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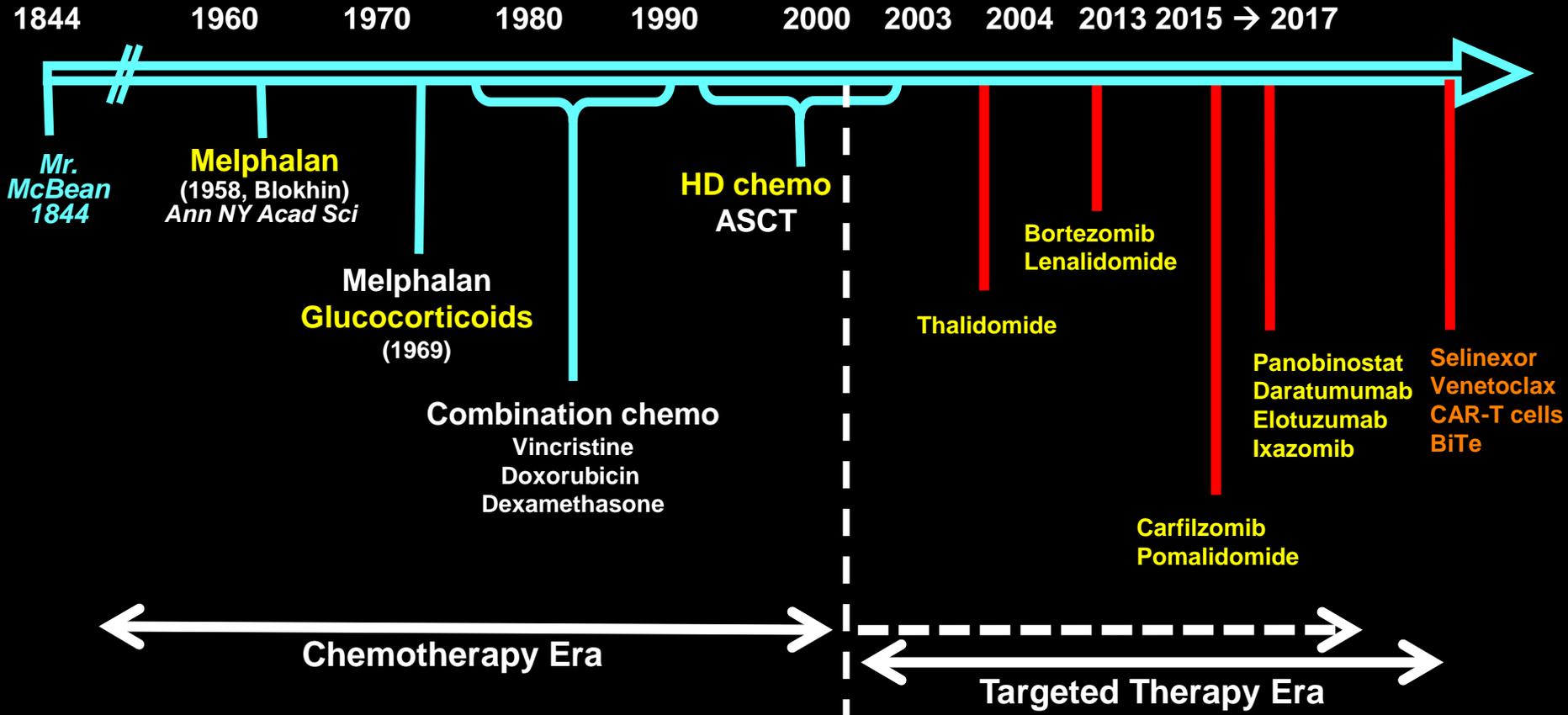
# Avanzando en el tratamiento del Mieloma Múltiple

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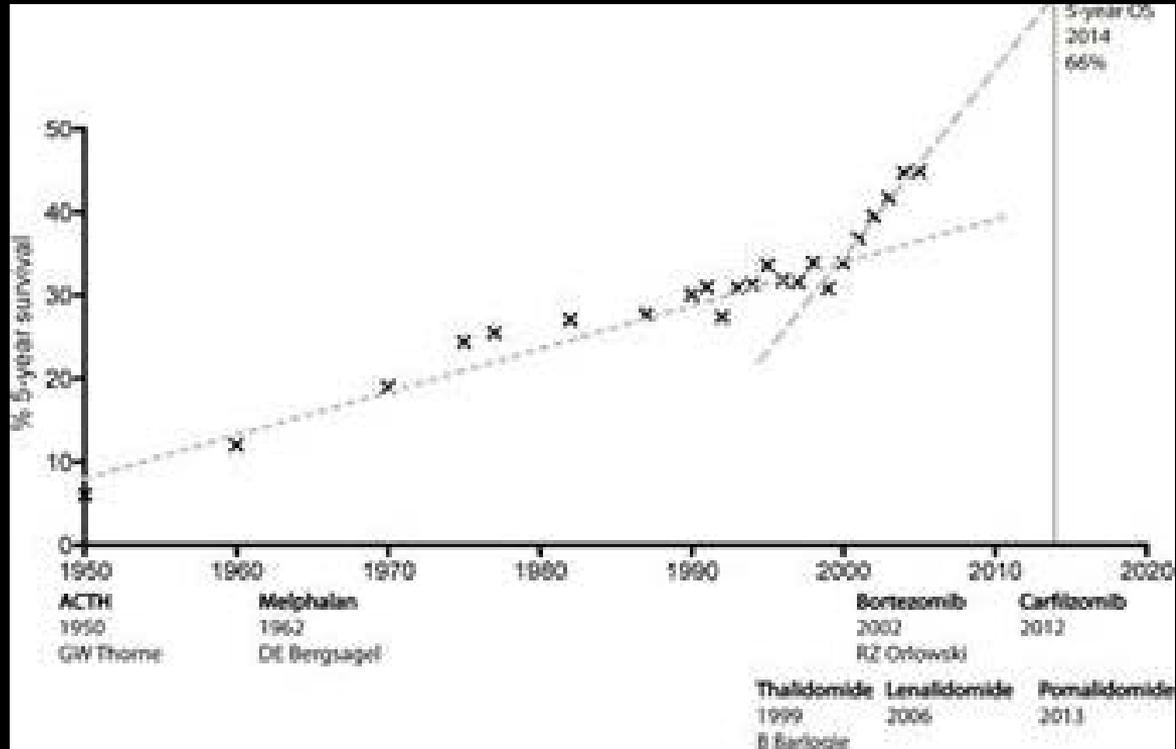
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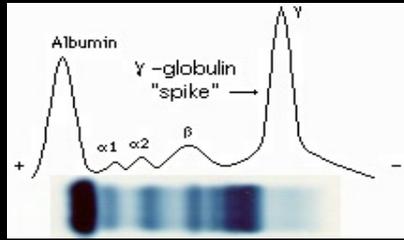
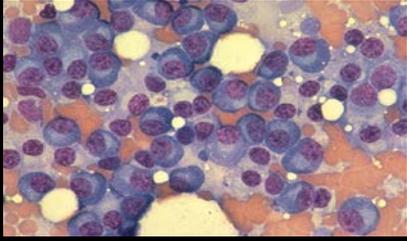
# Treatment of MM



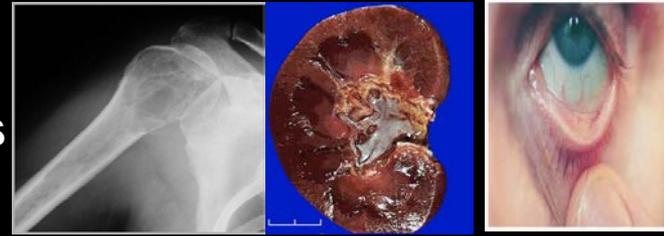
# Significant improvement on OS



# Introduction



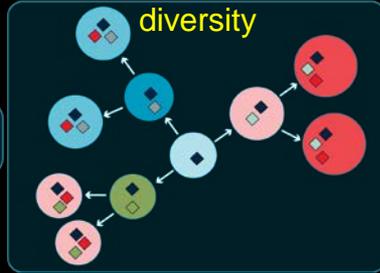
**Myeloma-defining events**



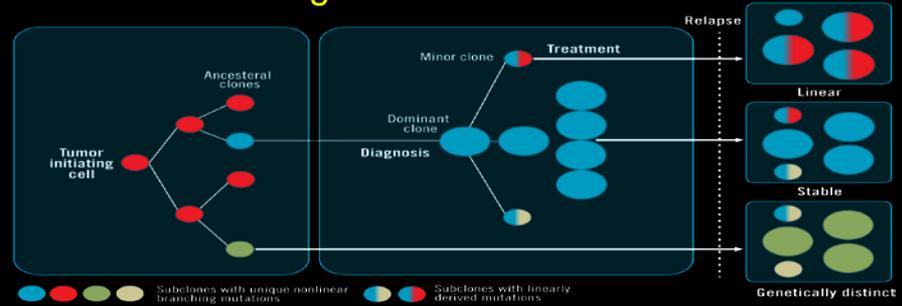
Malignant PCs may not evolve in a linear manner



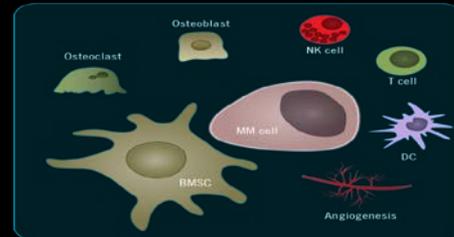
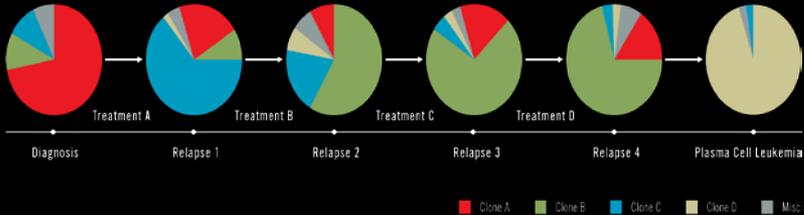
Branching model, resulting in substantial clonal diversity



Subclonal heterogeneity is also present at all different stages of the disease



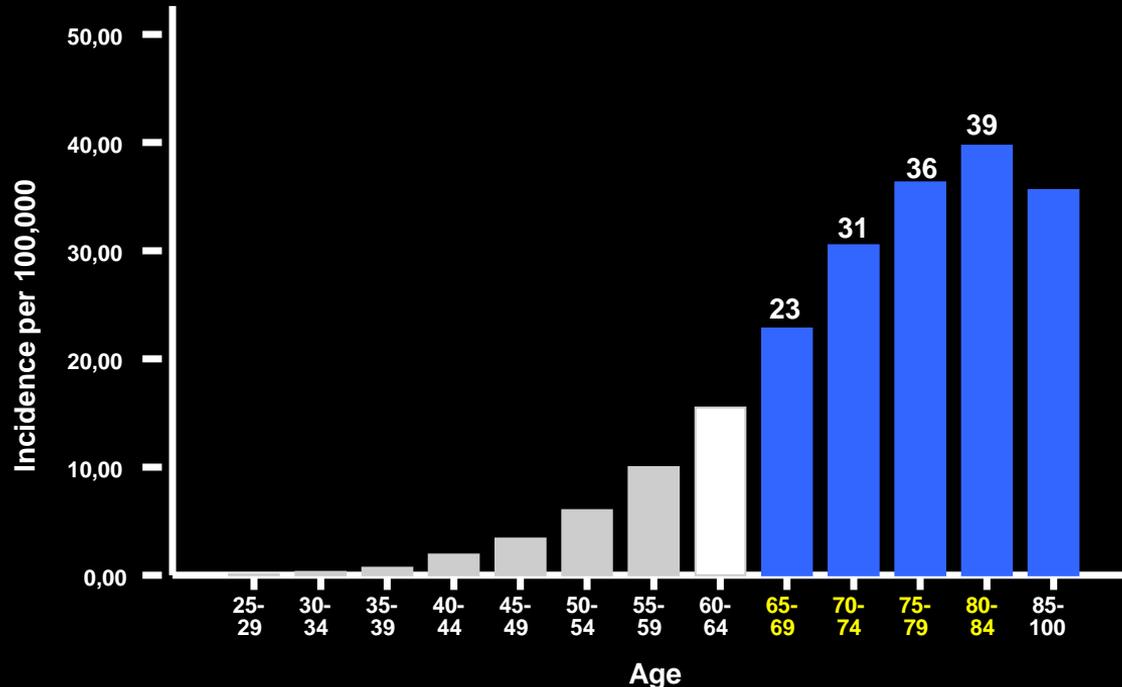
Treatment may control an indolent or sensitive clone, allowing a more aggressive clone to expand



In addition, cellular and noncellular components are important for MM pathogenesis

# Introduction

- Multiple Myeloma is the second most frequent haematological neoplastic disease
- It usually affects the elderly population: median age at diagnosis 69 years



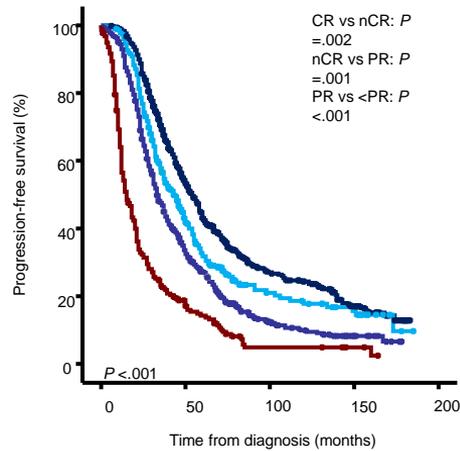
# What are the optimal treatment goals for MM patients?

- To achieve cure or at least long-term survival (>10–20 years) with good quality of life.
  - Prolong survival
  - Delay disease progression
  - Ensure good quality of life
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**To achieve these goals..... eradication or at least major reduction of the tumor clone is required**

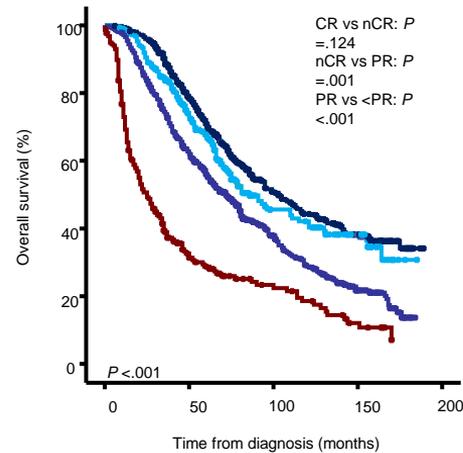
# Pooled analysis of three GEM clinical trials

CR is a typical endpoint and one of the most powerful prognostic markers in MM



■ CR (n=578) median PFS: 54 months  
■ nCR (n=273) median PFS: 43 months  
■ PR (n=553) median PFS: 33 months  
■ <PR (n=217) median PFS: 25 months

GEM2000, GEM2005MENOS65, GEM2005MAS65, GEM2010MAS65

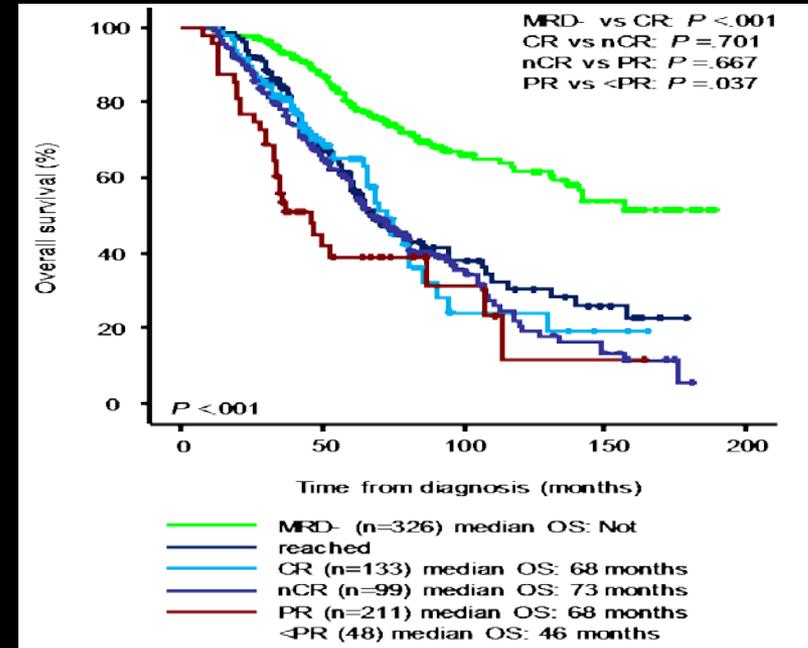
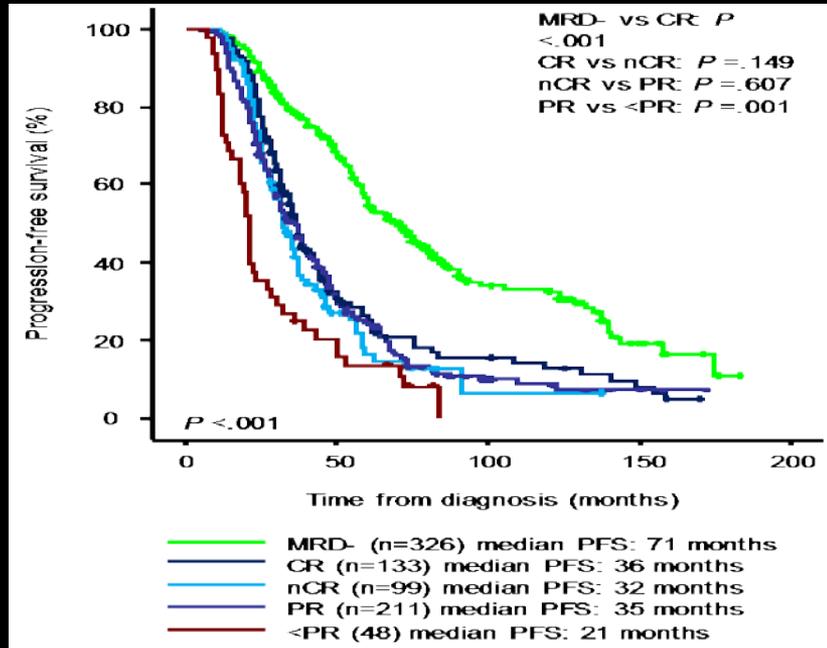


■ CR (n=578) median OS: 103 months  
■ nCR (n=273) median OS: 86 months  
■ PR (n=553) median OS: 72 months  
■ <PR (n=217) median OS: 25 months

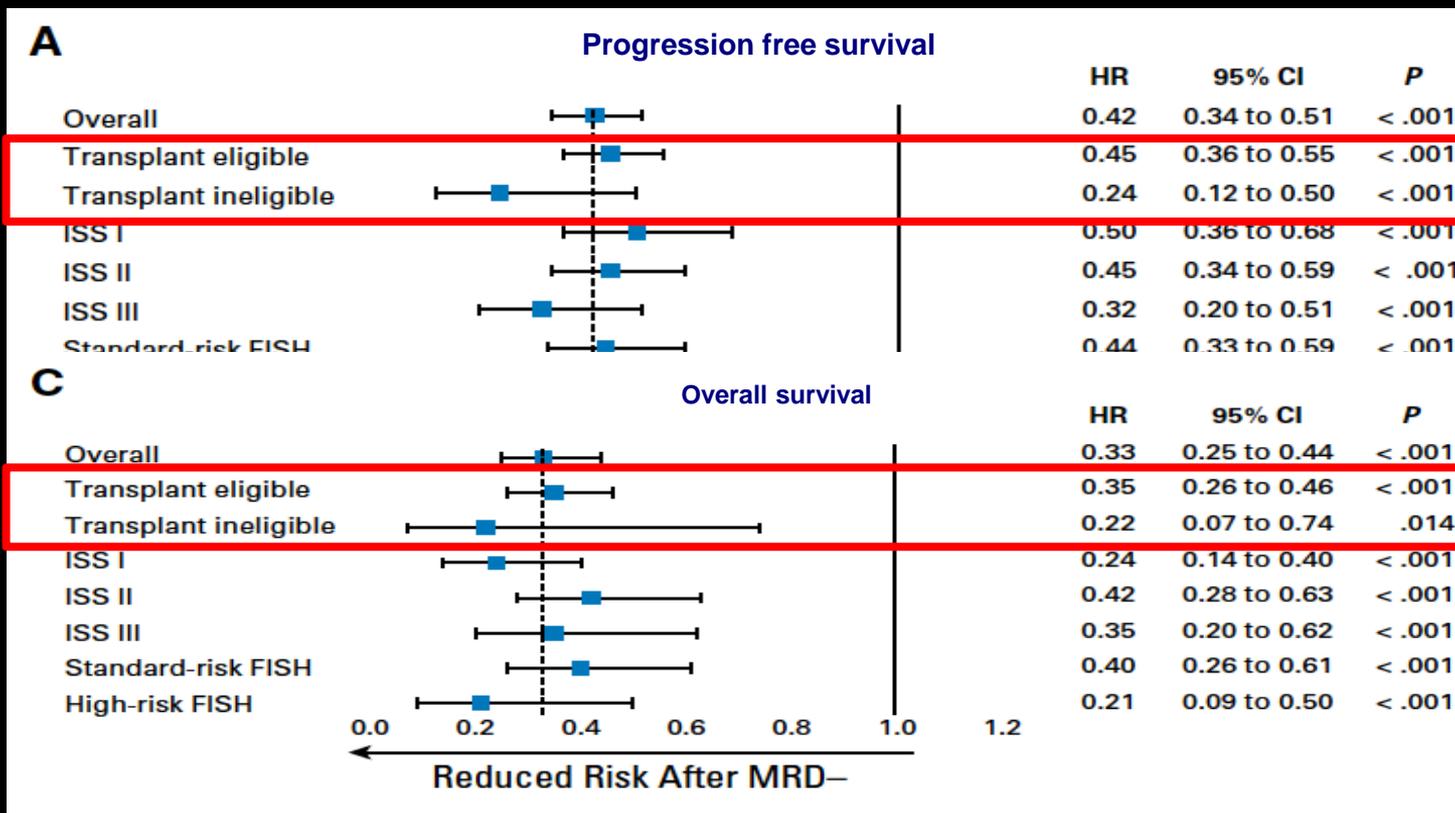
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The true value of CR relies in the MRD status, and CR without MRD is no better than PR

MRD evaluated by flow-cytometry



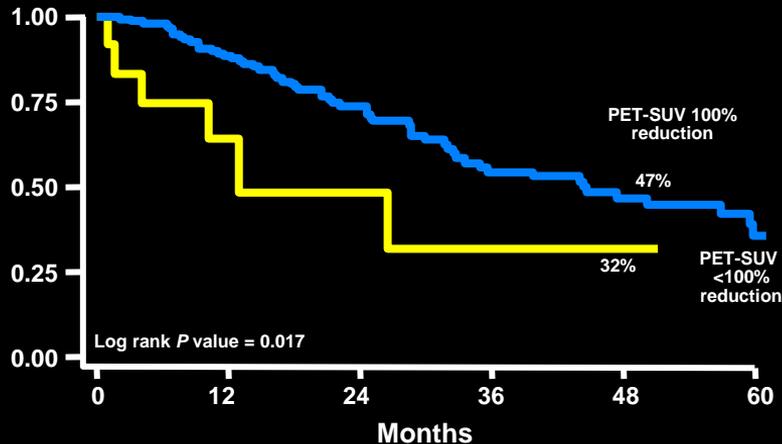
# MRD as predictor across MM patients subgroups



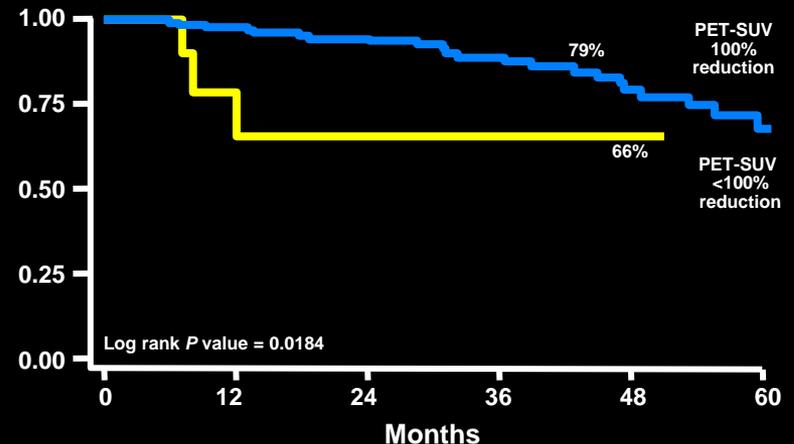
# Impact of PET-CT Negativity on Clinical Outcomes

PET-CT is a reliable technique for predicting long-term outcomes.

PFS according to PET-SUV post-ASCT PET-CT



OS according to PET-SUV post ASCT PET-CT

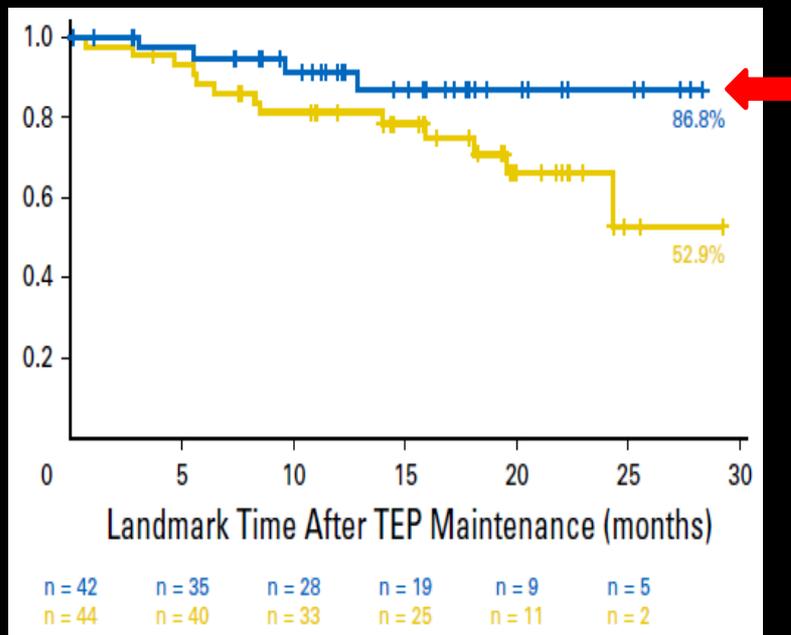


PET-CT, positron emission tomography-computed tomography; SUV, standardized uptake value

# Impact of MRD –ve inside and outside of the bone marrow

PFS for patients with negative PET-CT and negative MRD by flow

VRD as induction followed by HDT-ASCT/VRD consolidation and len maintenance



# New response criteria: IMWG 2016

Standard IMWG Response criteria <sup>6</sup>	<i>sCR (stringent complete response)</i>	CR as defined below PLUS Normal FLC ratio <sup>10</sup> AND Absence of clonal cells in bone marrow biopsies by immunohistochemistry ( $\kappa/\lambda$ ratio $\leq 4:1$ or $\geq 1:2$ for $\kappa$ and $\lambda$ patients, respectively, after counting $\geq 100$ PCs) <sup>7</sup>
	<i>CR (complete response)</i>	Negative immunofixation on the serum AND urine AND <sup>11</sup> Disappearance of any soft tissue plasmacytomas AND <5% plasma cells in bone marrow aspirates (If cellular MRD is to be performed, the first BM aspirate should be sent to MRD and morphological evaluation is not mandatory)
Response subcategory		Response criteria <sup>1</sup>
IMWG MRD negativity criteria (Requires CR as defined below)	<i>Sustained MRD negative</i>	MRD negative in the marrow (Next-generation flow or Next-generation sequencing) and by imaging as defined below, confirmed one year apart. <sup>2</sup> Subsequent evaluations can be used to further specify the duration of negativity (e.g., MRD negative @ 5 years etc)
	<i>Flow MRD-negative</i>	Absence of phenotypically aberrant clonal plasma cells by next-generation flow cytometry <sup>4</sup> on bone marrow aspirates using the EuroFlow standard operation procedure for MRD detection in MM (or validated equivalent method) with a minimum sensitivity of 1 in $10^5$ nucleated cells or higher
	<i>Sequencing MRD negative</i>	Absence of clonal plasma cells by next generation sequencing on bone marrow aspirates in which presence of a clone is defined as less than 2 identical sequencing reads obtained after DNA sequencing of bone marrow aspirates using the Lymphosight® platform (or validated equivalent method) with a minimum sensitivity of 1 in $10^5$ nucleated cells <sup>5</sup> or higher
	<i>Imaging+ MRD-negative</i>	MRD negative as defined by Next-generation flow or Next-generation sequencing PLUS Disappearance of every area of increased tracer uptake found at baseline or a preceding PET/CT <sup>3</sup>

**These response criteria apply to all MM patients**

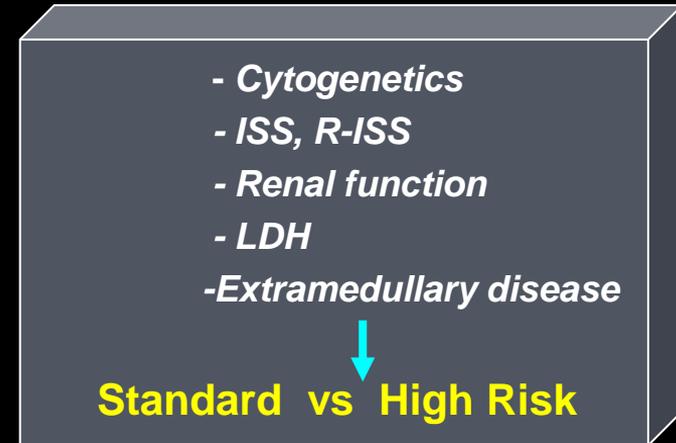
# Individualizing Treatment in the Era of Novel Agents

## Stratification

- Biological Age, Performance status, Comorbidities
- Myeloma Comorbidity Index



## Risk Factors



# Management of MM in the transplant candidate ND patient

**Induction**

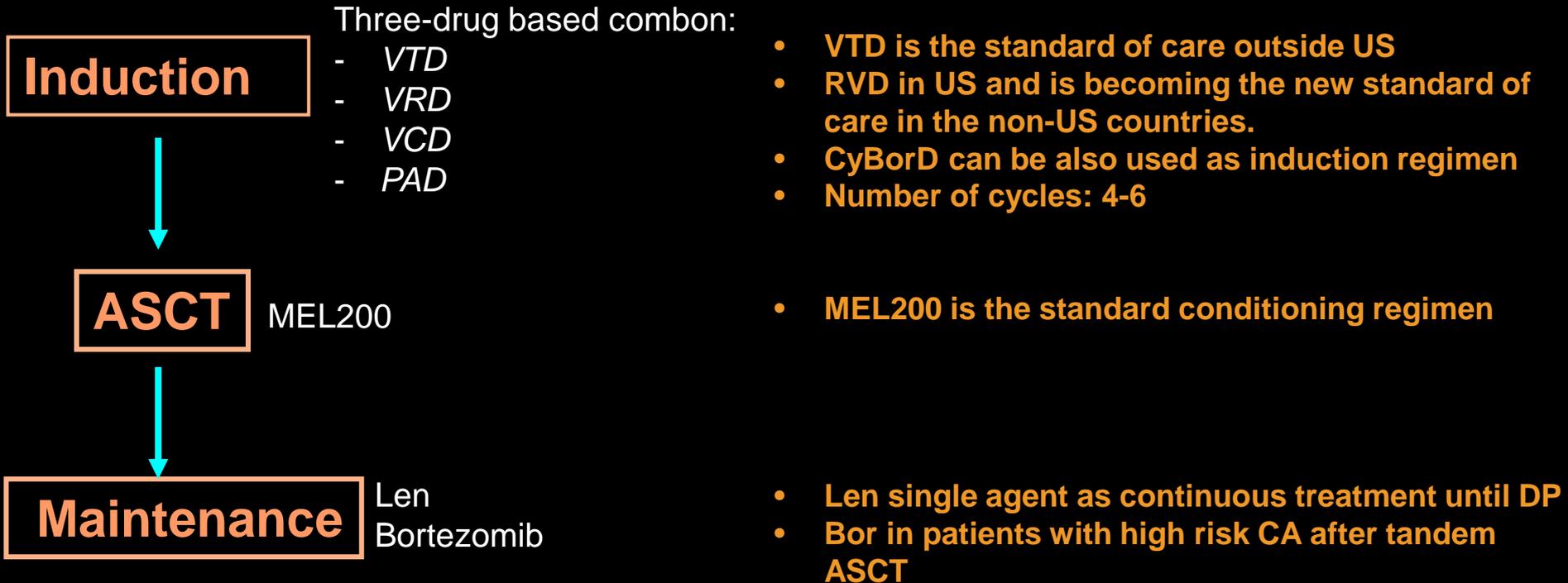


**ASCT**



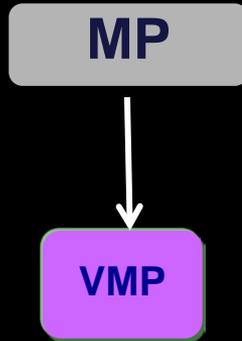
**Maintenance**

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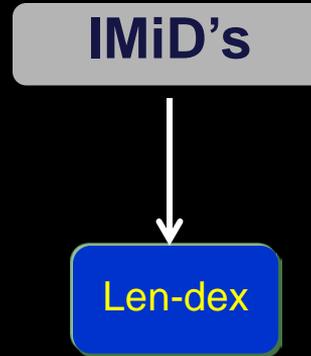
# Standards of care for elderly MM patients

## Alkylators-based regimens



One randomized trial:  
Benefit in *PFS...8m*  
*OS...13m*

## Alkylators-free regimens

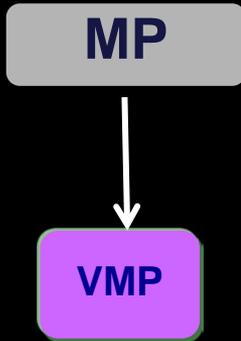


One randomized trial:  
Benefit in *PFS&OS* vs *MPT*

## Is it possible to combine Bortezomib and Len in elderly?

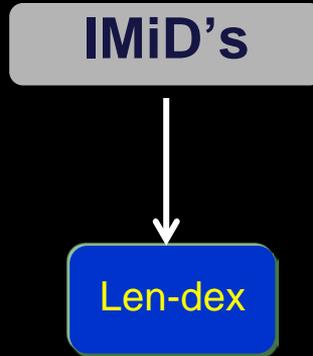
# Management of MM in the non-transplant candidate ND patient

## Alkylators-based regimens



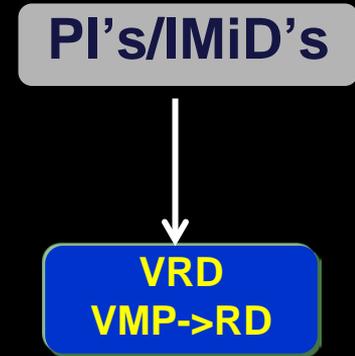
*One randomized trial:*  
*PFS: 21 months*  
*OS: 56 months*

## Alkylators-free regimens



*One randomized trial:*  
*PFS: 26 months*  
*OS: 59 months*

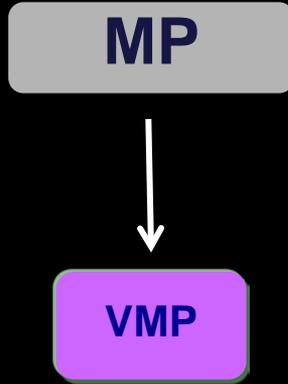
## Other combos



*PFS: 40 m/32m*  
*OS: 74 m/60 m*

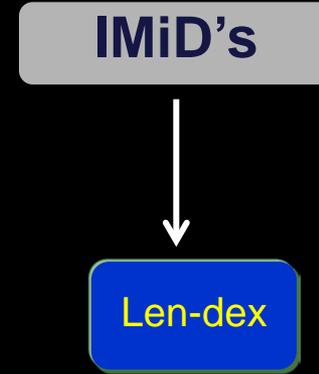
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## Alkylators-based regimens



**VMP-Dara**

## Alkylators-free regimens

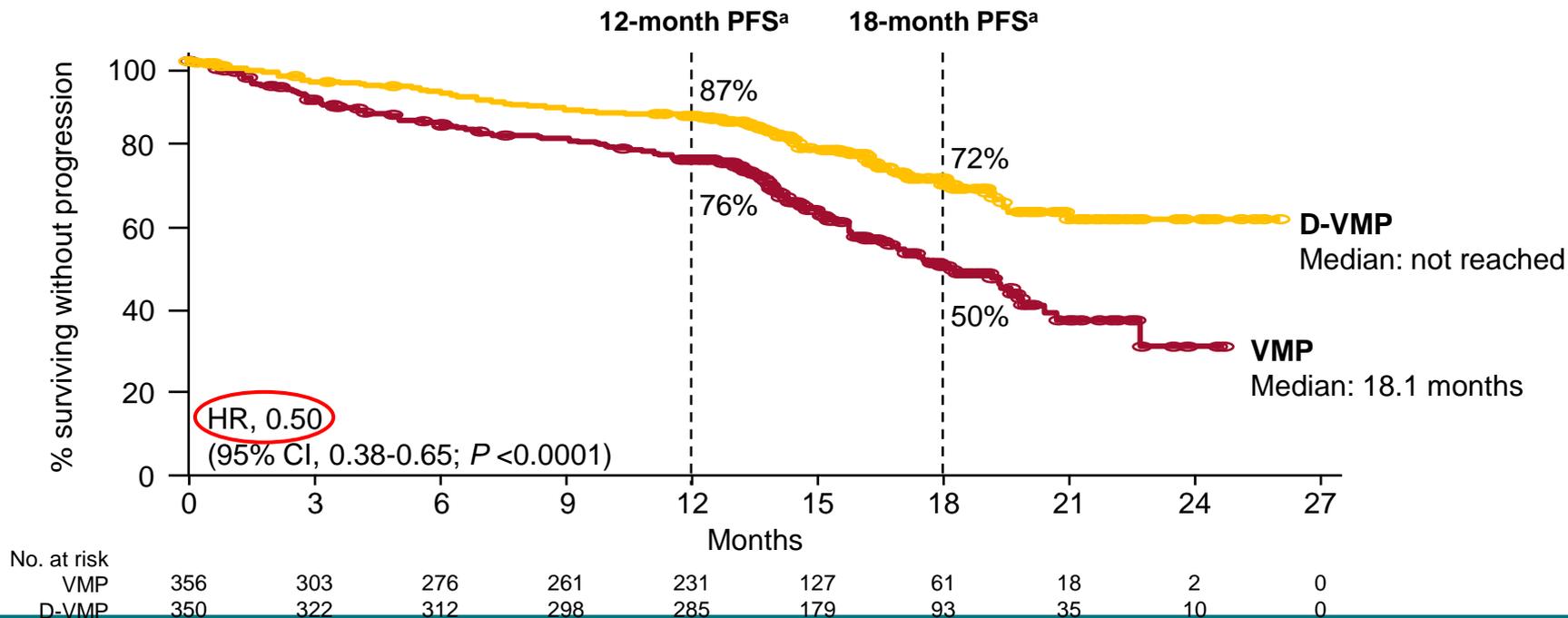


### New potential standards

- Len-dex + Elotuzumab
- Len-dex + Ixazomib
- **Len-dex + Daratumumab**
- Len-dex + Carfilzomib
- Len-dex + Carfilzomib + Dara
- Len-dex + Bortezomib

# Efficacy: PFS

- Median (range) follow-up: 16.5 (0.1-28.1) months



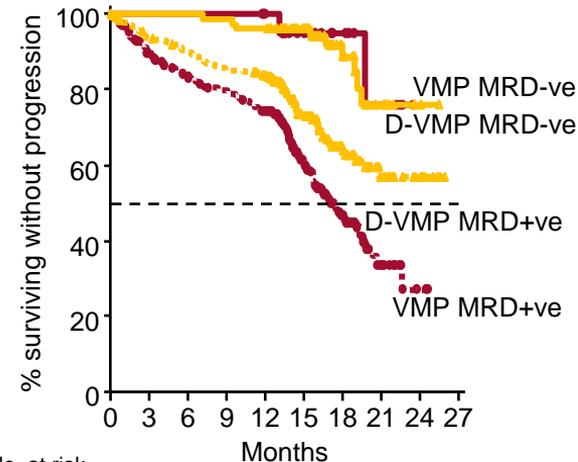
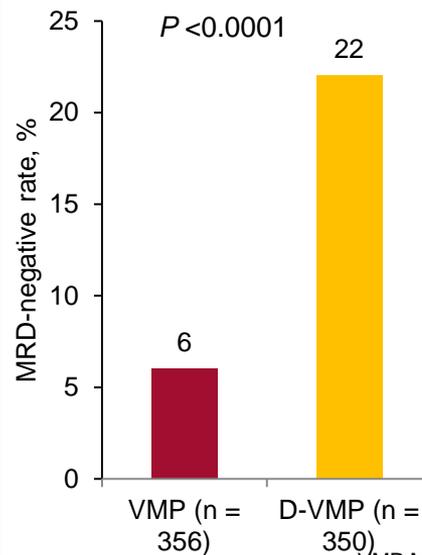
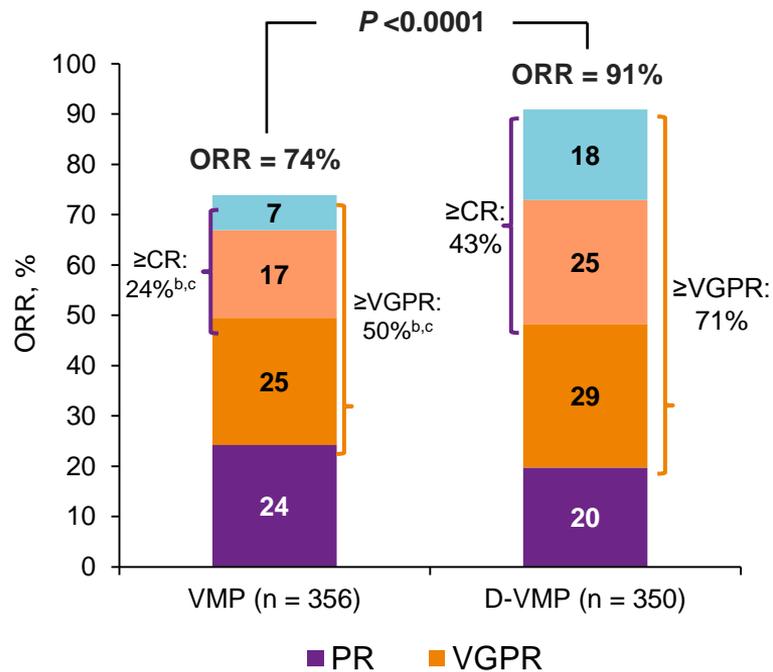
**50% reduction in the risk of progression or death in patients receiving D-VMP**  
**PFS benefit sustained in all subgroups of patients**

PFS, progression-free survival; VMP, bortezomib/melphalan/prednisone;

D, daratumumab; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

<sup>a</sup>Kaplan-Meier estimate.

# Efficacy: ORR<sup>a</sup> and MRD evaluation



No. at risk

VMP MRD negative	22	22	22	22	21	14	8	4	0	0
D-VMP MRD negative	78	78	78	77	75	58	31	14	2	0
VMP MRD positive	334	281	254	239	210	113	53	14	2	0
D-VMP MRD positive	272	244	234	221	210	121	62	21	8	0

**Significantly higher ORR, ≥VGPR rate, and ≥CR rate with D-VMP;  
>3-fold higher MRD-negativity rate with D-VMP;  
Lower risk of progression or death in all MRD-negative patients**

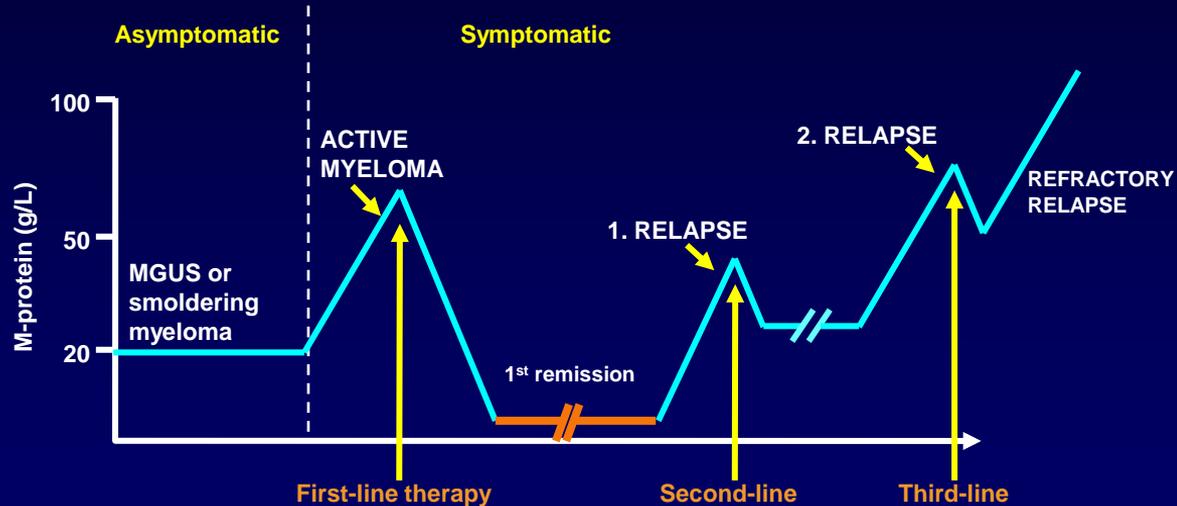
ORR, overall response rate; VMP, bortezomib/melphalan/prednisone; D, daratumumab; CR, complete response; VGPR, very good partial response; PR, partial response; sCR, stringent complete response.

<sup>a</sup>Intent-to-treat population. <sup>b</sup>P value was calculated with the use of the Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel chi-square test.

<sup>c</sup>P < 0.0001. <sup>d</sup>Responders in response-evaluable population.

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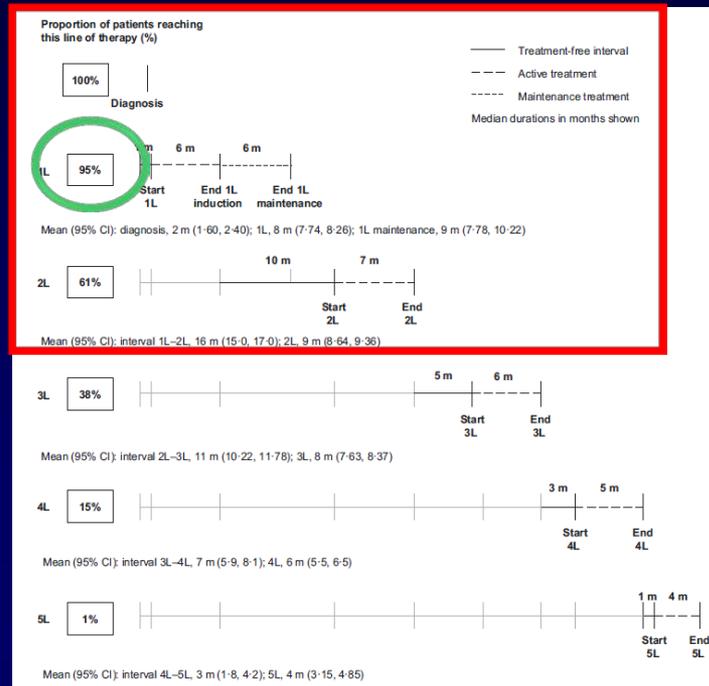
# Natural History of MM



- The second line of treatment will arrive later than in the past
- How many patients will arrive to the second line?

# Real-world duration of therapy: Limited feasibility of continuous treatment

- Retrospective chart review of ~5000 patients in Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, and UK
- Real-world data show:
  - Median 6 months duration of first-line therapy
  - Followed by median 10 months treatment-free interval
  - General decrease in duration of subsequent lines of therapy and duration of treatment-free intervals



# Strategies at Relapse : How to Make the Right Choice

Type of relapse

Efficacy of  
previous  
treatments



Toxicity of  
previous  
treatments

Further options

# Strategies at Relapse: How to Make the Right Choice

- **Early relapse (<1 year post induction/ASCT)-----5-10%**  
*“Overcome drug resistance”*  
Combination of non-cross-resistant agents  
VTD-PACE or KRD/DaraRd → RIC-Allo
- **Intermediate relapse (1-3 years post ASCT)-----80%**  
*“Prolong survival until curative treatments are developed”*
- **Late relapse (>2-3 years post first line) -----10%**  
Reinduction + 2nd ASCT/Retreatment with the same backbone

# Options of therapy for RRMM patients

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combination



**ASCT** (melphalan 200)



**Nothing/Consolidation/Maintenance (Len)**

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combo

Lenalidomide-dex

1st relapse

**Rd**

Continuous therapy as backbone

**Carfilzomib plus**

**Rd**

PFS: 26.3m, HR: 0.69

**Elotuzumab plus Rd**

PFS: 19m, HR: 0.73

**Daratumumab plus**

**Rd**

PFS: NR, HR: 0.37

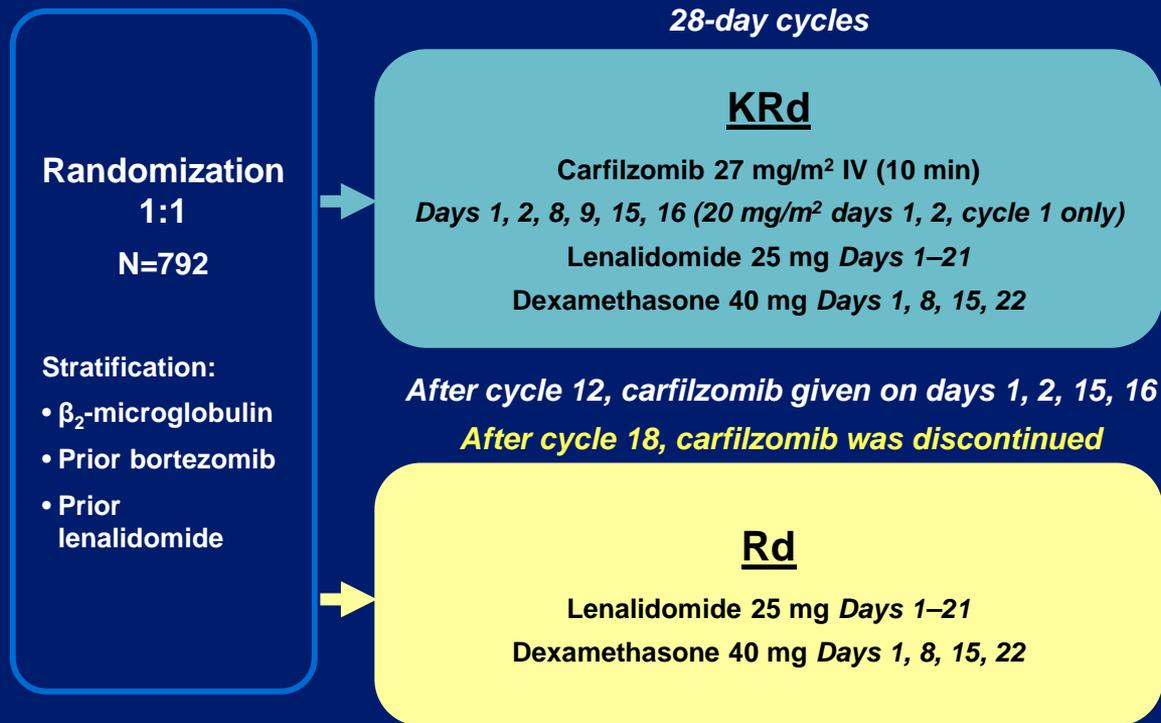
**Ixazomib plus Rd**

PFS: 20.6m, HR:

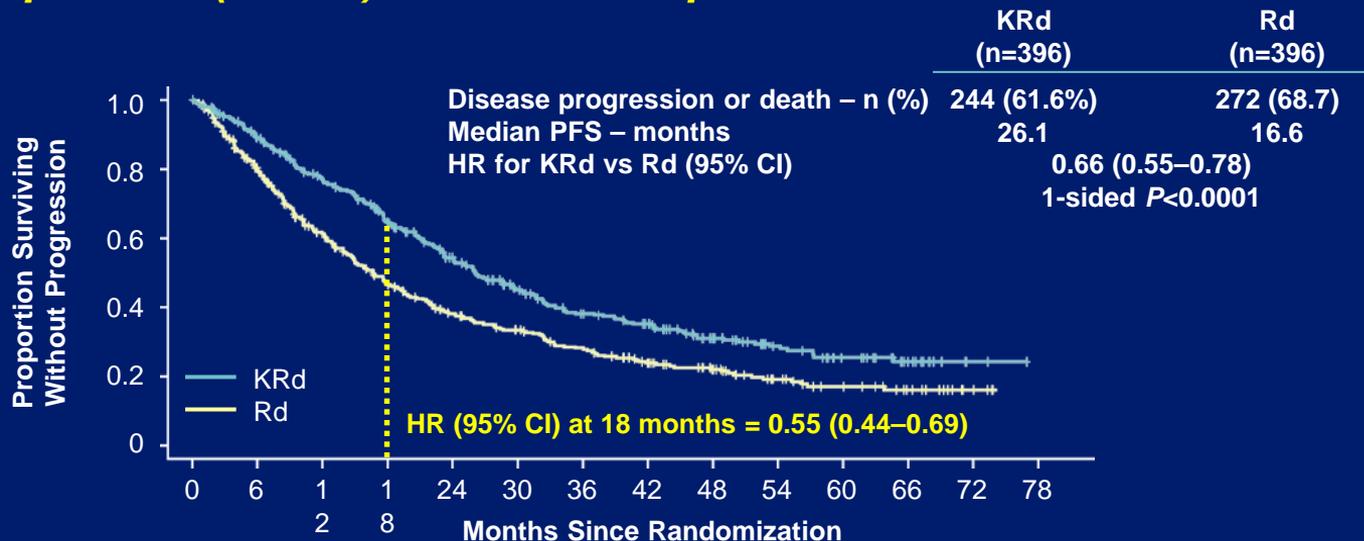
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# ASPIRE: Study Design



# Updated Investigator-Assessed Progression-Free Survival ITT Population (N=792): 9.5-month Improvement

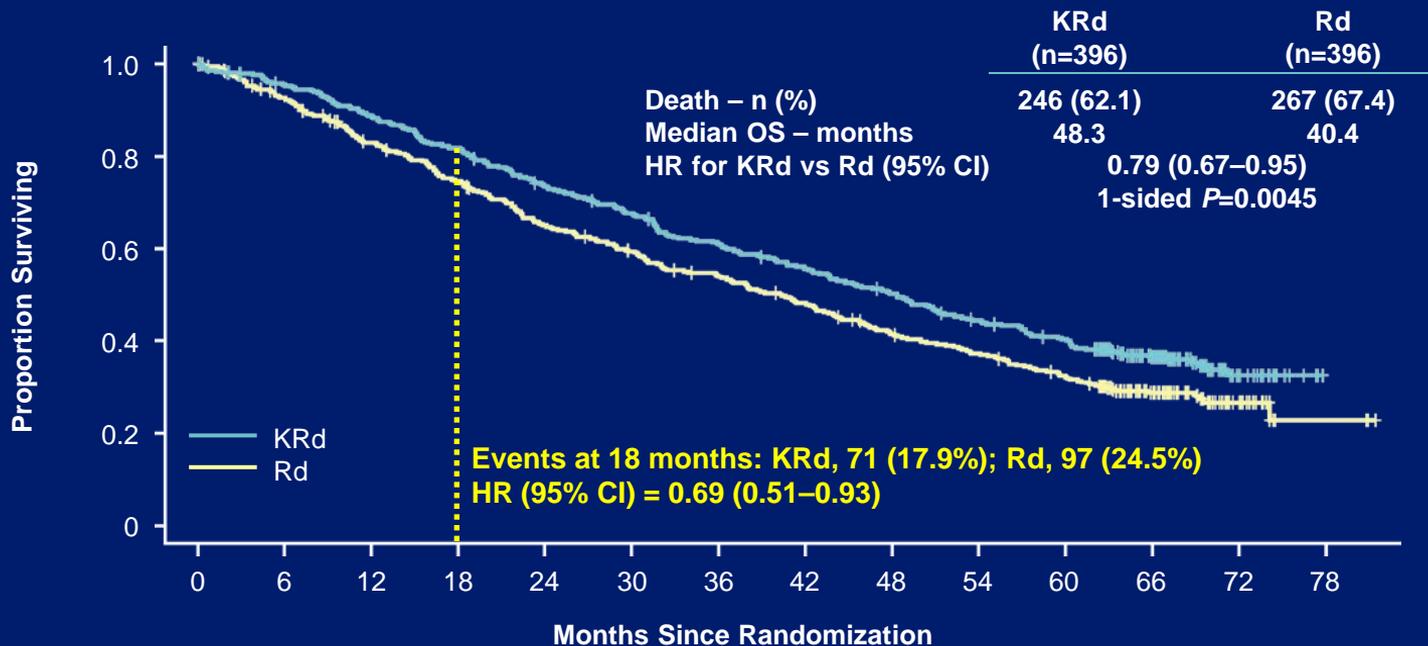


Number of patients at risk:

	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78
KRd	396	337	282	227	178	136	109	94	65	45	32	17	2	0
Rd	396	291	211	154	118	99	81	61	45	30	21	13	4	0

- Data cutoff date: April 28, 2017; Median follow-up: 48.8 (KRd) and 48.0 (Rd) months
- Carfilzomib discontinued after 18 cycles

# Overall Survival: 7.9-month Median Improvement



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	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78
KRd	396	369	343	316	282	259	232	211	190	166	149	88	22	0
Rd	396	356	313	281	243	220	199	176	149	133	113	69	20	3

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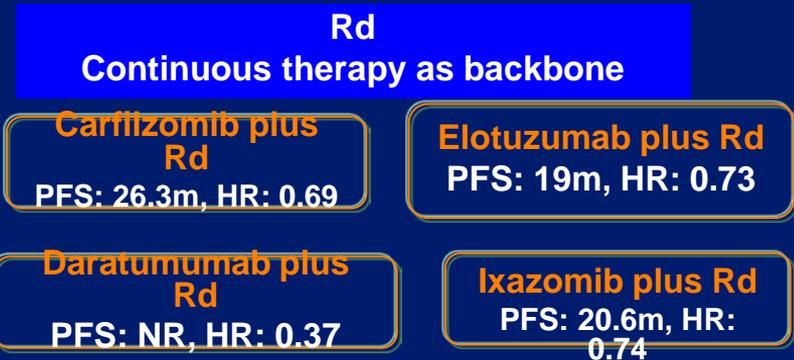


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# TOURMALINE-MM1: Phase 3 study of weekly oral ixazomib plus lenalidomide-dexamethasone

Global, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled study design



## Primary endpoint:

- PFS

## Key secondary endpoints:

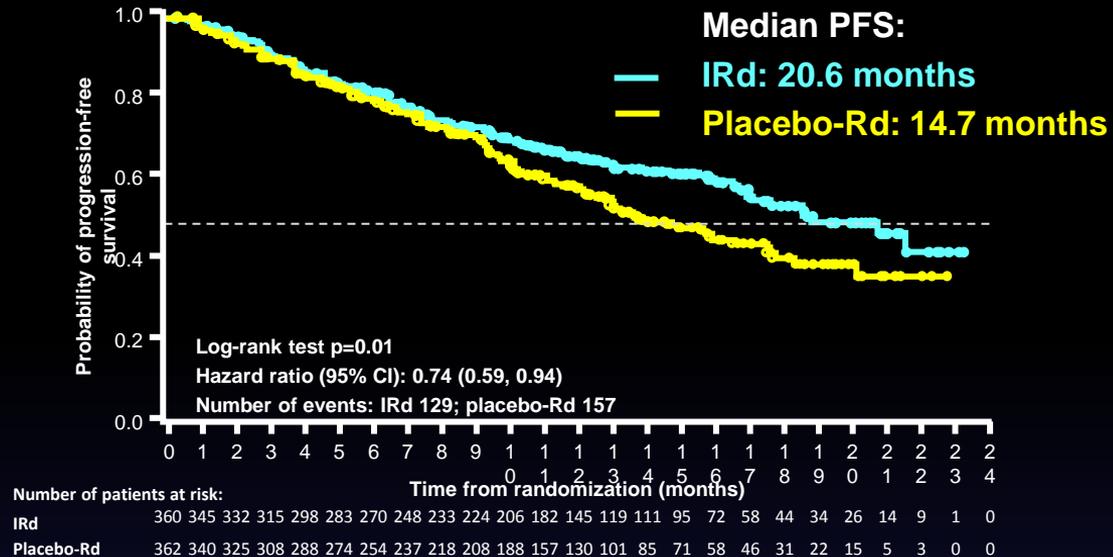
- OS
- OS in patients with del(17p)

## Exploratory study objective

- Evaluate potential relationships between treatment outcomes and tumor gene expression patterns by RNA-seq

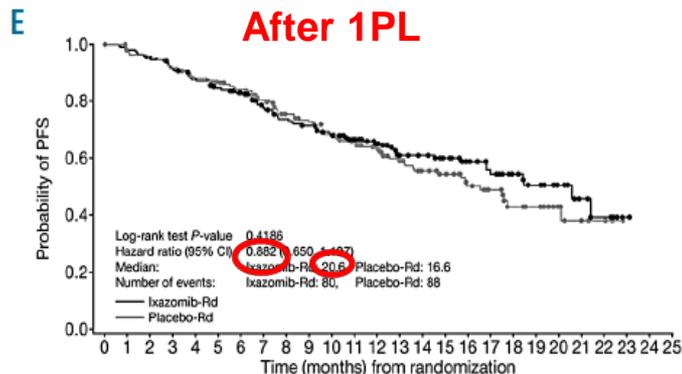
\*10 mg for patients with a creatinine clearance of  $\leq 60$  or  $\leq 50$  ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, with the cutoff point determined according to the local prescribing information

# Final PFS analysis: A significant, 35% improvement in PFS with IRd vs placebo-Rd

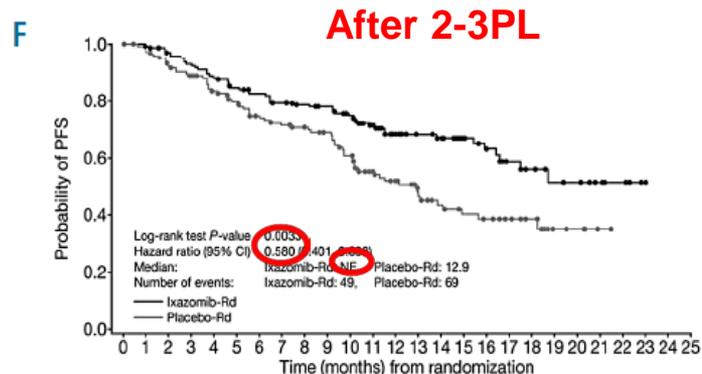


- Median follow-up: 14.8 months in the IRd group and 14.6 months in the placebo-Rd group

# TOURMALINE-MM1: PFS according to the number of prior lines of therapy



Number of patients at risk  
 Ixazomib-Rd 212 202 195 184 174 166 158 141 130 125 115 103 86 68 64 57 42 37 29 23 16 8 5 1 0  
 Placebo-Rd 213 202 197 188 179 173 162 150 137 131 121 104 87 67 57 47 36 30 19 17 11 4 3 0 0



Number of patients at risk  
 Ixazomib-Rd 148 143 137 131 124 117 112 107 103 99 91 79 69 51 47 38 30 21 15 11 10 6 4 0 0  
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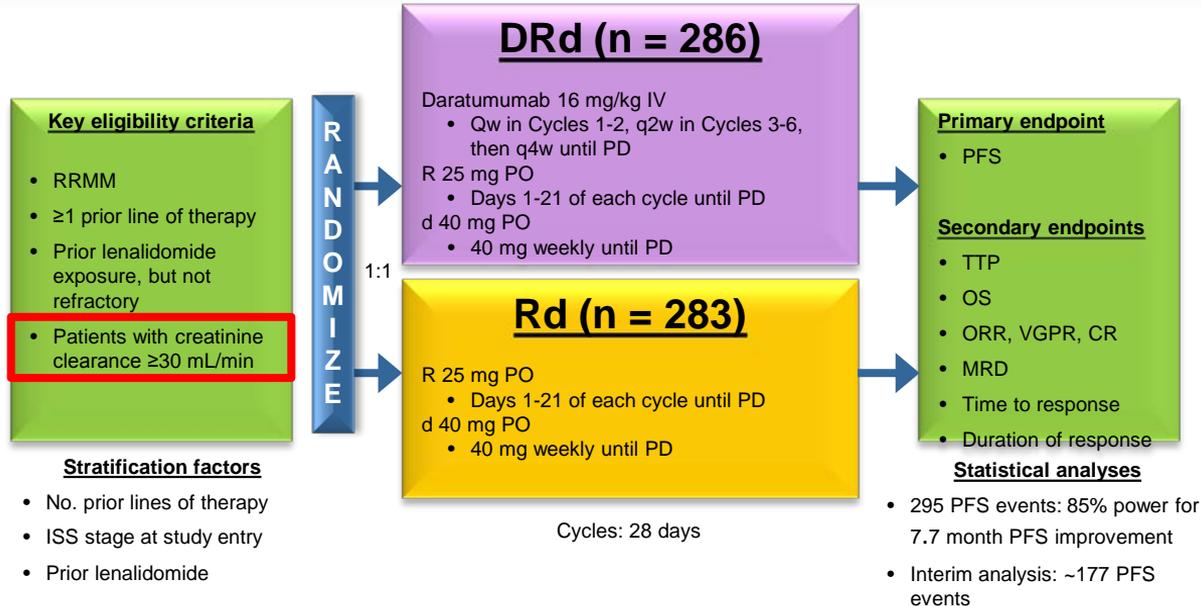
Variable	Median PFS, months (events/n)		HR	95% CI
	Ixazomib-Rd	Placebo-Rd		
<b>1 prior therapy</b>	20.6 (80/212)	16.6 (88/213)	0.882	(0.650, 1.197)
High risk	18.5 (18/45)	9.7 (19/34)	0.642	(0.325, 1.271)
Standard risk	20.6 (37/111)	17.5 (48/124)	0.807	(0.521, 1.251)
Immunomodulatory drug-naïve	18.5 (47/119)	13.6 (48/111)	0.807	(0.533, 1.221)
Immunomodulatory drug-exposed	NE (33/93)	20.1 (40/102)	0.902	(0.562, 1.446)
PI-naïve	NE (25/75)	17.5 (30/74)	0.823	(0.483, 1.401)
PI-exposed	18.4 (55/137)	15.9 (58/139)	0.912	(0.628, 1.325)
Transplant	20.6 (50/126)	20.1 (38/118)	1.232	(0.805, 1.885)
No transplant	18.4 (30/86)	12.3 (35/95)	0.604	(0.380, 0.959)
No transplant but prior melphalan treatment	NE (11/44)	13.2 (25/47)	0.509	(0.245, 1.058)

Variable	Median PFS, months (events/n)		HR	95% CI
	Ixazomib-Rd	Placebo-Rd		
<b>2-3 prior therapies</b>	NE (49/148)	12.9 (68/149)	0.580	(0.401, 0.838)
High risk	NE (8/30)	11.1 (16/28)	0.421	(0.180, 0.987)
Standard risk	NE (26/88)	11.5 (43/92)	0.486	(0.298, 0.793)
Immunomodulatory drug-naïve	NE (13/48)	11.1 (23/47)	0.473	(0.235, 0.951)
Immunomodulatory drug-exposed	18.7 (36/100)	13.0 (46/102)	0.627	(0.399, 0.984)
PI-naïve	NE (11/35)	14.9 (13/35)	0.601	(0.285, 1.359)
PI-exposed	18.7 (38/113)	11.1 (58/114)	0.575	(0.380, 0.869)
Transplant	18.7 (30/86)	13.0 (36/81)	0.730	(0.444, 1.20)
No transplant	NE (19/62)	10.2 (33/68)	0.454	(0.252, 0.81)
No transplant but prior melphalan treatment	NE (13/46)	10.2 (24/52)	0.441	(0.219, 0.88)

Pts with 2 or 3 PL or 1PL without trx seemed to have greater benefit than pts after 1PL and trx

# POLLUX: Study Design

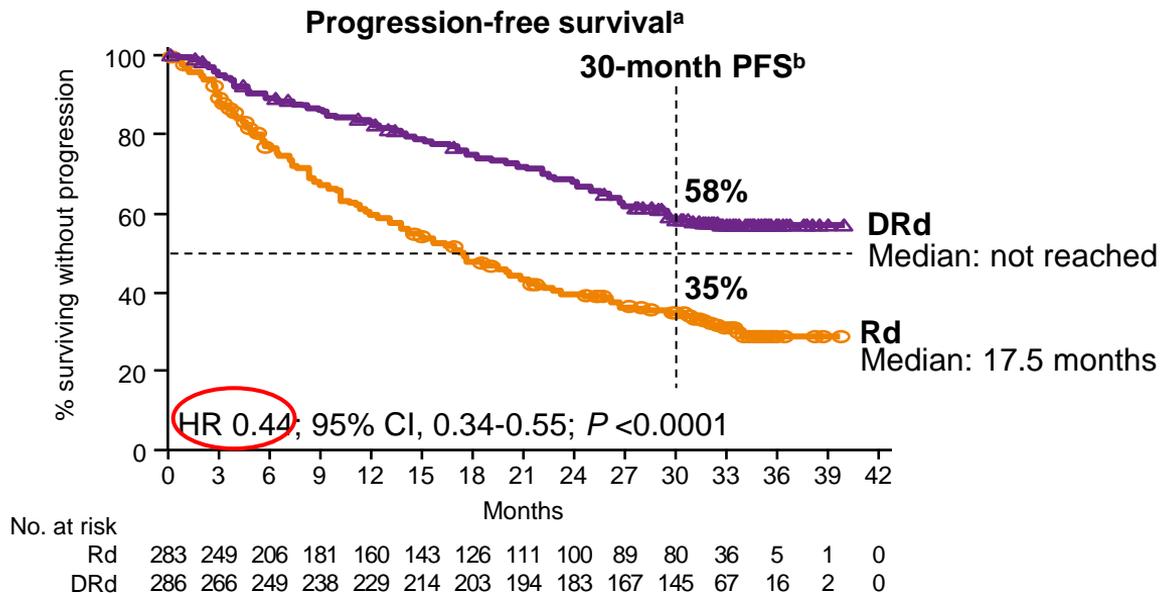
Multicenter, randomized (1:1), open-label, active-controlled phase 3 study



Pre-medication for the DRd treatment group consisted of dexamethasone 20 mg<sup>a</sup>, paracetamol, and an antihistamine

<sup>a</sup>On daratumumab dosing days, dexamethasone was administered 20 mg premed on Day 1 and 20 mg on Day 2; RRMM, relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma; ISS, international staging system; R, lenalidomide; DRd, daratumumab/lenalidomide/dexamethasone; IV, intravenous; qw, once weekly; q2w, every 2 weeks; q4w, every 4 weeks; PD, progressive disease; PO, oral; d, dexamethasone; Rd, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; TTP, time to progression; MRD, minimal-residual disease.

# POLLUX updated analysis: PFS



Median follow-up: 32.9 months (range, 0 - 40.0 months)

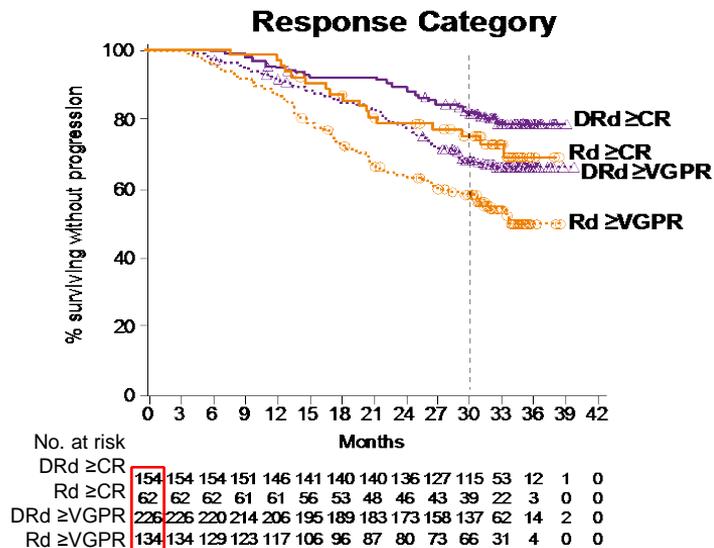
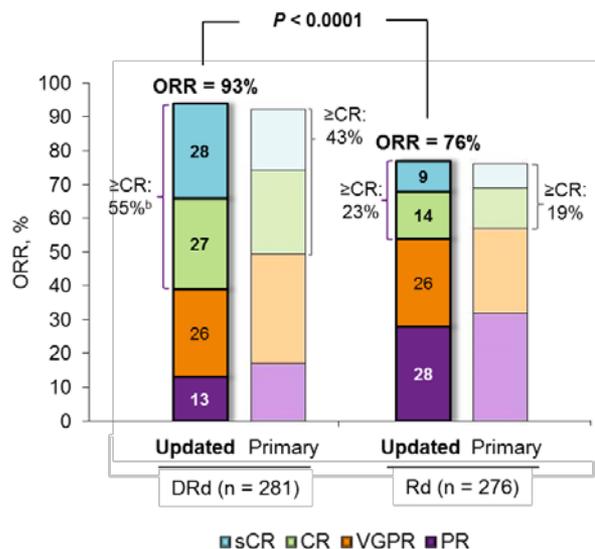
**56% reduction in risk of progression/death for DRd versus Rd**

HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

<sup>a</sup>Exploratory analyses based on clinical cut-off date of October 23, 2017; <sup>b</sup>Kaplan-Meier estimate.

# POLLUX updated analysis: ORR and MRD-negative Rates<sup>a</sup>

- Median follow-up: 32.9 months (range, 0 - 40.0 months)



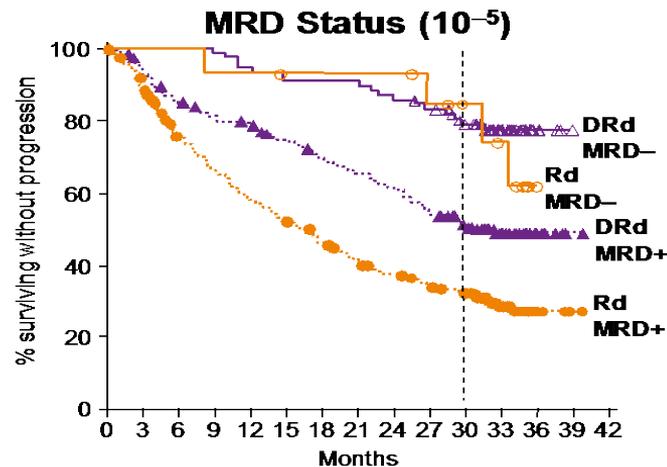
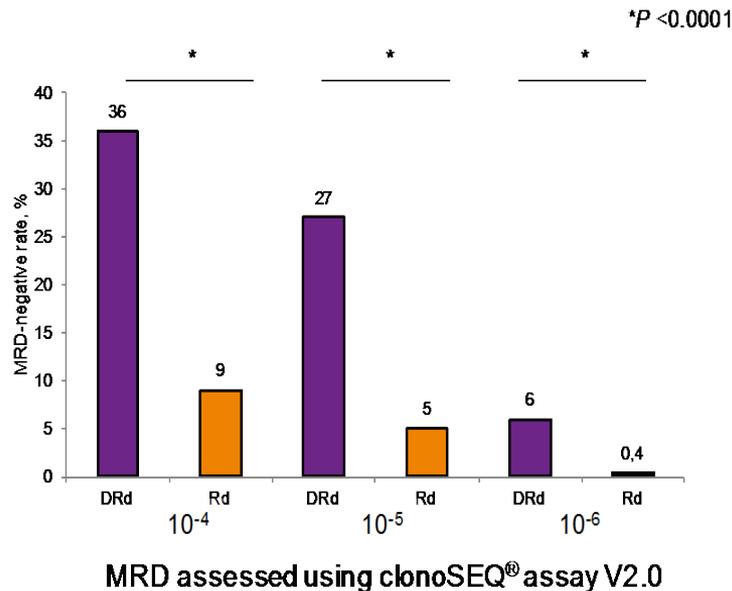
**Responses continued to deepen in the DRd group and deeper responses associated with longer PFS**

sCR, stringent complete response; PR, partial response.

Primary analysis reported in Dimopoulos MA, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2016;375(14):1319-1331.

<sup>a</sup>Exploratory analyses based on clinical cutoff date of October 23, 2017; <sup>b</sup> $P < 0.0001$  for DRd versus Rd.

# POLLUX: PFS by Depth of Response

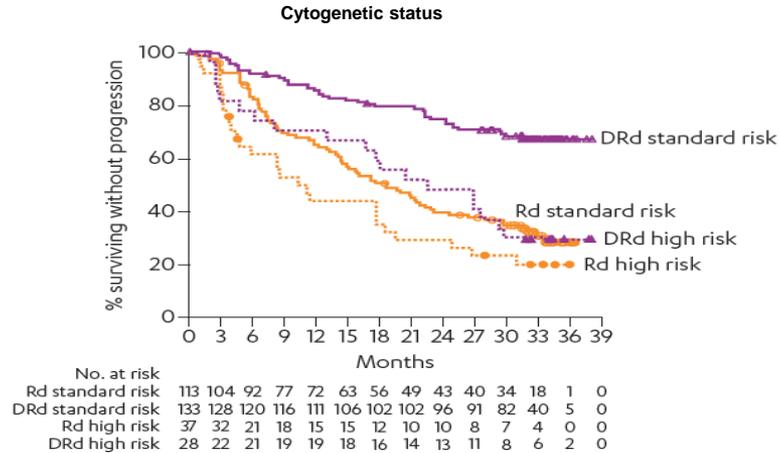


No. at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42
Rd MRD negative	14	14	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	10	8	6	0	0	0
DRd MRD negative	76	76	76	75	72	69	69	69	66	62	54	26	7	1	0
Rd MRD positive	269	235	192	168	147	131	114	99	88	79	72	30	5	1	0
DRd MRD positive	210	190	173	163	157	145	134	125	117	105	91	41	9	1	0

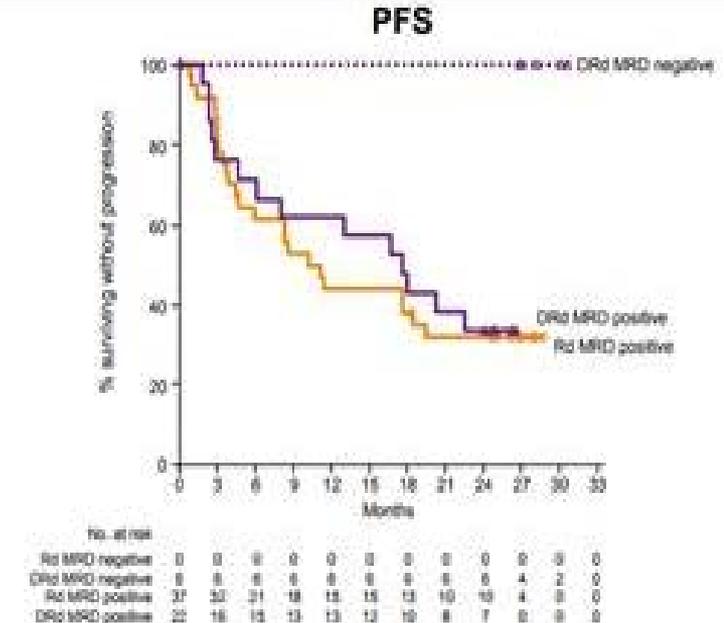
Deeper responses were more common on DRd: Significantly higher (>3-fold) MRD-negative rates for DRd versus Rd  
 MRD negativity was associated with longer PFS

# Phase 3 POLLUX study: DRd vs Rd in RRMM

## Subgroup analyses: cytogenetic abnormalities



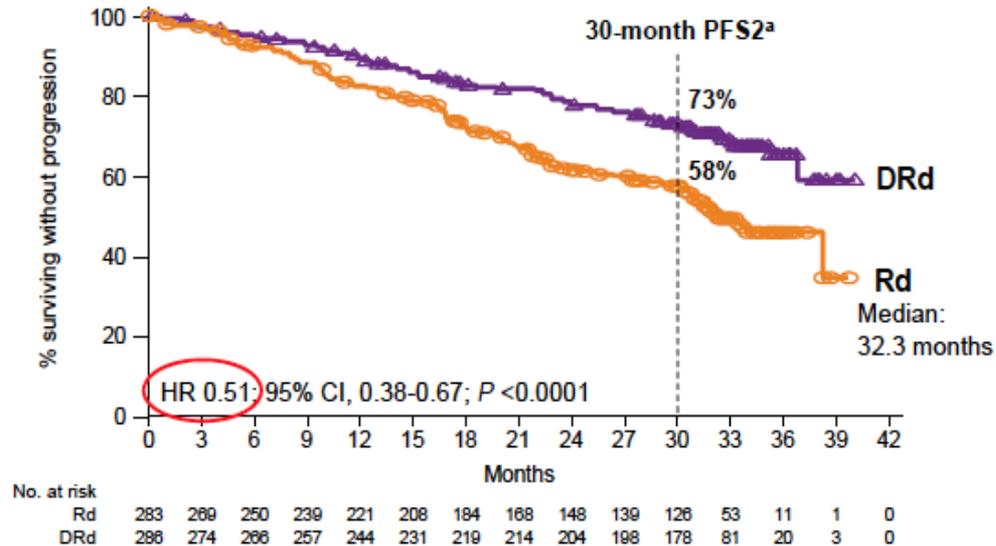
High risk	DRd n = 28	Rd n = 37	Standard risk	DRd n = 133	Rd n = 113
mPFS, mo	22.6	10.2	mPFS, mo	NR	18.5
HR (95% CI)	0.64 (0.33-1.27)		HR (95% CI)	0.28 (0.19-0.43)	
P value	0.1955		P value	<0.0001	



**In pts with high-risk CA, Rd did not result in any MRD-ve whilst DRd patients achieved MRD-ve**

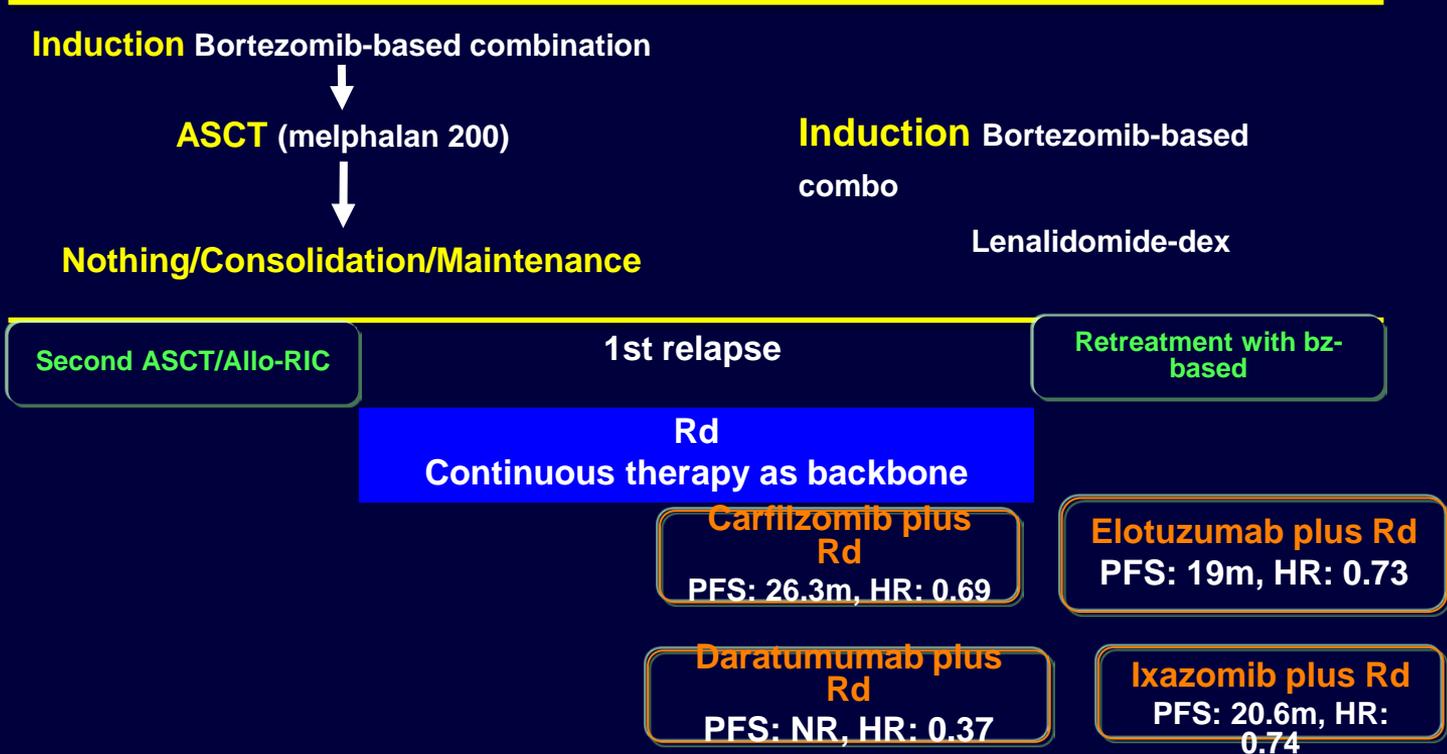
# Phase 3 POLLUX study

## PFS With Subsequent Line of Therapy (PFS2)



**DRd does not negatively impact outcomes of subsequent therapy**

# Options of therapy for RRMM patients



1. Stewart AK, et al. N Engl J Med 2015;372:142-52; 2. Lonial S, et al. N Engl J Med 2015; 373(7):621-31;  
3. Dimopoulos MA: N Engl J Med 2016; 4. Moreau P et al. NEJM 2016;374(17):1621-34.

# Comparison among the different three-drug based combinations based on Rd plus a third agent

## Efficacy&Toxicity

vs. Rd  
(at least 1PL)

### Hazard ratio for progression



### Secondary end points

	median PFS	CR	MRD
DRd <sup>1</sup>	NE (>30m)	55%	27%
KRd <sup>2</sup>	26.3m	31.8%	-
ERd <sup>3</sup>	18.5m	4.4%	-
IRd <sup>4</sup>	20.0m	14.2%	-

Combination (N)	Adverse event	Experimental arm, n (%)
		Grade ≥3
Rd + Carfilzomib (392)	Hypertension	17 (4.3)
	Cardiac failure	15 (3.8)
	Acute renal failure	13 (3.3)
Rd + Elotuzumab (318)	Infusion reaction	(1)
Rd + Ixazomib (361)	Rash	18 (5)
Rd + Daratumumab (283)	Infusion reaction	15 (5.3)

## How are we going to proceed in order to do the right choice concerning IMiD's-based combinations?

- Type of relapse: biochemical, aggressive,...KRd/DaraRd
- Age: elderly patients tolerate well mAbs
- Number of prior lines of therapy
  - Dara-Rd continues being the most effective rescue therapy regardless the number of prior lines.
- Patients preferences, convenience....
  - Combinations of oral adms like IRd
- Cytogenetic abnormalities,....
  - KRd vs DaraRd: KRd seems to be of benefit for this patients' population.

The main challenge for these combinations is that the population in which these trials was done is disappearing with the use of R in the first line of therapy

# Options of therapy for RRMM patients

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combination



**ASCT** (melphalan 200)



**Nothing/Consolidation/Maintenance Len**

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combo

**Lenalidomide-dex**

Second ASCT/Alo-  
RIC

1st relapse

Retreatment with bz-based

**PIs-based combinations**

**Kd**  
HR:0.53 PFS: 18.7 m

**VD + Daratumumab**  
HR:0.32 PFS: 16.7m

~~**Panobinostat-bz/cz**  
HR:0.63 PFS: 12 months~~

~~**Elo-Bd**  
HR: 0.72 PFS: 9.7 m~~

**Rd**

**Continuous therapy as backbone**

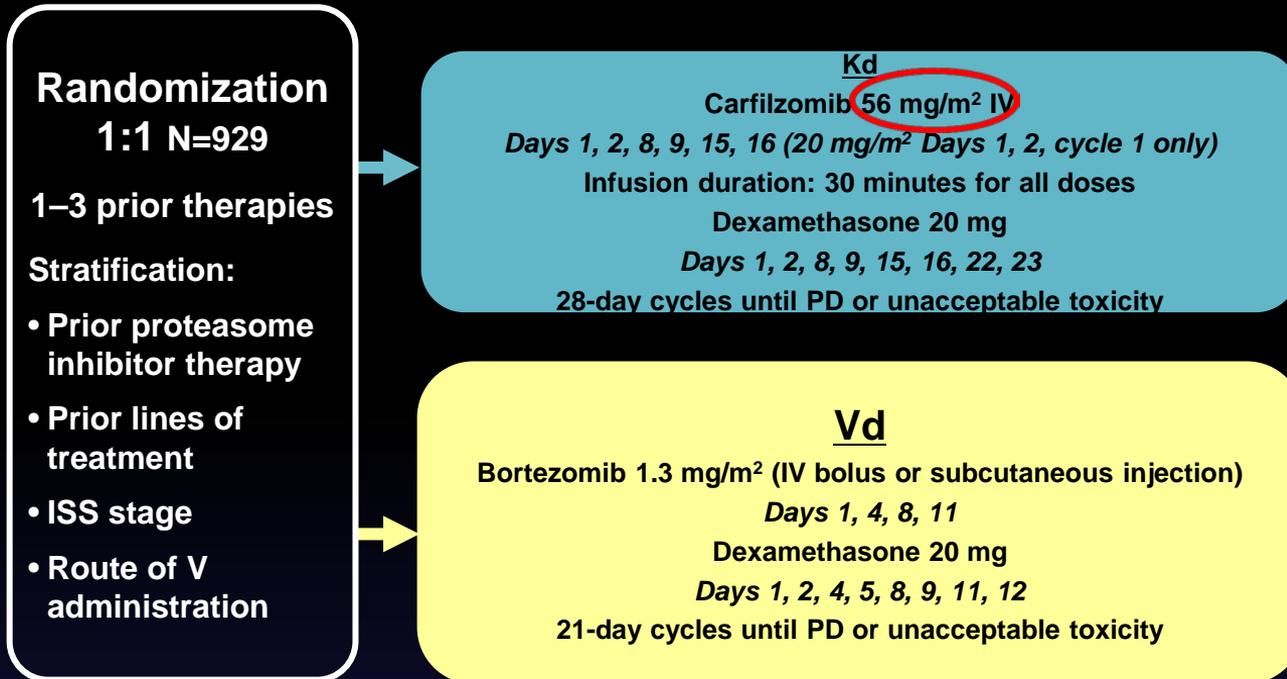
**Carfilzomib plus Rd**  
PFS: 26.3m, HR: 0.69

**Elotuzumab plus Rd**  
PFS: 19m, HR: 0.73

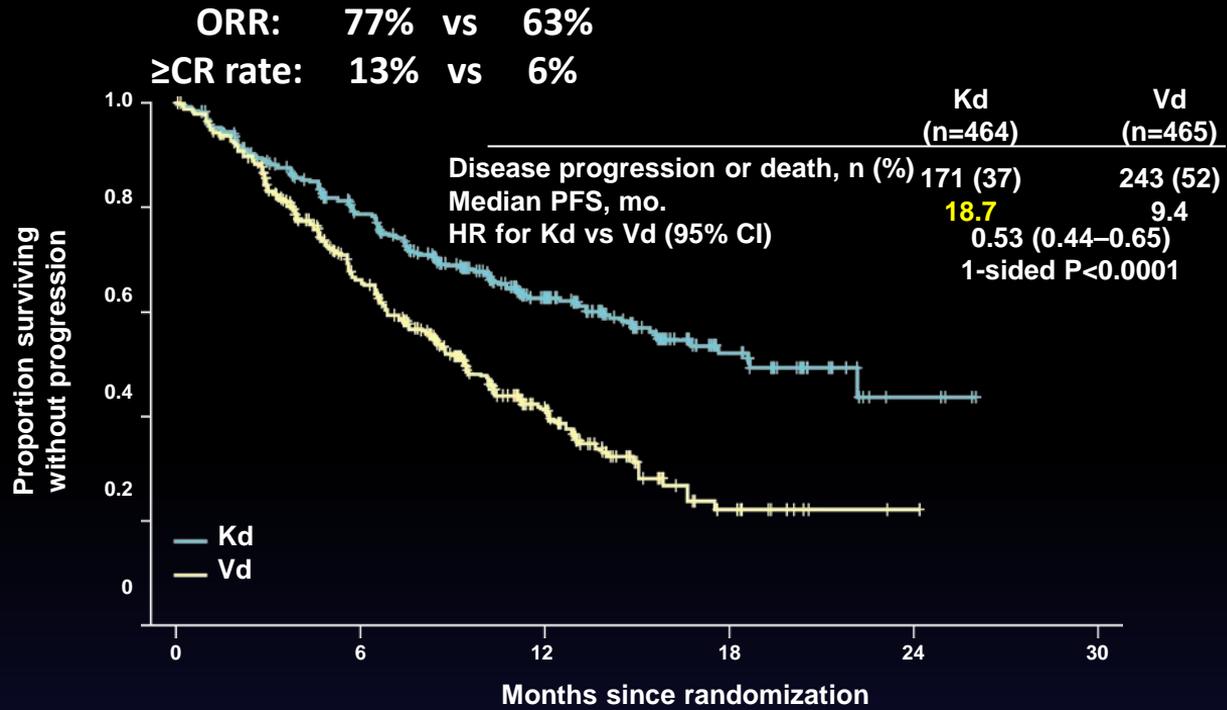
**Daratumumab plus Rd**  
PFS: NR, HR: 0.37

**Ixazomib plus Rd**  
PFS: 20.6m, HR: 0.74

# ENDEAVOR study design

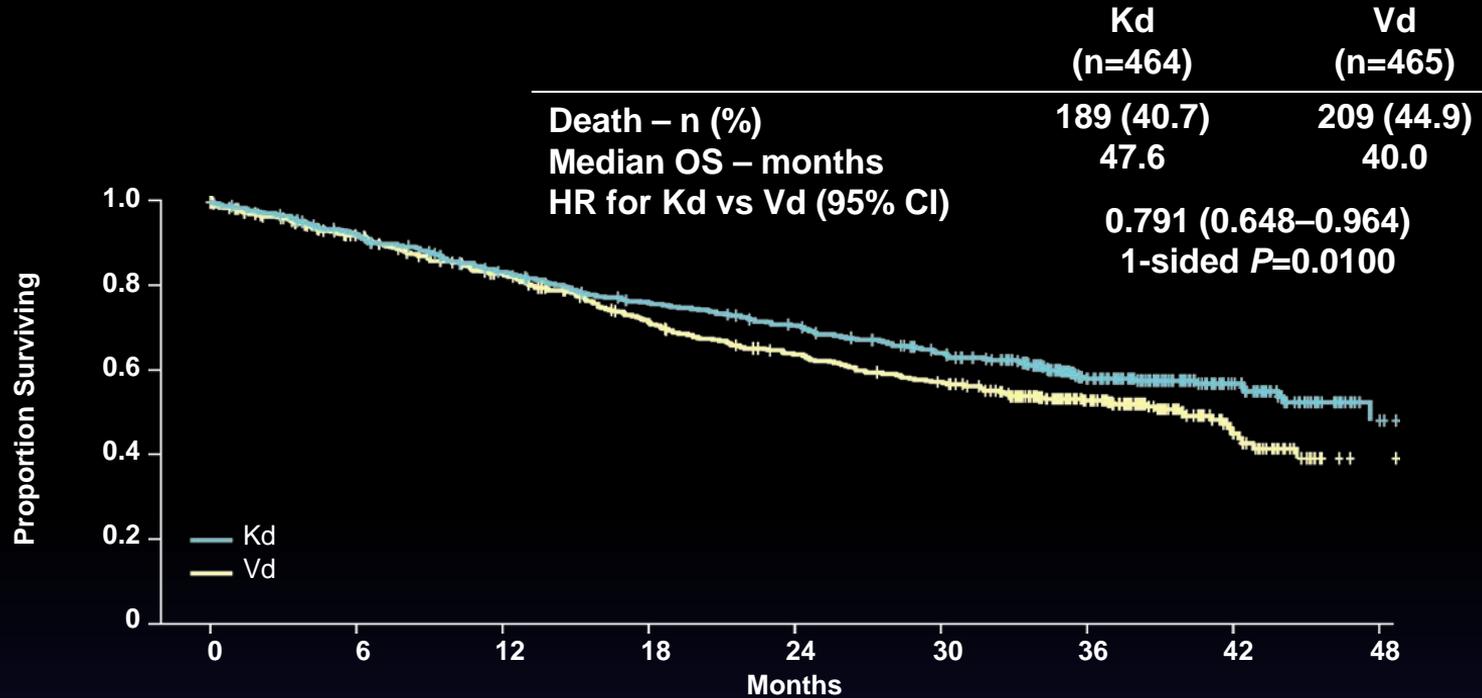


# Endeavor trial: Kd at double dose (56 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) vs Vd (N=929)



- Significant prolongation of the Overall survival: 47 vs 40 months

# Endeavor: Overall Survival



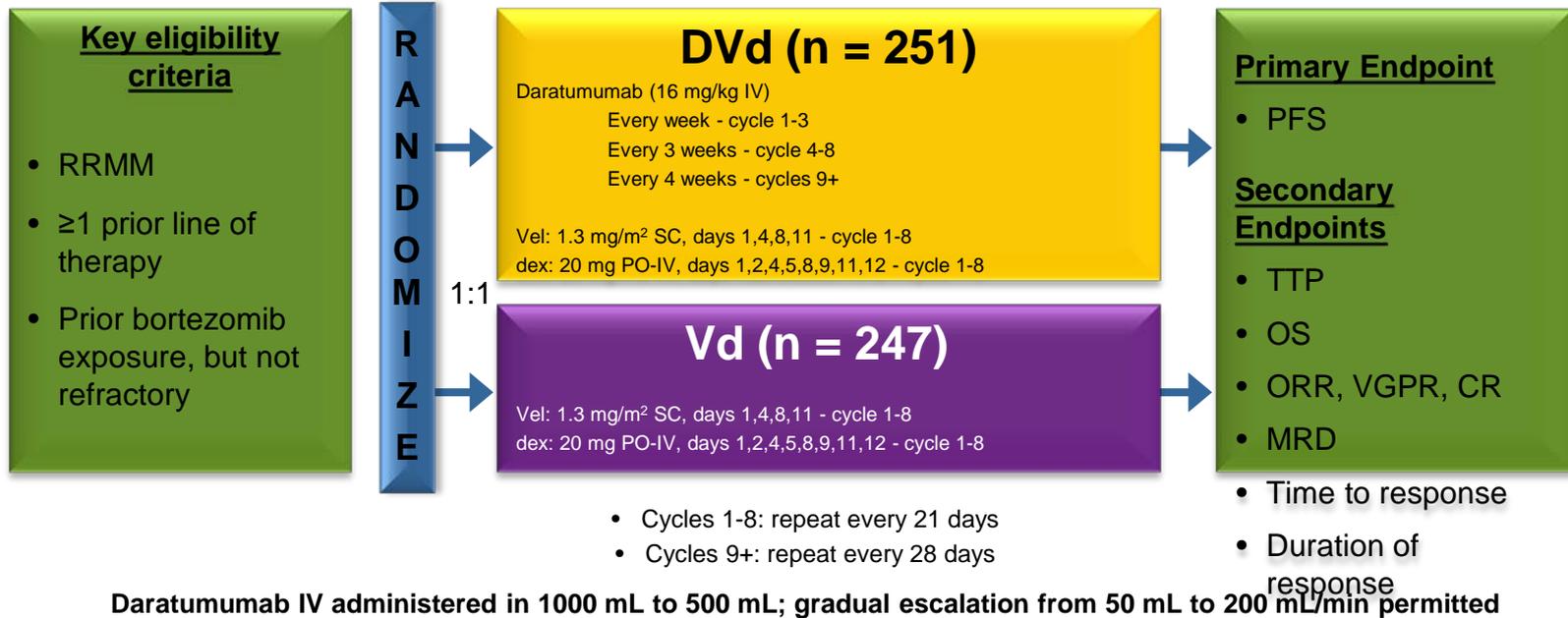
Number at risk:

Kd	464	423	373	335	308	270	162	66	10
Vd	465	402	351	293	256	228	140	39	5

Dimopoulos MA, et al. Presented at: 16<sup>th</sup> International Myeloma Workshop; March 1-4, 2017; New Delhi, India.

# CASTOR: Study Design

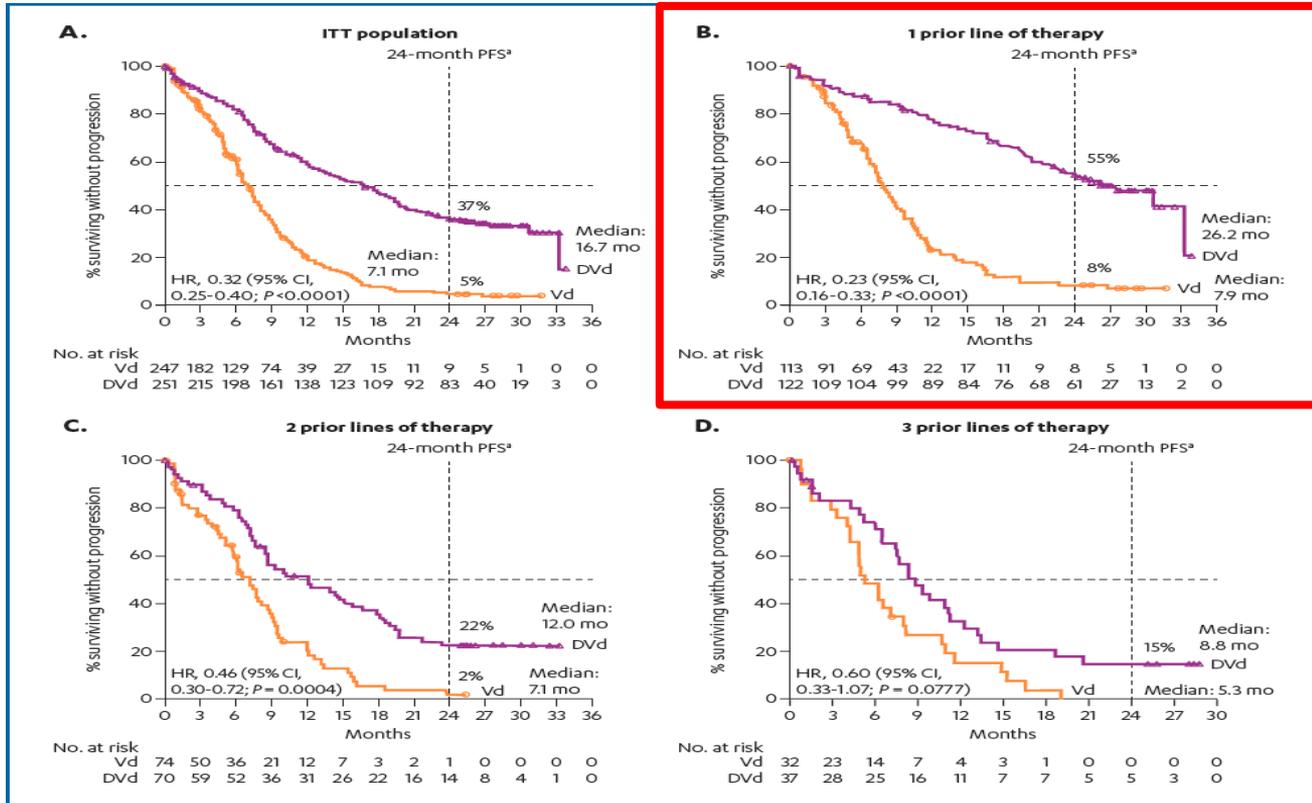
Multicenter, randomized, open-label, active-controlled phase 3 study



RRMM, relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma; DVd, daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone; IV, intravenous; Vel, bortezomib; SC, subcutaneous; dex, dexamethasone; PO, oral; Vd, bortezomib/dexamethasone; PFS, progression-free survival; TTP, time to progression; ORR, overall response rate; VGPR, very good partial response; CR, complete response; MRD, minimal residual disease.

# CASTOR: Updated efficacy

Median f/u: 26.9 months



1. Lentzsch S, et al. Presented at ASH 2017 (Abstract 1852), poster presentation;  
2. Spencer A, et al. Presented at ASH 2017 (Abstract 3145), poster presentation

# CASTOR: DVd vs Vd: update of Response Rates

**Table 2. Response and MRD-negative Rates of DVd Based on the Number of Prior Lines of Therapy**

	Study population		1 prior line of therapy		2 prior lines of therapy		3 prior lines of therapy		1 to 3 prior lines of therapy	
	DVd	Vd	DVd	Vd	DVd	Vd	DVd	Vd	DVd	Vd
<b>ORR<sup>a</sup></b>										
N	240	234	119	109	64	71	35	29	218	209
%	<b>85</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>67</b>
P value	<0.0001		0.0007		0.0563		0.0487		<0.0001	
≥VGPR, %	63	29	77	42	61	18	34	28	65	32
P value	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001		0.6999		<0.0001	
≥CR, %	30	10	43	15	25	9	11	3	33	11
P value	<0.0001		<0.0001		0.0118		0.3009		<0.0001	
sCR, %	10	3	14	5	6	1	6	0	11	3
<b>MRD-negative rate (10<sup>-5</sup>)<sup>b</sup></b>										
N	251	247	122	113	70	74	37	32	229	219
%	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>
P value	<0.0001		0.0002		0.0005		0.64		<0.0001	

MRD, minimal residual disease; DVd, daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone; ITT, intent-to-treat; Vd, bortezomib/dexamethasone; ORR, overall response rate; VGPR, very good partial response; CR, complete response; sCR, stringent complete response.

<sup>a</sup>Response-evaluable population.

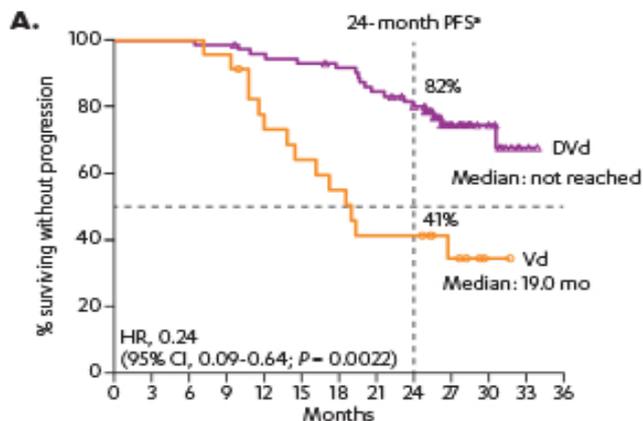
<sup>b</sup>ITT population.

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# CASTOR: DVd vs Vd in RRMM by responses

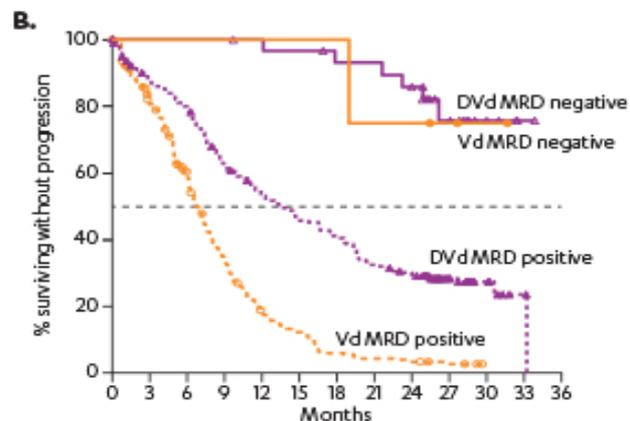
## Patients achieving CR

## Patients achieving MRD -ve



No. at risk

Vd	23	23	23	22	17	14	12	9	9	5	1	0	0
DVd	72	72	72	71	68	66	64	59	55	27	15	2	0



No. at risk

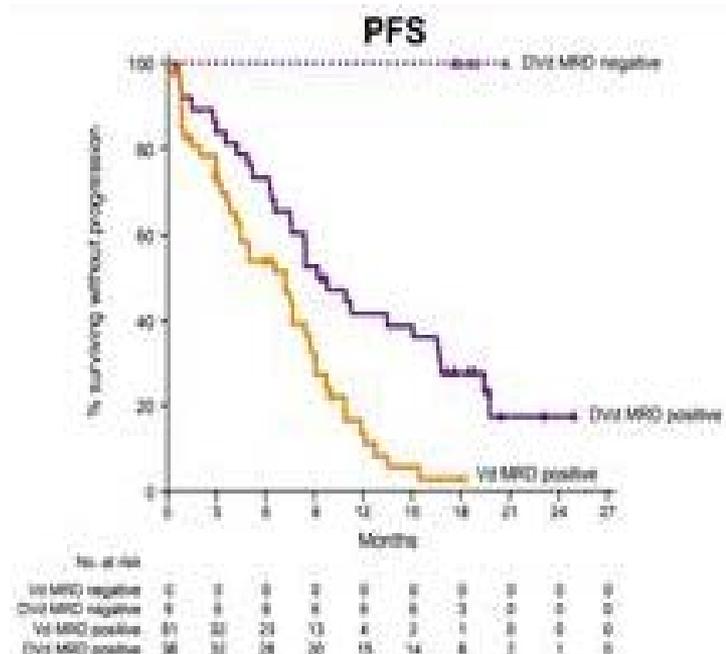
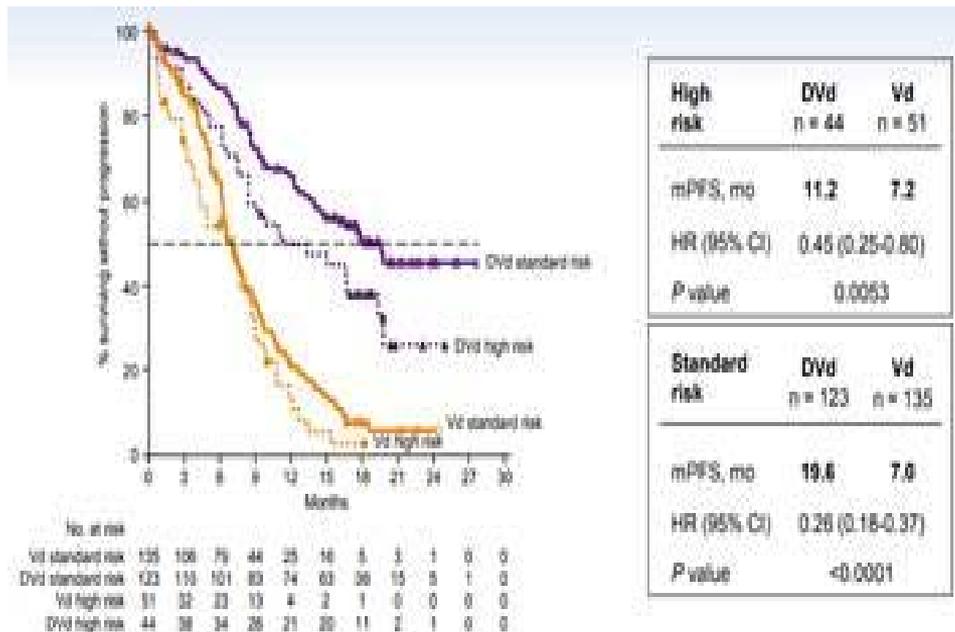
Vd MRD negative	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	2	1	0	0
DVd MRD negative	30	30	30	30	29	28	26	26	24	12	6	1	0
Vd MRD positive	243	178	125	70	35	23	11	8	6	3	0	0	0
DVd MRD positive	221	185	168	131	109	95	83	66	59	28	13	2	0

PFS, progression-free survival; CR, complete response; MRD, minimal residual disease; DVd, daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone; Vd, bortezomib/dexamethasone; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

\*Kaplan-Meier estimate.

**Figure 3. PFS in patients who achieved (A)  $\geq$ CR and (B) MRD negativity at  $10^{-5}$ .**

# Castor: DVd vs Vd in patients with high-risk cytogenetic abnormalities

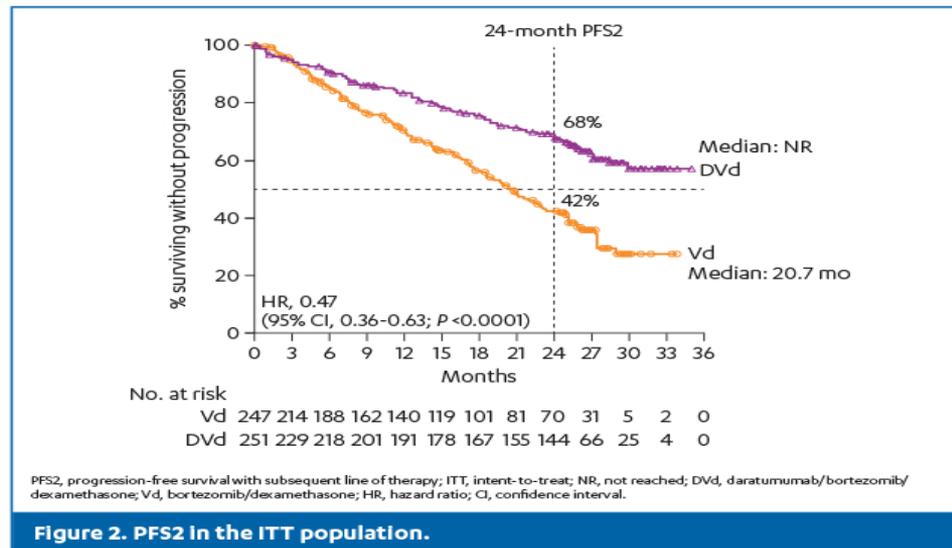


**Patients with HR CA only achieve MRD-ve  
When received DVd**

# CASTOR: PFS2 as surrogate marker for OS

## PFS2 in ITT and Subgroup Populations

- ◆ In the ITT population, PFS2 was significantly prolonged with DVd compared with Vd (median not reached [NR] vs 20.7 months; HR, 0.47; 95% CI, 0.36-0.63;  $P < 0.0001$ ; **Figure 2**)

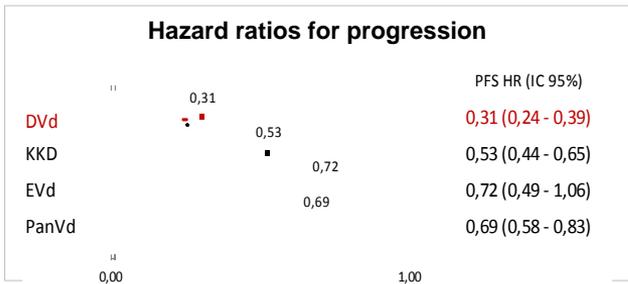


- ◆ PFS2 subgroup analyses demonstrated superiority of DVd versus Vd among patients:

# Comparison among the different Pls-based combinations

## Efficacy & Toxicity

### vs. Vd (after at least 1PL)



**Secondary end points**

	median PFS	CR	MRD
DVd <sup>2</sup>	16.7m	28.8%	18.7%
KKd <sup>3</sup>	17.6m	12.5%	
EVd <sup>1</sup>	9.7m	3.9%	
PanVd <sup>4</sup>	9.9m	14.2%*	-

Combo (N)	Adverse event	Experimental arm, n (%)	
		Grade 3	Grade 4
Kd (463)	Hypertension	41 (9)	0
	Dyspnea	25 (5)	0
	Cardiac failure	17 (4)	3 (<1)
Vd + Dara (243)	Infusion reaction	21 (8.6)	0
	Hypertension	16 (6.6)	

## How are we going to proceed in the clinical practice?

- Type of relapse: aggressive, early relapses occurring within the first 12 m after the last line of therapy: **most effective combinations**
- Age of the patients:
- Sensitivity/Refractoriness to the previous drugs
- Cumulative toxicity
- Comorbidities
- Number and type of prior lines of therapy: **DVd in first relapse**

**The main challenge is that we have to select these combinations more and more because lenalidomide is moving to the first line of therapy**

**New combinations on the PI-based regimens or with second generation IMiD's after 1PL?**

# Sequencing treatment for MM patients

**Transplant Candidate**

**Non Transplant Candidate**

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combination

**MPV / VCD /**

**ASCT** (melphalan 200)

**LD**

**Lenalidomide**

Second ASCT/Allo-RIC

**1st relapse**

**PI's based combinations**

**IMiD's based combinations**

**Kd-Dara**

**Elo-Bd**

**Carfilzomib plus Rd**

**Elotuzumab plus Rd**

**Vd-Daratumumab**

**Selinexor-Bd**

**Dara plus Rd**

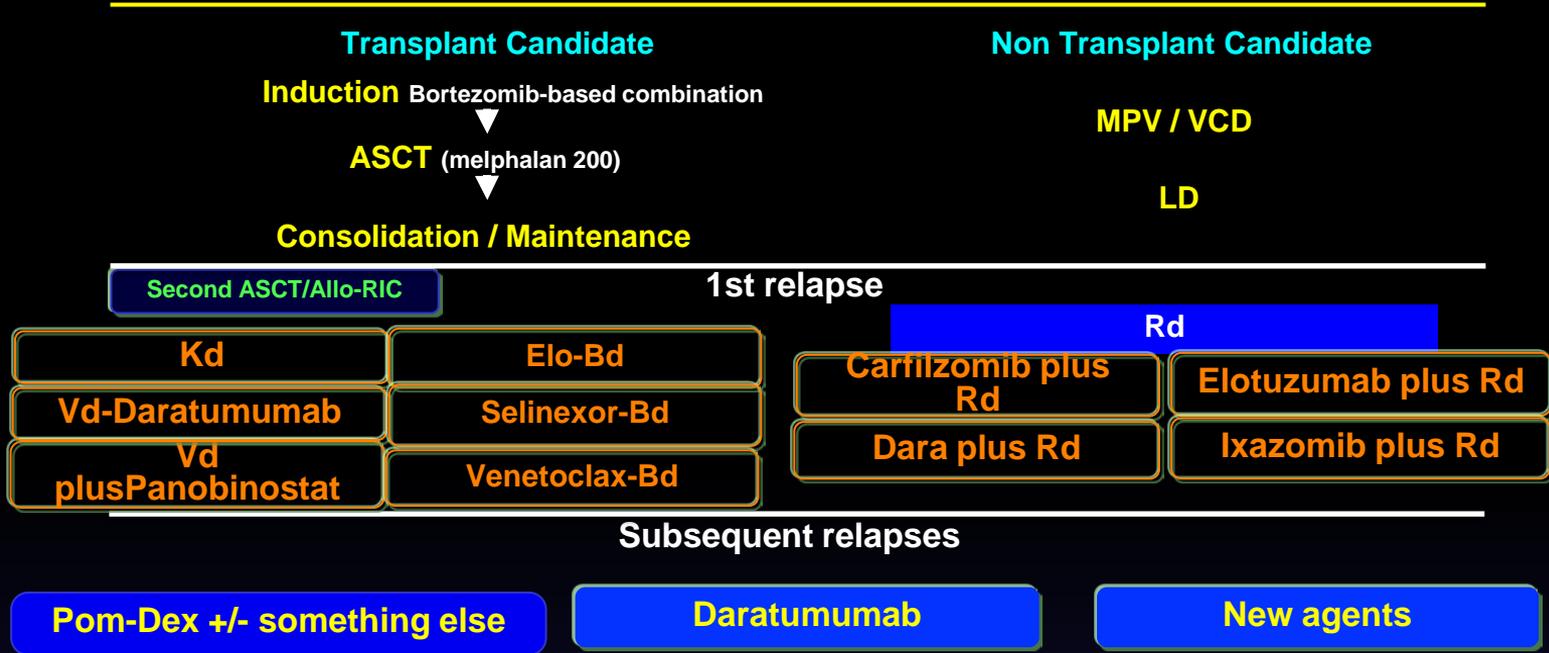
**Ixazomib plus Rd**

**Kd**

**Venetoclax-Bd**

**Vd plus Panobinostat**

# Treatment Possibilities at 2<sup>nd</sup> + relapse



# Phase 3: Pomalidomide + low-dose dex versus high-dose dex in rel/ref MM (MM-003)

Analysis of pts (n=456) double refractory to bortezomib and lenalidomide after a median number of 5 lines

**Updated PFS and OS results**  
median follow-up 15.4 months

	<b>POM + LoDex (n=302)</b>	<b>HiDex (n=153)</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Median PFS</b>	4.0 months	1.9 months	< 0.001
<b>Median OS</b>	13.1 months	8.1 months	0.009

Approval in EU for patients who have previously received at least two prior therapies including bz and len and have **demonstrated disease progression on their last line of therapy**

## Comparison of Pom-Dex trials (& combinations)

	MM-003 <sup>1</sup>	STRATUS (MM-010) <sup>2</sup>	Pom-Dex vs Pom-Cyclo-Dex <sup>3*</sup>	
Treatment	PD	PD	PD	PCD
<i>n</i>	302	604	36	34
Population	<i>Failed Bort &amp; Len &amp; refr to last line</i>		<i>At least 2 prior lines &amp; Len-refractory</i>	
<b>ORR, %</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>≥ VGPR, %</b>			<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>PFS, months</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>9.5</b>
<b>OS, months</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>NR</b>

\*94% EFS at 12 months

1. San Miguel, *Lancet Oncology* 2013

3. Baz et al. *ASH 2014. Abstract 303*

2. Dimopoulos MA, et al. *ASH 2014. Abstract 80*

\* Indicación de combinaciones con tercer fármaco no aprobada en algunos países

# Other available combinations: Pom/dex combinations

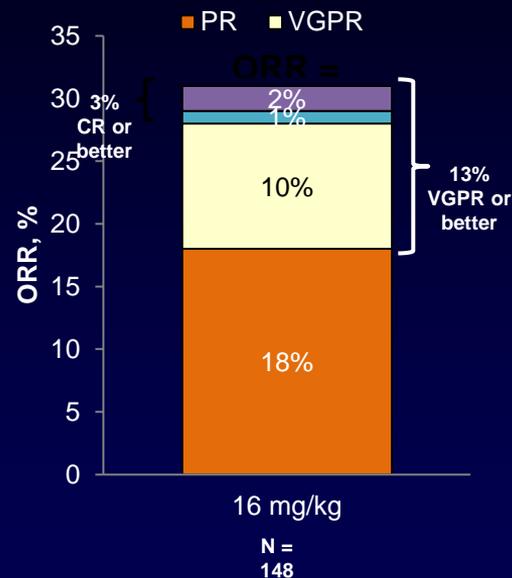
	POM + Vd <sup>1</sup>	K + POMdex <sup>2</sup>	Ixa + POMdex <sup>3</sup>	Dara + POMdex <sup>4</sup>	Isa+ POMdex	MOR202+ POMdex
Regimen	POM 1–4 mg PO D1–14 + BORT 1 mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV or 1.3 mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV or SC C1-8: D1,4,8,11; C9+: D1,8 + LoDex 20 mg (>75 y: 10 mg) C1-8: D1,2,4,5,8,9,11,12; C9+: D1,2,8,9 (n=34) †	Carfilzomib 20/27/36 mg/m <sup>2</sup> D1,2,15,16 + POM 3 or 4 mg/day D1–21 + Dex QW 40 mg C1–4 (20 mg C5–8) (n=46)†  The same combination but K weekly (n=57)	Ixazomib 3 or 4 mg D1,8,15 + POM 4 mg/day D1–21 + Dex 40 mg D1,8,15,22 (>75 y: 20 mg) (All, n=32; Ixa 4 mg, n=25)	Daratumumab 16 mg/kg C1–2 QW; C3–6 Q2W; C7–13 or until PD Q4W + POM 4 mg/day D1–21 + Dex 40 mg (>75 y: 20 mg) (n=98)	Isatuximab 10 mg/Kg IV C1 QW; Q2W thereafter + POM 4 mg/day D1–21 + Dex 40 mg (>75 y: 20 mg) (m=14)	MOR202 at dose of 4, 8, 16 mg/kg QW + POM 4 mg/day D1–21 + Dex 40 mg (>75 y: 20 mg) (n=9=)
Study phase	1	1/2	1/2	1	1/2	1/2
Prior lines of therapy, n	1–4		1–5 including P and Len	≥2 (2–13)	4.5 (3–11)	2
Refractory to Len, n (%)	All patients were Len- refractory	40 (87)/41(72)	32 (100); 25 (100)	87 (89)	15(75)	9 (100)
Refractory to PI, n (%)	All pts were PI-exposed (but not refractory)	NR	20 (63); 15 (60)*	74 (76)	-	-
ORR, %	65	64/64	44	71	64	78
Median (range) DOR	7.4 (4.4–9.6) months	NR	56 (28-160) months	NR	4 months	-
Median PFS, months	NR	12.9/9.2	NR	6-m rate = 66%	-	-

D, day; Dex, dexamethasone; DOR, duration of response; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; Len, lenalidomide; NR, not reported; ORR, overall response rate; PI, proteasome inhibitor; PFS, progression-free survival

1. Richardson et al. Presented at EHA 2016; P653; 2. Rosenbaum et al. Presented at ASH 2015 (Abstract 8007); 3. Krishnan et al. Presented at ASCO 2016 (Abstract 8008), oral presentation; 4. Chari et al. Presented at ASH 2015 (Abstract 508), oral presentation

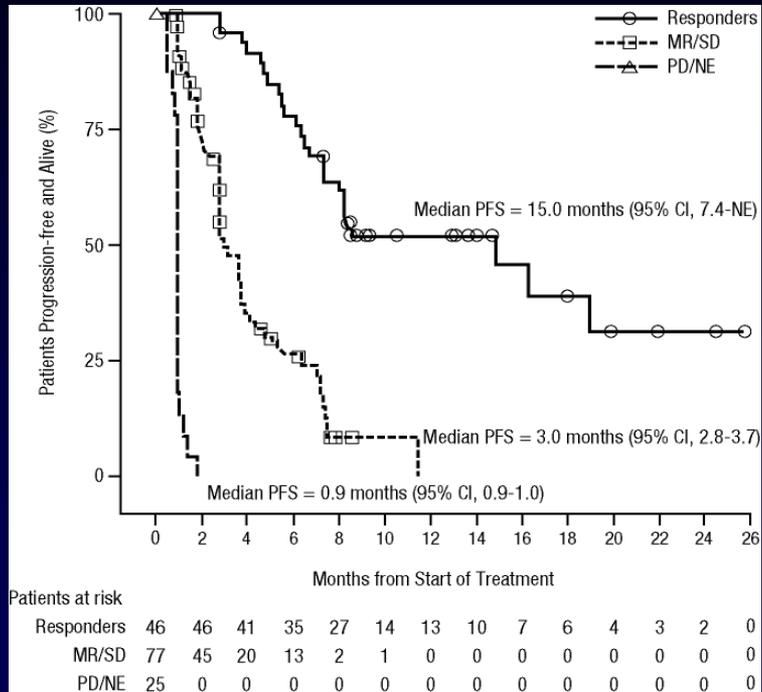
# Daratumumab single agent: Efficacy in Combined Analysis

	16 mg/kg (N = 148)	
	n (%)	95% CI
<b>Overall response rate (sCR+CR+VGPR+PR)</b>	<b>46 (31)</b>	<b>23.7-39.2</b>
Best response		
sCR	3 (2)	0.4-5.8
CR	2 (1)	0.2-4.8
VGPR	14 (10)	5.3-15.4
PR	27 (18)	12.4-25.4
MR	9 (6)	2.8-11.2
SD	68 (46)	37.7-54.3
PD	18 (12)	7.4-18.5
NE	7 (5)	1.9-9.5
VGPR or better (sCR+CR+VGPR)	19 (13)	7.9-19.3
CR or better (sCR+CR)	5 (3)	1.1-7.7

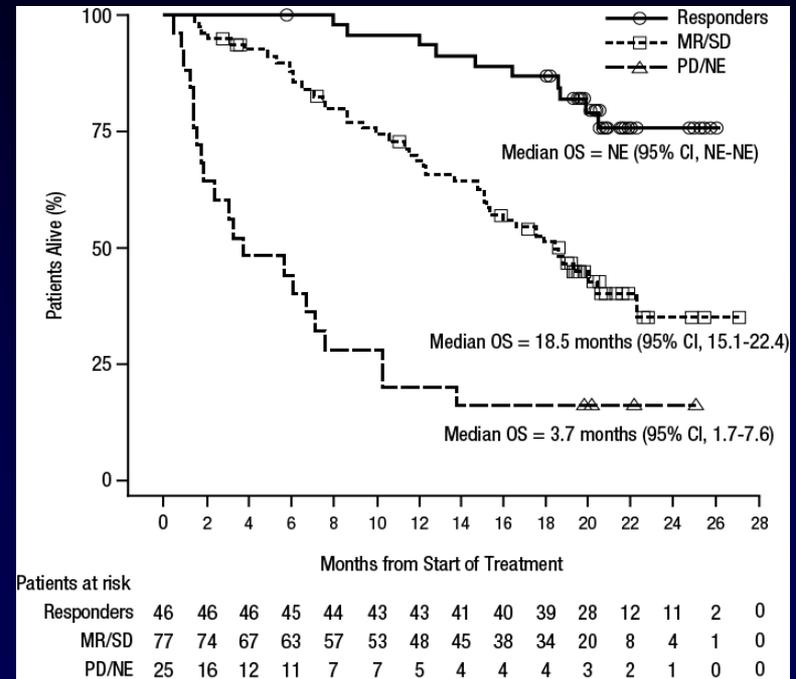


- ORR = 31%
- Disease control rate was obtained in 84% of the patients

# GEN501 and SIRIUS (MMY2002) Combined Analysis: PFS/OS



**Median PFS: 4 m**



**Median OS: 20 m**

# Options of therapy for RRMM patients

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combination



**ASCT** (melphalan 200)



**Nothing/Consolidation/Maintenance**

**Induction** Bortezomib-based combo

Lenalidomide-dex

Second ASCT/Allo-  
RIC

1st relapse

Retreatment with bz-based

**PIs-based combinations**

**Kd**

HR:0.53 PFS: 18.7 months

**VD + Daratumumab**

HR:0.39 PFS: NR

**Kd + Dara**  
**Kd + Cyclo**

**Vd + Selinexor**  
**Vd + Venetoclax**

**Rd**

**Continuous therapy as backbone**

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PFS: 19m, HR: 0.73

**Daratumumab plus Rd**  
PFS: NR, HR: 0.37

**Ixazomib plus Rd**  
PFS: 20.6m, HR: 0.74

**PIs-based combinations will be more and more important but we have to wait to know the results of the Phase 3 trials**

**Comparisons among the different combinations no feasible because pts populations are different**

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**Pom-dex based combos**

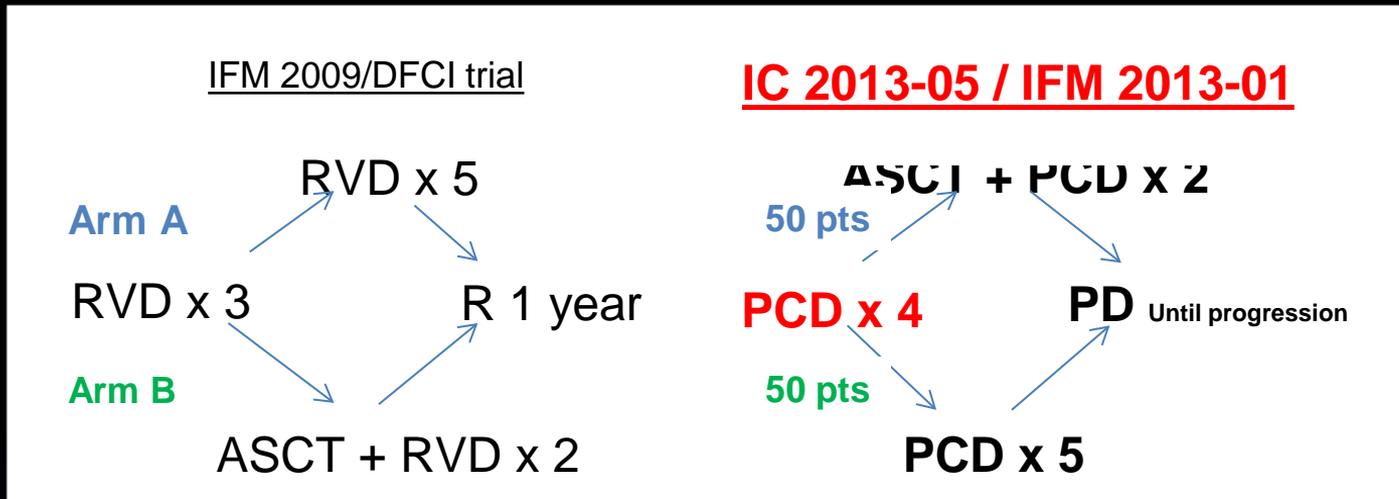
**Pomalidomide +Vd**  
**Pom+Cy+Dex**  
**Pom-dex-Dara\***

# Pomalidomide plus cyclophosphamide and dexamethasone

4 mg/d, días 1-21

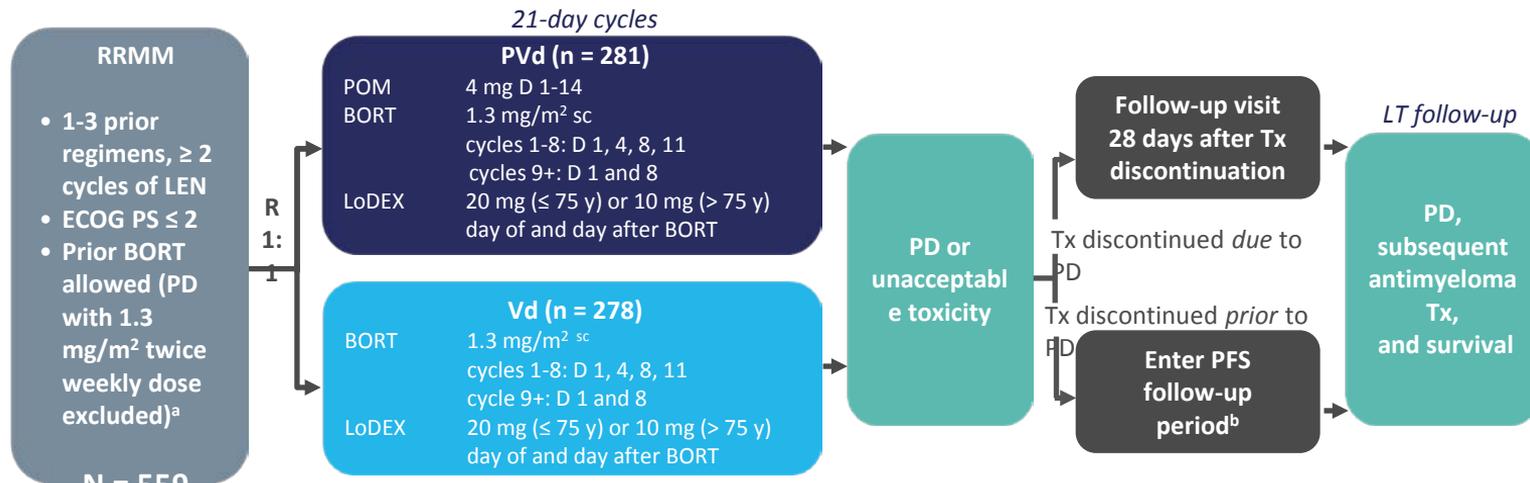
300 mg weekly

40 mg D1-4 and D15-18



- 97 pts evaluable for efficacy
- **ORR: 85%, including 1% CR and 34% of >VGPR**
- **No differences between patients that had received or not ASCT**
- **94% of naïve transplant patients could proceed to ASCT after PCD as rescue regimen**
- Safety profile: ≥ G3 neutropenia (51%), infection (9%)

# PHASE 3 OPTIMISMM STUDY DESIGN



## • Stratification

- Age ( $\leq 75$  y vs  $> 75$  y)
- Prior regimens (1 vs  $> 1$ )
- $\beta 2$ -microglobulin at screening ( $< 3.5$  mg/L vs  $\geq 3.5$  to  $\leq 5.5$  mg/L vs  $> 5.5$  mg/L)

## • Study endpoints

- Primary: PFS
- Secondary: OS, ORR by IMWG criteria, DOR, safety
- Key exploratory: TTR, PFS2, efficacy analysis in subgroups

## • Data cutoff: October 26, 2017

<sup>a</sup> Patients with PD during therapy or within 60 days of the last dose of a BORT-containing therapy under the approved dosing schedule of 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> twice weekly were excluded.

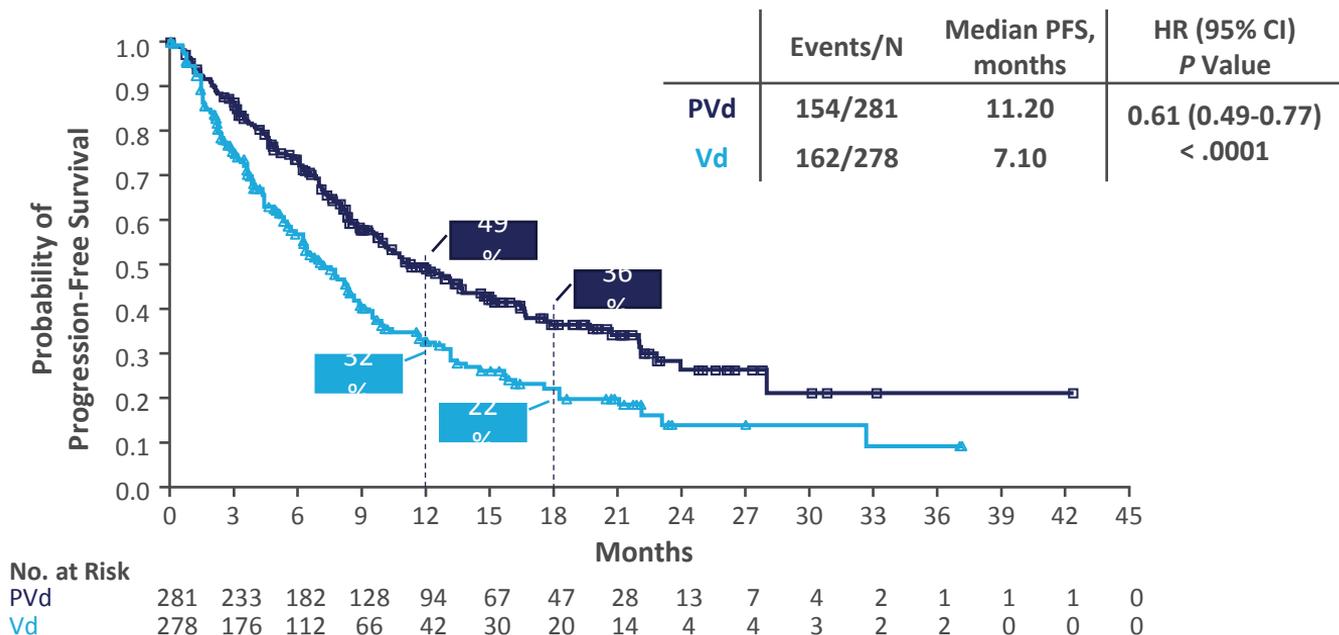
<sup>b</sup> Efficacy evaluated every 21 days ( $\pm 3$  days) until PD.

DOR, duration of response; LT, long-term; PFS2, progression-free survival after next line of therapy; TTR, time to response.

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# PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL (ITT)

- PVd reduced the risk of progression and death by 39% compared with Vd



# PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL BY LEN REFRACTORINESS

- PFS was improved with PVd regardless of LEN refractoriness

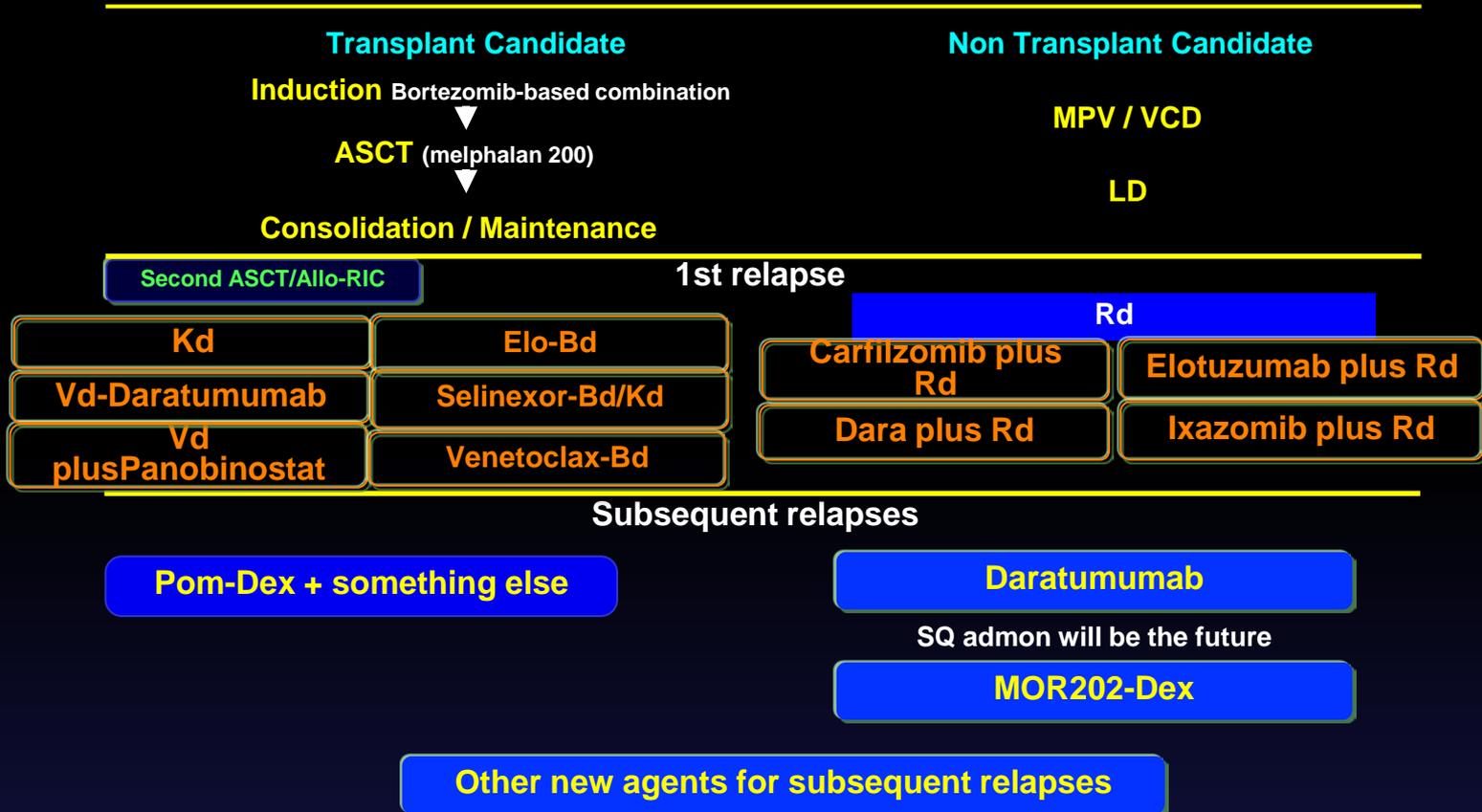
Subgroup	PFS	PVd	Vd
LEN-refractory <sup>a</sup>	n/N	120/200	118/191
	Median, months	9.53	5.59
	HR (95% CI) P Value	0.65 (0.50-0.84) < .001	
LEN-nonrefractory	n/N	34/81	44/87
	Median, months	22.01	11.63
	HR (95% CI) P Value	0.48 (0.30-0.75) .001	

**PFS in patients lenalidomide refractory as part of the first line of therapy and receiving PVd at first relapse is 17.5 months**

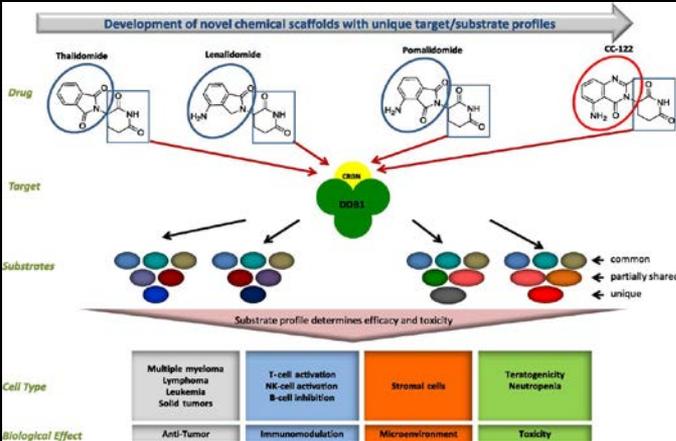
<sup>a</sup>Refractory: failure to achieve minimal response or development of progressive disease during therapy, or progression within 60 days of last dose, inclusive.

LEN-refractory: refractoriness to the last LEN-containing regimen, LEN-nonrefractory: nonrefractory to LEN in last LEN-containing regimen

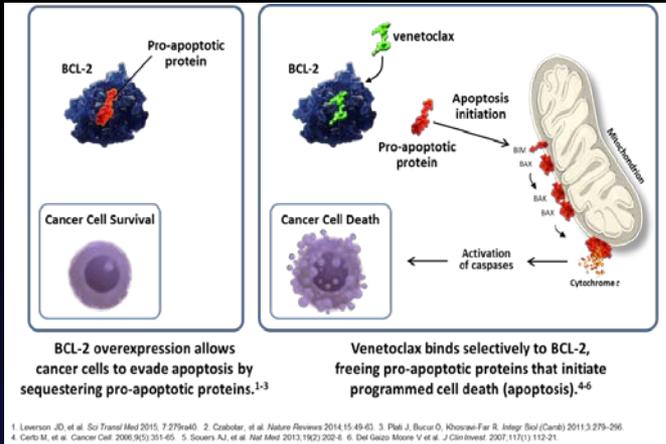
# Treatment Possibilities at 2<sup>nd</sup> + relapse



## New IMiD's

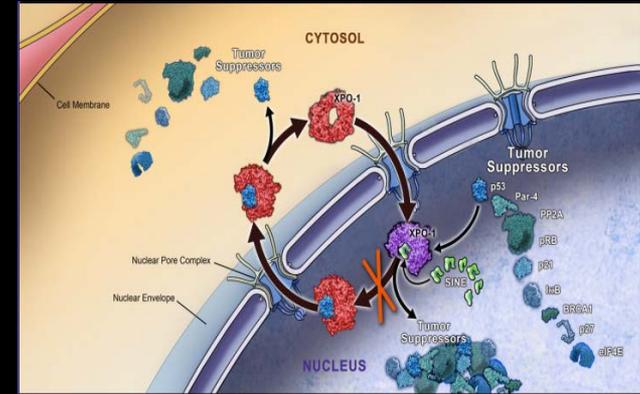


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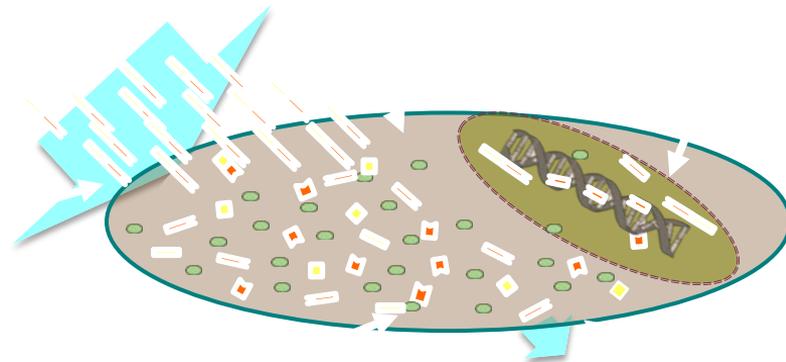


## New agents

## Selinexor: Xpo-1 inhibitor

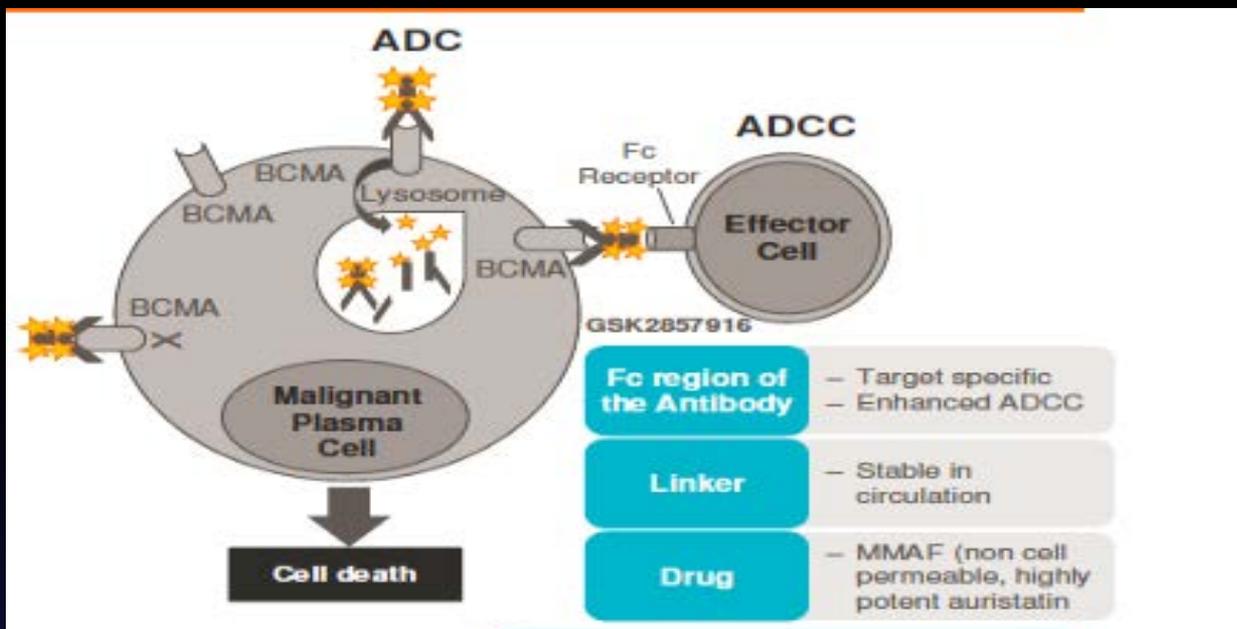


## Melflufen is a new alkylator



# New agents

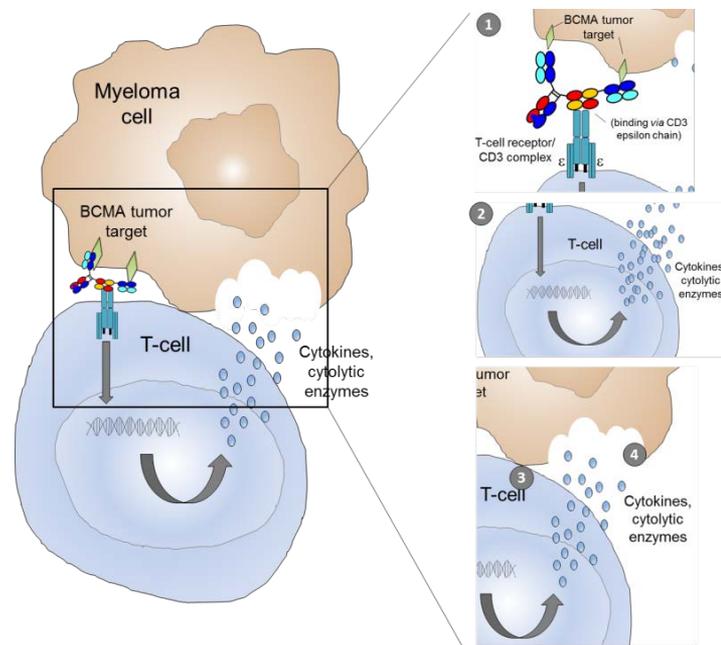
## Bispecific/Conjugated MoAbs



# BCMA bispecific antibodies in myeloma

- Potential to overcome the limitations of immunosuppressive tumor microenvironment by redirecting T cells to kill tumor target cells
- BCMA (B-cell maturation antigen, CD269)
- IgG-like bispecific antibody (long serum half-life, retain Fc function):<sup>1-3</sup>
  - Anti-BCMAxCD3 (Pfizer)<sup>4</sup>
  - Ab-957 (GenmabDuoBody/Janssen)<sup>1</sup>
  - CC-93269 (EngMab/Celgene)<sup>2,3</sup>
  - Bi-Fab<sup>5</sup>
- Non-IgG like BiTE<sup>®</sup> (better tissue penetrate, access to epitopes):
  - BI 836909 (Boehringer Ingelheim; AMG420, Amgen)<sup>6</sup>

## Mechanism of action of CC-93269 BCMA-TCB

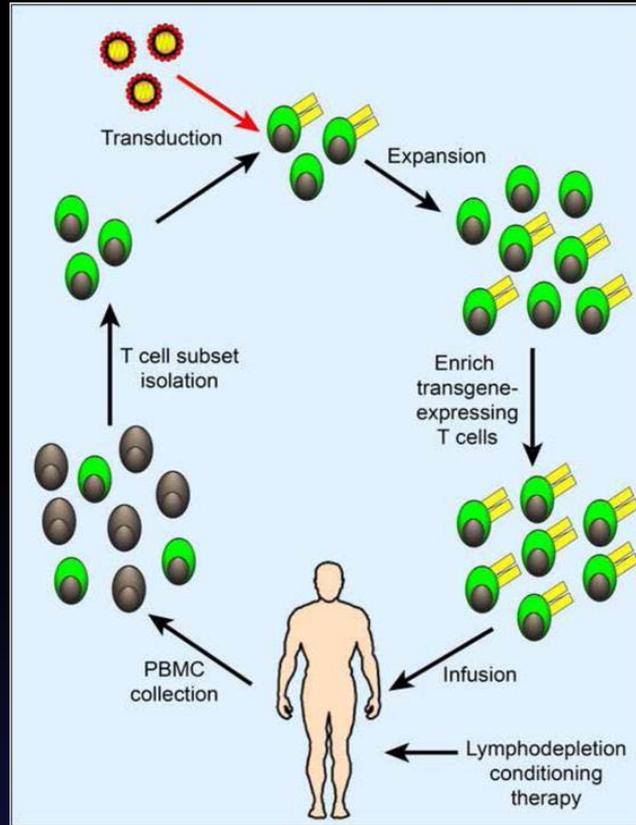
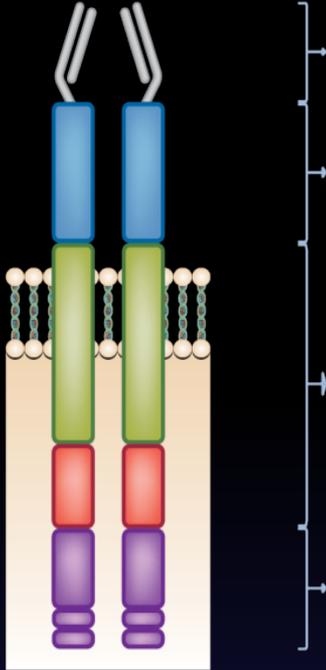


**$\alpha$ -BCMA: bivalent high affinity binding**  
 **$\alpha$ -CD3 $\epsilon$  chain: monovalent low affinity binding**

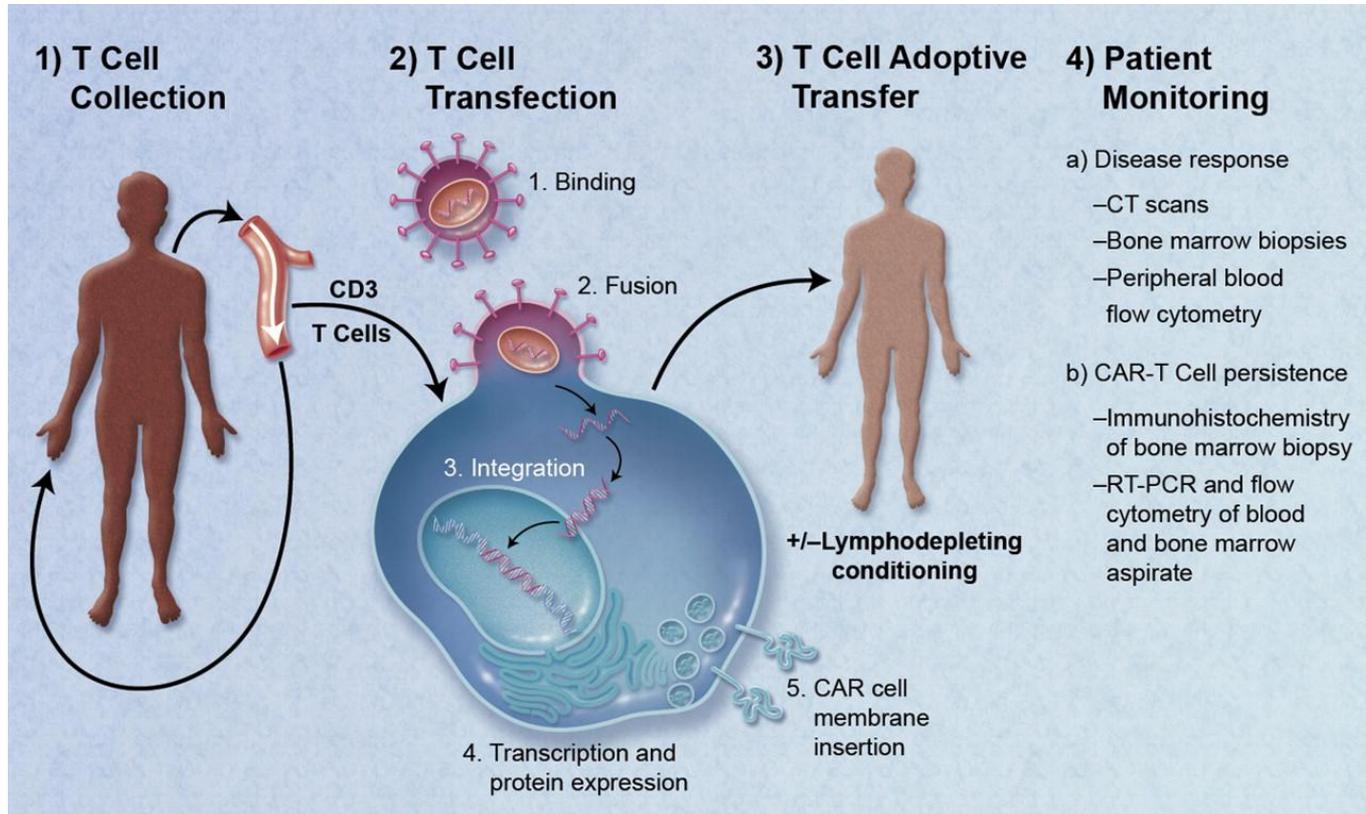
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# New agents

## CAR-T cells



# How are CAR T cells manufactured?



# CAR-T cell for MM: LCAR-B38M

## LCAR-B38M

3 smaller infusions rather than a single-one  
Targets two regions of the BCMA antigen

Two patients had extramedullary disease, on the forehead in one of them and on the jaw in the other.

Figure 1

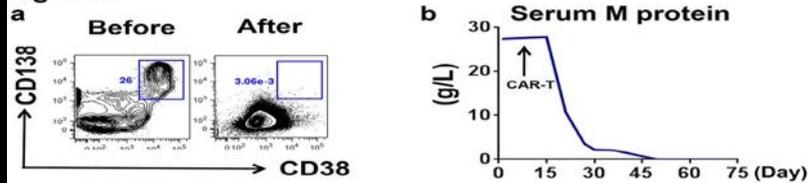


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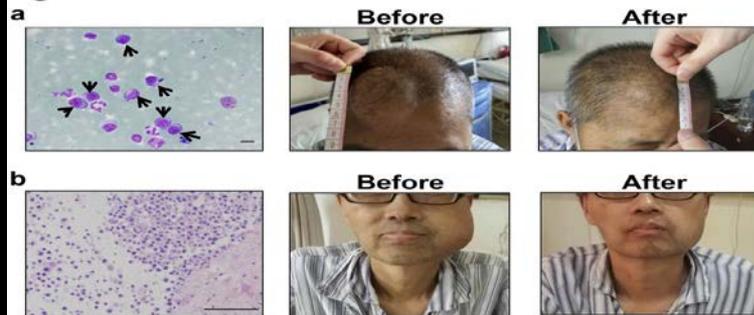
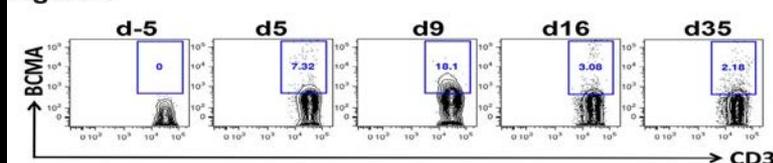


Figure 3



- (a) Flow cytometry detection of bone marrow MRD before and two months after CAR-T therapy.
- (b) The change of plasma M protein concentration after CAR-T infusion. The final assessment was on day 65 post CAR-T.

- (a) Plasma cells were detected in the EMD. On day 20 post CAR-T infusion, the plasmacytoma on the forehead was remarkably reduced.
- (b) The histopathology reveals that the mass of the lower jaw was a plasmacytoma, which was largely reduced on day 23 post CAR-T.

Flow cytometry shows the percentage of BCMA specific CAR-T cells in CD3 positive peripheral T cells at least 35 days after CAR-T infusion.

# Management of patients with MM: Summary

