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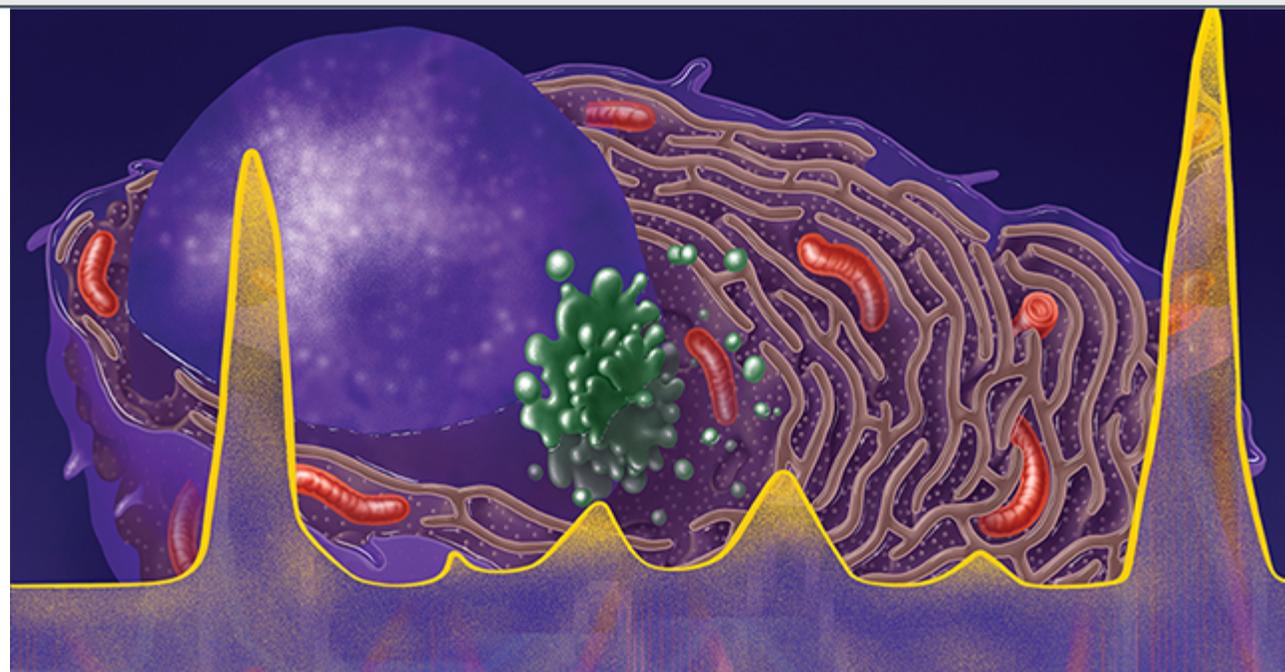
# How to Treat Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma in 2020

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**Case Discussion 3:**  
**Managing a patient with relapsed disease**  
**after  $\geq 1$  line of therapy**

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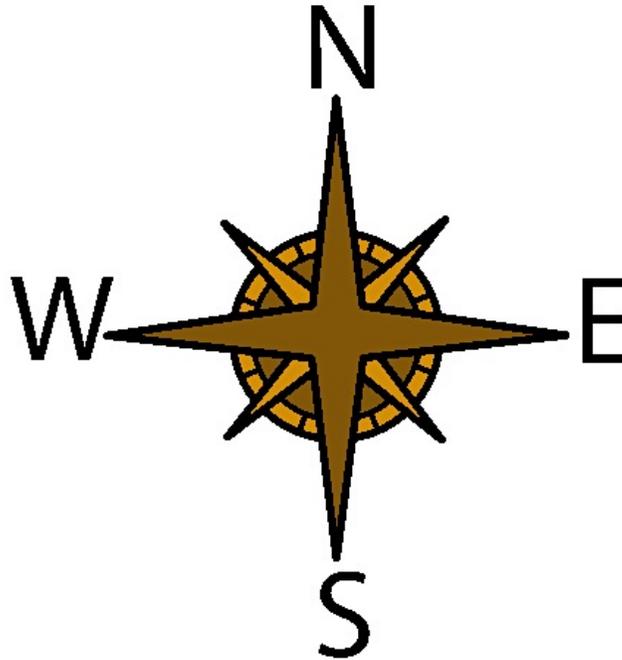
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# Strategies at Relapse: How to Make the RIGHT CHOICE?

## Disease-related Factors

*Type of relapse, cytogenetic risk,  
extramedullary disease*

**Efficacy and Toxicity  
of previous  
treatments**



**Patient-related  
factors**

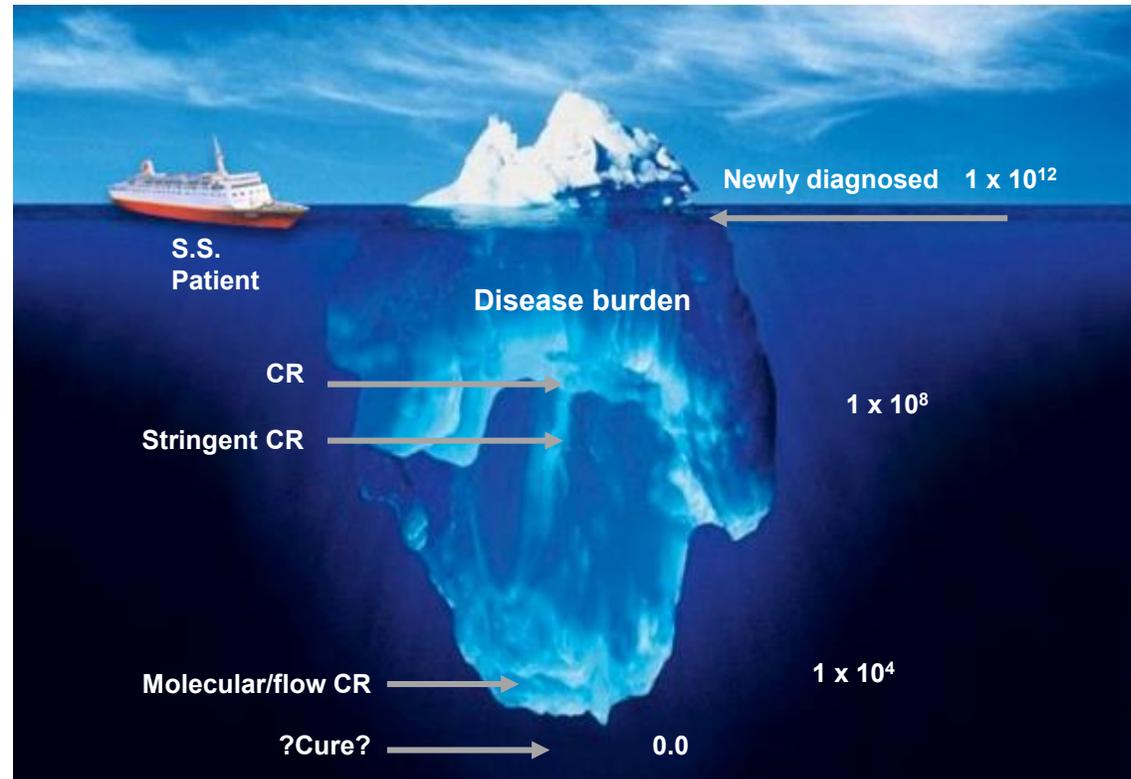
*Age (Trx eligibility),  
comorbidities, frailty*

**Further options**

# Response to Therapy is the Key Element to Evaluate Treatment Efficacy and Critical For Survival

*The definition of CR is suboptimal: .....The term CR is confusing for the patient*

*Who wouldn't want to know with precision the quality of patients' response to therapy?*

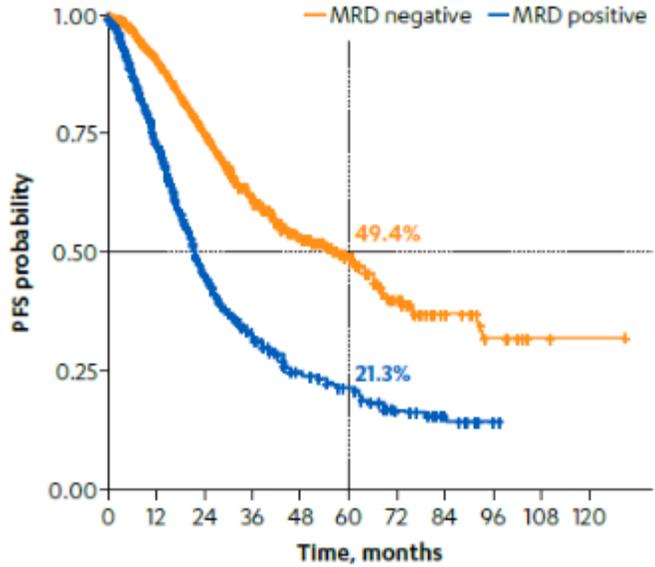


***Is MRD relevant in the relapse setting ?***

# Positive vs Negative MRD: Two Different Myelomas

Results from an expanded meta-analysis (8,114 patients)

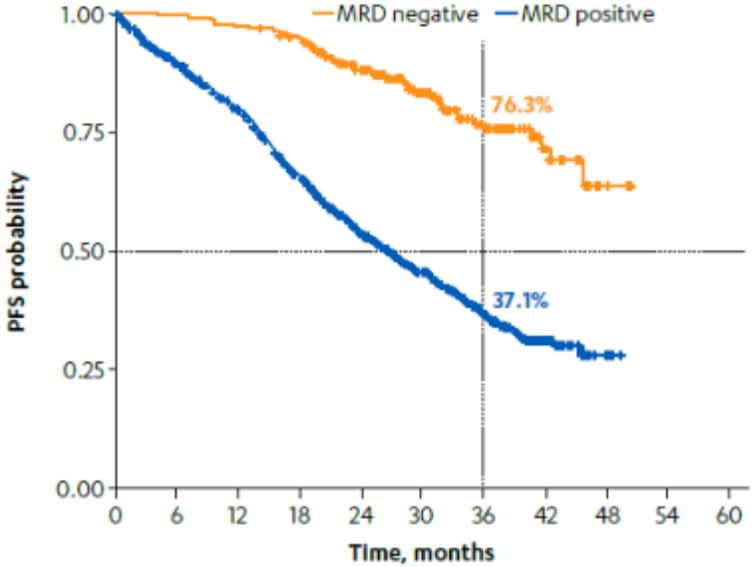
NDMM (transplant-eligible)



Number at risk

MRD-	1254	803	431	287	147	95	47	22	10	3	1
MRD+	986	549	229	134	66	50	30	13	2	0	0

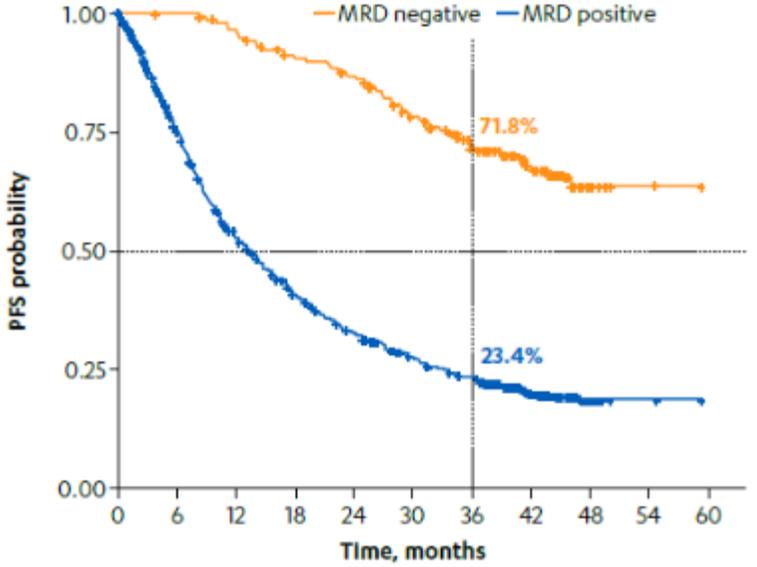
NDMM (transplant-ineligible)



Number at risk

MRD-	291	290	283	274	217	139	93	30	4	0	0
MRD+	1328	1126	983	782	516	268	133	48	5	0	0

RR MM



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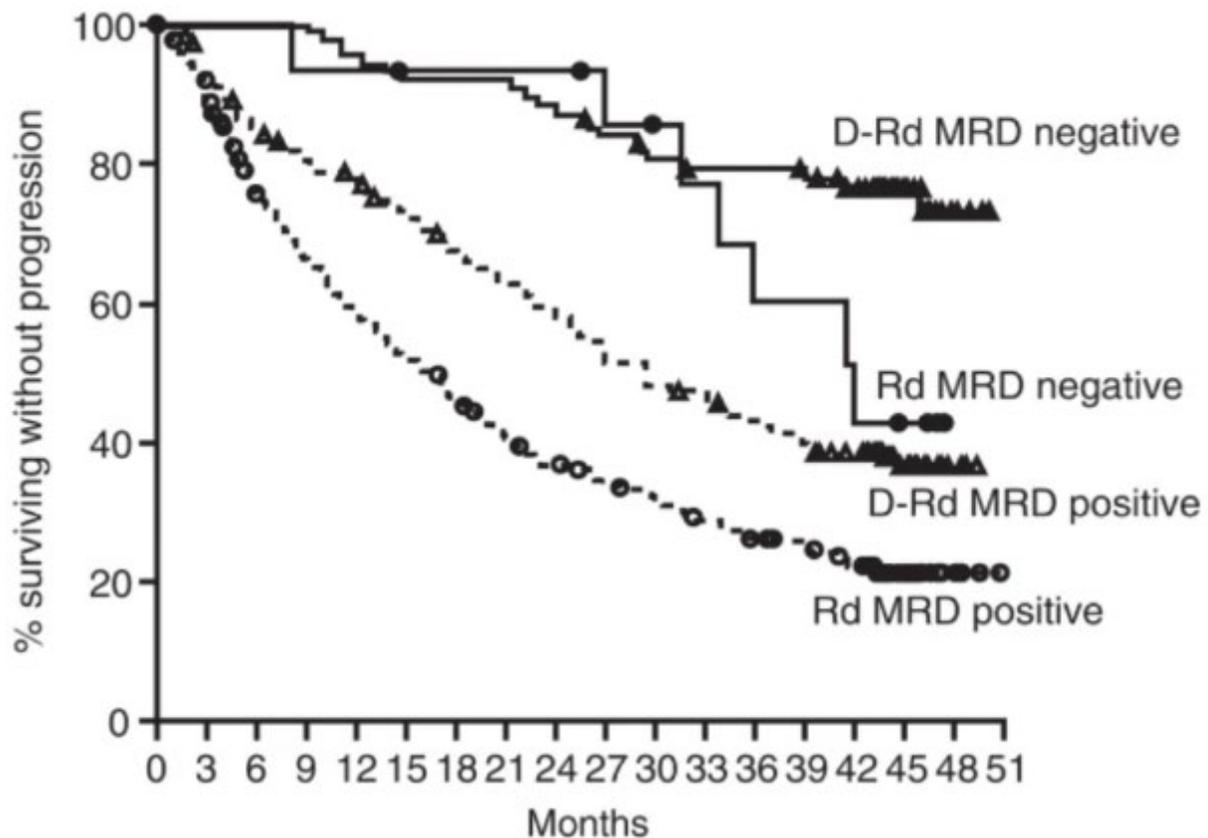
MRD-	164	163	155	142	135	114	97	74	10	4	0
MRD+	960	672	456	343	269	214	179	131	11	2	0

Progressive improvement in MRD technologies

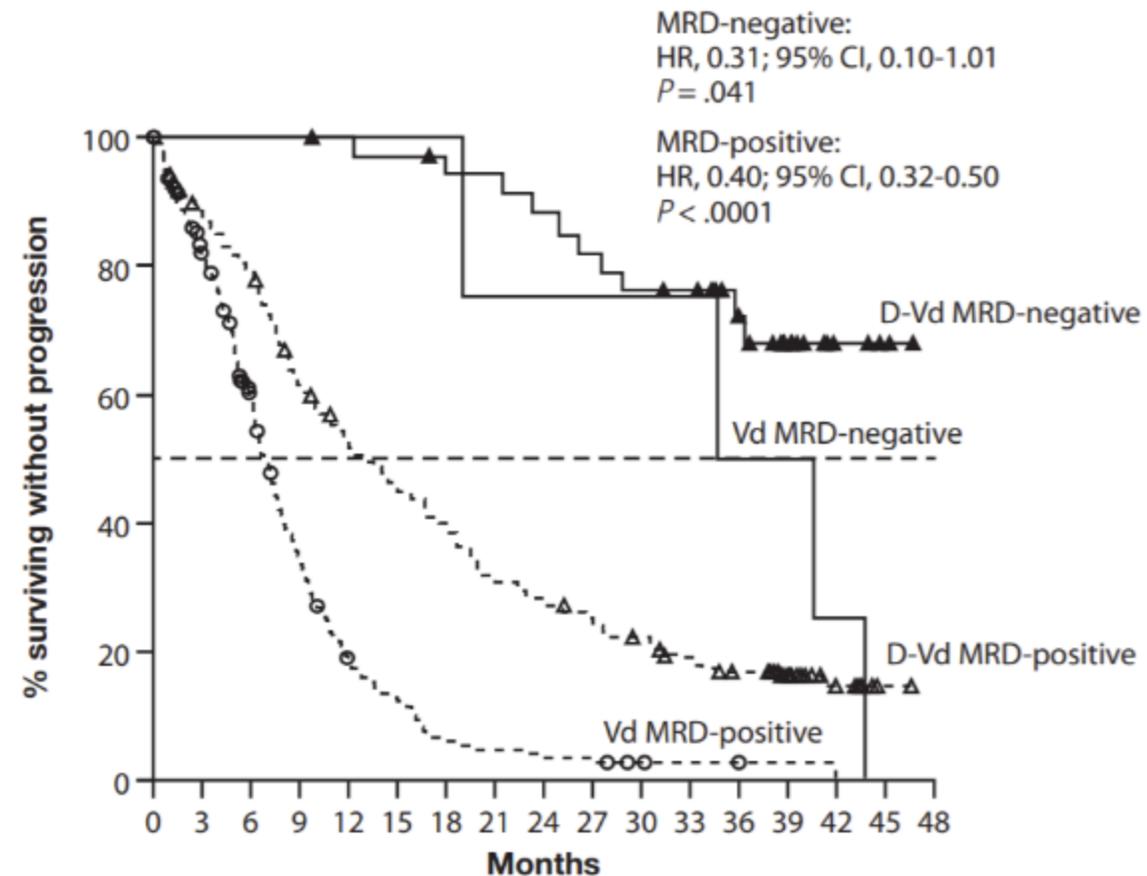
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# MRD Assessment in Pollux and Castor: Impact of Achieving MRD-Negativity ( $10^{-5}$ )

## Pollux (Rd +/- Dara)



## Castor (Vd +/- Dara)



# Should We Treat Biochemical Relapses?

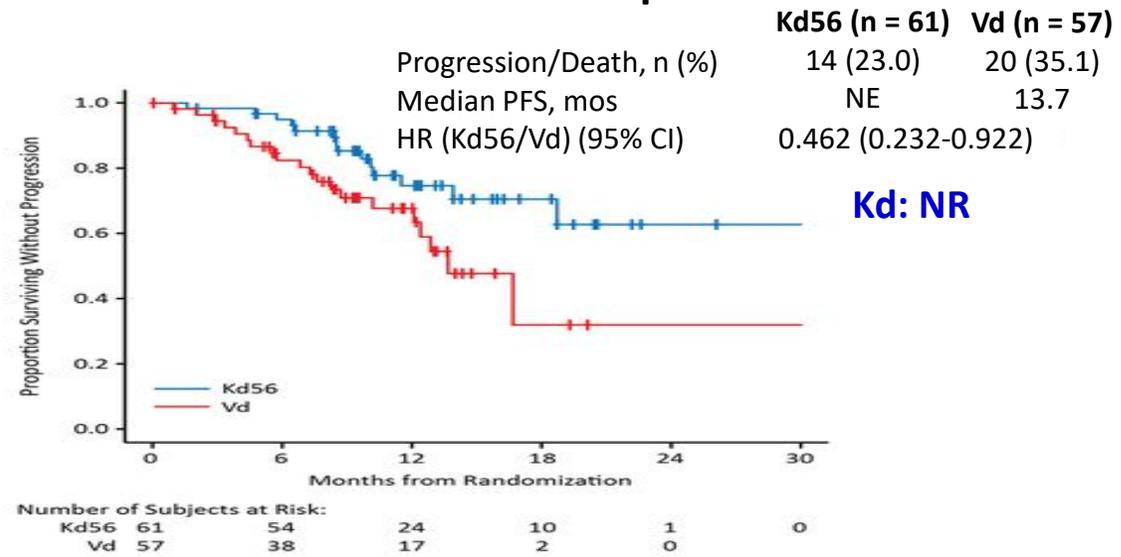


# PFS and OS According to Biochemical vs Clinical Relapses

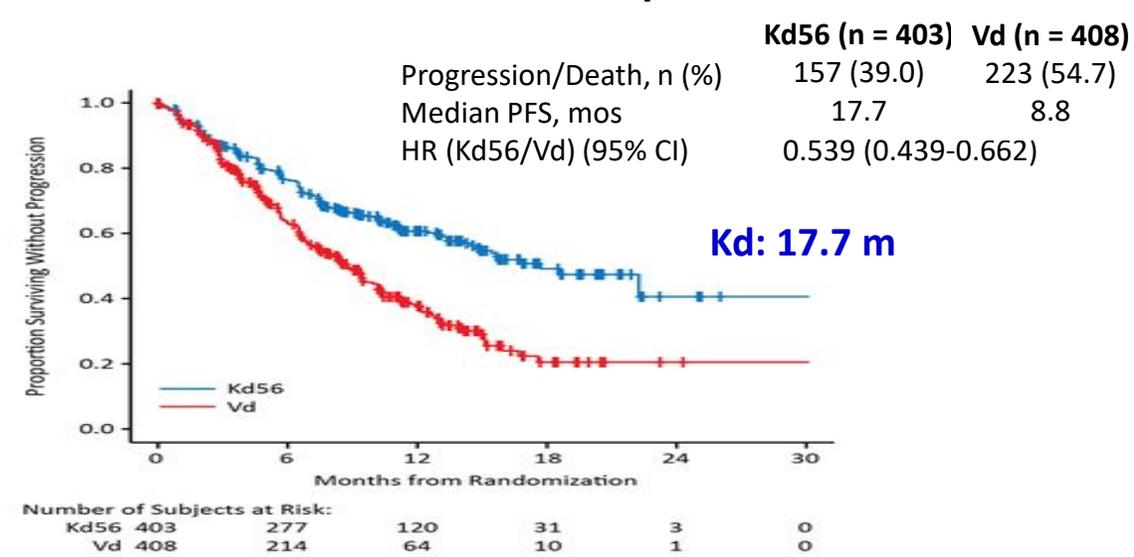
## Endeavor study (n = 211 relapsing after ASCT)

**PFS**

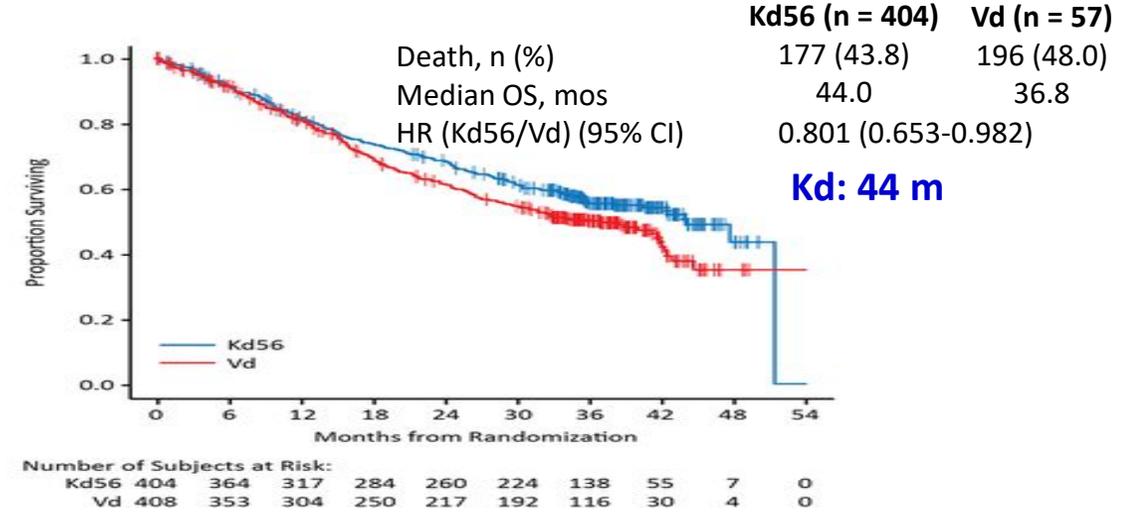
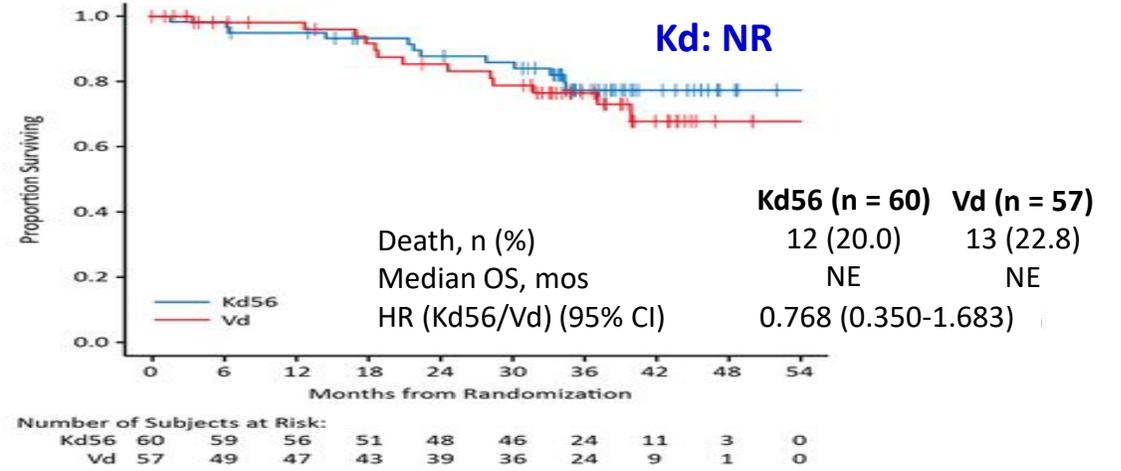
### Biochemical Relapse



### Clinical Relapse



**OS**



# Should We Perform a Second ASCT at Relapse ?

*66-Year-Old Man Relapsing after VTD + ASCT + Len x 2y:*

Decisions based on the **duration of the previous response**

## Late relapse (> 3-4 years post ASCT)

- *Aggressive relapse:* Reinduction (VRD/KRD +/- Dara) + 2nd ASCT
- *Biochemical Relapse:* Repeat the initial approach or same as above

## Early relapse (< 1 year post ASCT)

*“Overcome drug resistance”*

Combination of non cross-resistant agents  
VRD (KRD)-PACE + Dara → RIC-Allo/CAR-T

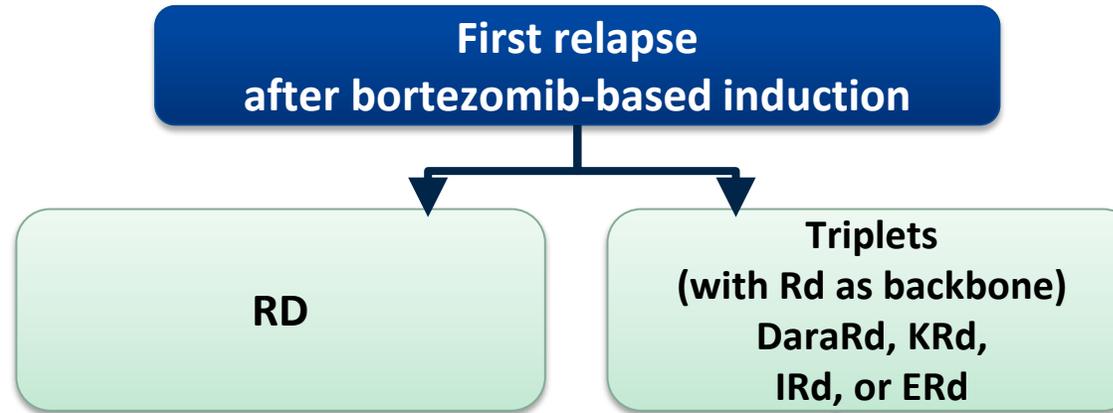
## Intermediate relapse (2-3 years post ASCT)

*“Prolong survival until curative treatments are developed”*

Sequential novel agent combinations: Dara + PomDex.....KRD...

# 1<sup>st</sup> Relapse After Bortezomib-Based Induction (Len Naive or Exposed but Not Refractory)

## Lenalidomide-Based Regimens: Efficacy (Rd vs triplets with Rd backbone)

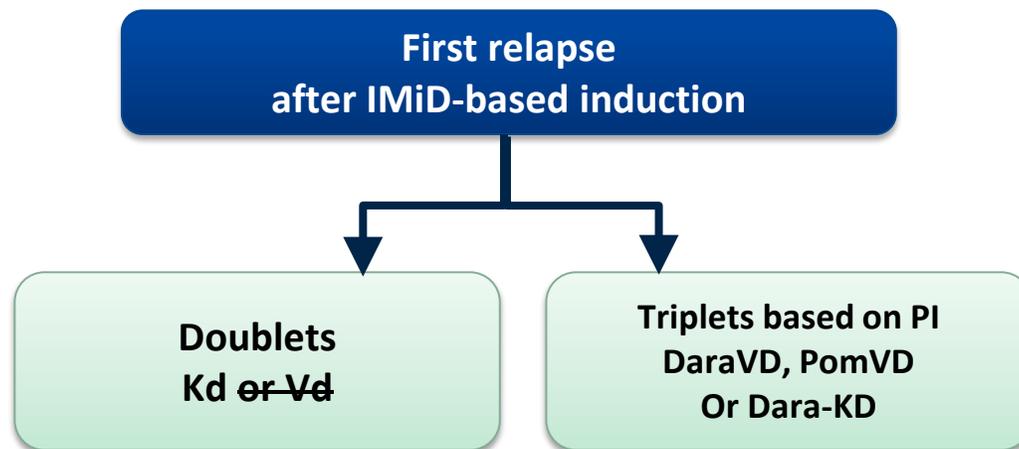


Efficacy	POLLUX <sup>[1]</sup> (N = 569) <b>DaraRd vs Rd</b>	ASPIRE <sup>[2]</sup> (N = 792) <b>KRd vs Rd</b>	ELOQUENT-2 <sup>[3]</sup> (N = 646) <b>ERd vs Rd</b>	TOURMALINE-MM1 <sup>[4]</sup> (N = 722) <b>IRd vs Rd</b>
<b>PFS HR (▲m)</b>	<b>0.44</b> (▲ 27 mos) 44.5 mos vs 17.5 mos	<b>0.66</b> (▲ 9.5 mos) 26.1 mos vs 16.6 mos	<b>0.72</b> (▲ 4.5 mos) 19.4 mos vs 14.9 mos	<b>0.74</b> (▲ 5.9 mos) 20.6 mos vs. 14.7 mos

**Economical constrains: RD + Cyclophosphamide , VTD ( if TFI > 12 mos)**

1st Relapse Following Continuous Lenalidomide/Dex, Len Maintenance, VRD-Rd ... will be considered Len-Refrac

**Proteasome Inhibitors-Based Regimens: Efficacy**



Efficacy	ENDEAVOR (N = 929) Kd vs Vd <sup>1,2</sup>	KCyDex (N = 198) KCd vs Kd <sup>3</sup>	CASTOR (N = 498) DaraVd vs Vd <sup>4</sup>	CANDOR (N = 466) DKd vs Kd <sup>5</sup>	IKEMA (N = 302) IKd vs Kd <sup>6</sup>
<b>PFS HR (▲ mos)</b>	<b>0.53 (▲ 9)</b> 18.7 vs 9.4 mos	<b>1 (▲ 5)</b> 20.7 vs 15.2 mos	<b>0.31 (▲ 9)</b> 16.7 vs 7.1 mos	<b>0.63 (▲ NE)</b> NE vs 15.8 mos	<b>0.53 (▲ NE)</b> NE vs 19.2 mos
Len Refract, experimental arm, % (mPFS)	<b>24% (8.6 mos)</b>	<b>36% (26 mos)</b>	<b>18% (9.3 mos)</b>	<b>31.7% (NA)</b>	<b>32% (NA)</b>

\*\*PANORAMA-1 PanoVD vs VD (n=768)<sup>7</sup>: mPFS 12 mos vs 8 mos (HR: **0.63 (▲ 4 m)**); 27.6% CR rate; Only 19% Lena Refractory

**Economical Constrains. VMP/VCD (16 m; 83% at 1 Yr)<sup>8</sup>**

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## Relapse/Refractory to Lenalidomide: Pomalidomide-based Regimens

Efficacy	OPTIMISM (N = 559) PVd vs Vd <sup>1</sup>	ICARIA (N = 307) IsaPd vs Pd <sup>2</sup>	ELOQUENT (N = 117) EloPd vs Pd <sup>3</sup>	APOLLO (N= 304) DPd vs Pd <sup>4</sup>
<b>PFS HR</b> (▲ mos)	<b>0.61 (▲ 4.1)</b> <b>11.2* vs 7.1m</b>	<b>0.59 (▲ 5.0)</b> <b>11.5 vs 6.5m</b>	<b>0.54 (▲ 5.6)</b> <b>10.3 vs 4.7m</b>	<b>0.63 (▲ 5.5)</b> <b>12.4 vs 6.9m</b>
<b>ORR, %</b>	<b>82 vs 50</b>	<b>60 vs 35</b>	<b>53 vs 26</b>	<b>51 vs 19.6 ≥ VGPR</b>

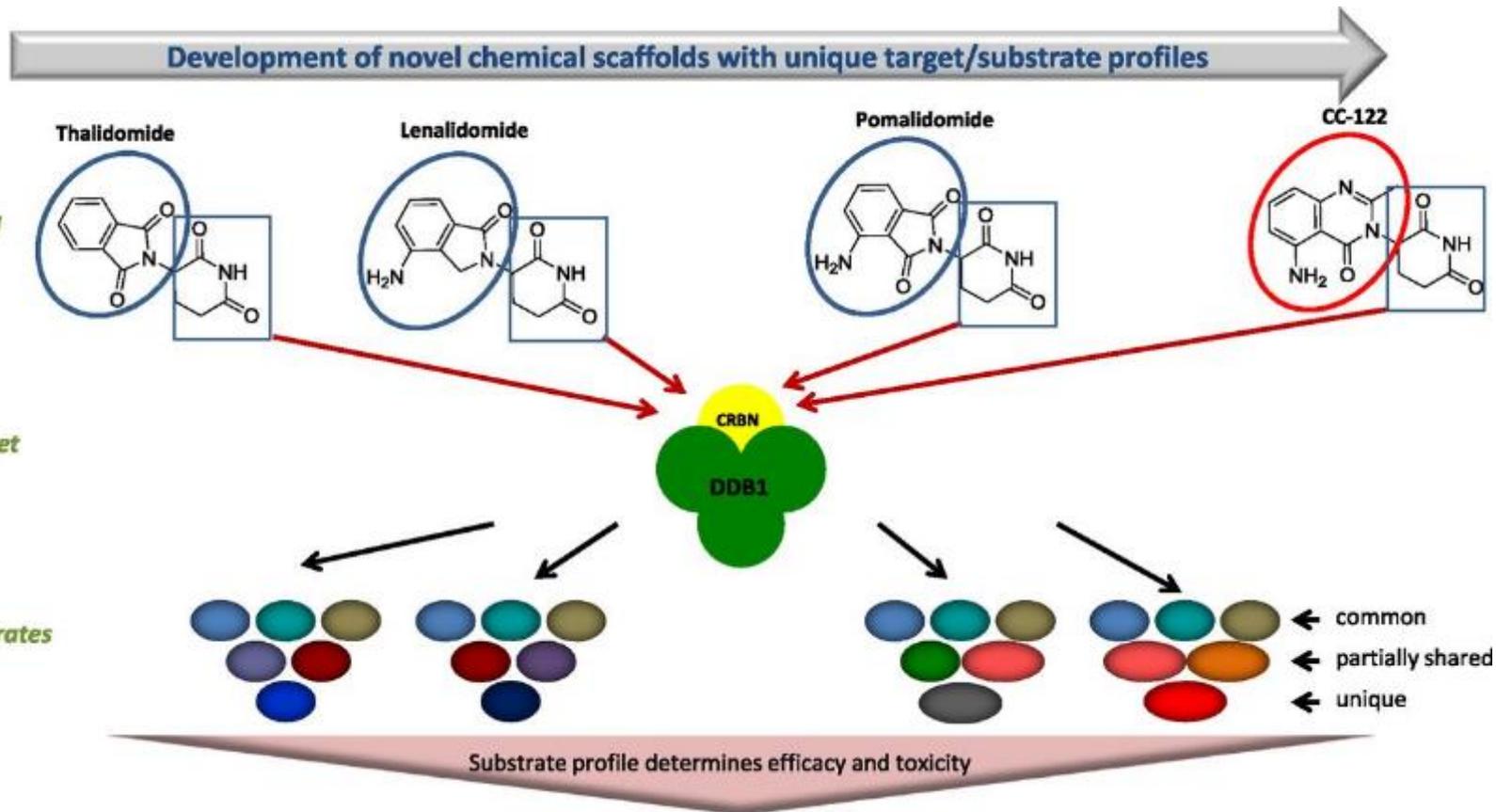
**\*17.8 m in Len-Ref 1st**

- **PomCyDex (n = 100): mPFS 7.6 m (10.4 m in PR)<sup>5</sup>**
- **KPomDex (EMN-011; n= 60): mPFS 18 m<sup>6</sup>**

- **Dara-Kd (CANDOR) in Lena Ref HR 0.45<sup>7</sup>**
- **Isa-Kd (IKEMA) in Lena Ref HR 0.59<sup>8</sup>**

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5. Otero. EHA 2020. Abstract EP982. 6. Sonneveld. ASH 2018. Abstract 801. 7. Dimopoulos. Lancet. 2020;396:186. 8. Moreau. EHA 2020. Abstr LBA2603.

# Next-generation IMiDs, CELMoDs™ (Cereblon E3 Ligase Modulation Drugs) in Multiple Myeloma



CC-220 (iberdomide)...ORR:32%<sup>1</sup>

CC-92480.....ORR: 54%<sup>2</sup>

Iber combinations:<sup>3</sup>

+ Dara (65% Dara Ref)...35% ORR

+ Btz (100% Btz Ref)...50% ORR



Substrate profile determines efficacy and toxicity

Cell Type

Multiple myeloma  
Lymphoma  
Leukemia  
Solid tumors

T-cell activation  
NK-cell activation  
B-cell inhibition

Stromal cells

Teratogenicity  
Neutropenia

Biological Effect

Anti-Tumor

Immunomodulation

Microenvironment

Toxicity

1. Lonial. ASH 2019. Abstr 3119.

2. Richardson. ASCO 2020. Abstr 8500.

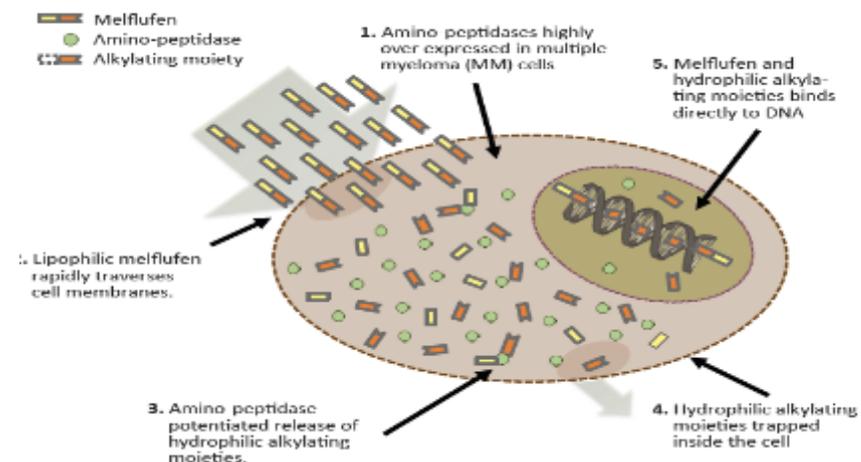
3. Van de Donk. ASH 2020. Abstr 724.

# Management of Patients > 3 line - Novel Drugs Under Development

## Novel Alkylators: Melflufen

- Melflufen is a **highly lipophilic alkylating peptide**, belonging to the novel class of Peptidase Enhanced Compounds
- **Intracellular amino-peptidases that are overexpressed in most malignant cells, will rapidly cleave melflufen releasing the hydrophilic, active alkylating metabolite**
- In vitro, treatment of tumor cells with melflufen results in **50-fold higher intracellular concentration of alkylating metabolite** than those treated with equimolar melphalan alone. In vivo, human xenograft mouse models treated with melflufen showed prolonged survival.

Melflufen is a peptidase potentiated therapy with an alkylating payload



**Melflufen 40 mg iv every 28 days + Dex 40 mg weekly**

### Phase II O-12-M1 trial

RR MM pts  $\geq$  2 lines and refr. to last line.

N = 45 in combination cohort.

Median 4 (2-14) lines; 64% double refr.; 53% Alkylator refr.

**ORR 31% ..... 5 VGPR & 9 PR patients**

**PFS: 5.7m .....DOR 8.4m; OS: 20.7m**

G3/4 AEs: Thromboc. (62%), Neutrop. (58%), Anemia: 42%

*Richardson. Lancet Haematology. 2020;7:E395.*

### Phase II Horizon trial

- 125 RRMM pts. Median 5 (2-12) prior lines; 38% patients had high-risk cytogenetics; 88% double refr ; **71% triple refractory (PI + IMiD + anti-CD38)**

**ORR 29% .**

**PFS: 4.2 mos. OS: 11.6 mos**

G3/4AEs: Neutropenia (66%), Thromboc. (69%), Anemia: (37%)

*Mateos. ASH 2019. Abstr 1883. Richardson. EHA 2020. Abstr S1605.*

**Anchor Trial...ORR for (Melf-Dex) + Dara: 70%; PFS: 11.5 mos.....+ Btz: 60%**

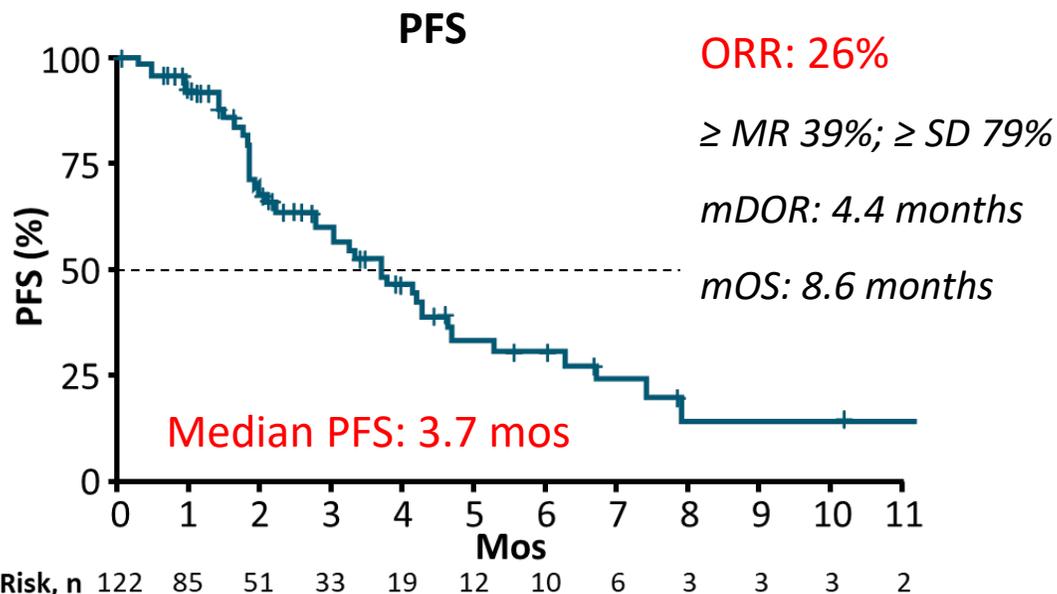
*Ocio. ASH 2020. Abstr 417.*

# Selinexor Combination in Relapsed/Refractory MM

- *Exportin 1 (XPO1) is the major nuclear export protein for Tumor suppressor proteins (TSPs, e.g., p53, IκB and FOXO). XPO1 is overexpressed in MM*
- *Selinexor is an oral selective XPO1 inhibitor*

## Phase IIb STORM Trial: Selinexor + Dex (N = 122)<sup>1</sup>

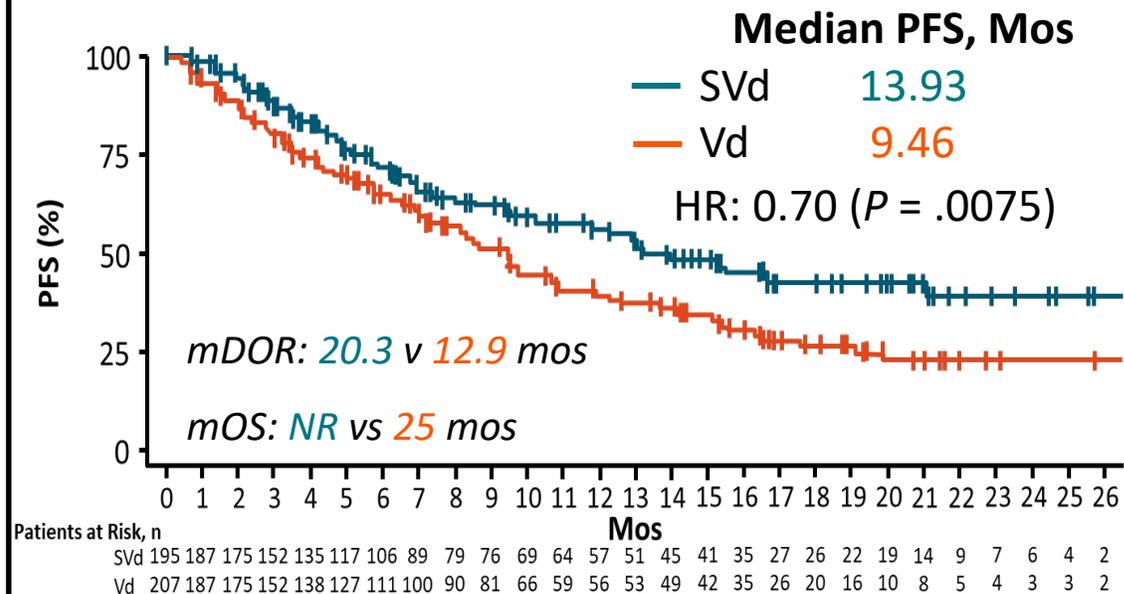
- 7 median prior lines of therapy (range: 3-18)
- 96% refractory to Btz, Len, carf, pom, dara



**AEs:** thrombocytopenia (73%, 58% G3-4), anemia (67%, 44% G3-4), fatigue (73%; 25% G3-4); GI: nausea (72%, 10% G3/4), anorexia (56%; 5% G3/4), weight loss (50%; 1% G3/4)

## Phase III BOSTON Trial: Selinexor + Vd (N = 402)<sup>2</sup>

- 1-3 prior lines of therapy (median: 2; 19% had 3 lines)
- 76% exposed to prior PI, 38% prior len



ORR: 76% vs 62% (28% VGPR (17% sCR/CR))

PN G ≥ 2: 21% vs 34%, p=0.001

**Seli-Pd (STOMP): 52 Pts: 58% ORR; 12m PFS.** Chen. ASH 2020. Abs 726.

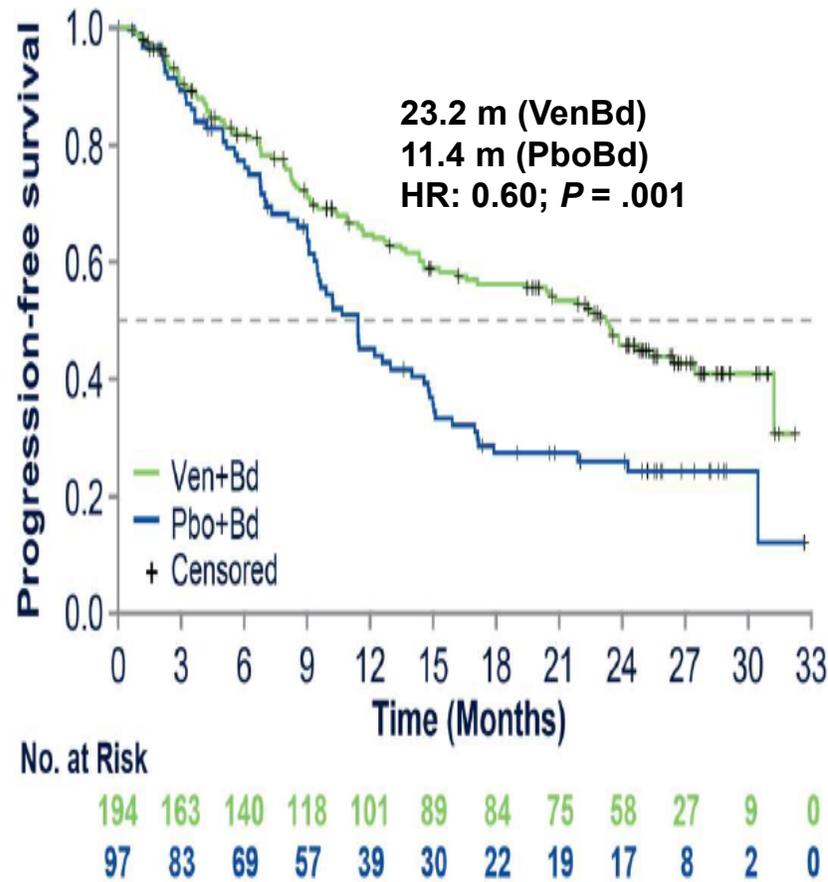
1. Chari. NEJM. 2019;381:727. 2. Grosicki. Lancet. 2020;396:1563.

# VENETOCLAX+ BortDex vs BortDex ( 291 patients, 2:1 random) BELLINI Study

Venetoclax is a small molecule BCL-2 inhibitor<sup>1</sup>; induces cell death in MM cell, particularly t(11;14) & high *BCL2*...*ORR*: 21%...60%

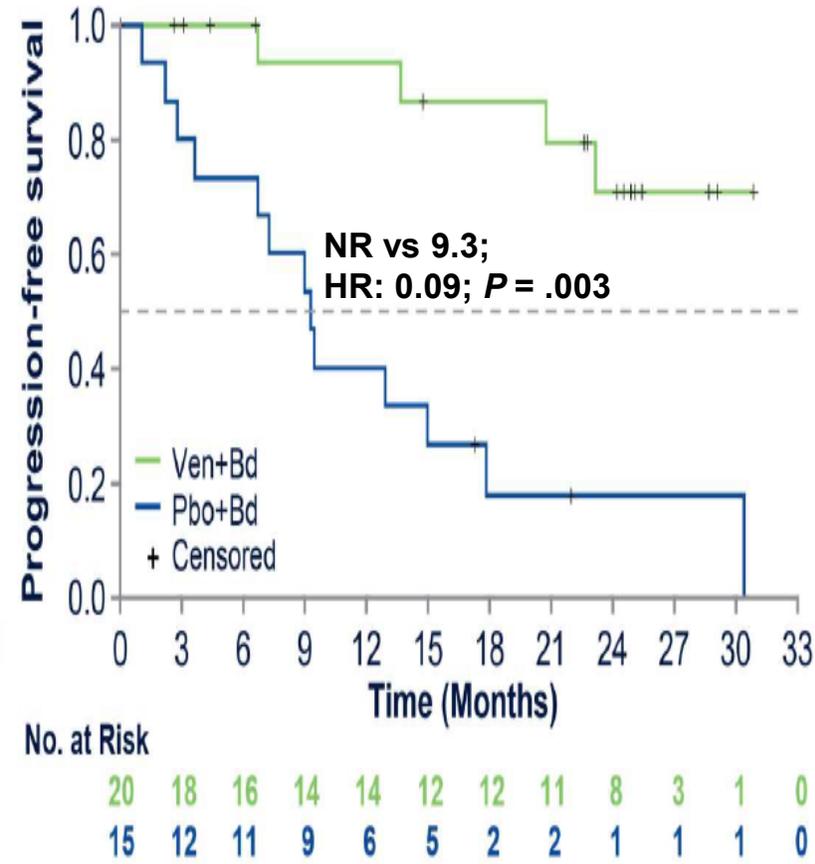
## PFS in all patients

### Investigator-Assessed PFS



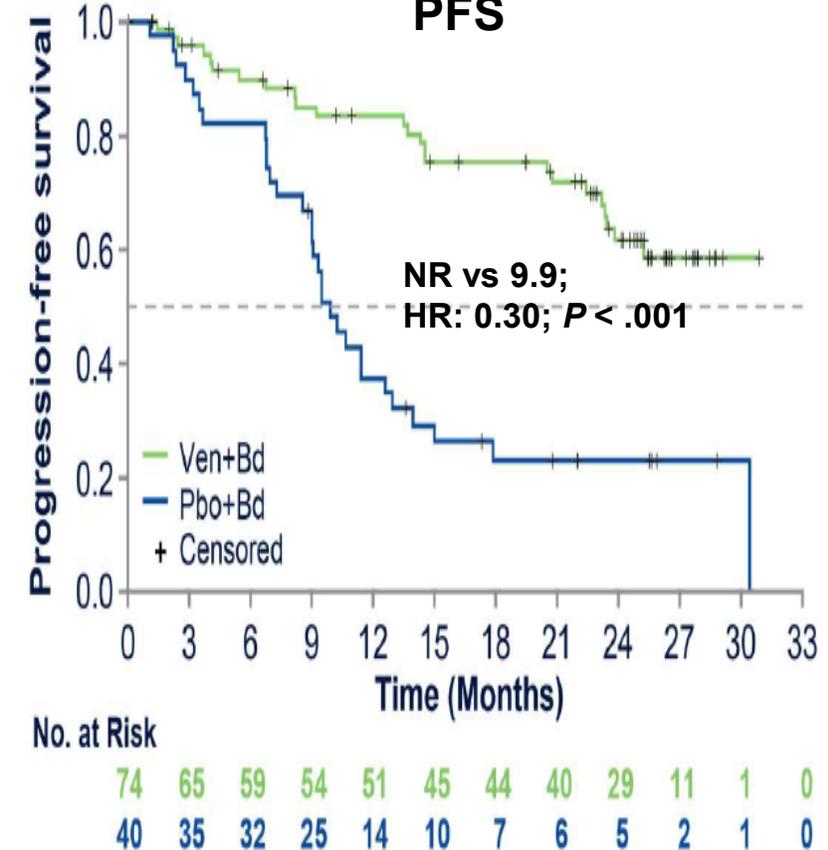
## PFS in patients with t(11;14)

### PFS



## PFS by t(11;14) and BCL2 status

### t(11;14) or *BCL2*<sup>high</sup> PFS



Venetoclax: 800mg QD; BtDex: C1-8 /21d...C9/35d ....until progression

Harrison. ASH 2019. Abstr 142.

# Belantamab Mafodotin (DREAMM-2 Study) in Refractory MM

- **Belantamab mafodotin (GSK2857916):** humanized, afucosylated, IgG1 BCMA-targeted ADC that neutralizes soluble BCMA

N = 196 after ≥ 3 prior lines of therapy; refractory or intolerant to IMiDs, PIs, and CD38 antibodies

Median 7 (3-21) prior lines in 2.5 mg/kg cohort and 6 (3-21) in 3.4 mg/kg cohort

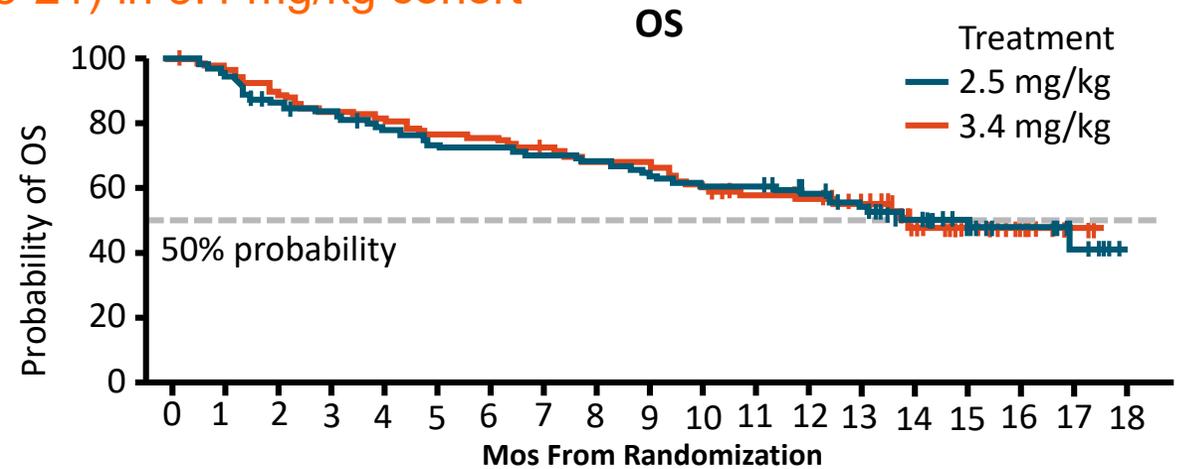
**ORR: 32-35%** (by dose)

18% VGPR, 5% CR or sCR at 3.4 mg/kg

≥ MR 40%; ≥ SD 57% at 3.4 mg/kg

Median DOR: 6.2 months

Main AEs: Corneal events: 72% to 77%; Thrombocytopenia: 36% to 57%; Infusion-related reaction: 16% to 21%



Median, Mos (95% CI)	Bela maf 2.5 mg/kg (n = 97)	Bela maf 3.4 mg/kg (n = 99)
OS	14.9 (9.9-NR)	14.0 (10.0-NR)
PFS	2.8 (1.6-3.6)	3.9 (2.0-5.8)

Lonial. ASCO 2020. Abstr 8536.

DREAMM-6: Bela Maf + Vd (ORR: 78%) Nooka. ASCO 2020. Abstr 8502.

DREAMM-7: Bela Maf + Vd vs DaraVd NCT04246047

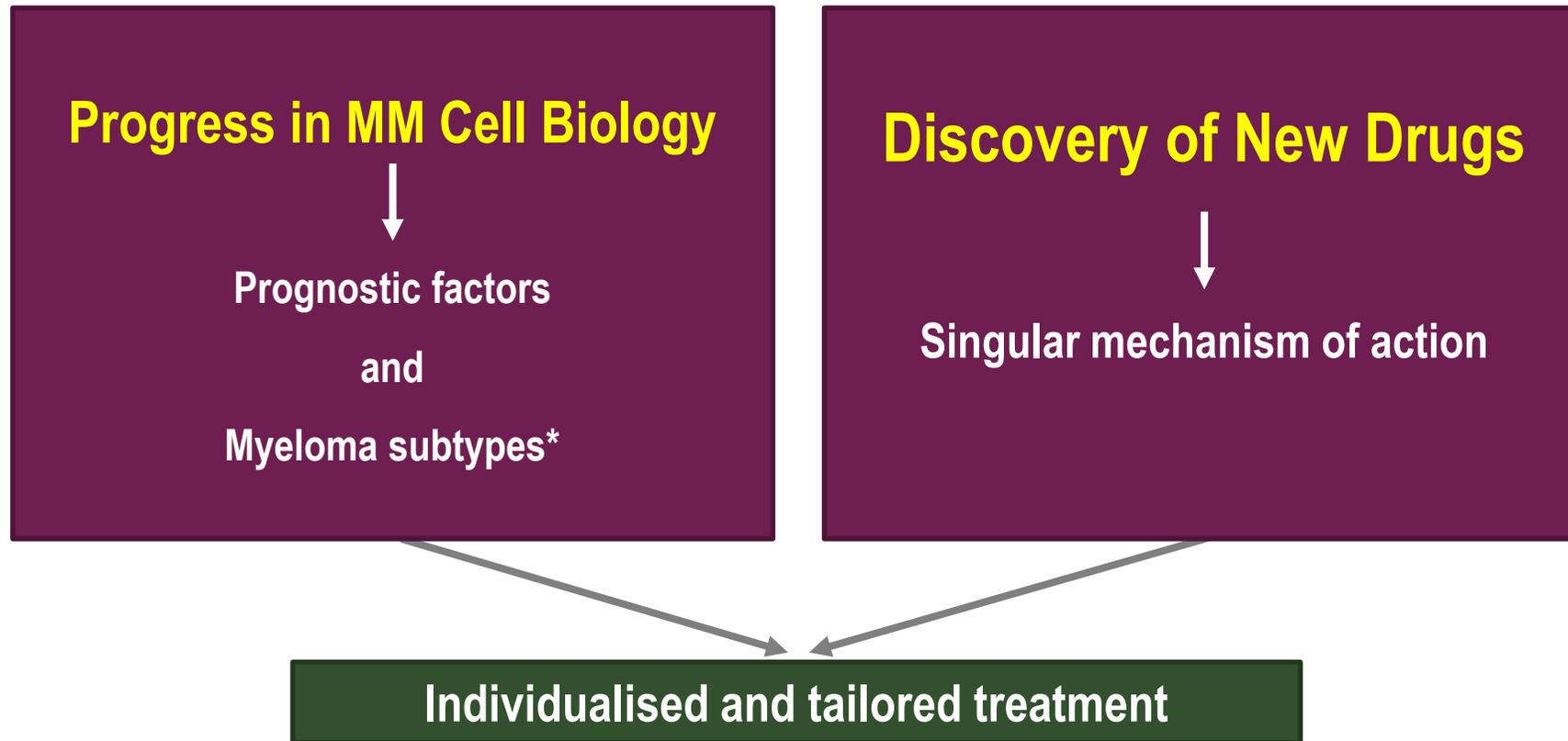
DREAMM-5: Bela Maf Combinations NCT04126200

DREAMM-9: Bela Maf + SoC in ND MM NCT04091126

DREAMM-8: Bela Maf + Pd NCT04484623 29 Pts ( penta Ref)....86% ORR (Trudel. ASH 2020. Abs 725)

# MULTIPLE MYELOMA

A model for scientific and clinical progress from biology to therapeutics



\*MM should not be considered a single entity.

Now, let's return to our patient case



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# Panel Discussion: Managing patients with relapsed disease after $\geq 1$ line of therapy

