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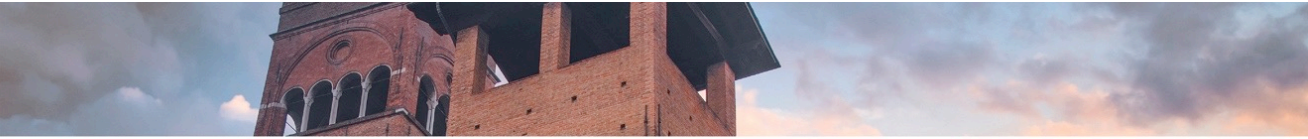
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## Lisocabtagene Maraleucel in Follicular Lymphoma

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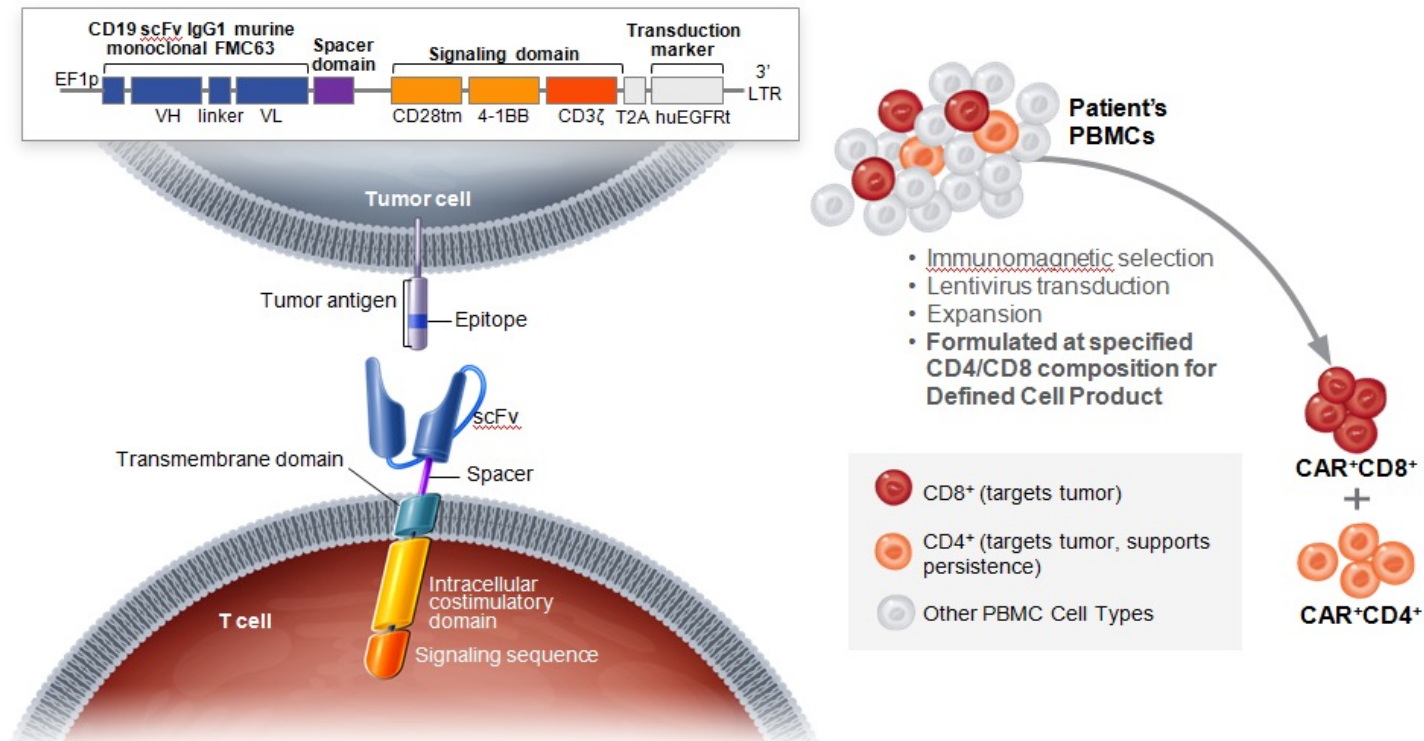


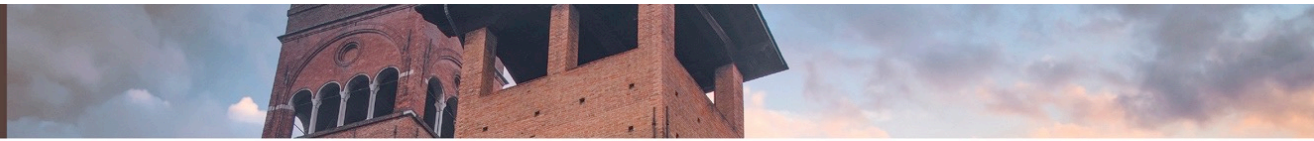


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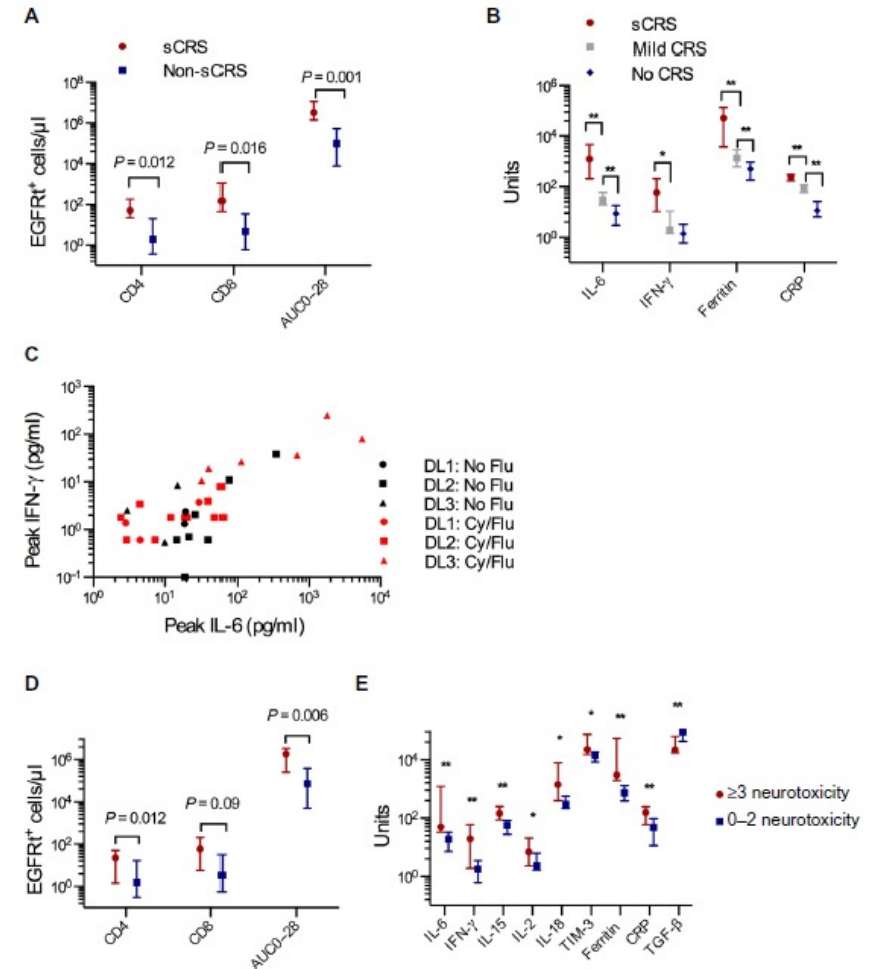




## Immunotherapy of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma with a defined ratio of CD8<sup>+</sup> and CD4<sup>+</sup> CD19-specific chimeric antigen receptor–modified T cells

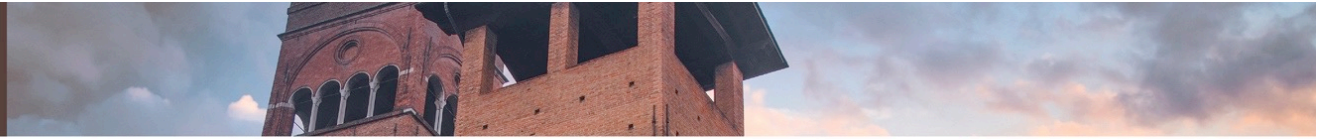
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Hypothesized that a 1:1 CD4+/CD8+ ratio would provide a more uniform CAR-T cell product, result in reproducible in vivo activity, and facilitate identification of factors that correlate with efficacy and toxicity



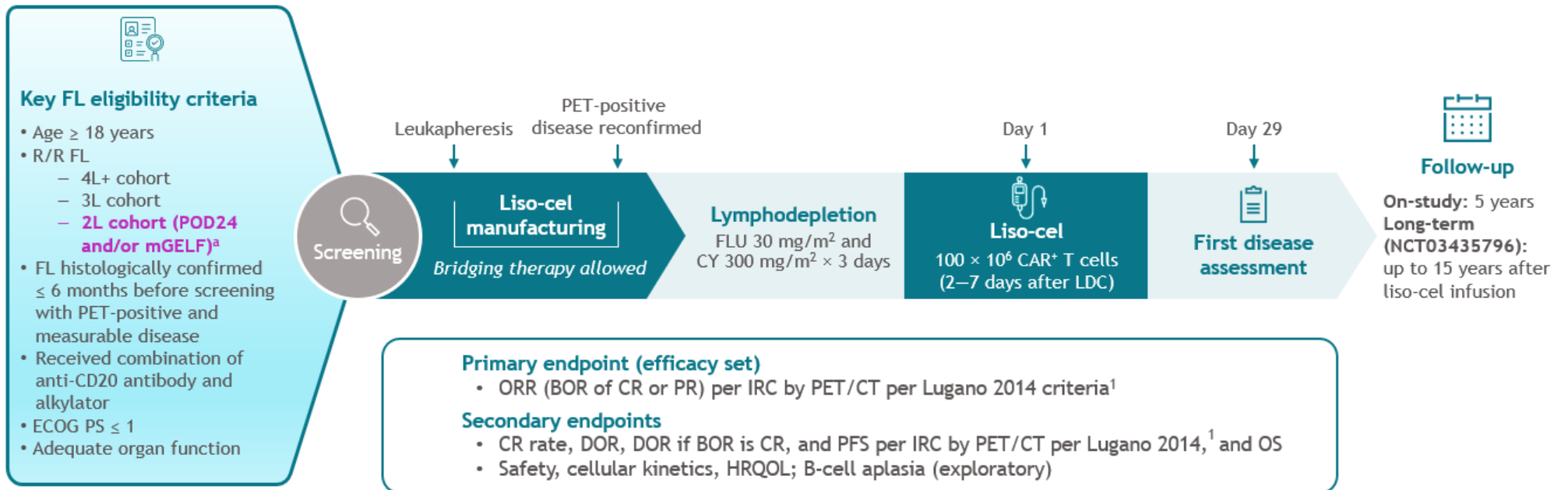
Turtle at *Al. Sci Trans Med*, 2016

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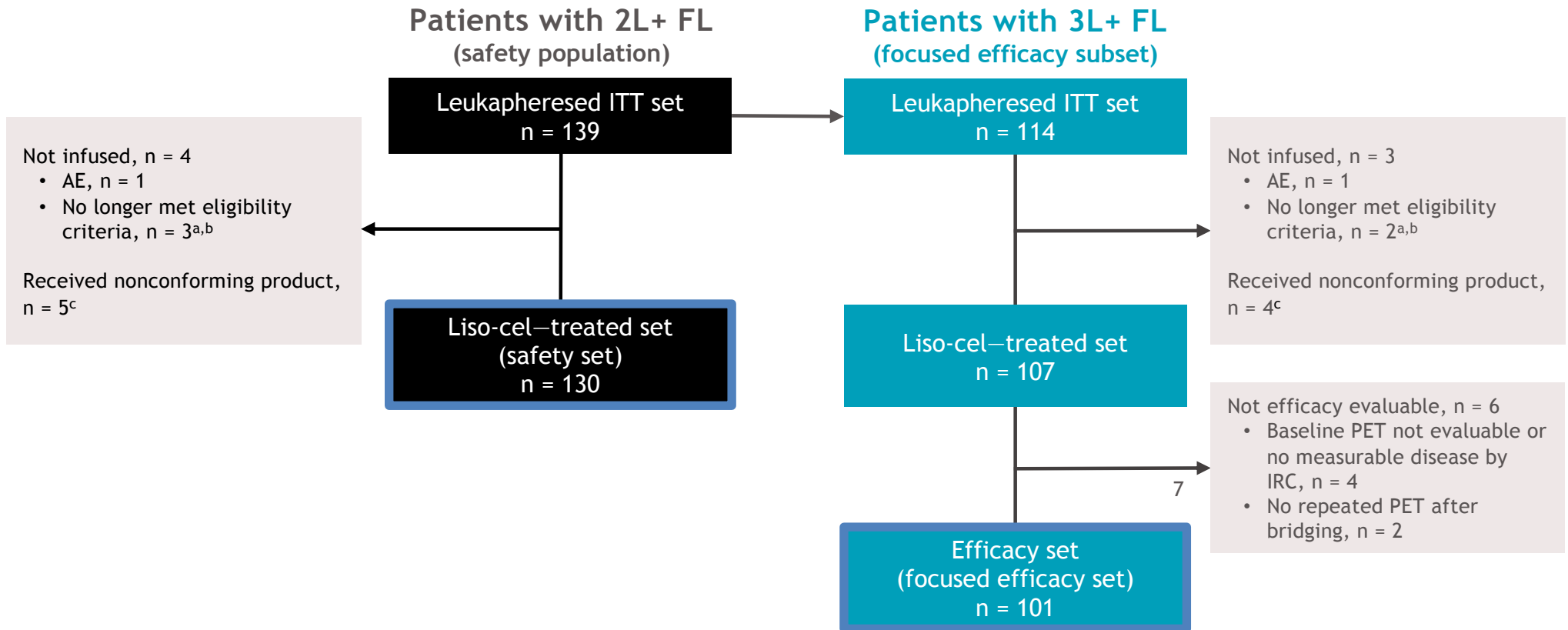


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<b>Construct</b>	FMC-63 murine scFv 41BB costim domain	FMC-63 murine scFv CD28 costim domain	FMC-63 murine scFv 41BB costim domain
<b>Viral transfer</b>	Lentiviral	Gamma retroviral	Lentiviral
<b>Collection</b>	Resting state apheresis, <b>Cryopreserved</b> Bulk cells	Resting state apheresis, Fresh only Bulk cells	Resting state apheresis, Fresh only, Selection CD4 and CD8
<b>Manufacture</b>	CD3/CD28 stim	CD3/CD28 stim	<b>CD4, CD8 selection</b> CD3/CD28 stimulation
<b>Dose administered</b>	0.6-6.0 x 10 <sup>8</sup> CAR-T cells	2 x 10 <sup>6</sup> /kg Max 200 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	100 x 10 <sup>6</sup> (CD4/CD8) in separate vials (1:1)

## TRANSCEND FL: phase 2, open-label, multicenter, multicohort study



- Study endpoints of ORR and CR rate were tested hierarchically with null hypotheses in the following order at 1-sided  $\alpha = 0.025$  significance:
  - Sequence 1: 3L+ FL (ORR  $\leq$  60%), 4L+ FL (ORR  $\leq$  50%), 3L+ FL (CR rate  $\leq$  30%), and 4L+ FL (CR rate  $\leq$  20%); sequence 2: 2L FL (ORR  $\leq$  50%) and 2L FL (CR rate  $\leq$  19%)



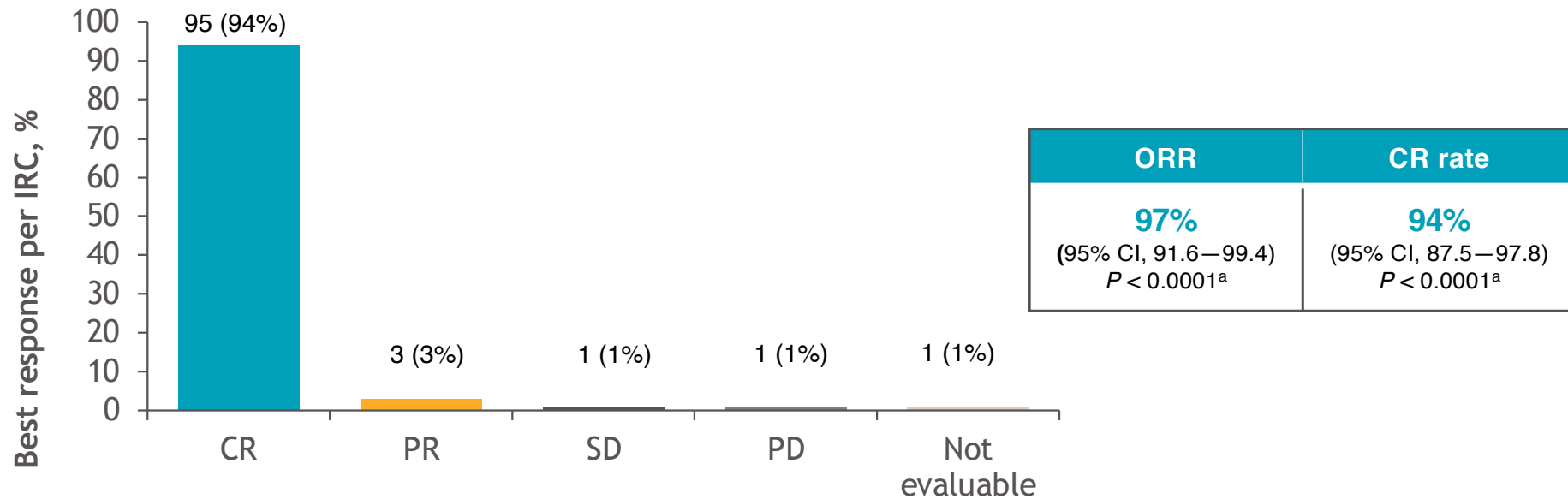
<sup>a</sup>History of transformed FL (n = 1); <sup>b</sup>PET-negative at pretreatment assessment (2L+, n = 2; 3L+, n = 1); <sup>c</sup>Nonconforming product was defined as any product wherein one of the CD8 or CD4 cell components did not meet one of the requirements to be considered liso-cel but was considered appropriate for infusion. ITT, intention to treat.

Patient demographics and baseline characteristics	Liso-cel—treated set <sup>a</sup>	
	2L+ FL (n = 130)	3L+ FL (n = 107)
Median (range) age, y	60 (23–80)	62 (23–80)
Male, n (%)	83 (64)	66 (62)
FL subtype/grade at screening, n(%)		
Grade 1/2	15 (12) / 83 (64)	9 (8) / 72 (67)
Grade 3A	31 (24)	25 (23)
Unknown	1 (1)	1 (1)
Ann Arbor stage at screening, n (%)		
Stage I/II	2 (2) / 16 (12)	1 (1) / 11 (10)
Stage III/IV	45 (35) / 67 (52)	39 (36) / 56 (52)
FL International Prognostic Index at screening, n (%)		
Low risk (0–1)	23 (18)	12 (11)
Intermediate risk (2)	38 (29)	34 (32)
High risk (3–5)	69 (53)	61 (57)
Lactate dehydrogenase > ULN, n (%)	53 (41)	47 (44)
Met modified GELF criteria at most recent relapse, n (%)	73 (56)	57 (53)
Prior lines of systemic therapy, median (range)	2 (1–10)	3 (2–10)
Prior HSCT, <sup>b</sup> n (%)	33 (25)	33 (31)
Received prior rituximab and lenalidomide, n (%)	23 (18)	23 (21)
Refractory to last systemic therapy, <sup>c</sup> n (%)	86 (66)	72 (67)
Double refractory (anti-CD20 and alkylator), n (%)	80 (62)	69 (64)
POD24, <sup>d</sup> n (%)	73 (56)	58 (54)
Received bridging therapy, n (%)	49 (38)	44 (41)



# Primary endpoint: ORR per IRC by best overall response

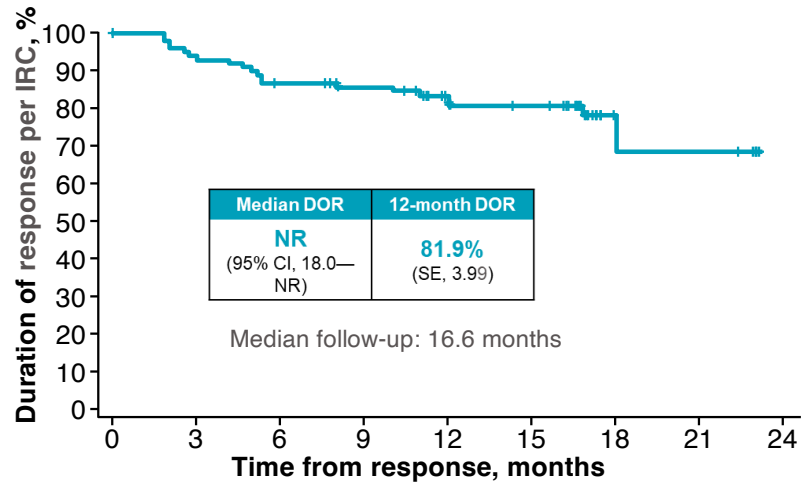
## 3L+ FL efficacy set (n = 101)



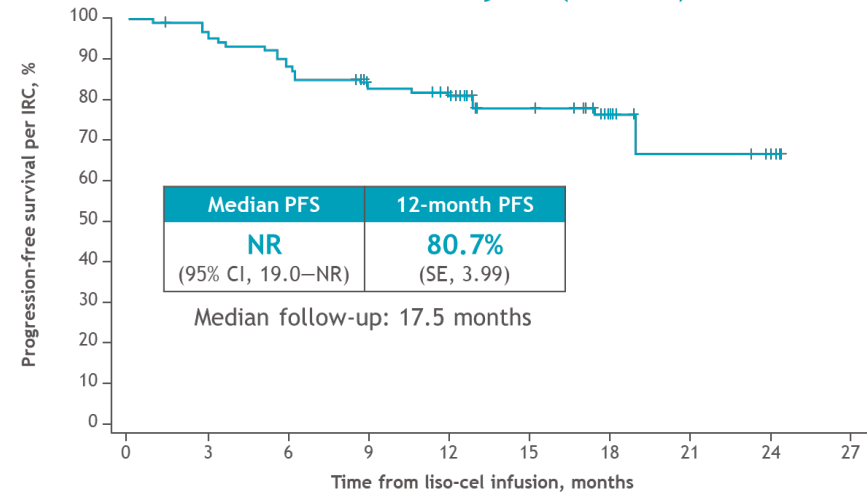
- **Primary and key secondary endpoints were met**; all null hypotheses were rejected
- ORR was 97%, with all responders achieving CR except 3
- ORR was consistently high across subgroups

<sup>a</sup>One-sided *P* value ( $H_0$  of ORR  $\leq$  60%;  $H_0$  of CR rate  $\leq$  30%).  
 $H_0$ , null hypothesis; SD, stable disease.

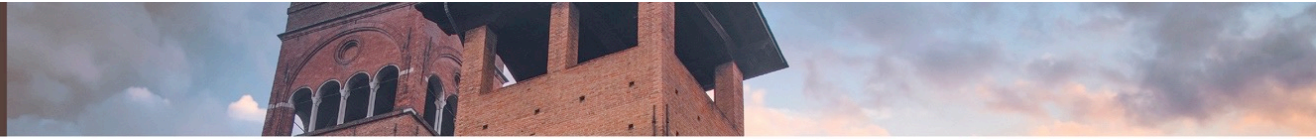
### 3L+ FL efficacy set (n = 101)



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3L+ FL 98 (0) 91 (1) 83 (1) 77 (5) 62 (12) 49 (12) 8 (40) 7 (0) 0 (7)



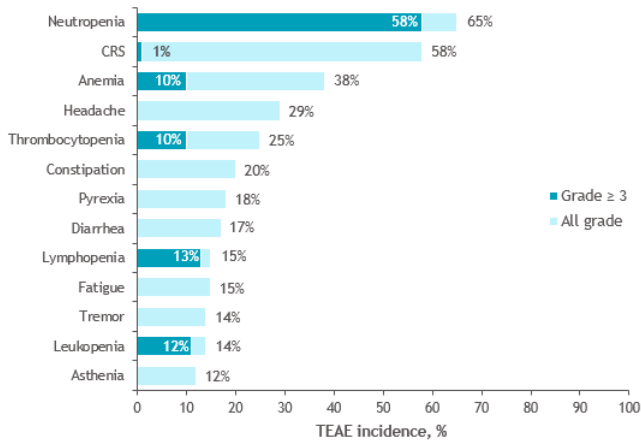
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## Most common TEAEs<sup>a</sup> (≥ 10%) in patients with 2L+ FL

2L+ FL liso-cel–treated set (n = 130)

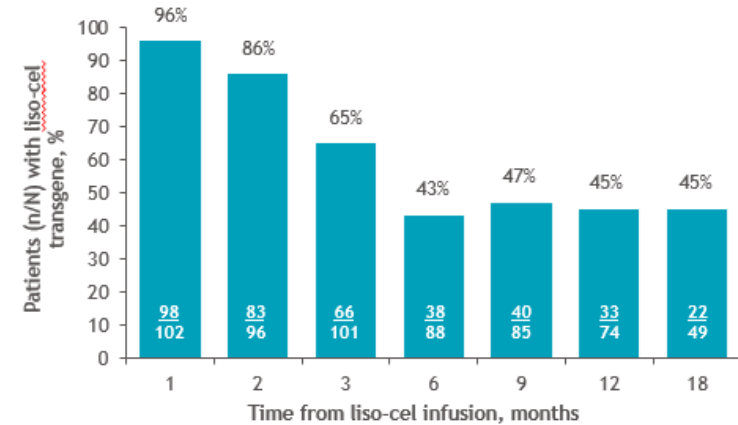


- Most common grade ≥ 3 TEAEs were cytopenias
  - Febrile neutropenia, n = 8 (6%)
- Serious TEAEs were reported in 25% of patients

<sup>a</sup>TEAE period was defined as the time from initiation of liso-cel administration through and including study Day 90. CRS, cytokine release syndrome; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

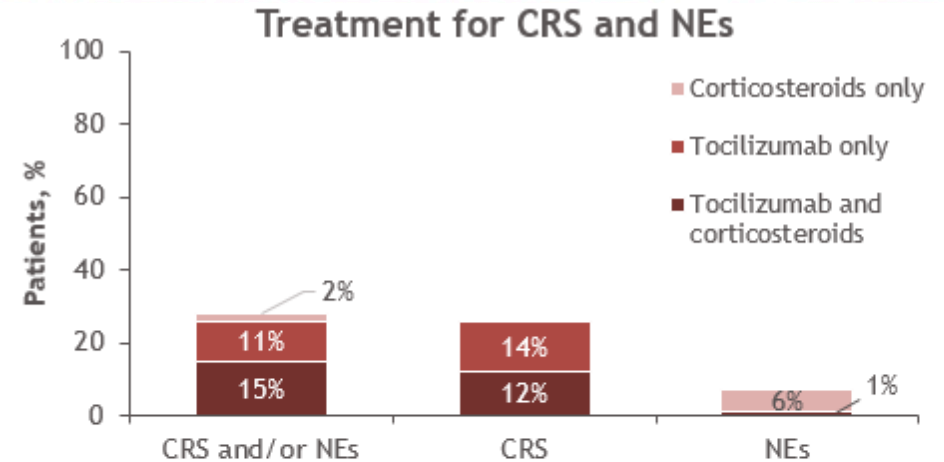
Morschhauser F, et al. ICML 2023 [Abstract #LBA4]

## Persistence of liso-cel transgene<sup>c</sup>



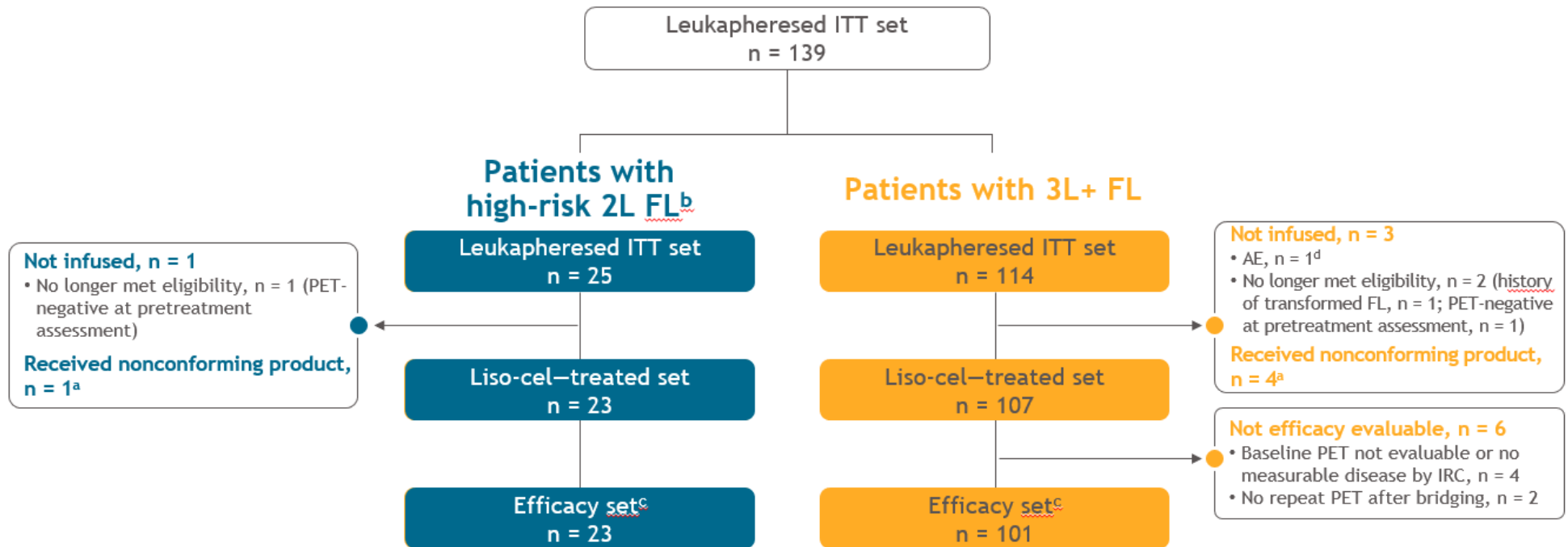
- Persistence of liso-cel was observed up to 18 months after infusion (22 of 49 evaluable patients), with follow-up ongoing

Patients with CRS and NEs	2L+ FL liso-cel–treated set (n = 130)
<b>CRS,<sup>a</sup> n (%)</b>	
Any grade	75 (58)
Grade 1	55 (42)
Grade 2	19 (15)
<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>1 (1)</b>
<b>Grade 4/5</b>	<b>0</b>
Median (range) time to onset, days	6 (1–17)
Median (range) time to resolution, days	3 (1–10)
<b>NE,<sup>b</sup> n (%)</b>	
Any grade	20 (15)
Grade 1	15 (12)
Grade 2	2 (2)
<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>3 (2)</b>
<b>Grade 4/5</b>	<b>0</b>
Median (range) time to onset, days	8.5 (4–16)
Median (range) time to resolution, days	3.5 (1–17)

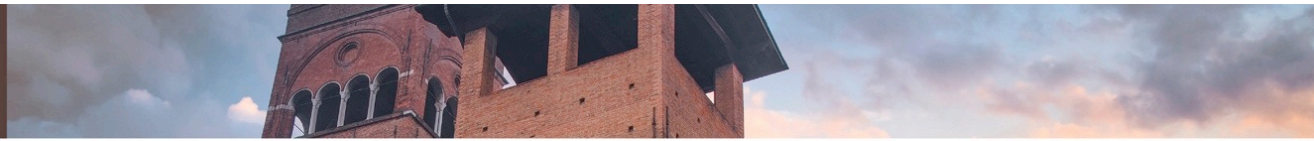


Other AESIs, n (%)	2L+ FL liso-cel–treated set (n = 130)
Prolonged cytopenia (grade $\geq 3$ at Day 29) <sup>c</sup>	29 (22)
Recovery to grade $\leq 2$ neutropenia at Day 90 <sup>d</sup> , n/N (%)	18/20 (90)
Recovery to grade $\leq 2$ anemia at Day 90 <sup>d</sup> , n/N (%)	5/6 (83)
Recovery to grade $\leq 2$ thrombocytopenia at Day 90 <sup>d</sup> , n/N (%)	11/19 (58)
Grade $\geq 3$ <u>infection<sup>e</sup></u>	7 (5)
MAS	1 (1)
Tumor lysis syndrome	0
<u>Hypogammaglobulinemia<sup>f</sup></u>	6 (5)
SPM (2 AML, 1 rectal cancer, 1 colon adenocarcinoma) <sup>f</sup>	4 (3)

## Patients with 2L+ FL

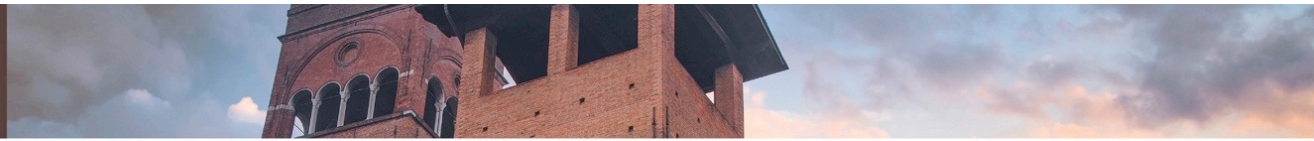


<sup>a</sup>Nonconforming product was defined as any product wherein one of the CD8 or CD4 cell components did not meet one of the requirements to be considered liso-cel but was considered appropriate for infusion; <sup>b</sup>The high-risk 2L FL cohort included patients with POD24 from diagnosis and/or mGELE; <sup>c</sup>Liso-cel-treated patients with PET-CT positive disease per IRC prior to infusion; <sup>d</sup>Acute respiratory failure (enterovirus/rhinovirus pneumonia).

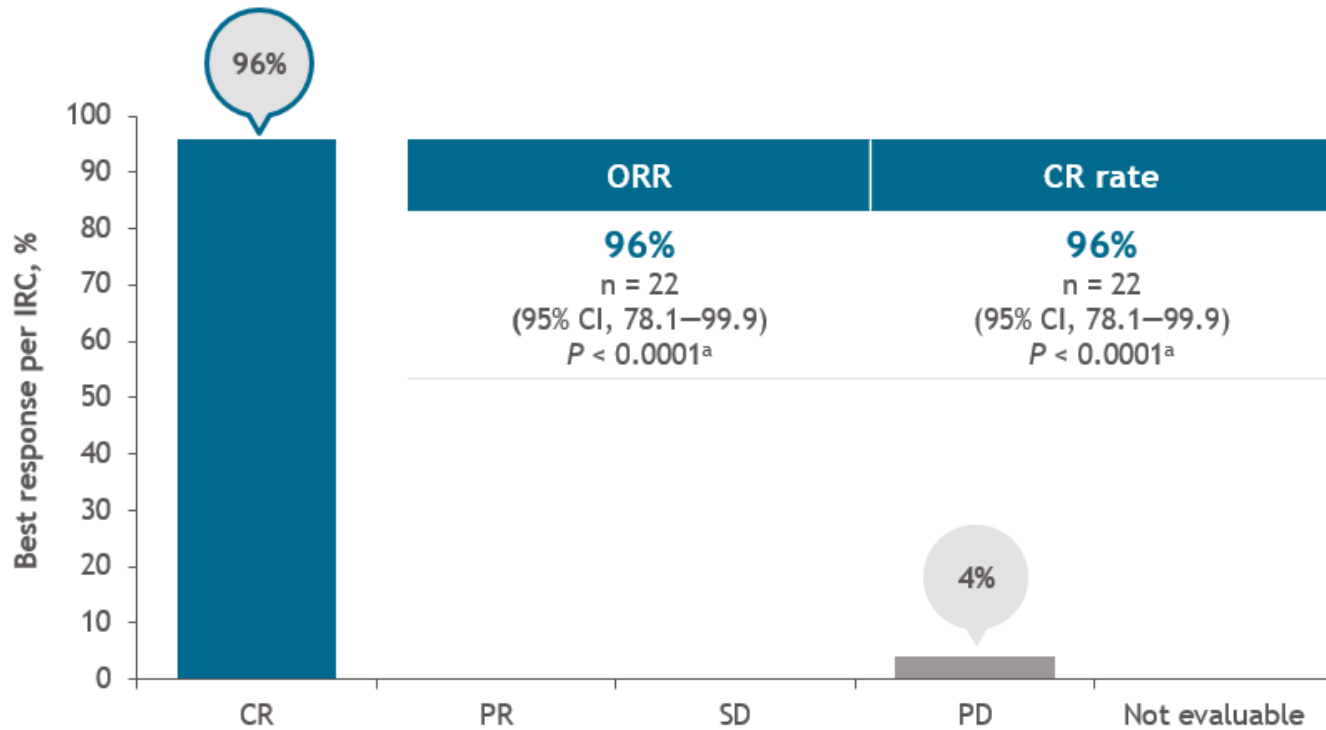


## Patient demographics and baseline characteristics

	2L FL (n = 23)	3L+ FL (n = 107)
Median (range) age, y	53 (34–69)	62 (23–80)
Male, n (%)	17 (74)	66 (62)
FL grade 1 or 2 / 3a at screening, <sup>a</sup> n (%)	17 (74) / 6 (26)	81 (76) / 25 (23)
Ann Arbor stage at screening, n (%)		
Stage I/II	6 (26)	12 (11)
Stage III/IV	17 (74)	95 (89)
FL International Prognostic Index at screening, n (%)		
Low risk (0–1) / intermediate risk (2)	11 (48) / 4 (17)	12 (11) / 34 (32)
High risk (3–5)	8 (35)	61 (57)
LDH > ULN before lymphodepletion, n (%)	6 (26)	47 (44)
Met mGELF criteria at most recent relapse, n (%)	16 (70)	57 (53)
Symptoms attributable to FL	6 (26)	13 (12)
Threatened end-organ function/cytopenia secondary to lymphoma/bulky disease	7 (30)	24 (22)
Splenomegaly	0	4 (4)
Steady progression over at least 6 months	3 (13)	16 (15)
Median (range) prior lines of systemic therapy	1 (1–1)	3 (2–10)
Prior HSCT, n (%)	0	33 (31)
Received prior rituximab and lenalidomide, n (%)	0	23 (21)
Refractory to last systemic therapy, <sup>b</sup> n (%)	15 (65)	72 (67)
Double refractory (anti-CD20 and alkylator), <sup>c</sup> n (%)	11 (48)	69 (64)
POD24 from initial immunochemotherapy, n (%)	15 (65)	58 (54)
POD24 from diagnosis, n (%)	12 (52)	46 (43)
Received bridging therapy, n (%)	5 (22)	44 (41)



## 2L FL efficacy set (n = 23)

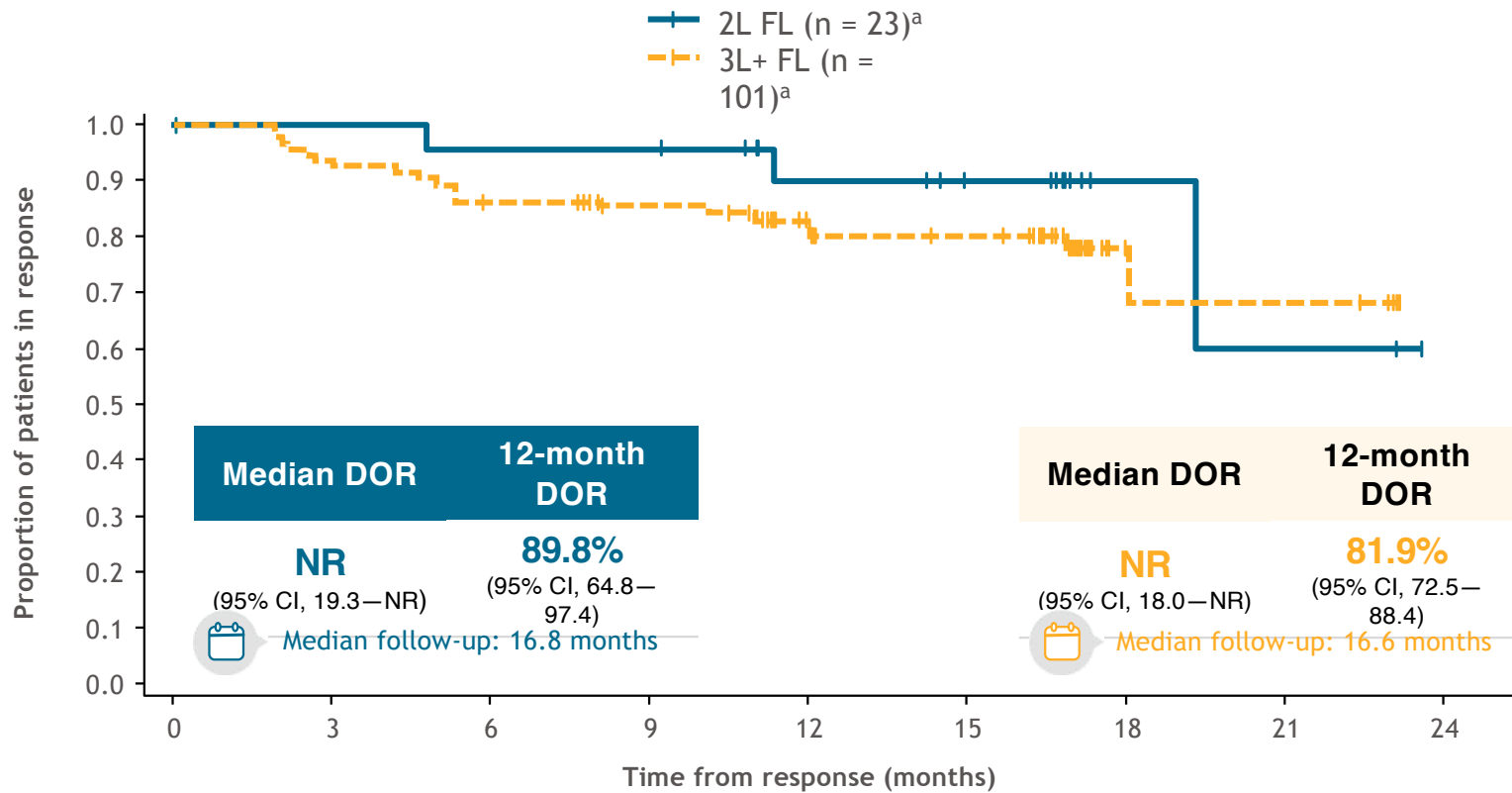


**Primary and key secondary endpoints were met**  
All null hypotheses were rejected

ORR was 96%, with all responders achieving CR

In patients with 3L+ FL<sup>1</sup>

- ORR = 97%
- CR rate = 94%

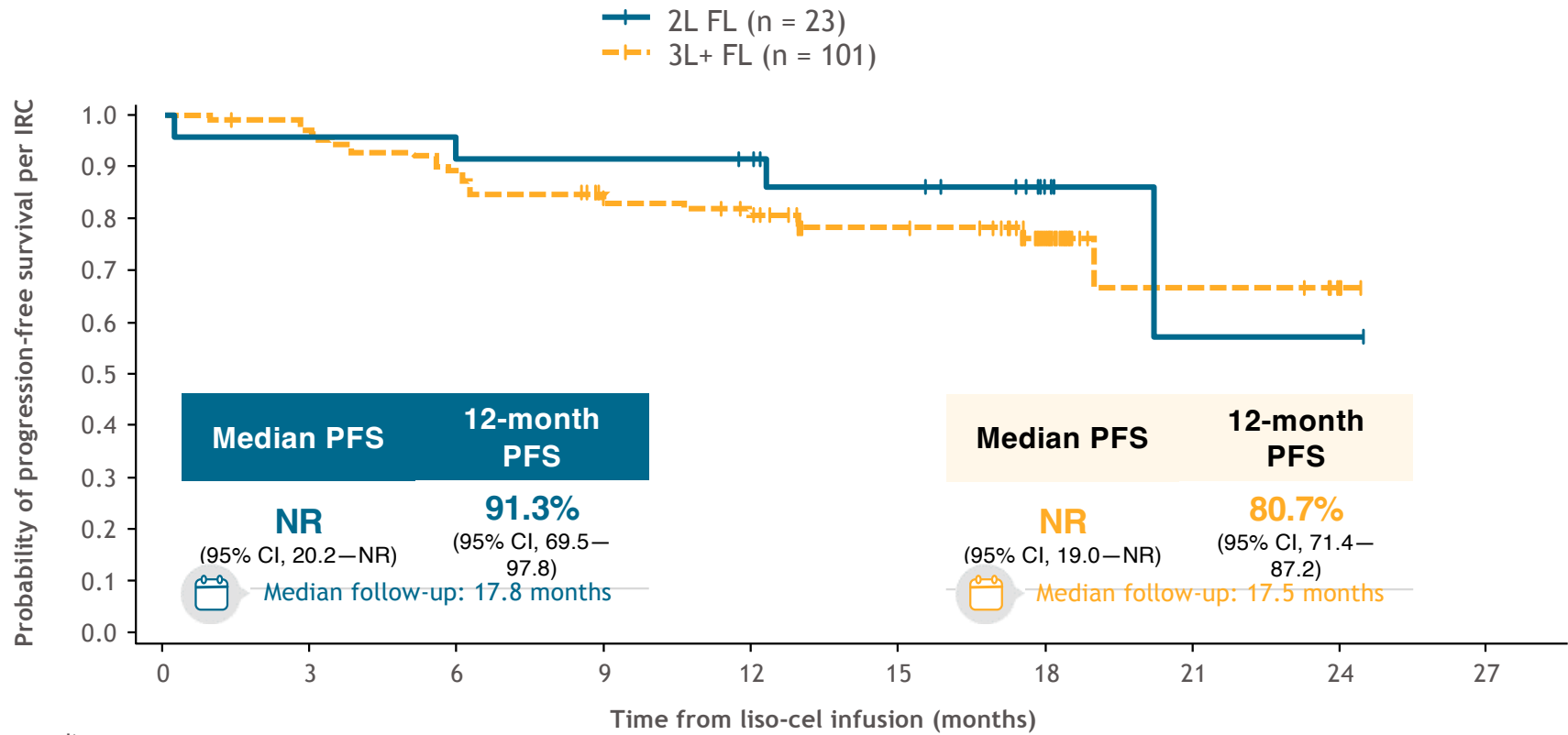


No. at risk (censored)

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
2L FL	22 (0)	22 (0)	21 (0)	21 (0)	16 (4)	13 (3)	3 (10)	2 (0)	0 (2)
3L+ FL	98 (0)	91 (1)	83 (1)	77 (5)	62 (12)	49 (12)	8 (40)	7 (0)	0 (7)

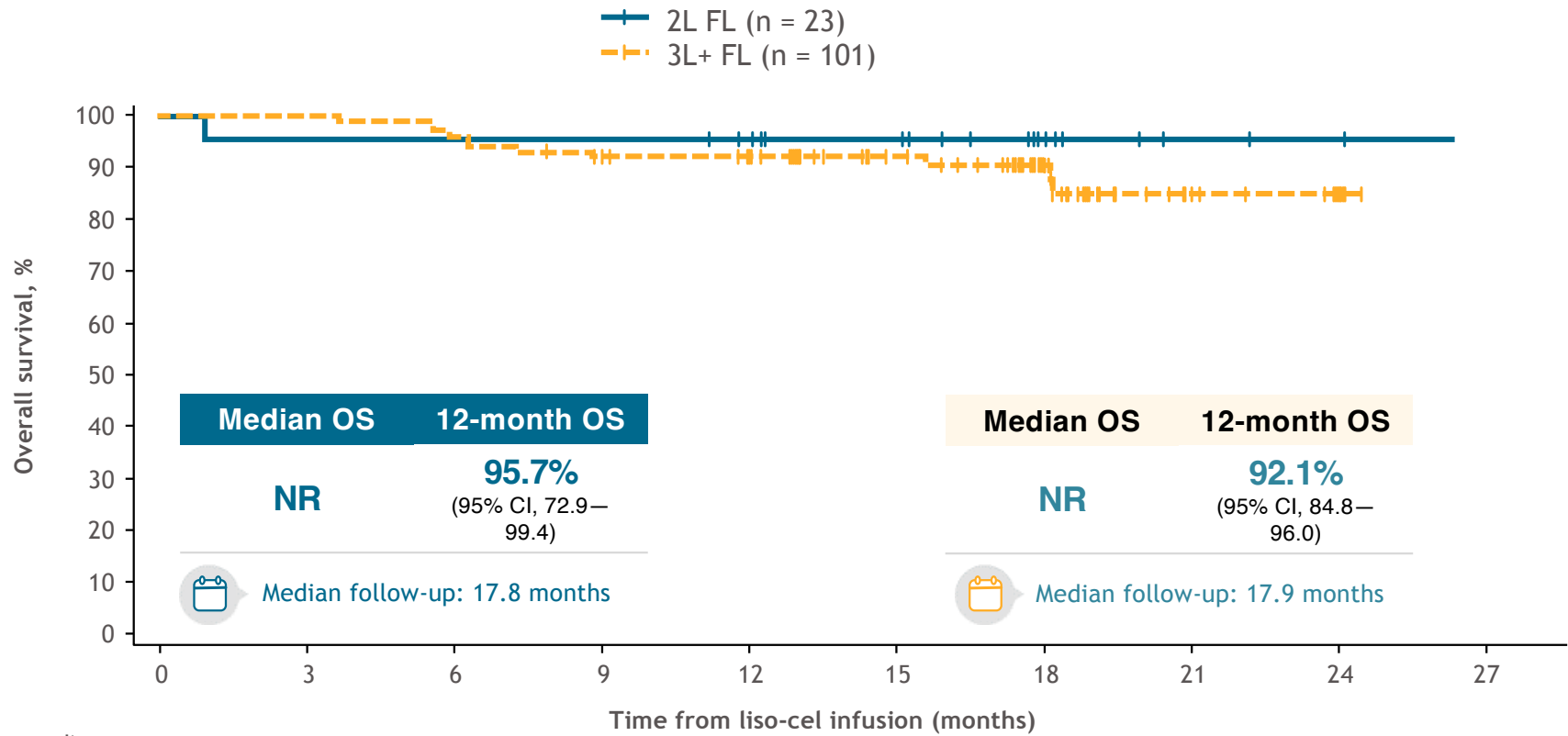
<sup>a</sup>Twenty-two of the 23 patients with 2L FL were responders; 98 of the 101 patients with 3L+ FL were responders.





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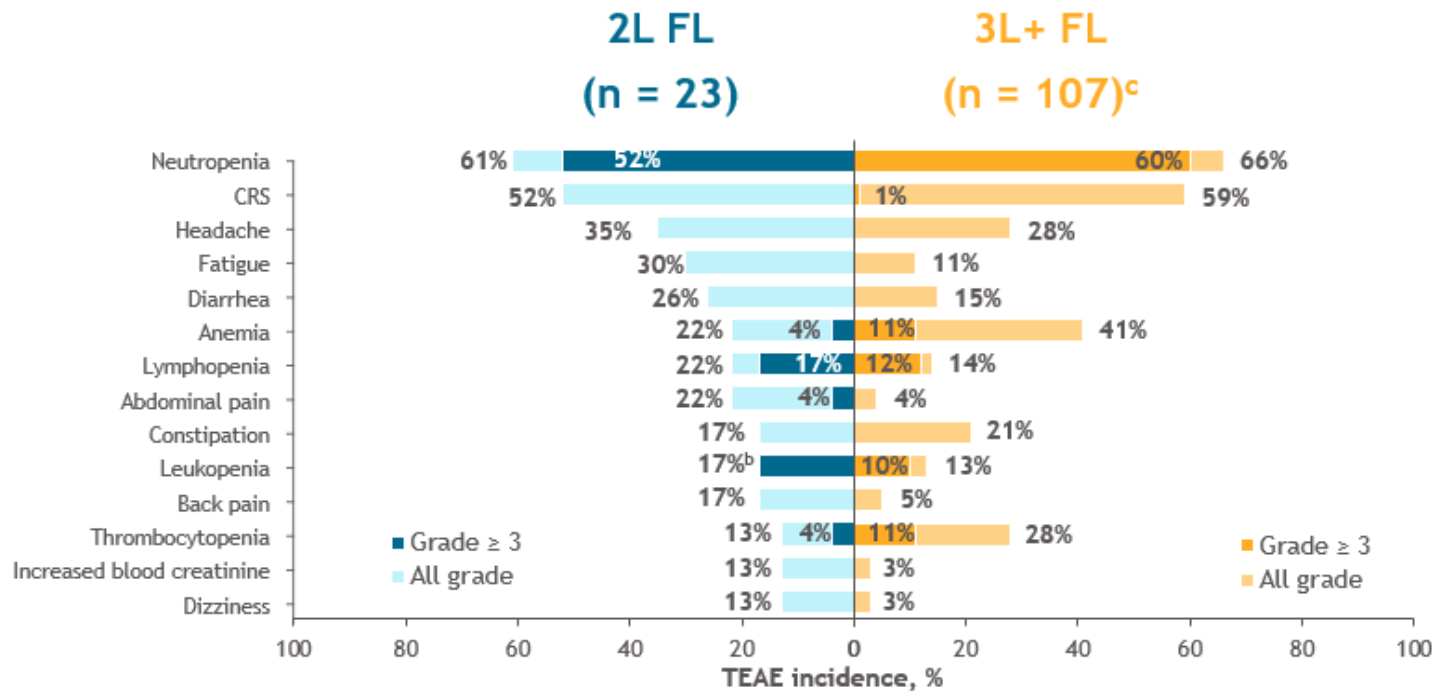
	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
2L FL	23 (0)	22 (0)	21 (0)	21 (0)	20 (1)	16 (3)	5 (11)	2 (2)	2 (0)	0 (2)
3L+ FL	101 (0)	96 (1)	89 (0)	78 (6)	72 (3)	50 (20)	19 (30)	7 (11)	2 (5)	0 (2)



No. at risk (censored)

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
2L FL	23 (0)	22 (0)	22 (0)	22 (0)	20 (2)	17 (3)	8 (9)	3 (5)	2 (1)	0 (2)
3L+ FL	101 (0)	101 (0)	97 (0)	90 (3)	86 (4)	63 (23)	38 (24)	11 (25)	3 (8)	0 (3)

\*A total of 98% of patients in the efficacy set were censored from the OS analysis at data cutoff.

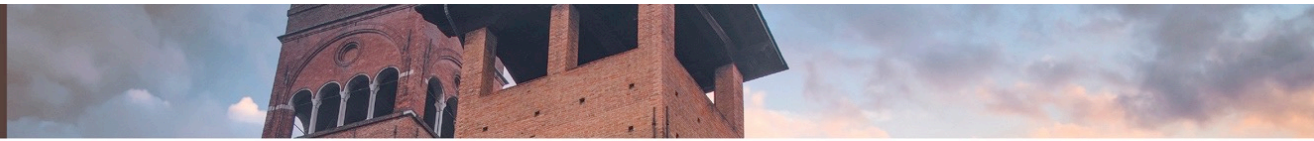


TEAEs in 2L vs 3L+ FL

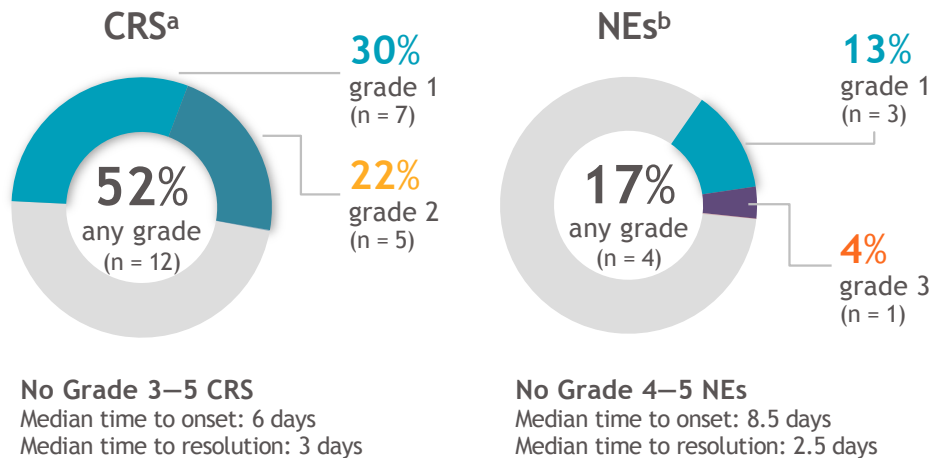
- 61% vs 78% with grade  $\geq 3$  TEAEs
- 17% vs 26% with serious TEAEs
- Most common grade  $\geq 3$  TEAE was neutropenia (52% vs 60%)
  - 1 (4%) vs 5 (5%) with febrile neutropenia
- There was no grade  $\geq 3$  CRS in 2L FL

<sup>a</sup>TEAE period was defined as the time from initiation of liso-cel administration through and including study Day 90; <sup>b</sup>All cases of leukopenia in 2L FL were grade  $\geq 3$ ; <sup>c</sup>Only TEAEs that occurred in  $\geq 10\%$  of patients with 2L FL are shown for 3L+ FL.

CRS, cytokine release syndrome; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.



## 2L FL (n = 23)



## CRS in 2L vs 3L+ FL

- 52% vs 59% with any-grade CRS
- Grade 1–2 CRS only vs 1% grade 3 CRS (all others grade 1–2)
- Median time to onset of 6 days in both cohorts
- Median time to resolution of 3 vs 4 days

## NEs in 2L vs 3L+ FL

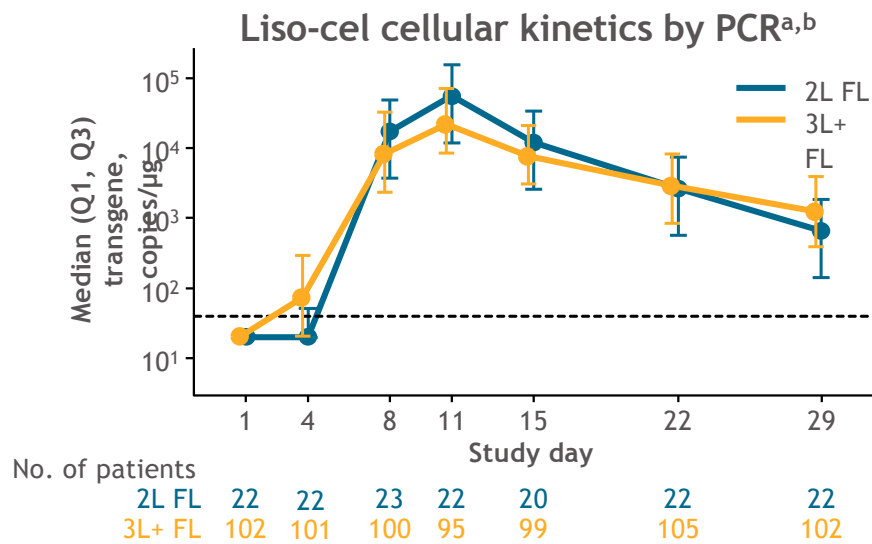
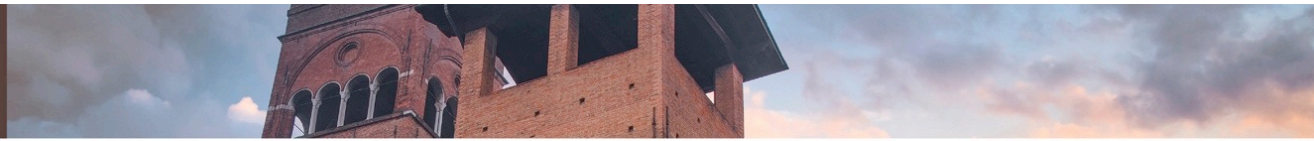
- 17% vs 15% with any-grade NEs
- No grade 4–5 NEs in either cohort
  - 4% vs 2% with grade 3 NEs
- Median time to onset of 8.5 days in both cohorts
- Median time to resolution of 2.5 vs 4.5 days

**13% vs 31% received tocilizumab and/or corticosteroids to manage CRS/NEs**

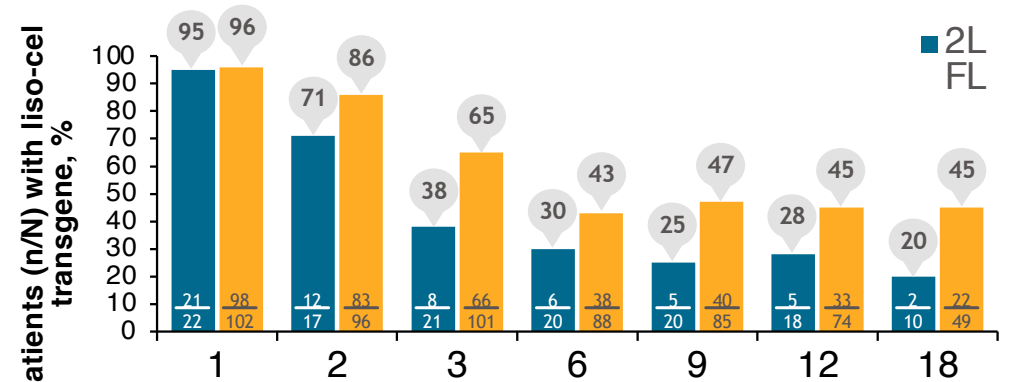
# Follicular Lymphomas Work Other AEsI in liso-cell-treated set

AESI, n (%)	2L FL (n = 23)	3L+ FL (n = 107)
<b>Prolonged cytopenia<sup>a</sup></b> (grade $\geq$ 3 at Day 29)	3 (13)	26 (24)
Recovery to grade $\leq$ 2 neutropenia at Day 90 <sup>b</sup> , n/N (%)	2/2 (100)	16/18 (89)
Recovery to grade $\leq$ 2 anemia at Day 90 <sup>b</sup> , n/N (%)	NA <sup>b</sup>	5/6 (83)
Recovery to grade $\leq$ 2 thrombocytopenia at Day 90 <sup>b</sup> , n/N (%)	1/1 (100)	10/18 (56)
<b>Grade <math>\geq</math> 3 infection</b>	0	7 (7)
<b>Grade 5 TEAE of MAS/HLH</b>	1 (4)	0
<b>Tumor lysis syndrome</b>	0	0
<b>Hypogammaglobulinemia<sup>c</sup></b>	1 (4)	4 (4)
<b>Second primary malignancy<sup>c</sup></b>	1 (4) <sup>d</sup>	3 (3) <sup>e</sup>

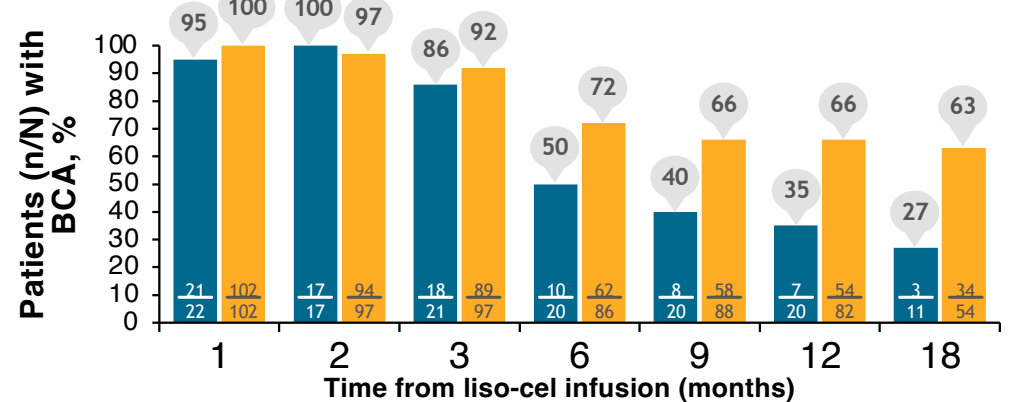
<sup>a</sup>Grade  $\geq$  3 laboratory abnormalities of neutropenia, anemia, or thrombocytopenia on Day 29; <sup>b</sup>Recovery data are presented for patients with prolonged cytopenia who had laboratory results after Day 29. No patients with 2L FL had grade  $\geq$  3 anemia at Day 29. <sup>c</sup>Could occur within or beyond the 90-day treatment-emergent period; <sup>d</sup>Colon adenocarcinoma; <sup>e</sup>Acute myeloid leukemia, rectal cancer, and squamous cell carcinoma.



## Persistence of liso-cel transgene



## B-cell aplasia



- Liso-cel demonstrated high response rate and a good safety profile in patients with 2L and 3L R/R FL, with no grade  $\geq 3$  CRS or infections and low rates of NEs and prolonged cytopenia
- Liso-cel will likely be FDA-approved for the above indications in the US this month, adding another IEC to the available options for pts with R/R FL
- FDA-required specifications to meet liso-cel definition were loosened last week, which will likely result in decreased proportion of out of spec products and faster turn around for patients