

# Loncastuximab Tesirine

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# Preclinical

- Variability in B cell surface antigen properties
  - *Differences in number of binding sites*

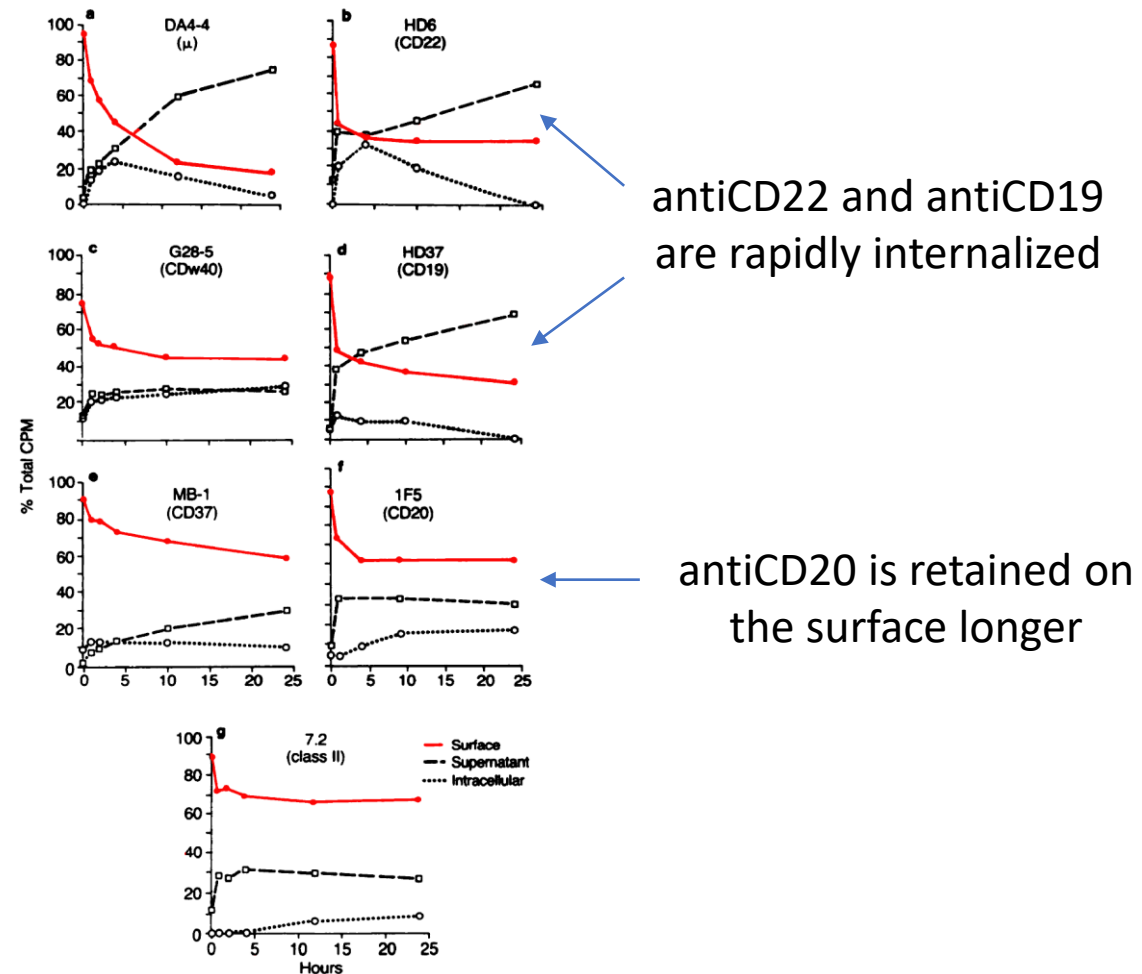
**Table 2** *Characterization of murine mAbs recognizing human B cell antigens*

| Antibody | Antigen <sup>a</sup> | Isotype | Binding sites/cell <sup>b</sup> | Avidity <sup>c</sup> (L/M) | Immunoreactivity (%) <sup>d</sup> |
|----------|----------------------|---------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| DA4-4    | $\mu$                | IgG1    | 330,772                         | $4.34 \times 10^9$         | 92                                |
| HD6      | CD22                 | IgG1    | 86,683                          | $2.88 \times 10^9$         | 69                                |
| G28-5    | CDw40                | IgG2a   | 86,835                          | $4.50 \times 10^9$         | 86                                |
| HD37     | CD19                 | IgG1    | 91,131                          | $0.30 \times 10^9$         | 76                                |
| MB-1     | CD37                 | IgG1    | 234,311                         | $2.99 \times 10^9$         | 92                                |
| 1F5      | CD20                 | IgG2a   | 306,097                         | $0.37 \times 10^9$         | 59                                |
| 7.2      | Class II             | IgG2b   | 393,163                         | $1.71 \times 10^9$         | 74                                |

<sup>a</sup> CD, cluster designation as assigned by the Third International Workshop on Monoclonal Antibodies (8).

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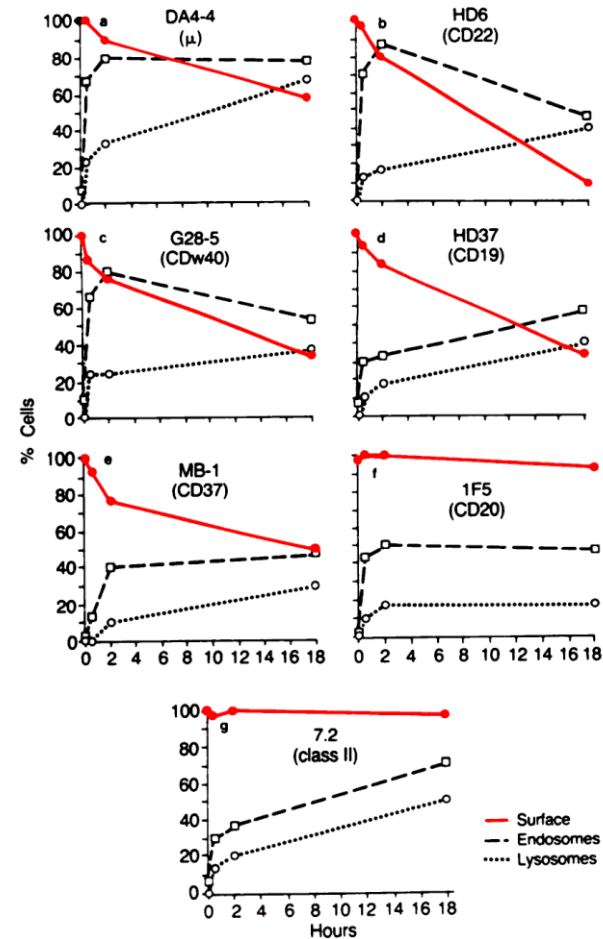
## Radioimmunoassays



Press OW, et al. Cancer Res, 1989 (colorized)

# Preclinical

- *Endocytosis rates* (immuno-electron microscopy)



antiCD22 and antiCD19 removed rapidly from surface

antiCD20 is retained on the surface longer

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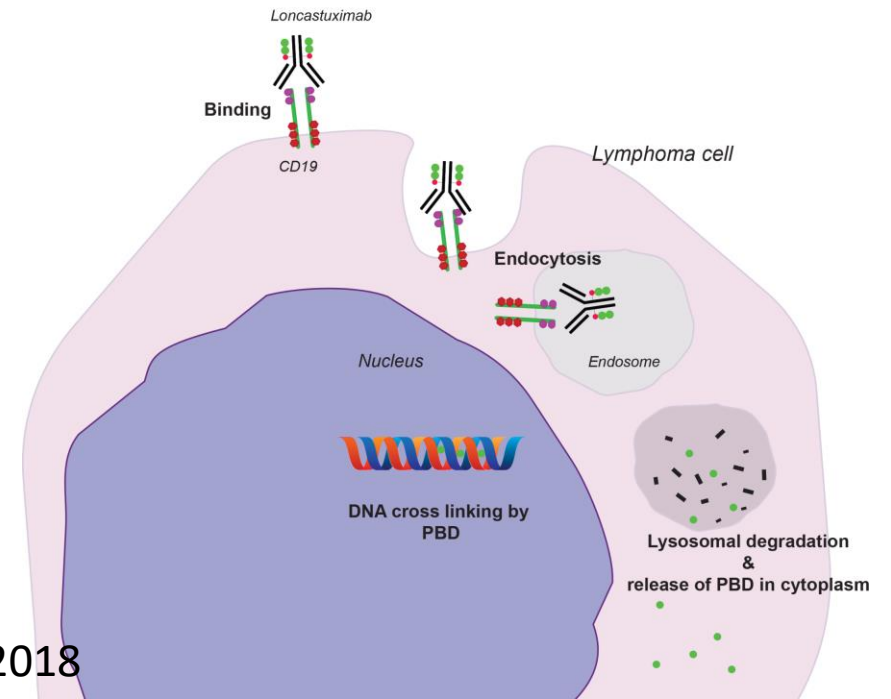
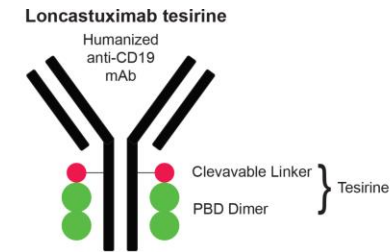
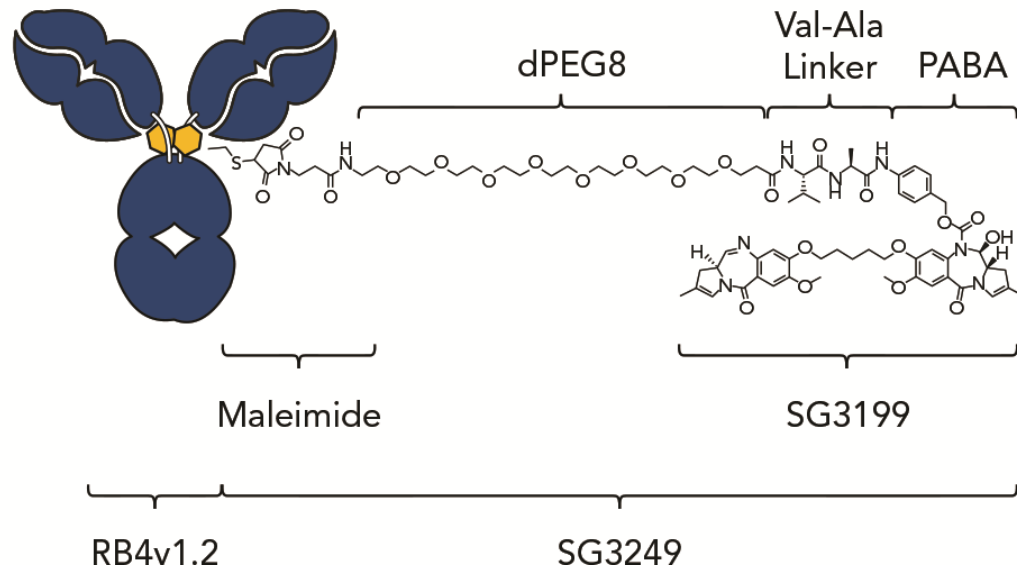
- CD19



# Loncastuximab tesirine

- AntiCD19 (B4) conjugated to pyrrolobenzodiazepine dimer

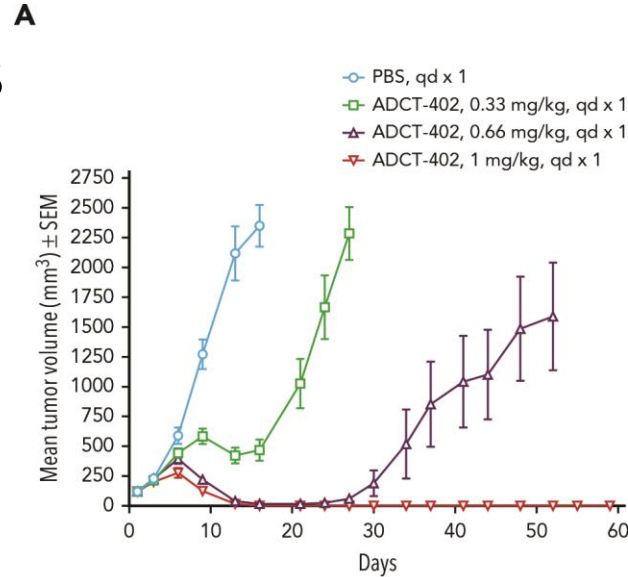
- PBD causes DNA minor groove interstrand crosslinking



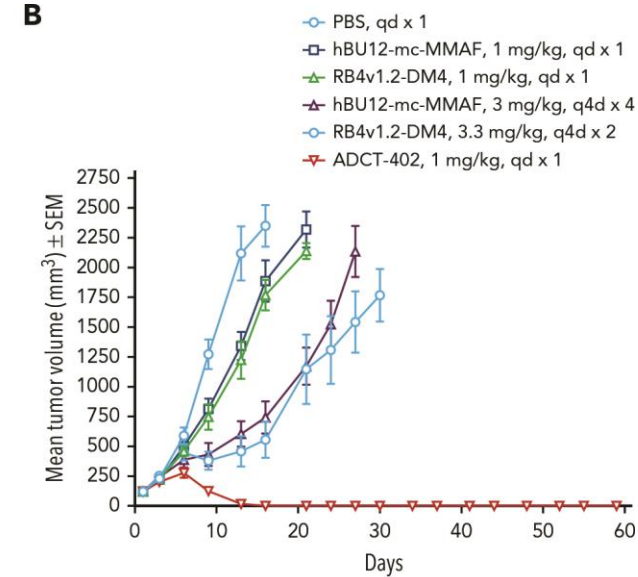
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- Mouse xenograft studies

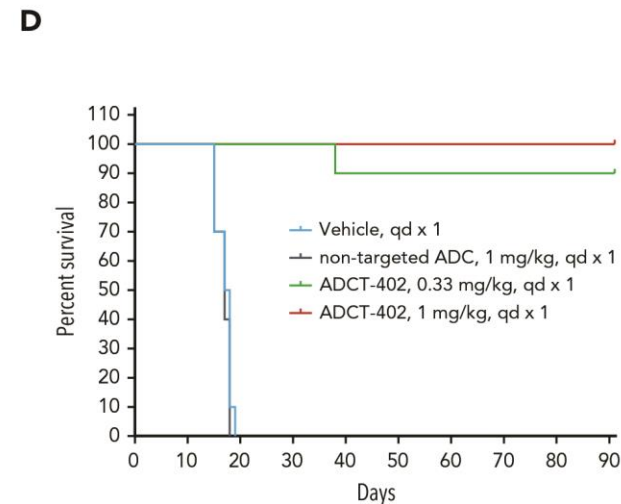
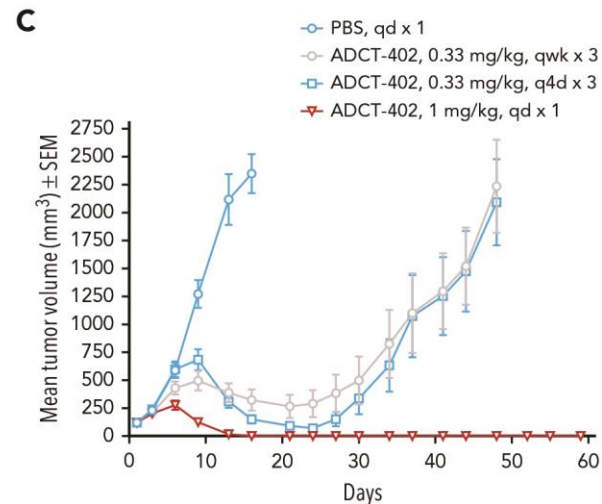
Dose escalation



Vs. other payloads



Single dose vs. fractions



Disseminated model



# Phase I trial

- **183 patients**
  - Relapsed refractory NHL
  - DLBCL (n = 139)
  - Median lines of therapy = 3 (1-13)
- Dose escalation (15-200) = 88 patients
- Dose expansion (120-150) = 95 patients
- 98.9 % of patients had TEAE
- No DLTs
- 77% had grade 3 or higher AE →

| Grade ≥ 3 TEAEs in > 5% of patients, n (%) |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| TEAE                                       | Total (n = 183) |
| Any  | 141 (77)        |
| Neutrophil count decreased                 | 71 (39.7)       |
| Platelet count decreased                   | 48 (26.7)       |
| GGT increased                              | 39 (21.3)       |
| Anemia                                     | 28 (15.3)       |
| Alkaline phosphatase increased             | 12 (6.6)        |
| Lymphocyte count decreased                 | 12 (6.6)        |
| Febrile neutropenia                        | 10 (5.5)        |
| Hypokalemia                                | 10 (5.5)        |

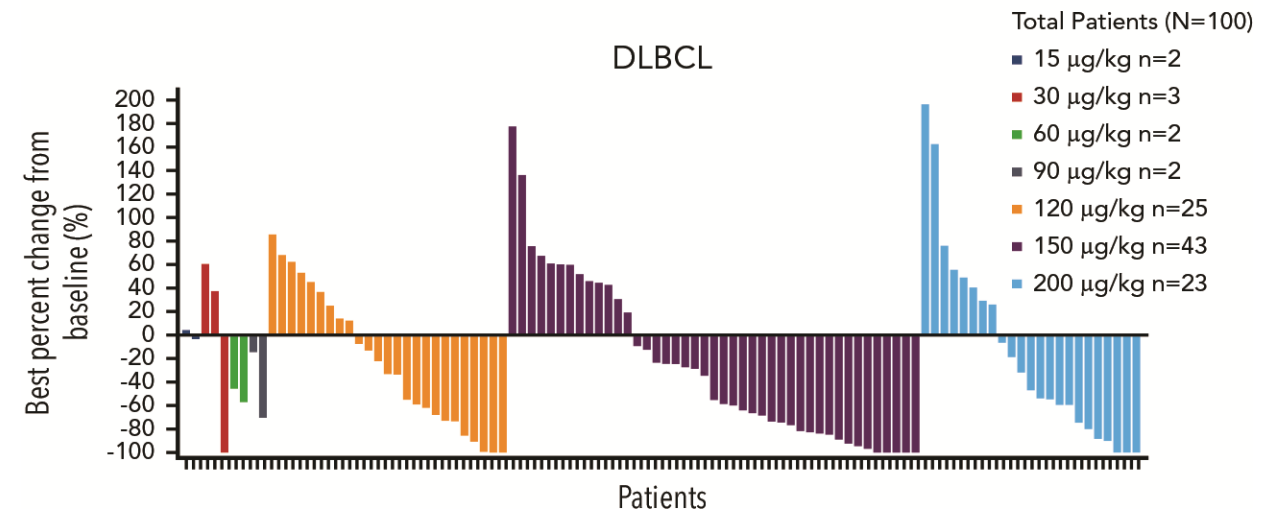
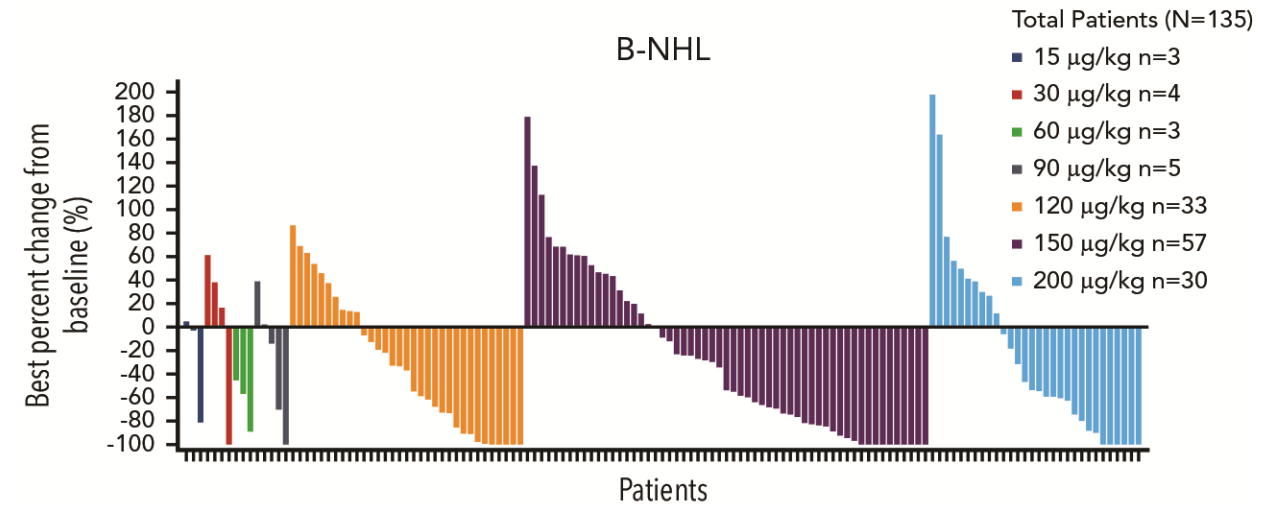
**Other relevant AEs: Edema (31.7%), rash (24.6%)**

# Phase I trial

Overall response rate = 45.6%  
 Complete response rate = 26.7%

|            | n (%)           |              |             |
|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
|            | DLBCL (n = 137) | MCL (n = 15) | FL (n = 14) |
| <b>ORR</b> | 58 (42.3)       | 7 (46.7)     | 11 (78.6)   |
| 95% CI     | 33.9-51.1       | 21.3-73.4    | 49.2-95.3   |
| CR         | 32 (23.4)       | 5 (33.3)     | 9 (64.3)    |
| PR         | 26 (19.0)       | 2 (13.3)     | 2 (14.3)    |

Median PFS = 3.1 months  
 Median OS = 8.3 months



# Toxicities and Management

- Elevated GGT
  - Usually isolated.
  - No identified hepatic toxicity markers.
  - Trial mandated discontinuation if delay more than approximately 6 weeks.
  - Premedication with steroids decreases incidence

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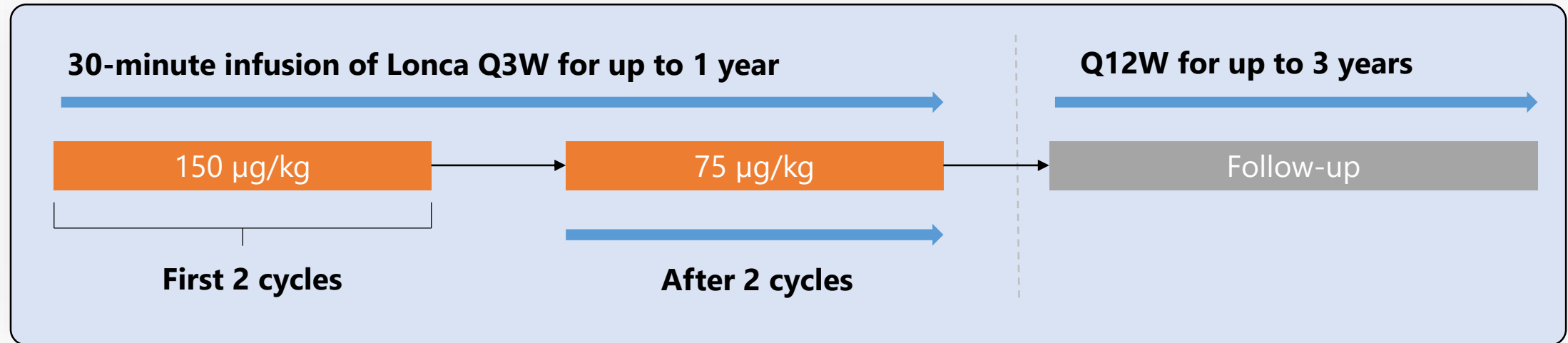
- Edema
  - Variable presentation  
(central, peripheral, effusions)
  - Discontinue / delay treatment
  - Diuretics
    - Spironolactone
    - I personally add loop diuretics

# Toxicities and Management

- Rash
  - More than one type
  - Photosensitivity
  - Telangiectasia
- Both are probably result of SG3199 effect



# Phase II trial (LOTIS-2)



## Eligibility

### DLBCL

- Including transformed indolent
- Including double/triple hit
- Including primary refractory

Relapsed/refractory to  $\geq 2$  lines of therapy

If prior CAR-T cell therapy, repeat biopsy with CD19+ required

### Excluded:

- Bulky disease ( $> 10$  cm)
- ASCT within 30 days, AlloHCT within 60 days
- CNS disease

# Phase II Results

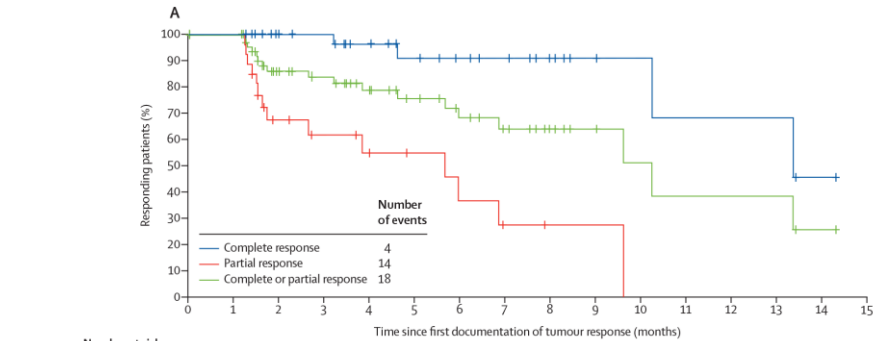
| Patients n = 145           |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Median age                 | 66 years (56 – 71) |
| Median previous therapies  | 3 (2 – 7)          |
| Lymphoma                   |                    |
| DLBCL, NOS                 | 88%                |
| HGBCL                      | 8%                 |
| PMBCL                      | 5%                 |
| Double hit                 | 10%                |
| Transformed                | 20%                |
| Primary refractory         | 20%                |
| Refractory to last therapy | 58%                |

# Phase II Results

| As-treated population (n=145)                        |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| Overall response rate (complete or partial response) | 70 (48.3% [39.9–56.7]) |
| Complete response rate                               | 35 (24.1% [17.4–31.9]) |
| Complete response                                    | 35 (24%)               |
| Partial response                                     | 35 (24%)               |
| Stable disease                                       | 22 (15%)               |
| Progressive disease                                  | 30 (21%)               |
| Not evaluable*                                       | 23 (16%)               |

Data are n (% [95% CI]) or n (%). Response was assessed by central independent review. A best overall response of stable disease could only be achieved after the patient was on the study for a minimum of 35 days following the first dose of loncastuximab tesirine. Any disease assessment indicating stable disease before this timepoint was considered not evaluable for response if no assessment after this timepoint was available. \*Patients without any scan available to the independent reviewer or patients whose scan was determined to be not evaluable by the independent reviewer.

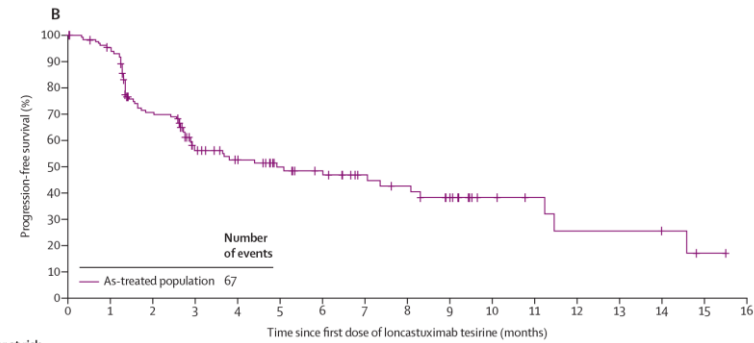
**Table 2: Best overall responses and overall response rate**



**Number at risk (number censored)**

|                              |        |        |         |         |         |         |         |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Complete response            | 35 (0) | 34 (1) | 28 (7)  | 26 (9)  | 21 (13) | 17 (16) | 14 (19) | 12 (21) | 8 (25) | 5 (28) | 4 (29) | 3 (29) | 3 (29) | 3 (29) | 1 (30) | 0 (31) |
| Partial response             | 35 (0) | 28 (7) | 13 (14) | 10 (16) | 8 (17)  | 6 (19)  | 4 (19)  | 2 (20)  | 1 (20) | 1 (21) | 0 (21) | 0 (21) | 0 (21) | 0 (21) | 0 (21) | 0 (21) |
| Complete or partial response | 70 (0) | 62 (8) | 41 (21) | 36 (25) | 29 (30) | 23 (35) | 18 (38) | 14 (41) | 9 (46) | 6 (49) | 4 (50) | 3 (50) | 3 (50) | 3 (50) | 1 (51) | 0 (52) |

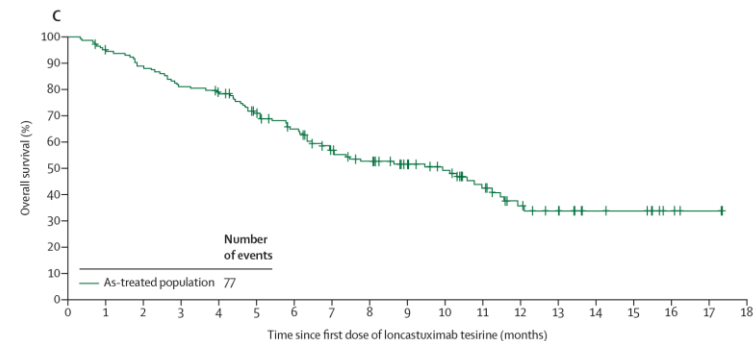
**DoR:  
10.3 months  
(13.4 for CR)**



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|-----------------------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| As-treated population | 145 (0) | 124 (15) | 85 (23) | 55 (37) | 44 (45) | 33 (54) | 29 (57) | 23 (62) | 20 (63) | 16 (65) | 8 (73) | 6 (75) | 4 (0) | 4 (75) | 3 (76) | 1 (77) | 0 (78) |
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**PFS:  
4.9 months**



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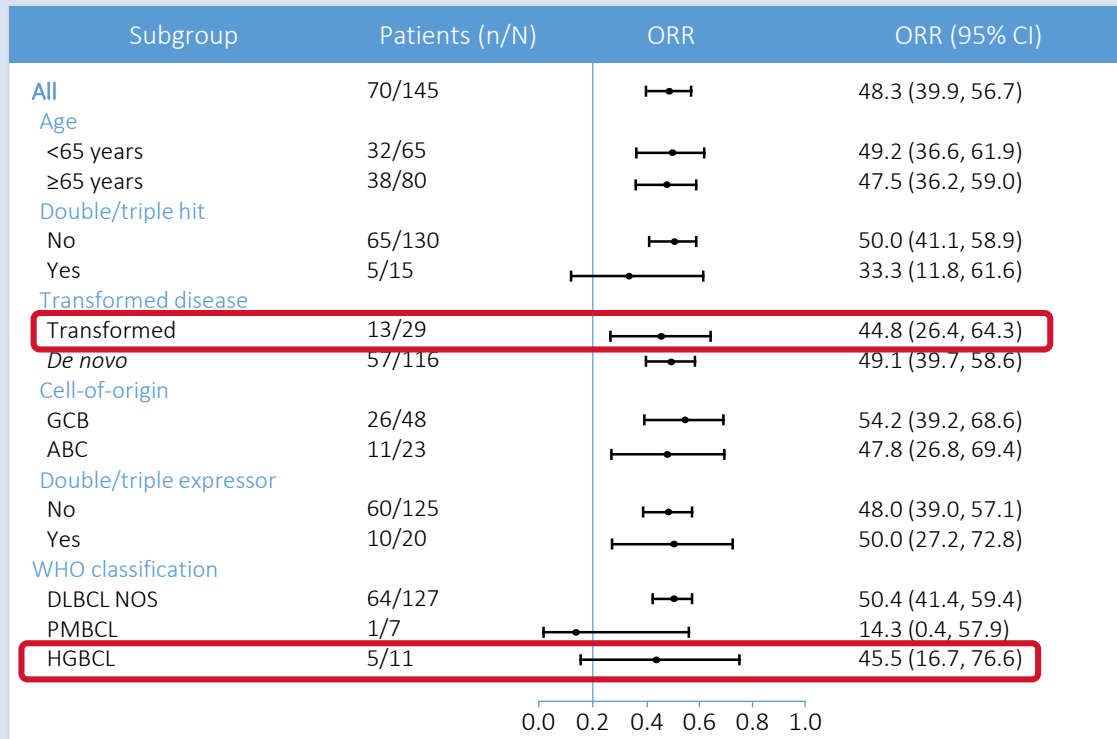
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| As-treated population | 145 (0) | 136 (2) | 127 (2) | 116 (2) | 111 (4) | 95 (9) | 84 (12) | 68 (18) | 60 (21) | 49 (31) | 41 (37) | 29 (44) | 19 (50) | 15 (53) | 9 (59) | 8 (60) | 4 (64) | 2 (66) | 0 (68) |
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**OS:  
9.9 months**

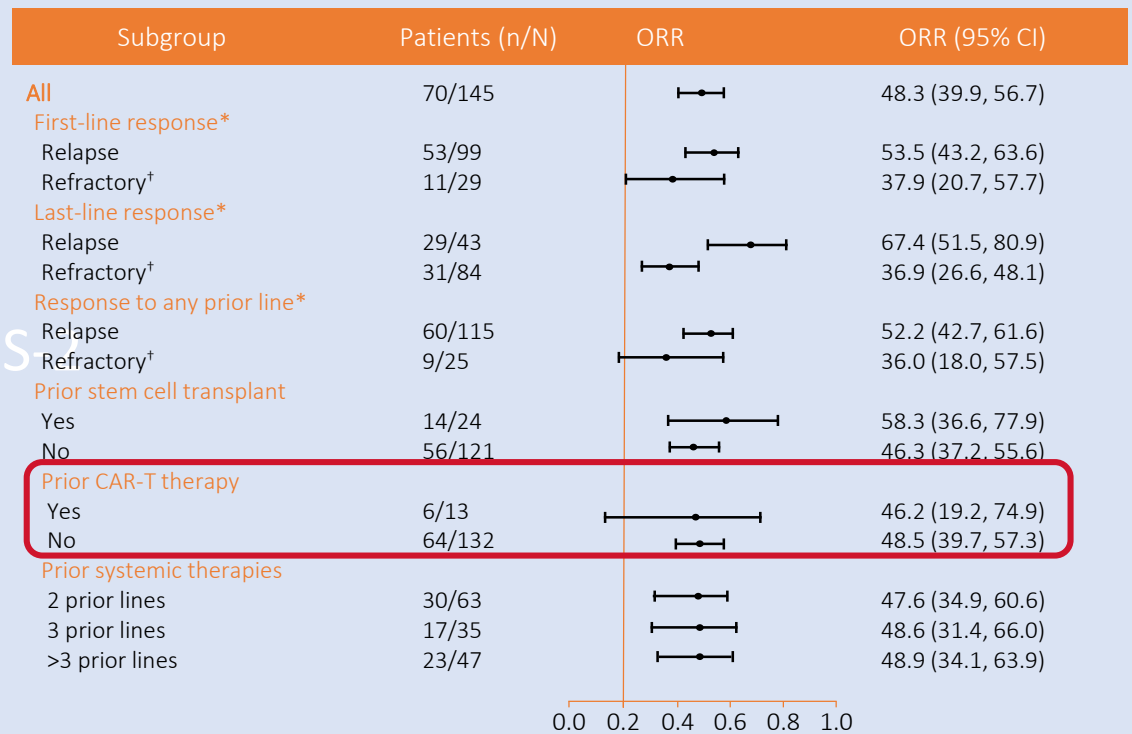


# Phase II Subgroup analysis

## High-risk subgroup analysis of ORR



OTIS



# Phase II **Safety**

TEAEs in  $\geq 20\%$  of the all-treated population

| PREFERRED TERM                 | PATIENTS N (%)      |                     |                  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|                                | <65 YEARS<br>(N=65) | $\geq 65$<br>(N=80) | TOTAL<br>(N=145) |
| <b>Patients with any TEAE</b>  | 65 (100)            | 78 (97.5)           | 143 (98.6)       |
| GGT increased                  | 33 (50.8)           | 27 (33.8)           | 60 (41.4)        |
| Neutropenia                    | 34 (52.3)           | 24 (30.0)           | 58 (40.0)        |
| Thrombocytopenia               | 28 (43.1)           | 20 (25.0)           | 48 (33.1)        |
| Fatigue                        | 21 (32.3)           | 19 (23.8)           | 40 (27.6)        |
| Anemia                         | 23 (35.4)           | 15 (18.8)           | 38 (26.2)        |
| Nausea                         | 17 (26.2)           | 17 (21.3)           | 34 (23.4)        |
| Cough                          | 19 (29.2)           | 13 (16.3)           | 32 (22.1)        |
| Alkaline phosphatase increased | 18 (27.7)           | 11 (13.8)           | 29 (20.0)        |
| Peripheral edema               | 11 (16.9)           | 18 (22.5)           | 29 (20.0)        |

**Most common ( $\geq 10\%$ ) grade  $\geq 3$  TEAEs were:**

- Neutropenia (38 patients; 26.2%)
- Thrombocytopenia (26 patients; 17.9%)
- GGT increased (25 patients; 17.2%)
- Anemia (15 patients; 10.3%)

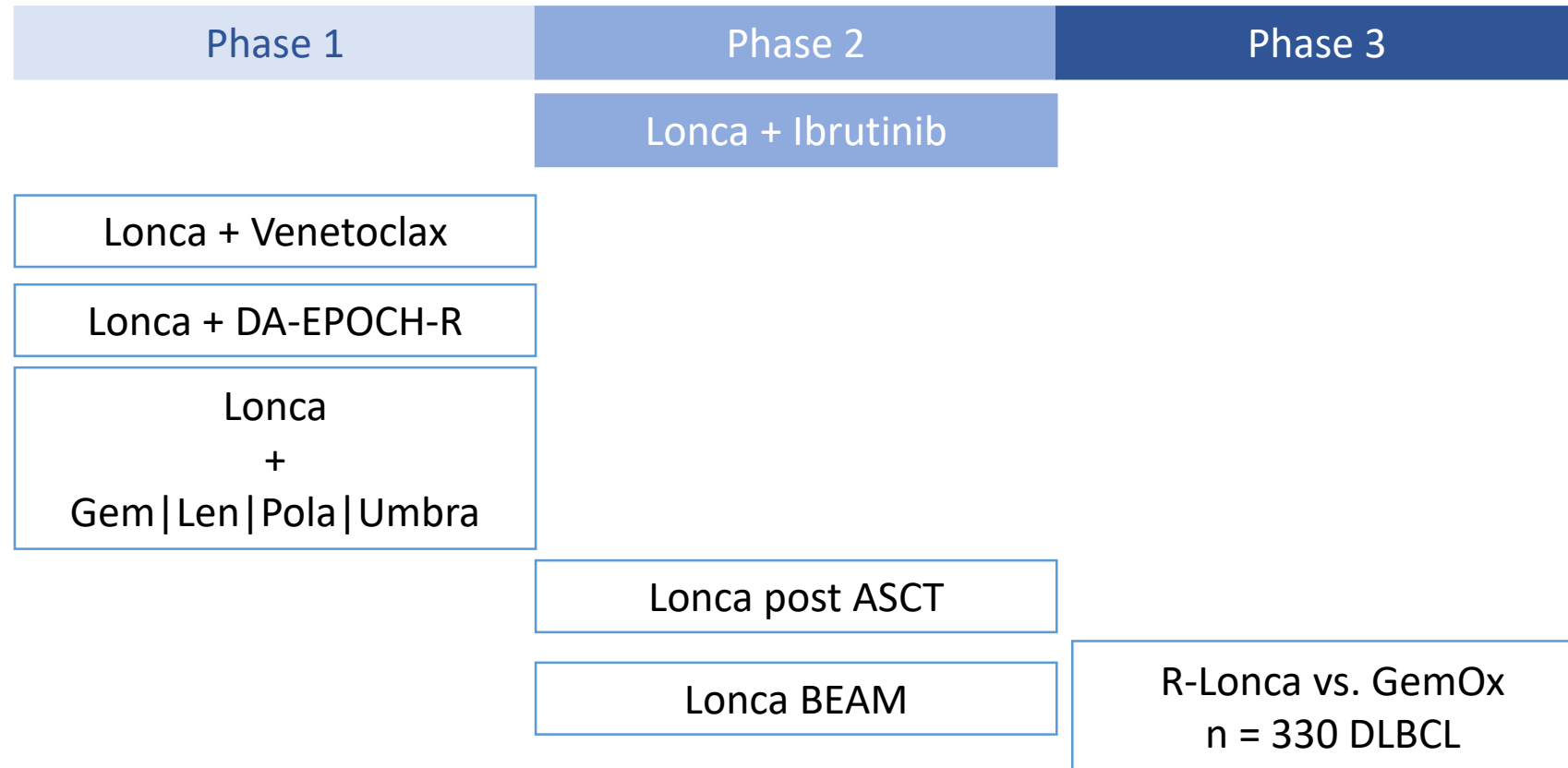
**Treatment-related TEAEs leading to treatment discontinuation occurred in 26 (17.9%) patients, most commonly ( $\geq 2\%$ ):**

- GGT increased (16 patients; 11.0%)
- Peripheral edema (4 patients; 2.8%)
- Localized edema (3 patients; 2.1%)

# CAR-T post lonca

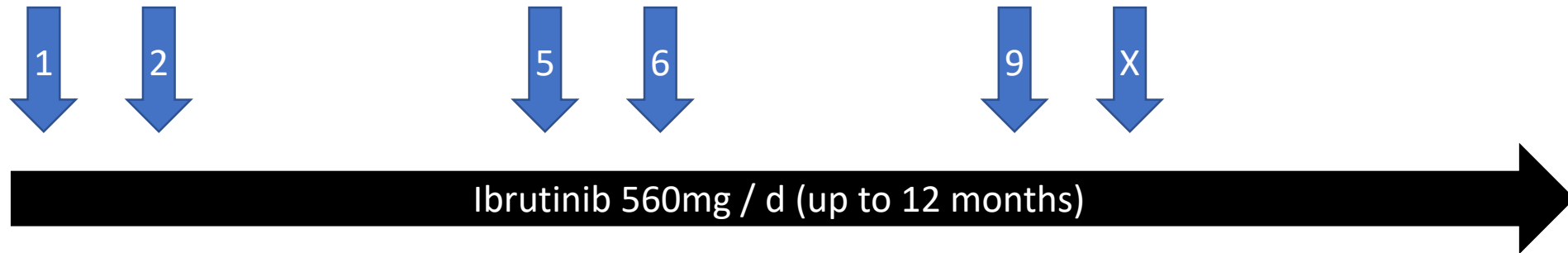
- 14 patients
  - CD19 expression
    - Positive = 10 (71%)
    - Not checked 4 (29%)
  - Response to CAR-T
    - CR = 6 (43%)
    - PR = 1 (7%)
    - PD = 7 (50%)

# Other trials



# Loncastuximab + Ibrutinib

- Relapsed refractory DLBCL and MCL



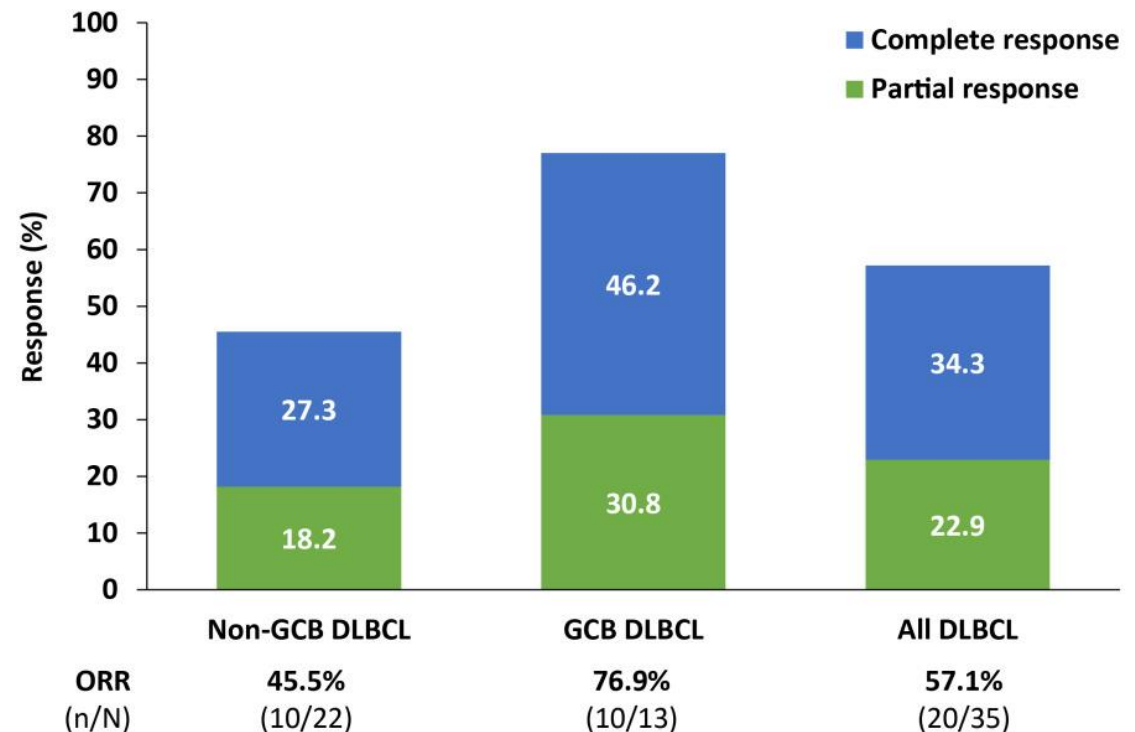
# Loncastuximab + Ibrutinib

- 35 patients enrolled
  - DLBCL
    - Non GCB = 13
    - GCB = 22
  - Median age = 72 years
  - Previous therapies = 3 (1-6)
- Median treatments
  - Ibrutinib = 10 cycles
  - Lonca = 4 cycles

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Figure 1. ORR in the overall DLBCL cohort and by cell of origin (planned interim analysis set)



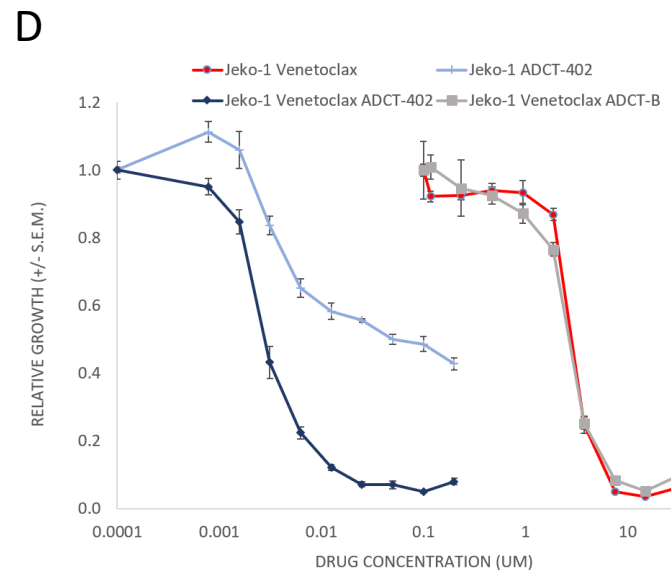
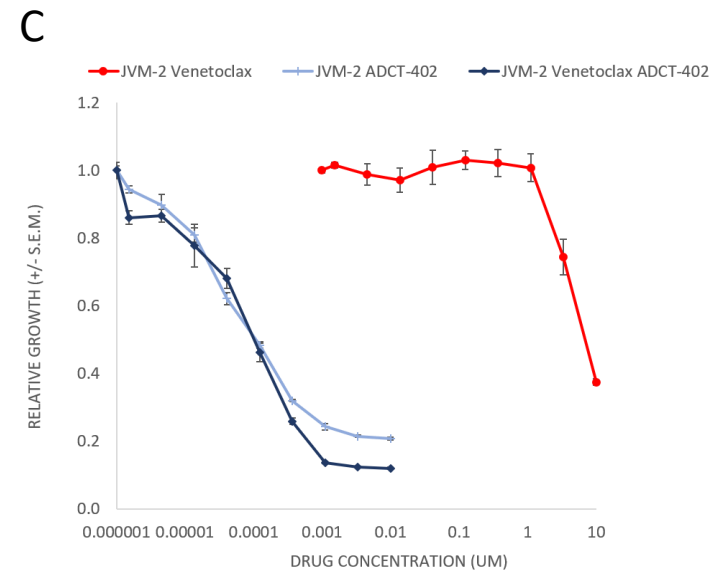
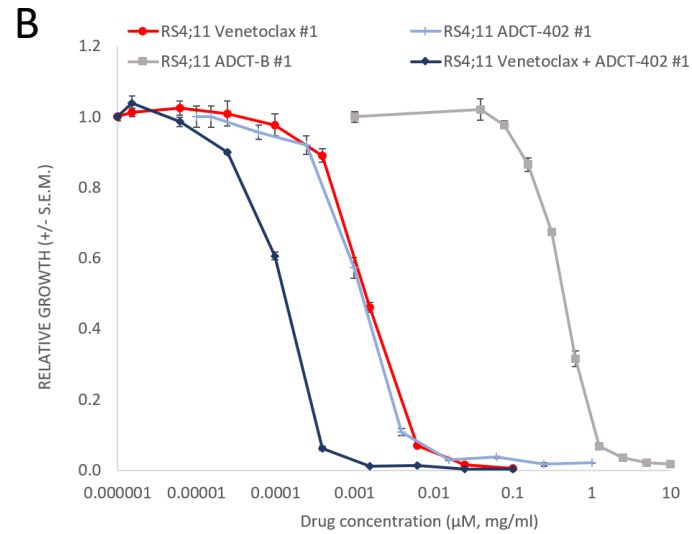
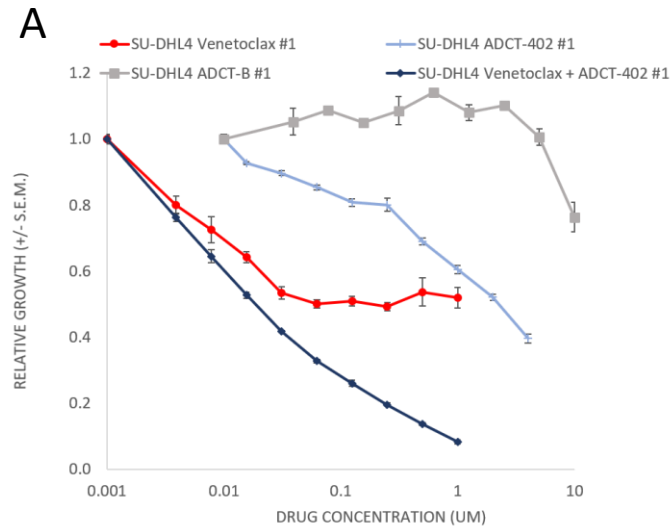
DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; GCB, germinal center B-cell like; ORR, overall response rate

# Loncastuximab + Ibrutinib

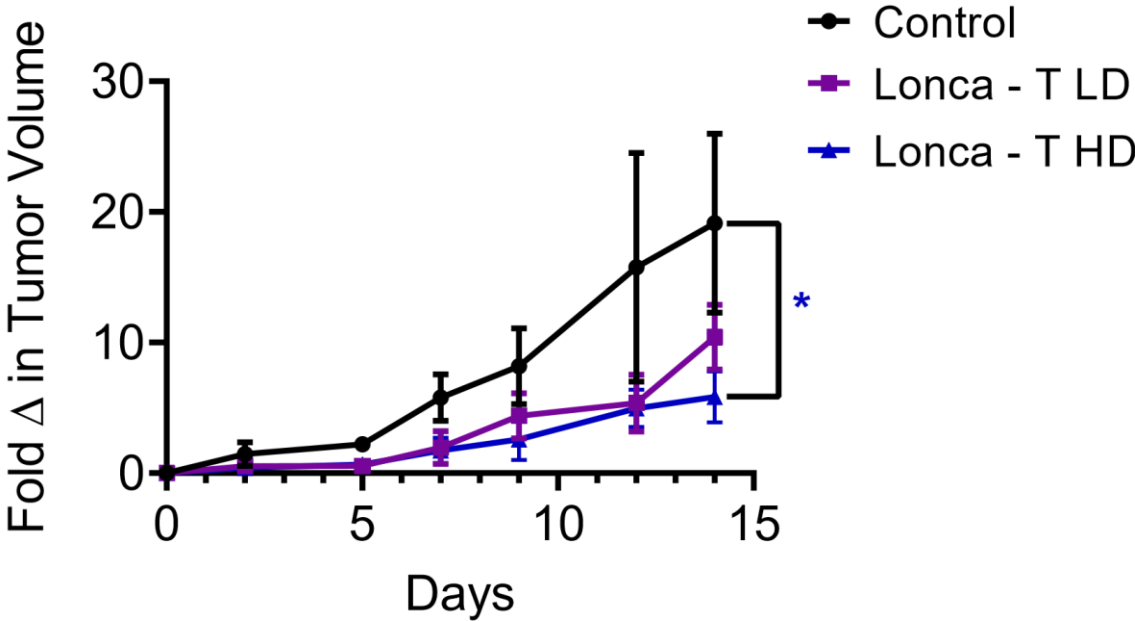
- 32 patients experienced an adverse event
- 16 patients had an adverse event of grade  $\geq 3$ 
  - Neutropenia (20%)
  - Thrombocytopenia (11%)
- 17 patients had dose delays / reductions due to TEAEs
- 8 patients had discontinuation due to TEAEs



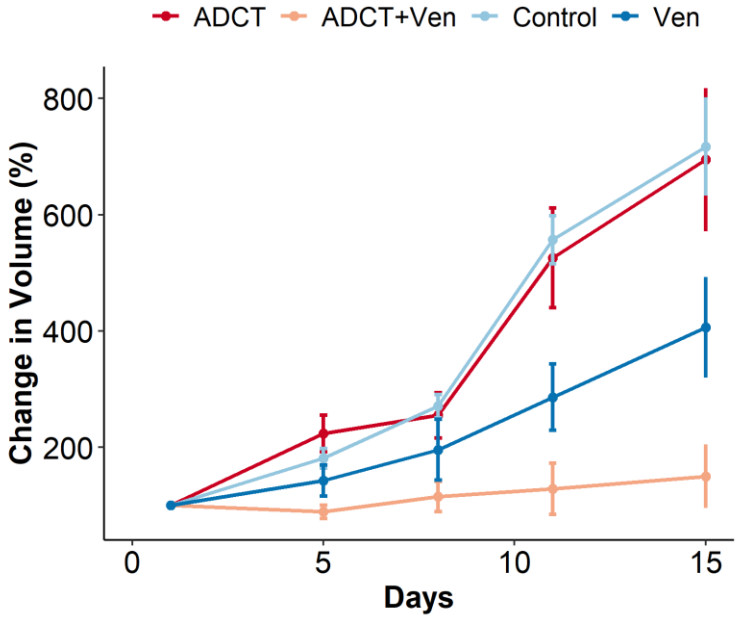
# Loncastuximab + Venetoclax



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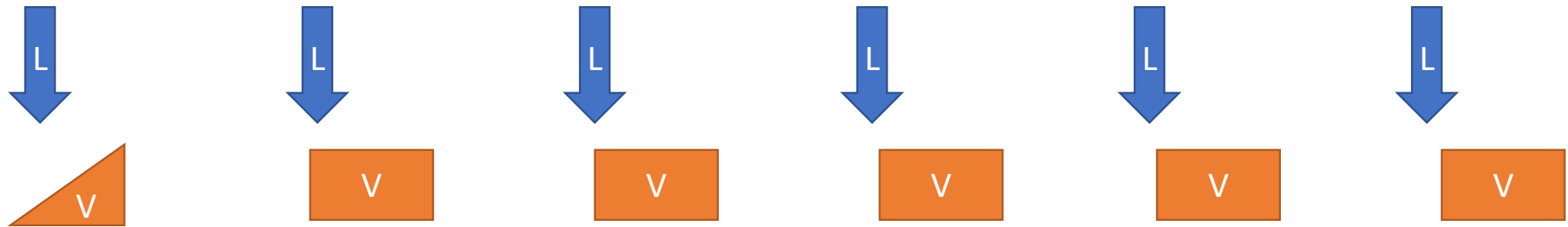
JEKO1 Xenografts  
 Low dose lonca 0.2mg/kg  
 High dose lonca 0.5mg/kg



NSG Mice  
 JEKO Subcutaneous tumors  
 Venetoclax gavage daily  
 ADCT 1mg/kg dose x 1

# Loncastuximab + Venetoclax

- Phase I trial



- Dose levels

- Lonca 50, 100 and 150mg dose level
- Venetoclax 400, 600 and 800mg

# Conclusions

- Loncastuximab
  - First approved ADC with PBD payload
  - AntiCD19 with single agent activity
    - Consistent throughout risk groups
  - Specific safety profile
    - Discontinuation rates comparable to other approved agents in R/R setting
  - Combination studies ongoing
- Questions remaining
  - Role in antiCD19 sequence: preliminary data
  - Clinical performance of combinations

