

662 Nonmyeloablative Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation with/ or without ⁹⁰yttrium Ibritumomab Tiuxetan (⁹⁰YIT) Is Curative for Relapsed Follicular Lymphoma: Median 9 Year Follow-up Results

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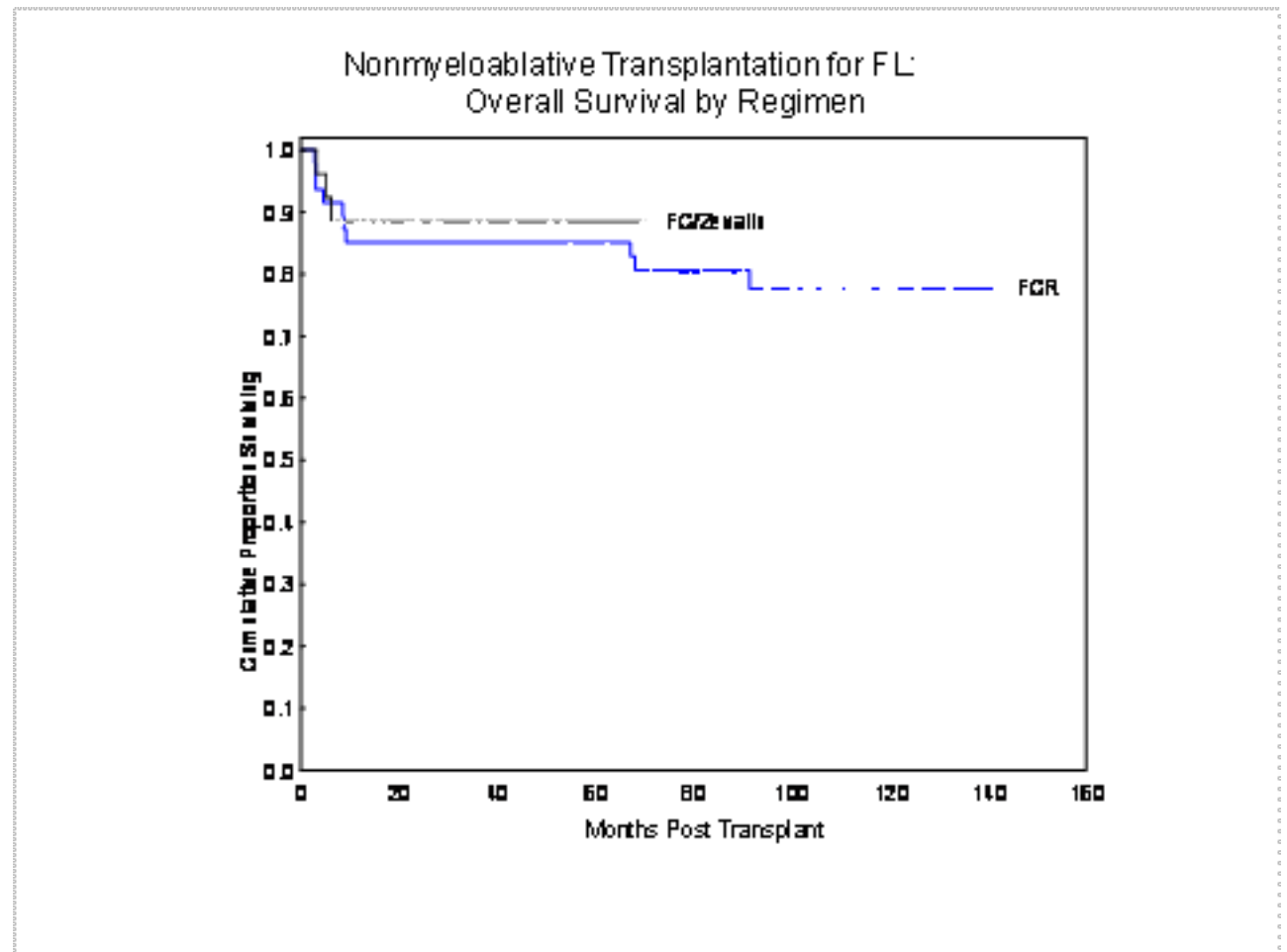
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Purpose: Fludarabine, cyclophosphamide, and rituximab (FCR) has been found to be an effective nonmyeloablative allogeneic conditioning for relapsed/chemosensitive follicular lymphoma (Khouri et al, Blood 2008;111:5530). Innovative strategies were needed to treat patients with refractory disease. To achieve this goal, we added in a subsequent trial ⁹⁰YIT

to the conditioning ($^{90}\text{YIT-FC}$). We now report updated results of the FCR trial (n=47 pts), and outcomes after $^{90}\text{YIT-FC}$ (n=26 pts). **Methods:** FCR regimen: Fludarabine ($30\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$) and cyclophosphamide ($750\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$) were each given daily for 3 days (-5 to -3) before transplantation. Rituximab was given at a dose of $375\text{ mg}/\text{m}^2$ on day -13 and $1000\text{ mg}/\text{m}^2$ on days -6, +1, and +8, as previously described. $^{90}\text{YIT-FC}$: A diagnostic dose of $^{111}\text{In-ibritumomab}$ was administered on day-14, followed by a fixed dose of $0.4\text{ mCi}/\text{kg}$ ^{90}YIT on day -7. FC chemo was then administered at the same dose and schedule (days -5 to -3) as described above. Tacrolimus and methotrexate was used for GVHD prophylaxis. In addition, thymoglobulin of $1\text{ mg}/\text{kg}$ was given on days -2, -1 in pts receiving an unrelated or HLA-mismatched donor. **Results: A. Transplant with FCR.** Median age was 53 years (range, 33-68) years. Median prior treatments was 3 (range, 2-7). At transplant, 96% had chemosensitive disease (38% CR, 62% PR); 15% were PET+; and 53% had IPI = 0. Forty five pts (96%) had a transplant from a matched sibling donor, and 2 from unrelated ones. Since the last update (Blood 2008), one pt had recurrent disease (responded to donor lymphocytes + rituximab); three deaths occurred while pts were in CR: one because of pancreatic cancer (with strong family history), one of infection, and one of unknown causes. With a median follow-up time of 107 months (range, 72-142), the OS and PFS rates at 10-year were 78% (95%CI, 62-87) and 72% (95% CI, 56-83), respectively. Lymphoma-free OS and PFS rates were 82% and 76%, respectively. **B. Transplant with $^{90}\text{YIT-FC}$.** Compared to the FCR group, more pts within this group had refractory disease (non-responding or progressing with chemo-immunotherapy) at transplant (38% vs 4%, respectively, $p<0.001$), were PET+ {44% vs 15%, respectively, $p=0.01$; (expert review by H.A.M)}, and more had a matched unrelated or mismatched transplant (43% vs 4%, respectively, $p<0.001$). Other characteristics such as age, number of prior chemotherapy regimens, time from diagnosis to transplant, were not significantly different between the two groups. With a median follow-up of 23 months (range, 7-70), the 2-year OS and PFS rates were 88% and 85%, respectively, not statistically different from the 2-year OS and PFS of the FCR group (83% and 85%, respectively) ($p=0.9$) (Figure). The 2-year PFS rates for pts with refractory and sensitive disease were 80% and 87%, respectively ($p=0.7$). Findings after the $^{111}\text{In-ibritumomab}$ scans (40% were positive) did not impact outcomes. The incidence of acute II-IV GVHD was 13% in FCR- and 23% in the $^{90}\text{YIT-FC}$ group ($p=0.2$); the rates of acute III-IV GVHD were 2% and 8%, respectively; $p=0.3$. We noticed an unexpected trend for a lower incidence of chronic extensive GVHD in the $^{90}\text{YIT-FC}$ group (24% vs 40%, respectively, $p=0.3$), despite the higher proportion of unrelated transplants in that group. **Conclusions:** Nonmyeloablative allogeneic transplant can induce complete responses lasting over a decade in the majority of patients with relapsed follicular

lymphoma. The addition ⁹⁰YIT to the regimen appears to be particularly effective in relapsed refractory patients.



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