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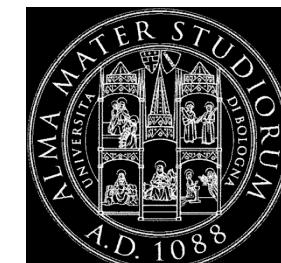
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programma

La terapia del mieloma multiplo  
**Ruolo della terapia di  
mantenimento**

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Vicenza, 23 Settembre 2016



**Maintenance therapy is applied for a prolonged period of time with the goal of preventing tumor progression.**

Ludwig et al. Blood 2012;119:3003-3015  
Consensus Maintenance IMWG

# **Issues of maintenance therapy**

- Impact on Progression-Free Survival
- Impact on Overall survival
- Induction of resistance
- Toxicity
- Quality-Of-Life
- Cost-effectiveness

# Maintenance treatment in multiple myeloma

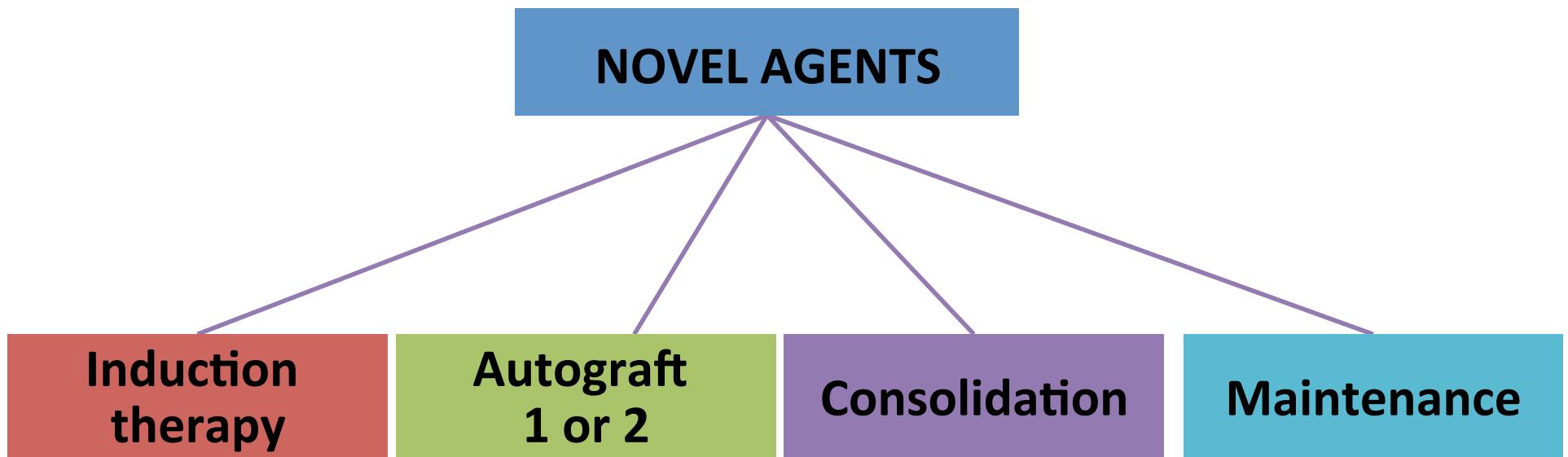
- **Chemotherapy:**
  - no: as shown by SWOG,<sup>1</sup> Alexanian,<sup>2</sup> and Belch<sup>3</sup>
- **Interferon:**
  - yes: Mandelli<sup>4</sup>
  - no: meta-analysis showed modest increase in PFS without, or with only minimal, survival benefit<sup>5</sup>
- **Corticosteroids?**
  - yes: survival and duration of response<sup>6</sup>
  - no: no survival improvement<sup>7,8</sup>
- **New drugs...**

1. Southwest Oncology Group. Arch Intern Med. 1975;135:147-52 2. Alexanian R, et al. Blood. 1978;51:1005-11. 3. Belch A, et al. Br J Cancer. 1988;57:94-9. 4. Mandelli F, et al. N Engl J Med. 1990;322:1430-4. 5. Myeloma Trialists' Collaborative Group. Br J Haematol. 2001;113:1020-34.

6. Berenson, JR et al. Blood. 2002;99:3163-8 . 7. Stewart AK, et al. Clin Cancer Res. 2004;10:8170-6. 8. Alexanian R, et al. Am J Hematol :2000;65:204

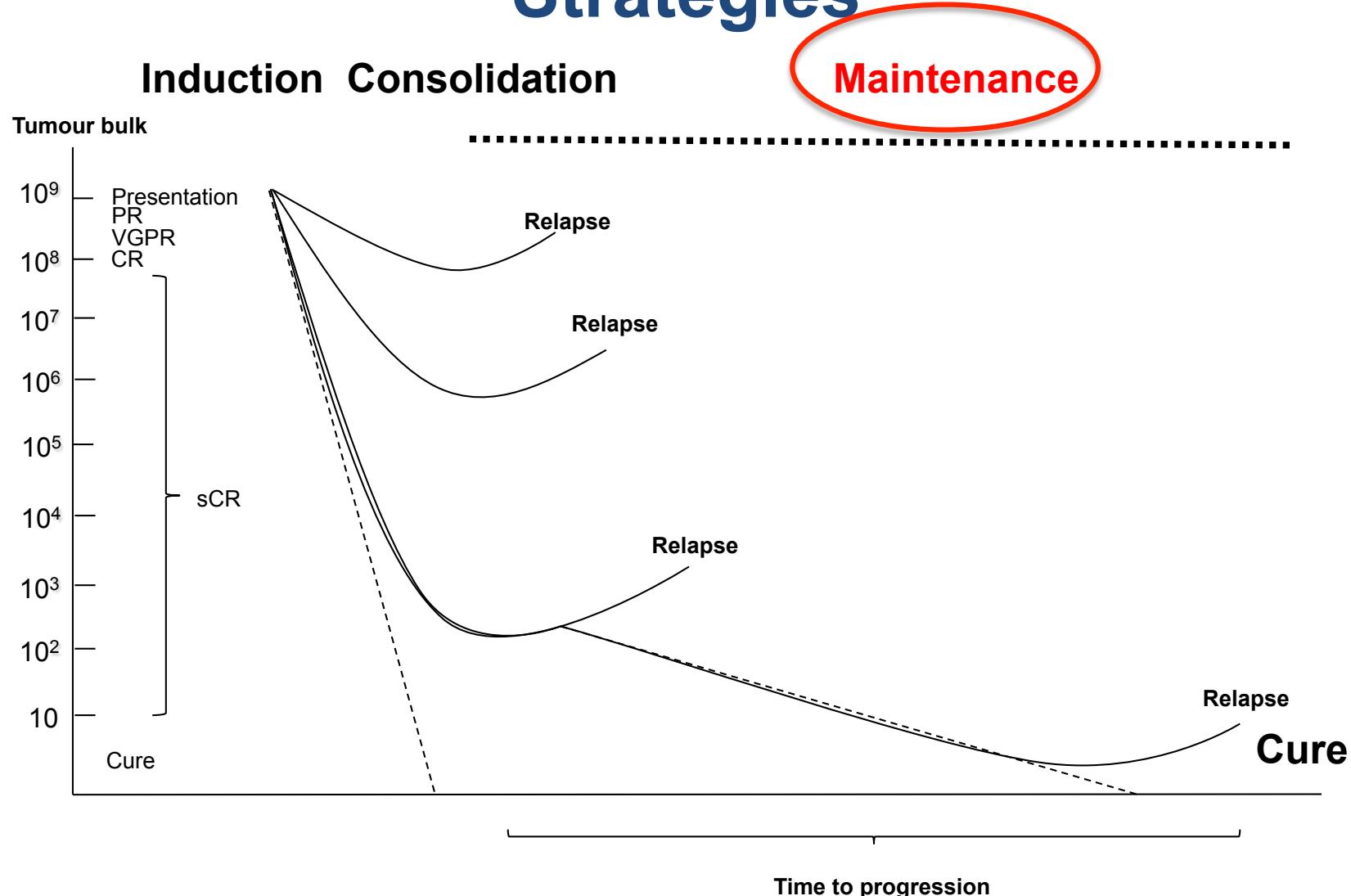
# **Young patients eligible for ASCT**

# New treatment paradigm for patients who are eligible for ASCT



- Maximize the depth of response
- Minimize the burden of residual tumor cells

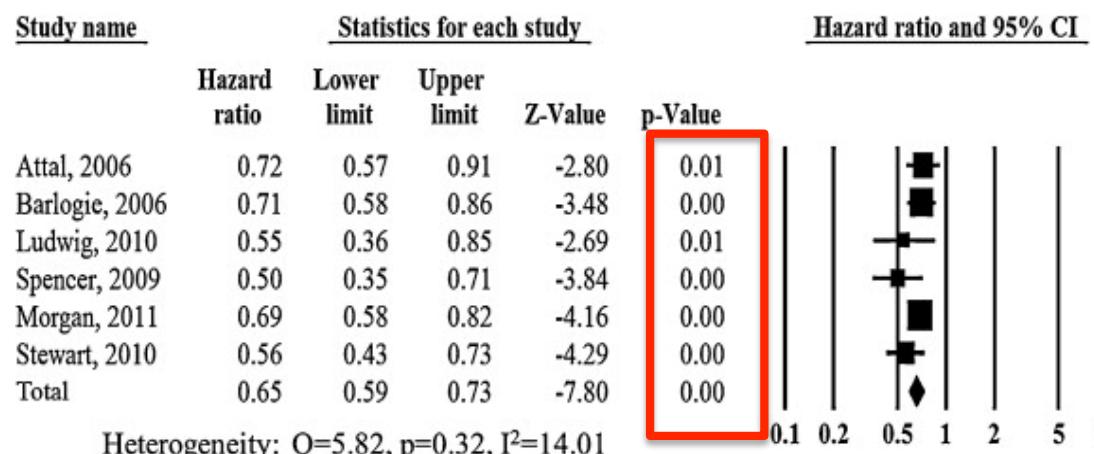
# The Key Elements of Modern Treatment Strategies



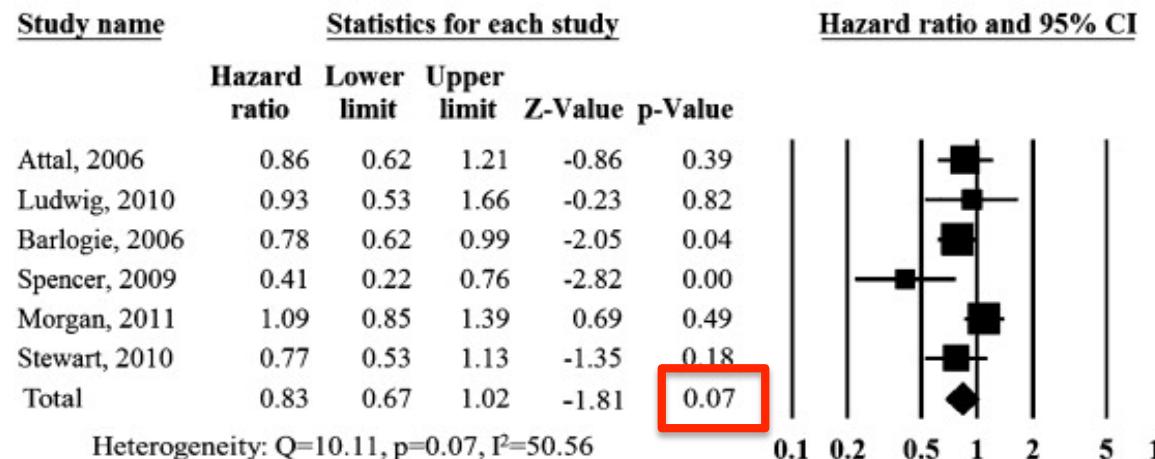
The emergence of novel agents active on microenvironment and immune surveillance led to a renaissance in the concept of **continuous treatment or maintenance**

# Thalidomide maintenance therapy

## Progression Free Survival



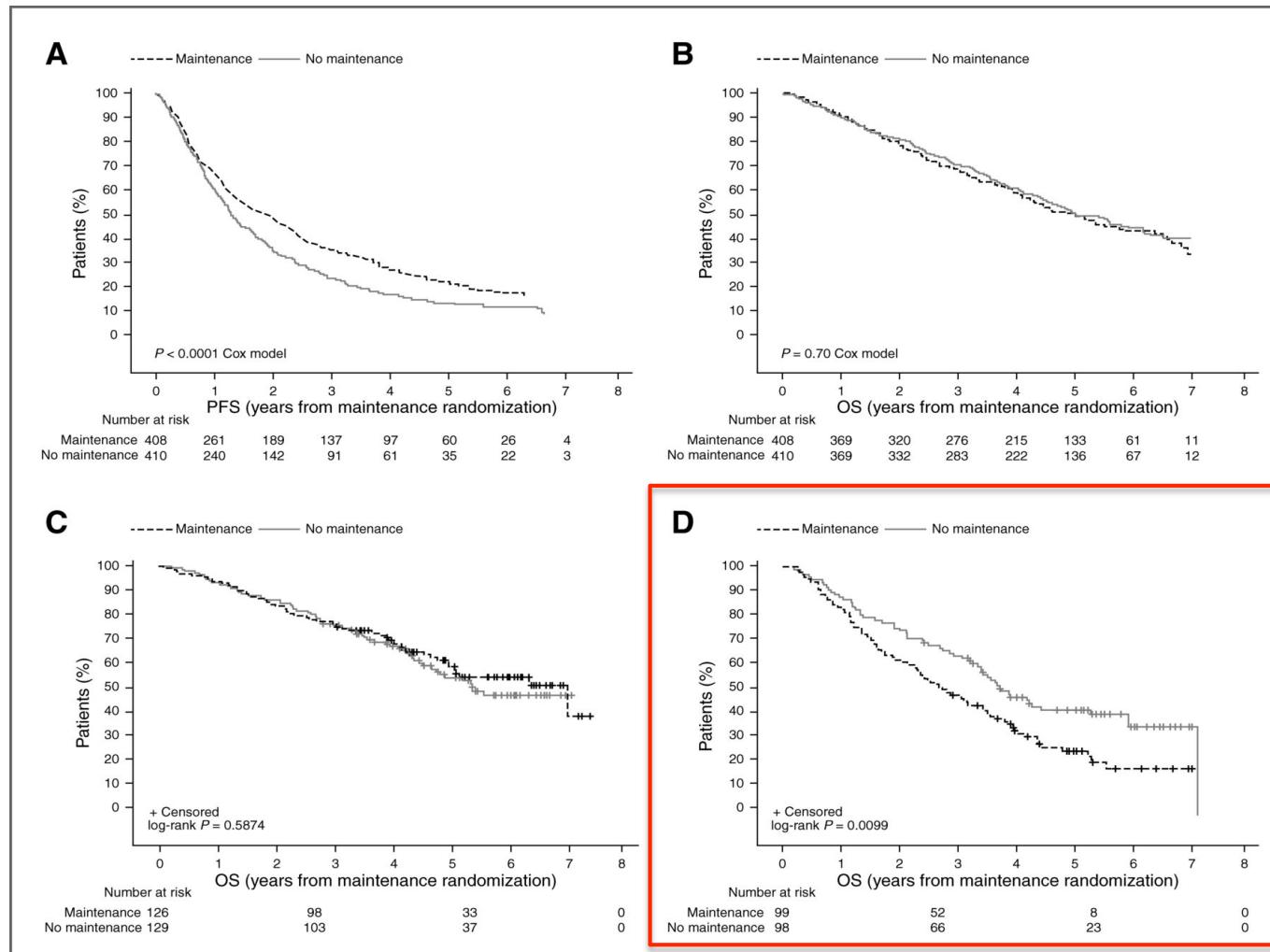
## Overall Survival



Thalidomide maintenance has limited applicability due to adverse events and side effects  
In published trials **median time on thalidomide 7-24 months**

# Survival according iFISH profiles Thalidomide maintenance therapy

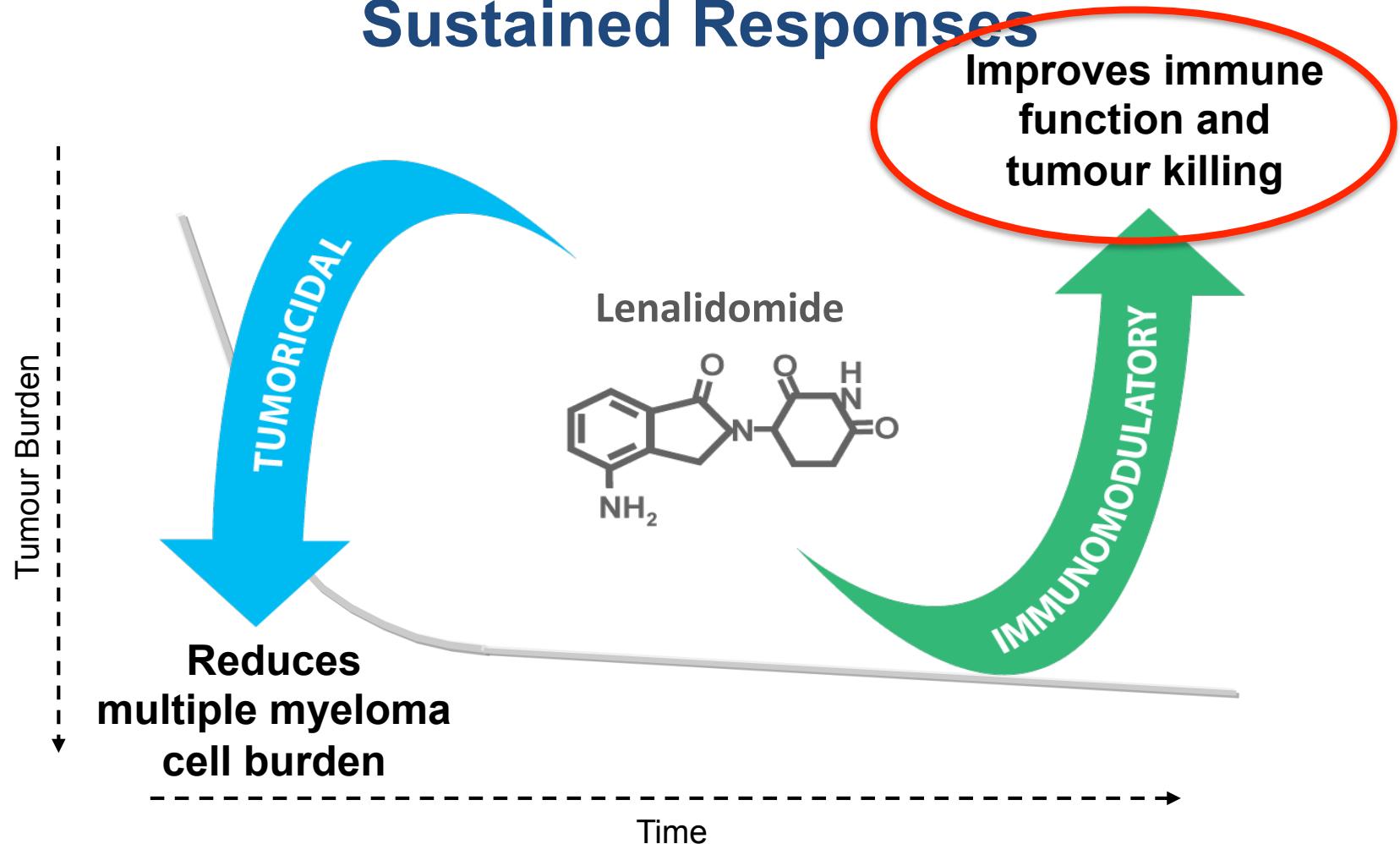
Survival according to thalidomide maintenance therapy regimen (ITT population):  
(A) PFS; (B) OS; (C) OS in pts with favorable iFISH profiles; (D) OS in pts with adverse iFISH profiles



# **Thalidomide as maintenance therapy following ASCT ?**

- Impact on PFS, duration of response : **YES**
- Induction of resistance : **YES ?**
- Overall survival : **BORDER-LINE**
- Toxicity, QOL : **DOSE, DURATION**
- Cost-effectiveness : **YES**

# Lenalidomide: The Tumouricidal and Immunomodulatory Effects Induce Rapid and Sustained Responses



Improves immune function and tumour killing

These dual effects make lenalidomide the optimal foundation therapy for the long-term treatment that seems necessary in multiple myeloma

# Lenalidomide maintenance therapy

Study details	N	Treatment	Outcome	
<b>IFM 2005-02<sup>1</sup></b>  Median follow-up from start of maintenance: 67 months	307  307	Lenalidomide  Placebo	PFS 46 months  24 months <b>p&lt;0.001</b>	OS 82 months  81 months <b>p=ns</b>
<b>CALGB 100104<sup>2</sup></b>  Median follow-up from start of maintenance: 65 months	231  229	Lenalidomide  Placebo	TTP 53 months  26 months <b>p&lt;0.001</b>	Median OS not reached  76 months <b>p=0.001</b>
<b>GIMEMA<sup>3</sup></b>  Median follow-up from enrollment (for induction): 51.2 months	126  125	Lenalidomide  Placebo	PFS 41.9 months  21.6 months <b>p&lt;0.001</b>	3-year OS 88%  79% <b>p=0.14</b>

Attal, et al. N Engl J Med. 2012  
 McCarthy, et al. N Engl J Med. 2012  
 Palumbo, et al. N Engl J Med. 2014

# **Lenalidomide Maintenance After High-Dose Melphalan and Autologous Stem Cell Transplant in Multiple Myeloma: A Meta-Analysis of Overall Survival**

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# Studies Included in Meta-Analysis

## CALGB 100104

(accrual 8/2005 – 11/2009)

INDUCTION  
ASCT  
1:1  
RANDOMIZATION  
“NO EVIDENCE OF  
PD”

## IFM 2005-02

(accrual 6/2006 – 8/2008)

INDUCTION  
ASCT  
1:1 RANDOMIZATION  
“NO EVIDENCE OF  
PD”

## GIMEMA (RV-MM-PI-209)

(accrual 11/2007 – 7/2009)

**2 × 2 DESIGN**  
LEN + DEX × 4  
INDUCTION

ASCT

MPR: 6  
COURSES

PLACEBO  
(n = 229)

LEN MNTC<sup>a</sup>  
(n = 231)

PLACEBO  
(n = 307)

LEN MNTC<sup>a</sup>  
(n = 307)

NO  
TREATMENT  
(n = 68)

LEN MNTC<sup>b</sup>  
(n = 67)

NO  
TREATMENT

LEN  
MNTC<sup>b</sup>

INTERIM ANALYSIS AND

INTERIM ANALYSIS AND UNBLINDING

Dec 2009

Jan 2010

PRIMARY ANALYSIS

Dec 2009

CROSSOVER  
BEFORE PD  
ALLOWED

CONTINUED  
TREATMENT

NO CROSSOVER  
BEFORE PD  
ALLOWED

CONTINUED  
TREATMENT

ALL TREATMENT  
DISCONTINUED  
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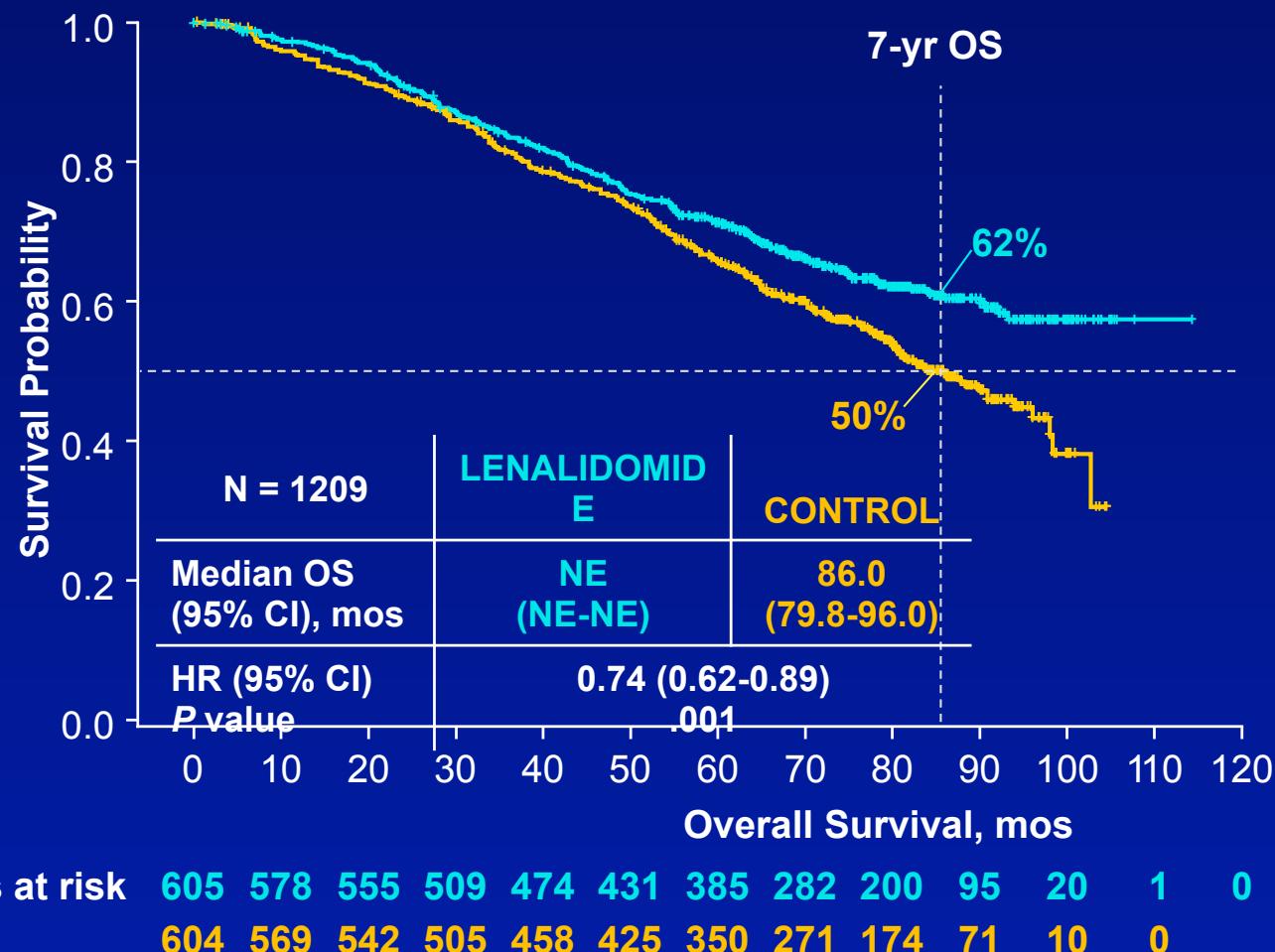
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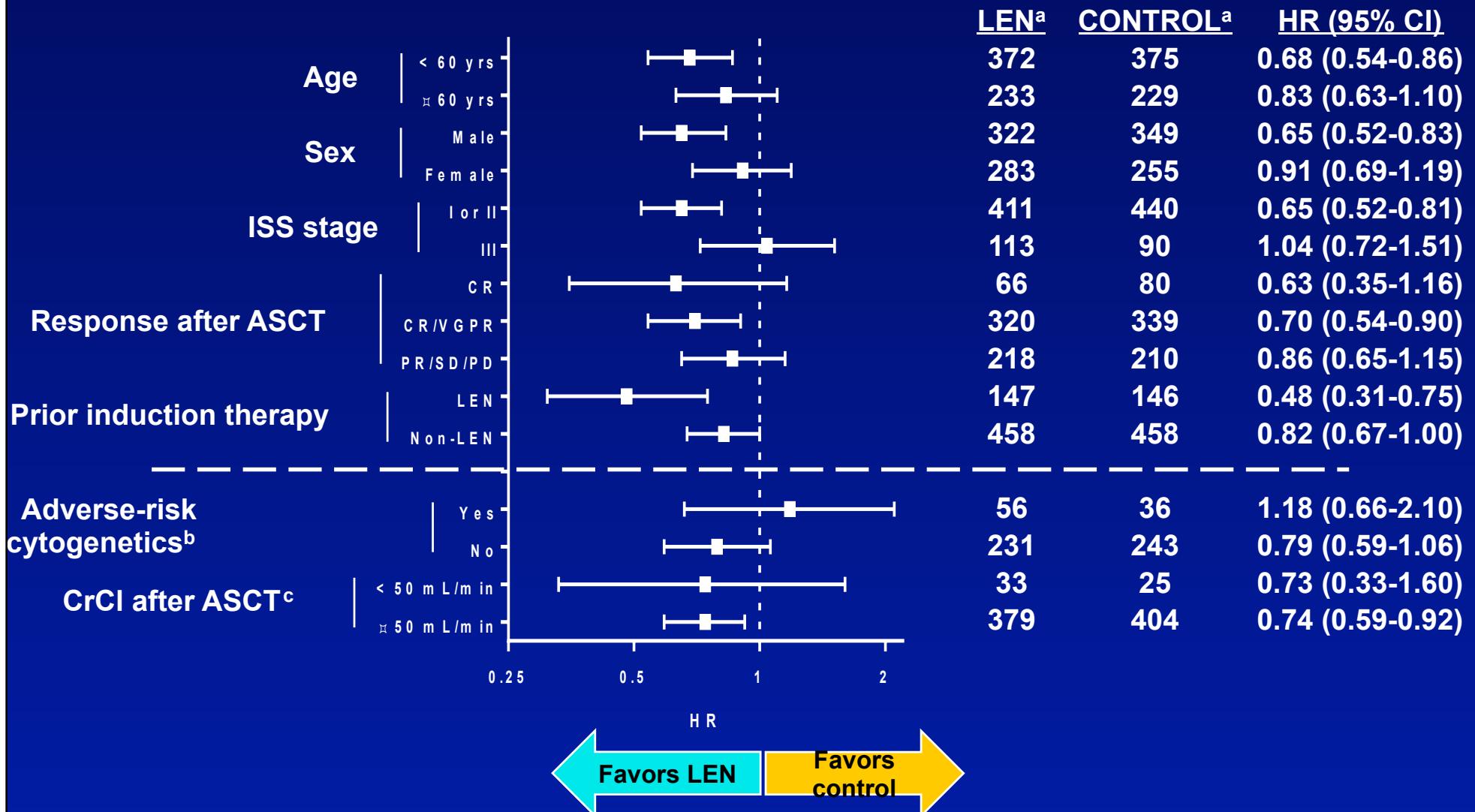
Target population of patients with NDMM who received LEN maintenance or placebo/no maintenance after ASCT

# Overall Survival: Median Follow-Up of 80 Months

There is a 26% reduction in risk of death, representing an estimated 2.5-year increase in median survival<sup>a</sup>



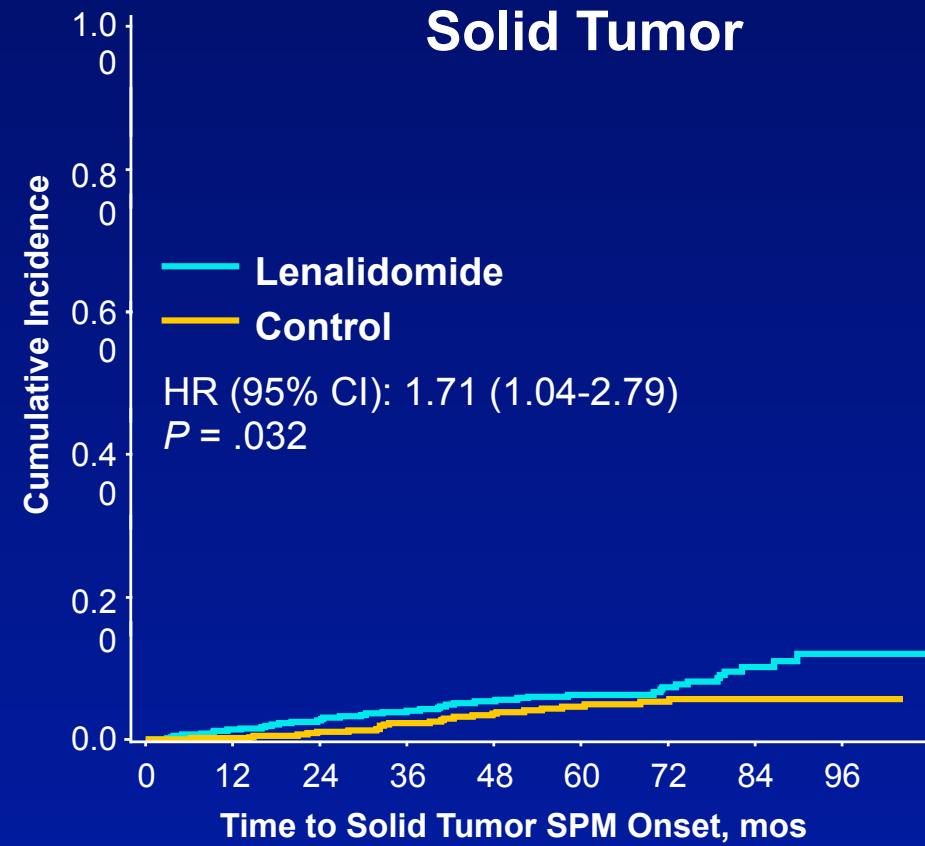
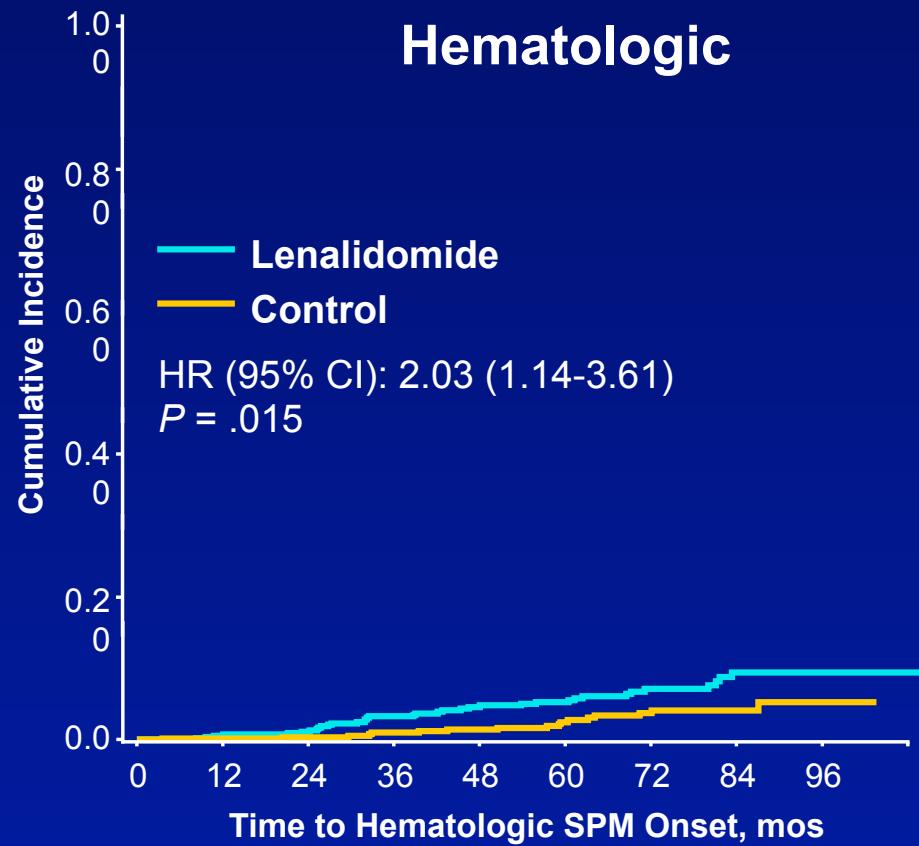
# Overall Survival: Subgroup Analysis



# Treatment Duration of Maintenance

	CALGB			IFM	
	LEN (n = 224)	Placebo Up to Crossover (n = 221)	LEN After Crossover (n = 76)	LEN (n = 306)	Placebo (n = 302)
Mean Tx duration, mos	30	13	25	25	20
Range (min-max)	(0-108)	(0-51)	(0-61)	(0-55)	(0-49)
Tx duration category, %					
≥ 1 yr	67	43	61	71	70
≥ 2 yrs	52	14	43	56	40
≥ 3 yrs	37	3	32	29	11
≥ 4 yrs	24	< 1	24	4	1

# Cumulative Incidence of SPMs



# **Lenalidomide as maintenance therapy following ASCT ?**

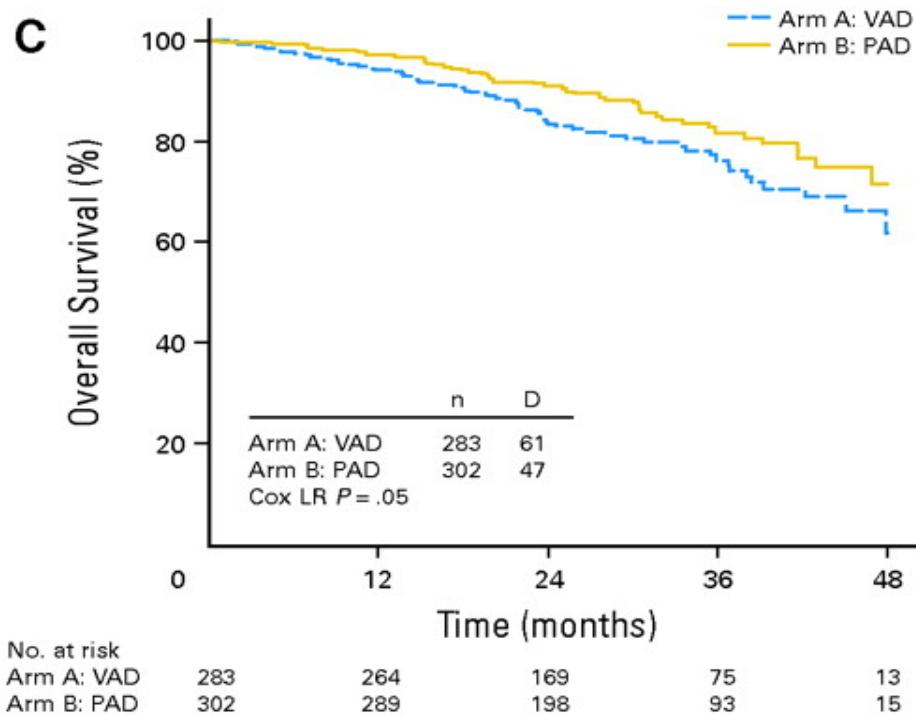
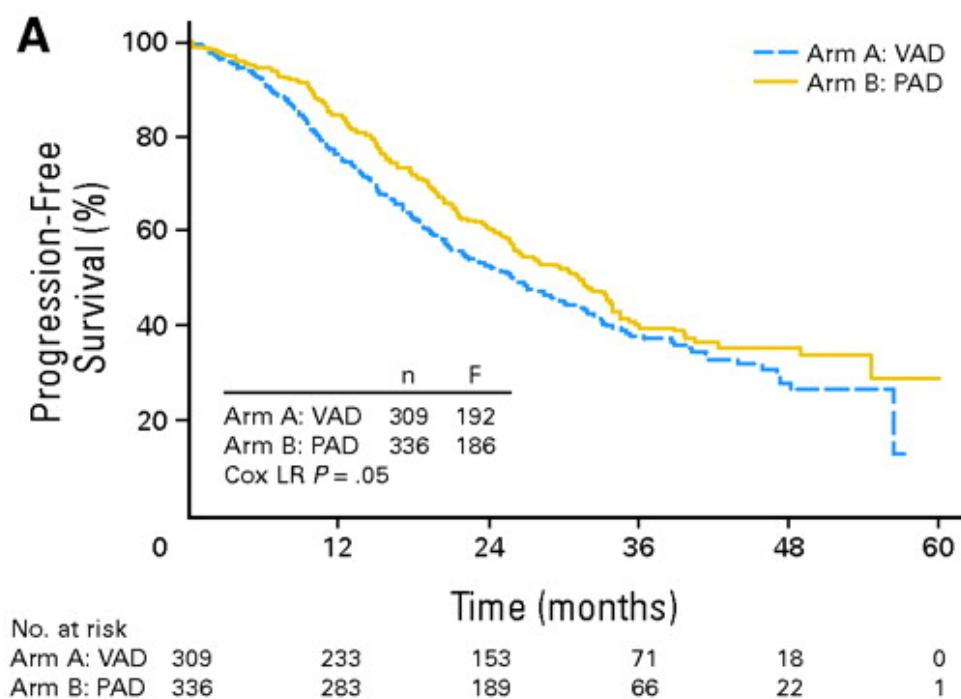
- Impact on PFS : YES
- Induction of resistance : ? (high risk patients)
- Overall survival : YES
- Toxicity, QOL : Manageable
- Cost-effectiveness/optimal duration : ?

# Bortezomib maintenance therapy

Study	Induction therapy	Maintenance therapy	Dose of Bort (mg/d)	Duration of maintenance	PFS/ EFS	OS
<b>Post-ASCT</b>						
HOVON-65/ GMMG-HD4	VAD PAD	Thal Bort	1.3 mg/m <sup>2</sup> every 2 weeks	For 2 years	35 mo 28 mo <i>P 0.002</i>	5 yrs 61% 55%
PETHEMA/GEM	VT TD VBMPC/VBAD/B	VT Thal IFNα	1.3 mg/m <sup>2</sup> D 1,4,8,11 every 3 months	For 3 years	<i>P 0.0009</i>	p=ns

Sonneveld P et al, JCO 2012; 30: 2946-55  
 Rosinol L et al, ASH 2012 Abs 334

# Landmark analysis starting at 12 months after random assignment: PFS and OS



# Feasibility of maintenance treatment

	VAD arm Thalidomide %	PAD arm Bortezomib %
<b>Started M (n)</b>	270	229
<b>At 6 months</b>	78	90
<b>At 12 months</b>	54	76
<b>At 18 months</b>	40	64
<b>At 24 months</b>	27	47

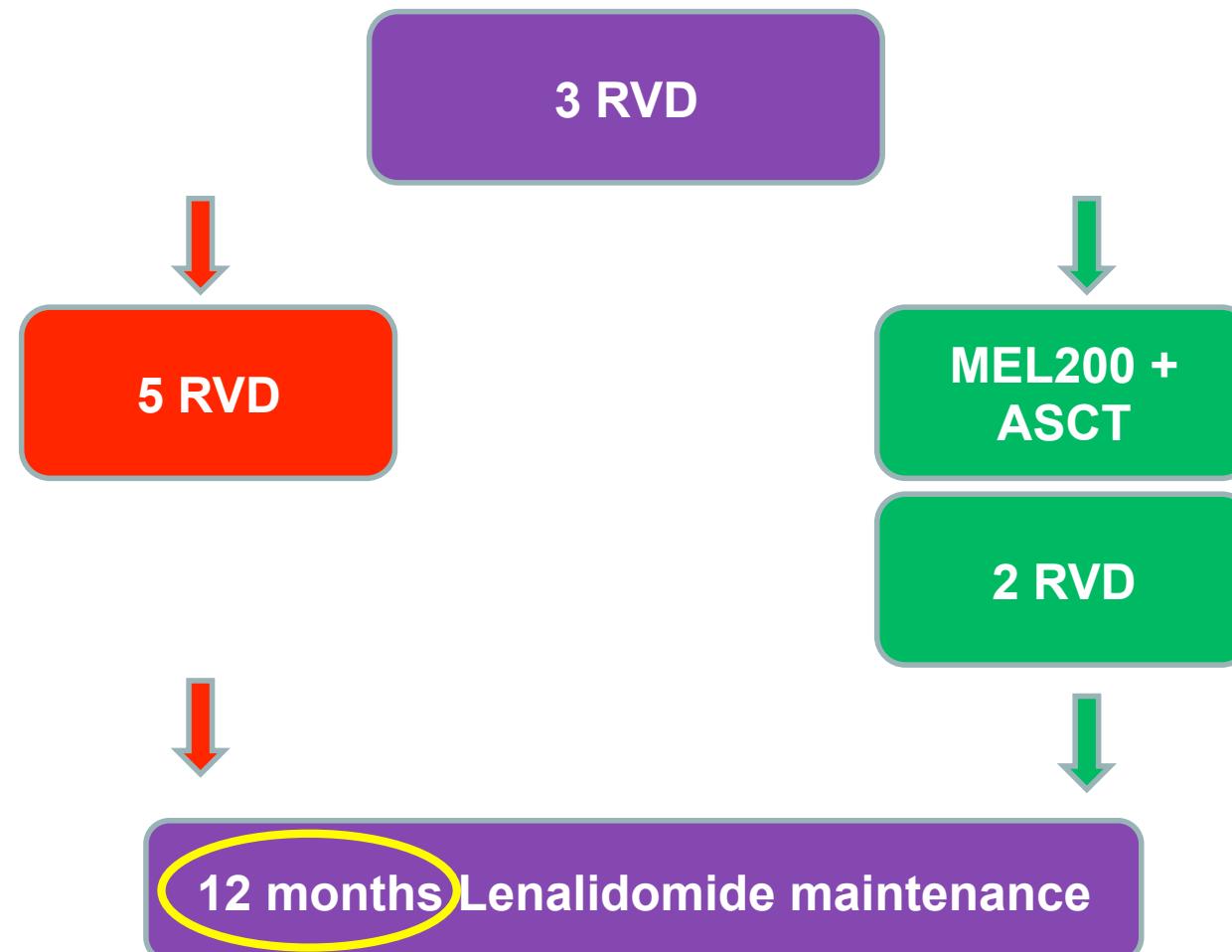
# **Bortezomib as maintenance therapy following ASCT ?**

- Impact on PFS, duration of response : YES
- Induction of resistance : ?
- Overall survival : YES
- Toxicity, QOL : INFECTION
- Cost-effectiveness : ?

# **On-going trials**

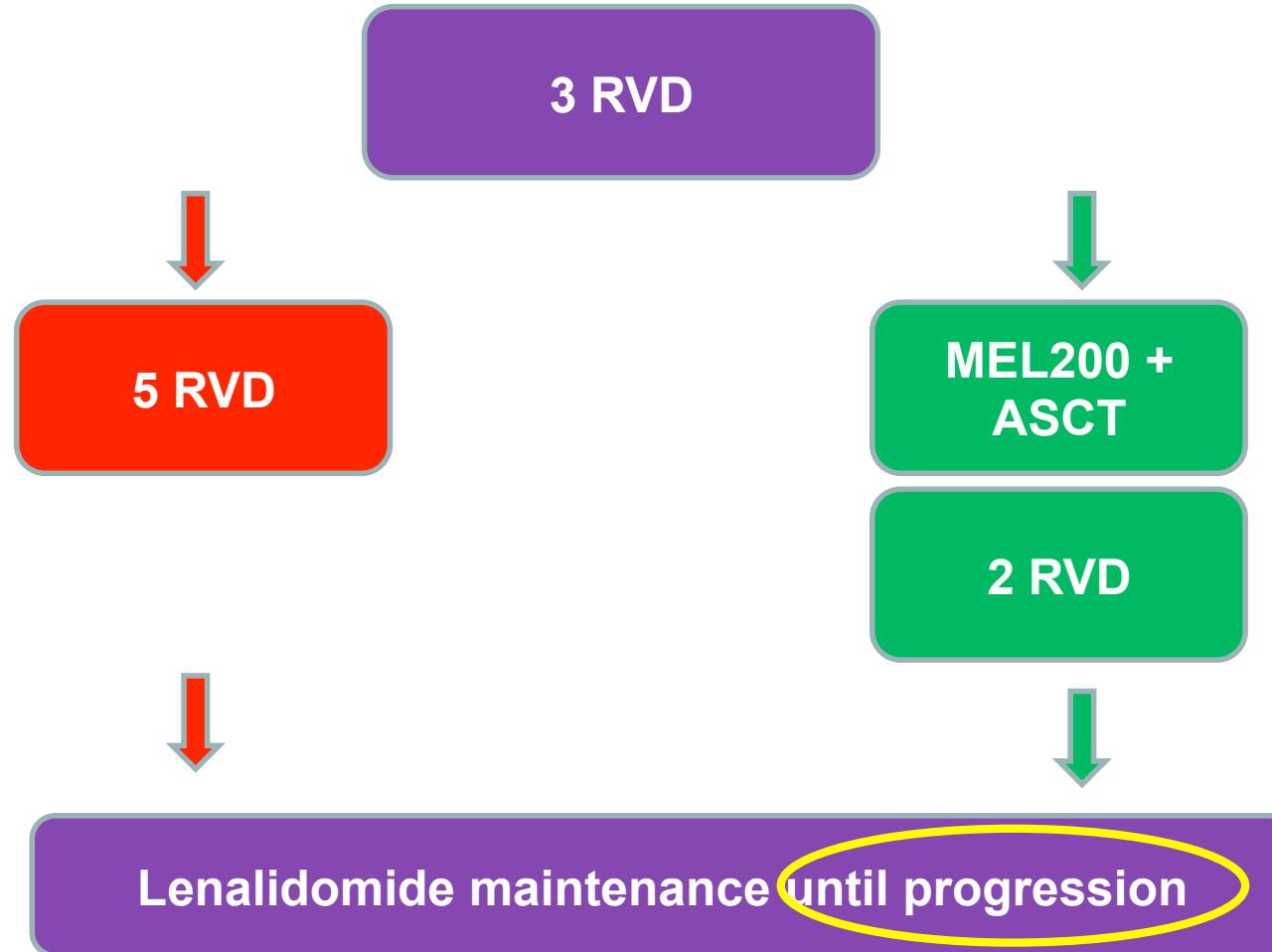
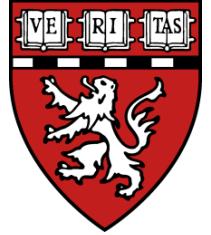


**IFM 2009 Trial**  
**700 patients < 66y,**  
**Newly diagnosed symptomatic MM**





**DFCI 2009 Trial**  
**660 patients < 66y,**  
**Newly diagnosed symptomatic MM**



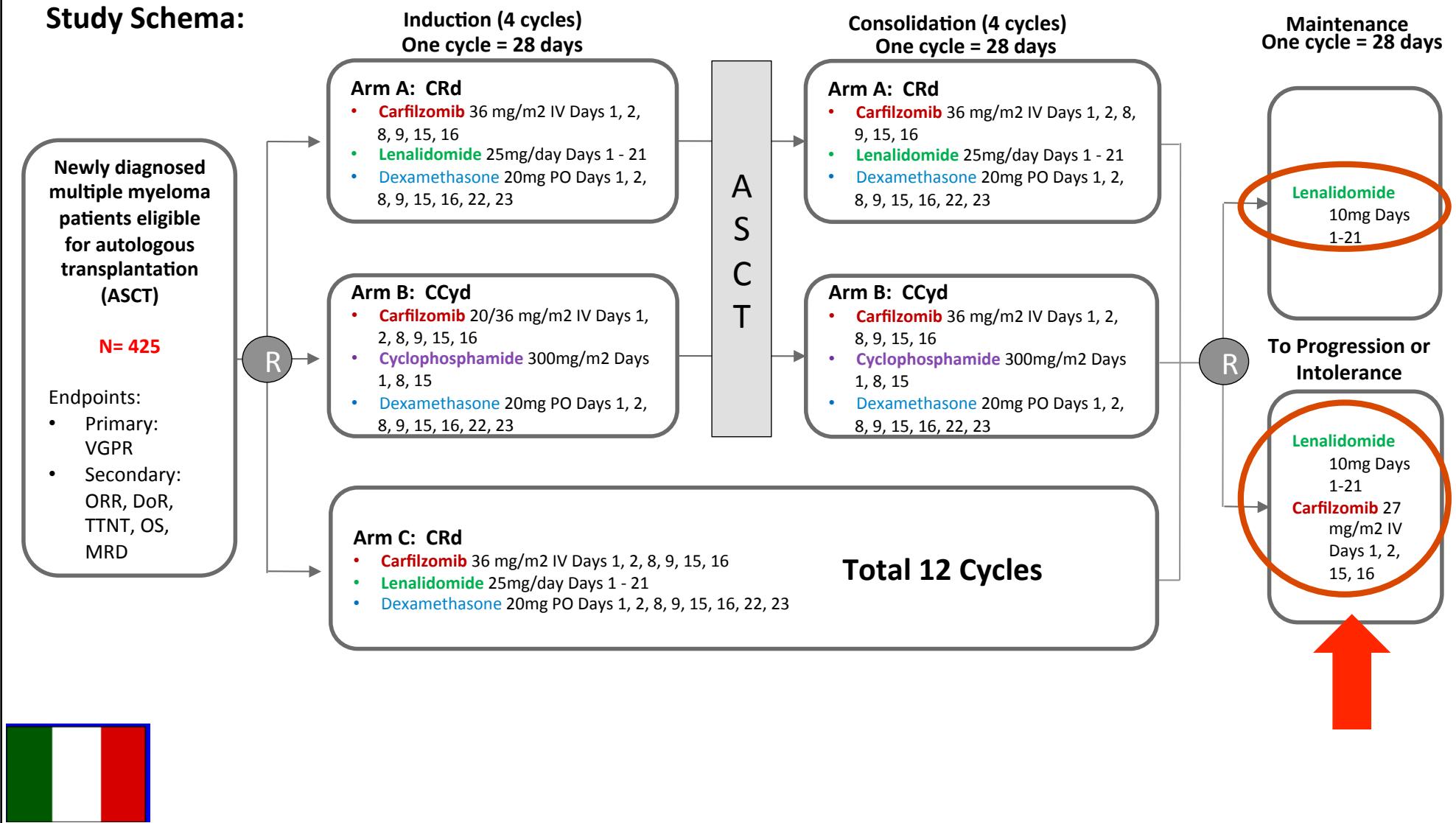
# Ixazomib maintenance therapy

Study details	n	Treatment	PFS
MLN9708 <sup>3</sup> Median follow-up: 31.2 months (Overall trial)	21	Ixazomib + Rd → ASCT (eligible patients) → ixazomib maintenance	Not reached

- Tourmaline MM-03: ixazomib vs Placebo as maintenance after ASCT, on-going

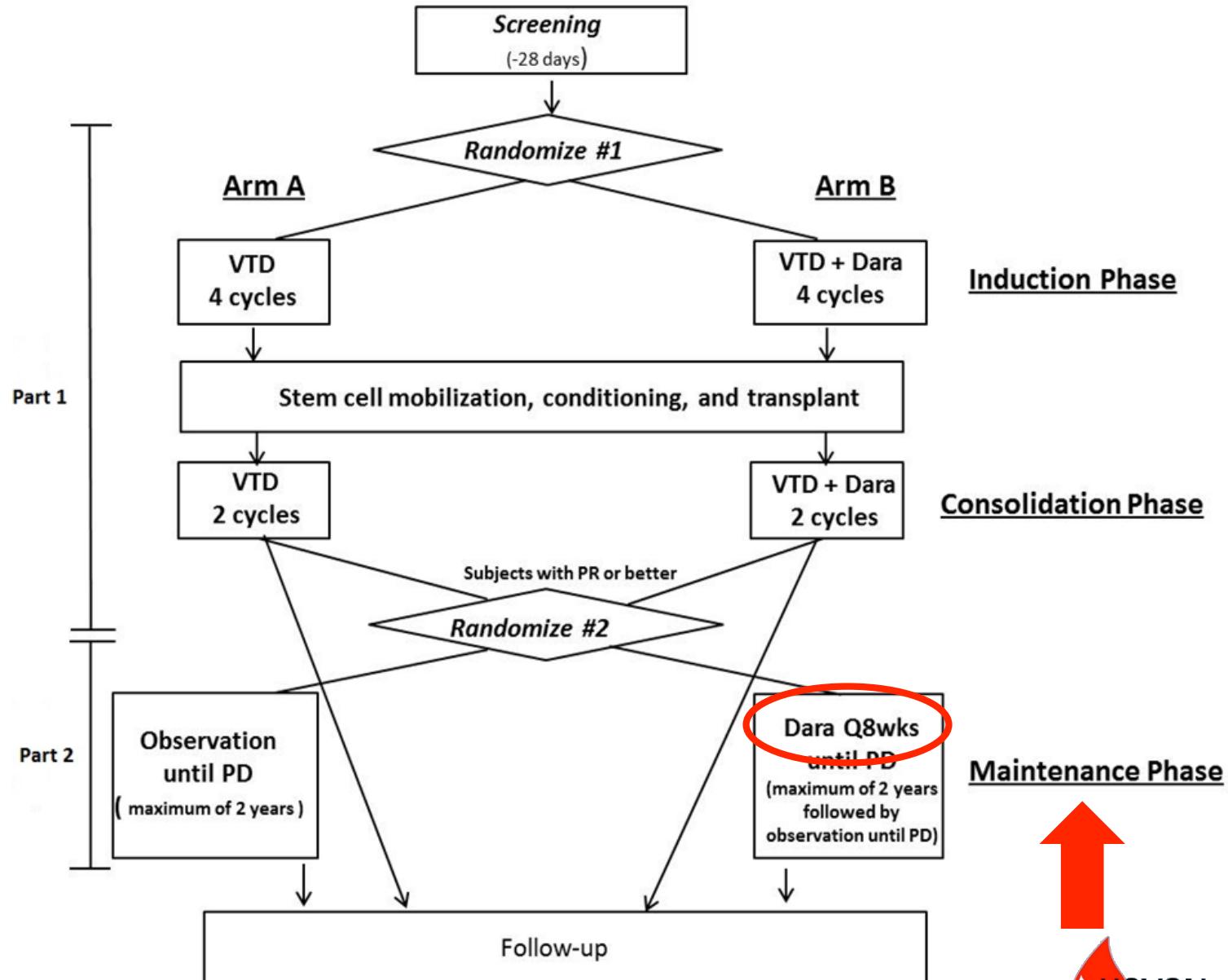
# KRd study design

## Study Schema:

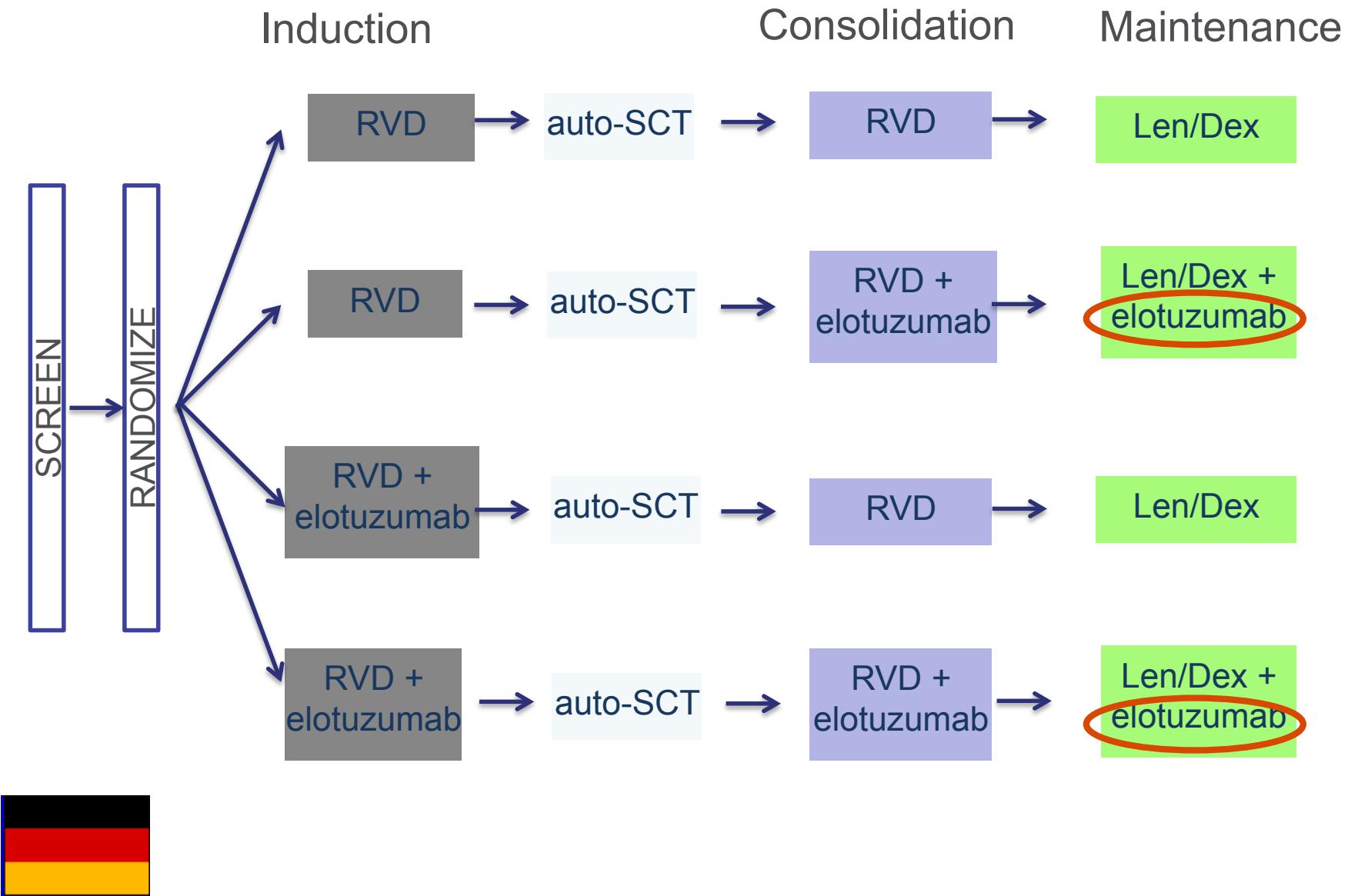


# Study Scheme

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M



# Phase 3: Elotuzumab + VRD induction/consolidation + Lenalidomide maintenance in newly diagnosed MM (GMMG-HD6)



# **Conclusions**

## **Maintenance in young patients**

**Maintenance post-transplant is a valuable option**

- **Survival benefit with lenalidomide**
- **Other oral agents : ixazomib ?**
- **Improvement with the addition of MoAb ?**

# **Patients not eligible for ASCT**

# Maintenance treatment in the non-transplant setting: thalidomide

	Median follow-up (months)	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)	Reference
<b>MPT + T</b> vs <b>MP</b>	38	21.8*	45.0	<i>Palumbo et al.</i> <i>Blood 2008; 112(8):3107-14</i>
<b>MPT + T</b> vs <b>MP</b>	39	13*	40*	<i>Wijermans et al.</i> <i>JCO 2010; 28(19):3160-6</i>
<b>MPT + T</b> vs <b>MP</b>	42	15	29	<i>Waage et al.</i> <i>Blood 2010; 116(9):1405-12</i>
<b>CTDa/MP (CTD/CVAD) + T</b> vs <b>CTDa/MP (CTD/CVAD)</b>	46	11*	38	<i>Morgan et al.</i> <i>Blood 2012; 119(1):7-15</i>
<b>Thal-IFN</b> vs <b>IFN†</b>	35	27.7*	52.6	<i>Ludwig et al.</i> <i>Haematologica 2010; 95(9):1548-54</i>
<sup>†</sup> Thal/Dex vs MP induction		*significant difference between arms		

# Phase III: VMPT + VT vs VMP in elderly patients with newly diagnosed MM – GIMEMA study

Patients (n=511): >65 years old; median age 71 years

Treatment

**VMPT**

9 x 5-week cycles

Bortezomib **weekly**

Melphalan

Prednisone

Thalidomide

↓

**Maintenance:**

Bortezomib (every 15 days) +  
Thalidomide for 2 years



**VMP**

9 x 5-week cycles

Bortezomib **weekly**

Melphalan

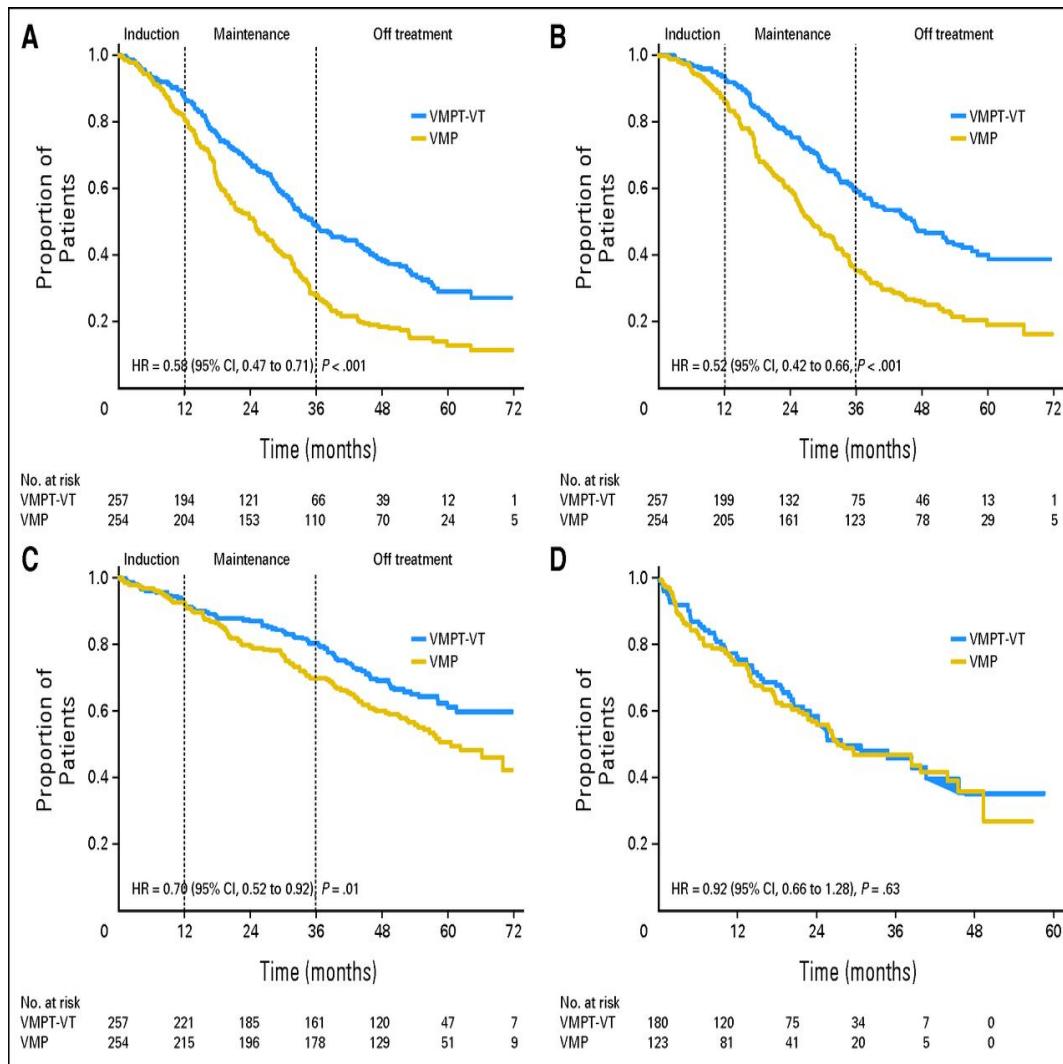
Prednisone

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**No maintenance**

## Survival outcomes in the intention-to-treat population, according to study group.

PFS



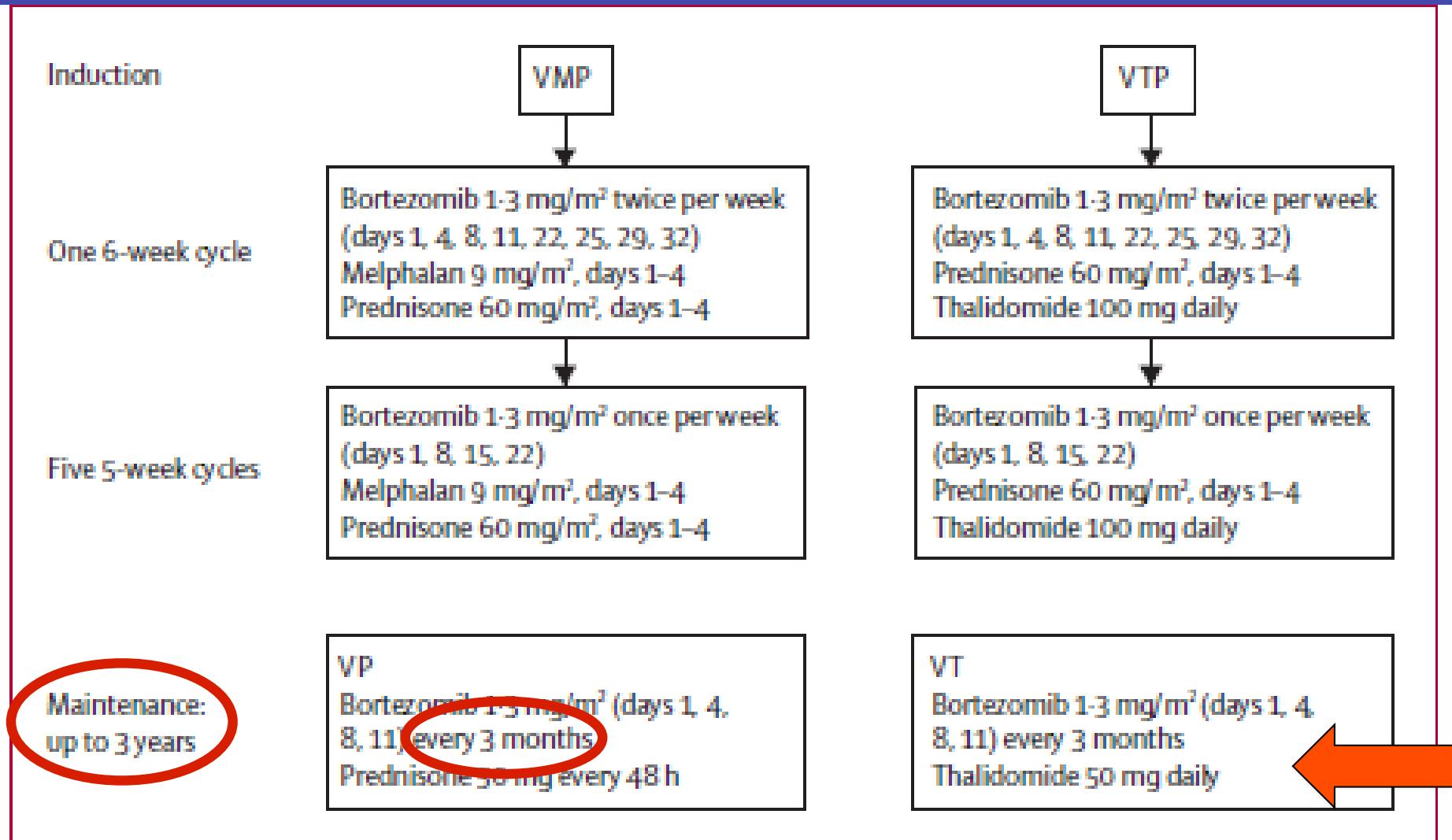
TNT

OS

OS post relapse

Palumbo A et al. JCO 2014;32:634-640

# Weekly bortezomib in Elderly Patients



**Figure 1: Schedule of induction and maintenance treatment**  
V=bortezomib. M=melphalan. P=prednisone. T=thalidomide.

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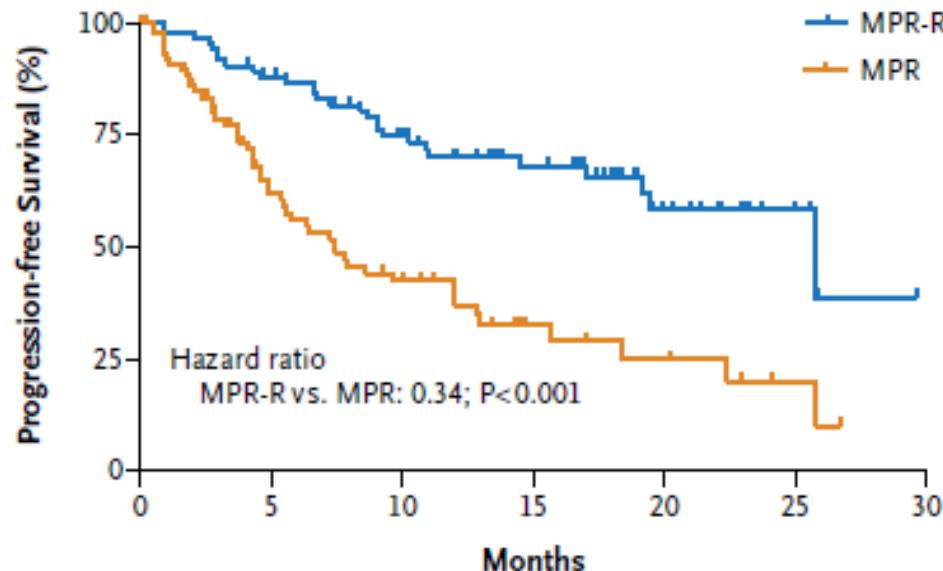
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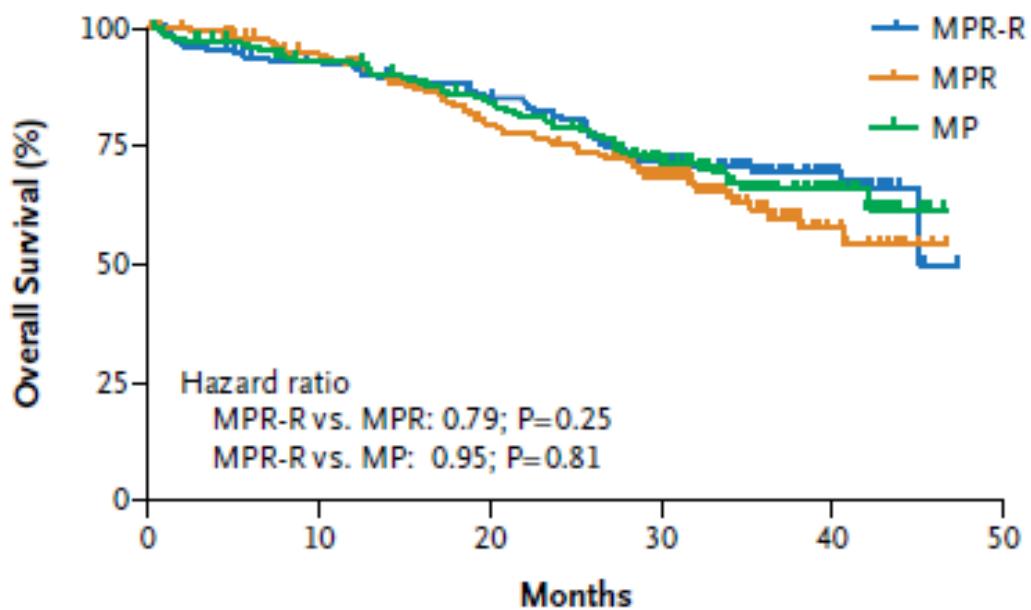
### B Progression-free Survival, Landmark Analysis



#### No. at Risk

MPR-R	88	71	52	33	14	5	0
MPR	94	43	27	9	6	2	0

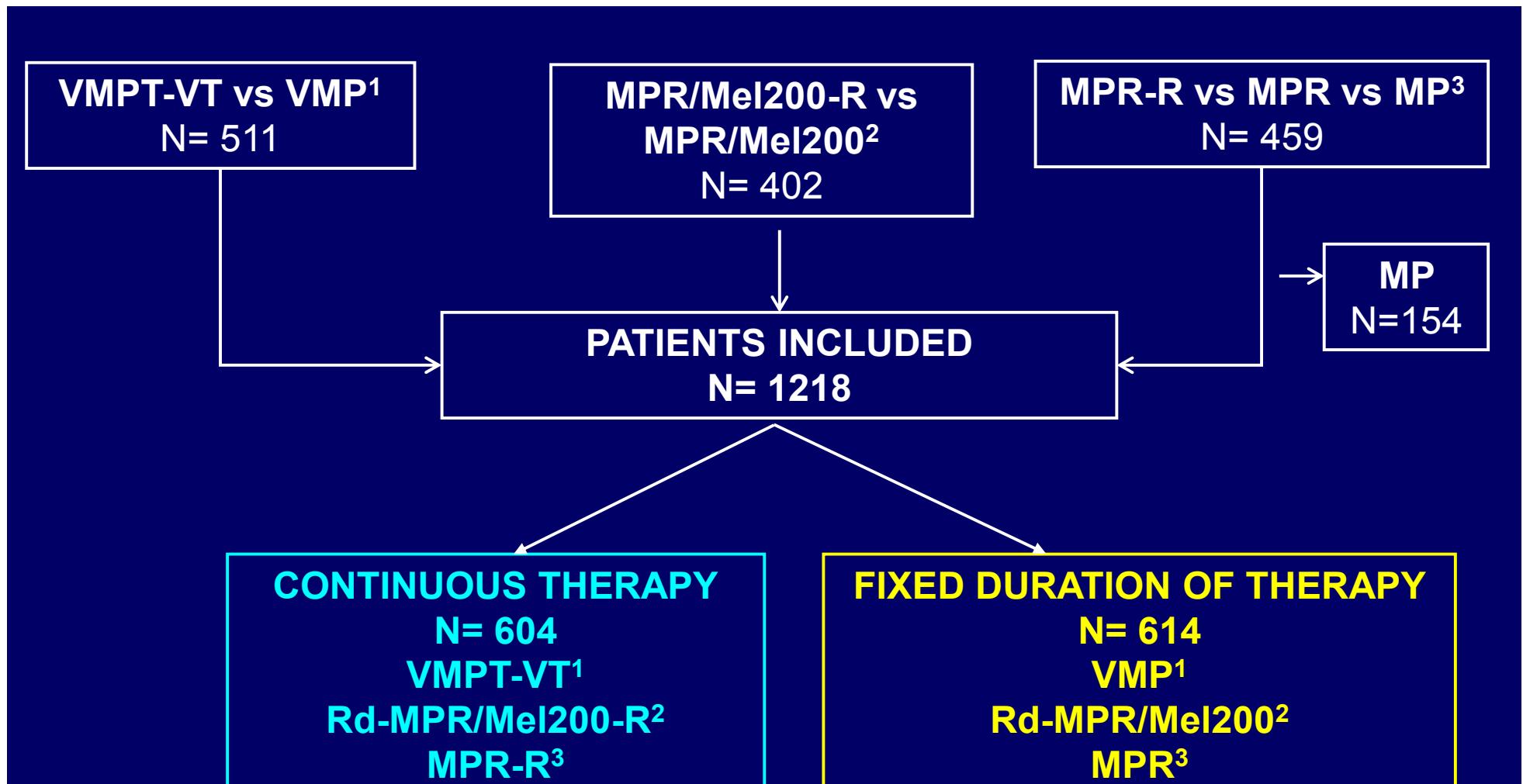
**C Overall Survival**



**No. at Risk**

MPR-R	152	130	117	82	27	0
MPR	153	134	108	79	18	0
MP	154	134	117	84	24	0

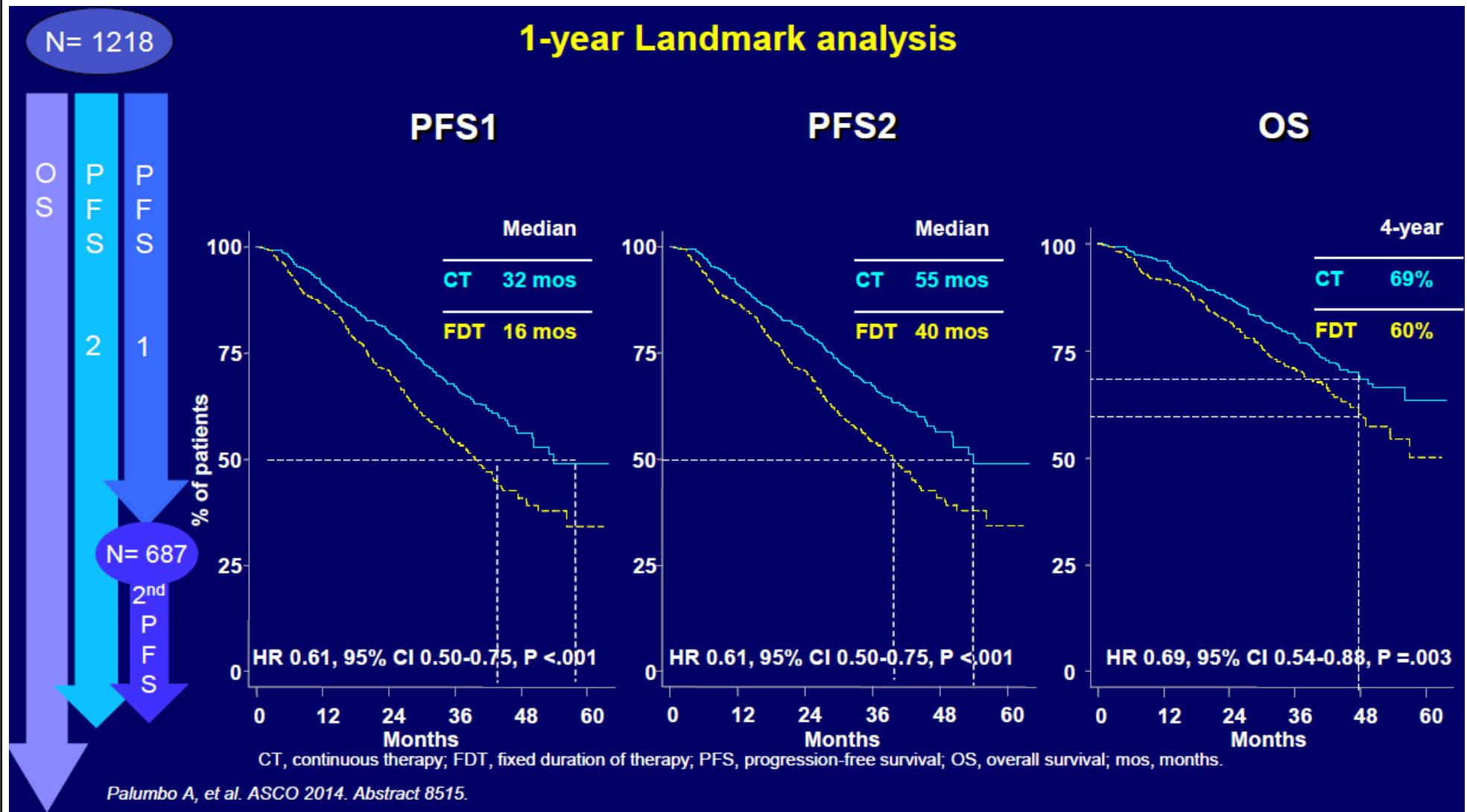
# Continuous vs Fixed duration Meta-analysis of 3 studies: 1218 patients



CT, continuous therapy; FDT, Fixed duration of therapy, VMPT, bortezomib-melphalan-prednisone-thalidomide, VT, bortezomib-thalidomide maintenance, VMP, bortezomib-melphalan-prednisone; MPR, melphalan-prednisone-lenalidomide; Mel200, melphalan 200 mg/mq followed by autologous transplant; R, lenalidomide maintenance; MP, melphalan-prednisone.

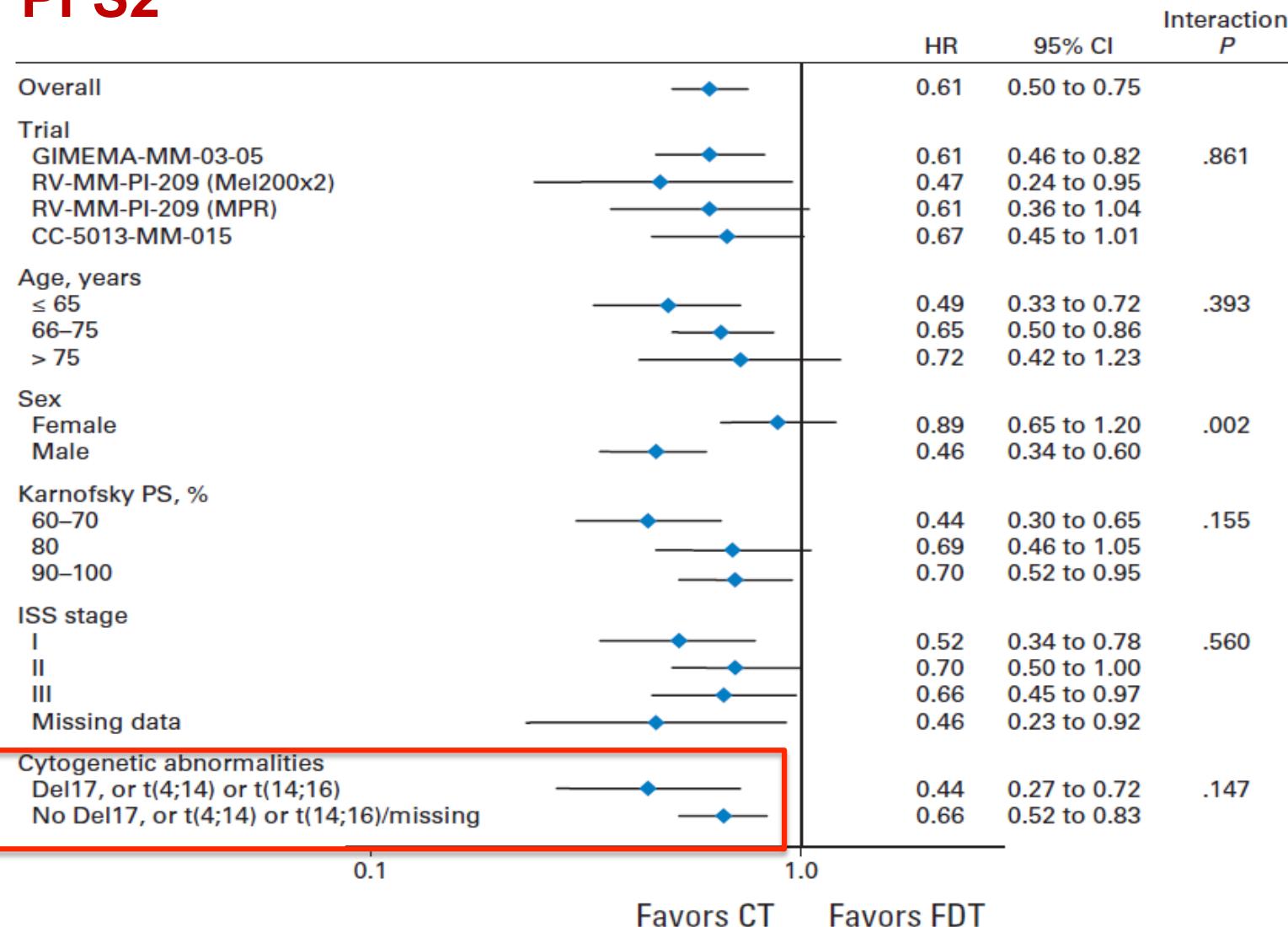
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# Continuous vs Fixed duration PFS1, PFS2 and OS

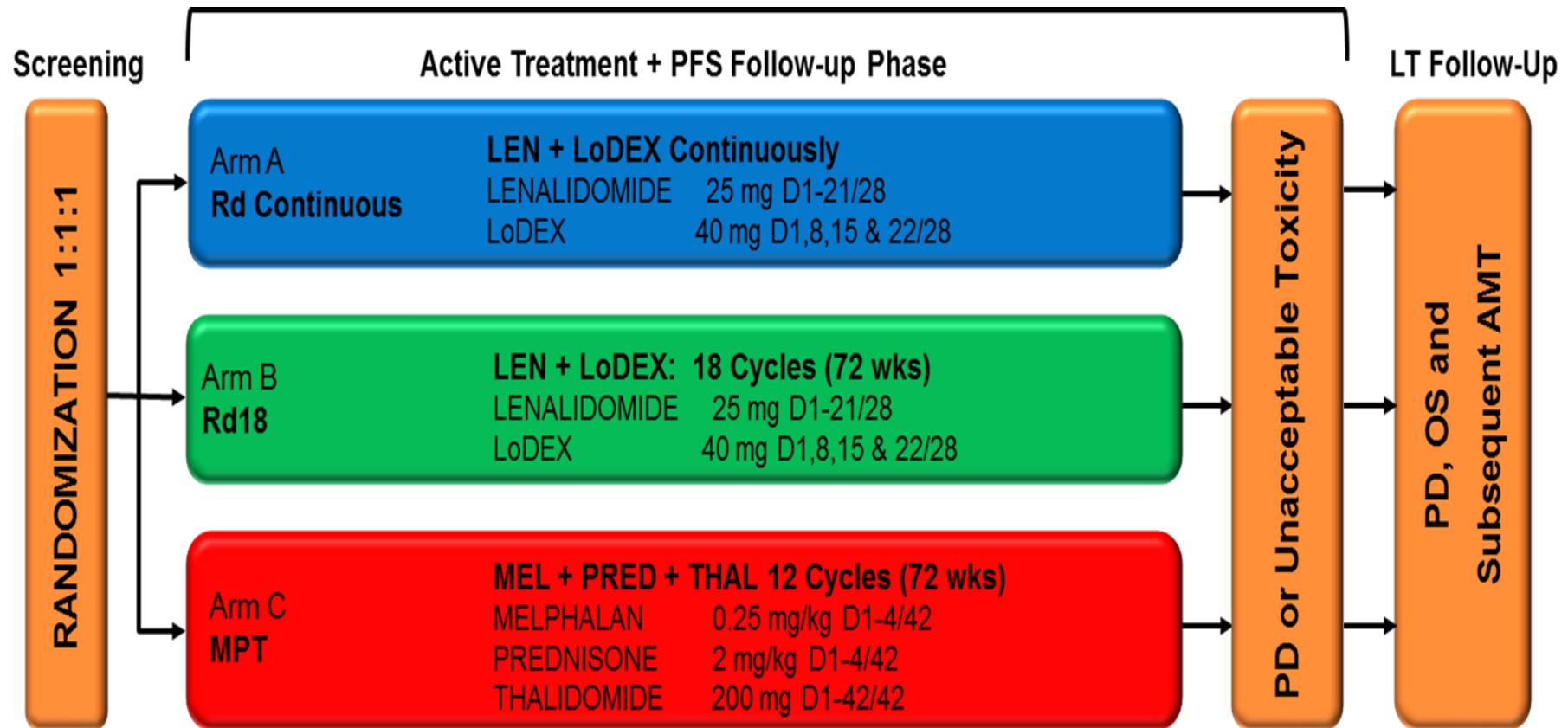


**Continuous treatment significantly improved PFS1, PFS2, and OS. Prolongation of PFS2 suggests that the treatment is not introducing resistance in next line therapy.**

## PFS2



# FIRST/MM020/ IFM 2007-01 trial : MPT vs Len-Dex (Rd)

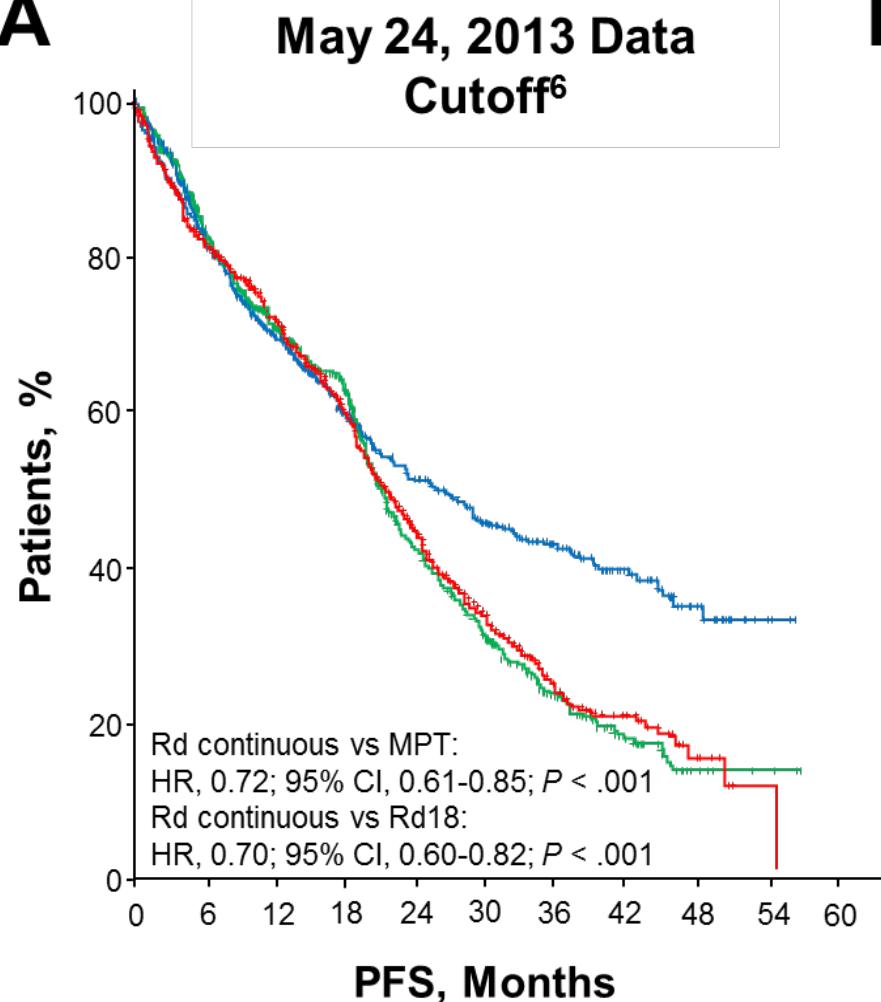
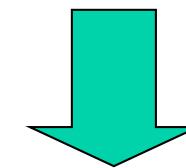
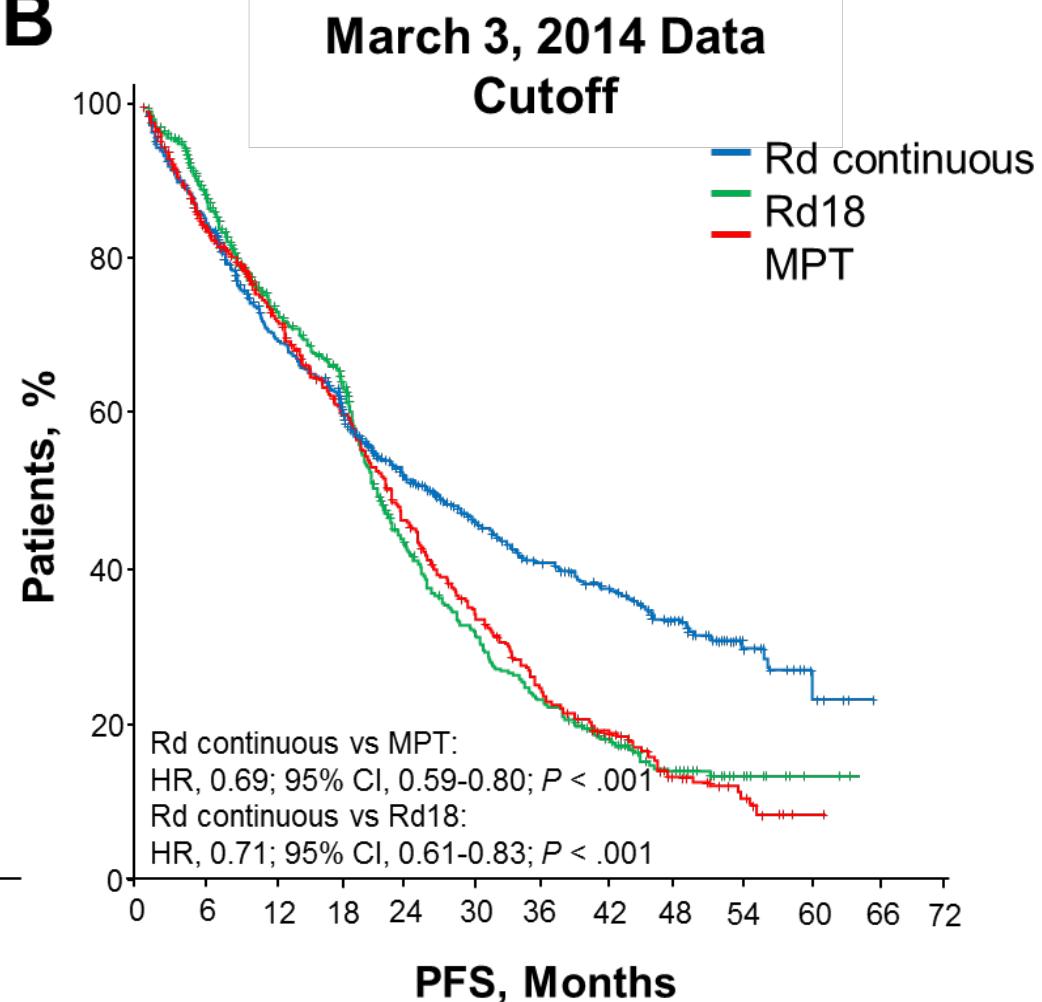


Pts > 75 yrs: LoDEX 20 mg D1, 8, 15 & 22/28; THAL 100 mg D1-42/42; MEL 0.2 mg/kg D1-4

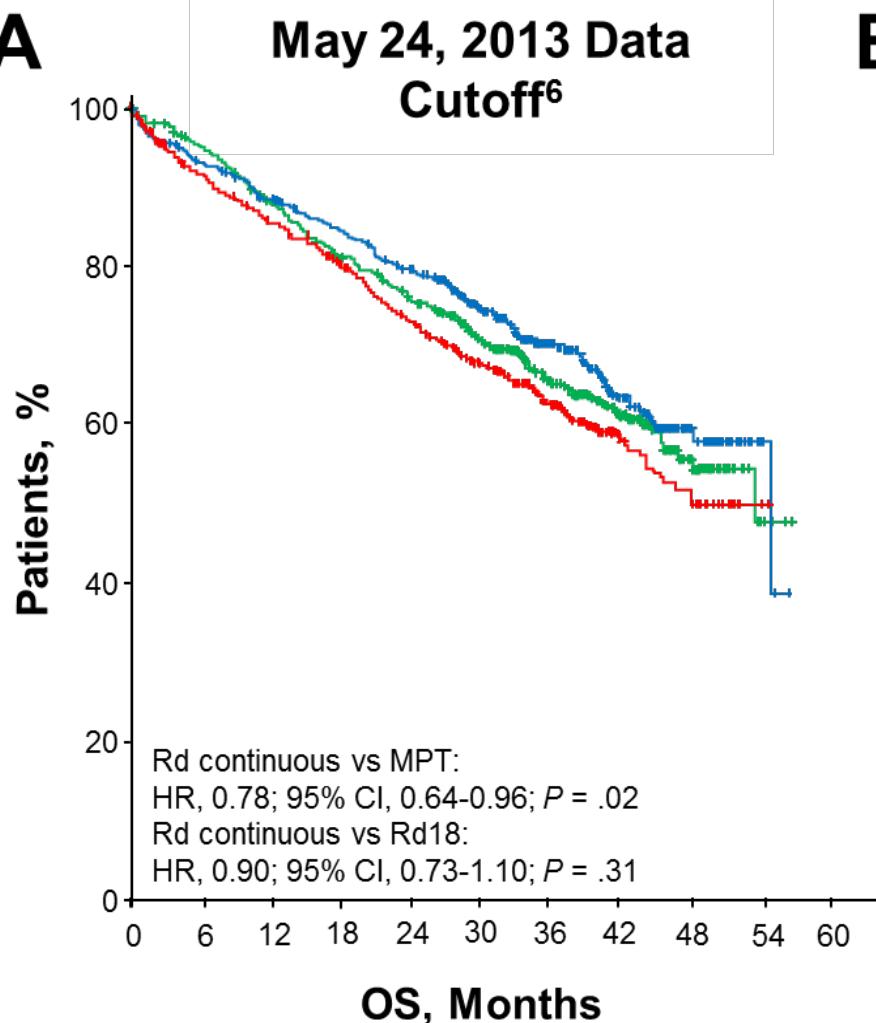
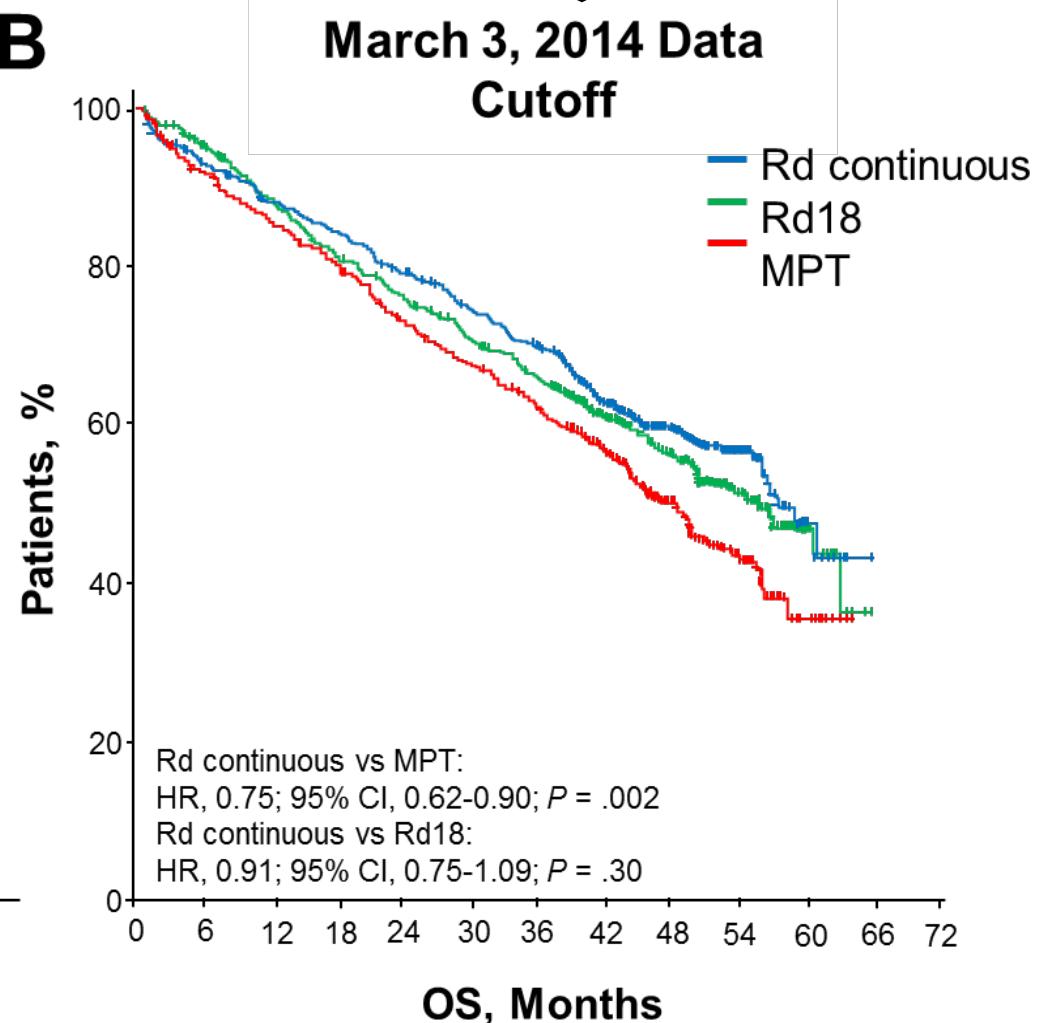
- Stratification: age, country and ISS stage
- All patients received thromboprophylaxis
- At the time of data cutoff on March 3, 2014, median follow-up was 45.5 mo

**Lenalidomide / low-dose dex  
in elderly patients is  
proposed until progression:**

**Isn't it a maintenance ?**

**A****B**

Abstract #8524 / Facon, ASCO 2015 – Updated OS and PFS analysis of MM020 trial

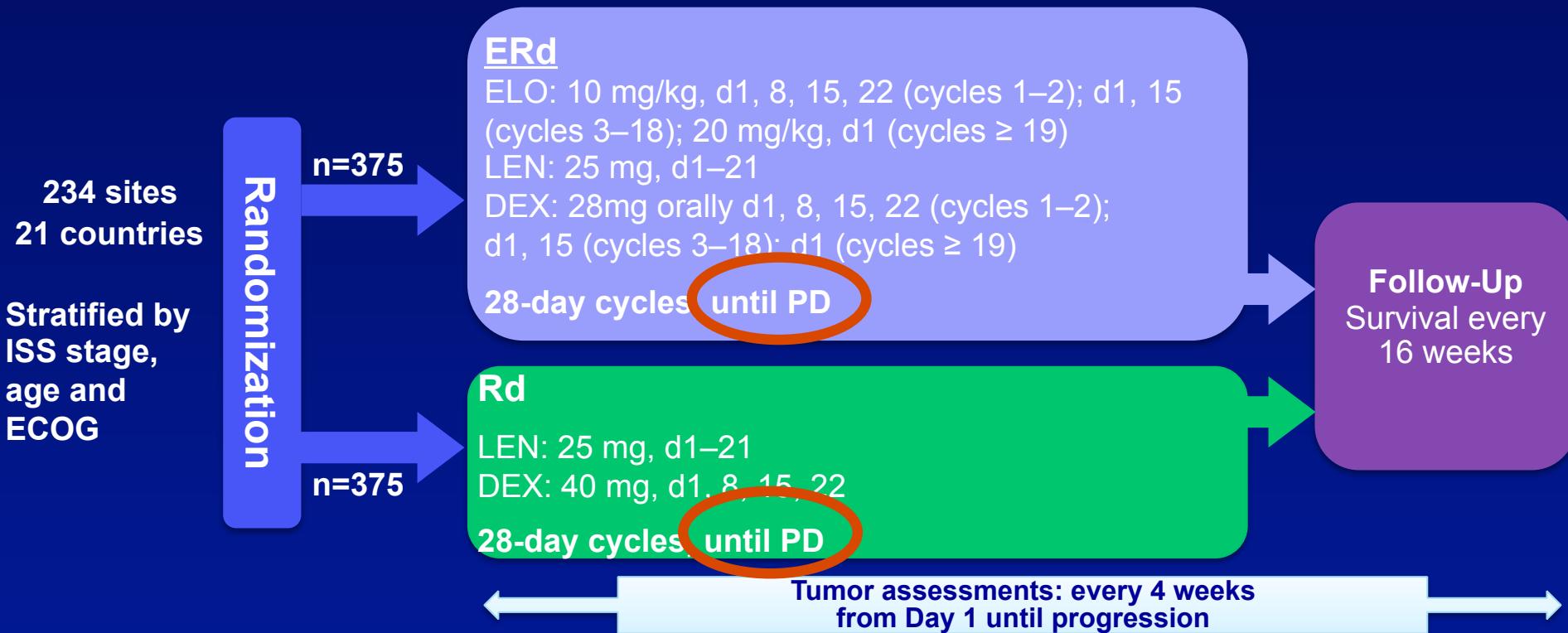
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**Len-dex until PD**

**How to improve ?**

**On-going trials**

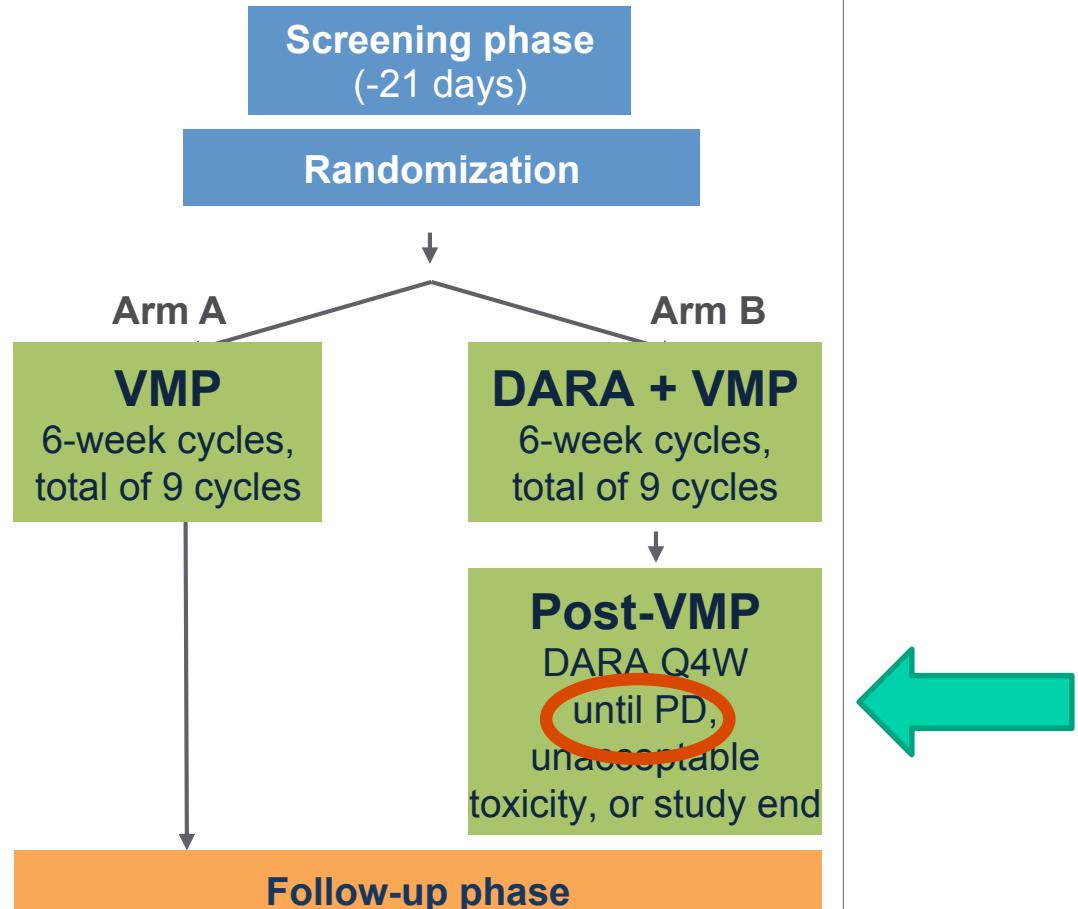
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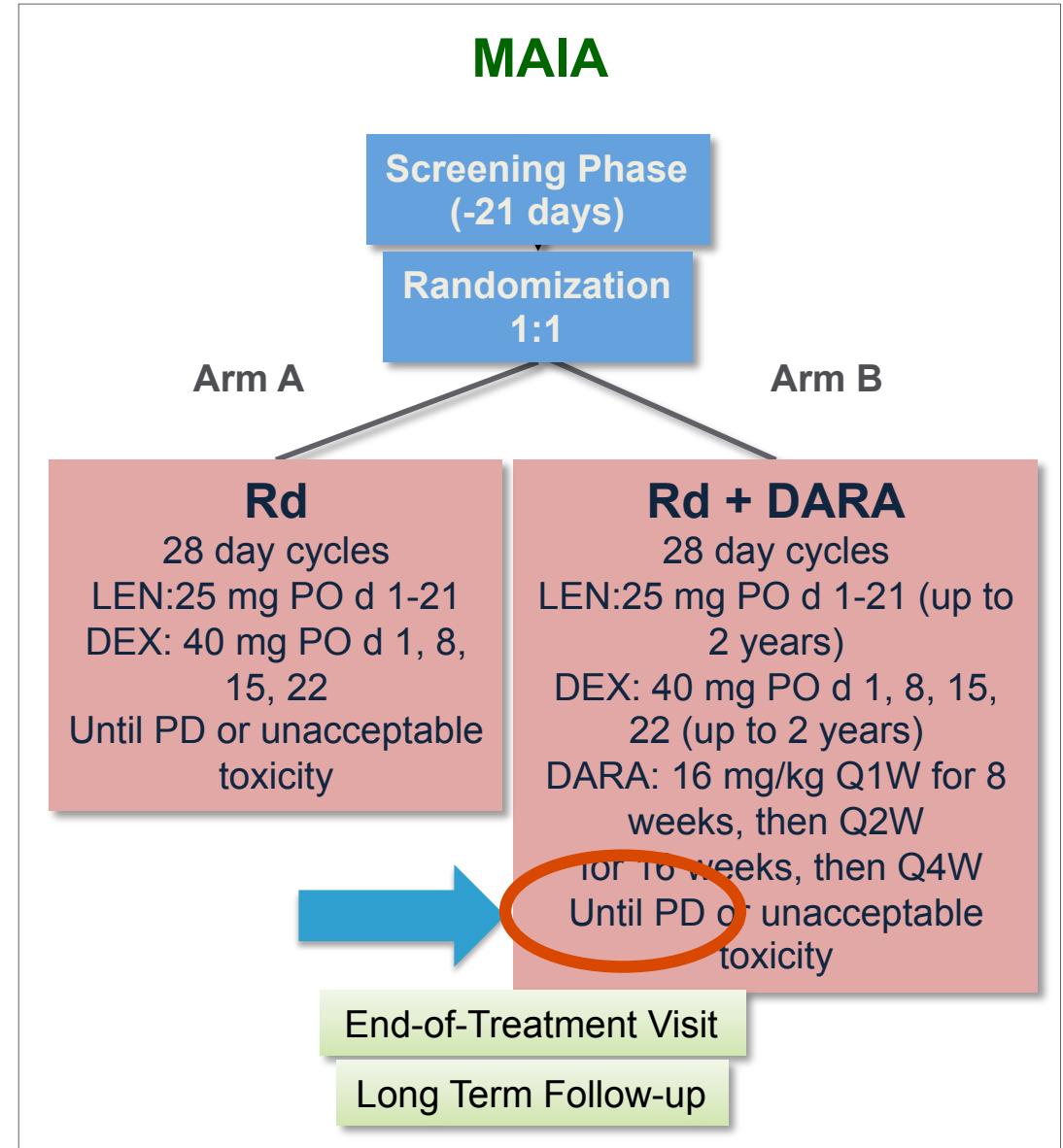
- Primary endpoint: PFS (EBMT)
  - Primary endpoint analysis expected Q4 2018
- Secondary endpoints: ORR, OS

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## **On-going trial with ixazomib**

- Rd-placebo vs Rd-Ixazomib, Tourmaline MM-2
- Ixazomib vs placebo in non ASCT eligible patients after induction, Tourmaline MM-4

# **Conclusions**

## **Maintenance in elderly patients**

**PFS improvement**

**FIRST trial: len-dex until progression**

**Ongoing trials Len-dex + ...**

**Role of Ixazomib ?**