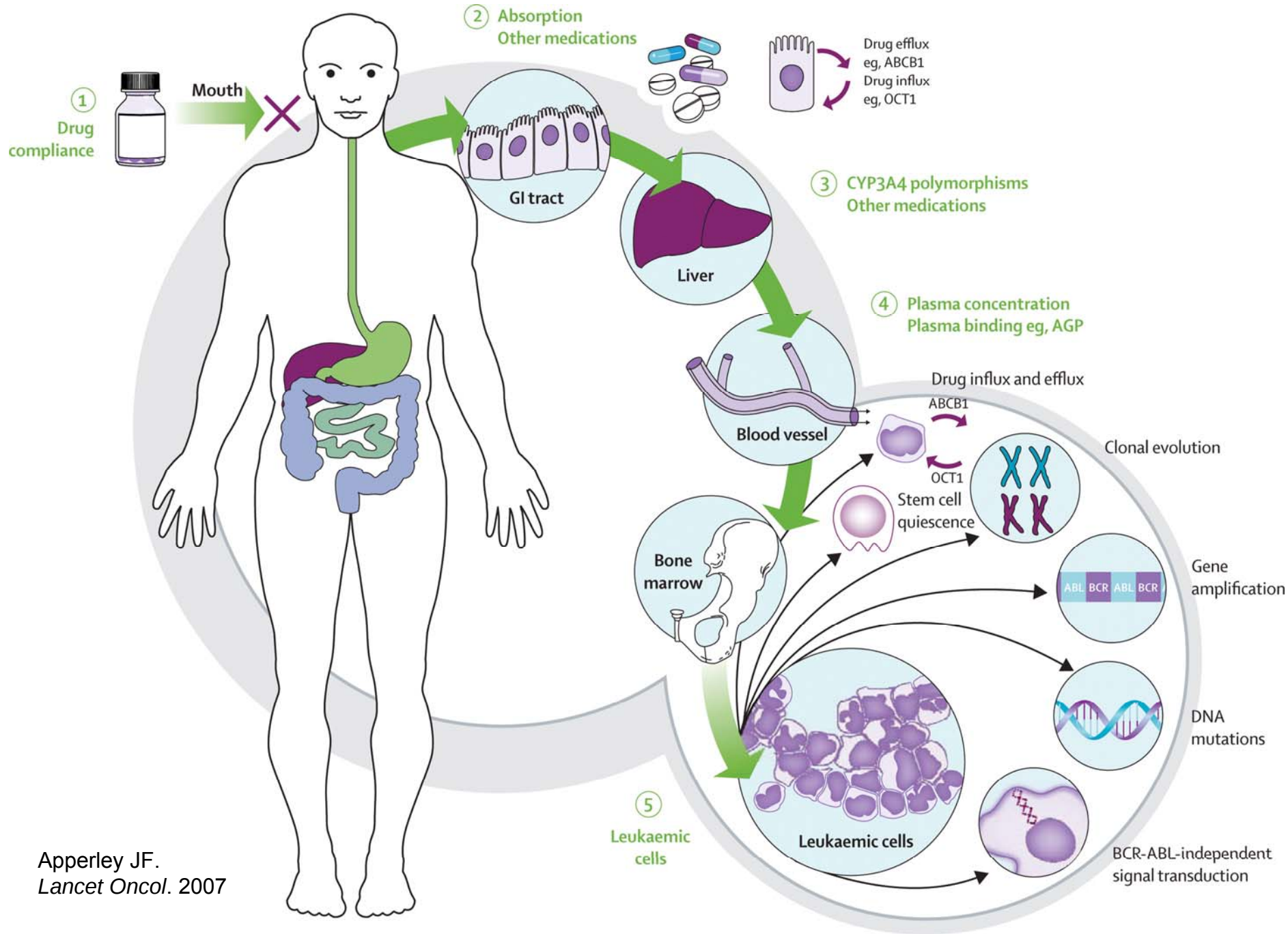
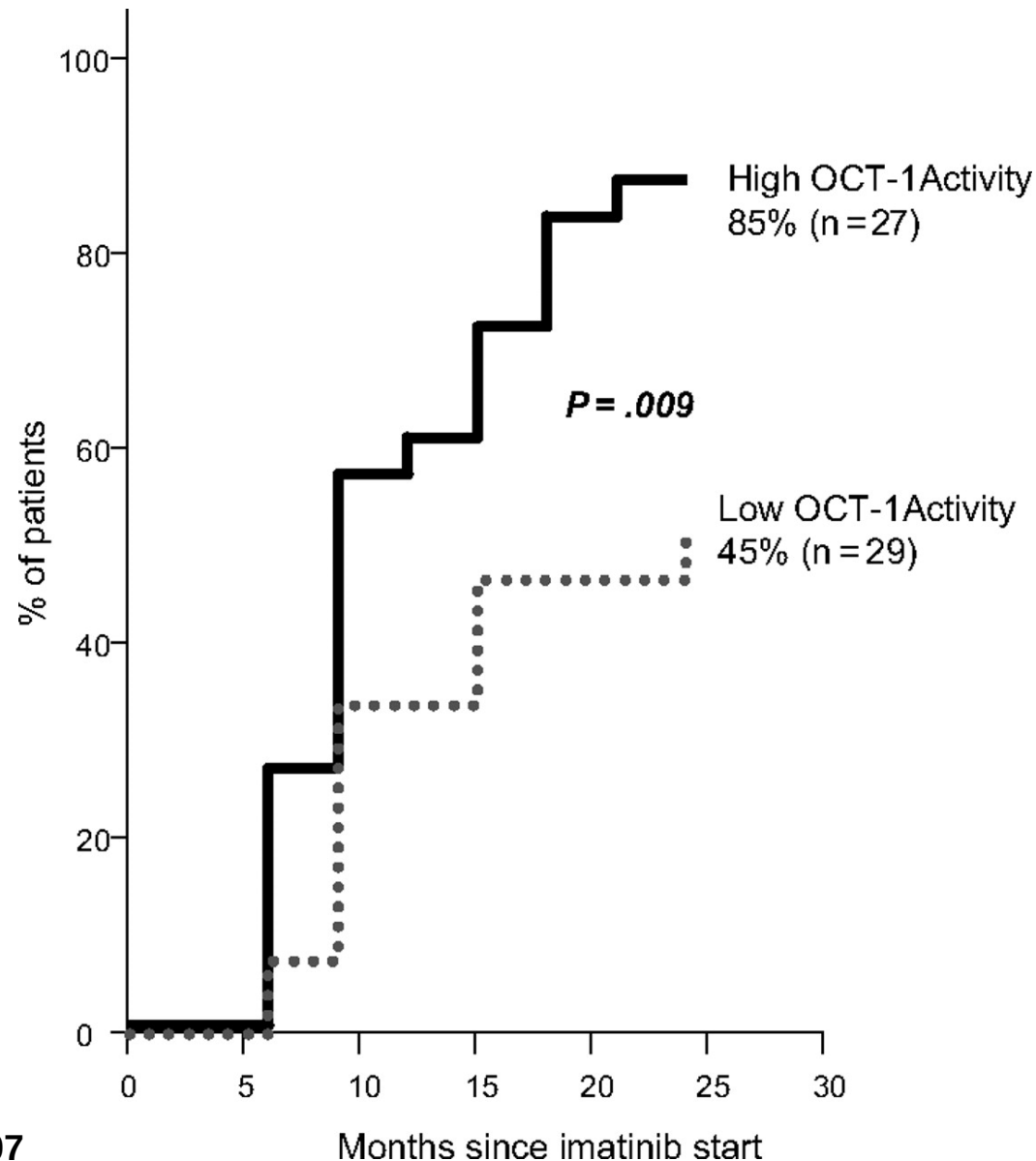


Imatinib dose intensification, combination therapies

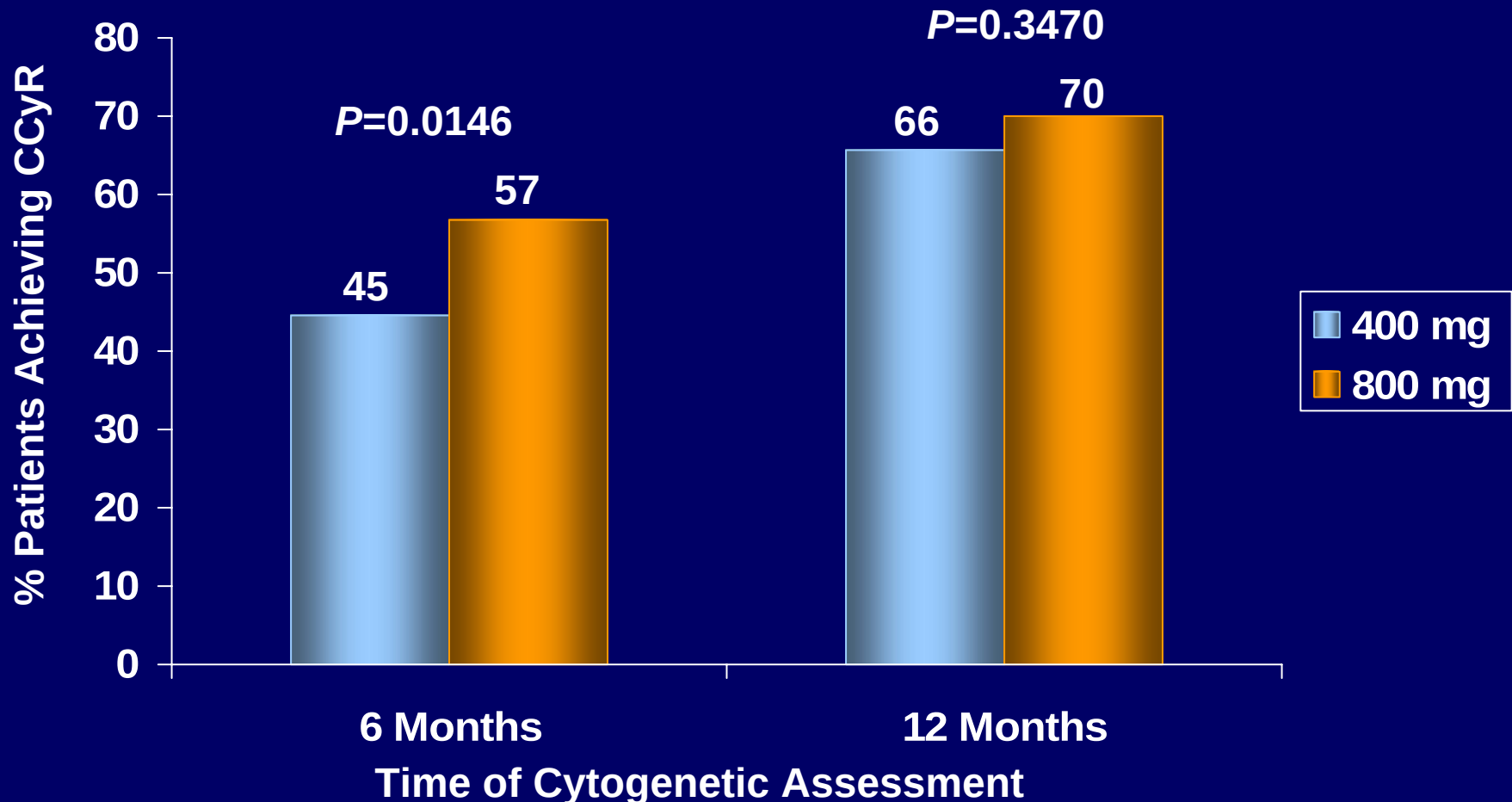
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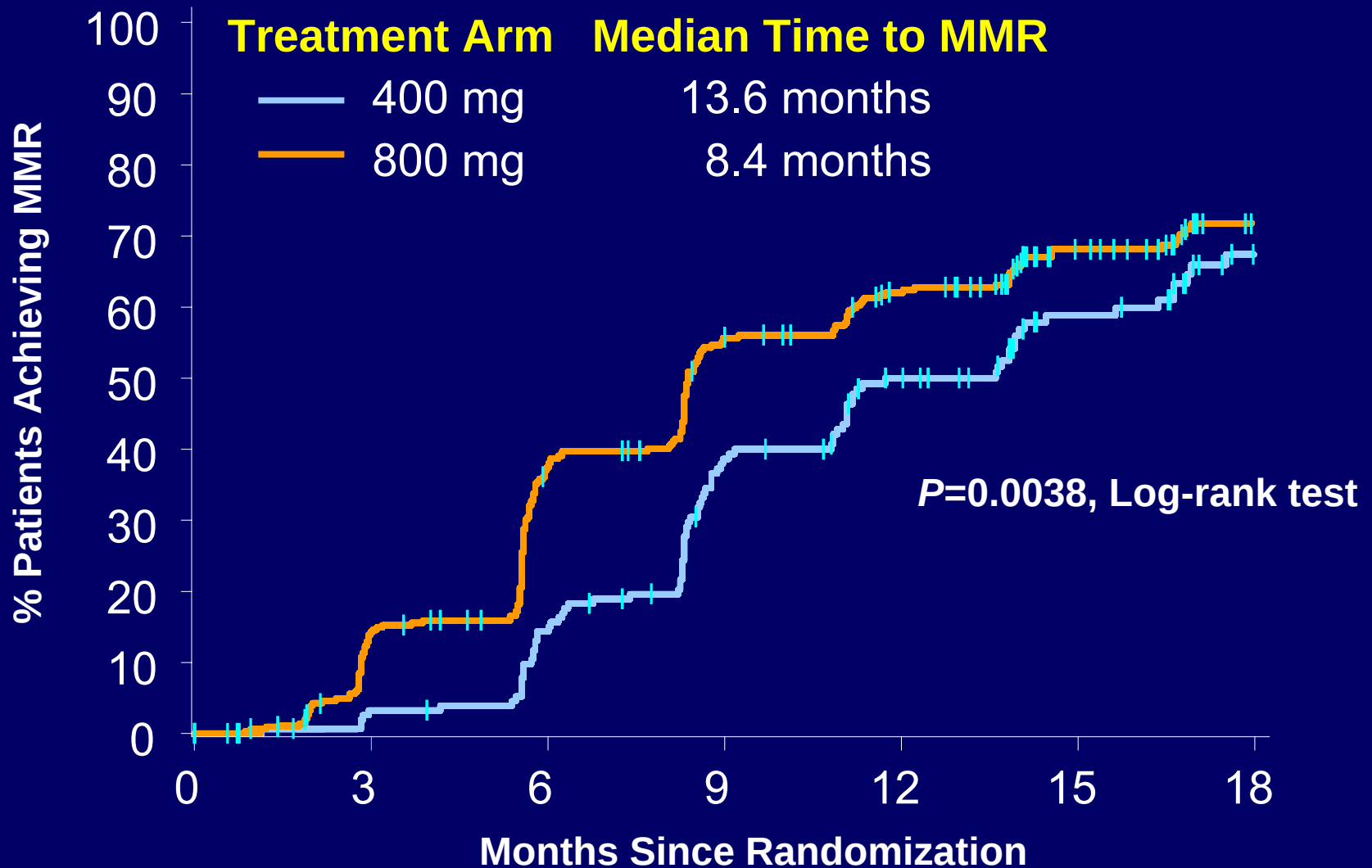
High OCT-1 activity is associated with faster MMR in imatinib treated CML patients



Imatinib 400 mg vs 800 mg in CML-CP: Complete Cytogenetic Response Rates



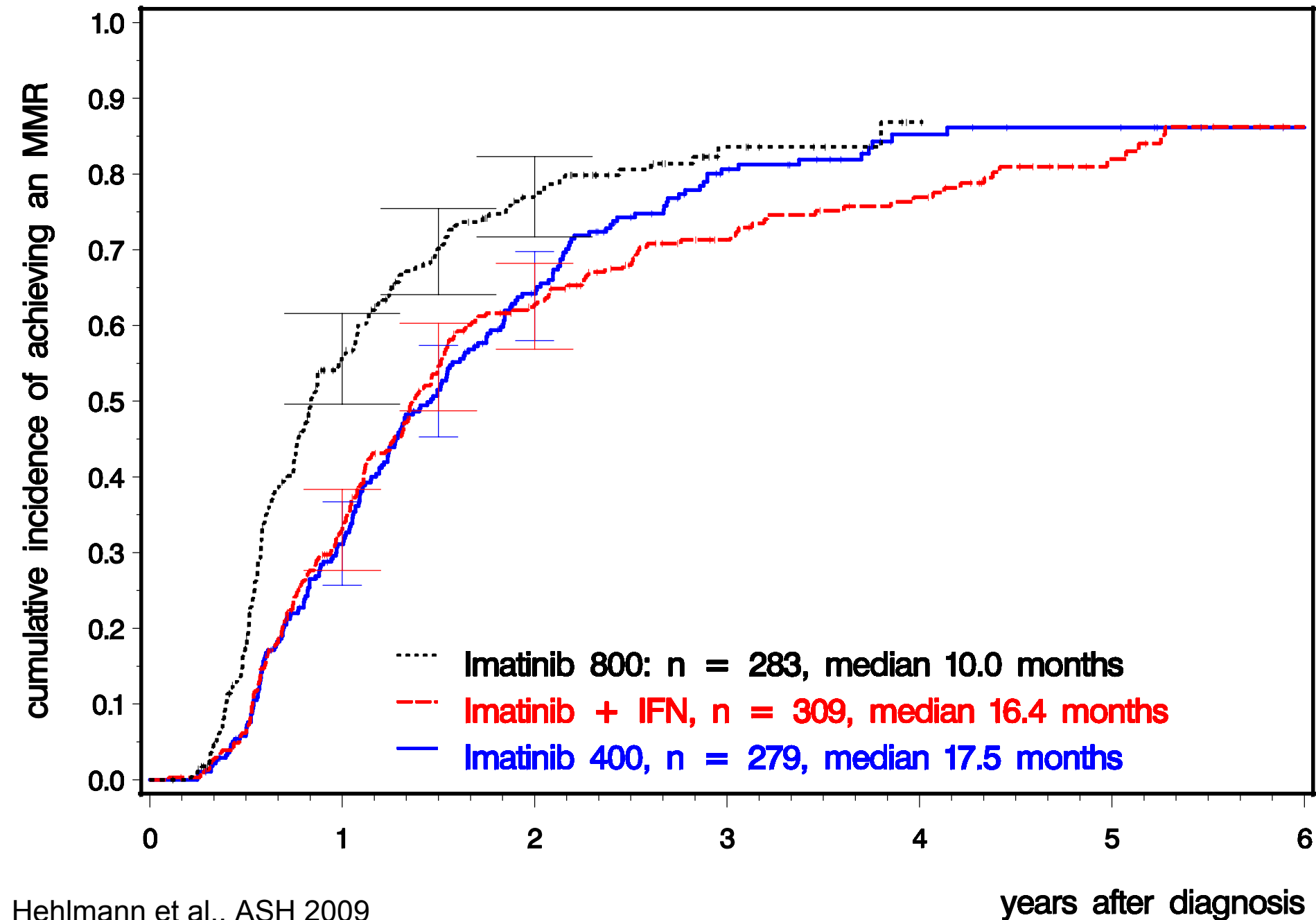
Imatinib 400 mg vs 800 mg in CML-CP: Time to First MMR by Treatment Arm



Imatinib 400 mg vs 800 mg in CML-CP: Patient Disposition at 12 Months

Disposition	No. (%)	
	400 mg N=157	800 mg N=319
Still on treatment	145 (92.4)	288 (90.3)
Discontinued treatment	12 (7.6)	31 (9.7)
Adverse events	2 (1.3)	18 (5.6)
Abnormal laboratory values	1 (0.6)	1 (0.3)
Unsatisfactory therapeutic effect	6 (3.8)	6 (1.9)
Protocol violation	2 (1.3)	1 (0.3)
Subject withdrew consent	0	2 (0.6)
Lost to follow-up	0	2 (0.6)
Administrative problems	1 (0.6)	1 (0.3)

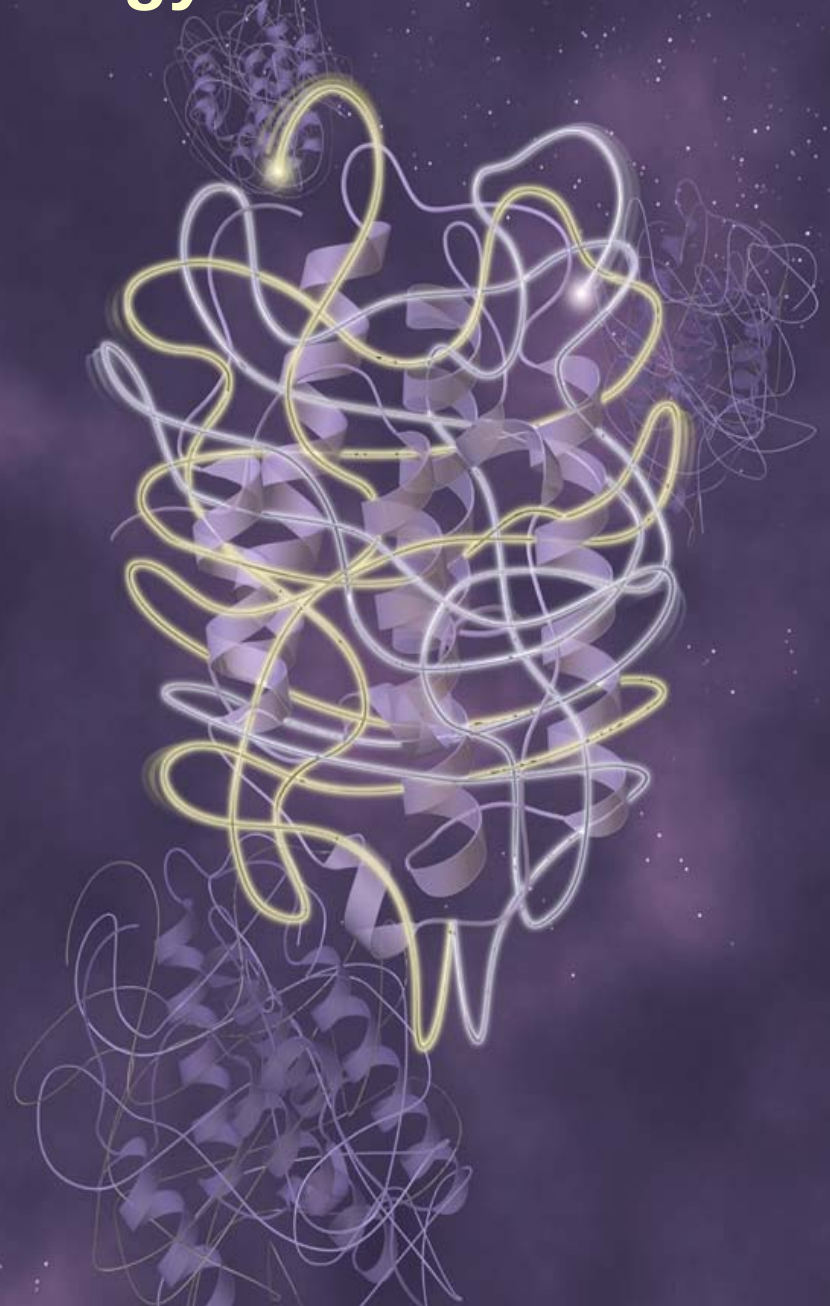
German CML IV Trial: Time to MMR by therapy



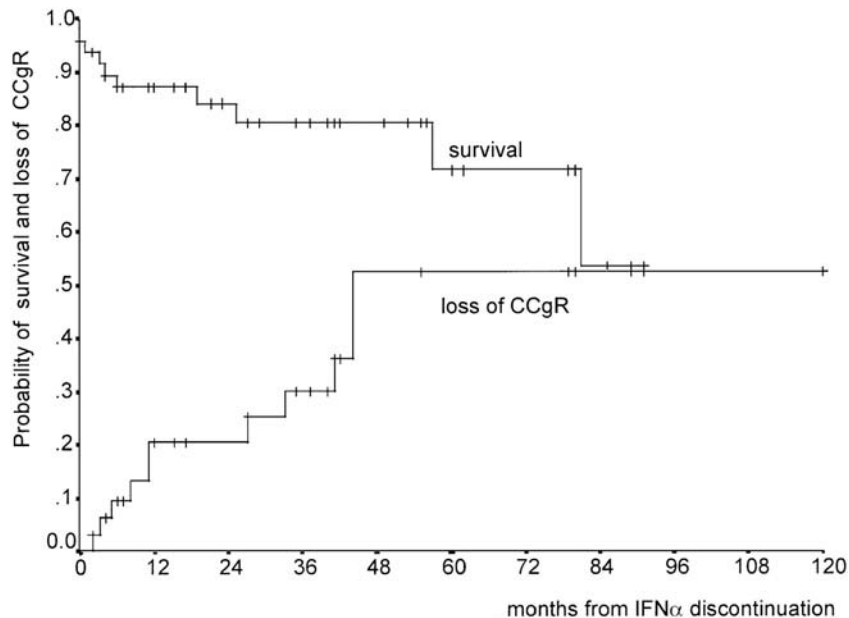
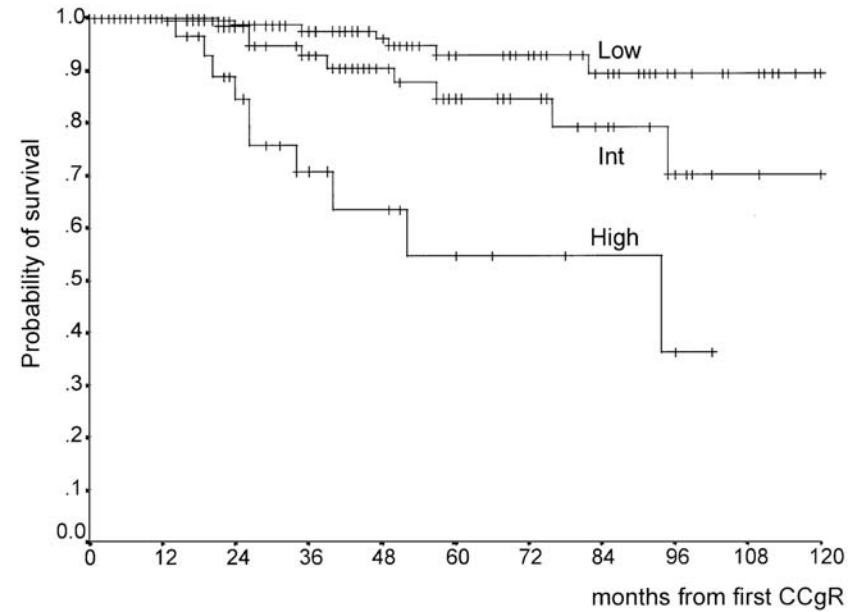
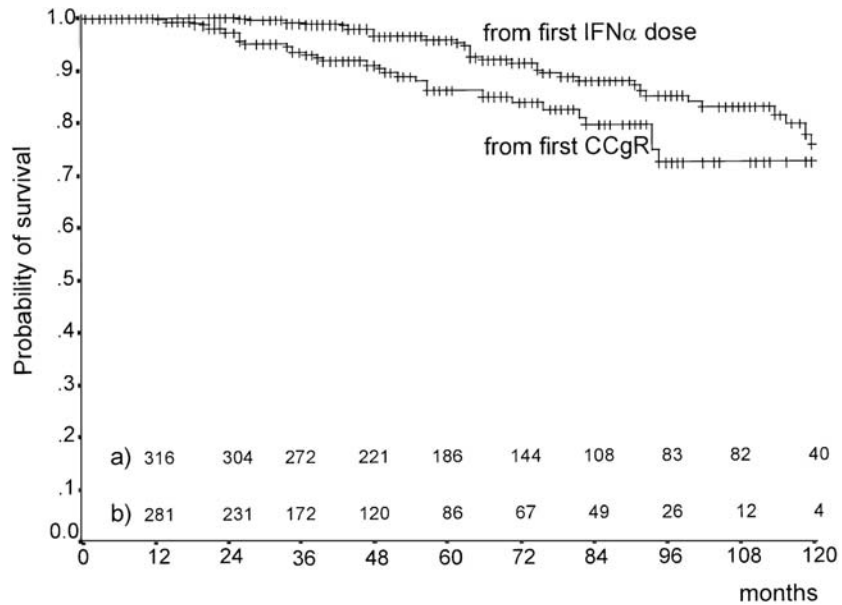
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Pegylated Interferon

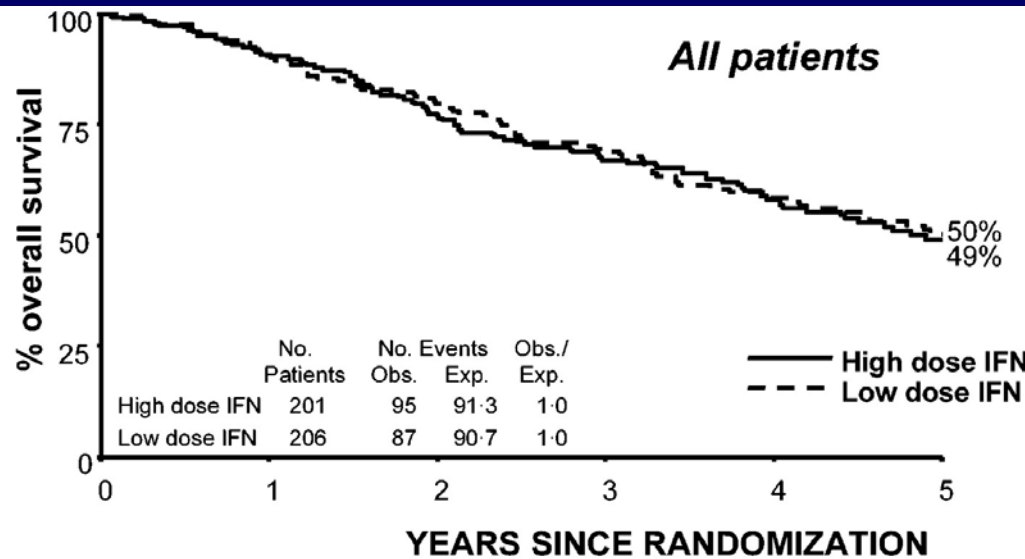


CCyR after IFN α therapy – EICML metaanalysis



High vs. low dose IFN

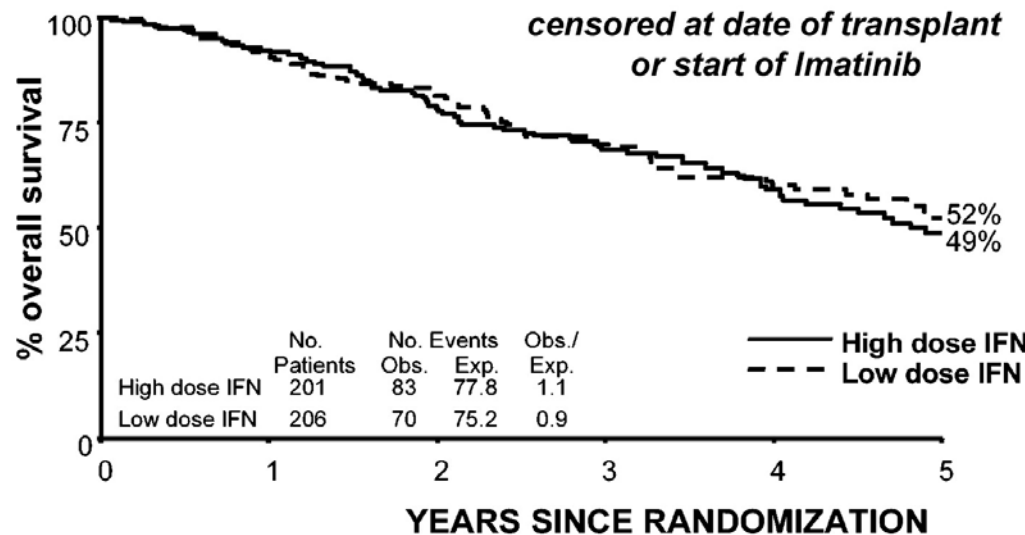
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At risk:

High dose IFN	201	179	147	113	86	47
Low dose IFN	206	182	149	114	77	45

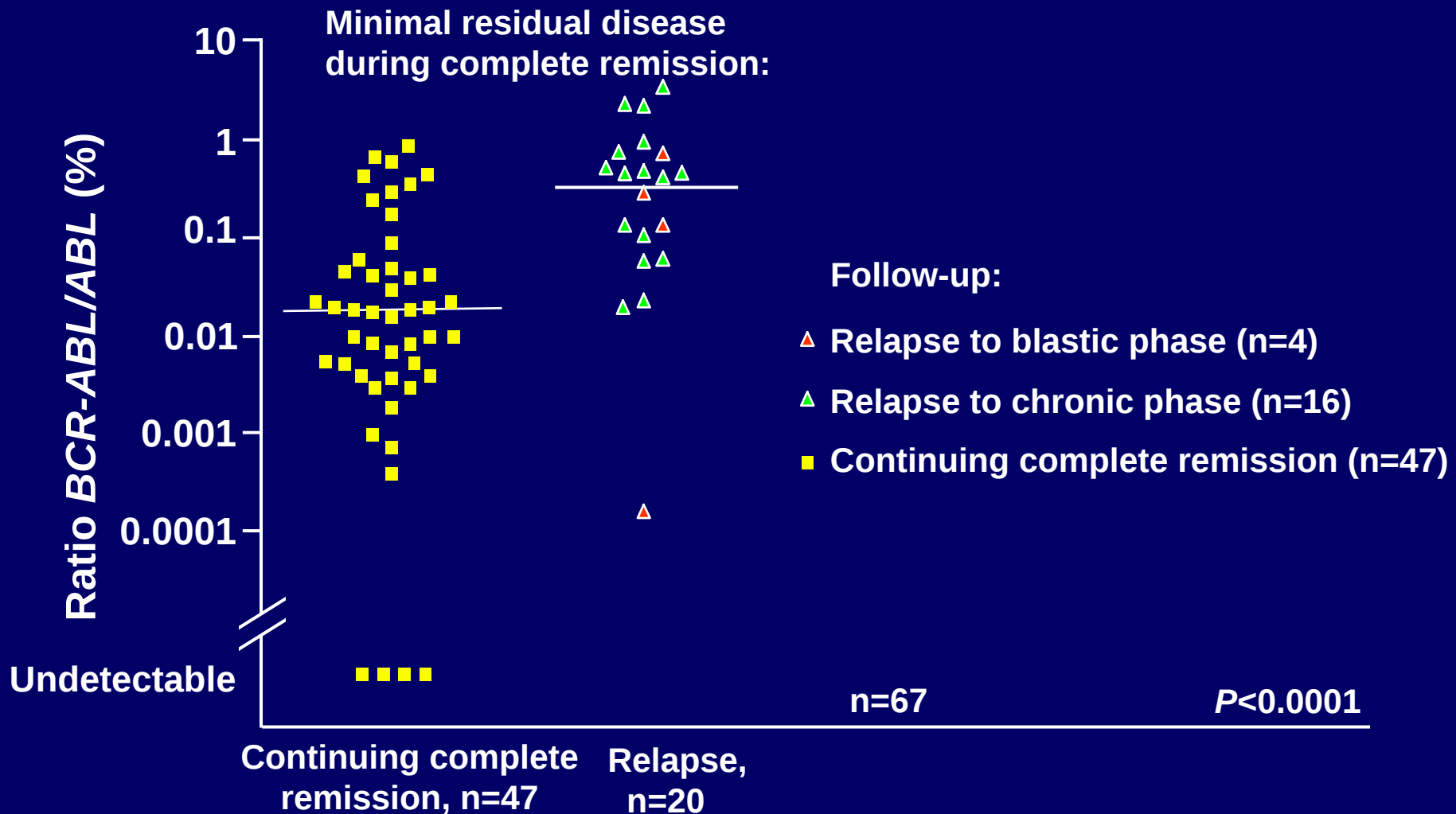
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At risk:

High dose IFN	201	169	126	96	70	38
Low dose IFN	206	172	127	86	59	32

MRD Levels Predict Relapse After IFN- α Induced CCR

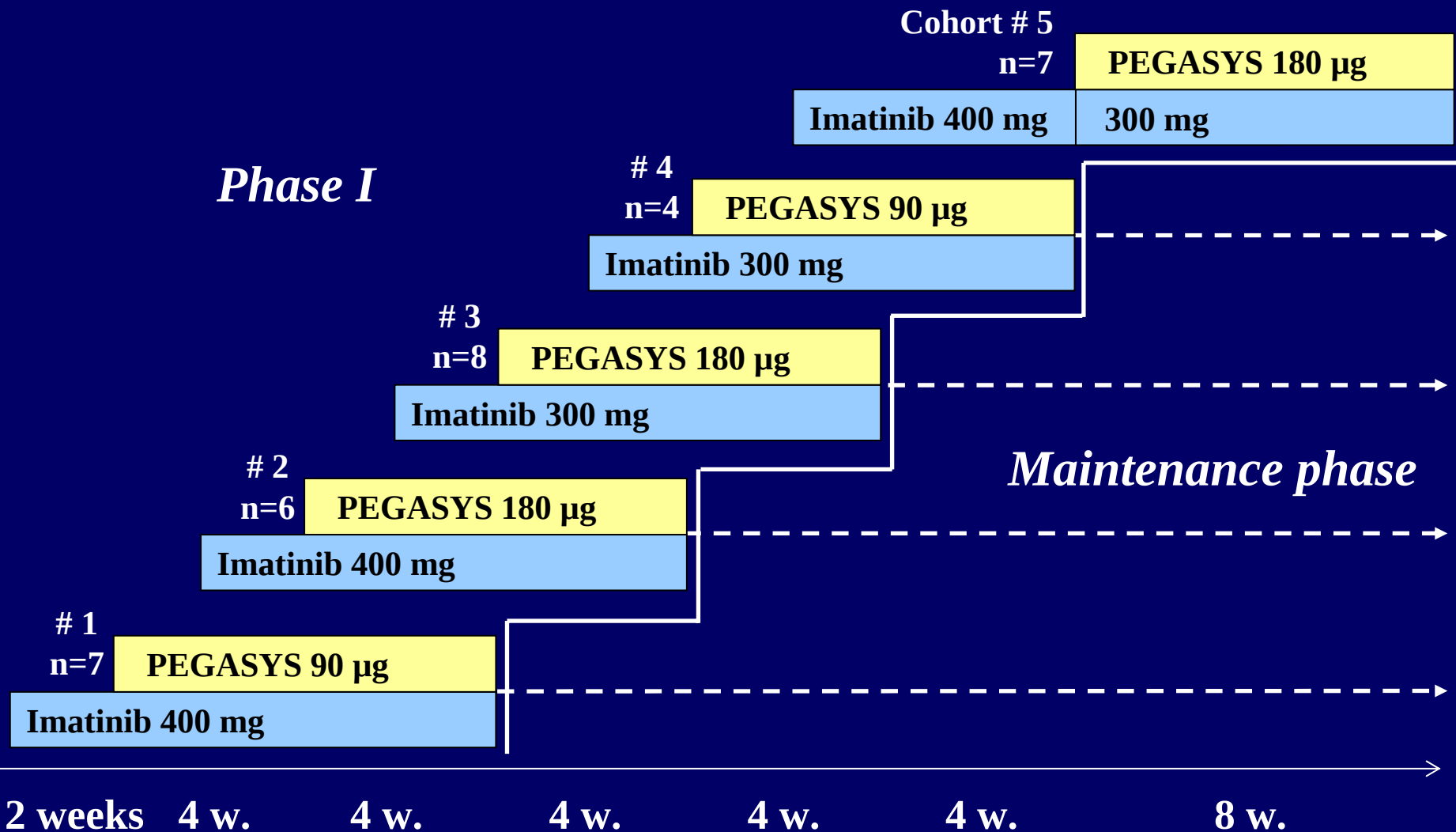


MRD = minimal residual disease; CCR = complete cytogenetic response.

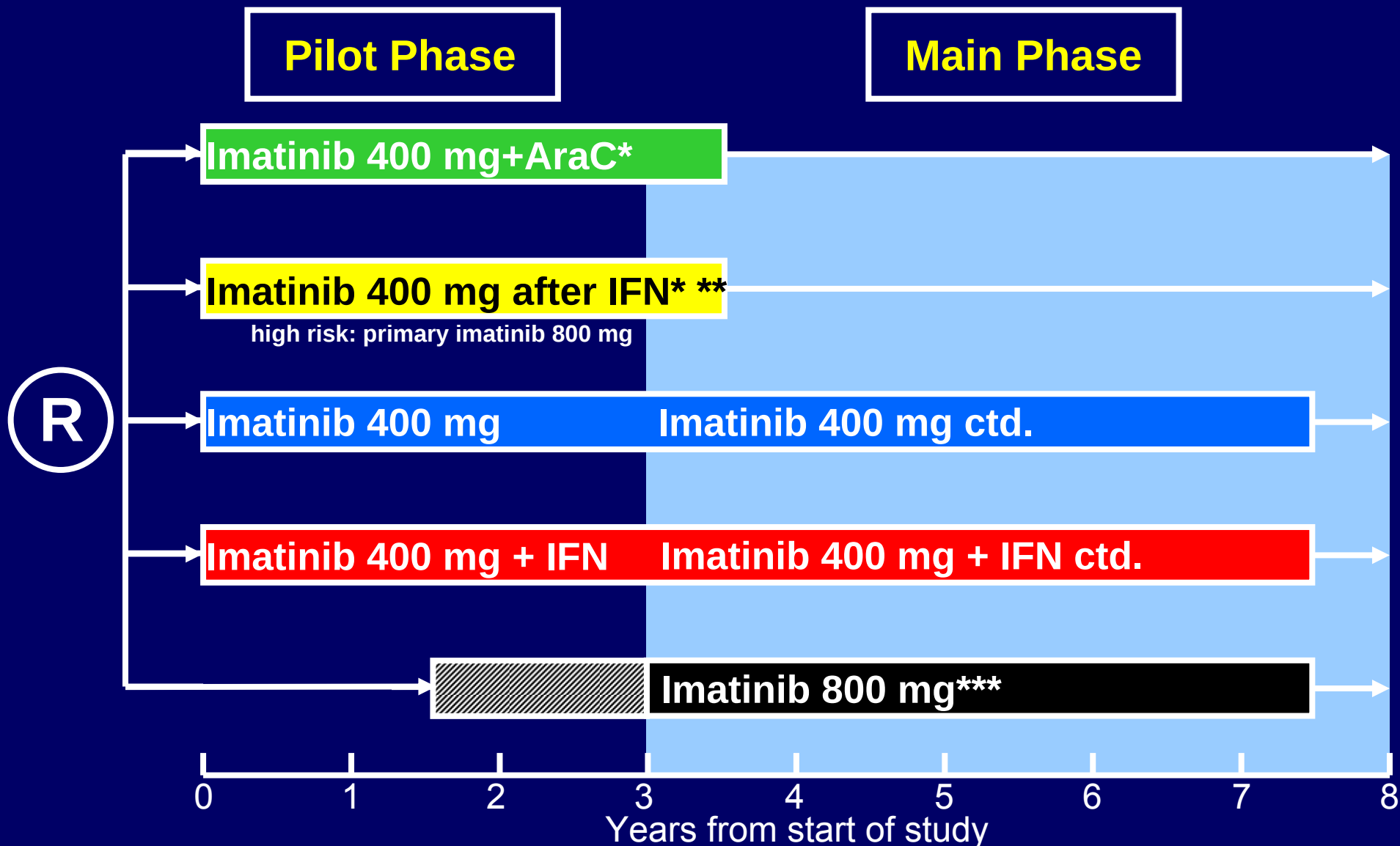
Hochhaus et al. *Blood*. 2000.

Phase I/II Imatinib + Pegasys combination study

Phase I



Imatinib vs. combinations, high dose imatinib $\pm$ transplantation CML Study IV, n=1400 (Hehlmann et al., ASH 2009)



* Recruitment terminated 7-11/2005; ** no high risk patients; *** Full recruitment started 7/2005

Median dose per actual therapy day*

Imatinib 400 mg:	400 mg/d (277-720 mg/d)
Imatinib 400 mg+IFN:	Imatinib: 400 mg/d (184-608 mg/d) IFN: 1.7 Mio I.U./d (0.4-6.0 Mio I.U./d)
Imatinib 800 mg:	646 mg/d (209-800 mg/d)

*** IFN 3 days/week (imatinib+IFN)**

Adverse events

(WHO grade I-IV, total time of therapy)

IM 800 mg
n=240

IM 400 mg
n=276

IM 400 mg + IFN
n=280

Edema

33%

26%

20%

Myalgia

23%

20%

19%

Neurological AEs

12%

14%

21%

Gastrointestinal AEs

42%

29%

30%

Fatigue

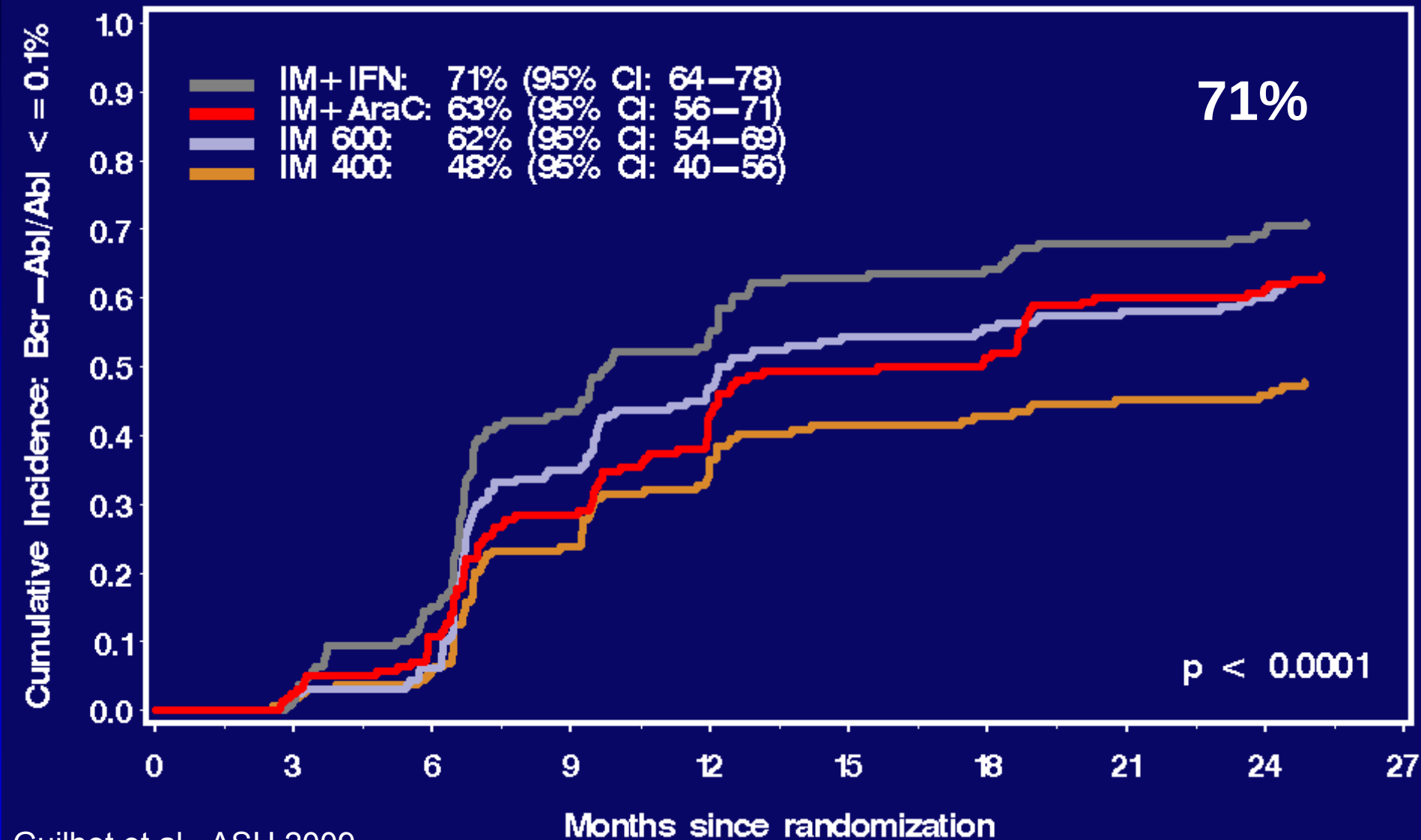
15%

12%

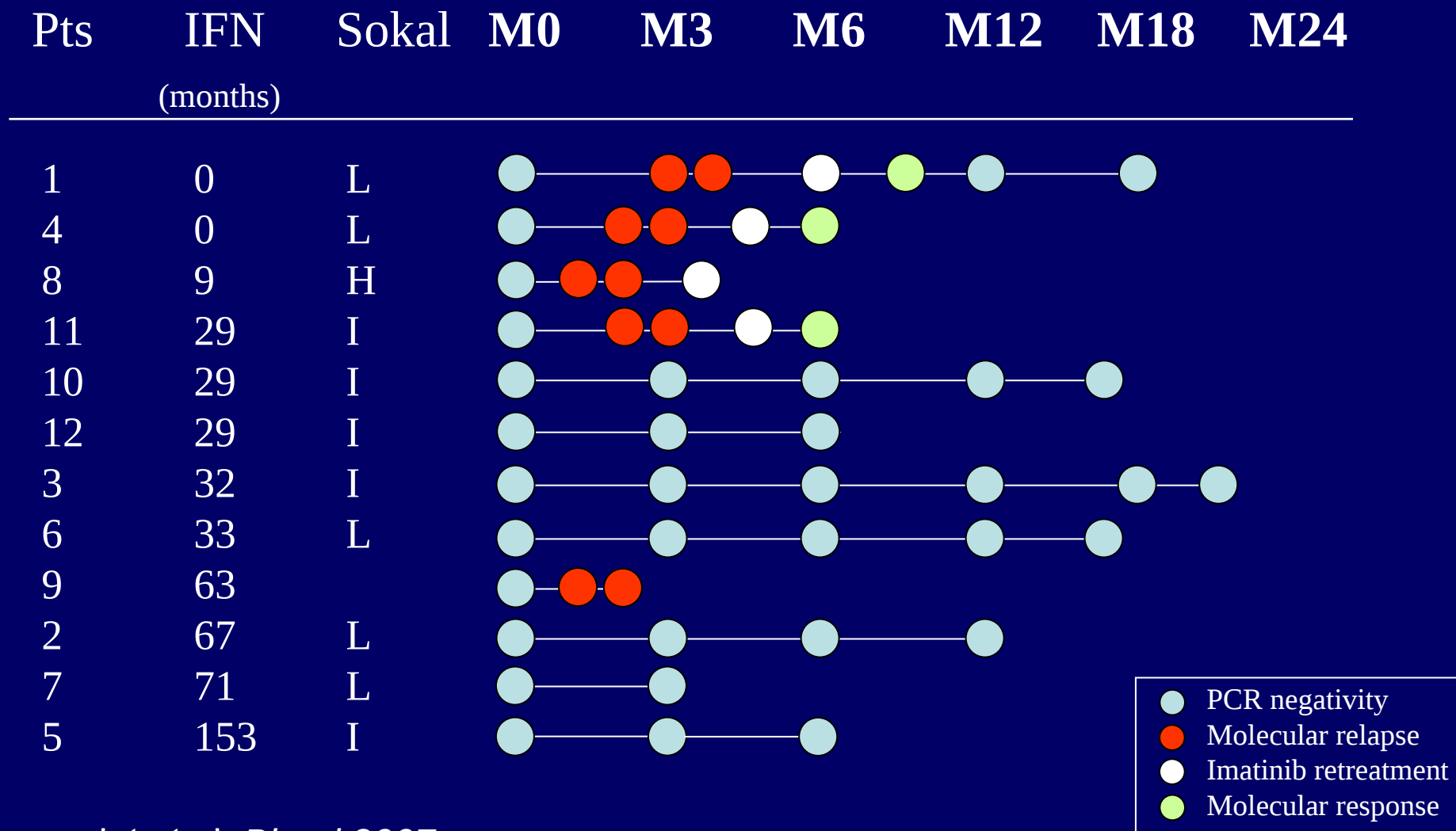
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Major Molecular Responses at 24 months

$BCR\text{-}ABL/ABL \leq 0.1\%$ IS - 636 patients (ITT)



Continuous molecular remission after imatinib withdrawal in case of IFN pretreatment

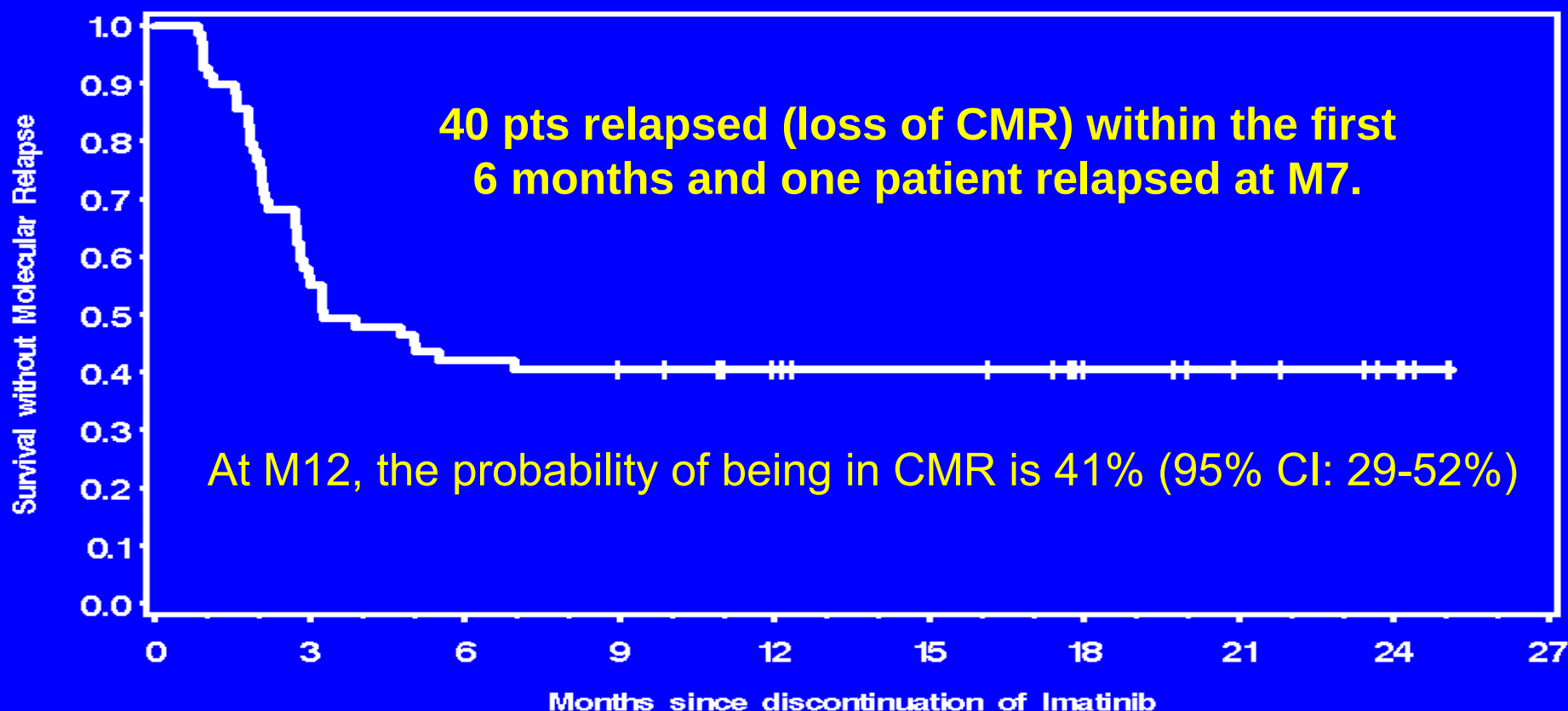




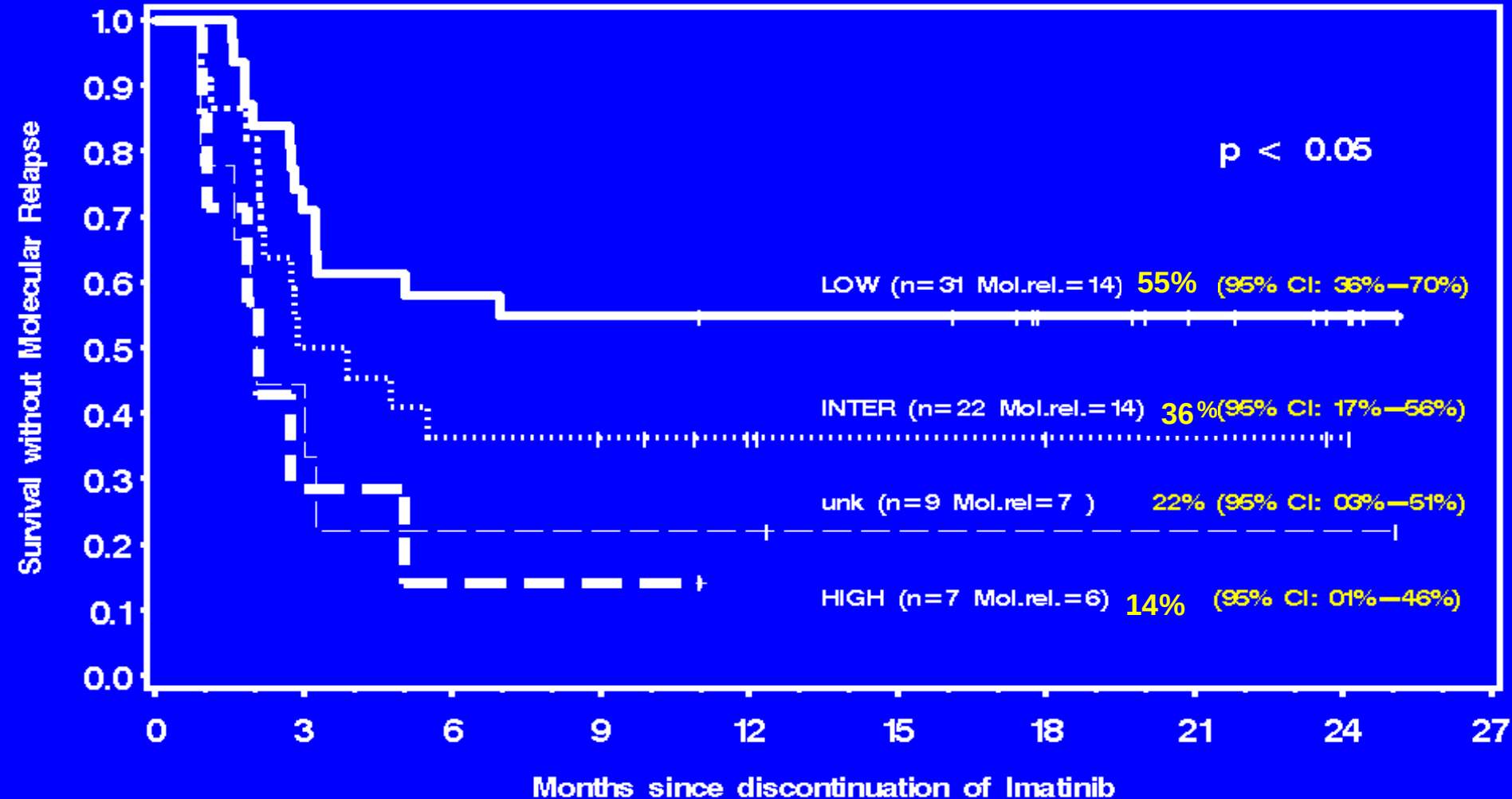
STop IMatinib study

(MULTICENTER TRIAL ESTIMATING THE PERSISTENCE
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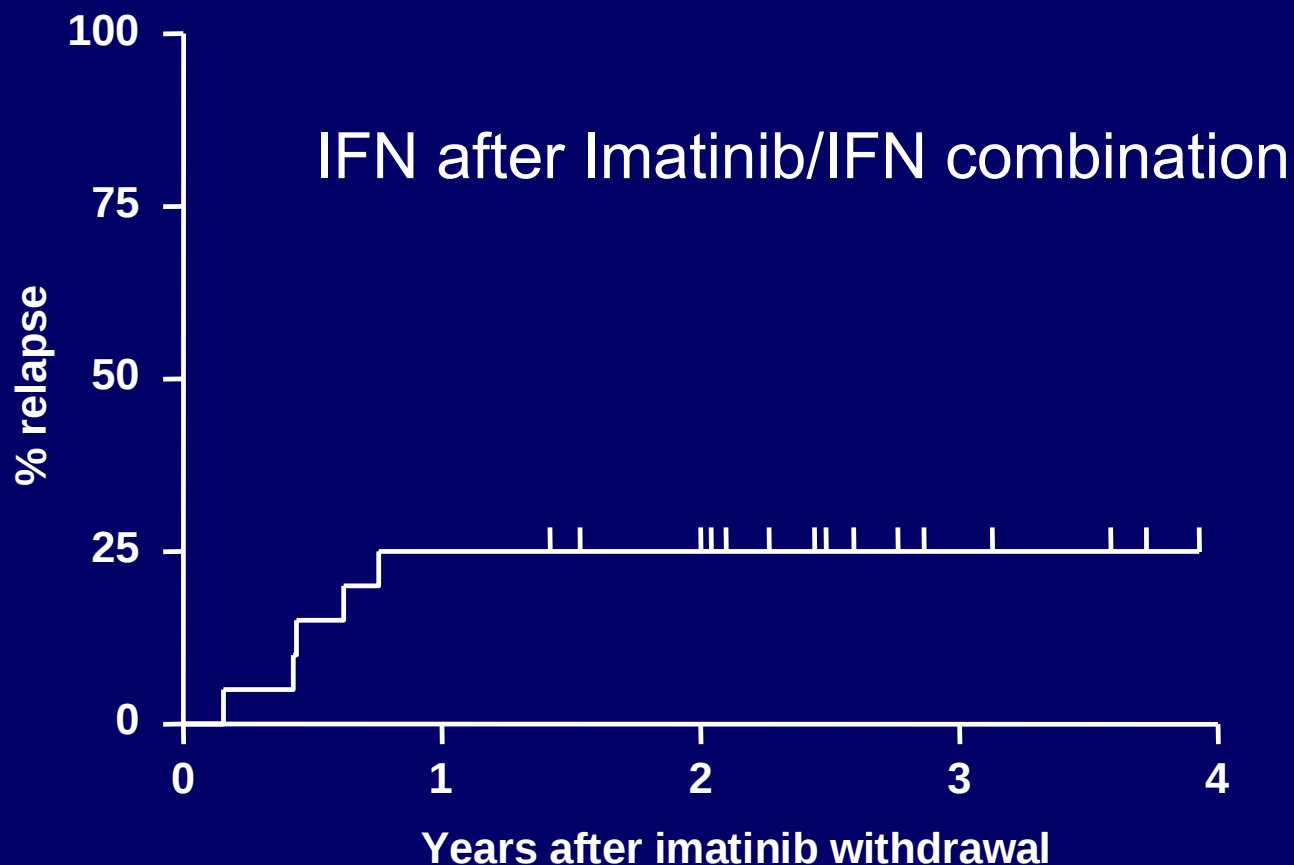
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STIM Study: Results according to Sokal score

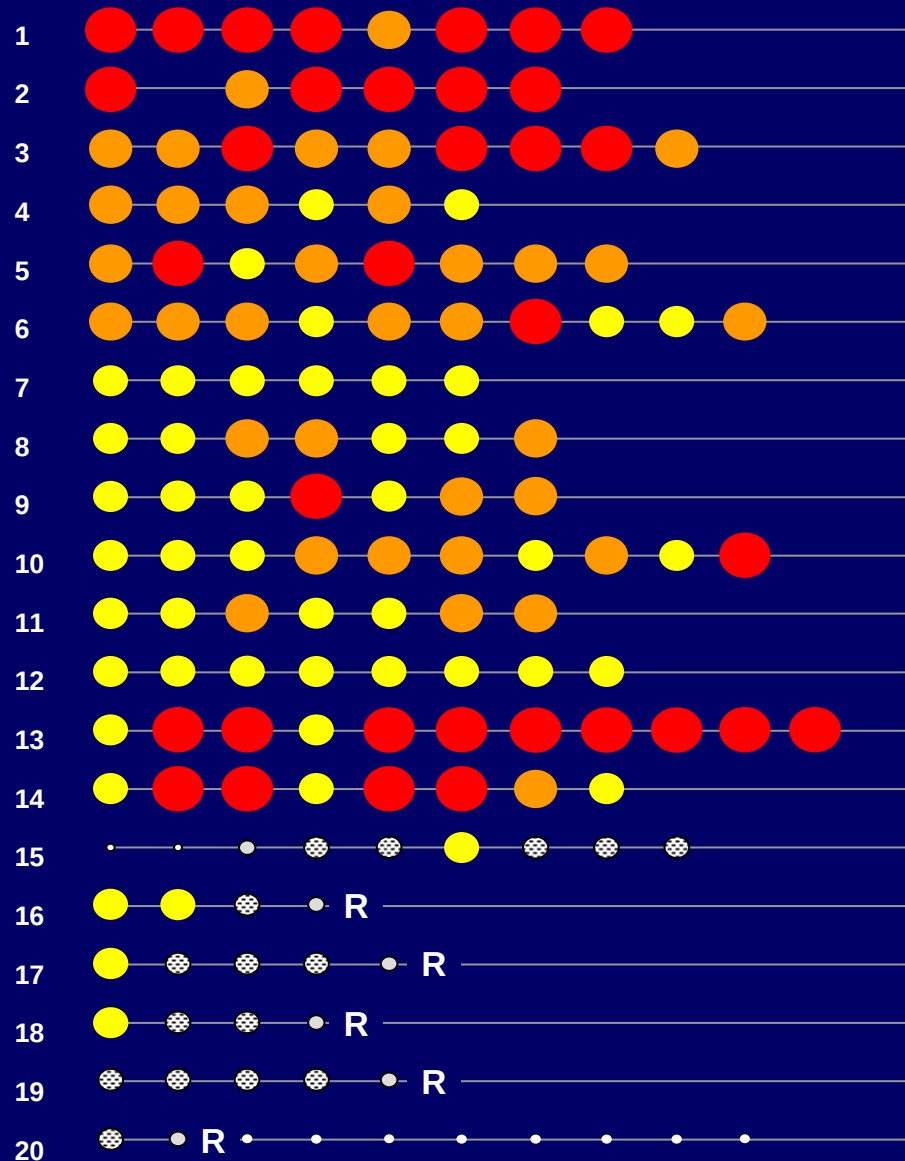


Stable remission on IFN maintenance therapy (n=20) after imatinib withdrawal



Level of residual disease at stop of imatinib and during IFN maintenance therapy

Pt. no. 0 1.5 3 6 12 18 24 30 36 42 48 mo.



Increase of the proportion of PR1 cytotoxic T lymphocytes on IFN monotherapy.

n=9
HLA A2+
patients

PR1 CTL (%)

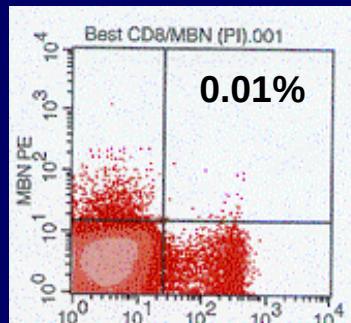


Pretherapy

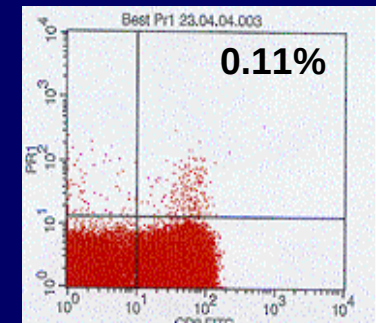
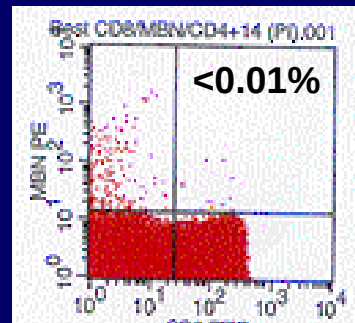
Imatinib/IFN

IFN only

PR1 PE

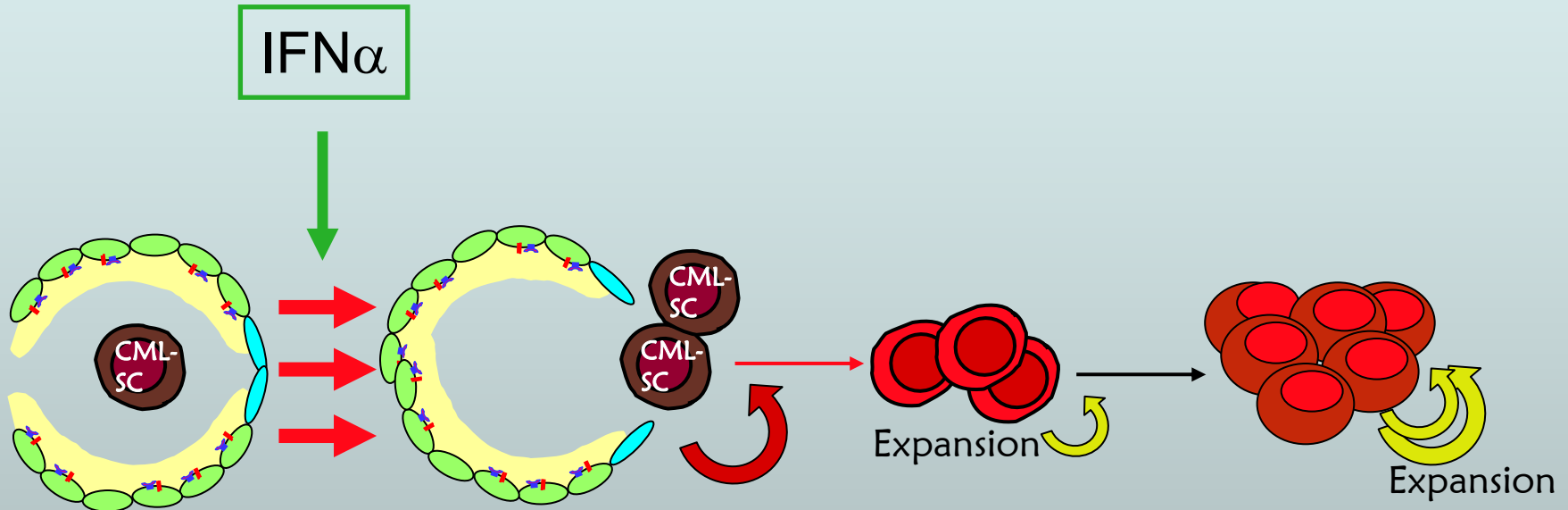


CD8 FITC



Burchert et al., JCO 2010

IFN α may also activate dormant CML stem cells making them sensitive to imatinib



Dormant CML-SCs
are resistant
to imatinib

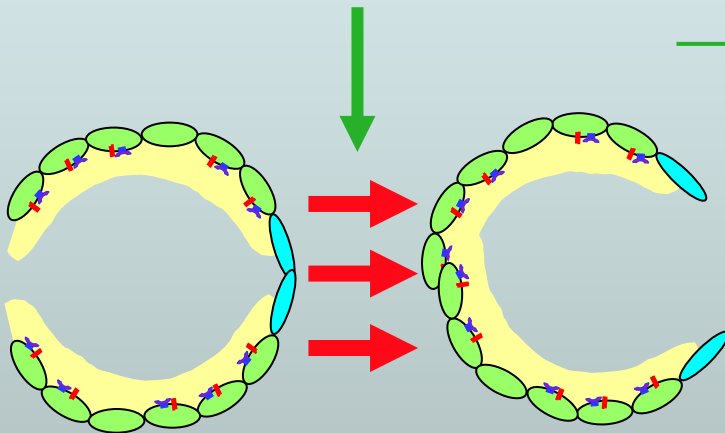
Activated CML-SCs
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More differentiated CML
cells are effectively
eliminated by imatinib

IFN α may also activate dormant CML stem cells making them sensitive to imatinib

IFN α priming

Imatinib



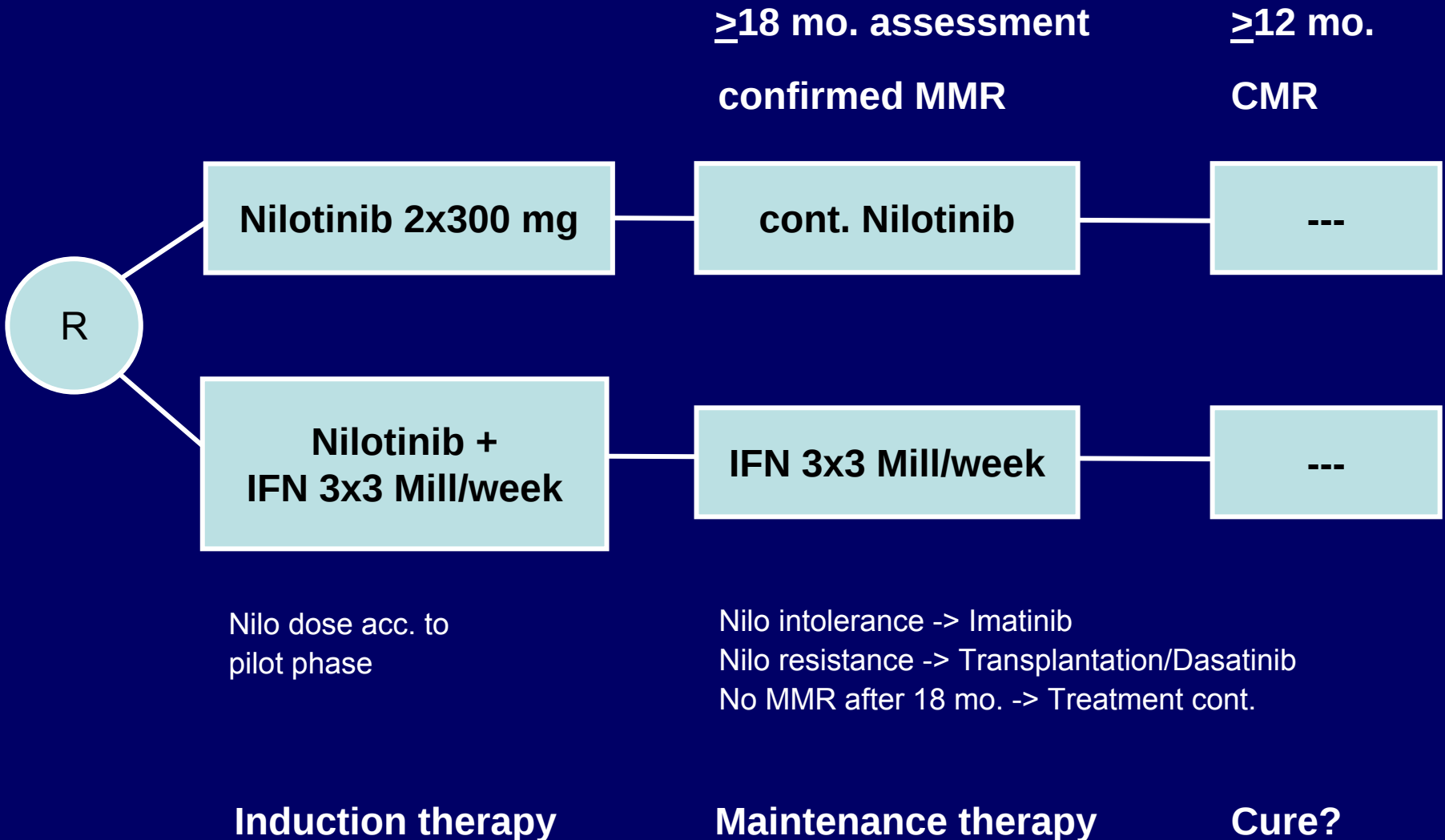
Long term cure ?

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New German CML-Study V



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