

NEW PERSPECTIVES IN THE TREATMENT OF CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKAEMIA (CLL)

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Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia, the adult most frequent form of leukaemia, is a malignancy with an indolent evolution, the treatment objective being eradication of minimal residual disease (MRD) even the cure in some cases.

The treatment objective should be individually established according to the patient characteristics including performance status and the particular type of disease.

Hematopoietic stem cell transplant plays an important role in the management of the Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia (allotransplant), this therapeutic procedure being the only method which could eventually cure the disease in some cases.

In the future there are expected new therapeutic agents and therapeutic combinations as final results from on-going clinical trials and the role of maintenance therapy in the CLL treatment needs to be established.