

Identifying a Clear Path Through the
**Changing Maze of
AML Management**



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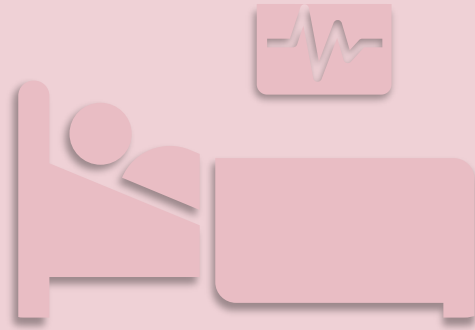
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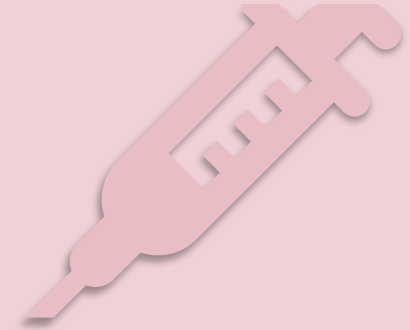
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Diagnosing AML

1

Immunophenotyping

- Required
- Flow cytometry is used to identify cell surface and intracellular markers

2

Cytogenetics and Molecular Testing

- Required
- Screens for genetic abnormalities defining disease/risk categories or for which there is targeted therapy

3

Biobanking

- Recommended
- Bone marrow and blood samples to be obtained at diagnosis, remission, and relapse and stored

Updated Blast Threshold

All recurrent genetic abnormalities defining specific AML subtypes, (excluding $t(9;22)(q34.1;q11.2)/BCR::ABL1^*$) are now considered to establish a diagnosis of AML **if there are $\geq 10\%$ blasts in the bone marrow or blood.**

*AML with $BCR::ABL1$ still requires $\geq 20\%$

Updated Risk Classification



Favorable

t(8;21)(q22;q22.1)/RUNX1::RUNX1T1

inv(16)(p13.1q22) *or*
t(16;16)(p13.1;q22)/CBFB::MYH11

Mutated NPM1 *without* FLT3-ITD

★ **bZIP in-frame mutated CEBPA**

★ Denotes updated categorization



Intermediate

★ **Mutated NPM1 *with* FLT3-ITD**

★ **Wild-type NPM1 *with* FLT3-ITD**

t(9;11)(p21.3;q23.3)/MLLT3::KMT2A

Cytogenetic and/or molecular abnormalities not classified as favorable or adverse



Adverse

t(6;9)(p23;q34.1)/DEK::NUP214

t(v;11q23.3)/KMT2A-rearranged

t(9;22)(q34.1;q11.2)/BCR::ABL1

t(8;16)(p11;p13)/KAT6A::CREBBP

inv(3)(q21.3q26.2) *or*

t(3;3)(q21.3;q26.2)/GATA2, MECOM(EVI1)

t(3q26.2;v)/MECOM(EVI1)-rearranged

-5 or del(5q); -7; -17/abn(17p)

Complex karyotype, monosomal karyotype

★ Mutated ASXL1, **BCOR**, **EZH2**, RUNX1, **SF3B1**, **SRSF2**, **STAG2**, **U2AF1**, *or* **ZRSR2**

Mutated TP53

Validating the Updated ELN Risk Categories



Sample

1457 adults with AML were risk stratified according to ELN22 categories



2022 vs 2017 Category Comparison

21.7% of patients required a revised risk allocation compared to the 2017 classification

45.6% of reallocations were to “*intermediate risk*” due to changes in the FLT3-ITD categorization



ELN22 Risk Stratification Resulted In:

Significantly distinct EFS, RFS, and OS

More accurate determination of “*favorable*” and “*adverse*” risk profiles

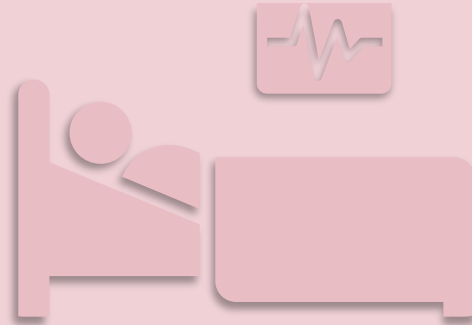
CONCLUSION

- The updated ELN22 risk stratification improves prognostication in intensively treated patients with AML
- A subset of patients (those with MR gene mutations) had heterogenous outcomes, suggesting the classification criteria may need to be re-evaluated in certain patient subgroups

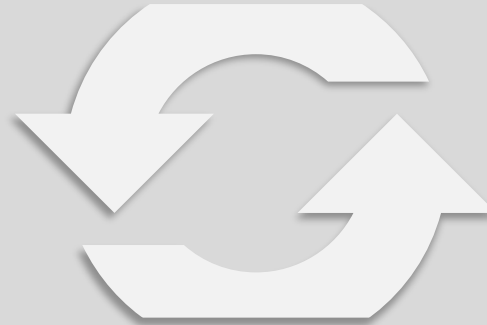
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Determining “Fitness” for Intensive Therapy

Presence of any of the following usually deems a patient “unfit” for intensive chemotherapy*

Age



≥75 years (not an absolute criterion)

Age-related Comorbidities



Examples: Severe cardiac disorder, severe pulmonary disorder, severe kidney/liver dysfunction

ECOG Status



ECOG performance status >2

Other



Any other comorbidity assessed to be incompatible with intensive chemotherapy

*While there is no accepted or validated criteria to consider a patient ineligible for intensive chemotherapy, these are used in clinical trials and have guiding utility in routine practice.

Treating AML in “Fit” Adults

TREATMENT PATHWAY

Induction Therapy

Goal: CR

- Intensive Chemotherapy
- Anthracycline/
cytarabine backbone
 - Add midostaurin for
FLT3^{mut} AML
 - Add gemtuzumab
ozogamicin for CD-
33+ AML, favorable
or intermediate risk

Re-Induction Therapy

Goal: CR

Considered in patients
not achieving
CR/CRh/CRi

Consolidation Therapy

*Goal: Deepen Remission,
Maximize DOR*

After CR/CRh/CRi,
consolidation is administered

MRD is assessed in
CR/CRh/CRi to determine
treatment choice

If relapse risk exceeds 35% to
40%, consolidate with allo-HCT

± Maintenance Therapy

Goal: Reduce Relapse Risk

Minimally toxic, extended,
but time-limited, course of
therapy given after CR to
reduce relapse risk

*The role of maintenance
therapy is an area of active
research.*

Monitoring Measurable Residual Disease (MRD)

Monitoring MRD allows clinicians to:¹



Quantify remission status



Improve relapse risk assessment once a patient is in remission



Predict an approaching relapse and start early intervention

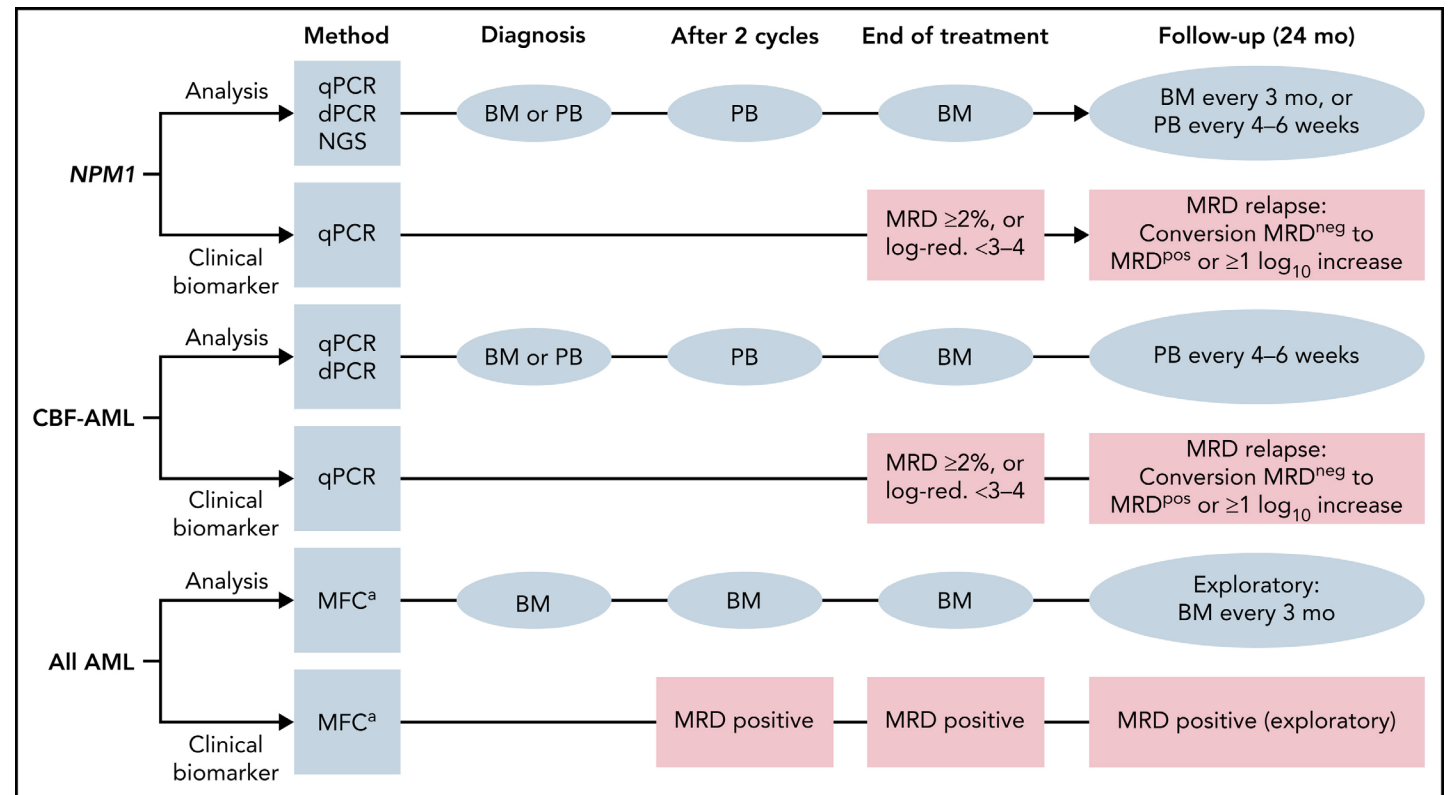


Utilize MRD as a surrogate endpoint in clinical trials



Recently developed next-generation sequence testing for FLT3-ITD MRD monitoring has been shown to identify patients at high risk of relapse and death²

Algorithm of MRD assessment and time points at which MRD is considered a clinically relevant biomarker¹



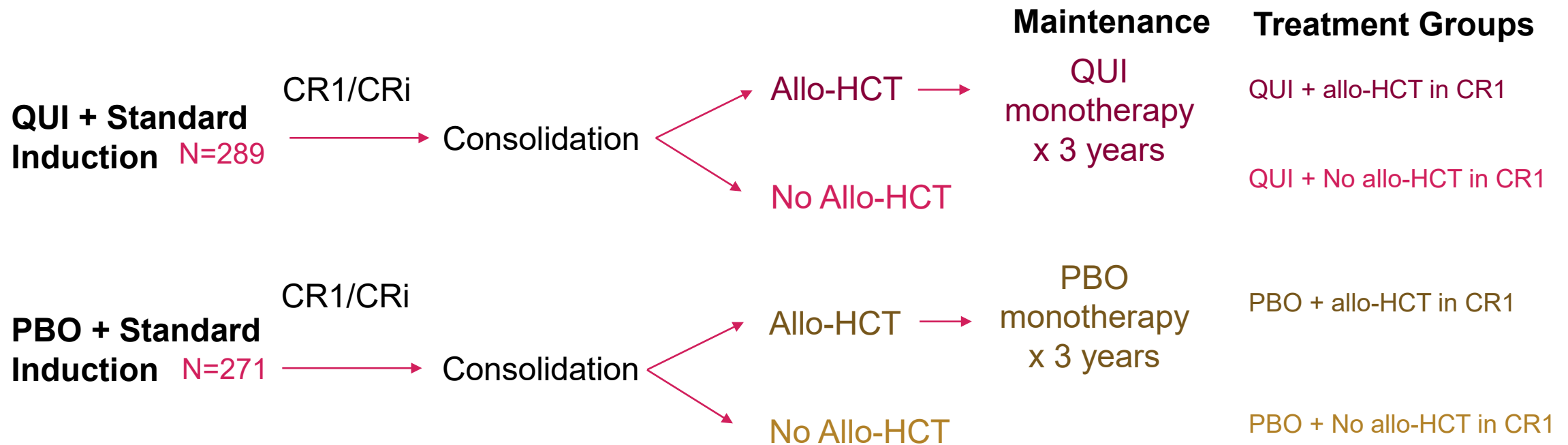
1. Döhner H, et al. *Blood*. 2022;140(12):1345-1377.

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Updates in Treating Newly Diagnosed AML

QUESTIONS

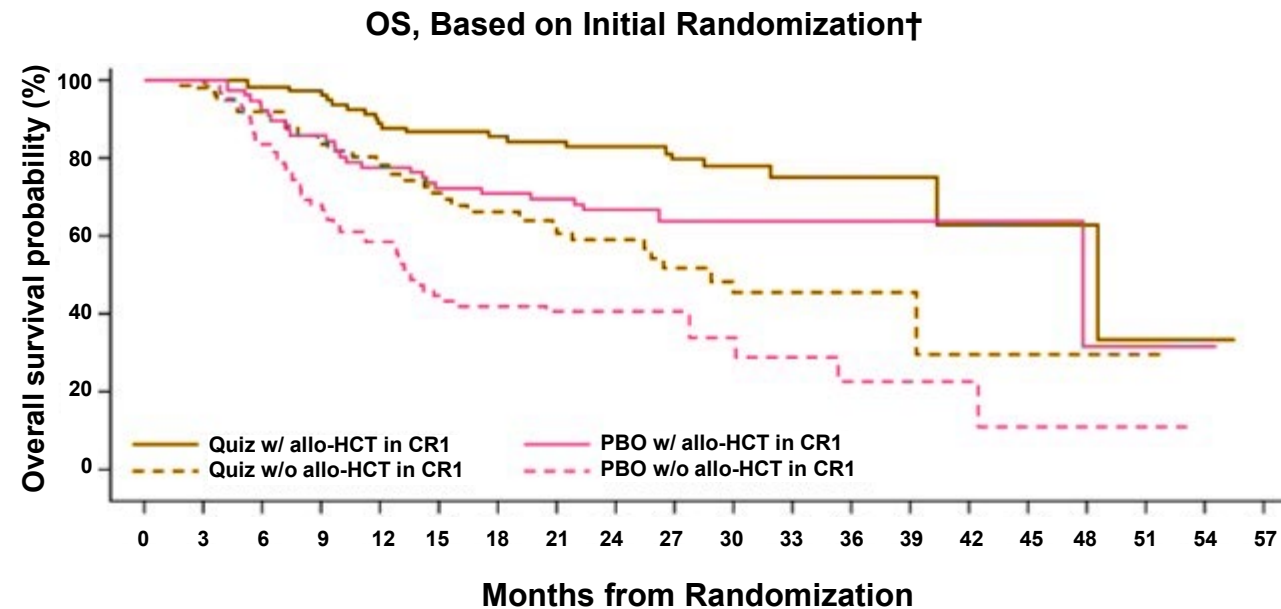
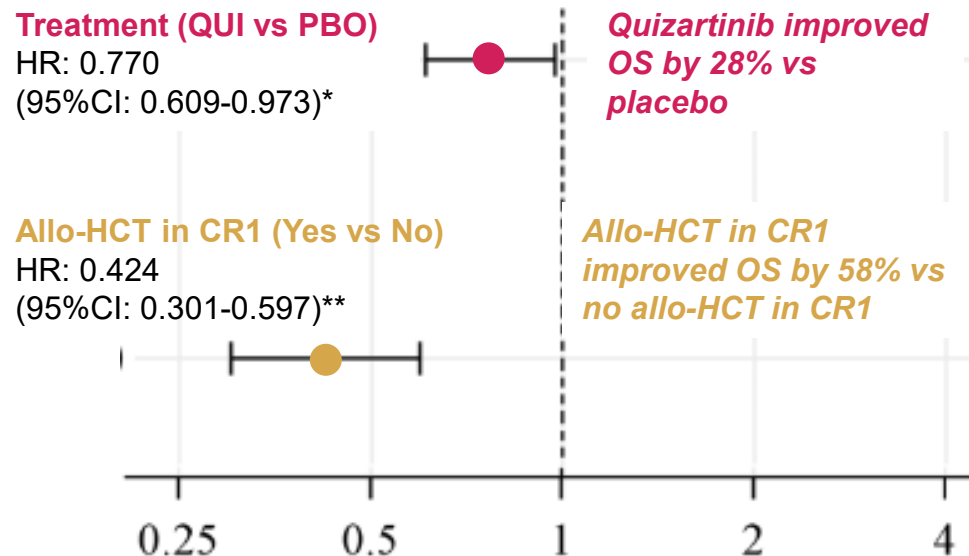
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* $P=0.0284$, ** $P<.0001$, †Post-hoc analysis illustrating the time-dependent effect on OS of allo-HCT in CR1 according to initial randomization, in patients with CR.

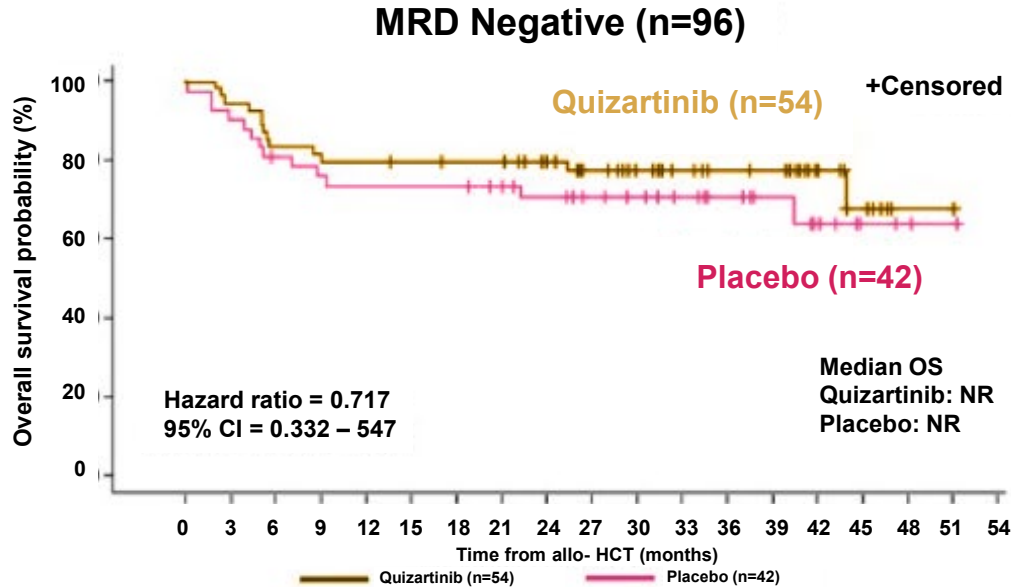
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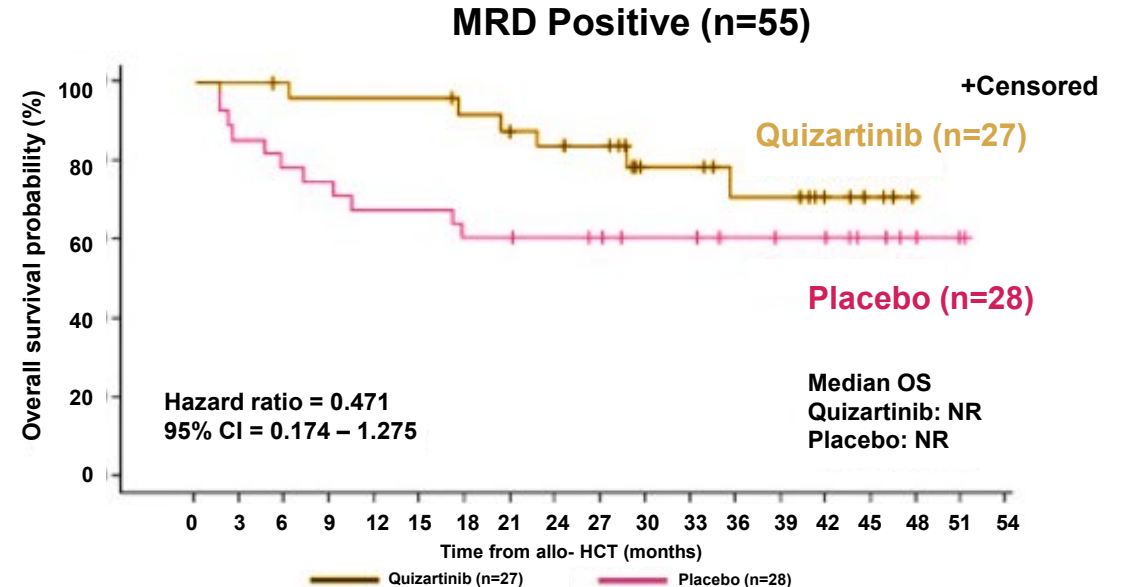
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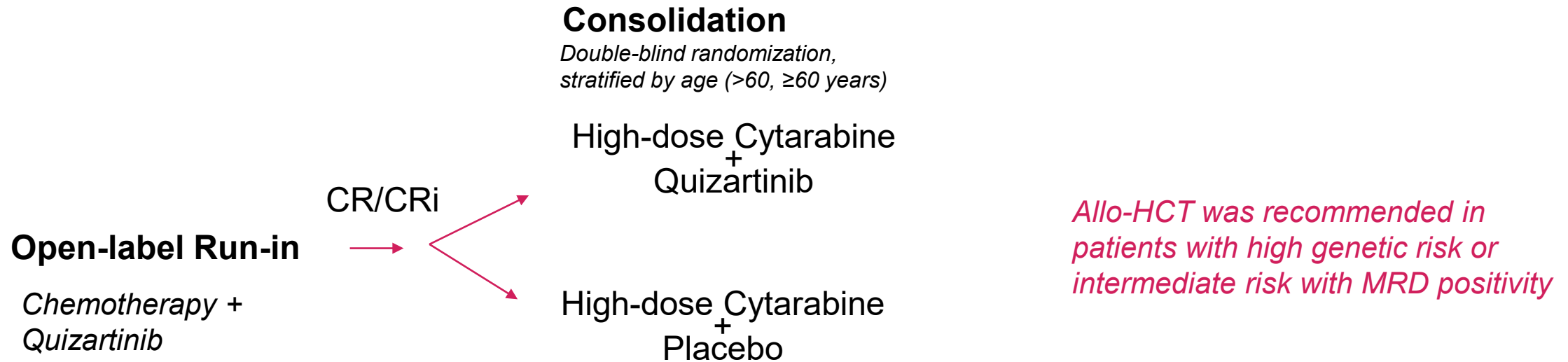


Quizartinib improved OS by **53%** in MRD(+) patients vs placebo

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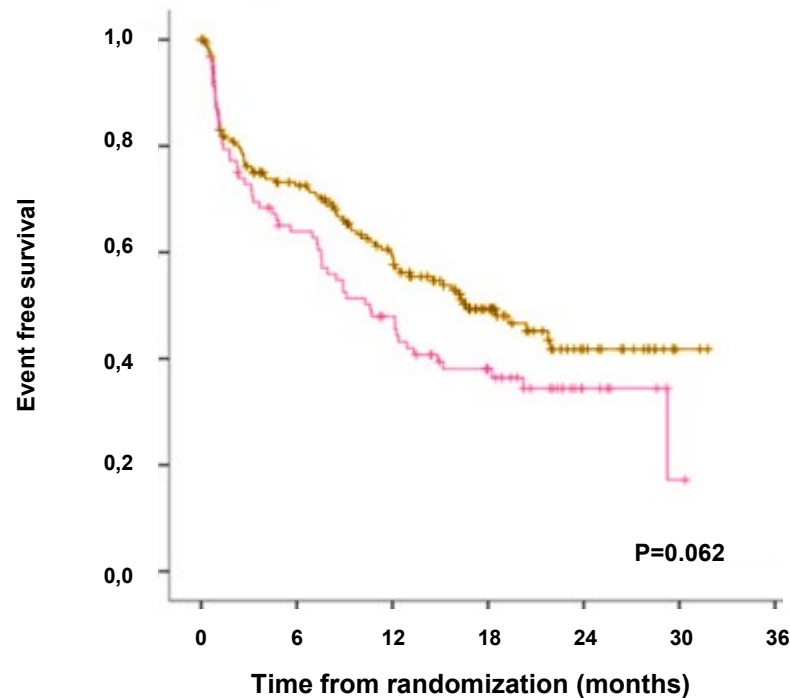


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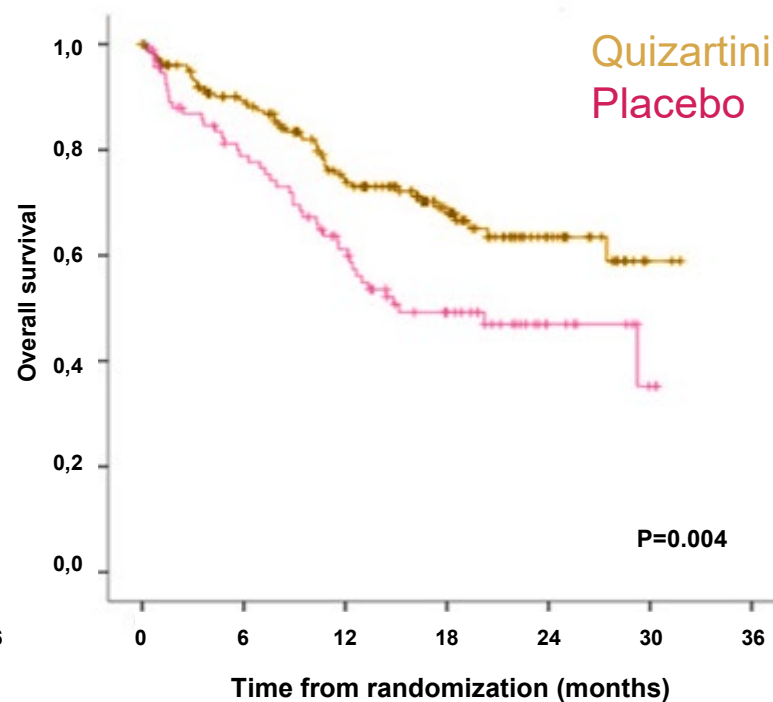
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Event-free Survival



Overall Survival



The addition of quizartinib to standard 3+7 chemotherapy may prolong OS in newly diagnosed FLT3-ITD wild-type AML

What About Post-transplant Maintenance Therapy?

Primary Objective

To determine if post-HCT gilteritinib maintenance improved RFS vs placebo in FLT3-ITD(+) AML transplanted in CR1

Key Secondary Objectives

Overall Survival
Effect of MRD status pre- and post-HCT on RFS and OS

Summary/Conclusion

Gilteritinib demonstrated benefit for patients with detectable MRD pre- or post-HCT versus those without detectable MRD.

Results

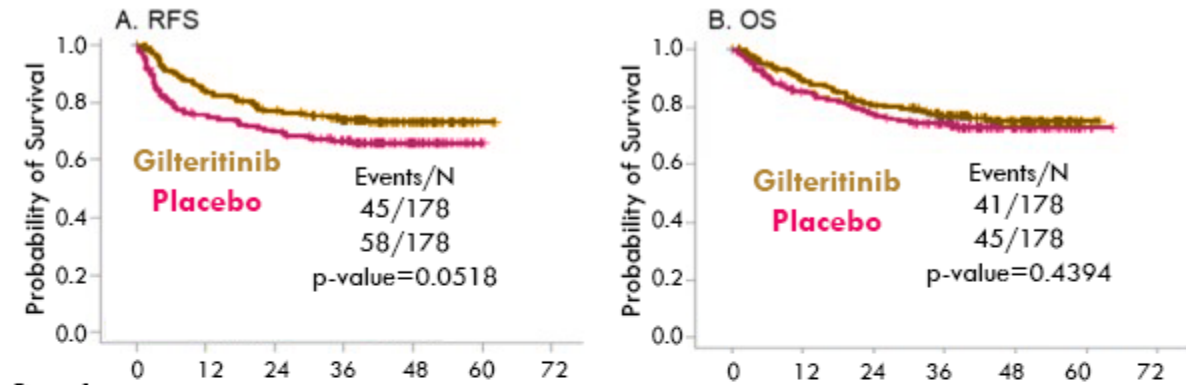


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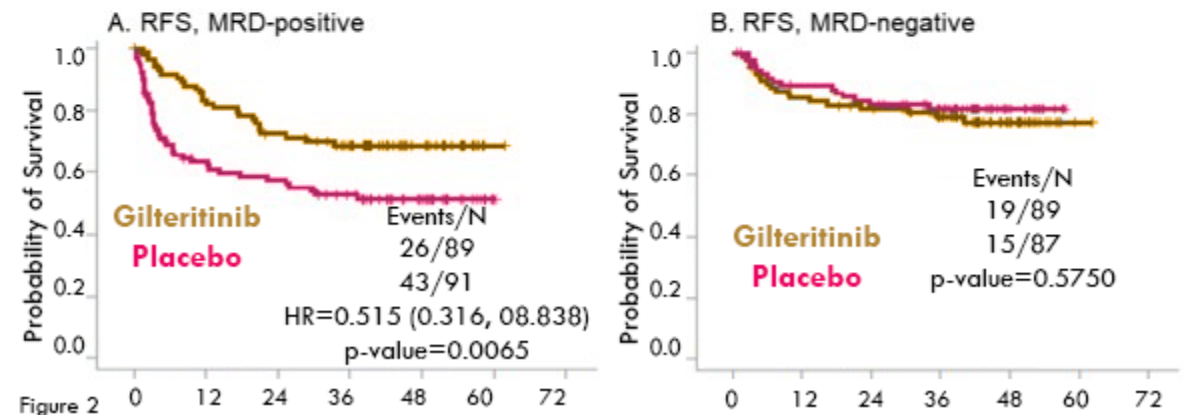


Figure 2

Treating AML in “Unfit” Adults

Less Intense Regimens are Utilized for Unfit Patients

Regimens

- Azacitidine or decitabine + venetoclax
- Low-dose cytarabine + venetoclax

For Patients Intolerant to Anti-leukemic Therapy or Declining Therapy

- Best supportive care

For Patients with IDH1^{mut} AML

- Azacitidine + ivosidenib

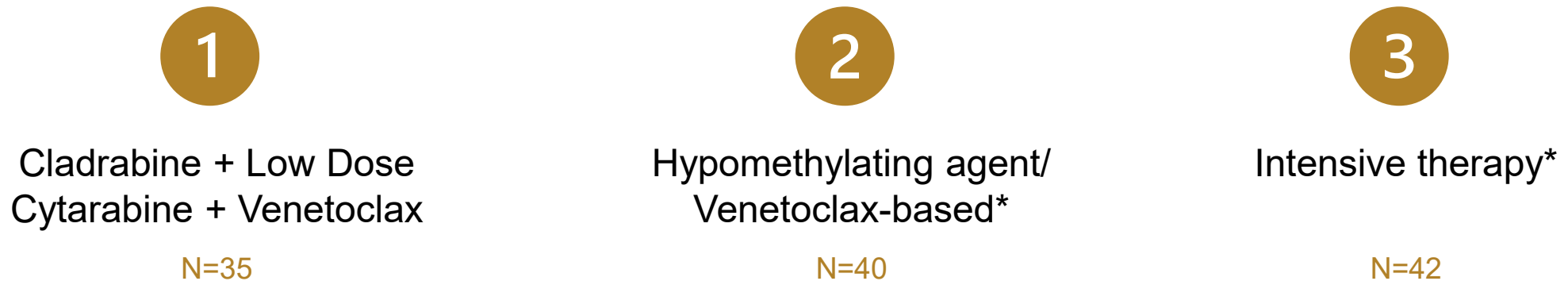
For Very Frail Patients with IDH1^{mut} AML

- Ivosidenib monotherapy

Updates in Treating an Elderly Population

Patients ≥ 60 Years¹

Study compared outcomes after allo-HCT for 2 regimens:¹



Older patients proceeding to allo-HCT after induction with CLAD/LDAC/VEN had significantly improved mRFS, mOS, and 3-year cumulative incidence of relapse and NRM

*Retrospective comparative cohort (years: 2013 to 2022).

1. Senapati J, et al. Abstract 7047. ASCO 2023.

Updates in Treating an Unfit Elderly Population

VEN-A-QUI

A Phase 1 (N=16) and Phase 2 (N=61) study assessed the safety/efficacy of 2 triplet regimens in elderly patients unfit for intensive induction therapy.

Regimen 1 “AZA Group”

Venetoclax
Azacitidine
Quizartinib

Regimen 2 “LDAC Group”

Venetoclax
Low-dose Cytarabine
Quizartinib

Findings

40% to 45%

Similar CR/CRi/CRh range between both treatment groups and study phases.



Venetoclax dose required a reduction due to substantial myelotoxicity

20% vs 13%

Induction death was **more frequent in the LDAC group** than the AZA group



Both triplet regimens were feasible in this population. In FLT3-ITD+ and HMA naïve patients, mOS was not reached

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Defining “Relapsed” and “Refractory” AML



Refractory Disease

No CR, CRh, or CRi at the response landmark (ie, after 2 courses of intensive induction treatment or a defined landmark, eg, 180 days after starting less-intensive therapy)

Relapsed Disease

After CR, CRh, or CRi

Bone marrow blasts $\geq 5\%$; or reappearance of blasts in the blood in at least 2 peripheral blood samples at least 1 week apart; or development of extramedullary disease

MRD Relapse

After CR, CRh, or CRi without MRD

1. Conversion from MRD(-) to MRD(+), independent of method, *or*
2. Increase of MRD copy numbers $\geq 1 \log_{10}$ between any 2 positive samples in patients with CR_{MRD-LL}, CRh_{MRD-LL}, or CRi_{MRD-LL} by qPCR

Molecular Testing at Clinical Progression



Importance

At clinical progression, there is potential for clonal evolution and the development of actionable targets not previously detected at diagnosis. **Molecular re-evaluation at progression is important** for determining treatment course.

Actionable Mutations for Targeted Salvage Therapy

IDH1/IDH2

Current Treatment Options

Ivosidenib
Enasidenib
Olutasidenib

New or Expanded FLT3-ITD or TKD Mutations

Current Treatment Options
Gilteritinib

Treatment Pathway for R/R AML (Fit Adults)

Molecular re-evaluation.
Clinical trial consideration

Salvage Therapy.
Goal: Cytoreduction, second remission to get to allo-HCT

Allo-HCT

Current Salvage Therapies for R/R AML

Intensive Regimens for “Fit” Patients¹

Intermediate Dose Cytarabine	FLAG-IDA	MEC	CLAG-M	Allo-HCT
Cytarabine ± an anthracycline	Fludarabine Cytarabine G-CSF Idarubicin	Mitoxantrone Etoposide Cytarabine	Cladribine Cytarabine G-CSF Mitoxantrone	Consider for patients: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With primary refractory disease, <i>or</i> • In second CR/CRh/CRi, <i>or</i> • With major cytoreduction but still have active disease after salvage therapy

Salvage Options for “Unfit” Patients¹

FLT3^{mut} AML: FLT3 Inhibitor (Gilteritinib)

IDH1^{mut} AML: IDH1 inhibitor (Ivosidenib or Olutasidenib²)

IDH2^{mut} AML: IDH2 Inhibitor (Enasidenib)

1. Döhner H, et al. *Blood*. 2022;140(12):1345-1377.

2. Olutasidenib [Prescribing Information]. <https://tinyurl.com/mr2pa6j7>

Updates in the Treatment of R/R AML

Sequencing Therapies

in R/R IDH1/2^{mut} AML

A recent retrospective study found the use of an IDH inhibitor ± a hypomethylating agent in the second-line setting following failure of intensive chemotherapy was associated with **superior OS** vs FLAG or venetoclax-based lower-intensity therapy in patients with R/R IDH1/2^{mut} AML.¹

Overcoming Resistance

with Selinexor

A small (N=12) retrospective analysis demonstrated the use of selinexor + an HMA as a **safe and viable option for unfit patients** with R/R AML, especially in patients not previously exposed to an HMA.²

Gilteritinib or Venetoclax + HMA

in FLT3^{mut} (ITD/TKD) R/R AML

A retrospective analysis compared salvage treatment with **gilteritinib** (N=6) or **venetoclax + HMA** (N=10)³



Gilteritinib + Venetoclax + Azacitidine

in FLT3^{mut} R/R AML

This retrospective study (N=14) demonstrated a **promising response with triple therapy** for FLT3^{mut} R/R AML, with the regimen presenting as a potential bridge to allo-HCT.⁴

1. Murray G, et al. Abstract e19043. ASCO 2023; 2. Zhang J, et al. Abstract P577. EHA 2023; 3. Murray G, et al. Abstract e19046. ASCO 2023; 4. Chen N, et al. Abstract e19024. ASCO 2023.

Updates in the Treatment of R/R AML

Aim

To explore the efficacy and safety of olutasidenib in **IDH1^{mut} AML in unfit patients failing a venetoclax-based regimen**



Regimen

Olutasidenib ±
Azacitadine

1

Primary Endpoint

Achievement of a
CR/CRh

2

Secondary Endpoints

Time to CR+CRh
Duration of CR+CRh
Rate of transfusion independence

Results

Olutasidenib induced durable remission in IDH1^{mut} R/R AML, including those failing prior venetoclax regimens

Endpoints	Patients (%)
Achievement of CR/CRh	5/17 (29.4%, of which 23.5% were CR)
Time to CR+CRh	2.1 months
Duration of CR+CRh	18.5+ months

Emerging Therapies for R/R AML

Vibecotamab¹

- CD3-CD123 bispecific antibody engager
- Phase I trials showed activity in low-blast R/R AML
- Currently being evaluated in an open-label Phase 2 study

²²⁵Ac-Lintuzumab²

- Targeted radiation delivery via humanized CD33 antibody conjugated to an alpha emitting isotope
- Phase 1 trial: ²²⁵Ac-Lintuzumab + CLAG-M yielded improved clinical outcomes (ORR, mOS, flow MRD negativity) in high-risk populations, particularly those previously treated with venetoclax-based therapies

1. Short N, et al. Abstract TPS7076. ASCO 2023.
2. Abedin SM, et al. Abstract e19030. ASCO 2023.

Emerging Therapies for R/R AML

Design



Phase 1/2
Global
Open-label

Population



Adults
R/R NPM1^{mut} AML
N=20 (600 mg RP2D)

Treatment

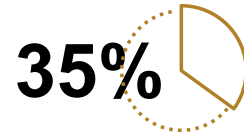
Regimen

Ziftomenib 600 mg QD in 28-day cycles
until relapse, progression, or toxicity

Mechanism:

Menin-KMT2A (MLL) inhibitor

Results



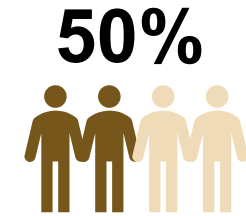
CR Rate
95% CI (15.4, 59.2)



CR/CRh Rate
95% CI (15.4, 59.2)



CRc Rate[§]
95% CI (19.1, 63.9)



MRD
Negativity
Rate[†]
95% CI (15.7, 84.3)



ORR Rate[‡]
95% CI (23.1, 68.5)

Additional Studies

Ziftomenib is also being evaluated in the newly diagnosed and R/R settings in combination with standard of care therapies in patients with NPM1^{mut} and KMTA^r AML²

RP2D, recommended Phase 2 dose

§CR+CRh+CRi

†6 of 8 patients achieving CRc were evaluated for MRD;
of those evaluated 66.7%% were MRD(-).

‡CR+CRh+CRi+MLFS

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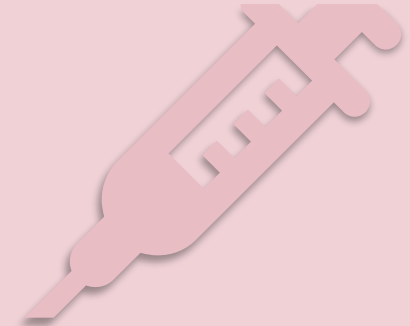
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Adverse Events Requiring Special Attention



Midostaurin

QT Prolongation

Gilteritinib

QT Prolongation
Transaminase Elevation
PRES

Enasidenib

QT Prolongation
Differentiation Syndrome

Gemtauzumab Ozogamicin

Transaminase Elevation
Bilirubin Elevation
Veno-occlusive Disease (VOD)
Sinusoidal Obstructive Syndrome (SOS)

Venetoclax

Neutropenia
Thrombocytopenia
Tumor Lysis Syndrome
CYP3A Interactions

PRES, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome

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Adverse Events Requiring Special Attention



Management Strategies

QT Prolongation

- Dose interruption/reduction
- Substitute QT-prolonging co-medication (if possible)
- ECG controls (midostaurin)

Transaminase/Bilirubin Elevation

Dose interruption/reduction

PRES

Discontinuation

Differentiation Syndrome

- Dexamethasone, hydroxyurea for co-occurring leukocytosis
- Dose interruption/reduction

VOD/SOS

- Dose interruption/reduction
- Supportive care
- Fluid management
- Possibly defibrotide

Adverse Event Management: Myelosuppression

Neutropenia/Thrombocytopenia

Early response assessment

Example:

- On days 14 to 21 of cycle 1, if bone marrow blasts are <5%, stop venetoclax for up to 14 days to allow count recovery to \geq CRh
- If neutropenia does not recover with 7 days of venetoclax discontinuation, the addition of G-CSF may augment recovery

Subsequent cycles

- Azacitidine 75 mg/m² SC/IV on days 1 to 7 (or days 1 to 5 + days 8 to 9) or
- Decitabine 20 mg/m² IV on days 1 to 5 + venetoclax 400 mg daily, or
- Low-dose cytarabine 20 mg/m² SC on days 1 to 10 + venetoclax 600 mg QD every 4 weeks until progression.

Delayed count recovery or recurrent Grade 4 treatment-emergent neutropenia/thrombocytopenia lasting \geq 7 days

Requires reductions in duration of administered venetoclax (from 28 to 21 or 14 days, or even less) and/or reductions in the dose of azacitidine, decitabine, or low-dose cytarabine if severe bone marrow hypoplasia.



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