

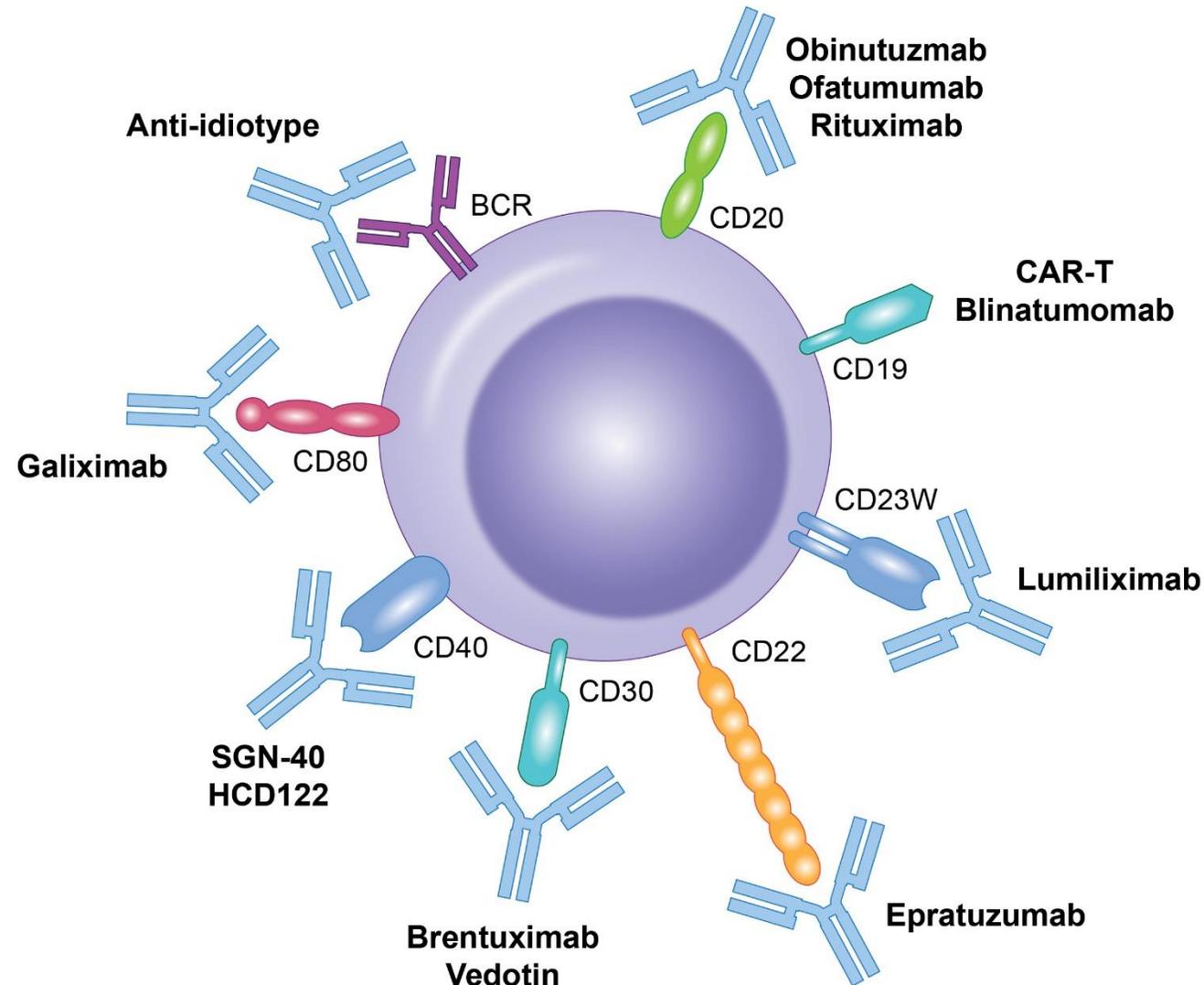
Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Hematologic Malignancies

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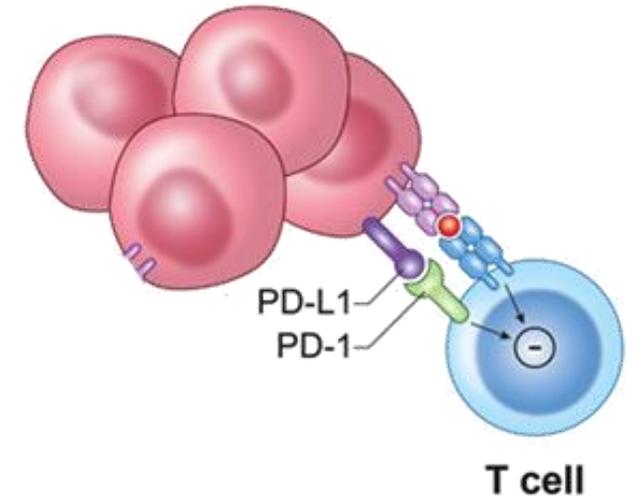
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Monoclonal Antibodies Targeting B Cell Lymphomas



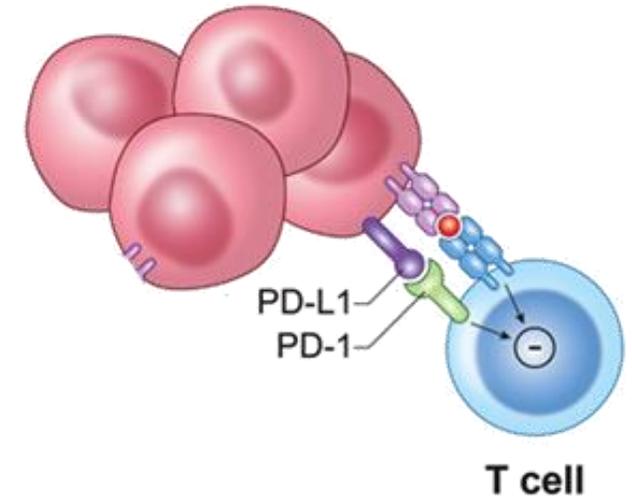
FDA-approved Checkpoint Inhibitors for Lymphomas

- Nivolumab (anti-PD-1)
 - CheckMate 205/039: Patients with cHL that has relapsed or progressed after autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplantation and post-transplantation brentuximab vedotin
- Pembrolizumab (anti-PD-1)
 - KEYNOTE-087: Adult and pediatric patients with refractory cHL, or patients whose disease has relapsed after three or more lines of therapy
 - KEYNOTE-170: Adult and pediatric patients with refractory primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma (PMBCL), or those who have relapsed after 2 or more prior lines of therapy



Patient Selection Criteria for Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapies

- Expression of the ligand for checkpoint inhibition
 - e.g. PD-L1 expression for anti-PD-1 therapy
- Relapse or progression after previous therapies
 - Nivolumab: After prior HSCT and brentuximab therapy
 - Pembrolizumab: Relapse after three prior treatments, PMBCL
- Presence of co-morbidities
 - e.g. Presence of active autoimmune disease which could be worsened



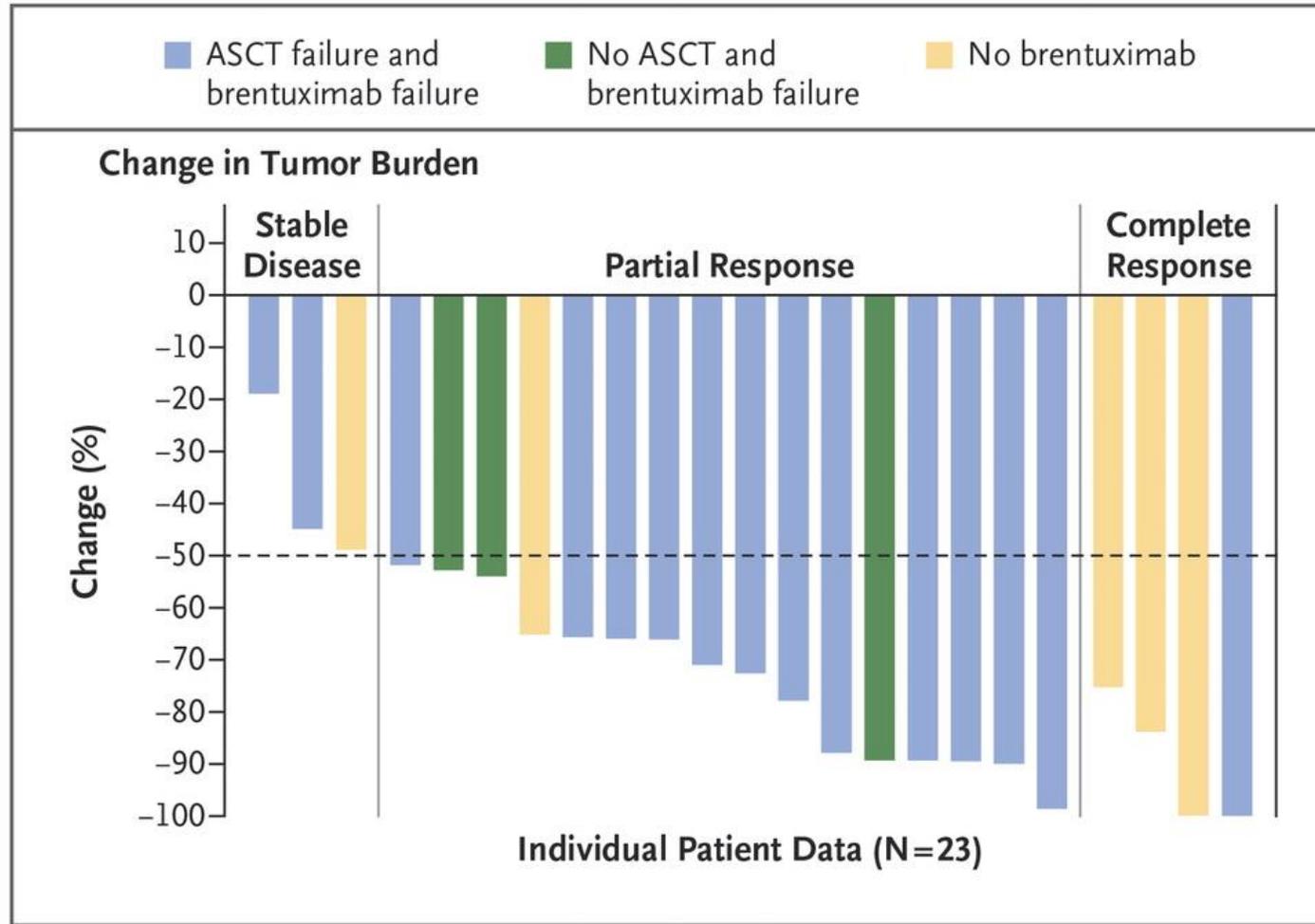
Nivolumab in Hodgkin Lymphoma

Table 3. Clinical Activity in Nivolumab-Treated Patients.*

Variable	All Patients (N=23)	Failure of Both Stem-Cell Transplantation and Brentuximab (N=15)	No Stem-Cell Transplantation and Failure of Brentuximab (N=3)	No Brentuximab Treatment (N=5)†
Best overall response — no. (%)				
Complete response	4 (17)	1 (7)	0	3 (60)
Partial response	16 (70)	12 (80)	3 (100)	1 (20)
Stable disease	3 (13)	2 (13)	0	1 (20)
Progressive disease	0	0	0	0
Objective response				
No. of patients	20	13	3	4
Percent of patients (95% CI)	87 (66–97)	87 (60–98)	100 (29–100)	80 (28–99)
Progression-free survival at 24 wk — % (95% CI)‡	86 (62–95)	85 (52–96)	NC§	80 (20–97)
Overall survival — wk				
Median	NR	NR	NR	NR
Range at data cutoff¶	21–75	21–75	32–55	30–50

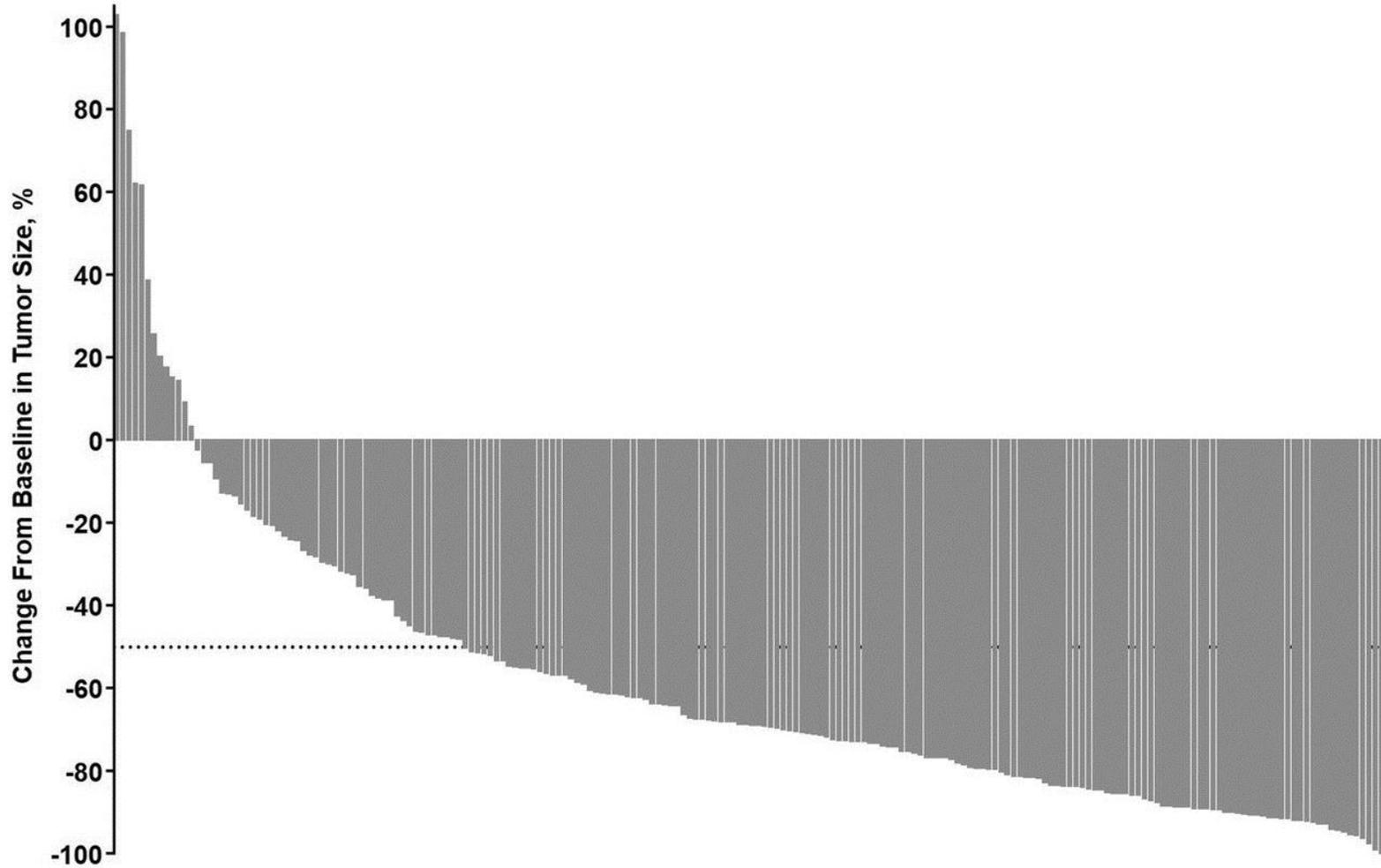
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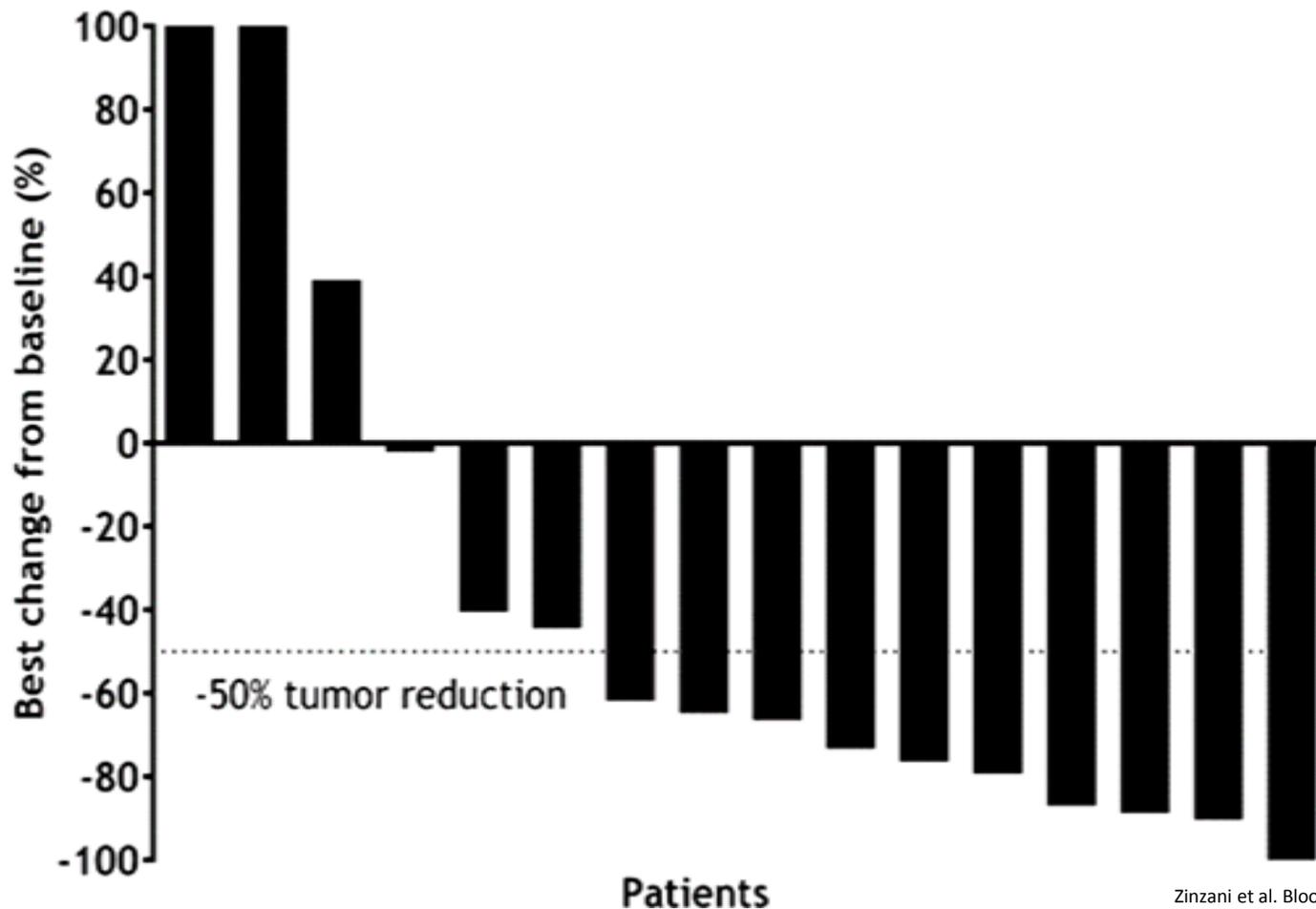
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Pembrolizumab in Hodgkin Lymphoma



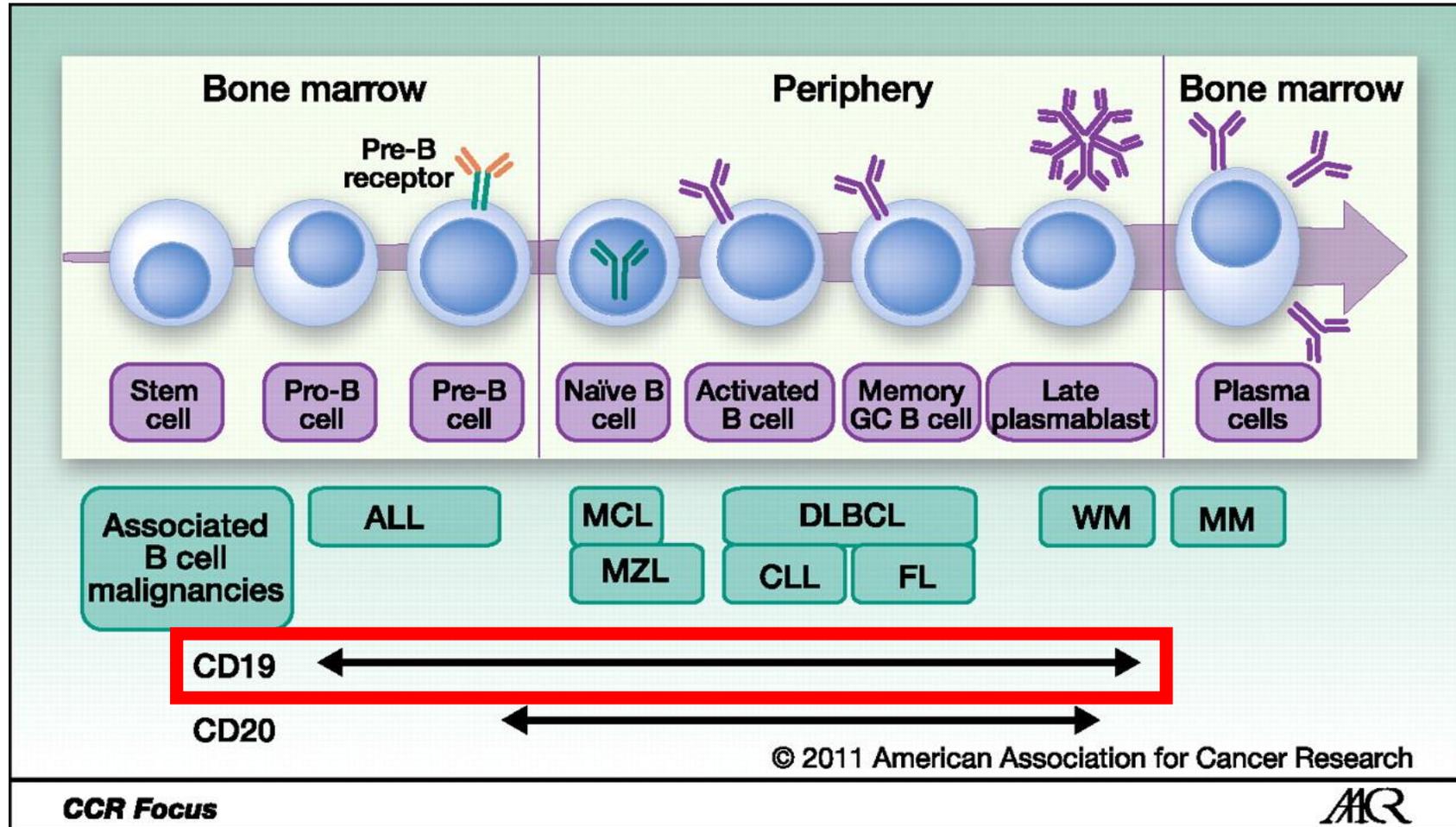
Zinzani et al. Hematological Oncology 2017

Pembrolizumab in Primary Mediastinal Large B cell Lymphoma



Zinzani et al. Blood 2016

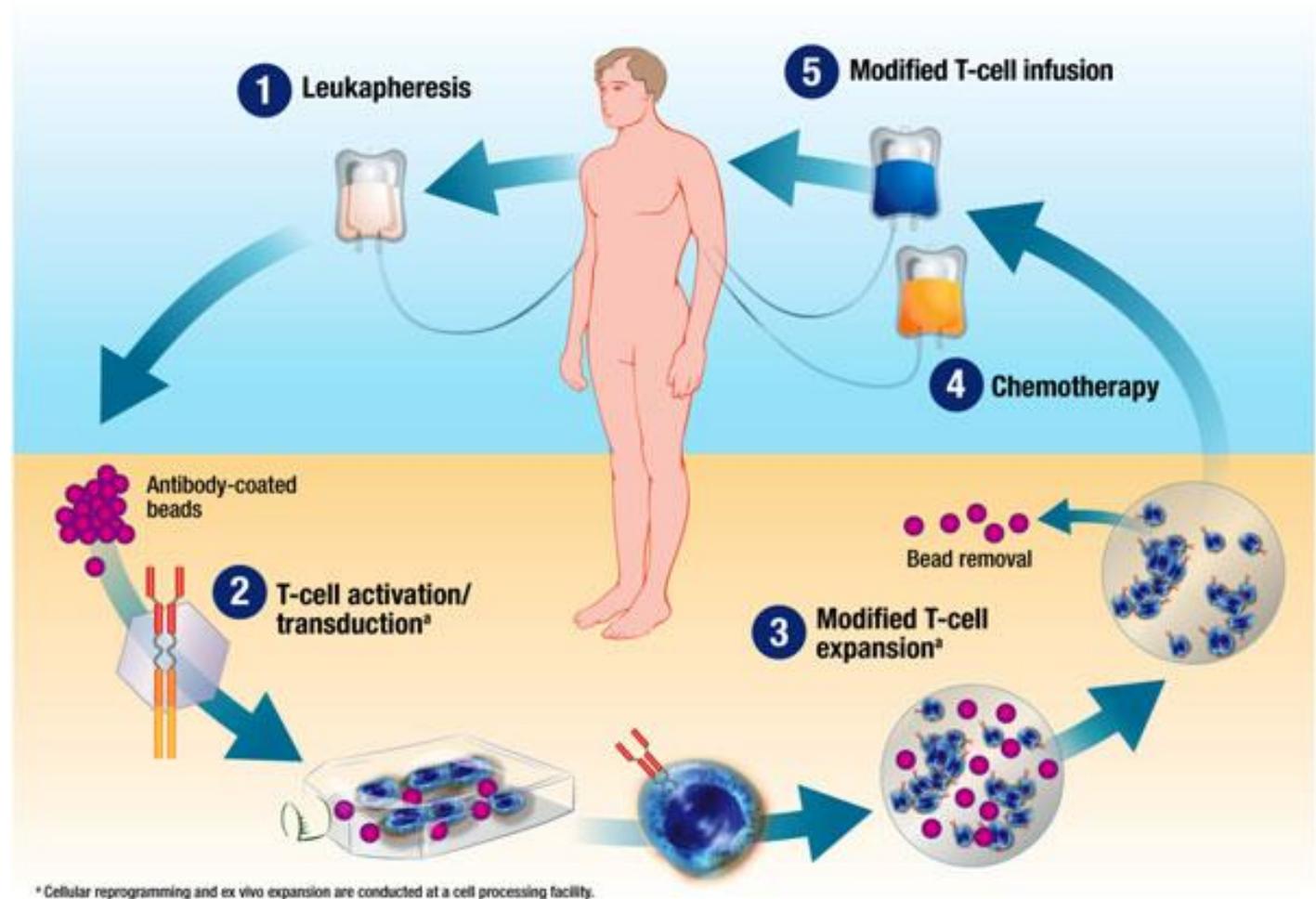
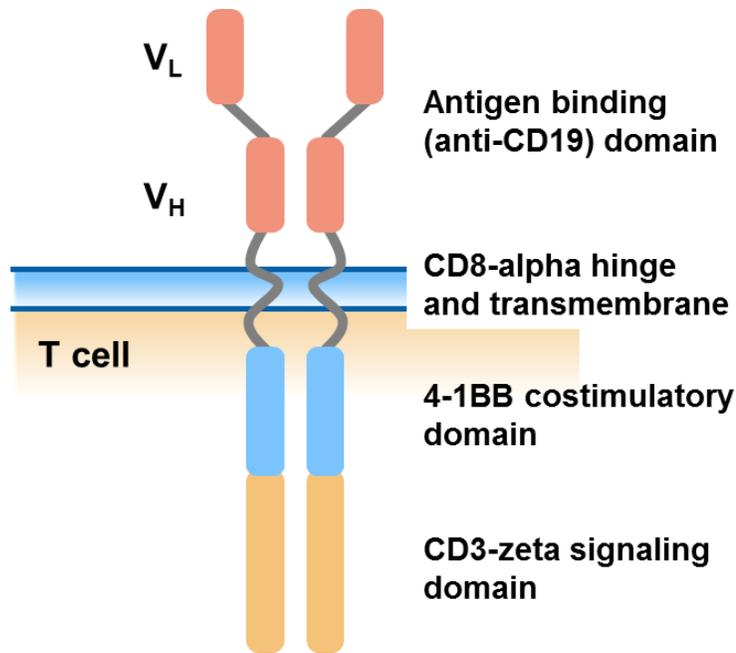
B Cell Malignancies are CD19+



Blanc et al. Clinical Cancer Research 2011

Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T cell Therapy

- Engineering patient T cells to target and eliminate cells presenting specific antigens



FDA-approved CAR T Cell Therapies for Lymphoma

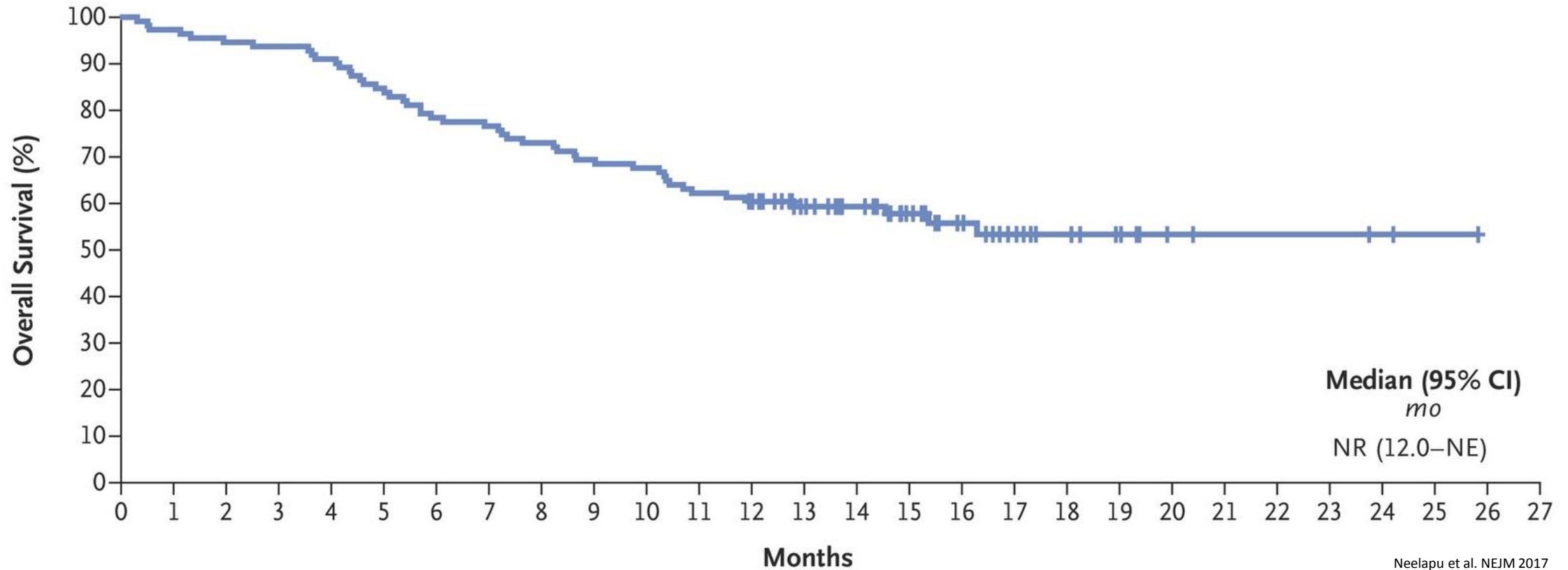
- Axicabtagene ciloleucel
 - ZUMA-1: Adult patients with relapsed or refractory large B cell lymphoma after two or more lines of systemic therapy, including diffuse large B cell lymphoma, high-grade B cell lymphoma, and DLBCL arising from follicular lymphoma
- Tisagenlecleucel
 - JULIET: adult patients with relapsed/refractory large B cell lymphoma—including diffuse large B cell lymphoma (DLBCL), high-grade B cell lymphoma and DLBCL arising from follicular lymphoma—after 2 or more lines of systemic therapy.

Patient Selection Criteria for CAR T Therapies

- Expression of the desired antigen for CAR T therapy
 - e.g. CD19
- Disease burden
 - CAR T trials: <30% to minimize the risk of cytokine release syndrome
- Presence of co-morbidities
 - e.g. Presence of active autoimmune diseases which could be worsened

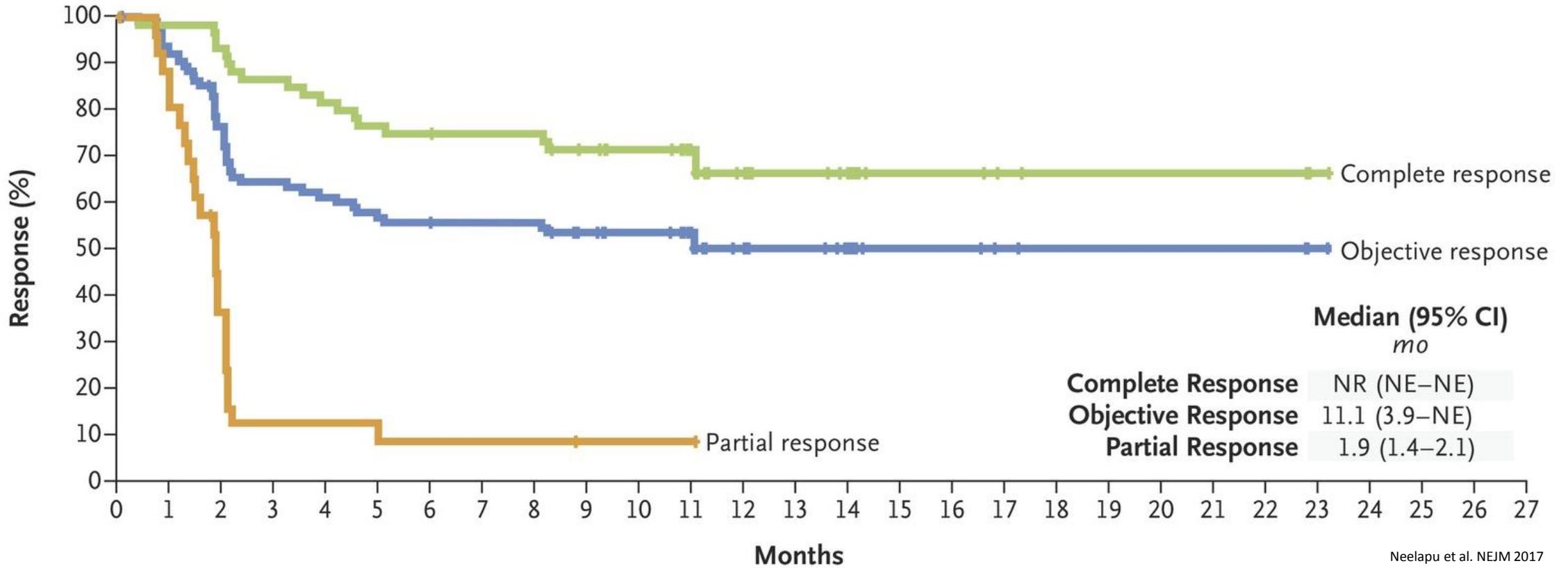
Axicabtagene ciloleucel in B Cell Lymphoma

Overall Survival



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Duration of Response

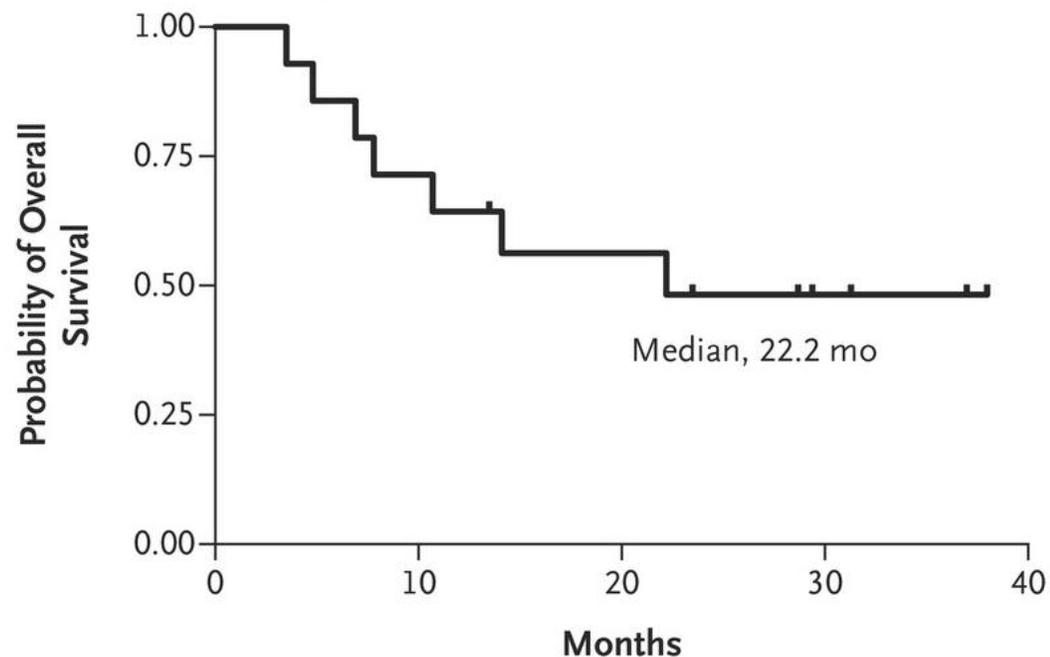


Neelapu et al. NEJM 2017

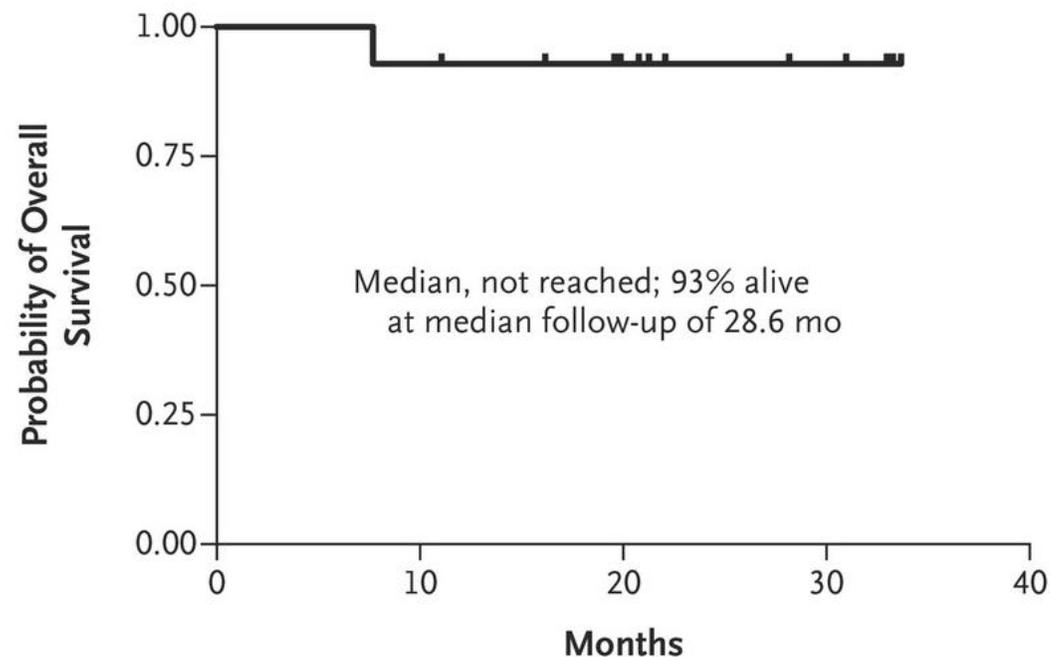
Tisagenlecleucel in B Cell Lymphoma

Overall Survival

Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma, Overall Survival



Follicular Lymphoma, Overall Survival

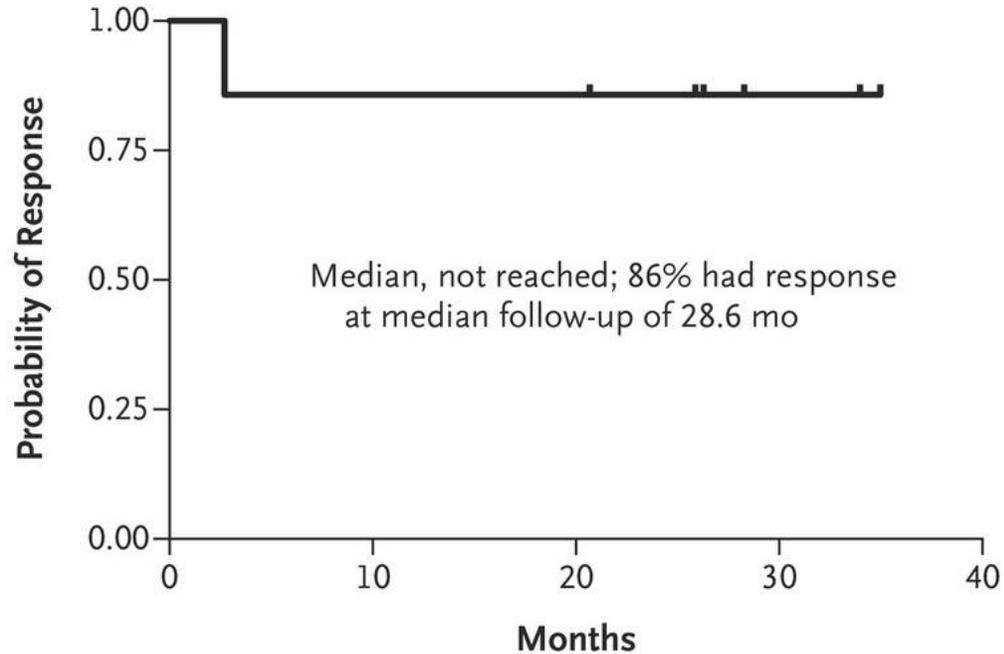


Schuster et al. NEJM 2017

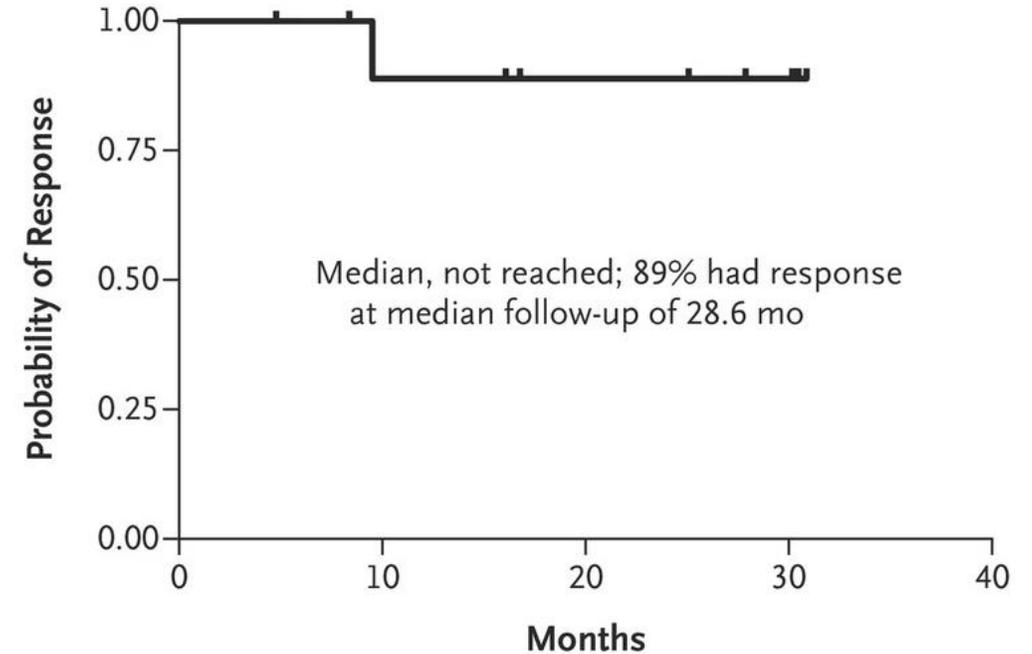
Tisagenlecleucel in B Cell Lymphoma

Duration of Response

Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma, Response Duration



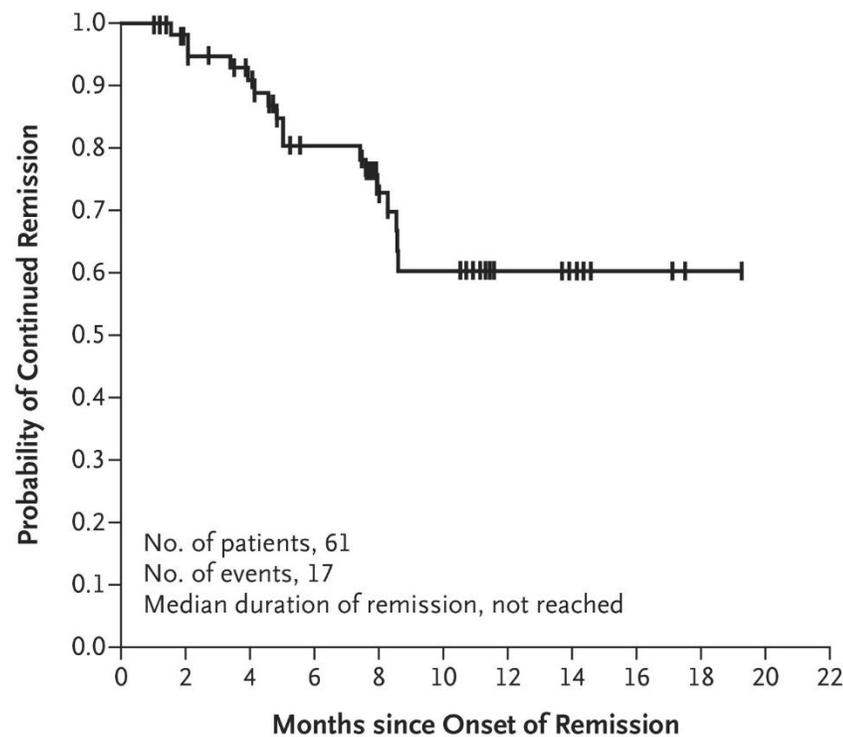
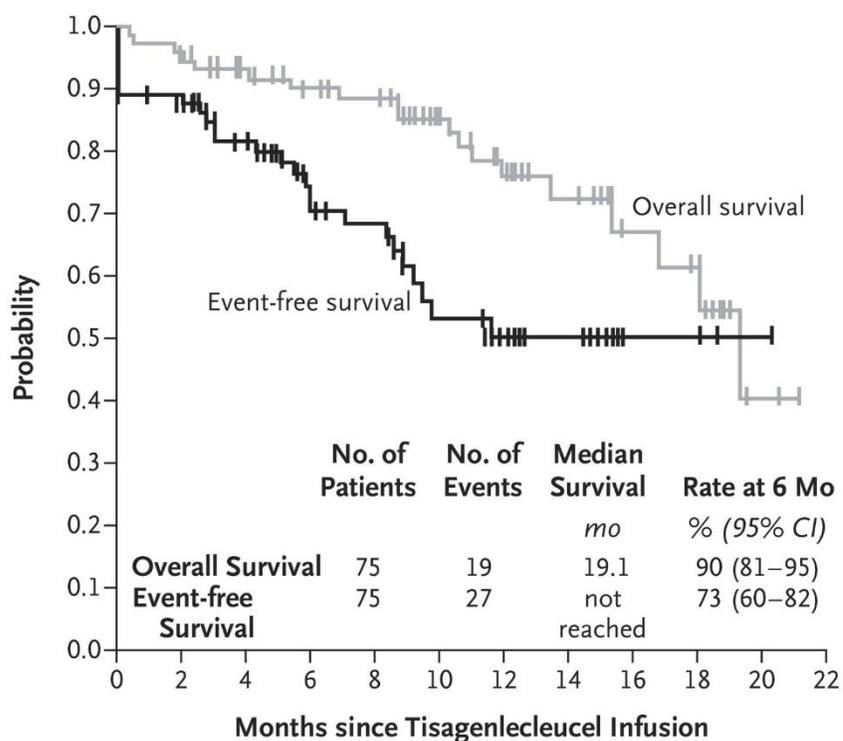
Follicular Lymphoma, Response Duration



Schuster et al. NEJM 2017

FDA-approved CAR T Cell Therapies for Acute Leukemia Tisagenlecleucel

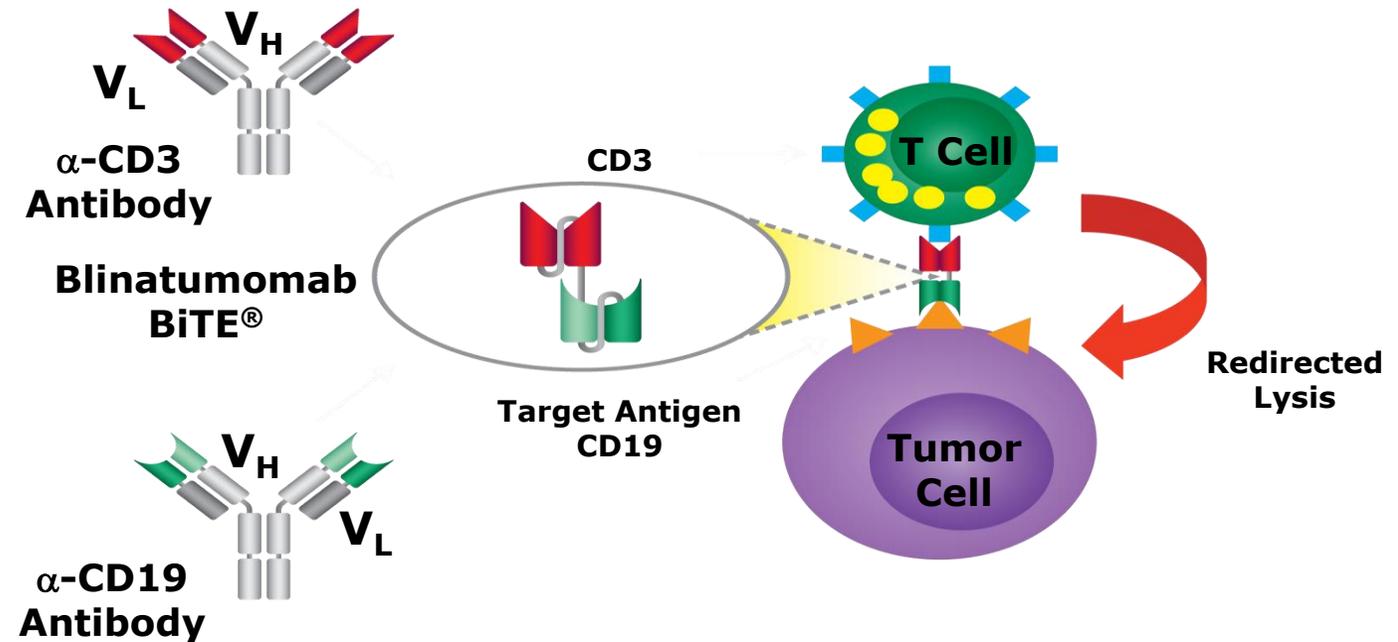
- ELIANA: patients up to age 25 years with B-cell precursor acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) that is refractory or in second or later relapse



Maude et al. NEJM 2018

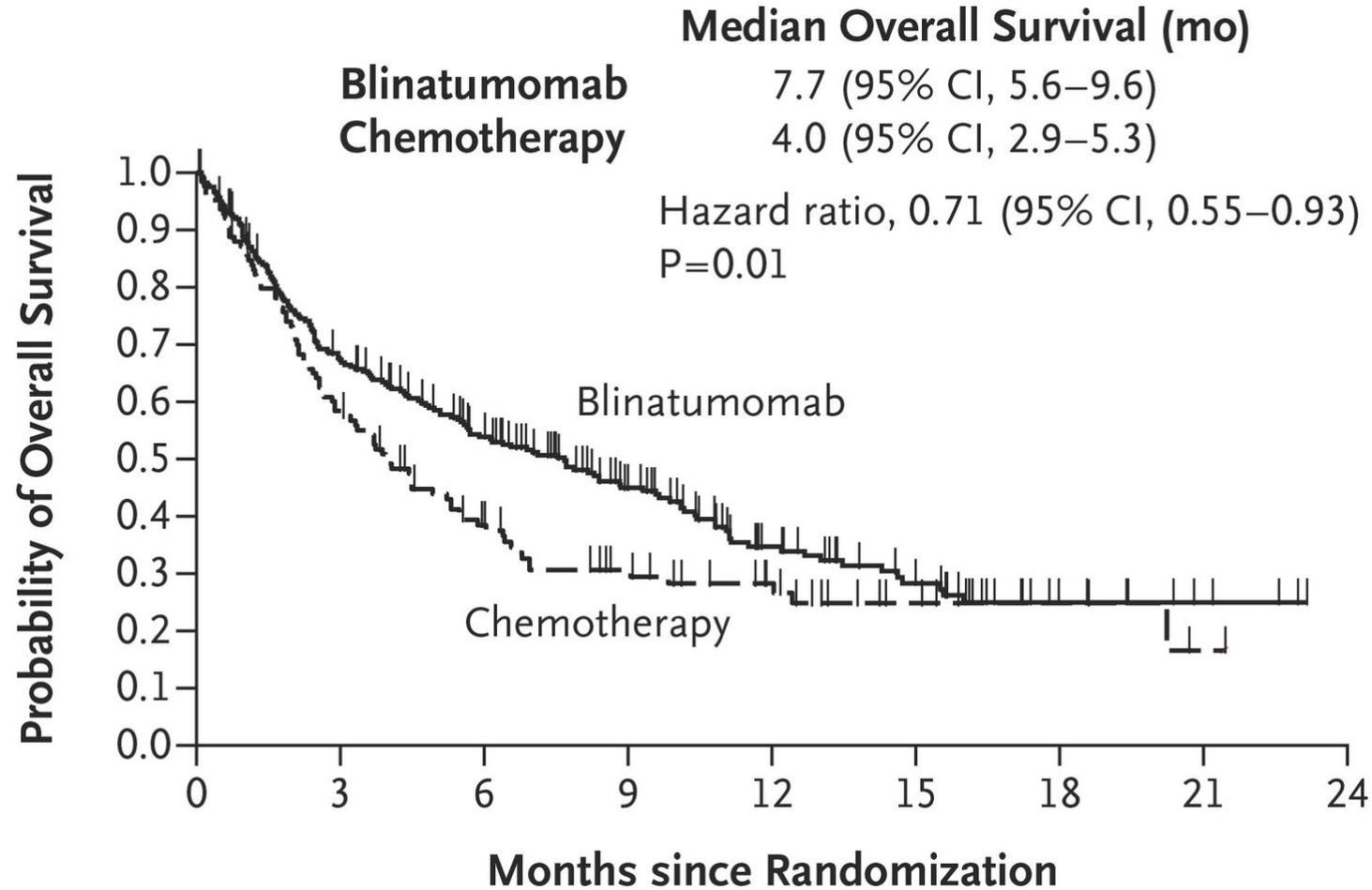
BiTE (Blinatumumab) Therapy

- Combines anti-CD19 F(ab) with anti-CD3 F(ab)
- Lacks the Fc region
- Facilitates T cell engagement with CD19+ tumor cells (Similar to CD19 CAR T)
- FDA approval: Patients with relapsed/refractory B cell precursor ALL



Bargou et al. Science 2008

Blinatumomab for B-ALL



Kantarjian et al. NEJM 2017

Immunotherapies for Multiple Myeloma

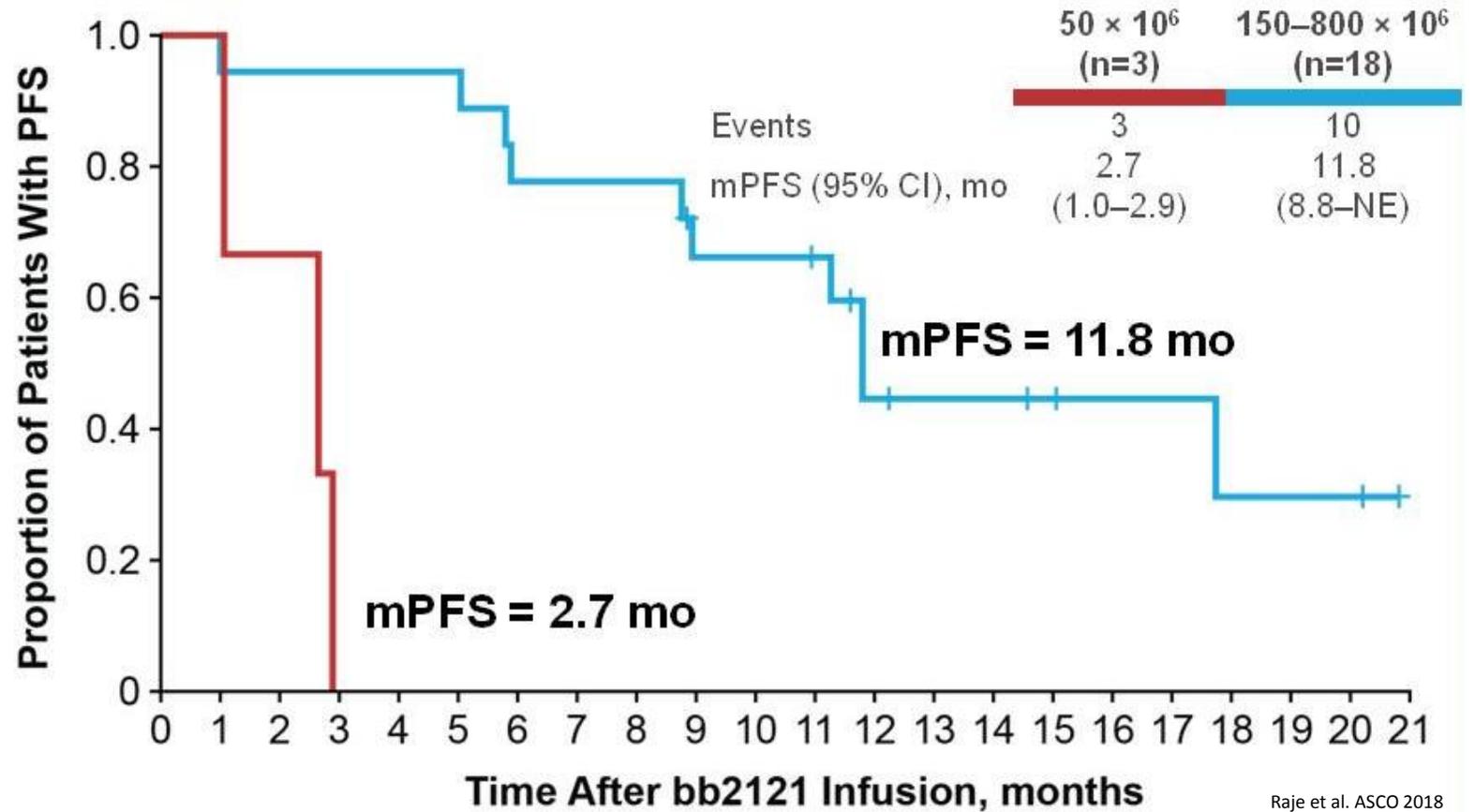
- No approved checkpoint inhibitors
 - KEYNOTE-183/185/023: Halted or discontinued due to risk/benefit profile
- Vaccine-based approaches
 - Non-antigen Specific
 - Attenuated measles
 - Whole cell – FM-CSF
 - Dendritic – tumor fusions
 - Antigen Specific
 - Idiotypic: RNA < DNA, protein
 - Pulsed dendritic cells
 - Tumor-specific peptides



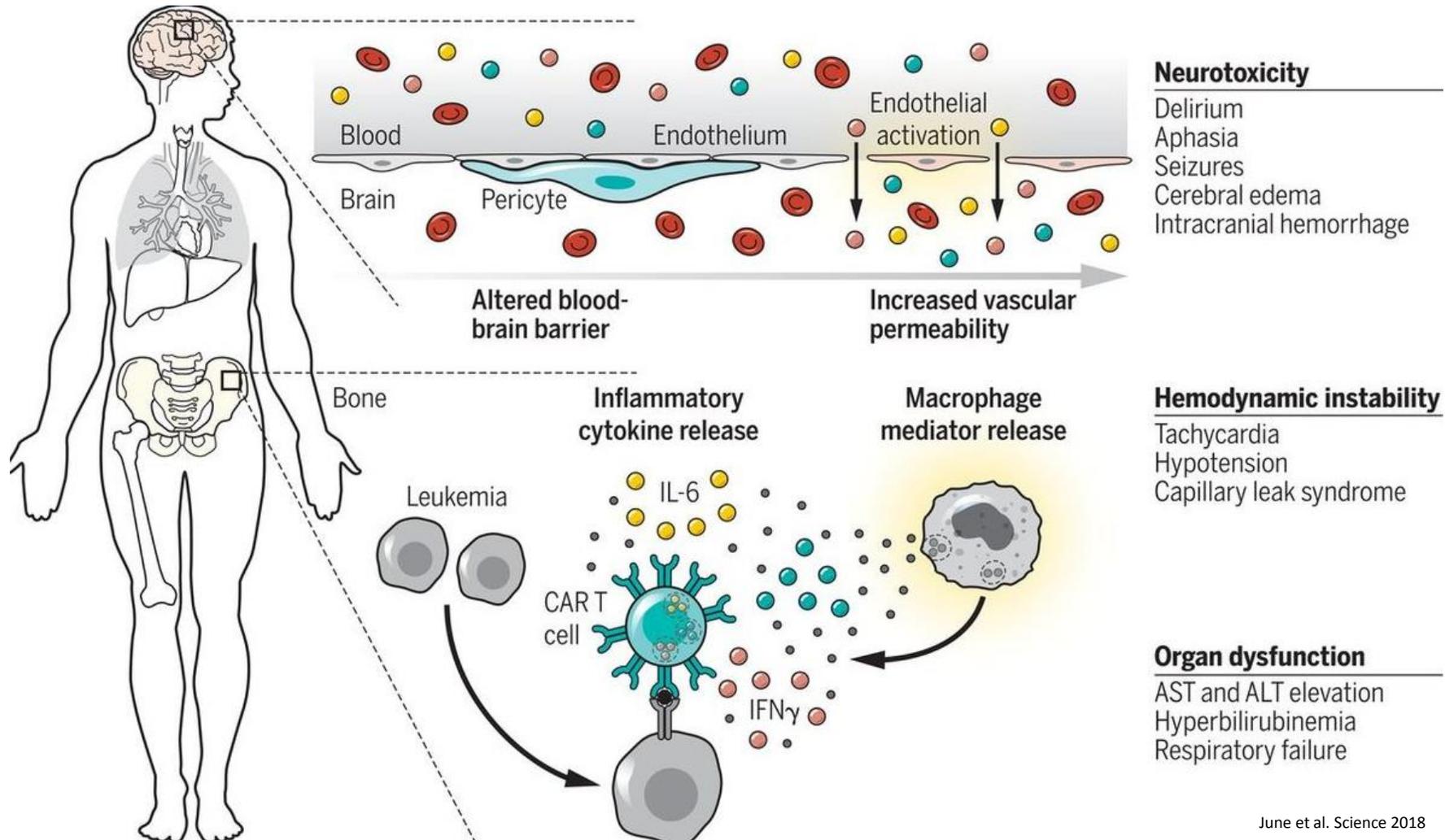
In Development: BCMA+ CAR T Therapy for Myeloma

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- B cell maturation antigen (BCMA)
- Phase I CRB-401 study
- Previously treated patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma

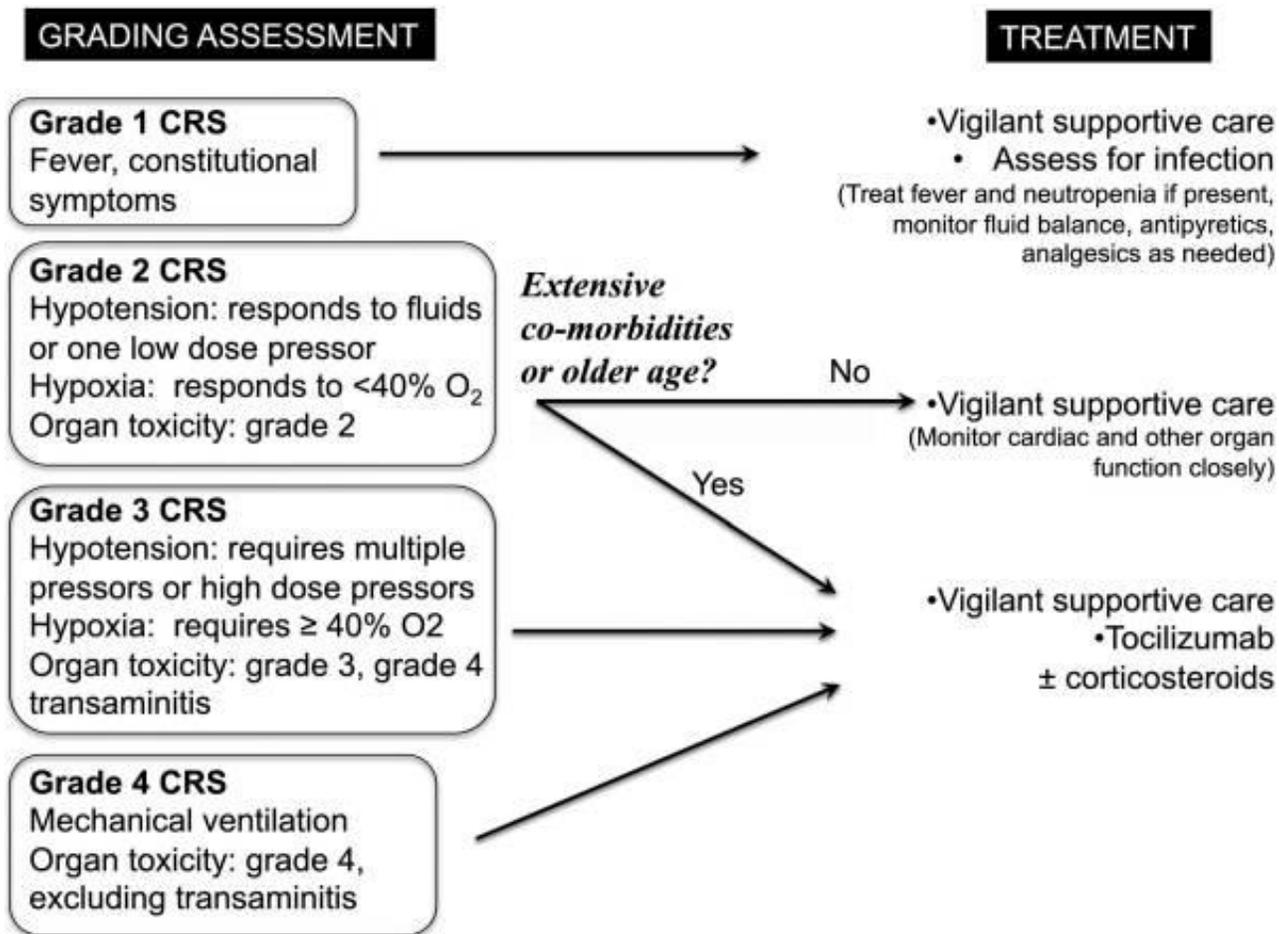


Cytokine Release Syndrome (CRS)

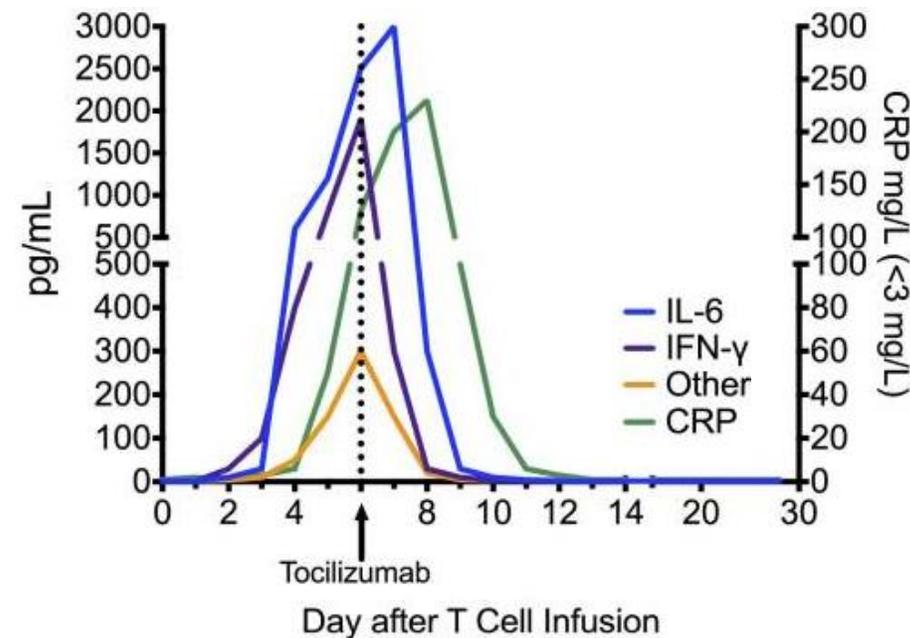


June et al. Science 2018

CRS management



- Tocilizumab
 - Monoclonal antibody that blocks IL-6 signaling



Lee et al. Blood 2014

POSITION ARTICLE AND GUIDELINES

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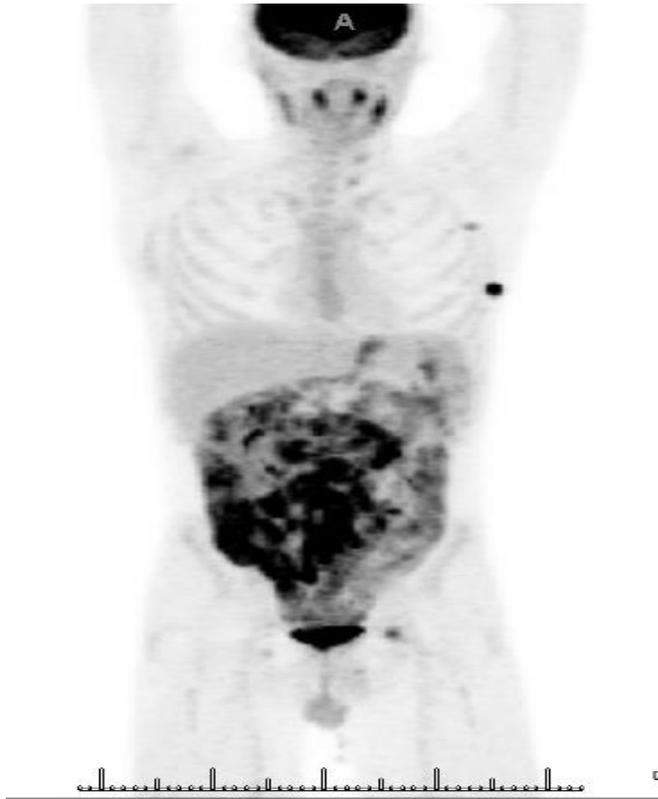
The Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer consensus statement on immunotherapy for the treatment of hematologic malignancies: multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and acute leukemia

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Case Study 1

- Please briefly highlight a case you are familiar with, describing the patient, the disease, eventual treatment, and any response to therapy
- Please limit to no more than 4 slides

Case Study 1



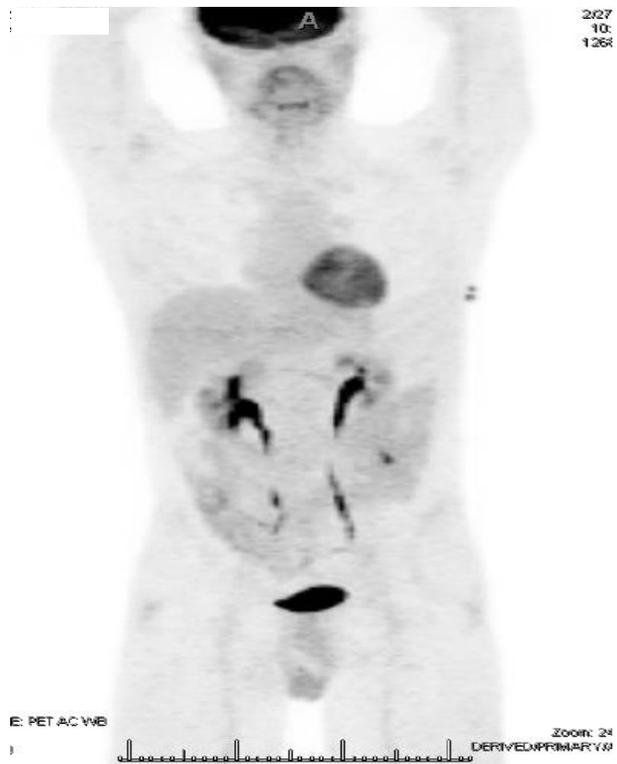
Before CAR T cell treatment

- 49 yo M with DLBCL
- Diagnosed in 2011
- R-CHOP x 6 cycles, relapsed
- Radiation, relapse
- GDP x 2 cycles, no response
- RICE x3, no response
- 2018 CD19 CAR T cells

Case Study 1

- On D3 of CAR T cell administration, he developed fever of 104F
- BP 87/52
- Hypoxia (NC O2 3L)
- He received tocilizumab: fever resolved, BP normalized within 20minutes
- Off NC O2 next day
- After 2 weeks of monitoring was discharged without any issues
- Returned for repeat PET CT on D29

Case Study 1



Day 29 after CAR T cell treatment

- Complete Response

Case study 2

- 21 yo M with Ph-like ALL was treated with pediatric regimen combination chemotherapy in Louisiana.
- After completion of 3 years of maintenance chemotherapy, he moved to Denver
- Upon evaluation of B/L hip replacement, was found to have blasts in the blood
- BM biopsy confirmed relapse
- Received CD19 CAR T cells

Case study 2

- On D3 of CAR T cell administration, he developed fever of 102F
- BP normal
- Mild hypoxia
- Per institutional guidelines received tocilizumab with resolution of grade 1 CRS.
- On day 8 developed expressive aphasia, and received 10mg of dexamethasone with resolution

Case study 2

- D14, D28 marrow showed CR
- MRD by flow was negative, however MRD by NSG positive
- 2 mo post CART infusion he proceeded with cord blood transplant
- 3 month post transplant, he remains in remission