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# Come orientare la scelta della terapia

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Amgen							X
Celgene						х	х
Bristol							
Meyer							Х
Squibb							

# **ESMO Guidelines 2017**





dexamethasone; PAD, bortezomib, doxorubicin and dexamethasone; R, lenalidomide; M, melphalan; P, prednisone; C, cyclophosphamide.

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### **New drug-based combinations**

Dara-Rd<sup>2</sup>

#### Dara-VMP<sup>1</sup>



100 • 30 mo<sup>a</sup> D-Rd % surviving without progression 07 07 09 09 08 Median: not reached 71% 56% HR, 0.56; Rd 95% CI, 0.43-0.73; P < 0.0001 Median: 31.9 mo 18 21 24 27 30 33 36 12 39 42 15 Months

MRD neg 27% vs 7% 30-mo PFS: 60% vs 28% MRD neg 24% vs 7% 30-mo PFS: 71% vs 56%



Median PFS 34 vs 24 months (≥65 yrs)

- New standards of care: Dara-VMP, Dara-Rd, VRd
- <u>New potential future treatments</u>: Elotuzumab-Rd, Ixazomib-Rd, Carfilzomib-Rd,

Dara-KRd, Isatuximab-VRd

Dara, daratumumab; V, bortezomib; M, melphalan; P, prednisone; R, lenalidomide; K, carfilzomib; MRD neg, minimal residual disease; MRD neg, MRD negative; PFS, progression-free survival; yrs, years.

1. Dimopoulos et al., ASH 2018; abstract 156; 2. Facon et al., ASH 2018; abstract LB-2, oral presentation; 3. Durie B, et al. Lancet 2017;389:519-527

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### VMP vs Rd: PFS Subgroup Analysis





PFS, progression-free survival; VMP, bortezomib-melphalan-prednisone; Rd, lenalidomide-dexamethasone

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# VRd-Rd vs CONTINUOUS Rd: SWOG TRIAL

- Evaluable high risk cytogenetic patients n=44 (cut-off values 5%).
- Median PFS was 16 vs 38 months with Rd vs VRd in 44 HR patients, and 15 vs 34 months in17 patients with t(4;14) by FISH, respectively.
- These differences were not significant (p=0.19 and 0.96, respectively).



Bortezomib twice a week IV x 8 cycles

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#### Perspectives

Treatment of multiple myeloma with high-risk cytogenetics: a consensus of the International Myeloma Working Group

#### Consensus statement on transplant-ineligible patients

- Data in non TE patients are scarce.
- VMP may partly restore PFS in HR cytogenetics
- There are no data suggesting that lenalidomide may improve outcome with HR cytogenetics
- The IMWG group advises treating NDMM patients with HR cytogenetics with the combination of a proteasome inhibitor with lenalidomide and dexamethasone.

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Sonneveld P, et al.. Blood 2016; 127:2955-2962

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# **MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES**





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European Perspective on Multiple Myeloma Treatment Strategies: Update Following Recent Congresses

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#### **Renal Impairment**

Bortezomib-based treatments are effective in patients with renal impairment, and the combination of bortezomib and highdose dexamethasone may be considered as the treatment of choice, as recently recommended by the IMWG [84]. Reversal of renal insufficiency is observed in a substantial proportion of patients with bortezomib-based treatment. There is limited experience on the use of thalidomide in this setting. Nevertheless, careful administration appears feasible [84]. Lenalidomidebased treatment has been shown to be effective [85]; however, dose modification based on renal function is mandatory because of the renal clearance of the agent [84, 85].

Ludwig H et al The Oncologist 2012;17:592-606

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Inclusion criteria for creatinine clearance:

- $\geq$  30 mL/min in the MAIA study
- $\geq$  40 mL/min in the ALCYONE study

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# **Overview of mPFS in recent phase 3 trials in NTE NDMM**



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Direct comparison between trials is not intended and should not be inferred.

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#### TIME TO PROGRESSION BY LINE OF THERAPY





- The first remission is the longest one
- Duration of remission decreases after each line of therapy

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#### **FIRST-LINE TREATMENT IS CRUCIAL – NON-HDT POPULATION**



#### A large number of elderly patients receive only one line of treatment



\*Possible range for more treatments assumes that all censored patients would live to receive more treatment or die and receive no more treatment. Assumed constant mortality rate in each treatment line. 1L, first line. Liwing J, et al. Br J Haematol 2014;164:684–93.

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#### Relative probability of receiving a further line of therapy

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# Accumulative lines of therapy received by age



Courtesy of A Spencer

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# ELDERLY MM PATIENTS ARE AN HETEROGENEOUS GROUP



Moderately fit: Not regularly active but Routinely walking





Very fit: active, who exercise regularly

Severely frail: Dependent on other people



Mildly frail: Help for household tasks



Moderately frail: Partial help for their personal care

Vulnerable: Can perform limited activities but they don't need any help

Palumbo A. Blood 2011; 118:4519-29

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# **IMWG FRAILTY SCORE**



Variable		HR (CI 95%)	Р	SCORE
AGE	Age <75 years	1	-	0
	Age 75-80 years	1.13 (0.76-1.69)	0.549	1
	Age >80 years	2.40 (1.56-3.71)	<0.001	2
CHARLSON INDEX	Charlson <u>&lt;</u> 1	1	-	0
	Charlson <u>&gt;</u> 2	1.37 (0.92-2.05)	0.125	1
ADL SCORE	ADL >4	1	-	0
	ADL <u>&lt;</u> 4	1.67 (1.08-2.56)	0.02	1
IADL SCORE	IADL >5	1	-	0
	IADL <u>&lt;</u> 5	1.43 (0.96-2.14)	0.078	1

ADDITIVE TOTAL SCORE	PATIENT STATUS
0	FIT
1	INTERMEDIATE
<u>&gt;</u> 2	FRAIL

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# **IMWG FRAILTY SCORE: LONG-TERM OUTCOME**





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**IMWG frailty index reflects biological frailty** 

The incidence of functional, cognitive, mental and nutritional impairments is higher in frail compared to unfit



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# **IMWG Frailty score – the gold standard in MM**





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### Conclusions



# Use of ImiDs, PIs, CD38 in NDMM TNE Patients ...accross various regimens and fitness levels



R-DARA → DRd → (VRD/VRD lite) → D-VRD lite → D-VRD/KRD (No/few Dex)

> Continuous Len...before continuous Len and CD38 SC Dara for all patients, other CD38 ? Iberdomide to replace Lenalidomide ?

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### **IMROZ and CEPHEUS trials: study designs**



No cross-trial comparison is intended with this data. HDT-ASCT, high-dose therapy and autologous stem cell transplantation; ISA, isatukimab; QoL, quality of life.

Available from: https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03319667. Accessed June 2019.
Available from: https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03652064. Accessed June 2019.

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- Despite limitations, the IMWG frailty index is currently the gold standard to detect frail MM patients
- Less duration of induction, less dosed and less dense therapy, but try to maintain in order to reach a long duration of response
- 'Non-frail' drugs such as mAbs



### **Concept of 'non-toxic for frail' drugs**

Maintenance

Maximum 2 years until PD

q8 weeks

Ixazomib citrate 4 mg

days 1, 8, 15, 29, 36, 43

Daratumumab 16 mg/kg day 1



### HOVON 143 study Concept of 'non-toxic for frail' drugs

Induction

9 cycles, q 4 weeks

Ixazomib citrate 4 mg

days 1, 8, 15

Dexamethasone 20 mg

days 1, 8, 15, 22, cycle 1

Dexamethasone 10 mg days 1, 8, 15, 22, cycles 2-9

Daratumumab 16 mg/kg

days 1, 8, 15, 22, cycles 1-2

days 1, 15, cycles 3-6

day 1, cycles 7-9

#### IFM 2017-03 study A dexamethasone-sparing study



Randomization will be stratified by International Staging System (I vs II vs III) and age (<80 vs 280 In Arm A Low Dose Dex (20mg/week) during Cycle 1 and 2 then Methylprednisolone (with SC Dara)



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