INTRODUCTION

Plasma cell leukemia (PCL) is a rare and aggressive form of plasma cellPC disorder defined by the present-presence_of more than≥ 5% of clonal plasma cellsPCs in the peripheral blood ^[1]. It-PCL is divided into primary plasma cell leukemia (pPCL) and secondary plasma cell leukemia (sPCL). pPCL occurs *de novo* and without a-prior diagnosis of multiple myeloma (MM). sPCL indicates progression and leukemic transformation in previously diagnosed MM patients. The survival of patients with pPCL has been-improved after 2006 based onbecause of the using-use_of novel therapeutic agents such as immunomodulators (thalidomide and lenalidomide) and proteasome inhibitors (bortezomib) ^[2]. However, the median overall survival (OS) after chemotherapy and transplantation was reported to be less than≤ 37 months ^[3,4], which is significantly poorer compared with that of newly diagnosed MM.

As in MM, immunoglobulin-IgH translocations in t(11;14) are common in pPCL, and_detected in 19.5-%-71% of pPCL cases ^[5]. And pPrevious studies ^[6,7] have indicated that both MM patients with MM and other hematological malignancies with t(11;14) are sensibility sensitive to the bcl-2 inhibitor, venetoclax. Here, we report a combination regimen of venetoclax and VRd (bortezomib, lenalidomideand dexamethasone) in a patient with a newly diagnosed pPCL with t(11;14), who achieved a very good partial response (VGPR) after two cycles.

DISCUSSION

pPCL is a rare and aggressive variant of MM, and the clinic presentation and cytogenetic characteristics of pPCL differs from that those of MM^[8]. The median age of at diagnosis of pPCL patients are is younger. Light chain or non-secretory disease is more common than in MM. Most pPCL patients present with abnormal LDHlactate dehydrogenase, advanced stage, leukocytosis, anemia, thrombocytopenia, renal impairment, high tumor burden and extramedullary involvement. OppositeIn contrast, lytic bone lesions are seen less frequently in pPCL. Genetic aberrations are identified by cytogenetic and FISH analysis, and the most frequent findings in pPCL are as follows: t(11;14), t(14;16), del(13q), del(17p13), and

1q21 amplification. FISH analysis in our patient showed deletion of 13q14 and t(11;14)(q13;q32) translocation. In <u>myelomaMM</u>, patients with t(11;14) are more likely present with high expression of bcl-2, that are which is strongly associated with sensitivity to venetoclax^[7].

The prognosis of pPCL is poor due to the high incidence of adverse clinical and laboratory features as compared to MM. As a result, induction therapy should start as soon as possible after diagnosis. So far, published data demonstrate that induction therapy with bortezomib-based combinations is an ideally choice [9,10]. Given the high tumor burden (63.59% of PCs in the peripheral blood) and cytogenetic aberrations ([deletion of 13q14 and t(11;14)(q13;q32) translocation)-____in our patient, he taken received initial therapy with VRD-VRd plus venetoclax as soon as he was diagnosisdiagnosed. Combination therapy with venetoclax in pPatients with relapsed or refractory MM₇ patients have received combination therapy with venetoclax 800_mg daily in clinical trials ^[11,12]-. However, the recommend dose of venetoclax for pPCL patients is unclear. Venetoclax was administered at 300_mg daily in combination therapy for the treatment of refractory pPCL in two case reports [13,14]. In oOur patient also received venetoclax 300_mg daily. Fortunately, the patient achieved VGPR <u>after</u> two cycles <u>after theof</u> combination chemotherapy. While, <u>Although it has a</u> fast response, but, early and frequent relapse are a main <u>major</u> challenge in pPCL treatment. ASCT and followed by maintenance therapy is currently recommended to prolong remission in all transplant-eligible patients ^[3]. Consolidation and maintenance therapy is was needed for our patient after end of induction therapy as he wasn't did not wish to undergoing ASCT.

Daratumumab is a human monoclonal antibody that targets CD38, which is-was approved by the <u>US</u>Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 2015 for the treatment of relapsed/refractory MM. Previous studies <u>have</u> indicated that <u>Daratumumab</u> <u>daratumumab</u> monotherapy or combination with either proteasome inhibitors or immunomodulators <u>was-is_an</u> efficacious treatment for relapsed/refractory MM, <u>patients thatwith</u> improved depth of response, duration of response, and survival [^{15,16}]. <u>Furthermore, dDa</u>ratumumab-based triplet or quadruplet regimens <u>were-have</u> also showed shown superior progression-free survival and overall response in newly diagnosed MM ^[17,18]. However, there are no published data that confirm its efficacy in pPCL so far. There are a small few number of case reports that showedof a rapid and good response in newly diagnosis pPCL after induction therapy with combination of daratumumab ^[19,20]. Our patients received daratumumab-containing treatment as consolidation therapy when he suffered unacceptable toxic effects from bortezomib. Currently, the patient is receiving daratumumab and venetoclax as maintenance therapy.