How I treat high-risk relapsed refractory CLL patient

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How to define high-risk CLL in era of targeted drugs!

Disease-Related Risk Factors

Treatment-specific Risk Factors

resistance mutations in BTK, PLCG2 and BCL2 Non-Treatment-specific Risk Factors genomic instability TP53 deficiency ?

Treatment-Related Risk Factors

adverse risk-benefit profile by overtreatment

> increased risk for infection

High

Risk

CLL

contraindication to or intolerance towards novel agent

Patient-Related Risk Factors Risk Factors Related to the Situational Context the COVID-19 pandemic

> restricted access to CLL specialists and/or targeted therapy

Therapy option for R/R CLL^{1–7}



This diagram does not represent all available sequences. Please refer to your local hospital guidelines for the full algorithm of available treatment options.

[†]Patients treated with Ven+O are not currently eligible for Ven+R as a subsequent therapy. [‡]Only if the patient has not progressed during Ven+R. [§]Venetoclax monotherapy is approved for del(17p) CLL patients unsuitable for BCRi.

BCRi, B cell receptor inhibitor; CIT, chemoimmunotherapy; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukaemia; *IgHV*, immunoglobulin heavy chain gene; *TP53*, gene coding for p53; Ven, venetoclax; Ven+O, venetoclax + obinutuzumab; Ven+R, venetoclax + rituximab.

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SEQUENCING IN RELAPSED REFRACTORY CLL

The treatment for relapsed/refractory CLL depends on front-line treatment

Non-Covalent BTK

inhibitor

Head-to- head BTKi trials

VS BCL-2 inhibitor Venetoclax +/-Rituximab

VS

PI3Kinase inhibitor Idelalisib with rituximab



Patients on Landmark Relapsed refractory studies were not treated with prior novel agents n = 9/926

Agent	Study Name (Control Arm)	Number treated	Median (range) prior therapies	Percent on modern chemotherapy free pathways	Percent treated with \ge 1 BTK, Ven or PI3K-i
Ibrutinib	Resonate (ofatumumab)	195	3 (1 - 12)	0%	0%
Acalabrutinib	ASCEND (investigator's choice: BR or idela-ritux)	155	1 (1 - 8)	0%	0%
Venetoclax monotherapy	Del 17p study (single arm)	107	2 (0 - 10)	Unknown <3.7%	3.7% (n=4)
Venetoclax- rituximab	Murano (BR)	194	1 (1 - >3)	Unknown <2.6%	2.6% (n=5)
Idelalisib- rituximab	STUDY 116 (placebo-ritux)	110	3 (1 – 12)	0%	0%
Duvelisib	DUO	160	2	0%	0%

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RR CLL – What not to do

CIT in RR CLL – Inferior to BTKi and BCL2i



RR CLL treated with time limited VenR vs BR

Median FU 59.2 mo from randomisation

PFS 53.6 vs 17 months in favour VenR

Seymour JF et al. N Engl J Med 2018; 378: 1107–20. 3. Kater AP: ASH: 2020 Phase 3 ASCEND Acala vs IdelR / BR R/R CLL

Median follow-up 22 months (N=307)

Ghia P, ASH, 2020

PI3Ki in RR CLL – Inferior to BTKi and BCL2i





Real-world retrospective analysis 683 pts with treatment-naive or R/R CLL

Real world retrospective multicentre analysis. Progression free survival post ibrutinib failure

The first targeted agent: BTKi vs VenR

Factors to consider in R/R CLL



Ven vs lbr as first novel agent in R/R CLL



Retrospective, indirect comparison of ven vs ibr as first novel agent in R/R CLL (N=433)

Median FU 14 mo lbr, 13.5 mo Ven

Eyre TA, Haematologica 2021 Adapted from AbbVie EHA presentation 2021; Mato

RR CLL – Which BTKi

Ibrutinib vs Acalabrutinib vs Zanubrutinib

ELEVATE-RR: Phase 3 Randomized Non-inferiority Open-Label Trial

Patients (N=533) Key Inclusion Criteria

- Adults with previously treated CLL requiring therapy (iwCLL 2008 criteria¹)
- Presence of del(17p) or del(11q)^a
- ECOG PS of ≤2

Stratification

- del(17p) status (yes or no)
- ECOG PS (2 vs ≤1)
- No. prior therapies (1−3 vs ≥4)



Key exclusion criteria: Significant CV disease; concomitant treatment with warfarin or equivalent vitamin K antagonist; prior treatment with ibrutinib, a BCR inhibitor, (eg, BTK, PI3K, or Syk inhibitors) or a BCL-2 inhibitor (eg, venetoclax)

NCT02477696 (ACE-CL-006).

^aBy central laboratory testing; ^bcontinued until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity; ^cconducted after enrollment completion and accrual of ~250 IRC-assessed PFS events.

Afib/flutter, atrial fibrillation/flutter; BCL-2, B-cell leukemia/lymphoma-2; BCR, B-cell receptor; BID, twice daily; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CV, cardiovascular; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; IRC, independent review committee; iwCLL, International Workshop on CLL; PFS, progression-free survival; PI3K, phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase; PO, orally; QD, once daily. 1. Hallek M, et al. *Blood*. 2008;111:5446-56.

Hillmen et al. ELEVATE-RR, S145, EHA 2021.

Primary Endpoint: Non-inferiority PFS Met (median f/u: 40.9 months)



1. Byrd JC et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021;39:3441-3452.

Median follow-up: 40.9 months (range, 0.0–59.1).

CI, confidence interval; INV, Investigator; PFS, progression-free survival.

ELEVATE-RR: Cardiac AEs of Interest¹



AEs, adverse events; HR, hazard ratio.

1. Byrd JC et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021;39:3441-3452.

ALPINE: Phase 3, Randomized Study of Zanubrutinib vs Ibrutinib in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory CLL or SLL

R/R CLL/SLL with ≥ 1 prior treatment (Planned N=600, Actual N=652)

Key Inclusion Criteria

- R/R to ≥1 prior systemic therapy for CLL/SLL
- Measurable lymphadenopathy by CT or MRI

Key Exclusion Criteria

- Current or past Richter's transformation
- Prior BTK inhibitor therapy
- Treatment with warfarin or other vitamin K antagonists



Stratification Factors

- Age
- Geographic region
- Refractory status
- Del(17p)/TP53 mutation status

BID, twice daily; BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CT, computed tomography; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; QD, once daily;

16 R, randomized; R/R, relapsed/refractory; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma.

ALPINE:

Primary Endpoint: Improved ORR with Zanubrutinib & PFS as Secondary EP

After a median follow-up of 29.6 months, improved PFS with zanubrutinib intent-to-treat population



CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival; R/R, relapsed/refractory; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma. 1. Brown J et al. ASH 2022. Abstract LBA-6.

ALPINE: Investigator-Assessed PFS in Patients With del(17p) and/or TP53^{mut}



Brown. ASH 2022. Abstr LBA-6. Brown. NEJM. 2022; [Epub].

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ALPINE: Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter



Headline ALPINE and ELEVATE RR data

Parameter	ALPINE	ELEVATE - RR
Median Age	67	66
Median prior lines	1	2
% 17p-	13.8 (Z)	45.1 (A)
% Unmutated IGHV	73.1 (Z)	82.1 (A)
Median f-up (months)	29.6	40.9

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% Discontinuation for AE	Zanubrutinib 15.4	Ibrutinib 22.2	Acalabrutinib 14.7	Ibrutinib 21.3
% All grade hypertension	21.9	19.8	8.6	22.8
% All grade AF	5.2	13.3	9.0	15.6
Number of cardiac deaths	0	6	?	?
Number of Ventricular arrythmias / cardiac arrests	?	?	1	5
% 24 month INV-assessed PFS	78.4	65.9	78.6	69.6

Data from Byrd et al JCO 2021 and Brown et al NEJM 2023

RR CLL – Which BTKi

- Very difficult to choose at present
- All analysis are subject to cross-trial comparison
- Efficacy- Zanubrutinib superior to Ibrutinib in terms of PFS with caveats
- Efficacy- Acalabrutinib similar to ibrutinib
- Toxicity- Cardiac signal less pronounced with Acala and Zanu

RR CLL – Fixed duration Ven/Ritux vs Continuous Ven Final 7-year follow up and retreatment substudy analysis of MURANO: venetoclax-rituximab (VenR)-treated patients with relapsed/refractory chronic lymphocytic leukemia (R/R CLL)

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MURANO (NCT02005471): study design and prior findings

Global, Phase III, open-label, randomized study¹



- Superior PFS and OS was observed with fixed-duration VenR vs BR in patients with R/R CLL¹
- At 48 months of follow up, deep responses with uMRD⁺ were associated with favorable PFS²

*Investigator-assessed PD according to International Workshop on Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (iwCLL) criteria. [†]uMRD is defined as <1 CLL cell/10,000 leukocytes. BR, bendamustine-rituximab; C, cycle; D, day; del(17p), deletion 17p; EOCT, end of combination treatment; EOT, end of treatment; max, maximum; OS, overall survival; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; Rand, randomization; (u)MRD, (undetectable) minimal residual disease.

PFS and OS benefits with VenR over BR were sustained at 7 years



- Median follow up for efficacy (range) was 86.8 months (0.3–99.2) for VenR and 84.4 months (0.0–95.0) for BR
- No new safety signals were identified since the 5-year data cut,¹ with all patients outside of the AE reporting window§

*Stratified HR is presented, unstratified HR=0.25. [†]P-values are descriptive only. [‡]Stratified HR is presented, unstratified HR=0.54. [§]All AEs were reported until 28 days after the last dose of Ven or 90 days after last dose of R, whichever was longer. After this, only deaths, serious AEs, or AEs of concern that were believed to be Ven-related were reported. AE, adverse event; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; NE, not estimable.

uMRD at EOT is associated with improved outcomes in the VenR arm



Achievement of uMRD was associated with prolonged PFS in VenR-treated patients

Low MRD+ is defined as ≥1 CLL cell/10,000 leukocytes to <1 CLL cell/100 leukocytes, high MRD+ is defined as ≥1 CLL cell/100 leukocytes. Stratified HR (95% CI) for Low MRD+ vs High MRD+: PFS, 3.22 (1.04–9.97), P=0.0350; OS, 2.27 (0.44–11.69), P=NS.

*Investigator-assessed PD according to iwCLL criteria. †Stratified HRs and P-values are presented, P-values are descriptive only. NS, not significant.

M-13982 trial- Long term FU for 17p deleted CLL





- 48% of pts were alive, 24% were progression-free, and 16% remained on Ven
- Except SF3B1 mutation, other adverse features (eg, >1 TP53 mutation, NOTCH1 mutations, unmutated IGHV) did not influence outcomes with Ven treatment in this cohort.

Venetoclax monotherapy after BCRi intolerance or progression is effective in R/R CLL

M14-032: PFS with venetoclax after ibrutinib or idelalisib (intolerance or CLL progression; N=127)



BCRi, B-cell receptor pathway inhibitor; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; Est., estimated; NR, not reached; PI3Ki, phosphoinositide 3-kinase inhibitor.

Byrd JC, et al. ASCO 2018. Abstract 7512 (Poster); Coutre S, et al. Blood 2018; **131**:1704–1711; Jones JA, et al. Lancet Oncol 2018; **19**:65–75.

RR CLL – Sequencing

Resistance and Intolerance Limit Outcomes With Covalent BTK Inhibitors in CLL

Ibrutinib Discontinuation Over Four Prospective Studies¹



BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; PLCG2, phospholipase C gamma 2.

Ibrutinib-Acquired Resistance in Patients With Progressive CLL²

1. Woyach JA et al. J Clin Oncol. 2017;35;1437-1443. 2. Lampson BL, Brown JR. Expert Rev Hematol. 2018;11:185-194. 3. Burger JA et al. Leukemia. 2020;34:787-798. 4. Byrd JC et al. N Engl J Med. 2016;374:323-332. 5. Hershkovitz-Rokah O et al. Br J Haematol. 2018;181:306-319. 6. Woyach JA et al. N Engl J Med. 2014;370:2286-2294. 7. Woyach JA et al. Blood. 2019;134(suppl 1):504. 8. Xu L et al. Blood. 2017;129:2519-2525.

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monotherapy3

Byrd JC. et al. A SCO 2018. Abstract 7512 (Poster): Coutre S. et al. Blood 2018: 131:1704–1711:

Improved efficacy observed with venetoclax after BCRi



Safety disclaimer - venetoclax

Overall safety profile of venetoclax is based on several clinical trials. Most common AEs of any grade were neutropenia, diarrhoea, and upper respiratory tract infection.

Safety disclaimer - idelalisib

Overall safety profile of idelalisib is based on several clinical trials. Very common AEs include infections, neutropenia, lymphocytosis, diarrhoea, transaminase increase, rash, pyrexia, and triglyceride increase

BCRi, B-cell receptor pathway inhibitor; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; PI3Ki, phosphoinositide 3-kinase inhibitor; NR, not reached. Mato AR, *et al. Ann Oncol* 2017; **28:**1050–1056 (incl. suppl.).

Efficacy observed with subsequent BTKi following intolerance with ibrutinib and/or acalabrutinib

ACE-CL-208: PFS with acalabrutinib in ibrutinib-intolerant patients with R/R CLL (N=60) (median follow-up: 35 months)¹ BGB-3111-215: ORR to zanubrutinib in ibrutiniband/or acalabrutinib-intolerant patients (N=82)

(median follow-up: 25.2 months)²

ORR 71.1%

	Ibrutinib intolerant (n=57)	Acalabrutinib ± ibrutinib intolerant (n=25)	Total (N=82)
Patients, n (%)			
Remaining on treatment	39 (68.4)	19 (76.0)	58 (70.7)
Remaining on study	46 (80.7)	21 (84.0)	67 (81.7)
Discontinued from treatment	18 (31.6)	6 (24.0)	24 (29.3)
Adverse event	5 (8.8)	2 (8.0)	7 (8.5)
Progressive disease	6 (10.5)	1 (4.0)	7 (8.5)
Withdrawal by patient	3 (5.3)	2 (8.0)	5 (6.1)
Deaths, n (%)	5 (8.8)	1 (4.0)	6 (7.3)
Median BRUKINSA treatment duration (range), months	26.2 (0.6–36.2)	8.1 (0.5–27.9)	23.7 (0.5–36.2)



* Patients with >90-day study duration included.

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PFS (proportion)

BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; ND, not determinable; NE, not evaluable; NR, not reached; PR-L, partial response with lymphocytosis; VGPR, very good partial response.

- 29% (24/82) patients discontinued treatment due to:
- AEs: Myalgia, stomatitis, penile haemorrhage, COVID-19 pneumonia, ALT rise, AIHA, diarrhoea (n=7)
- Progressive disease (n=7)

Other	(n=10)	2. Sha
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1. Rogers KA, et al. Haematologica 2021; **106**:2364–2373; nadman M et al. Poster presented at EHA 2023; abstract number: P683.

Sequential Use of Acalabrutinib or Zanubrutinib in Patients With Ibrutinib Intolerance Is an Effective and Safe Option^{1,2}

			Acalabrutinib Experience for Same Patients, n		Fatigue Hypertension		
AE	NO. OF Patients With Ibrutinib Intolerance ^a	Total	Lower Grade	Same Grade	Higher Grade	Rash Atrial fibrillation Arthralgia Stomatitis	
AF	16 ^b	2	2	0	0	Muscle spasms Haemorrhage Myalgia	• 7 out of 9 patients with a history of atrial fibrillation/flutter did not have a recurrence
Diarrhea	7	5	3	2	0	Headache Constipation	with BRUKINSA Atrial fibrillation occurred in 3 patients (all were grade 2 events:
Rash	7	3	3	0	0	Diarrhoea AST increased	2 had a prior history) • <10% of BRUKINSA patients discontinue
Bleeding ^c	6	5	3	2	0	ALT increased Pain in extremity	treatment due to AEs
Arthralgia	7 ^e	2	1	1	0	Nausea	of intolerance events in o2 patients, the median number of intolerance events per patient was 2 (range: 1–2). ¹ ■ Did not recur ■ Recurred at same grade
Total	41	24	18	6	1	Dizziness	Recurred at a lower grade Recurred at higher grade 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

AE, adverse event; AF, atrial fibrillation.

^a Among 60 patients meeting the study enrollment criteria, 41 patients had a medical history of \geq 1 (43 events in total) of the following categories of ibrutinib-intolerance events: AF, diarrhea, rash, bleeding, or arthralgia. ^b Includes patients with atrial flutter (n = 2). ^c Events categorized as bleeding included ecchymosis, hemorrhage, epistaxis, contusion, hematuria, and subdural hematoma. ^d All but 1 patient experienced a different type of bleeding event with acalabrutinib compared with ibrutinib treatment. ^e Includes 1 patient with arthritis.

1. Rogers KA et al. Haematologica. 2021;106:2364-2373.

2. Shadman M et al. Poster presented at EHA 2023; abstract number: P683.

BTKi therapy after venetoclax is effective in venetoclax-refractory CLL

Retrospective cohort study (N=326): Response rates to subsequent therapy after discontinuing venetoclax¹ p<0.001 PR 100 -1 **ORR: 84%** 80 18 **ORR: 53% ORR: 47%** 17 6 57 27 35 20 10 9 6 0 (* iN... ·** ·17.· N. M. Post venetoclax:



* Ibrutinib or acalabrutinib; [†] Ibrutinib (n=21) or zanubrutinib (n=2). BCRi, B-cell receptor pathway inhibitor; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; PI3Ki, phosphoinositide 3-kinase inhibitor; PR-L, PR with lymphocytosis.

BTKi therapy after fixed-duration venetoclax + anti-CD20 can provide further clinical benefit



* Responses in patients treated with next line of therapy for insufficient time to have response assessed,

or those patients who had no response assessments reported, were considered unevaluable.

B, bendamustine; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; R, rituximab; Ven, venetoclax.

BTKi in pts with venetoclax-resistant CLL



Retrospective, pooled analysis of 23 pts with R/R CLL and PD on venetoclax

Slide courtesy of Dr Munir Lin, Blood 2020

Venetoclax-based therapy after venetoclax + anti-CD20 can provide further clinical benefit



* Median treatment duration: 11.4 (range: 0.7–37.6) months. Responses in patients treated with next line of therapy for insufficient time to have response assessed, or patients who had no response assessments reported were considered unevaluable;
* 28-day cycles, O: 100 mg (IV) D1, 900 mg D2, 1,000 mg D8 and D15 of C1, then 1,000 mg IV D1 C2–6; Ven: 5-week ramp-up (20–400 mg) PO QD D22 of C1, then 400 mg OD C3–12 (Cohort 1) or C3–C24 (Cohort 2).
C, cycle; R, rituximab; Ven, venetoclax.

1. Harrup R, *et al.* ASH 2020. Abstract 3139 (Poster); 2. Thompson MC, *et al.* ASH 2020. Abstract 3136 (Poster); 3. Thompson, Blood Advances, 2022.

ORR to Ven2

MURANO retreatment/crossover substudy



- Out of the 34 patients with PD who entered the substudy, 25 were retreated with VenR
 - Median time (range) from the final study drug dose in the main study to VenR retreatment in the substudy was 2.3 years (1.2–3.1)

VenR retreatment resulted in high response rates, which translated to meaningful PFS amongst retreated patients

- Amongst VenR-retreated patients, median follow up (range) was 33.4 months (2.7–44.0)
 - Median PFS (95% CI) was 23.3 months (15.6–24.3)
 - Best ORR was high at 72.0%; CR rate was 24%
 - Median OS was not reached

Response rates indicate that VenR retreatment is a viable option for pretreated patients

PFS for VenR-retreated patients in the substudy



PI3Ki in Post BTKi and Venetoclax patients¹

2nd generation PI3Ki Umbralisib in BTKi/PI3Ki intolerance²



USE OF PI3KI AFTER OTHER TARGETED DRUGS IS LIMITED AND LONG TERM CONTROL OF DISEASE IS POOR

1. Mato et al. Clin Cancer Res. 2020; 26(14): 3589–3596. 2. Mato et al Blood. 2020 Dec 1:blood.2020007376.

Umbralisib is not EMA-approved for the treatment of CLL.

Safety disclaimer

Most common (\geq 5%) grade \geq 3 AEs on umbralisib (all causality) were neutropenia (18%), leukocytosis (14%), thrombocytopenia (12%), pneumonia (12%), and diarrhea (8%). Six patients (12%) discontinued umbralisib because of an AE²



How to treat and when: 63-years-old male now



RR CLL – Could we do better?? MRD directed duration of therapy



<u>Duration of VEN therapy</u>: 3 consecutive MRD4 (<0.01% CLL) in PB confirmed in BM: MRD <0.01% at M8 → stop I+V at M14; MRD <0.01% at M14 → stop I+V at M26 MRD negative (<0.01%) at M26 → stop I+V at M26, if MRD positive (≥0.01%) continue IBR till PD <u>Amendment</u>: if MRD positive (≥0.01%) at M26, Additional Ven for 12 months.



Progression Free and Overall Survival (n=50)



Median PFS and OS not reached by 60 months



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Munir et al. ASH 2022; Abst 91

IMPROVE- Minimal residual disease-driven treatment intensification with

sequential addition of ibrutinib to venetoclax in R/R CLL¹



1. Scarfo et al. Blood 2022; 140 (22): 2348–2357.



Primary analysis, when the last patient reached 27 months, showed a favorable benefit-risk profile of MRD based cessation and reinduction:

- Primary endpoint was reached: PFS at 12 months post stopping therapy in arm $B = 98\%^{1}$

1. Kater, Lancet Oncol 2022

72 patients (32%) achieved uMRD and at least PR after 1 year of I + V combination

MRD responses from randomization + 3 years (Month 51)

100 36 (31%) = 8 13 Over 3 years after start 22 22 29 30 Non randomized 3 deaths ъ75 Percentage (Spatients 19 toxicities (16%) of observation: (N=116) 20 29 56 2 progression 68 19/48 (40%) patients had 49 2 refusal 57 31 10 other reasons 8 MRD conversion _3 - 3 24 19 (≥MRD2) and reinitiated 0 PB ΡВ PB В PΒ В 100 Month 27 Cycle 15 Month 50 treatment. Month 39 Arm A: uMRD 13 (54%) = Percentage of 33 Median time to MRD randomized to 1 death 63 67 71 continued 4 6 toxicities (25%) conversion = 100 100 1 progression ibrutinib (N=24) 2 refusal 54 24 months after start of 17 3 other reasons 13 13 8 88 observation (range 6-35) 13 13 8 0 PB PB PΒ PB В В MRD relapsed patients Arm B: uMRD 100 Cycle 1 M Month 2 Month 39 Month 51 21 Percentage of 5 pattents randomized to enriched for: 38 pattents 52 13 observation 8 (17%) = 69 **TP53** abberations (N=48) 2 deaths 100 100 25 40 1 toxicity (2%) genomic complexity (Undetectable MRD <10⁻⁴ 1 progression 35 Low MRD $\ge 10^{-4} < 10^{-2}$ 2 25 23 17 4 other reasons \geq 3 aberrations) 2 High MRD $\geq 10^{-2}$ ₂ 2 2 10 0 Reinitiated patients ΡВ PΒ PΒ PB Off protocol patients Cycle 154 Month 27 Month 51 Month 39 Data cut off January 2023 Not available

Off protocol patients and reason:

PFS

Time to Next Treament



Poor outcomes in patients with double class-resistant CLL



Pirtobrutinib

BRUIN-CLL

- Phase 1/2, open-label, pirtobrutinib monotherapy, N=170
- Median 3 prior therapies
- 25% del17p, 30% TP53mut, 88% unmutated IGHV

Progression-free survival in covalent BTKi pre-treated CLL/SLL



		BTKi pre- treated CLL/SLL, n	Response Evaluable Cohort, n	ORR, % (95% CI)	Median PFS, months (95% CI)	Estimated 12-month PFS rate, % (95% CI)	Estimated 18-month PFS rate, % (95% CI)
Overa	all	276	273	74 (68-79)	19.4 (16.6-22.3)	68 (62-74)	54 (46-61)
	≥75	57	56	71 (58-83)	20.1 (15.7- NE)	78 (63-87)	62 (44-75)
Age	<75	219	217	74 (68-80)	18.7 (16.6- NE)	66 (58-73)	52 (43-60)
At least prior	Yes	122	119	73 (64-81)	14.1 (11.1-18.7)	58 (47-68)	42 (29-55)
BTKi and BCL2i	No	154	154	74 (66-81)	22.1 (18.4-NE)	75 (67-82)	62 (52-70)
Del(17p) and/or TP53 mutation	Yes	99	98	80 (70-87)	16.6 (13.8-22.1)	69 (58-78)	47 (33-59)
	No	107	107	67 (58-76)	19.4 (14.1-NE)	66 (55-75)	58 (46-68)
BTK C481	Mutated	85	85	81 (71-89)	17.0 (13.8-20.3)	69 (57-79)	49 (35-61)
status*	Unmutated	91	91	65 (54-75)	20.3 (13.8-NE)	63 (52-73)	54 (40-65)
Reason for Prior	Disease progression	206	205	73 (66-79)	18.6 (13.9-20.3)	66 (58-73)	50 (41-59)
discontinuation	Intolerance & Other	68	66	76 (64-85)	NE (18.4-NE)	77 (64-86)	67 (51-79)

*Pts with available mutation data who progressed on any prior covalent BTKi, excluding those who were covalent BTKi intolerant.

Del(17p)- deletion 17p; PFS- median progression-free survival; DOR- median duration of response; CI- confidence interval; ORR- overall response rate; N- number of patients; n- number of response evaluable patients in sample; NE- not evaluable

- ORR 74% (n=232): 1% CR, 64% PR, 8% PR with lymphocytosis
- 20% Grade 3/4 neutropenia, hypertension (3%) and hemorrhage (2%), 1% afib

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Nemtabrutinib

• BELLWAVE-001

- Phase 1/2, open-label
- Cohort A: R/R CLL/SLL with ≥2 prior therapies, including a covalent BTKi, with a C481 mutation
- Cohort B: R/R CLL/SLL with ≥2 prior therapies, intolerant to a BTKi, without a C481 mutation
- Median of 4 prior therapies
- 63% C481S mutation; 65% TP53 mutation or del(17p); and 47% IGHV mutation
- Among all patients with B-cell malignancies treated with twice daily 65 mg nemtabrutinib,
- 73% had any-grade treatment-related AEs
 - Grade 3 or 4 AEs occurred in 45 pts (40%); 17% neutrophil count decreased
 - The most common AEs of special interest: hypertension (30%) and arthralgia (20%)

Pts with CLL/SLL treated with nemtabrutinib 65 mg QD n = 57						
	Cohort A	Cohort B	CLL/SLL with prior BTK and BCL2 inhibitors	C481S-mutated BTK	del(17p)	IGHV-unmutated
n (%)	25 (44)	10 (18)	24 (42)	36 (63)	19 (33)	30 (53)
ORR (95% CI), %	60 (39-79)	40 (12-74)	58 (37-78)	58 (41-75)	53 (29-76)	50 (31-69)
Objective response, n (%) CR PR PR with residual lymphocytosis	0 (0) 5 (20) 10 (40)	1 (10) 2 (20) 1 (10)	0 (0) 6 (25) 8 (33)	1 (3) 11 (31) 9 (25)	1 (5) 2 (11) 7 (37)	0 8 (27) 7 (23)
Median duration of response, months, 95% CI	13.9 5.5-NE	NE NE-NE	8.5 2.7-NE	24.4 8.8-NE	11.2 5.7-NE	24.4 8.5-NE
Median PFS, months, 95% CI	15.7 7.6-NE	NE 0.1-NE	10.1 7.4-15.9	26.3 10.1-NE	10.1 4.6-NE	15.9 7.4-NE
NE, not estimable.	I			I	I	L

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BTK mutations on Non-Covalent BTKi inhibitor are BTK non-C481 mutations



- The most common mutations at baseline were in BTK (51%), TP53 (49%), ATM (27%), NOTCH1 (20%), SF3B1 (18%), and PLCG2 (10%)
- A total of 31 BTK mutations in 25 patients were detected at baseline: C481S (n=23), C481R (n=4), C481Y (n=2), C481F (n=1), T474I (n=1)
- Pirtobrutinib efficacy was observed regardless of type of prior cBTKi and baseline BTK mutational status
- ORR for the resistant population (N=49) was 80% (95%CI 66-90%)

Majority of BTK Acquired Mutations were BTK T474, L528



- Decrease/clearance of C481 clones observed at progression on pirtobrutinib in 92% (22/24) patients^a
- BTK C481R/S/Y, T474, L528, other kinase mutations arose at/near progression (n=27 patients^b)
- ORR were similar across groups regardless of the acquired BTK mutation



patient

- 9/37 (24%) acquired non-C481 BTK mutations at PD (median VAF at PD: 40% [range, 9-84]) pre-existed at baseline at low VAFs (1-3%)^o
- These patients had similar responses to pirtobrutinib (6/8, 75% ORR [95%CI, 35-97], median time on pirtobrutinib of 11.2 months (range (3.9-14.5m)) and included patients that received prior ibrutinib (n=4), acalabrutinib (n=3), and ibrutinib + acalabrutinib (n=1)

Acquired Resistance to Pirtobrutinib Mostly Converged Around On-target *BTK* Mutations (Non-C481)



TRANSCEND CLL 004: Study Design

Multicenter, open-label phase I/II trial



*Ineligibility defined as need for full-dose anticoagulation or arrhythmia history; failure defined as best response of SD/PD, PD after response, or d/c due to unmanageable toxicity. [†]High-risk disease defined as complex cytogenetic abnormalities, del(17p), *TP53* mutation, or unmutated *IGHV*. [‡]Liso-cel manufacturing was not successful for 1 patient.

- Primary endpoint: CR/CRi per iwCLL 2018 (IRC)
- Key secondary endpoints: ORR, uMRD rate

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TRANSCEND CLL 004: Efficacy

Outcome	Full Study Population at DL2 (n = 87)	BTKi Progression/Venetoclax Failure Subset at DL2 (n = 49)
IRC-assessed CR/CRi rate, % (95% CI)* (primary endpoint)	18 (11-28)	18 (9-32; 1-sided <i>P</i> = .0006)
IRC-assessed ORR, % (95% CI)	47 (36-58)	43 (29-58; 1-sided P = .3931)
uMRD rate in blood, % (95% CI)	64 (53-74)	63 (48-77)
 Best overall response, n (%) CR/CRi PR/nPR SD PD Not evaluable 	16 (18) 25 (29) 34 (39) 6 (7) 6 (7)	9 (18) 12 (24) 21 (43) 4 (8) 3 (6)
Median time to first response, mo (range)	1.5 (0.8-17.4)	1.2 (0.8-17.4)
Median time to first CR/CRi, mo (range)	4.4 (1.1-17.9)	3.0 (1.1-6.1)
uMRD rate in marrow, % (95% CI) (exploratory endpoint)	59 (48-69)	59 (44-73)

*By iwCLL 2018 criteria.

• All MRD-evaluable responders were uMRD in blood and BM; n = 12/20 MRD-evaluable patients with SD had uMRD in blood

TRANSCEND CLL 004: PFS by Best Overall Response

Full Study Population at DL2 (n = 87)



Primary Efficacy Analysis Set

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TRANSCEND CLL 004: OS by Best Overall Response

Full Study Population at DL2 (n = 87)



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TRANSCEND CLL 004: TEAEs of Special Interest

TEAEs of Special Interest, n (%)	Full Study Population (n = 117)
 Any-grade CRS Grade 1/2 Grade 3 Grade 4/5 Median time to first onset/resolution, d (range) 	99 (85) 43 (37)/46 (39) 10 (9) 0 4.0 (1-18)/6.0 (2-37)
 Any-grade neurologic event* Grade 1/2 Grade 3 Grade 4 Grade 5 Median time to first onset/resolution, d (range) 	53 (45) 13 (11)/18 (15) 21 (18) 1 (1) 0 7.0 (1-21)/7.0 (1-83)

*Neurologic events defined by investigator.

TEAEs of Special Interest, n (%)	Full Study Population (n = 117)
Other AEs Prolonged cytopenia Grade ≥3 infections Hypogammaglobulinemi a Tumor lysis syndrome Second primary malignancy Macrophage activation syndrome 	63 (54) 20 (17) 18 (15) 13 (11) 11 (9) 4 (3)
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anemia (52%), and thrombocytopenia (41%)

- 5 deaths due to TEAEs: 4 considered unrelated, 1 related (macrophage activation syndrome) to study treatment
- Tocilizumab and/or corticosteroids administered in n = 81 (69%) for management of CRS and/or neurologic event

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HCT-CI (≥1 vs 0)	3.3	1.1-9.9	.035	64
Donor (related vs unrelated)	2.2	0.94-5.2	.07	64

Safety disclaimer

Prior NAs do not appear to impact the safety of alloHCT, and survival outcomes are similar regardless of number of NAs received, prior chemoimmunotherapy exposure, or NA immediately preceding alloHCT.

Adapted from Roeker et al, Blood Adv, 2020



Case 2: How to treat and when: 63-years-old male now



R/R CLL treatment algorithm- 2023 (Munir's opinion)



Earlier stage,

Future directions and trial

- Phase 3 trials- LOXO 20022 (VEN+R vs VEN+R+Pirto) Early phase trials:
- BTK degraders (NURIX 2127/5948, BGB-16673)
- PKC-Beta inhibitor
- Bispecific antibodies (EPCORE)
- CDK9 inhibitors
- MALT-1 inhibitor

Conclusions

- CLL care has transformed over the last decade with the advent of novel agents allowing
 - Avoidance of traditional CIT toxicities
 - In some case better clinical responses
 - Potentially less drive to develop resistance mutations related to DNA damage
- Sequencing of the multitude of available therapeutic options remains indeterminant in many instances and must be individualised to
 - Patient preferences
 - Patient comorbidities
 - Features of the CLL itself disease bulk, high-risk genetic features
 - ? MRD status
- Addressing these questions will help prevent development of double class resistant disease and ultimately improve the lives of our patients

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