

Mantle Cell Lymphoma Management in North Carolina: Updates for 2020

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Case Presentation

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MCL Case

- 82y F with no PMH presents with palpable lymphadenopathy and fatigue.
- ECOG: 0 (patient is very active)
- Palpable LAD on exam (axilla, inguinal)
- Had excisional inguinal LN biopsy:
 - Pathology c/w non-blastoid MCL
 - Ki67 Proliferation Index=10%
 - Translocation (11;14)

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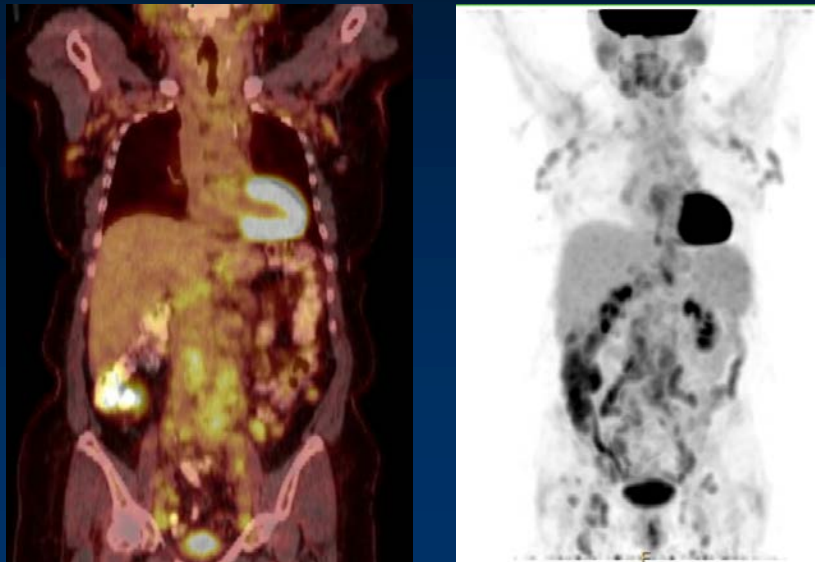
Labwork

- WBC: 8.8
- Hg: 15.3
- Plats: 196
- CMP: Normal
- LDH: 763
- HBV/HIV: Negative



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Staging PET-CT



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MCL Case

- The patient started surveillance, which lasted for 1 year
- Her LAD progressed, and she had worsening fatigue.
- Decision was made to proceed with further workup and treatment.



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Background



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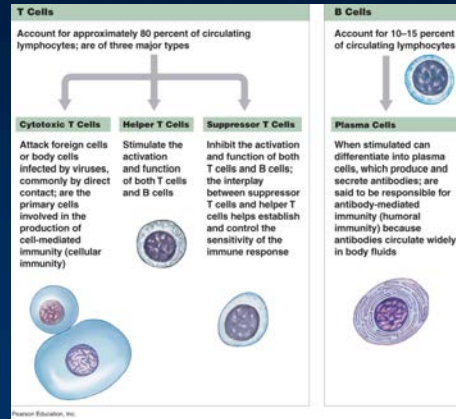
What is Lymphoma?

Adaptive Immune System:

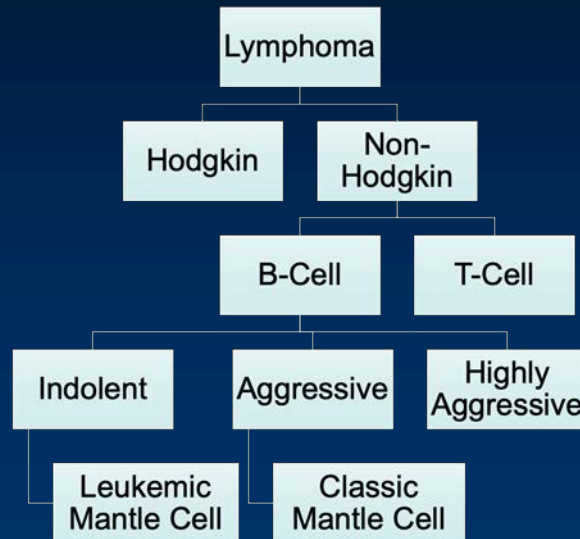
- B Cells (Humoral immunity)
- T Cells (Cell-mediated immunity)

Lymphoma = Cancer of *mature* B-cells and T-cells

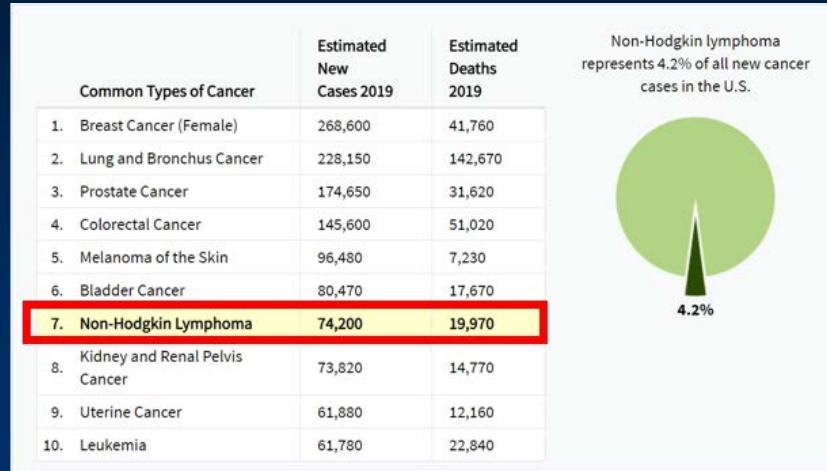
Generally in Lymph Nodes



Lymphoma Classification



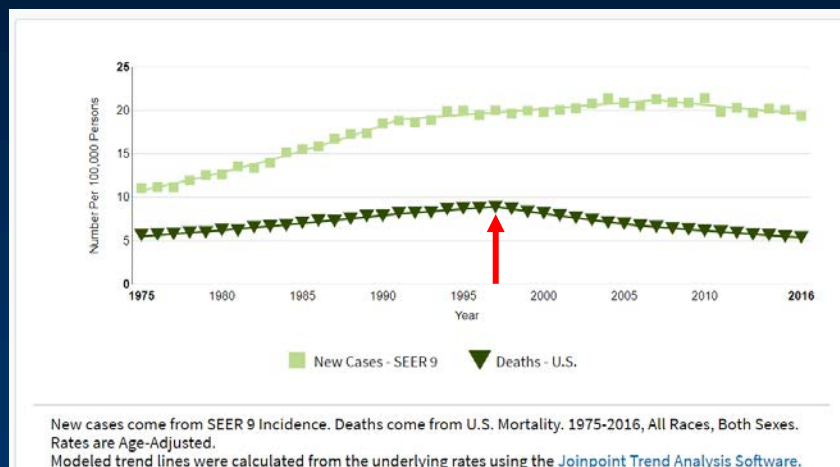
Lymphoma Epidemiology



SEER Cancer Statistics Factsheets: Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma. NCI. Bethesda, MD, <http://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/nhl.html>

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Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma: SEER

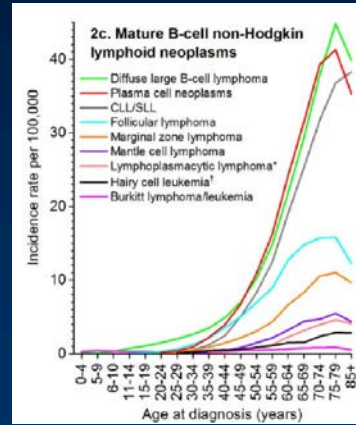


SEER Cancer Statistics Factsheets: Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma. NCI. Bethesda, MD, <http://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/nhl.html>

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MCL Background

- Usually **aggressive**, but **NOT** considered curable
- Rare disease:
 - 3-6% of NHL
 - Incidence: 0.8 cases/100,000 pop
 - **3,320 cases/year** in US
- Median Age: 68; Men (3:1)



Teras, Ca Cancer J Clin, 2016

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Diagnosis and Workup

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Diagnosis

Morphology:

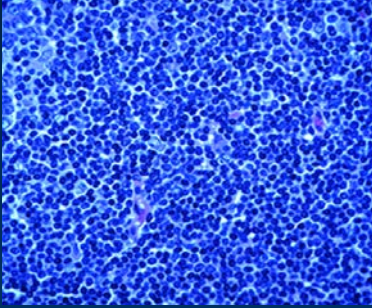
- Small-med cells; slightly irregular nucleus



Flow/IHC:

- B-cell Markers: CD19, CD20, PAX5
- Aberrant T-cell Expression: CD5+
- CD23-, FMC7+ (opposite of CLL)

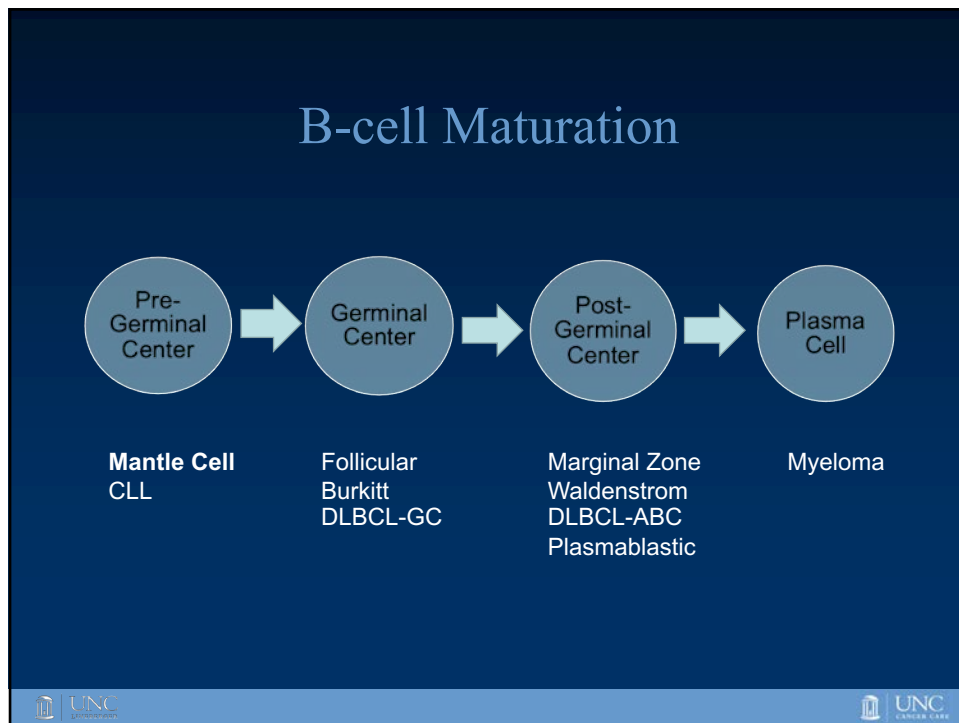
Confirm:

- **CyclinD1 +**
- **t(11;14)** (leads to overexpression of Cyclin D1)

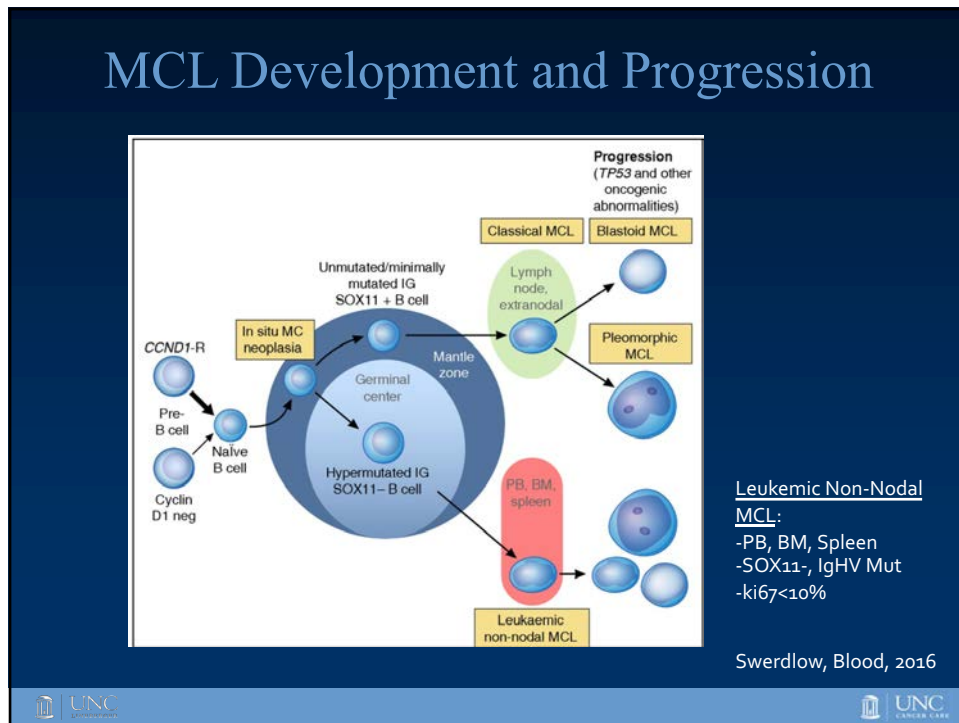


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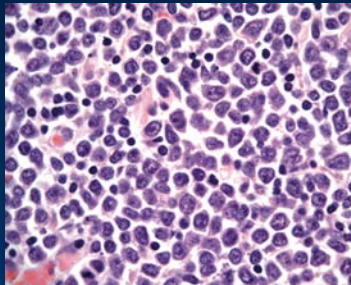
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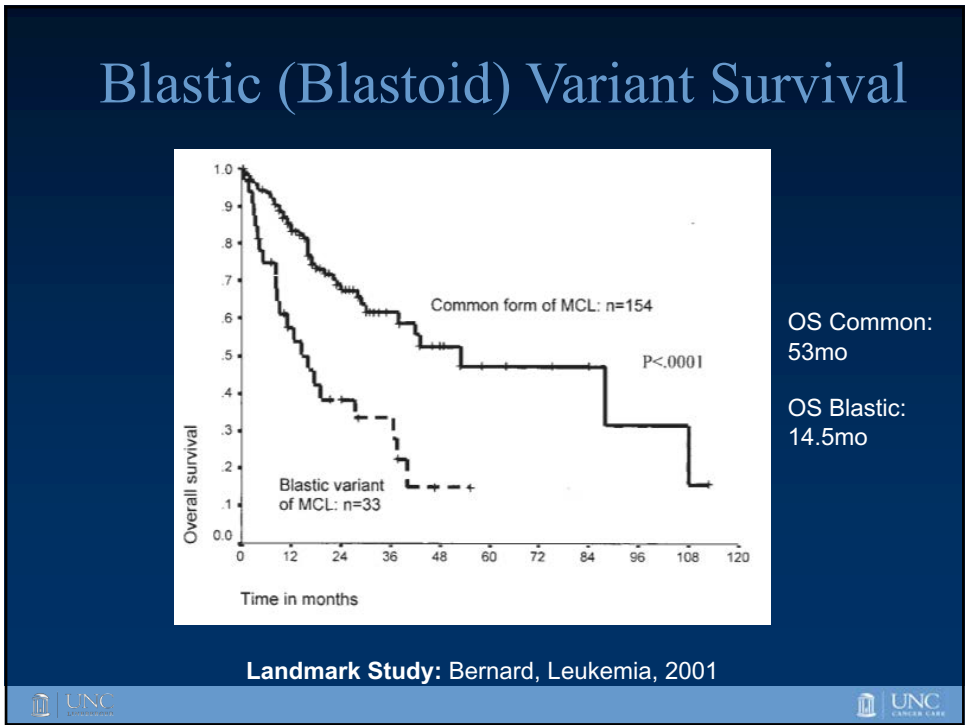
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High Risk Features

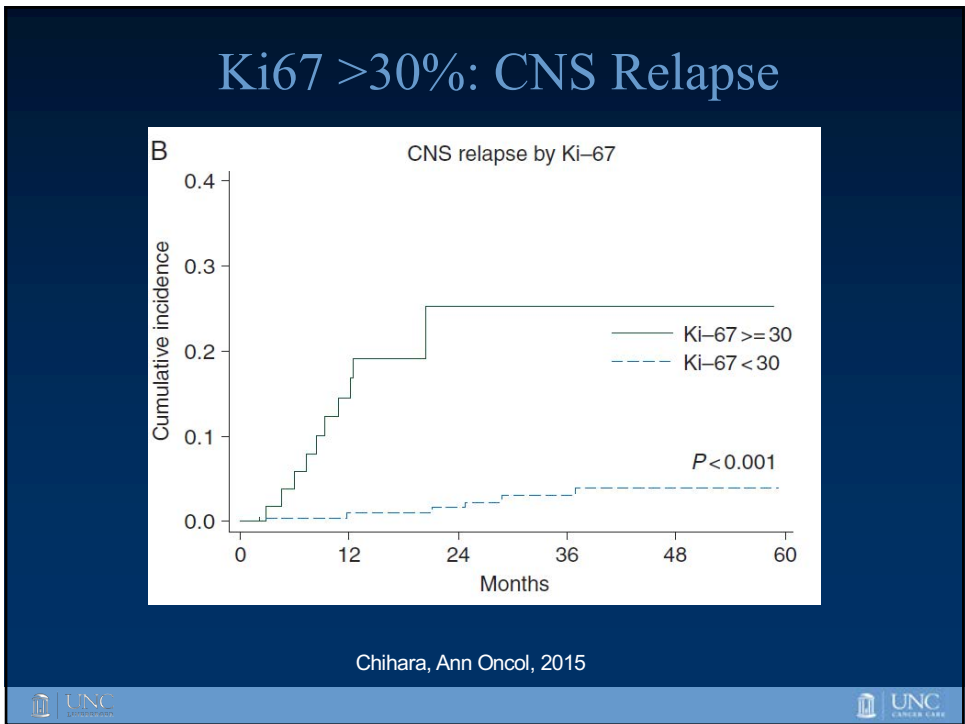
- Morphology:
 - Blastoid or Pleomorphic
 - Medium cells; large irregular nuclei
 - Increased risk of CNS relapse
- IHC: Ki67 >30%
 - Increased risk of CNS relapse
- Molecular: TP53 mutated
- Prognostic Score: MIPI



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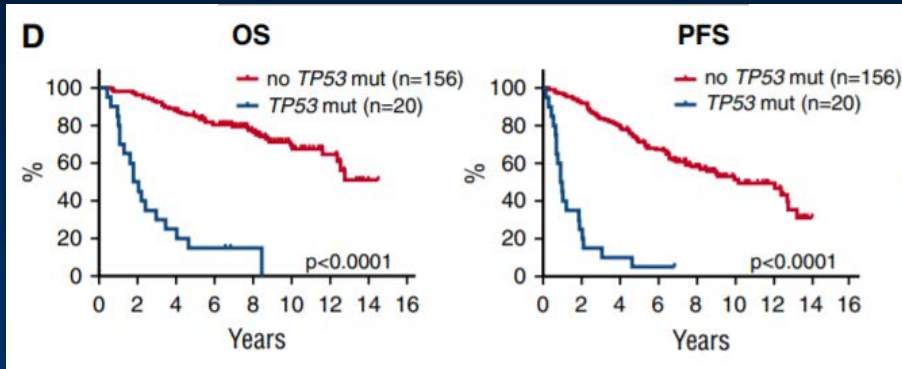


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TP53 Mutations and Survival



mOS no TP53: 12.7 yrs

mOS TP53: 1.8 yrs

Eskelund, Blood, 2017

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Prognosis: MIPI

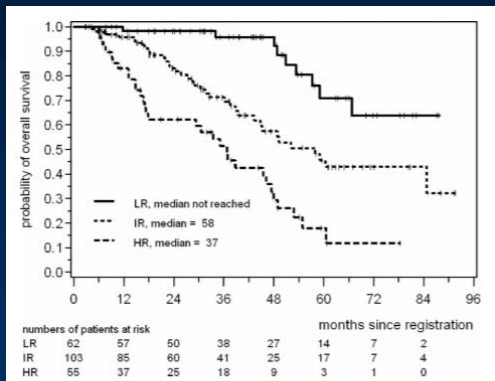


Figure 4. Overall survival according to the combined biologic index (MIPI_c) in 220 patients with Ki-67 available. LR indicates low risk, combined biologic score (CBS) less than 5.7; IR, intermediate risk, CBS 5.7 or more but less than 6.5; and HR, high risk, CBS 6.5 or more. The combined biologic score is calculated as 0.03535 times age (years) plus 0.6978 (if ECOG > 1) plus 1.367 times log₁₀(LDH/ULN) plus 0.9393 times log₁₀(WBC count) plus 0.02142 times Ki-67 (%).

Factors:

- Age
- ECOG
- LDH
- WBC
- Ki-67

Landmark Study: Hoster, Blood, 2008

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Risk Factor Summary

Clinical Course	Newly Diagnosed MCL
Ultra-high risk	De novo blastoid/pleomorphic histology Ki-67 \geq 30%/50% in involved tissues with blastoid/pleomorphic histology ^a TP53 mutated with other high-risk gene mutations (<i>KMT2D</i> , <i>NSD2</i> , <i>CCND1</i> , <i>NOTCH1</i> , <i>CDKN2A</i> , <i>NOTCH2</i> , <i>SMARCA4</i>) CNS involvement
High risk	Blastoid/pleomorphic histology Ki-67 \geq 30%/50% in involved tissues with classic histology ^a TP53 mutated with high variant allele frequency (\geq 10%) or del(17p) by FISH Complex karyotype Simplified high-risk MIPI score (\geq 6.2) Bulky disease ^b
Standard risk	Classic histology Ki-67 < 30% in involved tissues Presence of B symptoms Bulky or nonbulky disease ^b No other features of high-risk disease
Generally smoldering or indolent	Classic histology Ki-67 < 30% in involved tissues Low-risk MIPI score No B symptoms Nonnodal leukemic MCL type Low tumor burden No other features of high-risk disease

Jain, JCO, 2020

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Workup

- Labs: CBC, CMP, LDH, TLS, HBV, HIV, +/- peripheral flow, +/- BM bx
- Imaging: PET-CT
- TTE: pre-transplant
- GI Involvement Common
 - Endoscopy/Colonoscopy to confirm stage I/II
- CNS Workup for Blastoid/Pleomorphic, Ki67>30%
 - Lumbar Puncture with CSF for flow
 - MRI brain if symptoms

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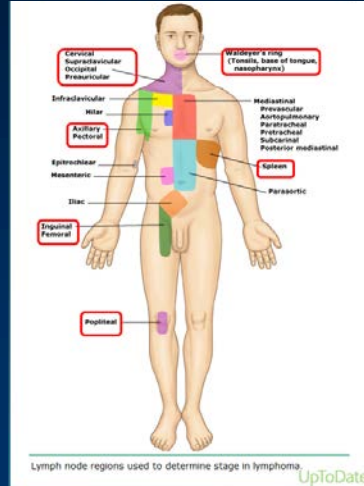
Ann Arbor/Lugano Staging

Revised staging system for primary nodal lymphomas (Lugano classification)

Stage	Involvement	Extranodal (E) status
Limited		
I	One node or a group of adjacent nodes	Single extranodal lesions without nodal involvement
II	Two or more nodal groups on the same side of the diaphragm	Stage I or II by nodal extent with limited contiguous extranodal involvement
II bulky*	II as above with "bulky" disease	Not applicable
Advanced		
III	Nodes on both sides of the diaphragm; nodes above the diaphragm with spleen involvement	Not applicable
IV	Additional noncontiguous extralymphatic involvement	Not applicable

Extent of disease is determined by positron emission tomograph/computed tomography (PET/CT) for avid lymphomas and CT for nonavid histologies. Tonsils, Waldeyer's ring, and spleen are considered nodal tissue.

* Whether stage II bulky disease is treated as limited or advanced disease may be determined by histology and a number of prognostic factors.



Lymph node regions used to determine stage in lymphoma.

UpToDate

Cheson et al, JCO, 2014

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Lugano Response Criteria

Response	Site	PET-CT (Metabolic response)
	Lymph nodes and extralymphatic sites	Score 1, 2, or 3 ^a with or without a residual mass on 5 point scale (5-PS) ^{b,c}
Complete response	Non-measured lesion	Not applicable
	Organ enlargement	Not applicable
	New Lesions	None
	Bone Marrow	No evidence of FDG-avid disease in marrow
	Lymph nodes and extralymphatic sites	Score 4 or 5 ^b with reduced uptake compared with baseline. No new or progressive lesions. At interim these findings suggest responding disease. At end of treatment these findings may indicate residual disease.
Partial response	Non-measured lesion	Not applicable
	Organ enlargement	Not applicable
	New Lesions	None

PET Five Point Scale (5-PS)

- 1 No uptake above background
- 2 Uptake ≤ mediastinum
- 3 Uptake > mediastinum but ≤ liver
- 4 Uptake moderately > liver
- 5 Uptake markedly higher than liver and/or new lesions
- X New areas of uptake unlikely to be related to lymphoma

Cheson, JCO, 2014; NCCN, 2017

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A dark blue slide with the title "Intensive vs Less Intensive" in a light blue serif font. The slide contains a bulleted list of treatment approaches and the UNC logo in the bottom left and right corners.

- Clinical Trial if available
- **<75yrs: Intensive Approach**
 - R-DHAX(P) x4 to AutoSCT + mRituximab x3 yrs (preferred)
 - Nordic Regimen (R-maxiCHOP/HD-cytarabine) to AutoSCT
 - R-HyperCVAD +/- AutoSCT
- **>75yrs: Less Intensive Approach**
 - BR (w/o mRituximab; Rummel, ASCO, 2016)
 - R-BAC500: 2yr OS: 86%; PFS: 81% (Visco, Lancet H, 2017)
 - VR-CAP
 - Lenalidomide + Rituximab
 - Ibrutinib or Acalabrutinib

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Role for High Dose Cytarabine

Addition of high-dose cytarabine to immunochemotherapy before autologous stem-cell transplantation in patients aged 65 years or younger with mantle cell lymphoma

- Ph. III RCT
- N=497
- Age<65
- St II-IV
- R-CHOP x6 → Auto
- R-CHOP/R-DHAP x6 → Auto

Hermine, Lancet, 2016

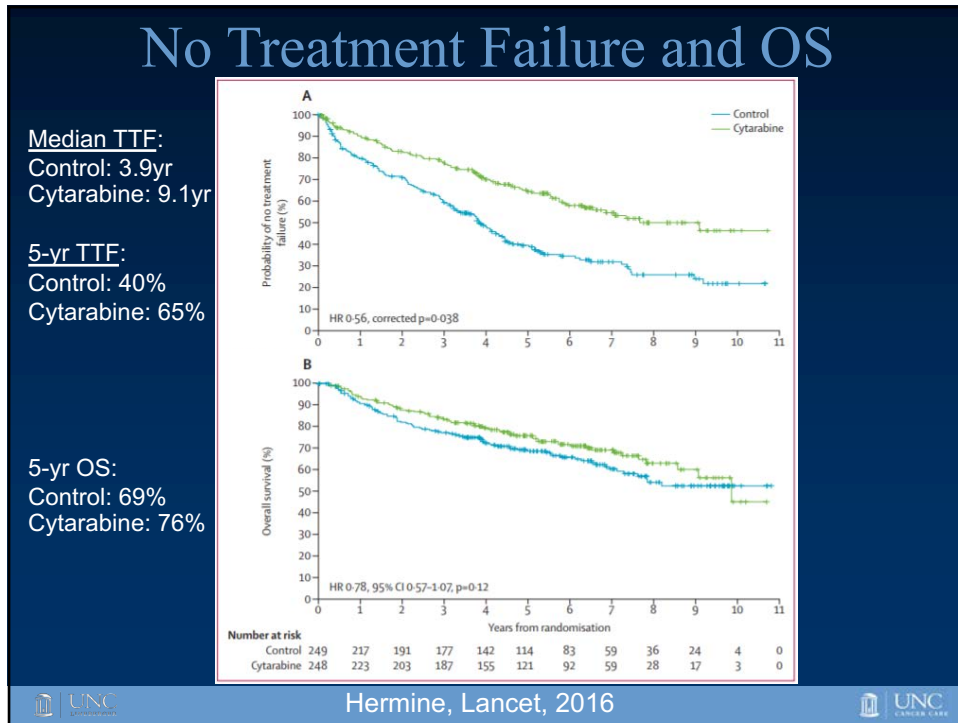
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Patient Characteristics

	Control group (n=234)	Cytarabine group (n=232)
Age (years)	55 (48-60)	56 (50-60)
Male sex	186 (79%)	183 (79%)
Ann Arbor stage		
II	7 (3%)	10 (4%)
III	31 (13%)	31 (13%)
IV	196 (84%)	191 (82%)
MIP1		
Score	5.60 (5.29-5.93)	5.56 (5.31-5.88)
Low risk	141 (60%)	150 (65%)
Intermediate risk	60 (26%)	51 (22%)
High risk	33 (14%)	31 (13%)
Blastoid mantle cell lymphoma*	14/159 (9%)	14/169 (8%)
Ki67 index*		
Median (IQR)	20% (12-34%)	21% (11-32%)
≥30%	38/132 (29%)	34/129 (26%)
Biological MIP1*		
Low risk	35/132 (27%)	45/129 (35%)
Intermediate risk	64/132 (48%)	58/129 (45%)
High risk	33/132 (25%)	26/129 (20%)

Hermine, Lancet, 2016

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R-DHAX: Intensive Approach

Rituximab after Autologous Stem-Cell Transplantation in Mantle-Cell Lymphoma

S. Le Gouill, C. Thieblemont, L. Oberic, A. Moreau, K. Bouabdallah, C. Dartigeas, G. Damaj, T. Gastinne, V. Ribrag, P. Feugier, O. Casasnovas, H. Zerazhi, C. Haioun, H. Maisonneuve, R. Houot, F. Jardin, E. Van Den Neste, O. Tournilhac, K. Le Dû, F. Morschhauser, G. Cartron, L.-M. Fornecker, D. Canioni, M. Callanan, M.C. Béné, G. Salles, H. Tilly, T. Lamy, R. Gressin, and O. Hermine, for the LYSA Group*

Phase 3 Trial

- N=299
- Age<66yrs
- All R-DHAP (or DHAX) x4 → AutoSCT
- Randomize to q2mo mRitux for 3 yrs vs observation

Le Gouill, NEJM, 2017

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Patient Characteristics

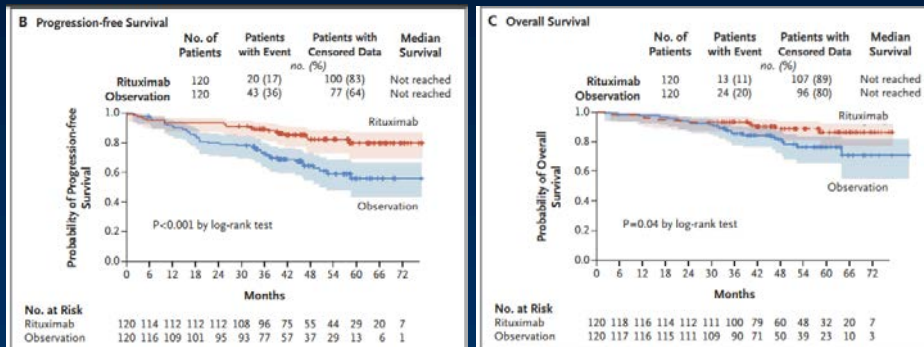
Table 1. Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of the Patients at the Time of Inclusion in the Trial.*

Characteristic	Patients Who Underwent Randomization (N=240)	Observation Group (N=120)	Rituximab Maintenance Group (N=120)
Age — yr			
Median	57	56	58
Range	27–65	29–65	27–65
MIPI score — no. (%)¶			
Low risk	133 (55)	63 (52)	70 (58)
Intermediate risk	65 (27)	31 (26)	34 (28)
High risk	42 (18)	26 (22)	16 (13)
Percent of Ki-67-positive cells >30% — no./total no. (%)	61/175 (35)	29/83 (35)	32/92 (35)
Variant mantle-cell lymphoma — no./total no. (%)			
On local review			
Blastoid	24/239 (10)	12/119 (10)	12/120 (10)
Pleomorphic	6/239 (3)	5/119 (4)	1/120 (1)

Le Gouill, NEJM, 2017

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PFS and OS benefit



4-yr PFS:
 mRitux: 83%
 Observ: 64%

4-yr OS:
 mRitux: 89%
 Observ: 80%

Le Gouill, NEJM, 2017

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Front-Line Therapy: Less Intensive

Bendamustine plus rituximab versus CHOP plus rituximab as first-line treatment for patients with indolent and mantle-cell lymphomas: an open-label, multicentre, randomised, phase 3 non-inferiority trial

Mathias J Rummel, Norbert Niederle, Georg Maschmeyer, G Andre Banat, Ulrich von Grünhagen, Christoph Losem, Dorothea Kofahl-Krause,

Phase III
N=514
BR x6
RCHOPx6

Rummel et al, Lancet, 2013

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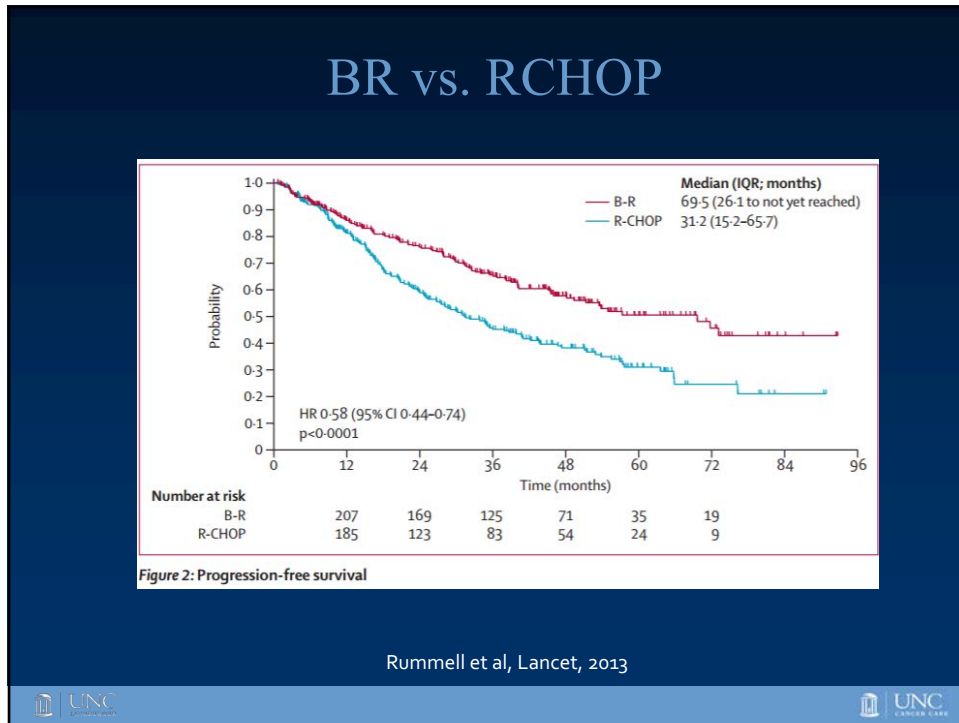
Table 1: Histology

Phase III
N=514
BR x6
RCHOPx6

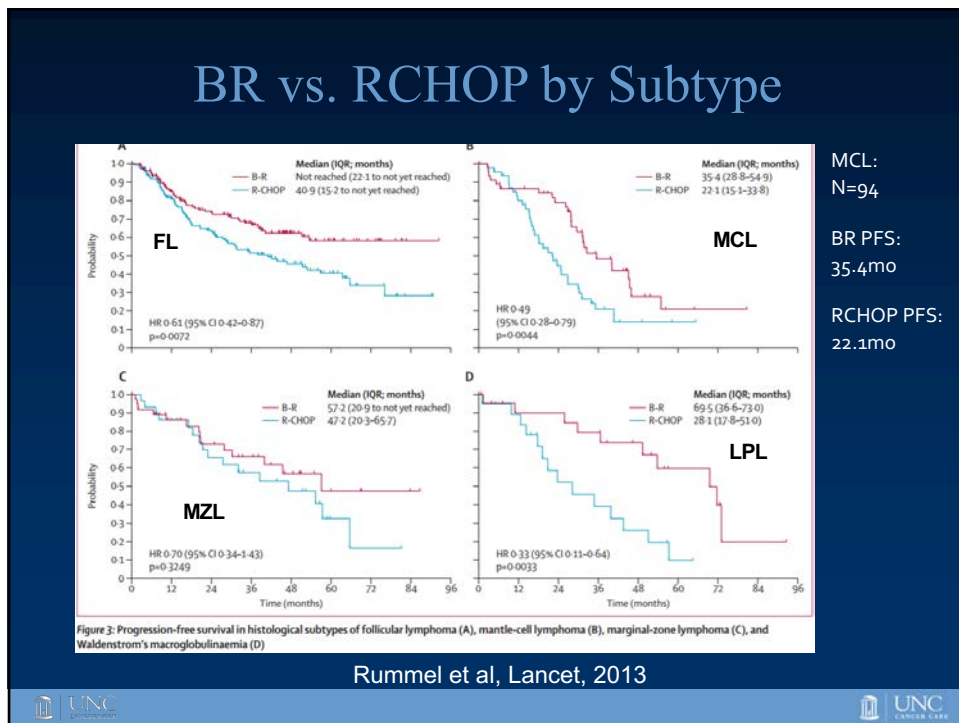
	B-R (n=261)	CHOP-R (n=253)
Age (years)	64 (34-83)	63 (31-82)
<60	94 (36%)	90 (36%)
61-70	107 (41%)	105 (42%)
>70	60 (23%)	58 (23%)
Stage		
II	9 (3%)	9 (4%)
III	50 (19%)	47 (19%)
IV	202 (77%)	197 (78%)
Histology		
Follicular	139 (53%)	140 (55%)
Mantle cell	46 (18%)	48 (19%)
Marginal zone	37 (14%)	30 (12%)
Lymphoplasmacytic*	22 (8%)	19 (8%)
Small lymphocytic	10 (4%)	11 (4%)
Low grade, unclassifiable	7 (3%)	5 (2%)

Rummel et al, Lancet, 2013

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MCL:
N=94

BR PFS:
35.4mo

RCHOP PFS:
22.1mo

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VR-CAP: Less Intensive Approach

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Bortezomib-Based Therapy for Newly Diagnosed Mantle-Cell Lymphoma

Tadeusz Robak, M.D., Huiqiang Huang, M.D., Jie Jin, M.D., Jun Zhu, M.D.,

Phase III trial
 N=487
 R-CHOP x6-8
 VR-CAP x6-8

Robak, NEJM, 2015



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VR-CAP vs. R-CHOP: PFS and OS

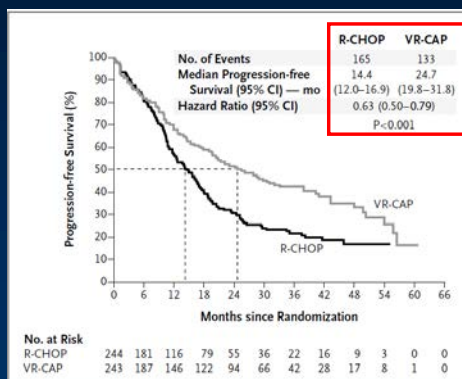


Figure 1. Kaplan–Meier Analysis of Progression-free Survival According to Independent Review (Intention-to-Treat Population).

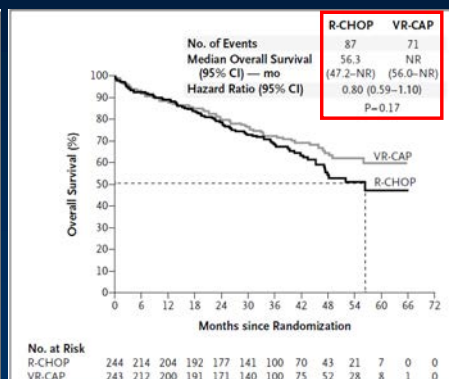


Figure 2. Kaplan–Meier Analysis of Overall Survival (Intention-to-Treat Population).

Robak, NEJM, 2015



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R²: Least Intensive Approach

ORIGINAL ARTICLE


Lenalidomide plus Rituximab as Initial Treatment for Mantle-Cell Lymphoma

Jia Ruan, M.D., Ph.D., Peter Martin, M.D., Bijal Shah, M.D.,
Stephen J. Schuster, M.D., Sonali M. Smith, M.D., Richard R. Furman, M.D.,

Phase II
N=38
Med Age:
65yrs

Schedule:
-Len 20mg D1-21/28d Cycle x12C, then:
-Len 15mg D1-21/28d Cycle maintenance
-Ritux x4 weekly then every other month

Ruan, NEJM, 2015




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Excellent response rates

Table 2. Rates of Best Response at the Median Follow-up of 30 Months.

Response	Patients	Intention-to-Treat Population (N=38)	Patients Who Could Be Evaluated (N=36)
	<i>no.</i>		%
Overall response	33	87	92
Complete response*	23	61	64
Partial response	10	26	28
Stable disease	1	3	3
Progressive disease†	2	5	6
Could not be evaluated‡	2	5	

Ruan, NEJM, 2015



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Excellent 2-Year PFS and OS

Table 3. Survival and Follow-up Data.

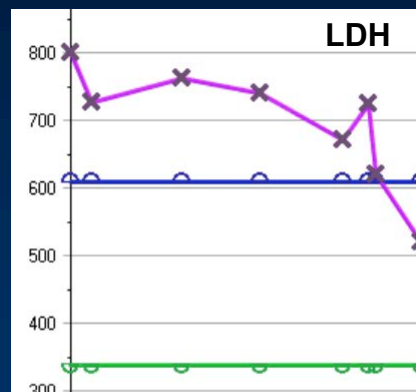
Variable	Value
Median progression-free survival	Not reached
2-Yr progression-free survival — % of patients (95% CI)	85 (67–94)
2-Yr overall survival — % of patients (95% CI)	97 (79–99)
Follow-up time — mo	
Median	30
Range	10–42
Time to partial response — mo	
Median	3
Range	3–13
Time to complete response — mo*	
Median	11
Range	3–22

Ruan, NEJM, 2015

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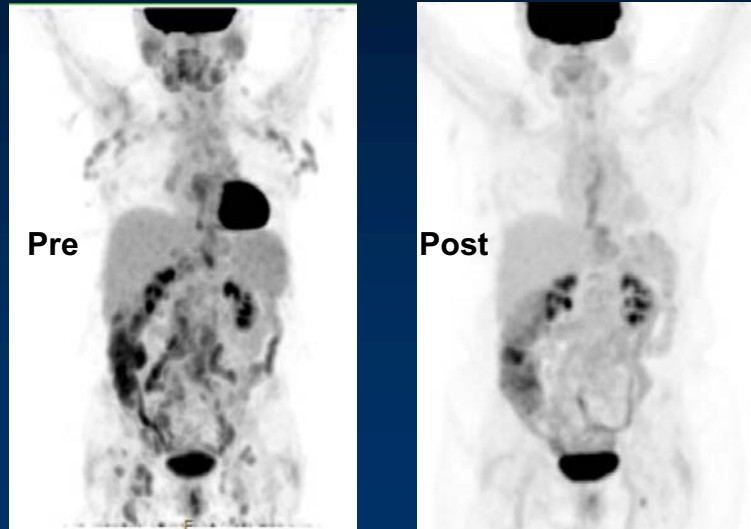
MCL Case

- Pt started on Bendamustine/ Rituximab (BR)
- Bendamustine was dose reduced 20%
- 6 cycles completed



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MCL Case: Response



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MCL Case

- Patient remained in Complete Remission for 3 years.
- Now at age 86, she developed severe night sweats, fevers, weight loss.
- PET showed diffuse LAD
- Diagnosed with relapsed MCL

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Approach to Relapsed MCL

- Clinical trial if available.
- More Intensive:
 - Any frontline or salvage regimens that have not been used (VR-CAP, R-BAC, R-ICE, etc)
 - If no prior transplant: consider autoSCT
 - If prior autoSCT: consider alloSCT
 - **CD19 CAR-T**: Brexucabtagene autoleucel (Tecartus)
- Less Intensive:
 - BTK inhibitor
 - Lenalidomide/Rituximab (R²): ORR=57%, CR=36%*
 - Venetoclax: ORR=75%, CR=21%**

*Wang, Lancet Oncol, 2012

**Davids et al, JCO, 2017



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KTE-X19 CAR T-Cell Therapy in Relapsed or Refractory Mantle-Cell Lymphoma

M. Wang, J. Munoz, A. Goy, F.L. Locke, C.A. Jacobson, B.T. Hill, J.M. Timmerman, H. Holmes, S. Jaglowski, I.W. Flinn, P.A. McSweeney,

Phase II study
 N=74
 N=68 (received CAR-T)
 All w/ prior BTKi
 Dose=2x10⁶ cells/kg
 Flu/Cy Lymphodepletion

Wang, NEJM, 2020



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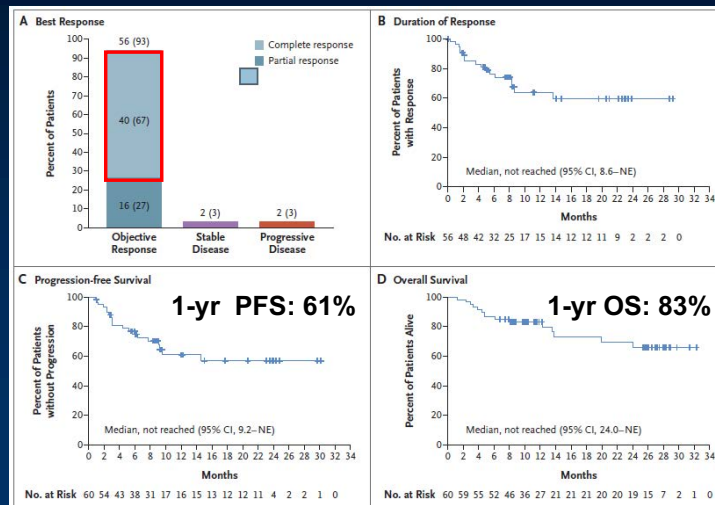
Baseline Characteristics

Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of All 68 Treated Patients.*		Previous BTK inhibitor therapy — no. (%)§	
Characteristic	Patients		
Median age (range) — yr	65 (38–79)	Ibrutinib	58 (85)
Intermediate or high risk according to Simplified MIPI — no. (%)†‡	38 (56)	Acalabrutinib	16 (24)
Blastoid or pleomorphic morphologic characteristics of MCL — no. (%)	21 (31)	Both	6 (9)
Ki-67 proliferation index ≥30% — no./total no. (%)‡	40/49 (82)	Relapsed or refractory disease — no. (%)	
TP53 mutation — no. (%)	6/36 (17)	Relapse after autologous stem-cell transplantation	29 (43)
Positive CD19 status — no./total no. (%)	47/51 (92)	Refractory to most recent previous therapy	27 (40)
Median no. of previous therapies (range)¶	3 (1–5)	Relapse after most recent previous therapy	12 (18)
≥3 Previous lines of therapy — no. (%)	55 (81)	Disease that relapsed or was refractory to BTK inhibitor therapy — no. (%)	68 (100)
Previous autologous stem-cell transplantation — no. (%)	29 (43)	Refractory to BTK inhibitor therapy	42 (62)
		Relapse during BTK inhibitor therapy	18 (26)
		Relapse after BTK inhibitor therapy	5 (7)
		Could not take BTK inhibitor therapy because of adverse events¶¶	3 (4)

Wang, NEJM, 2020

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Results



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Adverse Events

Table 2. Adverse Events among All 68 Treated Patients.*

Event	Any Grade	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
<i>number of patients (percent)</i>						
Any adverse event	68 (100)	0	1 (1)	11 (16)	54 (79)	2 (3)
Pyrexia	64 (94)	14 (21)	41 (60)	9 (13)	0	0
Neutropenia	59 (87)	0	1 (1)	11 (16)	47 (69)	0
Thrombocytopenia	50 (74)	9 (13)	6 (9)	11 (16)	24 (35)	0
Anemia	46 (68)	0	12 (18)	34 (50)	0	0
Hypotension	35 (51)	4 (6)	16 (24)	13 (19)	2 (3)	0
Chills	28 (41)	17 (25)	11 (16)	0	0	0
Hypoxemia	26 (38)	2 (3)	10 (15)	8 (12)	6 (9)	0
Cough	25 (37)	14 (21)	11 (16)	0	0	0
Hypophosphatemia	25 (37)	2 (3)	8 (12)	15 (22)	0	0
Fatigue	24 (35)	10 (15)	13 (19)	1 (1)	0	0
Headache	24 (35)	15 (22)	8 (12)	1 (1)	0	0
Tremor	24 (35)	19 (28)	5 (7)	0	0	0
Hypoalbuminemia	23 (34)	5 (7)	17 (25)	1 (1)	0	0
Hyponatremia	22 (32)	15 (22)	0	7 (10)	0	0

Wang, NEJM, 2020

2 Deaths d/t conditioning
 -Organizing PNA
 -Staph bacteremia

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CRS and Neurotoxicity

Event	Any Grade	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
<i>number of patients (percent)</i>						
Symptom of cytokine release syndrome						
Any	62 (91)	20 (29)	32 (47)	8 (12)	2 (3)	0
Pyrexia	62 (91)	15 (22)	40 (59)	7 (10)	0	0
Hypotension	35 (51)	4 (6)	16 (24)	14 (21)	1 (1)	0
Hypoxemia	23 (34)	1 (1)	10 (15)	8 (12)	4 (6)	0
Chills	21 (31)	12 (18)	9 (13)	0	0	0
Tachycardia	16 (24)	11 (16)	5 (7)	0	0	0
Headache	15 (22)	7 (10)	8 (12)	0	0	0
Alanine aminotransferase increased	10 (15)	5 (7)	1 (1)	3 (4)	1 (1)	0
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	9 (13)	4 (6)	0	5 (7)	0	0
Fatigue	9 (13)	6 (9)	2 (3)	1 (1)	0	0
Nausea	9 (13)	5 (7)	4 (6)	0	0	0
Neurologic event	43 (63)	13 (19)	9 (13)	15 (22)	6 (9)	0

Wang, NEJM, 2020

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Relapsed Oral Agents: BTK Inhibition

- **Ibrutinib** (Wang, NEJM, 2013)
 - Relapsed (N=111): ORR=68%; CR=21%
- **Ibrutinib/Palbociclib** (Martin, Blood, 2020)
 - Relapsed (N=27): ORR=67%; CR=37%; 2-yr PFS=59.4%
- **Acalabrutinib** (Wang, Lancet, 2017)
 - Relapsed (N=124): ORR=80%; CR=40% (no prior BTKi)
- **Zanubrutinib** (Song, CCR, 2020)
 - Relapsed (N=86): ORR=84%; CR=68.6 (no prior BTKi)



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MCL Case

- Pt started on **Acalabrutinib**
- In first month, symptoms resolved
- Awaiting restaging PET-CT.



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Clinical Trials at UNC

- Frontline:
 - EA4151: A Randomized Phase III Trial of Consolidation w/ autoSCT followed by mRituximab vs. mRituximab Alone for Patients w/ **MRD-Negative** First CR.
 - EA4181: A Randomized 3-Arm Phase II Study in ≤ 70 Untreated MCL Comparing:
 - 1.) Benda/Rituximab/HD Cytarabine
 - 2.) Benda/Rituximab/HD Cytarabine/Acalabrutinib
 - 3.) Benda/Rituximab/Acalabrutinib



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Clinical Trials at UNC

- Relapsed:
 - A Phase II Study of Palbociclib in Combination With Ibrutinib in Patients With Previously Treated Mantle Cell Lymphoma
 - LOXO-BTK-18001: A Phase 1/2 Study of Oral LOXO-305 in Patients with Previously Treated CLL or NHL
 - LCCC1813-ATL: CD19 CAR-T for lymphoma (w/ “suicide gene” – antidote for toxicity).



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