

Treatment of CML patients with high cardiovascular risk

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BCR-ABL TKI-related cardiovascular toxicities Hyper Atrial Hearth Hyper Dys Effusion effusion Pulmonar AOE glycaemia lipidemia HG DL I fibrill **AF** failure HF tension: hypert **PH** HTN | TQTc Peric-E Pleu-E VascTox Ist generation **BCR-ABLTKI Imatinib** 2nd generation **BCR-ABL TKI** • • 0 Nilotinib **(** 0 0 0 Dasatinib 0 Bosutinib 3rd generation **BCR-ABLTKI** • • • • • • **O** 0 **Ponatinib** Very common: ≥10% incidence Uncommon: 0.1% to < 1% incidence Common: 1% to <10% incidence Rare: <0.1% incidence ESC-

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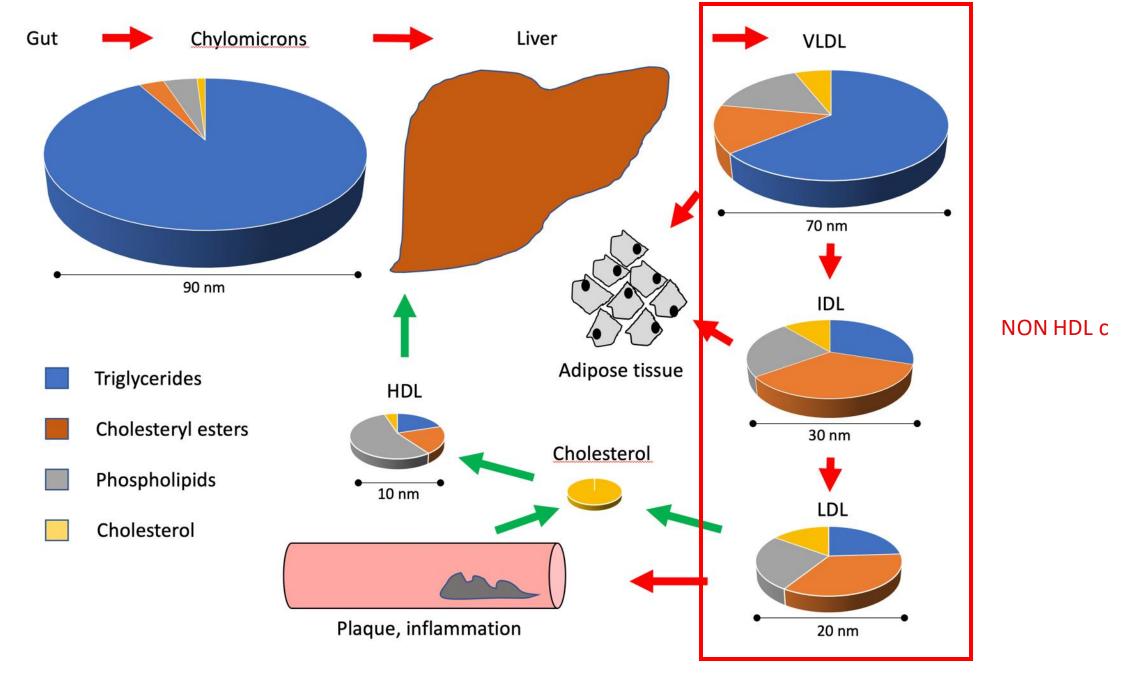
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Optimal targets for the prevention of CVD

Risk Factor	evaluation	target
Hyperglicemia	HbAıc	< 7%
		7-8% pt with long lasting DM and personal history of CV events
Dyslipidemia	LDL - Cholesterol	< 100 mg/dL
	Triglycerides	< 150 mg/dL
	HDL – Cholesterol NON HDL c	> 40 mg/dL M; > 50 mg/dL F
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Arterial Hypertension	SBP/DBP	< 140/90 mmHg
Smoke		Stop
Obesity	BMI	18.5 < BMI< 24.5

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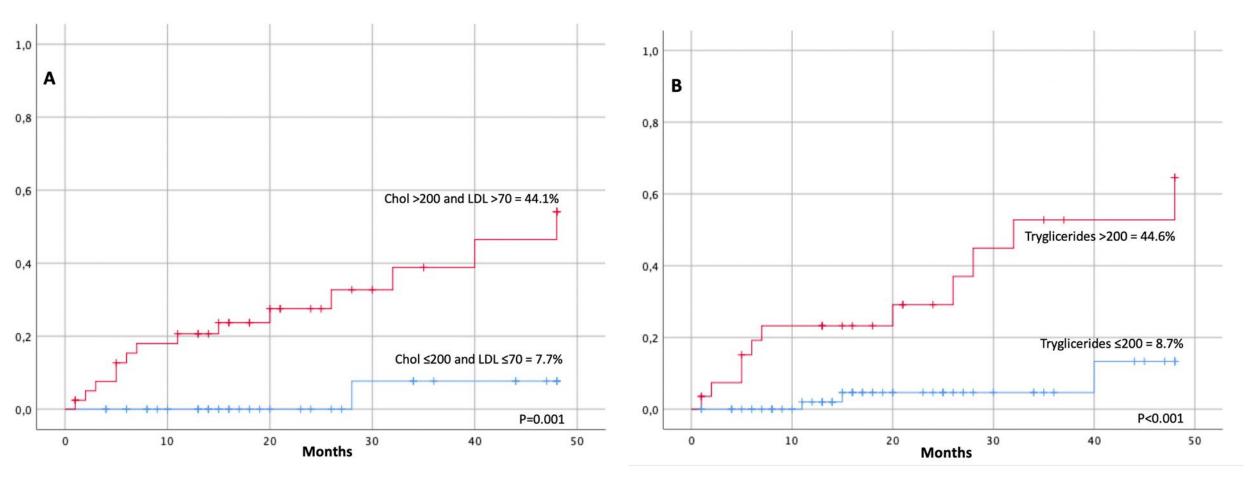
Low low-density lipoprotein (LDL), cholesterol and triglycerides plasma levels are associated with reduced risk of arterial occlusive events in chronic myeloid leukemia patients treated with ponatinib in the real-life. A *Campus CML* study

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Sex, N° (%)			CVD risk factors, N (%)		
Male	67	(58)	Hypertension	26	(22)
Female	49	(42)	Dyslipidemia	41	(35)
Age at diagnosis, mean years (range)	49	(23-81)	Obesity (BMI>24.5)	17	(15)
Median follow-up, mean years (range)	3.5	(1-5)	Severe renal insufficiency	1	(1)
Leukocyte x10 ³ /uL, mean value (range)	132	(7-515)	Diabetes	13	(11)
Hemoglobin g/dl, mean value (range)	12.3	(5-18)	SCORE* ≤5%	84	(72)
Platelet x10 ³ /uL, mean value (range)	383	(110-998)	SCORE >5%	32	(28)
Splenomegaly, N° (%)	68	(59)	CVD at baseline, N (%)		
Sokal score, N° (%)			Positive an amnesis for CVD	23	(20)
Low	28	(24)	Myocardial infarction/angina	7	(6)
Intermediate	59	(51)	Arrhythmia	6	(5)
High	29	(25)	Other cardiac disease∞	9	(8)
Line of treatment, N° (%)			Peripheral arterial disease	1	(1)
Second line	42	(36)	Stroke	1	(1)
Third line	47	(41)	Peripheral venous disease	0	(0)
Fourth line	27	(23)	CV events following ponatinib, N (%)		
Reason of switch, N° (%)			Hypertension	15	(13)
Inefficacy	95	(82)	Myocardial infarction/angina	6	(5)
Intolerance	21	(18)	Peripheral arterial disease±	7	(6)
Ponatinib dose at baseline, N° (%)			Stroke	3	(3)
15mg	18	(16)	Primary prophylaxis	19	(16)
30mg	56	(48)	Secondary prophylaxis	6	(5)
45mg	42	(36)	Patient treated with statin/fibrate	10	(9)
Ponatinib dose at AOEs in 16 pts			Atorvastatin	6	(5)
15mg	5	(31)	Pravastatin	2	(2)
30mg	6	(38)	Lovastatin	1	(1)
45mg	5	(31)	Gemfibrozil	1	(1)

Arterial occlusive events (AOEs) in 82 CML patients according to cholesterol plasma level > 200 mg/dL and LDL > 70 mg/dL after 3 months since starting ponatinib (A) and in 94 CML patients according to triglycerides plasma level > 200 mg/dL before starting ponatinib (B).



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LDL target in dyslipidemia patients according to CV risk

Total CV risk	Untreated LDL	-C levels					
(SCORE) %	<1.4 mmol/L (55 mg/dL)	1.4 to <1.8 mmol/L (55 to <70 mg/dL)	1.8 to <2.6 mmol/L (70 to <100 mg/dL)	2.6 to <3.0 mmol/L (100 to <116 mg/dL)	3.0 to <4.9 mmol/L (116 to <190 mg/dL)	≥4.9 mmol/L (≥190 mg/dL)	
<1, low-risk	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle inter- vention, con- sider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	115
Class ^a /Level ^b	I/C	I/C	VC	I/C	Ila/A	IIa/A	
≥1 to <5, or moderate risk (see <i>Table</i> 4)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle inter- vention, con- sider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle inter- vention, con- sider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	100
Class ^a /Level ^b	I/C	I/C	IIa/A	Ila/A	Ila/A	Ila/A	
≥5 to <10, or high-risk (see <i>Table 4</i>)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle inter- vention, con- sider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle inter- vention and con- comitant drug intervention	Lifestyle inter- vention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	70
Class ^a /Level ^b	IIa/A	IIa/A	IIa/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	
≥10, or at very-high risk due to a risk condi- tion	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle inter- vention, con- sider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle inter- vention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle inter- vention and con- comitant drug intervention	Lifestyle inter- vention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	55
(see Table 4)							2019 ESC/EAS quidelines for the mo
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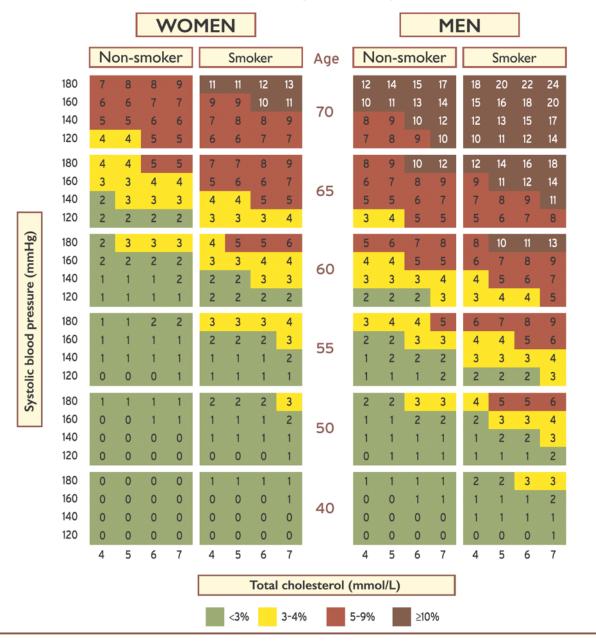
Practical key issues in the management of dyslipidemia in CML patients starting ponatinib

- Evaluation of the cardiovascular risk, including the SCORE estimation and a complete lipid profile (cholesterol, LDL, HDL, triglycerides and, ideally, ApoB)
- In CV low-intermediate risk patients, lipid value should be maintained within normal range and specific lifestyle intervention on dietary habits and physical activity should be recommended
- In CV high-very-high risk patients, or patients with diabetes or other CV risk factors or aged ≥ 60 years or presenting plaque burden on arterial ultrasonography, LDL value should be maintained < 70 mg/dL
- In patients that do not reach the LDL target, the addition of a non-statin lipid-modifying agent such as ezetimibe to a maximally tolerated statin should be considered
- In patients with adverse events by statin, LDL lowering can be obtained using different dose schedule, such as every other day or twice weekly, with atorvastatin or rosuvastatin
- Prophylaxis with aspirin 100 mg/die should be considered in patients with CV risk factors, in particular if aged ≥ 60 years
- Dose adjustment of Ponatinib in CV high-very-high should be considered

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SCORE Cardiovascular Risk Chart 10-year risk of fatal CVD

Low-risk regions of Europe



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Low risk

The low-risk category applies to individuals with a SCORE < 1%

High risk

Subjects with any of the following:

- •Markedly elevated single risk factors such as familial dyslipidaemias and severe hypertension.
- •Diabetes mellitus (type 1 or type 2) but without CV risk factors or target organ damage.
- •Moderate chronic kidney disease (GFR 30–59 mL/min/1.73 m2).
- •A calculated SCORE of ≥5% and < 10%

Moderate risk

Subjects are considered to be at moderate risk when their SCORE is ≥ 1 and < 5% at 10 years. Many middle-aged subjects belong to this category. This risk is further modulated by factors in other categories

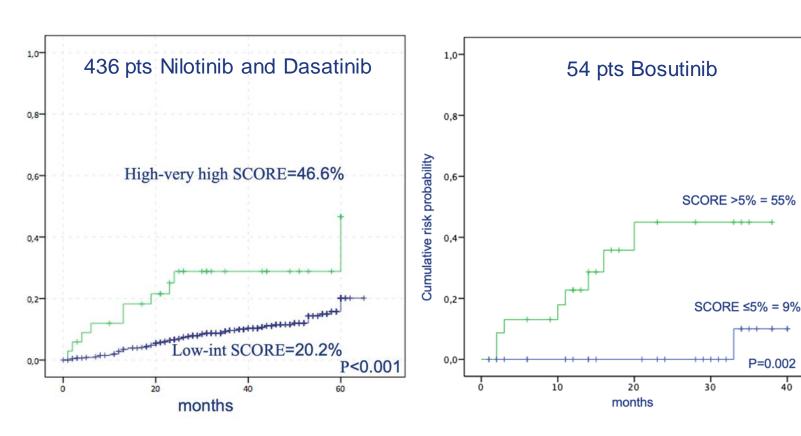
Very high risk

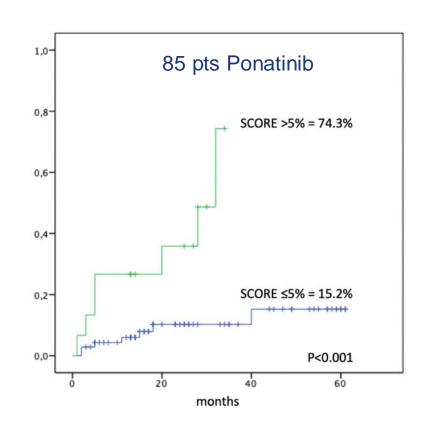
Subjects with any of the following:

- •Documented CVD by invasive or non-invasive testing (such as coronary angiography, nuclear imaging, stress echocardiography carotid plaque on ultrasound), previous myocardial infarction, ACS, coronary revascularization (PCI, CABG), and other arterial revascularization procedures, ischaemic stroke, peripheral artery disease (PAD).
- •Diabetes mellitus (type 1 or type 2) with one or more CV risk factors and/or target organ damage (such as microalbuminuria: 30–300 mg/24 h).
- •Severe chronic kidney disease (CKD) (GFR ,30 mL/min/1.73 m2).
- •A calculated SCORE ≥10%.

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Cardiovascular adverse event cumulative incidence according to the SCORE risk in CML patients





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SCORE2 working group and ESC Cardiovascular risk collaboration

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SCORE2 risk prediction algorithms

1. Model development

Sex-specific, competing riskadjusted risk models derived in 45 prospective cohorts in 13 countries (~680,000 individuals, and ~30,000 CVD events)

Recalibration to four risk regions in Europe using age-, sex-, and region-specific risk factor values and CVD incidence rates (derived using data on ~10.8 million individuals)

2. Model validation

External validation in 25 prospective cohorts in 15 European countries (~1.1 million individuals, and ~43,000 CVD events)

C-indices ranged from 0.67 (95% confidence interval [CI] 0.65-0.68) to 0.81 (95% CI 0.76-0.86)

SCORE2 risk prediction algorithms key features



Sex-specific risk prediction models



Estimate 10-year risk of fatal and non-fatal CVD



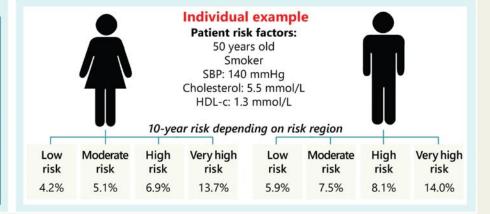
Calibrated to the most contemporary and representative CVD rates



Available for four distinct European risk regions



Can be rapidly updated to reflect future CVD incidence and risk factor profiles



Development process, key features and illustrative example of the SCORE2 risk prediction algorithms for European populations.

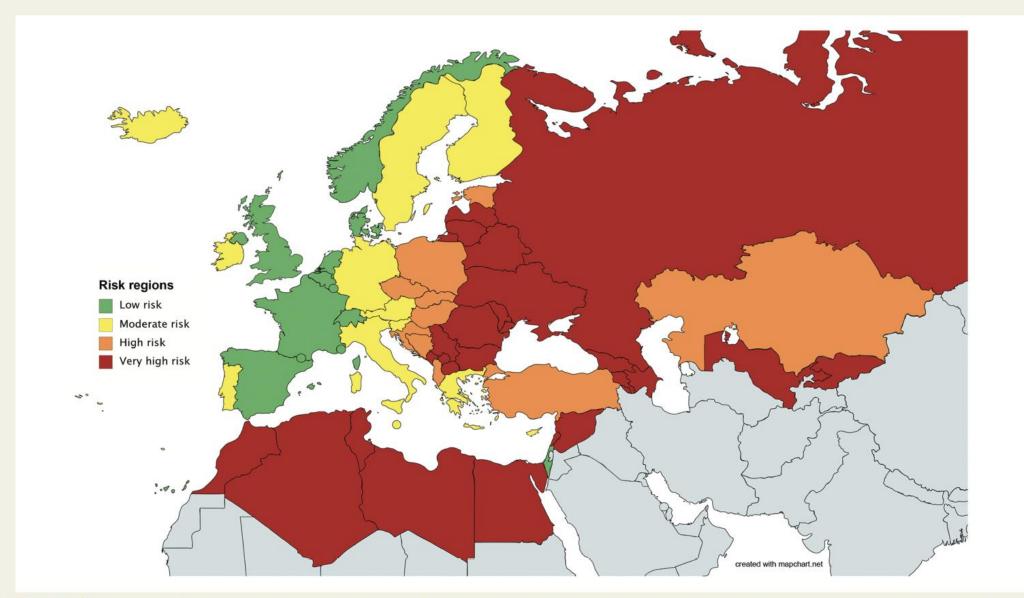


Figure 2 Risk regions based on standardised cardiovascular disease mortality rates. Countries were grouped into four risk regions according to their most recently reported WHO age- and sex-standardized overall CVD mortality rates per 100,000 population (ICD chapters 9, I00-I99). The four groupings were: low risk (<100 CVD deaths per 100,000), moderate risk (100 to <150 CVD deaths per 100,000), high risk (≥300 CVD deaths per 100,000).

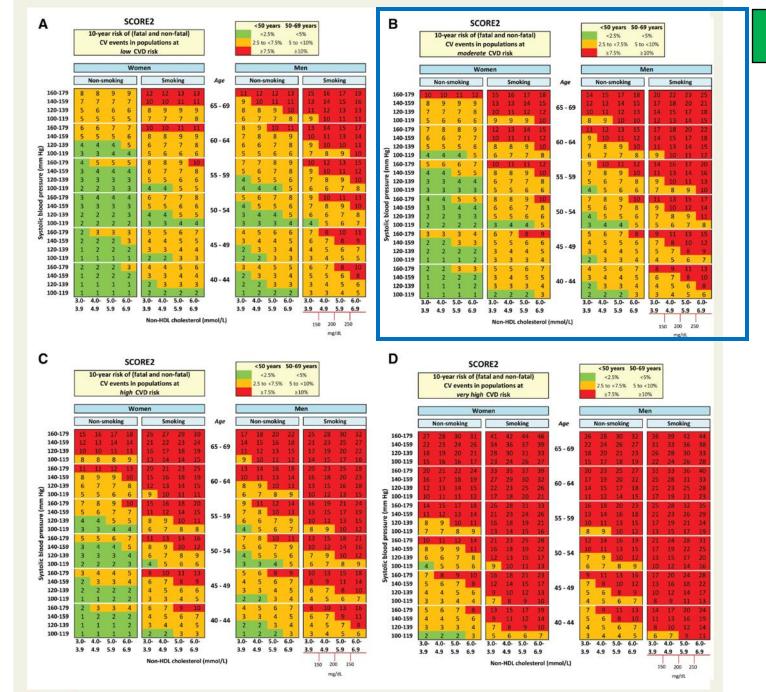


Figure 3 SCORE2 charts for estimation of CVD risk in four European risk regions.



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SCORE2-OP: estimating incident cardiovascular event risk in older persons in four geographical risk regions

1. Model derivation

Competing risk-adjusted, sex-specific coefficients were derived in ~28,500 participants from the prospective CONOR study

2. Model recalibration

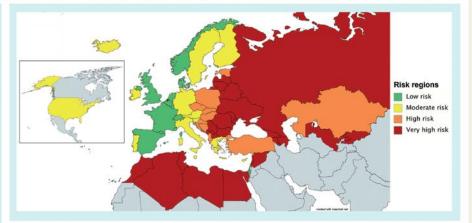
The model was recalibrated to four geographical risk regions using contemporary region-specific CVD event rates and risk factor levels

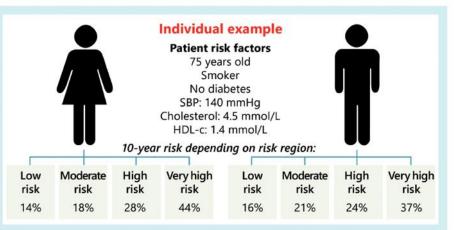
3. External validation

The model was exernally validated in ~340,000 individuals from different risk regions

4. Individualized predictions

An individual's risk factor levels can be applied to the two-dimensional SCORE2-OP charts or to an online calculator to estimate their 5- and 10-year CVD event risk according to their risk region of origin





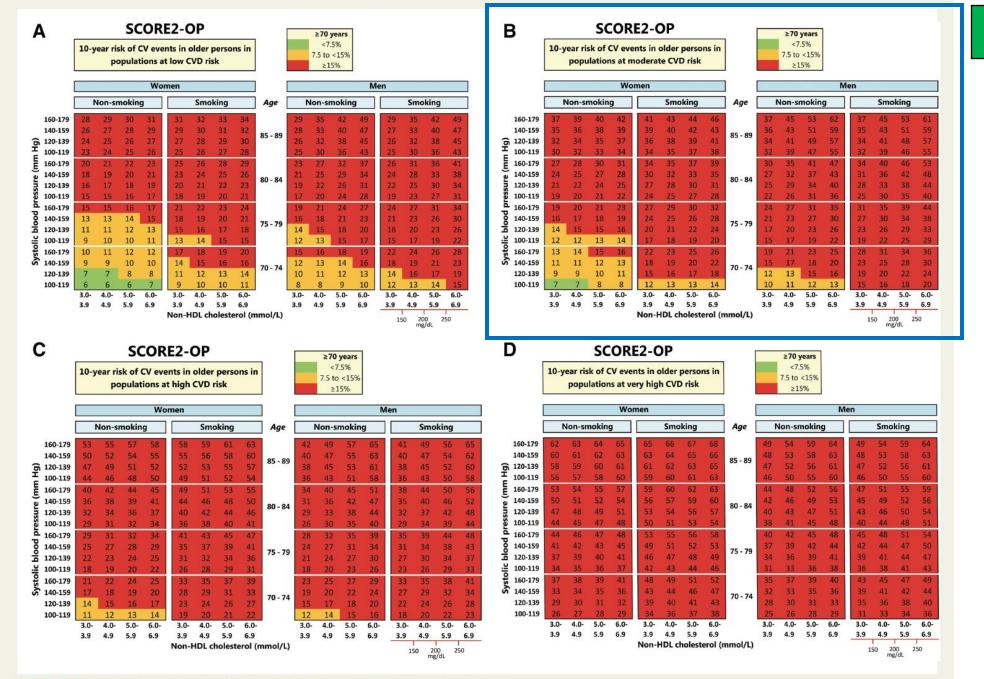


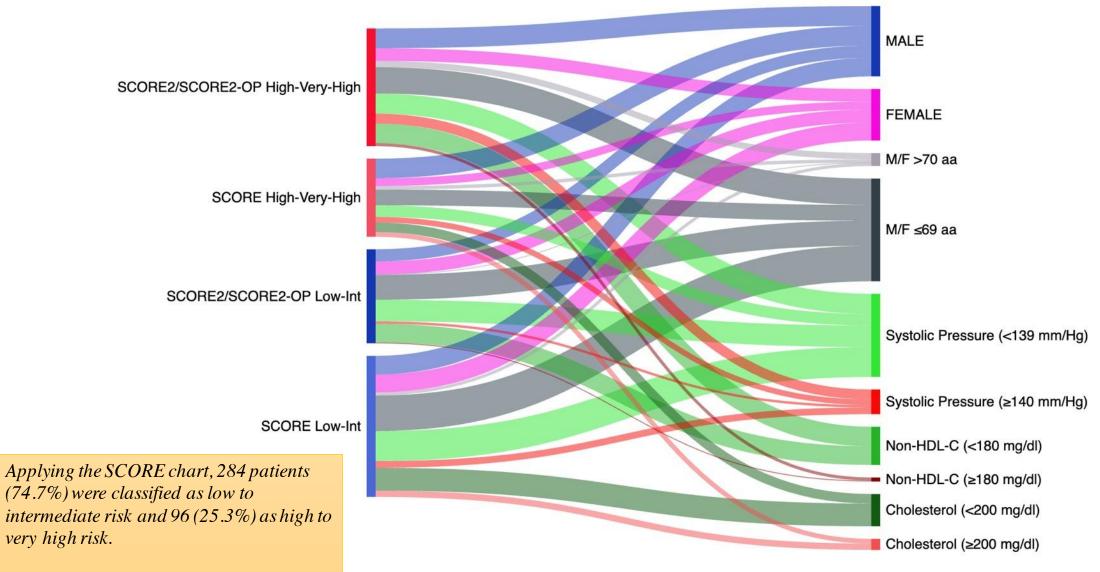
Figure 3 Regional risk charts of predicted 10-year cardiovascular disease risks.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE



The new Systematic Coronary Risk Evaluation (SCORE2 and SCORE2-OP) estimates the risk of arterial occlusive events in chronic myeloid leukemia patients treated with nilotinib or ponatinib

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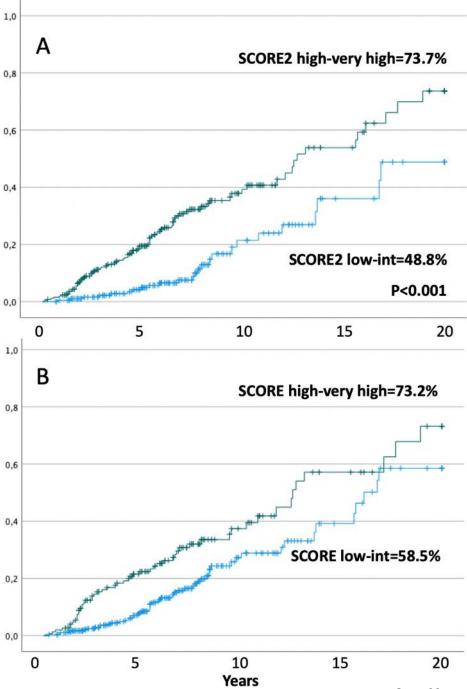
Sankey diagram showing the flow of 455 CML patients from the SCORE to the SCORE2/SCORE2-OP, following recalibration of the age- and sex-adjusted risk, based on the European area of cardiovascular risk, and considering the variable non-HDL-cholesterol instead of total cholesterol *Ann Hematol. 2024 Feb;103(2):427-436*

Applying the SCORE chart, 284 patients (74.7%) were classified as low to intermediate risk and 96 (25.3%) as high to very high risk.

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the SCORE2 risk chart had significant predictive value for patients receiving nilotinib and ponatinib treatment

The SCORE2/SCORE2-OP showed a better specificity in predicting AOEs than the SCORE in patients at low risk



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Table 4 Heart Failure Association-International Cardio-Oncology Society baseline cardiovascular toxicity risk stratification

stratification								
Baseline CV toxicity risk factors	Anthracycline chemotherapy	HER2-targeted therapies	VEGF inhibitors	BCR-ABL inhibitors	Multiple myeloma therapies	RAF and MEK inhibitors		
Previous CVD								
HF/cardiomyopathy/ CTRCD	VH	VH	VH	Н	VH	VH		
Severe VHD	Н	Н	-	-	-	Н		
MI or PCI or CABG	Н	Н	VH	-	-	Н		
Stable angina	Н	Н	VH	-	-	Н		
Arterial vascular disease	-	-	VH	VH	VH	-		
Abnormal ankle-brachial pressure index	-	-	-	Н	-	-		
PH	-	-	-	Н	-	-		
Arterial thrombosis with TKI	-	-	-	VH	-	-		
Venous thrombosis (DVT/PE)	-	-	Н	M2	VH	-		
Arrhythmia ^a	-	M2	M2	M2	M2	M1		
QTc ≥ 480 ms	-	_	Н	Н	-	-		
$450 \le QTc < 480 \text{ ms (men)};$ $460 \le QTc < 480 \text{ ms}$ (women)	-	-	M2	M2	-	-		
Prior PI CV toxicity	-	-	-	-	VH	-		
Prior IMiD CV toxicity	-	-	-	-	Н	-		
Cardiac imaging								
LVEF < 50%	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н		
LVEF 50-54%	M2	M2	M2	_	M2	M2		
LV hypertrophy	-	-	-	-	M1	-		
Cardiac amyloidosis	-	_	-	-	VH	-		
Cardiac biomarkers								
Elevated baseline cTn ^b	M1	M2	M1	_	M2	M2		
Elevated baseline NP ^b	M1	M2	M1	_	Н	M2		

Risk level:

Low risk

no risk factors OR one moderate1 risk factor;

Moderate risk (M)

moderate risk factors with a total of 2–4 points (Moderate 1 [M1]=1 point; Moderate [M2]=2 points);

High risk (H)

moderate risk factors with a total of ≥5 points OR any high-risk factor;

Very-high risk (VH)

any very-high risk factor.

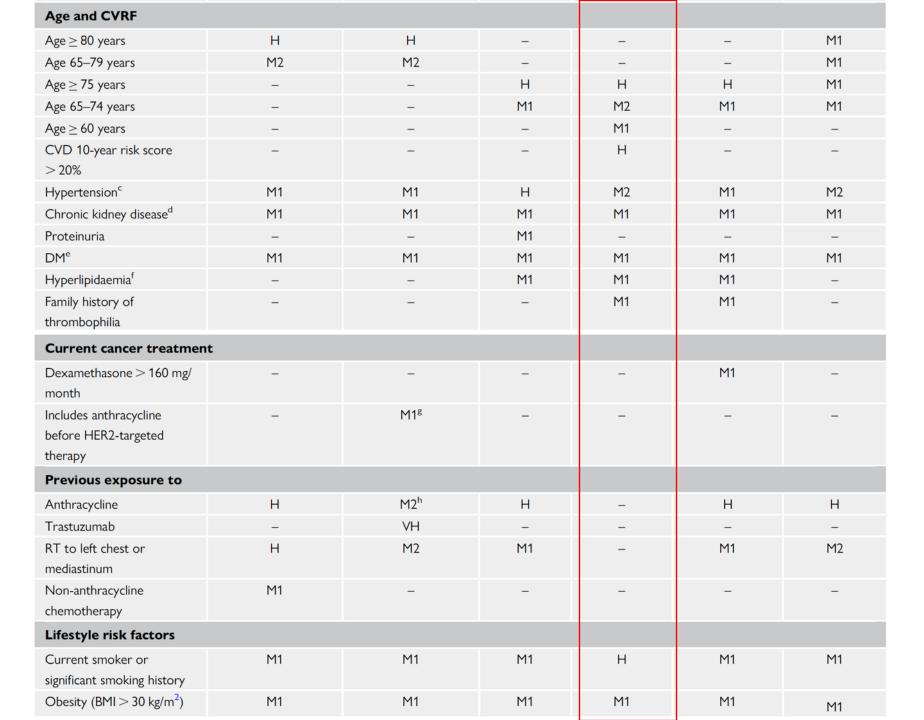
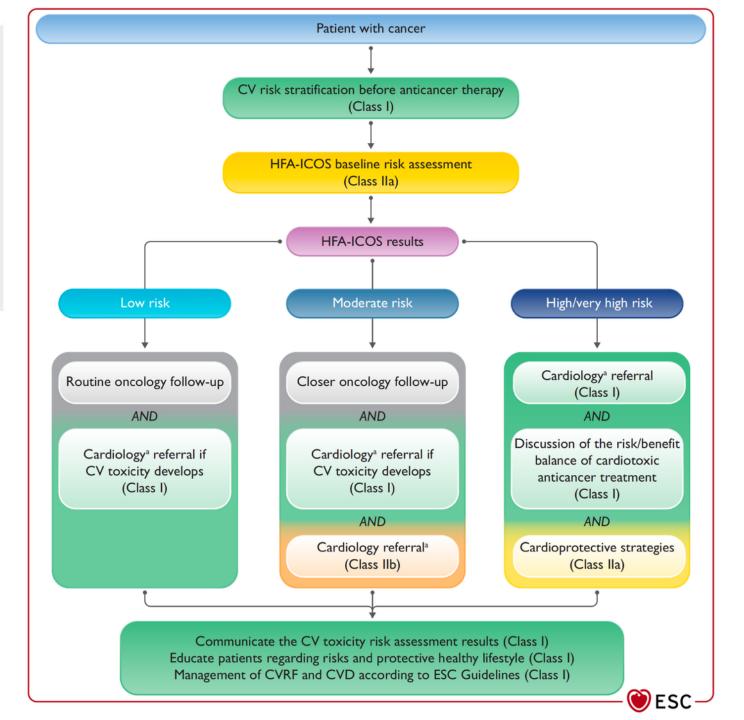
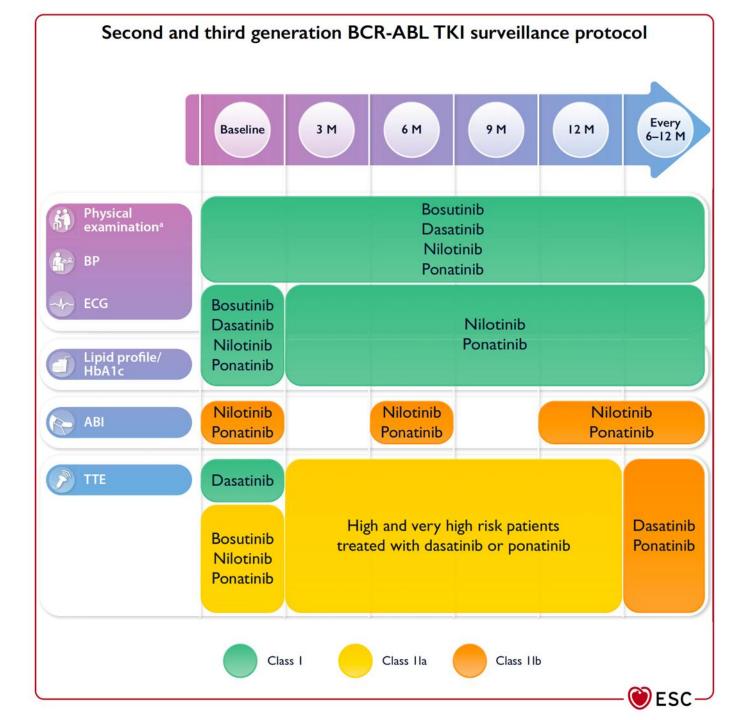


Table 1 Classes of recommendations

	Definition	Wording to use
Class I	Evidence and/or general agreement that a given treatment or procedure is beneficial, useful, effective.	Is recommended or is indicated
Class II	Conflicting evidence and/or a divergence efficacy of the given treatment or procedu	
Class IIa	Weight of evidence/opinion is in favour of usefulness/efficacy.	Should be considered
Class IIb	Usefulness/efficacy is less well established by evidence/opinion.	May be considered
Class III	Evidence or general agreement that the given treatment or procedure is not useful/effective, and in some cases may be harmful.	Is not recommended



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Recommendation Table 11 — Recommendations for baseline risk assessment and monitoring during second- and third-generation breakpoint cluster region-Abelson oncogene locus tyrosine kinase inhibitors

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b	
Baseline CV risk assessment ^c is recommended in patients who require second- or third-generation BCR-ABL TKI. ^{256,261}	1	С	
In patients treated with nilotinib or ponatinib, CV risk assessment ^c is recommended every 3 months during the first year and every 6–12 months thereafter. ^{256,261}	1	С	
QTc ^d measurement should be considered at baseline, at 2 and 4 weeks after starting nilotinib, and 2 weeks after any dose increase. ²⁵⁹	lla	С	
Baseline echocardiography should be considered in all patients before starting second- and third-generation BCR-ABL TKI.	lla	С	
Baseline echocardiography is recommended in patients scheduled to receive dasatinib.	1	С	
Echocardiography should be considered every 3 months during the first year in high- and very high-risk patients receiving dasatinib or ponatinib.	lla	С	
Echocardiography may be considered every 6–12 months in patients who require long-term (>12 months) ponatinib or dasatinib.	IIb	С	
Serial assessment of ankle brachial index may be considered to detect subclinical peripheral vascular disease.	IIb	С	© FSC 2022



How I monitor for cardiovascular toxicity

Cardiovascular evaluation before starting Nilotinib or Ponatinib

	Baseline	3 months	6 months	12 months	Every 6 months	Every 12 months
Interview	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	
Heart lung vessel exam	X	Х	X	x	Х	
Blood pressure	Х			Home BP monitori	ing	
Lipids Glycaemia HbA1c	x	x	x	х	Х	
ECG	Х		X	x	Х	
Arterial Echo Doppler	Х		X	x		х
Echocardiogram	Х			As clinically indicat	ted	
Exercise stress test or coronary CT	As clinically indicated			As clinically indicat	ted	



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