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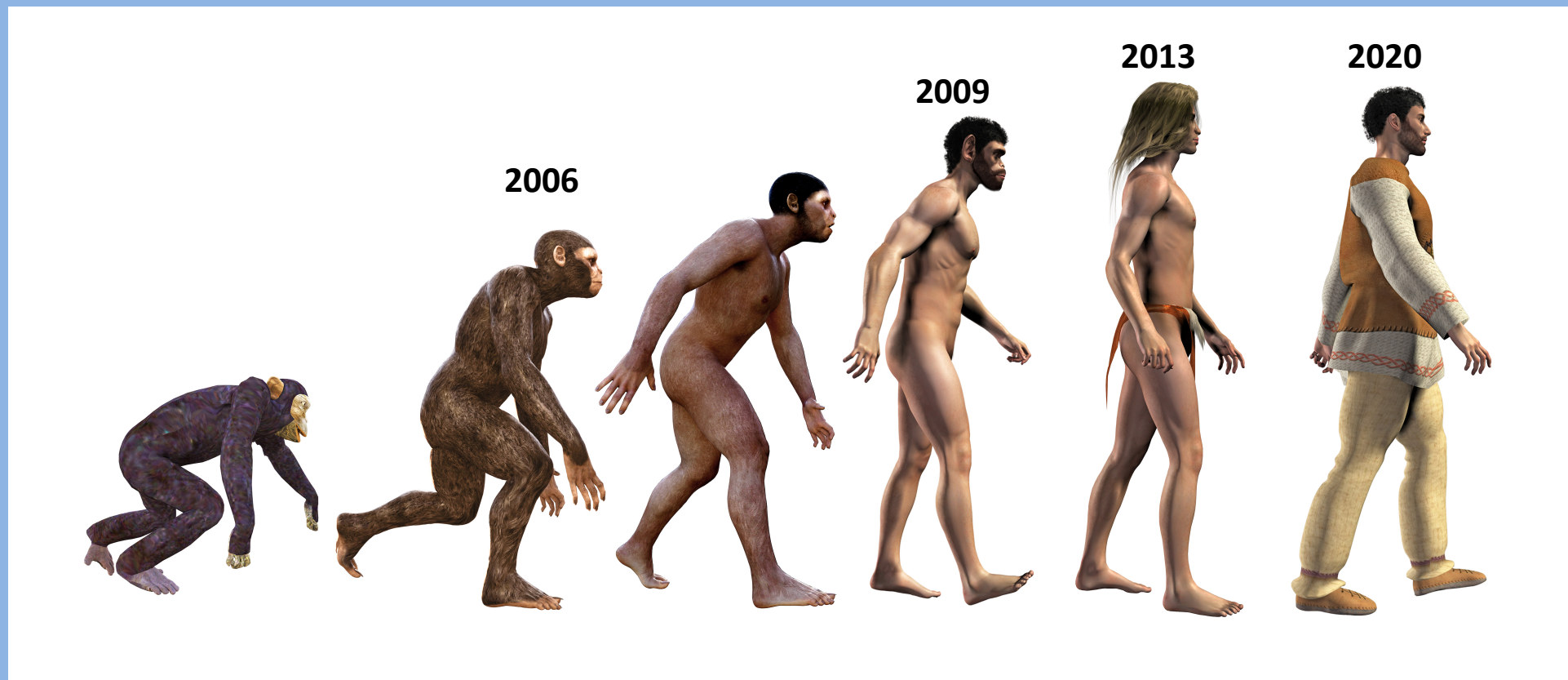
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Evolution of ELN Recommendations for CML



ELN Recommendations for CML: 2006

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Salvage	Allogeneic SCT			
Milestones	CCyR			
Concerns/ Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short follow-up • Possibility of emerging mutations 			



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short follow-up • Possibility • Emerging mutations 	Risk of emerging mutations decreasing	TFR, mainly inside the frame of RCTs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ponatinib dose optimization proposed • Asciminib announced





European LeukemiaNet 2020 recommendations for treating chronic myeloid leukemia

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The ELN panel for recommendations in CML comprises 34 experts from Europe, America, and the Asian-Pacific areas. The panel met six times at international meetings of the American Society of Hematology (2015, 2016), the European School of Hematology (2017), the ELN (2019), the European Investigators on CML (2019), and the European School of Hematology/International CML Foundation (2019). Five sets of key questions were submitted to panel members to complement the meetings. Discordant opinions were harmonized by email discussions, and a consensus of 75–100% was reached in most, but not all instances. Unresolved controversies are described in the discussion section. The costs of the meetings and the preparation of the interim and final reports were born entirely by ELN, a research network of excellence initiated by the European Union, now funded by donations and projects of ELN participants. There was no financial support from industry for any activity. Treatment recommendations are

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Diagnostic work-up, baseline.

Physical examination with particular reference to spleen and liver size

Complete blood cell count with microscopic differential

Bone marrow aspirate for cytologic examination and cytogenetics; core biopsy if dry tap

Chromosome banding analysis (CBA)

Fluorescence in-situ hybridization (FISH) only in case of Ph-negativity

Qualitative reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (PCR) for the detection of BCR-ABL1 transcripts and identification of the transcript type

Electrocardiogram

Standard biochemical profile with hepatitis B-serology



Relative risk of CML patients according to clinical and haematological data at diagnosis

	SOKAL Overall Survival CHT	EURO Overall Survival α – IFN	EUTOS CCyR at 18M IMATINIB	EUTOS Long-term Survival CML-related Survival IMATINIB
Age (yrs)	0,0166 x (Age-43,4)	0.666 x Age (> 50)	-	0.0025 x (Age/10)³
Spleen (cm)	0,0345 x (Spleen-7,51)	0.042 x Spleen	4 x Spleen	0.0615 x Spleen
Platelets (10 ³ / μ L)	0,188 x [(PLT/700)²-0,563]	1.0956 x PLT (> 1500)	-	0.4104 x (PLT count/1000)^{-0.5}
Myeloblast (%)	0,0887 x (MB-2,1)	0.0584 x MB	-	0.1052 x MB
Eosinophils (%)	-	0.20399 x Bas (> 3)	7 x Bas	
Basophils (%)	-	0.0413 x Eos	-	
Relative risk				
Low	≤ 0.80	≤ 780	≤ 87	< 1.5680
Intermediate	0.81 – 1.20	781-1480	-	1.568 - 2.2185
High	> 1.21	> 1481	> 87	2.2185

SOKAL et al. Blood 1984; 63: 789-799
 HASFORD et al. JNCI 1998; 90: 850-858
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 PFIRRMANN M et al, LEUKEMIA 2016;30:48-56



Outcome according to risk scores

Risk strata proportions and outcome						
	Low risk		Intermediate risk		High risk	
<i>n</i> = 5154	Sokal	ELTS	Sokal	ELTS	Sokal	ELTS
%	38	55	38	28	23	13
10-year OS	89%	88%	81%	79%	75%	68%
6-year LRD	3%	2%	4%	5%	8%	12%

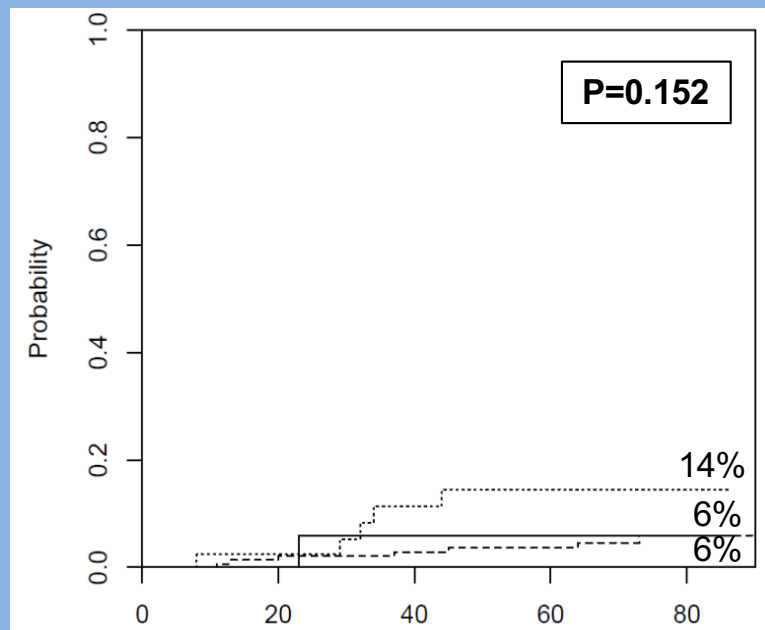
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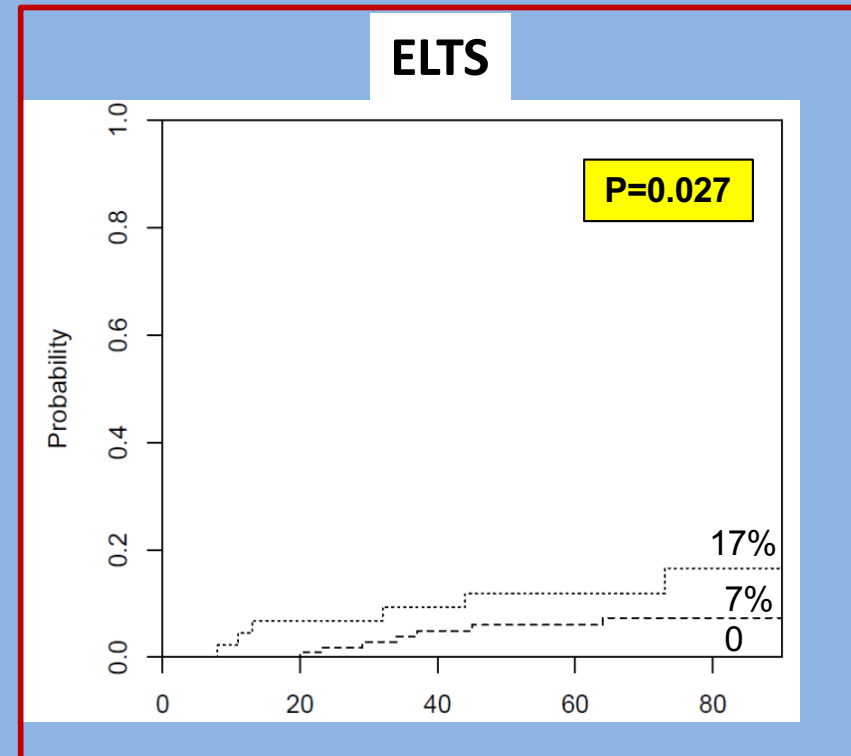
Elderly patients (≥ 65 yrs) N = 202

Leukemia-related survival by risk

SOKAL



ELTS



Castagnetti et al, ASH 2018



ELN treatment milestones 2020

	Optimal	Warning	Failure
Baseline	NA	High-risk ACA, high-risk ELTS score	NA



2326 patients: : 570 pts with ACAs (24,5%) (at dx and later)

High-risk group: 3q26 rearrangement, -7/7q-, i(17q) isolated or as a component of complex k

Int-2 group: other complex k without a HR component

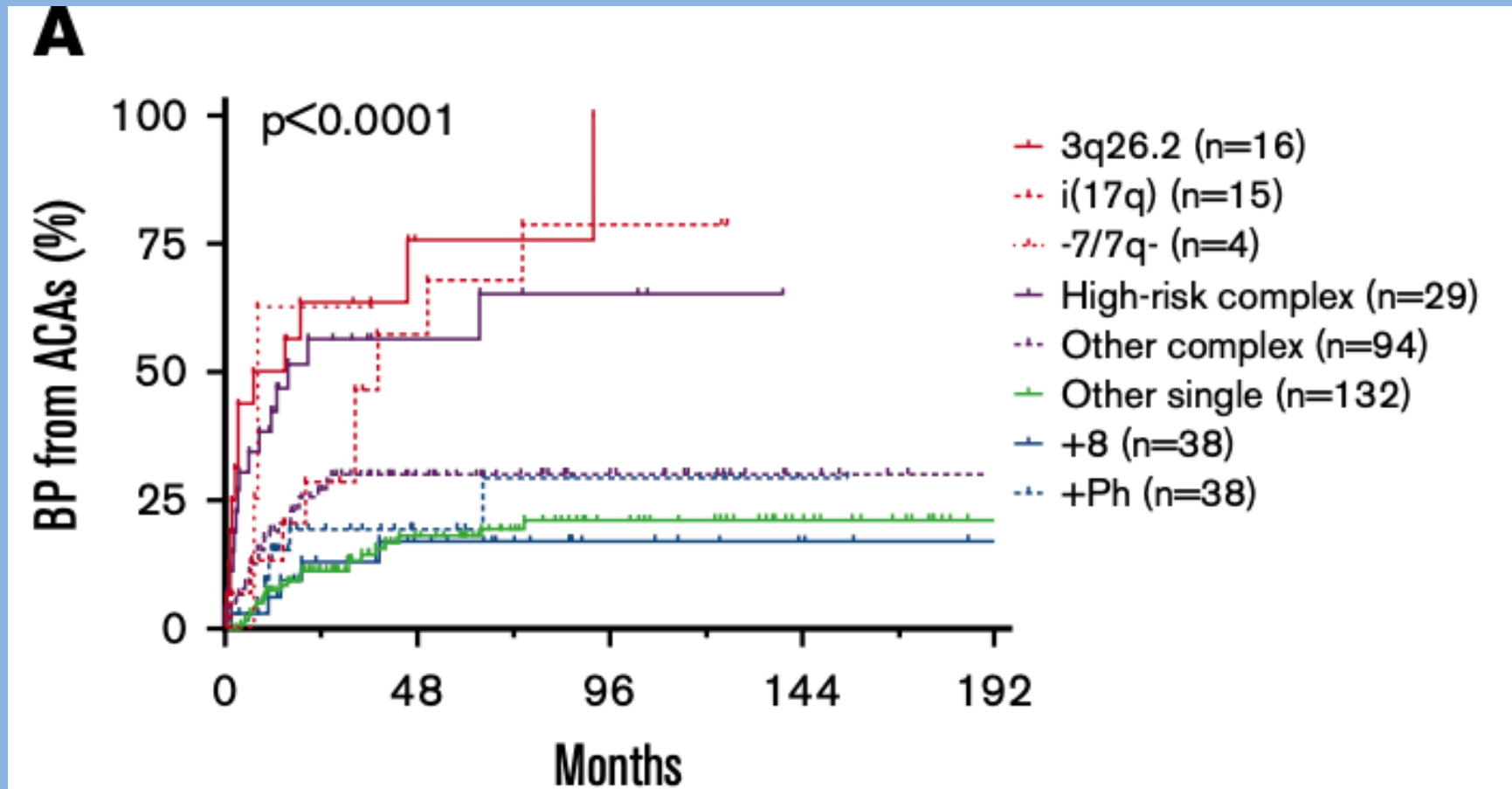
Int-1 group: +8,+Ph, or other single ACAs

SR group: without ACAs

Cytogenetics-based risk prediction of blastic transformation of chronic myeloid leukemia in the era of TKI therapy

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2326 patients: 164 at initial diagnosis (7%)



Progression to accelerated phase / blast crisis

5-year risk (ITT)

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Dasatinib vs Imatinib

12 vs 19

Nilotinib vs Imatinib

10 vs 21

1 year risk

Bosutinib vs Imatinib

4 vs 6

Cortes et al. DASISION. JCO 2016

Hochhaus et al. ENESTnd. LEUKEMIA 2016

Cortes et al. BFORE. Lancet Oncol. 2018



Molecular response

	MMR by 5 years	MR ^{4.5}	≤10% EMR, at 3 months
DAS vs IM	76% 64%	42% 33%	84% 64%
NIL vs IM	77% 60%	54% 31%	91% 67%
	by 2 years		
BOS vs IM	66% 57%	20% 15%	75% 57%

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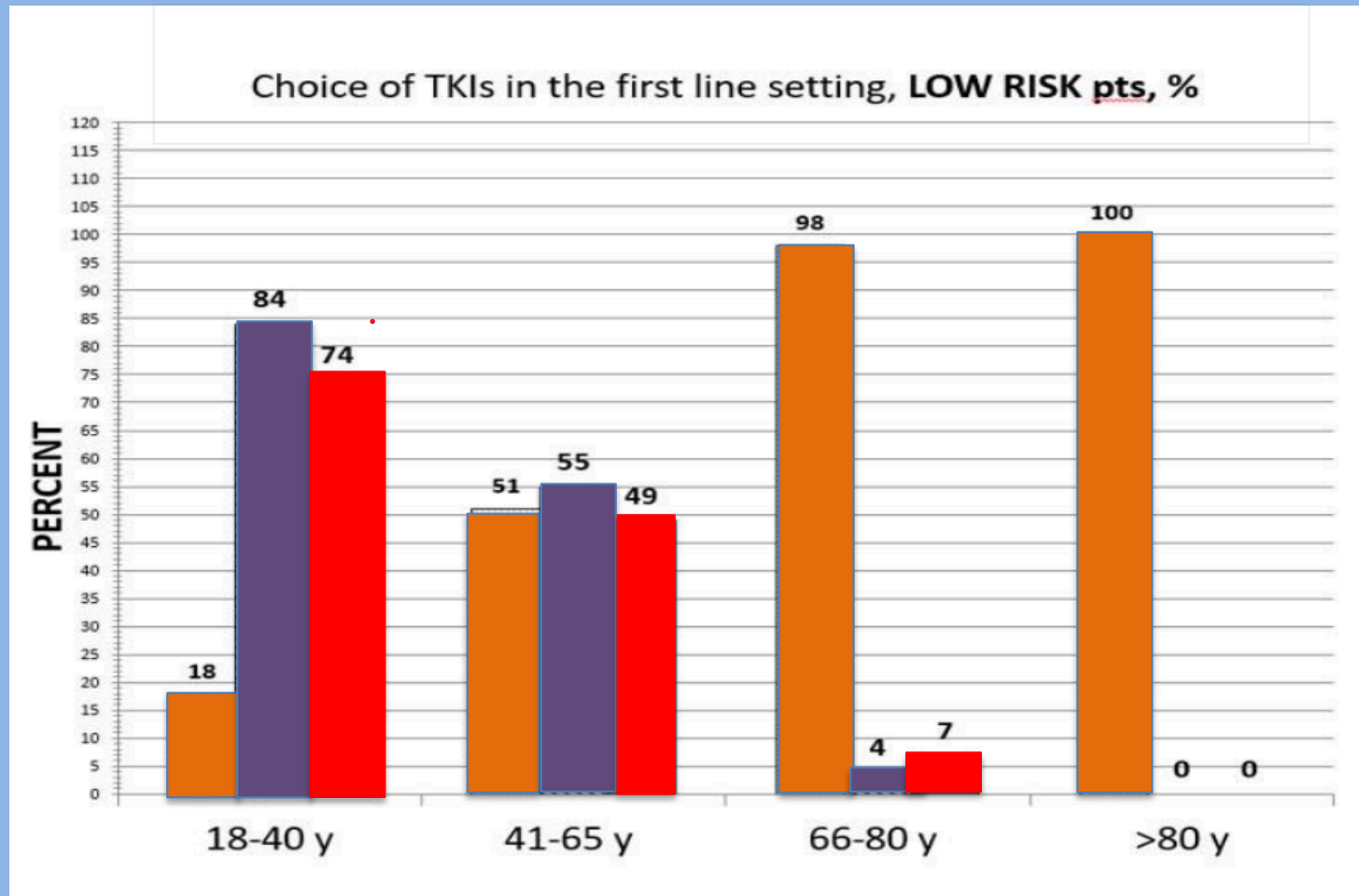
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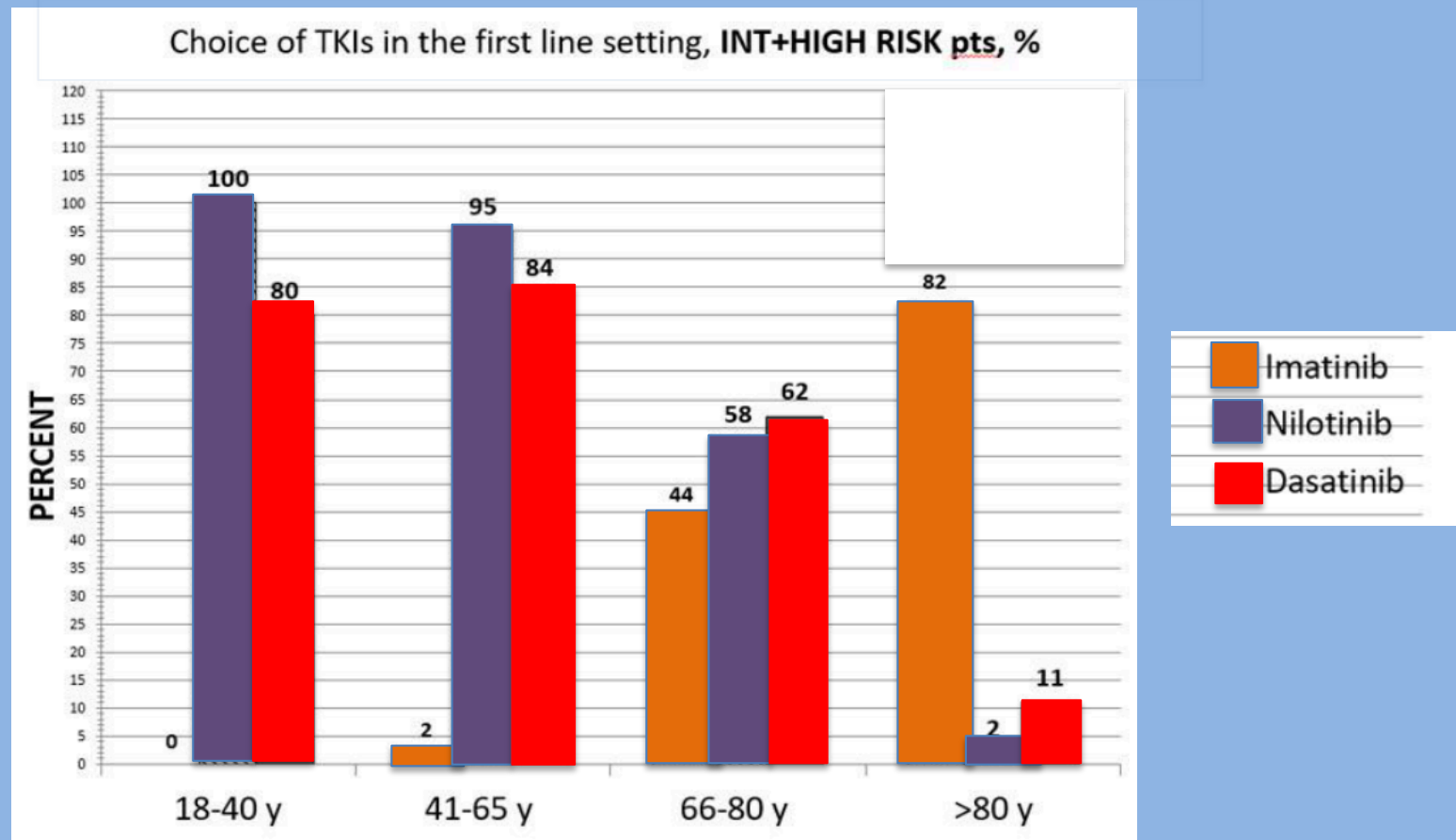
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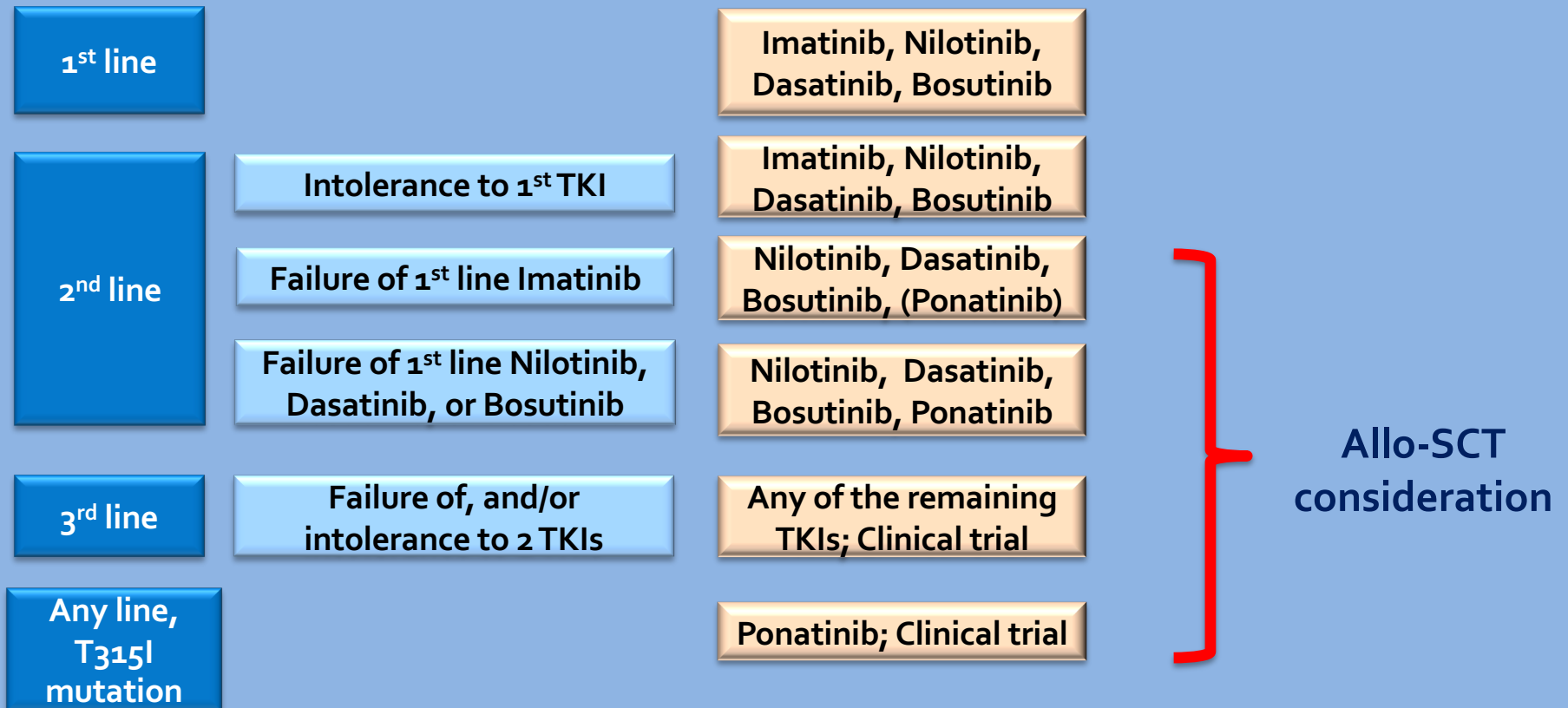
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Any time	$\leq 0.1\%$	$> 0.1-1\%$, loss of $\leq 0.1\%$ (MMR) ^a	$> 1\%$, resistance mutations, high-risk ACA

Recommendations for Switch: CP-CML



Hochhaus et al., Leukemia 2020, May 4th



ELN, second line policy

«In the absence of BCR-ABL1 KD-mutations, there can be no clear recommendation for any particular 2GTKI: all second-line TKIs are effective, but there are no studies comparing the TKIs with each other»

«In patients with resistance to a 2GTKI without specific mutations ponatinib is preferred rather than an alternative 2GTKI unless cardiovascular risk factors preclude its use»



CML Resistant to a 2G TKI frontline

nilotinib failure > dasatinib failure > ponatinib

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For patients aiming at TFR, the optimal response (at any time) is BCR-ABL1 $\leq 0.01\%$ (MR⁴).

A change of treatment may be considered if MMR is not reached by 36–48 months.



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