

# *Update on clinical trials in myeloma*

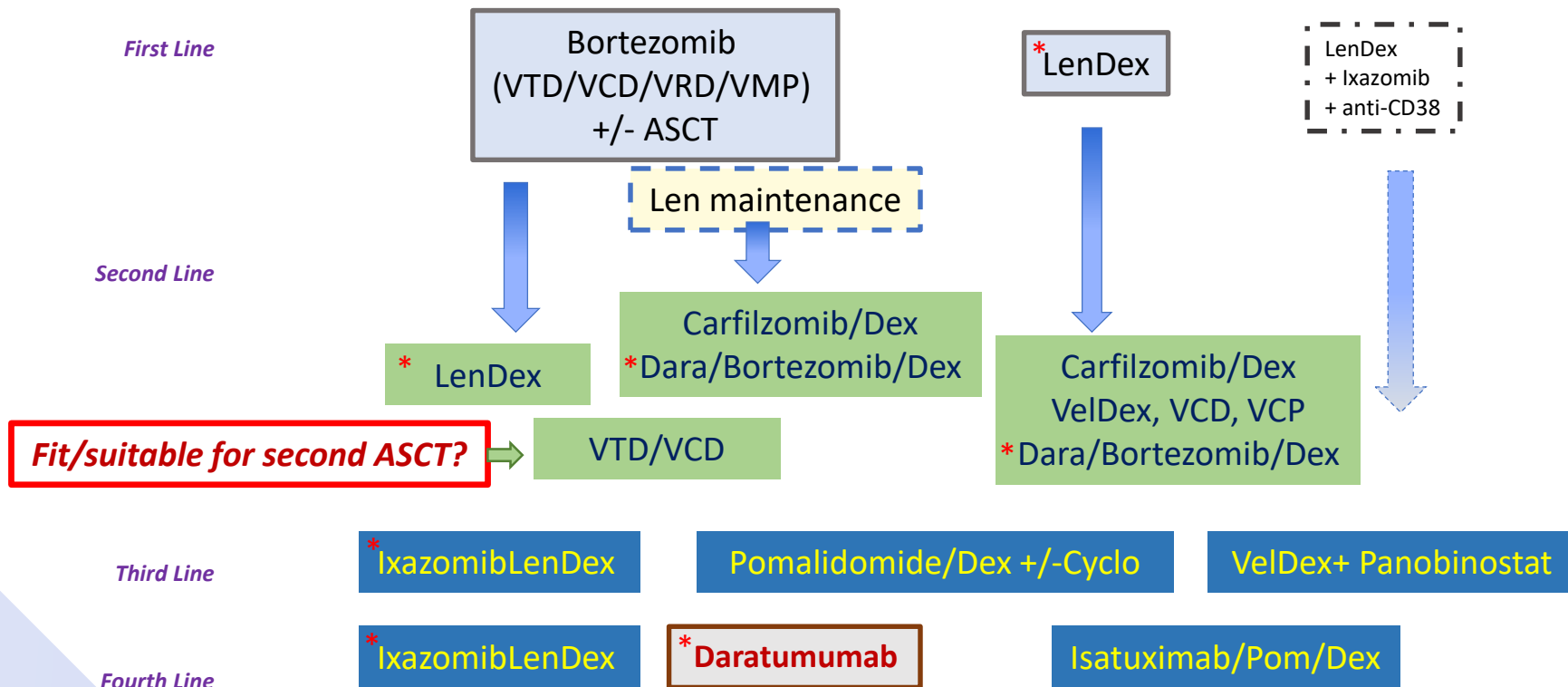
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# Current NICE approved pathway

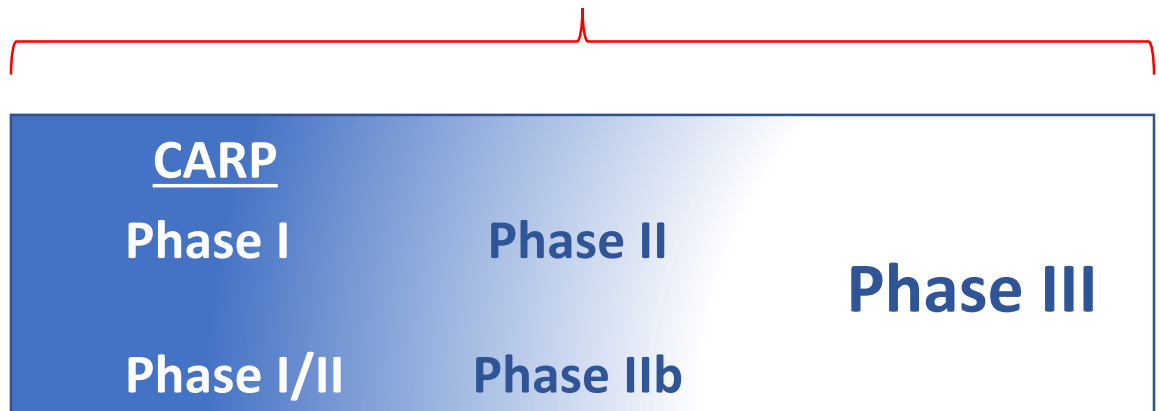


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# UK Myeloma Research Alliance



## NCRI Haemato-Oncology CSG (Myeloma Sub-group)



# Overview of MRA studies

MGUS/ Smouldering myeloma	Newly diagnosed MM	First Relapse	Later Relapses
<i>Observational study (CRUK Early Detection programme)</i>	<b>MUKnine</b>	<b>Myeloma XII ACCORD</b>	<b>MUK 7 MUK 8 MUK11</b>
<b>DEFENSE Anti-RANK- ligand Ab vs placebo</b>	<b>CARDAMON</b>		<i>CARP programme: PROMISS</i>
	<i>Myeloma XIV</i>		
	<i>Myeloma XV</i>		

Supportive Care and Special patient populations	
Antibiotic prophylaxis	TEAMM (TEAMM2)
Supportive care	ENCOMPASS
Plasma cell leukemia	EMN Study
Renal impairment	

Trials in newly diagnosed patients:  
*:A new paradigm of risk stratification*

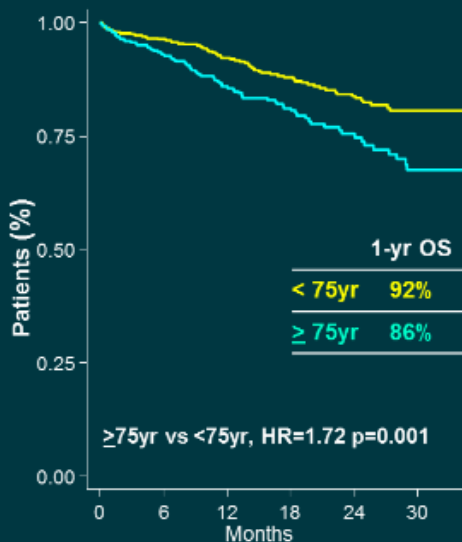
What is the most important risk in older patients?

# IMWG Frailty score – the gold standard

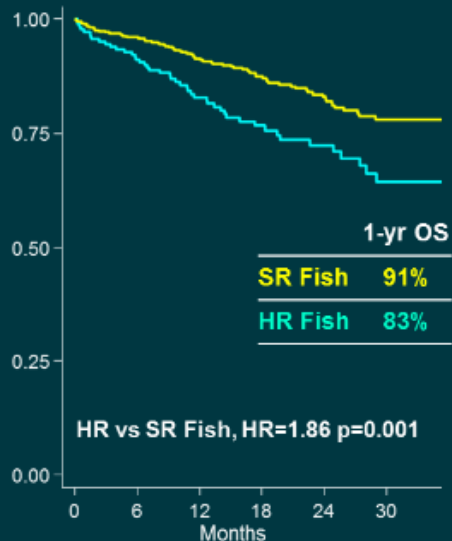
- 869 patients from 3 international EMN trials
  - All novel agents – bortezomib, lenalidomide or carfilzomib
- Geriatric assessments
  - Age
  - Katz's Activity of Daily Living and Instrumental ADL
  - Charlson Comorbidity Index
- Multivariate analysis, including ISS, chromosomal abnormalities and treatment

# IMWG Frailty score – the gold standard in MM?

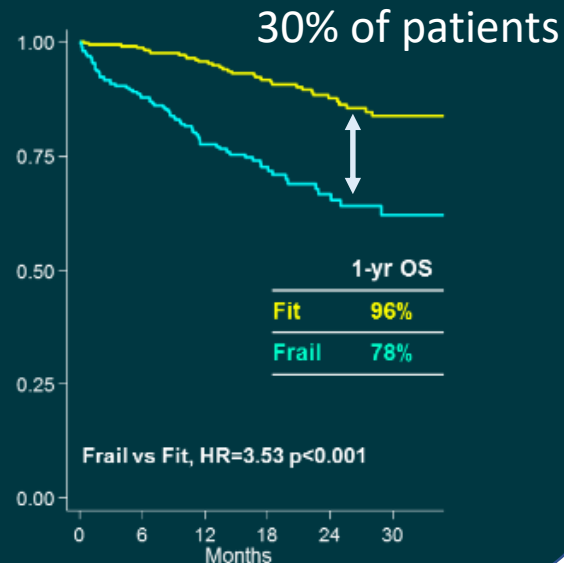
## Age



## Chromosomal abnormalities



## Frailty





## IMWG Frailty score

### FIT

Age  $\leq 75$  years, ADL  $> 4$ , IADL  $> 5$ , and CCI  $\leq 1$

#### ASCT eligibility:

cardiac function (LVEF  $> 40\%$ )  
liver function (bilirubin  $< 1.5$  ULN, AST/ALT  $< 2.5$  ULN)  
pulmonary function (DLCO/FEV1  $> 40-80\%$ )

#### ASCT

#### No ASCT

#### MEL200 mg/m<sup>2</sup> if:

- age  $\leq 70$  years
- no renal impairment
- rMCI 1-3
- performance status  $\geq 90\%$  (not related to MM)

#### MEL100-140 mg/m<sup>2</sup> if:

- age  $> 70$  years
- and/or renal impairment
- and/or rMCI 4-6
- and/or performance status  $< 90\%$  (not related to MM)

#### Dara-VMP

Dara-Rd  
VRd  
VCd  
VMP\*  
Rd\*



### INTERMEDIATE-FIT

Age 76-80 years  
or ADL  $\leq 4$   
or IADL  $\leq 5$   
or CCI  $\geq 2$

#### Reduced-intensity regimens

Weekly VMP  
Weekly VCd  
Vd  
Rd  
Rd-R  
vrd lite<sup>o</sup>



### FRAIL

Age  $> 80$  years regardless of ADL, IADL, CCI  
or Age 76-80 years and either ADL  $\leq 4$ , IADL  $\leq 5$ , CCI  $\geq 2$   
or Age  $\leq 75$  years and at least two of the following:  
ADL  $\leq 4$ , IADL  $\leq 5$ , CCI  $\geq 2$

#### Dose-adjusted regimens

rd<sup>o</sup>  
vd<sup>o</sup>

#### Palliation and supportive care

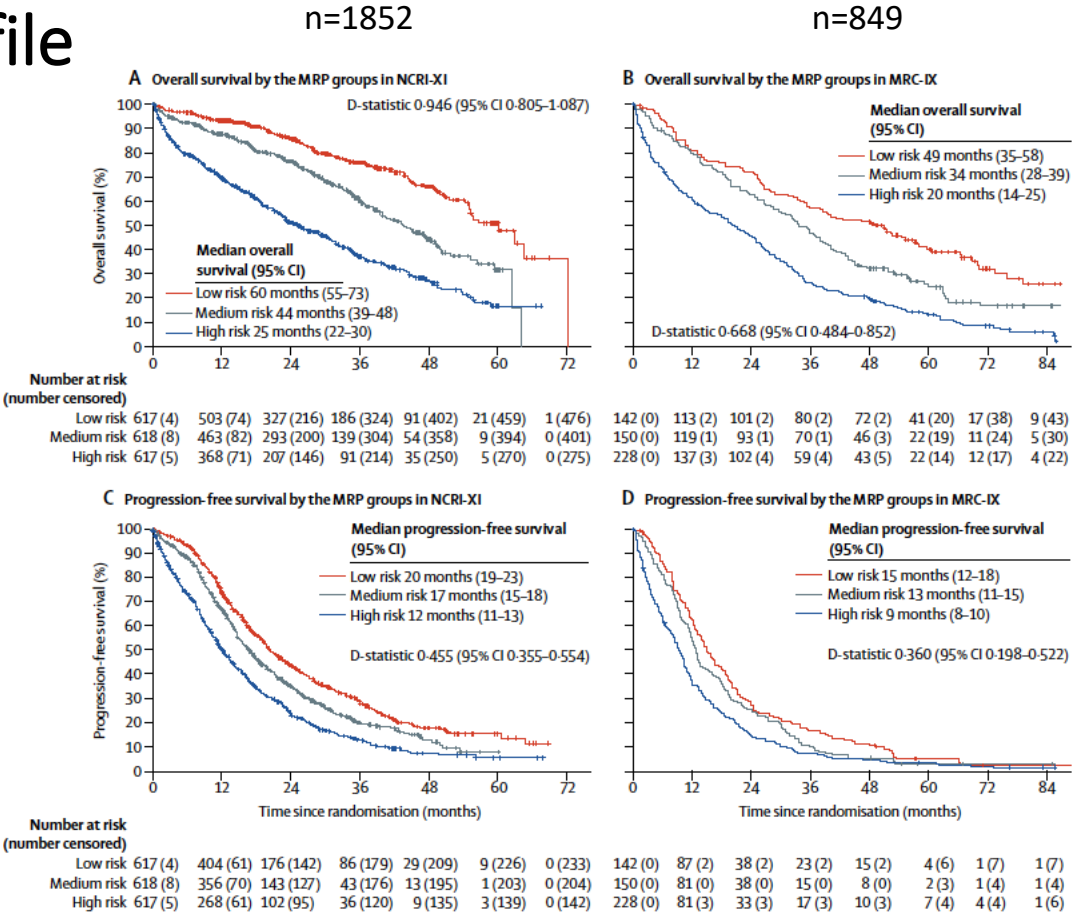


# UKMRA Myeloma Risk Profile (MRP)

A clinical prediction model for outcome and therapy delivery in transplant-ineligible patients with myeloma (UK Myeloma Research Alliance Risk Profile): a development and validation study

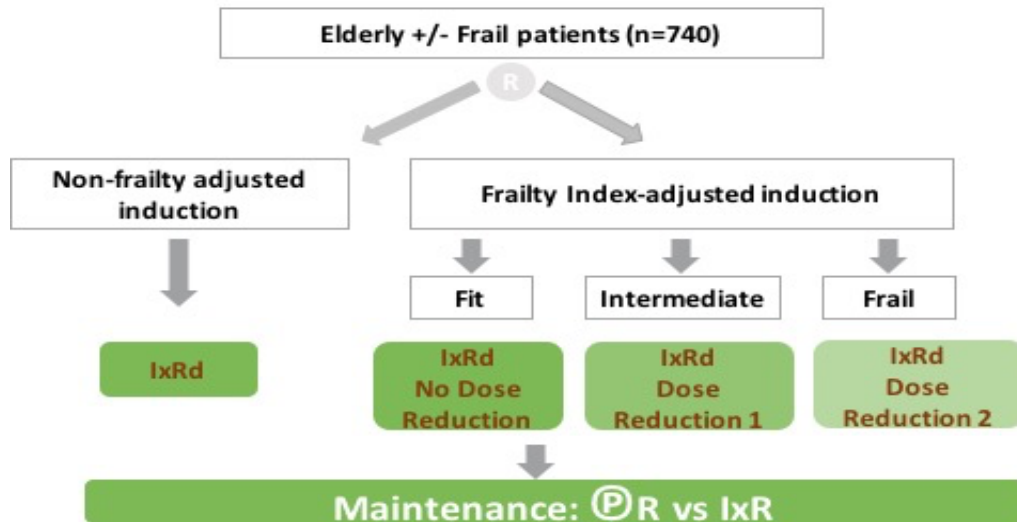
Gordon Cook, Kara-Louise Royle, Charlotte Pawlyn, Anna Hockaday, Vallari Shah, Martin F Kaiser, Sarah R Brown, Walter M Gregory, J Anthony Child, Faith E Davies, Gareth J Morgan, David A Cairns, Graham H Jackson

Variables	
WHO Performance Status	
Age	
ISS	
CRP	



# UKMRA Myeloma XIV *FITNEsS*

Frailty-adjusted therapy In Transplant Non-Eligible patients with Symptomatic myeloma



	Reactive	FIT	UNFIT	FRAIL
Lenalidomide	25mg D1-21	25mg D1-21	15mg D1-21	10mg D1-21
Ixazomib	4mg weekly	4mg weekly	4mg weekly	4mg weekly
Dexamethasone	20mg weekly	20mg weekly	10mg weekly	10mg weekly

PI: Prof Gordon Cook & Prof Graham Jackson

# Objectives

## *Clinical*

### Primary

The primary objectives are to compare:

- Impact of treatment dose delivery of frailty index adjusted up-front dose reductions vs standard up-front toxicity-dependent reactive dose-modifications during induction therapy, at randomisation 1 (R1).
- PFS of maintenance treatment with lenalidomide (R) vs lenalidomide and ixazomib (IR).

### Secondary

- ORR, sCR/CR rate
- Early mortality (<60 days), safety and tolerability
- MRD negativity rate
- Overall survival
- Impact of treatment interventions on outcomes in molecular high-risk disease
- Assess the utility of the UKMRA MRP

## *Exploratory*

### Patient Reported Outcomes

- Patients will be asked to complete:
  - EORTC QLQ-C30
  - myeloma specific module, EORTC QLQ-MY20, at key time points.

### Frailty Biomarker Discovery

- Cellular senescence and DNA damage markers
  - Immune component quantification
  - Proteomics: SASP, IL-6 (CRP), TNF $\alpha$ , IL-1R $\alpha$ , sVCAM
  - DNA damage: Telomere length, p16<sup>INK4a</sup>,
- Immuno-genomic & Inheritable variance in expressed genes (SNPs) biomarker discovery
- Imaging biomarkers

### Tumour Genome

- MLPA, GWAS, mutational analysis

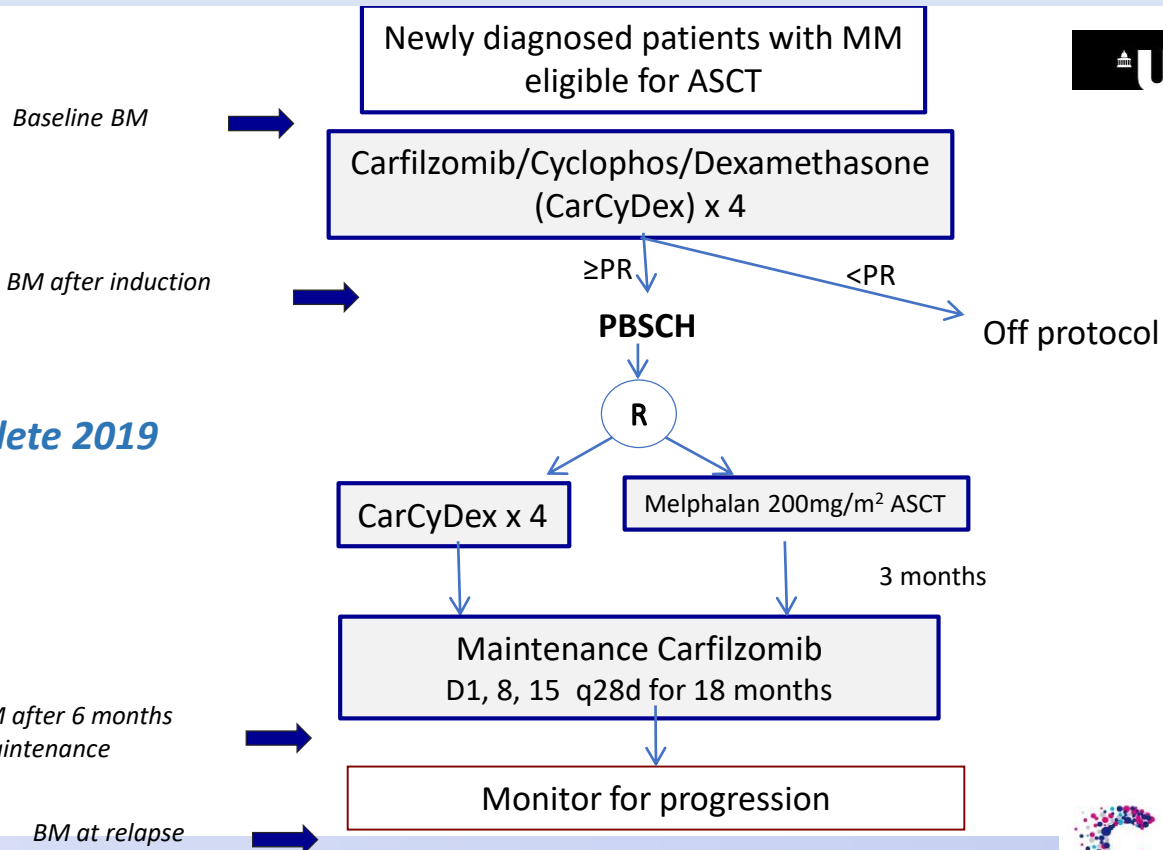
### MRD

- NGF vs NGS

***Early or late ASCT – who needs upfront ASCT?***

# CARDAMON: Carfilzomib/Cyclophosphamide/Dexamethasone with maintenance carfilzomib in untreated transplant-eligible patients with symptomatic MM to evaluate the benefit of upfront ASCT

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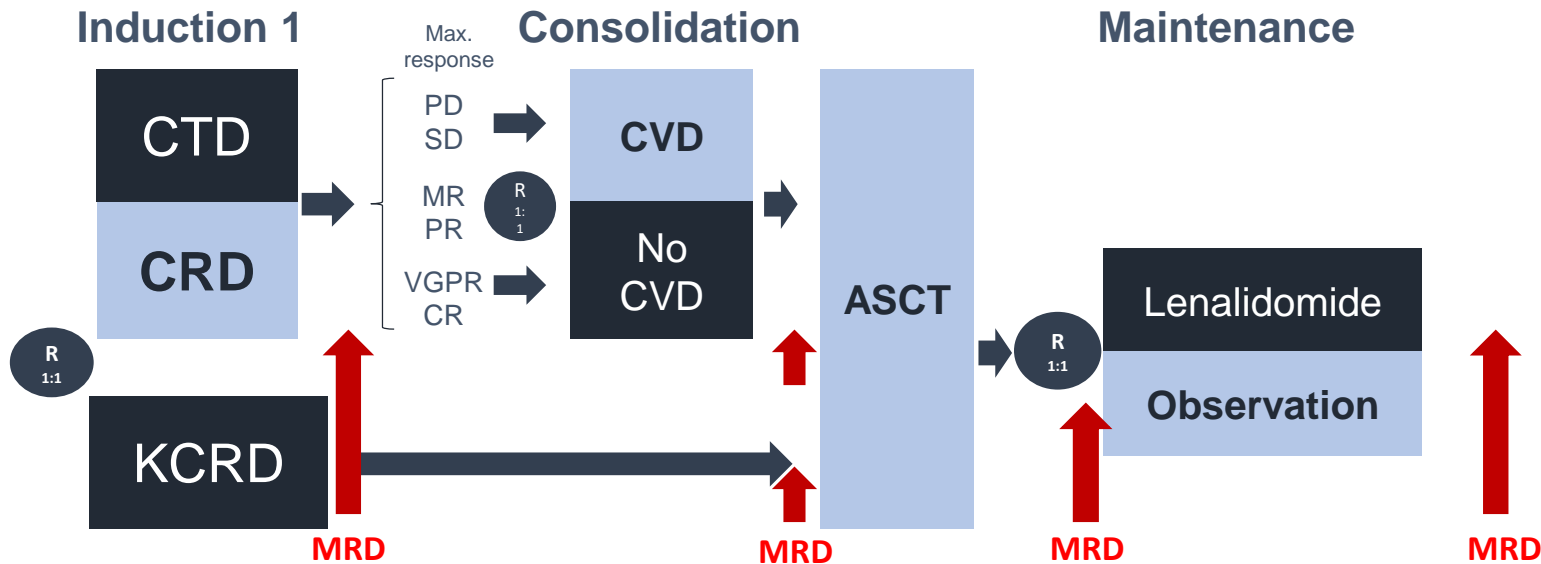
Recruitment complete 2019



# Stratifying according to risk factors in younger patients

- *Genetic risk?*
- *Response to therapy?*

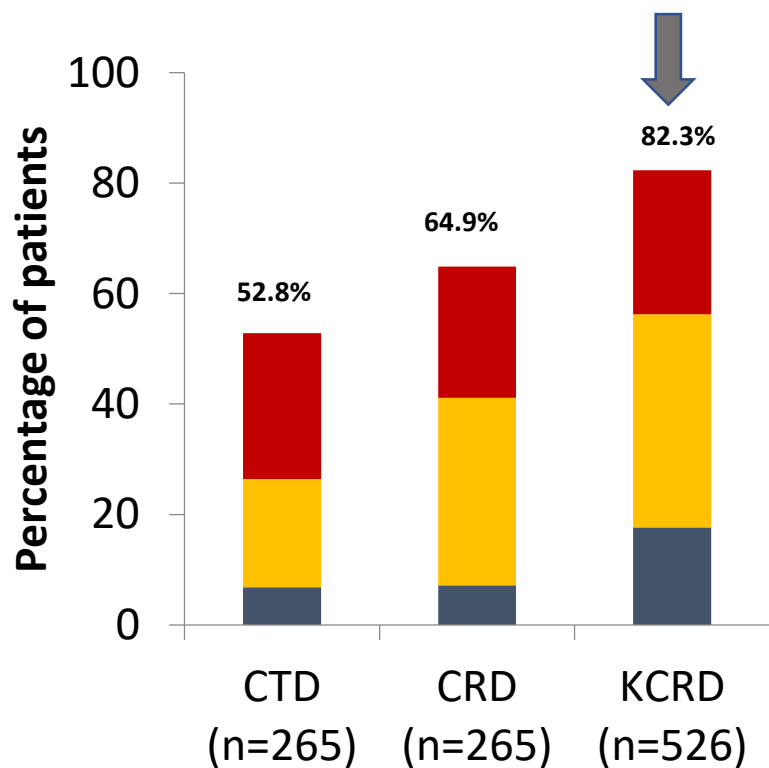
# Myeloma XI – TE pathway



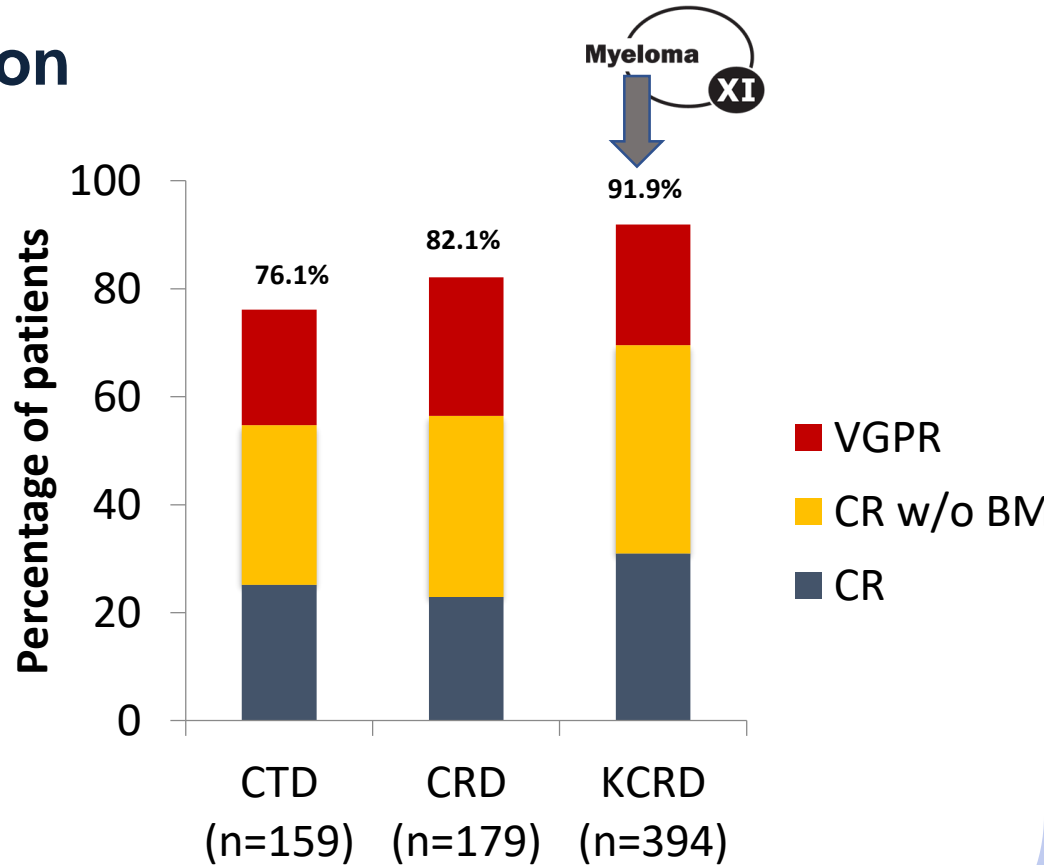
- Primary endpoints: PFS and OS for each randomization
- Median follow up 34.5 months
- Data cut off for this analysis 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and includes contemporaneously randomized patients only



# Response to initial induction



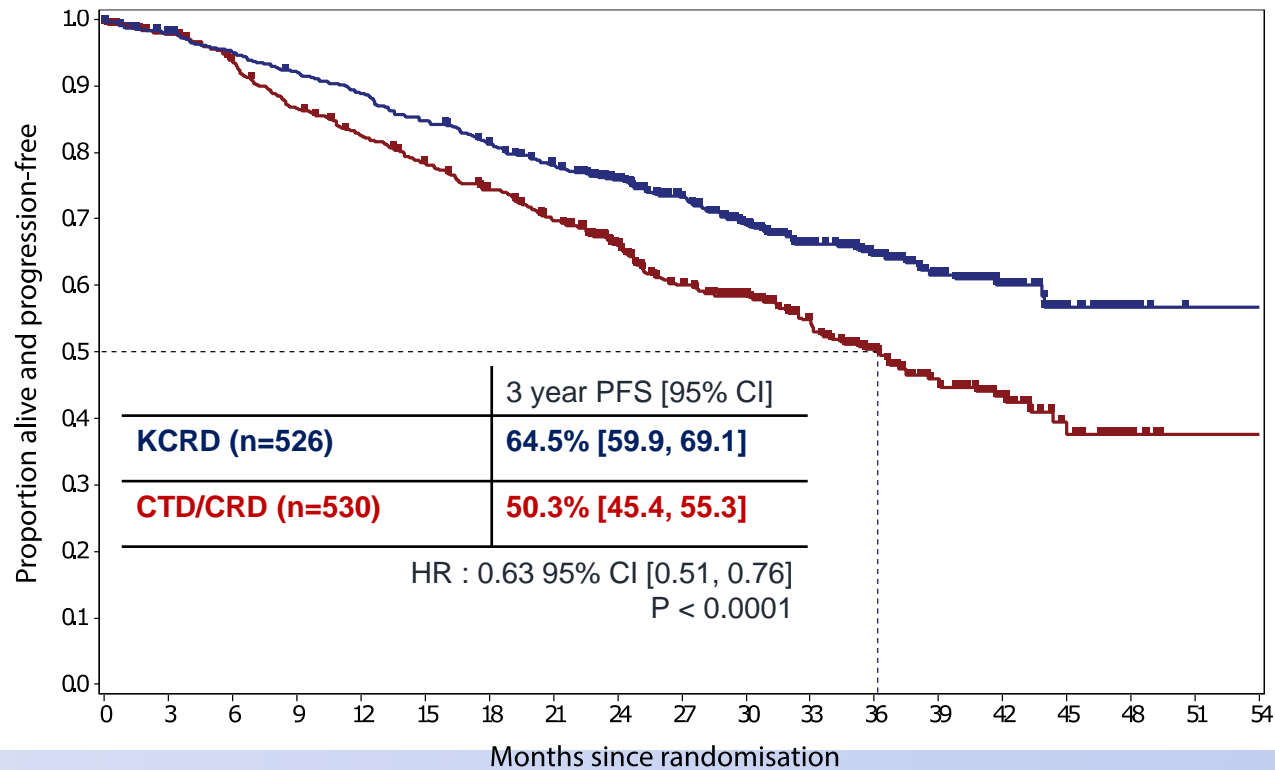
Post-induction



Post-ASCT



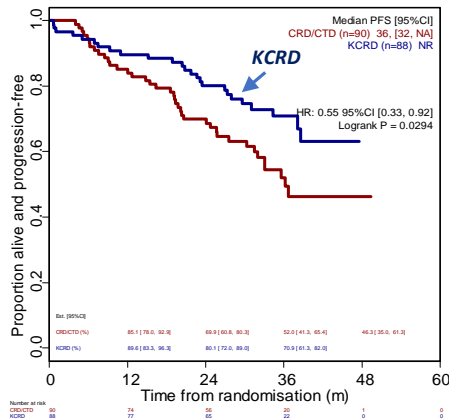
# Progression-free survival



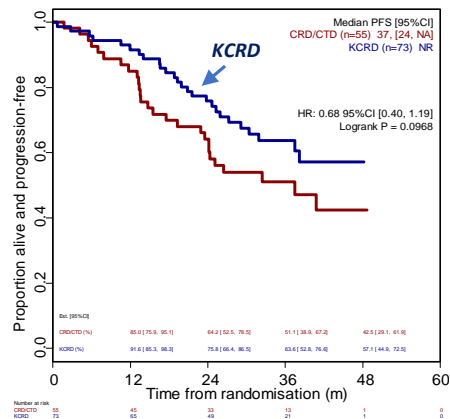
# Progression-free survival by risk

KCRD improved PFS compared to triplets in all risk groups

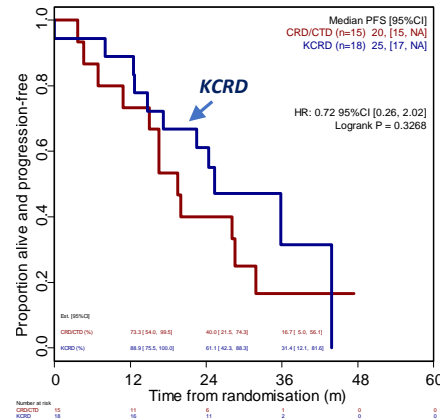
Standard risk: HR 0.55



High risk: HR 0.68



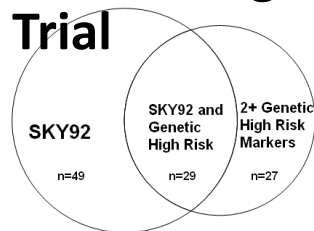
Ultra-high risk: HR 0.72



- Standard risk (SR) - absence of any high risk lesions.
- High risk (HiR) - presence of any one of t(4;14), t(14;16), t(14;20), del(17p), or gain(1q).
- Ultra-high risk (UHiR) - presence of more than one lesion.

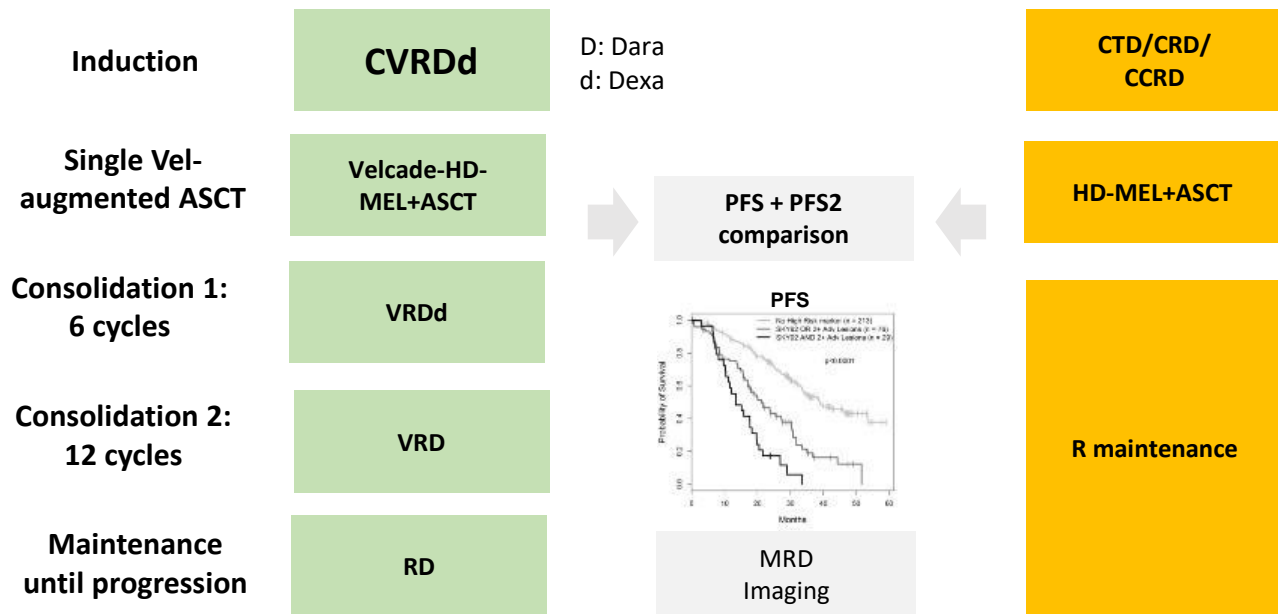
# Stratifying treatment according to risk: MUK9b: OPTIMUM Trial

CI: Dr Martin Kaiser & Dr Matt Jenner



620 patients  
Central screening at ICR

Molecularly & clinically matched  
High Risk group Myeloma XI/XI+



# Objectives

## *Primary*

To assess whether molecular risk-defining investigations can be turned around within 8 weeks

## *Secondary*

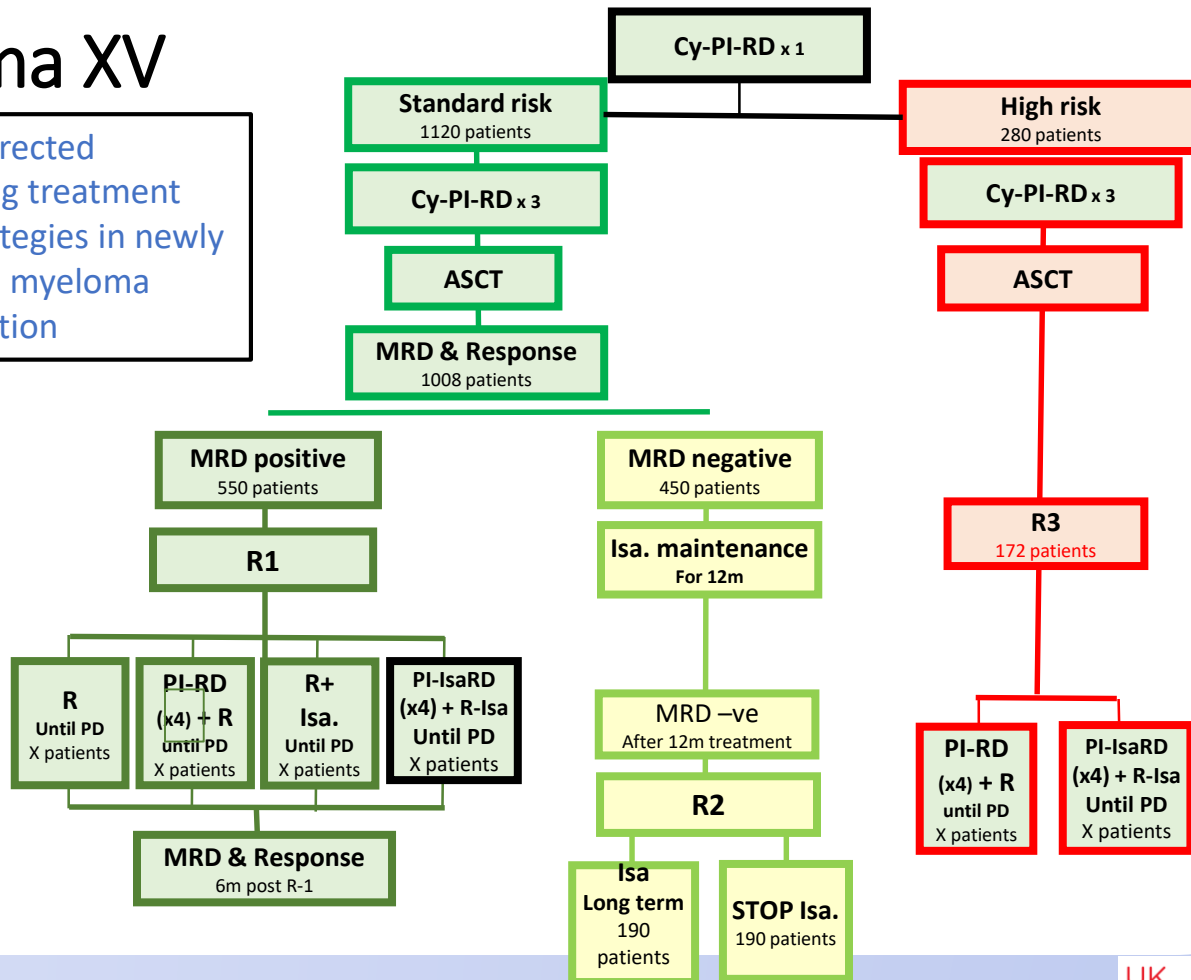
### **In a real world front line therapy setting**

1. To assess the feasibility of a phase III trial in this setting in terms of recruitment rates.
2. To summarise progression-free survival, second progression-free survival (PFS2) and overall survival in this setting
3. To summarise anti-myeloma treatment received first and second-line in this setting, including reasons for stopping treatment
4. To summarise response to anti-myeloma treatment received first and second-line in this setting

# UKMRA Myeloma XV

**RADAR:** Risk Adapted therapy Directed According to Response comparing treatment escalation and de-escalation strategies in newly diagnosed patients with multiple myeloma suitable for stem cell transplantation

PIs: Kwee Yong, Mark Cook



# Myeloma XV (RADAR): Primary endpoints

## Standard risk patients

- MRD positive patients: **Conversion of MRD positive to MRD negative disease**, comparing activity and efficacy of post-ASCT consolidation + maintenance strategies using lenalidomide vs lenalidomide-PI +/- **isatuximab**
- MRD negative patients: **Progression-free survival**, comparing continuous isatuximab treatment with **ceasing isatuximab after 12 months** (non-inferiority)

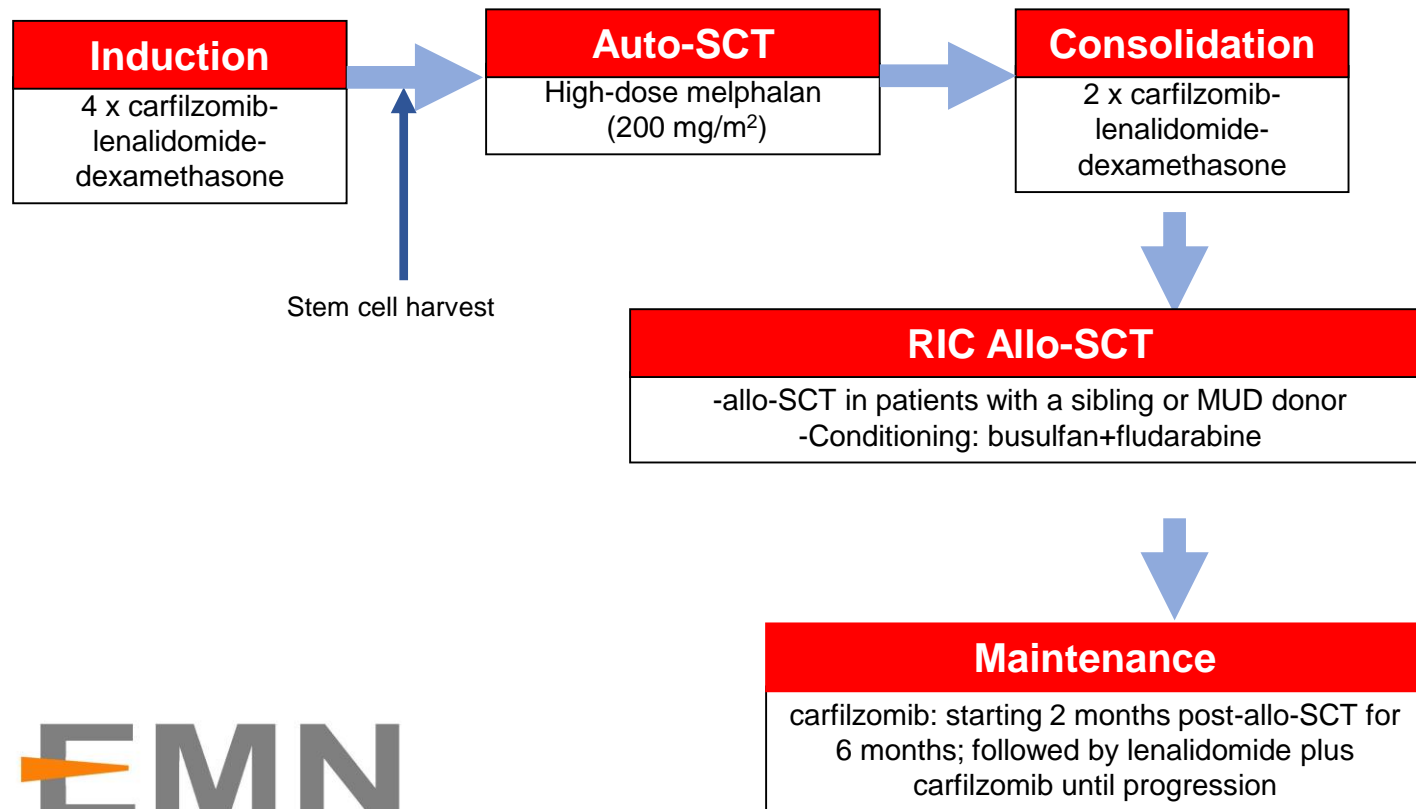
## High risk patients

- **Progression-free survival**, evaluating the benefit of adding **isatuximab** to lenalidomide-PI in post-ASCT consolidation + maintenance

# Trials in special patient groups

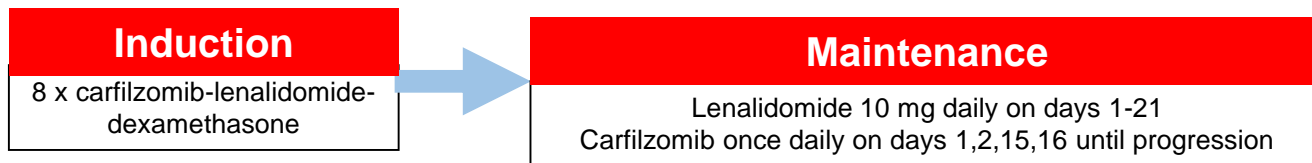


# EMN12 Phase 2 study in primary plasma cell leukemia: Younger patients



## EMN12: Elderly patients: $\geq 65$ years

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# Trials in relapsed patients:

*What are the important questions, what are our aims?*

- What is the best regimen?
- Should we stratify? – if so, how?
- How do we get our patients access to the newest compounds?
- What is the place of the new immuno-therapies?
- What is the role of next generation drugs?
  - do patients failing one CD38 antibody respond to re-challenge?
  - What about IMiDs? Do patients failing Pomalidomide response to Ixeromide?
- - Is there a role for CAR-T cell therapy?

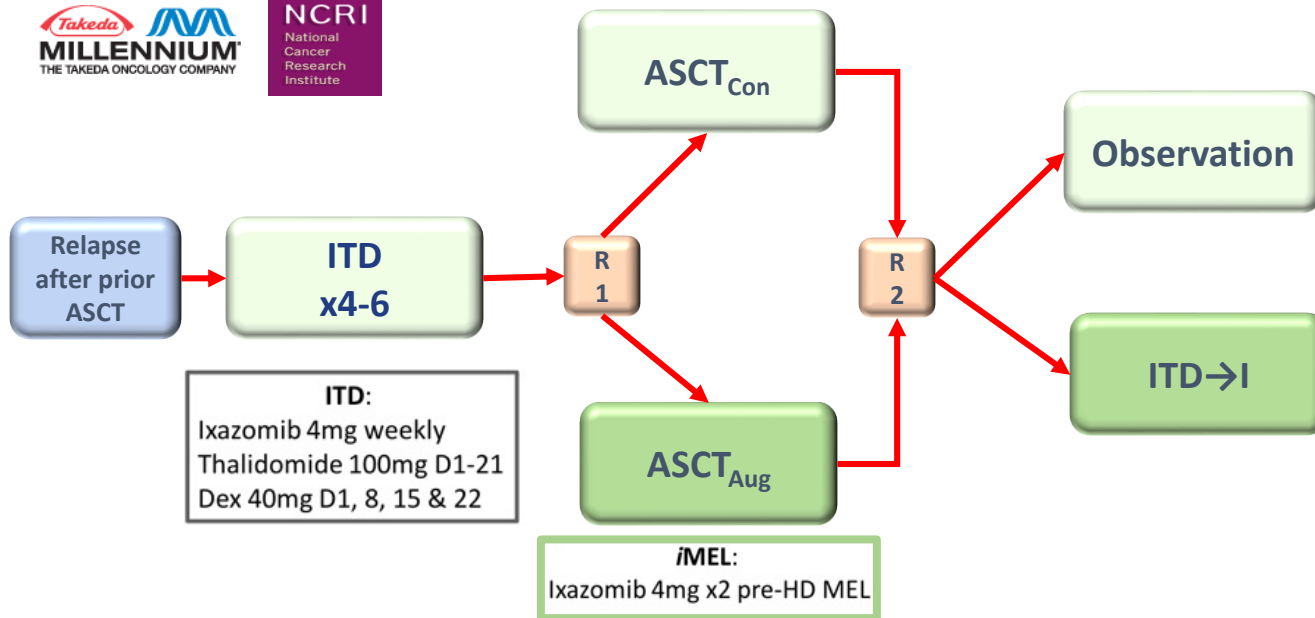
# How to optimise treatment of patients eligible for second (salvage) ASCT?

# ACCoRD

UK Myeloma Research Alliance Myeloma XII

CI: Prof Gordon Cook

## Augmented Conditioning & Consolidation in Relapsed Disease



Total Recruitment Target: **406** first relapse patients

# Objectives

## *Primary*

### **R1**

- Depth of Response (DoR: <VGPR vs. ≥VGPR) with augmented ASCT

### **R2**

- The influence of a consolidation and maintenance strategy on the Durability of Response (DuR: PFS)

## *Secondary*

### **R1 & R2**

- Overall survival
- Time to disease progression
- The overall response rate following ixazomib, thalidomide and dexamethasone (ITD) re-induction
- Duration of Response (DoR), Time to next treatment (TtNT) & Progression-free survival 2 (PFS2)
- MRD<sup>negative</sup> rate post re-induction, post-ASCT and conversion after ITD consolidation
- Engraftment kinetics
- Toxicity, safety & Quality of life (QoL)

# Key Study Inclusion & Exclusion Criteria

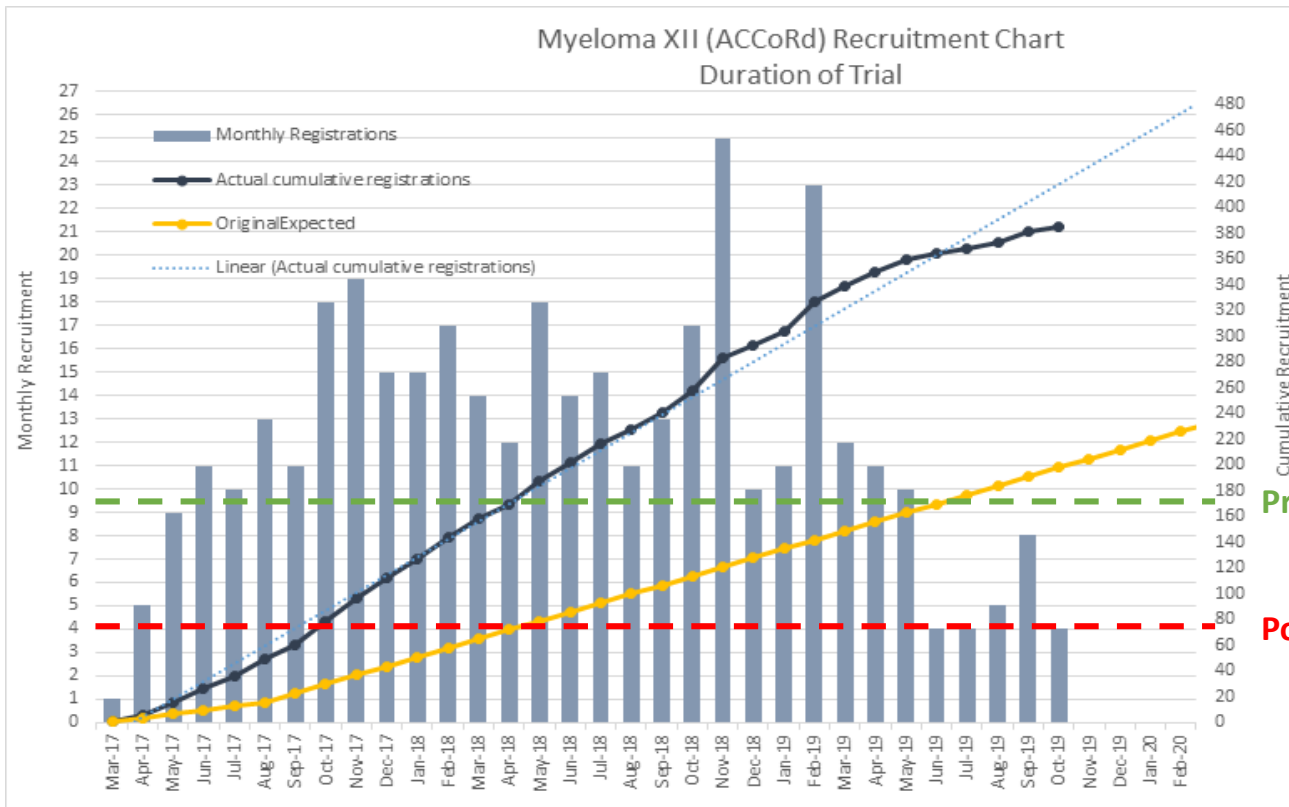
## Inclusion criteria

- Diagnosed with relapsed MM previously treated with ASCT with 1<sup>st</sup> progression requiring treatment >12 months from ASCT .
- ECOG Performance Status 0-2.
- Aged at least 18 years.
- Adequate haematological function:
  - *Absolute neutrophil count (ANC)  $\geq 1 \times 10^9/L$*
  - *Platelet count  $\geq 75 \times 10^9/L$ . If the participant has  $\geq 50\%$  bone marrow infiltration a platelet count of  $\geq 50 \times 10^9/L$  is allowed.*
- Adequate renal function (Creatinine clearance  $\geq 30\text{ml/min}$ )
- Adequate hepatobiliary function
- Adequate pulmonary function (KCO/DLCO  $\geq 50\%$ ).
- Adequate cardiac function (LVEF  $\geq 40\%$ )
- Able to provide written informed consent.

## Exclusion criteria

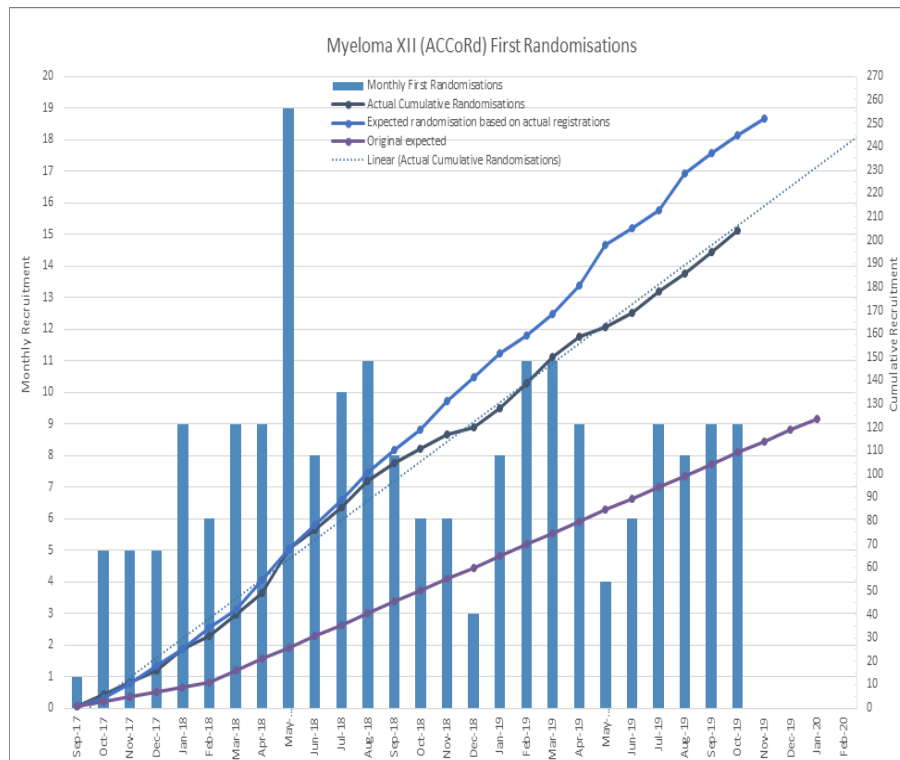
- Received prior second line therapy for their relapsed disease
- $\geq$ Grade 2 peripheral neuropathy
- Known HIV or Hepatitis B/C seropositivity.
- Known resistance, intolerance or sensitivity to any component of the planned therapies.
- Any medical or psychiatric condition which, contraindicates the participant's participation in this study.
- Previous or concurrent malignancies at other sites
- Pregnant, lactating or breast feeding female participants.
- Central nervous system involvement with myeloma.
- Patients that have previously been treated with ixazomib

# Recruitment

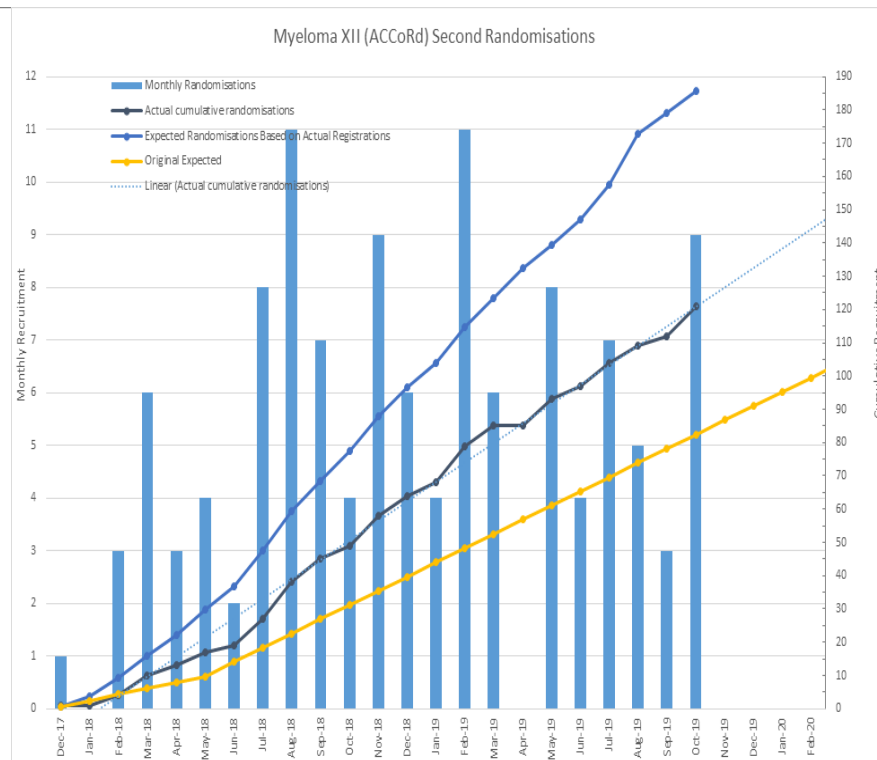




# Randomization progress



**R1**

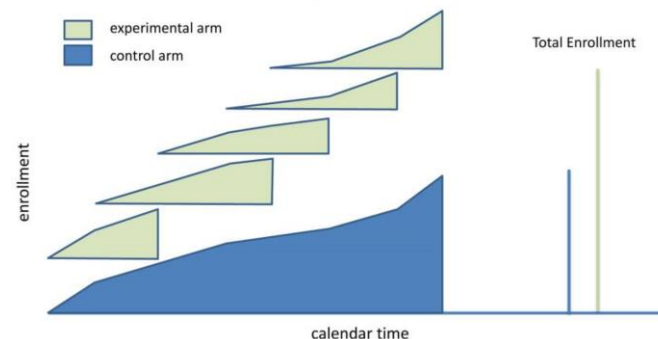
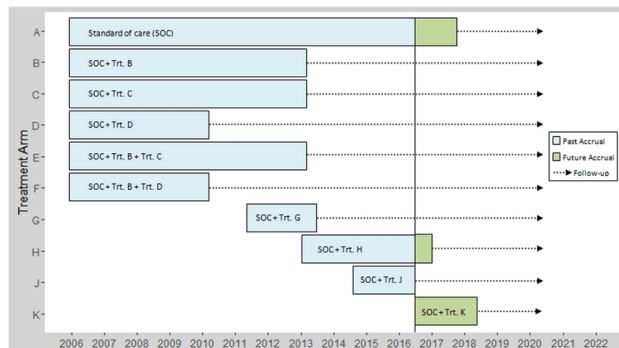
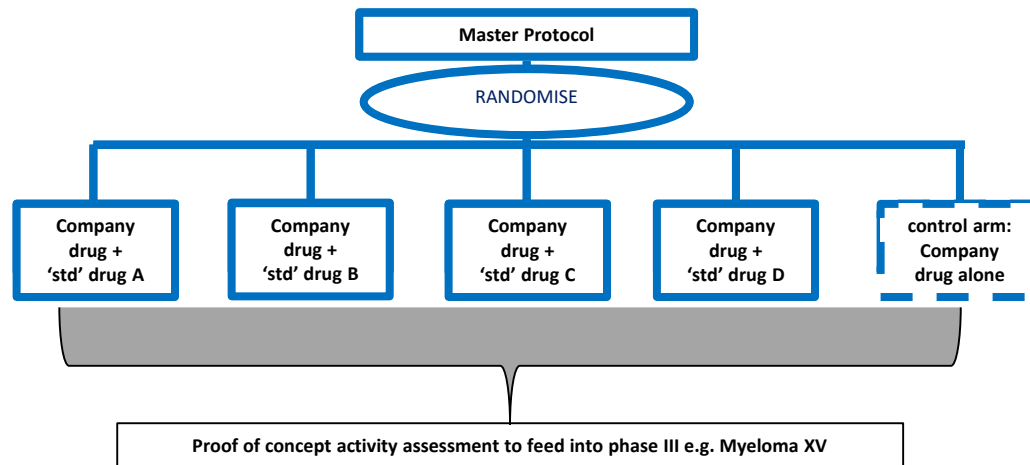


**R2**

# Upcoming studies with new (pipeline) agents, innovative trial designs

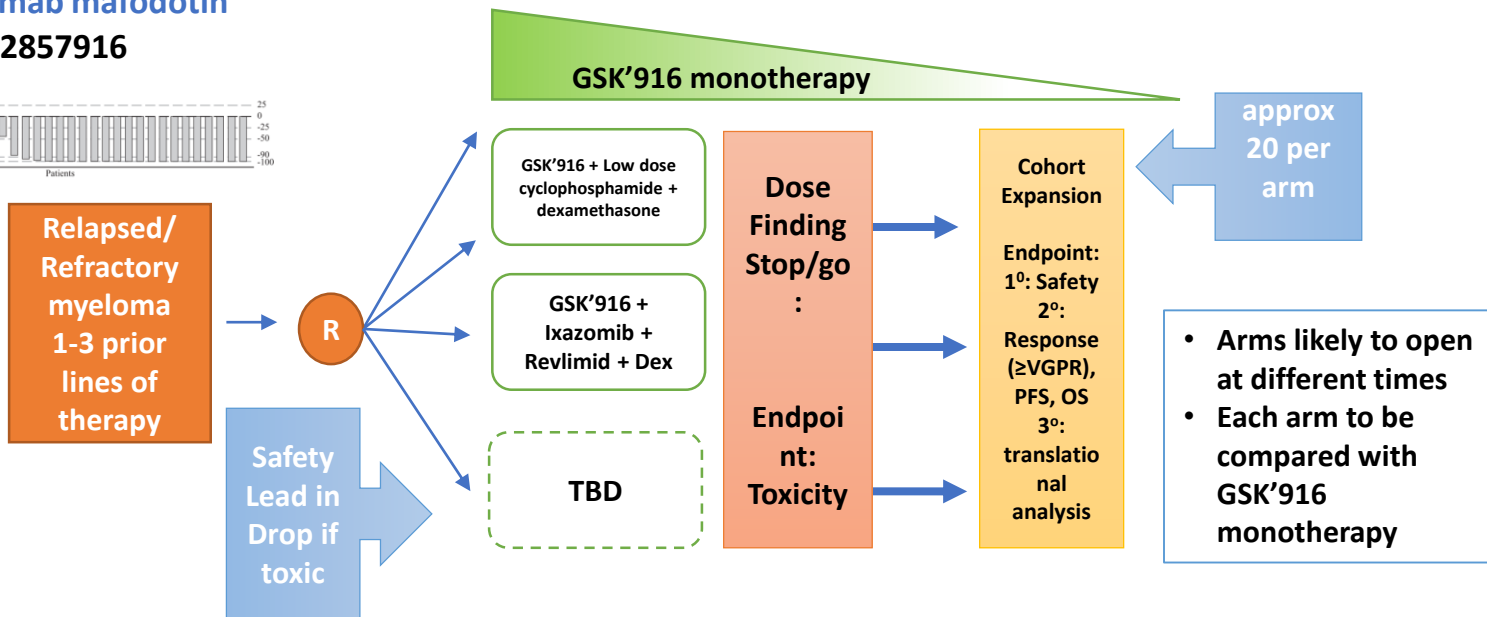
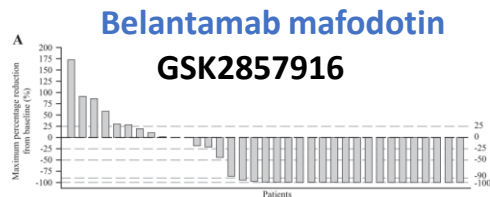
- Platform studies with one pharma agent in several different combinations
- Innovative strategy in special patient group
  - EMN study in Primary Plasma Cell Leukemia
- ENCOMPASS study covering several aspects of supportive care

# Platform studies with Single industry partner



# ProMMise (CARP 2019/001)

A Platform trial for Relapsed patients to evaluate Ongoing novel therapies in Multiple Myeloma In combination with Standard of care therapies



**CI: Dr Rakesh Popat**

# Biomarker studies

Biomarker	Studies	PI
<b>Tumour genome</b>	Myeloma XI, Myeloma XIV, MUK7, MUK8, MUK9, MUK11	Martin Kaiser, ICR, London
<b>MRD (MFC, NGS)</b>	Myeloma X, Myeloma XI, Myeloma XII, Myeloma XIV, Myeloma XV, MUK9	Roger Owen, HMDS, Leeds
<b>Immune Biomarkers</b>	Myeloma X, Myeloma XII, Myeloma XIV, MUK8, MUK11	Gordon Cook, University of Leeds
<b>Frailty Biomarkers</b>	Myeloma XIV, MUK8	Gordon Cook, University of Leeds
<b>Marrow environment immune profiling</b>	Myeloma XV	Kwee Yong, UCL, London
Imaging	Studies	PI
<b>DW MRI</b>	MUK9	Martin Kaiser, ICR, London

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