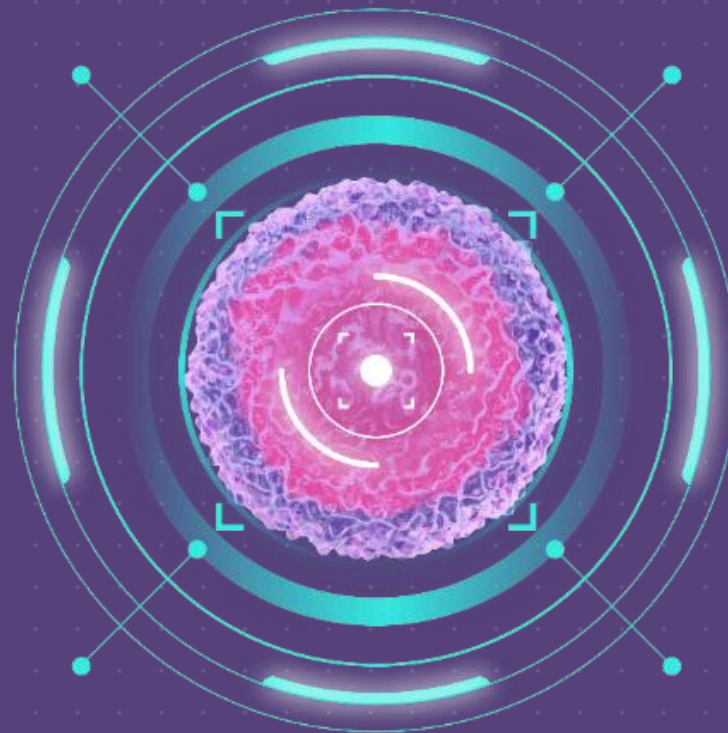




# NEW CHEMOTHERAPY-FREE APPROACHES FOR THE TREATMENT OF LYMPHOID MALIGNANCIES





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# CLL – chemotherapy-free regimens: pros and cons

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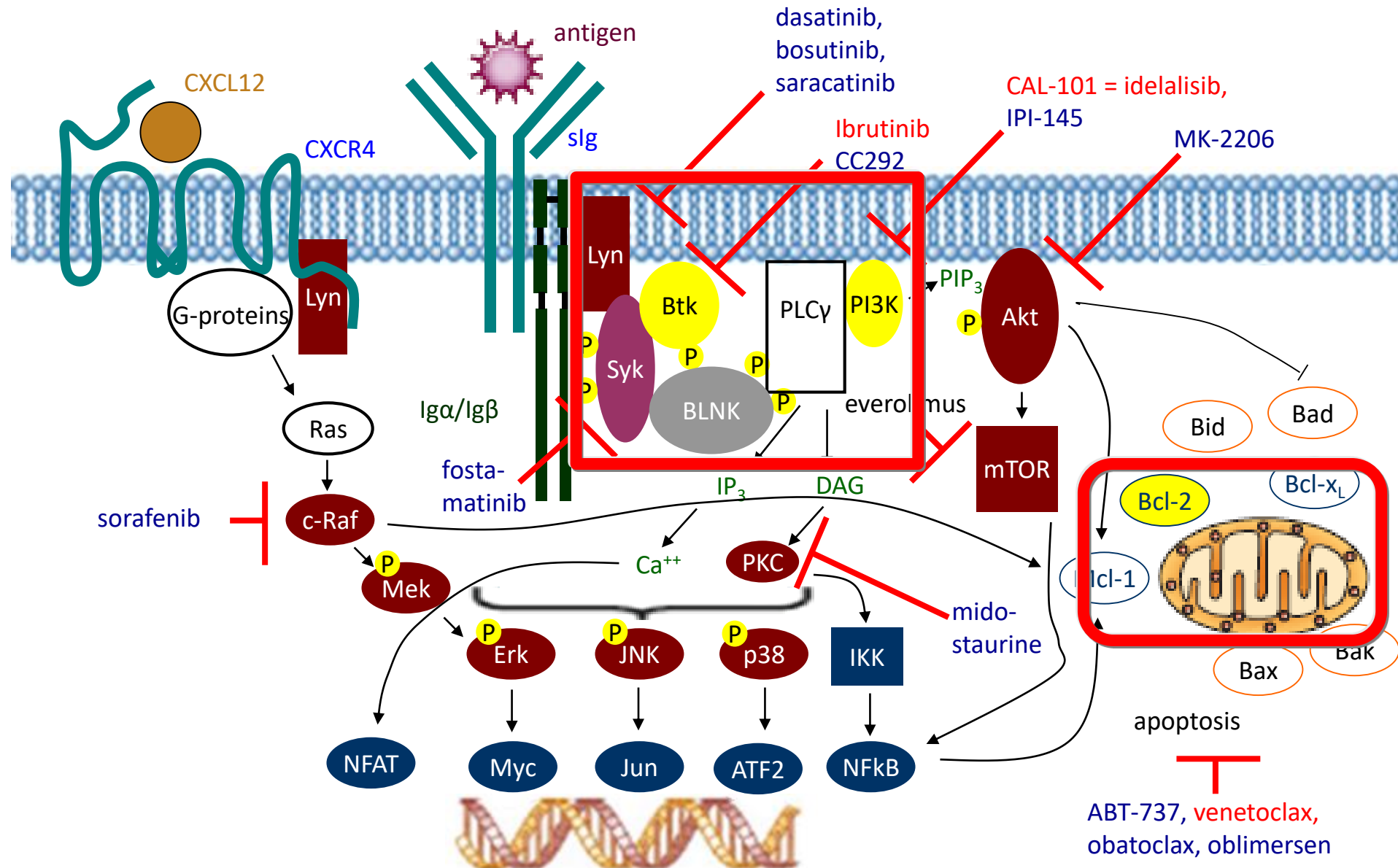
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# Novel agents target specific pathways in CLL

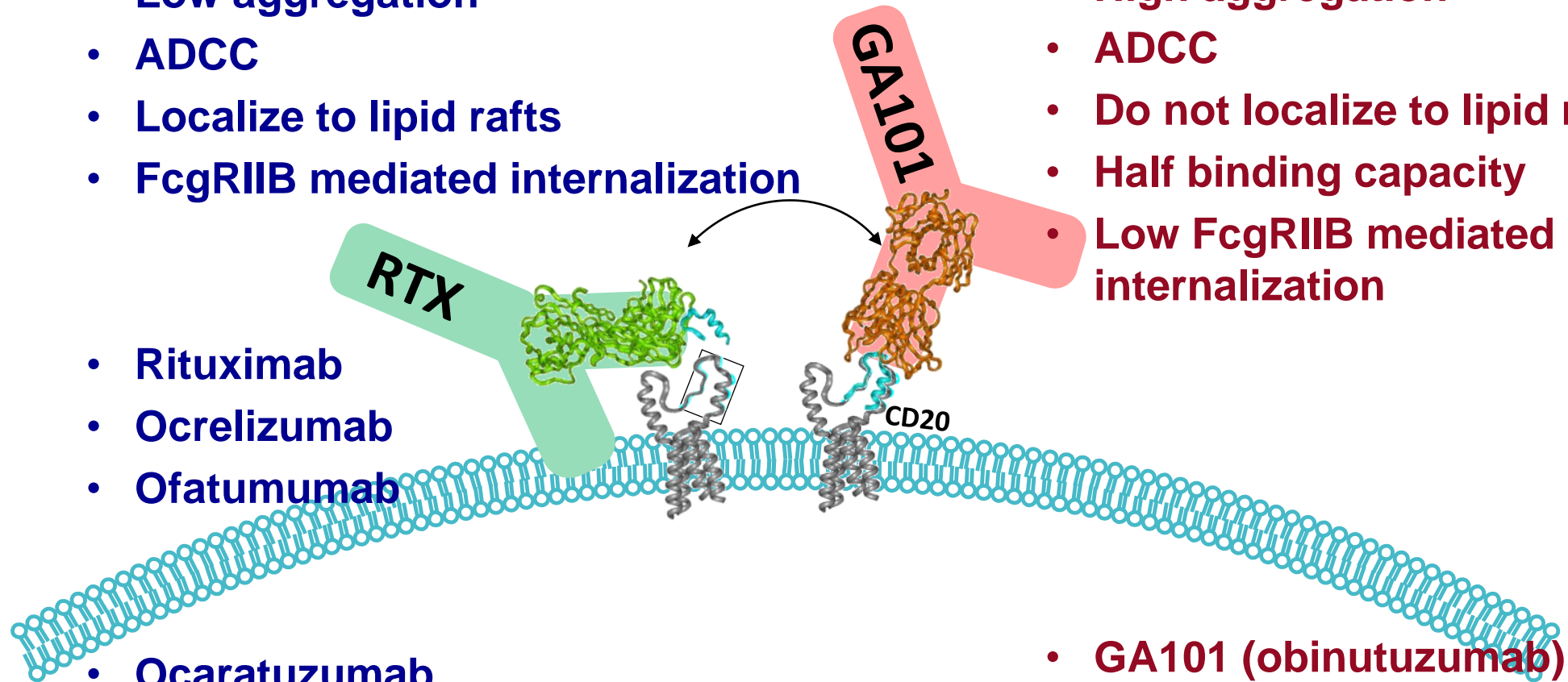


## Type I CD20 antibodies

- CDC
- Low cell death
- Low aggregation
- ADCC
- Localize to lipid rafts
- FcγRIIB mediated internalization

- Rituximab
- Ocrelizumab
- Ofatumumab

- Ocaratuzumab
- Veltuzumab
- Ublituximab



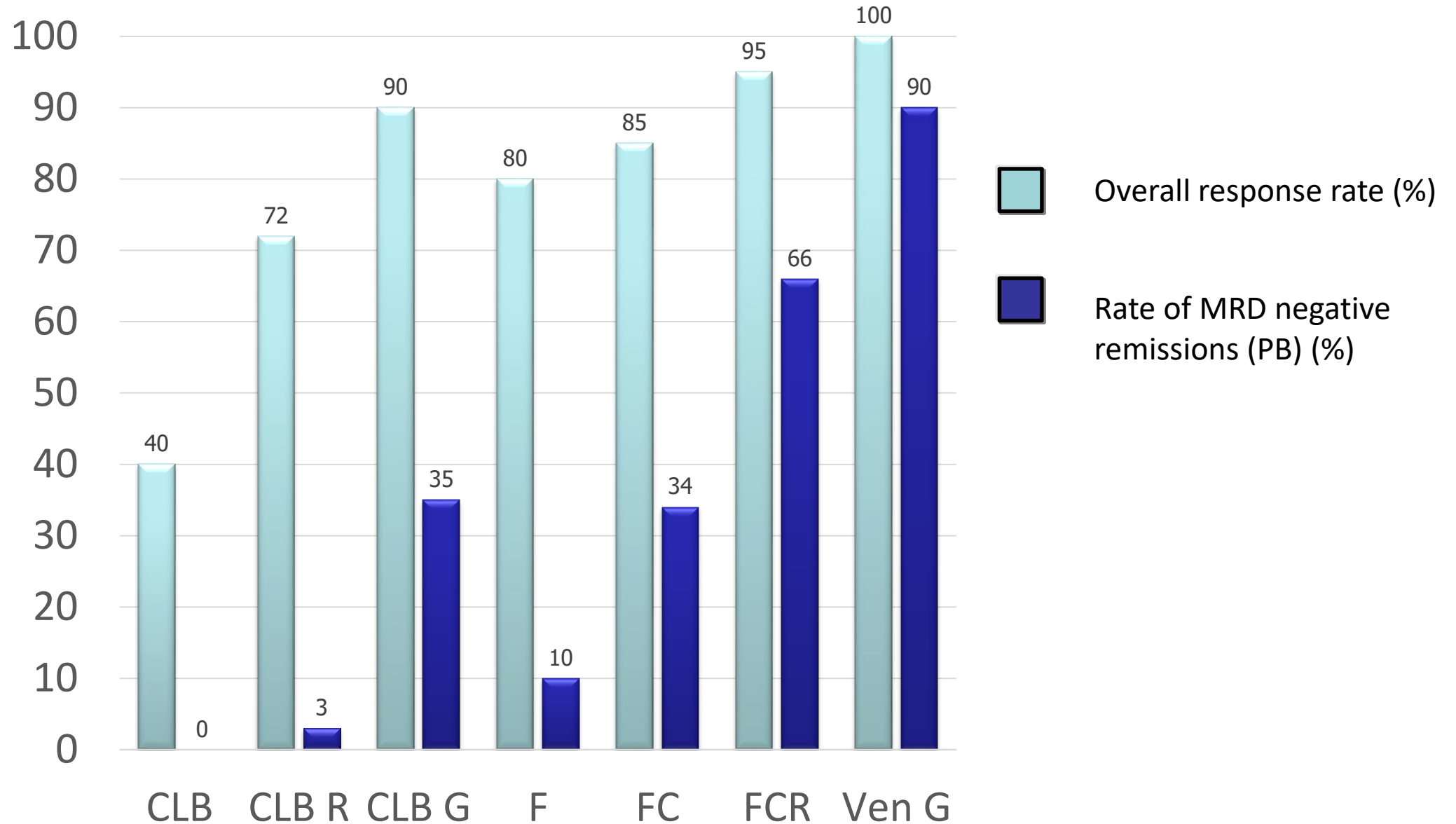
malignant B cell

## Type II antibodies

- Low CDC
- High cell death
- High aggregation
- ADCC
- Do not localize to lipid rafts
- Half binding capacity
- Low FcγRIIB mediated internalization

- GA101 (obinutuzumab)
- Tositumomab (B1)

# Increased efficacy of CLL therapies





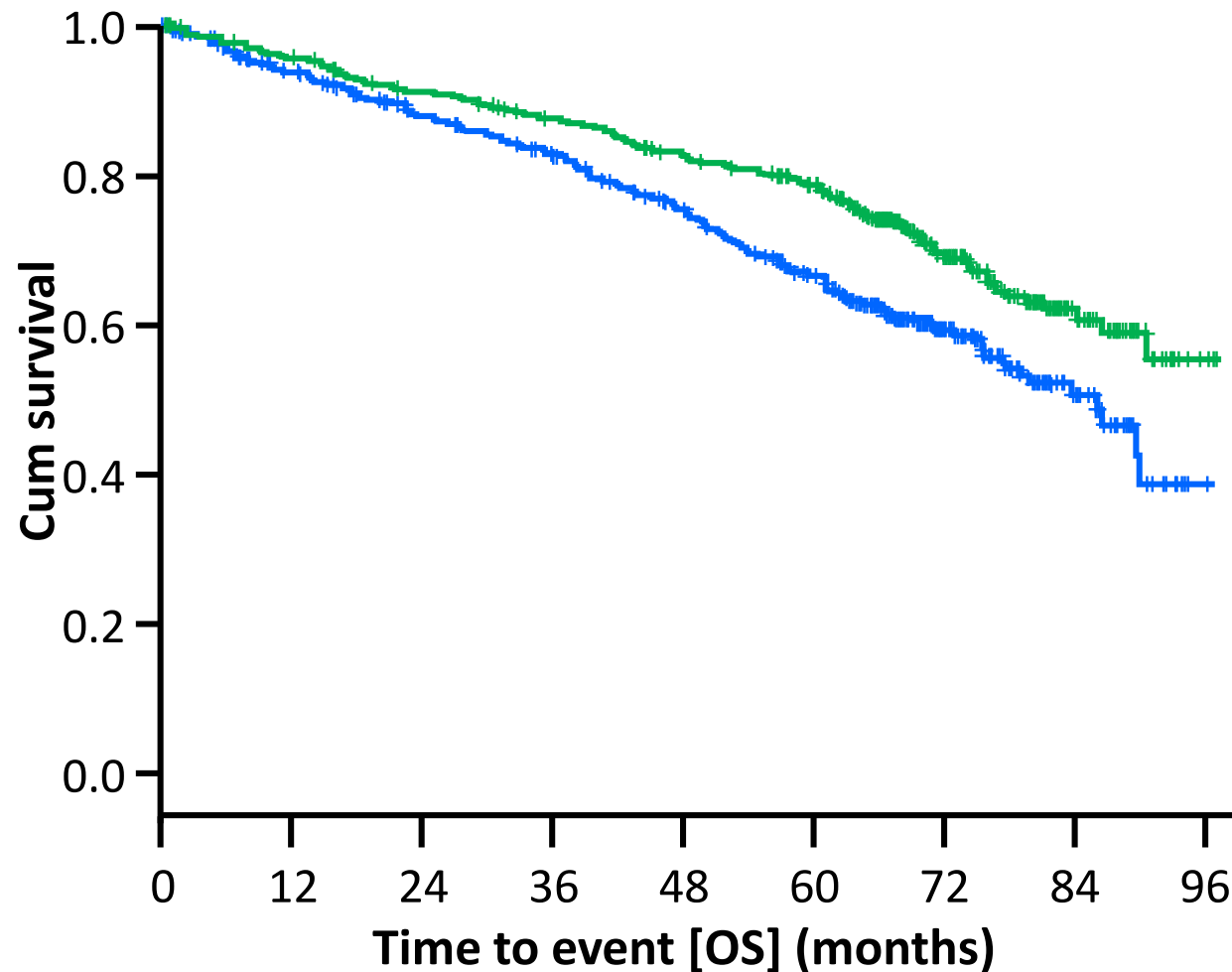






# CLL8 trial: Overall survival, update 2012

## FCR versus FC



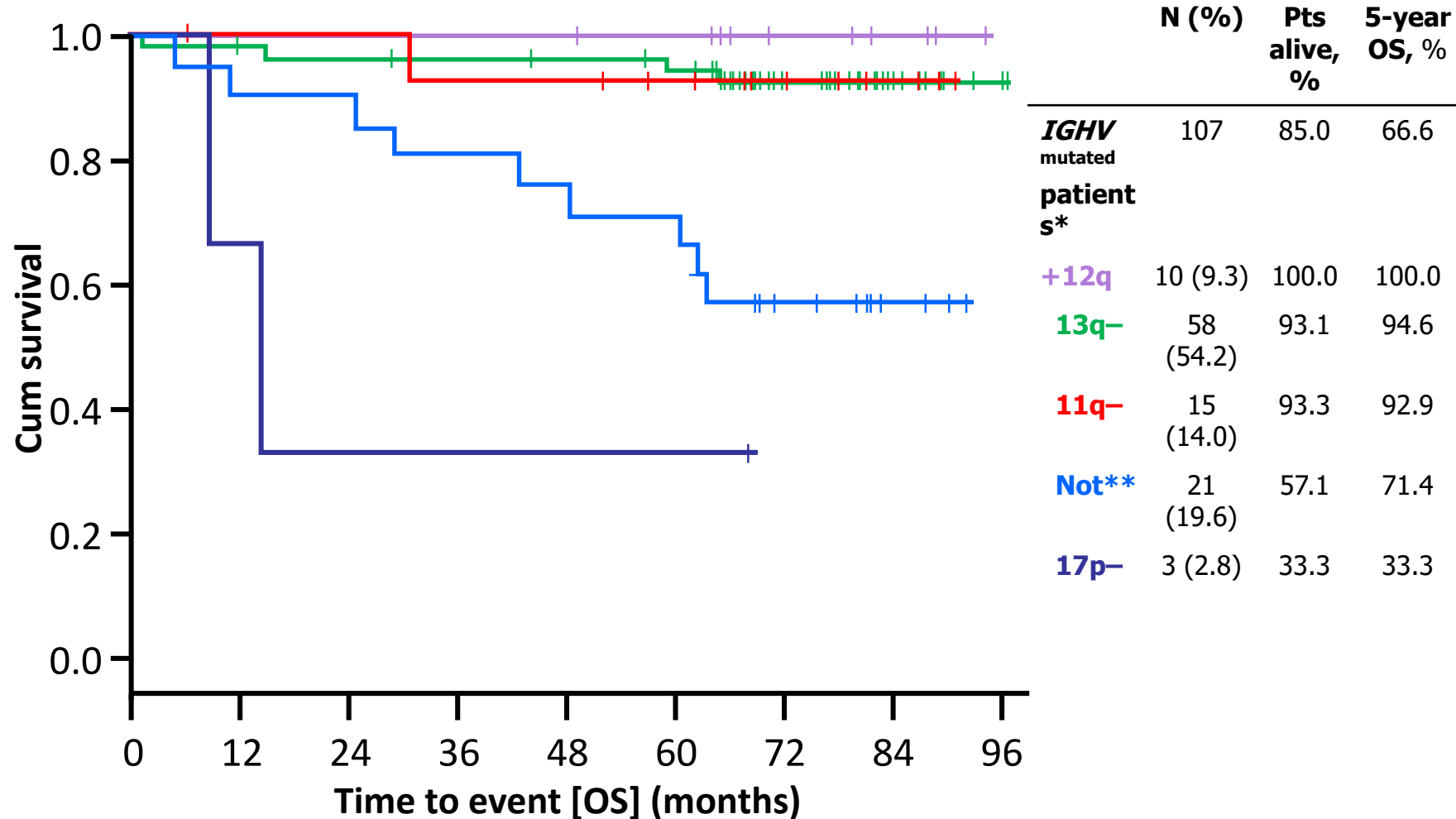
Median observation  
time 5.9 years

**FCR** 69.4% alive  
Median not reached  
**FC** 62.3% alive  
Median 86 months

HR 0.68,  
95% CI 0.535–0.858  
p=0.001

# Survival after FCR chemoimmunotherapy

(Fischer et al., Blood 2016)



# GCLLSG trial (time of recruitment)

Fit or young patients

CLL4  
(1999-2003)

FC

F

CLL8  
(2003-2006)

FCR

FC

CLL10  
(2008-2011)

FCR

BR

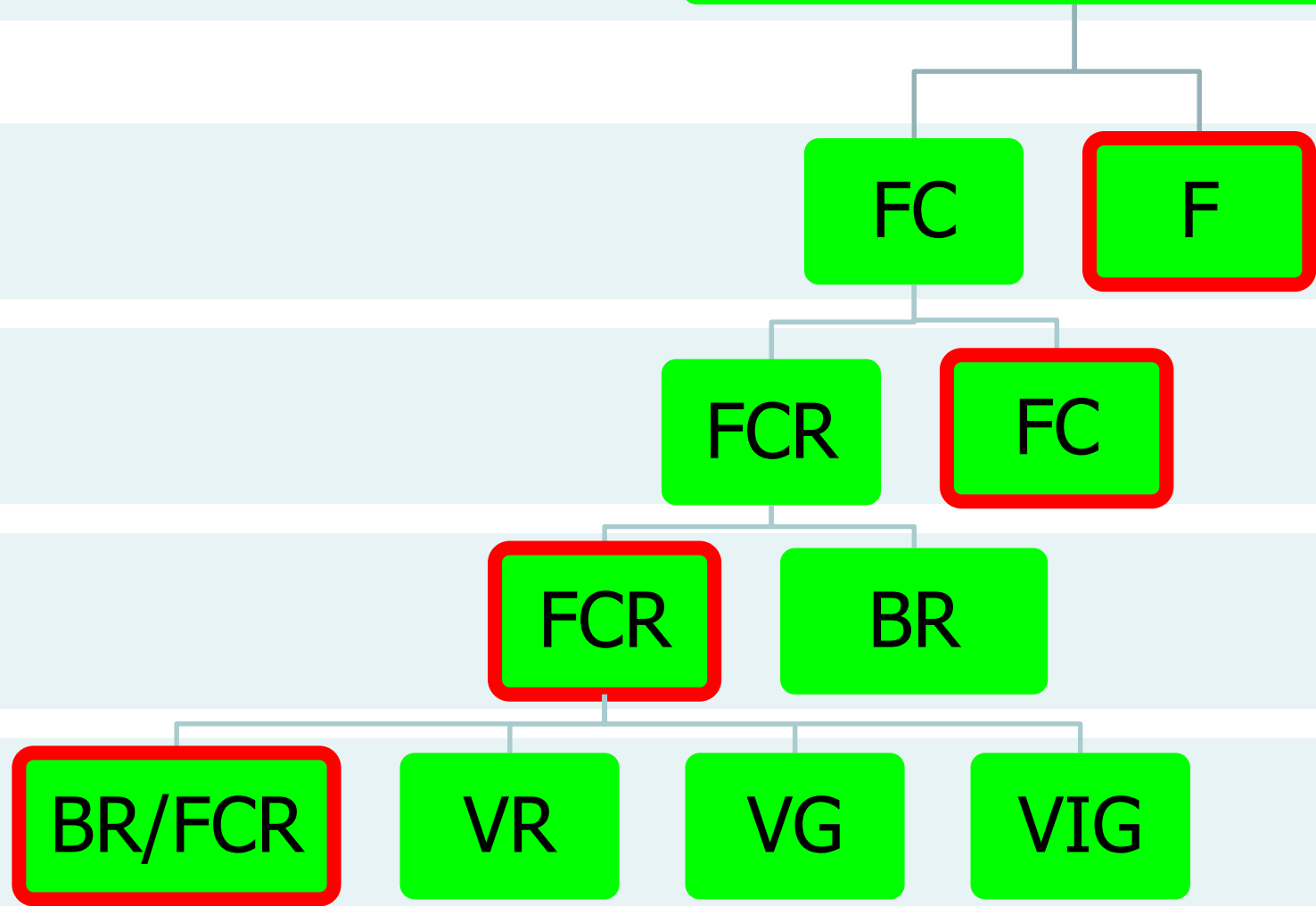
CLL13  
(2016-2019)

BR/FCR

VR

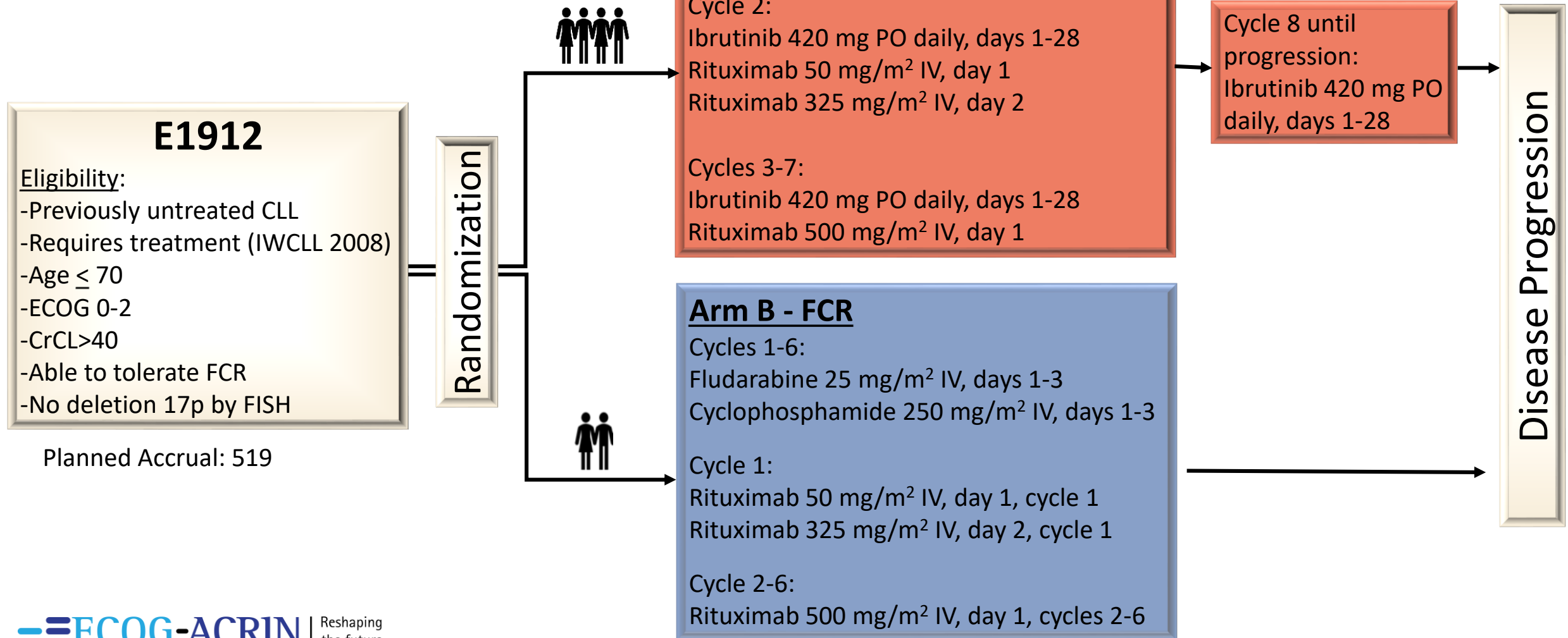
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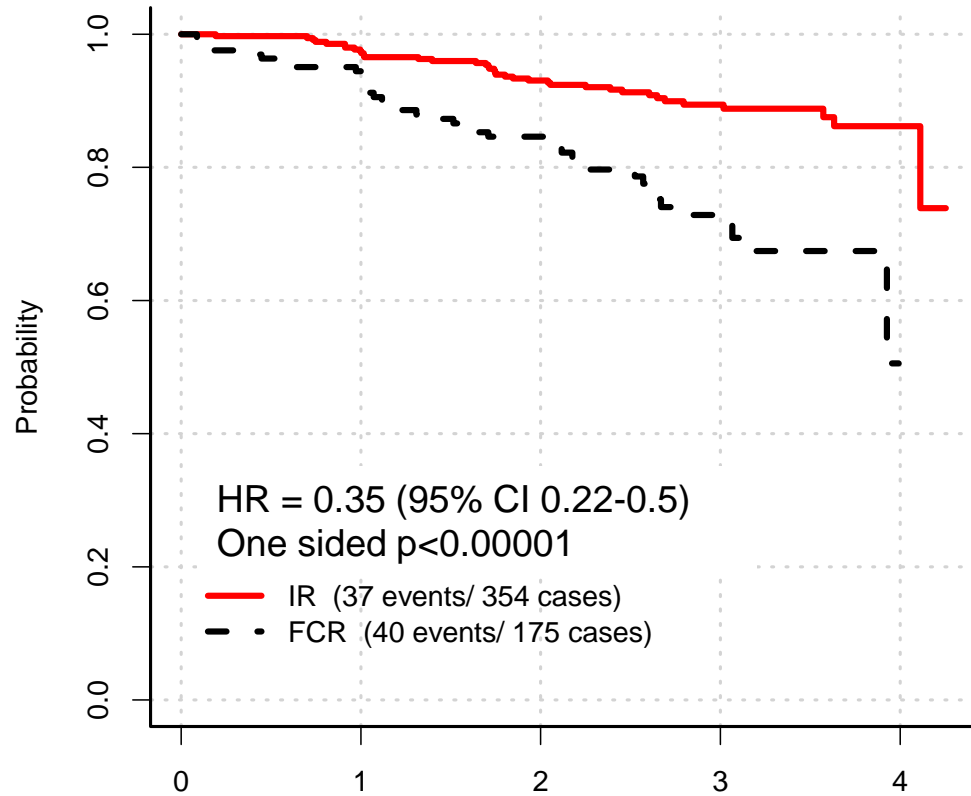
# ECOG-ACRIN trial

Shanefelt et al., ASH 2018



# Progression Free Survival

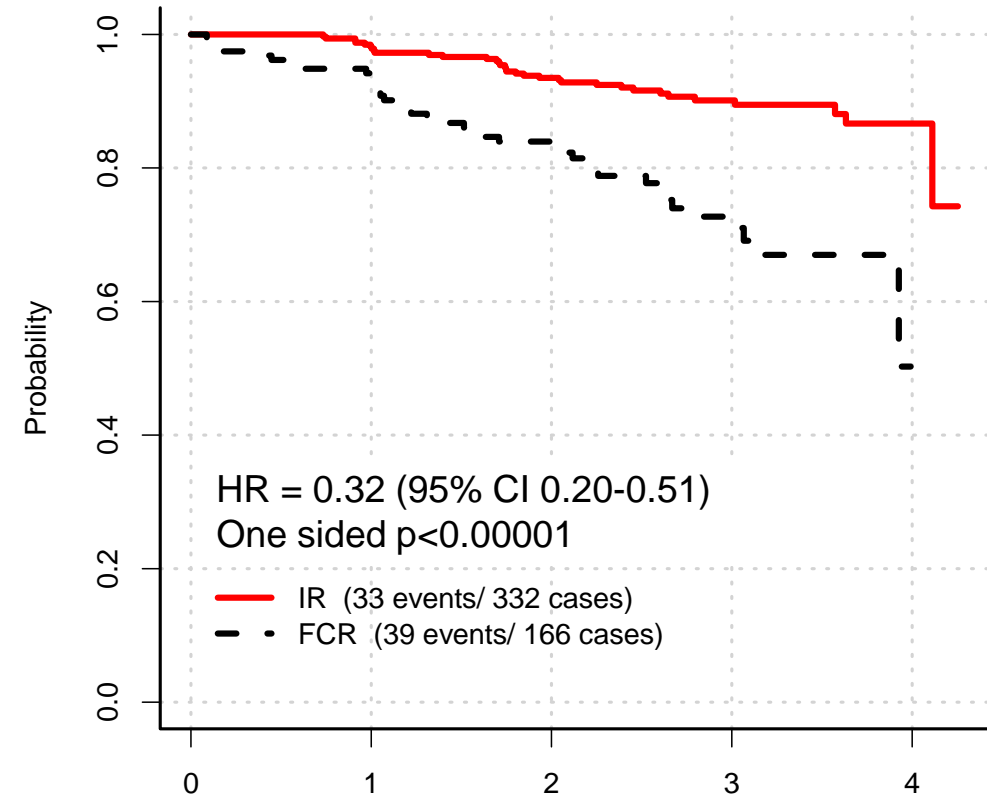
Intent to Treat



Number at risk

|         |     |     |     |    |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| — 354   | 339 | 298 | 148 | 16 |
| - - 175 | 147 | 112 | 50  | 0  |

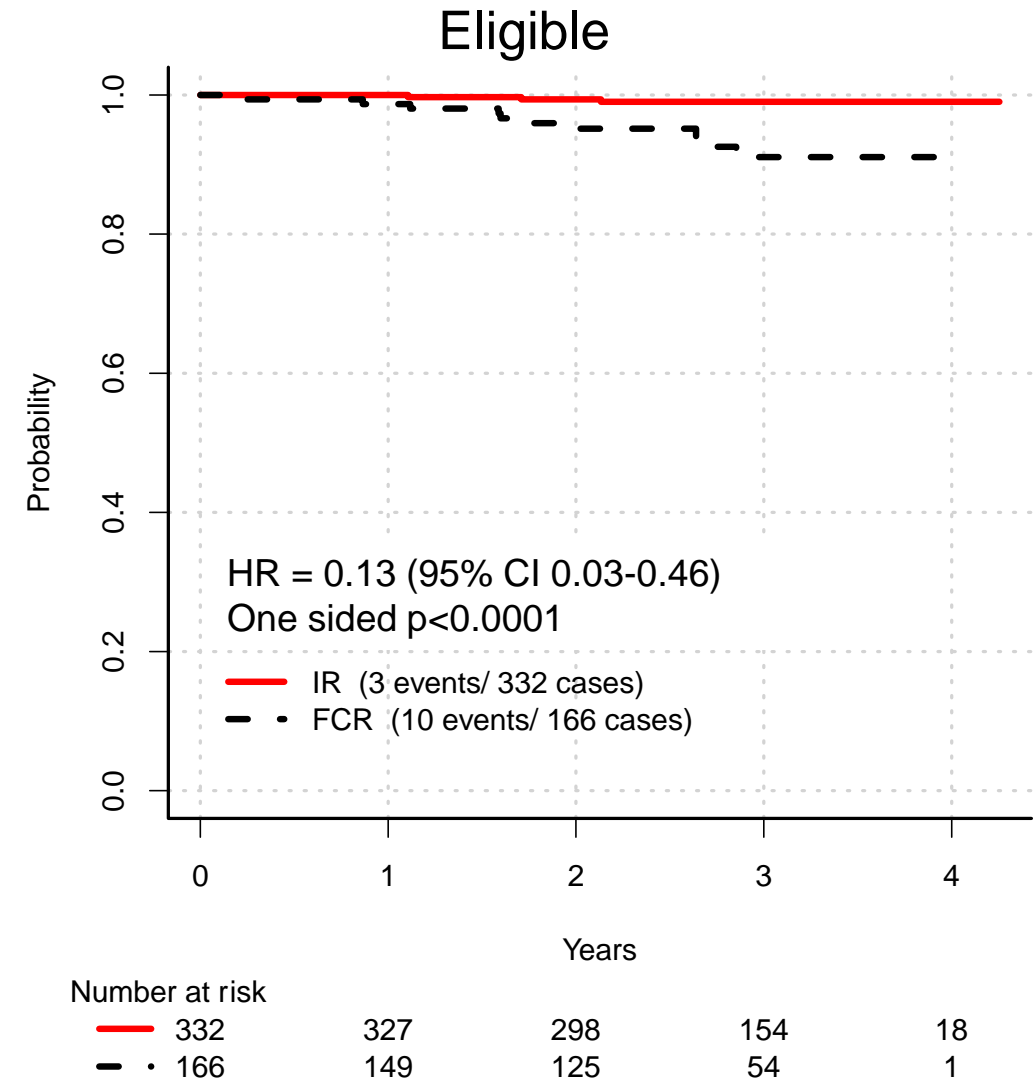
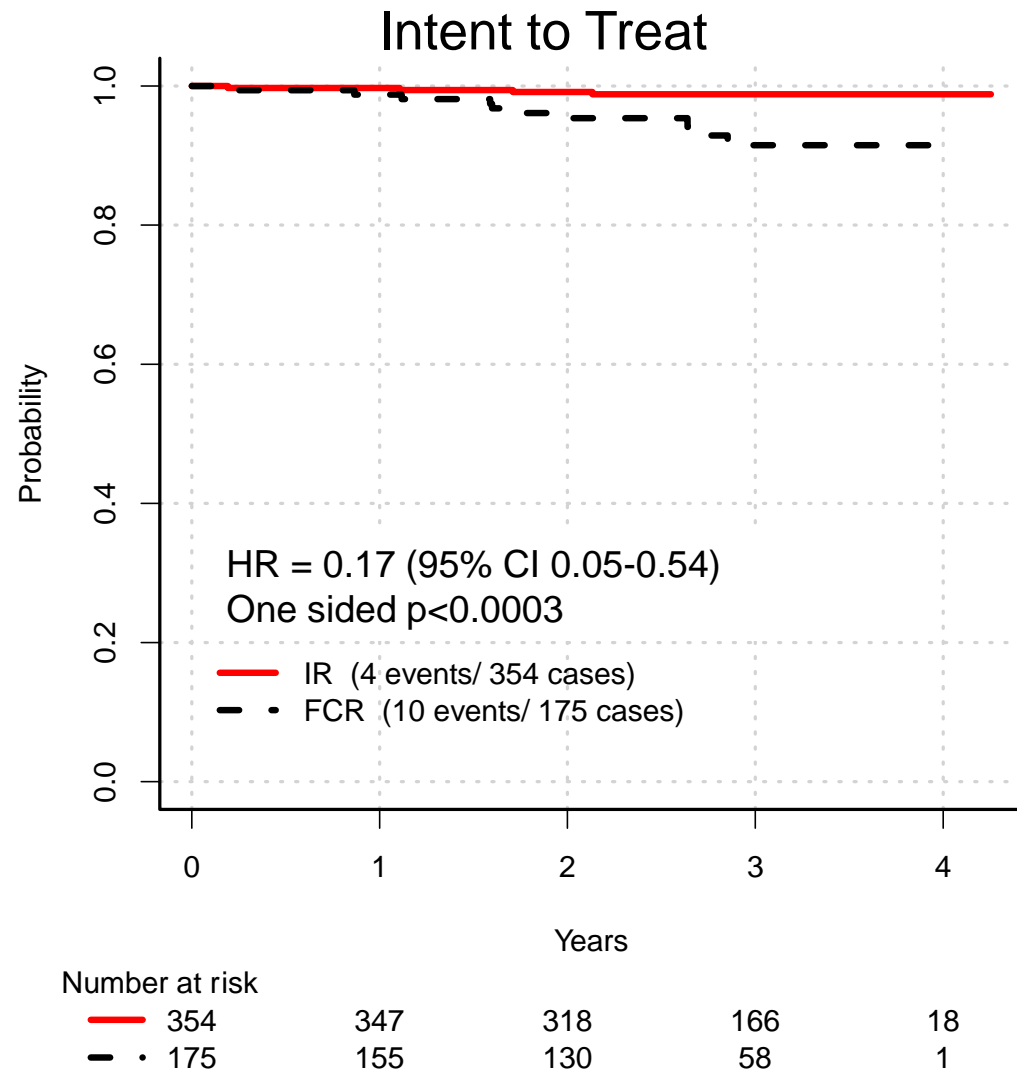
Eligible



Number at risk

|         |     |     |     |    |
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| — 332   | 321 | 280 | 138 | 16 |
| - - 166 | 141 | 107 | 47  | 0  |

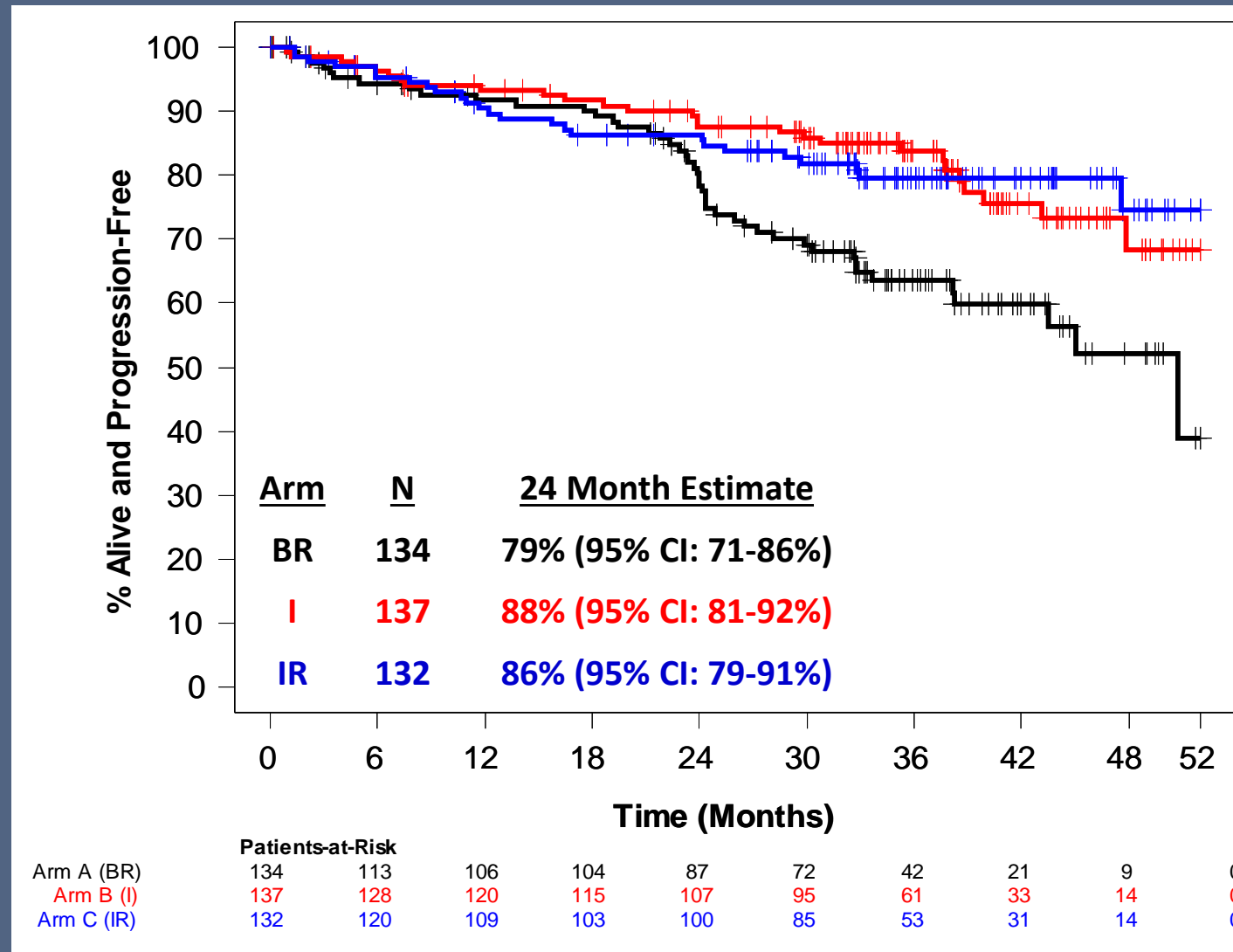
# Overall Survival





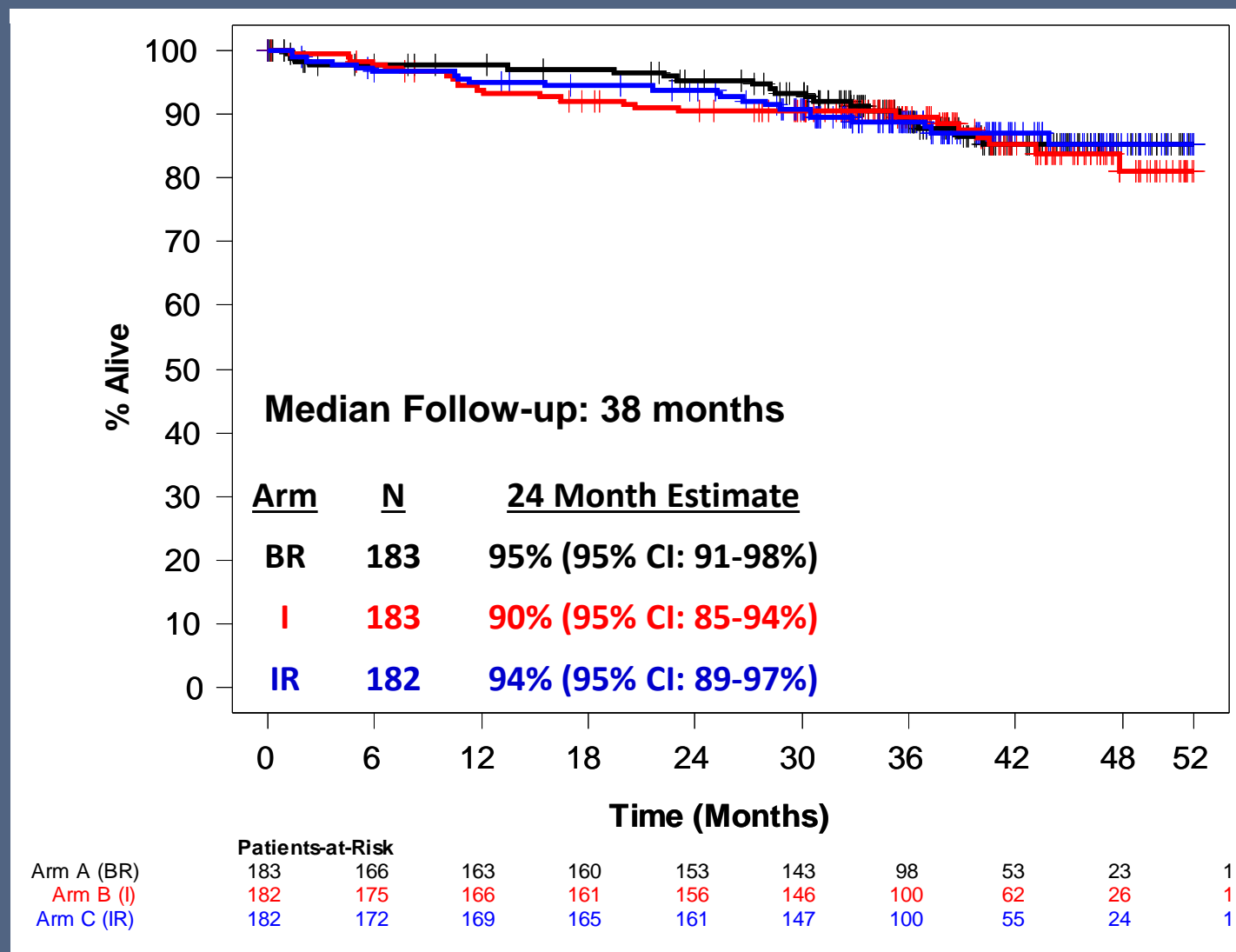
# Alliance North American Intergroup Study A041202,

Woyach et al., 2018 (ASH and NEJM)



# Overall Survival

## Intention-to-Treat Patient Population





# GCLLSG trial

(time of recruitment)

Unfit or older patients

CLL5

(1999-2004)

CLB

F

CLL11

(2010-2012)

CLB

CLB+R

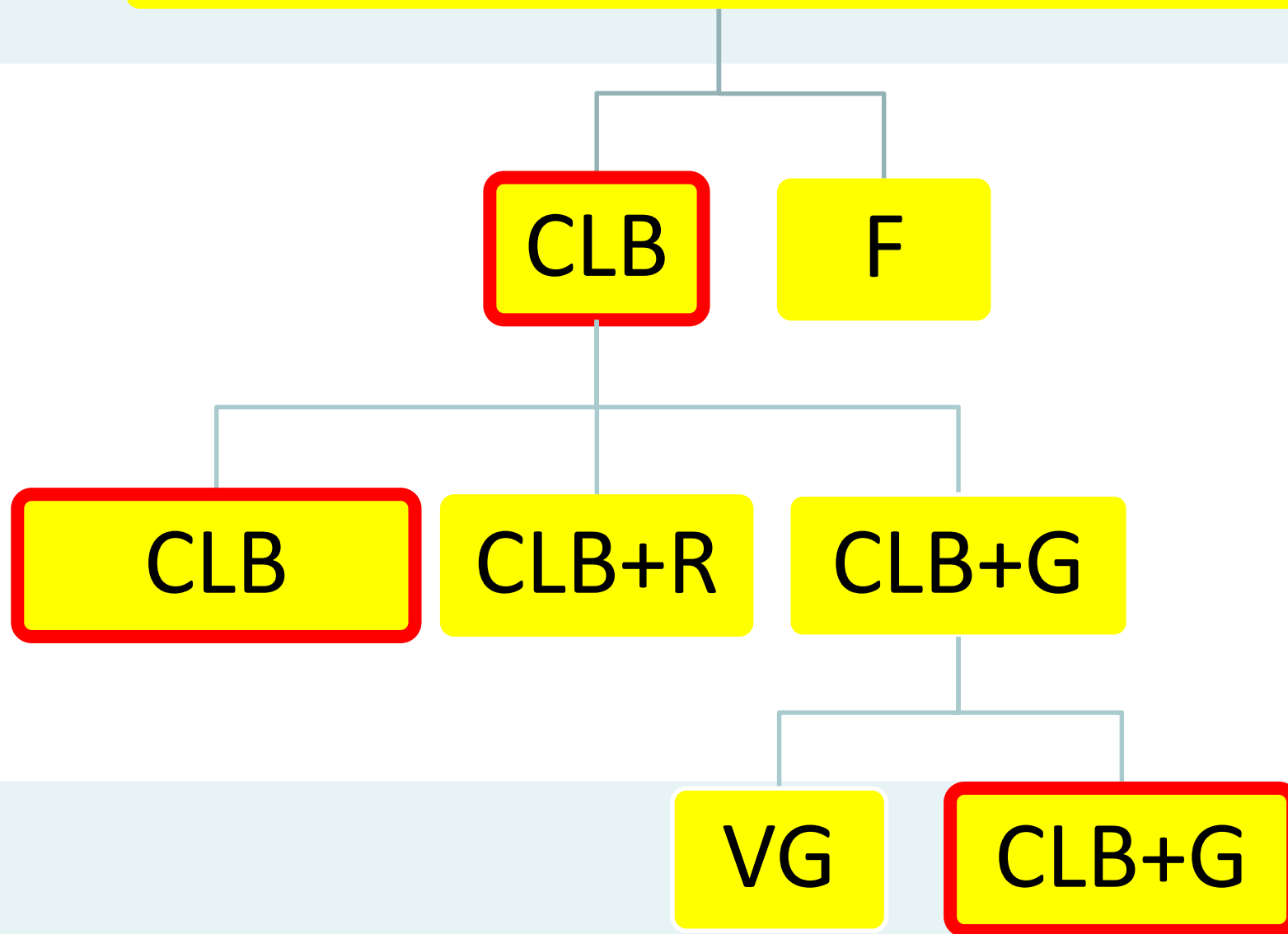
CLB+G

CLL14

(2016-2018)

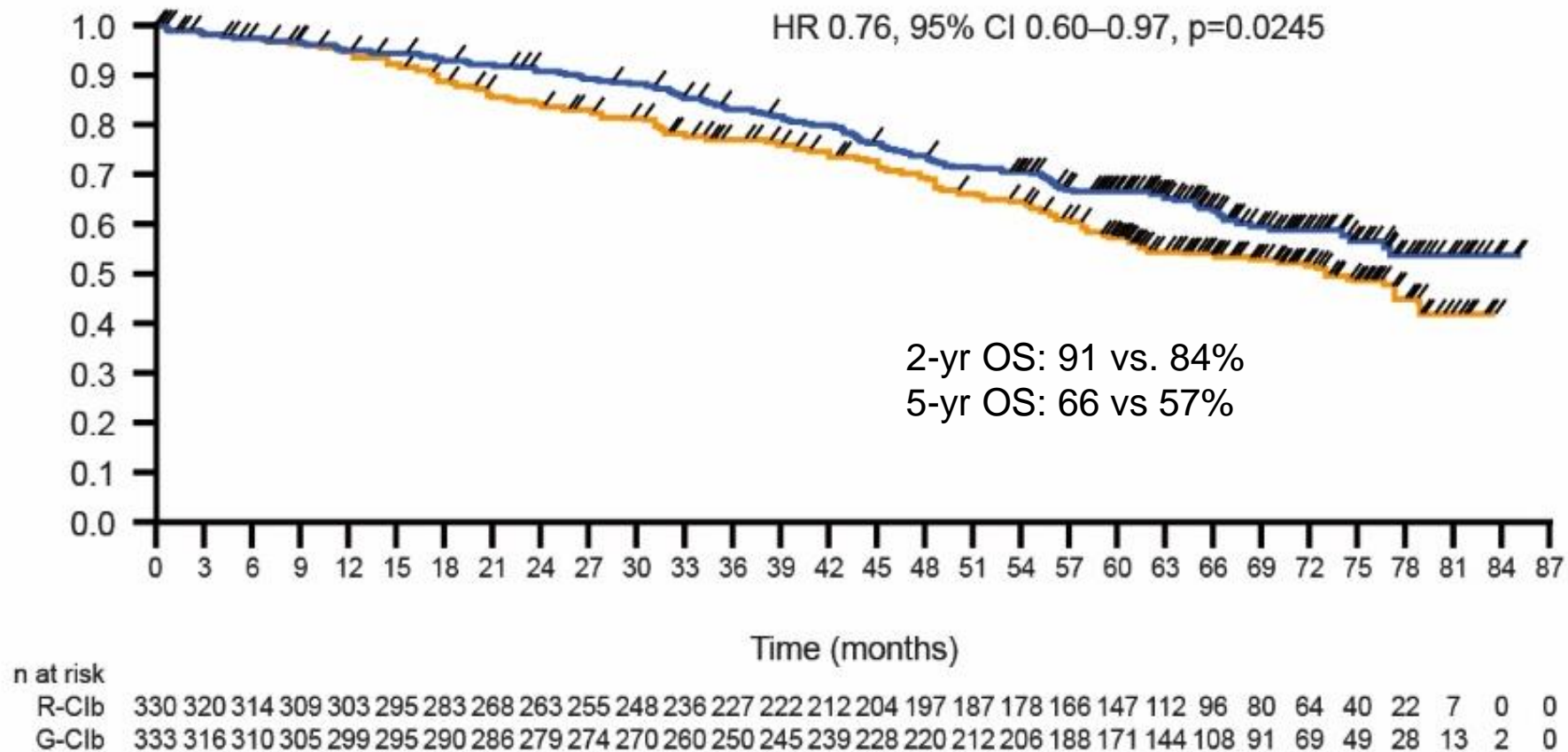
VG

CLB+G

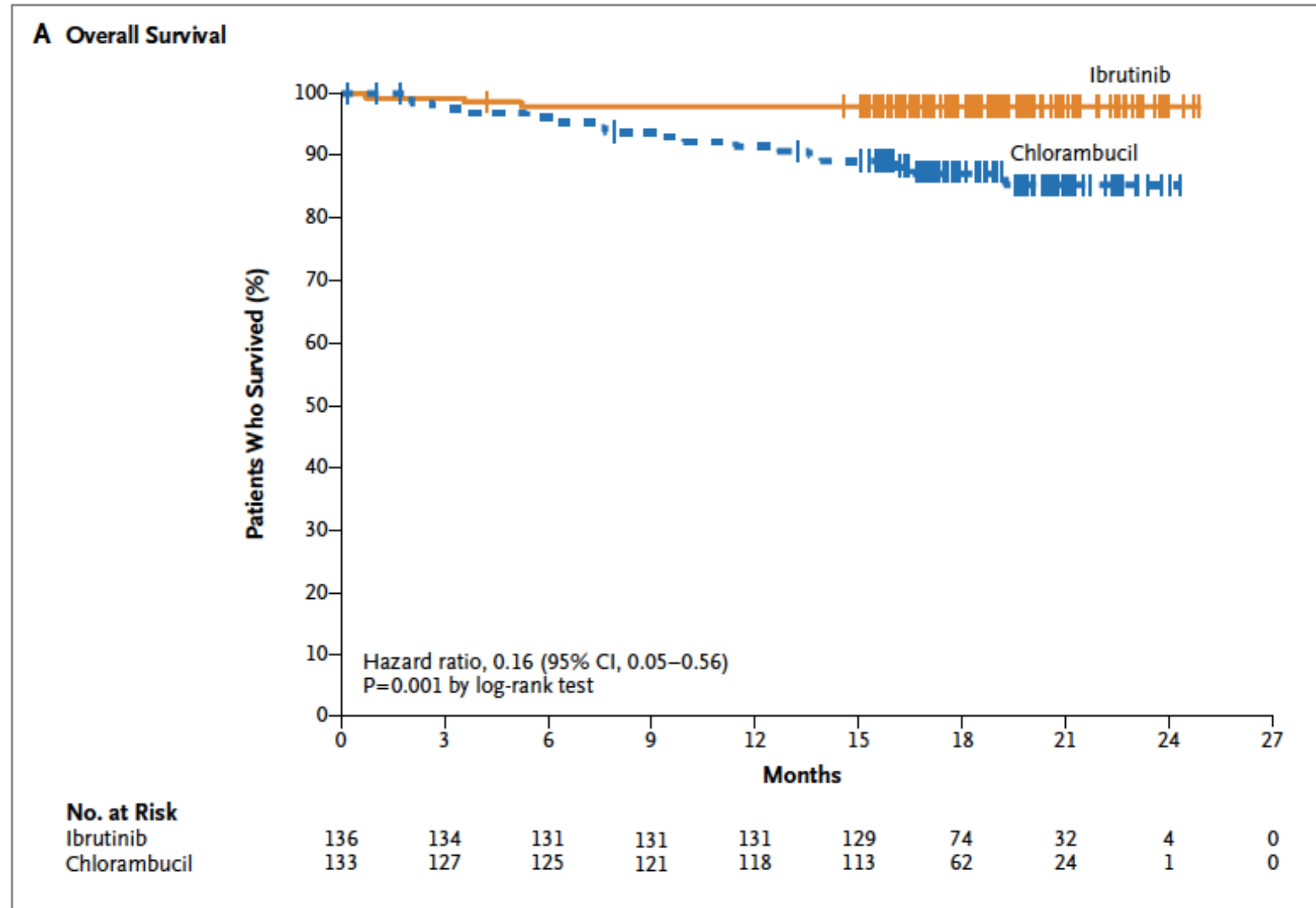


# CLL11: Obinutuzumab improves overall survival compared with rituximab

(Goede et al., update 2018)



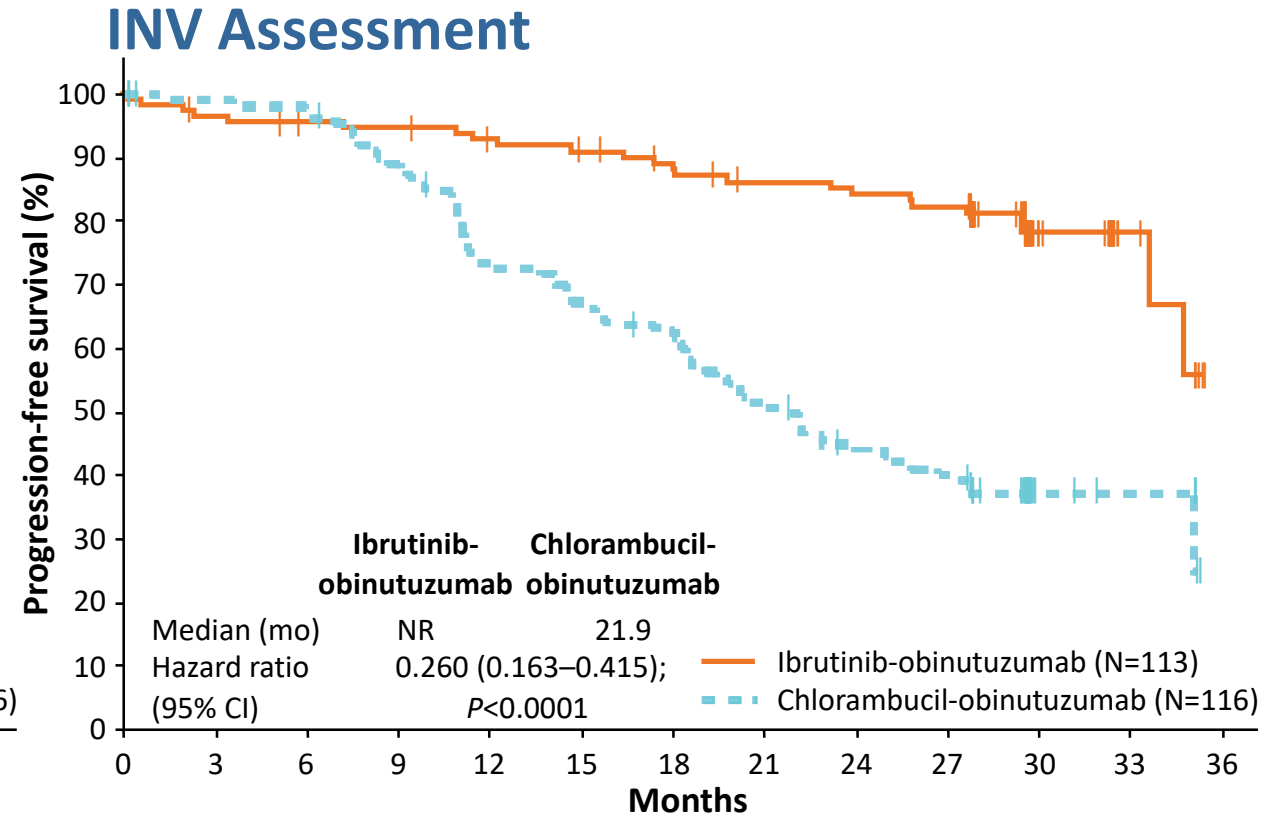
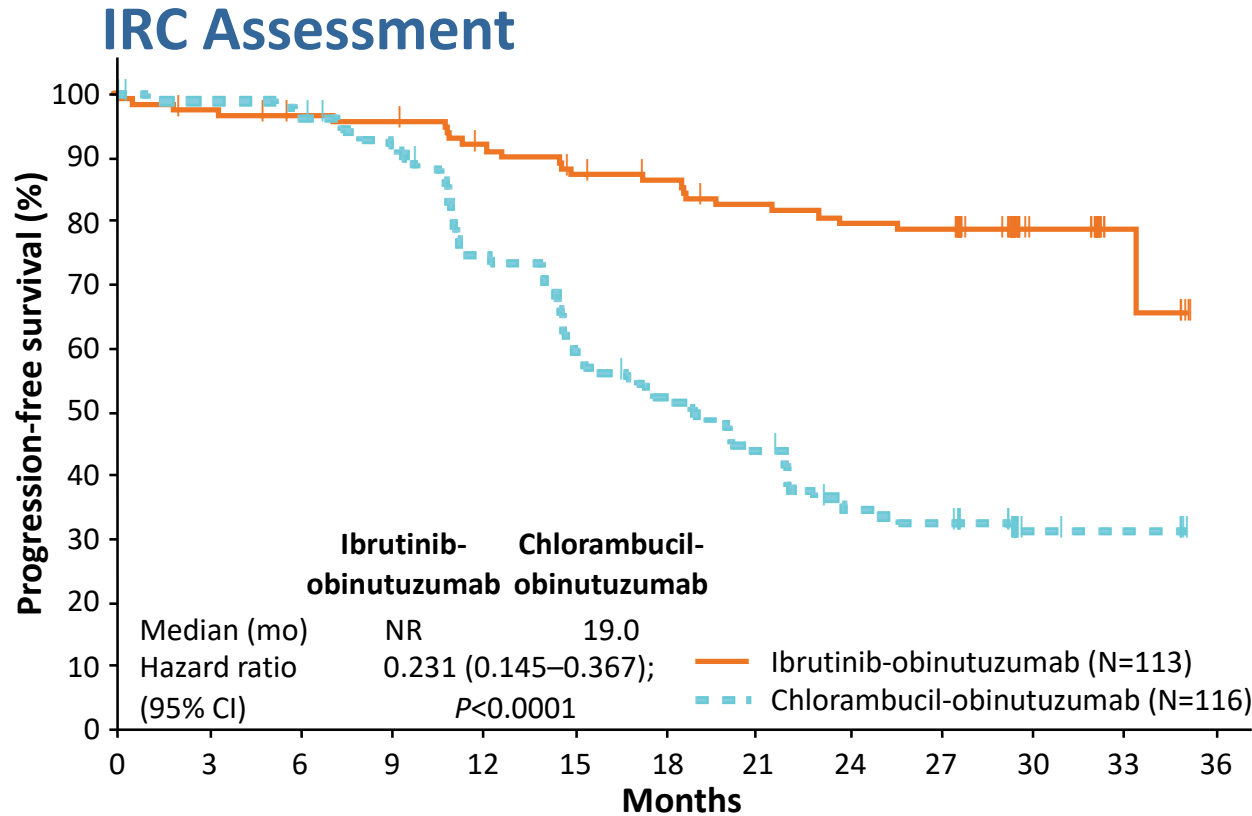
# Resonate Trial, Overall Survival





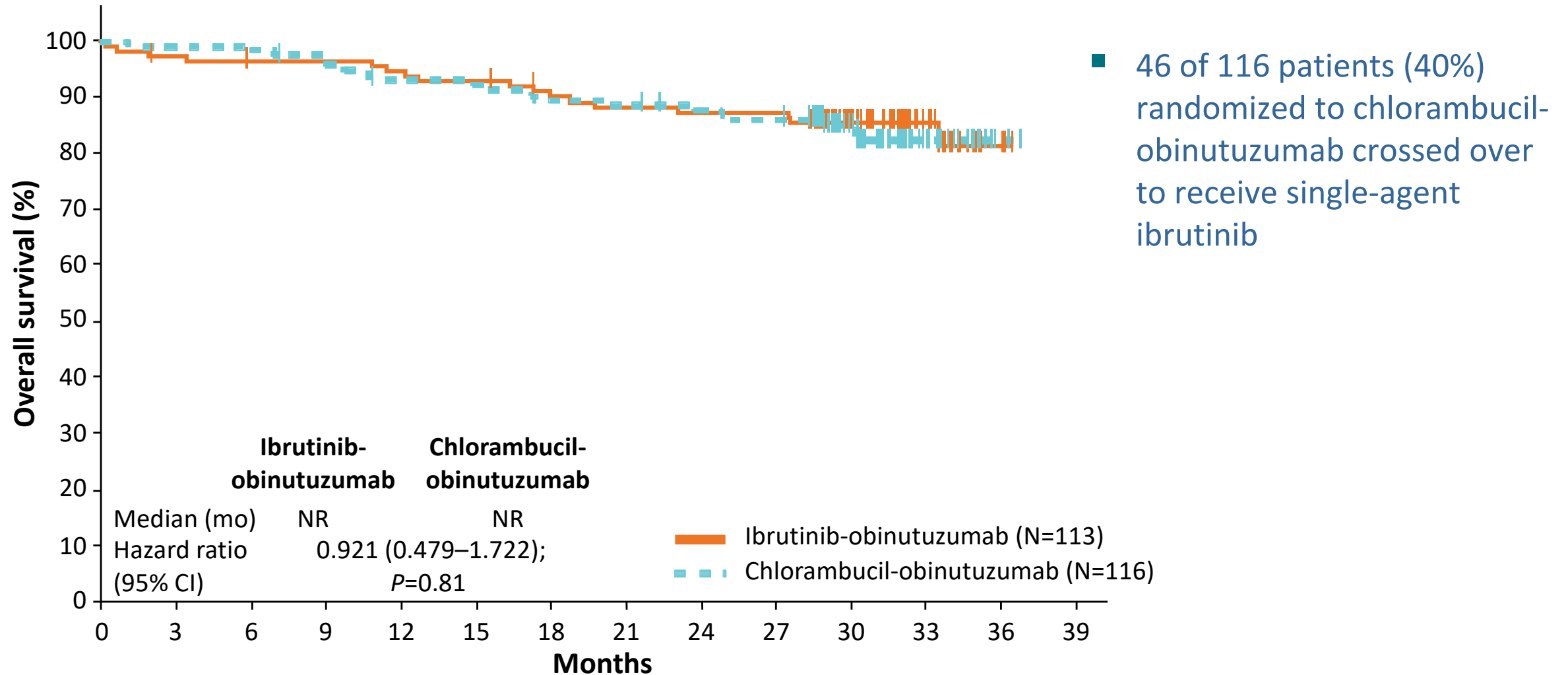
# iLLUMINATE (PCYC-1130)

## Superior Progression-Free Survival with Ibrutinib-Obinutuzumab



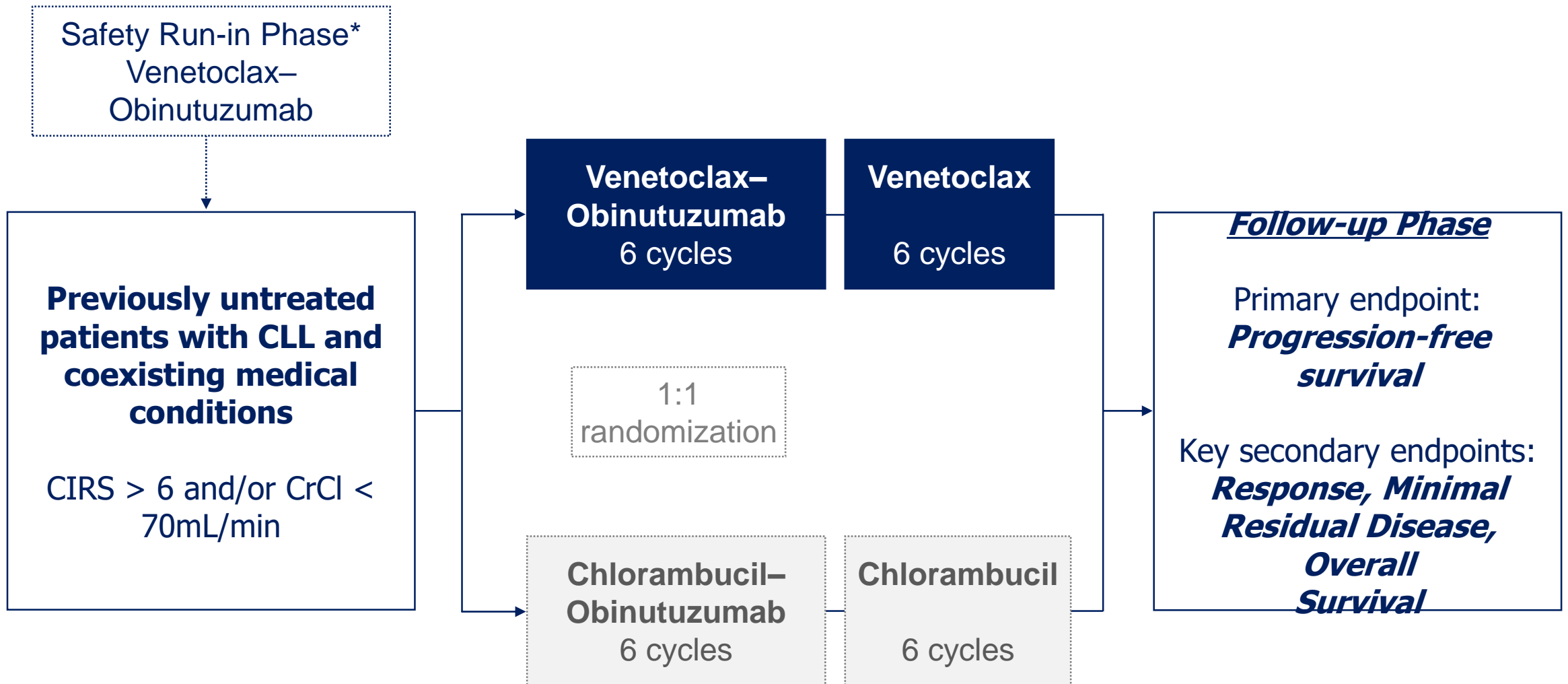
- Median follow-up, 31.3 months (range, 0.2–36.9)
- Estimated PFS at 30 months: 79% with ibrutinib-obinutuzumab vs. 31% with chlorambucil-obinutuzumab
- Even after excluding patients with del(17p): 74% reduction in risk of progression or death with ibrutinib-obinutuzumab

# Overall Survival with Median 31 Months of Follow-Up



# CLL14 trial: Design

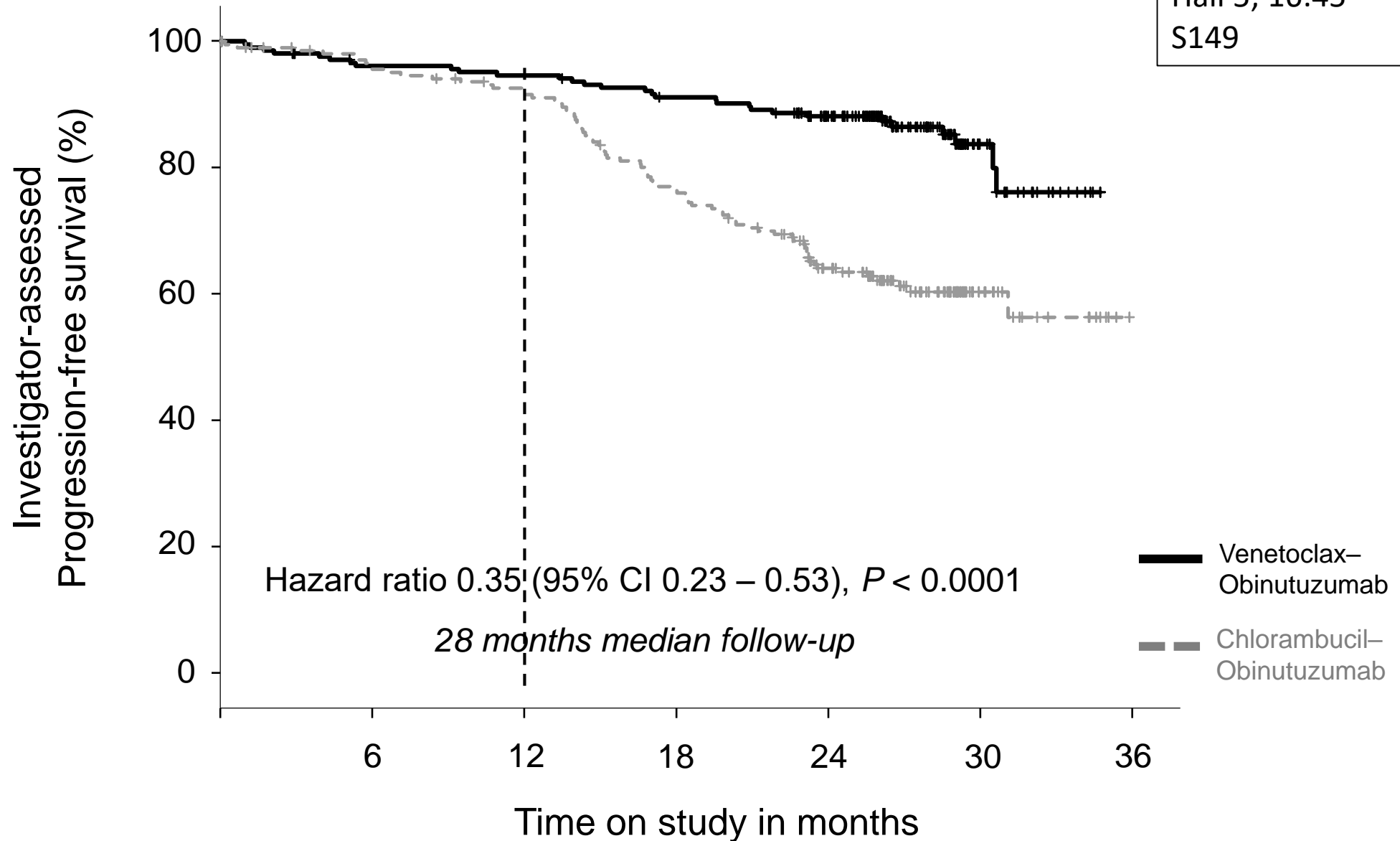
*Fischer et al., N Engl J Med 2019; 380:2225-2236*



\* Fischer K et al. Venetoclax and Obinutuzumab in chronic lymphocytic leukemia, Blood 11 May 2017

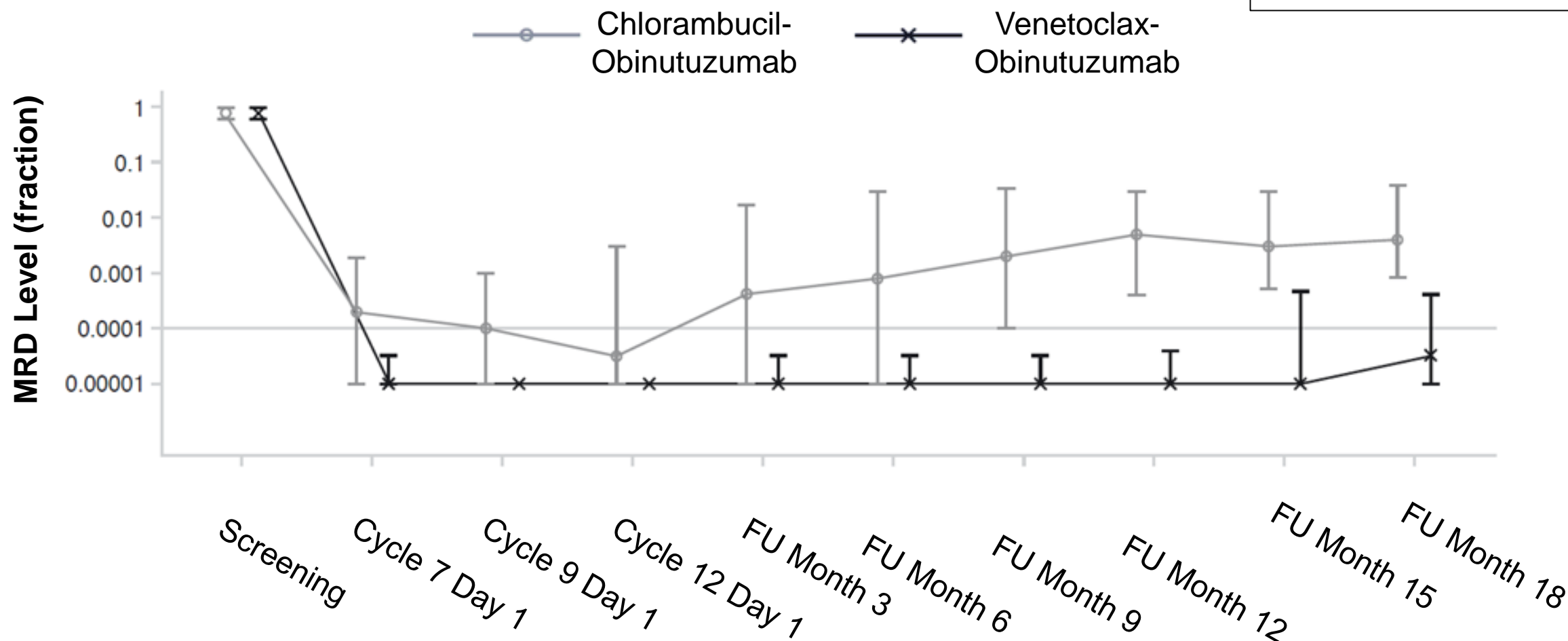
# Progression-free survival

Fischer et al.  
Presidential Symposium  
Hall 5; 16:45  
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# MRD levels Over time

Fischer et al.  
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By ASO-PCR in peripheral blood

# CLL first line treatment (updated June 2019)

| Stage                                   | del(17p) or p53mut | Fitness    | IGVH       | Therapy   |
|---|--------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Binet A-B, Rai 0-II, inactive disease   | Irrelevant         | Irrelevant | Irrelevant | None  |
| Active disease or Binet C or Rai III-IV | Yes                | Irrelevant | Irrelevant | Ibrutinib or <b>Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab</b> or Idelalisib + Rituximab (if contraindications for ibrutinib)* |
|   | No                 | Go go      | M          | FCR (BR above 65 years) or ibrutinib*   |
|   |                    |            | U          | Ibrutinib or FCR (BR above 65 years)*   |
|   |                    | Slow go    | M          | <b>Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab</b> or Chlorambucil + Obinutuzumab or Ibrutinib*                                 |
|   |                    |            | U          | <b>Venetoclax + Obinutuzumab</b> or Ibrutinib or Chlorambucil + Obinutuzumab*                                 |

\* Consider and discuss with patient: long-term vs fixed (6-12 m) duration therapy, lack of convincing evidence of overall survival differences, specific side effects of each therapeutic option (myelosuppression, infections, secondary malignancies for CIT; cardiac toxicity, bleeding and autoimmune disease for Ibru; TLS and infections for Ven-Obi; autoimmune disease (diarrhea) and opportunistic infections for Idelalisib).





# Round table discussion



**Thank you**