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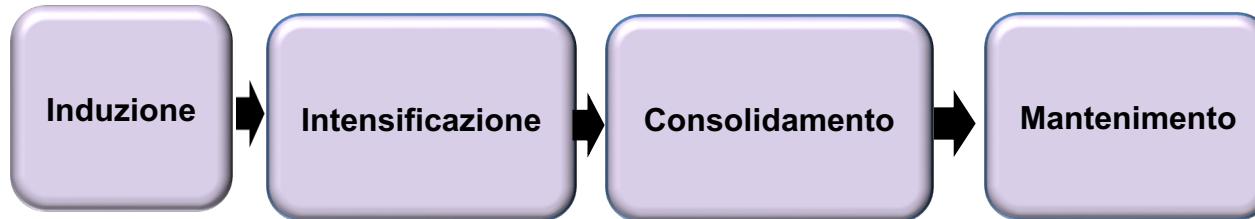
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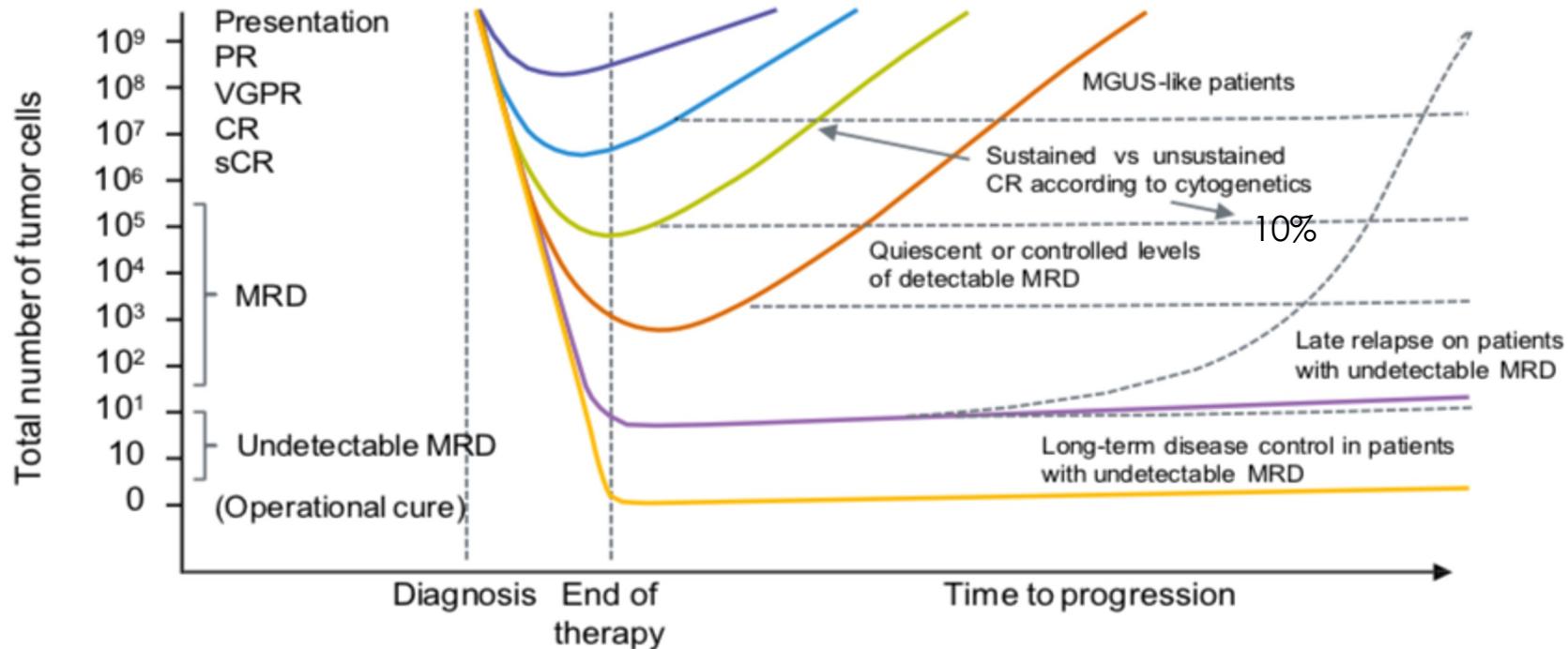
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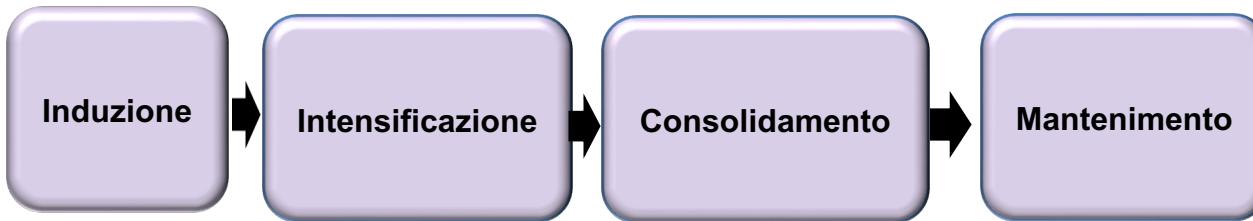






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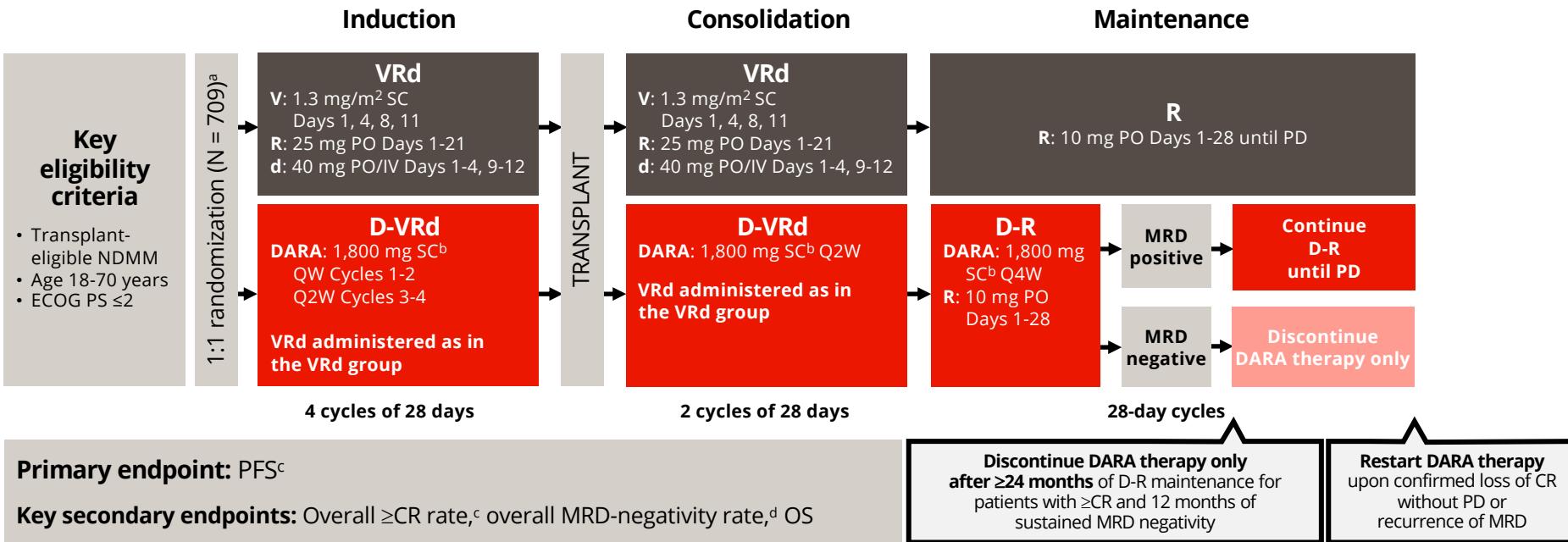
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PERSEUS: Study Design



ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; V, bortezomib; SC, subcutaneous; PO, oral; d, dexamethasone; IV, intravenous; QW, weekly; Q2W, every 2 weeks; PD, progressive disease; Q4W, every 4 weeks; MRD, minimal residual disease; OS, overall survival; ISS, International Staging System; rHuPH20, recombinant human hyaluronidase PH20; IMWG, International Myeloma Working Group; VGPR, very good partial response. ^aStratified by ISS stage and cytogenetic risk. ^bDARA 1,800 mg co-formulated with rHuPH20 (2,000 U/mL; ENHANZE® drug delivery technology, Halozyme, Inc., San Diego, CA, USA). ^cResponse and disease progression were assessed using a computerized algorithm based on IMWG response criteria. ^dMRD was assessed using the clonoSEQ assay (v2.0; Adaptive Biotechnologies, Seattle, WA, USA) in patients with ≥VGPR post-consolidation and at the time of suspected ≥CR. Overall, the MRD-negativity rate was defined as the proportion of patients who achieved both MRD negativity (10⁻⁵ threshold) and ≥CR at any time.



PERSEUS: Baseline Demographic and Clinical Characteristics

	D-VRd (n = 355)	VRd (n = 354)	D-VRd (n = 355)	VRd (n = 354)
Age				
Median (range), years	61.0 (32-70)	59.0 (31-70)		
Category, n (%)				
<50 years	54 (15.2)	54 (15.3)		
≥50 and <65 years	207 (58.3)	213 (60.2)		
≥65 years	94 (26.5)	87 (24.6)		
Male, n (%)	211 (59.4)	205 (57.9)		
ECOG PS, ^a n (%)				
0	221 (62.3)	230 (65.0)		
1	114 (32.1)	108 (30.5)		
2	19 (5.4)	16 (4.5)		
3	1 (0.3)	0		
MM diagnosis, n (%)				
N	354	352		
CRAB criteria only ^b	125 (35.3)	113 (32.1)		
Biomarkers of malignancy only	52 (14.7)	65 (18.5)		
CRAB criteria and biomarkers of malignancy	177 (50.0)	174 (49.4)		
ISS stage, ^c n (%)				
I			355	353
II			186 (52.4)	178 (50.4)
III			114 (32.1)	125 (35.4)
IV			55 (15.5)	50 (14.2)
Number of extramedullary plasmacytomas, n (%)				
0			340 (95.8)	338 (95.5)
≥1			15 (4.2)	16 (4.5)
Cytogenetic profile, ^d n (%)				
Standard risk			264 (74.4)	266 (75.1)
High risk			76 (21.4)	78 (22.0)
Indeterminate			15 (4.2)	10 (2.8)

- D-VRd and VRd treatment arms were well balanced

MM, multiple myeloma; CRAB, calcium, renal, anemia, bone.^aECOG PS is scored on a scale from 0 to 5, with 0 indicating no symptoms and higher scores indicating increasing disability. One patient had an ECOG PS score of 0 at randomization that worsened to a score of 3 at baseline. ^b≥1 of the CRAB criteria. ^cBased on the combination of serum β2-microglobulin and albumin levels. Higher stages indicate more advanced disease.

^dBased on fluorescence in situ hybridization; high risk was defined as the presence of del(17p), t(4;14), and/or t(14;16).



PERSEUS: Stem Cell Collection and Transplantation

	D-VRd	VRd
Patients receiving plerixafor for mobilization, n (%) ^a	134 (40.0)	72 (22.7)
Median CD34 ⁺ cells collected, 10 ⁶ /kg ^b	5.5	7.4
Patients receiving transplant, n (%) ^c	315 (89.7)	302 (87.0)
Patients achieving hematopoietic reconstitution, n (%) ^d	314 (99.7)	300 (99.3)
Median time to engraftment, days ^e	14	14

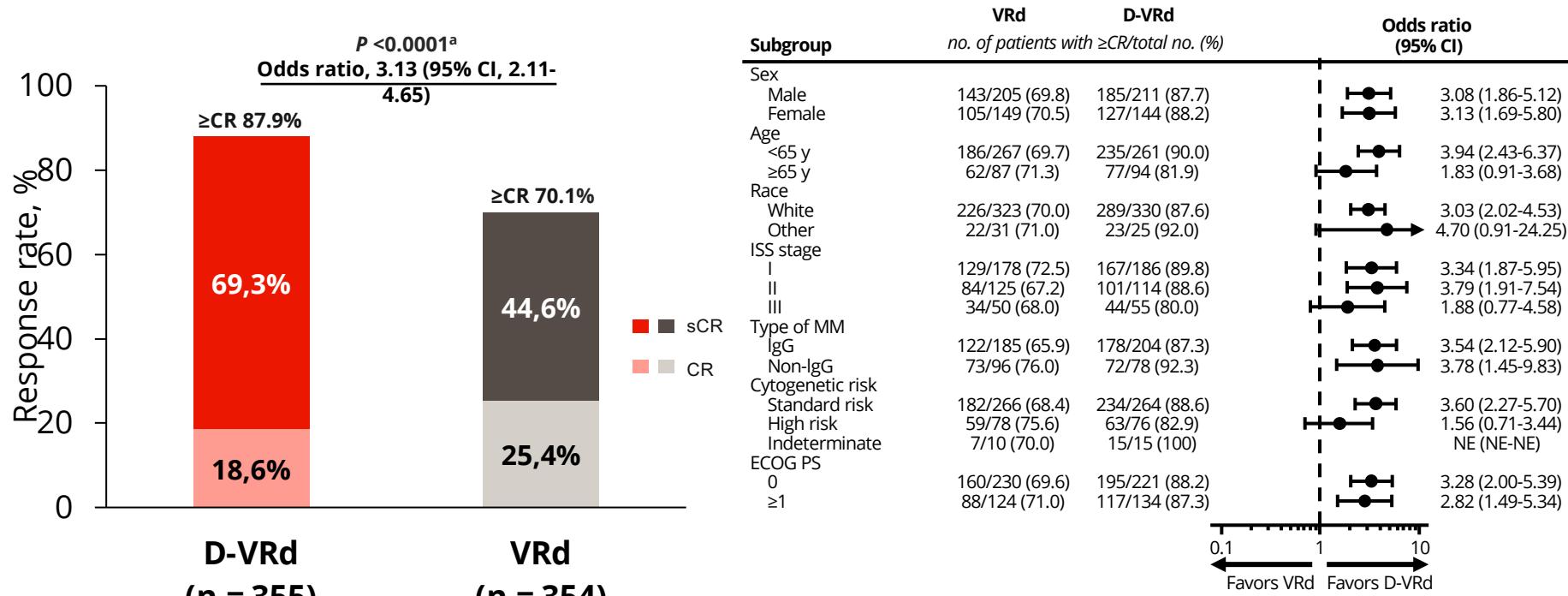
- Stem cell mobilization and collection were feasible with D-VRd
- D-VRd did not impact the ability to receive transplant or engraftment

^aAmong patients who proceeded to stem cell mobilization (D-VRd, n = 335; VRd, n = 317). ^bAmong patients who had stem cells collected (D-VRd, n = 326; VRd, n = 314). ^cIn the safety population (D-VRd, n = 351; VRd, n = 347).

^dAmong patients who proceeded to transplant (D-VRd, n = 315; VRd, n = 302). ^eNumber of days from the transplant date, excluding patients whose counts did not nadir below the set threshold. The date of engraftment post-ASCT was defined as the latest date of absolute neutrophil count $\geq 0.5 \times 10^9/L$ and platelet count $\geq 20 \times 10^9/L$. Patients with hematopoietic reconstitution were included (D-VRd, n = 314; VRd, n = 300).



PERSEUS: Overall \geq CR Rates



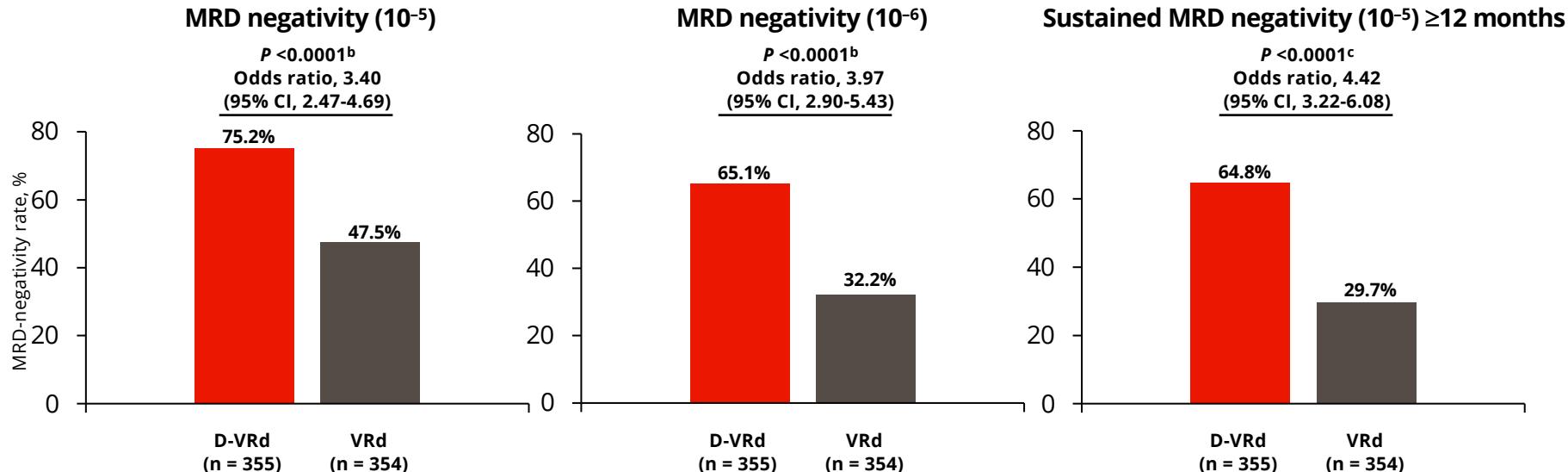
- Overall \geq CR rate was significantly higher with D-VRd versus VRd
- \geq CR rate was improved with D-VRd versus VRd across subgroups

sCR, stringent complete response; NE, not estimable. ^aP value (2-sided) was calculated with the use of the stratified Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel chi-squared test.

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PERSEUS: Overall and Sustained MRD-negativity Rates^a

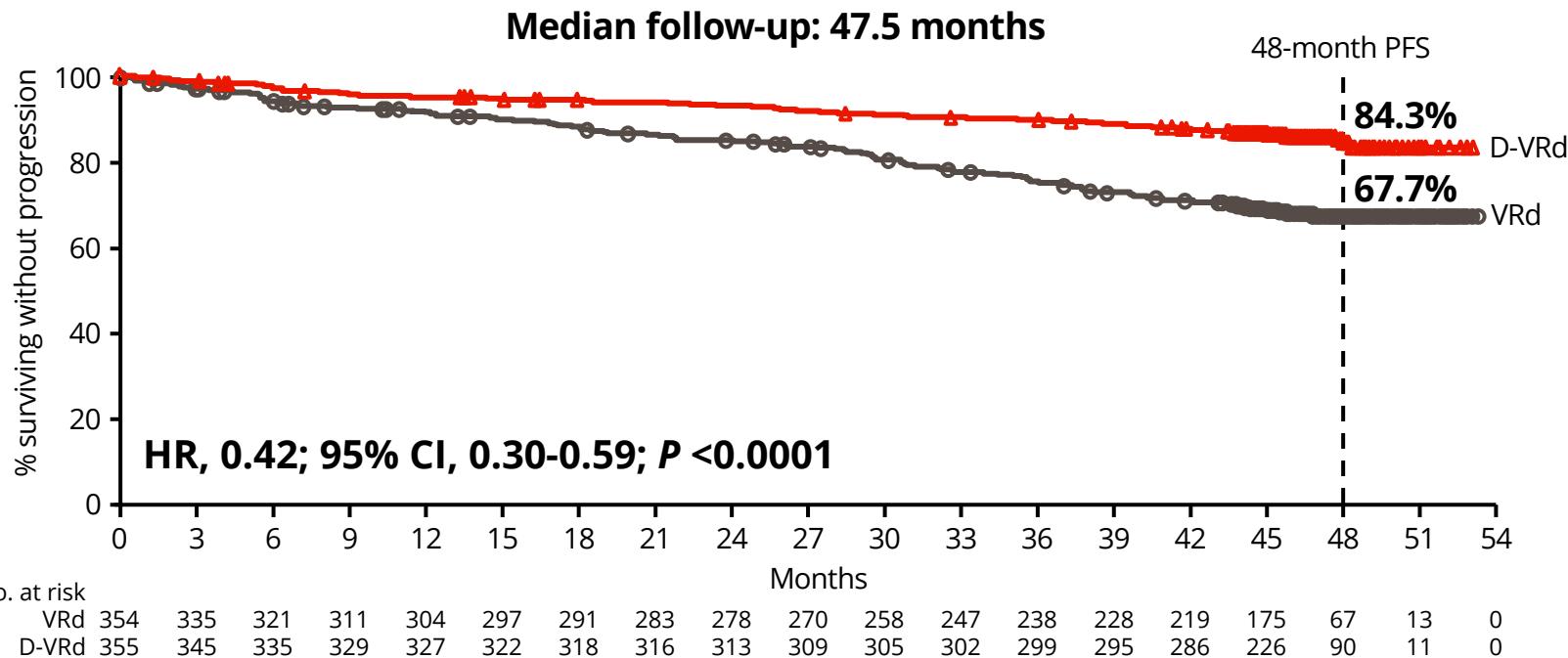


- Deep and durable MRD negativity was achieved with D-VRd
- 64% (207/322) of patients receiving maintenance in the D-VRd group discontinued DARA after achieving sustained MRD negativity per protocol^d

^aMRD-negativity rate was defined as the proportion of patients who achieved both MRD negativity and \geq CR. MRD was assessed using bone marrow aspirates and evaluated via next-generation sequencing (clonoSEQ assay, version 2.0; Adaptive Biotechnologies, Seattle, WA). ^bP values were calculated with the use of the stratified Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel chi-squared test. ^cP value was calculated with the use of Fisher's exact test. ^dAfter ≥ 24 months of maintenance therapy, DARA was discontinued in patients who achieved \geq CR and sustained MRD negativity (10^{-5}) for ≥ 12 months.



PERSEUS: Progression-free Survival



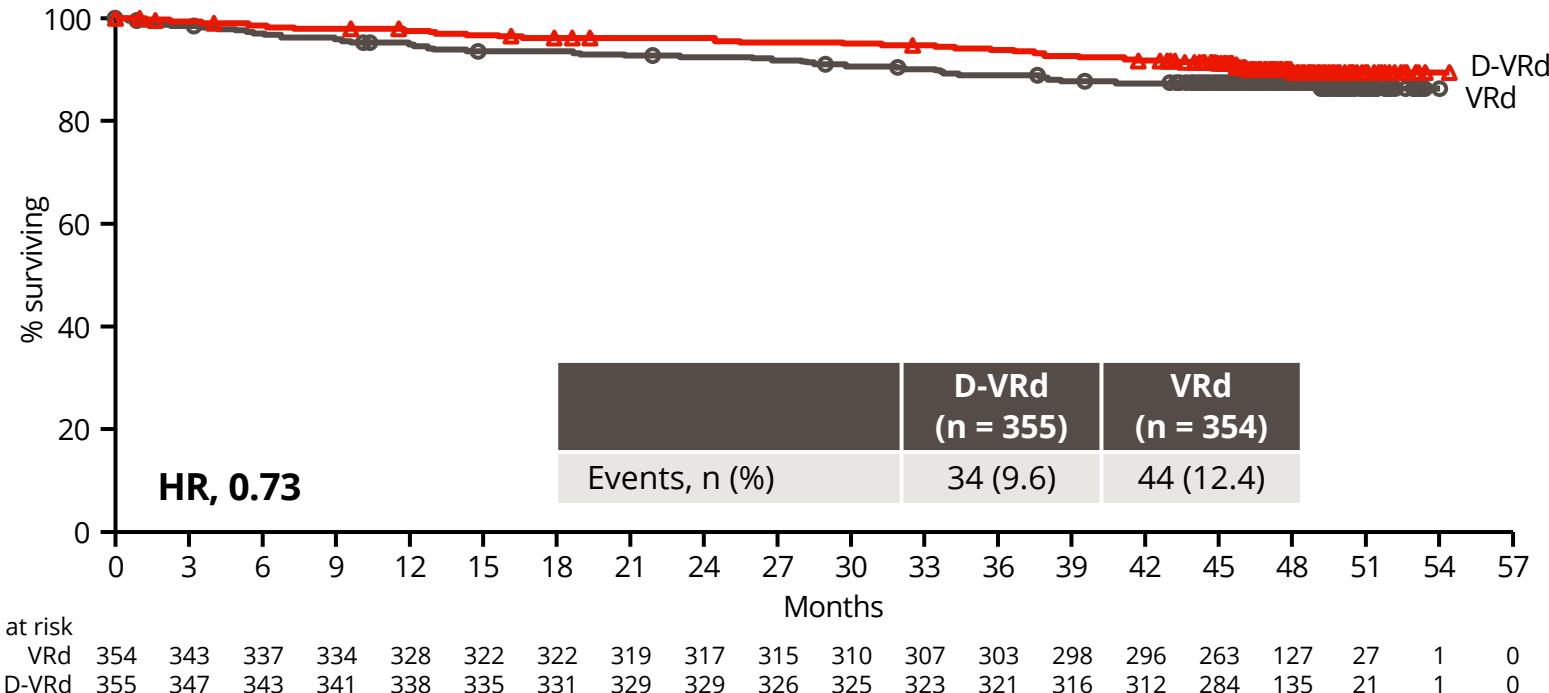
- 58% reduction in the risk of progression or death in patients receiving D-VRd

HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

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PERSEUS: Overall Survival



- OS data trend favorably for D-VRd



PERSEUS: Safety

Event, n (%) ^a	D-VRd (n = 351)		VRd (n = 347)	
	Any grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any grade	Grade 3 or 4
HEMATOLOGIC				
Neutropenia	243 (69.2)	218 (62.1)	204 (58.8)	177 (51.0)
Thrombocytopenia	170 (48.4)	102 (29.1)	119 (34.3)	60 (17.3)
Anemia	78 (22.2)	21 (6.0)	72 (20.7)	22 (6.3)
Febrile neutropenia	34 (9.7)	33 (9.4)	38 (11.0)	35 (10.1)
NON-HEMATOLOGIC				
Diarrhea	214 (61.0)	37 (10.5)	188 (54.2)	27 (7.8)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	188 (53.6)	15 (4.3)	179 (51.6)	14 (4.0)
Constipation	119 (33.9)	8 (2.3)	118 (34.0)	6 (1.7)
Pyrexia	111 (31.6)	8 (2.3)	109 (31.4)	9 (2.6)
Insomnia	95 (27.1)	8 (2.3)	61 (17.6)	6 (1.7)
Asthenia	94 (26.8)	12 (3.4)	89 (25.6)	9 (2.6)
Cough	85 (24.2)	1 (0.3)	51 (14.7)	0
Fatigue	84 (23.9)	10 (2.8)	92 (26.5)	18 (5.2)
Rash	82 (23.4)	9 (2.6)	94 (27.1)	17 (4.9)
Back pain	80 (22.8)	2 (0.6)	66 (19.0)	1 (0.3)
Peripheral edema	72 (20.5)	4 (1.1)	74 (21.3)	1 (0.3)
Nausea	71 (20.2)	2 (0.6)	58 (16.7)	2 (0.6)
Infections	305 (86.9)	124 (35.3)	266 (76.7)	95 (27.4)
COVID-19	123 (35.0)	12 (3.4)	83 (23.9)	4 (1.2)
Upper respiratory tract infection	111 (31.6)	2 (0.6)	87 (25.1)	6 (1.7)
Pneumonia	64 (18.2)	37 (10.5)	38 (11.0)	21 (6.1)

TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event. ^aTEAEs of any grade reported in ≥20% of patients in either treatment group and grade 3 or 4 TEAEs reported in ≥10% of patients in either treatment group.

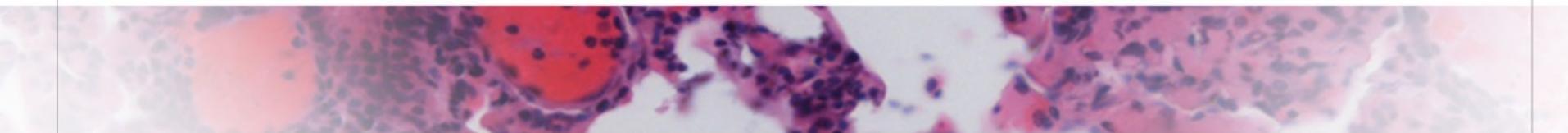
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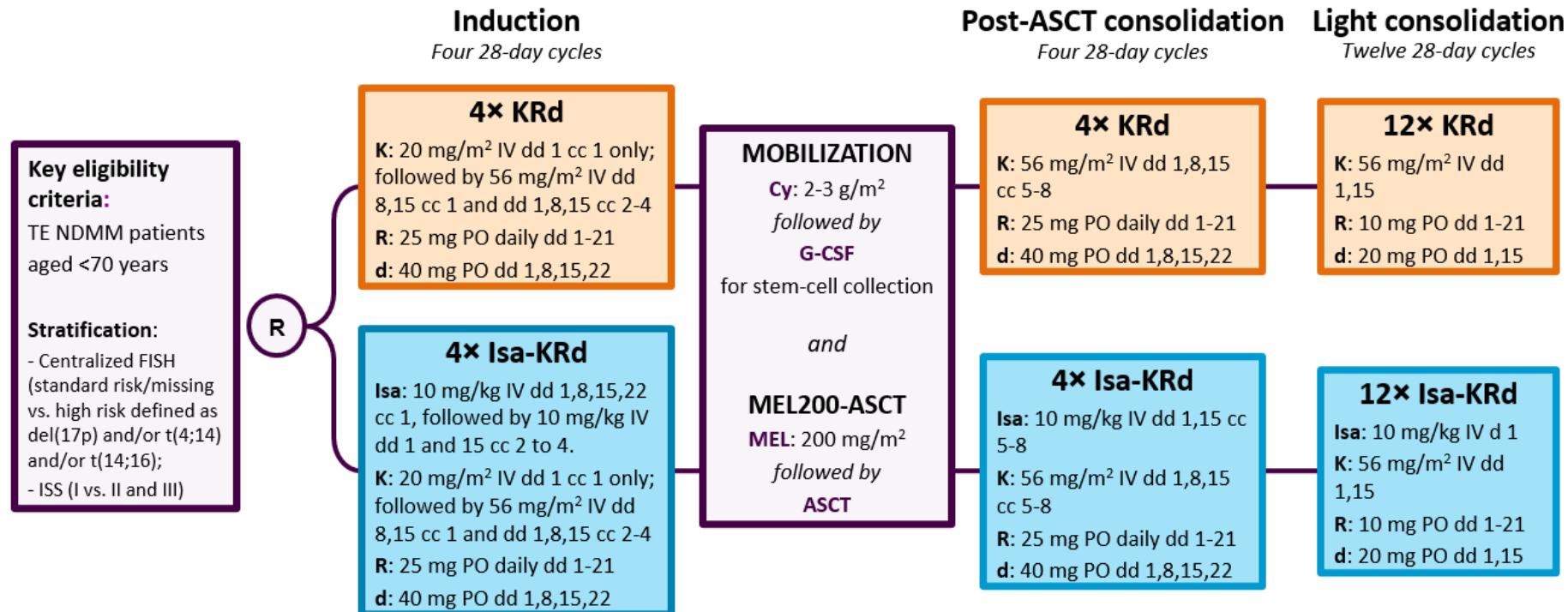
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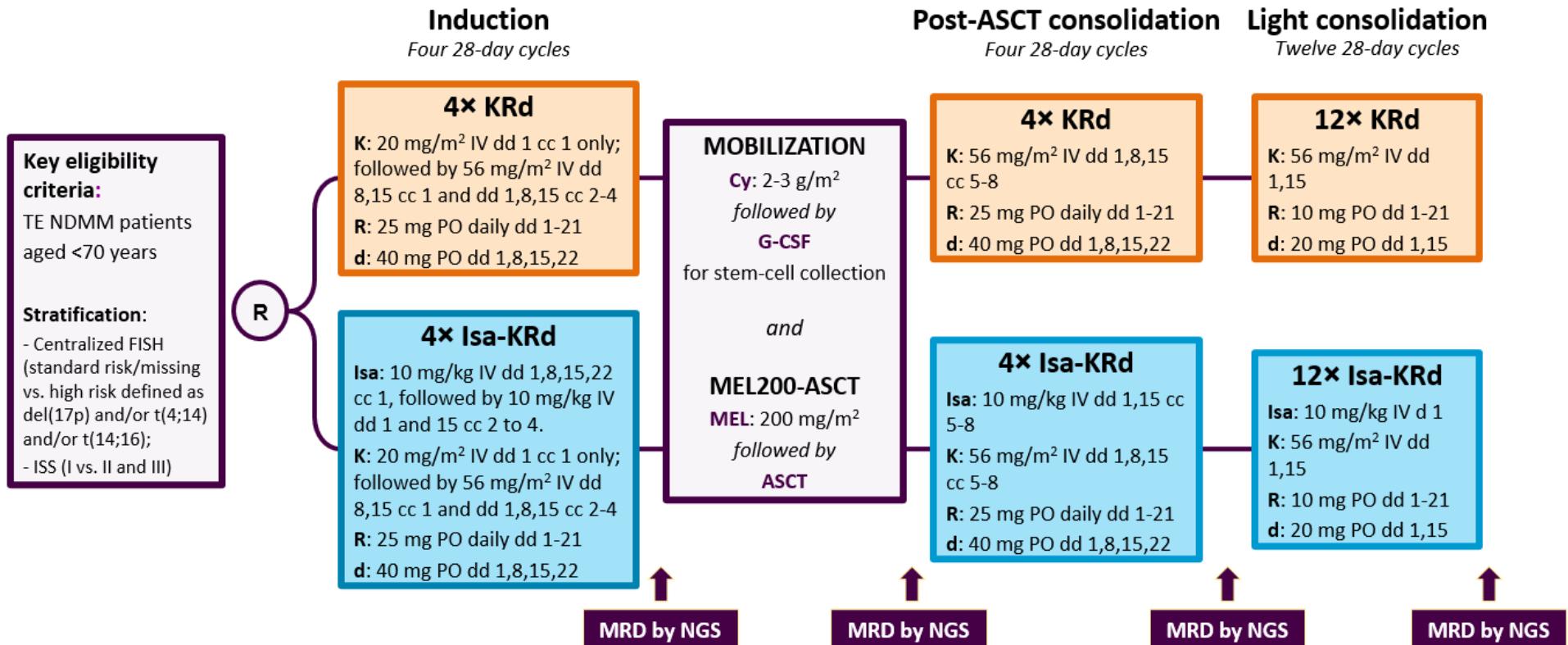
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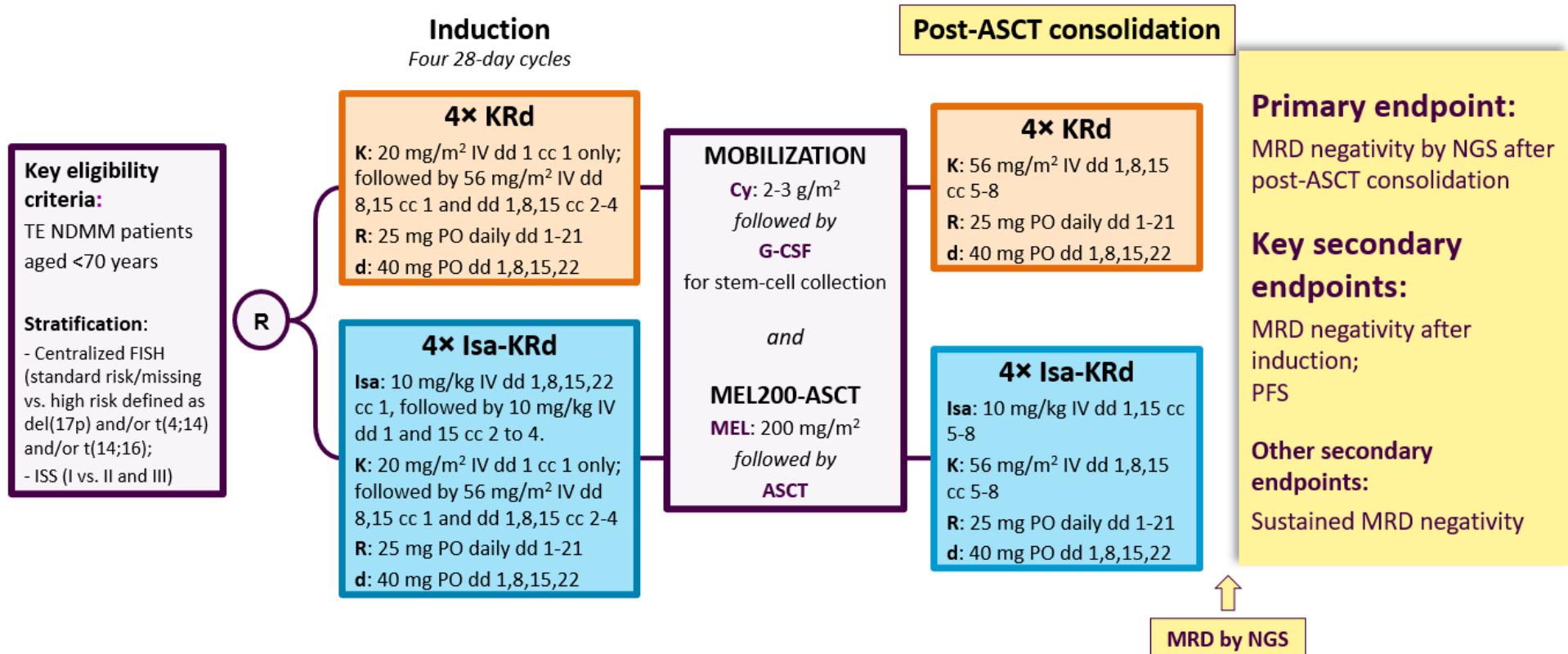


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Age, years	Median (IQR)	61 (55–66)	60 (54–63)
Sex, n (%)	Female Male	72 (48) 79 (52)	67 (44) 84 (56)
Cytogenetic risk as per IMWG, n (%) <i>High risk: t(4;14), t(14;16), or del(17p)</i>	Standard risk High risk Missing	115 (82) 25 (18) 11	113 (81) 26 (19) 12
No. of HRCA risk: 0 vs. 1 vs. 2+ HRCA, n (%) <i>del(17p13.1), t(4;14) (p16.3;q32.3), t(14;16) (q32.3;q23), gain(1q21), or amp(1q21)</i>	0 HRCA 1 HRCA 2+ HRCA Missing	78 (56) 49 (35) 13 (9) 11	75 (54) 49 (35) 15 (11) 12
R-ISS, n (%)	I II III Missing	50 (35) 82 (58) 10 (7) 9	48 (34) 85 (59) 10 (7) 8
R2-ISS, n (%)	I II III IV Missing	34 (24) 45 (32) 52 (37) 8 (6) 12	35 (25) 47 (34) 51 (37) 6 (4) 12

% are calculated on the number of patients whose data were available.; % may not total 100 because of rounding

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	2+ HRCA	13 (9)	15 (11)
	Missing	11	12
R-ISS, n (%)	I	50 (35)	48 (34)
	II	82 (58)	85 (59)
	III	10 (7)	10 (7)
	Missing	9	8
R2-ISS, n (%)	I	34 (24)	35 (25)
	II	45 (32)	47 (34)
	III	52 (37)	51 (37)
	IV	8 (6)	6 (4)
	Missing	12	12

% are calculated on the number of patients whose data were available.; % may not total 100 because of rounding

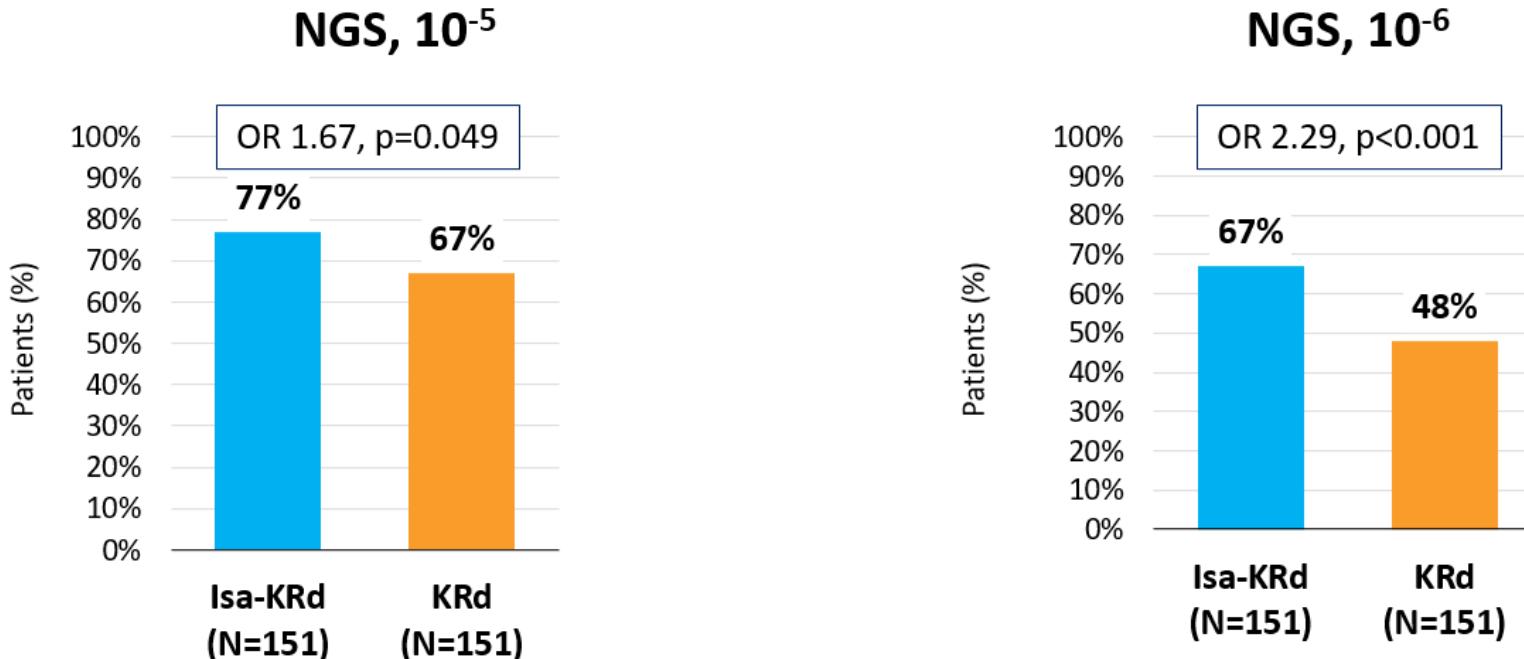
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Primary Endpoint: Post-consolidation MRD negativity (ITT analysis)



\geq VGPR after consolidation was 94% in both arms; \geq CR 74% vs 72% and sCR 64% vs 67% in the IsaKRd vs KRd arms.

Consistent MRD results were detected by next-generation flow

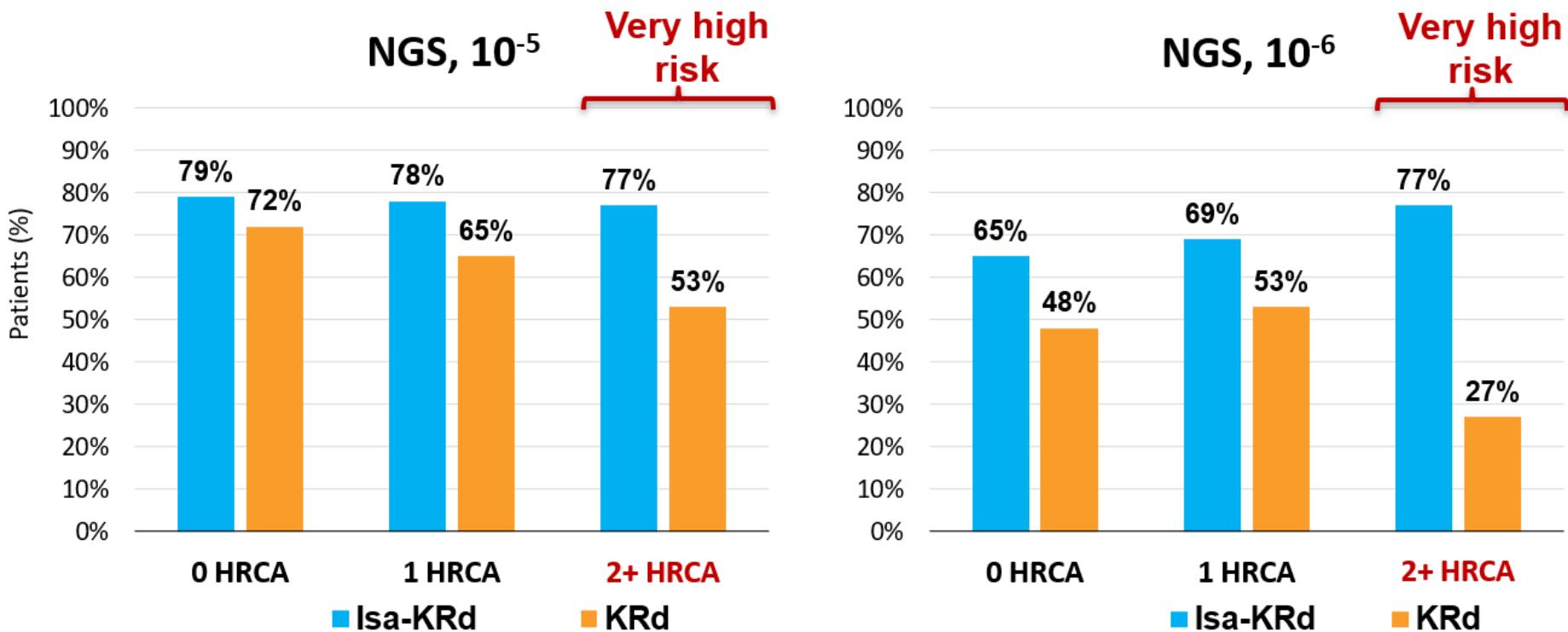
In the logistic regression analysis, ORs, 95% CIs, and p-values were adjusted for stratification factor.



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Post-consolidation MRD negativity by NGS

Subgroup analysis by cytogenetic risk



1 HRCA was defined as the presence of one of the following high-risk cytogenetic abnormalities: del(17p13.1), t(4;14) (p16.3;q32.3), t(14;16) (q32.3;q23), gain(1q21), or amp(1q21); 2+ HRCA was defined as the presence of at least two high-risk cytogenetic abnormalities.



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MRD, minimal residual disease; NGS, next-generation sequencing; HRCA, high-risk cytogenetic abnormalities; Isa, isatuximab; K, carfilzomib; R, lenalidomide; d, dexamethasone; del, deletion; t, translocation; amp, amplification.

Safety analysis: treatment-related adverse events

	Isa-KRd (n=151)	KRd (n=151)		
Pts with ≥1 hematologic toxicity	Any grade, n (%)	Grade 3-4, n (%)	Any grade, n (%)	Grade 3-4, n (%)
Anemia	83 (55)	61 (40)	67 (44)	46 (30)
Neutropenia	32 (21)	5 (3)	28 (19)	5 (3)
Thrombocytopenia	62 (41)	55 (36)*	39 (26)	33 (22)*
Pts with ≥1 Non-Hematologic toxicity	Any grade, n (%)	Grade 3-4, n (%)	Any grade, n (%)	Grade 3-4, n (%)
Infections (excluding COVID19)	136 (90)	61 (41)	129 (85)	56 (37)
Asthenia/fatigue	55 (36)	23 (15)	49 (32)	17 (11)
Dyspnea	37 (25)	5 (3)	40 (26)	3 (2)
Rash	20 (13)	2 (1)	9 (6)	1 (<1)
Peripheral neuropathy	33 (22)	5 (3)	40 (26)	5 (3)
Infusion-related reactions	22 (15)	0	25 (17)	0
Cardiac disorders	30 (20)	5 (3)	2 (1)	0
Vascular disorders	11 (7)	1 (<1)	19 (13)	5 (3)
Hypertension	29 (19)	7 (5)	33 (22)	15 (10)
Thromboembolism	5 (3)	2 (1)	6 (4)	3 (2)
Gastrointestinal disorders	12 (8)	4 (3)	16 (11)	9 (6)
Nausea	79 (52)	10 (7)	73 (48)	8 (5)
Vomiting	36 (24)	4 (3)	31 (21)	2 (1)
Diarrhea	18 (12)	2 (1)	12 (8)	1 (<1)
	41 (27)	6 (4)	37 (25)	5 (3)

SARS-CoV-2 infection

Isa-KRd (n=151)	KRd (n=151)		
Any grade, n (%)	Grade ≥3, n (%)	Any grade, n (%)	Grade ≥3, n (%)
39 (26)	3 (2)	28 (19)	2 (1)

*p-value =0.008



Daratumumab Carfilzomib Lenalidomide and Dexamethasone induction and consolidation with tandem transplant in high-risk newly diagnosed myeloma patients: results of the phase 2 study IFM 2018-04

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2018-04 Study design

Key inclusion criteria:

- Age < 66
- Newly diagnosed multiple myeloma
- Transplant-eligible
- High-risk FISH : t(4;14), 17p Del, t(14;16)
- ECOG 0-2

Objectives:

- **Primary Objective :** Feasibility
primary endpoint : >70% patients receiving 2nd transplant
- **Secondary Objectives:** Safety, ORR, PFS, OS, stem-cell collection



Dara : 16 mg/kg IV D1,8,15,22 (cycle 1 and 2) D1 D15 (Cycle 3 to 6) K : (20)36 mg/m ² IV D1-2, 8-9, 15-16 Len : 25 mg D1-21 Dex : 20 mg D1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23				
	28-day cycle			

Cyclo GCSF +/- Plerix	Mel 200	Dara : 16 mg/kg IV D1 D15 K : 56 mg/m ² IV D1, 8, 15 Len : 15 mg D1-21 Dex : 40 mg D1, 8, 15, 22	
		28-day cycle	

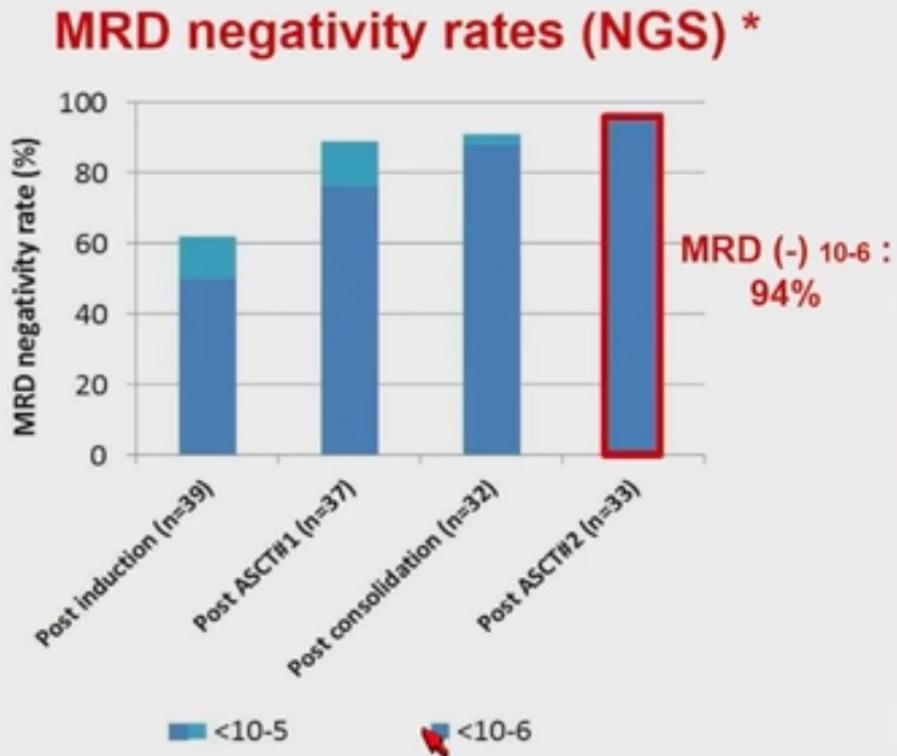
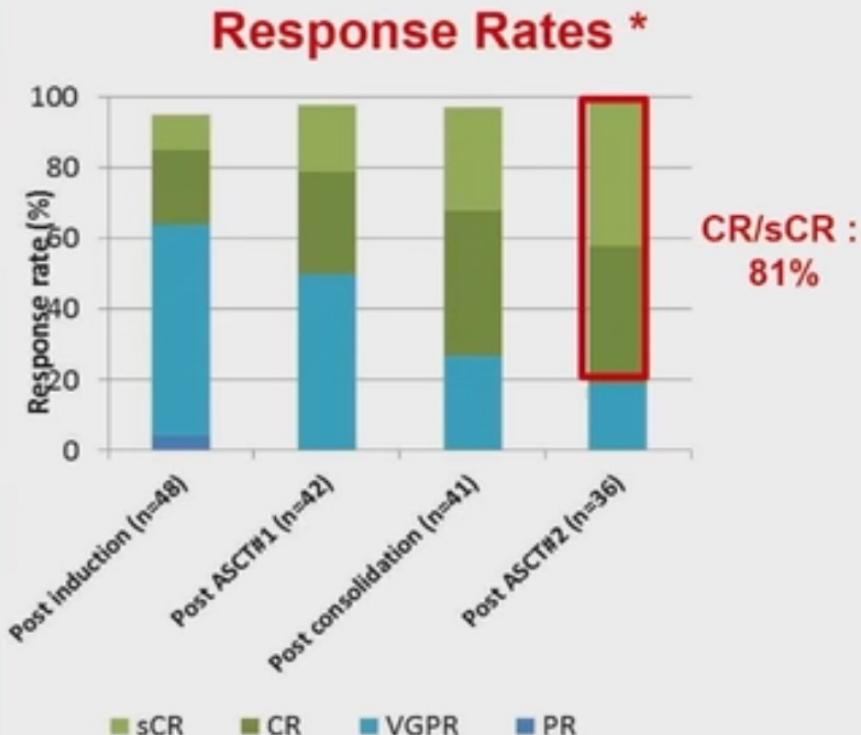
Dara : 16 mg/kg IV every 8 weeks Len : 10 mg 21/28

Baseline characteristics

	N=50	N=50
Median age (range), years	57 (38-65)	
ECOG PS		
0-1	47 (94%)	
2	3 (6%)	
ISS score		
stage 1	21 (42%)	
stage 2	17 (34%)	
stage 3	12 (24%)	
R-ISS score		
stage 2	38 (76%)	
stage 3	12 (24%)	
Extramedullary disease		4 (8%)
primary PCL		3 (6%)
High-risk (HR) cytogenetics		50 (100%)
del(17p)		20 (40%)
t(4;14)		26 (52%)
t(14;16)		10 (20%)
gain(1q)		25 (50%)
del(1p)		6 (12%)
≥2 HR cytogenetic abnormalities *		30 (60%)

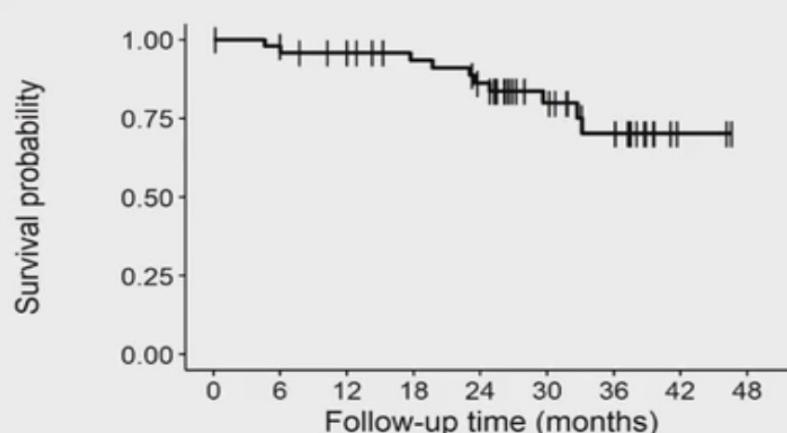
* defined by the presence of 2 HR abnormalities among del(17p), t(4;14), t(14;16), gain(1q), del(1p)

Response rates and MRD



Progression-free and Overall Survival

Progression-free survival

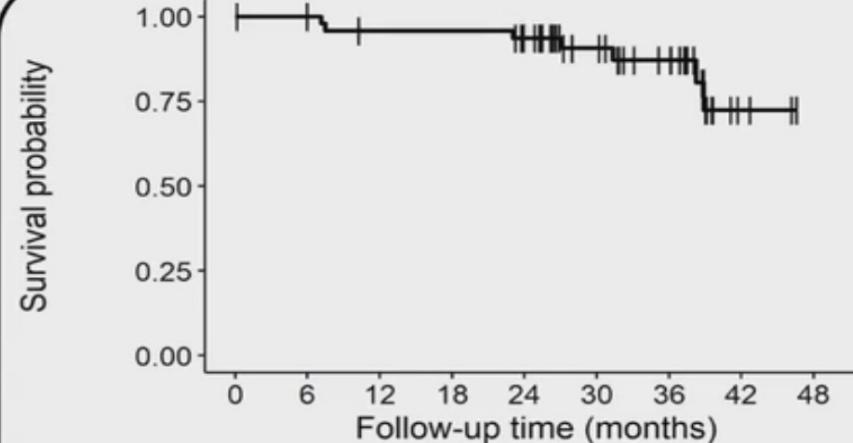


24-month PFS : 86% (77% - 97%)

30-month PFS : 80% (68% - 94%)

8 patients had disease progression

Overall Survival



24-month OS : 94% (87% - 100%)

30-month OS : 91% (82% - 100%)

7 patients died : disease prog (n=5) ; SAE (n=2)



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Median follow-up : 32 months

Data cut-off: may 2023

Safety of Dara-KRd as induction/consolidation

Hematologic treatment related AE:

	Any grade n(%)	Grade 3/4 n(%)
Neutropenia	24 (48%)	22 (44%)
Anemia	17 (34%)	11 (22%)
Thrombocytopenia	18 (36%)	12 (24%)

AE leading to study discontinuation (n=4):

- COVID-19 infection (n=2)
- tumor lysis syndrome (n=1)
- JC virus infection (n=1)

AE leading to death (n=2)

- Septic shock (n=1) (induction cycle 6)
- JC virus infection (n=1) (maintenance)

Most common non-hematologic treatment related AE:

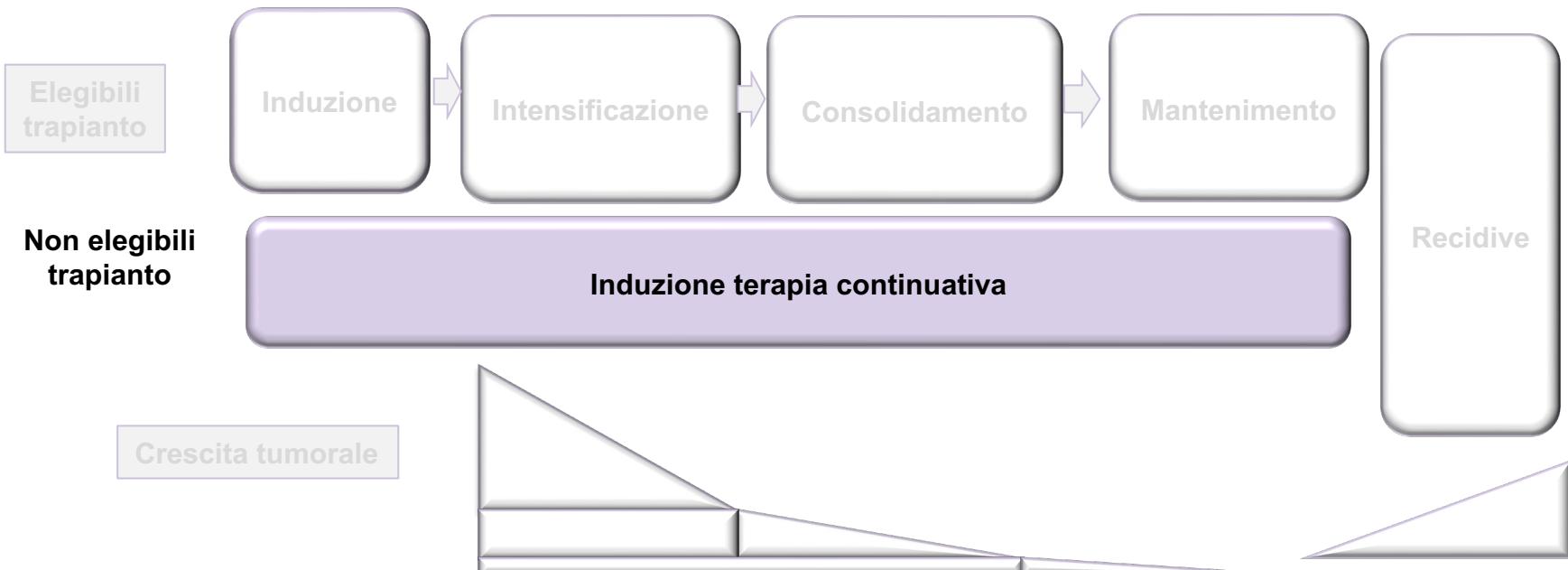
	Any grade n(%)	Grade 3/4 n(%)
Infection	32 (64%)	7 (14%)
GI disorders	31 (62%)	5 (10%)
Skin rash	9 (18%)	0
Peripheral neuropathy	10 (20%)	0
Deep-vein thrombosis	6 (12%)	2 (4%)
Hepatic cytolysis	6 (12%)	3 (6%)
Renal failure	6 (12%)	3 (6%)
Hypertension	5 (10%)	2 (4%)
Cardiac event	2 (4%)	0



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MM paradigma di trattamento





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Carfilzomib-Lenalidomide-Dexamethasone (KRd) Vs. Lenalidomide-Dexamethasone (Rd) in Newly Diagnosed Fit or Intermediate-Fit Multiple Myeloma Patients Not Eligible for Autologous Stem-Cell Transplantation (Phase III EMN20 Trial): Analysis of Sustained Undetectable Minimal Residual Disease (MRD)

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Study design

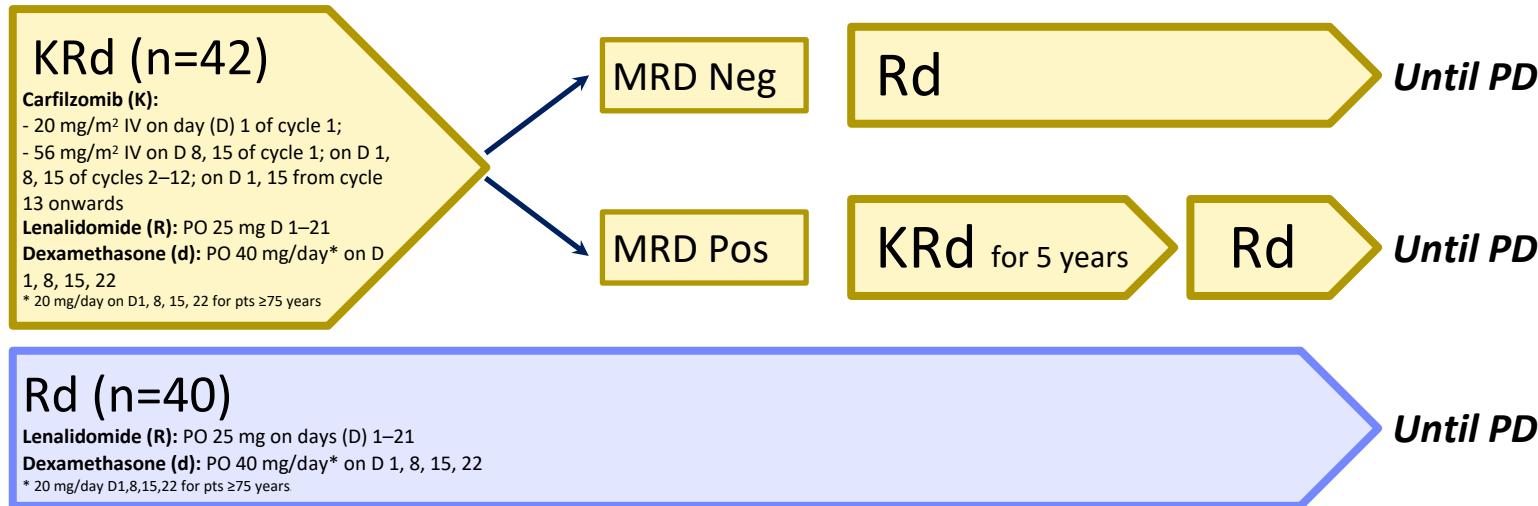
Randomized, multicenter, phase III EMN20 trial (NCT04096066): KRd vs. Rd

NTE NDMM
fit/intermediate-fit
patients
N=82



1:1 Randomization

Stratification for:
• ISS
• Fitness



Screening

After 1 yr

After 2 yrs

↑
MRD

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MRD



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NTE, transplant-ineligible; NDMM, newly diagnosed multiple myeloma; K, carfilzomib; R, lenalidomide; d, dexamethasone; IV, intravenously; D, days; PO, orally; pts, patients; MRD, minimal residual disease; Neg, negative; Pos, positive; yr, year; PD, progressive disease.

Endpoints

- **Primary endpoints:** MRD after 2 years of treatment and PFS
 - MRD assessment: clonoSEQ®* assay, sensitivity of $\geq 10^{-5}$
 - MRD assessment performed after 1 and 2 years of study therapy in patients who achieved \geq VGPR
 - MRD negativity rate: proportion of MRD-negative patients (sensitivity of $\geq 10^{-5}$) at 2 years of treatment
- **Key secondary endpoints:** response rates, overall survival, and safety
- On Nov 23, 2021, the **protocol** was prematurely **stopped** after the introduction of frontline Dara-Rd



Baseline characteristics

	KRd (n=42)	Rd (n=40)
Age median, years (IQR) 76-80 years, n (%)	73 (70-76) 11 (26)	74 (72-76) 13 (22)
ISS stage, n (%)		
I	11 (26)	10 (25)
II	17 (40)	18 (45)
III	14 (33)	12 (30)
Cytogenetic risk, n (%)		
Standard	28 (78)	29 (78)
High*	8 (22)	8 (22)
Missing	6	3
Frailty status, n (%)		
Fit	26 (62)	22 (55)
Intermediate-fit	16 (38)	18 (45)
Frail	0	0

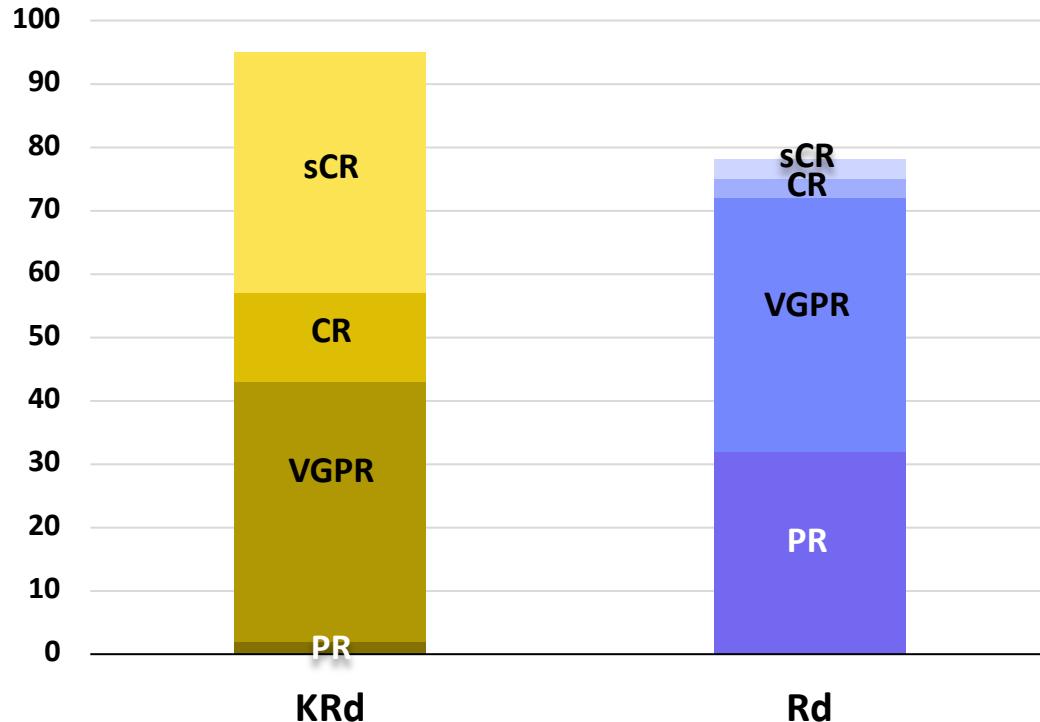
*Cytogenetic risk was defined as the presence of del(17p) or t(4;14) or t(14;16).



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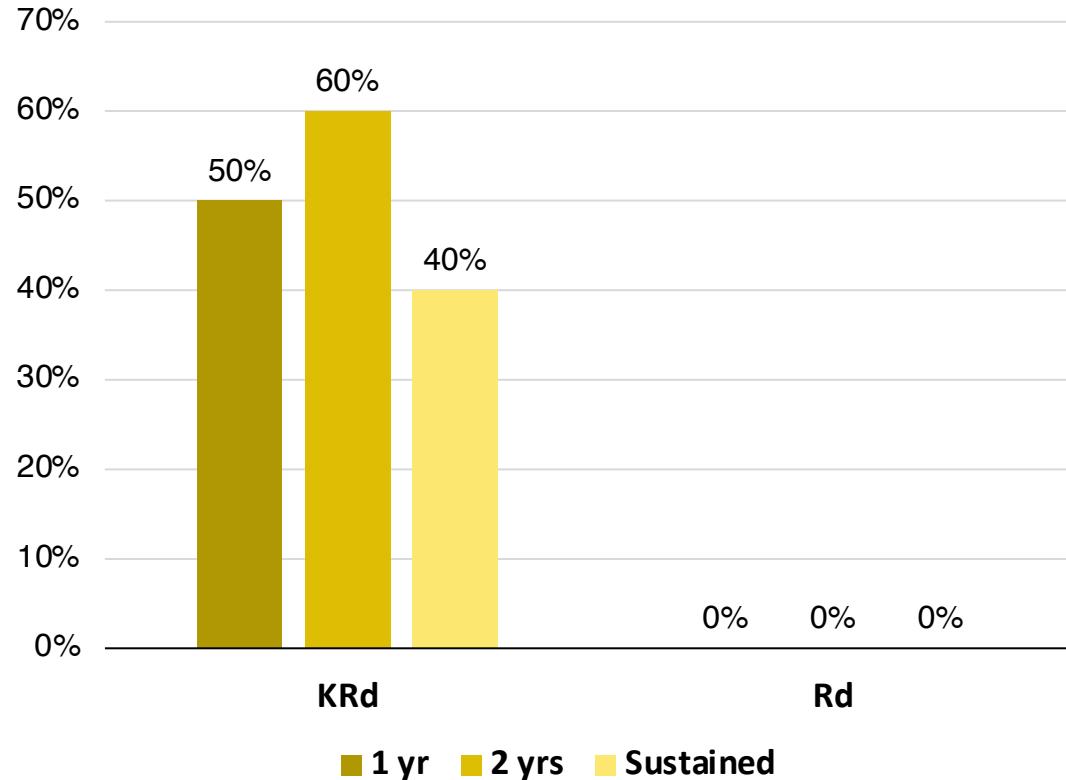
Response rates



	KRd n=42	Rd n=40	p-value
≥PR	40 (95%)	31 (78%)	0.04
≥VGPR	39 (93%)	18 (45%)	<0.0001
≥CR	22 (52%)	2 (5%)	0.0002



MRD negativity rates



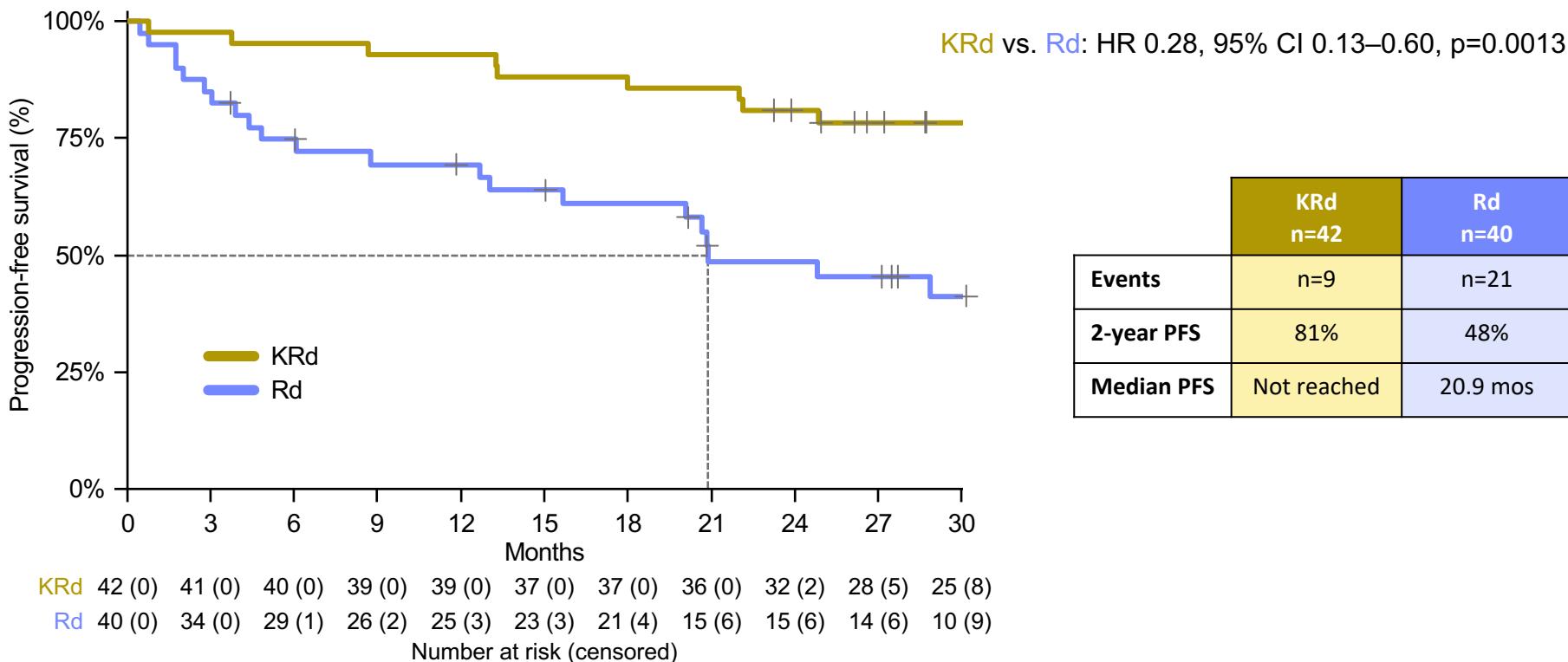
	KRd n=42	Rd n=40	p-value
At 1 year	21 (50%)	0 (0)	<0.0001
At 2 years	25 (60%)	0 (0)	<0.0001
Sustained	17 (40%)	0 (0)	<0.0001

Sustained MRD negativity was defined as 2 consecutive MRD-negative test results, the first achieved after 12 months of treatment and the second at least 12 months apart.



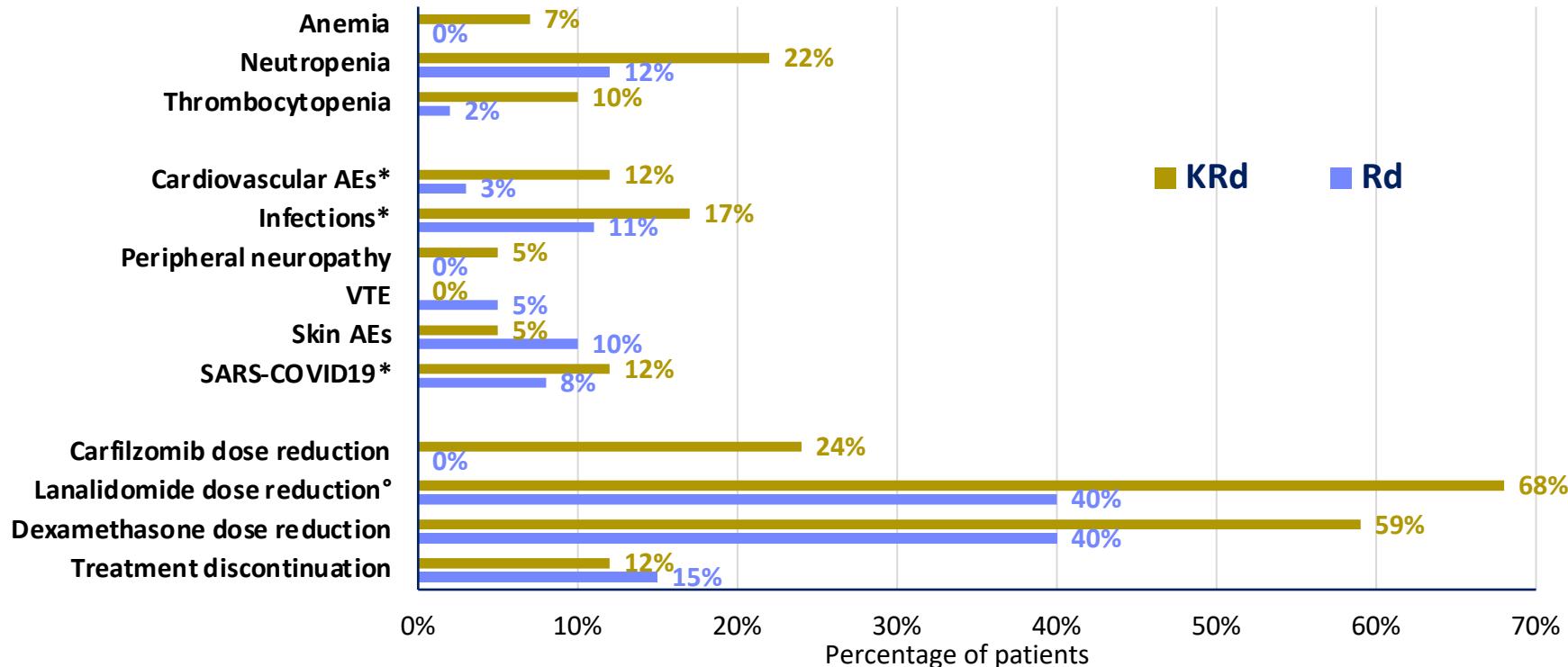
Progression-free survival

Median follow-up: 31.4 months (IQR 25–34)



Safety

Grade 3–5 adverse events and dose modification



*KRd: 3 G5 AEs (3 due to COVID19 infection); Rd: 3 G5 AEs (1 due to cardiac AE, 1 due to COVID19 and 1 due to infection)

°*p*-value < 0.01



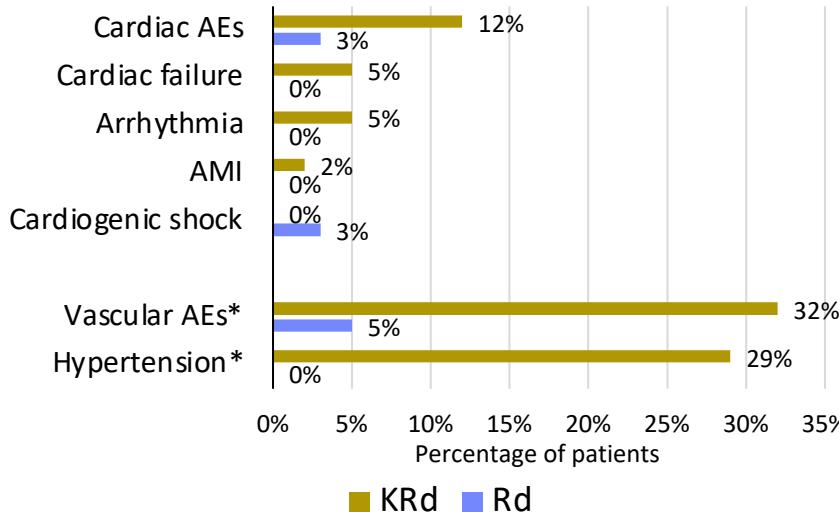
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K, carfilzomib; R, lenalidomide; d, dexamethasone; AEs, adverse events; VTE, venous thromboembolism; G, grade.

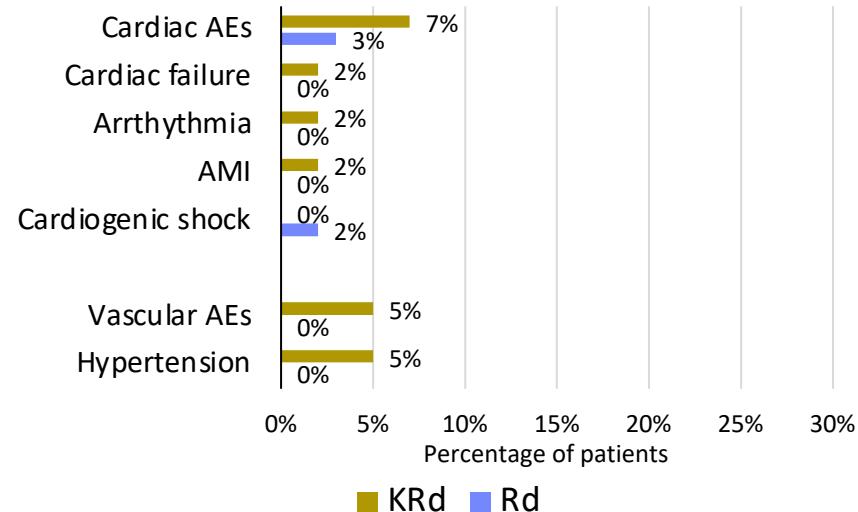
Safety

Adverse events of special interest Cardiovascular AEs

All-grade AESI



Grade 3–5 AESI°



°1 G5 AE in the Rd group: 1 cardiogenic shock

*p-value < 0.01



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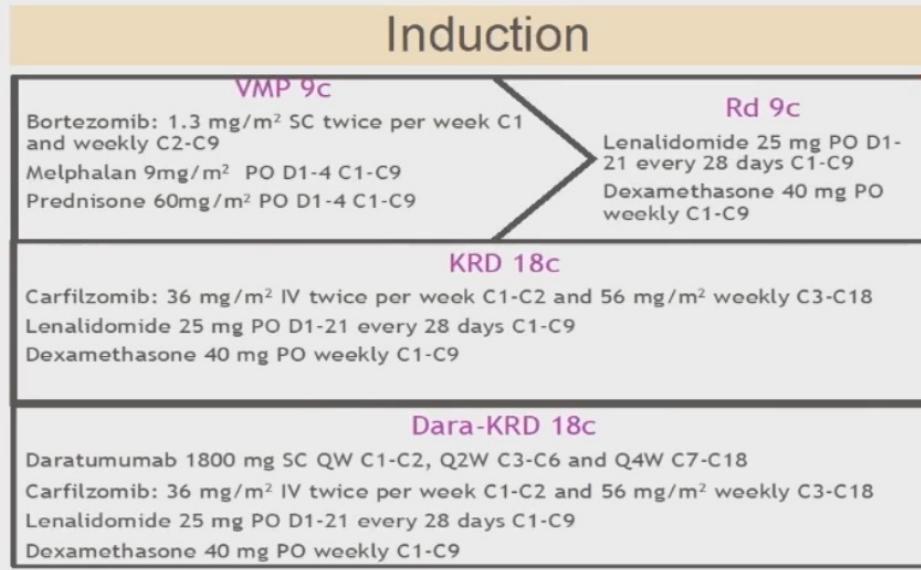
AEs, adverse events; AESI, AEs of special interest; AMI, acute myocardial infarction; K, carfilzomib; R, lenalidomide; d, dexamethasone; G, grade.

GEM-2017FIT: Induction therapy with VMP/Rd vs KRd or Dara-KRd 18c followed by consolidation and maintenance therapy with Dara and Len: phase III, multicenter, randomized trial for elderly FIT NDMM aged between 65 and 80 years

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GEM2017FIT phase 3 trial: VMP-Rd 18c vs KRd or D-KRd 18c in NDMM-TIE and up to 80 years



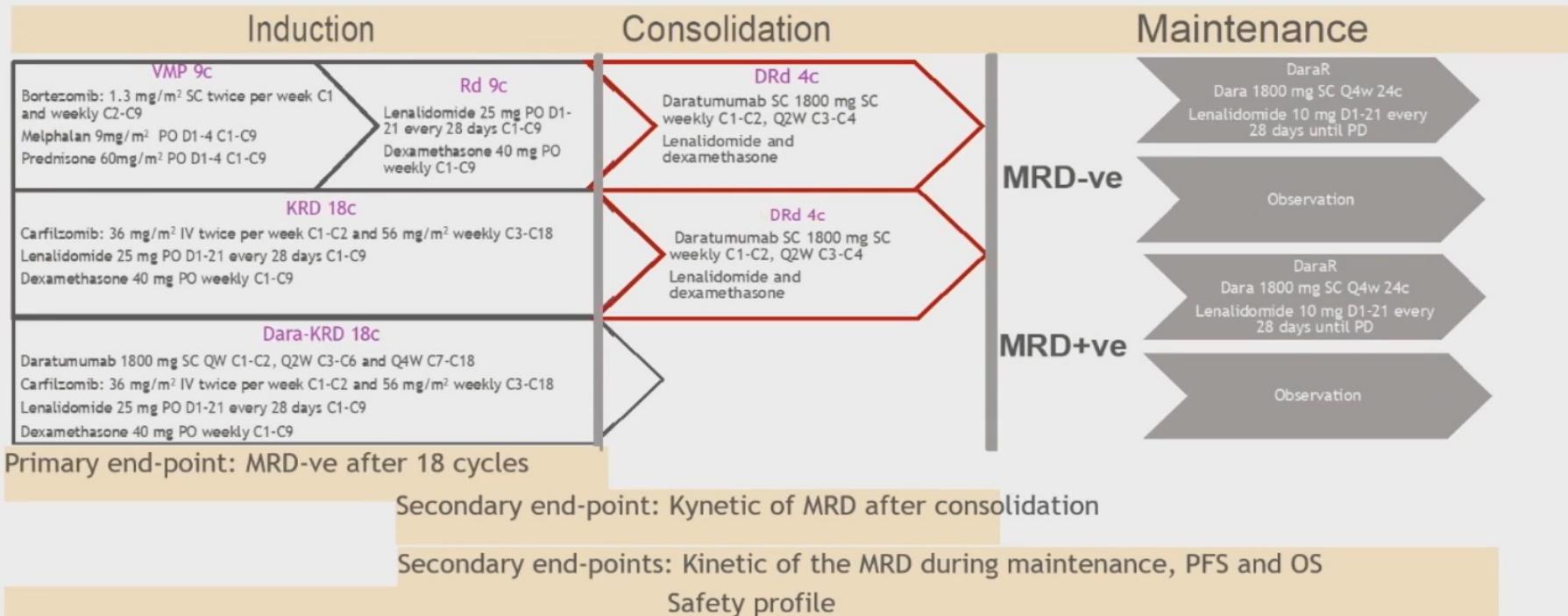
- VMP-Rd in patients younger than 80 years resulted in a MRD-ve rate of 20%
- Hypothesis was to increase the MRD-ve rate up to 35% in the two experimental arms
- Sample size required was 462 patients

Primary end-point: MRD-ve by NGF at 10⁻⁵ after 18 cycles comparing VMP-Rd with KRd and VMP-Rd with D-KRd



Dexamethasone 20 mg in patients older than 75 years

GEM2017FIT phase 3 trial: VMP/Rd 18c vs KRd or D-KRd 18c in NDMM-TIE and up to 80 years



GEM2017 phase 3 trial in NDMM TIE FIT

	VMP 9c-Rd 9c (n=154)	KRD (n=154)	Dara KRd (n=153)
Age, median (range) ≥ 75 years	72 (65-80) 33%	72 (65-80) 34%	73 (66-80) 35%
ISS (I-II/III), %	66/28	68/32	69/28
Extramedullary disease, n (%)	22 (14)	22 (14)	25 (16)
High-risk CA, n (%) - del17/del17p/t(4;14)/t(14;16) - del17/del17p/ t(4;14)/t(14;16)/Gain/amp1q/del1p	12(13%) 43(47%)	15(14%) 54(52%)	18(18%) 53(54%)
GAH score, mean	18,25	19	19,35



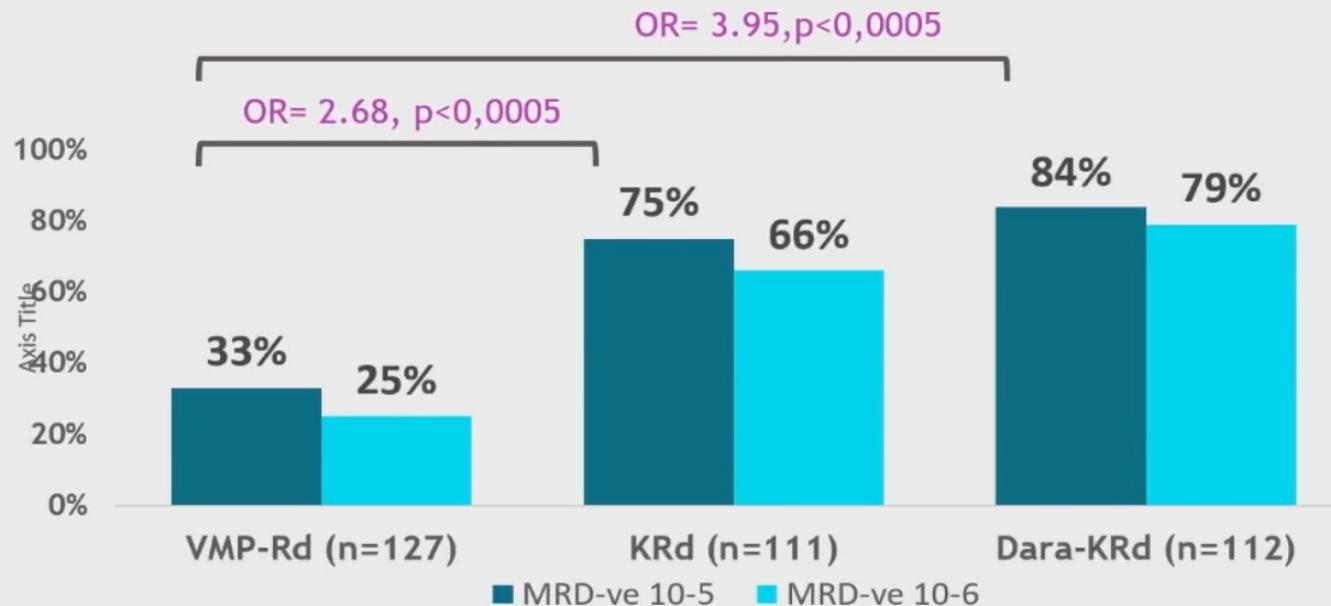
GAH score between 0 and 42 for being FIT



GEM2017 phase 3 trial in NDMM TIE FIT: best response

Response rates, n (%)	VMP 9c-Rd 9c (n=154)	KRd 18c (n=154)	Dara KRd 18c (n=153)
ORR	119 (77%)	126 (82%)	134 (88%)
sCR/CR	59 (38%)	90 (58%) P <0.001	94 (61%) P <0.0001
VGPR	42 (27%)	25 (16%)	38 (25%)
PR	18 (12%)	11 (7%)	3 (2%)
Progressive disease	25 (16%)	11 (7%)	2 (1.3%)
Non evaluable for response	4 (7%)	8 (5%)	8 (5%)

GEM2017 phase 3 trial in NDMM TIE FIT: MRD-ve rate at 10^{-5} after 18 induction cycles in the evaluable population: Primary endpoint

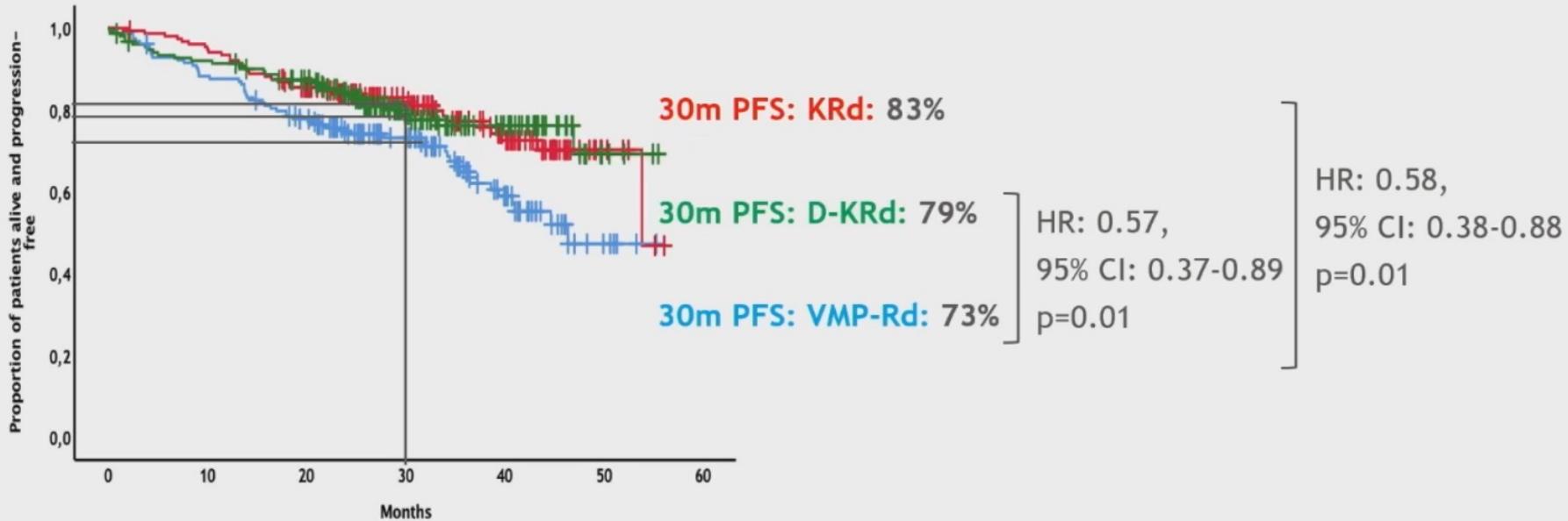


Evaluable population included all patients who have completed the 18 induction cycles as well as those who discontinued early because of progressive disease and the MRD was considered as positive



GEM2017 phase 3 trial in NDMM TIE FIT: Progression-free survival

Median follow-up: 33 months



GEM2017 phase 3 trial in NDMM TIE FIT: Safety Profile

	VMP/Rd (n=154) G3-4	KRd (n=154) G3-4	KRd-Dara (n=153) G3-4
Hematologic toxicity			
- Neutropenia	77(50%)	37(24%)	73 (47%)
- Anemia	17 (11%)	7 (5%)	16 (10%)
- Thrombocytopenia	52(34%)	24 (16%)	26(17%)
Non hematologic toxicity			
- Infusion-related reaction to Dara IV/SC	-	-	Any grade 21 (14%)/1(0.6%)
- GI symptomatology	15 (9%)	11 (7%)	19 (12%)
- Infections	19 (12%)	23 (15%)	25 (16%)
- Rash	3 (2%)	18 (12%)	9 (6%)
- Cardiovascular toxicity +Cardiac failure +Hypertension	8 (5%) 3 (2%) -	17 (11%) 3 (2%) 8 (5%)	21 (14%) 7 (5%) 3 (2%)
Pts requiring reduction of any drug			
- Bortezomib	36 (23%)		
- Melphalan	20 (13%)		
- Lenalidomide	16 (10%)	41 (27%)	35 (23%)
- Dexamethasone	13 (8%)	15 (9%)	12 (8%)
- Carfilzomib		25 (16%)	18 (12%)
Daratumumab			2 pts had to discontinue



Conclusioni

Il raggiungimento della MRD negatività è fortemente associato al ritardo della recidiva di malattia anche nel MM

Una risposta rapida e profonda dopo la terapia di induzione nei pazienti eleggibili al trapianto è molto importante per l'andamento post trapianto

Gli schemi D-VRD e Isa-KRd aumentano la percentuale dei pazienti con risposte più profonde

Anche per i pazienti non eleggibili al trapianto terapie di associazione dei nuovi farmaci aumentano la percentuale di pazienti MDR negativi

Categorizzare meglio i nostri pazienti sulla base della malattia per eseguire trattamenti sempre più mirati