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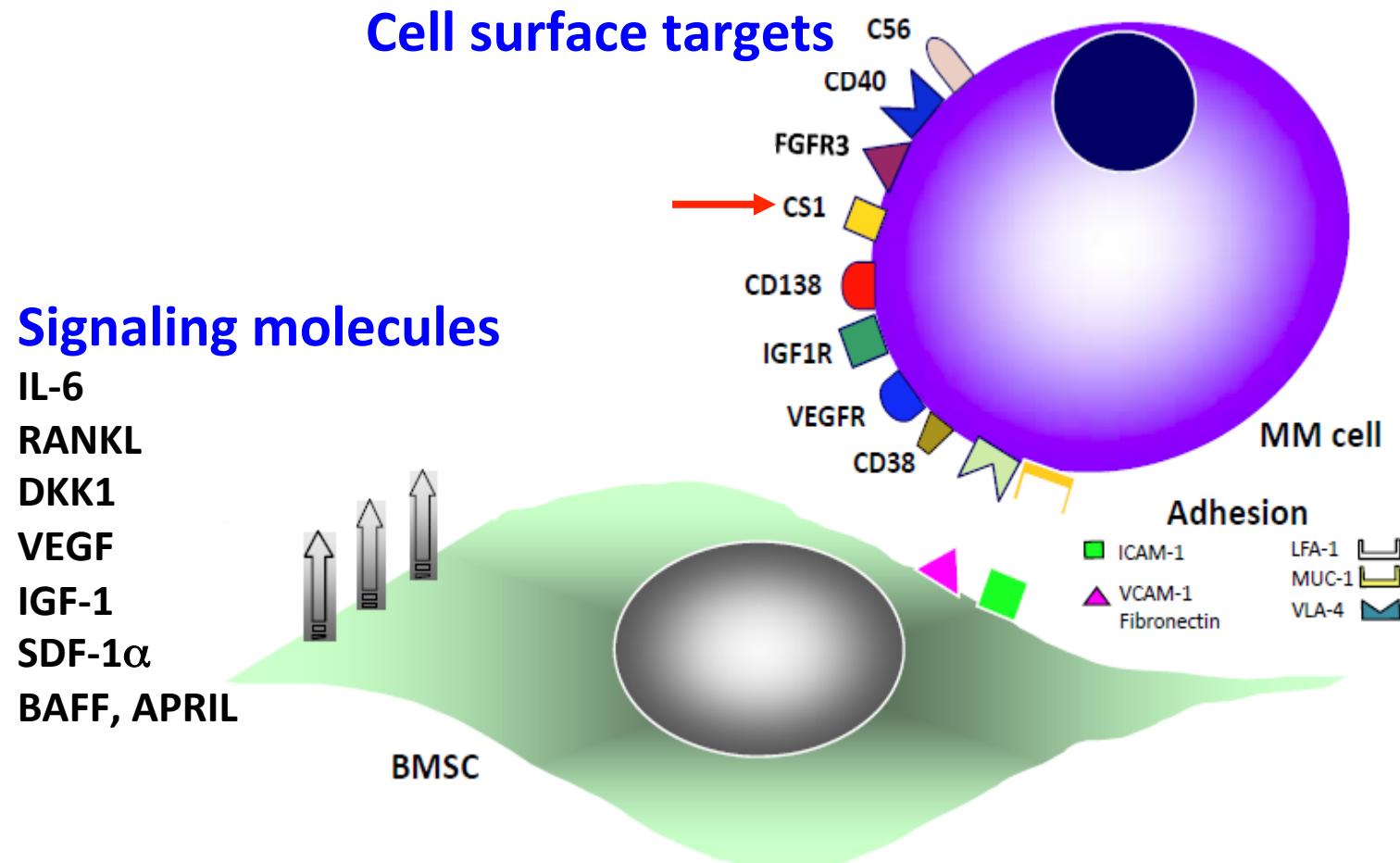
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SLAMF7/CS1

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Targets for monoclonal antibody therapy in multiple myeloma (MM)



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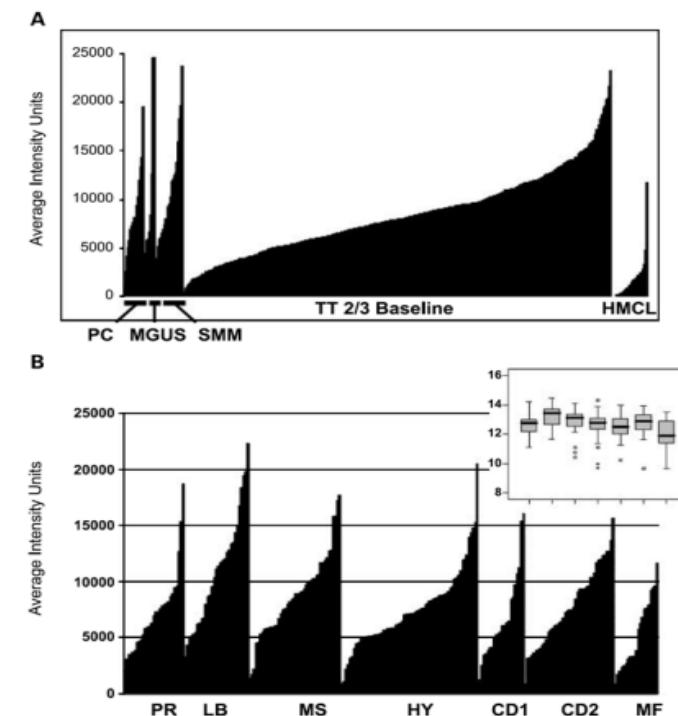
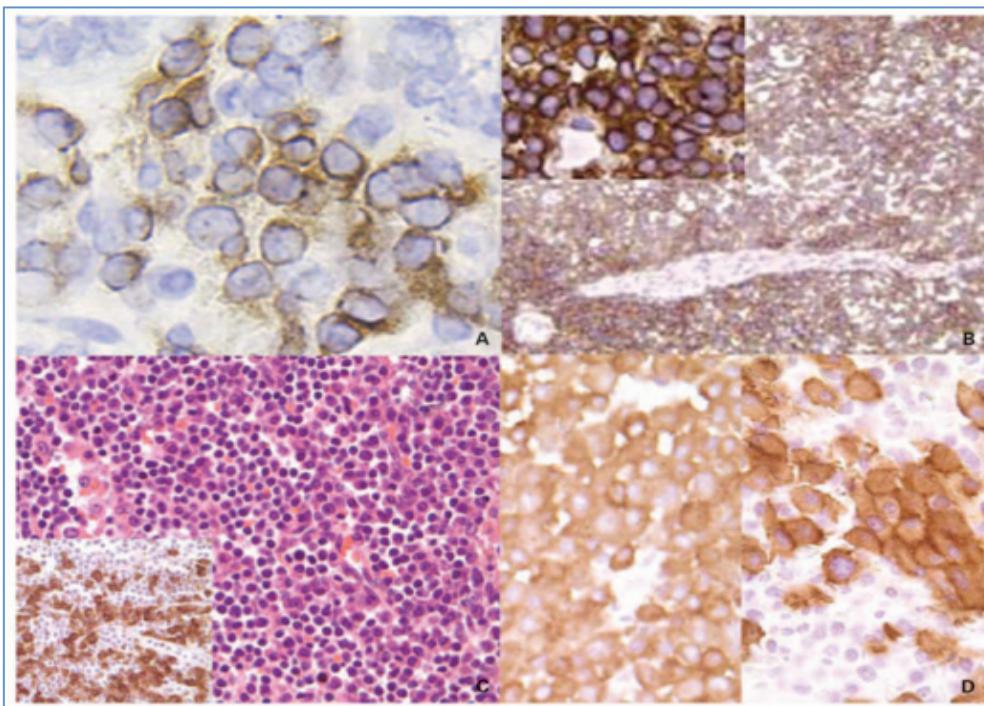
SLAMF7/CS1: expression profile on hemopoietic cells

- Cell surface glycoprotein receptor
- SLAM (Signaling Lymphocyte Activating Molecule) family:
 - SLAM/CD150
 - 2B4
 - CD84
 - NTB-A
 - Ly-9

Cell type	CS-1 expression
Non-hematopoietic cell	-
Activated monocytes	+
Immature dendritic cells	-
Mature dendritic cells	+
NK cells, NK-T cells	+
CD8 ⁺ T lymphocytes	+
Activated B lymphocytes	+
Normal plasma cells	+
MM plasma cells	++

SLAMF7/CS1: expression levels in MM patients

- CS1 is highly expressed on >95% of MM cells:
 - Lower expression on NK cells
 - Little to no expression on normal tissues and HSCs



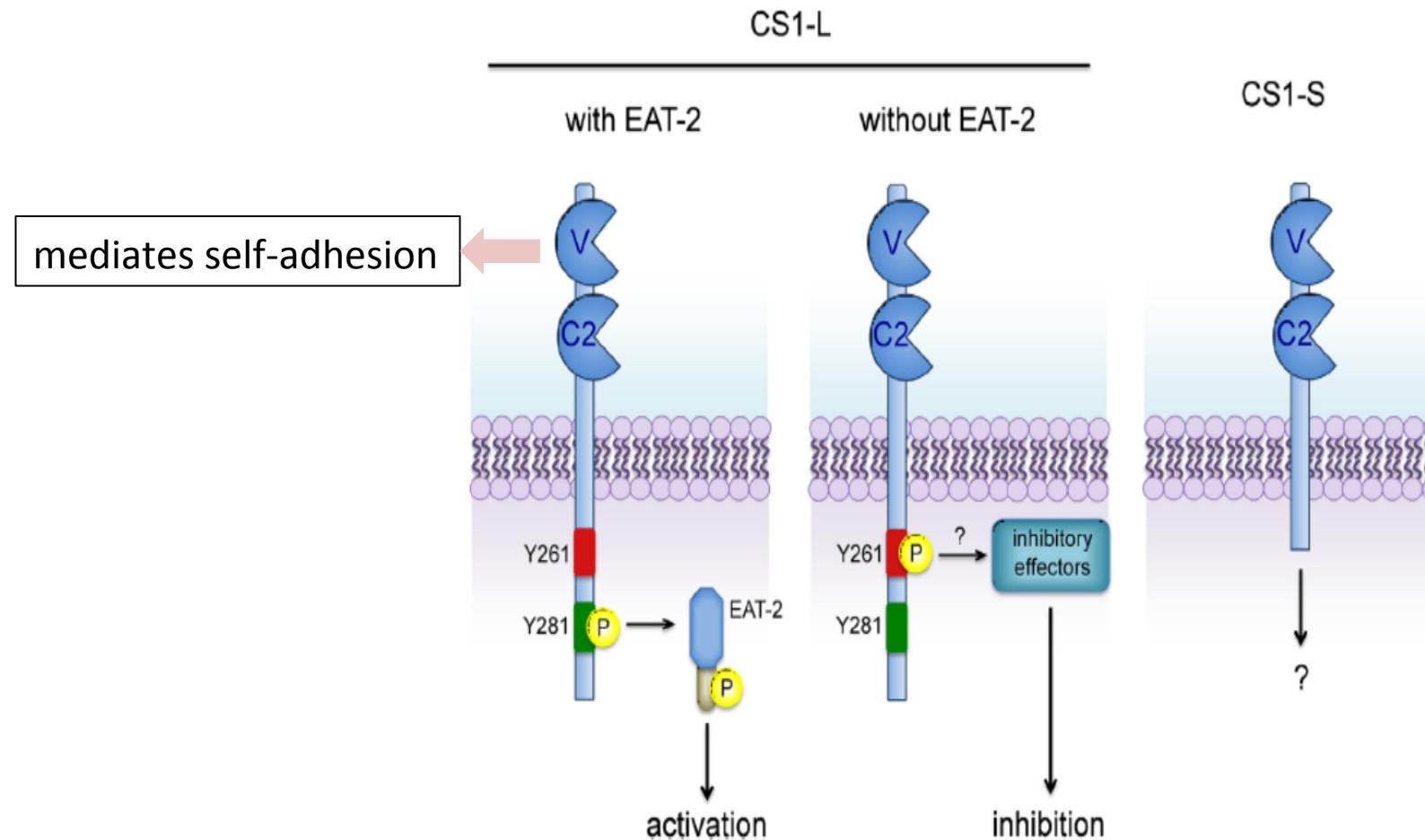
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Van Rhee F et al. Mol Cancer Ther. 2009; Ionial S et al. ASH 2009 Abstract# 432

SLAMF7/CS1: an atypical SLAM family member

SLAM family receptors.

Receptor	Alternative name	Physiological ligand	Number of ITSMs	Expression pattern	Interaction with		Phenotypes knock-out mice
					SAP	EAT-2	
SLAM	CD150 SLAMF1	SLAM	2	T, B, DC, Mφ, plat	+	+	T, Mφ, plat, NK-T
Ly-9	CD229 SLAMF3	Ly-9	1	T, B, NK, DC, Mφ	+	+	CD4 ⁺ T, innate-like CD8 ⁺ T, NK-T
2B4	CD244 SLAMF4	CD48	3	NK, CD8 ⁺ T, DC, Mφ, eos	+	+	NK
CD84	SLAMF5	CD84	2	T, B, NK, DC, Mφ, gran, plat, mast, eos	+	+	T, B (GC)
NTB-A	Ly108 CD352 SLAMF6	NTB-A	2	T, B, NK, DC, neutro	+	+	T, B, neutro, NK-T
CS1	CRACC CD319 SLAMF7	CS1	1	Human: NK, NK-T, DC, B, PC, T Mouse: NK, NK-T, DC, Mφ, B, T	-	+	NK

SLAMF7/CS1: structure and function interplay

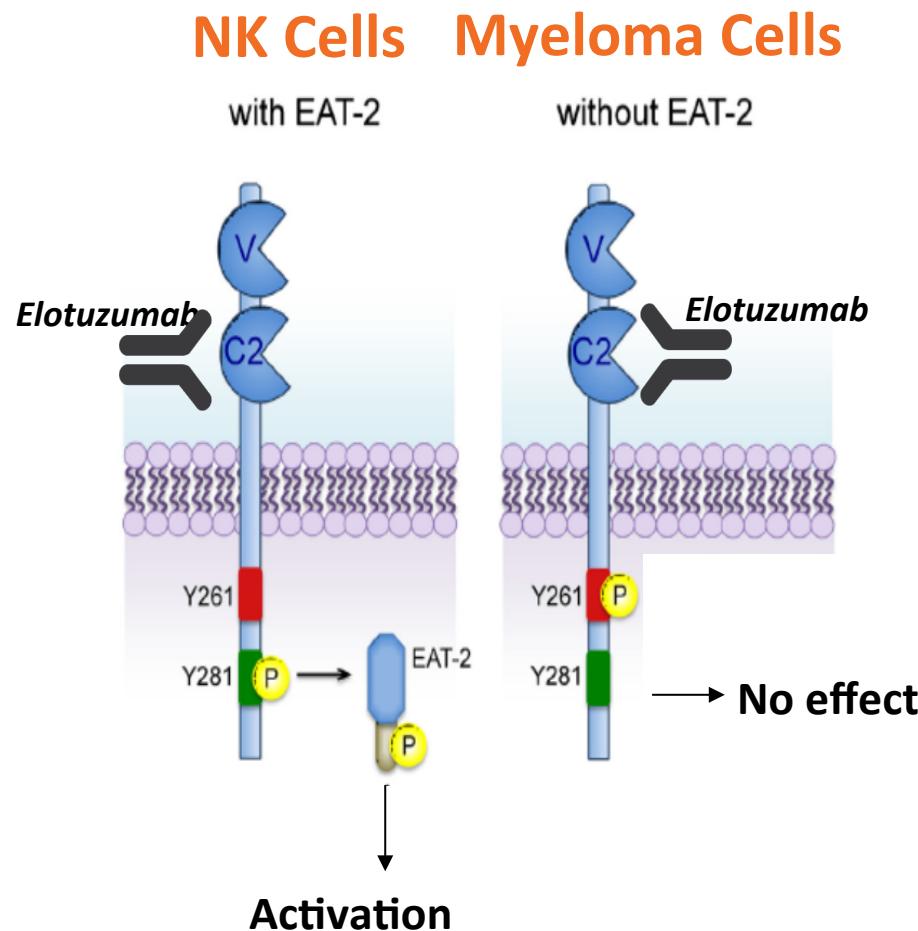


Adapted from: Veillette A et al., *Crit Rev Oncol Hematol* 2013.

SLAMF7/CS1: functions

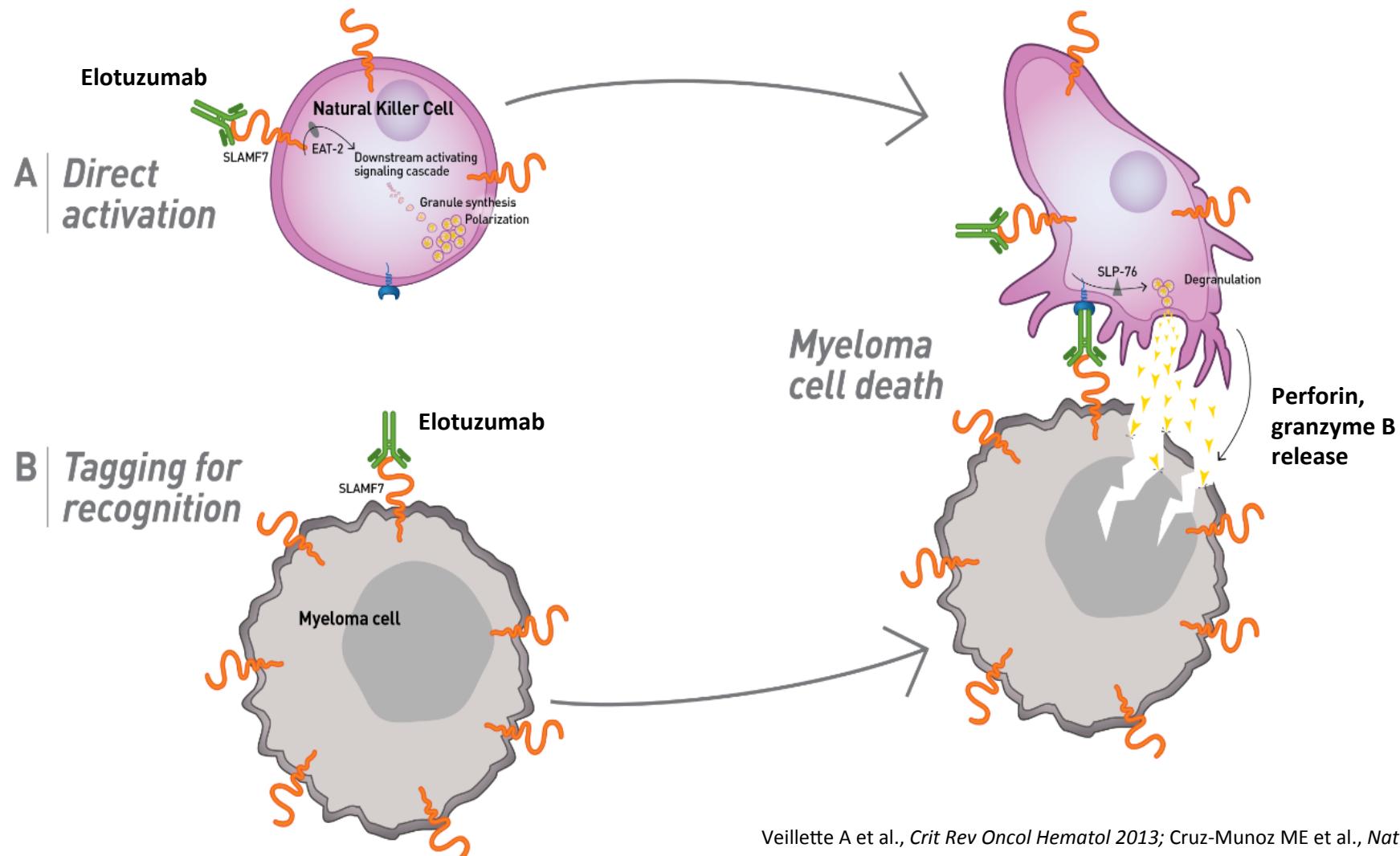
Cell type	EAT-2 expression	SLAMF7 function
Activated Monocytes	-	Decrease of proinflammatory cytokine secretion
NK cells	+	Increase of IFN γ production, cytotoxic activity
B cells	-	Proliferation and cytokine production
T cells	-	Inhibition of antigen-induced T cell proliferation and cytokine production
NK-T cells		unknown
Dendritic cells	+	unknown
MM plasma cells	-	Adhesion to BMSC

Elotuzumab (Elo): a monoclonal antibody targeting SLAMF7/CS1



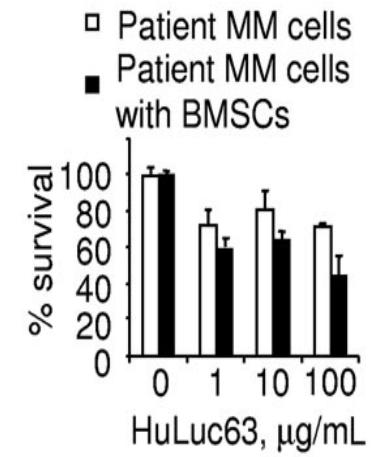
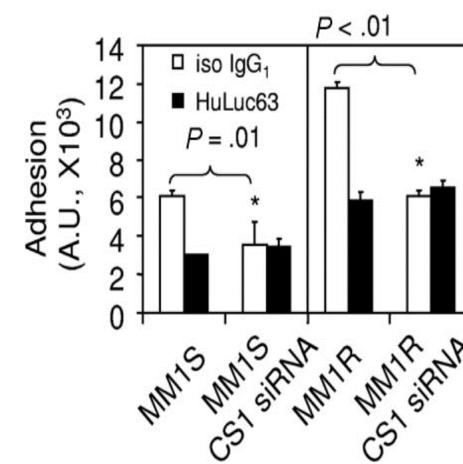
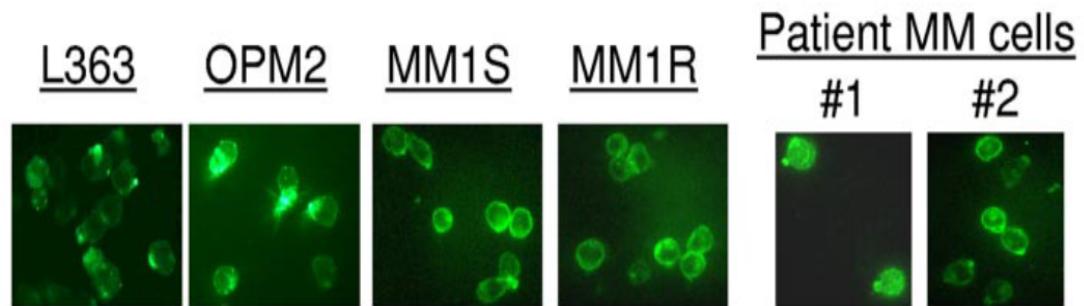
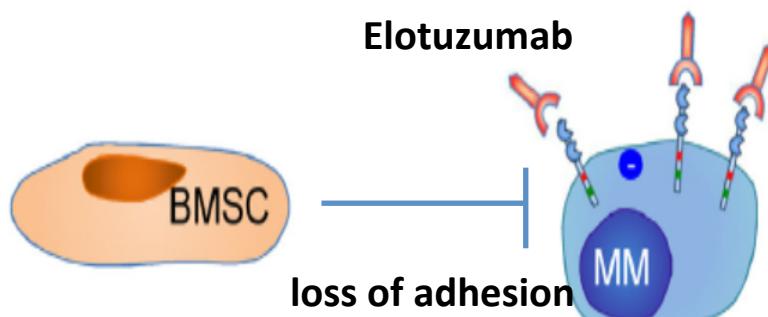
- Humanized, IgG1 mAb specific for human SLAMF7
 - No cross-reactivity with non-human homologues or other SLAM family members
- Binds to a membrane-proximal motif of SLAMF7
 - Critical for mediating killing of target cells (*in vitro*)

Elo mechanisms of action in MM (I)



Veillette A et al., *Crit Rev Oncol Hematol* 2013; Cruz-Munoz ME et al., *Nat Immunol* 2009.

Elo mechanisms of action in MM (II)

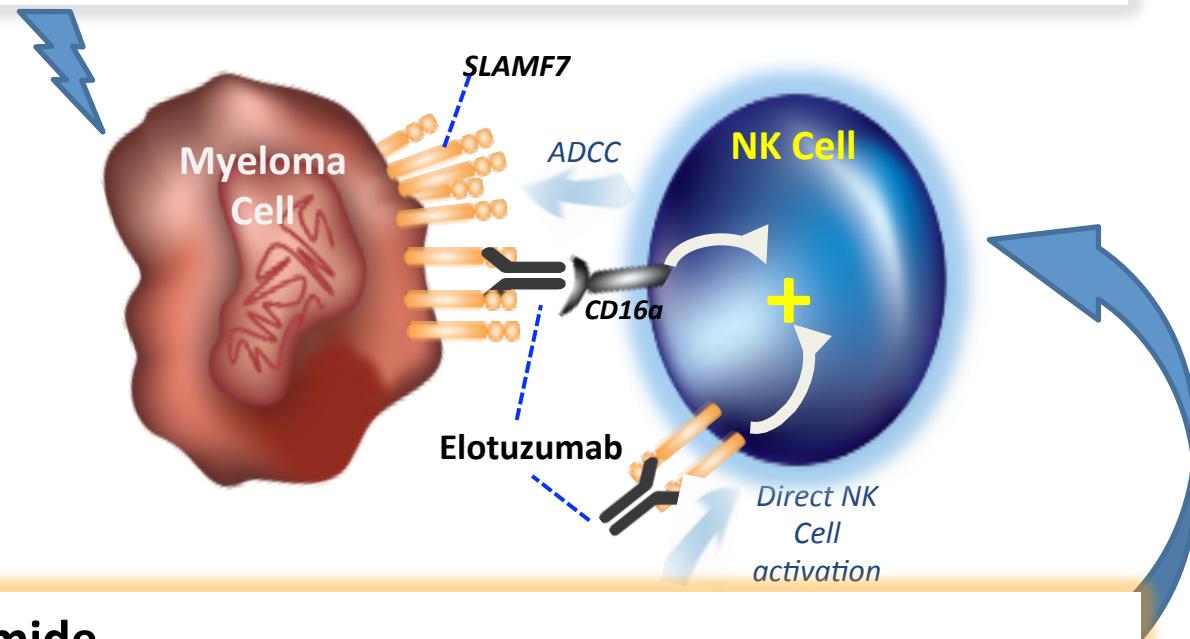


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Elo synergizes with Lenalidomide to enhance MM cell death

Lenalidomide

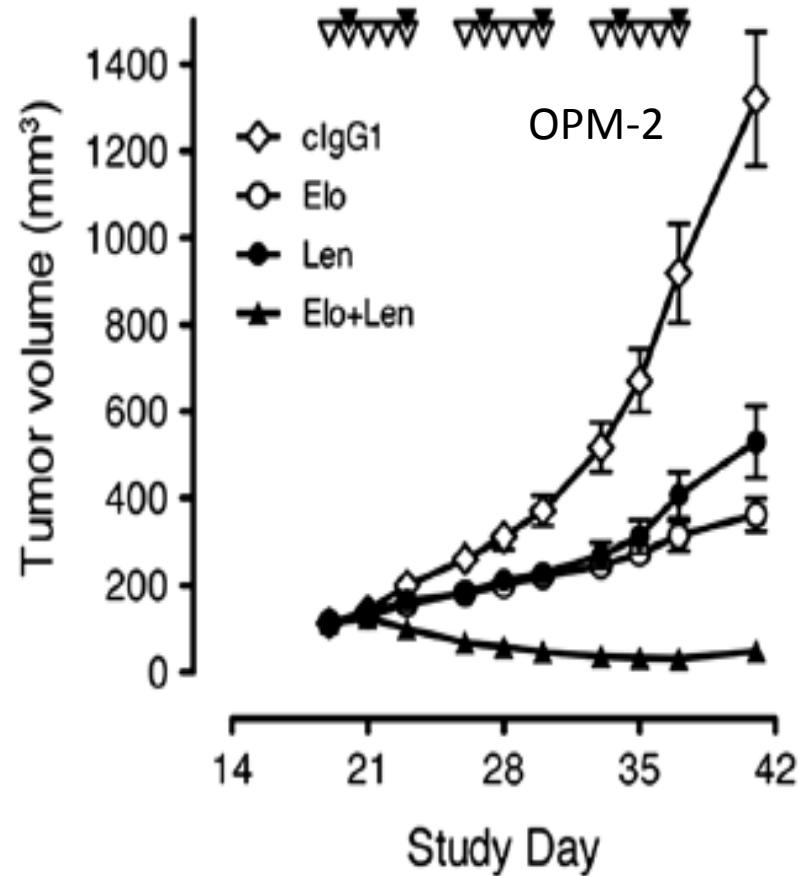
Induces myeloma cell injury and lowers threshold for NK cell-mediated killing of myeloma cells by Elotuzumab



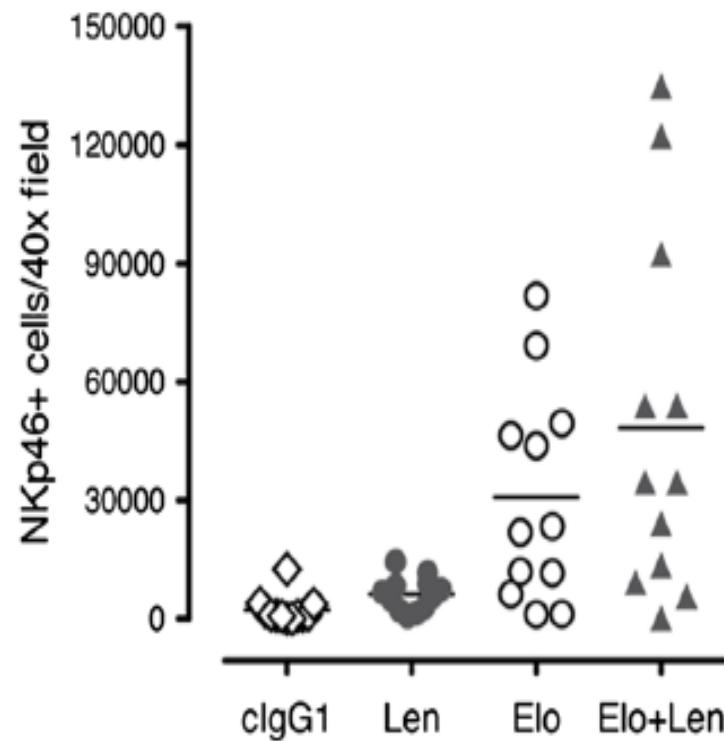
Lenalidomide

Enhances adaptive and innate immune system including production of IL2 to increase NK cell activity

Elo plus Lenalidomide: *in vivo* effects



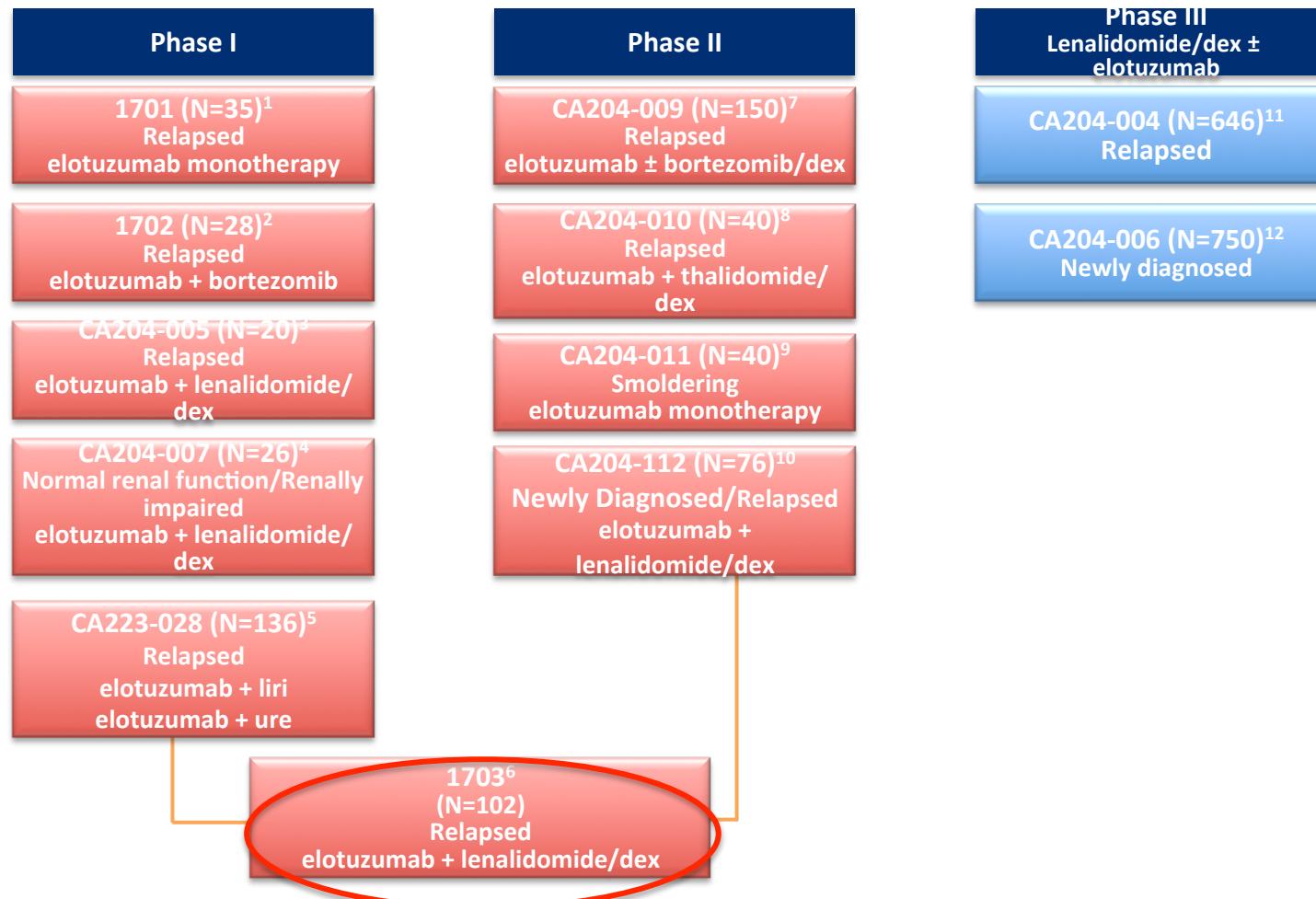
Xenograft Mouse model: IcrTac:ICR-
Prkdc^{scid}: lacks of T/B cells due to a defect in
V(D)J recombination



Elo= Elotuzumab, Len= Lenalidomide

Balasa B et al., *Cancer Immunol Immunother* 2015.

Elo: Clinical Development Program



Dex= dexamethasone; liri= lirilumab; ure= urelumab.

1. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT00425347. 2. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT00726869. 3. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01241292. 4. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01393964. 5. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT02252263. 6. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT00742560. 7. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01478048. 8. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01632150. 9. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01441973. 10. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT02159365. 11. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01239797. 12. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01335399.

Phase 1 and 2 Elo Trials: Summary

Trial	Phase	Treatment	Sample Size	Efficacy (%)	Median PFS
1701	1	Elotuzumab monotherapy	35	SD=26.5	—
1702	1	Elotuzumab + Bortezomib	28	ORR=48	9.46 mo
1703	1	Elotuzumab + Lenalidomide/ Dexamethasone	28	ORR=82	33 months
1703	2	Elotuzumab + Lenalidomide/ Dexamethasone	73	ORR=84	29 months
009	2	Elotuzumab + Bortezomib/ Dexamethasone	152	ORR=65	9.7 months

1701: Tolerability

- MTD was not reached up to the highest dose level of 20 mg/kg
- Key SAEs were first dose infusion reactions (IR)
 - Grade 3 allergic reaction, Grade 2 rigors, fever, chest pressure, bradycardia
 - No dose correlation seen for infusion reactions
 - No serious infusion reactions following IV corticosteroid premedication
- No neutropenia or thrombocytopenia
- Transient reduction in lymphocytes seen within hours following first dose

AEs	No. (%)
No. with any treatment-related AEs	18 (52.9)
Chills	11 (32.4)
Pyrexia	6 (17.6)
Flushing	4 (11.8)
Chest discomfort	3 (8.8)
Fatigue	3 (8.8)
Headache	3 (8.8)
Sinus tachycardia	3 (8.8)
Vomiting	3 (8.8)
Anorexia	2 (5.9)
Dyspnea	2 (5.9)
Serum creatinine increased	2 (5.9)

AEs were generally mild to moderate in severity, and AEs attributed to study medication were **primarily infusion-related**

Study CA204-004 (ELOQUENT-2): Phase 3 Study of EloRd vs Rd in RRMM¹⁻⁴

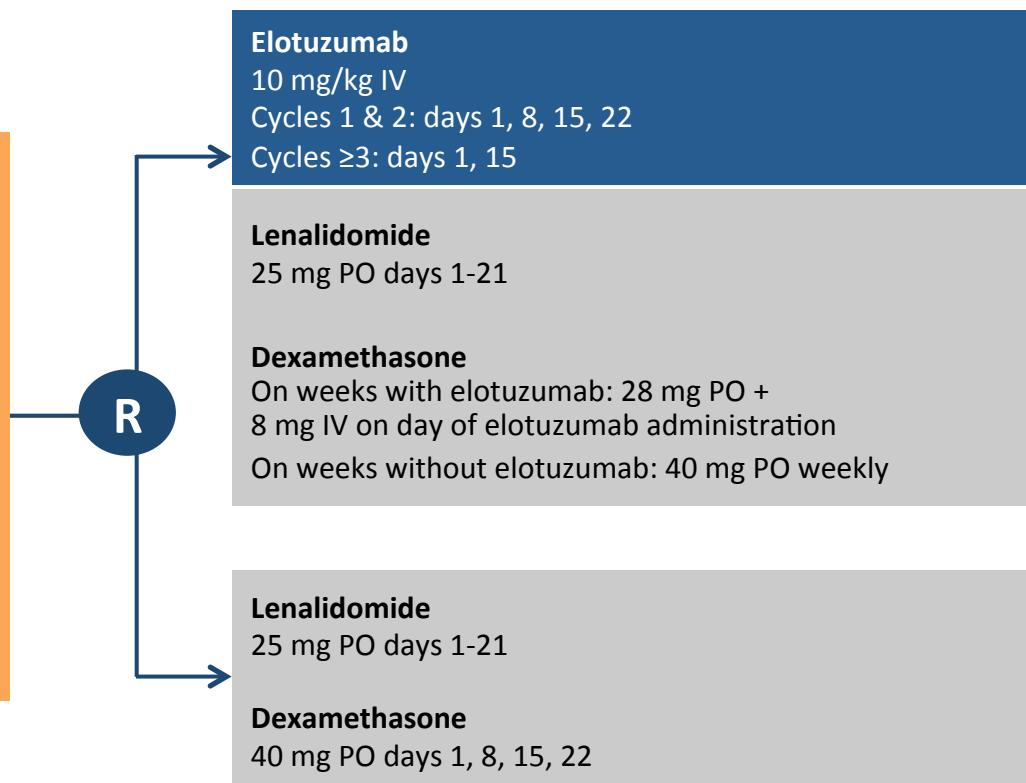
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Key Eligibility Criteria

- RRMM
- 1-3 prior lines of therapy with progression on most recent line of therapy
- Prior treatment with lenalidomide permitted in 10% of patients (if sensitive)

Stratification

- Baseline β2-microglobulin level
- Number of previous therapies
- Previous IMiD drug therapy



Follow-up every 4 weeks for tumor response until PD, then for survival every 12 weeks

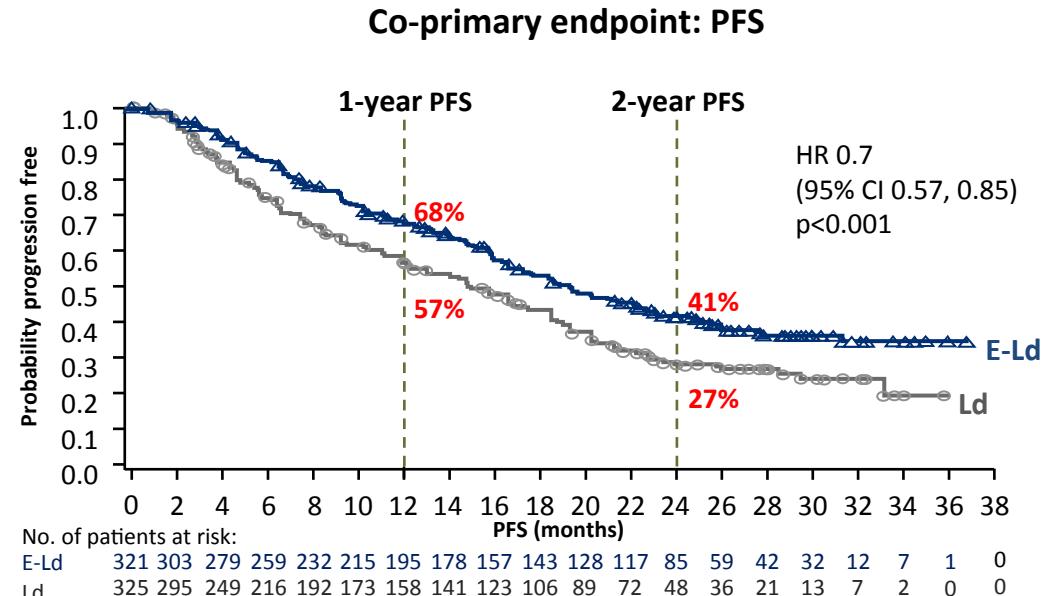
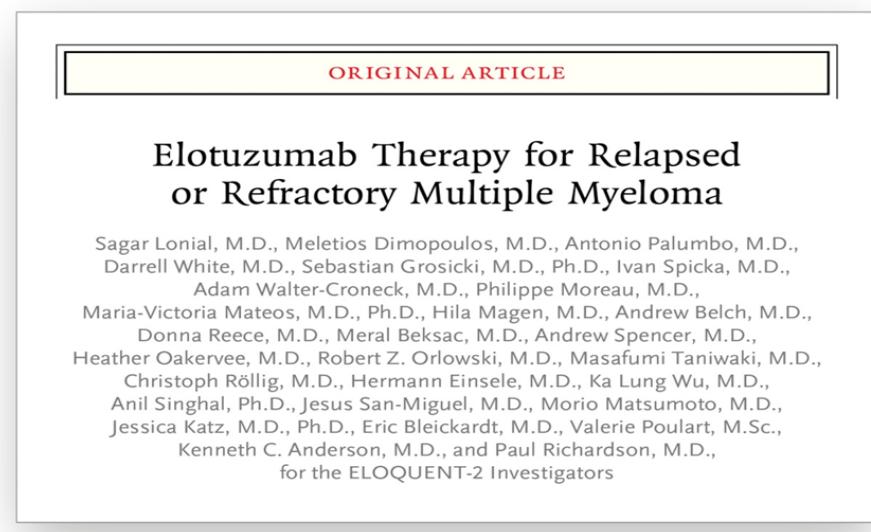
Erd, elotuzumab, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; IV, intravenous; PD, progressive disease; PO, orally; R, randomization;

Rd, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma.

1. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01239797. 2. Lonial S et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2015;373:621-631. 3. Supplement to Lonial S et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2015;373:621-631.

4. Supplement to Dimopoulos MA et al. *Br J Hematol.* 2017 [Epub ahead of print].

ELOQUENT-2: primary analysis

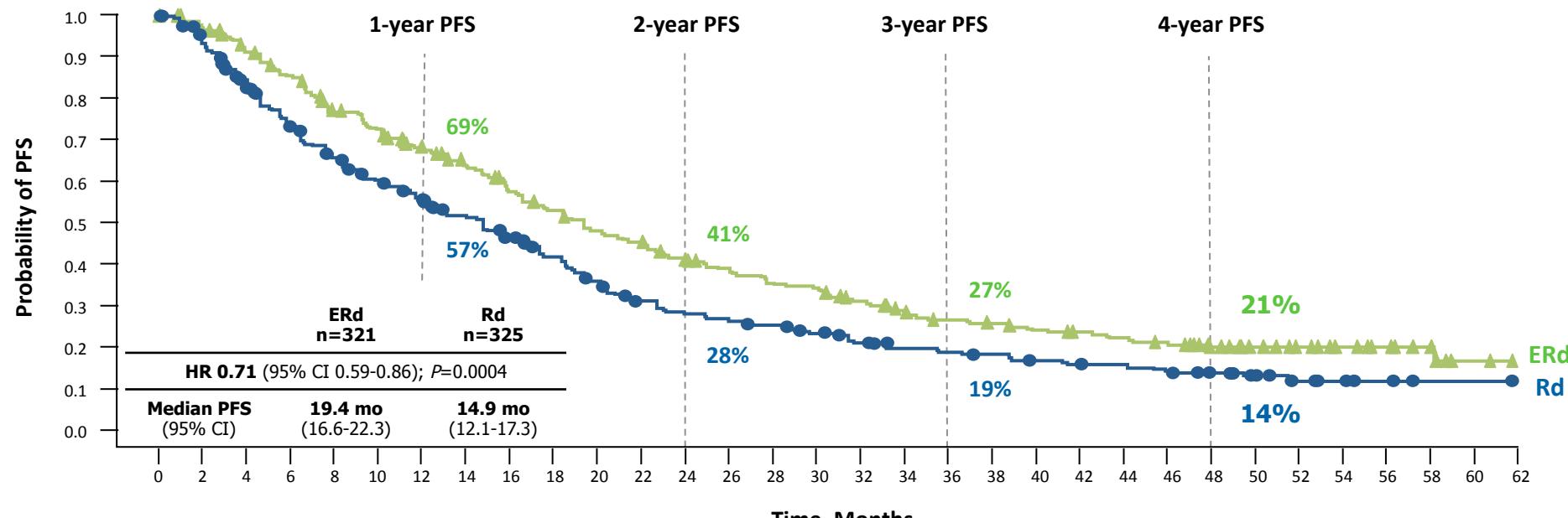


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Co-primary endpoint: ORR	E-Ld	Ld
%	79	66
95% CI	74, 83	60, 71

ELOQUENT-2 demonstrated clinical benefits of E-Ld compared with lenalidomide and dexamethasone (Ld) alone¹

4-Year Follow-Up: Durable PFS Benefit Demonstrated with ERd Versus Rd (Primary PFS Definition)^{1*}



No. at risk

ERd	321	304	280	260	233	216	196	180	160	147	132	125	111	103	94	91	79	70	63	60	55	52	49	46	36	31	24	17	13	6	1	0
Rd	325	295	249	216	192	173	158	141	124	108	91	76	68	64	61	54	47	41	39	37	33	31	30	27	22	13	9	6	3	1	0	

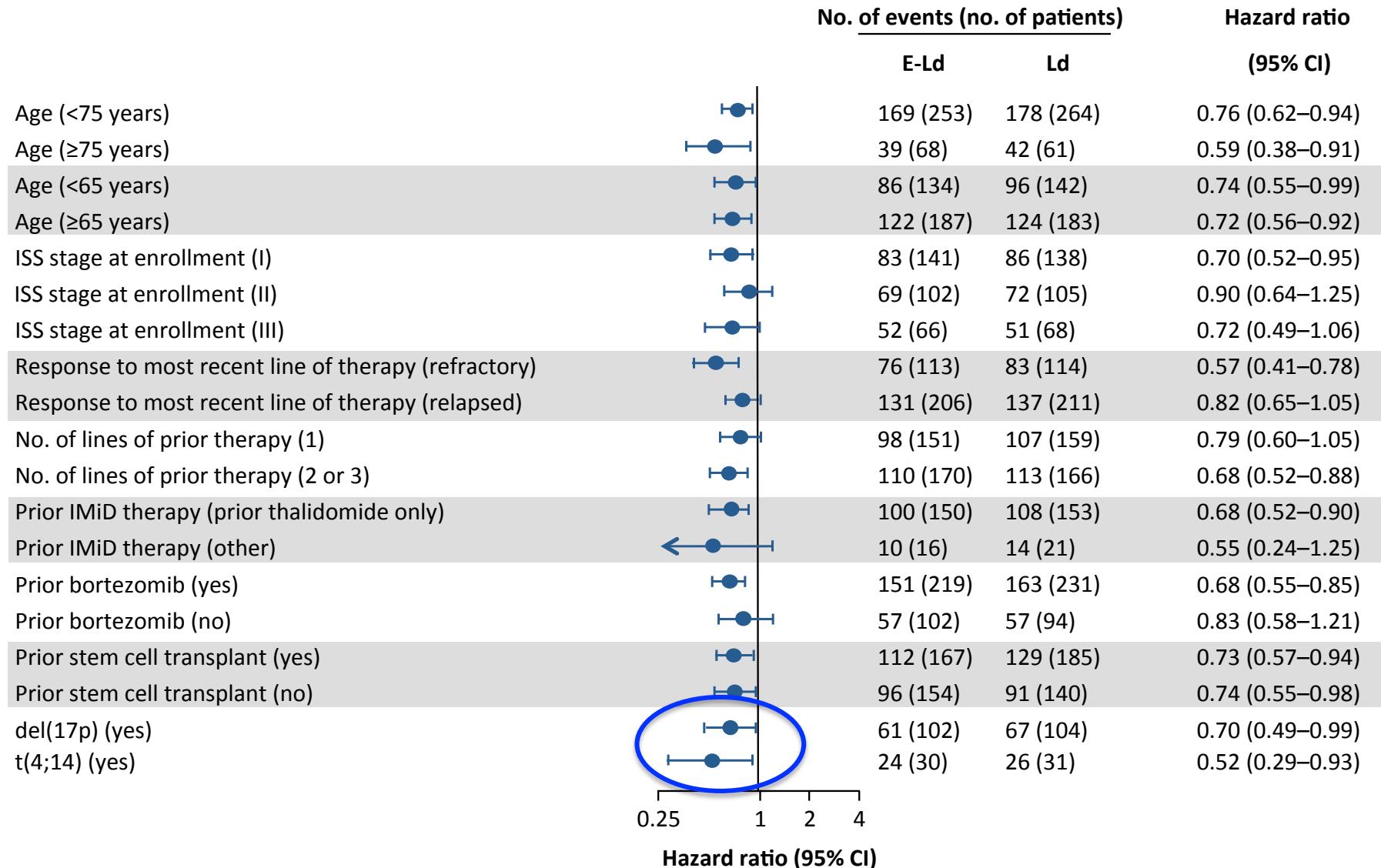
- At 4 years, ELOQUENT-2 has the longest follow-up for PFS in RRMM
- 29% reduction in the risk of progression or death (sustained over time)
- 50% relative improvement in the PFS rate at 4 years (21% vs 14%) in favor of ERd

*Minimum follow-up 48 months.

CI, confidence interval; ERd, elotuzumab, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; HR, hazard ratio; PFS, progression-free survival; Rd, lenalidomide/dexamethasone.

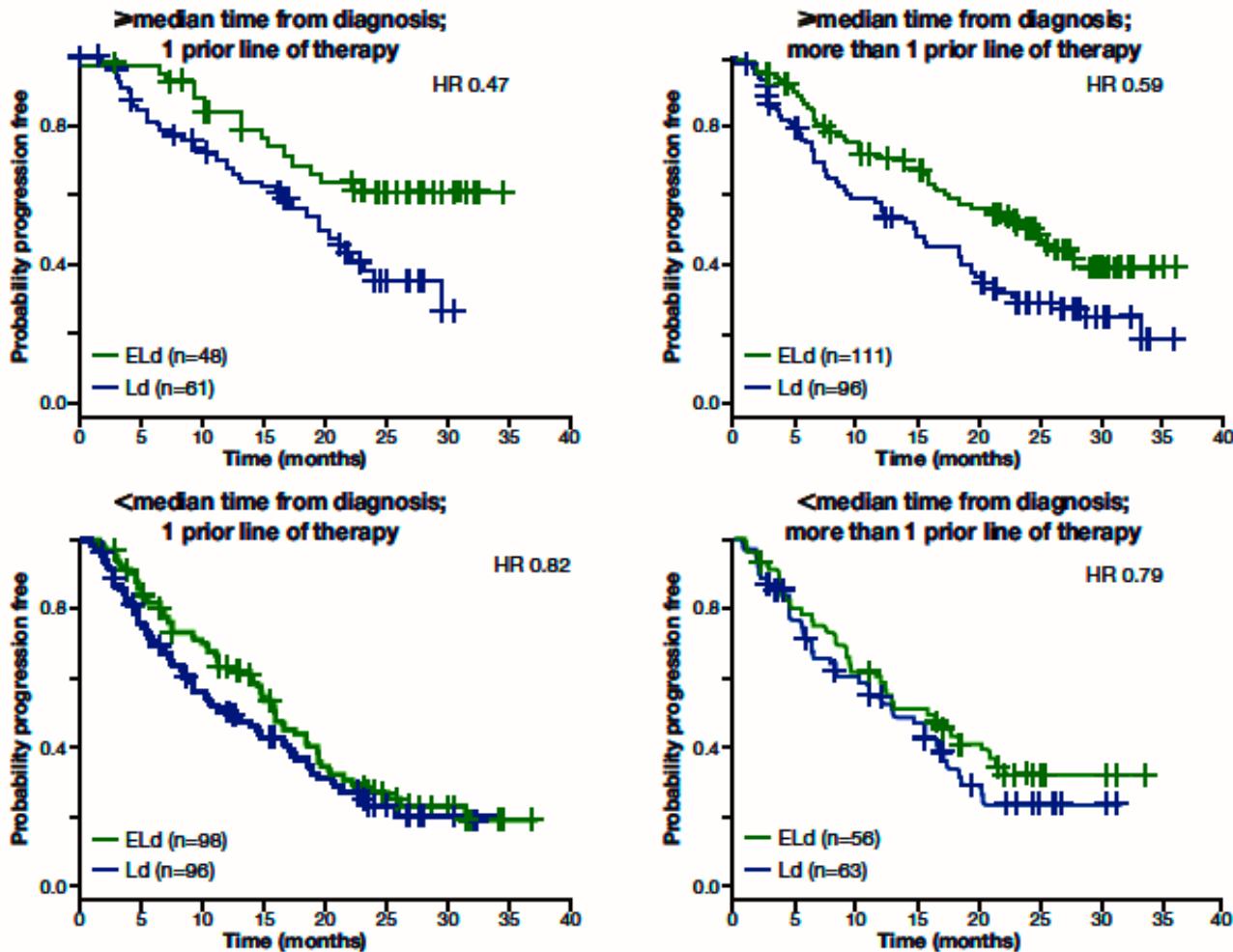
1. Dimopoulos MA et al. Oral presentation at EHA 2017. Abstract S456.

ELOQUENT: Predefined Subgroups

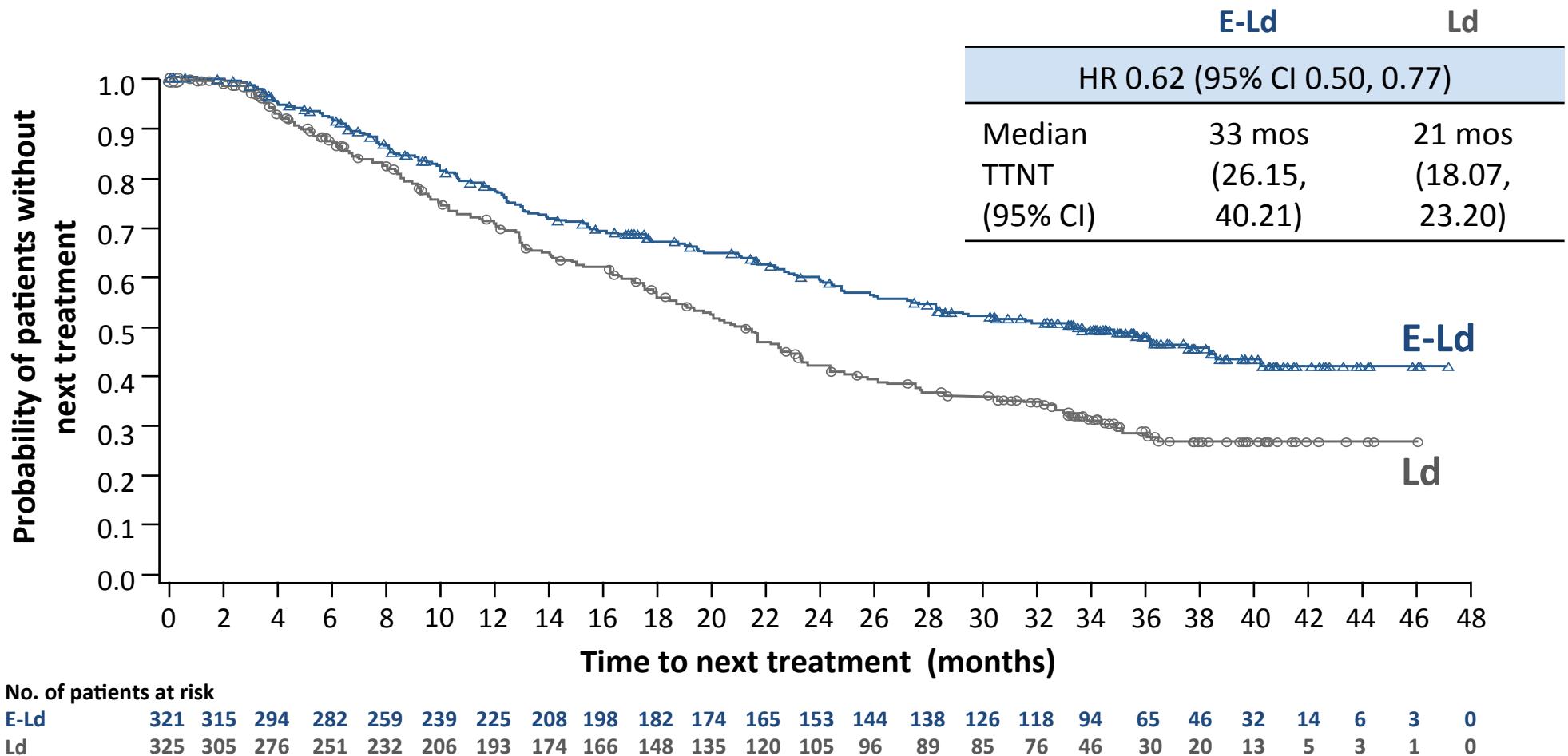


PFS stratified by median time from diagnosis and > 1 prior line of therapy

Figure 4. PFS stratified by median time from diagnosis and number of prior lines of therapy

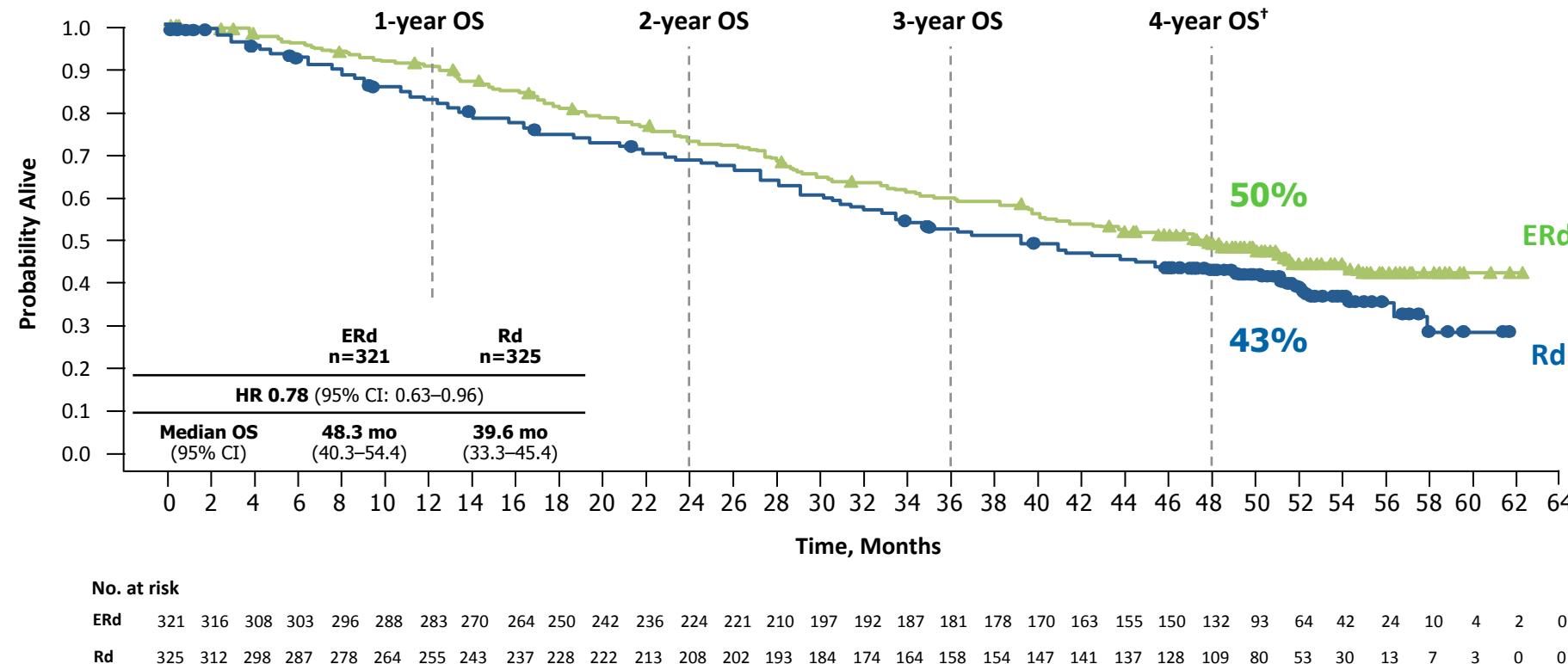


Eloquent-2: Time to next treatment



E-Ld-treated patients had a median delay of 1 year in the time to next treatment
vs Ld-treated patients

4-Year Follow-Up: OS Trend in Favor of EloRd Versus Rd Maintained^{1*}



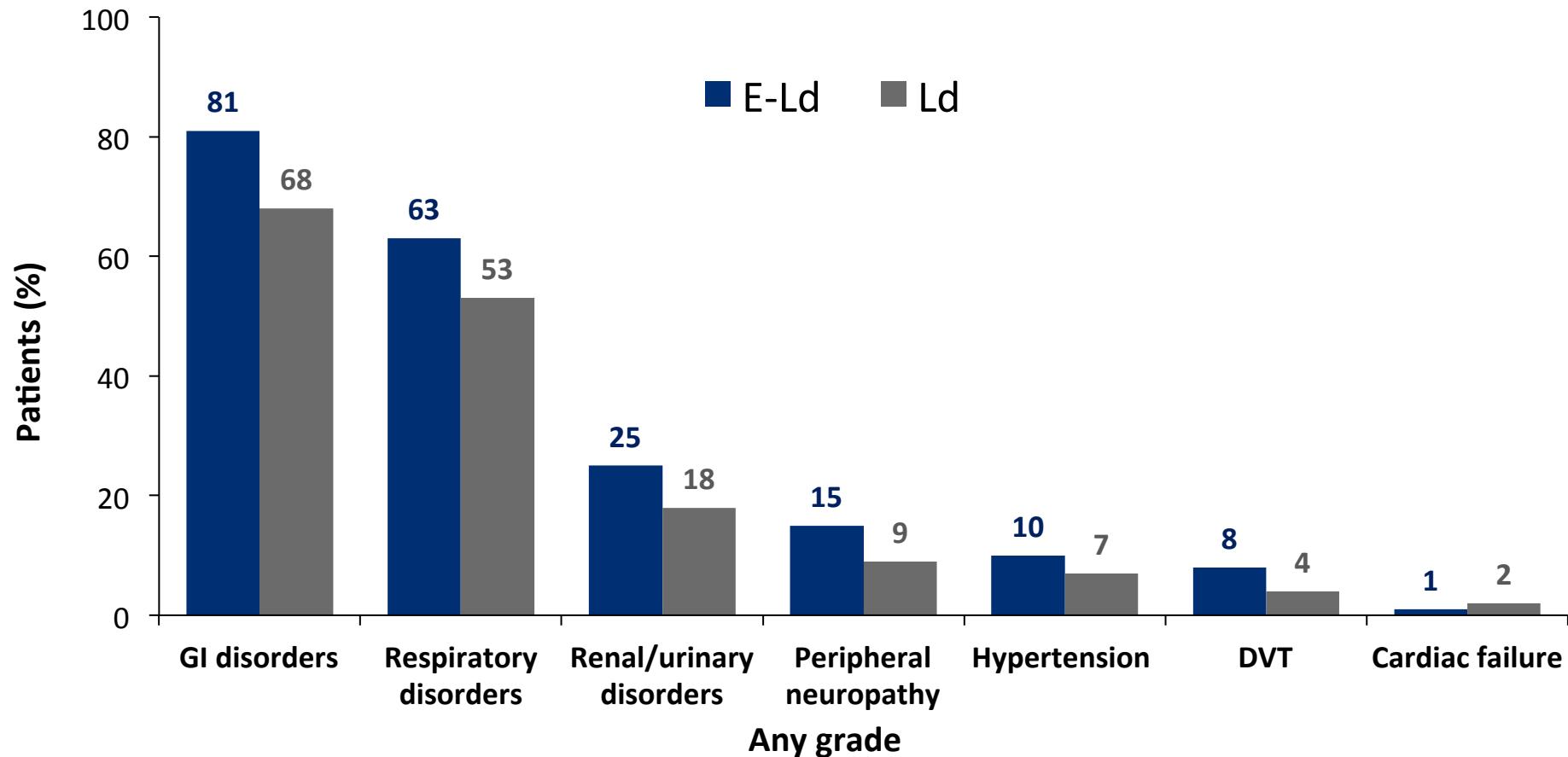
Early separation of OS curves was maintained over time in favor of ERd vs Rd

*Minimum follow-up 48 months. [†]OS analysis was not prespecified at 4-year follow-up; final analysis planned after 427 events.

CI, confidence interval; ERd, elotuzumab, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; Rd, lenalidomide/dexamethasone.

1. Dimopoulos MA et al. Oral presentation at EHA 2017. Abstract S456.

Eloquent-2: Adverse events of special interest



Infusion reactions of any grade were experienced by 10% of patients

- Most infusion reactions were Grade 1 or 2 and occurred during the first treatment cycle
- There were no Grade 4 or 5 infusion reactions

Biomarker Study: Effects of Elo on Soluble SLAMF7 Levels in MM^{1*}

- Soluble SLAMF7 has been detected in the serum of patients with MM, but is not detected in healthy individuals
 - sSLAMF7 levels may be associated with MM disease stage
- This study was performed to determine if sSLAMF7 could be a biomarker of MM and to see the effects of sSLAMF7 levels on elotuzumab treatment

Study Design

- Two ELISAs were developed to detect sSLAMF7 in the presence of elotuzumab
 - Total assay detected unbound and elotuzumab-bound sSLAMF7
 - Free assay detected unbound sSLAMF7
- Before initial elotuzumab infusion and during treatment, serum samples from patients treated with elotuzumab were collected from the following clinical trials*
 - CA204-011 (elotuzumab monotherapy in SMM)
 - HuLuc63-1703 (ERd in RRMM)
 - CA204-009 (EVd in RRMM)



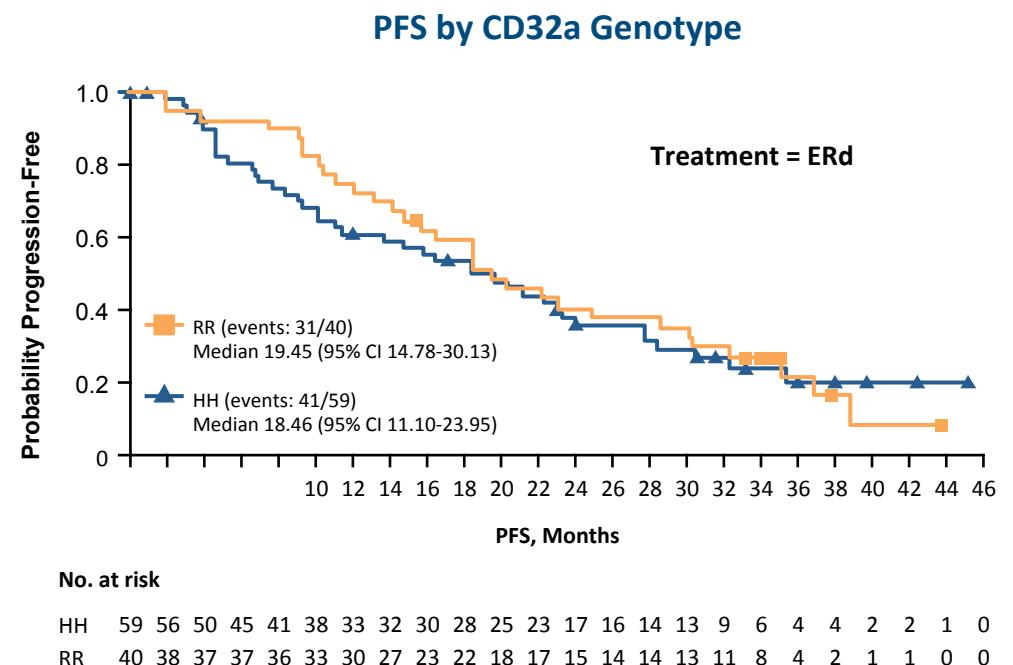
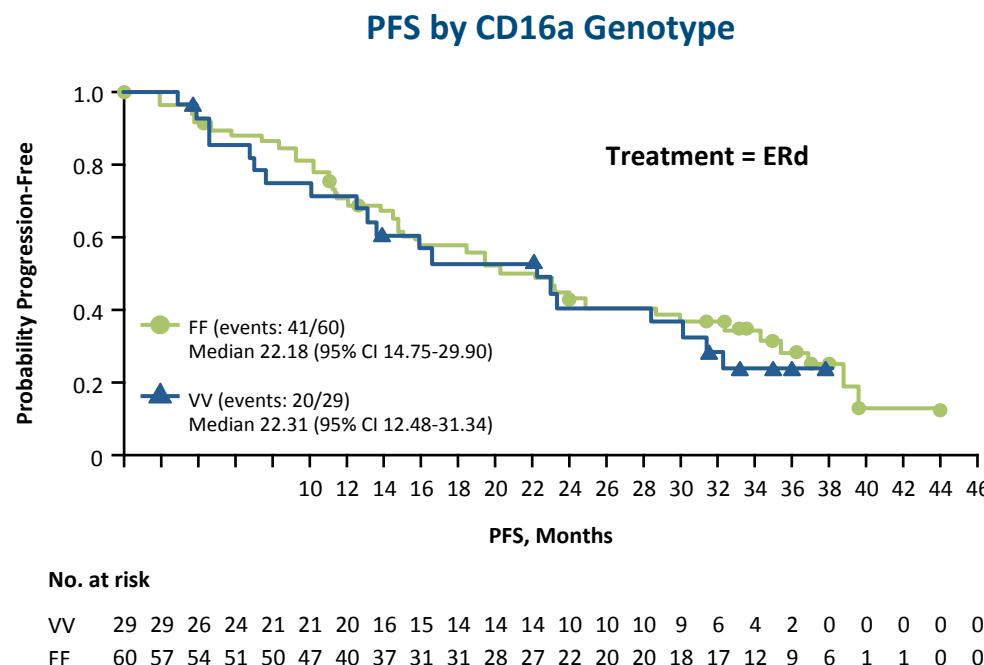
Conclusions

- Serum concentration of elotuzumab in patients is in vast excess compared with levels of sSLAMF7, suggesting that sSLAMF7 is unlikely to impair the activity of elotuzumab
- While baseline sSLAMF7 level was not an independent predictor of clinical outcome, early changes in sSLAMF7 may provide an indication of the likelihood of response to elotuzumab-containing regimens
- Decreases in free sSLAMF7 levels occur regardless of treatment regimen, but the greater decrease seen with elotuzumab may reflect not only enhanced reduction of tumor burden, but also targeted elimination of SLAMF7+ myeloma cells

*Patient samples from 3 clinical trials were used in this study; CA2014-011, HuLuc63-1703, and CA204-009.

ELISA, enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay; ERd, elotuzumab, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; EVd, elotuzumab, bortezomib/dexamethasone; MM, multiple myeloma; SLAMF7, signaling lymphocytic activation molecule F7; SMM, smoldering multiple myeloma; sSLAMF7, soluble SLAMF7. 1. Postelnek J et al. Poster presentation at ASH 2015. Abstract 2964.

Fc γ Receptor Polymorphisms and PFS in MM: PFS by Genotype in Patients Treated with EloRd¹



Adapted from Poulat V et al. 2016.¹

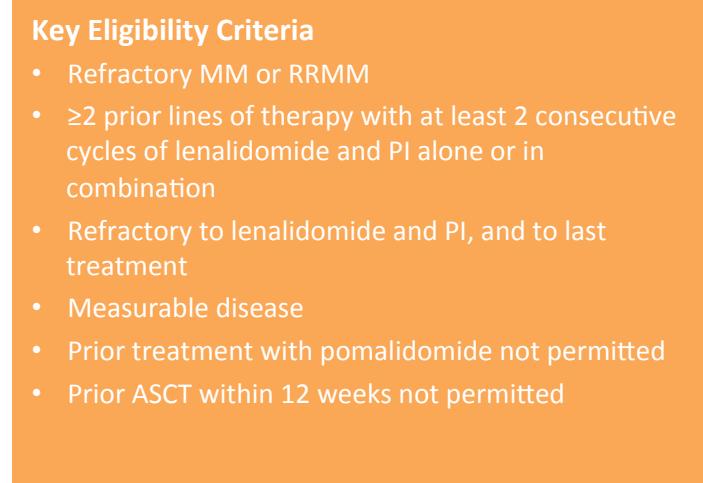
CI, confidence interval; ERd, elotuzumab, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; MM, multiple myeloma; PFS, progression-free survival.

1. Poulat V et al. Poster presentation at EHA 2016. Abstract E1281.



Study CA204-125 (ELOQUENT-3): Phase 2 Study of EloPd vs Pd in RRMM^{1,2}

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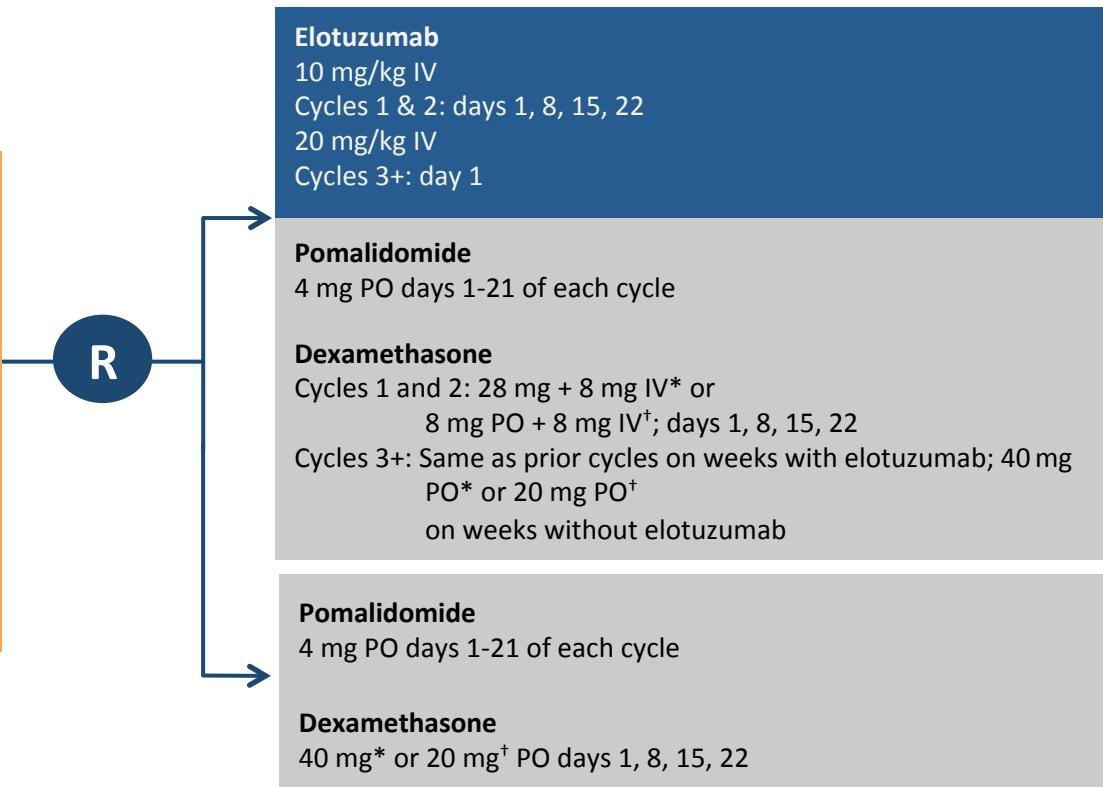


Start Date: March 2016

Estimated Study Completion Date: March 2019

Estimated Primary Completion Date: September 2017

Status: Ongoing, not recruiting participants



- **Primary Endpoint:** PFS
- **Secondary Endpoints:** ORR, OS

*For patients aged ≤75 years. †For patients aged >75 years. Cycles are 28 days.

ASCT, autologous stem cell transplant; EPd, elotuzumab + pomalidomide/dexamethasone; IV, intravenous; MM, multiple myeloma; PI, proteasome inhibitor; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; Pd, pomalidomide/dexamethasone; PFS, progression-free survival; PO, orally; R, randomization; RRMM, relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma.

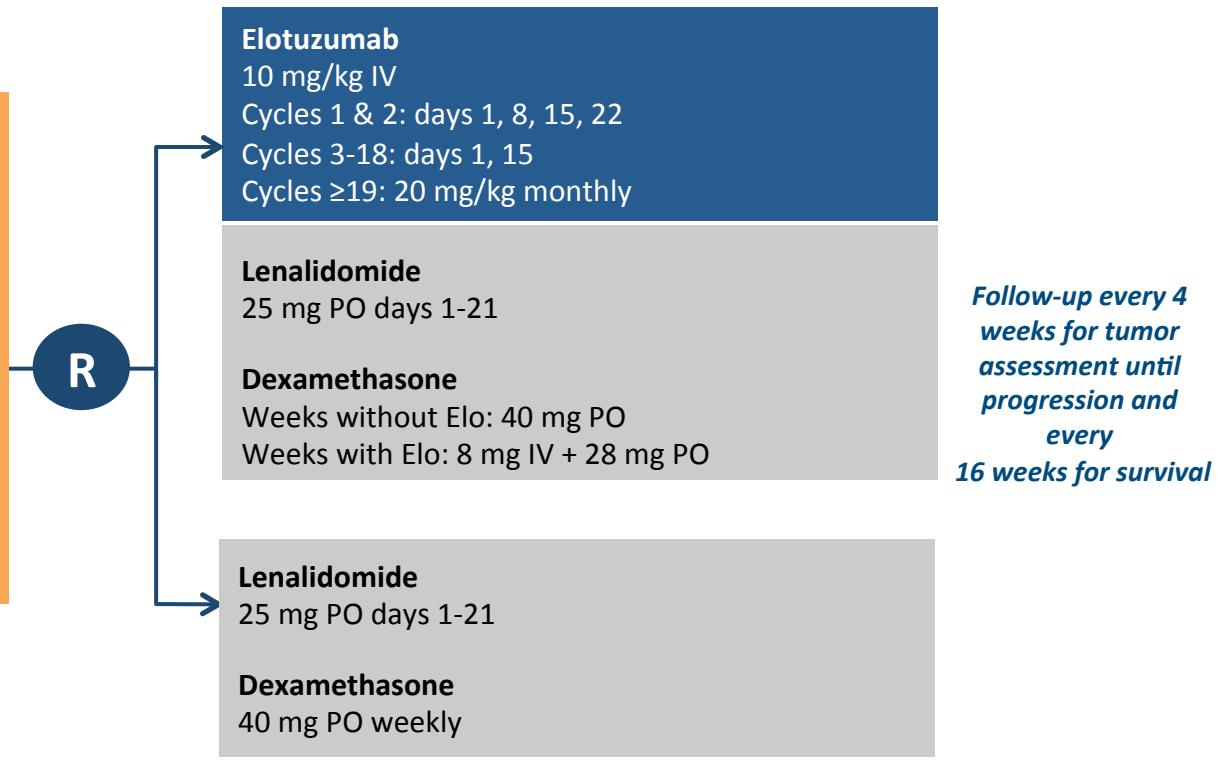
1. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT02654132. 2. San Miguel J et al. Poster presentation at ASCO 2016. Abstract TPS8066.

Study CA204-006 (ELOQUENT-1): Phase 3 Study of EloRd vs Rd in NDMM¹

N=750

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Newly diagnosed MM with no prior systemic anti-myeloma therapy
- Measurable disease
- Subjects who are not candidates for high-dose therapy plus stem-cell transplant because of age or coexisting conditions
- Subjects with active plasma cell leukemia, HIV, or active hepatitis A, B, or C not permitted
- Smoldering MM, defined as asymptomatic MM with absence of lytic bone lesions, not permitted
- MGUS not permitted



Start Date: May 2011

Estimated Study Completion Date: January 2019

Estimated Primary Completion Date: April 2018

Status: Ongoing, not recruiting participants

- **Primary Endpoint:** PFS
- **Secondary Endpoints:** ORR, OS

Elo, elotuzumab; ERd, elotuzumab, lenalidomide/dexamethasone; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; IV, intravenous; MGUS, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance; MM, multiple myeloma; NDMM, newly diagnosed multiple myeloma; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PO, orally;
R, randomization; Rd, lenalidomide/dexamethasone. 1. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01335399.

Study CA204-011: Phase 2 Biomarker Study of Elo Monotherapy to Assess the Association Between NK Cell Status and Efficacy in High-Risk SMM^{1,2}

N=41

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Confirmed diagnosis of SMM according to IMWG and that is considered high-risk according to the following:
 - Serum M-protein ≥ 3 gm/dL and BMPCs $\geq 10\%$ or
 - Serum M-protein 1-3 g/dL and BMPC $\geq 10\%$ and abnormal FLC ratio of <0.125 or >8.0
 - Urine M-protein >200 mg/24 hours, $\geq 10\%$ BMPCs, and serum FLC ratio ≤ 0.125 or ≥ 8.0

Elotuzumab

20 mg/kg IV
Cycle 1: day 1, 8
Cycle ≥ 2 : once monthly

Elotuzumab

10 mg/kg IV
Cycles 1 and 2: days 1, 8, 15, 22
Cycle ≥ 3 : day 1, 15

*Repeat every
28 days until progression,
unacceptable toxicity,
withdrawal of consent, or
end
of study*

Start Date: December 2011

Study Completion Date: January 2017

Primary Completion Date: May 2014

Status: Completed

- Primary Endpoints:** Association between elotuzumab-induced change in M-protein and baseline percentage of CD56^{dim}/CD16⁺/CD3⁺/CD45⁺ NK cells in bone marrow
- Secondary Endpoints:** ORR (IMWG criteria), change from baseline in QTc interval, 2-year PFS, safety

CD, cluster of differentiation; BMPC, bone marrow plasma cell; FLC, free light chain; IMWG, International Myeloma Working Group; IV, intravenous; NK, natural killer; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival; QTc, corrected QTc interval; SMM, smoldering multiple myeloma.

1. Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT01441973. 2. Richardson P et al. Oral presentation at EHA 2016. Abstract S815.

Rationale for targeting SLAMF7/CS1 with CAR T cells in MM

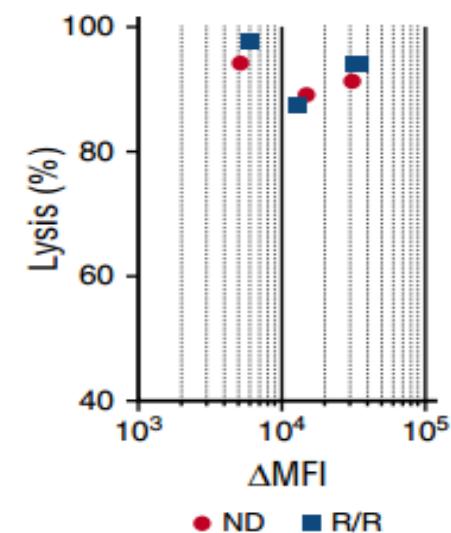
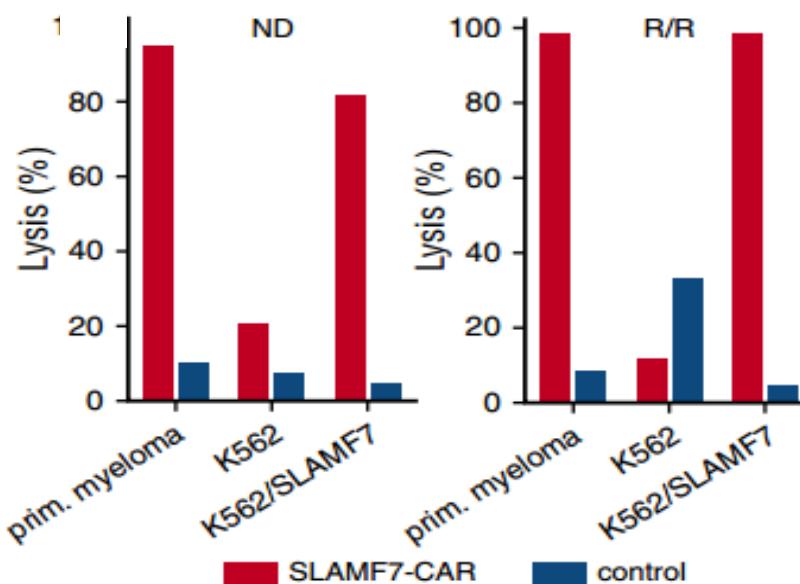
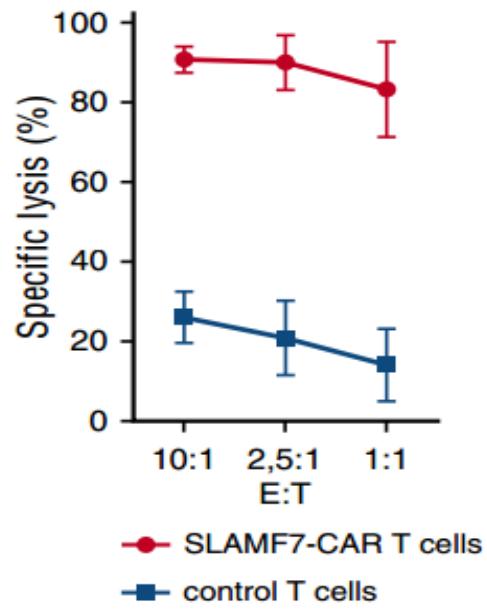
- Recent studies with autologous chimeric antigen receptor (CAR)-T cells targeting BCMA have shown promise in the treatment of patients with relapsed/refractory.
- SLAMF7/CS1 is highly expressed on MM tumor cells and is present in only a subset of T cells, B cells and NK cells among normal tissues.
- Elo, a monoclonal antibody targeting SLAMF7 has been found to be safe and effective in patients with MM.
- Preclinical work has demonstrated that anti-SLAMF7 CAR-T therapy can efficiently eradicate MM cells *in vitro* and *in vivo* (*Chu J et al, Clin Cancer Res 2014; Danhof S et al, Blood. 2015*).

SLAMF7-CAR T cells eliminate myeloma and confer selective fratricide of SLAMF7⁺ normal lymphocytes

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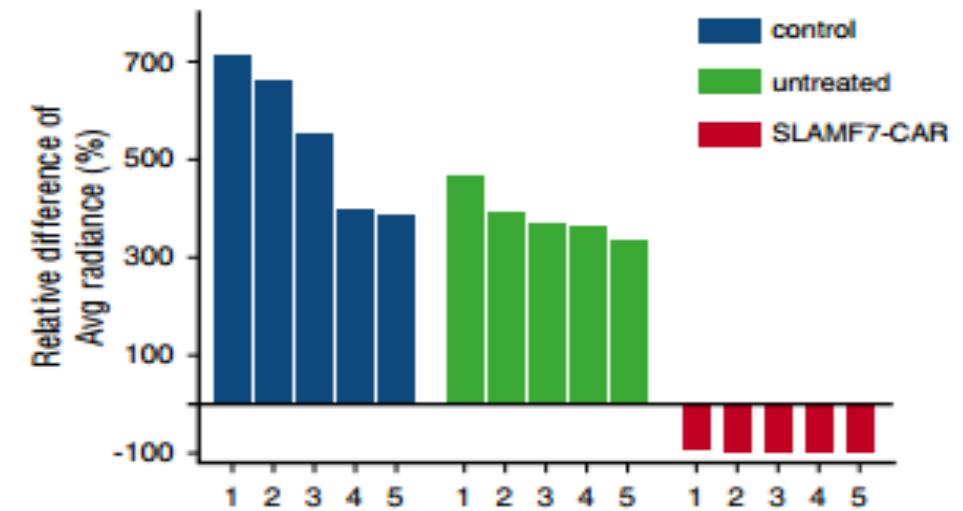
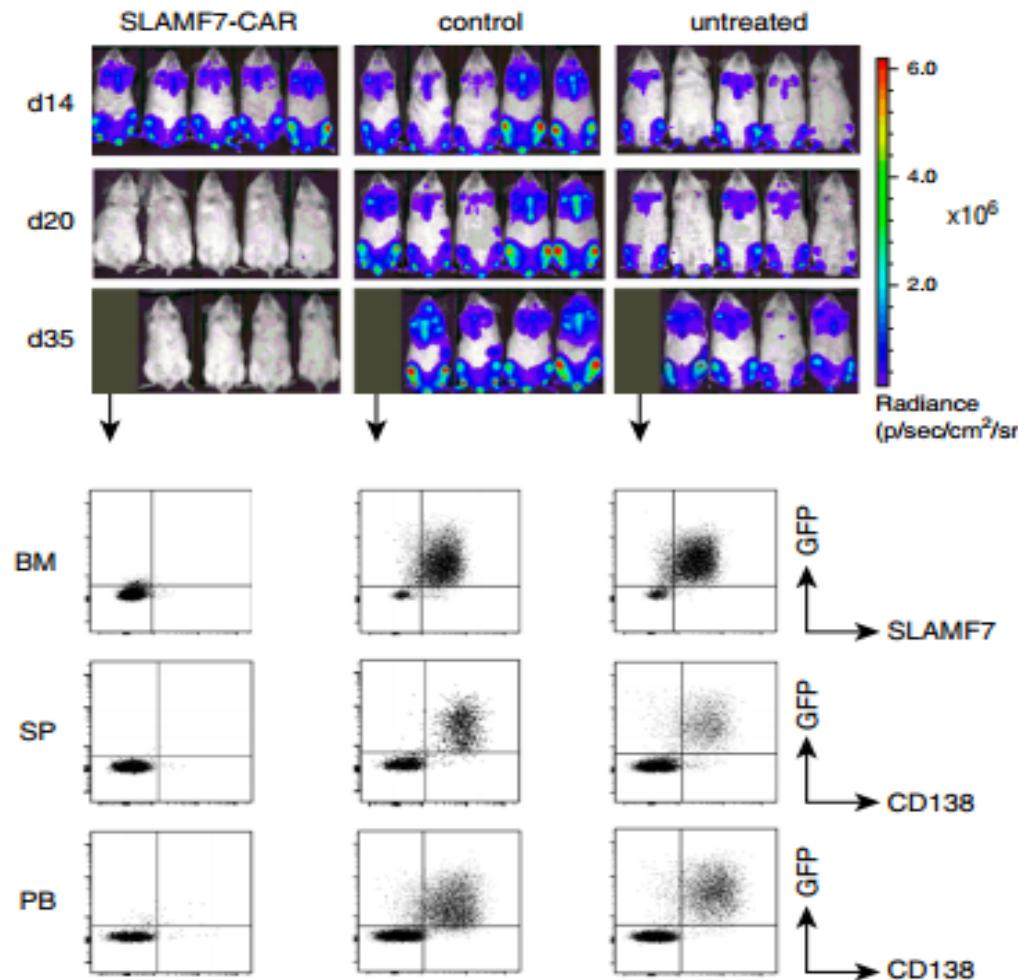


SLAMF7-CAR T cells exert rapid and complete cytotoxicity of primary myeloma cells

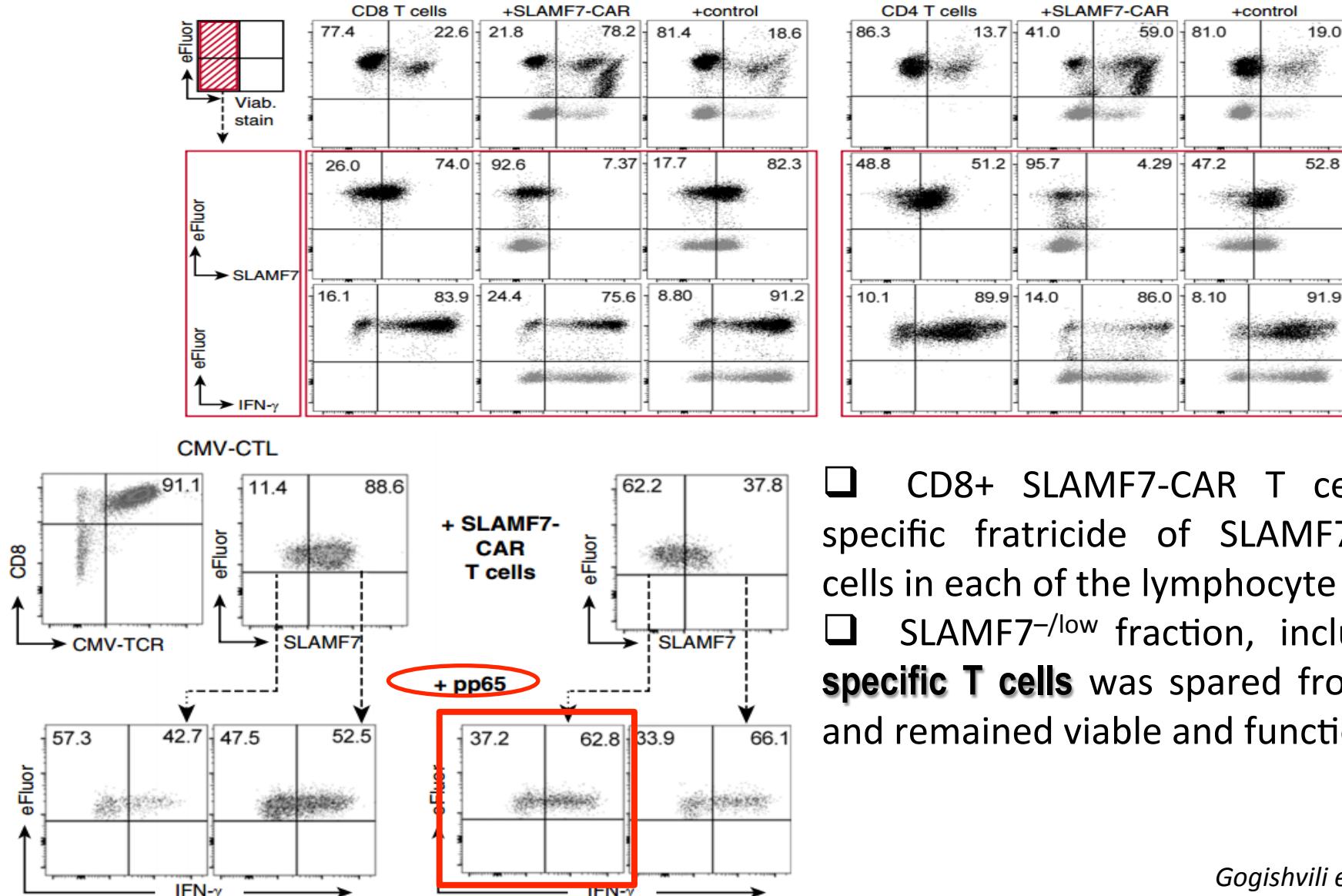


- SLAMF7-CAR T cells conferred near-complete cytotoxicity of primary myeloma cells in all 7 patients (percent specific lysis range, 87.5%-97.9%; mean, 92.5%), irrespective of the SLAMF7 expression level in a given patient.
- NO difference in cytolytic activity against myeloma cells from ND and R/R patients.

SLAMF7-CAR T cells eradicate systemic myeloma in a xenograft model



SLAMF7-CAR T cells confer selective fratricide of SLAMF7⁺ normal lymphocytes



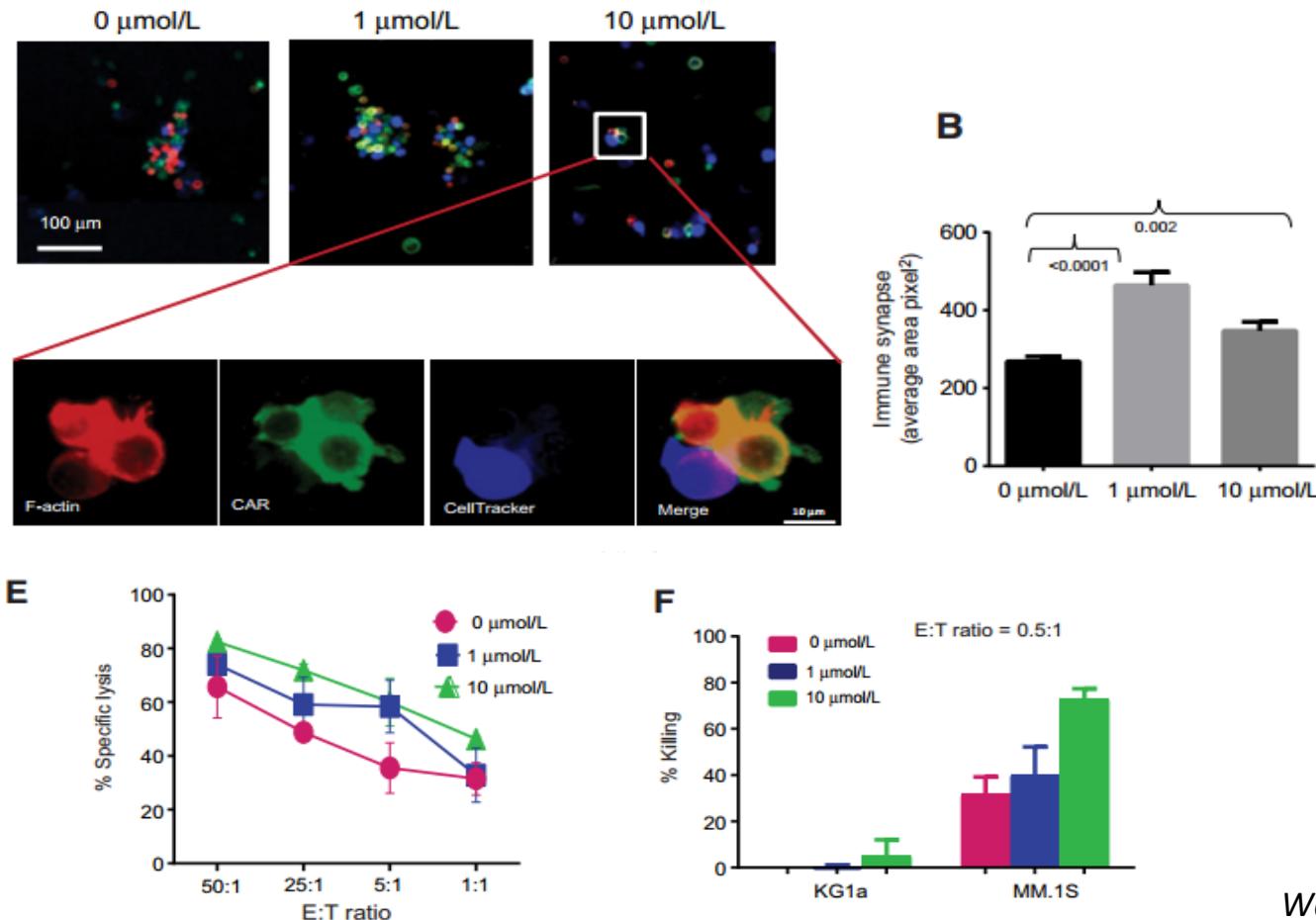
- CD8+ SLAMF7-CAR T cells induced specific fratricide of SLAMF7^{+/high} target cells in each of the lymphocyte subsets.
- SLAMF7^{-/low} fraction, including **virus-specific T cells** was spared from fratricide and remained viable and functional.

Lenalidomide Enhances the Function of CS1 Chimeric Antigen Receptor-Redirected T Cells Against Multiple Myeloma

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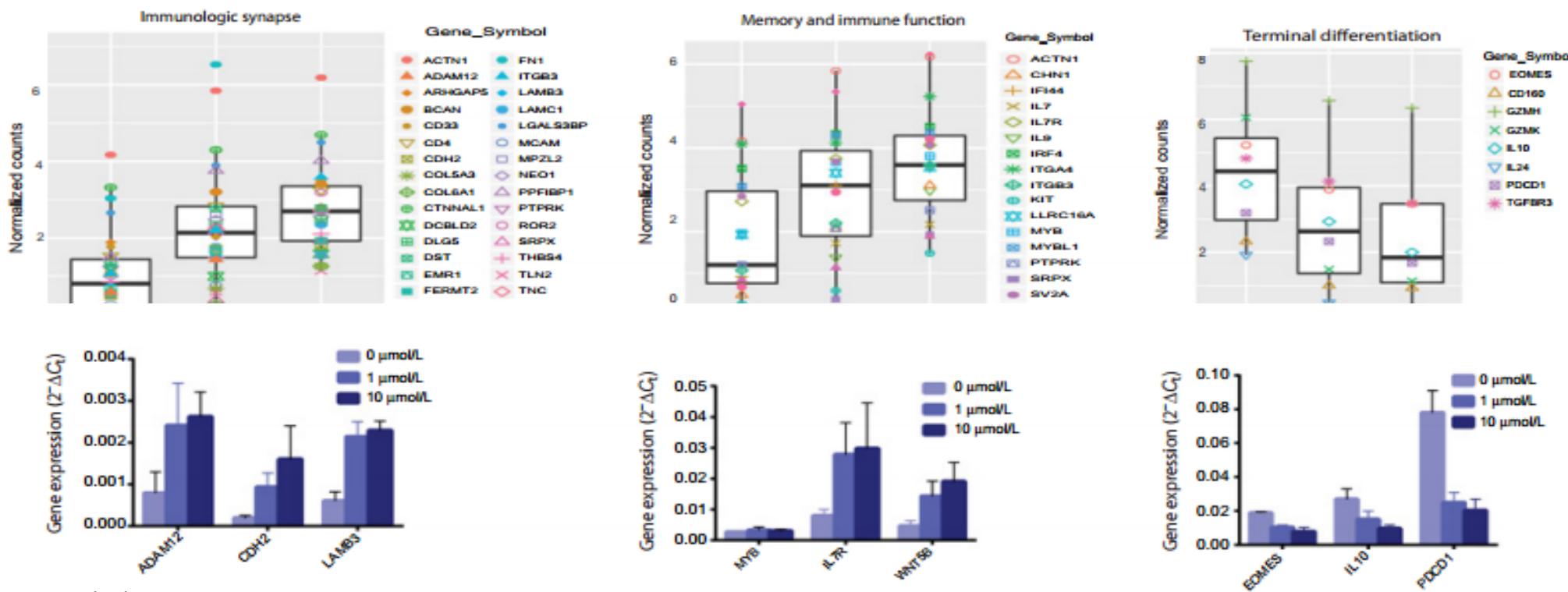
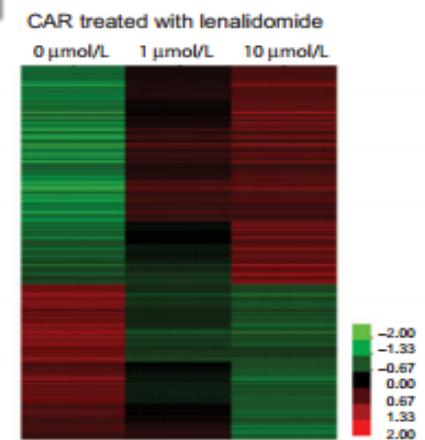
Lenalidomide improves immune synapse formation between CAR T cells and tumor cells



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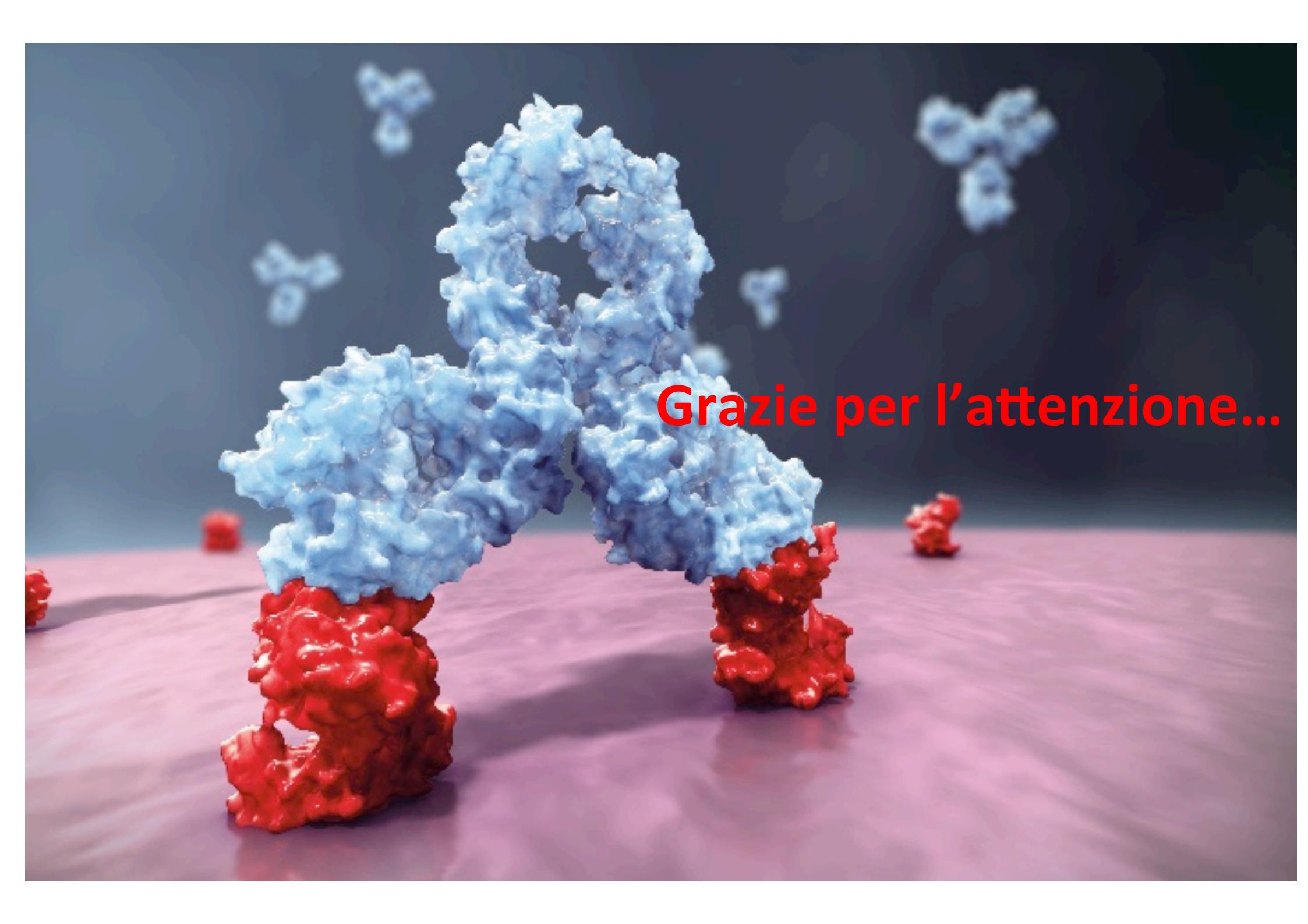
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- Lenalidomide enhances transcriptional signatures of immune synapse and T-cell function.
- IL7, ACTIN1, KIT, WNT5B, IL9, and MYB*, together with genes associated with enhanced effector function, such as *IRF4* and *IFI44*, or related to better homing capacity such as integrins *ITGA4* and *ITGB3* are upregulated.
- Lenalidomide suppresses genes in CAR T cells associated with exhaustion (e.g. *PDCD1, CD160*), terminal differentiation (*GZMK, GZMH* and *EOMES*), and immune suppression signals (*TGFB3R3* and *IL10*).



SLAMF7-CAR T: Key Points

- SLAMF7-CAR T cells are effective against refractory MM cells.
- SLAMF7-CAR T cells led to resolution of medullary and extramedullary myeloma in a murine xenograft model *in vivo*.
- SLAMF7-CAR T cells confer fratricide of SLAMF7^{+/high} normal lymphocytes.
- Importantly, however, the fratricide conferred by SLAMF7-CAR T cells spares the **SLAMF7^{-/low} fraction** in each cell subset and preserves functional lymphocytes, including virus-specific T cells.
- Lenalidomide potentiates SLAMF7-CAR T cells anti-myeloma effect modulating their transcriptional profiles.



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