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Predictive biomarkers

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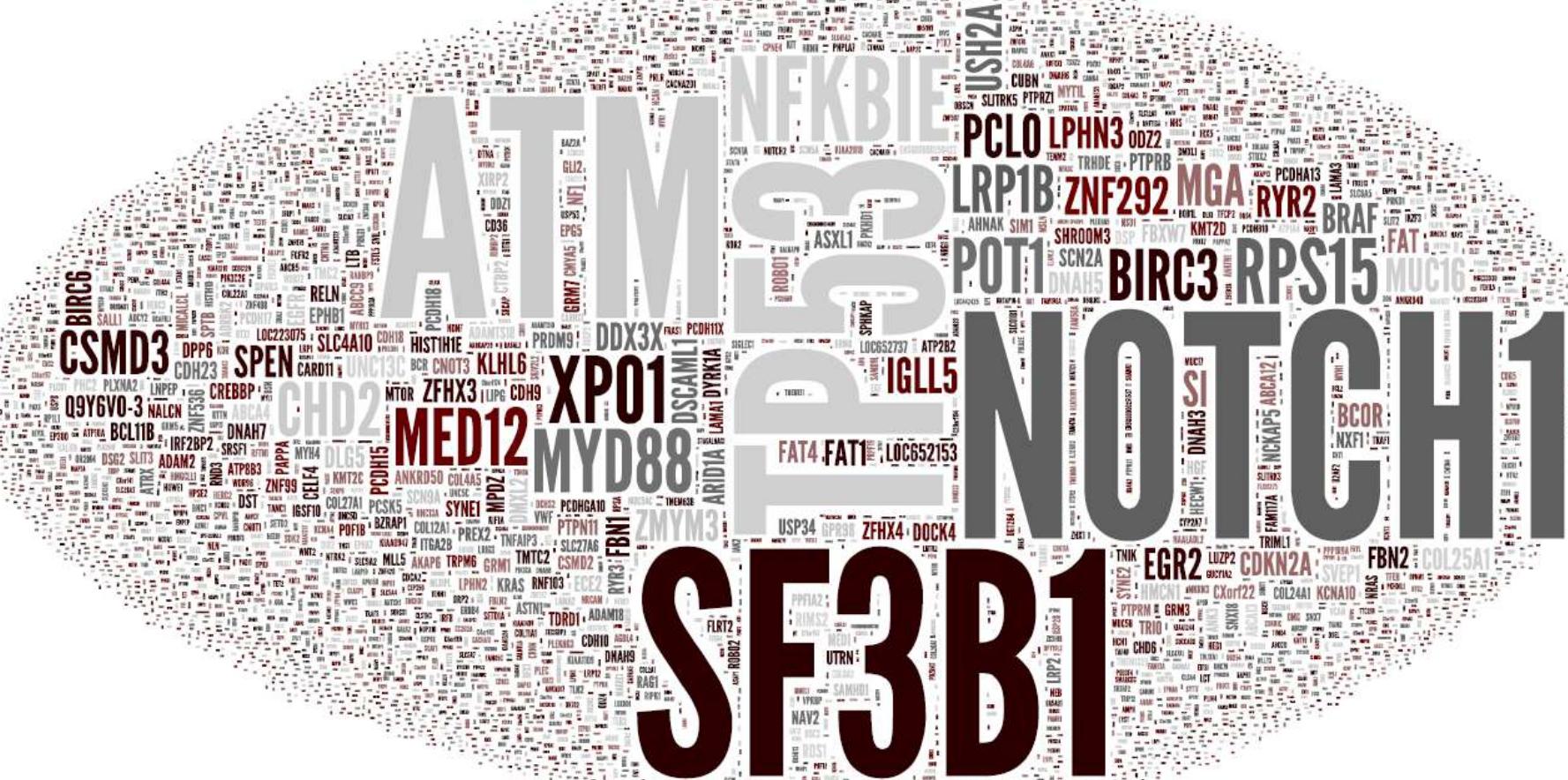
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- Pts with lymphocytosis
- Newly presented pts
- In need of treatment pts

Establishing diagnosis

Diagnostic test	General practice
Tests to establish the diagnosis	
CBC and differential count	Always
Immunophenotyping of peripheral blood lymphocytes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A panel of CD19, CD5, CD20, CD23, kappa and lambda is usually adequate to establish the diagnosis• Borderline cases: CD43, CD79b, CD81, CD200, CD10, or ROR1 may help refine the diagnosis	Always

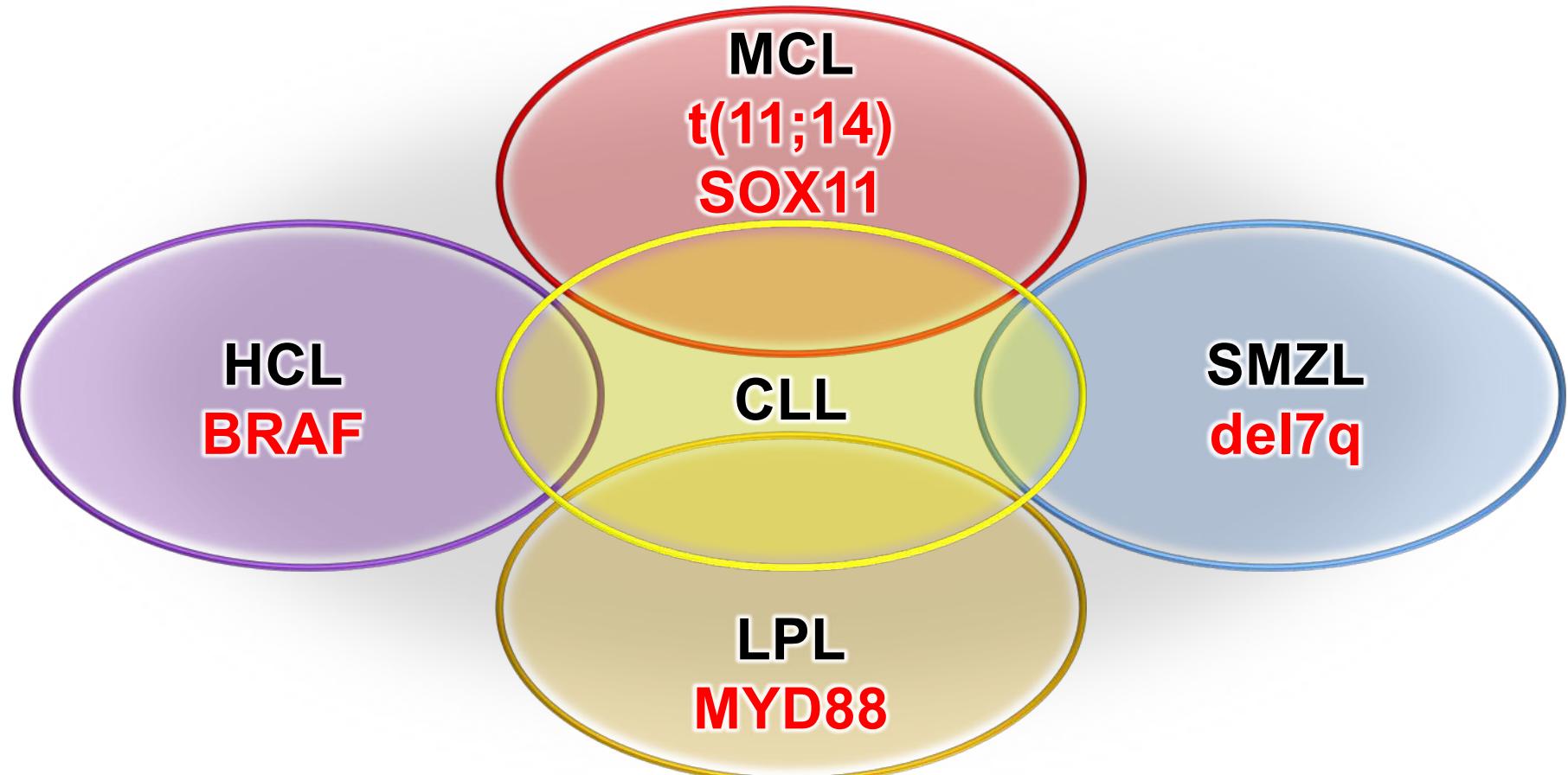
The mutational landscape of CLL



The wordcloud shows the genes that are reported as mutated in CLL by the v77 of the Catalogue of Somatic Mutations in Cancer (COSMIC). The size of the font is proportional to the mutation frequency

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Puente, et al. Nature 2011
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Lamdau et al. Nature 2015
Puente et al. Nature 2015

Differentiating CLL from mimicking B-cell lymphoproliferative diseases



CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukaemia; **HCL**, hairy cell leukaemia; **LPL**, lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma; **MCL**, mantle cell lymphoma; **SMZL**, splenic marginal zone lymphoma.
Swerdlow SH, et al. WHO classification of tumours of haematopoietic and lymphoid tissues. In: World Health Organization Classification of Tumours. Lyon, France: IARC. 2017;
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Patients ask advice on...

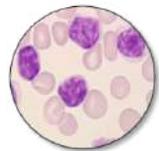


Life expectancy

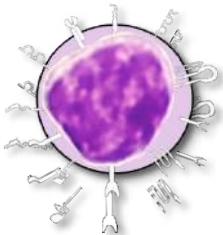
Biomarker: variable that associates with disease outcome



Host Factors: *Age, sex, etc*

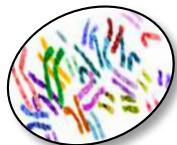


Disease Markers: *Stage, lymphocyte count, LDT, etc*

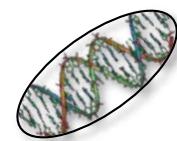


Ag expression: *CD38, Zap70, CD49d, etc*

Serology: *$\beta2M$, TK, LDH, sCD23, etc*



Genetics: *del17p, TP53 mutation, del11q22, del13q14, trisomy 12, NOTCH1 mutation, SFRB1 mutation, etc*

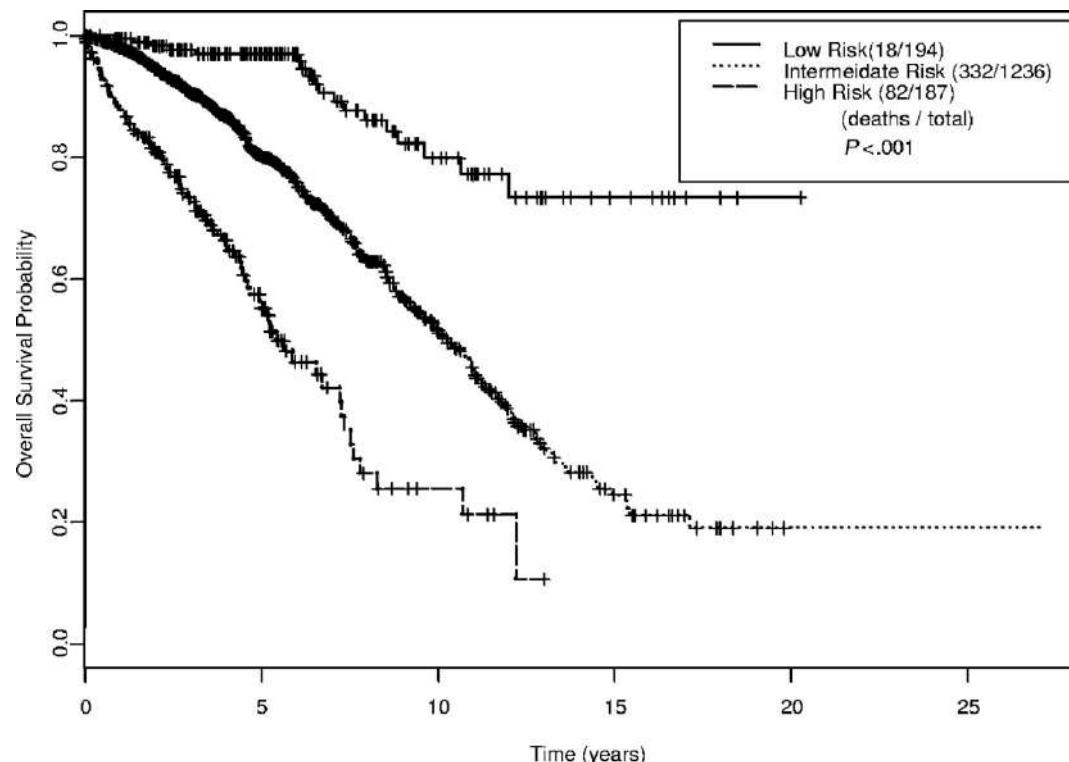


Biology Markers: *IGVH-sequence, BCR-structure*

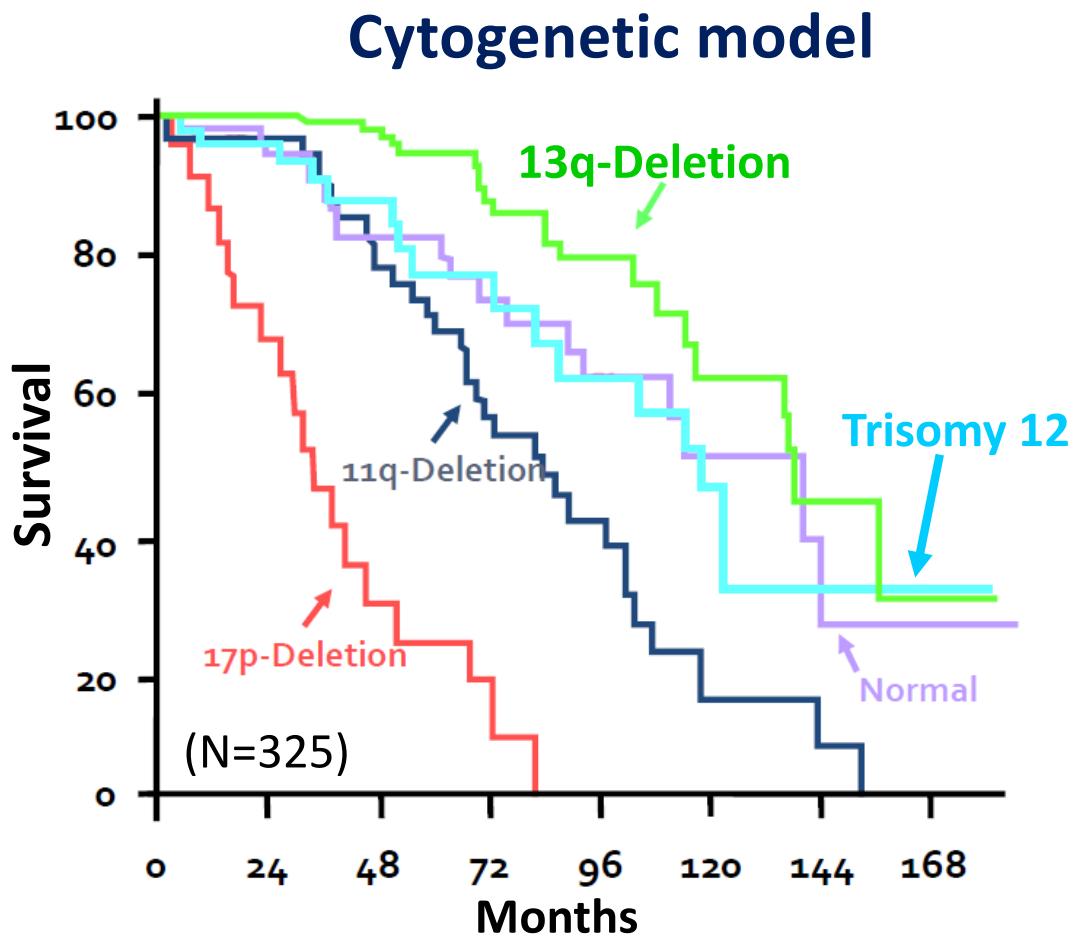
MDACC score

Biomarker	Score
Age	
<50 years	1
50-65 years	2
>65 years	3
Sex	
Male	0
Female	1
Rai stage	
0-II	0
III-IV	1
Involved nodal areas	
<3	0
3	1
Lymphocyte count	
<20x10 ⁹ /L	0
20-50x10 ⁹ /L	1
>50x10 ⁹ /L	2
β 2-microglobulin	
<ULN	0
1-2xULN	1
>2xULN	2

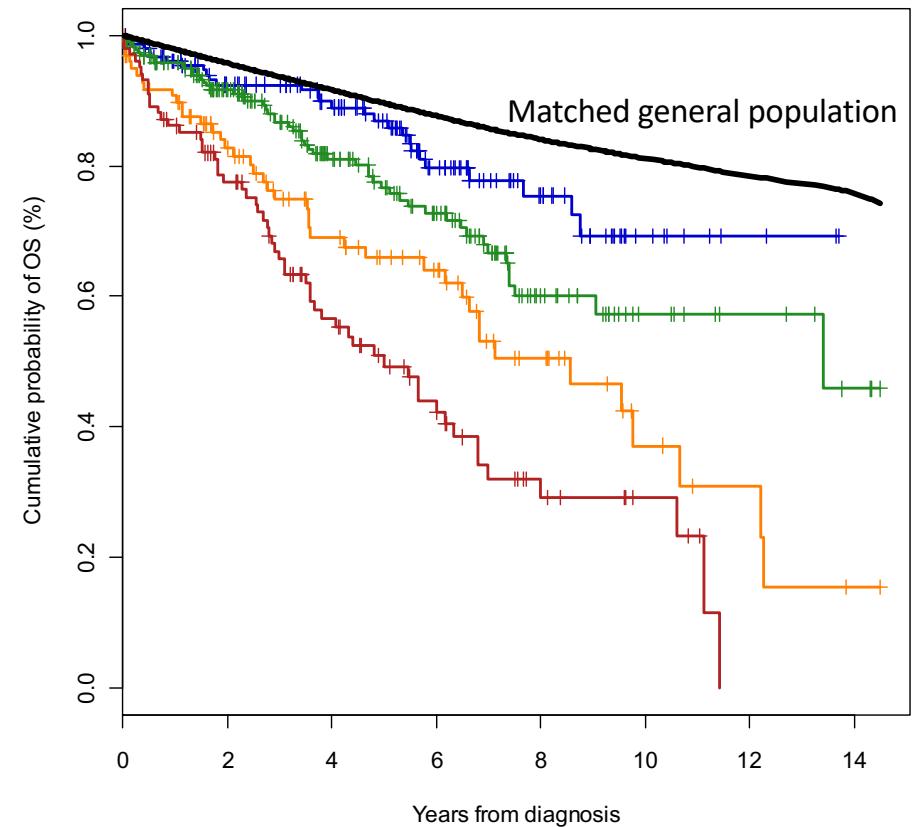
Risk group	Score	5-year survival
Low-risk	1-3	97%
Intermediate-risk	4-7	80%
High-risk	>7	55%



Patient counseling on survival: genetic-based models



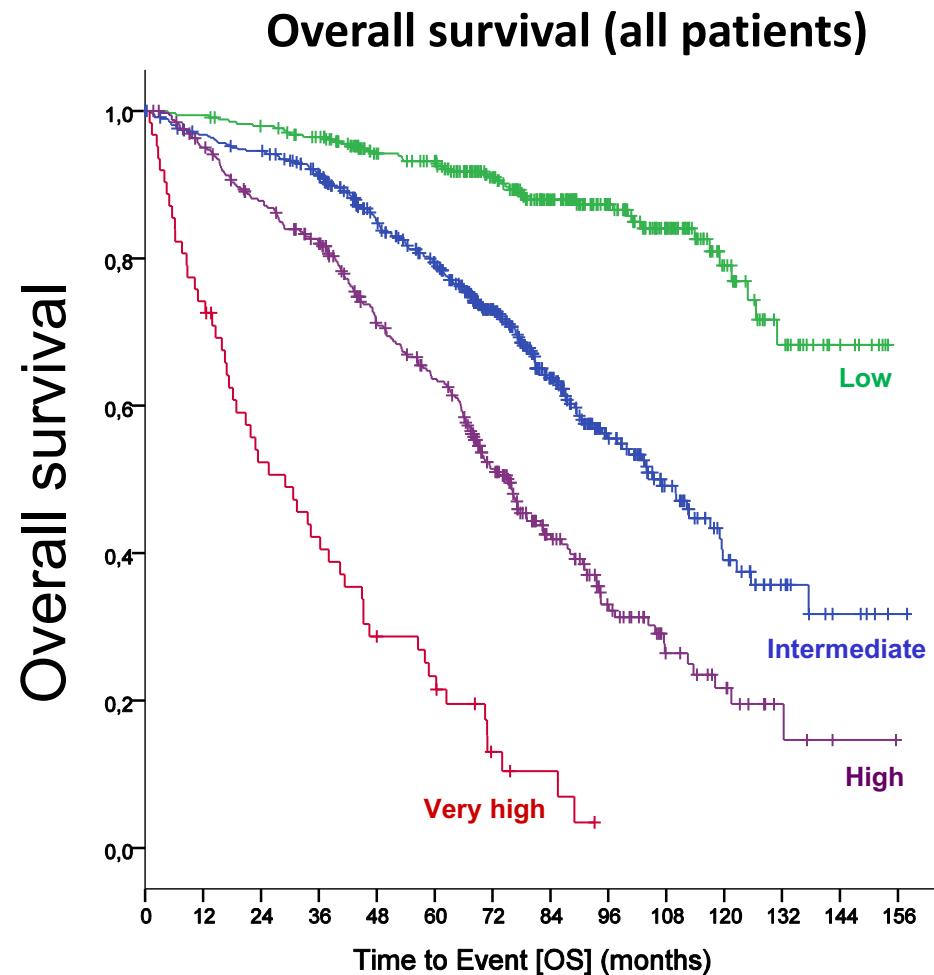
Cytogenetic-mutational model



	N	10-year OS
del13q	26%	69%
Normal/+12	40%	57%
NOTCH1 M/SF3B1 M/del11q	17%	37%
TP53 DIS/BIRC3 DIS	17%	29%

Variable	Adverse factor	Coeff.	HR	Grading
<i>TP53</i> (17p)	deleted and/or mutated	1.442	4.2	4
<i>IGHV</i> status	Unmutated	0.941	2.6	2
B2M, mg/L	> 3.5	0.665	2.0	2
Clinical stage	Binet B/C <u>or</u> Rai I-IV	0.499	1.6	1
Age	> 65 years	0.555	1.7	1
Prognostic Score		0 – 10		

Risk group	Score	Patients	5-year OS, %
Low	0 – 1	340 (29)	93.2
Intermediate	2 – 3	464 (39)	79.4
High	4 – 6	326 (27)	63.6
Very High	7 – 10	62 (5)	23.3



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Treatment indication

Clinical stage iwCLL criteria



Asymptomatic



W&W

Symptomatic



Treatment

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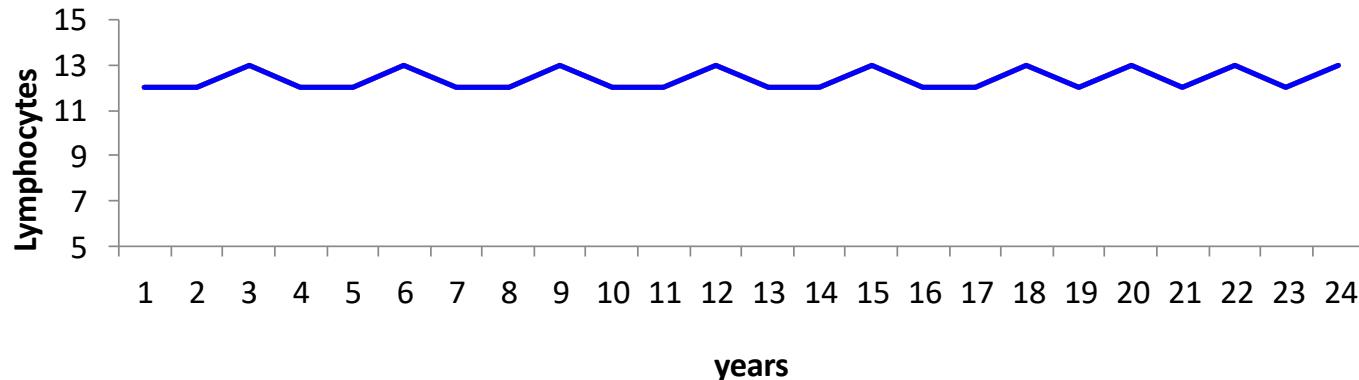


Probability of treatment need

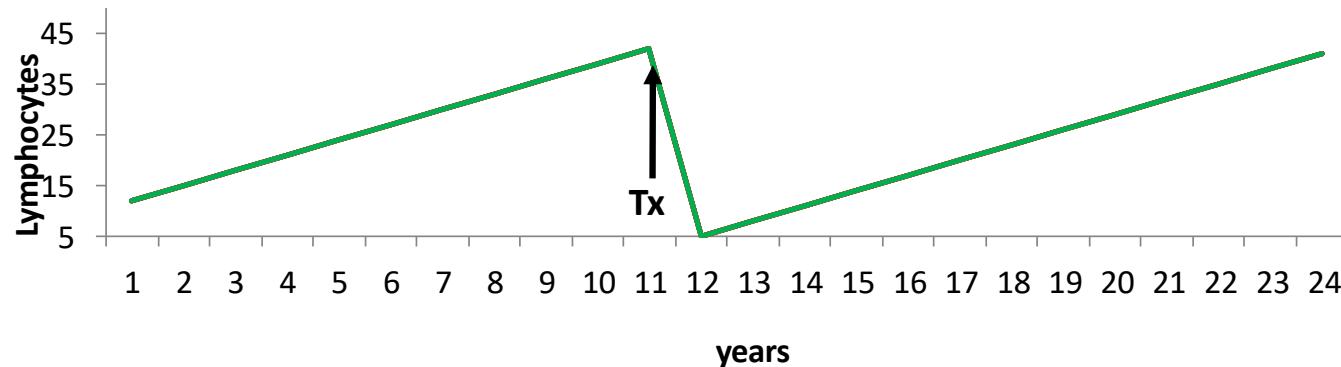
Binet A CLL: Homogeneous phenotype but heterogeneous clinical course



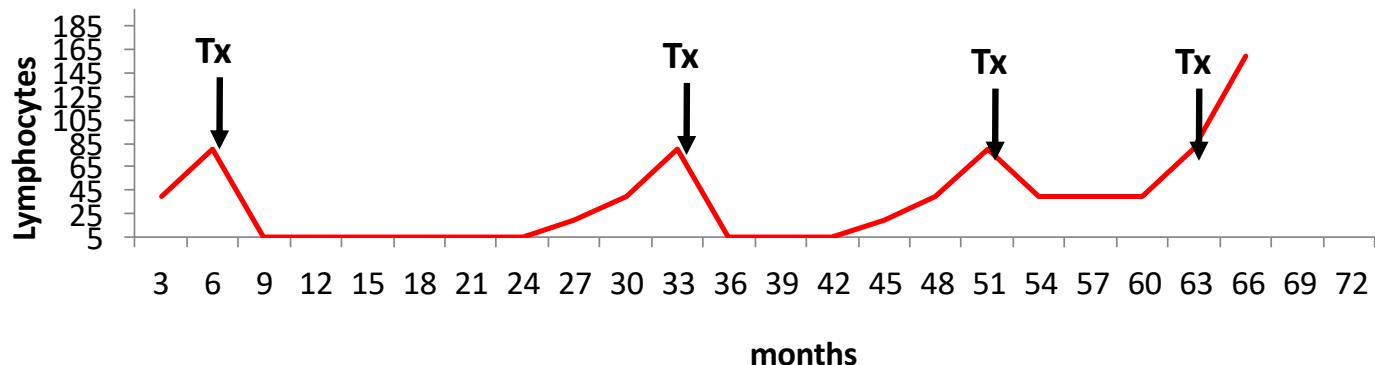
Highly
stable
1/3



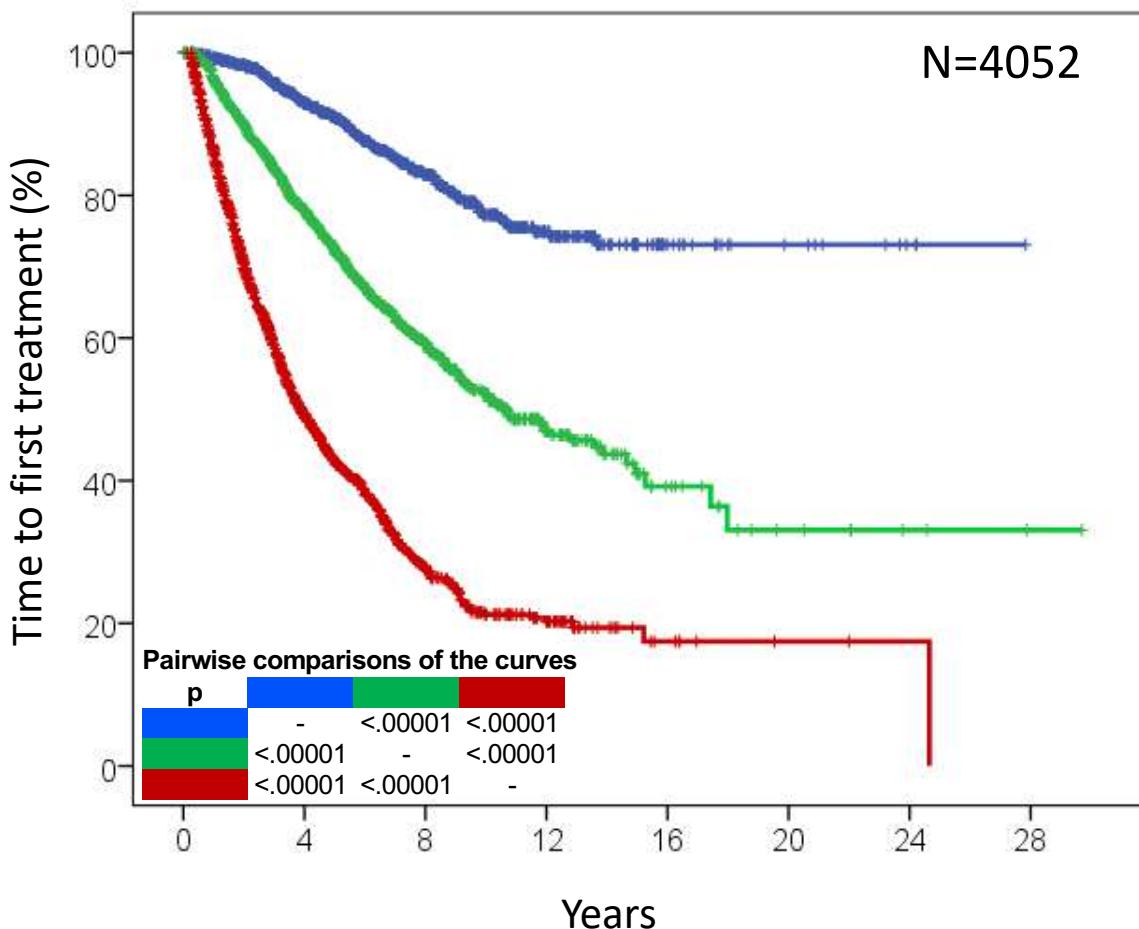
Slowly
progressive
1/3



Rapidly
progressive
1/3



Time to first therapy: IPS-E



Variable	Grading
IGHV unmutated	1
Lymphocytes $>15 \times 10^9/L$	1
Nodal involvement	1

Risk group	Score
Low risk	0
Intermediate risk	1
High risk	2-3

	Cumulative incidence of treatment	
	1 year	5 years
Low risk	<1%	8%
Intermediate risk	3%	28%
High risk	14%	61%

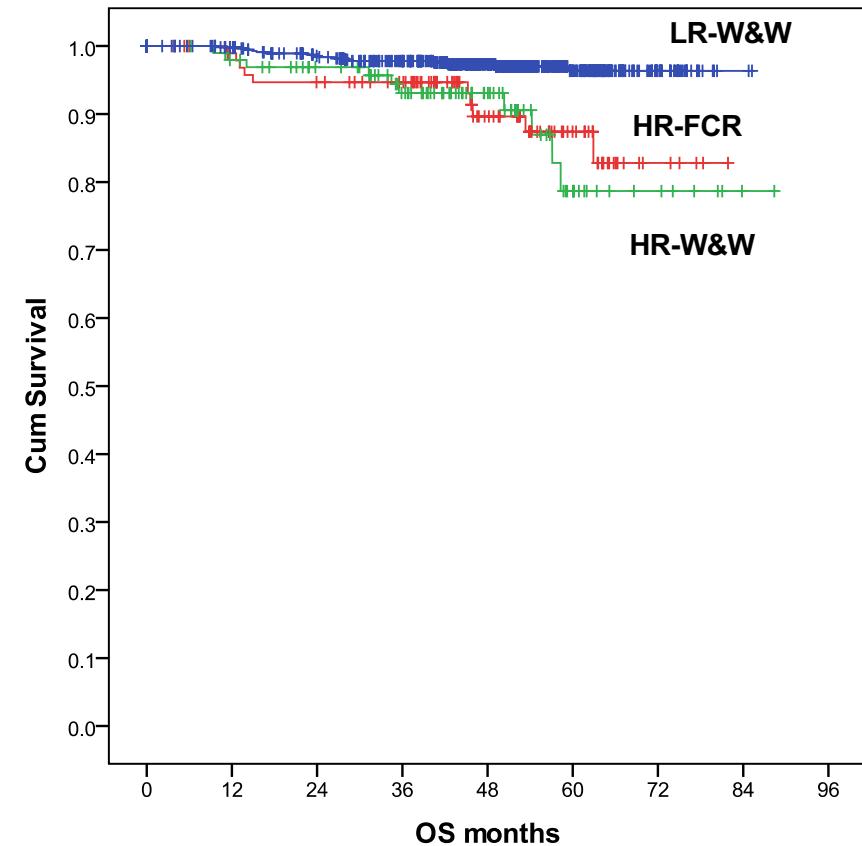
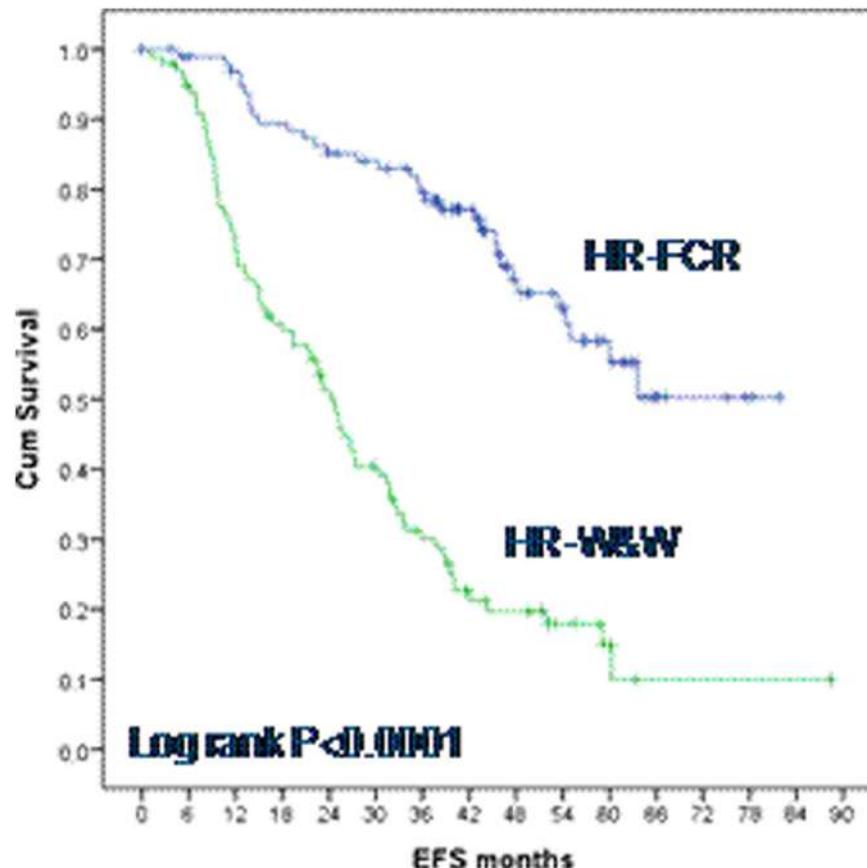
Early intervention with FCR in high risk Binet A CLL



CLL7: 800 patients

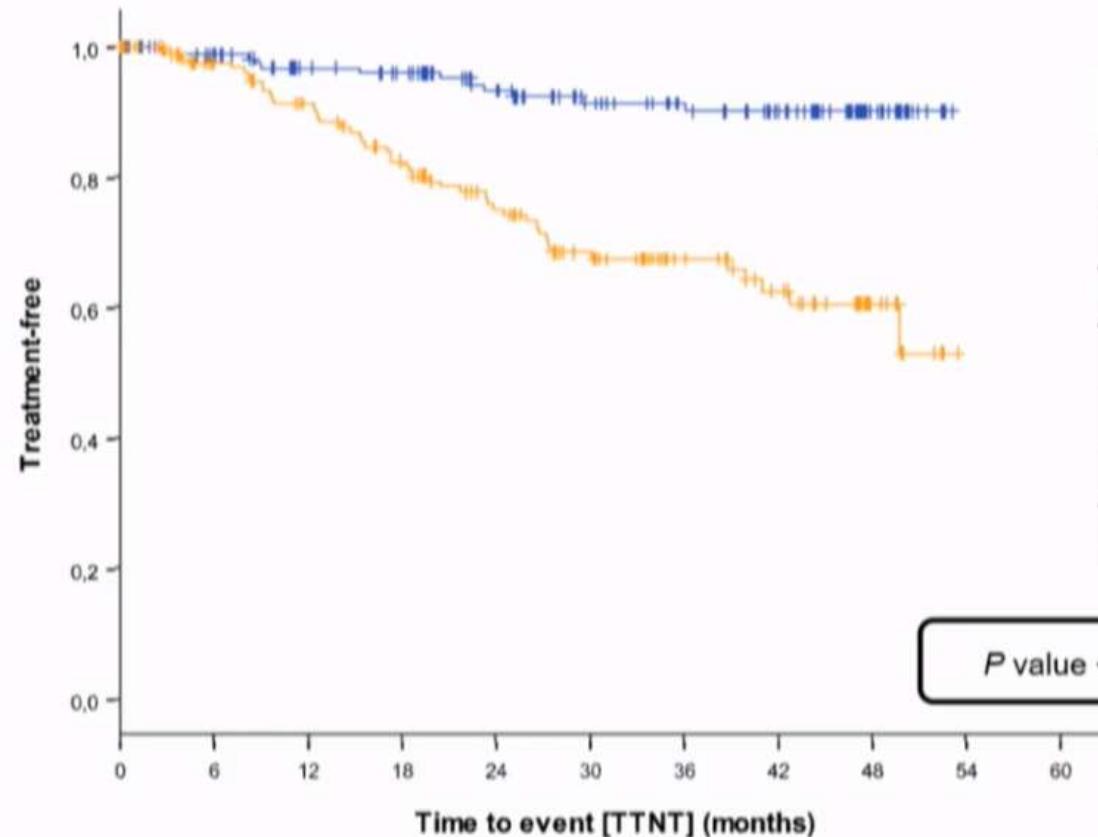
103 HR-CLL defined by genetics

- Gender
- Age
- ECOG performance status
- del(17p)
- del(11q),
- IGHV mutation status
- $\beta 2$ -microglobulin
- thymidine kinase



TIME TO NEXT TREATMENT

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STUDIENGRUPPE
CLL

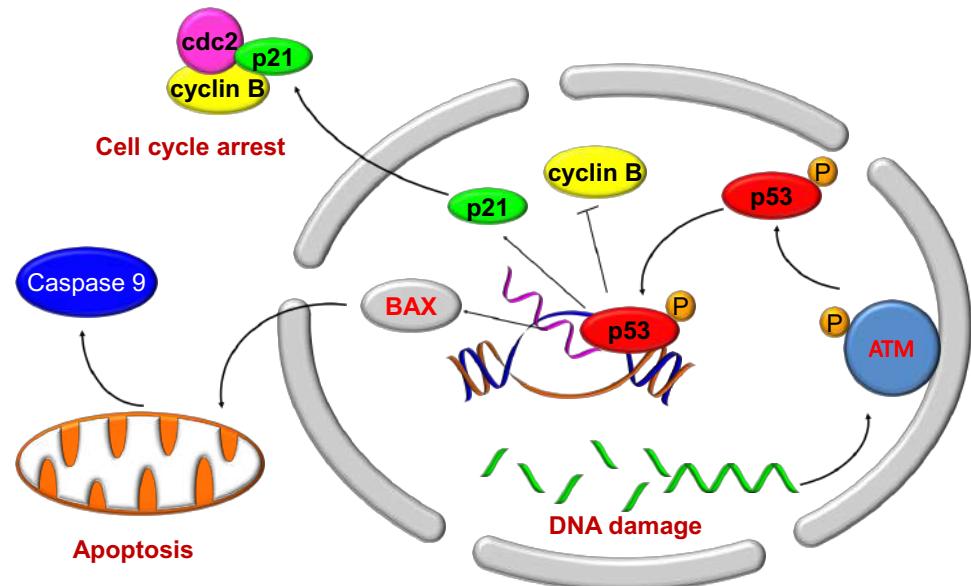
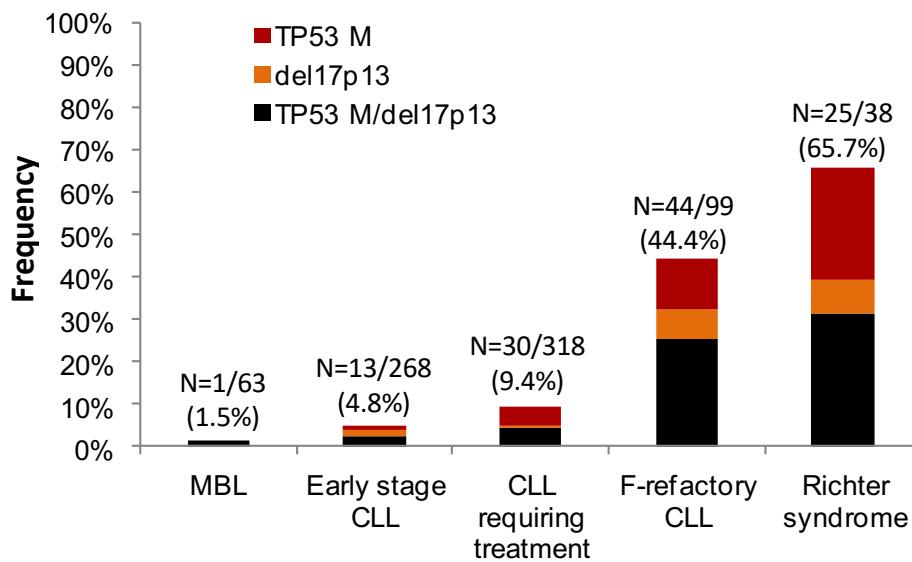
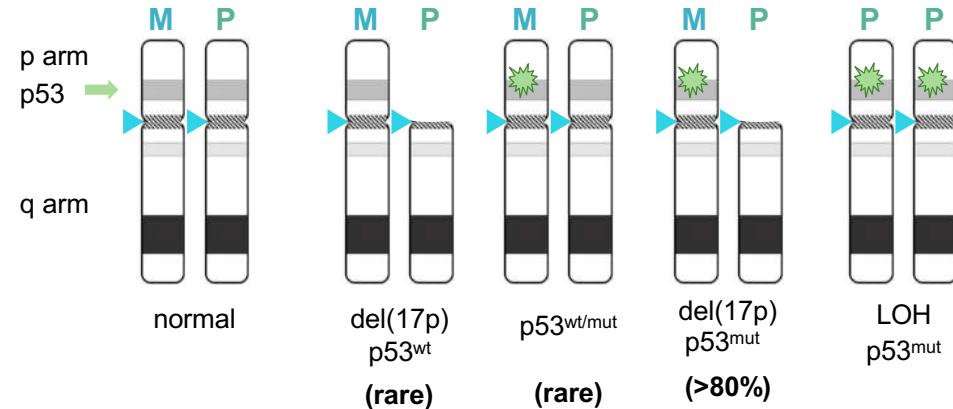
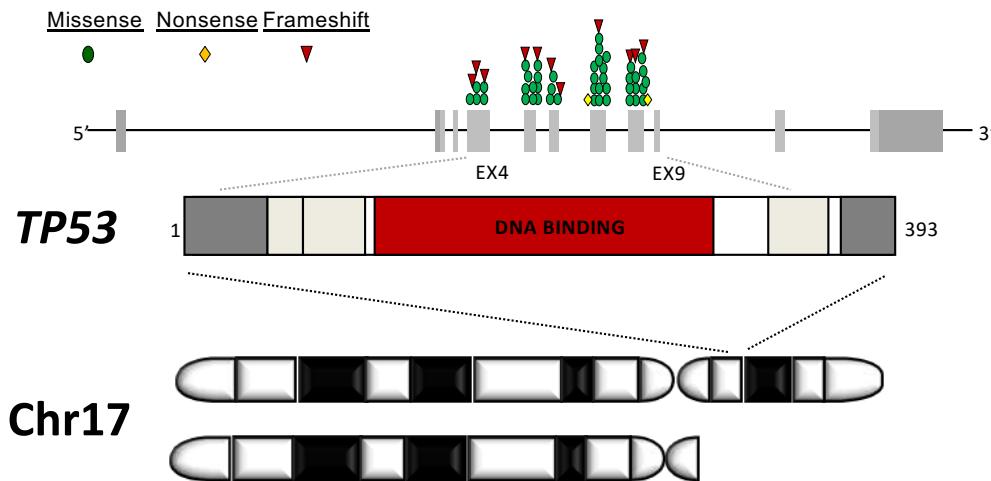


Subsequent treatment	Ibrutinib (n=15)	Placebo (n=57)
Chemoimmunotherapy	9	30
Chemotherapy	1	5
Anthracycline-based		2
Ibrutinib-based	3	13
Venetoclax-based		6
Idelalisib-based	2	
Missing		1

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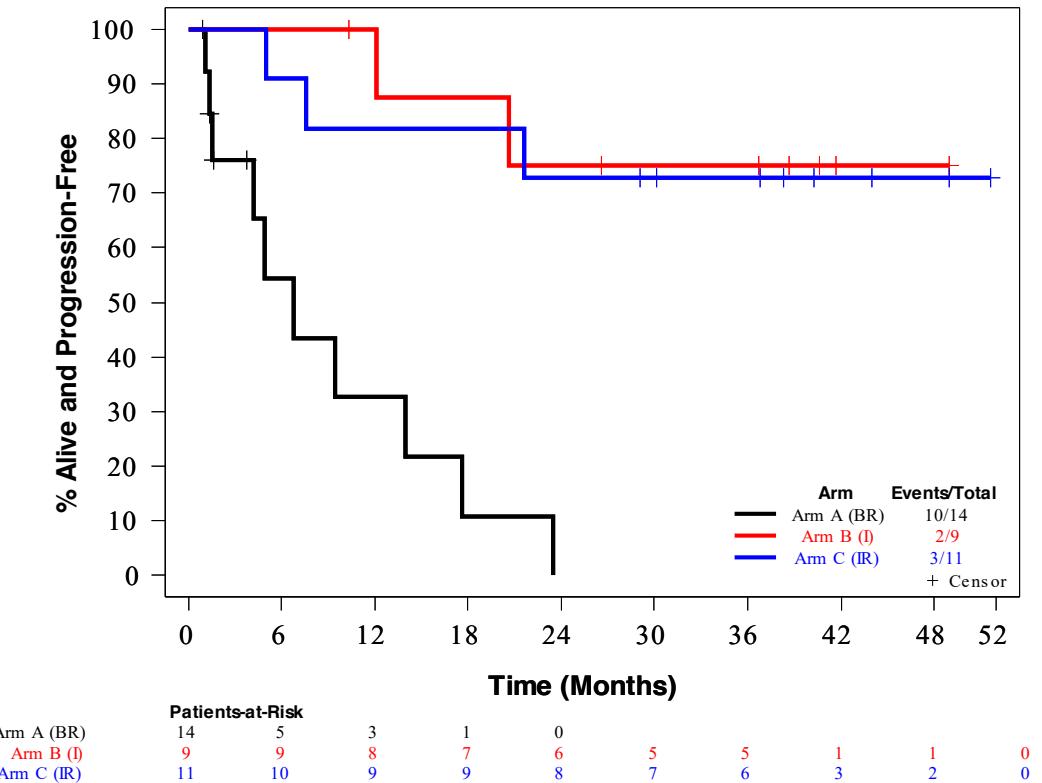
TP53 status

TP53 abnormalities in CLL



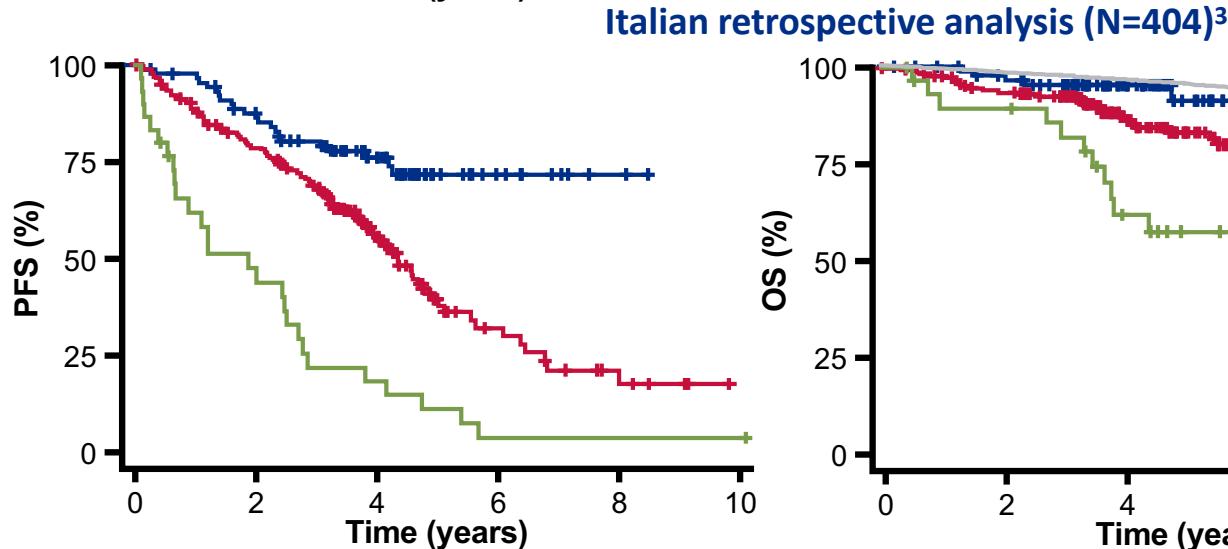
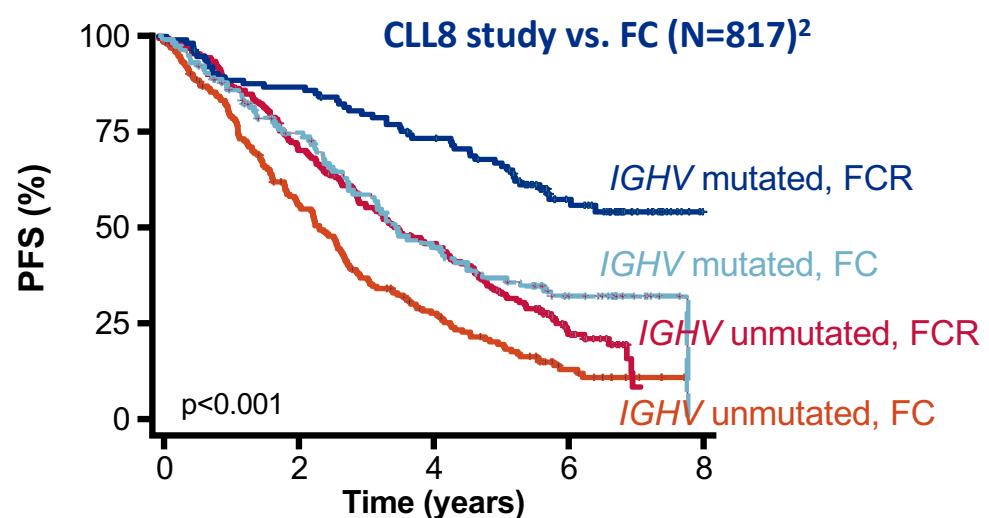
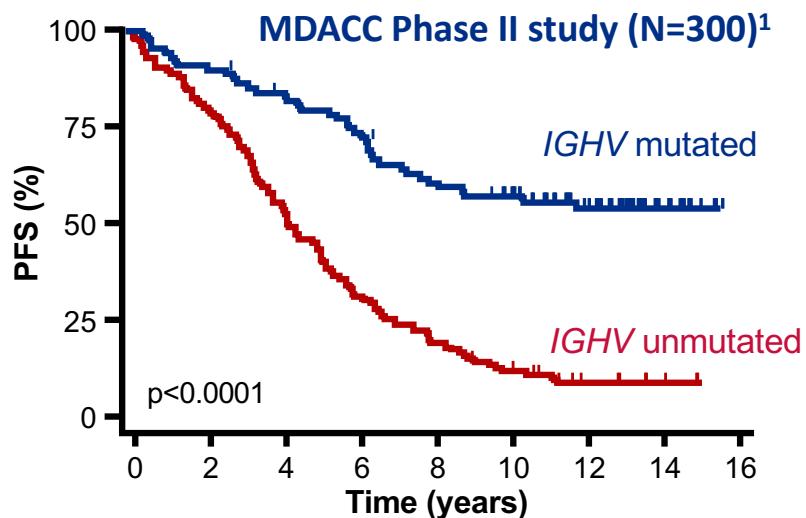
Patients with 17p deletion

17p deleted



IGHV status

Patients with *IGHV*-unmutated status and/or del11q and/or del17p do not benefit from chemoimmunotherapy



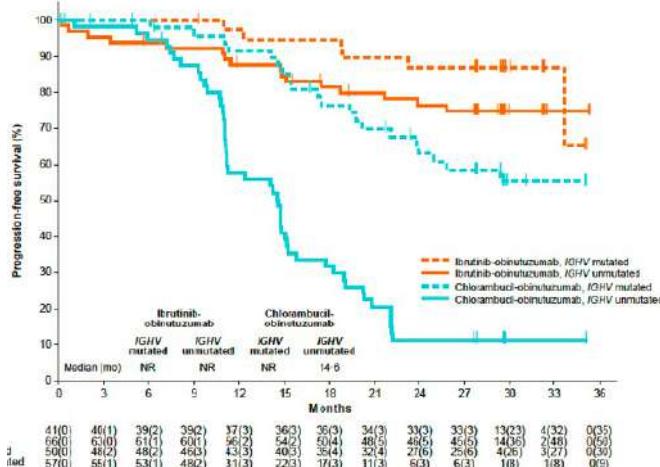
^a p-value vs. matched general population

FCR: fludarabine, cyclophosphamide, rituximab; MDACC: MD Anderson Cancer Center; OS: overall survival; PFS: progression-free survival

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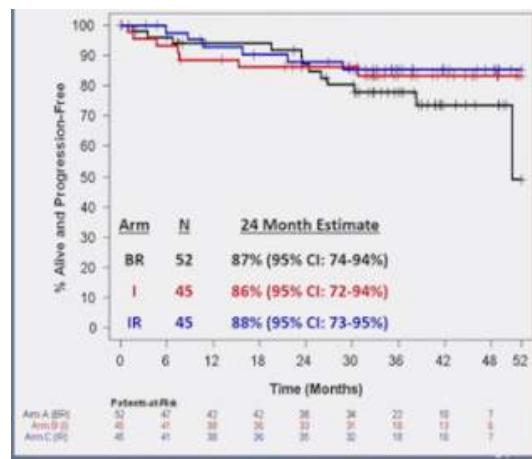
PFS in IGHV unmutated CLL

iLLUMINATE (Moreno #691)
Included high risk



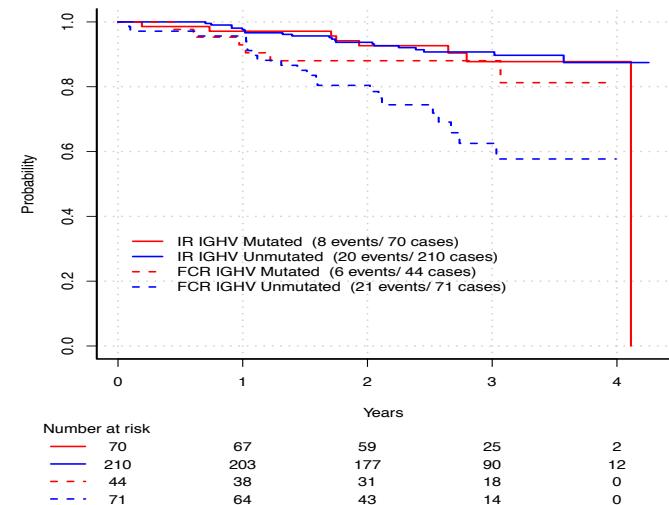
uIGHV: HR 0.15 (0.08 – 0.27)
mIGHV: HR 0.30 (0.12 – 0.75)

ALLIANCE (Woyach #6)
Included del(17)p



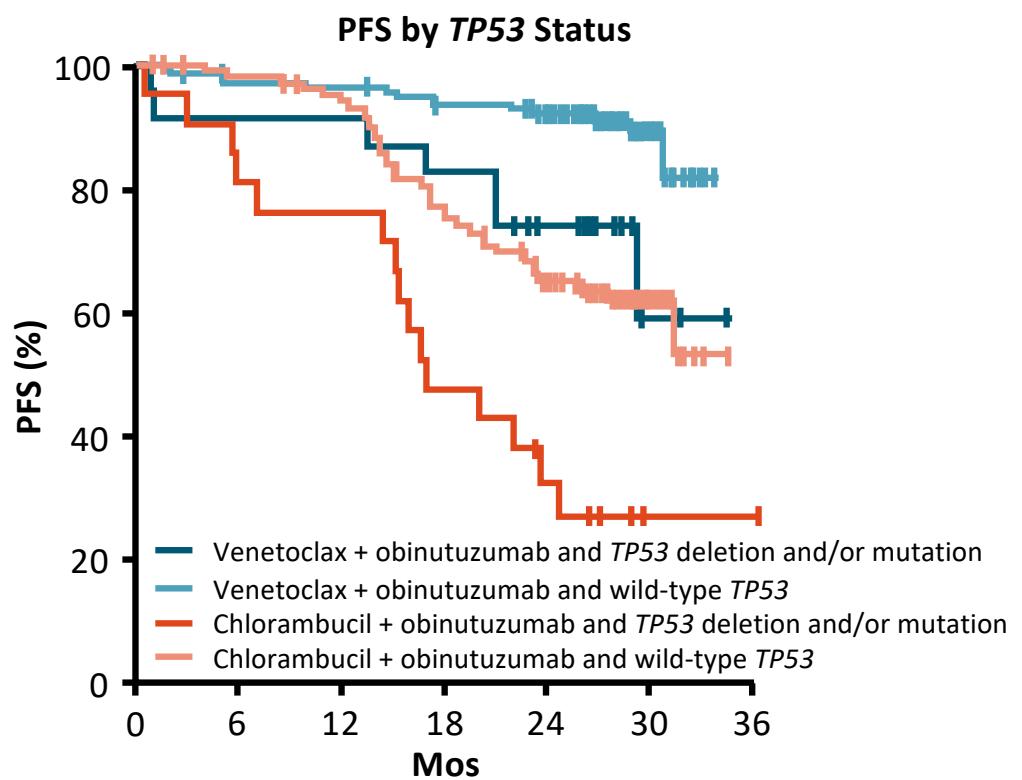
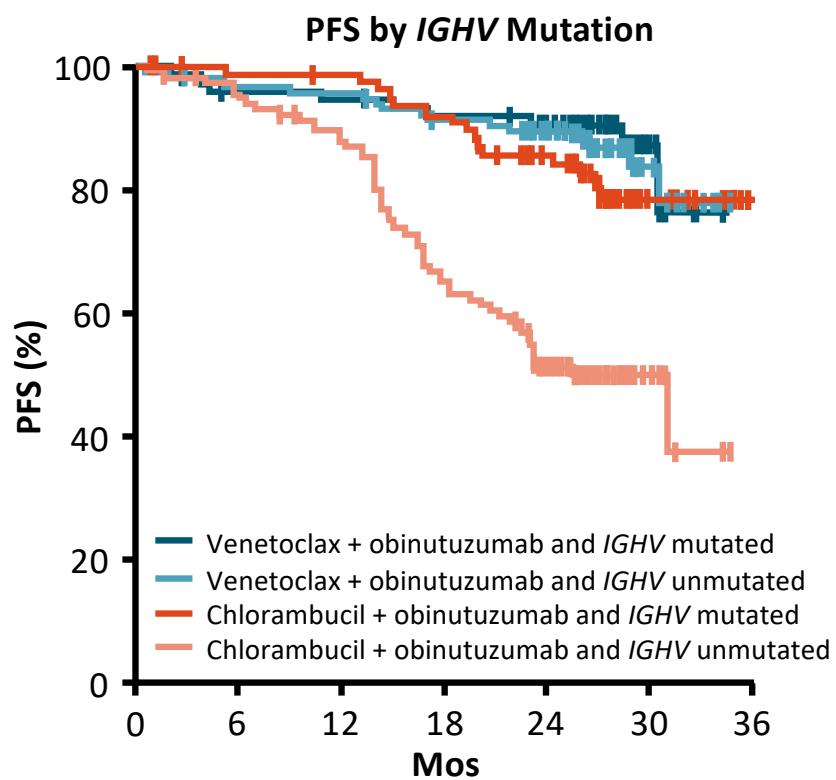
mIGHV HR: not reported

E1912 (Shanafelt LBA-4)
No del(17)p



uIGHV: HR 0.26 (0.14-0.5; p < 0.0001)
mIGHV: HR 0.44 (0.14-1.36; p = 0.07)

PFS by *IGHV* Mutation and *TP53* Status



Histology

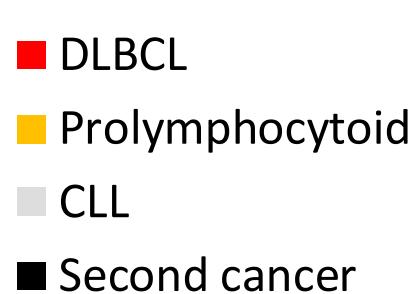
WHO 2016 Classification

Richter syndrome



Clinical suspicion of transformation

- Asymmetric growth of localized lymph nodes
- Bulky disease
- B symptoms
- Sudden and excessive rise in levels of LDH



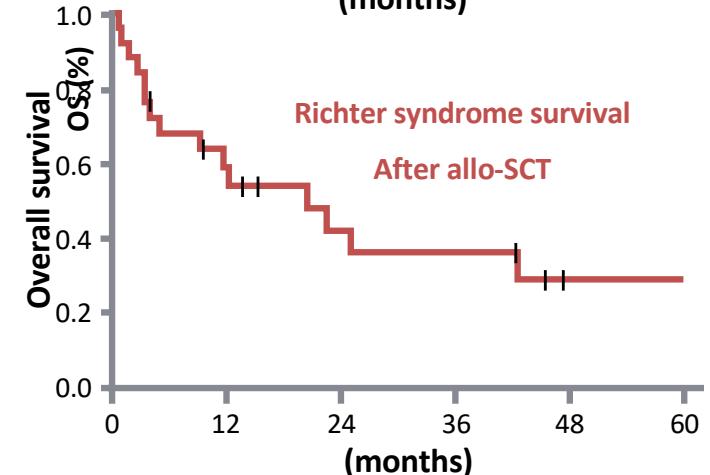
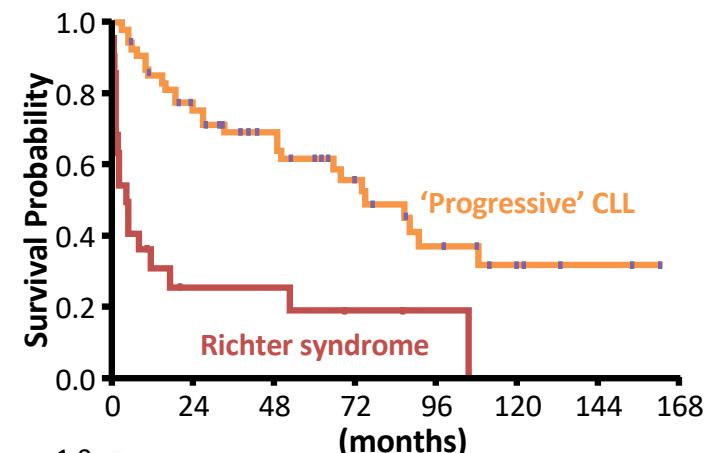
PET/CT in Richter syndrome diagnosis

RS

Sensitivity	91%
Specificity	80%
Positive predictive value	53%
Negative predictive value	97%

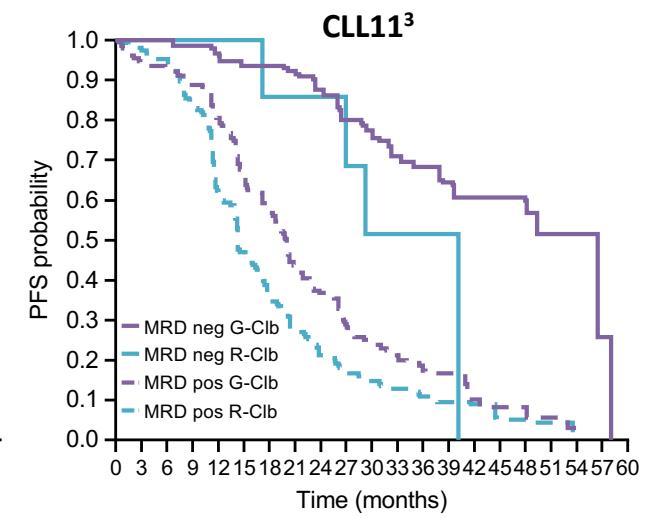
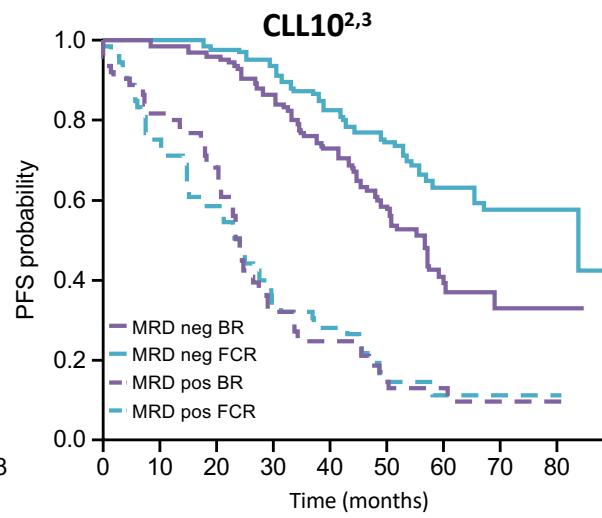
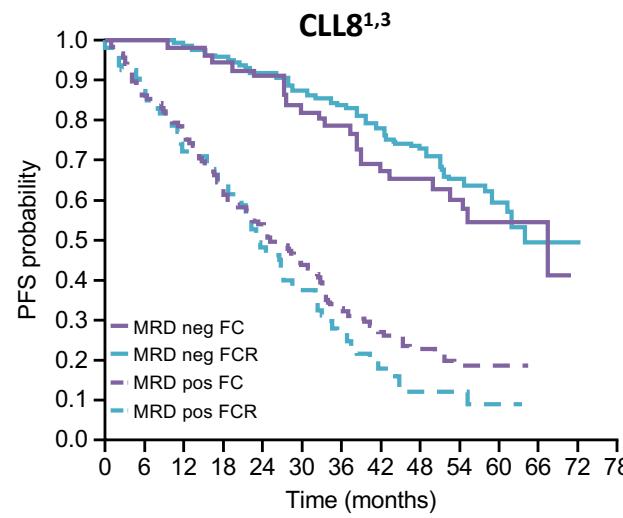
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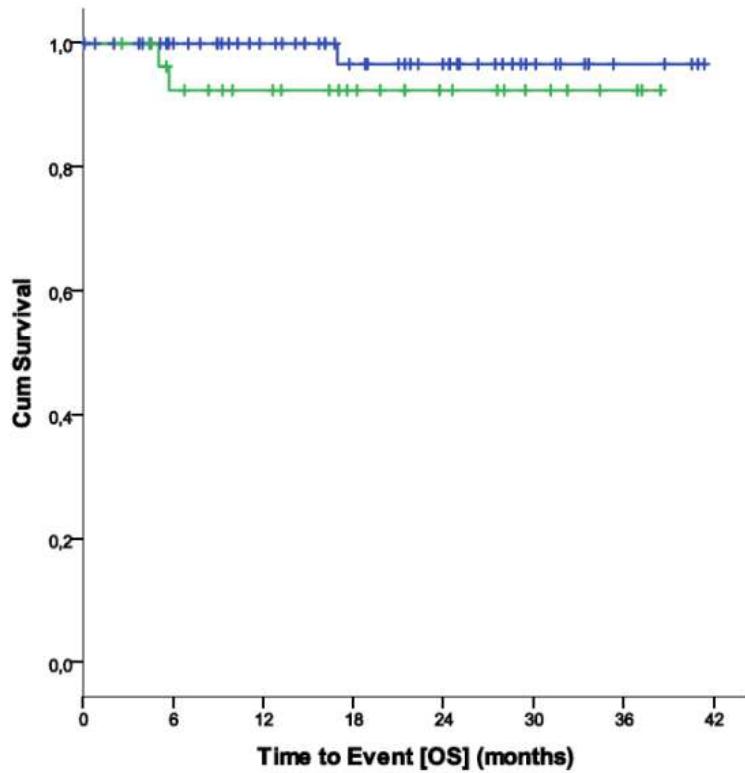
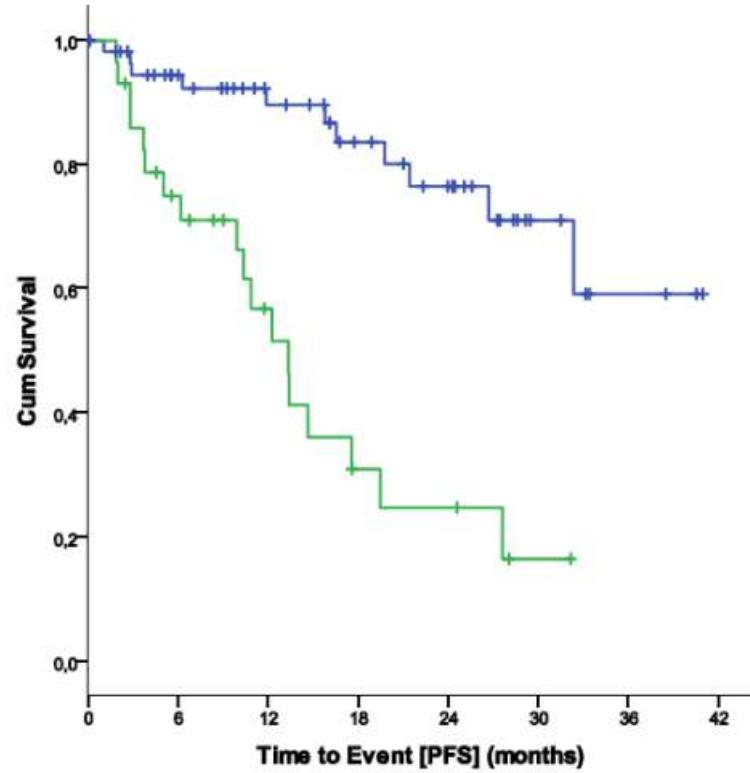


MRD

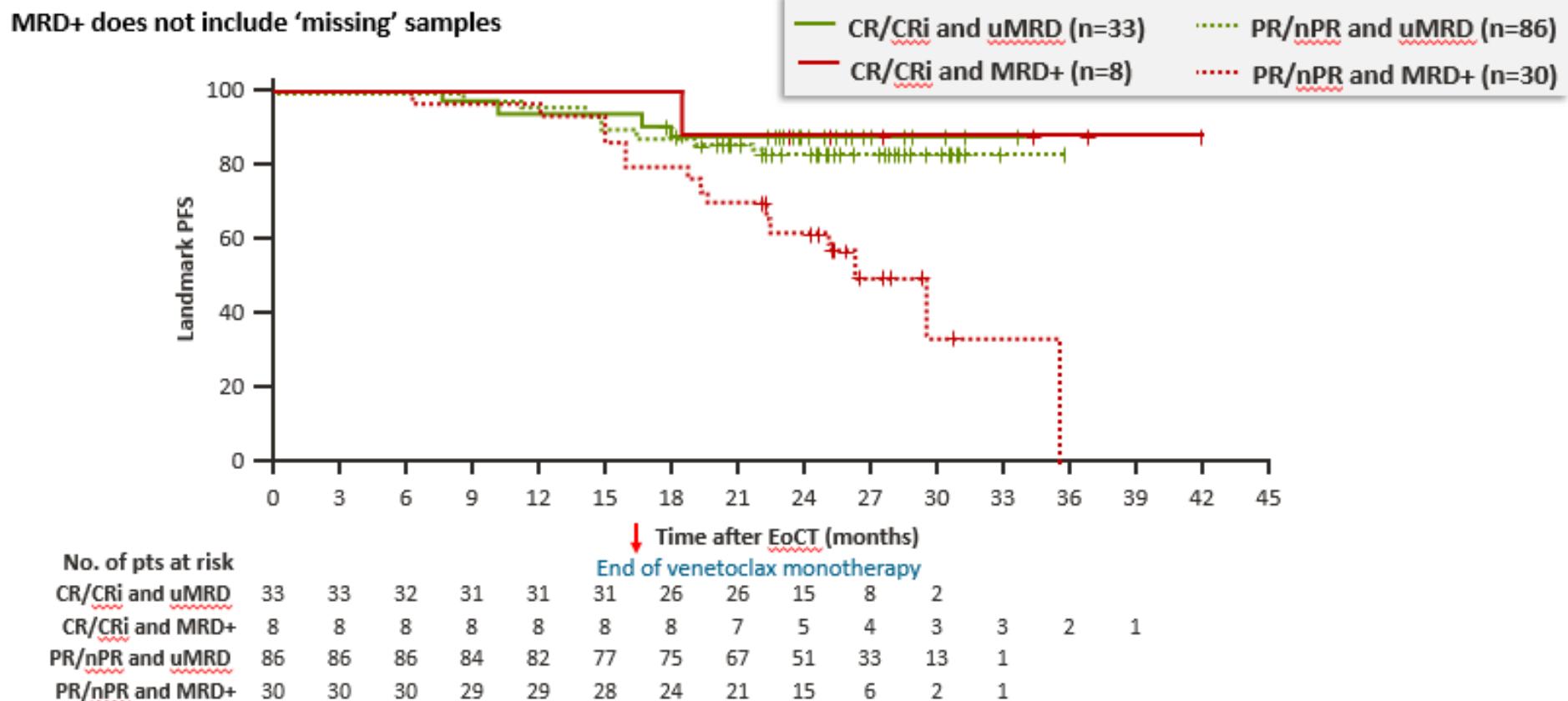
MRD is predictive of PFS with chemoimmunotherapy in CLL



Maintenance in MRD positive patients



MRD negativity predicts response duration



Conclusions



- Diagnostic biomarker: immunophenotype, morphology, CBC, PE
- Atypical phenotype: extend diagnostics to cytogenetics and BMB
- iwCLL criteria guide treatment initiation
- IGHV and *TP53* are guideline recommended molecular biomarkers for treatment tailoring
- Don't forget RS
- MRD-guided treatment discontinuation?



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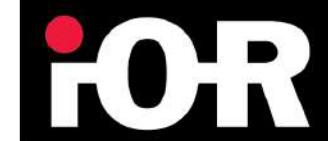
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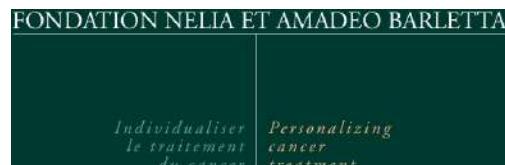


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