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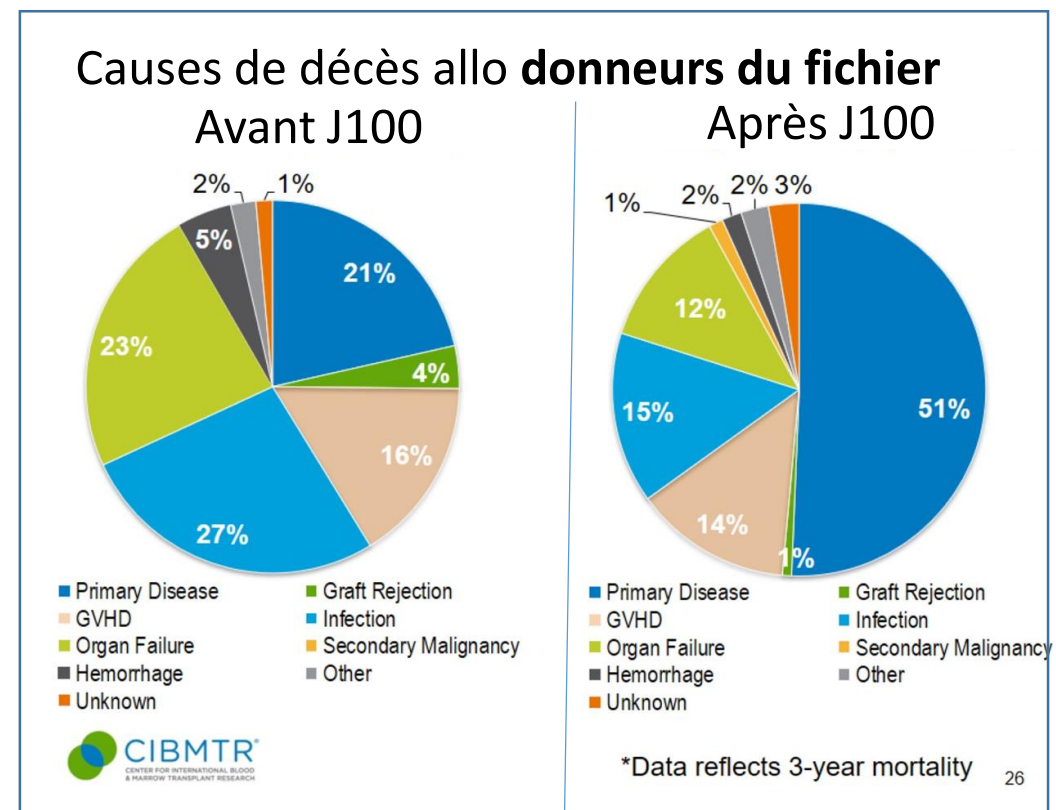
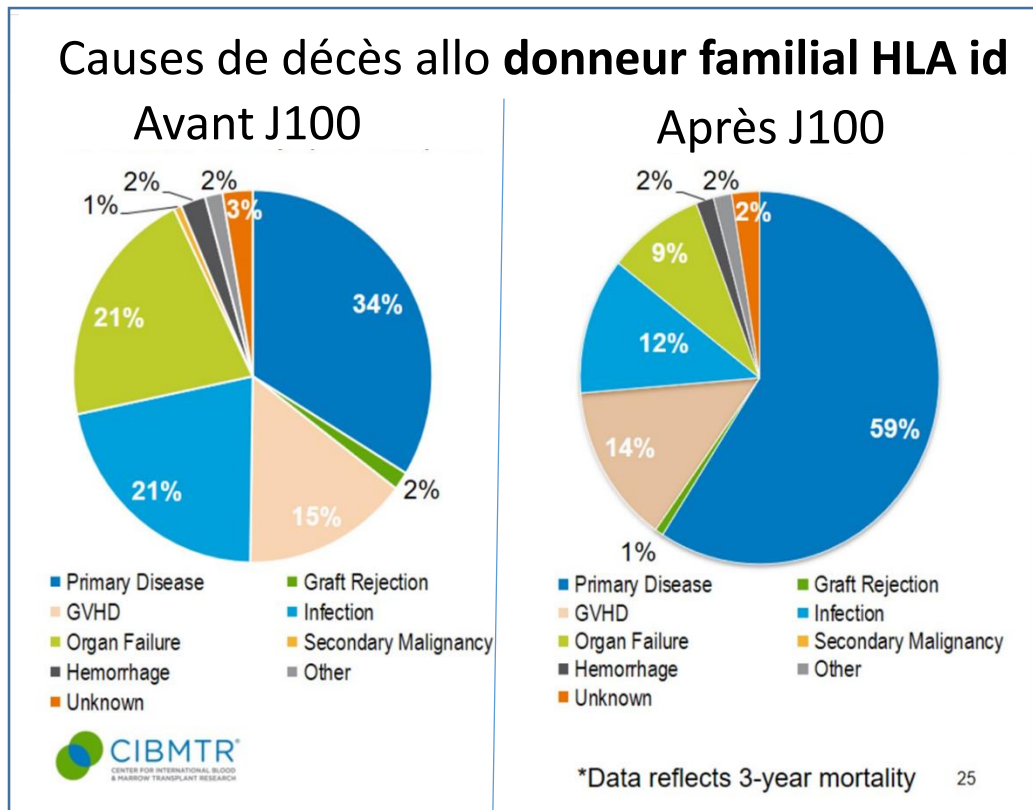
# GVH Actualités

## Aspects thérapeutiques

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# Causes de décès post allogreffe

CIBMTR 2016-2017



Rechute de l'hémopathie  
cause principale >50% des  
décès

Infections  
15-30% décès



GVH (graft vs  
Host)  
15% causes de  
décès



Défaillance d'organe  
10-20% des décès

# Guidelines prévention de la GVH Donneur HLA id

1- Association inh calcineurine (Tacro ou ciclo)+ anti-métabolites

2- SAL recommandé pour:

MUD= Donneurs du fichier 10/10

MRD= apparentés HLA id + CSP

Greffes à haut risque de GVH

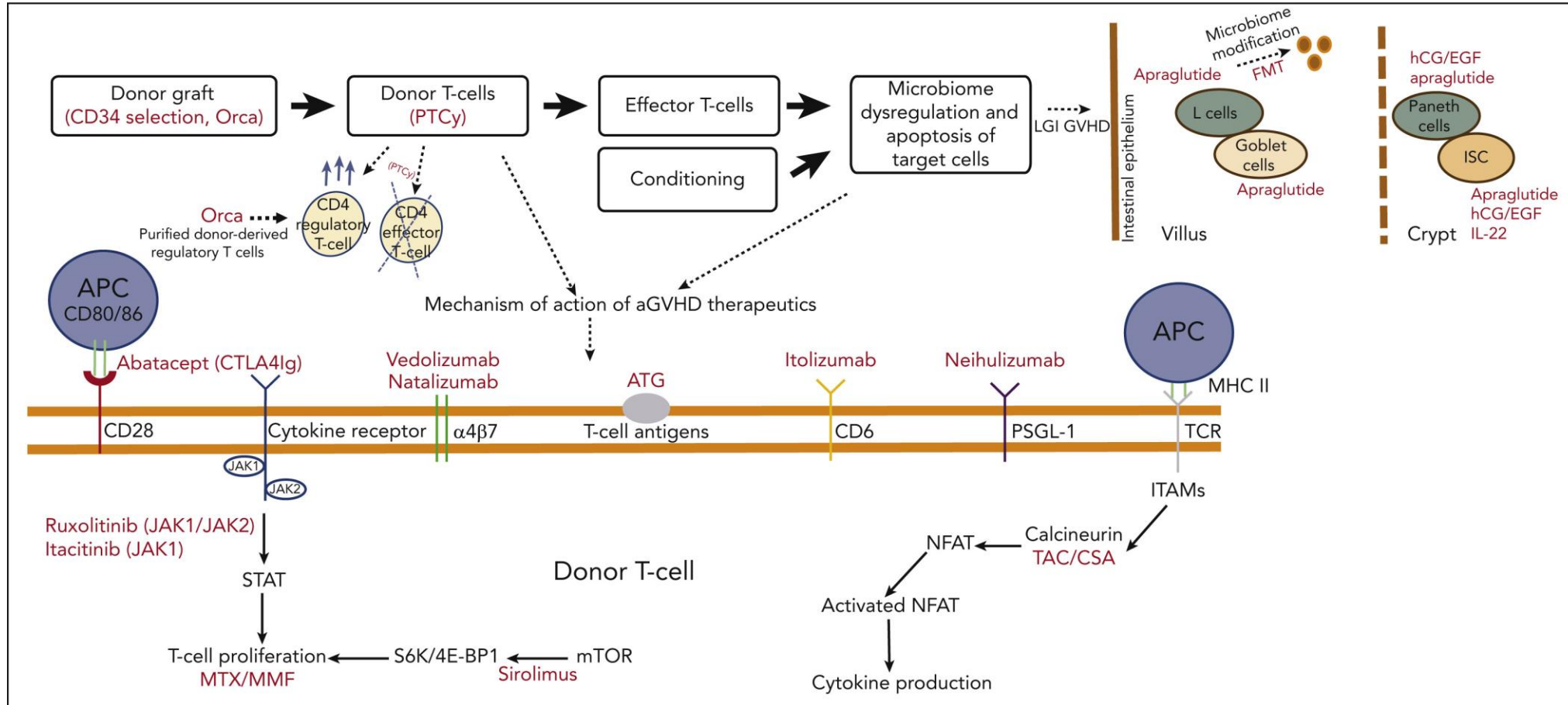
MAC

MTX

RIC

Cellcept

# Novel developments in the prophylaxis and treatment of acute GVHD

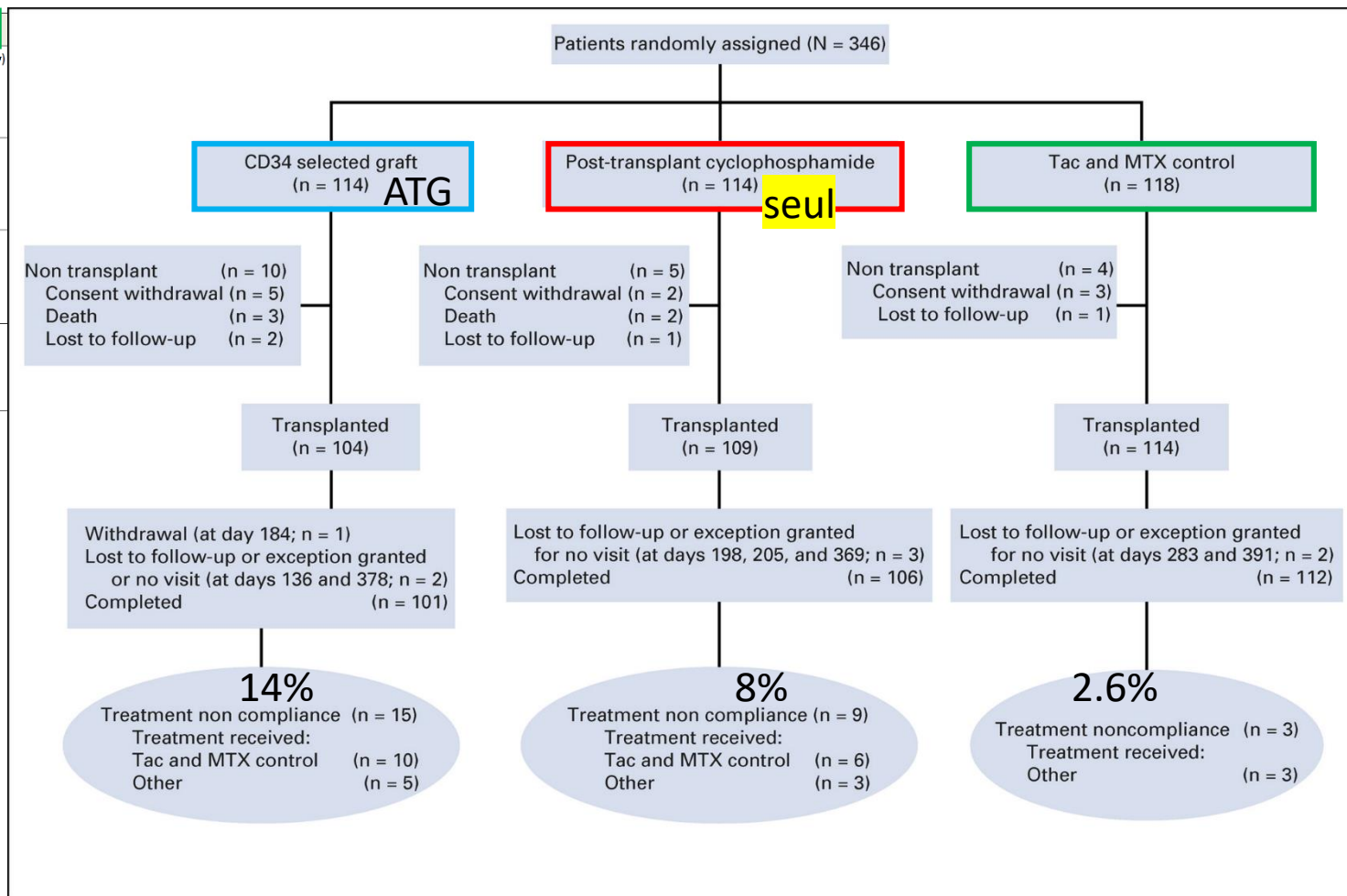


Intérêt du Cyclophosphamide à fortes doses post  
transplant (Cy-PT) en prévention de la GVH dans  
les greffes matchées?

# Phase III Randomisée: Prophylaxie GVH par CyPT vs CD34+/ATG vs Tacro-MTX dans les greffes HLA matchées avec MAC hémopathies malignes

**MAC**

CD34 Selection Arm (PBSC)		Post-Transplant Cy Arm (BM)	Control Arm (BM)
<b>A</b>	<b>Total Body Irradiation (TBI)/ Cyclophosphamide/Thiotepa/rATG</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TBI (1375 cGy)</li> <li>Cyclophosphamide (120 mg/kg)</li> <li>Thiotepa (10 mg/kg)</li> <li>rATG (5mg/kg)</li> </ul>	<b>C</b> <b>Busulfan/Cyclophosphamide (Bu/Cy)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Busulfan (16 mg/kg PO or 12.8 mg/kg IV)</li> <li>Cyclophosphamide (100 mg/kg)</li> </ul>	<b>G</b> <b>Busulfan/Cyclophosphamide (Bu/Cy)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Busulfan (16 mg/kg PO or 12.8 mg/kg IV)</li> <li>Cyclophosphamide (120 mg/kg)</li> </ul>
<b>B</b>	<b>Busulfan<sup>a</sup>/Melphalan/Fludarabine/rATG</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Busulfan (9.6 mg/kg IV)</li> <li>Fludarabine (125 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)</li> <li>Melphalan (140 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)</li> <li>rATG (5mg/kg)</li> </ul>	<b>D</b> <b>Busulfan<sup>a</sup>/Fludarabine (Bu/Flu)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Busulfan (16 mg/kg PO or 12.8 mg/kg IV)</li> <li>Fludarabine (160 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)</li> </ul>	<b>H</b> <b>Busulfan<sup>a</sup>/Fludarabine (Bu/Flu)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Busulfan (16 mg/kg PO or 12.8 mg/kg IV)</li> <li>Fludarabine (160 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)</li> </ul>
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Age 51 ans (13-66)

26 centres US+Allemagne

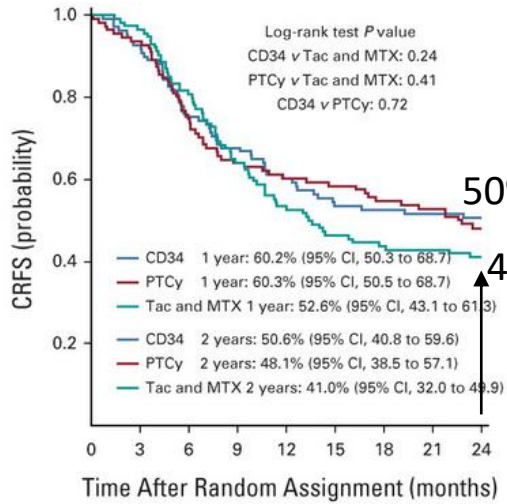
61.3% LAM , 20-25% LAL, 33.2% high DRI

**62% MUD** 8/8, 38% MRD, and the median time from diagnosis to HCT was 5 months

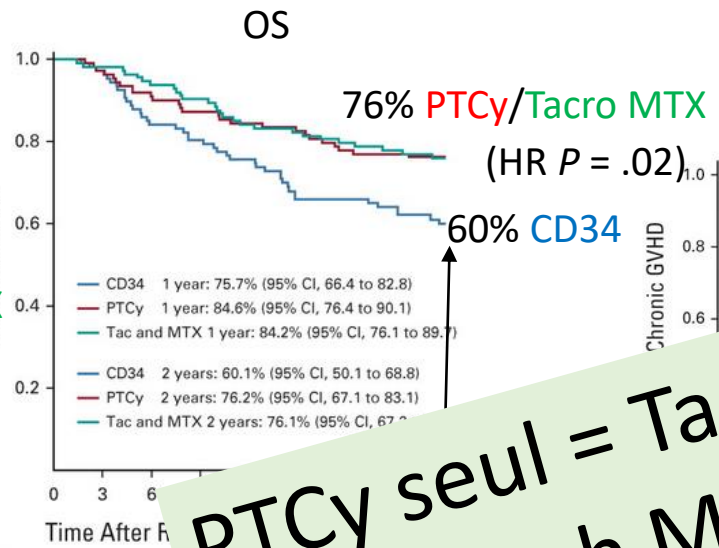
**90% MO** dans les groups HDCy et Tacro MTX



**A** CRFS=GVHc mod sev rel free survival **B**

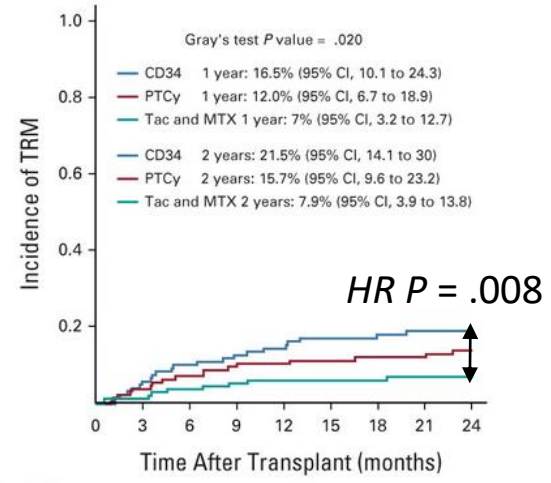


50% CD34/PTCy  
 40% Tacro MTX  
 P = .41

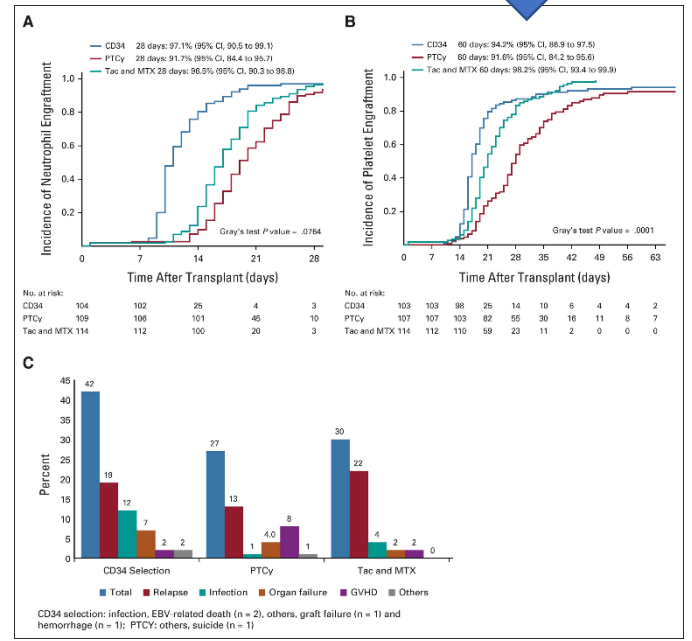
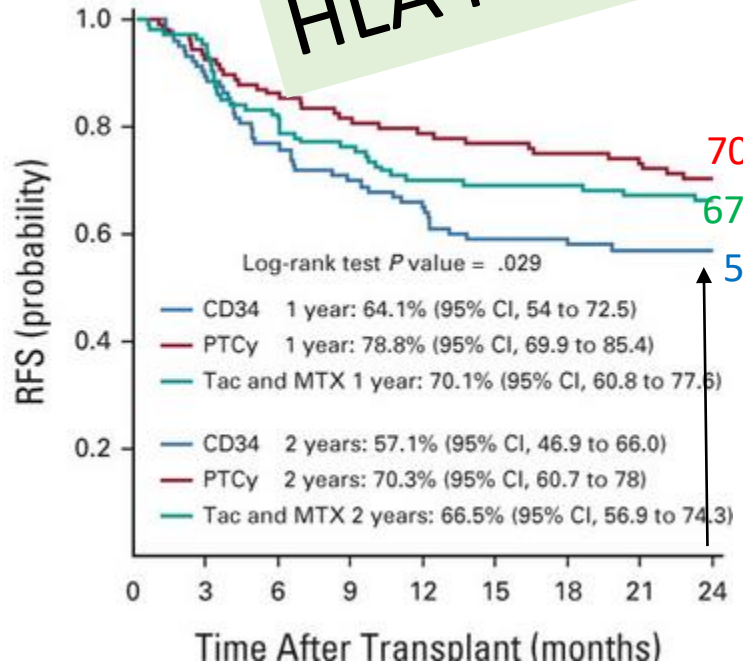
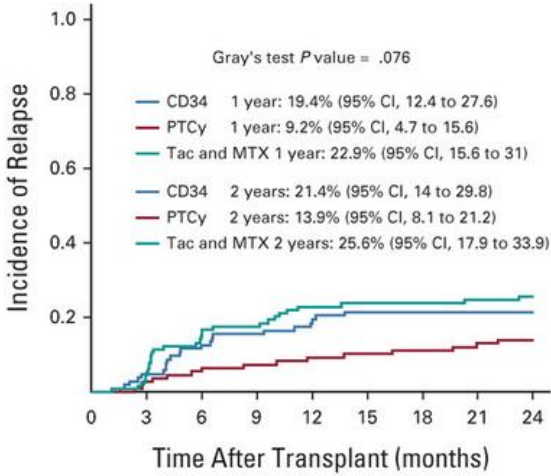


Peu de GVHc mod sev avec CD34

TRM élevée CD34 (infections)



**PTCy seul = Tacro MTX  
 HLA match MAC+BM**





# Post-Transplantation Cyclophosphamide-Based Graft-versus-Host Disease Prophylaxis vs Tacro MTX greffes matchées (BMT-CTN) Phase 3 rando

50% LAM 30% MDS 9% LAL

67% URD 8/8

30% MRD 8/8

3% MMUD 7/8

**RIC**

Fluda + Bu, MEL, TBI2Gy, CPM

Greffon de **CSP**

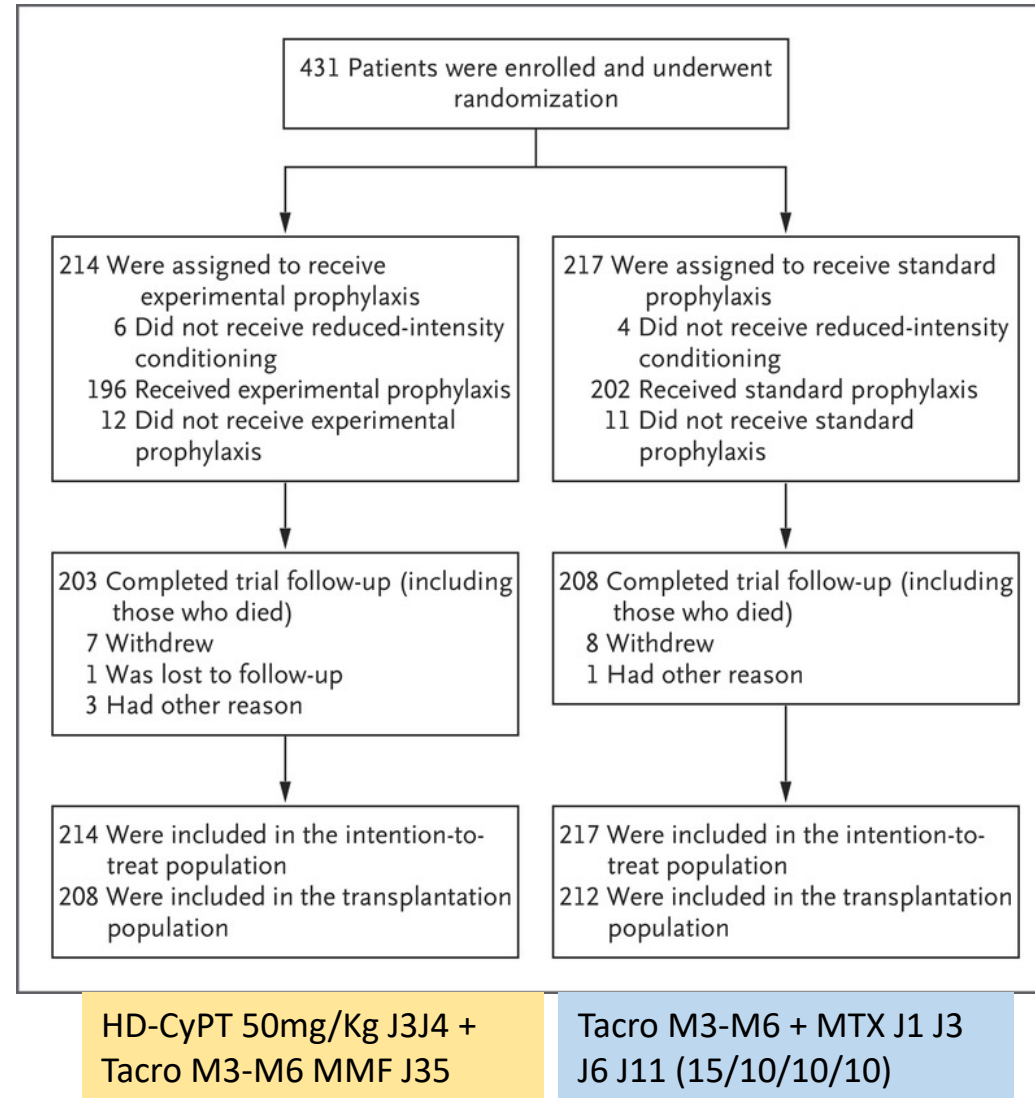
Objectif primaire GRFS 1 an

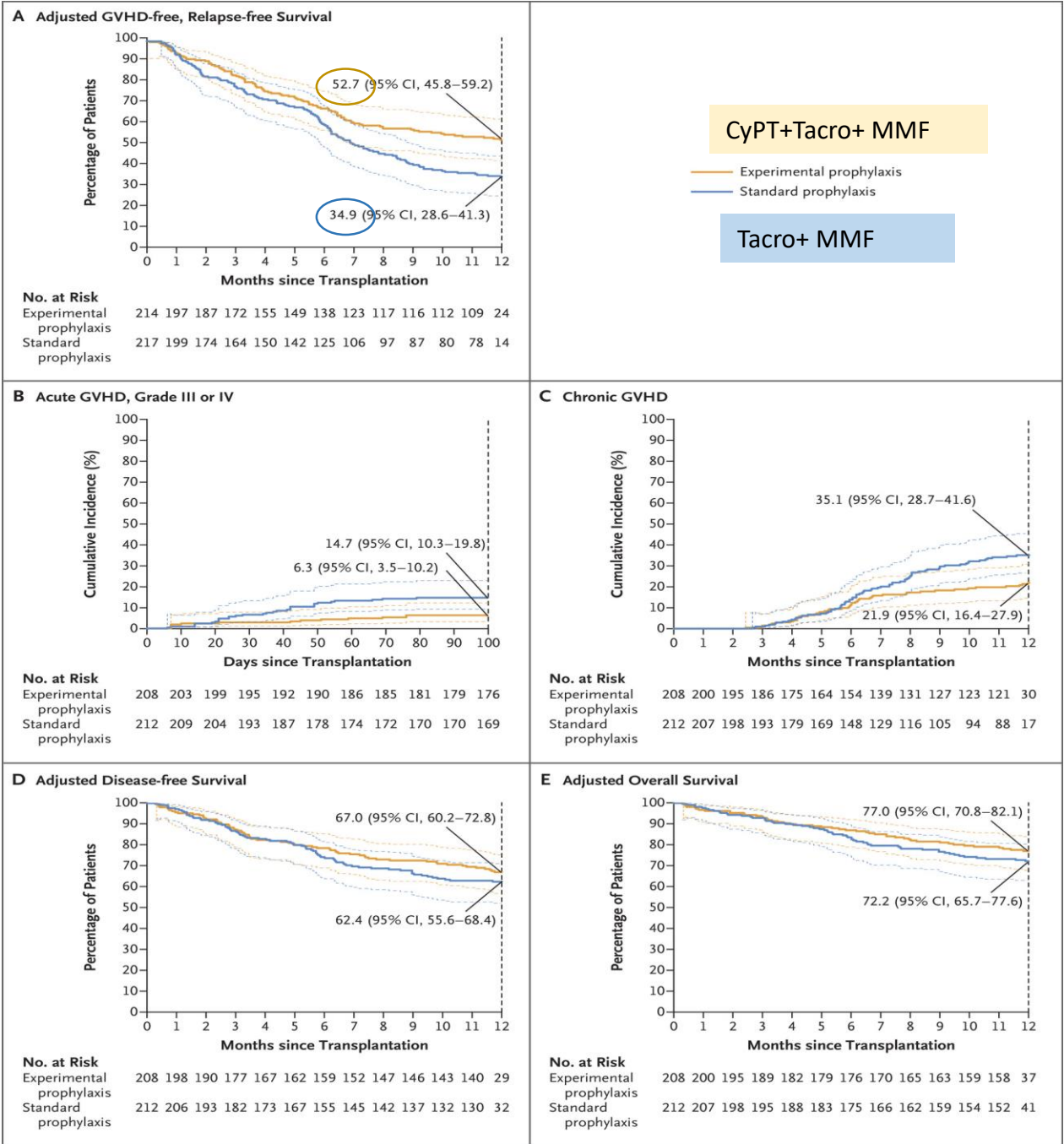
Follow up med 1 an après rando

2 ans inclusions

juin 2019-juin 2021

37 centres US





CyPT+Tacro+ MMF

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Tacro+ MMF

Mais pas de SAL alors que le greffon est des CSP et qu'il y a une majorité de MUD

# Posttransplant cyclophosphamide for prevention of graft-versus-host disease: results of the prospective randomized HOVON-96 trial

18-70 ans  
 allo hémopathie maligne à risque rechute  
 NMA  
 greffon CSP, MUD, MRD  
 rando 2:1

n=99  
**CyPT+Ciclo**  
 jusqu'à J70 en l'absence de GVH

n=50  
**ciclo+MPA** (acide mycophénolique)  
 jusqu'à J90+

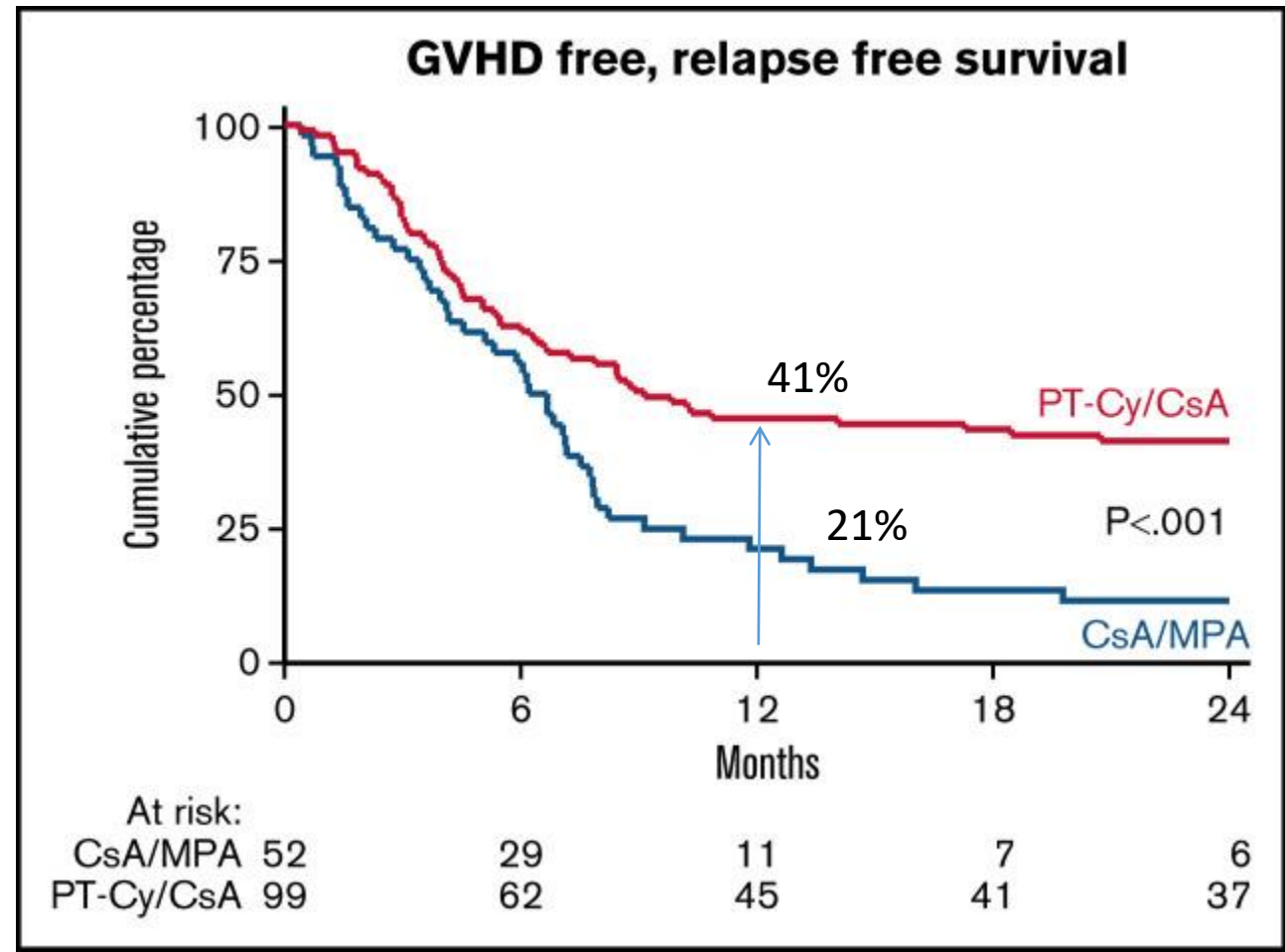


GVHa II-IV 30%

GVHaII-IV 48%

GVHc ext 16%

GVHc ext 48%



Cy- PT fait pareil que ciclo/tacro +MTX dans des greffes matchées de MO en MAC, SANS SAL

Cy- PT+ ciclo/tacro+MMF fait mieux que ciclo/tacro +MTX ou MMF dans des greffes matchées de CSP en RIC/NMA, SANS SAL

### **Nouvelles RECO de L'EBMT (à paraître)**

Grefe MUD sans SAL: privilégier CyPT

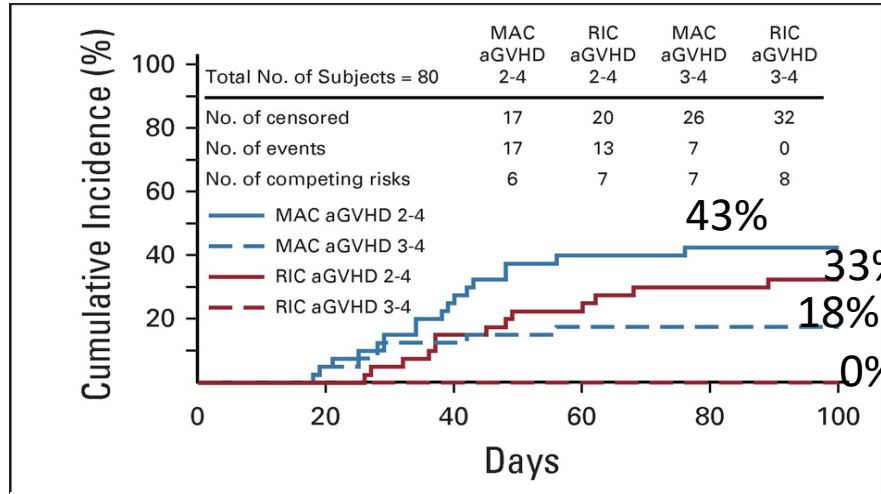
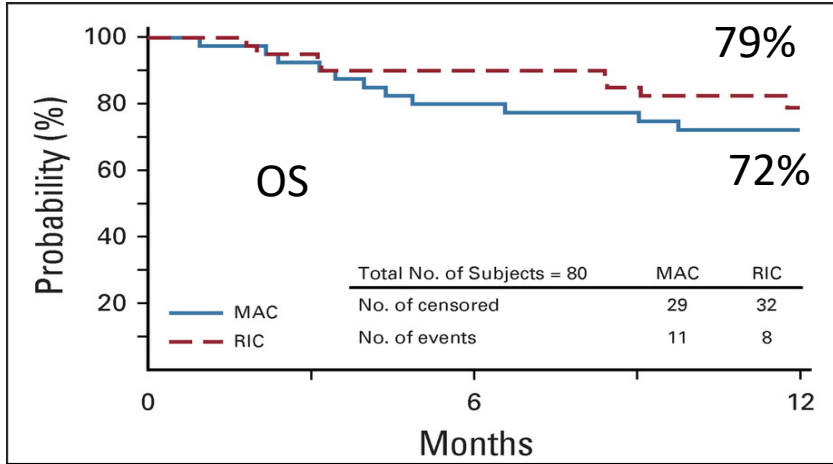
Greffes MRD avec SAL: pas d'argument pour remplacer SAL par CyPT

Greffes MUD avec SAL: CyPT en alternative du SAL est une possibilité

Quid des greffes MMUD?

# PT-Cy dans les MMUD

Bronwen E. Shaw, JCO 2021



Phase 2 prospective Cy-PT MMUD (39% 4 à 6/8 match)  
 End point: OS 1 an >65%  
 N=80 pts dans 11 centres US, sponsor NMDP  
 LAM (46%), LAL (21%), LNH ou LH (20%)  
 51 ans med (18-70)

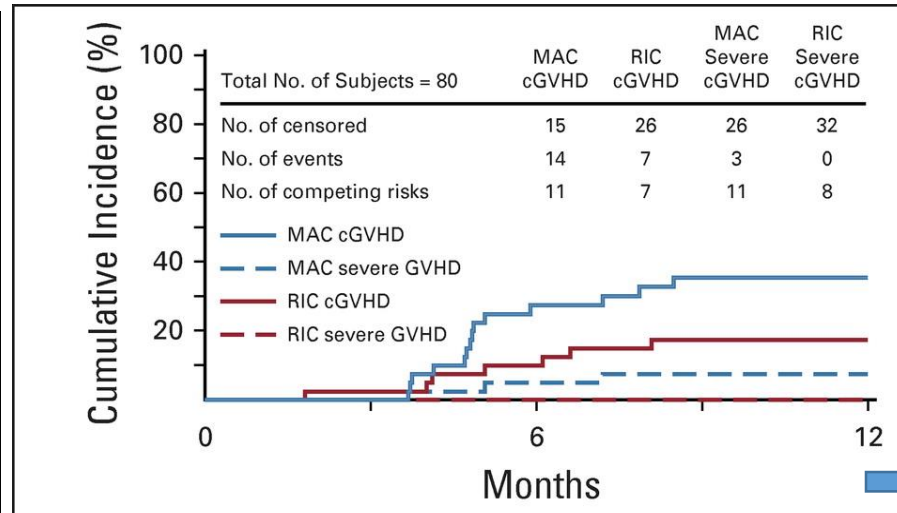
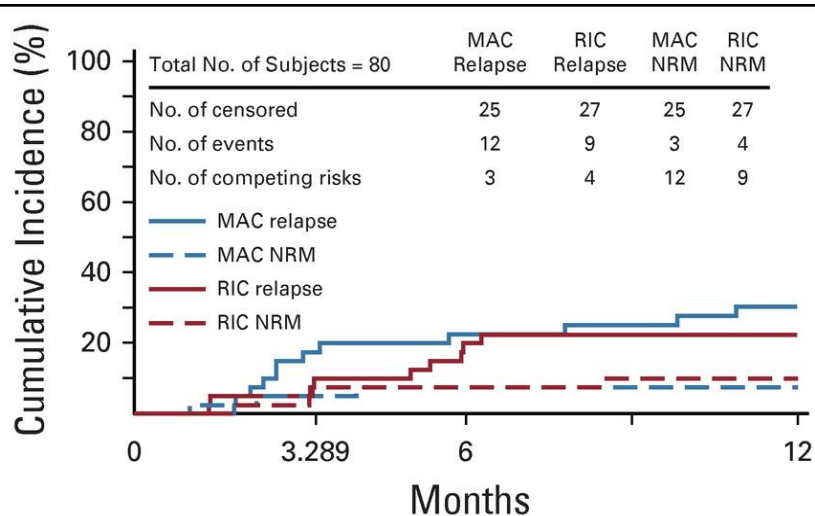
CDT **MAC** standart ou Bu Flu/  
**RIC**: Baltimore

Greffon: moelle

PT-Cy J+3J+4  
 Sirolimus+ MMF J+5

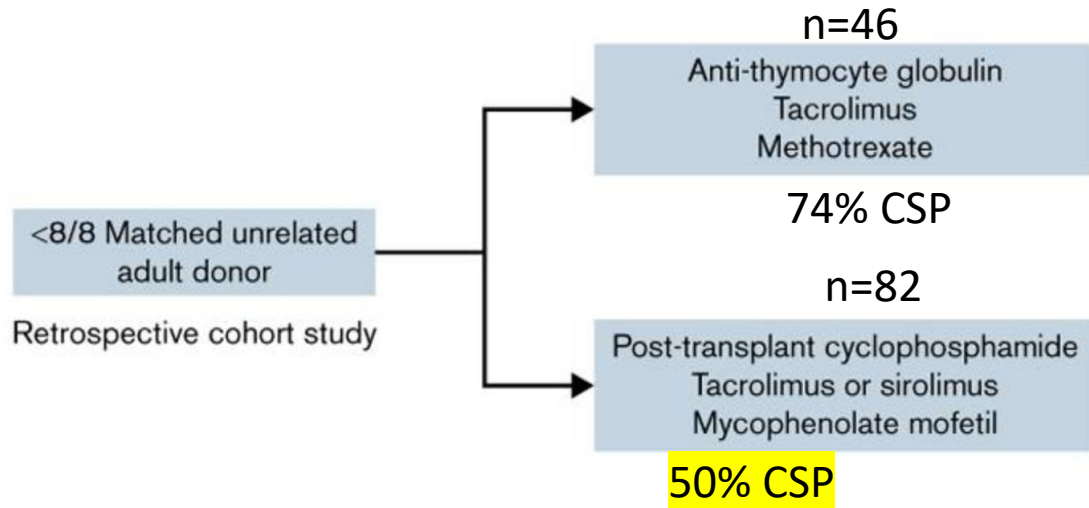
48% minorités ethniques

GRFS 1 an: 38% MAC, 55% RIC



Pour info, endpoint alter gref GRFS 2 ans 30% MMUD 9/10

# Improved GRFS after posttransplant cyclophosphamide-based vs ATG-based HLA-mismatched **unrelated** donor transplant



CyPT>SAL

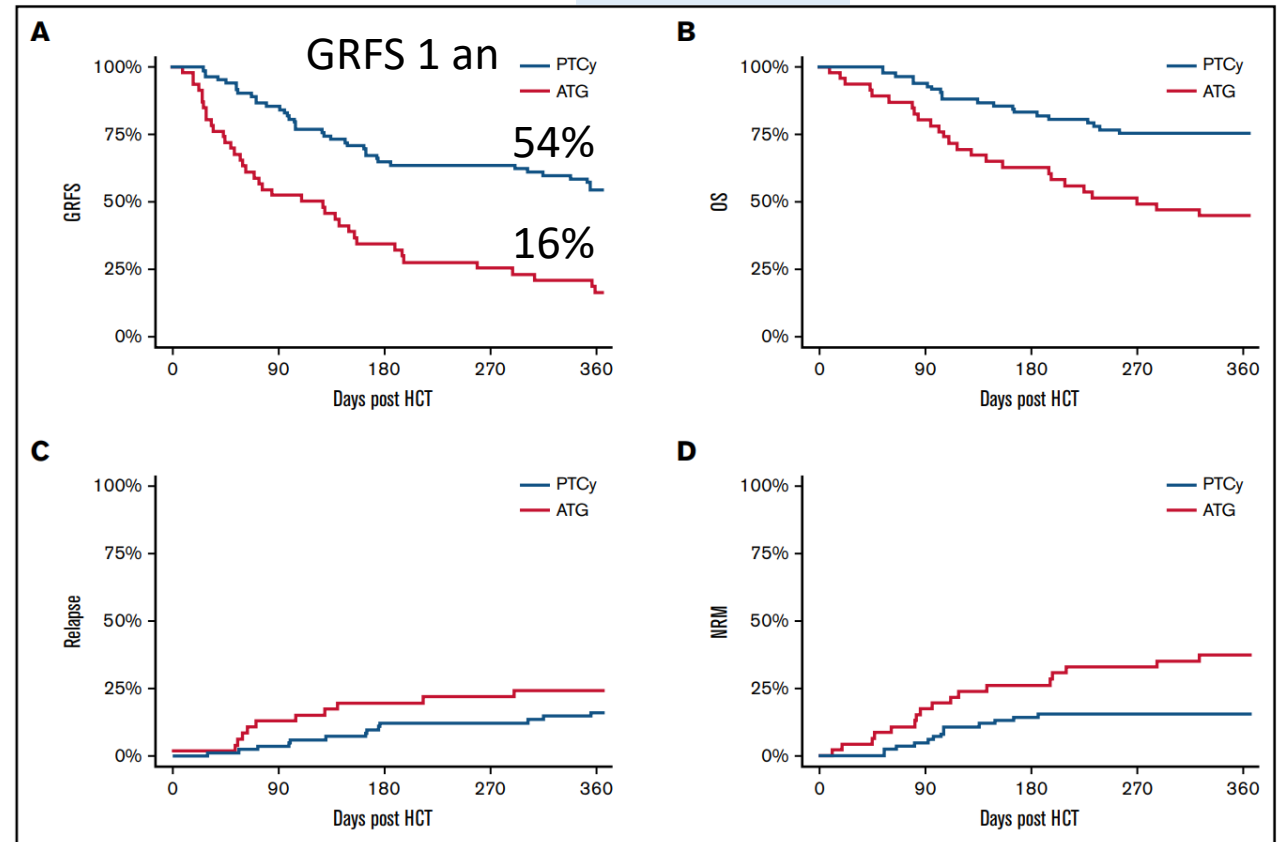


Figure 1. GRFS, OS, relapse, and RFS in both cohorts. GRFS (A), OS (B), cumulative incidence of relapse (C), and cumulative incidence of death without relapse (D).

Nouvelles reco EBMT  
dans les MMUD: SAL ou CyPT

## Nouvelles reco EBMT

Chez l'adulte **GVHa ref corticoïdes: RUXOLUTINIB** recommandé

Chez l'adulte **GVHc ref corticoïdes: RUXOLUTINIB** recommandé

**BELUMOSUDIL**: option thérapeutique potentielle

**IBRUTINIB**: option thérapeutique potentielle

### Prévention GVH

**MRD: SAL** recommandé, CyPT est une option thérapeutique potentielle

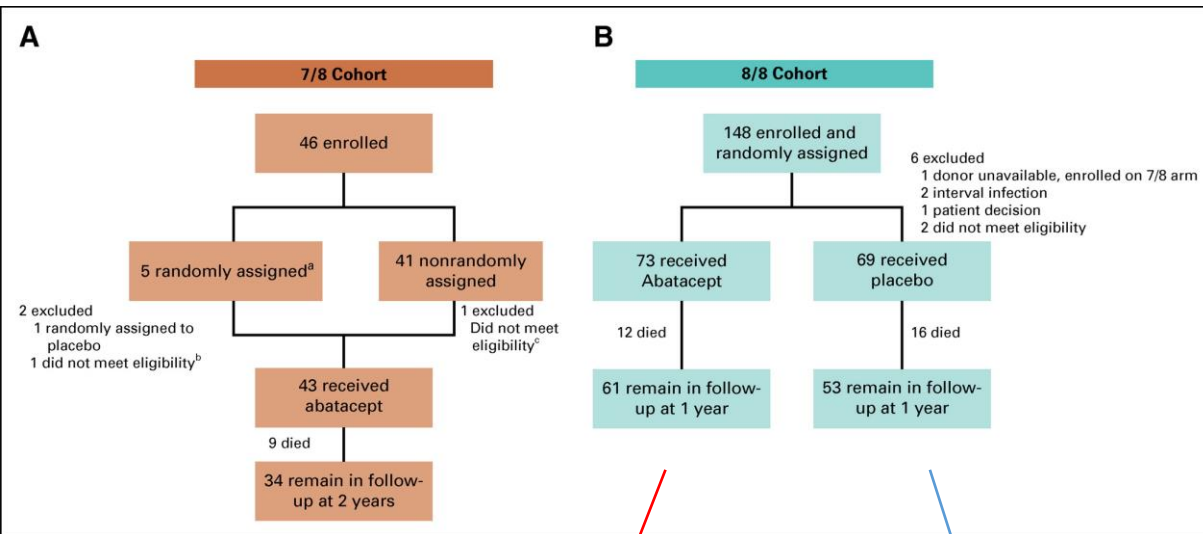
**MUD: SAL ou CyPT** recommandé

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# Phase II Trial of Costimulation Blockade With Abatacept for Prevention of Acute GVHD

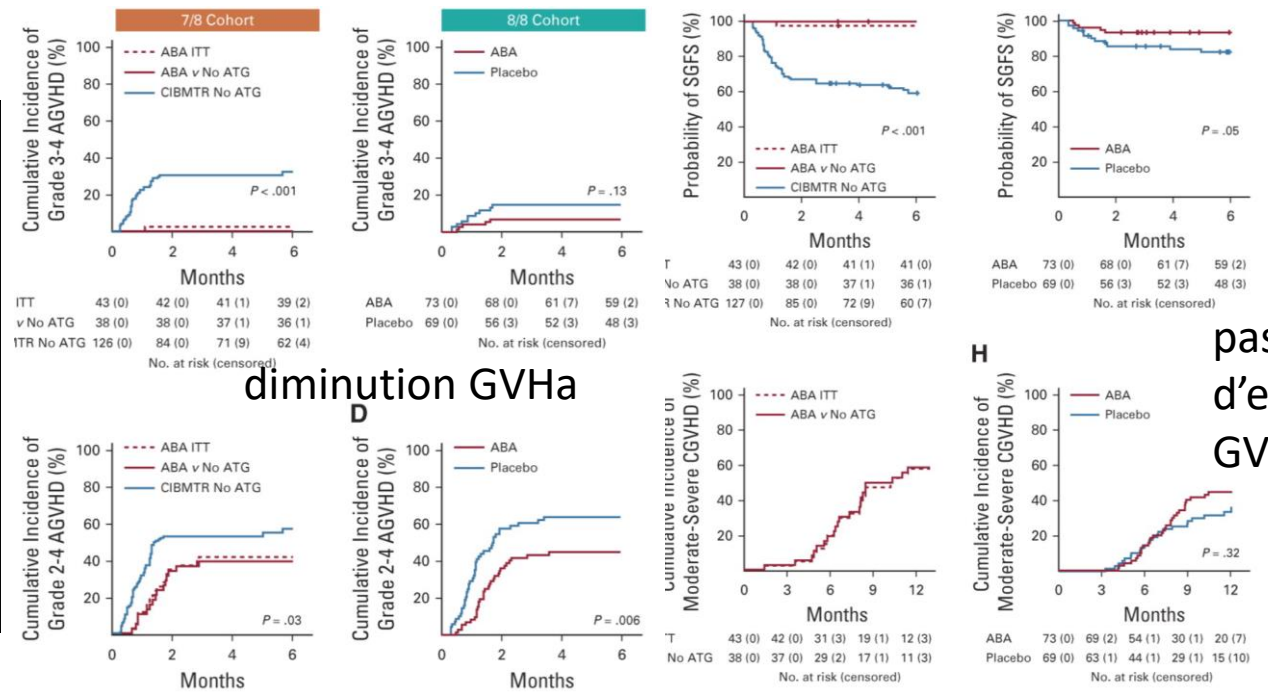
Watkins, JCO 2021



CNI/MTX +  
abatacept  
10 mg/kg/dose  
J-1, +5, +14, +28

CNI/MTX  
+ placebo

MAC, 60-50% CSP, Pas d'ATG

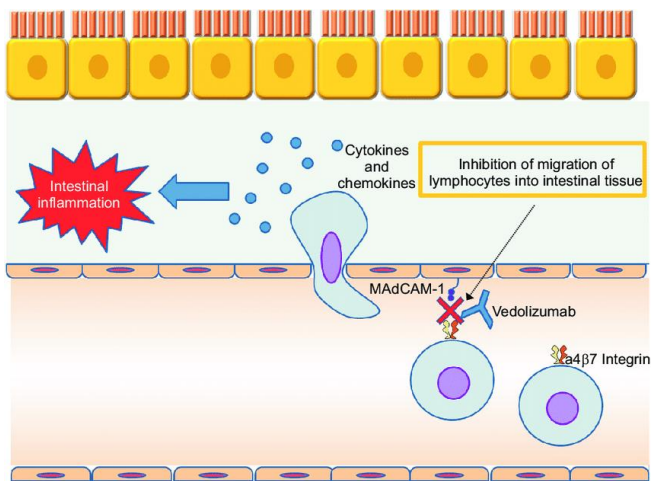


diminution GVHa

pas d'effet GVHc

*In December 2021, abatacept in combination with a calcineurin inhibitor and methotrexate was approved by the FDA for the prophylaxis of acute GVHD among patients undergoing allogeneic transplant from a matched or 1-allele mismatched unrelated donor*

# Vedolizumab for Prophylaxis of Lower Gastrointestinal (GI) Acute Graft-Versus-Host Disease (aGvHD) after Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (allo-HSCT) from Unrelated Donors: Results of a Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Multicenter Study (GRAPHITE)



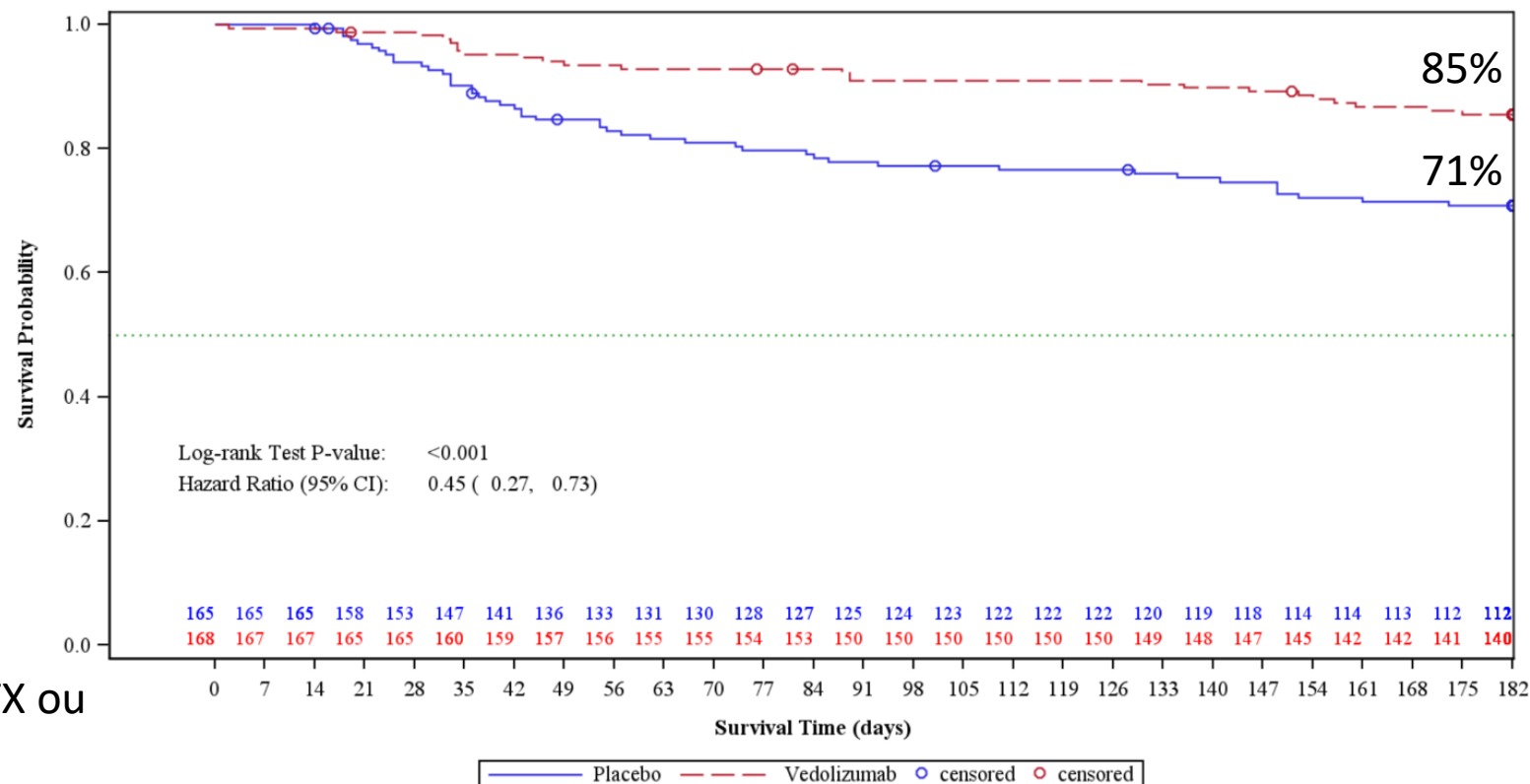
Vedolizumab Ac anti  $\alpha 4\beta 7$  integrin exprimés sur lympho essentiel pour trafficking GI

n=168  
vedo+CNI+  
MTX ou  
MMF

n=165  
Placebo+CNI+ MTX ou  
MMF

7/8 ou 8/8 MUD, RIC/MAC

**Figure.** Primary endpoint: Lower gastrointestinal aGvHD free Survival by Days+180 (red line: vedolizumab arm; blue line: placebo arm)



# Traitements curateurs GVHaigue

## 1ere ligne GVHa 2-4: Corticoïdes à fortes doses

2mg/Kg methylprednisolone ou 2-2.5mg/Kg prednisone  
GVH grade 2 cutanée ou dig haut: 1mg/Kg

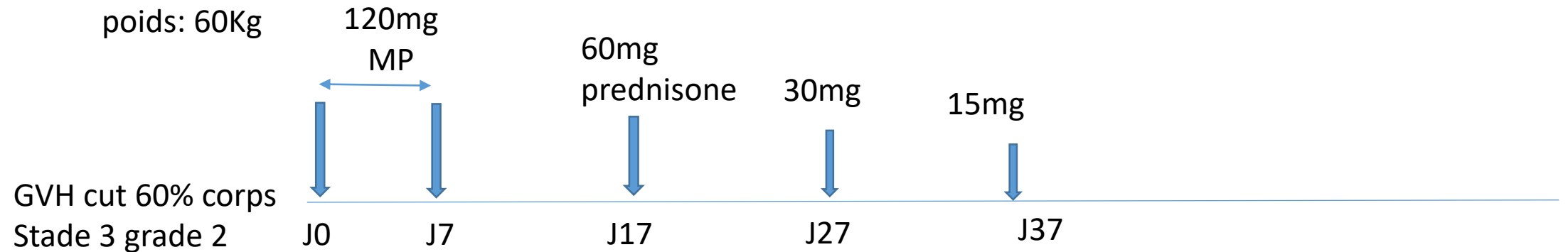
7 jours minimum

Si GVH dig: rajouter cortico non absorbés  
Si GVH cut ajouter cortico topiques

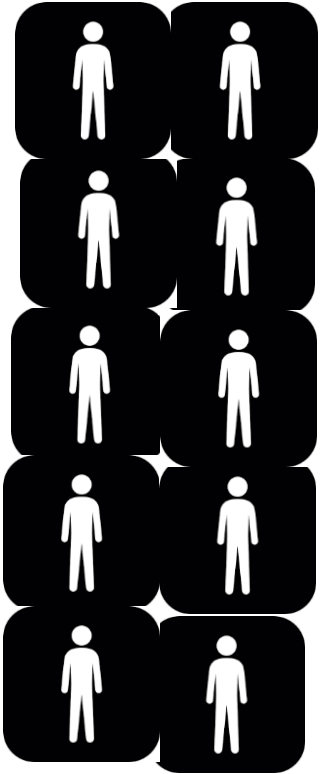


1933: traitement PAR avec extraits glandes surrénales.  
Découverte cortisol

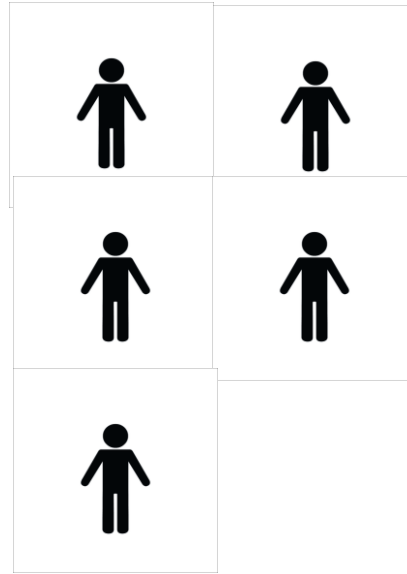
En cas de résolution : diminution 10% dose initiale en 4 semaines environ



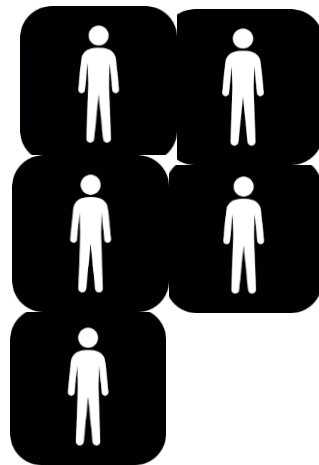
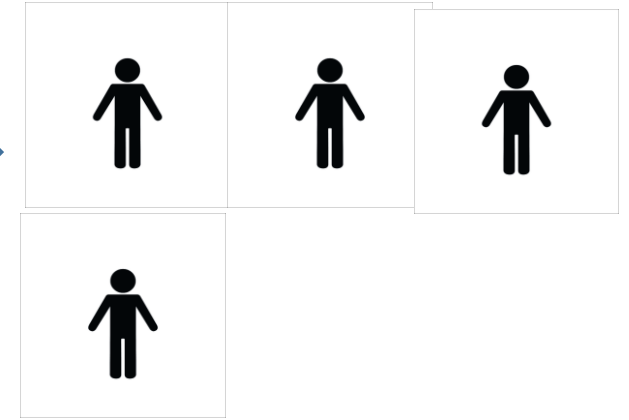
N=10 GVHa



N=5 réponses complètes aux corticoïdes



N=3 à 4 réponses durables après cortico



**Cortico-Résistance ou Cortico-dépendance**

- Progression après 3 jours
- Persistance GVH III-IV après 7 jours
- Persistance GVH II-IV après 14 jours

A second-line treatment for acute GVHD is recommended if corticosteroid resistance or dependence occurs	100	2C	This recommendation is based on standard practice and expert opinion
There is no standard second-line treatment for acute GVHD. Current practice is to prescribe one of the following drugs: alemtuzumab, α1-antitripsin, basiliximab, cellular therapies (eg, mesenchymal cells and regulatory T-cells) daclizumab, extracorporeal photopheresis, faecal microbiota transplantation, JAK inhibitors (eg, ruxolotinib which is FDA approved), mycophenolate mofetil, methotrexate, pentostatin, rATG, sirolimus, or vedolizumab; for second-line treatment of acute GVHD, centres should follow their institutional guidelines, and patients should be treated in clinical trials when possible	100	2A	Not enough data exist from well designed studies available to be able to compare the efficacy of different second-line options

# REACH Program

## Acute SR-GVHD-Completed and Published Studies

### REACH1

- Single-cohort Ph 2 trial (US only)
- Ruxolitinib in combination with corticosteroids for the treatment of Grade II-IV **SR-aGVHD**

### REACH2

- Ph 3, randomized, open-label, multicenter trial (ex-US)
- Ruxolitinib vs BAT in Grade II-IV **SR/D-aGVHD** after allo-SCT

### REACH3

- Ph 3, randomized, open-label, multicenter trial (Global)
- Ruxolitinib vs BAT in moderate to severe **SR/D-cGVHD** after allo-SCT

Ruxo= standart de 2de  
ligne GVHa ou cortico  
R/dep

AMM

Prix France début 2024

## Studies in Pediatric Patients

### REACH4

- Ph 1/2, single-cohort trial (ex-US)
- Ruxolitinib in combination with corticosteroids in Grade II-IV **aGVHD** after allo-SCT
- **Recruitment Completed**

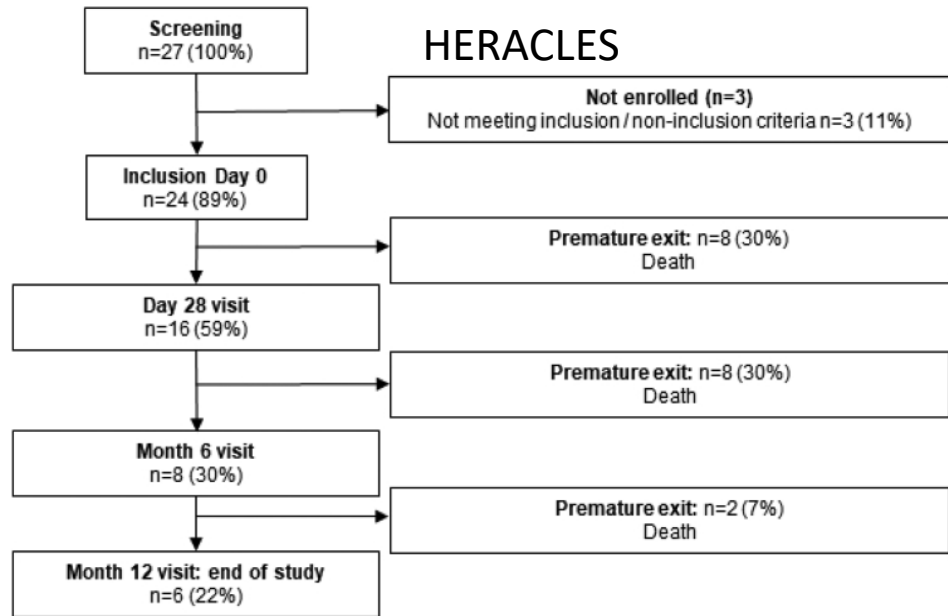
### REACH5

- Ph 2, single-cohort trial (ex-US)
- Ruxolitinib in combination to corticosteroids in moderate to severe **cGVHD** after allo-SCT





# Pooled allogeneic faecal microbiota MaaT013 for steroid-resistant gastrointestinal acute graft-versus-host disease: a single-arm, multicentre phase 2 trial

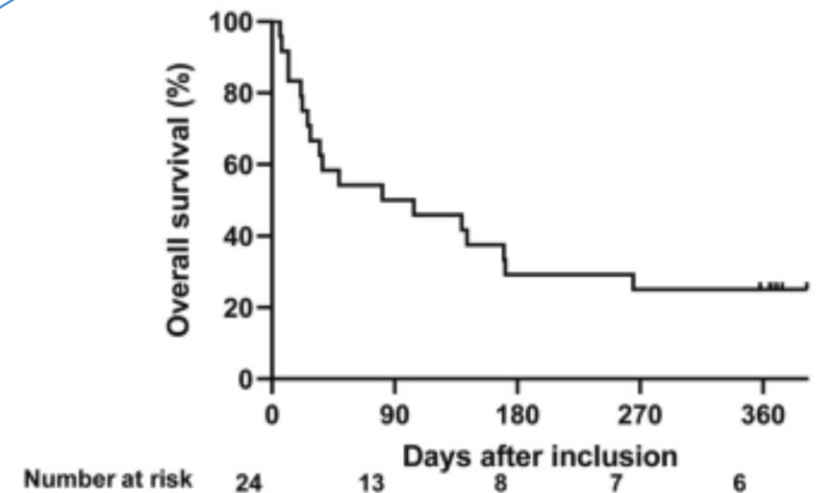
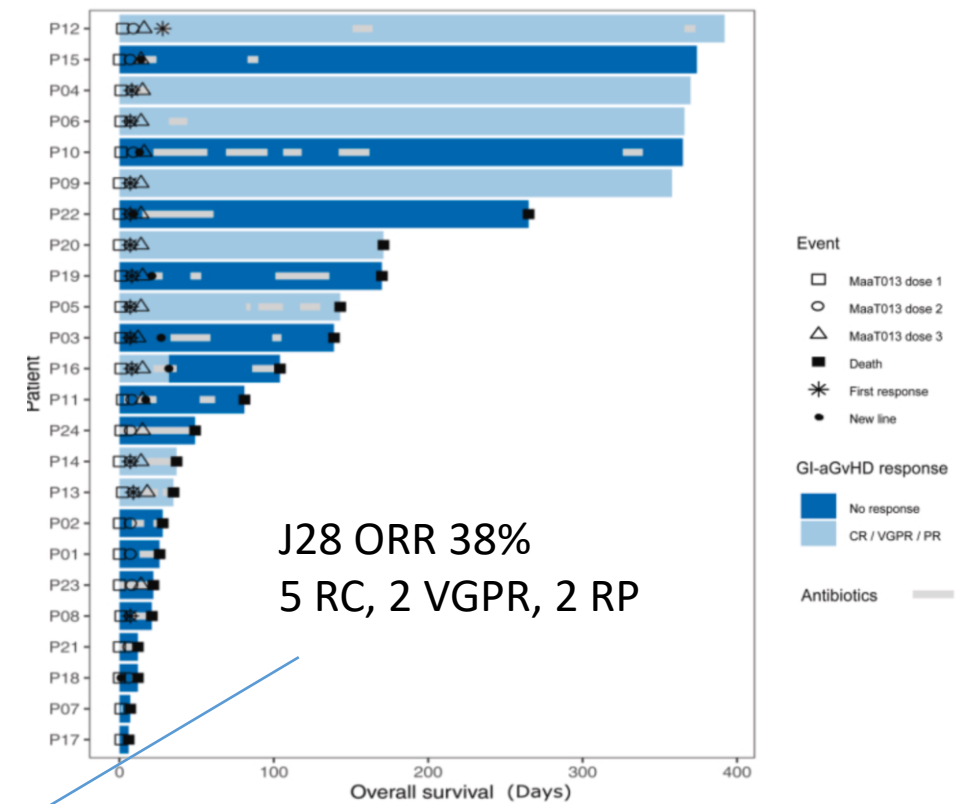


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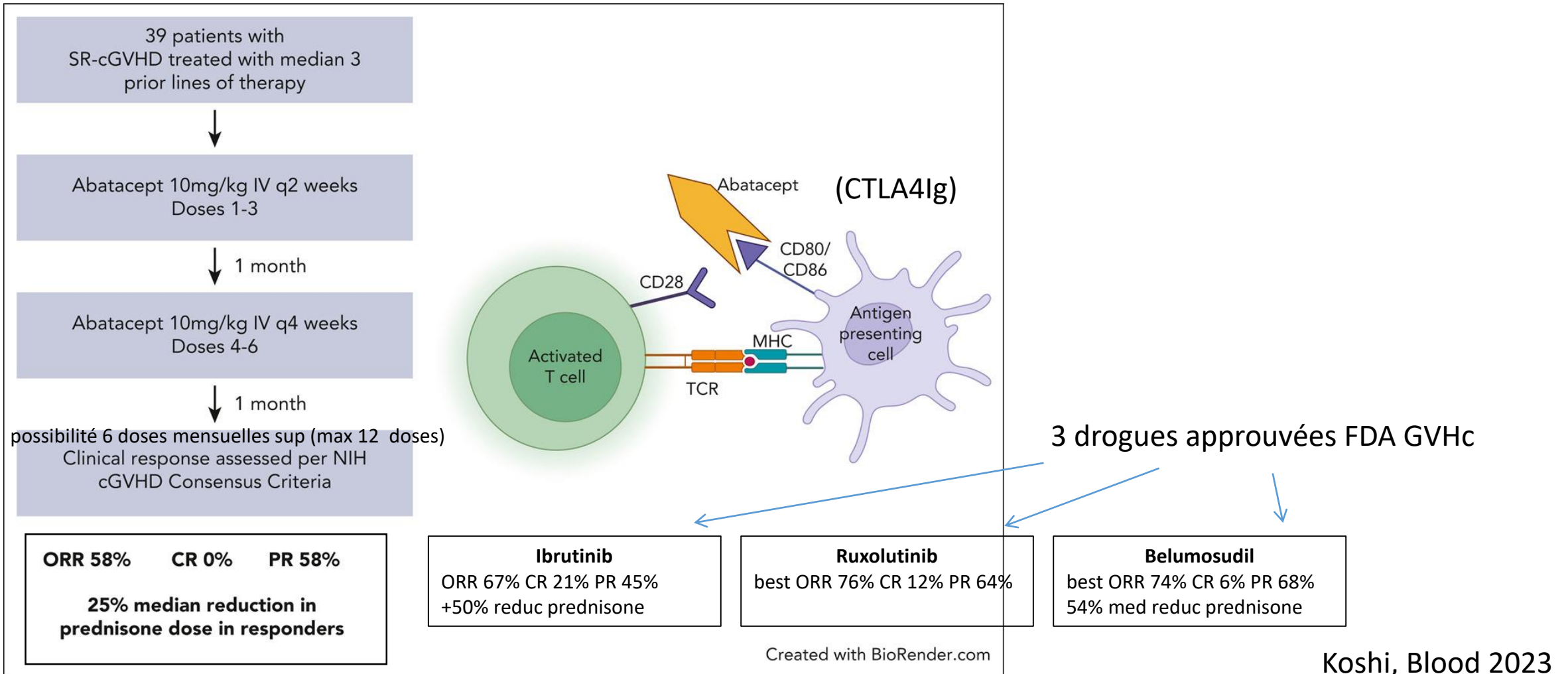
GVHa dig basse 3-4 cortico-R  
TMF en 2de ligne  
MaaT013: pool de 3 à 8 donneurs  
voie rectale

Selles: aug richesse , bacteries productrices de butyrate  
chez répondeurs

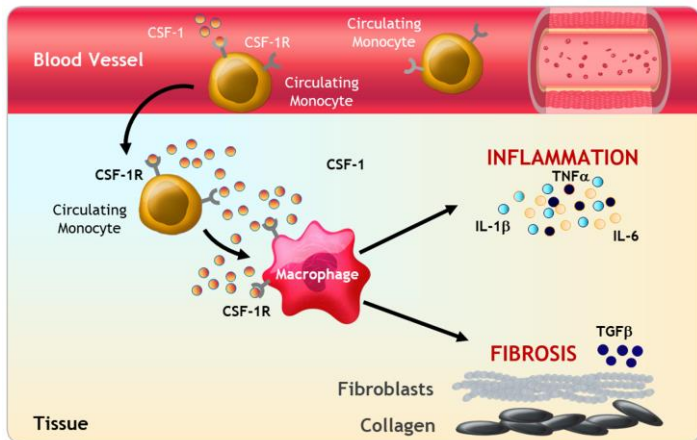
n=52 patients hors protoc, ORR 58%



# Phase 2 clinical trial evaluating abatacept in patients with steroid-refractory chronic graft-versus-host disease



# Axatilimab for Chronic GVHD After Failure of at Least Two Prior Systemic Therapies: Results of a Phase I/II Study

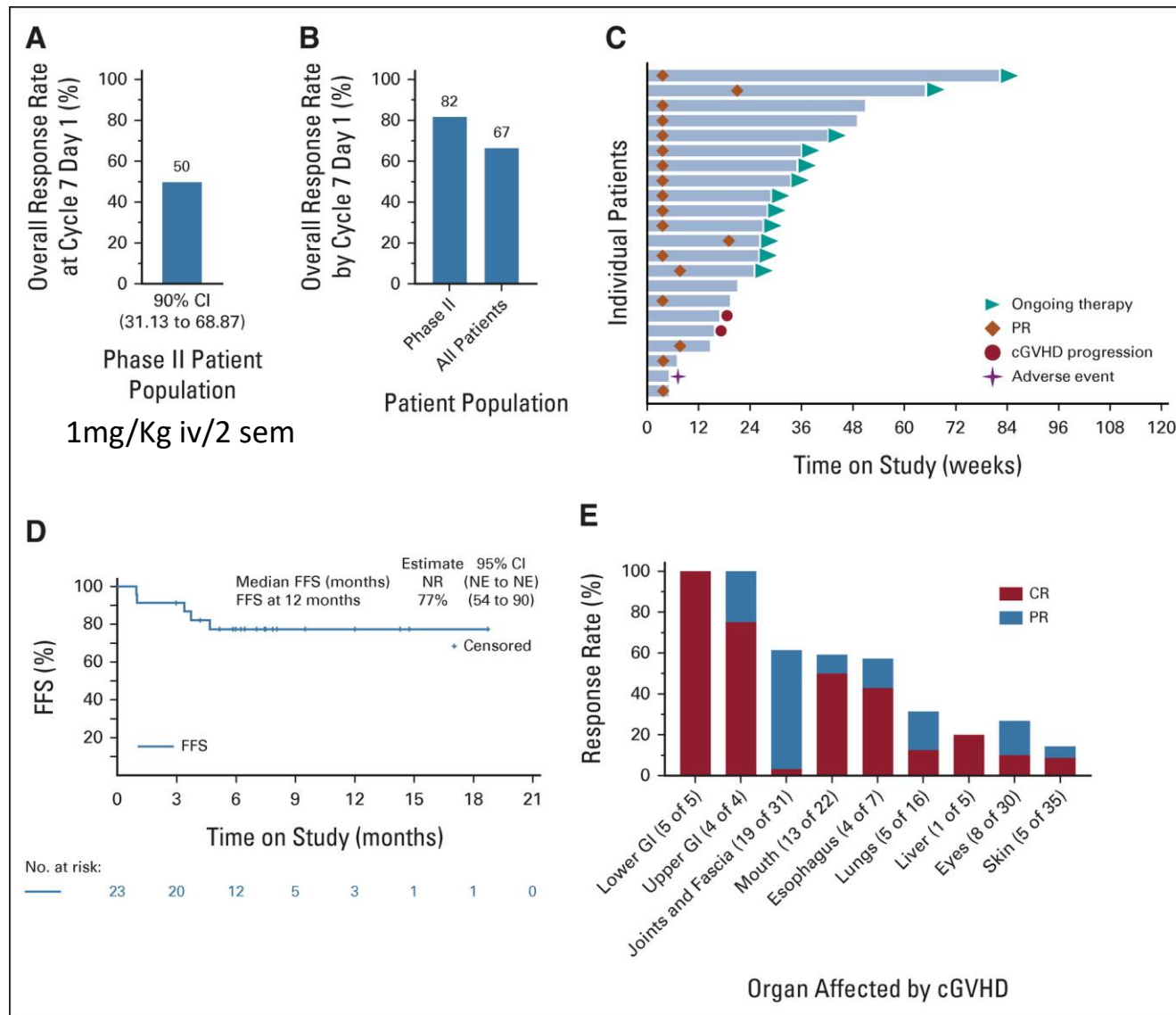


Syndax, Adapted from MacDonald, KP; Blood. 2017

n=40	
Time from cGVHD diagnosis to first dose, years, median (range)	3.2 (0.11-15.62)
NIH cGVHD severity, No. (%)	
Moderate	6 (15.0)
Severe	34 (85.0)
Organ involvement	
Median number of organs involved, No. (range)	4 (1-9)
Patients with ≥ 4 organs involved, No. (%)	26 (65)

**Objectif ORR 60%**

Kitko, JCO 2023



# CONCLUSION

La GVH reste un problème majeur post allo

La plupart des études rando ne comportent pas de SAL

Prévention:

ATG reste valable pour les MRD

Pour les MUD : CyPT est une alternative au SAL

Pour les MMUD: CyPT > SAL

Abatacept semble être une drogue prometteuse

Curatif: GVHa cortico R reste problématique

Ruxo reste le traitement de reference en 2de ligne GVHa/c

Intérêt TMF dans les GVH dig cortico R

nouvelles drogues dans la GVHc

Investigational agent	Donor type	Study arm	Control arm	aGVHD (grade 3-4), %	Relapse, %	OS, %	Composite end point, %
<b>RIC</b>							
PTCy (BMT CTN 1703)	MRD/MUD (8/8)	PTCy/TAC/MMF (n = 214)	TAC/MTX (n = 217)	6.3 vs 14.7*	21 vs 20	76.8 vs 72.6	GRFS: 52.7 vs 34.9*
PTCy (HOVON 96)	MRD/MUD (8/8)	PTCy/CSA (n = 99)	CSA/MMF (n = 52)	6 vs 16	32 vs 24	71 vs 65	GRFS: 45 vs 21*
Vedolizumab	MUD (7/8 or 8/8)	Vedo/CNI/MTX or MMF (n = 168)	CNI/MTX or MMF (n = 165)	—	—	—	85.5 vs 70.9* Lower intestinal aGVHD-free survival
Sirolimus	MUD (7/8 or 8/8)	Siro/MMF/CSA (n = 91)	CSA/MMF (n = 77)	2 vs 8	19 vs 21	86 vs 70*	—
<b>MAC</b>							
Abatacept	MUD (8/8)	Aba/CNI/MTX (n = 73)	CNI/MTX (n = 69)	6.8 vs 14.8	21.5 vs 23.6	74.3 vs 64	SGFS: 93.2 vs 82*
Abatacept	MUD (7/8)	Aba/CNI/MTX (n = 43)	CNI/MTX (n = 127)†	2.3 vs 30.2*	9.3 vs 21.4	73.6 vs 45.3*	SGFS: 97.7 vs 58.75*
PTCy	MUD (7/8 or 8/8)	PTCy/TAC/MMF (n = 125)	—	4	25	80	GRFS: 57
Vedolizumab	MUD (7/8 or 8/8)	Vedo/CNI/MTX or MMF (n = 168)	CNI/MTX or MMF (n = 165)	—	—	—	85.5 vs 70.9* Lower intestinal aGVHD-free survival

Dashes denote that the results are not yet available. Aba, abatacept; BMT CTN, Blood and Marrow Transplant Clinical Trials Network; GRFS, GVHD/relapse or progression-free survival; HOVON, Dutch-Belgian Cooperative Trial Group for Hemato-Oncology; MAC, myeloablative conditioning; SGFS, severe aGVHD-free survival; Siro, sirolimus; Vedo, vedolizumab.

\*Statistically significant.

†CIBMTR cohort.