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Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

- Most common adult leukemia (~15,000 cases per year)
- Median age at diagnosis 72 years
- Causes ~ 4400 deaths per year
- Absolute survival has increased over last 2 decades

American Cancer Society. Cancer Facts & Figures 2011; Rai K, et al. Blood. 1975;46:219-234; Brenner H, et al. Blood. [published online ahead of print February 28, 2008].

Diagnosis: NCI-WG

- Small, mature lymphocytes ≥ 5000/µL (BLOOD)
- Lymphocytes ≥ 30% in (BONE MARROW)
- Clonal expansion of abnormal B lymphocytes (FLOW)
 - Low density of surface Ig (IgM or IgD) with κ or λ light chains
 - B-cell surface antigens (CD19, CD20, CD23);
 CD20 dim

- CD5 surface antigen (usually Tcell)

Cheson BD, et al. Blood. 1996;87:4990-4997.

	Staging Systems	
<u>Rai</u>	Findings	<u>Survival (mo)</u>
0	Lymphocytosis only	> 120
1	Lymphocytosis + lymphadenopathy	95
II	Lymphocytosis + > spleen and/or liver	72
Ш	Lymphocytosis + anemia (Hgb < 11.0 g/c	dL) 30
IV	Lymphocytosis + platelets < 100	30
<u>Binet</u>	Findings Surviv	<u>al (mo</u>)
А	Hgb \geq 10, Plts \geq 100, < 3 involved area	s* > 120
В	Hgb ≥ 10, Plts ≥ 100, ≥ 3 involved area	s* 84
С	Hgb < 10, or Plts < 100	24
*Involved a Rai KR, et a	areas include cervical, axillary, or inguinal nodes, spleen, or liver. al. <i>Blood.</i> 1975;46:219-234; Binet JL, et al. <i>Cancer.</i> 1981;48:198-206.	5

Traditional Prognostic Factors

- Advanced stage at diagnosis
- Short lymphocyte doubling time
- Diffuse bone marrow infiltration
- Older age, males
- Cytogenetic abnormalities

Rozman C, Montserrat E. *N Engl J Med.* 1995;333:1052-1057. Cheson BD, et al. *Blood.* 1996;87:4990-4997.







- Immunoglobulin heavy chain variable region (IgV_H)
- \leq 2% mutation = unmutated
 - Mutated survival much longer than unmutated
- CD38 status (≥ 30% = poor outcome)
- ZAP-70 status (≥ 20% = poor outcome)
- High serum β2-microglobulin

Genetic Aberrations in CLL Interphase FISH Results

Chromosomal aberrations detected in 268 of 325 cases (82%)

Abnormality	No. Patients (%)
13q deletion	178 (55)
11q deletion	58 (18)
Trisomy 12	53 (16)
17p deletion	23 (7)
6q deletion	21 (6)
Döhner H, et al. <i>N Engl J Med</i> . 2000;343:1910-1916.	

International Workshop on Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (IWCLL) Indications for Treatment

- Binet stage B or Rai stages I or II, with at least one of the following
 - Splenomegaly, when symptomatic, progressive, or massive
 - Lymphadenopathy, when symptomatic, progressive, or massive
 - Progressive lymphocytosis
 - Autoimmune anemia, and/or thrombocytopenia unresponsive to steroids
 - A disease-related symptom (ie, unintentional weight loss significant fatigue, fever, night sweats)
 - Progressive marrow failure
- Binet stage C, Rai stages III or IV



Defining (Current NCI	CR in CLL -WG Criteria
Symptoms	None
Lymphocyte count	≤ 4000/µL
Lymph nodes	No palpable disease
(liver, spleen)	
Neutrophils	≥ 1500/µL
Platelets	> 100,000/µL
Hemoglobin	> 11 g/dL
Bone marrow	< 30% lymphocytes, no nodules

International Workshop on Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (IWCLL) Role of CT Scan

- "CT scans generally are *not* required for the initial evaluation or follow-up"
- Enlarged lymph nodes detected only by CT do not change Binet or Rai stage
- Progression in Rai stage 0 predicted by abdominal CT in 1 study, more research needed
- Recommended for clinical trials Hallek M, et al. *Blood.* [Published online ahead of print January 28, 2008]. Muntanola A, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2007;25:1576-1580.

Response to FC + Rituximab (NCI-WG: 300 Patients)

Response	# Pts.	(%)	
CR	217	(72%)	$\overline{)}$
Nodular PR	31	(10%)	> 95%
PR	37	(12%)	J
No Response	13	(4%)	
Early Death	2	(1%)	
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Is FCR good for everyone ? Mutation status? 17p- (p53 mutation)? 11q- (ATM deletion)? Age greater than 70 years?

FISH CYTOGENETICS AND MUTATION STATUS

Prospective Evaluation of Prognostic Factors Post FCR Study (2004-2010)

Prognostic Factor	Value	Pts.	%CR	%nPR	%OR
	-17p	37	35	5	76
	-11q	75	76	9	97
FISH	Trisomy 12	66	80	11	98
	-13q	100	66	8	98
	Negative	70	71	11	96
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Mutation status, zap70 and CD38 are not good predictors of probability of CR!



New Treatments for CLL - 2012

- 1. Ofatumumab, GA-101, Abt-263, etc
- 2. Bendamustine, Nelarabine
- 3. CAL 101(PI3-K Delta inhibitor), BTK Inhibitor,
- 4. PEITC (Huang), Sapacitabine (Plunkett)
- 5. Lenalidomide , Flavopiridol, SCH-727965
- 6. Immuno-therapy (CARs)
- 7. OFAR (Oxaliplatin)—Richter's
- 8. Non –ablative allo transplant.



Alemtuzumab	US Trial:	Toxicity
	All Grades, %	Grade 3 - 4, %
Infusion-related reaction		
Rigors	90	14
Fever	85	20
Nausea	53	0
Vomiting	38	1
Rash	33	0
Dyspnea	28	12
Hypotension	17	2
Infection	55	26
CMV reactivation	8	4
Septicemia	15	10





Lenalidomide in Elderly CLL: Response (2008 NCI-WG Criteria)

N = 60	NCI Response		
	n patients	%	
CR*	6	10	
CRi*	3	5	
Nodular PR	3	5	
PR	25	42	
ORR	37	62	









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B CELL RECEPTOR SIGNALING





35 Reference: Lannutti, Blood, 2011







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Frontline treatment of CLL 2015

- Induction with BCR Tyrosine kinase inhibitor
- Test for MRD with flow, plasma DNA,Mirs and other serum markers
- Consolidation with CARs or genetic specific therapies
- NST allogeneic transplants later

OTHER ISSUES REMAINING IN CLL

- AUTO-IMMUNE COMPLICATIONS
- RICHTER'S TRANSFORMATION
- HYPO GAMMA-GLOBULINEMIA
- SECOND CANCERS
- INFECTION OCURRENCE AND PREVENTION
- MARROW FAILURE



