## "Relapsed Refractory FL.

## What options do we have?"

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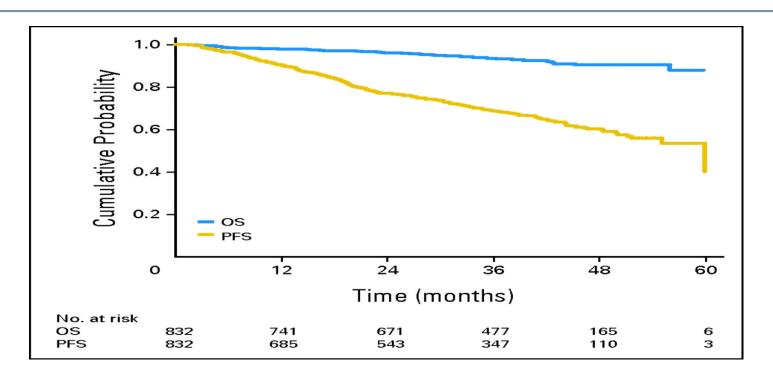
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## Follicular Lymphoma

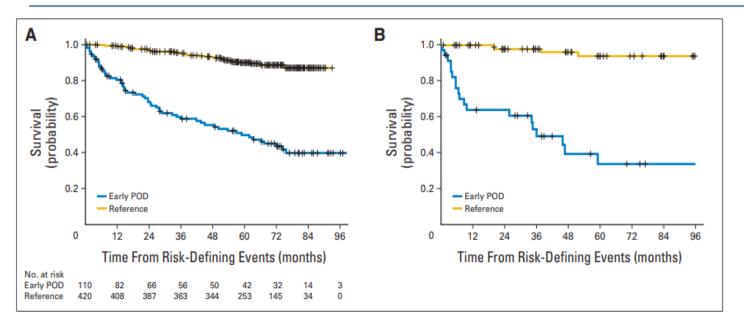


## Prognostic models to predict outcome in 1L FL.

Table I. Prognostic models in FL				
Model	Factors	Risk groups	OS	PFS
FLIPI	Age > 60 yearsStage III— IVHb < 120 g/lLDH > ULN>4 nodal sites	Low risk (0–1 factors)Intermediate risk (2 factors)High risk (3 or more factors)	5-year OS: 91%5-year OS: 78%5-year OS: 52%	_
FLIPI-2	Age > 60 yearsHb < 120 g/ lElevated β2 MGMass >6 cmBone marrow involvement	Low risk (0-1 factor)Intermediate risk (2 factors)High risk (3 or more factors)	_	Low risk: 5-year PFS: 80% Intermediate risk: 5-year PFS: 51%High risk: 5-year PFS: 19%
PRIMA-PI	β2 MG > 3 g/lBone marrow involvement	Low risk (0 factors)Intermediate risk (1 factor)High risk (2 factors)		Low risk: 5-year PFS: 69% Intermediate risk: 5-year PFS: 55%High risk: 5-year PFS: 37%
m7-FLIPI	ECOG PS > 1FLIPI high riskMutations in: FP300, CREBBP, CARD11, MEF2B, EZH2, ARID1A, FOXO1	Low riskHigh risk		Low risk: 5-year FFS: 77-2% High risk: 5-year FFS: 38-2%

### High risk FL defined as POD 24

(Progression of disease in first 24 months)



POD24= 19%

Patients with POD24 ————— 2-year and 5-year OS rates of 68% and 50%. Patients without POD24

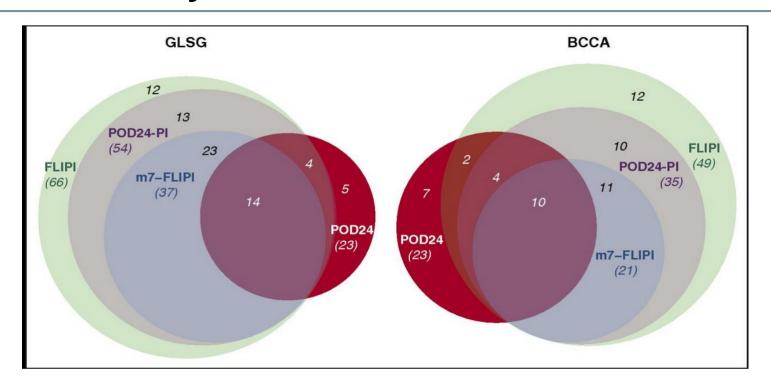
97% and 90%.

## High risk at relapse. POD 24 in 20% pts.

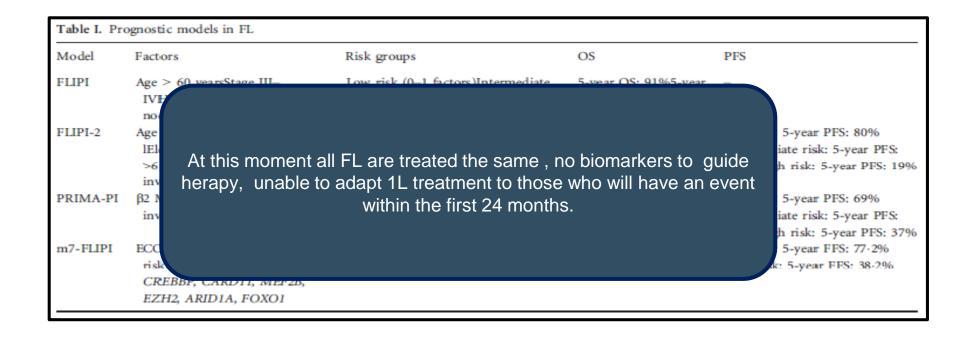
- ✓ Around 20% of patients will progress within the first 24 months.
- These patients with early events after immuno-chemotherapy represent the greatest clinical need in FL, reproducible in several datasets.

✓ This newly defined high-risk group of patients represents a distinct population warranting further exploration in precision studies of FL biology and treatment.

## Can we identify HR FL?



### Prognostic models to predict outcome in 1L FL.

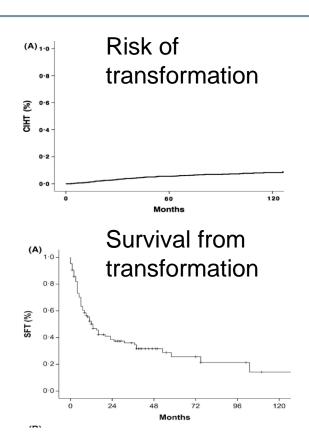


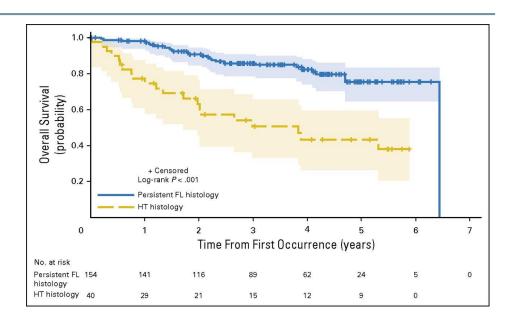
# THE most important risk factor at relapse is histologic transformation.

## Histologic transformation.

- A 10-year cumulative incidence of HT is10.3%.
- The majority of patients who die due to lymphoma have transformed disease.

# Misconception regarding POD24: Influence of histologic transformation?

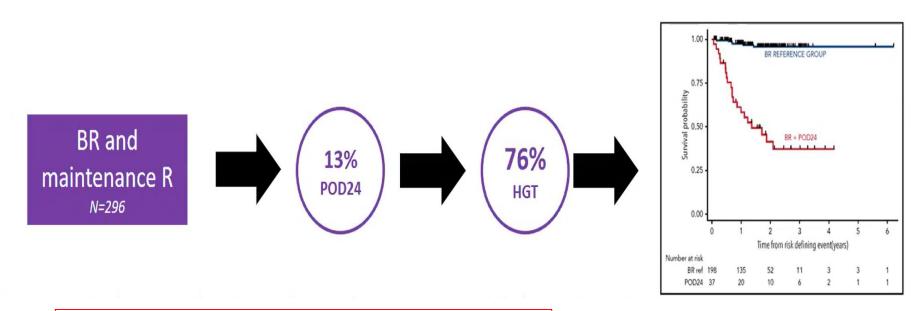




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### Histologic transformation.



HT is a frequent event in patients with POD 24

### 2L Therapy of *ALL* pts with RR FL.

- Always biopsy first!
- In ALL asymptomatic patients observation can be an option.
- In ALL pts chemoinmunotherapy can be an option.
- In ALL pts maintenance with Rituximab can be considered.
- Autologous HCT can be considered in selected POD24 patients. (absence of randomized prospective data confirming benefit of AUTO in POD24)

## 2nd line treatment in RR FL.

### NCCN Guidelines for 2L therapy in FL.



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Classic Follicular Lymphoma

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#### SUGGESTED TREATMENT REGIMENSa,b,c

#### SECOND-LINE THERAPYh

### Preferred regimens (in alphabetical order)

- Bendamustined, + obinutuzumab or rituximab (not recommended if treated with prior bendamustine)
- CHOP + obinutuzumab<sup>j</sup> or rituximab
- CVP + obinutuzumab<sup>j</sup> or rituximab
- Lenalidomide + rituximab
- Tafasitamab-cxix<sup>k</sup> + lenalidomide + rituximab (≥1 prior systemic therapy including an anti-CD20 mAb)

#### Other recommended regimens (in alphabetical order)

- · Lenalidomide (if not a candidate for anti-CD20 mAb therapy)
- Lenalidomide + obinutuzumab
- Obinutuzumab
- Rituximab

#### SECOND-LINE THERAPY FOR OLDER OR INFIRM

(if none of the therapies are expected to be tolerable in the opinion of treating physician)

#### Preferred regimens

- Rituximab (375 mg/m² weekly for 4 doses)
- Tazemetostat (irrespective of EZH2 mutation status)

### Other recommended regimen

Cyclophosphamide ± rituximab

#### SECOND-LINE EXTENDED THERAPY (optional)

#### Preferred regimens

- Rituximab maintenance 375 mg/m² one dose every 12 weeks for 2 years (category 1)
- Obinutuzumab maintenance for rituximab-refractory disease (1 g every 8 weeks for total of 12 doses)

### SECOND-LINE CONSOLIDATION THERAPY (optional)

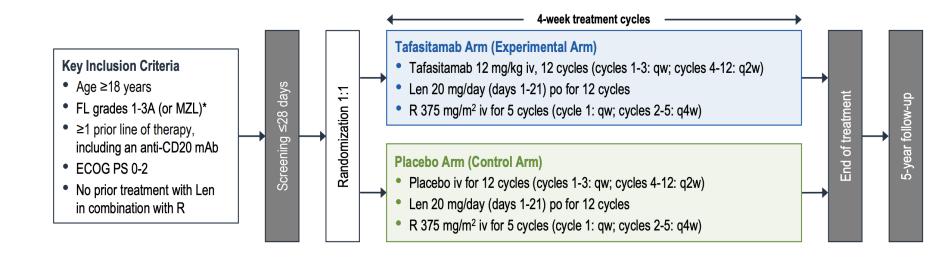
High-dose therapy with autologous stem cell rescue (HDT/ASCR)

At the present time, we have no reliable prognostic factors in which to base sequencing of treatment for RR FL.

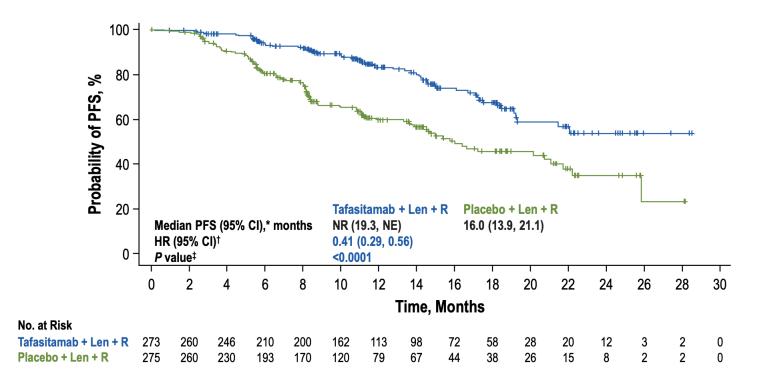
Parameters affecting these decisions include clinical presentation, patients fitness and previous therapies.

Guidelines recommend to treat patients according to clinical presentation or patient's fitness.

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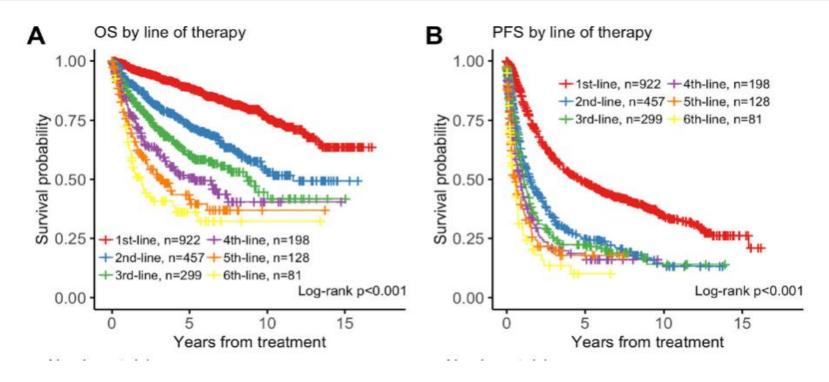


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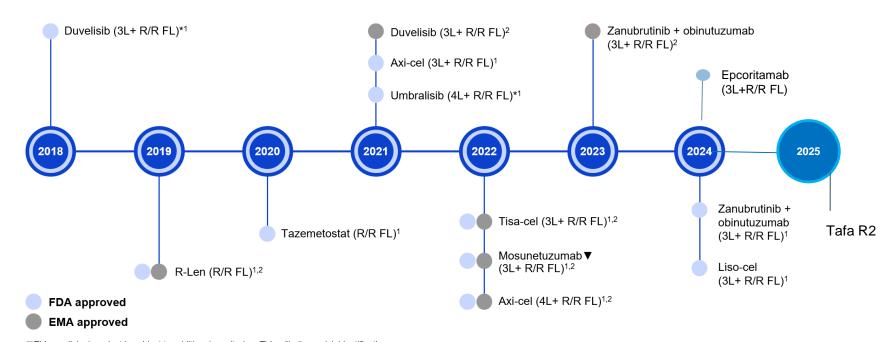


# Double refractory or 3+L. What are options are available?

### Outcome after different lines of therapy.



## Treatment options in 3+L FL



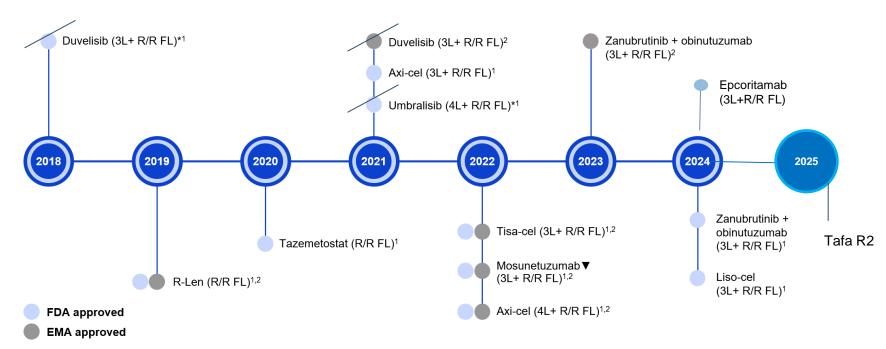
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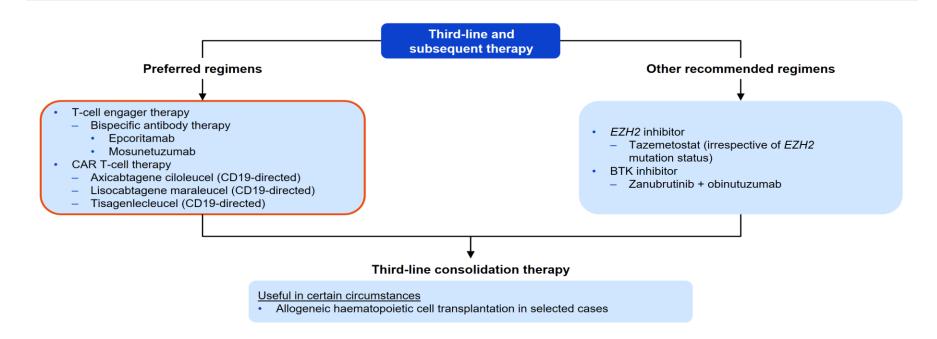
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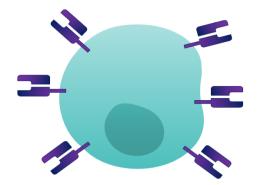
### NCCN Guidelines 2025 3+L.



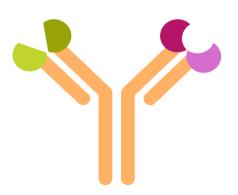
### Cellular therapy.

### Two main classes of T-cell engaging therapies<sup>1</sup>

### **CAR T-cell therapies**



### **Bispecific antibodies**

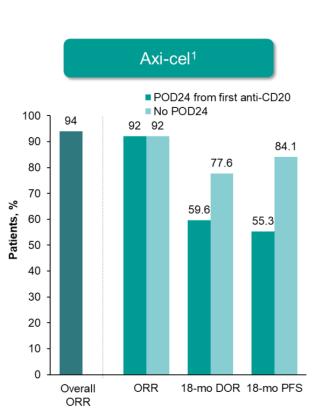


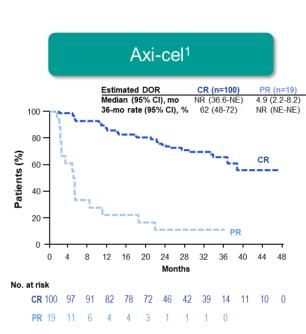
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High risk patients with not many good options at time of inclusion.

- 44-60% FLIPI 3
- Median lines of therapy 3-4
- 44-68% double refactory
- More than half POD24
- Mayority were refractory to last line of therpy





### Axi-cel<sup>1</sup>

### Phase 2 ZUMA-5

N = 127

ORR: 94%; CR: 79%

mDOR: 38.6 mo; 36-mo: 57%

mPFS: 40.2 mo; 36-mo: 54% mOS: NR; 36-mo: 76%

Median follow-up: 41.7 months



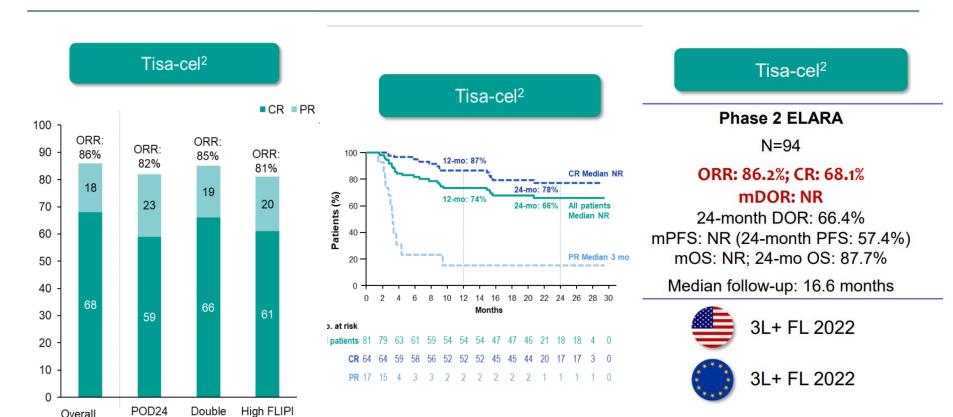
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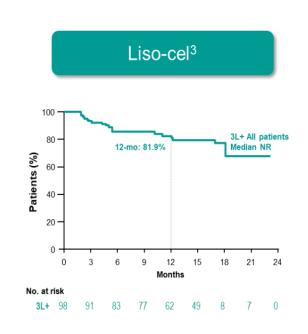
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refractory

Population









### Phase 2 TRANSCEND FL

N = 101

ORR: 97%: CR: 94%

mDOR: NR

12-month DOR: 81.9%

mPFS: NR (12-month PFS: 80.7%) mOS: NR; 12-mo OS: 92.1%

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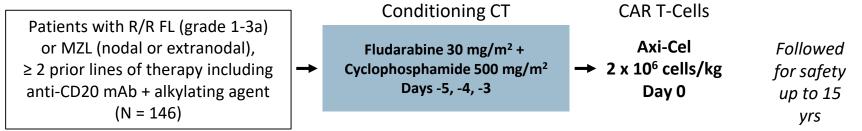
Median follow-up: 17.9 months



3L+ May 15, 2024

## Five-Year Follow-Up Analysis of ZUMA-5: Axicabtagene Ciloleucel in R/R Indolent Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

Multicenter, single-arm phase II trial

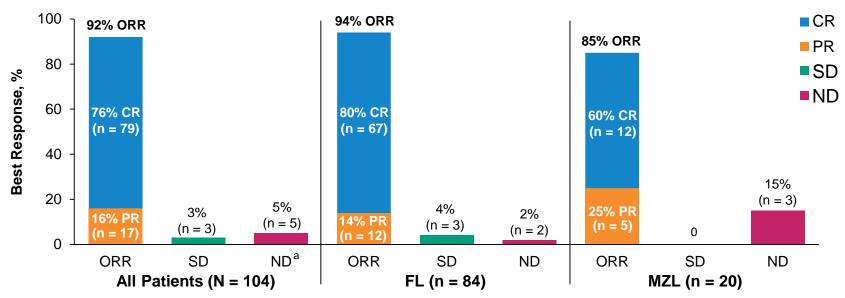


Patients with SD but no relapse > 1 yr from completion of last therapy ineligible. Single-agent anti-CD20 mAb not counted as line of therapy for eligibility. Median time to delivery of axi-cel: 17 days following leukapheresis.

Primary endpoint: ORR (IRRC-assessed per Lugano classification)

Key secondary endpoints: CR rate (IRRC-assessed), ORR (investigator-assessed), DoR, PFS, OS, AEs, CAR T-cell and cytokine levels

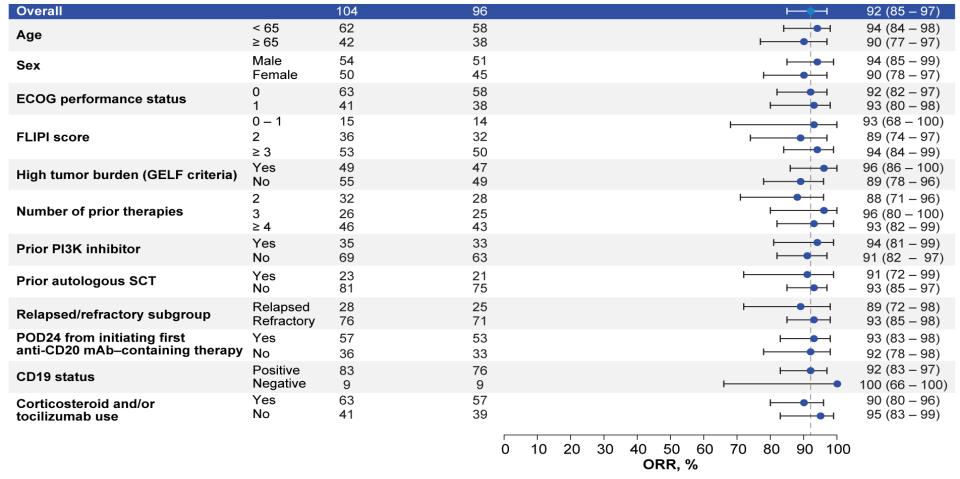
### **ZUMA-5: Efficacy (ORR and CR- Primary Endpoint)**



- The median time to first response was 1 month (range, 0.8 3.1)
- Among the 25 patients with FL who initially had a PR, 13 (52%) subsequently converted to a CR after a median of 2.2 months (range, 1.9 – 11.2)

The investigator-assessed ORR (N = 104) was 95%, with a CR rate of 77%. Concordance between investigator-assessed and IRRC-assessed ORR was 91%. <sup>a</sup> For the 5 patients reported as ND, 4 (1 FL; 3 MZL) had no disease at baseline and postbaseline per IRRC but were considered with disease by the investigator; 1 patient with FL died before the first disease assessment. CR, complete response; FL, follicular lymphoma; IRRC, Independent Radiology Review Committee; MZL, marginal zone lymphoma; ND, undefined/not done; ORR, overall response rate; PR, partial response;

SD, stable disease.

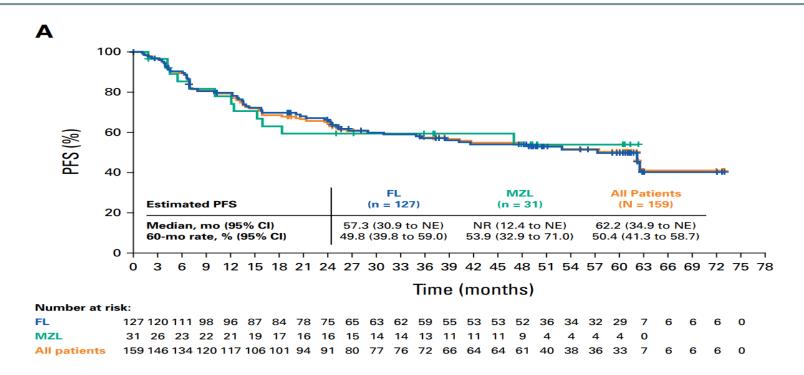


**Evaluable Patients Responding Patients** 

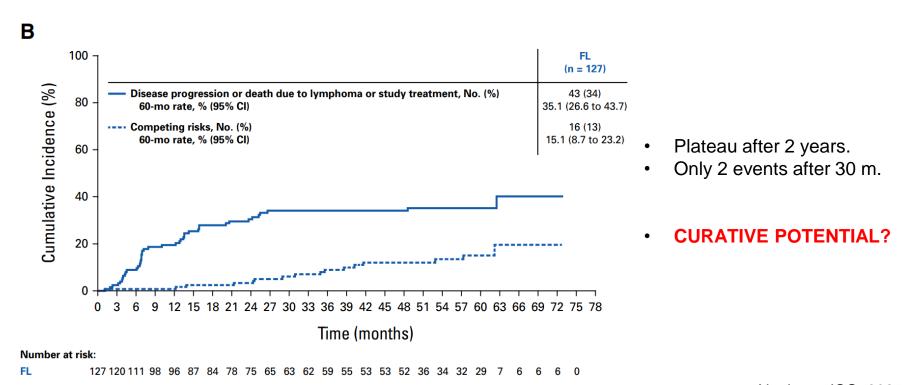
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ORR (95% CI)

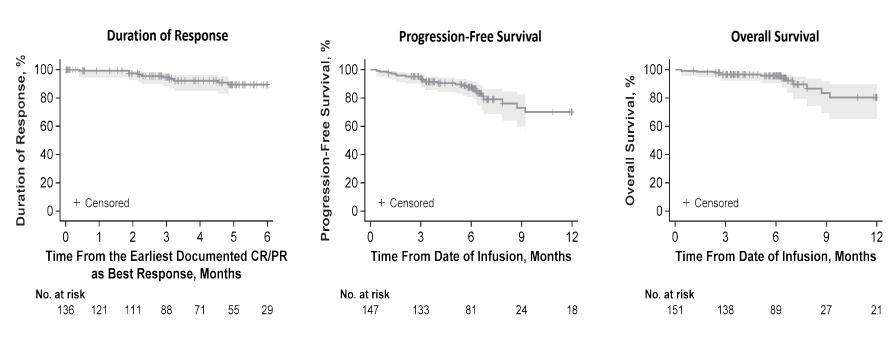
## PFS after 5 years follow up



# Cumulative incidence of DP or death due to lymphoma vs competing risk

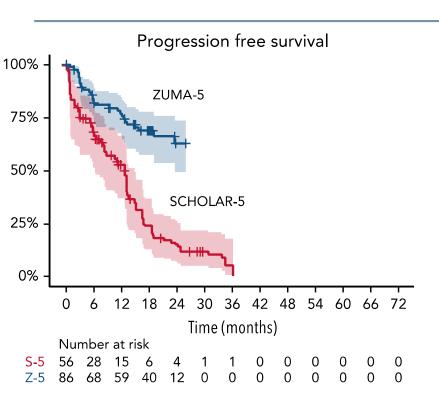


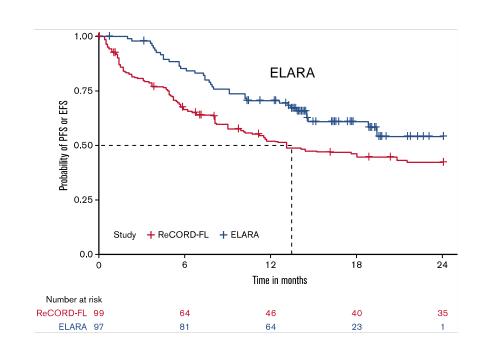
## Real-Life Experience Axi-Cel: CIBMTR Analysis



Jacobson C, et al. EHA;2023. Abstract: S223.

### CAR-T compared with matched external cohort in R/R FL





# Study of Axicabtagene Ciloleucel Versus Standard of Care Therapy in Participants With Relapsed/Refractory Follicular Lymphoma (ZUMA-22)



### **Inclusion Criteria**

- Histologically-confirmed follicular lymphoma (FL) (Grade 1, 2, or 3a)
- Relapsed/refractory (R/r) disease after first-line chemoimmunotherapy and high-risk disease with relapse or progression within 24 months of the initial course of
- chemoimmunotherapy (ie, POD24), Or r/r disease after  $\geq 2$  prior systemic lines of therapy
- Clinical indication for treatment.
- At least 1 measurable lesion per the Lugano Classification {Cheson 2014}
- Adequate renal, hepatic, pulmonary, and cardiac function

# R/R FL Subjects defined as: 1) POD24\* after initiation of 1st line of therapy (2L POD24) OR

2) All-comers after ≥ 2 prior lines of therapy (3L+ All-comers including POD24)

1:1 Randomization n = Approximately 230, ~75 sites globally Primary Endpoint: PFS

#### **Stratification:**

- 1 vs ≥ 2 prior lines
- POD24 vs Non-POD24
- US vs non-US site

Optional corticosteroid bridging





**Axi-cel** 

Investigator Choice: R-CHOP, BR, or R2

# Safety and efficacy of mosunetuzumab, a bispecific antibody, in patients with relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma: a single-arm, multicentre, phase 2 study



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#### Summary

Background Mosunetuzumab is a CD20×CD3 T-cell-engaging bispecific monoclonal antibody that redirects T cells to Lancet Oncol 2022; 23: 1055-65

Articles

# Epcoritamab monotherapy in patients with relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma (EPCORE NHL-1): a phase 2 cohort of a single-arm, multicentre study



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#### Summary

Background A standard of care and optimal duration of therapy have not been established for patients with multiply relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma. The aim of this study was to evaluate epcoritamab, a novel CD3×CD20 bispecific antibody, in the third-line and later setting of follicular lymphoma.

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# Mosunetuzumab demonstrates durable responses in patients with relapsed and/or refractory follicular lymphoma who have received ≥2 prior therapies: updated analysis of a pivotal Phase II study

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### **Baseline characteristics**

	Patients with CR at EOT n=49	Patients without CR at EOT n=41	All patients N=90
Median age, years (range)	63 (29–90)	59 (35–83)	60 (29–90)
Female, %	47	29	39
ECOG PS, %			
0	61	56	59
1	39	44	41
Ann Arbor stage, %			
1/11	18	29	23
III/IV	82	71	77
Median lines of prior therapy, n (range)	3 (2–10)	3 (2–7)	3 (2–10)
Refractory to last prior therapy, %	55	85	69
Refractory to prior anti-CD20 therapy, %	71	88	79
Double refractory*, %	41	68	53
POD24, %	53	51	52
Prior autologous stem cell transplant, %	22	20	21
Prior bendamustine, %	59	73	66

Data cut-off date: July 8, 2022.

POD24, proportion of patients with progression of disease within 24 months after start of first-line therapy.

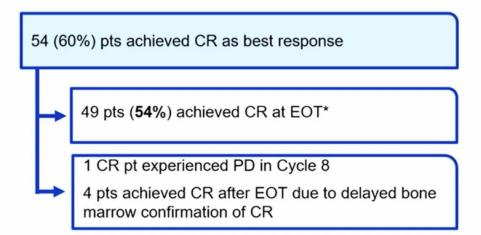
<sup>\*</sup>Double refractory to prior anti-CD20 and alkylator therapy.

# Longer follow-up data continue to demonstrate clinically meaningful outcomes

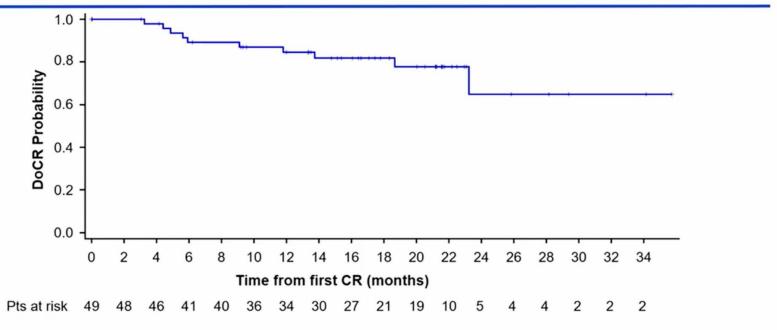
#### Pivotal Phase II study: mosunetuzumab showed high rates of durable responses

Efficacy endpoint (best response)	IRF, N (%)		
CR1	54 (60%)		
ORR <sup>1</sup>	72 <b>(80%)</b>		
24-month DoCR rate: 63%²			

# Updated analysis: high percentage of pts achieving CR at EOT\*



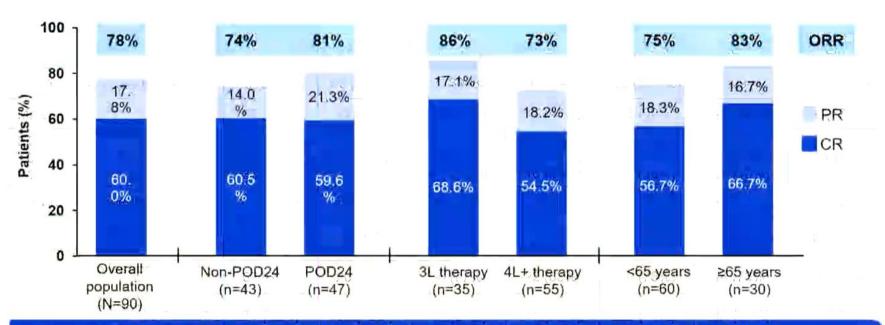
# Durable responses were observed in patients who achieved a CR at EOT



	n=49	
Median, months (95% CI)	<b>NE</b> (23.2–NE)	
24-month DoCR, % (95% CI)	<b>65</b> (39.0–90.5)	

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# Efficacy summary: response rates

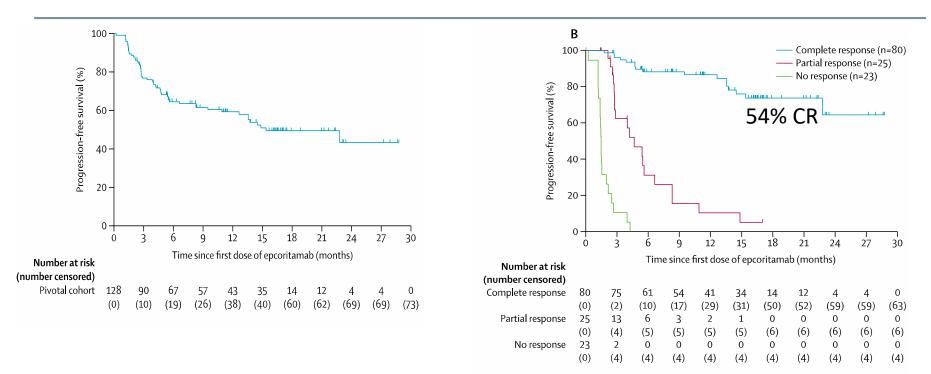


CR rates across high-risk subgroups were consistent with the overall population; higher CR rates were observed in patients who received mosunetuzumab in 3L than in the other subgroups

### Conclusions

- Results after >3 years of follow-up demonstrate strong efficacy outcomes with fixed-duration mosunetuzumab treatment across high-risk subgroups in R/R FL
  - Durable remissions and PFS benefit in patients with POD24
  - Data suggest better DOCR and PFS outcomes with mosunetuzumab in earlier versus later lines of treatment
- The manageable safety profile was consistent across all subgroups, including patients aged ≥65 years
- Most infections occurred early; recovery of B cells and immunoglobulins was observed after completion of treatment
- Mosunetuzumab offers favorable benefit/risk to patients with R/R FL with a broad range of baseline and disease characteristics as an outpatient, fixed-duration therapy

### **EPCORITAMAB 3+L in RR FL**



Grade 1-2 CRS in 65%, grade III in 2% in pivotal, and 49% in optimization cohort

# FDA approvals for Bispecifics in FL

- On December 22, 2022, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) granted accelerated approval to mosunetuzumab-axgb (Lunsumio, Genentech, Inc.), a bispecific CD20-directed CD3 T-cell engager for adult patients with <u>relapsed or</u> <u>refractory follicular lymphoma (FL) after two or more lines of systemic therapy.</u>
- The target action date for the FDA decision is March 31, 2024. The FDA has granted odronextamab Orphan Drug Designation and <u>Fast Track Designation</u> for FL and DLBCL.
- On June 26, 2024, the Food and Drug Administration granted accelerated approval to epcoritamab-bysp (Epkinly, Genmab US, Inc.), a bispecific CD20directed CD3 T-cell engager, for adult patients with <u>relapsed or refractory</u> follicular lymphoma (FL) after two or more lines of systemic therapy.

. Autologous CAR-T offers high and durable CR rates and is a **one-time potentially curative** option for selected 3L+ patients.

. Bispecific CD20×CD3 antibodies are now **approved**, **off-the-shelf options** with deep responses and durable remissions in heavily pretreated FL.

. Key unanswered questions: optimal sequencing, outpatient monitoring, access, and long-term immunosuppression/infection risk.

# What other chemo free options available?

- Zanubrutinib + ObinutuzumabTafa-Lena-Ritu en 2L

### Zanubrutinib-Obinutuzumab. Rosewood study

#### Phase 2

Study Identifier: BGB-3111-212,

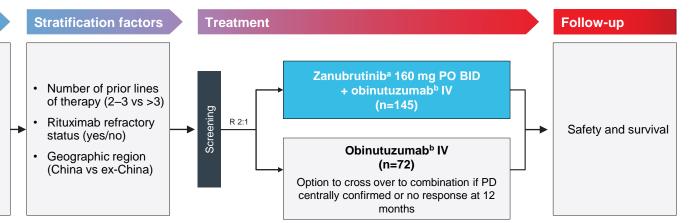
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Primary Endpoint: ORR by ICR per Lugano Classification<sup>3</sup>

Key Secondary Endpoints: ORR by investigator, DOR and PFS by ICR, OS, CR and CMR rate

#### Key eligibility criteria

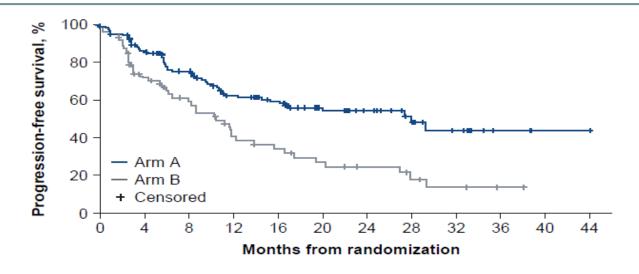
- R/R FL (received ≥2 prior treatments)
- Must have received prior anti-CD20 antibody and an alkylator
- Grade 1, 2, or 3a FL
- · Measurable disease
- ECOG PS 0-2
- · Adequate organ functions
- · No prior BTK inhibitor



# **Eficacy**

Endpoint	Zanubrutinib + Obinutuzumab n = 145	Obinutuzumab n = 72	HR (95% CI)	2-sided P value
ORR by ICR, % (95% CI)	69 (61 to 76)	46 (34 to 58)	_	.001
CR, n (%)	57 (39)	14 (19)	-	.004
PR, n (%)	43 (30)	19 (26)	_	_
Median DOR by ICR, months (95% CI)	NE (25.3 to NE)	14.0 (9.2 to 25.1)	-	_
18-month rate, %	69 (58 to 78)	42 (23 to 60)	_	_
Median DO CR by ICR, months (95% CI)	NE (26.5 to NE)	26.5 (2.7 to NE)	_	_
18-month rate, % (95% CI)	87 (74 to 94)	51 (21 to 75)	_	_
Median PFS by ICR, months (95% CI)	28.0 (16.1 to NE)	10.4 (6.5 to 13.8)	0.50 (0.33 to 0.75)	< .001
Median TTNT, months	NE (33.4 to NE)	12.2 (8.5 to 17.3)	0.34 (0.22 to 0.52)	< .001
Median OS, months (95% CI)	NE (NE to NE)	34.6 (29.3 to NE)	0.62 (0.35 to 1.07)	.085
24-month rate, % (95% CI)	77 (68 to 84)	71 (58 to 81)	_	_

### PFS with Zanu-Obinu

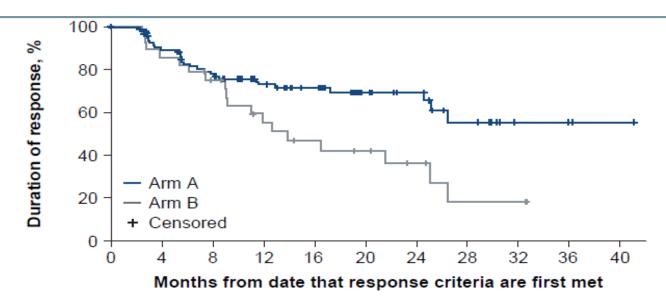


#### No. of patients at risk

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### **Median duration of CR**



#### No. of patients at risk

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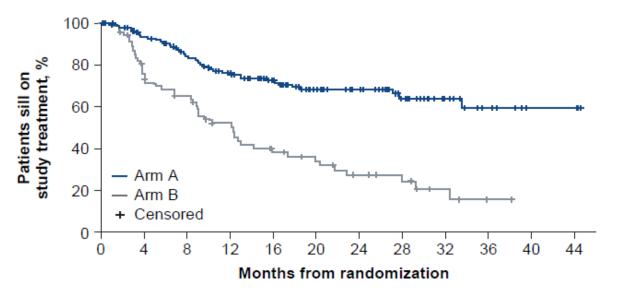
Median DO CR by ICR, months (95% CI)

NE (26.5 to NE)

26.5 (2.7 to NE)

# Time to Next Antilymphoma Treatment

#### **ROSEWOOD – Updated Analysis**



- Time to next antilymphoma treatment was not estimable with zanubrutinib plus obinutuzumab versus 12.2 months with obinutuzumab
- For patients who did not crossover, median TTNT with obinutuzumab was 32.4 months (95% CI: 21.7, NE)
- After crossover, median TTNT was 18.2 months (95% CI: 10.7, NE)

#### No. of patients at risk

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Arm B 72 65 49 44 41 32 30 24 20 18 16 13 11 9 8 5 4 2 1 1 0

# **Near future**

-Combination of successful treatments.

Bispecifics + Lena

CART + combinations.

-New CART, new Bispecifics.

# Fixed-Duration Epcoritamab Plus R<sup>2</sup> Drives Favorable Outcomes in Relapsed or Refractory Follicular Lymphoma

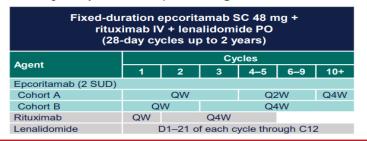
#### **Context of Research**

- Although R<sup>2</sup> is commonly used in R/R FL treatment, most patients experience relapse after R<sup>2</sup>, and novel, chemotherapy-free treatments that lead to deep and durable responses, prolong time off treatment, and have manageable safety are needed
- Epcoritamab, a CD3xCD20 bispecific antibody, is approved as monotherapy for treatment of 3L+ FL and 3L+ DLBCL
- EPCORE NHL-2 arm 2 evaluated efficacy and safety of epcoritamab SC + R<sup>2</sup> in patients with 2L+ R/R FL

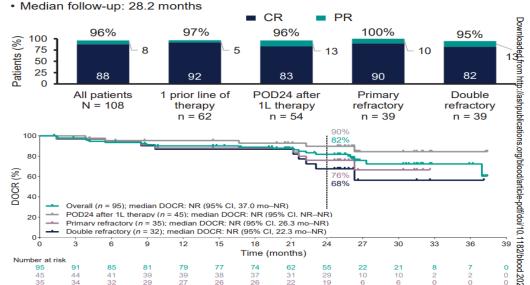
#### **Patients and Methods**

**Key Inclusion Criteria:** R/R CD20\* FL (grade 1–3A; stage II–IV) with ≥1 prior systemic treatment, including an anti-CD20 antibody

Primary Endpoint: ORR per investigator assessment







• The most common TEAEs were neutropenia (65%), COVID-19 (59%), and CRS (51%); CRS events were primarily low grade (49% grade 1–2, 2% grade 3), and all resolved: 1 ICANS event (grade 1) occurred

Conclusions: With more than 2 years of follow-up, fixed-duration epcoritamab plus R<sup>2</sup> showed deep, durable responses with favorable outcomes in R/R FL regardless of risk features, with manageable safety and no new safety signals. These results support further investigation of this combination in the phase 3 trial EPCORE FL-1, which is evaluating fixed-duration epcoritamab (1 year) plus R<sup>2</sup>.

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## Management of RR FL in 2025

- Chemo-inmunotherapy still has a role and novel approaches give new options.
- Patients have a long OS and possible "functional cure".

# Is 2025 offering a change in long standing paradigmas in RR FL?

- New therapies (CAR-T, bispecific CD20xCD3 antibodies, and zanubrutinib + obinutuzumab) have extended progression-free intervals in relapsed FL.
- Whether POD24 retains the same negative prognostic impact in the era of these agents remains uncertain.

The wide availability of new therapeutic agents, is improving prognosis of FL, and patients, **even high risk patients** may enjoy prolonged long-term survival.

The challenge is not to choose a winner, but to select the best treatment sequence in a personalized way.

# Las cosas cambiaron ... en algunas partes del mundo

- En LATAM, los desafíos son distintos.
  - Acceso limitado a terapias celulares o biespecíficas.
  - Necesitamos fortalecer los caminos de derivación, el diseño de estudios propios, y la articulación con el sistema de salud para que mas pacientes accedan a estas oportunidades.

Estamos frente a la etapa más transformadora del tratamiento del LNH.

El progreso no será real hasta que esté disponible, secuenciado con lógica clínica, y adaptado a las realidades locales.

**MUCHAS GRACIAS.** 

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