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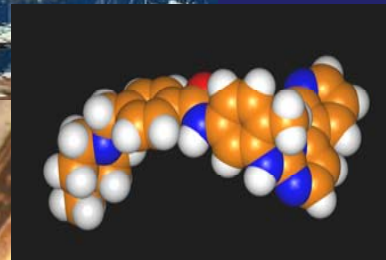
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## The management of CML: current treatment paradigms and future perspectives

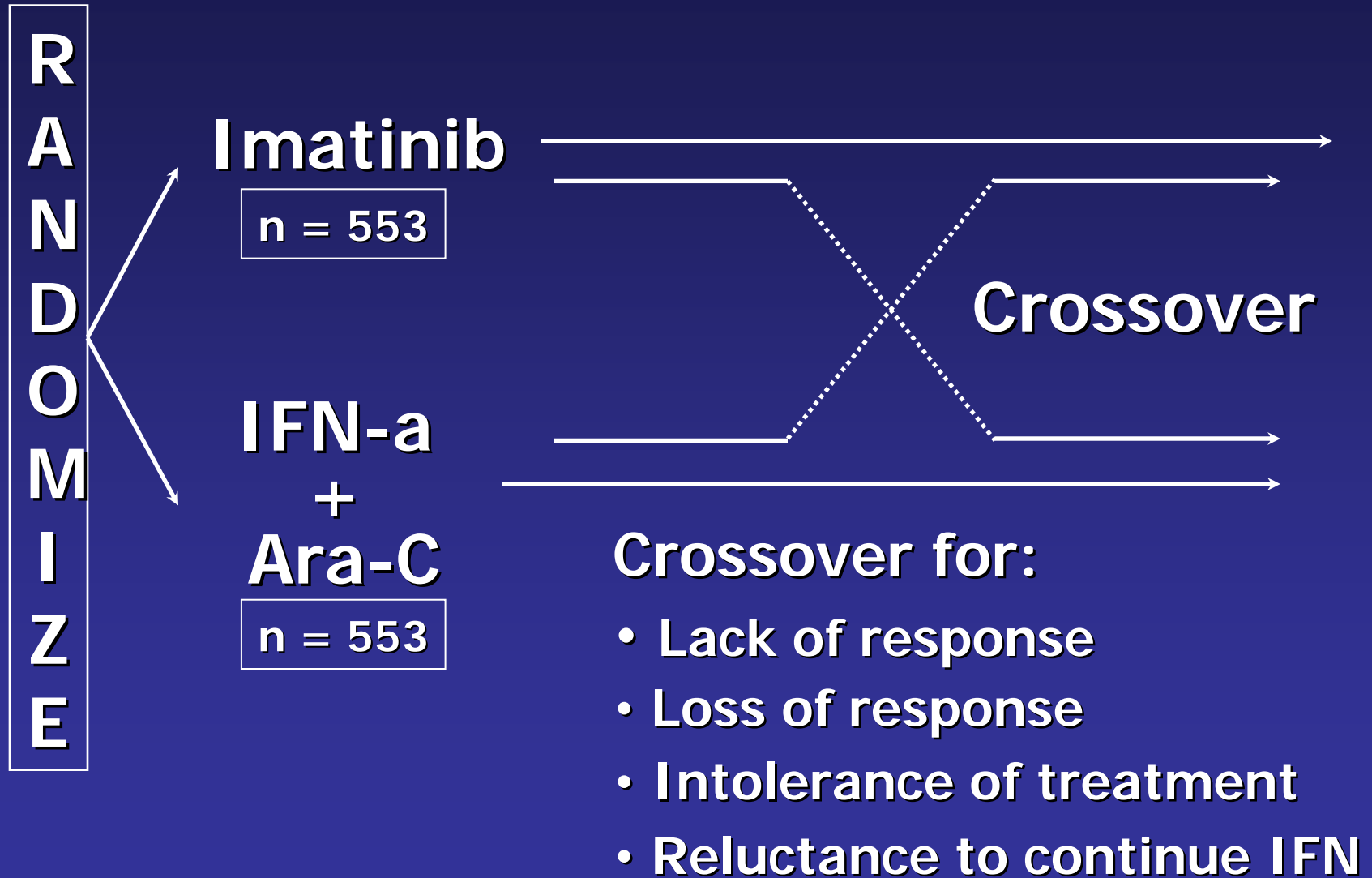
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First line treatment of CML with Imatinib:  
the IRIS trial and the GIMEMA trials

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# IRIS Protocol: Study Design

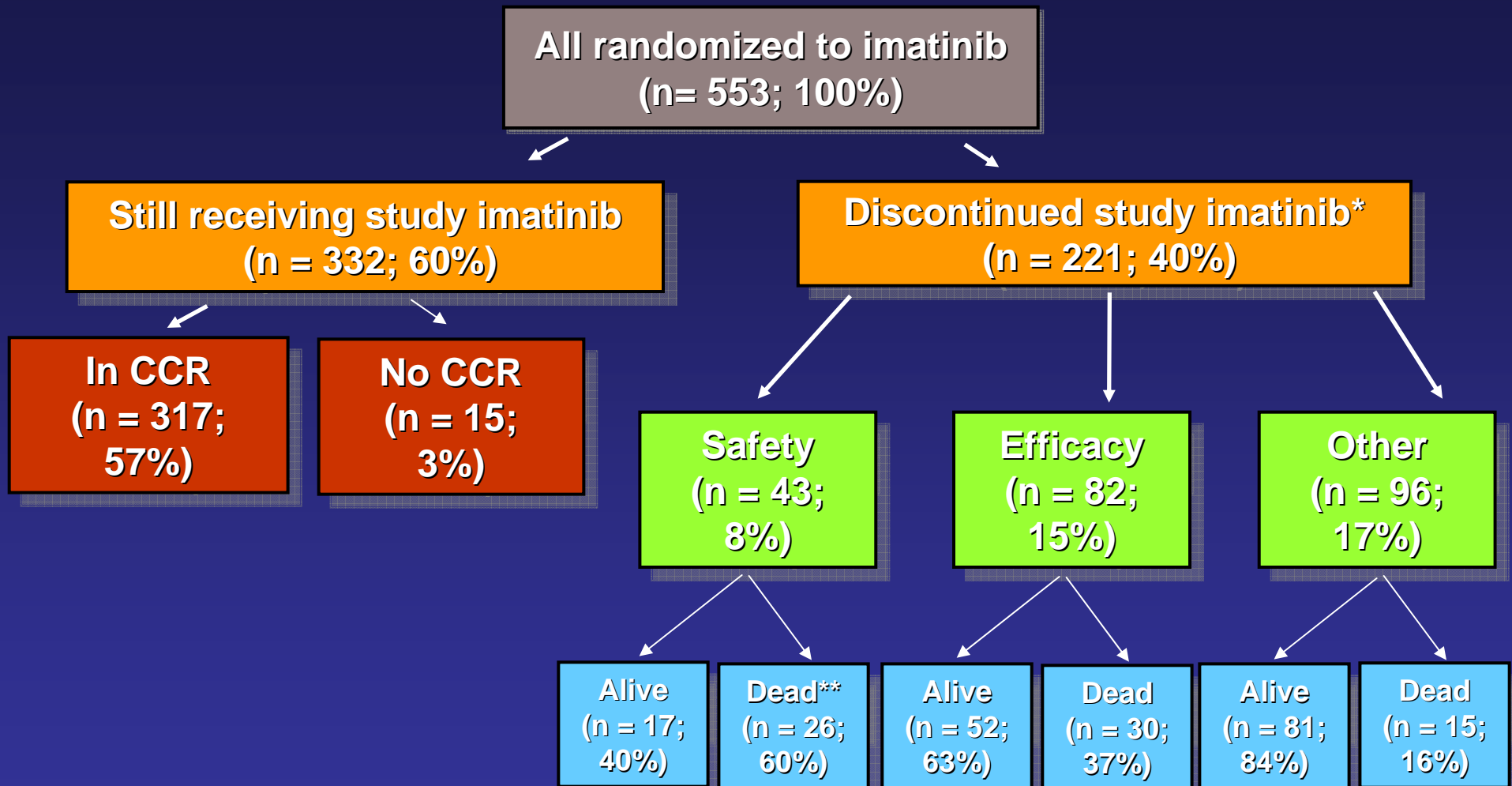


# IRIS 7 Year Update: Main Points

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- What happened to all the patients?
  - Discontinuation
  - Survival
- Late progression events
- Durability of complete cytogenetic response (CCR)
  - Is CCR a ‘safe haven’?
- PCR data
- Adverse Events
- Conclusions

# What Happened To The Patients After 7 Years?



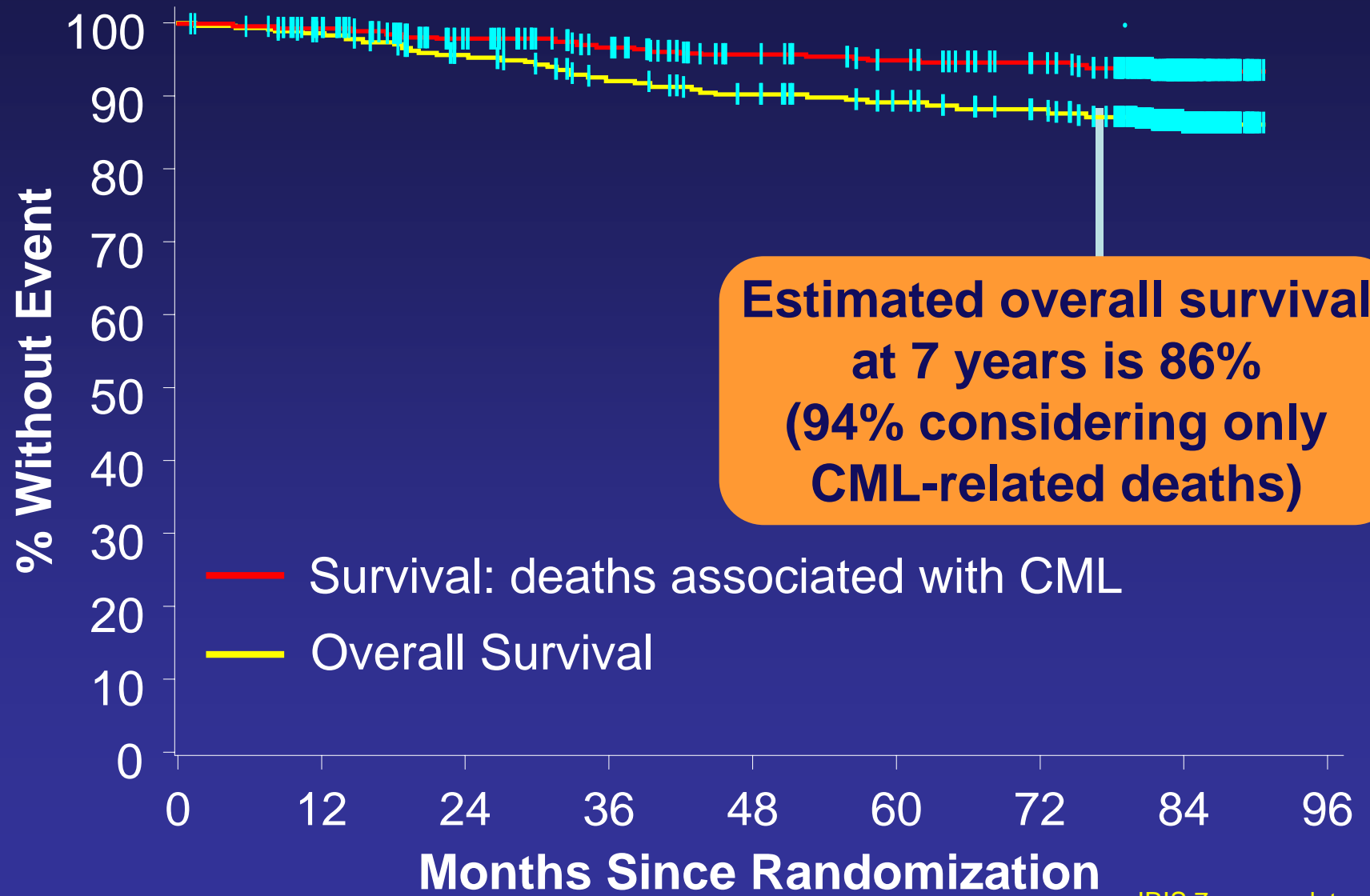
\*\*Including primary discontinuation reason 'Death' (n=13)

\*Patients may have continued imatinib off study.

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# Overall Survival (ITT Principle): Imatinib Arm



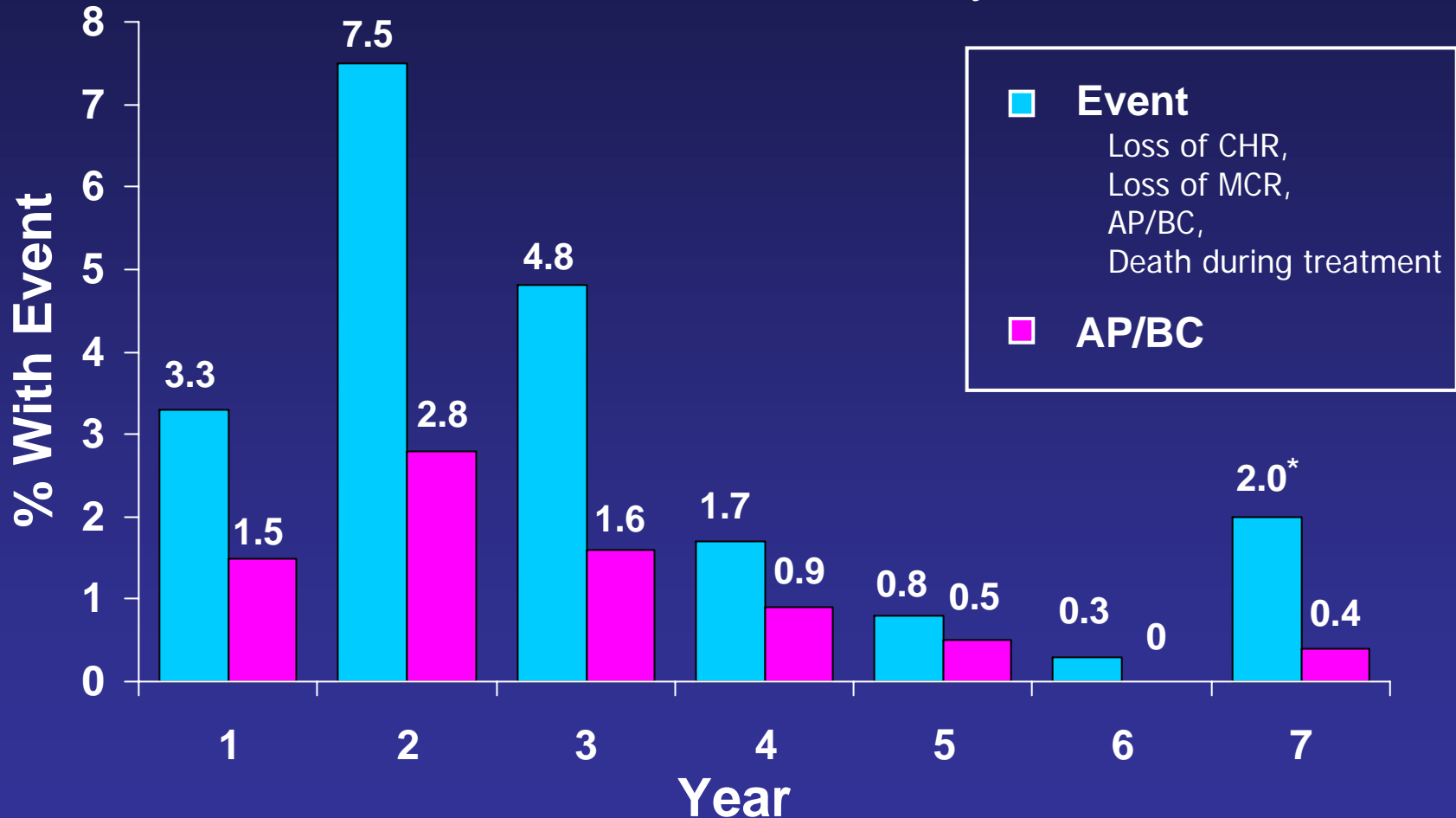
**Estimated overall survival at 7 years is 86% (94% considering only CML-related deaths)**

— Survival: deaths associated with CML  
— Overall Survival

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# Annual Event Rates: Imatinib Arm

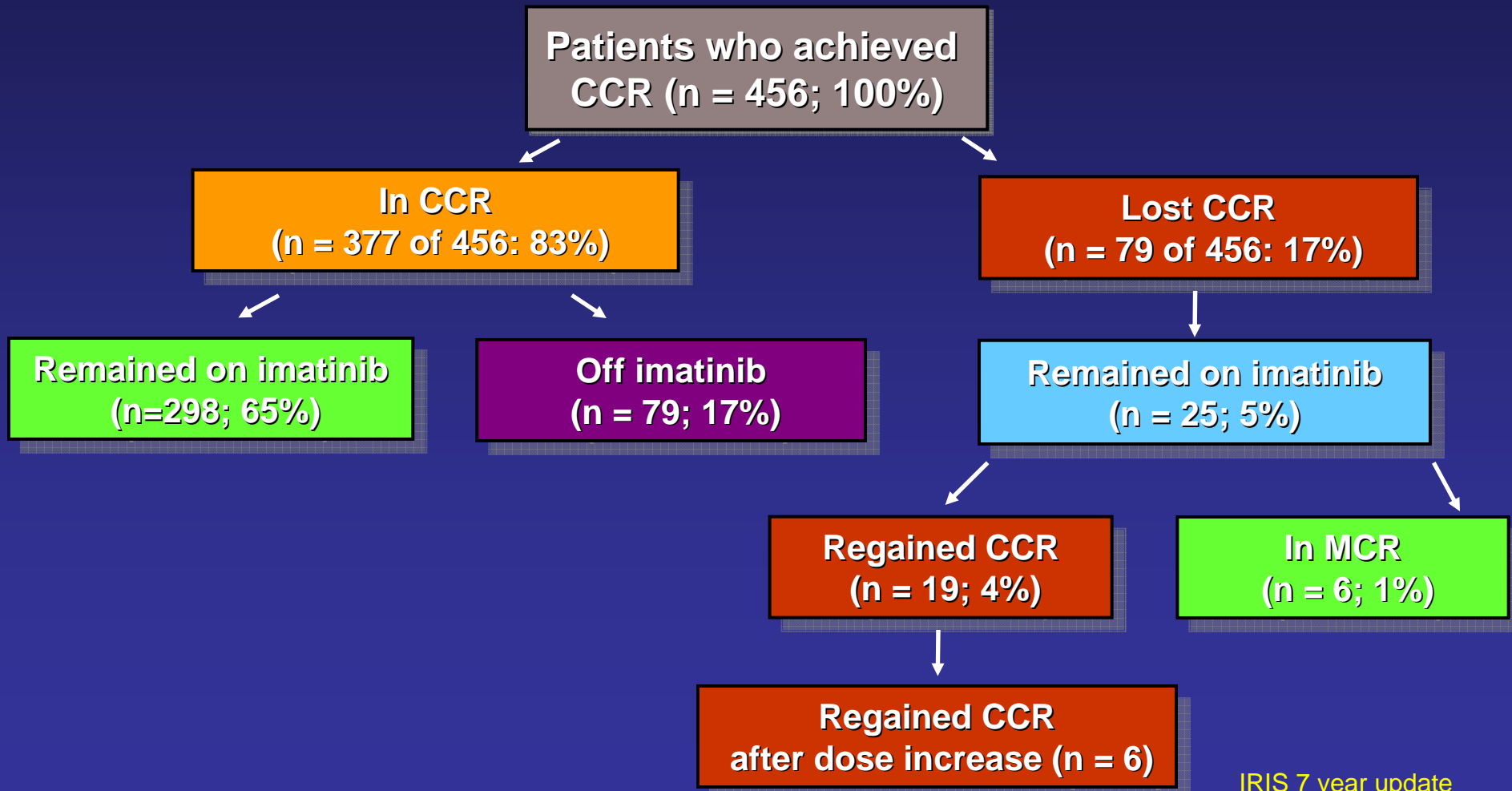
- KM estimated EFS at 7 years = 81%
- KM estimated rate without AP/BC at 7 years = 93%



\*Total events (n=5) including loss of MCR (n=3) and deaths (n=2, one of which was coded as progression to AP/BC in a patient in CMR 6 months prior to death).

# Durability of Cytogenetic Response

- 456 of 553 (82%) of first-line imatinib patients achieved CCR
- 317 (57%) patients randomized to imatinib remained on protocol and were in complete cytogenetic response (CCR)

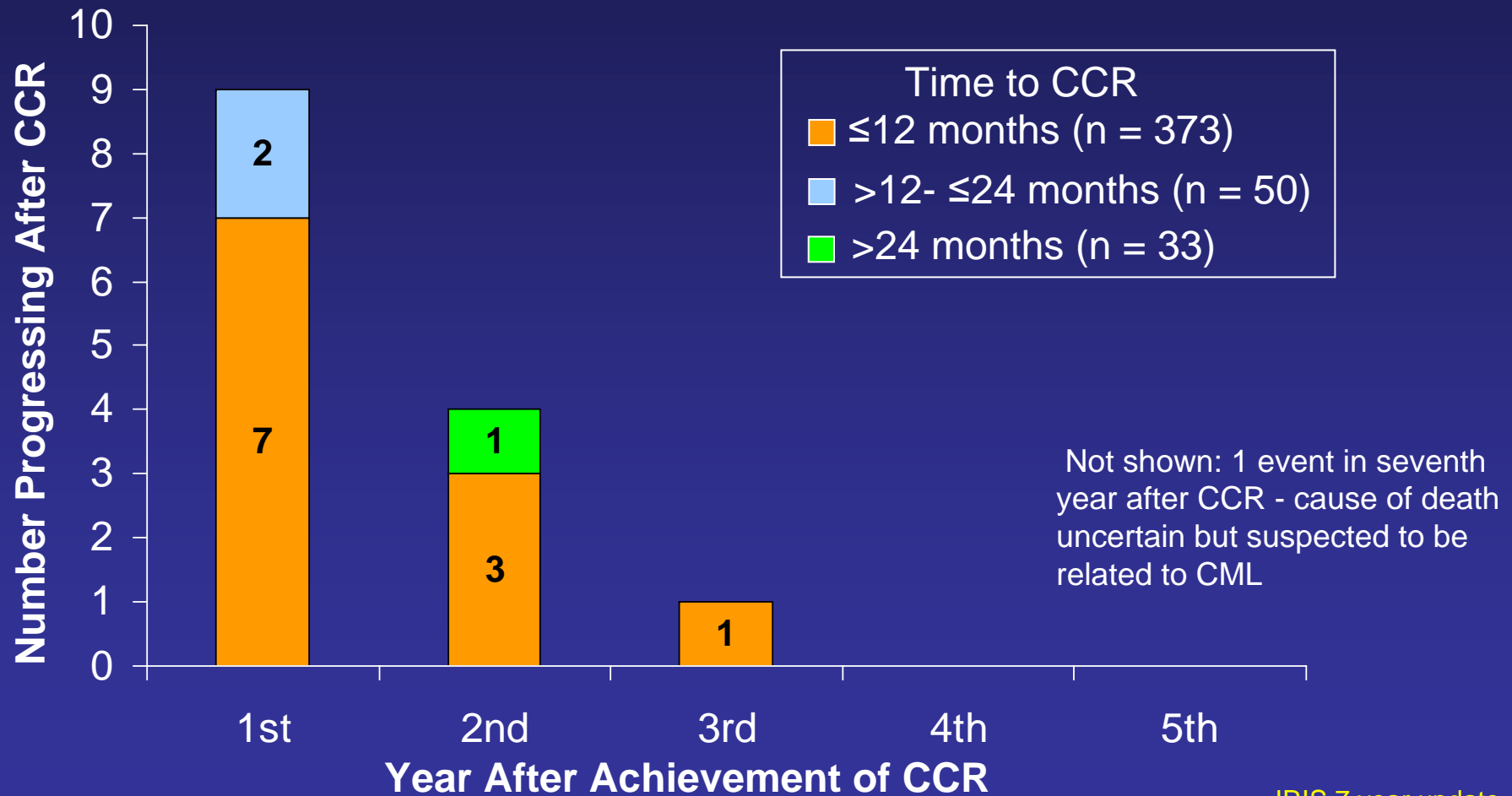


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# Rates of Progression in Patients After CCR

- Progression to AP/BC occurred in 15 (3%) of the 456 patients who had achieved a CCR
- Of 456 patients who achieved CCR, 10 (2%) died from CML

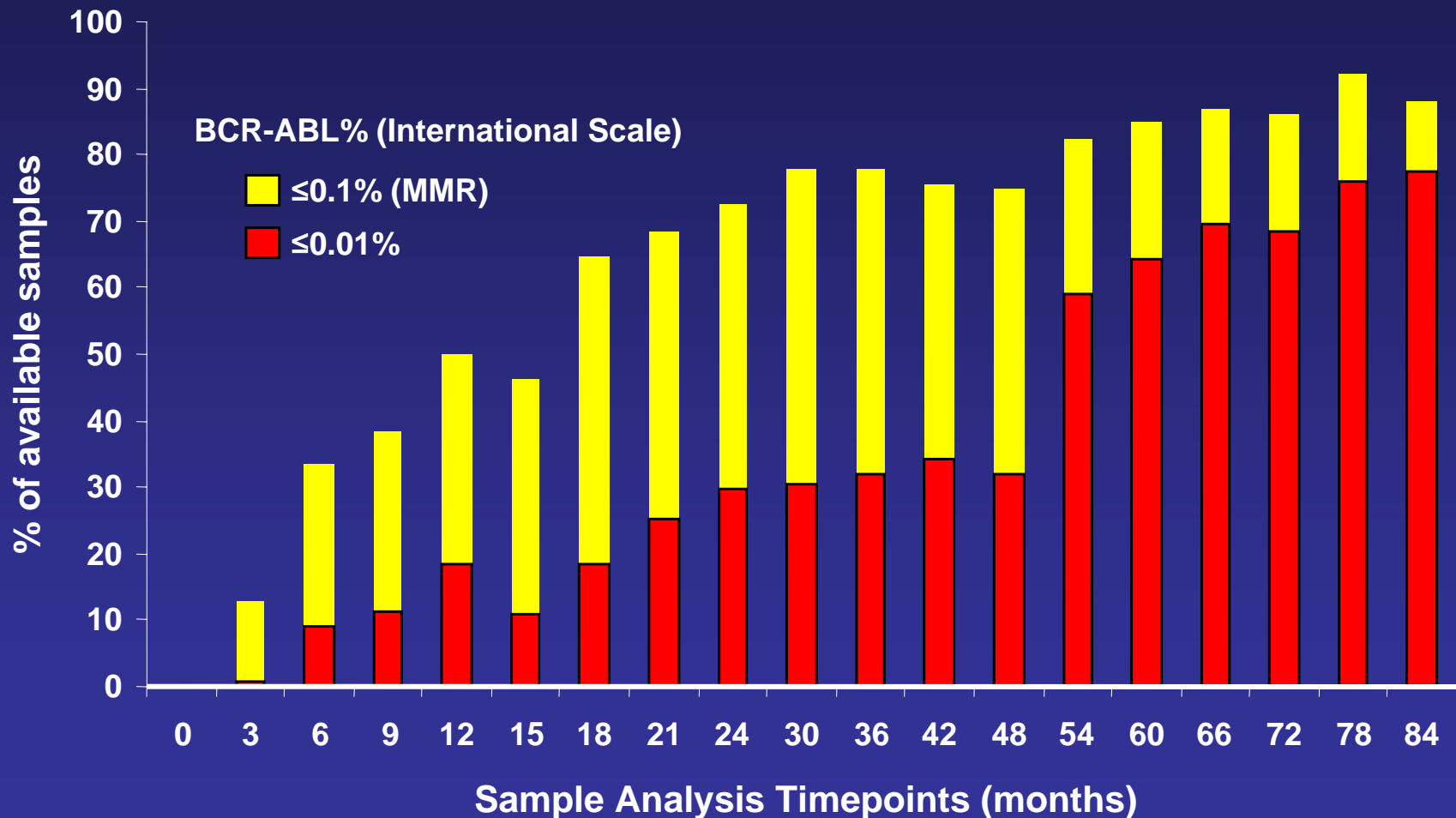


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# Molecular Response Rates

- Major molecular response (MMR) and the depth of molecular response increase over time



See abstract 334 for complete data

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## IRIS SAEs in Years 6 and 7

- No unique, previously unreported AEs attributed to imatinib observed over the past 24 months
- In years 6 and 7, 13 SAEs with suspected relationship to imatinib were reported:
  - Congestive Heart Failure (n=3): all of the patients had pre-existing cardiac disease prior to study entry
  - Second malignancy (n=3)\*
  - Myositis (n=1); elevated CK (n=1); multiple sclerosis (n=1)
  - Pancreatitis (n=1); vomiting (n=1)
  - Renal failure (n=1)
  - Dermatitis (n=1)

\*With >400,000 patient years of estimated imatinib exposure, the analysis of clinical safety data from clinical trials and spontaneous reports did not provide evidence for an increased incidence of malignancies for patients treated with imatinib compared to that of the general population

# IRIS 7-Year Update: Conclusions

- Overall Survival 86%
- Event Free Survival 81%; 7% progressed to AP/BC on imatinib
- 40% patients discontinued *study* imatinib
- CCR achieved by 456 of 553 (82%) of patients
  - 17% of those achieving CCR subsequently lost CCR
  - 3% of those achieving CCR progressed to AP/BC
  - Of 456 patients who achieved CCR, 10 (2%) died from CML
  - Time taken to achieve CCR did not correlate with rates of progression to AP/BC
- MMR rates and the depth of molecular responses in patients increase over time
- No new safety issues observed
- Imatinib 400 mg daily confirmed as the standard of care for the initial therapy of chronic-phase CML

**LONG-TERM OUTCOME OF 559 PH+ CML  
PATIENTS TREATED WITH IMATINIB  
IN EARLY CHRONIC PHASE**

**GIMEMA CML WP**



# ANALYSIS

**559 Early Chronic Phase patients** accrued between Jan 2004 and Apr 2007 in 3 multicentric studies:

- CML/021, phase II 82 pts  
imatinib 800 mg in intermediate Sokal risk
- CML/022, phase III, randomized 112 pts  
imatinib 400 vs 800 mg in high Sokal risk
- CML/023, observational 365 pts  
imatinib 400 mg, all risks

# PATIENTS

**N = 559**

Age, years; median (range)	52 (18-84)	
65 years or older; n (%)	115 (21)	
Splenomegaly, cm; median (range)	1 (0-24)	
Platelet count, 10 <sup>9</sup> /L; median (range)	352 (74-4553)	
Peripheral blasts, %; median (range)	1.0 (0-10.0)	
Eosinophils, %; median (range)	3.0 (0-15.0)	
Basophils, %; median (range)	2.0 (0-19.0)	
<b>Relative Risk; n (%)</b>	<b>Sokal</b>	<b>Hasford</b>
• Low	219 (39)	243 (43)
• Intermediate	216 (39)	277 (50)
• High	124 (22)	39 (7)
Variant Translocations; n (%)	30 (5)	
CCA Ph+; n (%)	21 (4)	
Der(9) deletions; n (%)	60 (11)	
400 mg; n (%)	423 (76)	
800 mg; n (%)	136 (24)	
<b>Follow-up, months; median (range)</b>	<b>42 (1-64)</b>	

# RESPONSE TO TREATMENT (ITT)

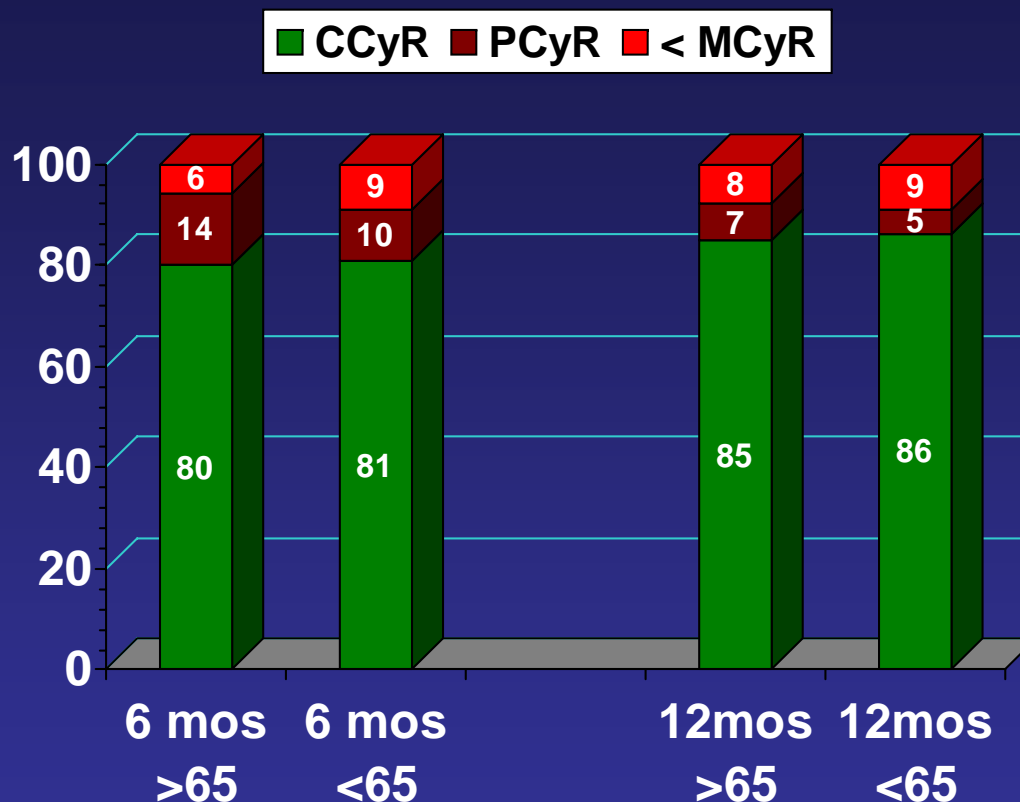
	6 months	12 months	18 months
<b>Cytogenetic Response</b>			
<b>Complete</b> , n (%)	381 (68)	441 (79)	439 (79)
Partial, n (%)	67 (12)	35 (6)	15 (3)
Minor, n (%)	14 (3)	6 (1)	3 (1)
Minimal, n (%)	15 (3)	6 (1)	1 (0)
Absent, n (%)	16 (3)	28 (5)	42 (8)
Not evaluable, n (%)	66 (12)	43 (8)	59 (11)
<b>Failures (cumulative), n (%)</b>	<b>21 (3.8)</b>	<b>41 (7.3)</b>	<b>63 (11.3)</b>



# GIMEMA CML WP

## EARLY CHRONIC PHASE - RESPONSE TO IMATINIB AND AGE

### CYTOGENETIC RESPONSE



105 PATIENTS MORE THAN 65 YEARS OLD  
 (MEDIAN 71, INTERVAL 65-84) vs  
 382 PATIENTS LESS THAN 65 YEARS OLD  
 (MEDIAN 56, INTERVAL 18-64)

ROSTI G et al, Haematologica 2007; 92: 101-105

# Overall responses and long-term outcome

CCgR at 12 months; %	79
MMoIR at 12 months; %	54
MMoIR % of CCg responders	68
Overall Survival; %	93
Progression-Free Survival; %	92
Failure Free-Survival; %	82
Event-Free Survival; %	74

Failures (ELN criteria): no CHR at 6 mos, no CgR at 6 mos, no PCgR at 12 mos, no CCgR at 18 mos, loss CHR or CCgR, progression to accelerated/blastic phase and death.

Events: failures, off-treatment for toxicity, refusal and lost to follow-up.

# CCgR durability

491 patients (88%): CCgR as best CgR



26 patients (5%): CCgR not confirmed

465 patients (83%): confirmed CCgR  
(2 or more times)



24 patients (4%): lost CCgR

CCgR duration (months)  
median (range): 13 (3 - 42)

441 patients (79%): stable CCgR

CCgR duration (months)  
median (range): 35 (4 - 55)

384 patients  $\geq$  24 months

211 patients  $\geq$  36 months

# Patients on Study / Discontinuations

**TOTAL**

**N = 559**

**Follow-up, months; median (range)**

**42 (1 - 64)**

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**On imatinib study treatment, n (%)**

**415 (74.2)**

**Discontinuation, n (%)**

**144 (25.8)**

- Side effects/SAEs

25 (4.5)

- Deaths (unrelated to CML)

9 (1.6)

- Lack of efficacy / progression

83 (14.8)

- Other reason (refusal, lost to follow-up)

27 (4.8)

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# **SUMMARY OF THE RESULTS OF IMATINIB TREATMENT (STANDARD DOSE 400 MG, FRONT- LINE) IN Ph POS CHRONIC MYELOID LEUKEMIA**

<b>COMPLETE HEMATOLOGIC RESPONSE</b>	<b>≥ 95%</b>
<b>COMPLETE CYTOGENETIC RESPONSE</b>	<b>75-90%</b>
<b>MAJOR MOLECULAR RESPONSE</b>	<b>50-70%</b>
<b>“COMPLETE” MOLECULAR RESPONSE</b>	<b>10-40%</b>
<b>6-YEARS EVENT-FREE SURVIVAL AND ON IMATINIB</b>	<b>60-70%</b>
<b>6-YEARS PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL</b>	<b>85-90%</b>
<b>6-YEARS OVERALL SURVIVAL</b>	<b>90-95%</b>

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