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Gli anticorpi monoclonali nel Mieloma Multiplo

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- **Future developments**

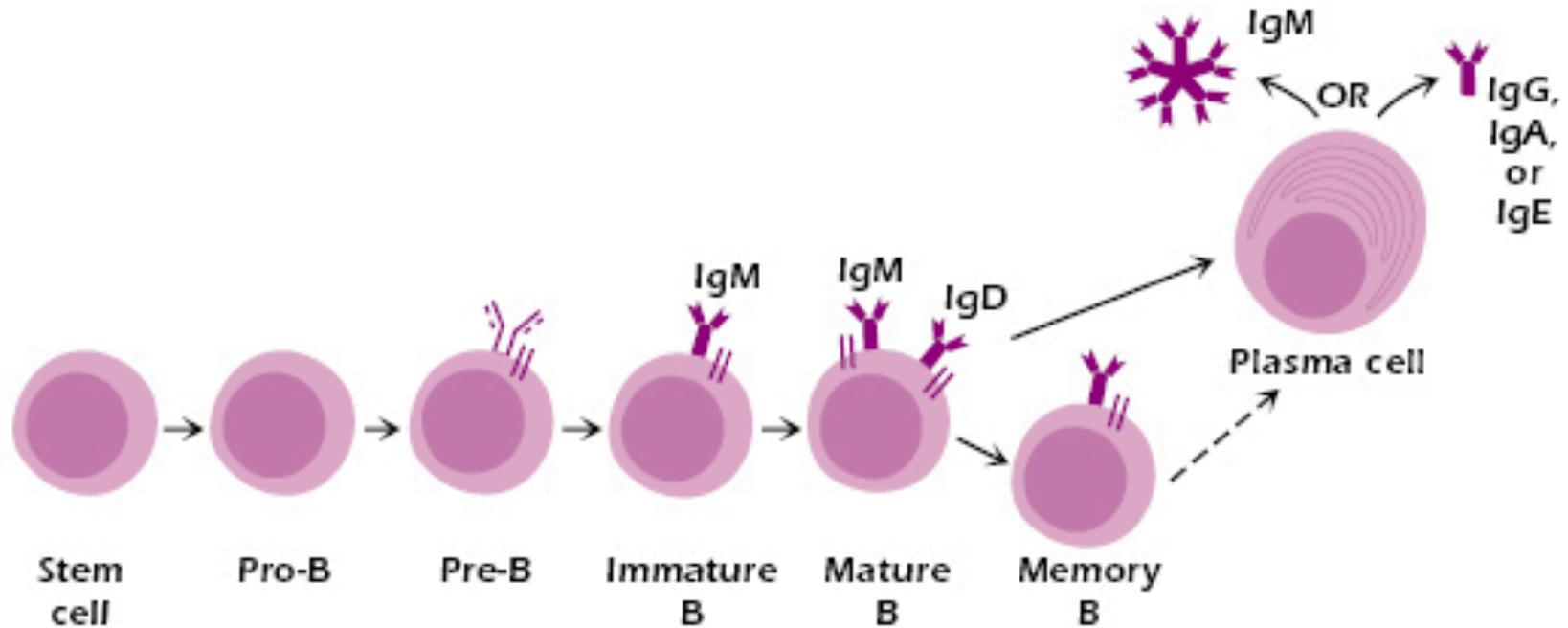
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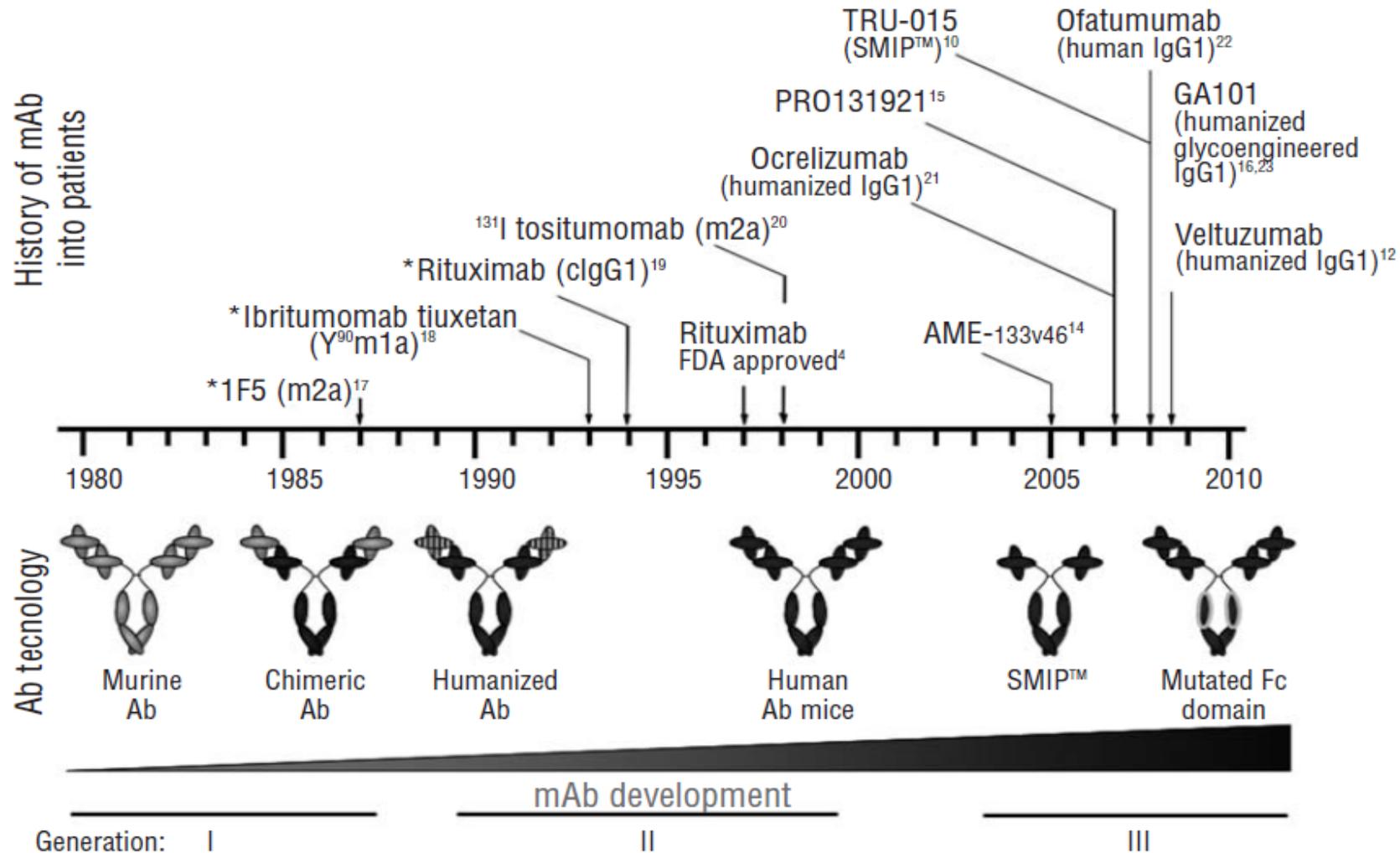
Stages in B-cell differentiation



Plasma cells belong to the B-cell lineage, however they do not appear to be easily killed by monoclonal antibodies.

MoAbs have a pivotal role in the B cell lymphoma treatment since the 1990s

History of anti-CD20 mAb in clinical translation



Rituximab in CD20+ MM

bjh review

Anti-CD20 monoclonal antibody therapy in multiple myeloma

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Several small series have been reported on the use of Rituximab in MM.

Only few responses, mainly **SD** and **MR** have been observed.

It has been hypothesized that the high expression of complement regulatory proteins, **CD55** and **CD59**, may protect plasma cells from killing.

Several antigens have been targeted

CD40 → H.M. Horton et al. *Blood*, 2010. **FAILED**

CD138 → K.M. Dhodapkar et al. *J Exp Med*, 2002. **FAILED**

CD74 → R. Stein et al. *Blood*, 2004. **FAILED**

CD162 → C. Tripodo et al. *Curr Cancer Drug Targets*, 2009. **FAILED**

CD66 → M. Ringhoffer et al. *BJH*, 2005. **FAILED**

IL6 → M. Trikha et al. *Clin Canc Research*, 2003. **FAILED**

VEGF → M. Raschko et al. *Blood*, 2007. **FAILED**

GM2 → T. Ishii et al. *Blood*, 2008. **FAILED**

CD200 → **FAILED**

BCMA → T. Ishii

More promising antigens

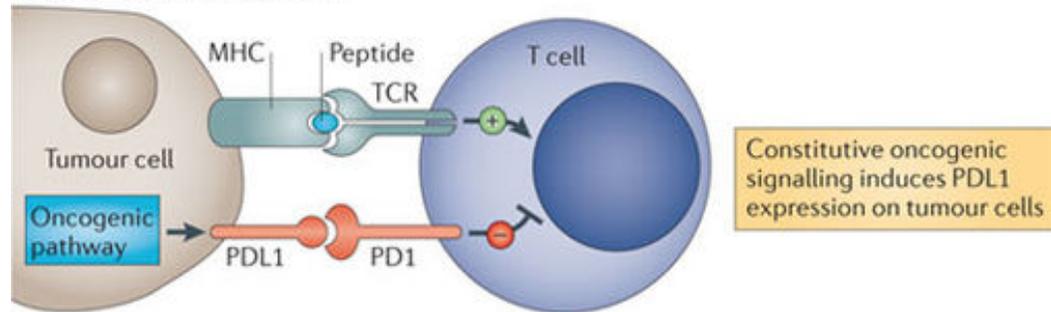
SLAMF7 (CS1)

CD38

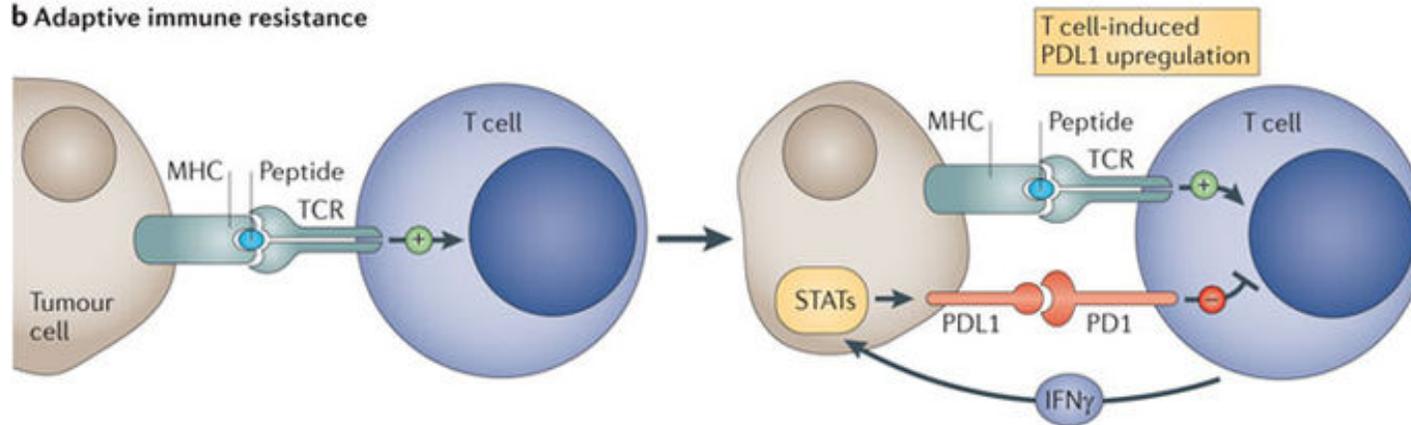
PD1 (??)

PD1

a Innate immune resistance



b Adaptive immune resistance



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PD1

The first results on PD1 block with nivolumab were obtained in a hematological basket trial, which included 27 heavily pretreated MM patients.

ORR

MM → 4%

DLBCL → 36%

FL → 40%

PTCL → 40%

Toxicity

Grade 3/4 → 19%

PD1 + IMiDs

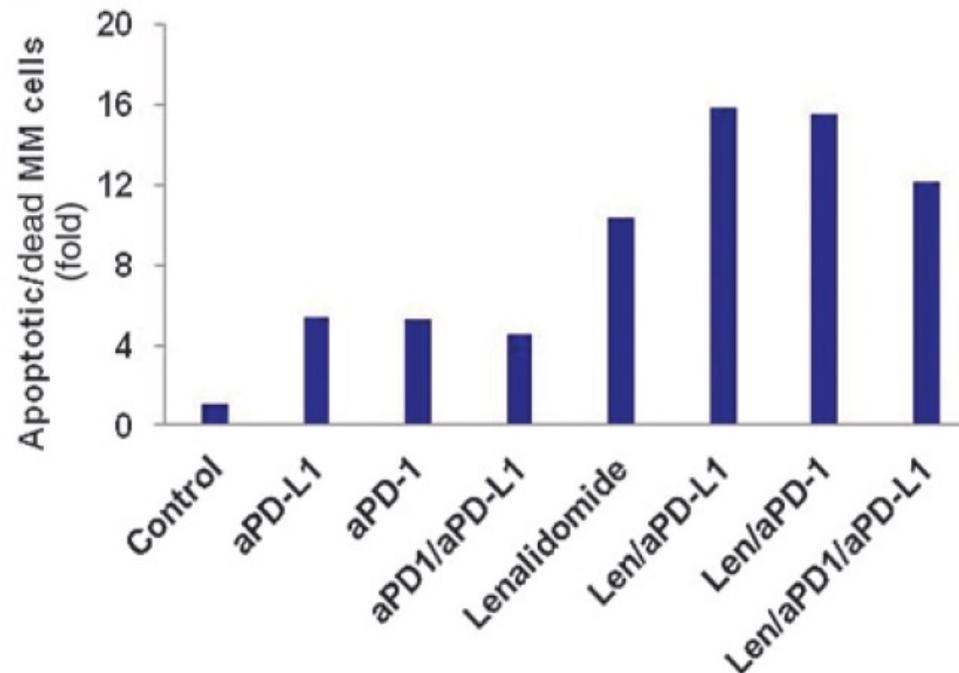
Cancer Therapy: Preclinical

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Lenalidomide Enhances Immune Checkpoint Blockade-Induced Immune Response in Multiple Myeloma

Güllü Görgün¹, Mehmet K. Samur^{1,2}, Kristen B. Cowens¹, Steven Paula¹, Giada Bianchi¹, Julie E. Anderson¹, Randie E. White¹, Ahaana Singh¹, Hiroto Ohguchi¹, Rikio Suzuki¹, Shohei Kikuchi¹, Takeshi Harada¹, Teru Hideshima¹, Yu-Tzu Tai¹, Jacob P. Laubach¹, Noopur Raje³, Florence Magrangeas^{4,5}, Stephane Minvielle^{4,5}, Herve Avet-Loiseau⁶, Nikhil C. Munshi^{1,7}, David M. Dorfman⁸, Paul G. Richardson¹, and Kenneth C. Anderson¹

Apoptotic death in MM plasma cells



PD1 + IMiDs

KEYNOTE-023 phase I trial evaluated Pembrolizumab + Rd in RR MM patients.

62 patients enrolled, median of 4 previous lines of therapy, 76% Len refractory.

ORR 50% (36% in Len-refractory).

No excess of toxicity observed (no pneumonia, no colytis).

PD1 + IMiDs

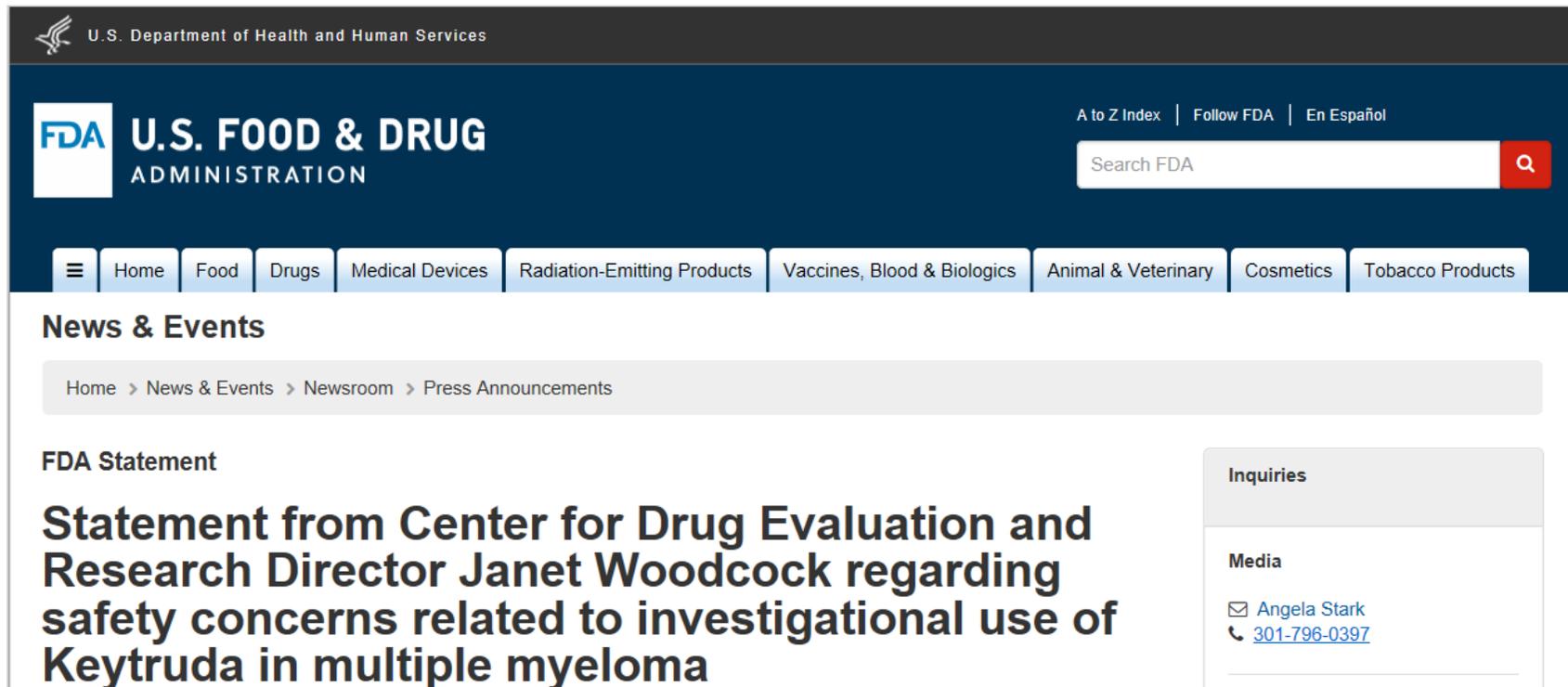
KEYNOTE-183 phase III trial with Poma-Dex with or without Pembrolizumab in R o RR MM patients.

KEYNOTE-185 phase III trial with Rd with or without Pembrolizumab in newly diagnosed MM

PD1 + IMiDs

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KEYNOTE-185 phase III trial with Rd with or without



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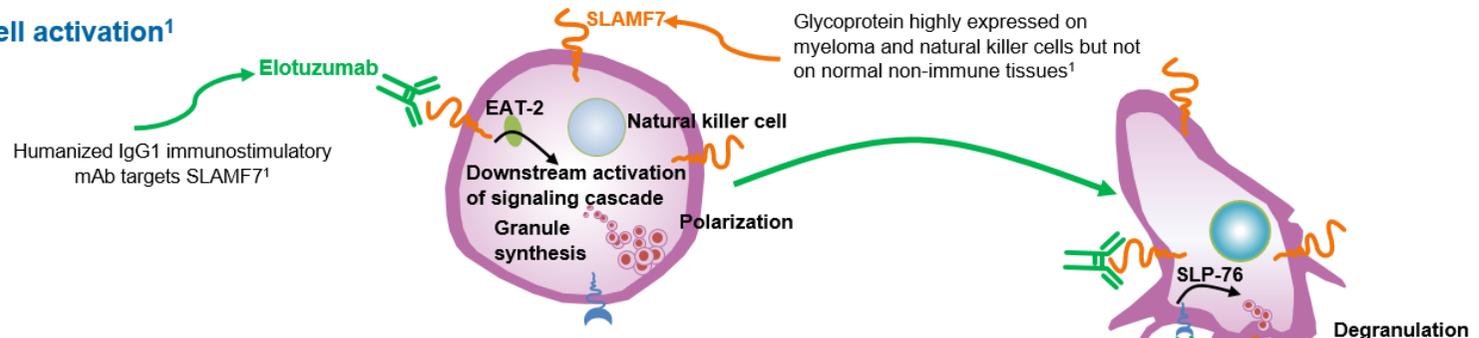
SLAMF7

Elotuzumab is an IgG/k anti-SLAMF7 MoAb

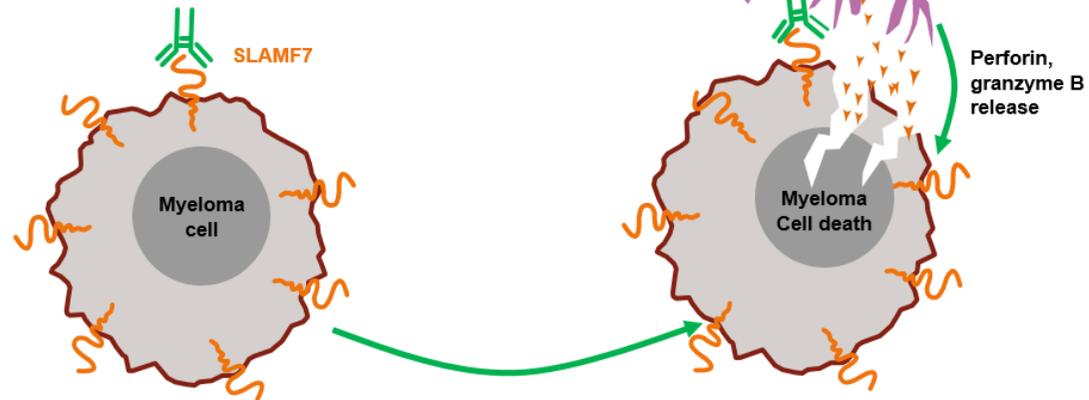
SLAMF7 is expressed on plasma cells and NK cells

Elotuzumab enables selective killing of myeloma cells via a dual mechanism of action

A. Direct cell activation¹



B. Tagging for recognition for ADCC^{1,2}



SLAMF7

Elotuzumab is an IgG/k anti-SLAMF7 MoAb

In a phase I trial 35 patients were treated with Elotuzumab from 0,5 to 20 mg/Kg.

Patients had an advanced disease (4.5 median number of previous line of therapy, 82% previously exposed to lenalidomide and bortezomib.

ORR → 0%

Eloquent 2 study

Patients

- RRMM
- 1–3 prior lines of therapy
- Prior lenalidomide permitted in 10% of patients (if sensitive)

ELd: n=321

Elo (10 mg/kg IV): Cycles 1 and 2 weekly, Cycle 3+ every other week

Len (25 mg PO): Days 1–21

Dex (40 mg): Weekly equivalent

Ld: n=325

Len (25 mg PO): Days 1–21

Dex (40 mg PO): Weekly

Repeat every 28 days

Co-primary endpoints: PFS and ORR

Secondary endpoints: OS

Exploratory endpoints: safety and DOR

Start

Primary analysis

----- **Extended analyses** -----

Jun 2011

2-y PFS (minFU: 24 mo)

3-y PFS (minFU: 33 mo)

Interim OS (minFU: 36 mo)

4-y PFS^a (FU: 48 mo)

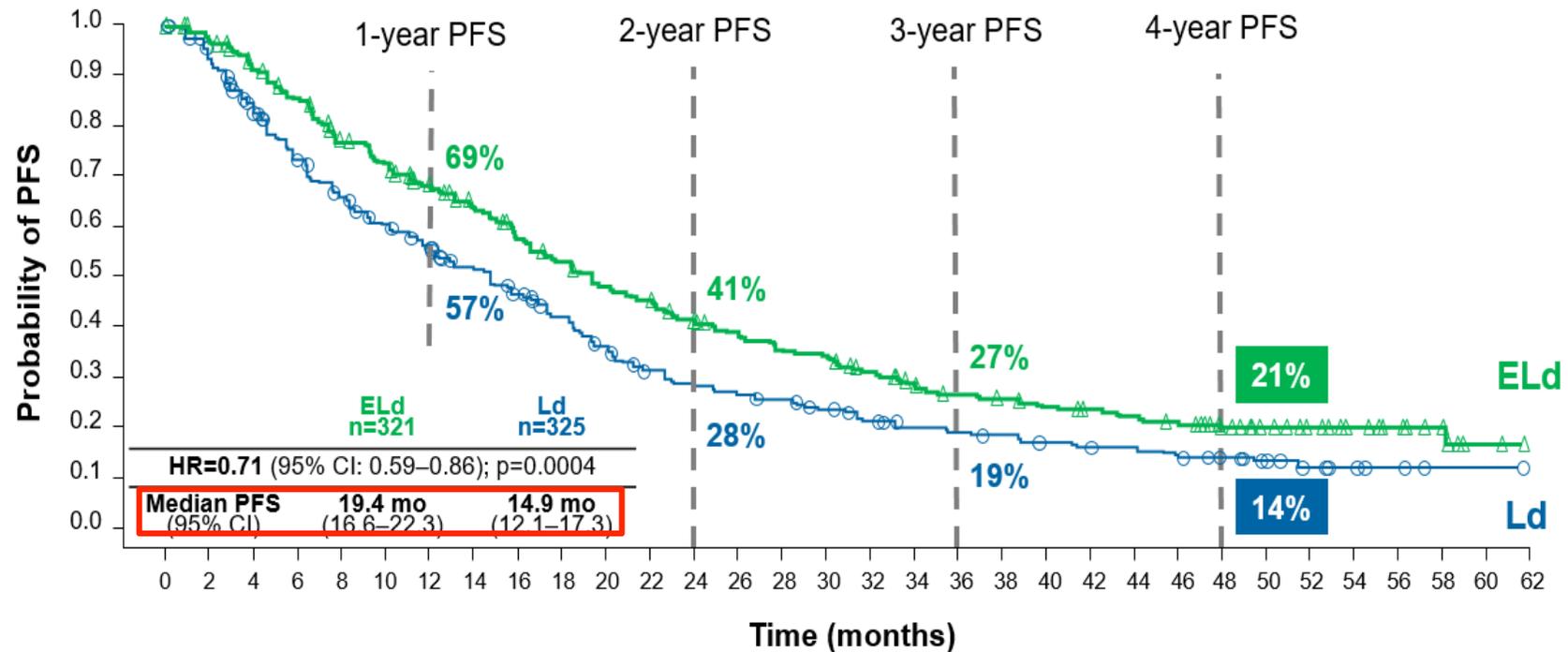
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Eloquent 2 study

Characteristic	ELd (n=321)	Ld (n=325)
Age, median (range), years	67 (37–88)	66 (38–91)
ISS stage at diagnosis, ^a n (%)		
I	141 (44)	138 (42)
II	102 (32)	105 (32)
III	66 (21)	68 (21)
Cytogenetic profile, n (%)^a		
del(17p) ≥ 1 cell	102 (32)	104 (32)
del(17p) ≥ 60% of cells	62 (19)	61 (19)
t(4;14)	30 (9)	31 (10)
Previous regimens, median (range)	2 (1–4)	2 (1–4)
Previous therapies, n (%)		
Bortezomib	219 (68)	231 (71)
Melphalan (PO or IV)	220 (69)	197 (61)
Thalidomide	153 (48)	157 (48)
Lenalidomide	16 (5)	21 (6)
Response to most recent line of therapy, ^c n (%)		
Refractory	113 (35)	114 (35)
Relapsed	207 (65)	211 (65)
Risk category,^a n (%)		
High ^d	60 (19)	66 (20)
Low ^e	14 (4)	22 (7)
Standard ^f	231 (72)	221 (68)
Time from diagnosis, median (range), years	3.5 (0.3–17.3)	3.5 (0.1–16.2)

Eloquent 2 study

PFS



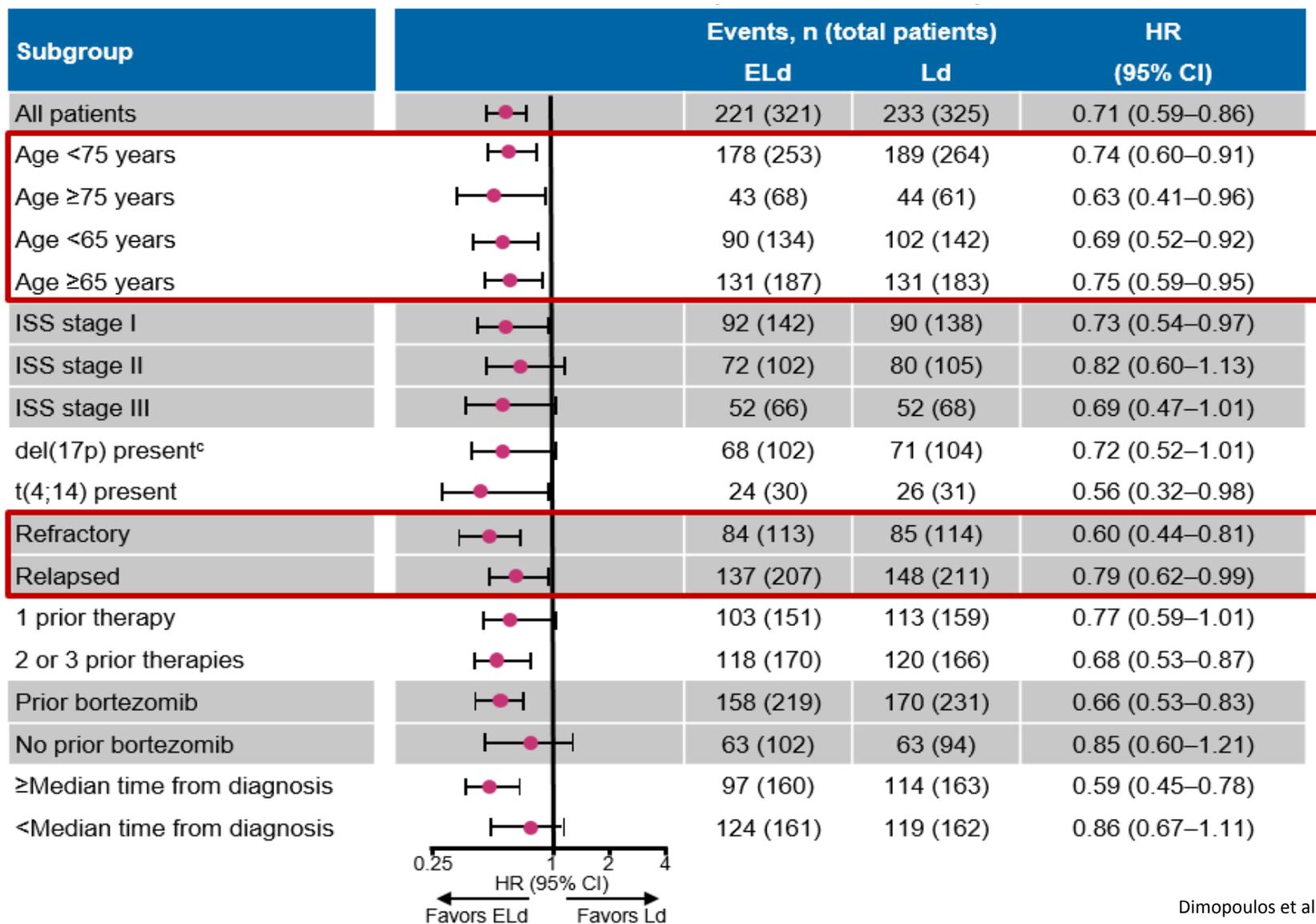
Patients at risk

ELd	321	304	280	260	233	216	196	180	160	147	132	125	111	103	94	91	79	70	63	60	55	52	49	46	36	31	24	17	13	6	2	0
Ld	325	295	249	216	192	173	158	141	124	108	91	76	68	64	61	54	47	41	39	37	33	31	30	27	22	13	9	6	3	1	1	0

- At 4 years, ELOQUENT-2 has the longest follow-up for PFS in RRMM
- 29% reduction in the risk of progression or death (sustained over time)
- 50% relative improvement in the PFS rate at 4 years (21% vs 14%) in favor of ELd

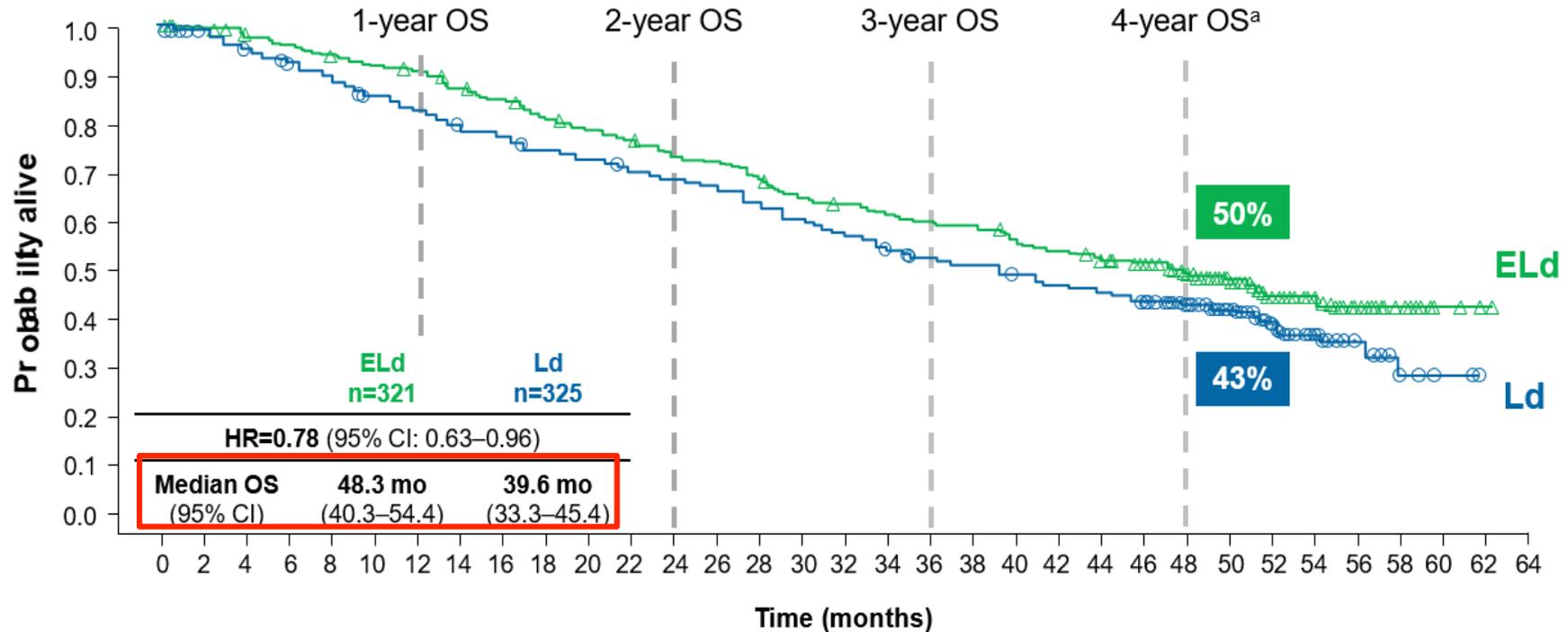
Eloquent 2 study

Subgroup analysis for PFS



Eloquent 2 study

OS



Toxicity

Elotuzumab did not add significant toxicity to that observed with Rd, including infusion reactions.

Eloquent 2 study

Essential informations to remember:

EloRd median PFS 19 months

EloRd median OS 48 months

Benefit across all subgroups

Very well tolerated

- General considerations

- Elotuzumab

-Daratumumab

- Future developments

CD38

CD38 is:

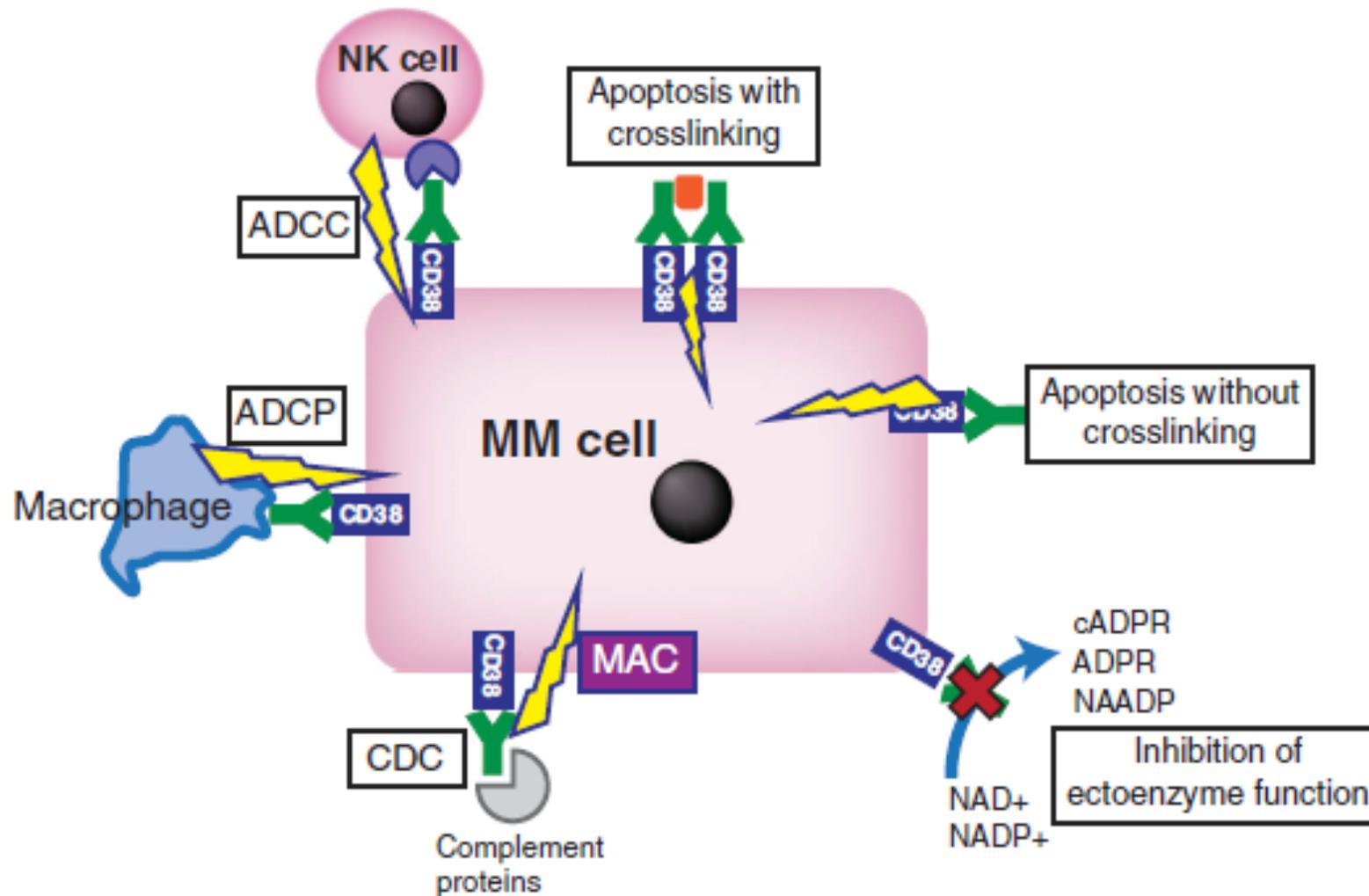
- highly expressed on MM plasma cells
- has a low expression on erythrocytes, lymphoid and myeloid cells.

CD38 has:

- adhesion functions
- signaling functions, since contribute to intracellular calcium mobilization and adenosine production, and adenosine favours local immunological tolerance
- costimulatory functions in T-lymphocytes

CD38

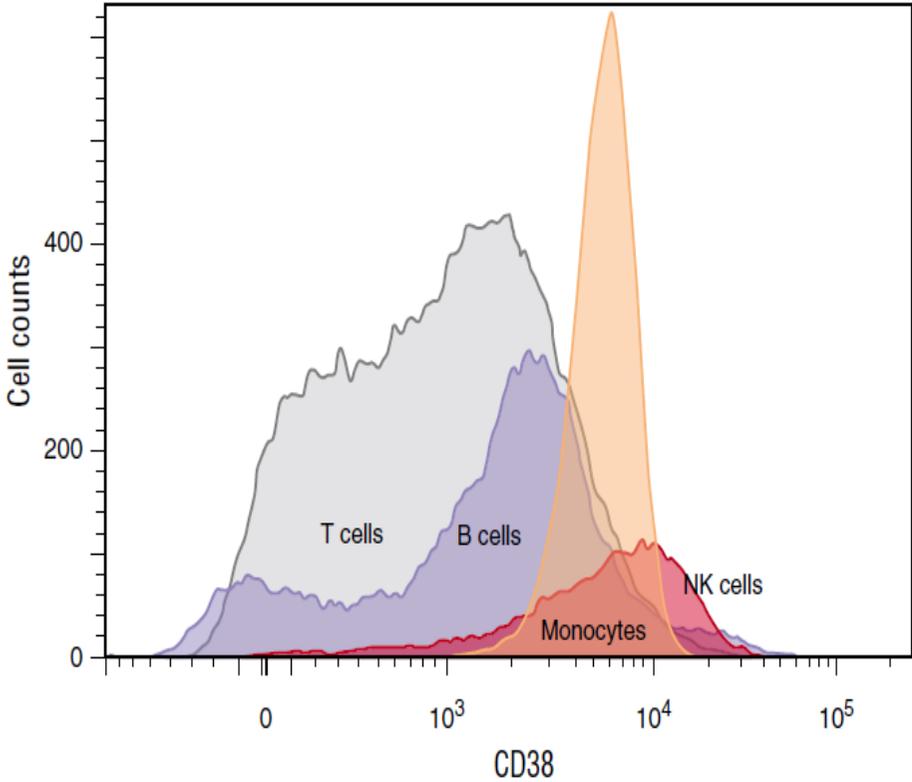
Anti-CD38 MoAbs have several mechanisms of action



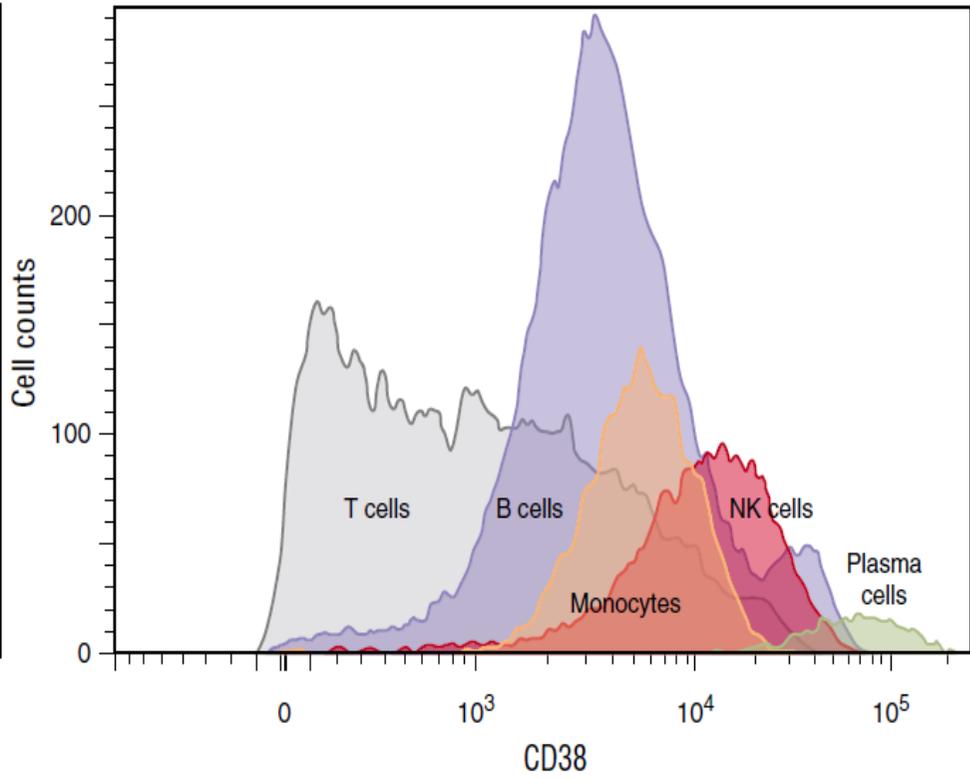
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CD38 expression

Healthy donors

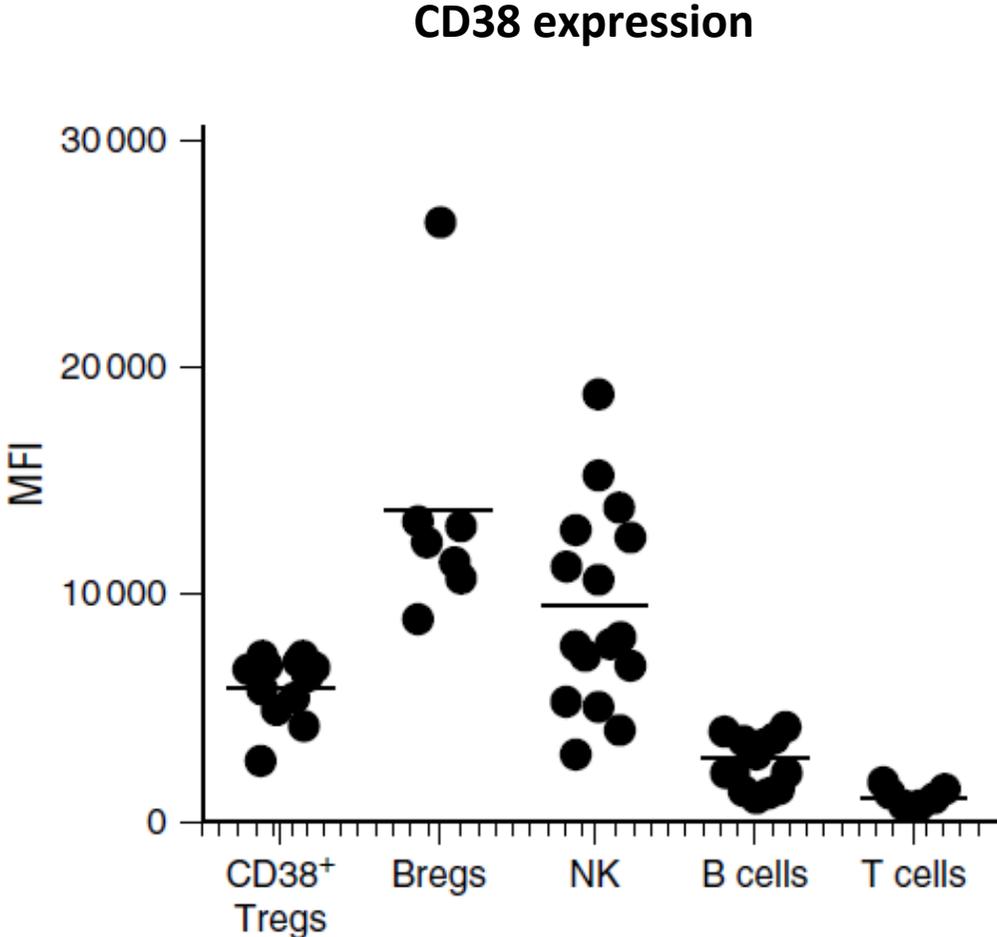


MM patients



CD38

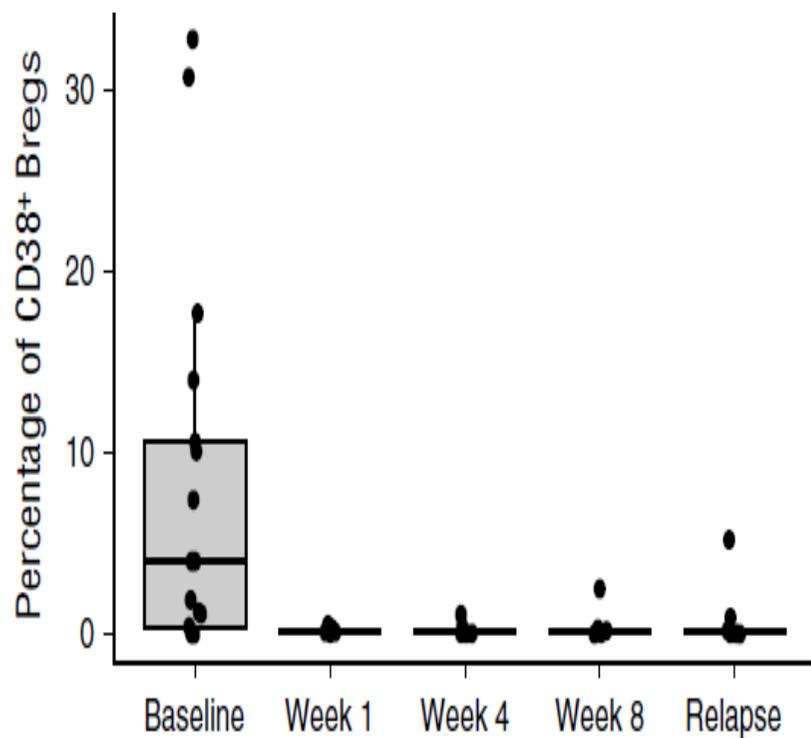
CD38+ B-regulatory cells on lymphocytes



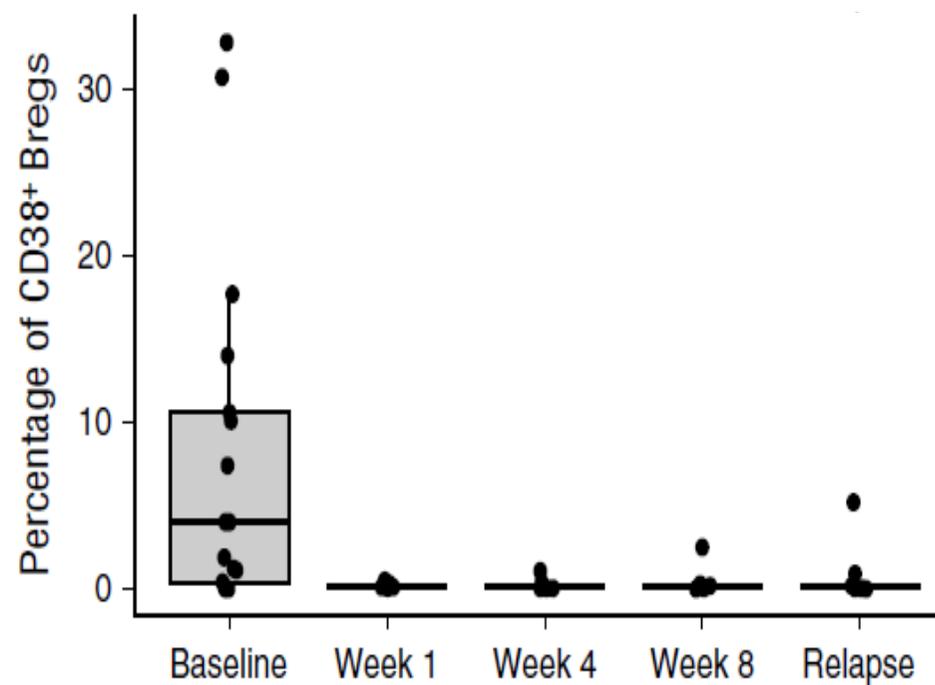
CD38

CD38+ B-regulatory cells and Dara therapy

B-regulatory cells
during Dara therapy



T-regulatory cells
during Dara therapy



Daratumumab

1st line

2nd – 3rd line

≥3rd line

Transplant eligible

Dara – VRd + AutoSCT

Dara - Vd

Dara mono

Dara - Rd

Dara - PD

Transplant ineligible

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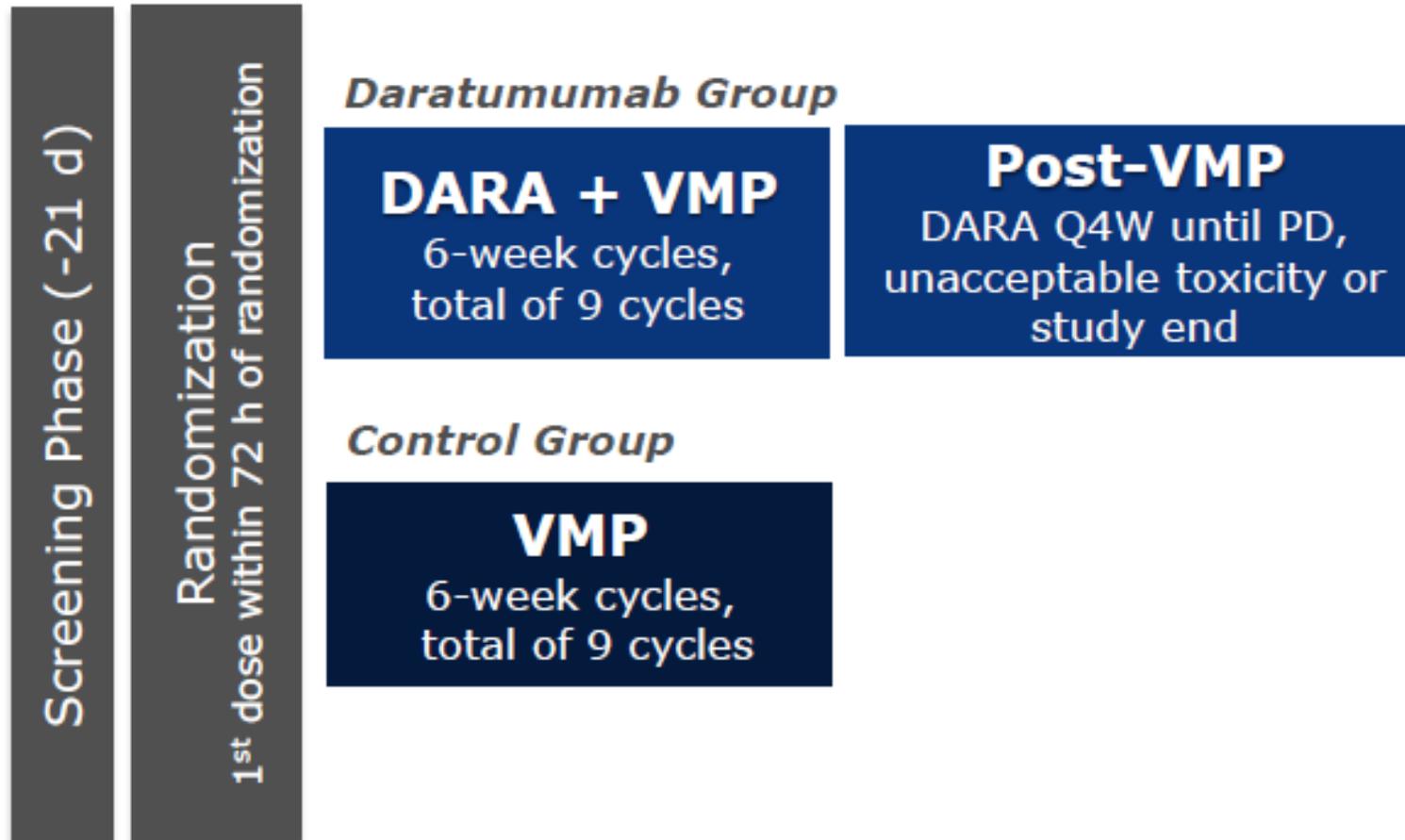
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Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)



Primary Endpoint	Progression-free survival (PFS)
Secondary Endpoints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ORR • \geqVGPR rate • \geqCR rate • MRD (Negative status; 10^{-5}) • OS • Safety

Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)

Baseline characteristics

	Dara-VMP (N=350)	VMP (N=356)
Age, median (range)	71 (40-93)	71 (50-91)
age ≥75 yr	104 (30%)	107 (30%)
ISS		
I	78 (22%)	99 (28%)
II	182 (52%)	173 (49%)
III	90 (26%)	84 (24%)
Cytogenetics		
Standard risk	261/314 (83%)	257/302 (85%)
High risk [17p-, t(4;14), t(14;16)]	53/314 (17%)	45/302 (15%)

Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)

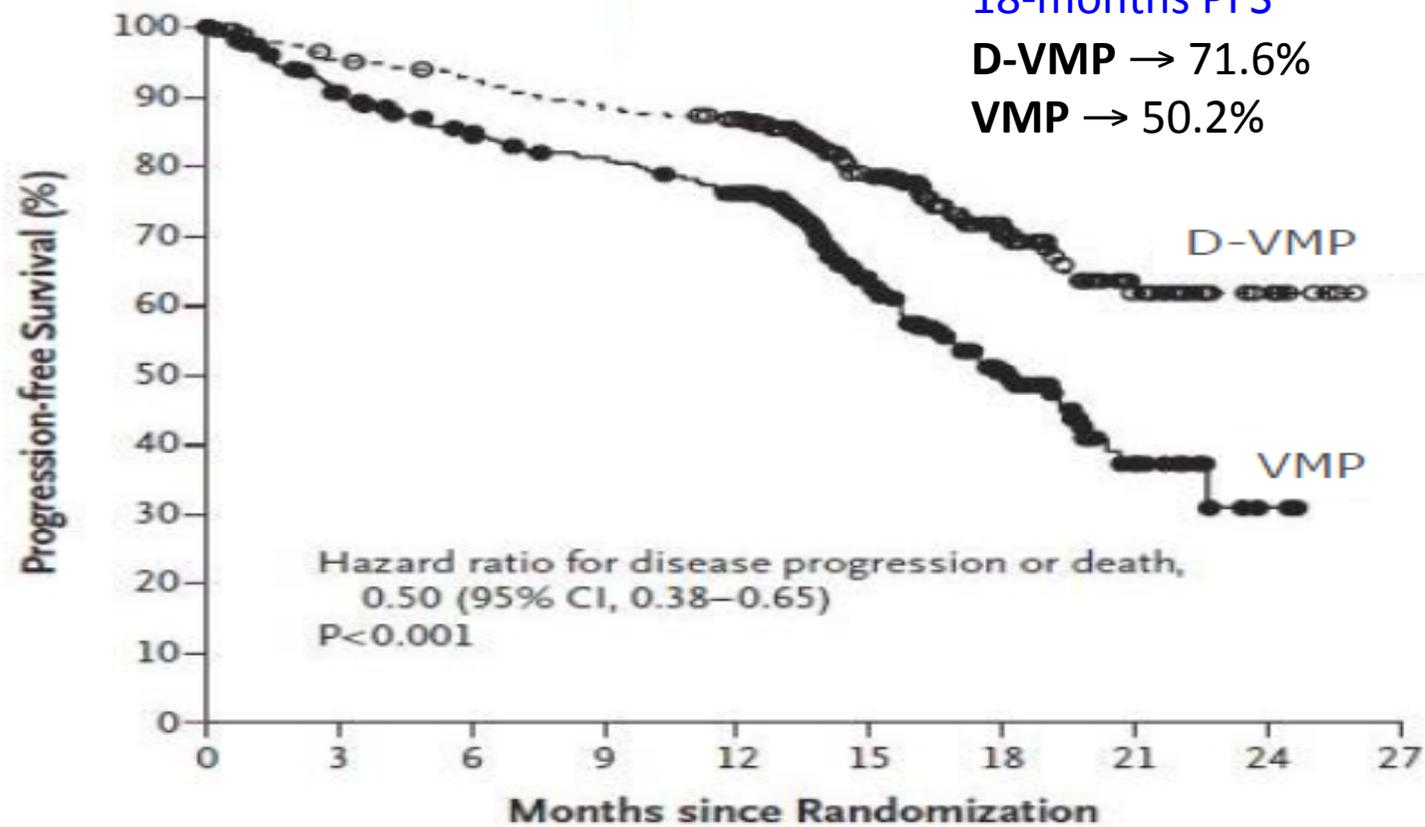
PFS

Median follow-up: 16.5 months

18-months PFS

D-VMP → 71.6%

VMP → 50.2%

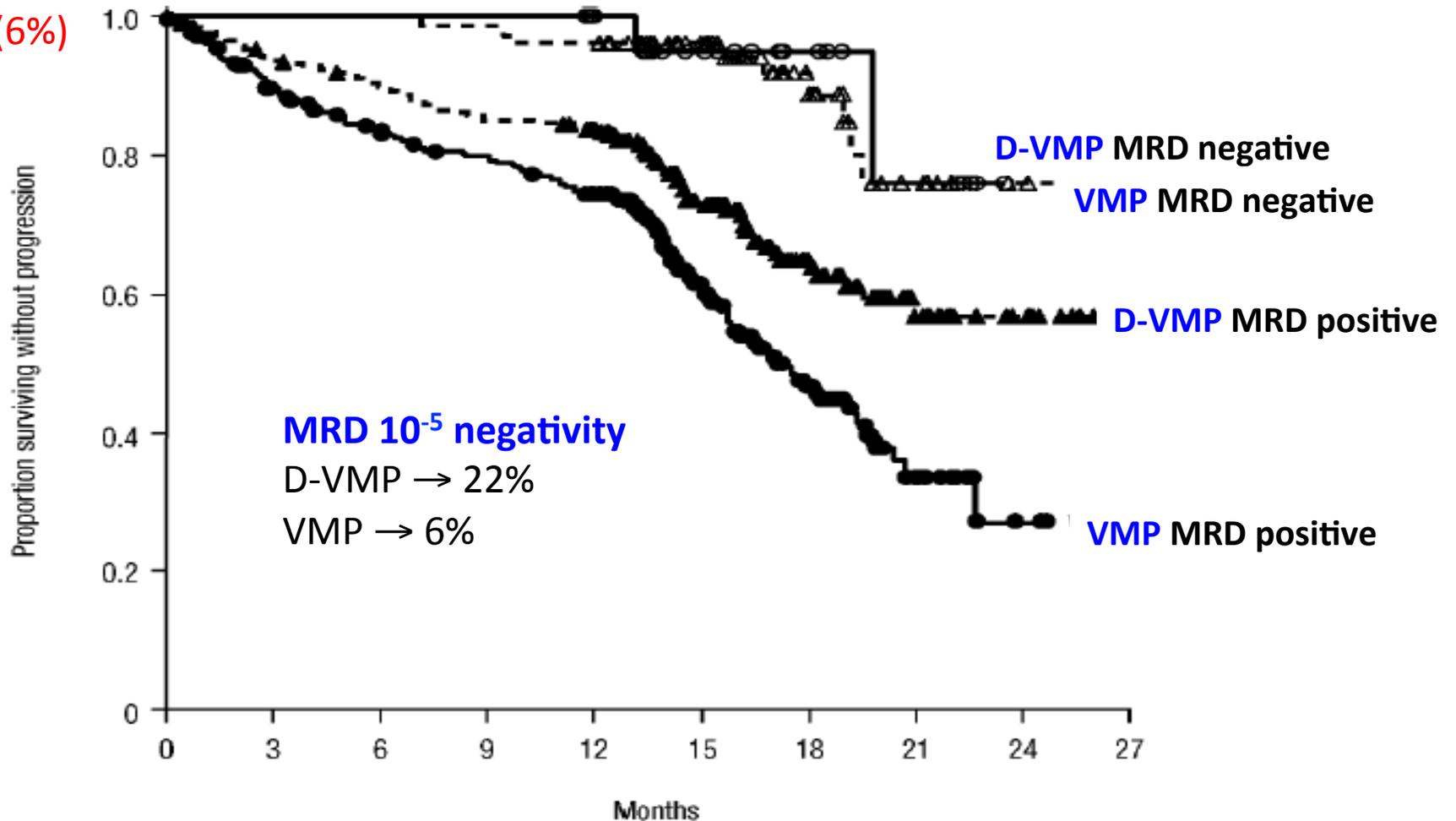


Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)

PFS according to MRD 10^{-5}

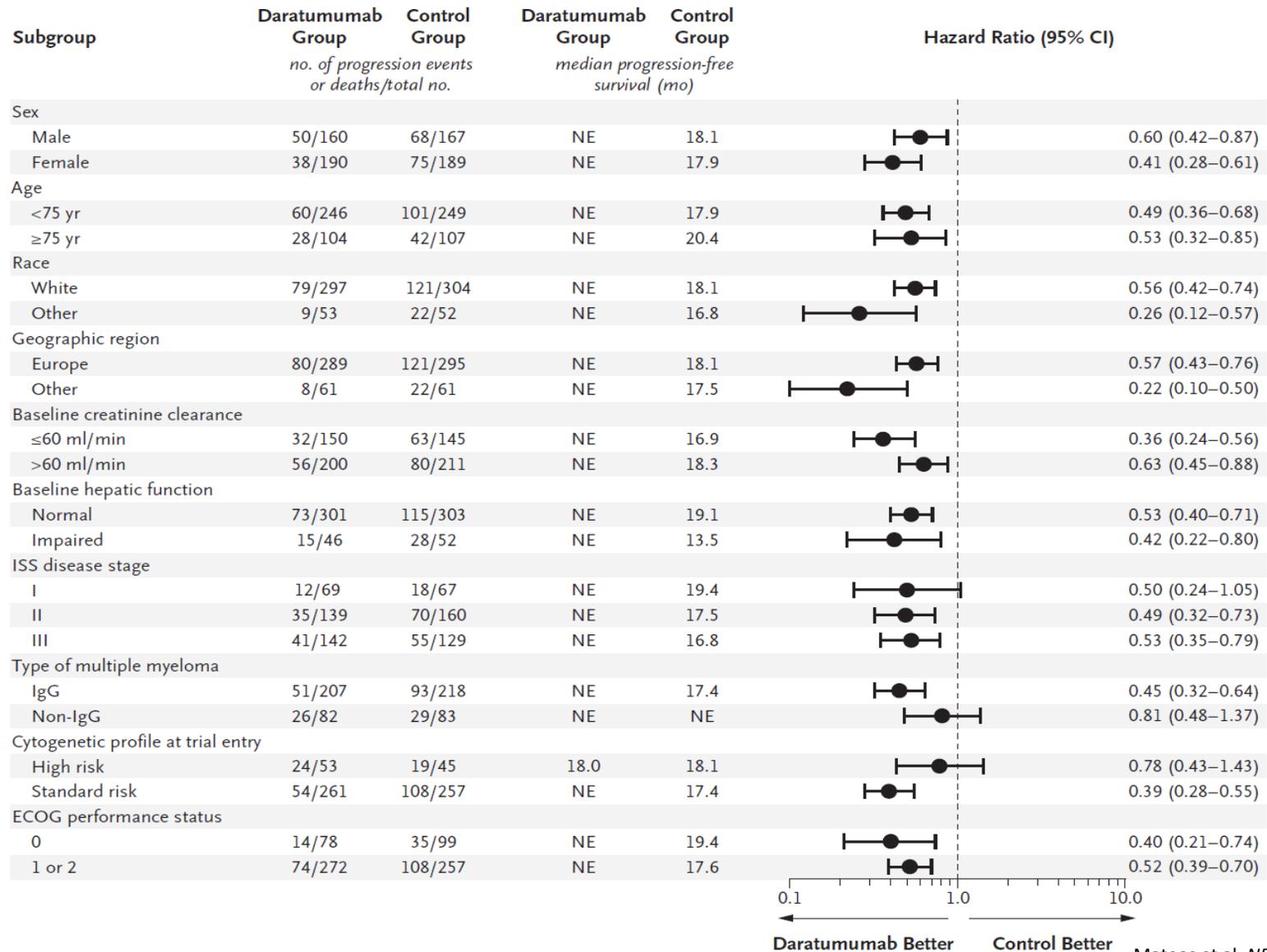
D-VMP 78 (18%)

VMP 22 (6%)



Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)

Subgroups analysis for PFS



Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)

Toxicity

Event, n (%)	D-VMP (N=346)		VMP (N=354)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4	Any Grade	Grade 3/4
Hematologic AEs				
Neutropenia	172 (49.7)	138 (39.9)	186 (52.5)	137 (38.7)
Thrombocytopenia	169 (48.8)	119 (34.4)	190 (53.7)	133 (37.6)
Anemia	97 (28.0)	55 (15.9)	133 (37.6)	70 (19.8)
Nonhematologic AEs				
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	98 (28.3)	5 (1.4)	121 (34.2)	14 (4.0)
Diarrhea	82 (23.7)	9 (2.6)	87 (24.6)	11 (3.1)
Pyrexia	80 (23.1)	2 (0.6)	74 (20.9)	2 (0.6)
Nausea	72 (20.8)	3 (0.9)	76 (21.5)	4 (1.1)
Infections	231 (66.8)	80 (23.1)	170 (48.0)	52 (14.7)
Upper respiratory tract infection	91 (26.3)	7 (2.0)	49 (13.8)	5 (1.4)
Pneumonia	53 (15.3)	39 (11.3)	17 (4.8)	14 (4.0)
Second primary cancer	8 (2.3)	NA	9 (2.5)	NA
Any infusion-related reaction	96 (27.7)	15 (4.3)	NA	NA

Daratumumab –VMP (Alcyone)

Essential informations to remember:

D-VMP 18-months PFS → 72%

Benefit across all subgroups

MRD negativity in 18%

Minimal additional toxicity

Daratumumab

1st line

2nd – 3rd line

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Transplant eligible

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Transplant ineligible

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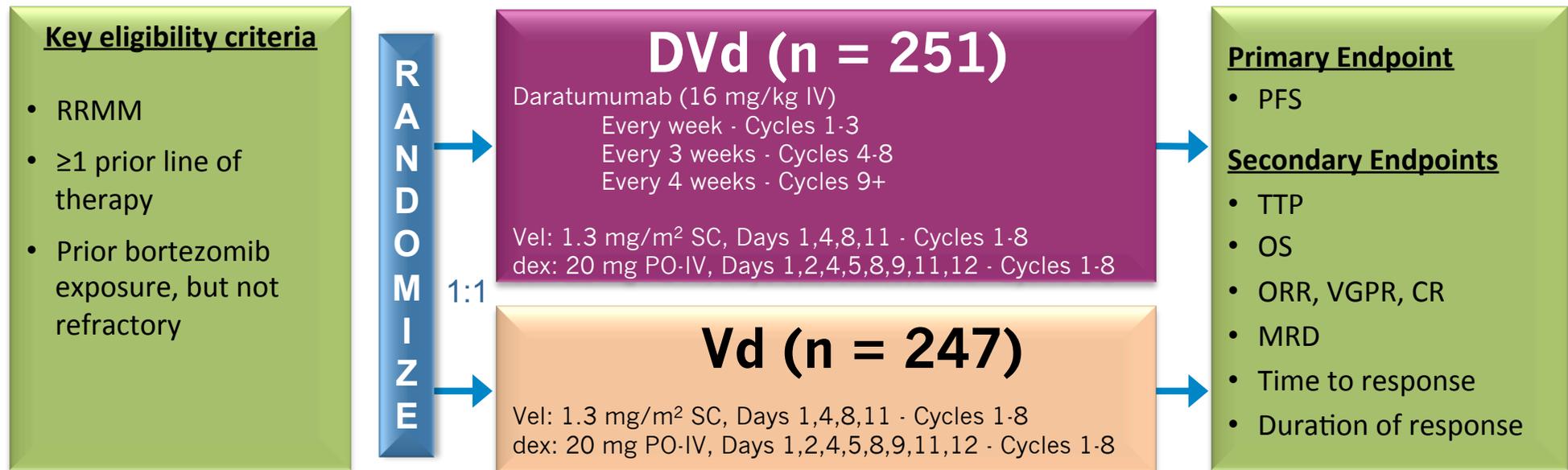
Dara - Rd

Dara mono

Dara - PD

Daratumumab – Vd (Castor)

Multicenter, randomized, open-label, active-controlled, phase 3 study



498 patients enrolled

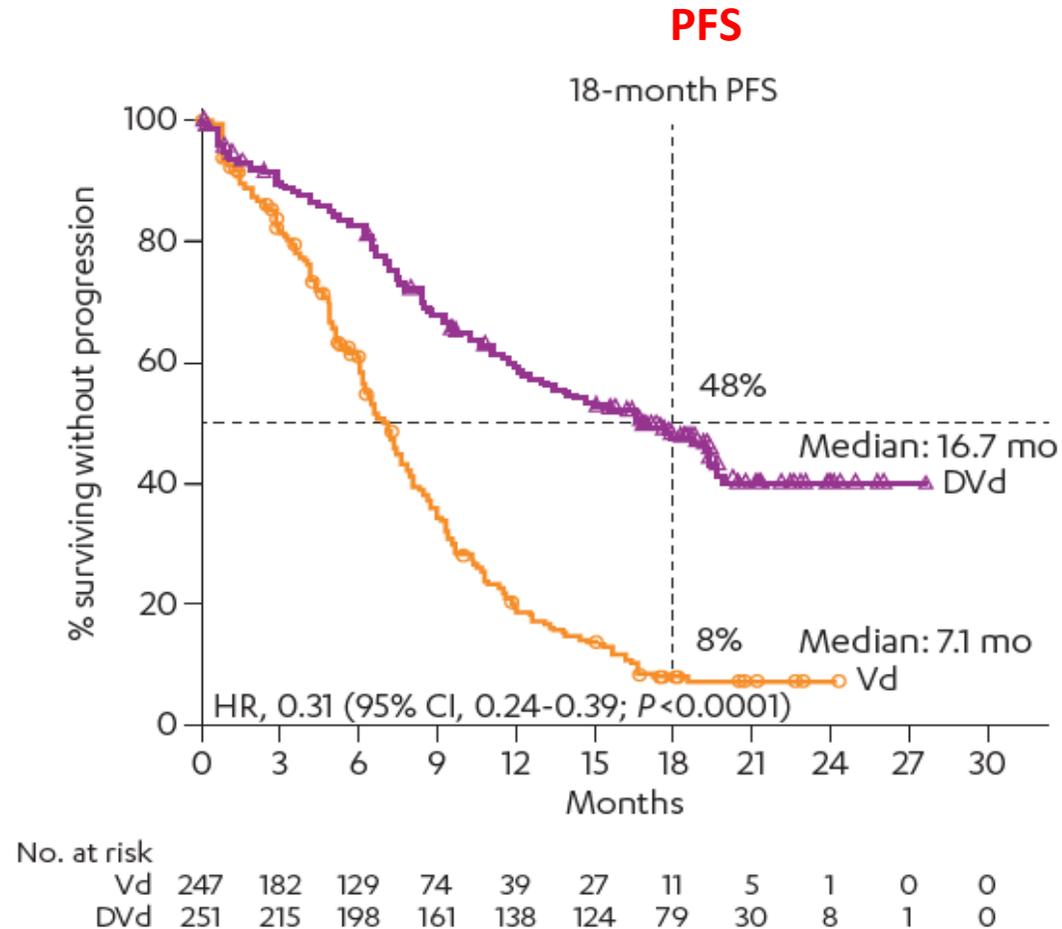
Daratumumab – Vd (Castor)

Baseline characteristics

	DVd	Vd
Age, median (range)	64 yrs (30-88)	64 yrs (33-85)
17p-	16%	12%
t(4;14)	8%	9%
Median time from diagnosis	3,8 yrs (0,7 - 20)	3,7 yrs (0,6 - 18)
Prior auto-SCT	62%	60%
Prior PI	67%	70%
Prior IMiD	71%	80%
Refractory to IMiD	30%	36%

Daratumumab – Vd (Castor)

CASTOR UPDATED RESULTS



	DVd	Vd
Median follow-up (range)	26.9	
Median duration of treatment, mo	13.4	5.2
Median PFS ITT, mo	16.7	7.1
HR (95% CI) <i>P</i> value	0.32 (0.25-0.40) $P < 0.0001$	
Median PFS 1PL, mo 24 mo – PFS rate	26.2 55%	7.9 8%
HR (95% CI) <i>P</i> value	0.23 (0.16-0.33) $P < 0.0001$	
ORR ^b , %	85	63
≥CR, %	30	10
MRD-negative (10^{-5}) ^a , %	12	2

Responses continue to deepen in the DVd group with longer follow-up

Daratumumab – Vd (Castor)

Toxicities G3-G4

	DaraVd	Vd
Neutropenia	12.8%	4.2%
Thrombocytopenia	45.0%	32.9%
Anemia	14.4%	16.0%
Pneumonia	10.3%	10.1%
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	4.5%	6.8%
Hypertension	6.6%	0.8%
Diarrhea	3.7%	1.3%

Daratumumab – Vd (Castor)

Essential informations to remember:

D-Vd median PFS → 17 months

Benefit across all subgroups

Minimal additional toxicity

Daratumumab

1st line

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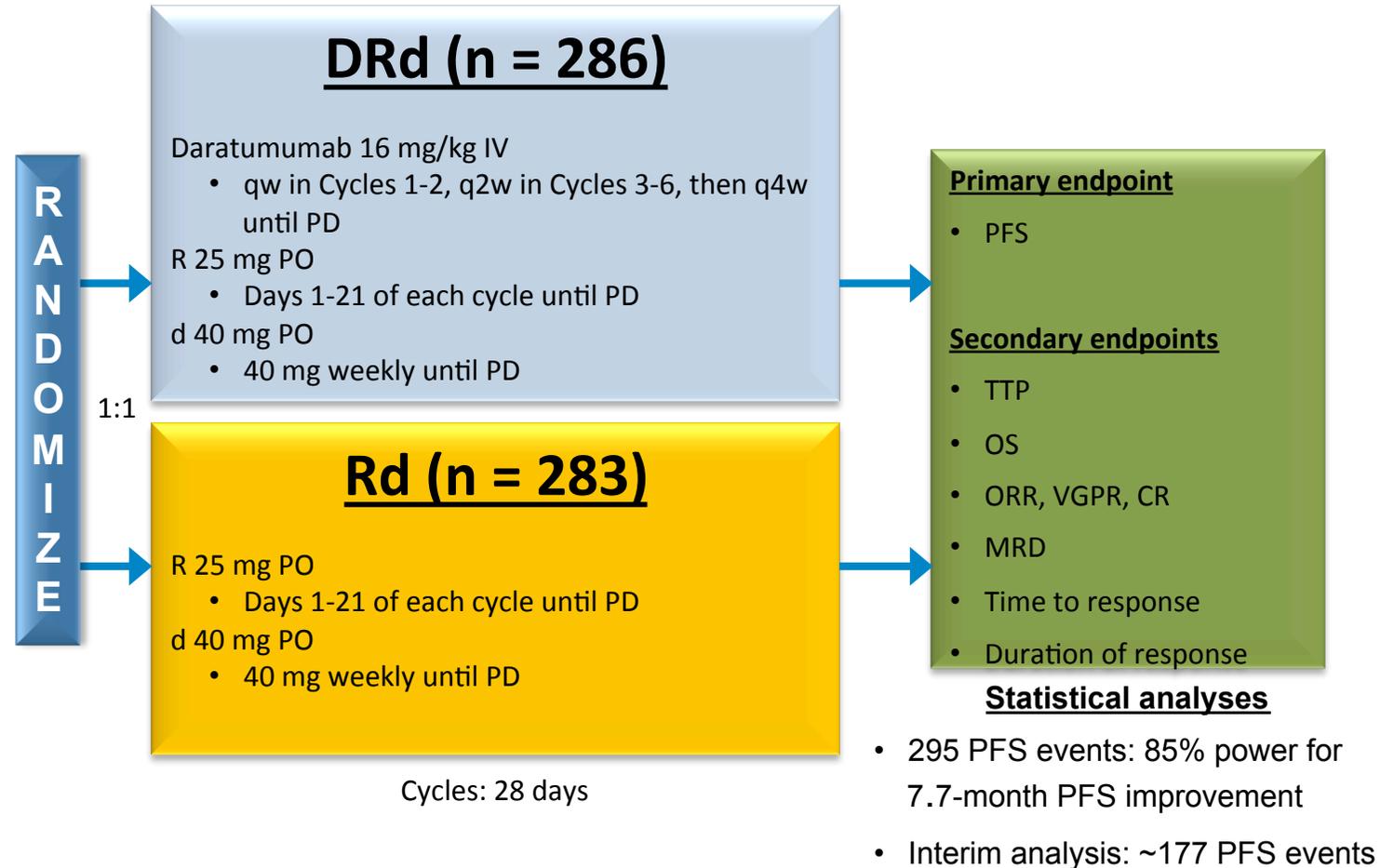
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Daratumumab – Rd (Pollux)

Multicenter, randomized, open-label, active-controlled, phase 3 study



Stratification factors

- No. prior lines of therapy
- ISS stage at study entry
- Prior lenalidomide

569 patients enrolled

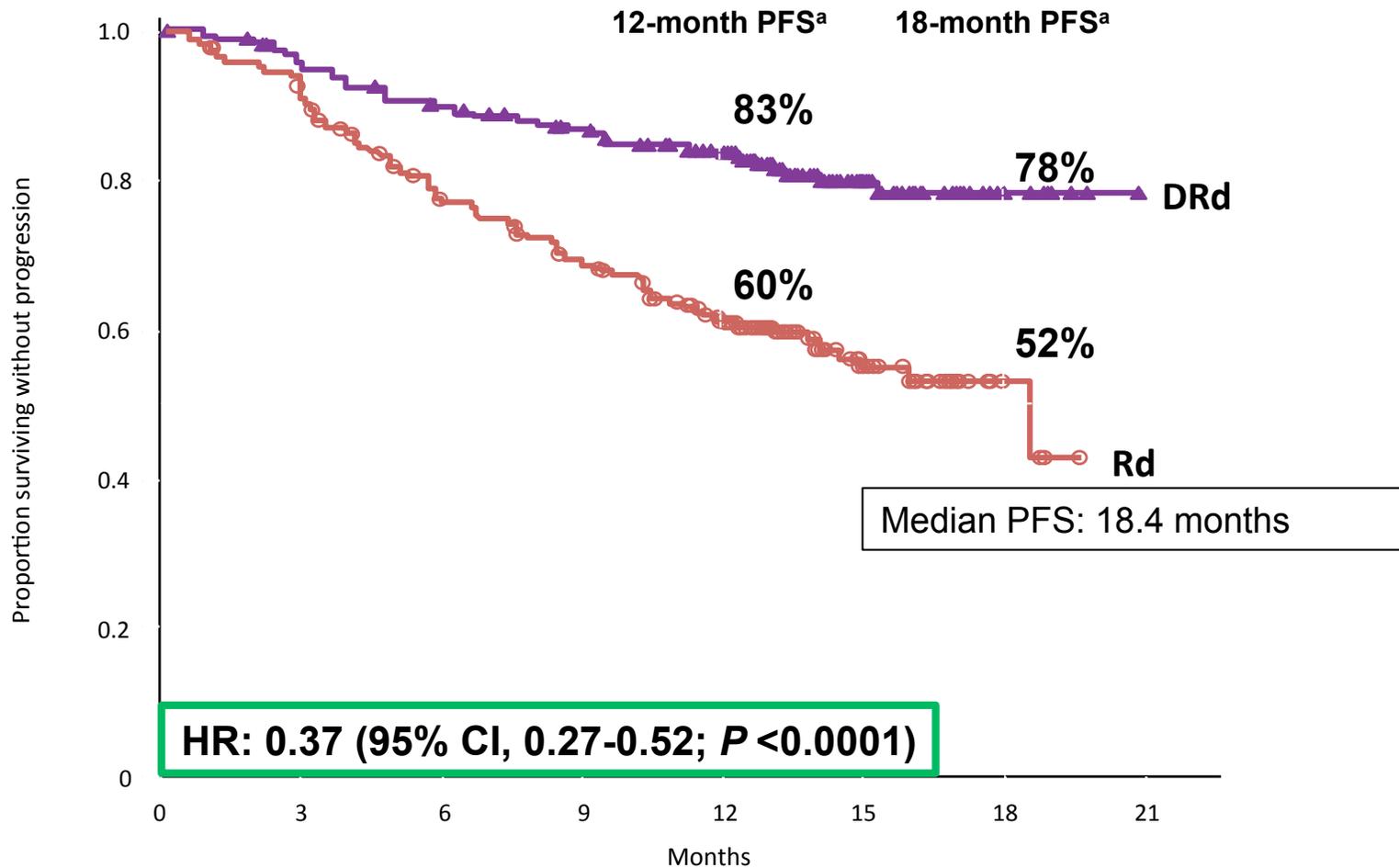
Daratumumab – Rd (Pollux)

Baseline characteristics

	DRd	Rd
Age, median (range)	65 yrs (34-89)	65 yrs (42-87)
High risk cytogenetic	15%	17%
ISS 3	20%	20%
Median time from diagnosis	3,5 yrs (0,4 - 27)	4,0 yrs (0,4 - 22)
Prior auto-SCT	63%	64%
Prior PI	86%	86%
Prior IMiD	55%	55%
Refractory to PI	20%	16%

Daratumumab – Rd (Pollux)

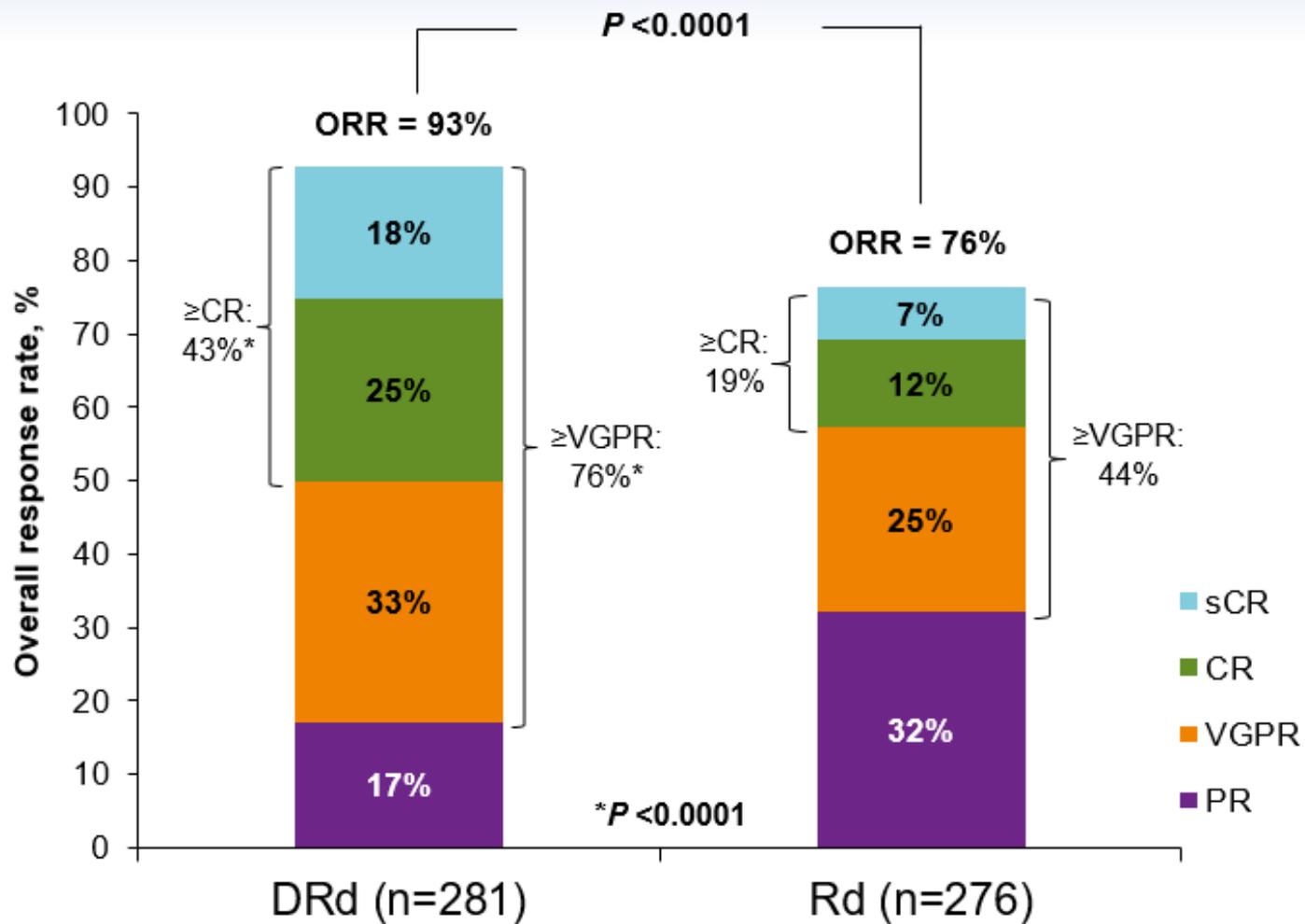
PFS



Median duration of response: **not reached** for DRd vs **17.4** months for Rd

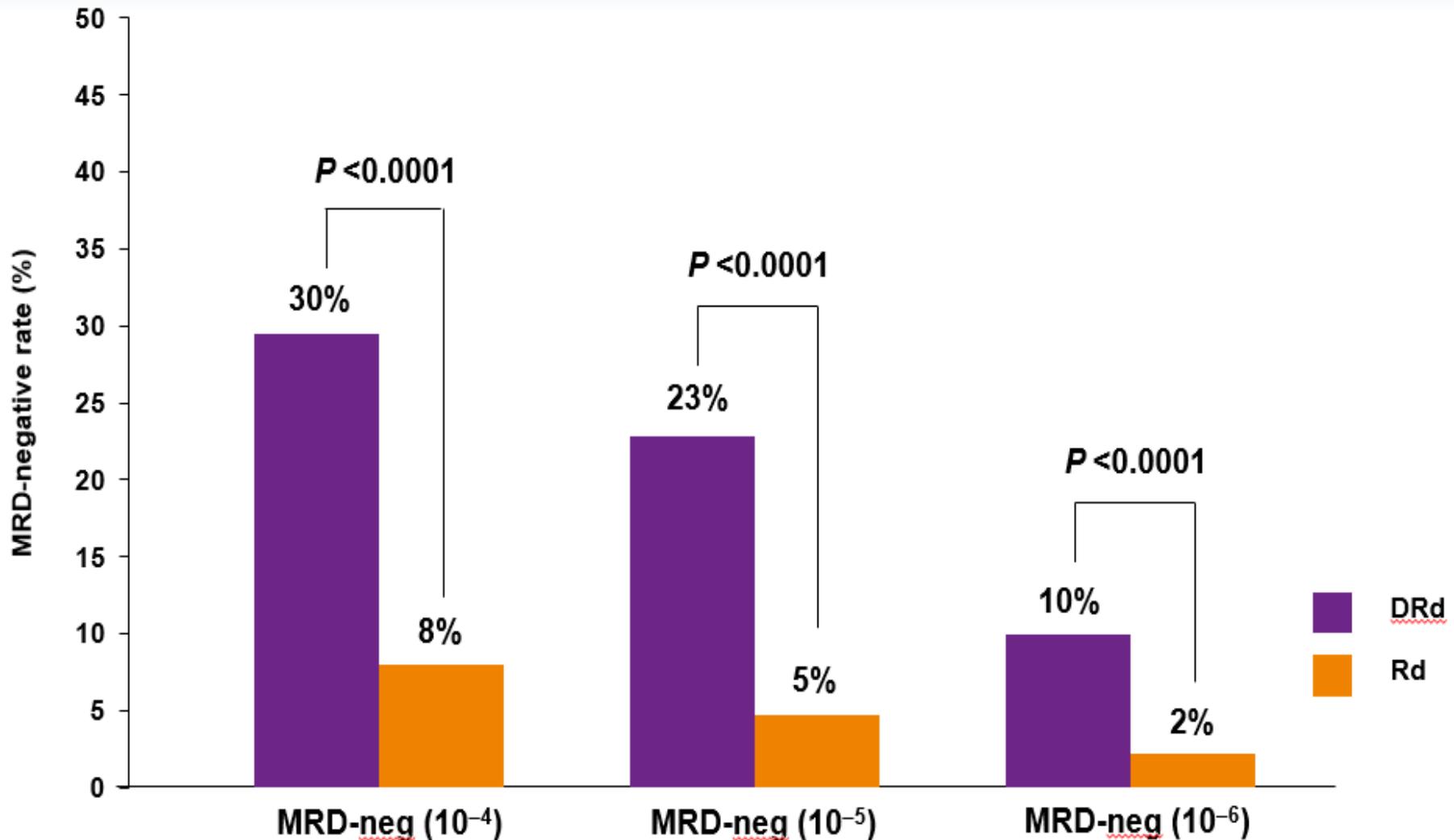
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ORR



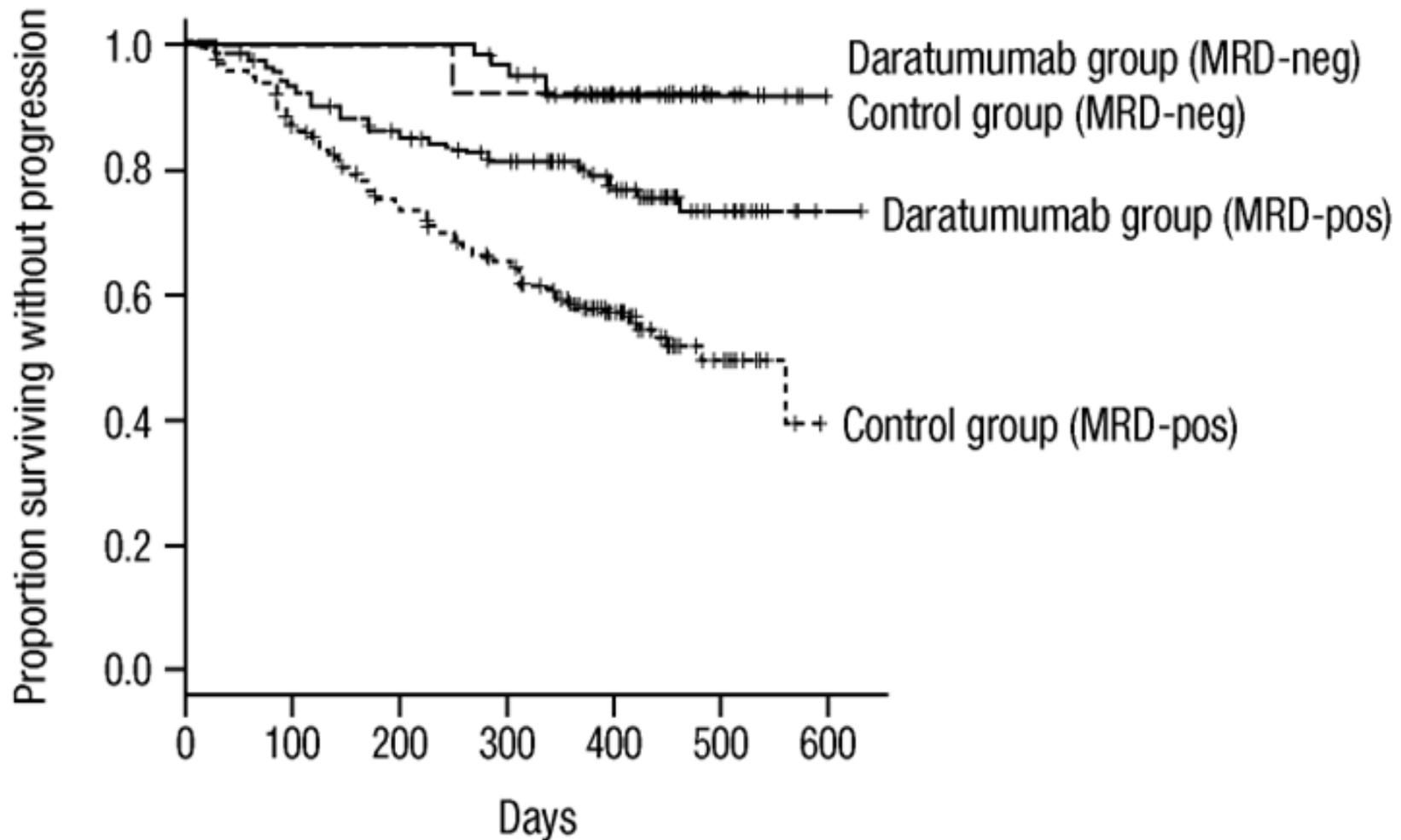
Daratumumab – Rd (Pollux)

MRD negativity rate



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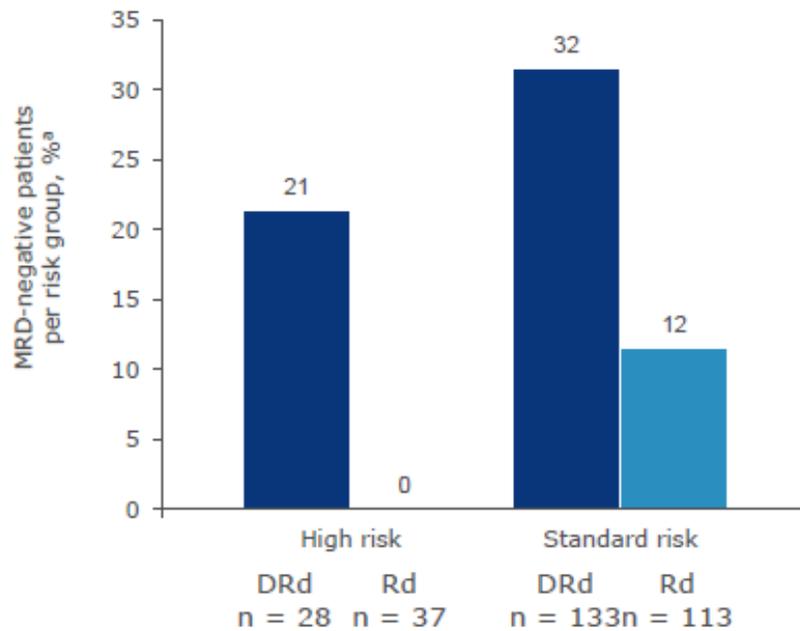
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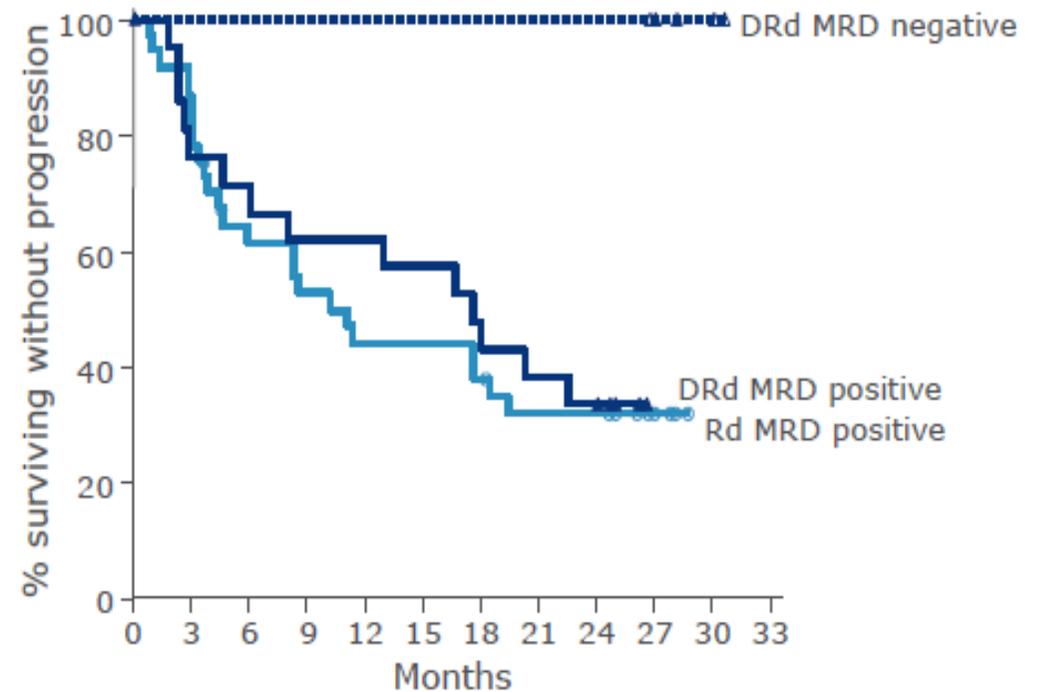
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MRD 10^{-5} by cytogenetic status

MRD 10^{-5} negativity rates

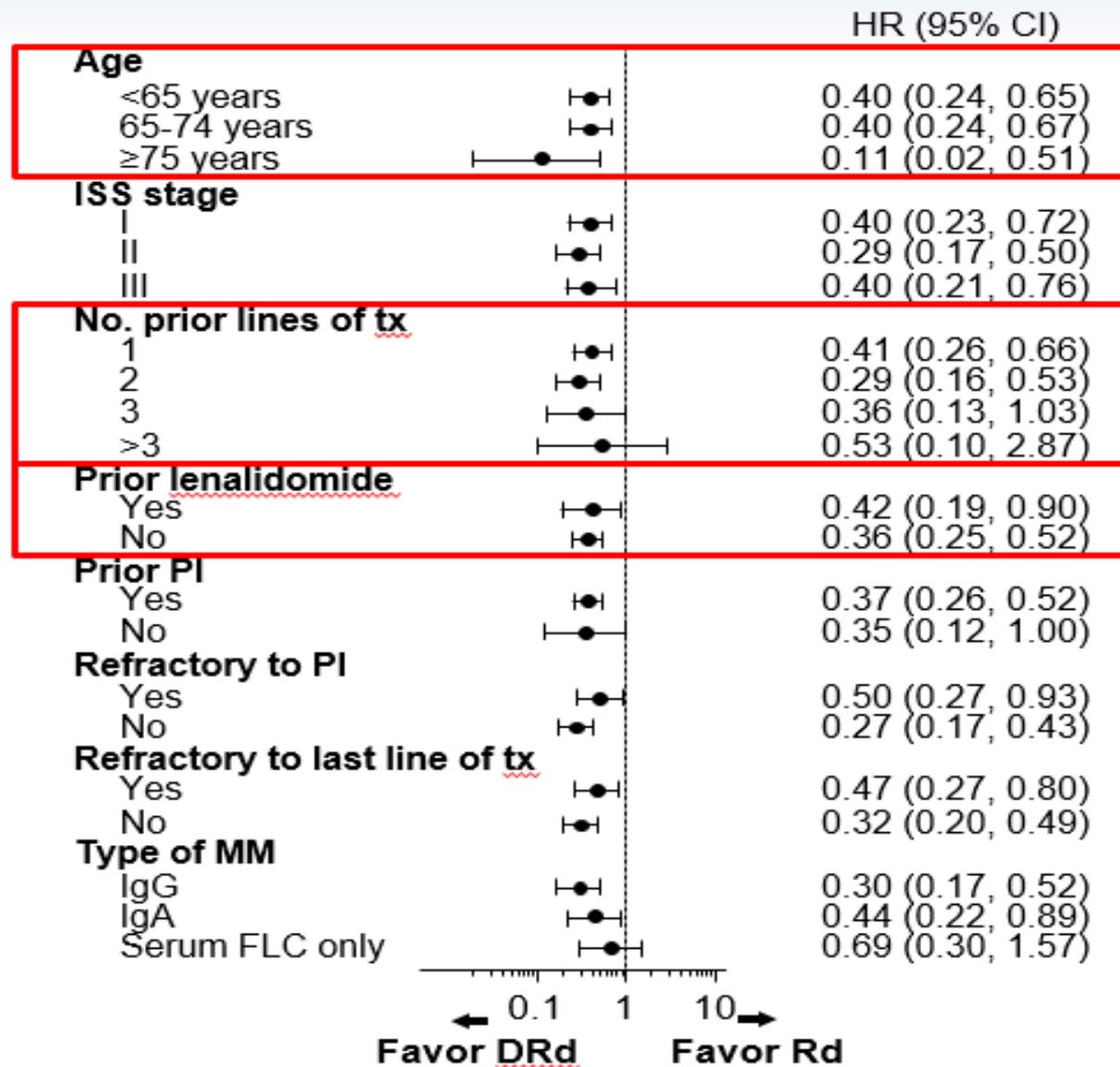


PFS in high risk patients



Daratumumab – Rd (Pollux)

Subgroup analysis for PFS



Daratumumab – Rd (Pollux)

Most relevant toxicities

	DRd		Rd	
	Any grade	Grade 3-4	Any grade	Grade 3-4
Thrombocytopenia	27%	13%	27%	13%
Neutropenia	59%	12%	35%	20%
Diarrhea	43%	5%	25%	3%
Anemia	31%	12%	35%	20%
Upper respiratory tract infect.	32%	1%	20%	1%
Cough	29%	0%	12%	0%
Pneumonia	14%	8%	13%	1%
Fatigue	35%	6%	28%	2%

Daratumumab – Vd (Pollux)

Essential informations to remember:

D-Rd 18-months PFS → 78%

Benefit across all subgroups

MRD 10-5 negativity in 23%

Minimal additional toxicity

Daratumumab

1st line

2nd – 3rd line

≥3rd line

Transplant eligible

Dara – VRd + AutoSCT

Transplant ineligible

Dara - Rd

Dara - VMP

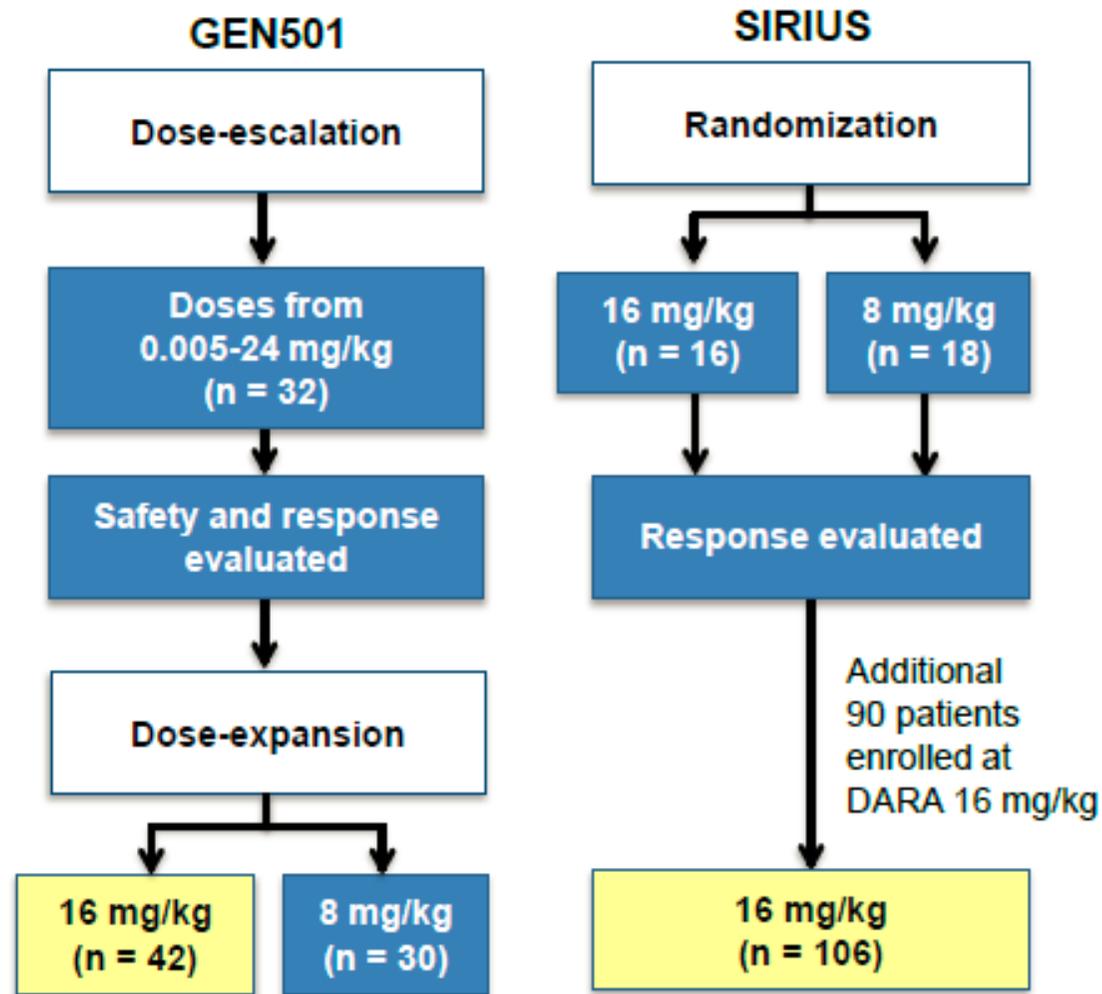
Dara - Vd

Dara - Rd

Dara mono

Dara - PD

Daratumumab monotherapy



**16 mg/kg
N = 148**

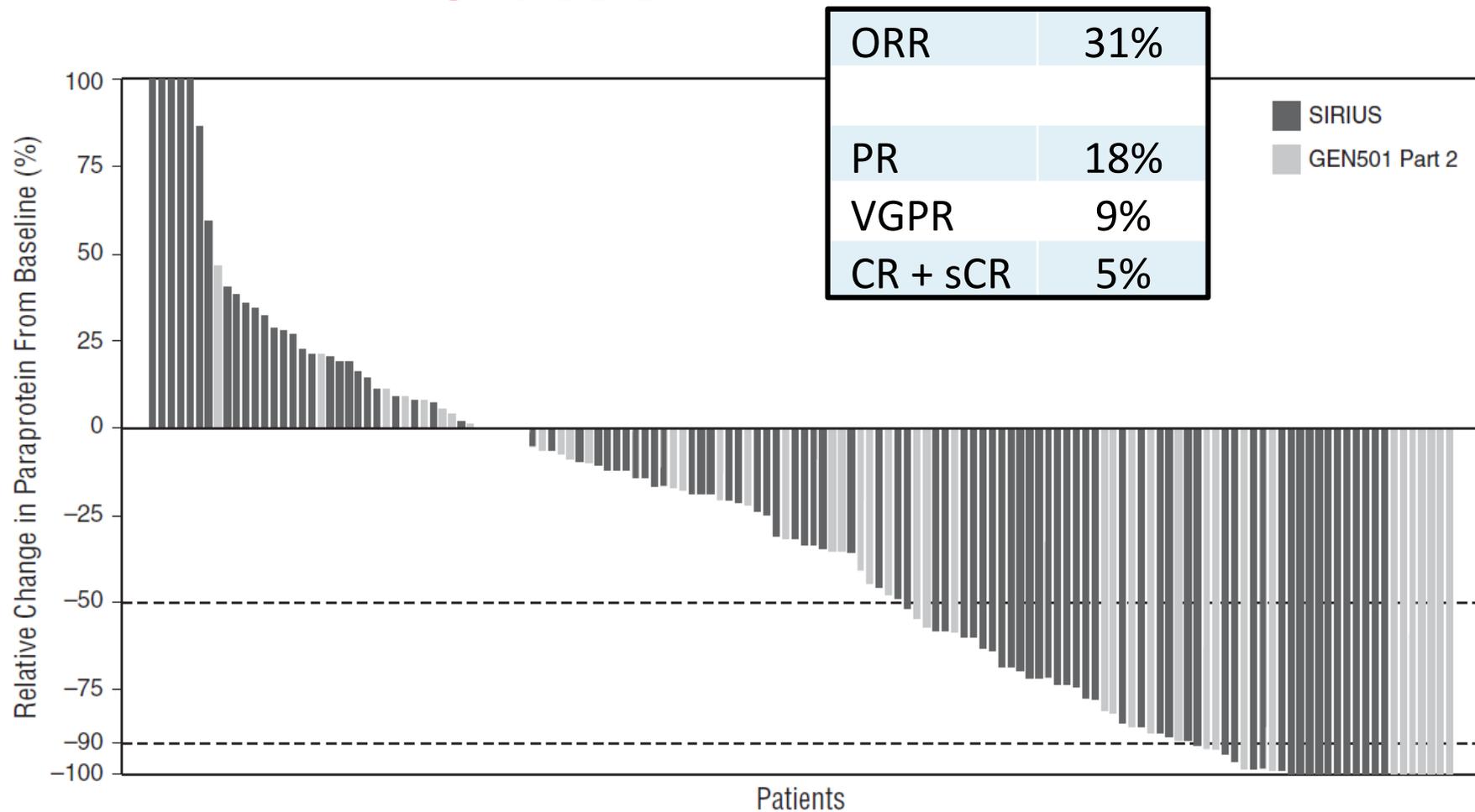
Daratumumab monotherapy

Baseline characteristics

	GEN501 42 pts	Sirius 106 pts	Combined studies 148 pts
Age, median (range)	64 (44-76)	63 (31-784)	64 (31-84)
Extramedullary plasmacytomas	10%	13%	12%
t(4;14)		10%	
del17p		17%	
amp1q		24%	
Previous lines, median (range)	4 (2-12)	5 (2-14)	5 (2-14)
Prior ASCT	74%	80%	78%
Prior bortezomib	100%	99%	99%
Prior carfilzomib	19%	50%	41%
Prior lenalidomide	95%	99%	99%
Prior pomalidomide	36%	63%	55%
Refractory to a PI + an IMiD	64%	95%	87%

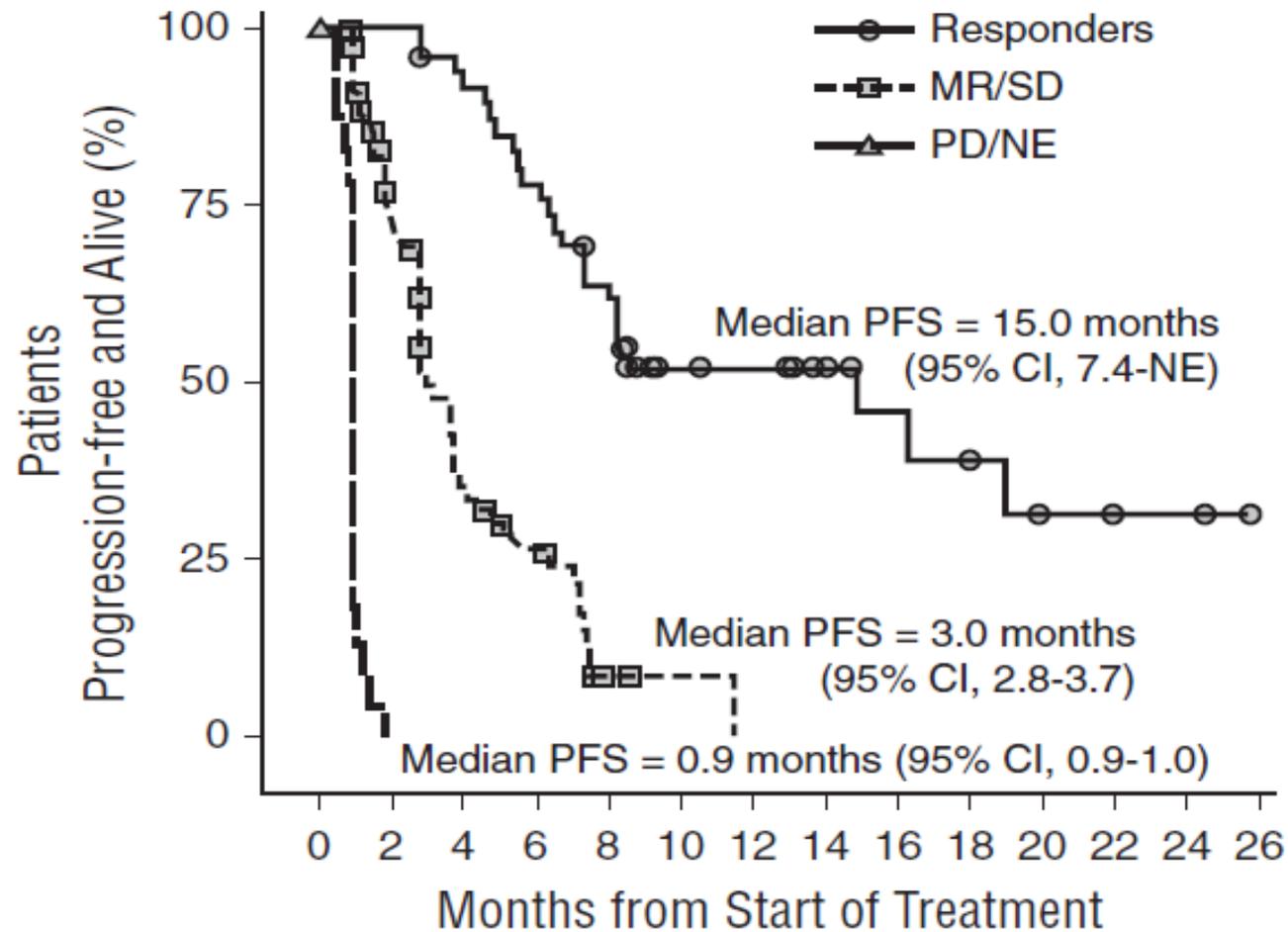
Daratumumab monotherapy

ORR



Daratumumab monotherapy

PFS



Daratumumab – Vd (Pollux)

Essential informations to remember:

ORR **31%**

Median PFS in \geq PR \rightarrow **15 months**

Daratumumab

1st line

2nd – 3rd line

≥3rd line

Transplant eligible

Dara – VRd + AutoSCT

Transplant ineligible

Dara - Rd

Dara - VMP

Dara - Vd

Dara - Rd

Dara mono

Dara - PD

Daratumumab – Poma - Dex

Phase 1b trial

Daratumumab 16 mg/kg weekly in cycle 1 + 2, every 2 weeks in cycles 3-6, then every 4 weeks

Pomalidomide 4 mg on days 1 to 21, every 4 weeks

Dexamethasone 40 mg (20 mg in >75 yrs) weekly

Daratumumab – Poma - Dex

Baseline characteristics

103 pts with refractory MM

Median age: **64 yrs** (range 35-86)

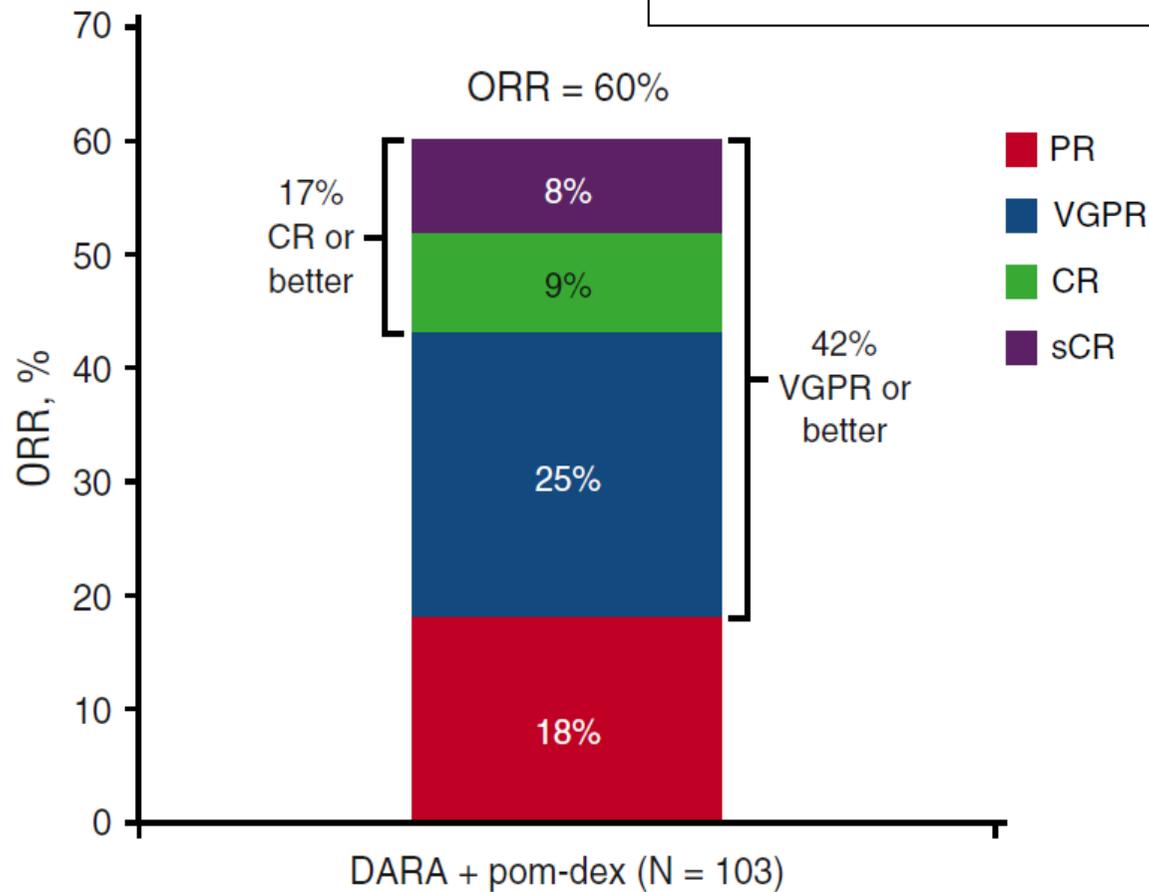
Prior therapy	
PI + IMiD	102 (99)
PI	102 (99)
BORT	101 (98)
CARF	34 (33)
IXA	2 (2)
LEN	103 (100)
THAL	29 (28)
BORT + LEN	101 (98)
BORT + LEN + CARF	34 (33)
Steroids	103 (100)
Chemotherapy	103 (100)

Refractory to	
PI only	9 (9)
IMiD only	21 (20)
PI + IMiD	73 (71)
Cytogenetic abnormality	
Standard risk	65 (75)
High risk‡	22 (25)
del17p	16 (18)
t(4;14)	6 (7)
t(14;16)	1 (1)

Daratumumab – Poma - Dex

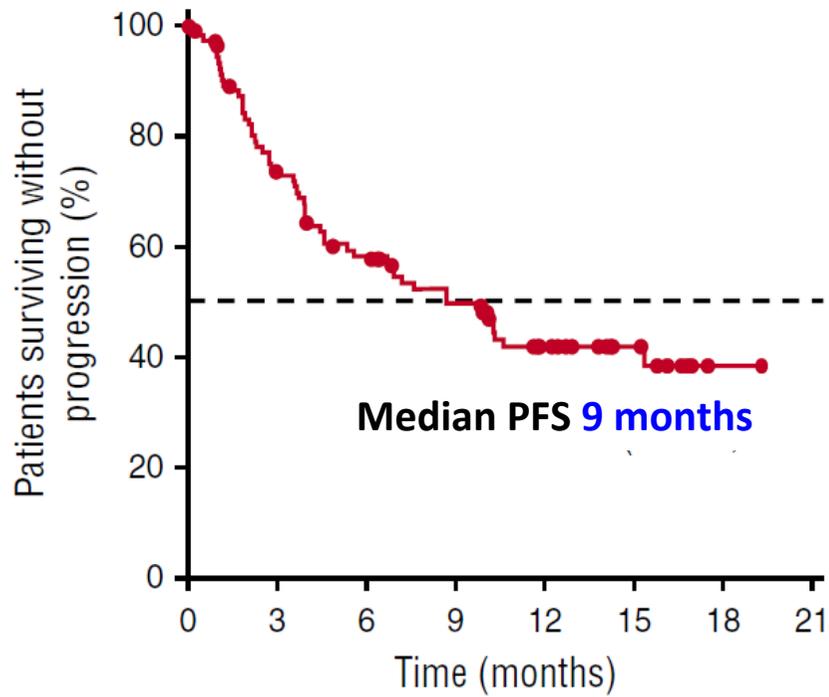
ORR

29% of CR pts were MRD 10⁻⁵ negative

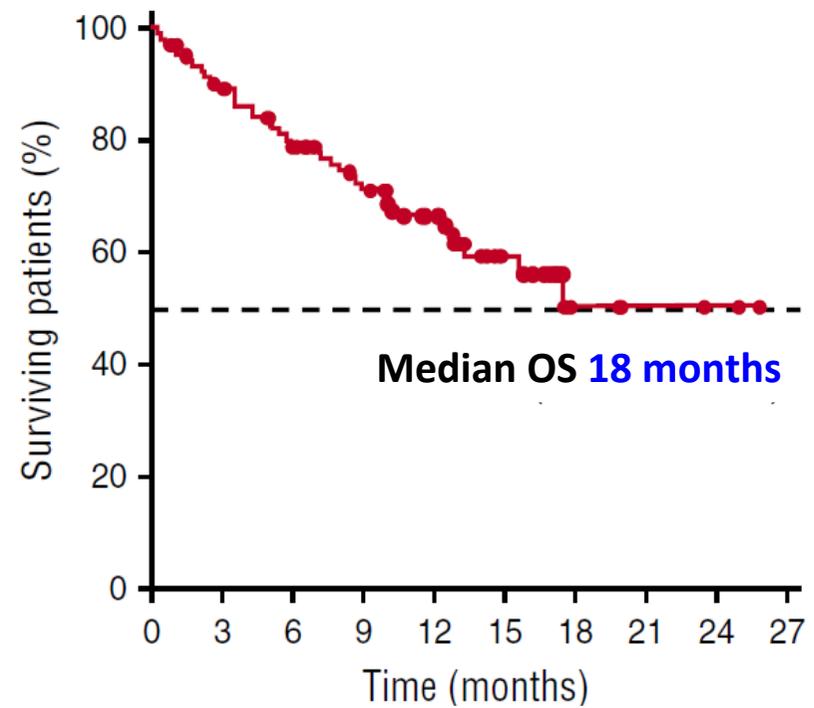


Daratumumab – Poma - Dex

PFS

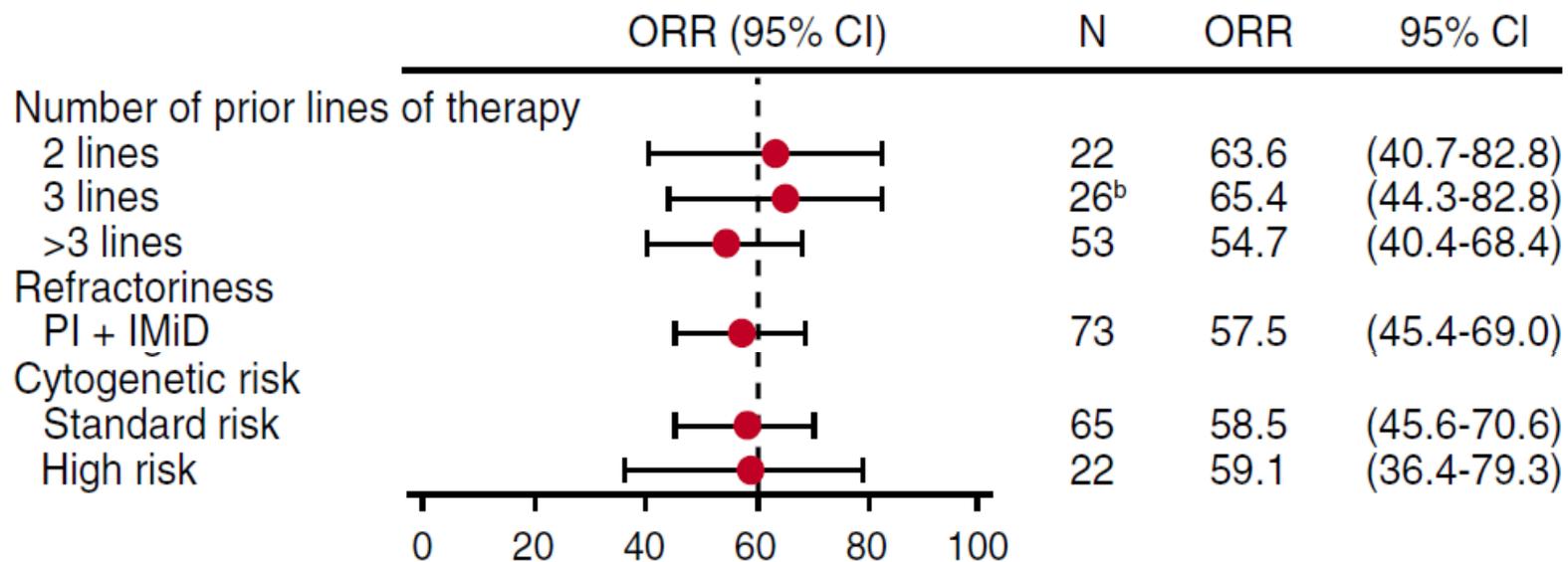


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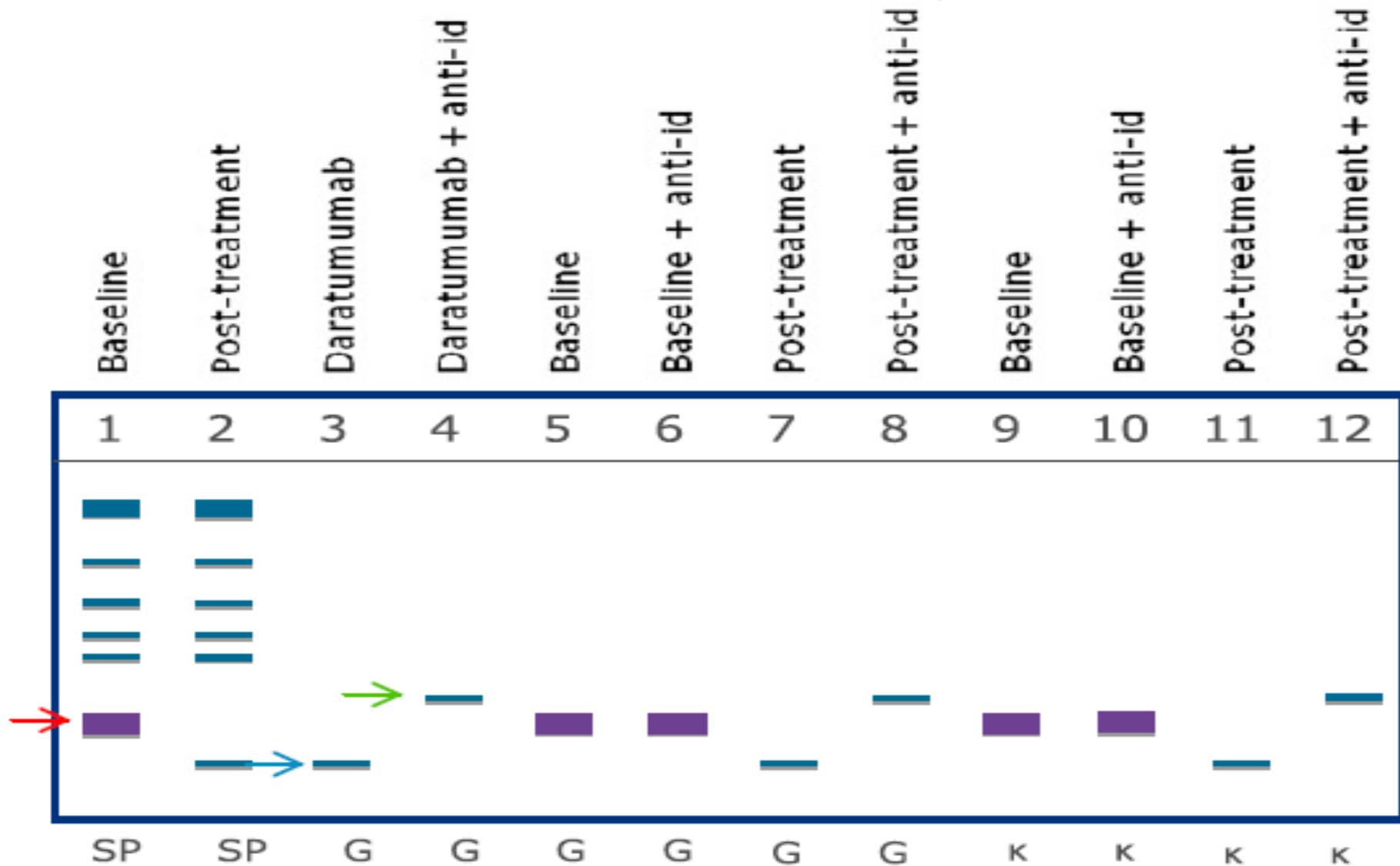


Daratumumab – Poma - Dex

Subgroup analysis for ORR

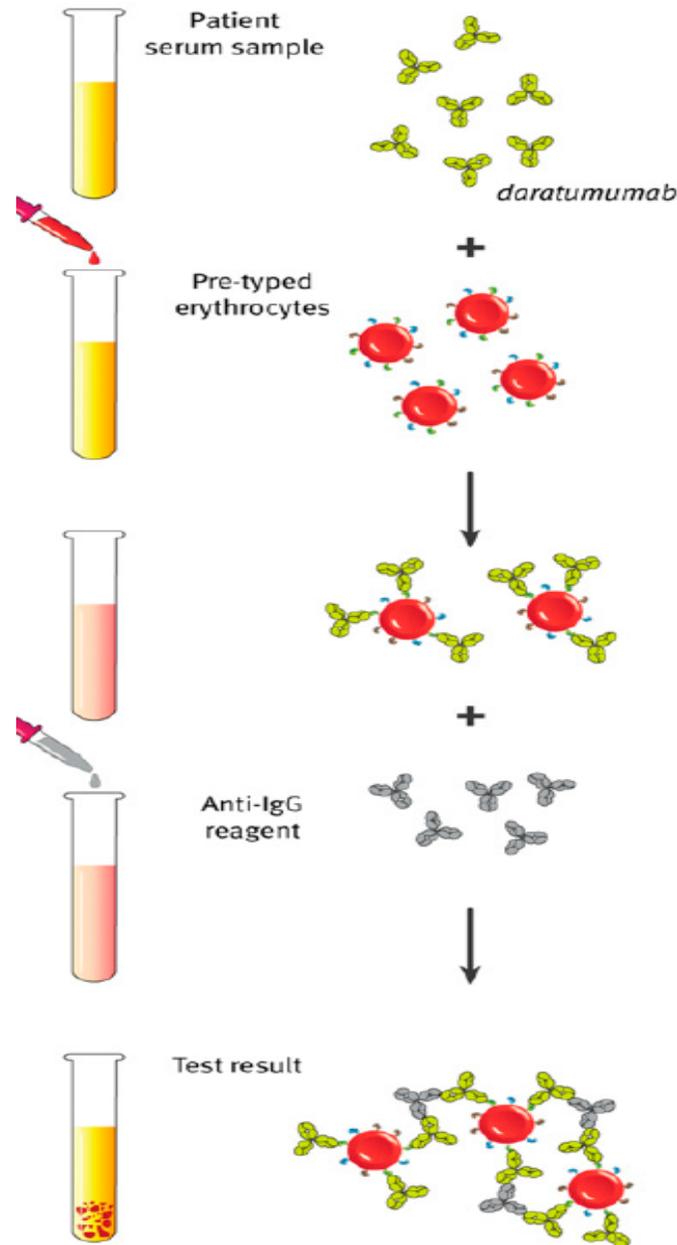


Daratumumab and serological response



DIRA negative
→ no M-protein

Daratumumab and blood compatibility testing



How to manage this situation

- 1) Extensive red cell phenotyping before Dara start
- 2) RBC group genotyping (alternative: expensive!)
- 3) CD38 denaturation with dithiothreitol (DTT) before blood compatibility testing (KELL will be denaturated)

- General considerations
- Elotuzumab
- Daratumumab
- **Future developments**

New monoclonal antibodies for MM

Agent	Target	Company	Features	Clinical Study
Antibody—drug conjugates				
GSK2857916	BCMA	GSK	J6M0-mcMMAF	Phase I
Indatuximab ravtansine	CD138	Biotest	nBT062-SPDB-DM4	Phase I-IIa
Bispecific antibodies				
BCMA bispecific	BCMA	Pfizer	CD3, IgG-like	Preclinical
EM801	BCMA	Celgene	CD3, IgG-like	Preclinical
AMG420	BCMA	Amgen	CD3, BiTE	Preclinical
FcRH5/CD3 TDB	FcRH5	Genentech	CD3, IgG-like	Preclinical
BiTE-IgFc (STL001)	CD138	Unknown	BiTE-Fc fusion	Preclinical