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**All you need to know when managing CLL or indolent  
lymphoma patients under BTKi treatment**



## Introduction

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# Learning Objectives

After this session, participants should have increased confidence in using BTKis, while appreciating differences among first- and next-generation BTKis

# Chair and Speakers



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# All you need to know when managing CLL or indolent lymphoma patients under BTKi treatment

Timing	Topic	Speaker
3 mins	Welcome and introduction to the Roundtable discussion	Stephan Stilgenbauer, Ulm, Germany (moderator)
	<b>Roundtable discussion – topics distributed as follows:</b>	
10 mins	BTKi introduction, mutations under BTKi treatment, BTKi switching	Alessandra Tedeschi, Milan, Italy
10 mins	Safety profile of BTKis, managing cardiovascular events (AF, hypertension)	Joe-Elie Salem, Paris, France
10 mins	Pharmacokinetics / pharmacodynamics of BTKis	Giorgio Minotti, Rome, Italy
10 mins	Audience Q&A	All faculty
2 mins	Closure & farewell	Stephan Stilgenbauer

AF, atrial fibrillation; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; Q&A, questions and answers.

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(choose one answer only)

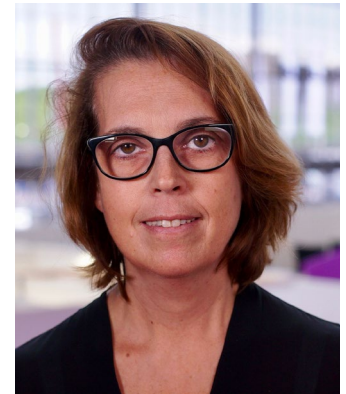
1. Yes

2. No



# BTKi introduction, mutations under BTKi treatment, BTKi switching

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# Audience poll question

- After 6 months of treatment with **ibrutinib** your **62-year-old TN del(17p)** patient shows a recurrent episode of **grade 3 stomatitis** and **cutaneous lesions**.

You decide to: *(choose one answer only)*

1. Discontinue treatment with BTKi and start venetoclax-based treatment
2. Reduce ibrutinib dosage and if new recurrence, start venetoclax-based treatment
3. Reduce ibrutinib dosage and, if new recurrence, switch to zanubrutinib
4. Discontinue ibrutinib and switch to a next-generation BTKi such as zanubrutinib



# BTKis for CLL in clinical practice

**We have several approved BTKis (1<sup>st</sup> gen – Ibru<sup>1</sup>; next gen – Zanu<sup>2</sup>, Acala<sup>3</sup>) for treating TN and R/R CLL**

**The efficacy, safety and mutational profiles of these drugs are well characterized**

**The choice and sequencing of these BTKis depends on patient and disease factors**

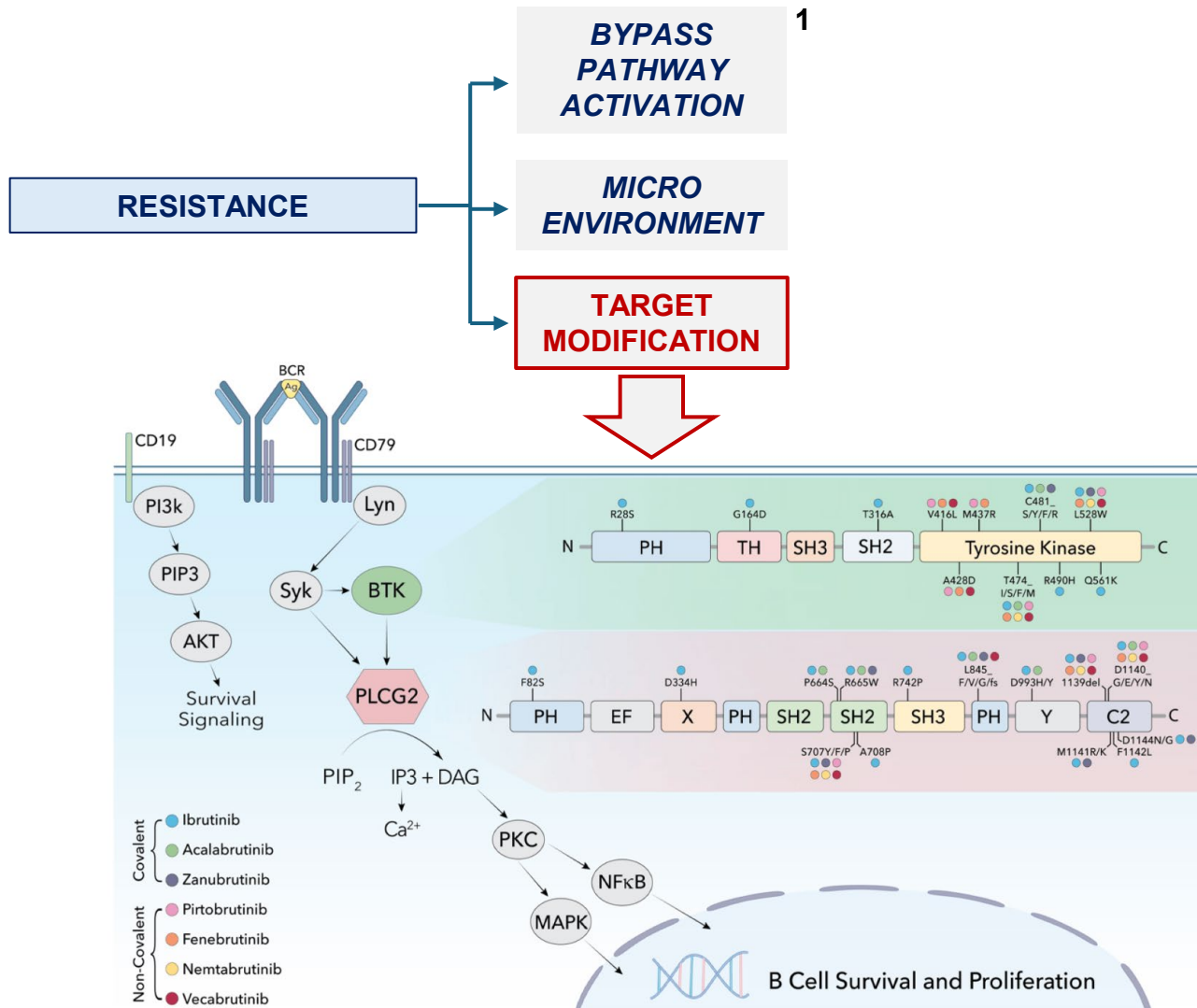
**We have options!**

Acala, acalabrutinib; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; gen, generation; Ibru, ibrutinib; R/R, relapsed/refractory; TN, treatment naïve; Zanu, zanubrutinib.

1) Imbruvica SmPC. Available at: <https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/imbruvica>; 2) Brukinsa SmPC. Available at: <https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/bрукinsa>;

3) Calquence SmPC. Available at: <https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/calquence>.

# Acquired resistance to cBTKi in CLL



**REAL WORLD EVIDENCE<sup>2</sup>**  
 One-third of patients with CLL relapsing on ibrutinib do not carry *BTK/PLCG2* mutations, even with a 0.1% sensitivity

1) Extracted from Montoya S and Thompson MC, *Cancers* 2023, 15(14):3648; 2) Bonfiglio S et al, *Blood Adv.* 2023;7(12):2794–2806.



# Acquired mutations in patients with R/R CLL who progressed in the **ALPINE** study

## Acquired BTK and PLCG2 mutations by patient

Patient ID	Treatment Arm	Acquired BTK Mutation at PD: Coding DNA Description (VAF, %)	Acquired BTK Mutation at PD: Protein Description	Acquired PLCG2 Mutation at PD: Coding DNA Description (VAF, %)	Acquired PLCG2 Mutation at PD: Protein Description	Duration of Treatment, Months
1	Ibrutinib	1442G>C (1.29)	C481S	Not detected	Not detected	30.8
2	Ibrutinib	1442G>C (7.95)	C481S	Not detected	Not detected	34.5
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6	Zanubrutinib	1283C>A (31.10) 1442G>C (4.72) 1441T>A (2.48)	A428D C481S C481S	Not detected	Not detected	28.0
7	Zanubrutinib	1442G>C (16.22) 1583T>G (8.22) 1441T>A (4.28) 1442G>A (1.83) 1442G>T (1.70) 1441T>C (1.01)	C481S L528W C481S C481Y C481F C481R	Not detected	Not detected	29.7
8	Zanubrutinib	1583T>G (1.76)	L528W	Not detected	Not detected	33.8
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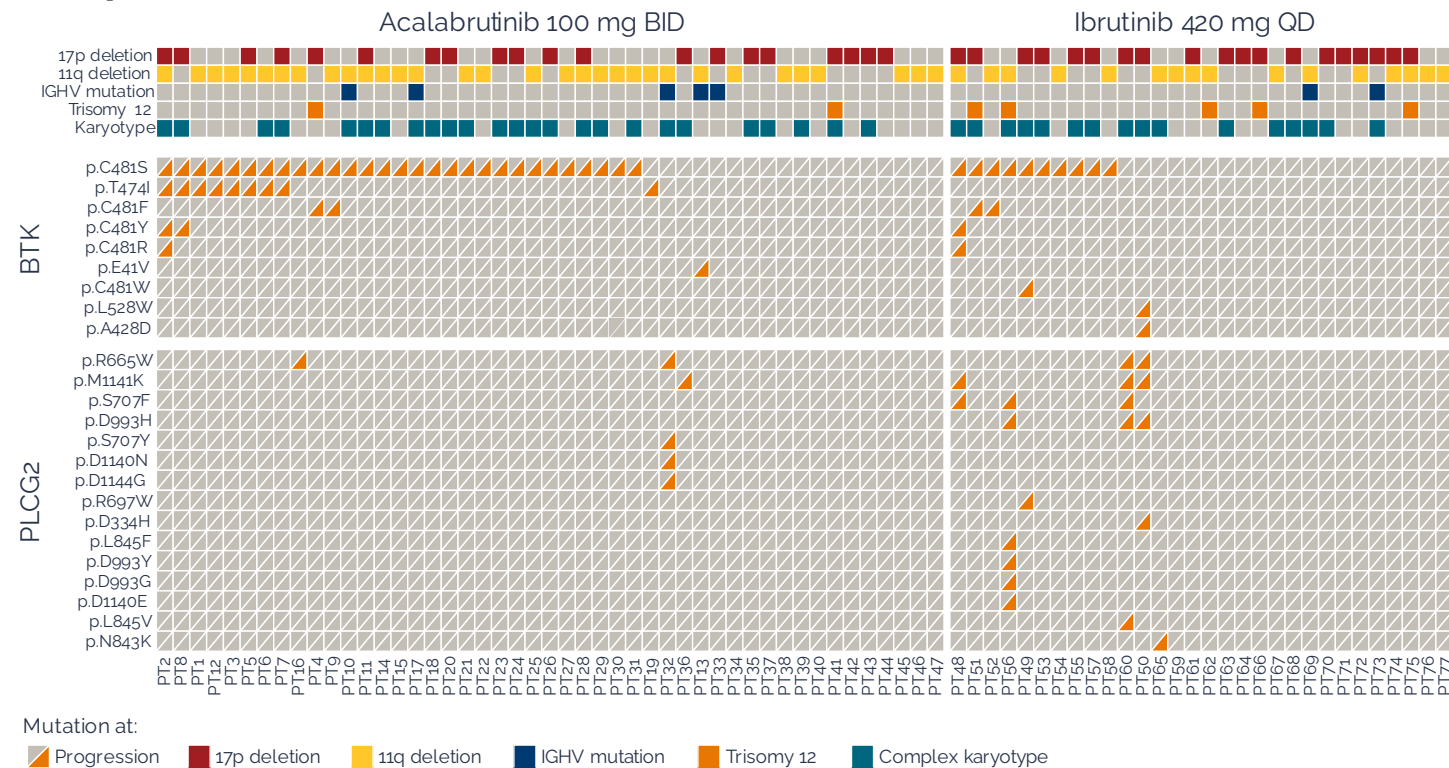
- No **BTK** mutations were identified at baseline
- 5/24 patients who progressed on zanubrutinib acquired BTK mutations
- Among the 24 patients who progressed on zanubrutinib, T474I and L528W mutations were reported in 0% and 8.3% (n=2) of patients, respectively
- These data suggest that **BTK and/or PLCG2 mutations are not the main factors driving PD** in this population

BTK(i), Bruton tyrosine kinase (inhibitor); CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; m, months; PD, progressive disease; PLCG2, phospholipase C gamma 2. R/R, relapsed/refractory. Extracted from Brown JR, Li J, Eichhorst BF, Lamanna N, O'Brien SM, Tam CS et al. Acquired Mutations in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Who Progressed in the ALPINE Study. Presented at the 65th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition; December 9–12, 2023, San Diego, CA, USA. Abstract 1890 (Accessed 12 June 2024). Available at: [Brown\\_BGB-3111-305\\_Biomarkers\\_ESH-CLL\\_Presentation\\_2024.pdf](#).

# Resistance to pirtobrutinib

## BTK mutations at T474 and L528 lead to resistance to pirtobrutinib<sup>1</sup>

Patient ID	Treatment Arm	Acquired BTK Mutation at PD: Coding DNA Description (VAF, %)	Acquired BTK Mutation at PD: Protein Description	Acquired PLCG2 Mutation at PD: Coding DNA Description (VAF, %)	Acquired PLCG2 Mutation at PD: Protein Description	Duration of Treatment, Months
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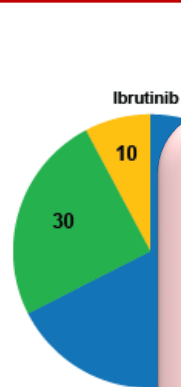
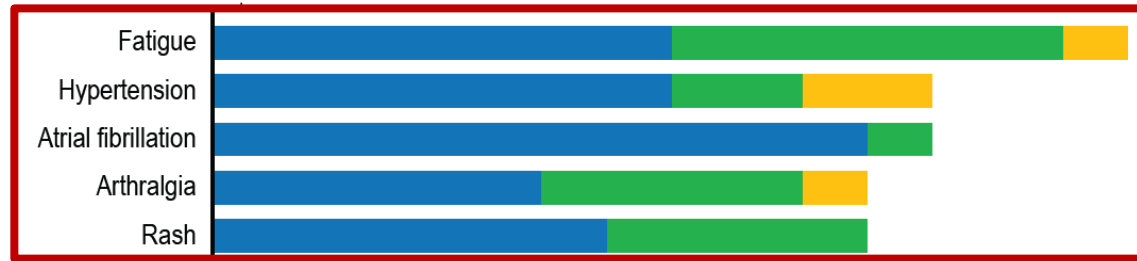
Among the 47 patients who progressed on acalabrutinib in the ELEVATE-RR trial, **T474I** and **L528W** mutations were reported in **19.1% (n=9)** and **0%** of patients, respectively.<sup>3</sup>

BID, twice daily; BTK, Bruton's tyrosine kinase; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; Ibr, ibrutinib; PD, progressive disease; PLCG2, phospholipase C gamma 2; QD, once daily; R/R, relapsed/refractory. Extracted from 1) Naeem A et al. Blood Adv. 2023;7(9):1929-1943; 2) Brown JR, Li J, Eichhorst BF, Lamanna N, O'Brien SM, Tam CS et al. Acquired Mutations in Patients With Relapsed/Refractory Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Who Progressed in the ALPINE Study. Presented at the 65th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition; December 9–12, 2023, San Diego, CA, USA. Abstract 1890 (Accessed 12 June 2024). Available at: [Brown\\_BGB-3111-305 Biomarkers ESH-CLL Presentation 2024.pdf](#); 3) Woyach JA et al. Blood. 2024; <https://doi.org/10.1182/blood.2023023659>.

# Zanu in Ibru- and/or Acala-intolerant patients with B-cell malignancies

## Phase 2 study BGB-3111-215, previously treatment CLL/SLL, WM, MCL, or MZL

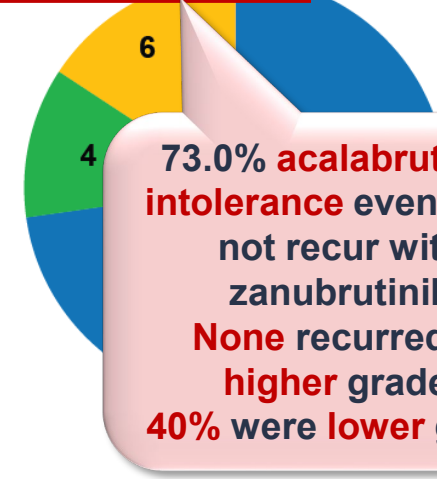
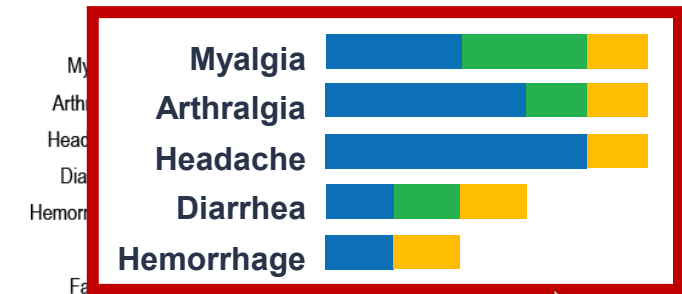
Ibrutinib-intolerance events



**67.7% ibrutinib-intolerance events did not recur with zanubrutinib**  
**None recurred at higher grade;**  
**75% were lower grade**

- Did not recur
- Recurred at lower grade
- Recurred at same grade
- Recurred at higher grade

Acalabrutinib-intolerance events



**73.0% acalabrutinib-intolerance events did not recur with zanubrutinib**  
**None recurred at higher grade,**  
**40% were lower grade**

Number of events

Acala, acalabrutinib; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; Ibru, ibrutinib; MCL, mantle cell lymphoma; MZL, marginal zone lymphoma; SLL, small lymphocytic leukemia; WM, Waldenström's macroglobulinemia; Zanu, zanubrutinib.

Extracted from Shadman M, Levy MY, Burke JM, Cultrera JL, Misleh J, Sharman JP et al. Updated Safety and Efficacy Results of Zanubrutinib in Patients With B-Cell Malignancies Who Are Intolerant of Ibrutinib and/or Acalabrutinib. Presented at EHA 2023 Hybrid Congress; June 8-15, 2023; Frankfurt, Germany. Abstract P633 (Accessed 12 June 2024). Available at: [Shadman\\_BGB-3111-215\\_EHA\\_Poster\\_2023.pdf](#).

# Safety profile of BTKis and managing cardiovascular events

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# Which cardiovascular toxicities can be associated with BTK inhibitors?

- Atrial fibrillation (AF)
- Hypertension (HT)
- Heart failure
- Cardiac conduction disorders
- Ventricular arrhythmias (VA)\*
- Sudden death\*

For acalabrutinib  
and ibrutinib<sup>2</sup>



## Moslehi et al (2024)<sup>1</sup>

- Pooled analysis 10 Zanu studies
- Overall and exposure-adjusted incidence rates of AF, HT, and symptomatic VA were **lower with Zanu vs Ibru**

Acala, acalabrutinib; AE, adverse event; AF, atrial fibrillation; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CV, cardiovascular; HT, hypertension; Ibru, ibrutinib; MCL, mantle cell lymphoma; VA, ventricular arrhythmias; WM, Waldenström's macroglobulinemia; Zanu, zanubrutinib.

Extracted from 1) Moslehi JJ et al. Blood Adv. 2024;8(10):2478-2490; 2) Quartermaine C et al, JACC CardioOncol. 2023;5(5):570–590.

# Cardiovascular toxicities associated with ibrutinib

$IC_{0.25} > 0 = \text{signal detection}$

	Ibrutinib	Entire Database (Since Inception)	IC/IC <sub>0.25</sub>	Entire Database (Since 2013)	ROR (95CI)
Total number of ICSRs available	13,572	16,343,451		8,318,890	
Number of ICSRs and statistics by CV-ADR subgroups					
Cardiac supraventricular arrhythmias	959 (7.07)	68,597 (0.42)	4.06/3.97	28,242 (0.34)	23.1 (21.6-24.7)
CNS hemorrhagic events	505 (3.72)	179,621 (1.10)	1.76/1.63	85,402 (1.03)	3.7 (3.4-4.1)
Heart failure	363 (2.67)	142,502 (0.87)	1.61/1.46	65,680 (0.79)	3.5 (3.1-3.8)
Cardiac ventricular arrhythmias	70 (0.52)	33,504 (0.20)	1.32/0.96	9,220 (0.11)	4.7 (3.7-5.9)
Cardiac conduction disorders	50 (0.37)	26,008 (0.16)	1.19/0.76	8,834 (0.11)	3.5 (2.7-4.6)
CNS ischemic events	254 (1.87)	161,618 (0.99)	0.92/0.73	70,529 (0.85)	2.2 (2.0-2.5)
Hypertension and related end-organ damages	295 (2.17)	239,232 (1.46)	0.57/0.40	109,148 (1.31)	1.7 (1.5-1.9)
Cardiac valve disorders	30 (0.22)	25,500 (0.16)	0.49/-0.07	NA	NA
Myocardial infarction	149 (1.10)	163,908 (1.00)	0.13/-0.11	NA	NA
Cardiac death or shock	131 (0.97)	144,825 (0.89)	0.12/-0.13	NA	NA
Venous thrombo-embolic events	108 (0.80)	134,718 (0.82)	-0.05/-0.34	NA	NA
Vascular neoplasms	2 (0.01)	2,687 (0.02)	-0.13/-2.72	NA	NA
Pulmonary hypertension and cardiac involvements	19 (0.14)	30,718 (0.19)	-0.42/-1.14	NA	NA
Hyperglycemia, diabetes	112 (0.83)	233,007 (1.43)	-0.79/-1.07	NA	NA
Torsade de pointes/QT prolongation	9 (0.07)	20,938 (0.13)	-0.91/-2.01	NA	NA
Myocarditis	2 (0.01)	5,515 (0.03)	-1.02/-3.61	NA	NA
Dyslipidemia	14 (0.10)	64,555 (0.39)	-1.90/-2.75	NA	NA

- Real world study of Ibru-associated CV ADRs
- ~20 million case safety reports
- Ibru was disproportionately associated with many CV ADRs

ADR, adverse drug reaction; CV, cardiovascular; Ibru, ibrutinib; IC<sub>0.25</sub>, lower limit of the 95% credibility interval for the information component. Extracted from Salem J-E et al, J Am Coll Cardiol. 2019;74(13):1667-1678.



# Cardiovascular toxicities of BTKi in CLL

Table 1. Target and Indications for Approved BTK Inhibitors

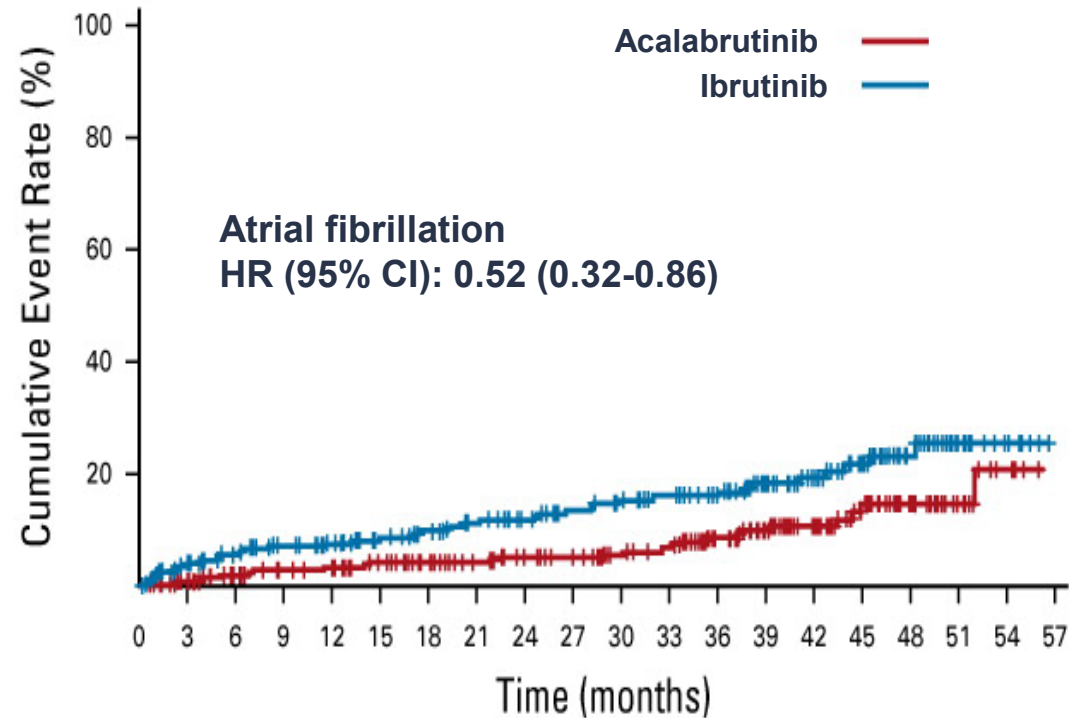
Drug	Mechanism of Action	Current Indications (or Phase of Clinical Testing)	Cardiotoxic Effects Reported
Ibrutinib	Irreversible inhibitor of BTK at C481 via covalent bond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CLL                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Newly diagnosed</li> <li>- Relapsing/remitting</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mantle cell lymphoma</li> <li>• Marginal zone lymphoma</li> <li>• Waldenström's macroglobulinemia</li> <li>• Chronic graft vs host disease after failure of 1 or more lines of systemic therapy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atrial fibrillation</li> <li>• Hypertension</li> <li>• Heart failure</li> <li>• Ventricular arrhythmia/sudden death</li> </ul>
Acalabrutinib	Irreversible inhibitor of BTK at C481 via covalent bond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CLL                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Newly diagnosed</li> <li>- Relapsing/remitting</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mantle cell lymphoma</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atrial fibrillation</li> <li>• Hypertension</li> <li>• Heart failure</li> <li>• Ventricular arrhythmia/sudden death</li> </ul>

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Pirtobrutinib	Reversible inhibitor of BTK via noncovalent bond formation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CLL (phase III) ongoing</li> <li>• Mantle cell lymphoma (phase III)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atrial fibrillation</li> </ul>

- Ibru: associated with AF, VA, HF and other CV tox
- Zanu and Acala: less CV tox but still present
- Increased incidence of AF and new/worse HT common with all 3 drugs
- A cardio-oncologic approach is recommended for optimal BTKi use

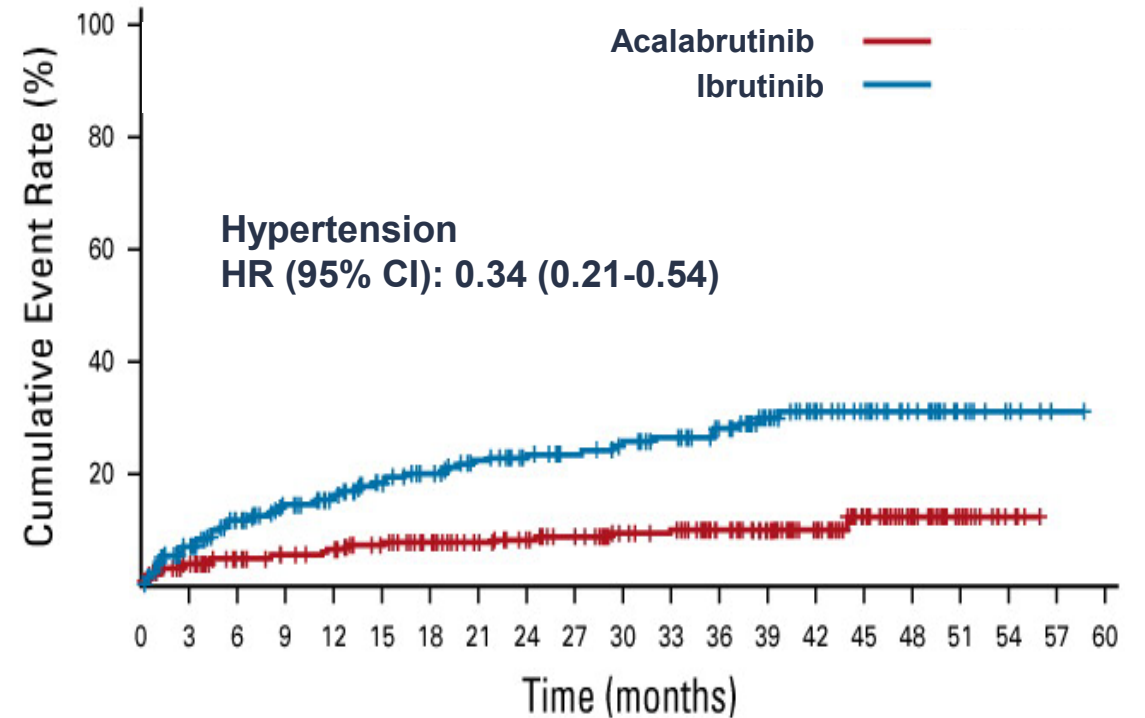


# ELEVATE-RR: Acalabrutinib vs ibrutinib in previously treated CLL – results of the first randomized Phase 3 trial



No. at risk:

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Ibrutinib	263	241	224	208	199	185	176	166	156	143	136	128	117	96	73	56	36	18	8	0



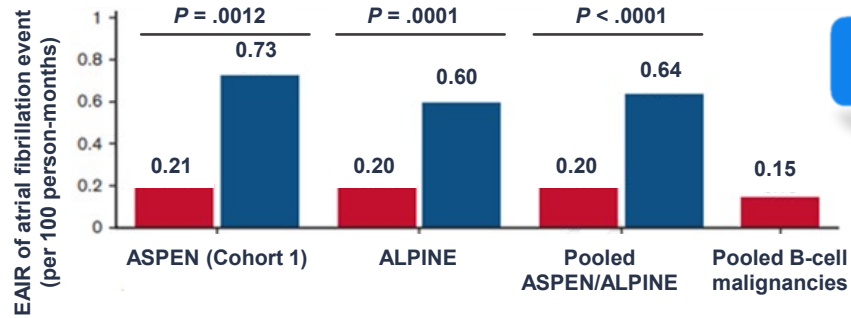
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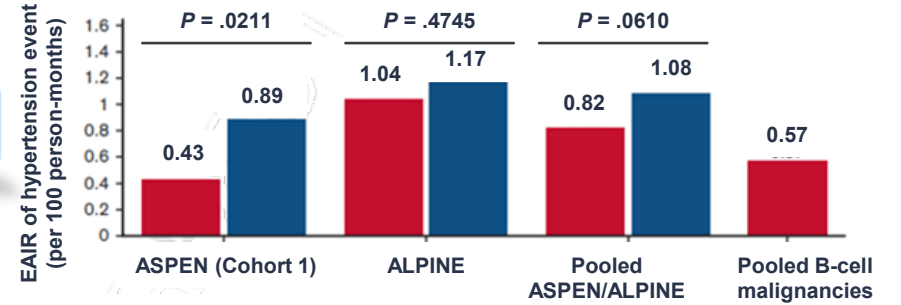
CI, confidence interval; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; HR, hazard ratio.  
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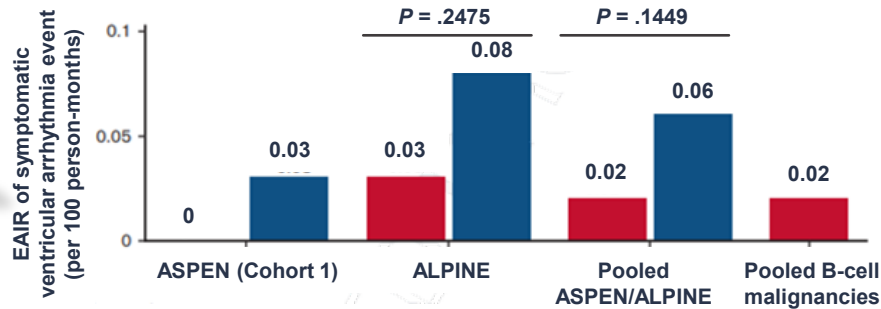
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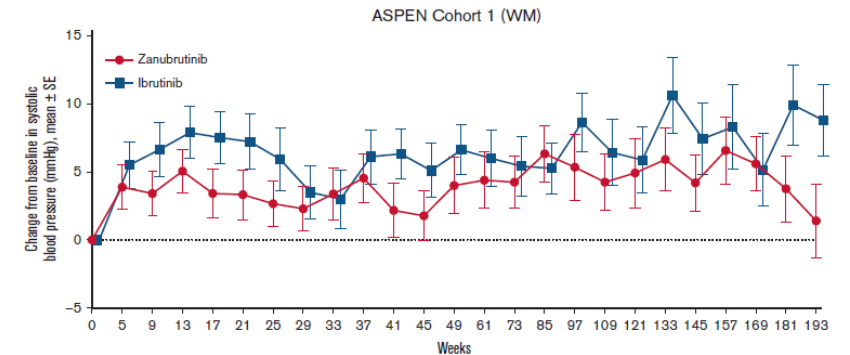
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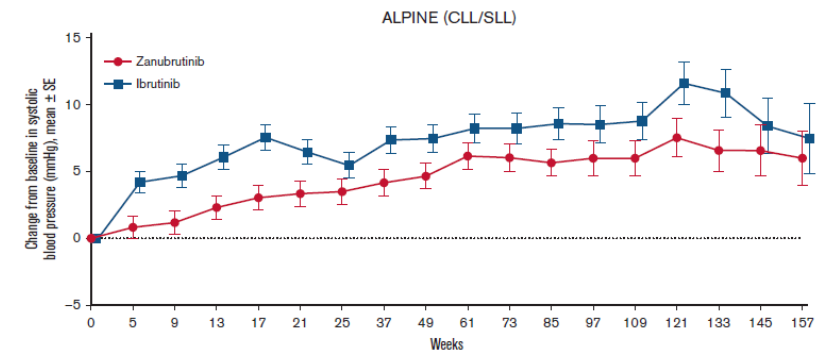
## Ventricular Arrhythmia



■ Zanubrutinib ■ Ibrutinib



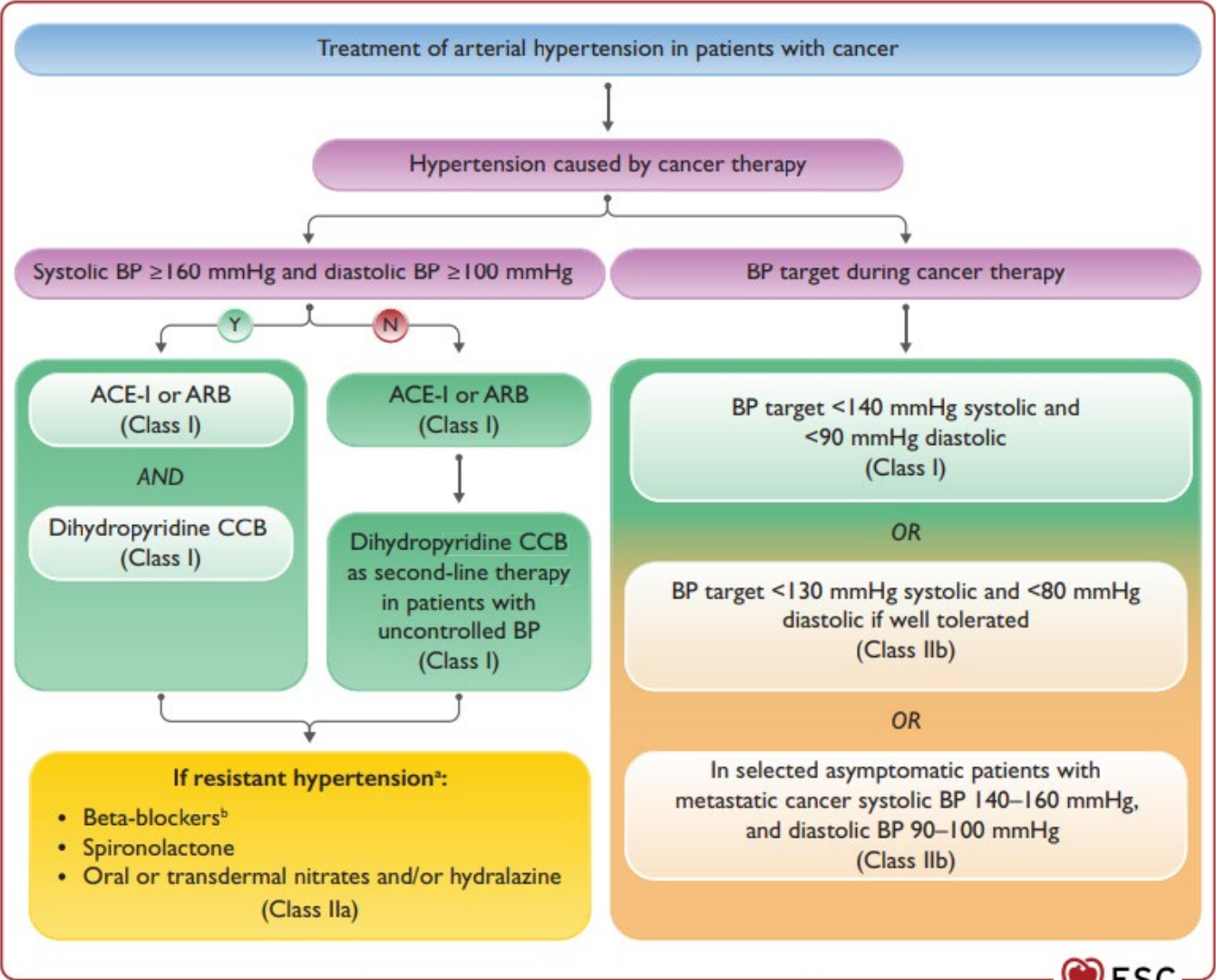
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Ibrutinib	98	95	93	88	88	88	86	86	84	83	83	83	84	80	78	77	71	65	63	58	57	51	50	50	44													



No. of patients at risk	Zanubrutinib																	Ibrutinib																
Zanubrutinib	327	316	317	314	308	298	295	298	288	281	267	268	231	191	164	150	114	51																
Ibrutinib	325	317	311	301	293	279	278	268	255	248	230	223	190	145	124	112	93	42																

CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; EAIR: exposure-adjusted incidence rates; SLL, small lymphocytic leukemia; WM, Waldenström's macroglobulinemia.  
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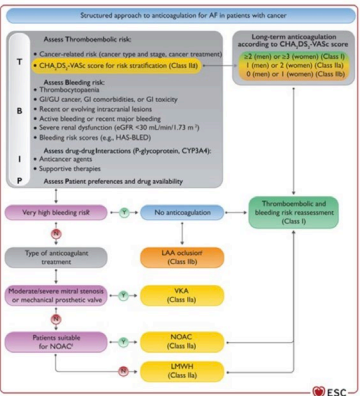
# Management of hypertension



**Main aspects:**

- Target BP and treatment of HT are supported by varying evidence levels
- General recommendation (Class I evidence): **target BP <140/<90 mmHg**
- Patient characteristics also influence
- If outside target: use ACE-I or ARB
- If first BP ≥160/≥100 mmHg: combine with CCB

**Atrial fibrillation management included in same guidelines**



ACE-I, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; ARB, angiotensin receptor blockers; BP, blood pressure; CCB, calcium channel blocker; HT, hypertension.  
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# Pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of BTKis

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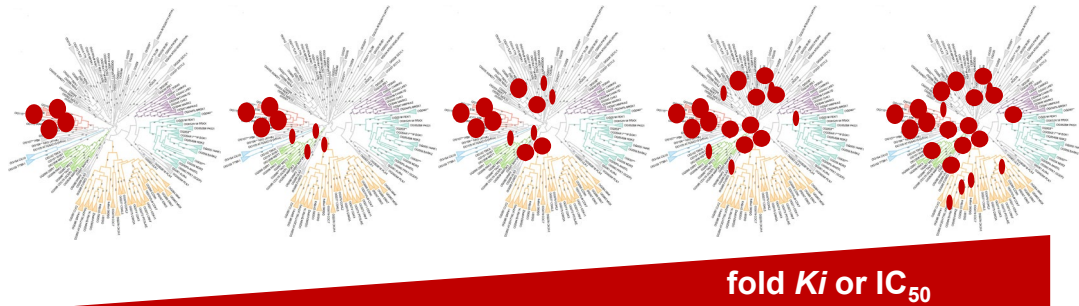
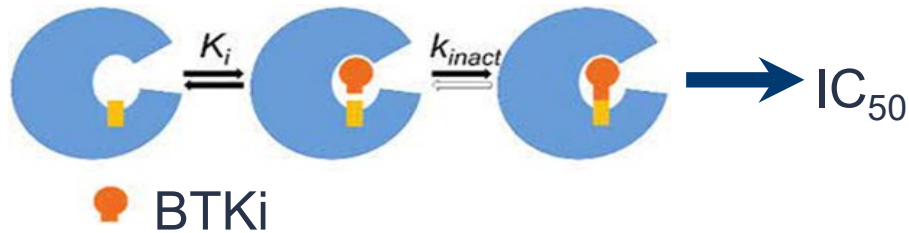
# Audience poll question

- How would you define the off-target effects of covalent BTKi?  
(choose one answer only)
  1. Analogue-related
  2. Class-related
  3. Predictable from kinome experiments
  4. The lower the  $IC_{50}$  for BTK, the higher the likelihood of off-target effects





# Kinome assays for covalent BTKi



Reported selectivity (from high to low)	$IC_{50}$ ( $\mu M$ )	$K_i^*$ ( $\mu M$ )	BTKi in the assay ( $\mu M$ )	Selectivity conditions vs $IC_{50}$	Selectivity conditions vs $K_i$
acalabrutinib	0.005	0.181	1	●	●
ACP-5862†	0.005	0.188	1	●	●
zanubrutinib	0.0005	0.126	1	●	●
ibrutinib	0.0015	0.054	1	●	●
zanubrutinib	0.00071	0.126	0.071	●	●
acalabrutinib	0.0240	0.181	2.400	●	●
ibrutinib	0.00032	0.054	0.032	●	●
ACP-5862†	0.0630	0.188	6.300	●	●

- Ibru, Zanu, Acala are covalent BTKi
- First **bind** ( $k_i$ ) and then **inactivate** ( $k_{inact}$ ) BTK
- Should be evaluated at  $[C] \leq k_i$  or  $IC_{50}$  (surrogate of  $k_{inact}$ )<sup>1,2</sup>

- BTK is homologous with other kinases<sup>3</sup>
- So BTKi unavoidably target more >1 kinase
- In kinome assays, the number of «innocent» kinases increases as  $[BTKi] > k_i$  or  $IC_{50}$

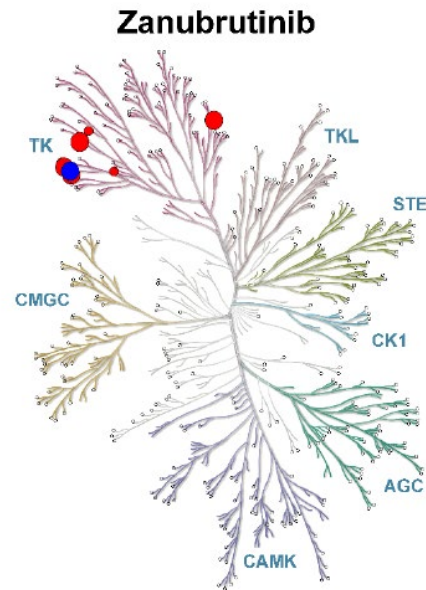
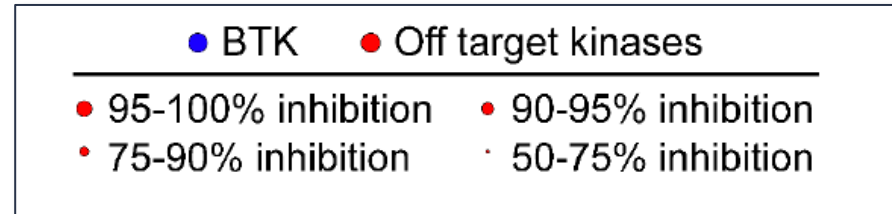
- In published kinome assays, BTKi used at  $1 \mu M$  ( $\gg k_i$ )<sup>4</sup> or at  $100 \times IC_{50}$ <sup>5</sup>

- Selectivity conditions,  $[BTKi] \leq k_i$  only achieved for Ibru and Zanu in  $100 \times IC_{50}$  assay: **Zanu more selective than Ibru**<sup>5</sup>
- We need kinome assays that achieve selectivity conditions for all 3 BTKi + Acala metabolite (M27/ACP-5862)<sup>6</sup>

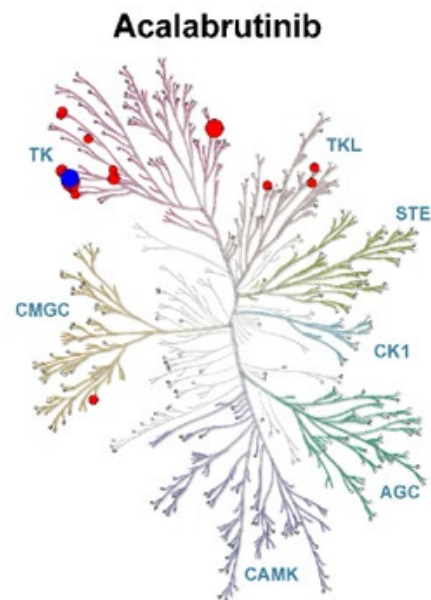
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Acala, acalabrutinib; BTK(i), Bruton tyrosine kinase (inhibitor); Ibru, ibrutinib;  $IC_{50}$ , half-maximal inhibitory concentration;  $kinact/K_i$ , a rate constant describing the efficiency of covalent bond formation resulting from the potency ( $K_i$ ) of the first reversible binding event and the maximum potential rate ( $kinact$ ) of inactivation; Zanu, zanubrutinib.

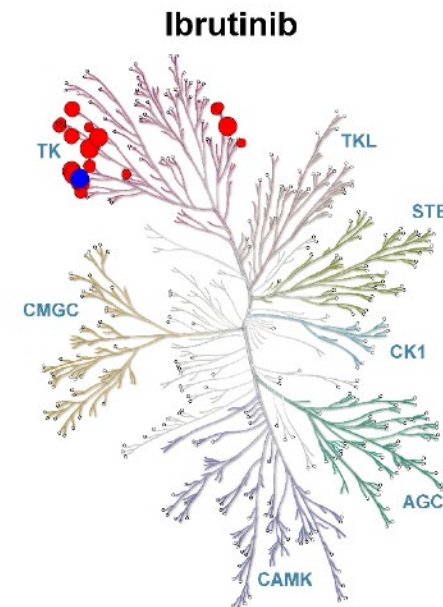
# Kinase selectivity of zanubrutinib, ibrutinib, acalabrutinib, and acalabrutinib metabolite M27



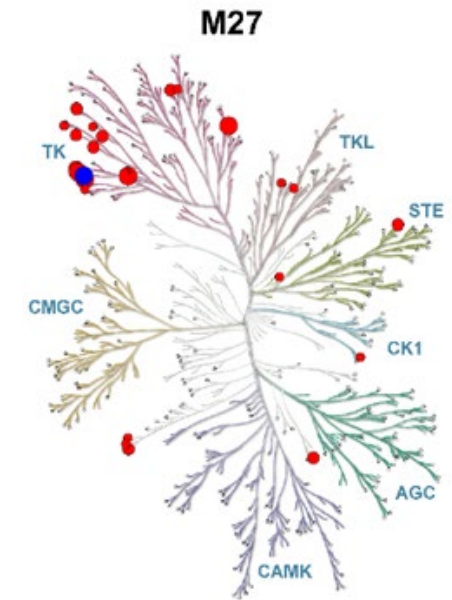
7/370 >50% inhibition



15/370 >50% inhibition



17/370 >50% inhibition



23/370 >50% inhibition

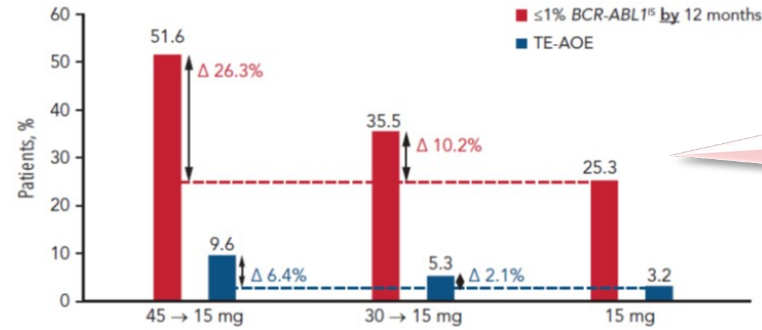
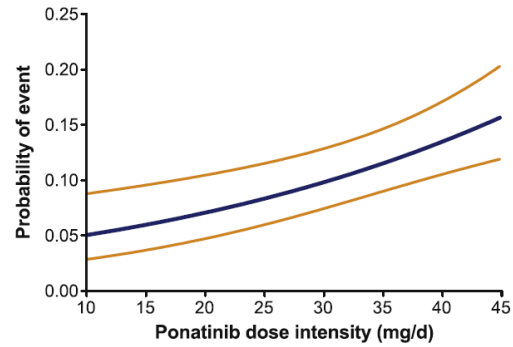
Assayed by Reaction Biology Corp. at **100X of IC50** (against BTK) concentration with IC50 (BTK)s of 0.71±0.09, 0.32±0.09, 24±9.2, and 63±28 nM (n=3), for zanubrutinib, ibrutinib, acalabrutinib, and M27, respectively.

BTK, Bruton tyrosine kinase; IC<sub>50</sub>, half-maximal inhibitory concentration.

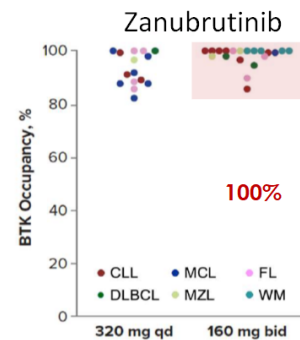
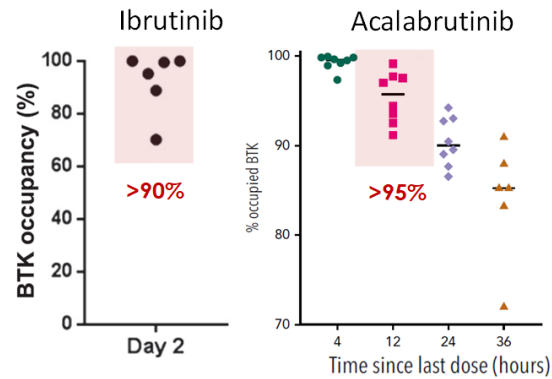
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# BTKi dose and BTK occupancy



- With other TKIs, like ponatinib, risk of CV ADR correlates with dose intensity<sup>1</sup>
- But reducing dose can jeopardize drug response (in this case, in CML)<sup>2</sup>



- With BTKi, need to weigh impact of dose reduction on CV ADRs with risk of reduced BTK occupancy in LN
- LN biopsy studies suggest **BTK occupancy: Zanu > Acala > Ibru**<sup>3</sup>

BTKi	Vd (L)
Ibrutinib	683
Acalabrutinib	723
Zanutrutinib	881

- **Zanu's greater distribution volume** might account for this<sup>4-6</sup>
- This might make **Zanu a better candidate for dose reductions**

Acala, acalabrutinib; ADR, adverse drug reaction; BTK(i), Bruton tyrosine kinase (inhibitor); CML, chronic myelogenous leukemia; CV, cardiovascular; Ibru, ibrutinib; LN, lymph node; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor; Vd, volume of distribution; Zanu, zanutrutinib.

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# Audience Q&A

# Take-home messages

- **BTKi have revolutionized CLL therapy**<sup>1</sup>
- **The first- and next-generation BTKis provide treatment options for patients**<sup>1</sup>
- **BTKi mutations** under BTKi treatment: BTK and/or PLCG2 mutations may not be the main factors driving PD<sup>2</sup>
- **BTKi switching**: most ibrutinib- and acalabrutinib-intolerance events did not recur with zanubrutinib<sup>3</sup>
- **Cardiovascular toxicity**: ibrutinib is associated with many CV ADRs, zanubrutinib and acalabrutinib less so, with some differences in ADR profiles; hypertension is manageable; a cardio-oncologic approach supports optimal BTKi use<sup>4-8</sup>
- **BTKi dose and BTK occupancy**: weigh impact of dose reduction on CV ADRs with risk of reduced BTK occupancy in LN; zanubrutinib's high LN occupancy and distribution volume may make it the best candidate for dose reduction<sup>9-14</sup>

BTK(i), Bruton tyrosine kinase (inhibitor); CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; PD, progressive disease; PLCG2, phospholipase C gamma 2.

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