

Advances in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

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CLL Impact at ASH 2023

- **4 Oral Sessions**
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 - **1 Sunday**
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- **Poster Sessions**
 - **203 Posters Focused on CLL**

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ELEVATE-TN



ELEVATE-TN study design

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TN CLL (N=535)

Key inclusion criteria

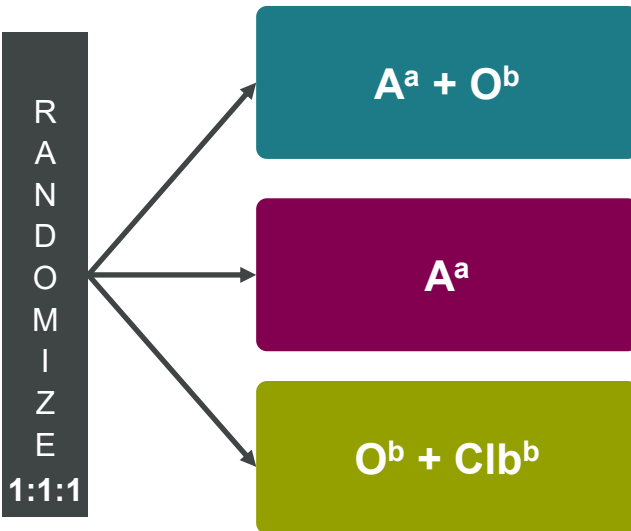
- Age ≥ 65 years, or >18 to <65 years with:
 - Creatinine clearance 30–69 mL/min (by Cockcroft-Gault equation)
 - CIRS-G score >6
- TN CLL requiring treatment per iwCLL 2008 criteria⁶
- ECOG PS ≤ 2

Key exclusion criteria

- Significant cardiovascular disease

Stratification

- del(17p), yes vs no
- ECOG PS 0–1 vs 2
- Geographic region



Primary endpoint

- PFS (IRC-assessed): A+O vs O+Clb

Secondary/other endpoints

- PFS (IRC-assessed): A vs O+Clb
- PFS (INV-assessed)
- ORR (IRC- and INV-assessed)
- TTNT
- OS
- uMRD
- Safety

Crossover from O+Clb to A was allowed after IRC-confirmed progression

Note: After interim analysis, PFS assessments were by investigator only.³
All analyses are ad-hoc and *P*-values are descriptive.

NCT02475681. Data cutoff: March 3, 2023. Patients were enrolled between September 2015 and February 2017.

^aContinued until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity at 100 mg PO BID.

^bTreatments were fixed duration and administered for 6 cycles.

ELEVATE-TN 6 Year Update

Patient disposition

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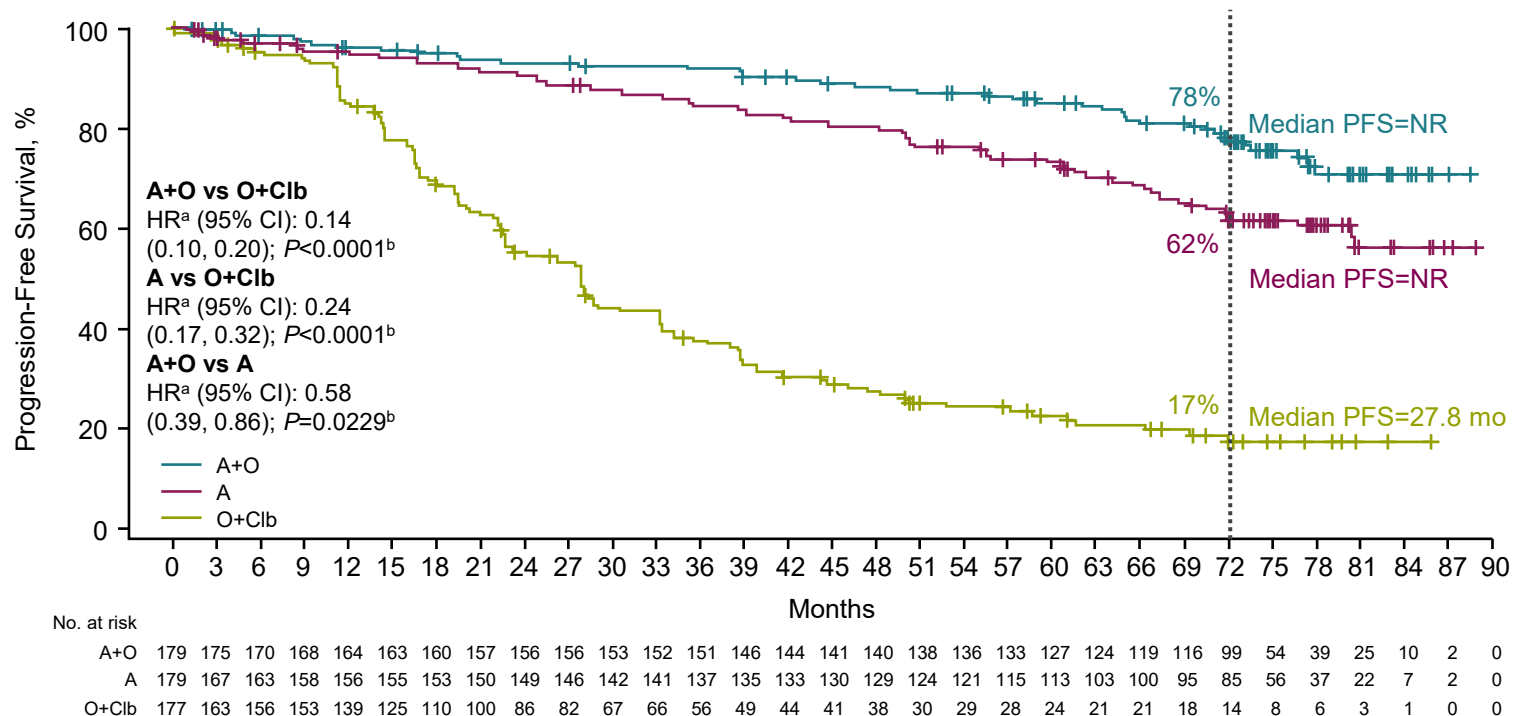
Characteristic	A+O (n=179)	A (n=179)	O+Clb (n=177)
Median study follow-up, mo (range)	74.6 (1.7, 89.0)	74.5 (0.1, 88.8)	73.3 (0.0, 88.8)
Treated with ≥1 dose of study drug	179 (100.0)	178 (99.4)	169 (95.5)
Randomized but not treated	0	1 (0.6)	8 (4.5)
Treatment status ^a			
Ongoing	96 (53.6)	84 (46.9)	0
Completed regimen	–	–	136 (76.8)
Discontinued regimen	83 (46.4)	95 (53.1)	41 (23.2)
Death	5 (2.8)	16 (8.9)	3 (1.7)
AE	38 (21.2)	32 (17.9)	25 (14.1)
Acalabrutinib-related AE	9 (5.0)	13 (7.3)	–
Lost to follow-up	2 (1.1)	1 (0.6)	1 (0.6)
CLL progressive disease	10 (5.6)	25 (14.0)	4 (2.3)
Withdrawal of consent	5 (2.8)	3 (1.7)	6 (3.4)
Investigator's discretion	13 (7.3)	13 (7.3)	0
Other	10 (5.6)	5 (2.8)	2 (1.1)

Data are n (%) unless otherwise specified.

^aTreatment status refers to the period on treatment. For A-containing arms, patients are treated to progression or unacceptable toxicity; treatment period is 6 months fixed duration for O+Clb.

Crossover to A monotherapy	O+Clb (n=177)
Crossed over	79 (44.6)
Discontinued A monotherapy	32 (40.5)
AE	10 (12.7)
CLL progressive disease	13 (16.5)
Death	3 (3.8)
Withdrawal of consent	1 (1.3)
Investigator's discretion	1 (1.3)
Other	4 (5.1)

Median PFS was significantly higher for A-containing arms vs O+Clb



- Median PFS was significantly higher for A+O vs A

^aHazard ratio based on stratified Cox proportional-hazards model.

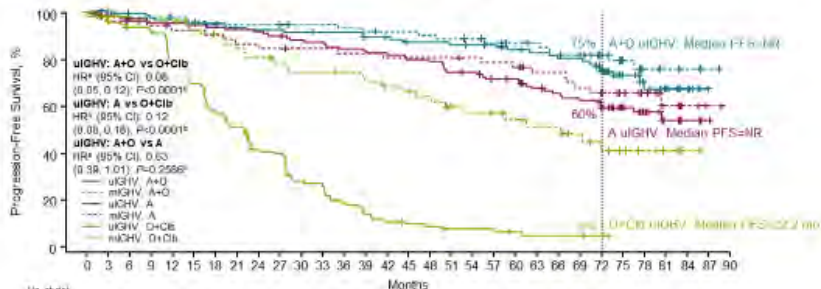
^b*P*-value based on stratified log-rank test.

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PFS and IGHV and TP53 Mutational Status

Impact of IgHV status on outcome by treatment arm



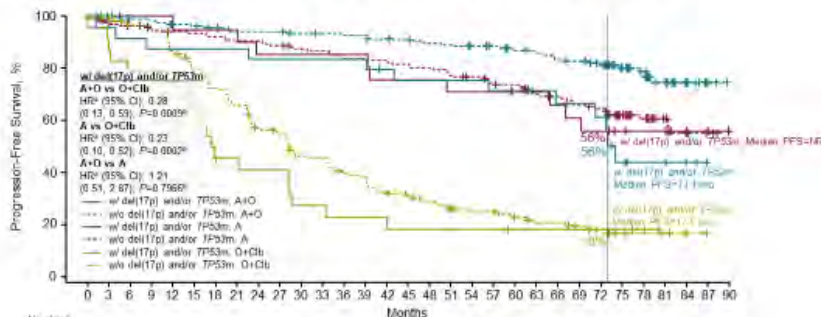
* PFS was not significantly different by IGHV status in patients treated with A+O and A

*Hazard ratio based on unstratified Cox proportional-hazards model

*P-value based on unstratified log-rank test.

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Impact of del(17p) and/or TP53m by treatment arm



*Hazard ratio based on unstratified Cox proportional-hazards model

*P-value based on unstratified log-rank test.

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Events of clinical interest were similar in both A-containing arms and consistent with previous results³⁻⁵

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ECI Category ECI Subcategory	A+O (n=178)		A (n=179)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
Cardiac events	49 (27.5)	22 (12.4)	42 (23.5)	21 (11.7)
Atrial fibrillation	13 (7.3)	3 (1.7)	16 (8.9)	3 (1.7)
Bleeding	95 (53.4)	12 (6.7)	81 (45.3)	8 (4.5)
Major bleeding	16 (9.0)	12 (6.7)	10 (5.6)	8 (4.5)
Hypertension ^a	20 (11.2)	8 (4.5)	20 (11.2)	9 (5.0)
Infections	147 (82.6)	63 (35.4)	144 (80.4)	50 (27.9)
SPMs	36 (20.2)	18 (10.1)	35 (19.6)	9 (5.0)
SPMs excluding non-melanoma skin	24 (13.5)	13 (7.3)	22 (12.3)	7 (3.9)

Data are n (%).

^aHypertension events were based on Standardized MedDRA query (SMQ) Hypertension (narrow).

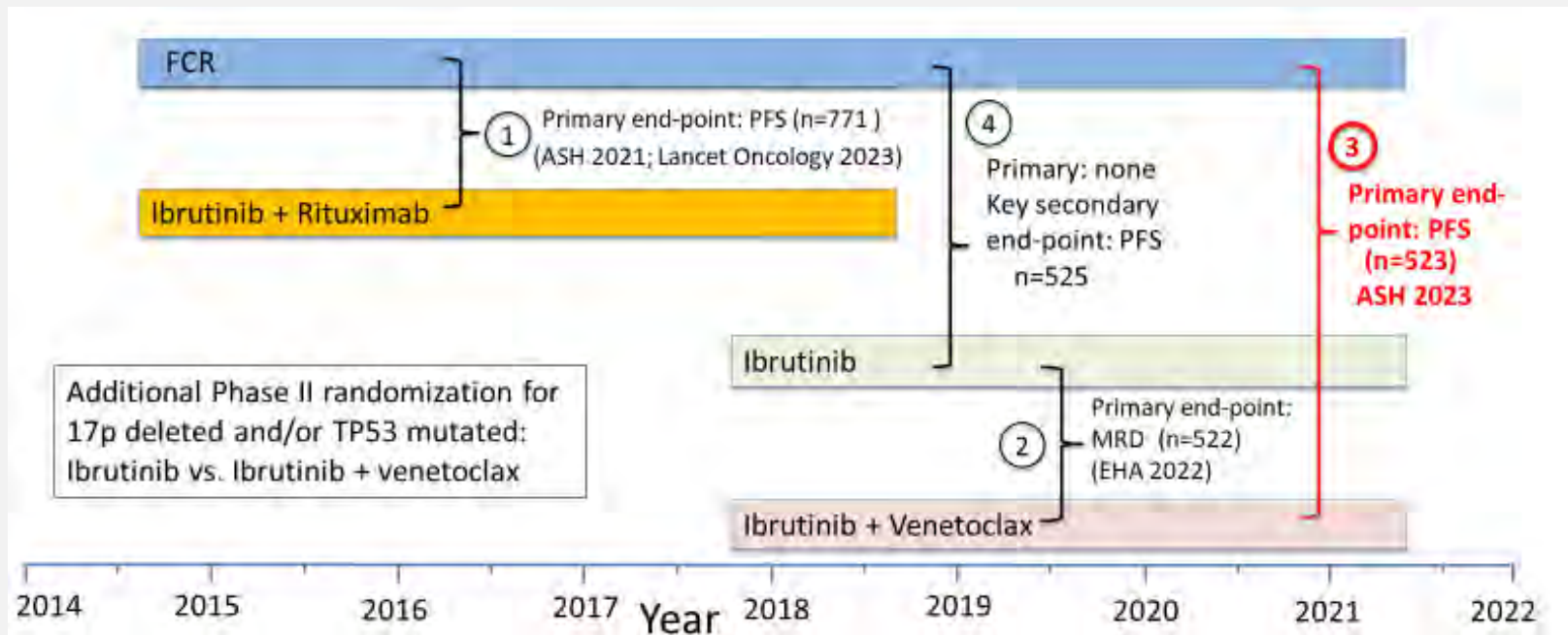
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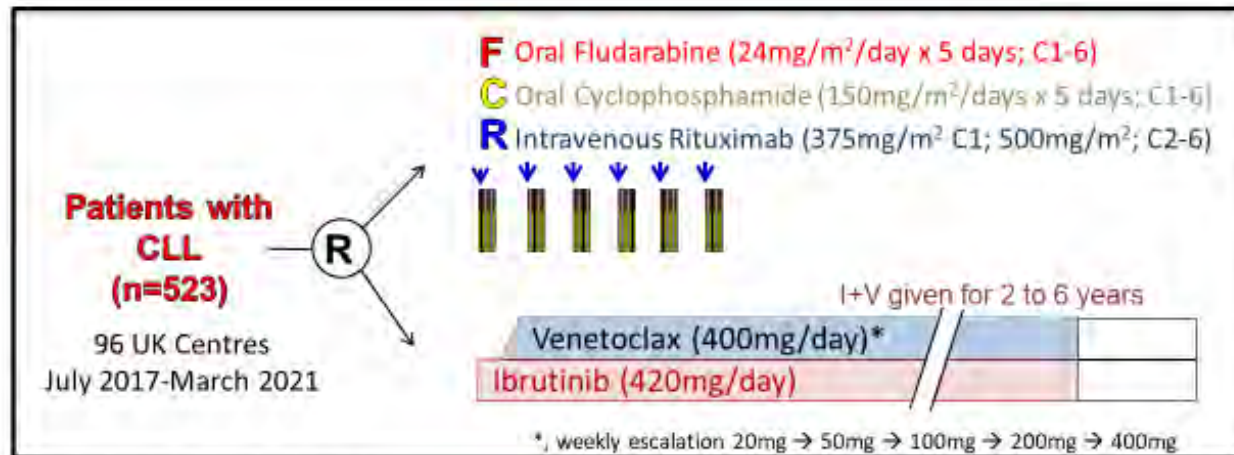


UK Flair Study Design



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UK FLAIR: FCR vs I+V Endpoints



Primary end-point:
 To assess whether I+V is superior to FCR in terms of PFS

Key secondary end-points:
 Overall survival
 Response incl. MRD
 Safety and toxicity

Key Inclusion Criteria:

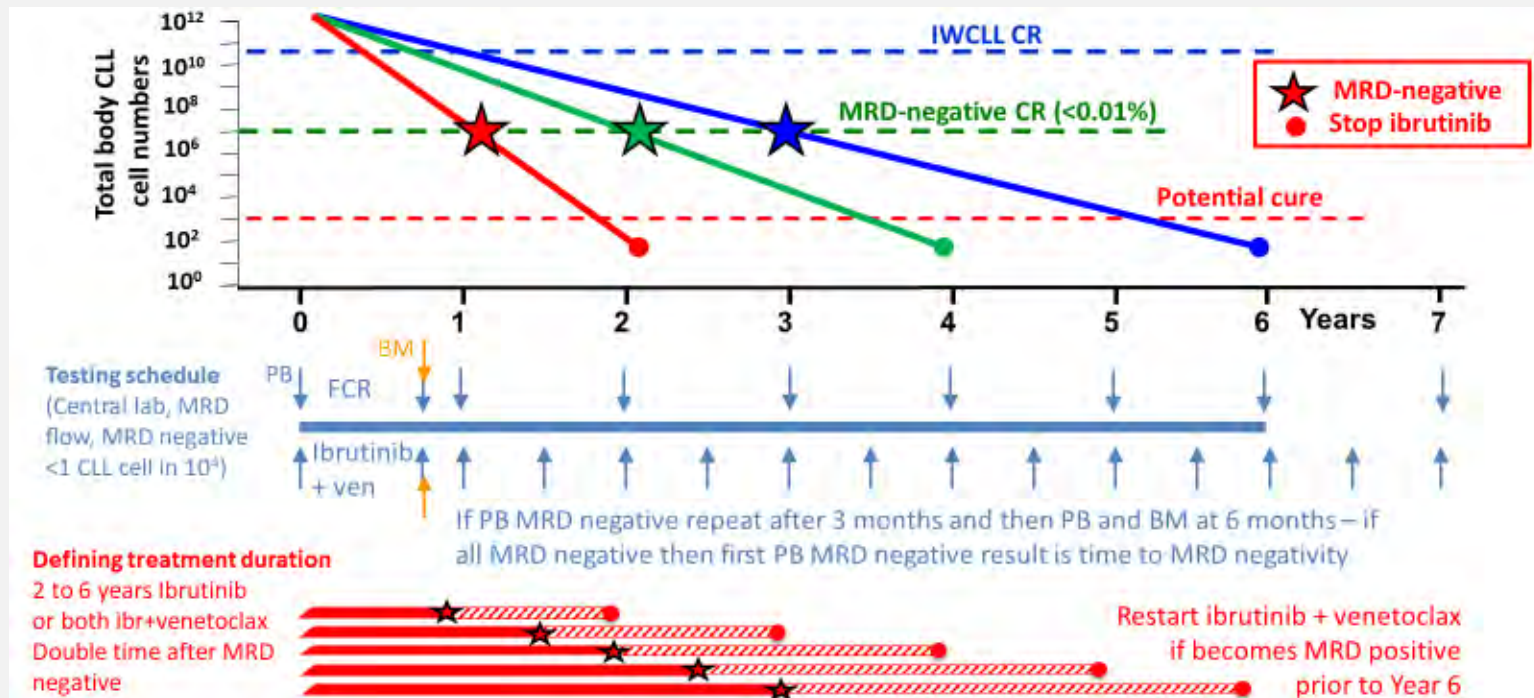
- Previously untreated CLL requiring therapy by IWCLL criteria
- Considered fit for FCR
- ≤75 years old

Key Exclusion Criteria:

- Prior therapy for CLL; History of Richter's transformation;
- >20% TP53 deletion by FISH; Concomitant warfarin (or equivalent)
- Symptomatic cardiac failure or angina

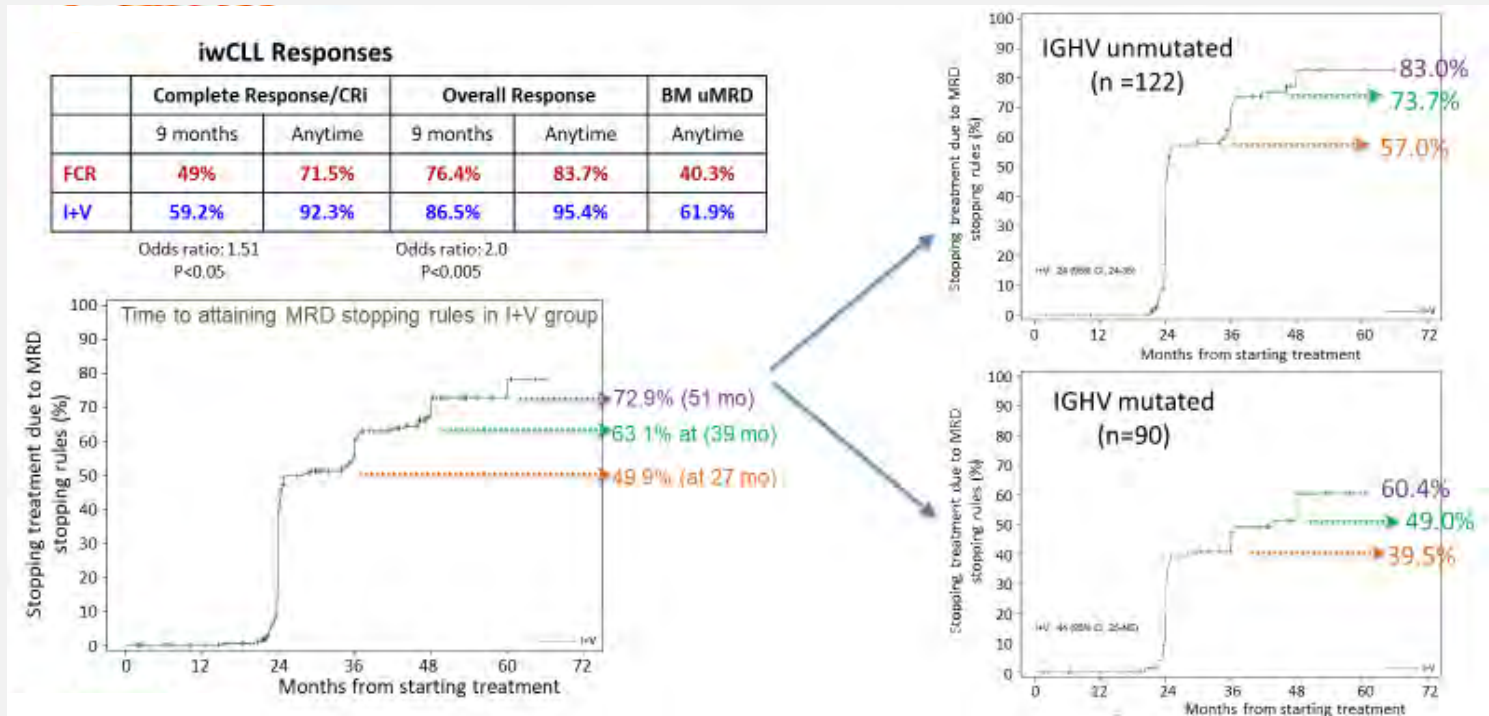
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UK FLAIR Stopping Rules

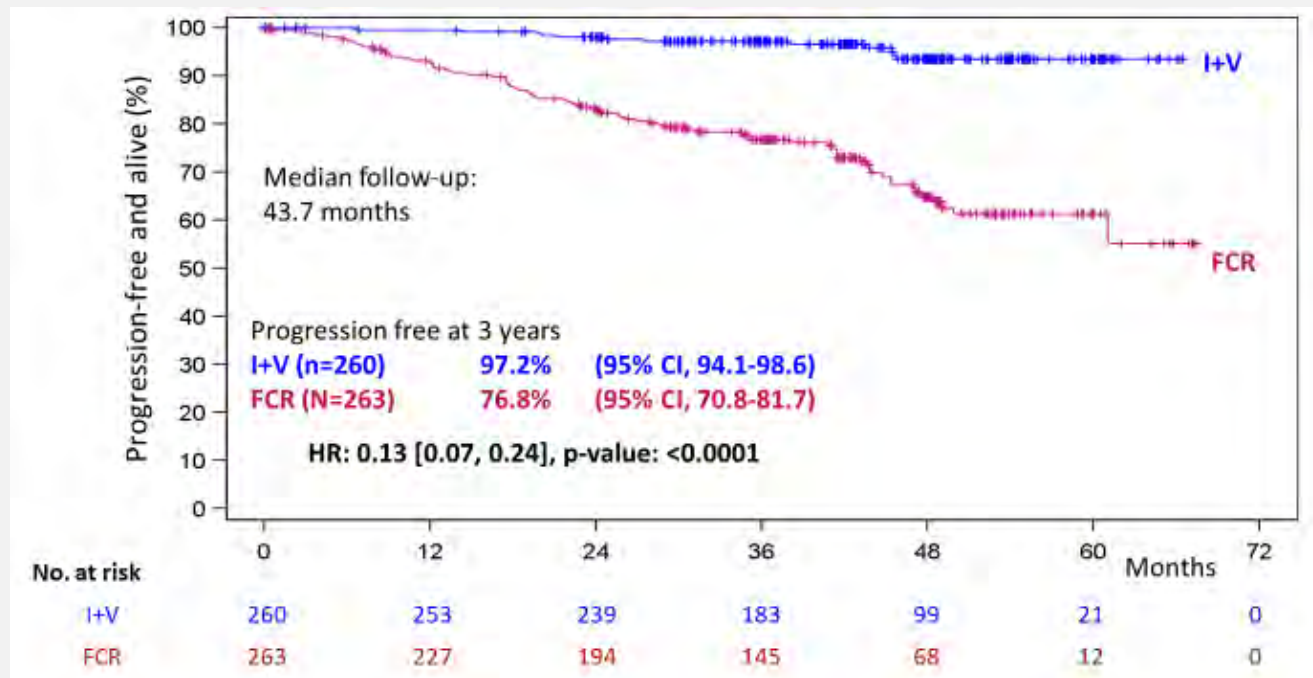


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UK FLAIR: Response Adapted Therapy Increases MRD Negativity Over Time



UK FLAIR: Primary Endpoint PFS



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UK FLAIR: Overall Survival



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UK FLAIR: Cause of Death and SPM

- 31 deaths have occurred in the safety population. 23 from FCR participants and 8 from I+V.
- 7 deaths have been assessed as related to treatment (6 FCR; 1 I+V)
- 13 deaths were related to SAEs or SUSARs (8 FCR; 5 I+V)
- 2 of the 3 cardiac deaths in the I+V arm occurred after treatment was completed (35 days and 411 days later)

	FCR	I+V
Infection	7	1
Sudden/Cardiac	2	3
COVID-19	2	2
Richter's transformation	2	1
Non-haem malignancy	2	1
Allogeneic SCT – infection	1	0
Allogeneic SCT – GvHD	1	0
Disease progression	1	0
Hemorrhage	1	0
Lymphoma	1	0
Treatment related MDS/BMF	3	0
Total:	23	8

Secondary malignancies (SM)		
	FCR	I+V
Incidence rate of cancers per 100 person-years	5.4	2.6
(95% CIs)	(5.11, 5.68)	(2.40, 2.79)
	FCR	I+V
BCC/SCC	16	13
MDS/AML	8	1
Lymphoma	5	3
Prostate/urological	5	1
Lung	3	0
GI	3	1
Breast	1	1
Melanoma	1	1
Myeloma	1	0
Endocrine	0	1
Other	5	2
Total patients*	39	17

*, some patients had more than one SM

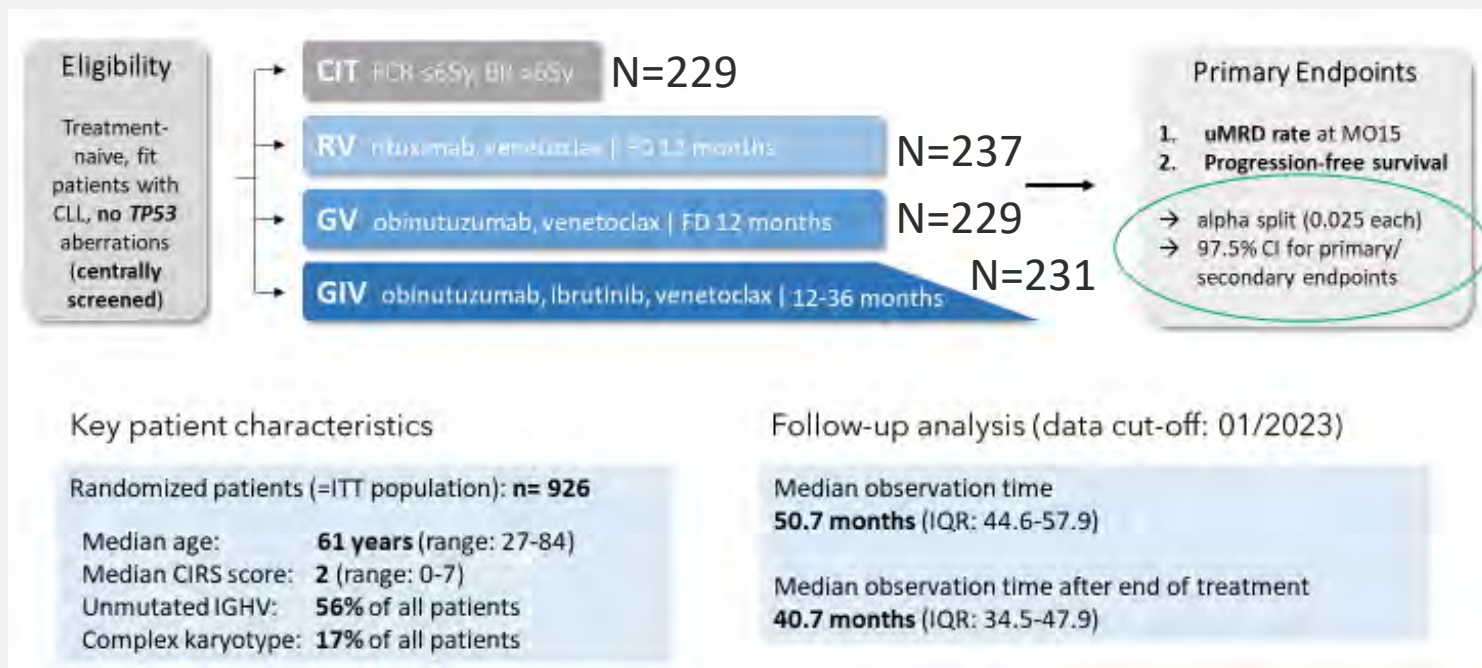
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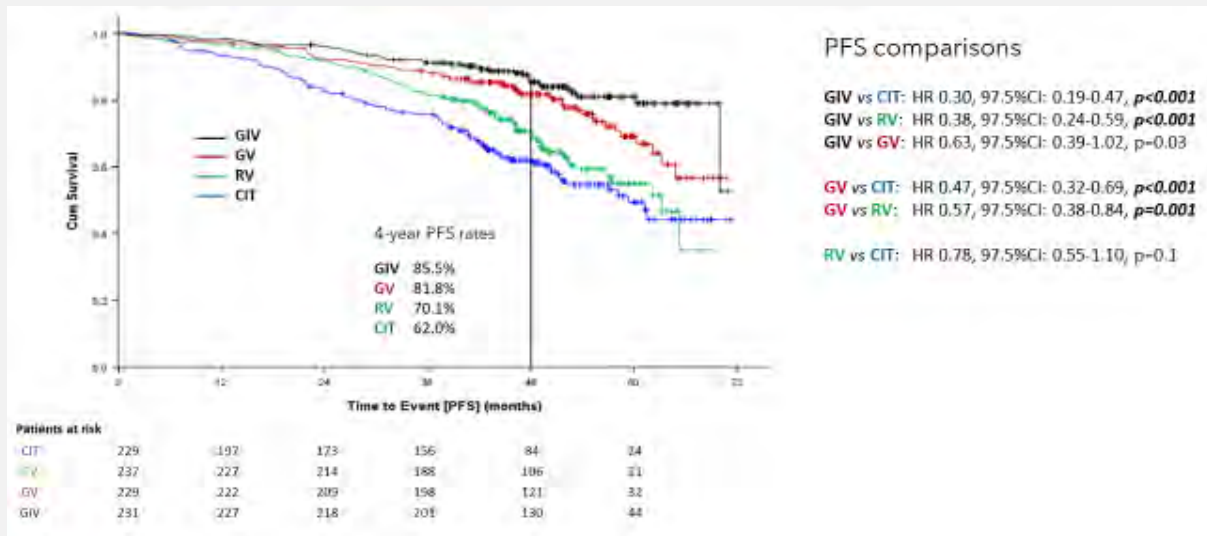
GAIA/CLL13: Study Design Schema



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CLL13: Improved PFS with Obinutuzumab based regimens

mFU: 50.7m



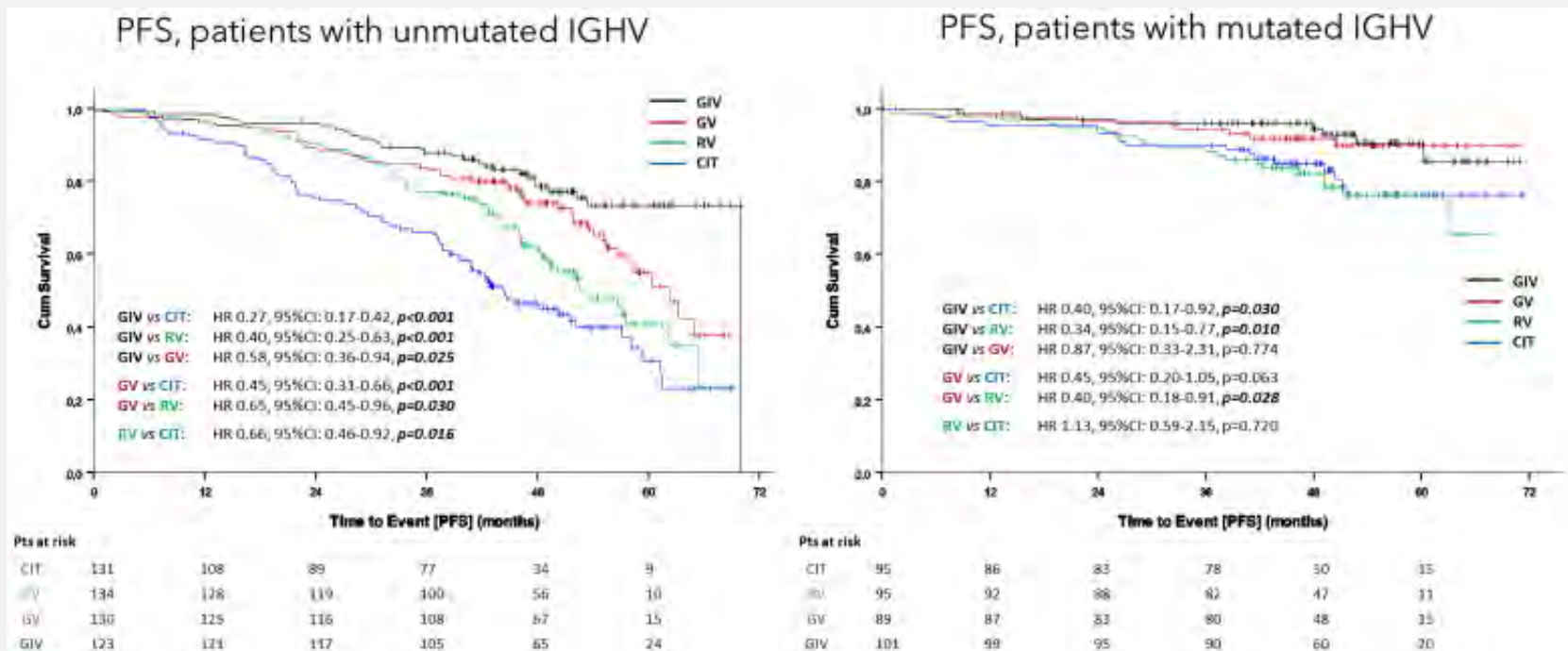
	CIT	RV	GV	GIV
Early treatment discontinuation (patients, %)				
	40 (18.5)	18 (7.6)	14 (6.1)	31 (13.4)
- of these, due to AE (patients, %)				
	32 (14.8)	11 (4.6)	9 (3.9)	27 (11.7)

4-year OS rates

GIV	95.0%
GV	95.1%
RV	96.2%
CIT	93.5%

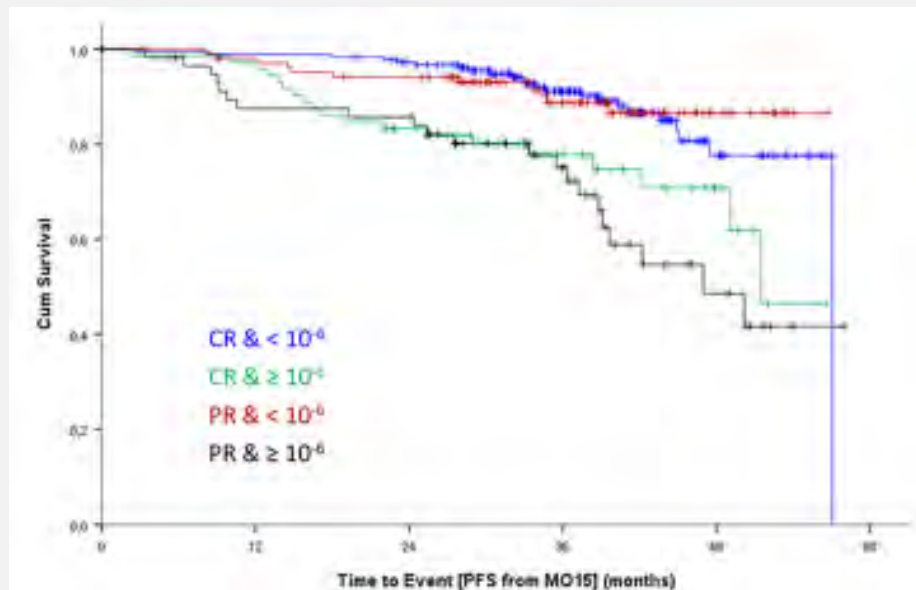
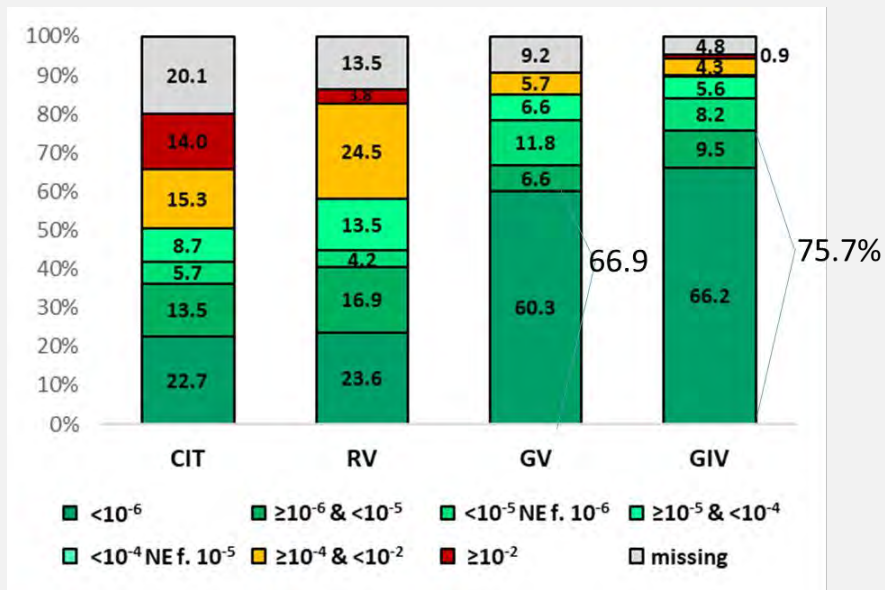
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CLL13: PFS and IGHV Mutational Status



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CLL13: PB MRD Rates and PFS Depending on MRD and Response



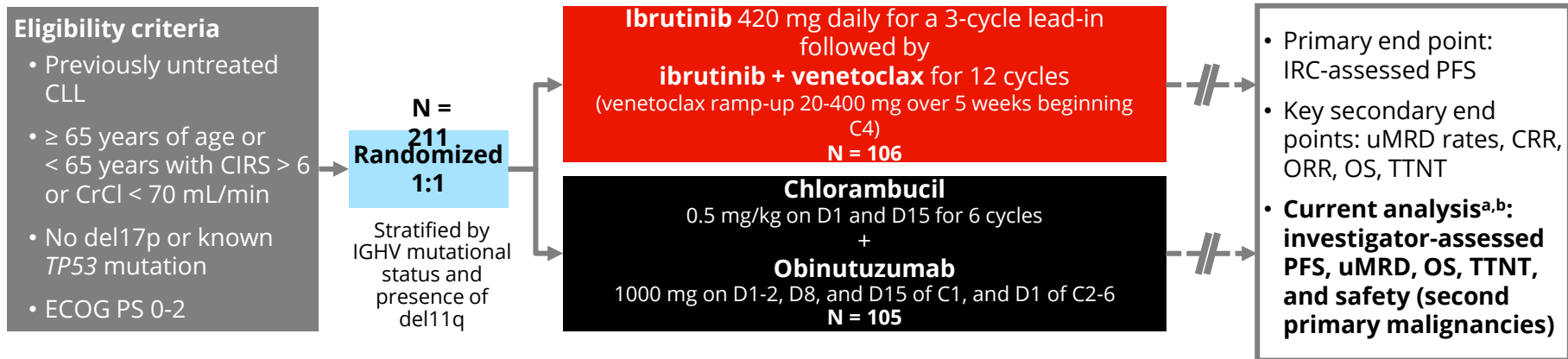
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GLOW/CAPTIVATE



GLOW: Phase 3 GLOW Study (NCT03462719)



- Baseline characteristics (presented previously) were generally balanced between arms and reflective of an elderly and/or comorbid population¹
- IGHV status at baseline:
 - Ibr+Ven arm: mIGHV 30.2%, uIGHV 63.2%
 - Clb+O arm: mIGHV 33.3%, uIGHV 54.3%

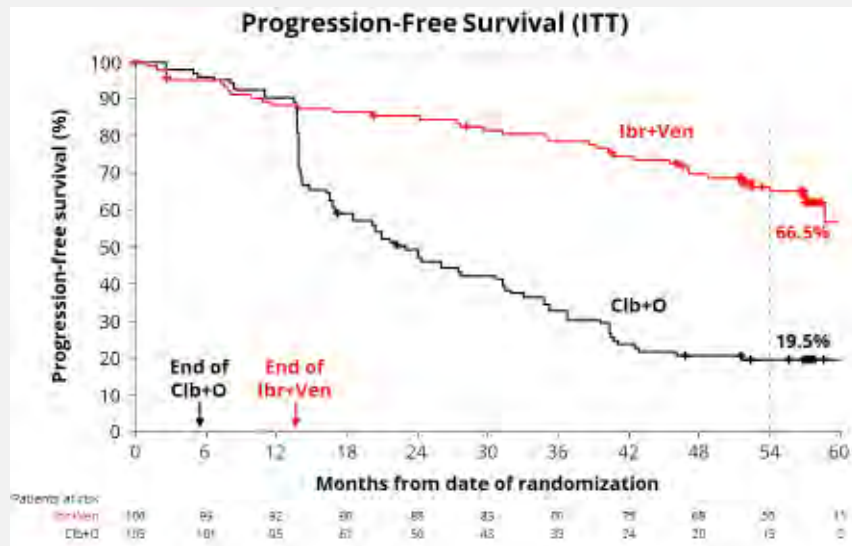
^aAll *p* values are nominal. ^buMRD in PB by NGS via Clonoseq assay.

C, cycle (28 days); CIRS, Cumulative Illness Rating Scale score; CrCl, creatinine clearance; CRR, complete response rate; D, day; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; IRC, independent review committee; mIGHV, mutated IGHV; NGS, next-generation sequencing; ORR, overall response rate; PB, peripheral blood; uIGHV, unmutated IGHV.

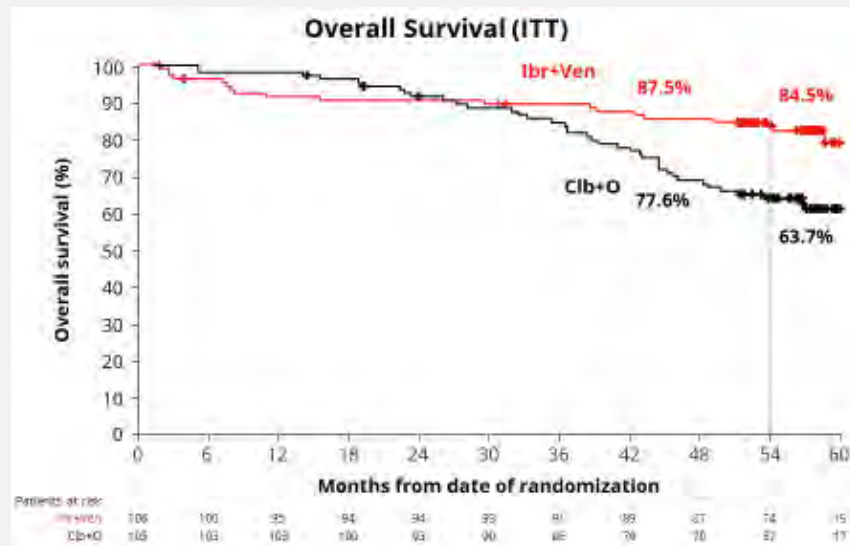
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GLOW: PFS and OS



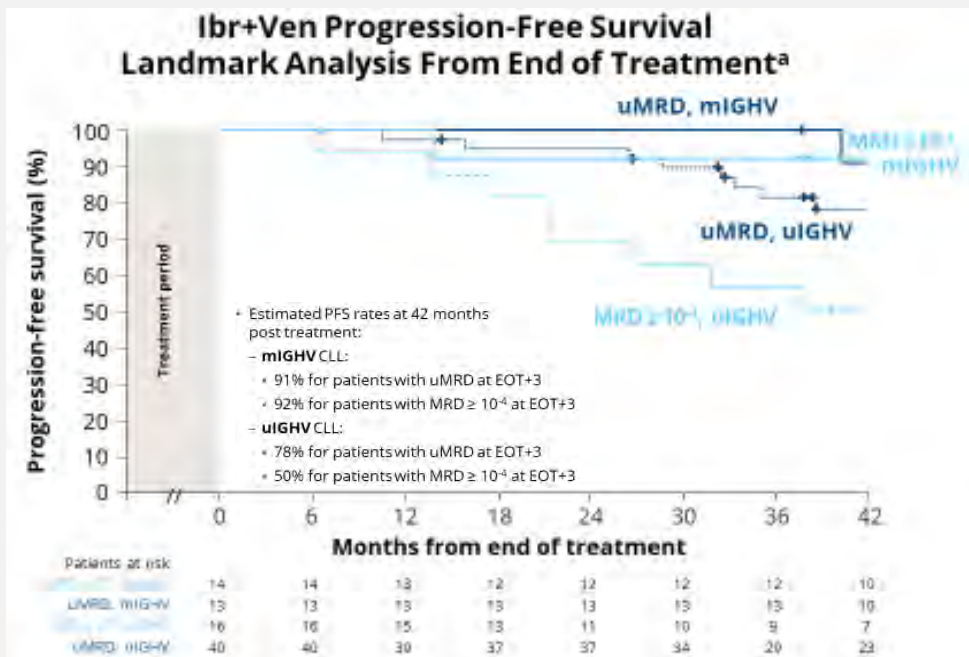
- Ibr+Ven reduced the risk of progression or death by 74% versus Clb+O
 - HR 0.256 (95% CI, 0.172-0.382);
 $p < 0.0001$
- Estimated 54-month PFS rates at 57 months of follow-up:
 - 66.5% for Ibr+Ven
 - 19.5% for Clb+O



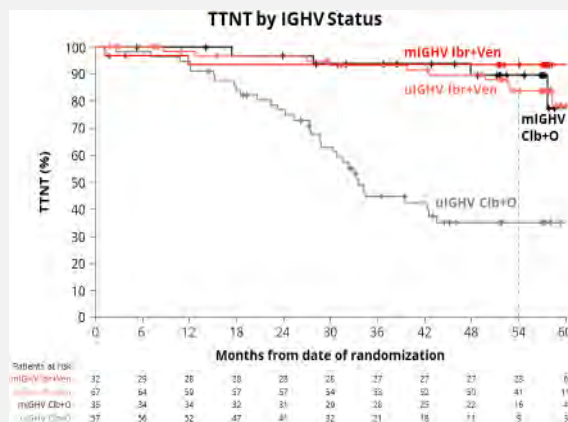
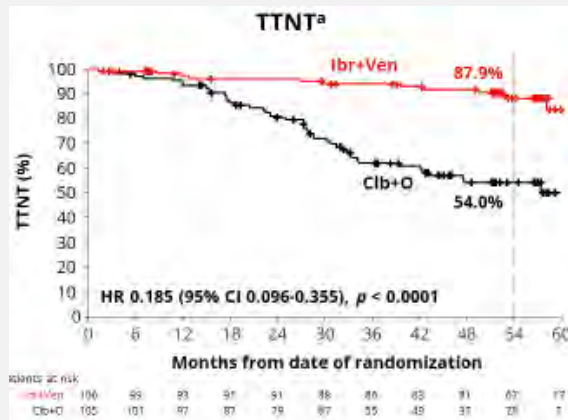
- Ibr+Ven reduced the risk of death by 55% versus Clb+O
 - HR 0.453 (95% CI, 0.261-0.785);
 $p = 0.0038$
- Estimated 54-month OS rates:
 - 84.5% for patients treated with Ibr+Ven
 - 63.7% for patients treated with Clb+O

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GLOW: PFS (IGHV and MRD) & TTNT (IGHV)



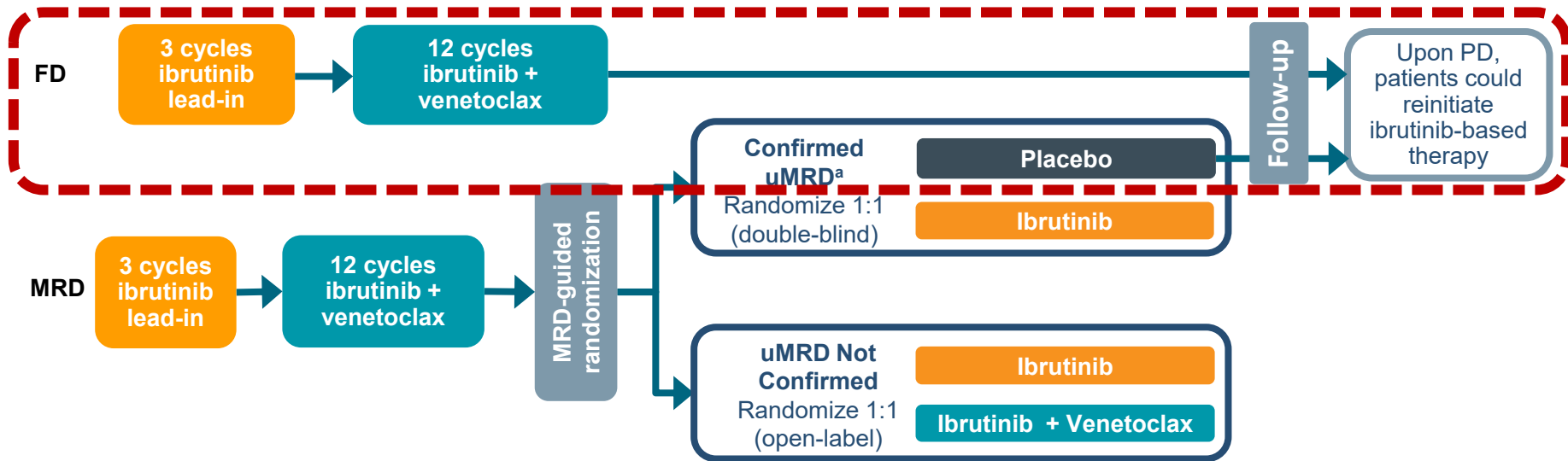
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CAPTIVATE Study Design

- CAPTIVATE (PCYC-1142; NCT02910583) is an international, multicenter phase 2 study evaluating first-line treatment with ibrutinib + venetoclax that comprises 2 cohorts: MRD¹ and FD²
 - Per protocol, patients with PD after completion of fixed-duration ibrutinib + venetoclax in the FD cohort or MRD cohort placebo arm could reinitiate treatment with single-agent ibrutinib
 - Patients with PD >2 years after treatment completion in the FD cohort could be retreated with the fixed-duration regimen (3 cycles of ibrutinib then 12 cycles of ibrutinib + venetoclax)



FD, fixed duration; MRD, minimal residual disease; PD, progressive disease.

^aConfirmed uMRD was defined as uMRD ($<10^{-4}$ by 8-color flow cytometry) serially over at least 3 cycles in both peripheral blood and bone marrow.

¹Wierda, WG. *J Clin Oncol.* 2021;39:3853-3865. ²Tam CS et al. *Blood.* 2022;139:3278-3289.

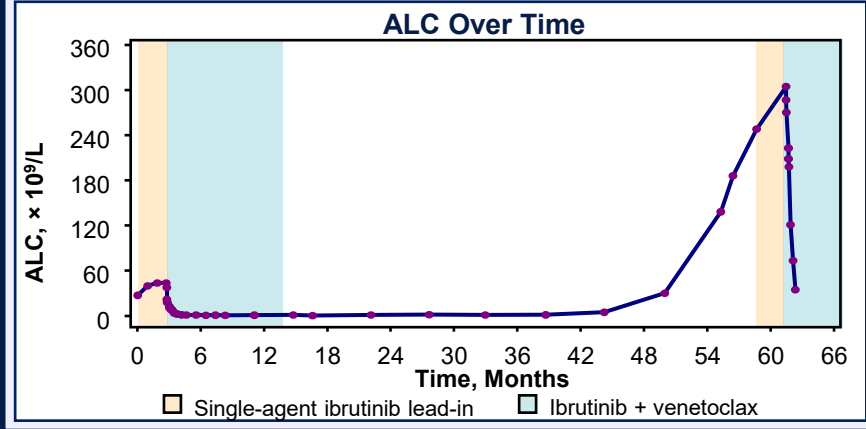


Evaluation of *BTK*, *PLCG2*, and *BCL-2* Mutations in Patients with PD

- Samples collected at PD after fixed-duration treatment from 40 patients were evaluated for mutations in *BTK/PLCG2* or *BCL-2* associated with resistance to ibrutinib or venetoclax^a
 - Median time from start of treatment to PD for these patients was 3.2 years (range, 1.4–4.2)
- No *BTK* or *PLCG2* mutations were identified in the 40 patients evaluated
- In 1 of 40 patients, an acquired subclonal mutation in *BCL-2* (A113G, VAF 8.3%) was identified
 - *BCL-2* A113G identified previously in patients with PD on venetoclax, usually in combination with *BCL-2* G101V (66-100% of cases), the most common venetoclax resistance mutation¹⁻³
 - Emergence of subclonal *BCL-2* A113G in the absence of co-occurring *BCL-2* mutations has unclear clinical significance

Patient With *BCL-2* (A113G) at PD

- With initial fixed-duration ibrutinib + venetoclax:
 - uMRD (<0.01%) achieved in both PB and BM by C13 and maintained in PB until C31
 - CR achieved at C10 and maintained through C49
- PD occurred 3 years after EOT
- After PD, reinitiated fixed-duration ibrutinib + venetoclax
 - To date, the patient has PR-L after 4 months of retreatment (3 months of ibrutinib and 1 month of ibrutinib + venetoclax)



BM, bone marrow; C, cycle; PB, peripheral blood; PLCG2, phospholipase C gamma 2; PR-L, partial response with lymphocytosis; VAF, variant allele frequency.

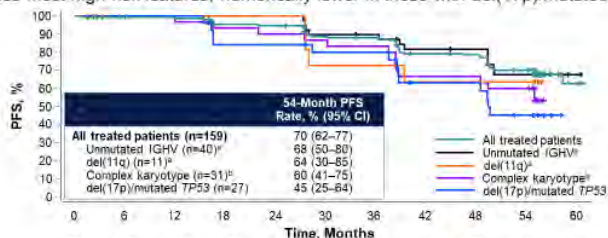
^aResistance-associated variants in *BTK*, *PLCG2*, or *BCL-2* were assessed by next-generation sequencing using a custom panel with a limit of detection of 1% VAF.

¹Popovic R et al, *Am J Hematol.* 2022;97(2):e47-e51. ²Kotmayer L et al, *Int J Mol Sci.* 2023;24:5802. ³Lucas F et al, *Blood.* 2020;135:2192-2195.

CAPTIVATE: FD/Placebo PFS and Retreatment Responses

- With median time on study of 56 months (range, 1–61), 54-month PFS and OS rates were 70% (95% CI, 62–77) and 97% (95% CI, 93–99), respectively

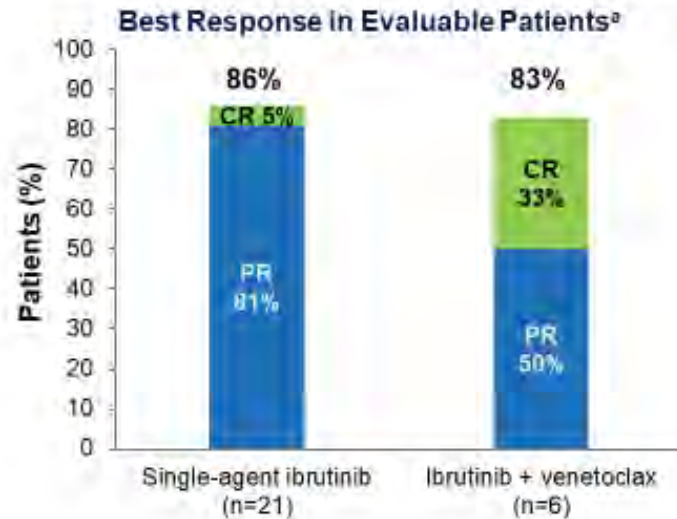
– PFS promising across most high-risk features; numerically lower in those with del(17p)/mutated TP53



Patients at risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
All treated patients	159	153	152	144	143	132	130	115	113	99	11
Unmutated IGHV ^b	40	39	39	39	39	35	34	30	29	24	1
del(11q) ^a	11	11	11	11	11	8	8	7	7	7	0
Complex karyotype ^a	31	31	31	28	27	26	25	20	20	18	0
del(17p)/mutated TP53	27	26	26	21	21	19	18	14	14	9	0

- Best response rates remain: CR/CRi, 58%; ORR, 96%¹
- In patients who achieved CR/CRi (n=92), median duration of CR/CRi was not reached

- Median time on retreatment:
 - 17 months (range, 0–45) for single-agent ibrutinib (n=22)
 - 14 months (range, 5–15) for ibrutinib + venetoclax (n=6)



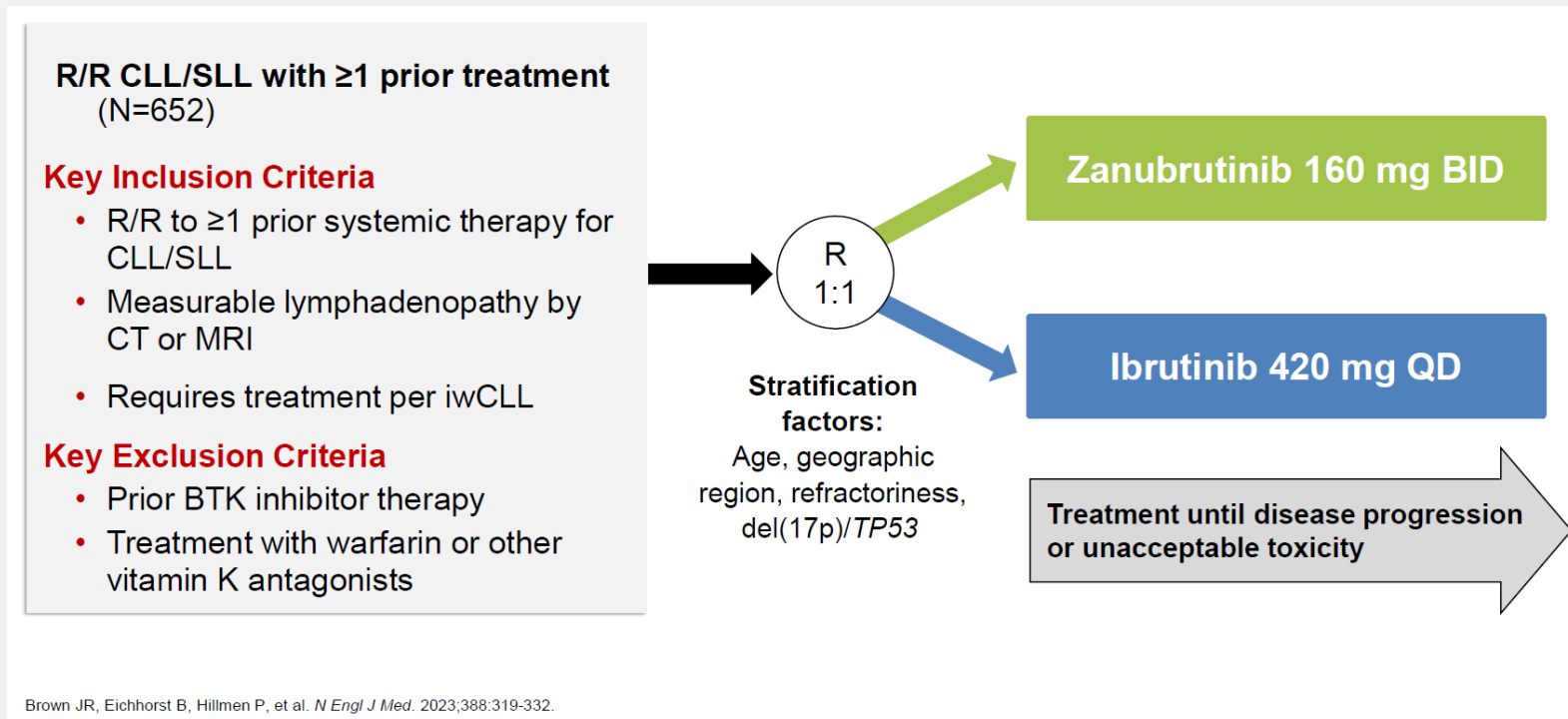
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Relapsed CLL

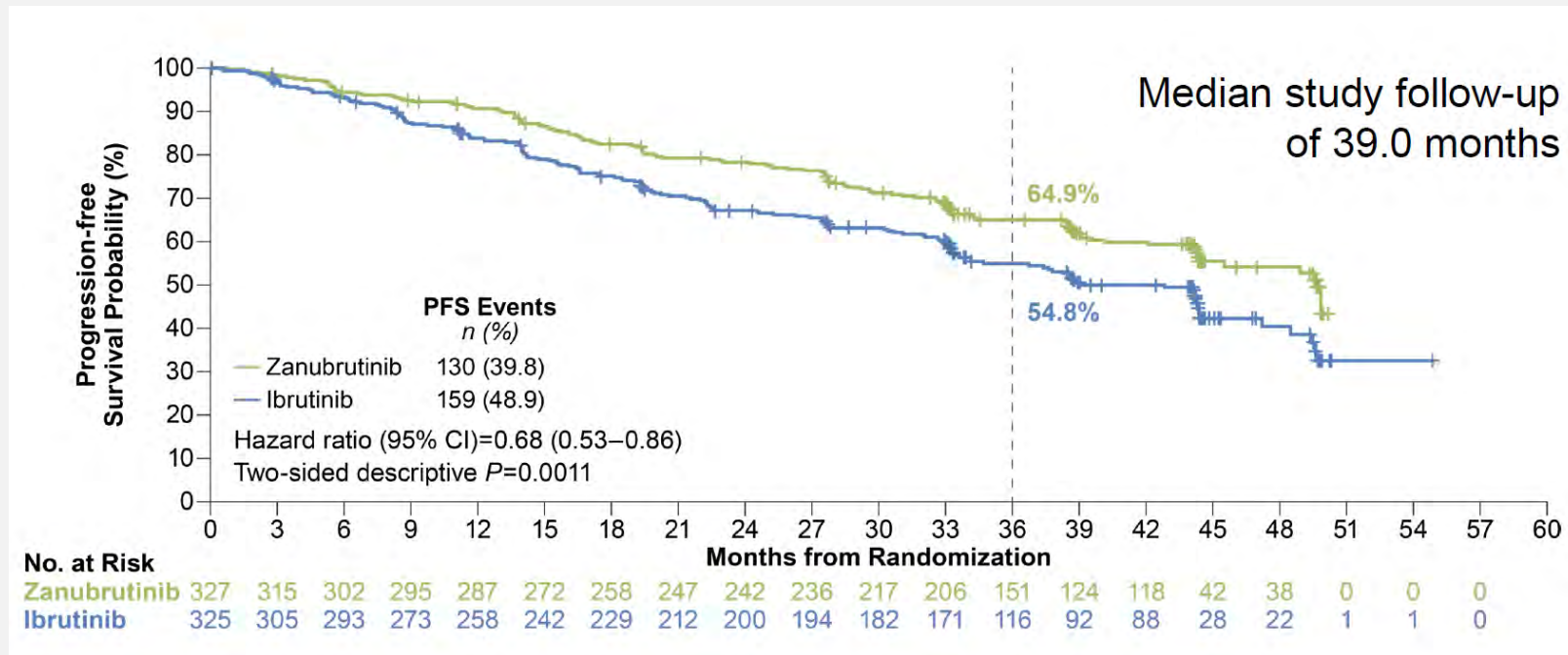
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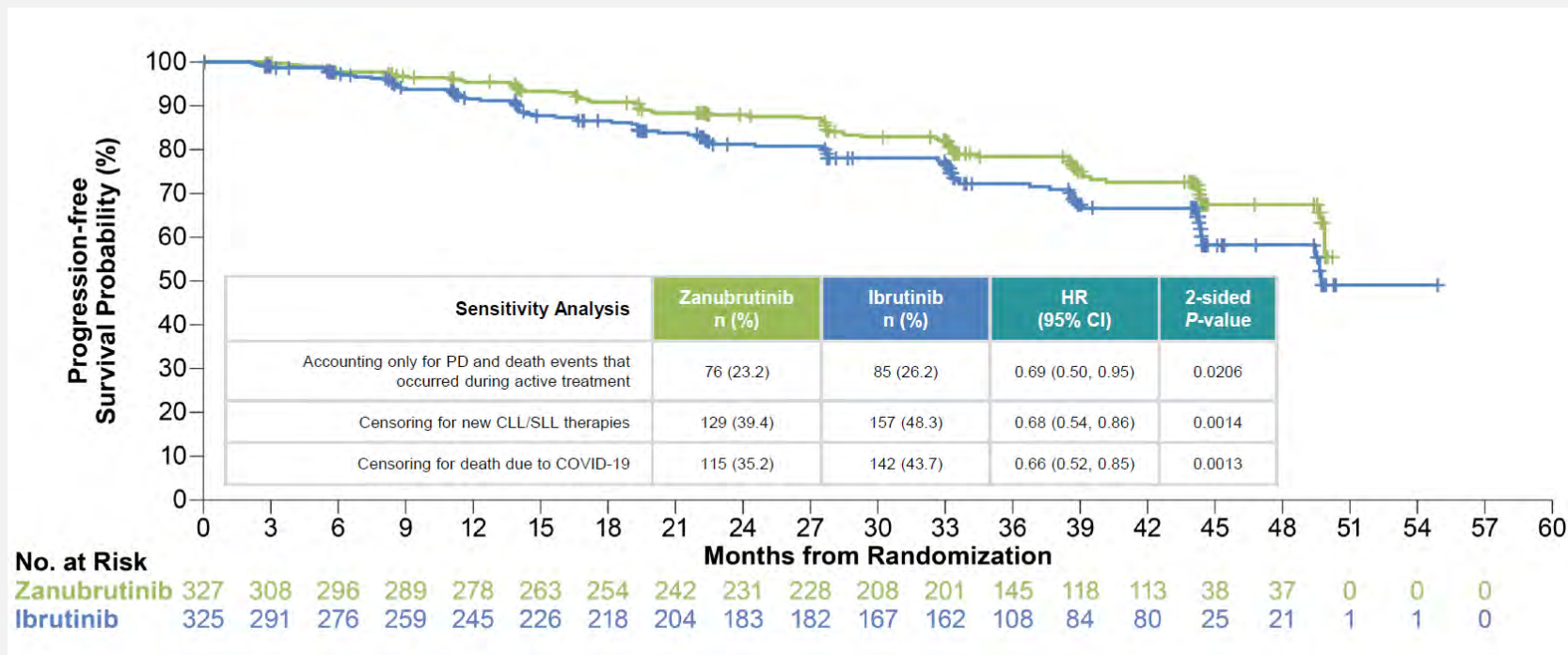
ALPINE Study Design



ALPINE: PFS 39months



ALPINE: Sensitivity Analysis



ALPINE: AESI

	Zanubrutinib (n=324)		Ibrutinib (n=324)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
Infection	264 (81.5)	115 (35.5)	260 (80.2)	111 (34.3)
<i>Opportunistic Infections</i>	8 (2.5)	6 (1.9)	13 (4.0)	5 (1.5)
COVID-19 Related^b	145 (44.8)	56 (17.3)	105 (32.4)	38 (11.7)
Bleeding	142 (43.8)	12 (3.7)	144 (44.4)	13 (4.0)
<i>Major Hemorrhage</i>	13 (4.0)	12 (3.7)	16 (4.9)	13 (4.0)
Hypertension	86 (26.5)	53 (16.4)	80 (24.7)	47 (14.5)
Atrial fibrillation/flutter	22 (6.8)	10 (3.1)	53 (16.4)	16 (4.9)
Anemia	53 (16.4)	7 (2.2)	59 (18.2)	11 (3.4)
Neutropenia	100 (30.9)	72 (22.2)	94 (29.0)	72 (22.2)
Thrombocytopenia	43 (13.3)	12 (3.7)	53 (16.4)	19 (5.9)
Second primary malignancies	46 (14.2)	26 (8.0)	52 (16.0)	19 (5.9)

	Zanubrutinib (n=324)	Ibrutinib (n=324)
Cardiac adverse events	80 (24.7)	112 (34.6)
Serious cardiac adverse events	11 (3.4)	31 (9.6)
Cardiac adverse events leading to treatment discontinuation	3 (0.9)	15 (4.6)
Ventricular extrasystoles	1 (0.3)	0
Atrial fibrillation/flutter	1 (0.3)	6 (1.9)
Cardiac failure	1 (0.3)	2 (0.6)
Cardiac arrest	0	2 (0.6) ^b
Cardiac failure acute	0	1 (0.3) ^b
Congestive cardiomyopathy	0	1 (0.3) ^b
Myocardial infarction	0	1 (0.3) ^b
Palpitations	0	1 (0.3)
Ventricular fibrillation	0	1 (0.3)

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ALPINE: Mutational Resistance Profiles Suggest Few Develop Kinase Dead Mutations

57 Pt PD
on Drug
7 had BTK
mutations
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3 Ibr

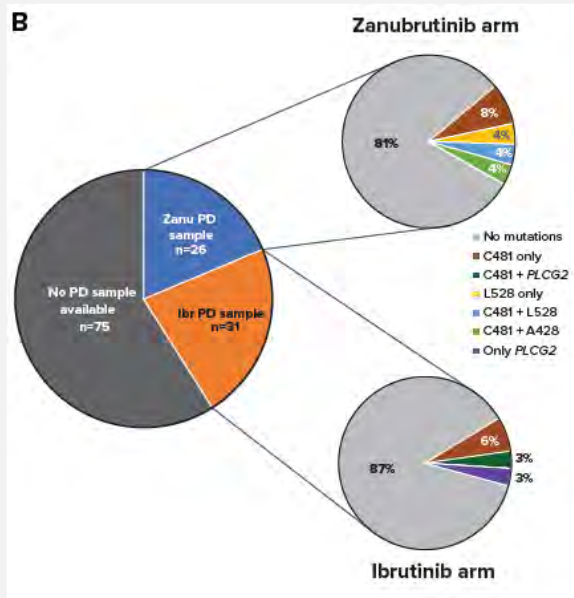
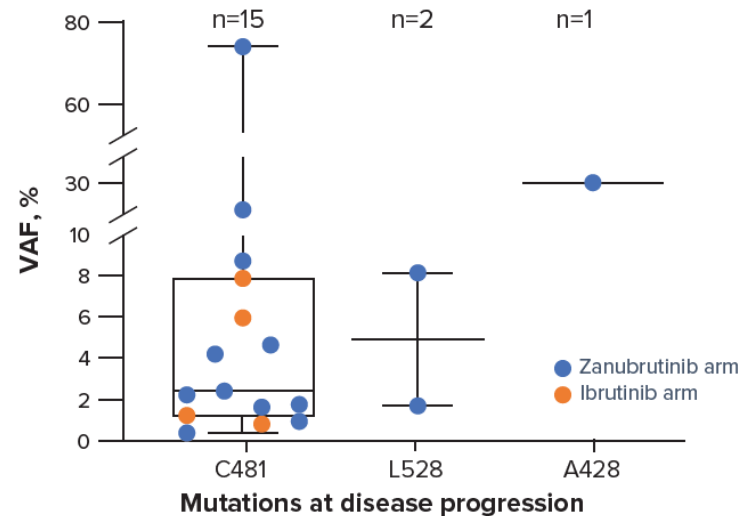


Figure 2. VAF of Acquired *BTK* Mutations



VAF, variant allele frequency.

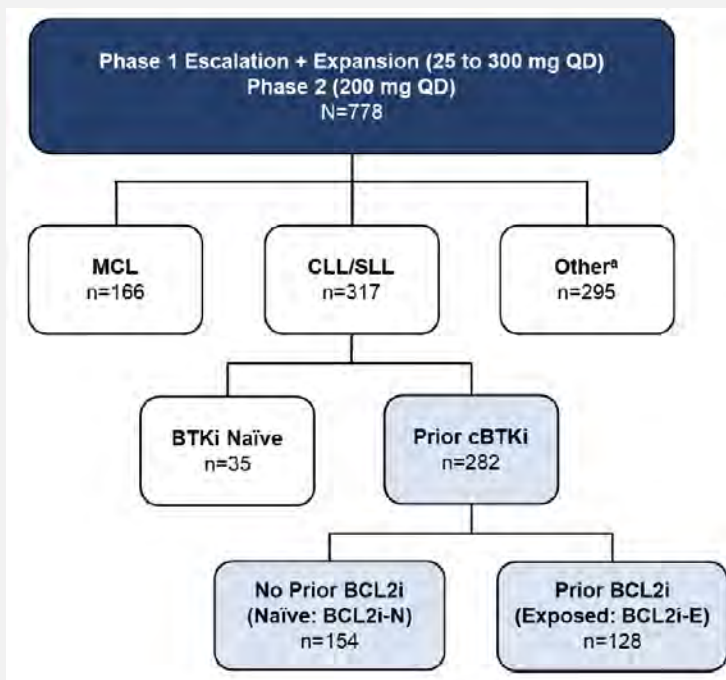
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Pirtobrutinib



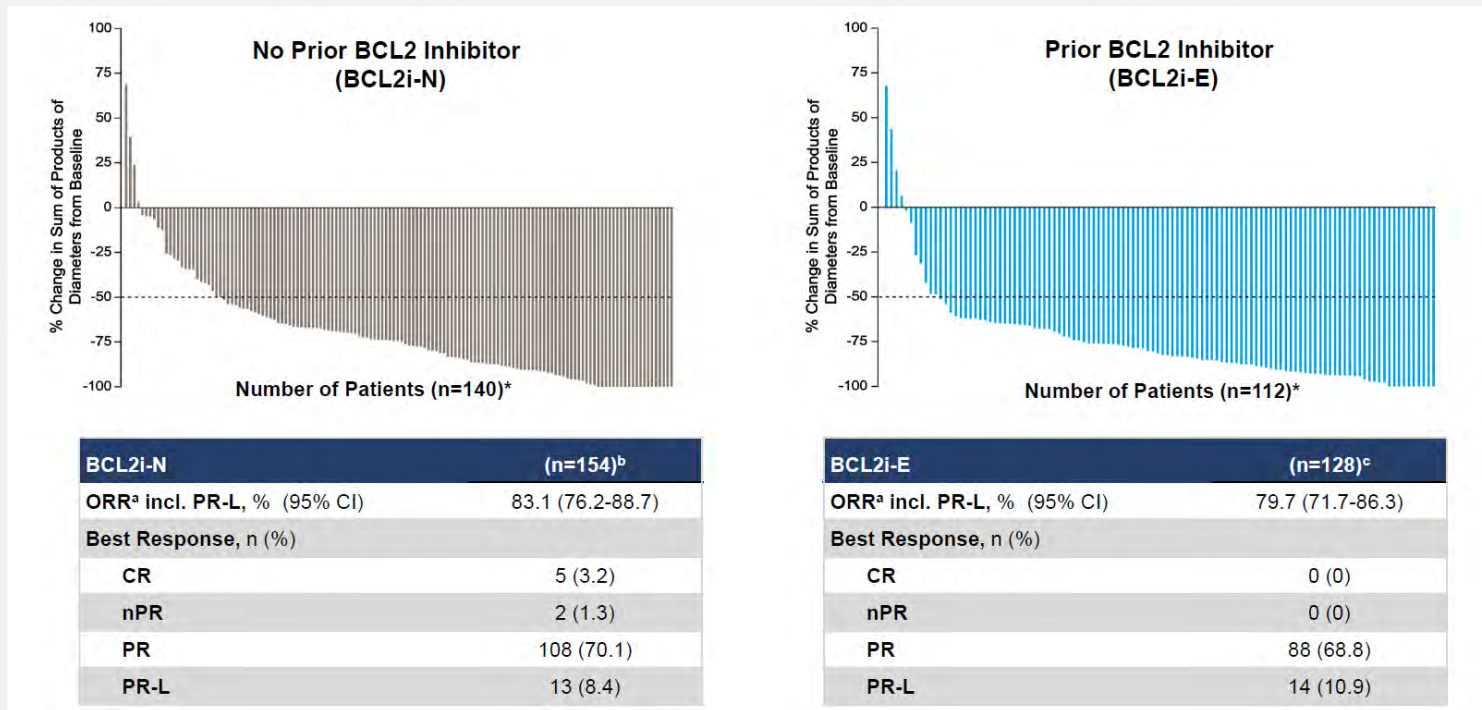
BRUIN: Subject Grouping and Risk Features



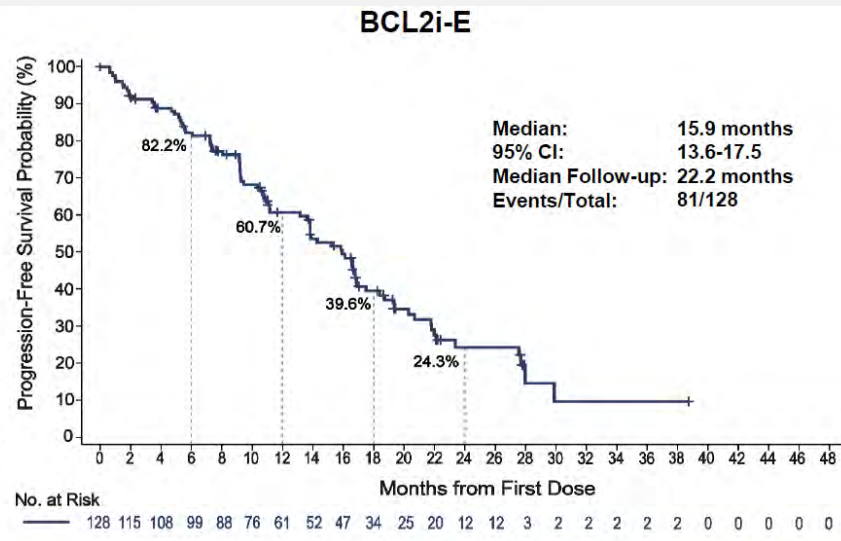
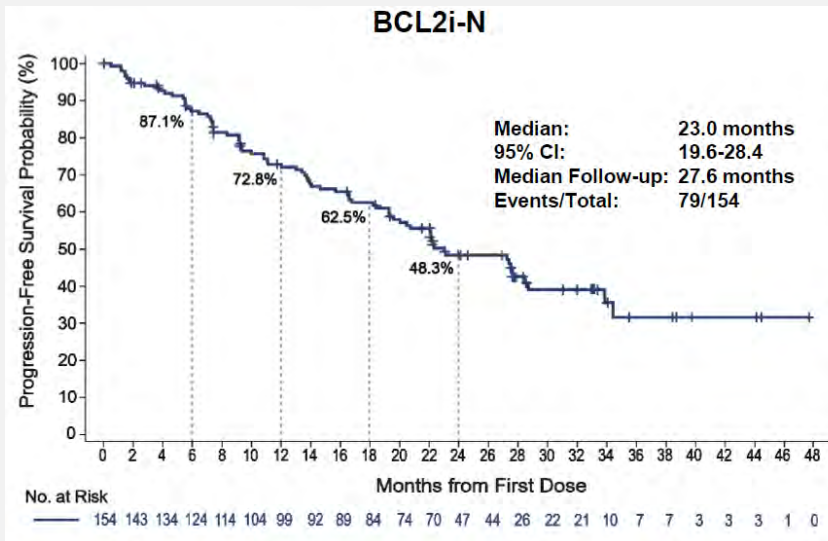
Characteristics	Prior cBTKi (n=282)	BCL2i-N (n=154)	BCL2i-E (n=128)
Median time from diagnosis to first dose, years (IQR)	11 (8-15)	11 (7-15)	12 (8-15)
Reason for any prior BTKi discontinuation ^a , n (%)			
Progressive disease	217 (77)	110 (71)	107 (84)
Toxicity/Other	64 (23)	43 (28)	21 (16)

Baseline Molecular Characteristics ^b	Prior cBTKi (n=282)	BCL2i-N (n=154)	BCL2i-E (n=128)
Mutation status, n/n available (%)			
BCL2 mutated	19/246 (8)	0/133 (0)	19/113 (17)
BTK C481-mutant	96/245 (39)	57/138 (41)	39/107 (36)
PLCG2-mutant	18/245 (7)	10/138 (7)	8/107 (8)
High Risk Molecular Features, n/n available (%)			
17p deletion and/or TP53 mutation	104/217 (48)	57/123 (46)	47/94 (50)
IGHV unmutated	193/225 (86)	100/125 (80)	93/100 (93)
Complex Karyotype	33/73 (45)	17/41 (42)	16/32 (50)
11q deletion	47/202 (23)	28/115 (24)	19/87 (22)

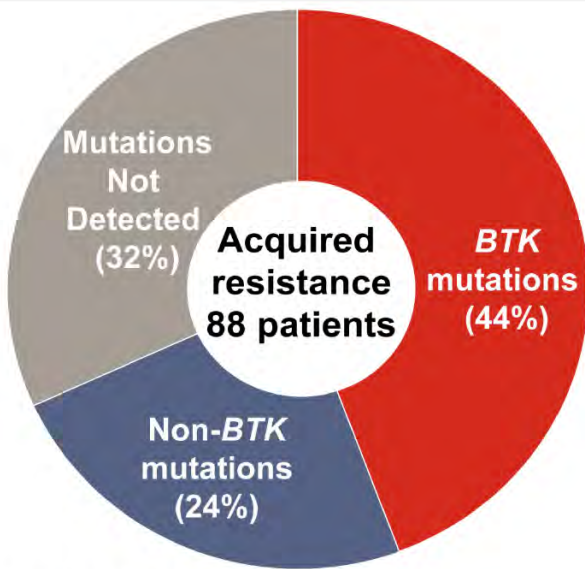
BRUIN: Response and Drug Class Exposure



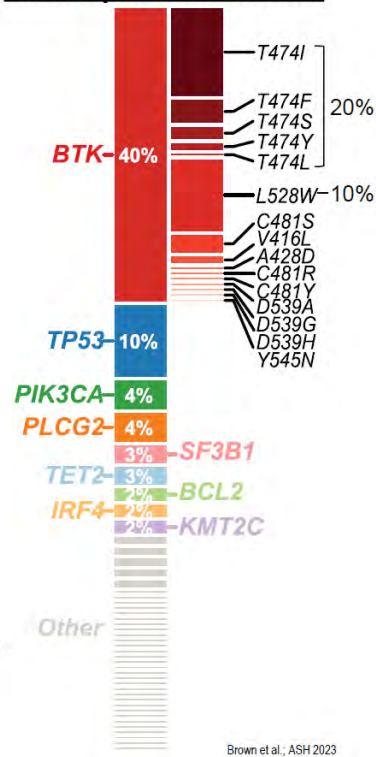
BRUIN: PFS and Drug Class Exposure



BRUIN: Acquired Mutational Status on Pirtobrutinib



138 acquired mutations



68% (60/88) acquired mutations at PD

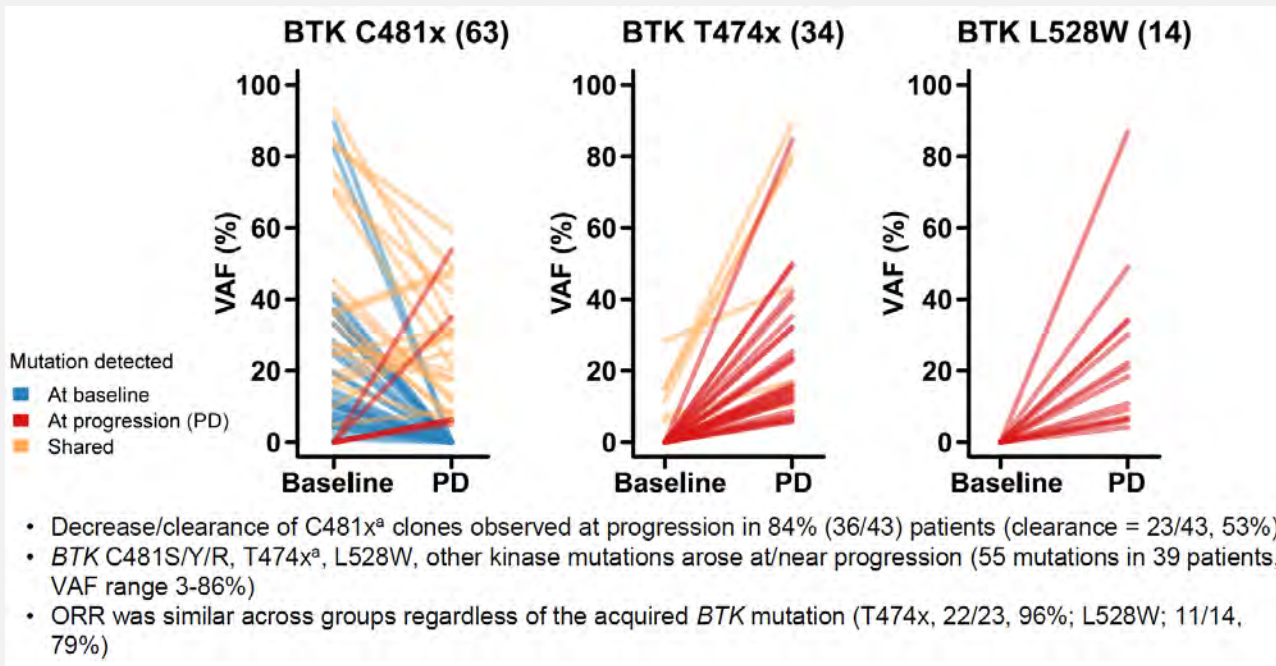
- 44% (39/88) had at least one acquired *BTK* mutation at PD
 - 64% (25/39) who acquired a *BTK* mutation had a *BTK* mutation at baseline

56% (49/88) did not acquire a *BTK* mutation

- The most frequently acquired non-*BTK* mutation was *TP53*

32% (28/88) had no acquired mutations detected at PD

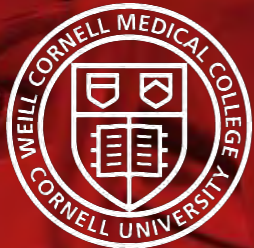
BRUIN: BTK Clearance/Acquisition Rates



26% of Patients Acquired T474x
16% of Patients Acquired L528W
37% were present at baseline

Conclusions From ASH 2023

- **Better Understanding Regarding Potential Role of Finite Over Fixed Duration**
 - **Relevance/Applicability???**
- **New Expectations for TTNT after Doublet FD combinations**
- **Evidence of Response and Lack of Acquired Resistance Mutations After FD Combination Approaches in Frontline Settings with Oral Combinations**
- **Longer Follow-up Demonstrates Ongoing Activity of Zanu over Ibr with Low Numbers of Kinase Dead Mutations as Mechanism of Resistance**
- **Pirtobrutinib Data Shed light on Potential Sequencing cBTKi->ncBTKi**
- **Clear evidence for non C481S mutations as MoR for Pirto,**
 - **Cycling cBTKi vs Potential role of Degradar in Kinase Dead???**



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