## CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA New Treatment Options

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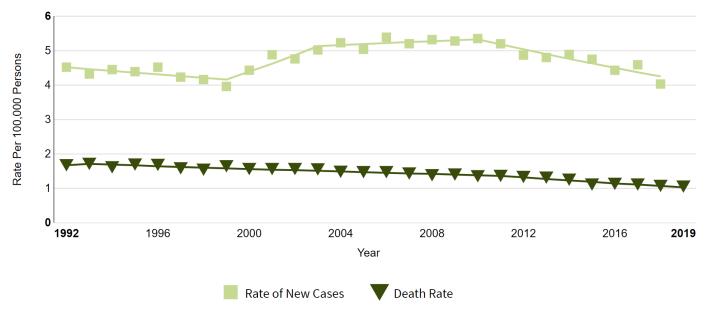
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## Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Statistics

Estimated New Cases in 2021	21,250
% of All New Cancer Cases	1.1%
Estimated Deaths in 2021	4,320
% of All Cancer Deaths	0.7%

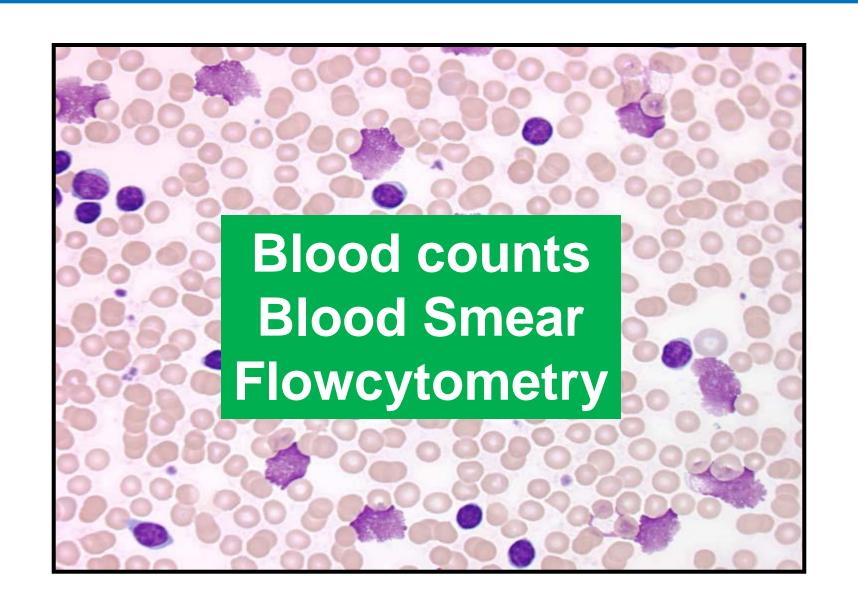




### **Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia**

How is CLL diagnosed?

### **Blood Smear in CLL**



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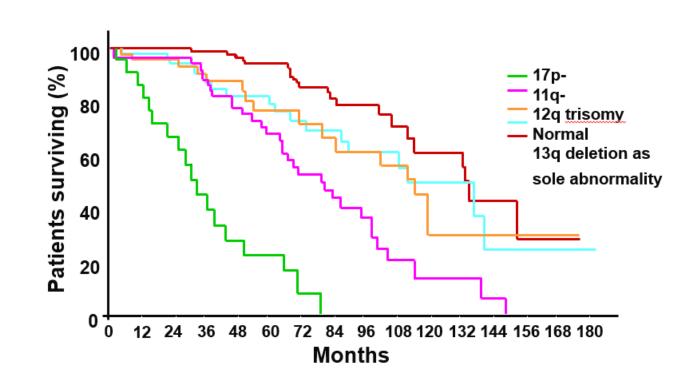
What is my prognosis?

# Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia *Prognostic Factors*

Prognostic Featur	e Associated With Po	Associated With Poor Prognosis	
CD38 expression	Chromosome Study	sion (30%)	
Zap-70 expressio		sion (20%)	
IGHV mutation sta	FISH	CLL	
Serum β2 macrog	PCR	mg/L)	
FISH cytogenetics	<b>Mutation Analysis</b>	(11q)	
Gene mutations	NGS	SF3B1, or ATM	

## **CLL: Prognostic Value of FISH**

- Deletions on the long arm of chromosome 13 is most commonly observed (55% of all cases)
  - Isolated del(13q14) is associated with a benign disease course
- 17p deletion and/or TP53 mutation is an adverse prognostic feature, predicting for inferior responses and survival in CLL
  - Lower responses to chemoimmunotherapy
- Important to obtain at diagnosis and should be repeated before subsequent therapies as additional genetic abnormalities may be acquired



### **Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia**

# What are the indications for starting treatment?

### **NCI-WG** Indications to Treat

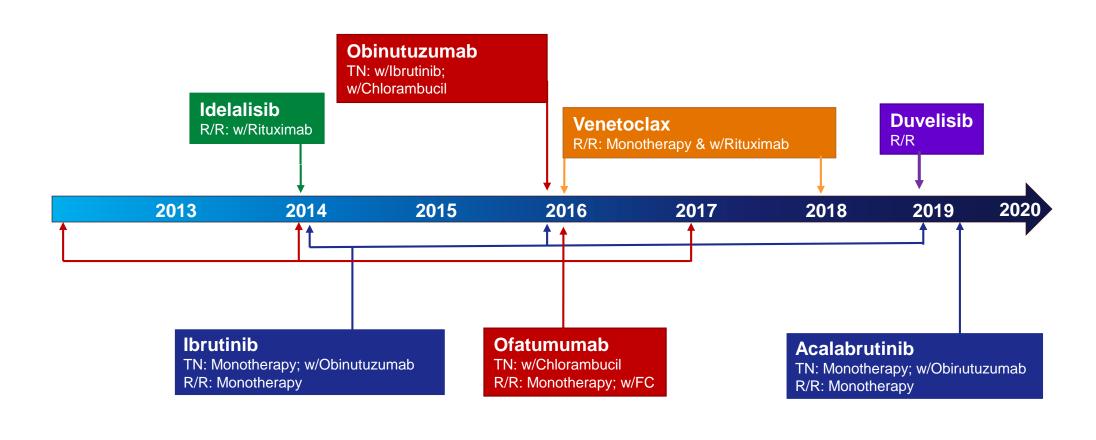
- Constitutional symptoms referable to CLL
- Progressive marrow failure
- Observation is appropriate in the absence of indication for therapy

  Massive or progressive spienomegaly
- Massive or progressive lymphadenopathy
- Progressive lymphocytosis

### **First-Line Treatment**

- Chemotherapy
- Monoclonal Antibodies
- Combinations:
  - -FCR, BR
- Ibrutinib (Imbruvica)
- Acalabrutinib (Calquence)
- Venetoclax (Venclexta)
- Clinical Trials

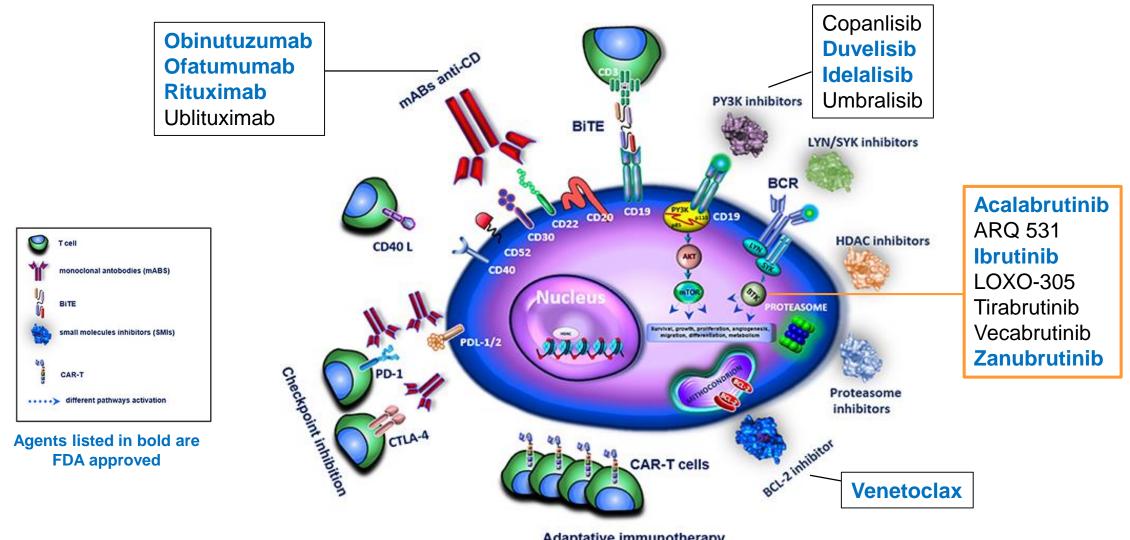
## Timeline of New Agents for CLL



Not yet approved for CLL

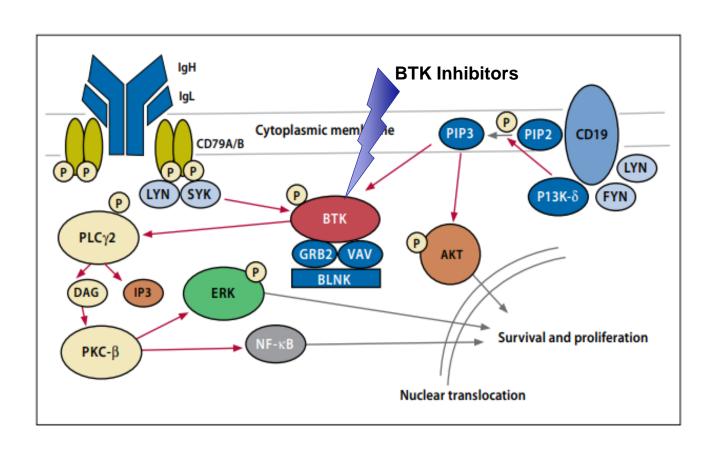
**CAR T-cells** 

### **Targeted Treatment Options for CLL**



Adaptative immunotherapy

## BTK Inhibitors Mechanism of Action

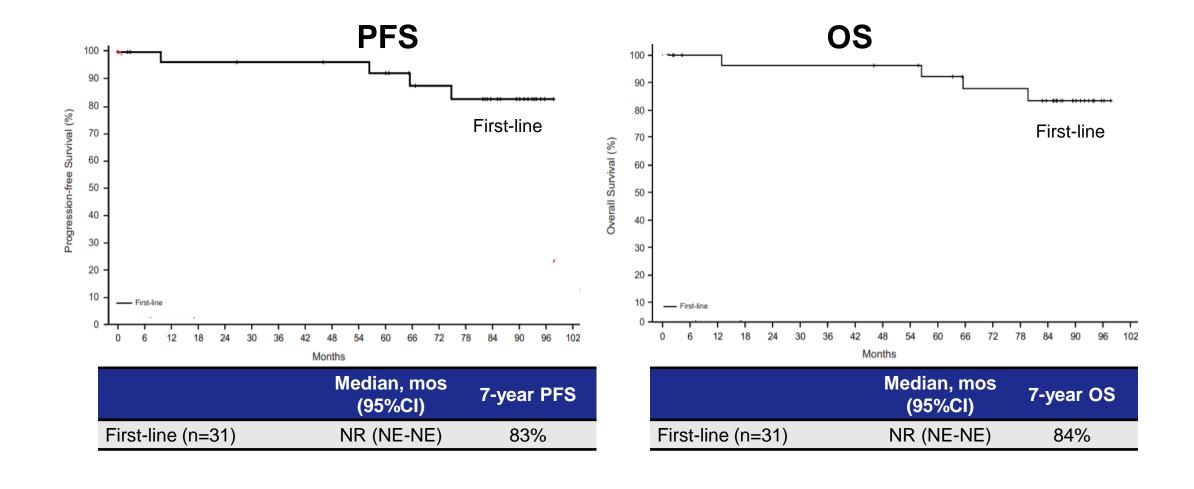


- Selective tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs)
- Acalabrutinib, Ibrutinib, Zanubrutinib:
   Forms a covalent bond with a cysteine residue in the BTK active site, leading to inhibition of BTK enzymatic activity
- Vecabrutinib, LOXO-305, ARQ 531:
   Noncovalent binding to BTK
- Blocks B-cell receptor signaling and survival, proliferation, and migration of cancerous B cells

## **Summary of FDA-Approved BTK Inhibitors**

	Ibrutinib	Acalabrutinib	Zanubrutinib
FDA-approved indications	<ul> <li>CLL (monotherapy or w/obinutuzumab or rituximab)</li> <li>R/R MCL</li> <li>WM</li> <li>MZL (after ≥ 1anti-CD20-based therapy)</li> <li>cGVHD</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CLL/SLL (monotherapy or with obinutuzumab)</li> <li>R/R MCL (monotherapy)</li> </ul>	R/R MCL
Method of administration	<ul> <li>CLL/SLL, WM, and cGVHD: 420 mg taken orally once daily</li> <li>MCL and MZL: 560 mg taken orally once daily</li> </ul>	100 mg every 12 hours orally	Once daily (320 mg) or twice daily (160 mg) orally
Key toxicities	<ul> <li>Bleeding, atrial fibrillation, diarrhea, fatigue, and increased risk for infection</li> </ul>	Headaches, diarrhea, fatigue, infection, anemia	Diarrhea, infection, fatigue, anemia

### 8-Year Follow-up of Ibrutinib Monotherapy: High Rates of OS, ORR and Long-term Tolerability in CLL



### Phase 3 RESONATE-2: 5-Year Update

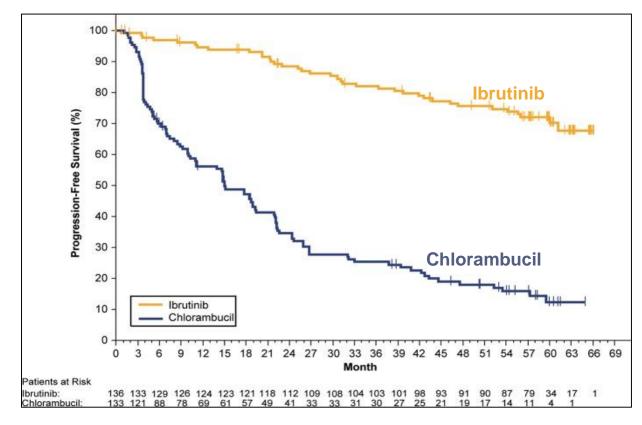
**Ibrutinib Provides Durable Response as Initial Therapy in Frail Pts** 

### **Efficacy**

 Ibrutinib benefit was also consistent in patients with high prognostic risk (TP53 mutation, 11q deletion, and/or unmutated IGHV)

### Safety

 Discontinuation due to AEs decreased over time, with 58% of ibrutinib pts continuing daily treatment

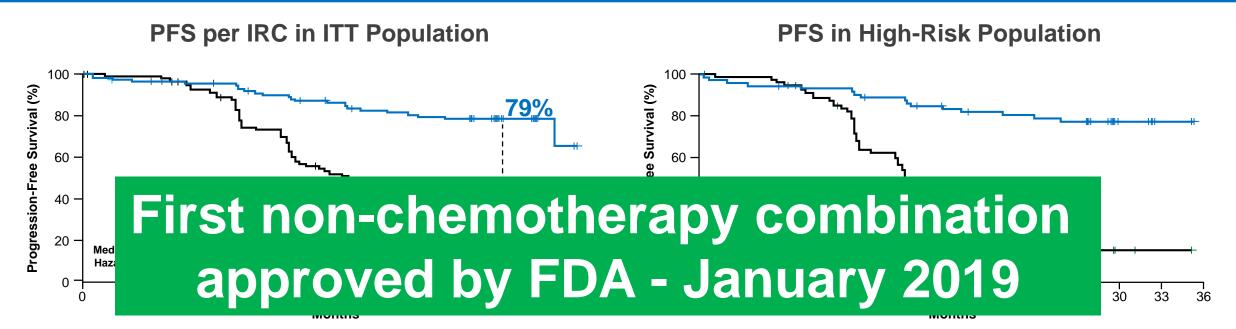


	Median PFS, mo	HR (95% CI)
Ibrutinib	NE	0 146 (0 000 0 210)
Chlorambucil	15.0	0.146 (0.098-0.218)

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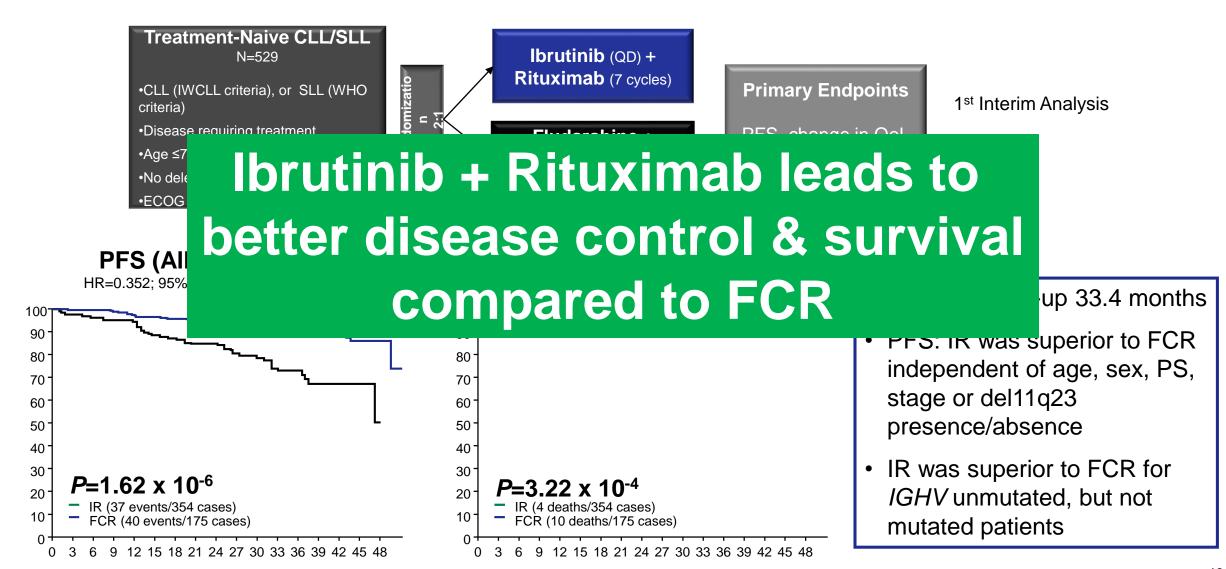
# Three major studies in 2019 that have influenced the first-line therapy of CLL

## Obinutuzumab + Ibrutinib or Chlorambucil in Treatment-Naive CLL/SLL (Phase 3 iLLUMINATE)

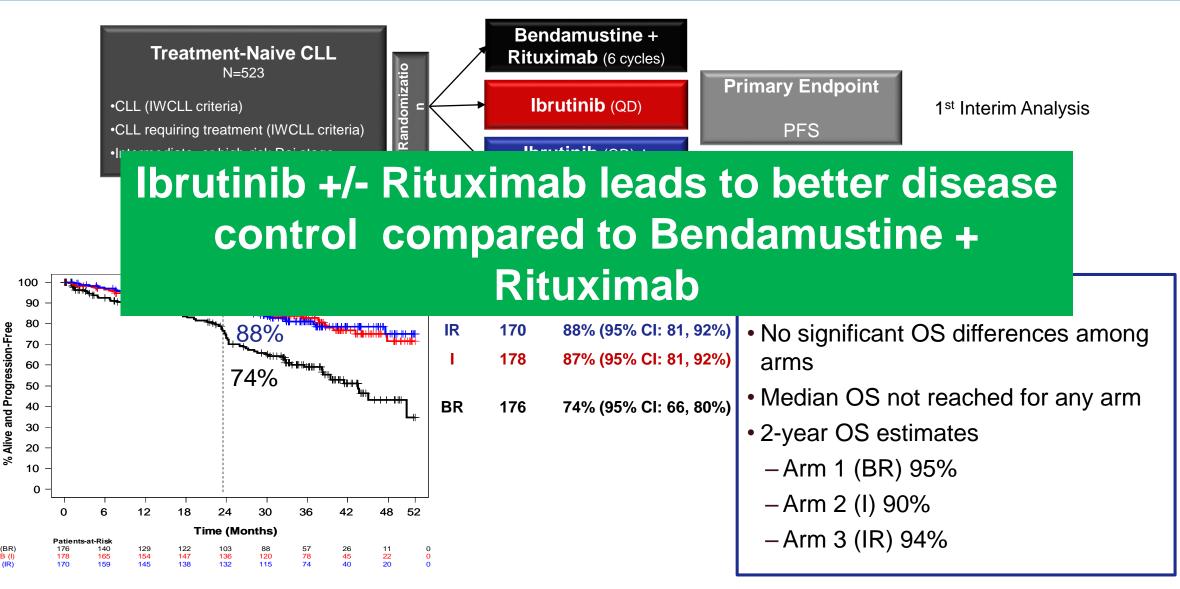


	Obinutuzumab + Ibrutinib	Obinutuzumab + Chlorambucil
ORR per IRC (per investigator)	88% (91%)	73% (81%)
CR/CRi per IRC (per investigator)	19% (41%)	8% (16%)
Patients with undetectable MRD	35%	25%
OS rate at 30 months	86%	85%

## IR vs FCR in Pts with Treatment-Naive CLL/SLL (Phase 3 ECOG-ACRIN E1912)



## BR vs IR vs Ibrutinib Alone in Older Patients with Treatment-Naive CLL (*Phase 3 ALLIANCE A041202*)

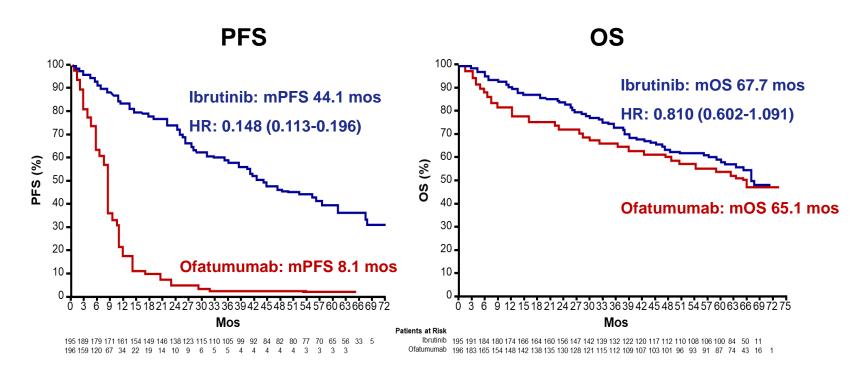


## **Treatment for Relapsed CLL**

- Chemotherapy
- Monoclonal Antibodies
  - Ofatumumab (Arzerra)
  - Alemtuzumab (Campath)
- Ibrutinib (Imbruvica)
- Acalabrutinib (Calquence)
- Venetoclax (Venclexta)
- Clinical Trials
- Stem Cell Transplantation

## Ibrutinib is Superior to Ofatumumab in R/R CLL (Phase 3 RESONATE Final Results)





- Median follow-up 65.3 months
- Long-term treatment with ibrutinib is tolerable and continues to show sustained PFS and OS regardless of high-risk cytogenetics

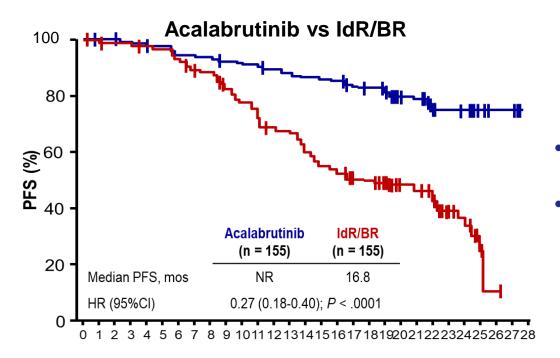
## Acalabrutinib Monotherapy Significantly Improves PFS in R/R CLL (Phase 3 ASCEND)

### Adult patients with R/R CLL N = 310

- ≥ 1 prior systemic therapies (no prior exposure to a BCL-2 inhibitor or BCR-signaling inhibitor)
- ECOG PS 0-2
- Stratified by Del(17p), ECOG PS 0-1 vs 2, 1-3 vs ≥ 4 prior tx



**Primary endpoint**: IRC-assessed PFS

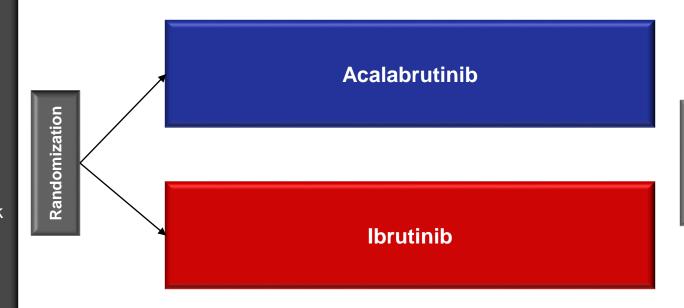


- Median follow-up of 16.1 months
- Estimated 12-month PFS was 88% (95% CI, 81% to 92%) for acalabrutinib vs 68% (95% CI, 59% to 75%) for investigator's choice

## Acalabrutinib vs Ibrutinib in R/R High-risk CLL (Phase 3 ELEVATE-CLL R/R)

### R/R High-risk CLL N=533

- ≥ 1 prior therapies for CLL
- ECOG of 0-2
- Active disease meeting ≥1 of the IWCLL 2008 criteria for requiring treatment
- Must have ≥ 1 of the following high-risk prognostic factors:
  - Presence of 17p del by central laboratory
  - Presence of 11q del by central laboratory
- No prior exposure to ibrutinib or to a BCR inhibitor or a BCL-2 inhibitor



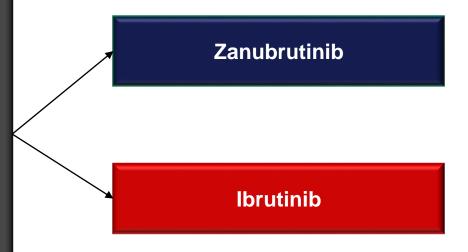
Primary Endpoint

PFS

## Zanubrutinib (BGB-3111) vs Ibrutinib in R/R CLL (Phase III ALPINE)

#### N = 400

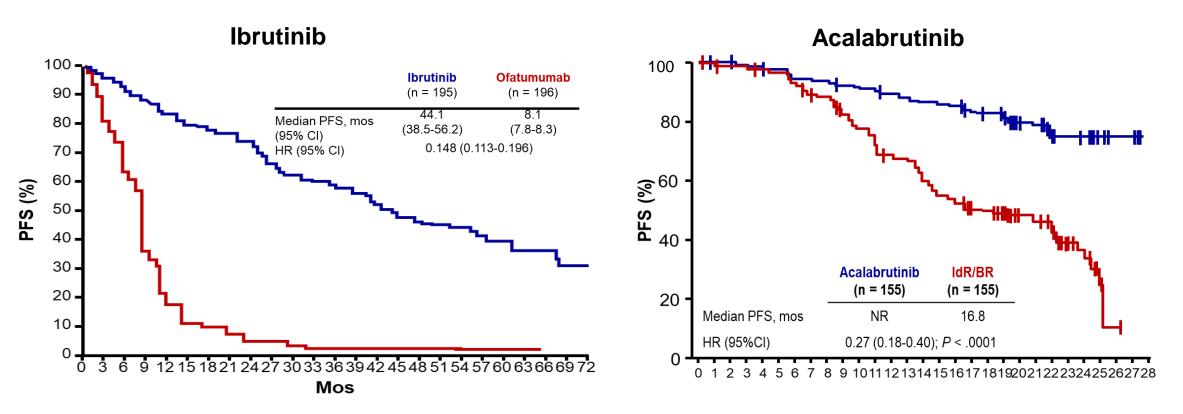
- R/R to ≥ 1 prior therapies for CLL
- Active disease meeting ≥1 of the IWCLL
   2008 criteria for requiring treatment
- No prior BTX tx
- Stratified by age (< 65 vs ≥ 65 years), refractory status (yes vs no), geographic region, and del(17p)/TP53 mutation status (present vs absent)



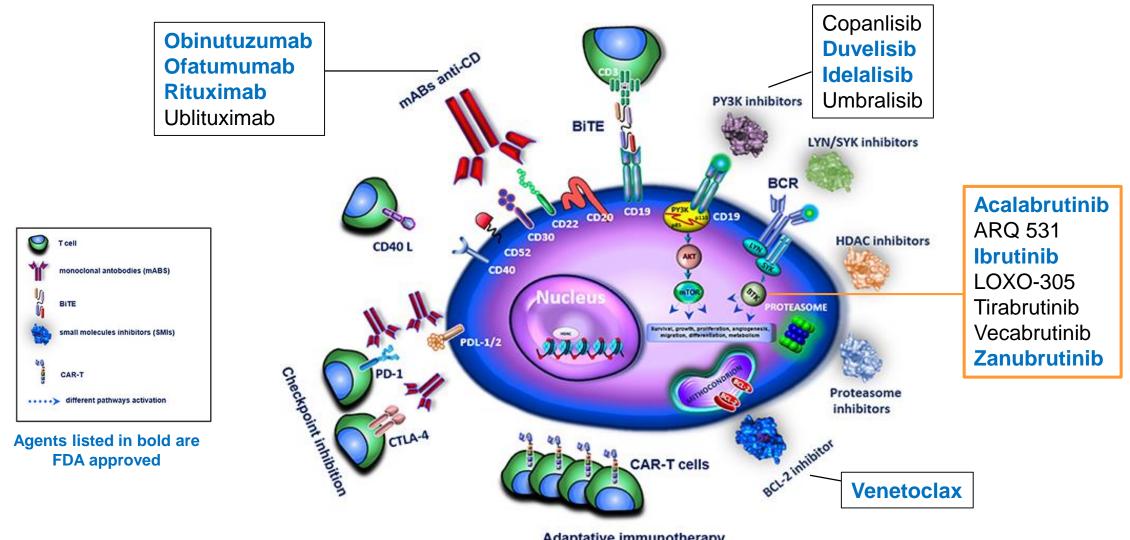
Primary Endpoint
ORR

### Summary of BTK Inhibitors for R/R CLL

 Ibrutinib and Acalabrutinib monotherapies are FDA approved therapies for R/R CLL



### **Targeted Treatment Options for CLL**

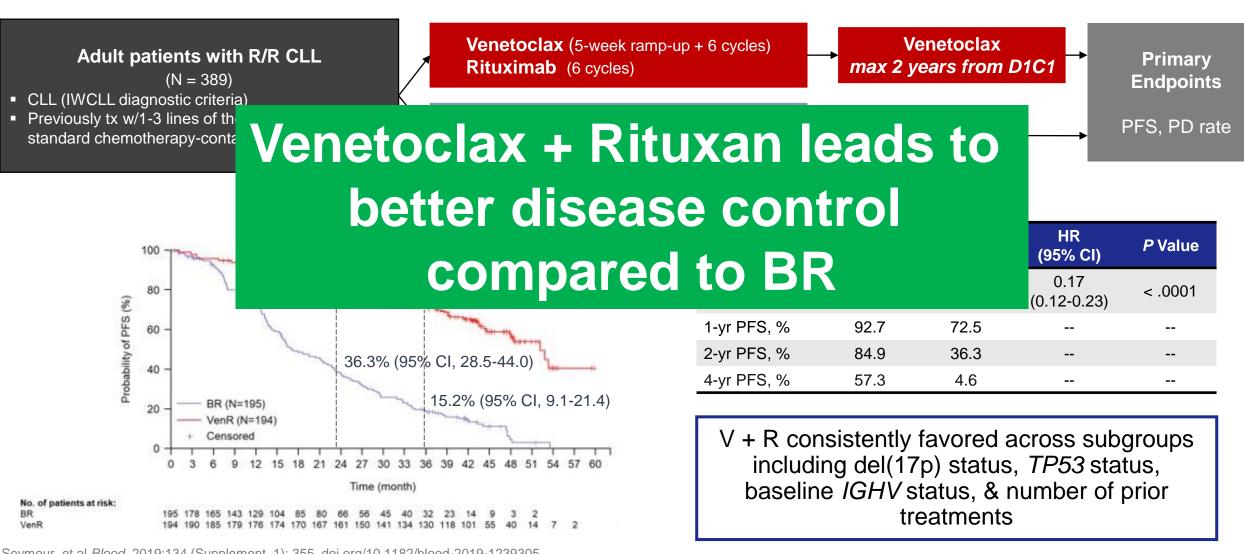


Adaptative immunotherapy

## Venetoclax in CLL: Response

Variable	N	CR, %	ORR, %
All patients	116	20	79
Del(17p)	31	16	71
No del(17p)	60	18	80

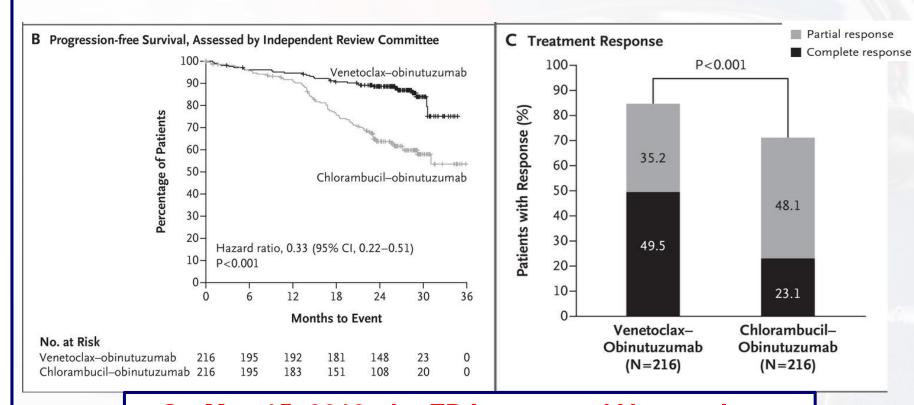
### Venetoclax+Rituximab is an Effective Treatment Option for R/R CLL (Phase 3 MURANO)



Seymour, et al Blood. 2019;134 (Supplement 1): 355. doi.org/10.1182/blood-2019-1239305.

# Venetoclax+Obinutuzumab vs Chlorambucil+Obinutuzumab in Treatment-naïve Patients with CLL and Comorbidities (Phase III CLL14)

- Venetoclax/obinutuzumab produced significantly longer PFS than chlorambucil/obinutuzumab (HR 0.35, P < .001)</li>
  - 2-yr PFS rate: 88% vs 64%
- PFS benefits observed regardless of IGHV or TP53 status
- Venetoclax/obinutuzumab induced rapid and durable MRD negativity
- The safety profile of venetoclax/obinutuzumab was manageable
  - No significant difference in grade 3/4 neutropenia, infections, or all-cause mortality



On May 15, 2019, the FDA approved Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab for adult patients with CLL or SLL

### **Take Home Points: CLL 2020**

- Significant improvements in the management of CLL in the past decade
- Importance of personalized therapy based on patient & disease characteristics
- Non-chemotherapy options for first-line & subsequent therapies
- Encourage participation in Clinical Trials