



Predictive biomarkers

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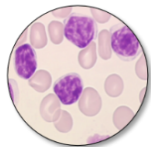
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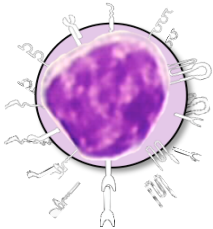
Biomarker: variable that associates with disease outcome



Host Factors: **Age**, **sex**, etc

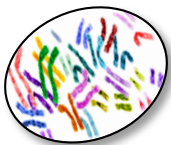


Disease Markers: **Stage**, lymphocyte count, **LDT**, etc

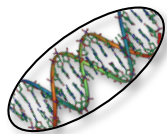


Ag expression: CD38, Zap70, **CD49d**, etc

Serology: **β 2M**, TK, LDH, sCD23, etc



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

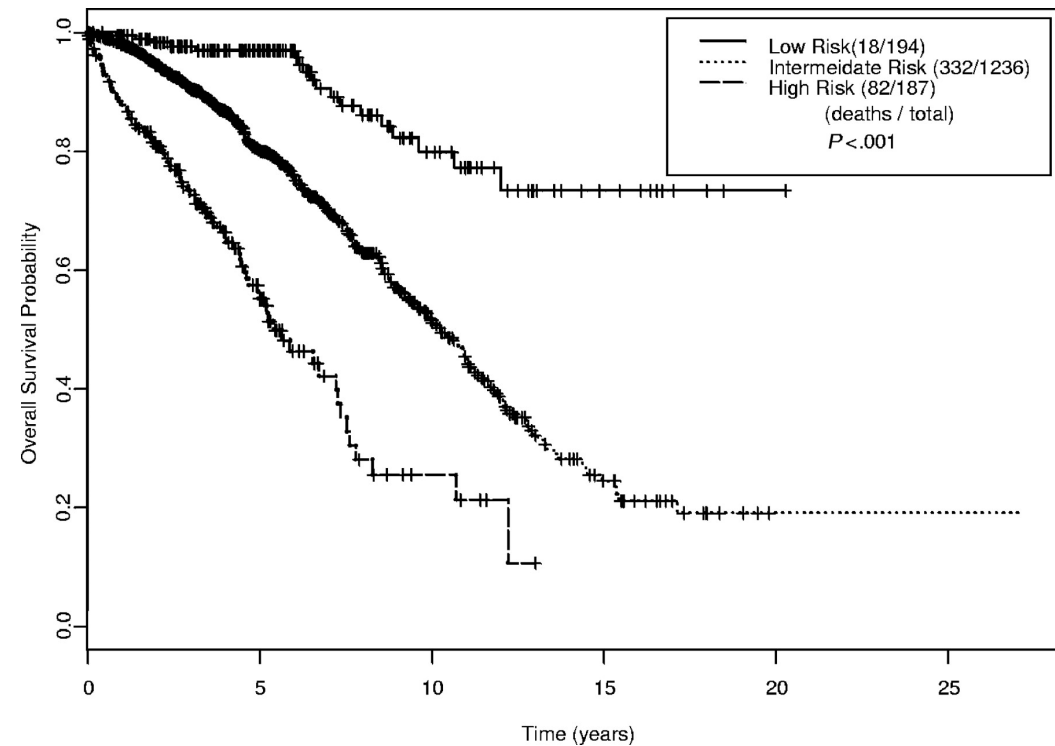


Biology Markers: **IGVH-sequence**, BCR-structure

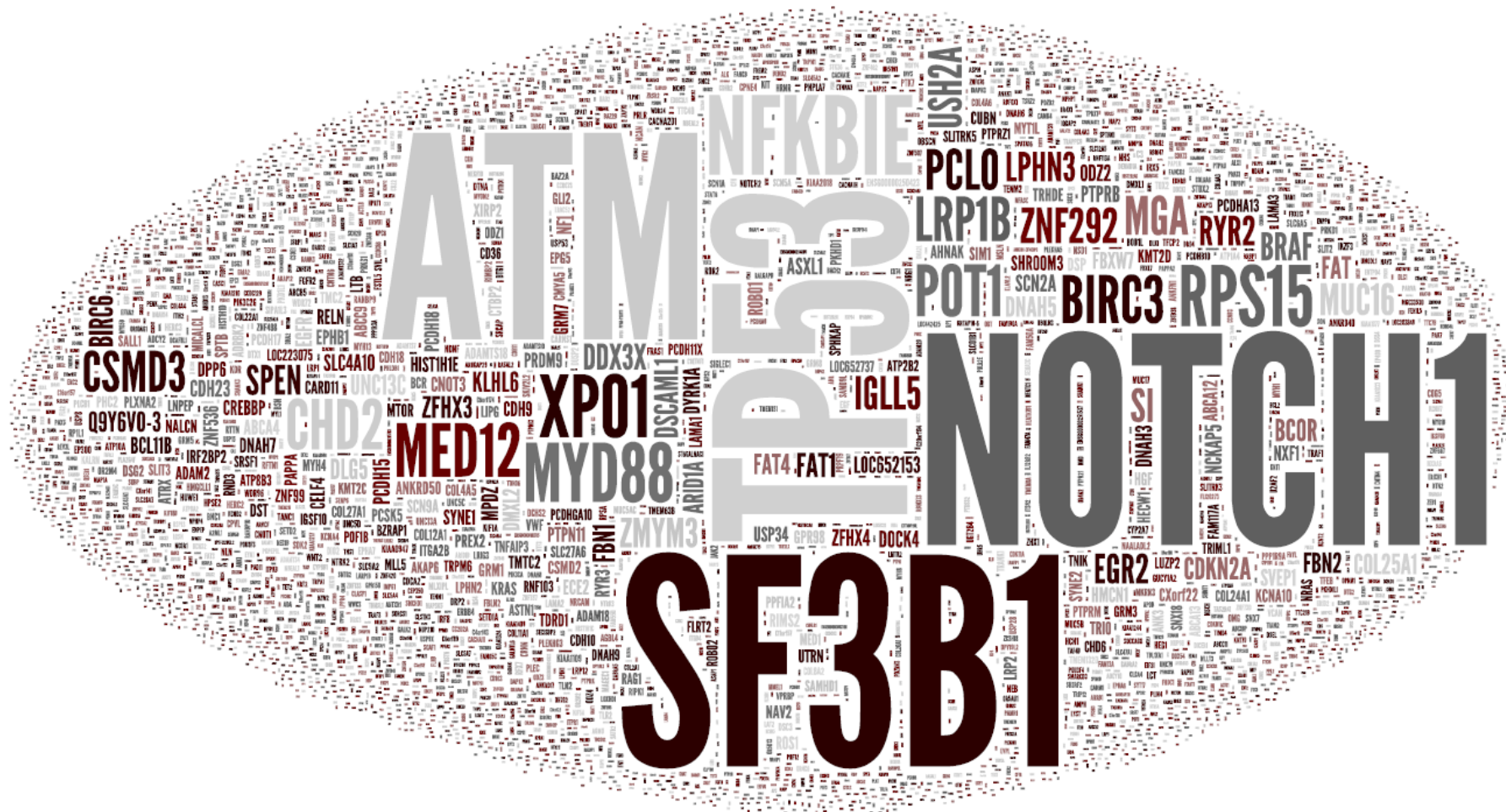
MDACC score

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
β2-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%

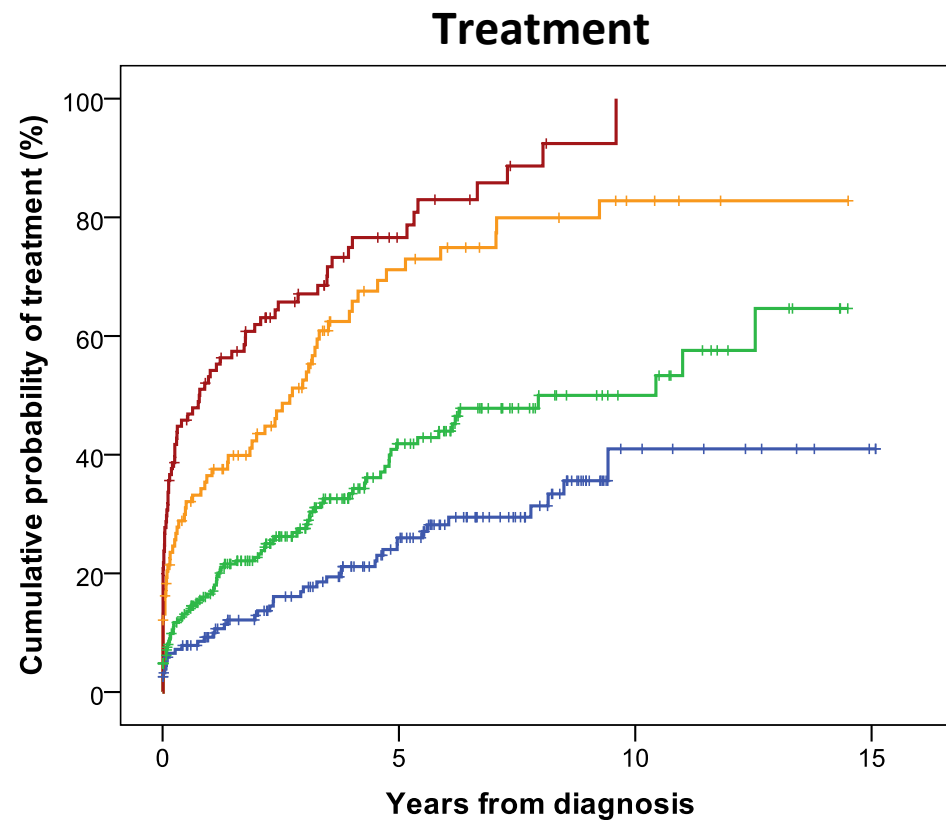
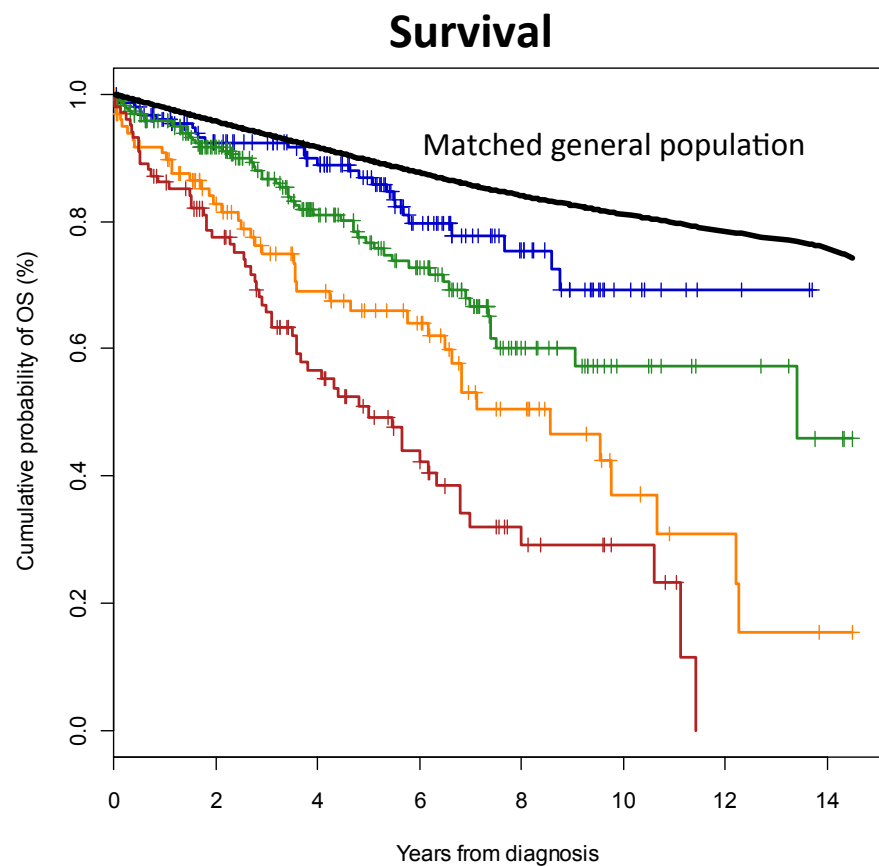


The mutational landscape of CLL



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

Integrating mutation and cytogenetics for CLL survival prognostication



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

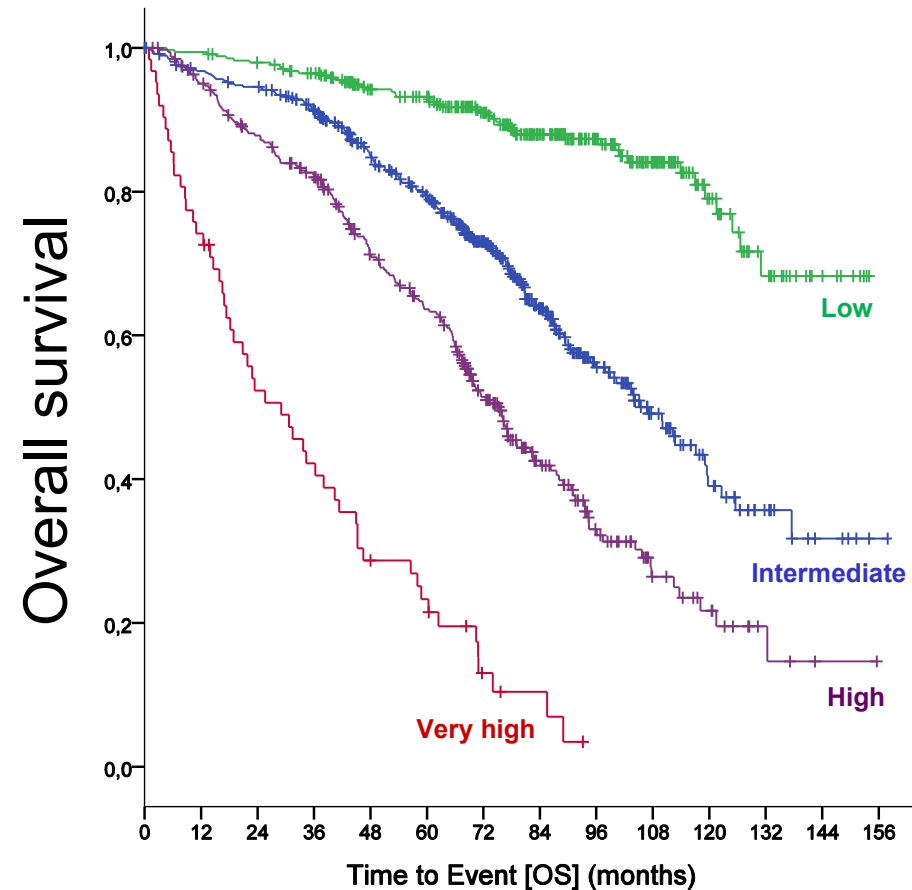
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del13q	84%	41%
Normal/+12	70%	50%
NOTCH1 M/SF3B1 M/del11q	48%	83%
TP53 DIS/BIRC3 DIS	37%	100%

CLL-IPI

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

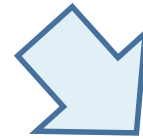
Risk group	Score	Patients N (%)	5-year OS, %
Low	0 – 1	340 (29)	93.2
Intermediate	2 – 3	464 (39)	79.4
High	4 – 6	326 (27)	63.6
Very High	7 – 10	62 (5)	23.3

Overall survival (all patients)



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**Clinical stage
iwCLL criteria**



Asymptomatic

Symptomatic



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Treatment

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Biomarkers that identify unfit patients

MDACC	↑ myelosuppression/dose reductions in patients >60 yrs ¹ ↑ early treatment discontinuations in patients ≥70 yrs ²
CLL8	↑ hematological toxicity in patients ≥65 yrs ³ ↑ adverse events in pts with increased CIRS ⁴
CLL10	↑ infections in patients >65 yrs ⁵
REACH	↑ adverse events in patients with decreased CrCl ⁶

¹Keating et al. J Clin Oncol. 2005; ²T Ferrajoli A, et al. Leuk Lymphoma. 2005: S86; ³Hallek et al. Lancet. 2010 ; ⁴Goede et al. Haematologica (EHA meeting abstracts). 2012; ⁵Eichhorst et al. Blood. 2014 (ASH meeting abstracts) ; ⁶Robak et al. J Clin Oncol. 2010

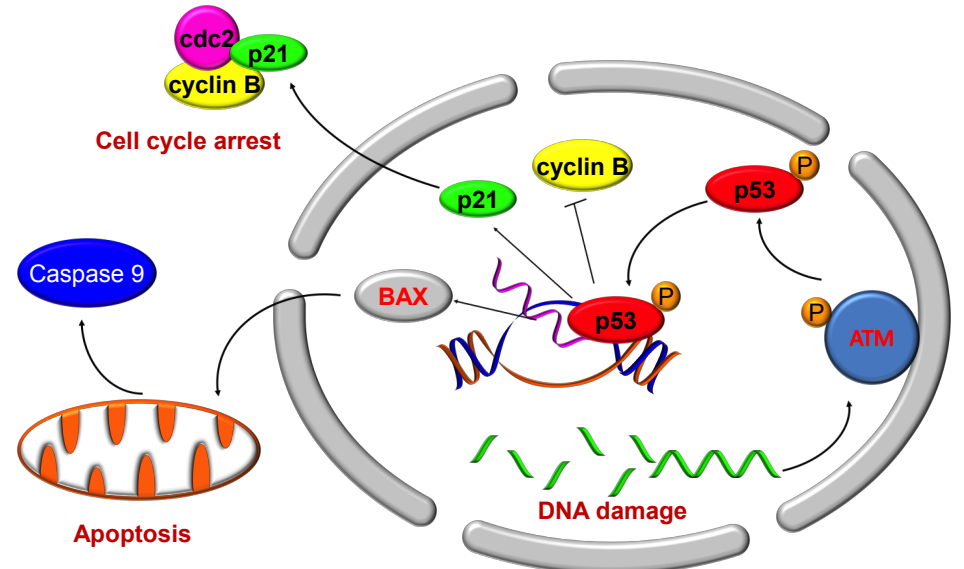
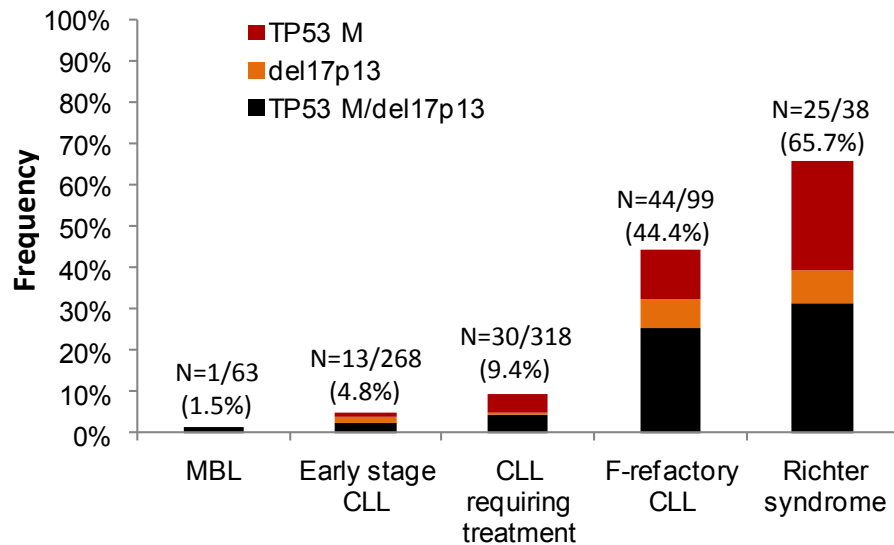
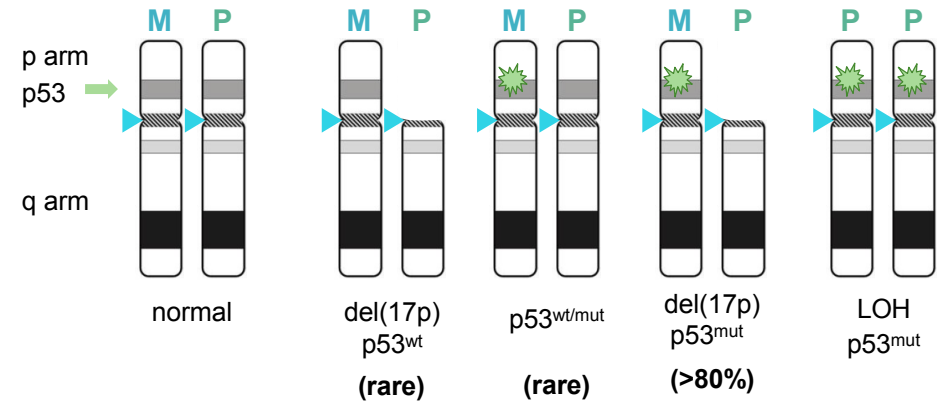
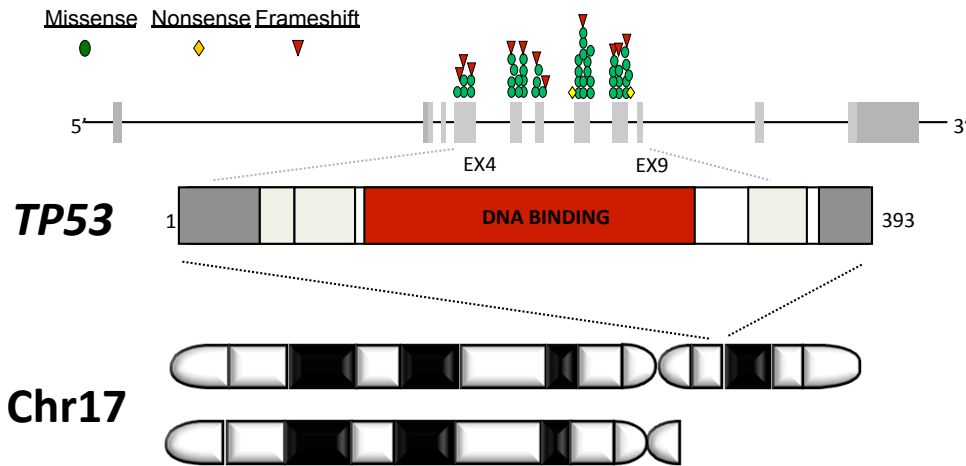
SIOG recommendation for the identification of pts **less fit for FCR**:

- Older age (e.g. **≥65 years**)
- Higher comorbidity burden (e.g. **CIRS >6**)
- Impaired renal function (e.g. **CrCl <70 mL/min**)

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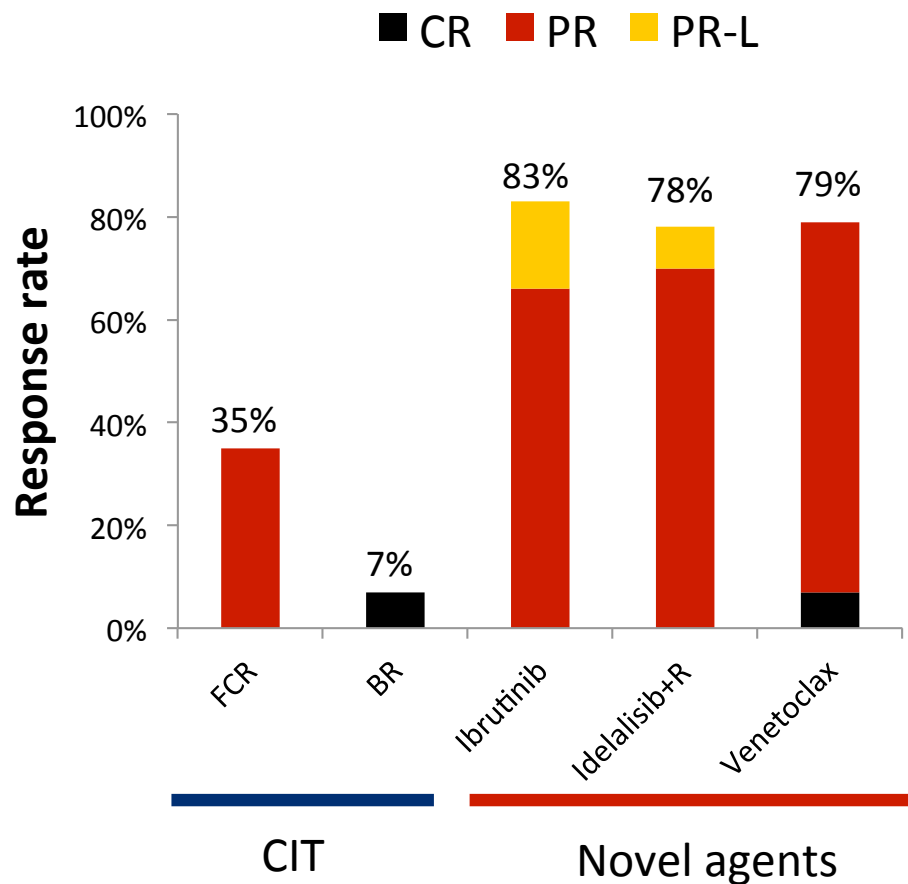
TP53 abnormalities in CLL



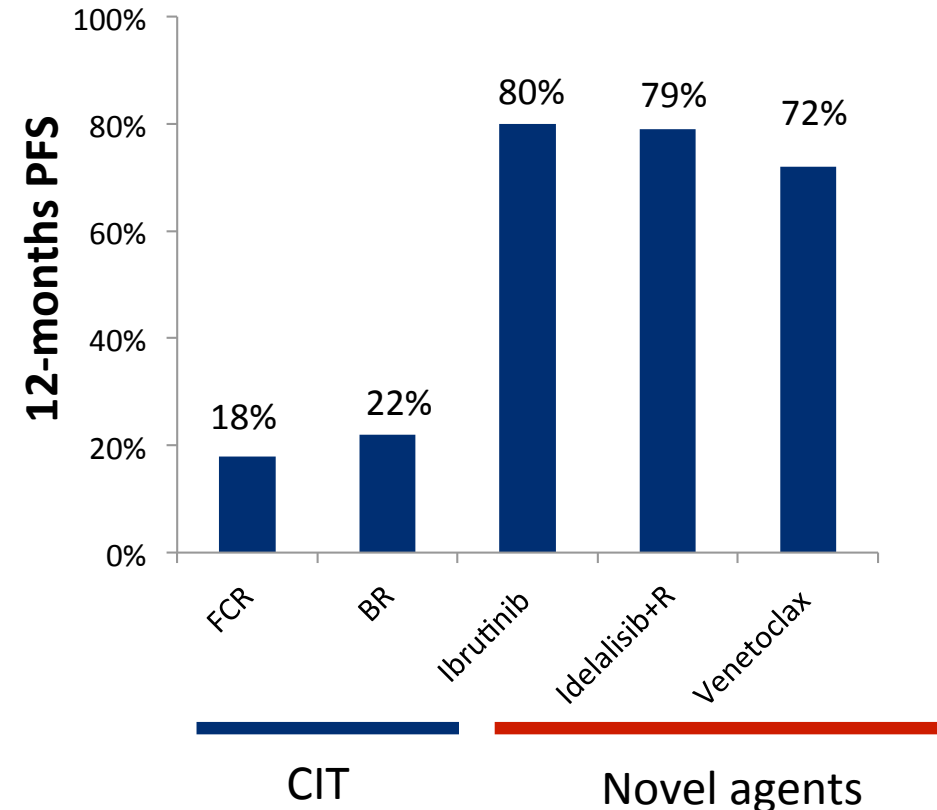
Chemoimmunotherapy (CIT) vs novel agents in *TP53* disrupted CLL ‡

Relapsed/Refractory CLL

Response rate



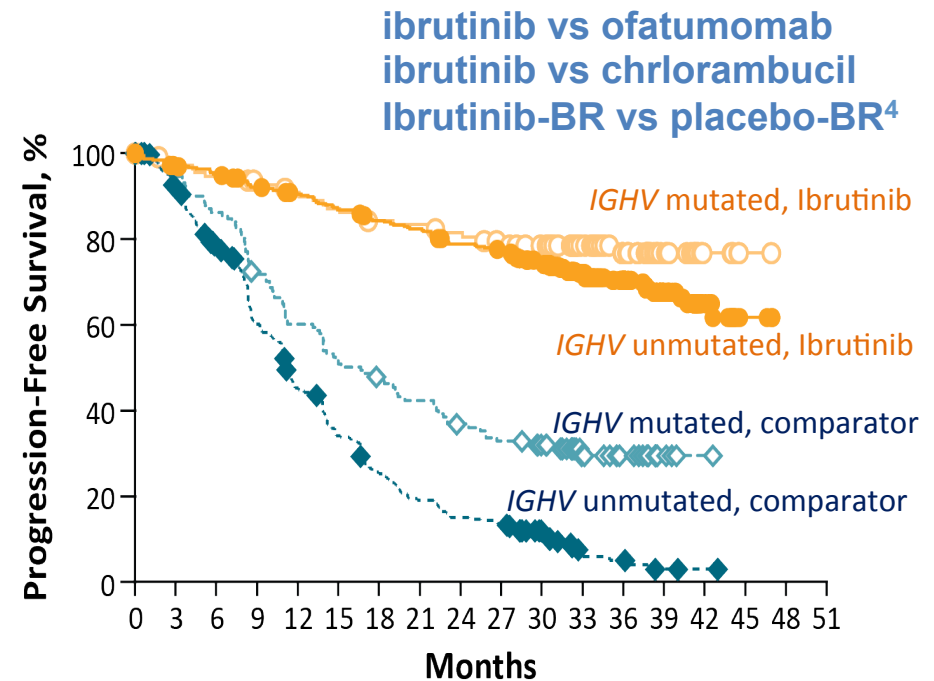
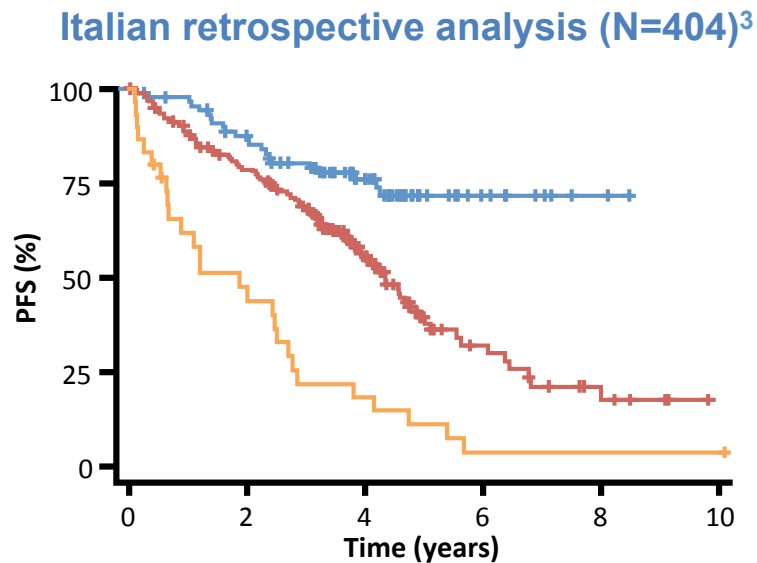
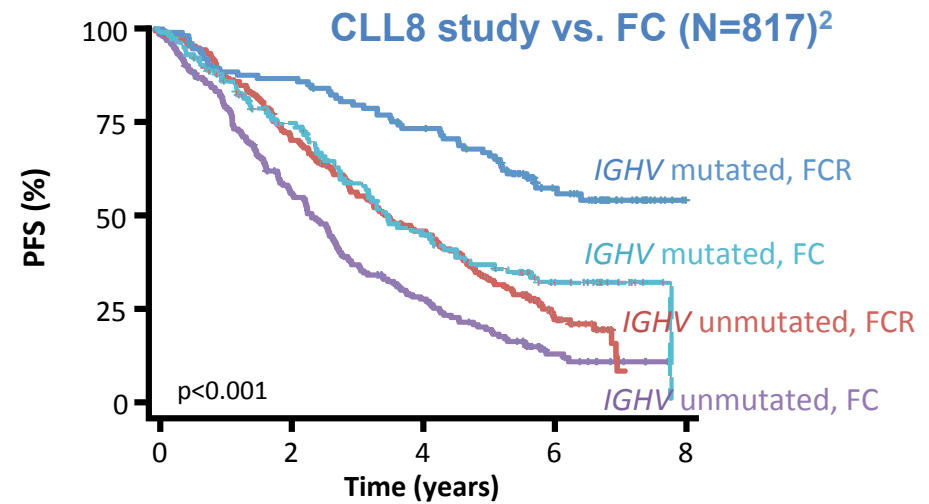
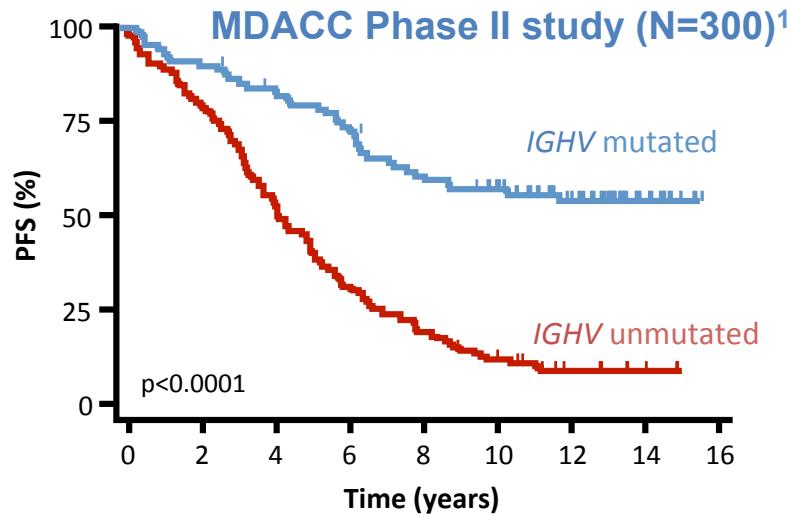
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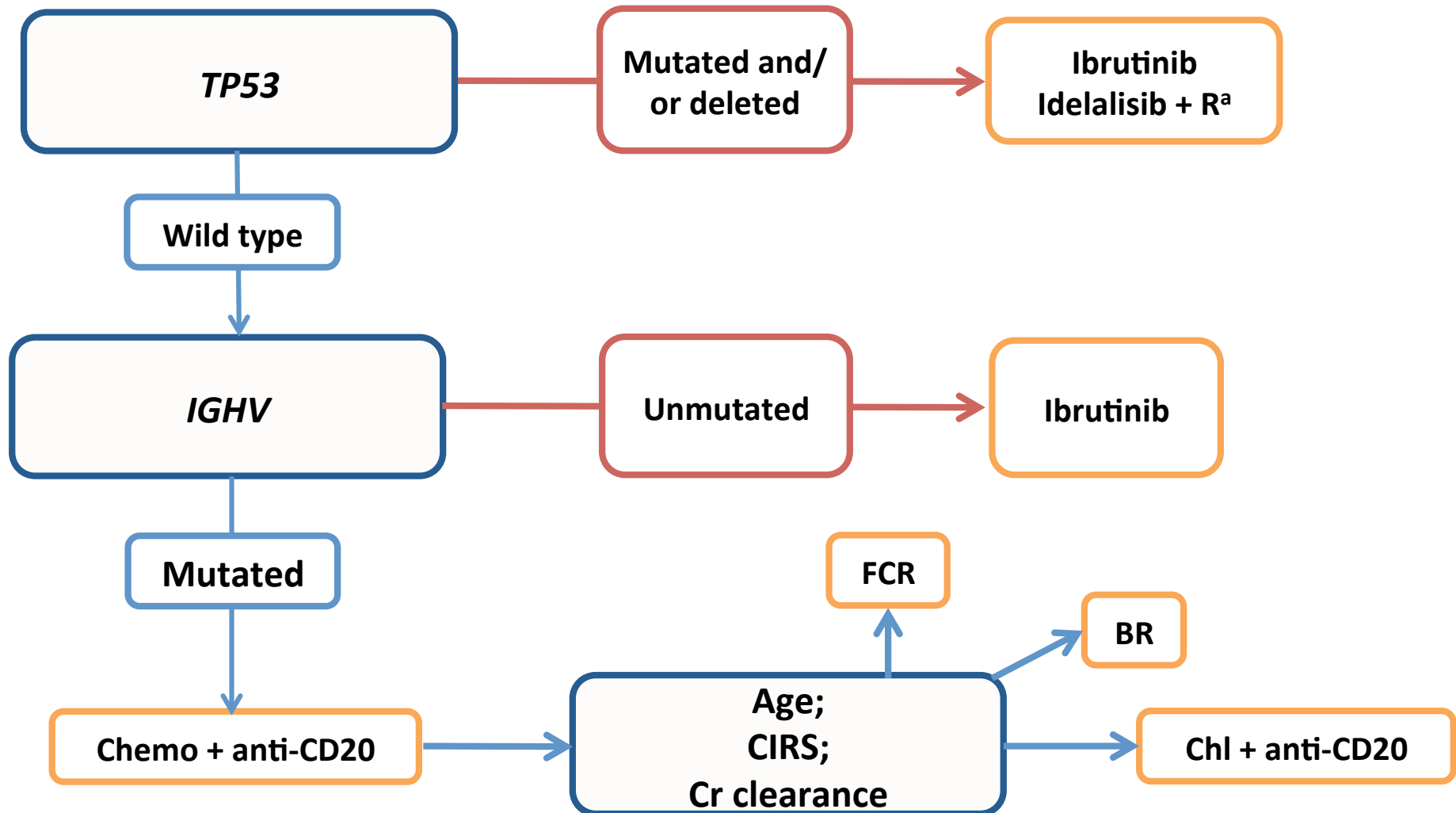
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IGHV mutated patients gain the greatest benefit from FCR



1. Thompson PA, et al. *Blood* 2016; 127:303–309. 2. Fischer K, et al. *Blood* 2016; 127:208–215. 3. Rossi D et al. *Blood* 2015; 126 1921–1924, 4. Kipps T et al. ICML14

Can first line treatment be informed by biomarkers?



^a In patients who are not eligible for any other therapies
Chl: chlorambucil; CIRS: Cumulative Illness Rating Scale; Cr: creatinine

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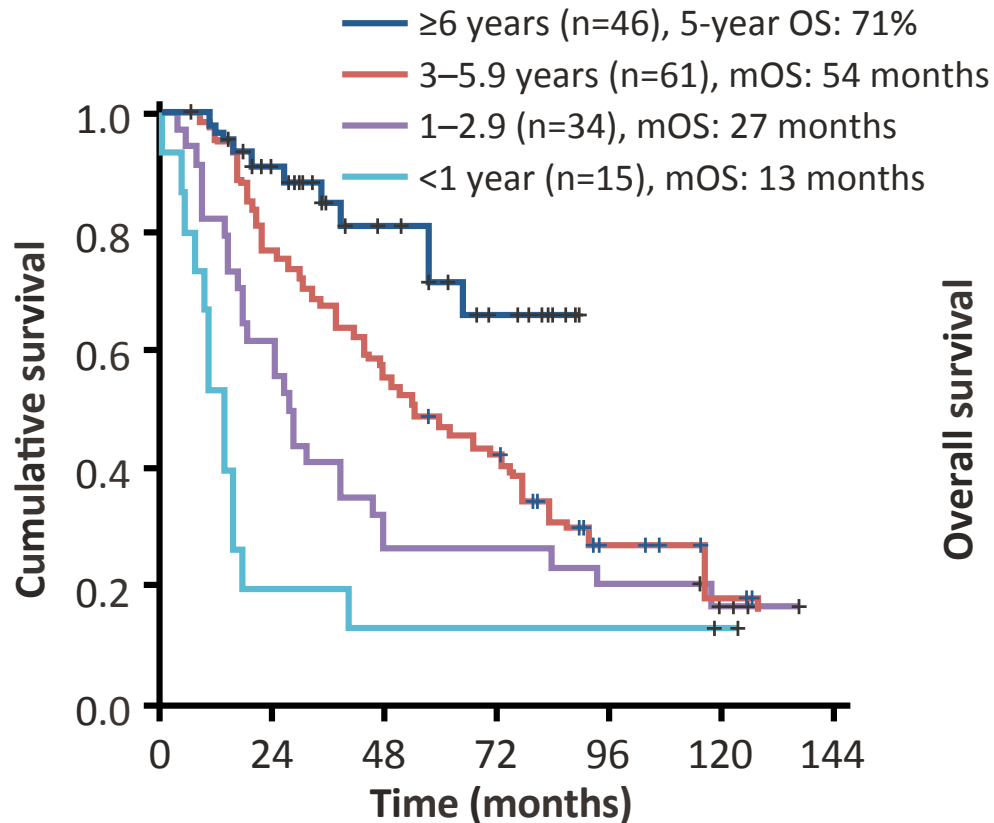
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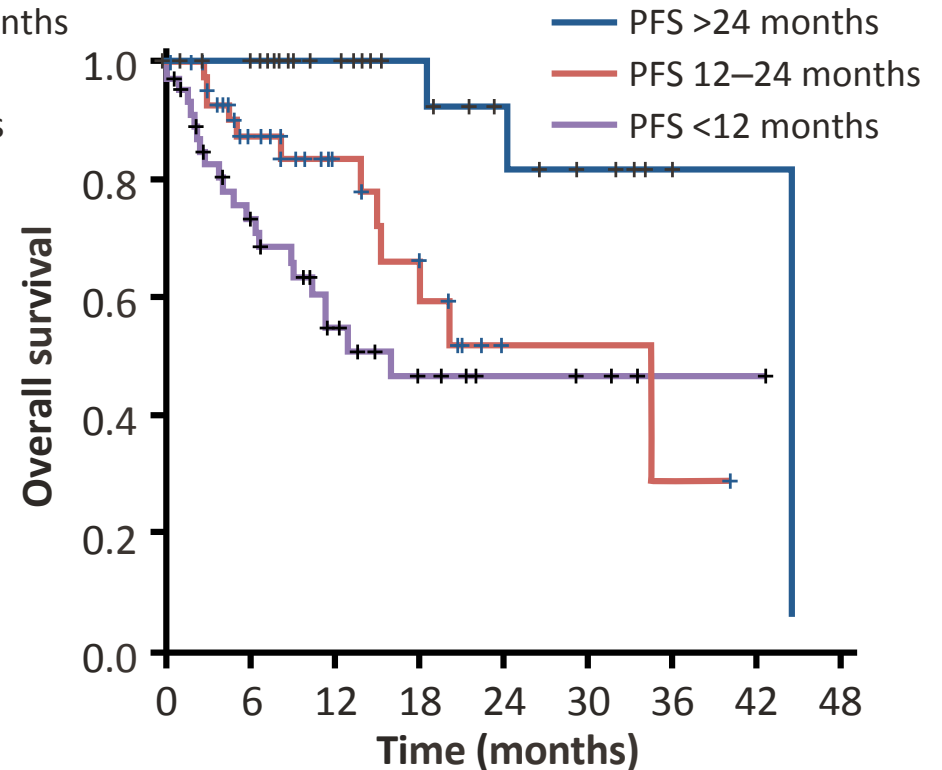
Late relapse after first-line chemoimmunotherapy supports maintained sensitivity

Survival after first salvage after FCR first-line failure: MDACC data¹



36-month cutoff

Survival after first salvage after FC/FCR first-line failure: CLL8 data²



24-month cutoff

FC, fludarabine + cyclophosphamide; FCR, FC + rituximab; MDACC, MD Anderson Cancer Center.

1. Tam CS, et al. *Blood* 2014; **124**:3059–3064;
 2. Stilgenbauer S and Zenz T. *Hematology Am Soc Hematol Educ Program* 2010;**2010**:481–488

Salvage treatment in CLL not suitable for chemoimmunotherapy

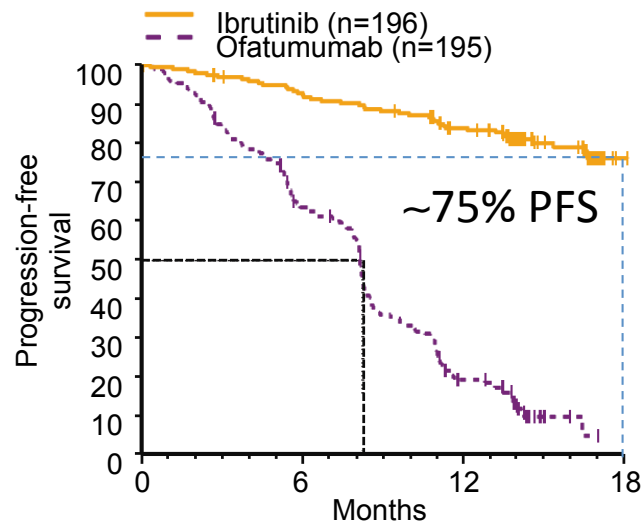
Ibrutinib (RESONATE)

R/R CLL

Not suitable for F-based Tx

- PFS <36 mo
- del17p

ORR: 63%



Byrd JC et al. New Engl J Med 2014 371:213-2

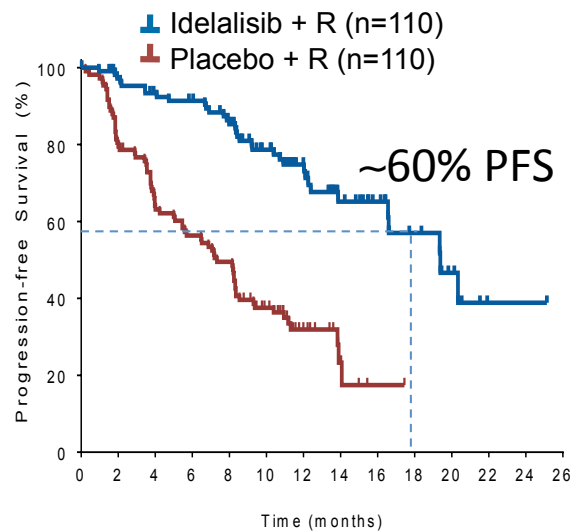
Idelalisib-R (116)

R/R CLL

Not suitable for cytotoxic Tx:

- PFS <24 mo

ORR: 81%



Furman R et al. New Engl J Med 2014 370:997-1007

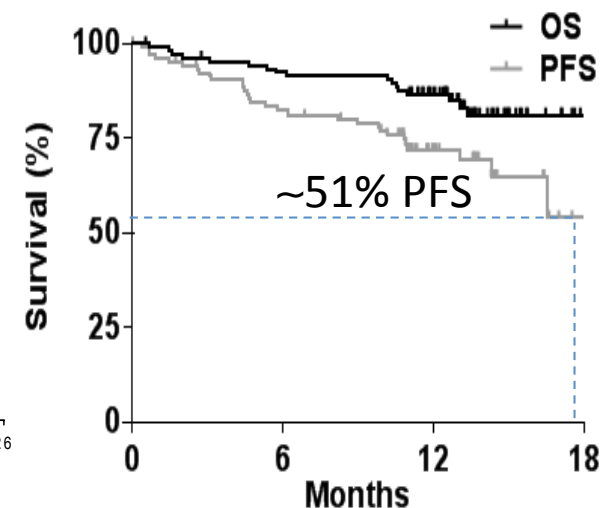
Venetoclax M13-982

R/R CLL

Not suitable for cytotoxic Tx:

- del17p

ORR: 79%

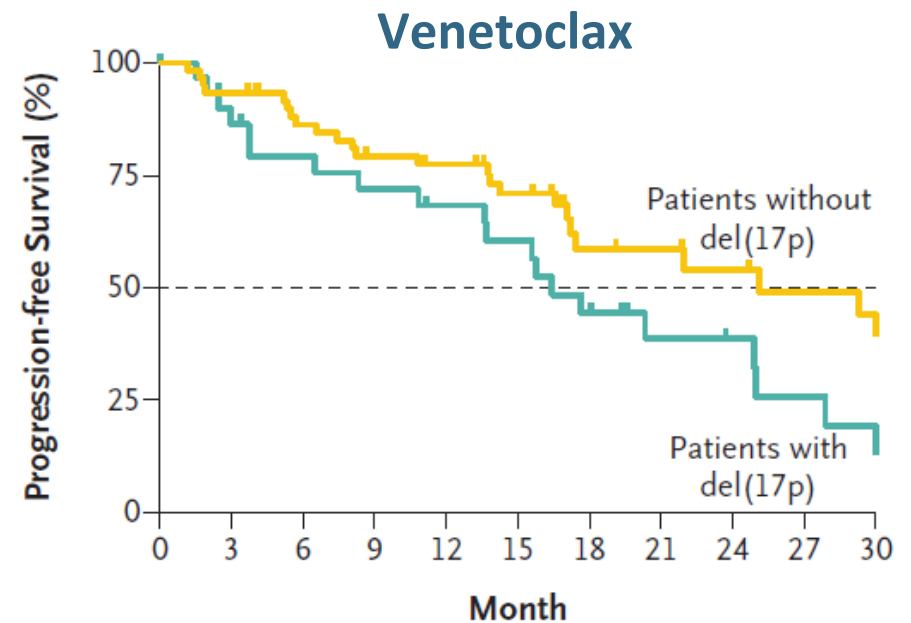
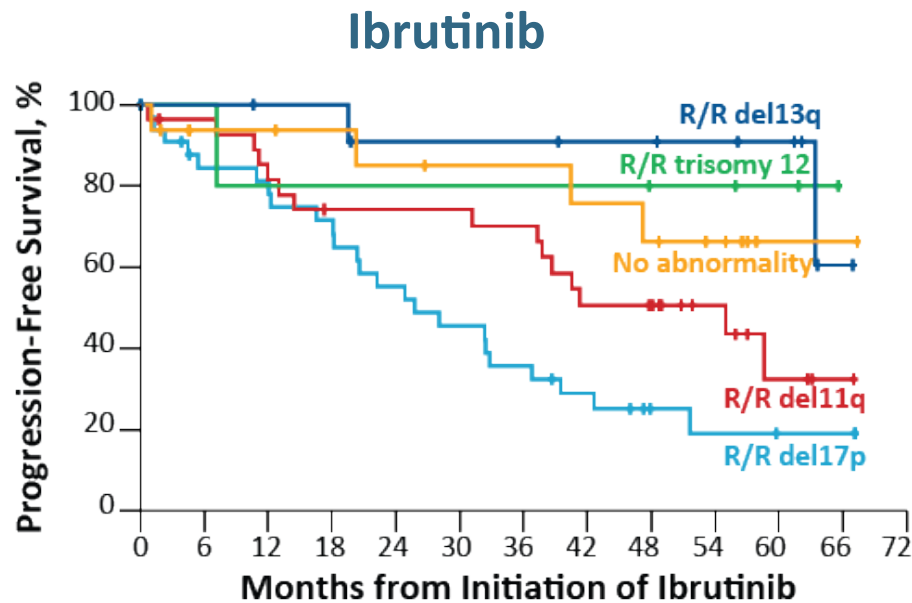
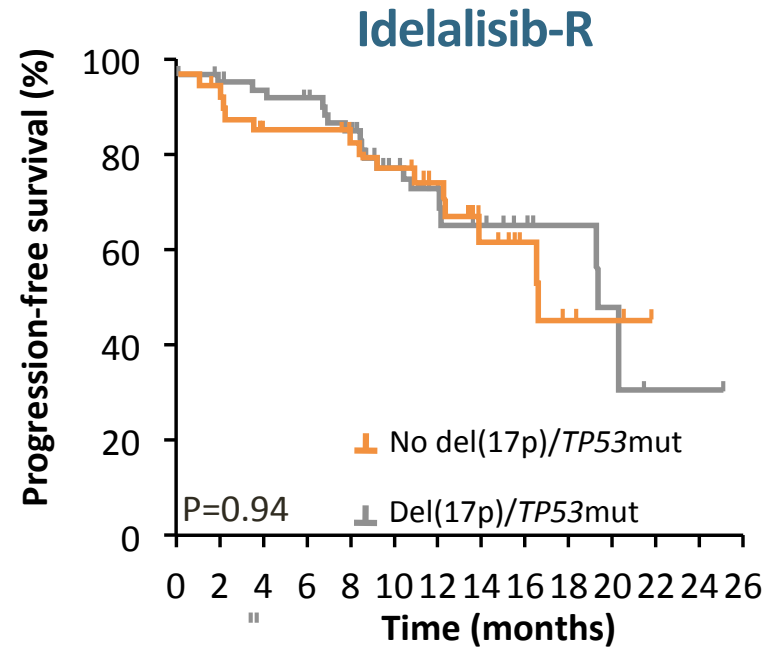
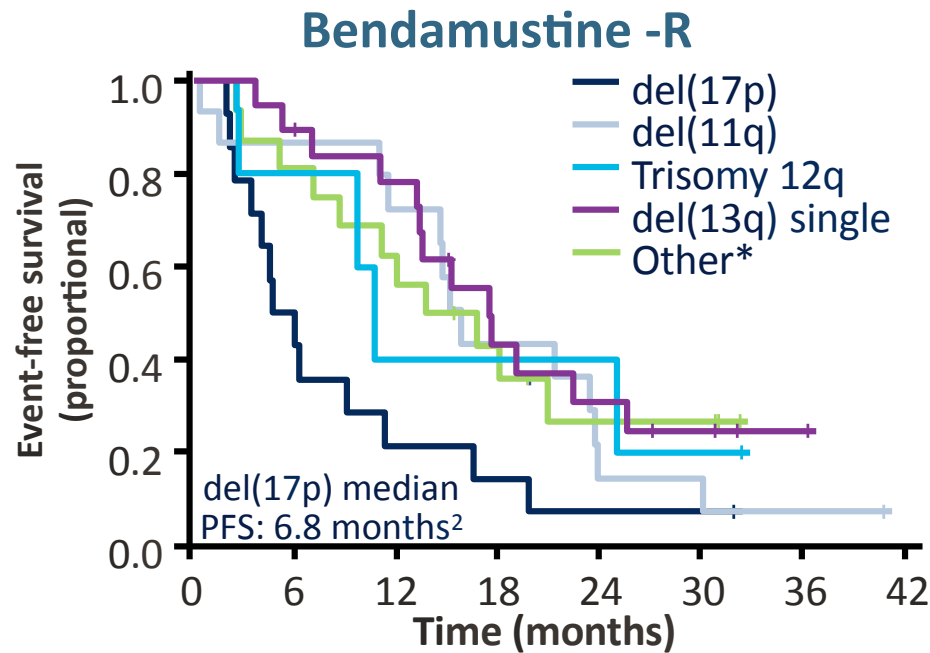


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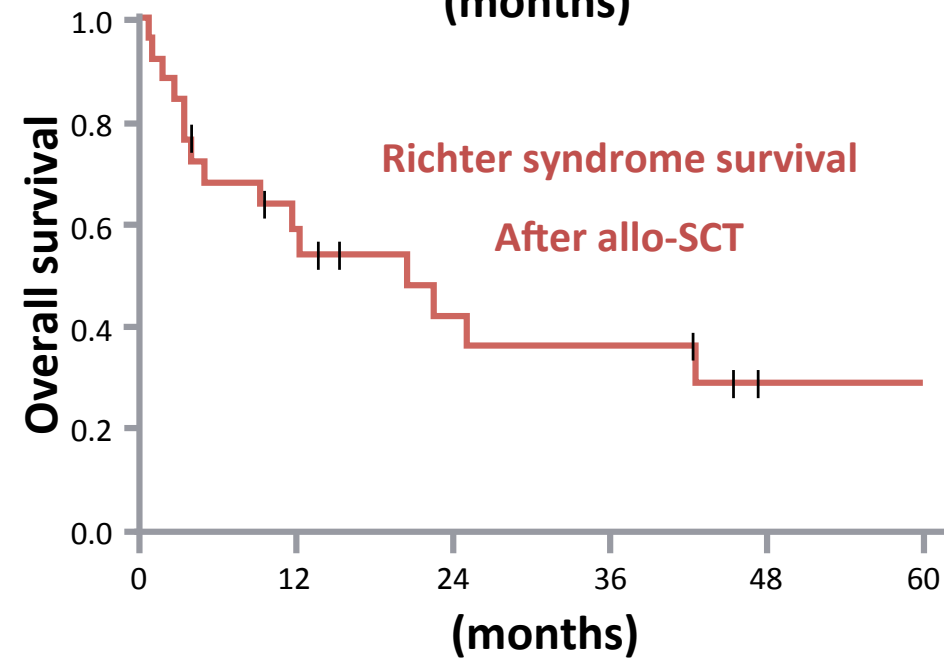
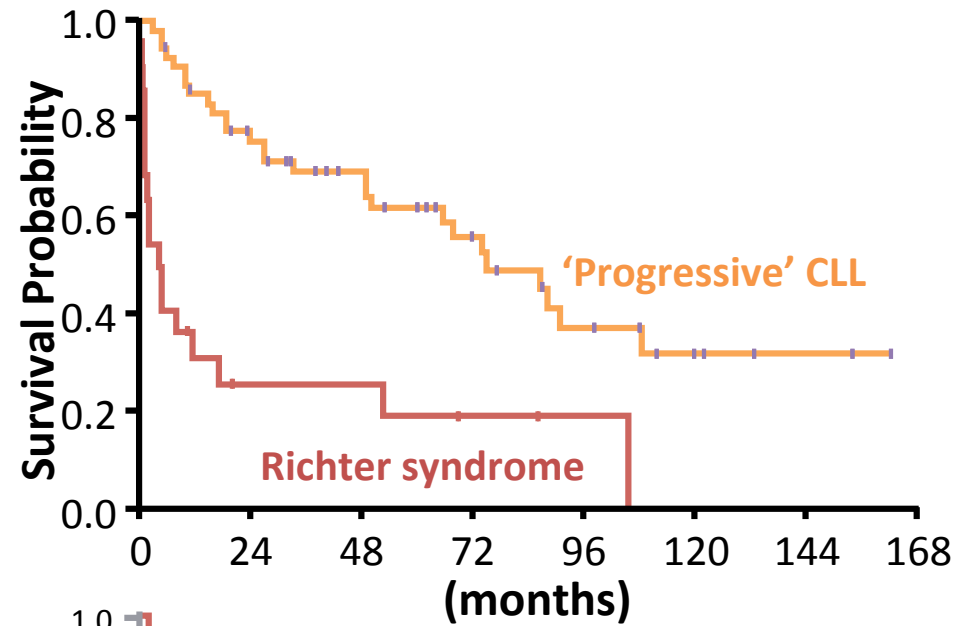
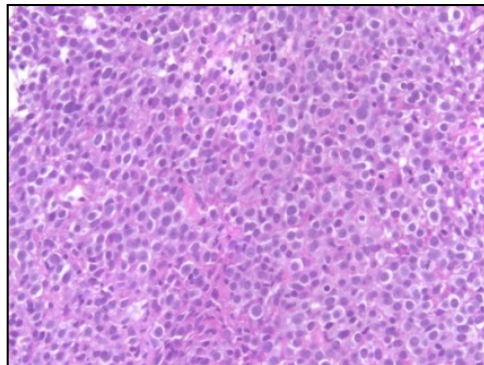
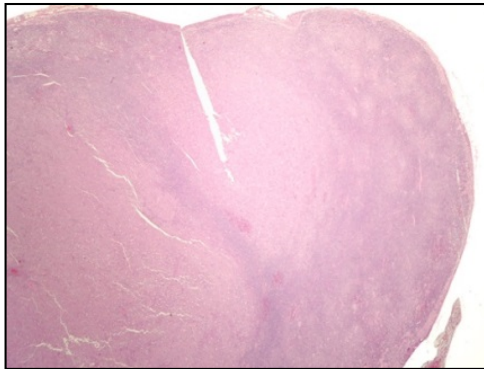
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Event-free survival in relapsed *TP53* disrupted patients



Histology of progressed CLL

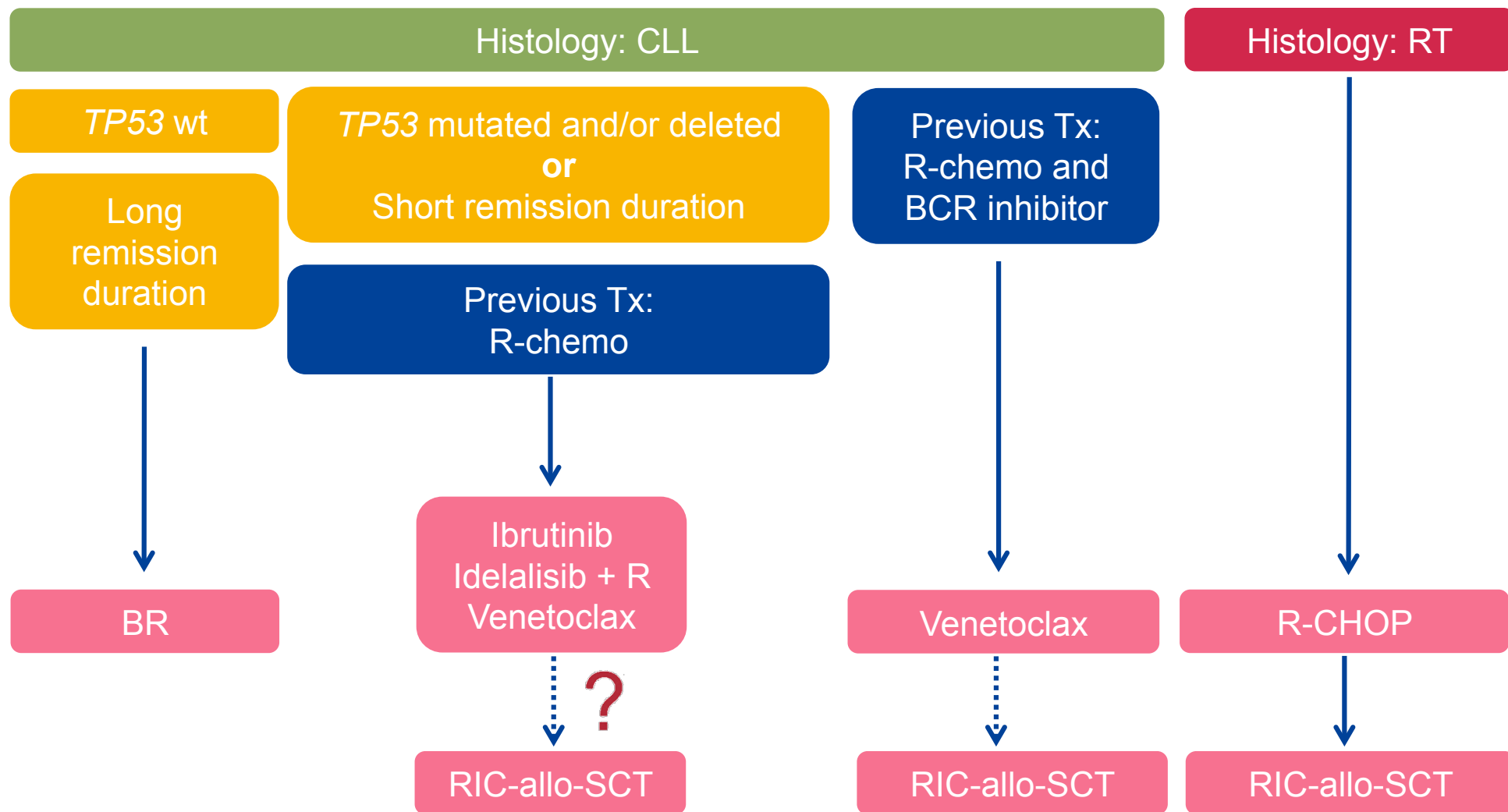
Richter's syndrome DLBCL variant



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Ginè E, et al. *Haematologica* 2010; **95**:1526–1533.

Can treatment of R/R CLL be informed by biomarkers?



BCR: B-cell receptor; R-chemo: rituximab chemotherapy; R-CHOP: rituximab, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone; RIC-allo-SCT: reduced-intensity conditioning allogeneic stem cell transplant; RT: Richter transformation

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