

Clinical Interventions for HTLV-1-associated diseases

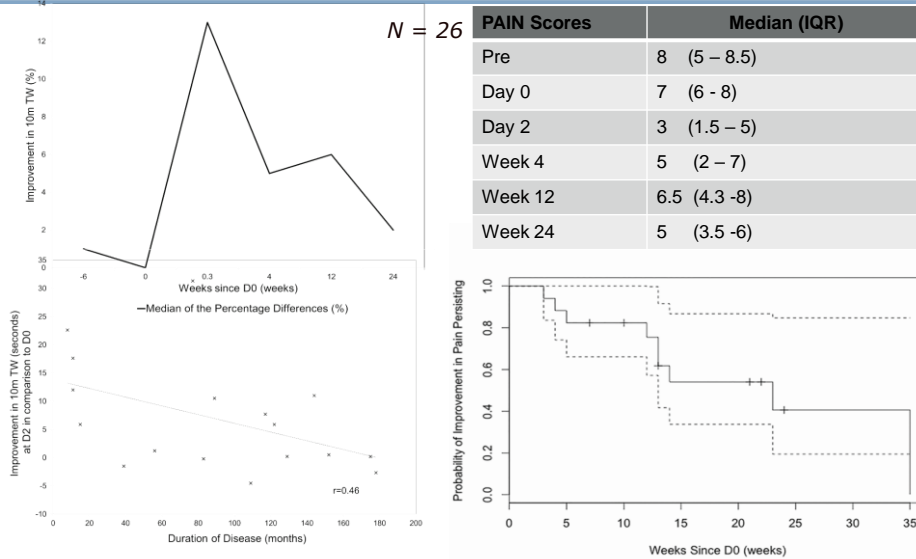
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Efficacy of treatment less certain

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1990 Prednisolone	65	91% improved, max@1-3m Osame et al, Hematology Reviews 1990;3 271-284
1990 IV Methyl Pred	9	Transient benefit 6/ Duncan & Rudge JNNP 1990;53:173-4
1991 Prednisolone	19	Subjective short-term improvement, long term deterioration, Objective short term no change, long term stable or worse Kira et al, J NeuroSci 1991;106:41-49
1996 Prednisolone	131	>1 grade improvement 91/ Nakagawa et al, J Neurovirol 1996;2:345-355
2008 IV Methyl Pred 1 st & 2 nd infusions	39	Transient improvement with Croda et al, J Neur Sci.2008;269:133-7

Effect of pulsed Methyl Prednisolone on Gait and Pain

Buell et al *PLoS One* 2016;11(4):e0152557



Prednisolone Long-term FU

Multi-centre Case Note Review (n=86)

Median FU 3.4 years

	Change in OMDS grade/year
Oral Prednisolone 57 on median daily dose 4.8mg	↑0.12
No DMT 29	↓0.13

No Px 79% deteriorated by ≥ 1 Grade

Telephone interviews of 248 HAMnet registered patients –
4 years Prospective FU.

107 on oral prednisolone 26% deteriorated by ≥ 1 OMDS grade
129 not on treatment 35.7% deteriorated by ≥ 1 OMDS grade (p 0.07) .

Coler-Reilly et al, *P-E-11* & Sato et al *P-E-25*
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What about steroid sparing immunosuppression?

1989	Azathioprine	4	4 patients improved
			Osame <i>et al</i> , Hematology Reviews 1990;3 271-284
1996	Azathioprine	9	6 improved >1 grade
	Salazopyrine	24	12 improved >1 grade
			Nakagawa <i>et al</i> , J Neurovirol 1996;2:345-355
1994	Cyclophos	1	1 remarkable improvement
			Misra <i>et al</i> J Neuro Sci 1994;122:155-6

Treatment of HAM with Ciclosporin

Open-label proof of principle study of 8 patients with early or progressing HAM

48 weeks dose adjusted Ciclosporin A

FU to 72 weeks

Pulsed Methyl Prednisolone allowed.

Primary endpoints are Rate of Clinical Failure by 48 weeks and time to clinical Failure

Primary endpoint at 48 weeks is Clinical Failure

Lack of objective improvement at 3 months

>2 point deterioration in disability on IPEC 1 scale compared with baseline at two consecutive visits excluding weeks 2 and 4

>30% deterioration in timed walk at any time compared to baseline

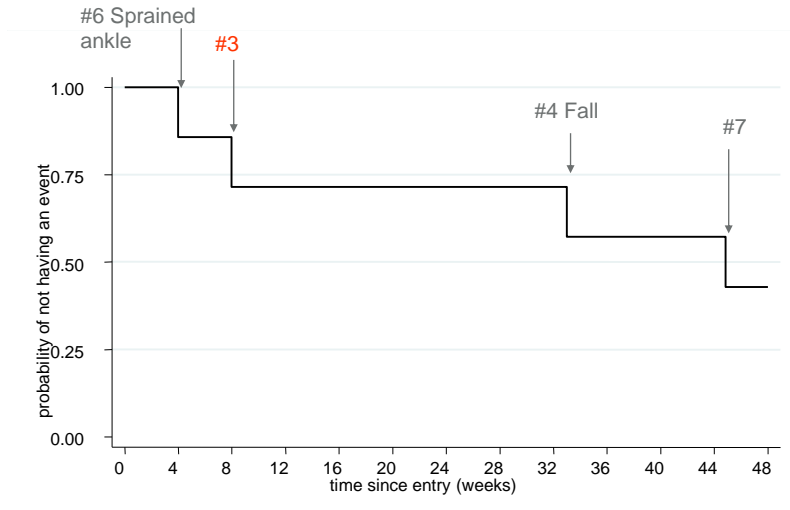
Martin et al. PLoS Neg Trop Dis 2012;6(5):e1675

Primary endpoints at 48 weeks

Number	7
Lack of any objective improvement	0 (0%)
> 2 point deterioration in the IPEC 1 scale compared with baseline at 2 consecutive visits	
Yes	1 (14%)
No	6 (86%)
30% deterioration in timed walk compared with baseline at any time point	
Yes	4 (57%)
No	3 (43%)

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Time to clinical failure (Kaplan-Meier)



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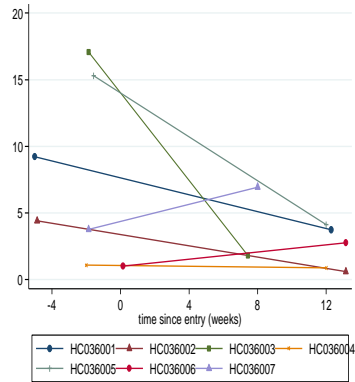
Improvement in 10m Timed walk

		ITT		Per-protocol
Change from baseline	n	Mean (SE) Secs	n	Mean (SE) Secs
To week 12	7	-12 (6)	6	-14 (6)
To week 24	7	-11 (5)	5	-14 (6)
To week 48	7	-6 (7)	5	-10 (9)
To week 72	7	-3 (7)	3	-4 (5)

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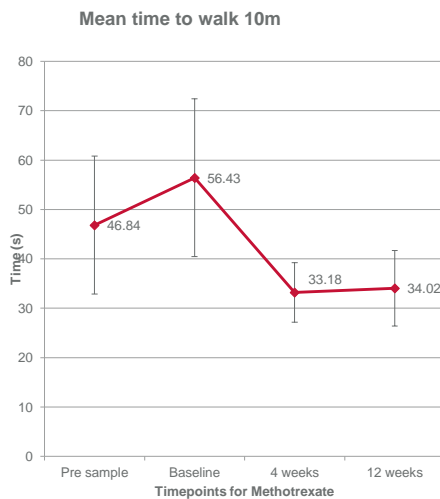
Reduced HTLV-1 viral burden in CSF

	Change from baseline
Blood log₁₀ HTLV-1 proviral DNA (mean, SE, copies/100 PBMCs)	-0.08 (0.10)
CSF log₁₀ HTLV-1 pro-viral DNA (mean, SE, copies/100 CSF MCs)	-0.39 (0.15)
CSF/Blood ratio	-4.4 (2.6)



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Methotrexate – 10m Timed walk



MTX 7.5-15mg weekly

Walking improved in 2/3rd
by 22 seconds at 12 weeks
Reduction in markers of
inflammation in blood

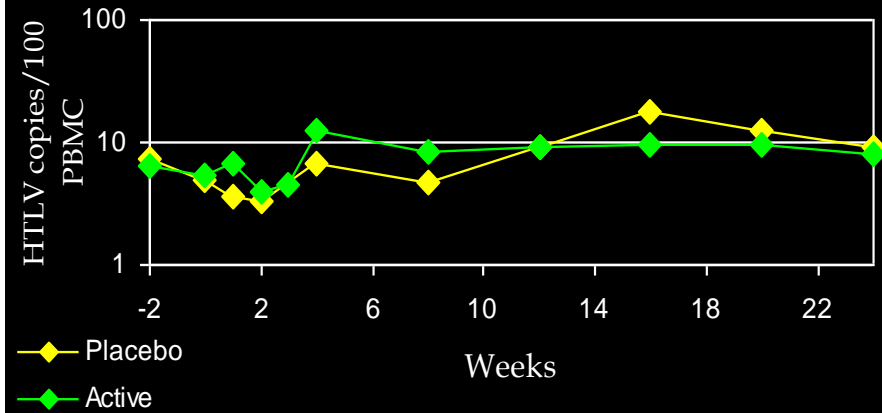
N=13

Ahmed et al, *Retrovirology* 2104;11
suppl P-33

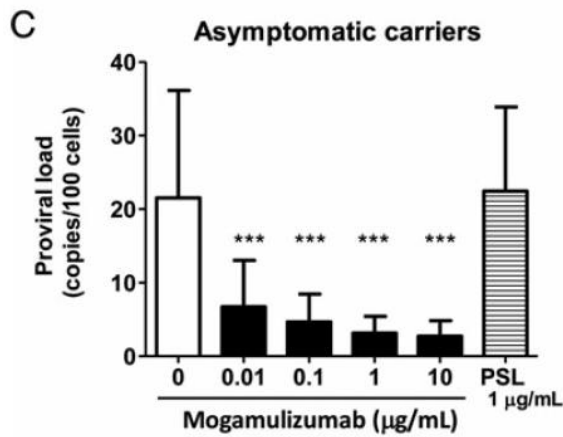
Anti-retroviral therapy not effective

Taylor et al *Retrovirology* 2006;3:63

HTLV-I DNA Load Response to AZT/3TC

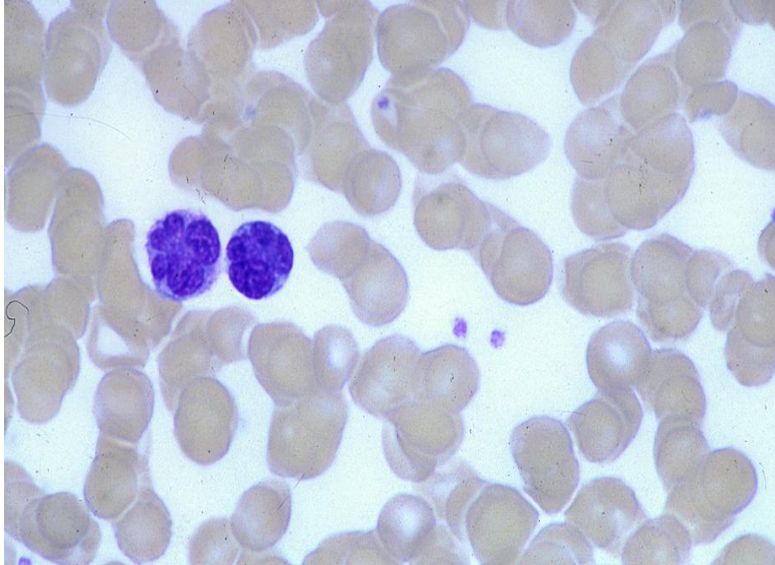


Anti-CCR4 – reduces HTLV-1 proviral load ex vivo



Yamauchi et al, *JID* 2015;211:238-248

Adult T-cell Leukaemia – High Mortality



Lymphomatous ATL

Median age of onset
51.5 years

Median survival 6 – 8 m

- *Lymphadenopathy*
- *Hepatosplenomegaly*
- *Lytic bone lesions*
- *Hypercalcemia*



Cutaneous manifestation of ATL



Shimoyama classification of ATLL

	Lymphocyte count (x10 ⁹ /L)	Number of abnormal T lymphocytes	Corrected calcium	LDH	Other
Smouldering	<4	>5%	Normal	≤ 1.5x ULN	*Skin or pulmonary lesions
Chronic	>4	>5%	Normal	≤ 2x ULN	LA, liver, spleen, skin, lung NOT GI tract, CNS or bone
Lymphoma	<4	≤1%	→/↑	→/↑	Lymph node +/- extra-nodal lesions
Acute	>4	>5%	→/↑	→/↑	Tumour lesions

**Biopsy proven with evidence of proviral integration
Shimoyama et al, 1991*

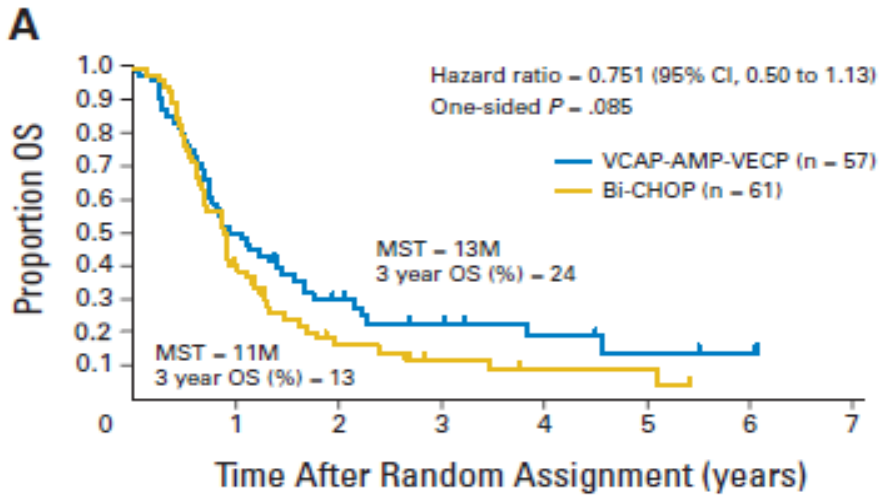
Shimoyama classification – outcome data

	Mean survival (months)	2 year survival	4 year survival
Smouldering	NR	77.7%	62.8% Indolent
Chronic	24.3	52.4%	26.9%
Lymphoma	10.2	21.3%	5.7% Aggressive
Acute	6.2	16.7%	5%

Chemotherapy for ATLL

Table 1 ATLL: Chemotherapy Regimens

Year	Regimen	No	CR (%)	PR (%)	Response Rate	Median Survival rates	Survival rate	Author
1980's	CHOP / CHOP Like	Various	18%	N/A	N/A	~5-6 Months	NA	Shimoyama 1988
1996	CHOP followed by Etoposide/vindesine/Ranimustine and mitoxantrone/GCSF	81 44 Acute 37 Lymphoma	36%	38%	74%	8.5 Months	3 Year OS 13.5%	Taguchi,H et al 1996 J Aids
2001	LSG 15 : VCAP/AMP/VECP/VACP VCAP(Vincristine, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, prednisolone),AMP (Doxorubicin, ranimustine, prednisolone), VECP(Vindesine, etoposide, carboplatin, prednisolone)	96 58 Acute 28 Lymphoma 10 UC	35.5%	45.2%	81%	13 Months	2 Years 31.3%	Yamada et al BJH 2001 *Value of dose intensity confirmed
2003	Deoxy coformycin (JCOG 9109)	62 34 Acute 21 Lymphoma 7 UC	28%	24%	52%	7.4 Months	2 year Estimated 15.5%	Tsukasaki K et al 2003 Int J Hematol *DCF abandoned
2007	VCAP-AMP-VECP Compared to bi-weekly CHOP/GCSF (JCOG9801)	118	VAC 40% CHOP 24%	VAC 32% CHOP 41%	VAC 72% CHOP 65%	13 Months VAC 11 Months CHOP	3 Year OS 24% VAC 13% CHOP	Tsukasaki K JCO 2007 *Dose intensity regimen superior to CHOP
2011	Phase II CHOP +CD25 ab	15 11 Acute 4 Lymphoma	33%	20%	53%	10/12 in high responders	CR patients DFS 15/12	Caesay,M et al 2011 Leuk Res

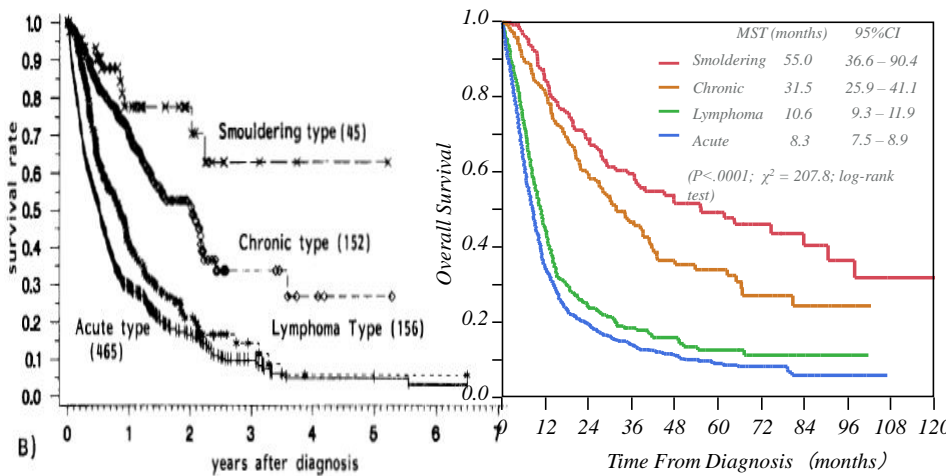


Single RCT – Intensive chemotherapy v bi-weekly CHOP

Adult T-Cell Leukaemia/Lymphoma

Overall Survival ~8 months

Unchanged after 25 years



Treatment of ATL with 'anti-viral therapy' Zidovudine + Interferon- α

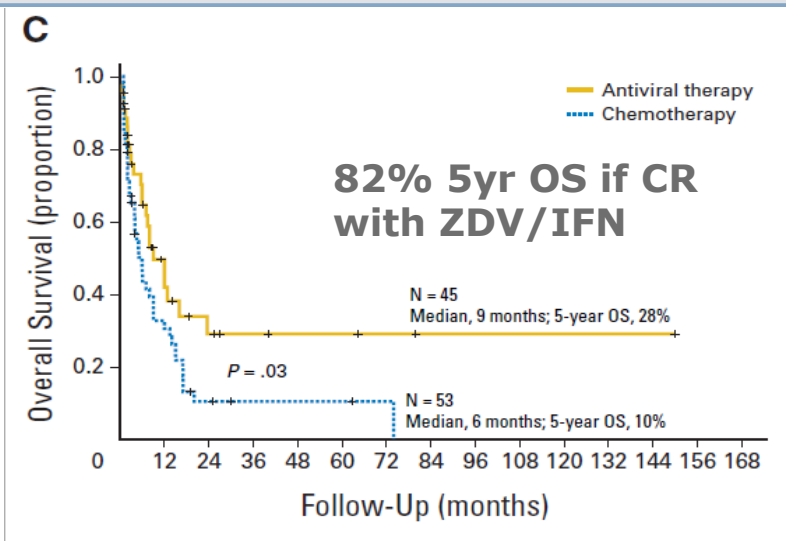


"We found that the combination of zidovudine and interferon alfa induced a rapid and durable response in a patient with adult T-cell leukemia-lymphoma who was coinfectd with both human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) and HTLV-I."



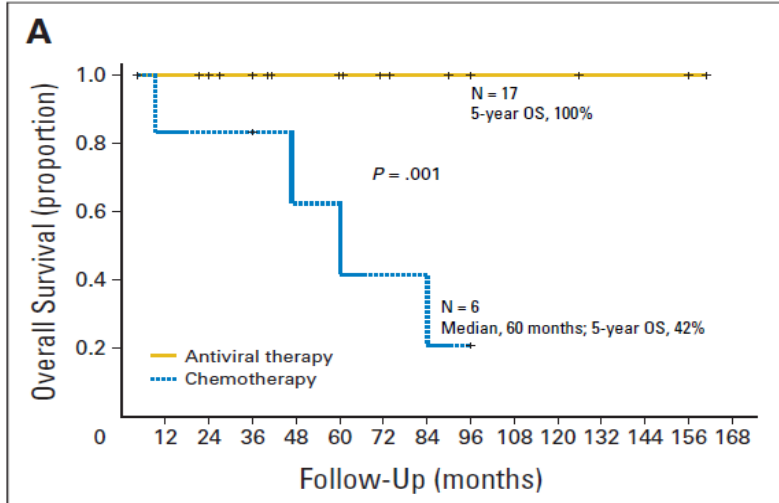
Results. Major responses were achieved in 58 percent of the patients (11/19), including complete remission in 26 percent (5/19). Six patients have survived for more than 12 months, Longest remission since the discontinuation of treatment lasting more than 59 months.

Outcome of acute ATLL improved by first line use of ZDV/IFN



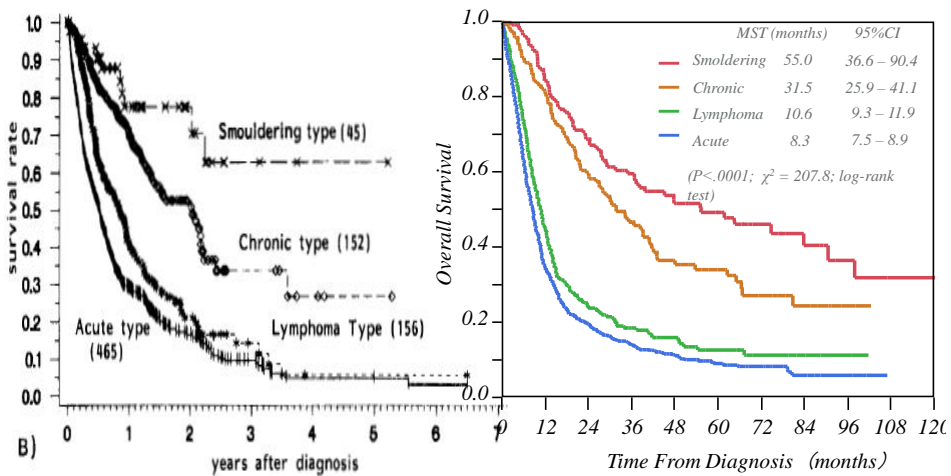
Bazarbachi et al / J Clin. Oncol. 2010;28:1477-1483

100% 5 year OS for patients with Chronic/Smouldering ATLL



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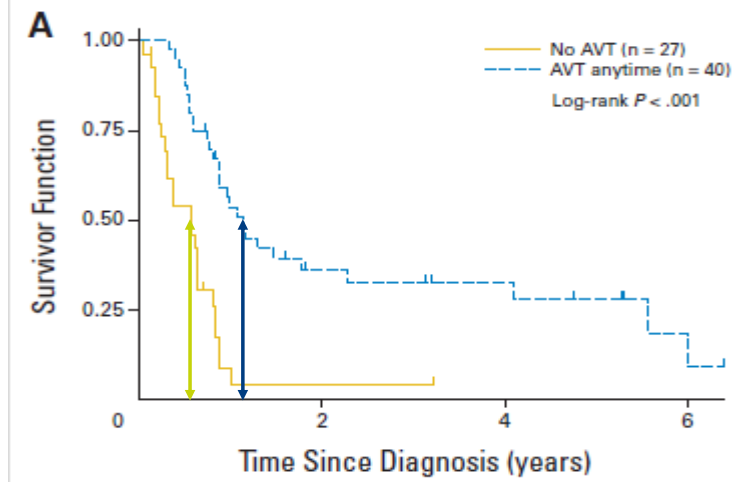
Adult T-cell Leukaemia/Lymphoma



Shimoyama M, Br J Haematol 1991;79:428-437

Katsuya H, et al, Blood 2015;126:2570-7

UK experience with 'anti-viral' therapy – (ZDV/IFN α)



Hodson et al, J Clin Oncol 2011;29:4696-4701

Anti-CCR4 mAb (Mogamulizumab)

Mogamulizumab approved In Japan:

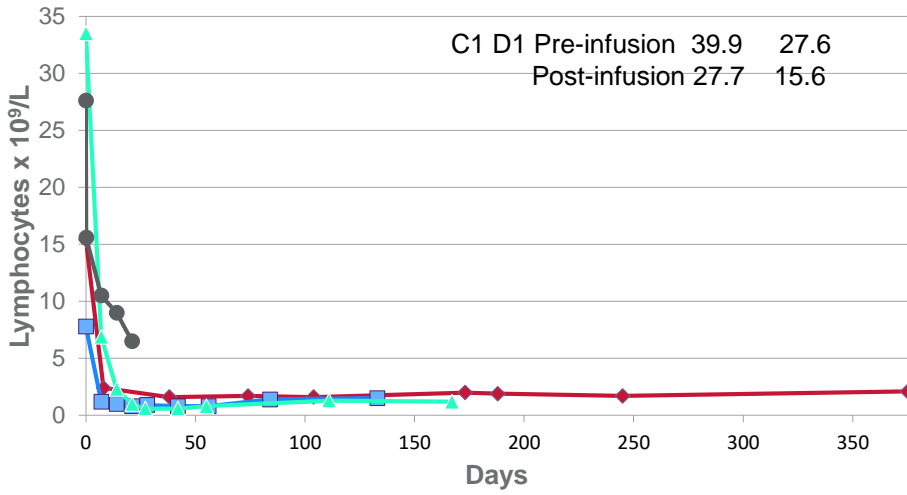
2012: for the treatment of relapsed or refractory CCR4-positive ATL

2014: relapsed or refractory CCR4-positive peripheral T-cell lymphoma (PTCL) and cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL)

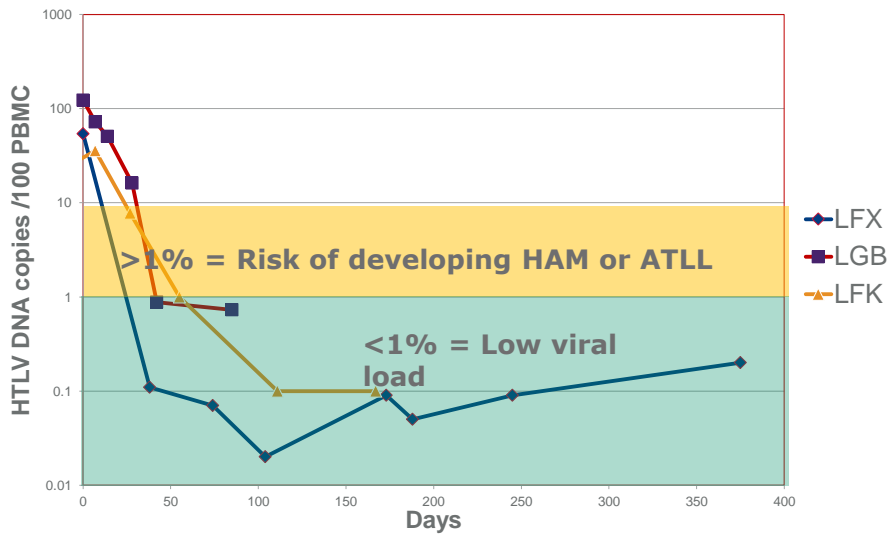
2012 – 2015 – International study RCT comparing anti-CCR4 with second line chemotherapy.

Licensing in EU/USA in progress

Lymphocyte counts during anti-CCR4 therapy



HTLV-1 proviral load during anti-CCR4 therapy



Stem Cell Transplantation – Allo

Autologous – modest benefit – early relapse

Tsukasaki et al Bone Marrow Transplant 1999; 23: 87–89

Allo – Median survival 10 months (n = 586, retrospective)

3 year Survival 36%

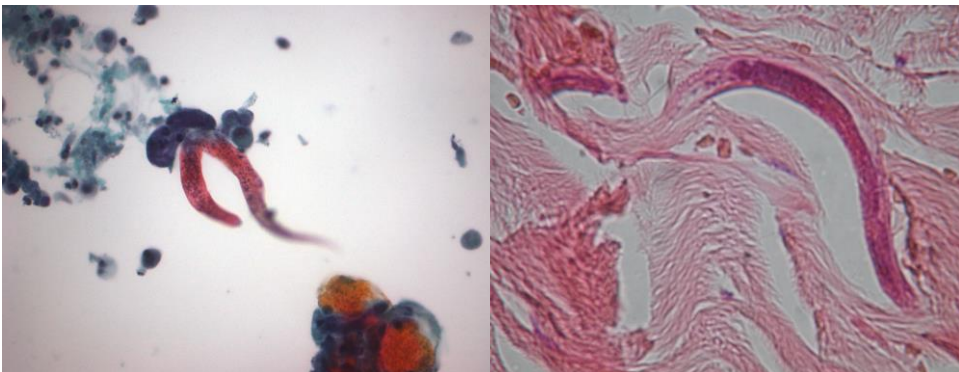
Myeloablative conditioning for younger

Reduced intensity for older

Ishida et al Blood 2012; 120: 1734–41

Bronchoscopy

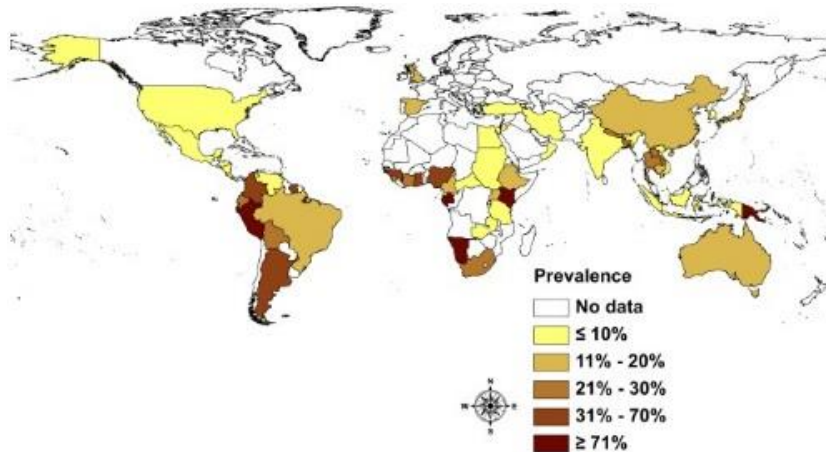
Skin Biopsy



Strongyloides stercoralis hyperinfestation
90% Mortality

All HTLV-1 patients from *Strongyloides* prevalent regions screened and treated with Ivermectin

Global epidemiology of *Strongyloides stercoralis*



Schar *et al* [PLoS Negl Trop Dis](#). 2013 Jul; 7(7): e2288

Summary

HAM – identify early

- Treat with low dose oral Prednisolone
- Pulsed Pred followed by steroid-sparing therapies (anti-CCR4 – potentially)

ATL Chronic and Acute Leukaemic - Initially ZDV/IFN
Lymphomatous – chemotherapy and Allo SCT
Prophylaxis for OIs

Prevent disseminated Strongyloidiasis - Ivermectin

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