



Soft Tissue Sarcomas - Update 2019 / Ongoing & Upcoming Clinical Trials in STS

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Soft tissue sarcomas - Basic characteristics

➤ Rare disease:

- Germany: ~5-6 / 100.000 inhabitants per year*

➤ Heterogeneous disease:

- > 50 different histological subtypes according to WHO

➤ Unfavorable prognosis:

- Median overall survival ~12-15 months (M1)





**European
Reference
Network**

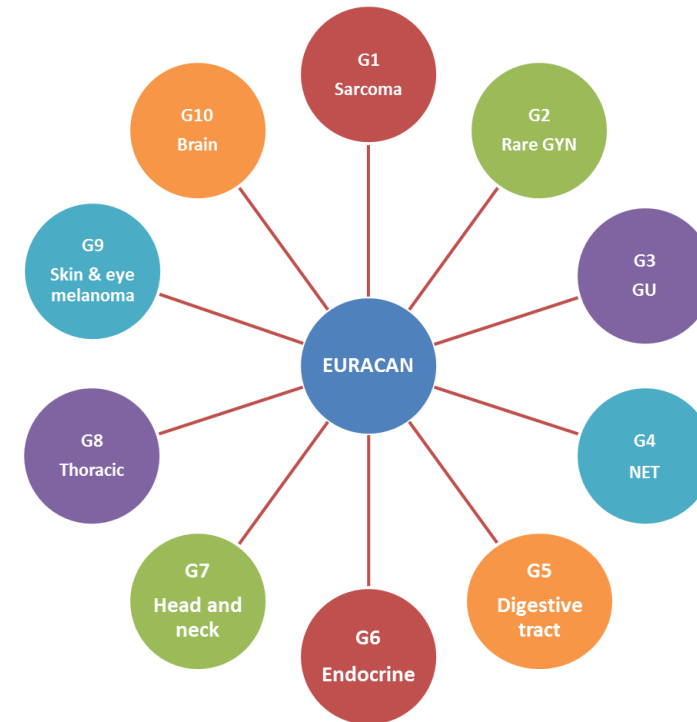
for rare or low prevalence
complex diseases



Network

Adult Cancers
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Melanoma Patient Network Europe

RARE SOLID ADULT CANCERS

Practice-changing (?) News in 2019: ANNOUNCE & Co

- **1st line Therapy with Olaratumab for Advanced STS:**
 - Phase III Doxorubicin + Olaratumab vs Doxorubicin + Placebo (ANNOUNCE)
- **Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy for High-Risk STS:**
 - Phase III Epirubicin + Ifosfamide vs Histology-specific regimens (ISG-STS 1001)
- **Preoperative Radiotherapy for Retroperitoneal Sarcomas:**
 - Phase III Preoperative Radiotherapy + Surgery vs Surgery alone (EORTC STRASS)
- **Ongoing & Upcoming Clinical Trials in STS**

CANCER *January 1974*

ADRIAMYCIN CHEMOTHERAPY—EFFICACY, SAFETY, AND PHARMACOLOGIC BASIS OF AN INTERMITTENT SINGLE HIGH-DOSAGE SCHEDULE

ROBERT S. BENJAMIN, MD, PETER H. WIERNIK, MD, AND
NICHOLAS R. BACHUR, MD, PhD

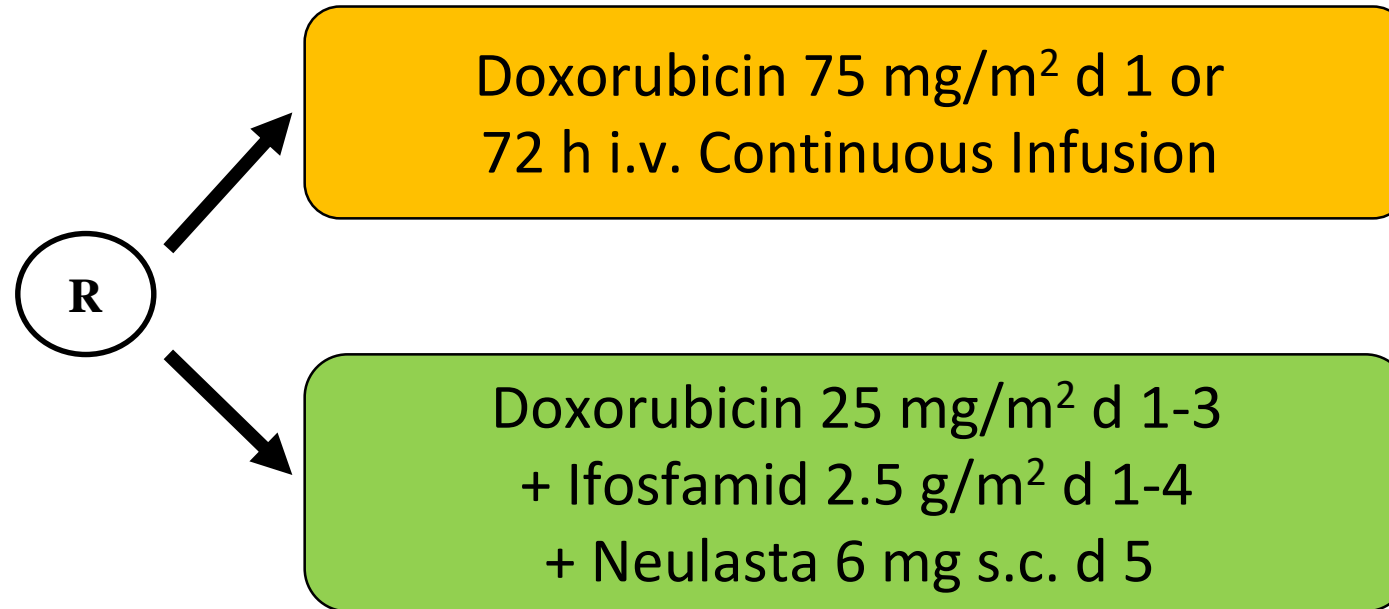
A study designed to correlate clinical and pharmacologic observations was undertaken in 96 patients treated with adriamycin. The basic dosage schedule was 60 mg/m² I.V. q 3 weeks. Pharmacokinetic studies showed a prolonged plasma half-life, low urinary excretion, and undetectable levels in CSF. Patients with significantly impaired liver function had marked elevation and prolongation of plasma drug levels associated with severe toxicity unless dosage was reduced by 50–75%. Of the 82 evaluable patients, 10/25 with sarcomas, 9/31 with carcinomas, and 15/26 with hematologic malignancies have achieved complete or partial remission. An additional 22/48 have improved. Six patients with solid tumors had progressive CNS disease while responding systemically. Adriamycin can be used with relative safety and high efficacy in a dosage schedule that resulted from pharmacologic studies. Dosage reduction in patients with liver disease is essential to avoid life-threatening toxicity.

Advanced STS - Role of Poly-Chemotherapy

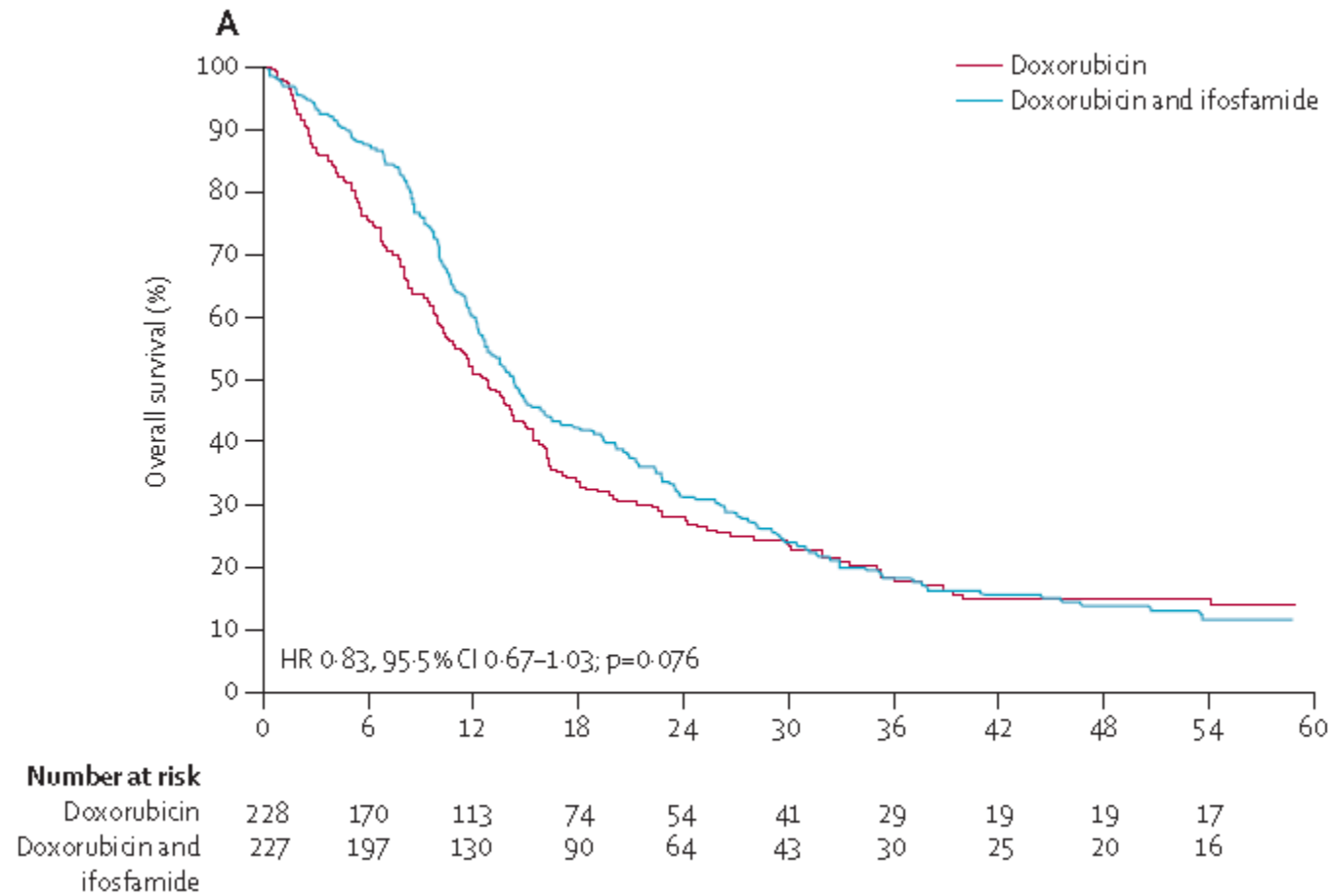
Authors	Chemotherapy	N	Response Rate		Survival
Muss et al. 1985	A/AC	104	NS		NS
Omura et al. 1983	A/AD	146	NS		NS
Borden et al. 1987	A/AD	186	AD = 30 %	($p = 0.02$)	NS
Lerner et al. 1987	A/AD	66	AD = 44 %	(LMS)	NS
Santoro et al. 1995	A/AI/CYVADIC	449	NS		NS
Borden et al. 1990	A/AVd	295	NS		NS
Edmonson et al. 1993	A/AI/APM	262	AI = 34 %	($p = 0.03$)	NS
Antman et al. 1993	AD/MAID	340	MAID = 32 %	($p = 0.002$)	NS
Judson et al. 2014	A/AI	415	AI = 26 %	(A = 14 %)	NS
Ryan et al. 2016	A/APal	447	APal = 28 %	(A = 19 %)	NS

No survival benefit ⇒ Doxorubicin (75 mg/m²) remained 1st line Gold-Standard

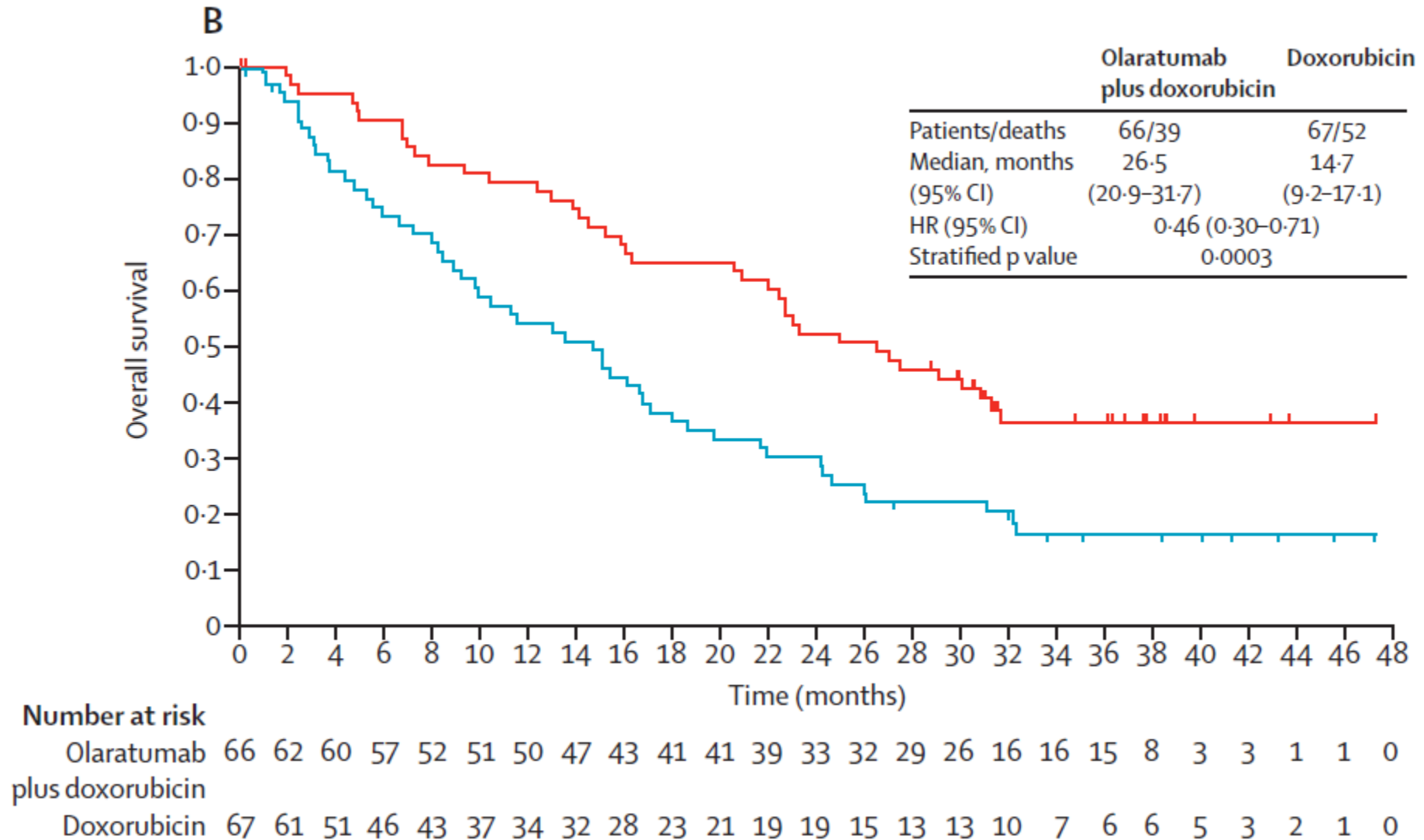
EORTC 62012 - Study Design



EORTC 62012 - Overall Survival



Olaratumab - Overall Survival (JGDG Phase 1b/2)



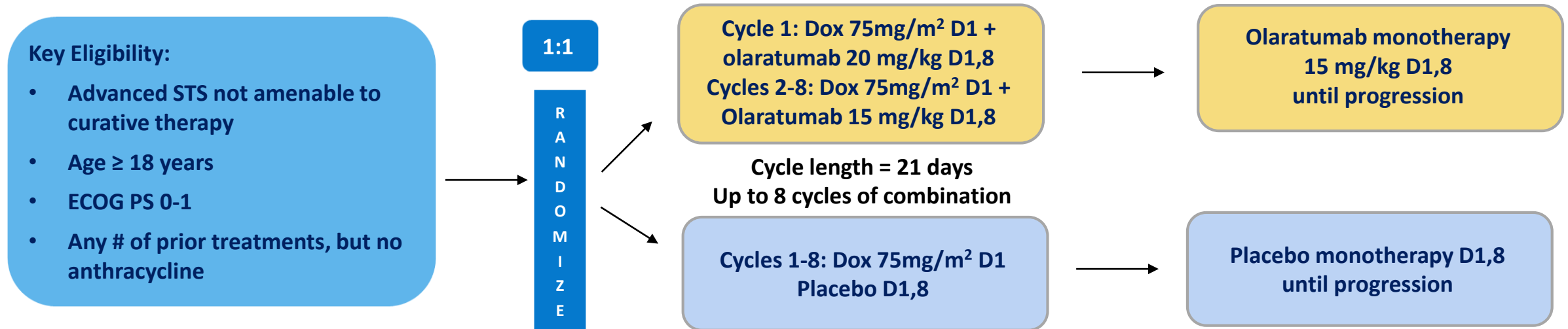
ANNOUNCE: A randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blind, phase 3 trial of doxorubicin + olaratumab vs doxorubicin + placebo in patients with advanced soft tissue sarcomas

William D. Tap, Andrew J. Wagner, Zsuzsanna Papai, Kristen Ganjoo, Chueh-Chan Yen, Patrick Schöffski, Albiruni Razak, Javier Martin Broto, Alexander Spira, Akira Kawai, Anders Krarup-Hansen, Axel Le Cesne, Brian A. Van Tine, Yoichi Naito, Se Hoon Park, Victoria Soldatenkova, Gary Mo, Ashwin Shahir, Jennifer Wright, Robin L. Jones

On behalf of the ANNOUNCE investigators
ASCO Plenary Session 2 June, 2019

2019 ASCO
ANNUAL MEETING

ANNOUNCE: Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled Phase 3 Study (n = 509)



Stratification factors: Number of prior therapies (0 vs ≥1), histology (LMS vs LPS vs UPS vs Other), ECOG PS (0 vs 1)

Primary endpoint: OS in the total STS & LMS populations

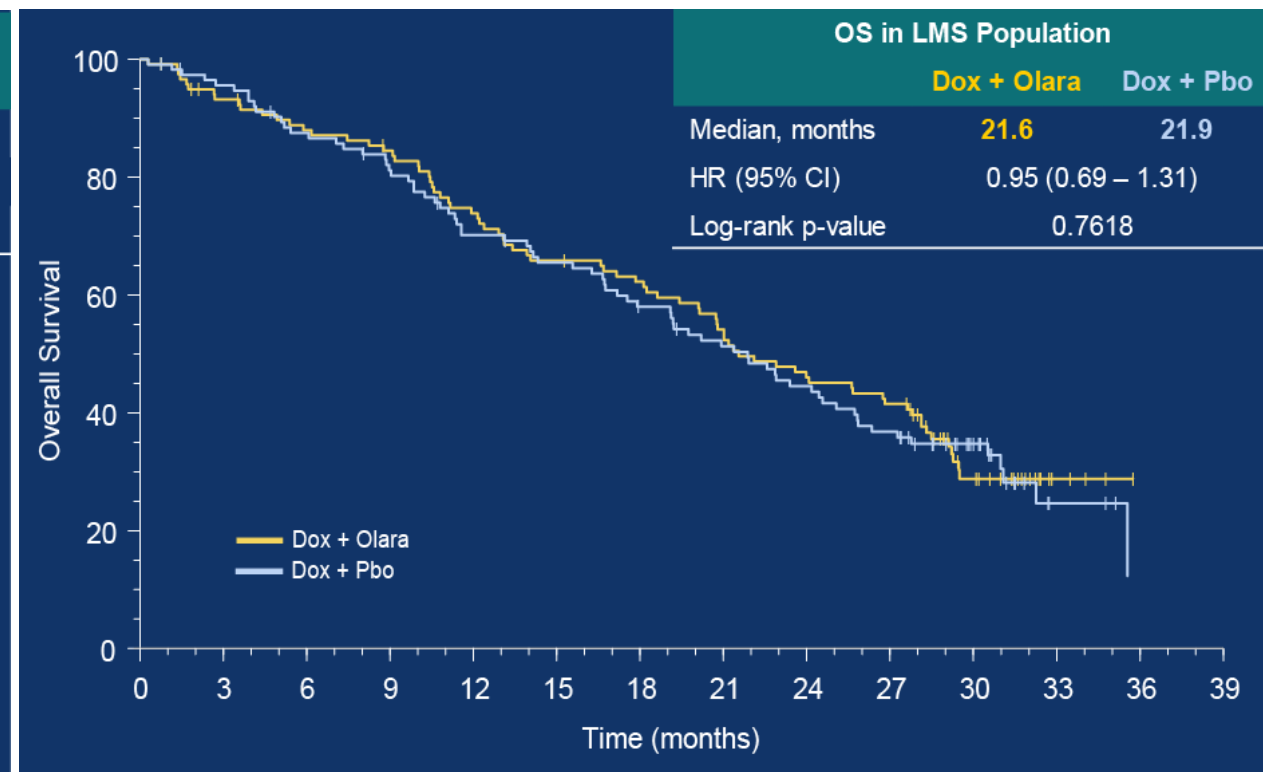
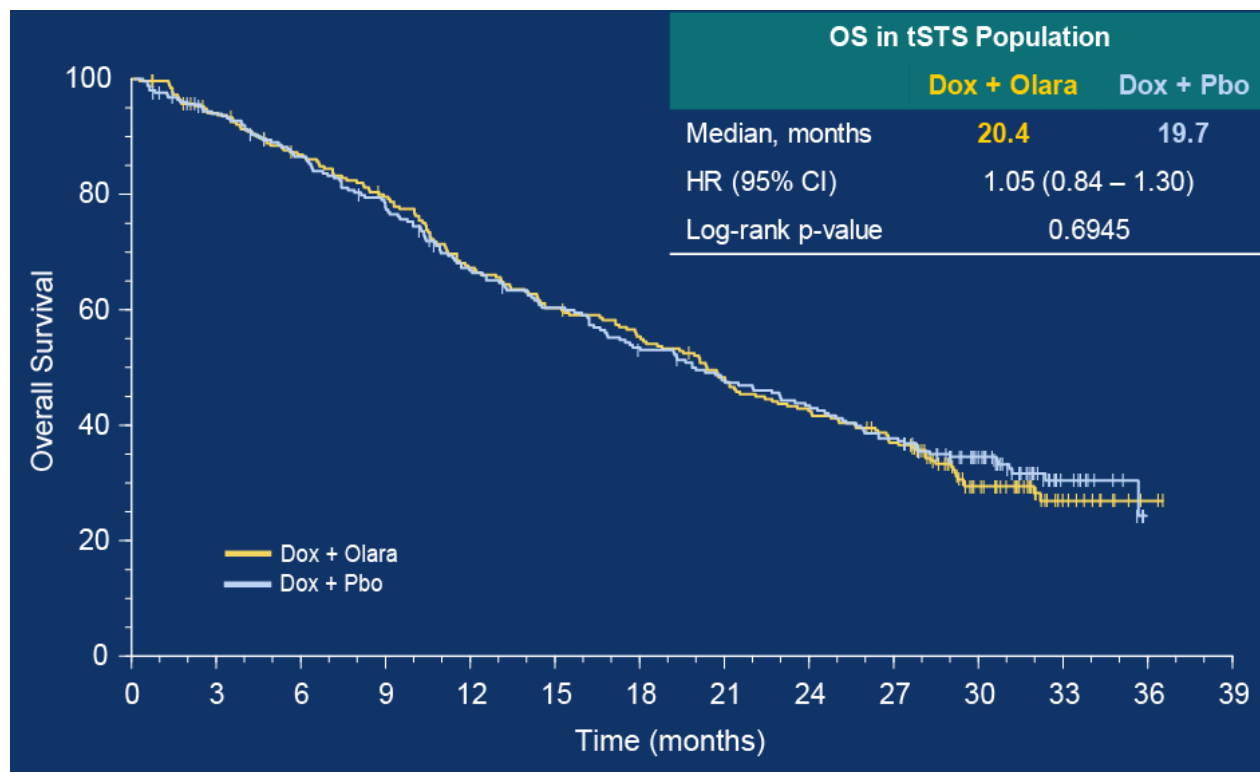
Key secondary endpoints: PFS, ORR, PROs, safety, PK, immunogenicity

Exploratory: Biomarkers, subgroup analyses

Other features: Dexrazoxane use allowed at any cycle, cardiac monitoring of LVEF prior to cycles 5, 7, & 9 then q3 months

D, day; Dox, doxorubicin; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; LMS, leiomyosarcoma; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PK, pharmacokinetics; PRO, patient-reported outcomes; q, every; STS, soft tissue sarcoma; UPS, undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma

Overall Survival: tSTS and LMS Populations



Dox, doxorubicin; LMS, leiomyosarcoma; Olara, olaratumab; OS, overall survival; Pbo, placebo; tSTS, total Soft Tissue Sarcoma

Phase 3 Trials in Advanced STS

2012

2014

2015

2016

2017

PALETTE¹

pazopanib vs. placebo

mOS: 12.5 vs. 10.7 mo

HR: 0.86

(95% CI, 0.67-1.11)

PFS: 4.6 vs. 1.6 mo

EORTC-62012²

dox vs. dox +

ifosfamide

mOS: 12.8 vs. 14.3 mo

HR: 0.83

(95% CI, 0.67-1.03)

PFS: 4.6 vs. 7.4 mo

PICASSO-III³

dox vs. dox +

palifosfamide

mOS: 16.9 vs. 15.9 mo

HR: 1.05

(95% CI, 0.79-1.39)

PFS: 5.2 vs. 6.0 mo

ET743-SAR-3007⁴

trabectedin vs.

dacarbazine

mOS: 13.7 vs. 13.1 mo

HR: 0.93

(95% CI, 0.75-1.15)

PFS: 4.2 vs. 1.5 mo

SARC 21⁶

dox vs. dox +

evofosfamide

mOS: 19.0 vs. 18.4 mo

HR: 1.06

(95% CI, 0.88-1.29)

PFS: 6.0 vs. 6.3 mo

E7389-G000-309⁵

eribulin vs.

dacarbazine

mOS: 13.5 vs. 11.5 mo

HR: 0.77

(95% CI, 0.62-0.95)

PFS: 2.6 vs. 2.6 mo

GeDDiS⁷

dox vs. doce +

gemcitabine

mOS: 17.6 vs. 15.5 mo

HR: 1.14

(95% CI, 0.83-1.57)

PFS: 23.3 vs. 23.7 wks

Led to drug approval

First Line

Second Line +

Third Line +

dox, doxorubicin; doce, docetaxel; EORTC, European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer; GeDDiS, gemcitabine and docetaxel versus doxorubicin as first-line treatment in previously untreated advanced unresectable or metastatic soft-tissue sarcomas; mOS, median overall survival; mo, month; PICASSO, palifosfamide-tris with doxorubicin for soft tissue sarcoma; SARC, Sarcoma Alliance for Research Through Collaboration; STS, soft tissue sarcoma; wks, weeks.

1. Van der Graaf et al. *Lancet* 2012; 2. Judson I et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2014; 3. Ryan et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2016; 4. Trabectedin US prescribing information 2019; 5. Schöffski et al. *Lancet* 2016; 6. Tap et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2017; 7. Seddon et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2017

ANNOUNCE

- Was a well controlled and conducted Phase 3 trial which failed to meet its overall survival primary endpoint in all STS histologies and the LMS population
- Did not confirm the benefit seen in the Phase 1b/2 trial
- The control arm had the highest OS for doxorubicin in any randomized STS trial
 - Entry not limited to first line and allowed up to 600 mg/m² doxorubicin
- After data read out, the trial sponsor and global regulatory agencies recommended no new patients to be started on olaratumab
- Withdrawal of olaratumab from the market for the treatment of advanced soft-tissue sarcoma patients



Systemic Treatment Options beyond 1st line

- **All STS (Europe) *since 2007*** **Trabectedin**
- **LMS + LPS (USA) *since 2015*** **Trabectedin**
- **All STS without LPS *since 2012*** **Pazopanib**
- **Only Liposarcomas *since 2016*** **Eribulin**

Doxorubicin pretreated STS

Gem/DTIC or Gem/Docetaxel (*ESMO-EURACAN 2018*)

Pretreated, non-adipocytic STS

Regorafenib (*ESMO-EURACAN 2018*)

All STS

Inclusion in clinical trials (*ESMO-EURACAN 2018*)



Annals of Oncology 0 (Supplement 0): iv1–iv17, 2018
doi:10.1093/annonc/mdy096

CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

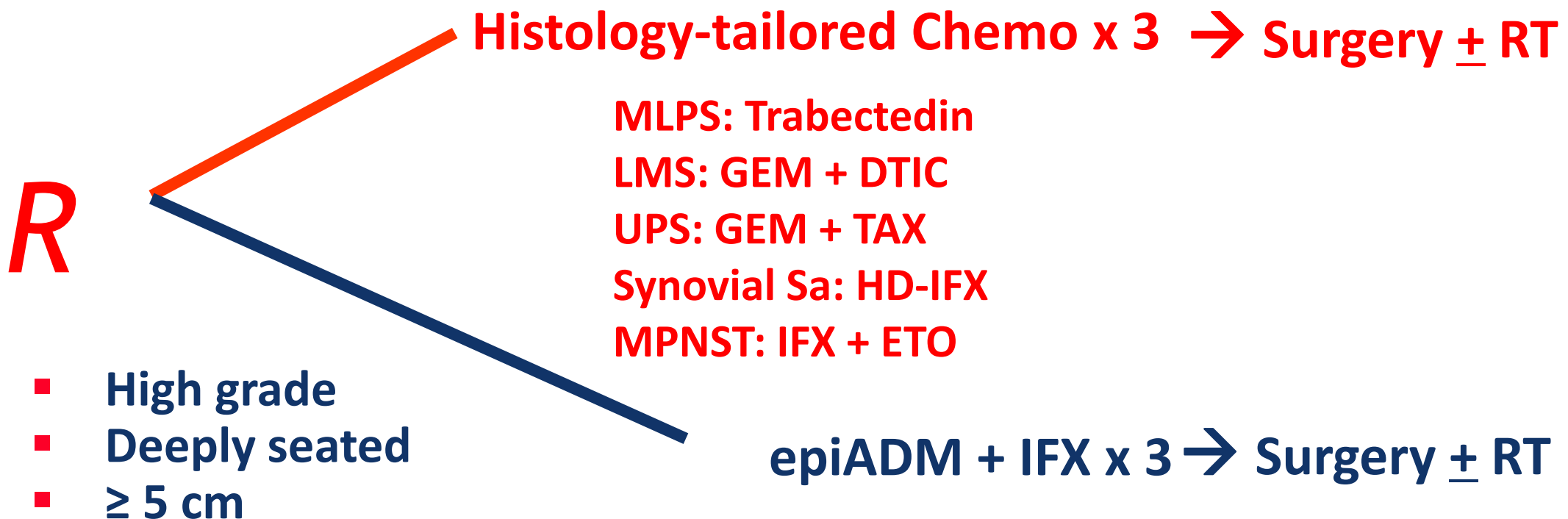
Soft tissue and visceral sarcomas: ESMO–EURACAN
Clinical Practice Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment
and follow-up[†]



NEOADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY IN HIGH-RISK SOFT TISSUE SARCOMAS: FINAL RESULTS OF A RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIAL FROM THE ITALIAN SARCOMA GROUP (ISG), THE SPANISH SARCOMA GROUP (GEIS), THE FRENCH SARCOMA GROUP (FSG) AND THE POLISH SARCOMA GROUP (PSG).

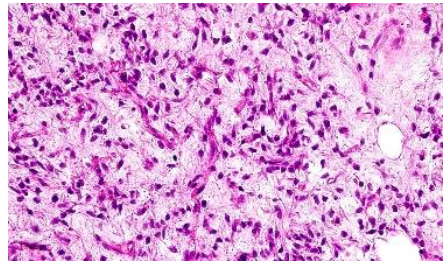
Gronchi A; Palmerini E; Quagliuolo V; Martin Broto J; Lopez Pousa A; Grignani G; Brunello A; Blay JY; Tendero O; Beveridge RD; Ferraresi V; Lugowska I; Merlo FD; Fontana V; Marchesi E; Donati DM; Palassini E; Bianchi G; Marrari A; Morosi C; Stacchiotti S; Bagué S; Coindre JM; Dei Tos AP; Picci P; Bruzzi P and Casali PG

ISG - STS 1001



287 patients: Histology

MLPS

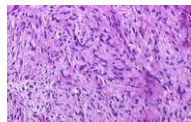


65 (23 %)

HT = 28 (10 %)

S = 37 (13 %)

LMS

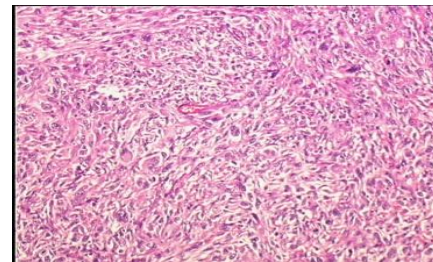


28 (10 %)

HT = 16 (6 %)

S = 12 (4 %)

UPS

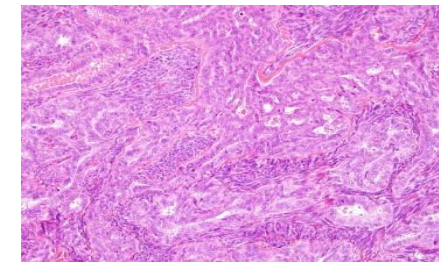


97 (34 %)

HT = 52 (18 %)

S = 45 (16 %)

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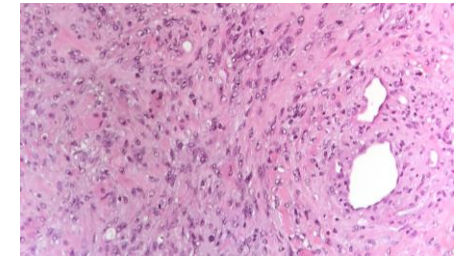


70 (24 %)

HT = 34 (12 %)

S = 36 (12 %)

MPNST

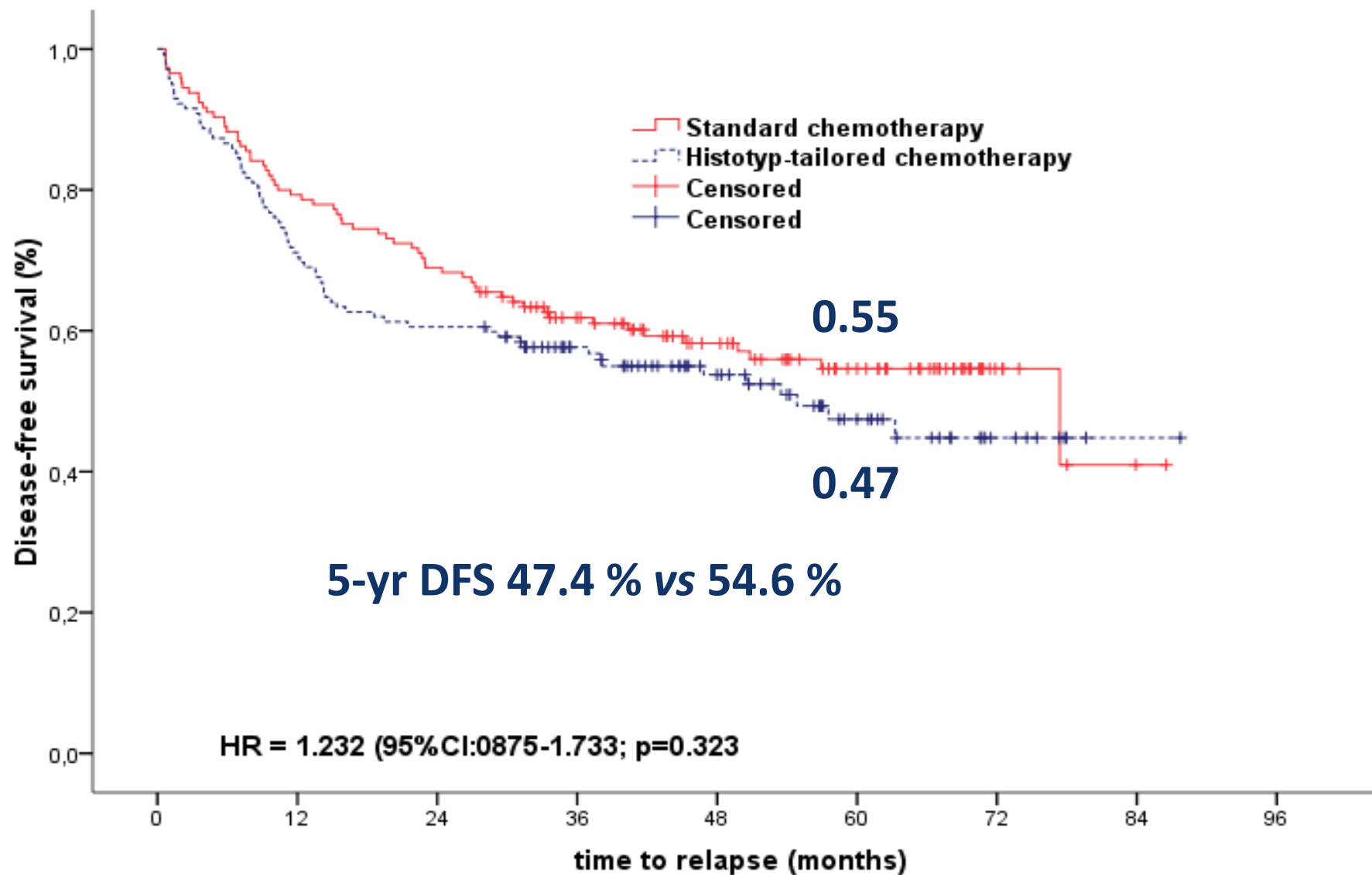


27 (9 %)

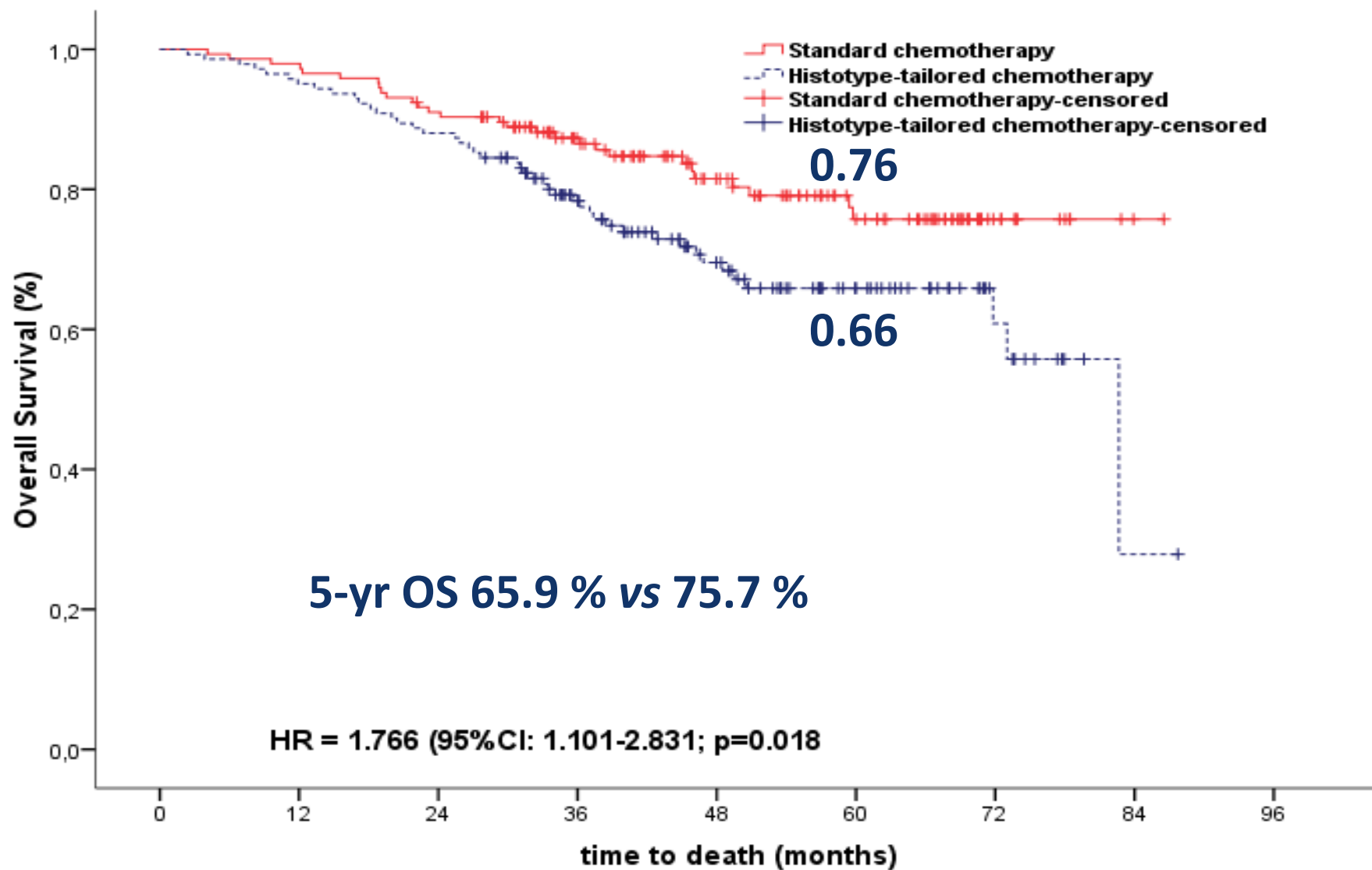
HT = 12 (4 %)

S = 15 (5 %)

Disease Free Survival



Overall Survival



Conclusions

- Was a Histology-tailored CT superior to a DOX-based CT?

NO

- Was this DOX-based CT superior to the other arm?

Possibly

- OS difference
- non statistically significant trend in DFS

- Did the DOX-based neoadjuvant CT perform?

YES

- overlapping to the two previous ISG trials

- The final study analysis confirms that DOX + IFO is essential - as of today - to (neo)adjuvant CT in STS.
- These results add to, but cannot contribute to settle the long-lasting debate about its efficacy.

STRASS

**A phase III randomized study of preoperative
radiotherapy plus surgery versus surgery alone for patients with
retroperitoneal sarcoma
EORTC protocol [62092-22092]**

Bonvalot S (Institut Curie Paris, **STBSG**)

Gronchi A, Le Péchoux C

Swallow C, Strauss D, Meeus P, van Coevorden F

Stoldt S, Stoeckle E, Rutkowski P

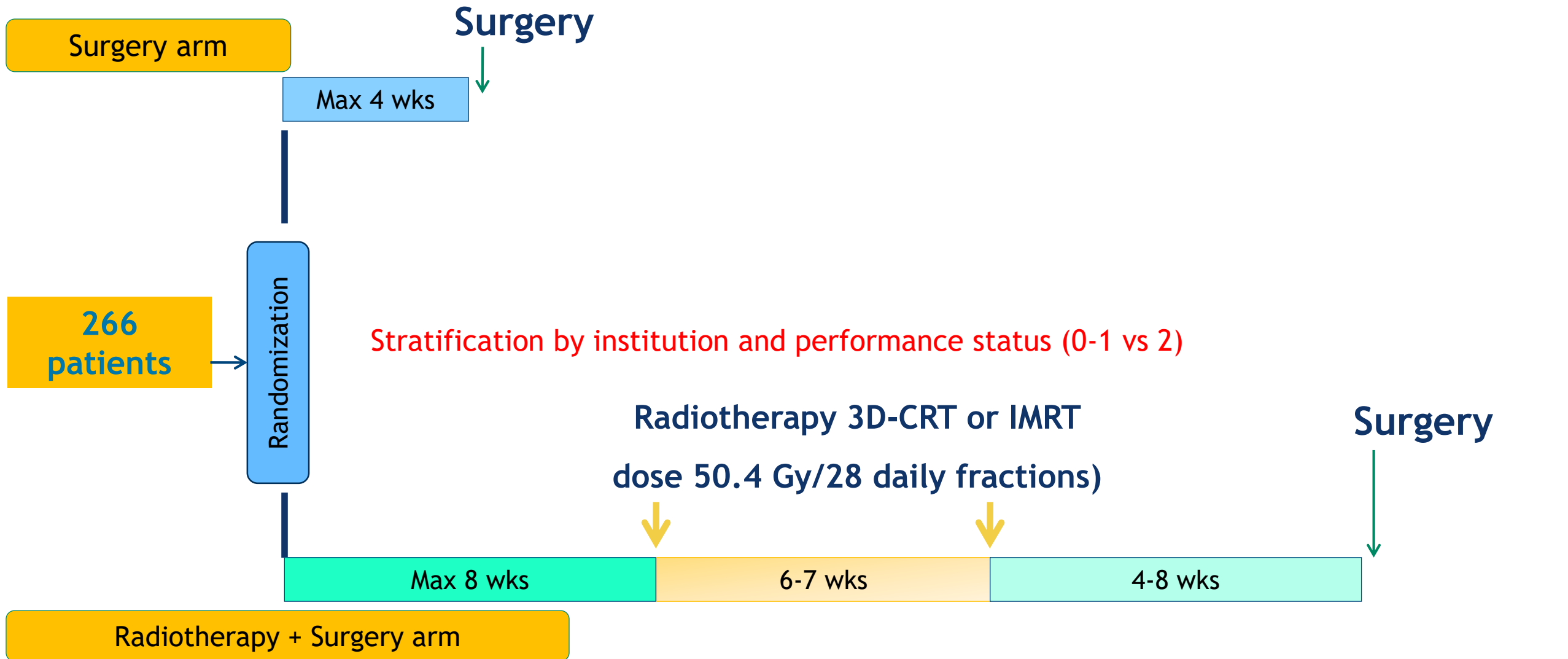
Rastrelli M, Raut C, Sangalli C, Honoré C, Chung P, Fiore M

Litière S, Marreaud S, Gelderblom H

Haas R (NKI Amsterdam, **ROG**)



STRASS: Study Design



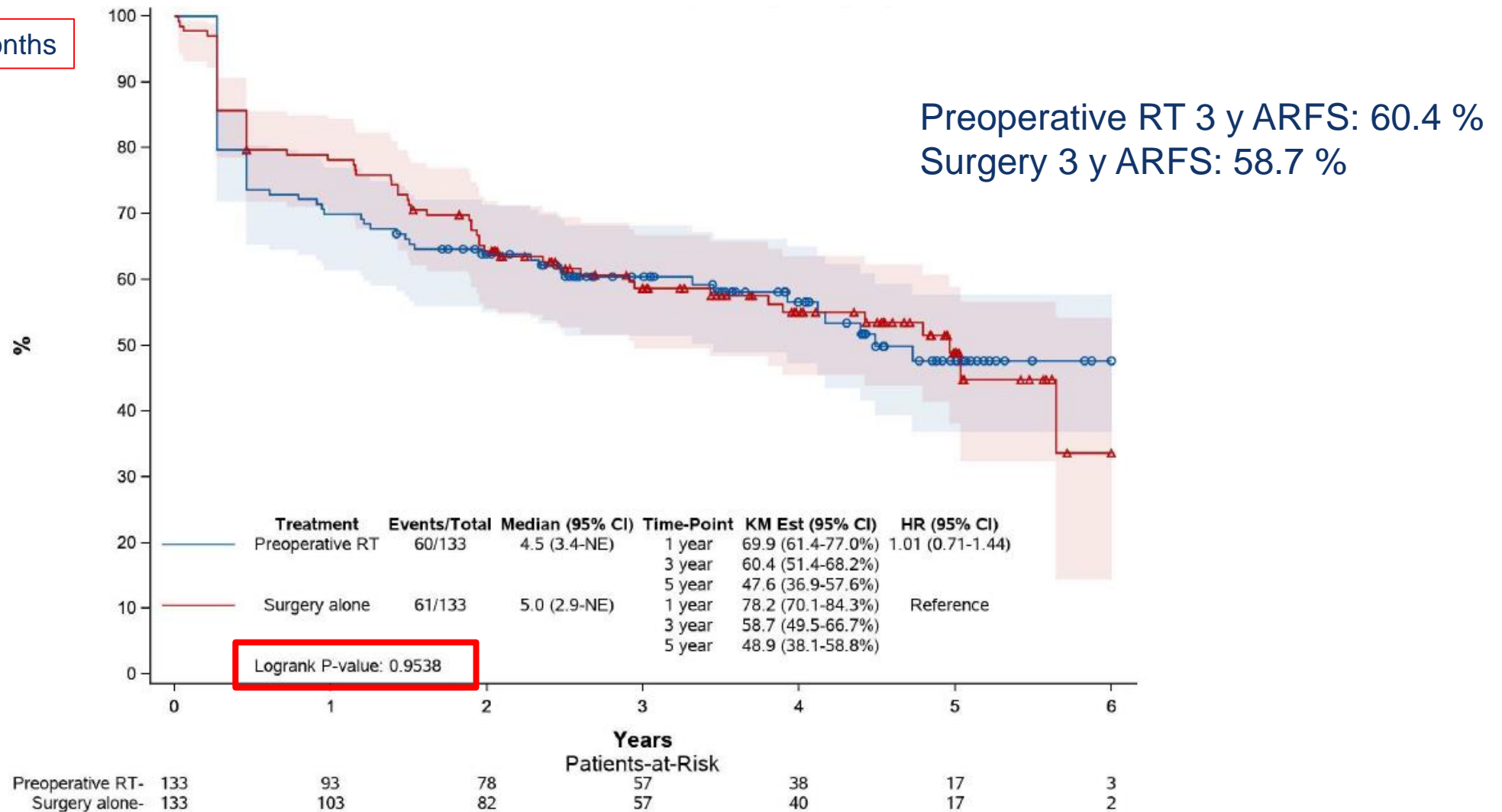
Patient Characteristics (January 2012 - April 2017)

	Surgery alone (N = 133)	Preoperative RT (N = 133)	Total (N = 266)
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Age: Median /Range	61 (26 - 81)	61 (24 - 83)	61 (24 - 83)
WHO performance status			
0/1	100 (75.2)/33 (24.8)	110 (82.7)/ 22 (16.5)	210 (78.9)/ 55 (20.7)
2	0 (0.0)	1 (0.8)	1 (0.4)
Tumor size (mm) Median	167	160	160
Histological subtype			
Well-differentiated liposarcoma	42 (31.6)	46 (34.6)	88 (33.1)
Dedifferentiated liposarcoma	54 (40.6)	51 (38.3)	105 (39.5)
Other liposarcoma	4 (3.0)	1 (0.8)	5 (1.9)
Leiomyosarcoma	22 (16.5)	16 (12.0)	38 (14.3)
Other	11 (8.3)	18 (13.5)	29 (10.9)
Missing	0 (0.0)	1 (0.8)	1 (0.4)
Grade			
Low	43 (32.3)	44 (33.1)	87 (32.7)
Intermediate	38 (28.6)	47 (35.3)	85 (32.0)
High	19 (14.3)	12 (9.0)	31 (11.7)
Not evaluable	21 (15.8)	17 (12.8)	38 (14.3)
Missing	12 (9.0)	13 (9.8)	25 (9.4)

75 %

Results: Primary Endpoint (ARFS)

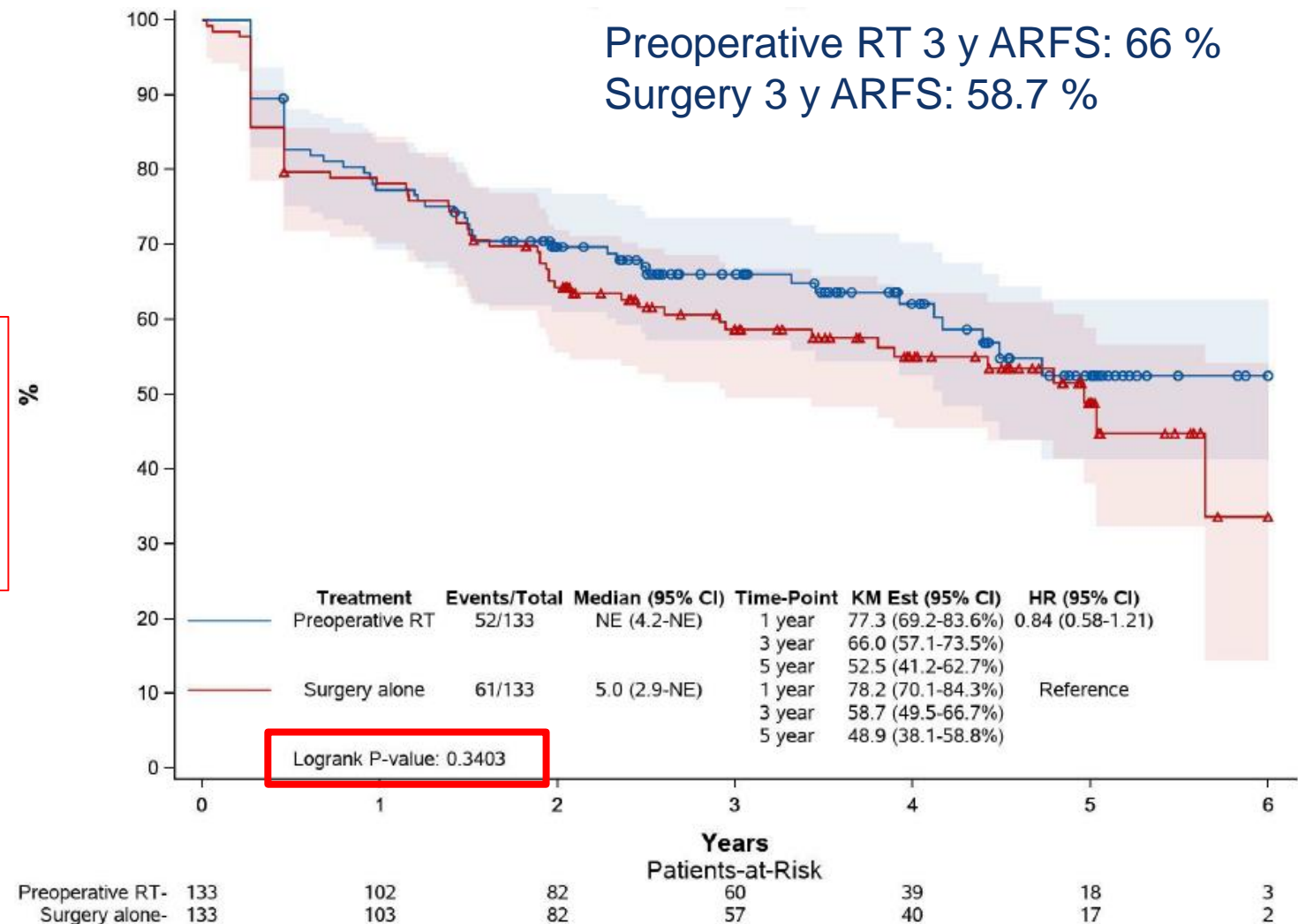
Median Follow-up 43 months



Results: IDMC sensitivity analysis (ARFS all population)

Median Follow-up 43 months

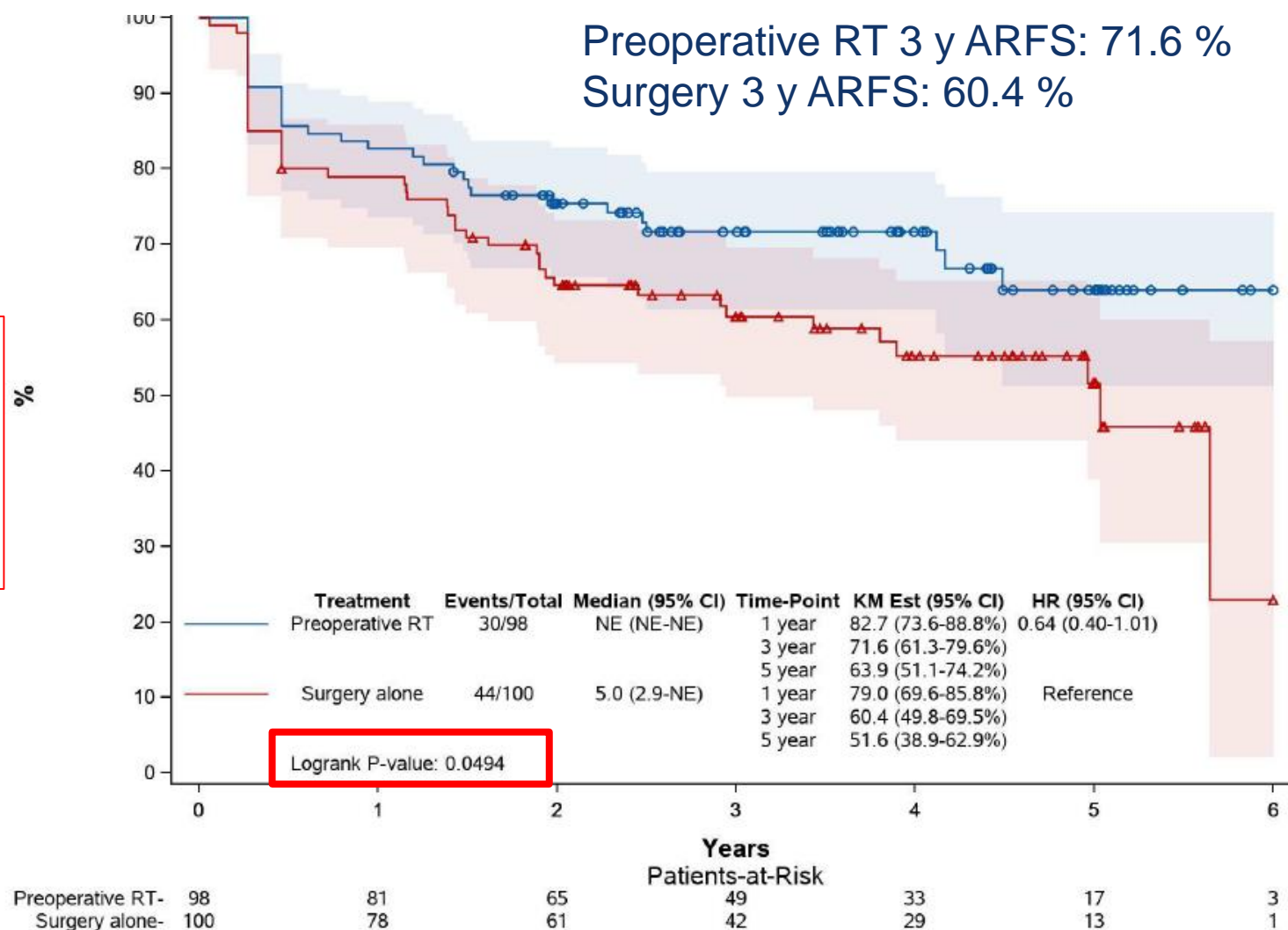
Local progression on RT is not regarded as a primary endpoint event for the patients who subsequently achieve a complete surgical resection



Results: IDMC sensitivity analysis (ARFS LPS subgroup)

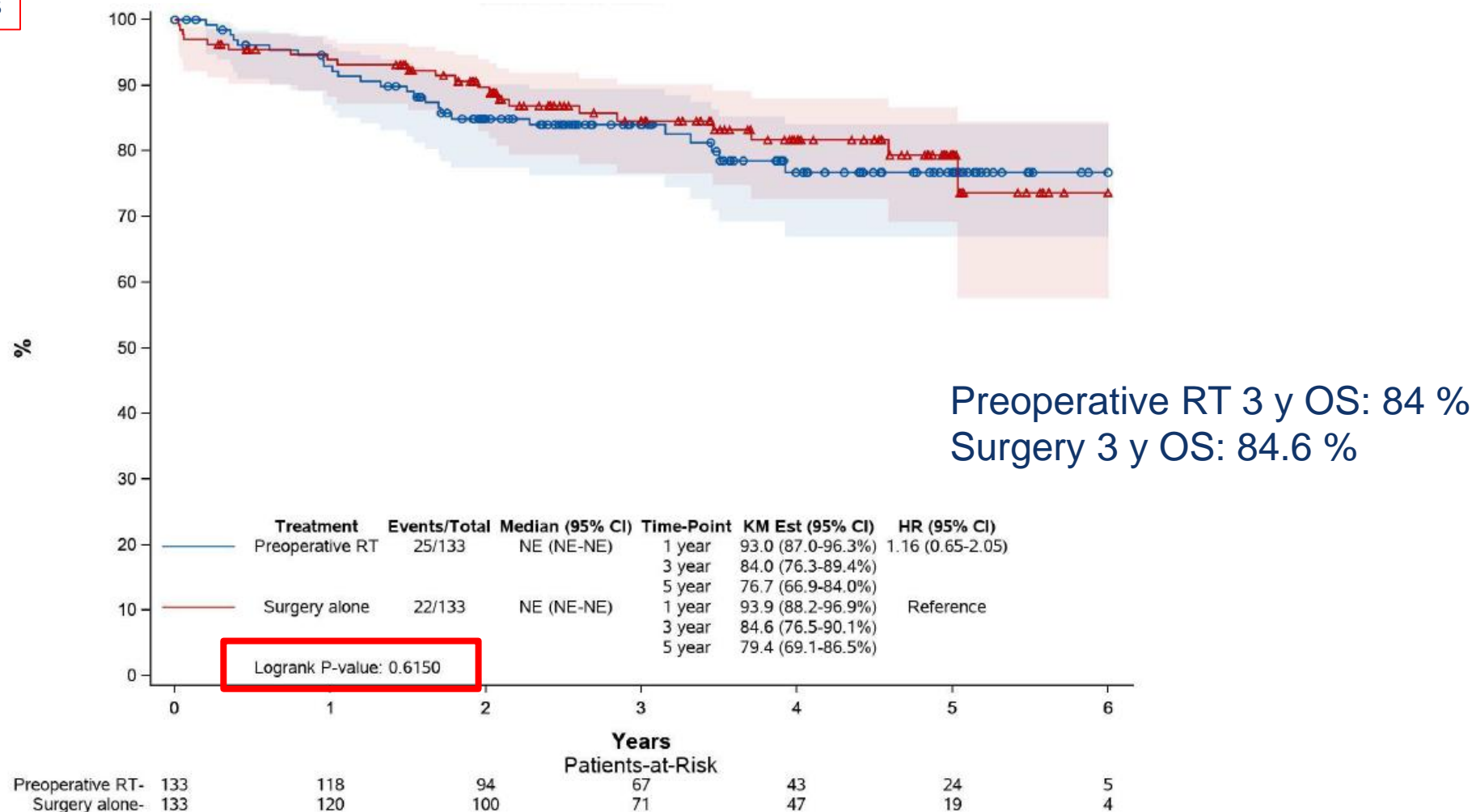
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Local progression on RT is not regarded as a primary endpoint event for the patients who subsequently achieve a complete surgical resection



Results: Secondary Endpoint (OS)

Median Follow-up 43 months



STRASS - Conclusions

- Academic randomized trial on a rare disease is feasible thanks to transatlantic collaboration
- The additional morbidity associated with preoperative RT (mostly IMRT) was acceptable
- No impact of RT on OS

Primary Endpoint: whole patient population

- With a median FU of 43 months, ARFS was similar in both groups

IDMC Sensitivity Analyses of ARFS

- ARFS was significantly better after RT in the LPS subgroup
- High grade sarcomas and LMS do not seem to benefit from preoperative RT

→ Further follow up needed

EORTC Soft Tissue & Bone Sarcoma Group (STBSG)



SOFT TISSUE & BONE

Screenshot of the EORTC Soft Tissue & Bone Sarcoma Group (STBSG) website. The browser address bar shows https://www.eortc.org/research_field/soft-tissue-bone/. The page title is "TUMOURS SOFT TISSUE & BONE". The navigation menu includes: News, Clinical Trials, Achievements, Projects, **People**, and Publications.

The "People" section displays four team members:

- CHAIR**
— **Hans Gelderblom**
Leiden University Medical Centre
Leiden, Netherlands
- CHAIR-ELECT**
— **Bernd Kasper**
Mannheim University Medical Center
Mannheim, Germany
- SECRETARY**
— **Winan van Houdt**
The Royal Marsden Hospital
London, United Kingdom
- TREASURER**
— **[Name obscured]**

The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the following open applications: SPAEN, 2019 SCO&TCH..., Posteingang - P..., Kasper, Bernd - ..., Logout - Deuts..., Amazon.de - Be..., Soft tissue & bo..., SAP Logon 750, KASPER: Einstie..., Vortrag-Kasper..., and the system clock shows 09:17.

EORTC-STBSG Study **1809 (STRASS 2)**

A randomized phase III study of neoadjuvant chemotherapy followed by surgery *versus* surgery alone for patients with High Risk RetroPeritoneal Sarcoma

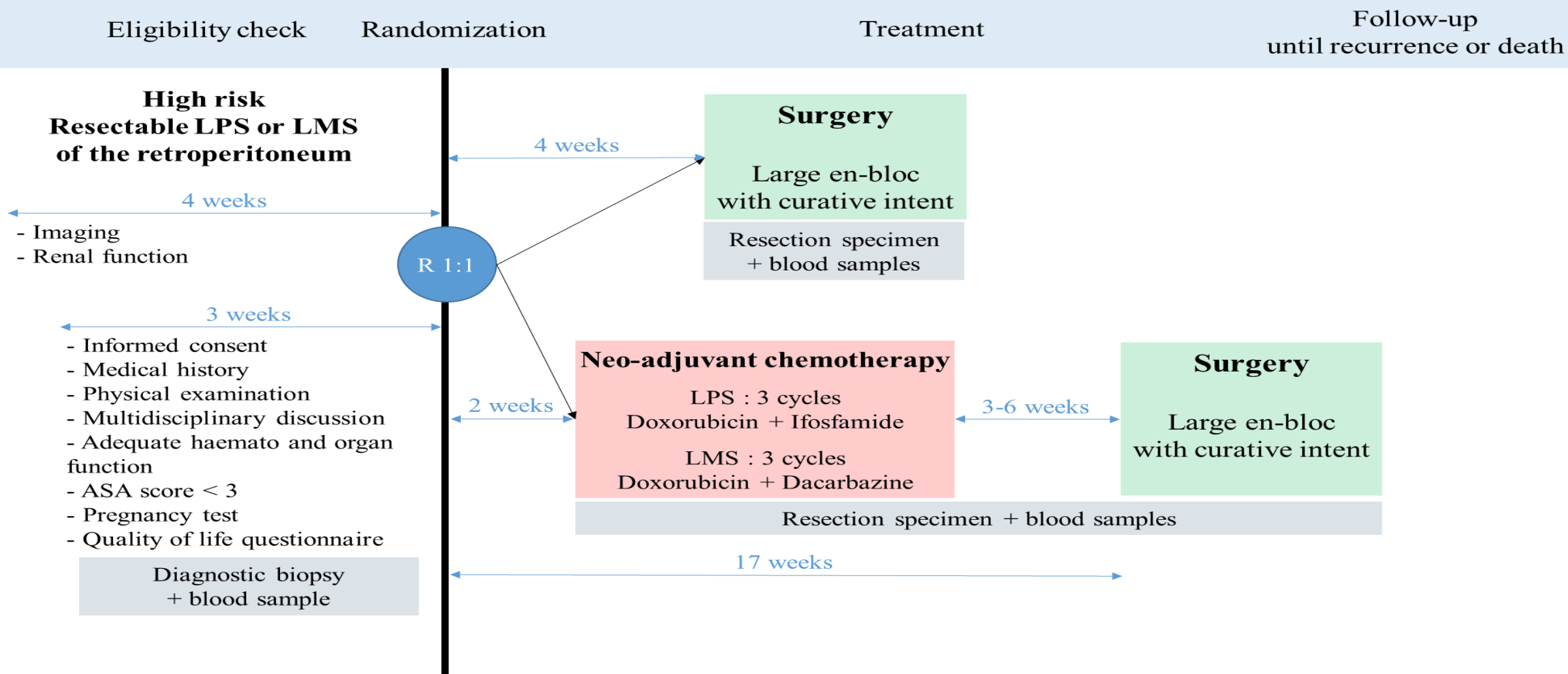
Study coordinator: **Alessandro Gronchi**

Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori, Milano, Italy

Study co-coordinator: **Winan van Houdt**

The Netherlands Cancer Institute-Antoni Van Leeuwenhoekziekenhuis, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Study design



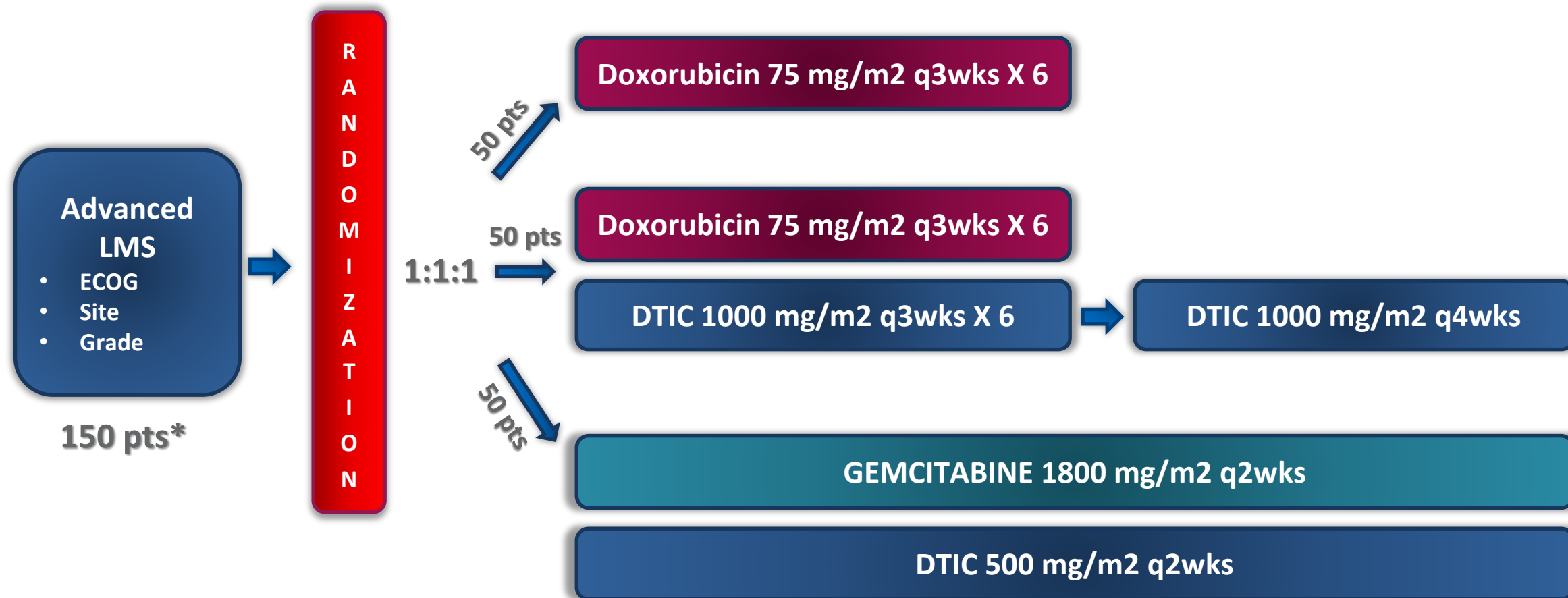
EORTC-STBSG

Study 1983 - DODECANESO

An open label, randomized, phase II study on
DOxorubicin, Doxorubicin plus **D**acarbazin**E**, or
Gem**C**it**A**bine plus Dacarbazi**NE** for the first-line
treatment of advanced leiomyo**SarcO**ma

Study coordinators:
Lorenzo D'Ambrosio
Nadia Hindi
Bernd Kasper

Study design

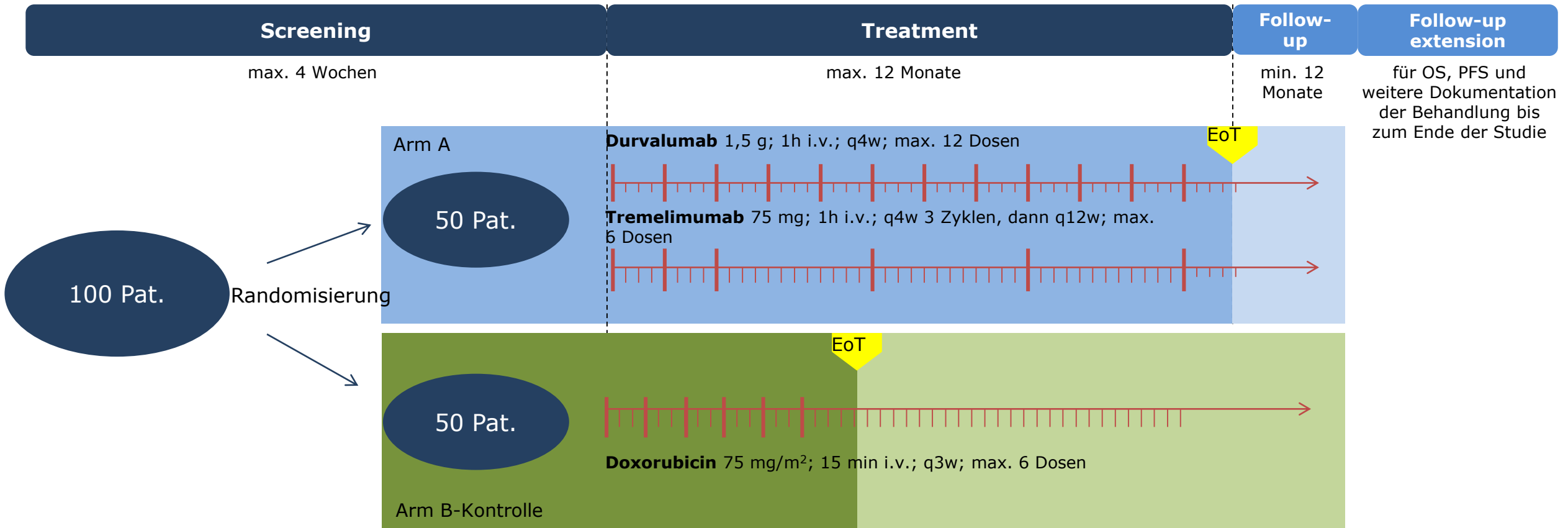


*at least 30 % (15 pts) in each arm should be uLMS
The probability of selecting the better arm will be 0.772

ASCO 2019 - Sarcoma - Trials in Progress (*TPS*)

- Phase I/II clinical trial of NY-ESO-1-specific TCR-engineered T-cell transfer combined with a novel T-cell stimulator CHP:NE1 for patients with refractory soft tissue sarcoma (*TPS11074*)
- **A randomized phase II study of durvalumab and tremelimumab compared to doxorubicin in patients with advanced or metastatic soft tissue sarcoma (MEDISARC, AIO-STS 0415) (*TPS11075*)**
- MDM2 inhibitor AMG-232 and radiation therapy in treating patients with soft tissue sarcoma with wild-type TP53: A phase IB study (NRG-DT001) (*TPS11076*)
- CBT-1 in combination with doxorubicin in patients with metastatic, unresectable sarcomas who previously progressed on doxorubicin (*TPS11077*)
- Benefit of intensified perioperative chemotherapy within high-risk CINSARC patients with resectable soft tissue sarcomas (CIRSARC) (*TPS11078*)
- A phase II study of ADI-PEG 20 in combination with gemcitabine and docetaxel for the treatment of soft tissue sarcoma (*TPS11079*)

MEDISARC - Studiendesign



EoT= "End of Treatment"

GISG Study Portfolio (2)



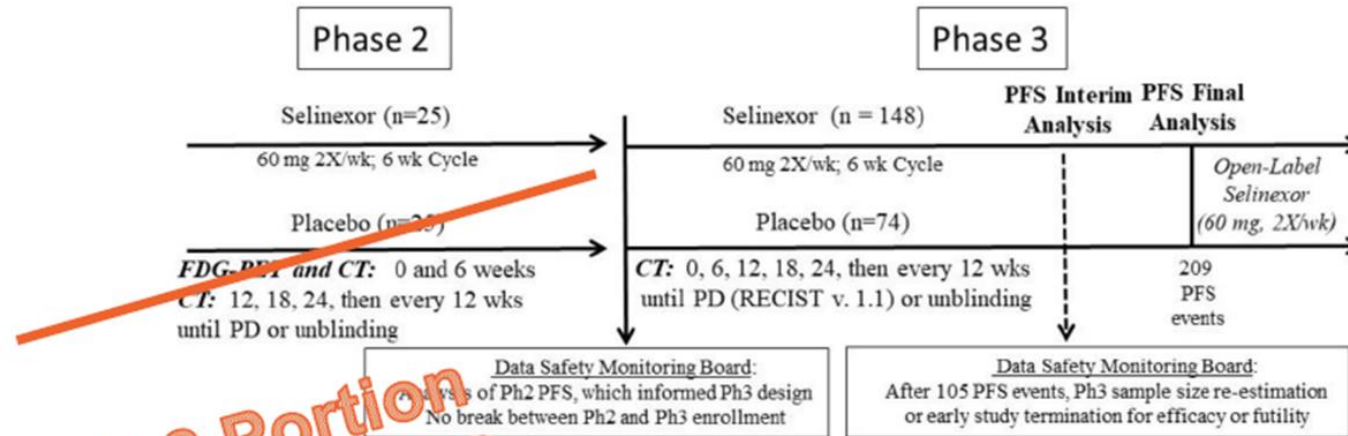
- **GISG-10:** Trabectedin combined with regional hyperthermia as 2nd line treatment for advanced STS (**Hyper-TET**, Issels / Lindner)
- **GISG-11:** QoL in patients with STS undergoing palliative chemotherapy or treatment with Pazopanib (**PazoQoL**, Schuler)
- **GISG-12:** Patient directed intervention towards a multidimensional recommendation guideline to improve the QoL for STS patients under palliative treatment with Trabectedin (**YonLife**, Schuler)
- **GISG-13:** 1st line Trabectedin in elderly “unsuited” patients incl. geriatric assessment (**E-TRAB**, Kasper)
- **GISG-14:** Data collection of STS patients treated with Trabectedin (**ReTraSarc**, Pink / Reichardt)
- **GISG-15:** Immunotherapy with **Nivolumab plus Trabectedin** in advanced STS (**NiTraSarc**, Pink)
- **GISG-16:** Trabectedin plus Olaparib in solid tumors harboring DNA repair deficiencies (**Top-Art**, Fröhling)



Evidence for Immunotherapy in Soft Tissue Sarcomas

REGIMEN	n	mPFS [months]	3m-PFS	6m-PFS	ORR (RECIST)	INCLUDED SUBTYPES	RESPONDING SUBTYPES	REF
Pembrolizumab (SARC028)	42 (STS)	4.2	55 %	NA	18 %	4 (UPS, LPS, LMS, SS)	UPS, LPS, SS	Tawbi
Nivolumab	43	1.7	~35 %	15 %	5 %	> 10 (ASPS-1pt, UPS, LMS, LPS, ES, SS, MPNST, ...)	ASPS, LMS	D'Angelo
Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	42	4.1	~60 %	28 %	16 %	> 10 (ASPS-1pt, UPS, LMS, LPS, ES, SS, MPNST, ...)	LMS, UPS, Myxofibro, Angio	D'Angelo
Axitinib + Pembrolizumab	33	4.7	70 %	50 % (38 %)	25 % (55 %)	Several (ASPS 36 %)	ASPS, LMS, ES	Wilky
Sunitinib	50	1.8	39 %	22 %	2 %	Several (LMS 23 %, SS 8 %, ...)	DSRCT	George
Sunitinib + Nivolumab (Phase II)	50	5.9	69 %	50 %	11 %	Several (SS 18 %, ASPS 6 %)	ASPS, Angio, EMC, SS	Martin-Broto

SEAL Study: Selinexor for Liposarcomas

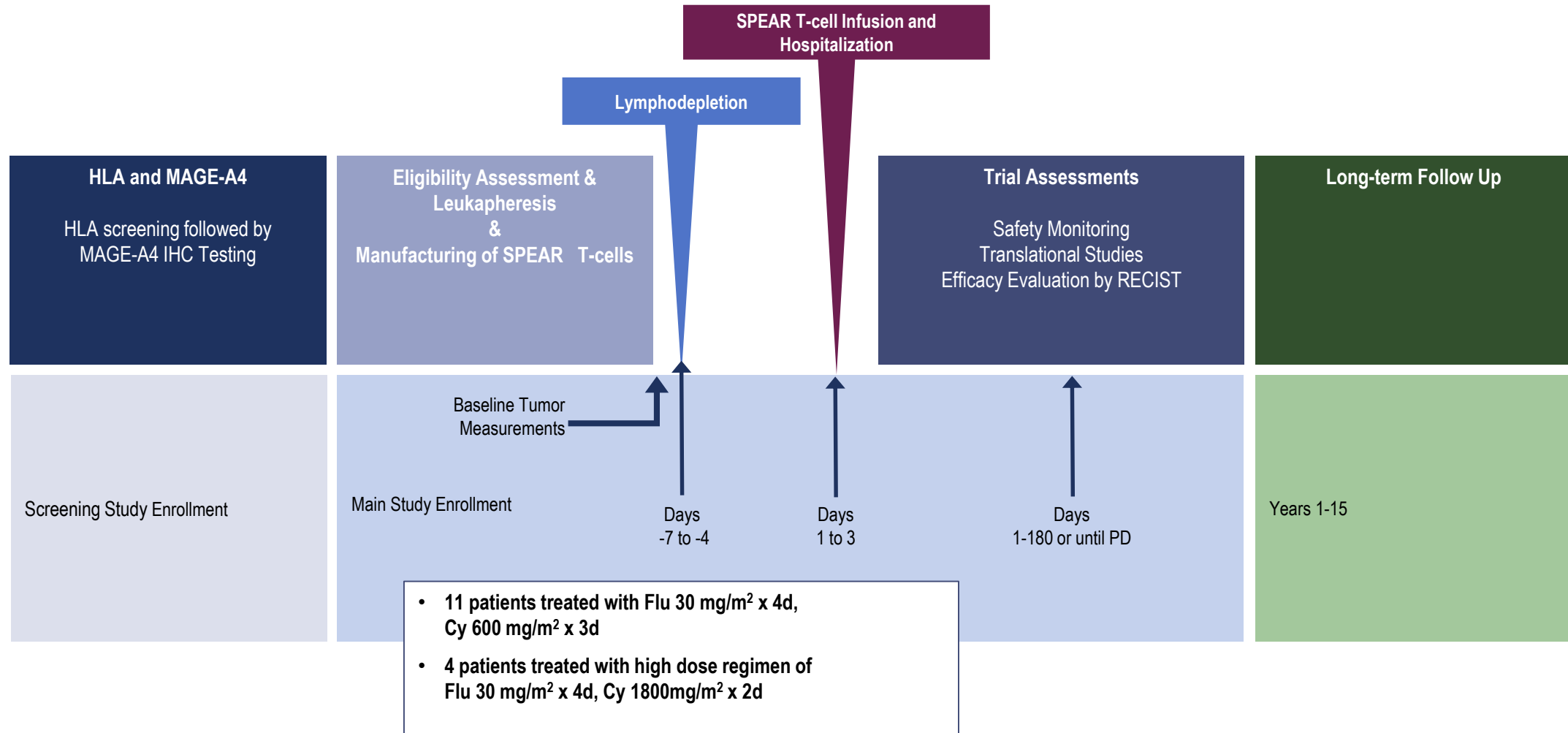


PH 2 Portion COMPLETED

- Phase 2**
- 1:1 randomized/blinded (planned: n=50: 25 pbo, 25 selinexor; actual: n=57). As of 11 August 2017: 25 pbo, 24 selinexor, 7 still blinded.
 - Stratified by prior eribulin vs no prior eribulin and number of prior systemic therapies (1 vs ≥ 2)
 - Primary efficacy endpoint: PFS by RECIST v. 1.1
 - Key secondary efficacy endpoints
 - TTP
 - ORR/DOR
 - Tumor glucose metabolism, density and size
 - Patients who have PD (per Who Response Criteria under protocol versions ≤ 3 or per RECIST v. 1.1 under protocol versions ≥ 4) determined by the central reader will be unblinded: 1) if in the placebo arm may cross over to open-label selinexor; 2) if in the selinexor arm and the patient may derive benefit from continued treatment, the patient may elect to continue selinexor but as open-label treatment

- Phase 3**
- 2:1 randomized/blinded (n=222: 74 pbo, 148 selinexor)
 - Stratified by prior eribulin vs no prior eribulin, prior trabectedin vs no prior trabectedin, and number of prior systemic therapies (2 vs ≥ 3)
 - Interim analysis after 105 PFS events for possible sample size re-estimation
 - Primary efficacy endpoint: PFS by RECIST v. 1.1
 - Key secondary endpoints
 - OS for non-inferiority
 - OS for superiority
 - TTP
 - Patients who have PD per RECIST v. 1.1 determined by the central reader will be unblinded; if in the placebo arm may cross over to open-label selinexor; 2) if in the selinexor arm and the patient may derive benefit from continued treatment, the patient may elect to continue selinexor but as open-label treatment
 - Patients receiving blinded study treatment when all patients are unblinded at the primary PFS analysis at the end of Phase 3 may receive open-label selinexor until PD

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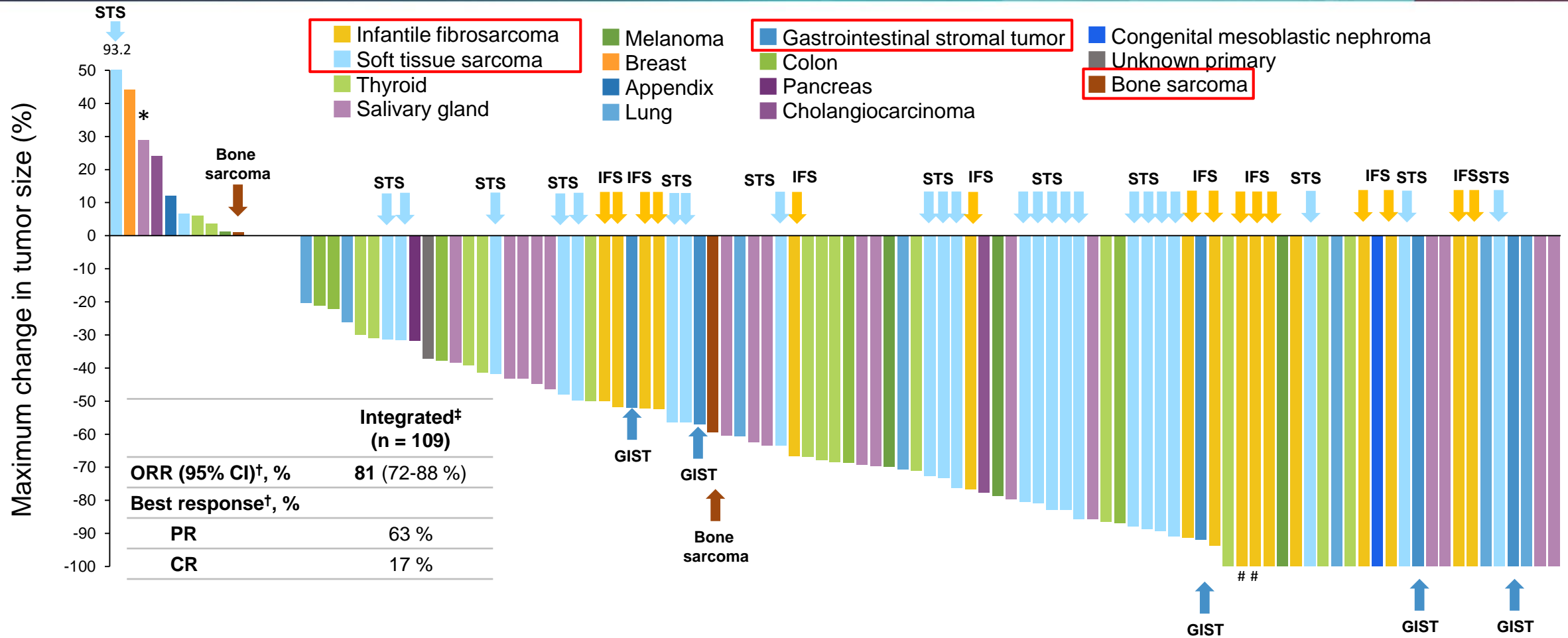
- Clinical activity and safety of **ADP-A2M4 SPEAR** (Specific Peptide Enhanced Affinitor Receptor) **T-cells** directed towards MAGE-A4⁺ peptide in a Phase I, first-in-human T-cell dose escalation study in the subset of patients with **synovial sarcoma**
- **15** pts with synovial sarcoma were treated (6 female; median age 49 years, range 31-76)
- **Procedure:** Following apheresis T-cells are isolated, transduced, expanded and re-infused
- **AEs:** leukopenia, lymphopenia, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, anemia, cytokine release syndrome, fatigue, pyrexia, nausea, and diarrhea
 - 1 fatal **aplastic anemia** (elderly patient + high dose conditioning regimen!)
- RECIST v1.1 **responses:**
 - 7 PR
 - 6 SD
 - 1 PD

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bullet 7 \text{ PR} \\ \bullet 6 \text{ SD} \\ \bullet 1 \text{ PD} \end{array} \right\} \text{ORR} = 7/14 = 50 \%$$

SPEARHEAD-1: ADP-A2M4 SPEAR T-cell therapy

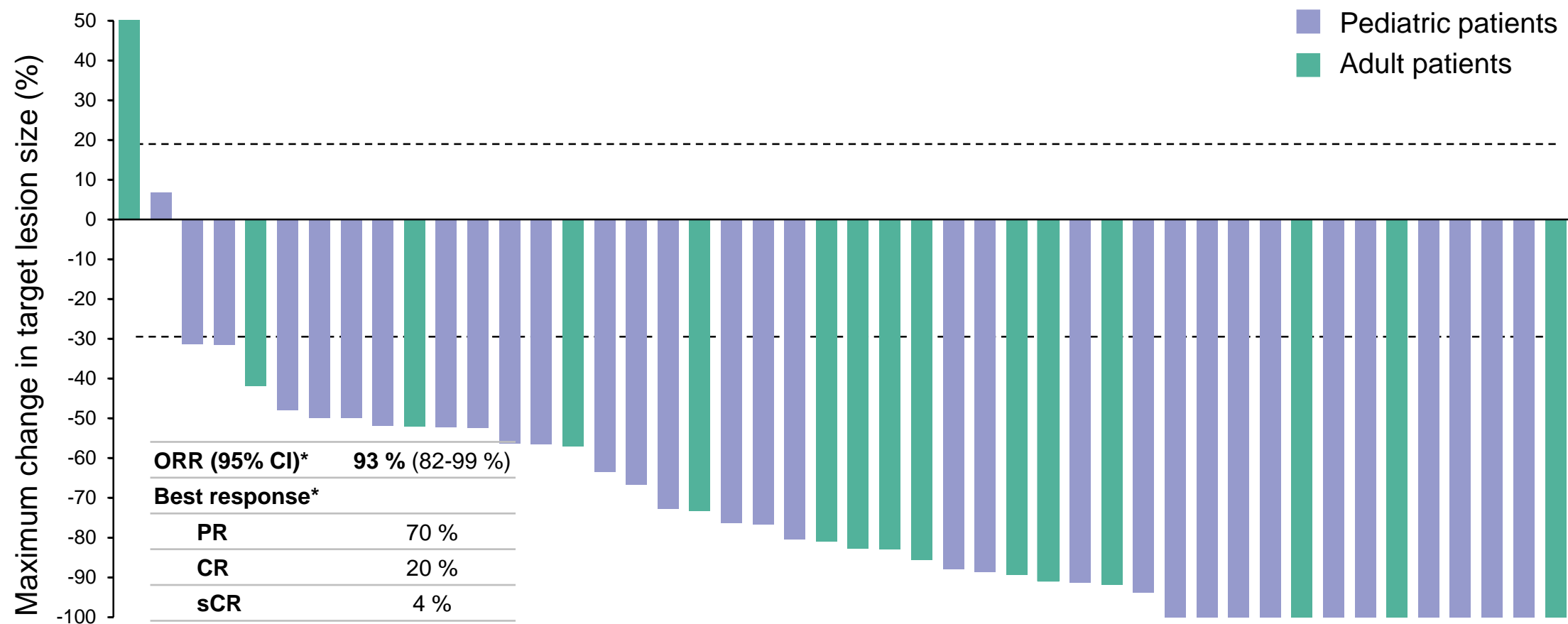
- **ADP-A2M4 SPEAR T-cell therapy** induced RECIST responses in 50 % of pts and disease control in almost all (13/14) pts with **synovial sarcoma**.
 - This complex therapeutic model works: transduced T-cells expand and are functional.
 - Duration of responses? Feasibility in daily practice? Costs? Hospitalization!
 - A focus should be set on severe and possible long-term side effects of this rather complex treatment strategy.
- **SPEARHEAD-1 (Phase II) in synovial sarcoma and MRCLS is currently enrolling.**

Larotrectinib has shown efficacy across tumor types, including sarcomas and GIST



Investigator response assessments, as of July 30, 2018. Note: Two patients are not shown here; these patients discontinued treatment prior to any post-baseline tumor measurements. *Patient had TRKC solvent front resistance mutation (G623R) at baseline due to prior therapy; [†]RECIST v1.1; [‡]Includes 9 unconfirmed PRs pending confirmation; does not include 13 patients continuing on study and awaiting initial response assessment; [#]Surgical CR. CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; GIST, gastrointestinal stromal tumor; IFS, infantile fibrosarcoma; ORR, objective response rate; PR, partial response; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; STS, soft-tissue sarcoma. Lassen UN, et al. ESMO 2018. Abstract 4090.

Efficacy of larotrectinib in patients with *TRK* fusion sarcoma

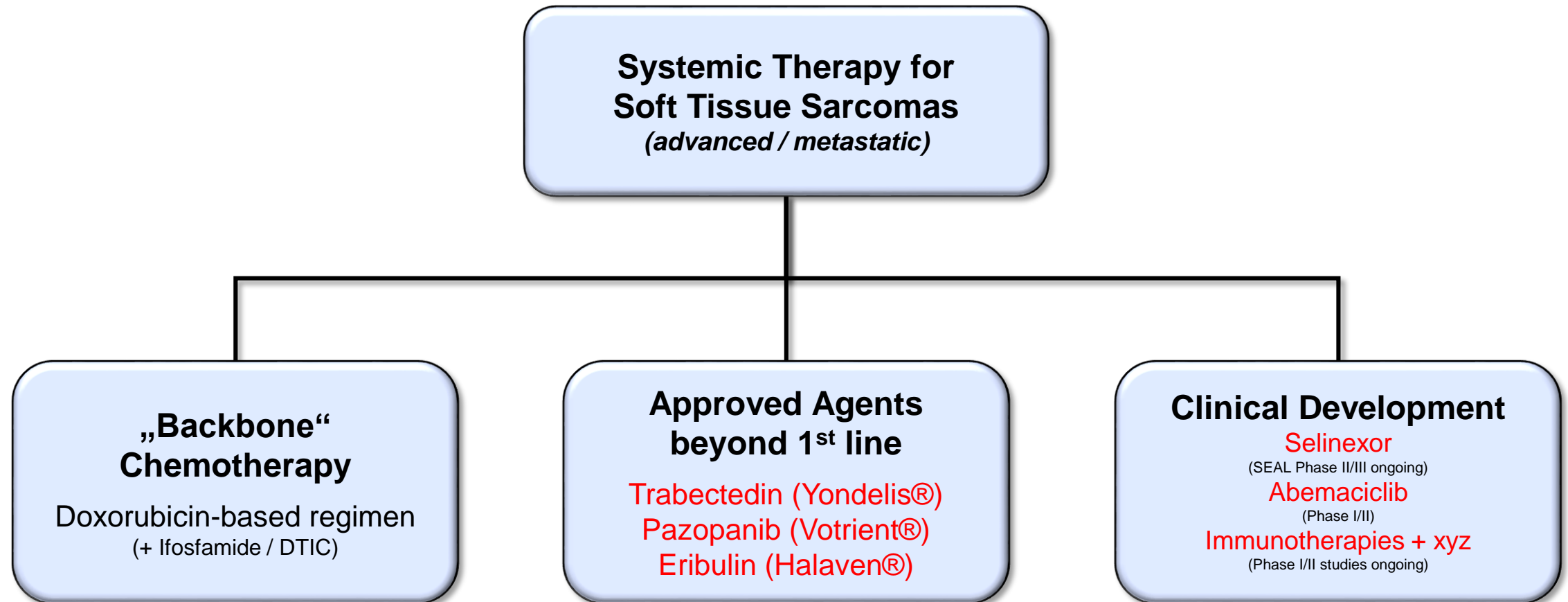


Investigator response as of July 30, 2018.
*n = 46 patients; includes 3 unconfirmed PRs pending confirmation; does not include 5 patients continuing on study and awaiting initial response assessment. Age <21 years.
CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; ORR, objective response; PR, partial response; sCR, surgical complete response.
Federman N, et al. CTOS 2018.



Sarcoma of The Year 2020: „NTRK fusion positive adult sarcomas“

Take-Home-Messages I



Take-Home-Messages II

- A Doxorubicin-based chemotherapy remains the “backbone” in 1st line treatment for advanced / metastatic STS patients.
- ANNOUNCE did not confirm the benefit for Olaratumab seen in the phase 2 study.
- Approved drugs for 2nd line+ are Trabectedin, Pazopanib and Eribulin.
- An Anthracycline plus Ifosfamide remains the standard of care regimen if (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy is applied for localized high-risk STS patients (ISG 1001).
- The addition of a preoperative chemotherapy to surgery in retroperitoneal STS did not result in a significant survival benefit, only for liposarcomas (EORTC STRASS).
- There are numerous new compounds and treatment strategies such as Immunotherapy, NTRK, T-cell therapy, ...

Discussion & Questions

