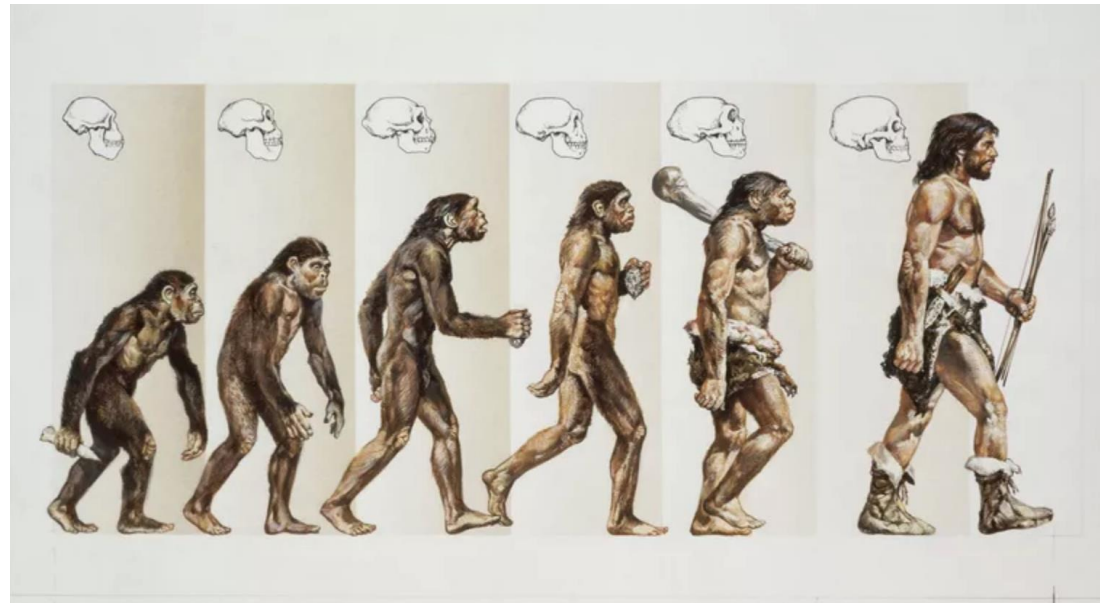




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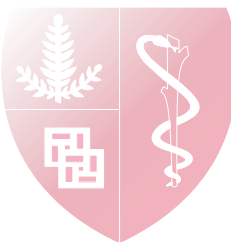
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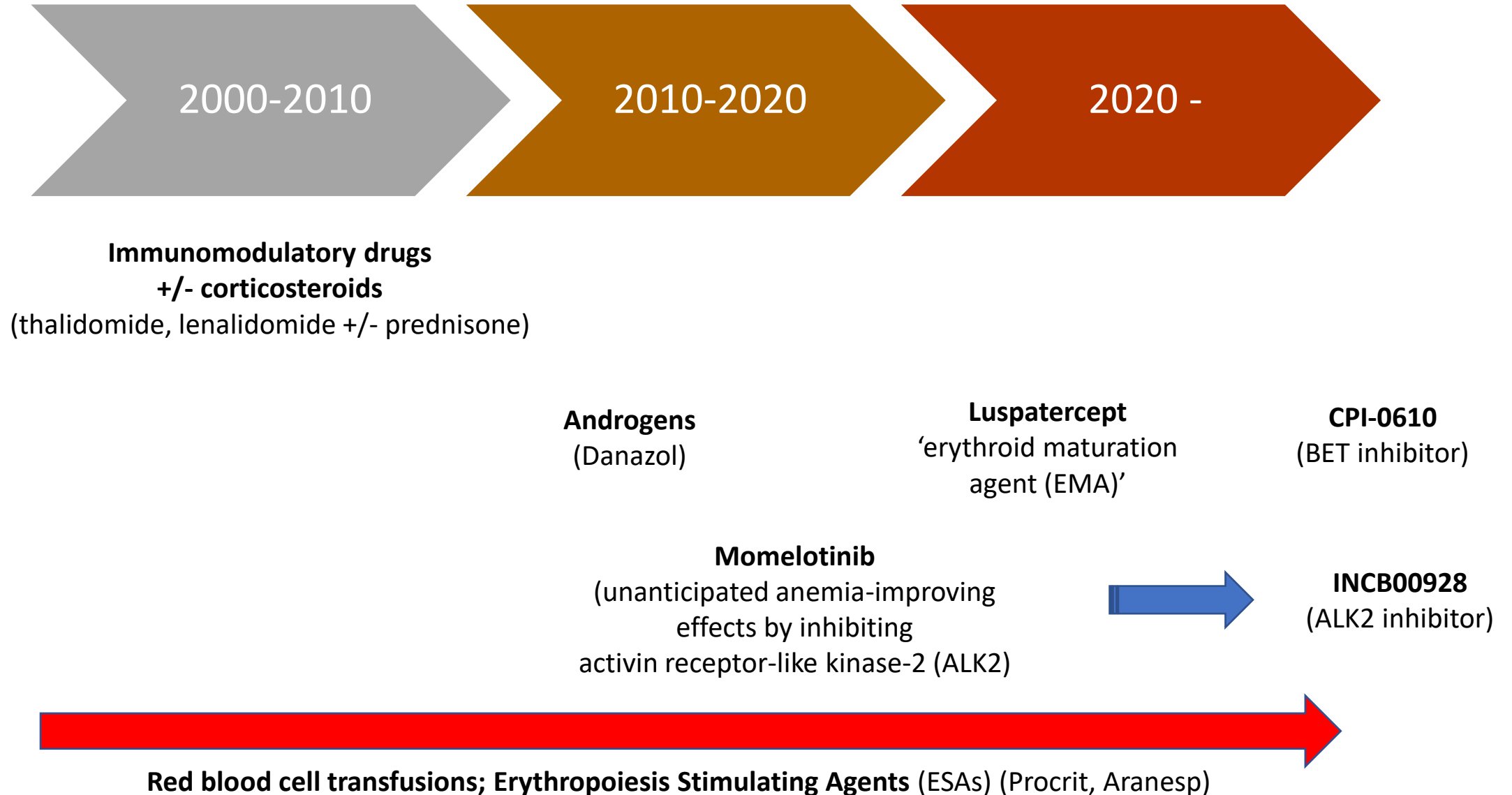
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Evolution of Drugs for MF-Associated Anemia

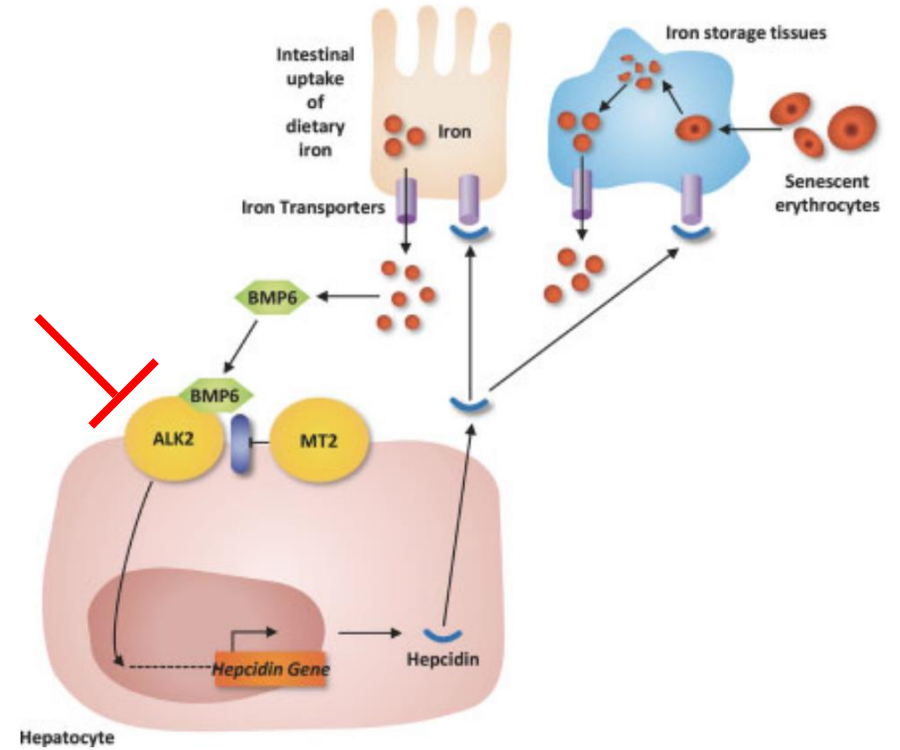
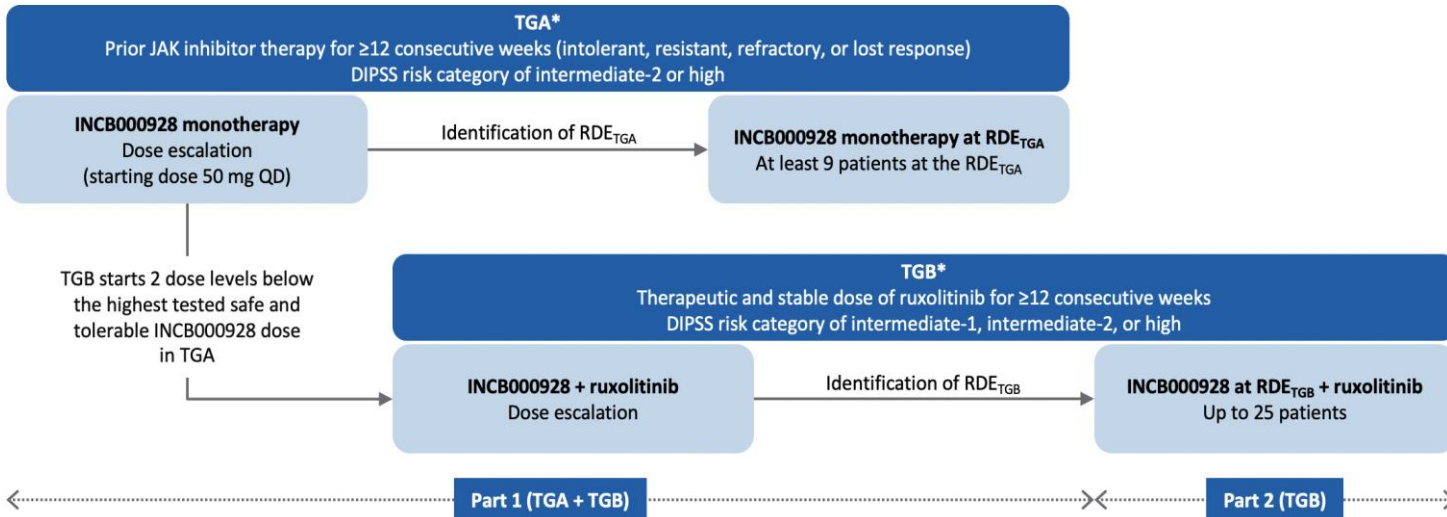




A Phase 1/2 Study of INCB000928 as Monotherapy or in Combination With Ruxolitinib in Patients With Anemia Due to Myelofibrosis (INCB 00928-104)

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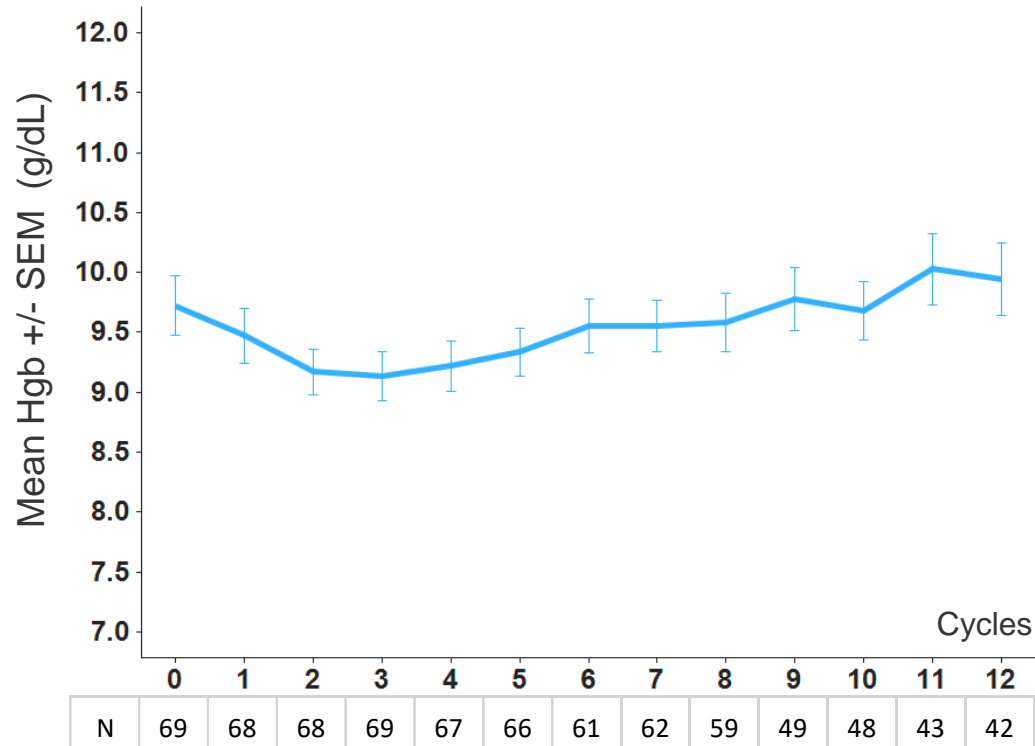
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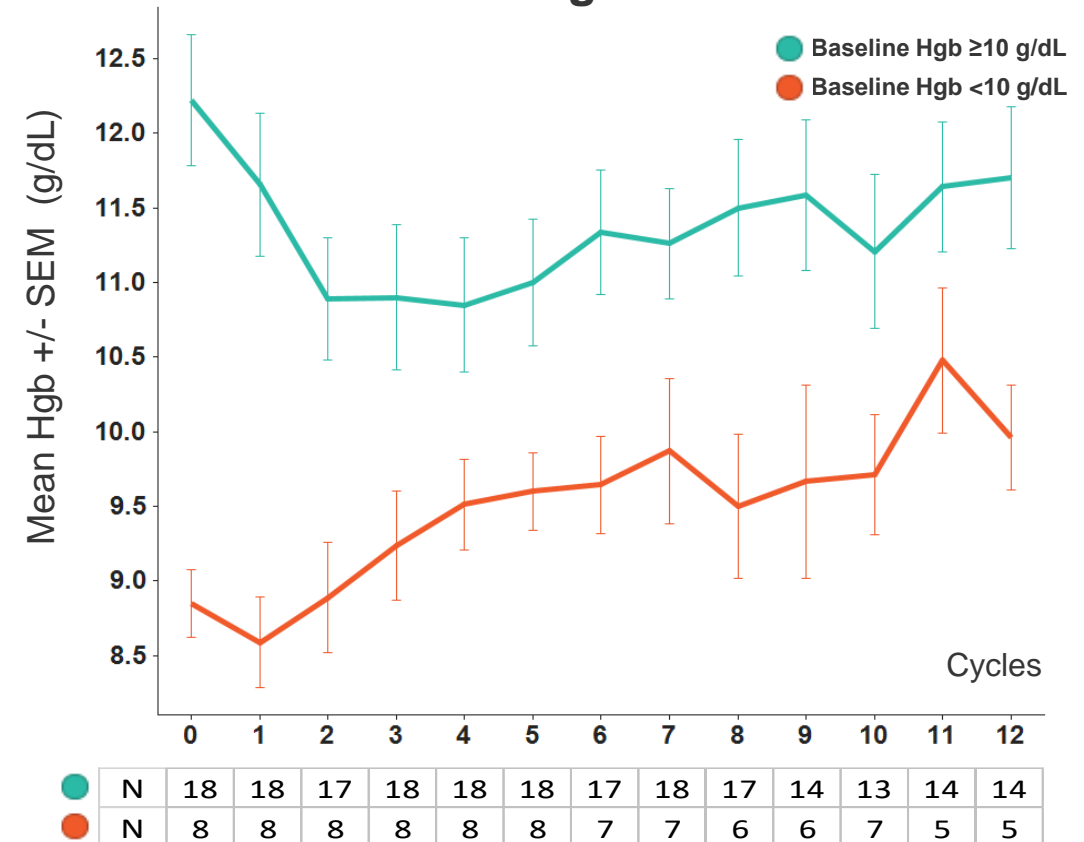
ALK2 inhibition reduces liver hepcidin expression, increases sequestered iron mobilization from cellular stores, and stimulates red blood cell production

CPI-0610: Hemoglobin improvement observed in patients with baseline hemoglobin <10 g/dL

All patients¹
Mean Hgb Over Time



Patients Without Transfusions^{1,2}
Mean Hgb Over Time



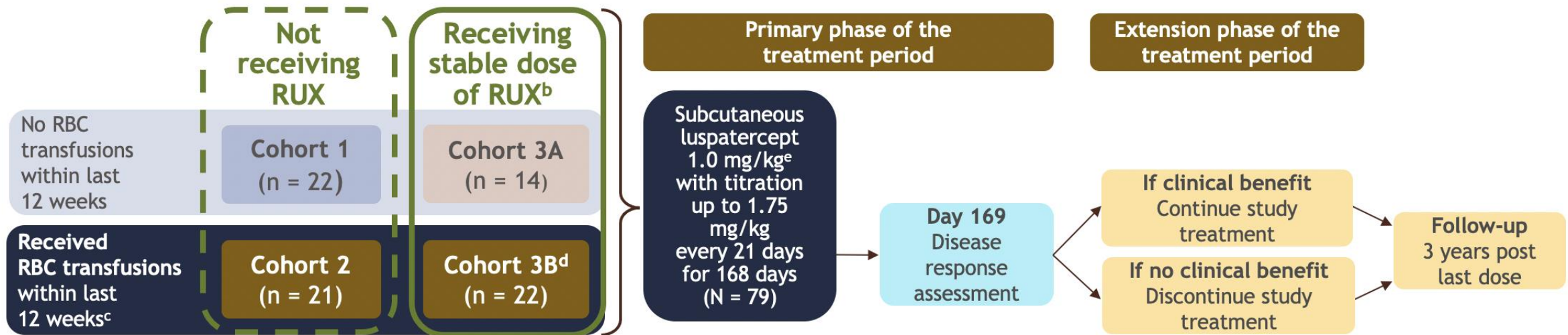
¹ Patients on treatment ≥ 12 wks

² Received no transfusions 12 wks prior to C1D1 and during treatment

Hgb: Hemoglobin

ACE-536-MF-001 study design^a

- This study reports the results of the ongoing open-label, phase 2 ACE-536-MF-001 trial evaluating luspatercept in subjects with MF and anemia, focusing on response in subjects requiring RBC transfusions (NCT03194542)



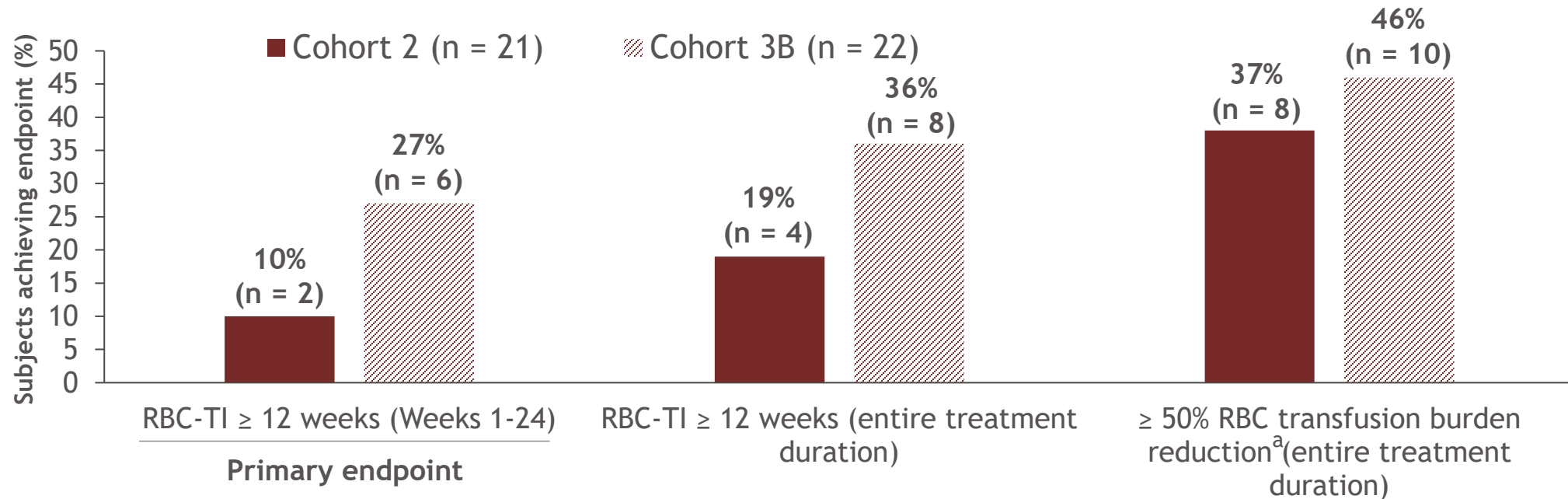
79 subjects with MF and anemia had been enrolled by the data cutoff and were included in this updated analysis (March 29, 2020)

- The analyses presented here focus on response in subjects requiring RBC transfusions (Cohorts 2 and 3B); safety is reported for all 79 subjects on study

As of March 29, 2020, 16 (20%) subjects remain on treatment. ^aEnrolled subjects had primary or post-essential thrombocythemia/post-polycythemia vera myelofibrosis; ^bA stable daily dose of RUX for at least 16 weeks at enrollment; for the 3 subjects enrolled in the expansion cohort in Cohort 3B, subjects were receiving a stable RUX dose for 40 weeks; ^c6-12 RBC units/84 days prior to treatment; or 4-12 units/84 days for the 3 subjects enrolled in the expansion cohort in Cohort 3B; ^dIncluding 3 subjects enrolled in the expansion cohort; ^eThe starting dose was 1.33 mg/kg in the expansion cohort subjects. MF, myelofibrosis; RBC, red blood cell; RUX, ruxolitinib.



Luspatercept: Rates of RBC transfusion independence and $\geq 50\%$ transfusion burden reduction ≥ 12 weeks

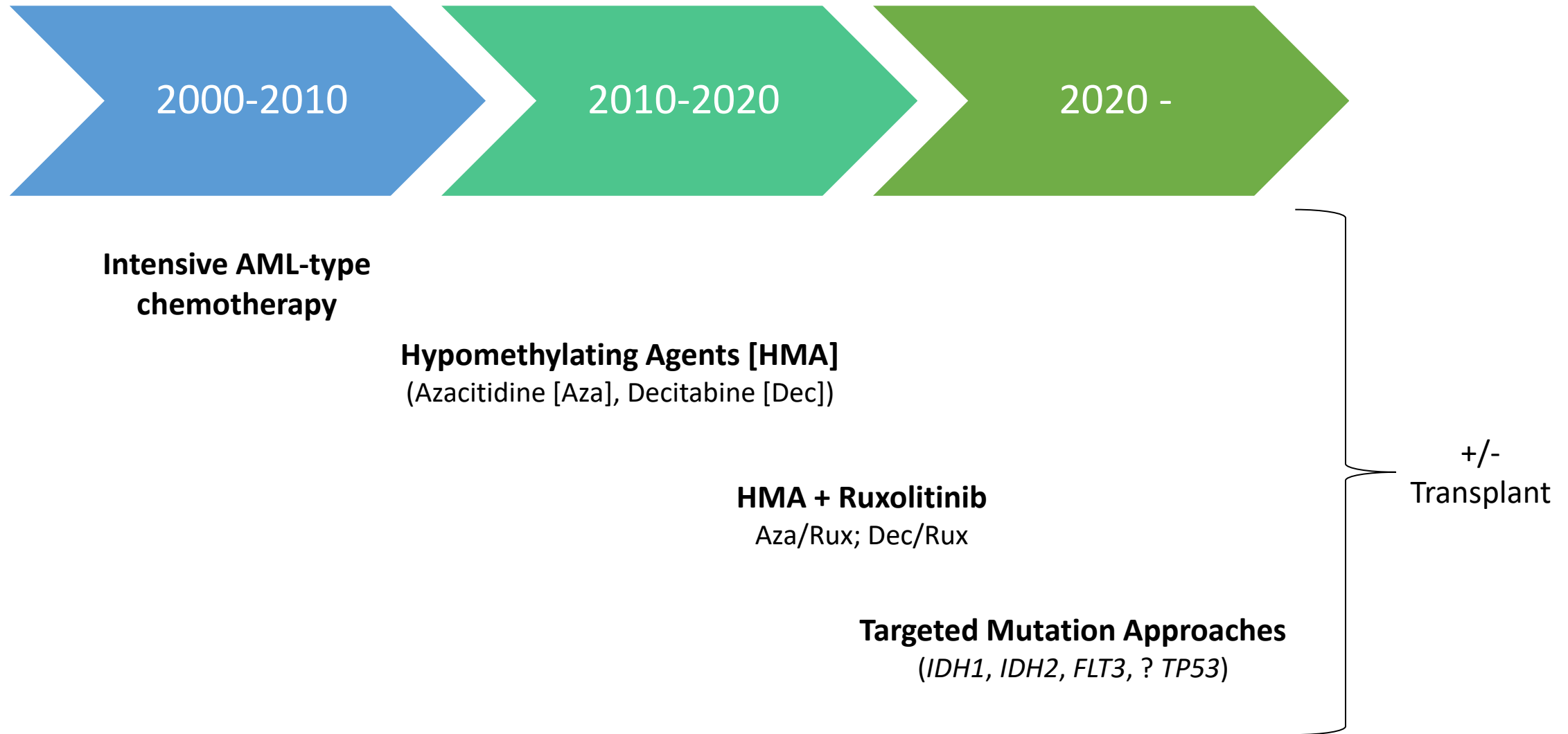


Achievement of multiple episodes of response

- Of the RBC-TI ≥ 12 -week responders in both Cohorts 2 and 3B, 25% experienced 2 separate episodes of RBC-TI ≥ 12 weeks
- Of the subjects who achieved $\geq 50\%$ reduction in RBC transfusion burden over any 12 weeks, 3 subjects in Cohort 2 (38%) and 2 subjects in Cohort 3B (20%) experienced 2 separate ≥ 12 -week response episodes
 - 1 subject (13%) in Cohort 2 experienced 3 separate episodes of RBC-TI ≥ 12 weeks

^aDefined as RBC transfusion burden reduction by $\geq 50\%$ and by ≥ 4 RBC U for ≥ 12 weeks.

Evolution of Drugs for Blast Phase MPN



HMA + Ruxolitinib Combinations in Accelerated and Blast Phase MPN

Reference	Patient Population	HMA	Overall Response Rate	Median Overall Survival
Rampal <i>et al</i> , <i>Blood Advances</i> , 2018	Accelerated and blast phase MPN	Decitabine	53%	7.9 months
Mascarenhas <i>et al</i> , <i>Blood Advances</i> , 2020	Accelerated and blast phase MPN	Decitabine	44%	9.5 months
Bose <i>et al</i> , <i>Leukemia</i> , 2020	Blast phase MPN	Decitabine	45%	6.9 months

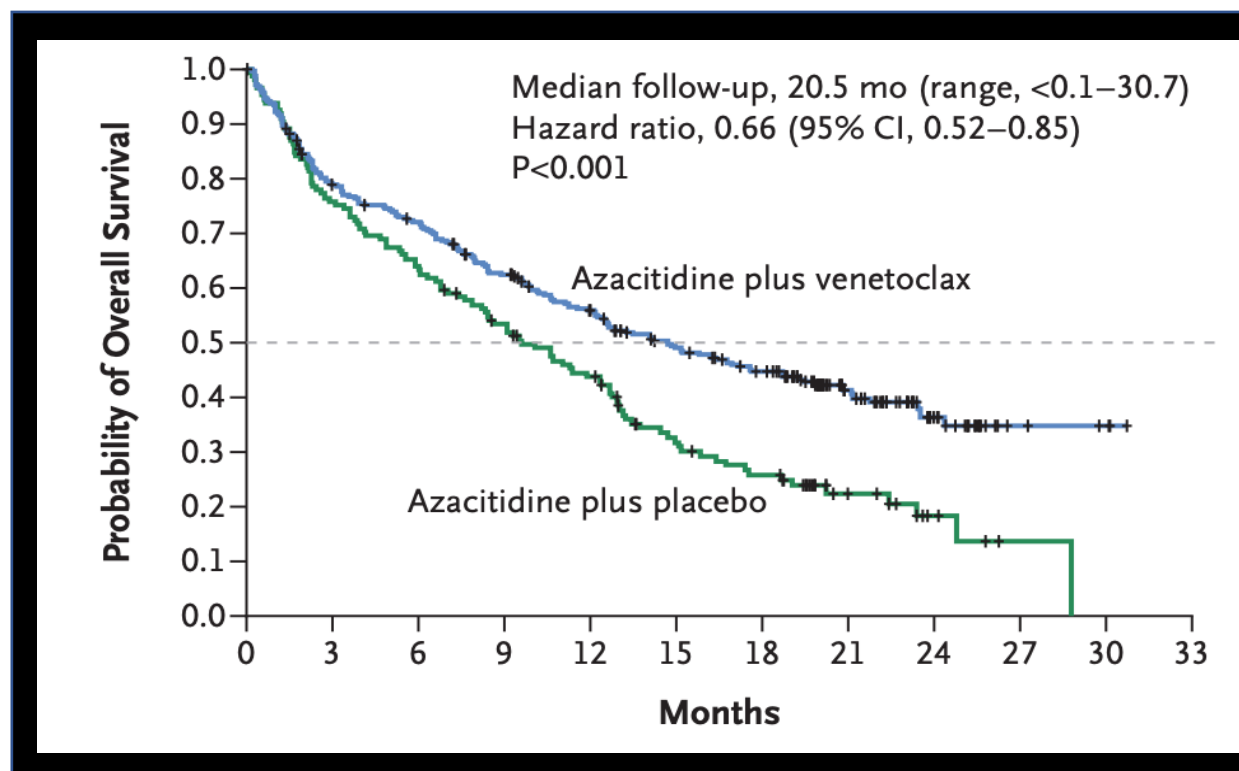
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**Median OS
14.7 vs 9.6 months**

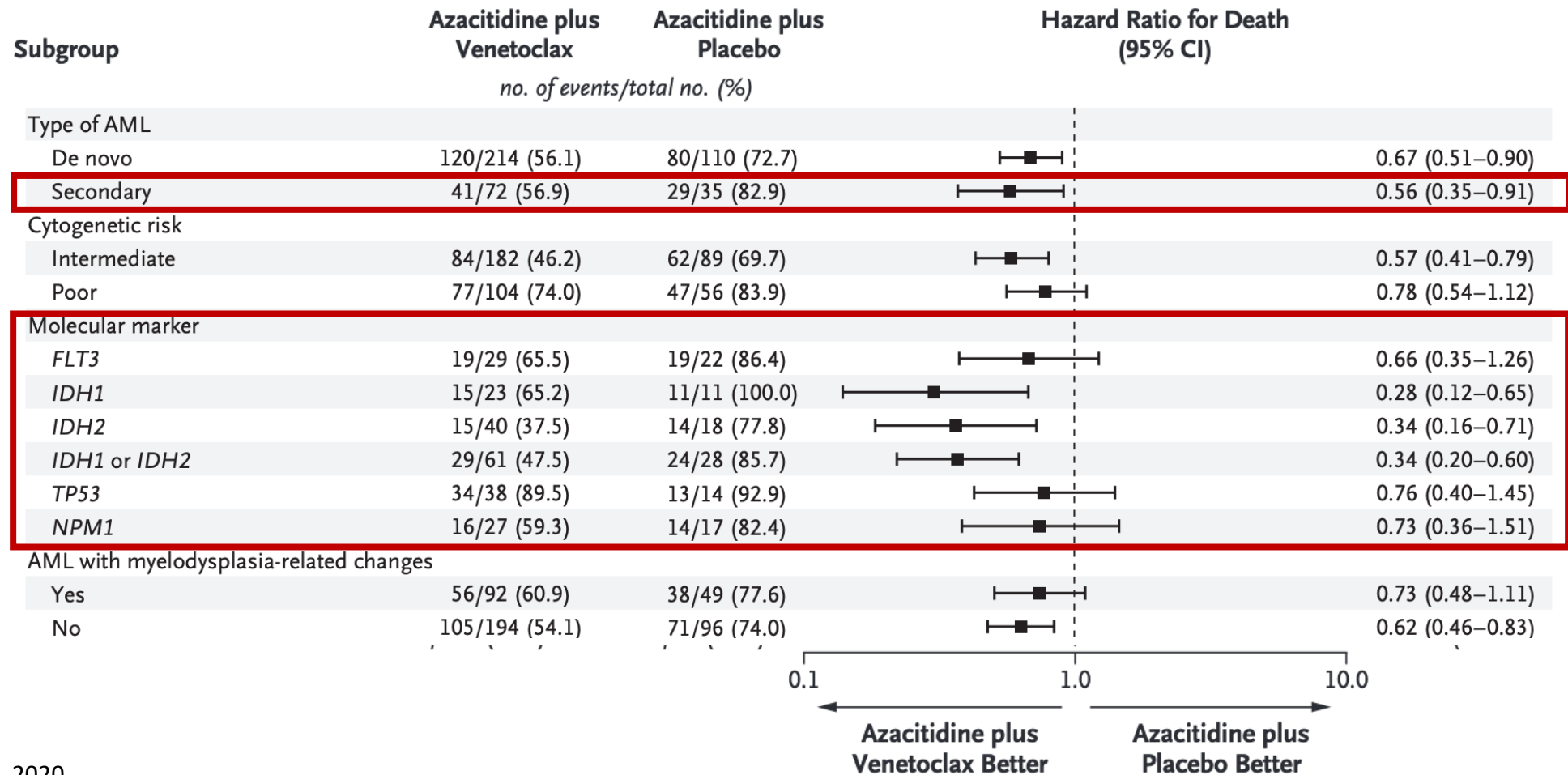
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Phase 2 Study of Venetoclax in Combination with Decitabine in Accelerated and Blast-Phase Myeloproliferative Neoplasms

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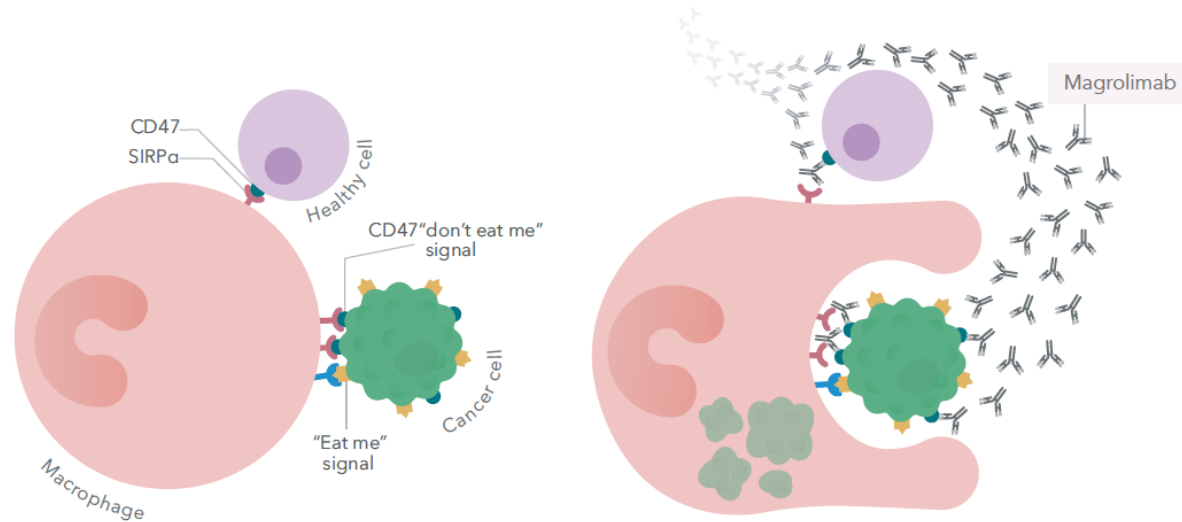
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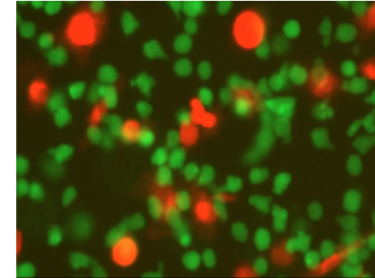
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Magrolimab (Formerly 5F9) Is a First-in-Class Macrophage Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Targeting CD47

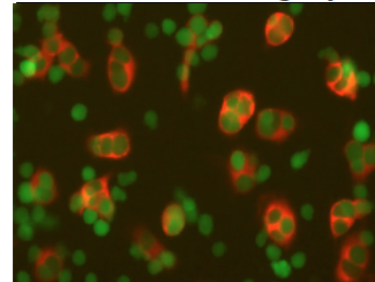


- CD47 is a “do not eat me” signal that is overexpressed in multiple cancers, including acute myeloid leukemia, leading to macrophage immune evasion
- Magrolimab, an IgG4 anti-CD47 monoclonal antibody, eliminates tumor cells through macrophage phagocytosis
- Magrolimab is being investigated in multiple cancers with >500 patients dosed

Control mAb: No Phagocytosis



Anti-CD47 mAb: Phagocytosis



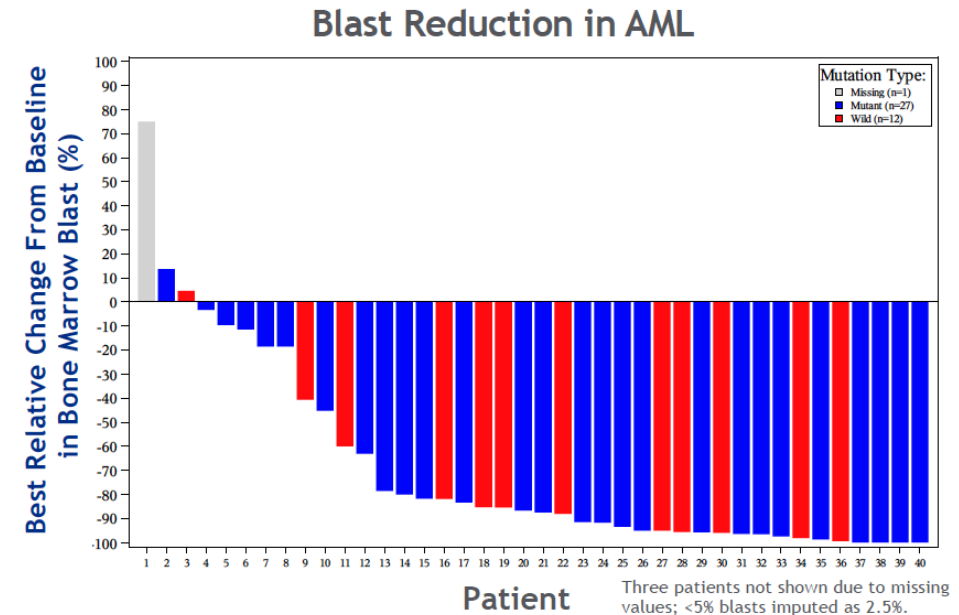
Macrophages
Cancer cells

ASH 2020 Abstract #330: Magrolimab in p53 AML

Magrolimab + AZA Induces High Response Rates in AML

Best Overall Response	All AML (N=43)	<i>TP53</i> mutant AML (29)
ORR	27 (63%)	20 (69%)
CR	18 (42%)	13 (45%)
CRi	5 (12%)	4 (14%)
PR	1 (2%)	1 (3%)
MLFS	3 (7%)	2 (7%)
SD	14 (33%)	8 (28%)
PD	2 (5%)	1 (3%)

Response assessments per 2017 AML ELN criteria. Patients with at least 1 post-treatment response assessment are shown

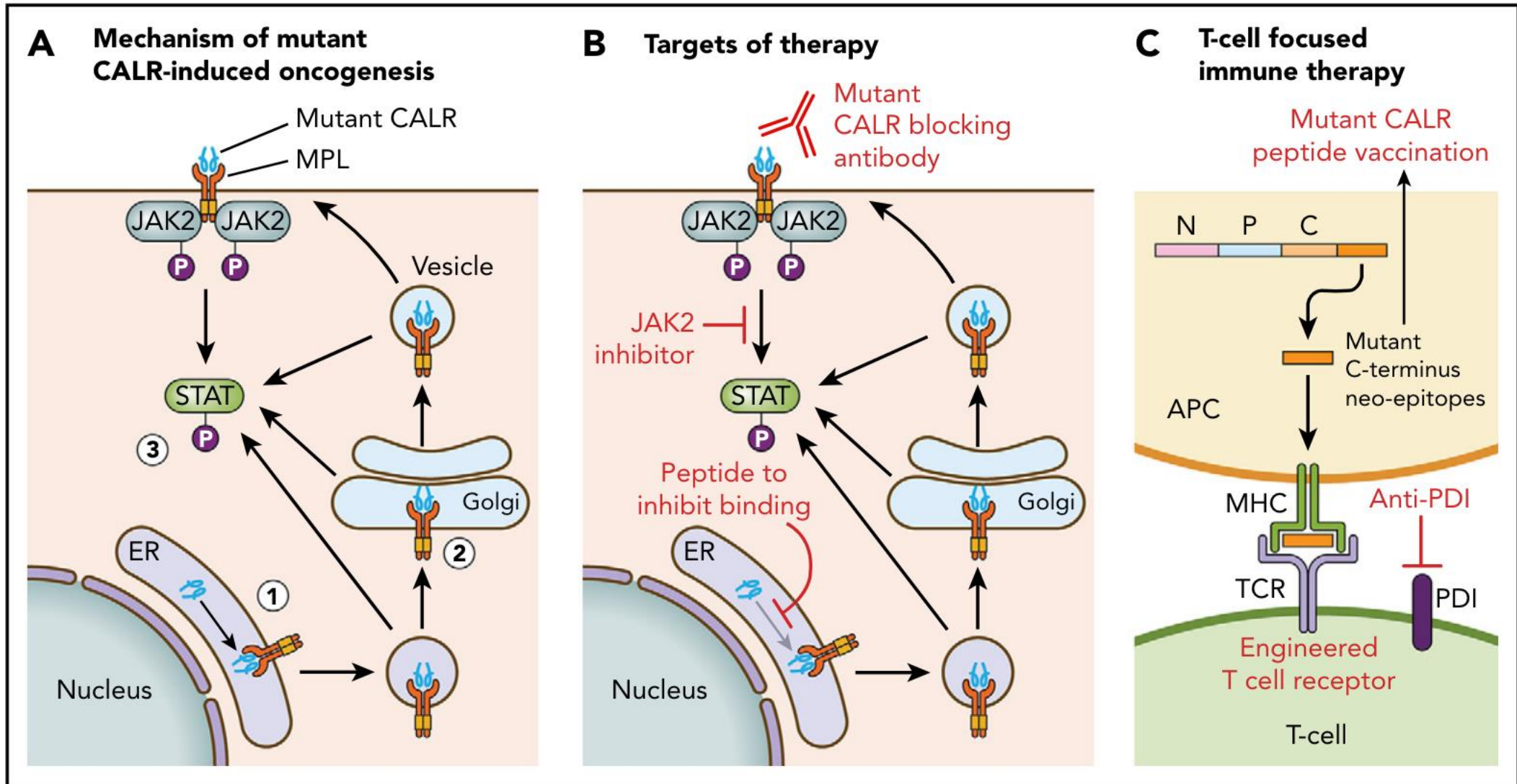


- Magrolimab + AZA induces a 63% ORR and 42% CR rate in AML including similar responses in *TP53*-mutant patients
- Median time to response is 1.95 months (range 0.95 to 5.6 mo), more rapid than AZA monotherapy
- 9.6% of patients proceeded to bone marrow stem cell transplantation
- Magrolimab + AZA efficacy compares favorably to AZA monotherapy (CR rate 18%-20%^{1,2})

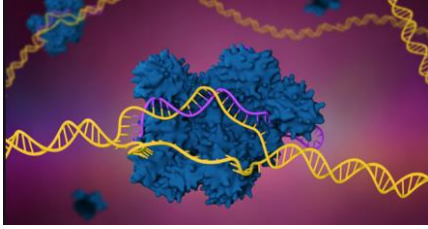
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What about CALR?

CALR Therapeutic Targeting



Phase 1 vaccination study in Denmark with a CALR exon 9 peptide vaccine (NCT03566446)



Genome Editing in MPNs ?

BRIEF REPORT

CRISPR-Cas9 Gene Editing for Sickle Cell Disease and β -Thalassemia

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Inherited, single-gene diseases

Diseases without increased malignancy potential

Partial correction can lead to dramatic improvement

Issues in MPNs

- Who are the optimal MPN candidates ?
- Often multi-mutated besides *JAK2*, *CALR*, *MPL* (esp. myelofibrosis)
- Risk of secondary acute leukemia from conditioning chemotherapy for infusion of edited autologous CD34+ cells
- Off-target editing; unanticipated effects on MPN hematopoietic stem cells

Aspirational Pursuits...

Inherited myeloproliferative neoplasm risk affects haematopoietic stem cells

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The risk of developing an MPN is increased by 5–7-fold in first-degree relatives of patients with MPNs

> 20 Statistically significant or suggestive gene loci associated with increased MPN risk:

JAK2 46/1, SH2B3, ZNF521, GATA2, MECOM, RUNX1, HMGA1, ATM, FOXO1, TET2, PRKCE, STXBP5L, SMC4, KPNA4, SLC12A7, F2RL1, MAD1L1, MKLN1, FOXG1 DLK1, TERT, CHEK2, GFI1B

Gene Variants Associated with Increased MPN Risk and Functional Consequences in Hematopoietic Stem Cells

TERT: (Telomerase Reverse Transcriptase): protein component of the enzyme telomerase which adds DNA to the ends of chromosomes. Telomerase is reactivated or upregulated in the vast majority of cancers.

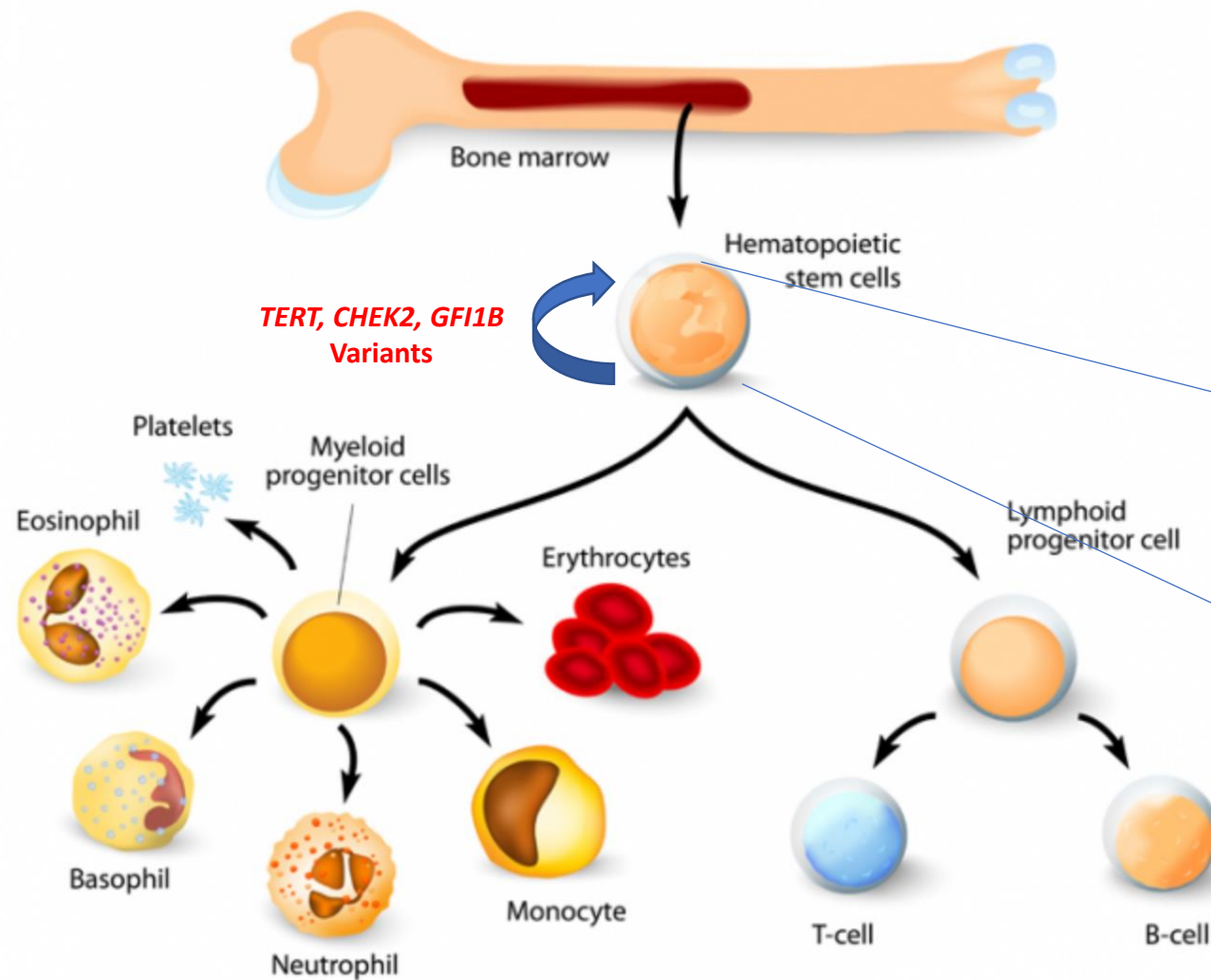
The top two TERT variants for increased telomere length, TERT rs7705526 and rs2853677 were also the lead variants for MPN risk

CHEK2: a protein that acts a tumor suppressor. CHEK2 regulates cell division, and can prevent cells from dividing too rapidly. Usually constrains hematopoietic stem cell expansion.

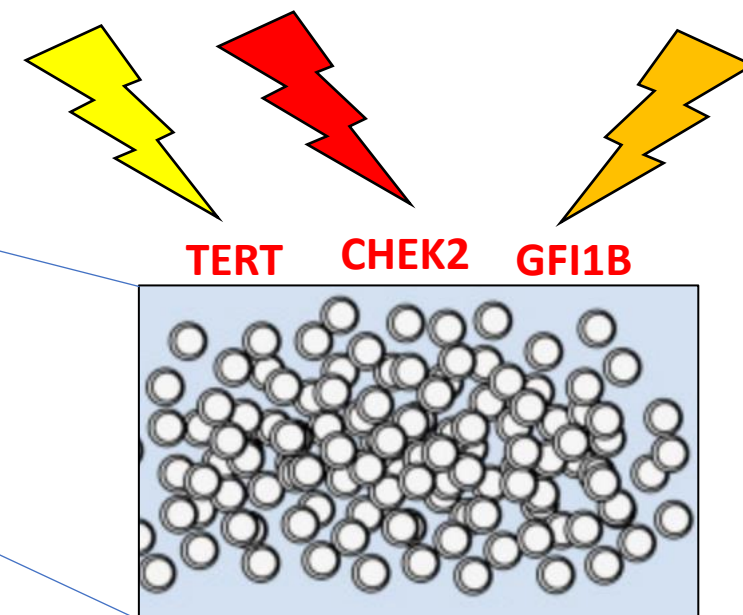
The CHEK2 I157T variant reduces the function of CHEK2, promotes hematopoietic stem cell self-renewal, and may therefore increase MPN risk

GFI1B: a master DNA transcription factor that is necessary for maintaining hematopoietic stem cell quiescence.

The GFI1B rs524137 variant results in decreased expression of GFI1B in hematopoietic stem cells and increases their self-renewal



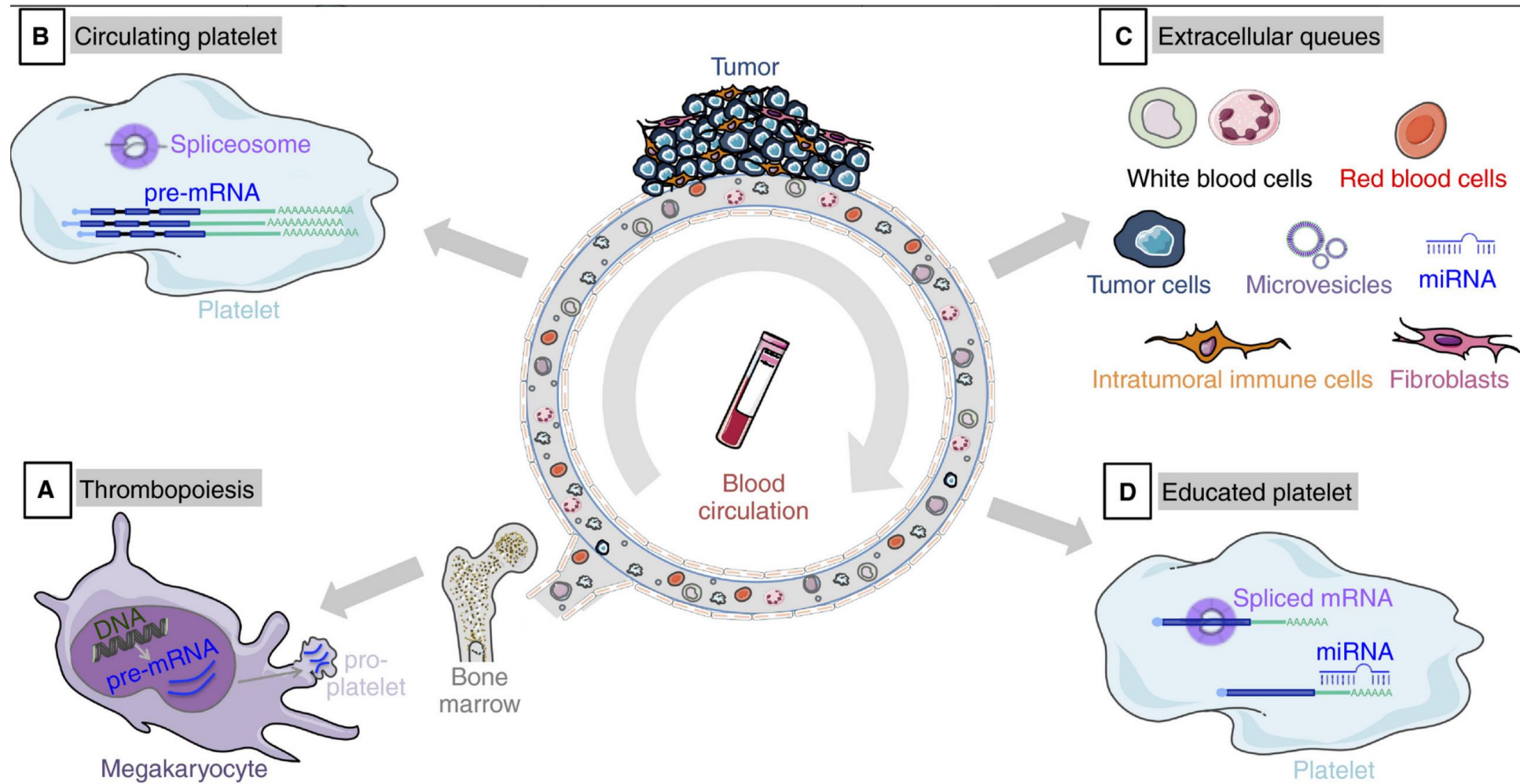
Normal Hematopoiesis



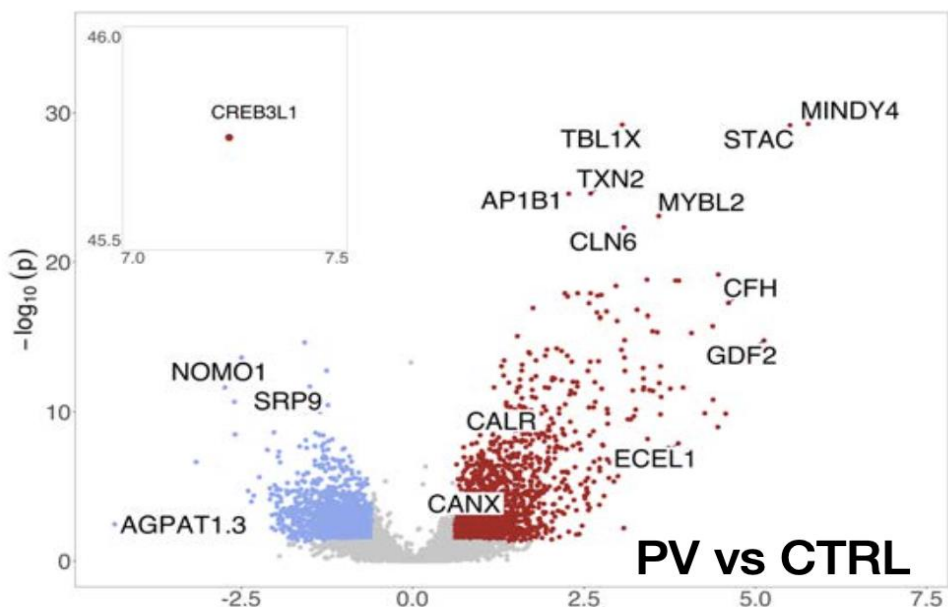
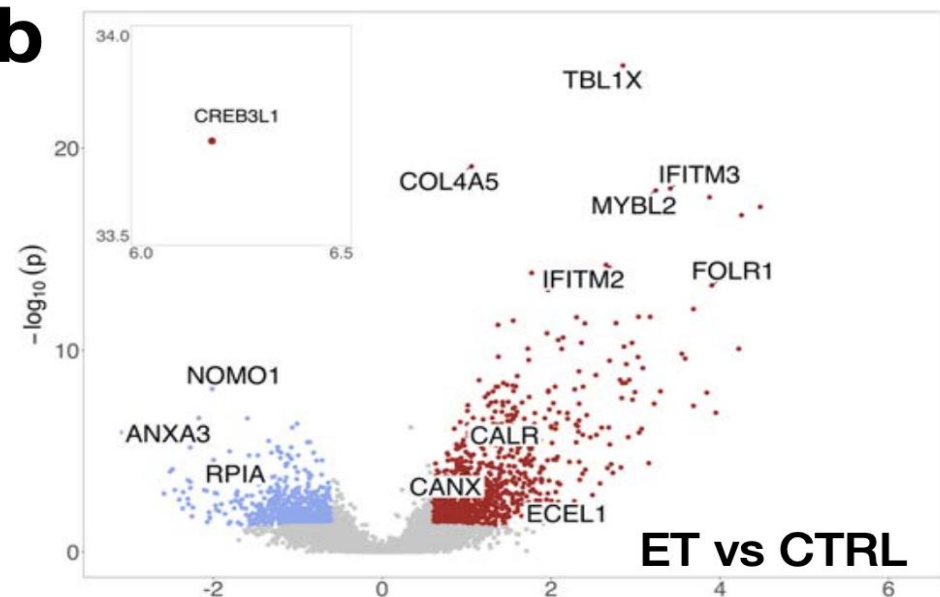
Therapeutic 'correction'
of germline variants to
mitigate future risk of MPN?

Use of genome editing?

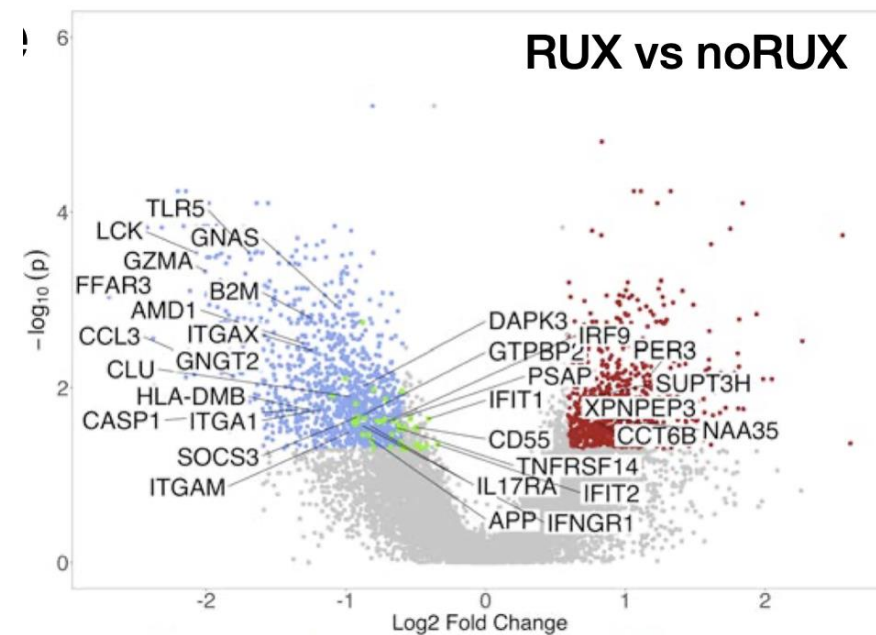
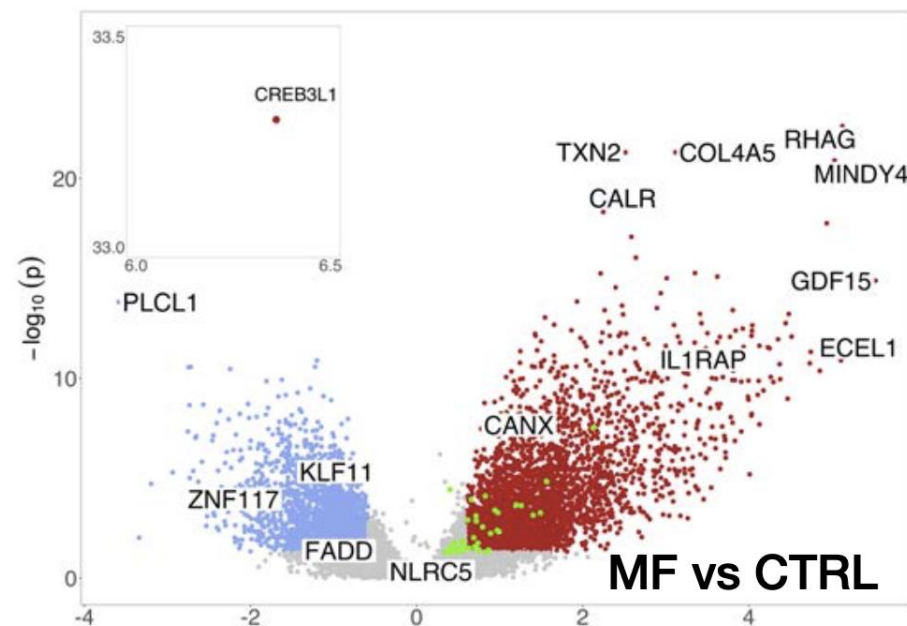
Platelet transcriptome (RNA sequencing) in MPNs



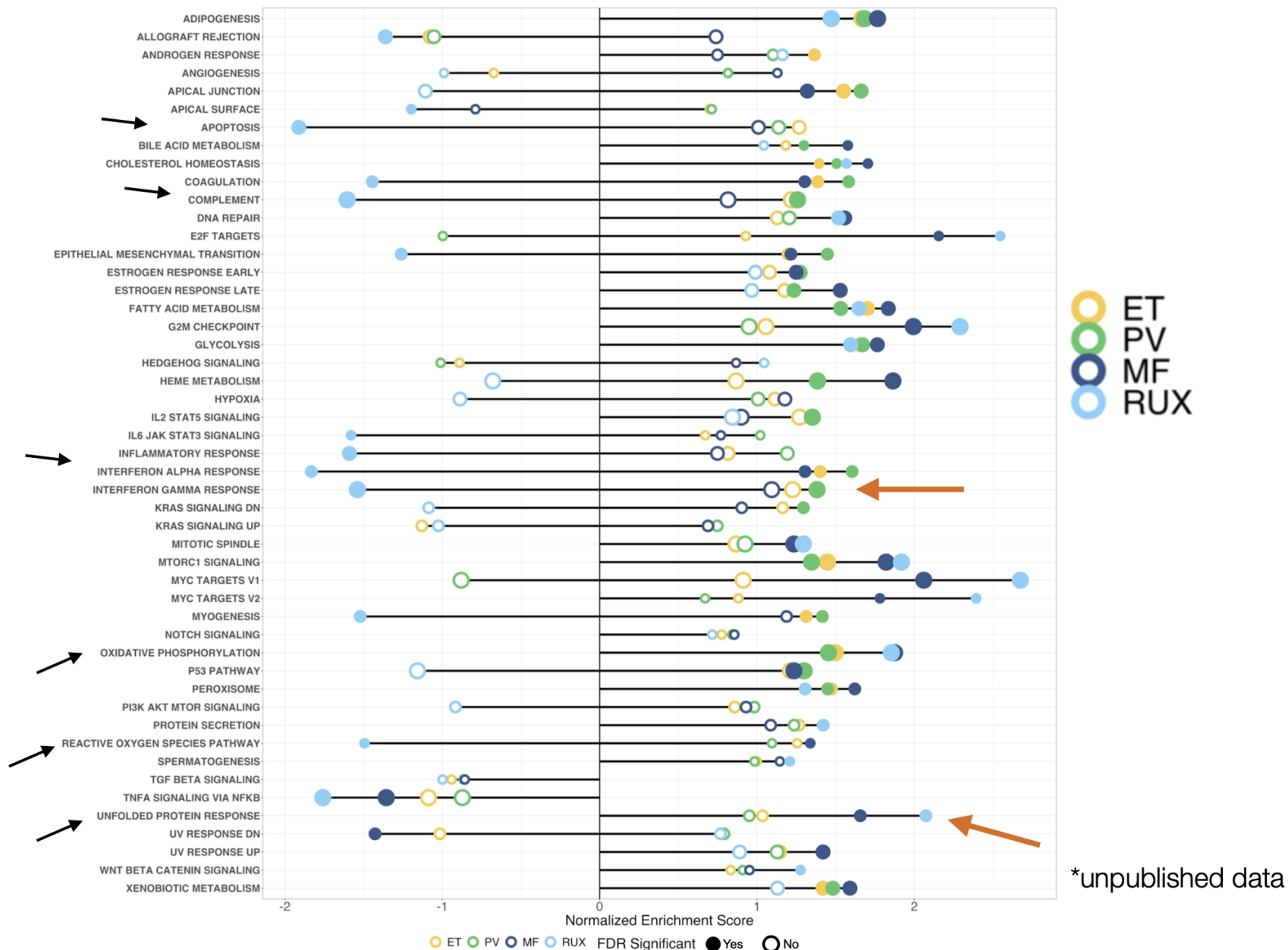
Platelet transcriptome represents a critical biomarker of megakaryocytic activity, and provides a snapshot of the underlying hemostatic, thrombotic, and inflammatory derangements associated with MPNs and the potential impact of treatment

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Volcano plots
of changes
in RNA
expression
from platelets
from ET, PV, &
MF patients,
and changes on
RUX therapy



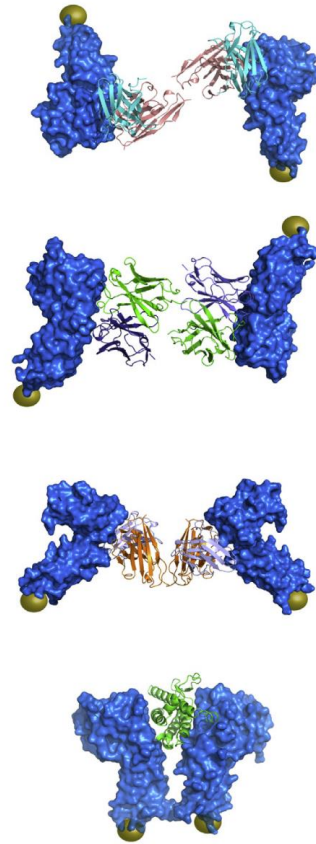
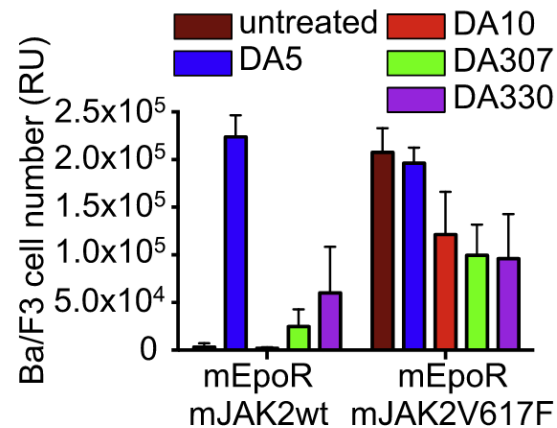
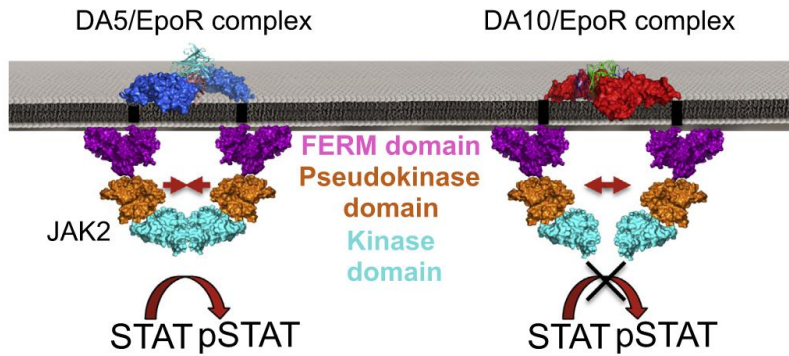
Potential Targets for MPNs



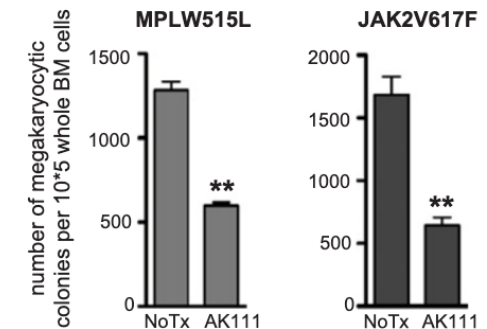
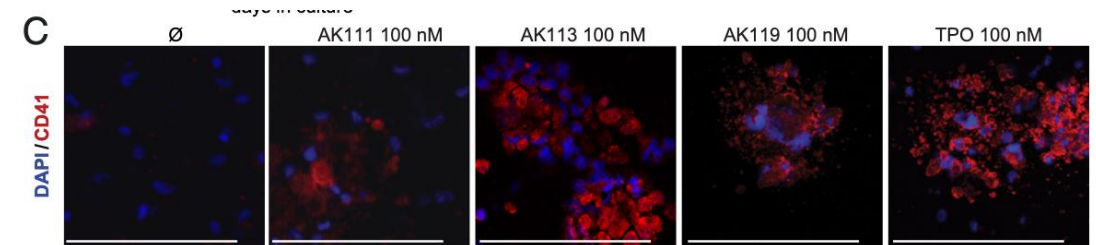
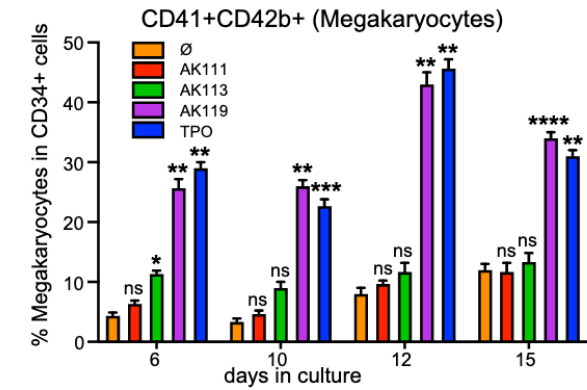
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Diabodies, small molecules that can dial-up or dial-down the activity of EPO receptor and TPO receptor (MPL)

EPO Receptor



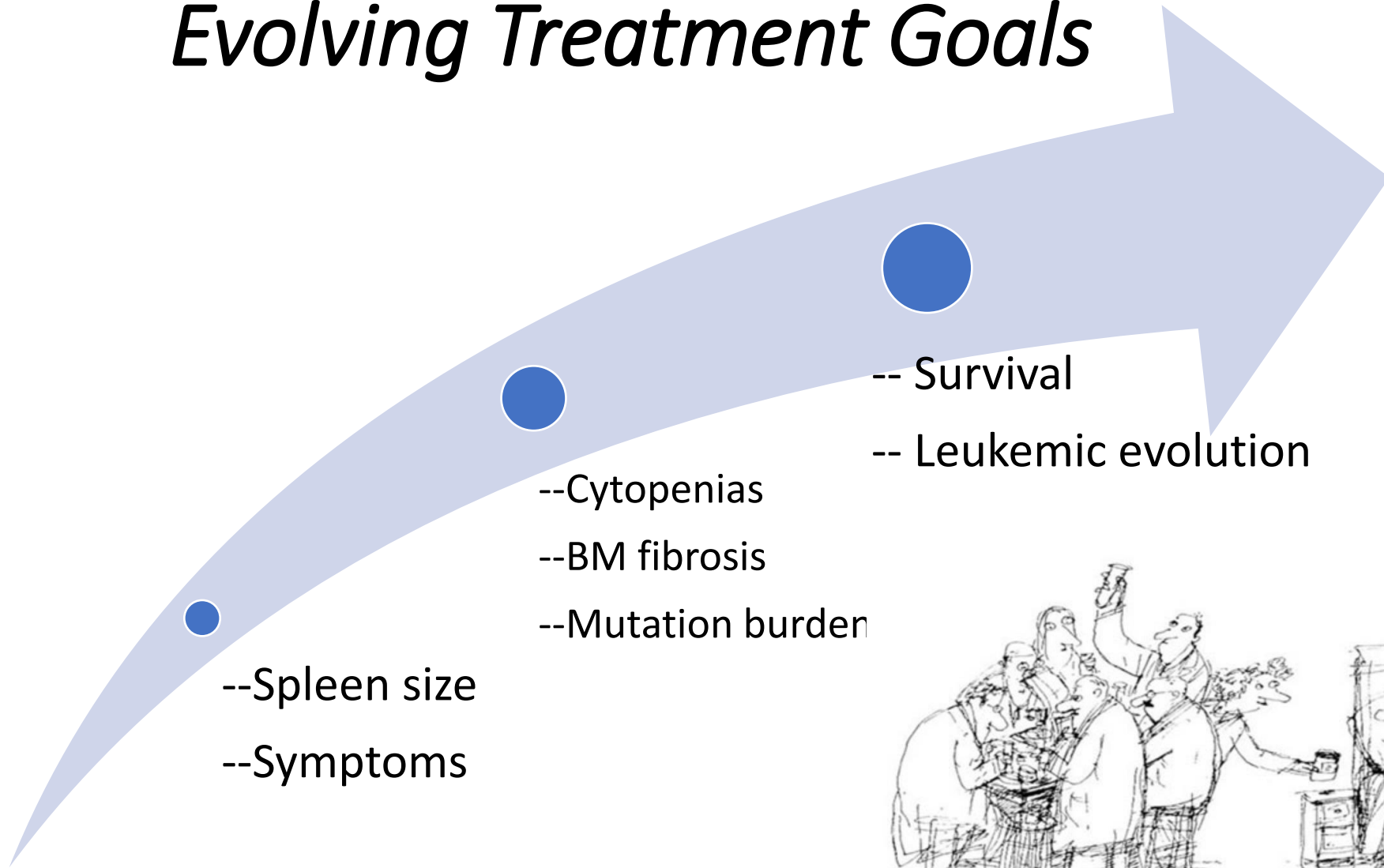
TPO Receptor (MPL)



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