Trattamento del Mieloma Multiplo nel paziente non candidabile al trapianto: dalla prima linea alla recidiva

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Goals of therapy in elderly patients

- Rapid symptom control
- > Optimal quality of life
- Few and acceptable side effects
- Best possible quality of response
- ➤ Long PFS
- > Long OS
- ➤ Cure?

Characteristics of the Elderly Patient

Chronological age does not necessarily correlate with biological age

All three individuals are 70 years old







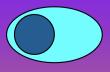
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Minor morbidity

significant morbidity

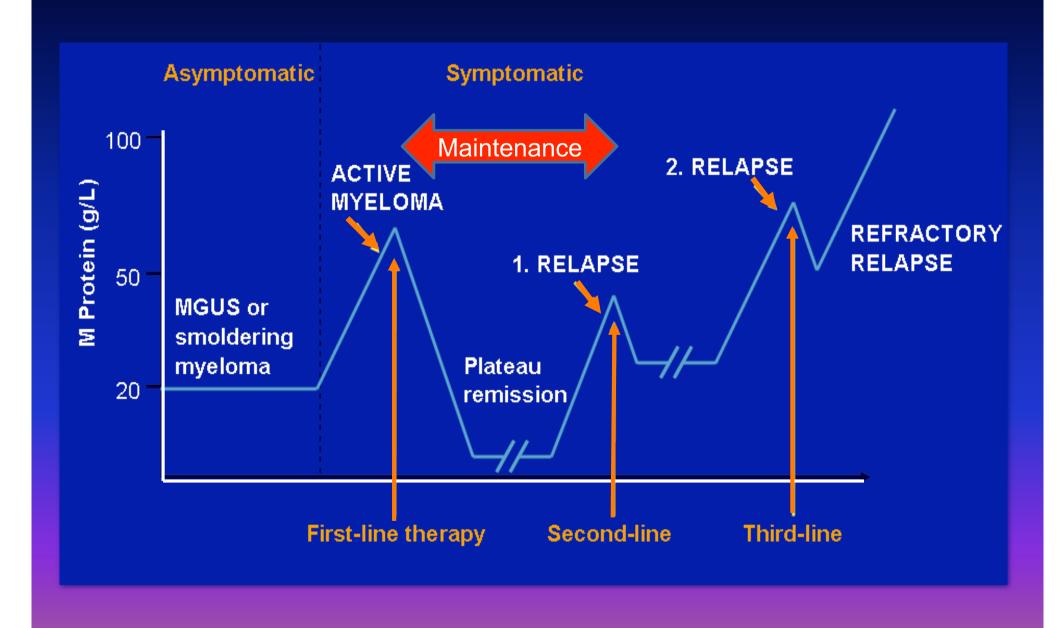
The variation in biological fitness in a specific age cohort increases with rising age, but the ,biology of myeloma cells does not vary with age







The natural course of multiple myeloma



Drug combinations for elderly patients

Possible options

1-drug*	2 - drugs	3- drugs	4 - drugs
Dex	Bendamustine+P	MPT	VMPT
Thal	VD	VMP	
	MP*	CTD	
	Thal-Dex	VTD	
	Len-Dex	VRD	

^{*}only exceptional cases

Most commonly used combinations contain 2-3 drugs

1L Therapy for MM NO ASCT elderly pts in Italy

VMP

è indicato per il trattamento di pazienti adulti con mieloma multiplo precedentemente non trattato non eleggibili a chemioterapia ad alte dosi con trapianto di cellule staminali ematopoietiche.

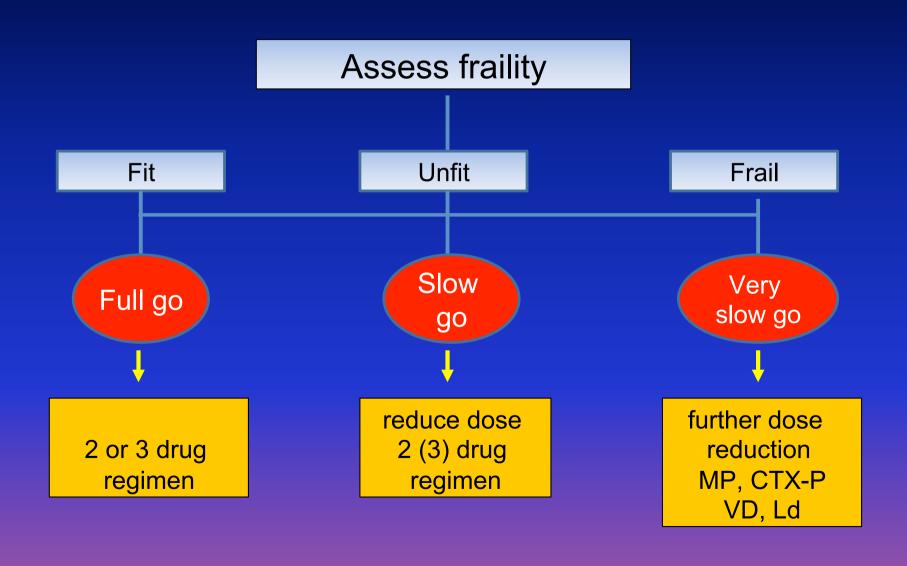
MPT

è indicato per il trattamento di prima linea di pazienti con mieloma multiplo non trattato di età ≥ 65 anni o non idonei a chemioterapia a dosi elevate.

Rd

è indicato per il trattamento di pazienti adulti con mieloma multiplo non precedentemente trattato che non sono eleggibili al trapianto

Treatment of patients with multiple myeloma not eligible for transplantation



Instruments for assessing fraility and allocation to treatment groups

Assess

Age
ADL
IADL
Charlson
comorbidity
score

Fit	Unfit	Frail	
Age <80 yr	Fit >80 yr	Unfit >80 yr	
ADL 6	ADL 5	ADL ≤4	
IADL 8	IADL 6-7	IADL ≤5	
Charlson 0	Charlson 1	Charlson ≥2	
Full-dose regimens	Reduced-dose	Reduced-dose	
Dose level 0	regimens	Palliative approach	
	Dose level -1	Dose level -2	

Adaptation of dose according to risk factors

Agent	Dose level 0	Dose level-1	Dose level - 2
Dexamethasone	40 mg	20 mg	10 mg
Melphalan	0.25 mg/kg or 9 mg/m ²	0.18 mg/kg or 7.5 mg/ m ²	0.13 mg/kg or 5 mg/ m ²
Thalidomide	100 mg	50 mg	50 mg/qod
Lenalidomide	25 mg	15 mg	10 mg
Bortezomib	1.3 mg twice weekly, sc	1.3 mg weekly, sc	1.0 mg weekly, sc
Prednisone	60 mg/m ²	30 mg/m ²	15 mg/m ²
Cyclophosphamide	100 mg	50 mg	50 mg/qod

Comorbidities relevant for treatment selection in myeloma

Polyneuropathy	Avoid bortezomib (or use once weekly sc)
Renal impairment	Consider dose adaptations when using lenalidomide
Bone marrow insufficiency	Careful dosing of cytoreductive drugs, consider single agent dexamethasone
Cardiac arrhythmias/ dysfunction	Cave: Thalidomide & high dose dexamethasone
Immune system	Careful dosing of cytoreductive drugs
Diabetes	Cave: high dose dexamethasone
Cognitive function/compliance	Consider iv regimens

Higher risk of mortality in patients ≥ 75 years of age

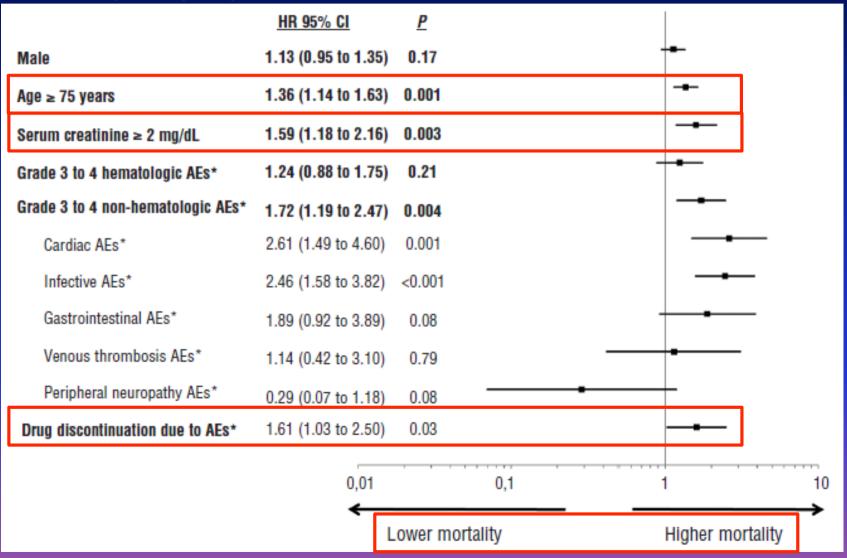
Retrospective meta-analysis of 4 EU phase III trials (N = 1,435) with MP, MPT, VMP, and VMPT

- Median follow up 33 months
- Median OS in total population 50 months
- Estimated 3-year OS 68% in patients < 75 years of age vs 57% in patients ≥ 75 years of age (HR 1.44, Cl 1.20-1.72, p < 0.001)

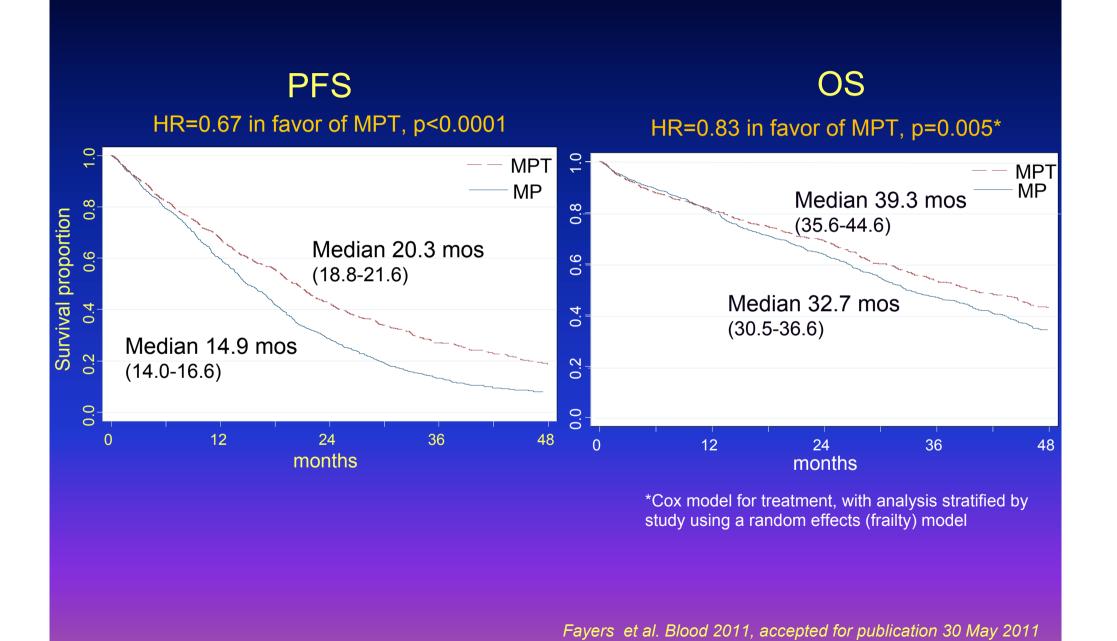
	HR (95% CI)	p value		
All	1.44 (1.20–0.72)	< 0.001		-0-
MP	1.21 (0.90–1.64)	0.21	-	
MPT	1.12 (0.81–1.56)	0.49	_	-
VMP	1.62 (1.04–2.52)	0.03		
VTP/VMPT	3.02 (1.86–4.90)	< 0.001		
	0.1 Higher mo	tality in patyeat	ients < 75 ars of age	10 Higher mortality in patients 2 75 years of age

Age and Organ Damage Correlate with Poor OS: Meta-analysis of 4 Randomized Trials

n=1435 (≥ 65 yrs): MPT vs MP, VMP vs MP, VMP vs VMPT-VT



MPT vs MP: Meta-analysis of 1685 individual-patient data of 6 randomized trials



MPT: Pros and Cons

Pros

- Survival benefit
- Oral regimen
- Not expensive

Cons

- Thalidomide toxicity
- Suboptimal in cytogenetic high risk group
- Shorter survival after relapse

VISTA:VELCADE as Initial Standard Therapy in multiple myeloma: Assessment with melphalan and prednisone

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Bortezomib plus Melphalan and Prednisone for Initial Treatment of Multiple Myeloma

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R A N D O M I Z E

VMP (N=344)

Cycles 1-4

Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m² IV: d 1,4,8,11,22,25,29,32 Melphalan 9 mg/m² po and prednisone 60 mg/m² po: d 1–4

Cycles 5-9

Bortezomib 1.3 mg/m² IV: d 1,8,22,29 Melphalan 9 mg/m² po and prednisone 60 mg/m² po: d 1–4

9 x 6-week cycles (54 weeks) in both arms

MP (N=338)

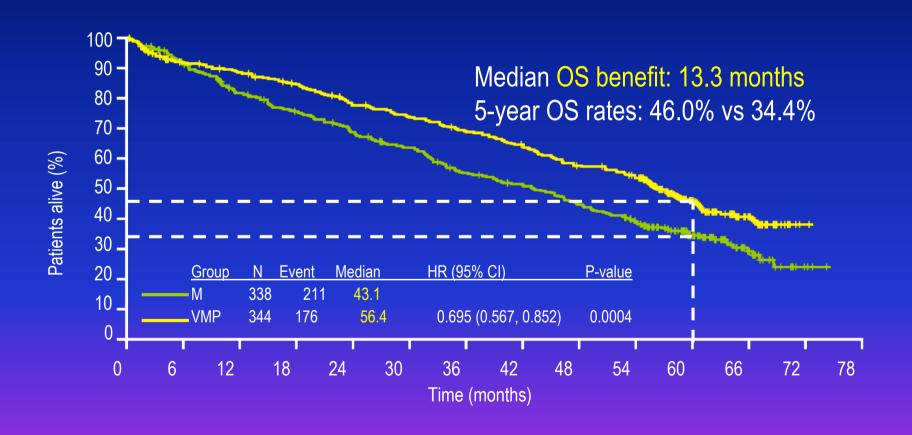
Cycles 1-9

Melphalan 9 mg/m² po and prednisone 60 mg/m² po: d 1–4

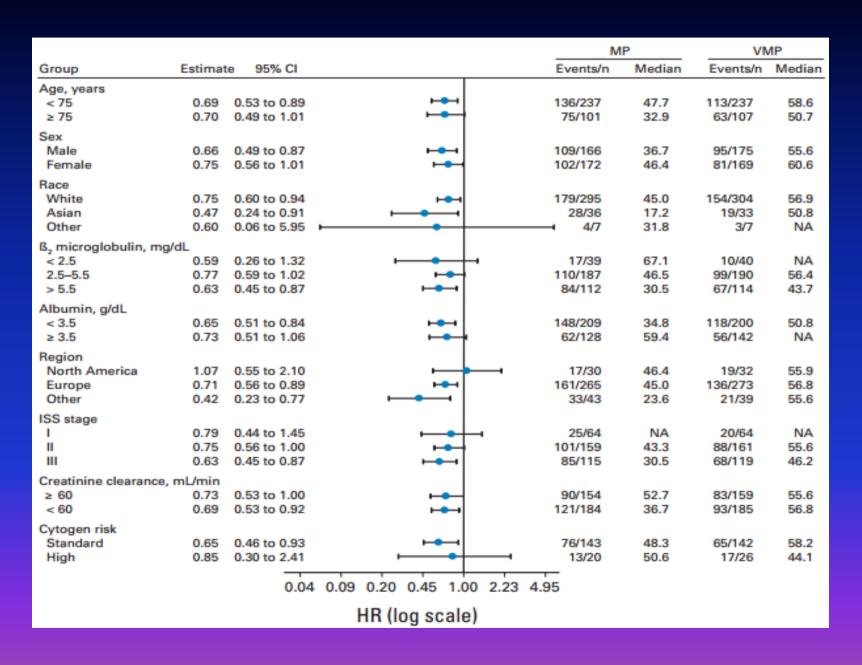
- Primary end point: TTP
- Secondary end points: CR rate, ORR, time to response, DOR, time to next therapy, OS, PFS, QoL

MP vs. VMP (VISTA) Final updated OS analysis

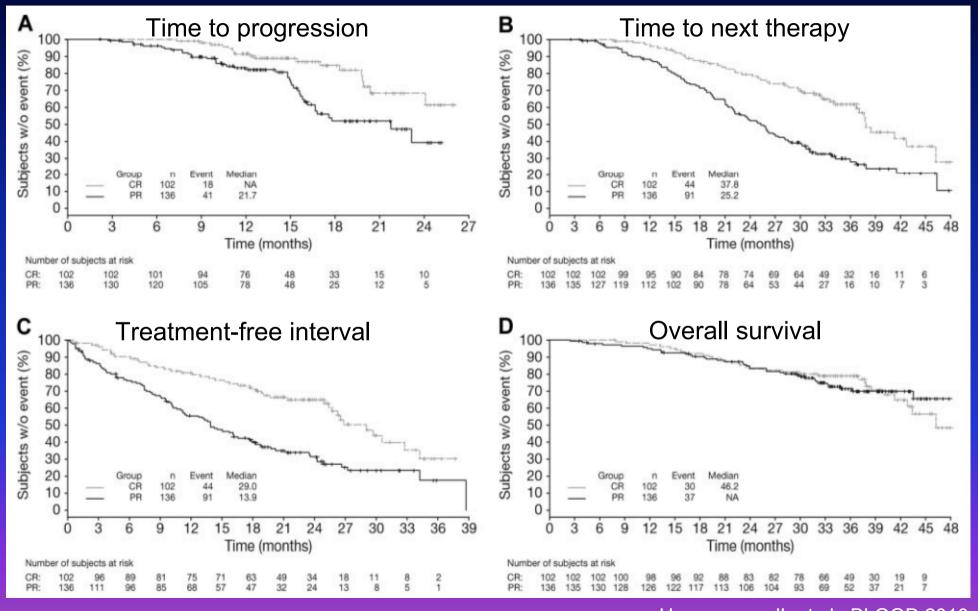
Median follow-up 60.1 months •31% reduced risk of death



Overall survival in different subgroups: VMP vs. MP



VMP induced CR is associated with improved outcome



VISTA EA

Events	Bortezomib Group (N= 340)			Control Group (N = 337)		
	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total	Grade 3	Grade
			number of patie	nts (percent)		
Any event	338 (99)	181 (53)	96 (28)	326 (97)	148 (44)	92 (27
Hematologic events†						
Thrombocytopenia	178 (52)	68 (20)	58 (17)	159 (47)	55 (16)	47 (14
Neutropenia	165 (49)	102 (30)	34 (10)	155 (46)	79 (23)	49 (15
Anemia	147 (43)	53 (16)	9 (3)	187 (55)	66 (20)	26 (8)
Leukopenia	113 (33)	67 (20)	10 (3)	100 (30)	55 (16)	13 (4)
Lymphopenia	83 (24)	49 (14)	18 (5)	58 (17)	30 (9)	7 (2)
Gastrointestinal events						
Nausea	164 (48)	14 (4)	0	94 (28)	1 (<1)	0
Diarrhea	157 (46)	23 (7)	2 (1)	58 (17)	2 (1)	0
Constipation	125 (37)	2 (1)	0	54 (16)	0	0
Vomiting	112 (33)	14 (4)	0	55 (16)	2 (1)	0
nfections						
Pneumonia	56 (16)	16 (5)	6 (2)	36 (11)	13 (4)	4 (1)
Herpes zoster	45 (13)	11 (3)	0	14 (4)	6 (2)	0
Nervous system disorders						
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	151 (44)	43 (13)	1 (<1)	16 (5)	0	0
Neuralgia	121 (36)	28 (8)	2 (1)	5 (1)	1 (<1)	0
Dizziness	56 (16)	7 (2)	0	37 (11)	1 (<1)	0
Other conditions						
Pyrexia	99 (29)	8 (2)	2 (1)	64 (19)	6 (2)	2 (1)
Fatigue	98 (29)	23 (7)	2 (1)	86 (26)	7 (2)	0
Anorexia	77 (23)	9 (3)	1 (<1)	34 (10)	4 (1)	0
Asthenia	73 (21)	20 (6)	1 (<1)	60 (18)	9 (3)	0
Cough	71 (21)	0	0	45 (13)	2 (1)	0
Insomnia	69 (20)	1 (<1)	0	43 (13)	0	0
Peripheral edema	68 (20)	2 (1)	0	34 (10)	0	0
Rash	66 (19)	2 (1)	0	24 (7)	1 (<1)	0
Back pain	58 (17)	9 (3)	1 (<1)	62 (18)	11 (3)	1 (<1
Dyspnea	50 (15)	11 (3)	2 (1)	44 (13)	5 (1)	3 (1)
Hypokalemia	44 (13)	19 (6)	3 (1)	25 (7)	8 (2)	2 (1)
Arthralgia	36 (11)	4 (1)	0	50 (15)	2 (1)	1 (<1
Deep-vein thrombosis	4(1)	3 (1)	0	6 (2)	2 (1)	0

How to reduce toxicity of Bortezomib and and maintain efficacy?

- Bortezomib once weekly
 - longer duration of therapy
 - similar cumulative dose
 - similar efficacy
 - ☐ less toxicty (G3/4 neurotoxicity)
- Bortezomib subcutaneously
 - 10 times lower serum peak concentration
 - similar area under the curve
 - less neurotoxicity
 - similar efficacy

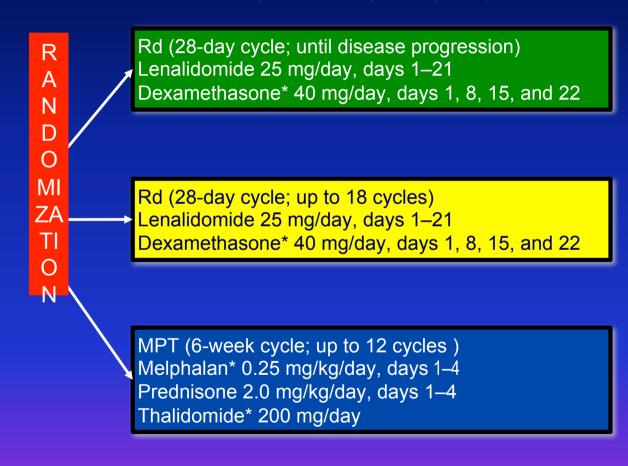
FIRST: Phase 3 trial of Lenalidomide + low-dose Dex vs MPT (IFM 07-01; MM-020)

Centres in EU, Switzerland, APAC, USA, and Canada

Inclusion criteria N = 1,623

- Previously untreatedMM
- •Age > 65 years or not eligible for a transplant
- •No neuropathy of grade > 2

Primary end-point: PFS

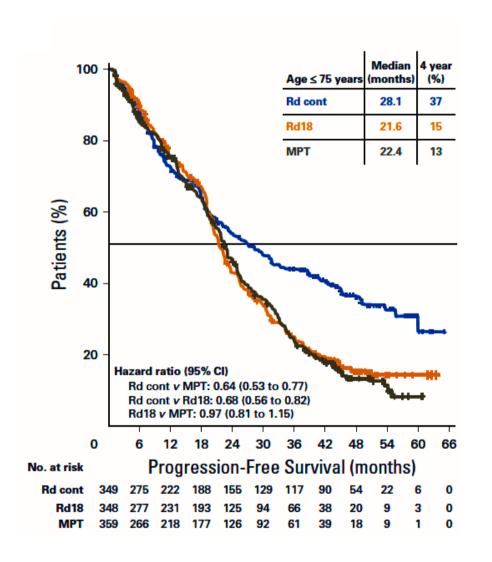


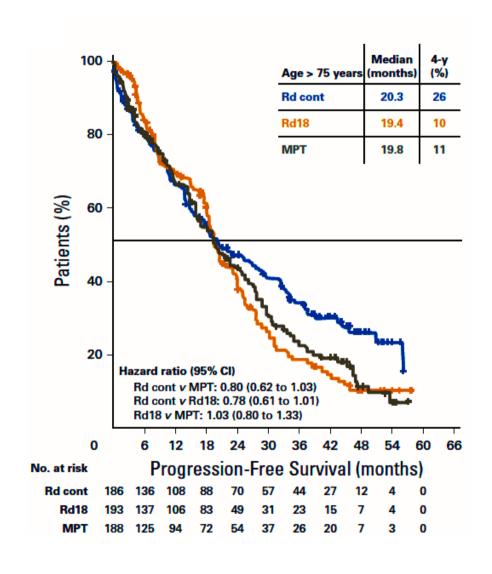




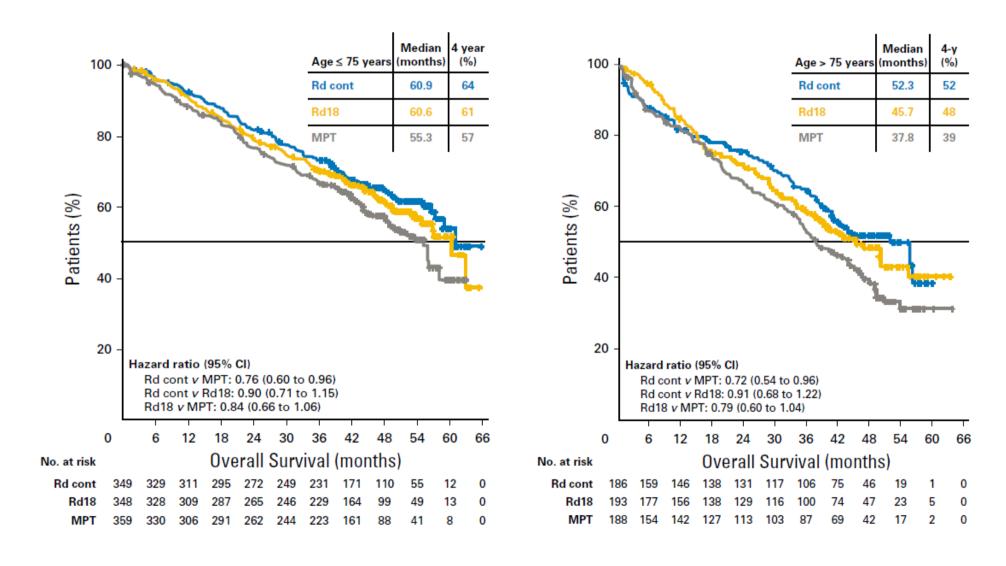
*In patients aged > 75 years: Dex 20 mg/day, melphalan 0.20 mg/kg/day, thalidomide 100 mg/day

PFS by age: median follow up 45,5 months





OS by age: median follow up 45,5 months



Toxicities

	No. (%)					
	Α	age ≤ 75 Years		Α	ge > 75 Years	
TEAE or SPM	Rd Continuous (n = 347)	Rd18 (n = 348)	MPT (n = 357)	Rd Continuous (n = 185)	Rd18 (n = 192)	MPT (n = 184)
Grade 3 to 4 hematologic TEAEs*						
Neutropenia	98 (28)	87 (25)	169 (47)	53 (29)	56 (29)	74 (40)
Anemia	63 (18)	41 (12)	70 (20)	36 (19)	44 (23)	32 (17)
Thrombocytopenia	28 (8)	30 (9)	47 (13)	17 (9)	13 (7)	13 (7)
Leukopenia	17 (5)	21 (6)	39 (11)	7 (4)	9 (5)	14 (8)
Grade 3 to 4 nonhematologic TEAEs*						
Infection	105 (30)	73 (21)	57 (16)	54 (29)	45 (23)	36 (20)
Cardiac disorder	41 (12)	22 (6)	22 (6)	22 (12)	17 (9)	24 (13)
Fatigue	23 (7)	27 (8)	17 (5)	17 (9)	19 (10)	14 (8)
Back pain	21 (6)	26 (7)	18 (5)	18 (10)	8 (4)	10 (5)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	5 (1)	2 (1)	36 (10)	1 (1)	0 (0)	15 (8)
TEAEs of special interest						
Cataract	27 (8)	11 (3)	1 (< 1)	6 (3)	3 (2)	2 (1)
DVT	23 (7)	11 (3)	10 (3)	6 (3)	9 (5)	4 (2)
PE	13 (4)	10 (3)	17 (5)	7 (4)	6 (3)	3 (2)
SPM						
Invasive SPM	13 (4)	19 (6)	22 (6)	8 (4)	14 (7)	8 (4)
Hematologic malignancy	2 (1)	2 (1)	9 (3)	1 (1)	0	3 (2)
Solid tumor	11 (3)	18 (5)	13 (4)	7 (4)	14 (7)	5 (3)
Noninvasive SPM (NMSC)	17 (5)	13 (4)	15 (4)	10 (5)	7 (4)	11 (6)

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Riepilogo studi prima linea pazienti No-ASCT

	VISTA (VMP arm) San Miguel	VMP (ow) Palumbo	FIRST (Continuous Rd) Facon	VMPT-VT Palumbo	VMP-VT Mateos
CR	30%	24%	15.1%	38%	42%
PFS	21.7m	24.8m	26m	35.3m	37m
os	Median: 56.4m	Median: 60.6m	Median: 59m	Median: NR	Median: 63m
	5-year OS: 46.0%	5-year OS: 51%	4-yearOS: 59%	5-year OS: 61%	5-year OS: 69%

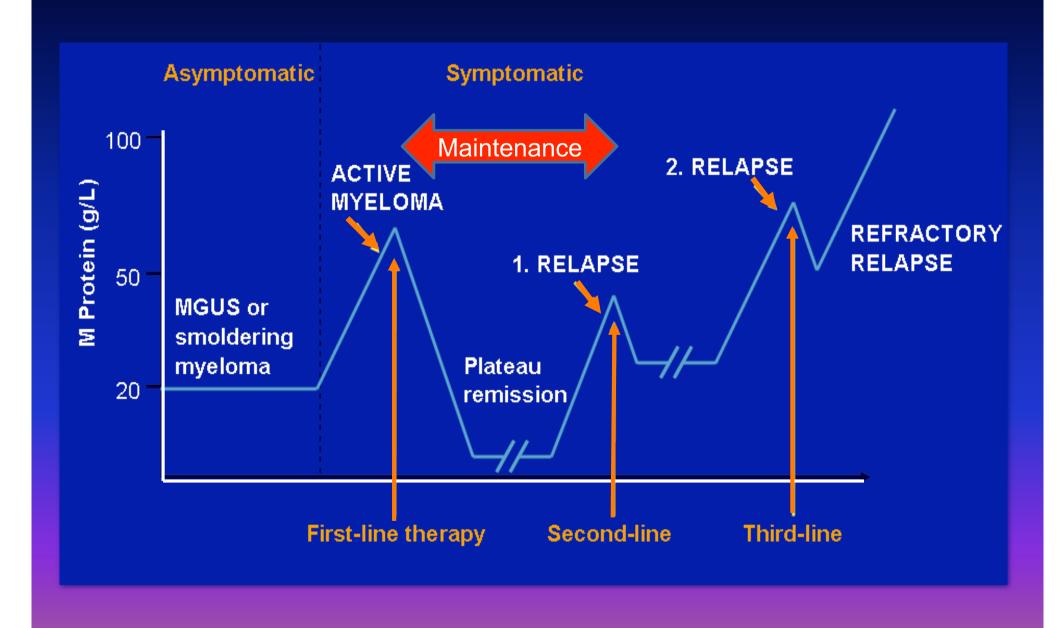
N. Cicli definiti

Trattamento continuo

Maintenance studies - summary

Thalidomide	PFS no improvement in OS ↑ Reduced OS after relapse Negative impact on high risk pts
Clinical practice recommendations	50 mg for ≈ 12 mos may be considered
Lenalidomide	PFS -no improvement in OS -increased risk for SPM
Bortezomib-thalidomide	Tendency for PFS and OS but not significant superior over VP

The natural course of multiple myeloma



Treatment of relapsed/refractory MM General considerations

Components of initial therapy

- Alkylating-based
- Dexamethasone-based
- IMiD-based
- Bortezomib-based

Efficacy of initial therapy

- Quality of response
- Tolerance of tretament
- Duration of respose

Patient status and type of relapse

- Age, performance status, glucose metabolism
- Aggressive vs non-aggressive relapse
- Bone marrow reserve
- Renal function impairment
- Pre-existing peripheral neuropathy
- Oral vs. iv therapy

Treatment of Relapsed/Refractory Myeloma Frontline Therapy successful? Yes No Yes No Bortezomib based frontline TX: IMiD based frontline TX **Pomalidomide** IMiD-based Old Type **Bort-based** MP TD VD **MPT** DCEP **VMP CTD** M-100 + **VTD** Ludwig et al. **ASCT** Rd The Oncologist (MPR) 2011

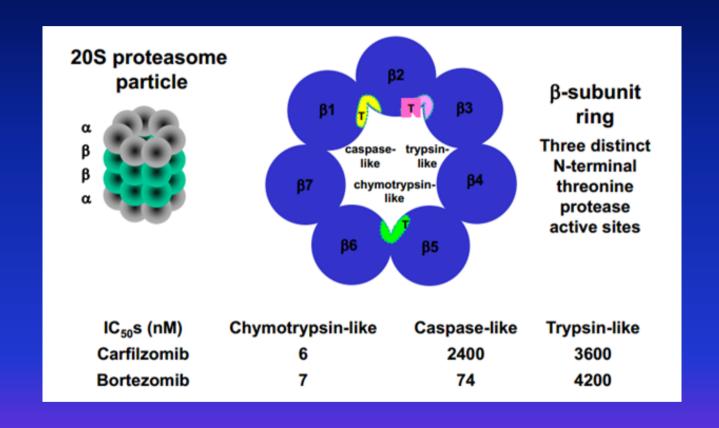
Retreatment with bortezomib: a meta-analysis including 23 studies

- 23 trials, 1051 patients
- Patients refractory or not refractory to bortezomib
 - 11 studies including bortezomib-refractory pts
 - 6 studies excluding bortezomib-refractory pts
 - 6 studies missing information on bortezomib-refractory pts
- Combinations
 - Bortezomib ± Dex: 4 studies
 - Bortezomib + combination therapy: 19 studies

Results of meta-analysis of retreatement with bortezomib in different risk groups

Variable	ORR	TTP (months)	OS (months)
Relapsed	57%	8.5	19.7
Relapsed/>refractory	19%	5.9	20.4
≤ 4 prior TX lines	43%	8.2	20.0
> 4 prior TX lines	29%	7.1	13.3
Boz + Dex	51%	7.9	19.2
Combination	36%	7.1	16.2
Pooled analysis	51%	8.4	19.2

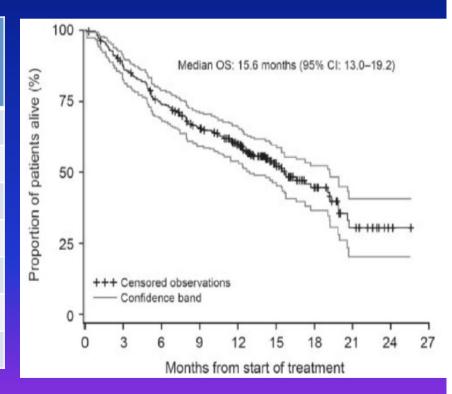
Carfilzomib a second generation proteasome inhibitor



Single agent Carfilzomib in relapsed/refractory patients

Progressive disease at enrollment, Relapsed from > 2 prior TX lines, Must include bortezomib Must include thalidomide or lenalidomide, Refractory to last line

Response category	All patients (n=267)	High risk cytogenetics (n=71)
CR	0.4%	0
VGPR	5.1%	4.2%
PR	18.3%	25.4%
MR	13.2%	4.2%
ORR	37%	29.5%
PFS(median)	3.7 mos	3.6 mos
DOR (median)	7.8 mos	6.9 mos



Carfilzomib KRd - Relapse

ASPIRE Study Design

28-day cycles

Randomization N=792

Stratification:

- β2 microglobulin
- Prior bortezomib
- Prior lenalidomide

KRd

Carfilzomib 27 mg/m² IV (10 min)

Days 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16 (20 mg/m² Days 1, 2, cycle 1 only)

Lenalidomide 25 mg *Days 1–21*Dexamethasone 40 mg *Days 1, 8, 15, 22*

After cycle 12, carfilzomib given on Days 1, 2, 15, 16
After cycle 18, carfilzomib discontinued

Rd

Lenalidomide 25 mg *Days 1–21*Dexamethasone 40 mg *Days 1, 8, 15, 22*

LEN NAÏVE OR LEN SENSITIVE

In both groups Rd beyond cycle 18 until disease progression

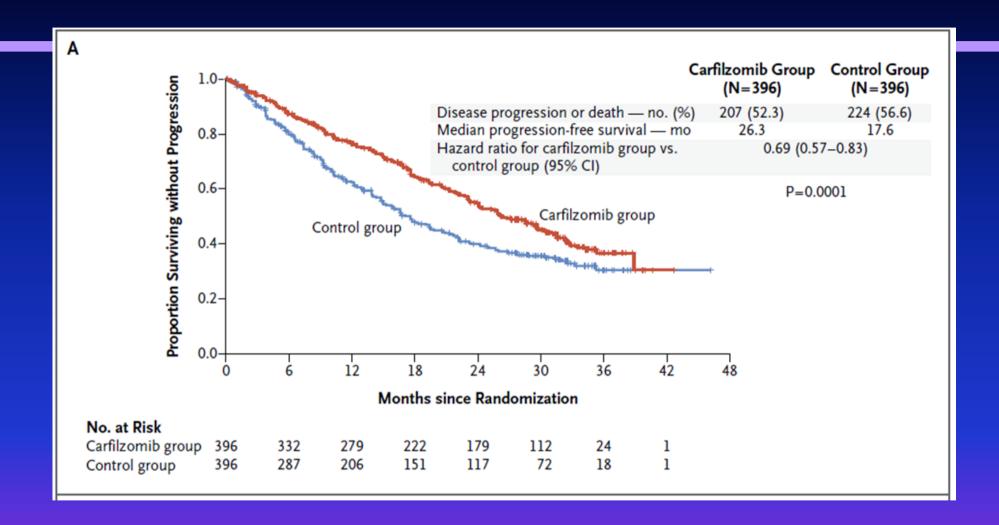
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Patient and Disease Characteristics at Baseline ITT Population (N=792)

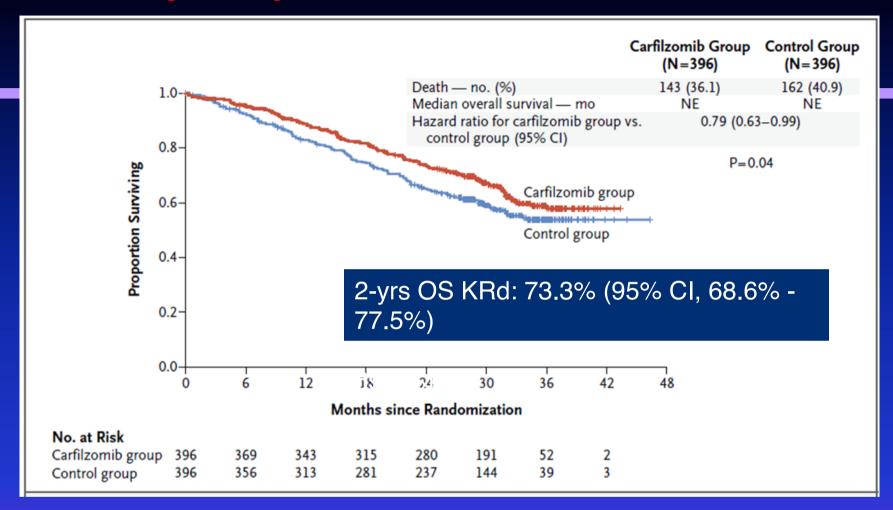
Characteristic	KRd (n=396)	Rd (n=396)
Presence of neuropathy at baseline, %	36.4	34.6
Number of prior regimens, median (range)	2 (1–3)	2 (1–3)
Prior therapies, %		
Transplant	54.8	57.8
Bortezomib	65.9	65.7
Non-responsive to prior bortezomib*	15.2	14.6
Lenalidomide	19.9	19.7
Any IMiD	58.8	57.8
Refractory to prior IMiD in any prior regimen	21.5	22.2
Bortezomib and IMiD	36.9	35.1
Non-responsive to prior bortezomib* and refractory to prior IMiD	6.1	6.8

^{*}Non-responsive is defined as less-than-minimal response to any bortezomib-containing regimen, disease progression during any bortezomib-containing regimen, or disease progression within 60 days after the completion of any bortezomib-containing

Primary Endpoint: PFS



Secondary Endpoint: OS



- ❖ Primary objective met → Interim analysis of OS conducted
- ❖ As of June 16, 2014, a total of 305 deaths (60% of the prespecified 510 events required for final analysis)
- **❖** Median follow-up was 32.3 months in KRd and 31.5 months in Rd.

Secondary Endpoint: Safety profile

	Carfilzomib Group		Control Group	
	(n=392)		(n=389)	
	All Grades	Grade 3 or Higher	All Grades	Grade 3 or Higher
Most common events, no. (%)			
Hematologic adverse event				
Anemia	167 (42.6)	70 (17.9)	155 (39.8)	67 (17.2)
Neutropenia	148 (37.8)	116 (29.6)	131 (33.7)	103 (26.5)
Thrombocytopenia	114 (29.1)	65 (16.6)	88 (22.6)	48 (12.3)
Nonhematologic adverse eve	nt			
Diarrhea	166 (42.3)	15 (3.8)	131 (33.7)	16 (4.1)
Fatigue	129 (32.9)	30 (7.7)	119 (30.6)	25 (6.4)
Cough	113 (28.8)	1 (0.3)	67 (17.2)	0
Pyrexia	112 (28.6)	7 (1.8)	81 (20.8)	2 (0.5)
Upper respiratory tract infection	112 (28.6)	7 (1.8)	75 (19.3)	4 (1.0)
Hypokalemia	108 (27.6)	37 (9.4)	52 (13.4)	19 (4.9)
Muscle spasms	104 (26.5)	4 (1.0)	82 (21.1)	3 (0.8)
Peripheral edema	85 (21.7)	5 (1.3)	75 (19.3)	2 (0.5)
Nasopharyngitis	84 (21.4)	1 (0.3)	63 (16.2)	0
Constipation	79 (20.2)	1 (0.3)	67 (17.2)	2 (0.5)

AE more frequently occurred in KRd group by at least 5% point

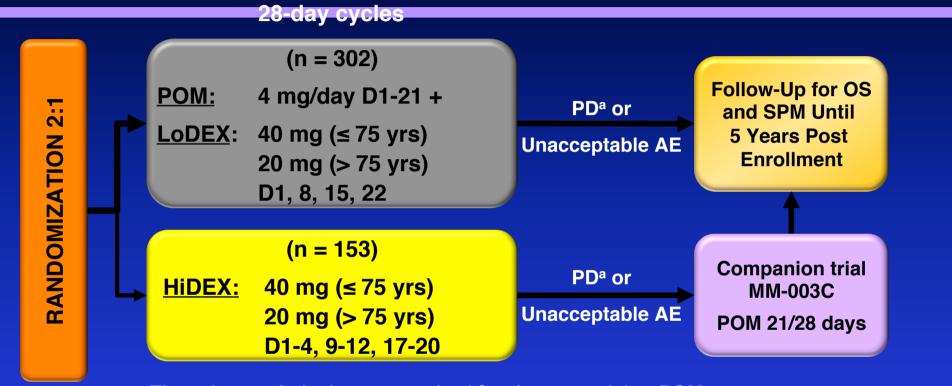
Back pain	67 (17.1)	5 (1.3)	78 (20.1)	8 (2.1)
Other adverse events of inter	est, n (%)			
Dyspnea	76 (19.4)	11 (2.8)	58 (14.9)	7 (1.8)
Peripheral neuropathy†	67 (17.1)	10 (2.6)	66 (17.0)	12 (3.1)
Hypertension	56 (14.3)	17 (4.3)	27 (6.9)	7 (1.8)
Acute renal failure‡	33 (8.4)	13 (3.3)	28 (7.2)	12 (3.1)
Elevated creatinine	26 (6.6)	4 (1.0)	18 (4.6)	1 (0.3)
Cardiac failure§	25 (6.4)	15 (3.8)	16 (4.1)	7 (1.8)
Deep vein thrombosis	26 (6.6)	7 (1.8)	15 (3.9)	4 (1.0)
Ischemic heart disease	23 (5.9)	13 (3.3)	18 (4.6)	8 (2.1)
Pulmonary embolism	14 (3.6)	12 (3.1)	9 (2.3)	9 (2.3)
Second primary malignancy¶	11 (2.8)	9 (2.3)	13 (3.3)	11 (2.8)

^{*} Adverse events are listed here if they were reported in at least 20% of patients in either treatment group. Other adverse events of particular clinical relevance are also listed. The safety population included all patients who received at least one dose of a study drug.

Pomalidomide With Low-Dose Dexamethasone Relapsed and Refractory Multiple Myeloma

- POM was effective in heavily pretreated patients who had already received LEN and bortezomib and who progressed on their last line of therapy
- The combination of POM with LoDEX improves the ORR due to synergy between immunomodulatory agents and glucocorticoids
 - POM + LoDEX, 34%; POM alone, 15%
- Response was durable with POM regardless of the addition of LoDEX
 - POM + LoDEX, 8.3 months; POM alone, 8.8 months
- POM is generally well tolerated, with low rates of discontinuations due to AEs
 - Age had no impact on ORR, DoR, or safety

MM-003 Design: POM + LoDEX vs. HiDEX



Thromboprophylaxis was required for those receiving POM or at high risk for DVT

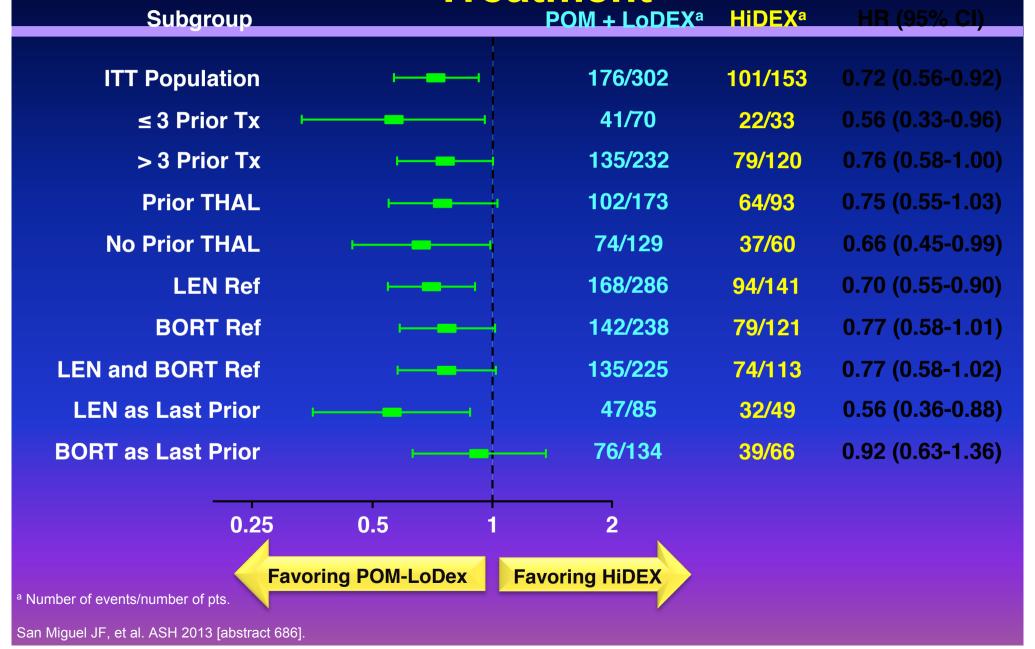
Stratification

- Age (≤ 75 vs. > 75 yrs)
- Number of prior Tx (2 vs. > 2)
- Disease population (primary refractory vs. relapsed/refractory vs. intolerance/failure)

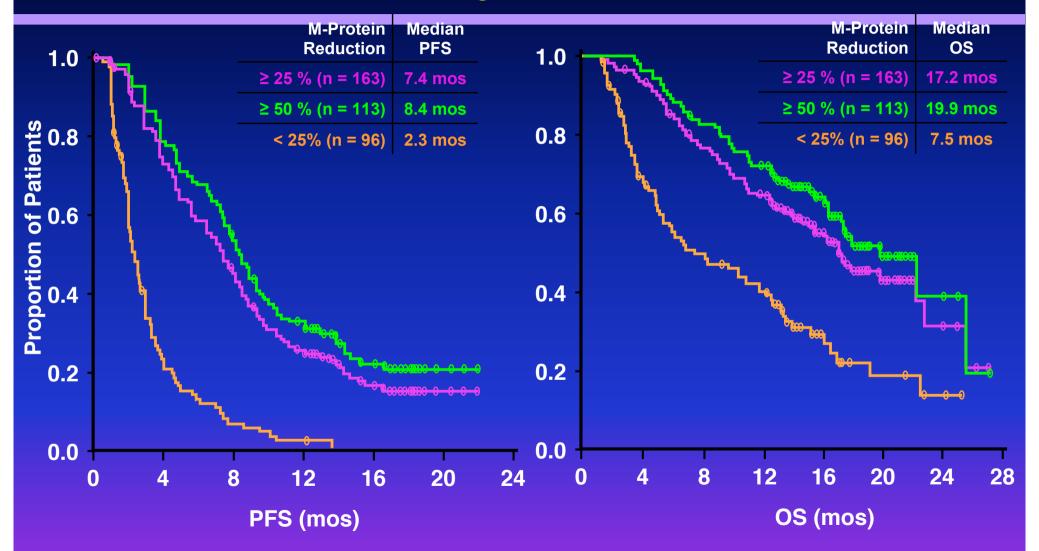
Dimopoulos MA, et al. ASH 2013 [abstract 408].

^a Progression of disease was independently adjudicated in real time.

Forest Plot of OS Based on Prior Treatment

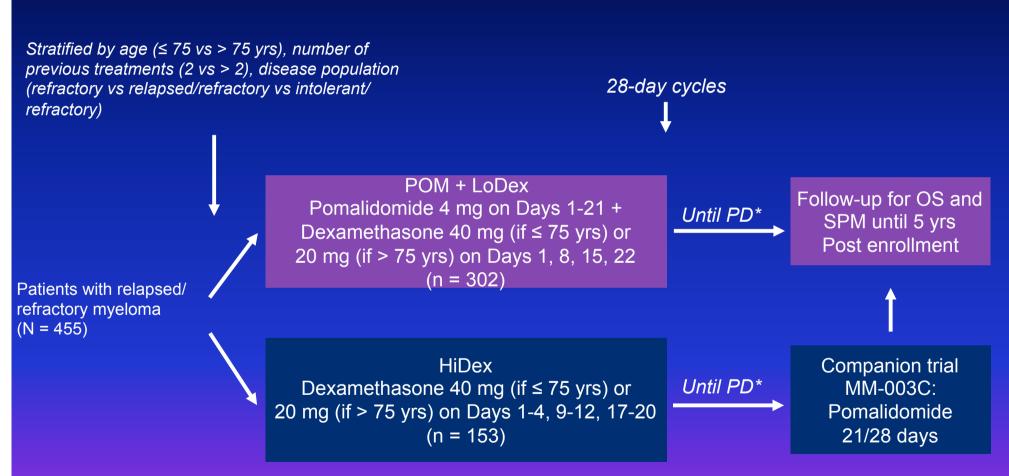


MM-003: PFS and OS by M-Protein Reduction Patients Assigned to POM + LoDEX



Median PFS was 4.0 mos and median OS was 13.1 mos overall for POM + LoDEX

Pomalidomide + LoDex vs HiDex (MM-003): Phase III Trial Design



- Primary endpoint: PFS
- Secondary endpoints: OS, ORR, DOR, safety

San Miguel JF, et al. ASCO 2013. Abstract 8510.

*Independently adjudicated in real time.
Thromboprophylaxis indicated for patients receiving pomalidomide or with history of DVT.

Pomalidomide + LoDex vs HiDex Adverse Events (MM-003)

AE, %	POM + LoDex (n = 300)	HiDex (n = 150)
Grade 3/4 hematologic AEs		
■ Neutropenia	48	16
■ Anemia	33	37
■ Thrombocytopenia	22	26
Grade 3/4 nonhematologic AEs		
■ Infections	30	24
– Pneumonia	13	8
■ Bone pain	7	5
■ Fatigue	5	6
■ Asthenia	4	6
Grade 3/4 AEs of interest		
■ DVT/PE	1	0
■ Peripheral neuropathy*	1	1
Discontinuation due to AEs	9	10

^{*}Includes hyperesthesia, peripheral sensory neuropathy, paraesthesia, hypoesthesia, and polyneuropathy.

New drugs in clinical evaluation

Agent	Mechanism of action
Panobinostat, Vorinostat, Givinostat, Romidepsin	HDAC inhibitor
Perifosine, GSK2110183	Akt inhibitor
Temsirolismus, Everolismus	mTOR inhibitor
Selumetinib	MEK/ERK inhibitor
Plitidepsin (aplidin)	Jun N-terminal Kinase (JNK) activator, anti-angiogenic activity
Dinaciclib	CDK inhibitor
MLN8237	Aurora kinase inhibitor
ARRY-520	Kinesin spindle protein (KSP) inhibitor
<u>Elotuzumab</u>	anti-CS1
<u>Daratumumab</u>	anti-CD38
BHQ880	anti-DKK1
BT062	anti-CD138
<u>Ixazomib</u>	New proteasome inhibitor

Recommendations for clinical practice

- Assess
 - comorbidities
 - degree of functional impairment
- Select most appropriate drug regimen
- Adapt dose if required
- Consider the increased risk of infections within first weeks/months of therapy
- Optimize supportive care
 - -Antibiotics, antivirals, growth factors, anti-thrombotics, bisphosphonates

The future looks bright for elderly myeloma patients



Thank you for your attention