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# Proteasome Inhibitor Treatment Response can be Predicted by Gene Expression Profiling in Multiple Myeloma

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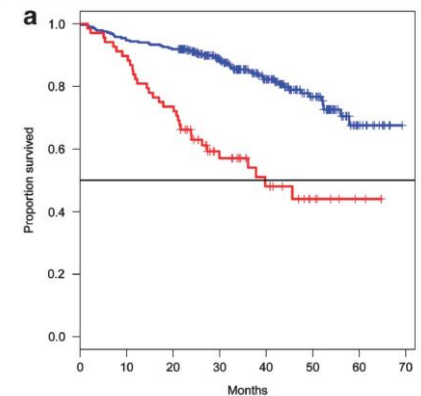
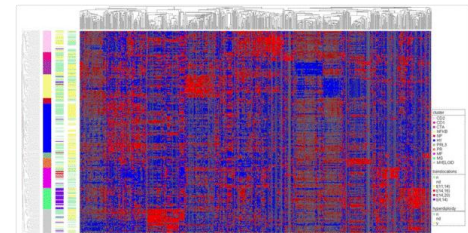
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- Multiple Myeloma (MM)
  - Is not a single disease
  - Outcome varies per subtype
  - Clinical, ISS and genetic markers
  - Gene Expression Profiling (GEP) “risk stratification” is powerful and robust<sup>1-4</sup>
  - *Guideline: “GEP signatures may be capable of discerning prognosis and helping rational therapeutic decisions.”<sup>5</sup>*
- Utility of the markers in the Clinic → Personalized Medicine
  - Prognostic markers may be used for Risk Stratified Treatment (RST)
  - Predictive markers should help in Marker Stratified Treatment (MST)

## Not a single disease



1 Zhan et al., Neoplasia 2006  
2 Broyl et al., Blood 2008  
3 Kuiper et al., Leukemia 2012  
4 van Vliet et al., EHA 2013, abstract S580  
5 NCCN v1.2014

- Indications for predictive use of iFISH markers
  - t(4;14), gain(1q), del(17p) have OS benefit from Bortezomib<sup>1,3</sup>
- Indications for predictive use of a GEP marker
  - Cereblon: low expression is a predictor for IMiD resistance<sup>4-6</sup>

A wealth of GEP data is available from clinical research, and therefore many more GEP markers can be evaluated for their predictive potential

1 Avet-Loiseau *et al.*, JCO 2010

2 Goldschmidt *et al.*, ASH 2010, abstract 305

3 Sonneveld *et al.*, JCO 2012

4 Zhu *et al.*, Blood 2011

5 Broyl *et al.*, Blood 2013

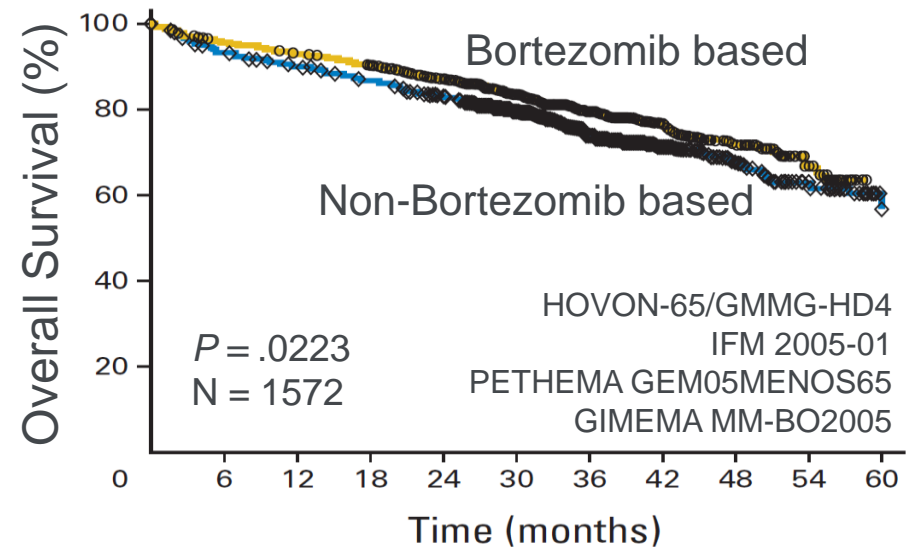
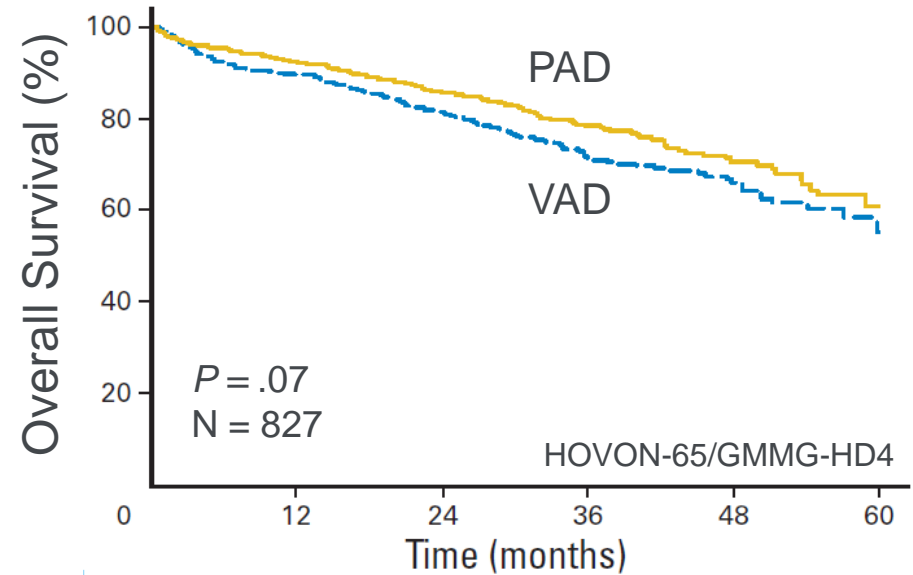
6 Shuster *et al.*, Leuk Res 2014

## Research Question

Can GEP Markers Predict Outcome to  
Proteasome Inhibitor Treatment?

# PAD/Bortezomib Improves Overall Survival

- HOVON-65/GMMG-HD4<sup>1,2</sup>
  - Phase 3 trial, 2 arms:
    - VAD (Vincristine, Dox, Dex)
    - PAD (Bortezomib, Dox, Dex)
  - Improved OS for PAD/Bortezomib<sup>3,4</sup>
- Subtype assessment using GEP markers
  - GEP data available for 329 patients
  - Cox proportional hazards model using OS and treatment arm (VAD/PAD)



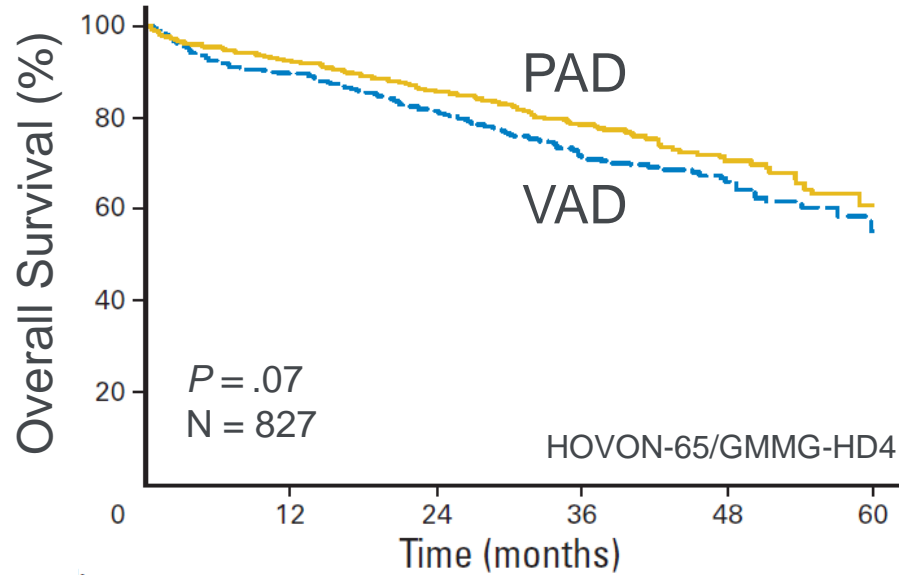
1 Broyl *et al.*, Blood 2008

2 Sonneveld *et al.*, ASH 2013, abstract 404

3 Sonneveld *et al.*, JCO 2012

4 Sonneveld *et al.*, JCO 2013

# Who Benefits from Treatment?



Small benefit for all?



Large benefit for subtype(s)?

# 20 GEP Markers Explored for Their Predictive Potential

- Each patient is assessed for each of the following 20 GEP markers
- Assess survival difference between treatment arms in each subtype

## High risk signature<sup>1</sup>

EMC92/SKY92

## Virtual Karyotyping<sup>2</sup>

Virtual t(4;14)

Virtual t(11;14)

Virtual t(14;16)/t(14;20)

Virtual del(13q)

Virtual gain(1q)

Virtual Hyperdiploid

Virtual del(17p)

## Cluster Classifiers<sup>2</sup>

Cluster MS

Cluster MF

Cluster CD2

Cluster CD1

Cluster CTA

Cluster NFKB

Cluster NP

Cluster HY

Cluster PRL3

Cluster PR

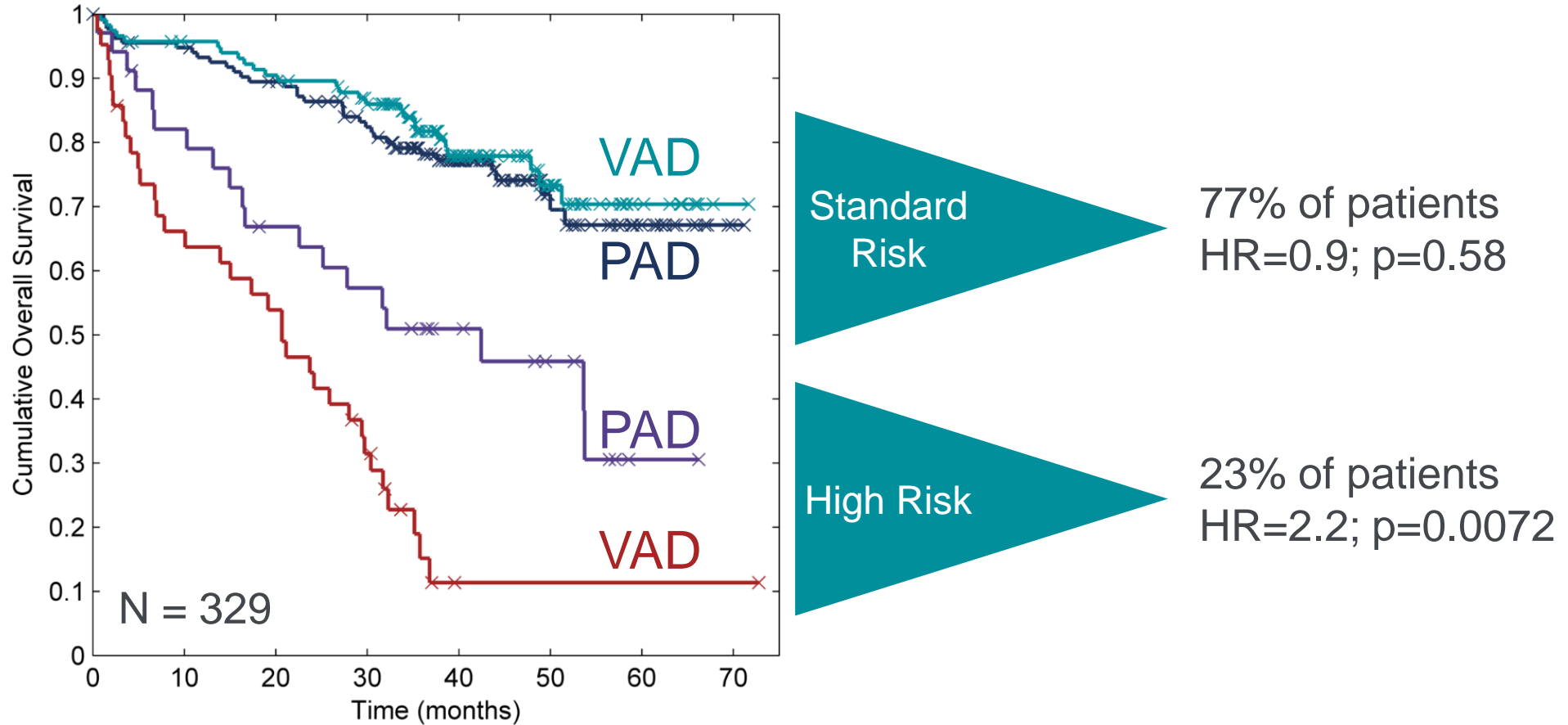
Cluster LB

Cluster Myeloid

1 Kuiper *et al.*, Leukemia 2012

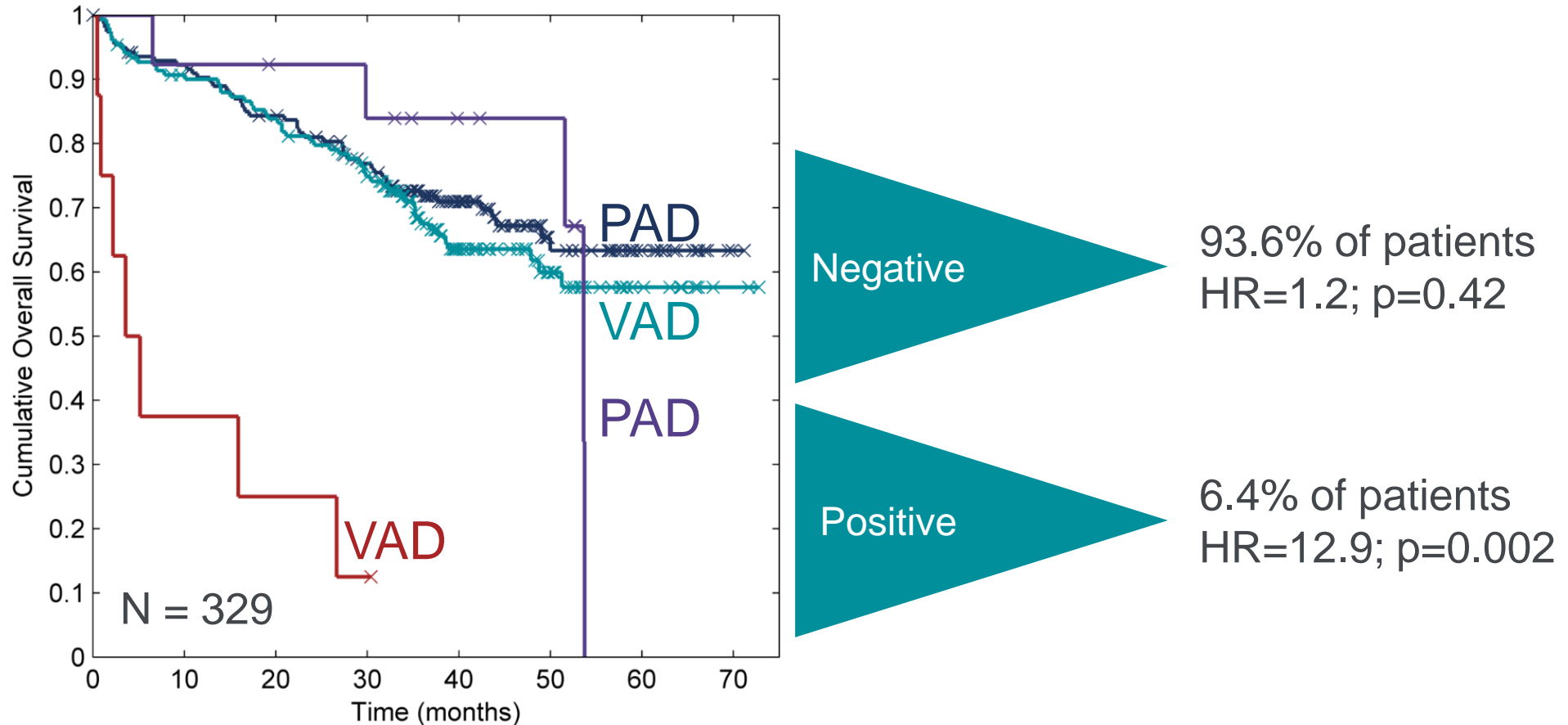
2 van Vliet *et al.*, EHA 2013, abstract P234





- ✓ EMC92/SKY92 predictive for Bortezomib treatment outcome
- ✓ Large benefit for subtype

# MF Cluster Predictive for Bortezomib Treatment Outcome



- ✓ MF Cluster predictive for Bortezomib treatment outcome
- ✓ Large benefit for subtype

# Five GEP Markers predictive for Proteasome Inhibition Outcome

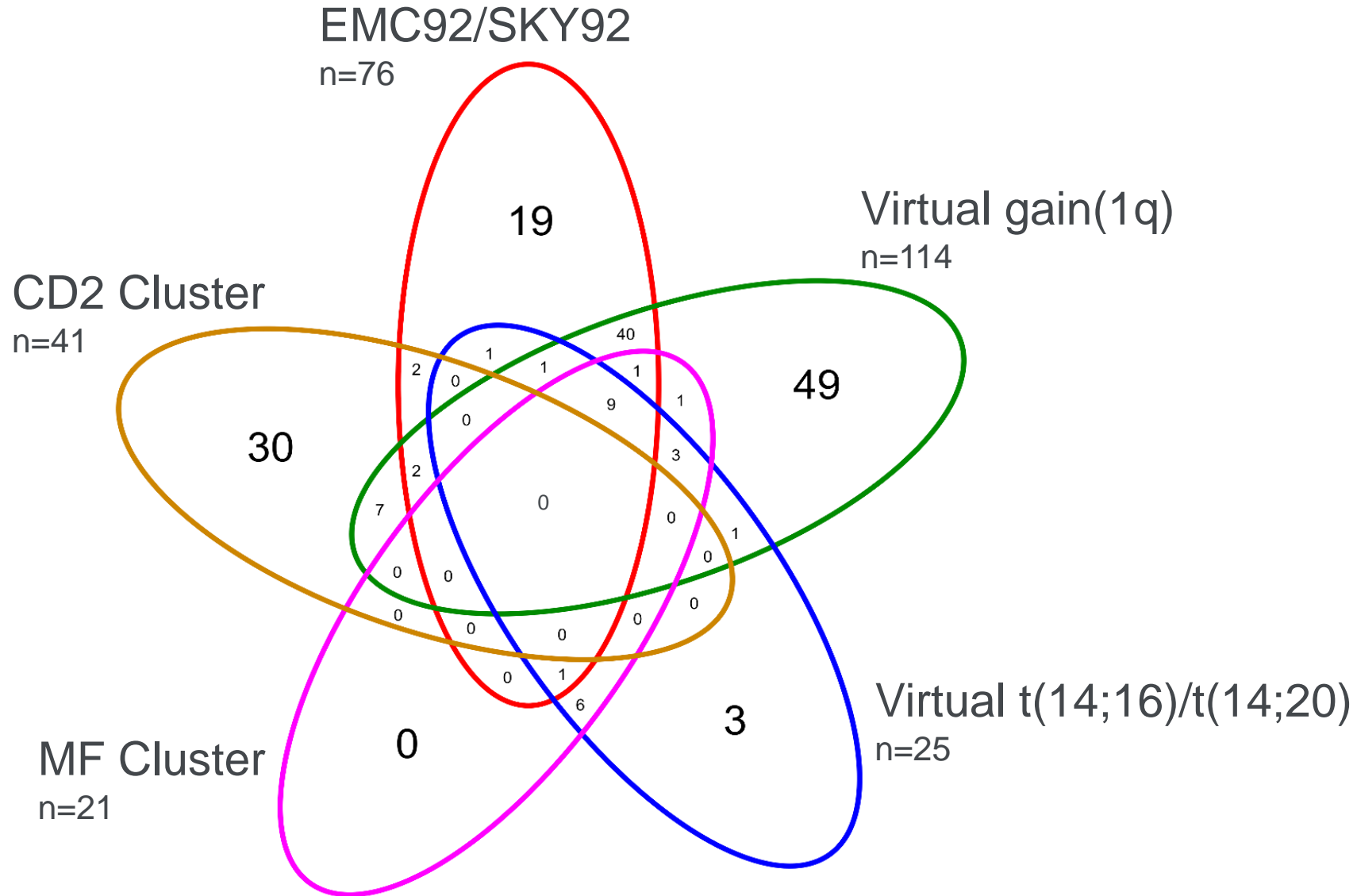
High risk signature	HR	p
<b>EMC92/SKY92</b>	<b>2.21</b>	<b>0.007</b>

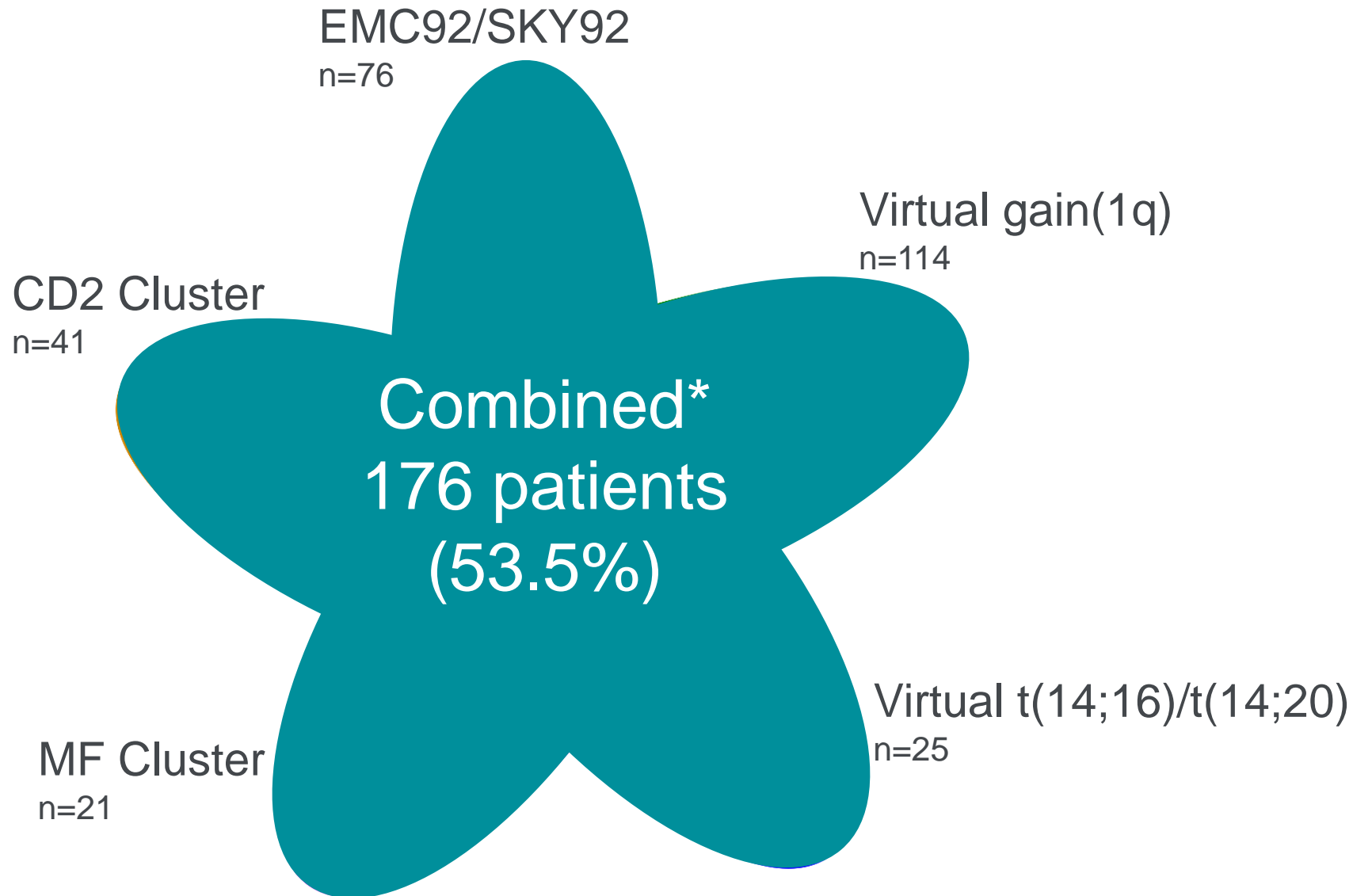
Virtual Karyotyping	HR	p
Virtual t(4;14)	1.83	0.146
Virtual t(11;14)	2.06	0.100
<b>Virtual t(14;16)/t(14;20)</b>	<b>7.86</b>	<b>0.003</b>
Virtual del(13q)	1.57	0.075
<b>Virtual gain(1q)</b>	<b>2.49</b>	<b>0.002</b>
Virtual Hyperdiploid	1.05	0.876
Virtual del(17p)	1.44	0.146

**Red: p<0.05**

Cluster Classifiers	HR	p
Cluster MS	1.63	0.281
<b>Cluster MF</b>	<b>12.88</b>	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Cluster CD2</b>	<b>4.42</b>	<b>0.015</b>
Cluster CD1	1.44	0.141
Cluster CTA	1.38	0.701
Cluster NFkB	2.31	0.121
Cluster NP	1.61	0.102
Cluster HY	0.84	0.673
Cluster PRL3	1.07	0.818
Cluster PR	0.96	0.920
Cluster LB	3.31	0.301
Cluster Myeloid	0.72	0.523

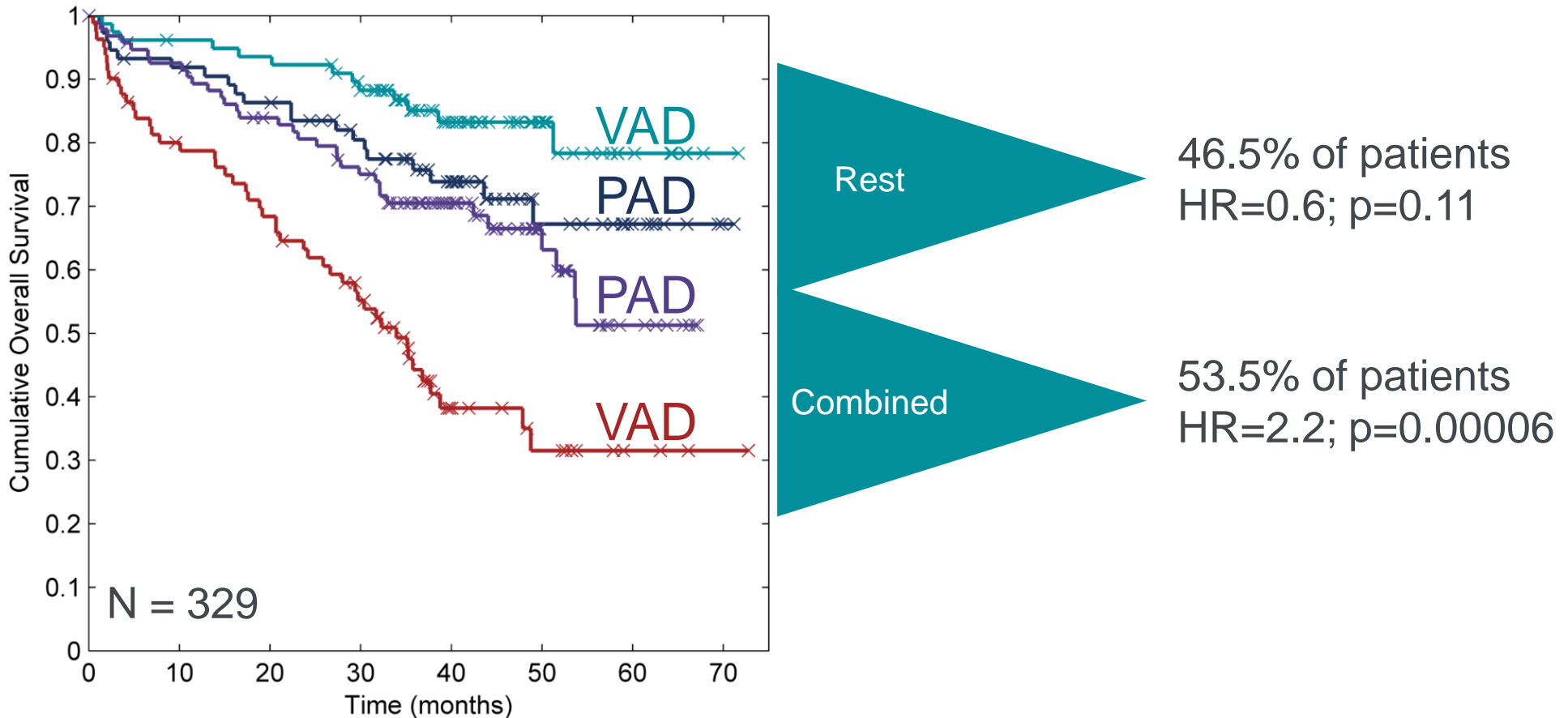
- ✓ Five GEP markers predict significantly longer OS on PAD
- ✓ Preliminary data for other proteasome inhibitors





\* positive for one or more of the five GEP markers

# Combined Predictive for Bortezomib Treatment Outcome



- ✓ Specific GEP markers can predict outcome to proteasome inhibitor treatment in MM
- ✓ No treatment benefit for all, but large benefit for subtypes

- ✓ Validation planned using EMN-02 trial
- ✓ Clinical trials should incorporate and evaluate GEP markers for prediction of treatment effectiveness



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Patients, hospitals, and staff participating in  
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# Thank you

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