

# **Acute Myeloid and Lymphoid Leukemias**

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# Objectives

- Present molecular and genetic prognostic markers
- Review current chemotherapy
- Discuss progress in targeted/immunotherapy

# AML 2018 Prognostic Factors\*

- Cytogenetics and Molecular Studies
  - Favorable
    - CBF inv(16); t(16;16), t(8,21)
    - *NPM1* in absence of *FLT3-ITD* or *FLT3-ITD<sup>low</sup>* or *biallelic CEBPA*
  - Intermediate
    - CN, +8 alone, t(9;11)
    - *CBF* with *c-KIT*, *NPM1* and *FLT3-ITD<sup>high</sup>*
  - Unfavorable
    - Complex, MK, -5 (q), -7(q), 11q23, inv(3), t(3;3), t(6;9), t(9;22)
    - CN with *FLT3-ITD*, *TP53* mutation, *RUNX1*, *ASXL1*

\*NCCN Guidelines 1.2018

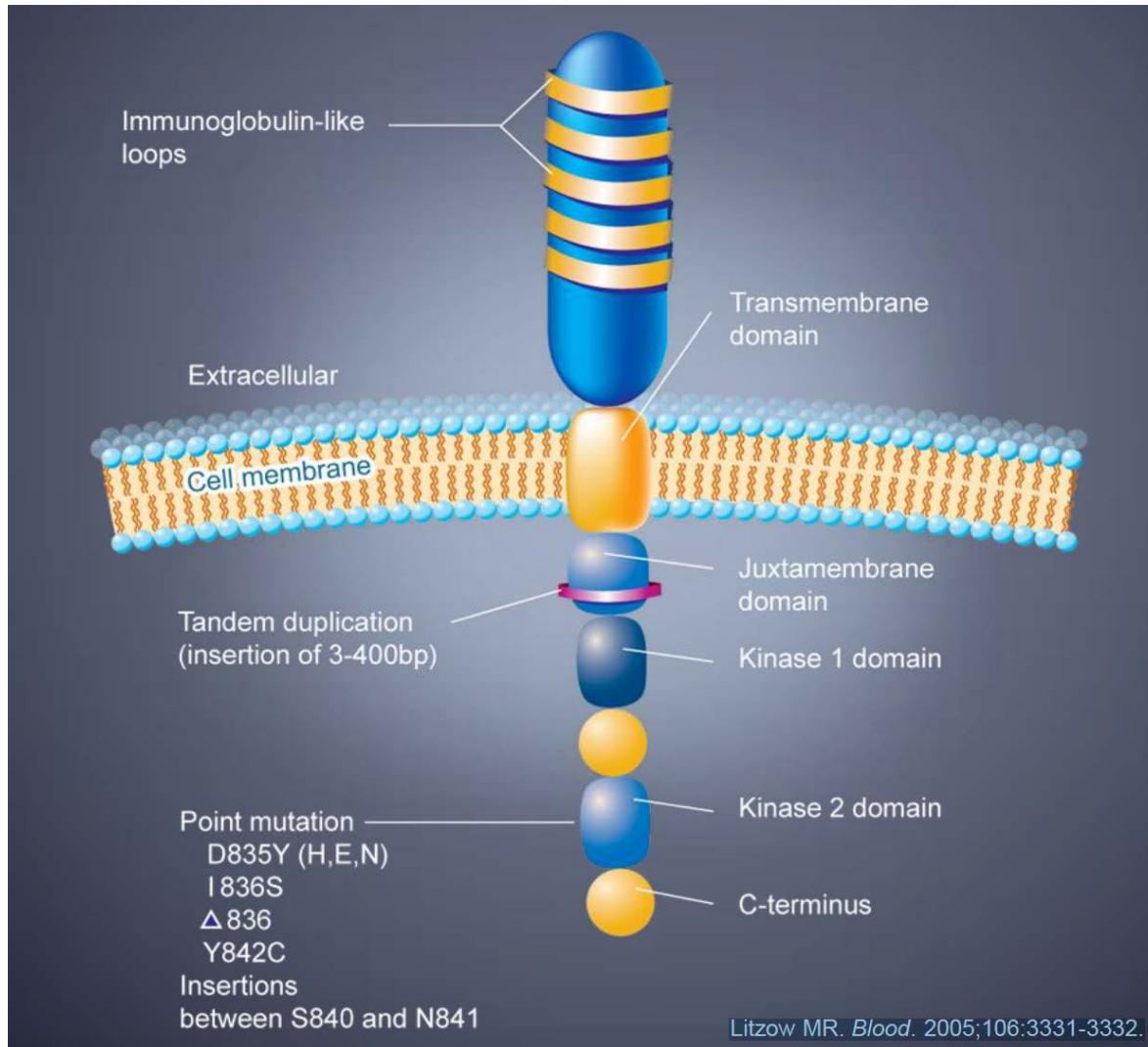
# Points in Changes in NCCN Guidelines

- *FLT3* high and low alleic burdens
- Midostaurin added for *FLT3-mutated* AML based on RATIFY trial
- First assessment of MR should not be made until count recovery
- MRD is under investigation and may have prognostic significance

# Induction Approach

- High-dose anthracyclines are safe
  - Multiple regimens
  - Most 7+3 based
  - Consider clinical trial always
- Idarubicin and daunorubicin are equivalent at higher doses
- Add targeted therapy when possible
- Rec: BM at day 14-21 from SOT

# Activating *FLT3* Mutations in AML



Prevalence:  
**ITD:** 25-30%  
High relapse, poor prognosis  
**TKD:** 5-10%

Effect:  
Constitutive tyrosine phosphorylation

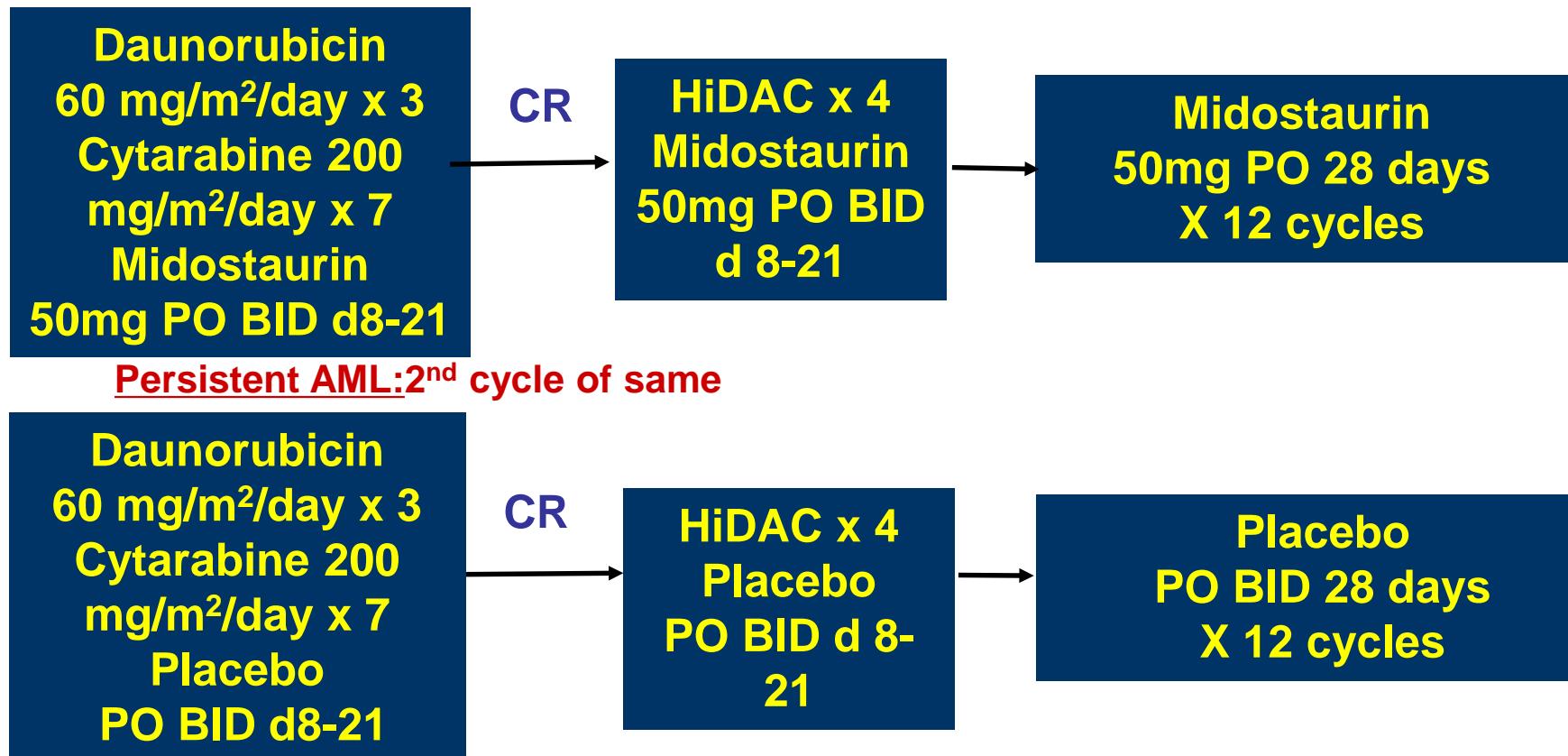
# Midostaurin + chemotherapy

- Phase 3 trial
- 3277 screened, 18-59 years
- 717 FLT3-mutated randomized
  - 360 midostaurin, 357 standard
  - 7+3 +/- midostaurin induction
  - HiDAC +/- midostaurin consolidation
- CR rates equivalent 59% v 54%

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# CALGB 10603 Schema RATIFY Trial

## Induction      Consolidation      Maintenance

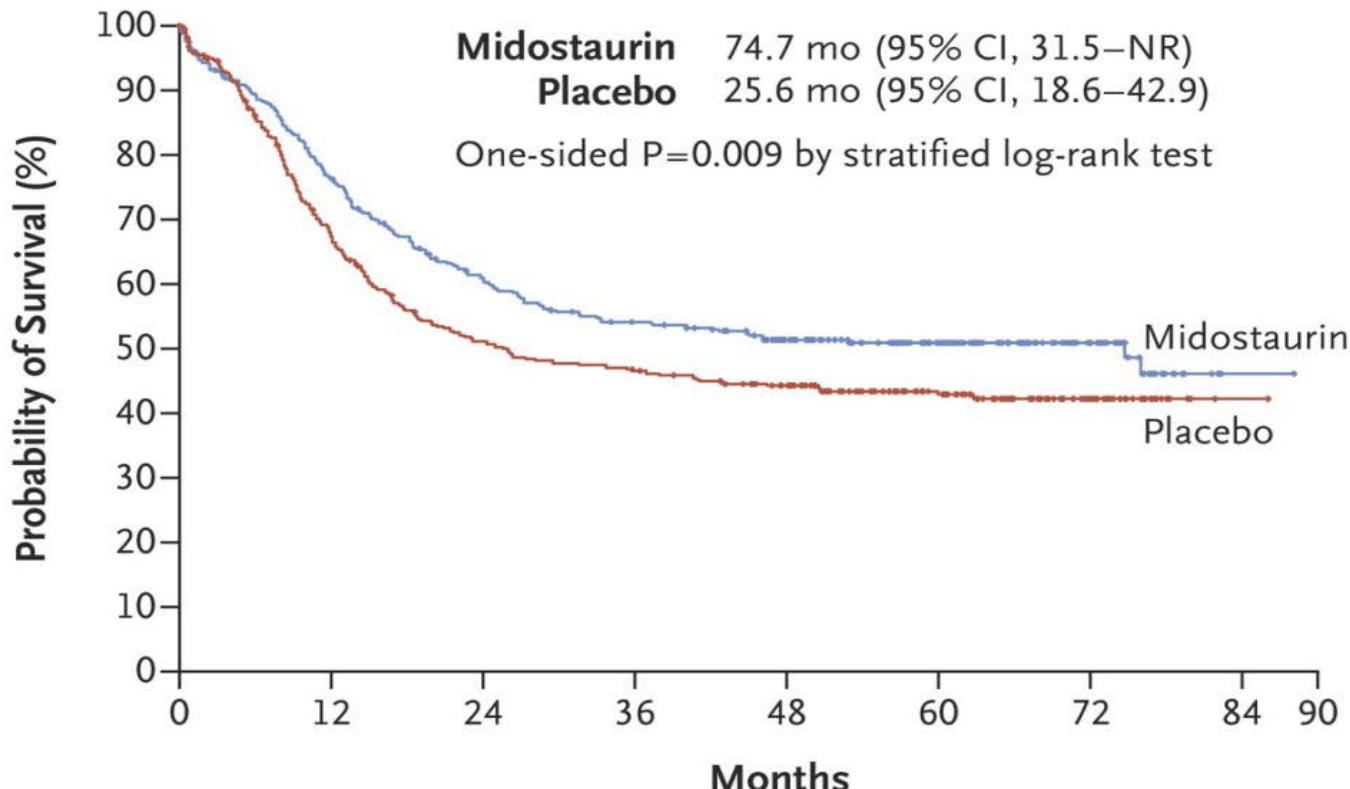


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# Overall Survival

## A Median Overall Survival



### No. at Risk

Midostaurin	360	269	208	181	151	97	37	1
Placebo	357	221	163	147	129	80	30	1

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# **FT3-ITD Today: What we know**

- PCR to diagnose- quick TAT
  - Midostaurin ASAP in induction
- Use in consolidation, maintenance<sup>1</sup>
- HCT still important in consolidation
  - Midostaurin is safe post HCT (RADIUS trial results (ASH 2016)<sup>2</sup>
- Other *FLT-3* inhibitors under study

1. Stone RM, NEJM 2017, 2. Mazirz R, ASH 2016

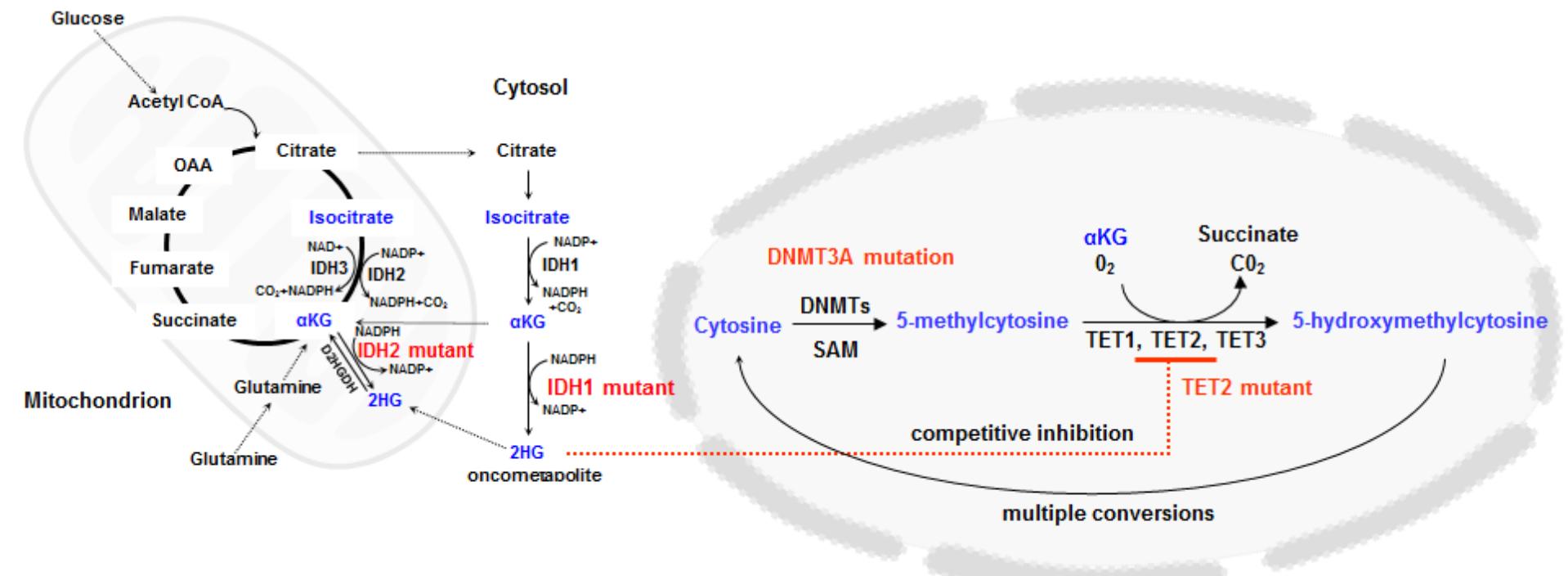
# IDH 1 and IDH2 in AML

- Identified in 2009
- Recurrent somatic mutations
- ~20% of AML patients
- Produces altered pathway of D-2-hydroxyglutarate (D-2HG)
- Leads to hypermethylation → impaired hematopoietic differentiation
- Older, CN, higher platelets
- Associated with NPM1, FLT3-ITD
- IDH2-R172- responds well to HiDAC

# IDH inhibitors

- Block αKG conversion to the oncometabolite D-2HG
- Reduces histone and DNA methylation
- Returns normal differentiation over weeks

# IDH, TET2 interaction



# IDH differentiation syndrome

- Clinical Picture: culture-negative fever, edema, hypotension, and pleural and/or pericardial effusions
- Neutrophil-predominant leukocytosis
- Described in ~5% to 10% of patients across IDH inhibitor clinical trials
- Treatment
  - Decadron 10 mg Q12 hours
  - Stop drug until symptoms improve

# Enasidenib (AG-221)

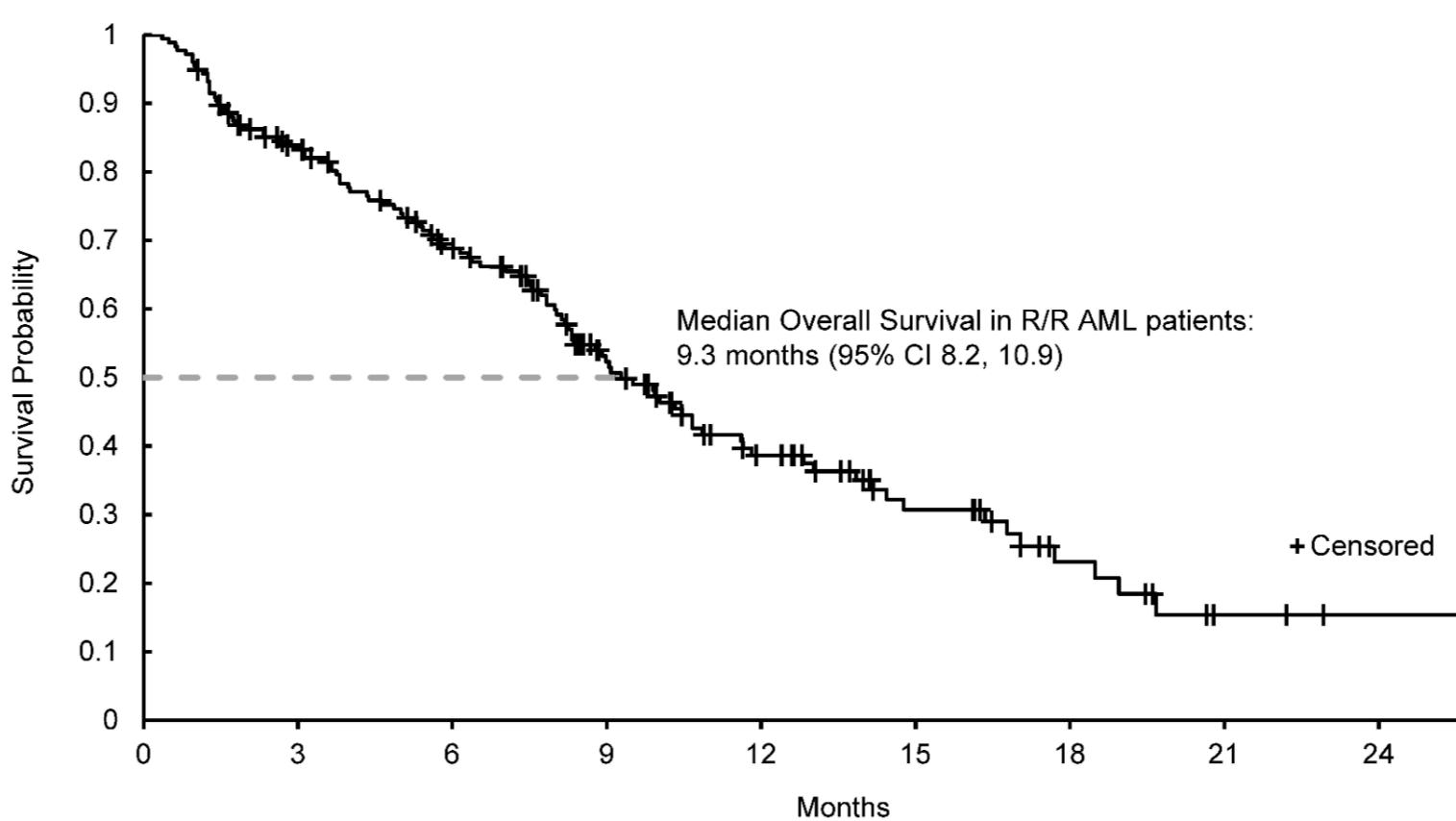
- Oral IHD2-R140 and R-172 inhibitor
- MTD 650mg/day from phase I
- Safety on 239 patients
- Phase I- 41% RR, CR of 18%
- Grade 3/4 Side effects
  - Hyperbilirubinemia (UGT1A1) 12%
  - Differentiation syndrome 7%

# IDH inhibitor (NCT01915498)

- phase I/II study of enasidenib
- Patients with AML age  $\geq 60$  with *IDH2* mutation and relapsed or refractory AML therapy
  - 100mg/day effective dose based on PK and IDH blockade efficacy
- 176 patients
- RR= 40.3% duration 5.8 months

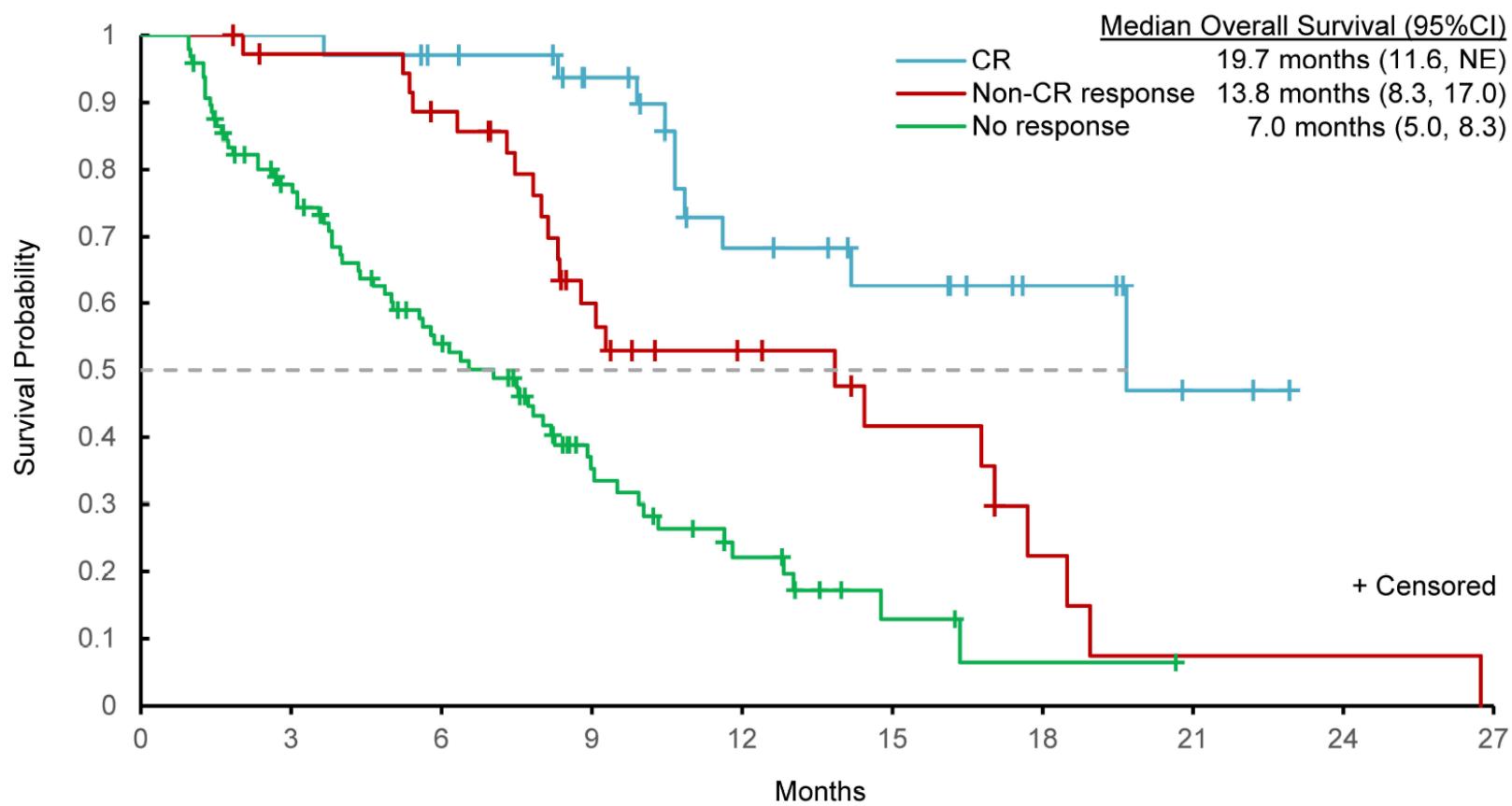
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# Enasidenib (AG-221) OS



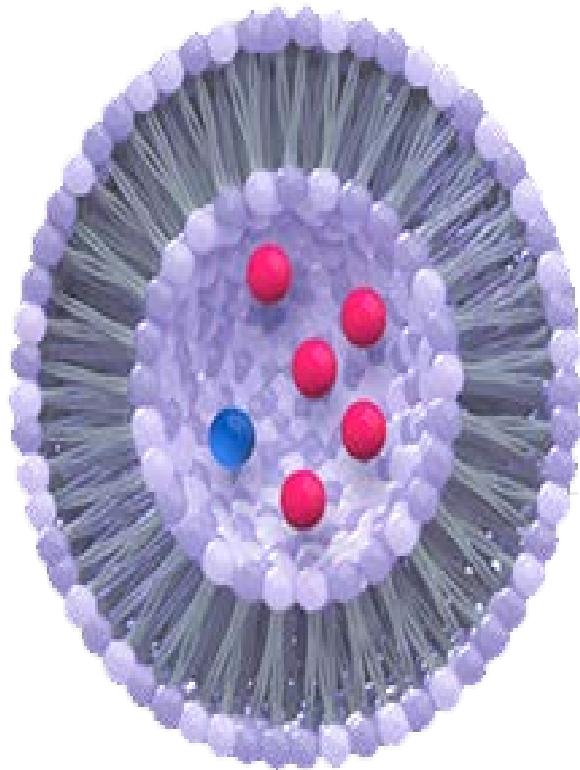
# Enasidenib AG-221 OS on Response

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# CPX-351 Uses a Nano-Scale Delivery

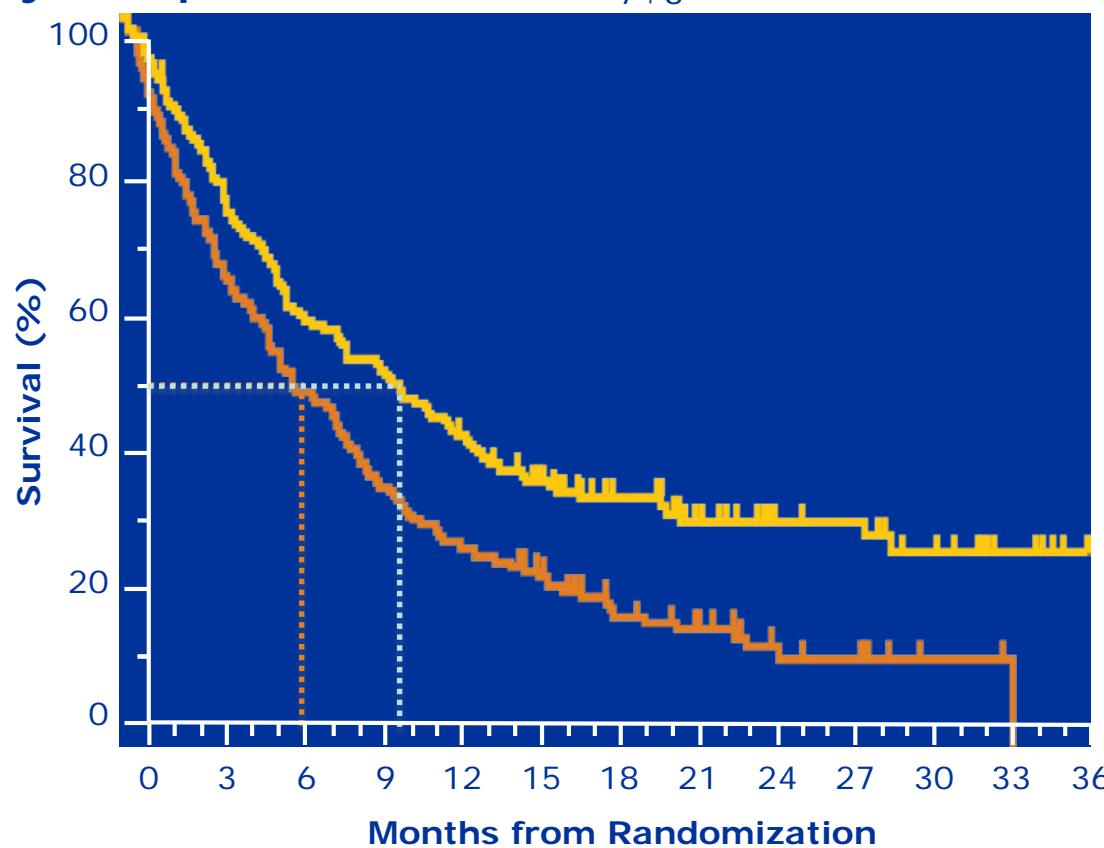


- 100 nm bilamellar liposomes
- 5:1 molar ratio of cytarabine to daunorubicin
- 1 unit = 1.0 mg cytarabine plus 0.44 mg daunorubicin
- Better BM penetration
- Phase 2 Study
  - Well tolerated
  - Improved CR, OS for s-AML

# Overall Survival Was Greater in the CPX-351 Arm

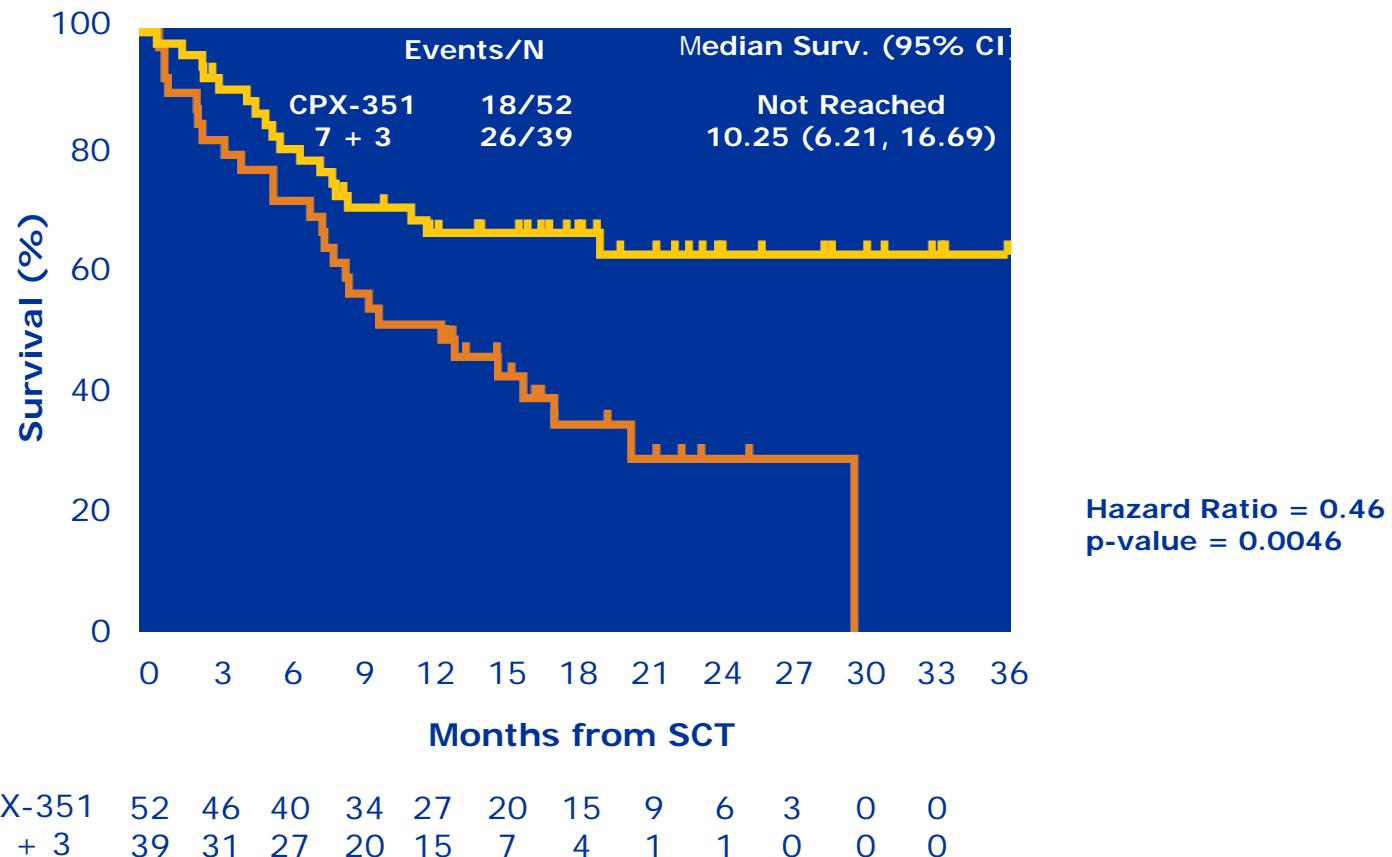
Kaplan-Meier Curve for Overall Survival  
ITT Analysis Population

Events/N  
CPX-351 7+3 104/153 132/156  
Median Surv. (95% CI)  
9.56 (6.60, 11.86)  
5.95 (4.99, 7.75)

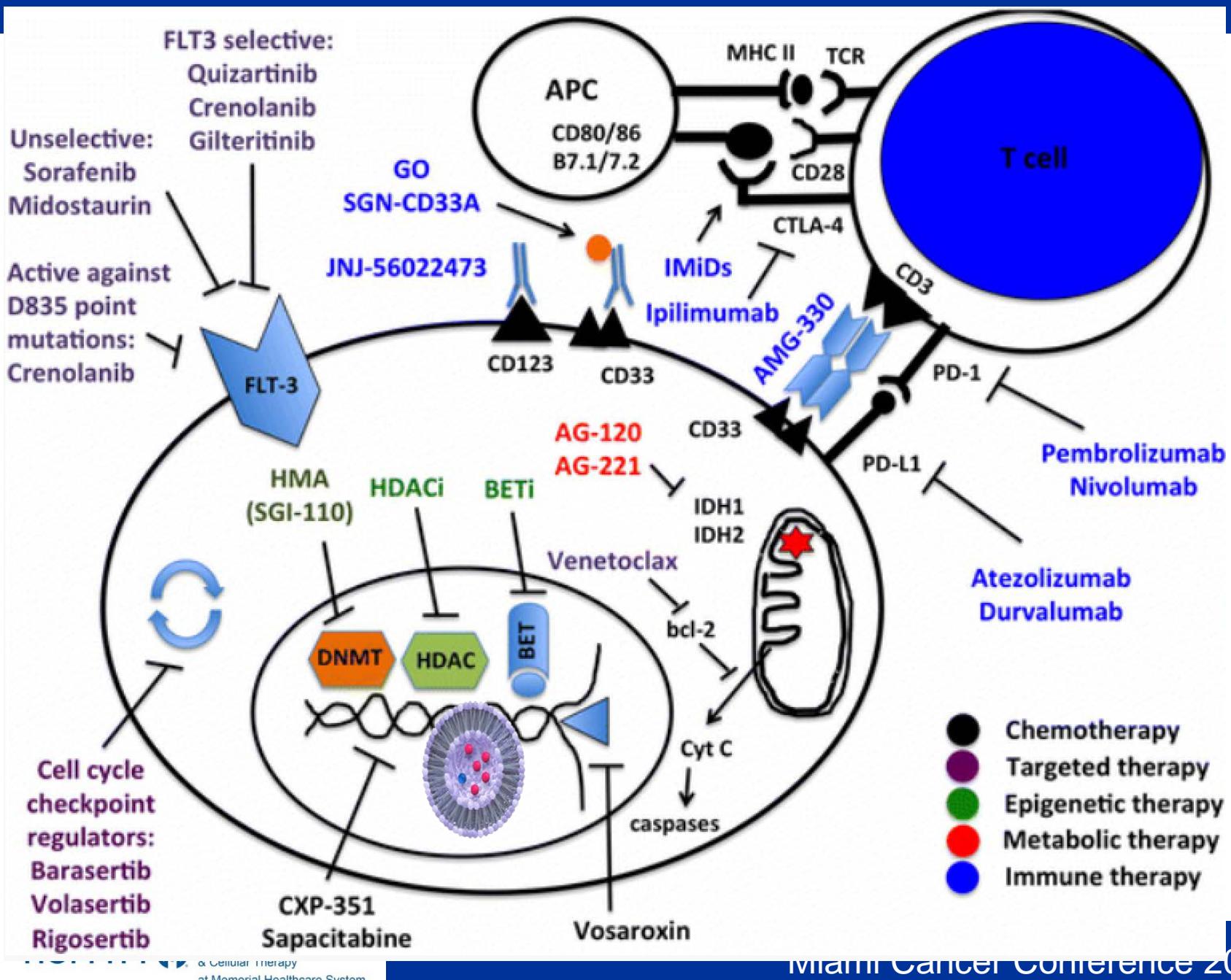


CPX-351	153	122	92	79	62	46	34	21	16	11	5	1
7 + 3	156	110	77	56	43	31	20	12	7	3	2	0

## Kaplan-Meier Curve for Overall Survival Landmarked at Stem Cell Transplant - ITT Analysis Population



CPX-351	52	46	40	34	27	20	15	9	6	3	0	0
7 + 3	39	31	27	20	15	7	4	1	1	0	0	0



# HCT in AML

- 74% eligible for HCT
  - Intermediate risk 35%
  - Unfavorable risk 39%
- Fitness of patient
- Age is not an issue
- Early HLA typing on all patients
  - Siblings too
- Referral to HCT center ASAP

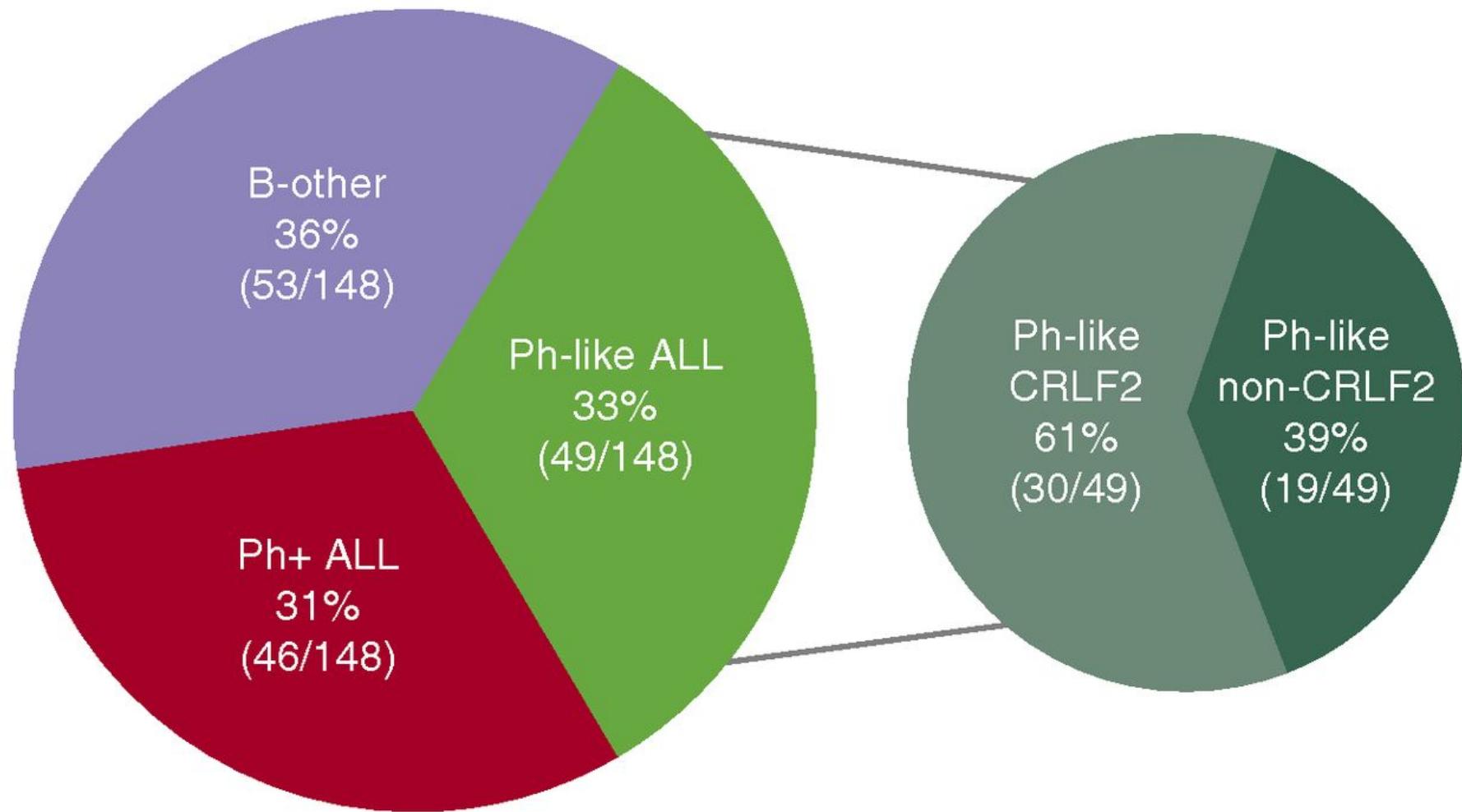
# ALL Prognostic Features

- Age
  - Children
  - Adolescents and Young Adults (15-39)
  - Older ( $\geq 40$ )
- WBC (B-30K; T- 100K)
- Cytogenetics
- Minimal residual disease

# ALL Cytogenetics in Adults

- Good Risk
  - Hyperdiploidy (51-65, +4,+10,+17) 7
  - t(12;21)(p13;q22): ETV6-RUNX 2
- Poor risk
  - Ph-like ALL 30
  - t (9;22) *BCR/ABL* 25
  - t (4;11) and t(\_;11q23) *KMT2A rearranged* 10
  - Hypodiploidy (<44) 2
  - Complex (>5 chromosomal abnormalities)
  - (iAMP21)

# Frequency of B-ALL subtypes in adults (N = 148)



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Blood 2017;129:572-581



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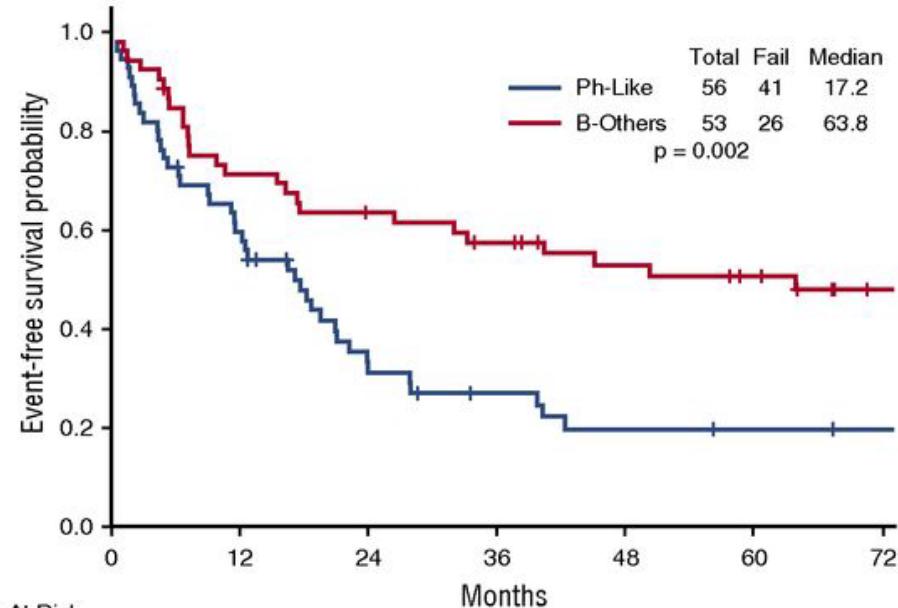
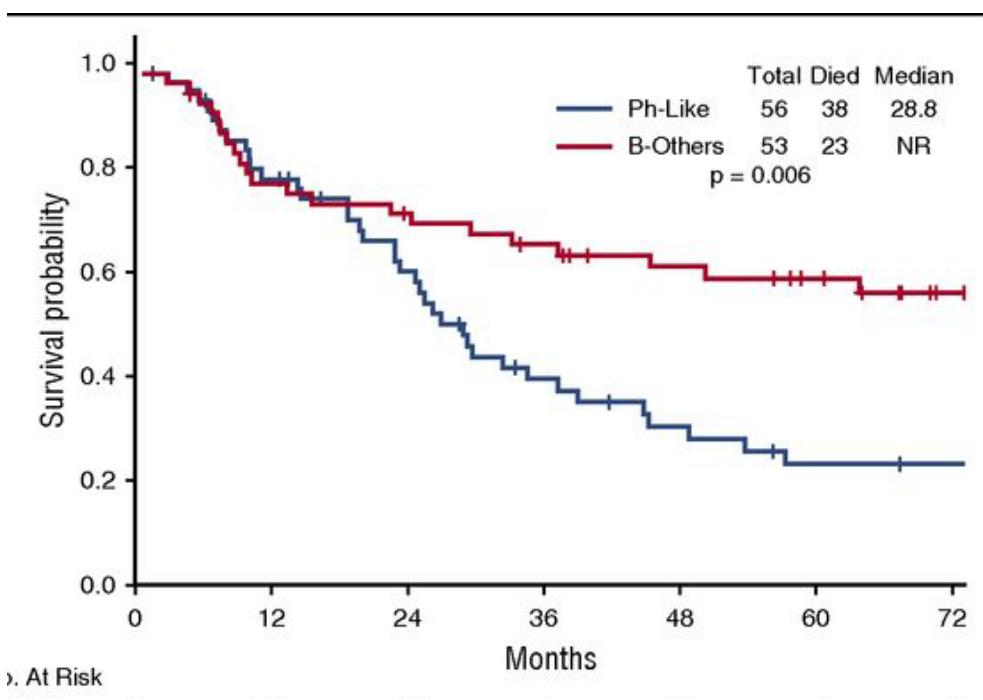
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# Ph-like ALL

- Distinct clinical entity
  - Associated with CRLF2 (51%), JAK2/EPOR(12.4%), ABL (9.8%),JAK/STAT (7.2%)
- High WBC at diagnosis ~50K
- Hispanic propensity (68%), male predominance (64%)
- Have a poor prognosis
  - OS 23% vs 59%
- HCT recommended

Roberts, et al, JCO 2017, Jain et al , Blood 2017

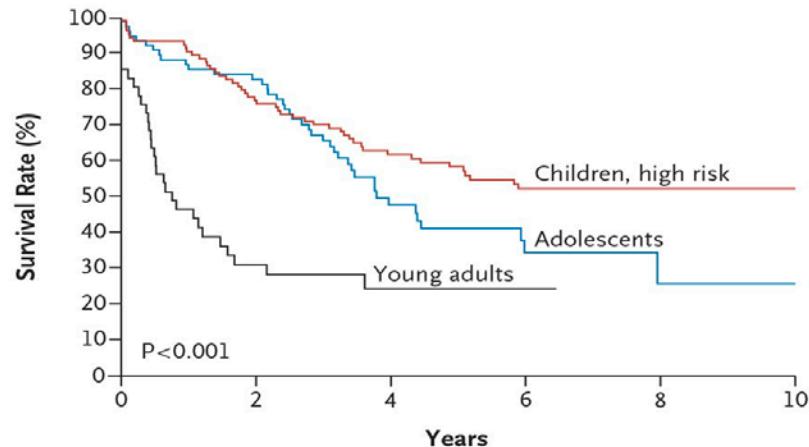
# Ph-like ALL and B-other ALL: OS and EFS



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# Kaplan–Meier Estimates of EFS and OS among Patients with Ph-like ALL

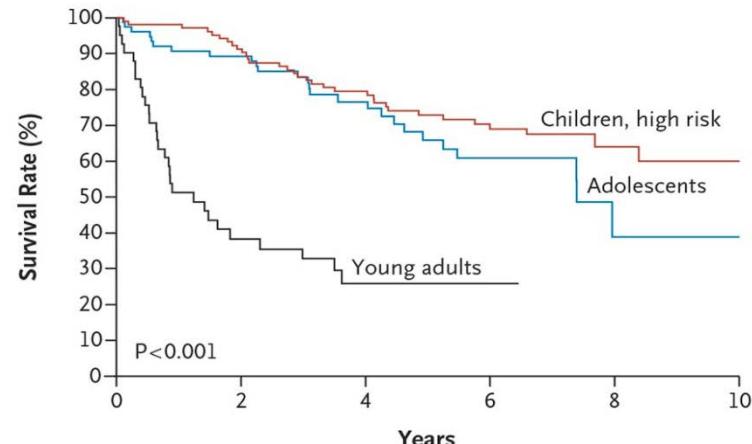
A Event-free Survival



No. at Risk

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Children, high risk	105	93	71	49	27	9					
Adolescents	76	63	42	17	6	3					
Young adults	41	18	10	3							

B Overall Survival



No. at Risk

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Children, high risk	105	101	85	61	37	13					
Adolescents	76	63	53	28	11	4					
Young adults	41	20	12	4							

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# Kinase Fusions Identified in Ph-like Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

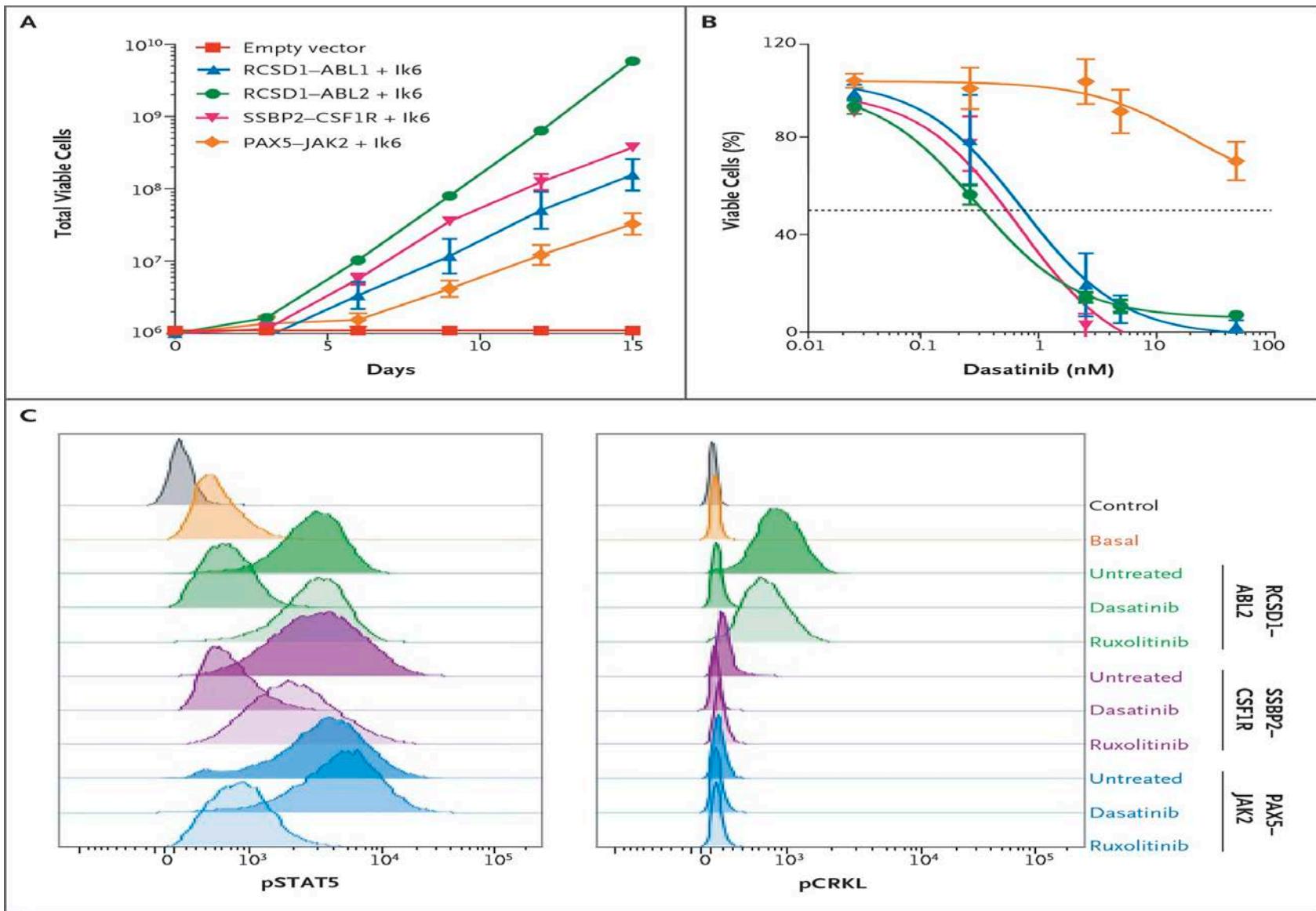
**Table 1.** Kinase Fusions Identified in Ph-like Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.

Kinase Gene	Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor	Fusion Partners	Patients number	5' Genes
<i>ABL1</i>	Dasatinib	6	14	<i>ETV6</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>NUP214</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>RCSD1</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>RANBP2</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>SNX2</i> , <sup>19</sup> <i>ZMIZ1</i> <sup>20</sup>
<i>ABL2</i>	Dasatinib	3	7	<i>PAG1</i> *, <i>RCSD1</i> *, <i>ZC3HAV1</i> *
<i>CSF1R</i>	Dasatinib	1	4	<i>SSBP2</i> *
<i>PDGFRB</i>	Dasatinib	4	11	<i>EBF1</i> , <sup>11-13</sup> <i>SSBP2</i> *, <i>TNIP1</i> *, <i>ZEB2</i> *
<i>CRLF2</i>	JAK2 inhibitor	2	30	<i>IGH</i> , <sup>21</sup> <i>P2RY8</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>JAK2</i>	JAK2 inhibitor	10	19	<i>ATF7IP</i> *, <i>BCR</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>EBF1</i> *, <i>ETV6</i> , <sup>23</sup> <i>PAX5</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>PPFIBP1</i> *, <i>SSBP2</i> , <sup>24</sup> <i>STRN3</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>TERF2</i> *, <i>TPR</i> *
<i>EPOR</i>	JAK2 inhibitor	2	9	<i>IGH</i> , <sup>11</sup> <i>IGK</i> *
<i>DGKH</i>	Unknown	1	1	<i>ZFAND3</i> *
<i>IL2RB</i>	JAK1 inhibitor, JAK3 inhibitor, or both	1	1	<i>MYH9</i> *
<i>NTRK3</i>	Crizotinib	1	1	<i>ETV6</i> <sup>25-27</sup> †
<i>PTK2B</i>	FAK inhibitor	2	1	<i>KDM6A</i> *, <i>STAG2</i> *
<i>TSLP</i>	JAK2 inhibitor	1	1	<i>IQGAP2</i> *
<i>TYK2</i>	TYK2 inhibitor	1	1	<i>MYB</i> *

\* The gene is a previously unreported fusion partner.

† *ETV6-NTRK3* has been reported in multiple cancers, including congenital fibrosarcoma<sup>25,26</sup> and secretory breast carcinoma,<sup>27</sup> but it has not previously been described in acute lymphoblastic leukemia.<sup>28,29</sup>

# Response to Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors



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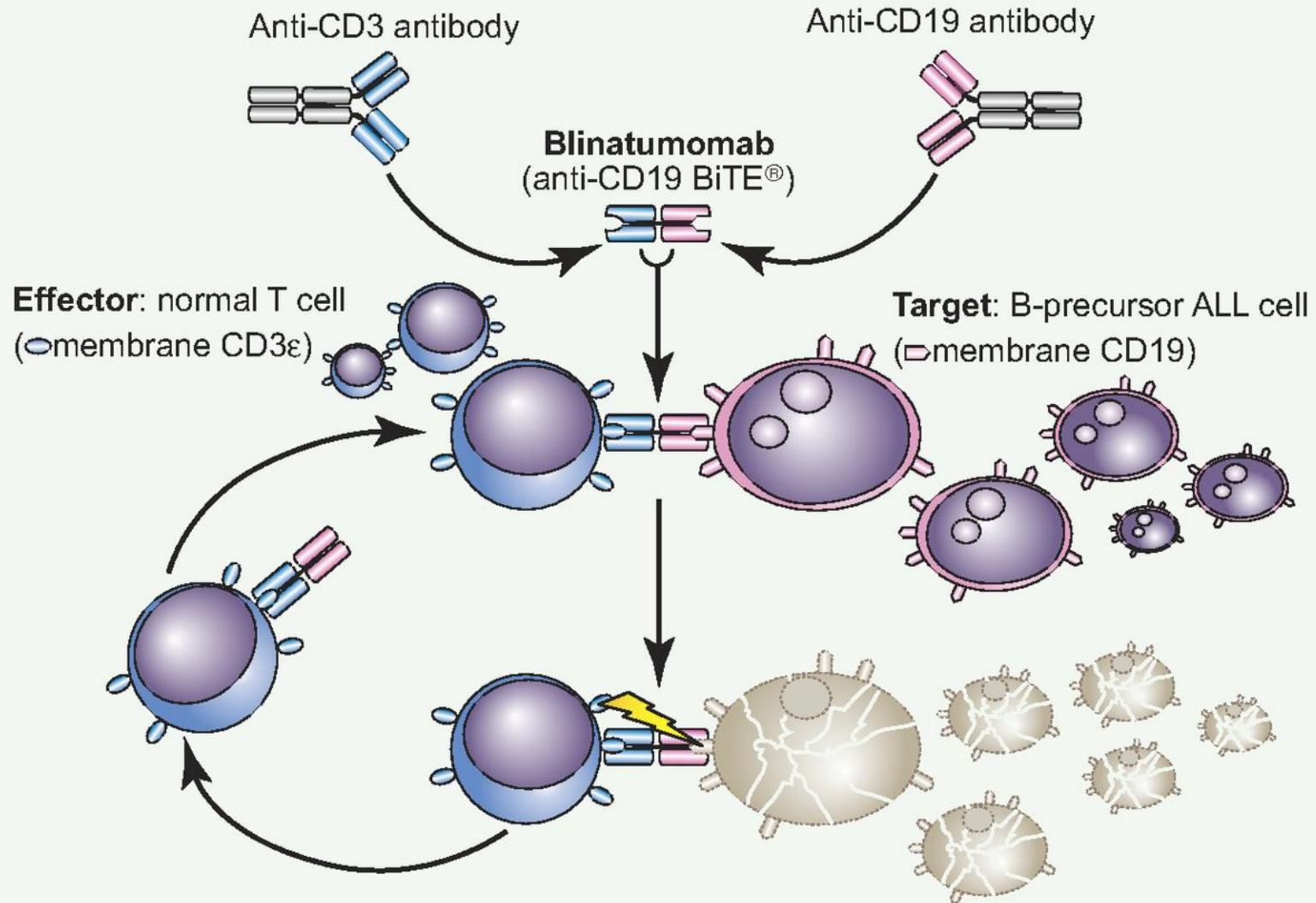
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# TKI in Ph<sup>+</sup> ALL-Need to know

- Increased CR rates and duration
  - ~90%
- Lower Pre-HCT tumor burden
- Allows for donor search
  - Sib, MUD, Haplo
  - MAC younger, RIC older
- Does not affect HCT toxicities
- Usually stopped 1 week prior to HCT

# Ph Positive ALL

- Induction with chemotherapy + TKI
  - BFM+ Imatinib (EsPhALL)
  - HyperC-VAD + dasatinib- MDACC
  - Continuous dosing recommended
- HCT is still mainstay of therapy
- No standard for post HCT maintenance
- MRD post HCT requires indeterminate length of therapy



# Blinatumomab V Chemotherapy

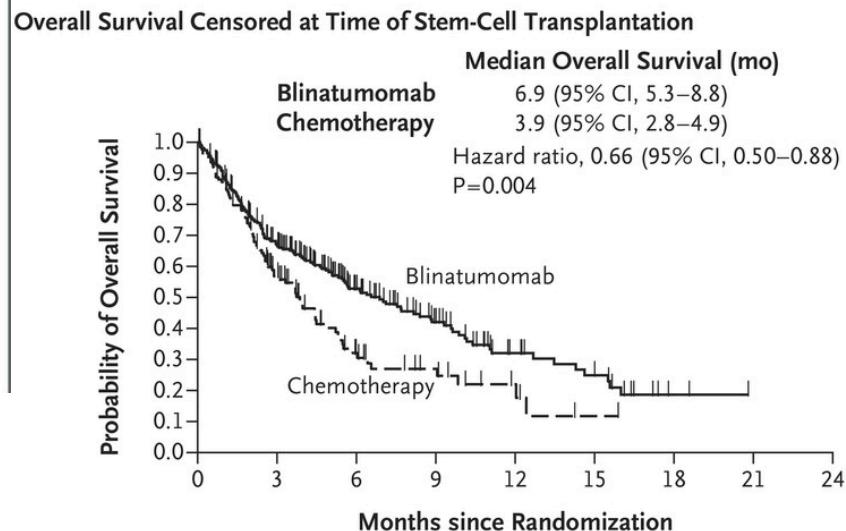
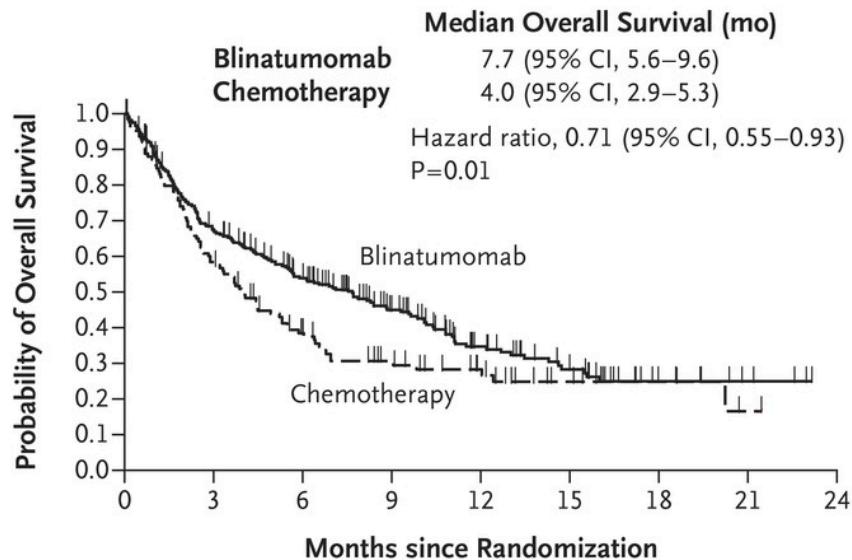
- Phase 3, multi-institution
- 405 patients- Blin-271, Chemo-134

<u>Responses</u>	Blin	Chemo
– CR	34%	16%
– OR	44%	25%
– EFS 6 month	31%	12%
– OS	7.7m	4.0m
– 24% proceeded to allo HCT		

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# Blinatumomab: Efficacy End Points.

## A Overall Survival



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# Inotuzumab vs Chemo

- Anti-CD22 moAb + calicheamicin
- Ino v chemo for RR ALL
- 326 patients (218 ITT)

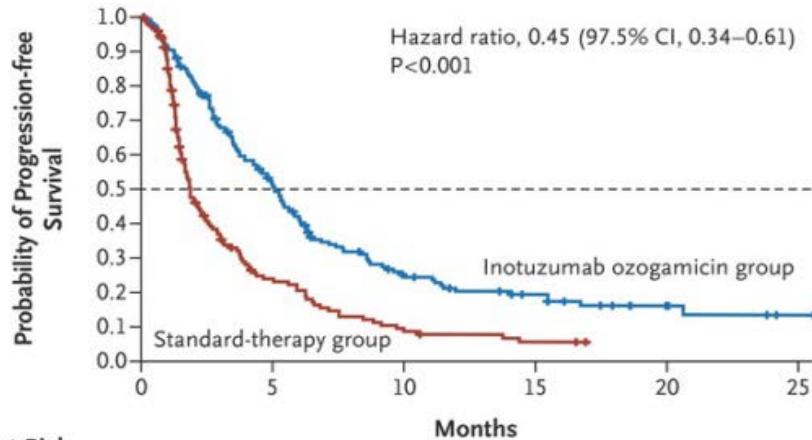
<u>Responses</u>	Ino	Chemo
– CR/CRI	80.7%	29.4%
– MRD	78.4%	28.1%
– PFS	5.8m	1.8m
– OS	7.7m	6.7m

- VOD occurred in 11% of Ino patients

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# Inotuzumab: PFS, and OS

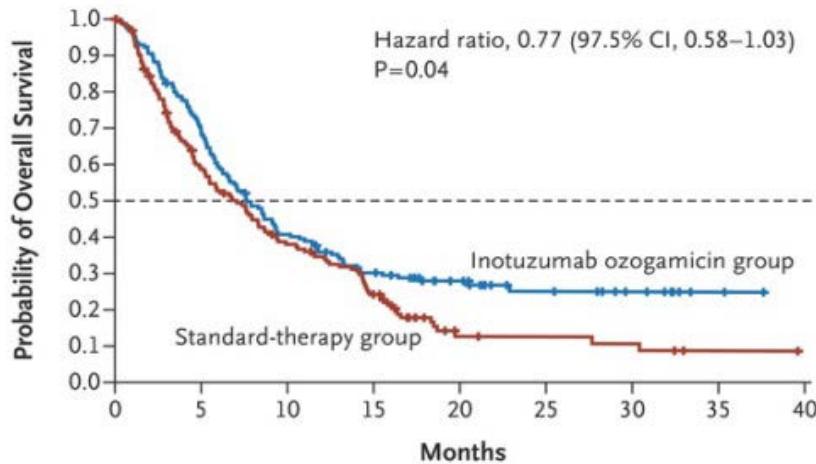
B Progression-free Survival



No. at Risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15
Inotuzumab ozogamicin group	164	72	28	16	6	1
Standard-therapy group	162	24	6	2	0	0

C Overall Survival



No. at Risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39
Inotuzumab ozogamicin group	164	112	62	41	24	13	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Standard-therapy group	162	85	51	30	6	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Targeting ALL with CAR-Ts

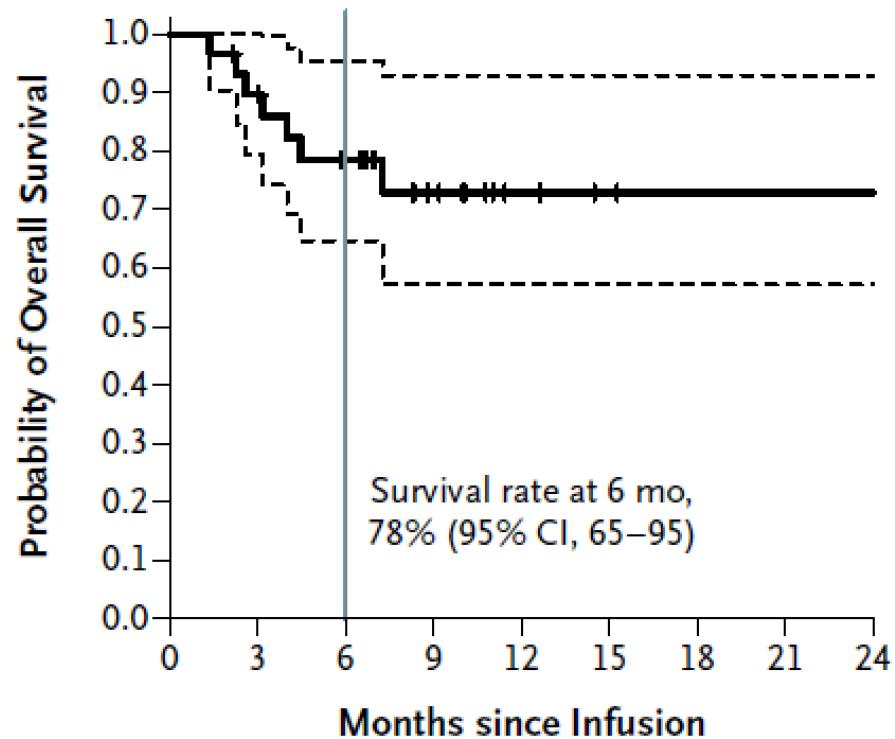
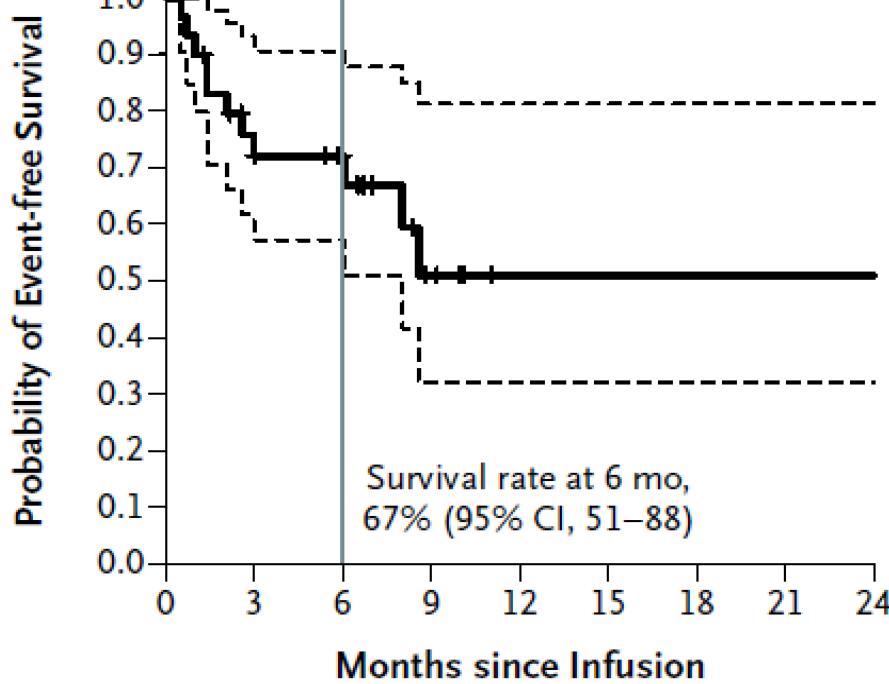
- Re-induction in R/R disease
- Multiple companies with different constructs
  - Novartis with first FDA filing for Peds, AYA
- Requires specialty center
  - Apheresis
  - Cell processing/GMP (Company driven)
  - Clinical team
    - Heme/Onc
    - Neurology
  - ICU care
  - Guidelines for Cytokine Release Syndrome

# CAR-T

- CD19 directed CAR-T (tisagenleucel)
- Dose escalation 0.76 - $20.6 \times 10^6$  CTL019 cells/kg
- 30 children and adults (15 prior HCT)
- CR- 90%, 6 mo EFS- 67%
- OS- 78%
- CRS was seen in all
  - Treated with anti-IL6-tocilizumab

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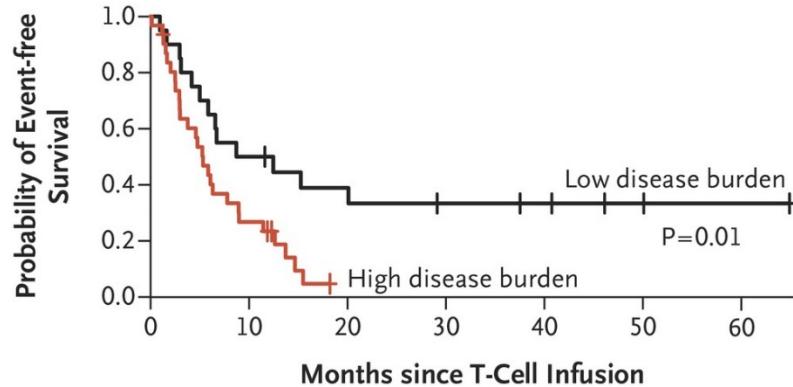
# CTL019 EFS and OS



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# Event-free Survival and Overall Survival According to Pre-treatment Disease Burden

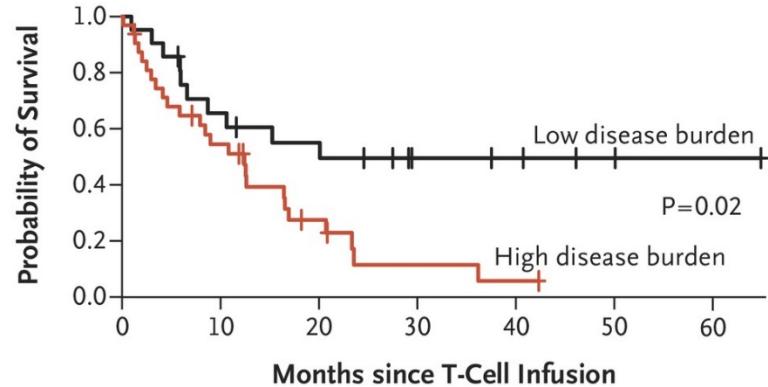
A Event-free Survival, According to Disease Burden



No. at Risk

Low burden	20	10	7	5	4	2	1
High burden	31	8	0	0	0	0	0

B Overall Survival, According to Disease Burden



No. at Risk

Low burden	21	13	10	5	4	2	1
High burden	32	16	6	2	1	0	0

# HCT in ALL

- In adults
  - AYA with high risk features
  - Older all patients
- Adjust regimen to suit patient
  - RIC appropriate for over 55
- Care with inotuzumab –VOD
- TKI do not affect Ph<sup>+</sup>

# Conclusions

- Unique disorders
  - Aggressive therapy
  - Best chance to do it right is upfront
- Risk stratification requires complete evaluation
- Mutations are targetable in both diseases