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# Lymphomas – lymphoproliferative disorders (I)



# Outline

- Epidemiology
- Etiology, pathogenesis
- Pathological and clinical classification
- Diagnostics and natural history
- Staging
- Therapy

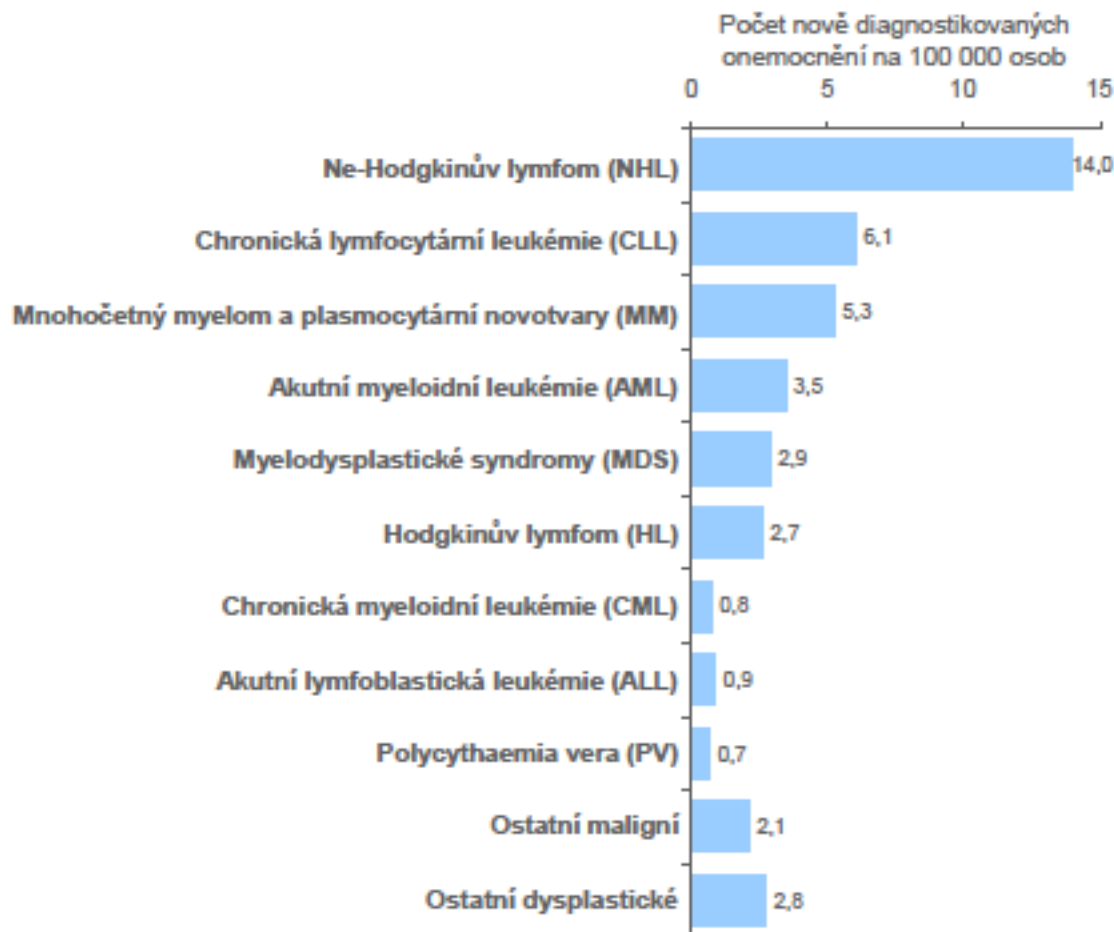


## Which one of these statements is correct?

1. Lymphoproliferative diseases are mostly diseases of young people  
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2. 10-year survival is approximately 20%  
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3. 10-year survival is 3 times better than 40 years ago  
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4. 50% of lymphoproliferative disorders is preventable  
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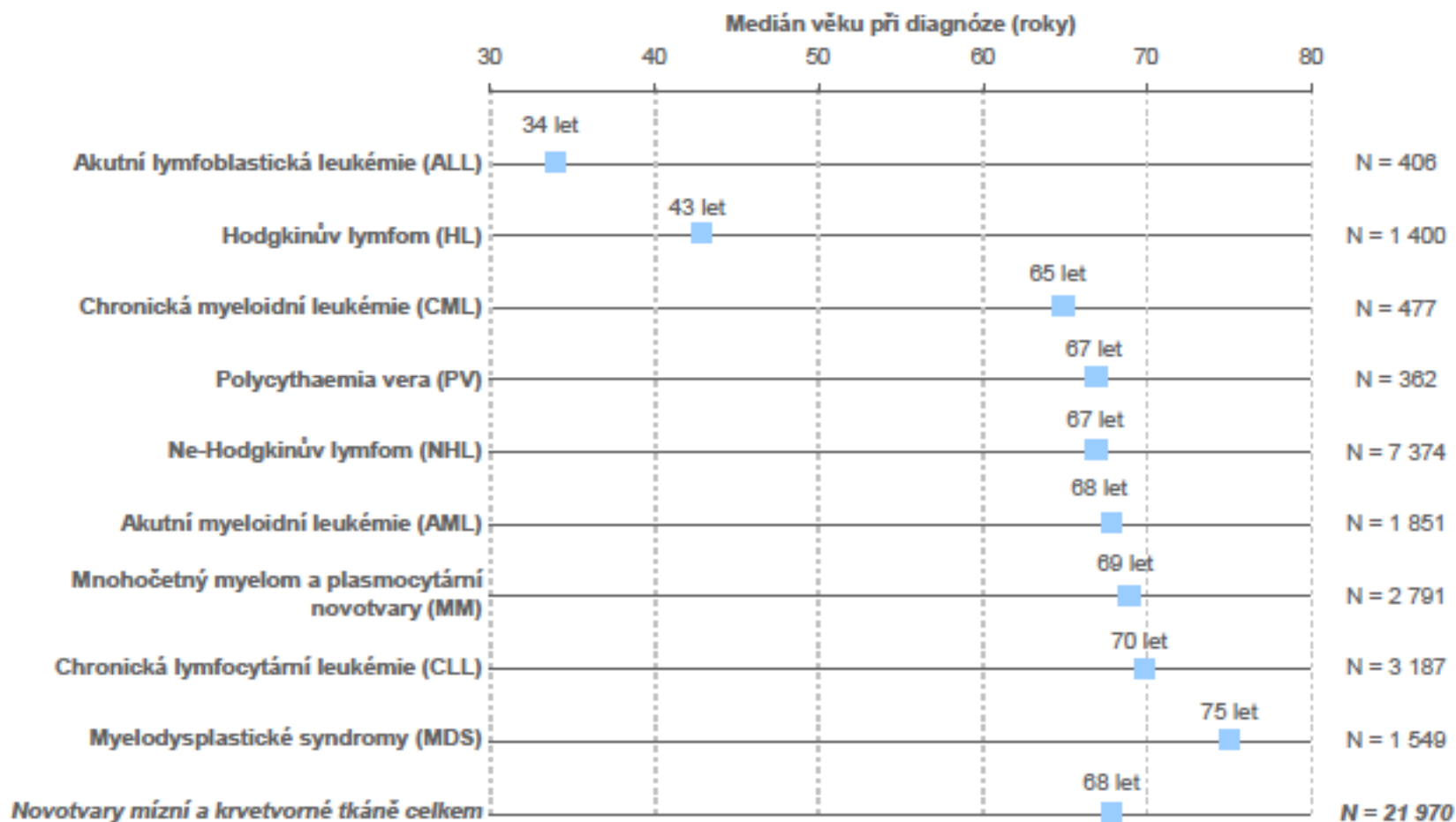


## Incidence novotvarů mízní a krvetvorné tkáně v České republice v letech 2011–2015





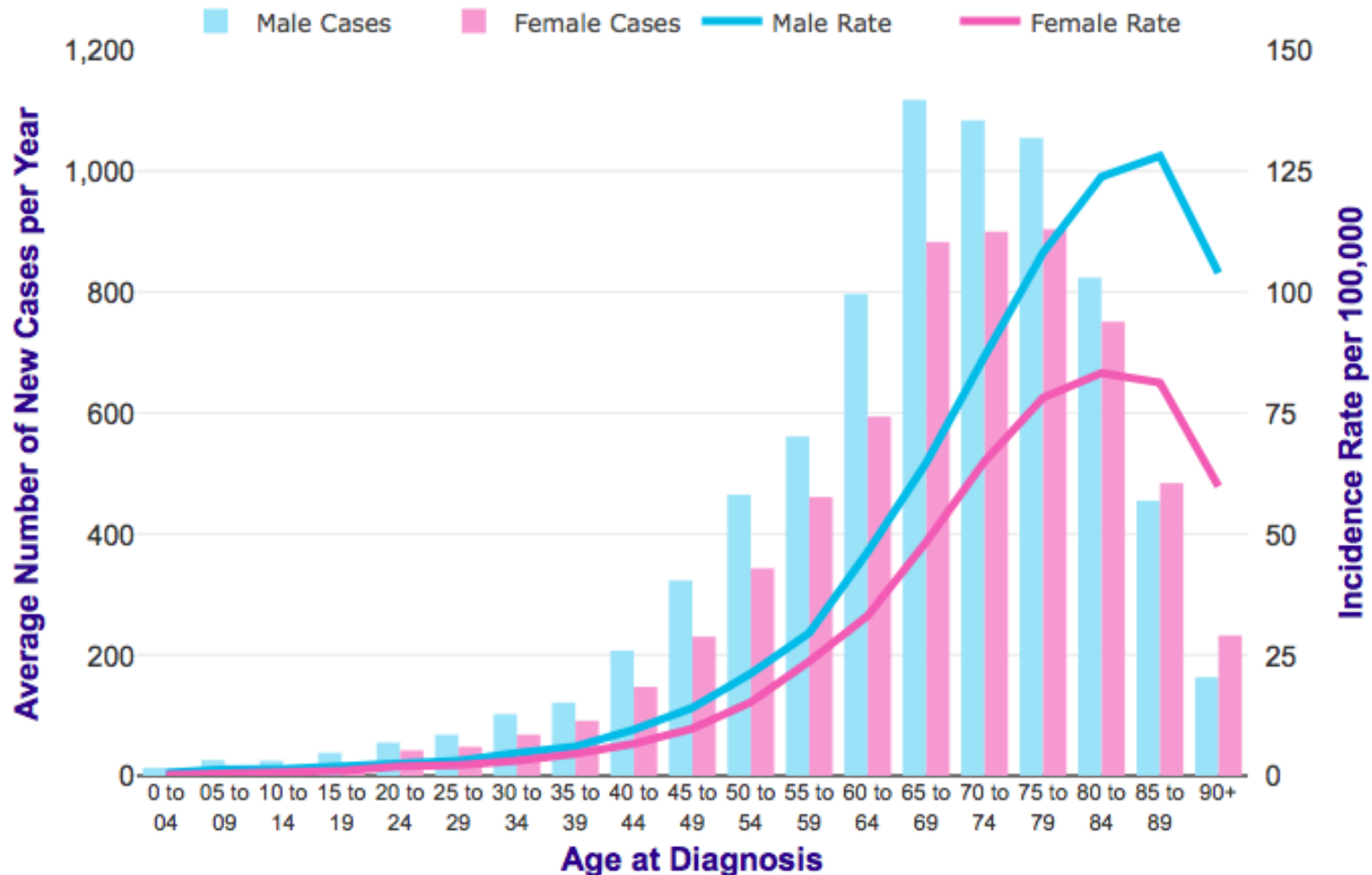
## Věk pacientů s novotvory mízní a krevetvorné tkáně v České republice v letech 2011–2015





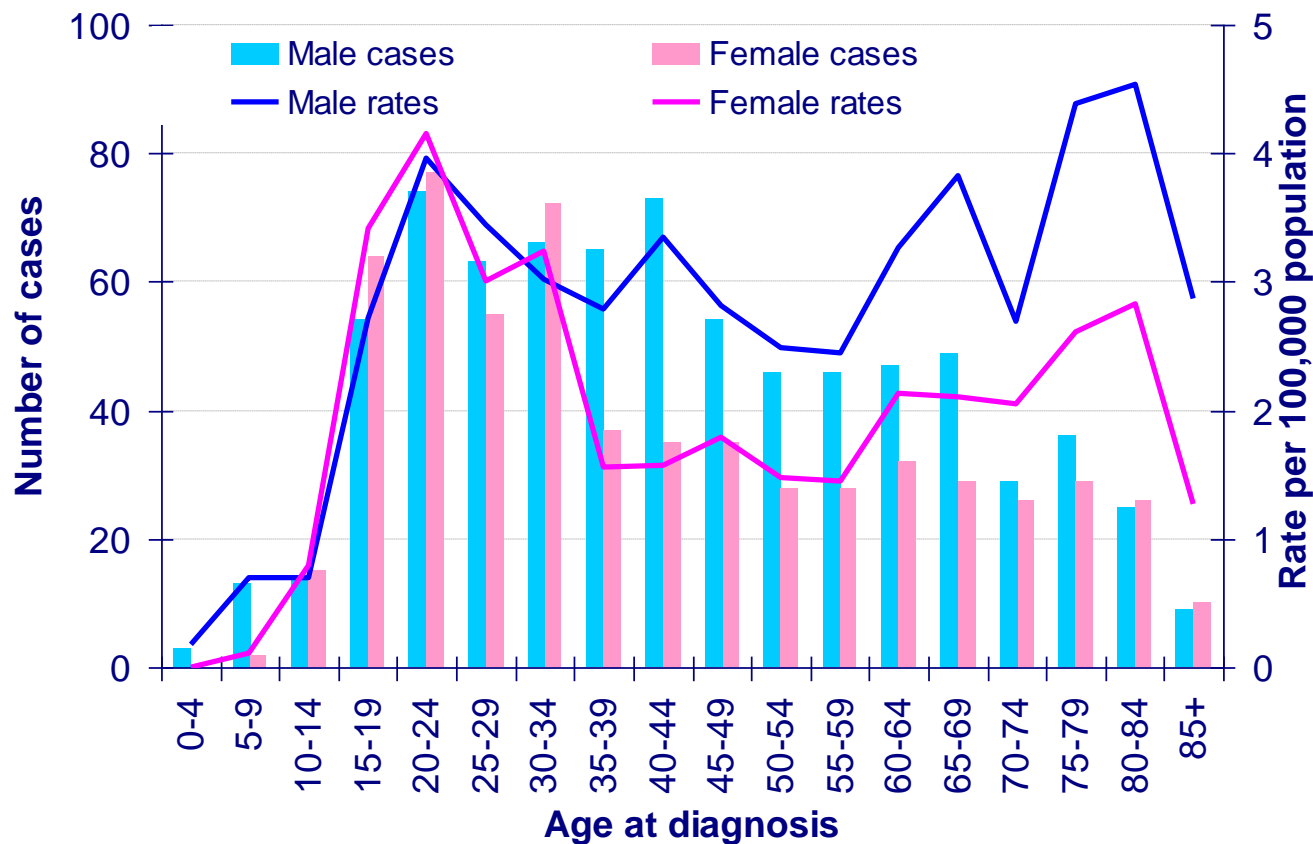


## Non-hodgkin's lymphoma, age specific incidence





**Figure 1.2: Numbers of new cases and age specific incidence rates, by sex, Hodgkin's lymphoma, UK 2003**





## Survival



Survive non-Hodgkin lymphoma for 10 or more years, 2010-11, England and Wales

## Age



Age that non-Hodgkin lymphoma survival is highest, 2009-2013, England

## Improvement



Non-Hodgkin lymphoma survival in the UK has tripled in the last 40 years

### Preventable cases



Non-Hodgkin lymphoma cases are preventable, UK, 2015

### H. Pylori



Non-Hodgkin lymphoma cases are caused by infections, UK, 2015

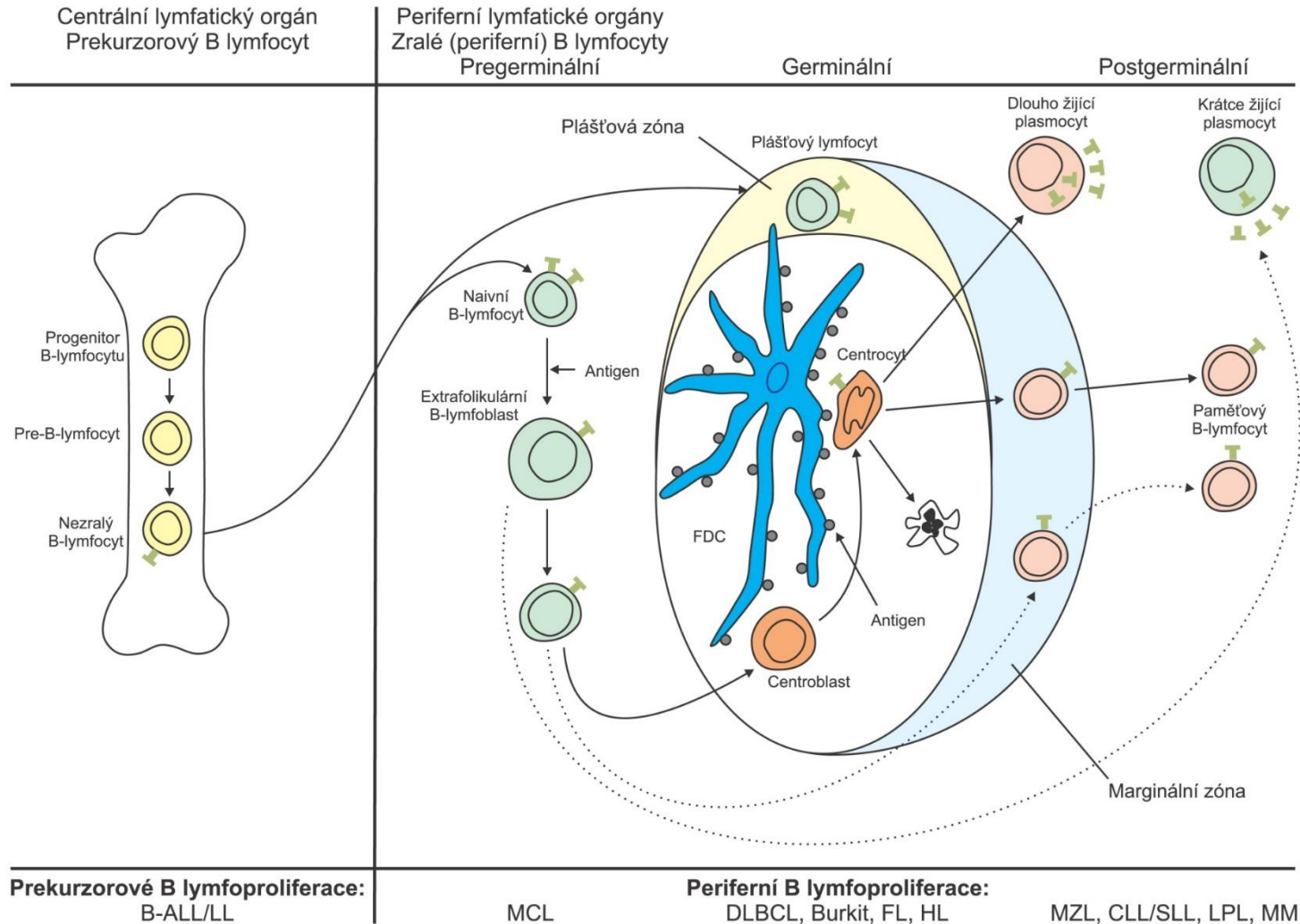




# Etiology

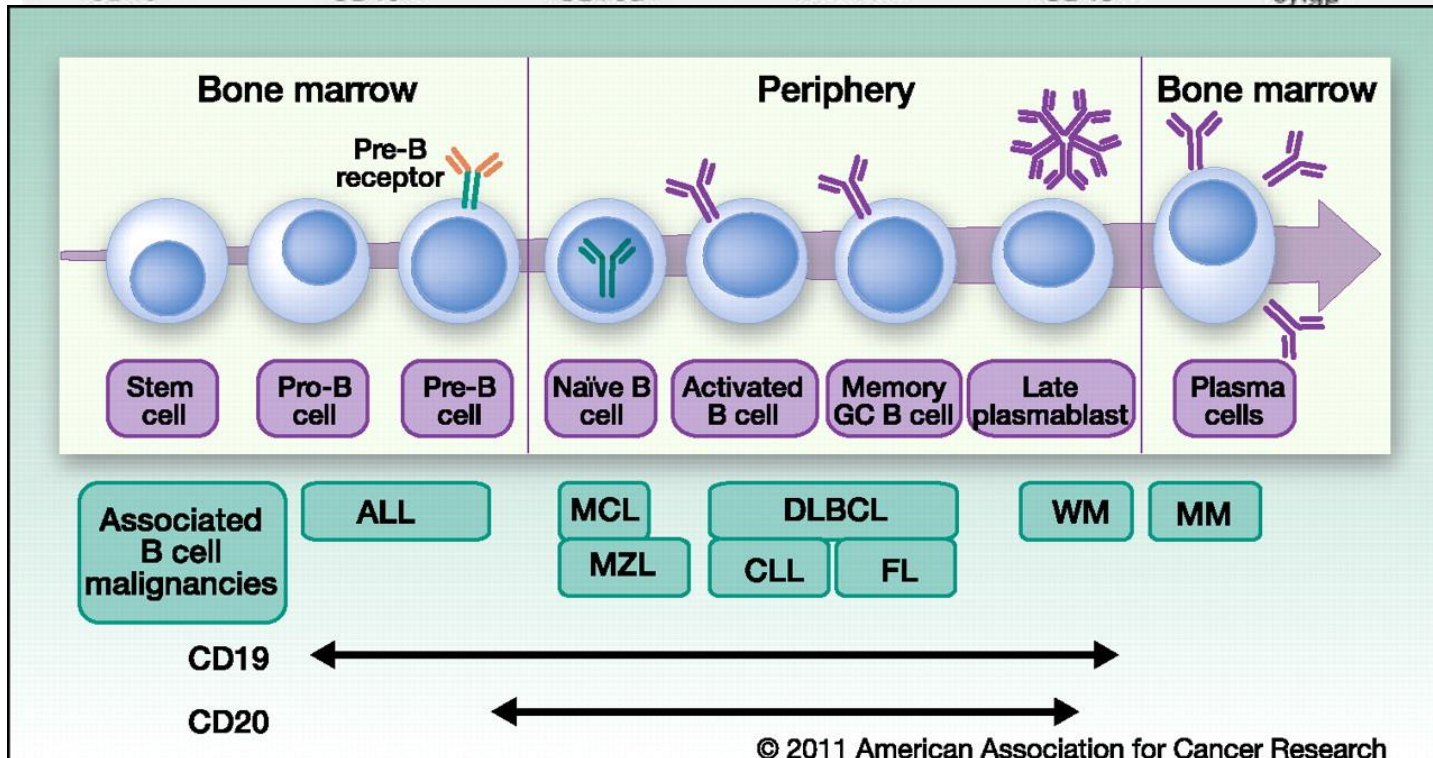
- Immunosuppression
- Infection (EBV, HTLV1, SV40?)
- Chronic antigenic stimulation (Helicobacter pylori, hepatitis C)
- External causes, cytostatics, radiation
- Genetic predisposition

# Pathogenesis I – development of normal B cell



### Maturation curve

Pro-B-Cell	Pro-B-I-Cell	Pro-B-II-Cell	Immature-B-Cell	Mature-B-Cell	Plasma-Cell
CD34+	CD34+	CD20 <sup>int</sup>	CD20+	CD20+	CD38+
TdT+	TdT+	CD22+	CD22+	CD22 <sup>high</sup>	CD19+
CD22+	CD22+	CD38+	CD38+	CD19+	CD138+
CD38 <sup>high</sup>	CD38+	CD19+	CD19+	CD79a+	CD45+
CD45 <sup>low</sup>	CD19+	CD79a+	CD79a+	CD45 <sup>high</sup>	cytgu







# WHO classification of lymphoproliferation

**B**

**T**

Precursor  
lymphomas

B-ALL/B-LBL

T-ALL/T-LBL

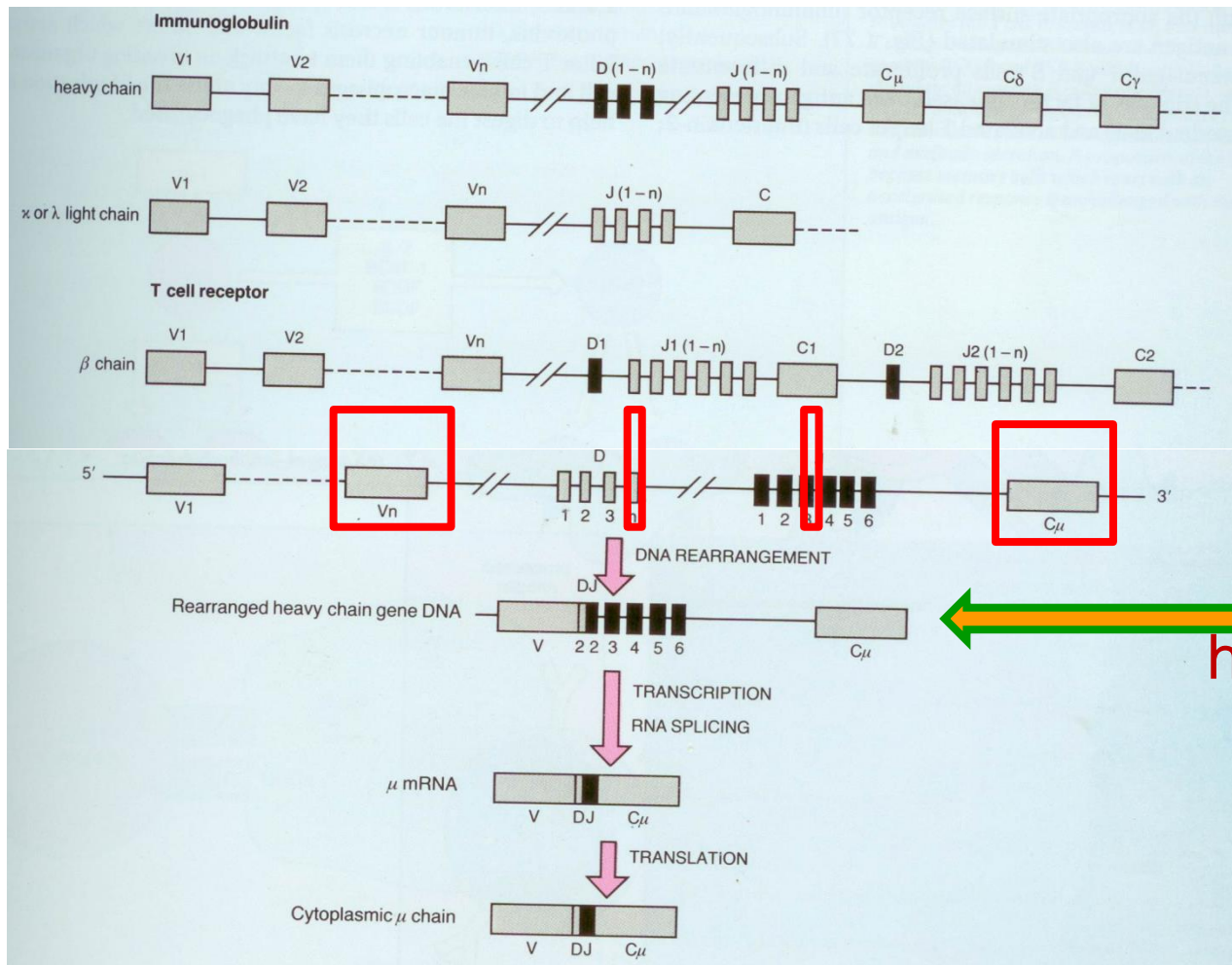
Peripheral  
lymphomas

All other B-NHL

All other T-NHL

Hodgkin's lymphoma

# Pathogenesis II – What can go wrong?



Somatic hypermutation





# Patogenesis III – it went wrong: genetic abnormalities

Cytogenetic abnormality	Histology	Antigen rearrangement	Oncogene expression	% of cases
<b>B-cell lymphoma</b>				
t(14;18)(q32;q21)	FL DLBCL	IgH IgH	<i>bcl-2</i> <i>bcl-2</i>	≈ 90% 15%–30%
t(11;14)(q13;q32)	Mantle cell	IgH	<i>bcl-1</i>	> 95%
t(1;14)(p22;q32)	MALT lymphoma	IgH	<i>bcl-10</i>	≈ 5%
t(11;18)(q21;q21)	MALT lymphoma		<i>API2</i> on chromosome II <i>MALT-1</i> on chromosome 18	≈ 30%
t(9;14)(p13;q32)	Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma	IgH	<i>PAX-5</i>	
8q24 translocations t(8;14)(q24;q32) t(2;8)(p11-12;q24) t(8;22)(q24;q11)	Burkitt lymphoma and variants	IgH Ig-κ Ig-λ	<i>c-myc</i>	≈ 99%
(3;22)(q27;q11)	Diffuse (large cell, small cleaved cell)	Ig-κ	<i>bcl-6 (LAZ3)</i>	
(3;14)/(q27;q32)	DLBCL	IgH	<i>bcl-6</i>	≈ 35%
<b>T-cell lymphoma</b>				
14q11 abnormalities inv 14(q11;q32) t(10;14)(q24;q11) i(7q)(q10)	Variable Variable Hepatosplenic	TCR-α TCR-α TCR-α	<i>tcl-1</i> <i>hox-11 (tcl-3)</i> <i>ALK</i>	
<b>2p23 translocations</b>				
t(2;5)(p23;q35)	ALCL	TCR-α	<i>Npm</i>	
t(1;2)(p21;p23)	ALCL	TCR-α	<i>TPM3</i>	
t(2;3)(p23;p20)	ALCL	TCR-α	<i>TFG</i>	
t(2;22)(p23;q11)	ALCL	TCR-α	<i>CLTCL</i>	
inv(2)(p23;q35)	ALCL	TCR-α	<i>ATIC</i>	



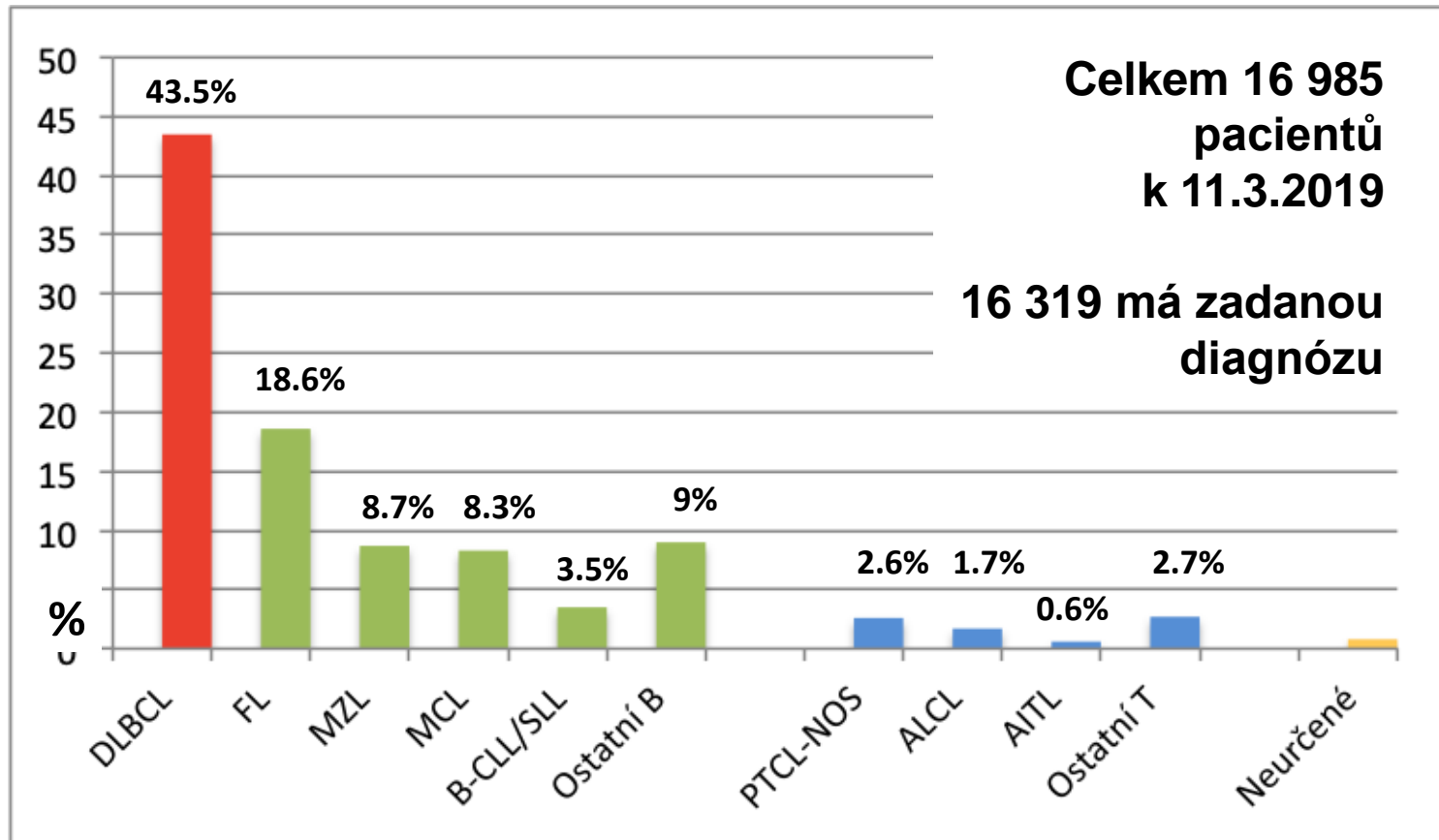
# WHO classification (B neoplasms) 2016

## MATURE B-CELL NEOPLASMS

- Chronic lymphocytic leukemia /small lymphocytic lymphoma
- **Monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis\***
- B-cell prolymphocytic leukemia
- Splenic marginal zone lymphoma
- Hairy cell leukemia
- Splenic B-cell lymphoma/leukemia, unclassifiable
- Splenic diffuse red pulp small B-cell lymphoma
- Hairy cell leukemia-variant
- Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma
- Waldenström macroglobulinemia
- **Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), IgM\***
- Mu heavy chain disease
- Gamma heavy chain disease
- Alpha heavy chain disease
- **Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), IgG/A\***
- Plasma cell myeloma
- Solitary plasmacytoma of bone
- Extramedullary plasmacytoma
- **Monoclonal immunoglobulin deposition diseases\***
- Extranodal marginal zone lymphoma of mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue (MALT lymphoma)
- Nodal marginal zone lymphoma
- Pediatric nodal marginal zone lymphoma
- Follicular lymphoma
- **In situ follicular neoplasia\***
- **Pediatric-type follicular lymphoma\***
- **Large B-cell lymphoma with IRF4 rearrangement\***
- Primary cutaneous follicle center lymphoma
- Mantle cell lymphoma
- **In situ mantle cell neoplasia\***
- Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL), NOS
- **Germinal center B-cell type\***
- **Activated B-cell type\***
- T cell/histiocyte-rich large B-cell lymphoma
- Primary DLBCL of the CNS
- Primary cutaneous DLBCL, leg type
- **EBV positive DLBCL, NOS\***
- **EBV+ Mucocutaneous ulcer\***
- DLBCL associated with chronic inflammation
- Lymphomatoid granulomatosis
- Primary mediastinal (thymic) large B-cell lymphoma
- Intravascular large B-cell lymphoma
- ALK positive large B-cell lymphoma
- Plasmablastic lymphoma
- Primary effusion lymphoma
- **HHV8 positive DLBCL, NOS\***
- Burkitt lymphoma
- Burkitt-like lymphoma with 11q aberration\*
- **High grade B-cell lymphoma, with MYC and BCL2 and/or BCL6 rearrangements\***
- **High grade B-cell lymphoma, NOS\***



# NHL entities in the Czech Lymphoma Study Group Registry





# Clinical (not WHO!) lymphoma classification



**Aggressive**



**Indolent**

DLBCL (aggressive lymphoma) and FL (indolent lymphoma) makes up approximately 60% of patients with NHL





## Patient KH 1950

- Female, 2012 – 4-5 months slowly growing neck lymph node
- Practical physician – 2 lines of antibiotics
- Systemic symptoms – fatigue, night sweats
- Then rapid growth, local symptoms (swallowing difficulties)







# What will be the diagnostic procedure?

1. Blood analysis

0

2. Chest X-ray

0

3. Ultrasonography

0

4. PET/CT

0

5. biopsy

0

6. Radical tumor removal after peroperative biopsy

0



# When to perform lymph node biopsy?

1. Lymph node larger than 2 cm, persisting >2 months without evidence of infection in drained region

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2. Larger than 3 cm, persisting more than 3 months

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3. Twice as big after one month of observation

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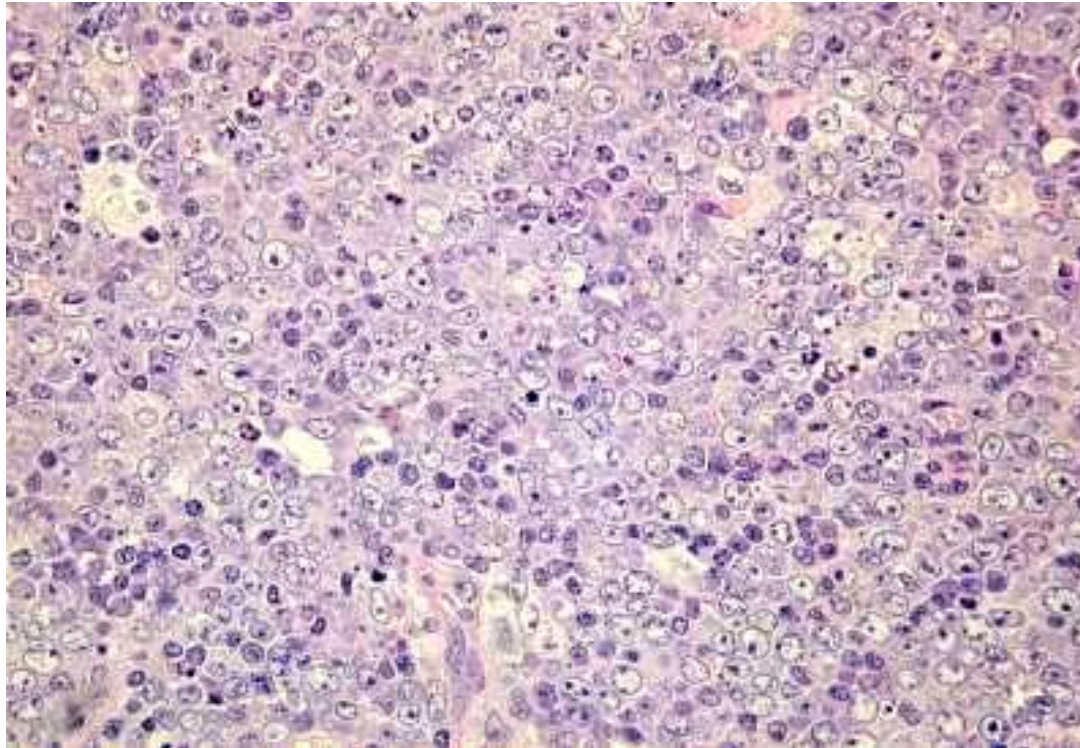
4. Ineffectivity of antibiotics

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5. When the disease is as large as in this patient

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# Morphology – hematoxylin-eosin

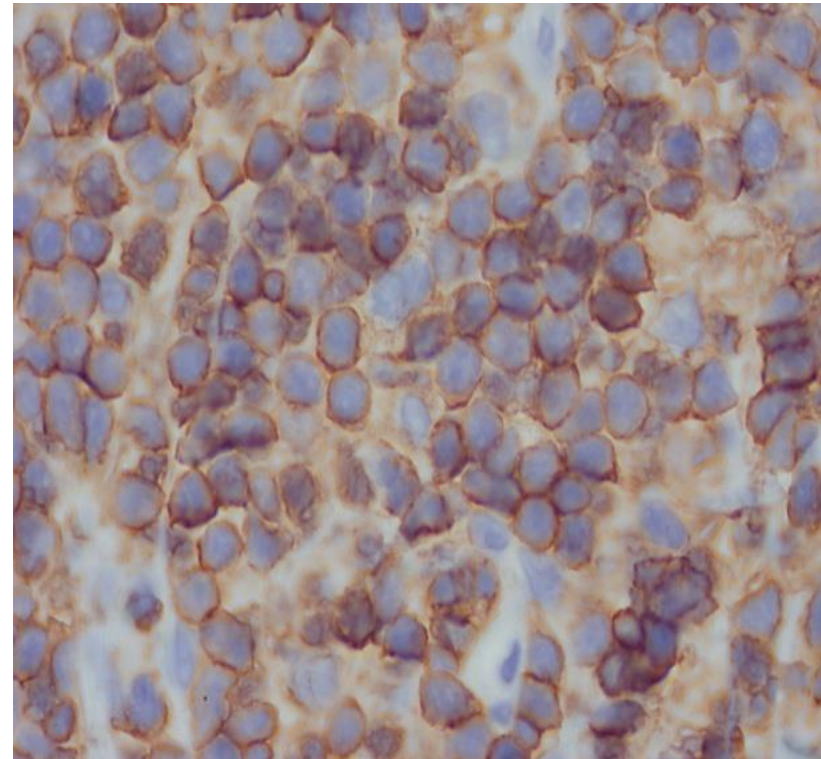
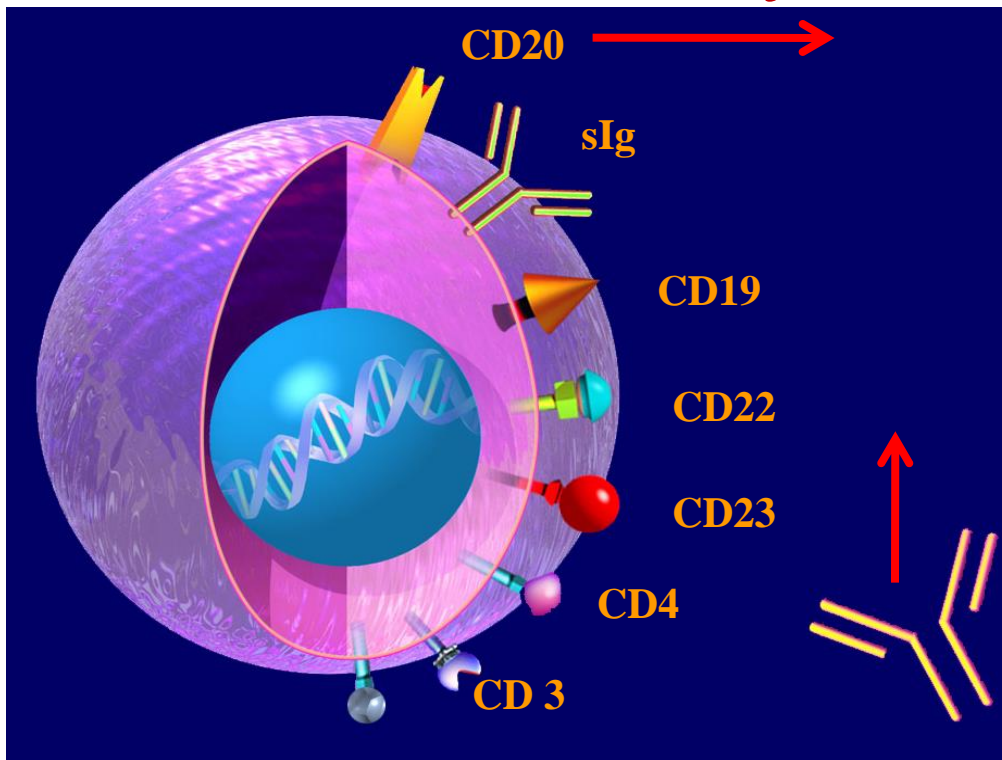


Diffuse large cell tumor – tumor cells most probable  
lymphocytes

**What else??**



# Immunohistochemistry, flow cytometry



CD 8

Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL)  
= aggressive lymphoma

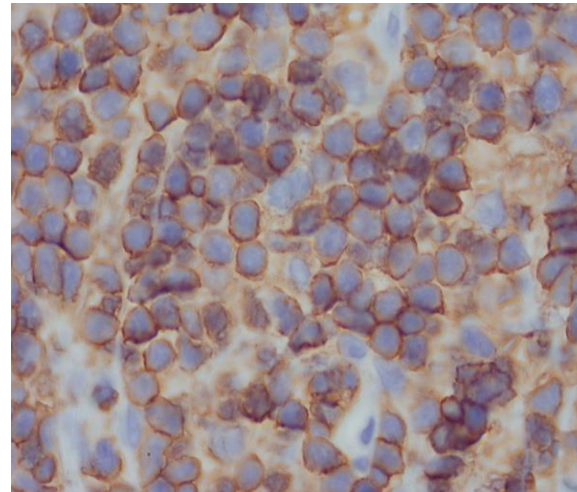
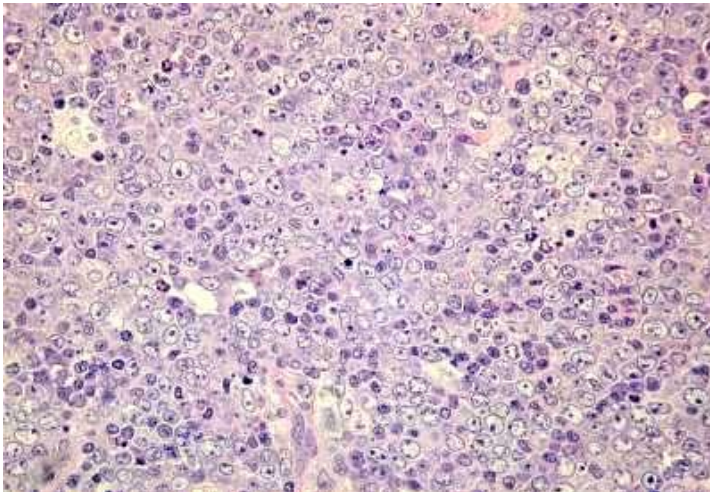
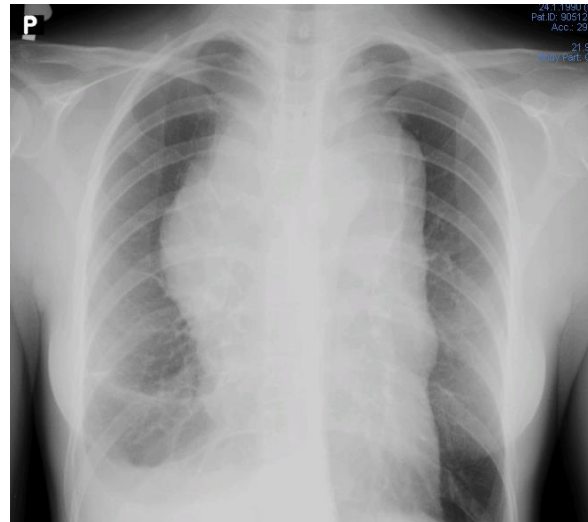


# Aggressive lymphomas

- Short history: weeks to months
  - Even in advanced stage **curable**
  - Treatment is needed immediately after **diagnosis**: chemotherapy, immunotherapy ± radiotherapy
  - Usually good response to treatment
- BUT:**
- Relapse always means poor prognosis



## Patient KH, 62 years



- Age >60 years  
- **bad**
- Clinical stage  
II - **good**
- LDH > normal  
- **bad**
- Extranodal  
involvement:  
none - **good**
- Performance  
status: **good**
- (B-lymphoma  
= **CD20**  
**positive**)



What is the probability of this patient to be alive in 5 years?

1. 25% 0

2. 50% 0

3. 75% 0

4. 100% 0



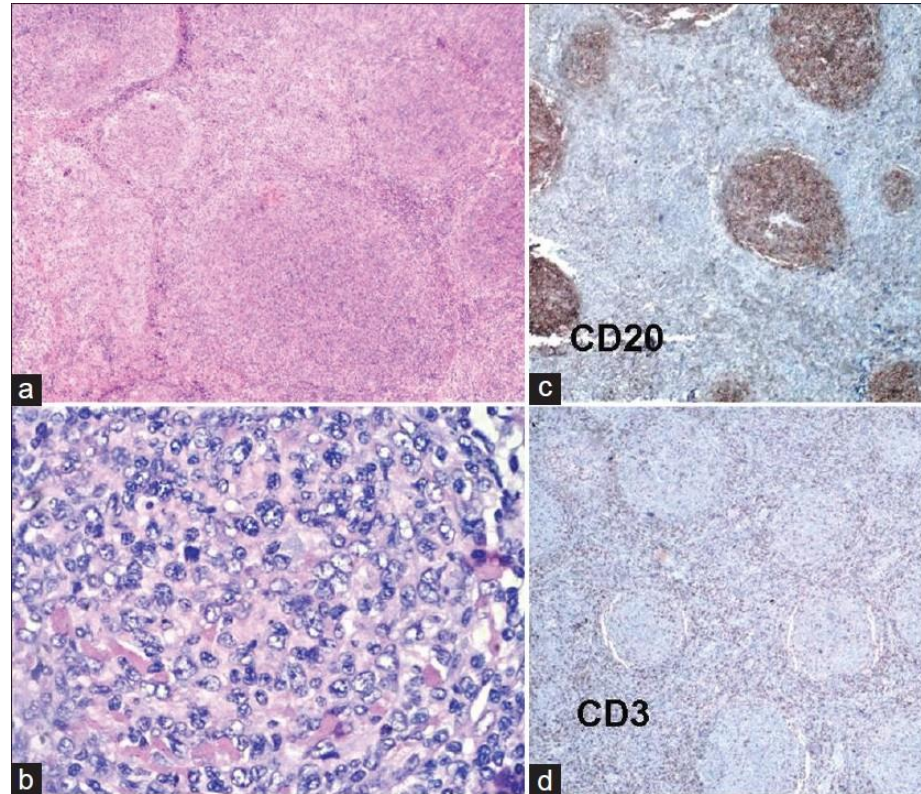
# Indolent lymphomas

- Long history: months to years
  - Mostly advanced disease – incurable
- BUT:**
- Not necessary to treat immediately after diagnosis
  - Usually good response to treatment, frequent relapses
  - Relapse (even repeated) does not mean necessarily poor prognosis
  - Risk of transformation – change to histologically high grade lymphoma – repeated biopsies





# Patient AT 1950 (53 years)– dg. 2003





## Patient AT, 1950

- **Follicular lymphoma, clinical stage III** (advanced disease)
- **Treatment:** 8x CHOP (chemotherapy without antiCD20 immunotherapy)
- **Progression 2005,** two lymph nodes in right axilla
- **Not treated,** just watch and wait





# How long will this patient be without treatment?

1. One year

0

2. Five years

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3. Ten years

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4. Fifteen years

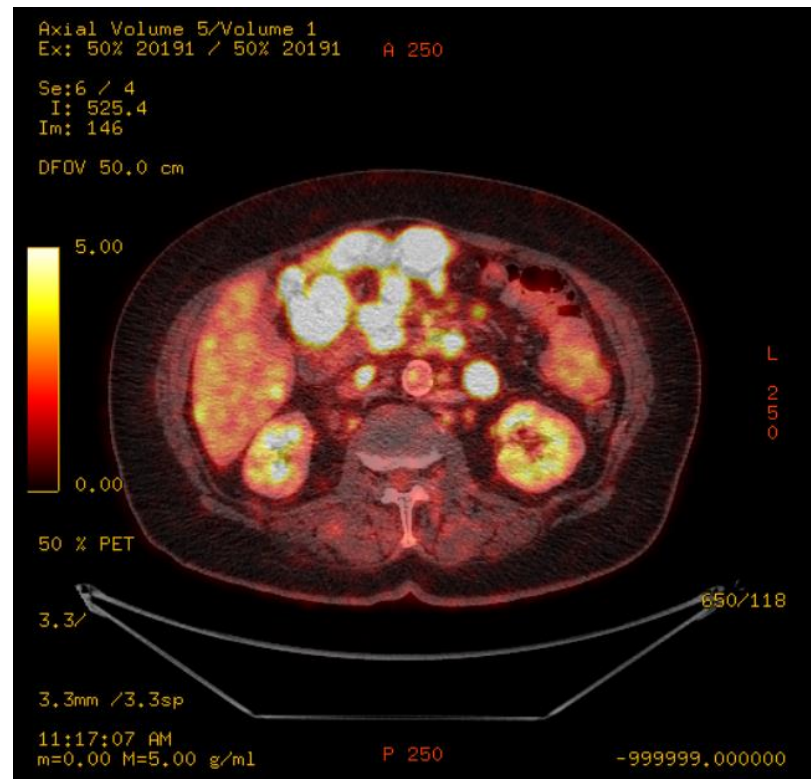
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5. Twenty years

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# October 2016 – massive mesenteric progression – chemoimmunotherapy R-COP








# Patient A-T, 1950

- May 2017 – PET-CT negative after 8 cycles of therapy
- May 2019 – finished the anti-CD20 maintenance therapy
- In ongoing complete remission



# What is the take-home message for me?

1. Lymphomas are very rare, I don't know why I should learn anything about them  
0
2. I will think about them especially in older patients  
 3
3. Most lymphoma patient have quite good prognosis  
 4
4. After relapse/progression, prognosis is allways poor  
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5. Nothing  
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Thank you for your attention