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**ALGORITMO TERAPEUTICO**

**LINFOMI B DIFFUSI A GRANDI CELLULE**

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**HIGHLIGHTS IN EMATOLOGIA**

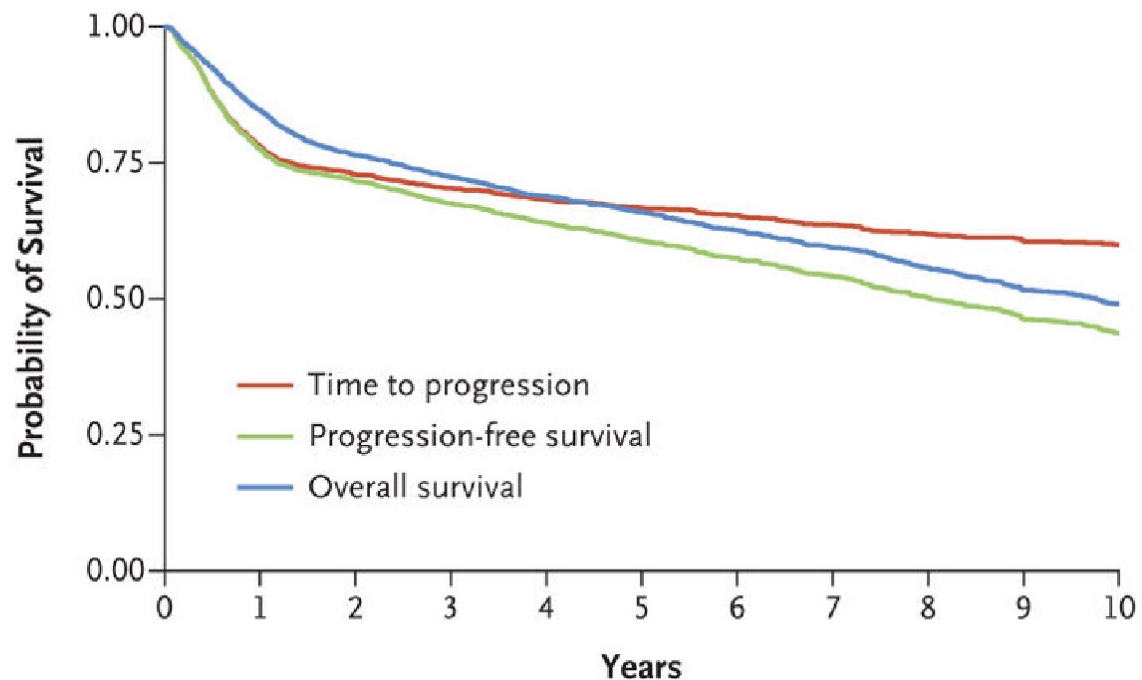
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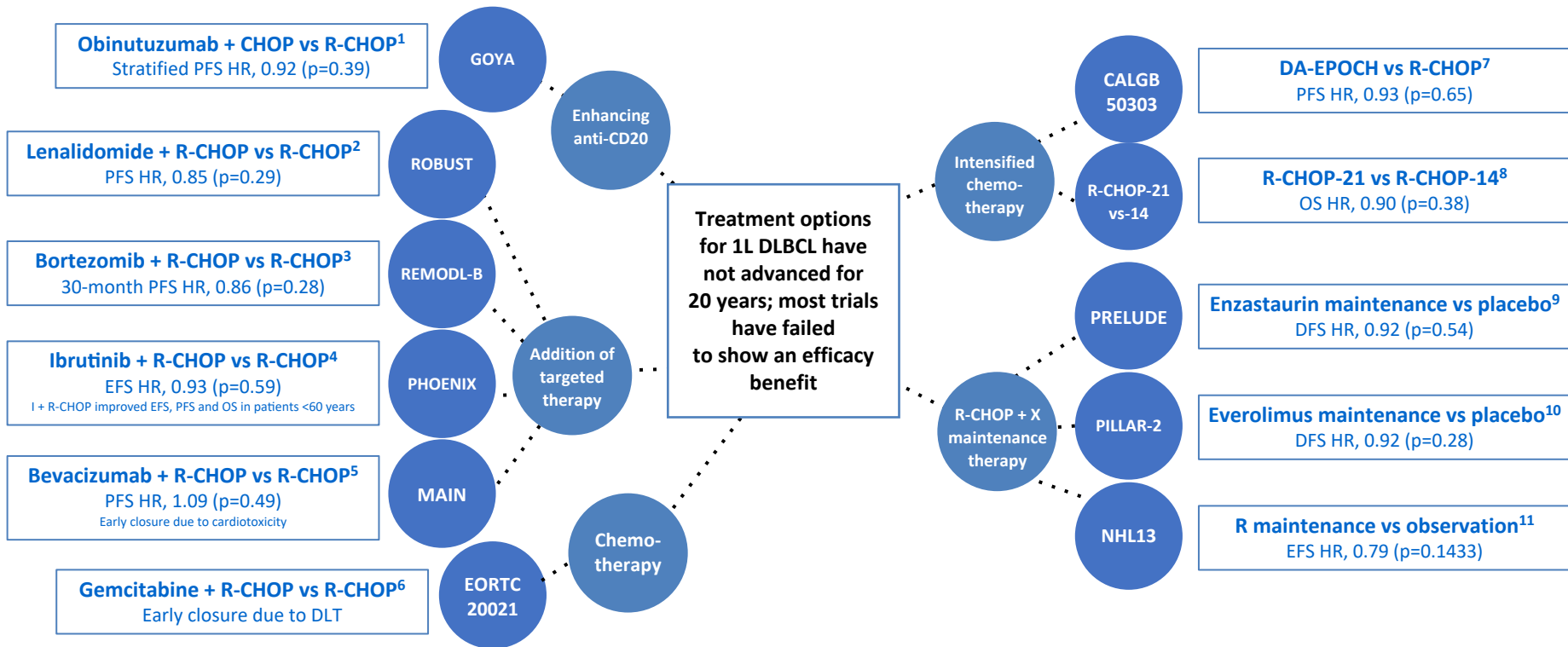
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Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma. LH. Sehn, G. Salles. N Engl J Med. 2021 March 04; 384(9): 842–858.

Outcomes of Patients with DLBCL



## R-CHOP: ANCORA LO STANDARD?





## POLARIX Study design overview

- **Double-blind, randomized controlled**
- Collaboration with LYSA
- NCT03274492

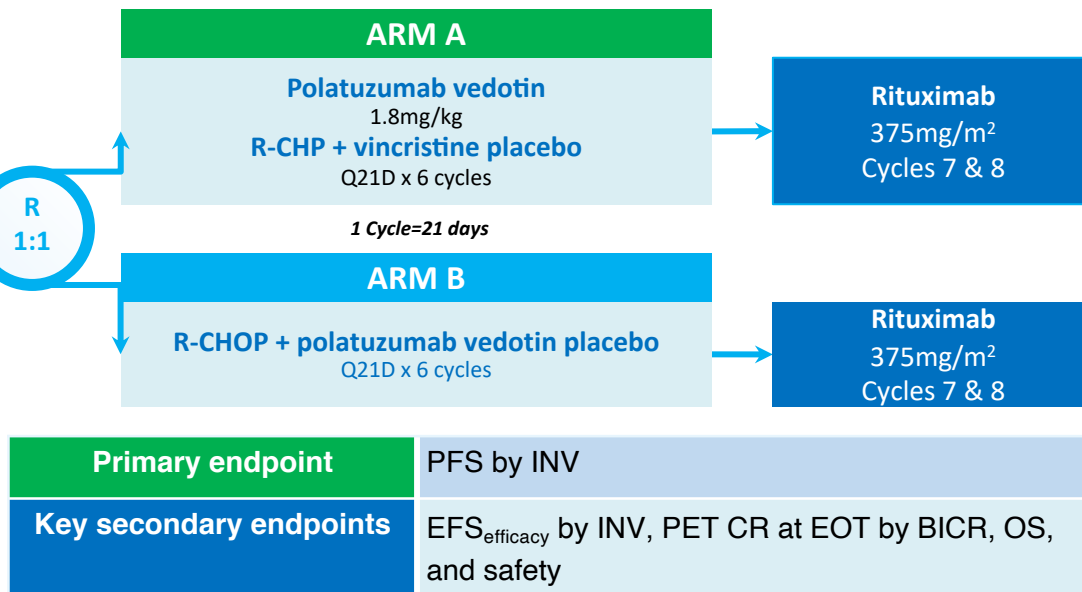
### Patients

- Previously untreated DLBCL
- Age 18–80 years
- IPI 2–5
- ECOG PS 0–2

N=879

### Stratification factors

- IPI score (2 vs 3–5)
- Bulky disease ( $\geq 7.5$ cm vs absence)
- Geographic region\*



\*Western Europe, United States, Canada and Australia vs Asia vs Rest of World. BICR, blinded independent central review; CR, complete response; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; EFS<sub>efficacy</sub>, event-free survival for efficacy causes (time from randomization to the earliest occurrence of disease progression/relapse, death due to any cause, initiation of any non-protocol specified anti-lymphoma treatment, or biopsy-confirmed residual disease after treatment completion); EOT, end of treatment; INV, investigator; IPI, International Prognostic Index; LYSA, Lymphoma Study Association; PET, positron emission tomography; Q21D, every 21 days; R, randomization; R-CHP, rituximab plus cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, prednisone.

## Polatuzumab Vedotin in Previously Untreated Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma

Tilly H, et al. New Engl J Med 2022;386:351–63

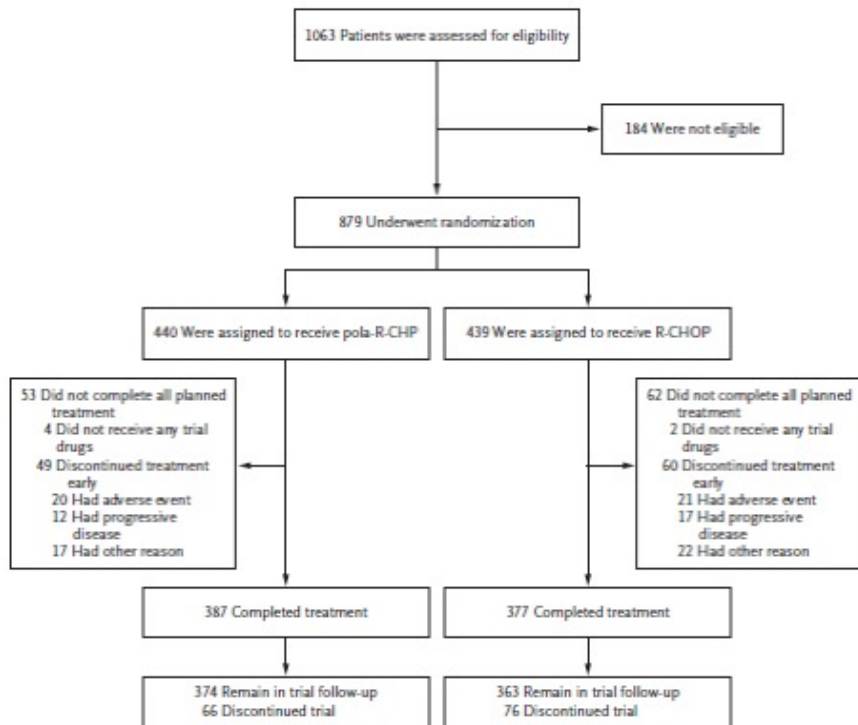


Table 2. Efficacy (Intention-to-Treat Population).

Variable	Pola-R-CHP (N = 440)	R-CHOP (N = 439)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
<b>Progression-free survival*</b>				
Patients who died or had progression or relapse — no. (%)	107 (24.3)	134 (30.5)	0.73 (0.57–0.95)	0.02
Earliest event — no.				
Death	19	20		
Progression or relapse	88	114		
Estimate at 1 year (95% CI) — %	83.9 (80.4–87.4)	79.8 (75.9–83.6)		
Estimate at 2 years (95% CI) — %	76.7 (72.7–80.8)	70.2 (65.8–74.6)		
<b>Event-free survival*</b>				
Patients who died, had progression or relapse, or had other events — no. (%)†	112 (25.5)	138 (31.4)	0.75 (0.58–0.96)	0.02
Earliest event — no.				
Death	18	20		
Progression or relapse	86	106		
Other‡	8	12		
Estimate at 2 years (95% CI) — %	75.6 (71.5–79.7)	69.4 (65.0–73.8)		
<b>Response status at treatment completion‡</b>				
Overall response — no. (%)	376 (85.5)	368 (83.8)		
Complete response	343 (78.0)	325 (74.0)		
Partial response	33 (7.5)	43 (9.8)		
Stable disease — no. (%)	8 (1.8)	6 (1.4)		
Progressive disease — no. (%)	22 (5.0)	28 (6.4)		
Not evaluated or data missing — no. (%)	34 (7.7)	37 (8.4)		
<b>Overall survival</b>				
Patients who died — no. (%)	53 (12.0)	57 (13.0)	0.94 (0.65–1.37)	0.75
Estimate at 2 years (95% CI) — %	88.7 (85.7–91.6)	88.6 (85.6–91.6)		
<b>Disease-free survival‡</b>				
No. of patients who could be evaluated¶	381	363		
Patients who died or had relapse — no. (%)	62 (16.3)	79 (21.8)	0.70 (0.50–0.98)	
Earliest event — no.				
Death	8	13		
Relapse	54	66		

\* Events of progression or relapse were assessed by the investigator.

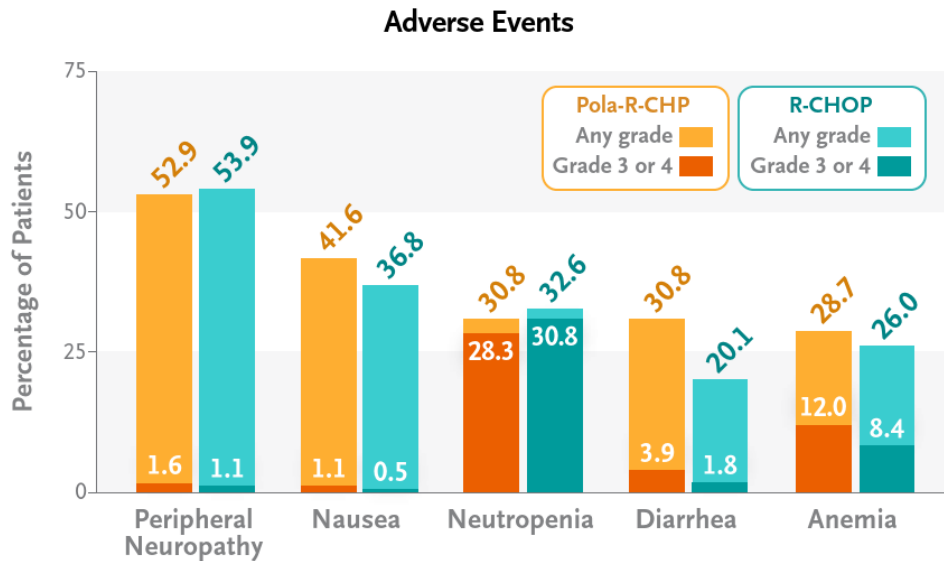
† Other events are subsequent therapy for lymphoma or biopsy-confirmed residual disease after treatment.

‡ Response was assessed by an independent central review committee.

§ Events of relapse were assessed by the investigator.

¶ Patients who had a best response of complete response at any time during the trial could be evaluated for disease-free survival; see Table S3.

## Safety: common adverse events



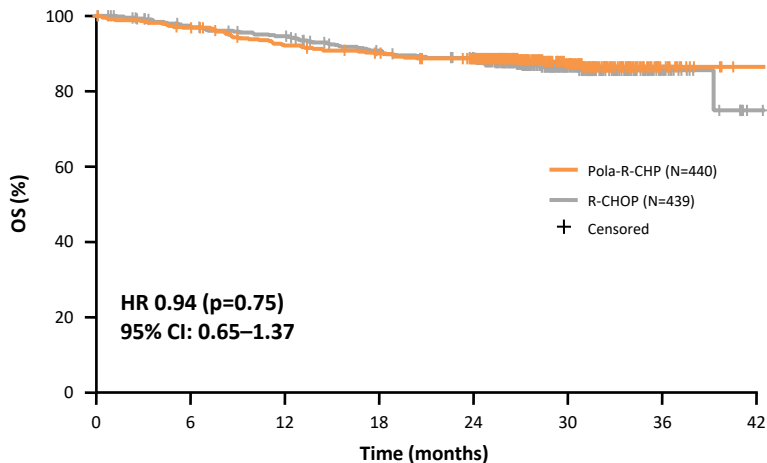
**Table 3. Adverse Events during the Treatment Period (Safety Population).\***

Adverse Event	Pola-R-CHP (N=435)		R-CHOP (N=438)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4
	<i>number of patients (percent)</i>			
Peripheral neuropathy†	230 (52.9)	7 (1.6)	236 (53.9)	5 (1.1)
Nausea	181 (41.6)	5 (1.1)	161 (36.8)	2 (0.5)
Neutropenia	134 (30.8)	123 (28.3)	143 (32.6)	135 (30.8)
Diarrhea	134 (30.8)	17 (3.9)	88 (20.1)	8 (1.8)
Anemia	125 (28.7)	52 (12.0)	114 (26.0)	37 (8.4)
Constipation	125 (28.7)	5 (1.1)	127 (29.0)	1 (0.2)
Fatigue	112 (25.7)	4 (0.9)	116 (26.5)	11 (2.5)
Alopecia	106 (24.4)	0	105 (24.0)	1 (0.2)
Decreased appetite	71 (16.3)	5 (1.1)	62 (14.2)	3 (0.7)
Pyrexia	68 (15.6)	6 (1.4)	55 (12.6)	0
Vomiting	65 (14.9)	5 (1.1)	63 (14.4)	3 (0.7)
Febrile neutropenia	62 (14.3)	60 (13.8)	35 (8.0)	35 (8.0)
Headache	56 (12.9)	1 (0.2)	57 (13.0)	4 (0.9)
Cough	56 (12.9)	0	53 (12.1)	0
Decreased weight	55 (12.6)	4 (0.9)	52 (11.9)	1 (0.2)
Asthenia	53 (12.2)	7 (1.6)	53 (12.1)	2 (0.5)
Dysgeusia	49 (11.3)	0	57 (13.0)	0

## OS remained similar between treatment arms

Primary analysis (CCOD: June 28, 2021)<sup>1</sup>

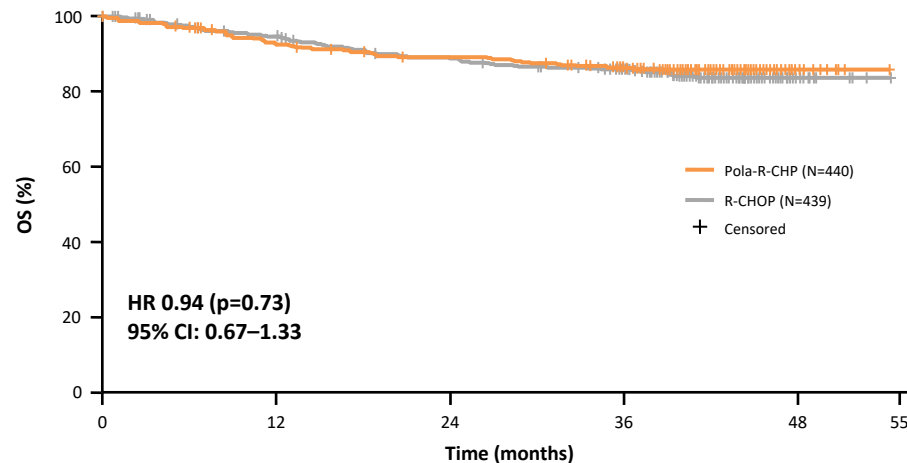
Median follow-up: 28.2 months



No. of patients at risk								
Pola-R-CHP	440	423	397	384	362	140	15	1
R-CHOP	439	414	401	376	355	132	20	1

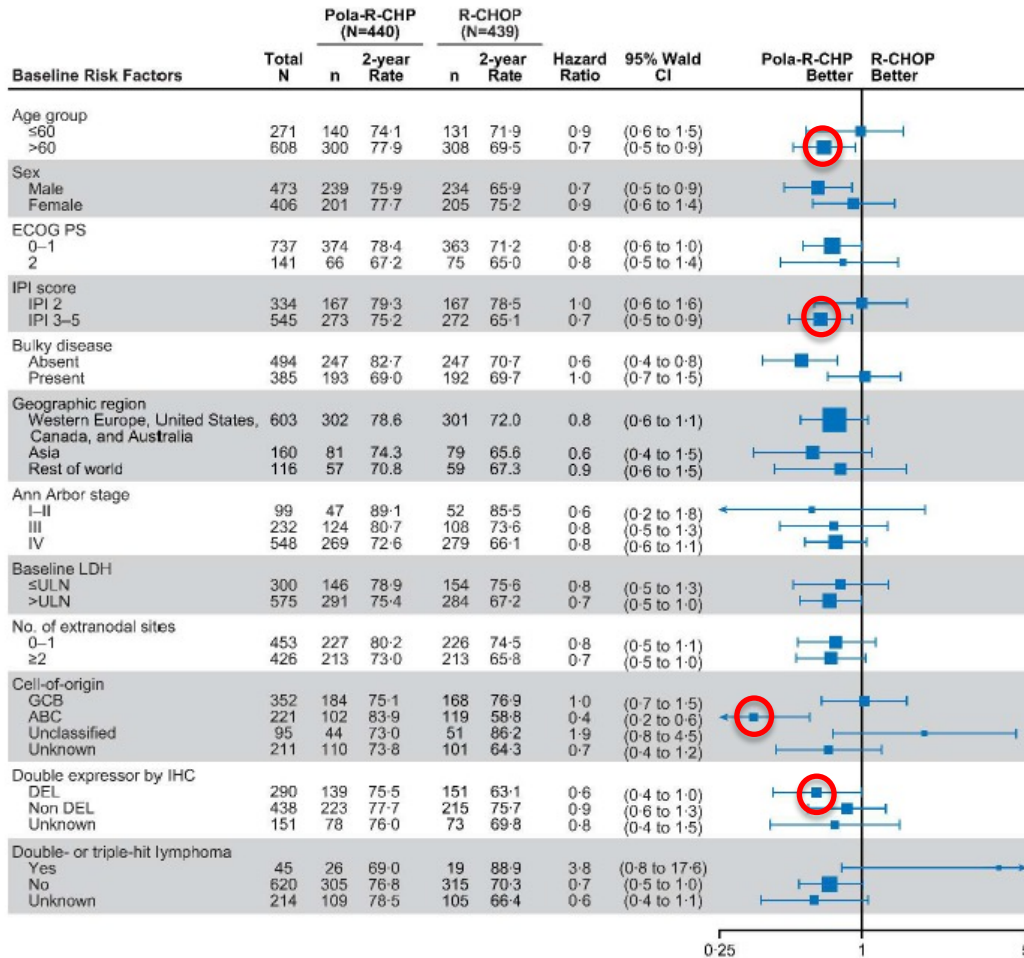
Updated results (CCOD: June 15, 2022)

Median follow-up: 39.7 months



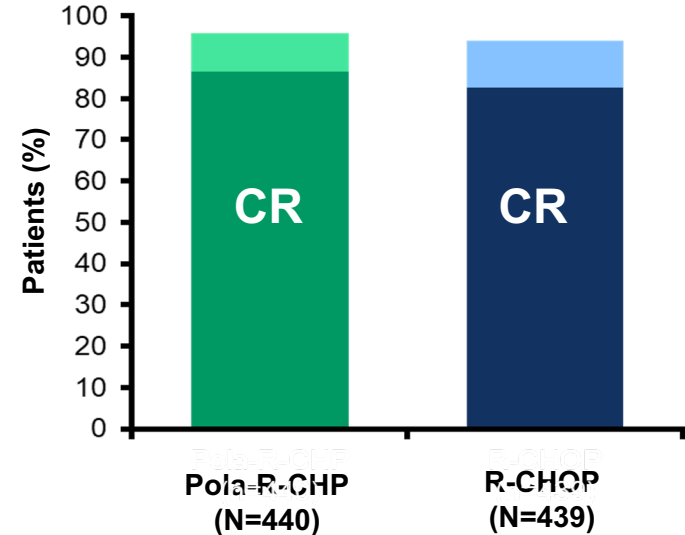
No. of patients at risk										
Pola-R-CHP	440	423	398	387	379	371	338	129	13	1
R-CHOP	439	415	403	382	372	361	329	124	18	1

**No new safety signals** have been identified with longer follow-up compared with the primary analysis



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### Best overall response



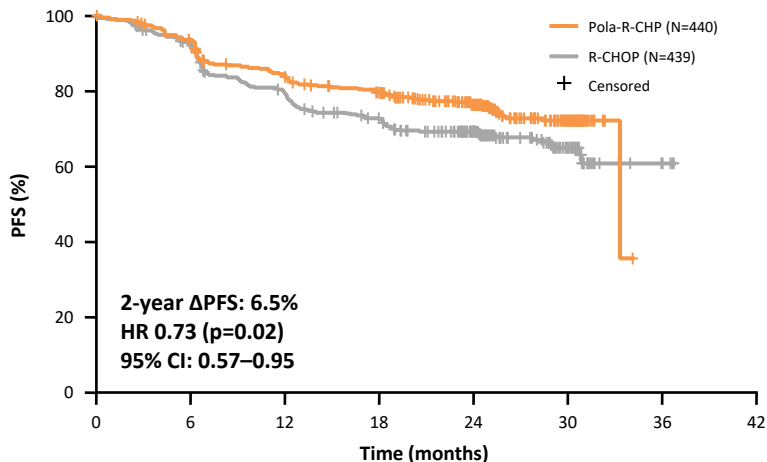
Subgroup Analysis of Investigator-assessed PFS (ITT Population).



## PFS benefit with Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP was maintained with longer follow-up

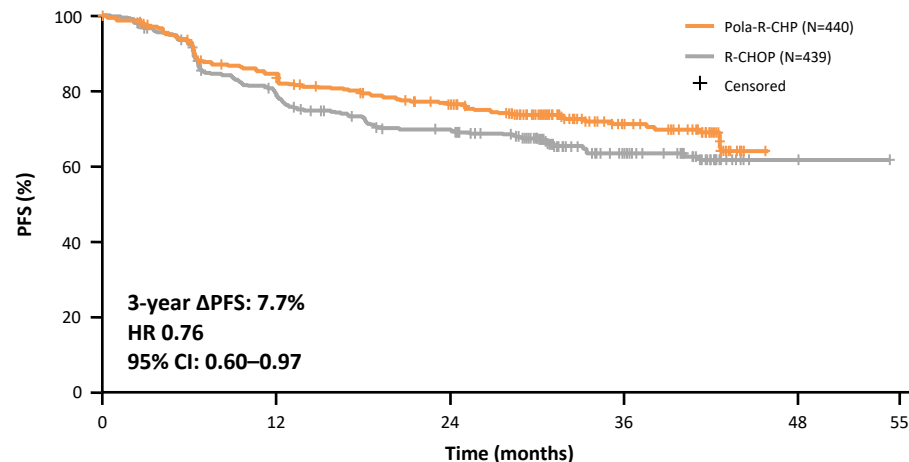
Primary analysis (CCOD: June 28, 2021)<sup>1</sup>

Median follow-up: 28.2 months



Updated results (CCOD: June 15, 2022)

Median follow-up: 39.7 months



No. of patients at risk								
Pola-R-CHP	440	404	353	327	246	78	0	0
R-CHOP	439	389	330	296	220	78	3	0

No. of patients at risk										
Pola-R-CHP	440	405	354	331	313	242	103	66	0	0
R-CHOP	439	390	331	300	284	222	94	59	2	1

Analysis based on the ITT population.  
 ITT, intention-to-treat; NE, not evaluable; no., number.

Tilly H, et al. N Engl J Med 2022;386:351–63.

Herrera AF, et al. ASH 2022. Oral presentation 542<sup>7</sup>

## Five-Year Analysis of the POLARIX Study: Prolonged Follow-up Confirms Positive Impact of Polatuzumab Vedotin Plus Rituximab, Cyclophosphamide, Doxorubicin, and Prednisone (Pola-R-CHP) on Outcomes. Gilles Salles. Oral Presentation ASH 2024 abstract #469

ITT population. Pola-R-CHP: 440; R-CHOP: 439.

Expanded population. Pola-R-CHP: 500; R-CHOP: 500.

In the global ITT population (mFU 60.9 months):

5-year PFS: 64.2% vs. 59.1% with Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP.

5-year OS: 82.2% vs. 79.6%

5-year DFS: 71.3% vs 65.5%.

In the expanded population (mFU 60.5 m): 5-year PFS 63.1% vs. 59.1% with Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP.

5-year OS 82.2% vs. 79.0% with Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP, with no statistically significant difference.

5-year DFS 69.4% vs 65.1%.

Safety profiles were comparable with Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP.

The number of pts requiring subsequent systemic lymphoma therapy was 106 (21%) vs 145 (29%) with Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP.

The cumulative incidence of lymphoma-related death at 5 years was 9.1% vs 12.2% for Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP.

**Conclusions:** Extended 5-year follow-up of POLARIX demonstrated sustained and significant PFS and DFS benefits for pts receiving Pola-R-CHP vs R-CHOP. **These outcomes confirm Pola-R-CHP as a standard of care for pts with previously untreated intermediate- or high-risk DLBCL.**

## Pola-RCHP scheda AIFA

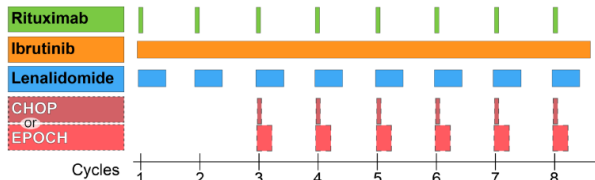
### DLBCL IPI 3

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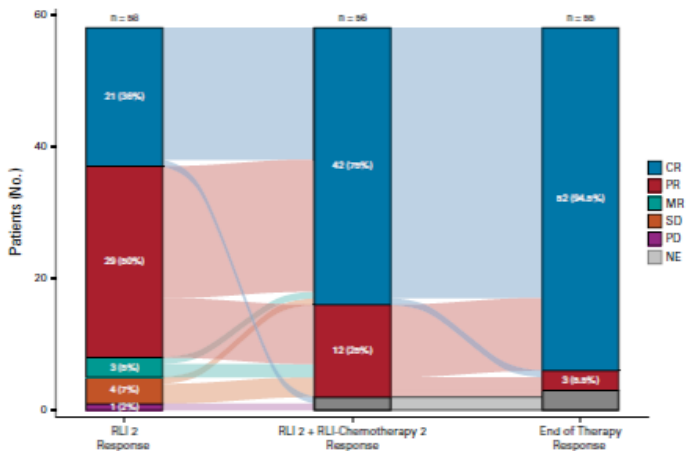
- ECOG >3
- NEUROPATIA G>1
- Coinvolgimento SNC
- FL G3b
- Indolente trasformato
- Epatopatia: Child-Pugh B e C
- Presenza di malattia cardiovascolare o polmonare clinicamente grave

## Smart Start: Rituximab, Lenalidomide, and Ibrutinib in Patients With Newly Diagnosed Large B-Cell Lymphoma

Jason Westin, MD, MS<sup>1</sup>; R. Eric Davis, MD<sup>1</sup>; Lei Feng, MS<sup>2</sup>; Fredrick Hagemester, MD<sup>1</sup>; Raphael Steiner, MD<sup>1</sup>; Hun Ju Lee, MD<sup>1</sup>;



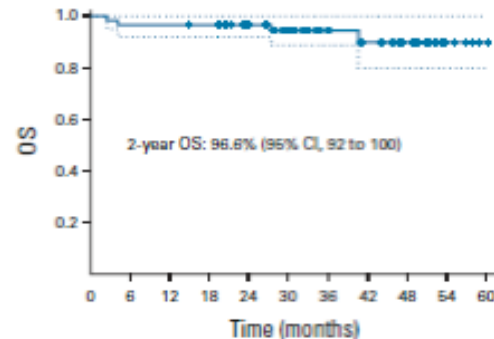
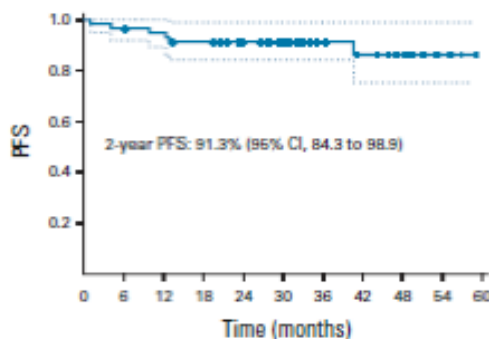
Supplemental Figure 1 Legend: A cycle of therapy was 21 days. Therapy on cycle 1 and 2 consisted of rituximab 375mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV on day 1, ibrutinib 560mg orally daily (amended to 420mg orally daily if >65 years old), and lenalidomide 25mg orally days 1-10 (RLI). Therapy on cycles 3-8 consisted of RLI with either CHOP (cyclophosphamide 750mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV on day 1, doxorubicin 50mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV on day 1, Vincristine 2mg IV on day 1, and Prednisone 100mg orally days 1-5) or EPOCH (etoposide 50mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day IV continuous days 1-4, Prednisone 100mg orally days 1-5, vincristine 0.4mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day IV continuous days 1-4, cyclophosphamide 750mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV on day 5, and Doxorubicin 10mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day IV continuously days 1-4).



60 patients non-GCB DLBCL  
single-arm phase II trial of rituximab, lenalidomide, and ibrutinib (RLI) with the sequential addition of chemotherapy  
RESULTS The median age was 63.5 years (range, 29-83 years) with 28% age 70 years or older. R-IPi identified 42% as HR, and 62% were DE.

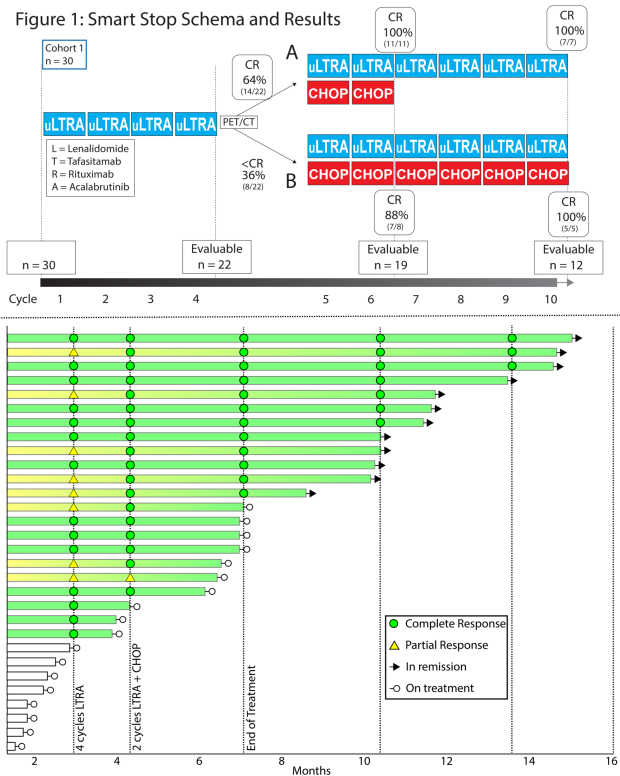
The ORR after two cycles of RLI was 86.2%, and the complete response rate at the end of RLI- chemotherapy was 94.5%.

With a mFU of 31 months, the PFS and OS were at 91.3% and 96.6% at 2 years, respectively.



## Smart Stop: Lenalidomide, Tafasitamab, Rituximab, and Acalabrutinib Alone and with Combination Chemotherapy for the Treatment of Newly Diagnosed Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma, Jason Westin, (ASH 2023 oral presentation #856)

Figure 1: Smart Stop Schema and Results



52 patients

The median age was 61 years (range: 32-85)

67% of patients have poor risk R-IPi,

77% had advanced stage

83% had the non-GCB subtype and 17% had the GCB subtype of DLBCL.

After 4 cycles of LTRA, the ORR is 100% and the CRR is 64%.

After an additional 2 cycles of LTRA-CHOP, the ORR is 100% and the CRR is 95%.

At end of all therapy, the CRR is 100%

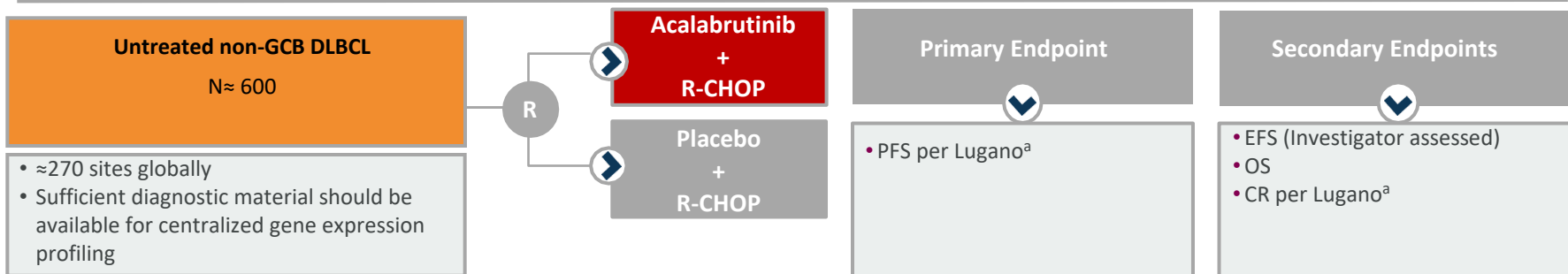
To date, no patient has progressive lymphoma-

47% of patients experienced rash (13% grade 3), and 40% of patients required a dose reduction of lenalidomide.

**Conclusions:** The Smart Stop trial demonstrates that combination of lenalidomide, tafasitamab, rituximab, and acalabrutinib is highly effective as an initial chemotherapy-free combination in patients with newly diagnosed DLBCL, and may allow for a response adapted reduction in chemotherapy.



## ESCALADE (ACE-LY-312): Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind Study of Acalabrutinib With R-CHOP in Subjects With Previously Untreated Non-GCB Subtype DLBCL (NCT04529772)



### Key Inclusion Criteria

- Adults ≥18y and ≤75y
- Histologically documented DLBCL (confirmation of non-GCB subtype by centralized gene expression profiling)
- No prior treatment for DLBCL
- ECOG PS 0–2
- Stage II–IV disease
- IPI score of 1–5

### Key Exclusion Criteria

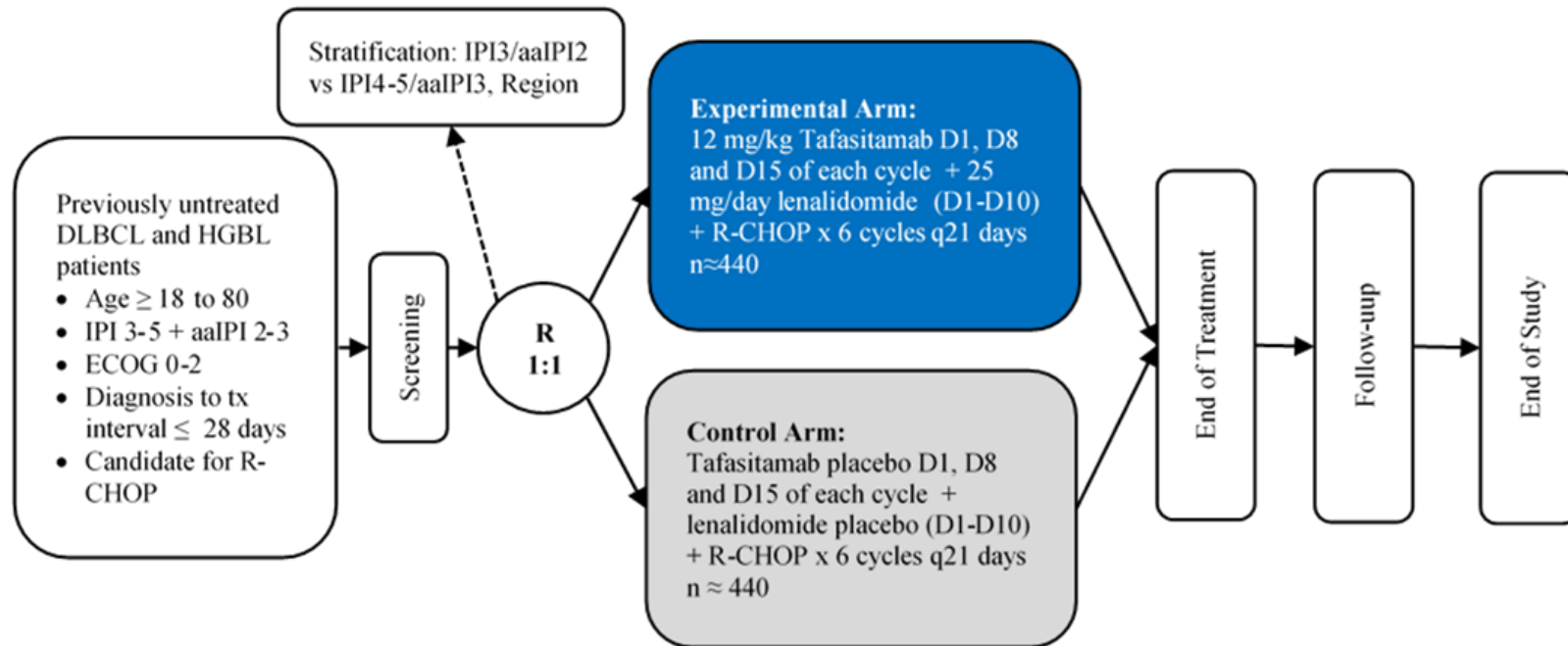
- Known CNS lymphoma or leptomeningeal disease
- Primary mediastinal lymphoma
- High-grade B-cell lymphoma with MYC and BCL2 and/or BCL6 rearrangements
- History of indolent lymphoma or CLL
- History of, or ongoing confirmed PML
- Significant cardiovascular diseases

### Key Trial Dates

Study start date: October 8, 2020  
 Estimated study completion date:  
 February 5, 2027  
 Current status: Recruiting

## FRONTMIND

A Phase 3, multicenter, randomized, trial comparing the efficacy and safety of Tafasitamab plus Lenalidomide in addition to R-CHOP versus R-CHOP in previously untreated high-intermediate and high-risk patients DLBCL



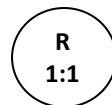
PI : Umberto Vitolo

Vitolo U, et al, 2022 TPS7590 Poster Session

## SKYGLO Study Design

### Patients

- CD20+ LBCL, including DLBCL, NOS, HGBCL
- IPI 2-5 (IPI 2 capped at 35% of overall sample size)
- Age 18-80
- ECOG PS 0-2



N=1130

Pola-R-CHP + Glofitamab  
(Cycles 1-6 + Cycles 2-6)

Glofit  
(Cycles 7-8)

Pola-R-CHP  
(Cycles 1-6)

Rituximab  
(Cycles 7-8)

Post treatment  
follow-up

### Stratification Factors

- IPI 2 vs IPI 3-5
- bulky disease defined as one lesion  $\geq 7.5$  cm (present vs absent)

**Primary EP:** PFS with 2-year follow-up (IRC)

**Key Secondary EPs\*:** PFS in IPI 3-5 (IRC), OS, EFS<sub>efficacy</sub> (IRC)

**Selected Secondary EPs** (no adjustment for multiplicity): PFC (INV), ORR, DOR, DOCR, DFS, safety, PK, PROs, ctDNA

**Exploratory:** Biomarkers

## Epcoritamab + R-CHOP as first line therapy in High-Risk DLBCL

### Study design: EPCORE NHL-2 arm 1

Arm 1 of EPCORE NHL-2, a phase 1b/2, open-label, multicenter trial, is evaluating the safety and antitumor activity of SC epcoritamab + standard R-CHOP for 6 cycles of 21 days, followed by epcoritamab monotherapy for a total of 1 year, in adults with previously untreated DLBCL with high-risk features<sup>a</sup>

#### Key inclusion criteria

- Newly diagnosed CD20<sup>+</sup> DLBCL<sup>b</sup>
  - DLBCL, NOS
  - T-cell/histiocyte-rich DLBCL
  - “Double-” or “triple-hit” DLBCL<sup>c</sup>
  - FL grade 3B
- IPI score ≥3
- ECOG PS 0–2
- Measurable disease by CT or MRI
- Adequate organ function

**Data cutoff: March 25, 2022**  
**Median follow-up: 6.9 mo**

#### Dose escalation, n=10

Step-up dosing

**Epcoritamab (SC)**  
**24 mg (n=4) or**  
**48 mg (n=6)**  
 QW C1–4,  
 Q3W C5–6,  
 Q4W C7+  
**+ R-CHOP**  
 C1–6

**Primary objectives:** DLT/Safety and tolerability  
**Key secondary objective:** Antitumor activity<sup>d</sup>



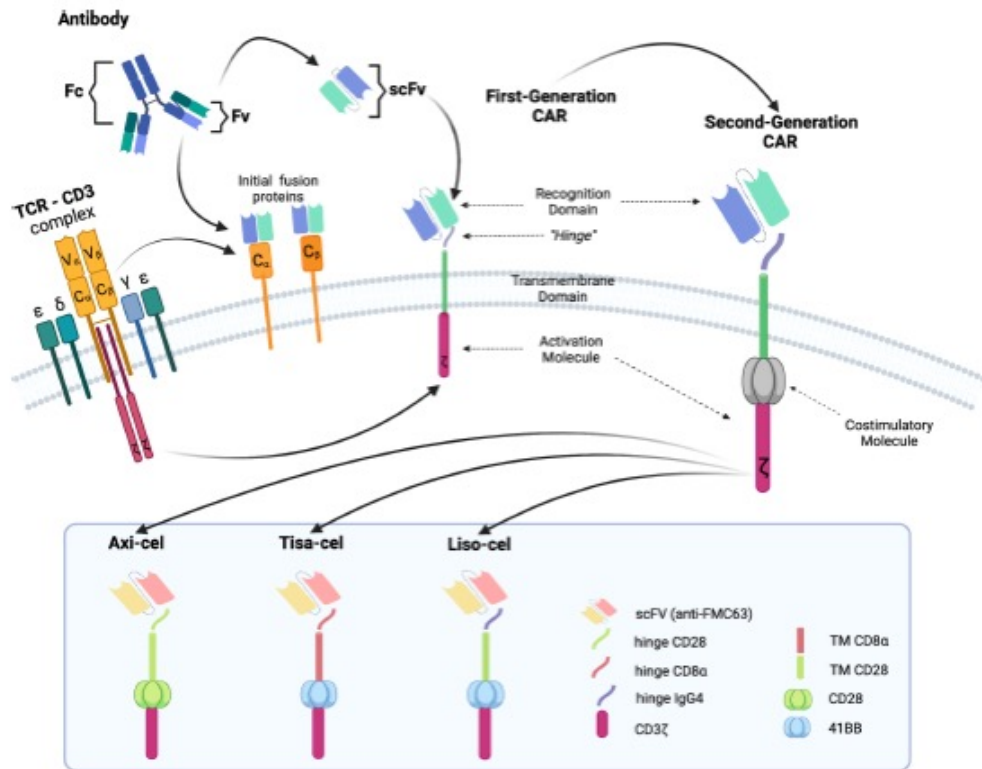
#### Expansion, n=23

Step-up dosing

**Epcoritamab (SC)**  
**48 mg**  
 QW C1–4,  
 Q3W C5–6,  
 Q4W C7+  
**+ R-CHOP**  
 C1–6

**Primary objective:** Antitumor activity<sup>d</sup>  
**Treatment up to 1 year**

## IMMUNOTERAPIA CELLULARE

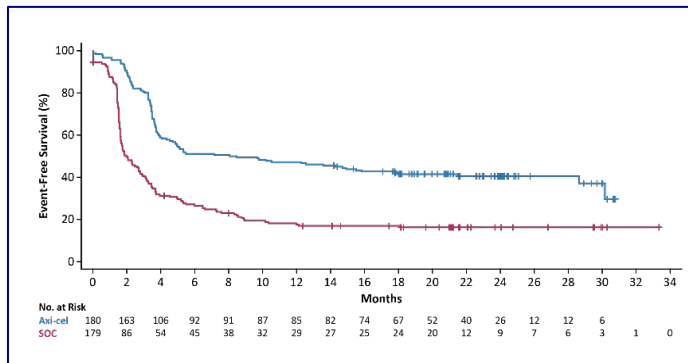




## CAR T vs. SoC in 2<sup>a</sup> linea per i DLBCL R/R - EFS

Axi-Cel

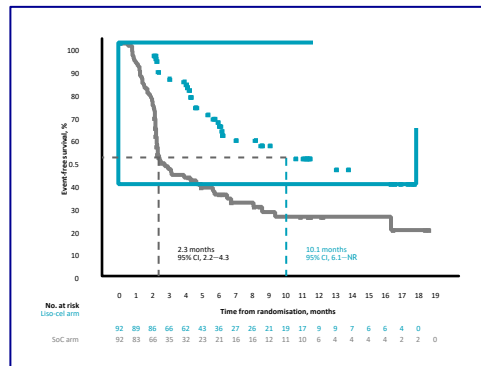
ZUMA-7<sup>1,2</sup>



Median follow-up: **24.9 m**  
HR: 0.40 (0.31–0.51)

Liso-Cel

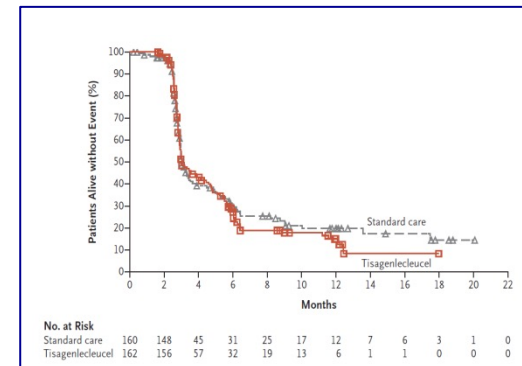
TRANSFORM<sup>3</sup>



Median follow-up: **6.2 m** HR:  
0.35 (0.23-0.53)

Tisa-Cel

BELINDA<sup>4,5</sup>



Median follow-up: **10.0 m**  
HR: 1.07 (0.82–1.40)

Cross-study comparisons cannot be made due to differences in study designs, endpoint definitions and patient populations

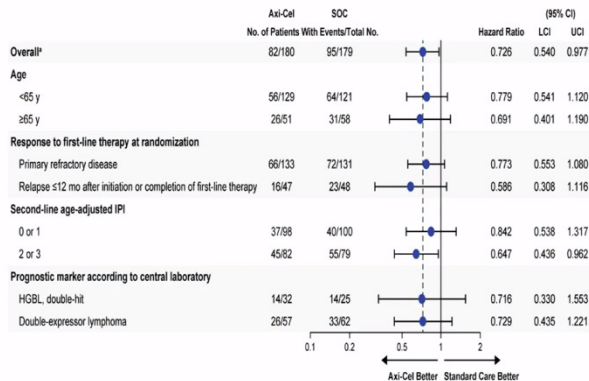
1. Locke FL, et al. ASH 2021 (Abstract 2). 2. Locke FL, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2022; 3. Abramson R, et al. *Blood* 2022. 4. Bishop MR, et al. ASH 2021 (Abstract LBA6). 5. Bishop MR, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2022. Axicabtagene ciloleucel è rimborsato in Italia per il trattamento di pazienti adulti con DLBCL e linfoma primitivo del mediastino a grandi cellule B (PMBCL) refrattari o recidivanti, dopo due o più linee di terapia sistemica

## CAR T-cell therapy vs. SoC in 2L DLBCL - Safety

	ZUMA-7		TRANSFORM		BELINDA	
	SoC	Axi-Cel	SoC	Liso-cel	SoC	Tisa-cel
N	168	170	91	92	160	162
Grade 3–5 AEs	83%	91%	87%	92%	84%	90%
Grade 3–5 haematological toxicity						
Anaemia						
Thrombocytopenia	39%	30%	49%	49%	57%	33%
Neutropenia	57%	15%	64%	49%	47%	32%
Febrile neutropenia	41%	69%	51%	80%	39%	40%
	27%	2%	24%	15%	25%	13%
Grade 3–5 infections	11%	14%	21%	15%	15%	17%
Prolonged cytopenias	19%	29%	3%	43%	N/A	N/A
CRS						
Grade 1–2						
Grade 3–5	---	86%	---	48%	---	53.7%
Onset / Duration (median)	---	0%	---	1%	---	4.9%
		3 / 7 d		5 / 4 d		N/A
Neurological events						
Grade 1–2						
Grade 3–5	19%	39%	---	7%	---	8.4%
Onset / Duration (median)	1%	21%	---	4%	---	1.9%
	23 / 23 d	7 / 9 d	---	11 / 6 d	---	N/A
<b>Toxic deaths (due to AEs)</b>	<b>2 (1%)</b>	<b>7<sup>a</sup> (4%)</b>	<b>2 (2%)</b>	<b>1 (1%)</b>	<b>13 (8.1%)</b>	<b>10 (6.2%)</b>

## ZUMA 7: Axi vs. SOC in first relapse

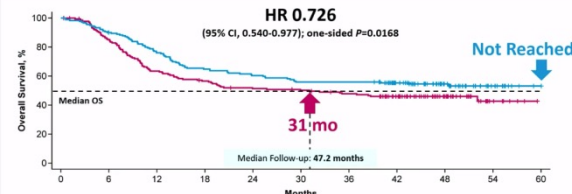
### Survival Benefit Favoring Axi-Cel Was Similar Across Key Prespecified Subgroups



\*Dashed vertical line is shown at 0.726, which is the overall survival hazard ratio for death among all patients in the axi-cel arm versus the SOC arm.

Axi-cel, axicabtagene ciltegravir; HGBL, high-grade B-cell lymphoma; IPI, International Prognostic Index; LCI, lower confidence interval; SOC, standard of care; UCI, upper confidence interval.

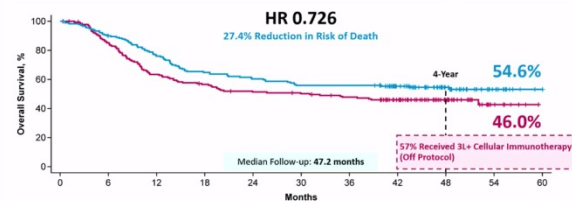
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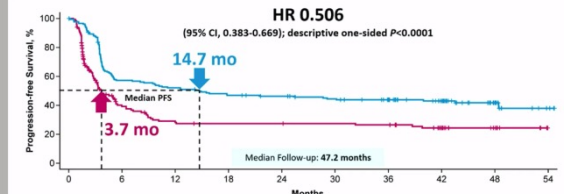
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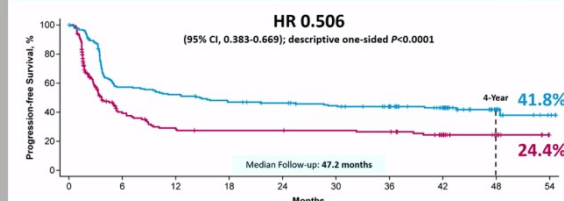
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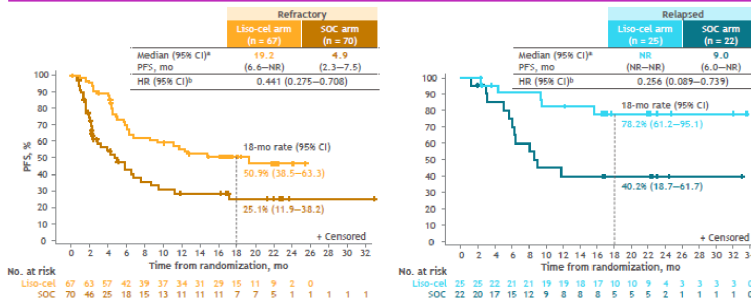
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## TRANSFORM: Liso vs. SOC in first relapse

Patient demographics and baseline disease characteristics by prior response status (ITT set)

	Refractory		Relapsed	
	Liso-cel arm (n = 67)	SOC arm (n = 70)	Liso-cel arm (n = 25)	SOC arm (n = 22)
Male, n (%)	34 (51)	47 (67)	10 (40)	14 (64)
Age, median (range), y	61 (21–74)	56 (26–75)	56 (20–71)	65 (28–72)
LBCL types, <sup>a</sup> n (%)				
DLBCL NOS	39 (58)	34 (49)	14 (56)	16 (73)
HGBCL with rearrangements in MYC and BCL2, BCL6, or both <sup>b</sup>	18 (27)	19 (27)	4 (16)	2 (9)
PMBCL	5 (7)	7 (10)	3 (12)	2 (9)
DLBCL transformed from any indolent lymphoma	4 (6)	7 (10)	3 (12)	1 (5)
THRBCL	1 (1)	3 (4)	0	1 (5)
FL3B	0	0	1 (4)	0
LBCL subtype based on cell of origin, n (%)				
GCB	36 (54)	32 (46)	9 (36)	8 (36)
ABC, non-GCB	12 (18)	23 (33)	9 (36)	6 (27)
ECOG PS, n (%)				
0	32 (48)	40 (57)	16 (64)	17 (77)
1	35 (52)	9 (13)	9 (36)	5 (23)
SAIPI, n (%)				
0 or 1	42 (63)	40 (57)	14 (56)	15 (68)
2 or 3	25 (37)	30 (43)	11 (44)	7 (32)
LDH ≥ 500 U/L	7 (10)	9 (13)	3 (12)	2 (9)
SPD > 50 cm <sup>2</sup>	6 (9)	9 (13)	4 (16)	1 (5)

PFS per IRC by prior response status (ITT set)



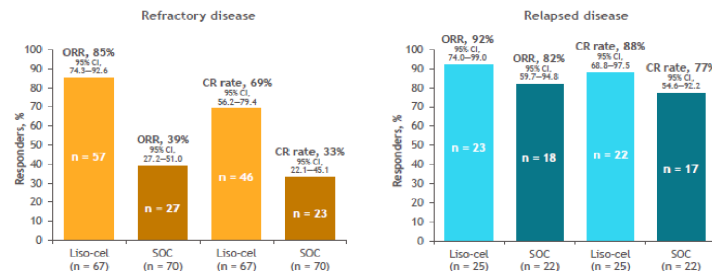
• PFS in the overall study population: HR (95% CI, 12.6–NR) versus 6.2 months (95% CI, 4.3–8.6); HR, 0.400; 95% CI, 0.261–0.615;  $P < 0.0001$

Most common TEAEs by prior response status (safety set)

	Refractory		Relapsed	
	Liso-cel arm (n = 67)	SOC arm (n = 69)	Liso-cel arm (n = 25)	SOC arm (n = 22)
Any-grade TEAE, n (%)	67 (100)	68 (99)	25 (100)	22 (100)
TEAEs ≥ 30% in any liso-cel subgroup arm, n (%)				
Neutropenia	56 (84)	39 (57)	20 (80)	11 (50)
Anemia	48 (72)	46 (67)	14 (56)	16 (73)
Thrombocytopenia	40 (60)	52 (75)	15 (60)	14 (64)
CRS	33 (49)	0	12 (48)	0
Nausea	32 (48)	40 (58)	17 (68)	13 (59)
Fatigue	26 (39)	26 (38)	11 (44)	11 (50)
Headache	24 (36)	15 (22)	16 (64)	6 (27)
Pyrexia	21 (31)	18 (26)	7 (28)	5 (23)
Constipation	20 (30)	19 (28)	10 (40)	5 (23)
Dizziness	14 (21)	8 (12)	8 (32)	5 (23)

- Incidences of grade 3–4 TEAEs were mostly similar between liso-cel–treated patients with refractory or relapsed disease, except anemia (57% vs 40%, respectively)
- Results were consistent with the overall TRANSFORM population

Response rates per IRC by prior response status (ITT set)



• CR rates favored liso-cel over SOC in both subgroups, consistent with the overall study population (liso-cel, 74% [95% CI, 63.7–82.5] vs SOC, 43% [95% CI, 33.2–54.2];  $P < 0.0001$ ),<sup>1</sup> though differences between treatment arms were larger in patients with refractory disease

## CART per DLBCL RR in III linea

### Anti-CD19 CAR-T Cell Therapies in R/R 3<sup>rd</sup> line LBCL (2)

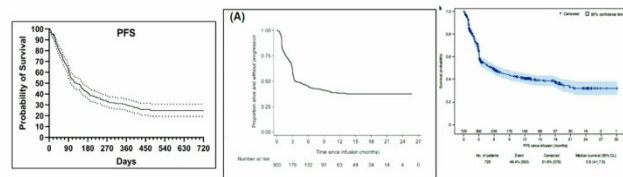
	KTE-C19 Axi-cel	CTL019 Tisagenlecleucel	JCAR017 Liso-cel
Vector	Gammaretroviral	Lentiviral	Lentiviral
Costimulatory domain	CD28	4-1BB	4-1BB
Disease state	DLBCL, TFL, PMBCL	DLBCL, TFL	DLBCL, PMBCL, T-I/NHL, FL3B
ORR	84%	54%	73%
CR Rate	58%	40%	53%
Median follow-up (months)	27	32	12
Median PFS (months)	5.9	2.9	6.8
Median DOR (months)	NR	NR	NR
Median OS (months)	26	11.1	21

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### CAR T-cell in LBCL: Europe Real World Outcomes



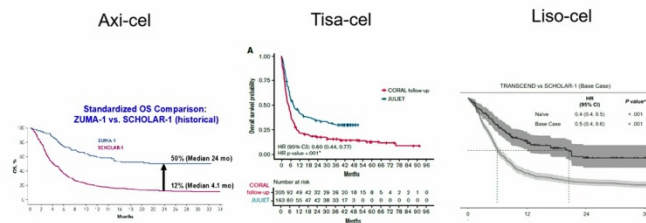
	Germany	UK	France
Nb pts	344	300	729
ORR	65%	48%	74% *
CR rate	37%	40%	52% *
PFS (median)	na	3.0 months	5.6 months

Bethge WA et al, Blood 2022

Kuhni A et al, BJH 2022.

Bachy E et al, Nat Med 2022

### CD19 CART in ≥3<sup>rd</sup> line LBCL: comparison with “SoC”

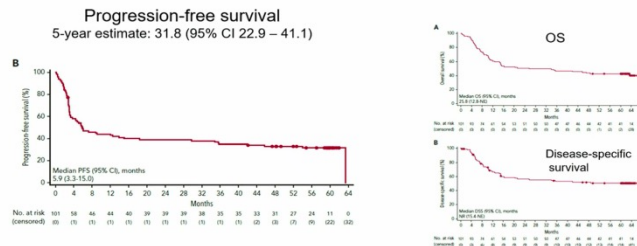


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### ZUMA-1: 5-year follow-up



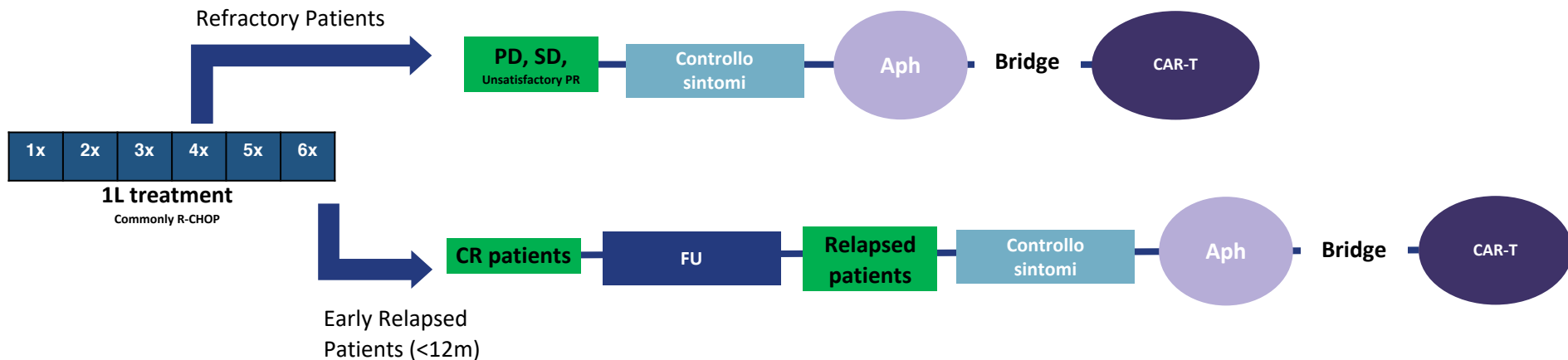
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## BLOCCHI AIFA A PRESCRIVIBILITA' CAR-T

- Sdr. di Richter e PCNSL (solo Axi)
- ECOG >2
- a/cGVHD
- ASCT < 12 m
- Precedente terapia anti-CD19
- Assente espressione di CD19 dopo terapia anti-CD19
- Localizzazione attiva CNS
- Epilessia nei 3 mesi precedenti
- Uso concomitante di anticorpi monoclonali anti-EGFR (solo Liso)
- trombosi nei 6 mesi precedenti
- neutrofili < 1.000/mcl, linfociti < 100/mcl, piastrine < 75.000/mcl, emoglobina < 8 g/dl
- patologia autoimmune con danno d'organo terminale o trattata con terapia sistemica immunosoppressiva o disease modifying nei due anni precedenti
- Cr Cl < 60 ml/min (Cr Cl >30 ml/min solo Liso)
- AST e ALT >2,5 volte il limite superiore normale per età, bilirubina > 1,5 mg/dl o > 3 nei pazienti affetti da sindrome di Gilbert
- frazione di eiezione < 50%, (frazione di eiezione < 45% solo Tisa)
- dispnea > 1, sO<sub>2</sub> < 92% in aria ambiente, versamento pericardico.

# Patient monitoring key moments for 2L CAR-T usage



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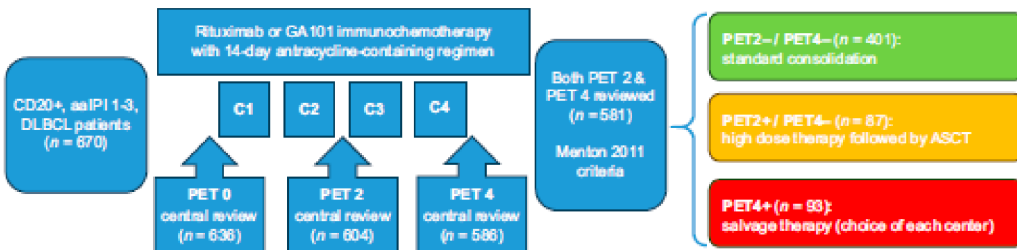
1)QUALE E' IL SIGNIFICATO DECISIONALE DELLA INTERIM PET nel DLBCL?

2)E' OMOGENEO PER LE DIVERSE ENTITA'? (es. PMDLBCL)

3)ΔSUV??

## Validation of the $\Delta\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$ for Interim PET Interpretation in Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma on the Basis of the GAINED Clinical Trial

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### CONCLUSION

Assessment of interim metabolic response by –Menton 2011 criteria is quite reproducible and translatable to routine practice. However, we recommend the use of the  $\Delta\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$  alone for interim PET evaluation in DLBCL as many patients with PET-negative scan results and interim  $\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$  of greater than 5.0 are considered to have PET-positive scan results when Menton 2011 is used. These special cases demonstrate similar or better outcome when using the  $\Delta\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$  alone and better agreement between local and central readers. The only situation where  $\Delta\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$  should be interpreted with caution is when baseline  $\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$  is less than 10.0.

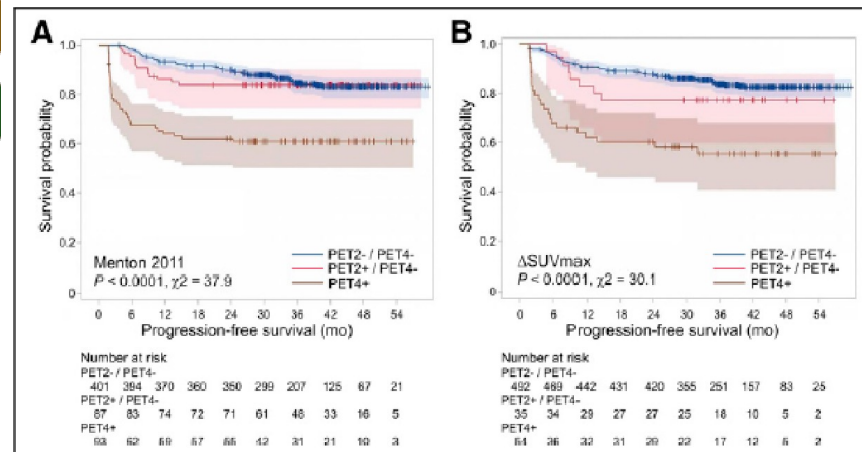
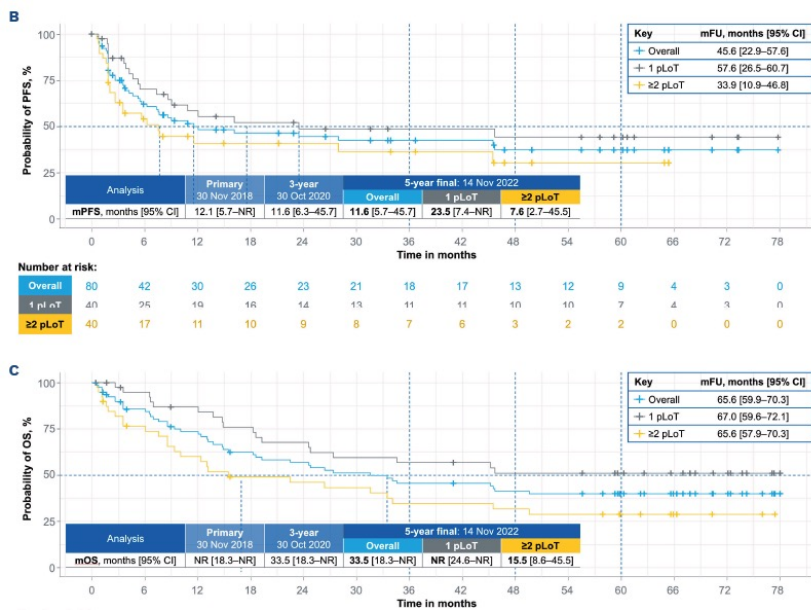


FIGURE 2. Kaplan-Meier estimates of progression-free survival according to metabolic response at PET2 and PET4 using Menton 2011 criteria (per protocol) (A) and  $\Delta\text{SUV}_{\text{max}}$  alone (post hoc analysis) (B).

## Tafasitamab for patients with relapsed or refractory diffuse large B-cell lymphoma: final 5-year efficacy and safety findings in the phase II L-MIND study

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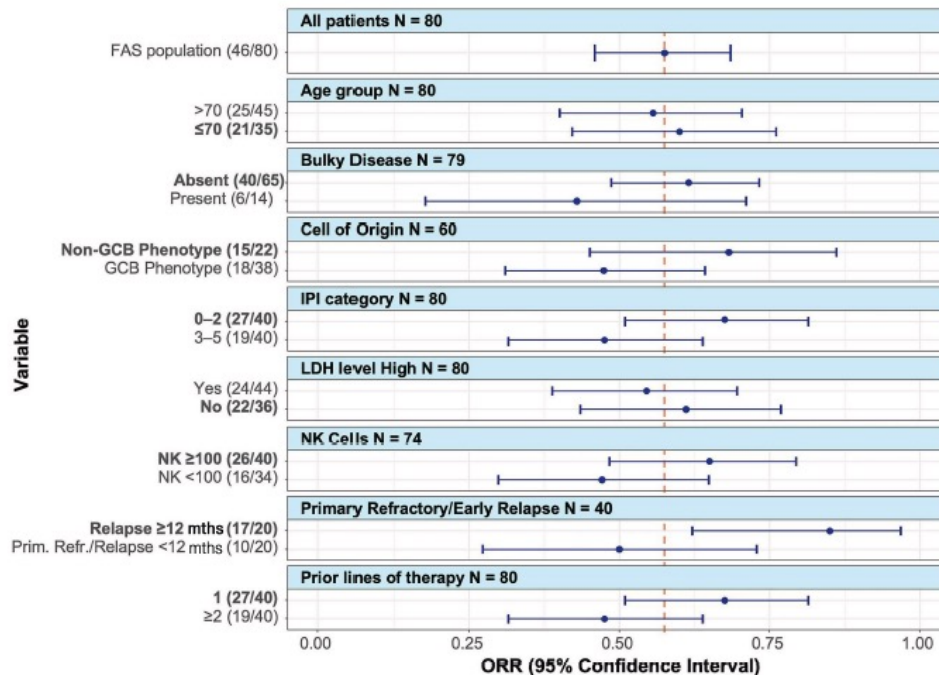
Tx: tafa 12 mg/kg IV/lena 25 mg d1-21 for up to 12 cycles (28d) -> tafasitamab monotherapy (once every 2 weeks) in patients with SD or better, until progressive disease.



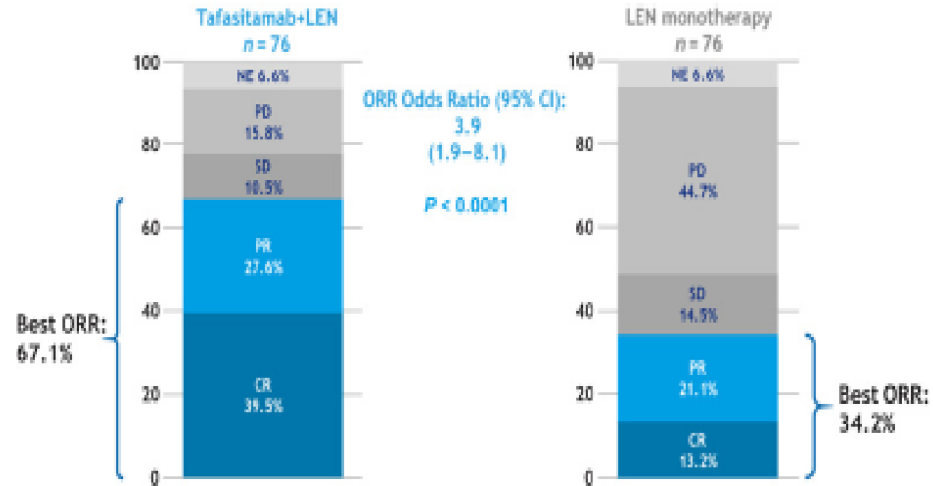
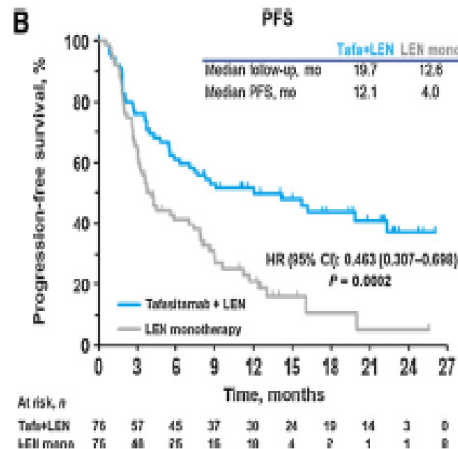
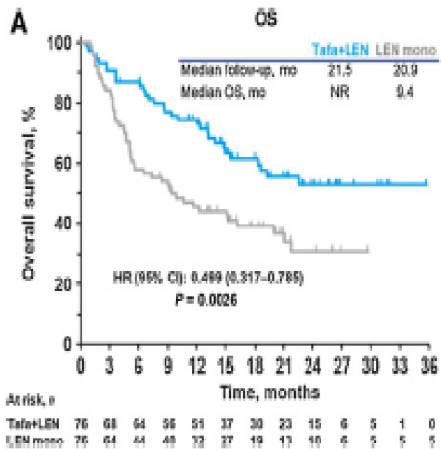
Characteristics	Primary analysis	3-year follow-up	Final 5-year data	5-year data for patients with 1 prior line of therapy, N=40	5-year data for patients with ≥2 prior lines of therapy, N=40
Data cut-off date	Nov 30, 2018	Oct 30, 2020	Nov 14, 2022	Nov 14, 2022	Nov 14, 2022
Best ORR, N (%) [95% CI]	48 (60.0) [48.4-70.9]	46 (57.5) [45.9-68.5]	46 (57.5) [45.9-68.5]	27 (67.5) [50.9-81.4]	19 (47.5) [31.5-63.9]
CR rate, N (%) [95% CI]	34 (42.5) [32.0-54.0]	32 (40.0) [29.2-51.6]	33 (41.3) [30.4-52.8]	21 (52.5) [36.1-68.5]	12 (30.0) [16.6-46.5]
PR rate, N (%) [95% CI]	14 (17.5) [10.0-28.0]	14 (17.5) [9.9-27.6]	13 (16.3) [8.9-26.2]	6 (15.0) [5.7-29.8]	7 (17.5) [7.3-32.8]
Median DoR in months [95% CI]	21.7 [21.7-NR]	43.9 [26.1-NR]	NR [33.8-NR]	NR [9.1-NR]	NR [26.1-NR]
Median PFS in months [95% CI]	12.1 [5.7-NR]	11.6 [6.3-45.7]	11.6 [5.7-45.7]	23.5 [7.4-NR]	7.6 [2.7-45.5]
Median OS in months [95% CI]	NR [18.3-NR]	33.5 [18.3-NR]	33.5 [18.3-NR]	NR [24.6-NR]	15.5 [8.6-45.5]

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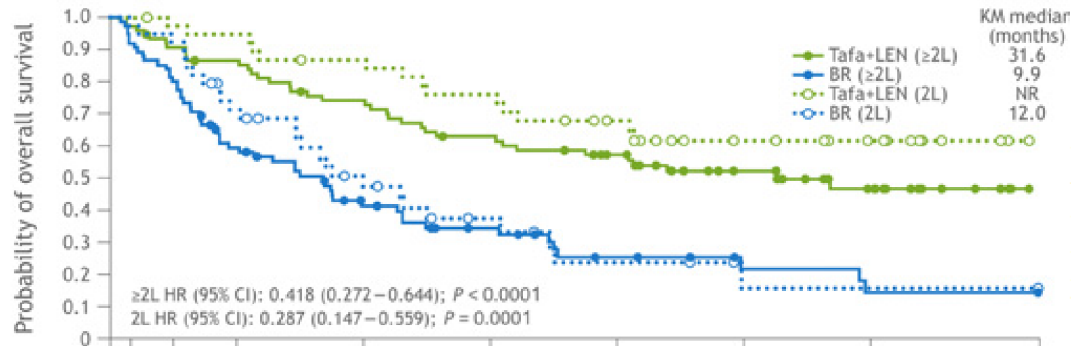
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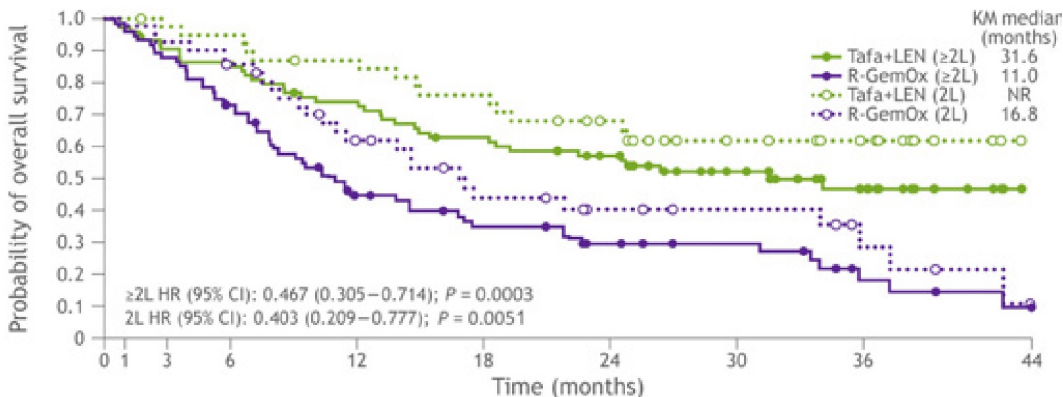
## RE-MIND: Comparing Tafasitamab - Lenalidomide (L-MIND) with a Real-world Lenalidomide Monotherapy Cohort in Relapsed or Refractory Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma. Zinzani PL. Clin Cancer Res 2021;27:6124–34



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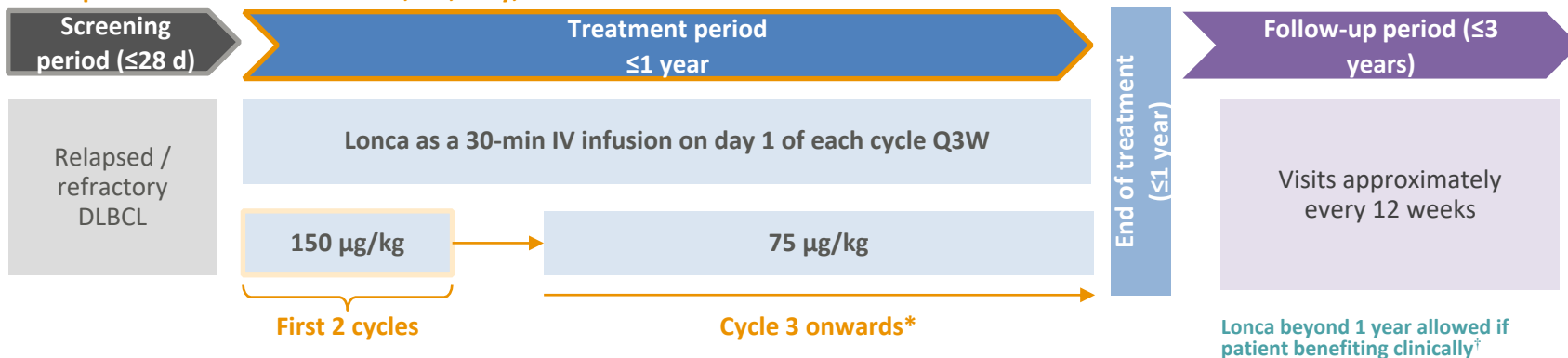


## Loncastuximab tesirine in relapsed/refractory diffuse large B-cell lymphoma: long-term efficacy and safety from the phase II LOTIS-2 study

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**145** patients were enrolled in US, UK, Italy, Switzerland

Enrolment period: August 2018 – Sept 2019



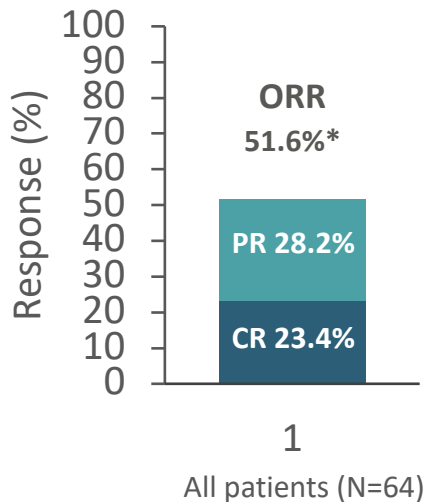
- Patients received oral dexamethasone premedication per protocol
- Disease assessment by central independent review using PET-CT at baseline, W6, W12, then Q9W until EOT  
During the follow-up period, patients who discontinued Lonca for reasons other than PD or initiation of other anti-cancer therapy except SCT had imaging performed every 12 weeks until 1 year from EOT, then every 6 months, until progression up to 3 years from EOT
- Data cut-offs:
  - Primary analysis: April 6, 2020<sup>3</sup>, median follow-up of 7.3 months<sup>4</sup>
  - Follow-up analysis: March 1, 2021, median follow-up of 7.8 months<sup>5</sup>
  - Final analysis: September 15, 2022, median follow-up of 7.8 months<sup>4</sup>

\* Patients continued on treatment for up to one year or until disease relapse or progression, unacceptable toxicity, death, major protocol deviation, pregnancy, or patient, investigator, or sponsor decision. † If agreed with the sponsor. d, days; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; EOT, end of treatment; IV, intravenous; Lonca, loncastuximab tesirine; PD, progressive disease; PET-CT, positron emission tomography-computed tomography; Q3W, every 3 weeks; Q9W, every 9 weeks; SCT, stem cell transplantation; W, week.

1. ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03589469 2. LOTIS-2 study protocol 2019 3. Caimi et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2021 4. Caimi et al. *Haematologica* 2023 5. Zinzani et al. *ICML* 2021.

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	All-treated N=145	Best response of CR N=36	Patients with CR who were event-free ≥1 year N=16	Patients with CR who were event-free ≥2 years N=11
Sex, N (%)				
Female	60 (41.4)	22 (61.1)	13 (81.3)	9 (81.8)
Age in years, N (%)				
Median (range)	66.0 (23-94)	67.5 (45-94)	71.0 (53-84)	70.0 (53-82)
<65	65 (44.8)	13 (36.1)	3 (18.8)	3 (27.3)
≥65 to <75	59 (40.7)	15 (41.7)	7 (43.8)	5 (45.5)
≥75	21 (14.5)	8 (22.2)	6 (37.5)	3 (27.3)
Race, N (%)				
White	130 (89.7)	34 (94.4)	15 (93.8)	11 (100)
Black or African American	5 (3.4)	1 (2.8)	0	0
Asian	3 (2.1)	0	0	0
Other	7 (4.8)	1 (2.8)	1 (6.3)	0
ECOG score, N (%)				
0	58 (40.0)	19 (52.8)	9 (56.3)	7 (63.6)
1	78 (53.8)	14 (38.9)	6 (37.5)	3 (27.3)
2	9 (6.2)	3 (8.3)	1 (6.3)	1 (9.1)
Histology,* N (%)				
DLBCL, NOS	128 (88.3)	31 (86.1)	11 (68.8)	8 (72.7)
HGBCL <sup>b</sup>	10 (6.9)	5 (13.9)	5 (31.3)	3 (27.3)
Primary mediastinal DLBCL	7 (4.8)	0	0	0
Transformed DLBCL, N (%)	30 (20.7)	7 (19.4)	4 (25.0)	2 (18.2)
Double/triple hit, N (%)				
Double hit	12 (8.3)	5 (13.9)	5 (31.3)	3 (27.3)
Triple hit	3 (2.1)	0	0	0
Stage, N (%)				
I-II	33 (22.8)	9 (25.0)	3 (18.8)	2 (18.2)
III-IV	112 (77.2)	27 (75.0)	13 (81.3)	9 (81.8)
Prior systemic therapies, N (%)				
Median (range)	3.0 (2-7)	3.0 (2-7)	2.0 (2-7)	2.0 (2-7)
2 prior lines	63 (43.4)	15 (41.7)	10 (62.5)	8 (72.7)
3 prior lines	34 (23.4)	5 (13.9)	2 (12.5)	1 (9.1)
>3 prior lines	48 (33.1)	16 (44.4)	4 (25.0)	2 (18.2)
Refractory, N (%)				
Primary refractory	29 (20.0)	5 (13.9)	2 (12.5)	0
Refractory to last therapy	89 (61.4)	11 (30.6)	5 (31.3)	4 (36.4)
Prior SCT, N (%)	24 (16.6)	8 (22.2)	1 (6.3)	1 (9.1)
Prior CAR T therapy, N (%)	14 (9.7)	3 (8.3)	2 (12.5)	0

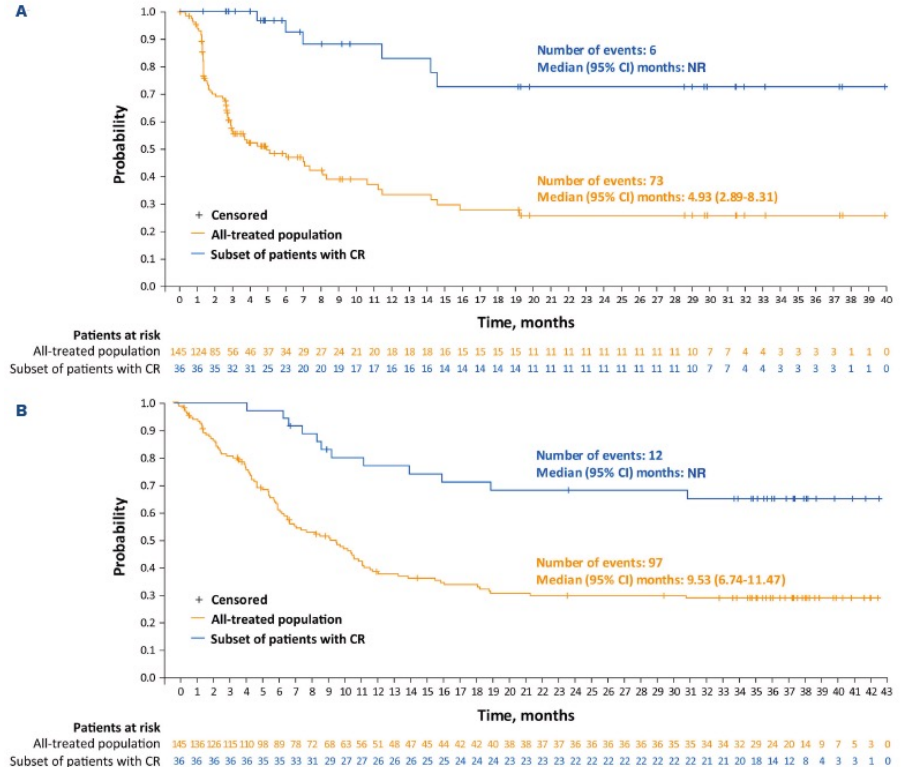
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	All-treated population N=145 (95% CI)	Best response of CR N=36 (95% CI)
Median DOR in months	13.4 (6.9-NR)	NR
Probability % of maintaining response at 12 months	54.7 (37.9-68.8)	82.8 (59.9-93.3)
Probability % of maintaining response at 24 months	44.6 (27.9-60.0)	72.4 (48.1-86.8)
Median DOR in months	4.9 (2.9-8.3)	NR
Probability % of maintaining PFS at 12 months	33.5 (23.3-44.0)	82.9 (60.0-93.3)
Probability % of maintaining PFS at 24 months	25.9 (16.2-36.7)	72.5 (48.2-86.8)
Median DOR in months	9.5 (6.7-11.5)	NR
Probability % of maintaining OS at 12 months	39.0 (30.7-47.1)	77.1 (59.4-87.9)
Probability % of maintaining OS at 24 months	29.5 (22.0-37.4)	68.2 (50.0-81.0)
Median DOR in months	-	NR
Probability % of maintaining RFS at 12 months	-	83.2 (60.5-93.5)
Probability % of maintaining RFS at 24 months	-	72.8 (48.5-87.0)

CI: confidence interval; CR: complete response; DOR: duration of response; NR: not reached; OS: overall survival; PFS: progression-free survival; RFS: relapse-free survival.

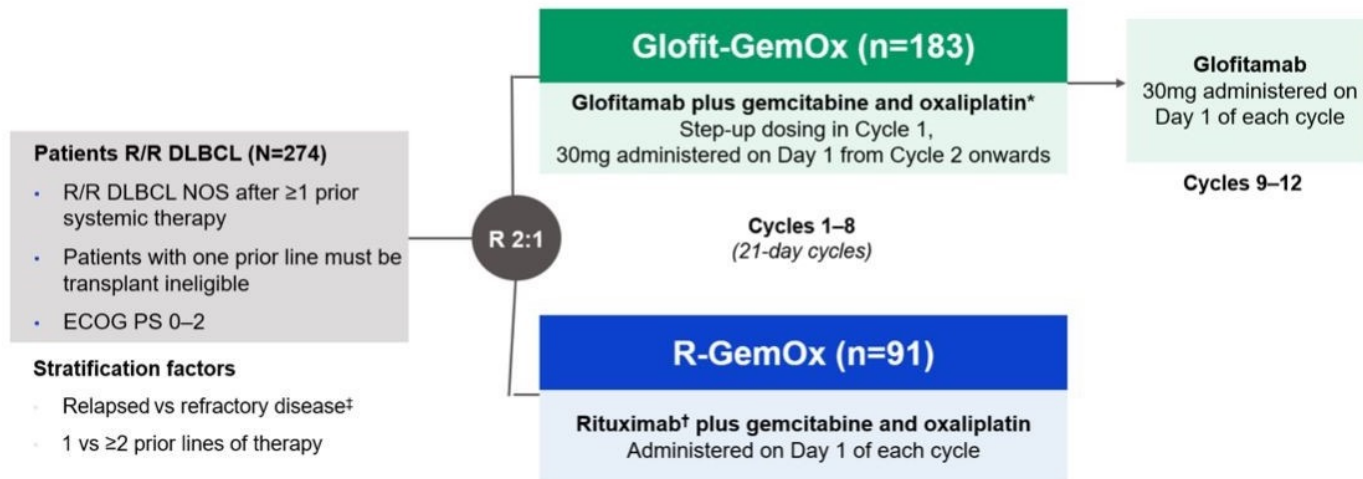
In conclusion, among heavily pretreated patients with R/R DLBCL in the pivotal LOTIS-2 study, Lonca continued to demonstrate durable responses with a manageable safety and tolerability profile in this long-term follow-up analysis. Further, a subset of 11 patients with CR remained event-free for  $\geq 2$  years with no evidence of disease, no new anticancer treatment, and a median treatment-free duration of 27.7 months post-Lonca treatment.



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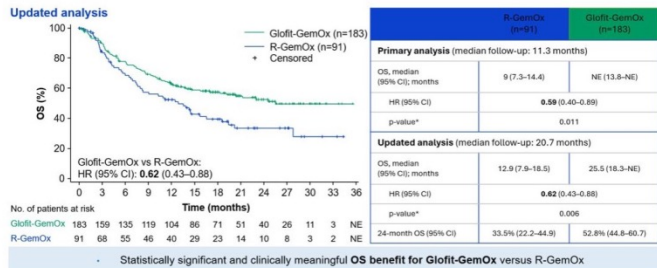
Random 2:1; 8 Glofit-GemOx + 4 Glofit vs. 8 R-GemOx (8 cycles). 274 pts DLBCL (Glofit-GemOx: 183; R-GemOx: 91); 62.8% > 1L and 102 > 2L, 55.8% primary refractory disease.

[STARGLO \(GO41944; NCT04408638\)](#): study design



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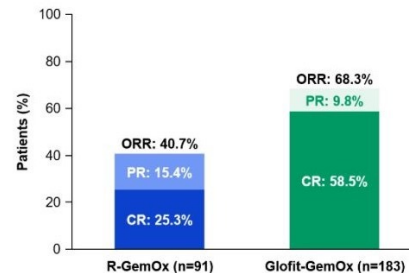
### STARGLO: Overall Survival



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### STARGLO: response rates

#### Response rates at the updated analysis



33.2% difference in CR rate between treatment arms (95% CI: 19.7-44.5)

CR rate significantly better with Glofit-GemOx vs R-GemOx (descriptive p-value <0.0001\*)

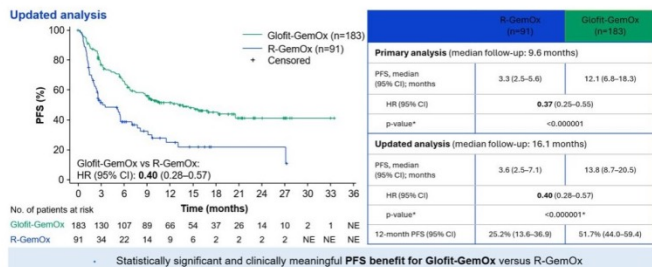
CR rate was statistically significant at primary analysis, with increased difference between treatment arms at the updated analysis

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AE rates were higher with Glofit-GemOx versus R-GemOx, including Grade (Gr) 3-4 AEs (69.4 vs 36.4%). CRS: Gr 1: 31.4%, Gr 2: 10.5%, and Gr 3: 2.3%. ICANS 2.3%.

Glofit-GemOx demonstrated statistically significant and clinically meaningful benefit in OS, PFS, and CR rate over R-GemOx in ASCT-ineligible pts with R/R DLBCL.

### STARGLO: Progression Free Survival

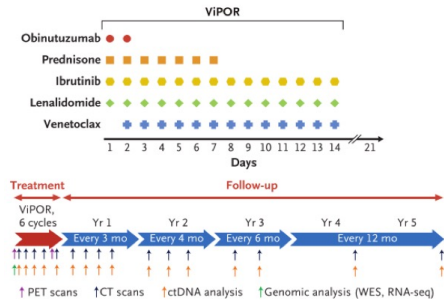


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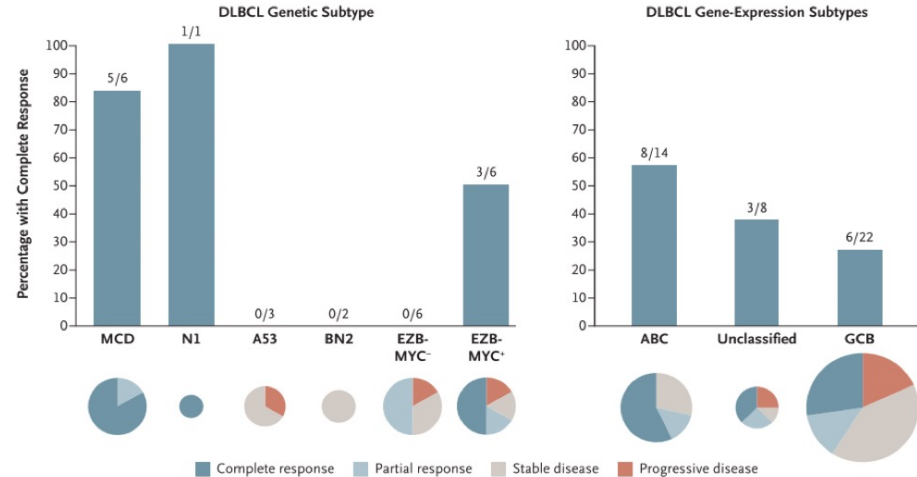
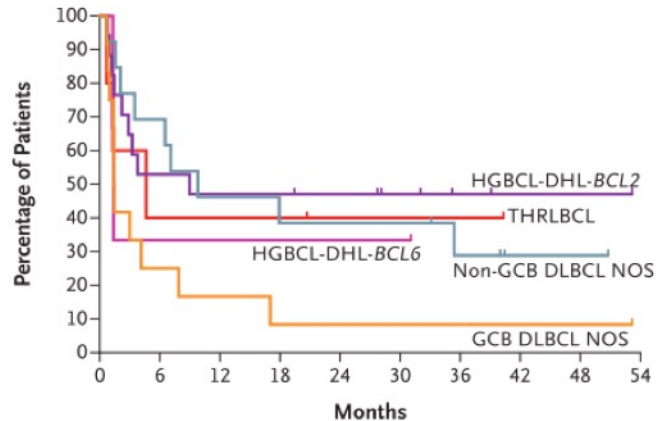


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Progression-free Survival According to Subtype

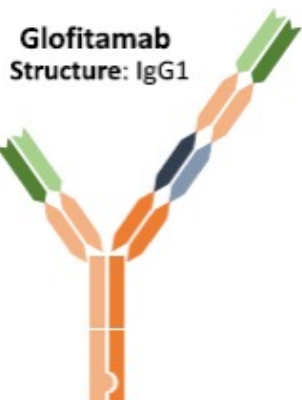





### CONCLUSIONS

Treatment with ViPOR was associated with durable remissions in patients with specific molecular DLBCL subtypes and was associated with mainly reversible adverse events. (Funded by the Intramural Research Program of the National Cancer Institute and the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences of the National Institutes of Health and others; ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT03223610.)






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-  CD3 binding domain
-  2 x CD20 binding domains
-  Knob-into-hole technology: Complementary FC mutations



-  CD3 binding domain
-  CD20 binding domain
-  Fc silencing by single matched point mutations in Fc region



-  CD3 binding domain
-  CD20 binding domain
-  Dipeptide substitution in FC region with unique common light chain: purified by selective protein A chromatography

## GLOFITAMAB

Single-arm pivotal Phase II expansion in patients with R/R DLBCL and  $\geq 2$  prior therapies<sup>1</sup>

### Key inclusion criteria

- DLBCL NOS, HGBCL, transformed FL or PMBCL
- ECOG PS 0–1
- $\geq 2$  prior therapies, including:
  - anti-CD20 antibody
  - anthracycline

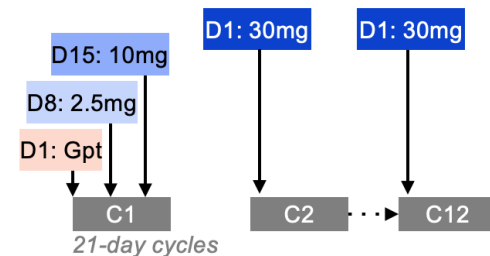
### Glofitamab IV administration

#### Fixed-duration treatment

- Max. 12 cycles

#### CRS mitigation:

- Obinutuzumab pretreatment (1 x 1000mg)
- C1 step-up dosing
- Monitoring after first dose (2.5mg)



### Endpoints

**Primary: CR (best response) rate by IRC\***

**Key secondary: ORR rate,<sup>†</sup> DoR, DoCR,<sup>†</sup> PFS, and OS**

\*By PET-CT (Lugano criteria).<sup>1</sup> <sup>†</sup>By IRC and investigator. BCL, B-cell lymphoma; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; CT, computed tomography; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; ECOG, European Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; FL, follicular lymphoma; Gpt, obinutuzumab pretreatment; HGBCL, high-grade BCL; IRC, Independent Review Committee; NOS, not otherwise specified; PET, positron emission tomography; PMBCL, primary mediastinal BCL.

## Response rates

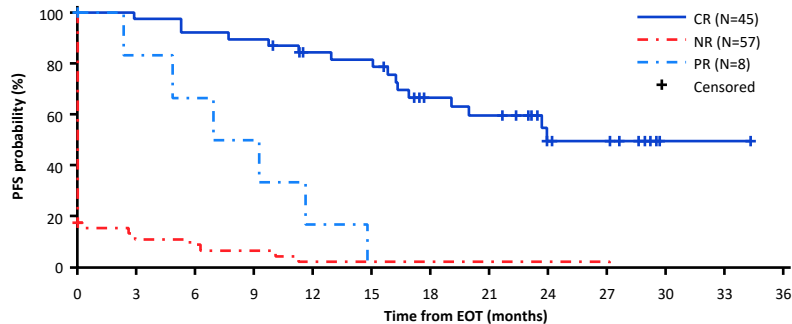
	All patients (N=155)*	R/R DLBCL/ trFL (N=132) <sup>2†‡</sup>	Prior CAR-T (N=52) <sup>†</sup>
<b>ORR, n (%) [95% CI]</b>	80 (52) [43.5–59.7]	74 (56) [47.2–64.7]	26 (50) [35.8–64.2]
<b>CR rate, n (%) [95% CI]</b>	62 (40) [32.2–48.2]	58 (44) [35.3–52.8]	19 (37) [23.6–51.0]
<b>Median DOCR, months (95% CI)</b>	26.9 (19.8–NR)	28.3 (19.8–NR)	22.0 (6.7–NR)
<b>24-month DOCR, % (95% CI)</b>	55.0 (41.1–68.8)	56.2 (41.9–70.4)	33.1 (7.2–59.0)
<b>Median CR follow-up, months (range)</b>	29.6 (0–39)	29.6 (0–39)	23.0 (0–33)
<b>Ongoing CRs, n/N (%)</b>	34/62 (55)	32/58 (55)	10/19 (53)

	N=155
Median PFS follow-up, mo (range)	12.6 (0–22)
<b>Median PFS, months (95% CI)<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>4.9 (3.4–8.1)</b>
6-month event-free rate, % (95% CI)	45.5 (37.2–53.8)
12-month event-free rate, % (95% CI)	37.1 (28.5–45.8)
<b>Median OS, months (95% CI)<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>11.5 (7.9–15.7)</b>
12-month OS rate, % (95% CI)	49.8 (41.1–58.5)

The IRC-assessed ORR/CR rate was 52/40%. After a median follow-up of 37.7 months in patients with a CR, mDOR CR was 29.8 months. In patients with a CR at EOT, the PFS and OS rates 2 years after EOT were 57% and 77%, respectively.

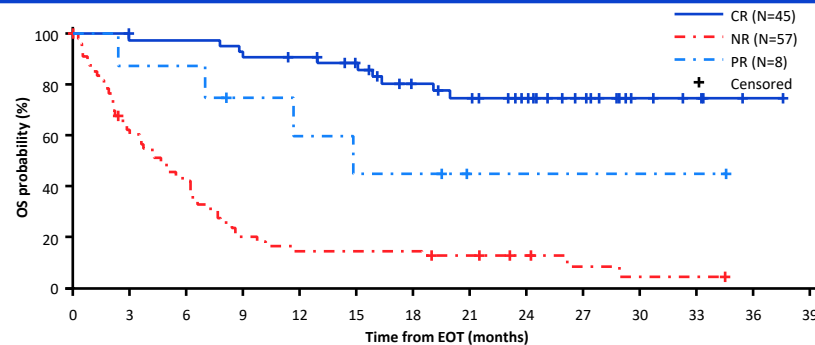
## Landmark analysis by response at Cycle EOT: Extended follow-up

### PFS



CR (N=45)	45	38	36	35	29	28	19	17	9	8	1	1	NE
NR (N=57)	57	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	NE	NE	NE
PR (N=8)	8	5	4	3	1	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE

### OS



CR (N=45)	45	43	43	40	39	35	28	25	20	14	7	5	1	NE
NR (N=57)	57	33	23	11	8	8	8	6	4	2	1	1	NE	NE
PR (N=8)	8	7	7	5	4	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	NE	NE

Landmark PFS from EOT in patients with CR at EOT\*

N=45

Median PFS, months (95% CI)

24.0 (19.1–NE)

18-month PFS rate, % (95% CI)

66.6 (51.0–82.2)

Landmark OS from EOT in patients with CR at EOT\*

N=45

Median OS, months (95% CI)

NE (NE)

18-month OS rate, % (95% CI)

80.7 (68.6–92.8)

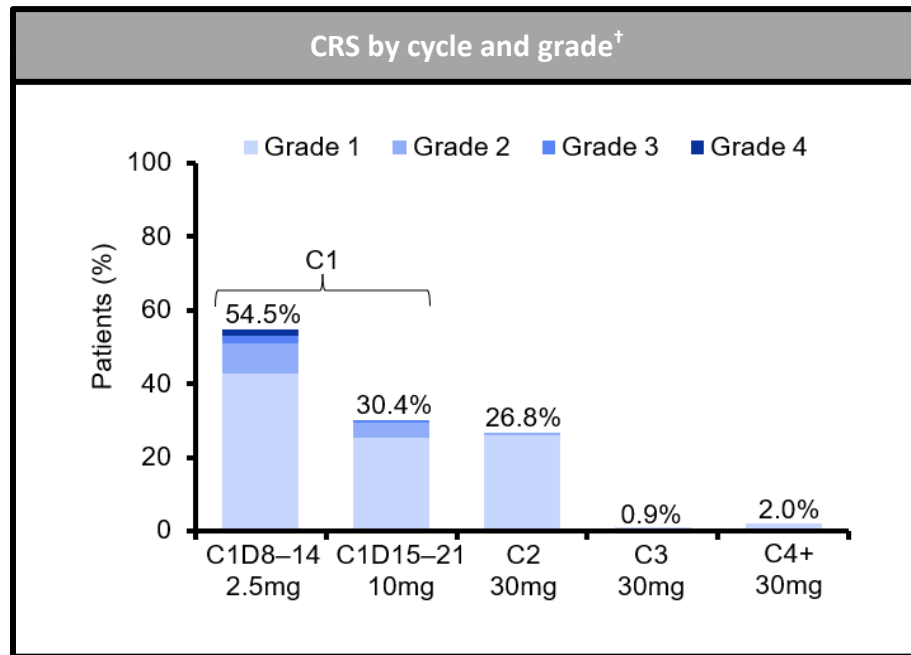
## Cytokine release syndrome

n (%)	N=154
CRS (any grade)*	97 (63.0)
Grade 1 (fever)	73 (47.4)
Grade 2	18 (11.7)
Grade 3	4 (2.6)
Grade 4	2 (1.3)

**Median time to CRS onset from C1D8 dose, hours (range)** **13.6 (6.2–51.8)**

Corticosteroids for CRS management 27/97 (27.8)

**Tocilizumab for CRS management** **31/97 (32.0)**



**CRS was mostly low grade, time of onset was predictable, and most events occurred during C1**

\*CRS reported by ASTCT grade derived based on reported data and INV graded CRS according to Lee 2014 criteria.<sup>3,4</sup> ASTCT, American Society for Transplantation and Cellular Therapy criteria; C, cycle; CAR-T, chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy; CCOD, clinical cut-off date; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; D, day; INV, investigator; RP2D, recommended Phase II dose.

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Characteristic	LBCL (N = 157)	Characteristic	LBCL (N = 157)
Age, years, median (range)	64.0 (20–83)	Age, years, median (range)	64.0 (20–83)
Age group, years, No. (%)		Age group, years, No. (%)	
<65	80 (51.0)	<65	80 (51.0)
65 to <75	48 (30.6)	65 to <75	48 (30.6)
≥75	29 (18.5)	≥75	29 (18.5)
Male sex, No. (%)	94 (59.9)	Male sex, No. (%)	94 (59.9)
Race, No. (%)		Race, No. (%)	
White	78 (49.7)	White	78 (49.7)
Asian	30 (19.1)	Asian	30 (19.1)
Black or African American	0	Black or African American	0
Other	6 (3.8)	Other	6 (3.8)
Not reported	43 (27.4)	Not reported	43 (27.4)
ECOG performance status, <sup>a</sup> No. (%)		ECOG performance status, <sup>a</sup> No. (%)	
0	74 (47.1)	0	74 (47.1)
1	78 (49.7)	1	78 (49.7)
2	5 (3.2)	2	5 (3.2)

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Malignancy type, No. (%)		Ann Arbor stage, No. (%)	
DLBCL <sup>b</sup>	139 (88.5)	I/II	39 (24.8)
De novo	97 (61.8)	III	22 (14.0)
Transformed <sup>c</sup>	40 (25.5)	IV	96 (61.1)
Unknown	2 (1.3)	IPI, No. (%)	
High-grade B-cell lymphoma <sup>b</sup>	9 (5.7)	0-2	55 (35.0)
Primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma	4 (2.5)	≥3	83 (52.9)
Follicular lymphoma grade 3B	5 (3.2)	Unknown	1 (0.6)
Central laboratory FISH analysis: double-hit/triple-hit lymphoma ( <i>MYC</i> and <i>BCL2</i> and/or <i>BCL6</i> rearrangement), No. (%)	13 (8.3)	Not applicable	18 (11.5)
DLBCL cell of origin per local laboratory, No. (%)		Time from initial diagnosis to first dose of epcoritamab, years, median (range) <sup>d</sup>	1.6 (0.0-28.4)
Germinal center B cell	65 (41.4)	Time from end of last therapy to first dose of epcoritamab, months, median (range)	2.4 (0-153)
Activated B cell/non-germinal center B cell	56 (35.7)	Prior lines of antilymphoma therapy, median (range)	3.0 (2-11)
Unknown	18 (11.5)	Prior lines of antilymphoma therapy, No. (%)	
		2	47 (29.9)
		3	48 (30.6)
		≥4	62 (39.5)
		Primary refractory disease, <sup>e</sup> No. (%)	95 (60.5)



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Characteristic	LBCL (N = 157)
Refractory to last systemic therapy, <sup>a</sup> No. (%)	130 (82.8)
Refractory to ≥2 consecutive lines of therapy, <sup>a</sup> No. (%)	118 (75.2)
Prior autologous stem cell transplant, No. (%)	31 (19.7)
Relapsed within 12 months after prior autologous stem cell transplant, No. (%)	18 (11.5)
Prior CAR T-cell therapy, No. (%)	61 (38.9)
Progressed within 6 months of CAR T-cell therapy, No. (%)	46 (29.3)

### Dose escalation\*

Flat-dose epcoritamab administered in 28-day cycles until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

#### Objectives

##### Primary

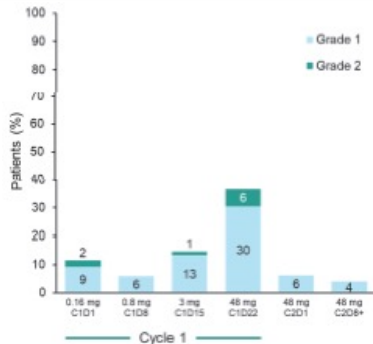
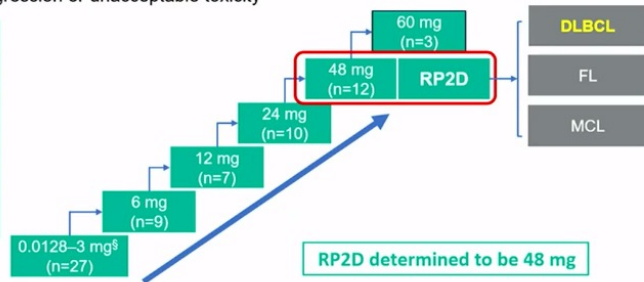
- Maximum tolerated dose (MTD)
- Recommended Phase II dose (RP2D)

##### Secondary

- Safety/tolerability
- Anti-tumor activity

##### Inclusion criteria<sup>†</sup>

- Adults with R/R CD20+ B-NHL
- Prior treatment with anti-CD20 mAbs
- ECOG PS 0-2
- Measurable disease by CT, MRI, or PET/CT scan<sup>†</sup>
- Adequate renal, liver, and hematologic function



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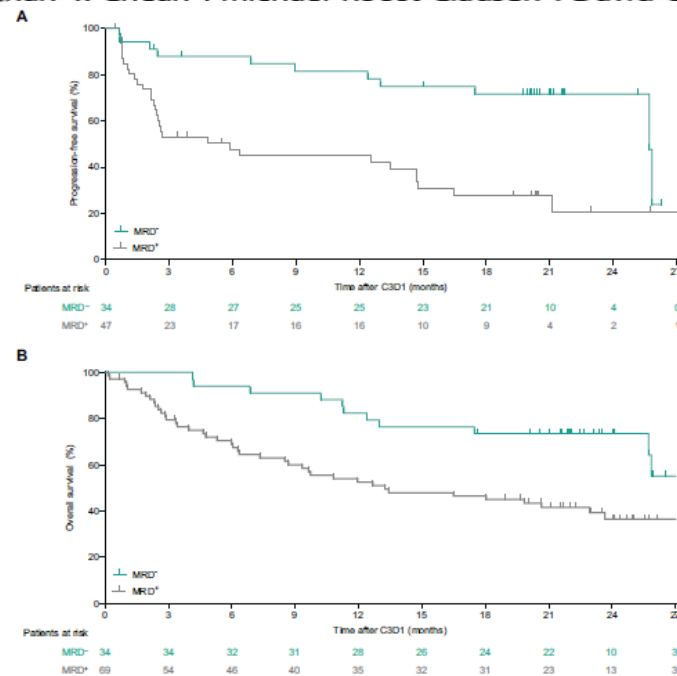
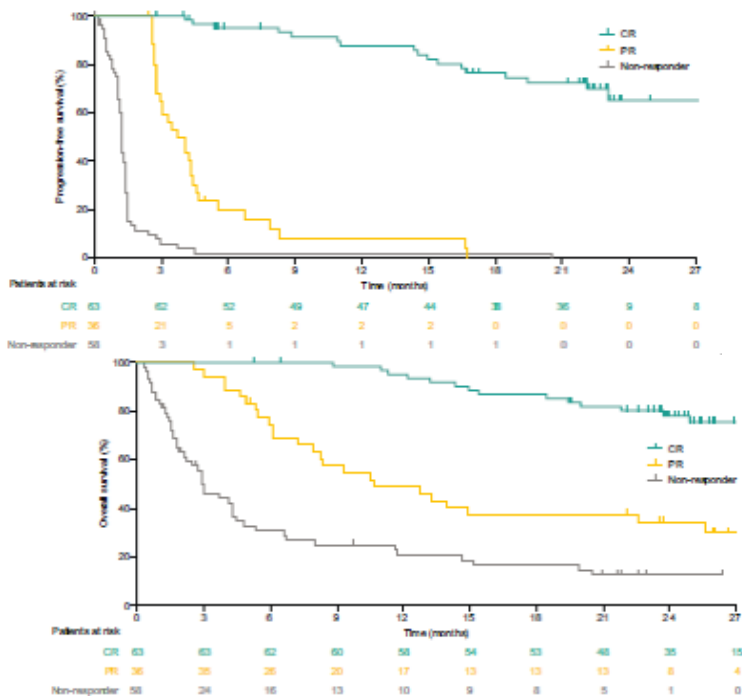
Overall response, No. (%) [95% CI] <sup>a</sup>	99 (63.1) [55.0–70.6]	Time to response, months, median (range)	1.4 (1.0–8.4)	OS, <sup>c</sup> months, median (range) [95% CI]	18.5 (0.3 to 32.7+) [11.7–27.7]
CR	63 (40.1) [32.4–48.2]	Time to CR, months, median (range)	2.6 (1.2–23.2)	OS in the overall population, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)	
PR	36 (22.9) [16.6–30.3]	PFS, <sup>c</sup> months, median (range) [95% CI]	4.4 (0.0+ to 29.0+) [3.0–8.8]	Estimated OS rate at 12 mo	58.0 (49.7–65.4)
SD, No. (%)	5 (3.2)	PFS in the overall population, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)		Estimated OS rate at 24 mo	44.6 (36.4–52.4)
PD, No. (%)	37 (23.6)	Estimated PFS rate at 12 mo	39.9 (31.8–47.8)	OS in complete responders, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)	
Nonevaluable, <sup>b</sup> No. (%)	16 (10.2)	Estimated PFS rate at 24 mo	27.8 (20.0–36.2)	Estimated OS rate at 12 mo	95.1 (85.5–98.4)
DOR, <sup>c</sup> months, median (range) [95% CI]	17.3 (0.0+ to 27.8+) [9.7–26.5]	PFS in complete responders, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)		Estimated OS rate at 24 mo	78.2 (65.4–86.7)
DOR in complete responders, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)		Estimated PFS rate at 12 mo	87.6 (75.6–93.9)	OS in MRD-negative patients, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)	
Estimated pts remaining in response at 12 mo	85.7 (73.4–92.6)	Estimated PFS rate at 24 mo	65.1 (48.4–77.6)	Estimated OS rate at 12 mo	94.4 (83.8–98.2)
Estimated pts remaining in response at 24 mo	64.4 (47.1–77.2)	PFS in MRD-negative patients, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)		Estimated OS rate at 24 mo	77.7 (64.1–86.7)
Duration of CR, <sup>c</sup> % (95% CI)		Estimated PFS rate at 12 mo	84.3 (71.0–91.8)		
Estimated pts with CR remaining in CR at 12 mo	79.2 (65.5–87.9)	Estimated PFS rate at 24 mo	61.6 (43.6–75.3)		
Estimated pts with CR remaining in CR at 24 mo	64.2 (47.5–76.8)				

The ORR/CR rate per INR were 59% and 41%; mFU was 37.1 mo, mDOR was 20.8 mo, mDOCR was 36.1 mo. mPFS was 4.2 mo; among complete responders, it was 37.3 mo. mOS was 18.5 mo; among complete responders, it was NR. At 36 mo PFS of complete responders 63% of complete responders remained alive (estimated).

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## Dual target dilemma: navigating epcoritamab vs. glofitamab in relapsed refractory diffuse large B-cell lymphoma

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	Epcoritamab	Glofitamab
Mechanism of action	CD20/CD3 BsAb	CD20/CD3 BsAb
FDA approval	After failure of two or more lines of systemic therapy	After failure of two or more lines of systemic therapy
REMS requirement	No	No
Boxed warning	CRS and ICANS	CRS
Recommended admission duration during dose step-up	24-hour hospitalization after cycle 1 on day 15 (first 48 mg dose)	24-hour hospitalization during and after step-up dose 1 (cycle 1, day 8)
Cycle length and dosing schedule	Cycle length: 28 days Cycle 1: SQ dose step-up: Day 1: 0.16 mg Day 8: 0.8 mg Days 15, 22: 48 mg Cycles 2-3: 48 mg SQ days 1, 8, 15, 22 Cycles 4-9: 48 mg SQ days 1, 15 Cycles 10+: 48 mg SQ day 1	Cycle length: 21 days Cycle 1: IV dose step-up Day 1: obinutuzumab 1000 mg Day 8: 2.5 mg over 4 hours Day 15: 10 mg over 4 hours Cycle 2: 30 mg over 4 hours Cycles 3-12: 30 mg over 2 hours
Treatment duration	Until disease progression or toxicity	Until disease progression, toxicity, or up to 12 cycles
Required pre-medications	Antipyretic and antihistamine are recommended during cycle 1. Dexamethasone 15 mg oral/IV or prednisone 100 mg is recommended during cycle 1 and for 3 days following dose for subsequent cycles if prior grade 2/3 CRS until CRS grade <2	Antipyretic and antihistamine are recommended for all cycles. Dexamethasone 20 mg IV is recommended for cycles 1-3 and subsequently if prior CRS.
Renal dose adjustment	No	No
Hepatic dose adjustment	No	No
Infection prophylaxis	PJP and consider herpes zoster	Consider PJP, herpes zoster, and CMV

Table 1. Comparison of available anti-CD20 bispecific antibodies for DLBCL.

	Epcoritamab (n = 157)	Glofitamab (n = 154)
<b>Baseline characteristics</b>		
Median age (range)	64 years (20-83)	66 years (21-90)
Median prior lines (range)	3 (2-11)	3 (2-7)
<b>Non-Hodgkin lymphoma subtype, %</b>		
DLBCL, not otherwise specified	74	71
Transformed	28.8	18
High-grade BCL	5.7	7
Primary mediastinal BCL	2.5	4
ECOG PS $\geq 2$ , %	3.2	0
<b>Ann Arbor stage, %</b>		
I/II	24.8	22
III	13.4	20
IV	61.8	55
Missing data	0	2
<b>International Prognostic Index, %</b>		
0-2	35	Not reported
$\geq 3$	52.2	
Double/Triple hit per FISH analysis, %	13.1	Not reported
Prior ASCT, %	19.7	18
Prior CAR T-cell therapy, %	39	33
Primary refractory disease, %	61	58
<b>Adverse events</b>		
CRS, all (grade $\geq 3$ )	50% (2.5%)	63% (4%)
Median onset of CRS, duration	20 hours, 48 hours	13 hours, 30 hours
ICANS, all (grade $\geq 3$ )	6% (0.6%)	8% (3%)
Infections, all (grades 3-4)	45% (15%)	38% (15%)
Neutropenia, all (grade $\geq 3$ )	21.7% (14.6%)	38% (27%)
Thrombocytopenia, all (grade $\geq 3$ )	13.4% (5.7%)	25% (8%)
Tumor lysis syndrome, all (grade $\geq 3$ )	1.3% (1.3%)	Not reported (1.9%)
Grade 5 adverse event	5.7%	5%
<b>Efficacy</b>		
ORR	63%	52%
CR	39%	39%
MRD negativity rate	45.8%	Not reported
Median PFS	4.4 months (95% CI, 3-7.9)	4.9 months (95% CI, 3.4-8.1)
Median OS	NR (95% CI, 11.3-NR)	11.5 months (95% CI, 7.9-15.7)
Median time to best response (range)	2.7 months (1.2-11.1)	1.4 months (95% CI, 1.4-1.44)
Median duration of response (range)	12 months (0-15.5)	18.4 months (95% CI, 13.7-NR)

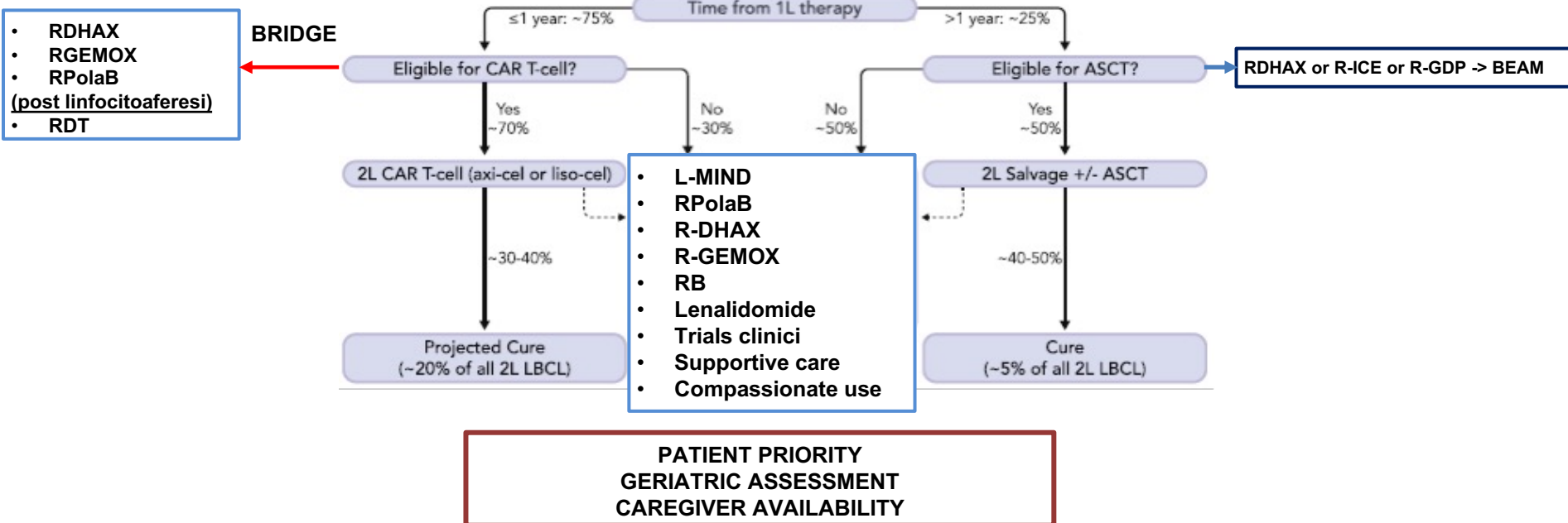
## Long-Term Efficacy and Safety of Odronextamab in Relapsed/Refractory Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma (DLBCL): Pooled Analysis from the ELM-1 and ELM-2 Studies

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- **Odronextamab IV/21. Rump-up con profilassi steroidea in corso del C1 seguito da 160 mg on G1, 8, e 15 del C2. Mantenimento: 320 mg/2 sett fino a progressione/tossicità. Pazienti in CR oltre 9 m passano a mantenimento ogni 4 sett.**
- **187 pts; età media 65 aa.. (24–88); in media 3 linee precedenti, 32,1% post-CART. mFU: 23 m.**
- **ORR/CR per ICR: 50% e 31,6%, mDOR 10.5 mo, mDoCR: 36,6 mo, probabilità di mantenere CR a 36 m 51.0%**
- **CRS (52,9%), anemia (35,8%), iperpiressia (39,6%). ICANS solo 1 pt (Gr 2), infezioni >G3 24,6%.**

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Algorithm for Second-line Therapy of LBCL



## LE OPZIONI PER APPROVAZIONE AIFA

Tx	I LINEA	II LINEA		III LINEA	
		<65-70	>70-75	<65-70	>70-75
<b>Pola</b>	✓ R-Pola-CHP DLBCL IPI 3-5	✓ R-Pola Bendamustina DLBCL R/R e non idonei a ASCT <b>tranne PRECEDENTE CAR T entro 100 gg e risposta a precedente Benda &gt; 12 m,</b>			
<b>ASCT</b>	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗
<b>Axixel</b>	✗	✓ DLBCL e HG NHL refrattario entro 12 m o R/R >2L			
<b>Lisocel</b>	✗	✗	✗	✓ DLBCL e HG NHL in R/R >2L, PMDLBCL	
<b>Tisacel</b>	✗	✗	✗	✓ DLBCL incluso HG NHL in recidiva o refrattario >2L	
<b>Tafasitamab</b>	✗	✓ DLBCL R/R e non idonei a ASCT <b>tranne HG, PMDLBCL, &gt; 3 linea, PRECEDENTE CAR T o altri trattamenti anti-CD19, localizzazione SNC, diatesi trombofilica</b>			
<b>Loncastuximab</b>	✗	✗	✗	✓ DLBCL NOS, HG e trasformati <b>tranne</b> CD19 non espresso dopo terapia anti-CD19, GVHD, Bulky localizzazione SNC, neuropatia > G1	
<b>Glofitamab</b>	✗	✗	✗	✓ DLBCL NOS dopo la II linea <b>tranne</b> <100 gg da ASCT, precedente terapia con bispecifico, precedente AlloSCT, coinvolgimento SNC HLH o leucoencefalopatia multifocale progressiva (solo Glofitamab), <b>Malattia autoimmune che richiede immunosoppressione permanente</b> (solo Epcoritamab), <b>ClCr &lt;30 ml/min, Child-Pugh B e C</b>	
<b>Epcoritamab</b>	✗	✗	✗		



## CONCLUSIONI e UNMET NEED

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- Implementare la diagnostica molecolare in particolare per HG-NHL.
- Il piano di cura nelle varie fasi e nel «lungo» termine deve comprendere le valutazioni di concomitanti rimborsabilità AIFA anche in funzione dell'andamento clinico (es. PET dopo il IV ciclo e/o entro i 12 mesi).
- compatibilmente con età, comorbidità, logistica, disponibilità del caregiver, patient priority.
- seguire l'evoluzione dei processi registrativi per le singole opzioni e/o associazioni terapeutiche.
- quali opzioni per DLBCL RR over 75 aa. e/o unfit to ASCT/CART dopo la 1L?
- disponibilità trials attivi con arruolamento aperto, usi compassionevoli.
- **RUOLO dei CENTRI HUB della REV anche come attività di COUNSELING ???**