Clinical scenarios in R/R CLL

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Patient 1a

- Age: 68 years
- Sex: Male
- Diagnosis: CLL (age: 64 years)
- *Prior treatment:* FCR (initiated: 65 years)
- *Clinical findings:* Patient reports increased fatigue
- Laboratory findings:
 - WBC count: 130 × 10⁹/L
 - Hemoglobin: 9.7 g/dL
 - Platelet count: 80 × 10⁹/L
- Genetic testing:
 - Unmutated IGHV
 - Normal FISH results
 - Unmutated TP53



- 1. How would you manage this patient?
- 2. What further information would be helpful to inform clinical decision-making?

This is a hypothetical patient case scenario intended for educational purposes only.

CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; FCR, fludarabine, cyclophosphamide, and rituximab; FISH, fluorescence in situ hybridization; IGHV, immunoglobulin heavy chain variable; WBC, white blood cell.

Patient 1b

- Age: 68 years
- Sex: Male
- Diagnosis: CLL (age: 64 years)
- *Prior treatment:* FCR (initiated: 65 years)
- *Clinical findings:* Patient reports increased fatigue
- Laboratory findings:
 - WBC count: 130 × 10⁹/L
 - Hemoglobin: 9.7 g/dL
 - Platelet count: 80 × 10⁹/L
- Genetic testing:
 - Unmutated IGHV
 - Normal FISH results
 - Unmutated *TP53*

How would your approach change if...?

Patient has reduced renal function (CrCl: 40 mL/min/1.73 m²)

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Patient 1c

- Age: 68 years
- Sex: Male
- Diagnosis: CLL (age: 64 years)
- *Prior treatment:* FCR (initiated: 65 years)
- *Clinical findings:* Patient reports increased fatigue
- Laboratory findings:
 - $_{\circ}$ WBC count: 130 × 10⁹/L
 - Hemoglobin: 9.7 g/dL
 - $_{\circ}$ Platelet count: 80 × 10⁹/L
- Genetic testing:
 - Unmutated IGHV
 - Normal FISH results

How would your approach change if...?

FISH results reveal del(17p) and mutated *TP53*

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Patient 1d

- Age: 68 years
- Sex: Male
- Diagnosis: CLL (age: 64 years)
- *Prior treatment:* FCR (initiated: 65 years)
- *Clinical findings:* Patient reports increased fatigue
- Laboratory findings:
 - WBC count: 130 × 10⁹/L
 - Hemoglobin: 9.7 g/dL
 - Platelet count: 80 × 10⁹/L
- Genetic testing:
 - Unmutated IGHV
 - Del(17p)
 - Mutated TP53

How would your approach change if...?

- Patient has chronic hypertension
 - Treatment: Diltiazem once daily
- Patient has recurrent deep vein thrombosis
 - Treatment: Apixaban twice daily

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Patient 2a

- Age: 67 years
- Sex: Female
- Diagnosis: CLL (60 years)
- Prior treatment: Venetoclax–obinutuzumab (initiated: 62 years)
 - Achieved disease remission on trial (maintained for 4 years)
- *Clinical and laboratory findings:* No high-risk disease features
- Clinical reassessment:
 - ALC: 62 × 10⁹/L (previously 35 × 10⁹/L)
 - $_{\circ}$ Hemoglobin: 9.8 g/dL
 - 5 cm palpable spleen



- 1. How would you manage this patient?
- 2. What further information would be helpful to inform clinical decision-making?

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Patient 2b

- Age: 67 years
- Sex: Female
- Diagnosis: CLL (60 years)
- Prior treatment: Venetoclax–obinutuzumab (initiated: 65 years)
 - Achieved disease remission on trial (maintained for 4 years)
- *Clinical and laboratory findings:* No high-risk disease features
- Clinical reassessment:
 - ALC: 62 × 10⁹/L (previously 35 × 10⁹/L)
 - Hemoglobin: 9.8 g/dL
 - 5 cm palpable spleen

How would your approach change if...?

Complete remission was maintained for *1 year* following venetoclax–obinutuzumab

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Patient 2c

- Age: 68 years
- Sex: Female
- Diagnosis: CLL (60 years)
- Prior treatment: Venetoclax–obinutuzumab (initiated: 65 years)
 - Achieved disease remission on trial (maintained for 1 year)
- *Clinical and laboratory findings:* No high-risk disease features
- Clinical reassessment:
 - ALC: 62 × 10⁹/L (previously 35 × 10⁹/L)
 - Hemoglobin: 9.8 g/dL
 - 5 cm palpable spleen

How would you manage this patient if...?

- Patient achieved disease remission with 2L ibrutinib
 - ∘ Maintained for 1 year \rightarrow current
- Patient developed an itchy maculopapular rash on their neck, arms, and trunk
 - Rapidly evolving and non-responsive to steroids and antihistamines

Patient 2d

- Age: 71 years
- Sex: Female
- *Diagnosis:* CLL (60 years) ۲
- Prior treatment: Venetoclax-obinutuzumab (initiated: 65 years)
 - Achieved disease remission on trial (maintained for 1 year)
- Clinical and laboratory findings: ٠ No high-risk disease features
- Clinical reassessment:
 - \sim AI C[•] 62 × 10⁹/I (previously $35 \times 10^{9}/L$)
 - Hemoglobin: 9.8 g/dL 0
 - 5 cm palpable spleen 0

How would you manage this patient if...?



After switching because of ibrutinib intolerance, the patient is maintained on a next-generation BTK inhibitor for 3 years before experiencing sudden weight loss and enlarged lymph nodes

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Patient 2e

- Age: 71 years
- Sex: Female
- Diagnosis: CLL (60 years)
- Prior treatment: Venetoclax–obinutuzumab (initiated: 65 years)
 - Achieved disease remission on trial (maintained for 1 year)
- *Clinical and laboratory findings:* No high-risk disease features
- Clinical reassessment:
 - ALC: 62 × 10⁹/L (previously 35 × 10⁹/L)
 - Hemoglobin: 9.8 g/dL
 - 5 cm palpable spleen

How would you manage this patient if...?

- Confirmed DLBCL transformation during subsequent treatment with a next-generation BTK inhibitor
 - B symptoms
 - PET scan: Left axillary ¹⁸F-FDG uptake with an SUV of 12
 - Biopsy confirmation

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ALC, absolute lymphocyte count; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; FDG, fluorodeoxyglucose; PET, positron emission tomography; SUV, standardized uptake value.