

Evolving role of immunotherapy in lymphomas

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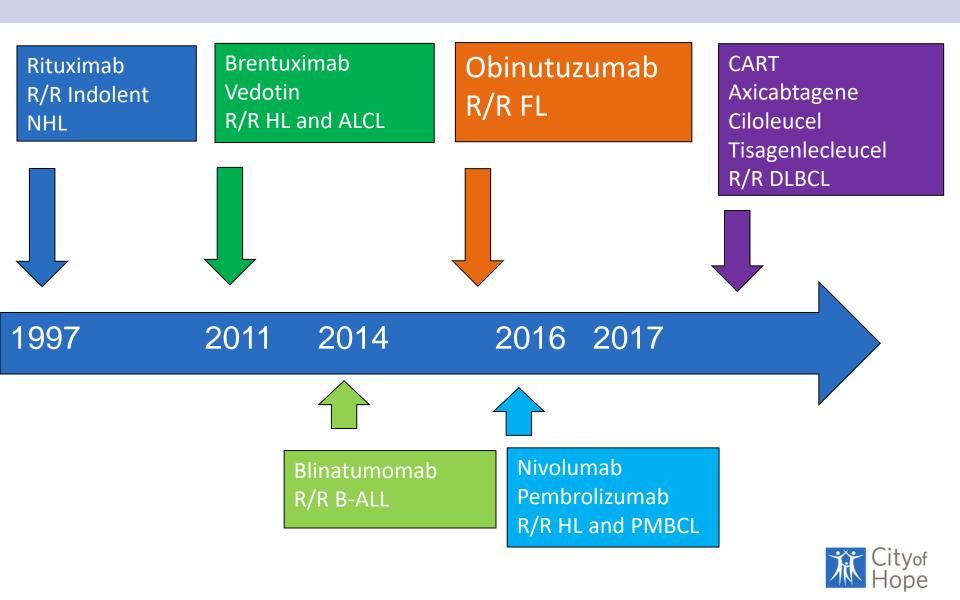


Classes

- Monoclonal antibodies
- Antibody drug conjugates (ADC)
- Checkpoint inhibitors
- Bispecific antibodies
- Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cells



Immunotherapy Landscape

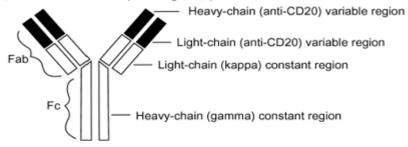


Rituximab

Chimeric type I anti CD 20 monoclonal
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Figure 2. Diagram of structure of rituximab. Rituximab is a chimeric antibody of the immunoglobulin G1 kappa type with murine anti-CD20 variable-sequence regions (filled areas) and human constant-sequence regions (open areas).

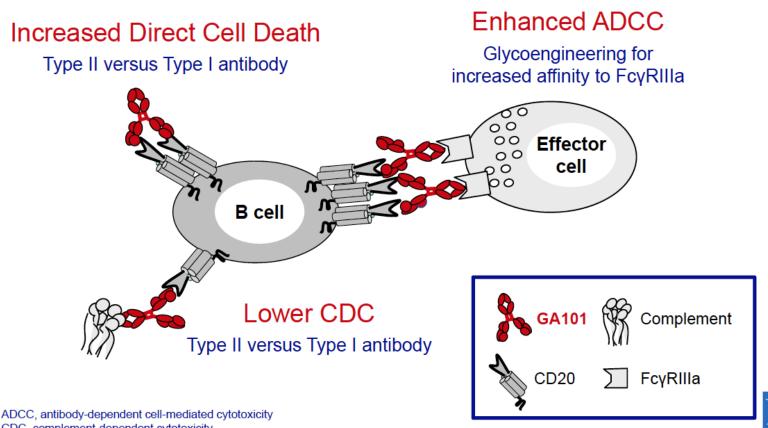


- GELA trial in DLBCL
 - RCHOP vs. CHOP, OS survival advantage of 47%



Obinutuzumab

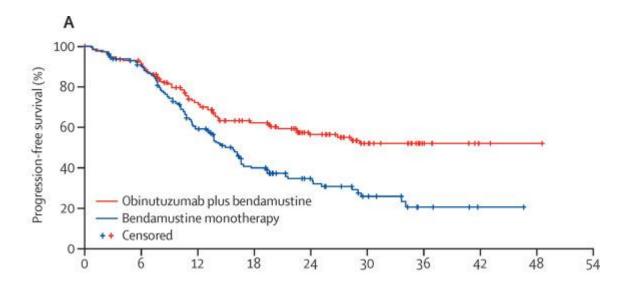
GA101: Mechanisms of action



ADCC, antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxici CDC, complement-dependent cytotoxicity Mössner E, et al. Blood 2010; 115:4393–4402

Obinutuzumab (Gadolin)

- Randomized Phase III in rituximab refractory Indolent NHL
- R-bendamustine vs O-bendamustine plus O maintenance
- PFS benefit with O vs. R

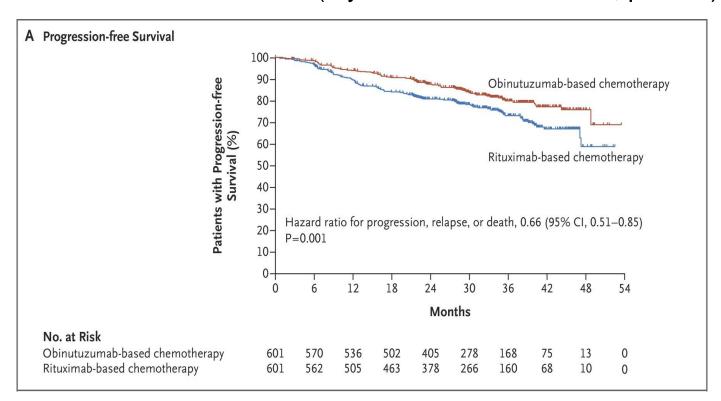


Sehn LH et al. Lancet Oncol 2016



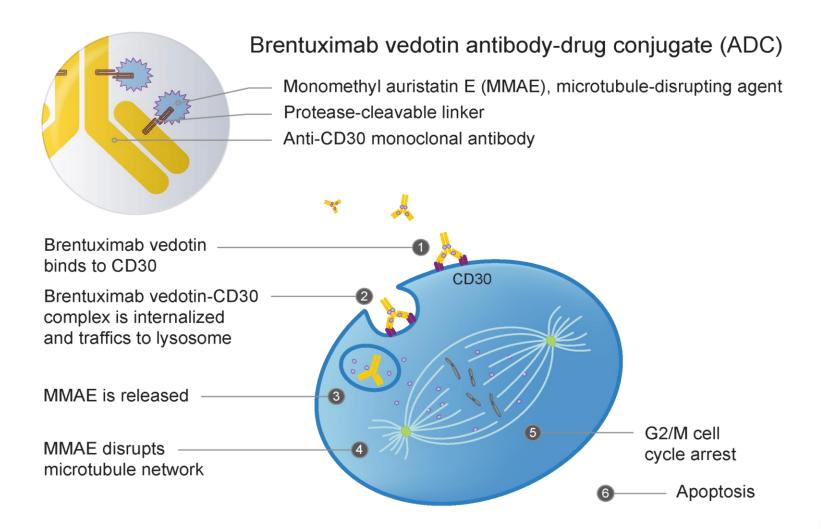
Obinutuzumab (Gallium)

- Randomized Phase III in untreated FL
- R-bendamustine vs O-bendamustine plus O maintenance
- PFS benefit with O vs. R (3 yr PFS 80% vs. 73.3%, p=0.01)



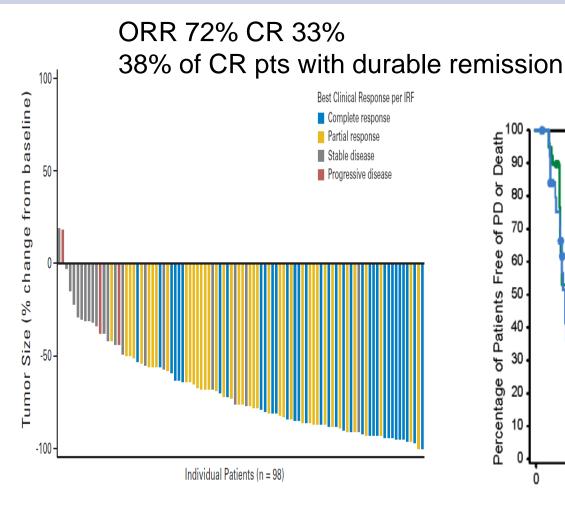


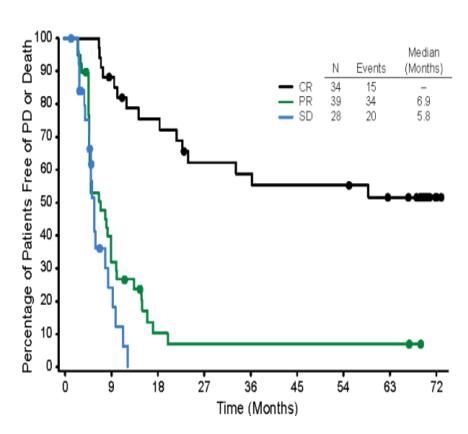
Brentuximab Vedotin





Brentuximab vedotin in Rel/Ref HL

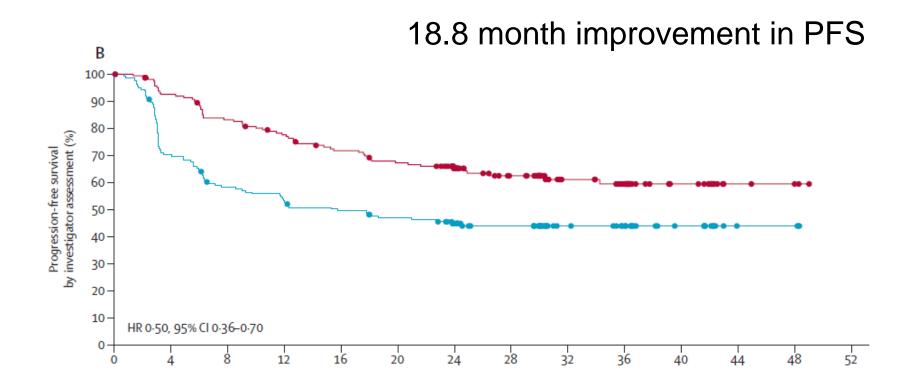




Younes et al. JCO 2012 Chen et al, Blood 2016



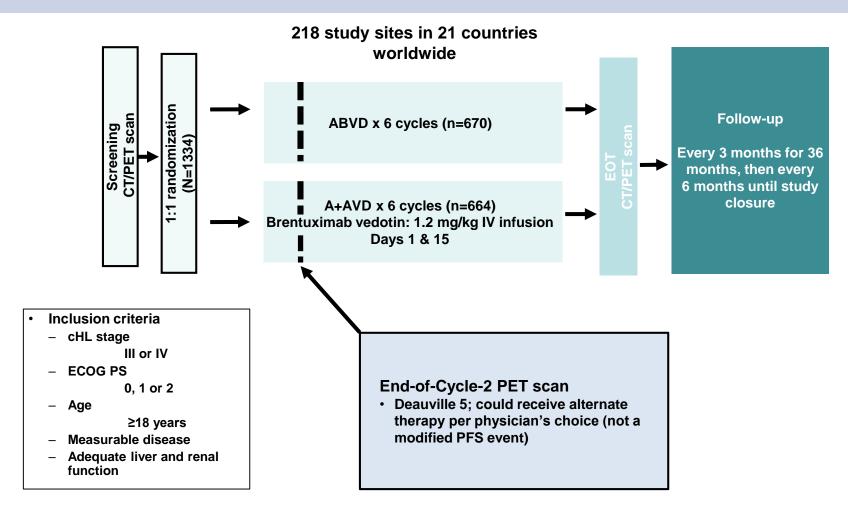
AETHERA: BV consolidation prolongs post-ASCT PFS for rel/ref HL



Moskowitz C et al. Lancet Oncol 2015

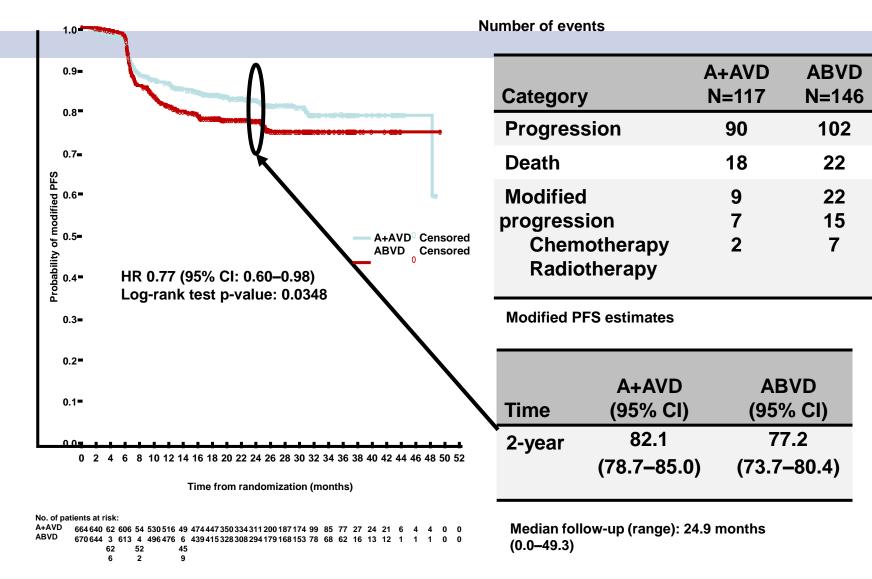


ECHELON-1: Randomized, phase 3 study of A+AVD versus ABVD in patients with newly diagnosed advanced cHL





Modified PFS per independent review





Brentuximab Vedotin

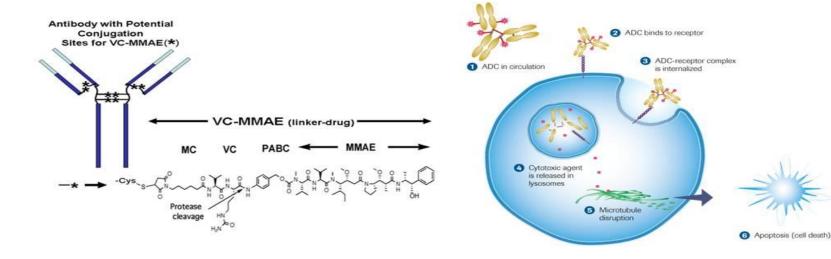
- R/R HL after 2 lines of therapies
- Consolidation post ASCT
- Upfront combination with AVD for stage III and IV HL
- Also has NCCN recommendations for R/R
 HL as 1st line salvage therapy option



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Pinatuzumab Vedotin (CD22-ADC) Polatuzumab Vedotin (CD79b-ADC)

- Antibody drug conjugates (ADC) consisting of the potent microtubule inhibitor monomethyl auristatin E (MMAE) conjugated to anti-CD22 and CD79b monoclonal antibodies via a protease-cleavable peptide linker
- CD22 and CD79b are expressed by most B-cell hematologic malignancies
- Both ADCs have shown clinical activity in Phase I studies





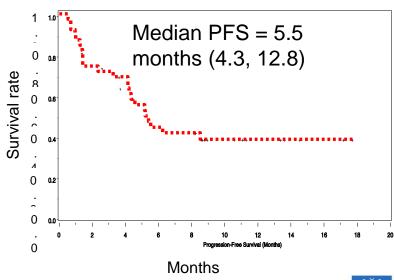
Polatuzumab Vedotin in R/R DLBCL

Treatment Regimen	Best Overall Response
Pola 1.8-2.4 mg/kg	51%¹
Pola 1.8–2.4 mg/kg + rituximab	56% ²

R/R DLBCL from the ROMULUS trial: pola + rituximab

Best SPD Change from Baseline

Progression-Free Survival





Pola + R/G-bendamustine

Investigator-Assessed Response by PET/CT ^a					
	F	L	DLBCL		
	Pola + BR (n=6)	Pola + BG (n=26)	Pola + BR (n=6)	Pola + BG (n=27)	
Best Objective Response					
ORR, n (%) CR PR SD PD UE	6 (100) 4 (67) 2 (33) 0 0	23 (89) 17 (65) 6 (23) 0 1 (4) 2 (8)	3 (50) 2 (33) 1 (17) 0 2(33) 1 (17)	16 (60) 11 (41) 5 (19) 2 (7) 6 (22) 3 (11)	
Objective Response at End of Treatment					
ORR, n (%) CR PR	5 (83) 4 (67) 1 (17)	21 (81) 17 (65) 4 (15)	3 (50) 2 (33) 1 (17)	10 (37) 9 (33) 1 (4)	
Median duration of response, mo (range) ^b	16.1 (3.8–16.3)	NR (15.2–20.6)	NR (0.03–14.5)	NR (0.03–15.7)	
Median PFS, mo (range) ^b	18.4 (7.2–18.9)	NR (1.4–17.1)	NR (1.5–22.7)	5.4 (0.03–17.6)	

^aModified Lugano 2014 response criteria: for CR, repeat bone marrow biopsy required to confirm clearance of bone marrow if involved at screening. ^bKaplan-Meier method; range data are at clinical data cut-off. CT, computed tomography; ORR, objective response rate; PD, progressive disease; PET, positron emission tomography; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease; UE, unable to evaluate.



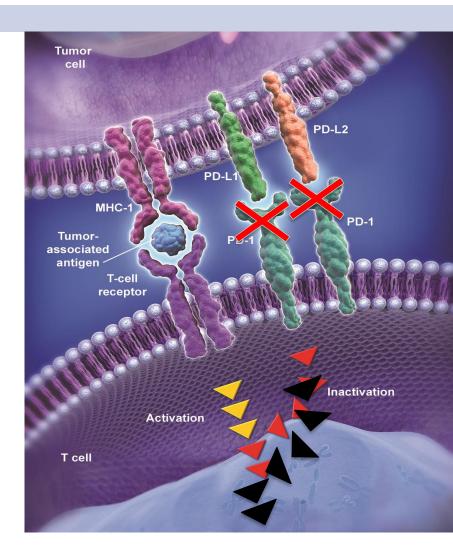
PV plus RB

- R/R DLBCL (2 prior lines)
- R-bendamustine vs PV + R-bendamustine
- Improvement in CR
 - 40% vs. 15%, p=0.012
- Improvement in median PFS
 - 6.7 months vs. 2 months, p < 0.0001
- Improvement in median OS
 - 11.8 months vs. 4.7 months, p = 0.0008
- Toxicities
 - Cytopenia, febrile neutropenia, infection, and peripheral neuropathies



The PD-1 and PD-L1/L2 Pathway

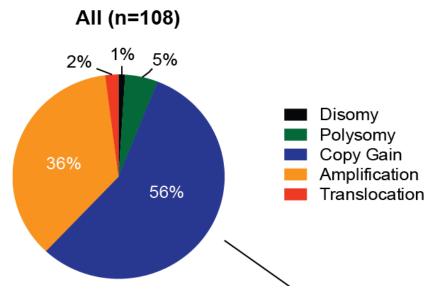
- → PD-1 is an immune checkpoint receptor
- → Binding of PD-1 by its ligands PD-L1 or PD-L2 leads to downregulation of T-cell function
- This mechanism is usurped by many tumors
- → PD-1 blockade through mAb therapy can restore effective antitumor immunity





PD-1 pathway in Hodgkin Lymphoma

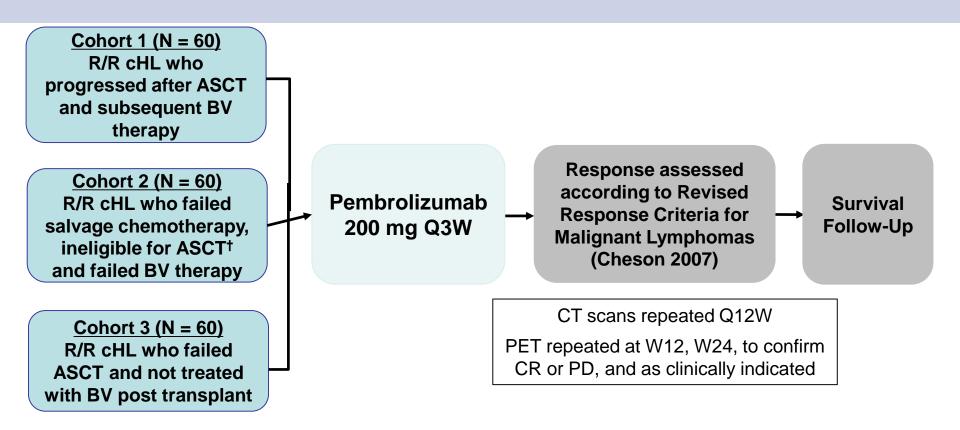
- Binding of PD-1 by its ligands PD-L1 or PD-L2 leads to downregulation of T-cell function
- HL harbors near-universal amplification at 9p24.1, leading to overexpression of PD-L1 and PD-L2
- HL may be uniquely vulnerable to PD-1 blockade



Roemer et al. J Clin Oncol. 2016.



KEYNOTE-087: Study Design



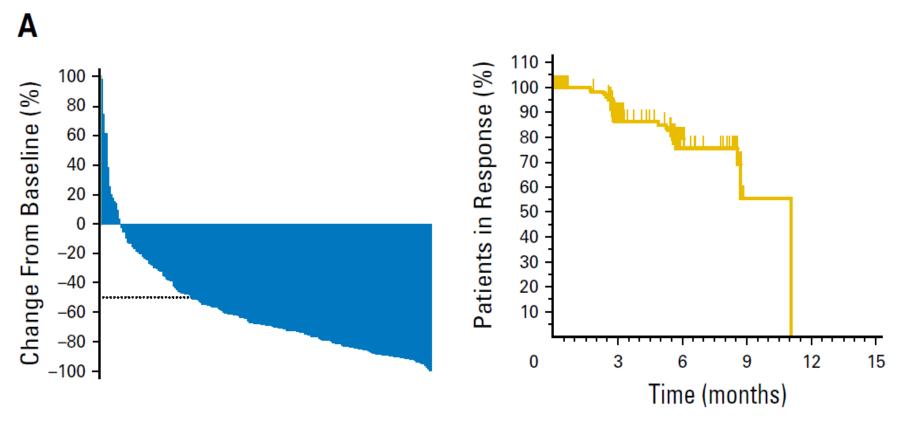
- Primary end point: ORR (central review)
- Secondary end points: ORR (investigator review), PFS, OS
- Prespecified interim analysis, based on investigator-assessed response, performed after
 30 patients in all 3 cohorts reached first response assessment

Pembrolizumab ORR by Cohort (BICR)

	Cohort 1 Progressed after ASCT and subsequent BV therapy N=69		Cohort 2 Failed salvage chemotherapy, ineligible for ASCT and failed BV therapy N = 81		Cohort 3 Failed ASCT and not treated with BV post transplant N = 60	
	n (%)	95% CI [†]	n (%)	95% CI [†]	n (%)	95% CI [†]
ORR	51 (73.9)	61.9-83.7	52 (64.2)	52.8-74.6	42 (70.0)	56.8-81.2
Complete remission*	15 (21.7)	12.7-33.3	20 (24.7)	15.8-35.5	12 (20.0)	10.8-32.3
Partial remission	36 (52.2)	39.8-64.4	32 (39.5)	28.8-51.0	30 (50.0)	36.8-63.2
Stable disease	11 (15.9)	8.2-26.7	10 (12.3)	6.1-21.5	10 (16.7)	8.3-28.5
Progressive disease	5 (7.2)	2.4-16.1	17 (21.0)	12.7-31.5	8 (13.3)	5.9-24.6
Unable to determine	2 (2.9)	0.4-10.1	2 (2.5)	0.3-8.6	0 (0)	_



Pembrolizumab in rel/ref HL



Median (range) time to response

2.7 months (2.1-8.3)

Median (range) duration of response

- 8.7 (0.0+-11.1)
- Response duration ≥6 months: 82.2%



Checkmate 205: Nivolumab

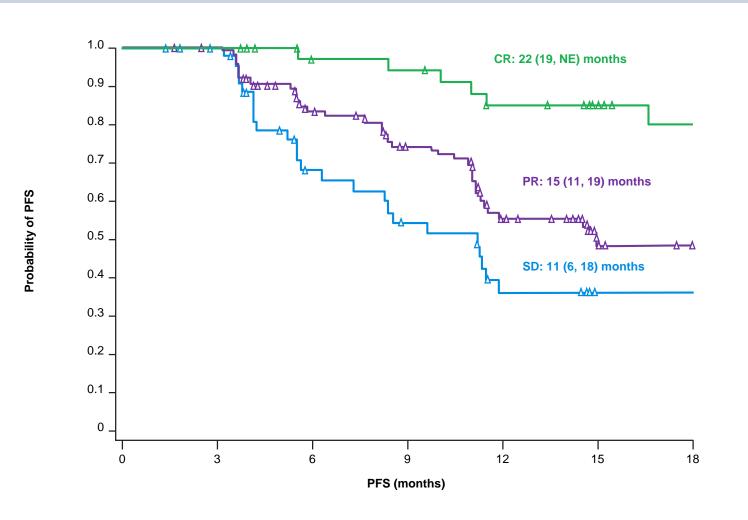
	Table 2. O	ojective and Best Overall Respons	se per IRC	
Protocol-Specified Analysis by Cohort				
Response	BV Naïve: Cohort A (n = 63)	BV After Auto-HCT: Cohort B (n = 80)	BV Before and/or After Auto-HCT: Cohort C (n = 100)	All patients (N = 243)
ORR, % (95% CI)	65 (52-77)	68 (56-78)	73 (63-81)	69 (63-75)
Best overall response Complete remission Partial remission Stable disease Progressive disease Unable to determine	18 (29) 23 (37) 15 (24) 7 (11) 0	10 (13) 44 (55) 17 (21) 6 (8) 3 (4) Exploratory Analyses by Re (all patients)	12 (12) 61 (61) 15 (15) 10 (10) 2 (2)	40 (16) 128 (53) 47 (19) 23 (9) 5 (2)
	To First Line (n = 142)	To Last Line (n = 114)	To BV After Auto-HCT (n = 75)	
ORR	73	68	68	
Best overall response Complete remission Partial remission Stable disease Progressive disease Unable to determine	25 (18) 78 (55) 25 (18) 12 (8) 2 (1)	15 (13) 62 (54) 22 (19) 12 (11) 3 (3)	5 (7) 46 (61) 13 (17) 8 (11) 3 (4)	

NOTE. Data presented as No. (%) unless otherwise indicated. Best overall response was unable to be determined for five patients, all because of missing or unknown postbaseline tumor assessments.

Abbreviations: auto-HCT, autologous hematopoietic cell transplantation; BV, brentuximab vedotin; IRC, independent radiology review committee; ORR, objective response rate.



PFS



Median DOR 16.6 months

Median PFS 14.7 months



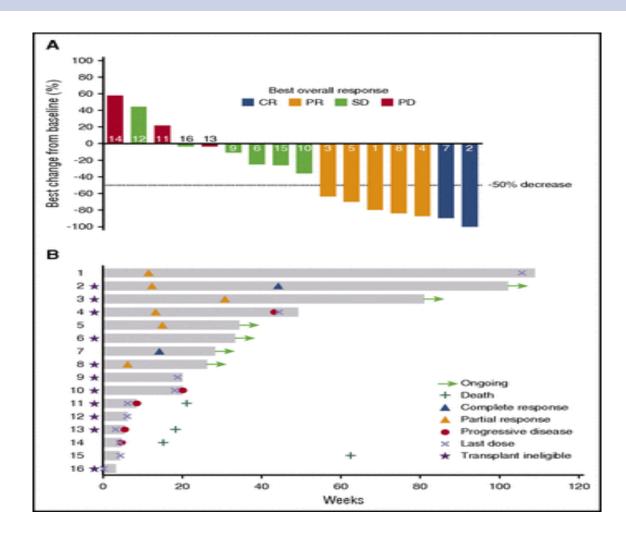
PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitors in B-NHL

	Objective Response Rate, n (%)	Complete Responses, n (%)	Partial Responses, n (%)	Stable Disease n (%)
B-Cell Lymphoma* (n=29)	8 (28)	2 (7)	6 (21)	14 (48)
Follicular Lymphoma (n=10)	4 (40)	1 (10)	3 (30)	6 (60)
Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma (n=11)	4 (36)	1 (9)	3 (27)	3 (27)
T-Cell Lymphoma† (n=23)	4 (17)	0 (0)	4 (17)	10 (43)
Mycosis Fungoides (n=13)	2 (15)	0 (0)	2 (15)	9 (69)
Peripheral T-Cell Lymphoma (n=5)	2 (40)	0 (0)	2 (40)	0 (0)
Multiple Myeloma (n=27)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	18 (67)
Primary Mediastinal B-Cell Lymphoma (n=2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (100)

^{*}includes other B-cell lymphoma (n=8) †includes other cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (n=3) and other non-cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (n=2)



Pembrolizumab in PMLBC

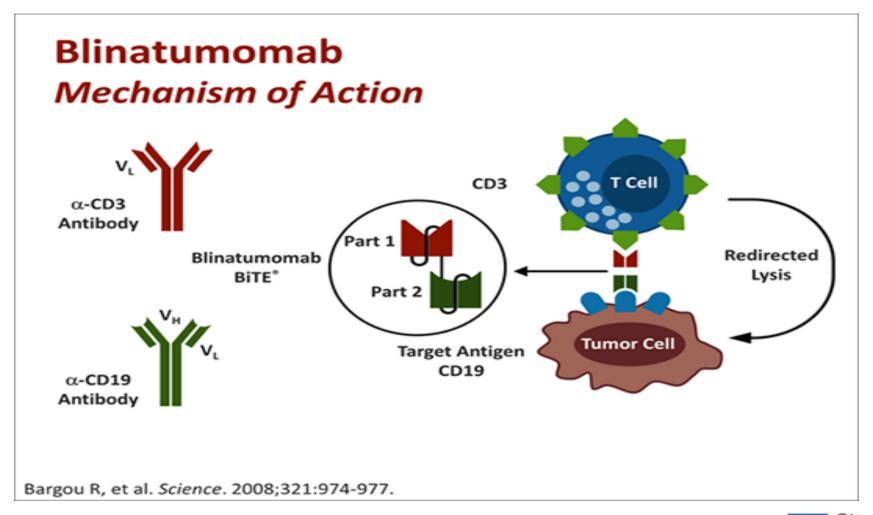


ORR 41%

Zinzani P et al. Blood 2017



Bispecific Antibodies



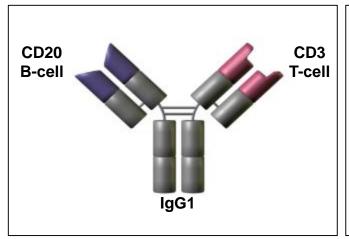


Blinatumomab

- Phase 1 trial R/R B cell NHL
- 76 pts with FL/MCL/DLBCL
- ORR 69%, CR 37% at 60 ug/m2/day
 - FL, ORR 80%
 - MCL, ORR 71%
 - DLBCL, ORR 55%
- Notable AE
 - Neurological 71%, Grade 3, 22%
 - Encephalopathy 8%, aphasia 4%, Seizure 3%
- Phase II trial shows a CR of 17% and ORR of 36% in patients with relapsed/refractory DLBCL.

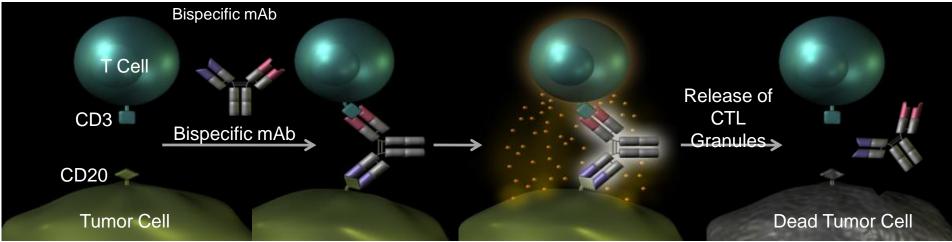


The Anti-CD20/CD3 T-Dependent Bispecific (TDB) Antibody BTCT4465A



Produced using 'knobs in holes' technology

- Full length bi-specific, PK similar to conventional IgG1
- Glycosylation mutation (N297G) eliminates ADCC function => MOA distinct from rituximab and obinutuzumab
- Near-natural architecture, low antigenic potential
- aCD3 arm recruits T-cells to B-cells
 - Conditional agonist: T-cell activation requires CD20 target engagement
 - Pre-treatment immune response to tumor not a pre-requisite
 - Active against indolent (non-dividing) and chemo-resistant cells



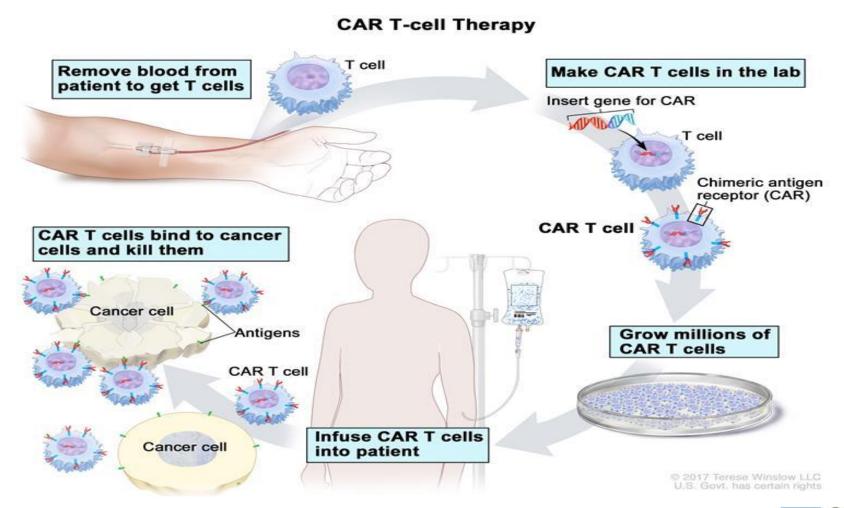


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 Safety and Efficacy of the Full-Length Bispecific CD20/CD3 Antibody, Mosunetuzumab: Results from a Phase 1 Study in Relapsed/Refractory (R/R) B-Cell Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (NHL)

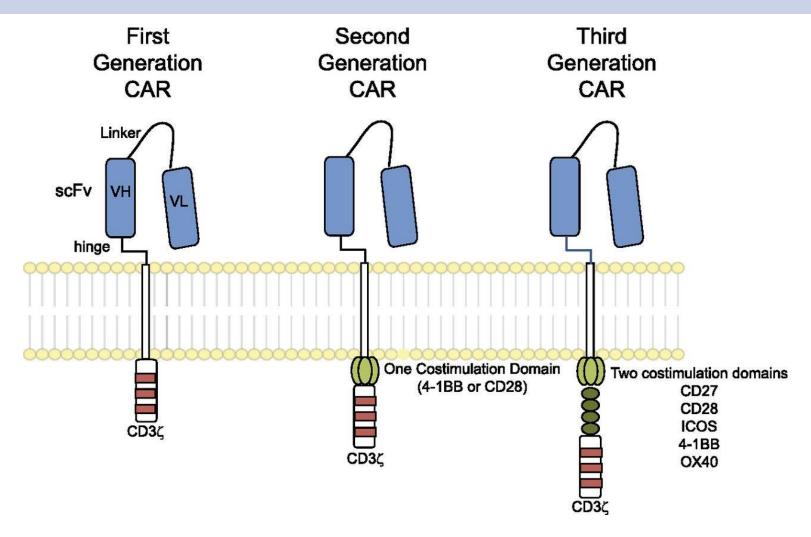


Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) modified T-cells



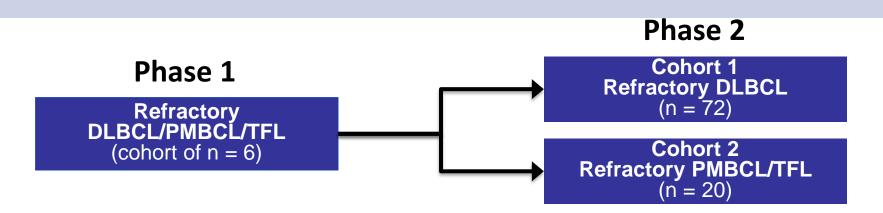


Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) modified T-cells





CAR T-cells in Aggressive B-NHL: KiTE (ZUMA-1)



Eligibility criteria

- Aggressive NHL: DLBCL, PMBCL, TFL
- •Chemotherapy-refractory disease: no response to last chemotherapy or relapse ≤12 months post-ASCT
- Prior anti-CD20 mAb and anthracycline
- •ECOG PS 0-1

Primary end point

•Phase 2: Objective response rate (ORR) tested in the first 92 patients dosed^a

Key secondary end points

 DOR, OS, safety, levels of CAR T and cytokines



Responses to CD19-specific CAR T-cells (KiTE)

Axicabtagene Ciloleucel (Yescarta)

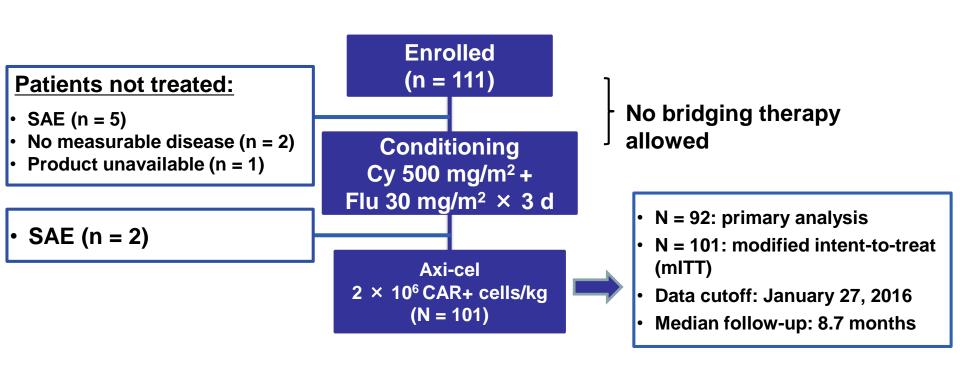
	ZUMA-1 Phase 2					
Best	DLI	BCL	TFL/P	MBCL	Com	bined
Response	ORR (%)	CR (%)	ORR (%)	CR (%)	ORR (%)	CR (%)
n = 77		n =	= 24	n =	101	
mITT ^b	82	49	83	71	82	54

CR, complete response; DLBCL, diffuse large B cell lymphoma; ORR; objective response rate; PMBCL; primary mediastinal B-cell lymphoma; TFL, transformed follicular lymphoma.



^a Inferential testing when 92 axi-cel–dosed patients had 6 months of follow-up. ORR 82%, *P*<0.0001. ^b mITT (modified intention-to-treat) set of all patients dosed with axi-cel.

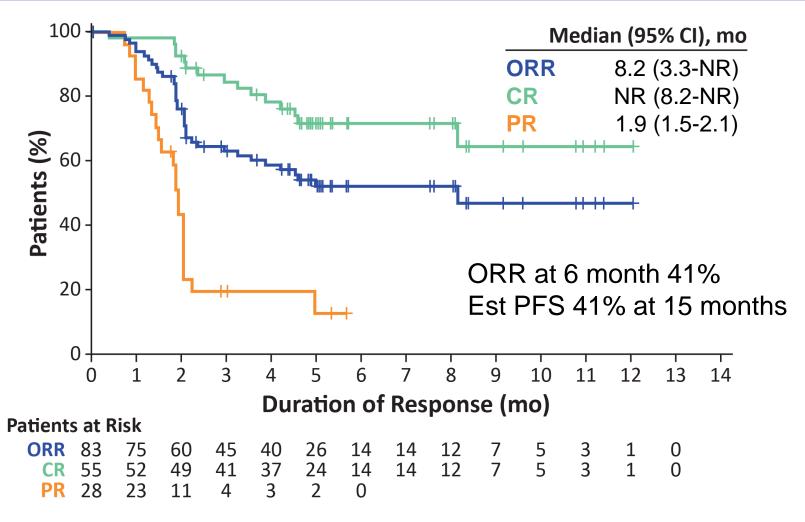
Patient Consort Diagram



- 22 sites enrolled; 99% manufacturing success rate
- 91% of enrolled patients received axi-cel
- 17-day average turnaround time from apheresis to delivery to clinical site



Duration of Responses At a Median Follow-Up of 8.7 Months



Neelapu SS et al. NEJM 2017



Summary of CAR T-cell related AEs

AE, n (%)	Interim Analysis (N = 62)	Primary Analysis (N = 101)
Grade ≥3 AE	59 (95)	95 (95)
Grade ≥3 CRS	11 (18)	13 (13)
Grade ≥3 NE	21 (34)	28 (28)
Grade 5 AE	3 (3) ^a	3 (3) ^a

- CRS and NE were generally reversible
 - All CRS events resolved except 1 case of HLH and 1 case of cardiac arrest
 - All NE resolved except 1 grade 1 memory impairment
- 43% received tocilizumab,
 27% received steroids
- No new axi-cel—related grade 5 AEs



Tisagenlecleucel (Kymriah)

- FDA approval 5/2018
- DLBCL, TFL, High grade B cell lymphoma
- 2 prior therapies
- 147 patients with refractory DLBCL or TFL, 99 infused, 81 evaluated
- Median was 39 days between collection and infusion, bridging chemotherapy allowed
- Median of 5.79 x 10⁸ CAR cells/kg
- Best ORR 53% and CR 40%, OR at 6 month 37%.
- Grade 3 NT 12%, CRS 23%



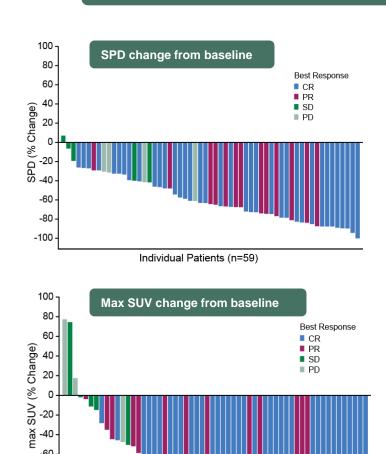
Combinations

- ADC + Checkpoint inhibitors
 - BV + nivolumab
 - BV + nivolumab + ipilimumab
- ADC + BITE
 - Polatuzumab plus CD20/CD3 Ab
- BITE + PD1 inhibitors
 - Blinatumomab plus pembrolizumab
 - CD20/CD3 Ab + atezolimumab
- CART + PD1 inhibitors



BV plus Nivolumab as 2nd line therapy

85% objective response rate with 63% complete responses



Individual Patients (n=58)

-60

-80 -100

	N = 59 n (%)
Complete response (CR)	37 (63)
Deauville ≤ 2	29 (49)
Deauville 3	7 (12)
Deauville 5 ^a	1 (2)
Partial response (PR)	13 (22)
Deauville 4	7 (12)
Deauville 5	6 (10)
No metabolic response (SD)	5 (8)
Deauville 5	5 (8)
Progressive disease (PD)	3 (5)
Deauville 5	2 (3)
Missing	1 (2)
Clinical Progression (CP)	1 (2)

a. 1 pt had uptake in lymph node, but no evidence of disease was found on biopsy SPD, sum of the product of the diameters; SUV, standard uptake value

Herrera AF et al. Blood 2017

