

# Latest Results from an Ongoing First-in-Human Phase 1a/b Study of NX-5948, a Selective Bruton's Tyrosine Kinase (BTK) Degradator, in Patients with Relapsed/Refractory CLL and Other B-cell Malignancies

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# Unmet Clinical Need: Relapsed/Refractory CLL

Acquired resistance to BTK inhibitors presents a growing challenge in the treatment of CLL

- Targeted therapy focusing on two key pathways (BTK/BCL2) is standard of care in CLL and has changed the treatment landscape in front-line and relapsed/refractory settings
- Emerging patterns of resistance limit the utility of currently available therapies:
  - BTK mutations confer resistance to both covalent and non-covalent BTK inhibitors (cBTKi and ncBTKi)<sup>1</sup>
  - Some mutations lead to ‘kinase dead’ or ‘kinase overactive’ BTK mutants with intact B-cell receptor signaling through a scaffolding function of BTK<sup>2</sup>

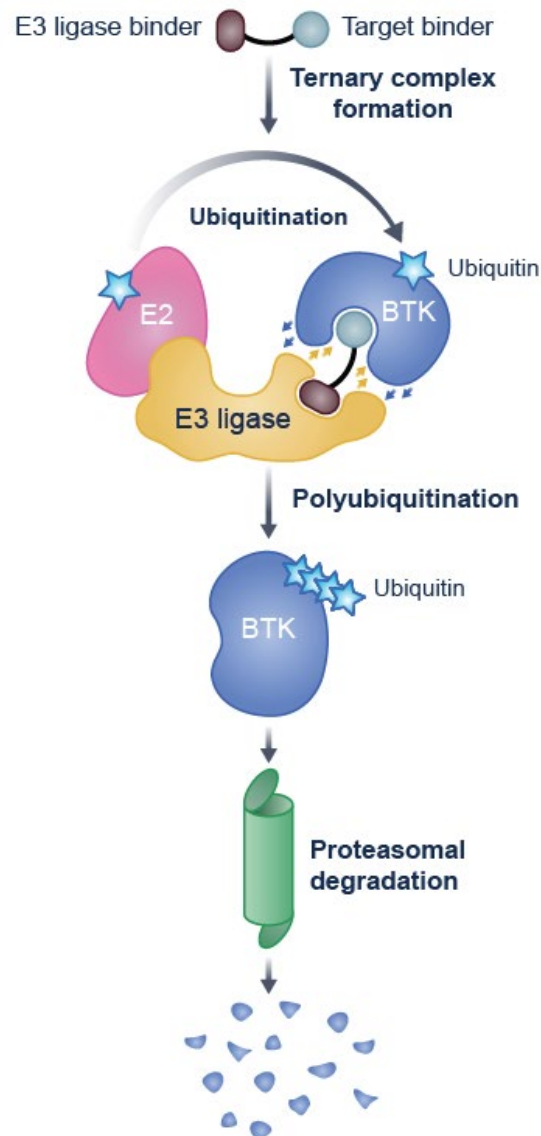
**There is a need for a new treatment modality that can target both emerging resistant mutations and BTK scaffolding activity**

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# NX-5948 Mechanism of Action

Utilize the ubiquitin-proteasome pathway to degrade BTK, a well-validated target in B-cell malignancies



BTK degraders can overcome treatment-emergent resistance mutations

BTK degraders address BTK scaffolding function

BTK degraders show emerging activity in various B-cell malignancies

BTK degraders have the potential to replace BTK inhibitors in the clinic

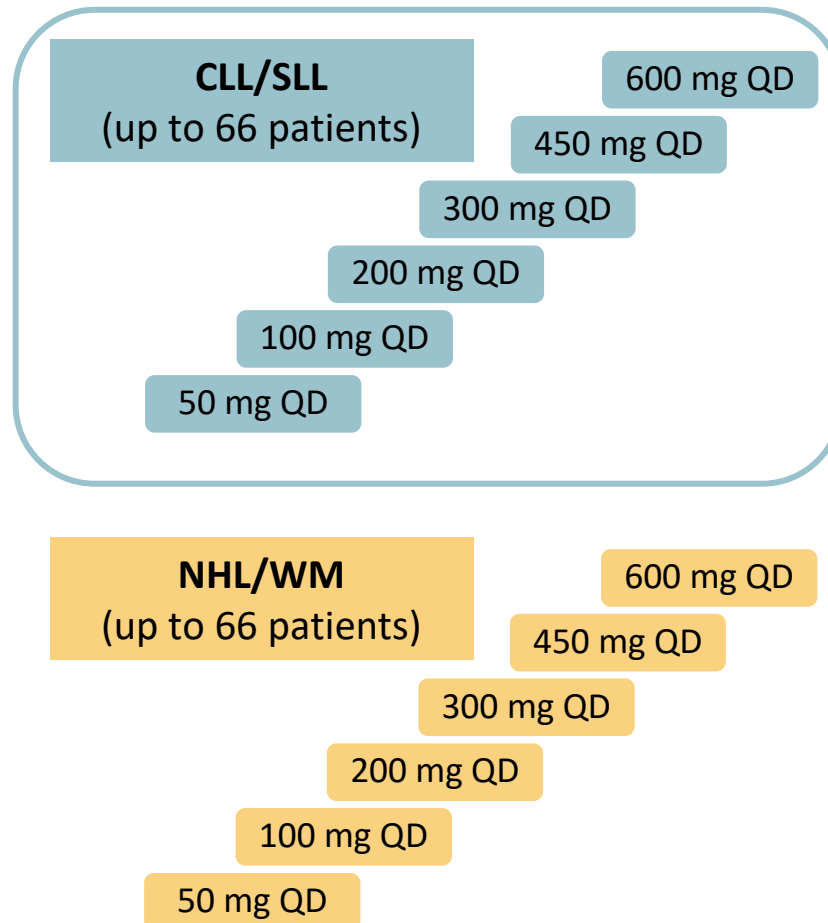
# NX-5948-301: Trial Design

Phase 1a/b trial in adults with relapsed/refractory B-cell malignancies

## Phase 1a dose escalation

### Key eligibility criteria

- Age ≥18 years
- Relapsed/Refractory disease
- ≥2 prior lines of therapy (≥1 for PCNSL)
- ECOG PS 0–1 (ECOG PS 0–2 for PCNSL)

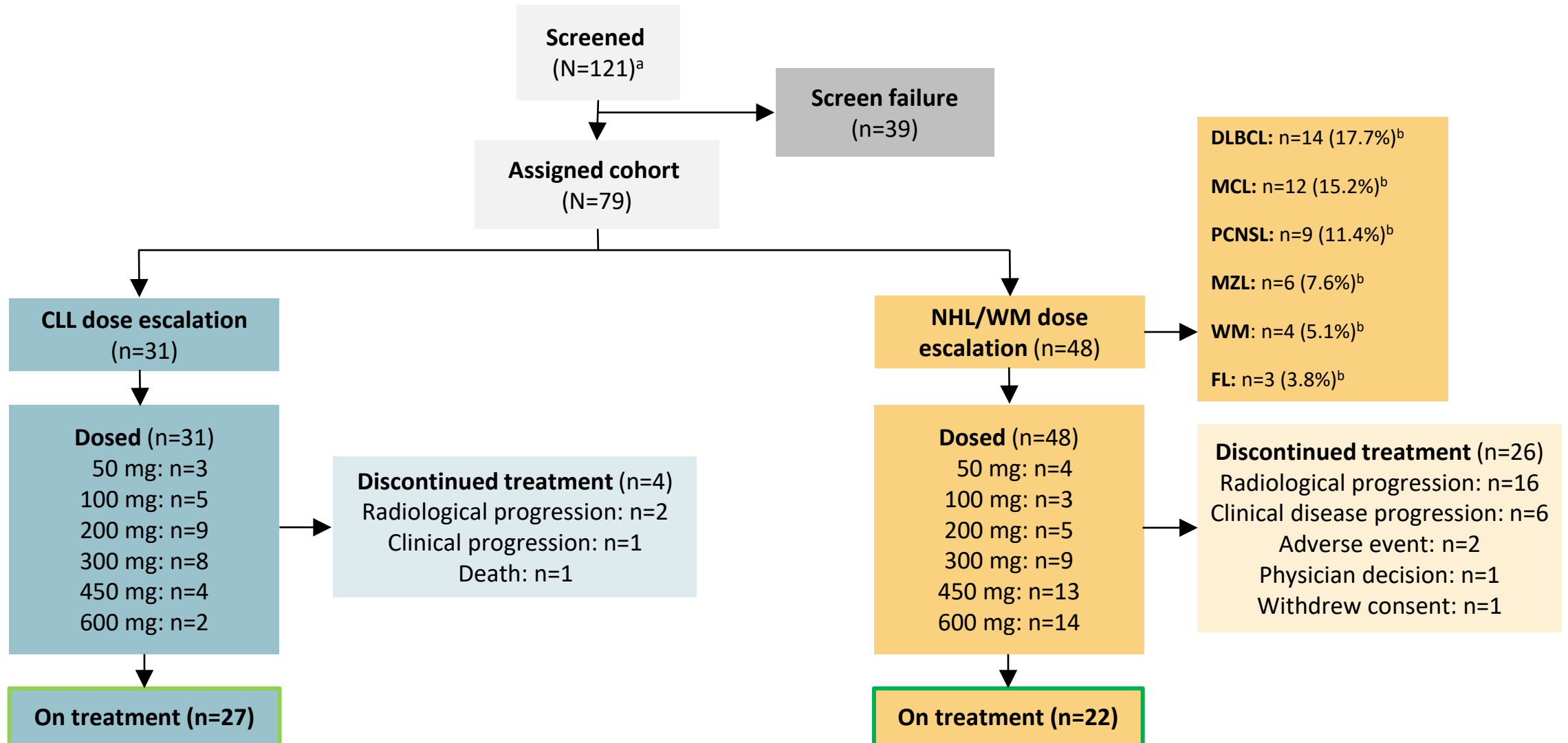


## Potential Phase 1b dose expansion (N = up to 160 patients)

CLL/SLL dose A Prior BTKi and BCL2i	CLL/SLL dose B Prior BTKi and BCL2i
<b>MCL</b> Prior BTKi and anti-CD20 CIT	
<b>MZL</b> Prior anti-CD20 CIT and ≥2 prior LoT	
<b>WM</b> Prior BTKi and ≥2 prior LoT	
<b>DLBCL</b> Prior anthracycline, anti-CD20 CIT + 1 LoT	
<b>FL</b> Prior anti-CD20 CIT + 1 LoT	
<b>PCNSL/SCNSL</b> Who have progressed or had no response to ≥1 prior LoT	

# Patient Disposition

Patients were dosed in CLL (n=31) and NHL/WM (n=48) dose-escalation cohorts



<sup>a</sup>Includes 3 patients at screening but not yet enrolled on study at time of data cutoff; <sup>b</sup>Percent of total patient population

# Baseline Demographics/Disease Characteristics

Elderly population with multiple prior lines of targeted therapies

Characteristics	Patients with CLL (n=31)	Patients with NHL/WM (n=48)	Overall population (N=79)
Median age, years (range)	69.0 (35–88)	66.5 (42–87)	67.0 (35–88)
Male, n (%)	19 (61.3)	33 (68.8)	52 (65.8)
ECOG PS, n (%)			
0	13 (41.9)	13 (27.1)	26 (32.9)
1	18 (58.1)	33 (68.8)	51 (64.6)
CNS involvement, n (%)	2 (6.5)	10 (20.8)	12 (15.2)
Median prior lines of therapy (range)	4.0 (2–14)	4.0 (2–13)	4.0 (2–14)
Previous treatments <sup>a</sup> , n (%)			
BTKi	30 (96.8)	29 (60.4)	59 (74.7)
≥2 BTKi	11 (35.5)	NA	NA
Pirtobrutinib	7 (22.6)	7 (14.6)	14 (17.7)
BCL2i	28 (90.3)	7 (14.6)	35 (44.3)
BTKi and BCL2i	27 (87.1)	7 (14.6)	34 (43.0)
CAR-T therapy	2 (6.5)	11 (22.9)	13 (16.5)
Bispecific antibody	1 (3.2)	7 (14.6)	8 (10.1)
PI3Ki	9 (29.0)	4 (8.3)	13 (16.5)
Chemo/chemo-immunotherapies	24 (77.4)	48 (100.0)	72 (91.1)
Mutation status, n (%)			
TP53	14/30 (46.7)	4/42 (9.5)	18/72 (25.0)
BTK	13/30 (43.3)	0/42 (0.0)	13/72 (18.1)
PLCG2	6/30 (20.0)	2/42 (4.8)	8/72 (11.1)

<sup>a</sup>Patients could have received multiple prior treatments; **NA**, not applicable; **PI3Ki**, PI3 kinase inhibitor; **CAR-T**, chimeric antigen receptor T-cell.

# NX-5948 Is Well Tolerated

TEAEs in ≥10% of overall population or grade ≥3 TEAEs or SAEs in >1 patient

TEAEs, n (%)	Patients with CLL (n=31)			Overall population (N=79)		
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	SAEs	Any grade	Grade ≥3	SAEs
Purpura/contusion <sup>a</sup>	13 (41.9)	–	–	28 (35.4)	–	–
Thrombocytopenia <sup>b</sup>	7 (22.6)	1 (3.2)	–	21 (26.6)	7 (8.9)	–
Neutropenia <sup>c</sup>	7 (22.6)	6 (19.4)	–	16 (20.3)	12 (15.2)	–
Fatigue	7 (22.6)	–	–	14 (17.7)	2 (2.5)	–
Anemia	6 (19.4)	1 (3.2)	–	13 (16.5)	3 (3.8)	–
Petechiae	7 (22.6)	–	–	13 (16.5)	–	–
Rash <sup>d</sup>	8 (25.8)	–	1 (3.2)	13 (16.5)	1 (1.3)	1 (1.3)
Headache	6 (19.4)	–	–	12 (15.2)	–	–
Cough	4 (12.9)	–	–	11 (13.9)	1 (1.3)	–
Diarrhea	5 (16.1)	1 (3.2)	–	9 (11.4)	1 (1.3)	–
COVID-19 <sup>e</sup>	2 (6.5)	–	–	8 (10.1)	2 (2.5)	2 (2.5)
Hypertension	1 (3.2)	1 (3.2)	–	6 (7.6)	4 (5.1)	–
Pneumonia <sup>f</sup>	2 (6.5)	1 (3.2)	1 (3.2)	5 (6.3)	4 (5.1)	4 (5.1)

- 1 DLT (non-protocol mandated drug hold; NHL)
- 2 TEAEs resulting in drug discontinuation (both NHL)
- 1 related SAE (TLS based on labs, no clinical sequelae)
- Grade 5 AE (pulmonary embolism, not deemed NX-5948 related)
- No additional safety signal with higher doses

<sup>a</sup>Purpura/contusion includes episodes of contusion or purpura; <sup>b</sup>Aggregate of 'thrombocytopenia' and 'platelet count decreased'; <sup>c</sup>Aggregate of 'neutrophil count decreased' or 'neutropenia';

<sup>d</sup>Aggregate of 'rash' and 'rash maculopapular' and 'rash pustular'; <sup>e</sup>Aggregate of 'COVID-19' and 'COVID-19 pneumonia'; <sup>f</sup>Aggregate of 'pneumonia' and 'pneumonia klebsiella'

AE, adverse event; TEAE, treatment emergent adverse event; DLT, dose-limiting toxicity; SAE, serious adverse event; TLS, tumor lysis syndrome.

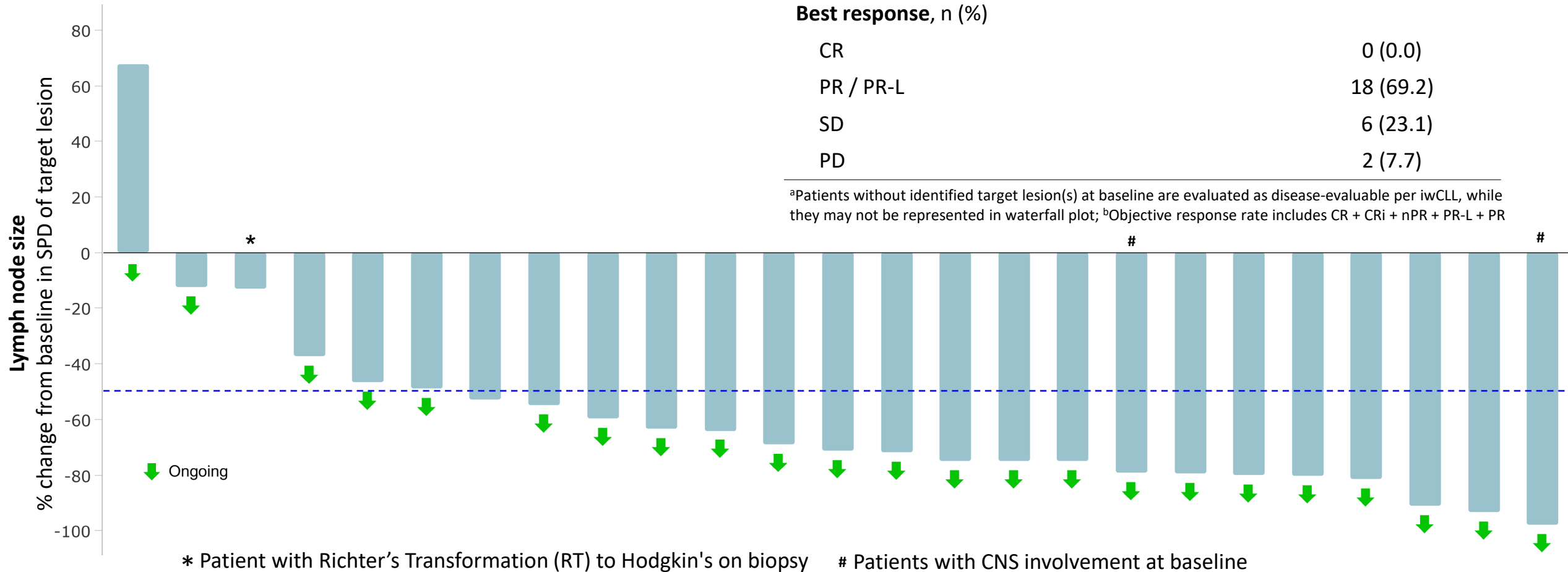


# NX-5948 Efficacy: Clinical Response

Broad antitumor activity in CLL as demonstrated by significant lymph node reduction and ORR

CLL disease-evaluable patients <sup>a</sup>	n=26
<b>Objective response rate (ORR)<sup>b</sup>, % (95% CI)</b>	69.2 (48.2–85.7)
<b>Best response, n (%)</b>	
CR	0 (0.0)
PR / PR-L	18 (69.2)
SD	6 (23.1)
PD	2 (7.7)

<sup>a</sup>Patients without identified target lesion(s) at baseline are evaluated as disease-evaluable per iwCLL, while they may not be represented in waterfall plot; <sup>b</sup>Objective response rate includes CR + CRi + nPR + PR-L + PR

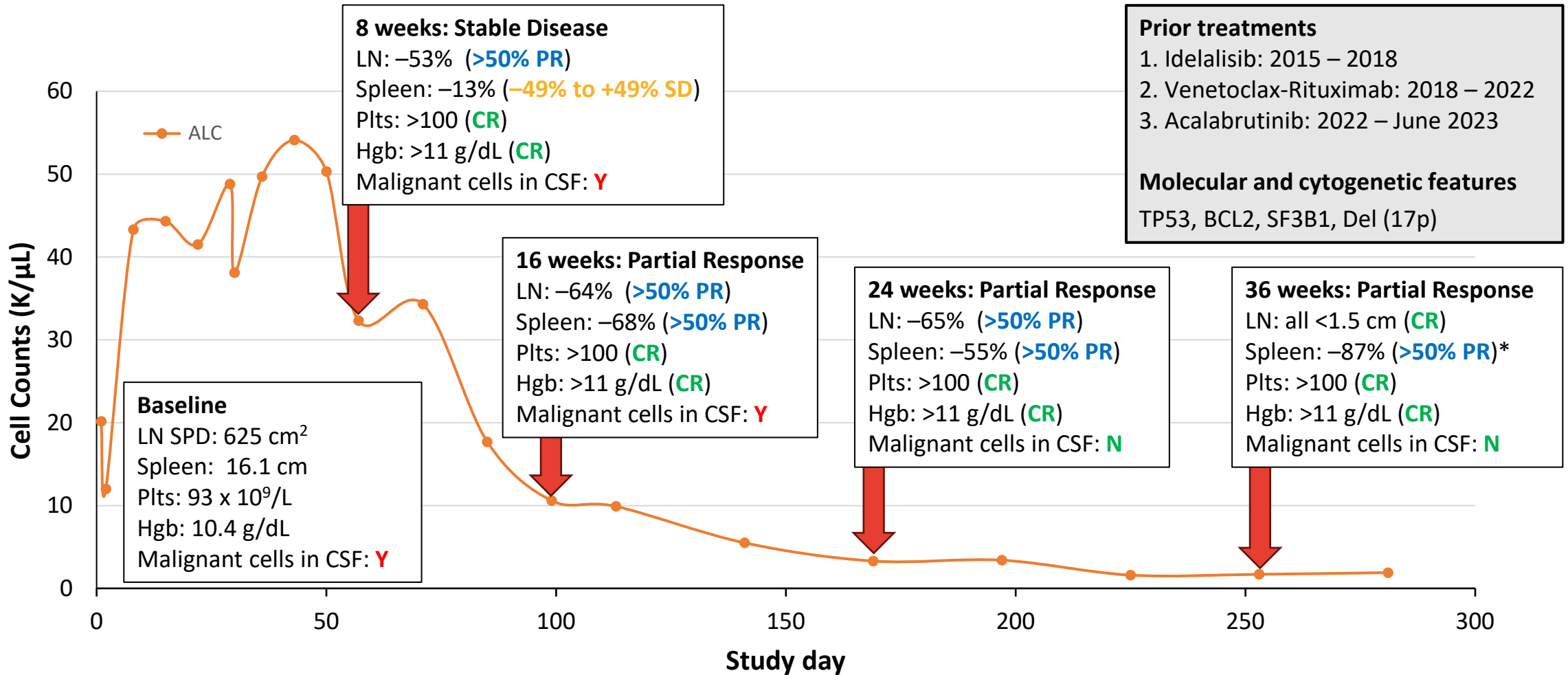


SPD, sum of products diameters; CR, complete response; CRi, complete response with incomplete marrow recovery; PR, partial response; nPR, nodular partial response; PR-L, partial response with rebound lymphocytosis; SD, stable disease; PD, progressive disease.



# Case Study: Patient with CLL and CNS Involvement

Deepening response over time approaching complete response criteria



\*Normal spleen: 13 cm; 36 week: 13.4 cm

The overall response assessments are from the investigators while the individual parameter response assessment criteria are calculated per iwCLL from the data entered

LN, lymph nodes; Plts, platelets; Hgb, hemoglobin; CSF, cerebrospinal fluid

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# Mutation Status and BTK Degradation

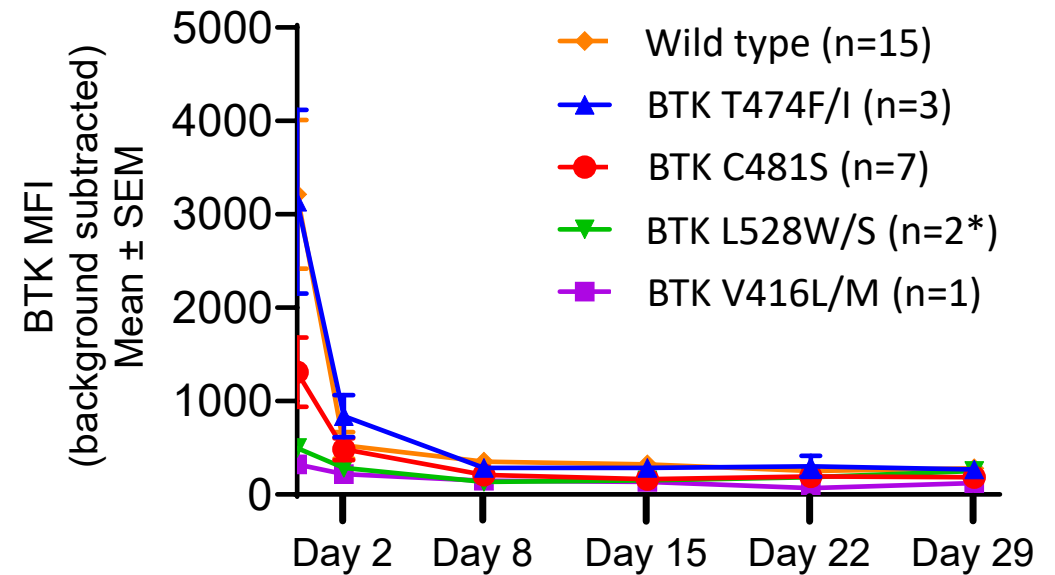
NX-5948 induces rapid and robust degradation of wild-type and mutant BTK

	Patients with CLL (n=30)
Mutation status, n (%)	
BTK <sup>a</sup>	13 (43.3)
C481S	7 (23.3)
L528 <sup>b</sup>	2 (6.7)
T474 <sup>c</sup>	3 (10.0)
V416 <sup>d</sup>	1 (3.3)
G541V	1 (3.3)

<sup>a</sup>Patients could have multiple BTK mutations; BTK mutations were tested at baseline by NGS centrally.  $\geq 5\%$  allelic frequency is reported.

<sup>b</sup>L528W, L528S; <sup>c</sup>T474F, T474I; <sup>d</sup>V416L, V416M.

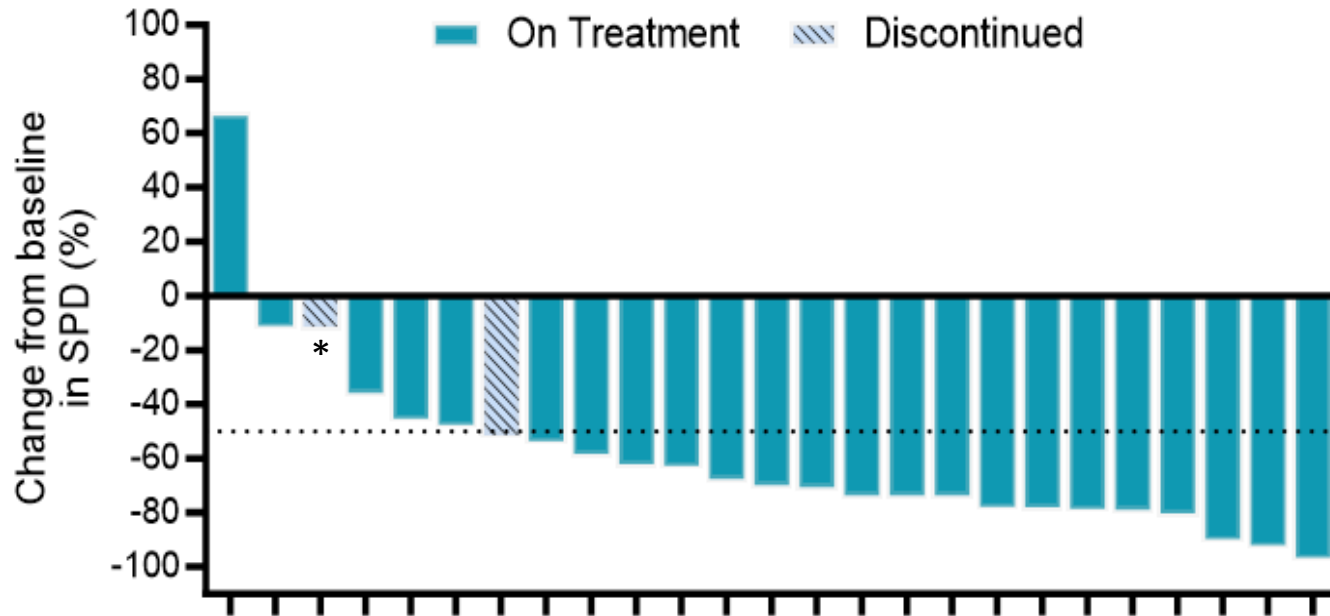
## BTK degradation in CLL with *BTK* mutations



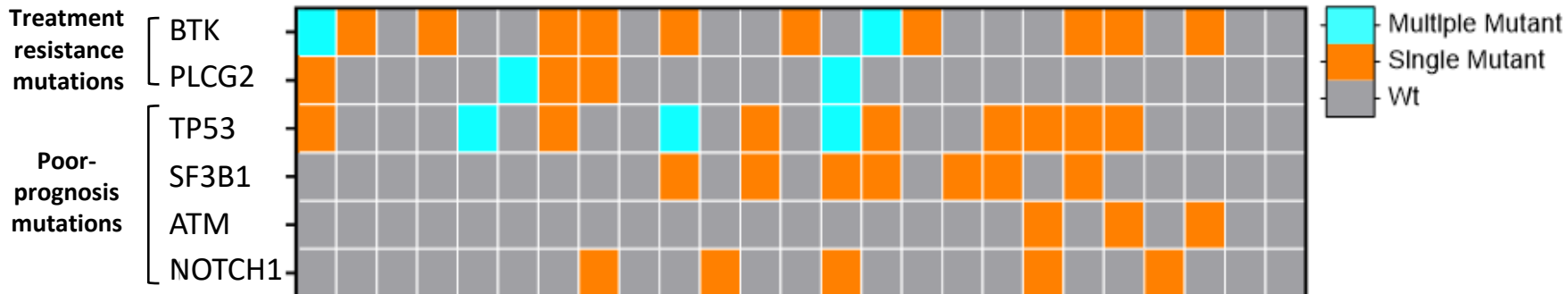
\*1 patient has both BTK L528S and G541S

# Clinical Activity in Patients with Baseline Mutations

Treatment resistance and poor-prognosis genetic mutations



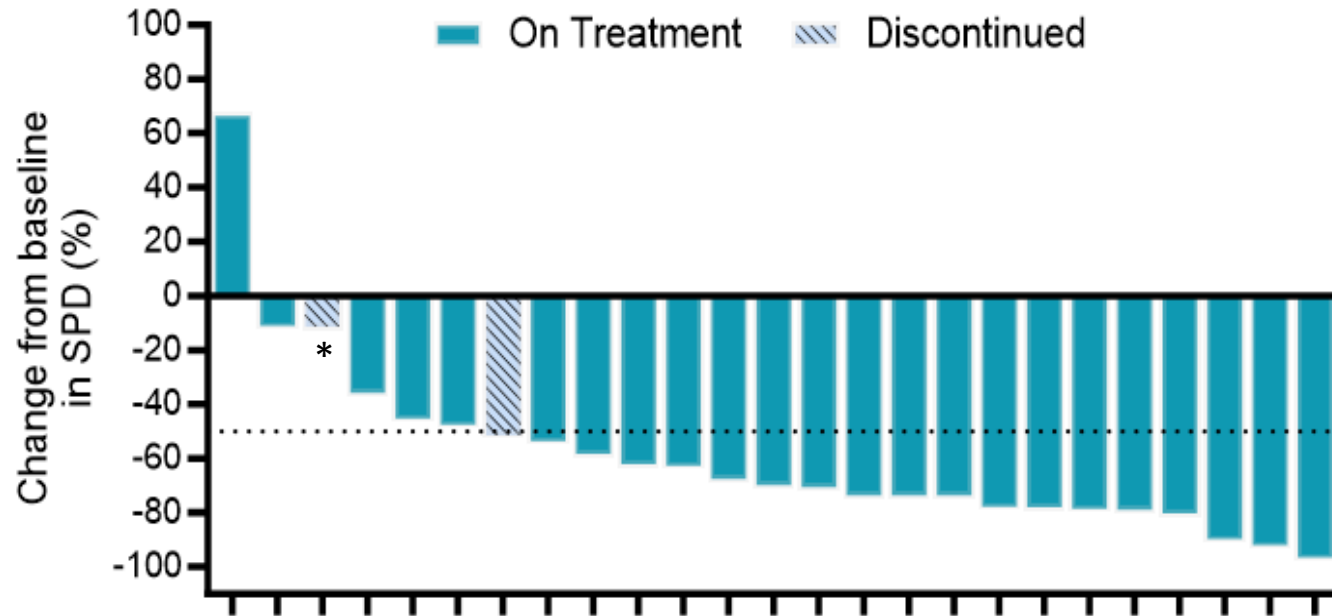
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\*Patient with Richter's transformation to Hodgkin's on biopsy

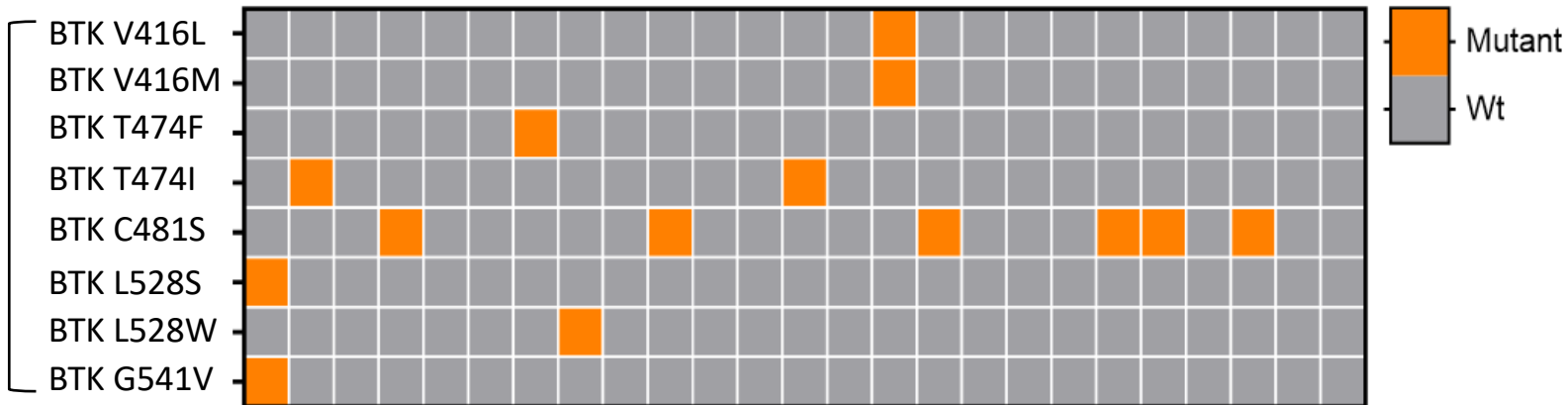
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**BTK mutations**  
(43% of patients)



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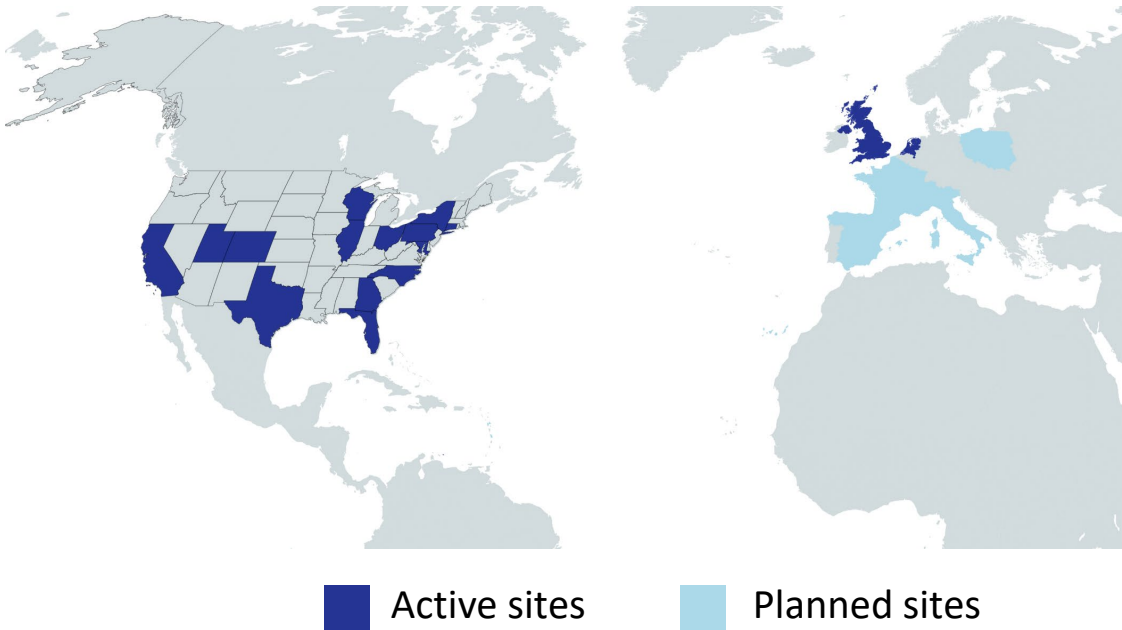
# Conclusions:

Positive results from the ongoing Phase 1 study of novel BTK degrader NX-5948

- NX-5948 was well tolerated in patients with NHL and CLL, with no increased safety signal at higher doses
- Deep and durable clinical responses were observed in a difficult-to-treat CLL patient population:
  - Heavily pretreated patient population with unfavorable genetic mutations associated with poor prognosis and BTK inhibitor resistance mutations
  - Robust clinical activity in patients with CLL with 69.2% ORR and all responses ongoing as of April 17, 2024:
    - Rapid responses - majority of responses (15/18) seen at the first scan (8 weeks)
    - Durable and deepening responses with longer time on treatment (27/31 patients still on study)
    - No patient profile associated with intrinsic resistance to NX-5948
- These data support the continued development of NX-5948 in the treatment of CLL where Phase 1b dose expansion is planned. Additional data in NHL/WM will be presented in 2H 2024

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