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Introduction

- **Onco-hematologic therapies developed in recent years have significantly improved patient survival.**
- **This resulted in a chronicization of some types of neoplasms.**
- **The correct evaluation and treatment of cardiovascular comorbidities and / or cardiac complications during cancer therapies is therefore very important.**

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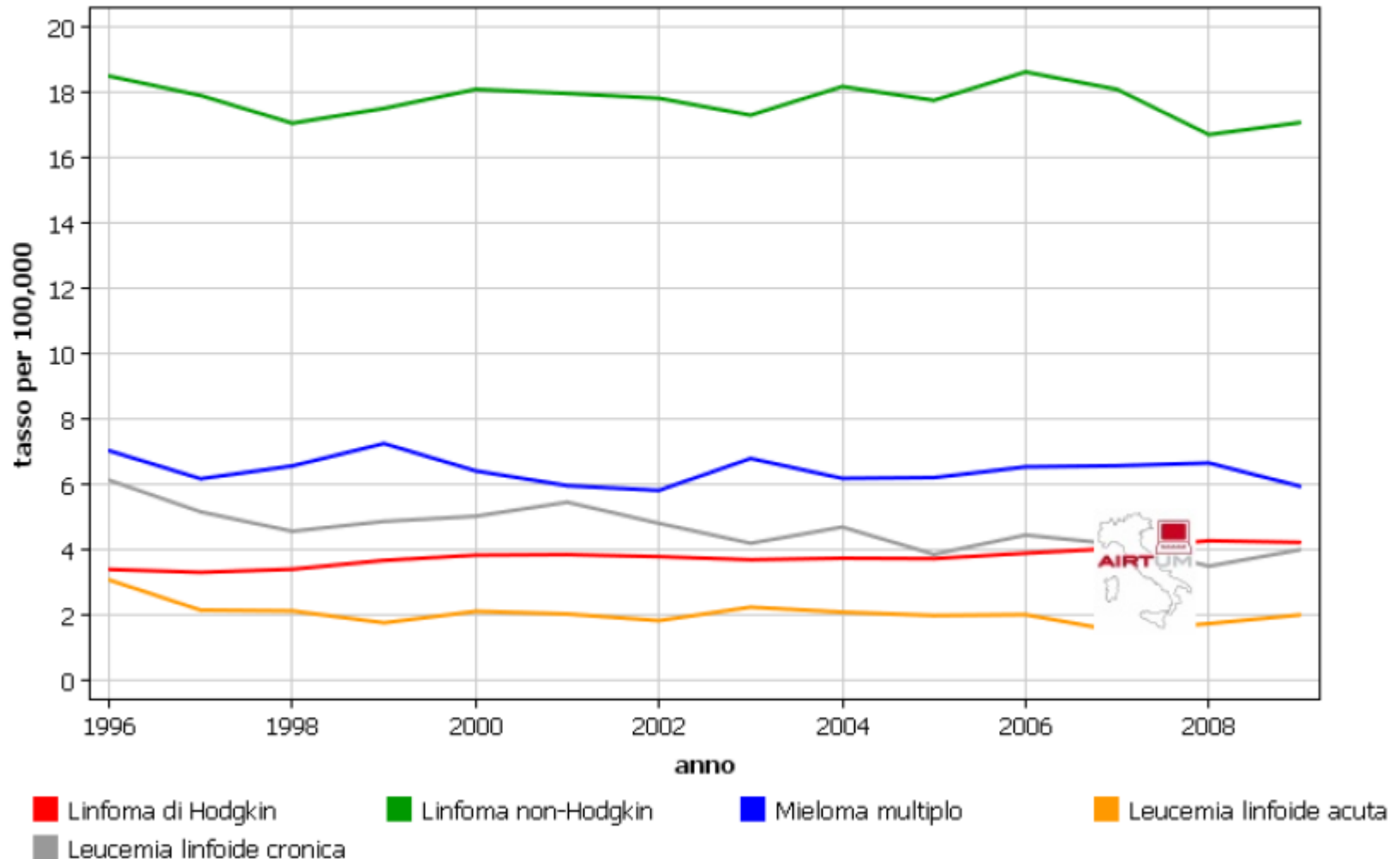
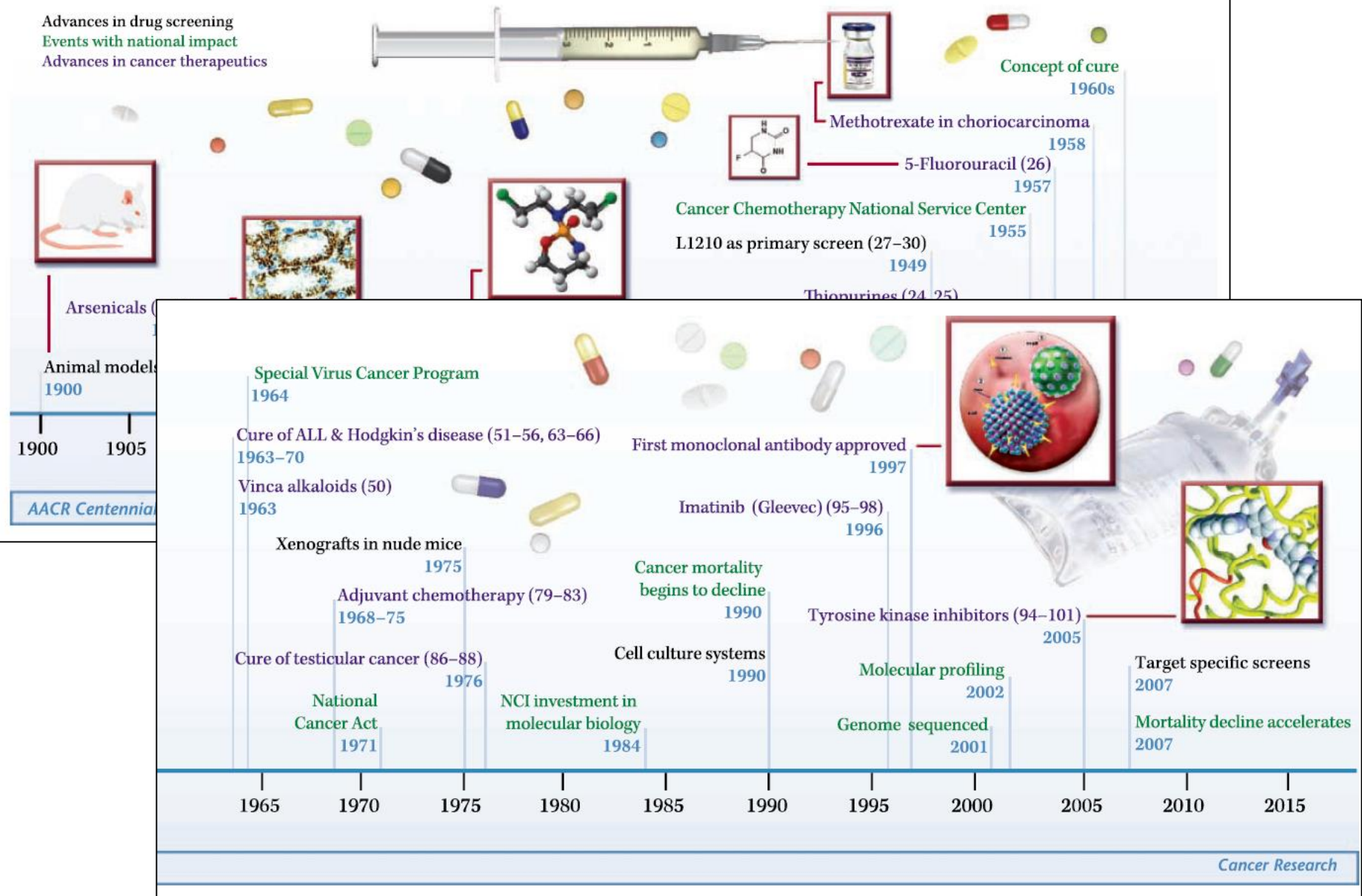
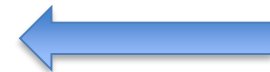
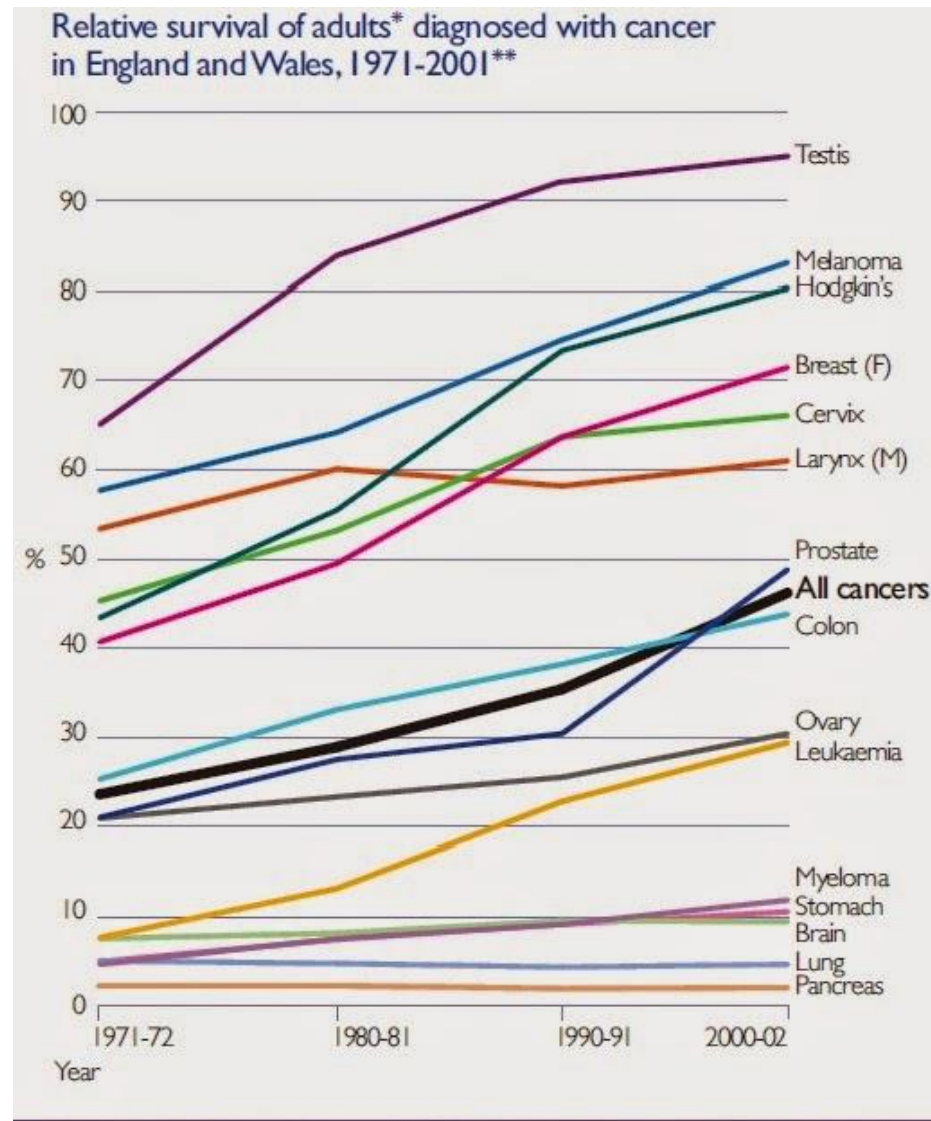


Figure 1. Key advances in the history of cancer chemotherapy

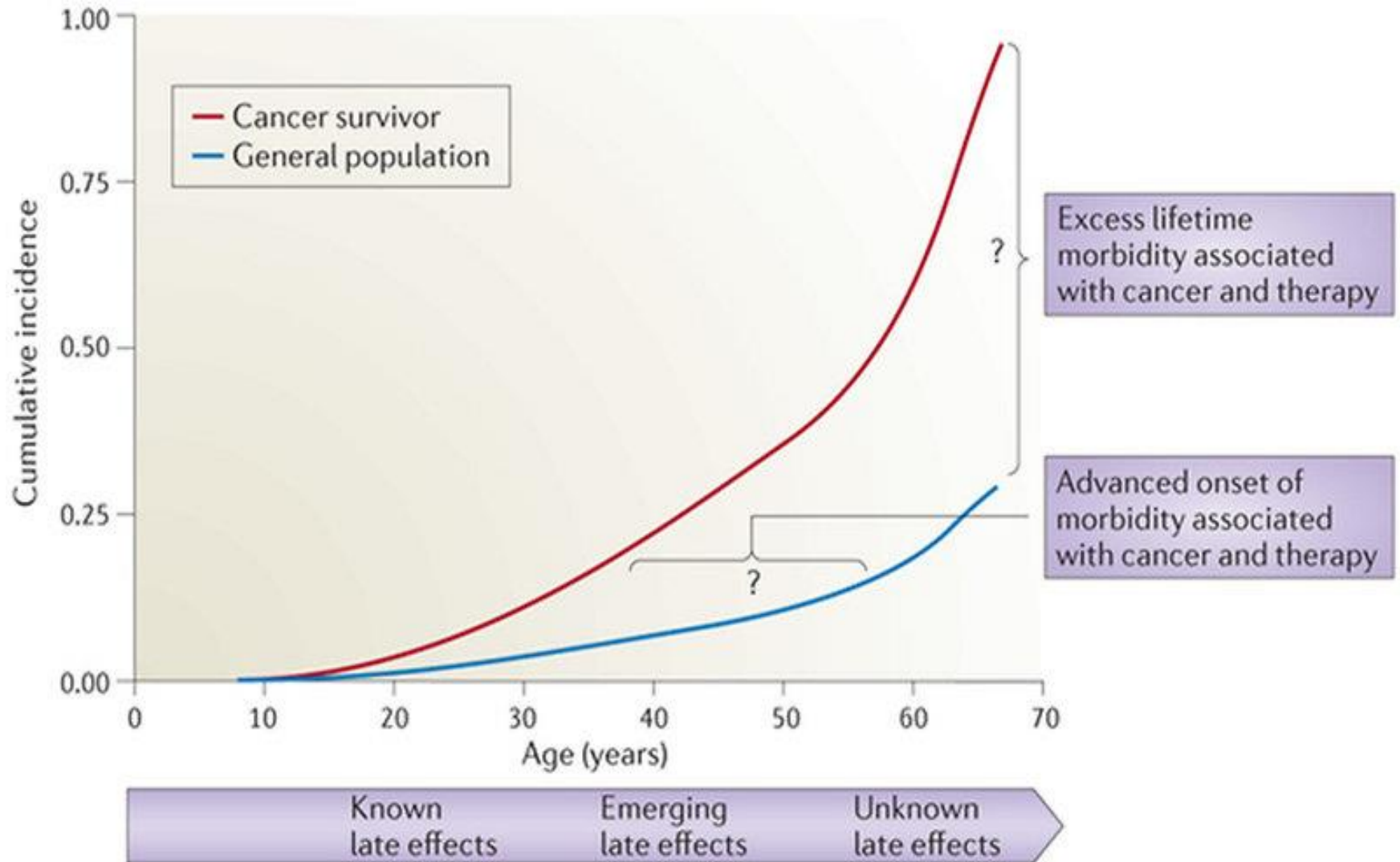
Advances in drug screening
 Events with national impact
 Advances in cancer therapeutics



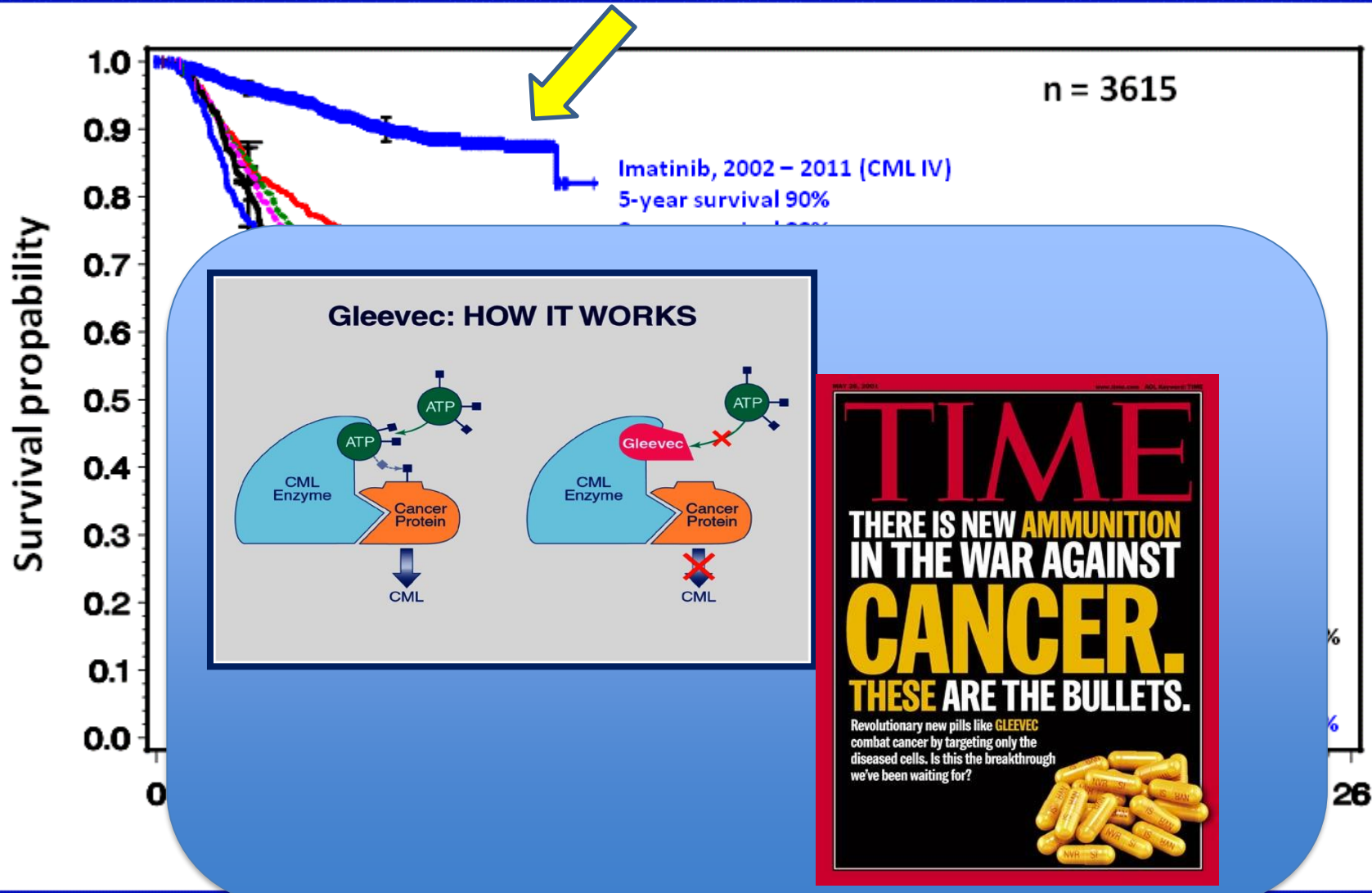
Survival of Cancer Patients in Europe, 1999–2007: The EUROCORE-5 Study



Effects of long-term therapy in long-term cancer survivors



Improvement of survival of CML by therapy 1983 – 2011



First line Tki therapy for CP-CML: Long-term FU data from phase III studies

Trial	Study Arms	N° pts	Median FU	CCyR %	MMR%	Disease progression n (%)	PFS %	OS %
IRIS ¹	Imatinib 400	553	11 ys	83	-	38 (37)	92	83
	α-IFN+LD ARA-C	553		-	-	71 (13)	-	79
DASISION ²	Dasatinib 100	259	5 ys	-	76 P=.002	12 (5)	85	91
	Imatinib 400	260		-	64	19 (7)	86	90
ENESTnd ³	Nilotinib 600	282	5 ys	-	77 P vs IMA <.0001	10 (4)	92	94
	Nilotinib 800	281		-	77 P vs IMA <.0001	8 (2)	96	96
	Imatinib 400	283		-	60	21 (7)	91	92
BFORE ⁴	Bosutinib 400	268	12 ms	77 P=.0075	47 P=.02	4 (2)	-	-
	Imatinib 400	268		66	37	6 (3)	-	-

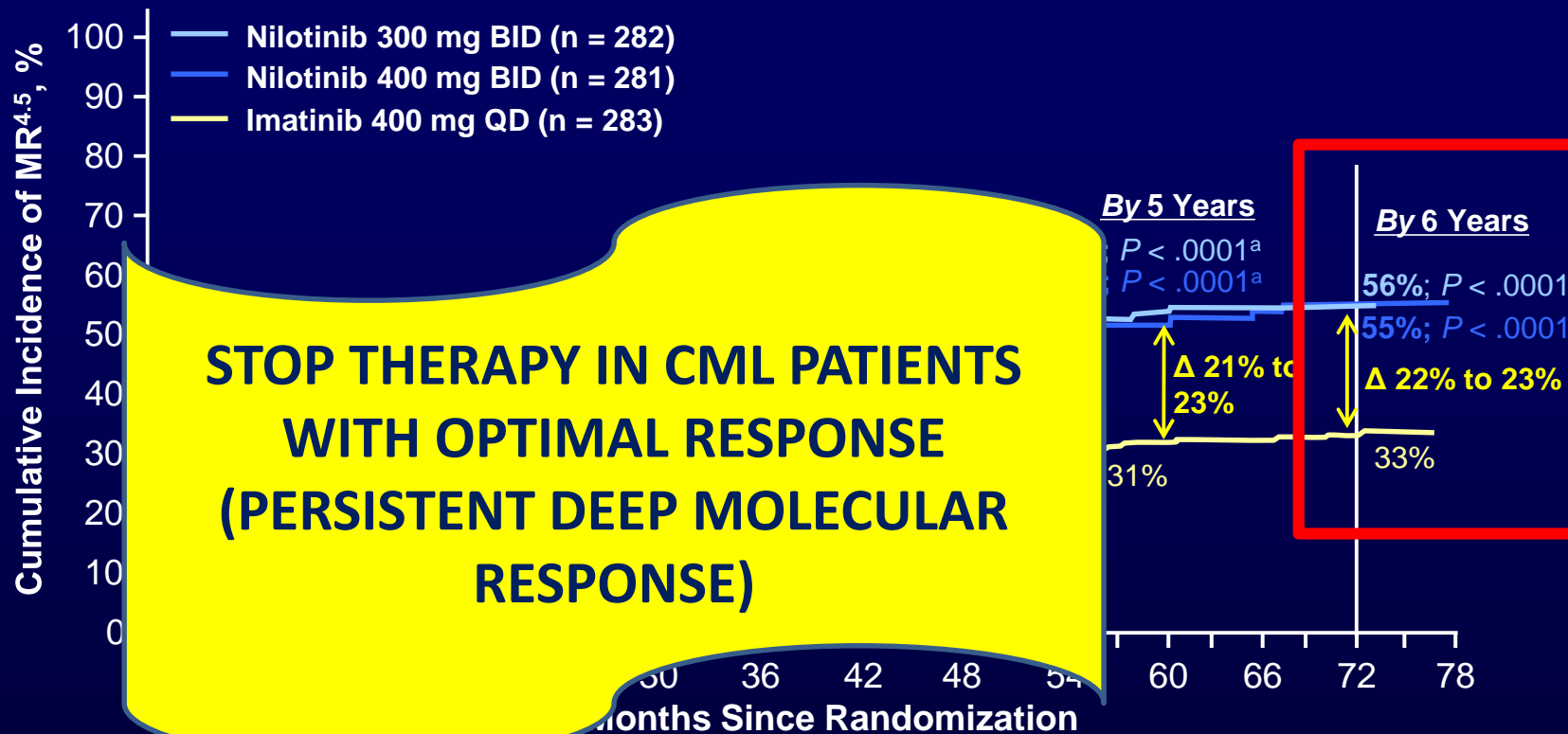
1. Hochhaus A et al, N Engl J Med, 2017 2. Cortes JE et al J Clin Oncol 2016

3. Hochhaus A et al, Leukemia 2016

4. Cortes JE et al, J Clin Oncol 2018

NCCN Guidelines 1/19, August 2018

Figure 3. Cumulative Incidence of MR^{4.5} and Time to First MR^{4.5}



Treatment Arm	Kaplan-Meier Estimated Median Time to First MR ^{4.5} , months	Hazard Ratio vs Imatinib (95% Confidence Interval)	P value ^a
Nilotinib 300 mg BID	45.5	2.0387 (1.5807-2.6295)	< .0001
Nilotinib 400 mg BID	49.8	1.7770 (1.3780-2.2915)	< .0001
Imatinib 400 mg QD	61.1	-	-

^a P values are nominal, were provided for descriptive purposes only, and were not adjusted for multiple comparisons.

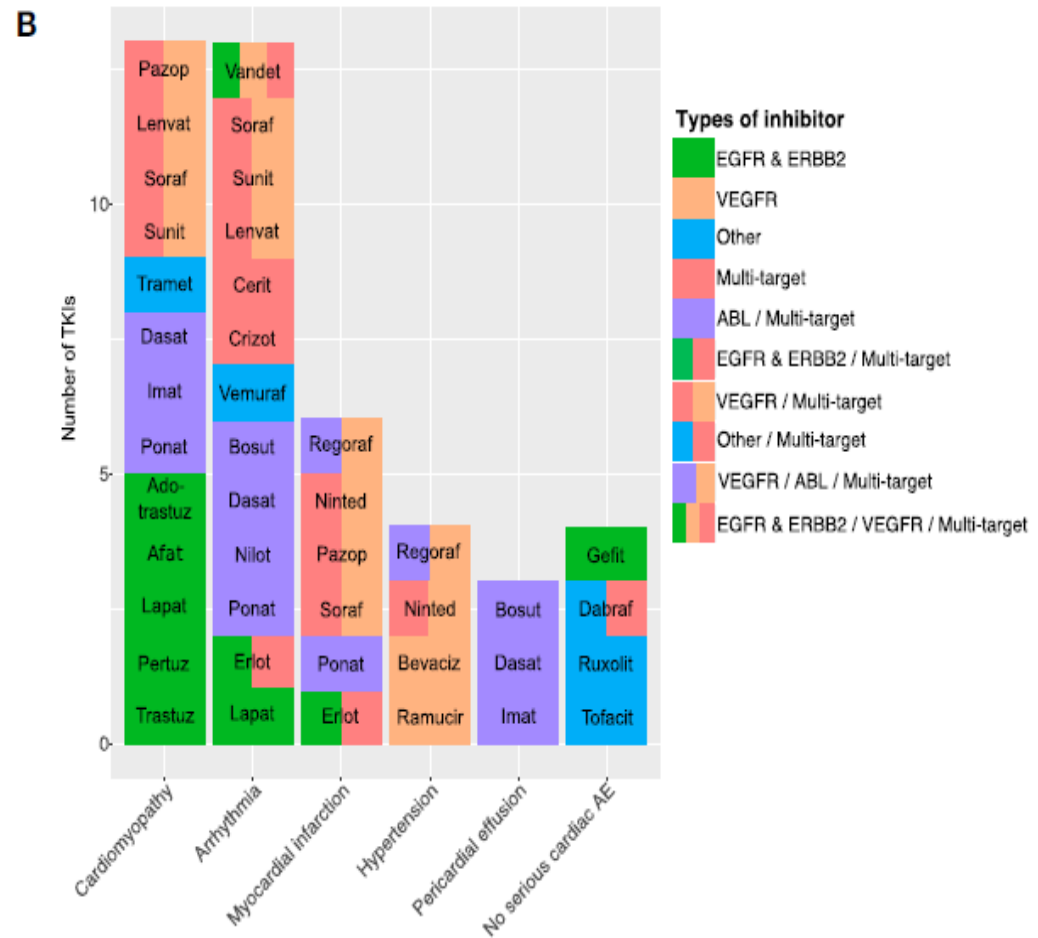
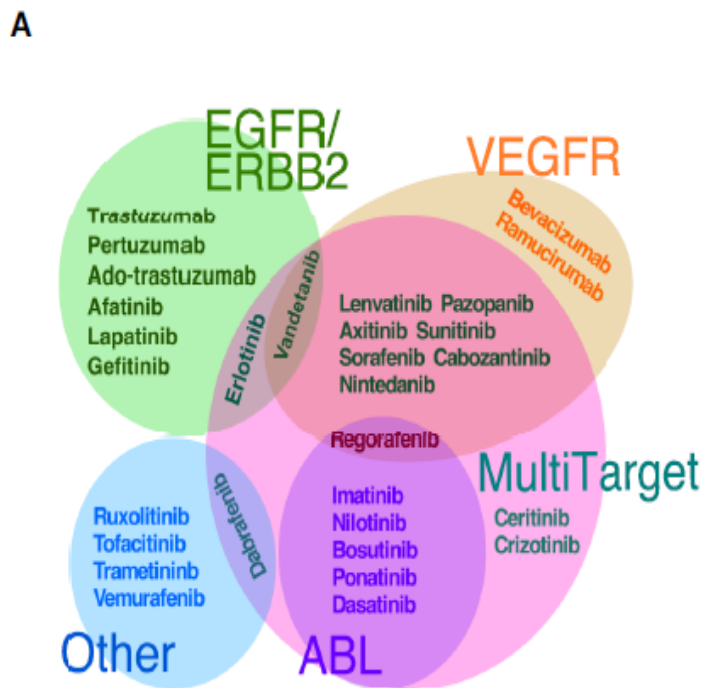
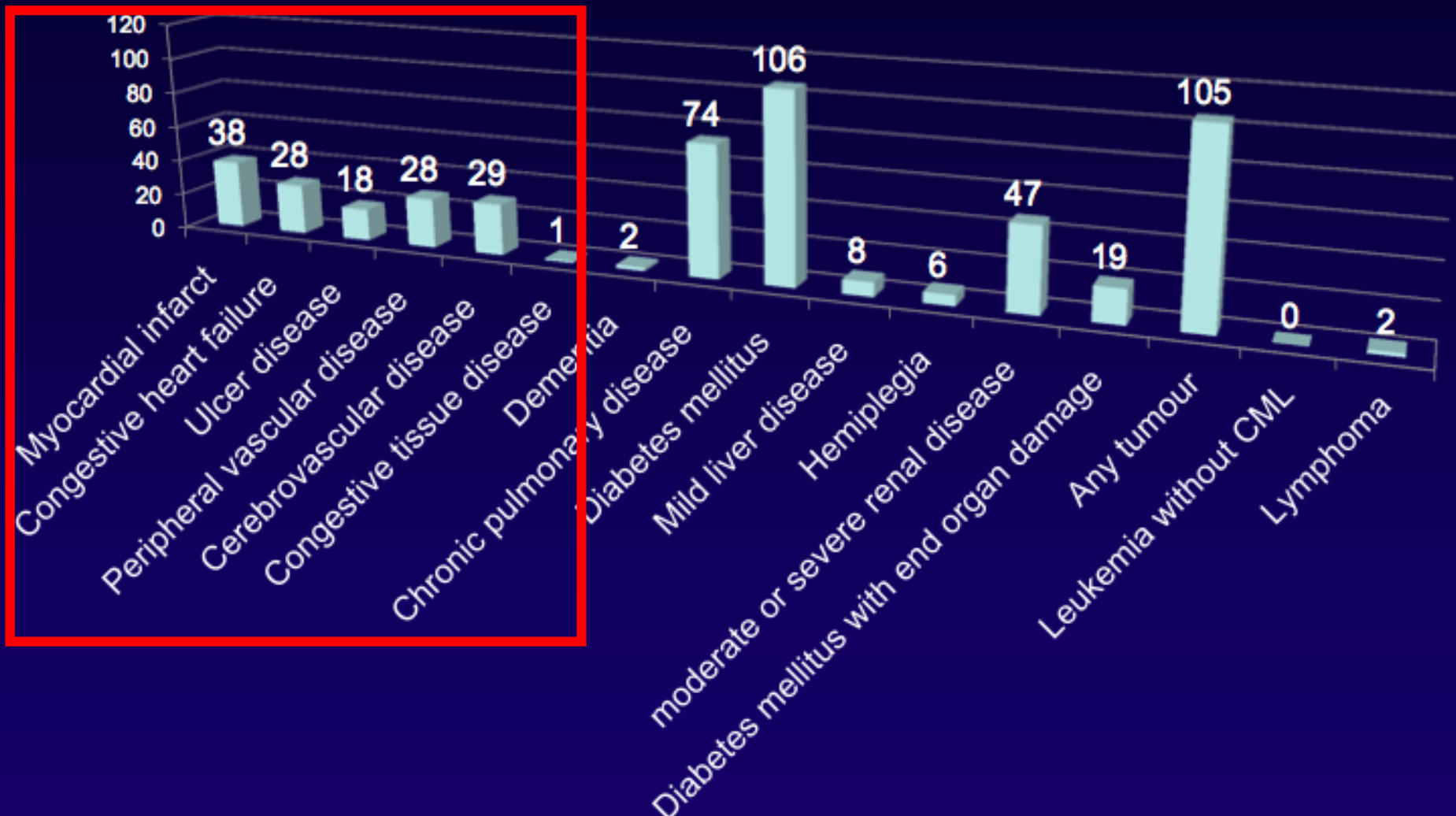


FIGURE 1 | TKI targets and associated adverse events. **(A)** Euler diagram of tyrosine kinase inhibitors grouped based on the primary intended target(s). The three major primary targets are EGFR/ERBB2 (8 TKIs), VEGFR (11 TKIs), and ABL (6 TKIs). The category “Other” comprises five relatively newer TKIs with primary targets in different categories, such as vemurafenib (B-Raf). Out of 30 approved TKIs, 18 were identified as having intended targets in more than one category. **(B)** Black box warnings associated with tyrosine kinase inhibitors are indicated, with closely-related toxicities grouped to ease visualization. *Cardiomyopathy* category includes: “cardiac dysfunction,” “congestive heart failure,” “left ventricular dysfunction,” and “cardiomyopathy.” *Arrhythmia* includes: “prolonged QT interval,” “cardiac bradyarrhythmia,” and “cardiac arrhythmia.” *Pericardial effusion* includes both “pericardial/pleural effusion,” and “cardiac tamponade.” Four approved drugs have no cardiac-associated boxed warning (i.e., no serious cardiac adverse events listed in the drug’s package insert).

Which patient?



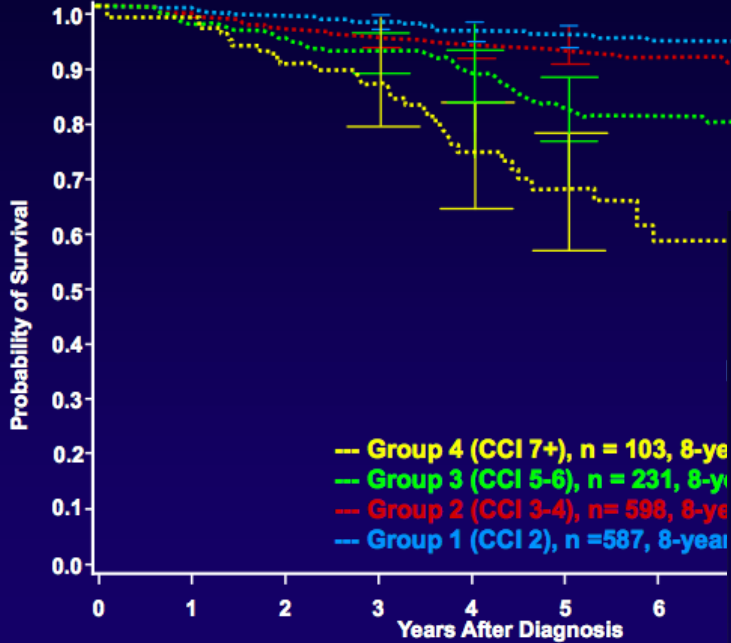
Documented Comorbidities (n = 511)



- **511 comorbidities and 384 patients with comorbidity**

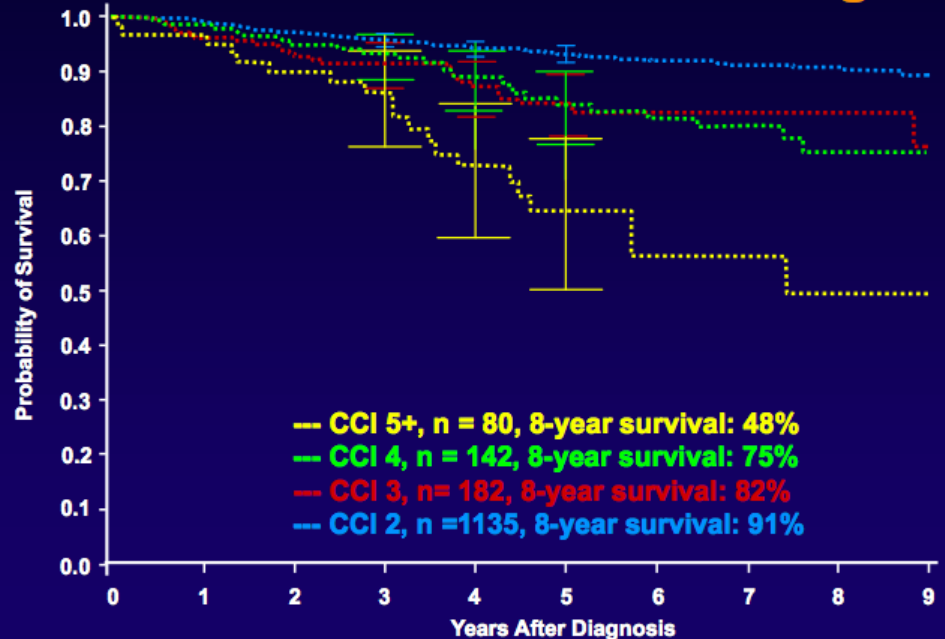
Outcome is influenced by comorbidities

Overall Survival Depending on Charlson Index



Saußele S, et al. *Blood*. 2013;122: Abstract 91.

Overall Survival Depending on Charlson Index – Without Age



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Cardiovascular toxicity in CML pts treated with IIGEN-TKIs and identification of risk factors

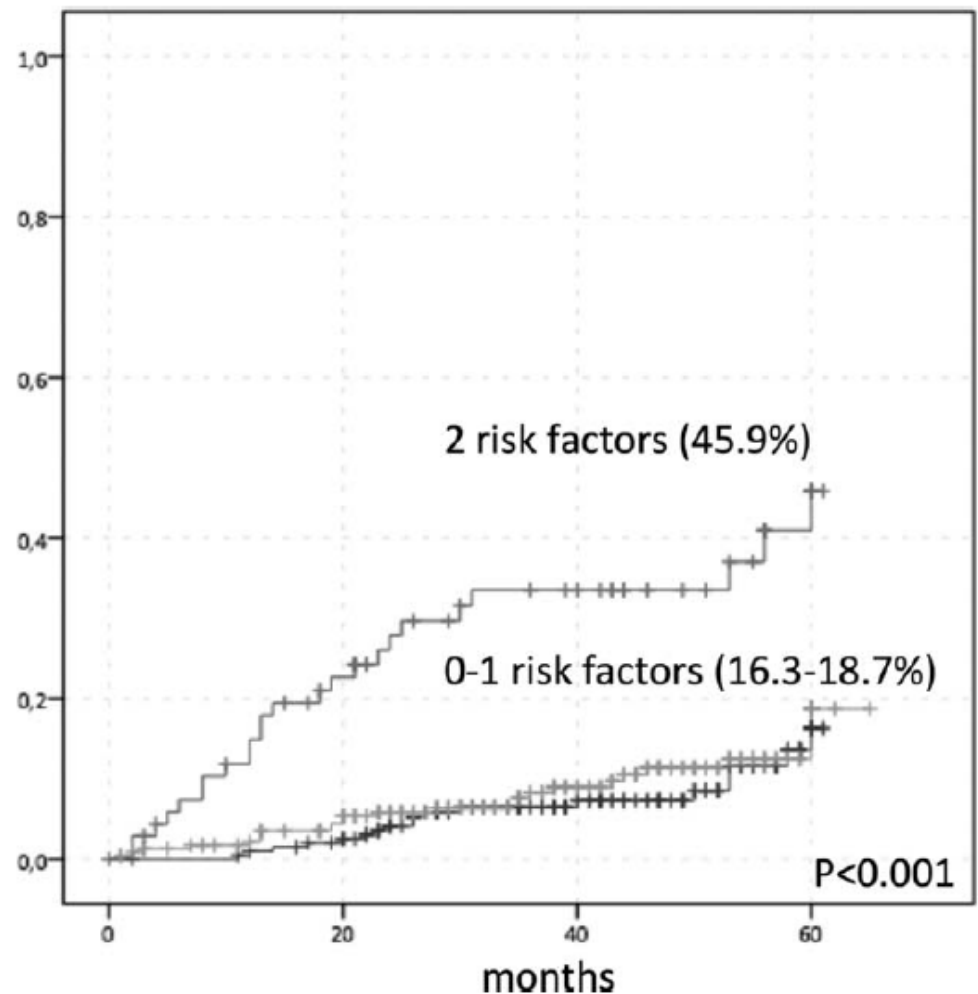


FIGURE 1 Cardio-vascular adverse event incidence in 436 patients with standard risk (0 or 1 risk factor considering a positive anamnesis for CV disease and treatment with 2ndG-TKIs administered as second-line or beyond) and 70 patients with high-risk CML- cardiovascular score (both risk factors were present). 2ndG-TKI, second-generation tyrosine kinase inhibitor; CML, chronic myeloid leukemia [Color figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com]

Heart - Tyrosine-Kinase Proteins



PDGF-R

- Regulation of interstitial fluid pressure
- Stressed cardiomyocyte repair by hemodynamic overload



EDEMA

SRC

- Vascular permeability
- Pleural space homeostasis



PLEURAL EFFUSION

ABL-ARG

- Response to DNA damage
- Protection to oxidative stress



***CARDIOMYOCYTE
TOXICITY***





VEGF-R

- Angiogenesis,
- Cardiac homeostasis



***HYPERTENSION
HEART FAILURE
THROMBOSIS
ARTERIAL OCCLUSION***

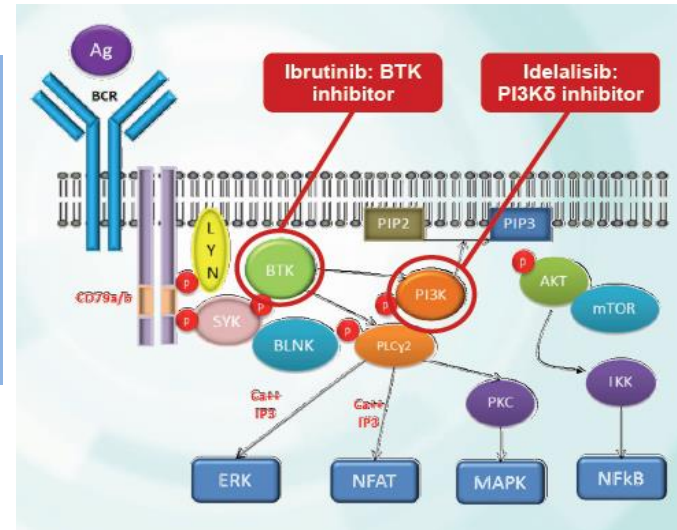
TYPES OF CARDIOVASCULAR DAMAGE CAUSED BY TKI

Types of cardiovascular morbidity	Causative factor	Risk of CT- related damage
<u>CHF and LV dysfunction</u>	 Trastuzumab Bevacizumab Imatinib Sorafenib Sunitinib	relatively unfrequent rare rare rare rare
<u>Cardiac Ischemia</u>	  Bevacizumab Sorafenib Nilotinib Ponatinib	rare rare relatively unfrequent relatively unfrequent
<u>Hypotension</u>	Alemtuzumab Rituximab Cetuximab	frequent relatively unfrequent rare
<u>Hypertension</u>	 Bevacizumab Sorafenib Sunitinib Ponatinib Alemtuzumab Rituximab	frequent frequent frequent frequent relatively unfrequent relatively unfrequent

TYPES OF CARDIOVASCULAR DAMAGE CAUSED BY TKI

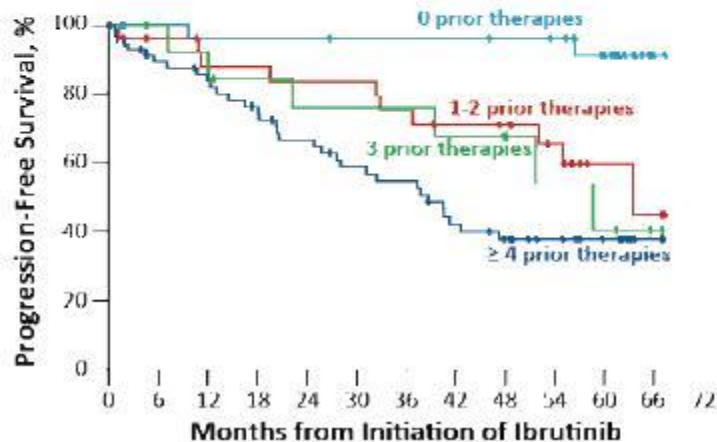
Types of cardiovascular morbidity	Causative factor	Risk of CT- related damage
<u>Arrhythmias and conduction Disorder</u>	Rituximab	rare
<u>Edema</u>	→ Imatinib	very frequent
<u>QT prolongation or Torsades de Pointes</u>	Sorafenib Sunitinib	relatively unfrequent relatively unfrequent
<u>Thrombo-embolic complications</u>	Bevacizumab	relatively unfrequent
<u>Pericarditis and Pericardial Effusion</u>	→ Imatinib → Dasatinib	relatively unfrequent relatively unfrequent
<u>Pulmonary Hypertnesion</u>	→ Dasatinib	rare

The BTKi IBRUTINIB is the standard of care in untreated del17p or p53 mutated B-LLC or relapsed/refractory B-LLC and MCL and in Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia.

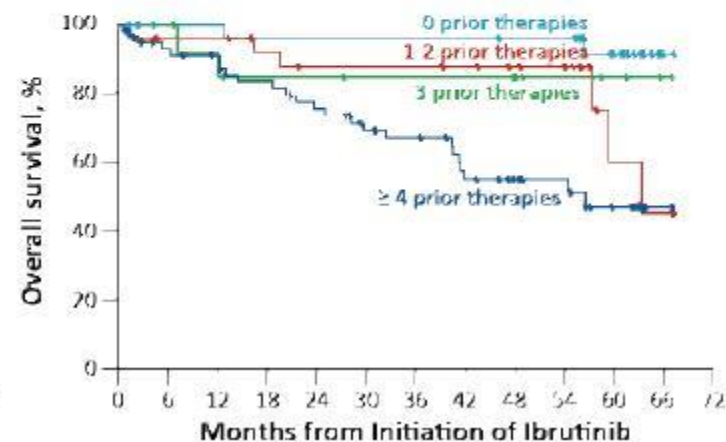


Ibrutinib Survival by Number of Lines of Prior Therapies

Progression-Free Survival



Overall Survival



Ibrutinib–Related Atrial Fibrillation (IRAF)

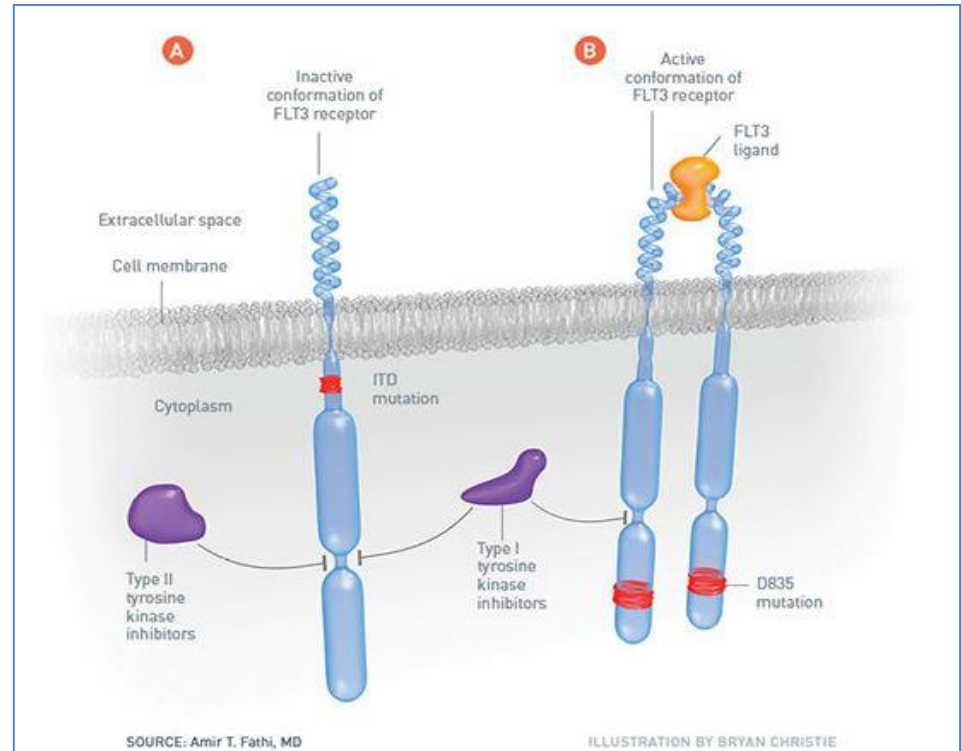
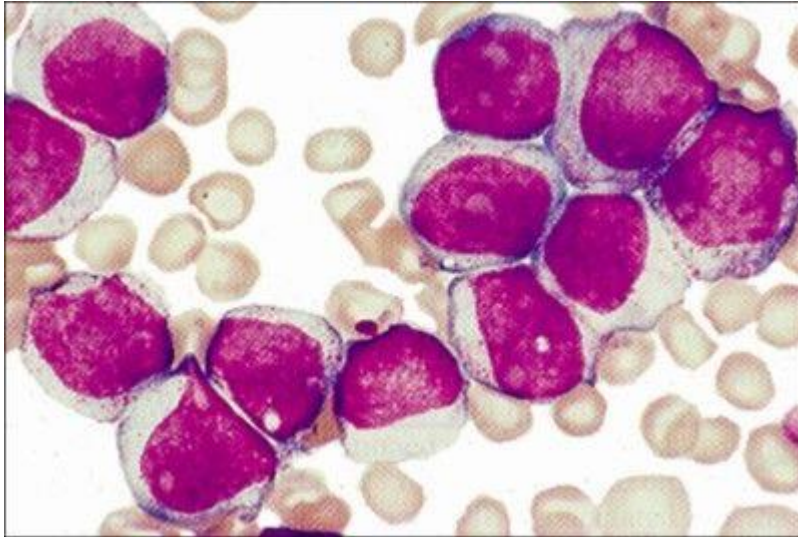
- ✓ Reported IRAF incidence of 3.5-7.7%, significantly higher than alternative therapies (0.5-2.4%) or general population
- ✓ Median time of onset 3.8 months with >80% of AF events occurring in the first 6 months.



UNCLEAR MECHANISM OF ACTION

- ▶ Both BTK and TEC transcripts were expressed in human heart tissue and were is a higher expression in atrial tissue in AF condition than synus rhytm
- ▶ BTK and TEC regulate the PI3k-AKT pathway, thas is a critical regulator of cardiac protection under stress condition
- ▶ Ibrutinib significantly reduced PI3k-AKT activity in cardiac cells
- ▶ Inhibition of BTK and TEC kinases, that leads to decreased PI3k-AKT signalling, is one potential explanation of IRAF

FLT3 Mutation in AML



- The mutation FLT3-ID is observed in 30% of the cases of AML and it is associated with poor prognosis do to higher rate of relapse
- FLT3-ITD mutation lead to activation of FLT3 TK and is a potential therapeutic target.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Midostaurin plus Chemotherapy for Acute Myeloid Leukemia with a *FLT3* Mutation

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Induzione, consolidamento e mantenimento

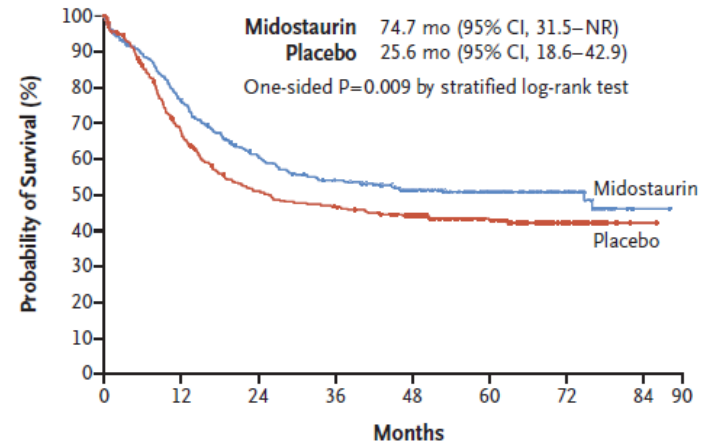
Intervallo QTc >470 ms e ≤500 ms

Diminuire Rydapt a 50 mg una volta al giorno per il resto del ciclo. Riprendere Rydapt alla dose iniziale nel ciclo successivo a condizione che l'intervallo QTc migliori fino a ≤470 ms all'inizio di quel ciclo. Altrimenti continuare Rydapt 50 mg una volta al giorno.

Intervallo QTc >500 ms

Sospendere o interrompere temporaneamente Rydapt per il resto del ciclo. Se il QTc migliora a ≤470 ms appena prima del ciclo successivo, riprendere Rydapt alla dose iniziale. Se l'intervallo QTc non è migliorato in tempo per iniziare il ciclo successivo non somministrare Rydapt durante tale ciclo. Rydapt può essere sospeso per il numero di cicli necessario fino a miglioramento del QTc.

A Median Overall Survival



No. at Risk

Midostaurin	360	269	208	181	151	97	37	1
Placebo	357	221	163	147	129	80	30	1

B Subgroup Analysis

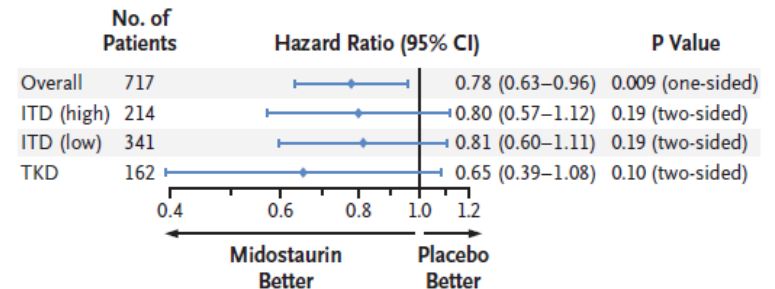
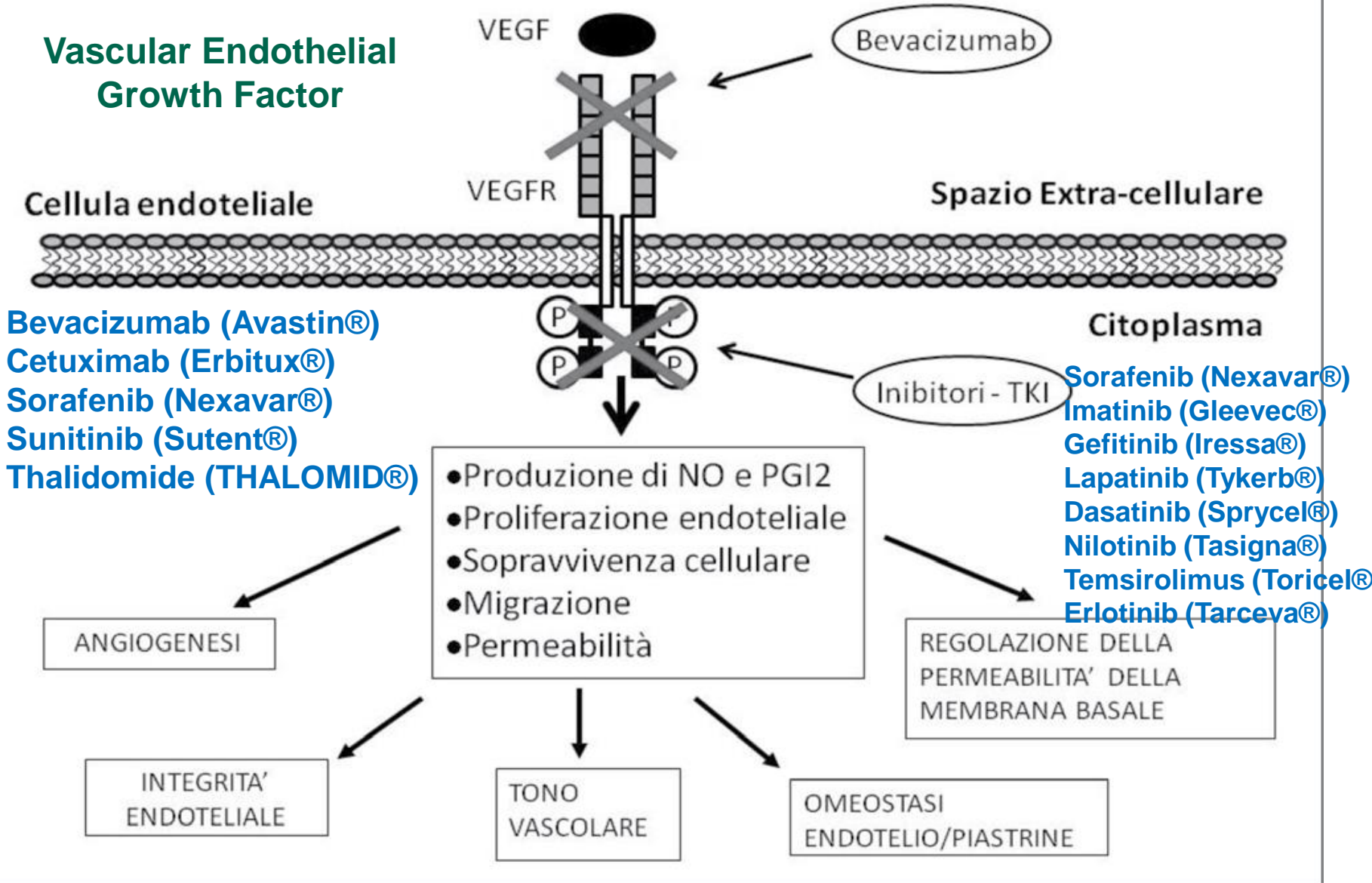


Figure 2. Overall Survival.

Panel A shows Kaplan–Meier curves for median overall survival in the midostaurin group and the placebo group. Tick marks indicate censoring of data. Panel B shows the between-group comparison of overall survival with stratification according to subtype of *FLT3* mutation: point mutation in the tyrosine kinase domain (TKD) or internal tandem duplication (ITD) mutation with either a high ratio (>0.7) or a low ratio (0.05 to 0.7) of mutant to wild-type alleles (ITD [high] and ITD [low], respectively). NR denotes not reached.

Antiangiogenetici e inibitori tirosinchinasi



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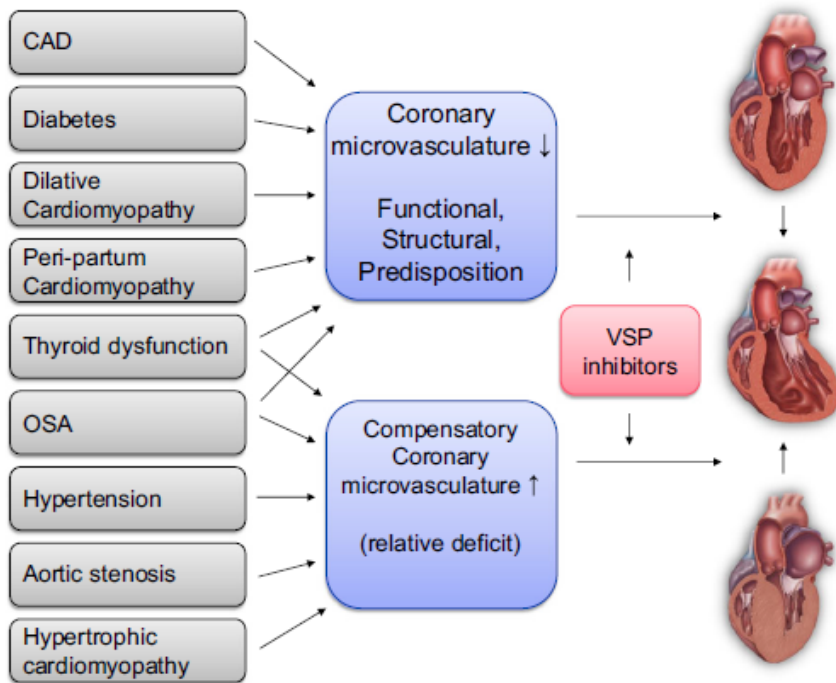


Fig. 4 Conceptual outline of the vascular nature of VSP inhibitor cardiotoxicity. Outline of the concept of absolute or relative and structural or functional coronary microvascular deficit and cardiomyopathy with VSP inhibitor therapy

Cardiotoxicity with VEGF Inhibitor therapy

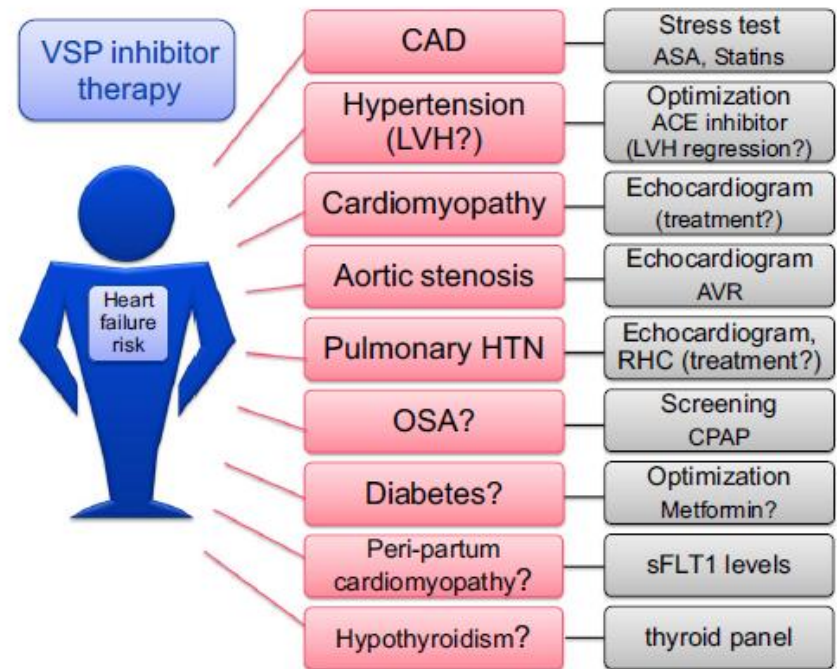


Fig. 5 Comorbidities contributing to the vascular nature of VSP inhibitor cardiotoxicity. Illustration of the comorbidities to consider and to screen for in patients who are considered for VSP therapy matching the pathophysiological concept introduced in Fig. 4

Cardiovascular Side Effects of Proteasome Inhibitors

Table 1 Selected published clinical trials on EMA and FDA approved proteasome inhibitors in multiple myeloma

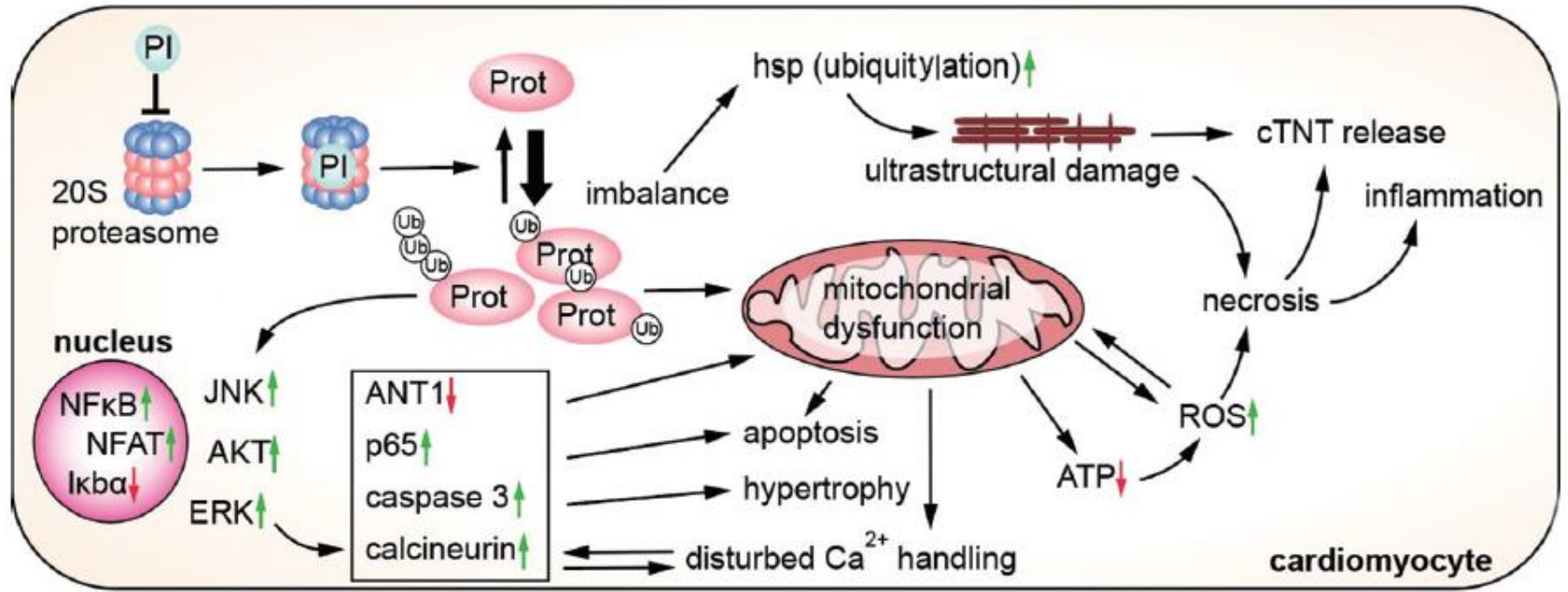
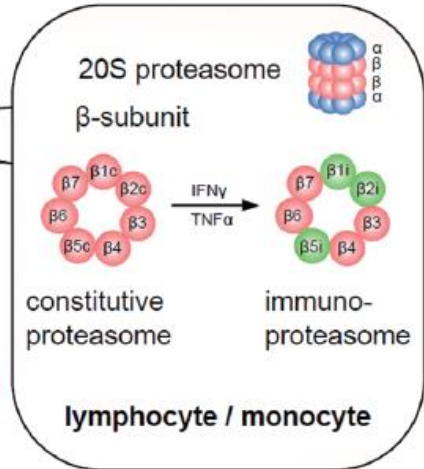
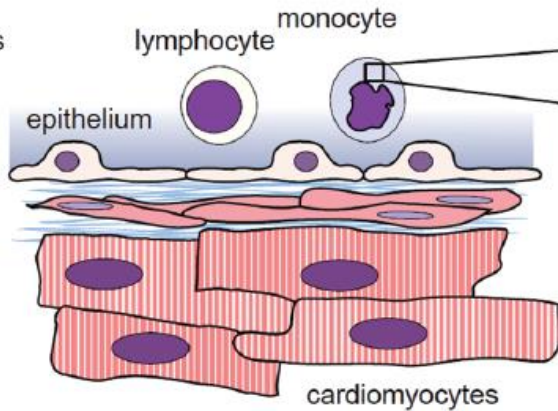
Proteasome inhibitor	Acronym	Phase	No. subjects	Clinical setting	Treatment	ORR	Cardiovascular adverse events	Ref.
Bortezomib	Summit	II	196	Relapsed MM	BTZ	35%	Not reported/ measured	(5)
Bortezomib	APEX	III	669	Relapsed MM	BTZ vs. Dexa	38% vs. 18%	Cardiac events 15% vs. 13%; heart failure 2% in both groups	(6)
Bortezomib	MMVAR/IFM 2005-04	III	269	Relapsed MM after AT	BTZ + TH + Dexa vs. TH + Dexa	56% vs. 35%	Cardiac grade 3 and 4 adverse events: 1.5% vs. 0.7%	(10)
Bortezomib	HOVON-65/ GMMG-HD4	III	827	Newly diagnosed MM	BTZ + Doxo + Dexa vs. Vinc + Doxo + Dexa	36% vs. 24%	Not reported/ measured	(11)
Bortezomib	-	II	64	Relapsed/ refractory MM	BTZ + LEN + Dexa	64%	Atrial fibrillation 3%; Hypotension 2%; venous thromboembolism 3%	(12)
Carfilzomib	-	II	50	Relapsed/ refractory MM	CFZ	26%	Congestive heart failure 6%; no notable changes on ECG	(13)
Carfilzomib	ASPIRE	III	792	Relapsed MM	CFZ + Len + Dexa vs. Len + Dexa	87% vs. 67%	Hypertension 14.3% vs. 6.9%; cardiac failure 6.4% vs. 4.1%; ischemic heart disease 5.9% vs. 4.6%	(8)
Carfilzomib/ Bortezomib	ENDEAVOR	III	929	Relapsed/ refractory MM	CFZ + Dexa vs. BTZ + Dexa	54% vs. 29%	Hypertension 24.8% vs. 8.7%; cardiac failure 8.2% vs. 2.8%; ischemic heart disease 2.6% vs. 1.9%; LVEF only measured in sub- study of 151 patients	(9)
Carfilzomib	FOCUS	III	315	Relapsed/ refractory MM	CFZ vs. corticosteroids	19% vs. 11%	Hypertension 15% vs. 6%; cardiac failure 5% vs. 1%	(14)
Ixazomib	TOURMALINE- MM1	III	722	Relapsed/ refractory MM	IXZ + Len + Dexa vs. Len + Dexa	78% vs. 72%	Hypertension 6% vs. 5%; hypotension 6% vs. 6%; venous thromboembolism 8% vs. 11%; heart failure 4% vs. 4%; arrhythmia 16% vs. 15%; myocardial infarction 1% vs. 2%	(15)

MM, multiple myeloma; BTZ, bortezomib; Dexa, dexamethasone; TH, thalidomide; Vinc, vincristine; Doxo, doxorubicin; Len, lenalidomide; CFZ, carfilzomib; IXZ, ixazomib; ORR, overall response rate; EMA, European Medicines Agency; FDA, Food and Drug Administration.

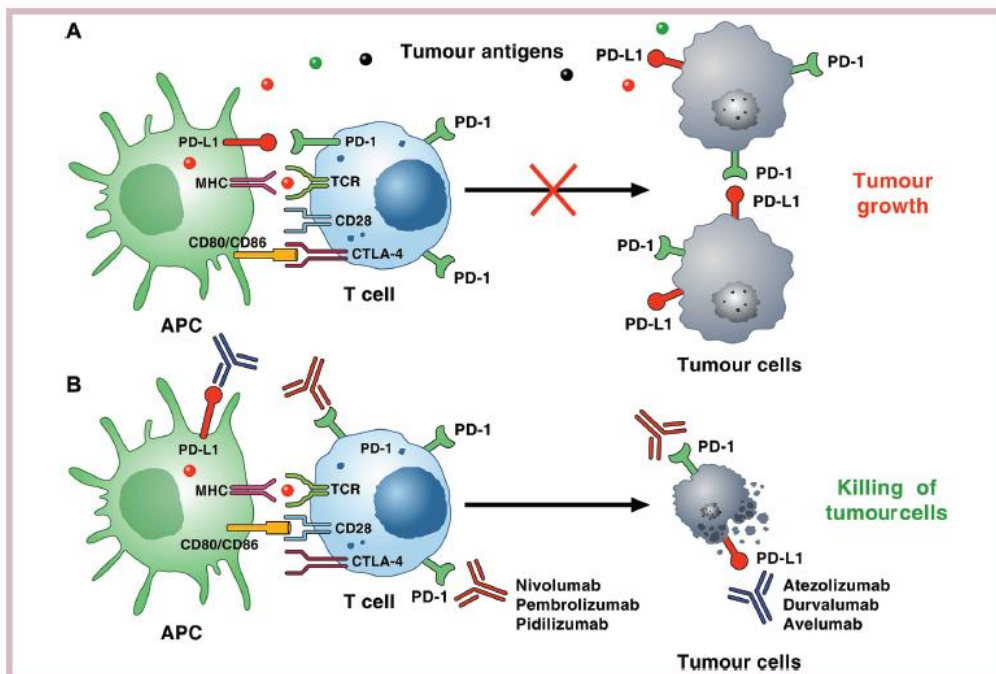
Cardiovascular Side Effects of Proteasome Inhibitors

Effect of proteasome inhibition on cardiac function

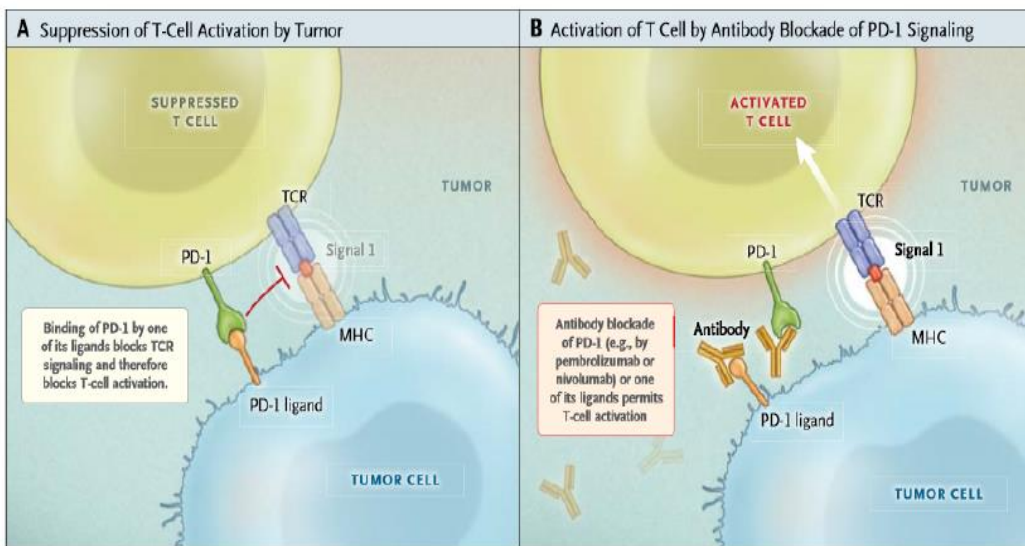
increased plasma TNT levels
 increased vascular tone
 perivascular fibrosis
 myocardial hypertrophy
 increase in apoptosis
 ultrastructural damage
 necrosis
 myocarditis (inflammation)
 interstitial fibrosis



Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors for cancer therapy: cHL



- PD-1 ligands are overexpressed in inflammatory environment and attenuate the immune response via PD-1 on immune effector cells
- PD-L1 expressed on malignant cells and/or in the tumor microenvironment suppressed tumor infiltrating lymphocyte activity



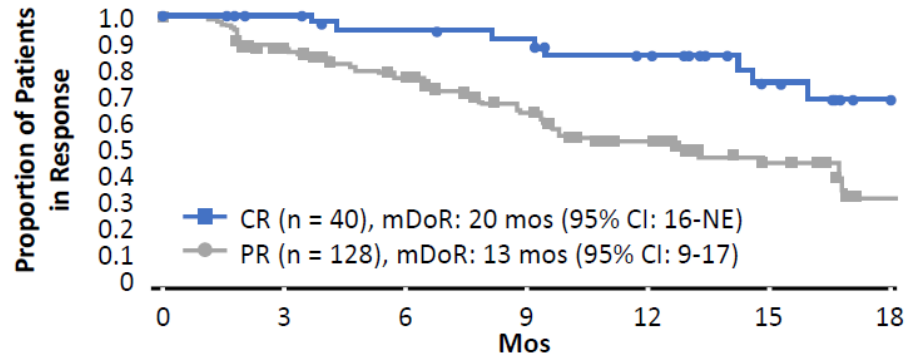
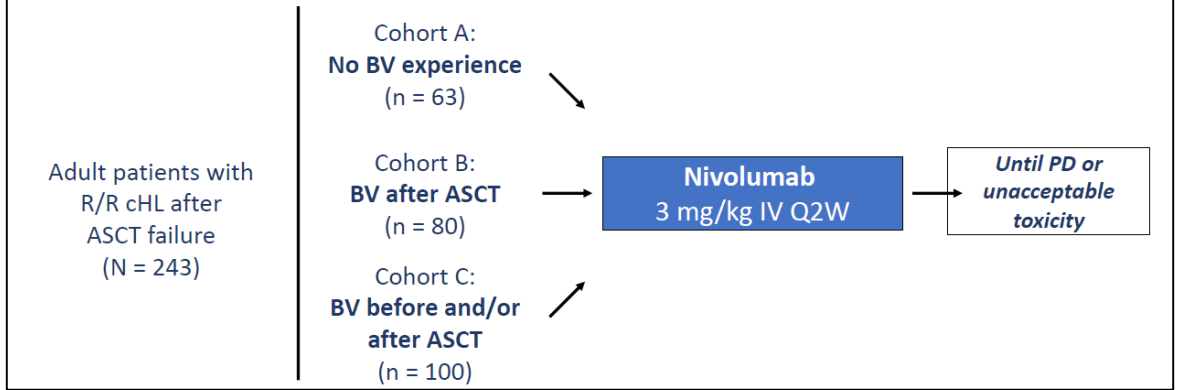
Classical HL may be vulnerable to PD-1 blockade:

- PD-1 ligand are overexpressed in Red Semberg cells of c HL
- Amplification of 9p24 upregulate the genes for PD-1 ligands and activates JAK-STAT which further induces PD-1 ligand
- EBV infection increase PD-1 ligand in EBV+ cHL

CheckMate 205: NIVOLUMAB for relapsed/refractory cHL after ASCT

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- Multicenter, single-arm, phase II study



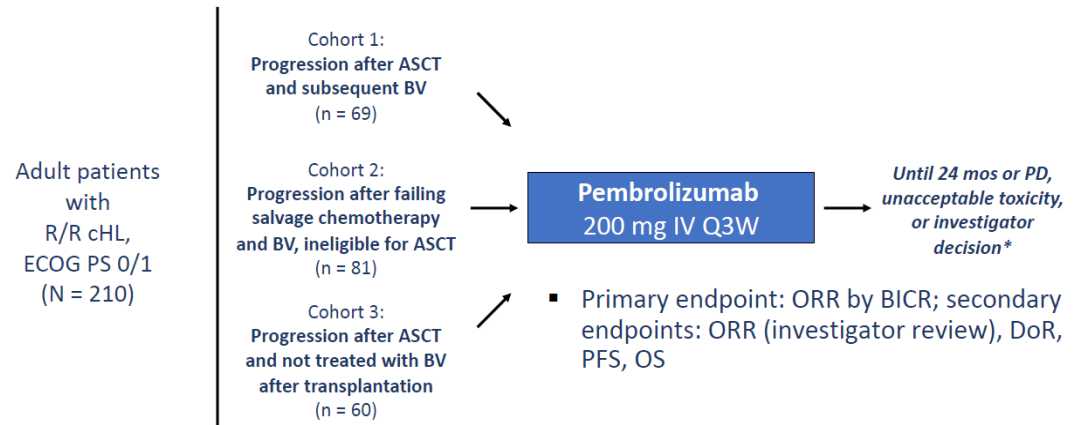
- ORR (investigator): 72% (CR: 33%)
- Post hoc analyses: similar responses regardless of treatment sequence

	Cohort A BV Naive (n = 63)	Cohort B BV After ASCT (n = 80)	Cohort C BV Before and/or After ASCT (n = 100)	Overall (N = 243)
Median DoR, Mos (95% CI)				
In all responders	20 (13-20)	16 (8-20)	15 (9-17)	17 (13-20)
In CR patients	20 (NE-NE)	20 (4-NE)	15 (8-NE)	20 (16-NE)
In PR patients	17 (9-NE)	11 (7-18)	13 (9-17)	13 (9-17)

KEYNOTE-087: PEMBROLIZUMAB for relapsed/refractory cHL

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• Single-arm phase II study



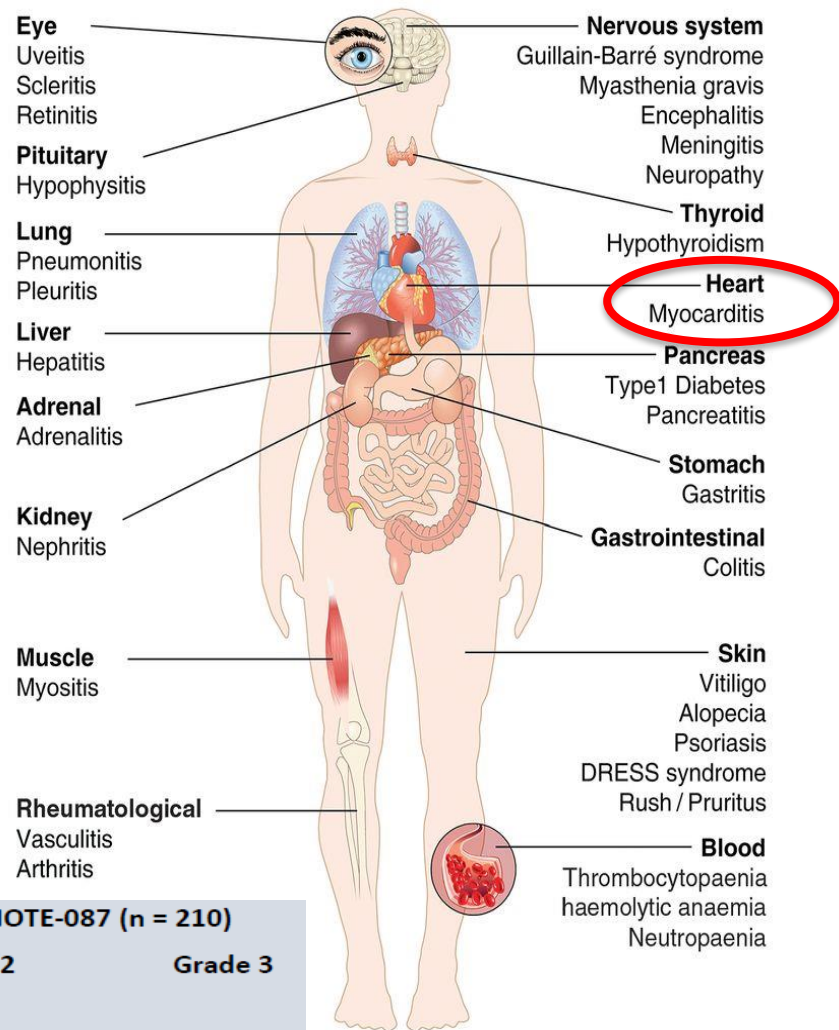
*Patients achieving CR could stop pembrolizumab after 6 mos after receiving ≥ 2 doses following CR.

Response	Cohort 1 After ASCT/BV (n = 69)		Cohort 2 ASCT Ineligible/BV Failure (n = 81)		Cohort 3 No BV After ASCT (n = 60)	
	n (%)	95% CI	n (%)	95% CI	n (%)	95% CI
ORR	51 (73.9)	61.9-83.7	52 (64.2)	52.8-74.6	42 (70.0)	56.8-81.2
▪ CR	15 (21.7)	12.7-33.3	20 (24.7)	15.8-35.5	12 (20.0)	10.8-32.3
▪ PR	36 (52.2)	39.8-64.4	32 (39.5)	28.8-51.0	30 (50.0)	36.8-63.2
SD	11 (15.9)	8.2-26.7	10 (12.3)	6.1-21.5	10 (16.7)	8.3-28.5
PD	5 (7.2)	2.4-16.1	17 (21.0)	12.7-31.5	8 (13.3)	5.9-24.6
Unable to determine	2 (2.9)	0.4-10.1	2 (2.5)	0.3-8.6	0	--

Current Approved Indications for PD-1 Inhibitors in Relapsed/Refractory HL

AGENT	INDICATIONS
<p data-bbox="272 611 664 665">NIVOLUMAB</p> <p data-bbox="121 691 813 733">Dosing: 240 mg/2 w or 480 mg/4w</p>	<ul data-bbox="913 479 1827 743" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="913 479 1827 572">▪ Adult pts with relapsed/refractory disease after ASCT and brentuximab vedotin<li data-bbox="913 594 1827 743">▪ Adult pts with relapsed/refractory disease after ≥ 3 lines of systemic therapy including ASCT
<p data-bbox="227 929 710 983">PEMBROLIZUMAB</p> <p data-bbox="137 1001 799 1100">Dosing: 200 mg/3w(adult pts) or 2mg/Kg /3 w (pediatric pts)</p>	<ul data-bbox="913 893 1862 1051" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="913 893 1862 1051">▪ Adult or pediatric pts with refractory disease or who have relapsed after \geq lines of therapy

Immune-related adverse effects (IRAEs) associated with checkpoints inhibitors in patients with cancer.



Adverse Event, %	CheckMate 205 (n = 80)		KEYNOTE-087 (n = 210)	
	Grade 1/2	Grade 3	Grade 1/2	Grade 3
Fatigue	25	0	8.6	0.5
Hypothyroidism	NR	NR	11.9	0.5
Pyrexia	14	0	10.0	0.5
Rash	15	1	7.6	0
Diarrhea	10	0	6.2	1.0
Nausea	13	0	5.7	0
Pruritus	10	0	3.8	0

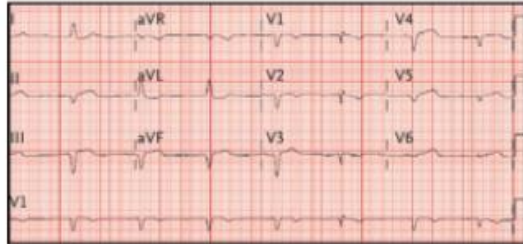
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Cardiotoxicity for immune checkpoint inhibitors

Incidence rare

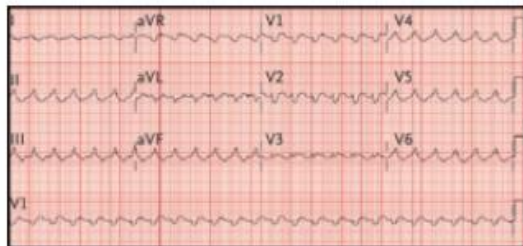
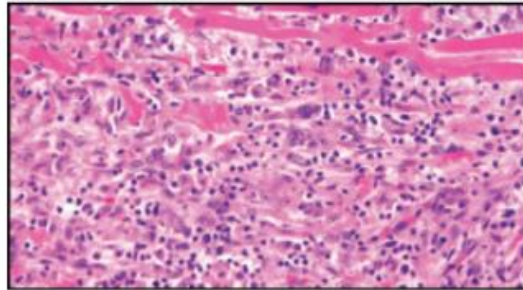
Conduction disease

- Atrioventricular block

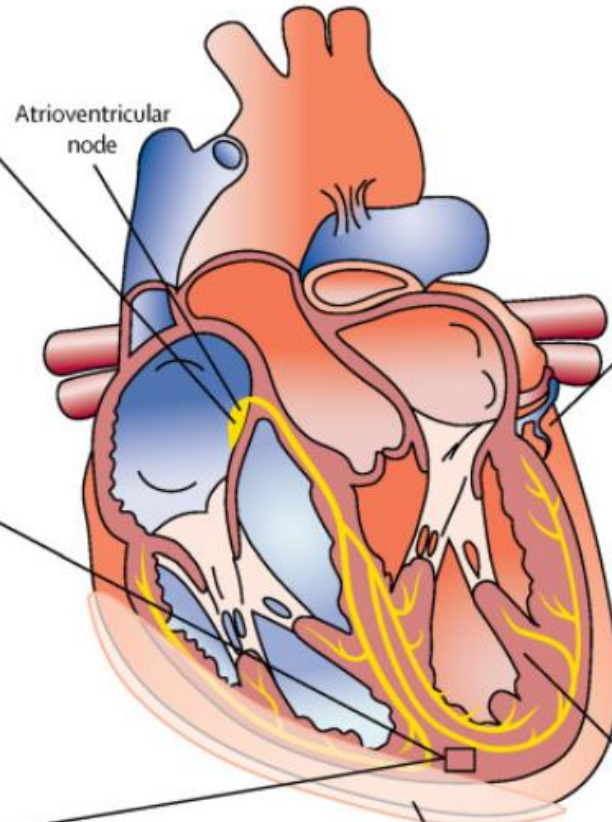


Myocarditis

- Heart failure
- Ventricular arrhythmias



Incidence 0.1-1%
Fatal rate 27-46%
Early phase: 14-34 days
after start therapy

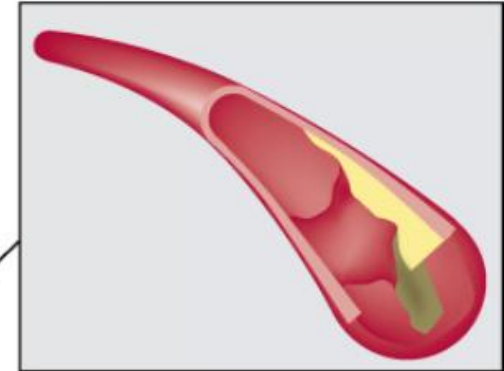


- Pericarditis
- Effusion
- Tamponade

Incidence 7-13% of all
respective studies
Fatal rate 21%

Coronary artery disease

- Atherosclerotic plaque rupture
- Acute myocardial infarction
- Coronary vasculitis



Non-inflammatory left ventricular dysfunction

- Heart failure
- Takotsubo syndrome

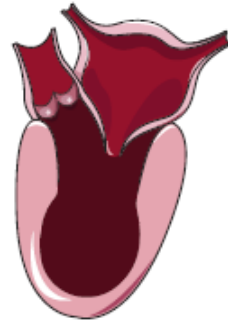


Takotsubo s.: Incidence rare
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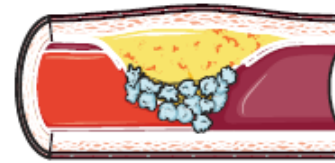
Cardiotoxicity from immune checkpoint inhibitors



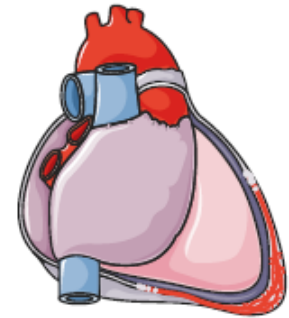
Myocarditis



Takotsubo syndrome



ACS



Pericardial disease

Diagnosis

- ECG
- Echocardiography including strain analysis
- Troponin, NT-proBNP
- Chest X-ray
- CMR

- Echocardiography
- Troponin, NT-proBNP
- CMR
- Exclusion of ACS according to ESC and AHA guidelines

- ECG
- Troponin
- Diagnostic algorithm according to ESC and AHA guidelines

- Echocardiography
- CMR
- Evaluation of myocarditis
- Cardiac fluid pathology
- Monitor pericardial effusion



Treatment

- Stop ICI therapy permanently
- Prednisone adapted to severity (up to 1 g daily)
- No response: consider mycophenolate mofetil, infliximab, antithymocyte globulin

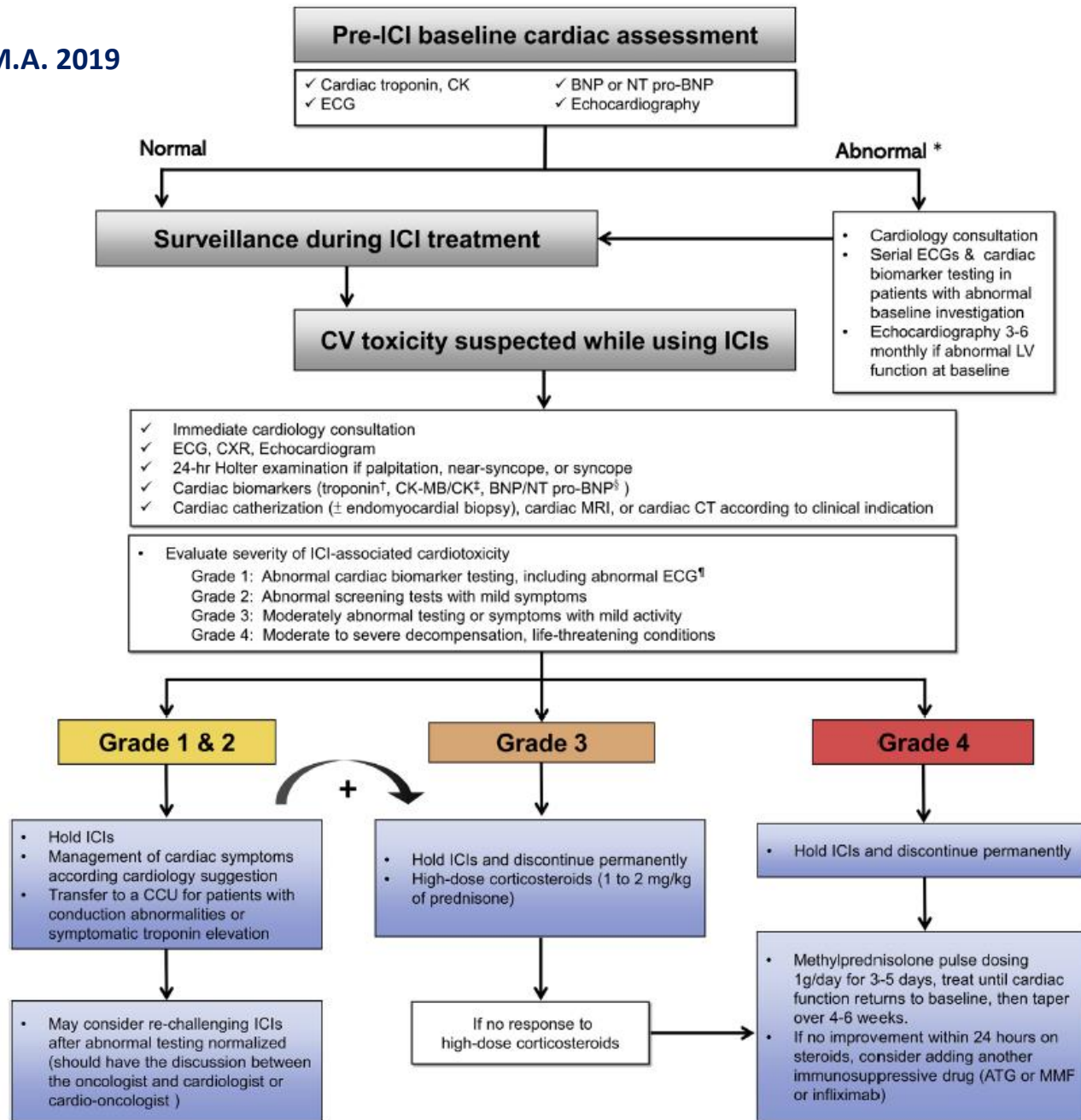
- Stop ICI therapy initially
- Prednisone 1 g daily
- Avoid QT-prolonging drugs

- Treatment according to ESC and AHA guidelines
- Stop ICI therapy initially
- Consider ICI therapy rechallenge >30 days in stable patient
- Consider prednisone in case of coronary vasculitis

- Pericardiocentesis when indicated
- Stop ICI therapy initially
- 500-1000 mg prednisone daily
- Consider colchicin, NSAIDs
- Consider ICI therapy rechallenge after recovery

Cardiotoxicity for immune checkpoint inhibitors

Chen D-Y et al J.of F.M.A. 2019



The management of cardiotoxicity in onco-hematology



- ✓ Cardiovascular assessment study group
- ✓ Long-term patient monitoring study group: toxicity of anticancer therapies



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