



# L'approccio terapeutico ai linfomi primitivi del SNC

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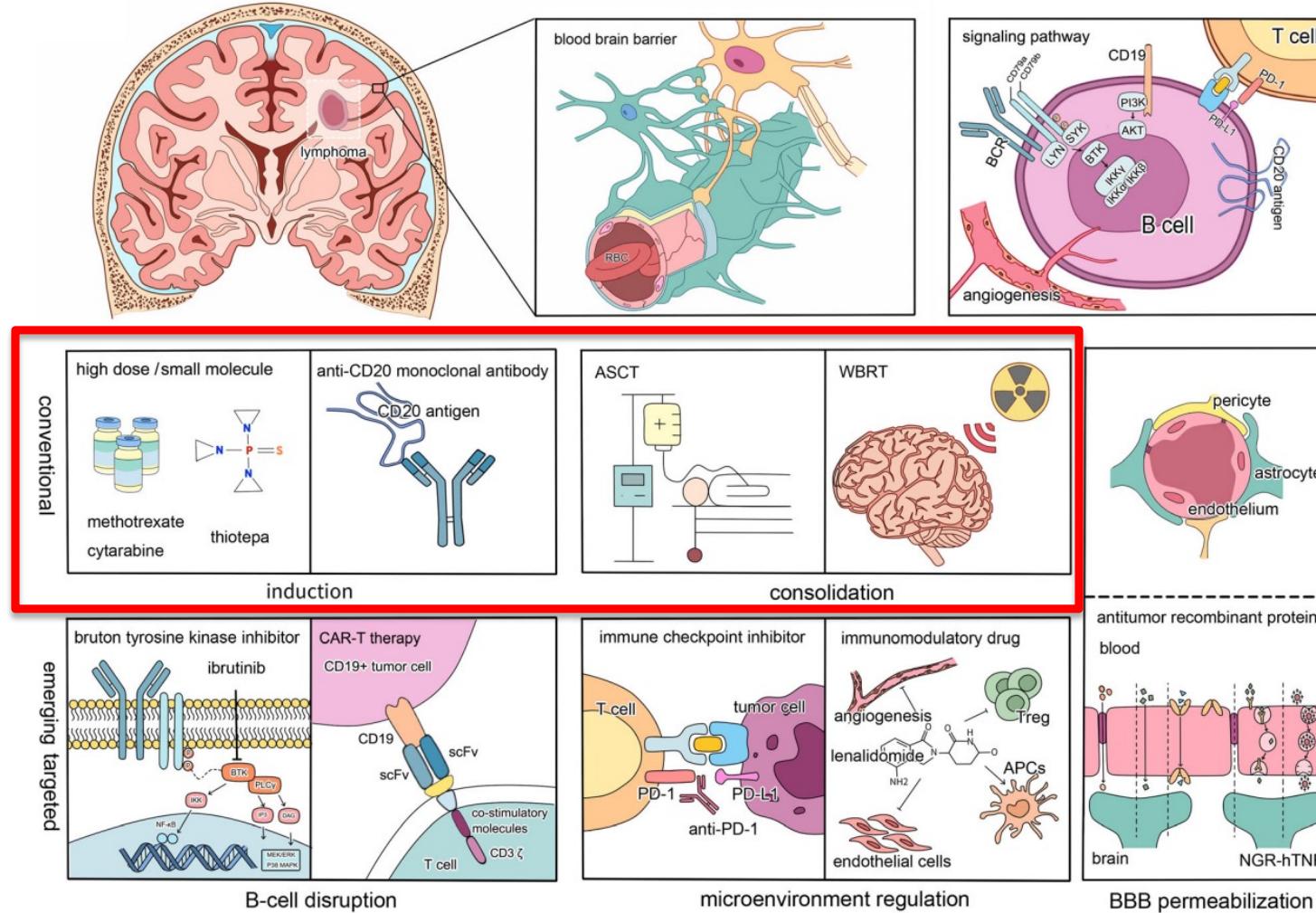
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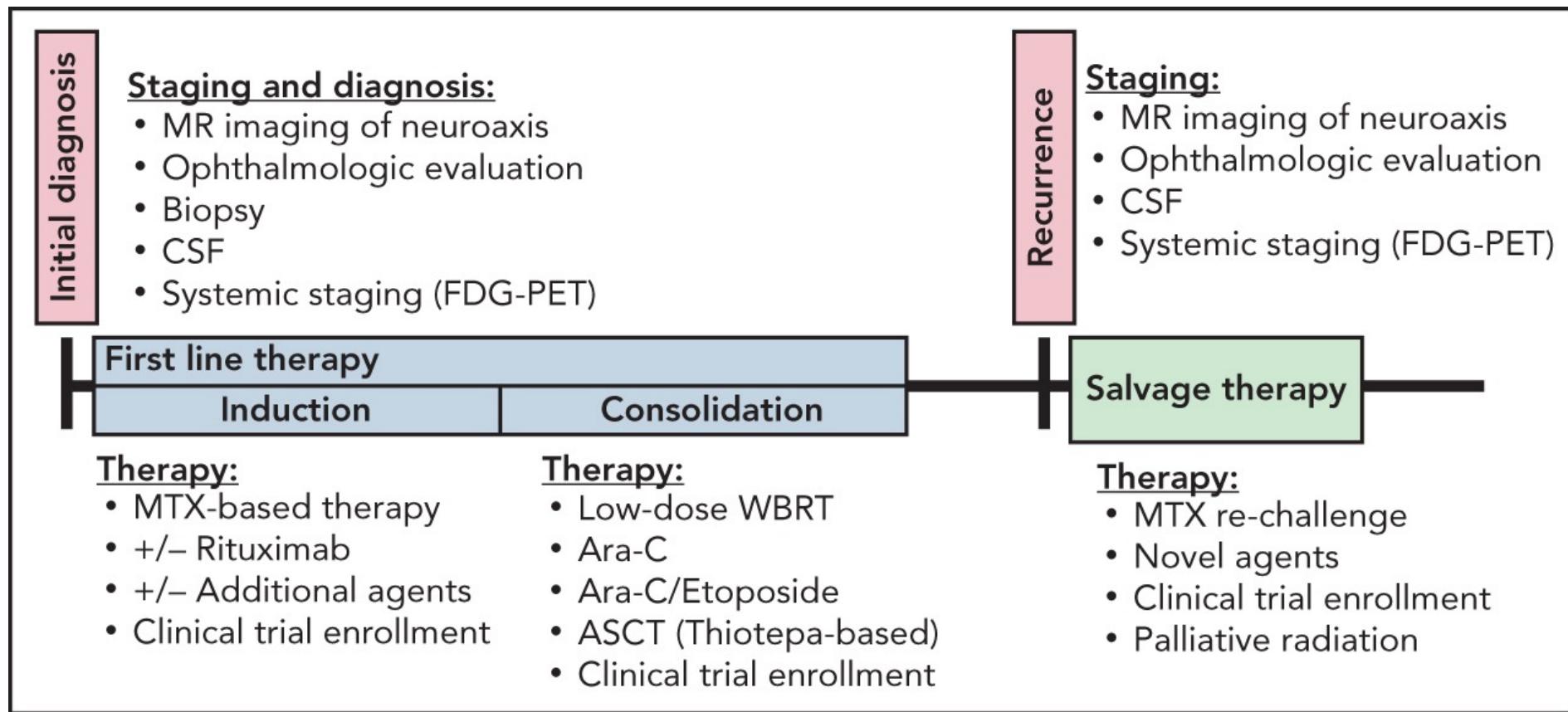
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## Percorso di trattamento del linfoma primitivo del sistema nervoso centrale

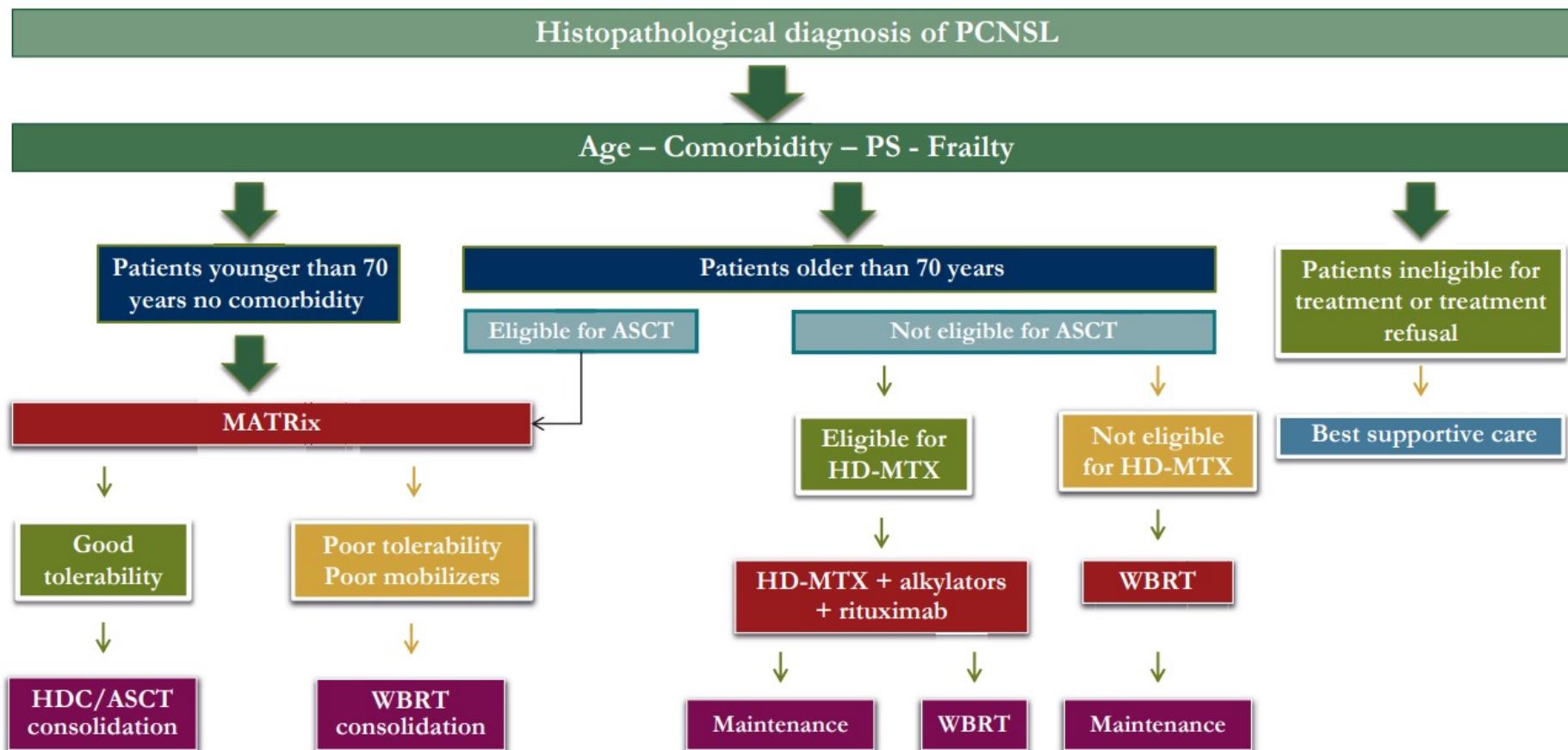


## Farmaci antiblastici e barriera emato-encefalica

	Preferred regimens	Agent <sup>a</sup>	MW (Da)	Route	Protein binding (%)	CSF (brain)/blood (%)
Induction	R+MTX(8)	MTX(M)	454	iv	46.5-54	2-20
	R+MTX(8)+ TMZ	rituximab(R)	143857	iv	NA	0.1
	R+M(3.5)VP(+WBRT in con.)	temozolamide (TMZ)	194	oral	15	20-30
	R+MTX(3.5)+TMZ(+WBRT in con.)	procarbazine(P)	221	oral	NA	NA
		vincristine(V)	824	iv	75	undetected
Consolidation	ASCT with condition regimen	thiotepa(T)	189	iv	NA	95-100
	BCNU+T	carmustine (BCNU)	214	iv	80	20-30
	TBC	Busulfan(B)	246	iv	32	95
	HD-AraC(±VP16)	cyclophosphamide(C)	261	iv	20	50
		etoposide (VP16)	589	iv	97	0.5-5
		cytarabine (AraC)	243	iv	13	6-22
Refractory/ Relapse	Retreat with HD-MTX	ibrutinib	440	oral	irreversible	1-20(28.7 <sup>c</sup> )
	±R	lenalidomide	259	oral	30	11 <sup>p</sup> -20
	+R+ibrutinib	topotecan	421	iv/oral	35	13-68
	Ibrutinib	cisplatin	300	iv	90	50
	TMZ	pemetrexed	427	iv	81	<5
	Lenalidomide or others	pomalidomide	273	oral	12-44	17-19

Abbreviations: <sup>a</sup> associated conditions collected from the public data sources of drugbank (<https://www.drugbank.ca/drugs>); <sup>c</sup> corrected for protein binding; <sup>con</sup> consolidation; CSF cerebrospinal fluid; <sup>iv</sup> intravenous; MTX methotrexate (g/m<sup>2</sup>); MW molecular weight; NA not available; NCCN national comprehensive cancer network; <sup>p</sup> nonhuman primates

## Come operare la scelta terapeutica



## *Studi randomizzati per induzione e consolidamento*

	Year	N	Age (y)	Regimens (Arms)	Outcome		
					ORR/CR	PFS	OS
Induction	<b>2000</b>	53	NA	WBRT(40)	WBRT(40)+CHOP	18% vs 46%	NA
	<b>2009</b>	79	18-70	MTX(3.5)	MTX(3.5)+AraC(2)	40% vs 69%	NA
	<b>2015</b>	95	≥60	MTX(3.5)+TMZ(150)	MTX(3.5)+Pro(100) +V(1.4) +AraC(3)	71% vs 82%	6.1m vs 9.5m
	<b>2016</b>	219	18-70	MTX(3.5)+AraC(2)	MTX(3.5)+AraC(2)+R(375)	53% vs 74% vs 87% +R(375) +T(30) (MATRix)	42% vs 56% vs 69%
	<b>2018</b>	49	14-69	MTX(3.5)+ AraC(1.0)	F(100)+Ten(60)+DXM(40)	40% vs 33%	NA
	<b>2019</b>	199	18-70	MTX(3.0) +BCNU(100) +Ten(100) +Pred(60)	R(375, weekly)+MTX(3.0) +BCNU(100) +Ten(100) +Pred(60)	86% vs 86%	(≤60 y) 26.3m vs 59.9m >60 y) 19.6m vs 14.6m (≤60 y) 56.7m vs not reached >60 y) 49.2m vs 34.9m
Consolidation	<b>2010</b>	318	55-69	w/w	WBRT(45)	NA	11.9m vs 18.3m
	<b>2017</b>	118	18-70	WBRT	ASCT	95% vs 93%	NA
	<b>2017</b>	318	55-69	w/w	WBRT(45)	Reduced QoL and lower value of MMSE in WBRT arm	
	<b>2019</b>	140	18-60	WBRT	ASCT	NA	63% vs 87% Cognitive impairment after WBRT

*Abbreviations: A cytarabine (g/m<sup>2</sup>); BCNU carmustine (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); CHOP cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone; CR complete remission; DXM dexamethasone (mg); EFS event-free survival; I ifosfamide (g/m<sup>2</sup>); F fotemustine (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); M methotrexate (g/m<sup>2</sup>); MMSE Mini Mental State Examinations; NA not available; NCR no complete remission; ND newly diagnosed; ORR overall response rate; OS overall survival; PCNSL primary central nervous system lymphoma; PFS progression-free survival; PR partial remission; Pred prednisone (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); Pro procarbazine (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); QoL quality of life; R rituximab (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); T thiotepa (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); Ten teniposide (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); TMZ temozolomide (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); WBRT/RT whole brain radiotherapy (Gy); w/w wait and watch; V vincristine (mg/m<sup>2</sup>); VP16 etoposide (mg/m<sup>2</sup>)*

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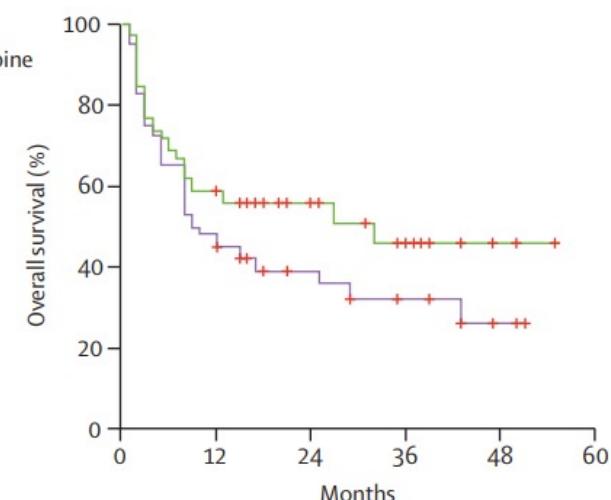
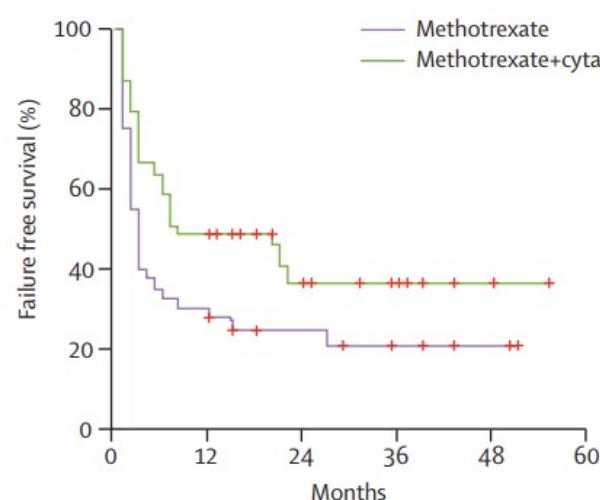
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	Methotrexate (n=40)	Methotrexate+cytarabine (n=39)	p value
Toxic deaths	1 (3%)	3 (8%)	0.35
Neutropenia	6 (15%)	35 (90%)	0.00001
Thrombocytopenia	3 (8%)	36 (92%)	0.00001
Anaemia	4 (10%)	18 (46%)	0.00001
Infective complications	1 (3%)	9 (23%)	0.0002
Hepatotoxicity	1 (3%)	4 (10%)	0.05
Nephrotoxicity	2 (5%)	1 (3%)	0.31
GI/mucositis	2 (5%)	1 (3%)	0.31
Cardiotoxicity	1 (3%)	1 (3%)	0.87
Neurotoxicity	0	1 (3%)	0.29
Coagulation/DVT	4 (10%)	1 (3%)	0.002

The worst toxicity per organ, per patient was considered for analyses. GI=gastrointestinal. DVT=deep venous thrombosis.

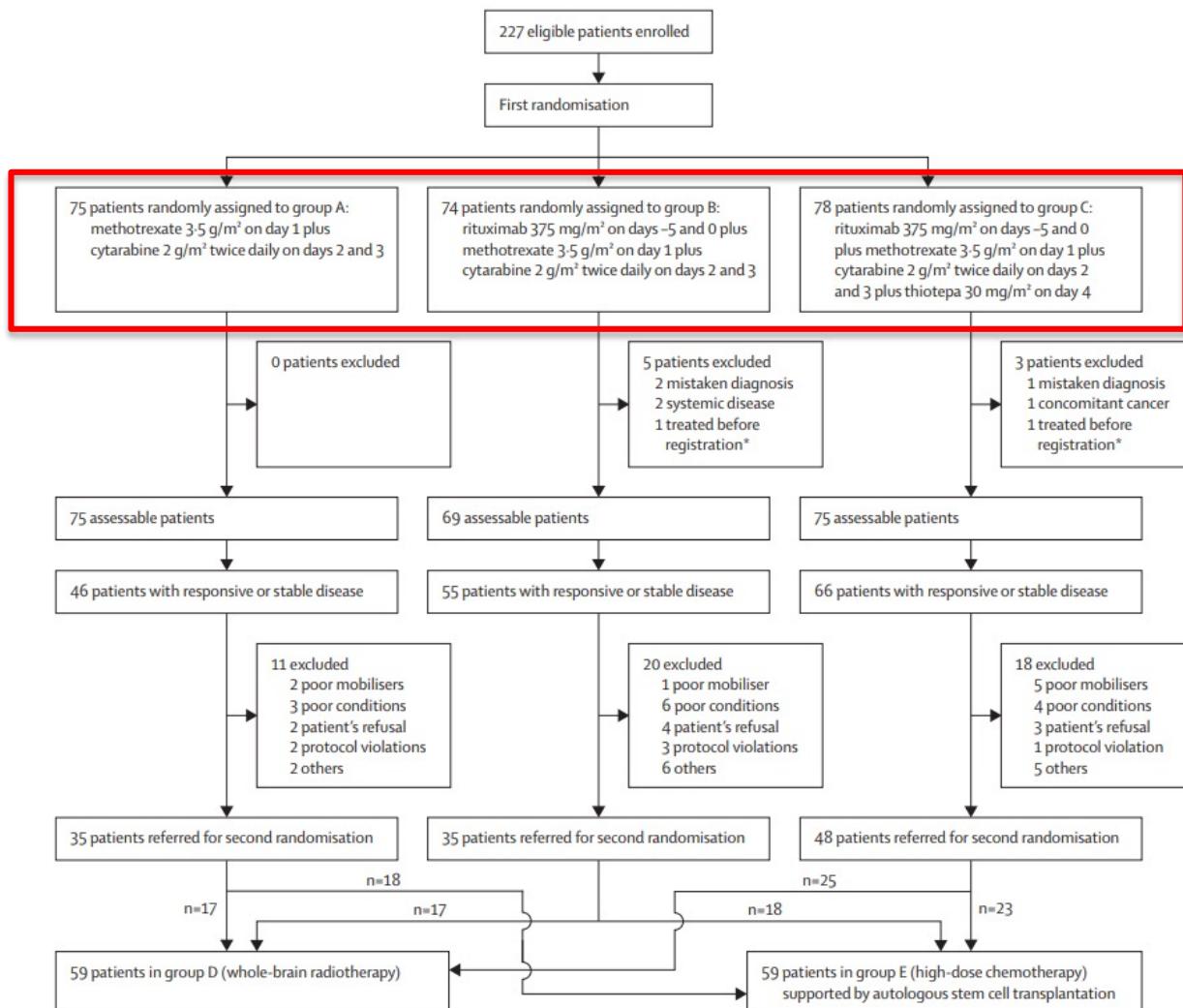
	Methotrexate (n=40)	Methotrexate+cytarabine (n=39)	p value
Complete remission	7 (18%)	18 (46%)	0.006
Partial response	9 (23%)	9 (23%)	..
Overall response	16 (40%)	27 (69%)	0.009
Stable disease	1 (3%)	2 (5%)	..
Progressive disease	22 (55%)	7 (18%)	..
Toxic deaths	1 (3%)	3 (8%)	0.35
CRR/IELSG score			
Low risk	5/12 (42%)	5/10 (50%)	..
Intermediate risk	2/24 (8%)	11/24 (46%)	..
High risk	0/4 (0%)	2/5 (40%)	..
ORR/IELSG score			
Low risk	8/12 (67%)	10/10 (100%)	..
Intermediate risk	7/24 (29%)	15/24 (63%)	..
High risk	1/4 (25%)	2/5 (40%)	..
3-year FFS (SE)			
Low risk	33% (13)	70% (14)	..
Intermediate risk	14% (8)	32% (11)	..
High risk	11% (10)	20% (17)	..

## High-dose cytarabine plus high-dose methotrexate versus high-dose methotrexate alone in patients with primary CNS lymphoma: a randomised phase 2 trial



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**Chemoimmunotherapy with methotrexate, cytarabine, thiotapec, and rituximab (MATRix regimen) in patients with primary CNS lymphoma: results of the first randomisation of the International Extranodal Lymphoma Study Group-32 (IELSG32) phase 2 trial**

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**Braccio B:** rituximab + metotrexato + citarabina

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	Methotrexate-cytarabine (group A; n=75)	Methotrexate-cytarabine plus rituximab (group B; n=69)	Methotrexate-cytarabine plus rituximab and thiotapec (group C; n=75)	HR (95% CI) for group A vs group B	p value	HR (95% CI) for group A vs group C	p value	HR (95% CI) for group B vs group C	p value
Complete remission	17 (23%; 95% CI 14-31)	21 (30%; 95% CI 21-42)	37 (49%; 95% CI 38-60)	0.74 (0.43-1.29)	0.29	0.46 (0.28-0.74)	0.0007	0.61 (0.40-0.94)	0.020
Partial response	23 (31%)	30 (43%)	28 (37%)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Overall response*	40 (53%; 95% CI 42-64)	51 (74%; 95% CI 64-84)	65 (87%; 95% CI 80-94)	0.69 (0.54-0.88)	0.010	0.61 (0.49-0.77)	0.00001	0.89 (0.76-1.03)	0.053
Stable disease	6 (8%)	4 (6%)	1 (1%)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Progressive disease	22 (29%)	11 (16%)	6 (8%)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Deaths due to toxicity	7 (9%)	3 (4%)	3 (4%)	..	..	..	..	..	..

HR=hazard ratio. \*Overall response=complete response and partial response.

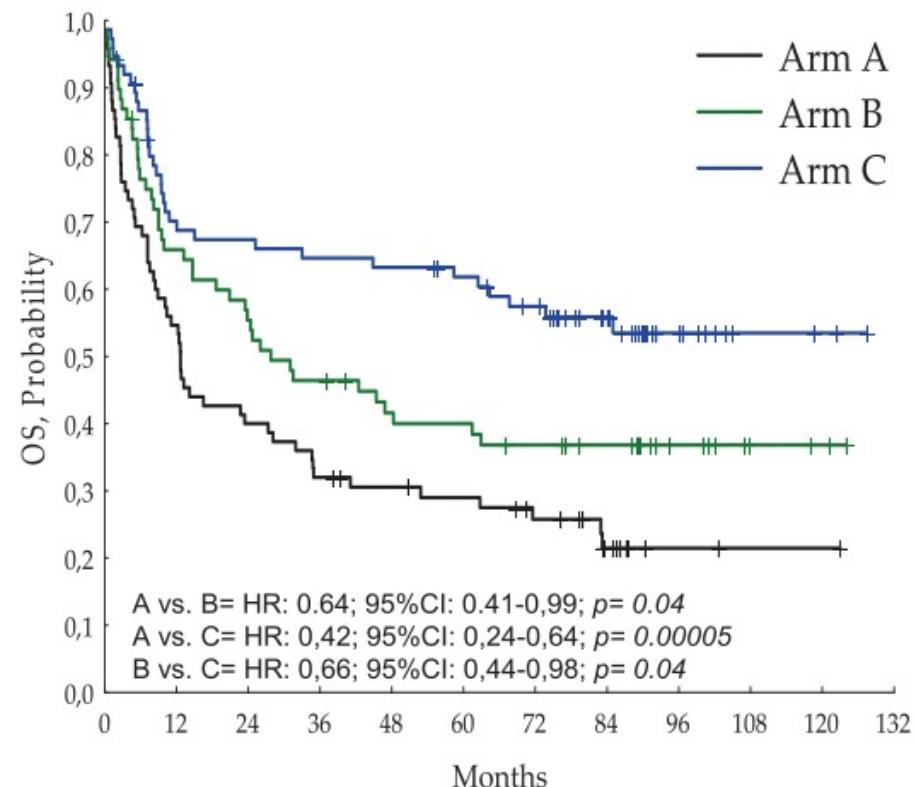
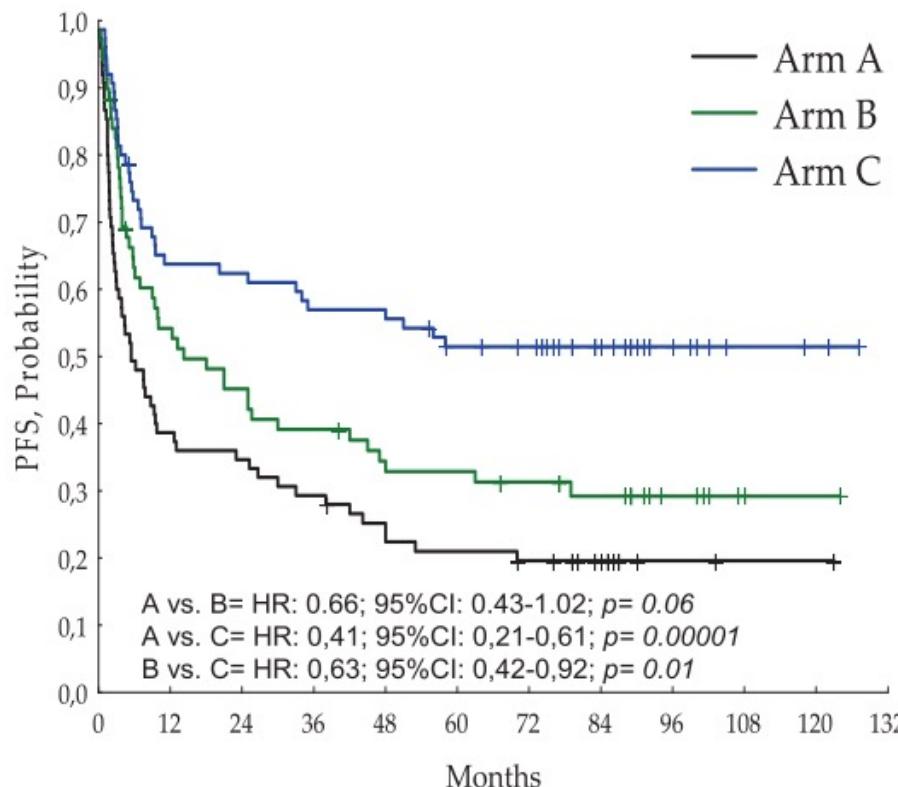
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	Total	Arm A (n = 75)	Arm B (n = 69)	Arm C (n = 75)	WBRT (n = 70)	ASCT (n = 60)	Others (n = 74)
Toxic deaths (1st line)	15	7 (9%)	3 (4%)	3 (4%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	-
Progressive disease	66	26 (35%)	18 (26%)	13 (17%)	4 (4%)	2 (2%)	3 (4%)
Relapse after response	51	19 (25%)	17 (25%)	15 (20%)	22 (31%)	19 (32%)	10 (14%)
Salvage therapy	75	30 (40%)	22 (32%)	23 (31%)	15 (21%)	18 (30%)	42 (57%)
Second tumors	8	1/38 (3%)	2/47 (4%)	5/59 (8%)	5/67 (7%)	3 (5%)	0 (0%)
Deaths during/after salvage	7	4 (13%)	0 (0%)	3 (13%)	2 (13%)	2 (11%)	3 (4%)
Deaths of lymphoma	96	43 (57%)	32 (46%)	21 (28%)	19 (27%)	16 (27%)	61 (82%)
Deaths in relapse-free patients	14	2/17 (12%)	6/28 (21%)	6/42 (14%)	9/44 (20%)	3/37 (8%)	2/6 (33%)

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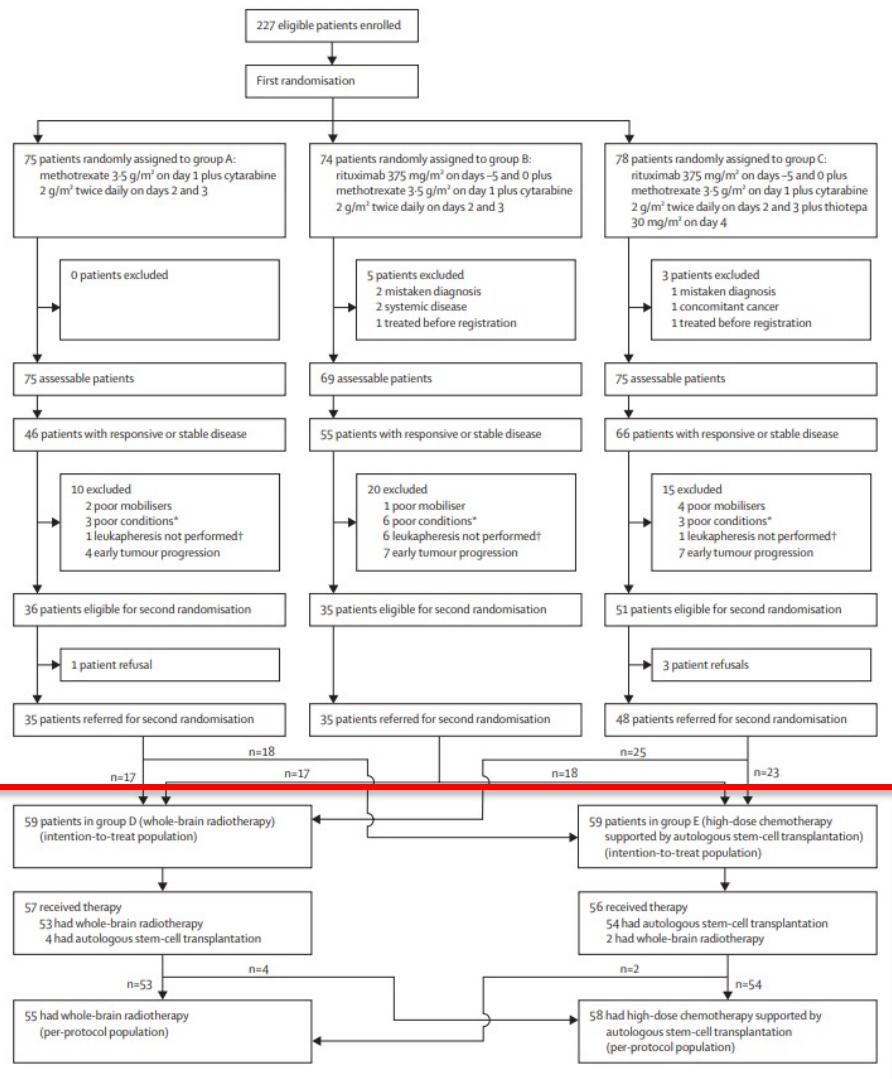


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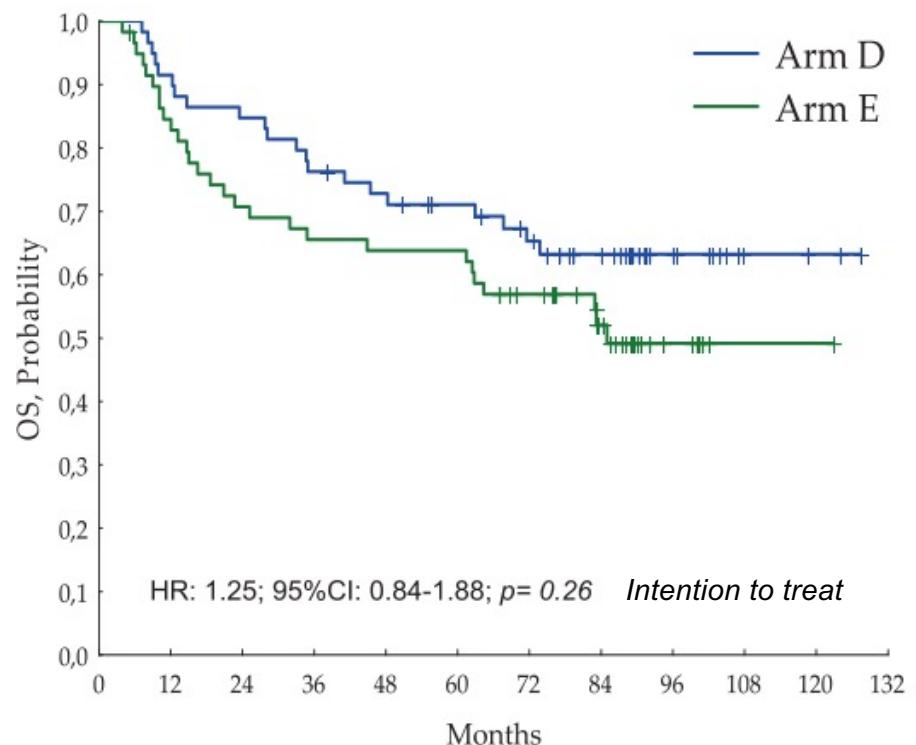
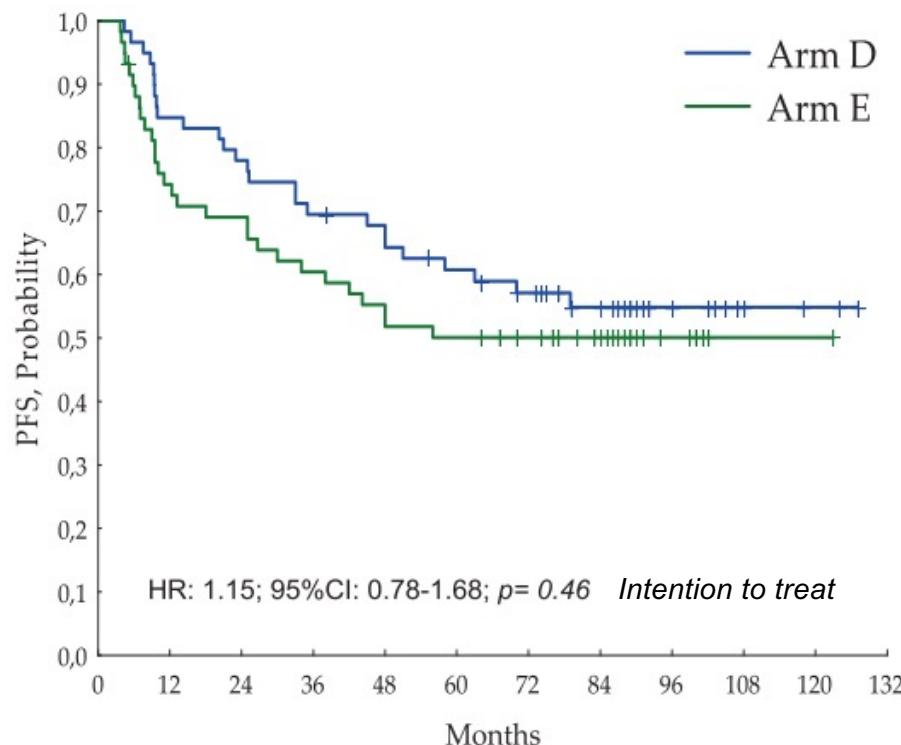


**Whole-brain radiotherapy or autologous stem-cell transplantation as consolidation strategies after high-dose methotrexate-based chemoimmunotherapy in patients with primary CNS lymphoma: results of the second randomisation of the International Extranodal Lymphoma Study Group-32 phase 2 trial**

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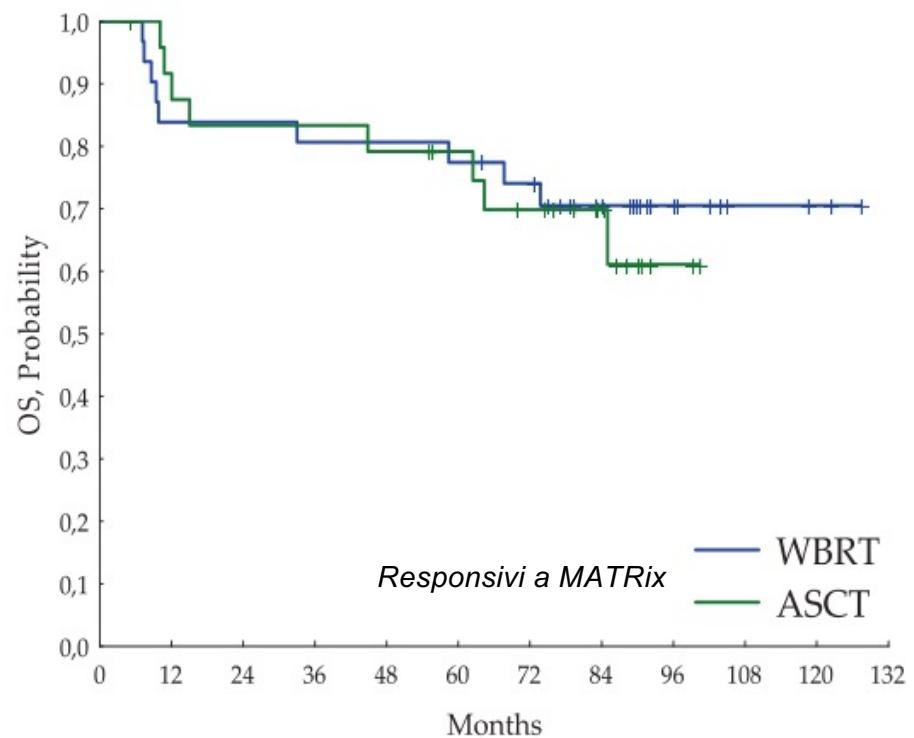
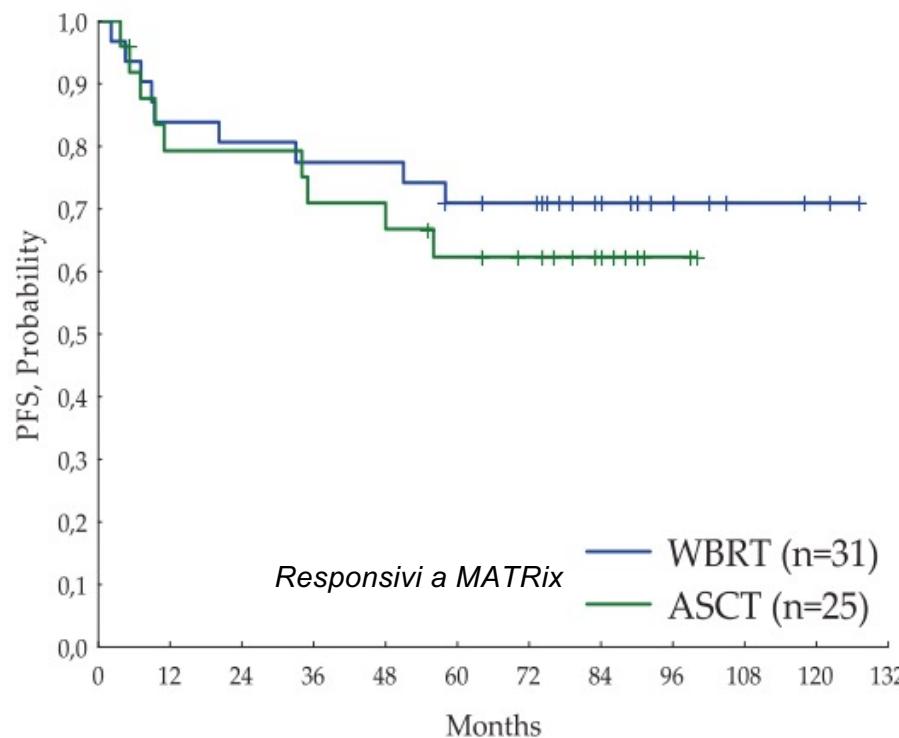


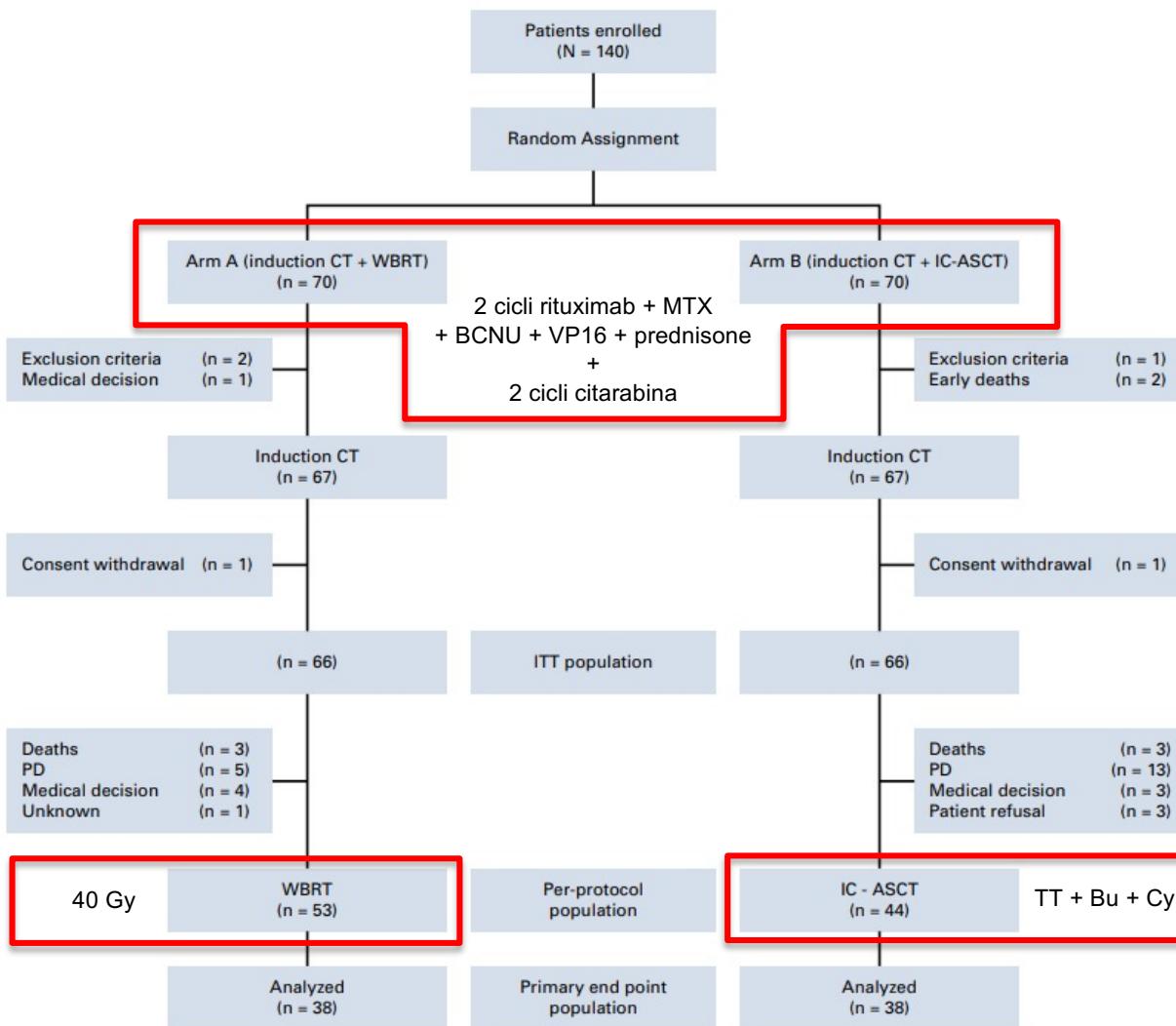
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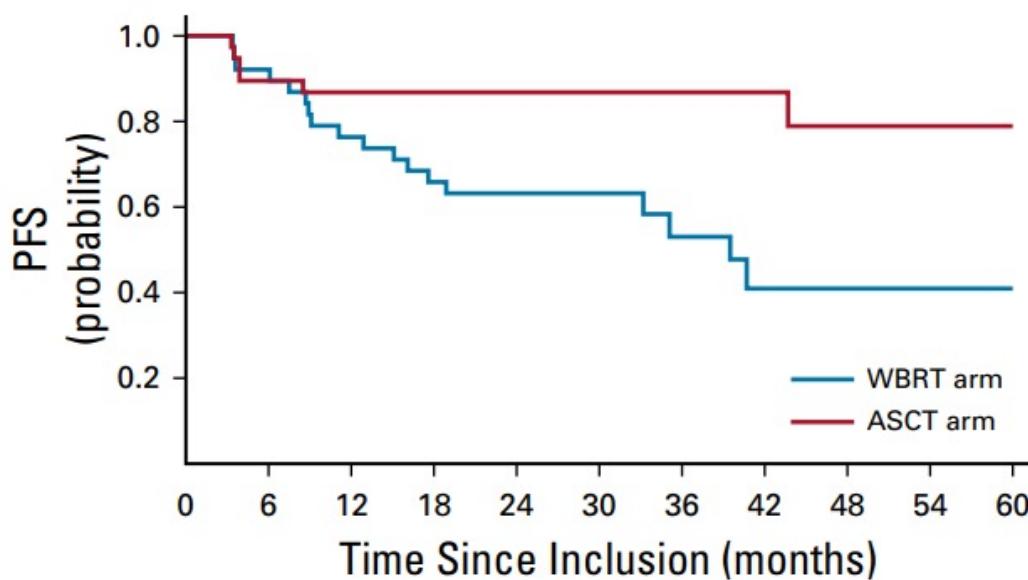
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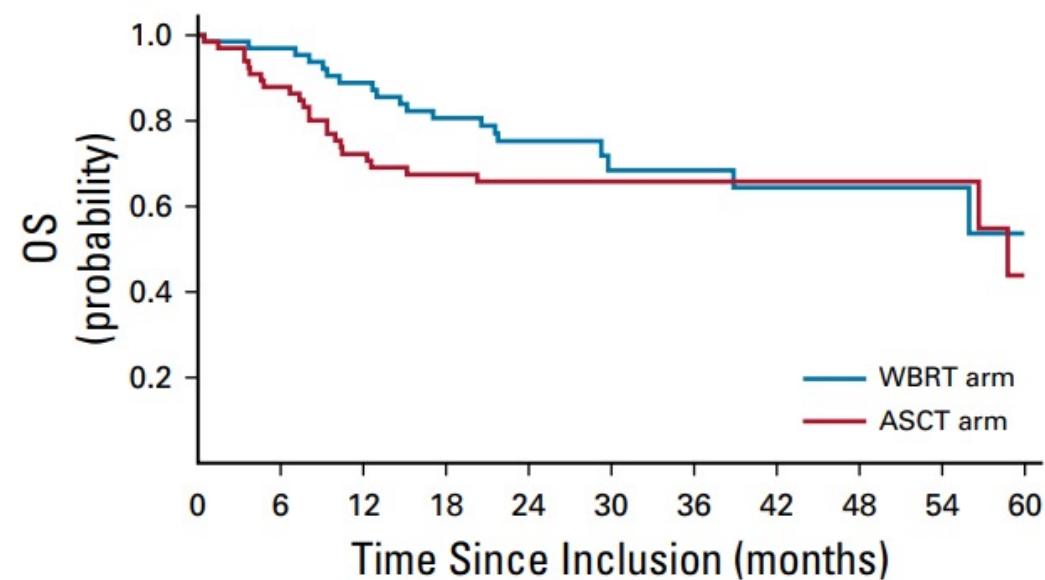


## Radiotherapy or Autologous Stem-Cell Transplantation for Primary CNS Lymphoma in Patients 60 Years of Age and Younger: Results of the Intergroup ANOCEF-GOELAMS Randomized Phase II PRECIS Study

Houillier C. *J Clin Oncol*, 2019; 37: 823-833



No. at risk	WBRT arm	ASCT arm
38	35	29
38	34	31
25	25	31
24	24	30
13	13	20
10	10	14
6	6	11
4	4	8
4	4	5
3	3	3



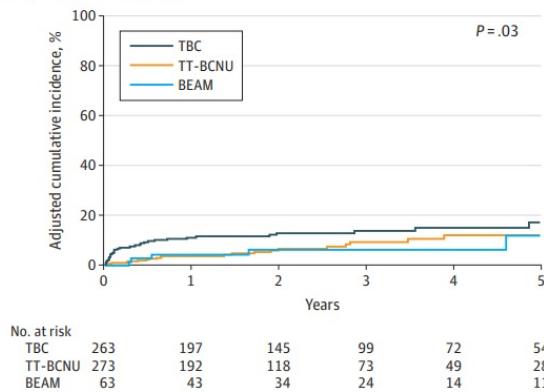
No. at risk	WBRT arm	ASCT arm
66	62	54
66	57	46
66	49	41
66	42	38
66	19	24
66	17	17
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66	6	9
66	6	6
66	4	4

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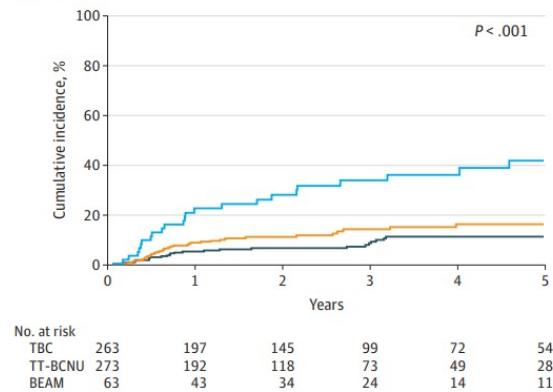
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## Confronto tra diversi regimi di condizionamento

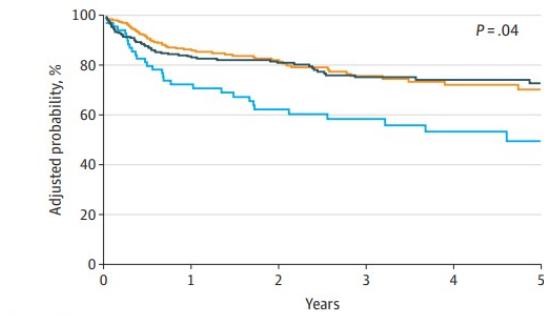
A Nonrelapse mortality



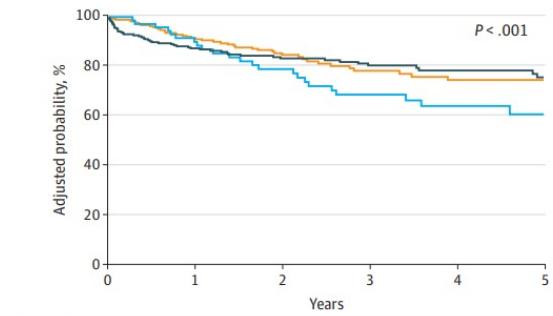
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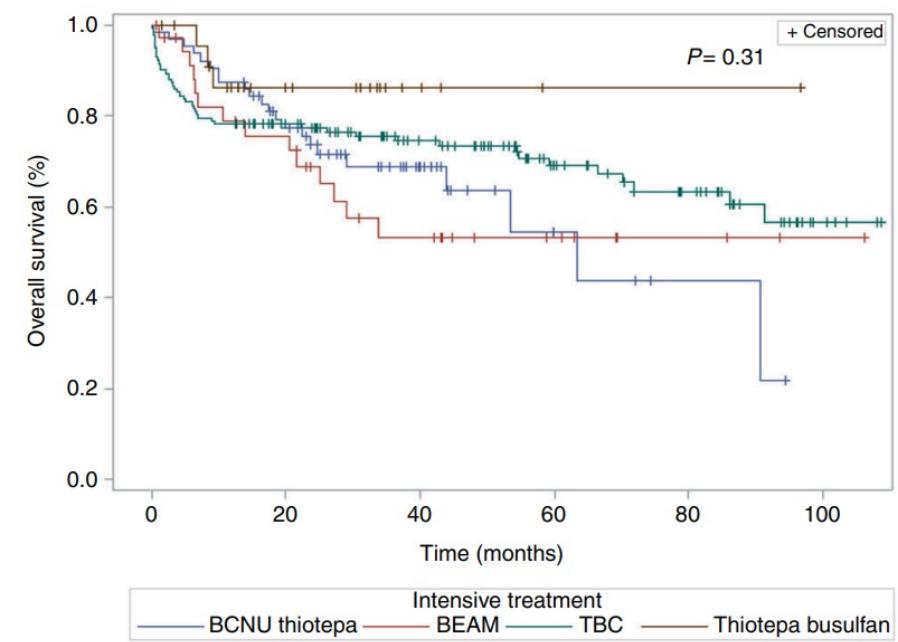
C Progression-free survival



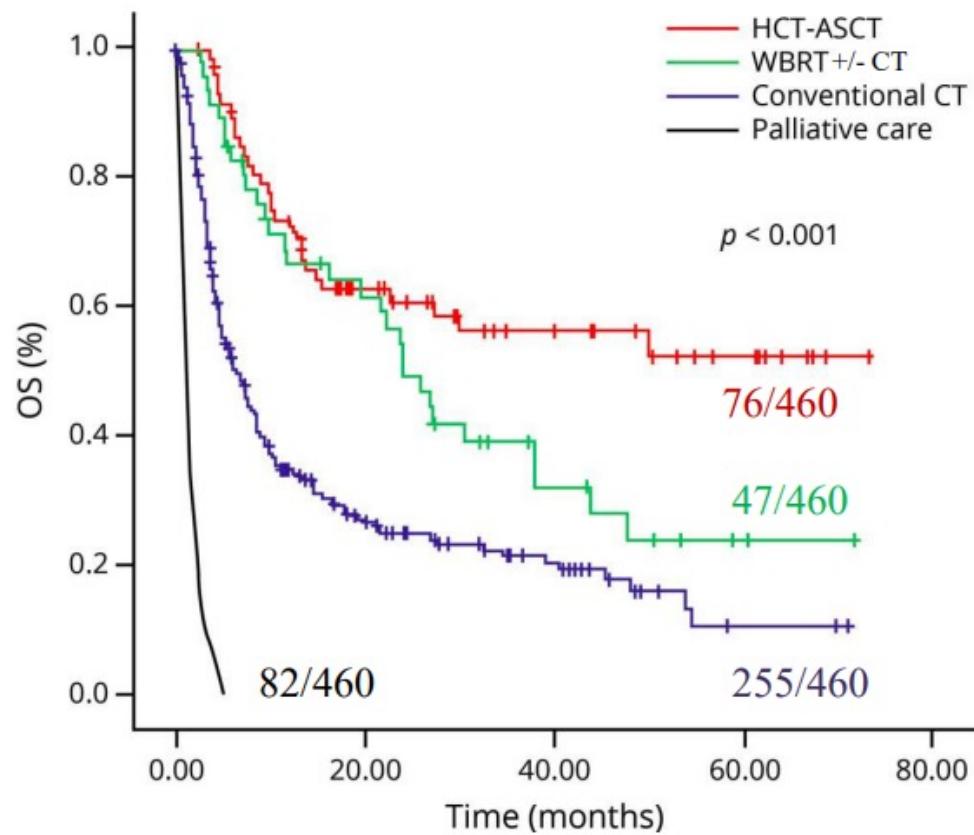
D Overall survival



BEAM indicates carmustine, etoposide, cytarabine, melphalan; TBC, thiotapec, busulfan, cyclophosphamide; TT-BCNU, thiotapec, carmustine.



## *Prognosi della malattia in ricaduta in funzione del salvataggio*



Whole population: 460 pz

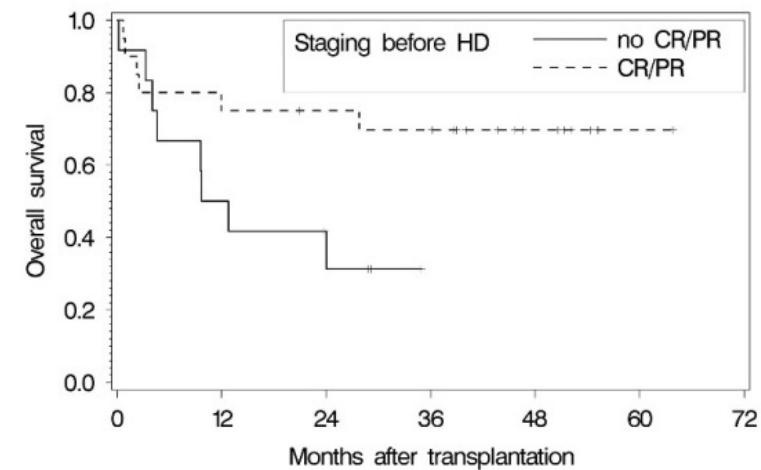
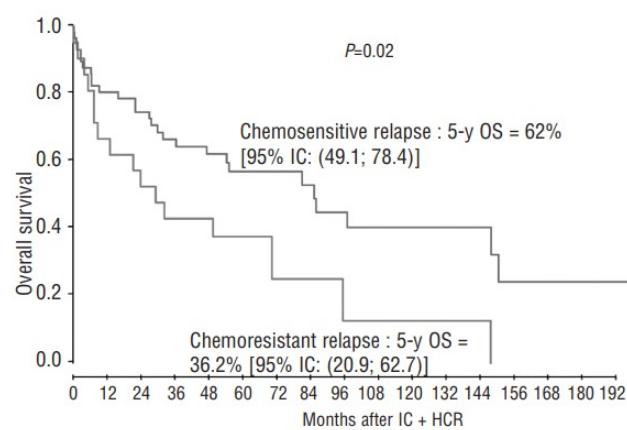
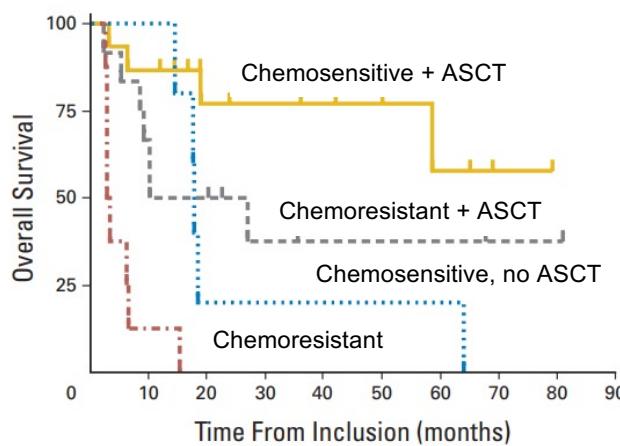
- 3-y OS = 25 %
- Median = 6.7 months

After ASCT:

- 3-y OS = 57%
- Median OS = NR

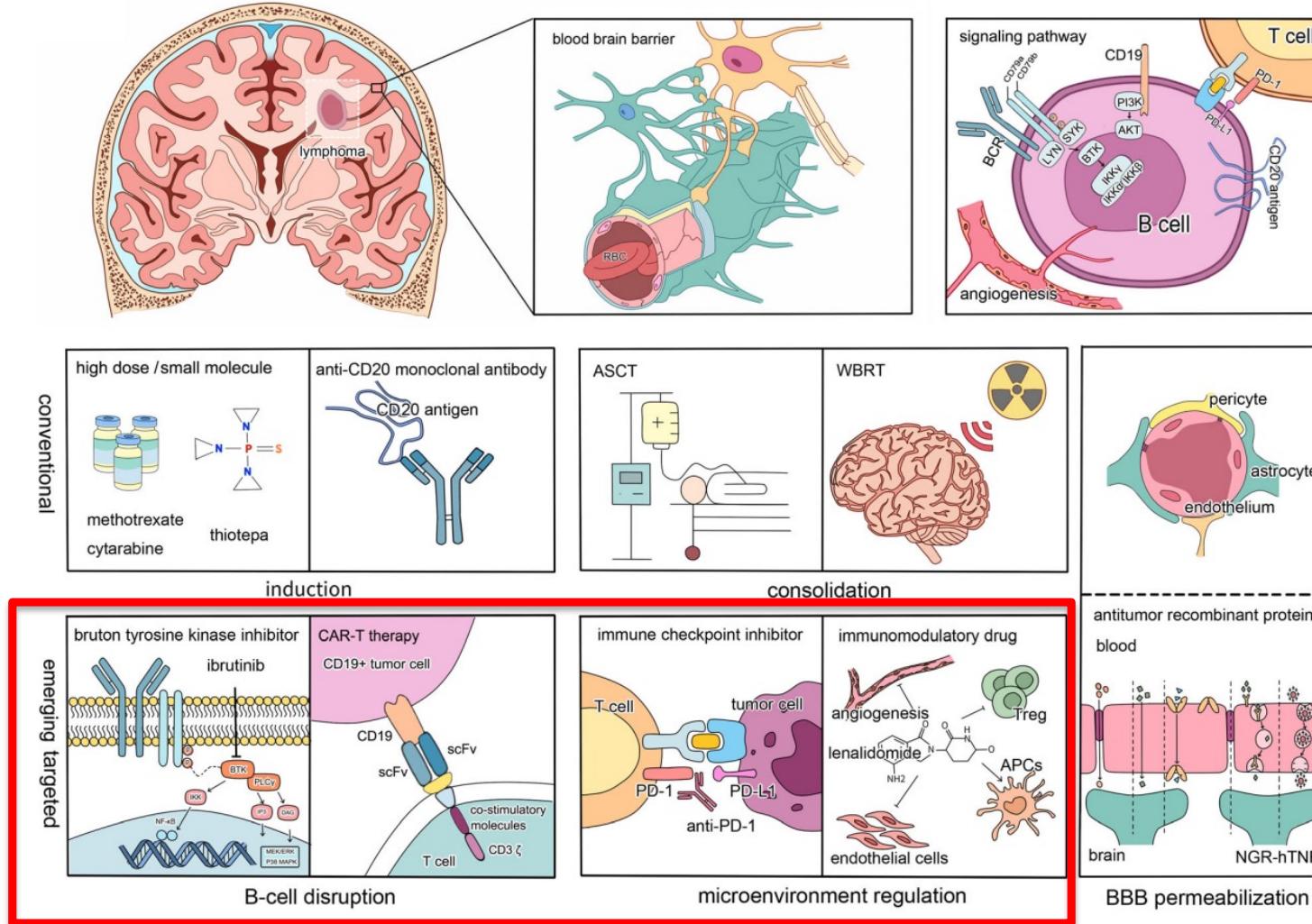
## *Terapia convenzionale alla ricaduta*

WBRT	ORR: 74 %; Median OS = 11 months
Re-HD MTX	In selected cases with long lasting CR1 with previous course of MTX
HD Ara-C or Ifosfamide based Chemo (e.g R-DHAP, R-ICE)	<b>ORR: 60-80 %,</b> <b>but short duration of response if no further consolidation ASCT</b>
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## *Agenti attivi nella malattia in ricaduta*

Study	Agents	Patients, n	ORR* (%)	Median PFS, mo	Median OS, mo
Fischer et al, 2006	Topotecan	27	9/27 (33)	2	8.4
Reni et al, 2007	Temozolomide	36	11/36 (31)	2.8	3.9
Soussain et al, 2008	CYVE+ASCT	43	20/40 (50)	11.6	18.3
Batchelor et al, 2011	Rituximab	12	5/12 (42)	1.9 (57 d)	20.9
Raizer et al, 2012	Pemetrexed	11	6/11 (55)	5.7	10.1
Rubenstein et al, 2013	IT rituximab+IT MTX	14	6/14 (43)	1.2	NR
Nayak et al, 2013	Rituximab+TMZ+pred	16	5/14 (36)	1.6 (7 wk)	NR
Korfel et al, 2016	Temsirolimus	37	20/37 (54)	2.1	3.7
Grommes et al, 2017	Ibrutinib	13	10/13 (77)	4.6	15
Grommes et al, 2019	Ibrutinib/MTX/rituximab	15	8/15 (80)	9.2	NR
Soussain et al, 2019	Ibrutinib	52	27/52 (52)	4.8	19.2
Ghesquieres et al, 2019	Lenalidomide/rituximab	45	28/45 (62)	7.8	17.7
Tun et al, 2018	Pomalidomide	25	12/25 (48)	5.3	NR
Rubenstein et al, 2018	Lenalidomide	13	8/13 (62)	NR	NR

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CYVE, cytarabine + etoposide; NR, not reached; pred, methylprednisolone; TMZ, temozolomide.

\*Partial response/complete response.

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	Enrolled	Evaluable for response
N	52	44
Sex ratio M:F	6:7	5:6
Median age	67.5 (range, 47–82)	70 (range, 52–81)
≥ 60	35 (67%)	33 (75%)
PS		
0–1	35 (67%)	33 (77%)
2	17 (33%)	11 (23%)
Number of previous lines of treatment		
1	19 (36.5%)	18 (41%)
2	19 (36.5%)	15 (34%)
3	9 (17%)	6 (14%)
4	5 (10%)	5 (11%)
Previous ASCT	7	4
Previous WBRT	11	1
Status from previous treatment		
Relapse	38 (73%)	31 (70%)
Refractory	14 (27%)	13 (30%)
Disease assessment at the time of inclusion in the study		
Brain parenchyma/spinal cord	38	30
With IO	4	4
With CSF	2	1
With IO + CSF	1	1
Intraocular	14	14
With CSF	2	2
Corticosteroids during cycle 1	19	14

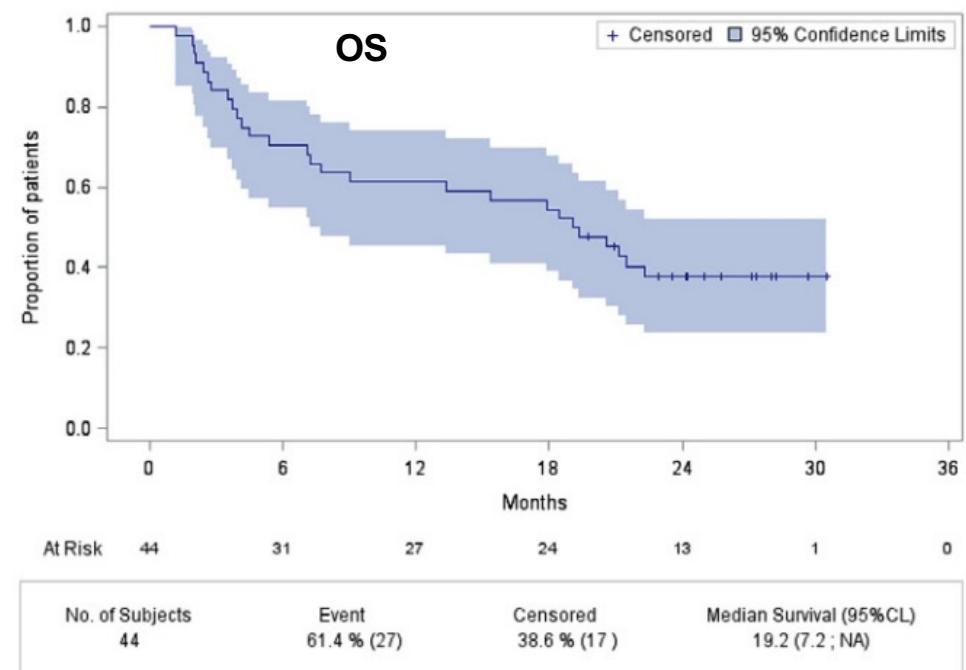
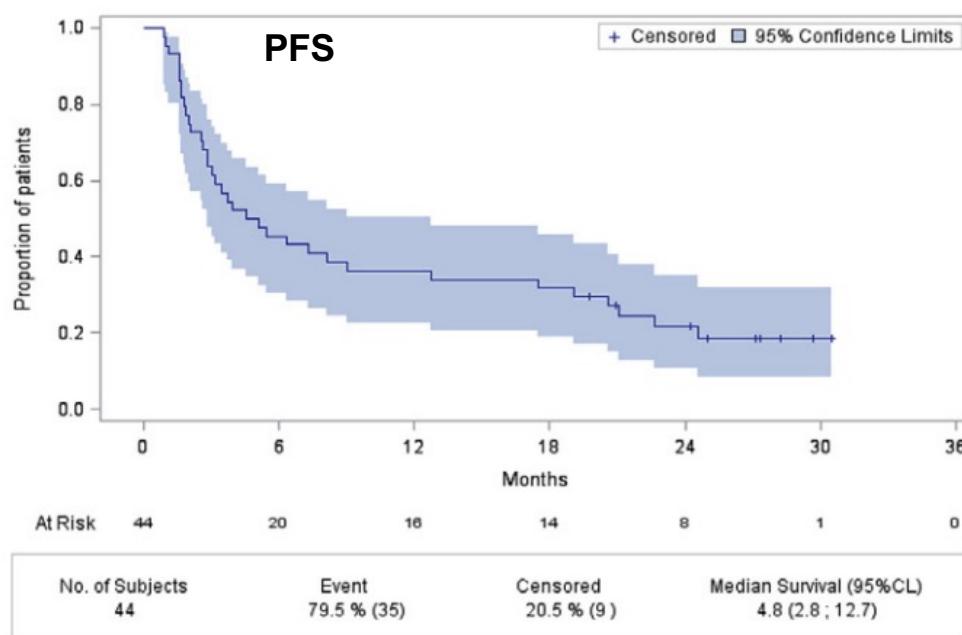
ITT population, intention-to-treat population; PS, performance status; IO, intraocular; CSF, cerebrospinal fluid; ASCT, autologous stem cell transplantation; WBRT, whole-brain radiotherapy.

Ibrutinib monotherapy for relapse or refractory primary CNS lymphoma and primary vitreoretinal lymphoma: Final analysis of the phase II ‘proof-of-concept’ iLOC study by the Lymphoma study association (LYSA) and the French oculo-cerebral lymphoma (LOC) network

Therapeutic response	Cycle 4	Cycle 6	Cycle 9	Cycle 12
CR + uCR	9	11	13	11
PR	8	1	0	0
ORR	<b>39%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>25%</b>
SD	0	2	1	1
DC	<b>39%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>27%</b>
PD	8	2	3	0
Not reaching the time point	19	28	27	32

CR, complete response; uCR, unconfirmed complete response; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease; DC, disease control; PD, progressive disease

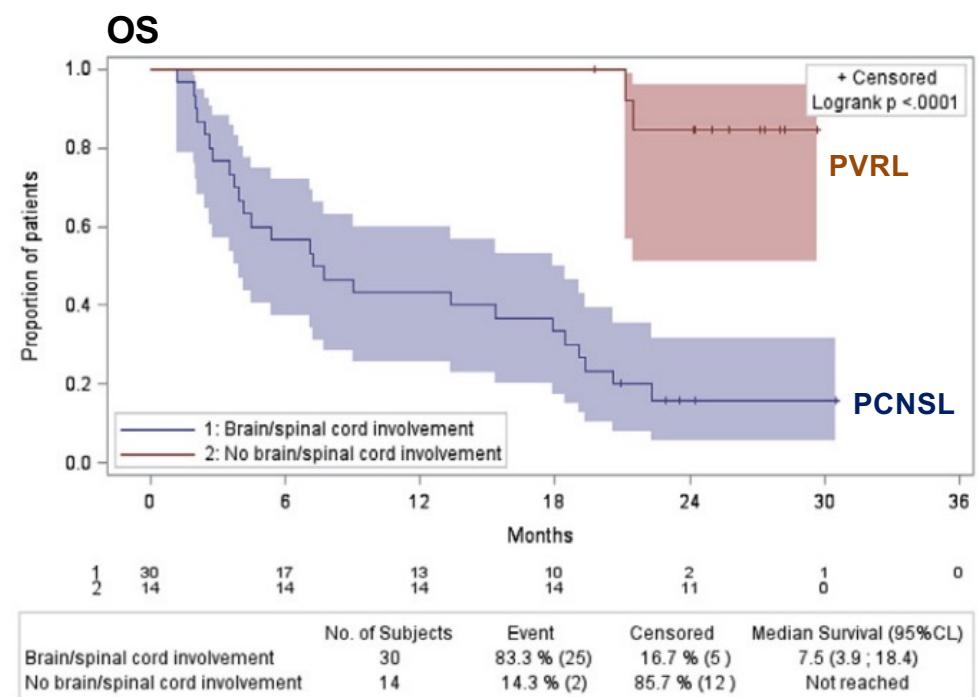
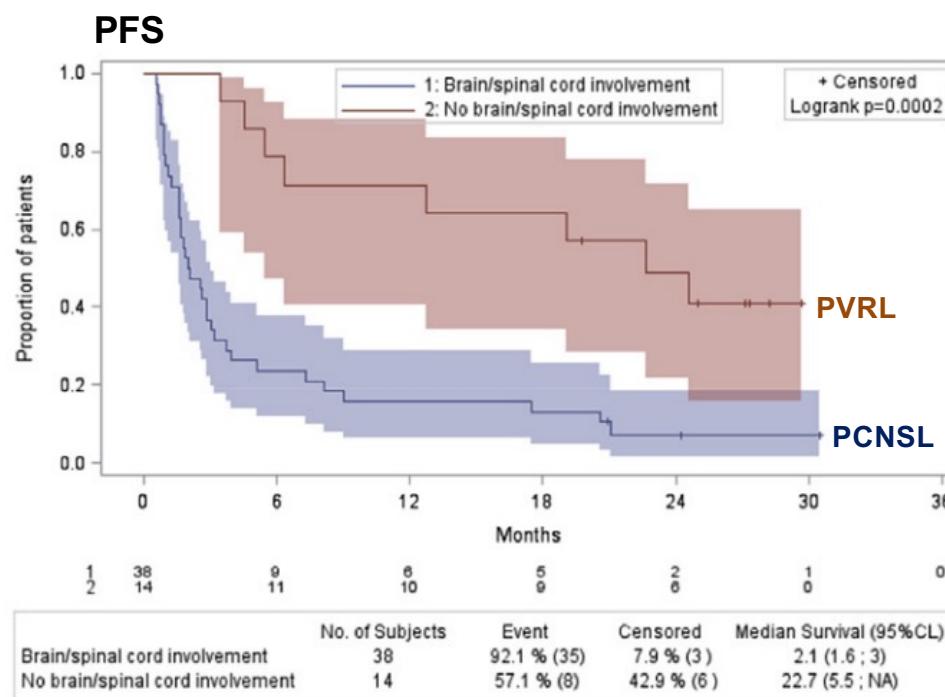
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All n = 45		
Clinical characteristics	n	%
<b>Age, years</b>		
Median (range)	69 (46-86)	
<b>Sex</b>		
Male	16	36
Female	29	64
<b>ECOG, PS</b>		
0-1	20	51
2-4	19	49
NE	6	
<b>Localization at inclusion</b>		
Brain	34	76
Brain alone	23	
Brain+eye	6	
Brain+CSF	5	
Eye	11	24
Eye alone	9	
Eye+CSF	2	
<b>Histology subtypes</b>		
DLBCL	45	100
<b>Previous treatment</b>		
Number of previous treatments		
Median	1 (1-4)	
1	23	51
2	14	31
3	5	11
4	3	7
HDT+ASCT	9	20
Radiotherapy	5	11
Rituximab	30	67
First-line therapy		
MPVA protocol	30	67
MBVP protocol	6	13
HD MTX-containing treatment	9	20
<b>Type of disease at inclusion</b>		
Relapse	38	84
Refractory	7	16
<b>Corticosteroids during cycle 1 of R<sup>2</sup></b>	29	64

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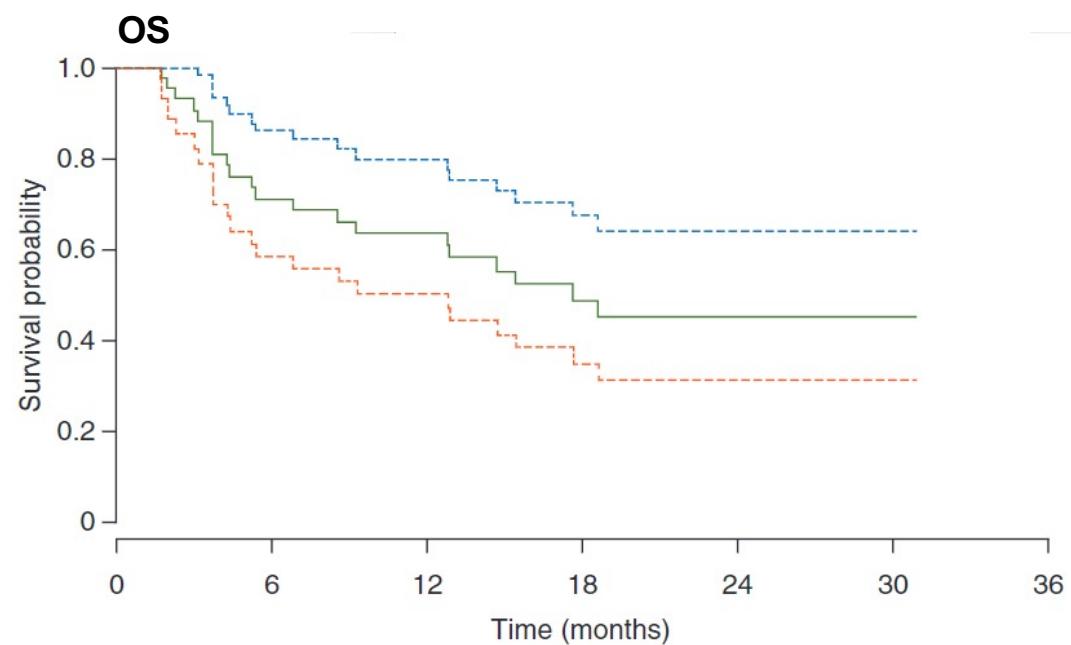
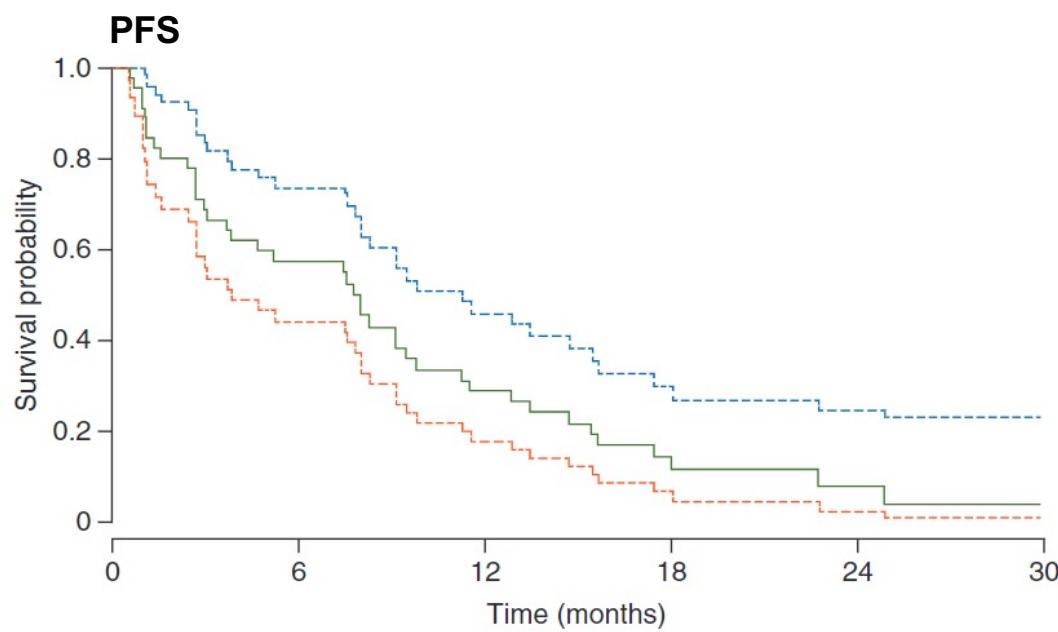
- **8 cicli di induzione:** rituximab + lenalidomide (20 mg/die al 1° ciclo; 25 mg/die dal 2°)
- **12 cicli di mantenimento:** lenalidomide (10 mg/die)

Response	Patients n	CR+uCR n (%)	PR n (%)	SD n (%)	PD n (%)	NE n (%)
After C1	45	9 (20)	19 (42)	2 (5)	10 (22)	5 (11)
After C4	28	16 (36)	5 (11)	3 (7)	3 (7)	1 (2)
After C8	23	13 (29)	3 (7)	1 (2)	6 (13)	-

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CLINICAL/SCIENTIFIC NOTE

## Rituximab-Lenalidomide-Ibrutinib Combination for Relapsed/Refractory Primary CNS Lymphoma

N = 14 R/R PCNSL (11 pts refractory to last treatment)

Response in 8 patients: 4 CR and 4 PR

Median time to response = 2.5 months

- Consolidation in 3: 2 WBRT ; 1 ASCT
- Bridge to CART-cell in one patient

1-y OS = 53%

## CD19-directed CAR T-cell therapy for treatment of primary CNS lymphoma

Patient UPN	Age, y	Disease location (size at study entry)	KPS at study entry	Prior lines of therapy, n	Bridging therapy	Cell dose, M	CRS max grade	Symptoms (NT max grade)*	Intervention for CRS/NT	Best Response	Duration of response, d	Current status
286	53	Left temporal lobe (0.6 cm)	90	3	High-dose methotrexate-based chemotherapy	200	2	Headache (3), agitation (1), restlessness (1)	Toci and Dex	CR	273	Progressed/alive
310†	53	Posterior corpus callosum (1.6 cm)	80	6	Pomalidomide	115‡	1	Headache (2), dizziness (2), memory impairment (1)	None	SD	13	Off protocol therapy/alive, on maintenance pomalidomide
272	47	Right temporal lobe (3 cm), left temporal lobe (1.5 cm), and right basal ganglia (3 cm)	70	12	Brain radiation; steroids	200	1	Tremor (1), dysarthria (1), hallucinations (1)	None	SD	32	Progressed/lost to follow-up
346	49	Right temporal lobe (0.9 cm)	90	2	None	600	2	Concentration impairment (1), dysphasia (1)	Toci and Dex	CR	520§	CR/alive
475	42	Left basal ganglia (0.5 cm)	90	5	Brain radiation; steroids	600	1	Seizure (1), dizziness (1)	None	CR	43	Off protocol therapy/alive, on maintenance lenalidomide

Dex, dexamethasone; KPS, Karnofsky Performance Status; max, maximum; NA, not applicable; SD, stable disease; Toci, tocilizumab; UPN, unique patient number.

\*Highest grade possibly, probably, or definitely related to T-cell infusion. Symptoms experienced by UPN 346 were probably related to T-cell infusion, whereas all other symptoms were possibly related.

†The patient declined all research studies on the trial after receiving CD19CAR T cells and received pomalidomide at day 28, which took them off protocol therapy.

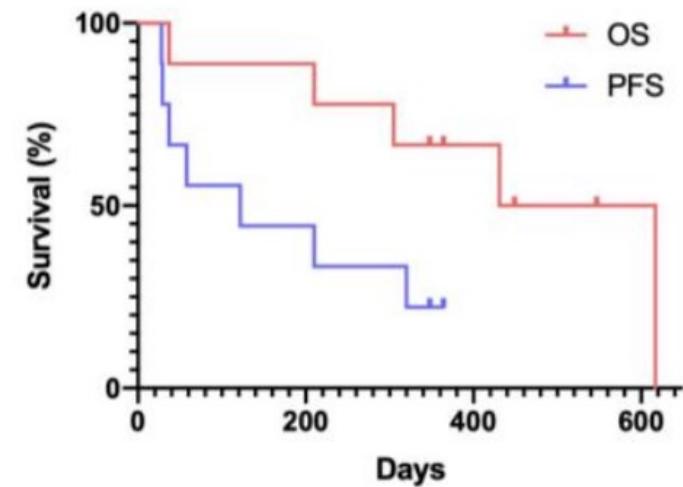
‡The manufactured dose for UPN 310 was 115M.

§Most recent disease assessment based on clinical assessment.

CAR T-cell therapy in primary central nervous system lymphoma: the clinical experience of the French LOC network

	LCP N = 9
Age, median (min – max)	67 (48 – 75)
male	3 (33%)
ECOG médian (min – max)	1 (0 – 4)
N (median) previous line (min – max)	3 (2 – 5)
Previous MTX HD	9 (100%)
Previous ASCT	7 (78%)
Previous WBRT	1 (eye)
Bridge therapy	8 (89%)
PD at time of CART-cells infusion	4 (44%)
T-cell depletion : FC	9 (100%)
Tisa-cel	7 (78%)
Axi-cel	2 (22%)

	LCP; N = 9
<b>Response at M1</b>	
ORR	6 (67%)
CR	3 (33%)
PD	2 (22%)
<b>Response at M3</b>	
ORR	6 (67%)
CR	5 (56%)
PD	2 (22%)
<b>Best response</b>	
CR	5 (56%)
PR	1 (11%)

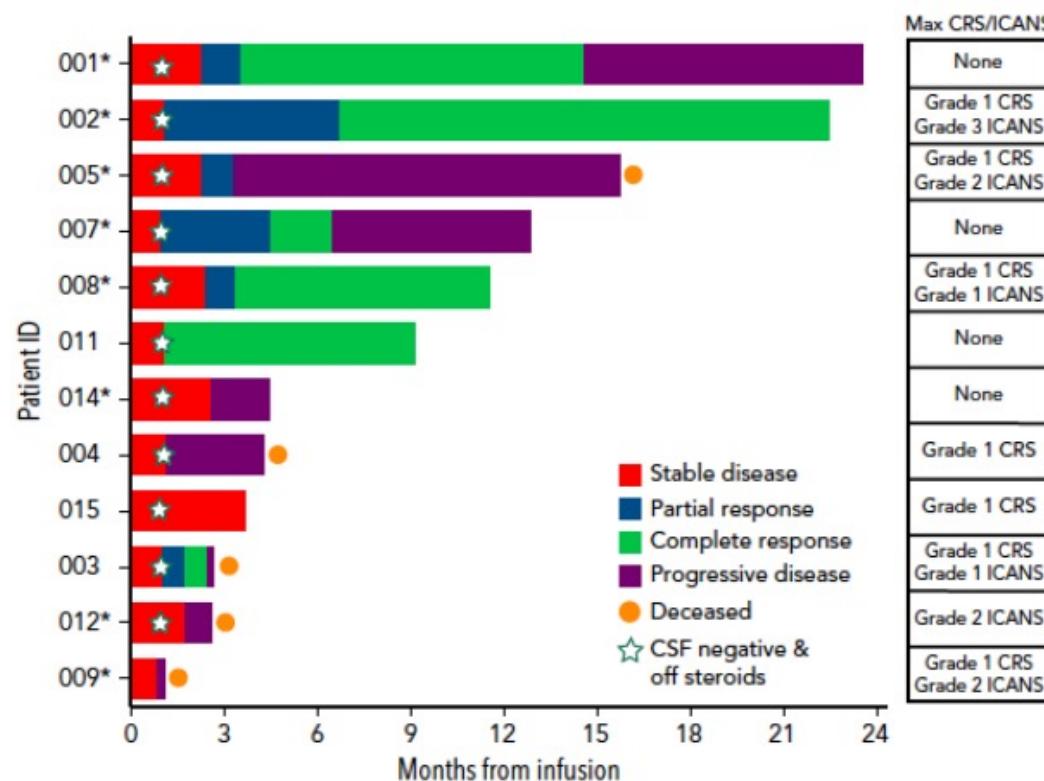


1-year OS: 67%  
 Median OS: 17 months  
 1-year PFS: 22%  
 Median DOR: 10 months

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Characteristics	Patients (n = 12)
Median age (range), y	63 (34-81)
Male:female	7:5
Infused/enrolled	12/13
ECOG performance status, no. %	
0-1	7/12
2+	5/12
Disease location	
Parenchymal	11/12
Leptomeningeal enhancement/CSF+	2/12
Cell of origin	
Germinal center B-cell type	1/12
Nongerminal center B-cell type	11/12
Median no. of previous lines of antineoplastic therapy (range)	4 (2-9)
Prior methotrexate-based regimen	
Yes	12/12
No	0/12
Prior thiotepa-based ASCT	
Yes	3/12
No	9/12
BTKi refractory	
Yes	12/12
No	0/12
IMiD refractory*	
Yes	4/12
No	8/12
TEDDI-R refractory	
Yes	6/12
No	6/12
Prior radiotherapy	
Yes	4/12
No	8/12

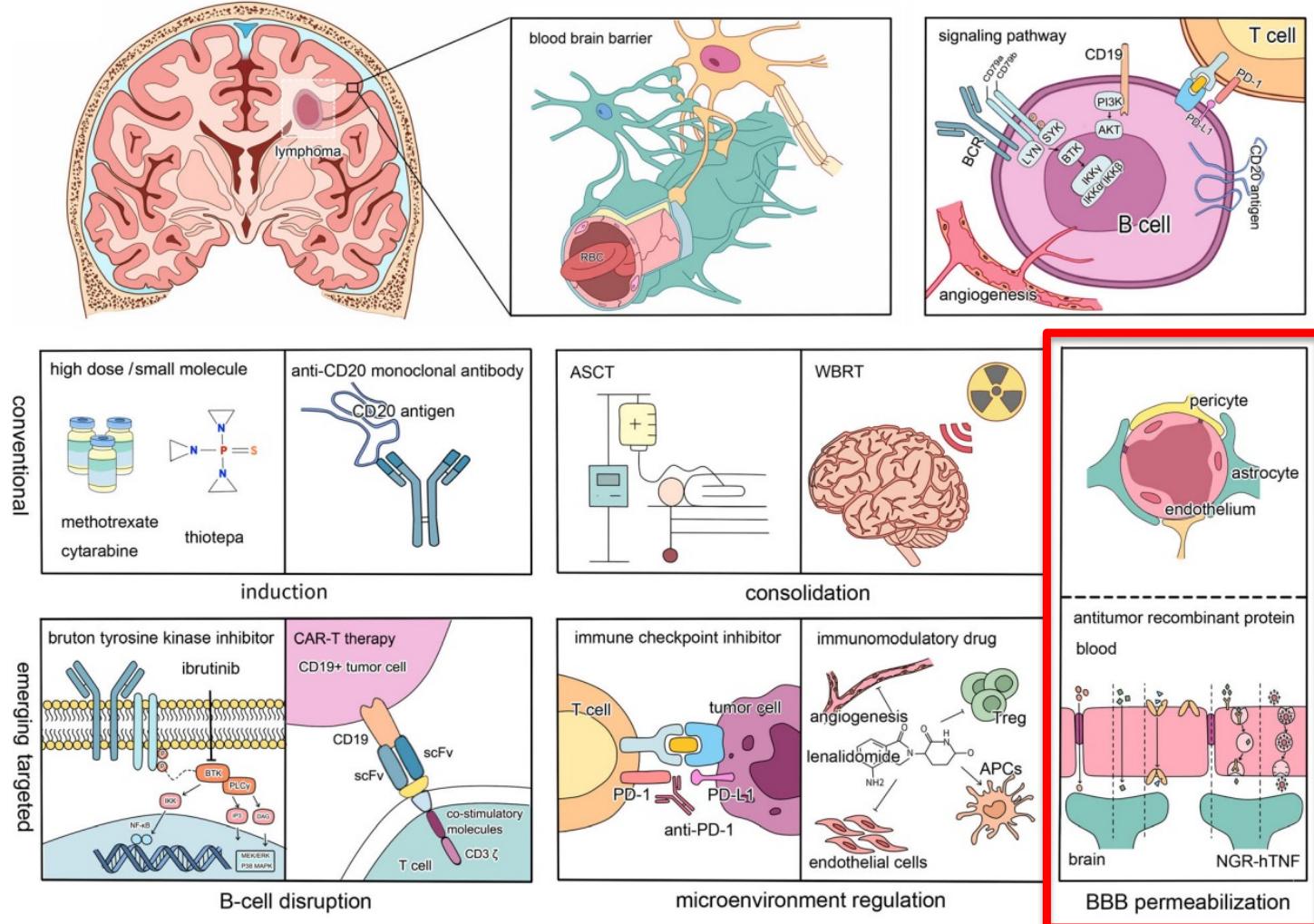


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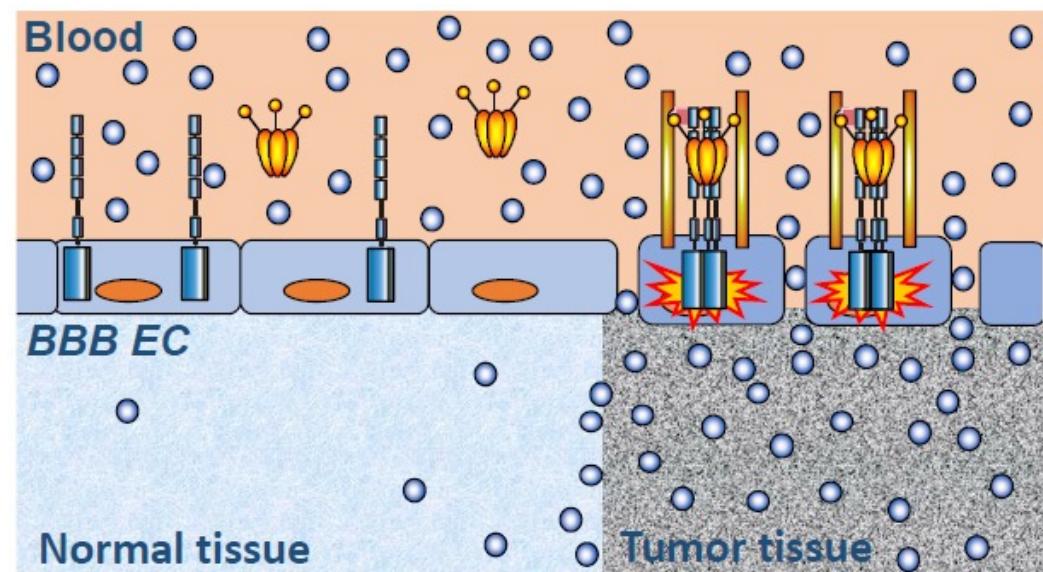
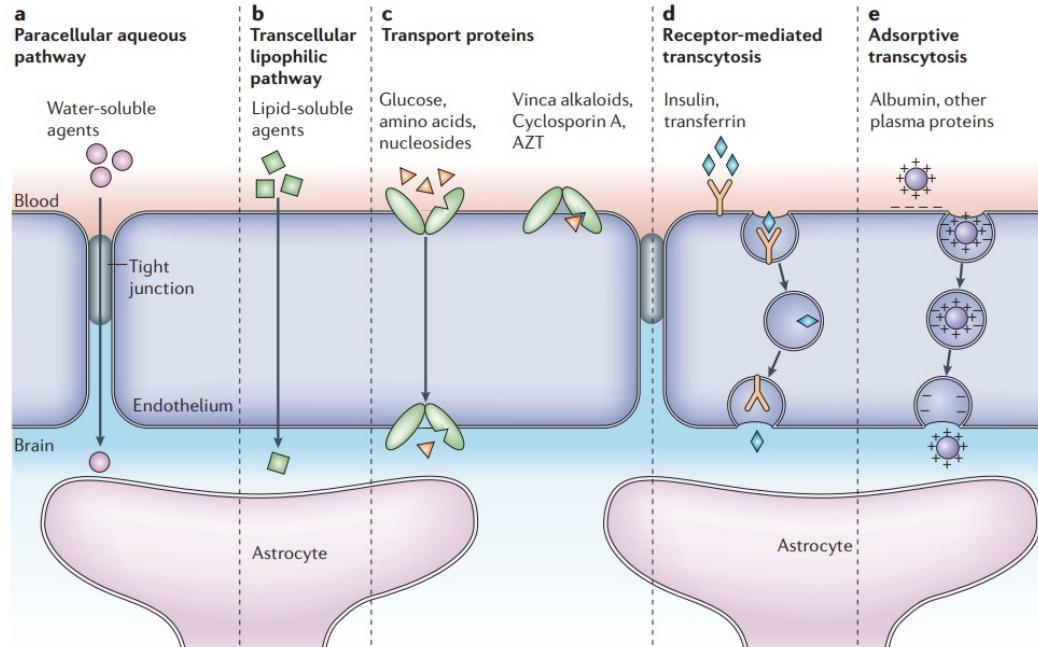
ORR: 7/12 (58%)  
CR: 6/12 (50%)

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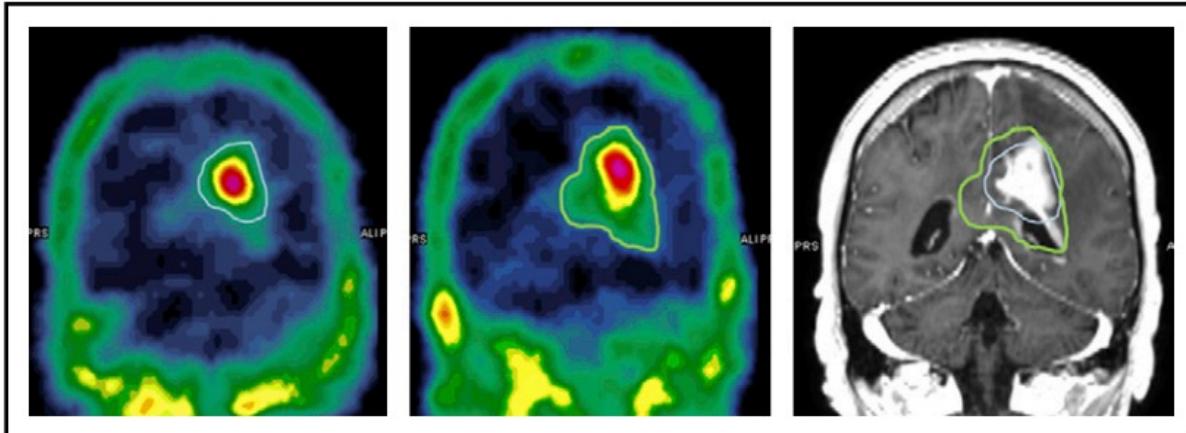


## Permeabilizzazione della barriera emato-encefalica



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R-CHOP preceded by blood-brain barrier permeabilization with engineered tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$  in primary CNS lymphoma

Drug concentrations	Without NGR-hTNF*	After NGR-hTNF†	P
<b>Plasma</b>			
Doxorubicin, ng/mL	29.6 $\pm$ 7.4	26.0 $\pm$ 6.7	.43
Cyclophosphamide, mg/L	26.3 $\pm$ 7.7	27.8 $\pm$ 7.9	.17
Rituximab, ng/mL	45.4 $\pm$ 17.0	69.1 $\pm$ 13.4	.04
<b>CSF</b>			
Doxorubicin, ng/mL	<2.5 (all samples)	<2.5 (all samples)	
Cyclophosphamide, mg/L	14.1 $\pm$ 3.5	15.5 $\pm$ 4.8	.27
Rituximab, ng/mL	<1.0 (all samples)	<1.0 (all samples)	
<b>CSF/plasma ratio‡</b>			
Cyclophosphamide, %	60 $\pm$ 20	62 $\pm$ 19	.73

\*Samples collected after the first course of treatment (ie, after R-CHOP without NGR-hTNF).

†Samples collected after the second course of treatment (ie, after NGR-hTNF followed by R-CHOP).

‡The ratio was not estimated for doxorubicin and rituximab because CSF concentrations resulted below the lower limit of quantification.

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Response to NGR-hTNF/R-CHOP	Consolidation	Response to consolidation	Treatment failure	TTTF, mo*	Status	Survival, mo
PD	None	—	Yes	4	DoD	5
CR	Lenalidomide	CR	Yes	11	DoD	11
PD	None	—	Yes	4	DoD	14
CR	WBRT > lenalidomide	CR	Yes	6	DoD	18
PD	None	—	Yes	4	DoD	6
CR	WBRT > lenalidomide	CR	Yes	9	DoD	22
CR	ASCT > WBRT	CR	Yes	6	Alive	31
CR	ASCT > lenalidomide	CR	Yes	17	Alive	30
CR	ASCT	CR	Yes	9	DoD	11
PR	WBRT	CR	No	10	DUC	10
CR	ASCT	CR	Yes	6	DoD	7
CR	ASCT	CR	No	25	Alive	25
PD	None	—	Yes	1	DoD	2
PD	None	—	Yes	1	DoD	2
CR	None	—	Yes	13	DoD	19
PR	WBRT	CR	Yes	10	DoD	11
PR	WBRT	PR	Yes	5	DoD	7
PR	WBRT	PR	Yes	5	DoD	7
PR	None	—	Yes	5	DoD	6
PD	None	—	Yes	0	DoD	1
PR	None	—	Yes	5	DoD	7
PR	None	—	Yes	6	DoD	9
PR	WBRT	PR	Yes	7	DoD	8
CR	ASCT	CR	No	17	Alive	17
PD	None	—	Yes	1	DoD	3
PR	WBRT	PR	Yes	3	DoD	6
CR	ASCT	CR	No	14	Alive	14
PR	WBRT	CR	No	14	Alive	14

R-CHOP preceded by blood-brain barrier permeabilization with engineered tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$  in primary CNS lymphoma

## 28 pazienti arruolati e valutabili

- 21 pazienti in risposta (75%)
- 11 risposte complete (39%)
- 10 risposte parziali (36%)
- 17 pazienti consolidati
- 10 con radioterapia
- 7 con trapianto autologo
- 16 ricadute/progressioni

## Take home messages

- La terapia di prima linea del paziente con linfoma primitivo del sistema nervoso centrale deve auspicabilmente prevedere una fase di induzione e una fase di consolidamento.
- Il consolidamento con autotripianto è la prima scelta nel caso di pazienti giovani e in grado di tollerare un condizionamento mieloablattivo.
- La radioterapia *whole brain* è da prendere in considerazione nei pazienti non candidabili ad una chemioterapia ad alte dosi.
- L'utilizzo di farmaci che oltrepassano la barriera ematoencefalica è essenziale sia nella fase di induzione (metotrexato, citarabina, tiotepa), sia nel consolidamento (tiotepa).
- L'approccio alla malattia in ricaduta può prevedere il riutilizzo dei farmaci utilizzati nella prima linea e, quando possibile, ancora una volta un consolidamento (autotripianto, radioterapia panencefalica).
- Tra i nuovi agenti attivi nella malattia in ricaduta, spiccano gli inibitori di BTK (ibrutinib) e gli IMiDs (lenalidomide). Sono in corso studi che ne valutano la combinazione.
- La terapia con cellule CART è efficace nella malattia in ricaduta, i risultati sono preliminari.
- Possono essere percorribili strategie mirate all'aumento della permeabilità della barriera ematoencefalica, favorenti la diffusione di chemioterapici non altrimenti attivi sul tessuto cerebrale.