

ABBREVIATIONS	MEANING
Allo	Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplant
ASCO	American Society of Clinical Oncology
ASH	American Society of Hematology
ASO PCR	Allele-Specific Polymerase Oligonucleotide (ASO) Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)
Auto	Autologous Stem Cell Transplant
ASCT	Autologous Stem Cell Transplant
β2M or β₂M	Beta-2 Microglobulin (or β2-microglobulin)
BIRD	Biaxin, Revlimid, Dexamethasone
BMT CTN	Bone Marrow Transplant Clinical Trials Network
BP	Bisphosphonate
BSRI®	Black Swan Research Initiative
BUN	Blood Urea Nitrogen
CALGB	Cancer and Leukemia Group B (a US cooperative clinical trials group)
CAR-T	Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cells
CBC	Complete Blood Count
CD34	Cluster of Differentiation 34 (a cell surface protein on hematopoietic stem cells)
CI	Confidence Interval (statistical term)
CR	Complete Response
Cr	Creatinine
CRAB	CRAB Calcium Renal Anemia Bone Disease
CRP C	C-Reactive Protein
CT or CAT	Computerized [Axial] Tomography (3D X-ray)
CyBorD	Cytoxan, Velcade (Bortezomib), Dexamethasone
DCEP	Dexamethasone, Cyclophosphamide, Etoposide and Cisplatin
DEX	Dexamethasone
DPACE	Dexamethasone, Cisplatin, Adriamycin, Cyclophosphamide, Etoposide
DVD	Doxil, Vincristine, Dex
DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
DWI or DW-MRI	Diffusion Weighted Imaging (a form of MR imaging)
ECOG	Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group
EFS	Event-Free Survival
eGFR	Estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate
EHA	European Hematology Association
EMD	Extramedullary Disease (myeloma that grows outside the bone marrow)
FISH	Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization
FLC	Free Light Chain
GEP	Gene Expression Profile
GIMEMA	The Italian myeloma clinical trials group
GMMG	The German myeloma clinical trials group
GVHD	Graft-Versus-Host Disease
HCT	Hematocrit
HDAC	Histone Deacetylase

HDT	High-Dose Therapy
HGB	Hemoglobin
HLC	Heavy Light Chain
HOVON	The Dutch clinical trials myeloma group
HR	Hazard Ratio (statistical term)
HRMM	High-Risk Multiple Myeloma
HRSMM	High-Risk Smoldering Multiple Myeloma
IEP	Immunoelectrophoresis
IFE	Immunofixation Electrophoresis
Ig	Immunoglobulin
IM	Intramuscular (shot or infection into the muscle)
IMWG	International Myeloma Working Group
ISS	International Staging System
IV	Intravenous (injection into the vein)
KRD	Kyprolis (carfilzomib), Revlimid, Dexamethasone
LDH	Lactose Dehydrogenase
MDE	Myeloma-Defining Event
MEL 200	The dose administered in ASCT: 200 mg of melphalan per square meter of body mass
MGUS	Monoclonal Gammopathy of Undetermined Significance
MP	Melphalan + Prednisone
MPR	Melphalan, Prednisone, Revlimid
MPT	Melphalan, Prednisone, Thalidomide
MR	Minimal Response (between 25% and 50% response to a drug or regimen in a clinical trial)
MRC	Medical Research Council (UK myeloma clinical trials group)
MRD	Minimal Residual Disease
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
mSMART	Mayo Stratification of Myeloma and Risk-Adapted Therapy
MTD	Maximum Tolerated Dose
NA or N/A	Not Available
nCR	Near-Complete Response
NDMM	Newly Diagnosed Multiple Myeloma
NGF	Next-Generation Flow (new 8-color flow cytometry test with software for myeloma)
NGS	Next-Generation Sequencing (new DNA-sequencing test)
NR	Not Reached
ONJ	Osteonecrosis of the Jaw
ONS	Oncology Nursing Society
ORR	Overall Response Rate
OS	Overall Survival
PAD	Velcade (formerly PS-341), Adriamycin, Dexamethasone
PBSCT	Peripheral Blood Stem Cell Transplant
PCLI	Plasma Cell Labeling Index
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction (DNA test)
PET	Positron Emission Tomography

PET/CT	PET combined with a CT scan
PETHEMA	The Spanish myeloma clinical trials group
PFS	Progression-Free Survival
PLT	Platelets
PN	Peripheral Neuropathy
PR	Partial Remission
PSCT	Peripheral Stem Cell Transplant
Qlg	Serum Quantitative Immunoglobulins
RBC	Red Blood Cells
Rd	Revlimid (lenalidomide) + low-dose dexamethasone
RMPT	Revlimid, Melphalan, Prednisone, Thalidomide
RRMM	Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma
RQPCR	Real-time Quantitative Polymerase Chain Reaction (DNA test)
RVD	Revlimid, Velcade, Dexamethasone
sCR	Stringent CR (CR plus normal free light chain ratio and no clonal plasma cells)
SCT	Stem Cell Transplant
SD	Stable Disease
SMM	Smoldering Multiple Myeloma
SPEP	Serum Protein Electrophoresis
SPM	Second Primary Malignancy
SQ	Subcutaneous (sometimes abbreviated SC)
SRE	Skeletal-Related Event
SWOG	Southwest Oncology Group
TMI	Too Much Information
TTP	Time to Progression
UPEP	Urine Protein Electrophoresis
VAD	Vincristine, Adriamycin, Dexamethasone (old standard induction therapy)
VCF	Vertebral Compression Fracture
VDT-PACE	Velcade, Dexamethasone, Thalidomide, Cisplatin, Adriamycin, Cyclophosphamide, Etoposide
VEGF	Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor
VGPR	Very Good Partial Remission
VRd	Velcade, Revlimid, Low Dose Dexamethasone
VTD	Velcade, Thalidomide, Dexamethasone
WBC	White Blood Cells
WBLD CT	Whole-Body Low-Dose CT
WBLD MRI	Whole-Body Low-Dose MRI
WBXR	Whole-Body X-Ray
WM	Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia
ZOL	Zoledronic acid or zoledronate (Zometa®)