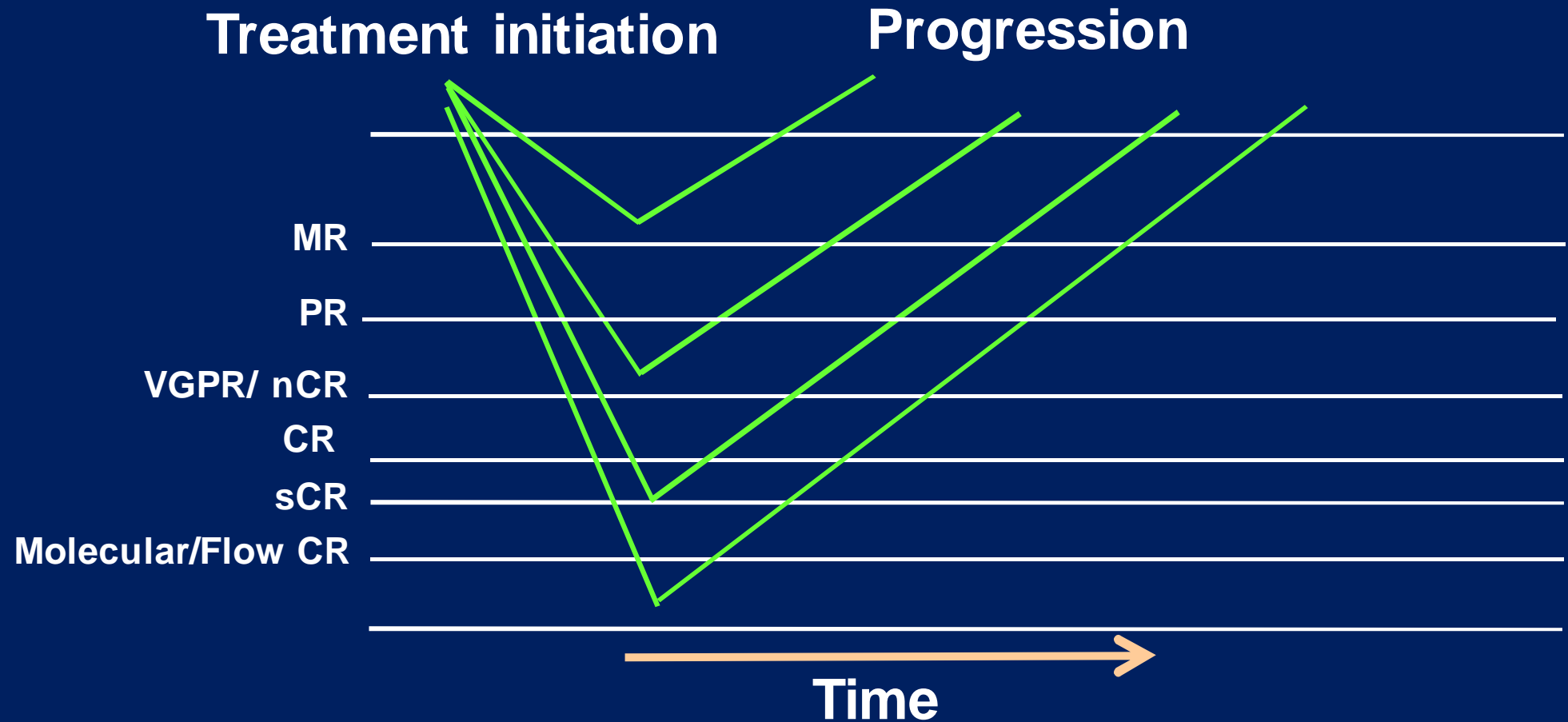




## **News in the therapy of multiple myeloma after ASH 2011**

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# Which level of response is the goal upon treatment for relapse ?



## Depth of response related to TTP ?

Adapted from: Niesvizky et al. *Br J Haematol* 2008; 143(1): 46–53; Harousseau et al. *Blood* 2009; 114(15): 3139-46  
Chanan-Khan et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010; 28(15): 2612-24

# Importance of achieving high-quality response in the transplant setting

- A number of studies/analyses have demonstrated a link between high-quality response and outcome
  - **Meta-analysis of 21 studies<sup>1</sup>**
    - Significant association between maximal response and long-term outcome
  - **IFM 2005-01 trial: VD vs VAD<sup>2</sup>**
    - Achievement of VGPR after induction therapy a significant prognostic factor for PFS<sup>2</sup>
  - **MRC Myeloma IX trial: CTD vs CVAD<sup>3</sup>**
    - Achievement of CR associated with improved PFS
  - **GIMEMA trial: VTD vs TD<sup>4</sup>**
    - Achievement of CR/nCR significant prognostic factor for PFS

1. van de Velde et al. *Haematologica* 2007;92:1399–406

2. Moreau et al. *Blood* 2011;117(11):3041-3044

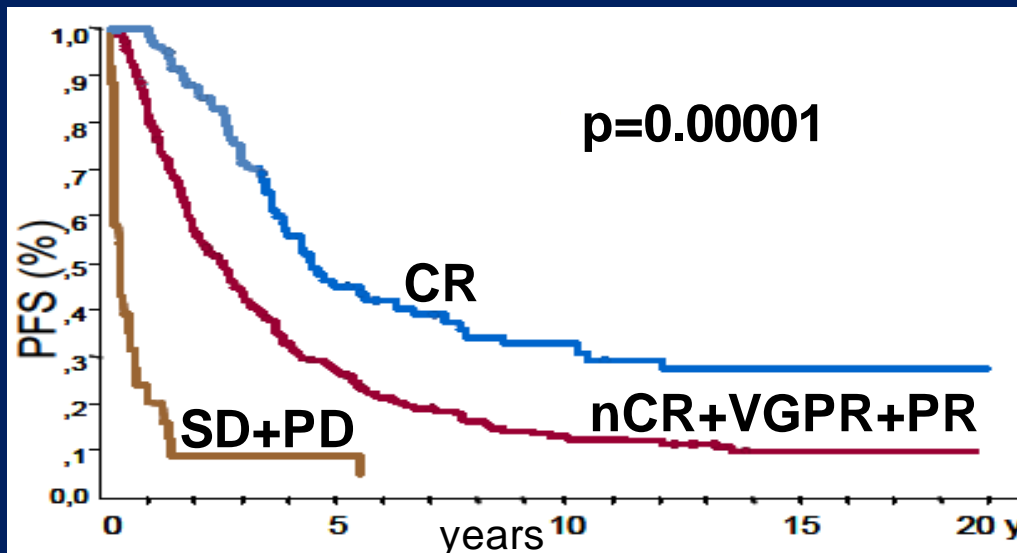
3. Morgan et al. *Haematologica* 2011 Epub, 4 November

4. Cavo et al. *Lancet* 2010;376:2075-85

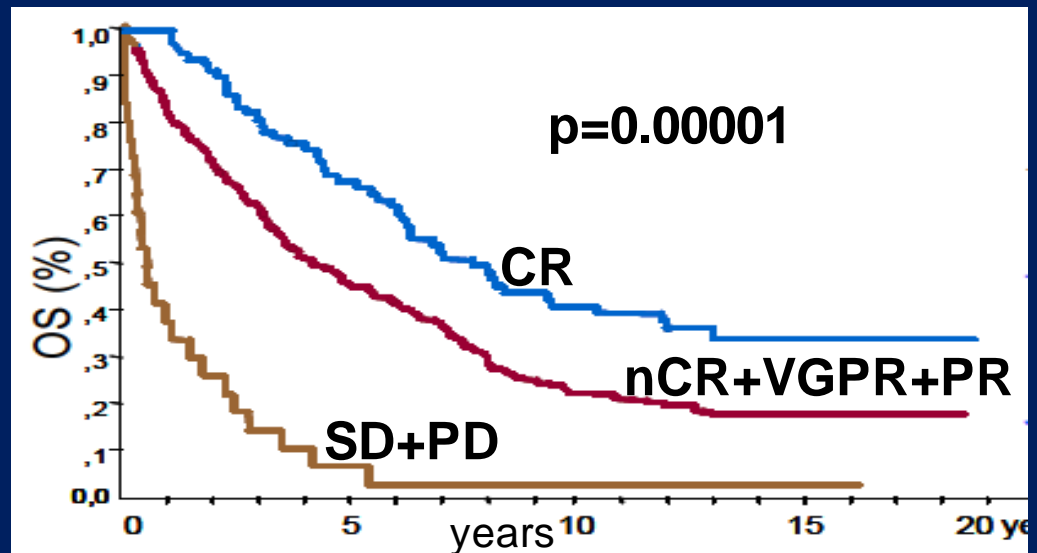
# Importance of achieving high-quality response in the transplant setting

Prognostic impact of CR vs nCR/VGPR/PR vs SD/PD after high dose therapy plus ASCT (n=344)

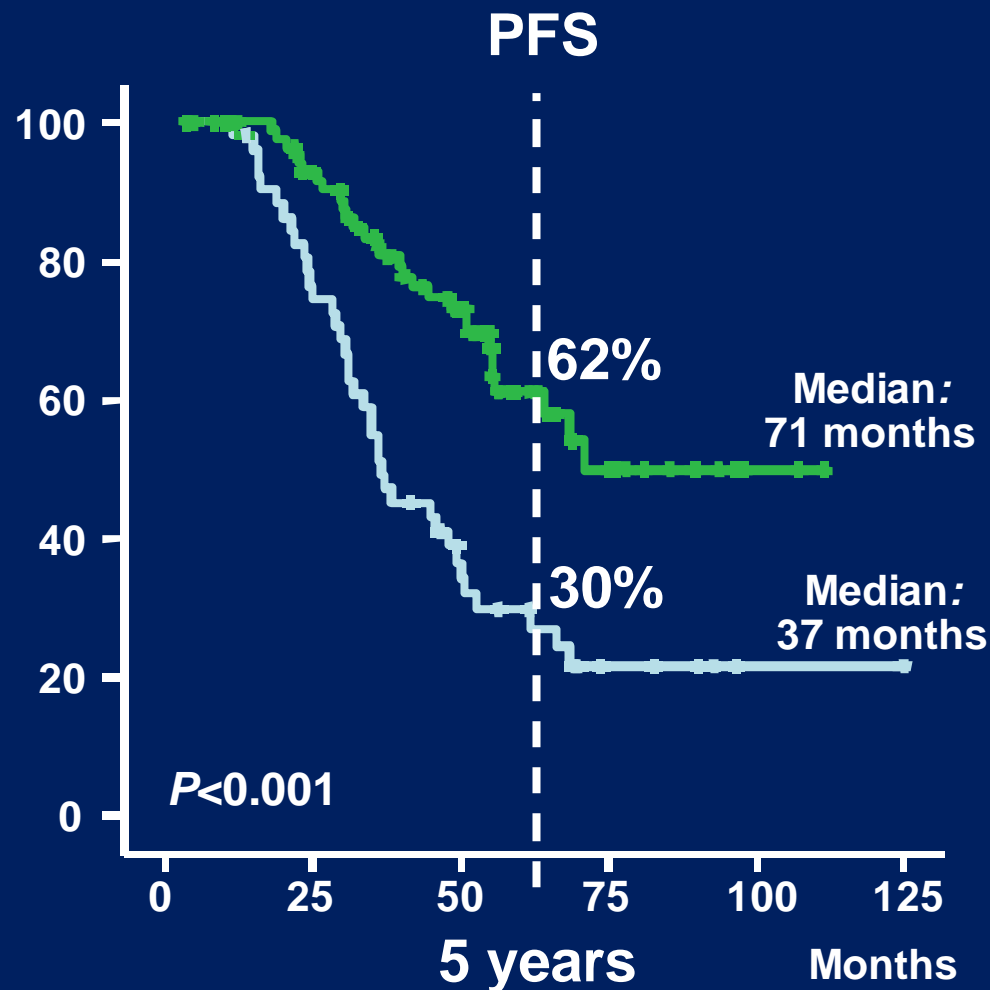
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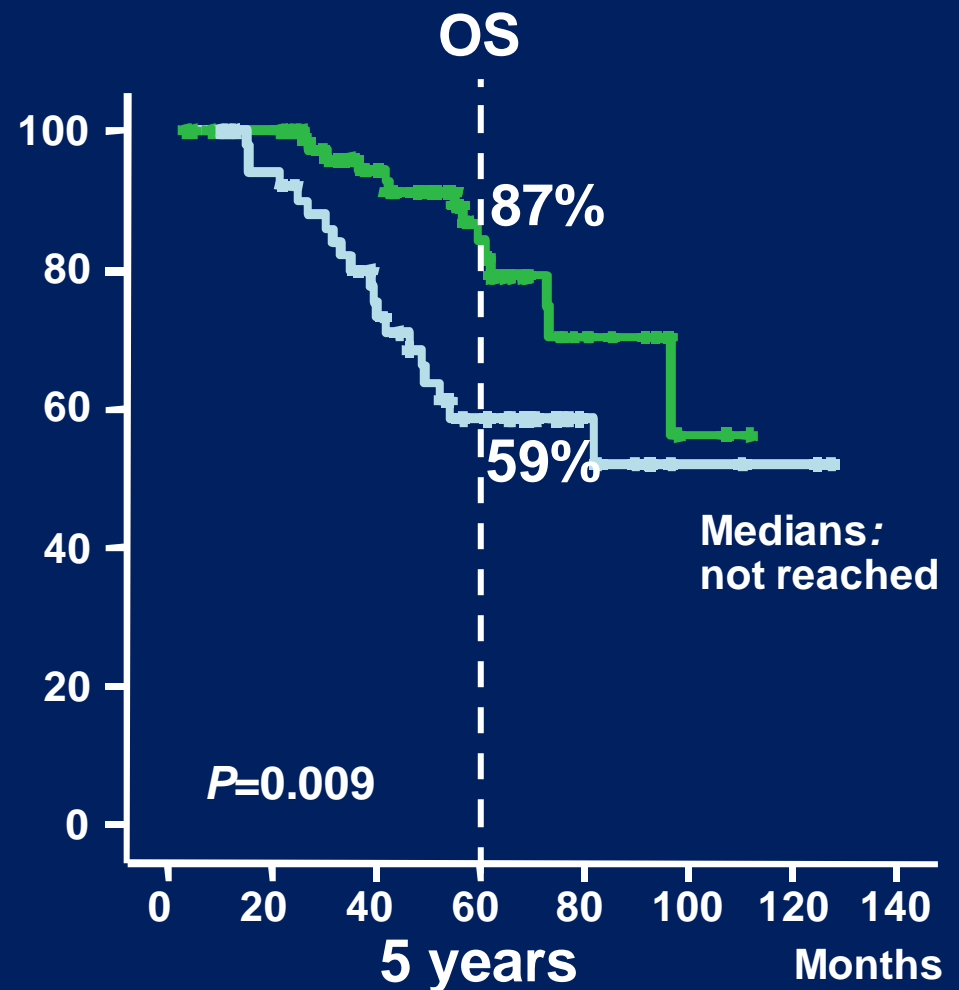
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# Impact of post-ASCT MRD detected by flow cytometry on clinical outcomes



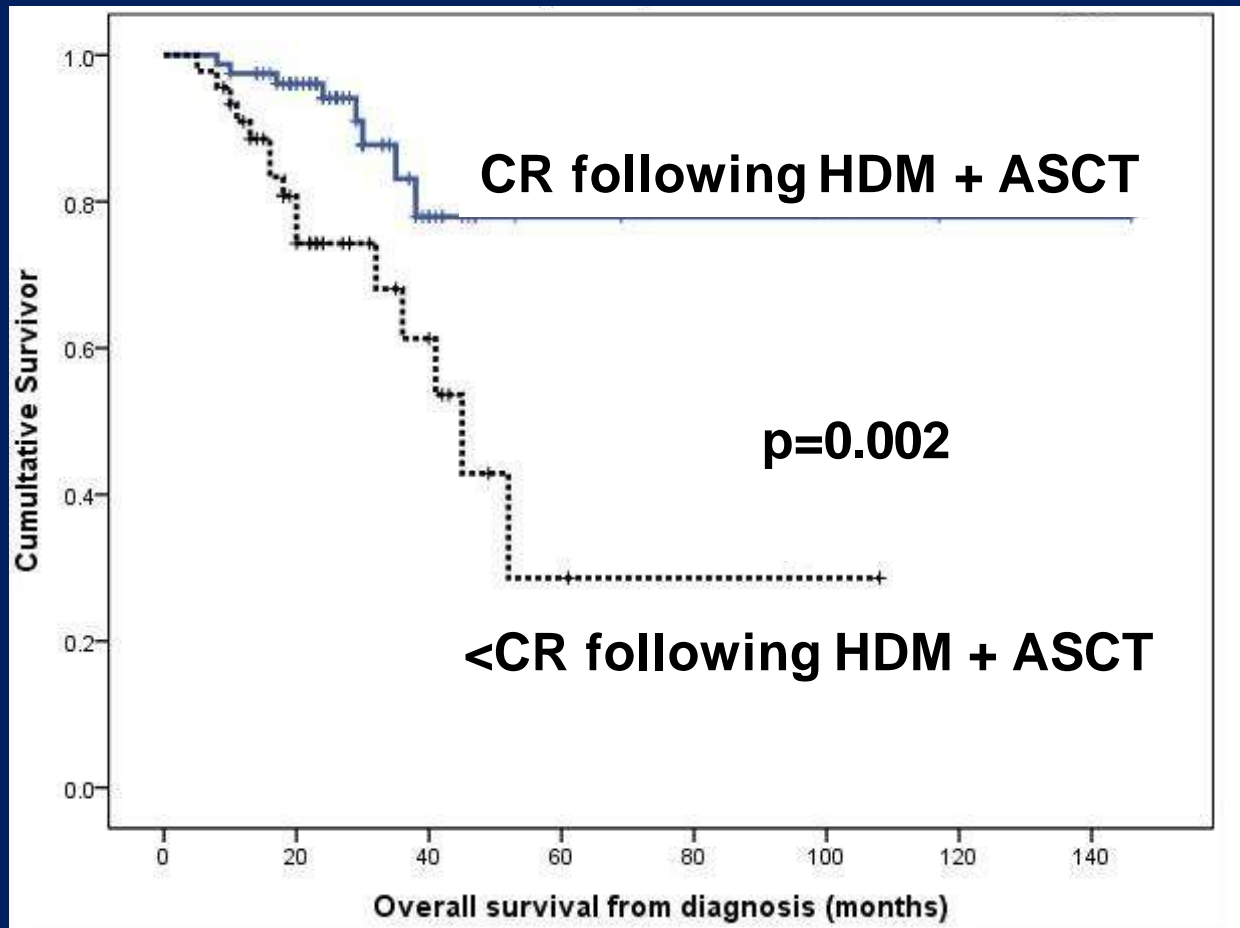
MRD negative (n=94)



MRD positive (n=53)

# Importance of achieving CR post-transplant

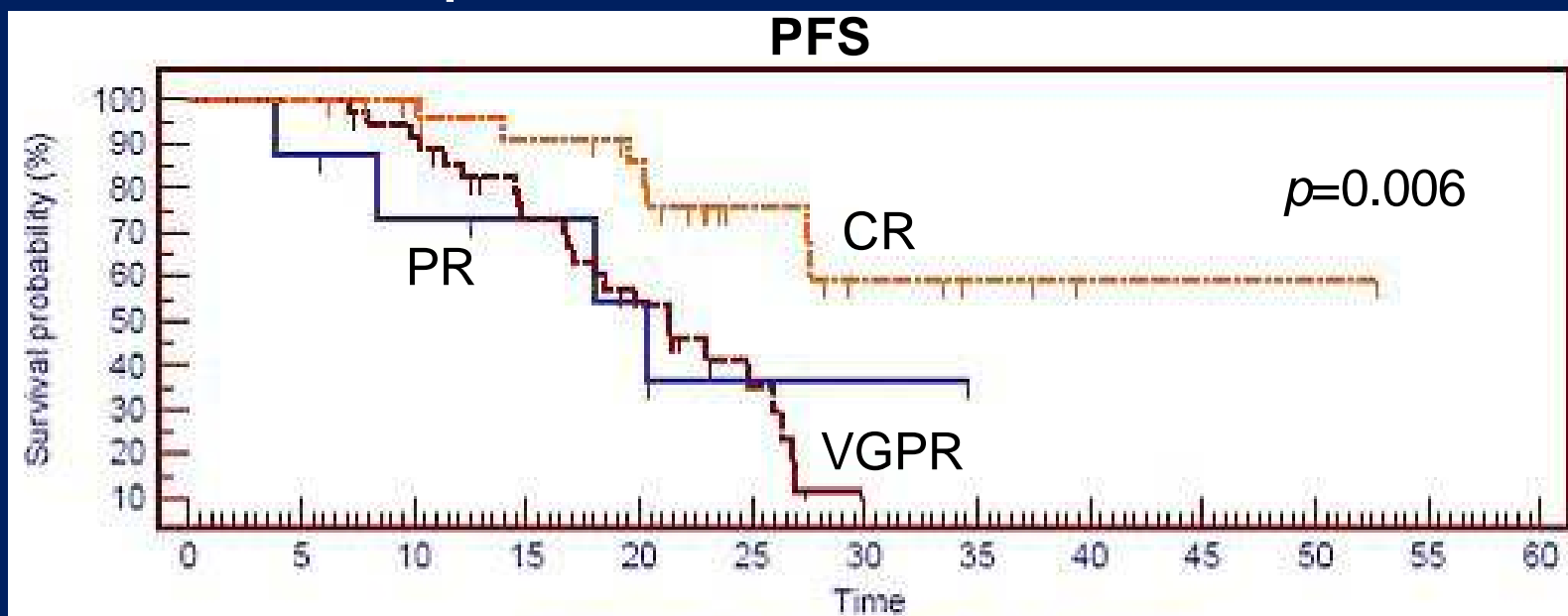
Retrospective analysis (n=126)



**Achievement of CR post-ASCT is the only important prognostic regardless of response following induction**

# CR as major endpoint after consolidation

- **Prospective single center study**
  - Patients (n=76) receiving consolidation if: 1)  $\geq$  PR after HDM, 2) no grade  $\geq$  2 PN
  - Treatment: vTD 61%, lenalidomide 23%, Len/dex 13%, VRD 3%
- **Results**
  - Median follow up 20 months



- Patients with VGPR after HDM who upgrade response to CR after consolidation have longer PFS than who remain in VGPR (28 vs 20 mos,  $p=0.032$ )

# Importance of achieving high-quality response in the non-transplant setting

- Link between quality of response and outcome has also been shown in the elderly population
  - CR correlates with long-term PFS and OS in elderly patients treated with novel agents<sup>1</sup>
  - Achieving an immunophenotypic response translates into superior PFS and TTP compared with conventional CR or sCR<sup>2</sup>

1. Gay et al. *Blood* 2011; 117(11): 3025-3031

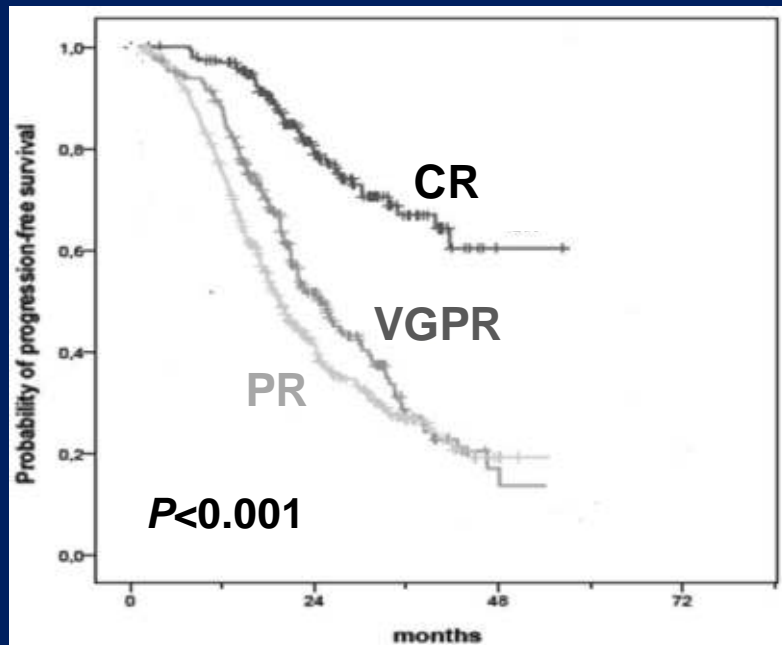
2. Paiva et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2011;29(12):1627-1633



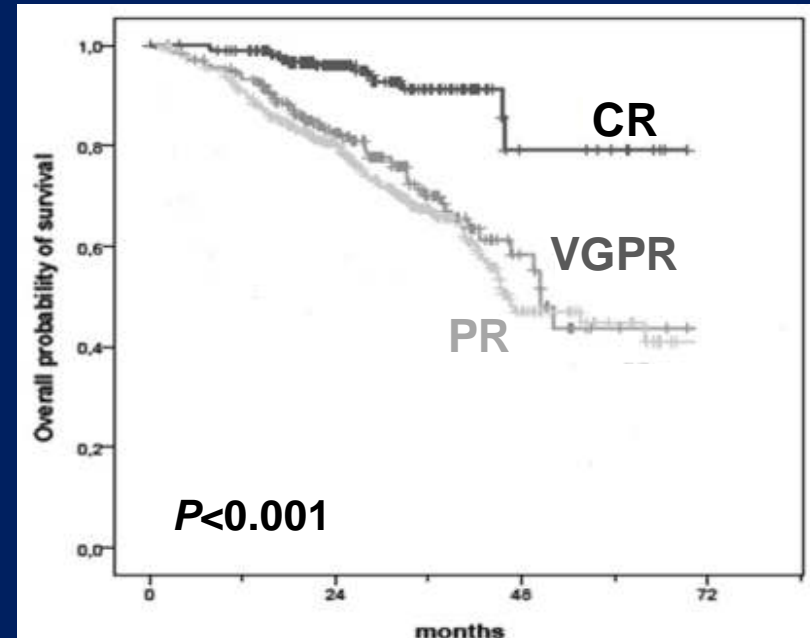
# CR correlates with long-term PFS and OS in elderly patients treated with novel agents

- Retrospective analysis:
  - 3 randomized trials of GIMEMA and HOVON groups (n=1175)
- First-line treatment  
MP (n=332), MPT (n=332), VMP (n=257), VMPT-VT (n=254)

**PFS**

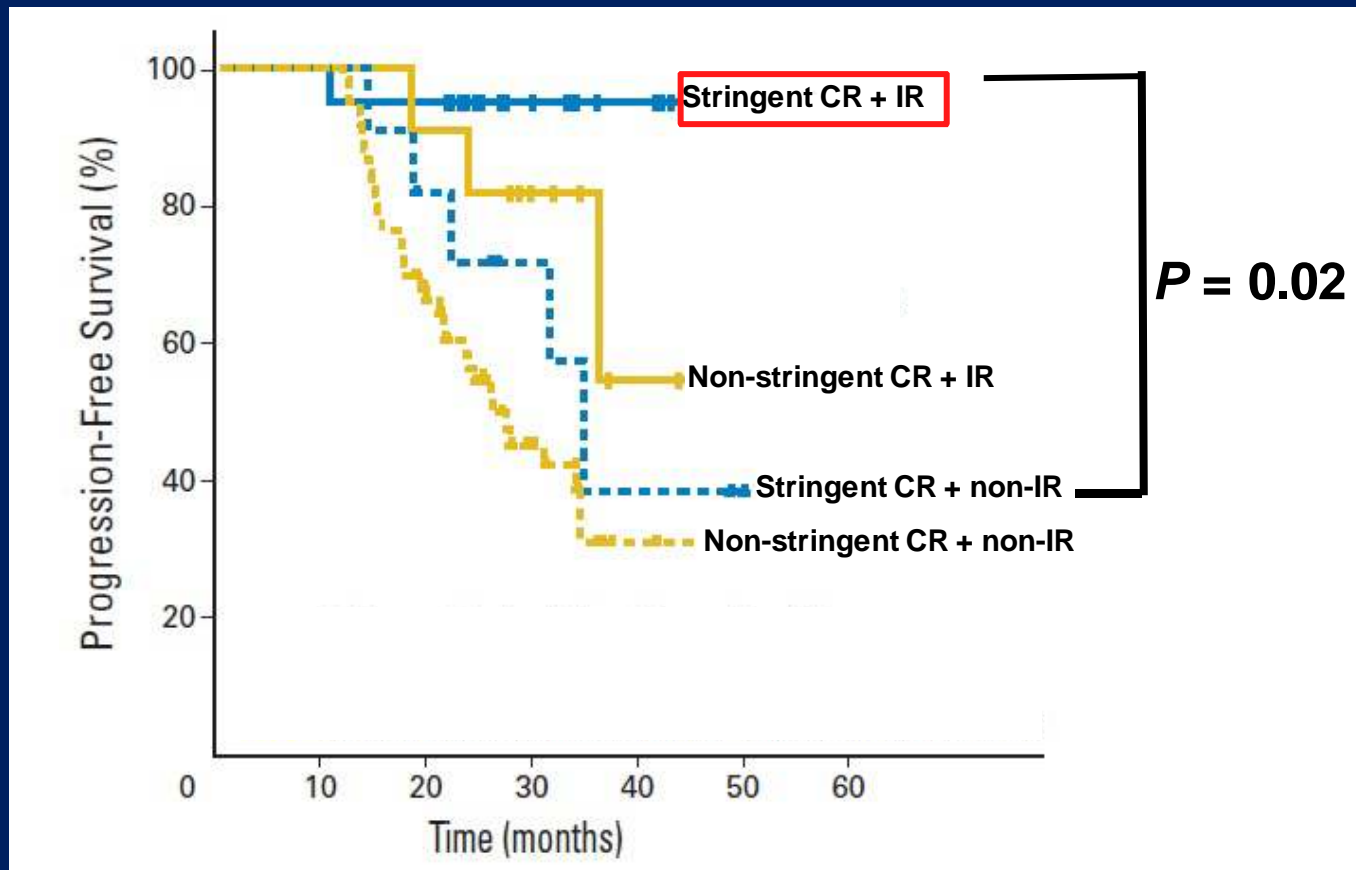


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# Impact of achieving immunophenotypic response on long-term outcome in elderly patients

- Analysis of GEM2005>65y trial: VMP-VT/VP vs VTP-VT/VP in front-line
  - Patients (>65 years) with  $\geq$ PR after 6 cycles of VMP or VTP (n=102)



**Longest PFS for patients in stringent CR plus IR**

# Which level of response is necessary?

- Importance of MRD evaluation by multiparameter flow cytometry (MFC)<sup>1</sup>
  - MRD status by MFC at day 100 post-ASCT most important independent prognostic factor for PFS
- Comparison of immunofixation, serum free light chain, and immunophenotyping for response evaluation and prognostication in MM<sup>2</sup>
  - Achieving an immunophenotypic response translates into superior PFS and TTP compared with conventional CR or sCR

1. Paiva et al. *Blood* 2008;112(10):4017–4023

2. Paiva et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2011;29(12):1627-1633

# Prognostic implications of PET/CT-defined CR

- **18 F-FDG PET/CT:** technique to detect the presence of active bone lesions and/or bone marrow involvement with high sensitivity and specificity
- **Patients (n=192)** with newly diagnosed MM undergoing ASCT
- **Results**
  - PET-CR (PET/CT negativity) after ASCT conferred superior PFS and OS

	<b>PET-CR</b>	<b>No PET-CR</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>4-year PFS</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>0.02</b>
<b>4-year OS</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>0.02</b>

# Prognostic implications of PET/CT-defined CR

- Relationship between conventional definitions and PET-CT

	<b>PET-CR</b>	<b>No PET-CR</b>	<b>p</b>
4-year PFS in patients with CR according to conventional criteria	61%	30%	0.02
Mean time to relapse/progression in pts with with conventionally-defined relapse or progression	27.6 months	18 months	0.05

- Conclusions
  - PET-defined CR is an independent prognostic factor
  - PET/CT contributed to a more careful definition of CR

# Should CR be a treatment endpoint for all patients?

- There are myeloma patients who **achieve CR but relapse early** on ('rapid responders - early relapsing') †
- In most cases, MM is preceded by MGUS and some cases **revert to an 'MGUS profile'** after treatment ‡
- There are patients with '**non-responding, non-progressive'** disease' ¥

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† *Similar to some aggressive NHL subtypes; these MM patients may benefit from intensive-sequential therapy*

‡ *Monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis in 5% of adults >60 years (Rawström NEJM 2008, 359:575)*

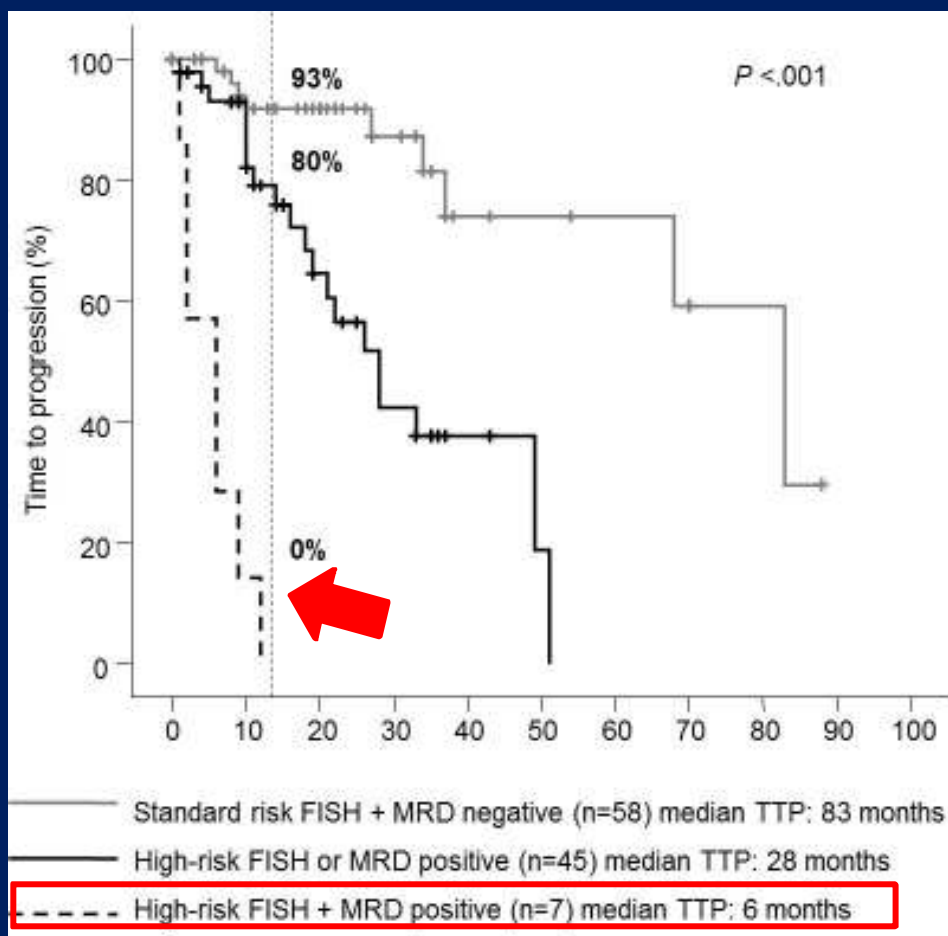
¥ *Avoid over-treatment*

# Prognostic markers for the prediction of early relapse in patients with CR after ASCT

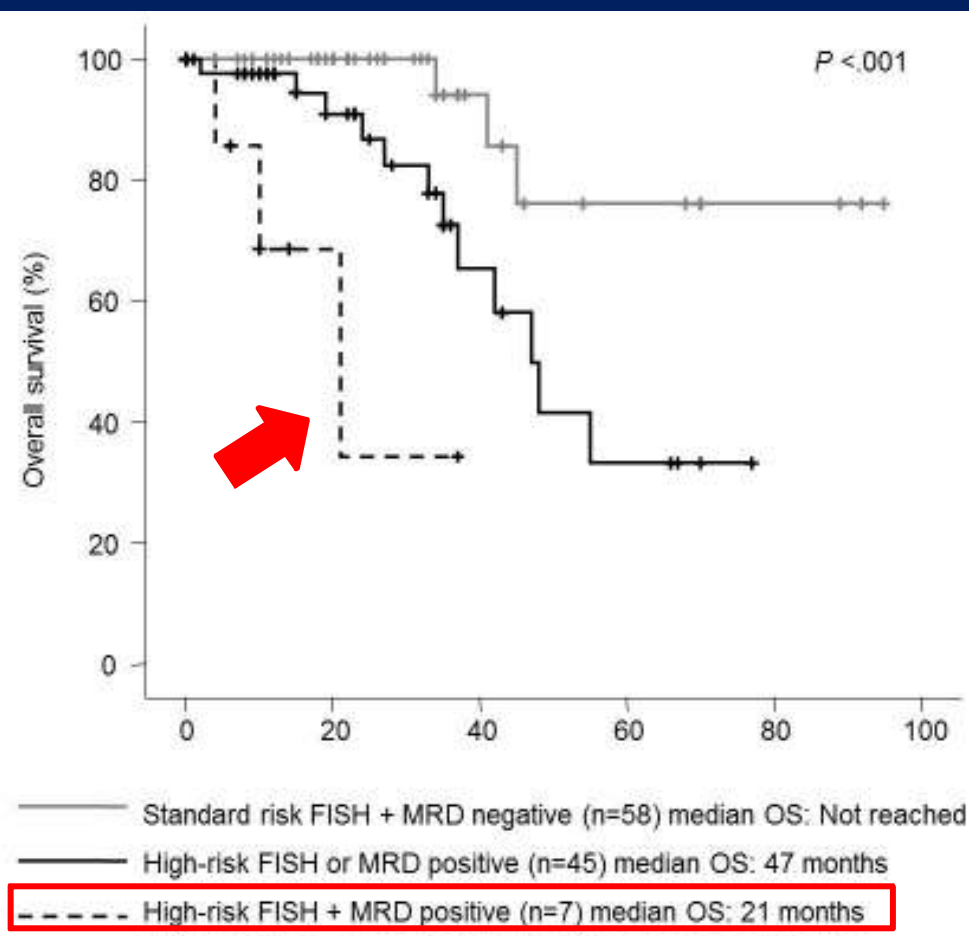
- **Patients** (n=241) in CR in two GEM/PETHEMA trials
  - GEM2000: VBMCP/VBAD (n=140)
  - GEM2005<65y: Thal/dex vs Bortezomib/thal/dex vs VBMCP/VBAD + bortezomib (n=101)
- **Establishing a predictive index to predict early relapse in patients with CR based on**
  - Baseline evaluation of cytogenetic abnormalities
  - Response assessment by MRD after HDT/ASCT

# Prognostic markers for the prediction of early relapse in patients with CR after ASCT

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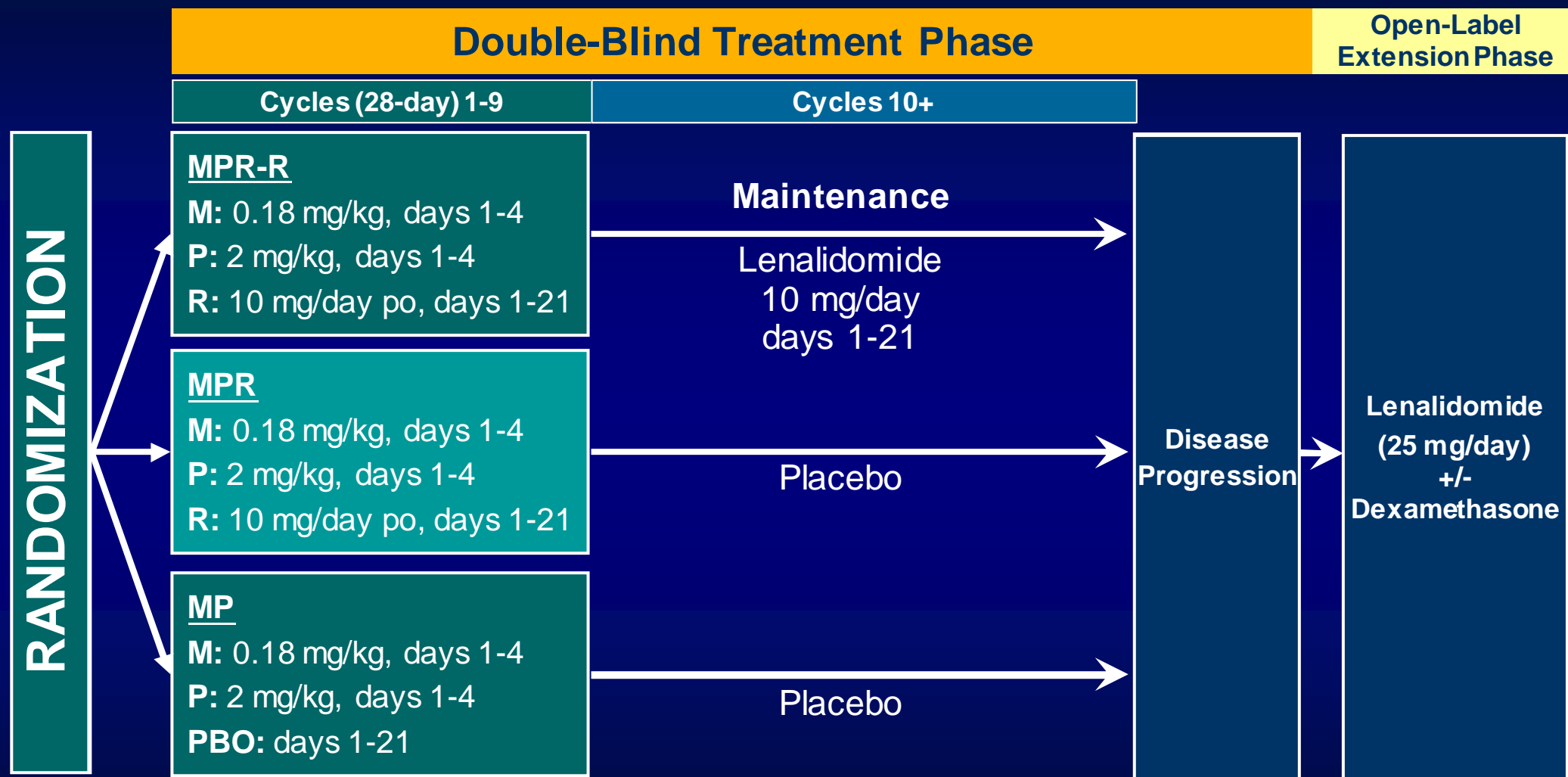
# Open questions

- What are recommendations for routine practice regarding depth of response?
- Should response criteria be refined?
- How long to treat to achieve best response?
- Best response not feasible/needed in all patients
  - How to identify these?
- PFS versus OS

# **Review of new data in the treatment of patients not eligible for transplantation**

## **1. Imids**

# MM-015: Study Design



- Stratified by age ( $\leq 75$  vs  $> 75$  years) and stage (ISS I/II vs III)
- Primary comparison: MPR-R vs MP

ISS, International Staging System; MP, melphalan, prednisone; MPR, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide; MPR-R, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide with lenalidomide maintenance; NDMM, newly diagnosed multiple myeloma; PBO, placebo.

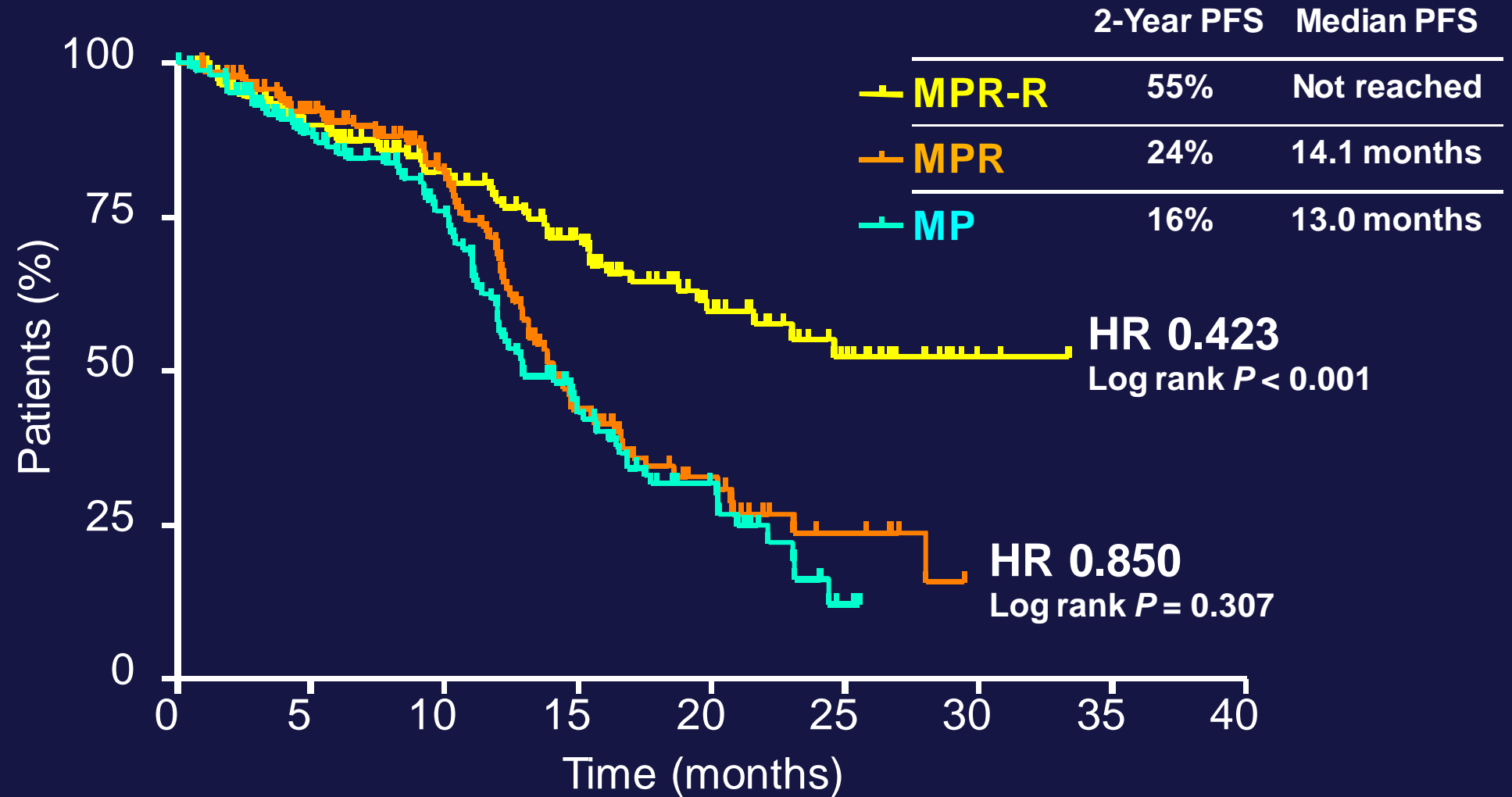
# MM-015: Updated results for patients 65-75 years old

Median follow-up 30 months

	MPR-R	MPR	MP	p
Overall no. of pts	152	153	154	
No. of pts 65-75 years	116	116	116	
ORR	79.3%	73.3%	47.4%	
≥ VGPR	35.3%	35.3%	11.2%	
Median PFS	31 months*†	15 months†‡	12 months*‡	*†<0.001 ‡0.009

# Progression-Free Survival

## All Patients

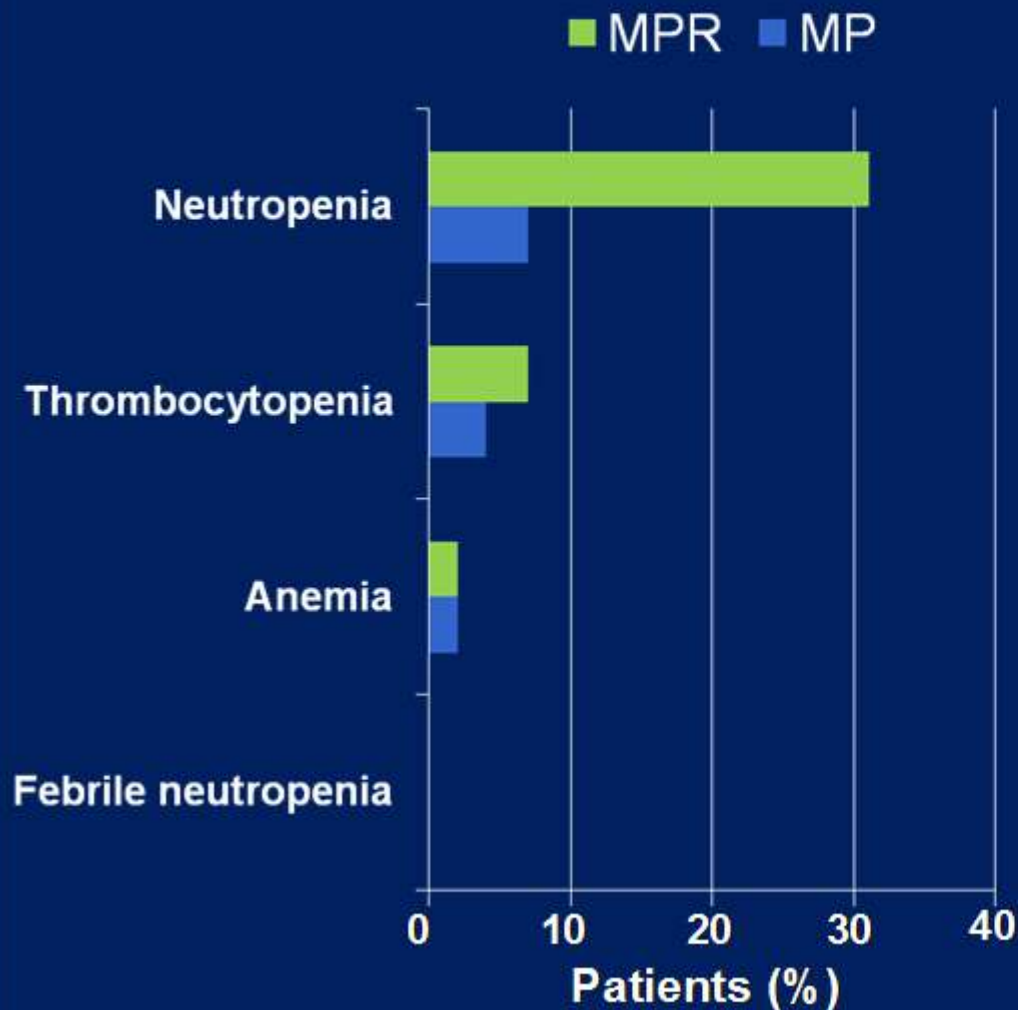


No. at Risk									
MPR-R	152	115	89	66	35	17	2	—	—
MPR	153	120	90	36	17	7	—	—	—
MP	154	112	85	43	19	2	—	—	—

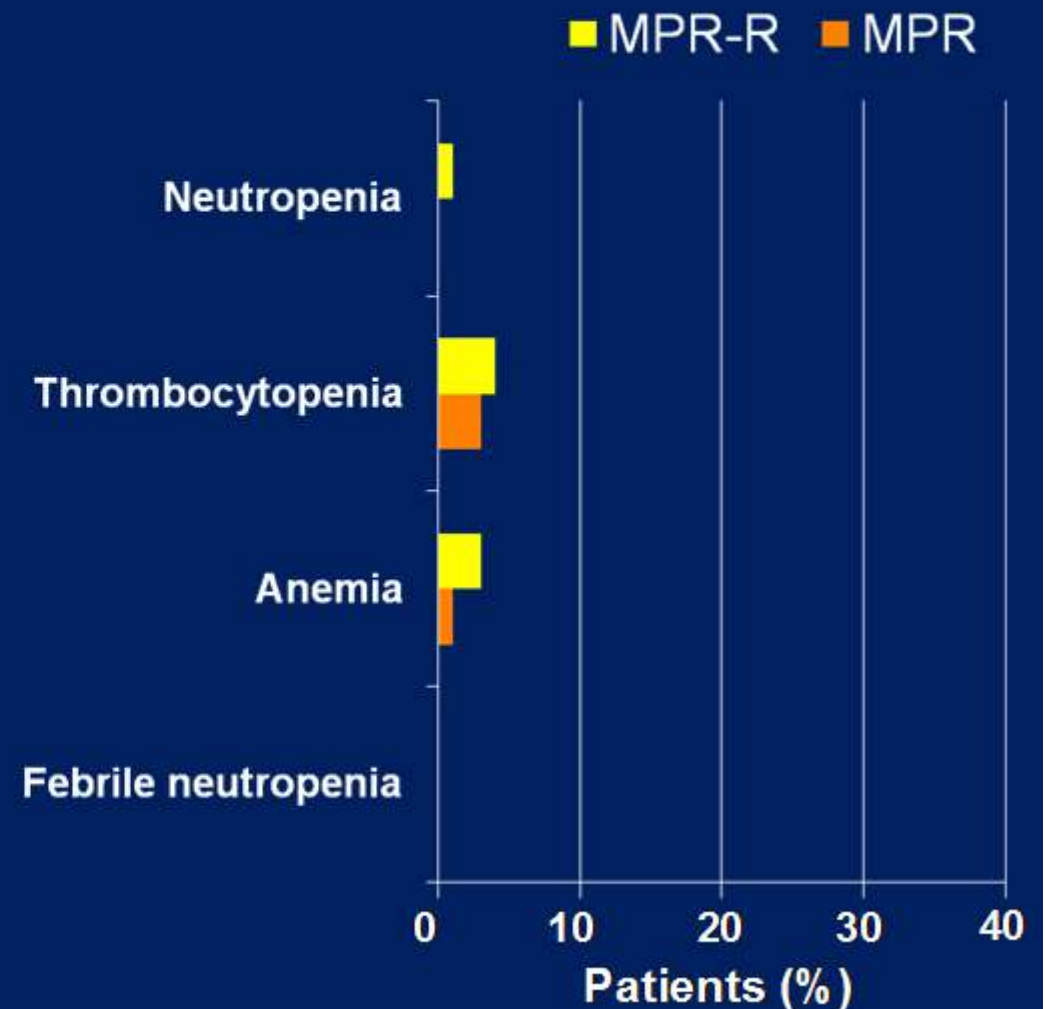
# Grade 4 Hematologic Adverse Events

## Safety Population, 65-75 years

Induction (MPR vs MP)



Maintenance (R vs PBO)

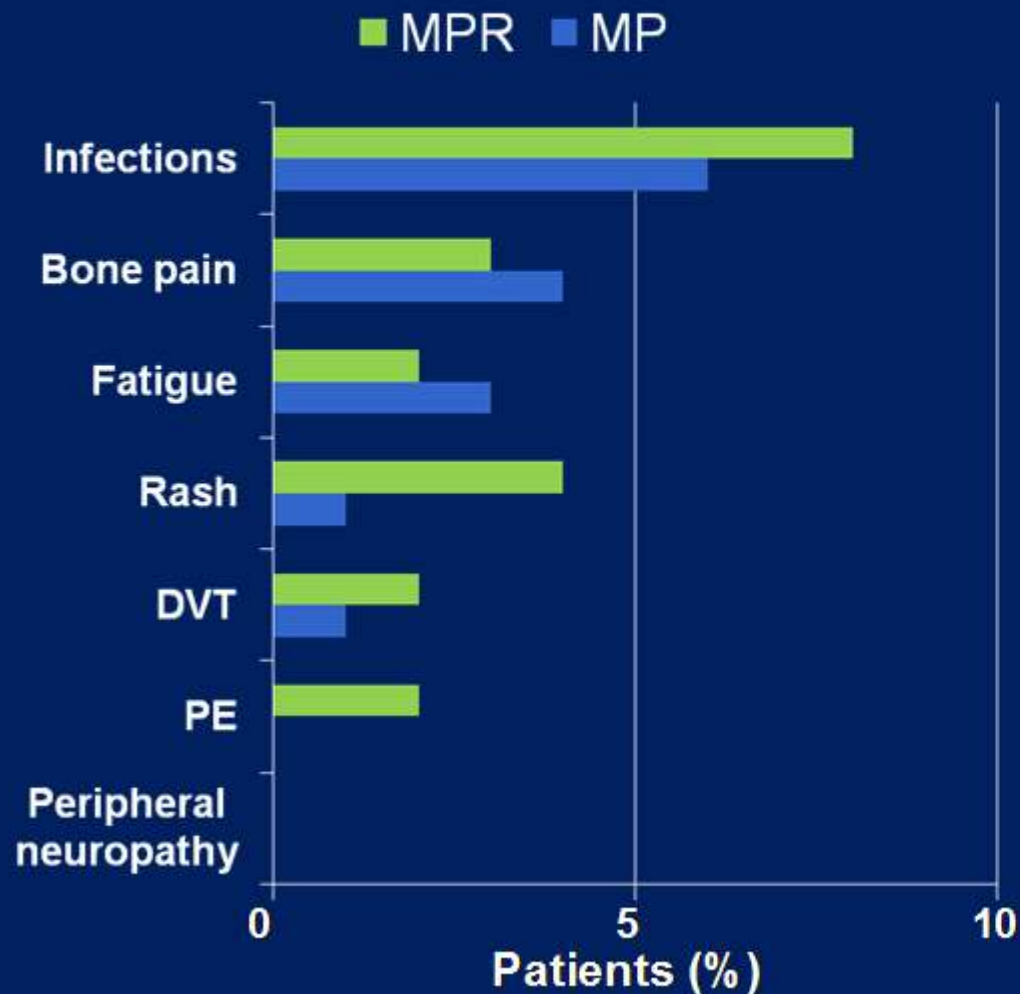


MP, melphalan, prednisone; MPR, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide; MPR-R, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide with lenalidomide maintenance; PBO, placebo.

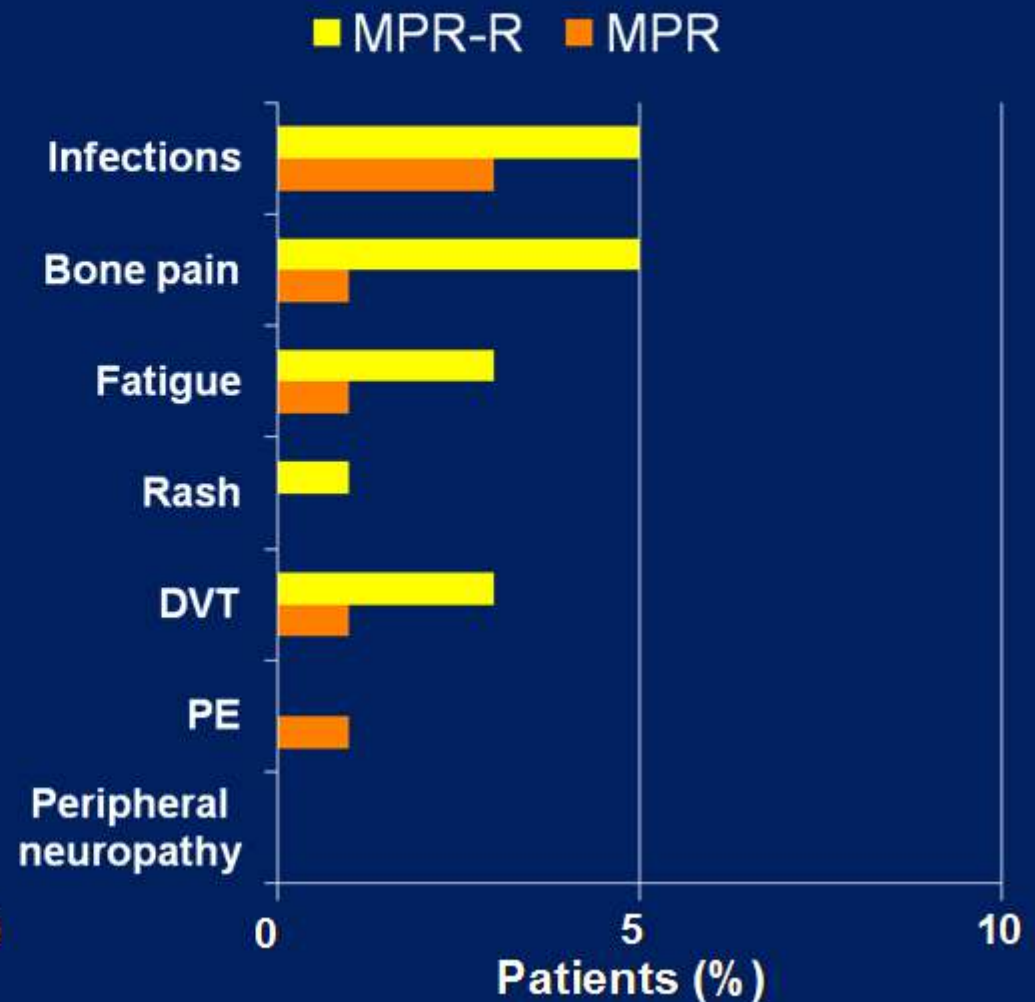
# Grade 3/4 Non-Hematologic Adverse Events

## Safety Population, 65-75 years

Induction (MPR vs MP)



Maintenance (R vs PBO)



DVT, deep vein thrombosis; MP, melphalan, prednisone; MPR, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide; MPR-R, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide with lenalidomide maintenance; PBO, placebo; PE, pulmonary embolism.



# Discontinuation and Dose Intensity During Induction

	MPR <sup>a</sup>	MP
Discontinuation from induction < 9 cycles due to AE, %		
65-75 years of age	12	4
> 75 years of age	22	8
Cumulative dose intensity of melphalan, %		
65-75 years of age	83	83
> 75 years of age	50	72
Cumulative dose intensity of lenalidomide/placebo, %		
65-75 years of age	75	80
> 75 years of age	52	79

- MPR dose intensity for patients aged 65-75 years was acceptable with most patients remaining on therapy
- Dose intensity was reduced in patients aged > 75 years

<sup>a</sup> MPR includes MPR-R and MPR for the initial 9 cycles.

AE, adverse event; MP, melphalan, prednisone; MPR, melphalan, prednisone, lenalidomide.



# Maintenance treatment in the non-transplant setting: thalidomide

	Median follow-up (months)	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)	Reference
MPT + T vs MP	38	21.8* 14.5	45.0 47.6	Palumbo et al. Blood 2008; 112(8):3107-14
MPT + T vs MP	39	13* 9	40* 31	Wijermans et al. JCO 2010; 28(19):3160-6
MPT + T vs MP	42	15 14	29 32	Waage et al. Blood 2010; 116(9):1405-12
CTDa/MP (CTD/CVAD) + T vs CTDa/MP (CTD/CVAD)	5.8 years	Thal maintenance improves PFS* with no OS advantage		Morgan et al. ASH 2011 (Abstract 993)
Thal-IFN vs IFN†	35	27.7* 13.2	52.6 51.4	Ludwig et al. Haematologica 2010; 95(9):1548-54

†Thal/Dex vs MP as induction

\*significant difference between arms

# Maintenance treatment in the non-transplant setting: lenalidomide and bortezomib

	Median follow-up (months)	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)	Reference
MPR + R vs MPR vs MP	27 (PFS) 41 (OS)	31* 14 13	NR	Palumbo et al. ASH 2011 (Abstract 475)
VMPT-VT vs VMP	32	37* 27	NR	Palumbo et al. ASH 2010 (Abstract 620)
VMP/VTP-VT vs VMP/VTP-VP	46	39 32	NR 60	Mateos et al. ASH 2011 (Abstract 477)

\*significant difference between arms

**Review of new data in the treatment of  
patients not eligible for transplantation  
update of VISTA**

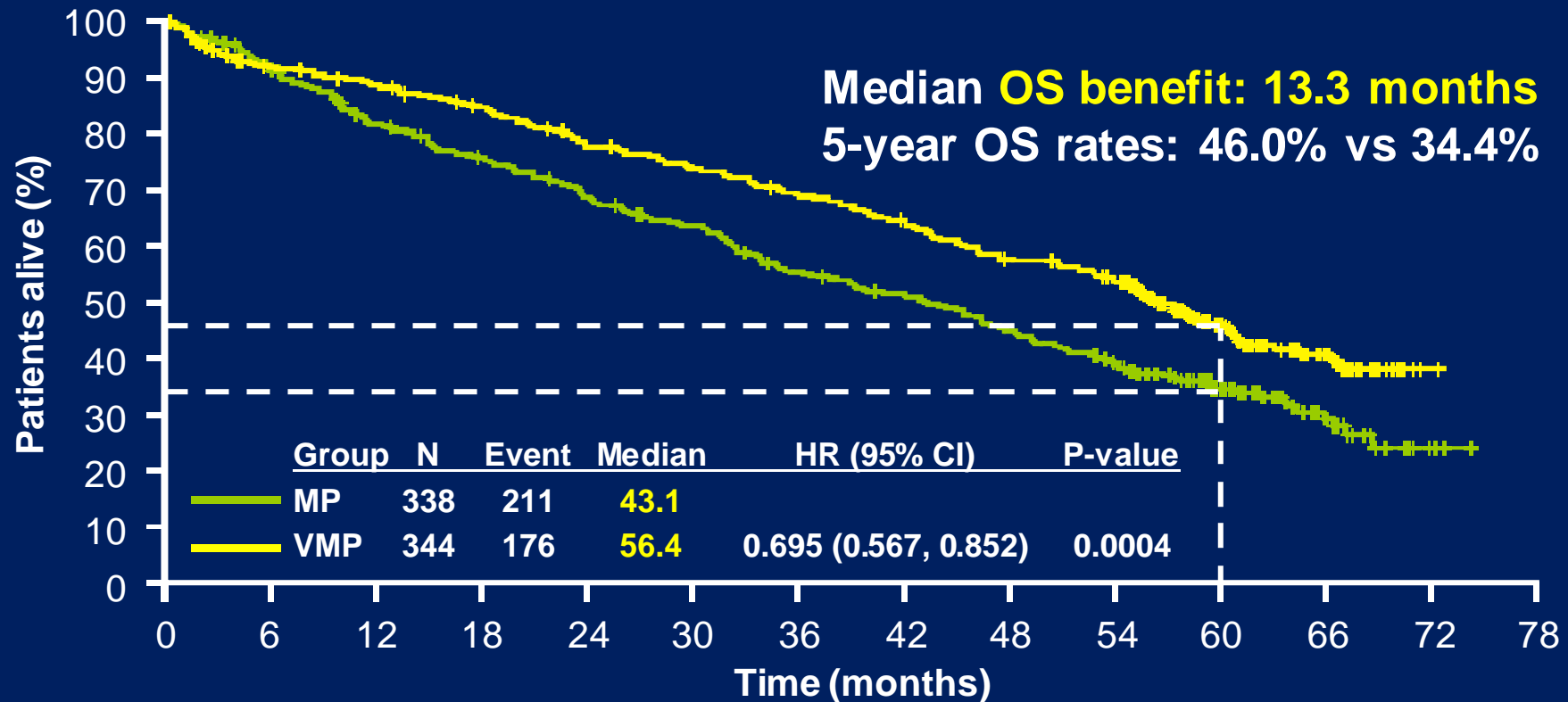
# Background

- Patients (**N=682**) randomized to nine 6-week cycles of:
  - VMP (N=344):
    - Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, days 1, 4, 8, 11, 22, 25, 29, and 32, cycles 1–4, then days 1, 8, 22, and 29, cycles 5–9
    - Melphalan 9 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, days 1–4 of all cycles
    - Prednisone 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, days 1–4 of all cycles
  - MP (N=338): melphalan and prednisone alone, as above
- Median age 71 years; 30% aged ≥75 years; 34% ISS stage III MM
- Per Protocol indicated that Patients followed at least **every 12 weeks**, for up to 4.5y following last-patient-in data, **for survival and subsequent therapy use; median follow-up 60.1 months**
  - Data cut-off: March 24, 2011; only 16 **(5%) patients in each arm lost to follow-up**
- Data on **SPMs** collected, by individual patient inquiries at all study sites **during February 2011, from 655 (96%) patients**

# VISTA: Final updated OS analysis

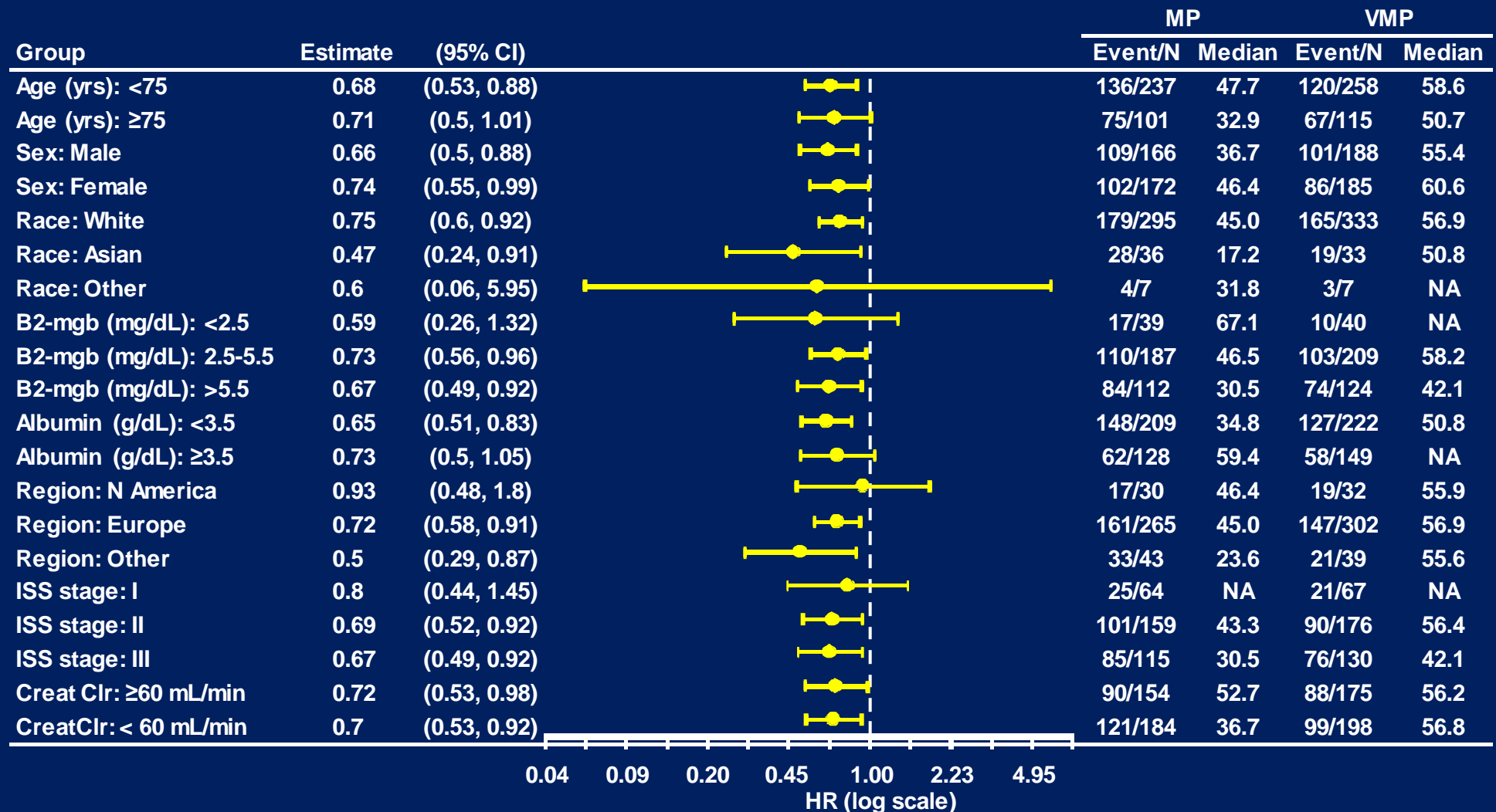
## 31% reduced risk of death with VMP

Median follow-up 60.1 months



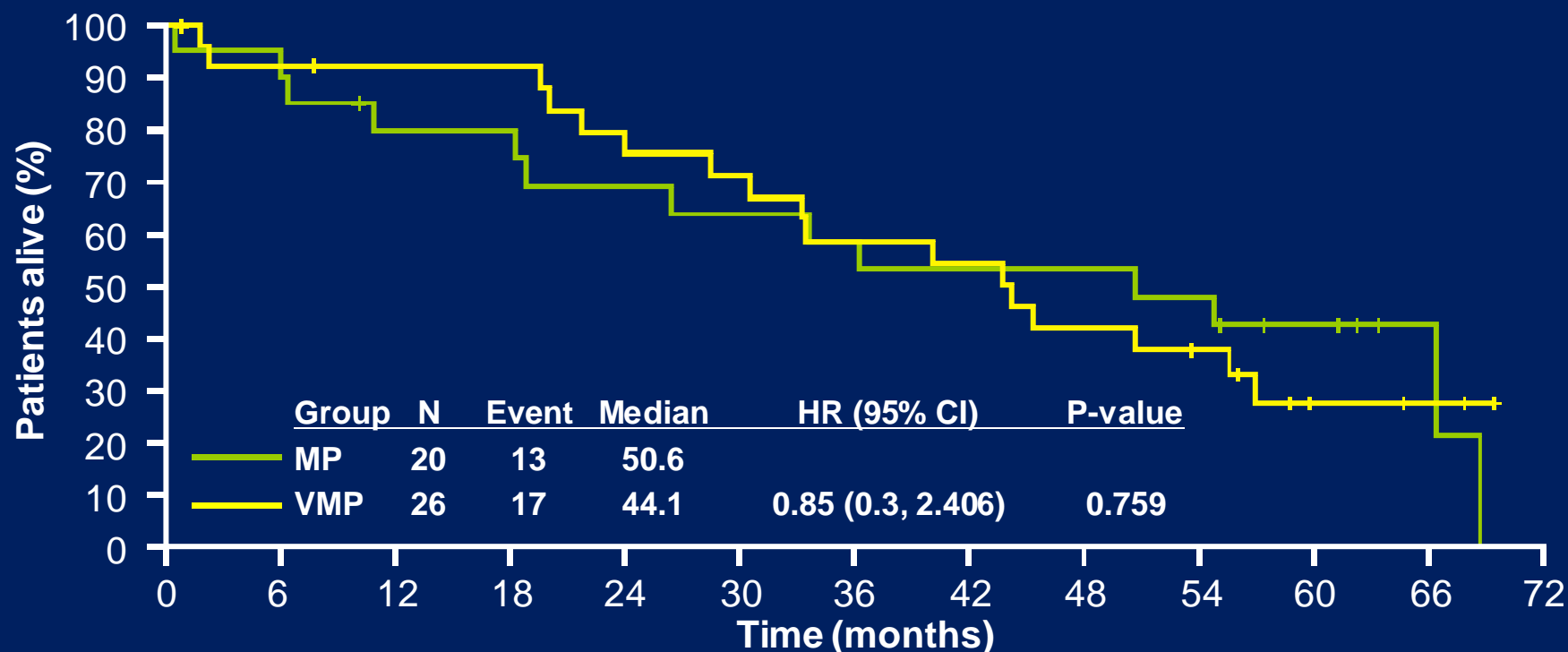
- Meta-analysis of six phase 3 trials of thalidomide–MP (MPT) vs MP:<sup>1</sup>
  - Median OS: 39.3 vs 32.7 months (6.6-month benefit), HR 0.83, 17% reduced risk of death

# OS in pre-specified subgroups



- OS benefit with VMP seen across pre-specified patient subgroups, including:
  - Age ≥75 years – median 50.7 vs 32.9 months (HR 0.71)
  - ISS Stage III – median 42.1 vs 30.5 months (HR 0.67)
  - Creatinine clearance <60 mL/min – median 56.8 vs 36.7 months (HR 0.70)

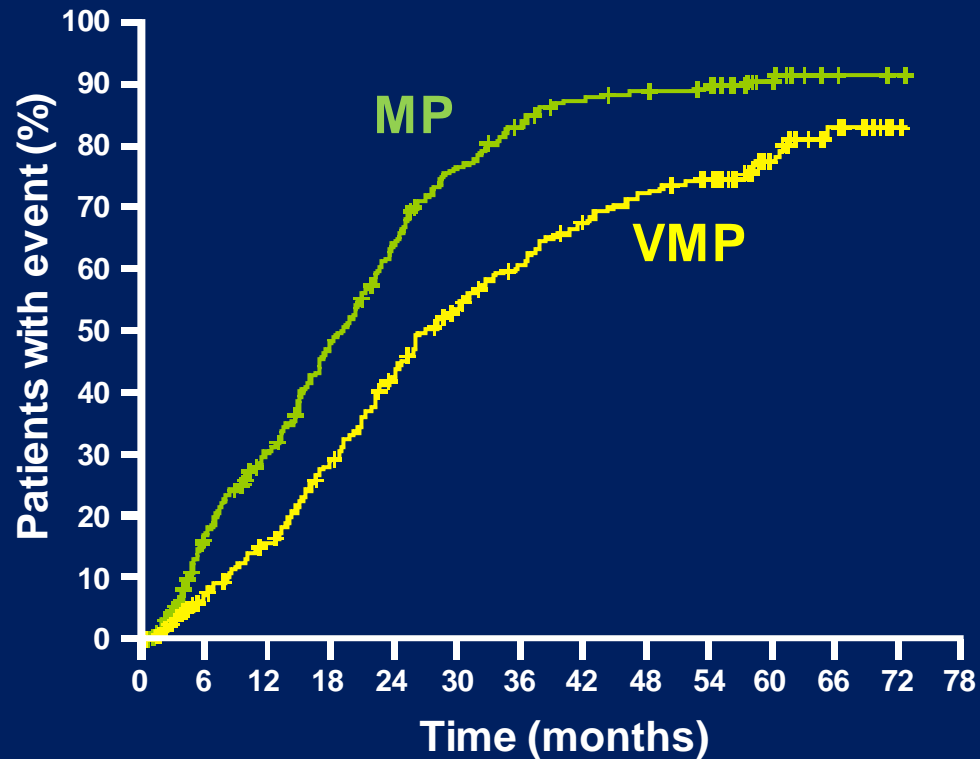
# OS in patients with high-risk cytogenetics



- Small subgroup (n=46; 26 VMP, 20 MP) with high-risk cytogenetics (= any of t(4;14), t(14;16), del(17p))
- **No significant difference** in OS between arms
  - **Curves cross** following median time to second-line therapy with VMP
  - Lower proportion of VMP vs MP patients with high-risk cytogenetics received subsequent bortezomib-based therapy (38% vs 60%)

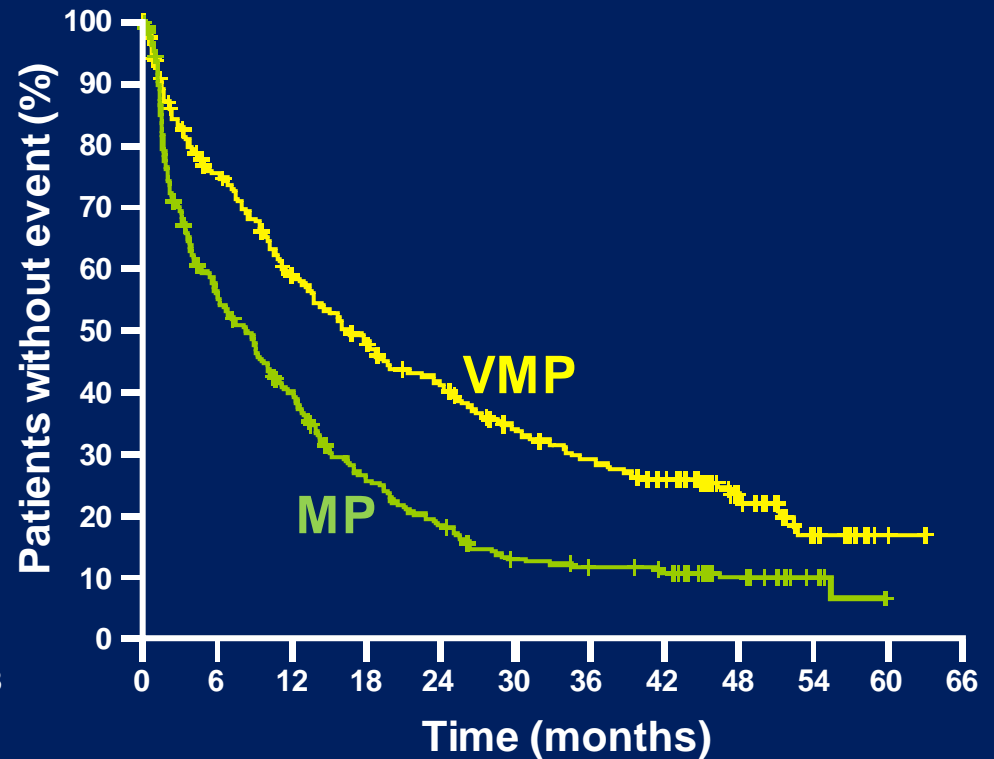
# Time to next therapy / treatment-free interval

## Time to next therapy (TTNT)



Median **27.0 vs 19.2** months  
HR 0.557 (95% CI: 0.462, 0.671)  
 $P < 0.0001$

## Treatment-free interval (TFI)



Median **16.6 vs 8.3** months  
HR 0.573 (95% CI: 0.476, 0.69)  
 $P < 0.0001$



# Subsequent therapies

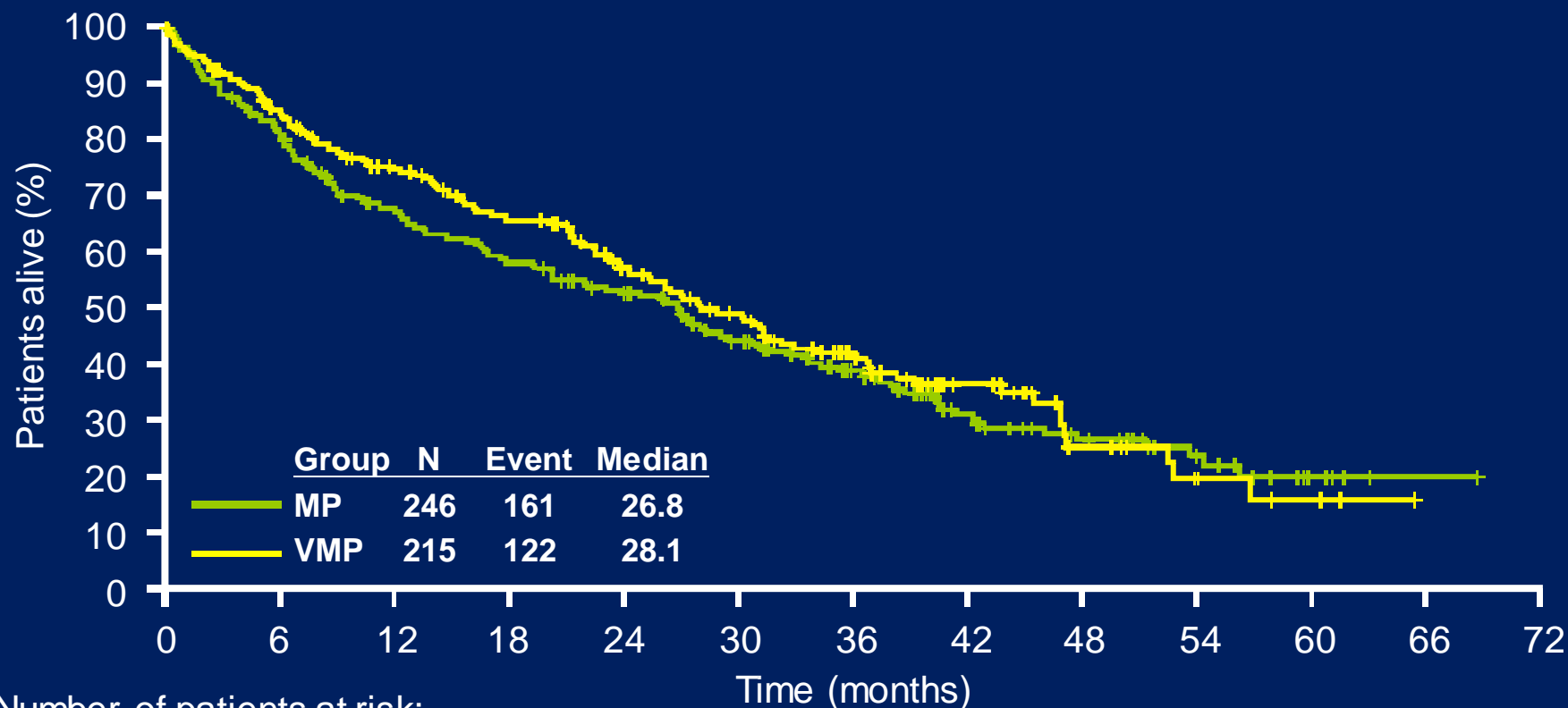
Subsequent therapy, n (%)	VMP (n=344)	MP (n=338)
Any	215 (63)	246 (73)
Thalidomide	103 (30)	122 (36)
Lenalidomide	84 (24)	63 (19)
Bortezomib	77 (22)	145 (43)
Cyclophosphamide	95 (28)	78 (23)
Melphalan	79 (23)	72 (21)
Dexamethasone	140 (41)	165 (49)
Prednisone	69 (20)	61 (18)

- Use of subsequent therapies generally similar between arms
  - Lower proportion of VMP vs MP pts received subsequent bortezomib
  - Investigator-assessed response rates to subsequent bortezomib were 50% following VMP (i.e. bortezomib retreatment) and 58% following MP
  - Respective response rates to subsequent thalidomide were 46% and 55%, and to subsequent lenalidomide were 62% and 56%

# Analyses of OS according to subsequent therapies

- Does VMP induce more resistant relapses?
- Is there also an OS benefit in favour of VMP in relapsing patients?
- What about using MP upfront and reserving bortezomib for the time of relapse?

# Survival from start of subsequent therapy similar following VMP and MP

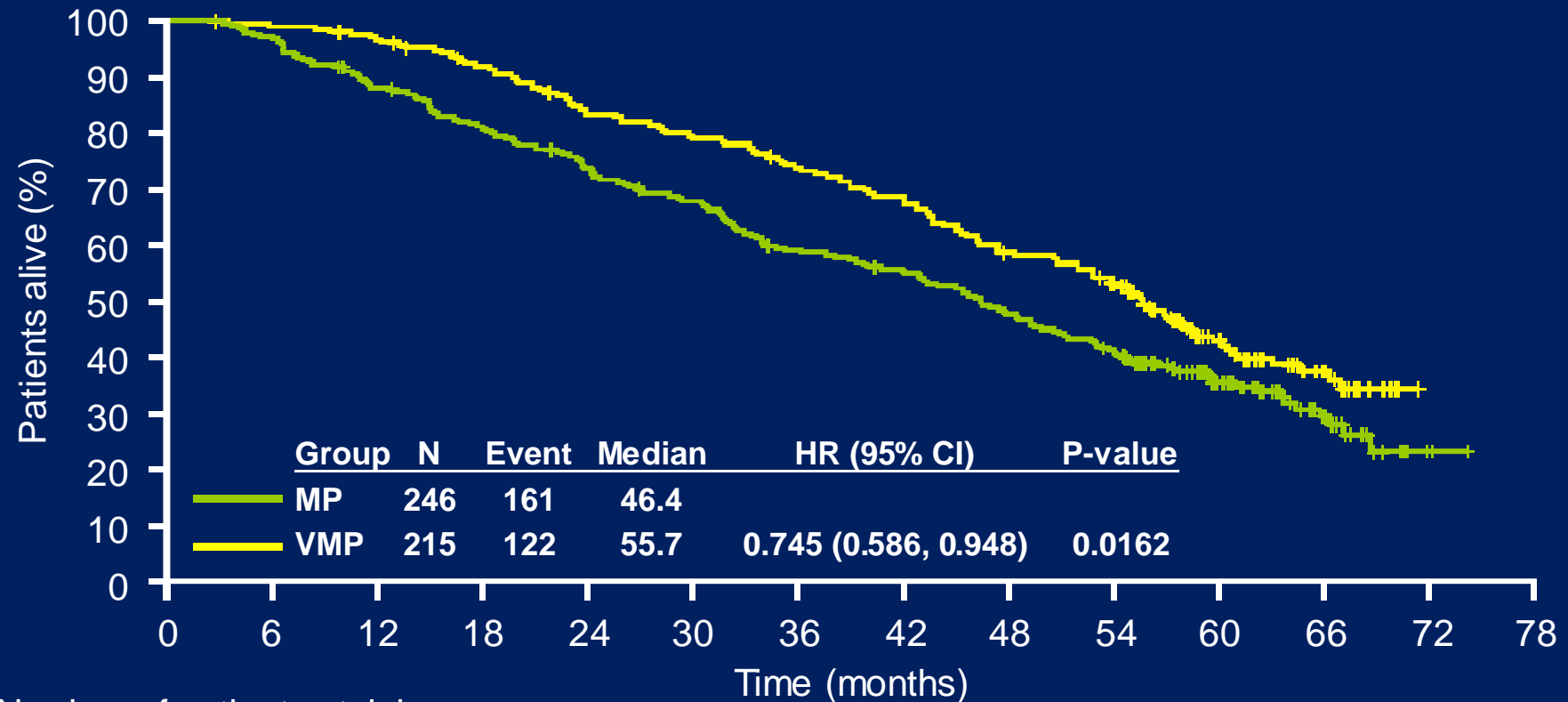


Number of patients at risk:

—	246	194	158	135	116	91	68	39	25	14	5	1
—	215	175	143	121	94	75	48	27	12	6	3	0

- **VMP does not induce more resistant relapses**
- Analysis **bias vs VMP** due to **exclusion** of higher proportion of most sensitive patients (i.e. **those still responding** to therapy) and thus inclusion of poorer prognosis patients who relapsed more rapidly on VMP

# OS prolonged with VMP vs MP among all patients receiving subsequent therapies

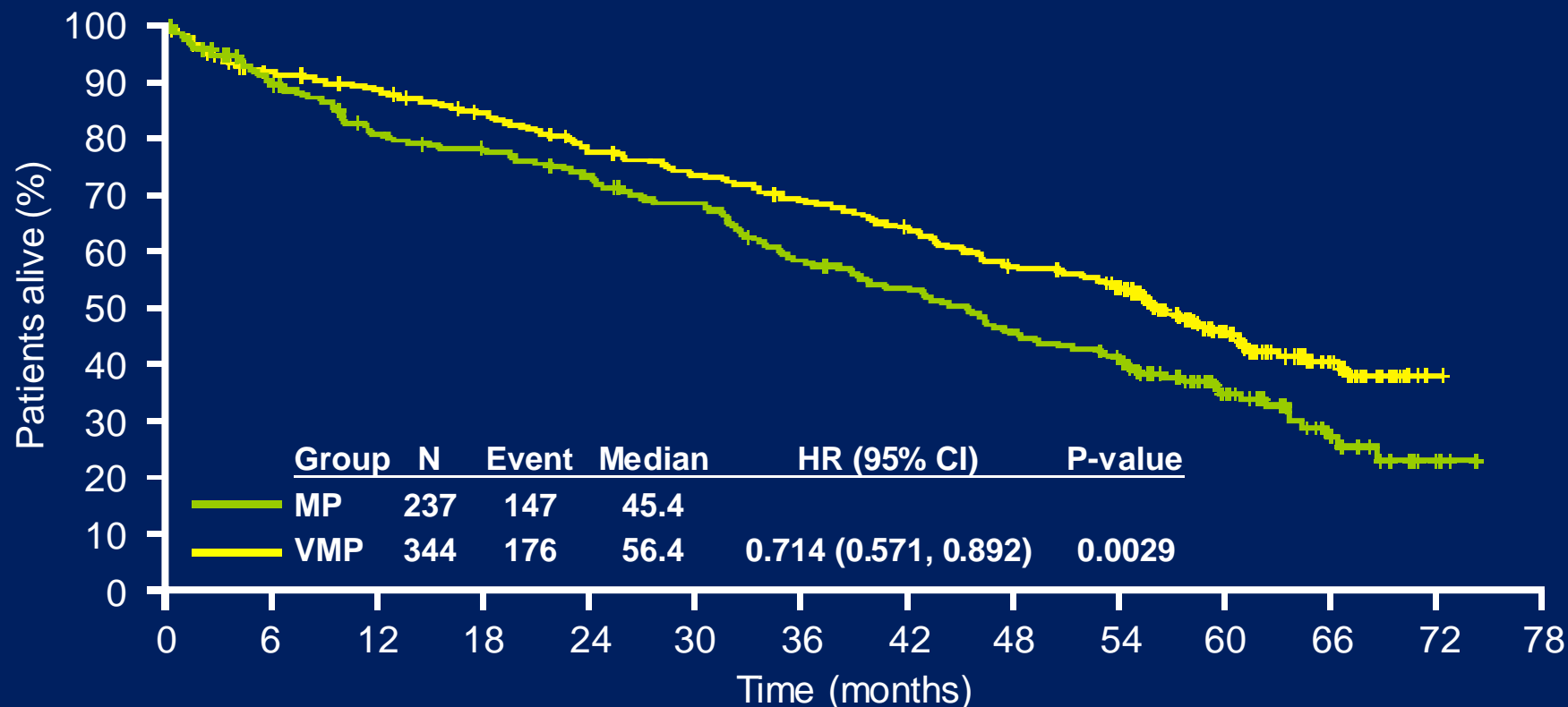


Number of patients at risk:

MP	246	239	215	197	178	162	140	130	111	93	52	21	2
VMP	215	212	206	193	174	165	153	141	119	104	55	25	0

- Bias against VMP due to omission of higher proportion of VMP vs MP patients who experienced most benefit from treatment; i.e. those who had not yet required subsequent therapy (35% vs 23%)

# OS prolonged with VMP vs paradigm of first-line MP followed by salvage bortezomib



Number of patients at risk:

MP	237	204	180	172	160	148	125	113	96	83	43	16	3
VMP	344	300	288	270	246	232	216	199	176	158	78	34	1

- Analysis includes all VMP patients, versus MP patients who have not received second-line therapy (due to not having relapsed, or due to death) plus those who received bortezomib salvage

# SPMs: Incidence proportion

SPMs, n (%)	VMP (N=327)	MP (N=328)	RR (95% CI)
<b>Hematologic SPMs</b>	<b>3 (1%)</b>	<b>3 (1%)</b>	<b>1.003 (0.204, 4.933)</b>
AML	2 (1)	2 (1)	
B-cell lymphoma	0	1 (<1)	
MDS	1 (<1)	0	
<b>Fatal hematologic SPMs</b>	<b>2 (1)</b>	<b>3 (1)</b>	<b>0.669 (0.113, 3.976)</b>
<b>Non-hematologic SPMs</b>	<b>16 (5%)</b>	<b>10 (3%)</b>	<b>1.605 (0.739, 3.484)</b>
GI	5 (2)	4 (1)	
Renal/prostate	4 (1)	3 (1)	
Respiratory	2 (1)	0	
Skin	2 (1)	0	
Other	3 (1)	3 (1)	
<b>Fatal non-hematologic SPMs</b>	<b>6 (2)</b>	<b>6 (2)</b>	<b>1.003 (0.327, 3.078)</b>

Non-fatal SPMs: 1 MDS (VMP), 3 GI (VMP), 2 renal/prostate (each arm), 1 respiratory (VMP), 2 skin (VMP), 2 other (each arm)

**No emerging safety signal for SPMs following VMP**

# SPMs: exposure-adjusted incidence rate

SPM incidence rate, n per 100-patient-years	VMP (N=327)	MP (N=328)	RR (95% CI)
Exposure, patient-years	1167	1004	
Hematologic SPMs	0.26	0.30	0.862 (0.174, 4.269)
Fatal	0.17	0.30	0.574 (0.096, 3.436)
Non-hematologic SPMs	1.40	1.00	1.389 (0.630, 3.061)
Fatal	0.52	0.60	0.859 (0.277, 2.664)
Overall rate	1.66	1.30	
Background rate, all cancers, general US population aged 65-74 years, 2004–2008 <sup>1</sup>	1.92		

- **No increased risk of SPMs with addition of bortezomib to MP**
- Overall incidence rates in both arms consistent with background rate of all cancers in the general US population aged 65–74 years<sup>1</sup>

1. Howlader N, et al. SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1975-2008.

[http://seer.cancer.gov/csr/1975\\_2008/browse\\_csr.php?section=2&page=sect\\_02\\_table.07.html](http://seer.cancer.gov/csr/1975_2008/browse_csr.php?section=2&page=sect_02_table.07.html)

Maintenance therapy with **Bortezomib plus  
Thalidomide (VT)** or **Bortezomib plus Prednisone  
(VP)** in elderly Myeloma patients included in the  
*GEM2005MAS65* spanish randomized trial



# Efficacy: Response rate to maintenance therapy (n=178)

After a median of 20 months of maintenance therapy (1-36)

CR (IF-) increased from **24%** (after induction) **up to 42%** (maintenance)

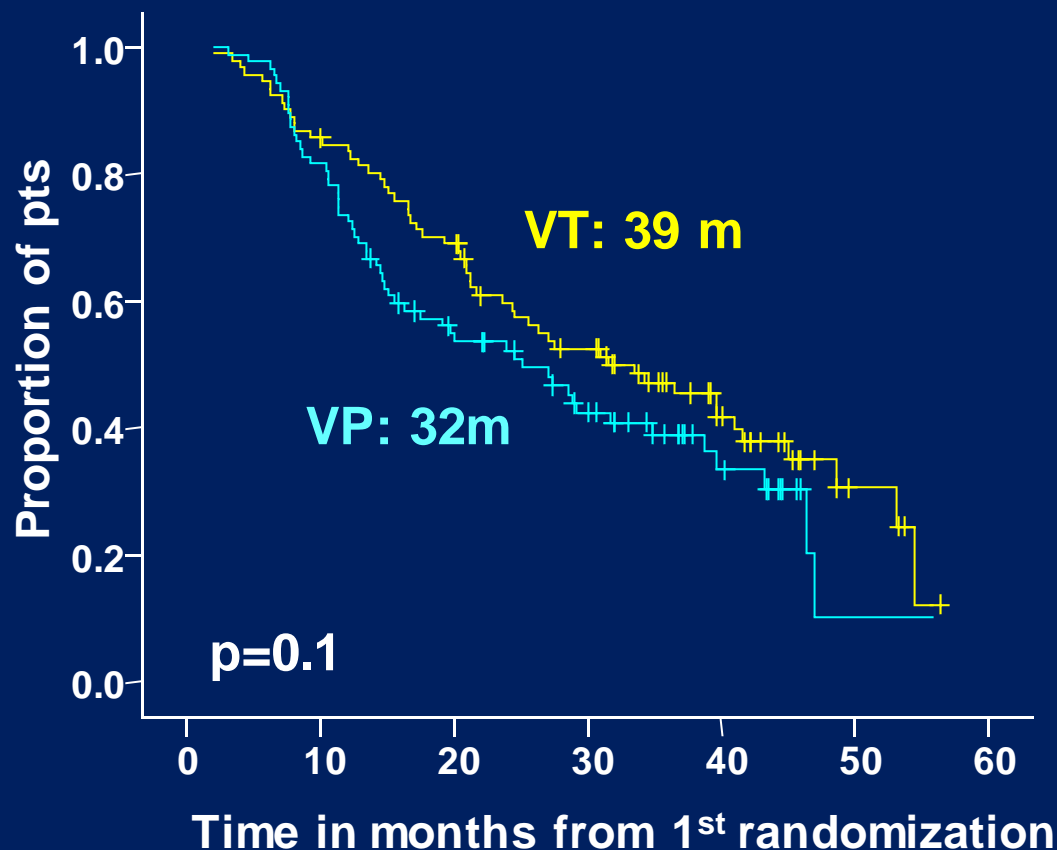
	Pre-maintenance	VT (n: 91)	VP (n:87)
<b>IF-CR</b>	24 %	<b>46 %</b>	<b>39 %</b>
<b>IF+CR, %</b>	10 %	10 %	11 %
<b>PR, %</b>	47 %	39 %	47 %
<b>MR, %</b>	8 %	3 %	1 %
<b>SD, %</b>	10 %	1 %	1 %

*No significant differences between VT/VP*

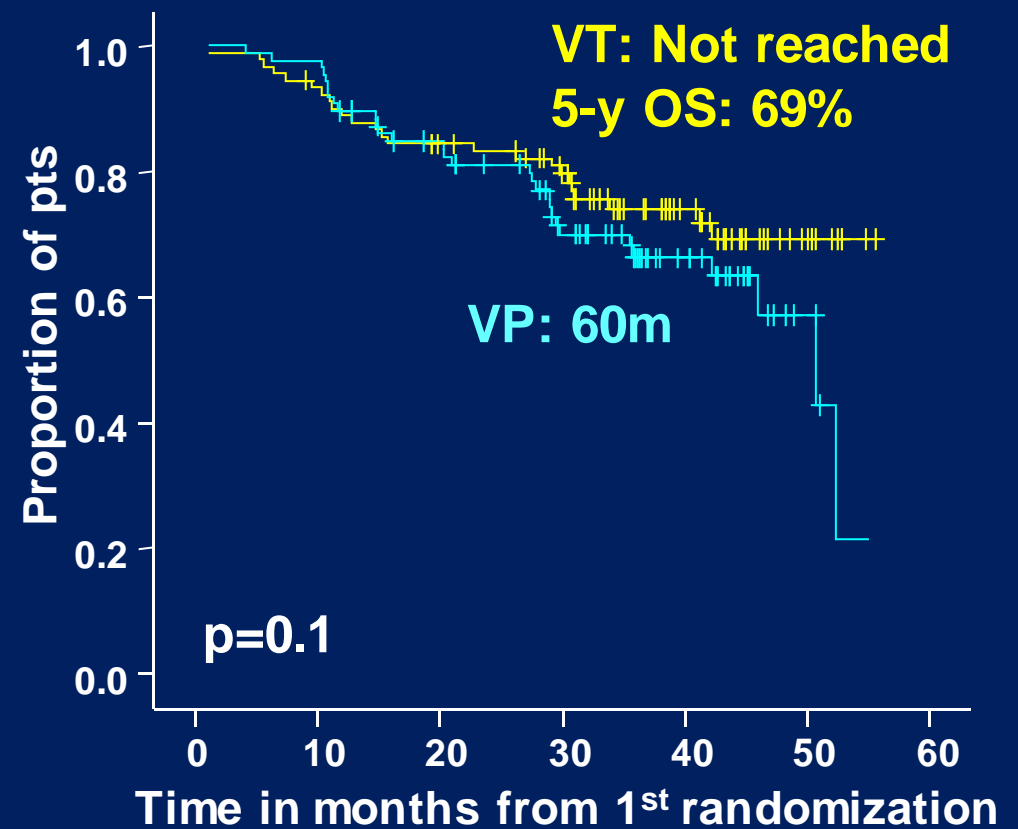
# Outcome according to maintenance arm

Median follow-up: 46 m (17-67)

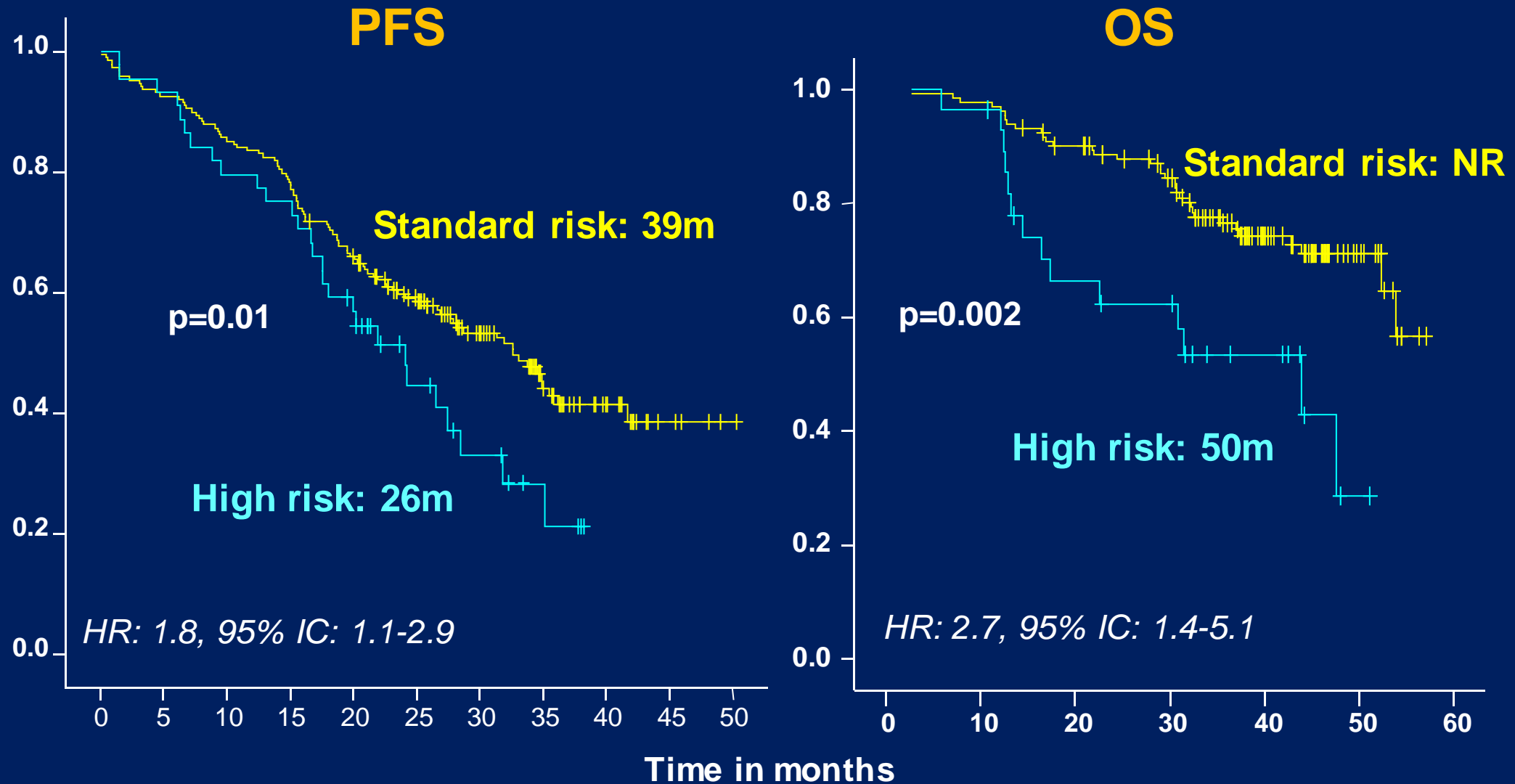
**PFS**



**OS**



# Outcome according to cytogenetic abnormalities



No significant differences between VT and VP as maintenance regimens

# Toxicity profile

	VT (n=91)	VP (n=87)
Non-Hematologic toxicity, n(%)	Grade 3-4	Grade 3-4
Astenia	2 (2%)	-
Skin Rash	-	-
G-I symptoms	4 (4%)	1 (1%)
Infections	-	-
Thrombotic events	-	-
PN	9 (9%)	3 (3%)
Cardiac events*	2 (2%)	1 (1%)

\*Cardiac events: Tachycardia (1), Heart attack (2)

Mateos et al. ASH 2011 (Abstract 477), oral presentation

# Toxicity profile

	VT (n=91)	VP (n=87)
Discontinuations, n(%)	52 (57%)	51 (59%)
Disease Progression	32 (35%)	40(46%)
<i>Toxicity</i>	12* (13%)	8* (9%)
Others	6 (7%)	2 (3%)
- SMP	3pts	1pt
Deaths, n(%)	24 (26%)	30 (35%)
Disease Progression	19 (20%)	26(30%)
Toxicity	5 (6%)	4 (5%)

Discontinuations due to toxicity: Peripheral neuropathy and cardiac toxicity

# **Review of new data in the treatment of patients eligible for transplantation**

# Phase 3: VTD vs TD (GIMEMA study)

## Impact of VTD consolidation

Per-protocol analysis: n=321, received entire treatment program

	VTD	TD	p
CR post-consolidation	61%	47%	0.012
CR/nCR post-consolidation	73%	61%	0.020
Upgrade to CR post-consolidation	30.4%	16.6%	0.030
Landmark analysis from start of consolidation (30 months median follow up)			
3-yr probability of relapse or progression	38%	52%	0.039
3-yr PFS	62%	46%	0.025

- Superior PFS with VTD vs TD consolidation retained across poor prognosis subgroups:
  - t(4;14) and/or del(17q), del(13q)
  - $\beta_2$ -M >3.5 mg/L, LDH >190 U/L, ISS stage 2 and 3

# **Phase 3: VTD vs TD (GIMEMA study)**

## **Impact of VTD consolidation**

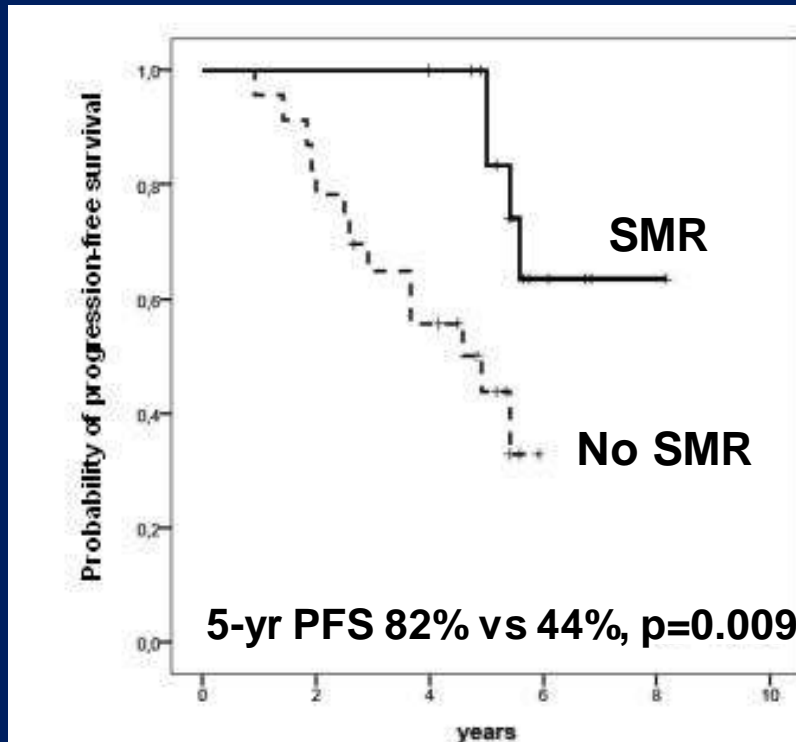
- **No OS difference between two groups**
- **Both treatments well tolerated**
  - **Frequency of grade 3/4 AEs comparable in both groups**
    - **9.3% VTD, 8.6% TD**
  - **PN with VTD: 0.6%**
  - **Skin rash, DVT: 0.6% in each group**
  - **Patients treated with VTD received 93% of planned doses of bortezomib and thal**



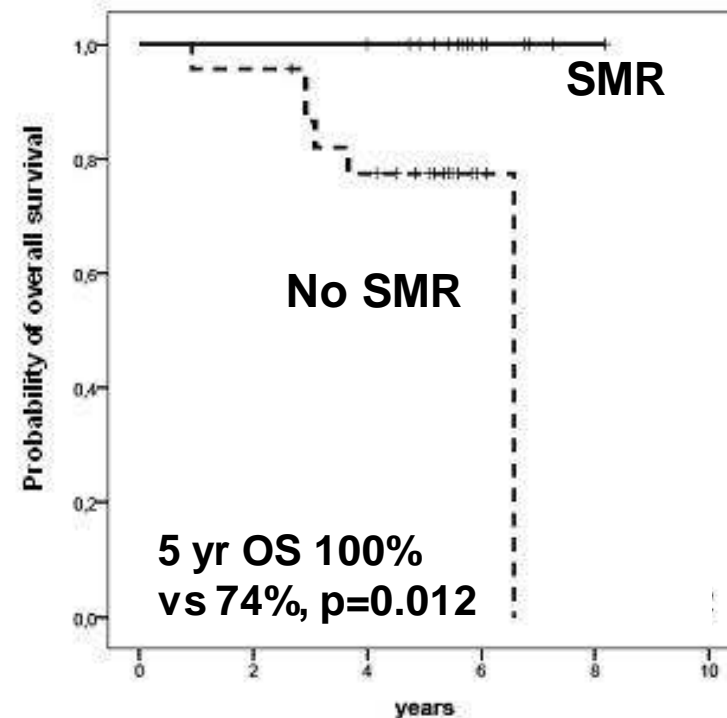
# VTD consolidation: long-term follow up

- Impact of MRD detection by RQ-PCR on late recurrences and OS
- Median follow-up: 65 months; n=39

## Probability of PFS



## Probability of OS



SMR: Standard molecular remission (MRD negativity on two consecutive samples by RQ-PCR)

- No patient with full molecular remission or SMR has died
- Dynamic increase in molecular tumor burden predicts late disease relapses before clinical recurrence

## Phase 2: VRD induction, ASCT, VRD consolidation, lenalidomide maintenance (IFM 2008)

- Patients (n=31)

%	After VRD induction (3 cycles)	After ASCT	After VRD consolidation (2 cycles)	After Len maintenance (12 months)
sCR	17	36	39	38
CR	6	6	9	10
VGPR	39	26	36	28

- Improvement in responses
  - Consolidation: upgraded response in 26%
  - Len maintenance: no improvement in response rate

# Phase 3 PETHEMA/GEM trial: Maintenance VT vs Thal vs Interferon alfa-2b

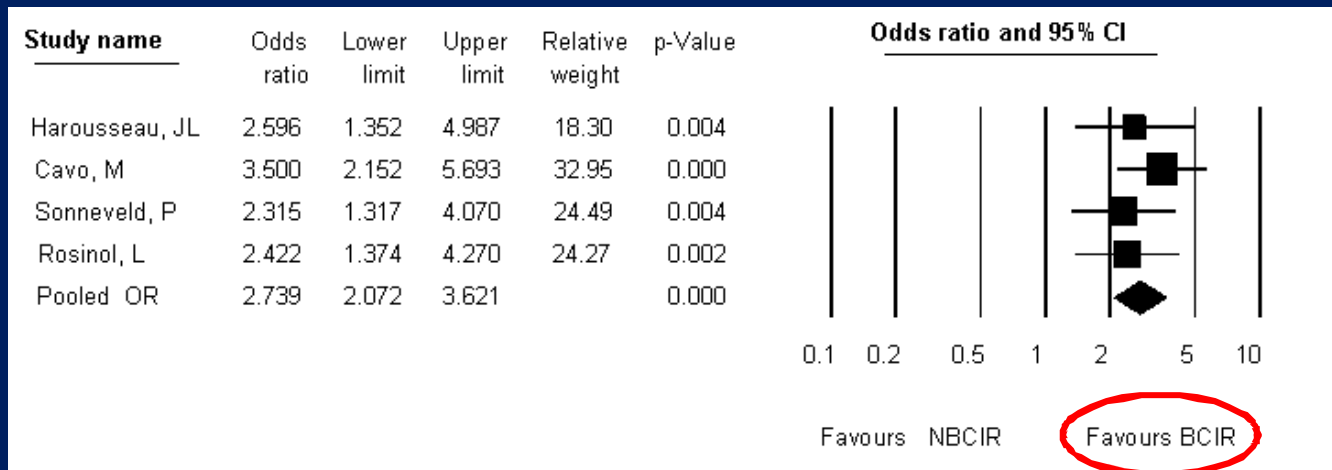
Median follow-up 24 months

	VT	Thal	Interferon- $\alpha$ 2b	p
<b>PFS @ 2 years</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>0.01</b>
Grade 3/4 hematological toxicity	22.2%	16%	21.8%	
PN (grades 1-3)	12.2%	10.1%	0	
Dose reductions	33.3%	33.7	19.5%	
Discontinuation due to toxicity	15.6%	30.3%	18.3%	

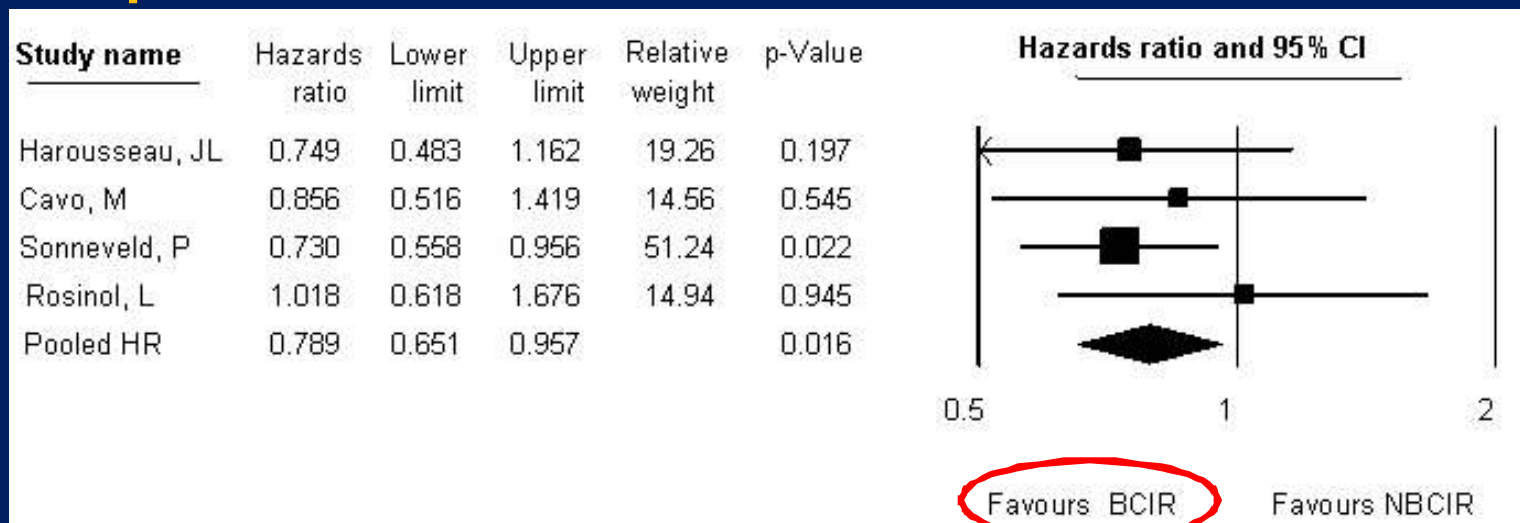
# Meta-Analysis: Phase 3 trials of bortezomib containing induction regimens

## Impact of bortezomib induction on CR post induction

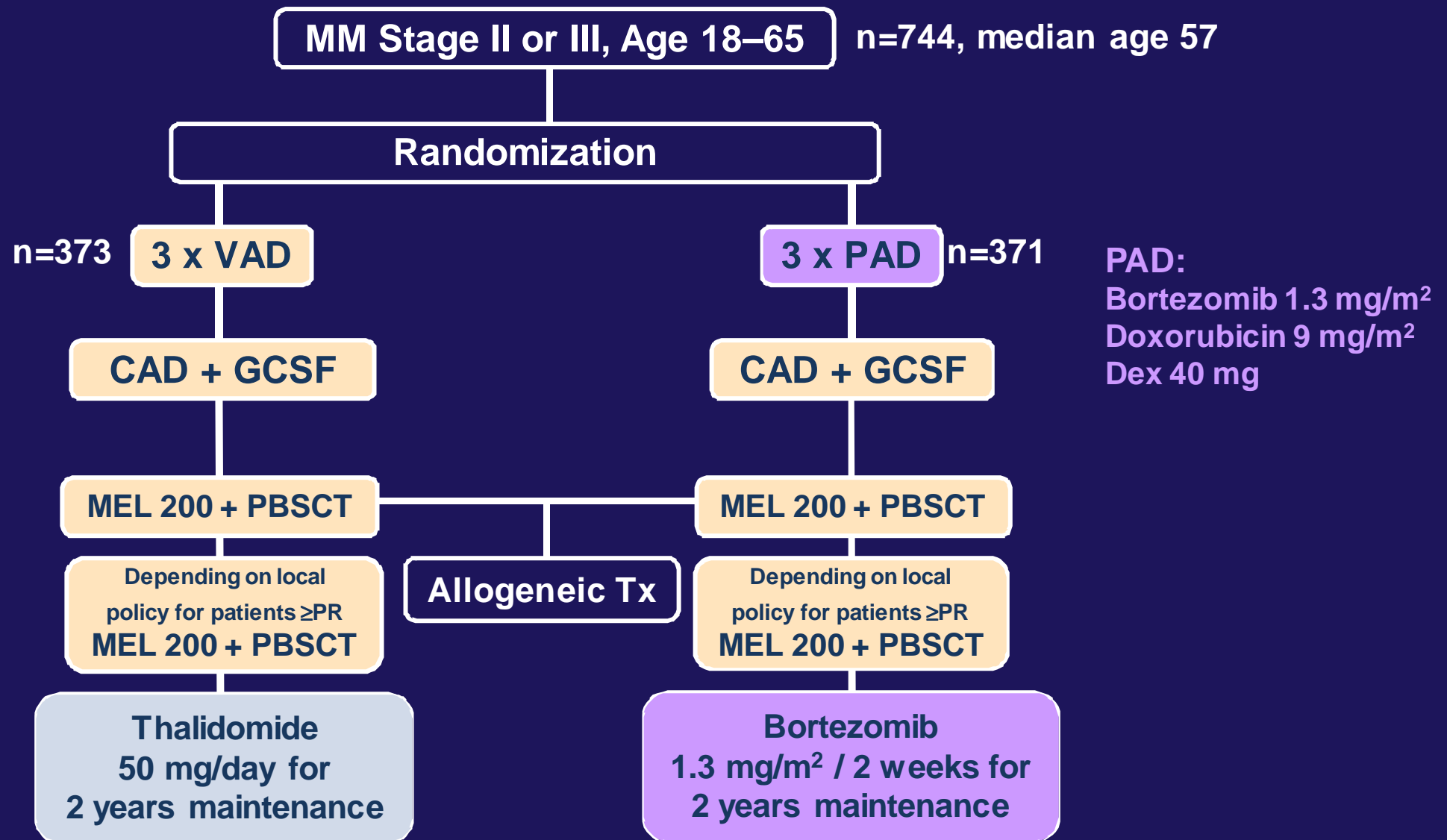
n=2086



## Impact of bortezomib induction on overall survival



# Phase III: PAD vs VAD induction, HDM and bortezomib or thalidomide maintenance HOVON 65 MM / GMMG-HD4 study



# HOVON 65 MM / GMMG-HD4 study: Bortezomib Induction and Maintenance Therapy

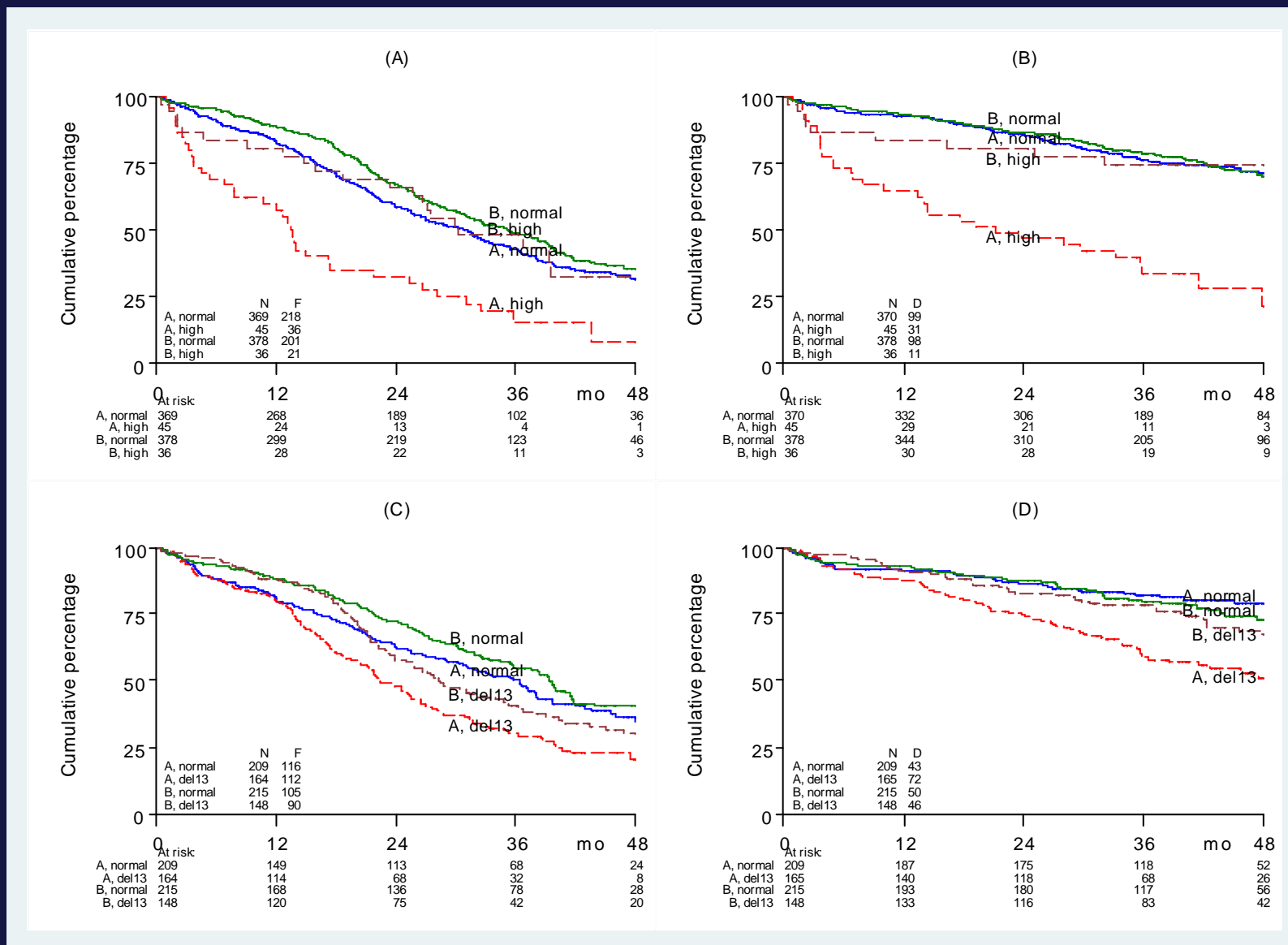
n=744, median age 57

Study details	Median follow up	n	Results			
			≥nCR	≥VGPR	PFS	OS
PAD/HDM/ Bortezomib		205	49%*	76%*	36 m*	Median not reached
vs	39 m					HR=0.73 (0.56-0.96)
VAD/HDM/ Thalidomide		239	34%	55%	27m	p=0.02

\*significant difference between arms

# HOVON/GMMG study: High-risk groups in both study arms

## Renal failure and del 13



# Prognostic Impact of Chromosomal Abnormalities on Outcome

	Median PFS (months)			OS at 36 months (%)		
	present	absent	p-value	present	absent	p-value
del(8p21)	27	35	0.096	70	80	0.40
del(13q14)	27	39	0.0023	70	85	0.0001
del(13q14)*	31	40	0.13	85	87	0.055
del(17p13)	18	36	<0.0001	36	83	<0.0001
+1q21	27	39	0.0002	70	82	0.0052
+11q23	36	31	0.45	79	77	0.47
+19q13	36	31	0.19	83	73	0.043
HD*	35	32	0.54	81	75	0.39
t(4;14)	22	36	0.0002	55	82	0.0003
t(11;14)	39	32	0.8	83	77	0.53
t(14;16)	29	35	0.30	83	78	0.11

\*del(13q14) without the presence of del(17p13) and t(4;14)



# Comparison between both treatment arms

	Median PFS (months)			OS at 36 months (%)		
	Arm B	Arm A	p-value	Arm B	Arm A	p-value
del(8p21)	33	25	0.37	78	65	0.16
del(13q14)	27	25	0.27	81	61	0.072
del(17p13)	26	12	0.024	69	17	0.028
+1q21						10
+11q2						11
+19q1						26
HD*	36	33	0.21	84	78	0.21
t(4;14)	25	22	0.12	66	44	0.37
t(11;14)	40	35	0.33	87	79	0.37

For all analyzed chromosomal aberrations, the median PFS times, as well as the 3-yr OS rates were at least equal or superior in the bortezomib-arm as compared to the standard arm

\*HD, hyperdiploid

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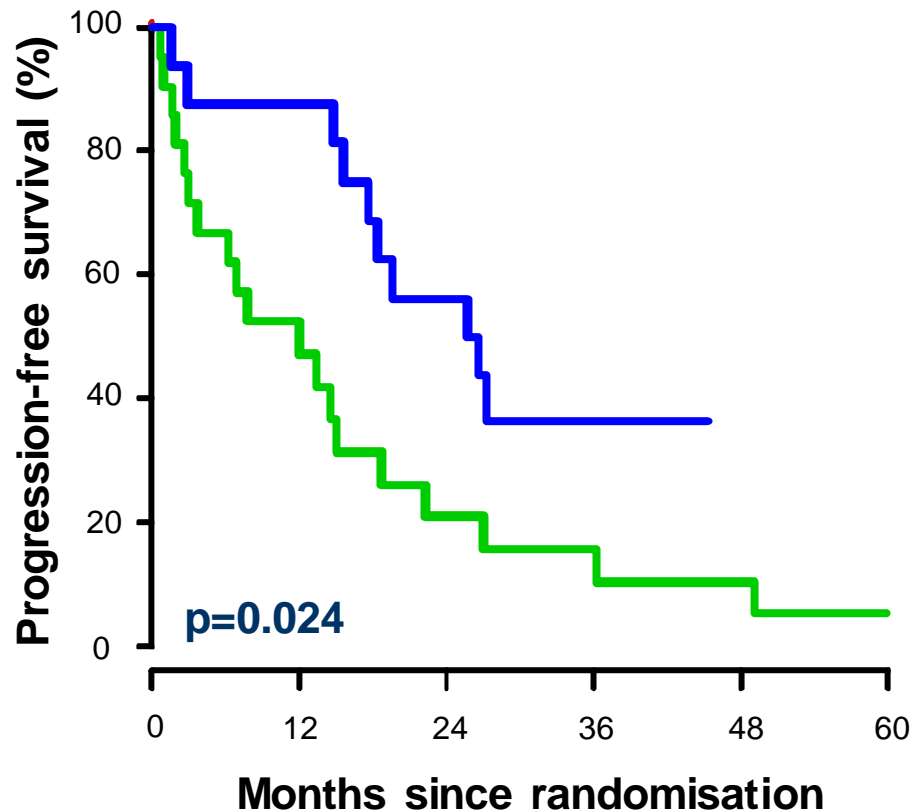
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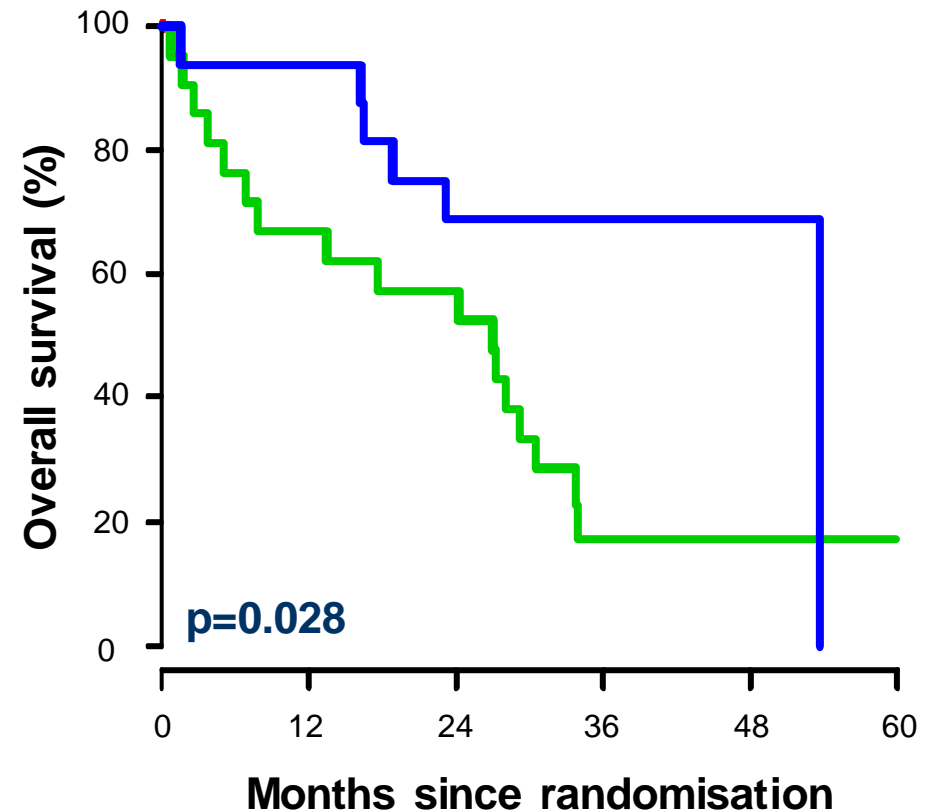
# Comparison between both study arms

## Deletion 17p13

**PFS**



**OS**



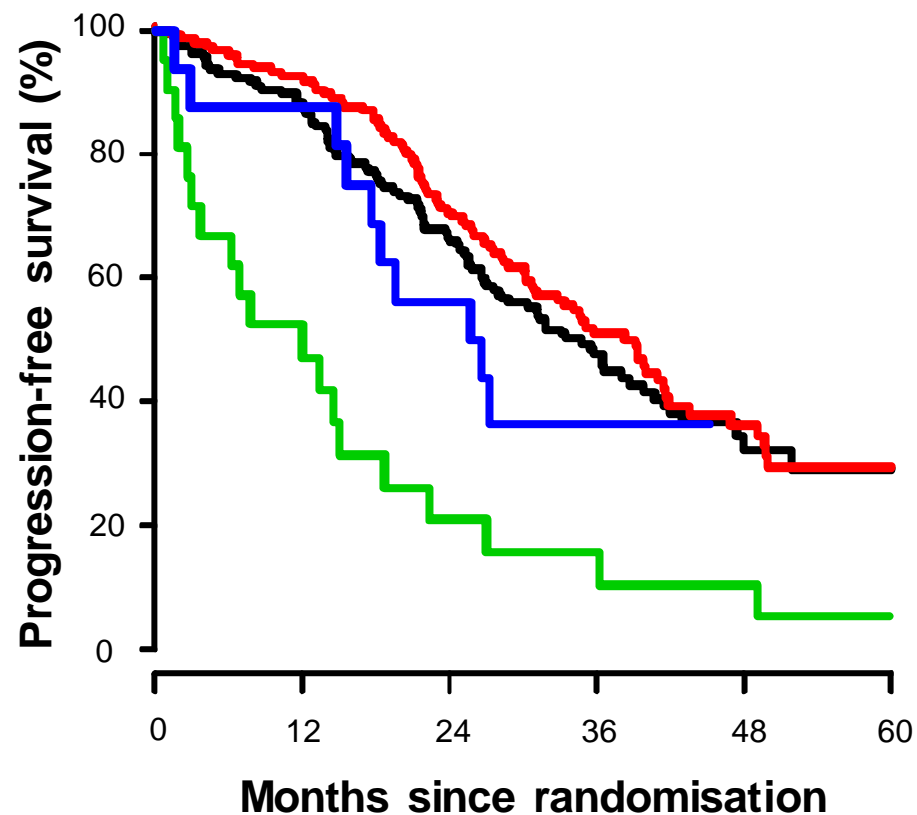
— del (17p), arm A (n=21)

— del (17p), arm B (n=16)

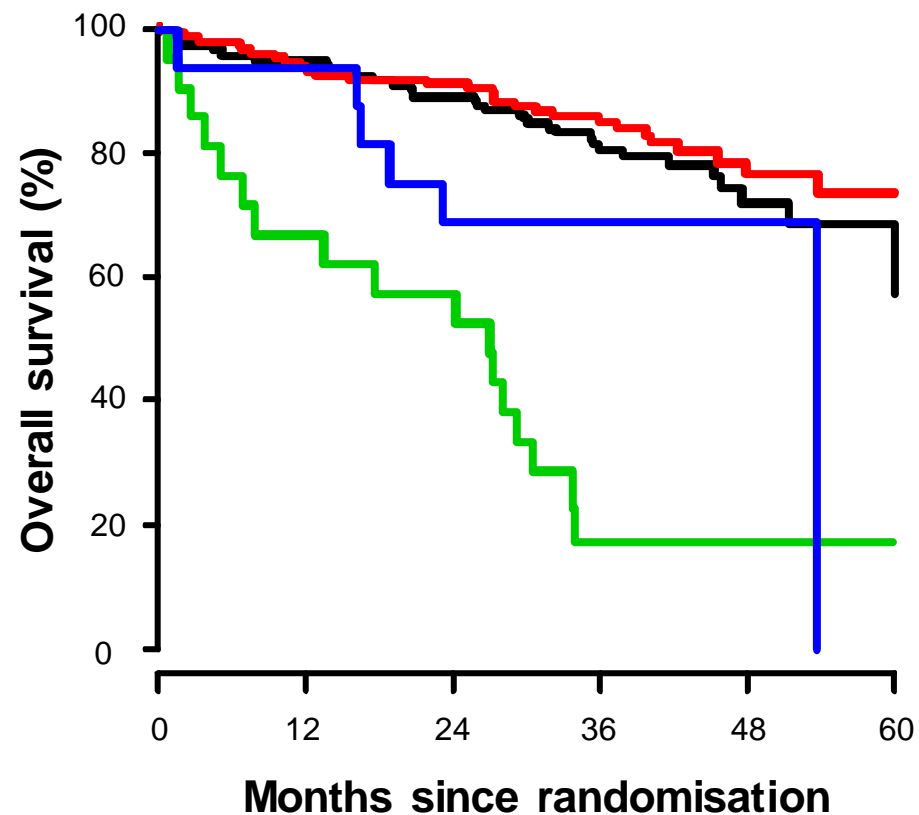
# Comparison between both study arms

## Deletion 17p13

**PFS**



**OS**

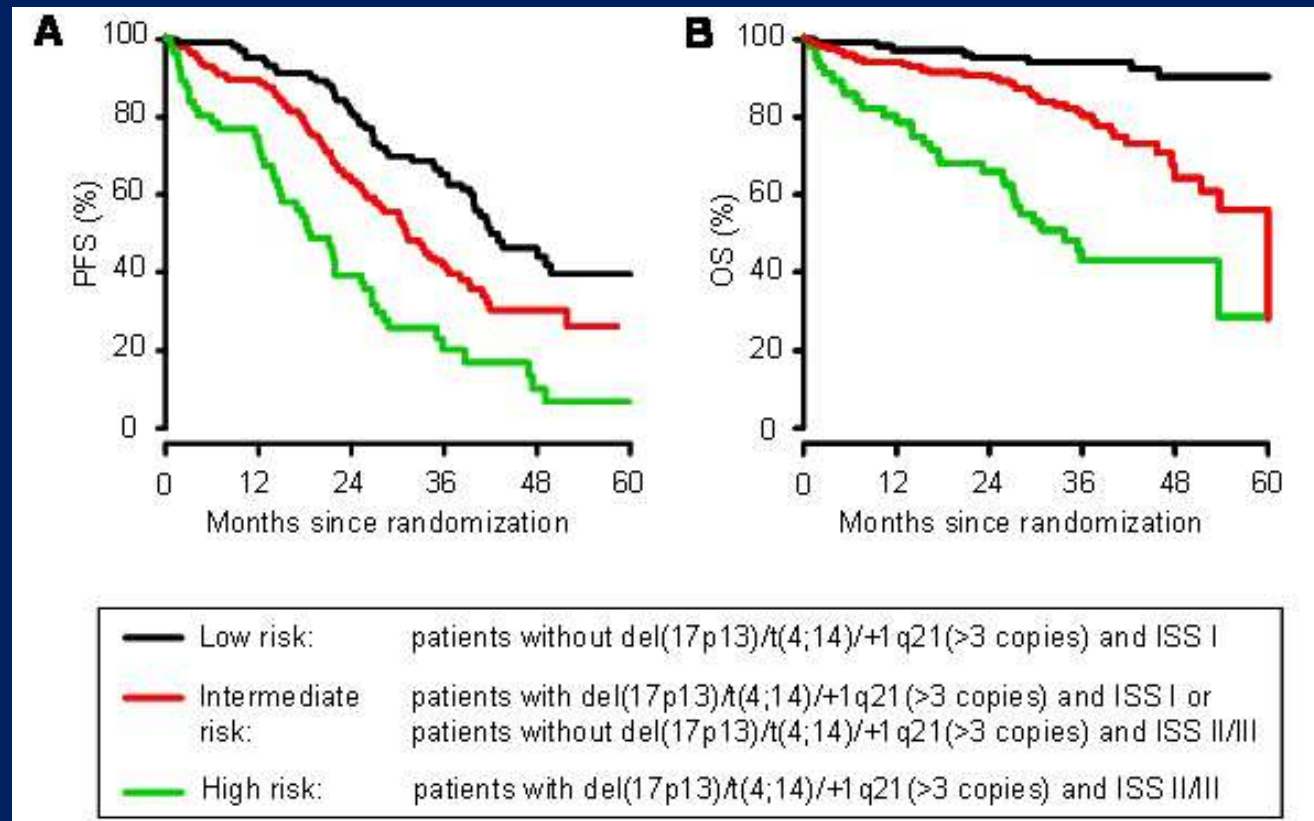


del (17p), arm A (without Bortezomib)      del (17p), arm B (with Bortezomib)  
no del (17p), arm A (without Bortezomib)      no del (17p), arm B (with Bortezomib)

# HOVON-65/GMMG HD4 study: Stratification based on chromosomal aberrations and ISS staging

- Stratification into 3 groups:
  - **Low-risk (33%):** absence of del(17p13)/t(4;14)/+1q21 (>3 copies) and ISS I
  - **High-risk (18%):** presence of del(17p13)/t(4;14)/+1q21 (>3 copies) and ISS II/III
  - **Intermediate-risk (49%):** all remaining patients

# HOVON-65/GMMG-HD4 study: Stratification based on chromosomal aberrations and ISS staging



	Low-risk	Intermediate-risk	High-risk	p
PFS (months)	41.9*	31.1*†	18.7†	*0.0018, †<0.0001
3-year OS	94%*	80%*†	43%†	*0.0001, †<0.0001

# MRC Myeloma IX long-term follow up

Median follow-up 5.8 years

## Non-intensive treatment

	CTDa	MP	p
<b>PFS (months)</b>	13	12	0.003
<b>OS (months)</b>	34	32	0.29

In favorable cytogenetics group, CTDa associated with sign. PFS benefit; no difference in OS

## Intensive treatment

	CTD	CVAD	p
<b>PFS (months)</b>	26	24	0.63
<b>OS (months)</b>	72	63	0.19

# MRC Myeloma IX long-term follow up

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## Maintenance

	Thal	No thal	p
PFS (months)	22	16	< 0.0001
OS (months)	60	60	0.59

- In favorable cytogenetics group: Significant benefit for Thal; no difference in OS
  - In unfavorable cytogenetics group: significant negative impact of thal on OS
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## Bisphosphonates

	ZOL	CLO	p
PFS (months)	19	18	0.01
OS (months)	51	46	0.03

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# Interaction of response and FISH-based risk stratification to better define clinical outcome

## Analysis of CR in context of other prognostic factors in MRC IX (intensive arm)

- Comparable CR rates in pts with and without adverse FISH
- CR associated with improved PFS in pts without adverse FISH and ISS I
- Trend towards improved PFS in pts with adverse FISH and ISS II / III
- Multivariate analysis (pts in CR)
  - Adverse FISH most significant factor for impaired PFS and OS
  - > 1 adverse FISH lesion: especially high risk of progression or death
- **Conclusion**
  - Impaired outcome due to adverse FISH not overcome by achievement of CR with CTD
  - Quick progression following end of therapy → need alternative treatment strategies aimed at maintaining responses

# Phase 2: RAD induction + tandem autoSCT / auto + allo SCT (DSMM XII)

- **Treatment**

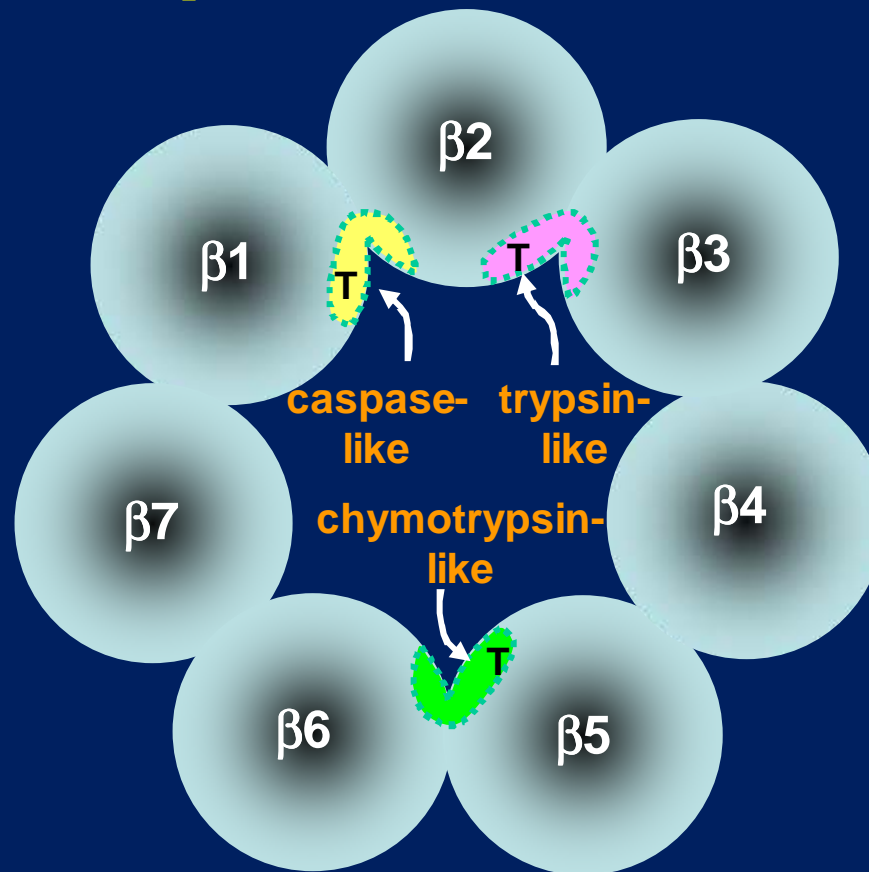
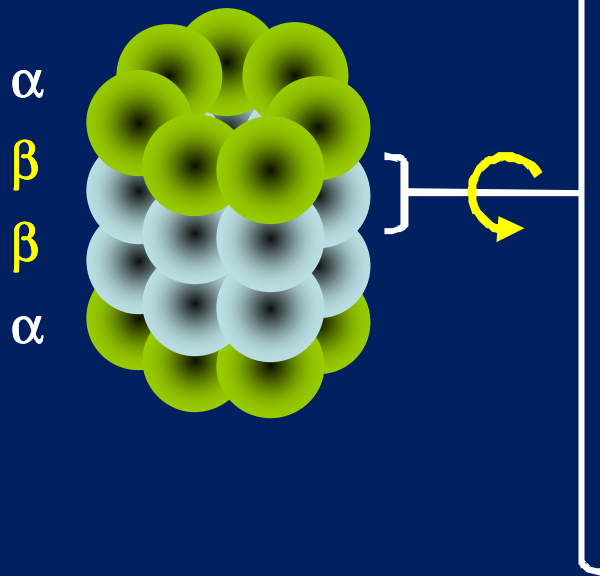
- RAD induction (4 cycles)
- Two transplants: tandem autoSCT or auto + alloSCT for pts with  $\geq 1$  cytogenetic or serologic risk factor
- Lenalidomide maintenance: 12 months

- **Results**

- n=148 enrolled, n=52 evaluable for post-induction response
- ORR 79%,  $\geq$  VGPR 52%, CR/sCR 13%
- Severe treatment-emergent AEs 35%
  - Hematologic events 4%
  - Infections 8%
  - Venous thromboembolism 6%

# Carfilzomib irreversibly inhibits the proteasome

**20S proteasome particle**



**$\beta$ -subunit ring**

Three distinct  
N-terminal  
threonine  
protease active  
sites

IC <sub>50</sub> s (nM)	Chymotrypsin-like	Caspase-like	Trypsin-like
Carfilzomib	6	2400	3600
Bortezomib	7	74	4200

## Phase 2: Carfilzomib + Thal + Dex (CARTHADEX) EMN trial

- Aim: evaluate carfilzomib + thal + Dex during induction and consolidation in newly diagnosed MM
- Patients (n=45), median age 57 years
- Responses after induction
  - RR 84%, CR/sCR 16%, VGPR 29%, PR 38%

	Grade 1/2	Grade 3
PN	24%	0
Tumor lysis syndrome	0	4%
GI	4%	4%
Skin	2%	2%
Infection	4%	4%

- Conclusion: Carfilzomib + thal + dex during induction and consolidation is feasible and effective

# What are the conclusions?

- Bortezomib based induction treatment is the standard of care in many countries in Europe
- Long term Bortezomib treatment improves the prognosis of bad FISH-cytogenetic features
- Thalidomide maintenance improves PFS in the MRC-trial, no impact on OS
- Zoledronacid is superior to Clodronate in terms of PFS and EFS
- Lenalidomide based induction is effective and well tolerated
- Carfilzomib based induction and consolidation is effective and has low PNP

**What is the role of ASCT?**

# Phase 3: MPR versus tandem ASCT

## Induction

n=402  
Rd (four 28-d cycles)  
Lenalidomide 25 mg/d, d1-21  
Low-dose dex 40mg/d, d 1,8,15,22

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## Consolidation

n=202  
MPR (six 28-d cycles)  
Melphalan 0.18 mg/kg/d, d 1-4  
Prednisone 2 mg/kg/d, d 1-4  
Len 10 mg/d, d 1-21

n=200  
MEL 200  
Tandem Mel 200mg /m<sup>2</sup> plus stem cell support

## Maintenance

No maintenance

Maintenance  
Len 10 mg/d, d 1-21  
28-d course until relapse

**Primary end point: PFS**

# Phase 3 study: MPR versus tandem ASCT

Median follow up 26 months

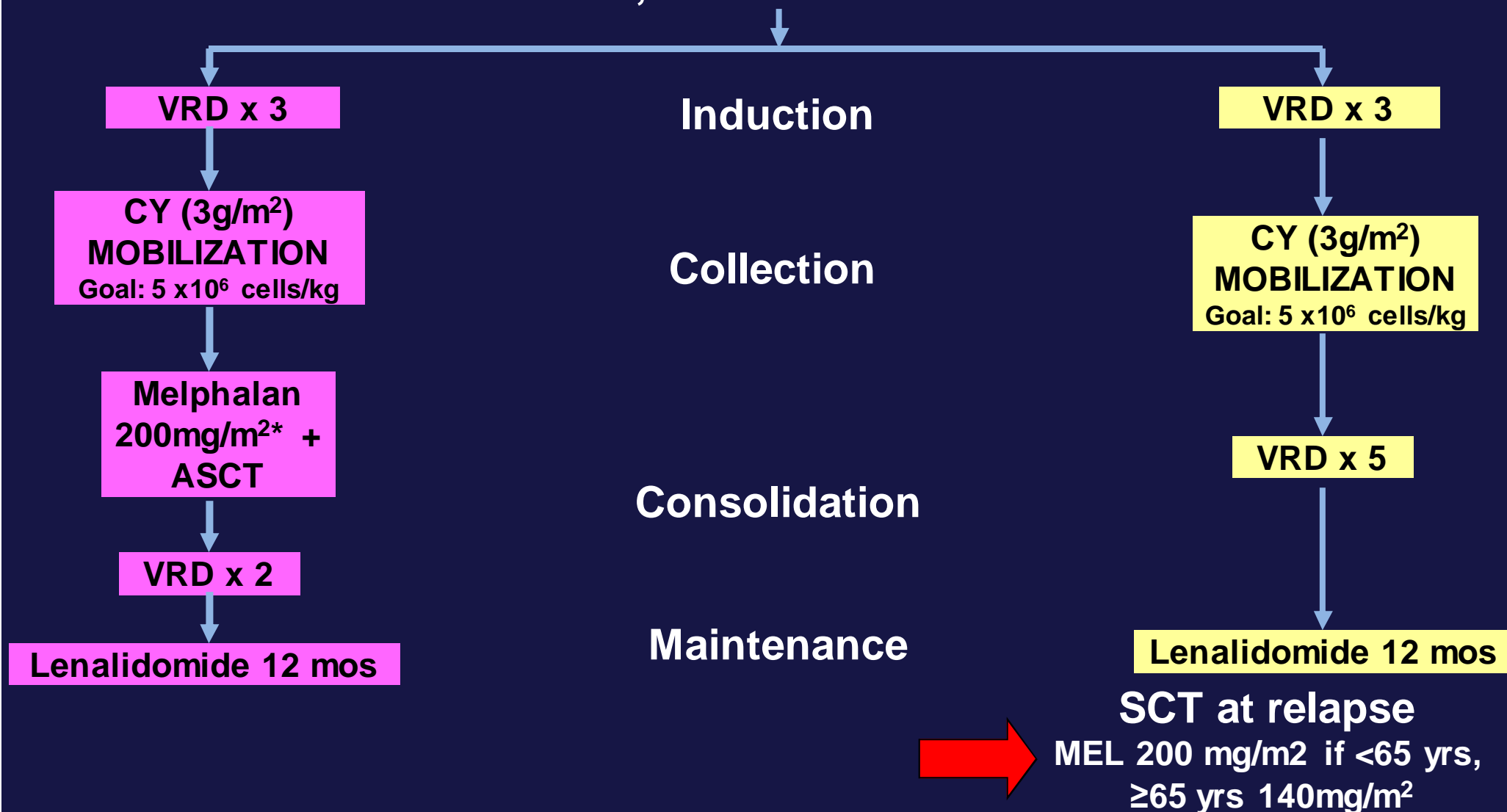
	MPR (n=202)	MEL 200 (n=200)	p
CR	20%	25%	0.49
≥VGPR	60%	58%	0.24
<b>2-year PFS</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
2-year OS	87%	90%	0.19
Standard-risk patients 2-year PFS	46%	78%	0.007
High-risk patients 2-year PFS	27%	71%	0.004
Patients who achieved CR 2-year PFS	66%	87%	<0.001
Patients who achieved PR 2-year PFS	56%	77%	<0.001
<b>Gr 3/4 neutropenia</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
<b>Gr 3/4 infections</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
<b>Gr 3/4 gastrointestinal toxicity</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
DVT	2.44%	1.13%	0.43
Second tumors	0.5%	1.5%	0.12



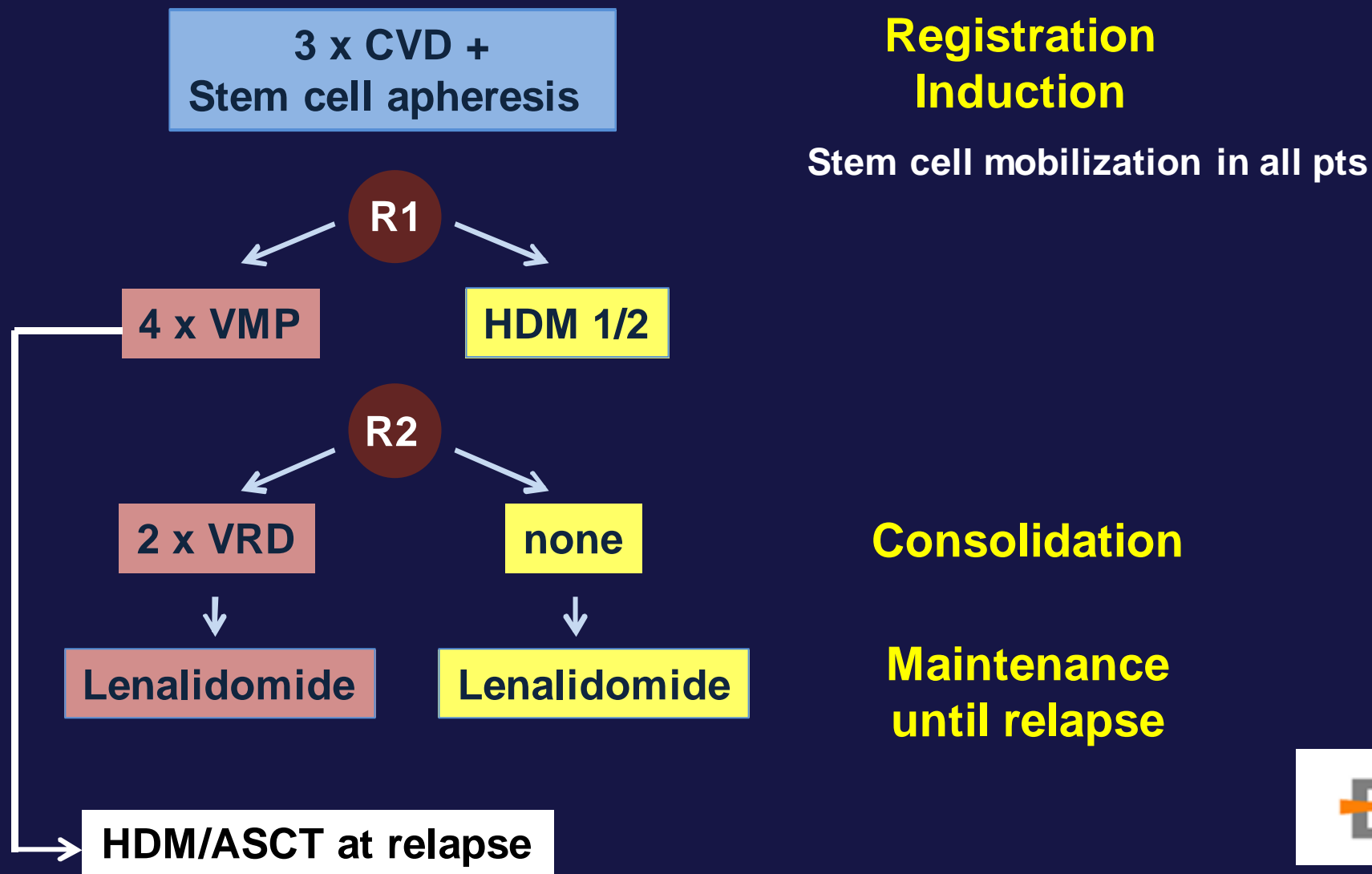
# IFM/DFCI 2009 Study

## Newly Diagnosed MM Pts (SCT candidates)

Randomize, stratification ISS & FISH



# Novel agents alone versus intensive therapy + novel agents: European Intergroup trial



# **Strategies to improve the tolerability of treatment**

# Strategies to improve the tolerability of treatment

- Changing the route of administration
- Changing treatment schedules
  - Reduction in frequency of dosing
  - Reduction in drug dosage

**Pharmacokinetics (PK) and  
pharmacodynamics (PD) of subcutaneous  
versus intravenous administration of  
bortezomib in patients with relapsed multiple  
myeloma: effects of subcutaneous injection  
site and concentration, and patient  
characteristics**

# Phase 3 trial: SC versus IV bortezomib

- **Efficacy**
  - Comparable efficacy for SC and IV administration
  - Improved safety profile with SC administration
- **Pharmacokinetics / Pharmacodynamics**
  - Systemic exposure equivalent with SC and IV administration
  - Lower  $C_{\max}$  and longer  $T_{\max}$  with SC versus IV bortezomib
  - No effect of SC injection concentration on PK or PD parameters
  - PD parameters of proteasome inhibition similar for SC and IV bortezomib

# Phase 3 trial: SC versus IV bortezomib

- **PK/PD parameters by injection site**
  - No difference between administration in thigh or abdomen regarding PK/PD parameters
- **Effect of demographic covariates on bortezomib exposure**
  - No differences in bortezomib exposure related to
    - Body mass index (BMI)
    - Body surface area (BSA)
    - Age

# Once-weekly administration of bortezomib

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		
VMP with twice-weekly bortezomib administration								
VISTA <sup>1-3,7</sup>	71%	30%	21.7m	68.5%	47%	13%	14%*	34%
VMP with once-weekly bortezomib administration								
GIMEMA <sup>4,5,7</sup>	79%	23%	27m	87%	22%	2%	4%	17%
PETHEMA/GEM <sup>6,7</sup>	80%	20%	34m	74%	n/a	7%	n/a	12%†

\*3% discontinued VMP; 11% selectively discontinued bortezomib due to PN

†Discontinuations due to SAEs

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# Improving tolerability with dose reduction

- **VD versus vtD as induction treatment prior to ASCT<sup>1</sup>**
  - Significantly reduced incidence of PN with vtD
    - Grade  $\geq 2$  PN: 34% VD arm vs 14% vtD (P=0.001)
- **Low-dose versus high-dose thalidomide for advanced MM<sup>2</sup>**
  - 100 mg/day better tolerated than 400 mg/day
    - Significantly lower rates of high-grade somnolence, constipation, nausea/vomiting and PN
- **Len 15 mg / Dex 20 for relapsed MM > 75 years of age<sup>3</sup>**
  - 45 patients, ORR : 65%, PFS 14 months

1. Moreau et al. *Blood* 2011;118(22):5752-8

2. Yakoub-Agha et al. *Eur J Haematol* 2011, Oct 25 [Epub]

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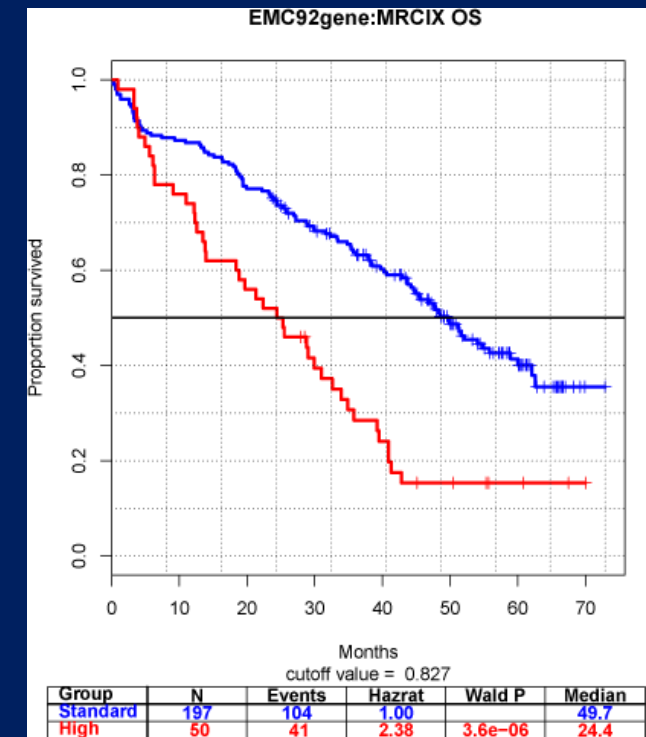
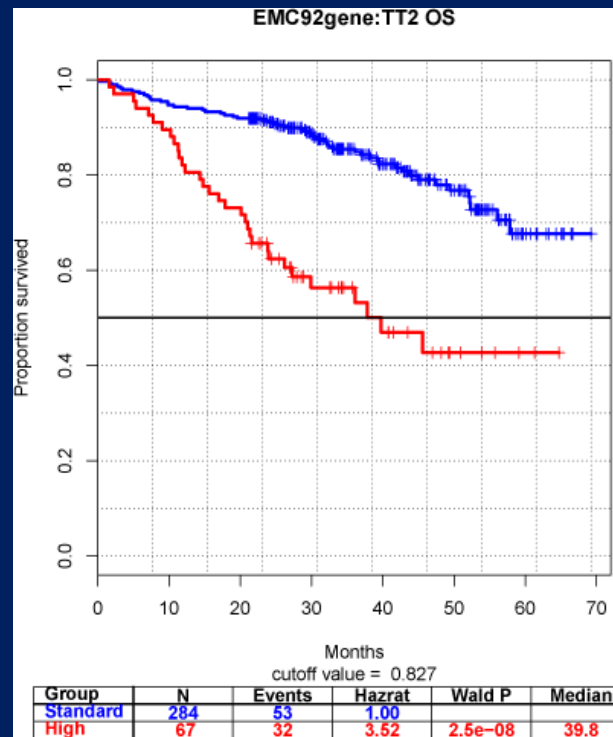
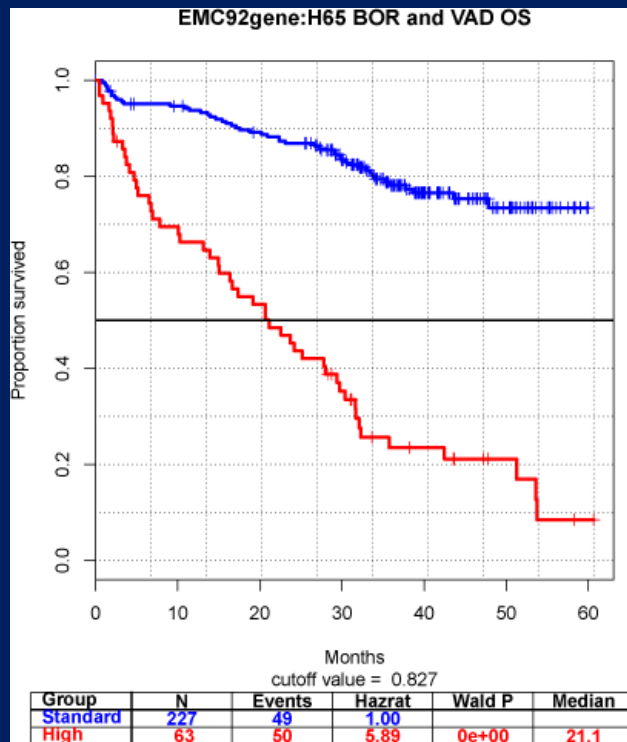
- New route of administration of Bortezomib available in 2012
- Once-a-week infusion : improvement of tolerability, maintenance
- Role of maintenance ?
- Dose reduction useful in combinations

# **New developments in high-risk MM**

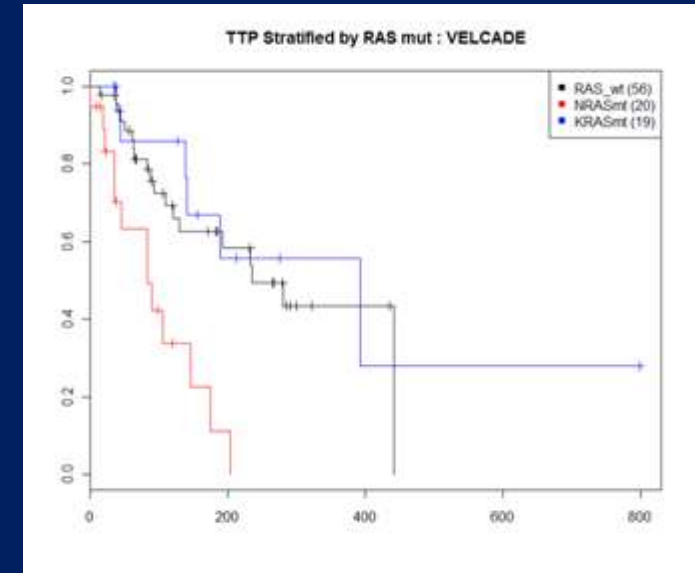
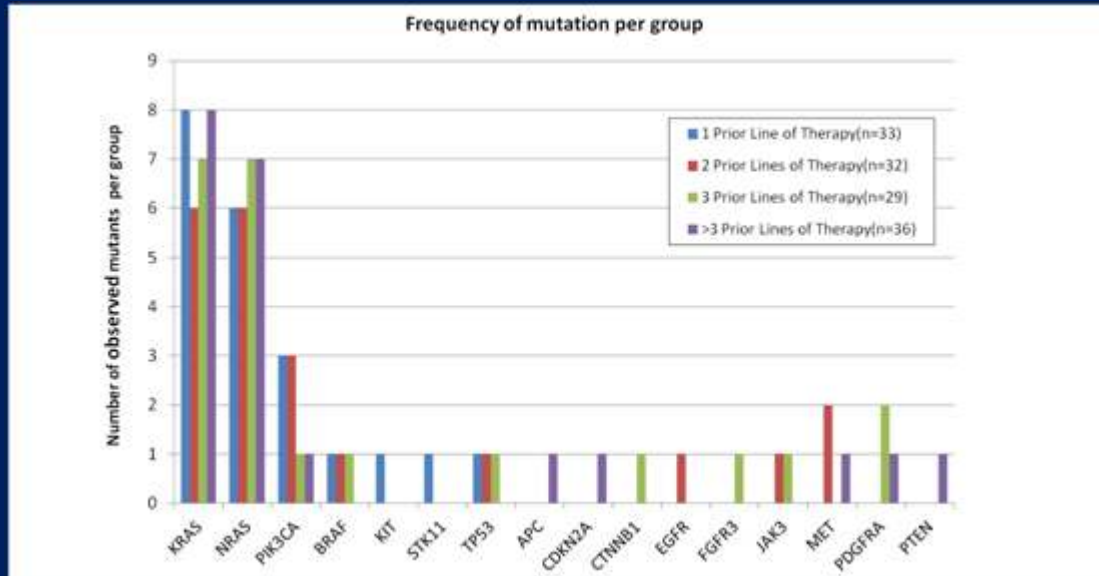
# A high-risk survival classifier for MM

- **Generation of a high-risk gene signature (EMC-92-gene signature) using HOVON65/GMMG-HD4 data**
- **EMC-92-gene signature could identify significantly shorter survival in**
  - **patients with newly diagnosed MM (transplant-eligible and non-transplant-eligible)**
  - **patients with relapsed disease**
- **Good performance in comparison to other published high-risk gene signatures**

# Efforts to improve risk stratification using GEP profiling



# Frequency of mutations detected by prior line of therapy in 133 MM samples in APEX/SUMMITT



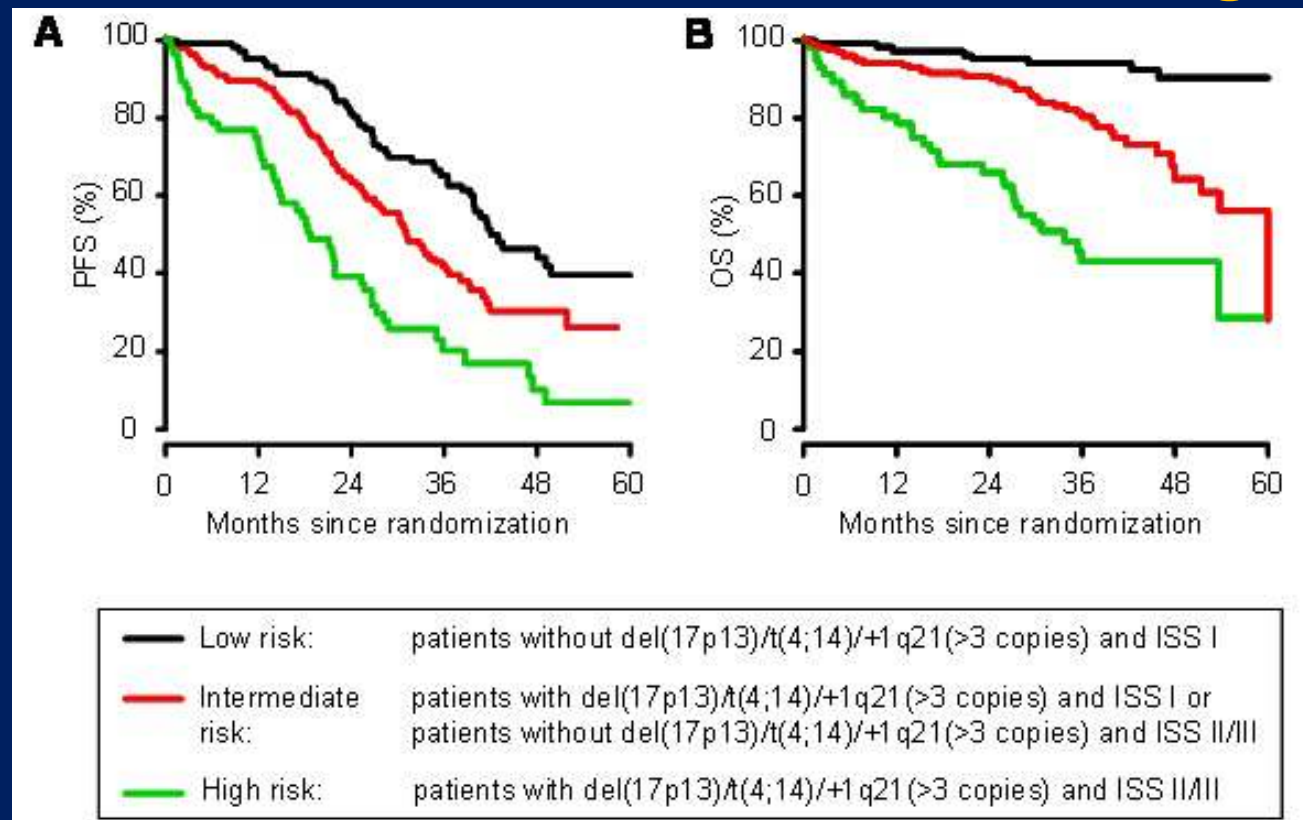
- Screening of pre-treatment tumor samples from 133 MM patients revealed mutations in 16 different genes
- Genes of the RAS/RAF pathway were mutated in 45.9% of cases.
- Of these, the most common mutations were detected in KRAS (24.1%) and NRAS (19.5%).

Cox Proportional-Hazards :

Variable	exp(coef)	p-value
KRAS	0.828	0.69
NRAS	3.9	3.5x10 <sup>-4</sup>

# HOVON-65/GMMG HD4 trial:

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3-year OS	94%*	80%*†	43%†	*0.0001, †<0.0001

## **Diffuse pattern of bone marrow involvement in MRI associated with high risk cytogenetics and poor outcome**

- Analysis of pattern of marrow involvement with MRI (n=203, newly-diagnosed)
  - Normal (14%): no evidence of abnormal signal
  - Focal (42%): localized areas of abnormal marrow
  - Diffuse (39%): normal bone marrow completely replaced

	<b>Diffuse</b>	<b>Focal</b>	<b>Normal</b>	<b>p</b>
del17p	22%	10%	0	0.04
add1q21	37%	13%	15%	0.038
del13q	48%	28%	24%	0.056
high risk cytogenetics [any of del17p, add1q21, t(4;14) or t(14;16)]	56%	31%	22%	0.012
Median OS (months)	37	57	102	<0.001

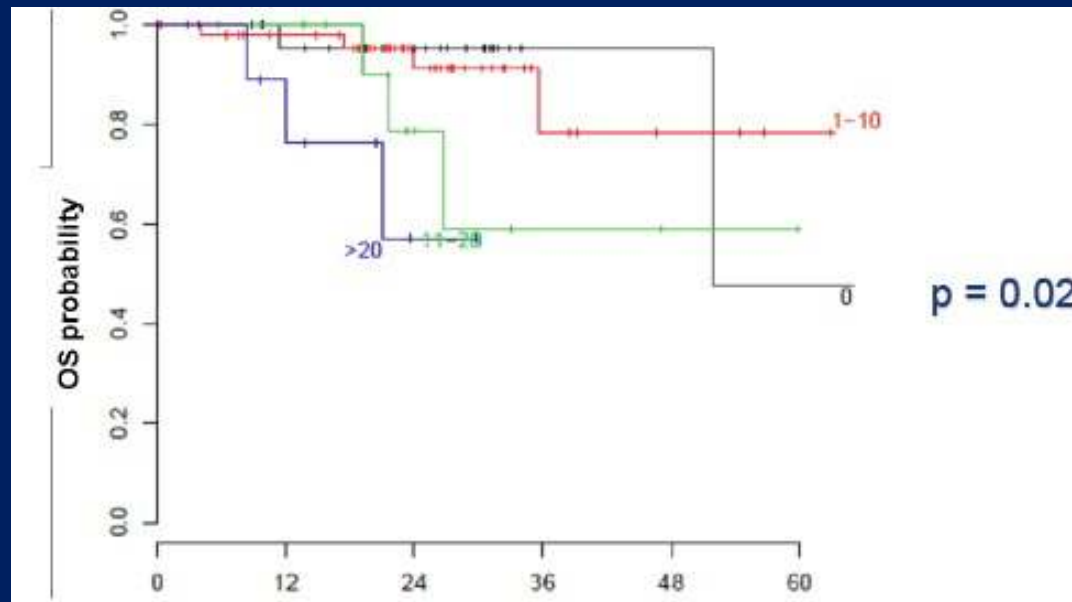
- **Conclusions**
  - Strong correlation of diffuse pattern with poor OS, even with novel agents
  - Importance baseline MRI in all patients with symptomatic disease



# Prognostic significance of persisting focal lesions after ASCT

- Study details: whole body MRI conducted before systemic treatment and post-ASCT

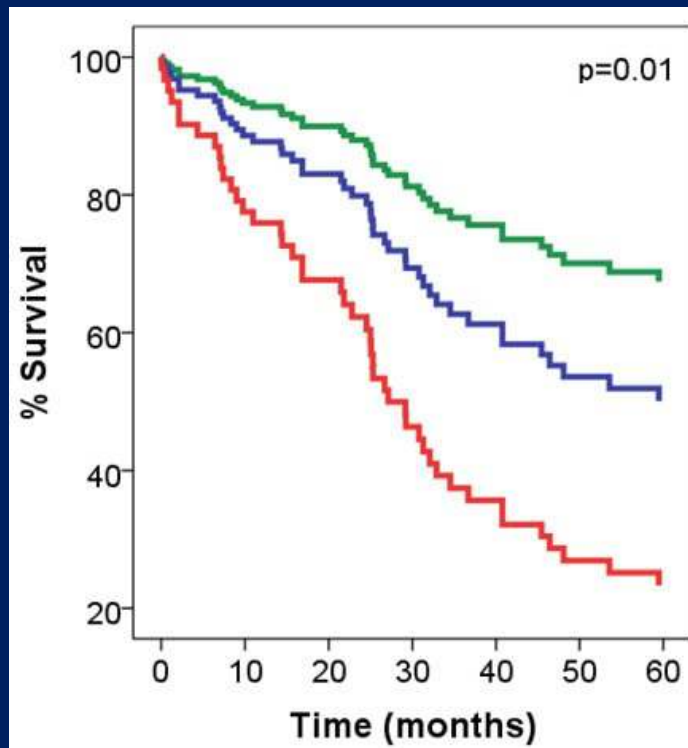
OS probability for patient groups according to number of focal lesions at second MRI (post-ASCT)



- Number of focal lesions after ASCT had significant impact on OS
- Importance of measuring residual disease after systemic treatment

# Prognostic information derived from serum heavy/light chain and free light chain measurements

- Highly abnormal HLC ratio associated with significantly reduced OS
- Monitoring pts with FLC and HLC assays showed significant changes in clonal protein production
- Risk stratification model using highly abnormal HLC and FLC ratios:



**0 risk factors (FLC ratio >0.1 or <30 and HLC ratio >0.022 or <45)**

**1 risk factor (FLC ratio <0.1 or >30 or HLC ratio <0.022 or >45)**

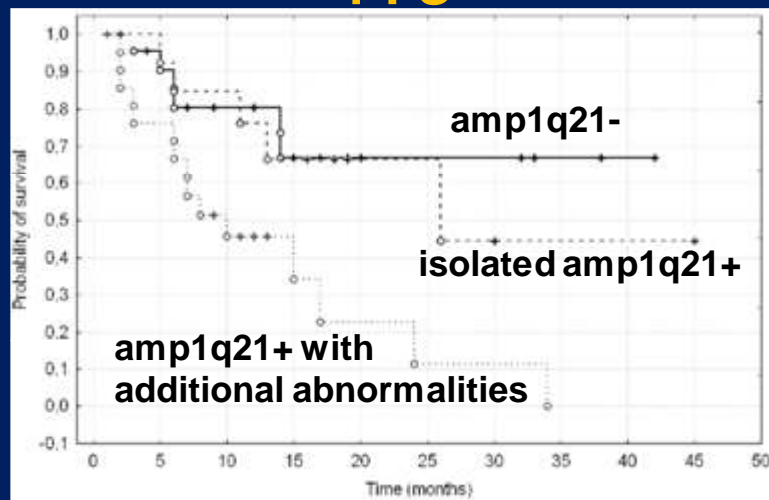
**2 risk factors (FLC ratio <0.1 or >30 and HLC ratio <0.022 or >45)**

# **Novel agents and cytogenetic abnormalities**

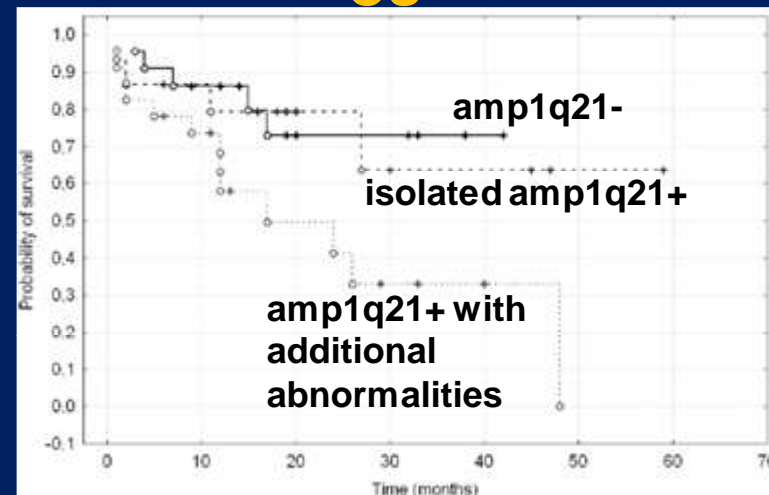
# Novel agents and cytogenetic abnormalities: thalidomide

- n=79, newly diagnosed, treated with CTD (n=59) +/- ASCT, MPT (n=20)
- Cytogenetic abnormalities:
  - amp1q21 (49%), del13q14 (48%), t(4;14) (20%), del17p13 (16%)
  - amp1q21 + del13q14 (30%)
  - amp1q21 + t(4;14) (15%)
  - amp1q21 + del17p13 (6%)

**PFS**



**OS**



- amp1q21 + other abnormalities associated with shortened PFS and OS
- Thal-based regimens should not be recommended in these patients

# Novel agents and cytogenetic abnormalities: bortezomib

- **t(4;14):**
  - Bortezomib improves outcomes compared to conventional treatments<sup>1</sup>
- **del17p:**
  - Remains challenging, but
    - **Analysis of HOVON/GMMG trial<sup>2</sup>**
      - Adverse impact of del(17p13) on PFS and OS could be significantly reduced by bortezomib-based treatment

	With bortezomib	Without bortezomib	p
Median PFS	26.2 months	12 months	0.024
3-year OS	69%	17%	0.028

<sup>1</sup>Reece DE. ASH 2011 Educational Session; ASH Education Program Book 2011:197-204

<sup>2</sup>Neben et al. Blood 2011; Published online before print December 8, 2011

# **Lenalidomide/dex versus therapeutic abstinence in high-risk smoldering MM**

# Len-dex vs no treatment: TTP to active disease (n = 119) ITT analysis

Median follow-up: 32 months (range 12–49)

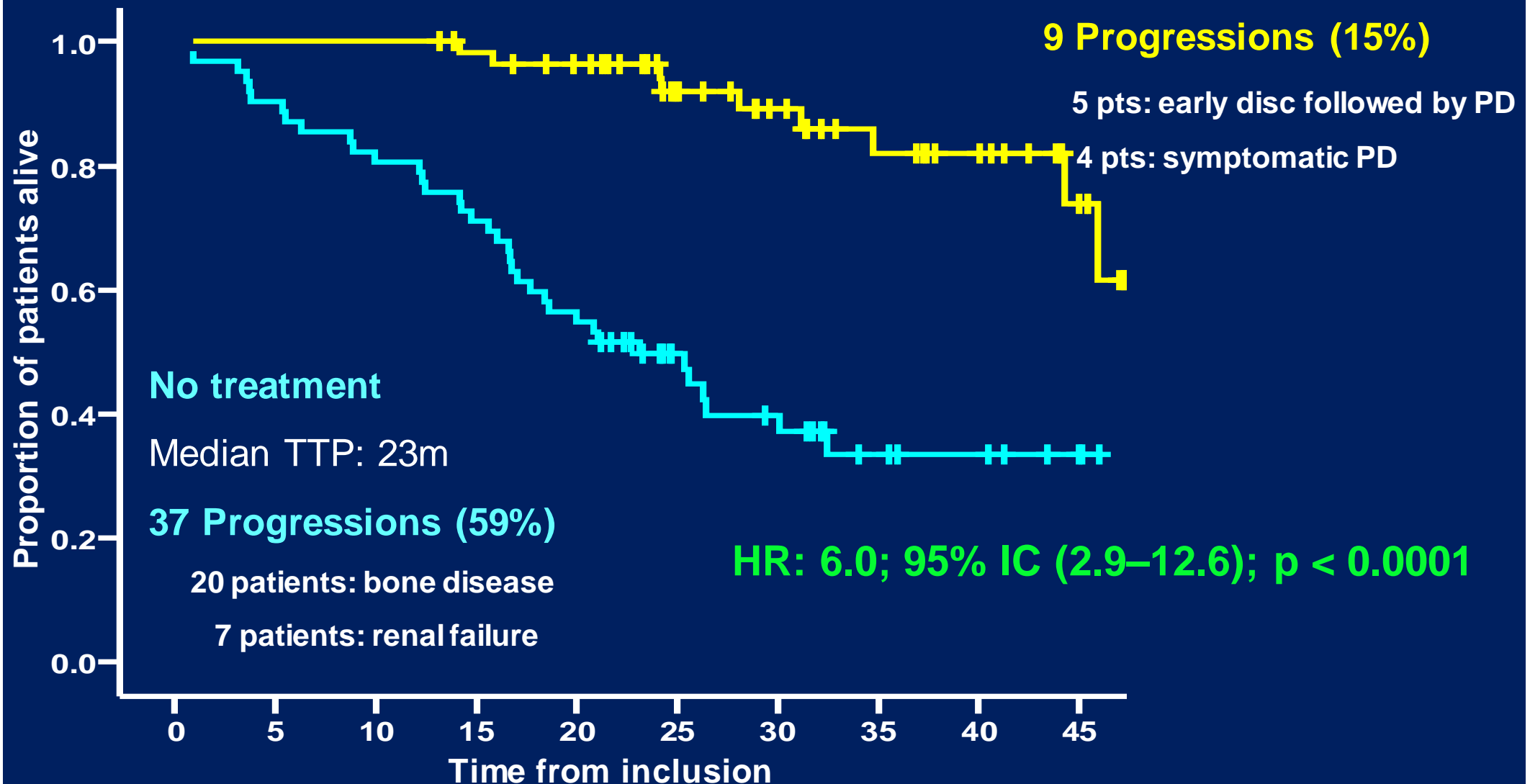
**Lenalidomide + dex**

Median TTP: NR

**9 Progressions (15%)**

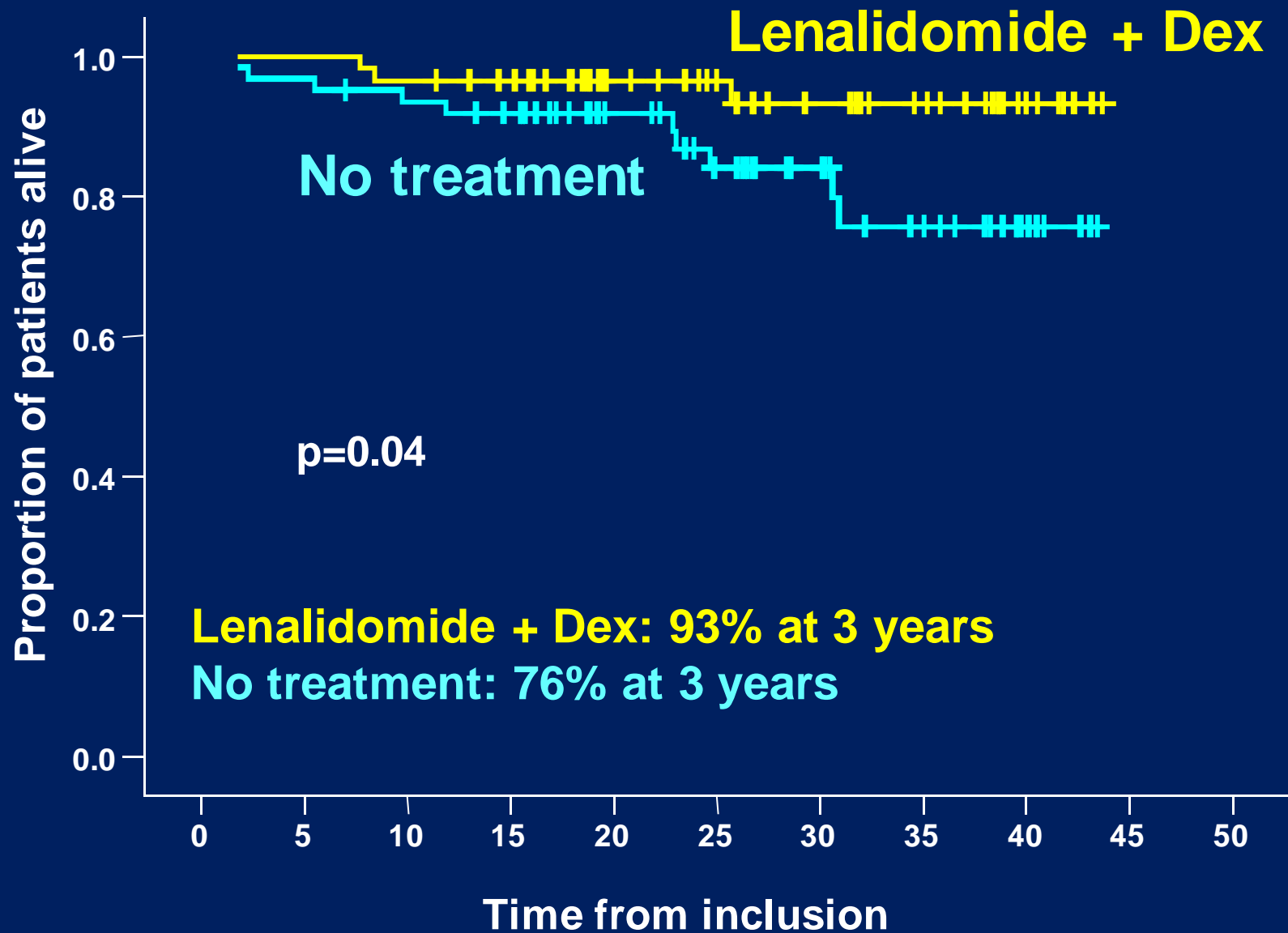
5 pts: early disc followed by PD

4 pts: symptomatic PD



# Len-dex vs no treatment: OS from inclusion (n = 119)

Median follow-up: 32 months (range 12–49)



*Mateos et al. ASH 2011 (Abstract 991), oral presentation*



# Toxicity profile

## During induction (n:57)

	G1-2	G3
Anemia	15 (28%)	1(2%)
<b>Neutropenia</b>	<b>11 (20%)</b>	3 (5%)
Thrombocytopenia	7 (13%)	1 (2%)
<b>Asthenia</b>	<b>11 (20%)</b>	<b>4 (7%)</b>
Constipation	10 (18%)	-
<b>Diarrhea</b>	<b>13 (24%)</b>	1 (2%)
<b>Rash</b>	<b>18 (33%)</b>	2 (4%)
Parestesias	3 (5%)	-
Tremor	7 (13%)	-
<b>Infection*</b>	<b>25 (46%)</b>	<b>4 (6%)</b>
<b>DVT**</b>	<b>3 (5%)</b>	

*\*One infection was Grade 4*

*\*\*DVT prophylaxis with Aspirin (100mg) in 1 pt, oral anticoagulation in 1 pt with low INR levels and no px in the other one*

## During maintenance (n:50)

	G1	G2
Anemia	4( 11%)	1 (3%)
<b>Neutropenia</b>	<b>1 (3%)</b>	<b>3 (9%)</b>
Thrombocytopenia	-	3 (9%)
<b>Asthenia</b>		<b>1(2%)</b>
Parestesias		1(2%)
Tremor	1(2%)	
<b>Infection</b>	<b>6 (21%)</b>	<b>3 (11%)</b>

# Conclusions/Recommendations

- In clinical trials “high-risk disease” should be defined in a uniform way across trials
- This probably requires combination(s) of clinical and molecular characteristics
- FISH in a standardized way should become mandatory for reports of clinical trials
- It is recommended to include PET-CT (or MRI ?) at start and at end of planned treatment to detect focal lesions and biopsy active lesions
- Molecular profiling in clinical trials may be the next step towards identifying risk groups

**Treatment at relapse: sequencing,  
retreatment and rescue strategies,  
including update on new agents**

# Sequence of therapy in MM: Does it matter?

- Retrospective evaluation of patients (n=208) with MM who received bortezomib followed by lenalidomide or vice versa

	Lenalidomide first (n=97)	Bortezomib first (n=111)	p
Median OS	78.5 months	74 months	0.62
Median OS in pts with serum creatinine $\geq 2$ mg/dl at diagnosis	24.1 months	53.9 months	0.01
$\geq$ PR to bortezomib-based therapy	68.%	77.2%	0.265
$\geq$ PR to lenalidomide-based therapy	60.4%	73.6%	0.168

- Multivariable analysis:
  - baseline renal dysfunction and presence of bone disease at diagnosis predictors of worse outcomes
  - sequence of therapy not a predictor of outcome

# VANTAGE 088: Phase 3 Bortezomib + vorinostat vs bortezomib

- Patients (n=637), median age 61 ( $\geq 65$  years 37%)
  - 1-3 prior lines (20% prior bortezomib)
- Treatment (21-day cycles)
  - Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> days 1, 4, 8, 11 +/- vorinostat 400 mg/d days 1 to 14
- Results

	Bortezomib + Vorinostat	Bortezomib	p
ORR	56%	41%	< 0.0001
Median PFS	7.63 months	6.83 months	0.01
Median OS	Not reached	28.1 months	Ns

# VANTAGE 088: Phase 3 Bortezomib + vorinostat vs bortezomib

	Bortezomib + Vorinostat	Bortezomib + placebo
Grade 3/4 hematological adverse events		
Anemia	17%	13%
Thrombocytopenia	45%	24%
Neutropenia	28%	25%
Grade 3/4 non-hematological adverse events		
Constipation	2%	1%
Diarrhea	17%	9%
Nausea	8%	4%
Vomiting	7%	4%
PN	8%	8%
Vorinostat/placebo dose reduction	50%	25%
Discontinuations (mainly due to GI AEs & PN)	21%	22%

*Dimopoulos et al. ASH 2011 (Abstract 811), oral presentation*

# Phase 2: Siltuximab + dex in relapsed/refractory MM

## Final results

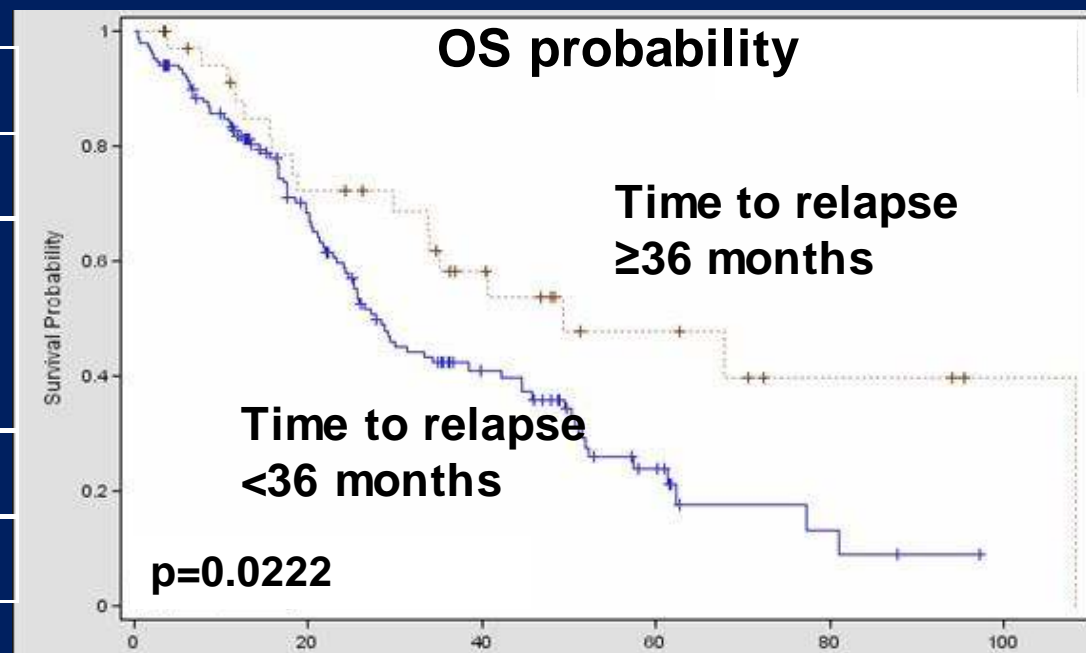
- Patients (n=49), median age 65 yrs,
  - heavily pretreated (prior bortezomib, steroids, IMiDs, alkylating agents, ASCT )
- **Results**
  - PR 17%,  $\geq$  MR 23.4
    - Responses in pts refractory to last Dex-containing regimen
  - Median PFS 3.7 months
  - Median OS 20.4 months
  - Non-hematologic grade  $\geq 3$  AEs: fatigue (8%), abnormal hepatic function (8%), pneumonia (6%)
  - Grade 4 hematologic toxicities: thrombocytopenia (12%), neutropenia (4%) anemia (2%)
  - 25% of pts discontinued treatment due to an AE

# Second ASCT at relapse after prior ASCT

## Report From the Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research (CIBMTR)

- n=187
- Median time between ASCT 1 & 2: 32 months (in 69% > 24 months)
- Median follow up after ASCT 2: 47 months

	Post ASCT 2		
	1 year	2 years	3 years
Cumulative incidence of relapse	51%	82%	91%
PFS	47%	13%	5%
OS	83%	46%	29%



- Second ASCT at relapse is feasible
- Best outcome observed in later relapses (>36 months from ASCT 1)



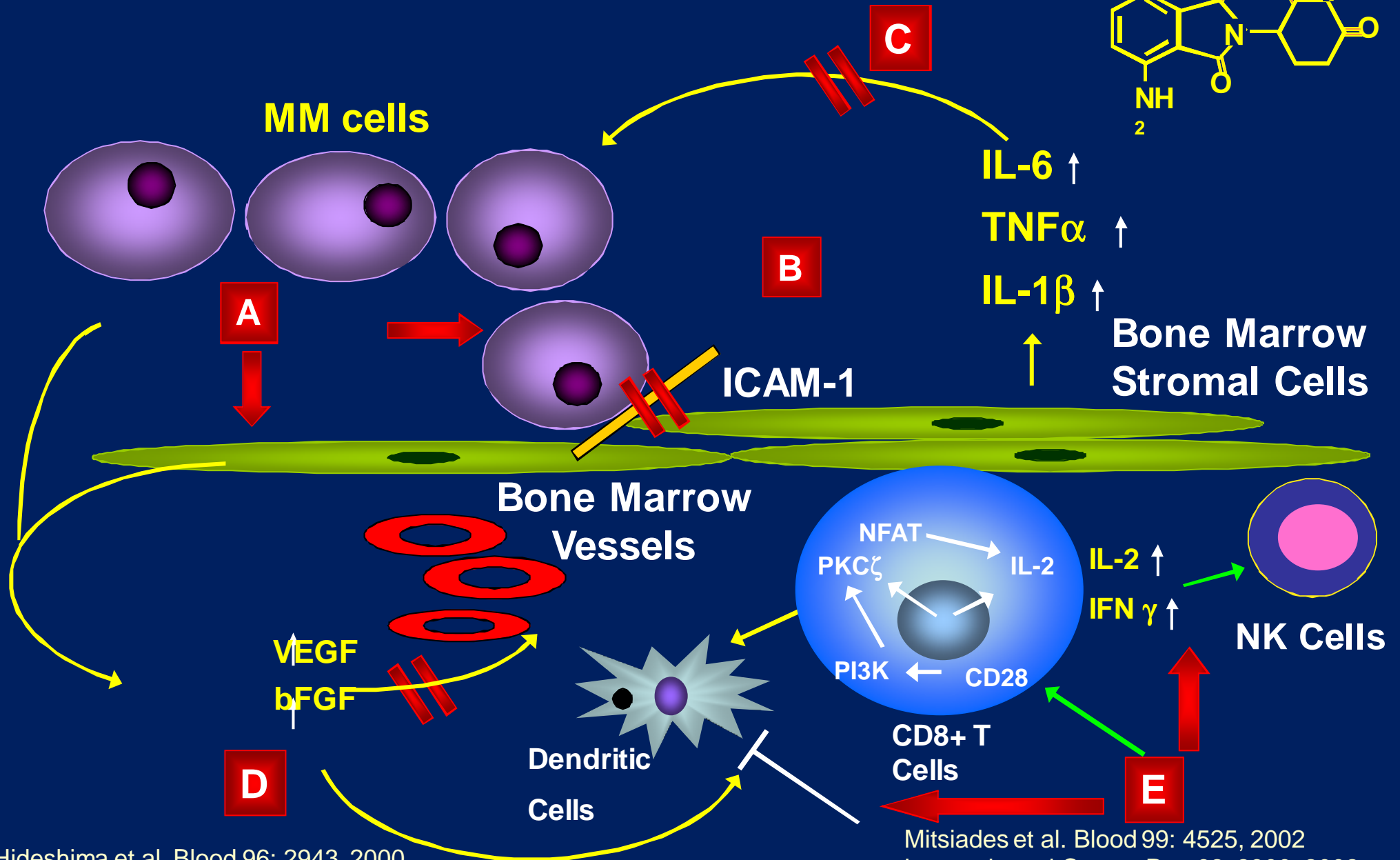
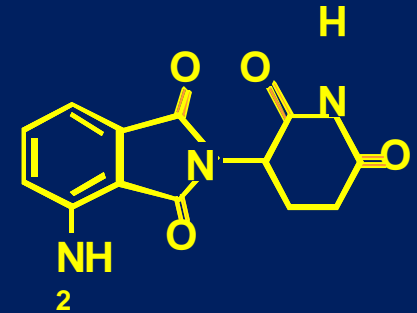
# Refractory MM: combinations with bortezomib

Study details	Results	Abstract
Phase 2b trial: <b>Vorinostat + bortezomib</b> in <b>bortezomib-refractory</b> pts (Vantage 095)	n=143 • $\geq$ PR 17%, $\geq$ MR 31%, $\geq$ SD 77% • Median OS 11.2 months • Grade 3/4 AEs: Anemia 38%, thrombocytopenia 68%, neutropenia 32%, febrile neutropenia 4%, nausea 7%, diarrhea 17%, fatigue 13% • PN: all grades 22%, gr 3/4 2%	Siegel, ASH 2011, # 480
Phase 2 study: <b>Panobinostat + bortezomib + dex</b> in <b>bortezomib-refractory</b> pts (PANORAMA 2)	n=55 • $\geq$ PR 29%, nCR 4%, PR 25% • $\geq$ MR 49% • Grade 3/4 AEs : thrombocytopenia 53%, anemia 16%, fatigue 16%, diarrhea 14% • PN all grades 24%, 1 grade 3 event	Richardson, ASH 2011, # 814

# Refractory MM: combinations with bortezomib

Study details	Results	Abstract		
Phase 1/2: Perifosine + Bortezomib -/+ Dex in bortezomib- refractory pts	• n=84			
		Response	PFS	OS
	All pts	≥ PR 22% CR/nCR 4%	6.4 months	25 months
	Pts refractory to bortezomib	≥ PR 13% CR/nCR 2%	5.7 months	22.5 months
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grade 3/4 AEs: thrombocytopenia 23%, neutropenia 15%, anemia 14%</li> <li>2 pts with gr 3 PN</li> <li>No grade 4 PN</li> </ul>		
		Richardson ASH 2011, # 815		

# Pomalidomide in Myeloma



Hideshima et al. Blood 96: 2943, 2000  
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 Hayashi T et al. Brit J Hematol 128: 192, 2005

# Refractory MM: combinations with IMiDs

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Study details	Results	Abstract
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Phase 2:  
Pomalidomide +  
Dex

- n=84

	ORR	PFS
All pts	34.5%	9.1 months
Pts refractory to len	36%	5.7 months
Pts refractory to len and bortezomib	31%	3.8 months
- No cross-resistance between pomalidomide and lenalidomide

Leleu,  
ASH 2011,  
# 812

# Phase 2: single agent carfilzomib (PX-171-004)

- **Patients** (n=129), bortezomib-naïve, 65% refractory to most recent therapy
- **Carfilzomib dose**
  - Cohort 1: 20 mg/m<sup>2</sup> for all treatment cycles
  - Cohort 2: dose-escalating regimen of 20 mg/m<sup>2</sup> for cycle 1 and 27 mg/m<sup>2</sup> thereafter

# Phase 2: single agent carfilzomib (PX-171-004)

	Cohort 1 (n=59)	Cohort 2 (n=70)
≥ PR	42%	52%
≥ MR	59%	64%
DOR	13.1 months	NR
Time to response	1 month	1.9 months
TTP	8.3 months	NR
PFS	8.2 months	NR
Median OS	NR	NR
PN		
grade 1/2	14%	19%
grade 3/4	2%	0

NR, not reached

## PN single-agent bortezomib:

- Rel/ref MM (APEX) all grades 36%, grade 3/4 8%

# Marizomib and MLN9708

## Study details

## Results

## Abstract

### Phase 1: Marizomib +/- Dex

- 21 pts; bi-weekly
- All pts:  $\geq$  SD 55%, MR+PR 15%
- Pts refractory to bortezomib:  $\geq$  SD 67%, MR+PR 17%
- Pts refractory to len:  $\geq$  SD 62%, MR+PR 23%
- AEs: fatigue, nausea, vomiting, headache, fever, dizziness
- Dose-limiting toxicity: hallucinations
- PN, thrombocytopenia, neutropenia not seen

Richardson,  
ASH 2011,  
# 302

### Phase 1: MLN9708

- 56 pts; biweekly dosing, no dex
- $\geq$ PR 6 pts, CR 1 pt, MR 1 pt, SD 28 pts
- Grade 3/4 AEs: thrombocytopenia, (n=19), neutropenia (n=8), fatigue (n=5), rash (n=5), abdominal pain, anemia, hypophosphatemia, leukopenia (n=2 for each)
- 6 pts (11%) with drug-related PN: 4 gr 1, 2 gr 2

Richardson,  
ASH 2011,  
# 301

# Phase 2: Elotuzumab + Len + low-dose Dex in relapsed/refractory MM

- Patients (n=73), 1-3 prior lines of therapy
- Treatment: Elotuzumab 10 mg/kg or 20 mg/kg + Len + Dex
- Results
  - **Response:**
    - ORR 82%,  $\geq$  VGPR 36%, sCR/CR 12%
      - 100%  $\geq$  PR in pts with 1 prior therapy
    - Median time to response: 1 month (2 months to best response)
  - Median FU: 14.1 months, median PFS not reached (PFS rate 75%)
  - **AEs**
    - Grade 3/4 AEs: lymphopenia (16%), thrombocytopenia (16%), neutropenia (16%)
    - Infusion reactions: nausea, pyrexia, rash
      - No Grade 4 infusion reactions
      - Premedication decreased incidence and severity of infusion reactions



# Phase 1: BT062 in rel/ref MM

- Chimeric humanized IgG4 anti-CD138 mAb
  - Covalently linked to tubulin toxin (maytansinoid)

## Results

- Patients (n=32), median 7 lines prior therapy
  - All exposed to bortezomib + IMiDs
- Dosing: once every 3 weeks
- MTD: 160 mg/m<sup>2</sup>
- AE:
  - Mainly grade 1/2: diarrhea, nausea, fatigue
  - Most grade 3/4 AEs due to decrease in blood counts
  - SAEs: GI bleed, mucositis, hand-foot syndrome, blurred vision, dry eyes, stomatitis
- ≥ SD 50%
- 2 MR, 1 PR

**Questions ?**