

# Optimizing Patient Outcomes Through Individualized Treatment Approaches: Phase III Data

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# Educational objectives

- Discuss treatment goals in multiple myeloma and review the evidence supporting proteasome inhibition as an effective therapy to achieve maximal response
- Review Phase III clinical trial data in the treatment of newly diagnosed multiple myeloma in the transplant and non-transplant settings
- Evaluate management strategies for patients with comorbidities, as well as strategies to improve treatment tolerability
- Discuss practical issues about the management of patients receiving novel agents



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# Clinical implications of proteasome inhibition in multiple myeloma: a decade of clinical experience



# Treatment goals and clinical outcomes in multiple myeloma

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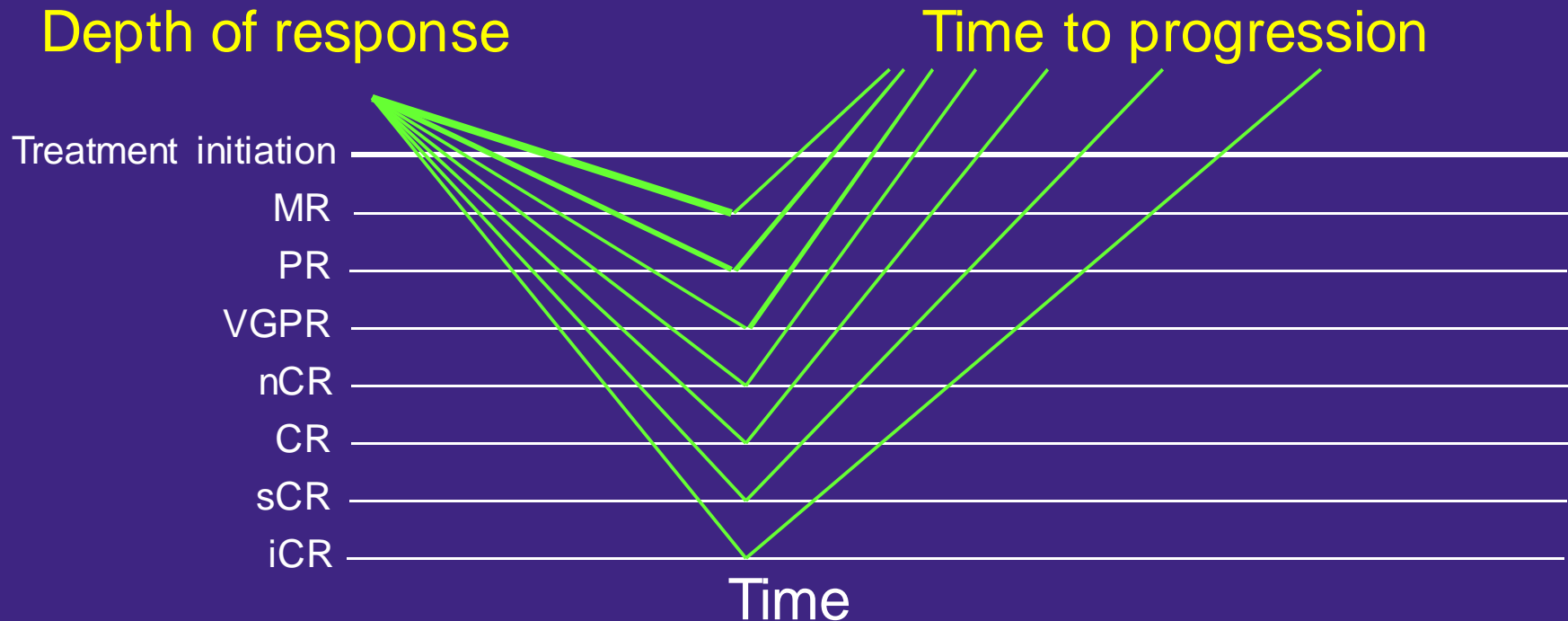
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# Major treatment goals

- **Achieve disease response**
- **Reduce active symptom burden**
- **Prevent any additional morbidity**
- **Prolong the patient's overall survival**
- **Ultimately, to cure multiple myeloma altogether**

# What disease response is best?



- **Depth of response is related to TTP**



# In transplant patients

- Meta-analysis of 21 studies
- Highly significant association between CR / nCR / VGPR following induction and TTP / EFS / OS ( $p=0.0001$  for time to event,  $p<0.0027$  for OS)
- Also between CR / nCR / VGPR following transplant ( $p<0.00001$  for both)

# In novel agent era

- **MRC Myeloma IX, CTD vs CVAD**
  - CR associated with better PFS<sup>1,2</sup>
- **IFM 2005-01; VD vs VAD**
  - VGPR or better after induction major PFS factor<sup>3</sup>
- **GIMEMA; VTD vs VD**
  - CR/nCR prognostic for PFS<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Morgan et al. *Blood* 2009; 114(22); Abstract 352 (oral presentation)

<sup>2</sup>Morgan et al. *IMW* 2009; Abstract A546 (oral presentation)

<sup>3</sup>Moreau et al. *Blood* 2011; 117(11): 3041-3044

<sup>4</sup>Cavo et al. *Lancet* 2010; 376(9758): 2075-2085

## In non-transplant setting

- **GIMEMA trial of MPT vs MP<sup>1</sup>**
  - Better PFS if in VGPR after 6 months ( $p=0.02$ )
- **MRC Myeloma IX trial of CTDa vs MP<sup>2</sup>**
  - CR patients had longer PFS/OS ( $p<0.001$ )
- **VISTA trial of VMP vs MP<sup>3</sup>**
  - Patients in CR had longer TTP ( $p=0.004$ ), PFS, TTNT
- **GIMEMA trial of VMPT + VT vs VMP<sup>4</sup>**
  - Longer PFS for CR vs VGPR and PR
- **PETHEMA/GEM trial of VMP+VT/VP vs VTP+VT/VP<sup>5</sup>**
  - Longer PFS if MRD negative status

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. *Blood* 2008; 112: 3107-3114

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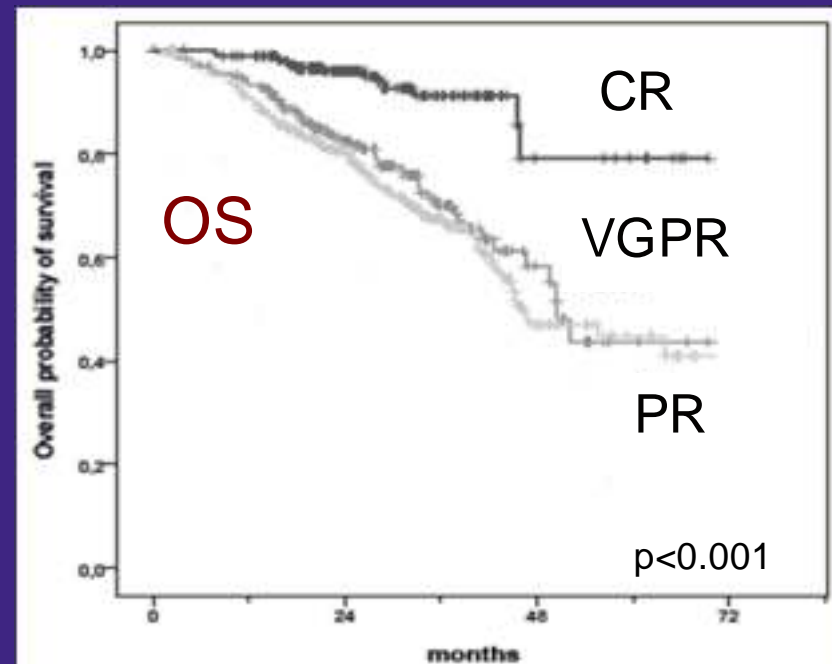
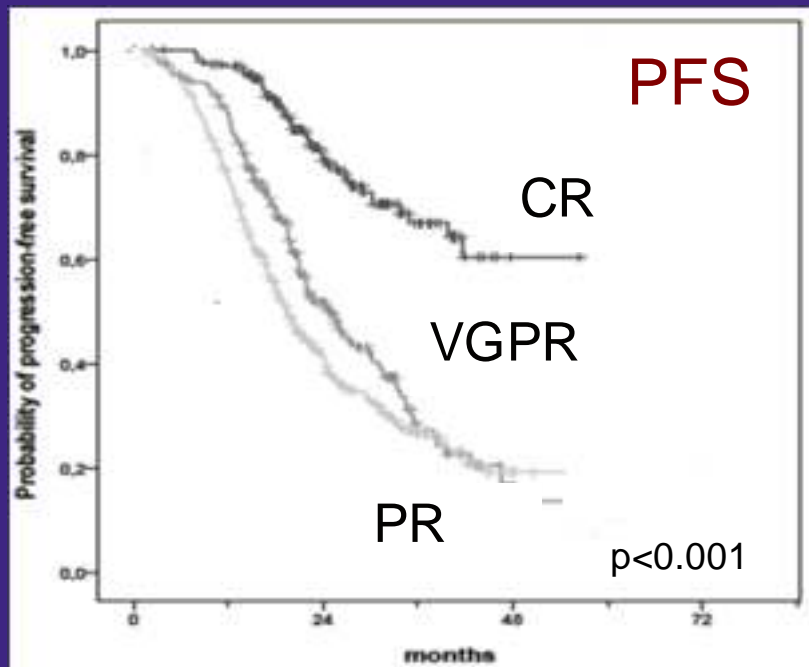
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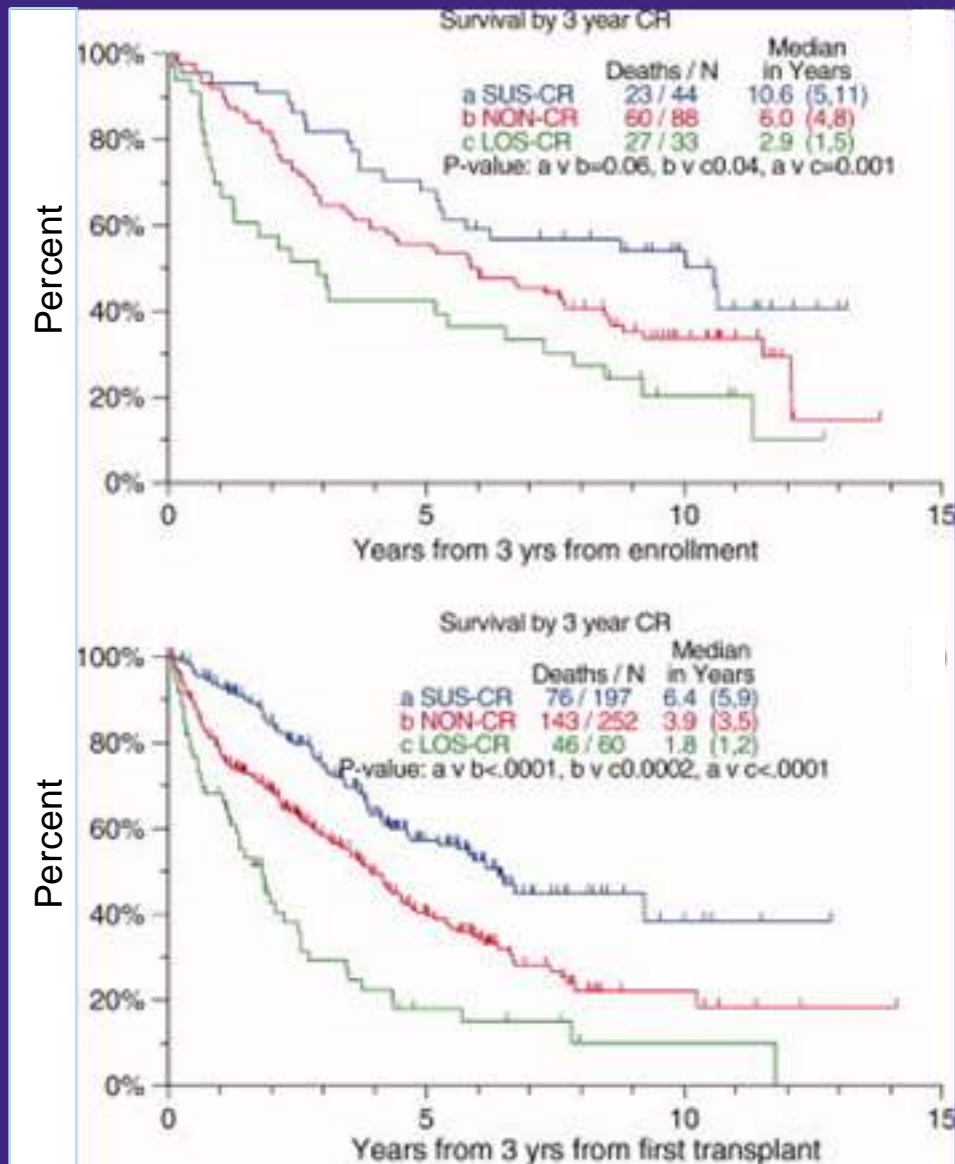
# CR correlates with survival

- Retrospective analysis of three randomized studies from GIMEMA and HOVON (n=1175)
  - MP (n=332), MPT (n=332), VMP (n=257), or VMPT-VT (n=254)





# Achieving and maintaining CR



- Sustaining CR within a 3-year landmark from treatment initiation was associated with a highly superior survival ( $p<0.0001$ )
- Achieving and losing CR worse than no CR

# Value of Immunophenotypic CR

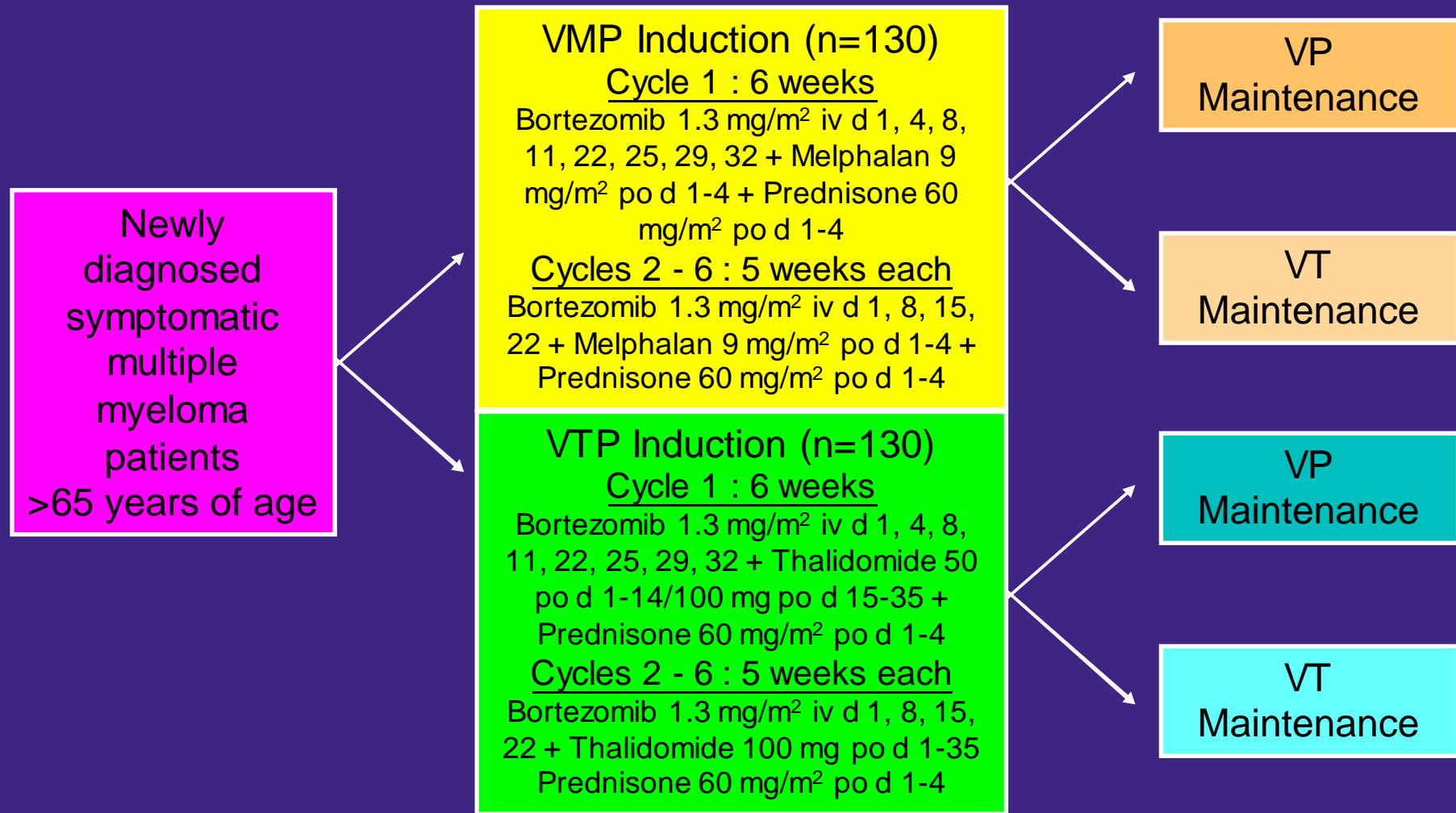
## 2009 ASH Abstract 3

**A Prospective, Multicenter, Randomized, Trial of Bortezomib/Melphalan/Prednisone (VMP) Versus Bortezomib/Thalidomide/Prednisone (VTP) as Induction Therapy Followed by Maintenance Treatment with Bortezomib/Thalidomide (VT) Versus Bortezomib/Prednisone (VP) in Elderly Untreated Patients with Multiple Myeloma Older Than 65 Years**

**Maria-Victoria Mateos, A. Oriol, J. Martinez, M.T. Cibeira<sup>4</sup>, N.C. Gutiérrez<sup>5</sup>, M.J. Terol<sup>6</sup>, R. de Paz<sup>7</sup>, J. García-Laraña<sup>8</sup>, E. Bengoechea<sup>9</sup>, A.M. García-Sancho<sup>10</sup>, R. Martínez<sup>11</sup>, L. Palomera<sup>12</sup>, F. de Arriba<sup>13</sup>, Y. Gonzalez<sup>14</sup>, J. Hernández<sup>15</sup>, A. Sureda<sup>16</sup>, J.-L. Bello<sup>17</sup>, J.J. Lahuerta<sup>18</sup>, J. Blade<sup>19</sup> and Jesús F. San-Miguel<sup>20</sup>**

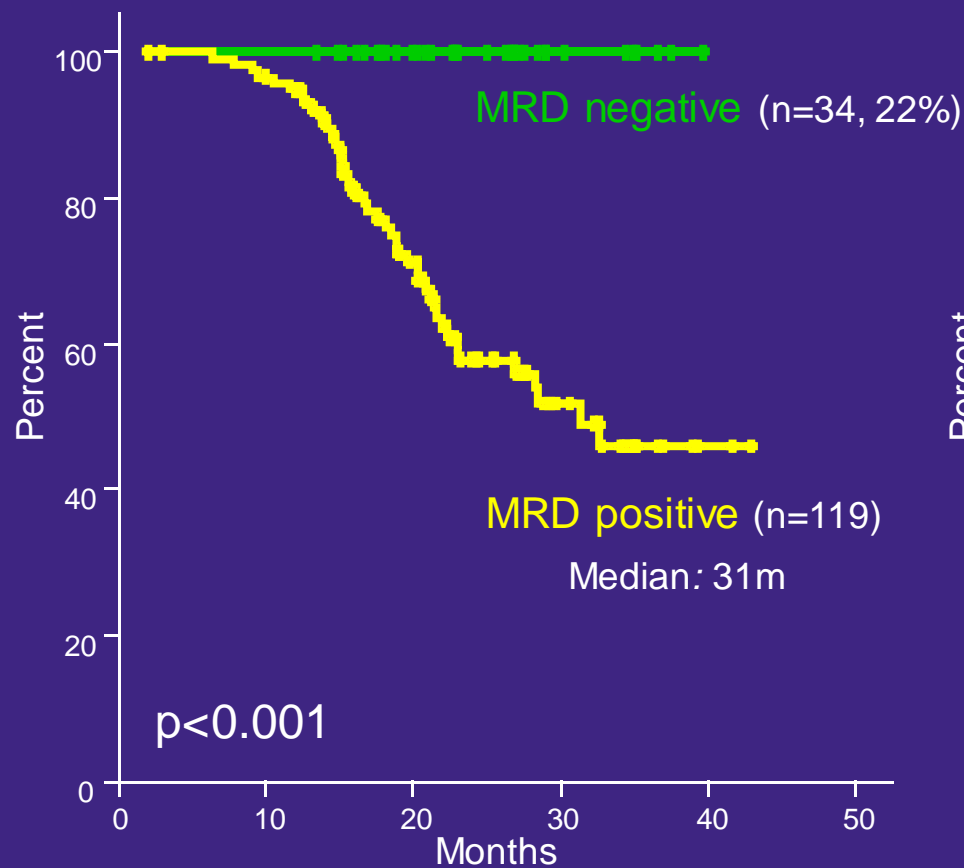
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# Study design

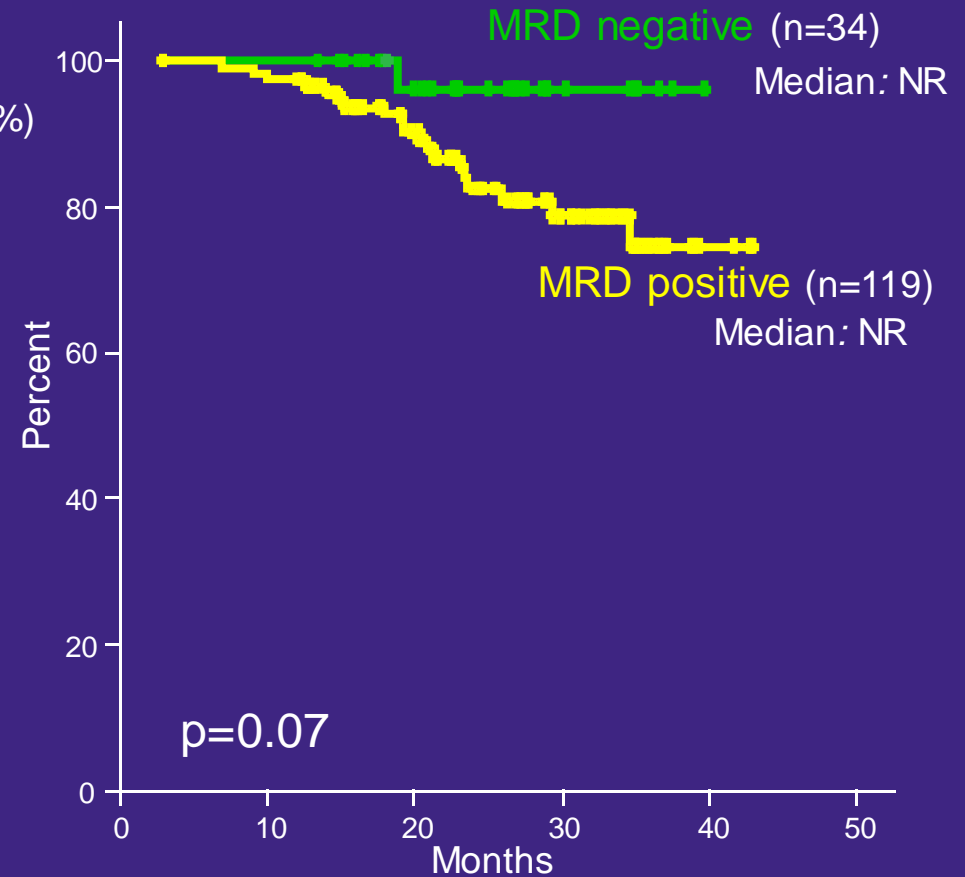


# Immunophenotypic CR & outcome

## TTP



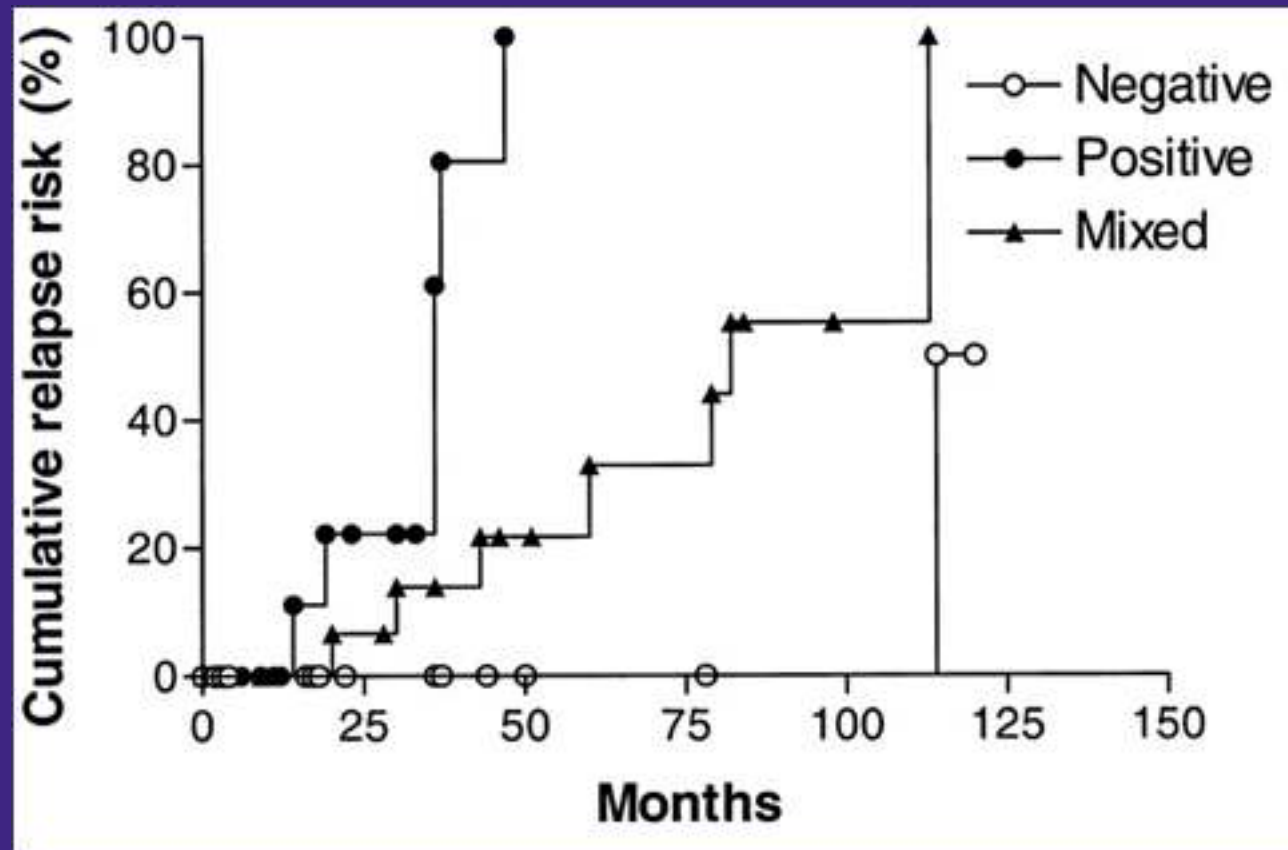
## OS





# Molecularly defined CR?

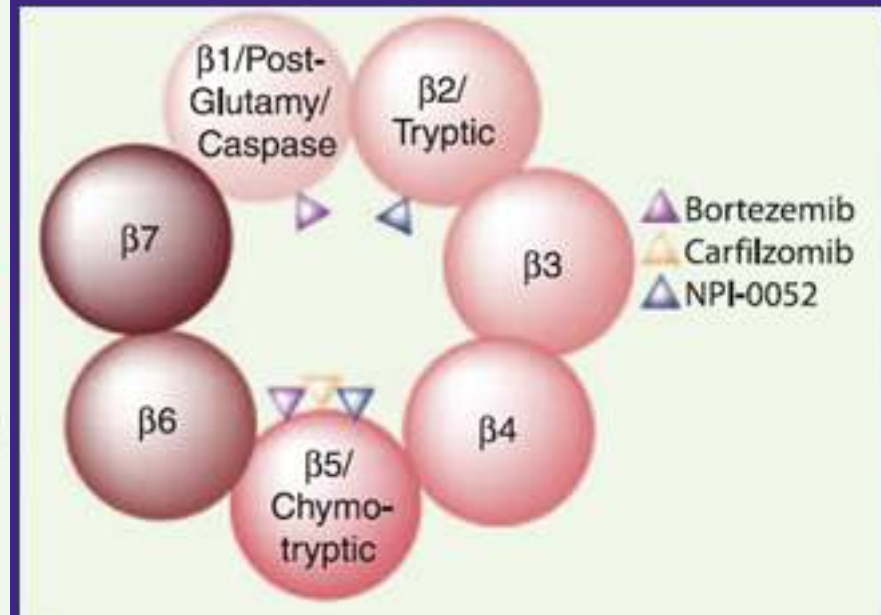
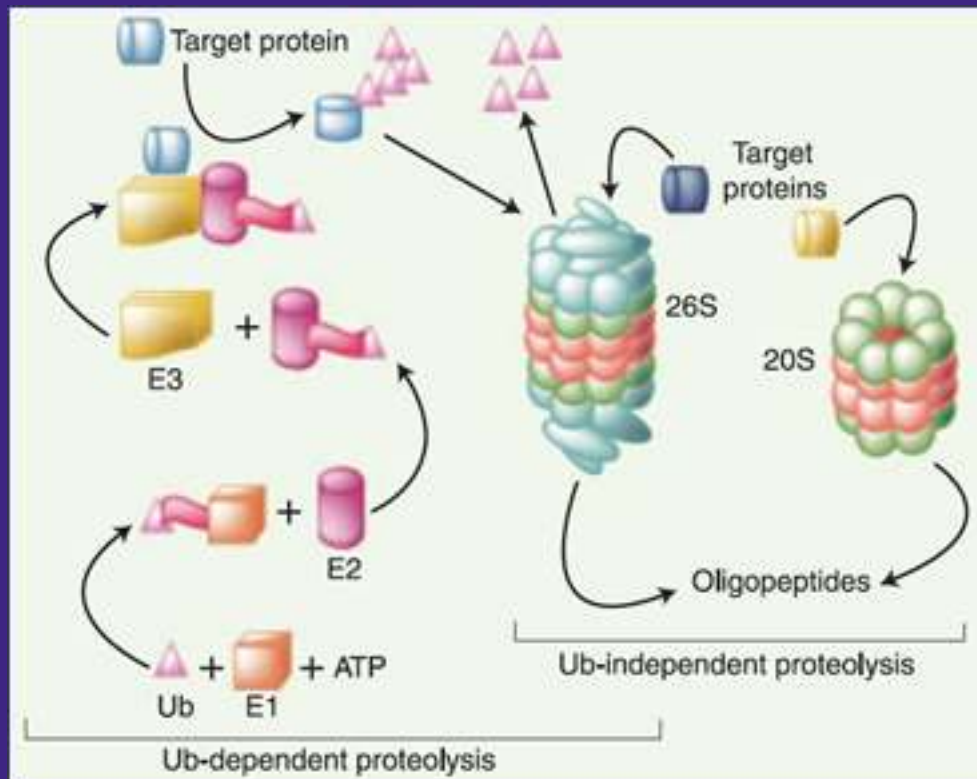
- PCR-based Ig re-arrangement assay in patients s/p allo-SCT



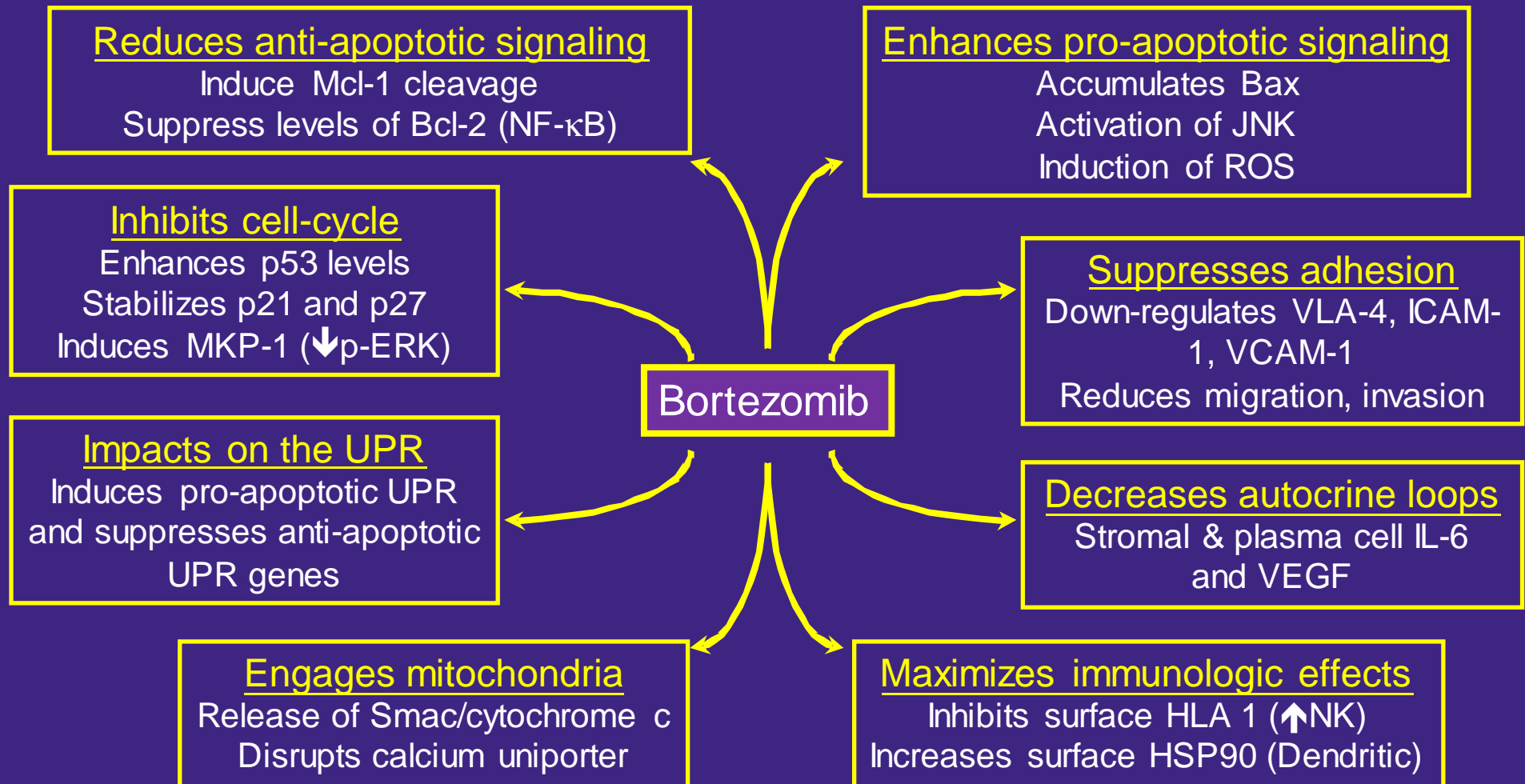
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# Bortezomib and the proteasome



# Mechanisms: Effects in myeloma

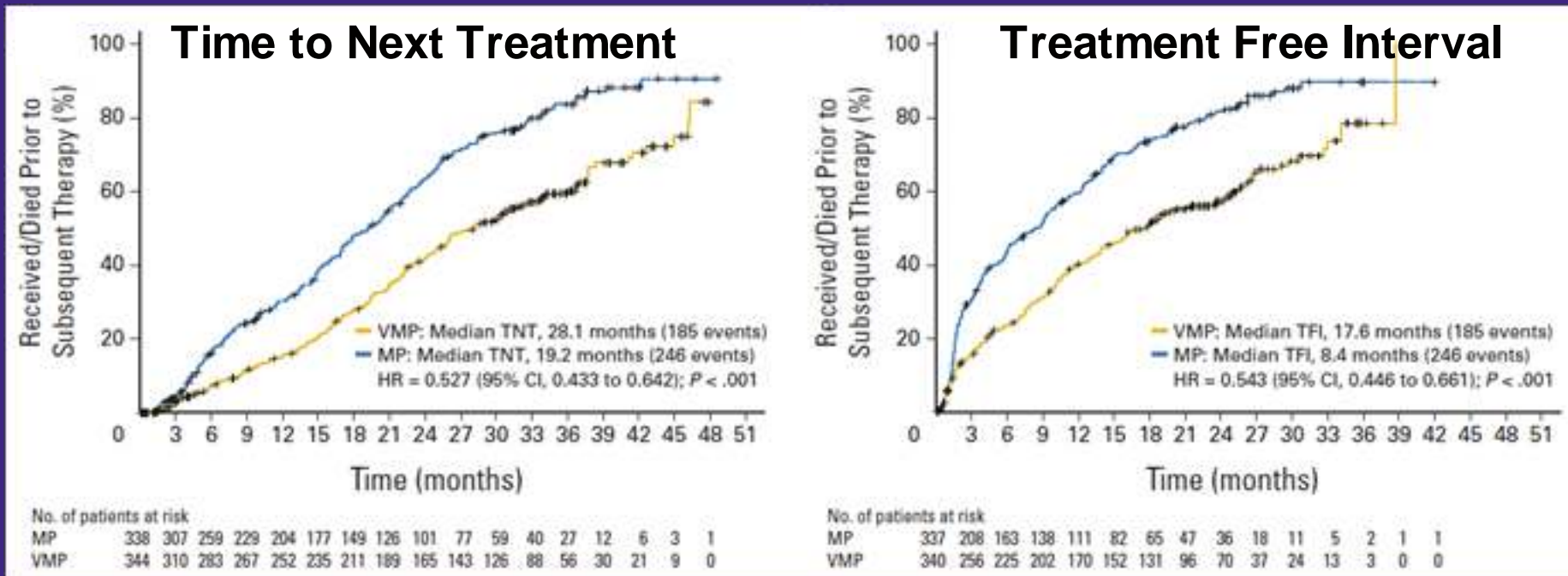




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# TTNT and TFI



- Superior induction maximizes TTNT and TFI

## Also true in relapsed setting

	<b>CR (n=27)</b>	<b>VGPR (n=31)</b>	<b>PR (n=77)</b>	<b>Total (n=315)</b>
<b>Median TFI, months</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>4.8</b>
<b>Median TTAT, months</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>10.6</b>

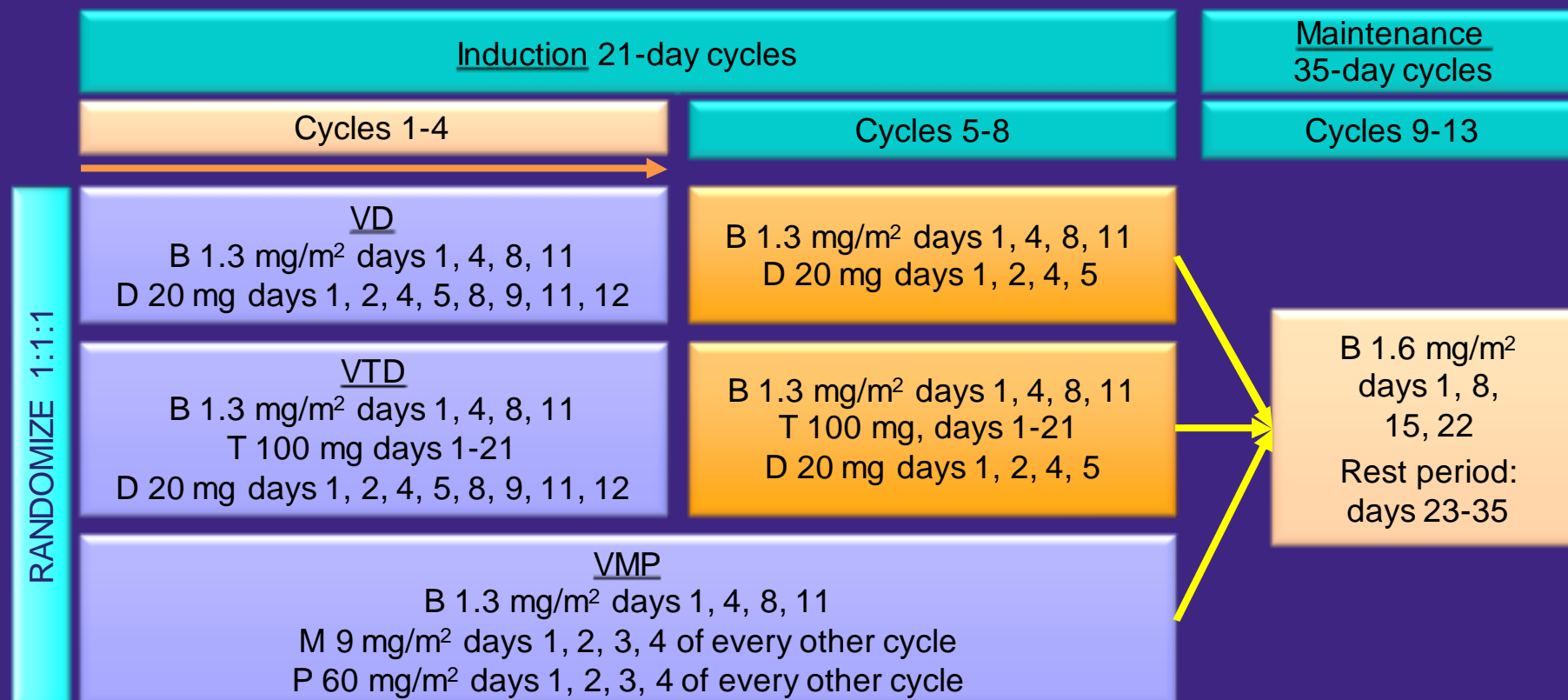
- TFI longer for CR vs VGPR ( $p=0.007$ ) and PR ( $p=0.002$ )
- TTAT better for CR vs VGPR ( $p=0.007$ ) and vs PR ( $p=0.002$ )

# 2010 ASH Abstract 619

## **Phase 3b UPFRONT Study : Safety and Efficacy of Weekly Bortezomib Maintenance Therapy After Bortezomib-Based Induction Regimens In Elderly, Newly Diagnosed Multiple Myeloma Patients**

**Ruben Niesvizky, Ian W. Flinn, Robert M. Rifkin, Nashat Y Gabrail, Veena Charu, Billy Clowney, James Essell, Yousuf A Gaffar, Thomas A. Warr, Rachel Neuwirth, Deyanira Corzo, and James A Reeves**

# Study design

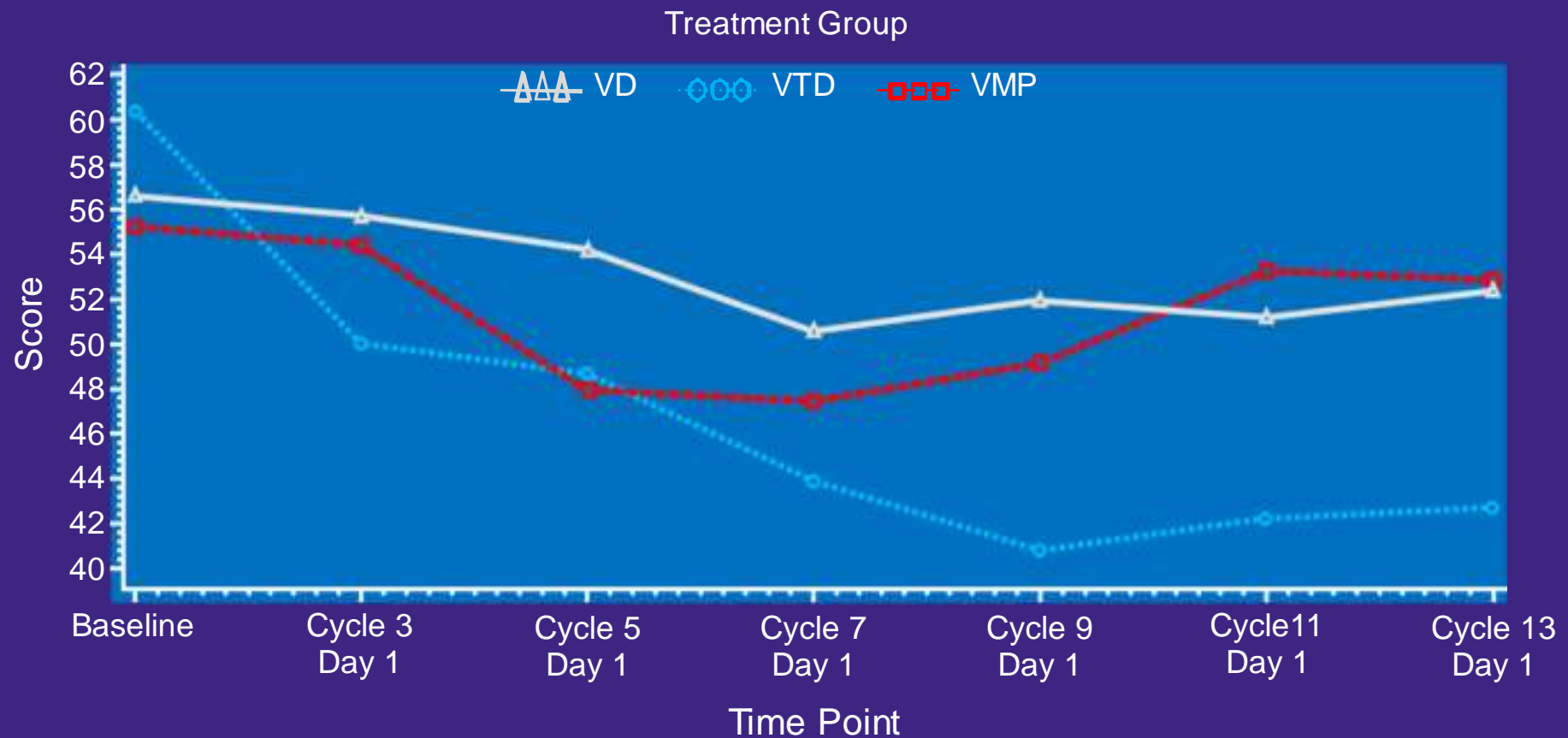


BD and BTD: reduced dexamethasone dosing in cycles 5-8 vs 1-4

- **Endpoints: primary – PFS; secondary – ORR, safety, QoL**
- **Patients: results reported after 100 patients in each arm had the opportunity to complete all 13 treatment cycles (8 induction cycles and 5 maintenance cycles)**

*Niesvizky et al. Blood 2010; 116(21): Abstract 619 (oral presentation)*

# Patient-reported quality of life

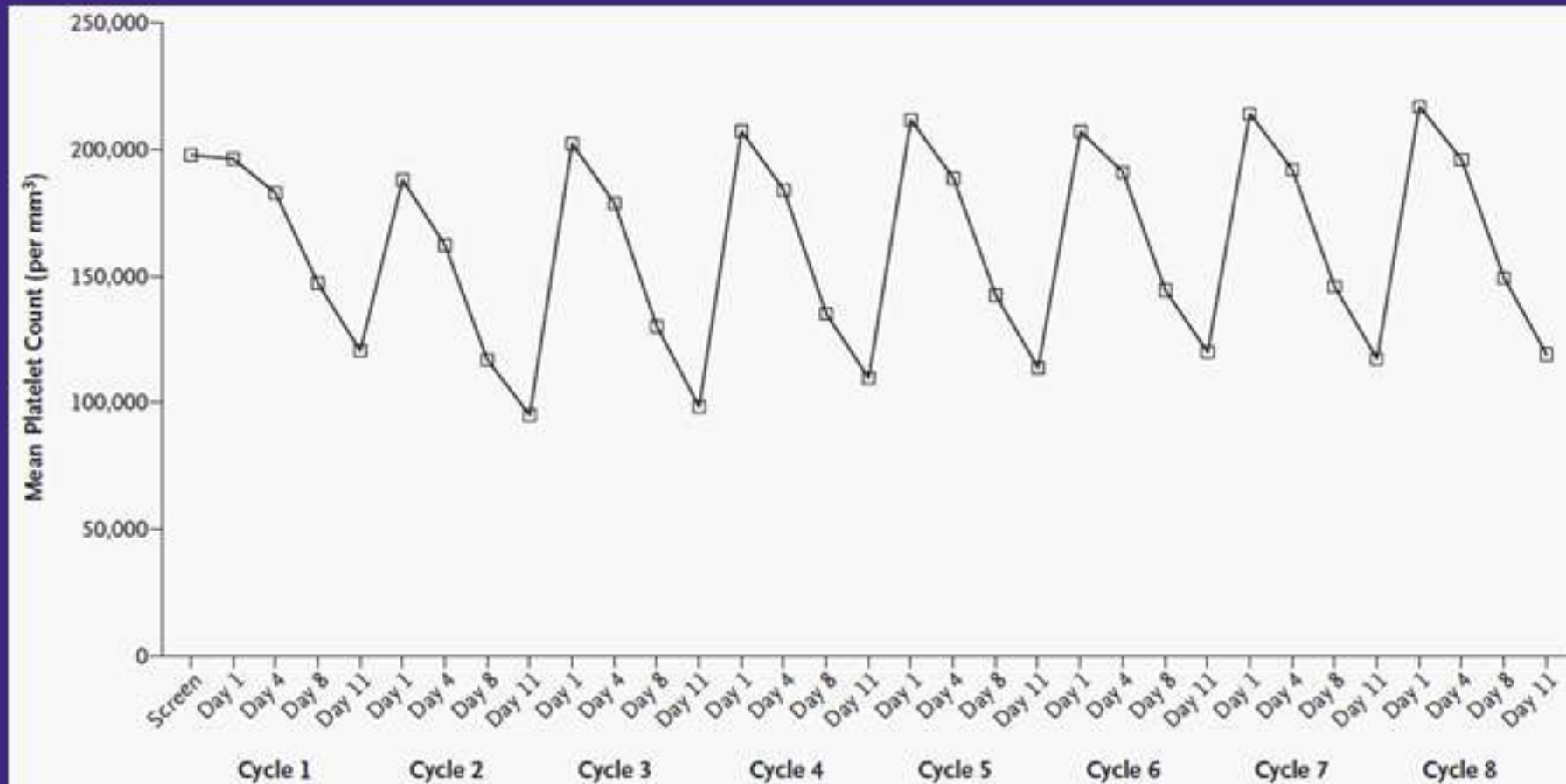


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# Bortezomib & thrombocytopenia



# 2010 ASH Abstract 312

## A Phase 3 Prospective Randomized International Study (MMY-3021) Comparing Subcutaneous and Intravenous Administration of Bortezomib In Patients with Relapsed Multiple Myeloma

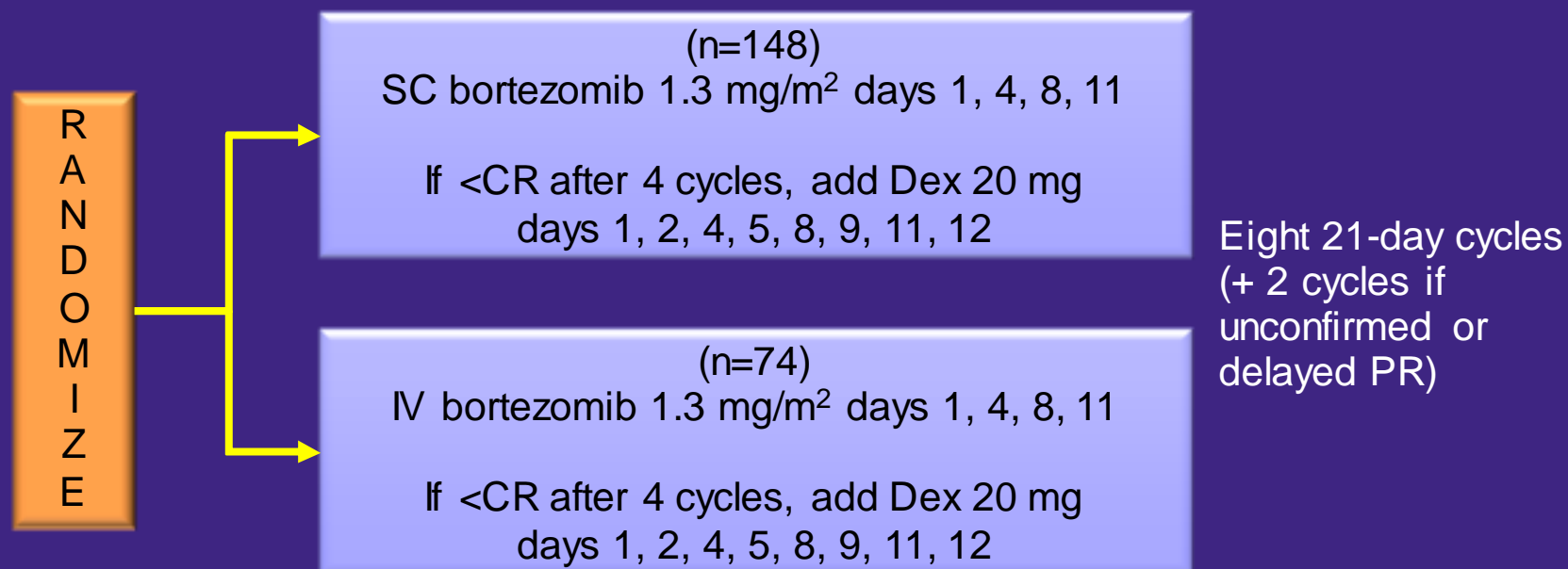
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*Moreau et al. Blood 2010; 116(21): Abstract 312 (oral presentation)*

*Moreau et al. Lancet Oncol 2011 [Epub ahead of print]*

# Study design

Multicenter, international, open-label phase III



- **Non-inferiority design with at least 60% retention of IV treatment effect by primary endpoint**
- **Endpoints: primary – ORR after 4 cycles; secondary – CR, nCR, VGPR after 4 cycles, ORR after 8 cycles (including effect of Dex), DOR, TTP, PFS, 1-year survival, TTR; other – safety, tolerability, PK, PD**
- **Eligibility criteria: relapsed disease, no prior bortezomib, 1-3 prior lines of therapy, no grade  $\geq 2$  PN or neuropathic pain**

*Moreau et al. Blood 2010; 116(21): Abstract 312 (oral presentation)*

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# Peripheral neuropathy

	<b>Bortezomib IV (N=74)</b>	<b>Bortezomib SC (N=148)</b>	<b>p- value</b>
<b>Any PN event, %</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0.04</b>
<b>Grade <math>\geq 2</math>, %</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>Grade <math>\geq 3</math>, %</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.03</b>
<b>Risk factors for PN, %</b>			
<b>Grade 1 PN at baseline</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	
<b>Diabetes at baseline</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	
<b>Exposure to prior neurotoxic agents</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>86</b>	

*Moreau et al. Blood 2010; 116(21): Abstract 312 (oral presentation)*

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# SNPs and bortezomib neuropathy

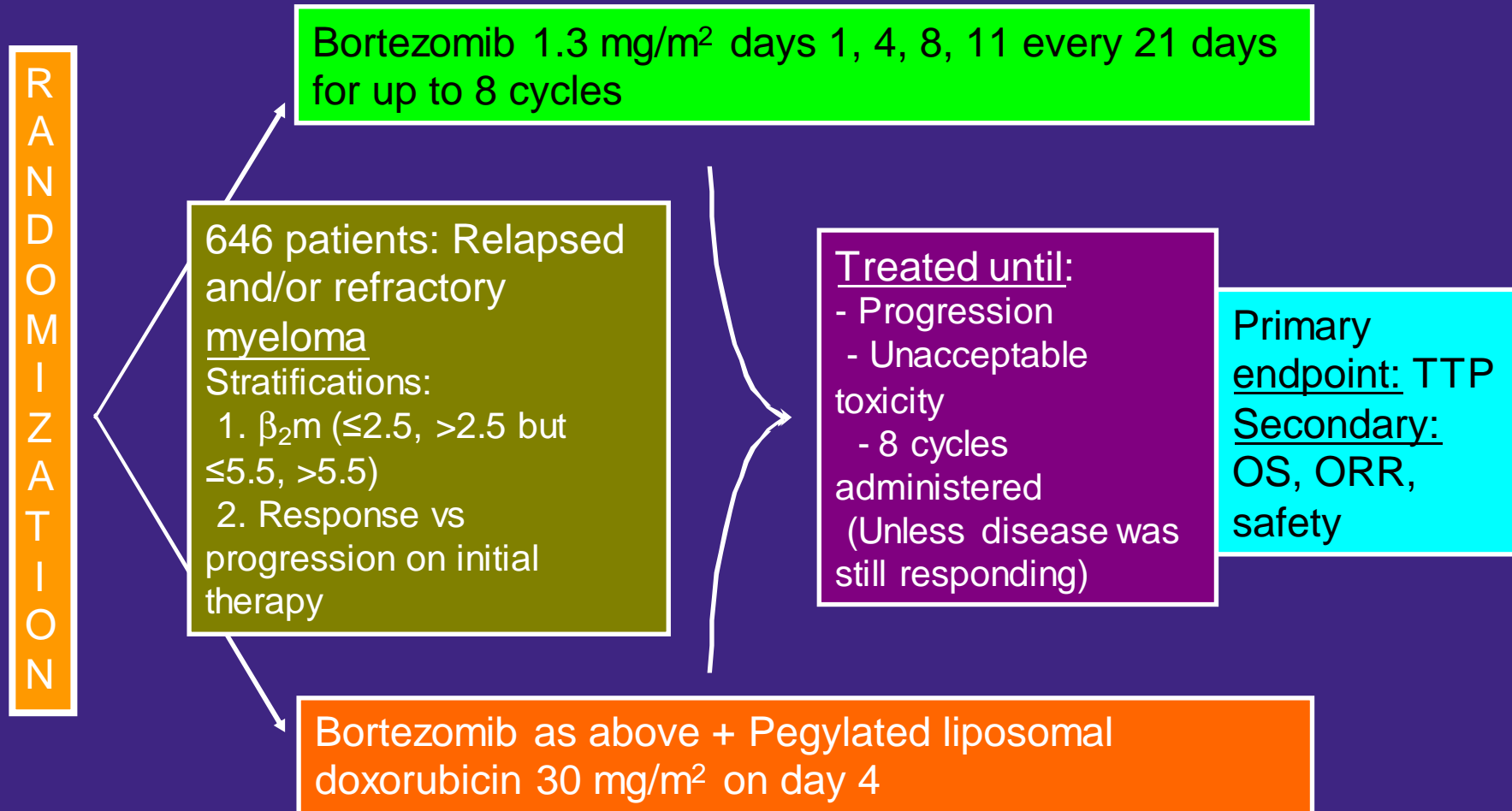
Grade 2-4 peripheral neuropathy (n=15) versus no peripheral neuropathy (n=134) after one cycle of bortezomib				
225189_s_at	RAPH1	Ras association (RalGDS/AF-6) and pleckstrin homology domains 1	2.24	$3.04 \times 10^{-2}$
235014_at	LOC147727	Hypothetical protein LOC147727	2.15	$1.91 \times 10^{-2}$
1569872_a_at	LOC650392	Hypothetical protein LOC650392	1.98	$9.65 \times 10^{-4}$
213056_at	FRMD4B	FERM domain containing 4B	1.74	$8.42 \times 10^{-3}$
227984_at	LOC650392	Hypothetical protein LOC650392	1.71	$1.19 \times 10^{-3}$
225478_at	MFHAS1	Malignant fibrous histiocytoma amplified sequence 1	1.68	$5.34 \times 10^{-9}$
226913_s_at	SOX8	SRY (sex determining region Y)-box 8	1.68	$4.28 \times 10^{-11}$
204810_s_at	CKM	Creatine kinase, muscle	1.67	$1.11 \times 10^{-10}$
1569871_at	LOC650392	Hypothetical protein LOC650392	1.65	$1.77 \times 10^{-19}$
228057_at	DDIT4L	DNA-damage-inducible transcript 4-like	1.59	$5.59 \times 10^{-10}$
Grade 2-4 peripheral neuropathy (n=44) versus no peripheral neuropathy (n=78) after two or three cycles of bortezomib				
205590_at	RASGRP1	RAS guanyl releasing protein 1 (calcium and DAG regulated)	2.97	$2.14 \times 10^{-2}$
204527_at	MYO5A	Myosin VA (heavy chain 12, myoxin)	1.93	$3.21 \times 10^{-2}$
235065_at	--	--	1.57	$3.19 \times 10^{-3}$
205422_s_at	ITGBL1	Integrin, $\beta$ -like 1 (with EGF-like repeat domains)	1.44	$1.35 \times 10^{-3}$
228113_at	RAB37	RAB37, member of RAS oncogene family	1.41	$3.69 \times 10^{-2}$
210321_at	GZMH	Granzyme H (cathepsin G-like 2, protein h-CCPX)	1.37	$3.19 \times 10^{-3}$
226969_at	MTR	5-methyltetrahydrofolate-homocysteine methyltransferase	1.34	$4.26 \times 10^{-2}$
204072_s_at	FRY	Furry homolog (Drosophila)	1.31	$4.94 \times 10^{-2}$
236442_at	DPF3	D4, zinc and double PHD fingers, family 3	1.30	$3.38 \times 10^{-3}$
243329_at	--	--	1.30	$4.26 \times 10^{-2}$

- Different genes in early and late bortezomib-induced PN

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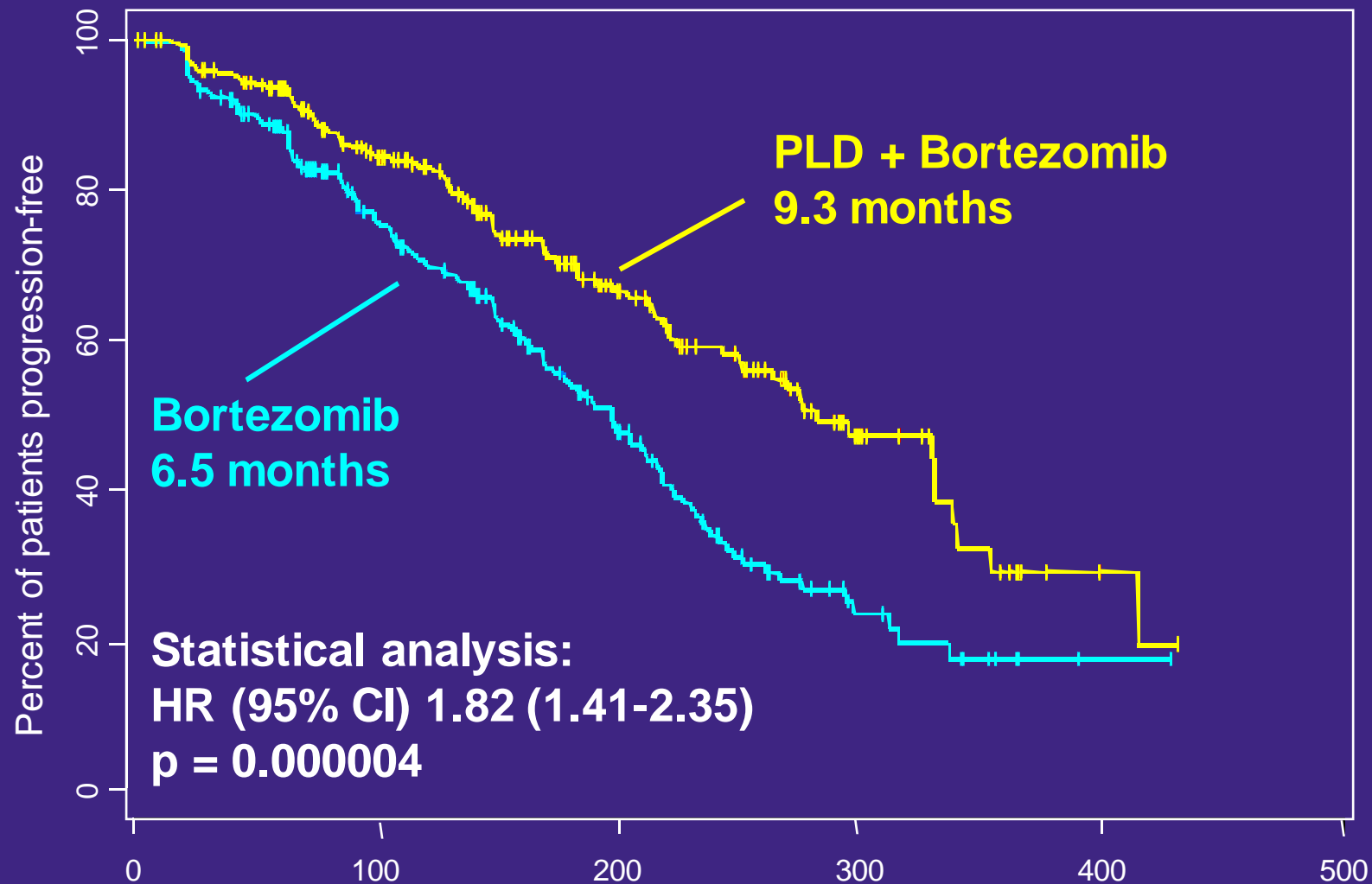
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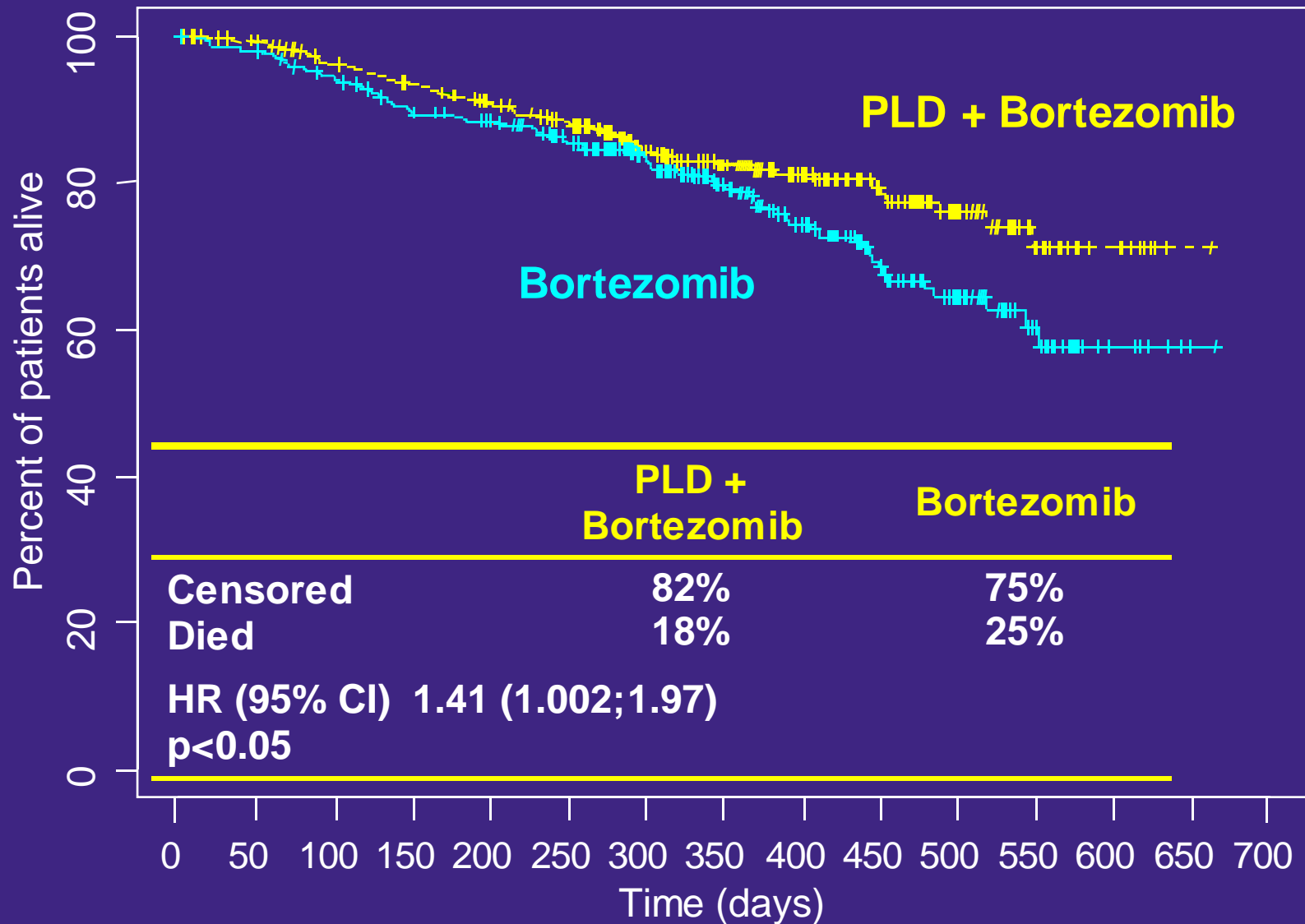




# Time to progression



# Updated overall survival

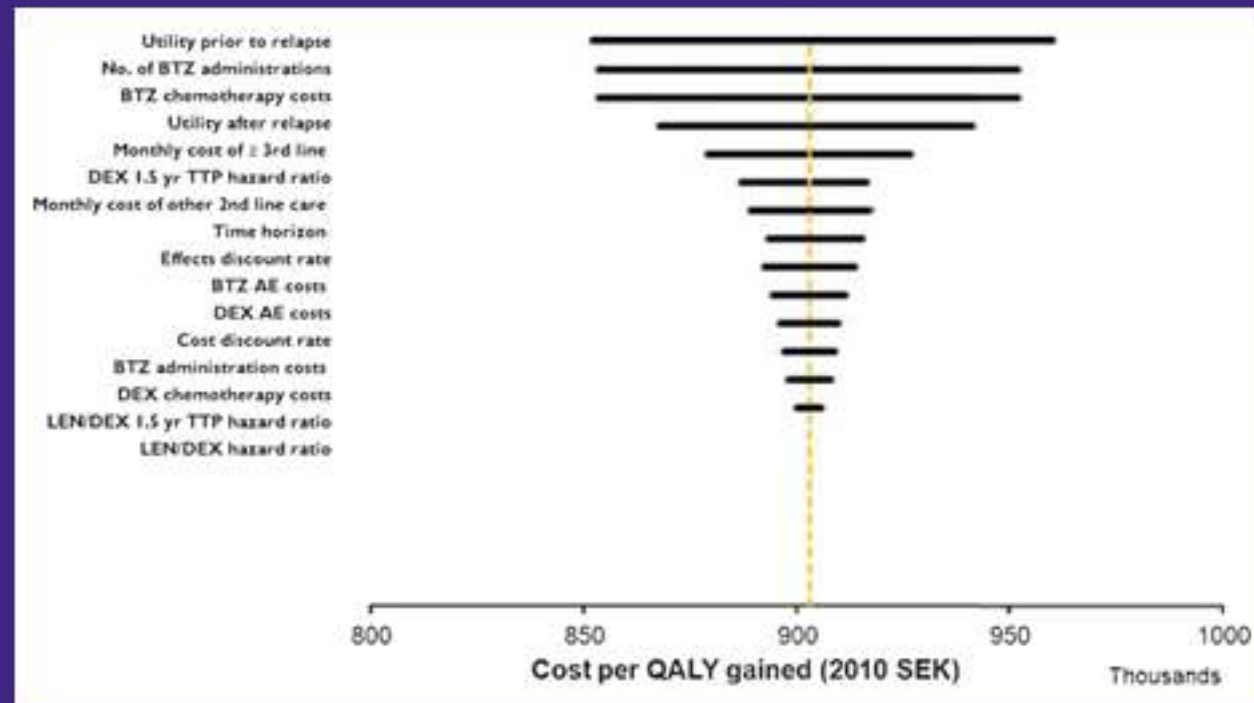


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# Cost per quality-adjusted life years

- Swedish perspective: Bortezomib was cost-effective compared to Dex, and Len/Dex



In relapsed and relapsed/refractory setting

## Other comparisons

- **Cost-effective treatment option for advanced multiple myeloma in comparison to best supportive care or thalidomide<sup>1</sup>**
- **In the front line setting, cost effectiveness found to be “within commonly accepted pharmacoeconomic thresholds”<sup>2</sup>**

<sup>1</sup>Mehta et al. *Manag Care Interface* 2004; 17(9): 52-61

<sup>2</sup>Messori et al. *Pharmacoeconomics* 2011; 29(4): 269-285

# Conclusions

- **Bortezomib highly effective across disease stages and patient subgroups<sup>1-9</sup>**
  - Overcomes many high-risk features
- **Extensive experience to draw upon regarding dosing and side effect management<sup>6,7,10</sup>**
- **Crucial part of our armamentarium as we strive to achieve the best quality disease responses**
  - Anabolic bone effect provide additional benefits<sup>11</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Harousseau et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28(30): 4621-4629

<sup>2</sup>Sonneveld et al. *Blood* 2010; 116(21); Abstract 40 (oral presentation)

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# Improving outcomes for patients not eligible for transplantation

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# Considerations for the treatment of elderly pts

- Relative survival in MM decreases with increasing age<sup>1,2</sup>
  - Advanced age associated with poor outcome using conventional treatments
- Heterogeneous population<sup>1,2</sup>
  - Fit versus frail
  - Comorbidities, e.g. renal function declines with age, cardiac disease, pulmonary dysfunction, metabolic disorders
- Open questions
  - What should be the goal for these pts?
    - Maximal response versus disease stabilization
    - ‘One size fits all’ no longer applies
  - Which regimens and for how long?

<sup>1</sup>Ludwig et al. JCO 2010; 28: 1599-605

<sup>2</sup>Brenner et al. Blood 2008; 111: 2521-2526

# Expanding treatment options in front-line therapy for elderly myeloma pts

## MP + novel agents

- **VMP** (VISTA, PETHEMA, GIMEMA)
- **VMPT-VT** (GIMEMA)
- **VMP-VT/VP** (PETHEMA)
- **MPT** (GIMEMA, IFM, NMSG, HOVON, Turkish study group)
- **MPR-R** (GIMEMA)

## Dex + novel agents

- **Bortezomib/Dex-based** (UPFRONT study)
  - Including VTD
- **Thal/Dex-based** (ECOG, Celgene 003, CEMSG, MRC Myeloma IX)
- **Len/Dex** (ECOG, SWOG others)
- **Len/Bortezomib/Dex** (DFCI)

# Thalidomide-based treatment for elderly pts with newly diagnosed MM

- **MPT vs MP (6 randomized phase III trials)<sup>1-6</sup>**
  - 4/6 studies: PFS benefit
  - 3/6 studies: OS benefit
  - **Meta-analyses and systematic review<sup>7-9</sup>**
    - MPT superior to MP for ORR, CR, PFS, EFS: not OS
- **CTDa vs MP (phase III MRC Myeloma IX trial)<sup>10,11</sup>**
  - CTDa superior for ORR and CR: not PFS or OS
  - Thal maintenance increased PFS: not OS
- **Thal/Dex vs MP (phase III trial)<sup>12,13</sup>**
  - Thal/dex superior for ORR and  $\geq$ VGPR: not PFS or OS
  - Thal/IFN maintenance improved PFS: not OS over IFN

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. *Blood* 2008; 112: 3107-3114

<sup>2</sup>Facon et al. *Lancet* 2007; 370: 1209-1218

<sup>3</sup>Hulin et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2009; 27: 3664-70

<sup>4</sup>Waage et al. *Blood* 2010; 116: 1405-12

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# Lenalidomide-based treatment for elderly pts with newly diagnosed MM

- **Phase III MM-015 study: MPR-R versus MPR versus MP<sup>1</sup>**
  - All pts
    - MPR-R superior to MP for PFS (31 vs 13 mos)
    - MPR and MP comparable PFS (14 vs 13 mos)
    - No difference in OS between arms
  - Pts 65-75 yrs
    - MPR-R superior to MPR and MP for PFS (not reached vs 14.7 mos vs 12.4 mos)
- **Phase III ECOG trial: RD vs Rd<sup>2</sup>**
  - Rd superior to RD for PFS and OS regardless of age group
  - RD associated with higher rate of toxicity
- **Phase I/II: RVD<sup>3</sup>**
  - Phase I/II trial included elderly pts
- **Phase III: MM-020 Rd vs MPT (ongoing)**

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. ASH 2010 (Abstract 622), oral presentation

<sup>2</sup>Vesole et al. ASH 2010 (Abstract 308), oral presentation

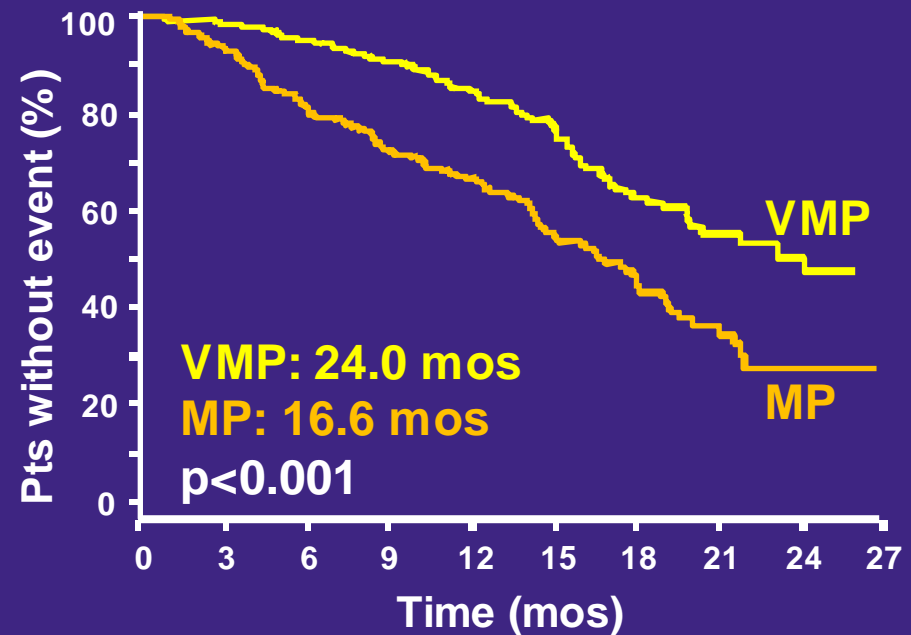
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# Phase III VISTA trial: VMP vs MP

## Response rates

	VMP	MP	p
<b>ORR</b>	71%	35%	<0.001
<b>CR</b>	30%	4%	<0.001

## Time to progression (primary endpoint)

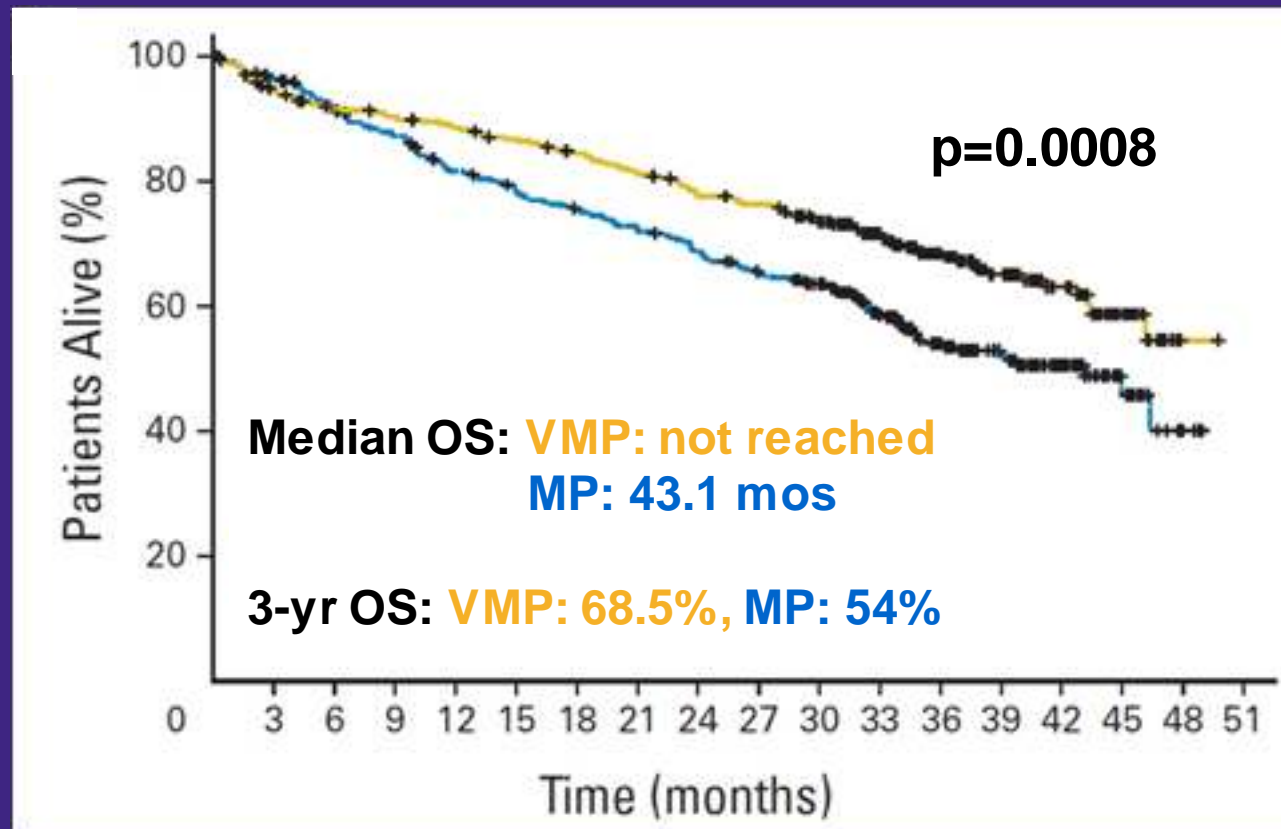


**VMP superior to MP regarding ORR, CR and TTP**



# VISTA: Overall survival

Median follow-up 36.7 mos



Overall survival benefit for VMP versus MP despite 50% of MP pts receiving bortezomib upon progression

*Adapted from: Mateos et al. J Clin Oncol 2010;28(13): 2259-2266*

# VISTA: Subsequent therapies

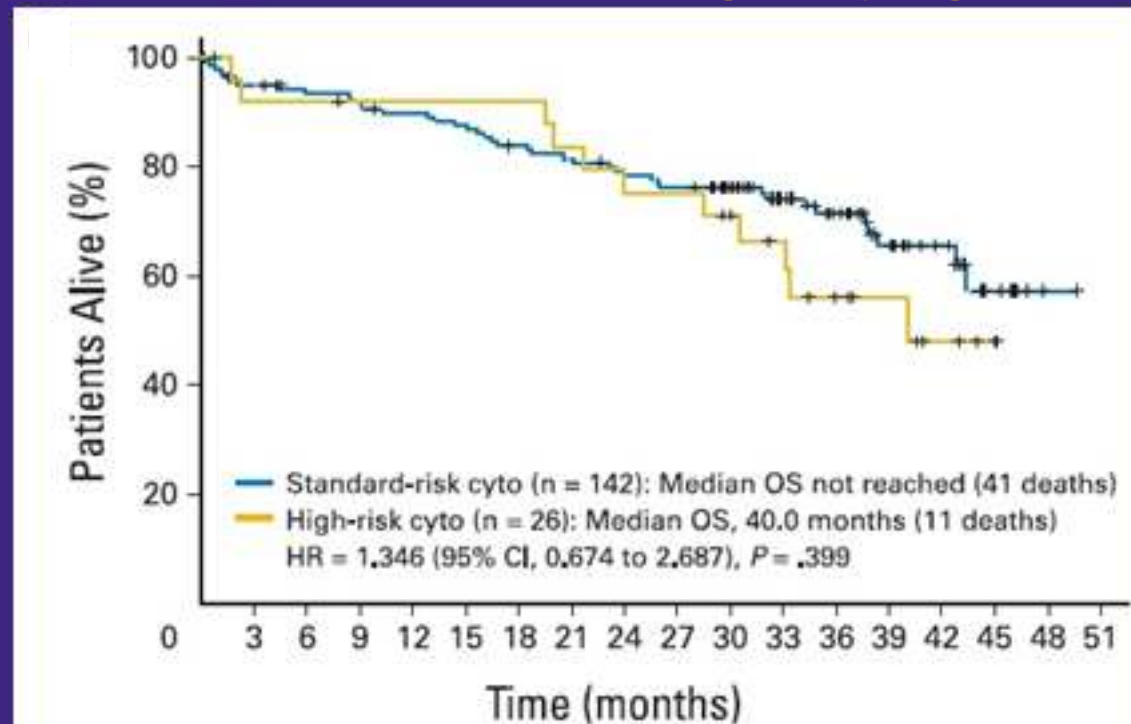
178 (52%) VMP and 233 (69%) MP pts have received subsequent therapy

Subsequent therapy and responses achieved		VMP (n=178)	MP (n=233)
Bortezomib-based therapy		n=43	n=116
	Retreatment	47%	59%
Thalidomide-based therapy		n=81	n=110
	≥PR	41%	53%
Lenalidomide-based therapy		n=57	n=30
	≥PR	59%	52%

**Pts can be successfully treated with subsequent IMiD-based therapy and can also be retreated with bortezomib**

# VISTA subgroup analyses in VMP arm: Cytogenetics

## Overall survival according to cytogenetics



- No difference in OS between pts with standard-risk vs high-risk cytogenetics
- Trend to longer OS in pts with standard-risk cytogenetics

*Mateos et al. J Clin Oncol 2010; 28(13): 2259-2266*

# VISTA subanalysis: Renal impairment

GFR (mL/min)	VMP		MP	
	≤50	>50	≤50	>50
CR+PR (%)	68	72	46	29
CR (%)	31	30	5	3
Median time to first response (mos)	1.0	1.4	3.4	4.9
Median duration of response (mos)	16.9	22.4	12.9	20.5
TTP (mos)	19.9	NE	16.1	18.0
3-yr OS (%)	60.7	76.9	41.5	67.9
Discontinuation due to AE (%)	16	14	18	12
Dose reduction due to AEs (%)				
Bortezomib (%)	50	48	-	-
Second bortezomib reduction (%)	16	19	-	-
Melphalan (%)	23	10	17	11

- Renal impairment reversal: VMP 44%, MP 34%
- In both arms: rates of Gr 4 & 5 AEs & SAEs appeared higher in pts with renal impairment

**VMP is a feasible, active, and generally well-tolerated treatment option for previously untreated pts with MM with moderate renal impairment**

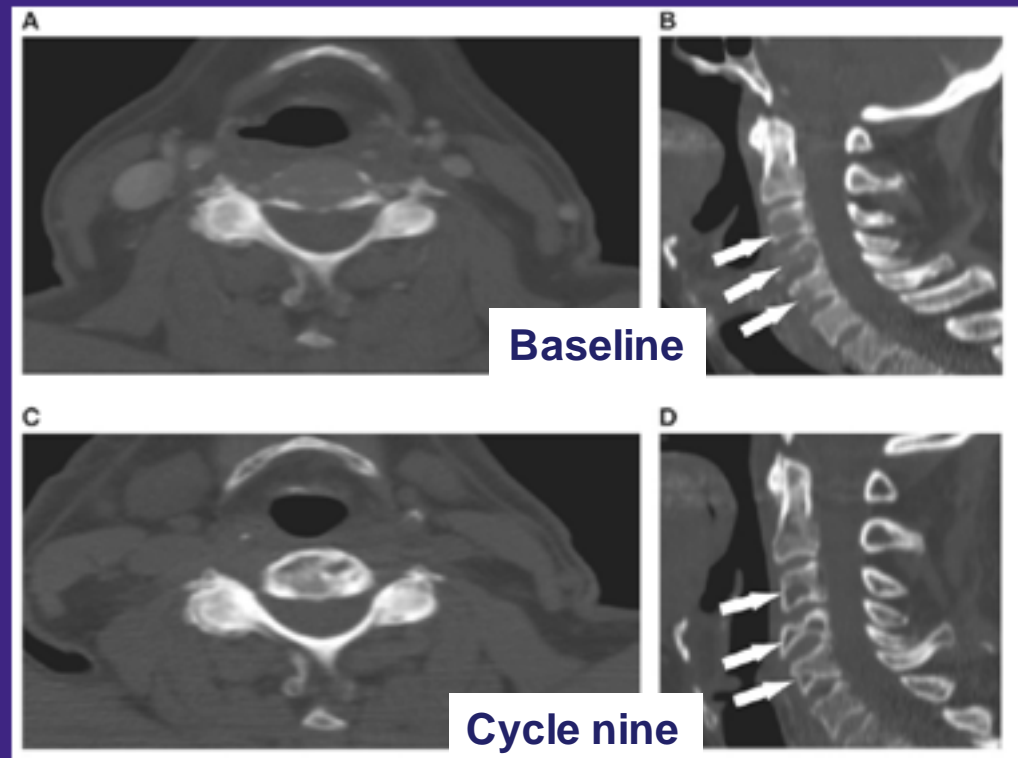
# VISTA subanalysis: Bone disease

- VMP versus MP:
  - Lower rates of bisphosphonate use
  - Lower rate of progression due to worsening bone disease
  - Lower requirement for subsequent radiotherapy
- Bone healing in 6 pts receiving VMP (out of 11 pts with pre- and post-baseline radiologic data)

## CT scans for pt with CR to VMP

C4

Cervical spine



# VISTA: Adverse events (occurring in $\geq 5\%$ of pts)

AE, %	VMP (n=340)		MP (n=337)	
	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 3	Grade 4
Neutropenia	29	11	23	15
Thrombocytopenia	20	18	16	15
Anemia	16	3	20	8
Leukopenia	21	3	16	4
Lymphopenia	14	6	9	2
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	13	<1	0	0
Neuralgia	8	1	<1	0
Fatigue	7	1	2	0
Diarrhea	7	1	1	0
Pneumonia	5	2	4	1
Hypokalemia	6	1	2	1
Asthenia	6	<1	3	0

# Summary: VISTA

- VMP is superior to MP for ORR, CR, TTP<sup>1</sup>
- VMP prolongs OS versus MP<sup>2</sup>
- Retreatment with bortezomib-based therapy after VMP is effective<sup>2</sup>
- Subgroup analyses in VMP arm
  - Comparable OS between pts with standard-risk and high-risk cytogenetics<sup>2</sup>
  - Active and manageable toxicity in pts with moderate renal impairment; reversal of renal impairment in 44%<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>San Miguel et al. *N Engl J Med* 2008; 359(9): 906-917

<sup>2</sup>Mateos et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28(13): 2259-2266

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# Improving on VMP

- Add a 4<sup>th</sup> drug: VMPT<sup>1</sup>
- Change the combination: VTP<sup>2</sup>
- Include maintenance treatment: VT, VP<sup>2</sup>
- Investigate once-weekly administration of bortezomib<sup>1,2</sup>
- Evaluate subcutaneous administration of bortezomib<sup>3</sup>
- Evaluate novel combinations with bortezomib (e.g. lenalidomide)<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. ASH 2010 (Abstract 620), oral presentation

<sup>2</sup>Mateos et al. Lancet Oncol 2010; 11(10): 934-941

<sup>3</sup>Moreau et al. Lancet Oncol 2011 [Epub ahead of print]

<sup>4</sup>Richardson et al. Blood 2010; 116: 679-686



# Phase III: VMPT-VT vs VMP in newly diagnosed elderly pts (GIMEMA)

- Pts** (n=511): >65 yrs old; median age 71 yrs

## VMPT + VT

### 9 x 5-wk cycles:\*

Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, d 1,8,15,22  
Melphalan 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1-4  
Prednisone 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1-4  
Thalidomide 50 mg/d continuously



### Maintenance (until relapse):

Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1, 15  
Thalidomide 50 mg continuously

## VMP

### 9 x 5-wk cycles:\*

Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, d 1,8,15,22  
Melphalan 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1-4  
Prednisone 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1-4



### No maintenance

\*Protocol amendment: from twice-wkly bortezomib dosing (d 1,4,8,11,22,25,29,32) to once-wkly bortezomib dosing (d 1,8,15,22);

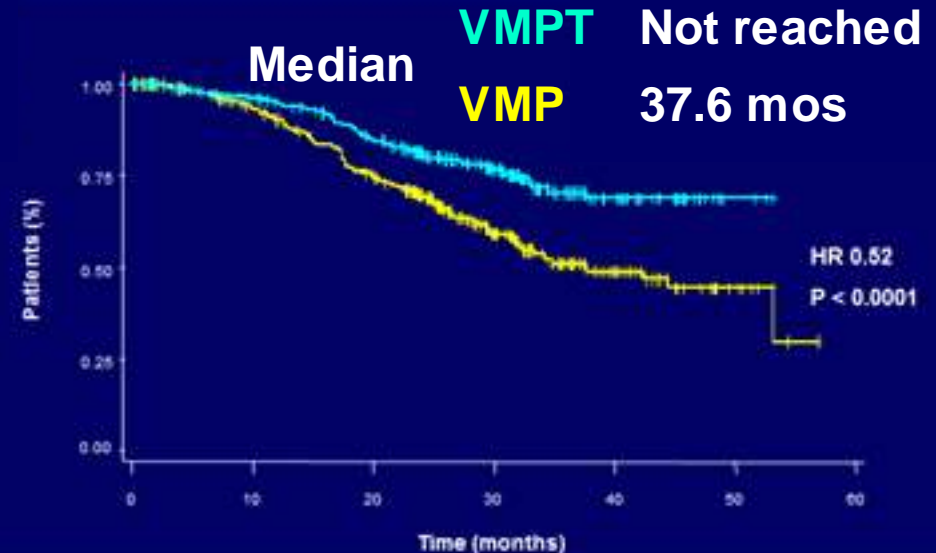
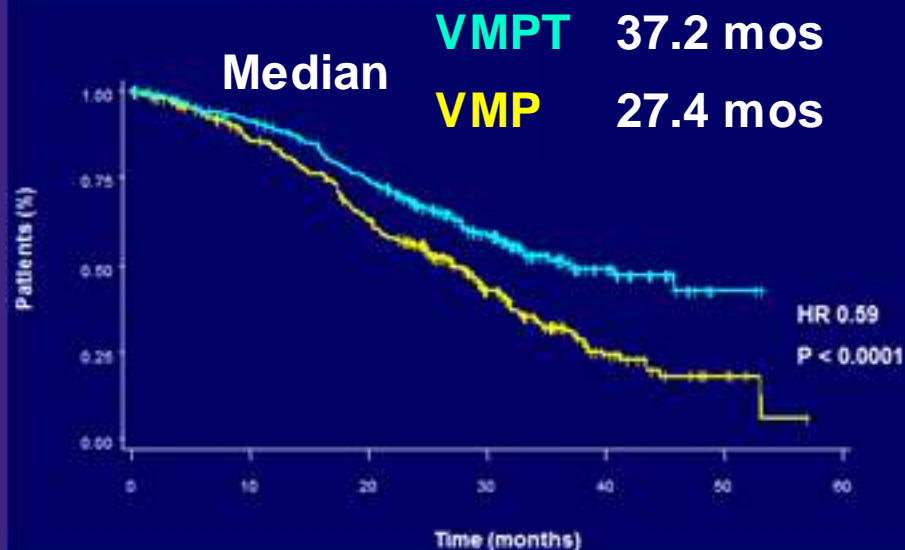
61 pts in VMP arm and 70 pts in VMPT arm received twice-wkly bortezomib dosing.

# Efficacy data

Median follow up: 32 mos

PFS

TTNT



**Landmark analysis after 9 cycles demonstrates impact of maintenance treatment:**

**52% reduced risk of progression with VMPT-VT (HR 0.48, p<0.0001)**

*Palumbo et al. ASH 2010 (Abstract 620), oral presentation*

# Adverse events and treatment discontinuation

## Grade 3/4 Adverse events

	VMPT-VT	VMP
Neutropenia	38%	28%
Thrombocytopenia	22%	20%
Anemia	10%	10%
PN	8%	5%
Infections	13%	9%
Cardiologic	10%	6%
DVT/PE	5%	2%

## Treatment discontinuation

	VMPT-VT	VMP
<b>Discontinuation rate due to AEs</b>		
65-75 yrs	27%	16%
>75 yrs	37%	18%
<b>Median cumulative bortezomib dose</b>		
65-75 yrs	61mg/m <sup>2</sup>	42mg/m <sup>2</sup>
>75 yrs	31mg/m <sup>2</sup>	37mg/m <sup>2</sup>

**Greatest benefit for VMPT-VT in pts 65-75 yrs old**

# Summary

- Addition of 4<sup>th</sup> drug + maintenance (VMPT-VT) improves PFS compared to VMP in pts <75 yrs old
- Reduced-intensity bortezomib dosing improves tolerability (compared to VISTA)
- Toxicity of Thal in elderly remains a challenge
- Validation of combination approach of novel therapies in the elderly

# Phase III: VMP vs VTP in newly diagnosed elderly pts with MM (PETHEMA/GEM study)

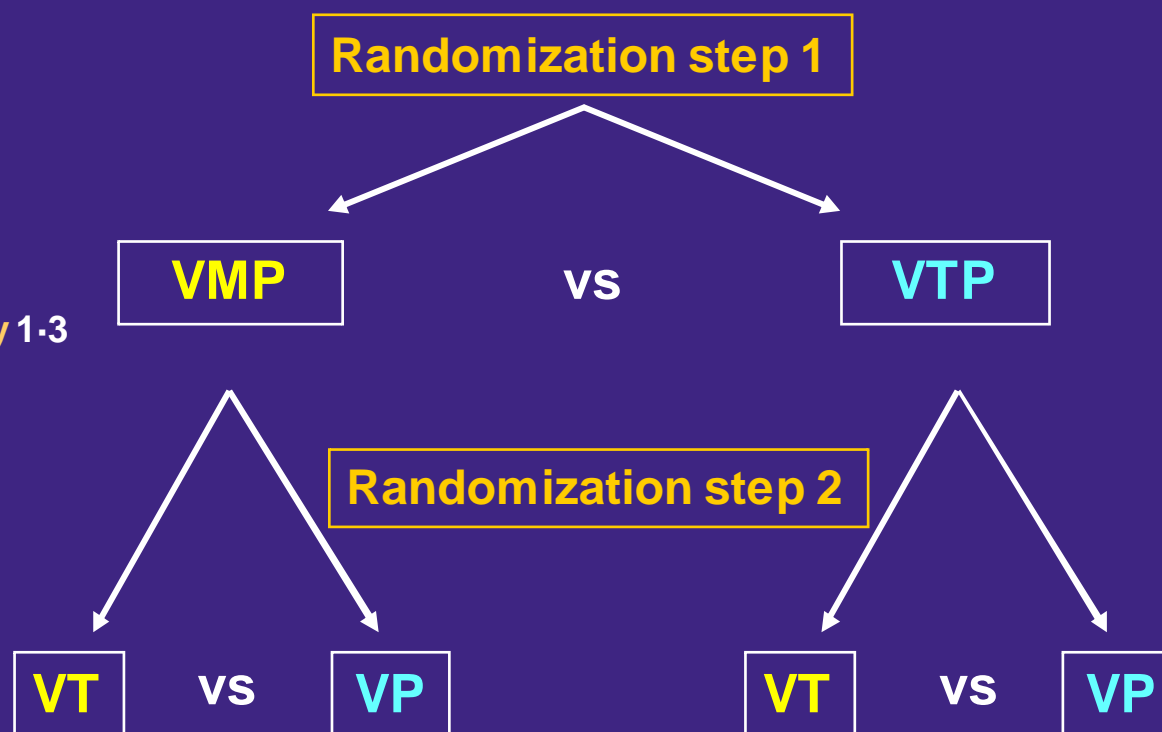
- Pts (n=260),  $\geq 65$  yrs old (median age 73 yrs)
- Multicenter, two-stage randomized trial

## Induction (6 cycles)

- One 6-wk cycle, bortezomib 2x wkly 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1,4,8,11,22,25,29,32 + Mel 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1–4 or Thal 100 mg/d + Pred 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1–4
- Five 5-wk cycles, bortezomib 1x wkly 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1,8,15,22 + same doses of mel or thal and pred

## Maintenance (up to 3 yrs)

Bortezomib: 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d 1, 4, 8, 11 every 3 mos  
+ Thal 50 mg/d  
or Pred 50 mg alternate days



# Response data

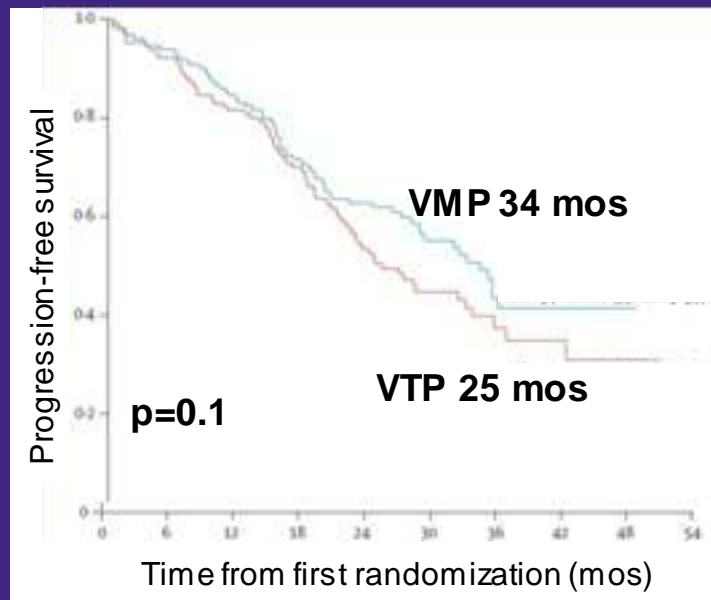
Response to induction		
	VMP (n=130)	VTP (n=130)
ORR	80%	81%
CR IF-	20%	28%
CR IF+	12%	8%
PR	48%	45%
Response to maintenance therapy		
	VT (n=91)	VP (n=87)
CR IF-	44%	39%

- Comparable efficacy with VMP and VTP
- Both maintenance regimens increased CR rate

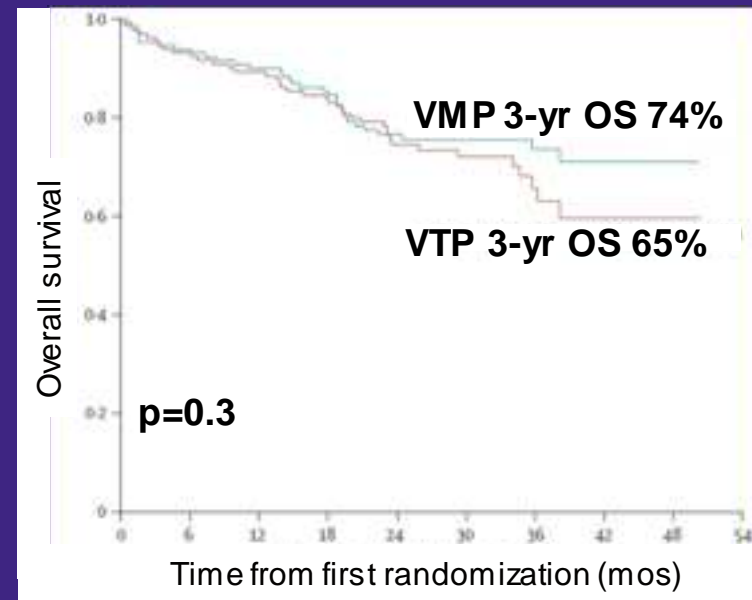
# PFS and OS

- No significant difference in PFS and OS between VMP and VTP groups

## PFS



## OS



- No significant difference in PFS and OS between VT or VP maintenance
  - PFS: VT 32 mos, VP 24 mos,  $p=0.1$
  - OS: HR 1.2, 0.6–2.4

# Efficacy, PFS, OS according to cytogenetic abnormalities

- **High-risk:** t(4;14) ± t(14;16) ± del(17p)
- **Standard-risk:** Absence of t(4;14), t(14;16), del(17p)

	Standard-risk (n=187)	High risk (n=44)	p
CR after induction	26%	26%	n/a
CR after maintenance	45%	39%	n/a
PFS first randomization	33 mos	24 mos	0.01
PFS second randomization	27 mos	17 mos	0.01
3-yr OS from first randomization	77%	55%	0.001
3-yr OS from second randomization	85%	60%	<0.0001



# Adverse events

## Toxicity profile: induction

≥Gr 3 Adverse events	VMP (n=130)	VTP (n=130)	p
Anemia	12%	8%	0.7
<b>Neutropenia</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>0.008</b>
<b>Thrombocytopenia</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>0.0001</b>
<b>Cardiac events</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>0.001</b>
<b>Infections</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0.01</b>
DVT / TE	1%	2%	0.5
PN	7%	9%	0.6
GI toxicity	7%	2%	0.2
<b>SAEs</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>Discontinuation due to SAEs</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>0.03</b>
Deaths	5%	5%	0.8

## Toxicity profile: maintenance

≥Gr 3 Adverse events	VP*	VT*
Anemia	3%	4%
Neutropenia	1%	2%
Thrombocytopenia	1%	1%
GI toxicities	1%	4%
PN	2%	7%
Infections	2%	2%
DVT / TE	0	1%
Cardiac events	1%	2%
Discontinuation due to AEs	5%	8%
Deaths	1%	1%

\*No significant difference in incidences between arms

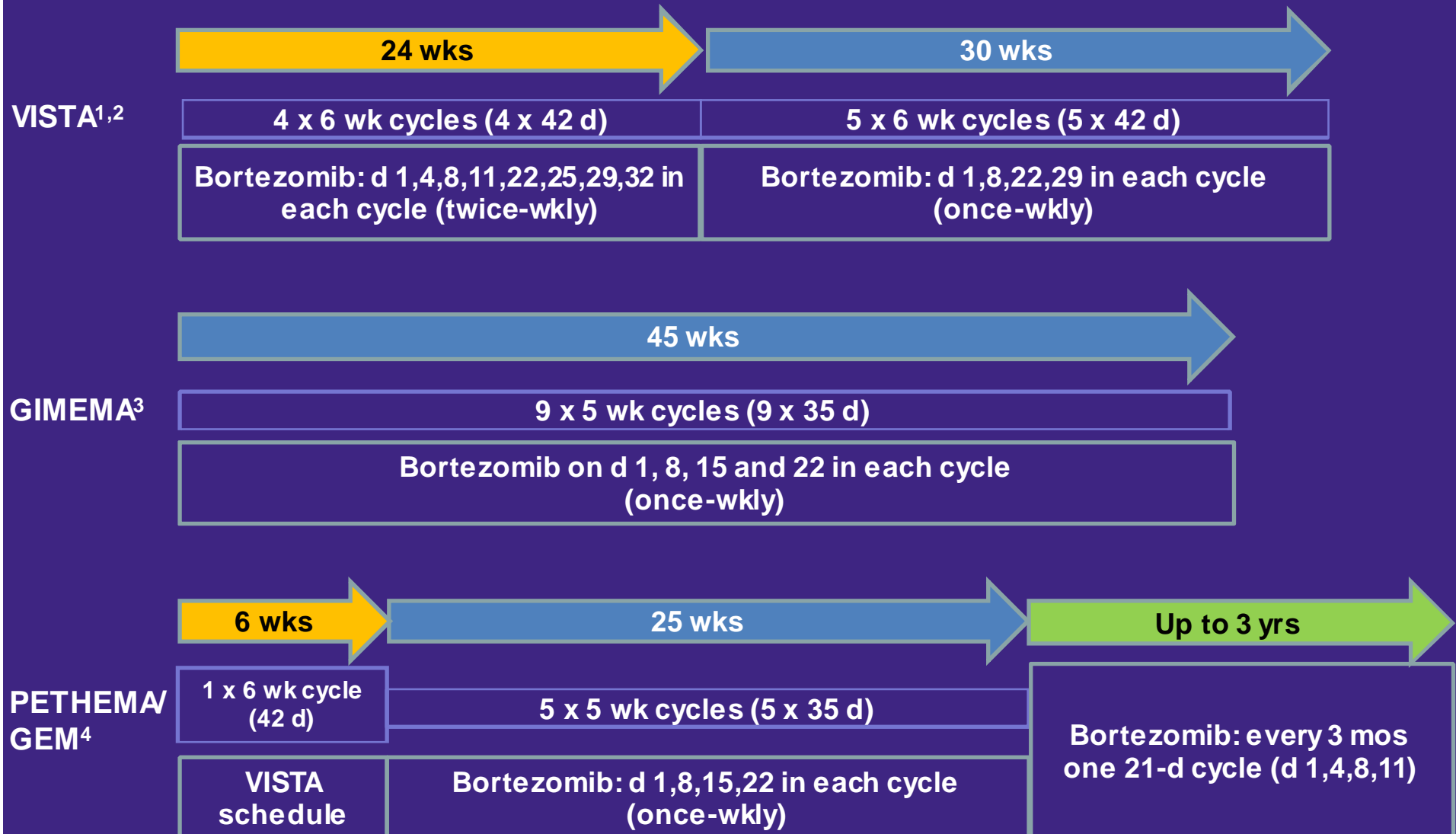
More SAEs and discontinuations with VTP

*Adapted from: Mateos et al. Lancet Oncol 2010; 11(10): 934-941*

# Summary

- Addition of maintenance (VT or VP) improves PFS
- Reduced-intensity bortezomib dosing followed by maintenance improves tolerability (compared to VISTA)
- VMP better tolerated than VTP for non-hematological toxicity
- VMP followed by VT:
  - Preferred approach?
  - Optimal wkly bortezomib schedule in induction (esp. high-risk); in maintenance (q 3mos vs q 2wks)?

# Overview of VMP schedules in phase III trials



<sup>1</sup>San Miguel et al. *NEJM* 2008; 359: 906-917

<sup>2</sup>Mateos et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28: 2259-2266

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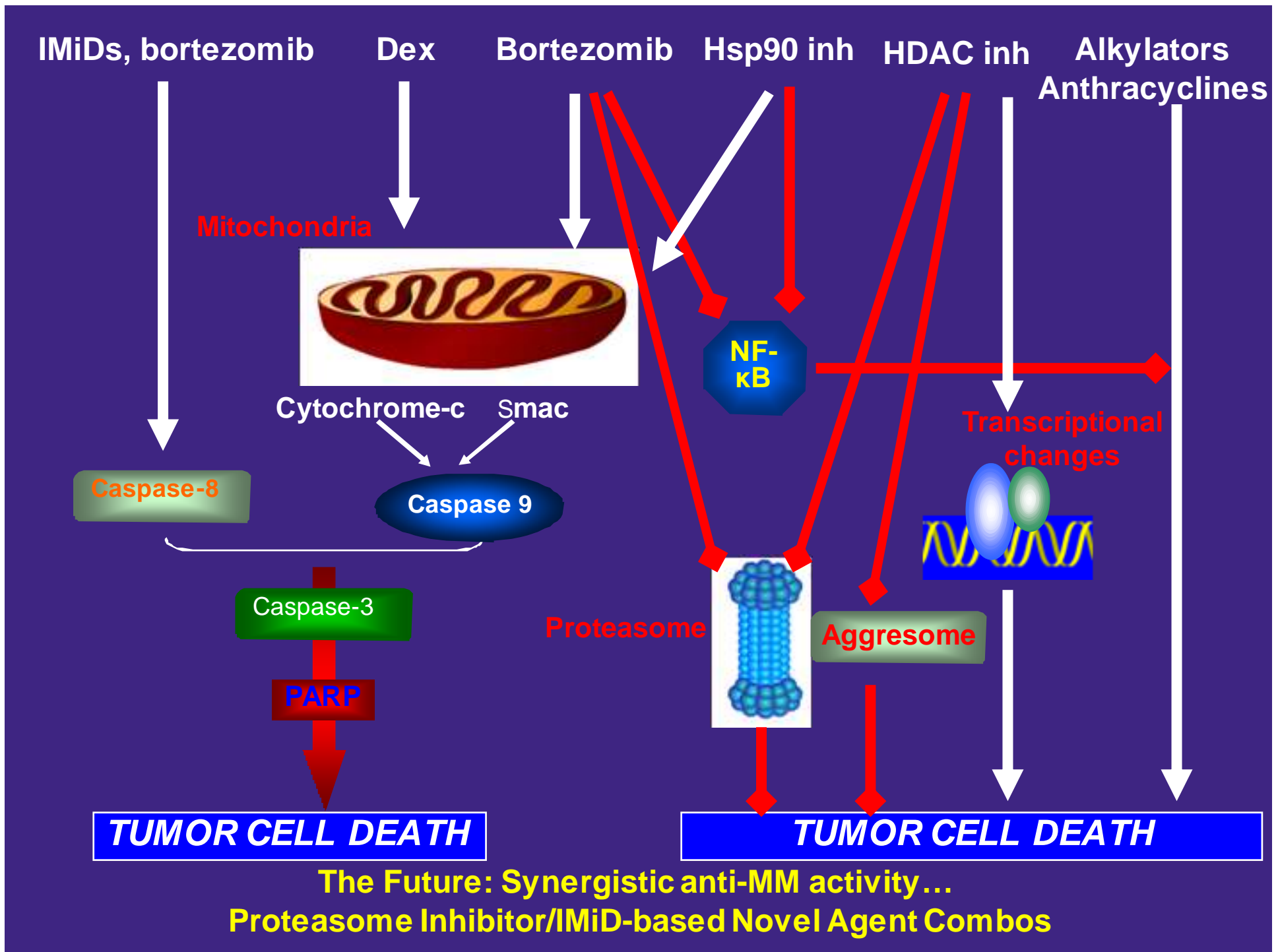
# Flexible dosing: Comparable efficacy with improved tolerability

Study details	Efficacy				Sensory PN		Discont. due to PN	Discont. due to AEs overall
	ORR	CR	Median PFS	3-yr OS	All grades	Grade 3/4		
<b>VMP with twice-wkly bortezomib administration</b>								
<b>VISTA<sup>1-3</sup></b>	71%	30%	21.7m	68.5%	44%	13%	15%	34%
<b>VMP with once-wkly bortezomib administration</b>								
<b>GIMEMA<sup>4,5</sup></b>	79%	23%	27m	87%	22%	2%	4%	17%
<b>PETHEMA/GEM<sup>6</sup></b>	80%	20%	34m	74%	NR	7%	NR	12% <sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup>Discontinuations  
due to SAEs

1. San Miguel et al. *NEJM* 2008; 359: 906-917
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# Phase I/II: Lenalidomide, bortezomib, dex (RVD) in newly diagnosed MM

- **Treatment**

- 8 x 3-wk cycles: Lenalidomide, bortezomib, dex then maintenance (ASCT optional)

- **Results**

- N=66 (median age 58 yrs, range 22-86)
- MTD Len 25 mgs; Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup>; dex 20 mgs
- Best response to treatment (median 10 cycles of treatment):

	All pts (n=66)	Phase 2 population (n=35)
CR	29%	37%
≥nCR	39%	57%
≥VGPR	67%	74%
≥PR	100%	100%

- Median follow-up: 21 mos

- Median PFS & OS not reached
- 18-mos PFS 75%
- 18-mos OS 97%

- Most common AEs:

- Sensory PN, fatigue, constipation
- Gr 3 PN: 7% (no Gr 4 PN)
- Overall rate of DVT/PE: 6%
- No treatment-related mortality

# Conclusions/Future Directions:

- Three large phase III trials demonstrate substantial efficacy of VMP and VMP-based regimens<sup>1,2,5,6</sup>
  - VISTA<sup>1,2</sup>
    - Unprecedented CR rates, improvement in TTP, PFS and OS compared to MP<sup>1,2</sup>
    - Efficacy in specific subgroups: cytogenetic abnormalities, renal impairment, positive impact on bone disease<sup>2,3,4</sup>
  - GIMEMA & PETHEMA trials<sup>5,6</sup>
    - Prolonged treatment / addition of maintenance therapy associated with PFS benefit
    - Weekly bortezomib (Bz) dosing improves tolerability
- Newer combinations: bortezomib/lenalidomide based (RVD “lite”)
- Future directions: SubQ, weekly administration of Bz, addition of other novel agents (eg second generation PI3, HDAC inhibitors, other small molecules, 3<sup>rd</sup> generation IMiDs, MoAbs)

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<sup>5</sup>Palumbo et al. *ASH 2010 (Abstract 620)*, oral presentation

<sup>6</sup>Mateos et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; 11(10): 934-941

# Future Directions (Continued)



- Tailored approach to therapy:
  - Identify groups of pts in whom combinations are required versus pts in whom doublets and/or sequences should be used
  - Use of GEP, Proteomics
  - Risk adaptation



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# Optimizing Patient Outcomes Through Individualized Treatment Approaches: Phase III Data

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# The impact of proteasome inhibition in the transplant setting

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# Improving outcomes in ASCT eligible patients with novel agents

Goals of incorporating novel agents in induction and post-transplant regimens

- **Induction**
  - Improve CR rates pre-transplant
    - Association between depth of response and OS with novel agents seen in a number of studies<sup>1-4</sup>
- **Post-transplant therapy**
  - Consolidation: improve depth of response
  - Maintenance: maintain response

<sup>1</sup>Morgan et al. *Blood* 2009; 114(22); Abstract 352 (oral presentation)

<sup>2</sup>Morgan et al. *Clin. Lymphoma & Myeloma* 2009; 9 (suppl 1): Abstract A546 (oral presentation)

<sup>3</sup>Moreau et al. *Blood* 2011; 117(11): 3041-3044

<sup>4</sup>Cavo et al. *Lancet* 2010; 376(9758): 2075-2085



# Bortezomib as part of induction regimens

- **Bortezomib/dex (IFM 2005/01 trial)**
  - Bortezomib/dex induction superior to VAD<sup>1</sup>
    - Significantly higher  $\geq$ nCR and  $\geq$ VGPR rates post-induction and post-transplant
    - Superior PFS
    - Prolonged 3-year OS
  - Bortezomib/dex could be considered the backbone of induction regimens before high-dose therapy<sup>2</sup>
- **Combinations based on bortezomib/dex**
  - VCD, PAD, VTD, VTDC, VRD

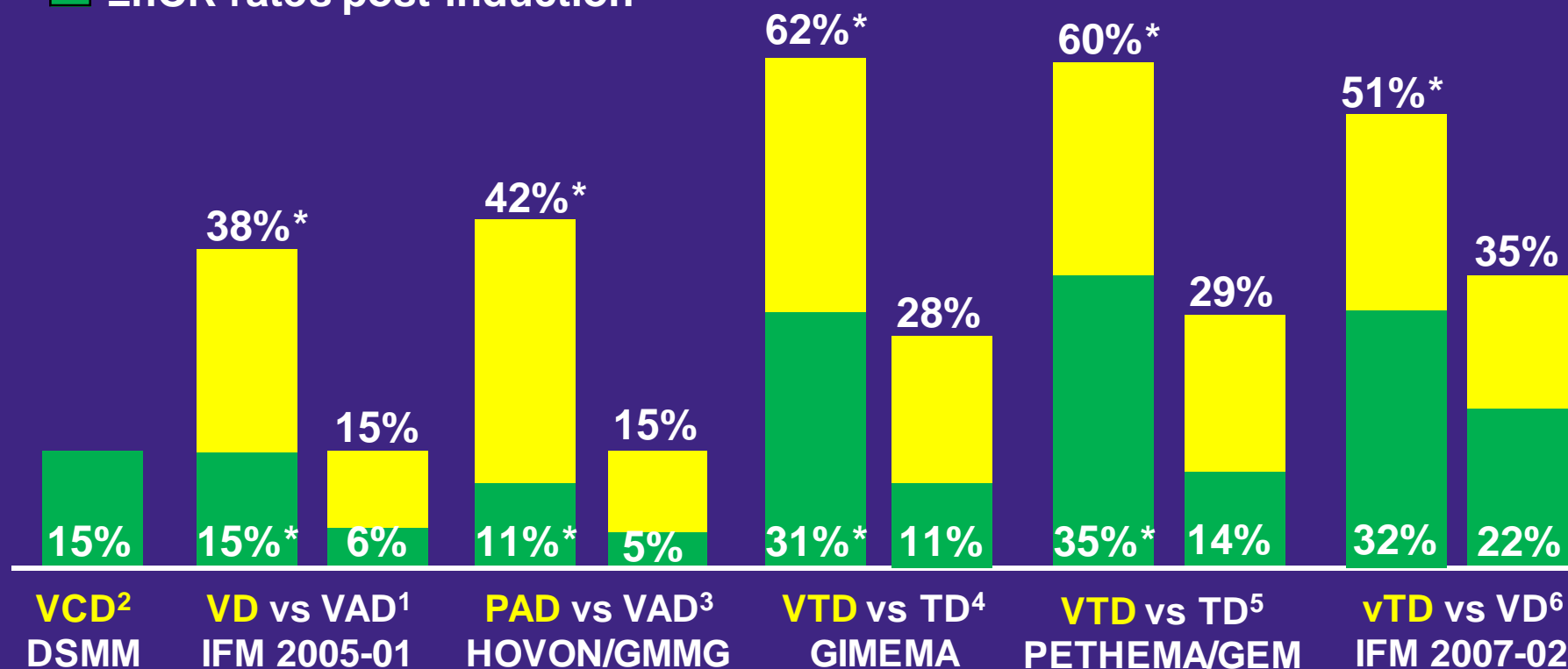
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# Significant improvement in **post-induction** CR/nCR and VGPR rates with bortezomib-based induction regimens

■ ≥VGPR rates post-induction

■ ≥nCR rates post-induction



\*significant difference between arms

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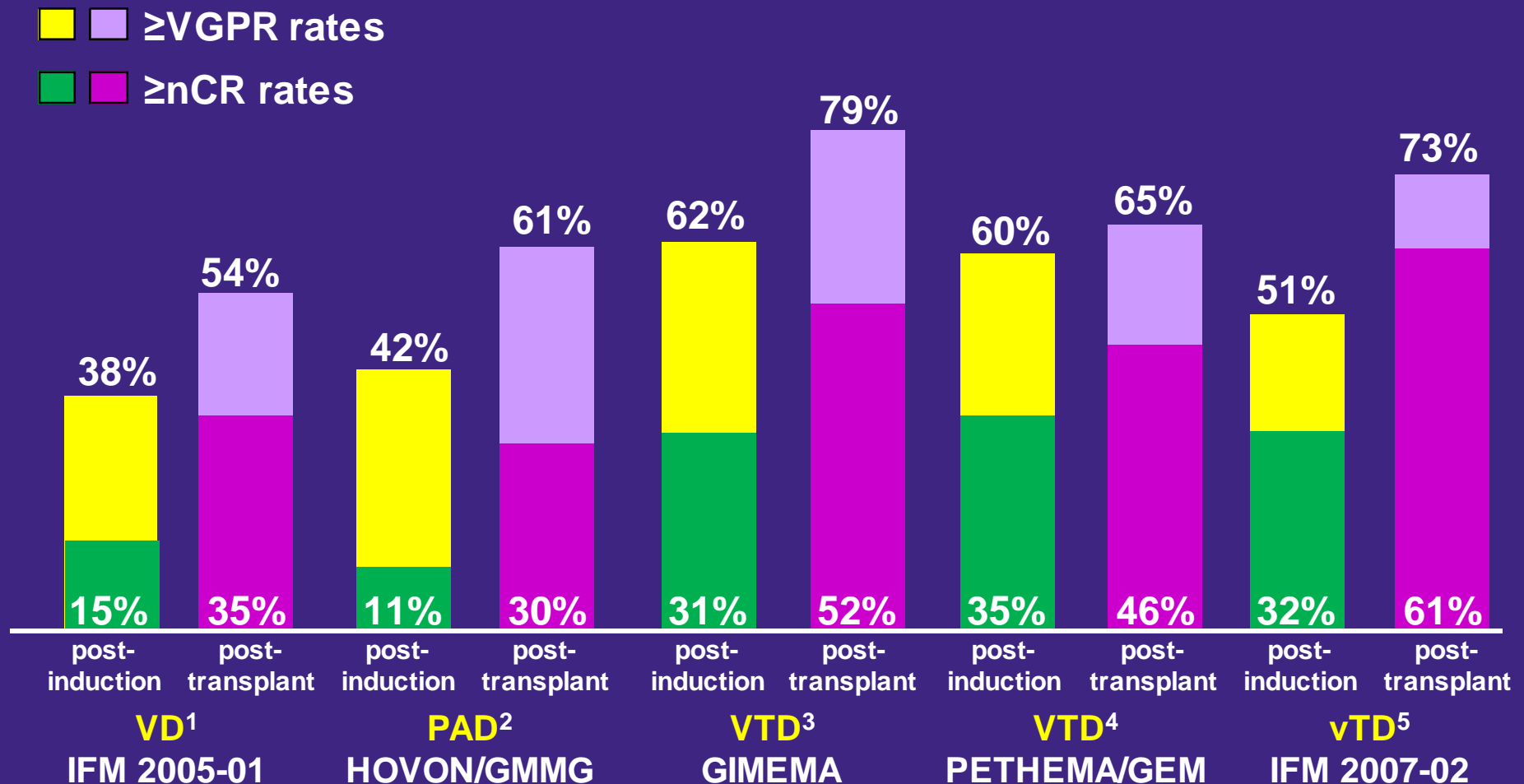
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# Significant improvement in **post-induction** and **post-transplant** CR/nCR and VGPR rates with **bortezomib-based induction regimens**



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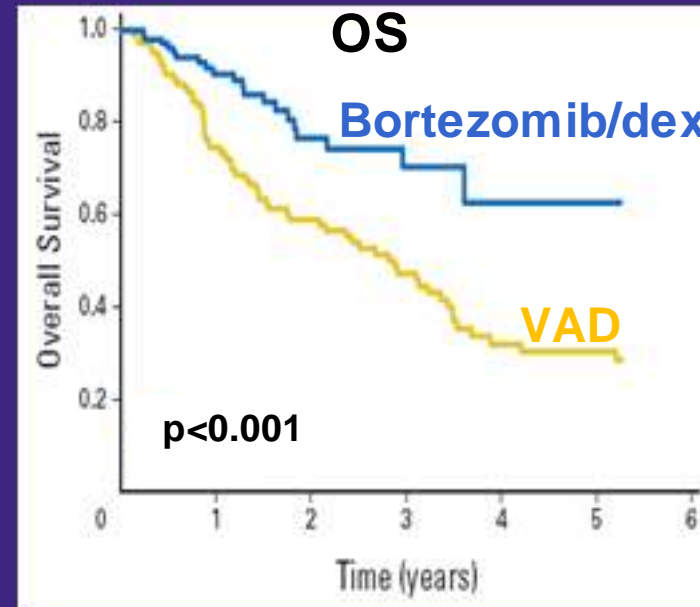
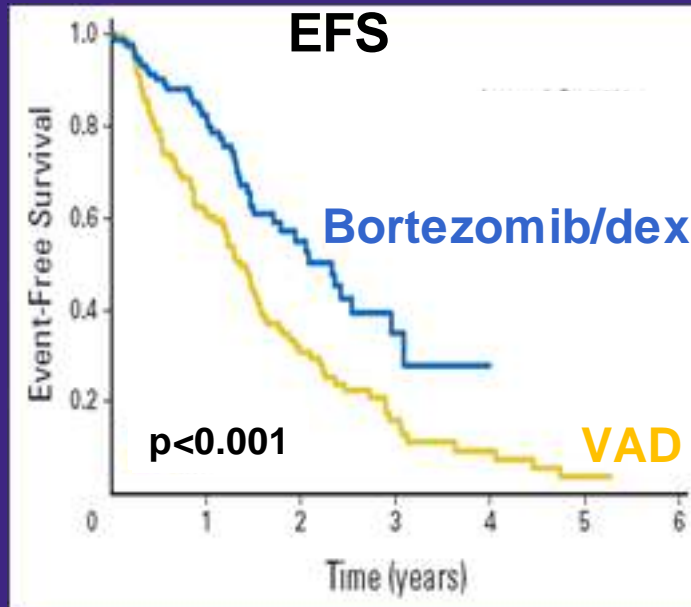
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# Bortezomib regimens in the presence of cytogenetic abnormalities

Impact of t(4:14) in phase III IFM 2005/01 trial: Bortezomib/dex vs VAD<sup>1</sup>



For del(17p):

- Bortezomib/dex does not improve outcome<sup>1</sup>
- Bortezomib partly overcomes poor risk conferred by del(17p)<sup>2,3</sup>

Other trials support cytogenetics data<sup>4-6</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Avet-Loiseau et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010;28:4630-4634

<sup>2</sup>Sonneveld et al. *Blood* 2010; 116(21); Abstract 40 (oral presentation)

<sup>3</sup>Neben K et al. *Blood* 2010;116(21); Abstract 305 (oral presentation)

<sup>4</sup>Cavo et al. *Lancet* 2010; 376(9758):2075-2085

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# Summary: Induction

- **Aim of induction: achieve high CR rate prior to transplant**
- **Effective three-drug regimens based on bortezomib/dex backbone: VCD, PAD, VTD**
  - **Significant improvements in CR/nCR rates post-induction and post-transplant<sup>1-6</sup>**
  - **Efficacy improved compared to conventional regimens in the presence of some high-risk cytogenetic features<sup>1-7</sup>**

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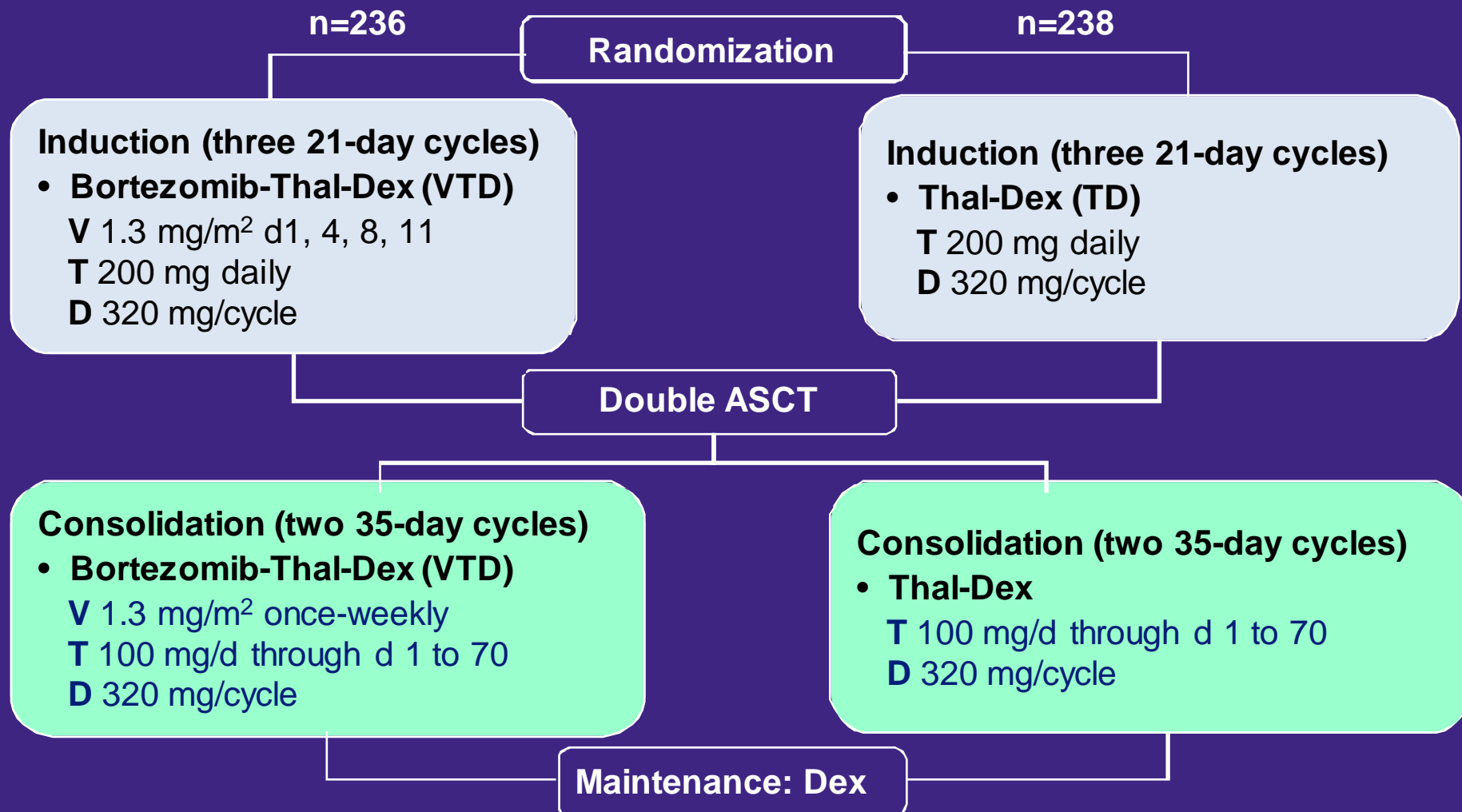
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<sup>7</sup>Avet-Loiseau et al. *JCO* 2010; 28: 4630-4

# **Bortezomib as consolidation or maintenance treatment**

# Phase III: VTD vs TD as induction and consolidation (GIMEMA study)



# Response data

Efficacy	VTD	TD	p
<b>Induction</b>			
≥nCR	31%	11%	<0.0001
<b>After first ASCT</b>			
≥nCR	52%	31%	<0.0001
<b>After double ASCT</b>			
≥nCR	55%	41%	0.002
<b>After consolidation</b>			
≥nCR	62%	45%	0.0002

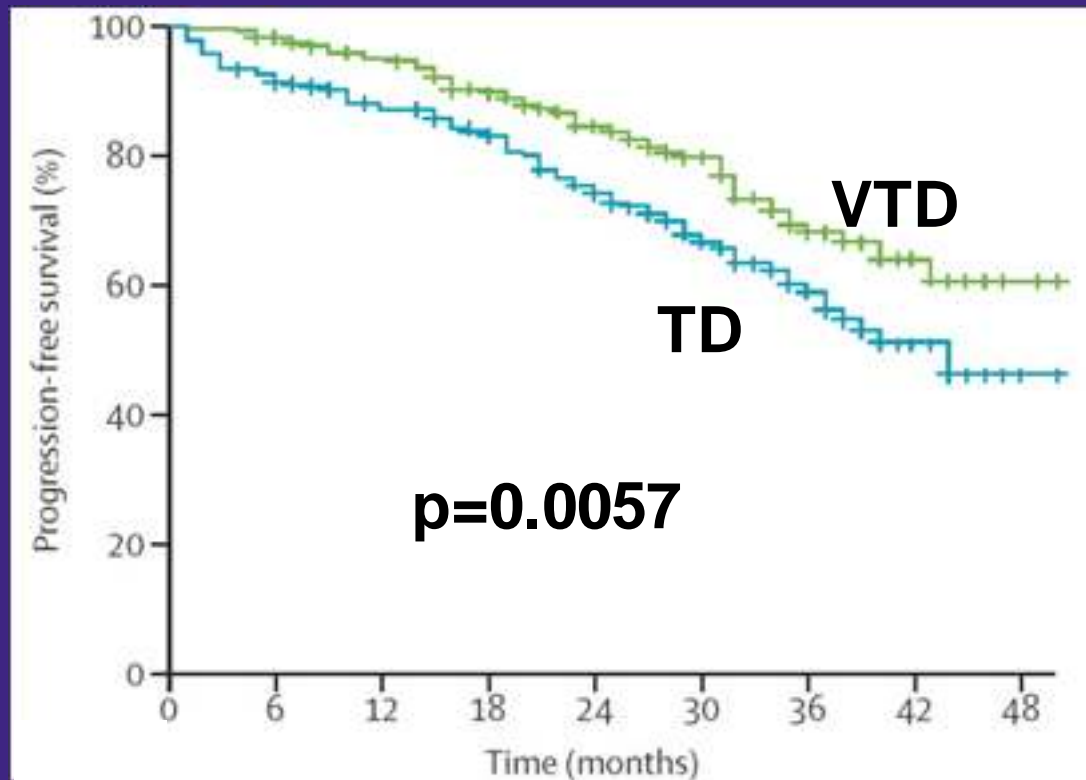
**VTD consolidation increases rate of ≥nCR**

*Cavo et al. Blood 2010; 116(21); Abstract 42 (oral presentation)  
Cavo et al. Lancet 2010; 376(9758):2075-2085*

# Progression-free and overall survival

Median follow-up: 36 months

**PFS**



**Estimated 3-year OS**

- VTD 86%
- TD 84%

**Significant PFS benefit with VTD compared to TD**

*Cavo et al. Blood 2010; 116(21); Abstract 42 (oral presentation)*  
*Cavo et al. Lancet 2010; 376(9758): 2075-2085*

# Achieving molecular remission with VTD consolidation following transplant

- n=66 with  $\geq$ nCR after ASCT, treated with 2 cycles VTD or TD

Efficacy (n=66)	VTD	TD	p
Pre-consolidation (day 0) PCR negativity	39%	31%	0.062
Post-consolidation (day +70) PCR negativity	64%	48%	0.007
Reduction in tumor burden post-consolidation (day +70) (real-time quantitative PCR)	Median 5 log reduction	Median 1 log reduction	0.05

**VTD consolidation significantly reduced tumor burden compared to TD as detected by PCR**

# Phase III: bortezomib consolidation versus observation following ASCT (Nordic Myeloma Study Group [NMSG 15/05] trial)

Induction (no bortezomib) + single or double ASCT (n=404)



Randomization (3 months post-ASCT)

**Bortezomib (n=168)**

**1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV**

**Two 3-week cycles: days 1, 4, 8, 11**

**+**

**Four 4-week cycles: days 1, 8, 15**

**(total 20 injections over 21 weeks)**

**Observation (n=162)**

**Updated study data to be presented by Dr. Mellqvist on Friday at 11:45  
(Plenary Abstract Session II)**

*Mellqvist et al. Blood 2009; 114(22); Abstract 530 (oral presentation)*

# Phase III: bortezomib consolidation versus observation following ASCT (NMSG 15/05)

Preliminary results for 330 patients

	Bortezomib (n=168)	Observation (n=162)	p
<b>Post-ASCT</b>			
CR/nCR (%)	20	19	
<b>Post-consolidation (6-months post-randomization)</b>			
CR/nCR (%)	49	33	<0.01
Relapse during initial 6 months (%)	6	12	0.08

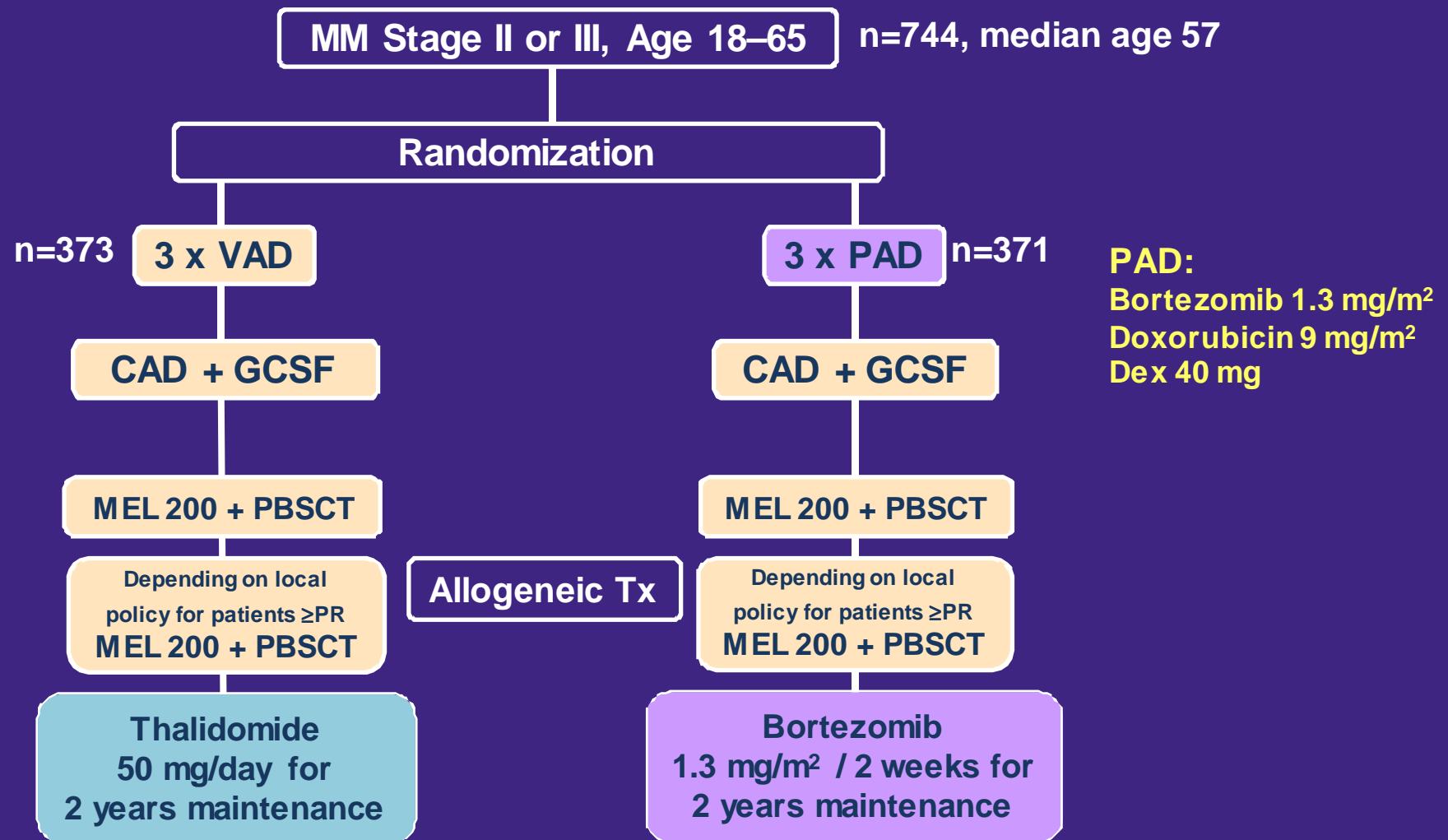
Consolidation with single agent bortezomib improves response after ASCT

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# Phase III: PAD vs VAD induction, HDM and bortezomib or thalidomide maintenance

## HOVON 65 MM / GMMG-HD4 study



# Achievement of best response during maintenance therapy (%)

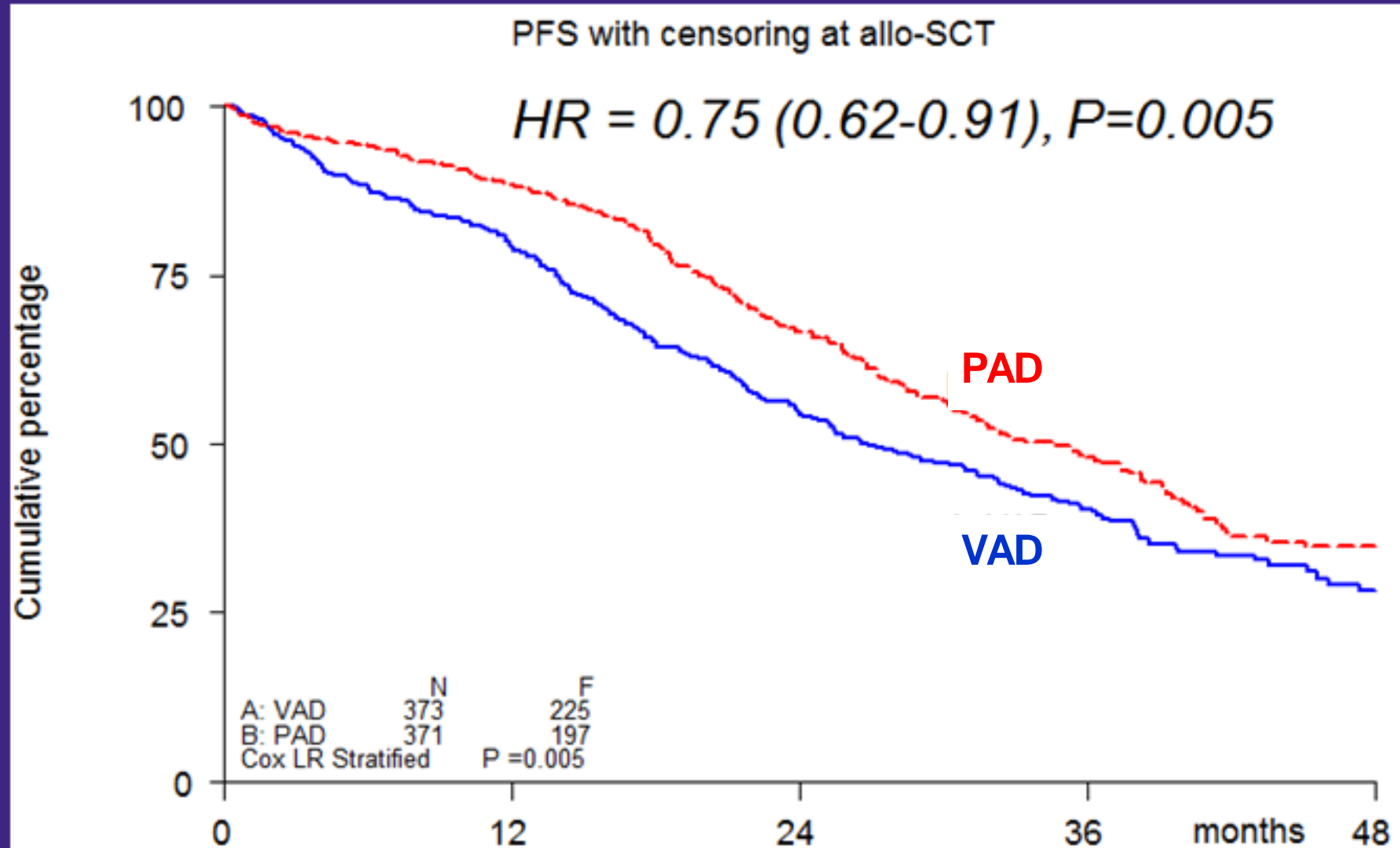
	Thalidomide arm	Bortezomib arm
<b>Response after HDM (%)</b>		
≥PR	77	88
≥VGPR	36	61
≥nCR	15	33
<b>Improvement of response during maintenance</b>		
<PR → PR	4	1
<VGPR → VGPR	13	11
<nCR → nCR	12	13
<CR → CR	10	12

# Adverse effects during 2 years of maintenance treatment

WHO CTC grade	VAD (%)		PAD (%)	
	2	3-4	2	3-4
Infections	35	18	40	24
GI	10	7	19	4
Neurotoxicity (PN)	26	15	14	9
Constitutional	24	2	14	2

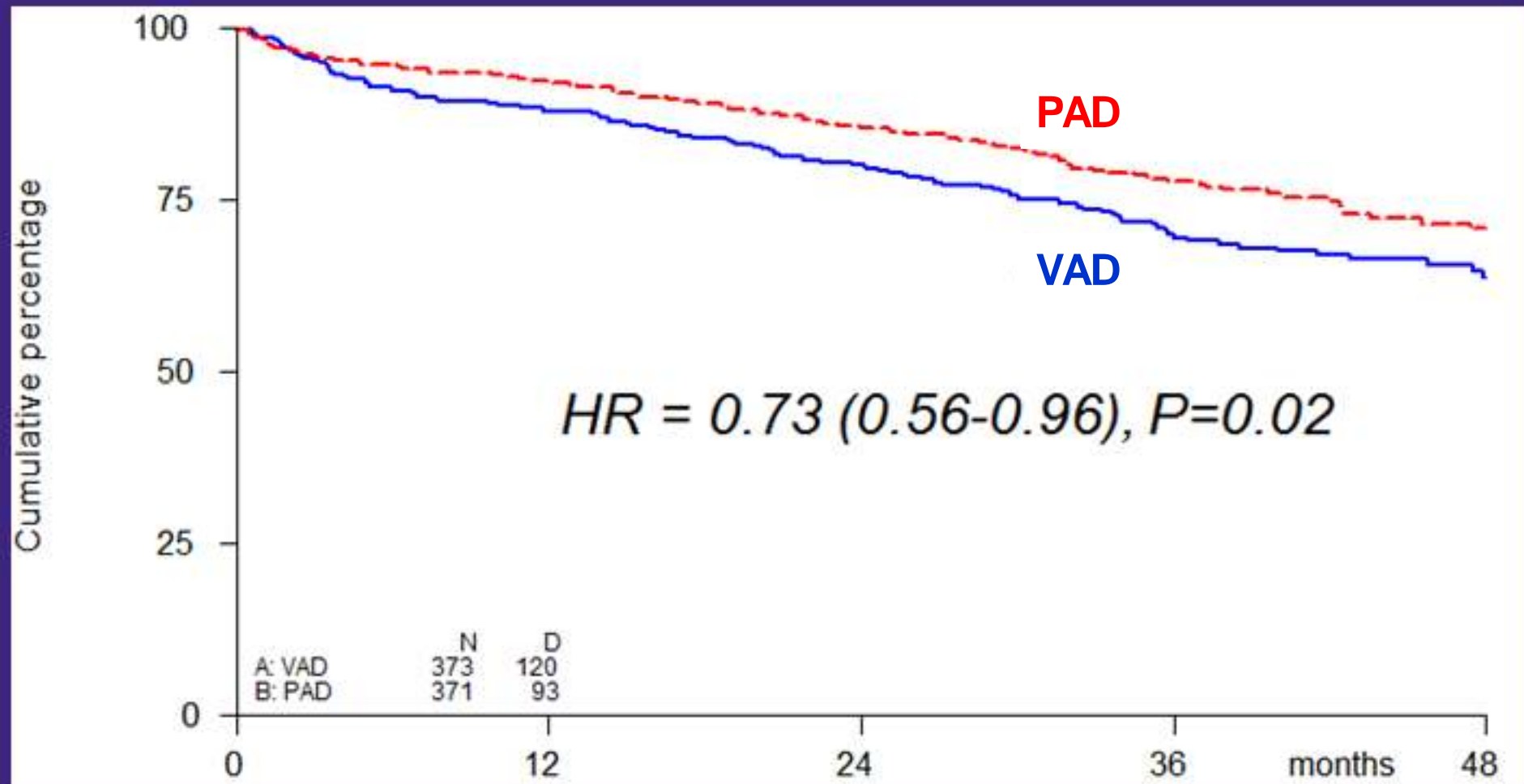
# Progression-free survival

Median follow up: 39 months



# Overall survival

Median follow up: 39 months



# Summary: consolidation/maintenance

- Bortezomib-containing regimens associated with significant
  - Increase in rates of **CR/nCR** and molecular remission<sup>1-5</sup>
  - Improvement in **PFS** (GIMEMA, HOVON/GMMG)<sup>2,3,5</sup>
  - Improvement in **OS** (HOVON/GMMG)<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Mellqvist et al. *Blood* 2009; 114(22); Abstract 530 (oral presentation)

<sup>2</sup>Cavo et al. *Blood* 2010; 116(21); Abstract 42 (oral presentation)

<sup>3</sup>Cavo et al. *Lancet* 2010; 376(9758):2075-2085

<sup>4</sup>Terragna et al. *Blood* 2010; 116(21); Abstract 861 (oral presentation)

<sup>5</sup>Sonneveld et al. *Blood* 2010; 116(21); Abstract 40 (oral presentation)

# Open questions

- **Do we still need transplant in the era of novel agents?**
- **Consolidation, maintenance or both?**
- **Molecular prognostic factors?**

# What are our expectations?



- **Tailored approach to therapy?**
  - Identify groups of patients in whom early transplant is required versus patients in whom transplant could be delayed to relapse

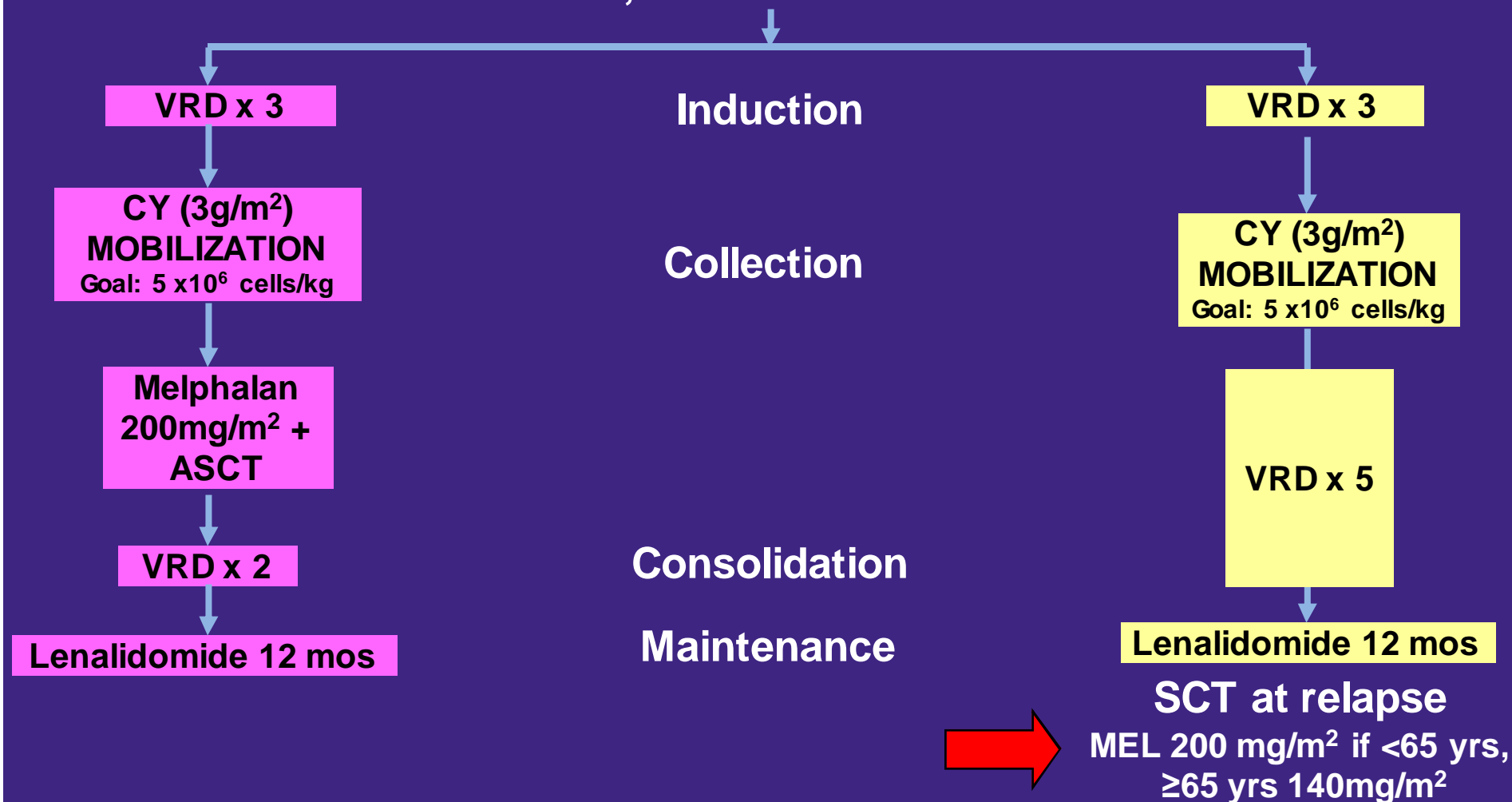




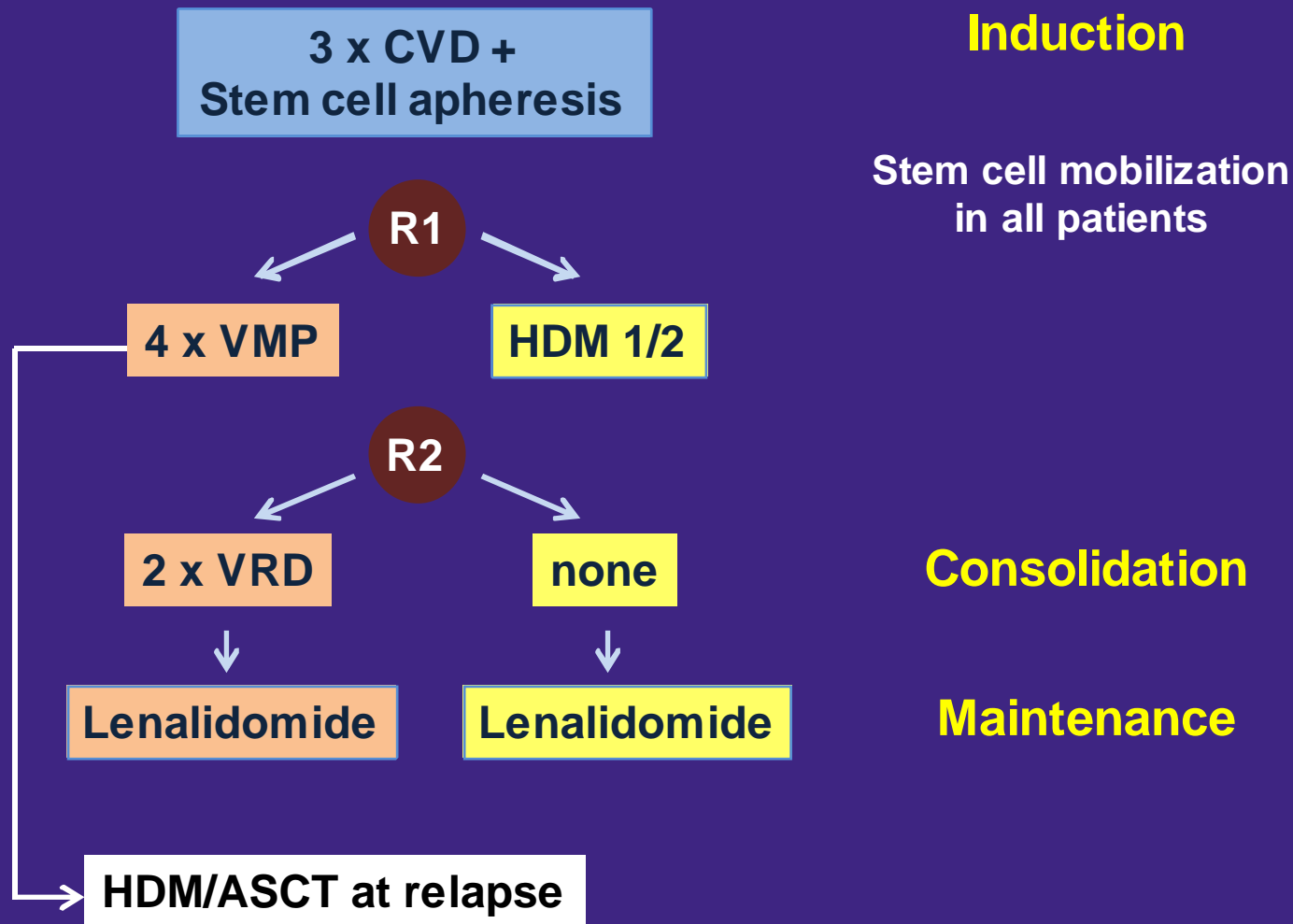
# IFM/DFCI 2009 Study

## Newly Diagnosed MM Pts (SCT candidates)

Randomize, stratification ISS & FISH



# Novel agents alone versus intensive therapy + novel agents: European Intergroup trial (EMN 02)



EMN

# Summary and outlook

- Novel agents have improved the outcome of high dose therapy followed by ASCT<sup>1-6</sup>
- Ongoing trials are examining the timing of transplantation in the era of novel agents<sup>7,8</sup>

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<sup>7</sup><http://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT01208662?term=nct01208662&rank=1>; Date accessed: 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011

<sup>8</sup><http://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT01208766?term=Sonneveld&rank=2>; Date accessed: 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011

# Optimizing Patient Outcomes Through Individualized Treatment Approaches: Phase III Data

**Co-Chairs: Robert Orlowski, USA and  
Pieter Sonneveld, The Netherlands**

# Panel discussion

**Moderated by Co-Chairs**



# Enhancing patient outcome through optimal management strategies: based on Phase III data

# Overcoming adverse effects through individualized patient care

**Mohamad Mohty**

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**Presentation includes discussion of the off-label use of a drug or drugs**



# Individualized patient care: Hype or Reality?



# Impact of novel agents in MM treatment

- Significant contribution of novel agents to improved outcomes for patients<sup>1</sup>
- Extensive clinical experience<sup>2,3</sup>
  - “Learning-curve” regarding management of adverse events and comorbidities
- Better understanding of disease biology, individual disease characteristics<sup>2,3</sup>
  - Enabling tailored treatment / risk-adapted strategies

<sup>1</sup>Kumar et al. *Blood* 2008; 111(5):2516-2520

<sup>2</sup>Richardson. *Blood* 2010; 116(23): 4733-4734

<sup>3</sup>Palumbo and Anderson *N Engl J Med* 2011; 364(11): 1046-1060

# Agenda

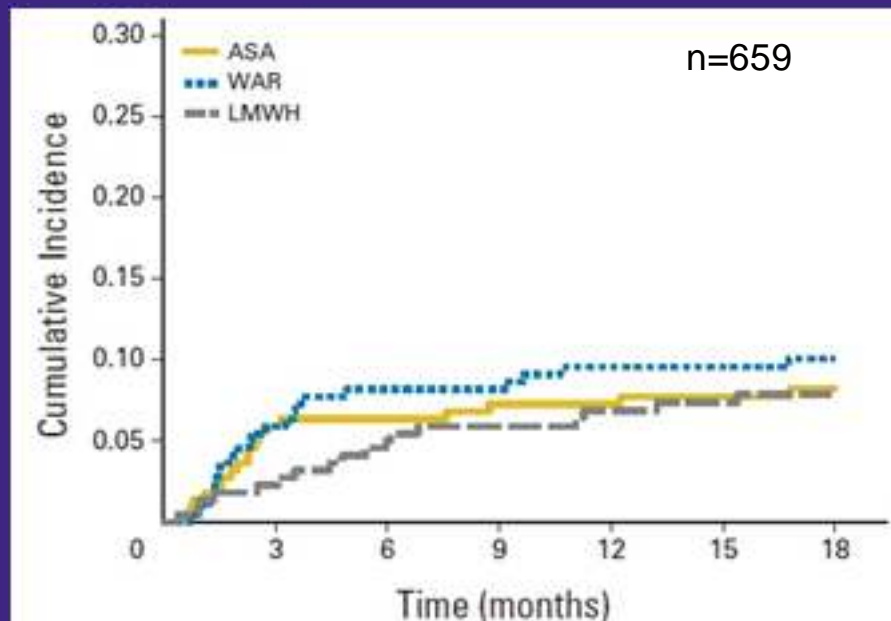
- Focus on management of adverse events and comorbidities / complications
  - Thromboembolic complications
  - Peripheral neuropathy
  - Renal insufficiency
  - Bone disease
  - *Infectious complications, myelotoxicity etc.*

# Multiple myeloma and thromboembolic complications

- **In MM, thromboembolic events have multifactorial causes<sup>1</sup>**
  - Disease itself is thrombogenic
  - Hyperviscosity at diagnosis associated with higher risk
  - Some MM treatments are associated with VTEs
  - Supportive care with ESAs in combination with IMiDs ± chemotherapy has been noted to increase VTE rates<sup>2</sup>
  - Older age of patients associated with increased risk of VTEs
  - Classical non-specific risk factors: Immobilization, obesity, CVC or pacemaker, chronic cardiac or renal disease, multi-agent chemotherapy

# Thromboprophylaxis in MM



- Randomization: n=667 receiving thal-containing regimens<sup>1</sup>  
ASA (100 mg/d)  
vs WAR (1.25 mg/d)  
vs LMWH (enoxaparin 40 mg/d)



- Similar efficacy for ASA, WAR and LMWH in reducing serious TEs, acute CV events and sudden deaths
- In elderly pts: WAR showed less efficacy than LMWH

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. J Clin Oncol 2011; 29(8):986-993

# Risk-assessment model for the management of VTEs in MM patients treated with IMiDs

Recommendation	
<b>Myeloma therapy</b> High-dose dexamethasone Doxorubicin Multi-agent chemotherapy	 <b>LMWH or full-dose warfarin is recommended if thalidomide or lenalidomide is used in these combinations</b>
<b>Individual risk factors</b> Obesity Previous VTE CVC or pacemaker Associated disease Cardiac disease Chronic renal disease Diabetes mellitus Acute infection Immobilization Surgery General surgery Any anesthesia Trauma Medication Erythropoietin Blood clotting disorders <b>Myeloma-related</b> Diagnosis Hyperviscosity	 <p><b>If no risk factor or any one risk factor is present: Aspirin 81–325 mg</b></p> <p><b>If two or more risk factors are present: LMWH or Full-dose warfarin (target INR 2-3)</b></p>

# Incidence of DVT and PE with bortezomib

## Phase III APEX<sup>1</sup>

	<b>Bortezomib</b>	<b>Bortezomib + EPO</b>
<b>Patients (n)</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>137</b>
<b>DVT (%)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<b>PE (%)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.7</b>

- No increased risk of TE events with bortezomib +/- dex and +/- EPO<sup>1</sup>

## Phase III VISTA<sup>2</sup>

	<b>VMP</b>	<b>VMP + ESA</b>
<b>Patients (n)</b>	<b>n=238</b>	<b>n=102</b>
<b>DVT (%)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>PE (%)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

- TE complications low and not affected by ESA use
- TTP and OS similar regardless of ESA use

DVT, deep vein thrombosis; PE, pulmonary embolism  
TE, thromboembolic event

<sup>1</sup>Lonial et al. *Br J Haematol.* 2008,143(2):222-229  
<sup>2</sup>Richardson et al. *Br J Haematol.* 2011 Mar 6 [Epub]



# Peripheral neuropathy (PN) in multiple myeloma

- Patients with MM are at risk of PN from
  - **Disease**
    - Baseline incidence
      - Newly diagnosed MM: <1–13%<sup>1</sup>
      - Relapsed/refractory MM (following multiple prior lines of therapy): 81% (with neurological examination)<sup>2</sup>
  - **Treatment**<sup>3-5</sup>
    - Conventional chemotherapy agents (e.g. vincristine), bortezomib, thalidomide, lenalidomide
  - **Comorbid conditions**<sup>3-5</sup>
    - Diabetes

<sup>1</sup>Tariman et al. *Clin J Oncol Nurs* 2008; 12(3 Suppl):29–36

<sup>2</sup>Richardson et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2006; 24(19): 3113–3120

<sup>3</sup>Delforge et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; 11(11):1086-1095

<sup>4</sup>Mohty et al. *Haematologica* 2010; 95(2): 311-319

<sup>5</sup>Sonneveld et al. *Hematology Am Soc Hematol Educ Program* 2010; 2010: 423-430



# Thalidomide-induced PN

- **Closely related to dose and treatment duration (main risk factors for development of PN)**
- **Mainly sensory neuropathy**
  - Numbness, tingling, pinprick sensation, sensitivity in toes and fingers are the most common symptoms
  - Painful neuropathy may occur with chronic use
  - Absence of reflexes and loss of proprioception may occur
- **Motor symptoms rarely seen**
- **Autonomic symptoms**
  - Dizzy spells, bradycardia, sexual dysfunction, constipation

*Delforge et al. Lancet Oncol 2010; 11(11): 1086-1095*

*Mohty et al. Haematologica 2010; 95(2): 311-319*

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# Bortezomib-induced PN

- Occurs after median 2–3 months, maximum around cycle 5, followed by plateau (role of cumulative dose effect unknown?)<sup>1-3</sup>
- Not all patients will develop PN (genetic factors?)
- Prior history of PN is a significant risk factor<sup>3</sup>
- **Mainly sensory neuropathy**
  - Numbness, tingling, pinprick sensation, sensitivity in toes and fingers are the most common symptoms
  - Painful neuropathy
    - Sharp or burning; associated with altered heat and cold sensation
    - Localized in toes, soles of feet, sometimes fingertips and palms
- Motor symptoms rare
- Autonomic symptoms: orthostatic hypotension, GI side effects

<sup>1</sup>Delforge et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; 11(11): 1086-1095

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# Managing peripheral neuropathy

- **Close monitoring of patients**
  - Regular assessments
    - Prior to each administration and during therapy
    - Neurophysiologic testing recommended in specific situations
  - Multidisciplinary approach involving patients, nurses, hemato-oncologists, neurologists
  - **Need to actively ask about symptoms with specific questions**
    - Patients rarely complain!
    - In case of doubtful assessment: go for the higher grade!
- **Prompt action crucial**
  - Dose reduction, schedule modification
  - Switch to non-neurotoxic agent
  - Symptom relief

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# Managing peripheral neuropathy

Monitoring patients using a dedicated assessment tool:

- Questionnaire helps to increase awareness of symptoms and provides a framework for tracking changes

## Selected questions

	Not at all	A little bit	Somewhat	Quite a bit	Very much
I have numbness or tingling in my hands/feet					
I get a ringing or buzzing in my ears					
I have trouble buttoning buttons					
I have trouble feeling the shape of small objects when they are in my hands					
I have trouble walking					

**Close monitoring and prompt action prevent / reduce neurotoxicity significantly**

*Colson et al. Cancer Nurs 2008; 31: 239-249*

# Dose modifications for thalidomide-induced neurotoxicity

Recommended dose modifications for Thalidomide (Celgene) related neuropathy in first line treatment of MM (Summary of Product Characteristics)

Severity of PN signs and symptoms*	Modification of dose and regimen
Grade 1 (paresthesia, weakness and/or loss of reflexes) with no loss of function	Continue to monitor the patient with clinical examination. Consider reducing dose if symptoms worsen. However, dose reduction not necessarily followed by improvement of symptoms.
Grade 2 (interfering with function but not with activities of daily living)	Reduce dose or interrupt treatment and continue to monitor patient with clinical and neurological examination. If no improvement or continued worsening of neuropathy, discontinue treatment. If neuropathy resolves to Grade 1 or better, treatment may be restarted, if benefit/risk is favorable.
Grade 3 (interfering with activities of daily living)	Discontinue treatment
Grade 4 (neuropathy which is disabling)	Discontinue treatment

Thalidomide Summary of Product Characteristics.

Available at [http://www.ema.europa.eu/docs/en\\_GB/document\\_library/EPAR\\_-\\_Product\\_Information/human/000823/WC500037050.pdf](http://www.ema.europa.eu/docs/en_GB/document_library/EPAR_-_Product_Information/human/000823/WC500037050.pdf); Accessed 3 May 2011

# Expert recommendations: Dose modifications for **thalidomide-induced** neurotoxicity

<b>Grade 1</b>	Reduce thalidomide dose by 50%
<b>Grade 2</b>	Discontinue thalidomide If neuropathy resolves to grade 1 or better, treatment may be restarted at 50% dose reduction
<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Discontinue thalidomide</b>
<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Discontinue thalidomide</b>

*If sensory PN is associated with neuropathic pain, CTC score is upgraded one severity level*

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# Dose modifications for **bortezomib-induced** neurotoxicity (Summary of Product Characteristics)

<b>Severity of PN signs and symptoms*</b>	<b>Modification of dose and regimen</b>
Grade 1 (paresthesias, weakness and/or loss of reflexes) without pain or loss of function	No action
Grade 1 with pain or Grade 2 (interfering with function but not with activities of daily living)	Reduce bortezomib to 1.0 mg/m <sup>2</sup>
Grade 2 with pain or Grade 3 (interfering with activities of daily living)	Withhold bortezomib therapy until toxicity resolves, When toxicity resolves, reinstitute bortezomib at a reduced dose of 0.7 mg/m <sup>2</sup> Change treatment schedule to once per week
Grade 4 (Sensory neuropathy which is disabling or motor neuropathy that is life threatening or leads to paralysis)	Discontinue bortezomib

\*National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events, Version 3.0, Dec. 2003

# Expert recommendations: Dose modifications for **bortezomib-induced** neurotoxicity

<b>Grade 1</b>	<p>If patient is on twice-weekly schedule<sup>†</sup>: reduce current bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup> or prolong dosing interval to once-weekly</p> <p>If patient is on once-weekly schedule: reduce bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup></p>
<b>Grade 2</b>	<p>If patient is on twice-weekly schedule: reduce bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup> or prolong dosing interval to once-weekly</p> <p>If patient is on once-weekly schedule: reduce bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup> or consider temporary discontinuation</p> <p>If neuropathy resolves to grade 1 or better, once-weekly bortezomib at reduced dose may be restarted</p>
<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Discontinue bortezomib</b>
<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Discontinue bortezomib</b>

<sup>†</sup>Patients ≥75 years may be immediately started on once-weekly regimen when initiating bortezomib

<sup>‡</sup>Bortezomib dose reductions: standard dose: 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup>; dose reduced by 1 level: 1.0 mg/m<sup>2</sup>; dose reduced by 2 levels: 0.7 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
 If sensory PN is associated with neuropathic pain, CTC score is upgraded one severity level.

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# Bortezomib dose modification is an efficient strategy to improve/resolve PN

## Phase II: SUMMIT & CREST<sup>1</sup>

- Patients  $\geq$  Grade 3 PN:
  - Resolution or improvement in 71%

## Phase III: APEX<sup>2</sup>

- Patients  $\geq$  Grade 2 PN:
  - Resolution or improvement in 64%

## Phase III: VISTA<sup>3</sup>

- Patients  $\geq$  Grade 2 PN:
  - Resolution in 60%
  - Improvement in 79%

**In clinical trials, bortezomib-associated PN was reversible in most cases following dose reduction or discontinuation**

<sup>1</sup>Richardson et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2006; 24: 3113-3120

<sup>2</sup>Richardson et al. *Br J Haematol* 2009; 144(6): 895-903

<sup>3</sup>Mateos et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28: 2259-2266

# Therapeutic interventions for PN

- **Pharmacologic interventions**
  - Pregabalin, Gabapentin
  - Amitriptyline, duloxetine
  - Topical lidocaine, capsaicin cream
  - Tramadol, morphine, oxycodone
- **Vitamins and supplements**
  - Multi-B complex vitamins (B1, B6, B12), fish oils, magnesium, potassium, folic acid, acetyl-L-carnitine,  $\alpha$ -lipoic acid, glutamine, tonic water
- **Emollient creams**
  - Cocoa butter, menthol- and eucalyptus-based creams
- **Therapeutic massage**

*Colvin et al. J Clin Oncol 2008; 26(27): 4519-4520*

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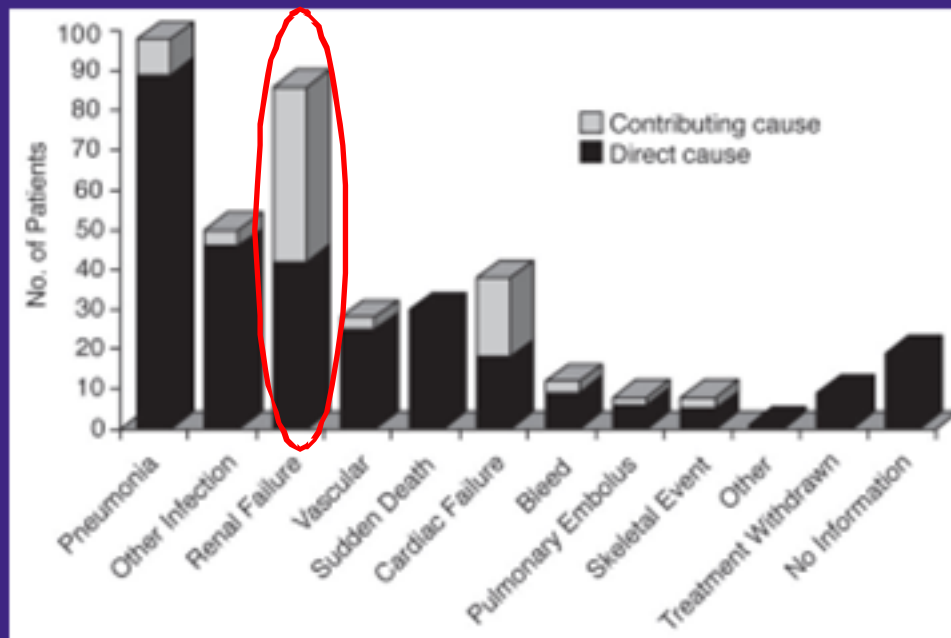
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# Renal impairment/failure in multiple myeloma

- **Incidence**
  - Renal impairment in newly diagnosed patients: 20–40%<sup>1-3</sup>
  - Renal failure: 20%<sup>2</sup>
- **Impact**
  - Associated with increased probability of early death and susceptibility to infections<sup>2,4</sup>

Early mortality before day 60 in MRC trials 1980-2002 (n=3,107)<sup>4</sup>



Renal failure was contributory to 86 early deaths (28%)

<sup>1</sup>Alexanian et al. *Arch Intern Med* 1990; 150: 1693-1695

<sup>2</sup>Blade et al. *Arch Intern Med* 1998; 158: 1889-1893

<sup>3</sup>Kyle et al. *Mayo Clin Proc* 2003; 78: 21-33

<sup>4</sup>Augustson et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2005; 23: 9219-9226

# Renal impairment/failure in multiple myeloma

- **Causes<sup>1,2</sup>**
  - Accumulation of monoclonal light chains: cast nephropathy
  - Dehydration
  - Hypercalcemia
  - Use of nephrotoxic drugs
- **Medical emergency requiring prompt intervention<sup>1,3</sup>**
  - Reduction in myeloma burden to reduce light chain load
  - Supportive care
- **Prompt initiation of treatment is a critical determinant of renal recovery<sup>3</sup>**

<sup>1</sup>Dimopoulos et al. *Leukemia* 2008;22: 1485-1493

<sup>2</sup>Dimopoulos et al. *Hematology Am Soc Hematol Educ Program* 2010; 431-436

<sup>3</sup>Cockwell et al. *Curr Opin Nephrol Hypertens* 2010; 19: 550-555

# Rationale for use of bortezomib in patients with myeloma-induced renal impairment

- Short time to response<sup>1</sup>
- High overall and complete responses in combination regimens<sup>2-6</sup>
- Well tolerated: toxicity similar in patients with and without renal impairment<sup>1,7</sup>
- Bortezomib clearance independent of renal function<sup>8</sup>
- Reduces inflammation in myeloma kidney disease<sup>9,10</sup>
- Reversal of renal failure in approximately 2/3 of patients across studies<sup>7,11-14</sup>

<sup>1</sup>San Miguel et al. *Leukemia* 2008;22:842-849

<sup>2</sup>San Miguel et al. *N Engl J Med* 2008; 359:906-917

<sup>3</sup>Kropff et al. *Br J Haematol* 2007; 138:330-337

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<sup>7</sup>Dimopoulos et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2009;27: 6086-6093

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<sup>11</sup>Kastritis *Haematologica* 2007;92:546-549

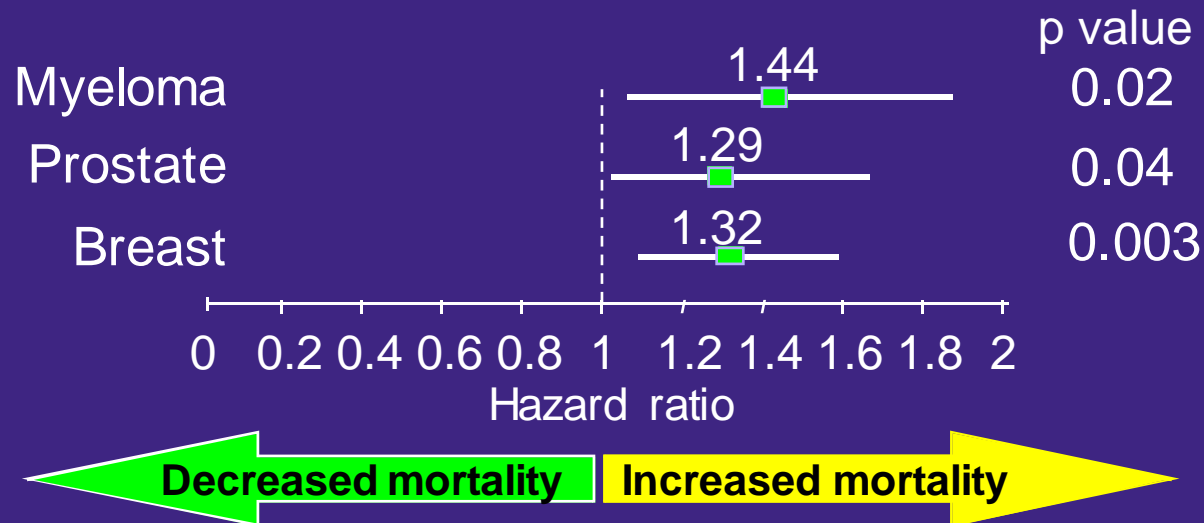
<sup>12</sup>Roussou *Leuk Lymphoma* 2008;49:890-895

<sup>13</sup>Ludwig *JCO* 2010;28: 4635-4641

<sup>14</sup>Roussou *Leukemia Res* 2010;34: 1395-1397

# Bone disease in multiple myeloma

- Associated with significant morbidity and reduced QoL due to skeletal complications
- High incidence of bone involvement present in up to 90% of patients:
  - Imbalance between bone formation and bone destruction (suppression of osteoblast function and enhancement of osteoclast activity)



# Treatment of MM bone disease

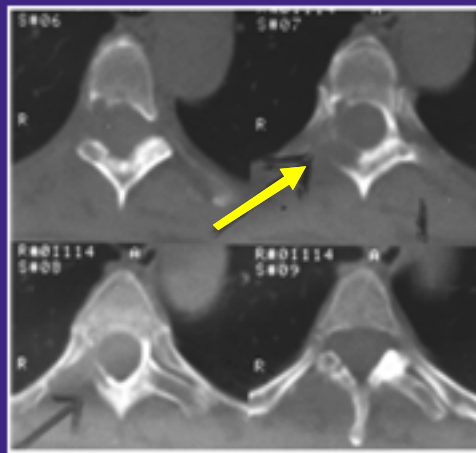
- Analgesia
- Bisphosphonates
- Surgical procedures
  - Vertebroplasty
  - Kyphoplasty
- Radiotherapy
- Specific disease treatment
- Investigational agents targeting specific factors involved in bone resorption/formation

# Bortezomib: Effect on bone remodelling

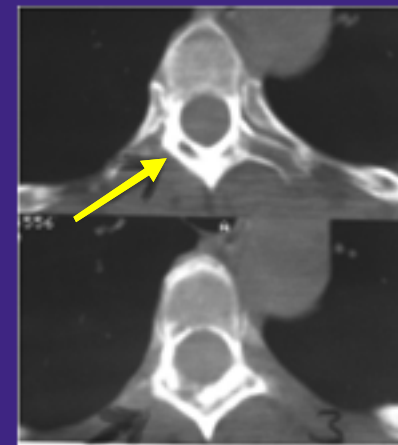
- Preclinical and clinical studies: Bortezomib increases osteoblast activity and inhibits osteoclast activity<sup>1-3</sup>
- Beneficial impact (bone healing) observed in patients with MM and advanced osteolytic disease treated with bortezomib<sup>4-7</sup>

## CT scans of lytic lesions in thoracic vertebra in patient with CR to VMP<sup>7</sup>

Baseline



Cycle 9



<sup>1</sup>Giuliani et al. *Blood* 2007; 110: 334-8

<sup>2</sup>Pennisi et al. *Am J Hematol* 2009; 84: 6-14

<sup>3</sup>Terpos et al. *Blood* 2007; 110(4): 1098-104

<sup>4</sup>Lund et al. *Eur J Haematol* 2010; 85(4): 290-299

<sup>5</sup>Zangari et al. *Haematologica* 2011; 96(2): 333-336

<sup>6</sup>Terpos et al. *Ann Oncol* 2010; 21(7): 1561-1562

<sup>7</sup>Delforge et al. *Eur J Haematol* 2011 Mar 2 [Epub]



# Summary

- **Improvement in side effects management through clinical experience:**
  - Thrombo-prophylaxis based on risk factors<sup>1</sup>
  - Effective PN management: close monitoring and prompt action<sup>2-4</sup>
- **Renal insufficiency:**
  - Requires prompt intervention with effective anti-myeloma agents and supportive care<sup>5</sup>
  - Reversal of renal failure in substantial proportion of patients with bortezomib treatment<sup>5</sup>
- **MM bone disease:**
  - Bisphosphonates remain the mainstay of treatment<sup>6</sup>
  - Increased bone formation seen with bortezomib<sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. *Leukemia* 2008; 22: 414-423

<sup>2</sup>Delforge et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; 11(11): 1086-1095

<sup>3</sup>Mohty et al. *Haematologica* 2010; 95(2): 311-319

<sup>4</sup>Sonneveld et al. *Hematology Am Soc Hematol Educ Program* 2010; 423-430

<sup>5</sup>Dimopoulos et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28: 4976-4984

<sup>6</sup>Terpos et al. *Ann Oncol* 2009; 20: 1303-1317

<sup>7</sup>Delforge et al. *Eur J Haematol* 2011 Mar 2 [Epub]

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# Optimizing Patient Outcomes Through Individualized Treatment Approaches: Phase III Data

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# Practical considerations for patient management

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# Impact of myeloma diagnosis

- **Profound effect on patients, family, caregivers**
- **Emotional impact**
  - Shock, disbelief, powerlessness, fear, anxiety, guilt, sadness, grief, depression, anger
- **Sense of isolation and confinement**
- **Significant impact on psychological health and QoL**
- **Financial issues**

# Importance of information and support

- **Why is information important?**
  - **Sense of control**
  - **Assists decision-making**
- **Where to get information and support?**
  - **Nurses, physicians**
  - **Patient organizations, support groups**
  - **Internet**

# Patient expectations

- **Suitable and adequate information**
  - **Opportunity to ask questions**
- **Realistic discussion on prognosis, treatment options**
- **Involvement in treatment decisions**
- **Information about clinical trials / new treatments**



# Key role for hematology nurses in coordinating care

- **Direct care provision**
  - Knowledge of disease, treatments, potential complications
  - Promote physical and psychological well-being, overall QoL
- **Monitoring**
  - Regular contact enables
    - early detection of side effects, initiation of interventions
    - checking of adherence to treatments

# Key role for hematology nurses in coordinating care

- **Patient education**
  - Flood of information following diagnosis overwhelming
  - Information on treatment choices, toxicities, measures to minimise risks of complications
- **Communication and patient advocate**
  - Continuity in patient care; often main point of contact in hospital
  - Ensuring care is patient-focussed and individualized

# Importance of nurse-specific recommendations for side effect management

## Consensus statements by IMF Nurse Leadership Board

- Nurse Leadership Board (NLB) created by IMF
  - Oncology nurses from cancer centers and community practices
- NLB management recommendations for key AEs of novel agents
  - Myelosuppression, thromboembolic events, peripheral neuropathy, steroid toxicities, gastrointestinal side effects

**Nursing considerations regarding  
specific side effects**

# Side effects and nursing considerations

Side effect	Possible intervention
Diarrhea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fluid intake</li><li>• Fiber supplements</li><li>• Antidiarrheals</li><li>• Referral to nutritionist</li></ul>
Constipation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dietary considerations</li><li>• Stool softeners, laxatives</li><li>• Referral to nutritionist</li></ul>
Nausea and vomiting	Anti-emetics
Anorexia	Appetite stimulants

# Side effects and nursing considerations

Side effect	Possible intervention
Asthenia and fatigue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rest, nutrition, hydration, exercise</li><li>• Antidepressants, psychiatric referral</li></ul>
Thrombocytopenia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitor blood counts</li><li>• Platelet transfusion</li></ul>
Neutropenia and anemia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitor blood counts</li><li>• Transfusions and hematopoietic growth factors</li></ul>

# Side effects and nursing considerations

Side effect	Possible intervention
Peripheral neuropathy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thorough baseline assessment</li><li>• Regular monitoring</li></ul>
Hypotension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitor concomitant medications</li><li>• Monitor blood pressure</li></ul>
Electrolyte imbalances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitor blood chemistries</li><li>• Magnesium, potassium supplements</li><li>• Dietary considerations</li><li>• Fluid intake</li></ul>
Rash and pyrexia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Diphenhydramine and cortisone creams, acetaminophen (paracetamol)</li><li>• Low-dose oral corticosteroids</li></ul>

# Survivorship Care Plan

- **Aims**
  - Summarize treatment; communicate late effects of treatment
  - Promote continuous communication between patients and healthcare providers
  - Promote healthy lifestyle
- **Clinical nurse-specific practice-based consensus documents**
  - Topics
    - Renal complications
    - Sexuality and sexual dysfunction
    - Bone disease and bone health
    - Functional mobility and safety
    - Health maintenance
  - Publication: 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2011



# Summary

- **Profound effect of myeloma diagnosis on patients, family<sup>1,2</sup>**
  - Importance of information and support
- **Key role for hematology nurses in coordinating and providing care<sup>1</sup>**
  - Supportive treatments
  - Communication and education
- **Nurse-specific recommendations developed to improve patient management<sup>3-7</sup>**

<sup>1</sup>Kelly M. *Oncology News* 2007;1:20-21

<sup>2</sup>Molassiotis et al. *Psychooncology* 2011;20(1): 88-97

<sup>3</sup>Bertolotti P et al. *Clin J Oncol Nurs* 2008;12(3 Suppl):9-12

<sup>4</sup>Miceli T et al. *Clin J Oncol Nurs* 2008;12(3 Suppl):13-20

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<sup>6</sup>Smith LC et al. *Clin J Oncol Nurs* 2008;12(3 Suppl):37-52

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# **Flexible dosing strategies and subcutaneous route of administration: Phase III data**

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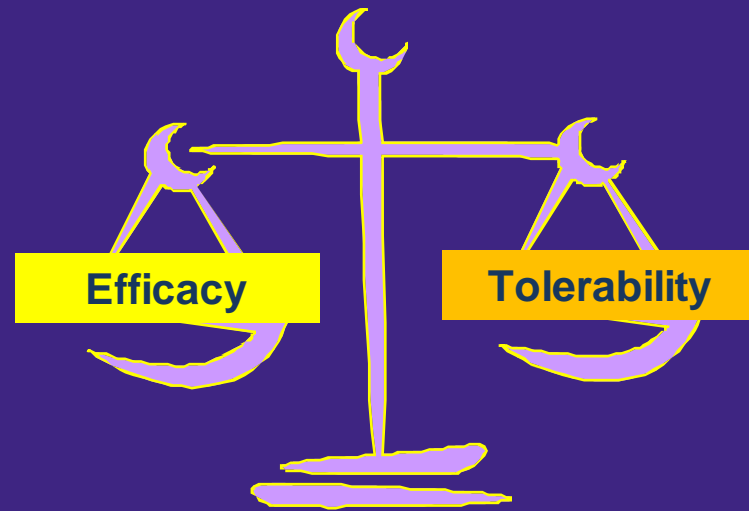
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# Treatment considerations

- Aim: deliver effective treatment while maintaining quality of life



- Important for all patients, especially vulnerable patients
- How to optimize bortezomib administration?
  - Once-weekly dosing
  - Subcutaneous vs intravenous

# Flexible dosing with bortezomib

- Two large phase III trials investigated once-weekly administration of bortezomib
  - VMP vs VTP followed by VT or VP maintenance in newly diagnosed elderly patients with MM (PETHEMA/GEM)<sup>1</sup>
  - VMPT plus VT maintenance vs VMP in elderly patients (GIMEMA)<sup>2,3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>Palumbo et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28: 5101-5109

<sup>3</sup>Brinchen et al. *Blood* 2010; 116: 4745-4753



# Overview of VMP schedules in phase III trials

Study	Treatment duration	Dosing
<b>VISTA: VMP<sup>1-3</sup></b> N=682	<b>4 twice-weekly 6-week cycles</b> + <b>5 once-weekly 6-week cycles</b>	<b>Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Melphalan 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Prednisone 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Modified VISTA schedules: once weekly bortezomib</b>		
<b>GIMEMA: VMP<sup>4,5</sup></b> N=511	<b>9 once-weekly 5-week cycles</b>	<b>Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Melphalan 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Prednisone 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>PETHEMA/GEM: VMP<sup>6</sup></b> N=260	<b>1 twice-weekly 6-week cycle</b> + <b>5 once-weekly 5-week cycles</b>	<b>Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Melphalan 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Prednisone 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup></b>

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# Once-weekly vs twice-weekly bortezomib: Comparable efficacy with improved tolerability

Study details	Efficacy				Sensory PN		Discont. due to PN	Discont. due to AEs overall
	ORR	CR	Median PFS	3-year OS	All grades	Grade 3/4		
<b>Twice-weekly VMP</b>								
<b>VISTA<sup>1-3</sup></b>	71%	30%	21.7m	68.5%	44%	13%	15%	34%
<b>Once-weekly VMP</b>								
<b>GIMEMA<sup>4,5</sup></b>	79%	23%	27m	87%	22%	2%	4%	17%
<b>PETHEMA/GEM<sup>6</sup></b>	80%	20%	34m	74%	NR	7%	NR	12% <sup>†</sup>

NR: not reported

<sup>†</sup>Discontinuations  
due to SAEs

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# Expert recommendations: Dose modifications for bortezomib-induced neurotoxicity

Summary of product characteristics guidelines modified according to expert opinion and clinical practice in reference centres:

<b>Grade 1</b>	<p>If patient is on twice-weekly schedule<sup>†</sup>: reduce current bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup> or prolong dosing interval to <b>once-weekly</b></p> <p>If patient is on <b>once-weekly</b> schedule: reduce bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup></p>
<b>Grade 2</b>	<p>If patient is on twice-weekly schedule: reduce bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup> or prolong dosing interval to <b>once-weekly</b></p> <p>If patient is on <b>once-weekly</b> schedule: reduce bortezomib dose by one level<sup>‡</sup> or consider temporary discontinuation</p> <p>If neuropathy resolves to grade 1 or better, <b>once-weekly</b> bortezomib at reduced dose may be restarted</p>
<b>Grade 3</b>	Discontinue bortezomib
<b>Grade 4</b>	Discontinue bortezomib

<sup>†</sup>Patients ≥75 years may be immediately started on once-weekly regimen when initiating bortezomib

<sup>‡</sup>Bortezomib dose reductions: standard dose: 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup>; dose reduced by 1 level: 1.0 mg/m<sup>2</sup>; dose reduced by 2 levels: 0.7 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
If sensory PN is associated with neuropathic pain, CTC score is upgraded one severity level.

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# Summary

- Once-weekly administration of bortezomib associated with
  - **Similar efficacy** as compared to twice-weekly administration in front-line treatment for elderly patients
  - **Improved tolerability** especially in terms of neurotoxicity

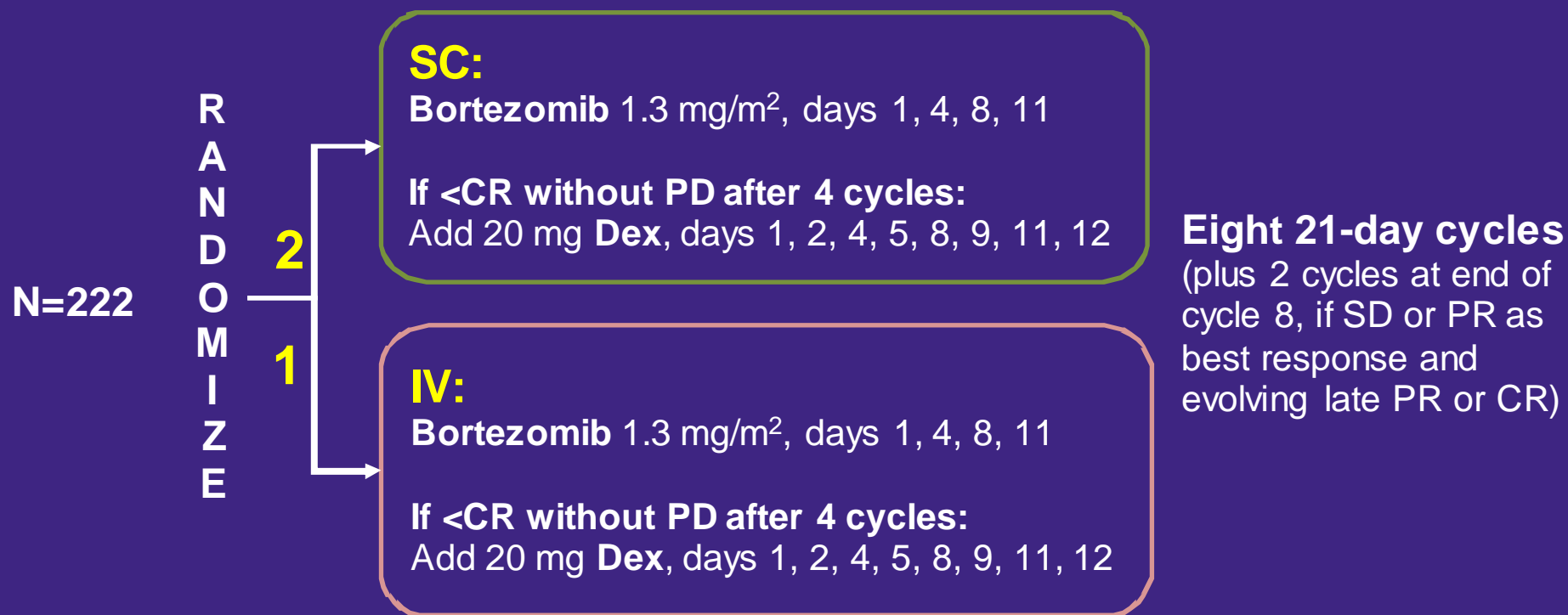
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# Study design



- 53 centers in 10 countries (Europe, Asia, South America)
- Non-inferiority design
  - 60% retention of IV treatment effect as measured by ORR after 4 cycles
  - Stratification factors: ISS stage, number of prior lines of therapy (1 vs >1)

# Bortezomib administration

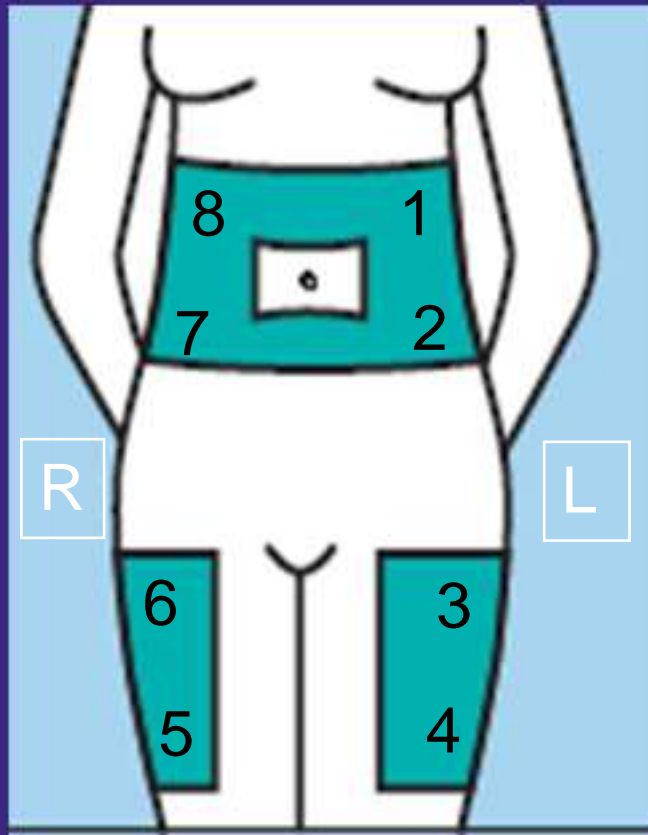
## IV injections

- Administered at a concentration of 1 mg/mL as a 3- to 5-second IV push
  - 3.5 mg in 3.5 mL normal [0.9%] saline

## SC injections

- Administered at a concentration of 2.5 mg/mL
  - 3.5 mg in 1.4 mL normal [0.9%] saline
- SC injection sites: thighs or abdomen

# SC injection site rotation



## Within the same cycle

- Injections at same site were avoided
- Alternated between
  - right and left abdomen
  - upper and lower quadrant or between
  - right and left thigh
  - proximal and distal sites

# Patient demographics and baseline characteristics

Characteristic	Bortezomib IV (n=74)	Bortezomib SC (n=148)
Median age, yrs (range)	64.5 (38–86)	64.5 (42–88)
Aged ≥65 yrs, %	50	50
Male, %	64	50
White / Asian, %	96 / 4	97 / 3
Western / Eastern / Non-European, %	41 / 45 / 15	29 / 66 / 5
KPS 70% / 80% / ≥90%, %	16 / 32 / 51	22 / 39 / 40
1 / >1 prior lines of therapy, %*	65 / 35	62 / 38
ISS stage I / II / III disease, %*	27 / 41 / 32	27 / 41 / 32

\*Stratification factor

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# Response data

	<b>Bortezomib IV (n=73)*</b>	<b>Bortezomib SC (n=145)*</b>
<b>Primary endpoint: response after 4 cycles (single agent bortezomib)</b>		
ORR	42%	42%
CR	8%	6%
≥nCR	14%	12%
≥VGPR	16%	17%
<b>Response after 8 cycles (bortezomib +/- dex)</b>		
ORR	52%	52%
CR	12%	10%
≥nCR	22%	20%
≥VGPR	25%	25%

**Comparable efficacy with SC and IV  
bortezomib administration**

\*n=4 not evaluable for response, n=3 in SC group, n=1 in IV group

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# Time to response, response duration, TTP, 1-year OS

	Bortezomib IV	Bortezomib SC	p
Median time to first response (months)*	1.4	1.4	
Median time to best response (months)*	1.5	1.6	
Median duration of response (months)	8.7	9.7	
TTP (months)	9.4	10.4	0.387
PFS (months)	8.0	10.2	0.295
1-year OS (%)	76.7	72.6	0.504

**Comparable efficacy with SC and IV  
bortezomib administration**

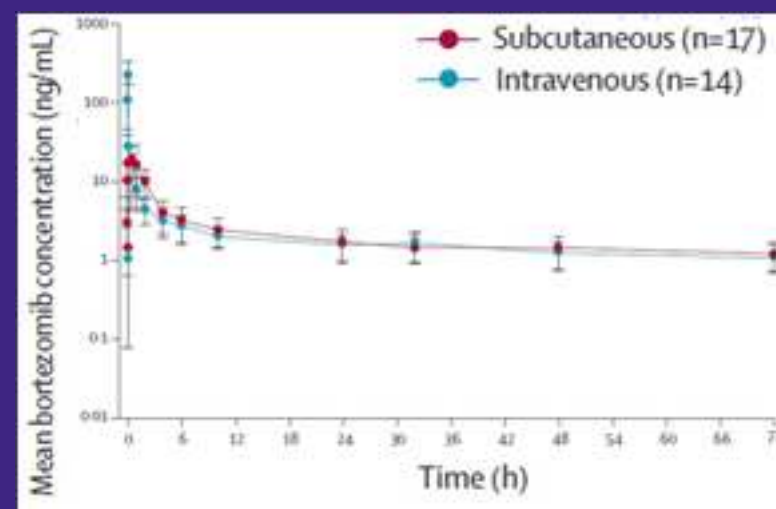
\*In responding patients

Moreau et al. Lancet Oncol 2011 [Epub ahead of print]

# Pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic parameters

	Bortezomib IV (n=14)	Bortezomib SC (n=17)
<b>Pharmacokinetics</b>		
$C_{max}$ (ng/mL), mean (SD)	223 (101)	20.4 (8.87)
$T_{max}$ (min), median (range)	2 (2–5)	30 (5–60)
$AUC_{last}$ (ngxh/mL), median (range)	151 (42.9)	155 (56.8)
<b>Pharmacodynamics</b>		
$E_{max}$ (%), mean (SD)	69.3 (13.2)	63.7 (10.6)
$T_{emax}$ (min), median (range)	5 (2–30)	120 (30–1440)
$AUE_{72}$ (%xh), mean (SD)	1383 (767)	1714 (617)

## Plasma concentration-time profiles



- Bortezomib systemic exposure equivalent between groups
- $AUE_{72}$  similar in both groups

Moreau et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2011 [Epub ahead of print]  
 Moreau et al. *Blood* 2010; 116(21); Abstract 312 (oral presentation)

# Adverse events (AEs)

	<b>Bortezomib IV</b> (n=74)	<b>Bortezomib SC</b> (n=147)
<b>AEs, all grades, %</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>AEs, grade <math>\geq 3</math>, %</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Treatment-related AE, grade <math>\geq 3</math>, %</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Bortezomib dose reductions due to AEs, %</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Discontinuations due to AEs, %</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>22</b>

# Adverse events (AEs)

## Hematological

Grade $\geq 3$ , %	Bortezomib IV (n=74)	Bortezomib SC (n=147)
Anemia	8	12
Thrombocytopenia	19	13
Neutropenia	18	18
Leukopenia	7	6

## Non-hematological

Grade $\geq 3$ , %	Bortezomib IV (n=74)	Bortezomib SC (n=147)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	15	5
Neuralgia	9	3
Diarrhea	2	5
Vomiting	1	2
Constipation	1	1
Weight loss	1	0
Nausea	0	0
Asthenia	5	2
Fatigue	4	2
Pneumonia	8	5
Pyrexia	0	0

Moreau et al. Lancet Oncol 2011 [Epub ahead of print]

# Peripheral neuropathy (PN)

	Bortezomib IV (n=74)	Bortezomib SC (n=147)	p-value*
<b>Any PN event, %</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0.044</b>
<b>Grade <math>\geq 2</math>, %</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0.012</b>
<b>Grade <math>\geq 3</math>, %</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.026</b>
Time to onset of PN, months	4.4	NE	
Cumulative dose at first onset of PN, mg/m <sup>2</sup>	25.1	41.0	
Risk factors for PN, %			
Grade 1 PN at baseline	28	23	
Diabetes at baseline	11	13	
Exposure to prior neurotoxic agents	85	86	

**Significantly fewer all-grade, grade  $\geq 2$  and grade  $\geq 3$  PN events with SC administration compared to IV administration**

\*P-values based on 2-sided Fisher's exact test

# Local injection site reactions

- **SC injection site reaction reported as an AE**
  - At least one reaction in 6%
  - Bortezomib dose modification in 1%
- **Detailed local injection site questionnaire:**
  - Most common reaction: redness in 57%
  - 1% of patients with severe injection site reactions
  - Median time to resolution: 6 days (100% resolved)

# Summary

- **Efficacy of bortezomib similar by SC and IV administration in patients with relapsed MM**
  - Similar PK (systemic exposure) and PD (proteasome inhibition) profiles with IV and SC administration
- **SC administration appeared to have an improved safety profile compared with IV administration**
  - Significantly fewer all-grade, grade  $\geq 2$ , and grade  $\geq 3$  PN events with SC administration compared to IV administration
- **SC administration had acceptable local tolerability**

# Feasibility of bortezomib home administration: experience from pilot studies

- **UK<sup>1</sup>:** 9 patients (60-86 years), relapsed MM
  - No infusion reactions, no adverse reactions during administration
  - Feasible in elderly, heavily pretreated, with comorbidities
- **Ireland<sup>2</sup>:** 23 patients, newly diagnosed (transplant setting) and relapsed MM
  - No significant complications
  - Responses as expected with standard administration
  - Patient feedback: convenient, minimum negative impact on QoL
- **Belgium MyCare @home program<sup>3</sup>:** 17 patients (mean 69.4 years), relapsed MM
  - No impact on treatment efficacy or safety
  - Longer treatment duration, fewer dose reductions and drug-related AEs
  - Program extended to 200 patients

<sup>1</sup>Hammond et al. *Clin Lymphoma Myeloma* 2009; 9 (Suppl 1): S21 (Abstract 133)

<sup>2</sup>Meenaghan et al. *Eur J Oncol Nurs*. 2010;14(2):134-136

<sup>3</sup>Delforge et al. *Manuscript in preparation*



# Overall summary

- **How to optimize bortezomib administration?**
  - Once-weekly dosing<sup>1-3</sup>
  - Subcutaneous vs intravenous<sup>4</sup>
- **What are the implications?**
  - Similar efficacy<sup>1-4</sup>
  - Better tolerability with significantly lower neurotoxicity<sup>1-4</sup>
- **Possible applications?**
  - Elderly and less mobile patients
  - Prolonged treatment including maintenance
  - Comorbidities e.g. neuropathy

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28: 5101-5109

<sup>2</sup>Brighen et al. *Blood* 2010; 116: 4745-4753

<sup>3</sup>Mateos et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; 11: 934-941

<sup>4</sup>Moreau et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2011 [Epub ahead of print]

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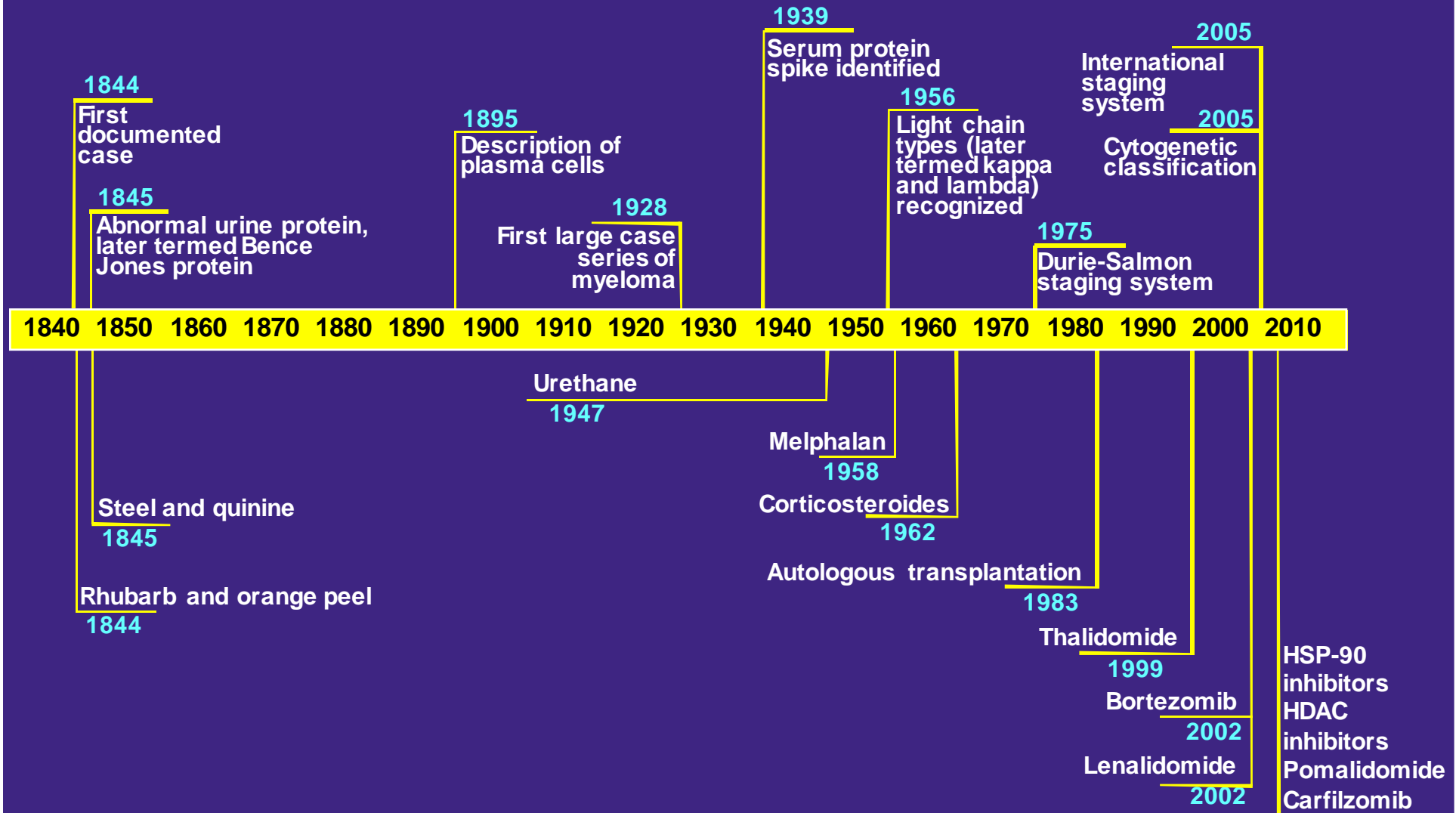
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# Summary and closing remarks – Future perspectives in multiple myeloma therapy

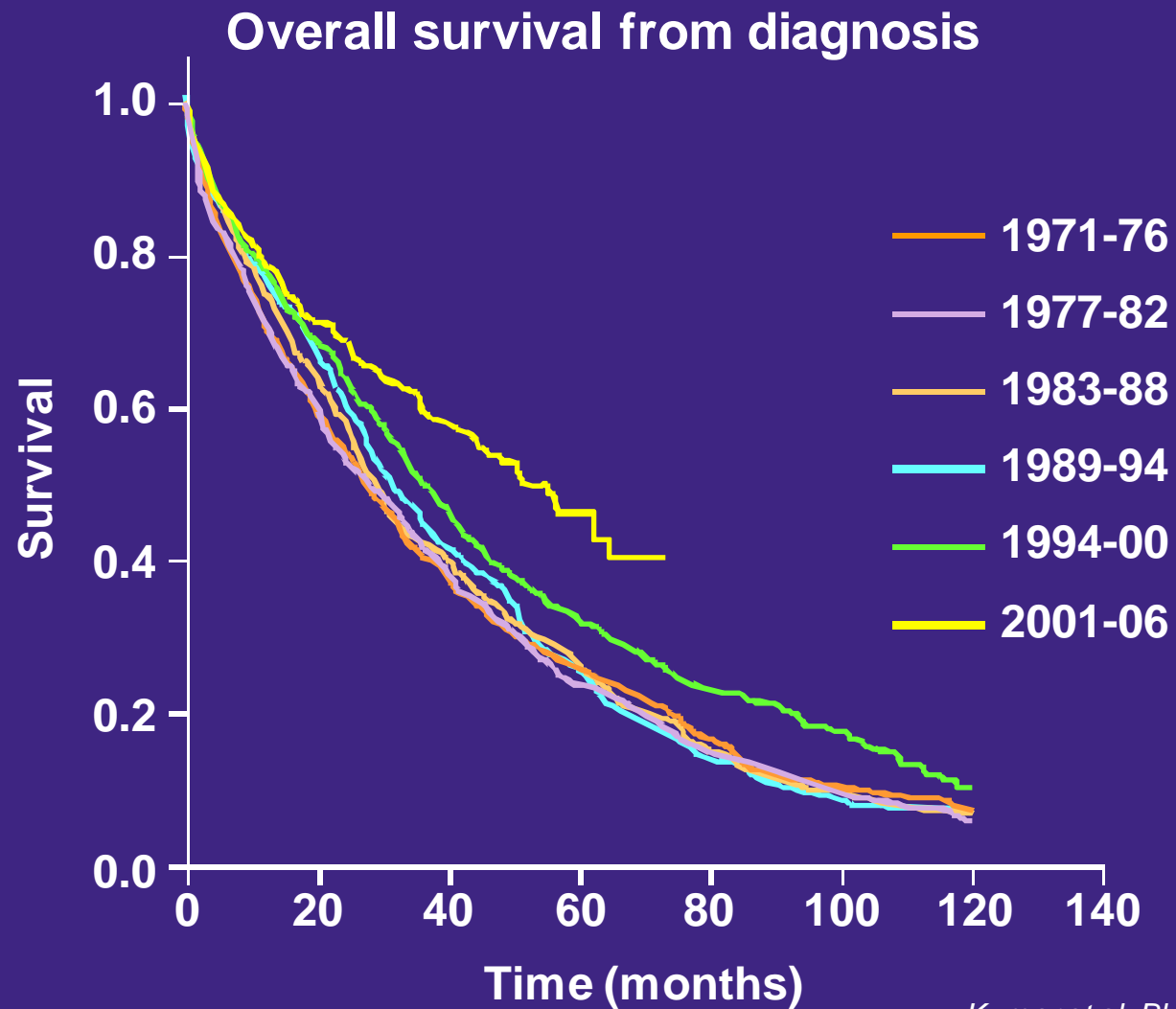
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# Evolution of myeloma therapy

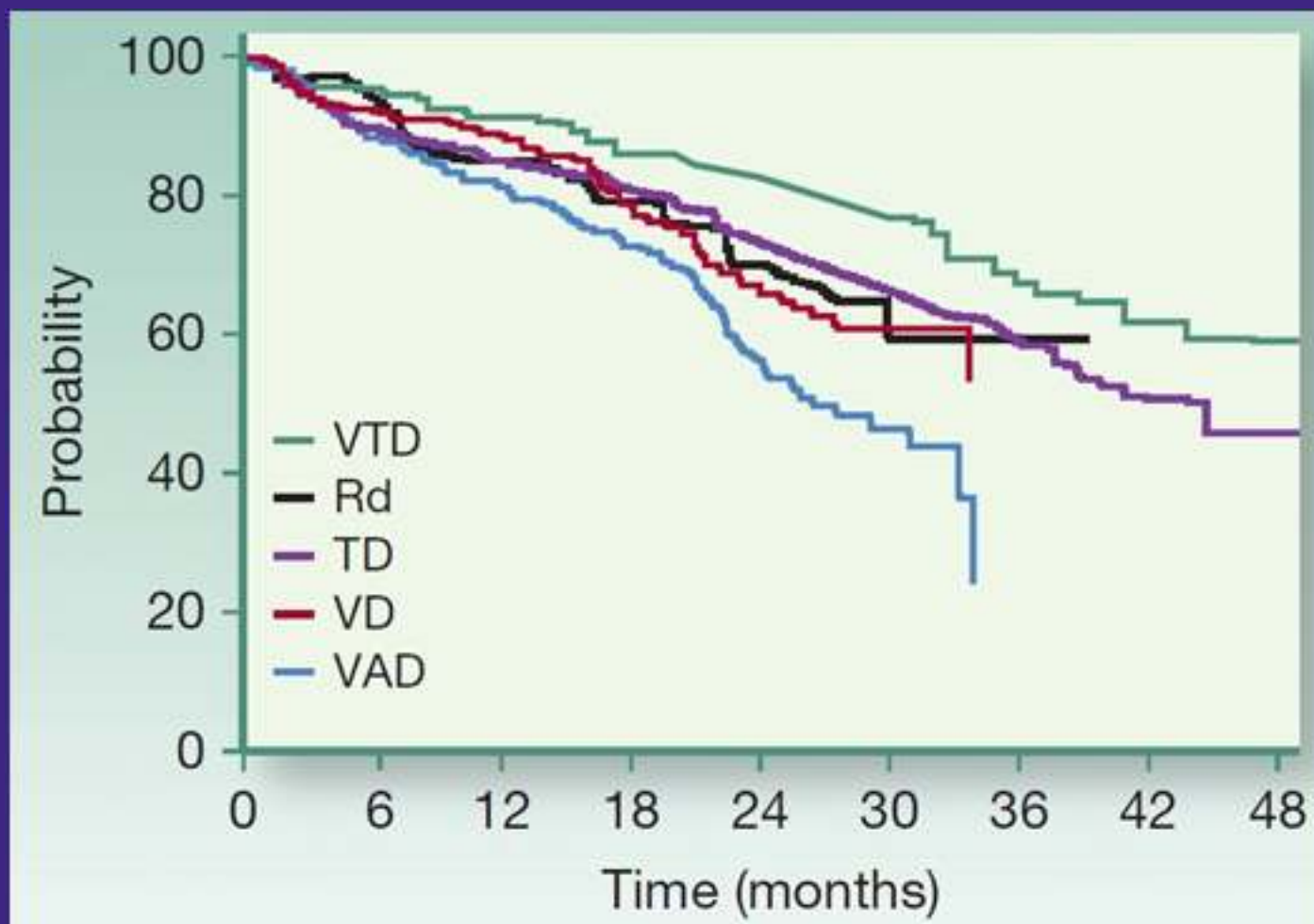


Adapted from: Kyle and Rajkumar. Blood 2008; 111(6):2962-2972

# Impact of novel agents up-front



## PFS improvement: Transplant eligibles



# Transplant-ineligible population

	<b>Median PFS (months)</b>	<b>3-year OS (%)</b>	<b>Median OS (months)</b>
<b>MP<sup>1-4,7,9</sup></b>	<b>11–18.5</b>	<b>~40–60*</b>	<b>29.1–49.4</b>
<b>MPT<sup>1-6</sup></b>	<b>15–27.5</b>	<b>~45–65*</b>	<b>29–51.6</b>
<b>VMP<sup>7,8,11</sup></b>	<b>21.7–27.4</b>	<b>68.5<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>Not reached @ 36.7 months<sup>†</sup></b>
<b>MPR-R<sup>9</sup></b>	<b>31</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>VMP-VT/VP<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>34</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>Not reached @ 32 months</b>
<b>VMPT-VT<sup>11</sup></b>	<b>37.2</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>Not reached @ 32 months</b>

\*Estimates from OS curves; N/A: not available

<sup>†</sup>3-year OS data reported; 5-year OS data analysis ongoing

<sup>1</sup>Palumbo et al. *Blood* 2008; 112: 3107–3114

<sup>2</sup>Facon et al. *Lancet* 2007; 370: 1209–1218

<sup>3</sup>Hulin et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2009; 27: 3664–3670

<sup>4</sup>Waage et al. *Blood* 2010; 116: 1405–1412

<sup>5</sup>Wijermans et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28: 3160–3166

<sup>6</sup>Beksac et al. *Eur J Haematol* 2011; 86: 16–22

<sup>7</sup>San Miguel et al. *N Engl J Med* 2008; 359(9): 906–917; Supplementary Appendix

<sup>8</sup>Mateos et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28(13): 2259–2266

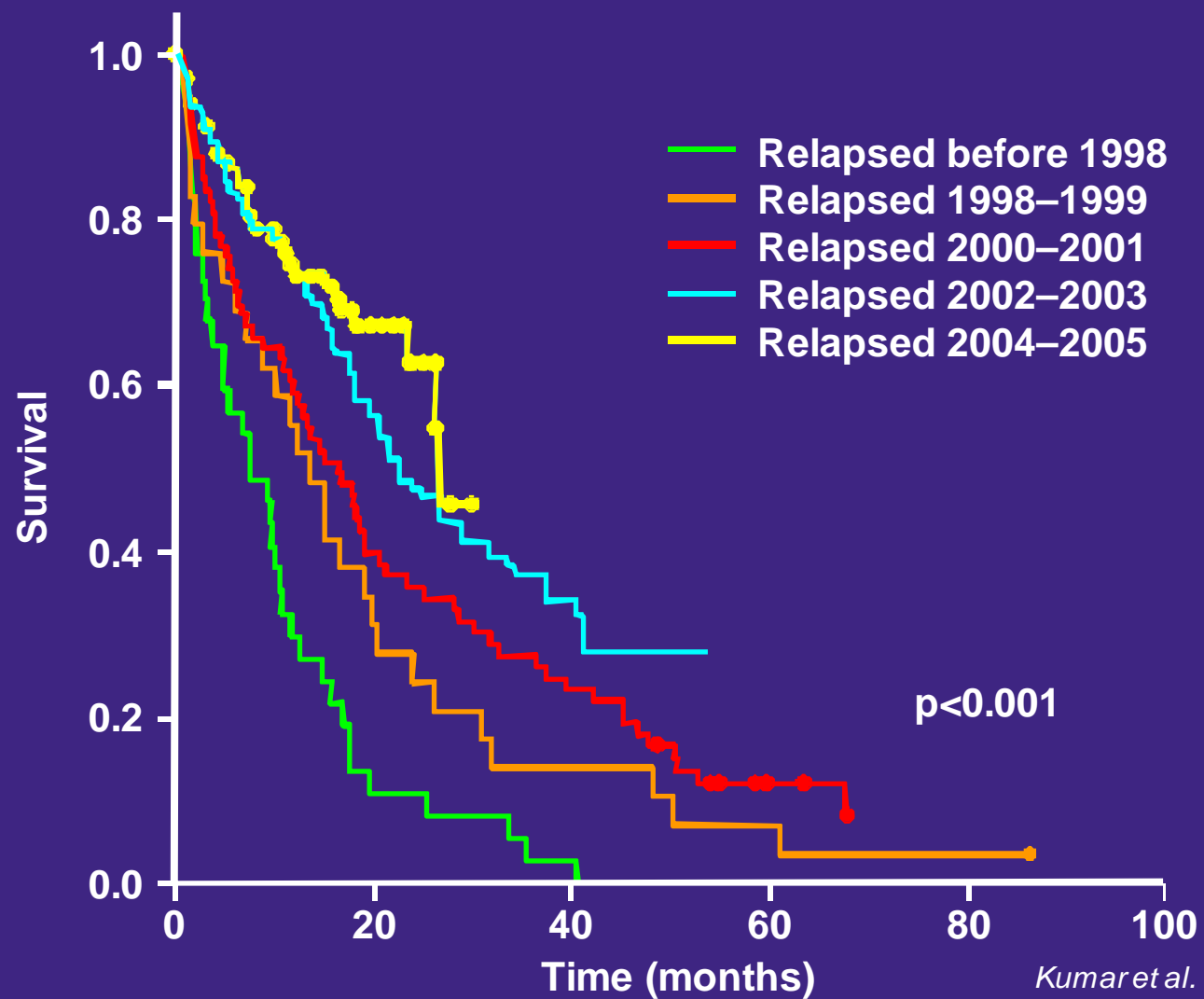
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<sup>10</sup>Mateos et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2010; 11(10): 934–941

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# Impact of novel agents at relapse

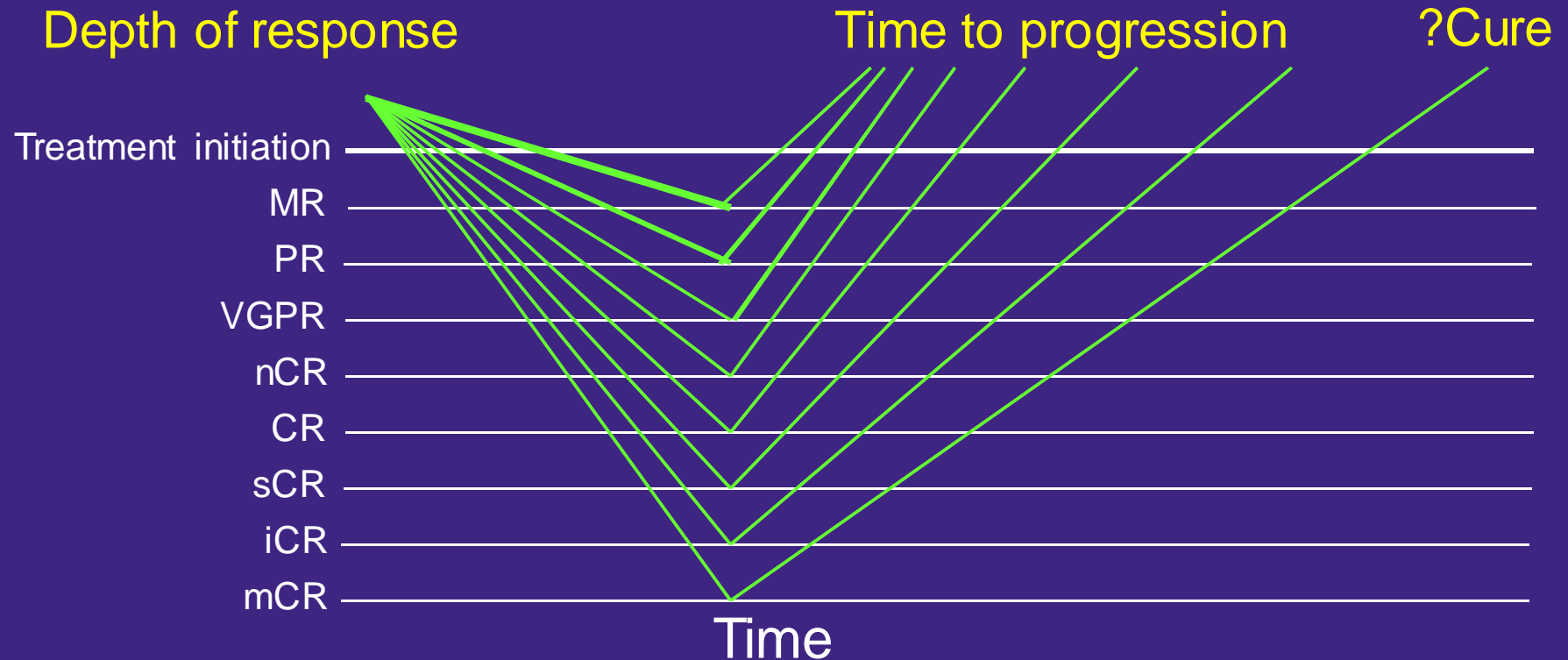


# A cornucopia of new drugs

- **New small molecules**
  - Novel signal transduction inhibitors
  - Second generation proteasome inhibitors
  - Second & third generation immunomodulators
  - Histone deacetylase & heat shock protein 90 inhibitors
- **Monoclonal antibodies**
  - Siltuximab
  - Elotuzumab
  - Lorvotuzumab mertansine



# Is cure within reach?



- Will molecular remission equal cure ?

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