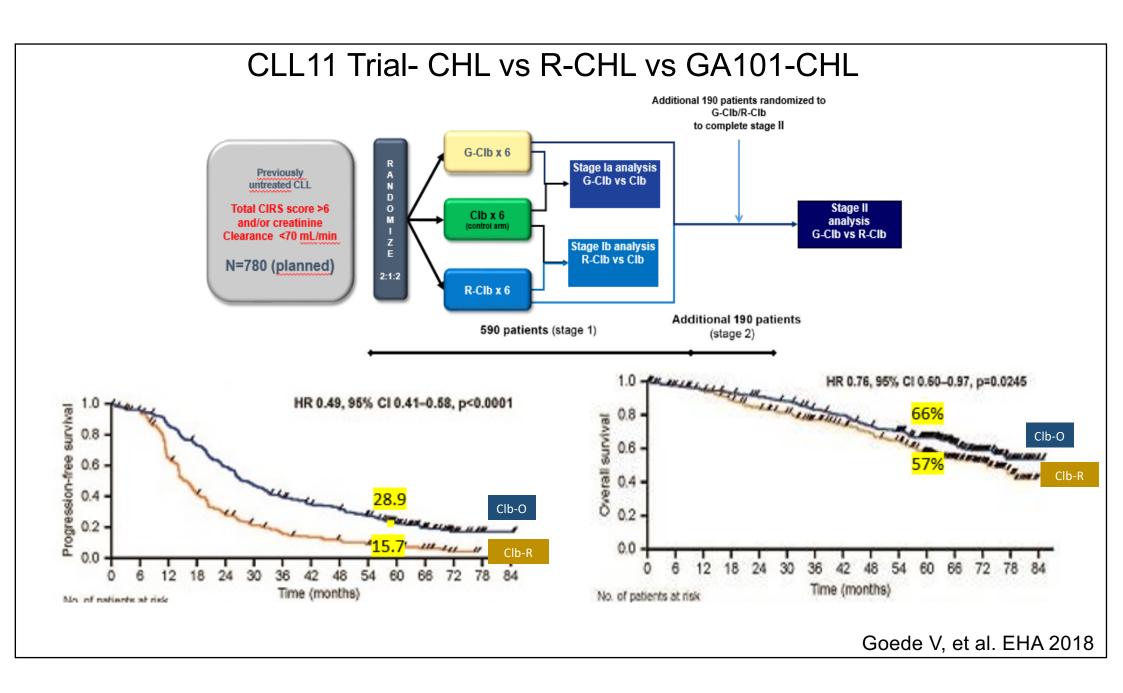
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RITUXIMAB

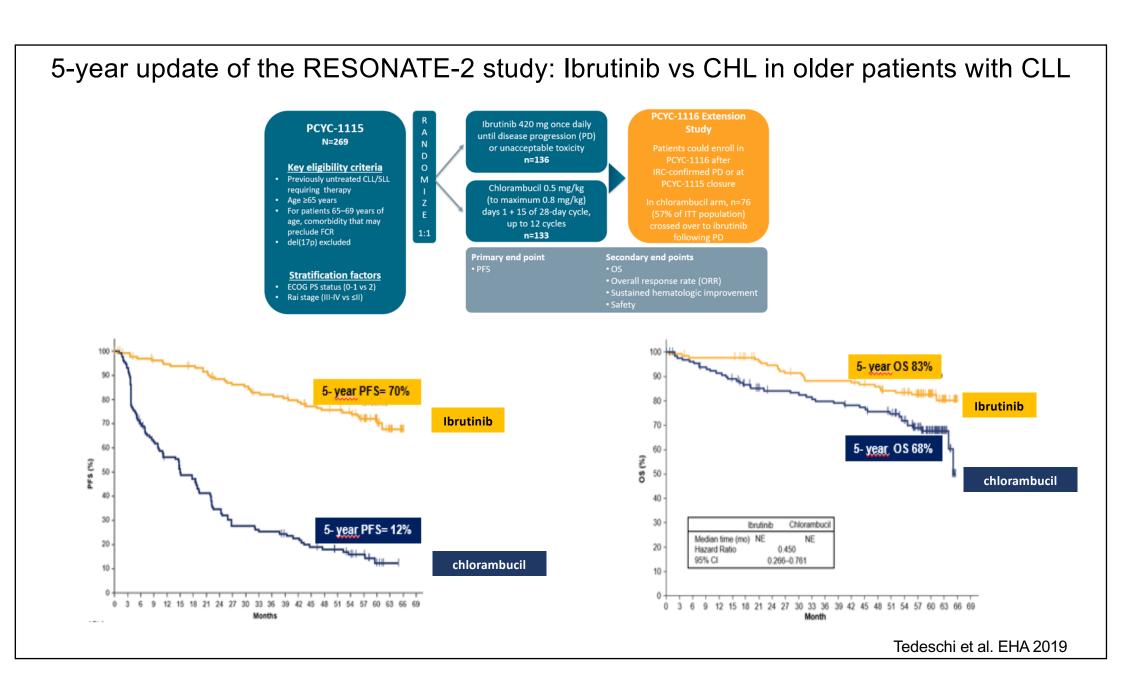
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YOUNGER/FIT

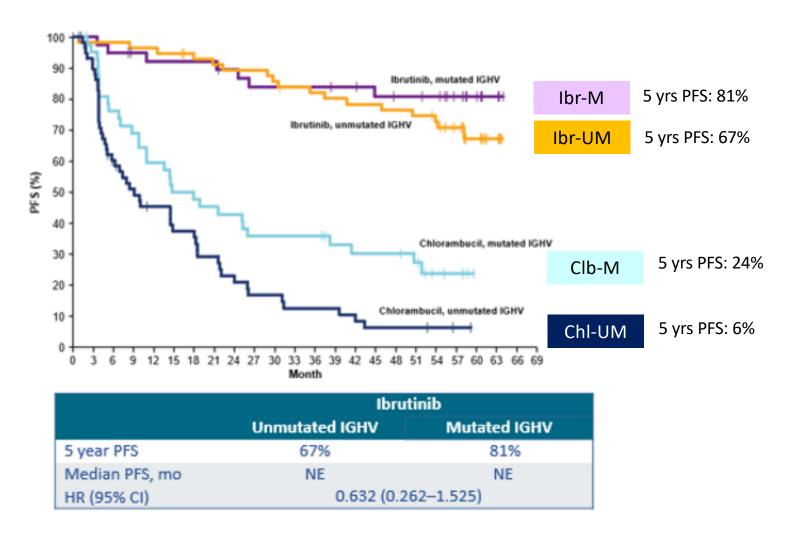
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**IBRUTINIB** 





### 5-year update of the RESONATE-2 study: Ibrutinib vs CHL in older patients with CLL



Tedeschi et al. EHA 2019

## iLLUMINATE (PCYC-1130) TRIAL: Ibr+Obi vs ChI+Obi

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#### Paients (N=229)

- Previously untreated CLL/SLL
- Requiring treatment per iwCLL 2008 criteria
- Aged ≥65 years or <65 years with ≥1 coexisting condition:
  - CIRS >6

**Progression-free survival** 

90

60

50

40

30

20

10

Median (mo)

Hazard ratio

(95% CI)

P<0.0001

18

Months

9 12 15

survival (%) 80

- CrCl <70 mL/min
- del(17p) or TP53 mutation

Stratification: del(17p) vs del(11q) vs neither del(17p) or del(11q); ECOG 2 vs 0-1

#### Ibrutinib-Obinutuzumab

Ibrutinib 420 mg once daily until PD or unacceptable toxicity + obinutuzumab 000 mg split on days 1-2 and on days 8 and 15 (cycle 1) then on day 1 (total 6 cycles)

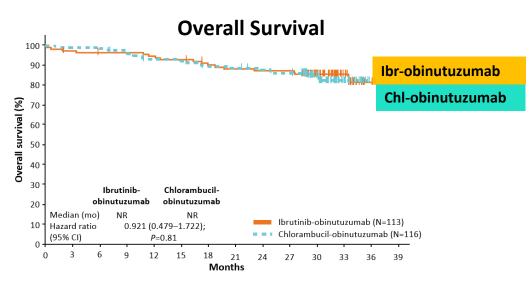
#### Chlorambucil-Obinutuzumab

Chlorambucil 0.5 mg/kg on days 1 and 15 (6 cycles) + obinutuzumab 1000 mg split on days 1-2 and on days 8 and 15 (cycle 1) then on day 1 (total 6 cycles)

After IRC-confirmed PD, patients were

#### Ibr-obinutuzumab 3 yrs PFS: 76% Chl-obinutuzumab Chlorambucil-Ibrutinib-3 yearsPFS: 33% obinutuzumab obinutuzumab 0.251 (0.160-0.395)

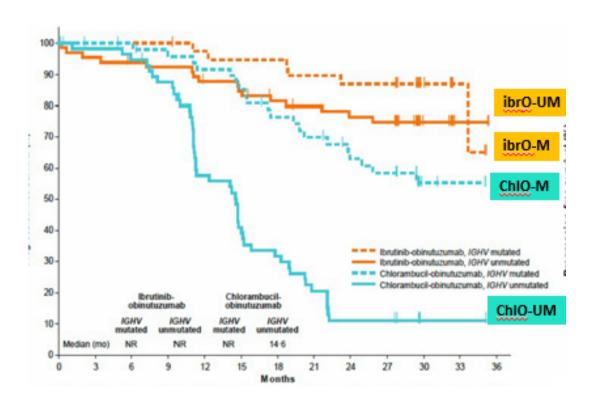
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Moreno et al. iWCLL 2019

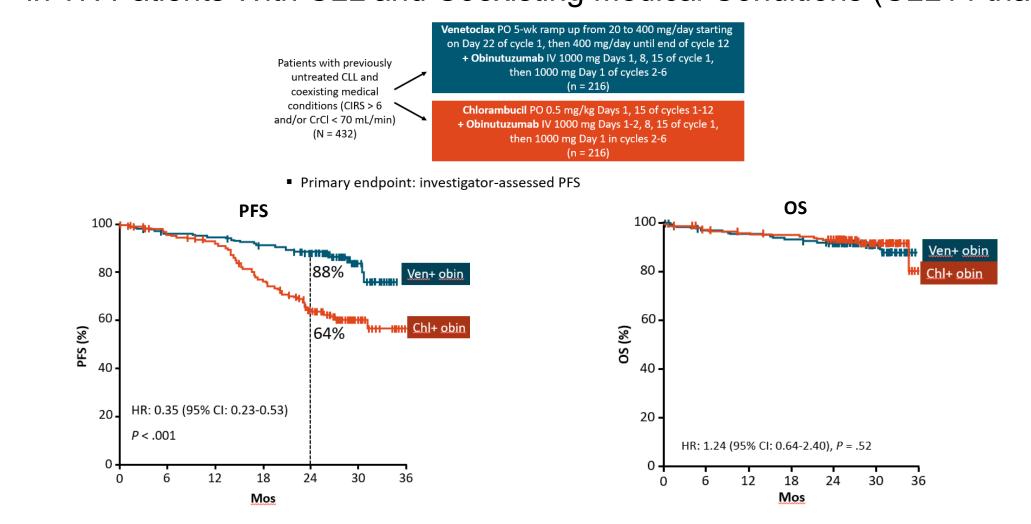
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### PFS by IGHV mutational status

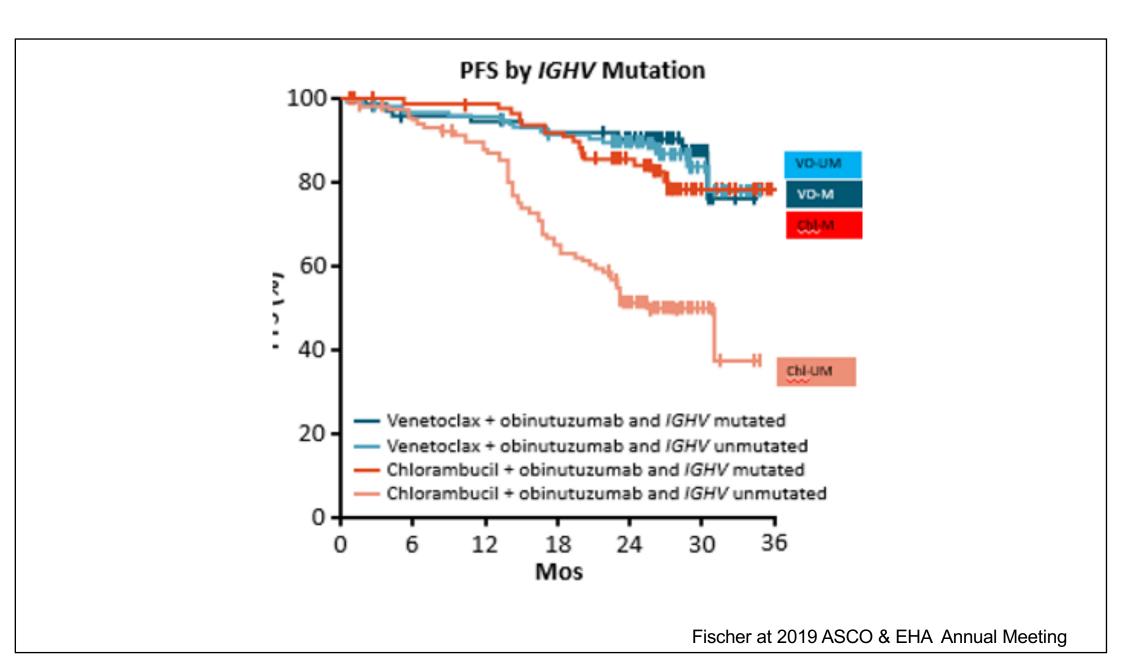


Moreno et al. iWCLL 2019;

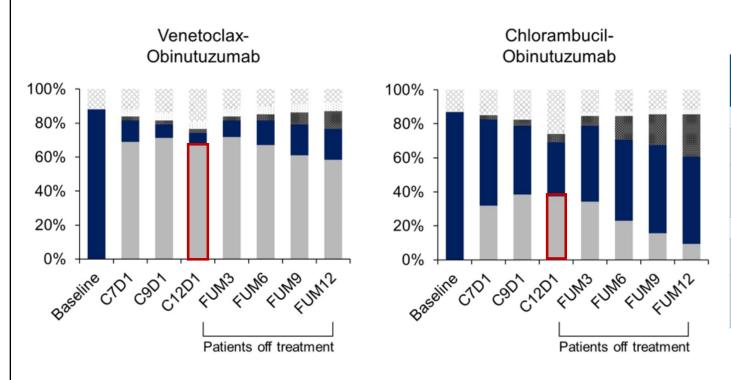
## Obinutuzumab and Venetoclax vs Obinutuzumab and Chlorambucil in TN Patients With CLL and Coexisting Medical Conditions (CLL14 trial)



Fischer at 2019 ASCO & EHA Annual Meeting



### CLL 14 trial: MRD RATES



MRD Status,* %	Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab (n = 216)	Chlorambucil + Obinutuzumab (n = 216)	P Value		
Peripheral blood					
<ul> <li>Negative</li> <li>(&lt; 10<sup>-4</sup>)</li> </ul>	76	35	< .001		
■ Negative (< 10 <sup>-4</sup> ) in CR	42	14	< .001		
Bone marrow					
■ Negative (< 10 <sup>-4</sup> )	57	17	<.001		
■ Negative (< 10 <sup>-4</sup> ) in CR	34	11	< .001		

■ MRD Negative (<10<sup>-4</sup>) ■ MRD Assay Positive ■ PD/Death ■ Withdrawn ≅ Missing

## Front-line therapy: CIT vs NAs

CIT

NAs

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CHLORAMBUCIL+
OBINUTUZUMAB

IBRUTINIB (RESONATE- RESONATE-2)

IBUTINIB+ OBINUTUZUMAB(ILLUMINATE TRIAL)

VENETOCLAX+ OBINUTUZUMAB (CLL14)

**OLDER/FIT** 

BENDAMUSTINE+ RITUXIMAB IBRUTINIB/IBRUTINIB+RITUXIMAB

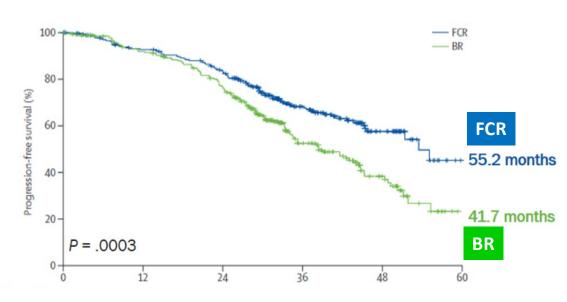
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FCR

**IBRUTINIB** 

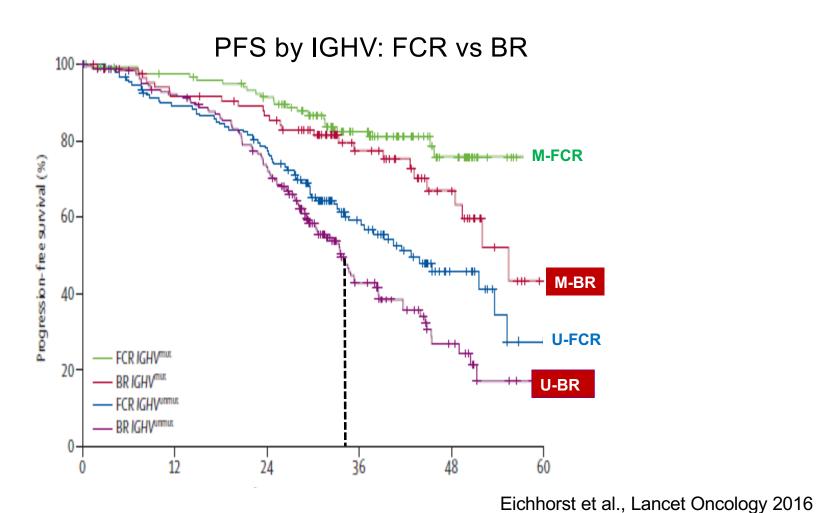
## German CLL10 Study: FCR vs BR





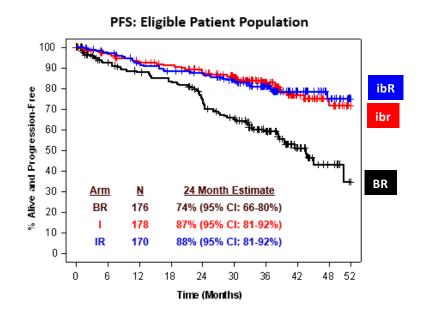
Eichhorst et al., Lancet Oncology 2016

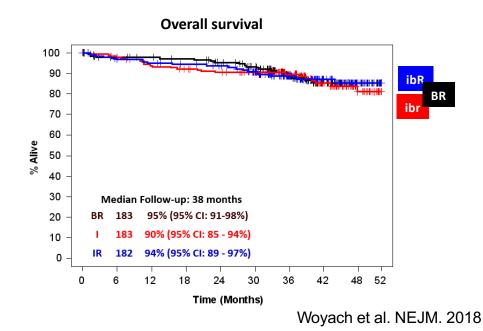
## PFS: FCR vs BR study (CLL10 trial)



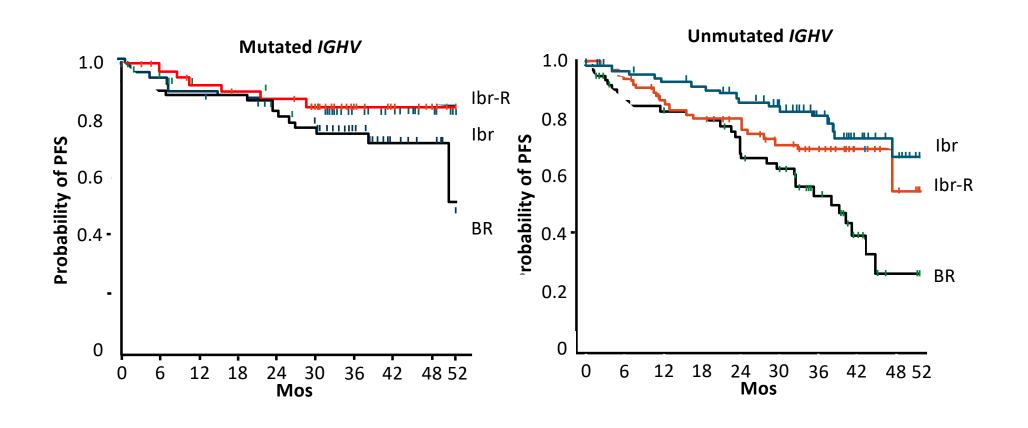
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Woyach et al. NEJM. 2018

### **Front-line CIT vs NAs**

CIT

NAs

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CHLORAMBUCIL+
OBINUTUZUMAB

IBRUTINIB (RESONATE- RESONATE-2)

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OLDER/FIT

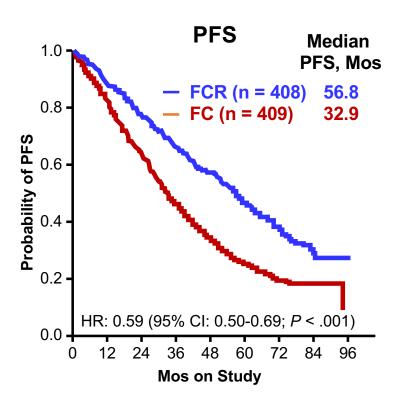
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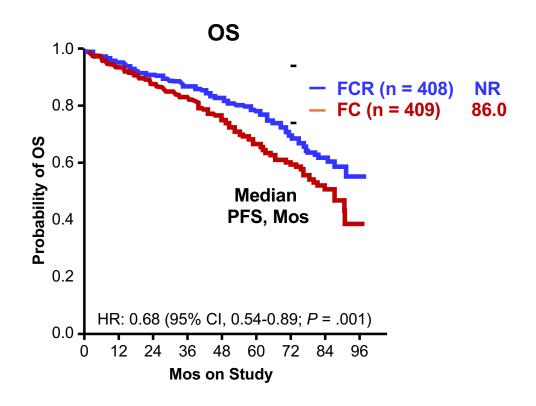
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**FCR** 

**IBRUTINIB** 

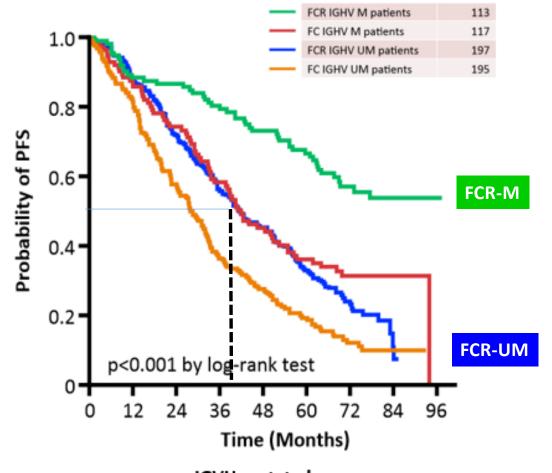
## CLL8: Efficacy of FC vs FCR in fit Pts With Active CLL





Fischer et al. Blood. 2016

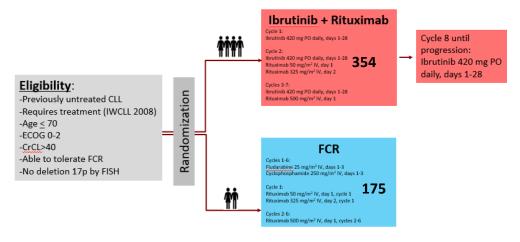
## PFS by IGHV after front-line FCR: FCR300 trial

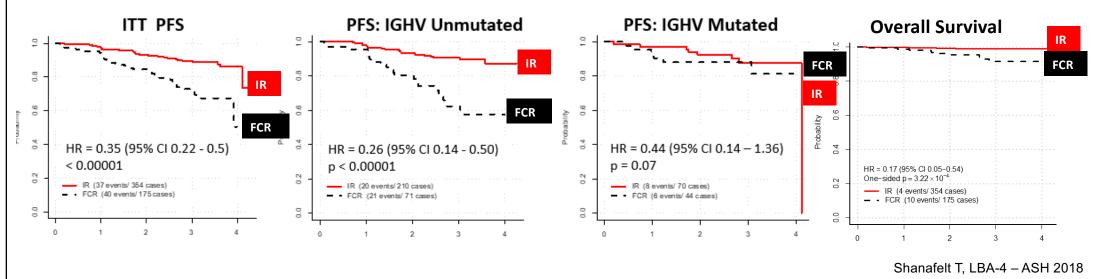


IGVH mutated
Prog-free @ 13 yrs=54%
curve plateaued beyond 10.4 yrs

Thomson et al., Blood 2015

# Ibrutinib+rituximab vs FCR in TN young CLL with no del 17p ECOG-E1912 trial





## Salvage therapy in R/R patients with CLL: CIT vs NAs

CIT

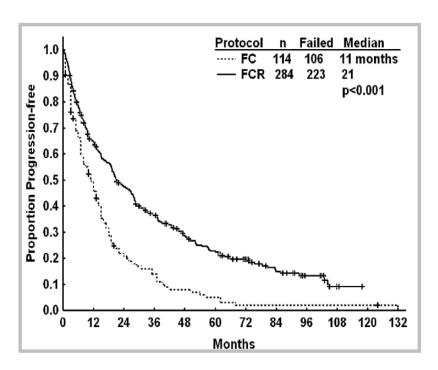
IBRUTINIB (RESONATE trial)

VENETOCLAX

VENETOCLAX+ RITUXIMAB

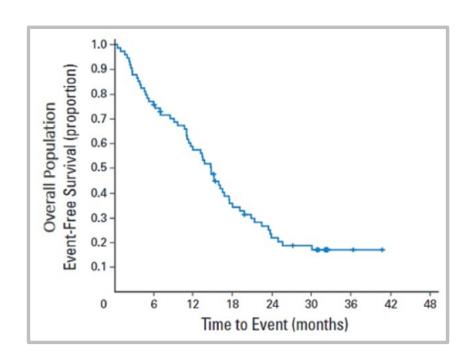
## Outcome of R/R patients treated with CIT

#### FCR (MDACC)



Median PFS= 21 months

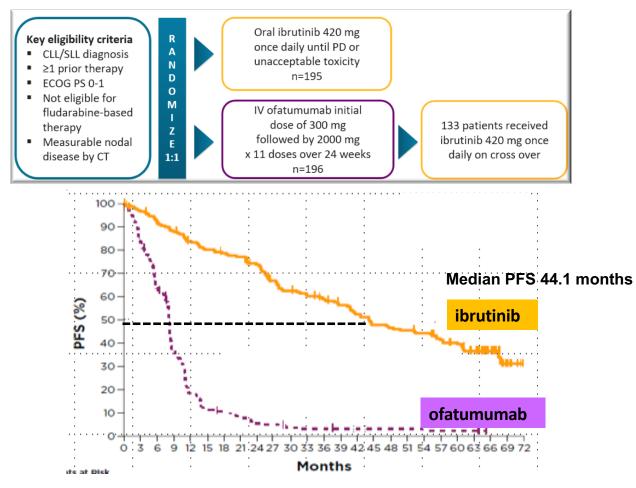
#### Bendamustine+Rituximab



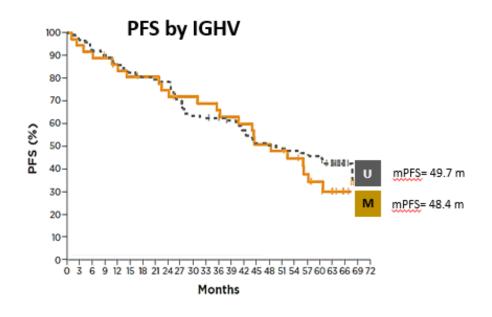
Median PFS= 15 months

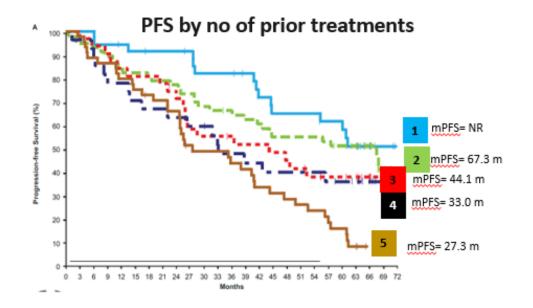
Badoux et al. 2011, Fischer et al. 2011, Robak et al. 2010

## Resonate Trial: ibrutinib vs ofatumumab in R/R patients with CLL: 6 years follow-up

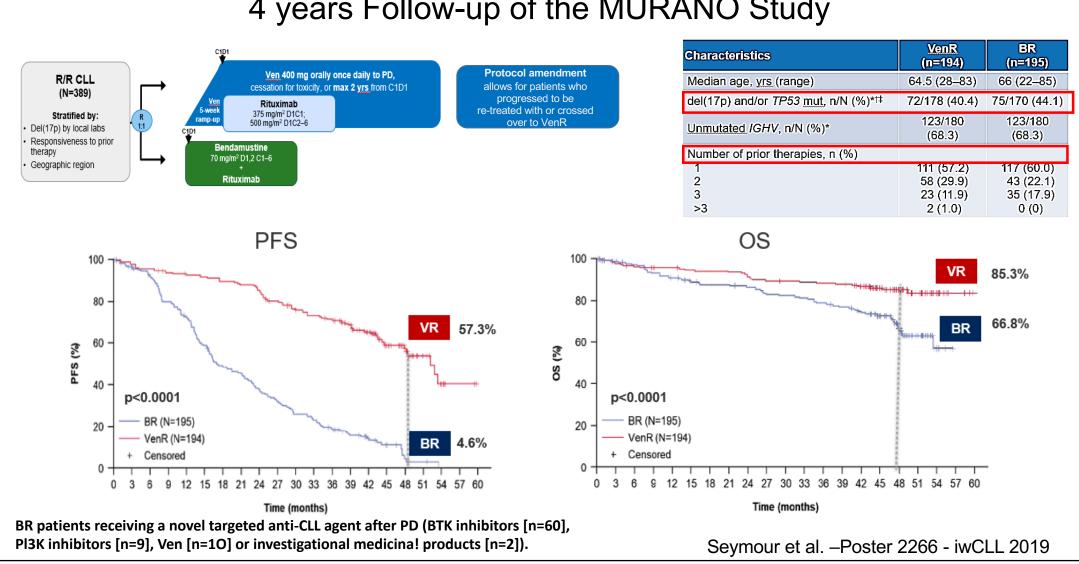


## Resonate Phase 3 Trial in R/R patients with CLL: 6 years follow-up

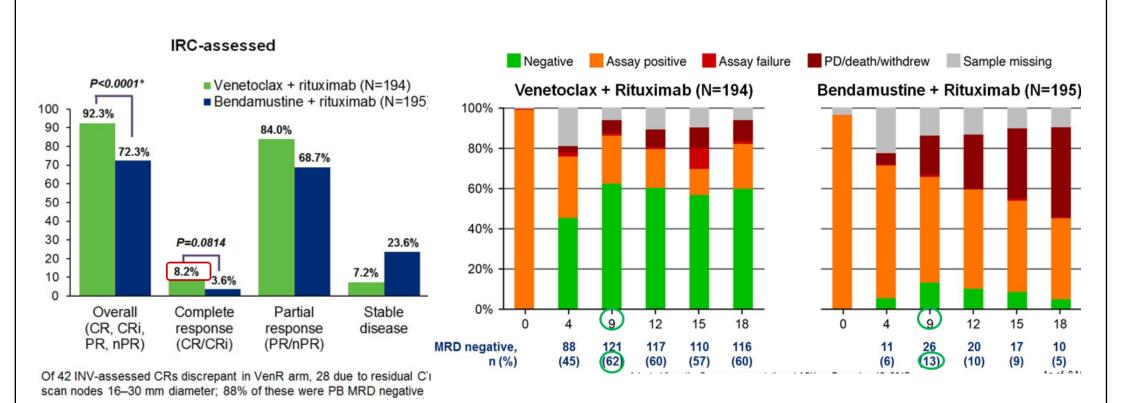




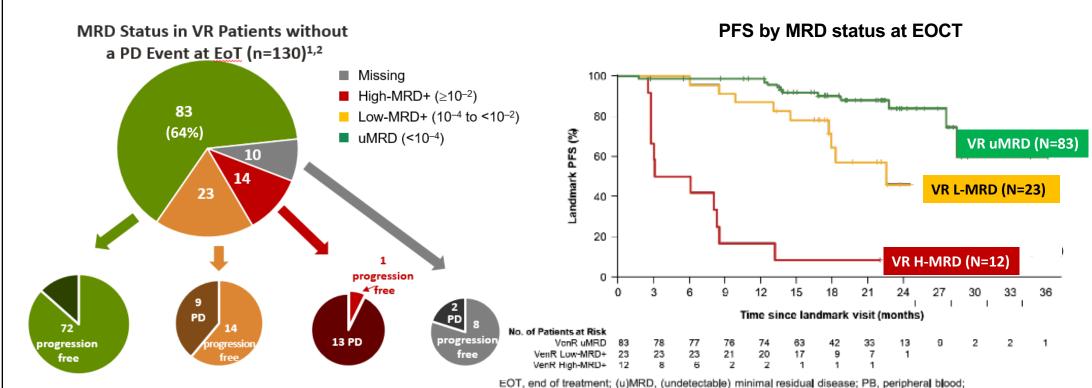
## Venetoclax-R vs BR in Patients With R/R CLL: 4 years Follow-up of the MURANO Study



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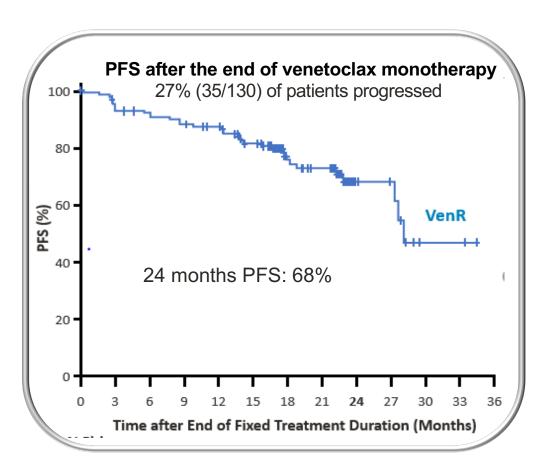
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PFS, progression-free survival; VenR, venetoclax-rituximab

1. Seymour JF, et al. iwCLL 2019; Abstract #2266; 2. Seymour JF, et al. iwCLL 2019; Poster #2266.

## Venetoclax-R vs BR in Patients With R/R CLL: 4 years Follow-up of the MURANO Study



Predictors of DP after venetoclax cessation

■MRD status ( p<0.0001)

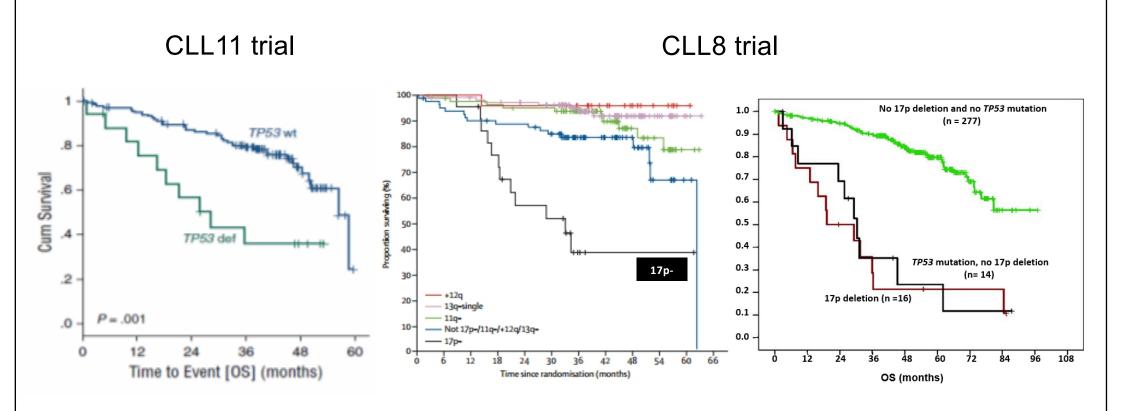
■Del(17p)/*TP*53 mutation

1. Kater AP, et al. J Clin Oncol 2019; **37:**269–277; 2. Seymour JF, et al. iwCLL 2019; Abstract #2266. Wu et al., iwCLL 2019

## CIT vs Nas in patients with TP53 disruptions

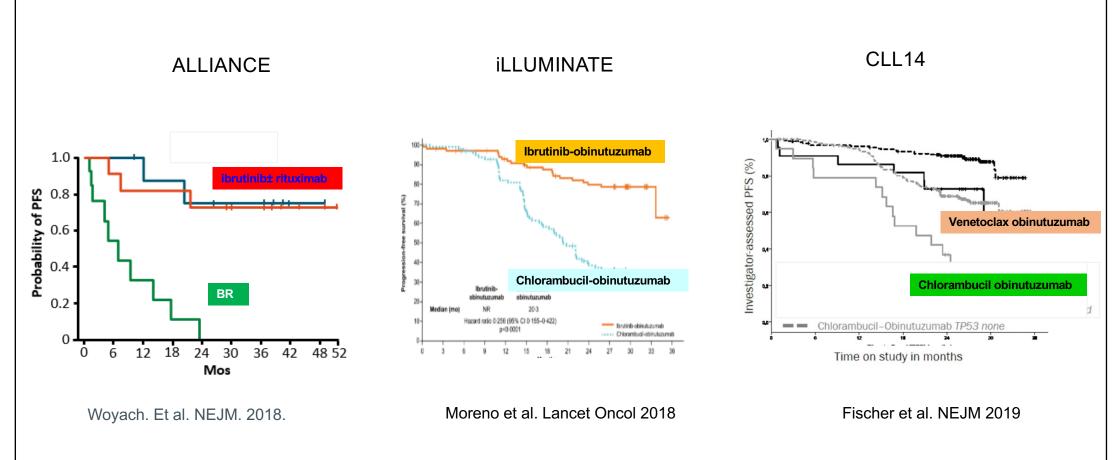
CIT NAs **IBRUTINIB (RESONATE) TREATMENT** IBUTINIB+ OBINUTUZUMAB(ILLUMINATE TRIAL) **CLL11 TRIAL NAIVE CLL8 TRIAL PATIENTS** VENETOCLAX+ OBINUTUZUMAB (CLL14) IBRUTINIB/IBRUTINIB+RITUXIMAB RELAPSED/ **FCR** REFRACTORY **VENETOCLAX +RITUXIMAB** BR **PATIENTS** 

Impact of TP53 aberrations on OS of patients with CLL treated front-line with CIT

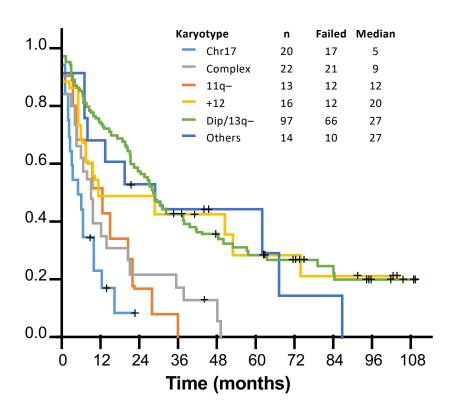


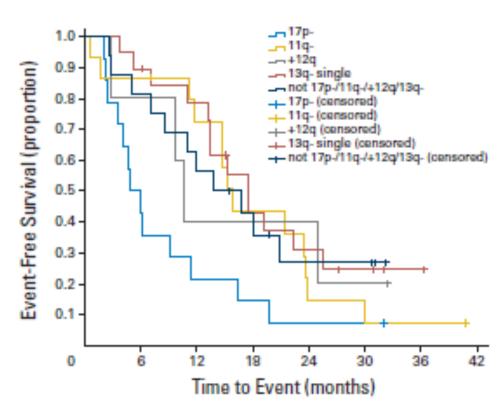
Herling et al., Blood 2016; Hallek et al., Lancet 2010; Stilgenbauer et al. Blood. 2014

## Outcomes of TN patients with TP53 aberrations treated front-line with NAs



## CIT in R/R patients with del17p





FCR: Median PFS= 5 months

**BR: Median EFS= 6.8 months** 

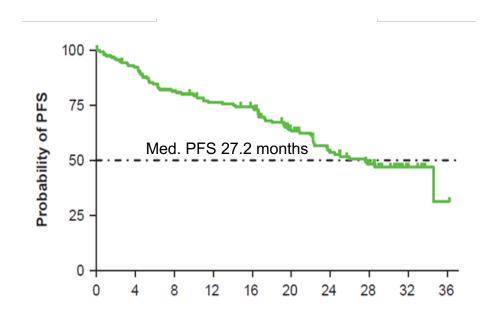
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### Outcomes of R/R patients with TP53 aberrations treated with NAs

#### ibrutinib

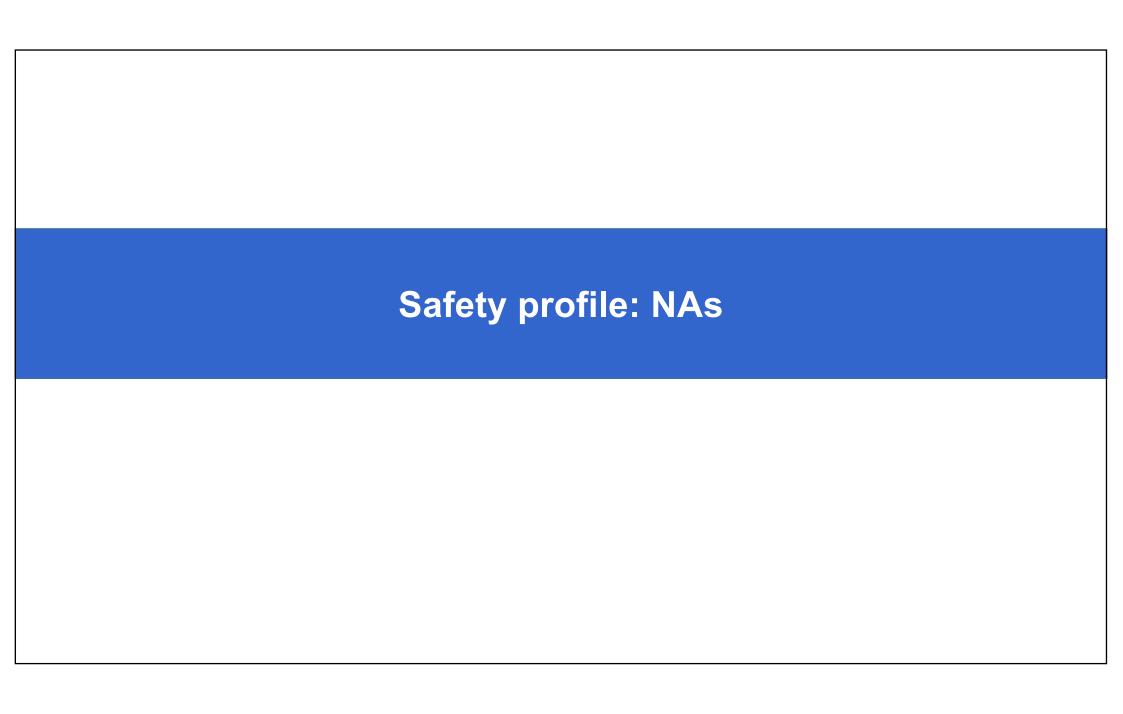
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#### venetoclax



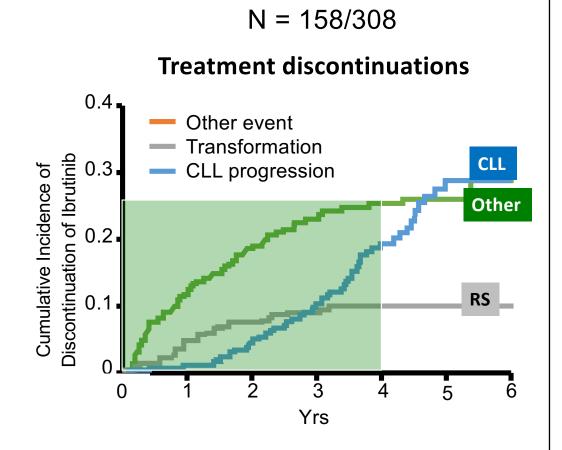
Jones et al. BJH 2018

Stilgenbauer et al., iwCLL 2017, abstract 420



## Outcome of 308 patients treated with ibrutinib at the Ohio State University

Cumulative Incidence Estimates, % (95% CI)	At 2 Yrs	At 3 Yrs	At 4 Yrs
CLL progression	5.0	10.8	19.1
	(2.5-7.5)	(7.1-14.4)	(13.9-24.3)
Transformation	7.3	9.1	9.6
	(4.3-10.2)	(5.8-12.4)	(6.2-13.0)
Other events	18.7 (14.3-23.1)	23.9 (19.0- 28.8)	25.0 (20.0-30.1)



Woyach, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2017

## CIT and NAs: expected adverse events

CIT	Ibrutinib	Idelalisib	Venetoclax
Granulocytopenia	Bleeding risk	Transaminitis	TLS
Thrombocytopenia	Atrial fibrillation	Colitis	Granulocytopenia
Infections	Hypertension	Pneumonitis	
MDS	Myalgias	Infections	

## Treatment choice in CLL patients: decision making process

#### **CLL** biology

**IGHV** 

Del17p/TP53 mutation

#### **Patient characteristics**

Age

**Fitness** 

Co-morbidities

Co-treatment

Patient preferences

#### **Treatment options**

Treatment toxicity

Interaction with co-treatment Individual risk of treatment discontinuation

**CLL-related life expectancy** 

**Normal life expectancy** 

Goal of treatment

**Disease control** 

Deep response with treatment discontinuation

### Conclusions

Chemo-free treatment is eclipsing chemoimmunotherapy in R/R and TN patients with CLL:

- no role of CIT in patients with TP53 disruption
- no/very limited role of CIT in R/R patients
- chemo-free treatment more effective in IGHV unmutated patients

The optimal treatment choice of CLL patients should consider:

- the biologic profile of CLL
- the clinical characteristics of patients
- the treatment goal