KRONİK LENFOSİTİK LÖSEMİ : GÜNCEL GELİŞMELER VE YENİ TEDAVİLER

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"Hematolojide Yeni Tedaviler: Nereye Doğru Gidiyoruz?"

- 1990'ların başında FDA'in yeni ilaç onaylarının sadece %5'i hedefe yönelik ilaçlardan oluşuyordu. 20 yıl sonra bu sayı yeni onaylananların %25'ine ulaştı. 2013'de ise yeni onaylı ilaçların %45'i hedefe yönelik ilaçlardı.
- FDA'nın önemli buluş (breakthrough) sınıfına aldığı yeni bileşiklerin %80'i hedefe yönelik ilaçlardır

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Hedefe Yönelik Tedavi

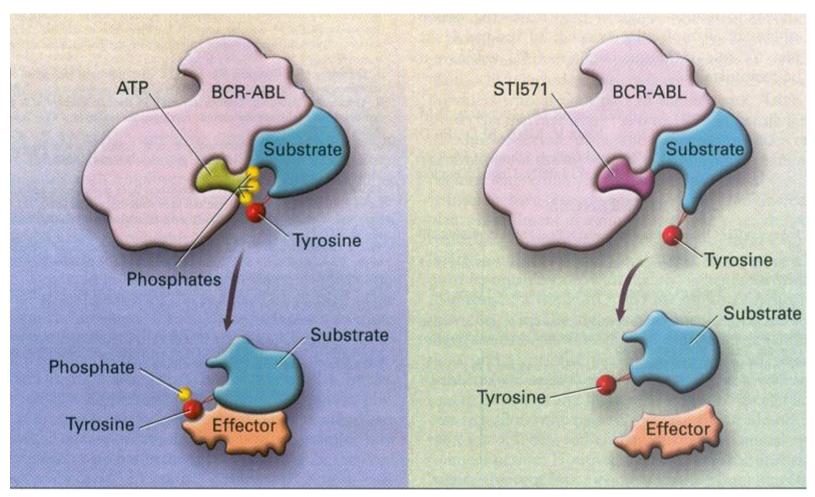
Karsinogenezden sorumlu spesifik moleküler lezyonlara yönelik tedavi

Örnekler:

- Tirozin kinaz yolu (bcr-abl, PDGF, BTK)
- Proteozomal yolaklar
- Yaşam sinyal yolakları (MCL1, BCL2)
- Heat shock proteinleri
- İmmunolojik aktivasyon/tolerans (anti –PD1)

Imatinib Mesylate

Bcr/abl TK
PDGF
C-kit



Goldman JM, Melo JV. N Engl J Med. 344:1084-1086.

T cell activation can be augmented by targeting immune checkpoints

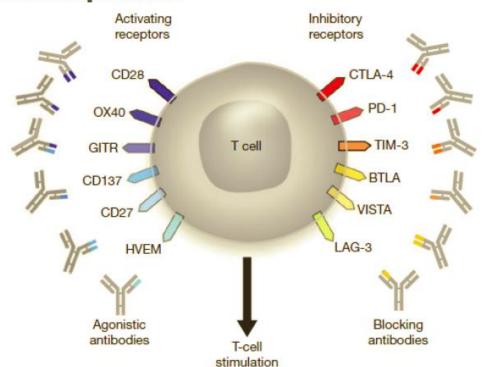


Figure 3 | T cell targets for immunoregulatory antibody therapy. In addition to specific antigen recognition through the TCR, T-cell activation is regulated through a balance of positive and negative signals provided by co-stimulatory receptors. These surface proteins are typically members of either the TNF receptor or B7 superfamilies. Agonistic antibodies directed against activating co-stimulatory molecules and blocking antibodies against negative co-stimulatory molecules may enhance T-cell stimulation to promote tumour destruction.

- Blocking an inhibitory receptor with an antagonist antibody has a net result of enhanced T cell activation
- Activating a costimulatory receptor with an agonist antibody has a net result of enhanced T cell activation

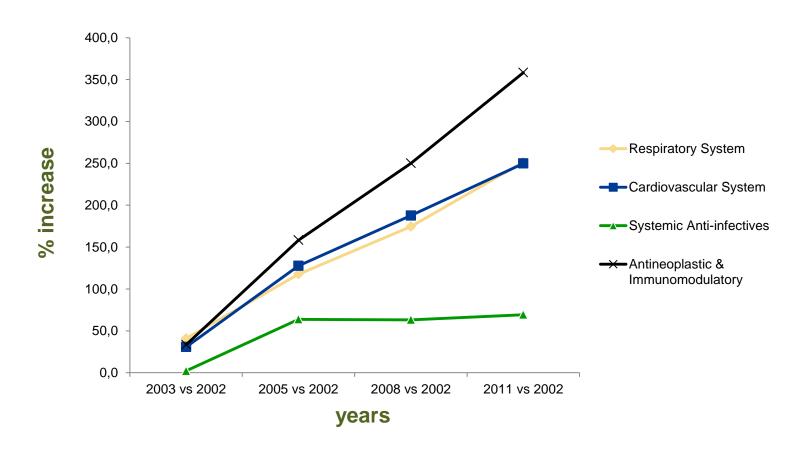
Cancer immunotherapy comes of age

Ira Mellman¹, George Cockov² & Glenn Dranoff⁸

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Yıllar içinde ilaç tüketiminde değişiklik

% increase in consumption amount of some drugs by years





CD19/20 + hücrelerde CD5 ve CD23 ekspresyonu

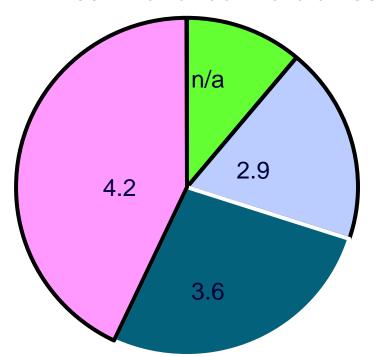
PK >5000 lenfosit (olgun görünümde)

Lenf nodu Bx: SLL

KLL medyan yaş: 72

Ko-morbidite oranı yaşla birlikte artar

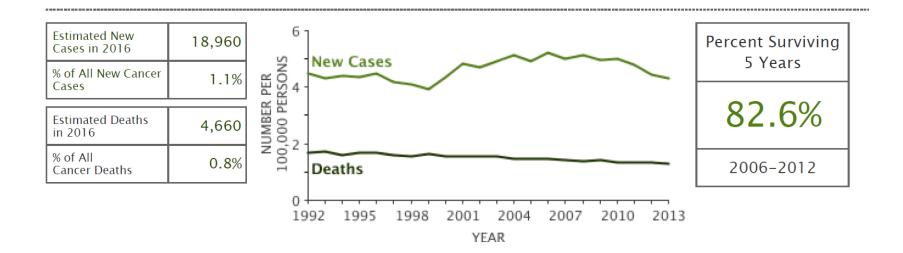
Mean no. of co-morbidities



Age at CLL diagnosis (years)	Patients ¹ (%)	Mean co- morbidities ² (all cancer types, n)
≤ 54	11	n/a
55–64	19	2.9
65–74		
75+	43	4.2

1. Ries LAG, et al. SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1975–2005 Available at: http://seer.cancer.gov/csr/1975_2005/ accessed February 2009 2. Yancik R, *Cancer* 1997; 80:1273–1283

CLL-SEER data



cancer incidence and survival data from population-based cancer registries covering approximately 28 percent of the U.S. population

BINET SINIFLAMASI

Stage A. Hb \geq 10 g/dL and platelets \geq 100 \times 10⁹/L and up to two of the above involved.

Stage B. Hb \geq 10 g/dL and platelets \geq 100 \times 10⁹/L and organomegaly greater than that defined for stage A (i.e. three or more areas of nodal or organ enlargement).

Stage C. All patients who have Hb of less than 10 g/dL and/or a platelet count of less than 100×10^9 /L, irrespective of organomegaly.

TEDAVÍ ENDÍKASYONLARI

- evidence of progressive marrow failure (anemia and/or thrombocytopenia);
- massive (i.e., ≥ 6 cm below the left costal margin) or progressive or symptomatic splenomegaly;
- massive nodes (i.e., ≥ 10 cm in longest diameter) or progressive or symptomatic lymphadenopathy;
- progressive lymphocytosis with an increase of >50% over a 2month period;
- lymphocyte doubling time (LDT) of less than 6 months;
- autoimmune anemia and/or thrombocytopenia that is poorly responsive to corticosteroids or other standard therapy;
- disease-related symptoms such as unintentional weight loss ≥ 10% within the previous 6 months, significant fatigue, fevers of greater than 100.5°F or 38.0°C for 2 or more weeks without other evidence of infection; or night sweats for more than 1 month without evidence of infection.

SUGGESTED TREATMENT REGIMENS^a

(in order of preference)

CLL without del (17p)

 Frail patient, significant co-morbidity (not able to tolerate purine analogs)

See Rituximab and Viral

Reactivation (NHODG-D)

CLL with del (17p) (2 of 4)

See Footnotes for CLL with del (17p) on CSLL-D (2 of 4)

See Suggested Regimens for

- ➤ Chlorambucil ± prednisone
- Rituximab (single)
- ➤ Pulse corticosteroids

First line therapyb

- Age ≥ 70 v
- ► Chlorambucil ± prednisone
- Alkylating agent-based chemotherapy
 - CVP (cyclophosphamide + vincristine + prednisone)
- ➤ Alemtuzumab^c
- ▶ Bendamustine^{d,e}
- ▶ Rituximab
- ➤ Fludarabine^f ± rituximab
- Age < 70 y or older with good co- morbidity index
- - FCR (fludarabine[†] cyclophosphamide^g, rituximab)
 - FR (fludarabine f, rituximab)
 - PCR (pentostatin. cyclophosphamide⁹, rituximab)
- ➤ Purine-analogue therapy^g
- FC (fludarabine f, cyclophosphamide^g)
- Monotherapy
 - Chlorambucil ± prednisone
 - Fludarabine^f
 - Alemtuzumab^c
 - Bendamustine d,e

Relapsed/Refractory therapy

- Long response > 3 y
 - > Retreat as in first line therapy until short response
- Short response < 2 y for age ≥ 70 y
- ▶ Purine-analogue therapy^d
 - Single agent (fludarabine for pentostatin)
 - ♦ FCf,g
- ▶ Chemoimmunotherapy d
 - Reduced-dose PCR^g
 - Reduced-dose FCR^{f,g}
 - Reduced-dose FR^f
 - Bendamustine^{d,e} ± rituximab
- ▶ Ofatumumab
- Dose-dense rituximab
- ► Chemoimmunotherapy^d (preferred) Short response < 2 y for age < 70 y or older with good co-morbidity index
 - ➤ Chemoimmunotherapy d
 - FCR^{f,g}
 - ♦ PCRf,g
 - Bendamustine^{d,e}± rituximab
 - Fludarabine^f + alemtuzumab
 - CHOP + R (cyclophosphamide⁹, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone + rituximab)
 - HyperCVAD + R (cyclophosphamide, vincristine. doxorubicin, and dexamethasone alternating with rituximab plus high-dose methotrexate and cytarabine)
 - EPOCH-R (etoposide, prednisone, vincristine, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin+ rituximab)
 - OFAR (oxaliplatin, fludarabine^f, cytarabine and rituximab)
 - ▶ Ofatumumab
 - ➤ Alemtuzumab + rituximab
 - ▶ HDMP + R (high-dose methylprednisone + rituximab)

Note: All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated.

Clinical Trials: NCCN believes that the best management of any cancer patient is in a clinical trial. Participation in clinical trials is especially encouraged.

Complete Remission in CLL (NCI criteria)

Requires all of the following to be present for two or more months:

- Absence of symptoms attributable to CLL
- Normal findings on physical examination
- Absolute lymphocyte count <4000/microL
- Absolute neutrophil count >1500/microL
- Platelet count >100,000/microL
- Hemoglobin concentration >11 g/dL (untransfused)
- Bone marrow lymphocytosis <30 percent
- No nodules (lymphoid aggregates) on bone marrow biopsy

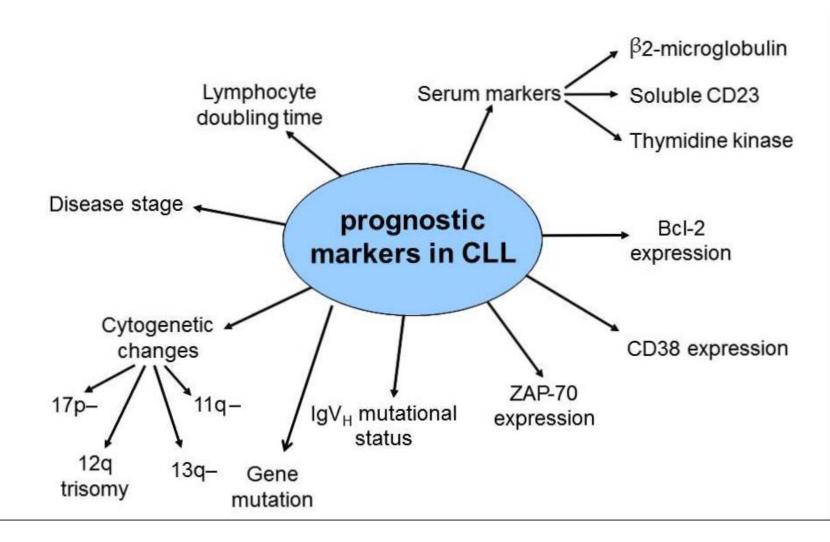
Cheson BD et al . Blood 1996; 87:4990

- CR, definition in general practice:
 - blood lymphocytes < 4000/μl
 - BM lymphoid cells ≤ 30%
- Definition in clinical trials with CR as an endpoint:
 - CT negative
 - MRD assessment
 - BM biopsy with immunohistochemistry or flow cytometry (according to MRD definition)

CD	MRD+	
CR	MRD-	
DD	MRD+	
PR	MRD-	

Figure 1. Definition of response in CLL, as proposed by the iwCLL 2008 guidelines [26]. MRD, minimal residual disease. CR, complete remission. PR, partial remission.

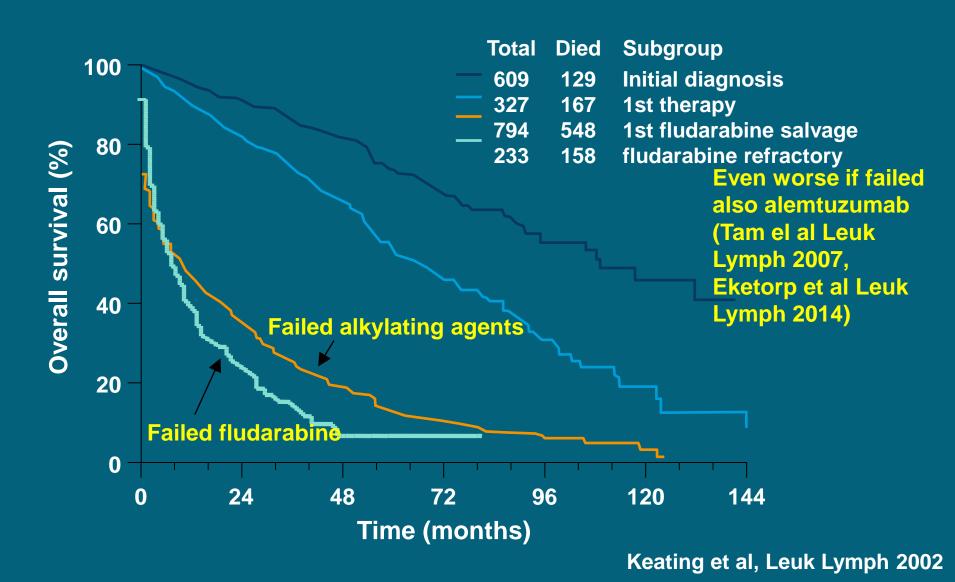
KLL: Prognostik faktörler



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Marker	Low risk	High risk
Genomic aberrations	None, 13q-	11q-, 17p-
IgV_H	Mutated	Unmutated
CD38	≤ 30%	> 30%
ZAP-70	< 20%	≥ 20%
β2-microglobulin	< 4 mg/l)	≥ 4 mg/l

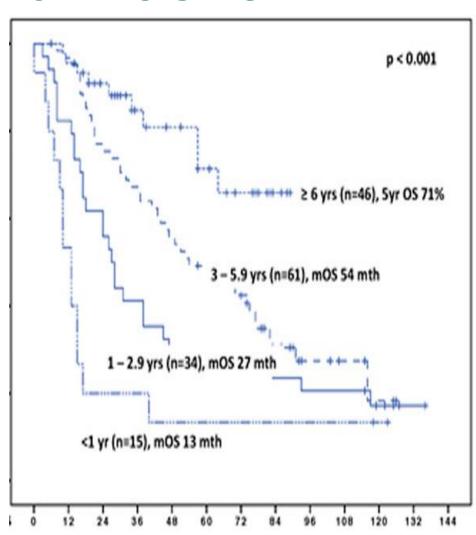
Konvansiyonel Tedaviye Refrakter KLL'de Prognoz



FCR YANIT SÜRESİ ve PROGNOZ

- 2.sıra tedavi uygulanan hastalar için son yıllara kadar prognoz olumlu şekilde değişmemiştir.
- daha önce FCR almış ve ilk 3 yıl içinde nüks gösteren hastalar konvansiyonel rejimler ile tedavi edildiklerinde sağkalımları aldıkları rejimin ne olduğuna bakmaksızın kısa bir sağkalım periyoduna sahip olmaktadırlar

Tam CS et al Blood. 2014;124: 3059-3064.



YÜKSEK RİSK KLL TANIMI

- 17p-
- Pürin Analog Refrakter
- Doz yoğun tedaviden sonra iki yıl içinde nüks

FCR

 İmmünglobulin ağır zincir variable gen (IGHV) mutasyonu taşıyanlar dahil ve del 17p ve 11q taşıyanlar hariç olmak üzere düşük risk hastaların ortalama %60'ı, 10 yıllık takipte remisyonda kalacaktır.

 IGHV mutasyonlu ve MRD negatif hastalarda progresyonsuz sağ kalım 13 yılda % 80'dir

Thompson PA, Blood 2015

FCR toksisitesi olan bir rejimdir

	Chemotherapy (n=396)	Chemoimmunotherapy (n=404)	p value	<65 years (n=560)	≥65 years (n=240)	p value
Total number of patients with at least one grade 3 or 4 event	249 (63%)	309 (76%)	<0.0001	375 (67%)	183 (76%)	0.009
Haematological toxicity	157 (40%)	225 (56%)	<0.0001	254 (45%)	128 (53%)	0.04
Neutropenia	83 (21%)	136 (34%)	<0.0001	146 (26%)	73 (30%)	0.21
Leucocytopenia	48 (12%)	97 (24%)	<0.0001	106 (19%)	39 (16%)	0.37
Thrombocytopenia	44 (11%)	30 (7%)	0.07	50 (9%)	24 (10%)	0.63
Anaemia	27 (7%)	22 (5%)	0.42	35 (6%)	14 (6%)	0.82
Autoimmune haemolytic anaemia	4 (1%)	3 (<1%)	0.69	4 (<1%)	3 (1%)	0.46
Tumour lysis syndrome	2 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	0.55	3 (<1%)	0	0.26
Cytokine release syndrome	0	1 (<1%)	0.32	1 (<1%)	0	0.51
Infections, total	85 (21%)	103 (25%)	0.18	127 (23%)	61 (25%)	0.4
Infections, not specified	68 (17%)	83 (21%)	0.19	104 (19%)	46 (19%)	0.84
Bacterial infection	5 (1%)	11 (3%)	0.14	6 (1%)	10 (4%)	0.004
Viral infection	17 (4%)	17 (4%)	0.95	26 (5%)	8 (3%)	0.4
Fungal infection	1 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	0.33	3 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	0.83
Parasitic infection	0	1 (<1%)	0.32	0	1 (<1%)	0.13

Data are number (%), unless otherwise indicated. Chemotherapy=fludarabine and cyclophosphamide. Chemoimmunotherapy=fludarabine, cyclophosphamide, and rituximab.

Table 6: Incidence of grade 3 and 4 adverse events

FCR'a alternatif tedavi?

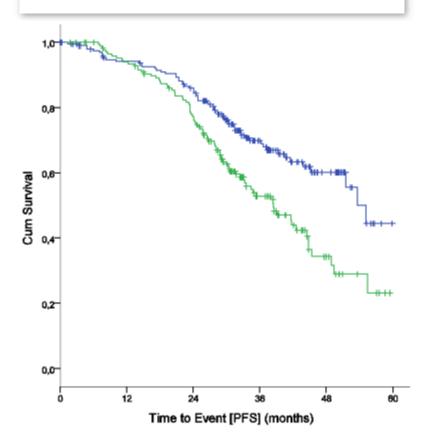
CLL10 STUDY: FCR VS BR IN FRONT-LINE



Progression-free survival by age group

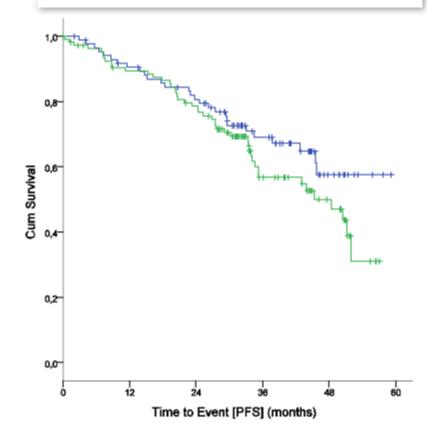
Patients \leq 65 years: P < 0.001

FCR 53.6 months BR 38.5 months



Patients > 65 years: P = 0.170

FCR not reached BR 48.5 months



FCR VS BR (CLL10): Yan Etkiler

Adverse event	FCR (% of pt)	BR (% of pt)	p value
All Infections	39.1	26.8	<0.001
Infections during therapy only	22.6	17.3	0.1
Infections during first 5 months after therapy	11.8	3.6	<0.001
All infections in patients ≤ 65years	35.2	27.5	0.1
All infections in patients > 65 years	47.7	20.6	<0.001

Eichhorst et al. ASH 2014: abstract 19 (oral presentation)

Fichhorst et al. Lancet Opcol 2016:S1470-

R-benda: >65 formda hastalar

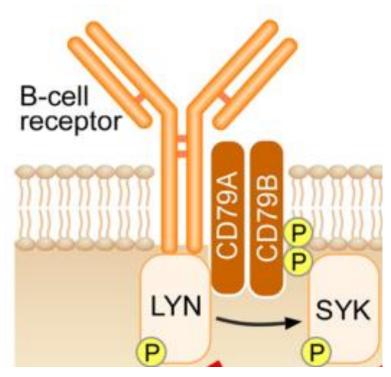
R-FC: <65 yaş formda hastalar

B hücre reseptörü ve sinyal yolaklarının önemi

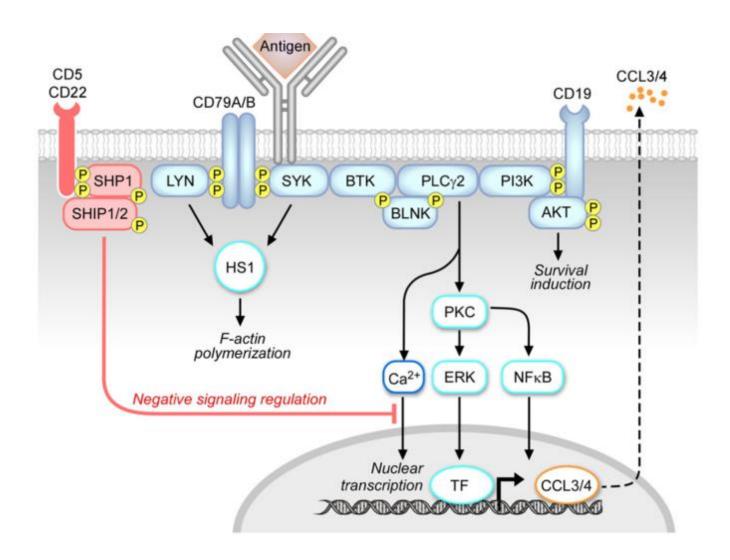
- B hücre reseptörü (B-cell receptor /BCR) tüm B hücrelerinde bulunur ve 2 ana fonksiyonu vardır:
- > Yabancı antijenleri tanımak
- ➤ B hücrelerinin matürasyonu, sağkalımı, proliferasyonu ve immün yanıta katılımı için klonal seleksiyonda sinyalizasyon yolaklarını başlatmak
- BCR sinyalizasyonu, PI3Kδ, BTK, Syk, Lyn, and ZAP70 gibi proteinler aracılığı ile iletilir

B hücre reseptörü

 antijen-specific surface immunoglobulin (slg) ve the lg-α/lg-ß hetero-dimerlerden (CD79A, CD79B) oluşan multimerik bir komplekstir

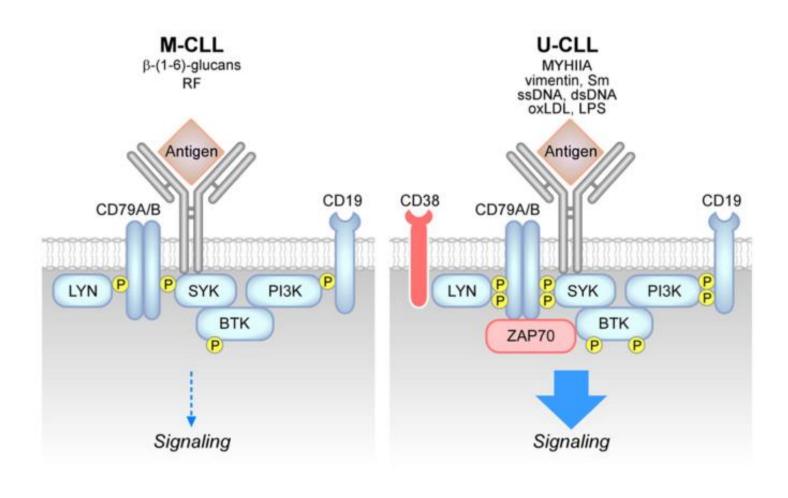


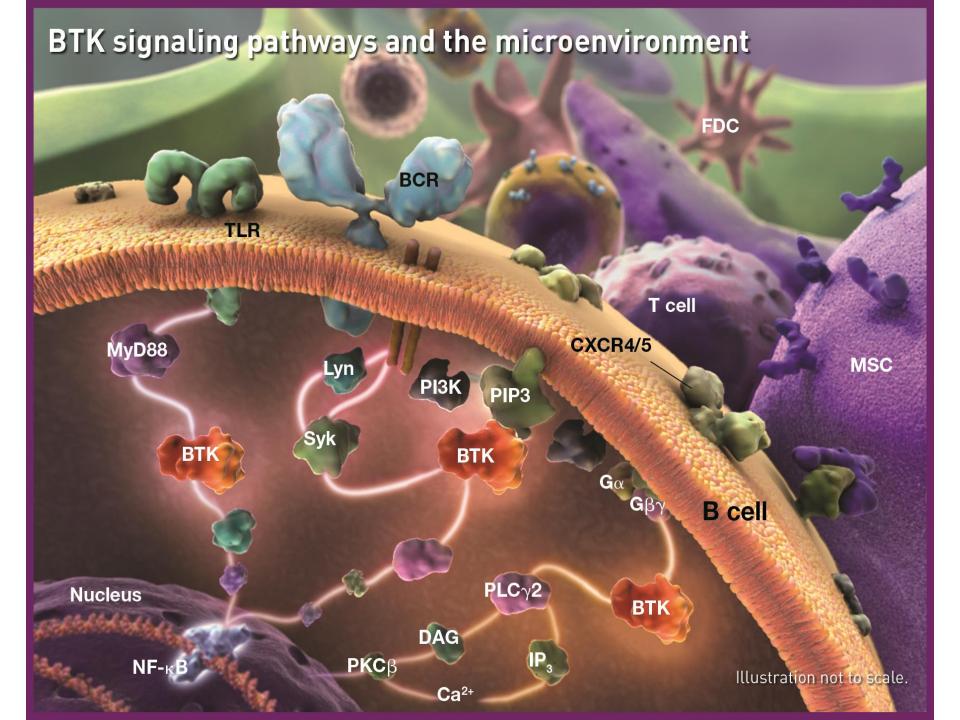
BCR SİNYAL YOLAĞI



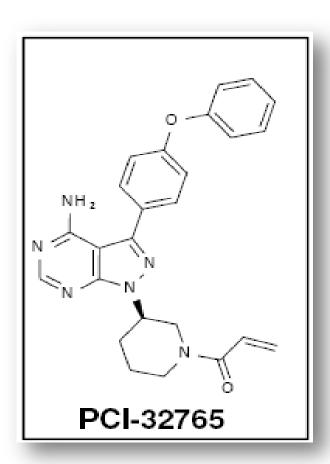
- B hücre reseptör (BHR) sinyal yolağı mikro çevre etkileşimi ile
 KLL patogenezinde önemli rol oynamaktadır
- BHR'ünün IgVH (immün globülin ağır zincir değişken bölge geni) mutasyonlarının prognostik değeri tanımlanmış
- Bu yolağın kendi kendine aktivitesinin sebepleri? antijenik uyarım teorisi? yolağı aktive eden evrensel bir antijen, patojen veya süperantijen tespit edilememiştir

Mutasyonlu ve mutasyonsuz IgVH

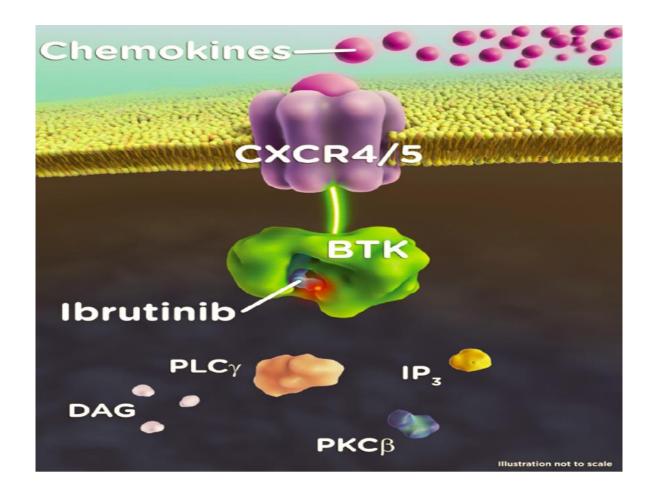




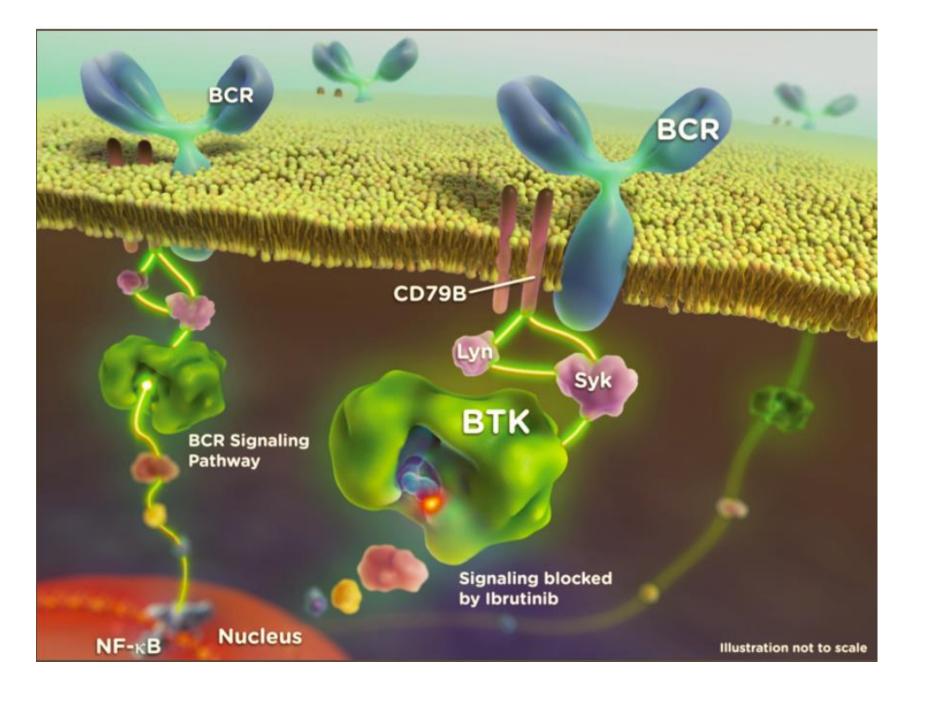
İbrutinib: Bruton Tirozin Kinaz (BTK) İnhibitörü



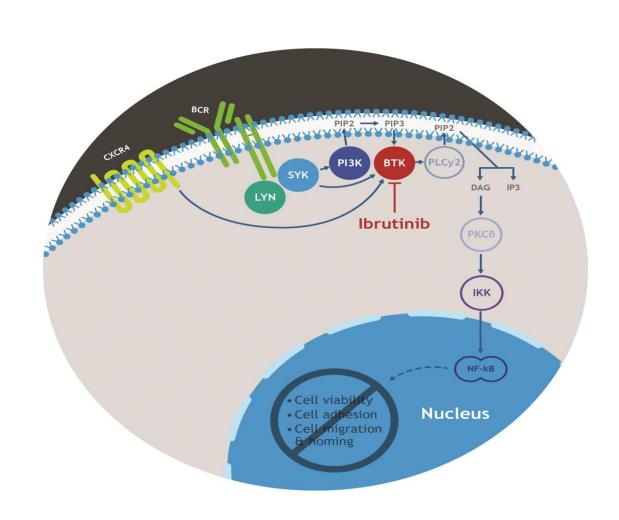
- Bruton Tirozin Kinaz (BTK) inhibitörüdür ve oral olarak uygulanır
- Oldukça güçlü BTK inhibisyonu (sistein 481 kovalent) yapar
- Malign B hücrelerinde:
 - Proliferasyonu, adhezyonu, yerleşmeyi inhibe eder,
 - Apoptozu indükler.
- T veya NK hücreleri üzerinde sitotoksik etkisi yoktur



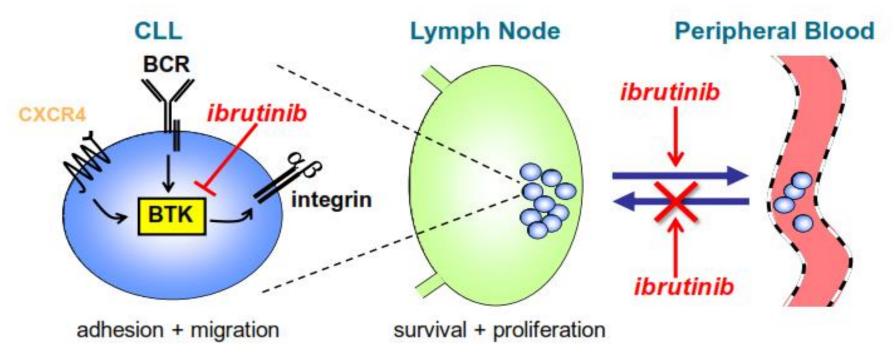
The binding of Ibrutinib to Bruton's tyrosine kinase (BTK) can block chemokine signaling in the malignant B cell



Ibrutinib, Bcr sinyal yolağında Btk inhibisyonu ile anti neoplastik etkisini gösterir



Mechanism of Action of Ibrutinib in CLL



de Rooij MF, et al. Blood. 2012; 119:2590-2594.

American Society of Clinical Oncology 2014, PCYC 1102/1103, O'Brien et al.

- Ibrutinib, a first-in-class, oral, covalent inhibitor of Bruton's tyrosine kinase (BTK)
 - promotes apoptosis
 - inhibits B-cell proliferation
 - inhibits cell adhesion and migration

Lenfositoz

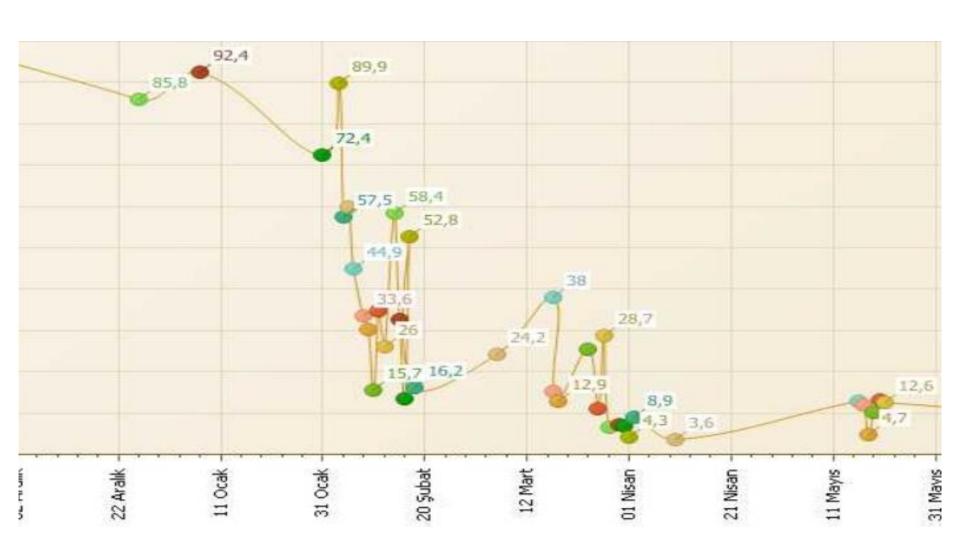
- İbrutinib tedavisiyle, çoğunlukla lenfadenopati azalmasıyla parelel olan lenfosit sayısında geri dönüşümlü artış gözlenmiştir (başlangıca göre ≥ %50 ve 5000/mcL mutlak sayı üzerinde artış)
- CLL/SLL: coğu hastada gözlenmiştir (%75.2)
- Lenfositoz tipik olarak ibrutinib tedavisinin ilk birkaç haftasında meydana gelir (medyan süre 1.1 hafta) ve tipik olarak medyan iyileşme süresi MCL hastalarında 8.0 hafta ve CLL/SLL hastalarında 18.7 haftadır





Images provided by Susan M. O'Brien, MD.

İbrutinib-lenfositoz ilişkisi





Endikasyon

- Ibrutinib, Monoterapi 420 mg/gün (140mgx3kapsül)
- KLL'de FDA¹ onayını 12 Şubat 2014, EC onayını² da, 17 Ekim 2014 tarihinde almıştır.

Ibrutinib Endikasyon Bilgisi







CLL leukemia (CLL)/Small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL)

& CLL/SLL with 17p deletion.

Chronic lymphocytic

IMBRUVICA is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) who have received at least one prior therapy, or in first line in the presence of 17p deletion or TP53 mutation in patients unsuitable for chemoimmunotherapy.

IMBRUVICA,

70 yaş üzeri olup CIRS* > 6 olması nedeniyle kemoimmünterapiye uygun olmayan del 17p/TP53 mutasyonu pozitif olan kronik lenfositik lösemi (KLL) olgularının ilk basamak tedavisinde,

70 yaş ve üzeri veya CIRS > 6 olması nedeniyle kemoterapiye uygun olmayan ve ilk basamak tedaviye yanıtsız/nüks KLL hastalarında ikinci basamak tedavide,

CIRS ≤ 6 olup kemo-immünterapiye uygun olan ve del 17p/TP53 pozitif KLL olgularında ilk basamak tedavi sonrası yanıtsızlık/nüks durumunda ikinci basamak tedavide endikedir.

CIRS < 6 olup kemo-immünterapiye uygun olan KLL hastalarında iki seri tedaviye rağmen yanıtsızlık/nüks durumunda üçüncü basamak tedavide endikedir.

for treatment of

Mantle cell lymphoma

(MCL) who have

(MCL) who have received at least one

IMBRUVICA is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with relapsed or refractory mantle

IMBRUVICA, en az 3 kür rituksimab ve alkilleyici ajan kombinasyonu sonrası nüks eden veya dirençli olan veya otolog kök hücre nakli sonrası nüks eden mantle hücreli lenfomada (MHL) endikedir.

KLL' de Imbruvica'nın onaylı endikasyonları

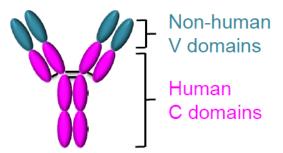
Imbruvica KLL endikasyonlar	Koşullar
1.Sıra tedavide (Del 17p/TP53 mutasyonlu)	≥70 yaş olup CIRS >6 olan
2.Sıra tedavide	CIRS ≤ 6 olan del17p /TP53
(ilk basamak tedavi	mutasyonlu
sonucu RR KLL hastaları)	≥70 yaş <u>veya</u> CIRS >6 olan
≥ 3 Sıra tedavide	
(2 seri tedavi sonucu *CIRS: Cumulative Illness Rating Imbruvica KSa urun pilgisi. 9.9.2016	RR KLL hastaları Scale; RR KLL: Relaps Refrakter Kronik Lenfositik

Monoklonal Antikorlar için Uluslararası Tescilli olmayan İlaç İsimleri (Non proprietary drug names -INNs)

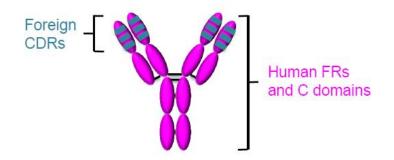
1990'da «mab» eki monoklonal antikorlar için kök olarak kabul edilmiştir

1997'de antikor kaynağını belirtmek için sub kökler geliştirilmiştir

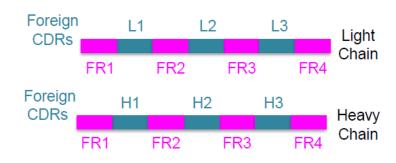
Common Antibody Origin	INN Substem	Representative Examples
Chimeric	-xi-	Abciximab, Rituximab, Infliximab, Cetuximab
Humanized	-zu-	Palivizumab, Trastuzumab, Bevacizumab, Natalizumab
Human	-u-	Adalimumab, Panitumumab Golimumab, Ipilimumab



Kimerik Antikorlar -ximab



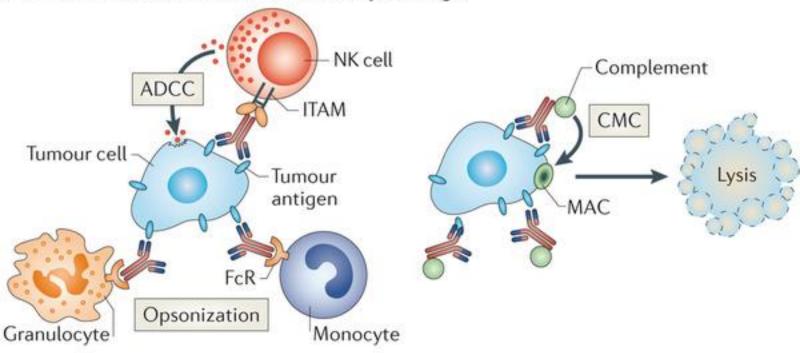
Humanize antikorlar -zumab



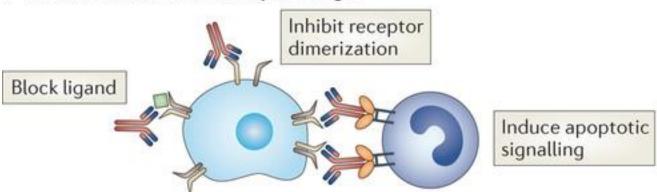
Complementarity determining regions (CDR)

Variable bölgelerin sekans analizi: <%85 –ximab, ≥ %85 –zumab veya -umab

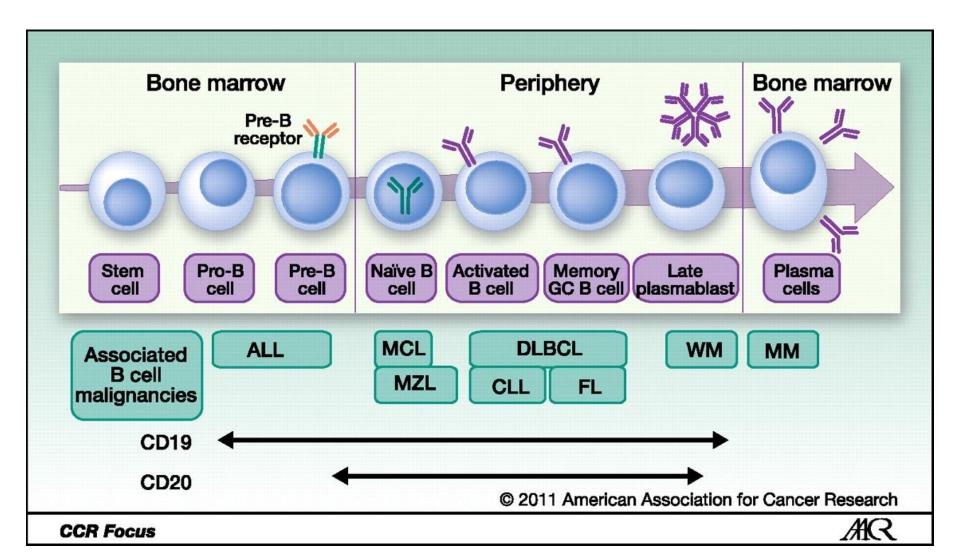
a Immune-mediated effects of tumour-specific IgG



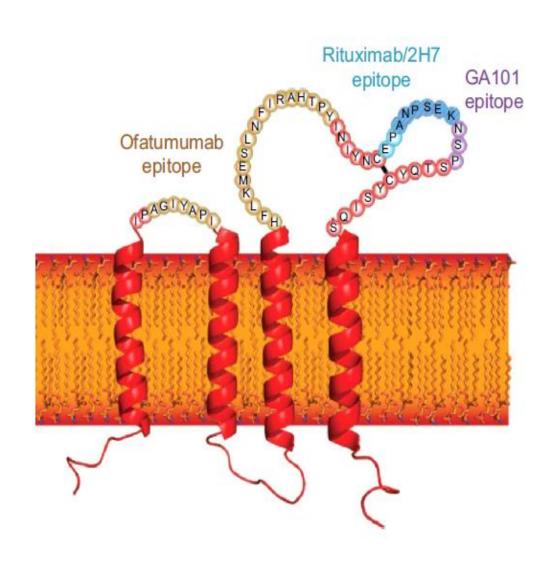
b Direct effects of tumour-specific IgG



CD 20 Ekspresyonu



CD20 yi hedefleyen antikorların epitop etkileşimleri

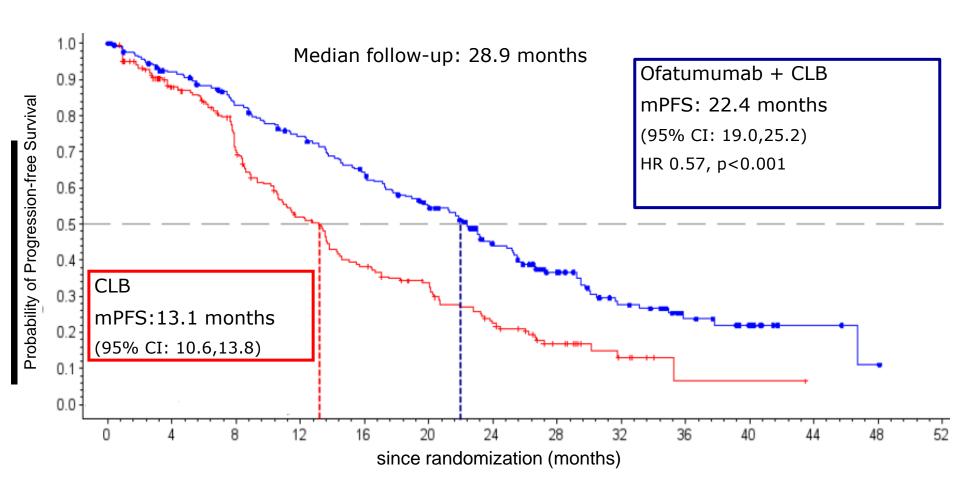


Anti-CD20 monoklonal antikorların etkileri

Table I Mechanisms of cell death by anti-CD20 monoclonal antibodies

	Rituximab	Ofatumumab	Obinutuzumab
Antibody type	Туре І	Туре І	Туре II
Format	Chimeric	Humanized	Humanized
CD20 binding site	Large loop	Large and small loops,	Large loop
		closer to cell membrane	
Localization to lipid rafts	Yes	Yes	No
Complement-dependent cytotoxicity	High	High	Low
Antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity	Low	Low	High
Direct cell death	Low	Low	High

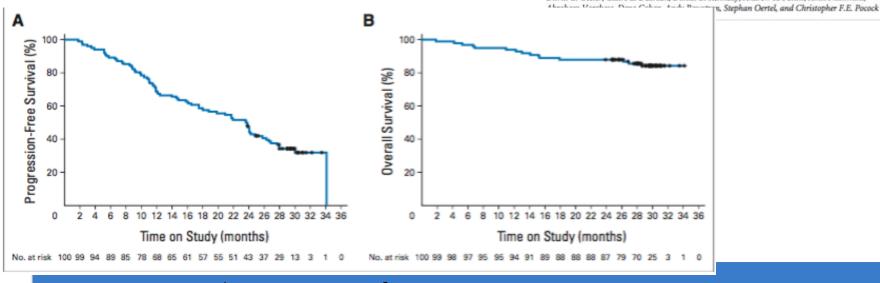
Chemoimmunotherapy improves outcomes in patients not fit for FCR



R-KLORAMBUSIL

Rituximab Plus Chlorambucil As First-Line Treatment for Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia: Final Analysis of an Open-Label Phase II Study

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N= 100, medyan yaş: 70, un-fit

ORR: %84, CR: %10 (IgVH mut olanlarda CR ve PR oranları yüksek)

Medyan 30 ay izlem sonunda:

PFS: 23.5 ay

OS: ulaşılamamış.

İYİ TOLERE EDİLEBİLEN ETKİN BİR TEDAVİ OLUP R-FC İÇİN UYGUN OLMAYAN UN-FIT OLGULARDA BİR SEÇENEK OLABİLİR

NDC 50242-070-01

Gazyva® (obinutuzumab) Injection

1000 mg/40 mL (25 mg/mL)

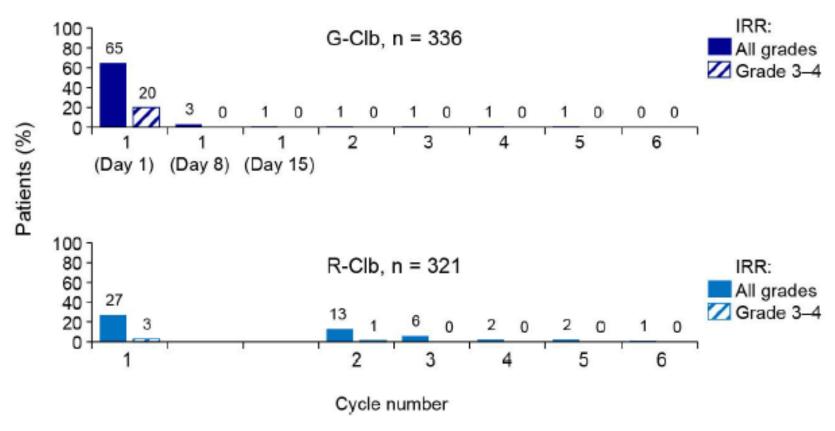
For Intravenous Infusion After Dilution. Single-Dose Vial. Discard Unused Portion. No preservative.

1 vial



CLL11: IRR

Figure S2. All grade and grade 3-4* infusion-related reactions by day of infusion†



^{*}There were no grade 5 IRR.

DOSING SCHEDULE

WEEK 1

CYCLE 1



FIRST 100 mg

Administer at 25 mg/hr over 4 hours. Do not increase the infusion rate

REMAINING 900 mg

Administer at 50 mg/hr. The rate of the infusion can be escalated in increments of 50 mg/hr every 30 minutes to a maximum rate of 400 mg/hr

WEEK 1



If no infusion reaction occurred during the previous infusion and the final infusion rate was 100 mg/hr or faster, infusions can be started at a rate of 100 mg/hr and increased by 100 mg/hr increments every 30 minutes to a maximum of 400 mg/hr



SUBSEQUENT INFUSIONS

If no infusion reaction occurred during the previous infusion and the final infusion rate was 100 mg/hr or faster, infusions can be started at a rate of 100 mg/hr and increased by 100 mg/hr increments every 30 minutes to a maximum of 400 mg/hr

WEEKS 2-4

NO INFUSION GIVEN

Premedikasyon-prospektüs bilgisi

Ne zaman?

- ➤ Birinci siklus 1 ve 2. günlerde tam premedikasyon
- Bir önceki infüzyonda grade 2-3 infüzyon ilişkili reaksiyon olduysa veya bir sonraki tedaviden önce lenfosit sayımı ≥ 25.000/mm3 ise tam premedikasyon
- ➤ Diğer sikluslarda ve hastalarda sadece asetaminofen ve anti histaminik

Premedication	Administration
Intravenous glucocorticoid: 20 mg dexamethasone or 80 mg methylprednisolone*	Completed at least 1 hour prior to GAZYVA infusion.
650–1000 mg acetaminophen anti-histamine (e.g., 50 mg diphenhydramine)	At least 30 minutes before GAZYVA infusion.

YENİ JENERASYON BCL-2 İNHİBİTÖRLERİ: ABT-199 (Venatoclax)

BCL-2 sequesters the proteins BAX & BAK, allowing the CLL cell to evade death.



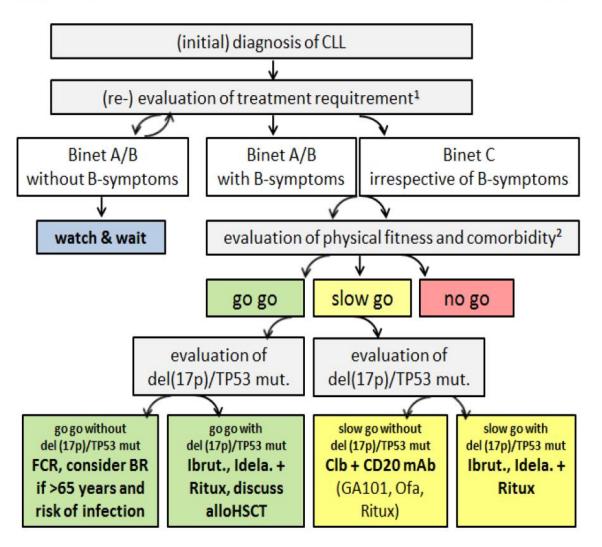
ABT199 blocks BCL-2, releasing BAX and BAK, which trigger cell death.



The Mechanism of Action of ABT-199: A. BCL-2 normally traps and inactivates the proteins (BAX and BAK) that would cause a CLL cell to die, tilting the balance towards signals from the proteins that promote cell growth and proliferation. ABT-199 inactivates BCL-2, releasing BAX and BAK, which trigger the death of the CLL cell.

Therapeutic algorithm of the GCLLSG (April 2015)





²⁾ Gribben, Blood 2009