

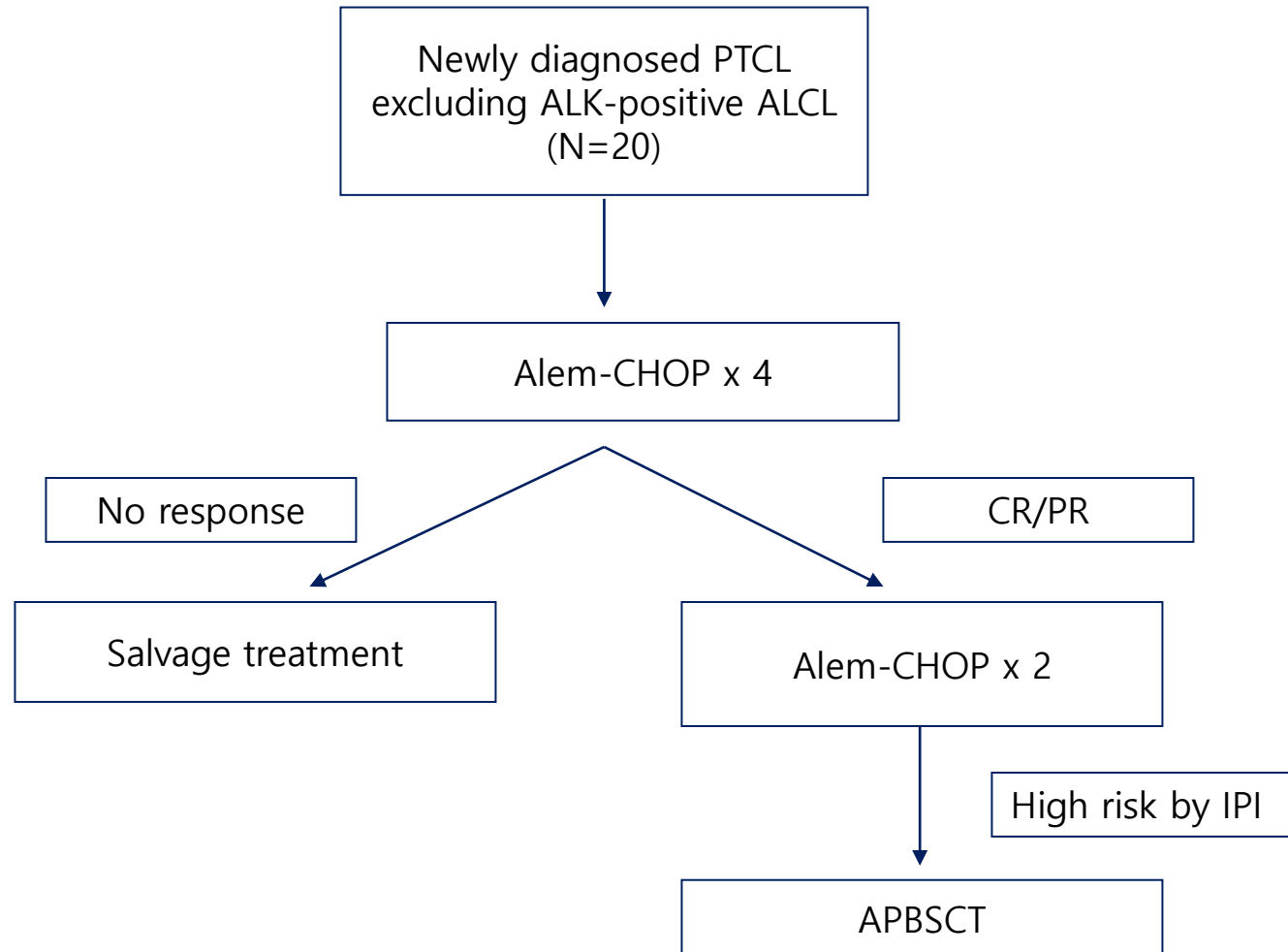
# **Copanlisib (BAY 80-6946) in peripheral T cell lymphomas**

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# Alem-CHOP in Korea

## Treatment scheme



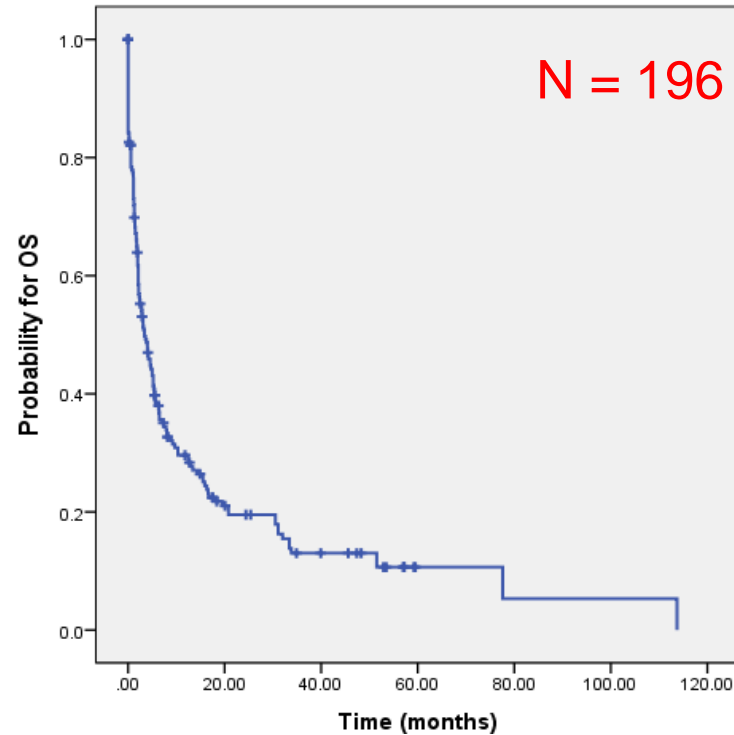
**ORR: 80%**  
**13 complete responses (65.0%) and three partial responses (15.0%)**

**Febrile neutropenia was observed in 11 patients (55.0%). Five patients (25%) experienced cytomegalovirus (CMV) reactivation**

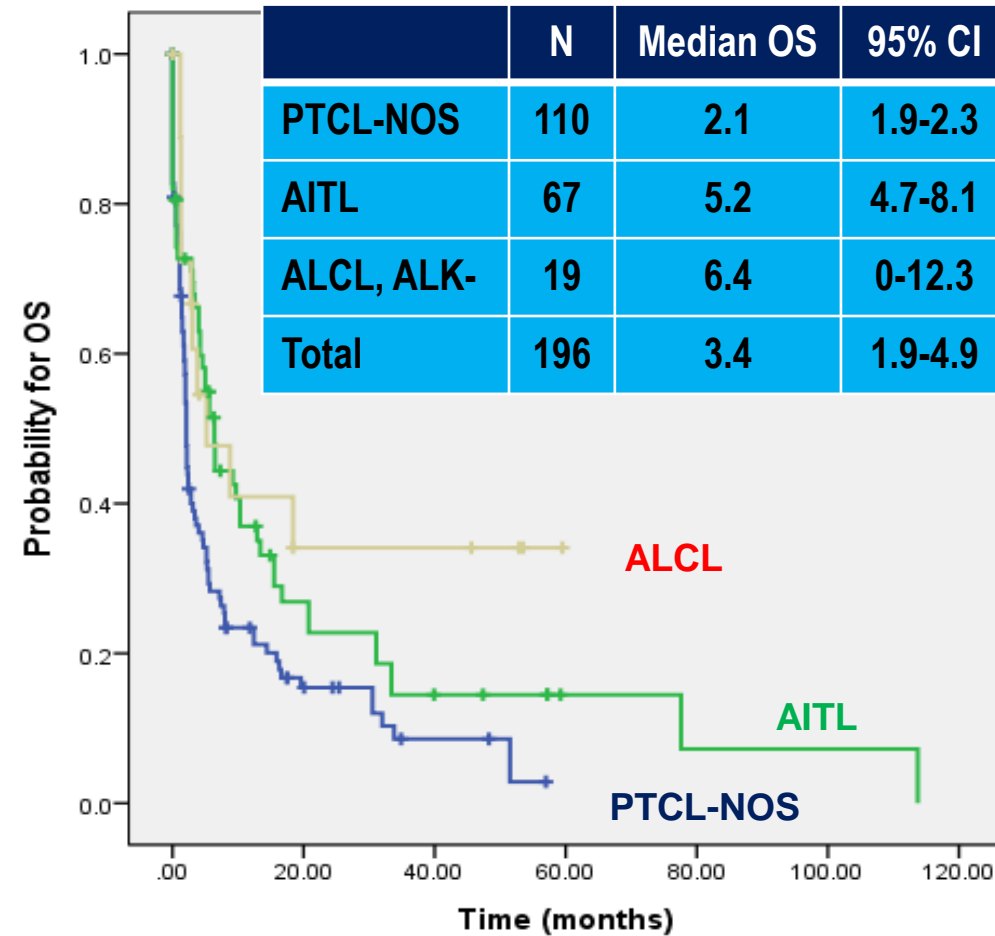
# Poor outcome of RR nodal PTCL – Korean data



Median follow-up duration: 50.4 months (IQR; 21.8 – 70.9 months)



Median OS : 3.4 months (95% CI, 1.9 – 4.9)

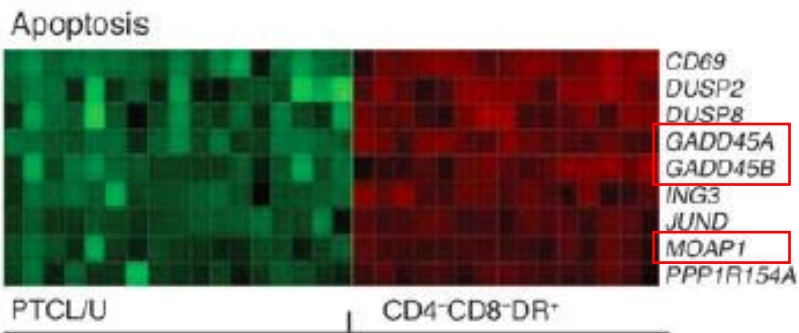
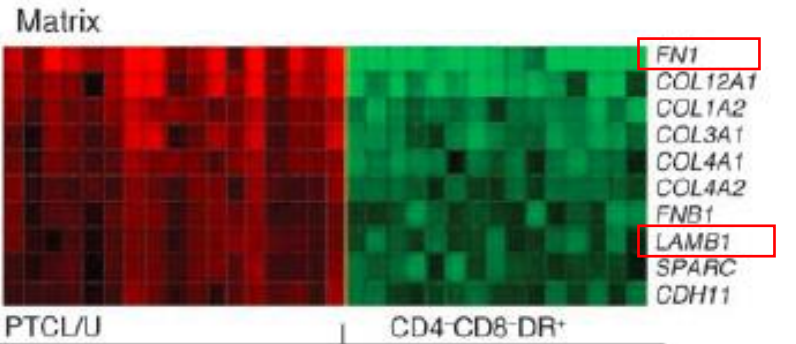


# Gene expression profiles of PTCLs

## Overexpressed genes in PTCLs

(cell adhesion and matrix remodeling)

: **FN1** and **LAMB1** also regulate the apoptotic process  
 - through the **PI3K/AKT** and **MEK/ERK** pathways, respectively



## The group of Down-regulated genes (apoptosis)

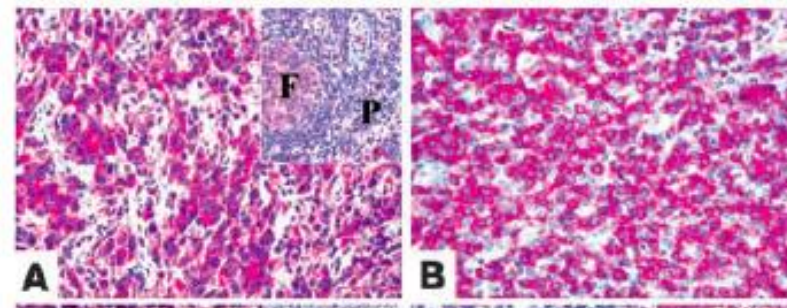
- 1) GADD45A and 45B : growth arrest and DNA damage-inducible  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ 
  - control of apoptosis
- 2) MOAP1 : a Bcl-2 homology 3-like motif (BH3)
  - interact with Bax, mediating caspase-dependent apoptosis

Table 1

Immunohistochemical analysis on TMAs

Marker	Evaluable cases	Positive cases (>30% positive elements)	Percentage of positive cases
Caldesmon	129	128 <sup>A</sup>	99
BCL10	75	15	20
IGFBP7	120	68	57
p27	114	53 <sup>B</sup>	46
PDGFR $\alpha$	133	121	91
p-PDGFR $\alpha$	110	105	95
CYR61	137	132	96
LIFR-1	116	36	31

<sup>A</sup>Stromal reactivity. <sup>B</sup>In most cases, p27 was expressed but by less than 30% of the neoplastic elements.

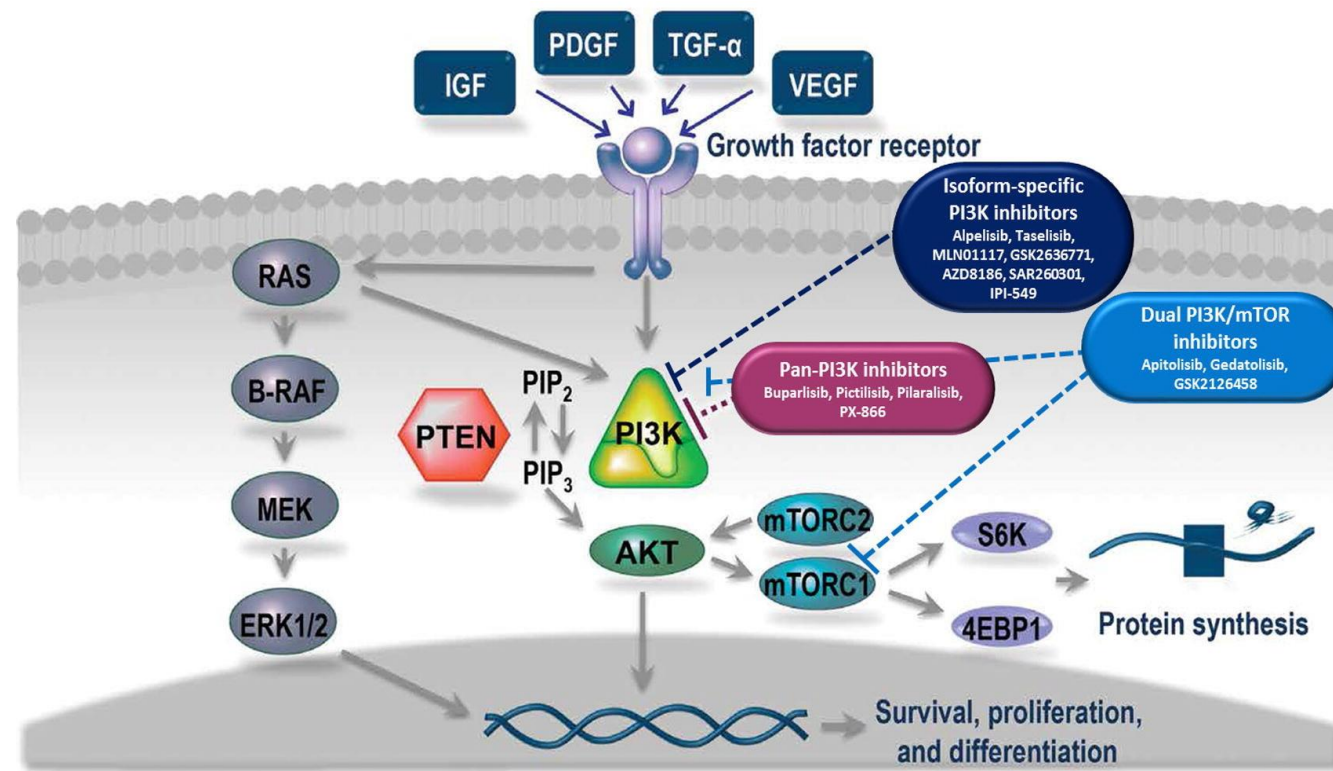
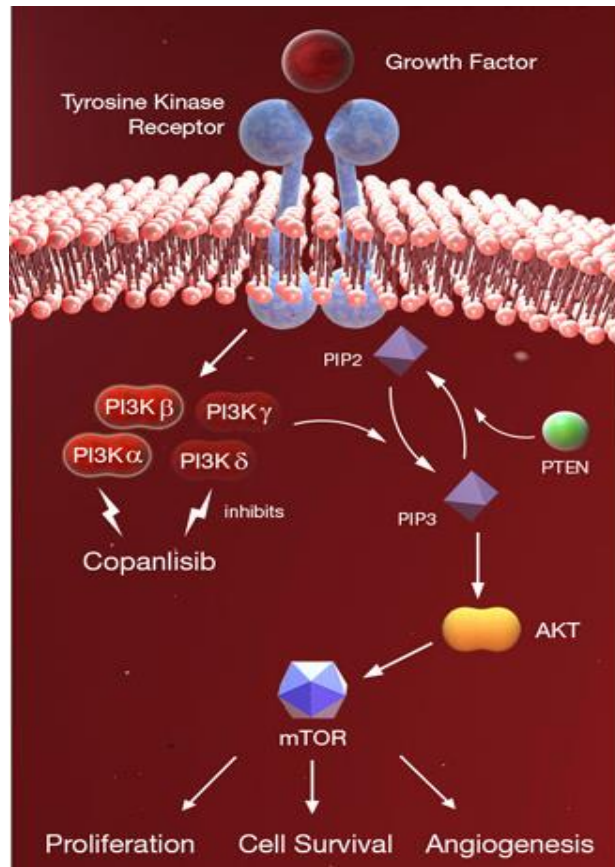


PDGFR $\alpha$  and p-PDGFR $\alpha$  : strongly expressed in PTCL

# Copanlisib could induce the apoptosis of T cell lymphoma cells

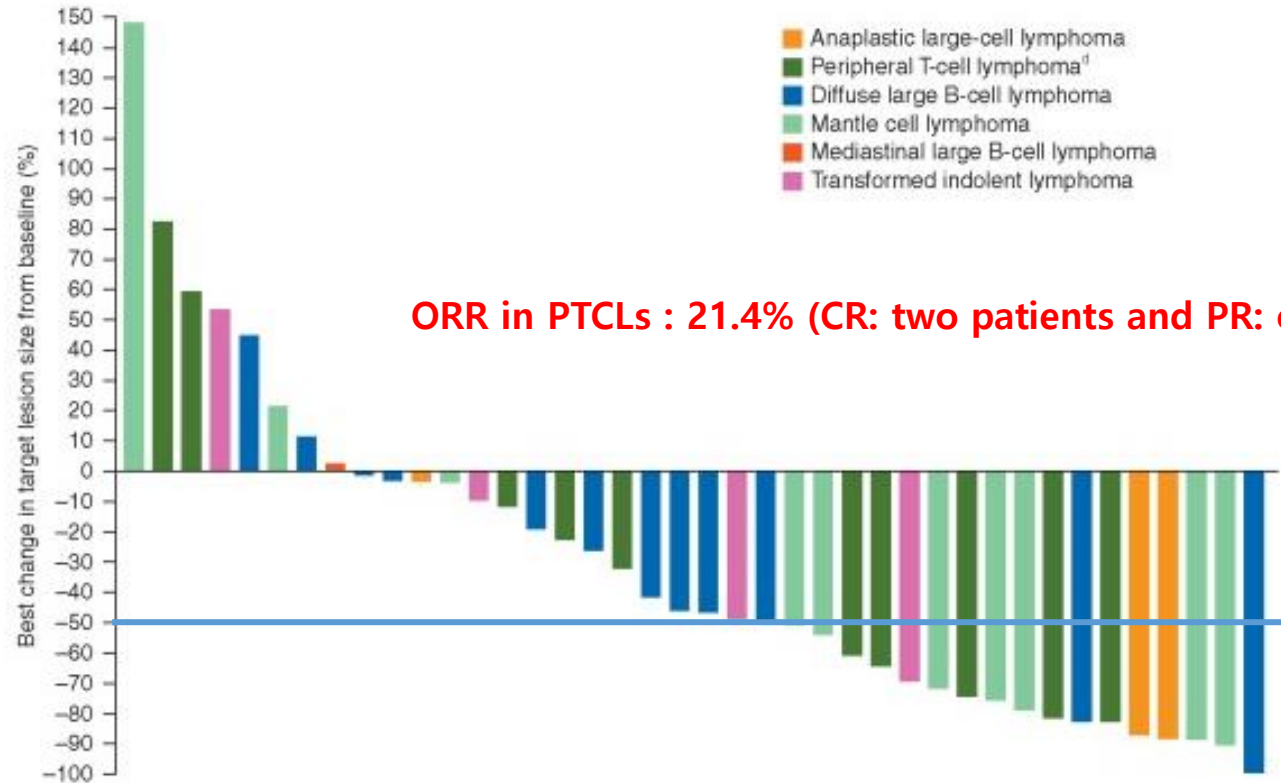
➤ **Copanlisib** : class I, pan kinase inhibitor of PI3K  $\alpha/\beta/\gamma/\delta$ , which has demonstrated a potency to treat not only solid cancer but hematologic malignancy

- **PI3K $\delta$** : Key factor to BCR(B Cell Receptor) and TCR(T Cell Receptor)-induced intracellular signaling
- the **p110 $\alpha$  catalytic isoform** is essential for the growth of tumors driven by **PIK3CA** mutations and/or oncogenic **RAS** and receptor tyrosine kinases
- targeting p110 $\delta$  may result in **immunomodulatory side effects**

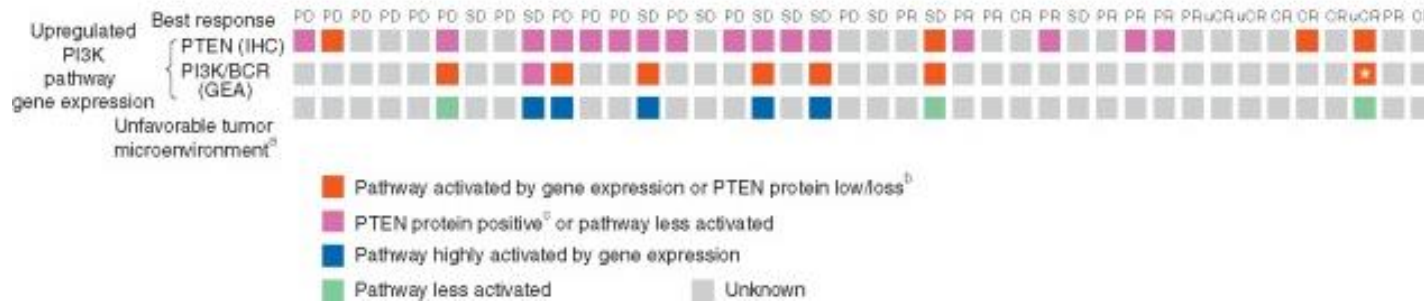


# Phase II study of copanlisib, a PI3K inhibitor, in relapsed or refractory, indolent or aggressive lymphoma

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ORR in PTCLs : 21.4% (CR: two patients and PR: one)



**Open-labeled, multicenter phase I and II study of  
combined chemotherapy with Gemcitabine and Copanlisib  
(BAY 80-6946) in relapsed or refractory peripheral T cell  
lymphomas**

## Study design

### CG regimen (Phase I study : 3 + 3 study)

**Copanlisib**                      Level I-II mg 1-hr infusion rate                      D1, D8, D15

**Gemcitabine**                      1000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> in fixed infusion rate of 40 minutes                      D1, D8

Be repeated every 28 days

Dose level will be determined as escalating dose level schedule as followed.

	Level - I	Level I	Level II
<b>Gemcitabine (mg/m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	1000	1000	1000
<b>Copanlisib (mg)</b>	30	45	60

c.f.) Referenced to maximum tolerable dose (MTD) of Copanlisib (0.8 mg/kg D1, D8, D15) in Western study, phase I study of CG combined chemotherapy in adult East ASIAN patients with PTCLs will start with low MTD dose.

### Treatment period

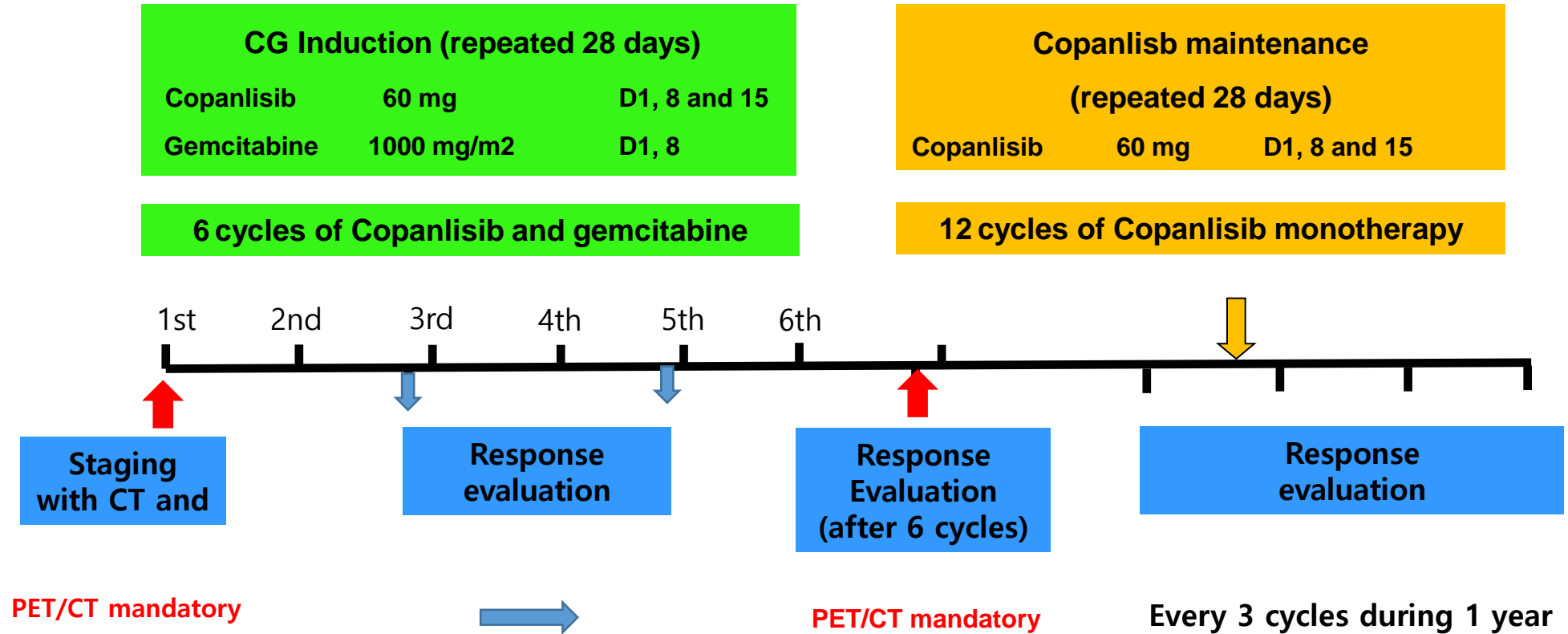
Total number of administration: **CG 6 cycles + Copanlisib Monotherapy for 12 months**



## Inclusion criteria

- ① Histologically confirmed **relapsed or refractory PTCLs**  
**excluding ALK-positive anaplastic large cell T-cell lymphomas (ALCL),  
primary cutaneous T cell lymphoma, and Sezary Syndrome.**
- ② performance status (ECOG)  $\leq 2$
- ③ age  $> 18$
- ④ At least one or more unidimensionally measurable lesion(s)
  - $\geq 1.5$  cm by conventional CT
  - $\geq 1$  cm by spiral CT
  - skin lesion (photographs should be taken)
  - measurable lesion by physical examination
- ⑤ Laboratory values
  - Cr  $\leq 1.5$  mg/dL or Ccr  $\geq 50$  ml/min
  - Transaminase  $< 3$  X upper normal value
  - Bilirubin  $< 2.0$  mg/dl
  - ANC  $\geq 1,500$ /ul, platelet  $\geq 75,000$ /ul
- ② Informed consent

## Response assessment



## Study status and comments

- **Phase I : N= total 6 patients (started from 28<sup>th</sup> Mar. 2018)**
  - Level I (N=3) and Level II (N=3) : No DLT happened
- **Phase II : N=25 patients including 3 patients of Level II (closed the enrollment at May 2019)**
  - **25 patients** are enrolled recently including 3 patients of Level I
- **Prophylactic antibiotics with trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole** (Bactrim, 1 tablet) once a day
- **Allogenic stem cell transplantation** : **one patients** who achieve  $\geq$  PR after 4 cycles of CG combination.
- **No treatment-related mortality reported**

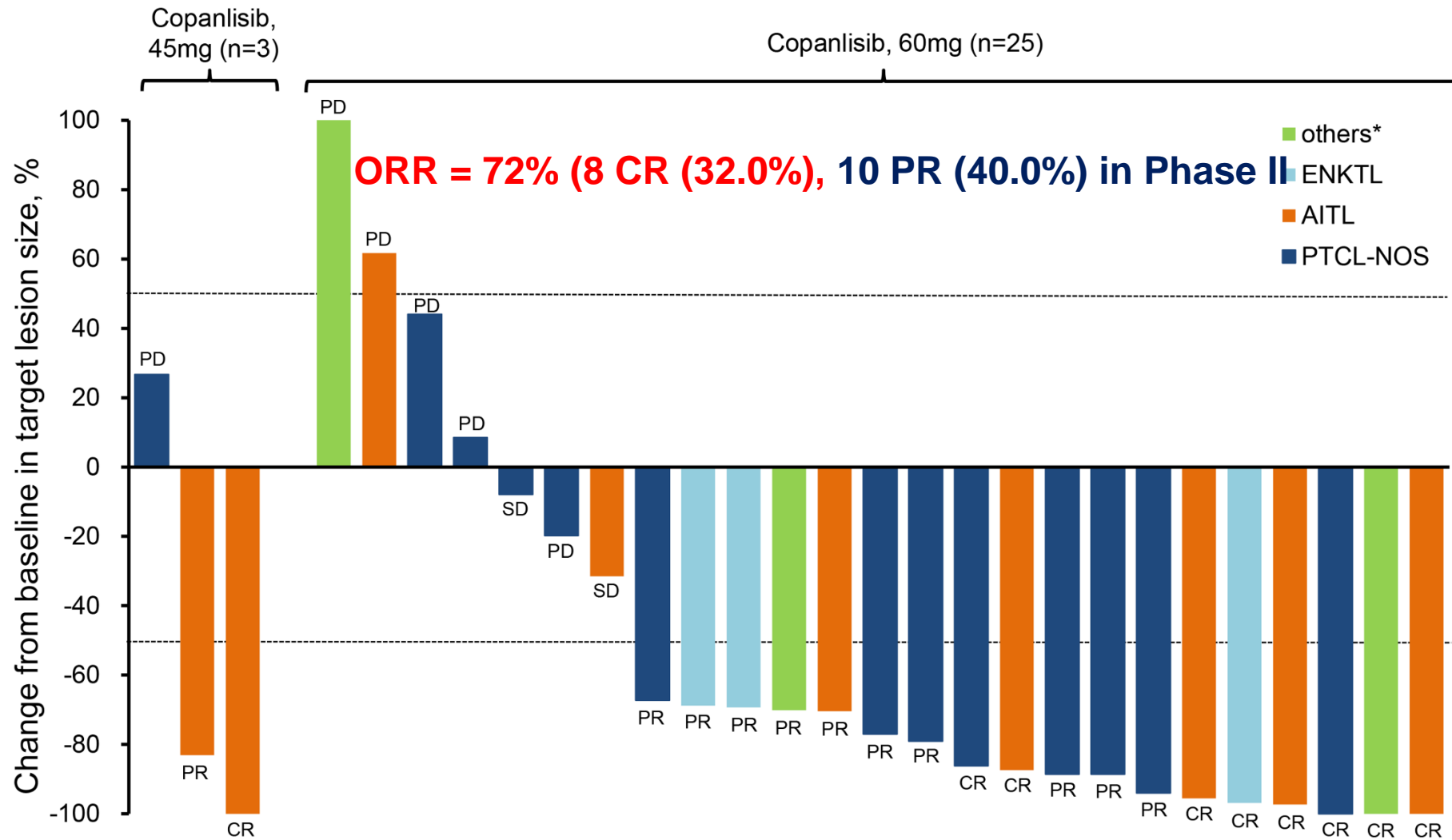
## Demographic & clinical characteristics, (N=28)

	Total (N=28, %)
Age, years median, range >60	62.5 (22-79) 16 (57.1)
Male Sex	16 (57.1)
Histologic subtype	
PTCL, NOS	13 (46.4)
AITL	9 (32.1)
ENKTL	3 (10.7)
ALCL, ALK-	1 (3.6)
EATL	1 (3.6)
SPLTL	1 (3.6)
Ann Arbor Stage 3-4	23 (82.1)
ECOG PS of 2	3 (10.7)
B symptoms	8 (28.6)
Elevated LDH level	15 (53.6)
BM involvement	6 (21.4)

	Total (N=28, %)
Extranodal sites >1	5 (17.9)
Sec-IPI, at relapse	
low	7 (25.0)
low-intermediate	9 (32.1)
HI or high	12 (42.9)
No. of prior regimens	
1	17 (60.7)
2	10 (35.7)
3	1 (3.6)
Prior ASCT	6 (21.4)
Response to prior Tx relapsed disease refractory disease*	7 (25.0) 21 (75.0)

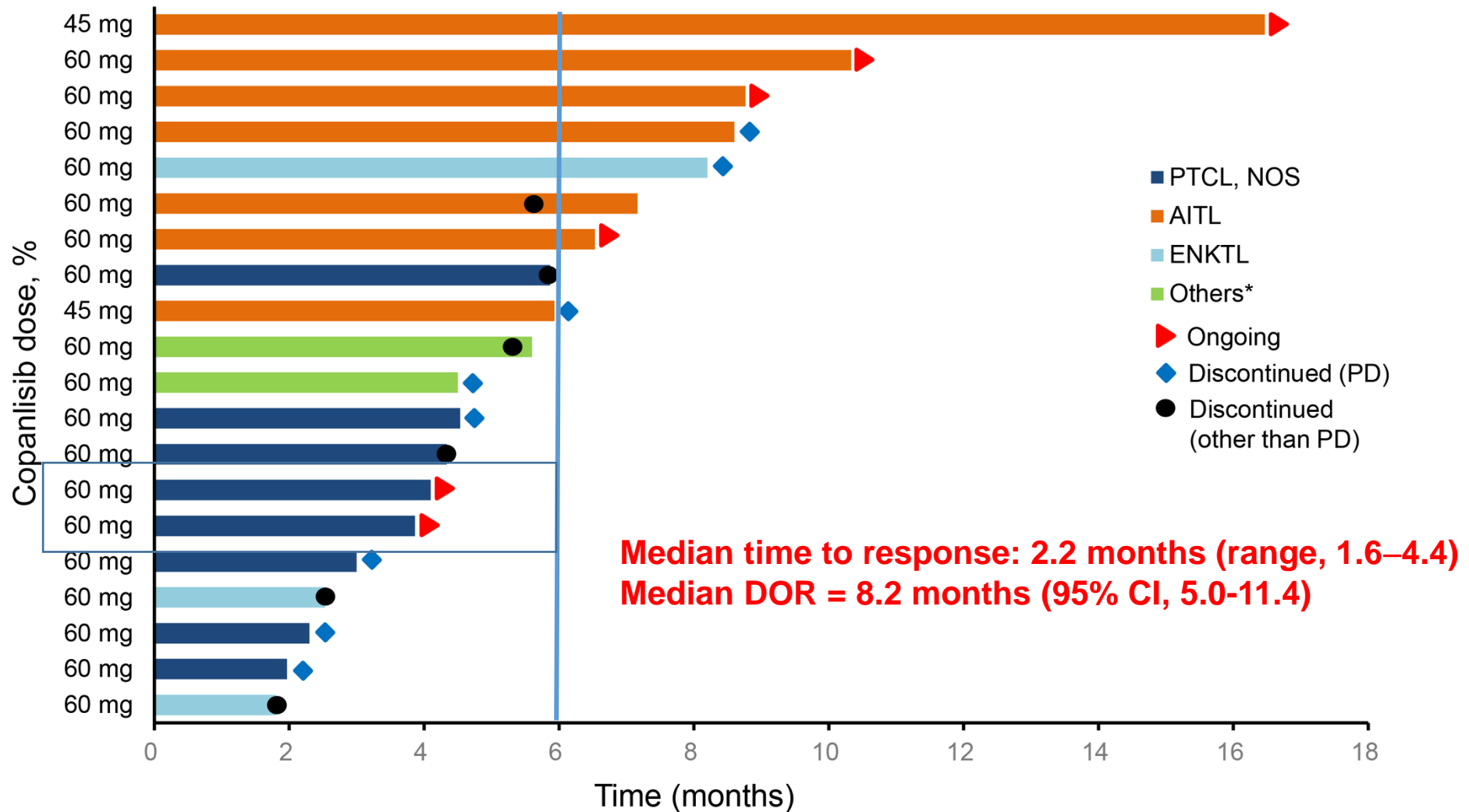
\*Refractory disease was defined as PD as best response to previous chemotherapy, SD after  $\geq 4$  cycles (first-line), or 2 cycles (later-line), or relapse  $\leq 12$  months after ASCT

# Best treatment responses (N=28)



\*Others included ALCL-ALK neg (n=1), subcutaneous panniculitis-like T-cell lymphoma (n=1), and enteropathy-associated T-cell lymphoma (n=1).

# Duration of responses (N=20)



Discontinuation other than disease progression included recurrent low-grade non-hematologic AEs (N=4), in particular fatigue, proceeding to allo-SCT (n=1), and consent withdrawal (n=1)

\*Others included ALCL-ALK neg (n=1) and subcutaneous panniculitis-like T-cell lymphoma (n=1).

## Hematologic and non-hematologic toxicity profiles

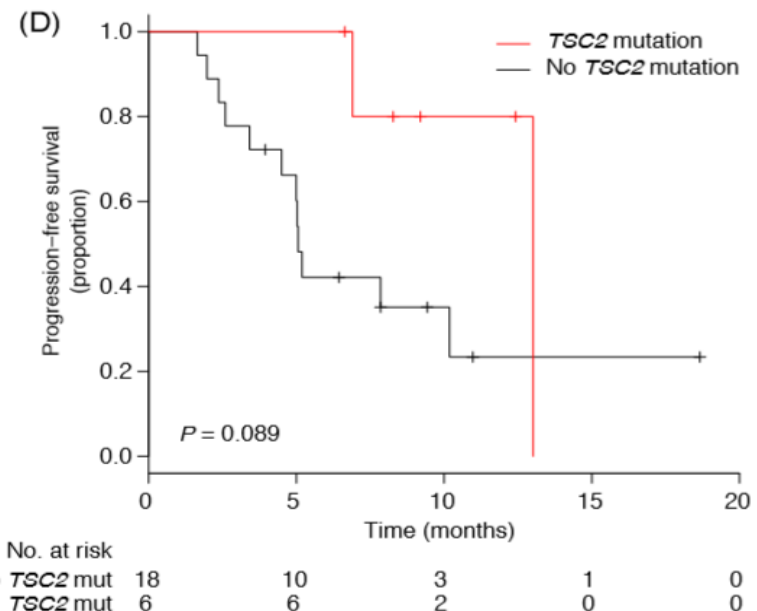
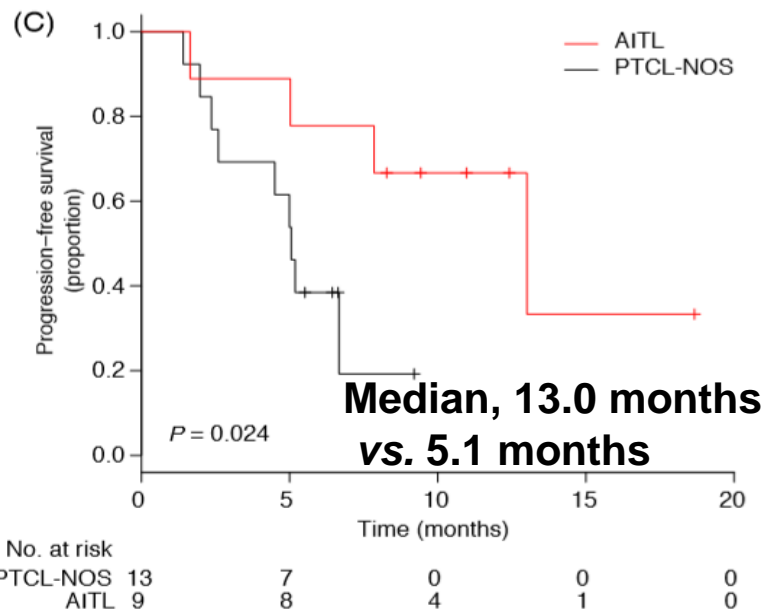
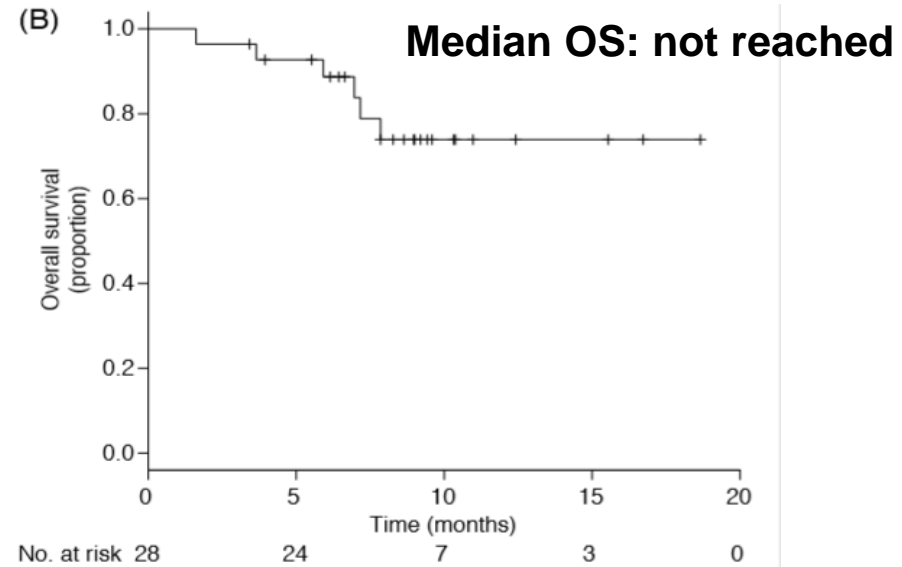
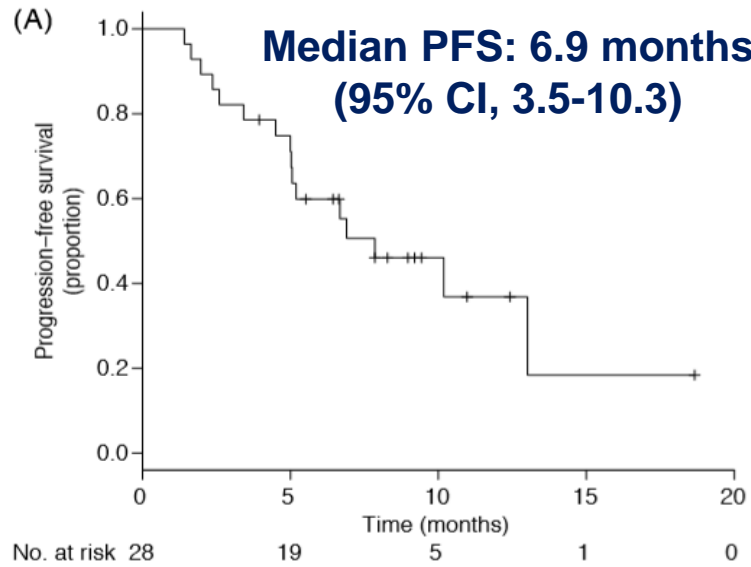
Toxicities	Total adverse events*	Grade 1–2	Grade 3	Grade 4
		N, %	N, %	N, %
<b>Hematologic</b>	<b>Adverse Event (≥grade III or IV), n (%)</b>	<b>N = 307</b>		
N			31 (23.5)	28 (21.2)
A	Any treatment-emergent AE	274 (89)	2 (1.5)	2 (1.5)
T			35 (26.5)	14 (10.6)
Me	<b>Hyperglycemia</b>	<b>173 (56)</b>		
H	Anemia	14 (5)	70 (53.0)	5 (3.8)
H	Nausea	2 (1)	25 (18.9)	0 (0)
Inf	<b>Hypertension</b>	<b>122 (40)</b>	5 (3.8)	0 (0)
F	Neutropenia	48 (16)	0 (0)	0 (0)
L			2 (1.5)	0 (0)
Gas	Thrombocytopenia	7 (2)		
N	Cough	14 (22)	0 (0)	0 (0)
F			1 (0.8)	0 (0)
C	Pneumonitis	8 (3)	0 (0)	1 (0.8)
Lab	Pneumonia	18 (6)		
	Elevated AST	15 (11.4)	14 (10.6)	1 (0.8)
	Elevated ALT	13 (9.8)	11 (8.3)	1 (0.8)
<b>Cutaneous</b>				
	Skin rash	7 (5.3)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Values are expressed as number of patients and percentage, unless otherwise indicated.

\* Toxicities were assessed in 132 cycles of copanlisib and gemcitabine combination in 28 patients

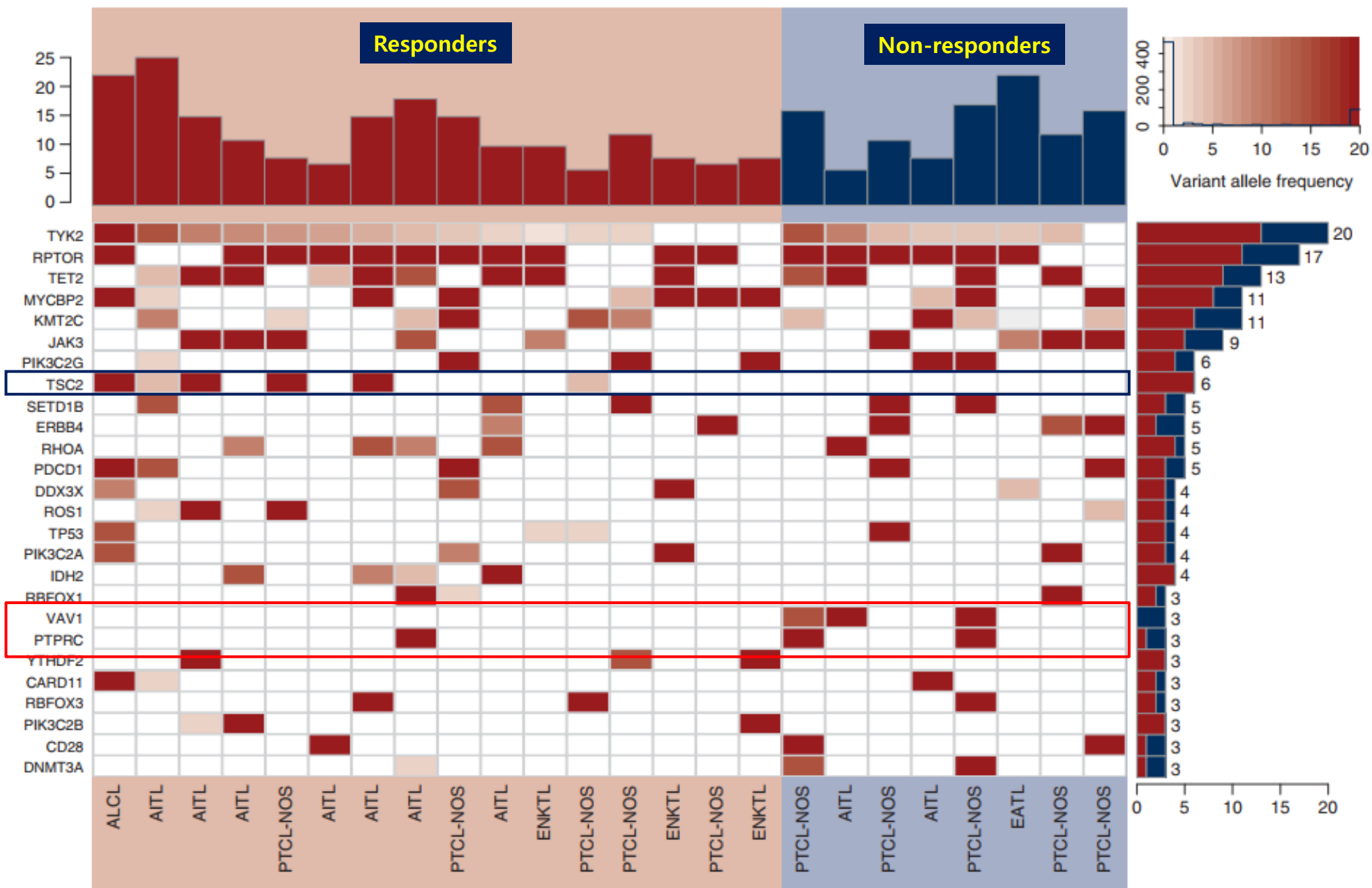
# PFS and OS (N=28)

Median follow-up duration : 8.9 months (IQR, 6.3-12.1)





# NGS assessment



## Summary

- **ORR = 72% (8 CR (32.0%), 10 PR (40.0%) in Phase II**
- **8 patients relapsed or progressed after best ORR**
- **12 patients with CR or PR (42.8%) at the time of analysis (30th Nov. 2019) : may be ORR**  
**(Statistical P1 = 45%) → 9 patients remained CR state at the time of re-analysis (Oct. 2022)**
- **Responder** : 5 out of 9 patients with AITL, 8 of 13 patients with PTCL-NOS, all 3 patients with NK/T
- **NGS assessment** : **TSC2 mutation in responder**

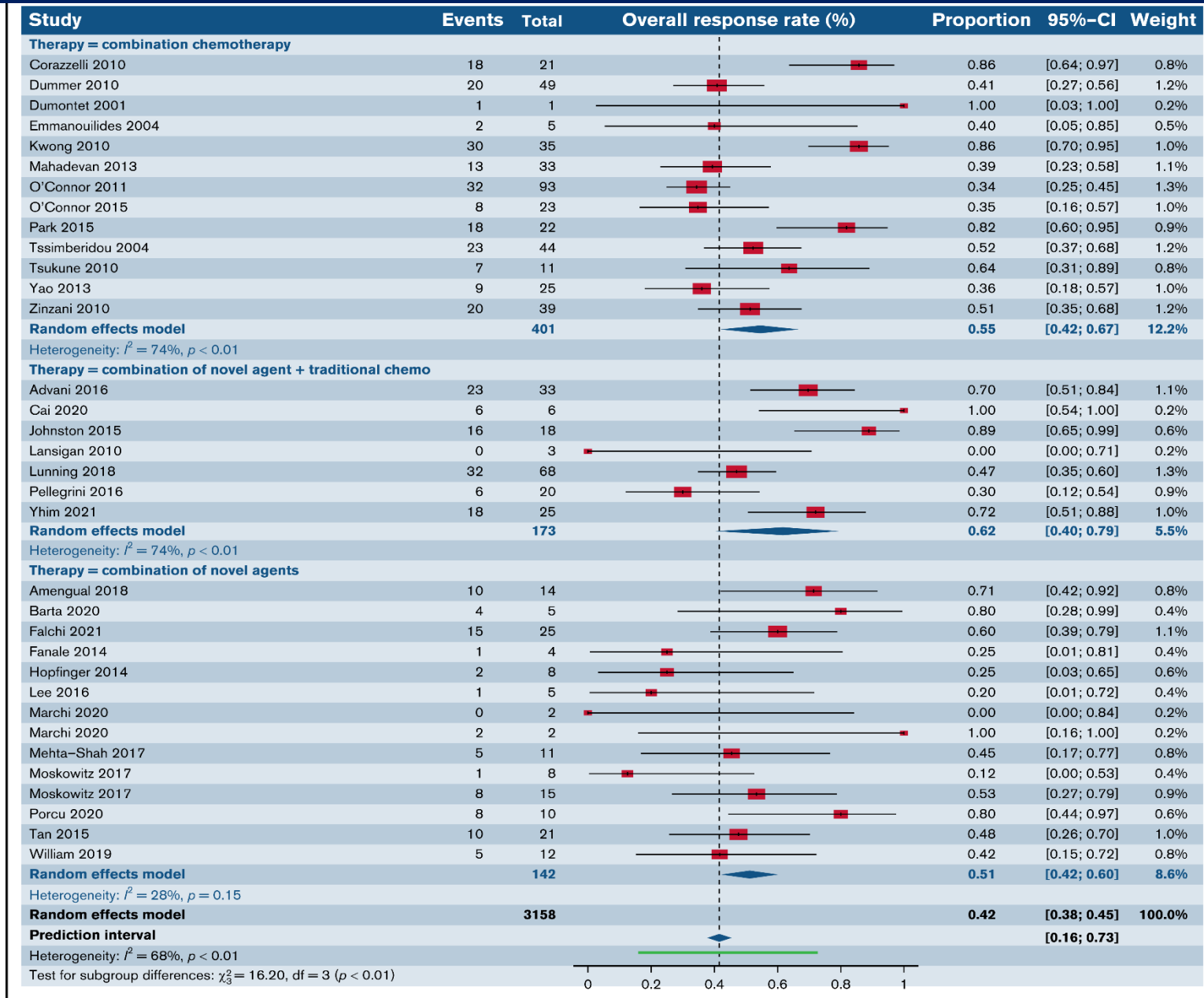
**VAV1** in non-responder

**Activating mutations and translocations in the guanine exchange factor VAV1 in peripheral T-cell lymphomas**

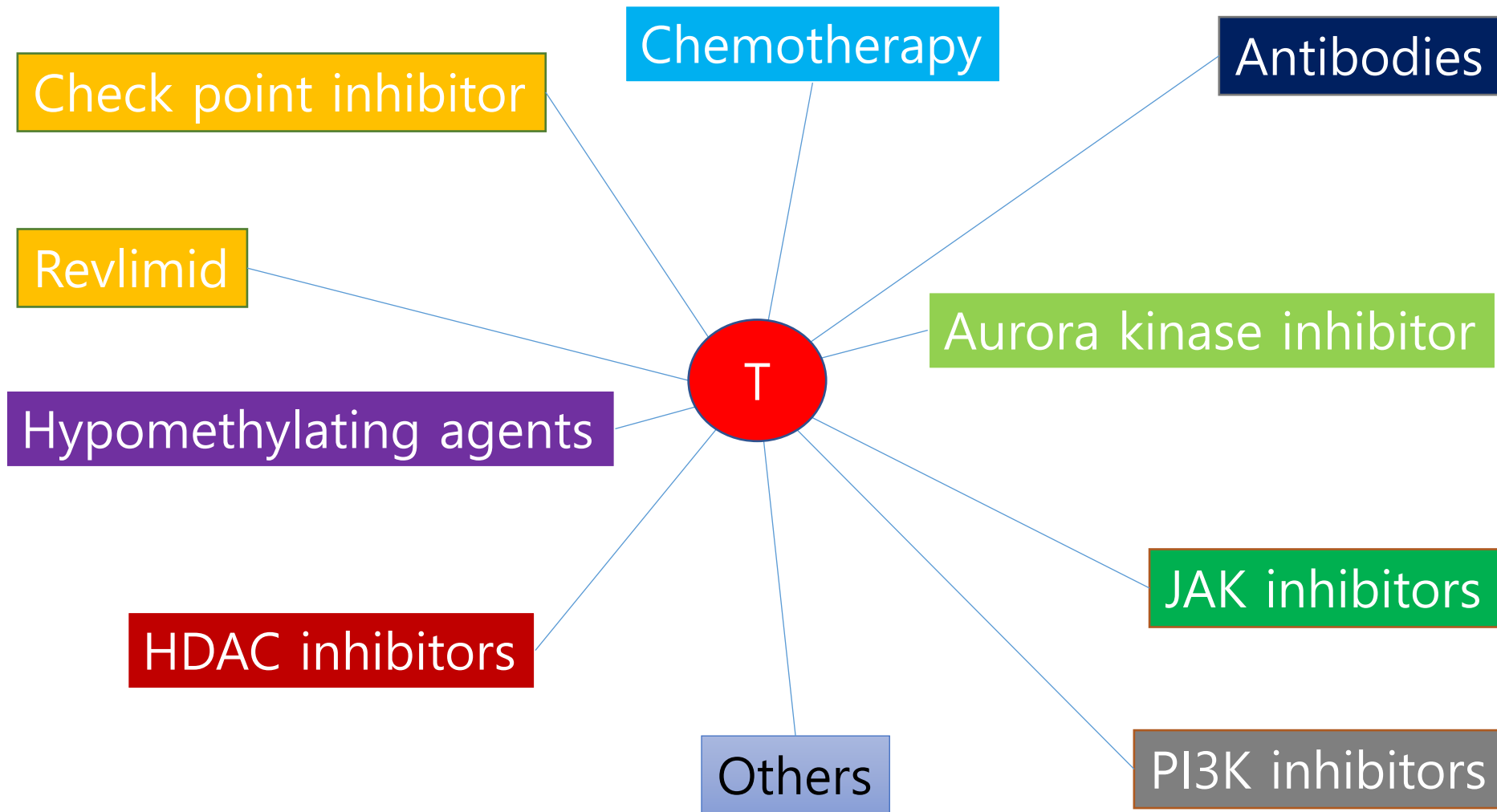
*PTPRC* may be a tumor suppressor in more mature T-cell neoplasms

**Molecular heterogeneity in peripheral T-cell lymphoma, not otherwise specified revealed by comprehensive genetic profiling**

# Comparative efficacy and tolerability of novel agents vs chemotherapy in relapsed and refractory T-cell lymphomas: a meta-analysis



# Effective combination



# Future directions

- **Better characterization of disease**
  - Classification
  - Molecular analysis
  - Determine the way to describe microenvironment
  - Preclinical model...
- **Salvage**
  - Combination therapy with target + chemotherapy
  - Targeted + Targeted
    - Effective doublet / triplet to be pushed to salvage
  - Immune therapy (PD1/PDL1/CART?)

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