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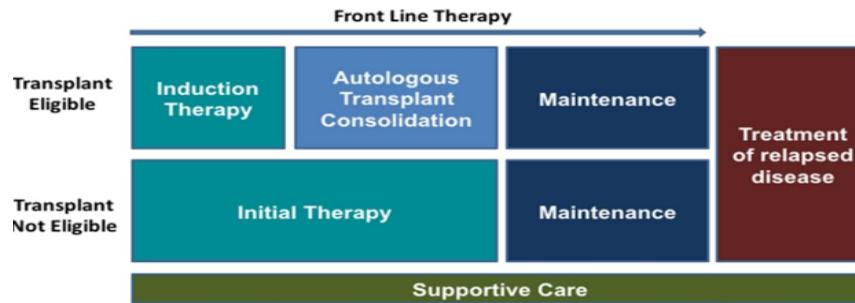
# Punti chiave da discutere

- ✓ Il trapianto è ancora necessario?
  - Dobbiamo ancora distinguere i pazienti eleggibili dai non eleggibili?
- ✓ Quadrupletta per tutti?
  - Quale paziente, quale anti-CD38 e quale PI?
- ✓ Quale è la migliore terapia di mantenimento?
  - Chi beneficia dagli anti-CD38?
  - Per quanto tempo il mantenimento?
- ✓ Dove stiamo andando?
  - Quale è il ruolo della immunoterapia e dei nuovi agenti?



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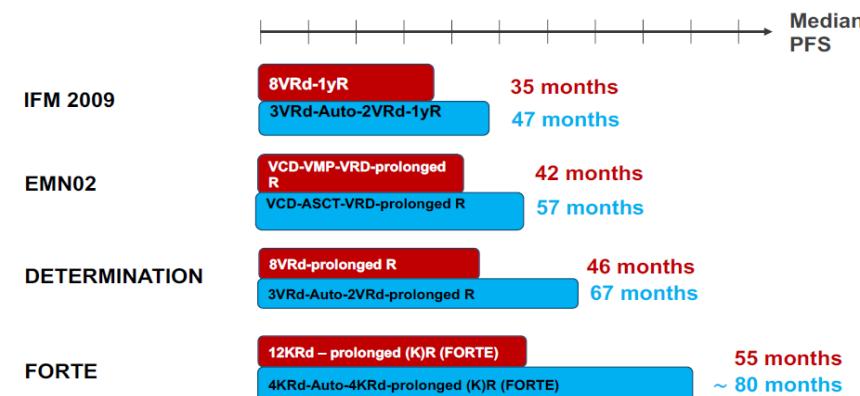
## Conventional Treatment Paradigm for NDMM



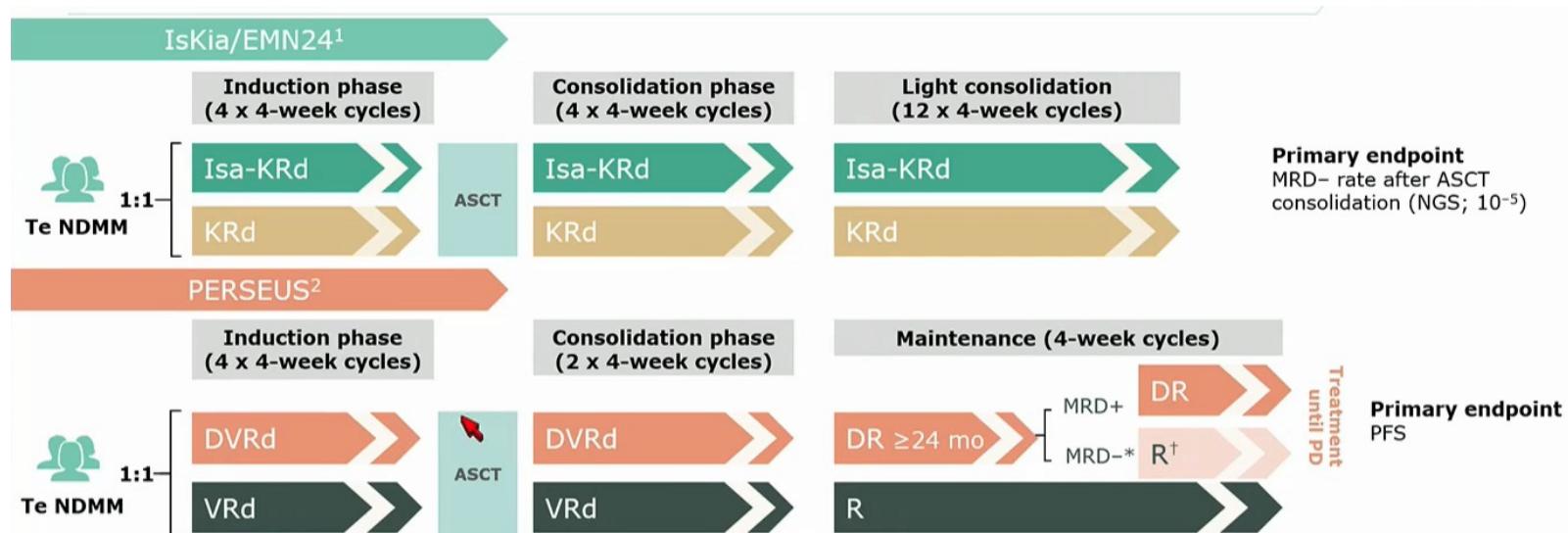
mOS in NDMM

Rischio Standard: ~ 13 anni  
Alto Rischio : ~ 7 anni

## Triplette senza/con ASCT



# Phase III trials will provide further insights on the role of quadruplets with both V- and K- based bacbones inTE NDMM



Evaluation of quadruplets with different PI backbones may offer physicians greater choice in tailoring treatment to patients

\* $\geq 12$  month sustained; at  $10^{-5}$  by NGS

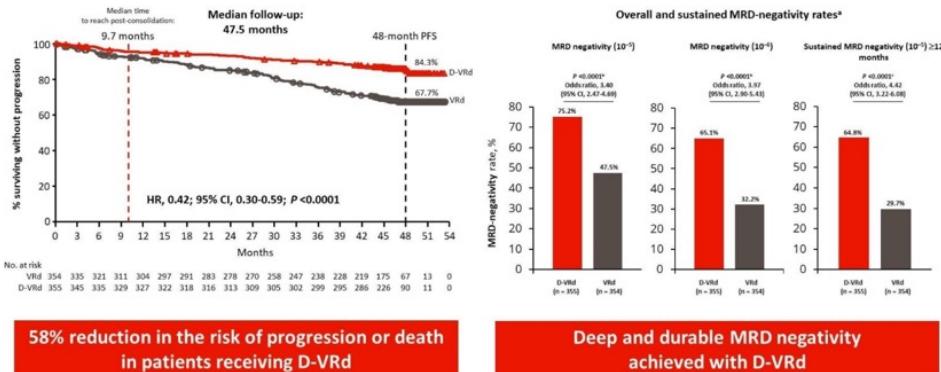
<sup>†</sup>Opportunity to restart D upon loss of CR or MRD-

ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; D, daratumumab; d, dexamethasone; K, carfilzomib; MRD, minimal residual disease; NDMM, newly diagnosed multiple myeloma; PFS, progression-free survival; R, lenalidomide; Te, transplant eligible; V, bortezomib

1. Clinicaltrials.gov NCT04483739;

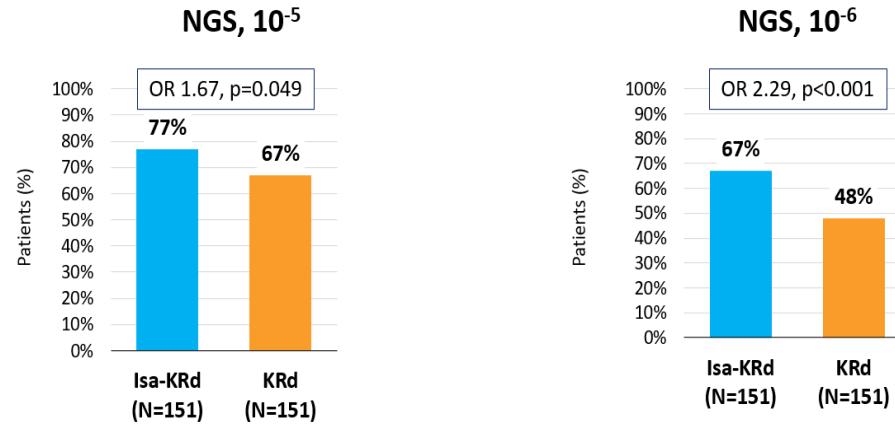
2. Clinicaltrials.gov NCT03710603

## PERSEUS: PFS and MRD negativity



Sonneveld P et al. ASH 2023. Abstract LBA1.  
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## IsKIA/EMN24: Post consolidation MRD negativity



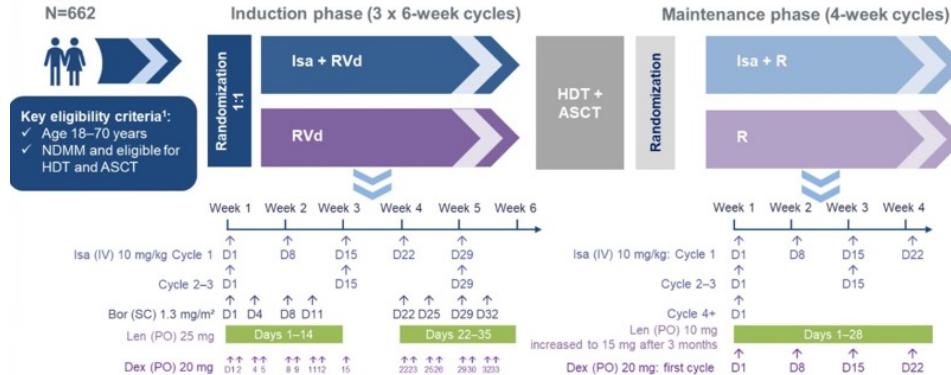
≥VGPR after consolidation was 94% in both arms; ≥CR 74% vs 72% and sCR 64% vs 67% in the IsaKRd vs KRd arms.

Consistent MRD results were detected by next-generation flow

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

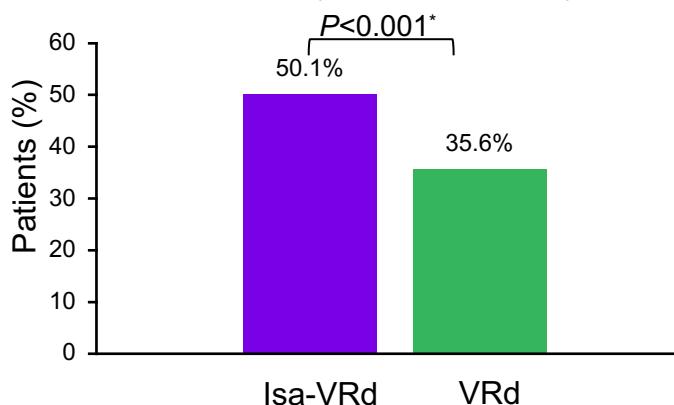
# GMMG-HD7: The First Phase 3 Study Evaluating Isa + RVd for Induction and Maintenance in TE NDMM Patients

NDMM  
N=662



## Patients with MRD– at the end of induction therapy

OR, 1.83 (95% CI, 1.34–2.51)



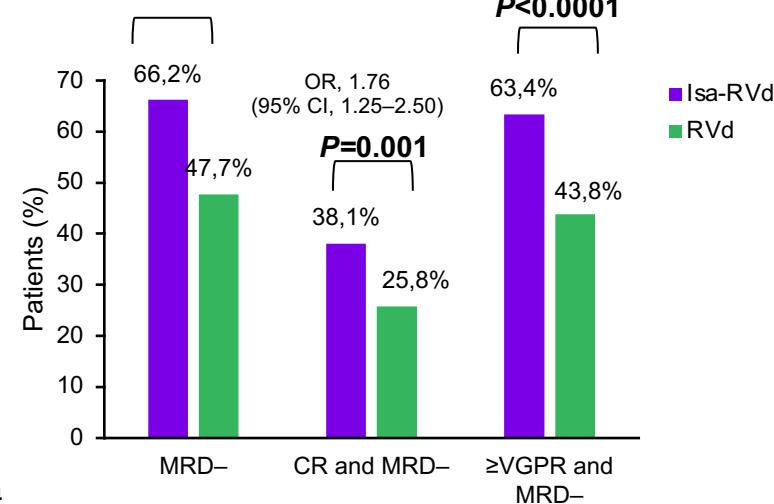
Goldschmidt H et al ASH 2024

## MRD– rates post transplant in the ITT population

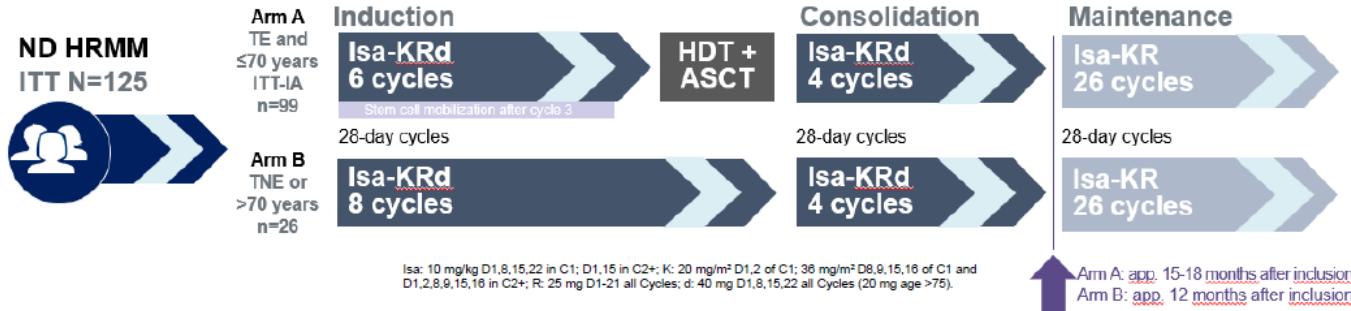
OR, 2.13  
(95% CI, 1.56–2.92)

OR, 2.22  
(95% CI, 1.63–3.03)

**P<0.0001**

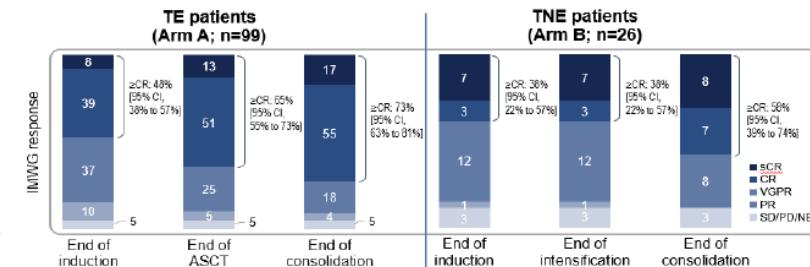
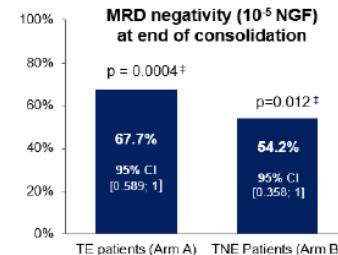


# GMMG-CONCETP: Isa-KRD in Two Cohorts of patients with High-Risk NDMM



- HRMM criteria: ISS stage II or III PLUS  $\geq 1$  of: del(17p), t(4;14), t(14;16) and/or  $>3$  copies 1q21 (amp1q21)
- Primary objective: MRD negativity after consolidation (NGF,  $10^{-5}$ )
- Secondary objective: PFS; Key tertiary objectives: ORR, OS, safety

## MRD negativity and IMWG response

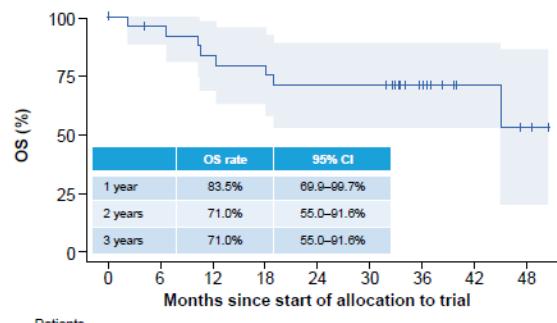
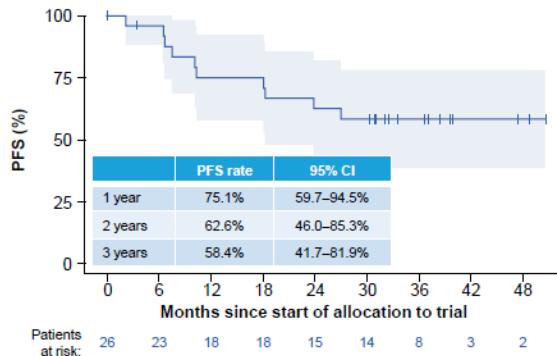


MRD status, n (%)	TE patients (Arm A) (n=93*)	TNE patients (Arm B) (n=24*)
Negative	63 (67.7)	13 (54.2)
Positive	3 (3.2)	0 (0)
Not done/missing	2 (2.2)	0 (0)
Time point not reached	25 (27.0)	11 (45.8)

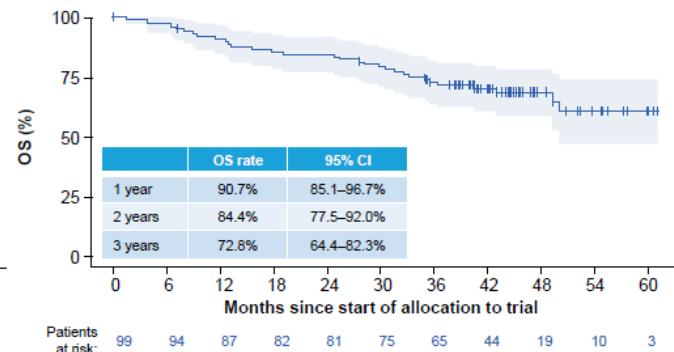
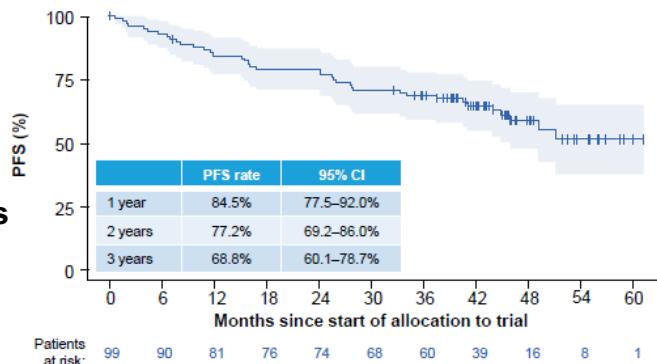
\* 6 TE and 2 TNE patients were not assessable

- The trial met its primary endpoint with MRD negativity rates of 67.7% (TE) and 54.2% (TNE) at the end of consolidation
- Responses deepened over time with  $\geq$ CR-rates of 72.7% (TE) and 57.7% (TNE) as best response

# GMMG-CONCETP: PFS and OS



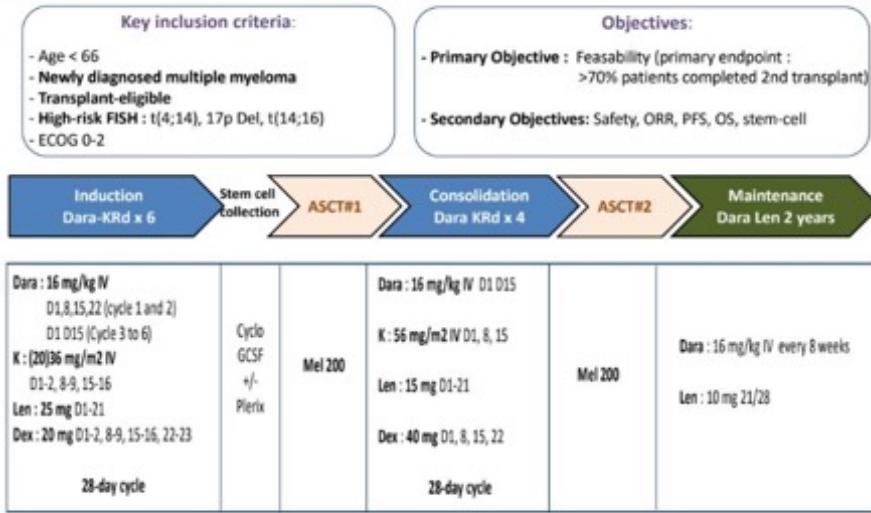
TNE NR follow up 35 months



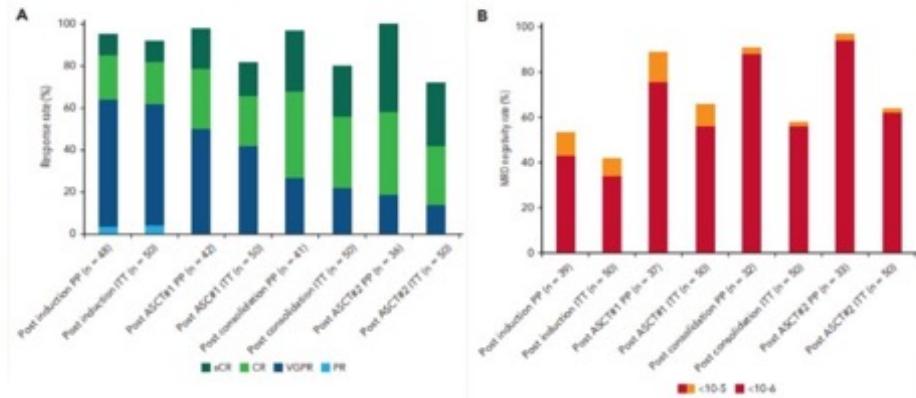
TE NR follow up 44 months

# Dara-KRd for High-Risk DMM: Phase 2 IMF 2018-04 Study

## 2018-04 study design

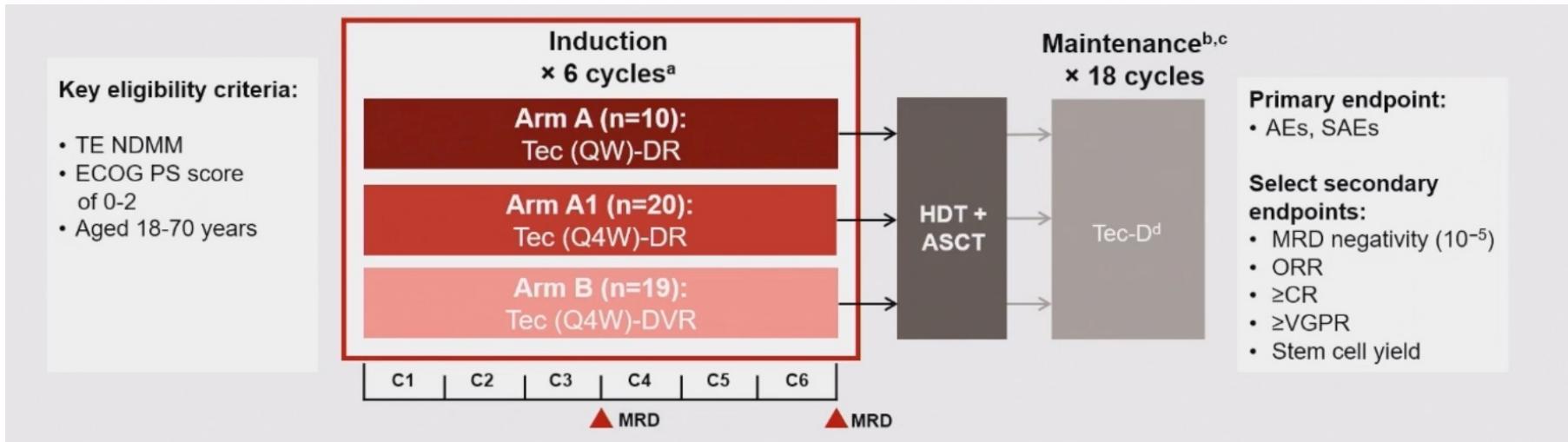


## Dara-KRd induction : Response rates and MRD



- 36 of 50 patients (72%) of patients completed 2<sup>nd</sup> transplant
- ORR = 100% (81% CR) in patients who completed 2<sup>nd</sup> transplant
- Premaintenance MRD– rate ( $10^{-6}$ ) = 94%
- 30-month PFS = 80%; OS = 91%

# GMMG-HD 10/DSMM-XX/MajesTEC-5: Study Design

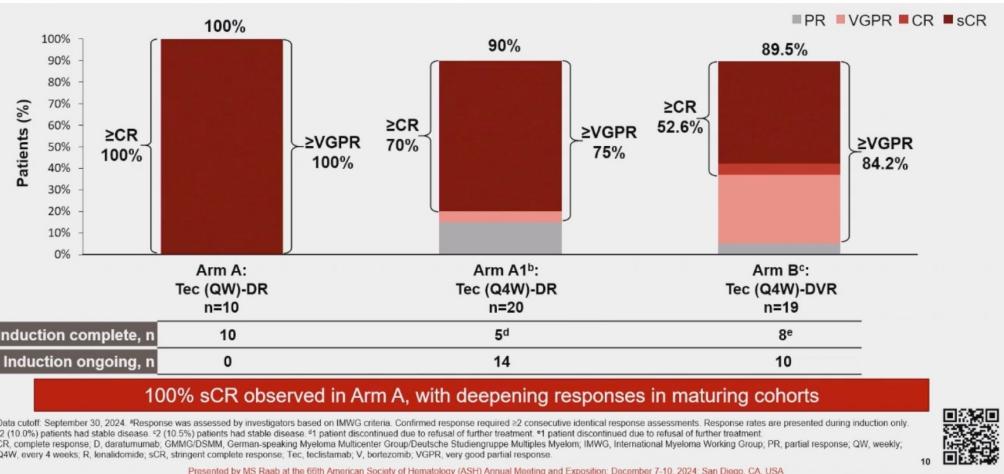


- Per protocol, MRD assessments by NGF were planned following completion of C3 and C6 in all patients
- Additional cohorts evaluating Tal and Tec/Tal combinations are also being investigated as part of this study

<sup>a</sup>Each cycle is 28 days. Dexamethasone was also administered in C1 and C2. Stem cell collection was planned after 3 cycles of induction. <sup>b</sup>Following maintenance therapy, patients could receive additional SoC maintenance treatment per institutional standard and local investigator decision. <sup>c</sup>Maintenance treatment can be discontinued when 12 months of sustained MRD negativity ( $10^{-5}$ ) have been observed, beginning in induction. <sup>d</sup>Planned maintenance treatment in Arm A was Tec-DR. A protocol amendment permitted patients initially assigned to Tec-DR maintenance to receive Tec-D maintenance per investigator's choice (patients who started Tec-DR may have discontinued Len to receive Tec-D per investigator's choice). AE, adverse event; ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; C, Cycle; CR, complete response; D, daratumumab; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; GMMG/DSMM, German-speaking Myeloma Multicenter Group/Deutsche Studiengruppe Multiples Myelom; HDT, high-dose therapy; Len, lenalidomide; MRD, minimal residual disease; NDMM, newly diagnosed multiple myeloma; NGF, next-generation flow cytometry; ORR, overall response rate; QW, weekly; Q4W, every 4 weeks; R, lenalidomide; SAE, serious adverse event; SoC, standard-of-care; Tal, talquetamab; TE, teclistamab; V, bortezomib; VGPR, very good partial response.

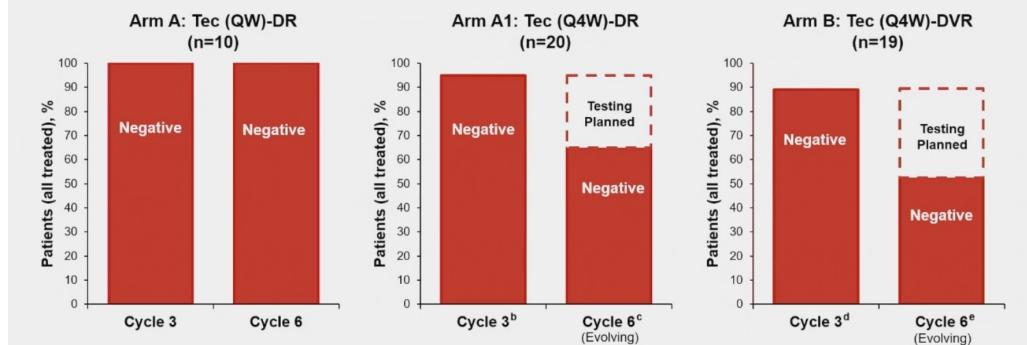


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## Response Rate

## MRD Negativity ( $10^{-5}$ )



# INFECTIONS

TEAE, n (%) <sup>a</sup>	Arm A: Tec (QW)-DR (n=10)		Arm A1: Tec (Q4W)-DR (n=20)		Arm B: Tec (Q4W)-DVR (n=19)		Total (N=49)	
	All grade	Grade 3/4	All grade	Grade 3/4	All grade	Grade 3/4	All grade	Grade 3/4
<b>Any infection</b>	10 (100)	4 (40)	18 (90)	9 (45)	11 (57.9)	4 (21.1)	39 (79.6)	17 (34.7)
<b>Infections<sup>b</sup></b>								
URTI	6 (60)	0	8 (40)	1 (5)	6 (31.6)	0	20 (40.8)	1 (2)
COVID-19	2 (20)	0	4 (20)	1 (5)	3 (15.8)	3 (15.8)	9 (18.4)	4 (8.2)
Nasopharyngitis	3 (30)	0	2 (10)	0	2 (10.5)	0	7 (14.3)	0
Bronchitis	2 (20)	0	0	0	0	0	2 (4.1)	0
Infection (NOS)	0	0	1 (5)	1 (5)	2 (10.5)	1 (5.3)	3 (6.1)	2 (4.1)
Pneumonia	1 (10)	1 (10)	1 (5)	0	2 (10.5)	2 (10.5)	4 (8.2)	3 (6.1)

Data cutoff: September 30, 2024. <sup>a</sup>AEs are graded according to the NCI-CTCAE Version 5.0. <sup>b</sup>Infections reported in >10% of patients in any arm. <sup>c</sup>Includes patients with ≥1 TEAE of hypogammaglobulinemia or post-baseline IgG value <400 mg/dL. <sup>d</sup>Includes patients who started IVIg prior to Tec. <sup>e</sup>Prophylaxis for *Pneumocystis jirovecii* pneumonia and herpes zoster reactivation was also recommended, as well as routine antibiotic prophylaxis.

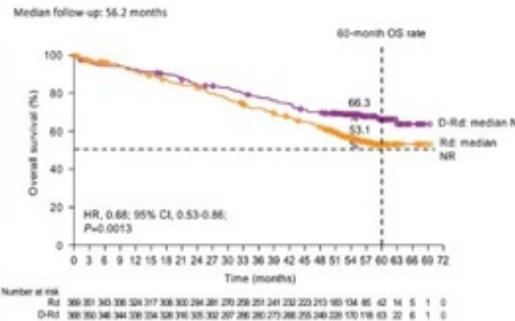
D, daratumumab; GMMG/DSMM, German-speaking Myeloma Multicenter Group/Deutsche Studiengruppe Multiples Myelom; Ig, immunoglobulin; IgG, immunoglobulin G; IVIg, intravenous immunoglobulin; NCI-CTCAE, National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; NOS, not otherwise specified; QW, weekly; Q4W, every 4 weeks; R, lenalidomide; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; Tec, tecituzumab; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection; V, bortezomib.



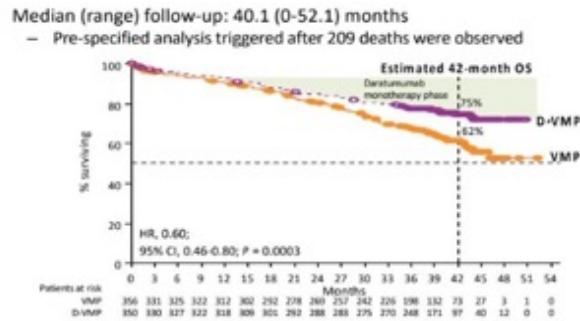
- 17 (34.7%) patients had grade 3/4 infections
  - URTI and COVID-19 were the most common all grade
  - No discontinuations due to infection
  - No grade 5 infections
- Hypogammaglobulinemia<sup>c</sup> was reported in 45 (91.8%) patients
  - 44 (89.8%) received ≥1 dose of IVIg<sup>d</sup>
- Infection prophylaxis, including Ig replacement, was strongly recommended<sup>e</sup>

# Treatment Landscape for Transplant-Ineligible NDMM

## MAIA trial<sup>1</sup>

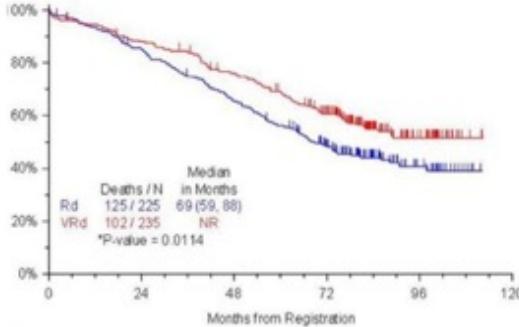


## ALCYONE trial<sup>2</sup>



32% reduction in risk of death in patients receiving D-Rd vs Rd

## SWOG S0777 trial<sup>3</sup>

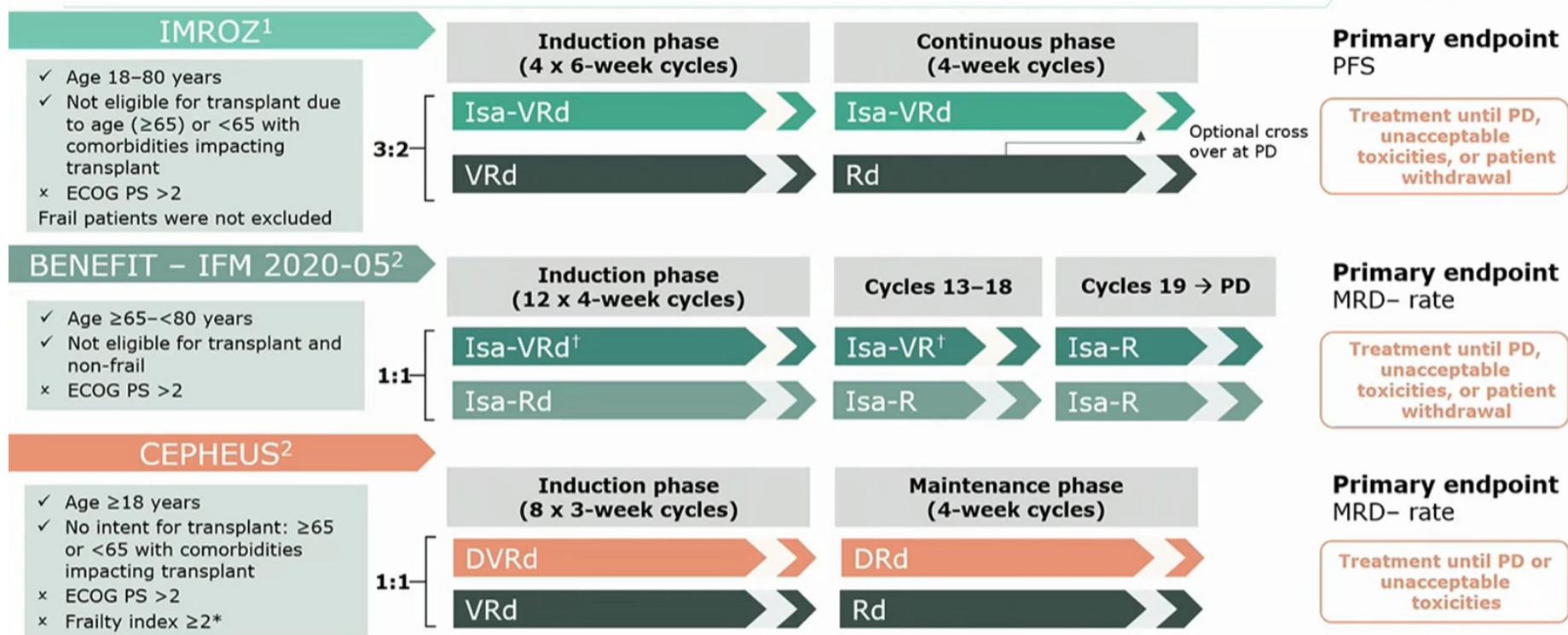


40% reduction in risk of death in patients receiving D-VMP vs VMP

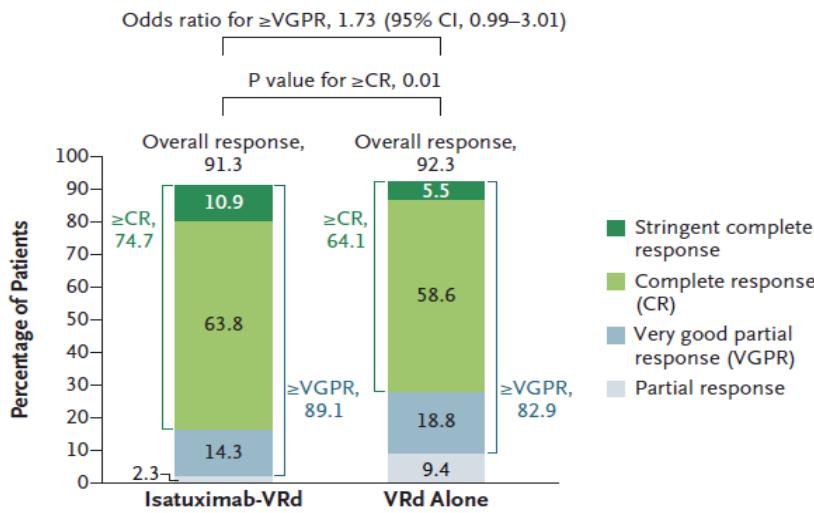
31% reduction in risk of death in patients receiving VRd vs Rd

1. Facon T et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2021;22(11):1582-96; 2. Mateos MV et al. *Lancet.* 2020;395(10218):132-41; 3. Durie BGM et al. *Blood Cancer J.* 2020;10(5):53.

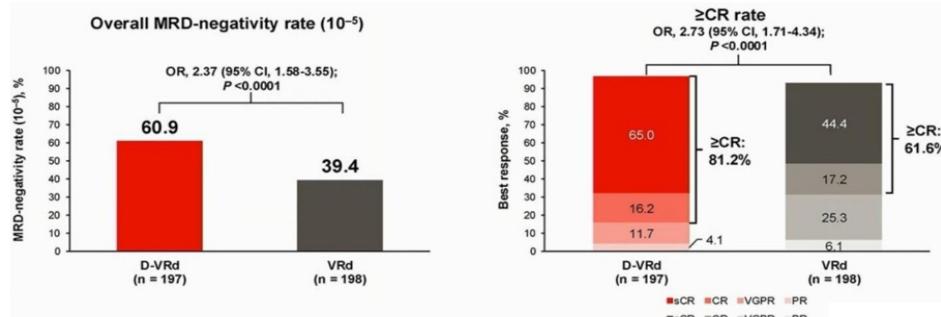
# Studies in TI NDMM will help elucidate the patient populations that can benefit from quadruplets over triplets



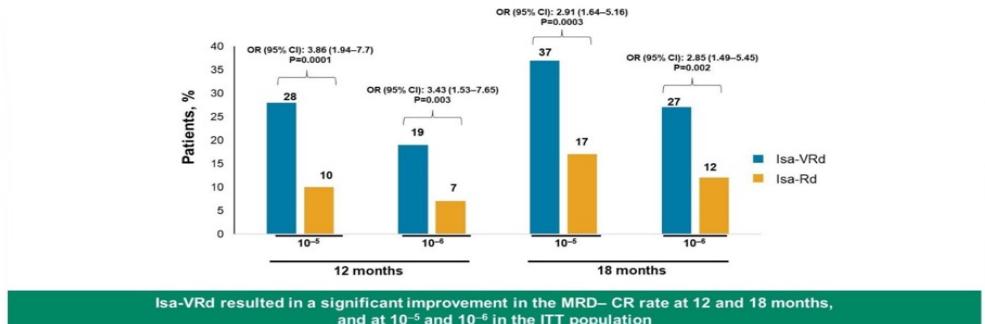
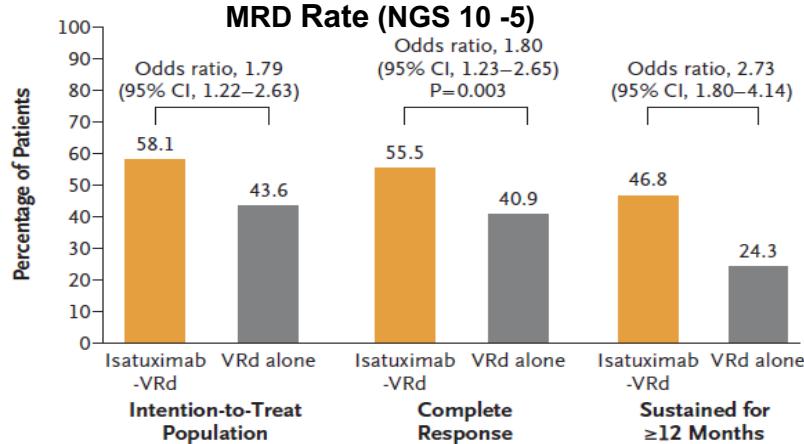
## IMROZ-Treatment Response



## CEPHEUS: Primary Endpoint – MRD - Negativity

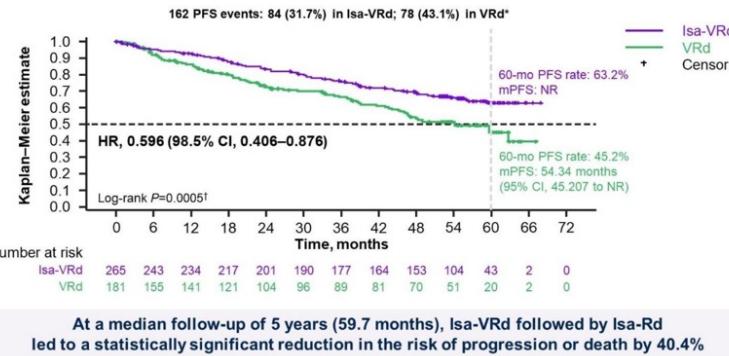


## BENEFIT (IFM 2020-05) Study: MRD – CR Rate at 18 months

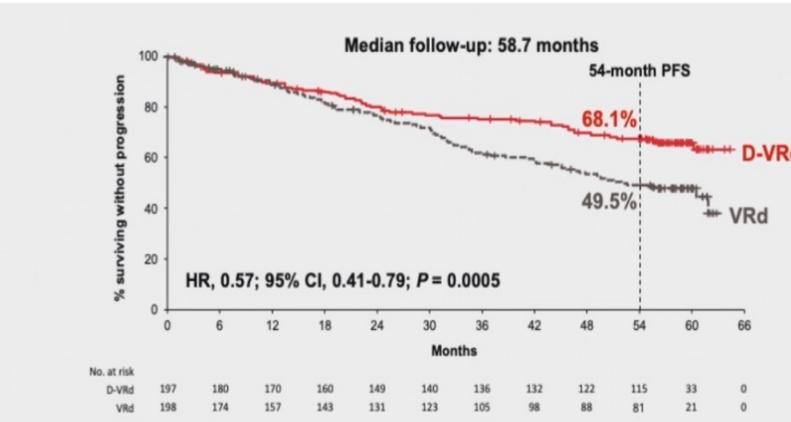


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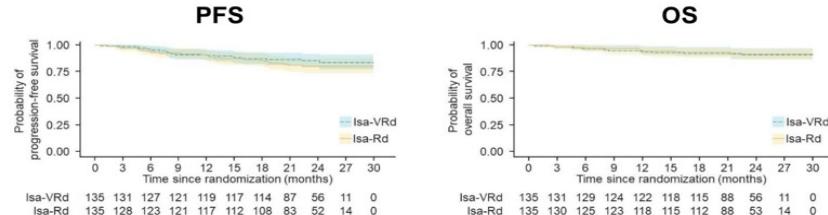
# IMROZ: Primary Endpoint - PFS



# CEPHEUS: PFS



# BENEFIT (IFM 2020-05) Study: PFS and OS



At a median follow-up of 23.5 months, survival is still immature

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# Quadruplet vs Triplet Therapy for TIE NDMM: Safety Data

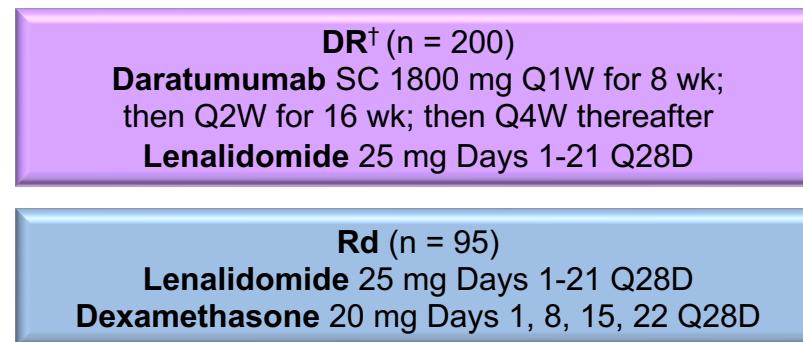
	CEPHEUS trial		IMROZ trial		BENEFIT trial	
Combination regimen	Dara-VRd	VRd	Isa-VRd	VRd	Isa-VRd	Isa-Rd
Maintenance	Dara-Rd	Rd	Isa-Rd	Rd	Isa-R	Isa-R
Any infection	92% any grade 40% grade ≥3	86% any grade 32% grade ≥3	91% any grade 45% grade ≥3	87% any grade 38% grade ≥3	93% any grade 71% grade ≥2	83% any grade 68% grade ≥2
Pneumonia	<i>Not reported</i>		30% any grade 20% grade ≥3	19% any grade 13% grade ≥3	48% any grade 35% grade ≥2	47% any grade 40% grade ≥2
URI	40% any grade 0.5% grade ≥3	33% any grade 0.5% grade ≥3	<i>Not reported</i>		<i>Not reported</i>	
Peripheral neuropathy	56% any grade 8% grade ≥3	61% any grade 8% grade ≥3	54% any grade 7% grade ≥3	61% any grade 6% grade ≥3	52% any grade 27% grade ≥2	28% any grade 10% grade ≥2
Eye disorders	<i>Not reported</i>		38% any grade 16% grade ≥3	25% any grade 11% grade ≥3	15% any grade 7% grade ≥2	14% any grade 8% grade ≥2
SPM	7.6% any grade	9.2% any grade	9.5% any grade 5.7% grade ≥3	5.5% any grade 4.4% grade ≥3	4% any grade 4% grade ≥2	4% any grade 4% grade ≥2

# IFM2017-03: Study Design

- Randomized, open-label, multicenter phase III trial<sup>1</sup>

*Stratification by ISS (I vs II vs III) and age (<80 vs ≥80 yr)*

Patients aged ≥65 yr with  
newly diagnosed MM;    *Randomized*  
IFM frailty score ≥2\*                      2:1  
(N = 295)



\*IFM frailty score (age, ECOG PS, Charlson index)<sup>2</sup>: 0-1 = fit; ≥2 = frail.

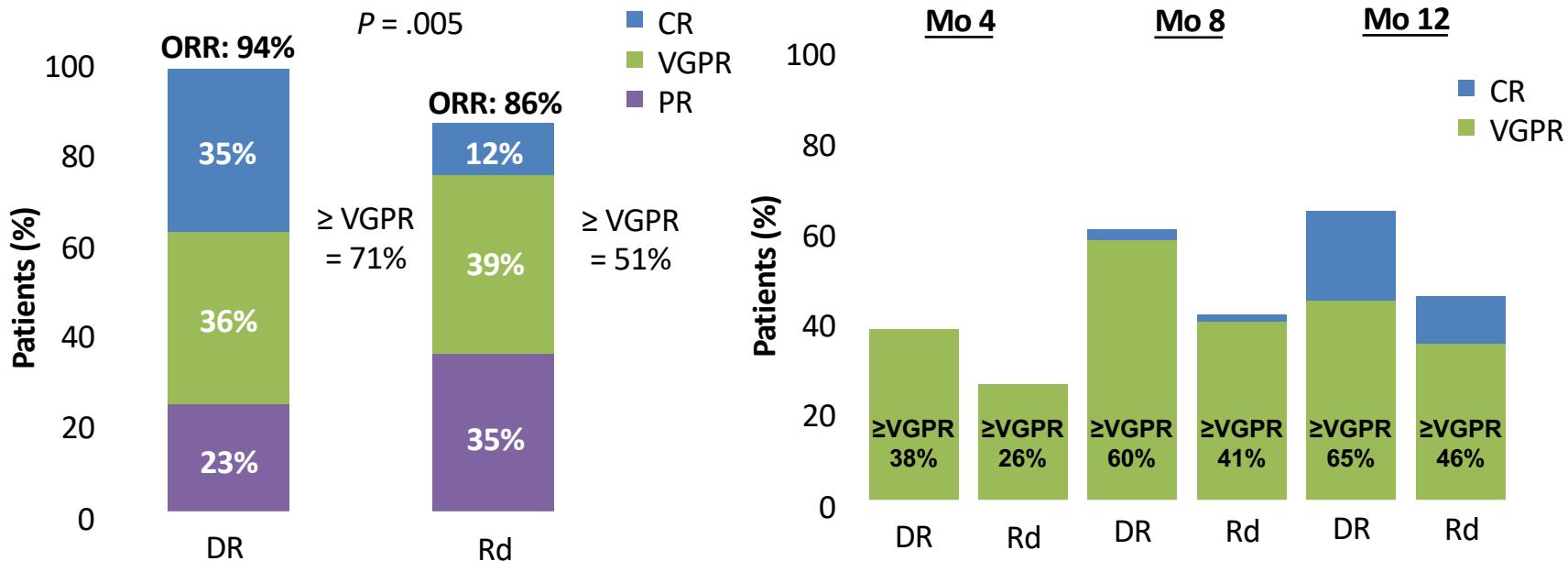
<sup>1</sup>DR included low-dose dexamethasone 20 mg/wk during cycles 1,2, along with SC daratumumab dosing.

- Primary endpoint:** PFS
- Secondary endpoints:** ORR, rate of ≥VGPR, rate of MRD negativity, OS, safety

*Treatment  
continued until PD  
or unacceptable  
AE*

**Interim analysis at  
12 mo of therapy:**  
ORR, ≥VGPR, MRD  
rate, grade ≥3 AEs

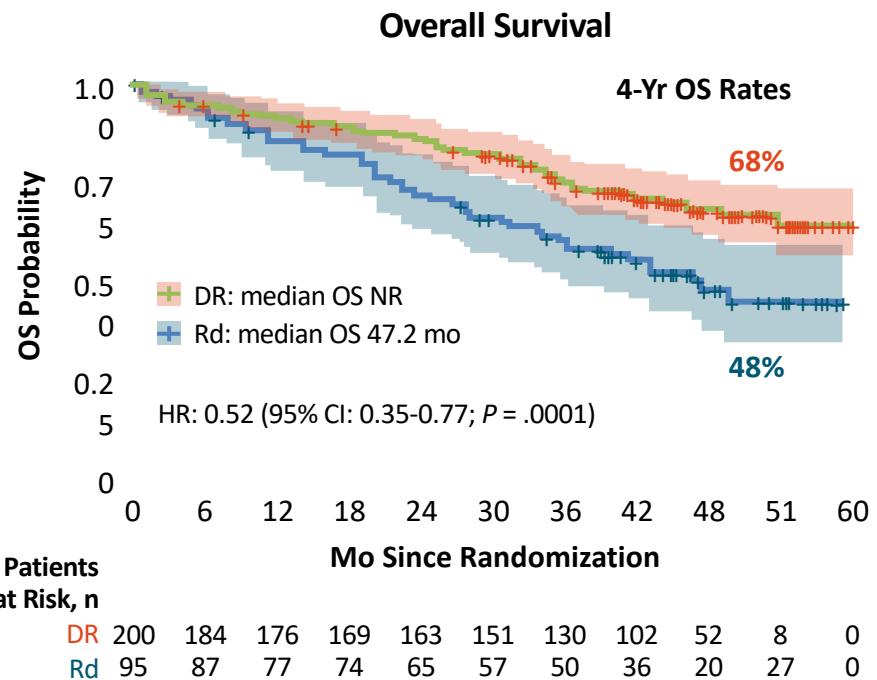
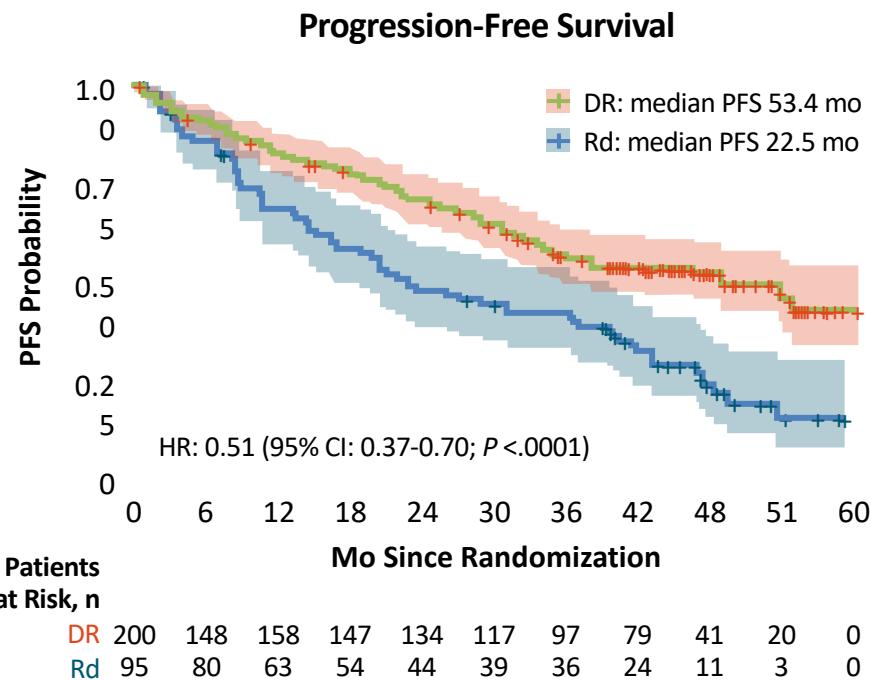
# IFM2017-03: Response Rates



- VGPR or better rate was substantially greater in the DR group
- DR was associated with deeper responses at all time points, including early time points

# IFM2017-03: PFS (Primary Endpoint) and OS

Median follow-up: 46.3 mo



# IFM2017-03: Most Common Grade ≥3 AEs

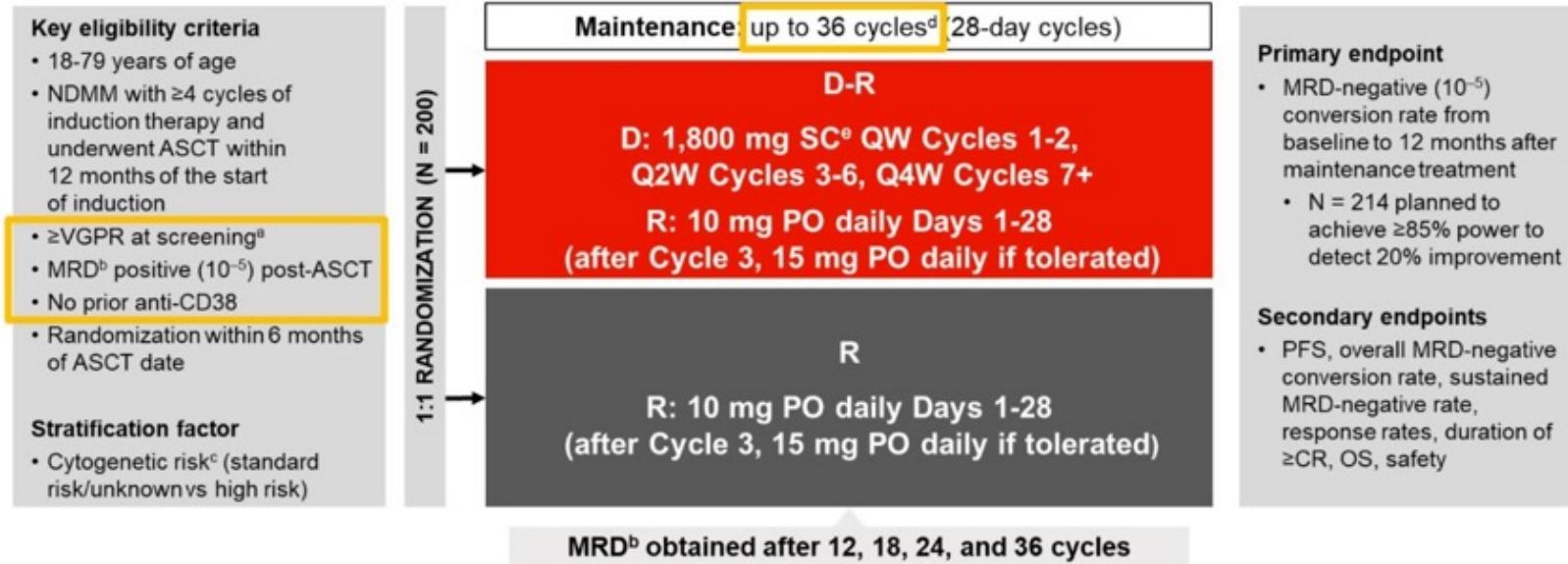
Outcome	Grade ≥3 AEs	
	DR (n = 200)	Rd (n = 95)
Median treatment duration, mo	31.6	14.3
All grade ≥3 AEs, n (%)	178 (89)	75 (79)
All grade 5 AEs, n (%)	23 (12)	12 (13)
Grade 3 hematologic AEs, n (%)	123 (62)	32 (34)
▪ Neutropenia	110 (55)	23 (24)
▪ Anemia	24 (12)	3 (3)
▪ Thrombocytopenia	19 (10)	5 (5)
Nonhematologic AEs, n (%)	132 (66)	68 (72)
Infection, n (%)	38 (19)	20 (21)
▪ Pneumonia	11 (6)	8 (8)
Infection rate per patient-yr	0.07	0.09
Treatment discontinuation due to AE, n (%)	60 (30)	32 (34)

- Patients receiving DR experienced no increased rates of infection or treatment discontinuation

**Quale è la migliore terapia di mantenimento?**

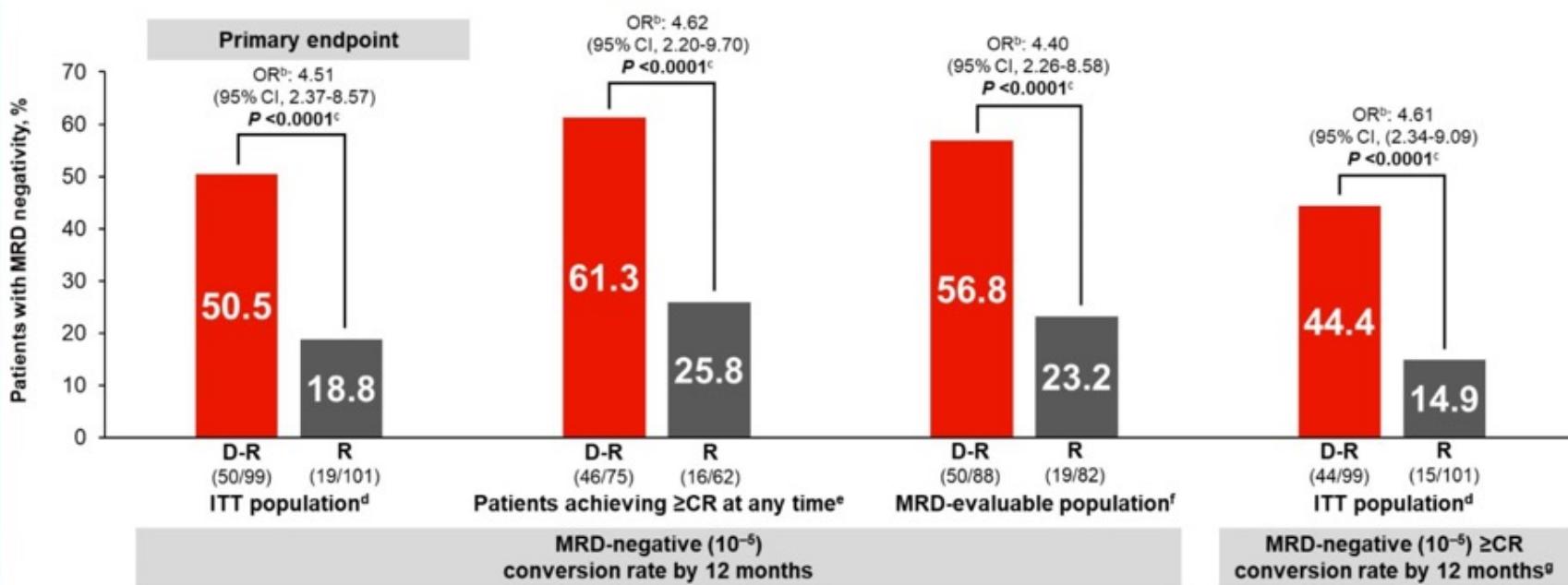
# Phase 3 AURIGA Trial: Dara-R vs Maintenance After Triplet

Objective: To determine the impact of adding DARA to R maintenance on MRD-negative conversion



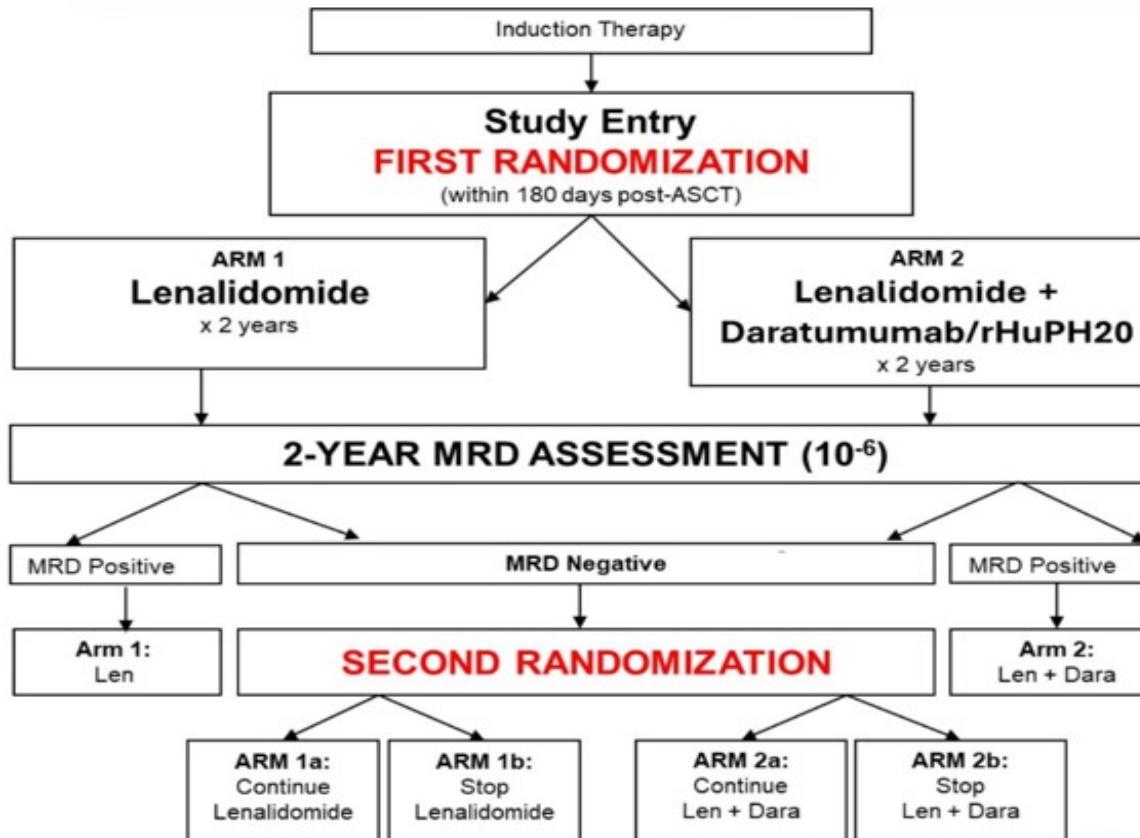
<sup>d</sup>After 36 months, if no PD, treatment continuation at discretion of investigator

# AURIGA Trial: MRD-Negative Conversion Rate at 12 Months



AURIGA data demonstrate the benefit of D-R maintenance therapy versus R alone in patients who were MRD positive after triplet induction and ASCT.

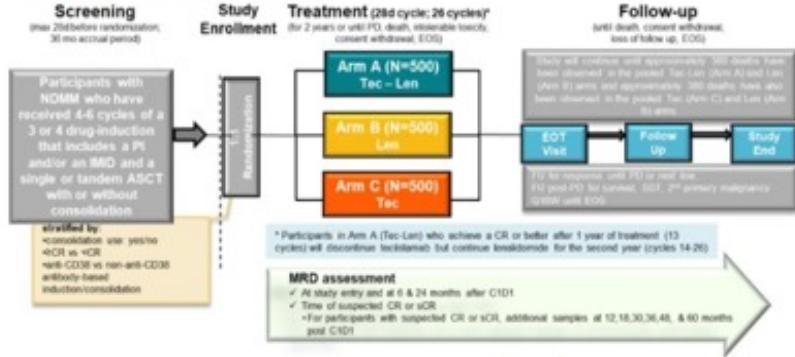
# S1803 DRAMMATIC: DR vs R Maintenance with MRD-Guided Therapy Duration



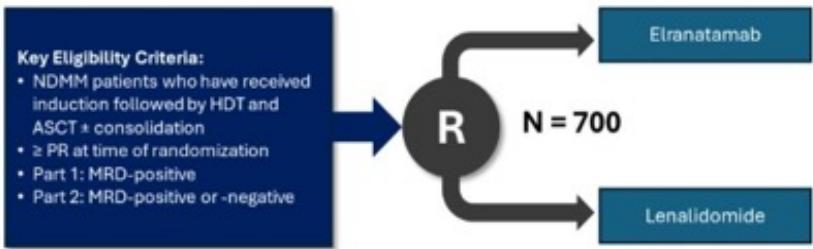
## **Future Directions**

# Frontline Immunotherapies for TE-NDMM Patients

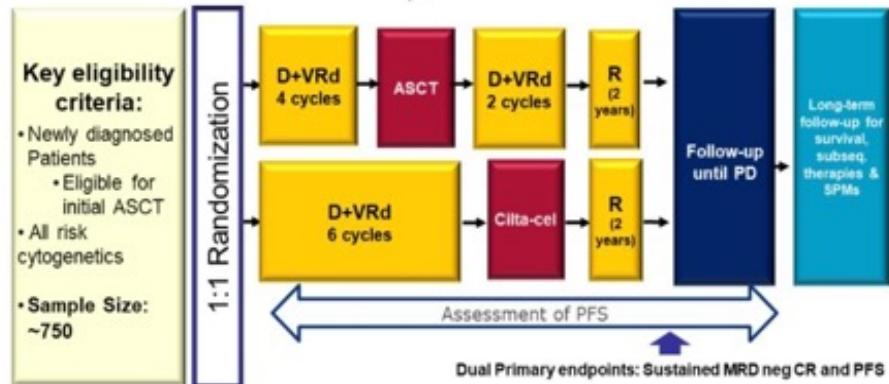
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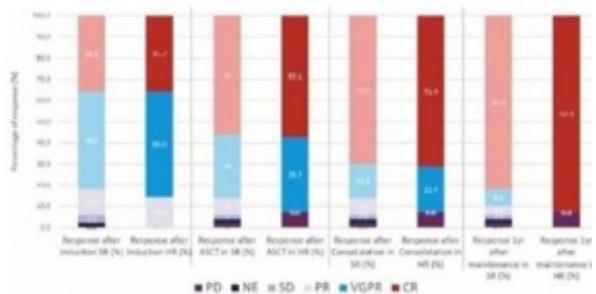
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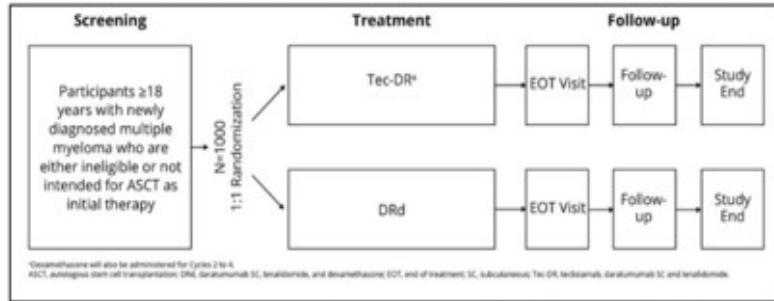


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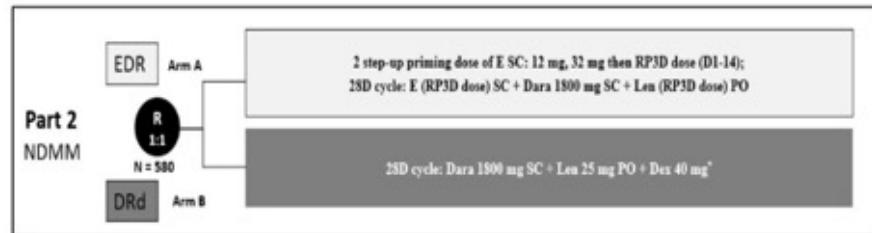


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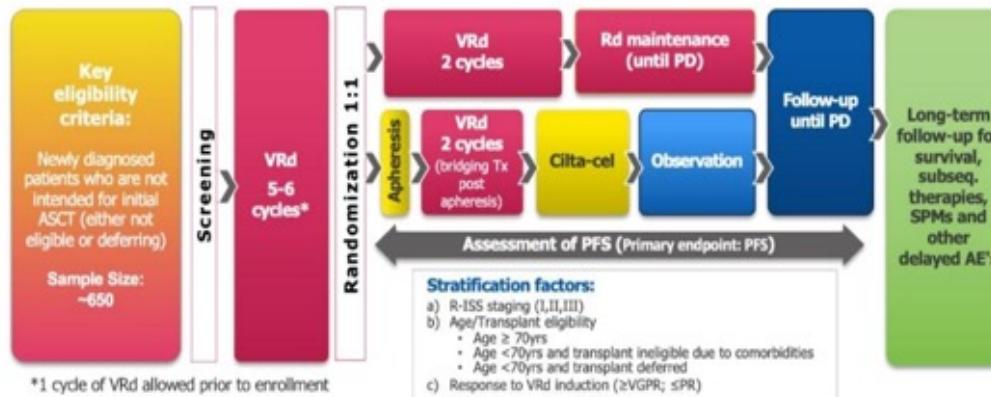
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## CARTITUDE-5



# Punti chiave da discutere

- ✓ *Il trapianto è ancora necessario?*
  - *Dobbiamo ancora distinguere i pazienti eleggibili dai non eleggibili?*
    - ❖ **Si è ancora da considerare la terapia standard. Continuiamo a distinguere i pazienti tra eleggibili e non eleggibili, ma forse più corretto valutare anche «fit vs frail»**
- ✓ *Quadrupletta per tutti?*
  - *Quale paziente, quale anti – CD38 e quale PI?*
    - ❖ **Nuove terapie standard per i pazienti eleggibili e pazienti fit non eleggibili (terapie settimanali con dosaggi ridotti per tutti gli altri)**
- ✓ *Quale è la migliore terapia di mantenimento?*
  - *Chi beneficia dagli anti – CD38?*
  - *Per quanto tempo il mantenimento?*
    - ❖ **Anti-CD38 hanno guadagnato il favore, ma la dose e la durata devono essere ancora valutati**
- ✓ *Dove stiamo andando?*
  - *Quale è il ruolo della immunoterapia e dei nuovi agenti?*
    - ❖ **CAR-T invece del trapianto, CELMoDs e/o anticorpi bispecifici come terapia di mantenimento, nuovi farmaci target**



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