

„Transplantation in Multiple Myeloma“

YES or NO



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Current status of autologous transplantation (AT)

Current status of AT

EFS plus: 3/5; OS 2/5

Conventional chemotherapy versus ASCT

Author	n	Age	CR (%)	EFS	OS
IFM 90 (N Engl J Med 1996)	200	≤65	5 vs 22*	7-year EFS 8% vs 16%*	7-year OS 27% vs 43%*
MRC7 (N Engl J Med 2003)	401	≤65	8 vs 44*	19m vs 31m*	42m vs 54m*
Pethema (Blood 2003)	400	50–70	11 vs 30*	333m vs 43m*	56m vs 62m
US Intergroup (JCO 2006)	813	25–70	15 vs 17	7-year estimate 14% vs 17%	7-year estimate 38% vs 38%

*Significant difference

Single vs. Tandem AT

EFS plus: 4/5; OS 1/5

Author	n	Age	CR (%) 1 vs 2	EFS months	OS months
IFM 94	399	≤65	42 vs. 50	25 vs 30*	48 vs 58*
MAG95	227	≤65	39 vs 37	31 vs 33	49 vs 73
Bologna 96	220	<70	31 vs 43	21 vs 31*	56 vs 60
GMMG	261	<70	-	23 vs. NR*	-
Hovon 22	303		13 vs 28	20 vs 22*	55 vs 55

Transplantation in MM - general conclusion

GOLD STANDARD
for all available patients

Safe: Transplant Related Mortality 1-2 %

LIMITS !

1. Long term results

AT: long - term results

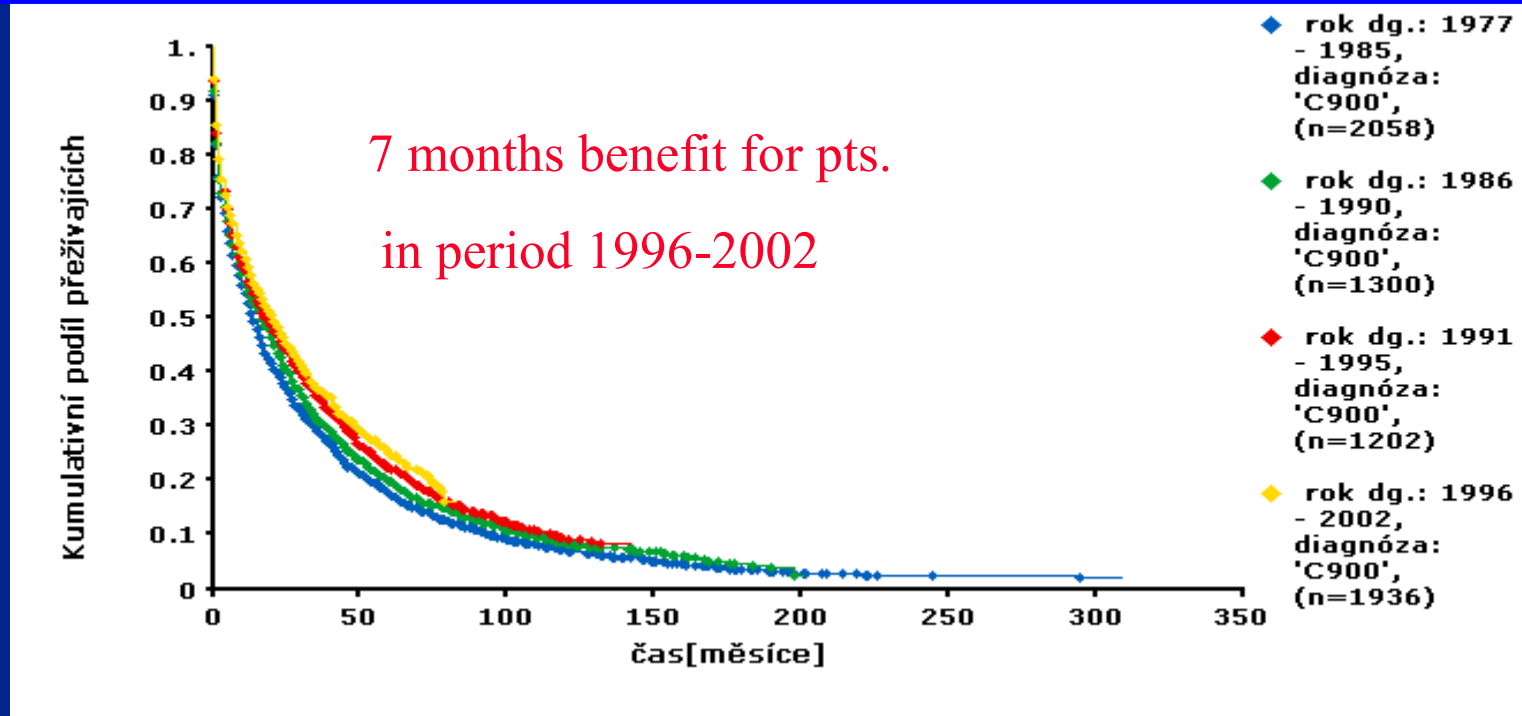
- **No Cure !**
- **Tandem AT can improve survival in patients who does not achieve CR or VGPR after the first transplantation**
 - **IFM 94 (7-year survival 42% vs 21%)**

**How the results of AT change
overall long-term treatment
results in multiple myeloma.**

**Lesson from Czech National
Oncological Register (NOR)**

Multiple Myeloma – NOR- Kaplan-Meier analysis of overall survival (OS)

Periods: 1977-1985, 1986-1990, 1991-1995 a 1996-2002



Period	Median OS months
1977 - 1985	13
1986 - 1990	16
1991 - 1995	18
1996 - 2002	20

Period	5-years OS	Period	8-years OS	Period	10-years OS
1977-1985	17.1%	1977-1985	9.3%	1977-1985	6.6%
1986-1990	18.4%	1986-1990	11.0%	1986-1990	8.0%
1991-1995	18.9%	1991-1994	11.1%	1991-1992	8.1%
1996-1997	21.8%				

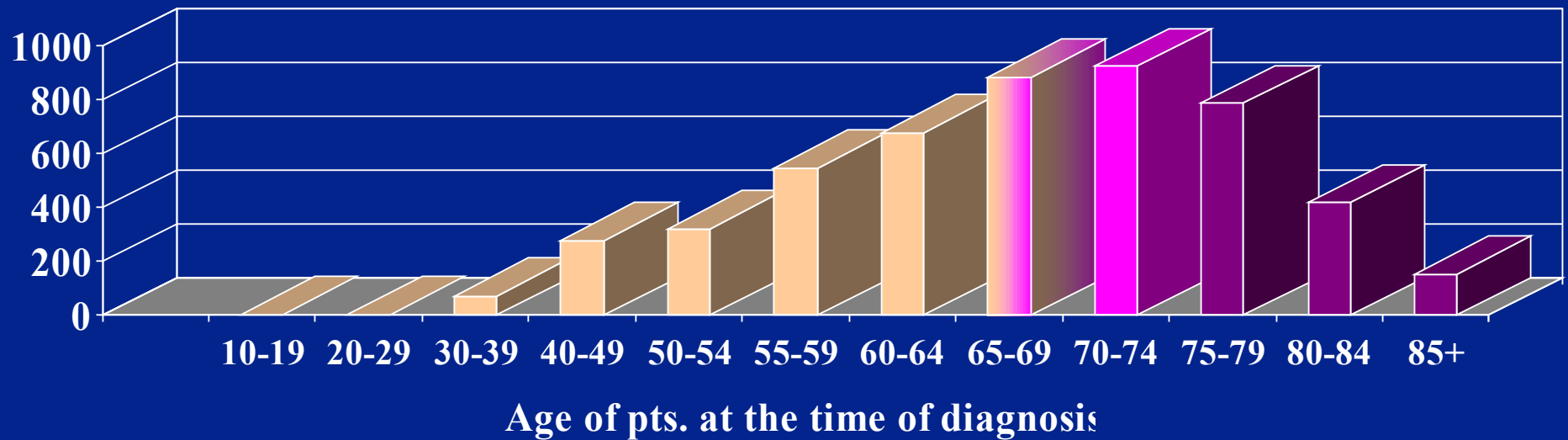
**Why can we see only minimal
benefit (7 months)
of AT, if the whole population
suffered from MM
is analysed ?**

LIMITS !

- 1. Long term results**
- 2. Availability and indication for pts.**

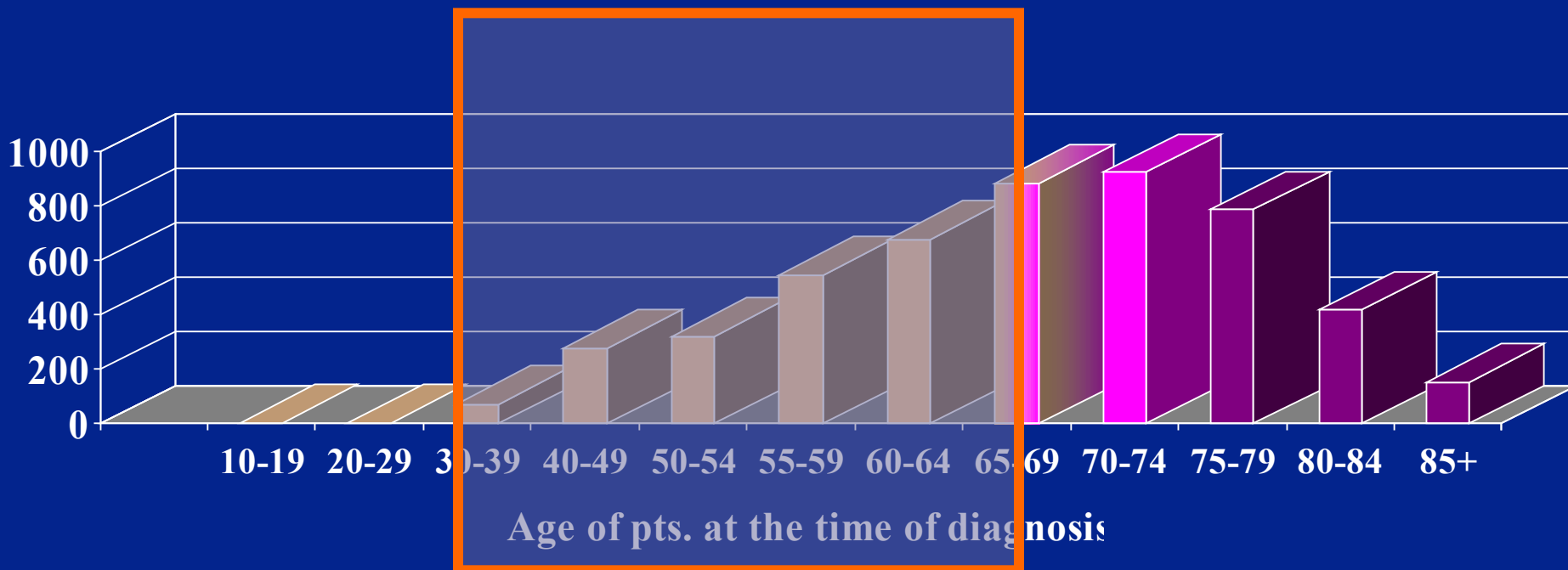
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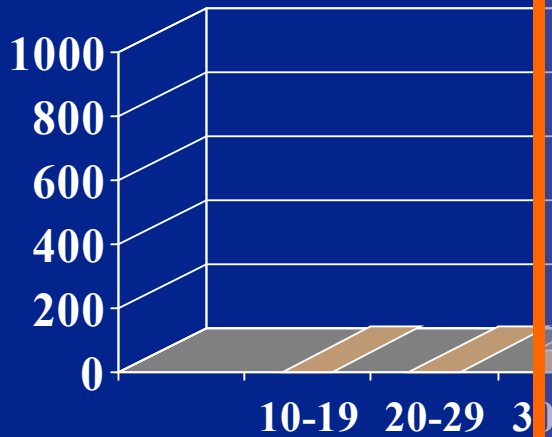
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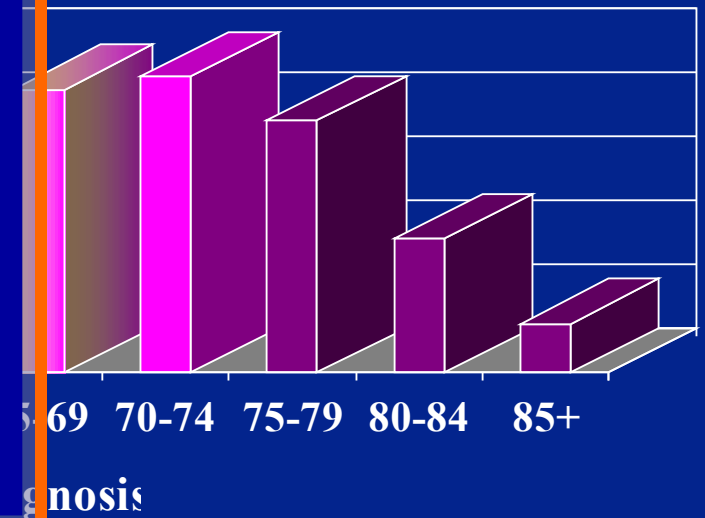


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**LESS THAN 50%
OF NEWLY DIAGNOSED
PTS. ARE ELIGIBLE
FOR
TRANSPLANTATION
MAINLY DUE TO
AGE LIMITATION
AND/OR STANDARD
CONTRAINDICATIONS**



LIMITS !

1. Long term results
2. Availability and indication for patients
3. Benefit from AT is limited by age

AT: long - term results

- **Age as one of the main prognostic factor of long-term benefit of AT**
 - **IFM 90 long-term results confirmed benefit of transplantation only in patients under age 60**



MULTICENTRIC RANDOMISED CLINICAL TRIAL „4W“ Xth Annual Report Summary

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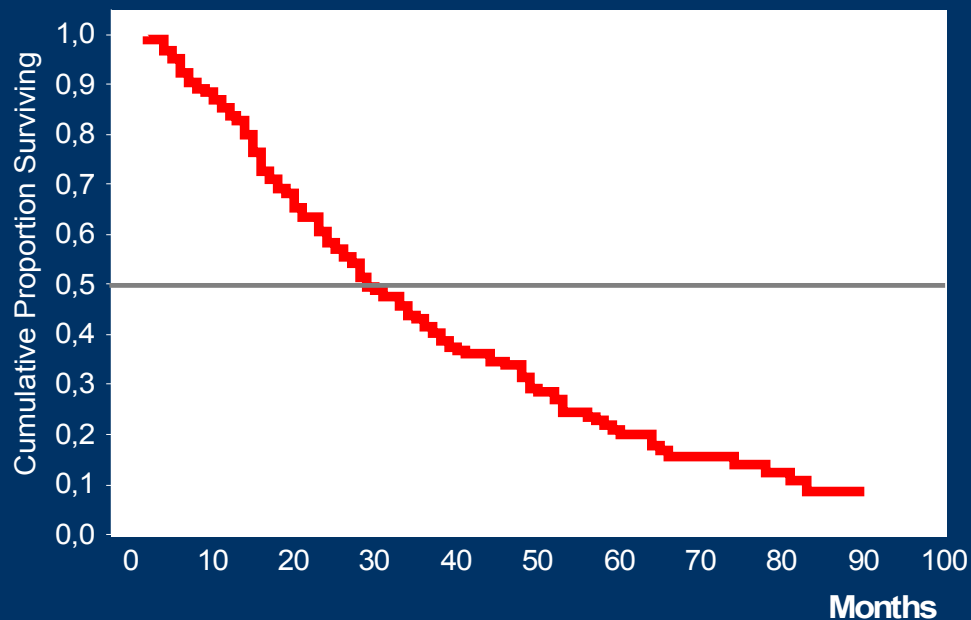


PRIMARY ENDPOINT ANALYSIS

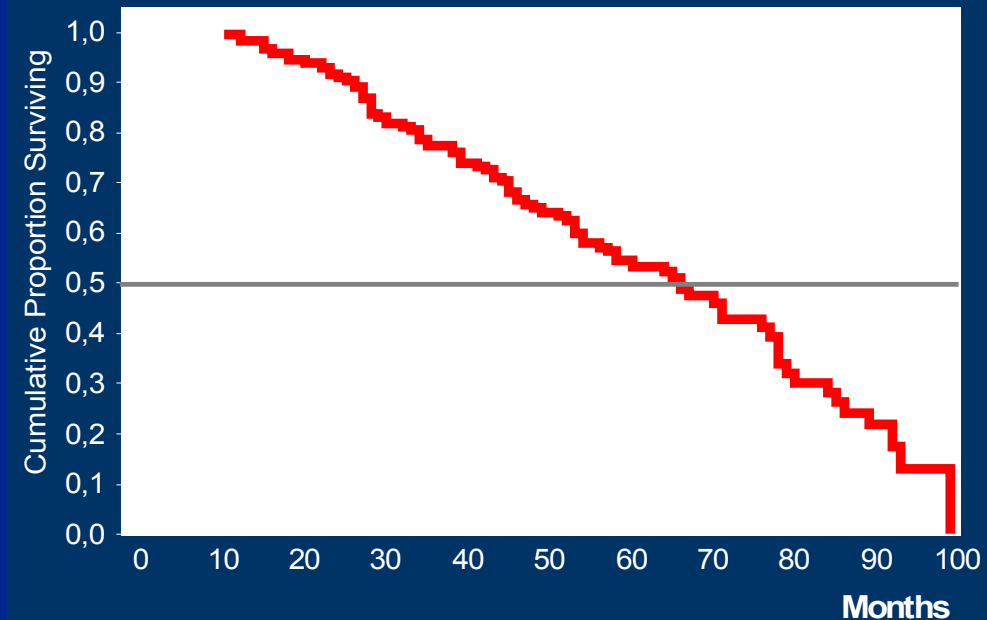
Event Free Survival, Overall Survival

Basic statistical summary (percentiles of survival times)				
		I	ID	All patients
EFS	25%	16.0	16.0	16.0
	50%	30.4	28.0	29.0
OS	25%	41.5	33.7	39.0
	50%	58.9	67.2	66.0

Event Free Survival



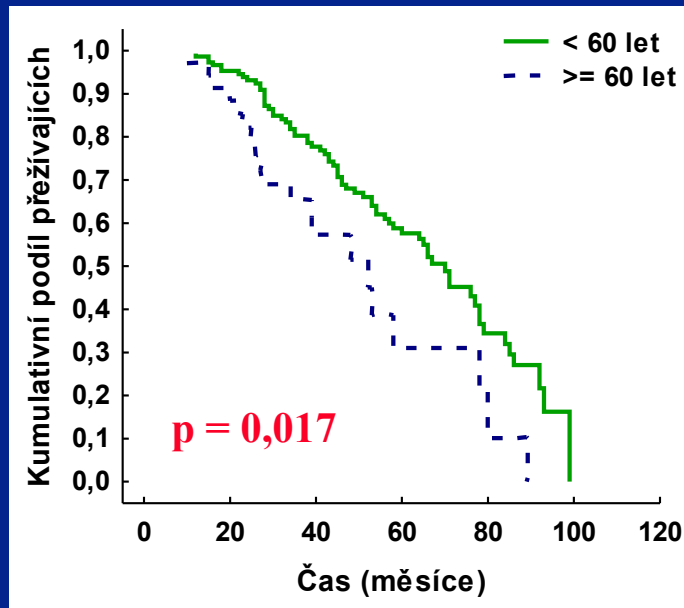
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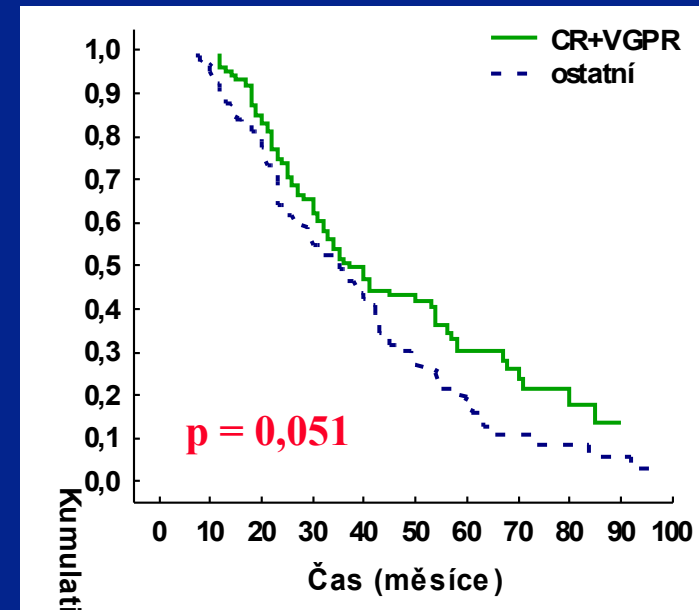
Age under 60

and

CR + VGPR after AT



Age	N	Medián přežití (měsíce)
< 60 years	150	68,0
≥ 60 years	35	48,9

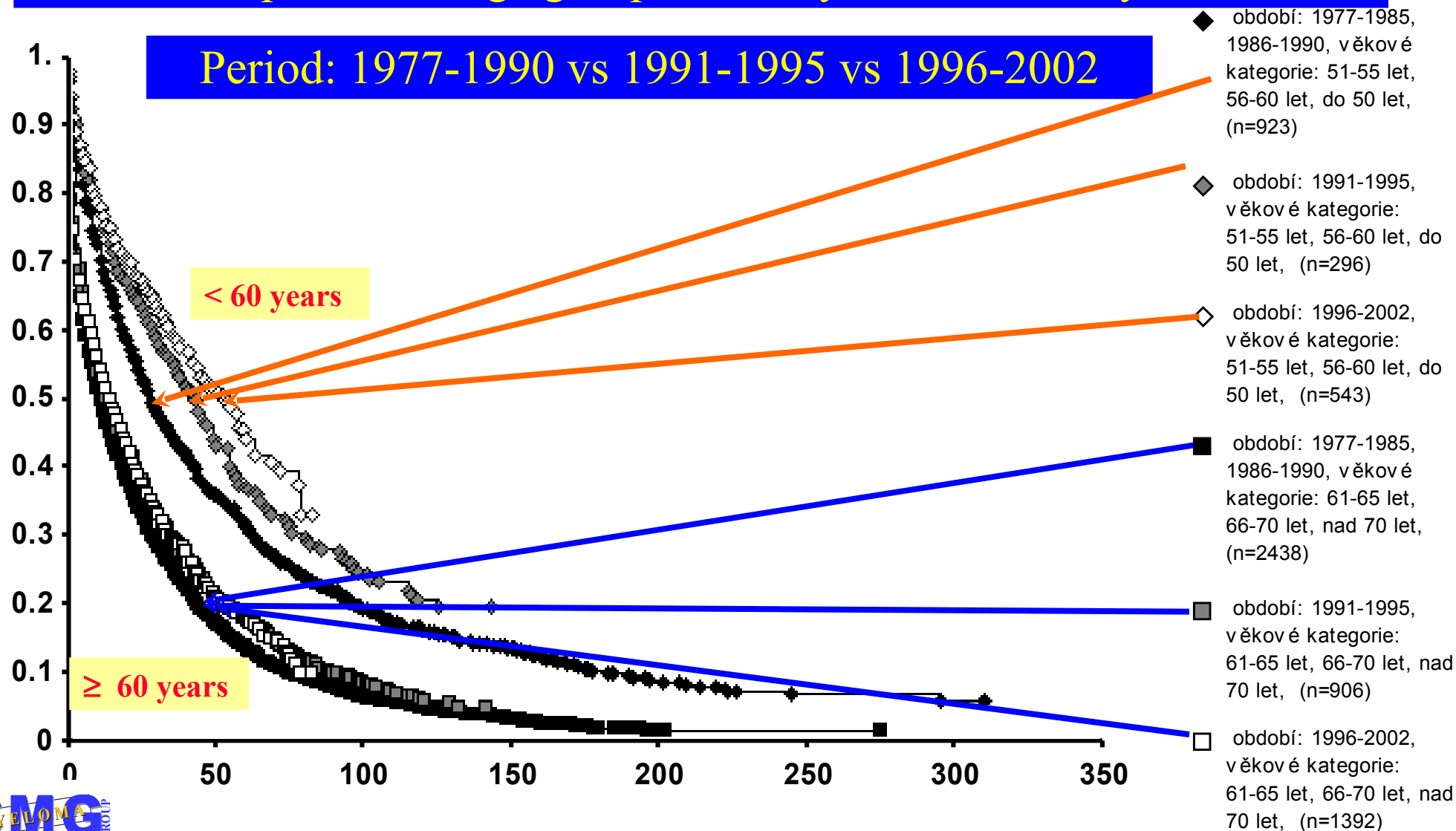


Response	N	Median OS (months)
CR+VGPR	101	36,5
other	80	35,0

Multiple Myeloma – NOR- Kaplan-Meier analysis of overall survival (OS)

Comparison of age groups : ≥ 60 years vs. < 60 years

Period: 1977-1990 vs 1991-1995 vs 1996-2002



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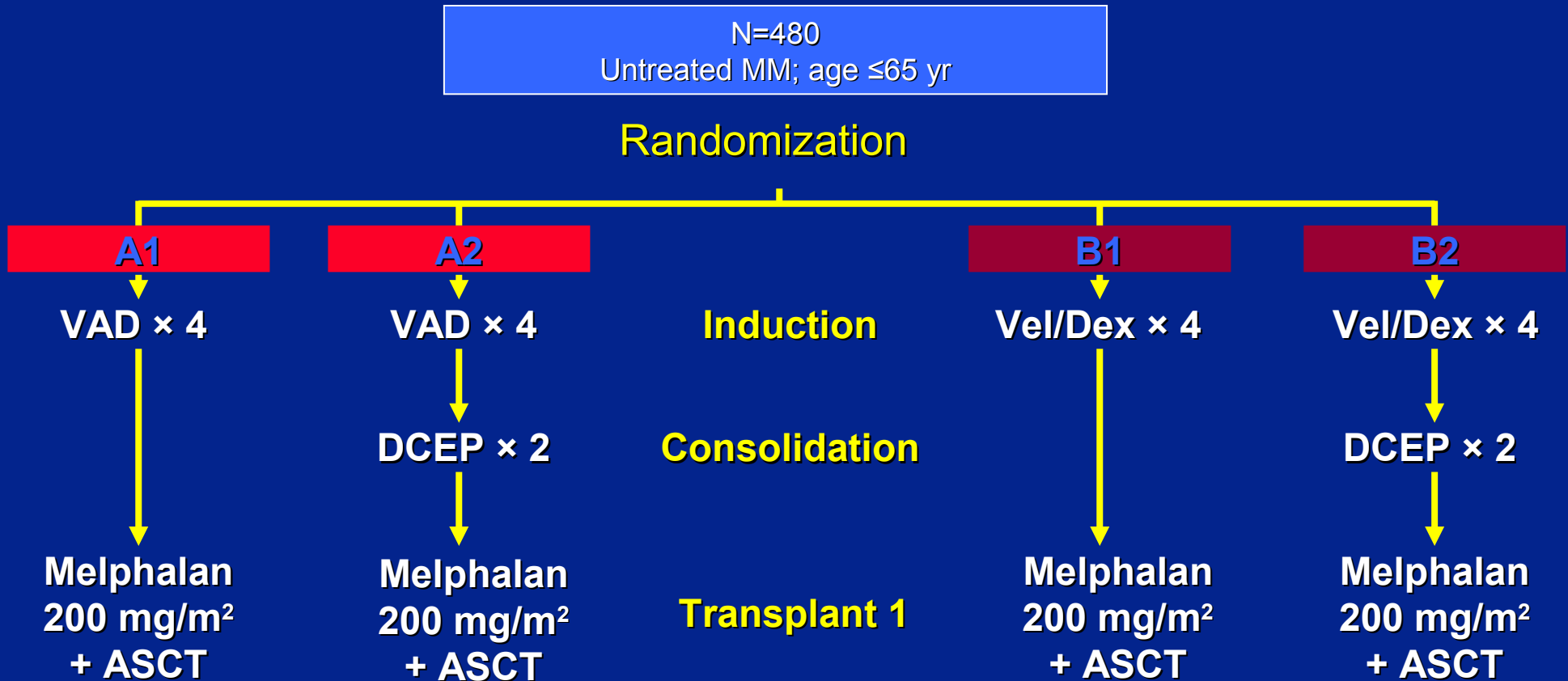
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4. Too toxic induction before AT
(drop out during VAD 10-20%)

ADDITIONAL LIMITATIONS:

- **Classical induction regimen VAD is too toxic and drop out of patients indicated for AT strategy was, and still is too high (10-20%).**
- **Thus, substantial part of patients is lost during induction treatment and these patients cannot benefit from AT.**

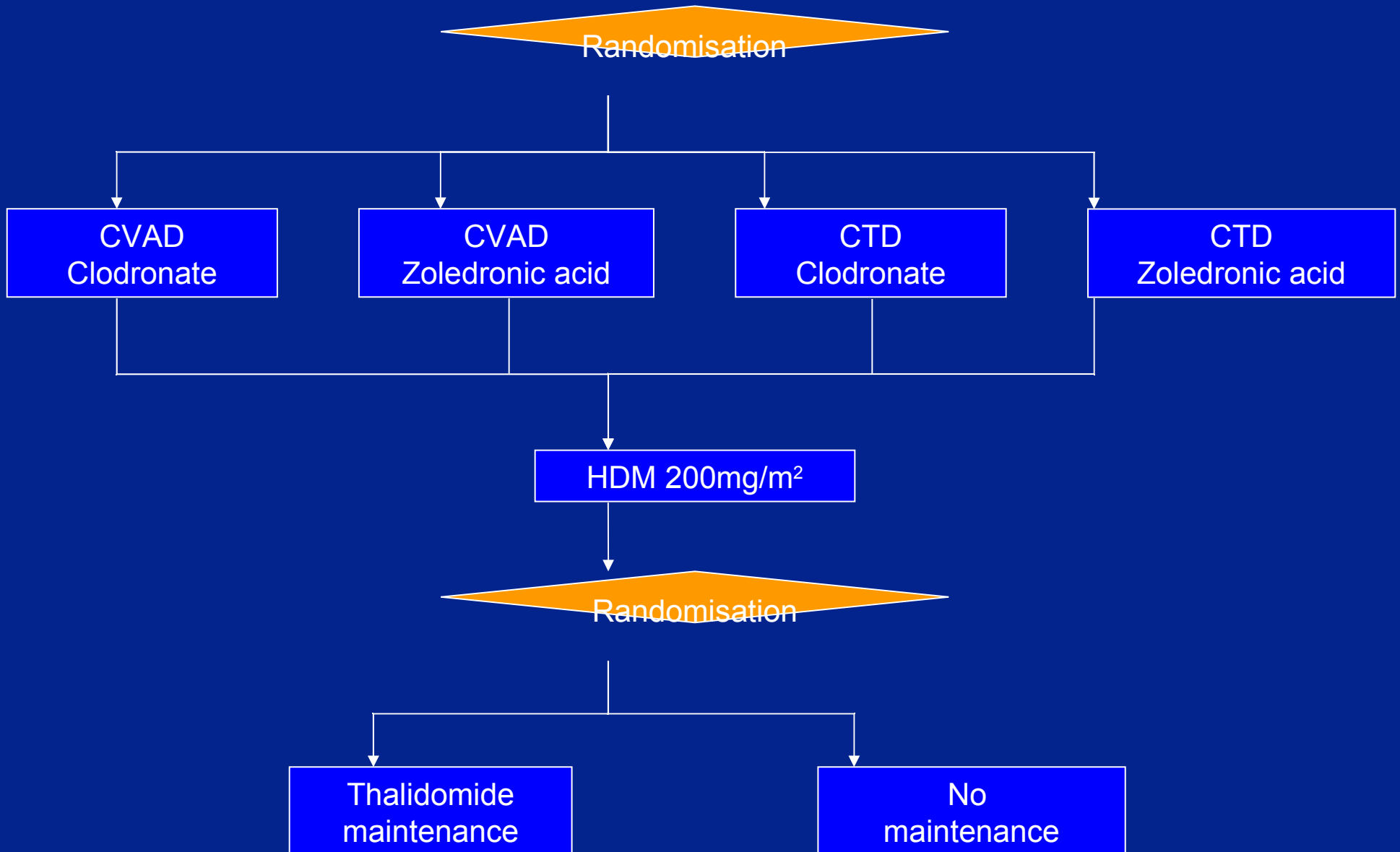
IFM 2005-01: Vel/Dex vs VAD as Induction Treatment in MM

Primary analysis: post-induction response in VAD (A1+A2) vs Vel/Dex (B1+B2)



Second ASCT or RIC allo if <VGPR

MRC IX TRIAL - Intensive pathway - schema



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(drop out during VAD 10-20%)
5. AT did not overcome cytogenetic negative prognostic factors

Frequency and prognostic power of chromosomal abnormalities

Abnormalities	MGUS (%)	MM (%)	Up -regulated oncogens	Prognosis impact
Del 17p13	<5	11	<i>TP53</i>	Negative ---
Del 13q14	20	48	<i>RB1</i> and others	Neutral + --
t(4;14) (p16 .3;q32)	2-10	15	<i>FGFR3</i> and <i>MMSET</i>	Negative ---
t(11 ;14)(q13;q32)	15 -30	16 -20	Cyclin D1 gene and <i>Myeov</i>	Positive or neutral +
t(14;16) (q32;q23)	2-5	5	<i>C-maf</i> and <i>WWOX</i>	Negative ---
Amplification 1q21	10 -15	42	<i>CKS1B</i> and others	Negative ---

Adopted from: Fonseca et al., 2004; Avet-Loiseau et al., 2007; Hanamura et al., 2006

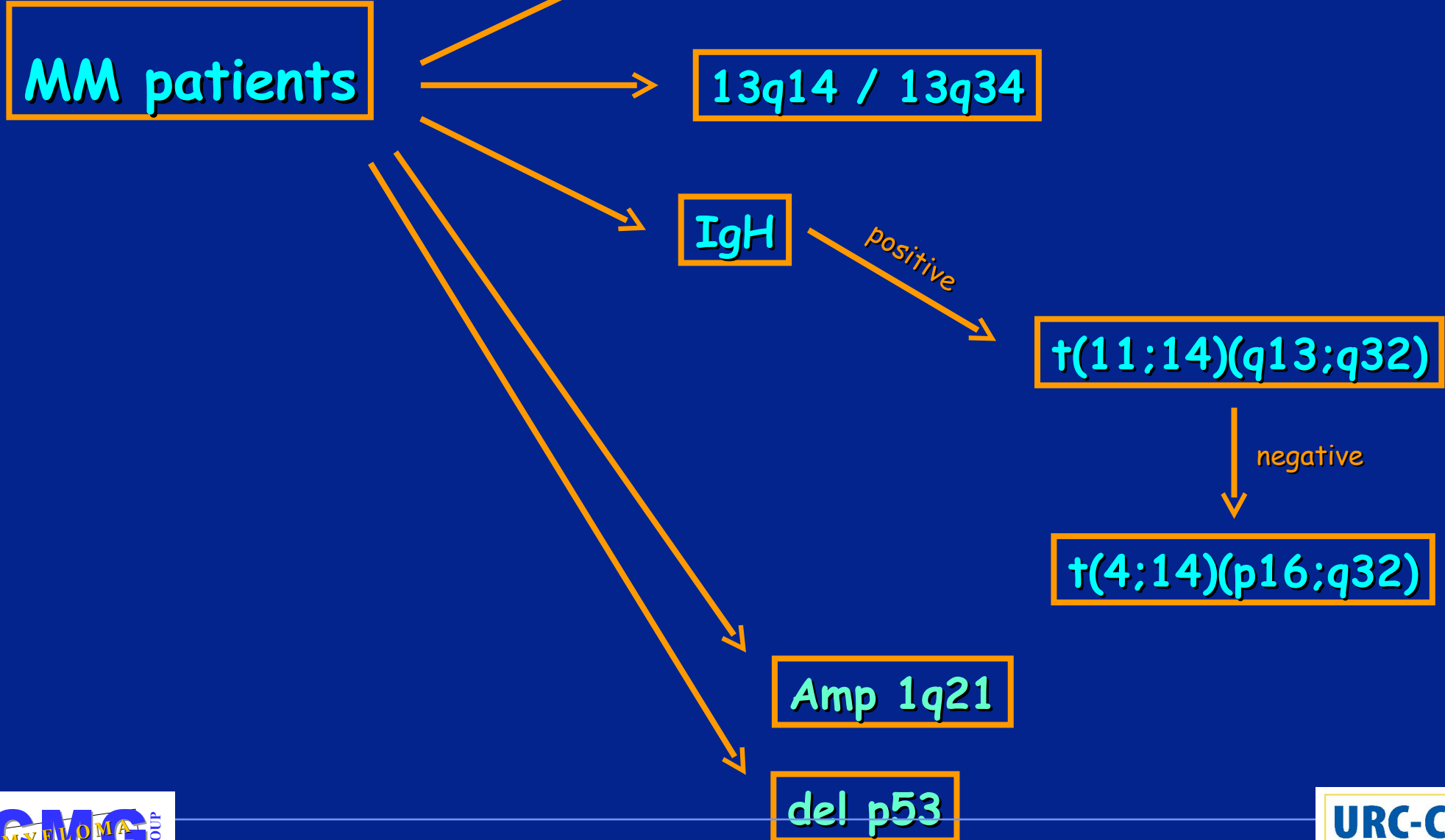
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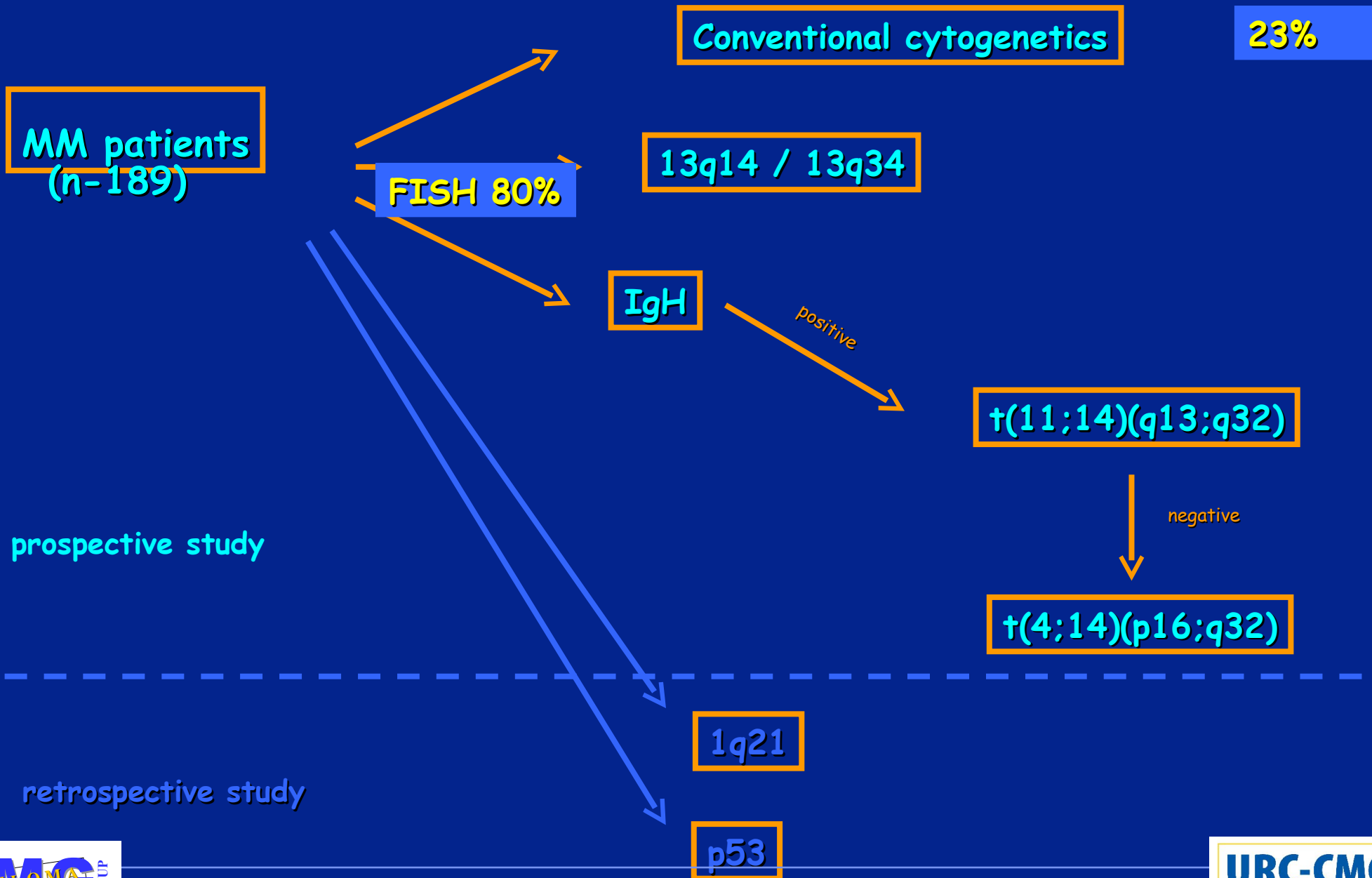
Autologous transplantation vs. chromosomal abnormalities

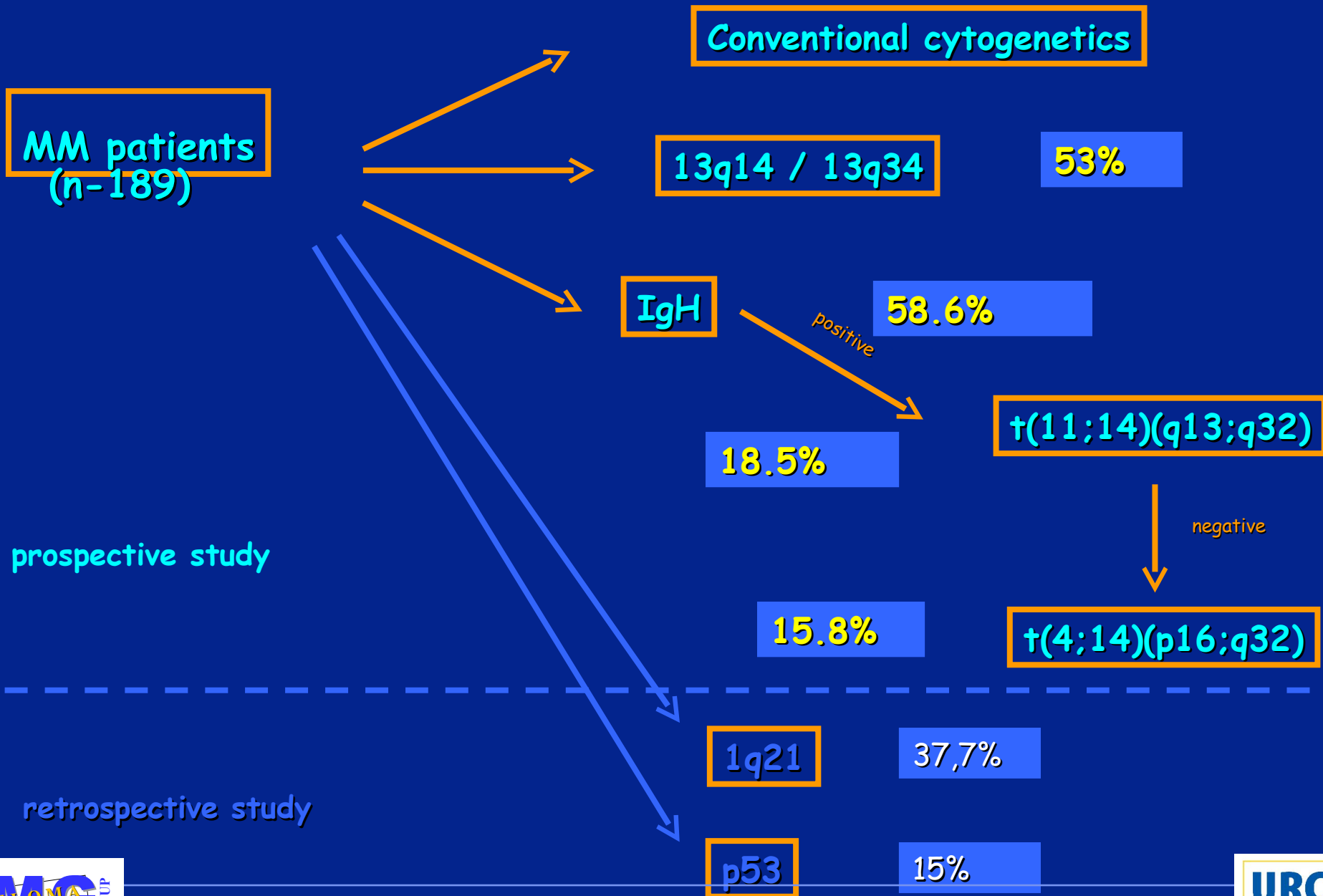
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FISH Probes portfolio for MM used in CMG 2002 trial







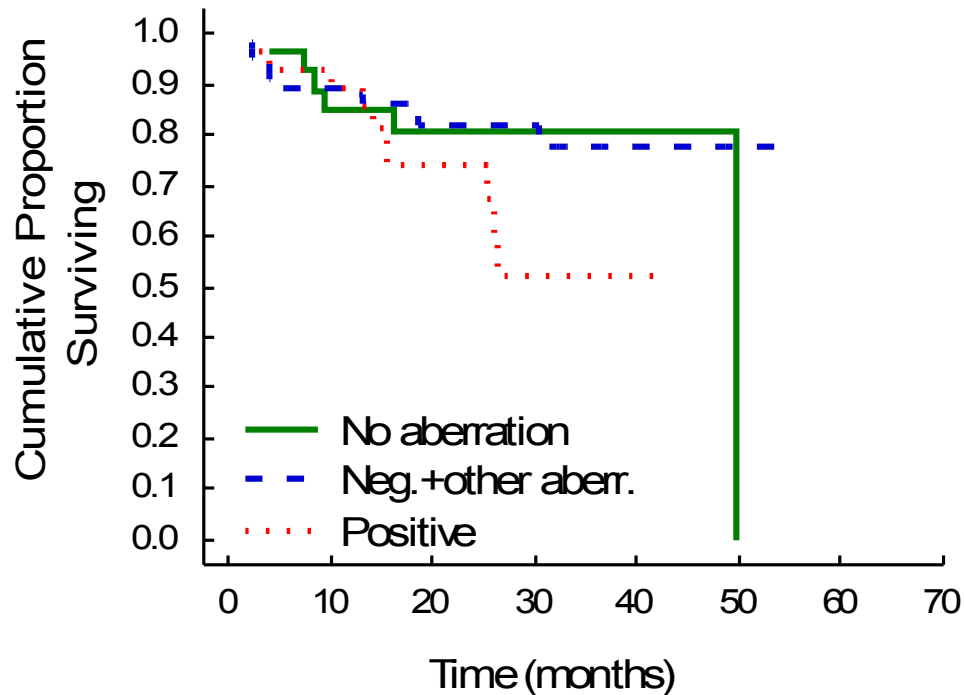
prospective study

retrospective study

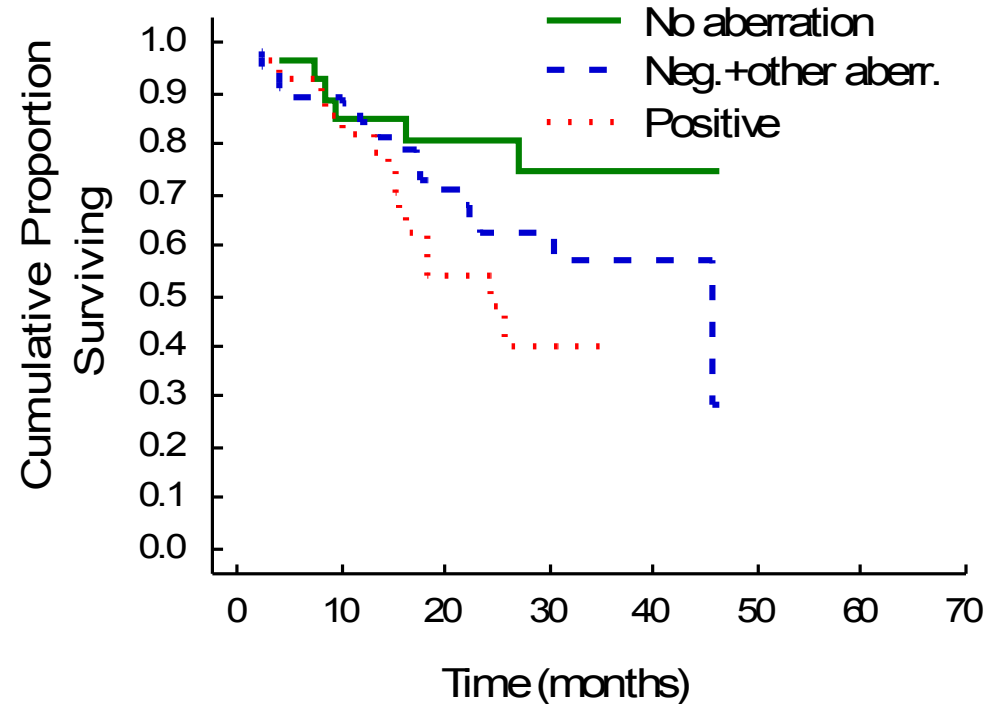
t(4:14)(p16;q32)

Translocation proved in **15.8%** of patients (cIg-FISH)

Overall survival



Progression-free survival

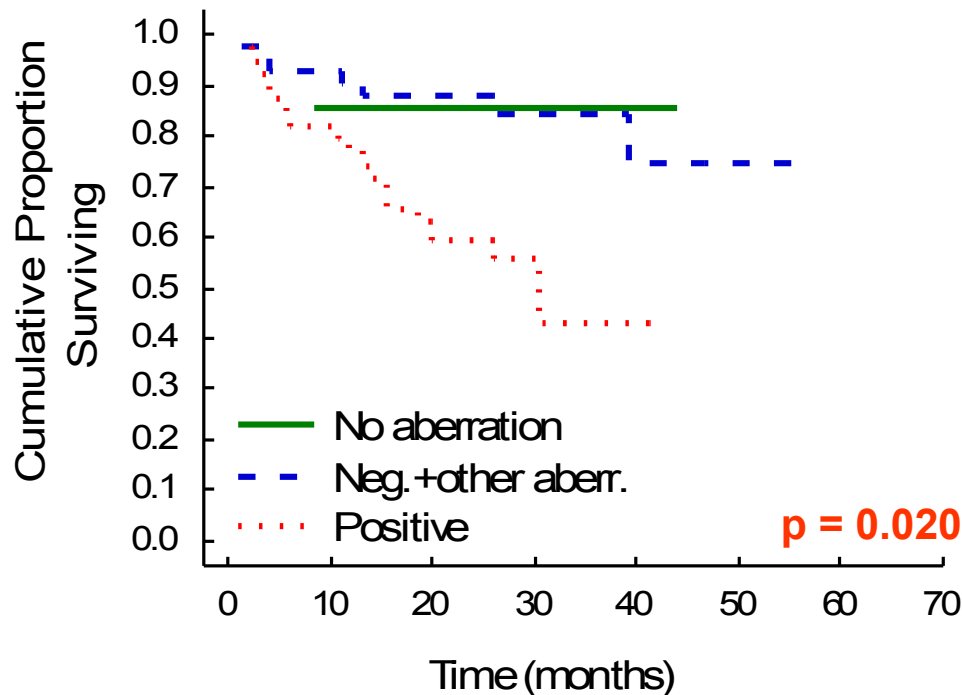


➔ Trend towards shorter OS a PFS

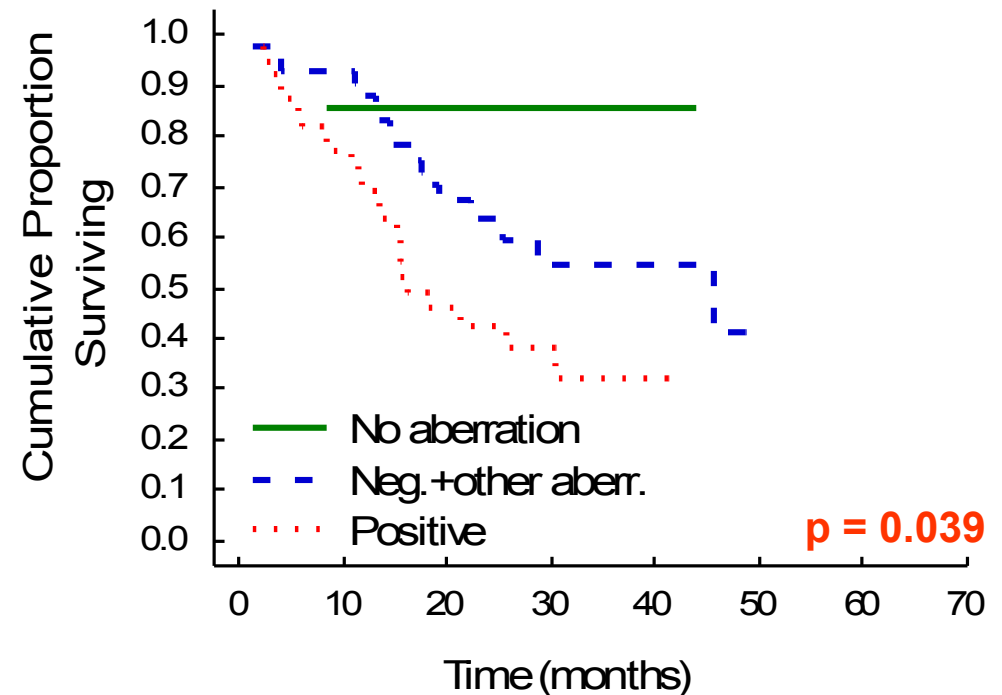
Gain of 1q21

Gain of 1q21 proved in **37.7%** of patients (cIg-FISH)

Overall survival



Progression-free survival



➔ **Statistic analysis proved significantly shorter PFS and OS in patients with gain of 1q21**

**ARE THE NEW DRUGS OVERCOME
NEGATIVE PROGNOSTIC FEATURE
OF KNOWN
CHROMOSOMAL ABNORMALITIES ?**

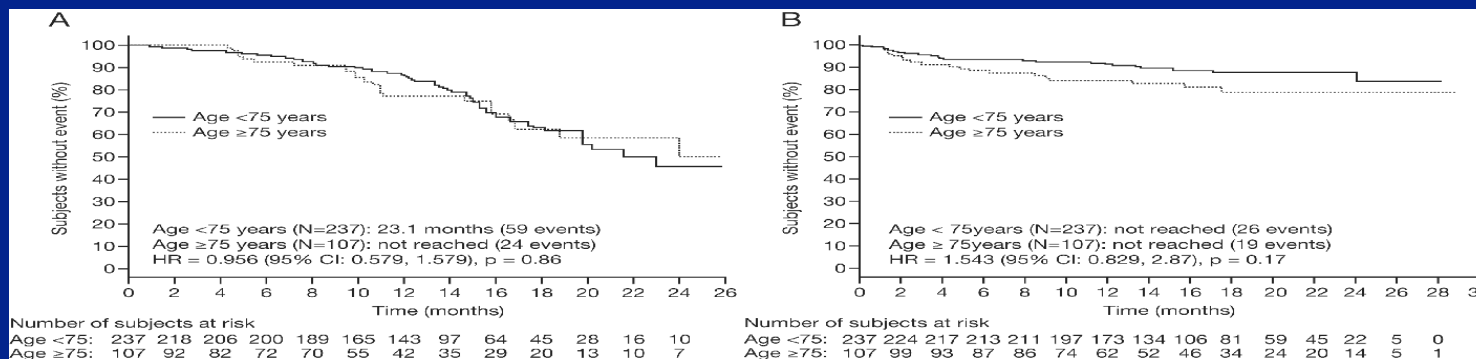
Bortezomib & chromosomal abnormalities

VISTA trial - bortezomib is effective in patients with standard-risk as well as high risk disease

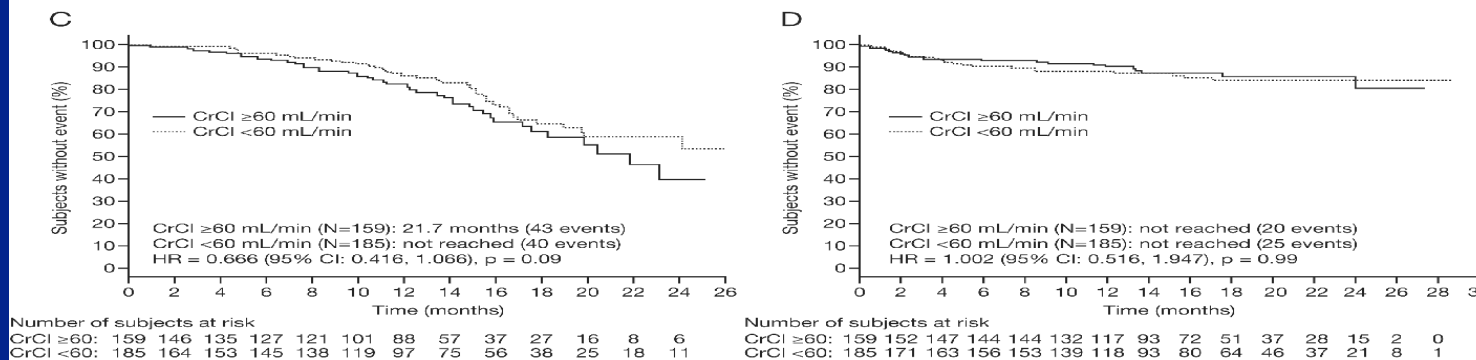
Time to progression

Overall survival

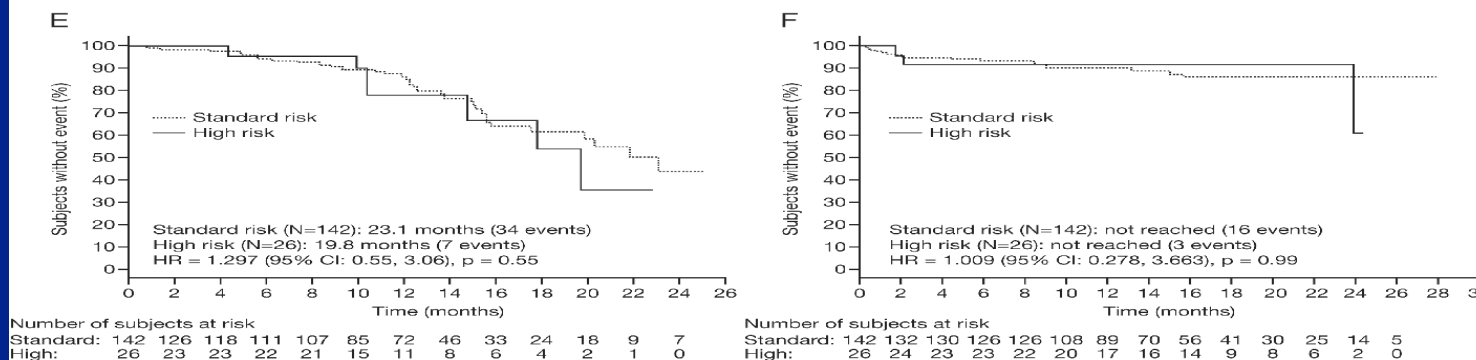
Age ≥ 75 vs. < 75 years



CrCl < 60 vs ≥ 60 mL/min



High-risk
t(4;14); t(14;16); del(17p)
vs.
Standard-risk
cytogenetics by FISH



LIMITS & CONCLUSION

There are several key limits of transplantation methods

1. Long term results
2. Availability and indication for patients
3. Benefit from AT is limited by age
4. Too toxic induction before AT
(drop out during VAD 10-20%)
5. AT did not overcome cytogenetic negative prognostic factors

**In real life only 1/4
of all patients with MM
benefits from AT**

FUTURE & TRANSPLANTATION

**Minimal space
for further improvement
of
this treatment method**

NEW DRUGS

NEW STRATEGIES

**HOW TO
OVERCOME
TRANSPLANT
LIMITATIONS**

**HOW TO
INTRODUCE
THE BENEFIT OF AT
TO ALL SUITABLE
PATIENTS**

NEW DRUGS

MP + novel agents: study results

	MPT (n=124) <i>Facon et al.</i>	MPT (n=129) <i>Palumbo et al.</i>	MPV (n=60) <i>Mateos et al.</i>	R-MP (n=50) <i>Palumbo et al.</i>
Age (>75years)	0	25%	47%	6%
Efficacy				
CR + PR	81%	76%	88%	85%
CR	15%	16%	32%	17%
EFS	29m	54% at 24m	82% at 16m	87% at 16m

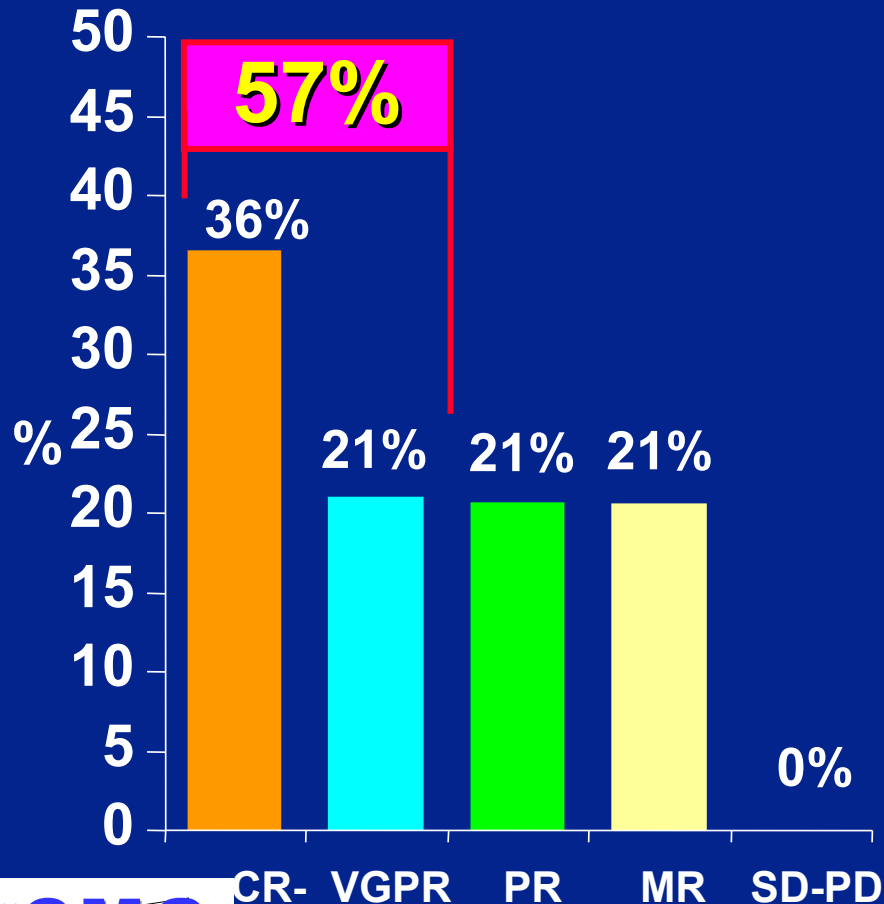
Palumbo et al. Lancet 2006; 367:825–31
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Mateos et al. Blood 2006;108:2165–72

V-MPT at 1° Relapse vs. MPT at Diagnosis

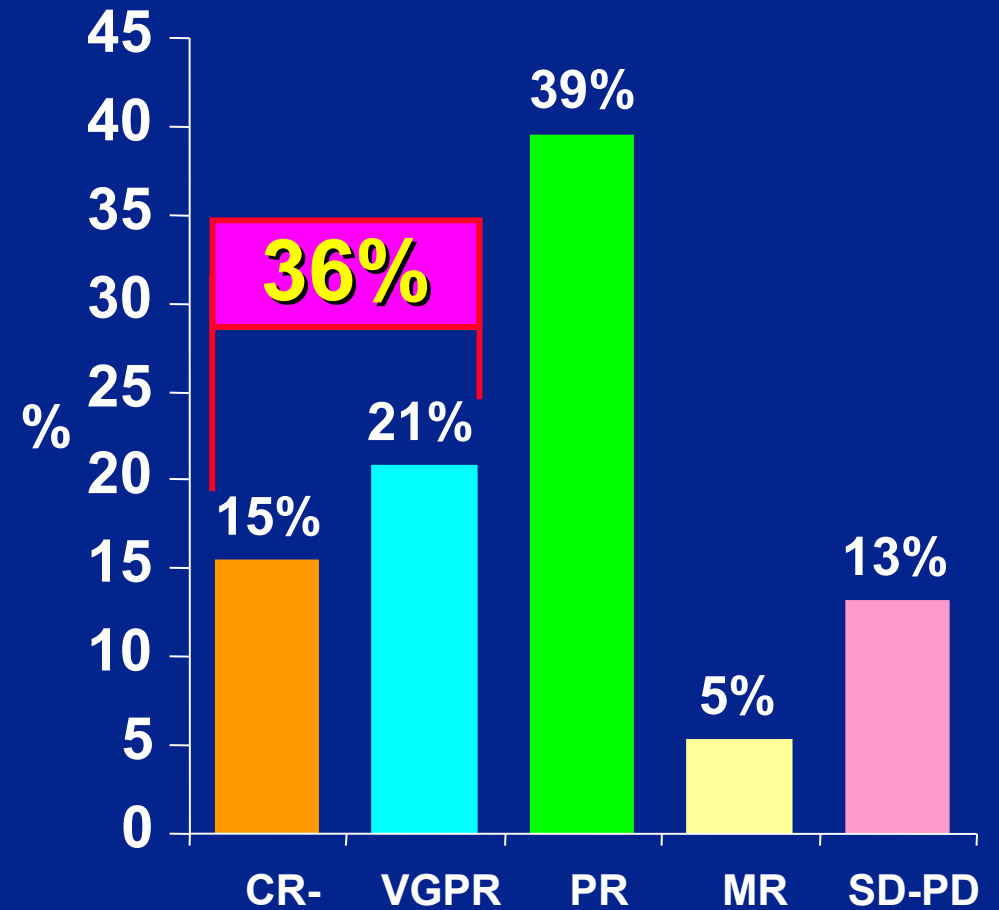
V-MPT [N=14]

1° Relapse



MPT (N=129)

Diagnosis



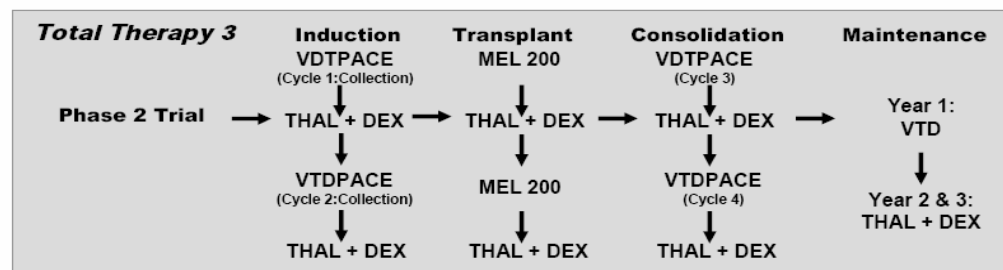
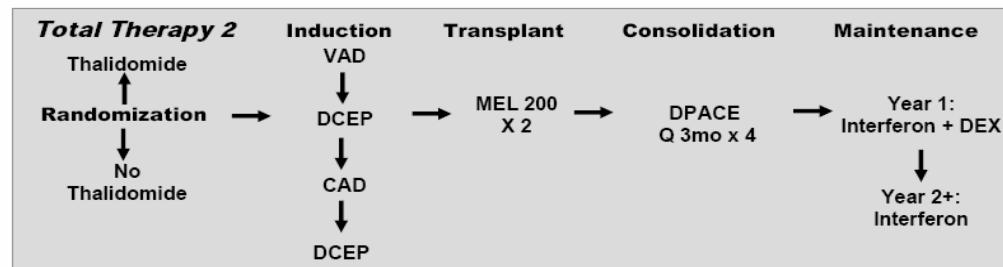
NEW DRUGS

NEW STRATEGIES

The most intensive treatment with new drugs and transplantation

Figure 1:

TREATMENT SCHEMA: TT3 V TT2 TT3: ADDED BORTEZOMIB & SHORTENED BOTH INDUCTION AND CONSOLIDATION



Progression through treatment phases was faster and completion of intended therapies greater in TT3 than TT2 (Figure 2).

TRIAL CMG 2008

Induction: RD 4 cycles

*(á 4 wks; lenalidomide 25 mg den 1-21,
dexamethasone 40 mg dny 1, 8, 15, 22)*

PBSC collection(CFA 3g/m²+ G-CSF)

Randomization 1:

**Arm A:
CRD 6 cyklů**

**Arm B:
ASCT (MEL 200)**

*CRD: Cyklofosfamid 300 mg/m² day 1, 8, 15; lenalidomide 25 mg
day 1-21; dexamethasone 40 mg den 1, 8, 15, 22*

NEW DRUGS

NEW STRATEGIES

**HOW TO
OVERCOME
TRANSPLANT
LIMITATIONS**

**1. Limited possibility to improve
results achieved
with
myeloablative regimen
MEL 200 mg/m²**

**2. The space for better results
is still large
in the methods
of
ALLO transplantation**

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**HOW TO
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THE BENEFIT OF AT
TO ALL SUITABLE
PATIENTS**

The role of guidelines, patients organizations?

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How the AT was introduced to patients with MM in Czech Republic in period 1995-2005

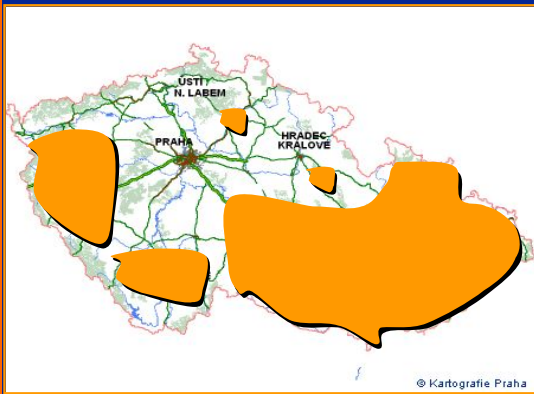
Lesson from Czech Myeloma Group

Clinical trials (4W, CMG2002) of CMG with AT in period 1995-2005

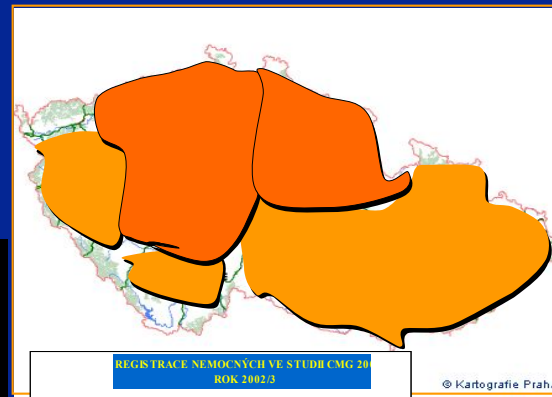
- Year 1995

- Year 2000

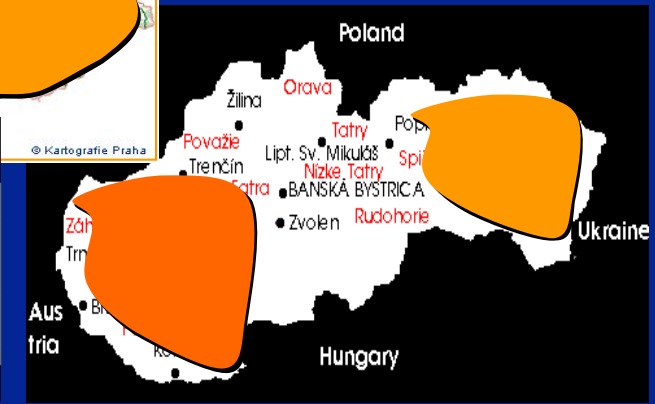
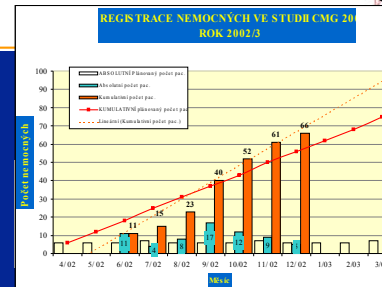
- Year 2005



4W



CMG 2002



INDICATION OF AT IN CZECH REPUBLIC

(% of indicated pts. from all potentially suitable pts. for AT program)

- YEAR 1995

0 %

- YEAR 2000

60 %

- YEAR 2005

80 %

ACCURATE AND MAXIMAL ENROLMENT TO TRANSPLANTATION PROGRAM

KEY FOR EVERYDAY ROUTINE:

**EFFECTIVE AND SHORT TRANSMISSION OF
CLINICAL TRIALS RESULTS INTO EVERYDAY USE
WITH POSITIVE BENEFIT FOR THE PATIENTS.**

OBJECTIVES INTEGRITY:

STRENGTHENING OF SPECIALIZED NETWORK

PHYSICIAN KNOW-HOW AND EDUCATION

PATIENT KNOW-HOW AND EDUCATION

**FUNCTIONAL AND EFFECTIVE CONNECTION
OF REGIONS WITH SPECIALIZED CENTERS**

CONCLUSIONS

**AT has the crucial benefit for
the patient with MM
at age under 60**

Benefit of AT is limited in real life

1. There are several limitations of AT
2. Consequently, only $\frac{1}{4}$ of all patients with MM can profit from AT in real life

Benefit of AT is limited in real life

- **Limited possibility to improve results achieved with myeloablative regimen **MEL 200 mg/m²****
- **Still space for improvement of allogeneic methods**
- **Trends to combine AT with new drugs seems to be good logic step forward**

How can myeloma organizations help?

It is very important, if any of tested therapies is considered as new perspective treatment.

The more important is, if the most patients can benefit from this treatment in short time period.

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