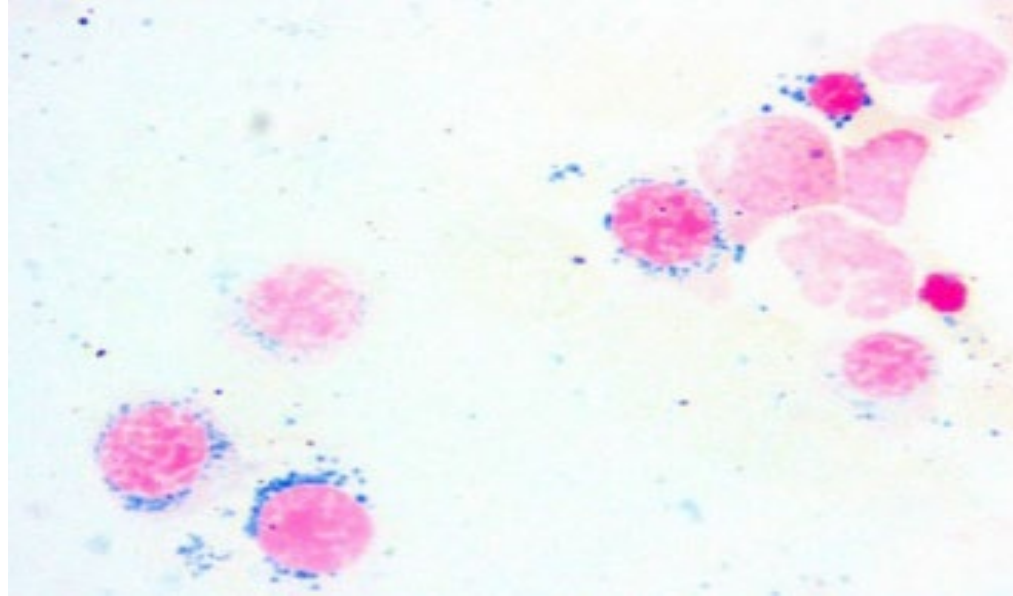


# Myelodysplastic Syndromes ( MDS) : Emerging and Targeted Therapies



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# Objectives

- **Understand the role of newly drugs in MDS**
  - **Clinical trials that lead to the approval**
- **Be familiar with key agents in development for MDS**
- **Review the current algorithm for treating patients with MDS**

# New Drugs in MDS: Outline

## – Therapy of lower risk disease

- Lenalidomide in 5q-
- Erythropoietin (EPO) +/- G-CSF; Lenalidomide +EPO
- **Luspatercept**
  - Maybe
    - » Low dose Hypomethylating agent (HMA), Iron chelation
  - Horizon
    - » Roxudostat, telomerase inhibition, spliceosome targeted

Recently  
Approved

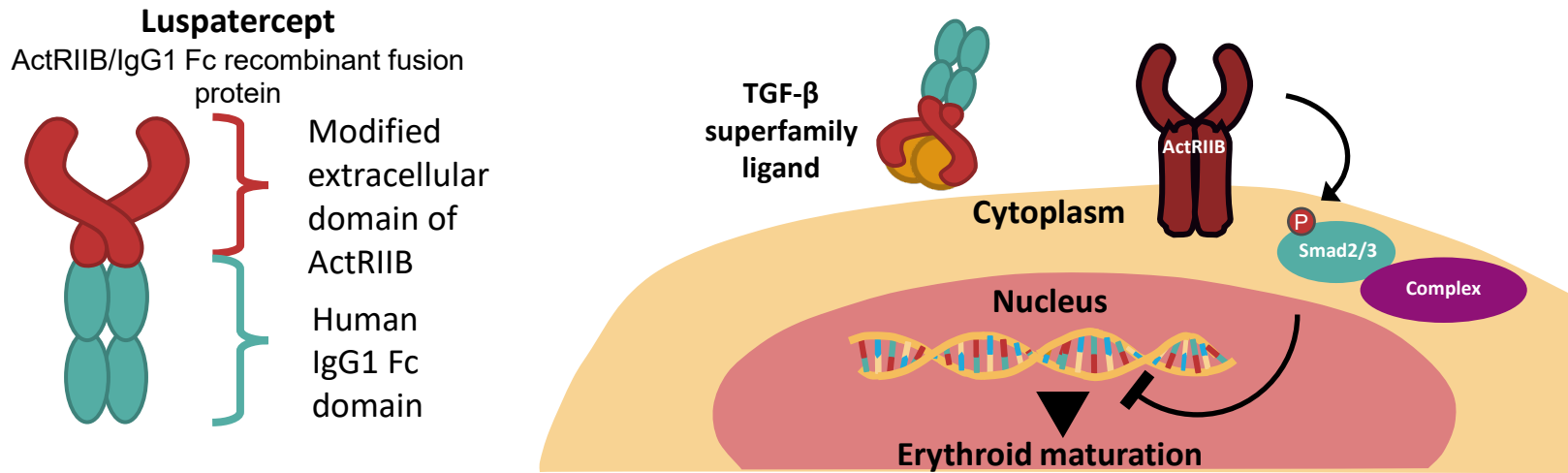
## – Therapy of Higher risk disease

- Hypmethylating agent (HMA) (including now: **Oral decitabine/cytidine deaminase inhibitor=ASTX727**), allogeneic stem cell transplant (alloSCT) if possible, remains the standard
  - Maybe
    - » add venetoclax, ( isocitrate dehydrogenase)IDH inhibitor
  - Horizon
    - » aCD47, checkpoint inhibitor (CPI), TP53 refolding, NEDD8 converting enzyme inhibitor (NAEi)



# MEDALIST Luspatercept Trial

- Luspatercept is a first-in-class erythroid maturation agent that neutralizes select TGF- $\beta$  superfamily ligands to inhibit aberrant Smad2/3 signaling and enhance late-stage erythropoiesis in MDS models<sup>1</sup>
- In a phase II study in LR, non-del(5q) MDS, luspatercept yielded a high frequency of transfusion-reduction or RBC-TI in patients with MDS-RS (52%) vs. other subtypes (30%)<sup>2</sup>

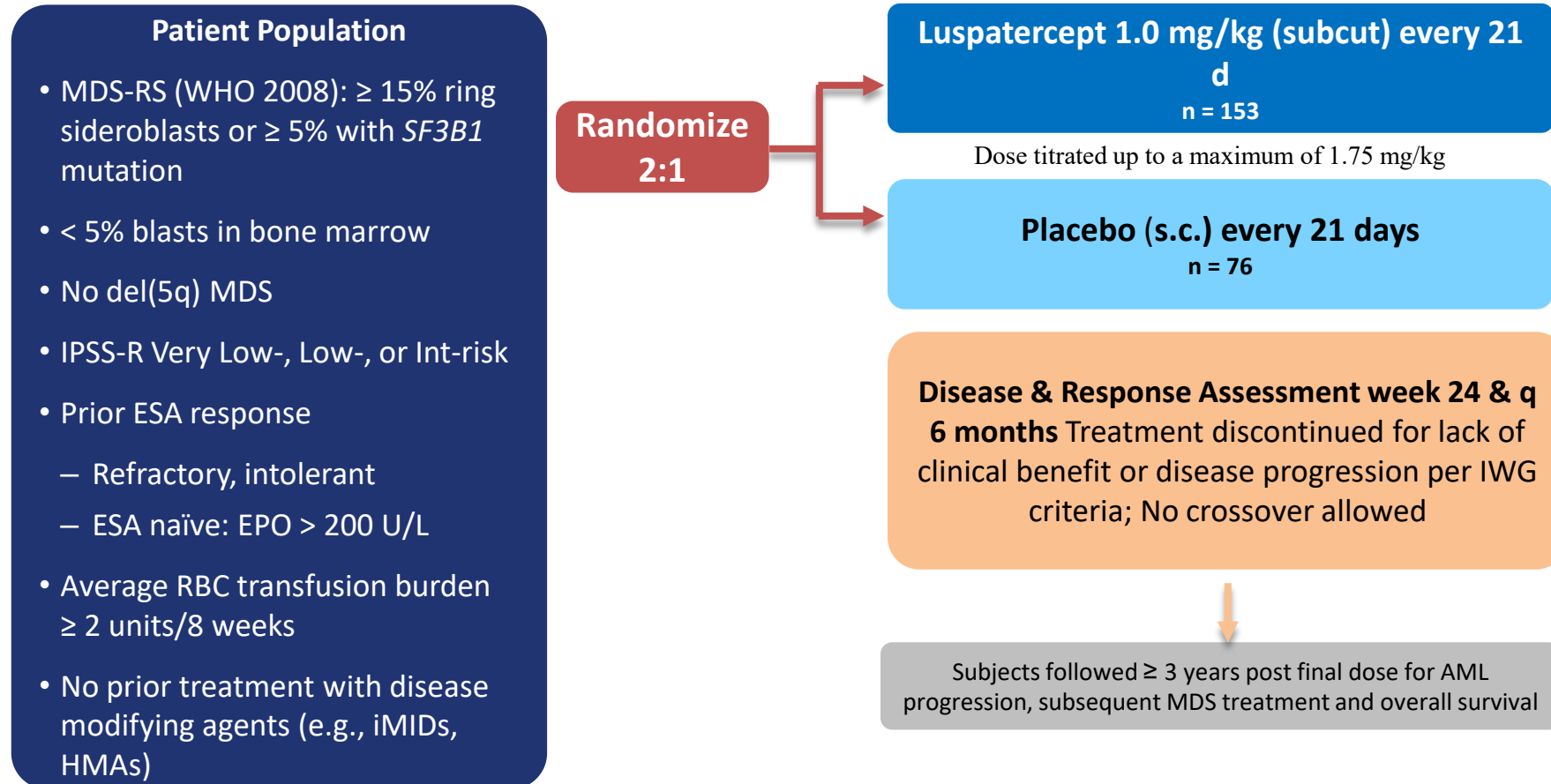


ActB, activin B; ActRIIB, human activin receptor type IIB; BMP, bone morphogenetic protein; GDF, growth differentiation factor; IgG1 Fc, immunoglobulin G1 fragment crystallizable; LR, lower-risk; MDS, myelodysplastic syndromes; RBC-TI, red blood cell transfusion independence; RS, ring sideroblasts; TGF- $\beta$ , transforming growth factor-beta.

1. Suragani RN, et al. *Nat Med.* 2014;20:408.;  
2. Platzbecker U, et. A. *Lancet Oncol* 2017; 18:1338.

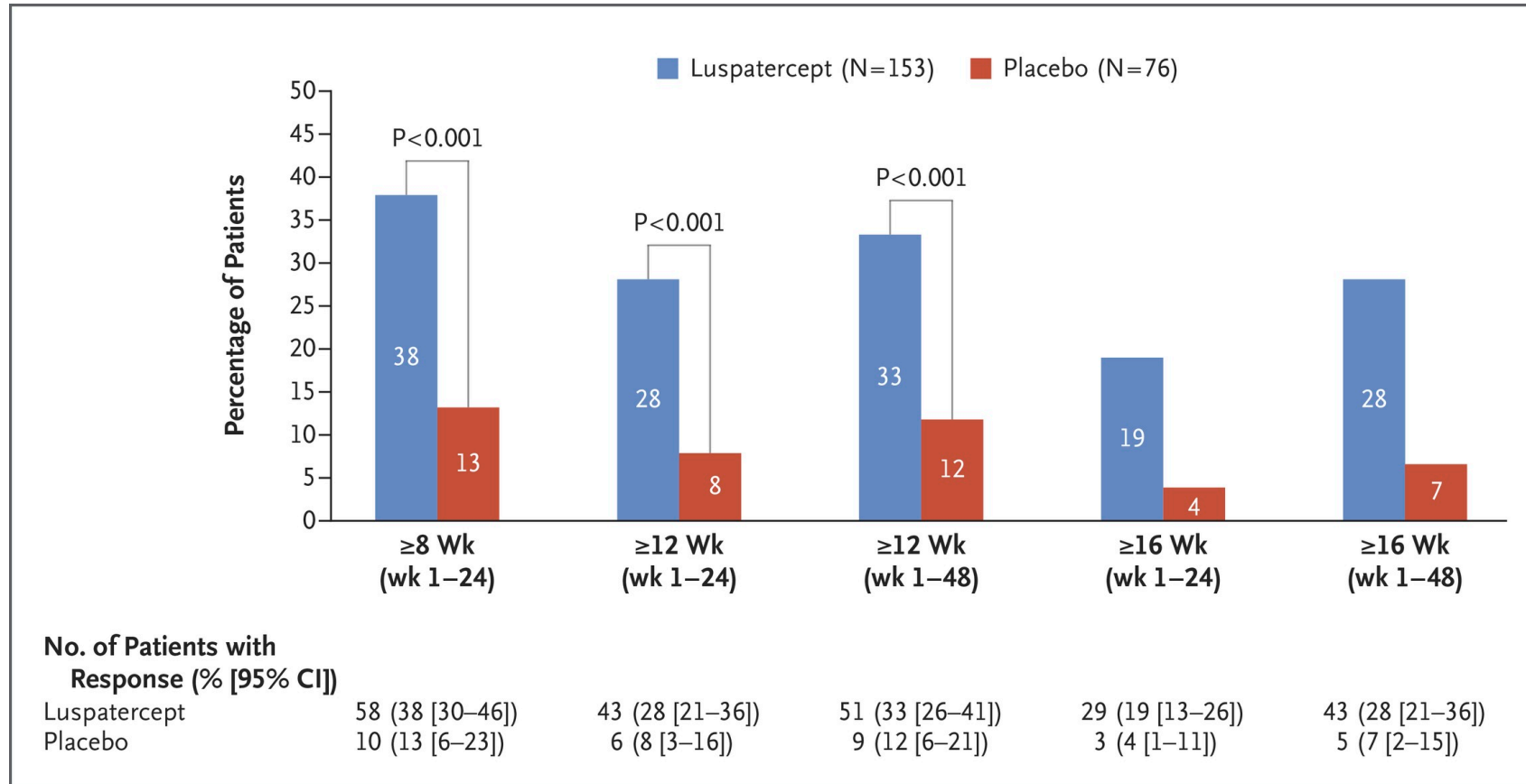
## MEDALIST Trial

### Study Design - A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Phase 3 Study




# MEDALIST Trial

Primary Endpoint Achieved: Red Blood Cell – Transfusion Independence)  $\geq 8$  Weeks



AE: No excess Gr  $\frac{3}{4}$  but about Gr  $\frac{1}{2}$  fatigue, GI, dizzy/HA 20 % w Luspatercept (<10% in placebo); clinical benefit extends to 92 weeks (Fenaux ASH 2019)

# MDS: New Approaches for Lower Risk

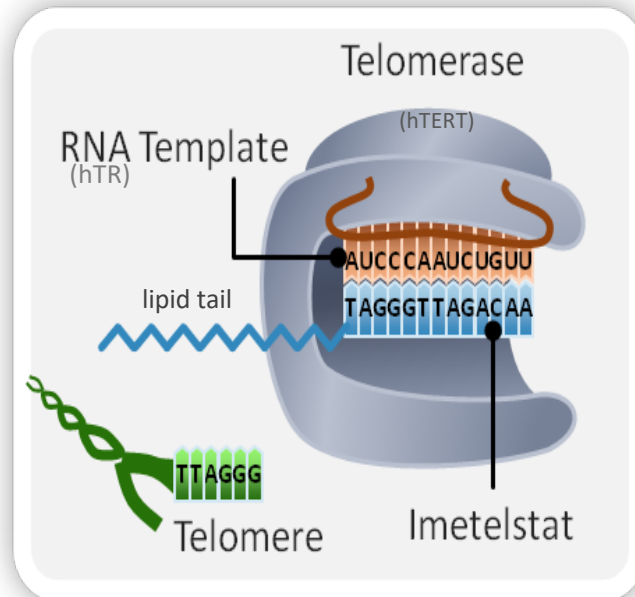
- **Reset Oxygen sensing: roxadostat**
    - Prevents HIF1 $\alpha$  degradation
    - Based on work done by Wm Kaelin DFCI, Semenza, JHU and Ratcliffe, Crick
- 
- A circular gold Nobel Prize medal featuring a profile of Alfred Nobel. The inscription on the medal includes "ALFR. NOBEL" and "MCM" (1900).
- Some responses in MDS: Henry et al, ASH 2019
  - **Short course hypomethylating agents for lower risk pts**
    - 3d decitabine higher ORR (70)% than 3d azacytidine ( 33%)
    - Jabbour et al., Blood. 2017 130(13):1514-1522
    - Ongoing MDS consortium rand trial of 3 low dose HMA arms
  - **Telomerase Inhibition**

# Imetelstat: First-in-Class Telomerase Inhibitor

## Imetelstat

- **Proprietary:** 13-mer thio-phosphoramidate oligonucleotide complementary to hTR, with covalently-bound lipid tail to increase cell permeability.
- **Potent, first in class competitive inhibitor of telomerase:** IC50 = 0.5-10 nM
- **Target:** selectively targets heme (MF) malignant stem and progenitor cell proliferation.<sup>1,2</sup>

Imetelstat binds to RNA template preventing maintenance of telomeres



- ❑ Short telomere length (TL), high levels of telomerase activity (TA) and high expression of human telomerase reverse transcriptase (hTERT) correlated with higher risk, disease progression and shorter OS in patients with myeloid malignancies.<sup>3-5</sup>
- ❑ Nonclinical studies demonstrated that imetelstat reduces TA, hTERT expression level, and JAK2V617F<sup>+</sup> hematopoietic progenitor cells in MF patient samples, indicative of mechanism based on-target activity.<sup>1,2</sup>
- ❑ **Cells with high levels of TA and hTERT and short TL, represent best target for treatment with telomerase inhibitor.**

<sup>1</sup>Wang, et al. *Blood Adv* 2018;2:2378-88.

<sup>2</sup>Mosoyan, et al. *Leukemia* 2017;31:2458-67.

<sup>3</sup>Briatore, et al. *Cancer Biol Ther* 2009;8:883-9.

<sup>4</sup>Kishtagari and Watts. *Ther Adv Hematol* 2017;8:317-26.

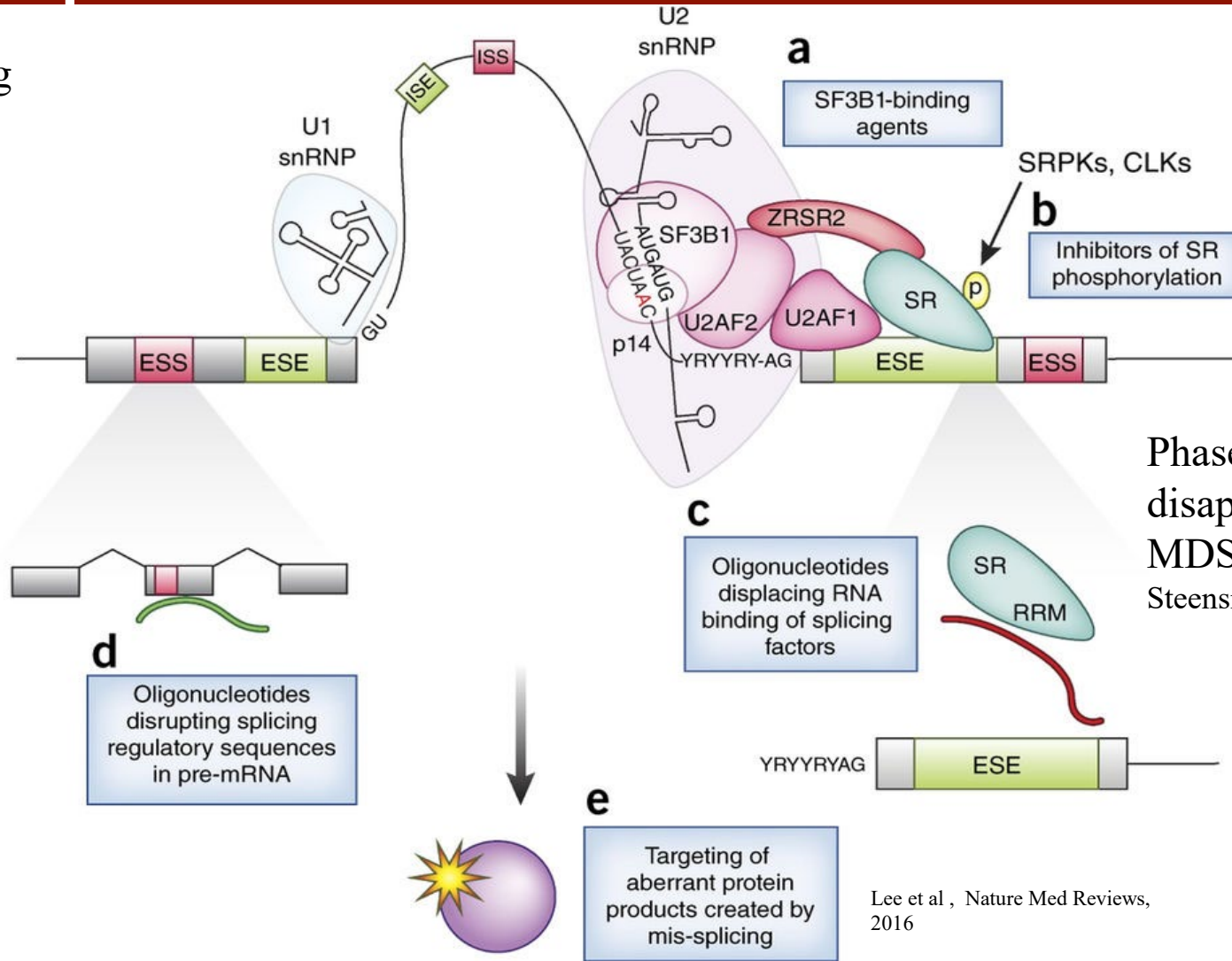
<sup>5</sup>Wang, et al. *Int J Lab Hematol* 2010;32:230-8.

57 Lower Risk MDS pts (38 were HMA naïve, non 5q-) 8 and 24 week TI rate 37%, 23% Med response duration=65 weeks

# Targeting MDS with splicing Complex mutations\*



The splicing complex can be disrupted leading to synthetic lethality

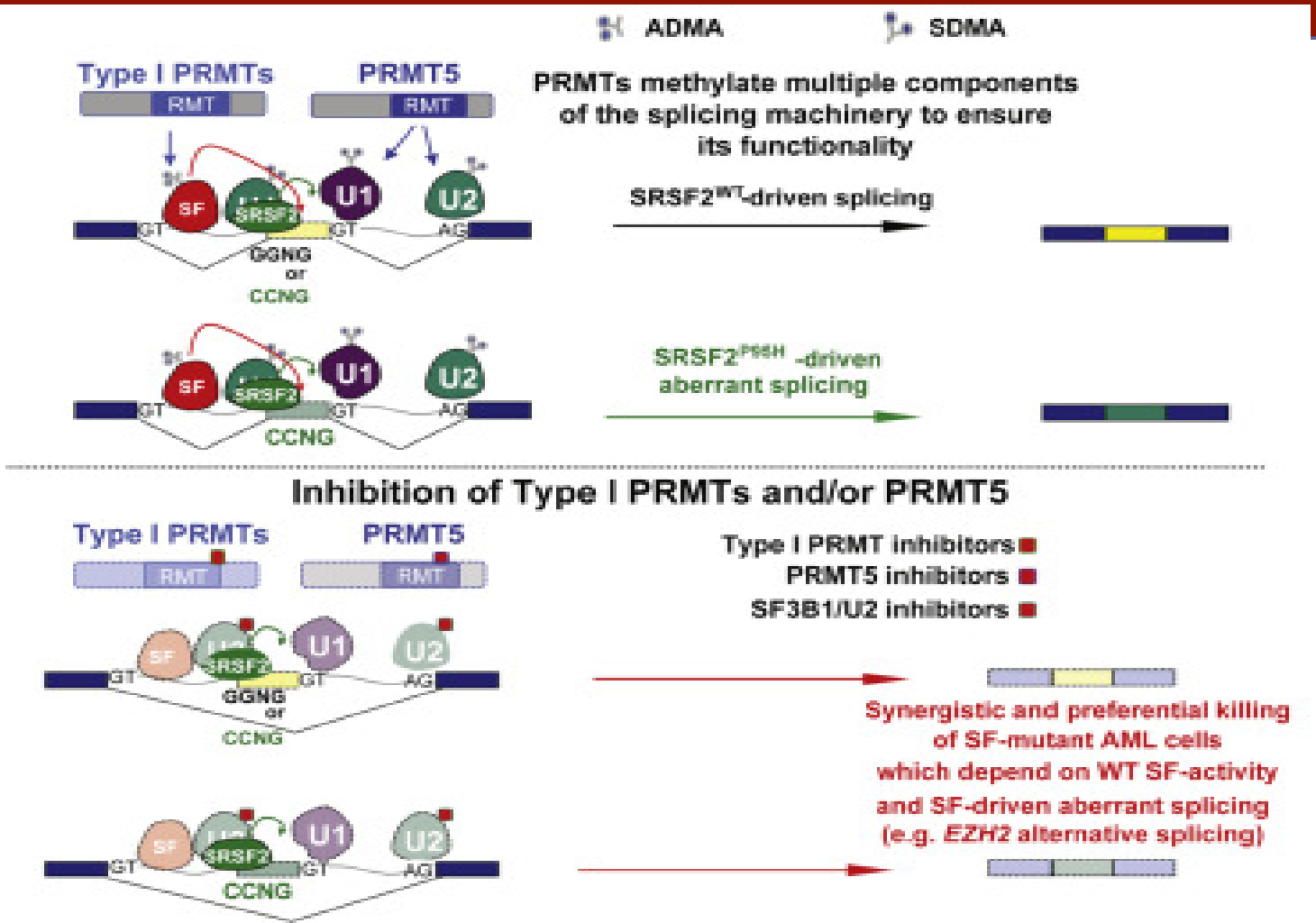
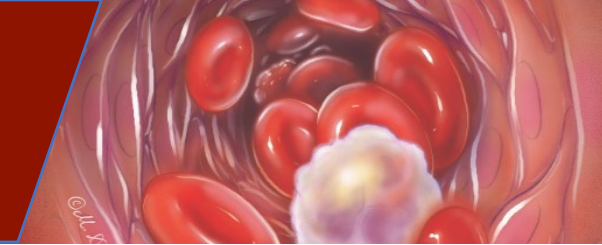


Phase I trial of H3B-8800 was disappointing (though 5/15 MDS pt w SF2B1 muts exp TI)  
Steensma, D et al. Leukemia 2021

Lee et al., Nature Med Reviews, 2016

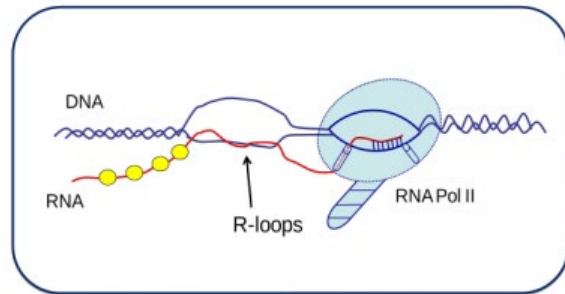
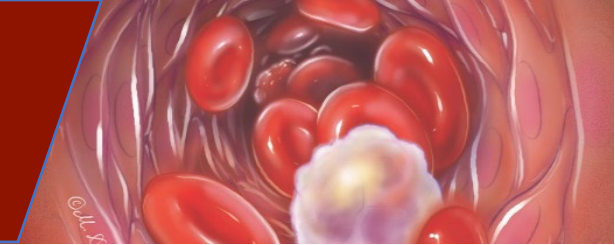


\*SF3B1, U2AF1, SRSF2, ZRSR2



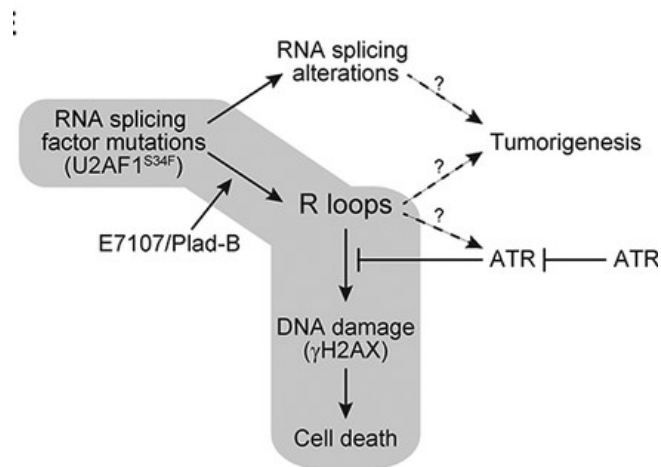
Inhibit  
Protein  
Arginine  
Methylation  
(PRMTs)  
Fong et al,  
Cancer  
Cell  
36:194,  
2019.....





Spliceosome mutations cause R-loops

Nguyen H et al, Can Res 78: 5464, 2018



ATR inhibition may fail to resolve R-loops leading to synthetic lethality

Nguyen H, Zou Z, Graubert T. Oncotarget 10: 2381, 2019.....

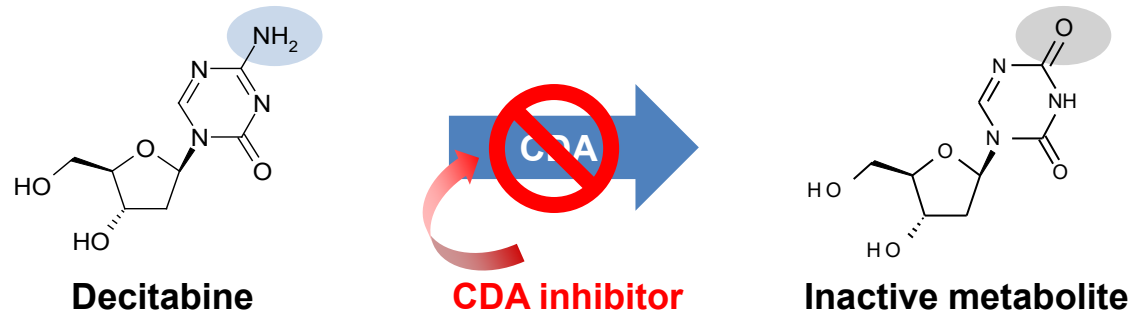




## ORAL HMA in MDS?

- 1) oral Aza- useful in AML maintenance (Wei A, et al < LBA ASH 2019) and  
b) ASTX727 (Cedazuridine/Decitabine)

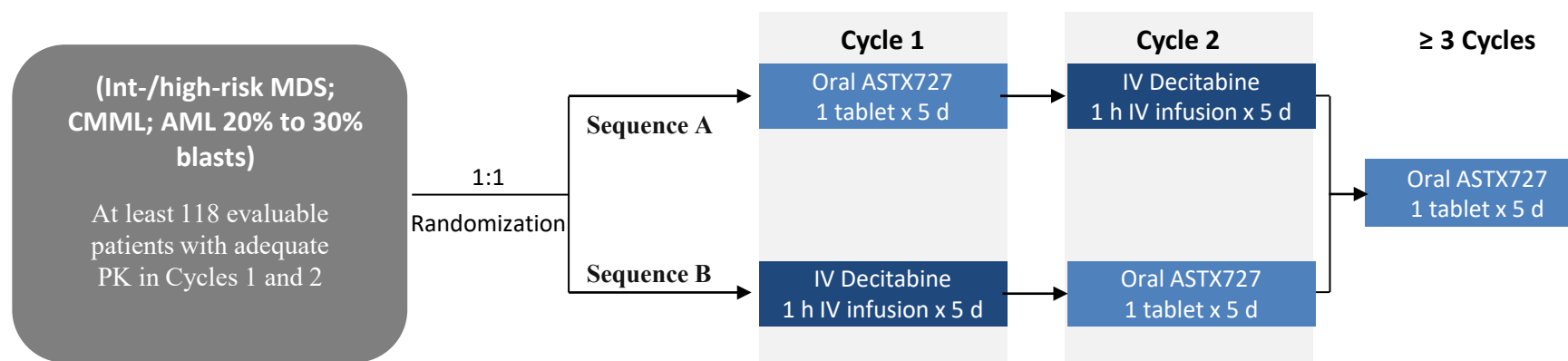
- Current HMA treatment poses significant patient burden due to 5 to 7 days per month of parenteral administration in a clinic setting
- Oral bioavailability of HMAs decitabine and azacitidine is limited due to rapid degradation by CDA in the gut and liver



- Cedazuridine is a novel CDA inhibitor

# ASCERTAIN Trial: Oral ASTX727 (Cedazuridine/Decitabine) vs IV Decitabine, Phase 3 Study in MDS/CMML

– ASTX727 is an oral, fixed-dose combination of cedazuridine and decitabine



## Major entry criteria

- Candidates for IV decitabine
- ECOG PS 0 to 1
- Life expectancy of  $\geq 3$  months
- Adequate organ function
- 1 prior cycle of HMA is allowed

## Primary endpoint

- Total 5-d decitabine AUC equivalence (oral/IV 90% CI between 80% and 125%)

## Secondary endpoints

- Efficacy: response rate; TI; duration of response; leukemia-free and OS
- Safety of ASTX727
- Max LINE-1 demethylation

# ASCERTAIN Trial: 5-Day Decitabine AUC Equivalence

Decitabine 5-Day AUC <sub>0-24</sub> (h·ng/mL)		IV DEC		Oral ASTX727		Ratio of Geo LSM Oral/IV, % (90% CI)	Intrasubject (% CV)
		N	Geo LSM	N	Geo LSM		
<b>Primary analysis</b>	<b>Paired*</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>864.9</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>855.7</b>	<b>98.9 (92.7, 105.6)</b>	<b>31.7</b>

\*Paired patient population: patients who received both ASTX727 and IV decitabine in the randomized first 2 cycles with adequate PK samples.

- Study met its primary endpoint with high confidence: oral/IV 5-day decitabine AUC ~99% with 90% CI of ~93% to 106%
- All sensitivity and secondary PK AUC analyses confirmed findings from primary analysis
- Demethylation similar to IV decitabine
- AEs similar to 5 d decitabine
- Efficacy data similar to that reported in phase II data: CR-12%, marrow CR-46%

Garcia-Manero G, et al. Blood 2020.

## Enasidenib in Higher-Risk *IDH2*-Mutated MDS: Response Rates

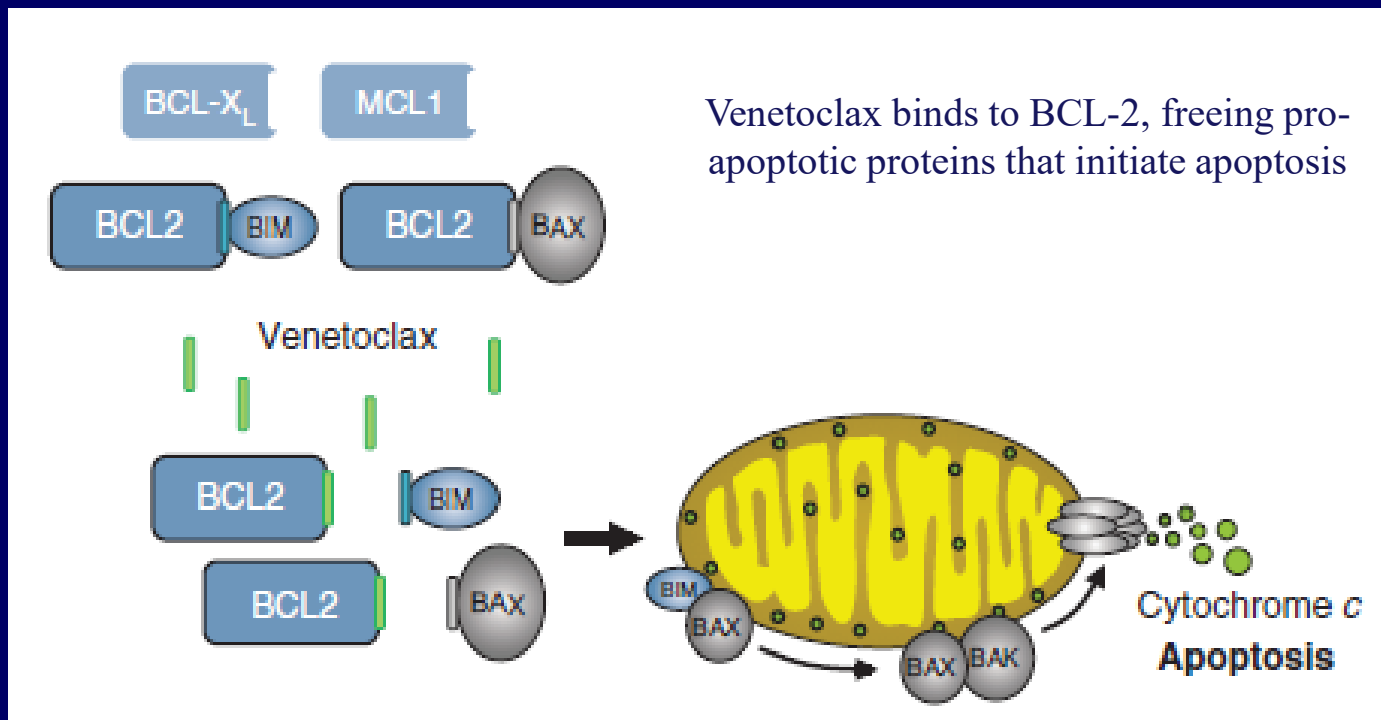
	Total (N = 31)	Arm A (Untreated) Aza + ENA (N = 13)	Arm B (HMA-Failure) ENA (N = 18)
<b>ORR, n (%)</b>	<b>21 (68)</b>	<b>11 (85)</b>	<b>10 (56)</b>
Complete remission	8 (26)	3 (23)	5 (28)
Partial remission	1 (3)	0 (0)	1 (6)
Marrow complete remission	9 (29)	7 (54)	2 (11)
HI only	3 (10)	1 (8)	2 (11)
<b>No response, n (%)</b>	<b>10 (32)</b>	<b>2 (15)</b>	<b>8 (44)</b>
SD	9 (29)	2 (15)	7 (39)
PD	1 (3)	0 (0)	1 (6)

Richard-Carpentier G, et al. ASH 2019. Abstract 678.

12 pts w R/R MDS rx w ivosidenib 500 mg/d: 5 (42%) CR

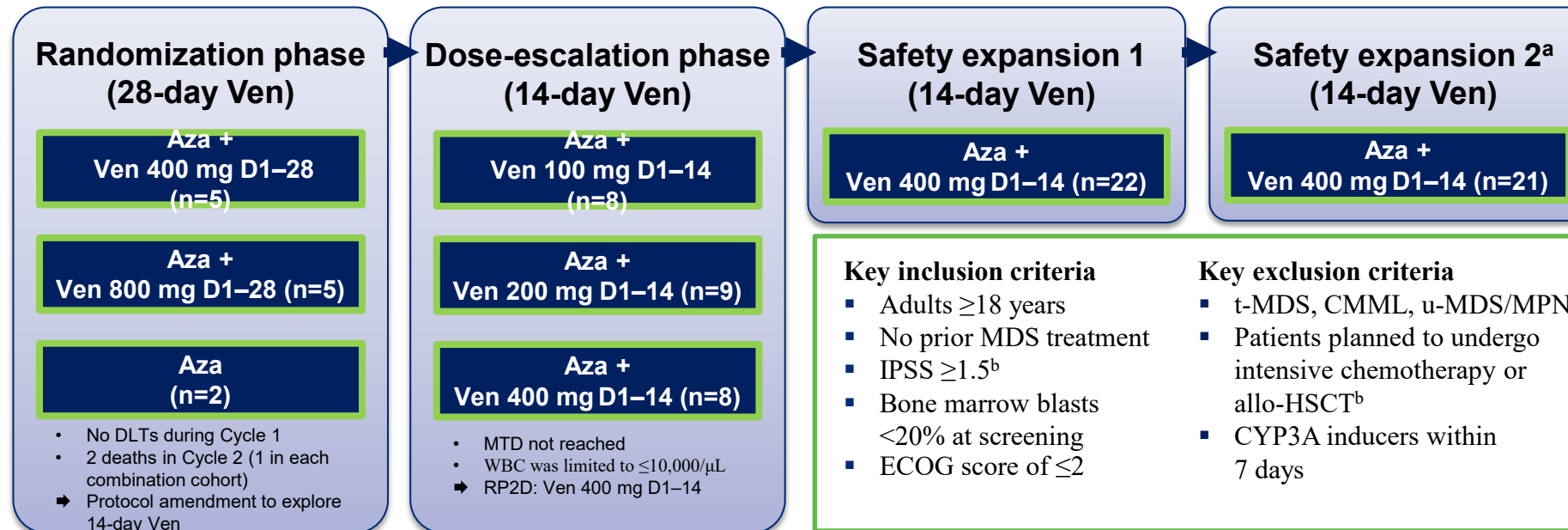
# Venetoclax: BCL-2 Selective Inhibitor

BCL-2 overexpression allows cancer cells to evade apoptosis by sequestering pro-apoptotic proteins



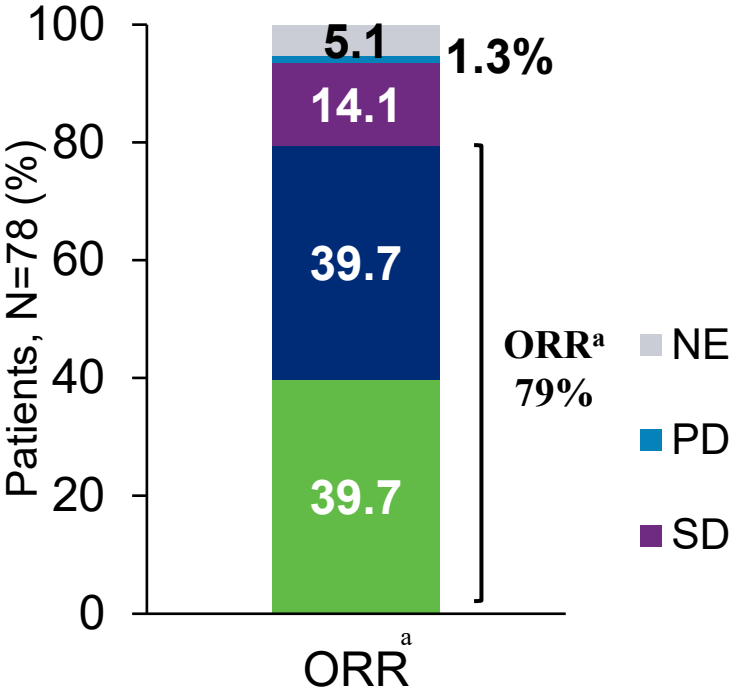
# Phase Ib Study: Venetoclax + Azacitidine (AZA) in Higher-Risk MDS

Treatment cohorts (28-day cycles); Aza 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1–7



<sup>a</sup>Safety expansion 3 cohort is currently recruiting patients; <sup>b</sup>Study protocol has been amended to allow patients with higher-risk IPSS-Revised (intermediate, high, and very high) results and patients planning to undergo allo-HSCT  
 allo-HSCT, allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; Aza, azacitidine; CMML, chronic myelomonocytic leukemia; D, Day; DLT, dose-limiting toxicity; IPSS, International Prognostic Scoring System; MDS, myelodysplastic syndrome; MPN, myeloproliferative neoplasm; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; PK, pharmacokinetics; RP2D, recommended phase 2 dose; Ven, venetoclax, WBC, white blood cell

# Response Rates and Transfusion Independence



- Median DoR: 12.9 months (min-max, 12.1-16.8)
- Median DoR after CR: 13.8 months (min-max, 6.5-20.9)
- Median time to CR: 2.6 months (min-max, 1.2-19.6)
- For patients receiving Ven 400 mg (RP2D; n=51)<sup>b</sup>
  - 84% of patients achieved ORR<sup>a</sup>
    - 47% achieved ORR by Cycle 2; 78% achieved ORR by Cycle 3
  - 35% of patients achieved CR

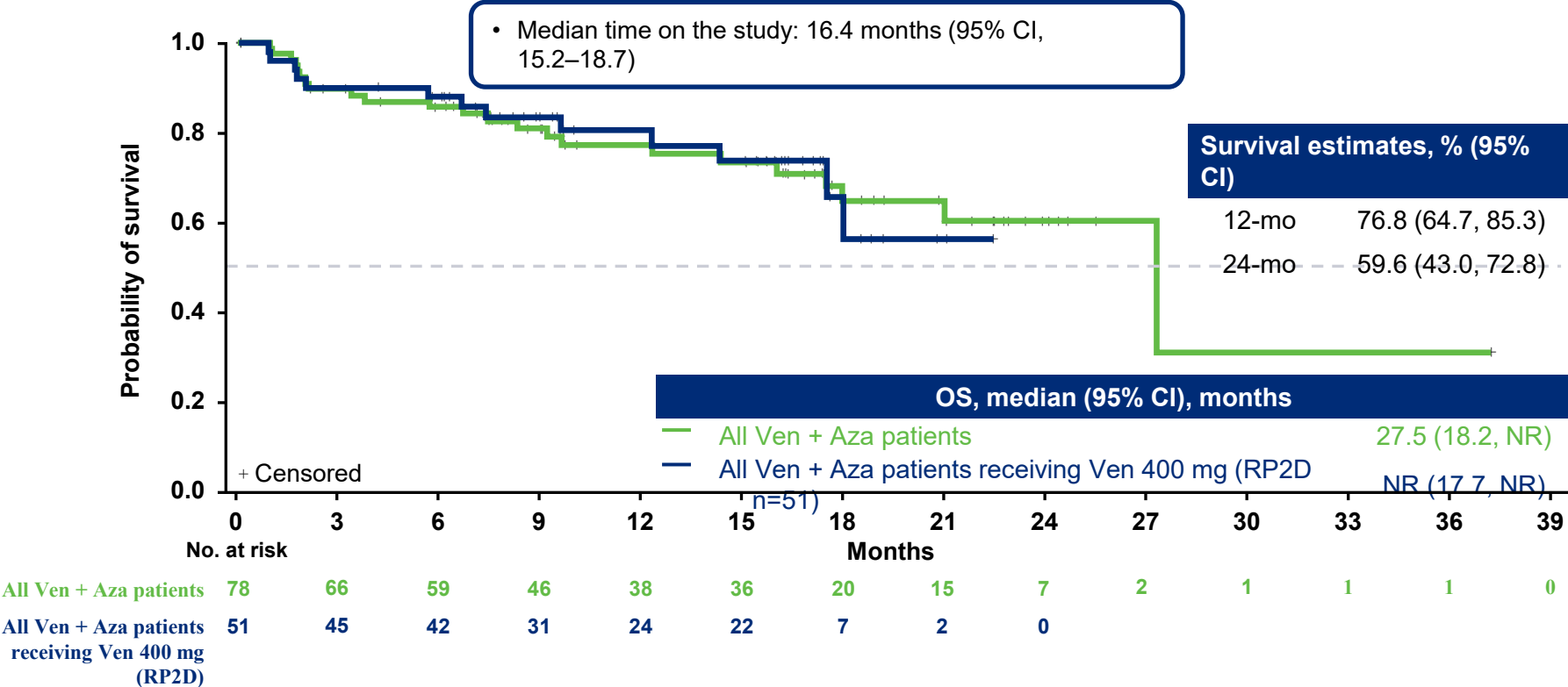
Transfusion independence rate	n (% of N=78)
RBC and platelet	51 (65)
RBC	52 (67)
Platelet	60 (77)

- A total of 16 patients (21%) went on to receive poststudy transplants; 7 received bone marrow transplant; and 9 received stem cell transplant

<sup>a</sup>Excludes patients of Arm C (Aza only); ORR includes CR + mCR + PR; PR n=0; per IWG 2006 (Cheson BD, et al. *Blood*. 2006;108(2):419-25);  
<sup>b</sup>Excludes 5 patients from the randomization phase who received 28-day Ven  
 Aza, azacitidine; CR, complete remission; DoR, duration of response; IWG 2006, International Working Group 2006; mCR, marrow CR; NE, not evaluable; NR, not reported;  
 ORR, objective response rate; PD, disease progression; PR, partial response; RBC, red blood cell; RP2D, recommended phase 2 dose; SD, stable disease; Ven, venetoclax

Data cutoff: June 30, 2020

# OS for All Patients

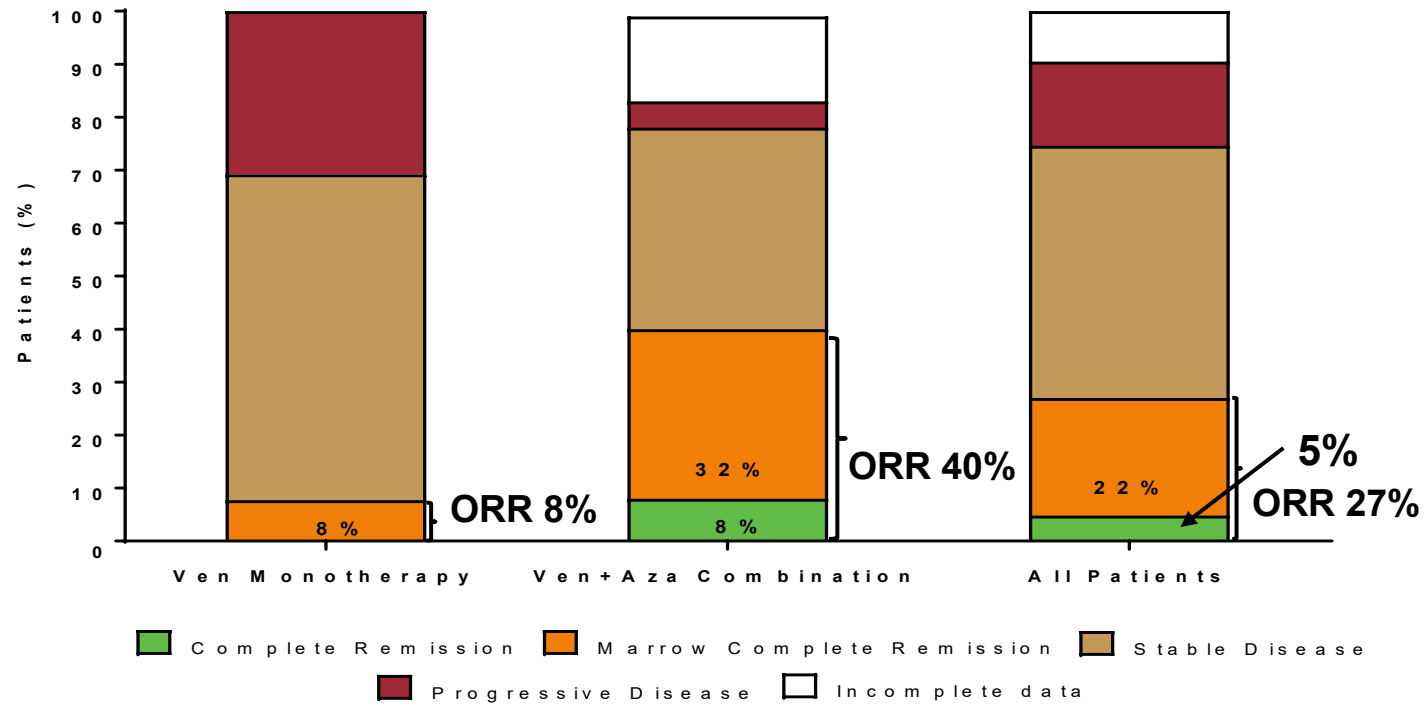


Aza, azacitidine; CI, confidence interval; NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; RP2D, recommended phase 2 dose; Ven, venetoclax

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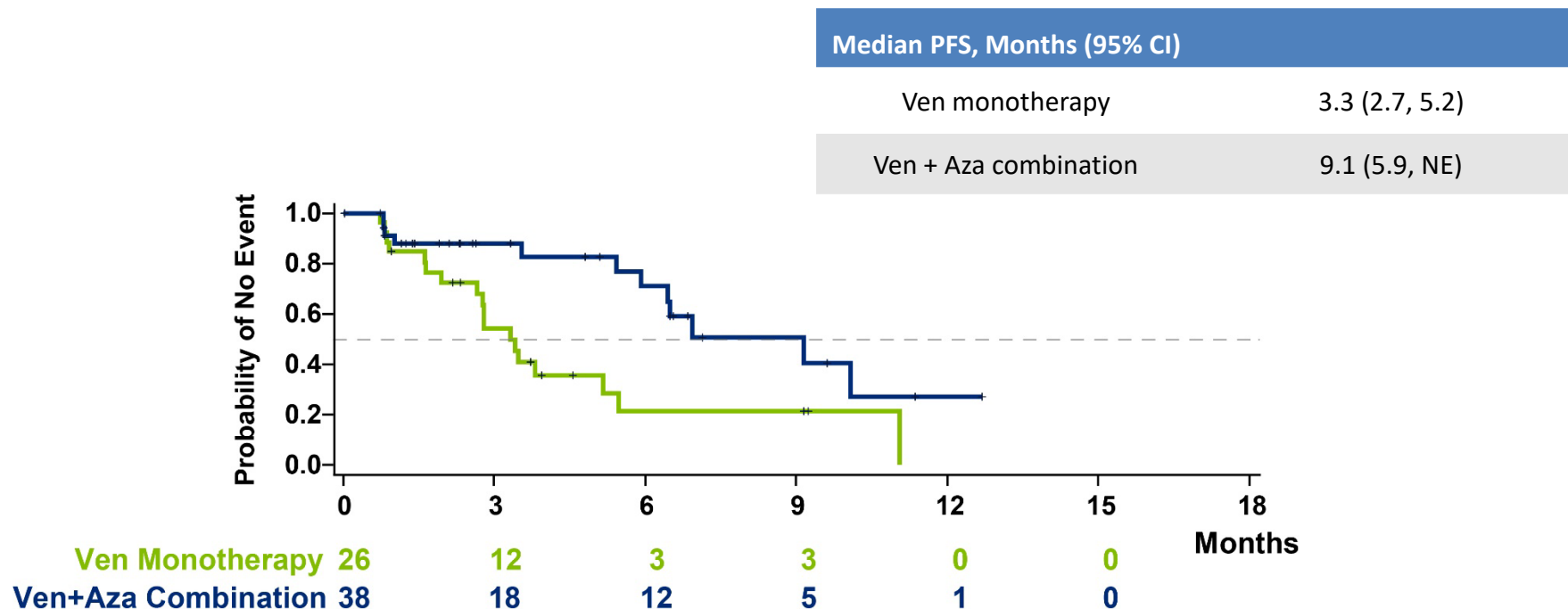
# Ven+/- AZA not so active in R/R HR MDS



Data cutoff: Aug 30, 2019.

ClinicalTrials.gov. NCT02966782.  
Zeidan A, et al. ASH 2019. Abstract 565.

# Ven With or Without Aza in R/R MDS: PFS



Ven monotherapy: Ven 400 mg or 800 mg; Ven + Aza combination: Ven doses 100, 200, or 400 mg + Aza 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup>

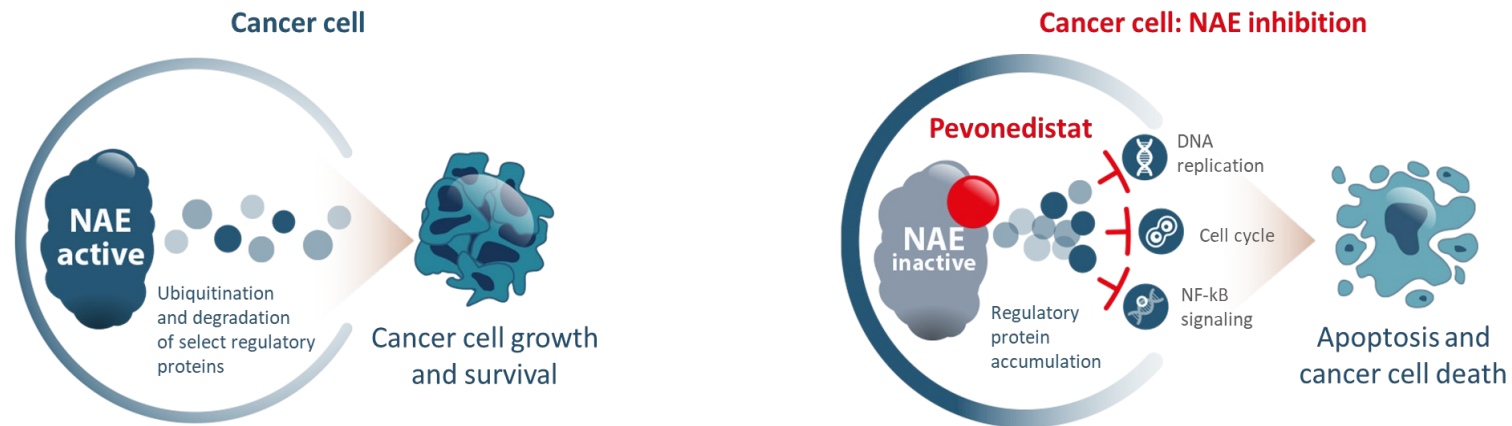
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# Pevonedistat: first-in-class inhibitor of the NEDD8-activating enzyme

- Inhibiting the NEDD8-activating enzyme blocks ubiquitination of select proteins upstream of the proteasome.<sup>1,2</sup>
- Treatment with pevonedistat disrupts cell cycle progression and cell survival, leading to cell death in cancers.<sup>2,3</sup>
- Pevonedistat exhibits synergistic activity in combination with azacitidine in cellular and mouse xenograft models of AML.<sup>4</sup>

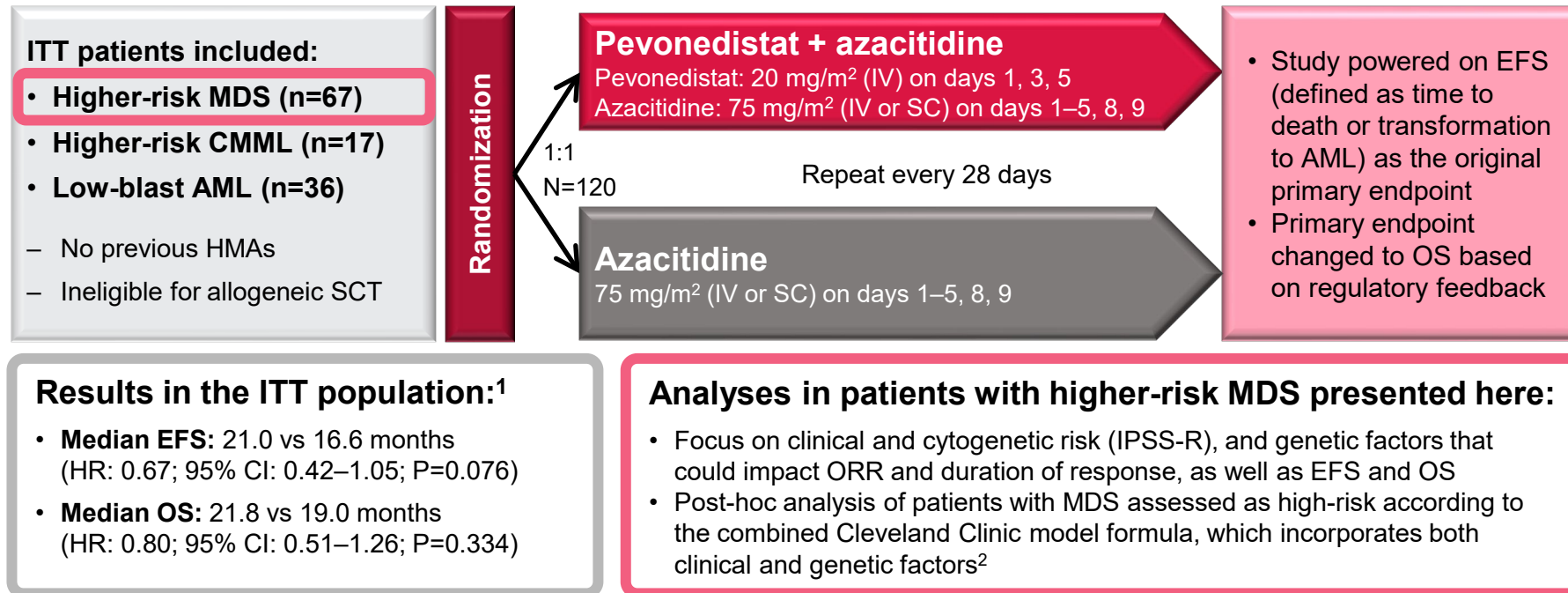


AML, acute myeloid leukemia; NAE, NEDD8-activating enzyme; NEDD8, neural precursor cell expressed, developmentally downregulated 8; NF-kB, nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells.

1. Brownell JE, et al. Mol Cell 2010;37:102–11; 2. Soucy TA, et al. Nature 2009;458:732–6; 3. Soucy TA, et al. Clin Cancer Res 2009;15:3912–16. 4. Smith PG, et al. Blood 2011;118:abstract 578.

Sekeres MA, et al. Blood 2020;136(Suppl. 1):653. 23

# NCT02610777: phase 2, randomized, open-label, global, multicenter study



CI, confidence interval; CMML, chronic myelomonocytic leukemia; EFS, event-free survival; HMA, hypomethylating agent; HR, hazard ratio; IPSS-R, Revised International Prognostic Scoring System; ITT, intent-to-treat; IV, intravenous; MDS, myelodysplastic syndromes; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; SC, subcutaneous; SCT, stem cell transplant.

1. Ades L, et al. J Clin Oncol 2020;38(15\_suppl):abstract 7506; oral presentation at ASCO 2020;

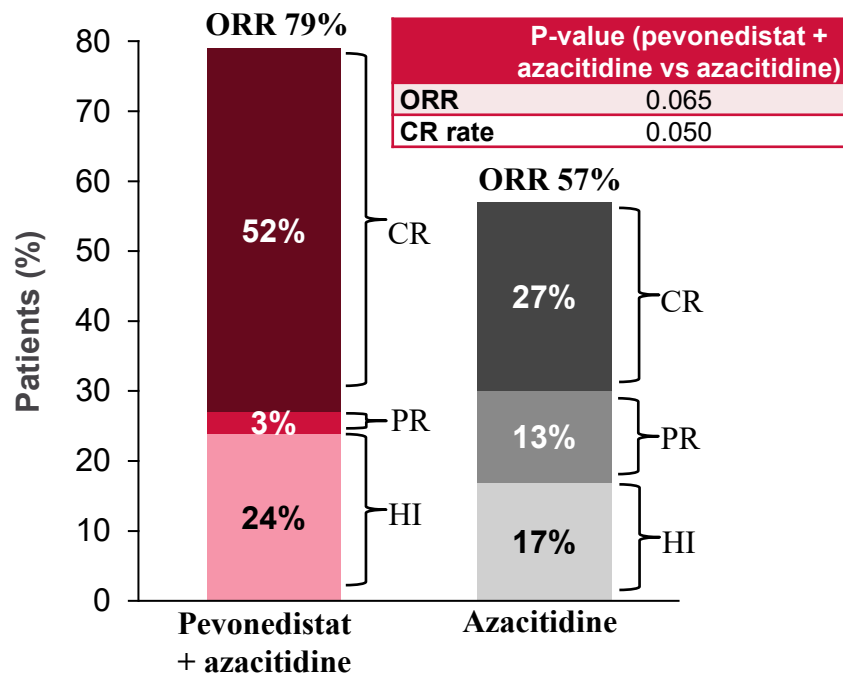
2. Nazha A, et al. Leukemia 2016;30:2214–20.

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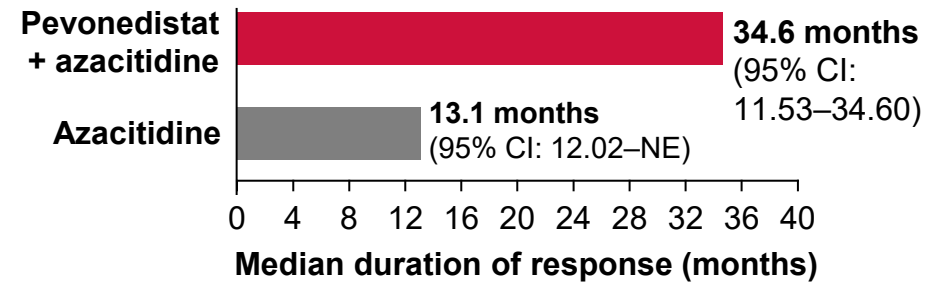


# CR rate was nearly doubled and median duration of response was almost tripled with pevonedistat + azacitidine

Response-evaluable patients with higher-risk MDS (n=59):

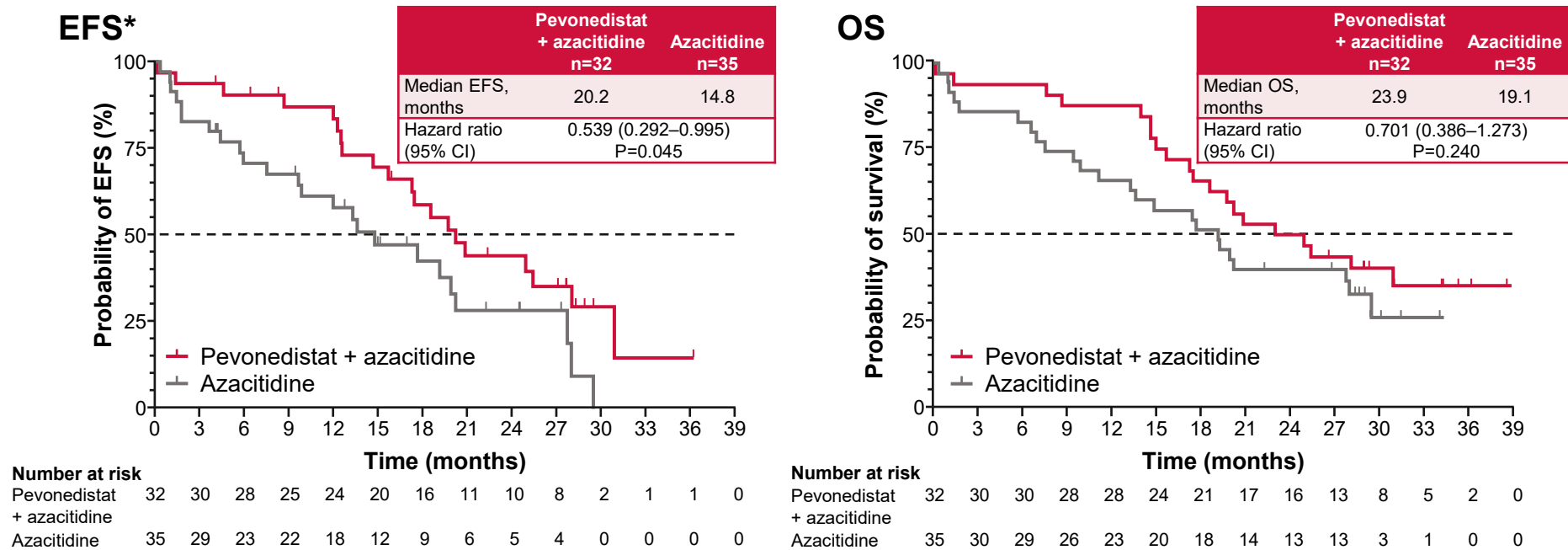


CR, complete response; HI, hematologic improvement; NE, not evaluable; PR, partial response.



	Pevonedistat + azacitidine n=16	Azacitidine n=12
Median time to first CR or PR among responders, months (range)	3.83 (1.8–25.8)	4.29 (2.0–13.2)

## EFS and OS favored pevonedistat + azacitidine among patients with higher-risk MDS according to IPSS-R

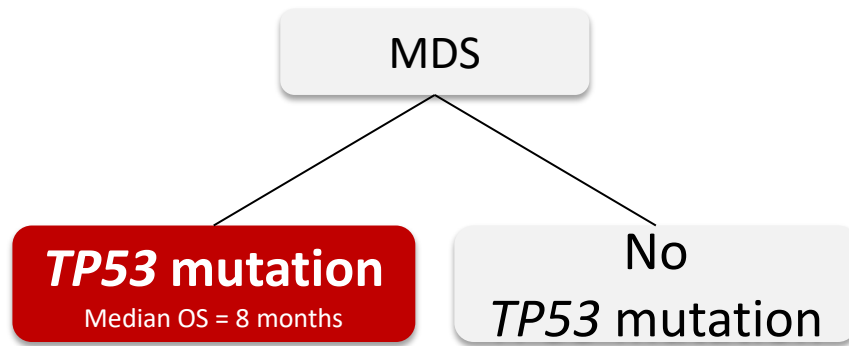


- Longer EFS was particularly evident in patients with IPSS-R-defined very-high-risk MDS (n=26; HR: 0.47; 95% CI: 0.19–1.18) and high-risk MDS (n=21; HR: 0.53; 95% CI: 0.17–1.72)

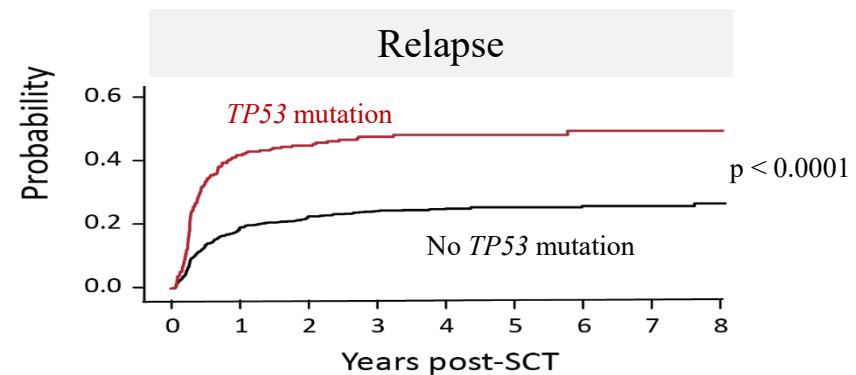
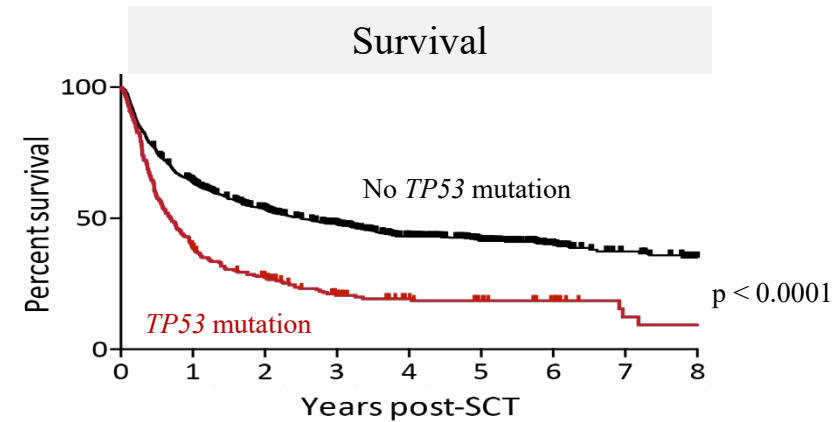
\*EFS defined as time to death or transformation to AML in higher-risk MDS.

# *TP53* mutated MDS

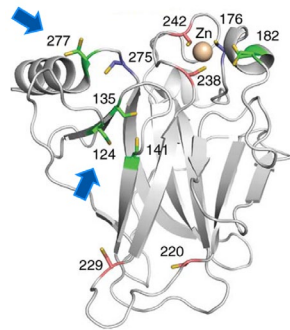
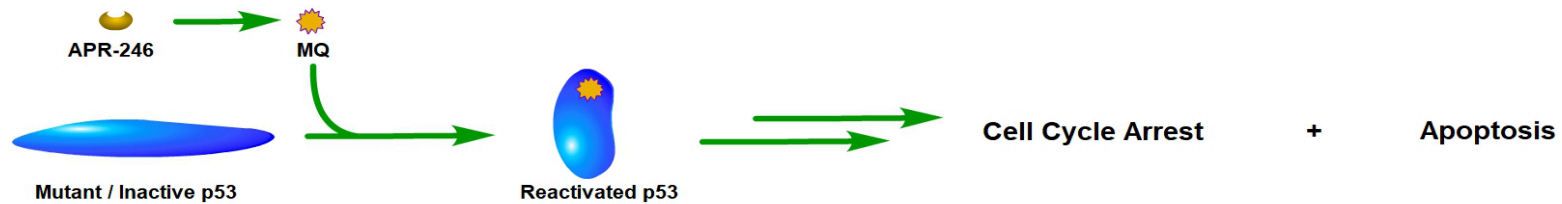
*Poor prognosis Post-SCT due to early relapse*



Cutler C, ASH 2020: donor v no donor higher risk MDS: n=384 48 v 27% 3 y OS in age 50-75

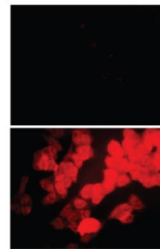


# Targeting TP53 Mutations in MDS/AML via APR-246

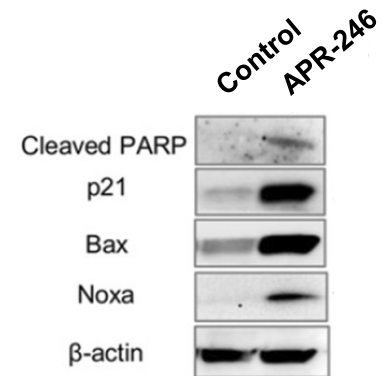


APR-246 binds covalently to p53...

p53  
R175H  
p53  
R175H  
+  
APR-246



...restores wt p53 conformation & activity...



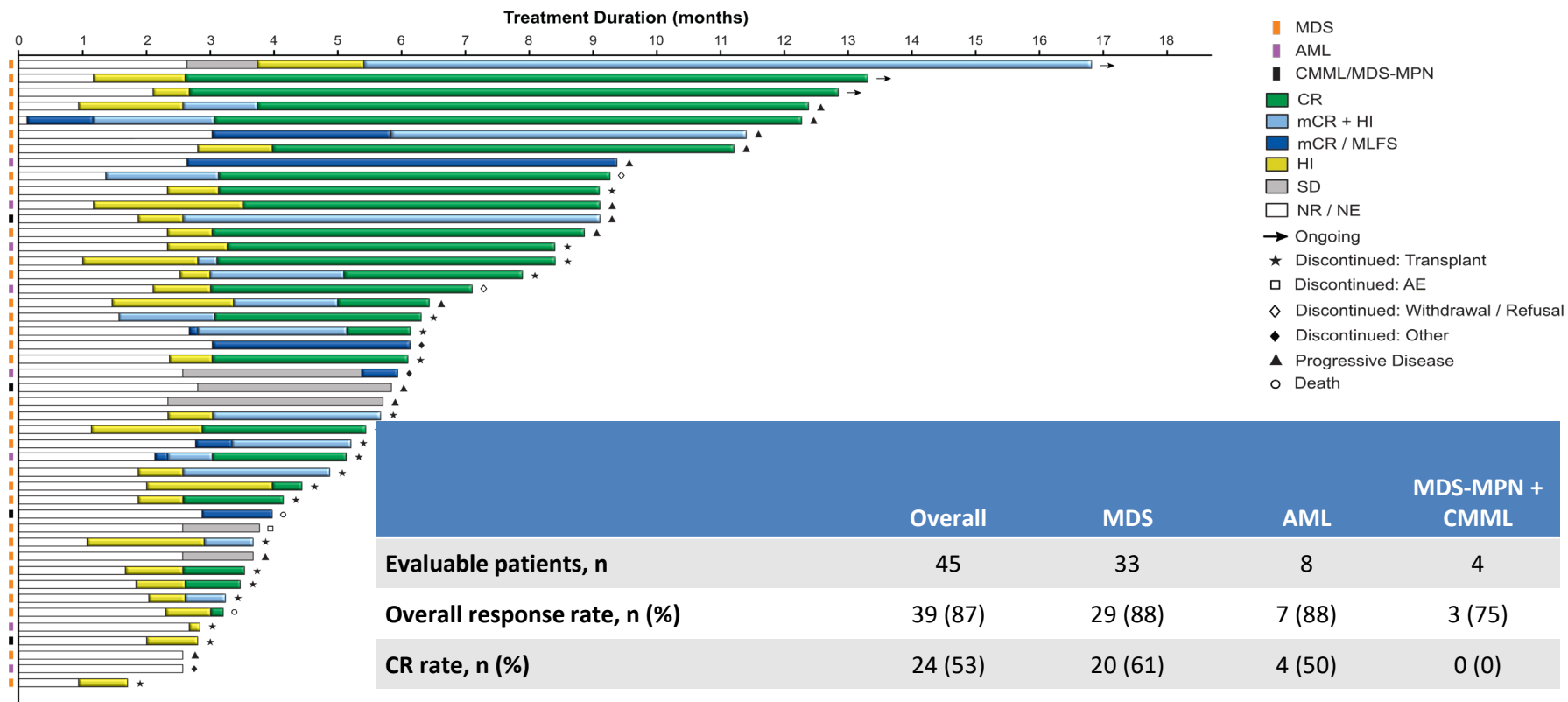
...and triggers cell cycle arrest and apoptosis

Li, Feng et al. (2019) Proc. Soc. Exp. Biol. Med. 276(1):1-10. doi:10.3181/0739-6130.117.381001



# Response to Treatment in Evaluable Patients (n=45)

## APR-246+AZA

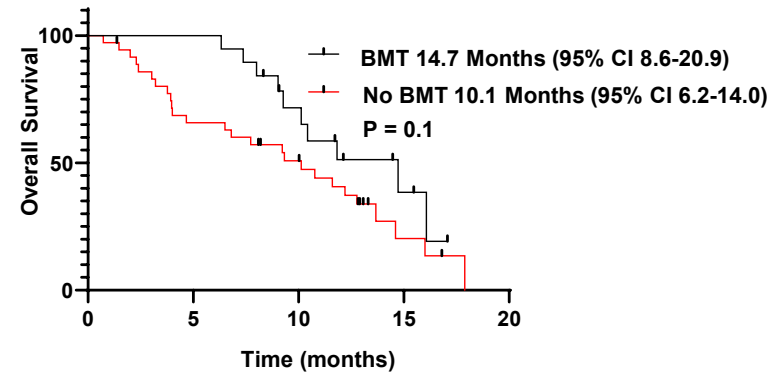
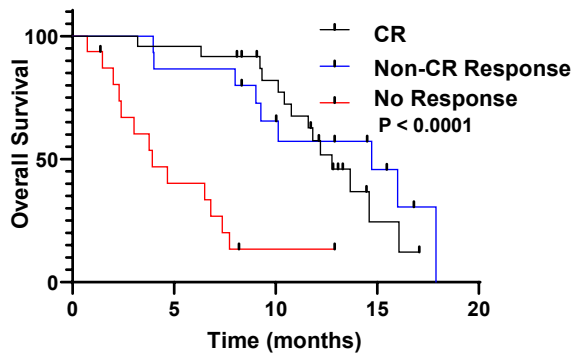
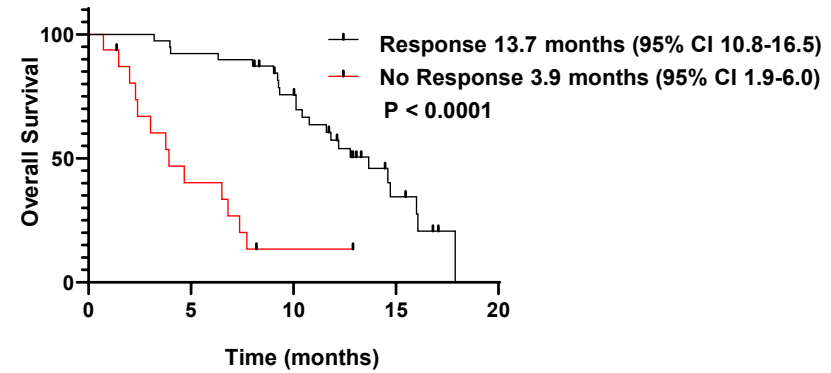
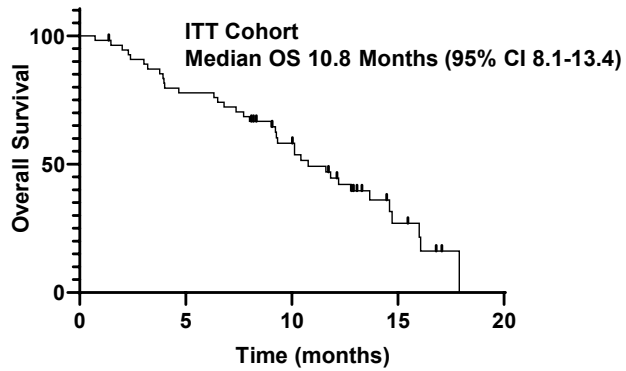


	Overall	MDS	AML	MDS-MPN + CMML
<b>Evaluable patients, n</b>	45	33	8	4
<b>Overall response rate, n (%)</b>	39 (87)	29 (88)	7 (88)	3 (75)
<b>CR rate, n (%)</b>	24 (53)	20 (61)	4 (50)	0 (0)
<b>Duration of CR, months (median) [95% CI]</b>	7.3 [5.8 – N.E.]	7.3 [5.8 – N.E.]	7.0 [3.3 – N.E.]	N.E.
<b>Discontinued for transplant, n (%)</b>	22 (49)	17 (52)	4 (50)	1 (25)

• Median duration of follow-up = 10.8 months

Sallman D, et al, ASH 2019

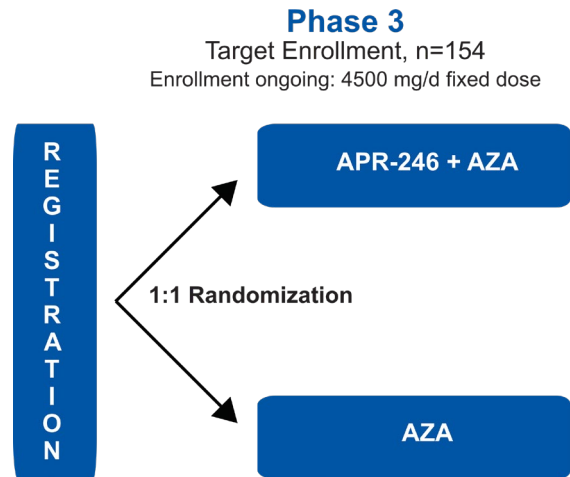
# Overall Survival (ITT): APR-246+aza



44% cleared TP53 to <5% VAF

# Pivotal Phase 3 MDS Trial in *TP53*-Mutant MDS

- Randomized study of frontline azacitidine ± APR-246 in *TP53*-mutant MDS



- [ClinicalTrials.gov. NCT03745716.](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03745716)

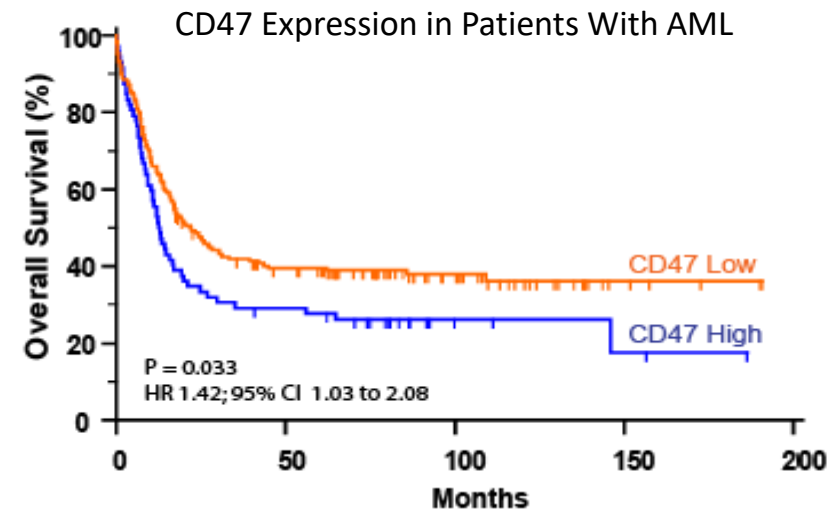
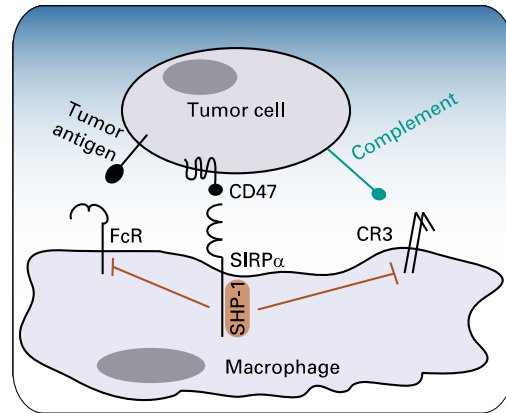
- Intermediate-/high-/very high-risk *TP53*-mutant MDS
- Primary endpoint: CR rate
- Secondary endpoints: ORR, DoR, PFS, LFS, OS, transplant rate

- Status
  - Enrollment commenced in January 2019
  - Currently targeting full enrollment in first quarter 2020
  - Fast Track Designation for MDS: granted by FDA in April 2019
  - Orphan Drug Designations for MDS: granted by FDA in April 2019 and EMA in July 2019

Press Release 12/20: primary EP Not met

# CD47

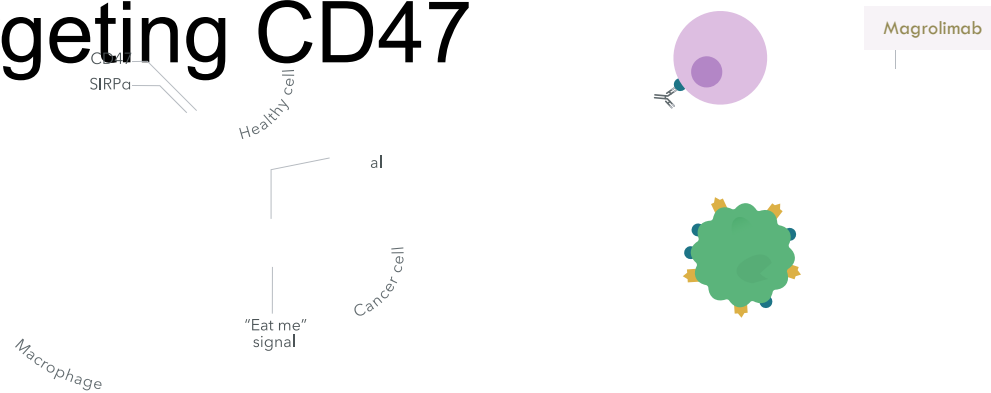
- Major macrophage immune checkpoint and "do not eat me" signal in myeloid malignancies including MDS and AML



- CD47 is a "do not eat me" signal on cancers that enables macrophage immune evasion
- Increased CD47 expression predicts worse prognosis in patients with AML

Veillette, A, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 37:1012-1014; Chao MP, et al. *Curr Opin Immunol.* 2012;24:225-32; Majeti R, et al. *Cell.* 2009 Jul 23;138(2):286-99.; Sallman D, et al. ASH 2019. Abstract 569.

# Magrolimab (Formerly 5F9) Is a First-in-Class Macrophage Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Targeting CD47

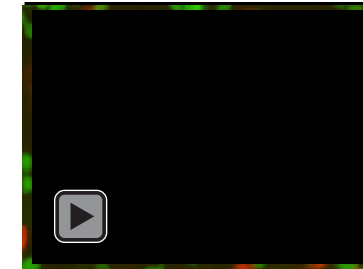


CD47 is a “do not eat me” signal that is overexpressed in multiple cancers, including acute myeloid leukemia, leading to macrophage immune evasion

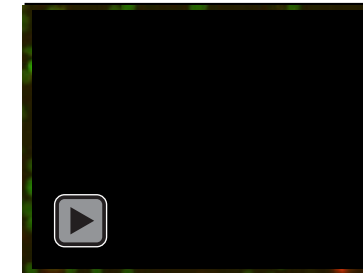
Magrolimab, an IgG4 anti-CD47 monoclonal antibody (mAb), eliminates tumor cells through macrophage phagocytosis

Magrolimab is being investigated in multiple cancers with >500 patients dose

Control mAb: No Phagocytosis

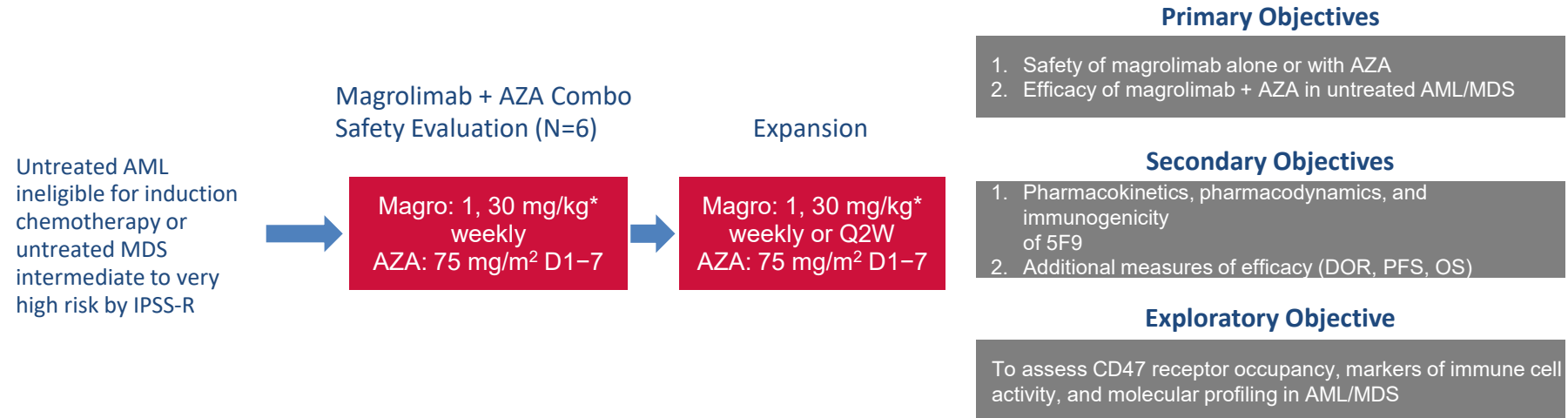


Anti-CD47 mAb: Phagocytosis



Macrophages  
Cancer cells

# 5F9005 Study Design: Magrolimab in Combination With AZA in AML and MDS



A magrolimab priming dose (1 mg/kg) and dose ramp-up were utilized to mitigate on-target anemia

\*Dose ramp-up from 1 mg/kg to 30 mg/kg by week 2, then 30 mg/kg maintenance dosing.  
IPSS-R: Revised International Prognostic Scoring System.

Sallman D, et al , ASH 2020

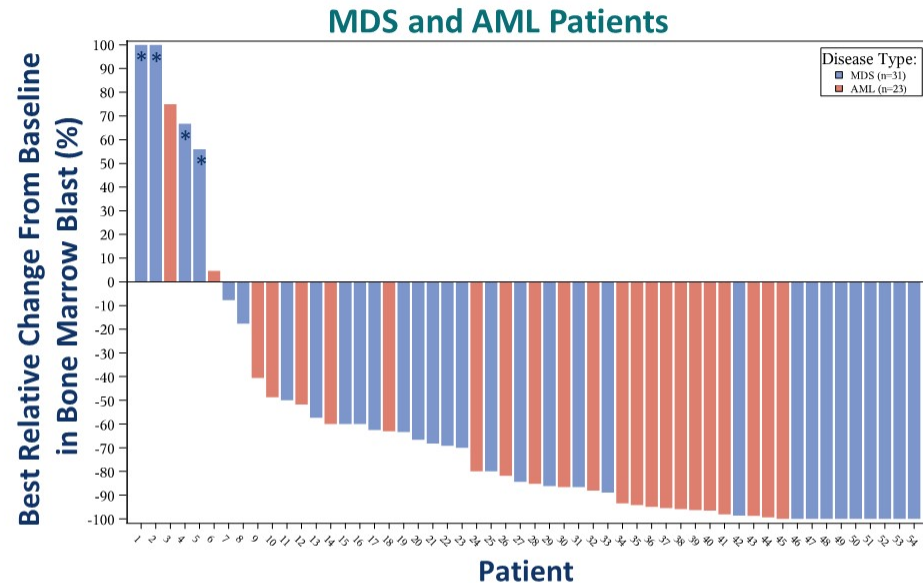
# Magrolimab + AZA Induces High Response Rates in MDS and AML

Best Overall Response	1L MDS N=33	1L AML N=25
ORR	30 (91%)	16 (64%)
CR	14 (42%)	10 (40%)
CRi	NA	4 (16%)
PR	1 (3%)	1 (4%)
MLFS/marrow CR	8 (24%) 4 with marrow CR + HI	1 (4%)
Hematologic improvement (HI)	7 (21%)	NA
SD	3 (9%)	8 (32%)
PD	0	1 (4%)

Response assessments per 2006 IWG MDS criteria and 2017 AML ELN criteria. Patients with at least 1 post-treatment response assessment are shown; all other patients are on therapy and are too early for first response assessment, except for 2 MDS patients not evaluable (withdrawal of consent) and 3 AML patients (1 AE, 2 early withdrawal).

- Magrolimab + AZA induces a 91% ORR (42% CR) in MDS and 64% ORR (56% CR/CRi) in AML
- Responses deepened over time with a 56% 6-month CR rate in MDS patients (assessed in all patients 6 months after initial treatment)
- Median time to response is 1.9 months, more rapid than AZA alone
- Magrolimab + AZA efficacy compares favorably to AZA monotherapy (CR rate 6-17%<sup>1,2</sup>)

1. Azacitidine USPI. 2. Fenaux P, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2009 ;10(3):223-232.



Note: on target anemia mitigated by priming

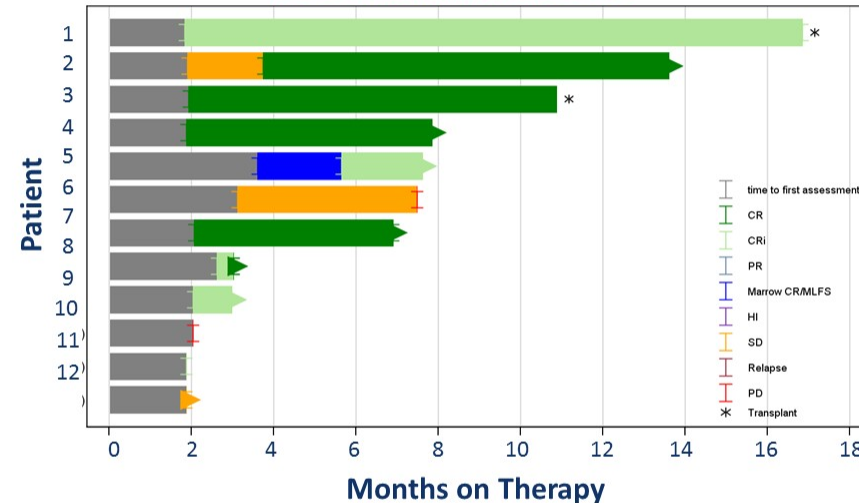


# Magrolimab + AZA Eliminates Disease in AML and MDS Patients With *TP53* Mutation

Efficacy in *TP53*-Mutant Patients

Best Overall Response	AML <i>TP53</i> Mutant (N=12)	MDS <i>TP53</i> Mutant (N=4)
ORR	9 (75%)	3 (75%)
CR	5 (42%)	2 (50%)
CRi/marrow CR	4 (33%)	1 (25%)
Complete cytogenetic response *	4/8 (50%)	3/3 (100%)
MRD negative of responders	4/9 (44%)	0
Median duration of response (months)	Not reached (0.03+ – 15.1+)	Not reached (0.03+ – 5.2+)
Survival probability at 6 months	91%	100%
Median follow-up (range) (months)	8.8 (1.9 – 16.9)	7 (4.2 – 12.2)

*TP53*-Mutant AML Patients



\*Responding patients with abnormal cytogenetics at baseline.

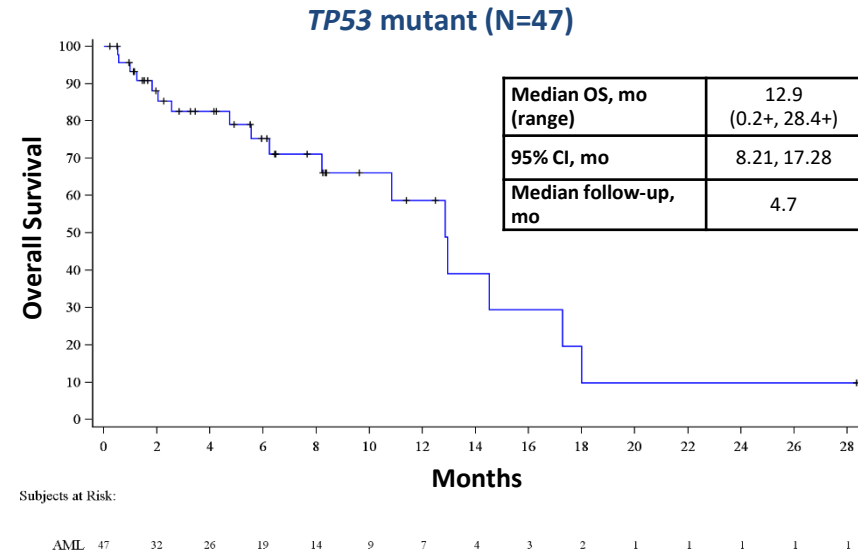
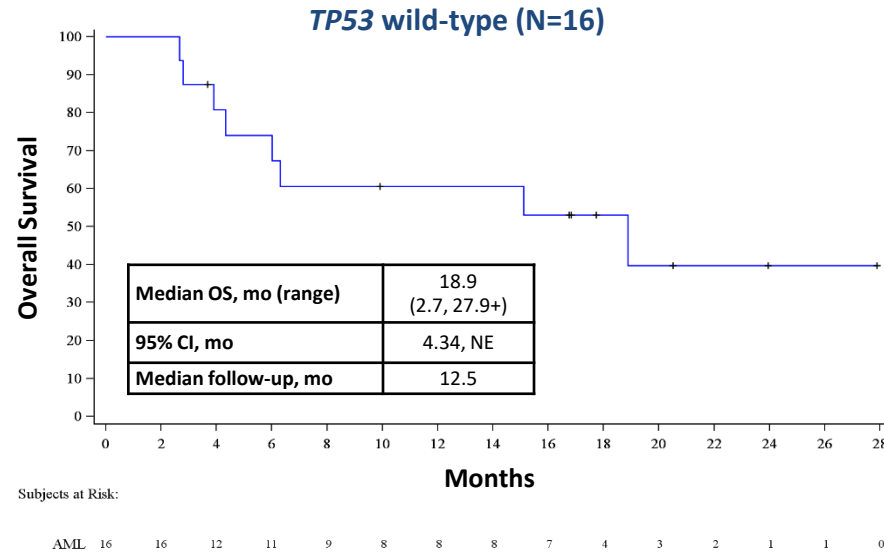
- Magrolimab + AZA has a high response rate with deep responses in *TP53*-mutant AML and MDS patients
- The estimated 6-month survival is 91% and 100% in AML and MDS patients, respectively
- Median duration and survival has not been reached, which compares favorably to current therapies
  - Venetoclax + AZA in AML: ORR 47%, DOR 5.6 mo, OS 7.2 mo<sup>1</sup>

1. DiNardo CD, et al. *Blood*. 2019;133(1):7-17.

9/16 pts cleared *TP53* variant allele frequency (VAF) to less than 5%



# Preliminary Median Overall Survival Is Encouraging in Both *TP53* Wild-Type and Mutant Patients



The median OS is 18.9 months in *TP53* wild-type patients and 12.9 months in *TP53*-mutant patients. This initial median OS data may compare favorably to venetoclax + hypomethylating agent combinations (14.7-17.5 mo in all-comers,<sup>1,3</sup> 5.2–7.2 mo in patients who are *TP53* mutant<sup>2,3</sup>)

Additional patients and longer follow-up are needed to further characterize the survival benefit

NE, not evaluable.

1. DiNardo CD, et al. *N Eng J Med.* 2020;383(7):617-629. 2. Kim K, et al. Poster presented at: 62nd ASH Annual Meeting; December 5-8, 2020 (virtual). 3. DiNardo CD, et al. *Blood.* 2019;133(1):7-17.

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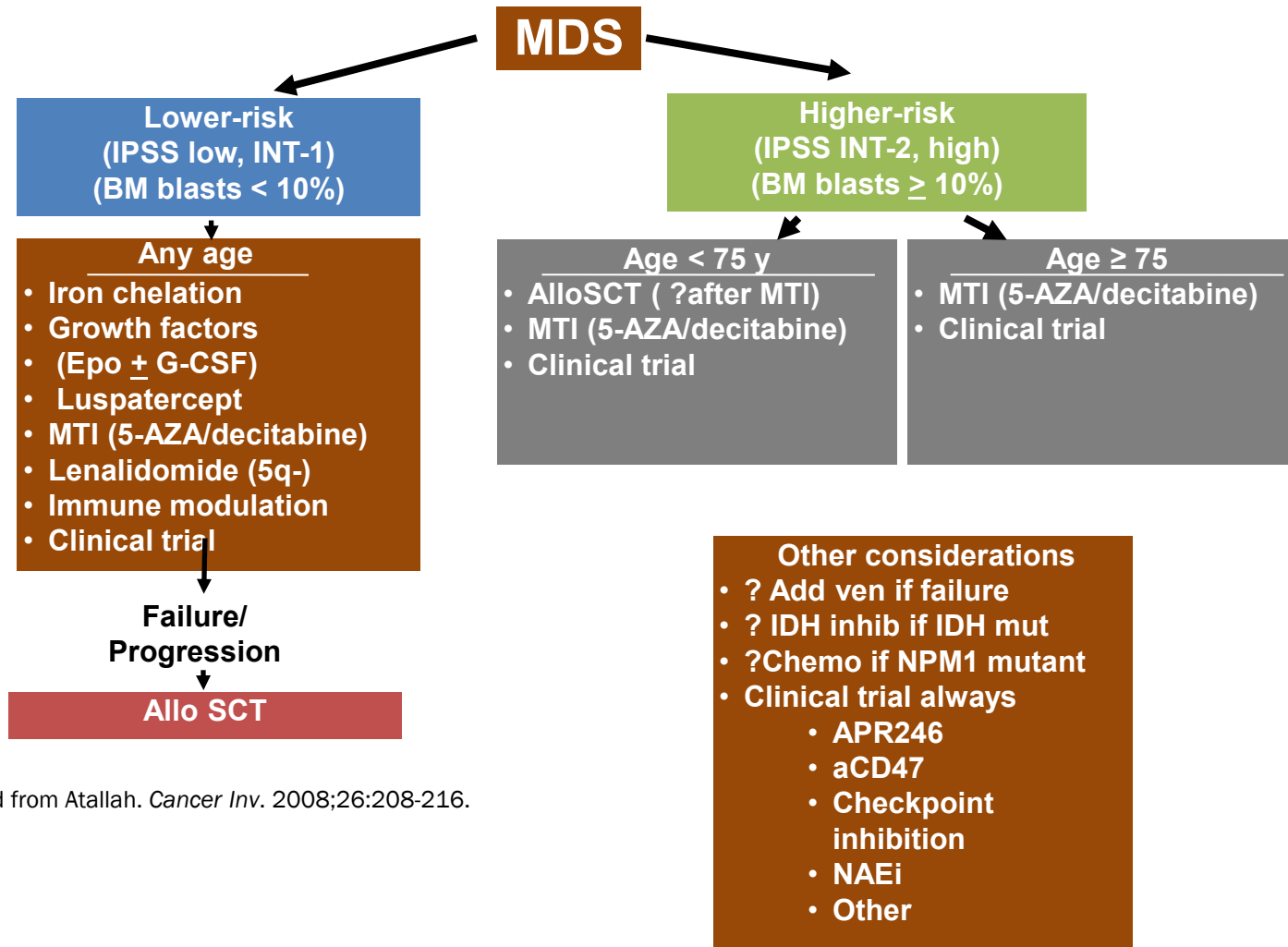


## Checkpoint Inhibition: Sabatolimab ( TIM-3 Antibody) +HMA for High Risk MDS

- 48 AML, 39 MDS, 12 CMML
- Most common Aes F&N, anemia/thrombocytopenia/neutropenia
- Few immune AAs >g3
- 2.1mo median TTR
- Estimated 12mo PFS 44%

	TIM-3 Ab+ decitabine	TIM-3 Ab +azacitidine
n	19	20
evaluable	18	17
CR	33%	12%
Marrow CR	17%	29%
SD	11%	23%
ORR	61%	65%

# Proposed Treatment Algorithm for Patients With MDS: 2021



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