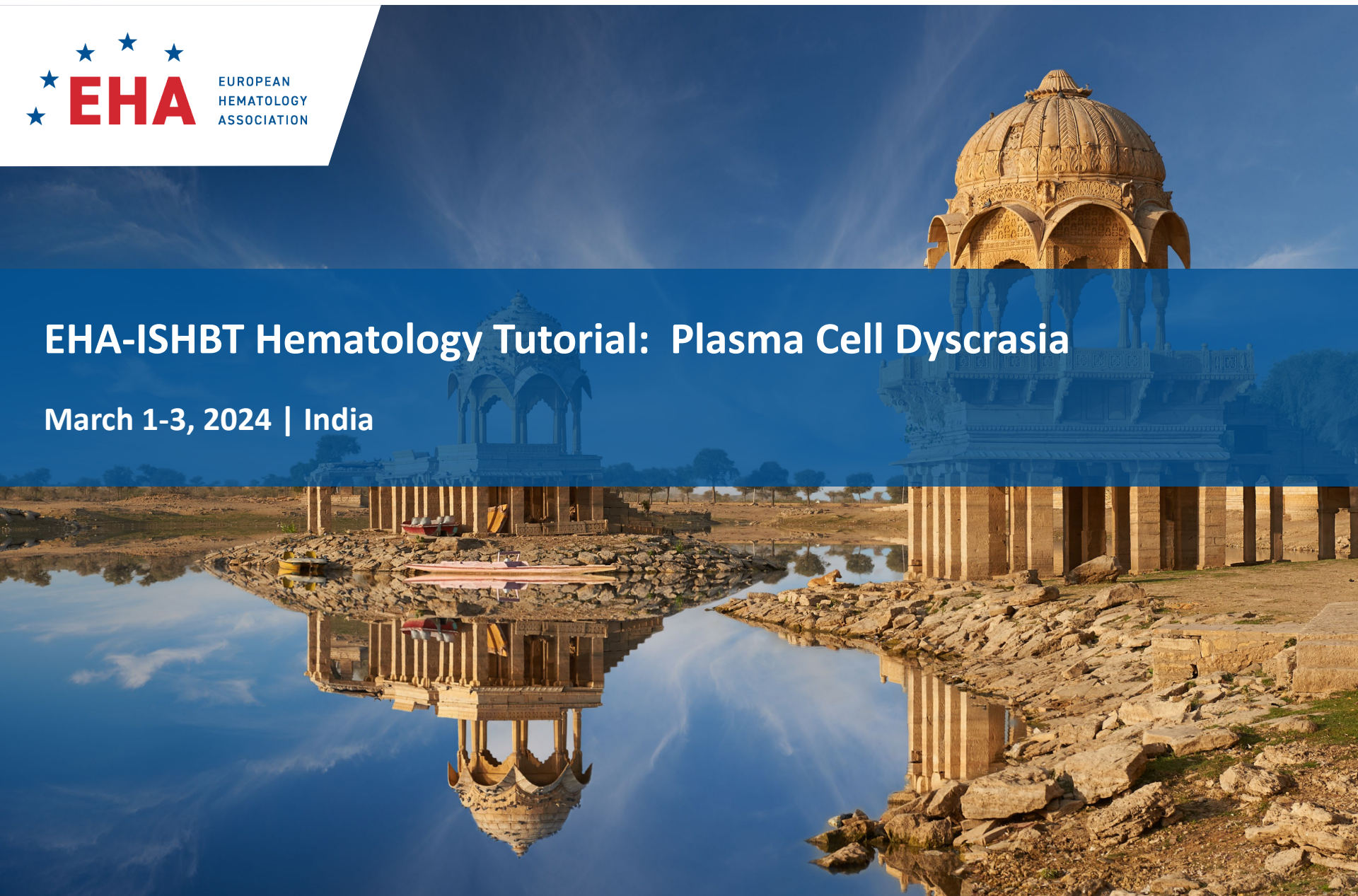


# EHA-ISHBT Hematology Tutorial: Plasma Cell Dyscrasia

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# Plasma Cell Dyscrasia

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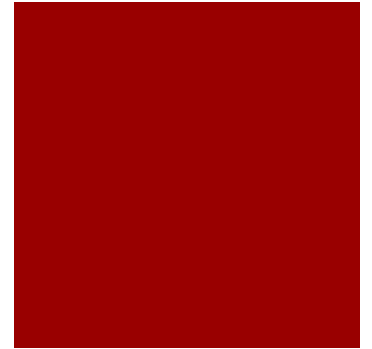
# Learning objectives

- The spectrum of monoclonal gamopathies
- What is new in the staging of Multiple Myeloma
- Myeloma treatment at diagnosis and relapse: an uptodate overview
- AL Amyloidosis: differential diagnosis
- Importance of staging
- Response assessment in AL amyloidosis
- Contemporary treatment of AL Amyloidosis



# disclosures

- Speakers bureau: Amgen, Janssen, Sanofi, BMS, Pfizer
- Advisory Board: Amgen, GSK, Janssen, Takeda, Menarini, Pfizer



# Monoclonal gamopathies

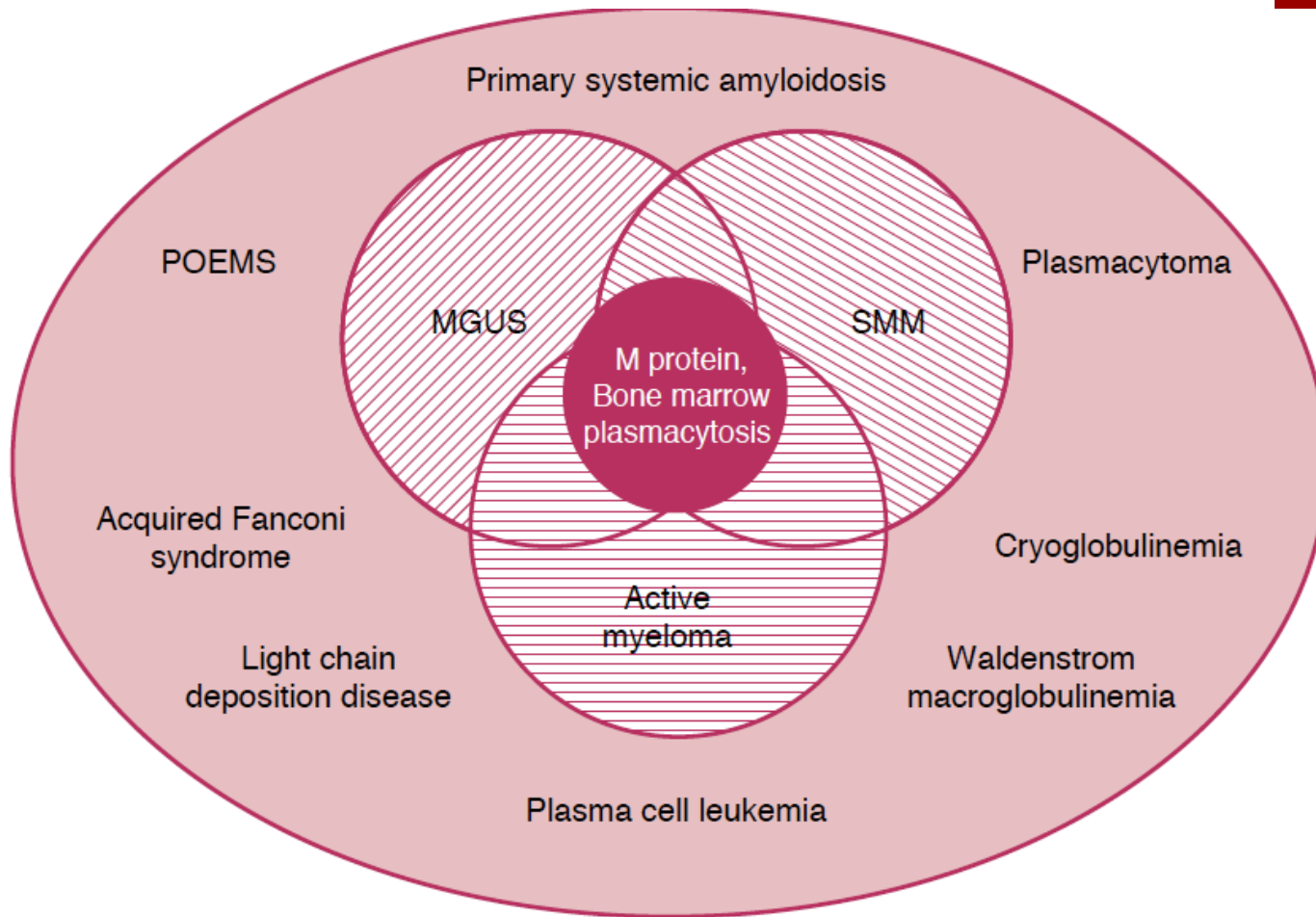
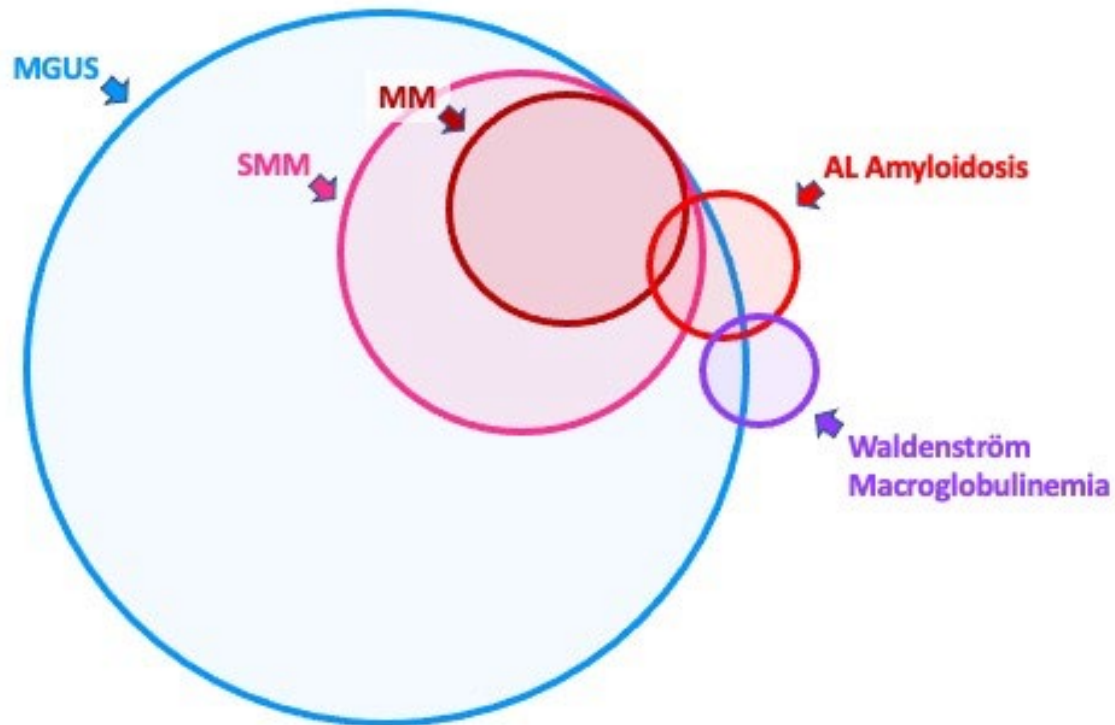


Figure 3. Differential diagnosis for multiple myeloma.

# MONOCLONAL GAMMOPATHY OF SIGNIFICANCE



## Incidence:

**MGUS:** 120 / 100 000 (above 50 years) <sup>4</sup>

**MM:** 4-7 / 100 000 <sup>5</sup>

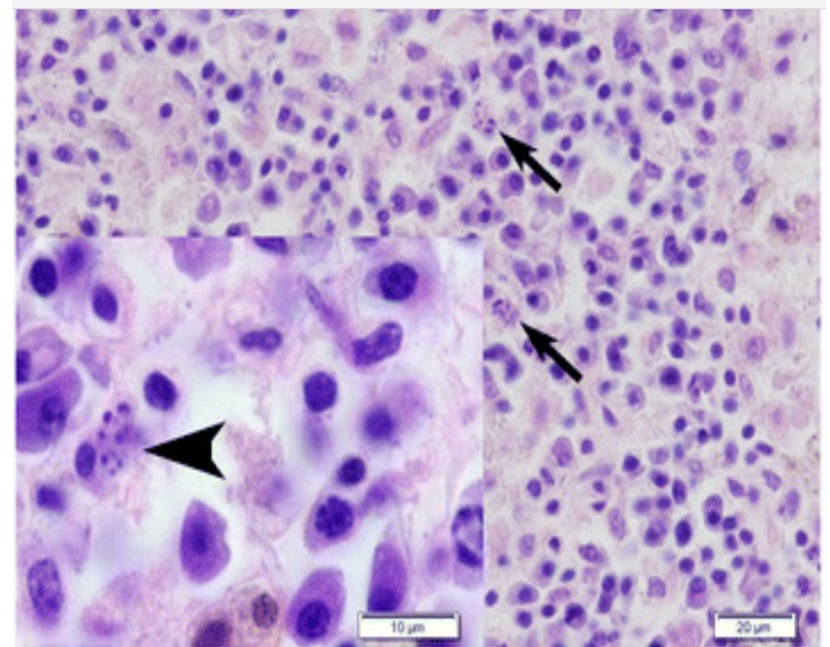
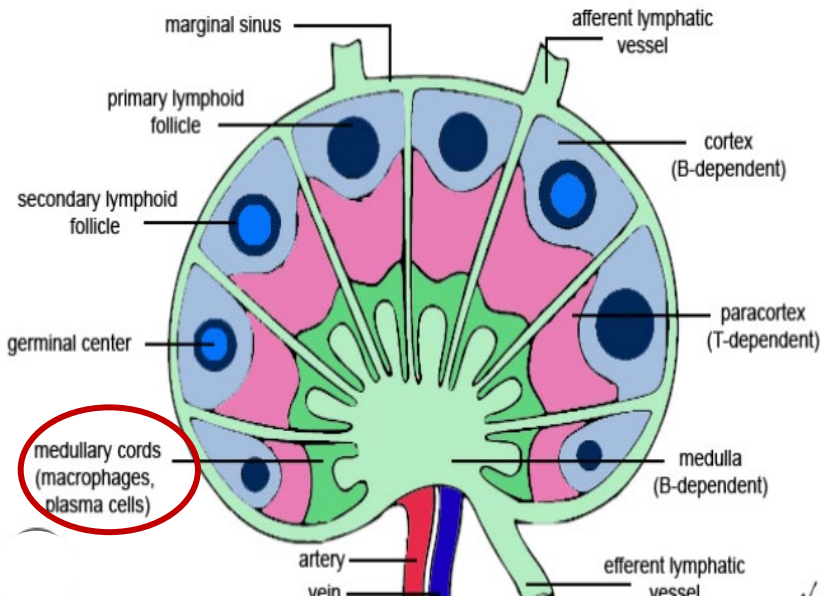
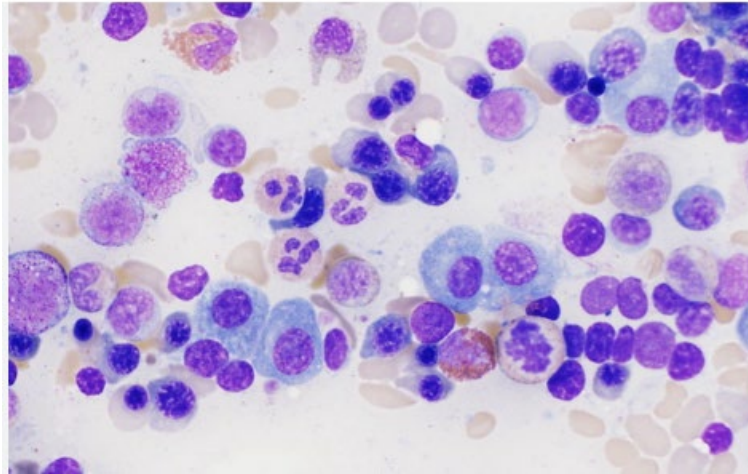
**AL Amyloidosis:** 1-1.4 / 100 000 <sup>6</sup>

**Waldenström Macroglobulinemia:** 3-4 / 1 000 000 <sup>7</sup>

**SMM :** 0.9 / 100 000 <sup>8</sup>



# Multiple Myeloma



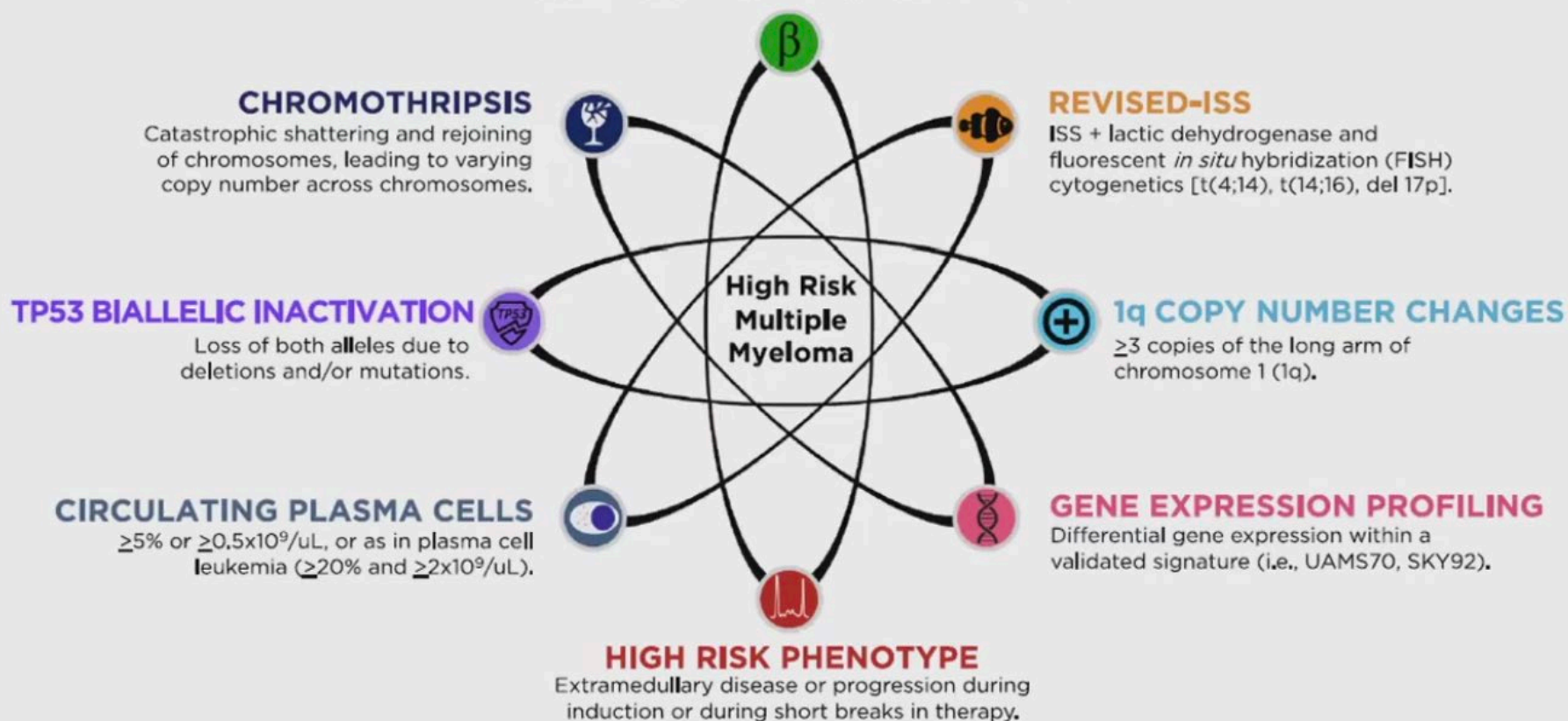
Histological section of a lymph node from female D. The medulla contained numerous plasma cells and



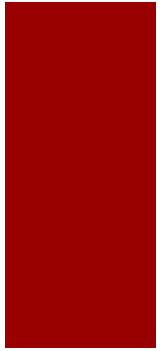
# Not all myelomas are the same

## INTERNATIONAL STAGING SYSTEM (ISS)

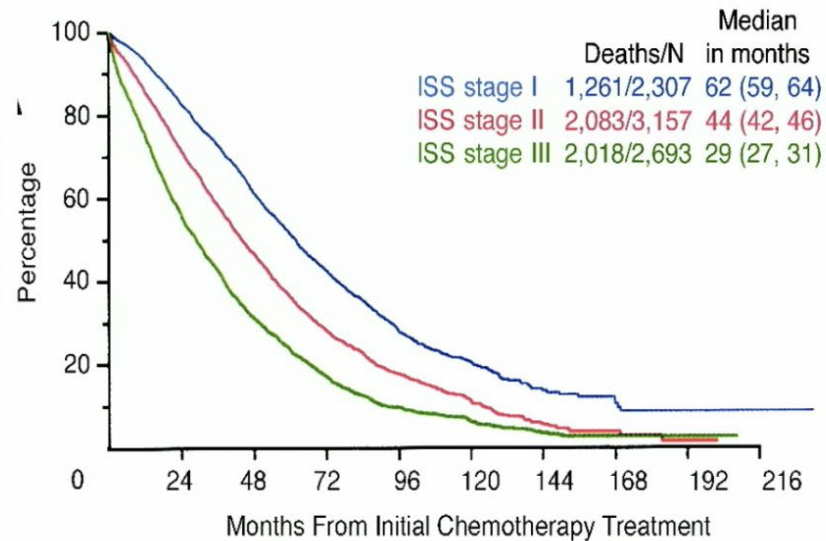
Based on serum beta2-microglobulin and albumin.



# International Staging System



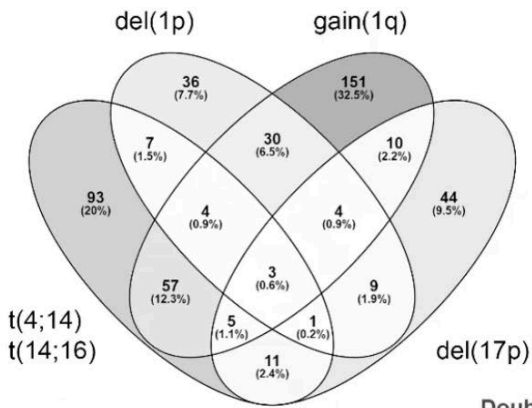
Stage	Criteria
I	Serum $\beta_2$ -microglobulin < 3.5 mg/L Serum albumin $\geq$ 3.5 g/dL
II	Not stage I or III*
III	Serum $\beta_2$ -microglobulin $\geq$ 5.5 mg/L



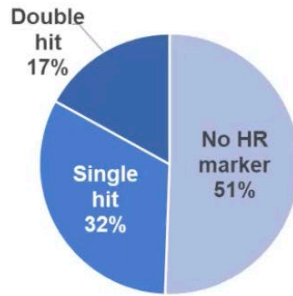
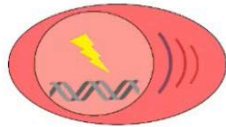
# Cytogenetic risk in Myeloma



- t(4;14)  
t(14;16)
- del(17p)
- IMWG  
(~15%)
- gain(1q)
- del(1p)
- Validated risk markers  
(~15%)

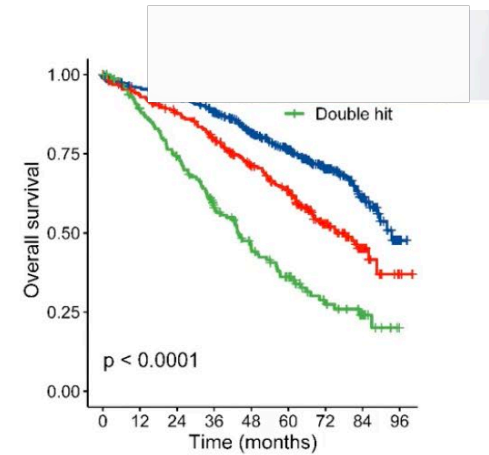
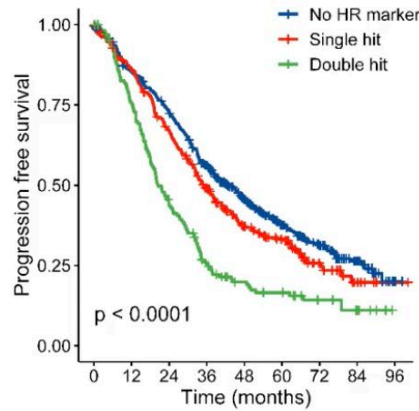


2 or more risk markers  
= Double hit  
= Genomic instability



= Ultra high-risk MM (~15-20%)

Validated in multiple trials

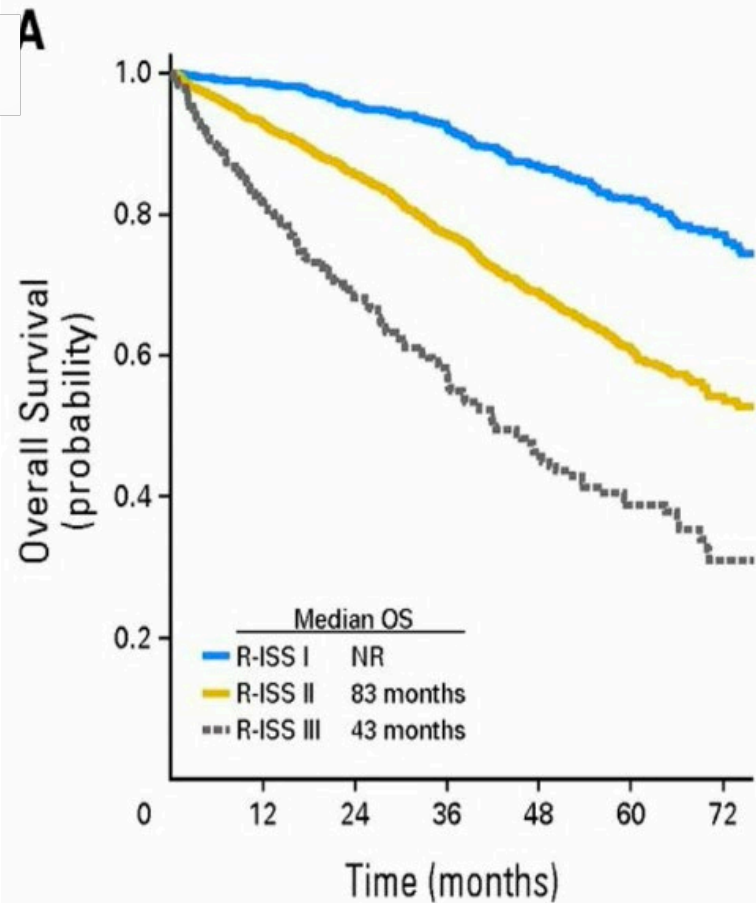


# Revised ISS

Prognostic Factor	Criteria
<b>ISS stage</b>	
I	Serum $\beta_2$ -microglobulin < 3.5 mg/L, serum albumin $\geq$ 3.5 g/dL
II	Not ISS stage I or III
III	Serum $\beta_2$ -microglobulin $\geq$ 5.5 mg/L
<b>CA by iFISH</b>	
High risk	Presence of del(17p) and/or translocation t(4;14) and/or translocation t(14;16)
Standard risk	No high-risk CA
<b>LDH</b>	
Normal	Serum LDH < the upper limit of normal
High	Serum LDH > the upper limit of normal

A new model for risk stratification for MM

R-ISS stage	Criteria
I	ISS stage I and standard-risk CA by iFISH and normal LDH
II	Not R-ISS stage I or III
III	ISS stage III and either high-risk CA by iFISH or high LDH

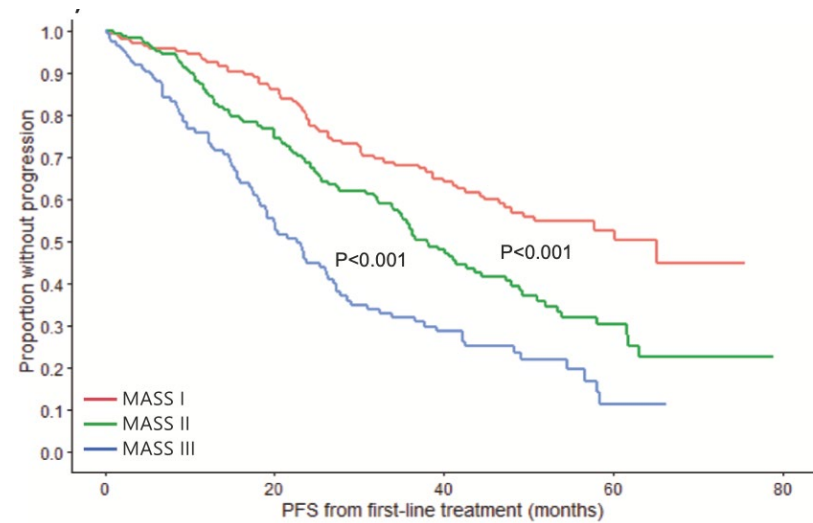
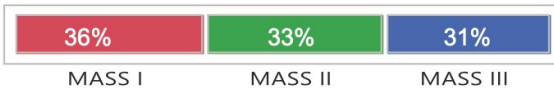
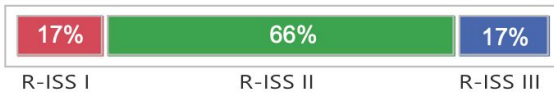
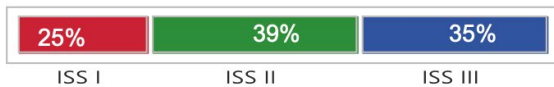
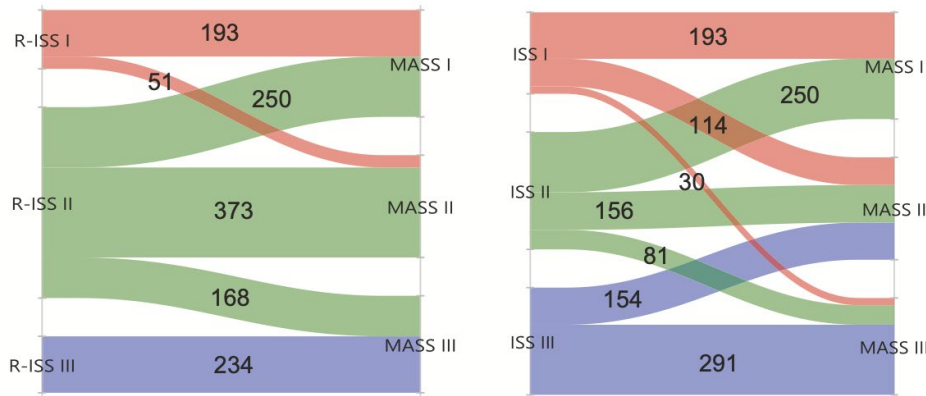
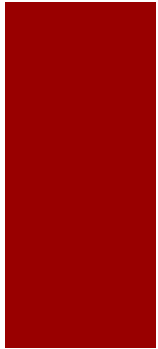


# A simple additive staging system for newly diagnosed multiple myeloma

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Risk	Score	Total score	stage	PFS (month)	OS (year)
high risk IGH translocation (t(4;14), t(14;16))	+1	0	MASS I	63,1	11,0
1q gain/amplification	+1				
chromosome 17 anomaly	+1	1	MASS II	44,0	7,0
ISS stage III	+1				
high LDH	+1	2+	MASS III	28,6	4,5

# Mayo additive staging system(MASS)



Number at risk

PFS from first-line treatment (months)	0	20	40	60	80
MASS I	169	121	78	24	0
MASS II	176	103	57	15	0
MASS III	148	57	24	3	0

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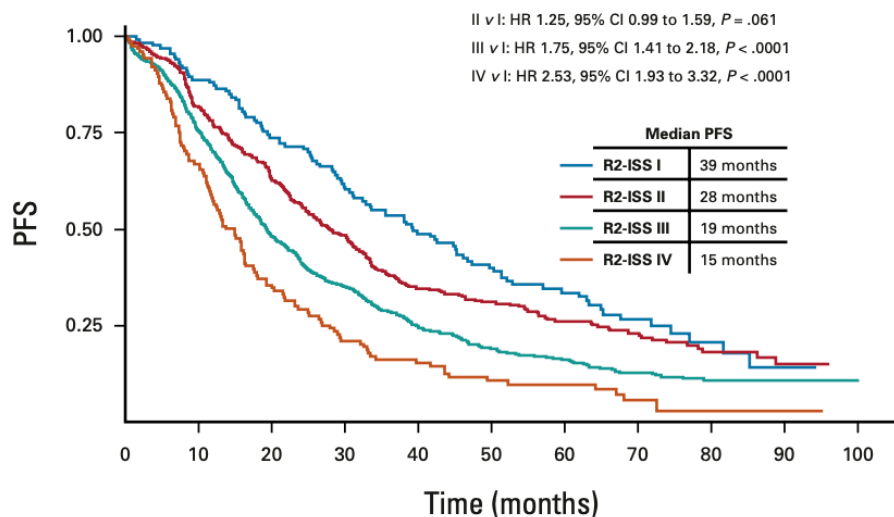
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Risk Feature	OS HR (95% CI)	PFS HR (95% CI)	Score Value <sup>a</sup>
ISS II	1.75 (1.49 to 2.05)	1.43 (1.28 to 1.61)	1
ISS III	2.53 (2.13 to 3.01)	1.76 (1.54 to 2.01)	1.5
del(17p)	1.82 (1.53 to 2.17)	1.43 (1.23 to 1.65)	1
LDH high	1.60 (1.36 to 1.88)	1.37 (1.20 to 1.57)	1
t(4;14)	1.53 (1.29 to 1.81)	1.40 (1.21 to 1.62)	1
1q+	1.47 (1.29 to 1.68)	1.33 (1.20 to 1.48)	0.5

Group	No. (%)	Total Additive Score
Low (I)	428 (19)	0
Low-intermediate (II)	686 (31)	0.5-1
Intermediate-high (III)	917 (41)	1.5-2.5
High (IV)	195 (9)	3-5

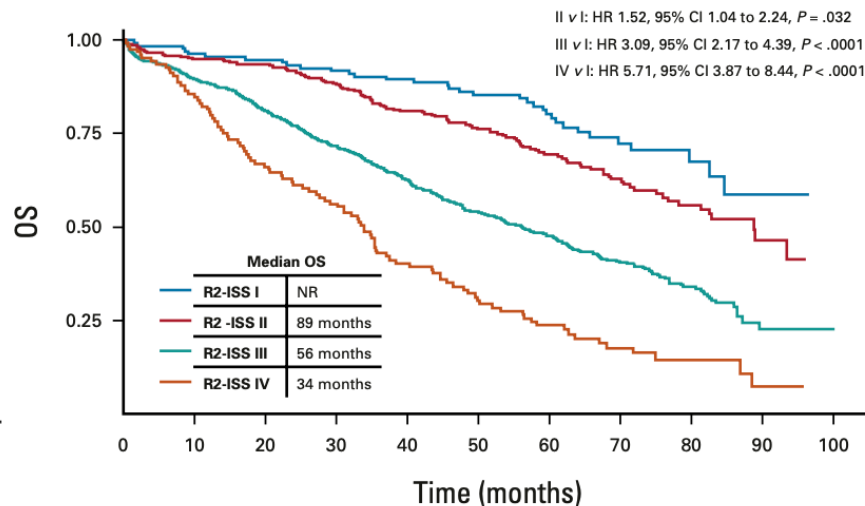
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No. at risk (censored):

	I	II	III	IV
I	135 (0)	119 (1)	98 (2)	81 (2)
II	62 (5)	47 (9)	32 (17)	18 (25)
III	8 (32)	1 (37)	0 (38)	
IV	322 (0)	257 (8)	197 (9)	148 (13)
	103 (16)	81 (28)	59 (38)	38 (53)
	21 (63)	6 (76)	0 (82)	
	627 (1)	454 (25)	289 (26)	209 (27)
	143 (31)	100 (44)	71 (58)	40 (76)
	17 (94)	6 (105)	1 (110)	
	130 (0)	83 (6)	44 (6)	26 (6)
	18 (7)	11 (9)	9 (10)	3 (13)
	1 (14)	1 (14)	0 (15)	



No. at risk (censored):

	I	II	III	IV
I	135 (0)	129 (1)	126 (2)	122 (2)
II	113 (8)	94 (22)	75 (36)	44 (61)
III	21 (82)	6 (95)	0 (101)	
IV	322 (0)	297 (9)	290 (12)	266 (19)
	233 (31)	181 (70)	136 (100)	92 (133)
	50 (167)	12 (200)	0 (211)	
	627 (0)	540 (23)	485 (28)	424 (32)
	351 (53)	271 (86)	205 (121)	139 (160)
	70 (214)	12 (258)	1 (269)	
	130 (0)	106 (6)	80 (8)	68 (8)
	47 (10)	32 (14)	22 (17)	13 (21)
	8 (24)	2 (28)	0 (30)	



## BOX 1: THE HIGH-RISK MULTIPLE MYELOMA DISEASE SEGMENT

### The challenges of HR disease

- HR disease is seen in up to 30% of NDMM.
- The proportion of patients with HR disease increases with each successive relapse.
- HR disease is a significant cause of mortality in multiple myeloma.
- Current therapy has not significantly improved the outcome of HR.

### The biology of HR disease

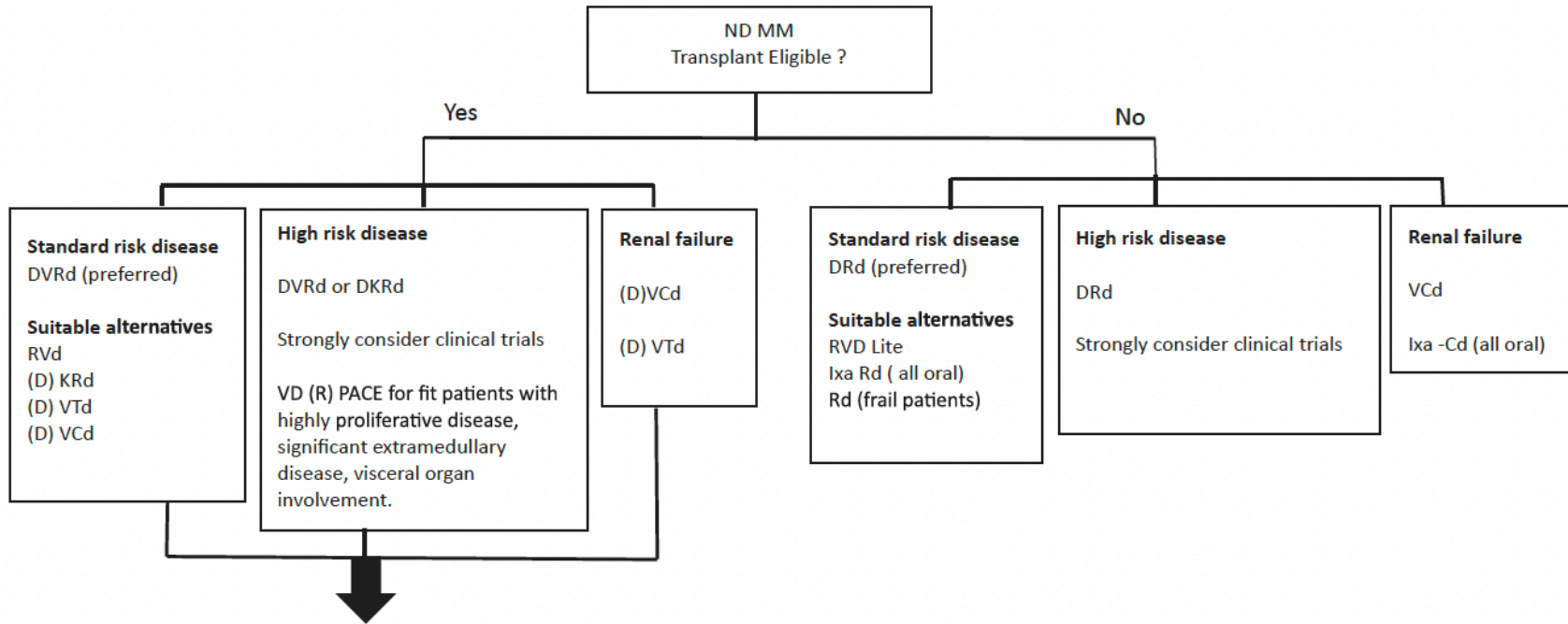
- HRMM is an acquired biological trait that is characterized by a phenotype of:
  - increased proliferation rate
  - resistance to apoptosis
  - focal growth
  - bone marrow-independent growth
  - more than one type of biology
  - intraclonal heterogeneity
- HR subclones may be selected for by treatment.
- Treatment needs to address intraclonal heterogeneity.

### Features of HR disease

- Clinical features
  - extra-medullary disease
  - large focal lesions
  - plasma cell leukemia
  - primary refractoriness to treatment
- Laboratory and genetic features
  - R-ISS
  - cytogenetic features
    - t(4;14)
    - t(14;16)
    - t(14;20)
    - gain(1q)
    - deletion and mutation of TP53
  - HR gene expression profiles
- Functional features
  - Initial response to therapy with relapse within 12-18 months.
- Novel features
  - Microenvironment features identified by single-cell analysis and advanced imaging.



# Induction Treatment for Newly Diagnosed Multiple Myeloma



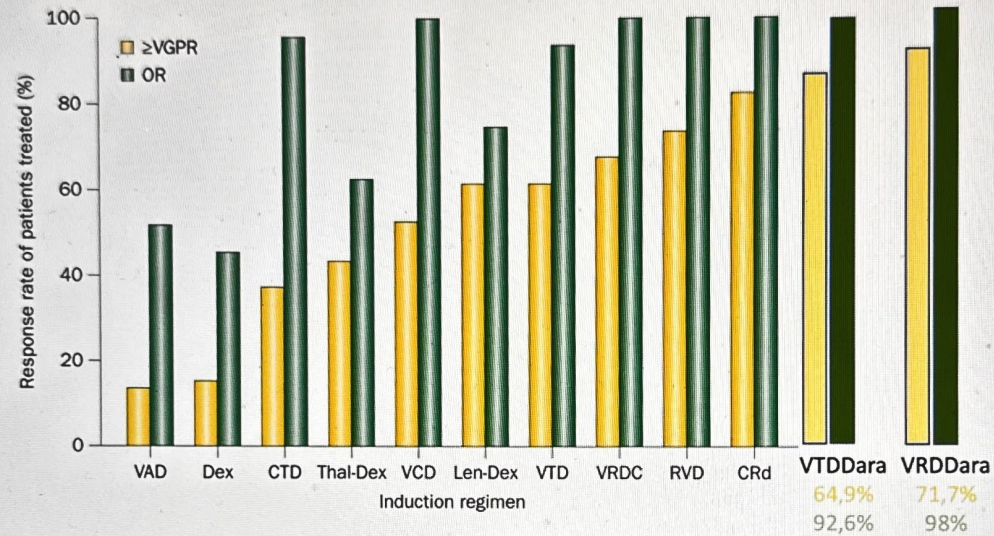
ASCT and post-transplant therapy<sup>a</sup>  
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**Fig.1.** Current induction approaches for newly diagnosed multiple myeloma.



# Treatment response with induction regimens in MM



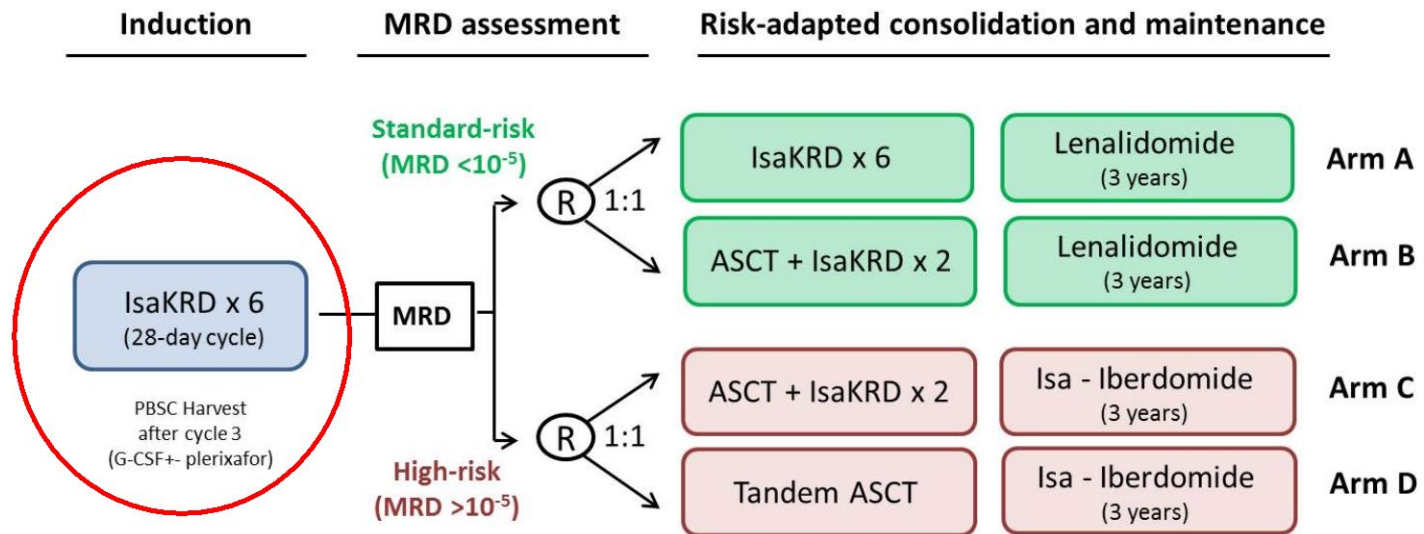
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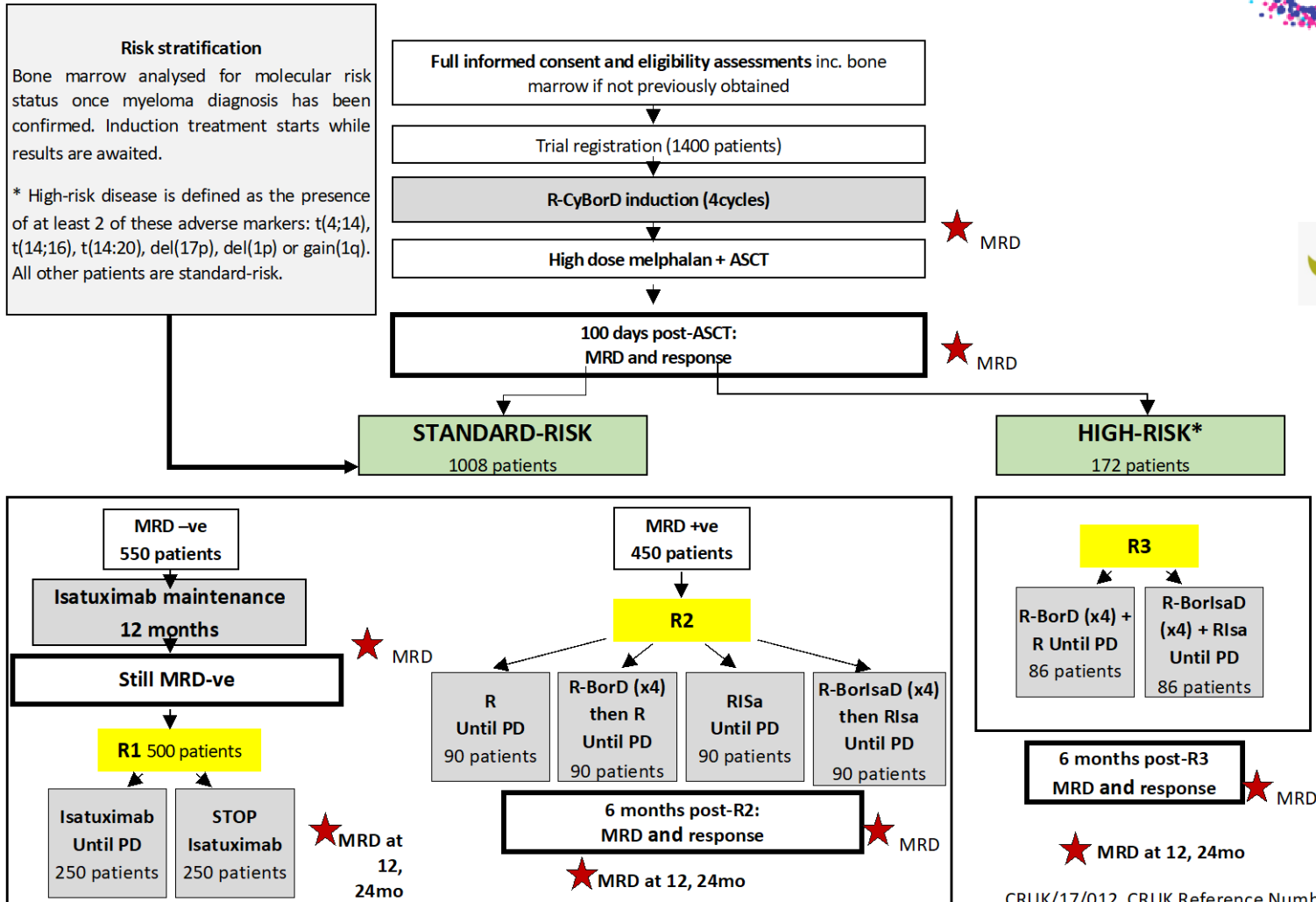


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**338 / 700 patients recruited !**

# Myeloma XV (RADAR) study design



# TREATMENT OF RELAPSE/REFRACTORY MYELOMA



## first relapse

After VRd

- R-sensitive
- R-refractory
- V-sensitive
- R/V-refractory

KRd, DaraRd, PVd, DaraKd, IsaKd, IsaPd, IxaRd, Seli-Vd, KCd, KPd, PCd, EloRd

PVd, DaraKd, IsaKd, IsaPd, Sel-Vd, KCd, KPd, PCd

KRd, DaraRd, EloRd, PVd, DaraKd, DaraVd, IsaKd, IsaPd, Seli-Vd, VenVd, KCd, KPd, PCd

DaraKd, IsaKd, IsaPd, KCd, KPd, PCd

after DaraRd

- R-sensitive
- R-refractory

PVd, Kd, EloRd, KRd, KCd, KPd, PCd, IxaRd, Seli-Vd, Seli-Pd, VenVd, VenKd

PVd, Kd, Seli-Vd, Seli-Pd, VenVd, VenKd, KCd, KPd, PCd

after DaraVMP or DaraVTD

- V-sensitive
- V-refractory

EloRd, KRd, IxaRd, VRd, Seli-Vd, Seli-Pd, Kd, VenVd, VenKd, PVd

EloRd, KCd, KPd, PCd, Seli-Pd, VenKd

## Second or more relapses

R/V-refractory

DaraKd, IsaPd, EloPd, IsaKd, DaraPd, Seli-Pd, VenKd

R-refractory, PI-sensitive

DaraKd, EloPd, IsaKd, IsaPd, DaraPd, DaraVd, Seli-Vd, Seli-Pd, VenVd, VenKd

Alternative (not optimal ) options

PCd, daratumumab, panobinostat-tabanlı rejimler

triple class refractory

Clinical trials, Seli-d, belamaf, melflufen-dex, venetoclax t(11;14) (+), elranatamab, teclistamab, talquetamab, CAR-T

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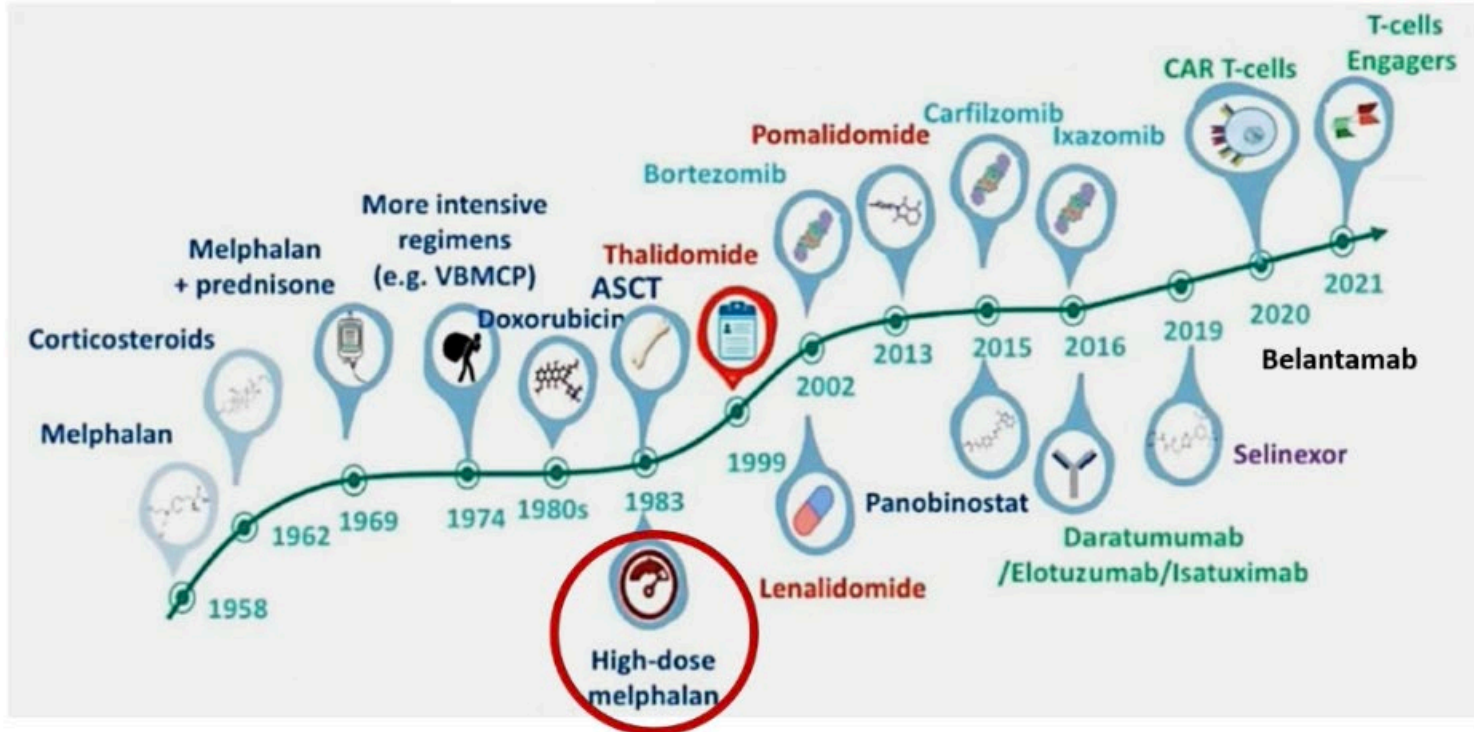


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<b>Proteasome Inhibitors</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bortezomib</li><li>Carfilzomib</li><li>Ixazomib</li></ul>	<b>Anti-BCMA antibody drug conjugate</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Belantamab</li></ul>	<b>CELMoDs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Iberdomide</li><li>CC-92480</li></ul>	<b>Novel bispecifics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Talquetamab (GPRC5D/CD3)</li><li>Cevostamab (FcRH5/CD3)</li></ul>

moAB: monoclonal antibody

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# Treatment algorithm during the last two decades

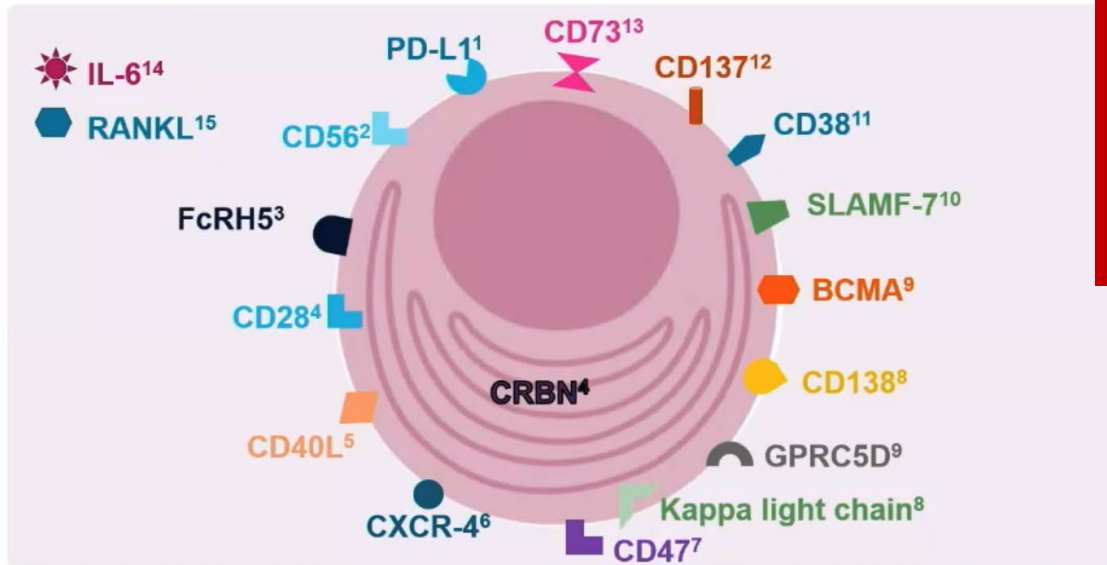


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CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; VBMCP, vincristine, bcnu, melphalan, cyclophosphamide, prednisone



# Novel targets for MM treatment



Target	Expression by myeloma cells	Expression by normal hematopoietic cells	Expression on other tissues	Clinical development of treatment options	Critical issues during development
CD38	Increased and uniform expression. Downregulated after Mab treatment	Myeloid and lymphoid cells, progenitor cells, NK and T cells, neutrophils and dendritic cells	Epithelial cells (prostate), pancreatic islet cells, pulmonary cells, Purkinje neurons (cerebellum)	Mabs (FDA, EMA approved) CAR T (clinical trials)	Mab treatment well tolerated Expression on normal tissues can hamper the development of more potent therapies
BCMA	60–100%	Plasmocytes and plasmoblasts	Absent (controversial expression on basal ganglia (brain))	Antibody–drug conjugate (FDA, EMA approved) CAR T (FDA, EMA approved) Bispecific antibodies (BiTE and IgG format)	Duration of response for some of the CAR T constructs Potential neurotoxicity
SLAMF7/CS1	Increased and uniform expression	NK, T and B cells, monocytes, macrophages, dendritic cells and plasmacytes	Absent	Mabs (FDA, EMA approved) CAR T (clinical trials)	Fratricide on NK cells
FcRL5	Expression on > 80% of patients	B cells and plasmocytes	Absent	Bispecific antibodies (BiTE format)	IV formulation
GPRC5D	High expression in > 60% patients	B cells and plasma cells	Epithelial cells of skin and of filiform papillae (tongue)	Bispecific antibodies (IgG format) and CAR T, both in clinical trials	Skin and nail toxicity, dysgeusia
CD138	High expression	Plasmocytes	Epithelial cells of GI tract, hepatocytes	CAR T (clinical trials)	Currently in early development
CD19	Weak expression	B cell lineage cells	Absent	CAR T (clinical trials)	Weak expression on tumor cells
CD56	High expression in 80% of patients	NK and T cells, monocytes	Neural expression	CAR T (clinical trials)	Currently in early development

# WHAT ARE OPTIONS FOR PATIENTS EXPOSED AND REFRACTORY TO PI+ IMiD+ ANTI-CD38

## Multiple Therapies Approved or Under Investigation in RRMM

Backbone/standard-of-care agents				Recent approvals / later relapse			Emerging therapies for RRMM*		
IMiDs	PIs	mAbs	HDACis	ADCs	Targeted therapies	CAR T cell therapies	CELMOs	BiTEs / bispecifics	Others
Lenalidomide	Bortezomib**	Daratumumab (CD38)	Panobinostat†	Belantamab mafodotin	Selinexor	Idecabtagene vicleucel	Iberdomide	Teclistamab (BCMAxCD3)	CAR NK cell therapies
Pomalidomide	Carfilzomib	Isatuximab (CD38)	Vorinostat*		Venetoclax*	Ciltacabtagene autoleucel	CC-92480	Elranatamab (BCMAxCD3)	ICIs
Thalidomide	Ixazomib	Elotuzumab (SLAMF7)			Melflufen**†			Parvurutumab (BCMAxCD3)	Immuno-cytokines
	Marizomib*							Talquetamab (GPC5DxCD3)	
								Cevostamab (FcRH5xCD3)	

Strategies for managing RRMM, including combination regimens and treatment sequencing, are evolving in the context of this expanding therapeutic armamentarium

\*Not currently approved in RRMM. †FDA approval withdrawn. ‡Positive recommendation from CHMP for full EMA approval. \*\* Also approved in combination with liposomal doxorubicin (Doxil®); ADCs, antibody–drug conjugates; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; BiTEs®, bispecific T-cell engagers; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CELMOs®, cereblon E3 ligase modulators; CHMP, Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use; COMy, Controversies in multiple myeloma; EMA, European Medicines Agency; FcRH5, Fc receptor-homolog 5; FDA, Food and Drug Administration; GPRC5D, G protein-coupled receptor family C group 5 member D; ICIs, immune checkpoint inhibitors; IMiDs®, immunomodulatory drugs; mAbs, monoclonal antibodies; PIs, proteasome inhibitors; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma.

Adapted from Richardson PG. 8<sup>th</sup> COMy World Congress, Paris, France, May 2022. Moreau P, et al. Lancet Oncol 2021;22(3):e105–18.

# CAR-T studies in Myeloma

	2 <sup>nd</sup> generation CAR T-cells <sup>1</sup>		Academic <sup>2</sup>	Human scFv <sup>3,4</sup>		Allogeneic CAR <sup>5-7</sup>			GPRC5D <sup>8</sup>
	Ide-cel <sup>a</sup> KarMMa (n=128) <sup>9,13</sup>	Cilta-cel <sup>a</sup> CARTITUDE-1 (n=97) <sup>11,14,16</sup>	ARI0002h <sup>b</sup> (n=30) <sup>2,17</sup>	CT053 <sup>b</sup> LUMMICAR (n=20) <sup>3,18,19</sup>	CT103a <sup>b</sup> (n=71) <sup>4,18,21</sup>	ALLO-715 <sup>b</sup> UNIVERSAL (n=43) <sup>5,20,22</sup>	ALLO-605 <sup>b</sup> IGNITE (n=136) <sup>5,23</sup>	P-BCMA-ALLO1 <sup>b</sup> (n=135) <sup>7,24,25,26</sup>	MCARH109 <sup>b</sup> (n=17) <sup>8,27,28</sup>
Phase	2	1b/2	1/2	1b/2	1/2	1	1/2	1	1
Target	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	GPRC5D
scFv	Chimeric mouse	Chimeric llama	Humanized	Human	Human	Human	Human	Humanized anti-BCMA VH-based	Human
Co-stimulatory	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB
Specificity	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Autologous	Allogeneic CD52 and TCRα KO	Allogeneic TRAC/CD52	Allogeneic MHC I and TCR KOs	Autologous

<sup>a</sup>Approved in the EU and US for the treatment of RRMM. <sup>12,19,29,30</sup> <sup>b</sup>These therapies are not approved for the treatment of MM but are under clinical investigation in MM. <sup>2-4,6,7,8,19,22</sup> <sup>c</sup>Estimated enrolment.

BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; CD, cluster of differentiation; cilta-cel, ciltacabtagene autoleucel; GPRC5D, G-protein coupled receptor family C group 5 member D; Ide-cel, idecabtagene vicleucel; KO, knockout; MM, multiple myeloma; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma; scFv, single-chain variable fragment; TCR, T-cell receptor; VH, variable heavy chain.

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# CAR-T cells in RRMM

## ASH 2023 Updates

	Approved CAR-T cells			Academi		Alternative manufacturing	Novel Synthetic	Allo-CAR	GPC5D	
	US	US	China							
	Ide-cel KarMMa <sup>1</sup> (n = 128)	Cilta-cel CARTITUDE-1 (n = 97) <sup>2,3</sup>	CT103A <sup>7</sup> (n= 79)	ARI0002h <sup>4</sup> (n = 60)	P-BCMA-101 PRIME <sup>5,6</sup> (n = 53)	ddBCMA <sup>7</sup> (n= 40)	ALLO-715 UNIVERSAL <sup>8</sup> (n = 43)	CC-95266 <sup>9</sup> (n= 70 )	OriCAR -017 <sup>90</sup> (n= 13)	
Phase	II	Ib/II	I/II	I/II	I/II	I	I	I	I	
Target	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	BCMA	GPC5D	GPC5D	
scFv	Chimeric mouse	Chimeric Llama	Human	Humanized	Chimeric mouse	Synthetic	Human	Human	Humanized Bi-epitopic	
Co-stim	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	4-1BB	
Specificity	Auto	Auto	Auto	Auto	Auto-piggyBac	Auto	Allo CD52 & TCR KO	Auto	Auto	
Age, (range)	61 (33-78)	61 (56-68)	57 (39-70)	61 (36-74)	60 (42-74)	66 (44-76)	64 (46-77)	60 (38-76)	64 (58-68)	
# of lines	6	6	5	3	8	4	5	NR	5.5	
HR cytog, %	35	24	34	28	NA	29	37	46	60	
EMD, %	39	13	13	18	NA	34	21	43	40	
Triple-R, %	84	88	17	67(?)	60	100/68(pent)	91	34(penta)	15	
ORR, %	81	98	95	95	67	100	71	86	100	
CR/sCR, %	39	82	68	58	NA	76	25	38	60	
PFS	12.2 m	34.9 m	NR	15.8 m	NR	67%, 18m	NR	NR	NR	

\*There are no head-to-head comparisons of these data and naïve comparison should be conducted with caution  
 BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR, chimeric antigen receptor; EMD, extramedullary disease; HR cytog, high-risk cytogenetics; NA, not available; NR, not reached/not reported; ScFv, single-chain variable fragment; TCR, T-cell receptor; triple-R, triple-class refractory

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**Table 5.** Comparison of novel immunotherapy approaches in multiple myeloma

	Antibody drug conjugates	Bispecific T-cell engagers	CAR T-cell therapy
<b>Advantages</b>	Off-the-shelf therapy	Off-the-shelf therapy	-
	Immune and nonimmune mechanisms of action	-	-
	Infrequent dosing (every 3 wk-12 wk)	-	One-time therapy
	Encouraging response rates	Deep responses	Deep responses
	No CRS/ICANS	Mostly grade 1-2 CRS/ICANS	-
	Outpatient administration	Only initial dosing as inpatient	Vacation from continuous therapy
<b>Disadvantages</b>	Continuous therapy until progression	Continuous therapy until progression	-
	Frequent dose interruptions	Weekly or biweekly dosing	Administration delays due to manufacturing time
	Ocular toxicity	Significant immunosuppression	Potential for severe CRS/ICANS; prolonged cytopenias
	Ophthalmic exams prior to dosing	Specialized centers required	Complex infrastructure required
	Cost (\$\$)	Cost (\$\$)	Cost (\$\$\$)

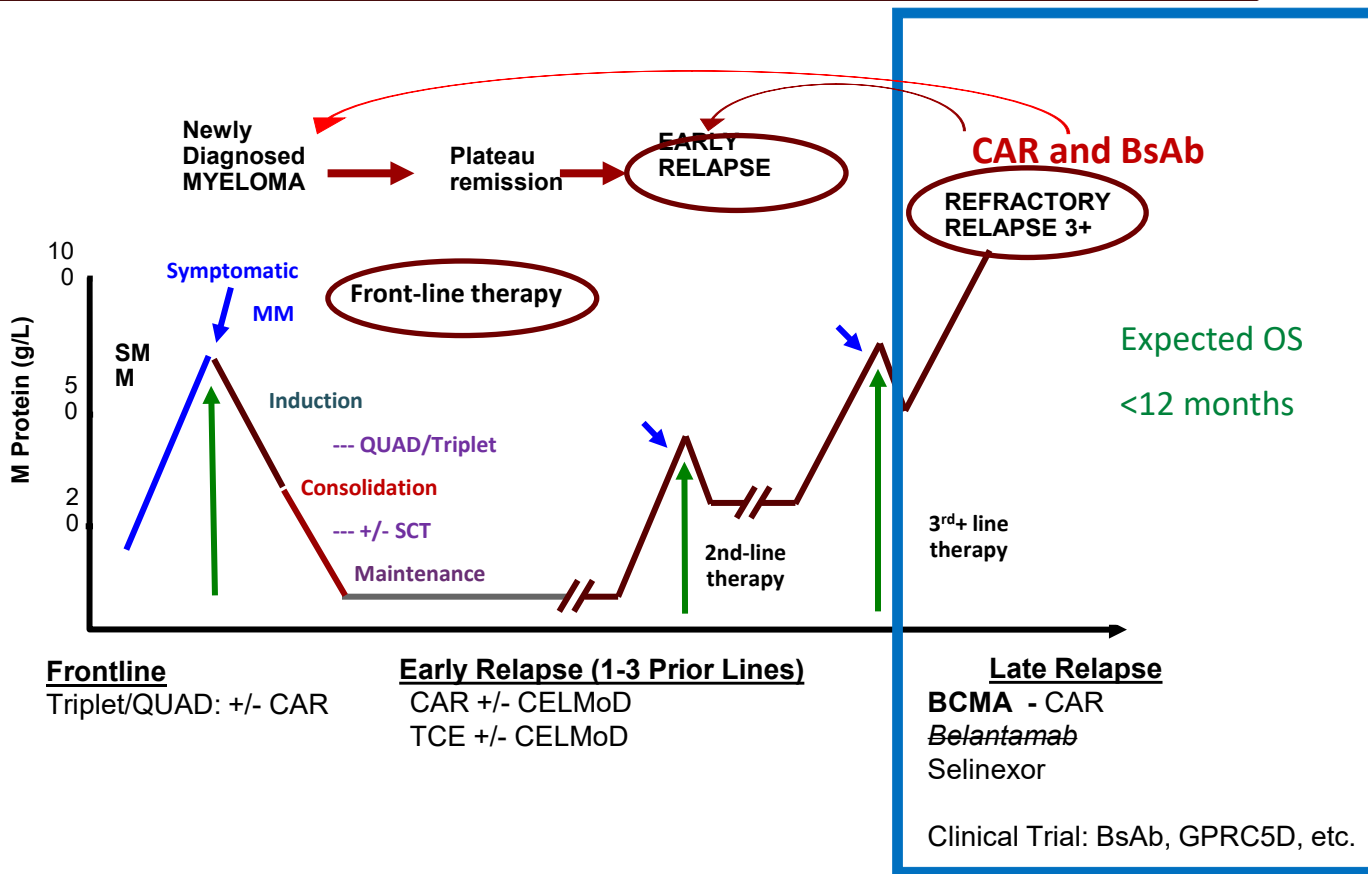
ICANS, immune effector cell-associated neurotoxicity syndrome; wk, week.

**New targeted immunotherapies at earlier stages of Myeloma under development**

# Evolving MM Treatment Paradigm:

*Where will Immunotherapies make the biggest impact?*

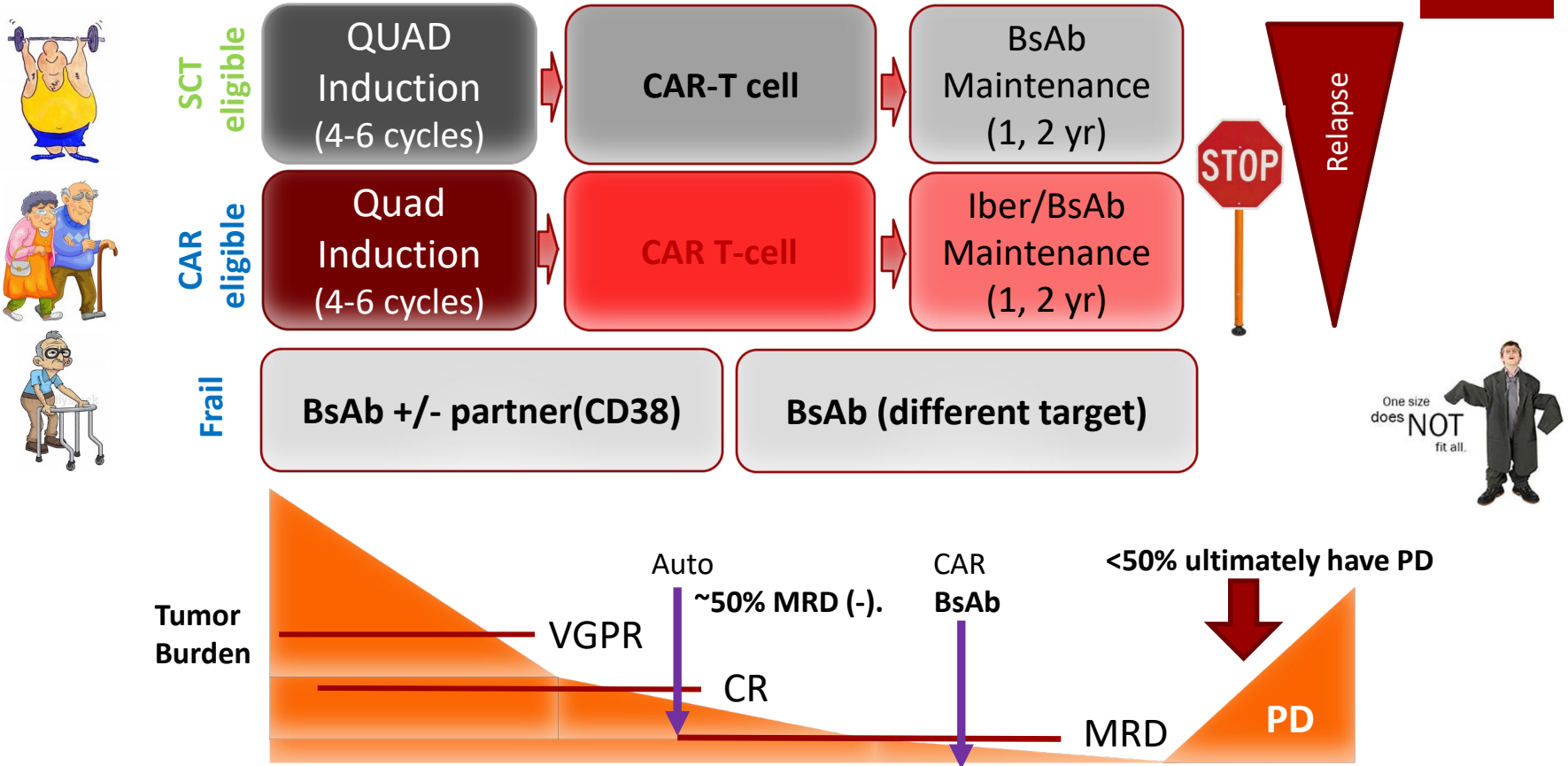
**SMM**  
Risk assessment



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# Conclusions: MM can be CURED? CARs and BsAbs) are the way !!!

## Future treatment paradigms.....

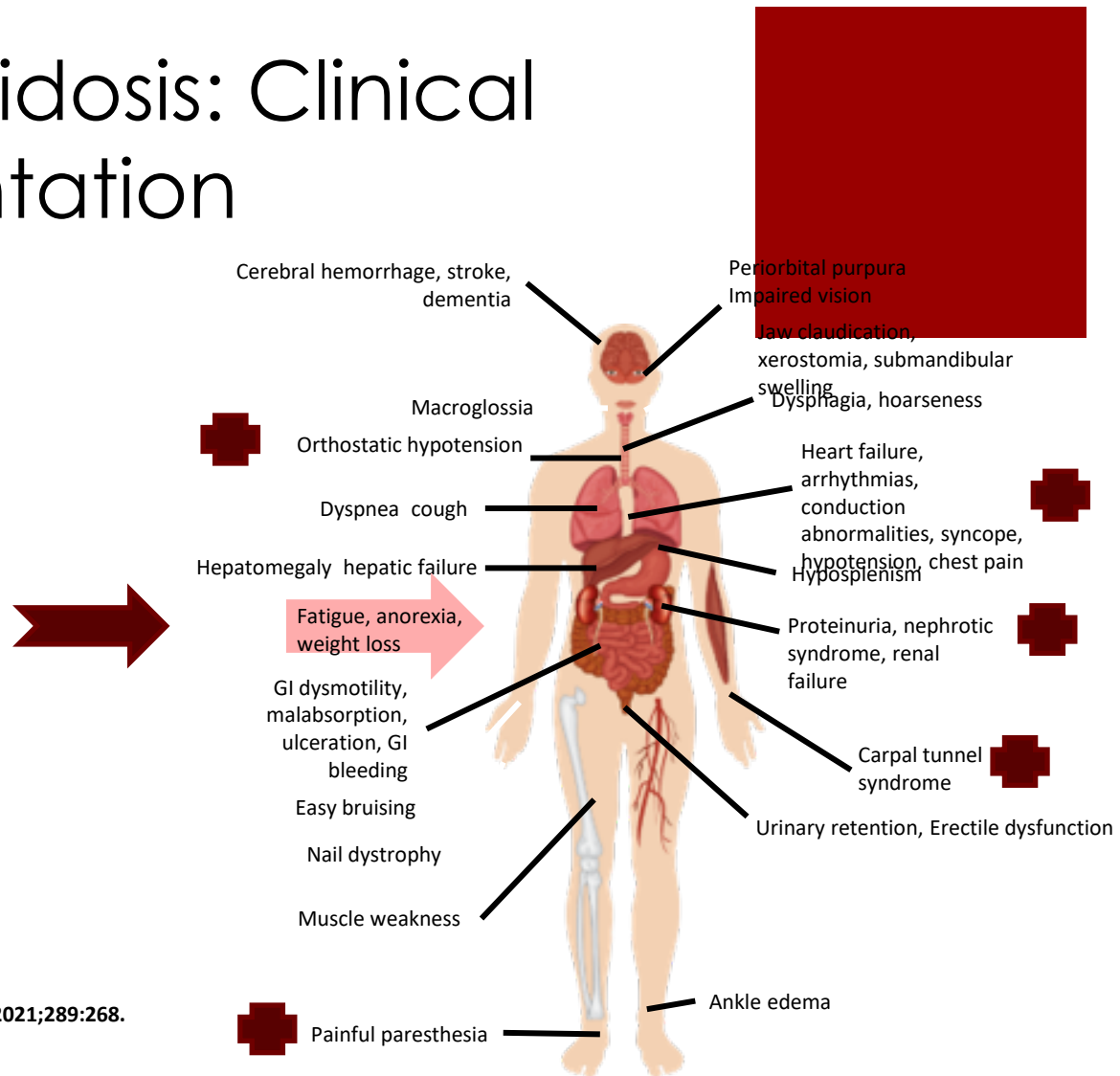




# AL Amyloidosis

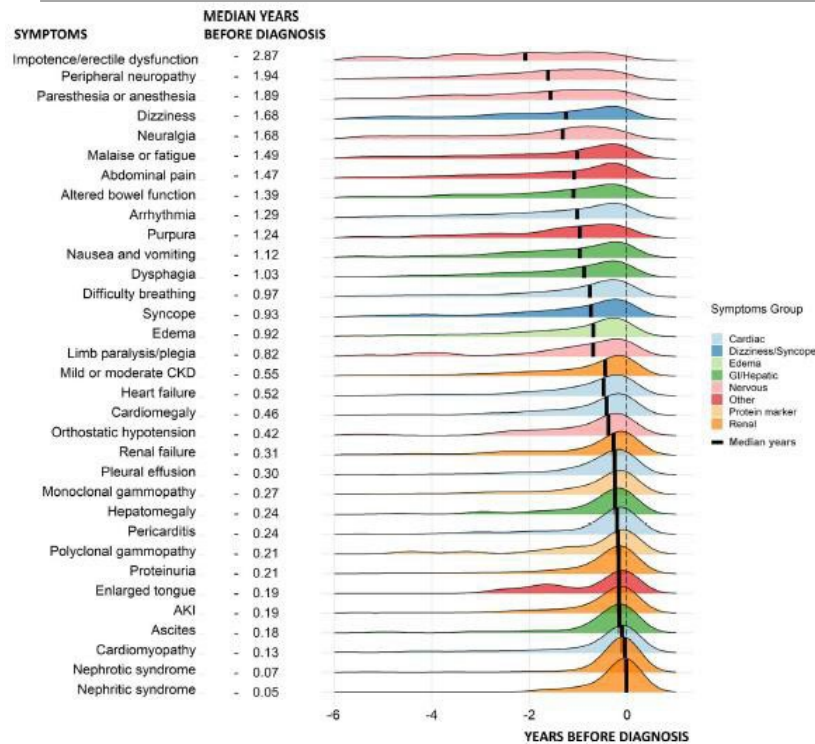


# Amyloidosis: Clinical Presentation



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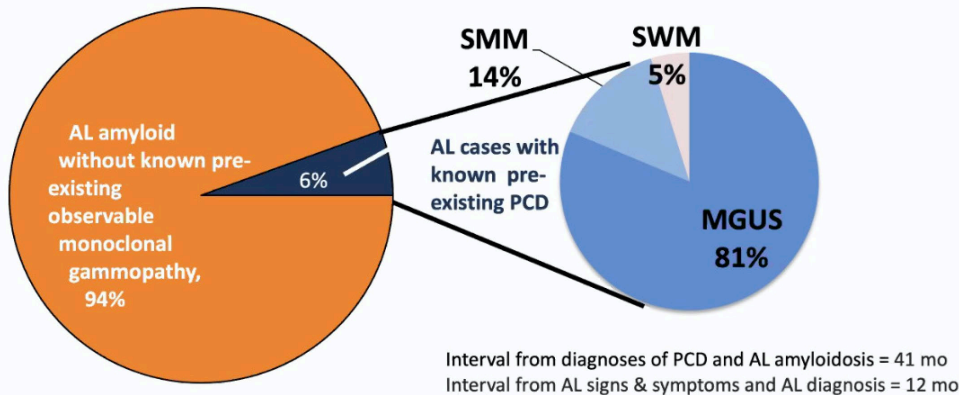
# AL Amyloidosis Diagnostic Prodrome



- 1523 patients with new diagnosed light-chain amyloidosis between 2001 and 2019
- Median time from symptom onset to diagnosis is **2.7 years**
- 50% of patients visited **≥5 physician specialties** prior to diagnosis

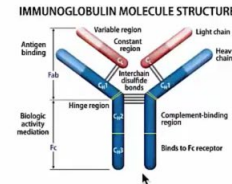
# Amyloidosis Conundrum

## AL Amyloidosis Can Be Insidious 2890 AL patients 1998-2013

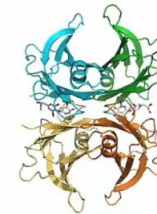


Courtesy Dr Shaji Kumar

## Epidemiology of Amyloidosis



- AL Amyloidosis
- Incidence 1 in 50,000 to 100,000
- 5,000-7,500 new cases diagnosed in U.S. annually



- ATTR wild-type
- Possibly 10% - 15% over age 60 years with HFpEF
- ~10% with severe aortic stenosis
- >100,000 likely cases in U.S.



- ATTR variant
- V122I (pV142I) allele - 3.4% African Americans
- Age-dependent clinical penetrance (>65 years)
- 50,000 - 100,000 possible cases

Courtesy Dr Rick Ruberg

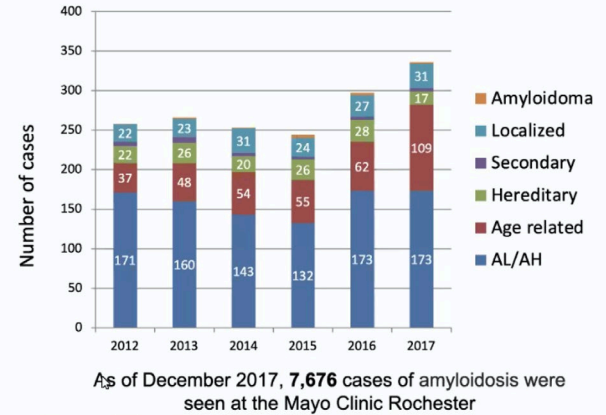
# Incidence of Amyloidosis



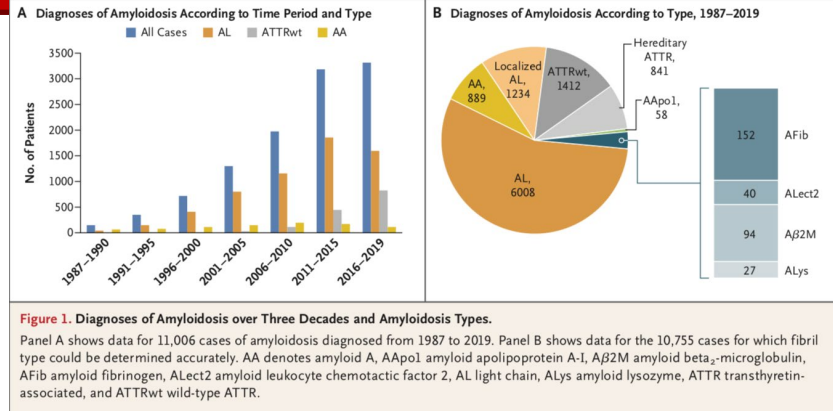
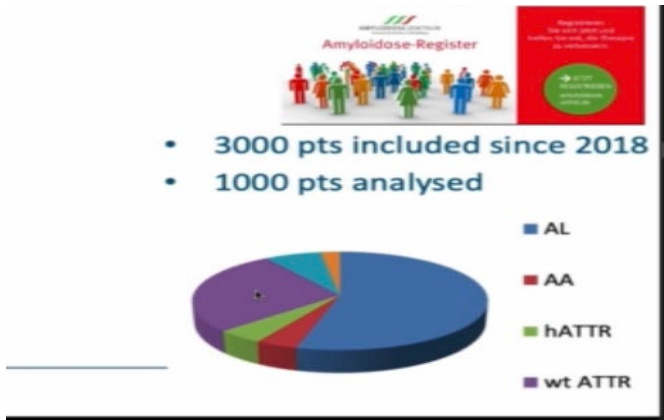
\*: among 5100 patients seen at UK-National Amyloidosis Centre

	Relative Incidence*
AA	12 %
AL	6.8 %
ATTR wt	3.2 %
ATTR mut	6.6 %

## Amyloidosis: Distribution 2012-2017



\*: among 3000 patients seen at Heidelberg Amyloidosis Center



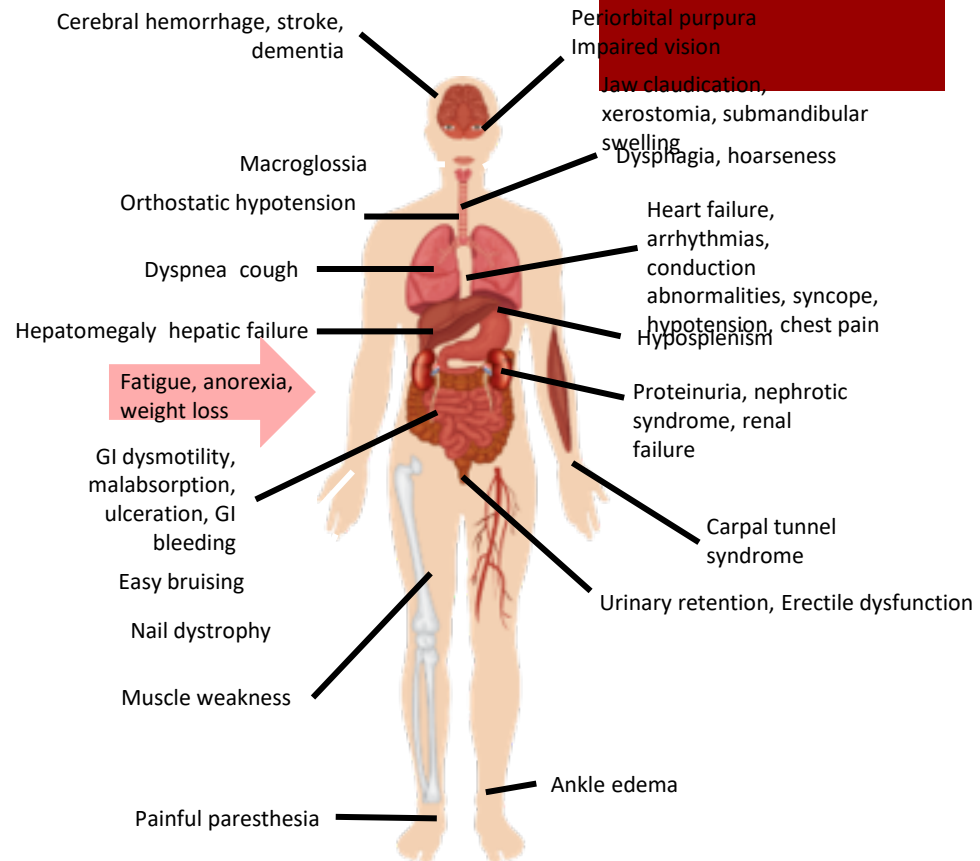


# DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

# Amyloidosis: Clinical Presentation

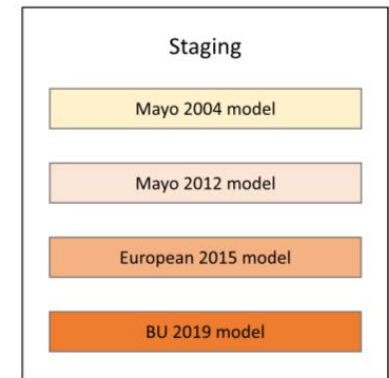
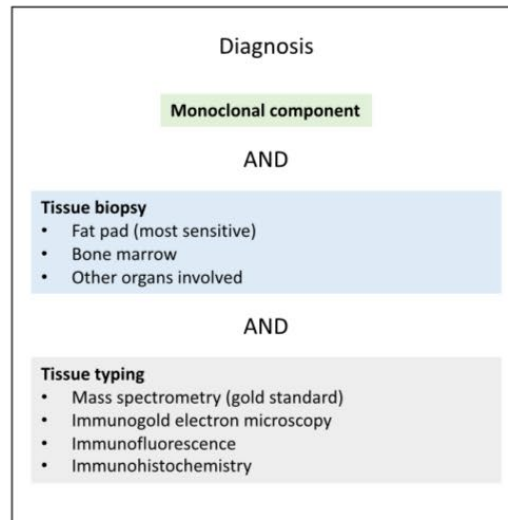
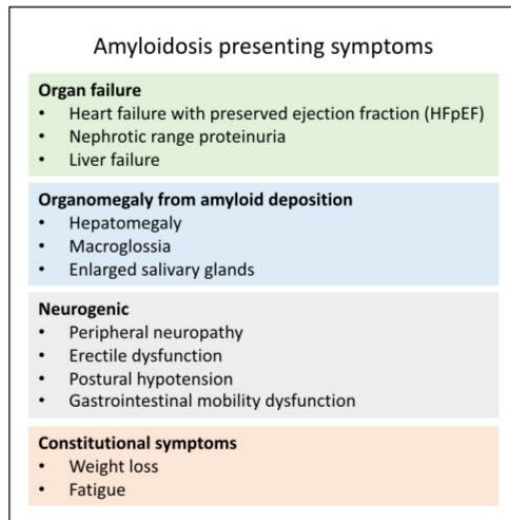
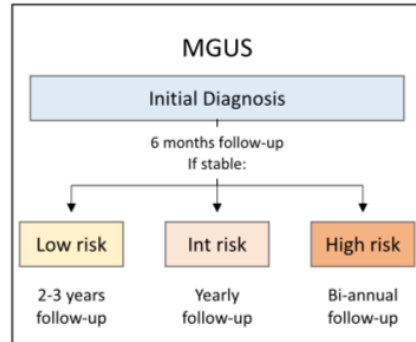
Symptom	AL	ATTRwt	ATTRv
Atypical MGUS or smoldering myeloma	X	--	--
Diastolic dysfunction, HFpEF	X	X	X
Proteinuria, nondiabetic	X	--	--
Small-fiber neuropathy	X	--	X
Autonomic dysfunction	X	--	X
Hepatomegaly, no imaging defects	X	--	--
Purpura on face and/or neck	X	--	--
Macroglossia	X	--	--
Bilateral carpal tunnel	X	X	X
Spinal stenosis/pseudoclaudication	X	X	X
Biceps rupture	--	X	--

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# Comprehensive Review of AL amyloidosis: some practical recommendations

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**STAGING**

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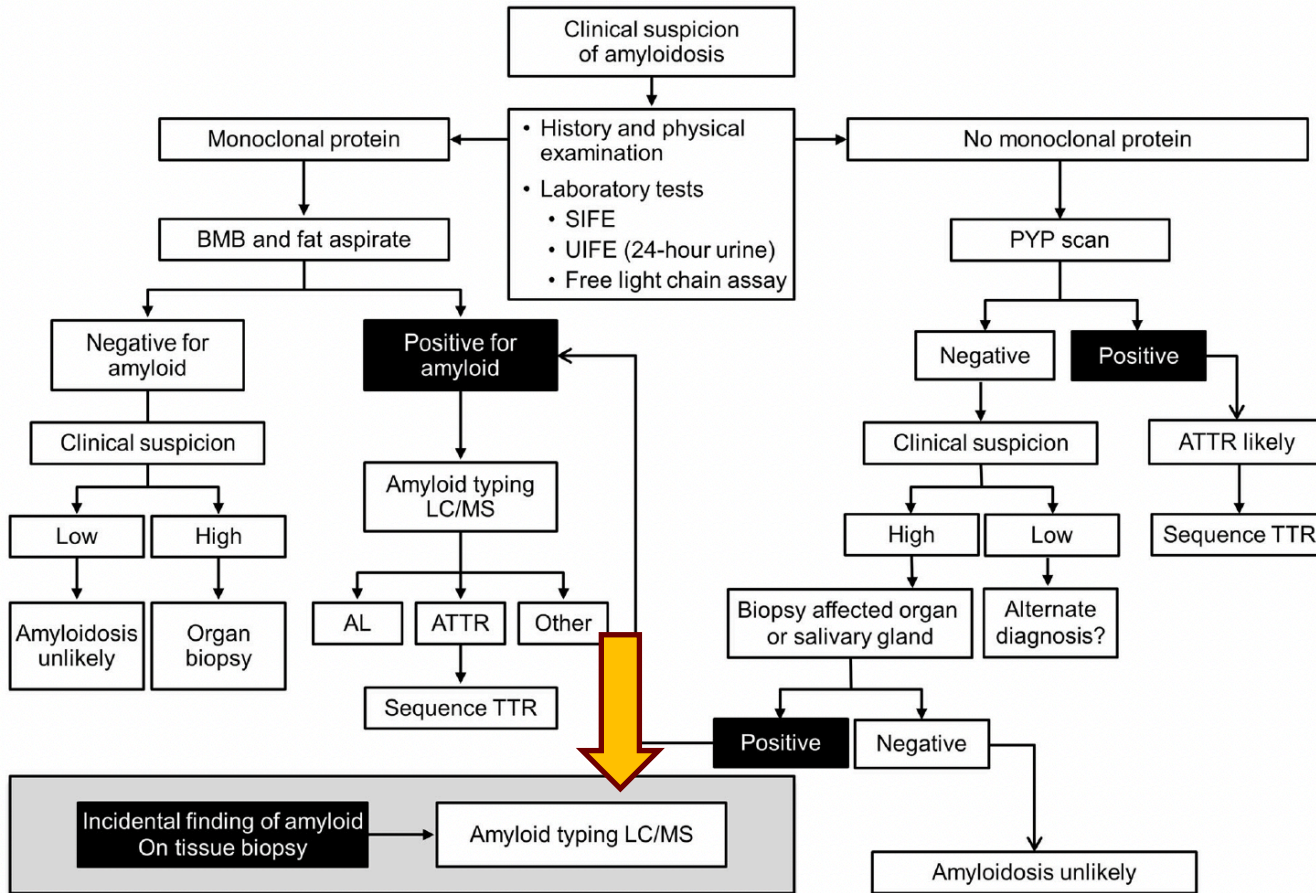




**Table 1. Staging systems for AL amyloidosis**

Staging system	Markers and thresholds	Stages	Outcomes*
Cardiac (NT-proBNP based)	NT-proBNP >332 ng/L cTnT >0.035 ng/mL (or cTnI >0.01 ng/mL)	I. No markers above the cutoff II. One marker above the cutoff IIIa. Both markers above the cutoff and NT-proBNP <8500 ng/L IIIb. Both markers above the cutoff and NT-proBNP ≥8500 ng/L	I. Median survival not reached, 57% with 10-y survival II. Median survival 67 mo IIIa. Median survival 15 mo IIIb. Median survival 4 mo
Cardiac (BNP based)	BNP >81 ng/L cTnI >0.1 ng/mL	I. No markers above the cutoff II. One marker above the cutoff IIIa. Both markers above the cutoff and BNP <700 ng/L IIIb. Both markers above the cutoff and BNP ≥700 ng/L	I. Median survival 151 mo, 57% with 10-y survival II. Median survival 53 mo III. Median survival 13 mo IV. Median survival 4 mo
Revised Mayo Clinic	NT-proBNP >1800 ng/L cTnT >0.025 ng/mL dFLC >180 mg/L	I. 0 markers above the cutoff II. 1 marker above the cutoff III. 2 markers above the cutoff IV. 3 markers above the cutoff	I. Median survival not reached, 57% with 10-y survival II. Median survival 69 mo III. Median survival 16 mo IV. Median survival 6 mo
Renal	eGFR <50 mL/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup> proteinuria >5 g per 24 h	I. Both eGFR above and proteinuria below the cutoffs II. Either eGFR below or proteinuria above the cutoffs III. Both eGFR below and proteinuria above the cutoffs	I. 1% risk of dialysis at 2 y II. 12% risk of dialysis at 2 y III. 48% risk of dialysis at 2 y

## AMYLOIDOSIS DIAGNOSTIC ALGORITHM



**Fig. 2 Amyloidosis diagnostic algorithm.** ATTR transthyretin amyloidosis, AL immunoglobulin light chain amyloidosis, TTR transthyretin, BMB bone marrow biopsy, SIFE serum immunofixation electrophoresis, UIFE urine immunofixation electrophoresis, LC/MS liquid chromatography-coupled tandem mass spectrometry, PYP (99m)Tc-pyrophosphate scintigraphy

## Two types of amyloidosis presenting in a single patient: a case series

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### Abstract

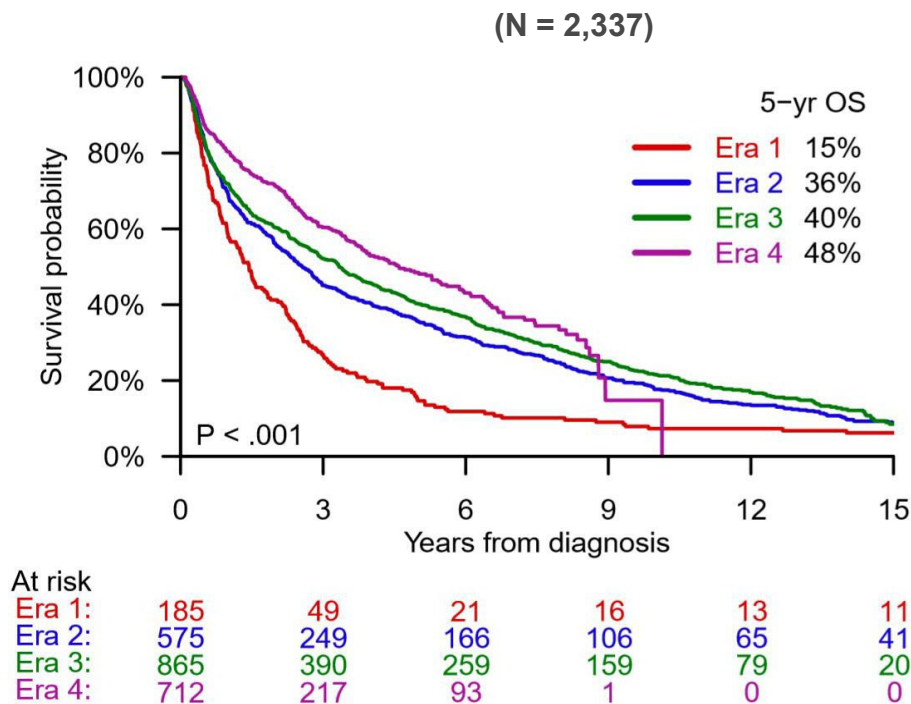
The amyloidoses are a group of disorders with overlapping clinical presentations, characterized by aggregation and tissue deposition of misfolded proteins. The nature and source of the amyloidogenic protein determines therapy, therefore correct subtyping is critical to patient management. We report the clinicopathologic features of nine patients diagnosed with two amyloid types confirmed by liquid chromatography-coupled tandem mass spectrometry. The most common types were transthyretin ( $n = 9$ ) and immunoglobulin-derived ( $n = 7$ ). Two patients did not have immunoglobulin-derived amyloidosis despite the presence of a monoclonal gammopathy. Eight patients were diagnosed with two types concurrently, and one patient had an 11-year interval between diagnoses. Histopathological distribution of amyloid was variable with vascular, interstitial, and periosteal deposits seen. Identification of a second type was incidental in seven patients, but led to genetic counselling in one patient and therapy directed at both amyloid subtypes in another. With longer survival of myeloma and AL amyloidosis patients and increasing prevalence of patients with wild-type transthyretin amyloidosis due to an aging population, the phenomenon of two amyloid types in a single patient will be encountered more frequently. In light of revolutionary new therapies for transthyretin amyloidosis (patisiran, tafamidis, and inotersen), recognition of dual amyloid types is highly clinically relevant.





**TREATMENT**

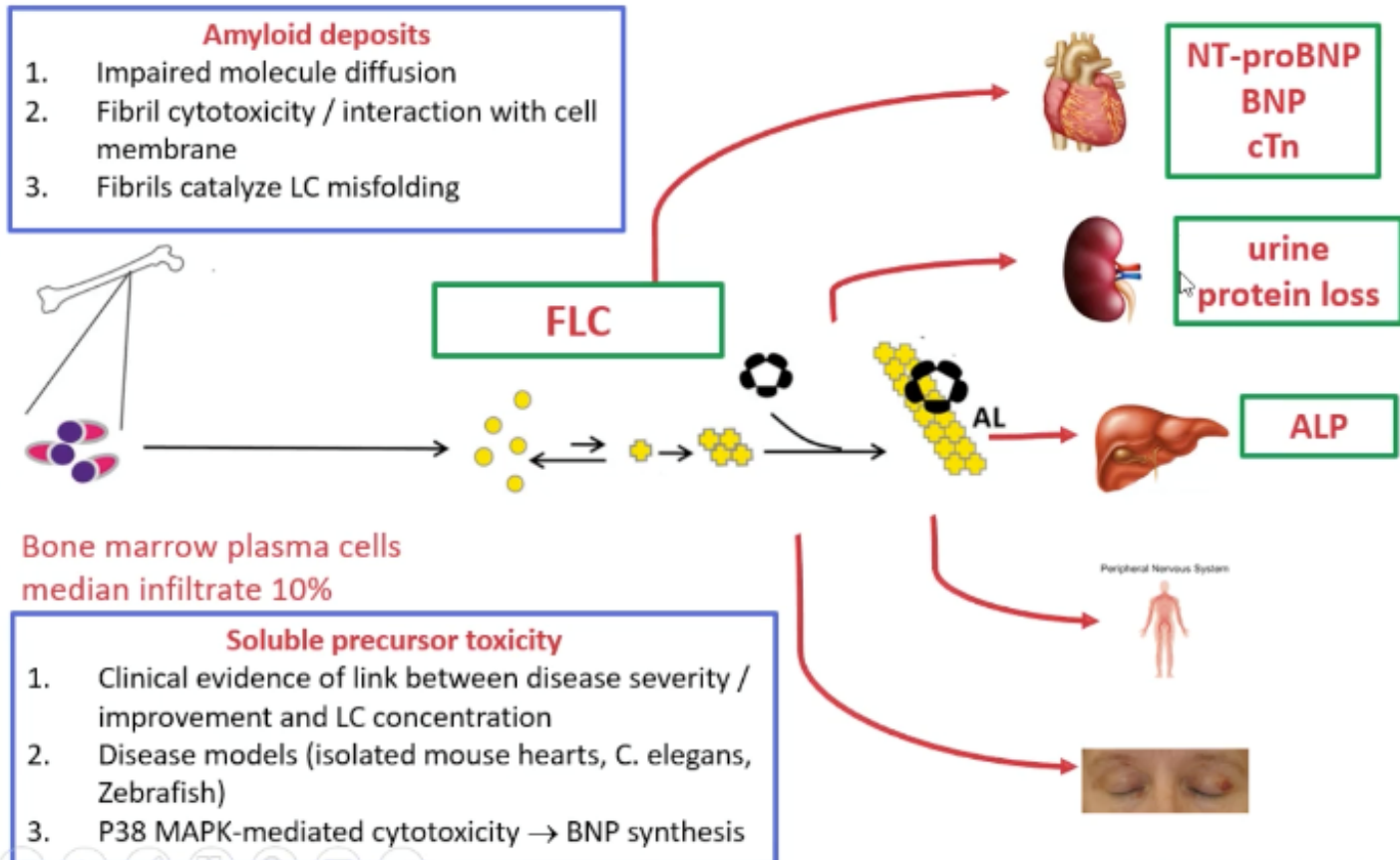
# Overall Survival of Patients with AL Amyloidosis



Stratum	Median OS, years
Era 1 1980–1989	1.4
Era 2 1990–1999	2.6
Era 3 2000–2010	3.3
Era 4 2010–2019	4.6



## A dangerous small clone that causes multiple organ dysfunction



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## ASCT Eligible

### Eligibility Criteria

- Age <70 years
- ECOG performance status <2
- NYHA Class <III
- LVEF >45%
- SBP  $\geq$ 100mmHg
- TnT <0.06 ng/mL or high-sensitivity (hs)-TnT <75 ng/mL
- NT-proBNP <5000 ng/L
- CrCl >50 ml/min (unless on chronic dialysis)
- Bilirubin <2 mg/dL
- DLCO >50%
- No more than 2 organs significantly involved

### Induction

- Consider if high tumor burden (BMPC > 10%)
- Bortezomib-based regimens considered first line and confer deeper hematologic response
- IMiD/PI-based regimens emerging option, possibly positive predictor of improved OS

### Stem Cell Mobilization

- G-CSF 10–16  $\mu$ g/kg/day split into 2 doses
- Plerixafor if mobilization fails
- Avoid cyclophosphamide use to limit cardiac toxicity

### High-dose Melphalan and ASCT

- 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Consider deferring ASCT if patient with low-risk disease achieves CR during induction therapy

### Common adverse events

- Arrhythmias
- Worsening heart failure
- Progression to ESRD

## ASCT Ineligible

### Daratumumab-based regimen

- Daratumumab-CyBorD vs CyBorD
- Higher hematologic, cardiac, cardiac and renal response with prolonged PFS

### Bortezomib-based regimen

- If daratumumab not available or contraindicated
- Avoid in the setting of pre-existing neuropathy (consider carfilzomib or attenuated dose)
- Weekly subcutaneous dosing is recommended
- Lower dose (0.7-1.0 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) initiation and up-titration as tolerable useful to limit cardiac burden

### BMDex

- Considered first line
- Significantly improved hematologic response compared to Mdex translating to improved PFS and OS.

### CyBorD

- Also considered first line, however reports suggest no benefit from cyclophosphamide addition. (Kastritis et al. Blood Cancer Journal. 2017)
- Less effective than BMDex in t(11;14) disease (Bochtler et al. J Clin Oncol. 2015.)

### Vd

- Also an option, triplet-regimens preferred when possible.

### Mdex

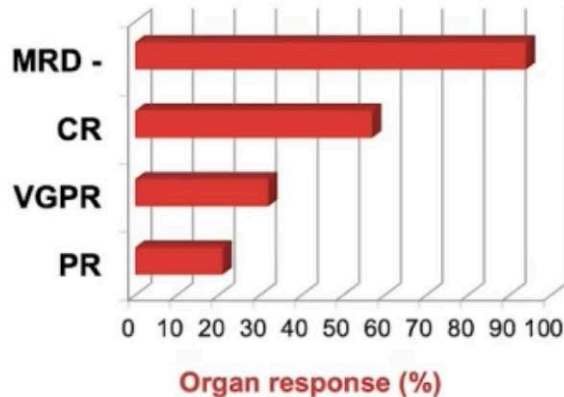
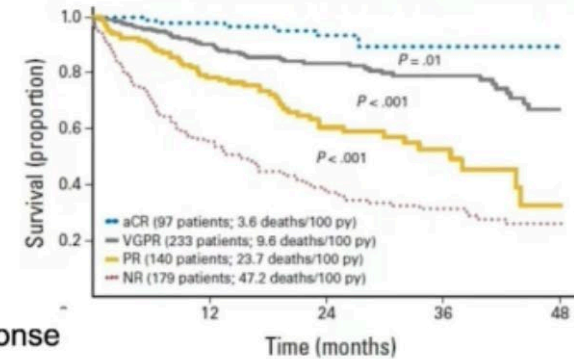
- Effective when bortezomib unavailable or contraindicated
- First standard-intensity regimen with meaningful hematological response
- Low-dose dex should be considered in elderly patients with severe renal or cardiac involvement

### Future therapies

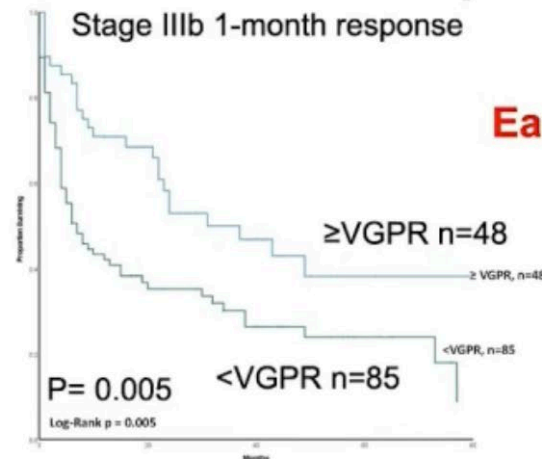
- CAEL-101 for clearing amyloid deposits
- Carfilzomib when significant neuropathy present
- Low-dose IMiD addition (Lenalidomide/Pomalidomide)
- Venetoclax in t(11;14)

# AL amyloidosis – response assessment based on **graded FLC reduction**

Criteria	Definition	HR (95%CI)	P
<b>CR</b>	Negative s & u IFE + normal. FLCR	reference	-
<b>VGPR</b>	dFLC <40 mg/L	2.67 (1.26-5.66)	0.01
<b>PR</b>	dFLC decrease >50%	6.24 (2.96-16.15)	<0.001
<b>NR</b>	All other patients	12.34 (6.03-25.35)	<0.001



Palladini et al, *BCJ* 2021



Ravichandran et al, *BCJ* 2021

**Early and deep HR is vital aim at:**

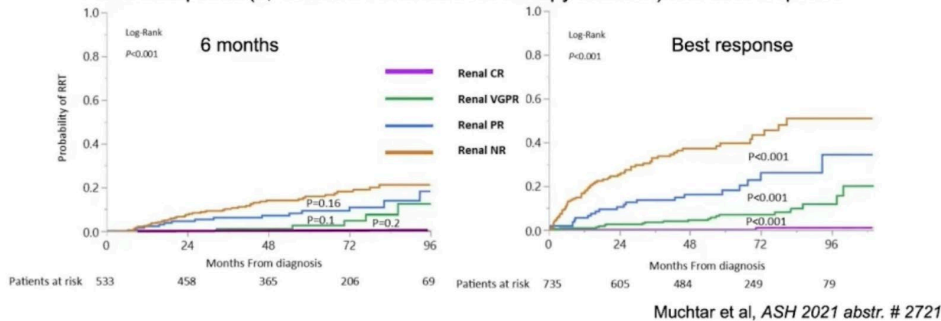
- PR by 1 month**
- VGPR by 2 months**
- OR by 3/6 months**
- MRD- if CR & no OR**



# ORGAN RESPONSE ASSESSMENT

## Graded renal response assessment

- **Renal complete response (renCR):** 24-h proteinuria  $\leq 200$  mg/24-h
- **Renal very good partial response (renVGPR):**  $>60\%$  reduction in 24-h proteinuria
- **Renal PR (renPR):** 31-60% reduction
- **Renal NR (renNR):**  $\leq 30\%$  reduction.
- Response was assessed compared to baseline at:
  - Fixed time points (6, 12 and 24 months from therapy initiation) and best response



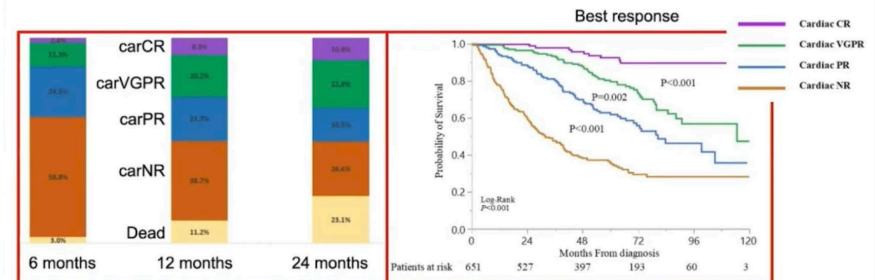
## Graded cardiac response assessment

- **Cardiac complete response (carCR):** nadir NT-proBNP  $\leq 350$  pg/mL or BNP  $\leq 80$  pg/mL)
- **Cardiac very good partial response (carVGPR):**  $>60\%$  reduction in NT-proBNP/BNP from baseline)
- **Cardiac PR (carPR):** 31-60% reduction
- **Cardiac NR (carNR):**  $\leq 30\%$  reduction

- Response was assessed compared to baseline at:
- Fixed time points (6, 12 and 24 months from therapy initiation) and best response
- The primary outcome was overall survival based on depth of cardiac response

Muchtar et al, ASH 2021 abstr. #2720

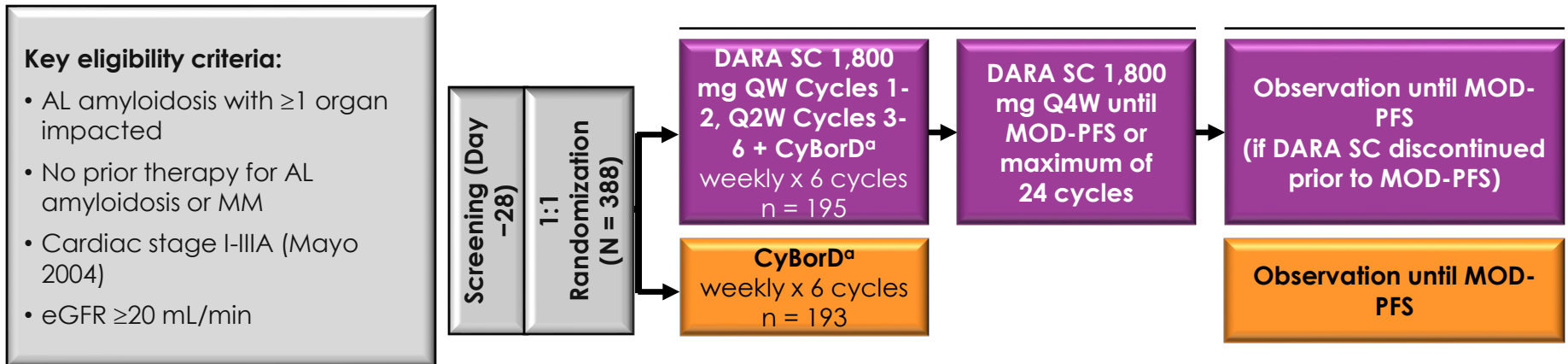
## Graded cardiac response assessment



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# ANDROMEDA is a randomized, open-label, active-controlled, phase 3 study of DARA SC plus CyBorD versus CyBorD alone in newly diagnosed AL amyloidosis

Kastritis et al N Engl J Med 2021;385(1):46-58.



## Stratification criteria:

- Cardiac stage (I vs II vs IIIa)
- Transplant typically offered in local country (yes vs no)
- Creatinine clearance ( $\geq 60$  mL/min vs  $< 60$  mL/min)

**Primary endpoint:** Overall hematologic CR rate

**Secondary endpoints:** MOD-PFS, organ response rate, time to hematologic response, overall survival, safety

DARA, daratumumab; SC, subcutaneous; CyBorD, cyclophosphamide/bortezomib/dexamethasone; AL, amyloid light chain; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; QW, weekly; Q2W, every 2 weeks; Q4W, every 4 weeks; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; CR, complete response; MOD-PFS, major organ deterioration progression-free survival; OS, overall survival.

<sup>a</sup>Dexamethasone 40 mg IV or PO, followed by cyclophosphamide 300 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV or PO, followed by bortezomib 1.3 mg/m<sup>2</sup> SC on Days 1, 8, 15, and 22 in every 28-day cycle for a maximum of 6 cycles. Patients will receive dexamethasone 20 mg on the day of DARA SC dosing and 20 mg on the day after DARA SC dosing.

# Hematologic Overall Response

ORR, overall response rate; CR, complete response; VGPR, very good partial response; PR, partial response; DARA, daratumumab; CyBorD, cyclophosphamide/bortezomib/dexamethasone.  
<sup>a</sup>Among responders (DARA-CyBorD, n = 179; CyBorD, n = 148).

## ANDROMEDA: Over 2 Years of Follow-up, Hematologic Response Rates Deepened Over Time With D-VCd Versus VCd

- Longer follow-up confirmed the increasingly higher rate of hematologic CR<sup>a</sup> with D-VCd versus VCd (60% versus 19%)
  - Within the D-VCd arm, the hematologic CR rate deepened over time (53% versus 60% with 14.4 months longer follow-up)
  - Rate of  $\geq$ VGPR<sup>b</sup> within the D-VCd arm increased from 77% to 79%



<sup>a</sup>Defined here as normalization of free light chain (FLC) levels and ratio (FLCr) and negative serum and urine immunofixation; normalization of uninvolved FLC level and FLCr were not required if involved FLC was lower than the upper limit of normal; <sup>b</sup>Among  $\geq$ VGPR responders (D-VCd, n=154; VCd, n=97).

CR, complete response; D-VCd, daratumumab, bortezomib, cyclophosphamide, dexamethasone; VCd, bortezomib, cyclophosphamide, dexamethasone; VGPR, very

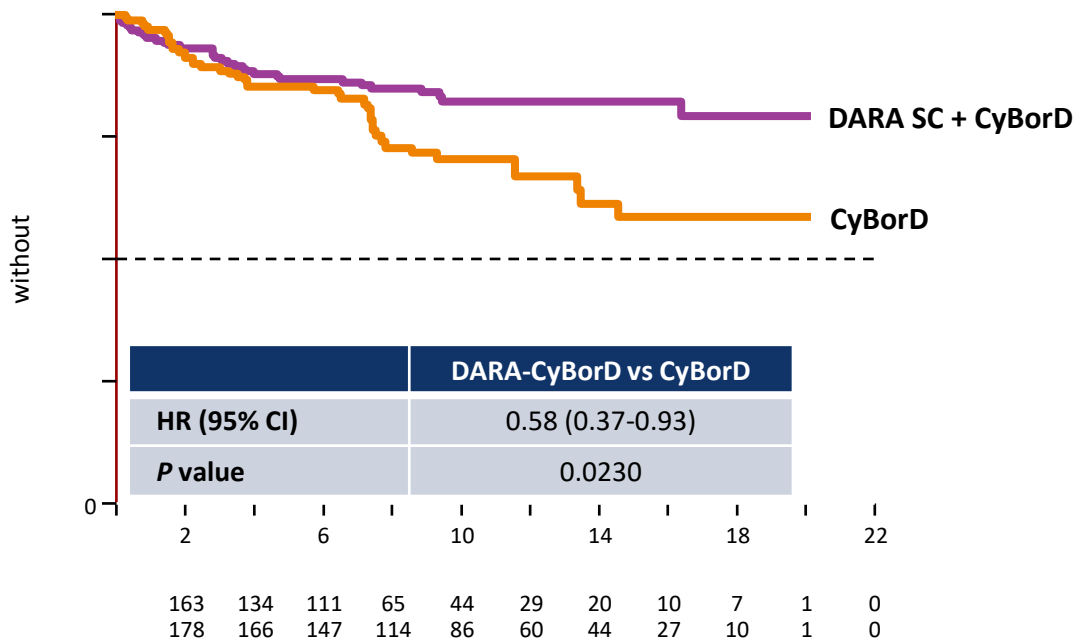
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**Significantly higher rates of response were observed with DARA-CyBorD**

- Median time to  $\geq$ VGPR:<sup>a</sup>
  - DARA-CyBorD: 17 days
  - CyBorD: 25 days

# Major Organ Deterioration (MOD)-PFS<sup>a</sup>



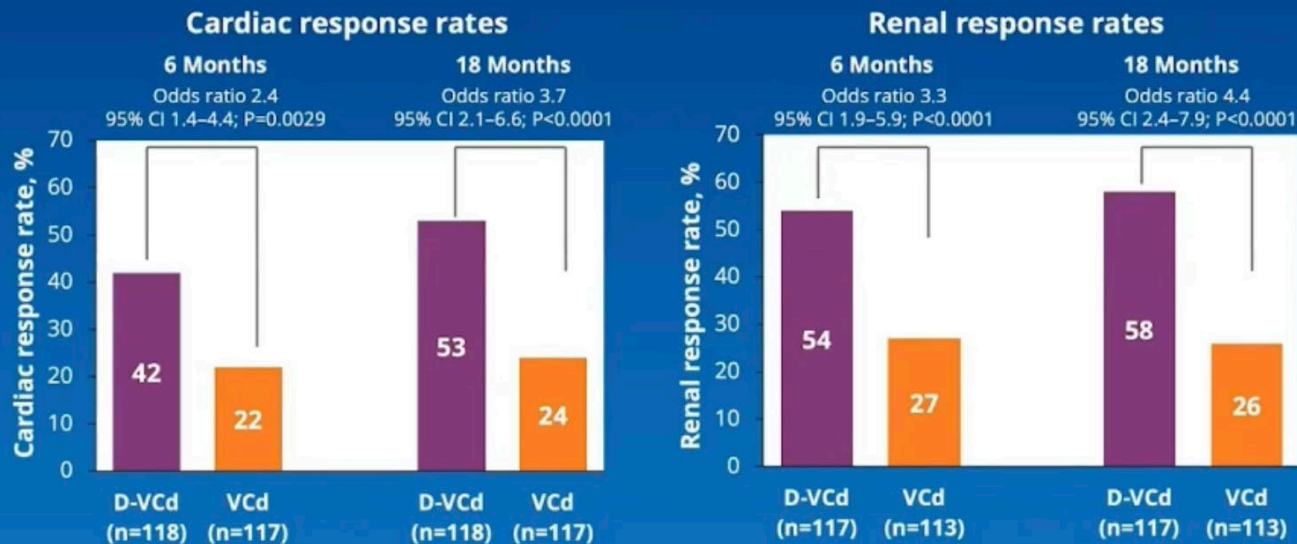
- At a median follow-up of 11.4 months, MOD-PFS<sup>a</sup> was improved with DARA-CyBorD<sup>b</sup>
- Results were consistent when not censored for subsequent therapy
- Median time to next treatment:
  - DARA-CyBorD: not reached
  - CyBorD: 10.4 months

**Treatment with DARA-CyBorD substantially delayed major organ deterioration**

# Organ Response at 6 months<sup>a</sup>

Cardiac and renal response rates were doubled with DARA-CyBorD versus CyBorD

## ANDROMEDA: Organ Response Rates at 18 Months Continued to Improve With D-VCd Versus VCd



Clinical cutoff July 2021.

D-VCd, daratumumab, bortezomib, cyclophosphamide, dexamethasone; VCd, bortezomib, cyclophosphamide, dexamethasone

Presented at the 63<sup>rd</sup> American Society of Hematology (ASH) Annual Meeting & Exposition, December 11-14, 2021, Atlanta, GA, virtual.

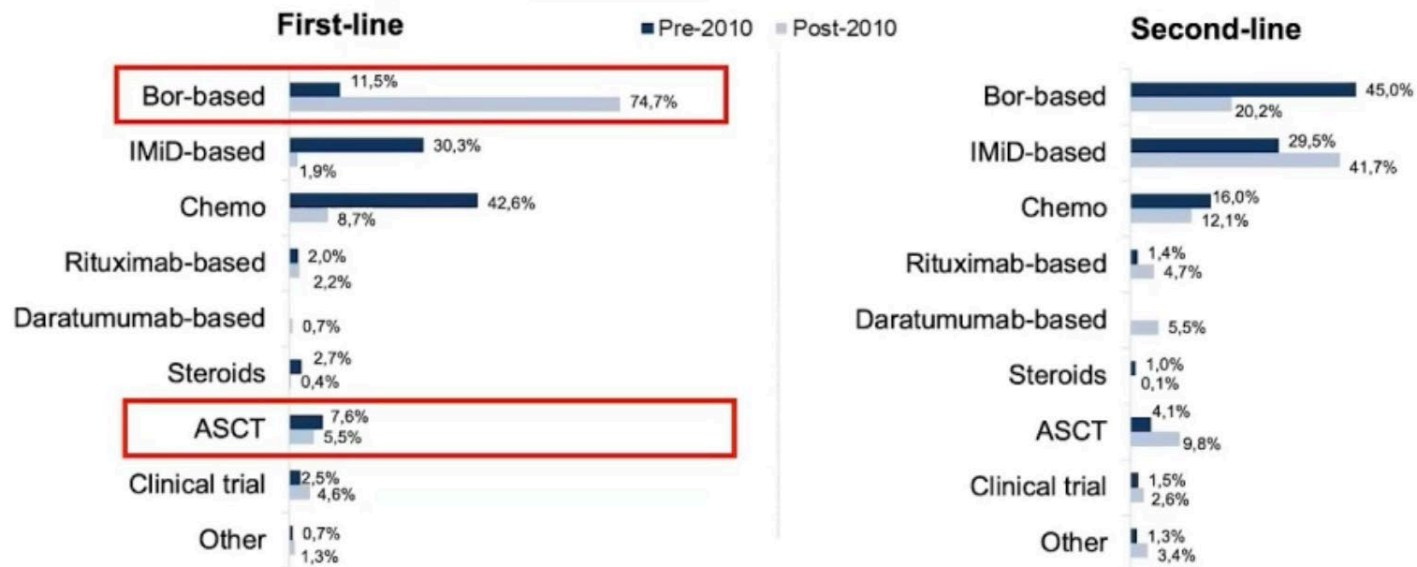
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<sup>a</sup>Organ response evaluable set (patients with organ involvement).

<sup>b</sup>Nominal P value.

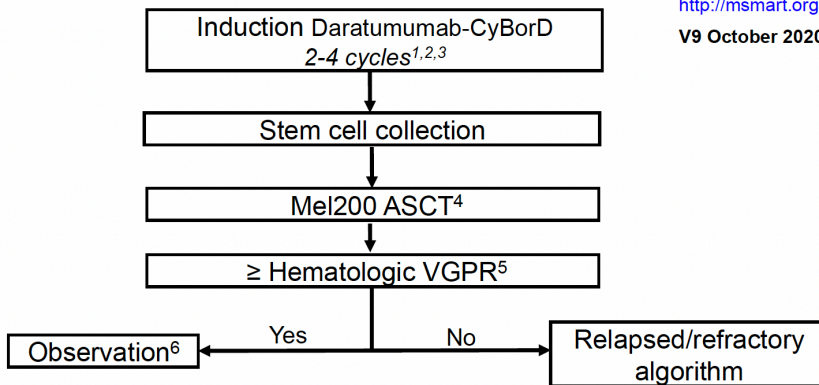
## Prevalence of regimen groups by line of treatment in Europe (4500 patients)

After 2010, Bortezomib-based regimens became the most widely used treatment at first line by far, and IMiDs became the primary salvage option.



## Newly Diagnosed AL Amyloidosis - Transplant eligible

<http://msmart.org>  
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<sup>1</sup>Consider adding doxycycline for at least a year

<sup>2</sup>If daratumumab is not accessible, CyBorD is an acceptable alternative regimen (weekly bortezomib only)

<sup>3</sup>If CR, option to observe without ASCT for patients with low disease burden and proceed as transplant ineligible algorithm

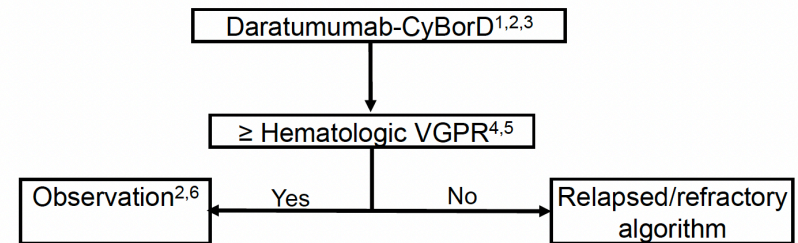
<sup>4</sup>For CrCl <30, use Mel 140 mg/m<sup>2</sup>

<sup>5</sup>Decision to change therapy if in VGPR but < CR is based on a number clinical factors. Re-refer to amyloid center of excellence

<sup>6</sup>For patients with overt multiple, use myeloma-type maintenance; consider for BMPCs ≥20% and high-risk FISH (del 17p, t(4;14), t(14;16) and t(14;20)). Please refer for myeloma mSMART guidelines for choice of maintenance

## Newly Diagnosed AL Amyloidosis - Transplant ineligible<sup>#</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Consider adding doxycycline for at least a year

<sup>2</sup>If daratumumab-CyBorD, 6 cycles followed by daratumumab monotherapy, completing up to 24 cycles. If daratumumab is not accessible, CyBorD or BMDex for 6-12 cycles are acceptable alternative regimens (weekly bortezomib)

<sup>3</sup>If young, consider stem cell collection for eventual ASCT if eligibility for transplant is foreseeable

<sup>4</sup>If < PR at 2 months or < VGPR within 4 cycles change therapy, unless signs of organ response are seen

<sup>5</sup>Decision to change therapy if in VGPR but < CR is based on a number clinical factors. Re-refer to amyloid center of excellence

<sup>6</sup>Only for patients with overt multiple myeloma, BMPCs ≥20% or high-risk FISH and who are not receiving extended duration daratumumab, consider maintenance. Lenalidomide should not be used in patients with advanced heart or autonomic nerve involvement

<sup>#</sup>For IgM AL amyloidosis consider referral to amyloidosis center due to a more challenging management



# EHA-ISA Guidelines for Stem Cell Transplantation in AL Amyloidosis

## Eligibility Criteria

- Age >18 and <70 years
- At least one vital organ involvement
- Left ventricular ejection fraction ≥40% and NYHA class <III
- Oxygen saturation ≥95% on room air and DLCO >50%
- Supine systolic blood pressure ≥90 mm Hg
- ECOG performance status score ≤2
- Direct Bilirubin <2 mg/dL
- NTproBNP <5000 pg/mL
- Troponin I <0.1 ng/mL, Troponin T <0.06 ng/mL, hs-Troponin T <75 ng/mL

## Induction Therapy

- Consider if bone marrow plasmacytosis >10%
- Bortezomib based regimen 2-4 cycles
- Defer SCT if hematologic CR achieved with induction therapy

## Stem Cell Mobilization and Collection

- G-CSF at 10-16 mcg/kg/day (single or split dose)
- Plerixafor on demand or planned
- Avoid cyclophosphamide

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## Summary of the EHA-ISA Working Group Guidelines for High-dose Chemotherapy and Stem Cell Transplantation for Systemic AL Amyloidosis

Vaishali Sanchorawala

## Risk-Adapted Melphalan Dosing

	MEL 200 <sup>a</sup>	MEL 200 vs non-SCT regimens <sup>b</sup>	MEL 140
Age (years)	≤65	66-70	
Cardiac stage	I	II	
eGFR (mL/min/m <sup>2</sup> )	>50	30-50	≤30 <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup> must meet **all** criteria

<sup>b</sup> multidisciplinary discussion recommended

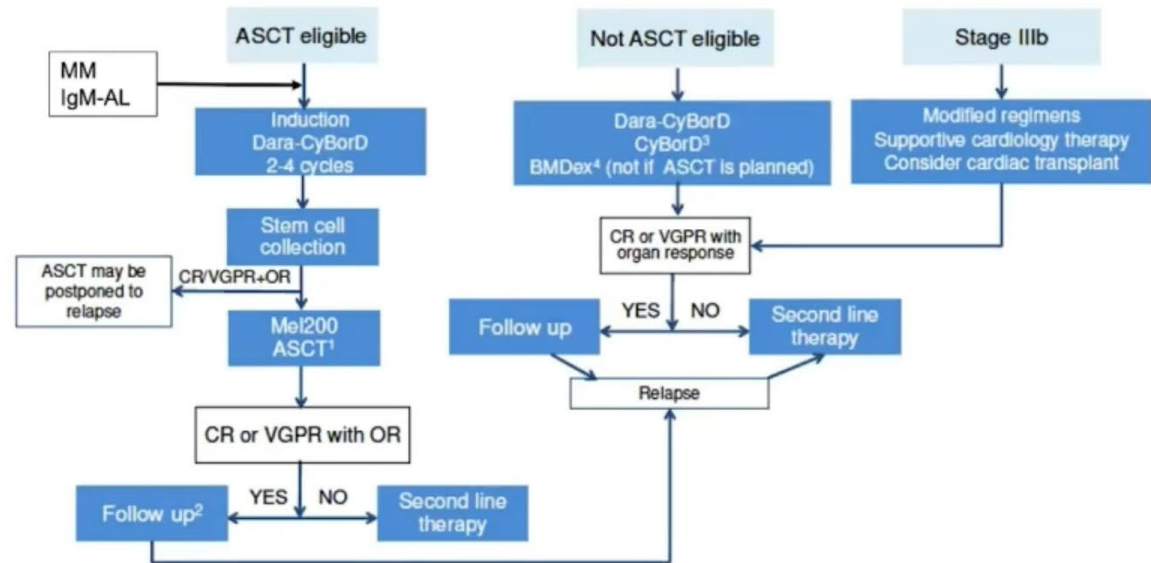
<sup>c</sup> increased risk of AKI and ESRD during the peri-SCT period; may consider if on a stable chronic dialysis schedule





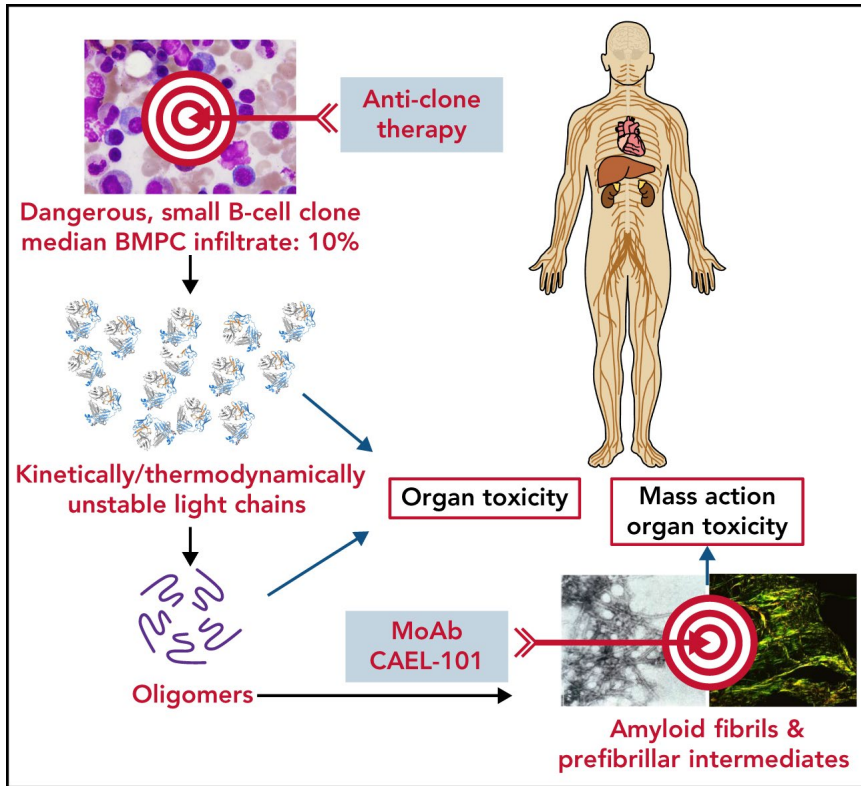
**Giampaolo Merlini**

## New standards of care in AL amyloidosis



1. For patients with eGFR <30mL/min, Mel140 may be considered  
2. For patients with multiple myeloma, consider maintenance

3. If daratumumab is not available  
4. For patients with severe neuropathy, MDex can be considered



### Relapsed/Refractory

#### Hematological relapse $\geq 2$ years since the last therapy

- Repeat original therapy

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> line therapy: Daratumumab-based regimen

- Excellent ORR ranging from 63-100%
- 2-year OS rate of 74%

#### High-dose Melphalan and ASCT

- Transplantation is always an option for relapsed/refractory disease either as first transplant or repeat transplant.
- Evaluate eligibility and availability of alternative novel agents.

#### Bortezomib-sensitive

- CyBorD, BMDex, or Vd

#### Bortezomib-resistant: IMiDs-based regimen

- IMiDs generally not well tolerated by AL amyloidosis patients

#### Len-Dex

- Low starting dose of lenalidomide 5-15mg/day and uptitrate as tolerated.
- Monitor for fluid retention, cardiac biomarkers and kidney function.

#### Pom-Dex

- Slightly better tolerated, consider when available.
- Can increase proBNP/BNP without clinical congestive heart failure.

#### Second-generation PI

##### Ixazomib

- Ixa-Dex, Ixa-Cy-Dex
- Oral regimen, usually very effective and well tolerated.

##### Carfilzomib

- Challenging given cardiotoxicity profile
- Lower maximum tolerated dose compared to multiple myeloma (36mg/m<sup>2</sup>)

#### Other agents

- Venetoclax especially in t(11;14) disease
- Bendamustine especially in combination with rituximab in IgM-amyloidosis.
- Isatuximab



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**Table 3. Ongoing studies of novel therapies in AL amyloidosis**

Drug	Mechanism of action	Trial identifier	Phase	Population	Enrollment target
Cael-101	Fibril-directed therapy Anti-light chain antibody	NCT04304144	2 (part A with VCD; part B with DVCD)	NDAL	25
Cael-101	Fibril-directed therapy Anti-light chain antibody	NCT04512235	3 (randomized, double blind)	NDAL (IIIA)	267
Cael-101	Fibril-directed therapy Anti-light chain antibody	NCT04504825	3 (randomized, double blind)	NDAL (IIIB)	111
Doxycycline	Fibril-directed therapy Fibril stabilizer	NCT03474458	2/3	NDAL	120
Isatuximab	Plasma cell-directed therapy Anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody	NCT04754945	1	NDAL (high risk=Mayo 2012 stage IV, Mayo 2004 IIIB BUMC 2019 3B)	25
Isatuximab	Plasma cell-directed therapy	NCT03499808	2	R/R	43
Venetoclax	Plasma cell-directed therapy BCL2 inhibitor	NCT02994784	1	R/R	24
Belantamab	Plasma cell-directed therapy Anti-BCMA antibody drug conjugate	NCT04617925	2	R/R	35
Melflufen	Plasma cell-directed therapy Alkylating agent	NCT04115956	1/2	R/R (after 1L)	46
STI-6129	Plasma cell-directed therapy Anti-CD38 antibody drug conjugate	NCT04316442	1	R/R (≥2)	60

DVCD, daratumumab, bortezomib, cyclophosphamide, dexamethasone; NDAL, newly diagnosed AL amyloidosis; R/R, relapsed/refractory; 1L, first line.



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