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A PHASE II STUDY OF OUTPATIENT ADMINISTRATION OF DECITABINE FOR 5 DAYS EVERY 4 WEEKS TO ADULTS WITH MYELOYDYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES MYELOYDYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES

Steensma et al, abstract 225 (poster)

Confirmatory US Phase II study: decitabine administered on a 5-day schedule in MDS

Objective

- Evaluation of IV dosing of decitabine over 1 hour once daily for 5 days

Patients

- Median age 72 years; 72% male; 89% de novo MDS, median time from diagnosis 154 days, and 27% received prior therapy
- Low 1%; Int-1 53%; Int-2 23%; High 23%

Results: (ITT: 99 patients; 87 patients evaluable for efficacy; 99 for safety)

Best response	ITT	Eval
CR + mCR	32%	38%
Overall Improvement rate (CR + PR + HI)	51%	60%
Stable disease (SD)	24%	29%
Progressive disease (PD)	10%	12%

mCR: marrow CR

Median of 5 cycles of decitabine (range 1-20), 38% of patients receiving ≥8 cycles

Azacitidine in patients with lower-risk MDS: results from an Italian named patient programme

Patient characteristics (n=74)

- IPSS low- or int-1-risk
- Transfusion dependent at diagnosis: **83.8%**
- **Previous therapy: 73.0%**

Azacitidine

Median cycles:
7 (1–30)

Dose: **75mg/m²**
(60.8% patients)

Schedule: **7 days**
every 28 days
(58.1% patients)

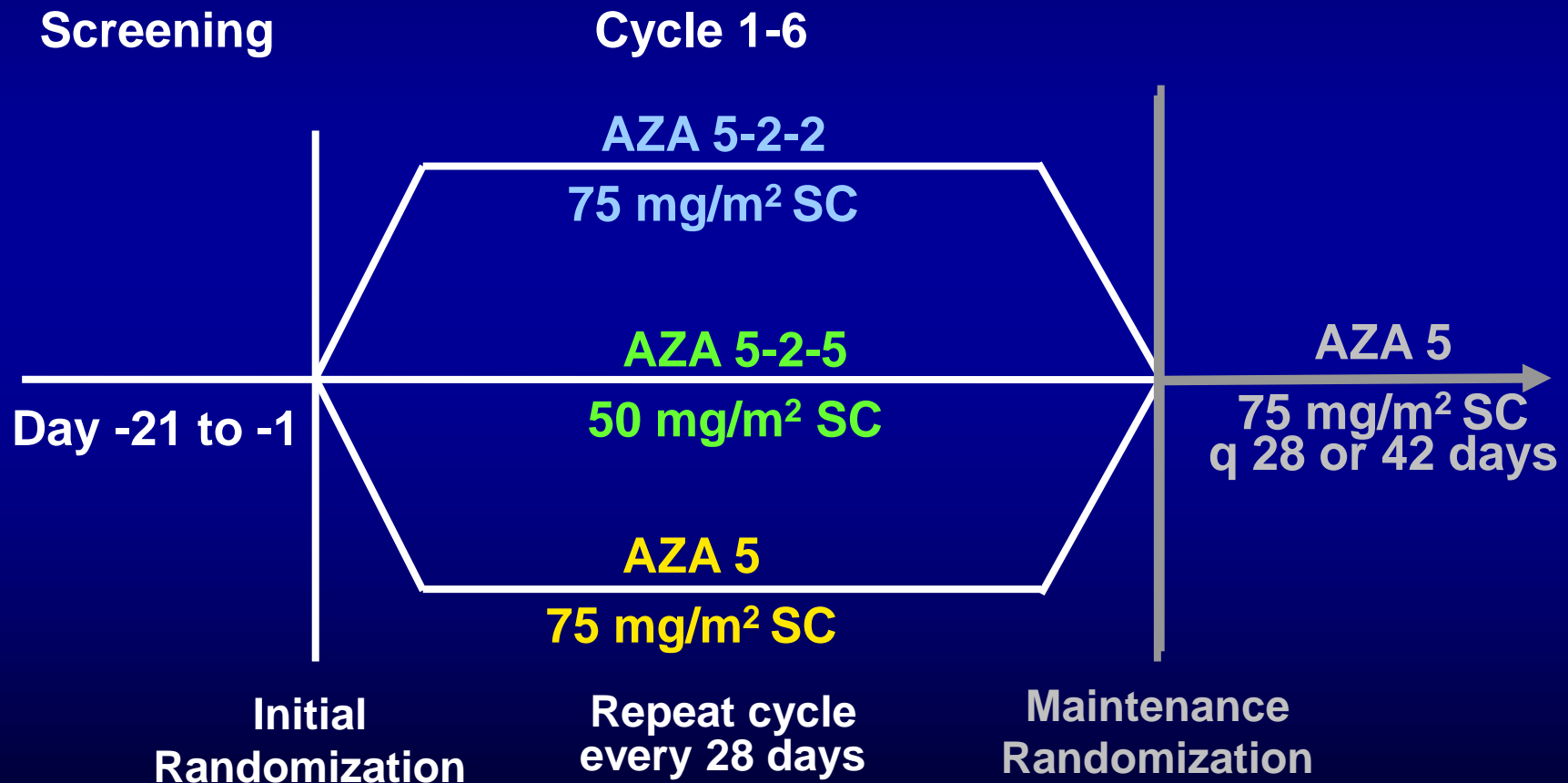
CR = complete response; PR = partial response
HI = haematological improvement
BM = bone marrow; OS = overall survival

Response to therapy

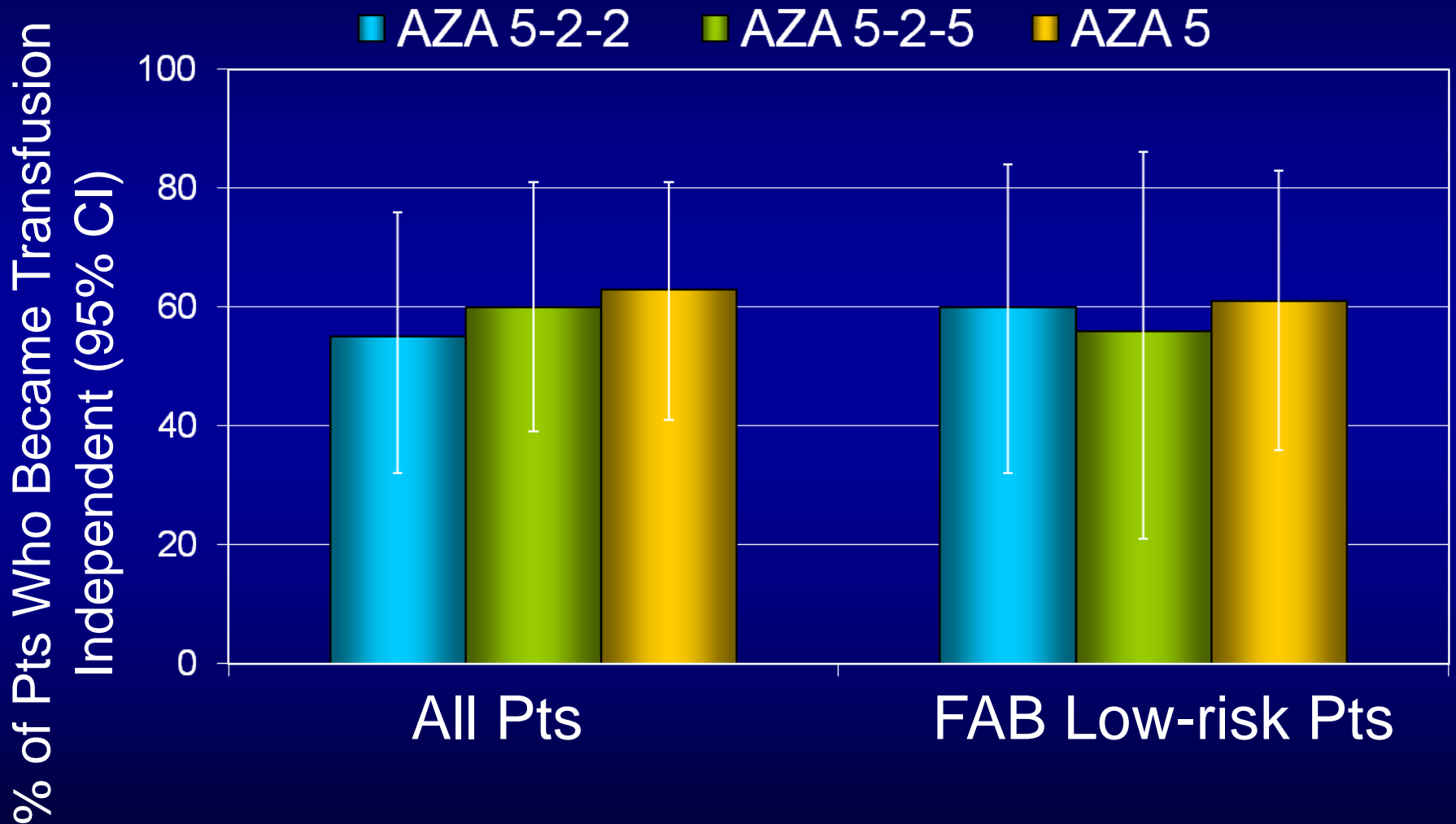


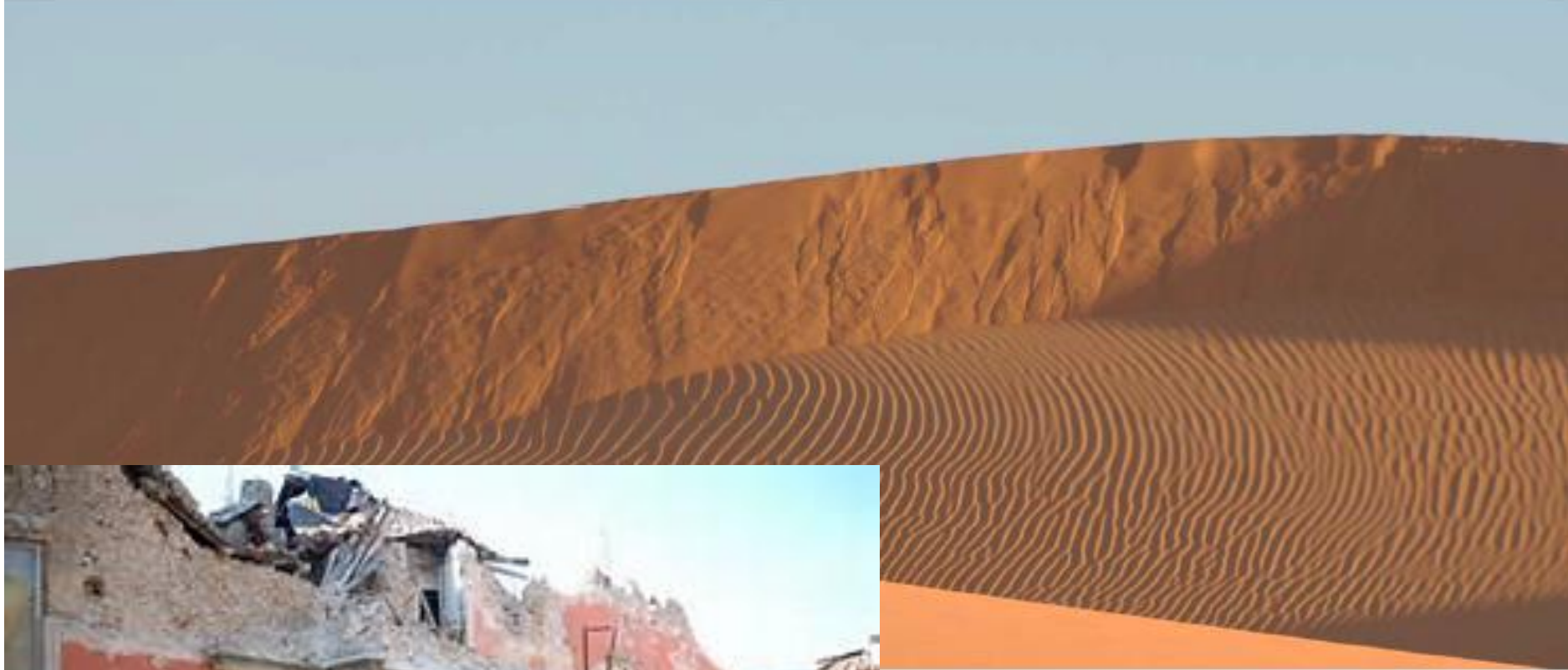
- 77% of responses occurred within the first 6 cycles
- Median duration of response = 6 months
- Projected OS at 30 months = 70.8% (median follow-up of 15 months)
- Projected OS was higher in responders than non-responders (93.9 vs 53.8%; p<0.0014)

Phase II, prospective, multicenter, randomized, open-label, 3-arm trial azacitidine in community hospitals



RBC Transfusion Independence in Baseline-Dependent Pts

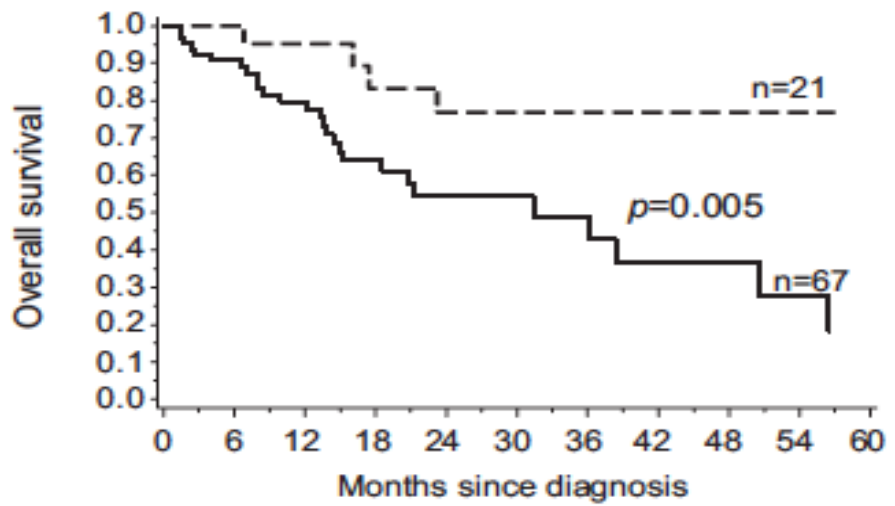




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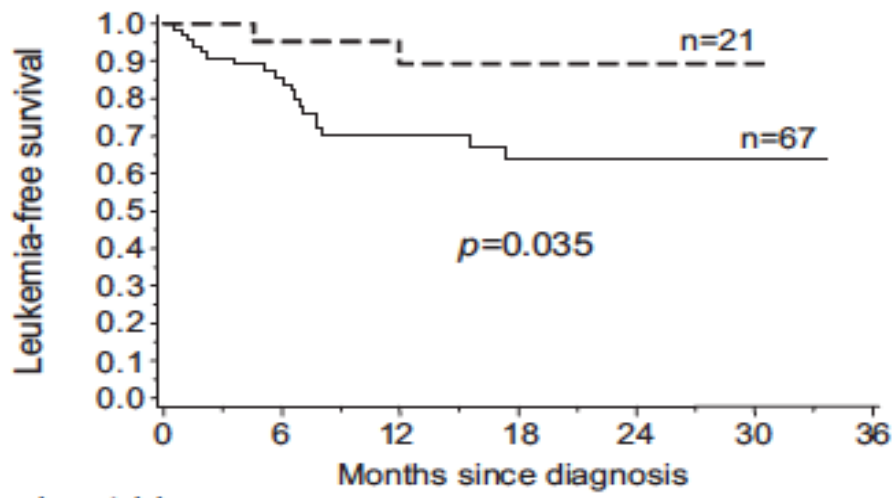
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TET2 Mutations are independent favorable prognostic variable in MDS

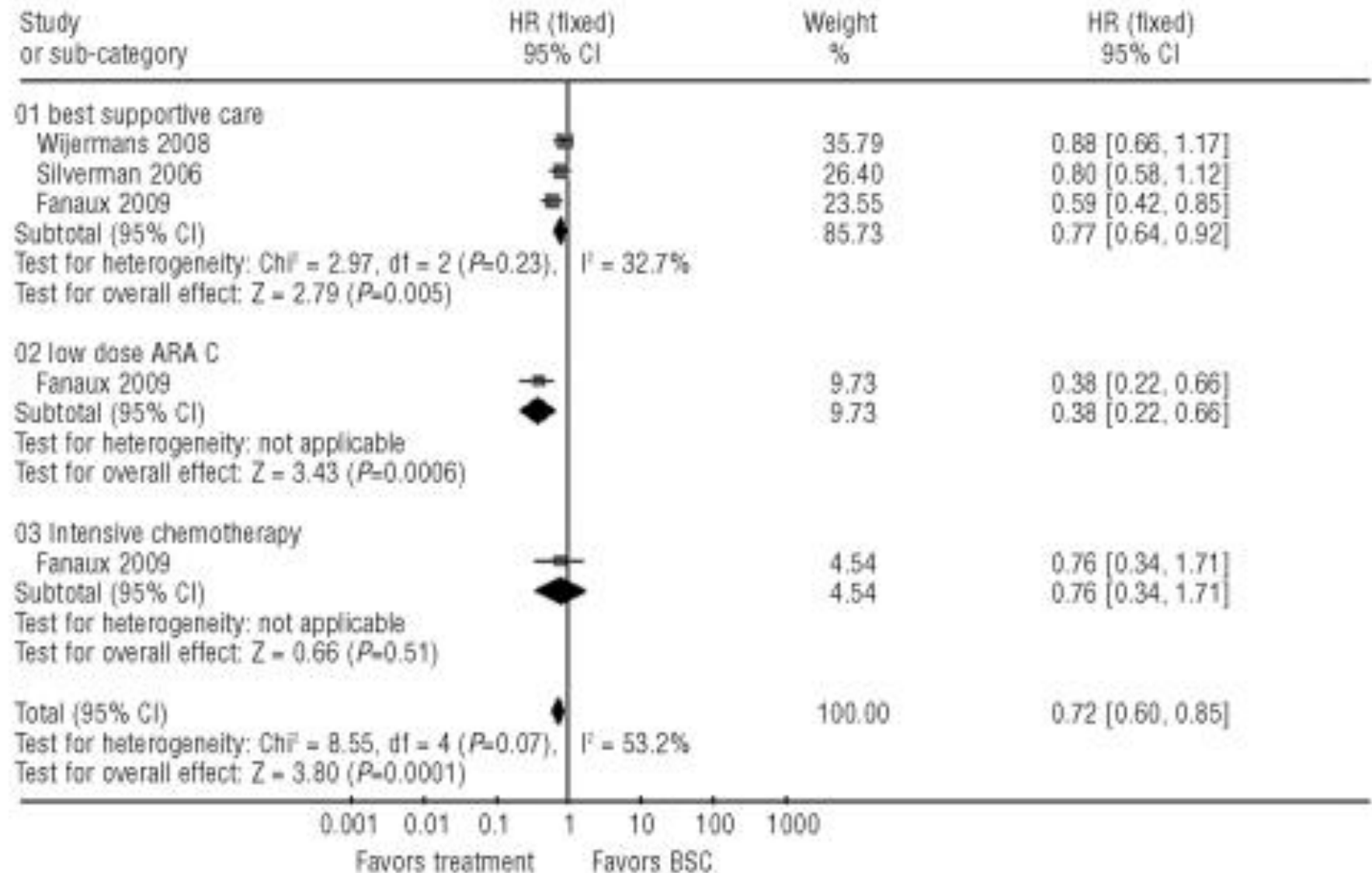


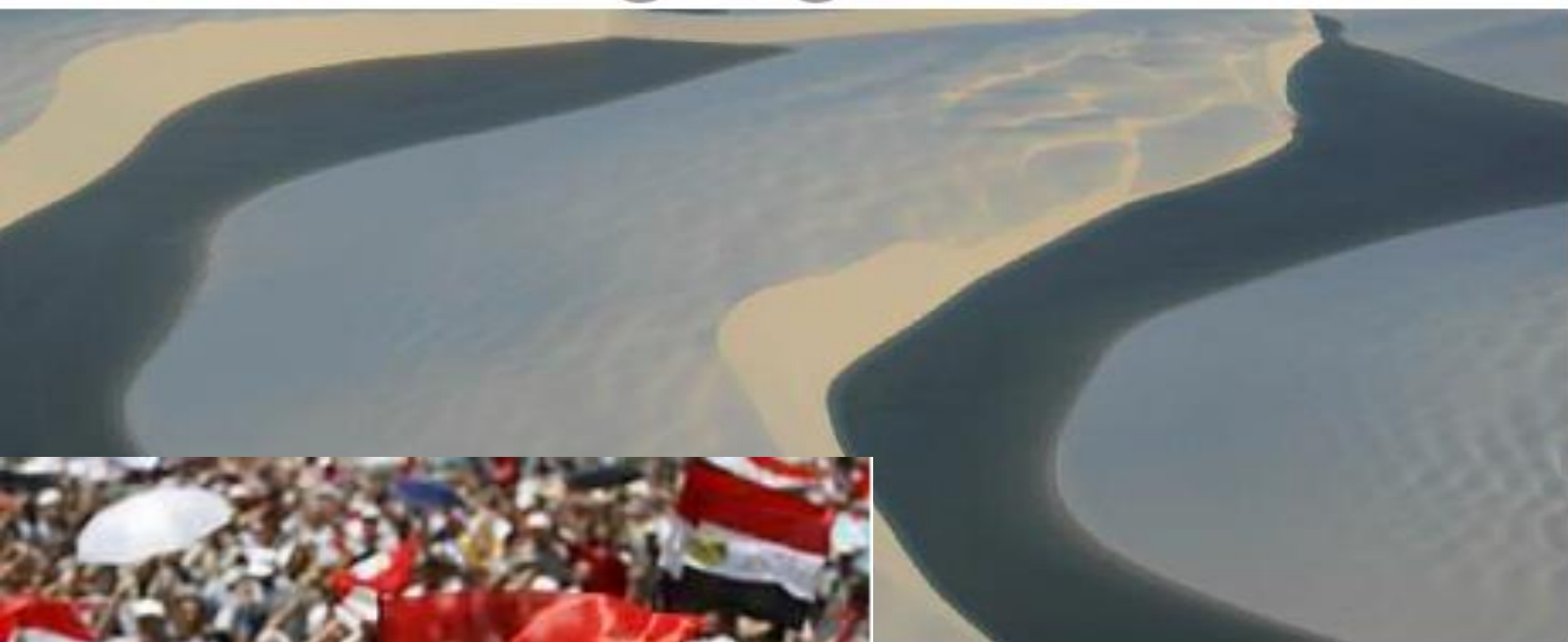
Number at risk

Months since diagnosis	0	12	24	36	48	60
Mutated (n)	21	16	12	11	8	3
Unmutated (n)	67	38	14	8	4	2



Metanalysis of efficacy of azacitidine and decitabine in MDS





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New classification of cytogenetic risk

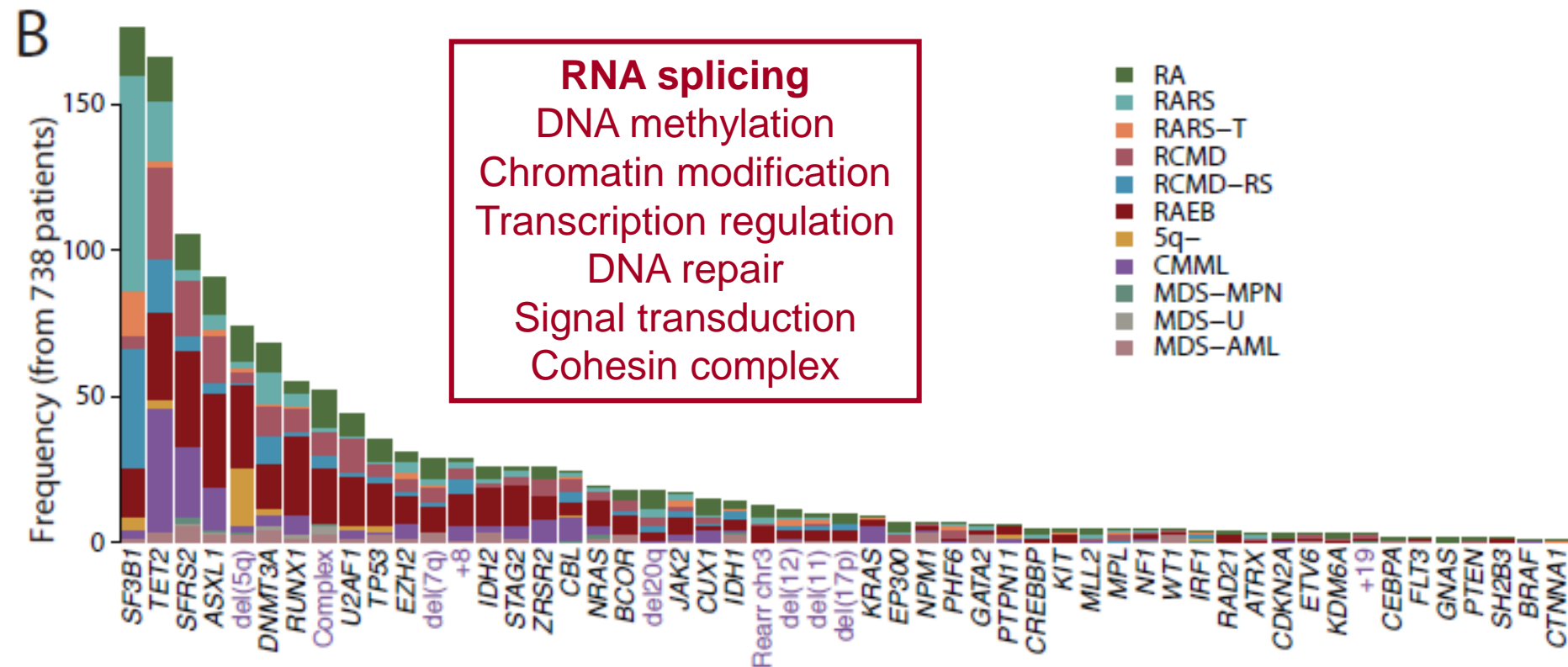
Very good	Good	Intermediate	Poor	Very poor
<p><u>Isolated:</u> del(11q) -Y</p>	<p>Normal <u>Isolated:</u> der(1;7) del(5q) del(12p) del(20q)</p>	<p><u>Isolated:</u> 7q- +8 i(17p) +21 +19 Other single</p>	<p><u>Isolated:</u> der(3)(q21q26) -7</p>	<p><u>Complex</u> >3 anomalies</p>
	<p>Double with 5q-</p>	<p>Other double</p>	<p><u>Complex</u> 3 anomalies</p>	
			<p>Double with -7/7q-</p>	



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Clinical Effect of Point Mutations in Myelodysplastic Syndromes

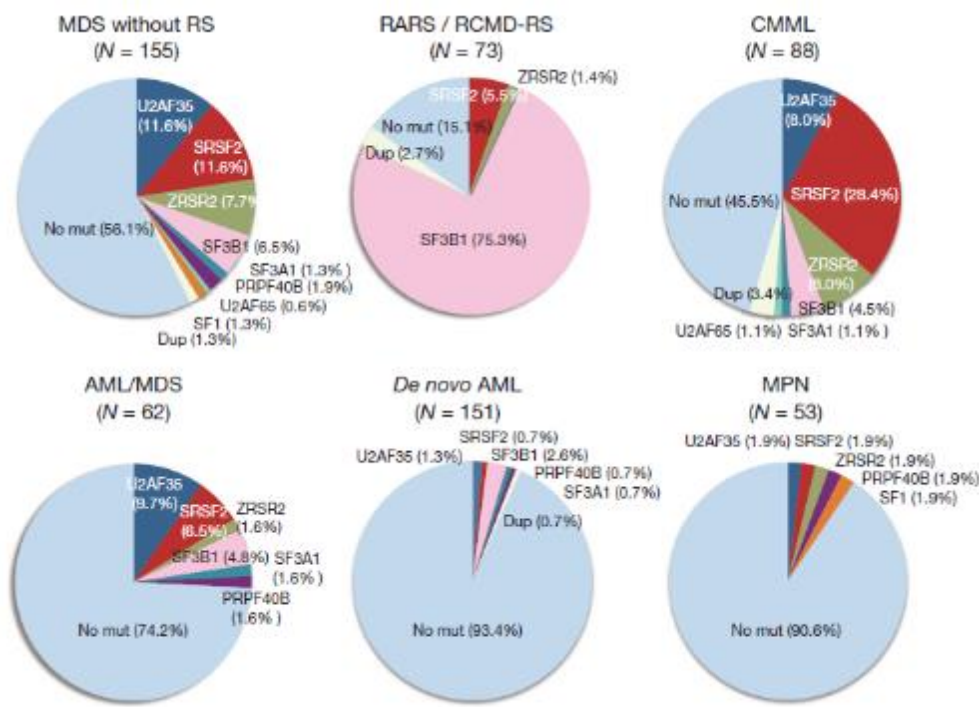


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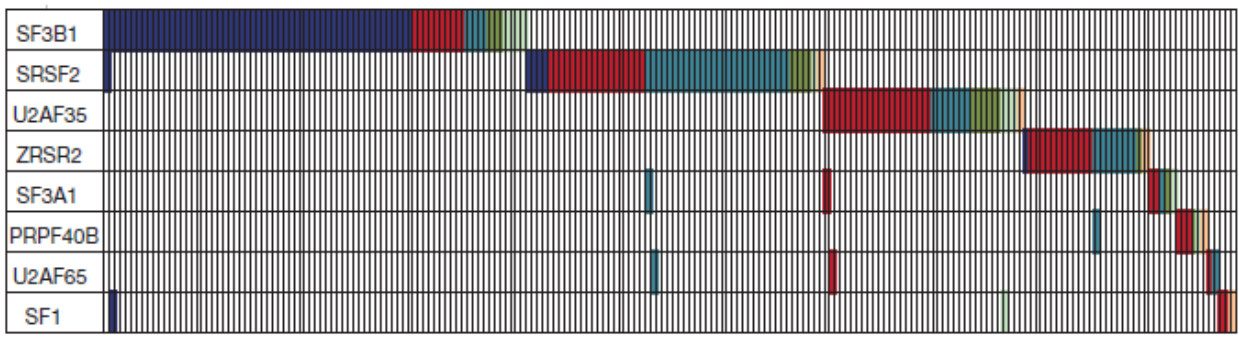
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Della Porta MG et al. *Leukemia* 2015;29:1502-13

Frequent pathway mutations of splicing machinery in myelodysplasia



■ RARS/RCMD-RS
 ■ MDS without RS
 ■ CMML
 ■ AML/MDS
 ■ De novo AML
 ■ MPN



Combined analysis MDS-003/004: Conclusions

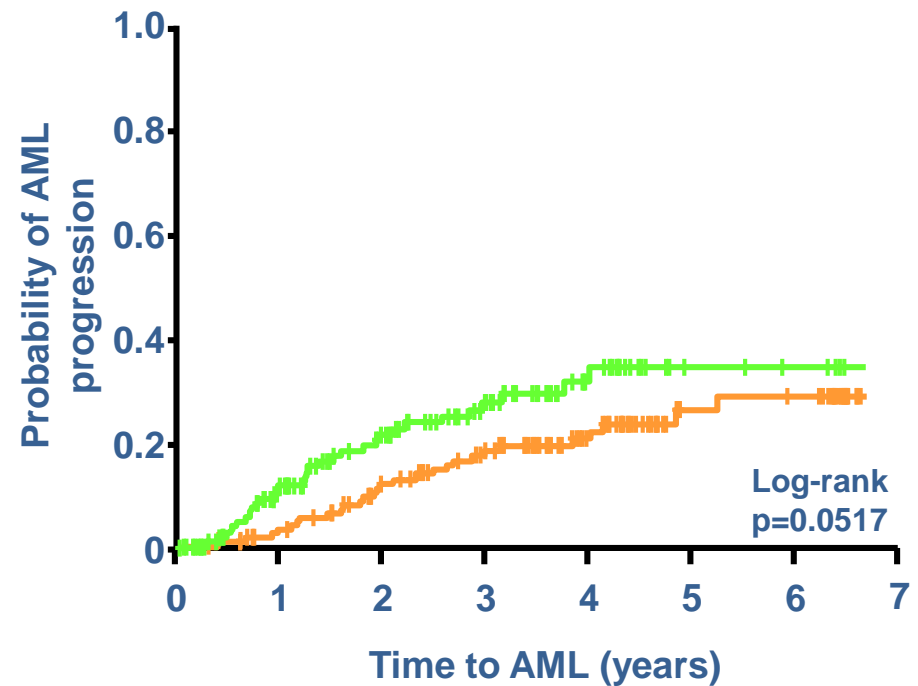
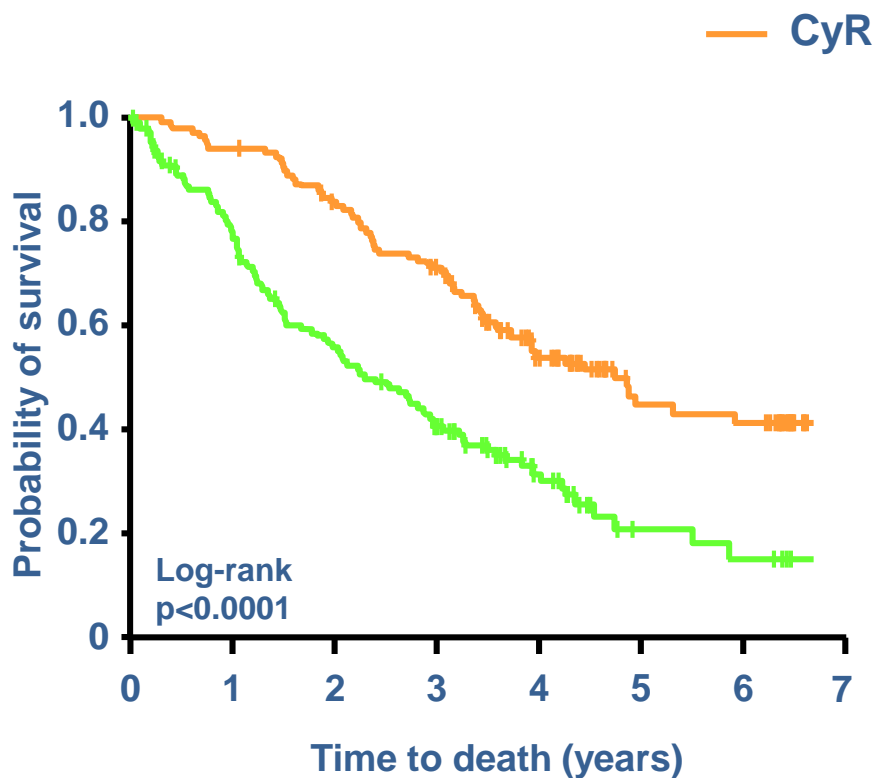
Predictive factors* associated with:

- ↑ risk of AML progression →
 - del(5q) plus ≥ 2 abnormalities
 - higher transfusion burden
- ↑ risk of death →
 - older age
 - higher FAB subtype
 - del(5q) plus ≥ 2 abnormalities
 - higher transfusion burden
- ↓ risk of AML progression →
 - CyR
- ↓ risk of death →
 - CyR
 - RBC-TI for ≥ 26 weeks
 - higher platelet count

Combined analysis of MDS-003 and MDS-004: impact of cytogenetic response on OS and progression to AML in lower risk MDS patients with del(5q) treated with lenalidomide (n=286)

Achievement of CyR was associated with significantly longer OS

Risk of AML progression appeared to be higher in patients without CyR

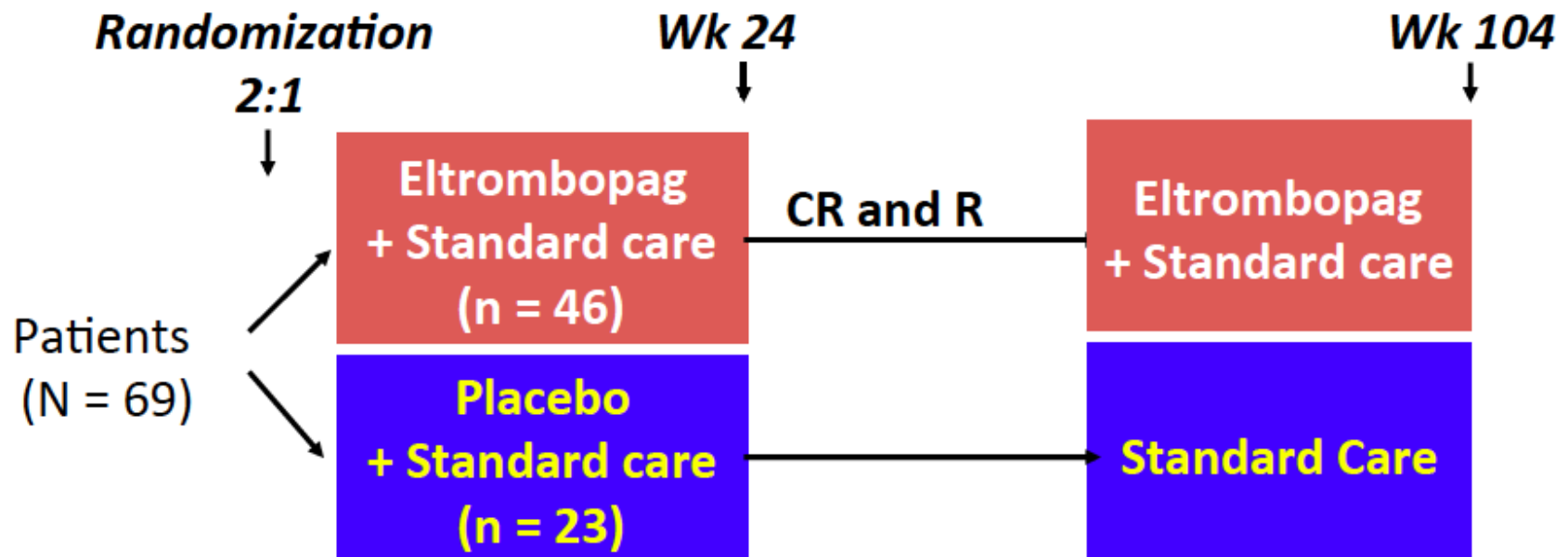




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Eltrombopag vs Placebo in Low- or Intermediate-1 IPSS risk MDS and low PLT count ($< 30.000/\text{mm}^3$) receiving supportive care



Dose start: 50 mg/d p.o. with increases every 2 weeks up to 300 mg daily

Results: PLT responses and Bleeding within first 8 weeks

Response	Eltrombopag N= 9	Placebo N=4
R, n	1	1
CR, n	5	0
NR	3 [§]	3
Total, n (%)	6 (67)	1 (25)
WHO bleeding grade \geq 2, events	0	8*

§ 1 NR reached study completion at 300 mg dosing

* One case with WHO bleeding grade 2 events (n=8)

Eltrombopag:

- Day +8, 4 patients in R and 1 patient in CR
- Day +14, 1 patient in R and 4 in CR

Median dose for response 50 mg daily

Complete Response (CR):

PLT count \geq 100,000/mm³ and absence of bleeding

Response (R):

Baseline $>$ 20,000/mm³: absence of bleeding + absolute increase in PLT \geq 30,000/mm³

Baseline $<$ 20,000/mm³: PLT $>$ 20,000/mm³ and increase by at least 100%, not due to PLT transfusion.

Durable PLT response = continuous PLT response of at least 4 weeks

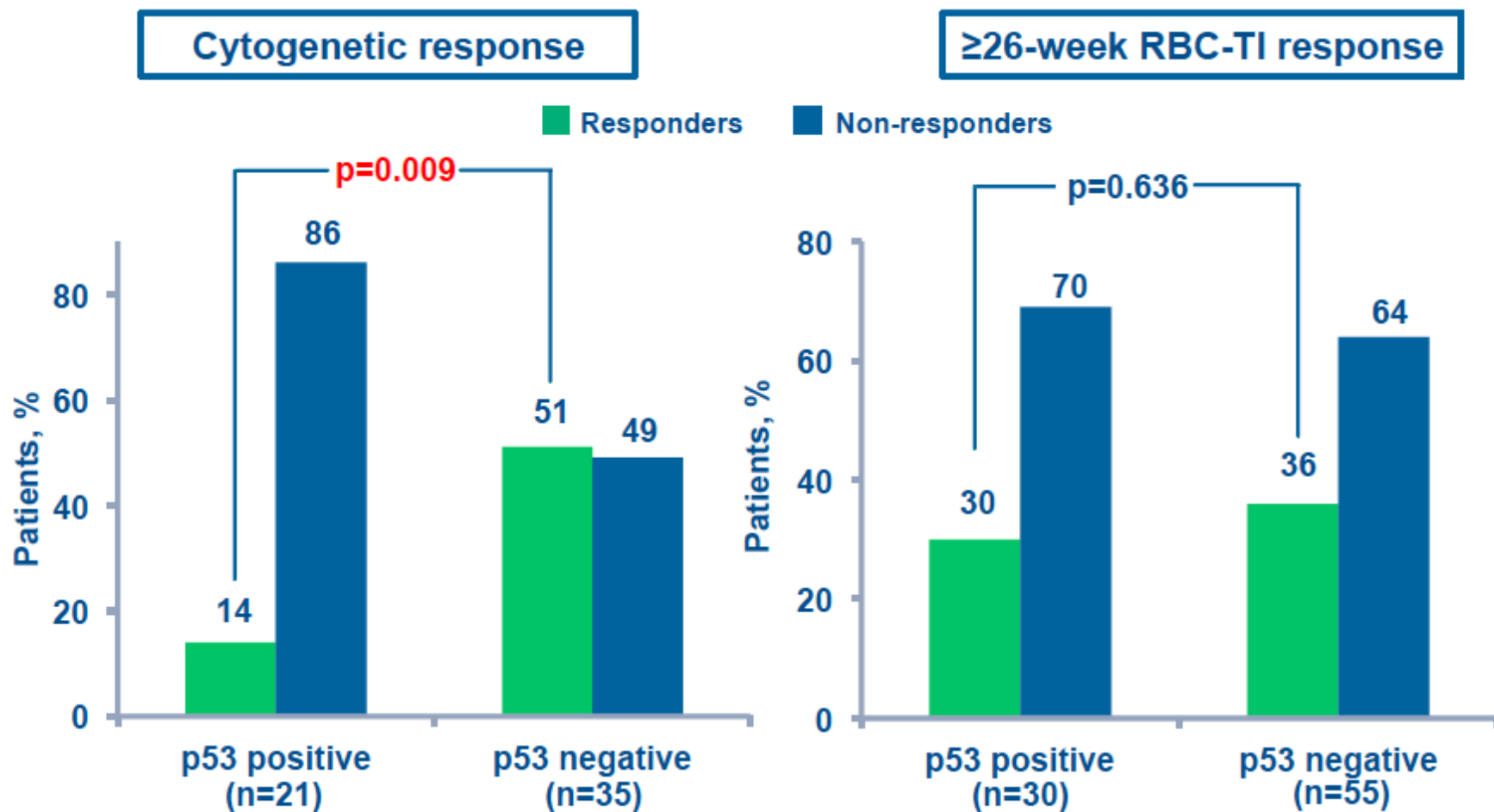
Oliva et al, Oral 1138



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Prognostic value of p53 expression in patients with low-/int-1-risk del5q



Strong p53 protein expression* was associated with poor cytogenetic response but had no effect on achievement of RBC-TI

*Correlated with presence of *TP53* mutations

Azacitidine as bridging therapy before allo-HSCT in patients with higher-risk MDS

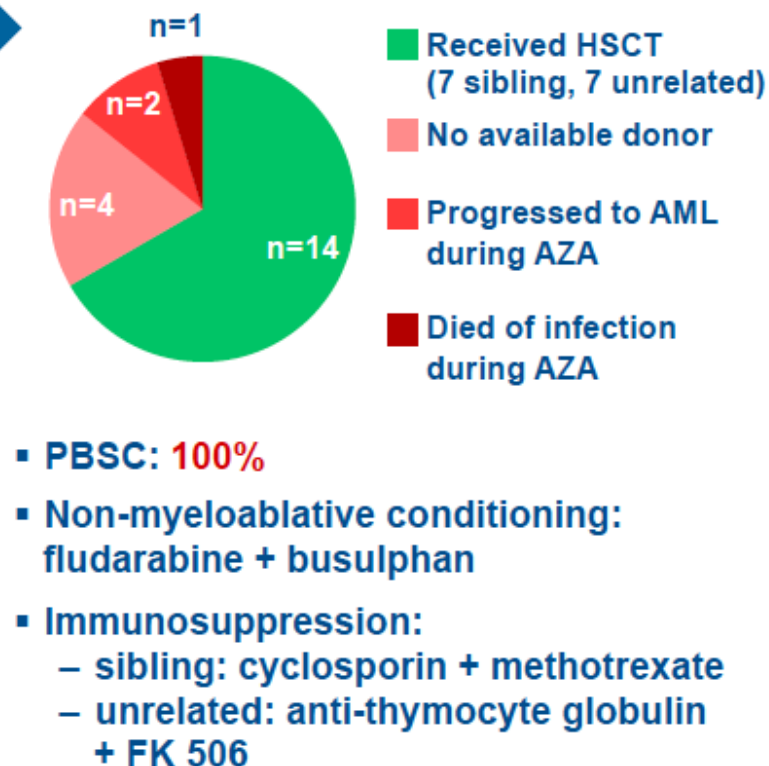
Phase II study evaluating the efficacy and safety of azacitidine (75mg/m²/d, d1–7, q28d) as bridging therapy in patients with higher-risk MDS eligible for allo-HSCT

Patient characteristics (n=21)	
Median age, years (range)	50 (18–63)
Male/female, %	67/33
WHO diagnosis, % RCMD/RAEB-1/RAEB-2	14/14/72
IPSS risk, % int-2/high	52/48
IPSS-R risk, % int/high/very high	33/24/43
Karyotype (by IPSS), % good/int/poor	19/38/43
WPSS risk, % high/very high	48/52



- Median cycles, n (range): **4 (1–9)**
- ORR*: **62%**
- CR: **10%**
- PR: **5%**
- HI: **48%**
- SD: **24%**

Details of HSCT

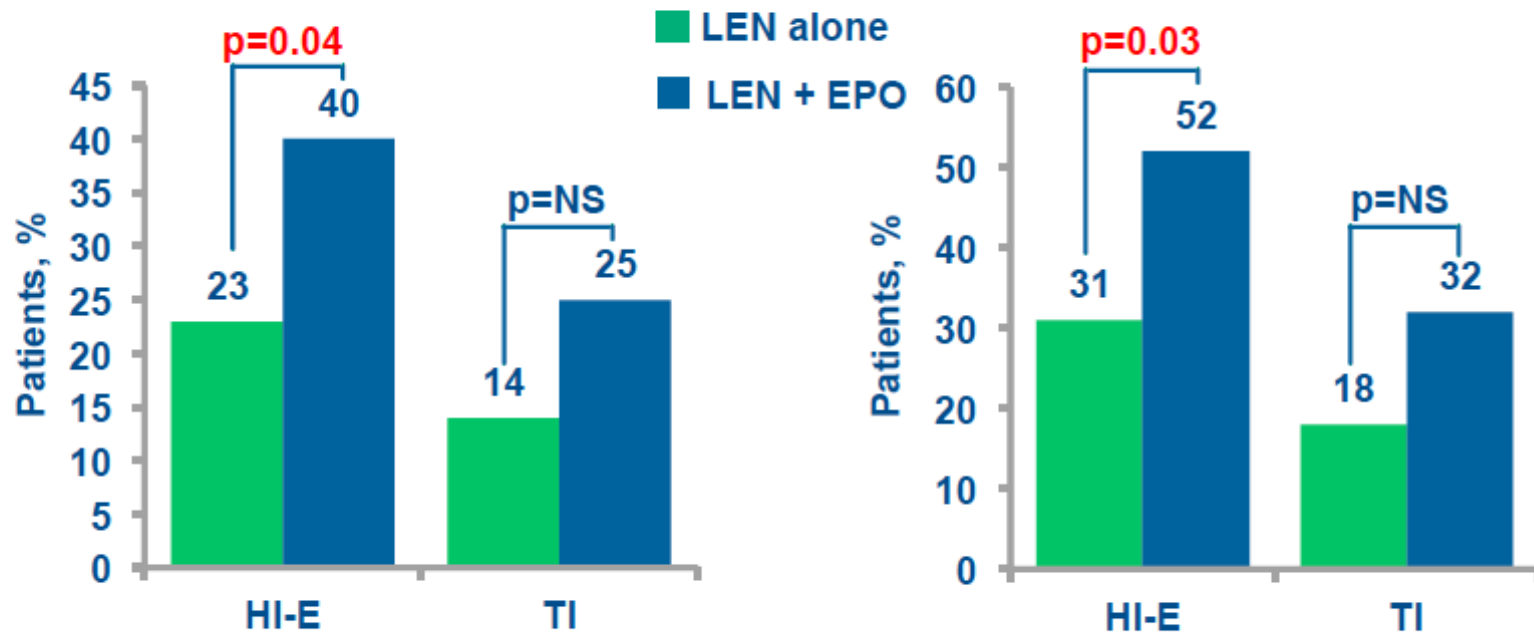


*CR+PR+HI

LEN +/- EPO as salvage therapy for lower-risk patients with MDS non-del(5q): response

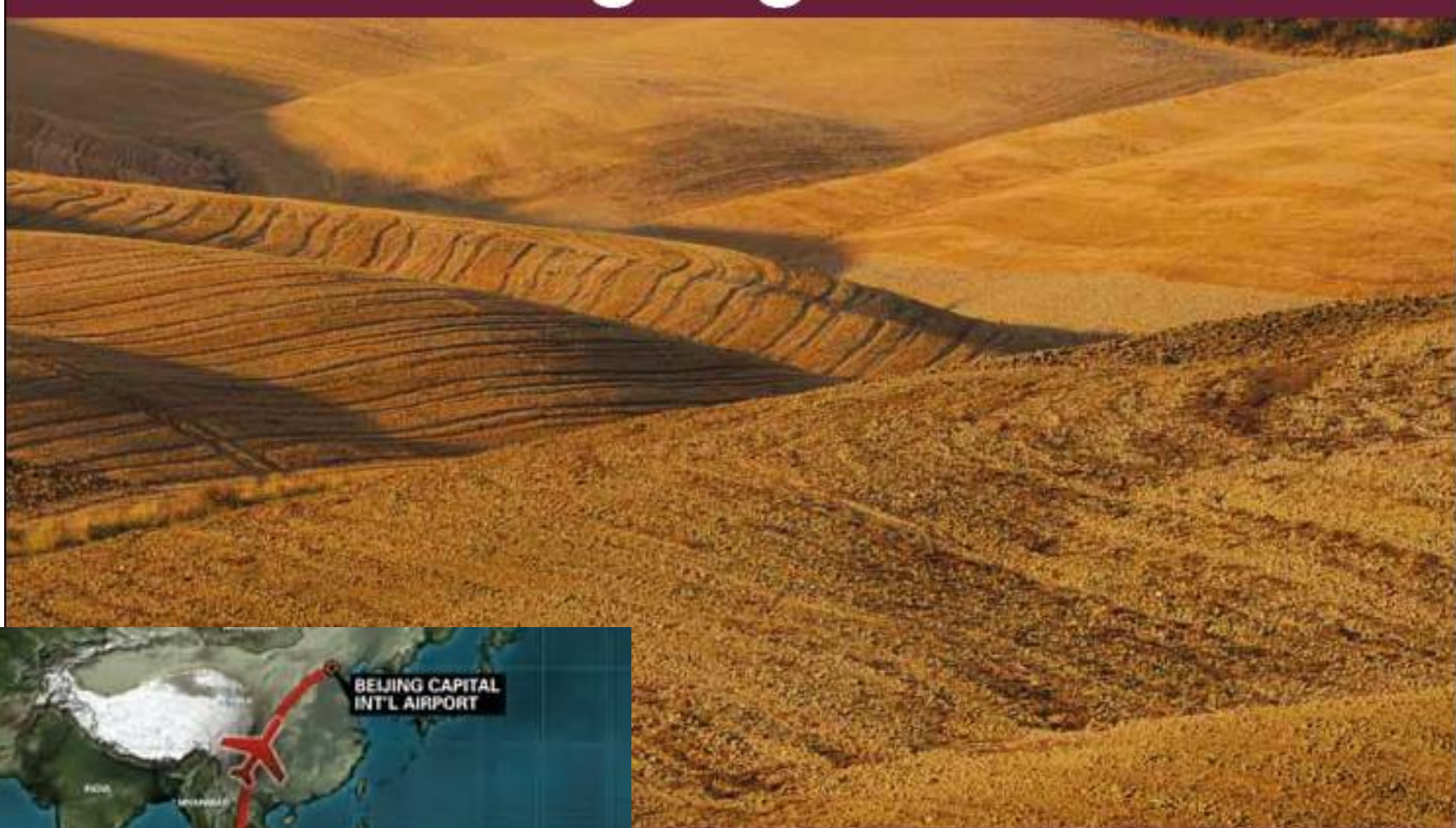
Erythroid response, ITT population (n=129)

Erythroid response after 4 cycles (n=99)



- A gene promoter polymorphism in the *CRBN* gene significantly correlated with HI-E in both treatment arms ($p=0.034$)

LEN + EPO salvage therapy yielded a significantly better erythroid response than LEN alone in lower-risk MDS patients with anaemia following first-line ESA



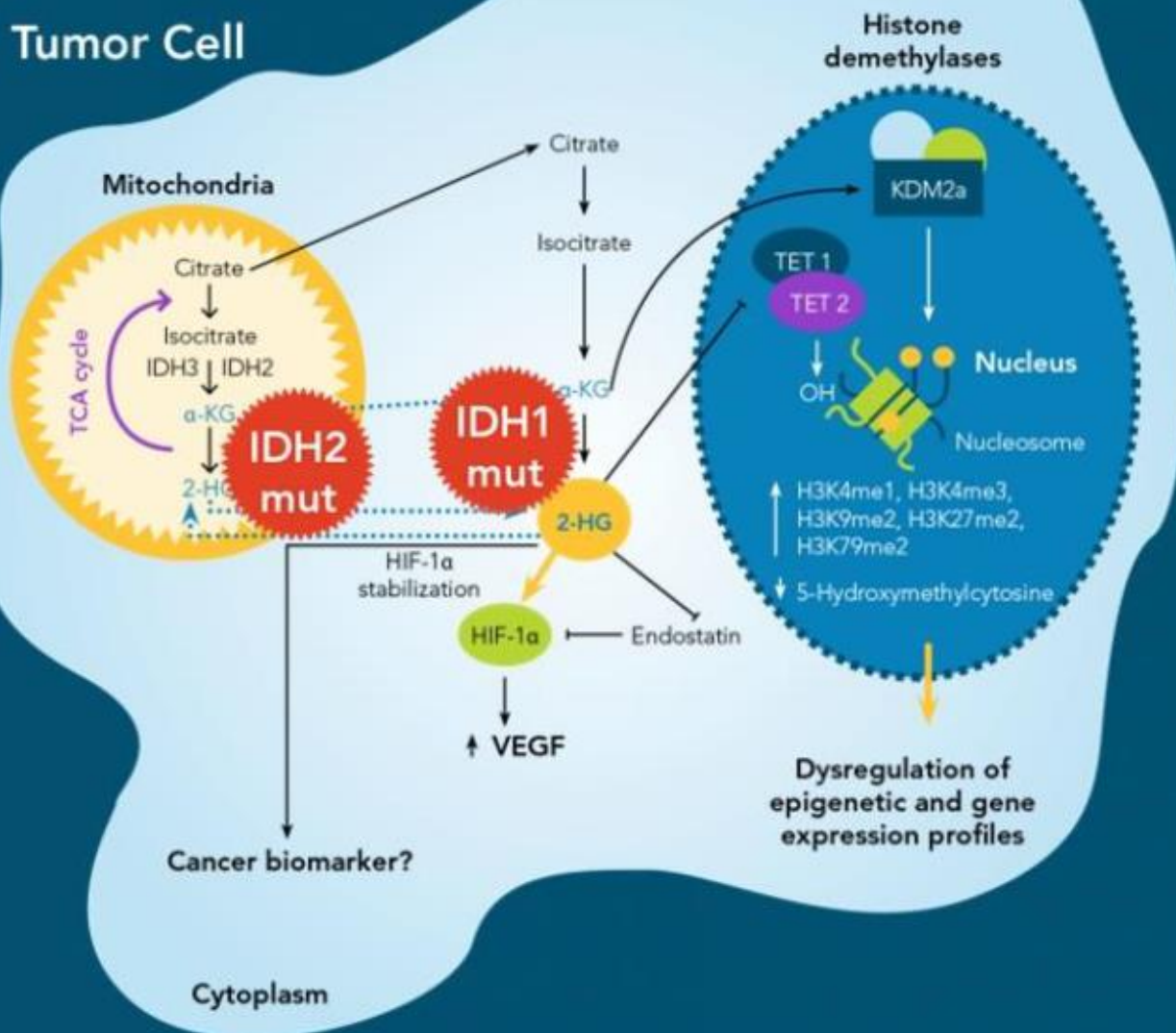
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IDH Mutations Represent Important Cancer Metabolism Targets

Tumor Cell



- **IDHwt: catalyzes oxidative decarboxylation of isocitrate to produce CO₂ and α -KG**
- **3 isoforms exist: IDH1, IDH2, IDH3**
 - IDH1: cytoplasm
 - IDH2: mitochondria
- **IDH mutations have neomorphic activity:**
 - Produce high levels of "oncometabolite" 2-HG (gain of function)
 - 2HG leads to differentiation block via epigenetic alterations

Best Response: IWG Criteria per Investigator

Overall Response Rate: 14 of 25 Evaluable Subjects

	30 mg BID N=7	50 mg BID N=7	75 mg BID N=6	100 mg QD N=5	100 mg BID N=5	150 mg QD N=5	Total N=35
CR	2	3	-	1	-	-	6
CRp	1	-	-	-	1	-	2
CRi	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
PR	1	1	1	-	1	1 ^a	5
SD	-	1	2	1	-	1	5
PD	-	1	1	3	1	-	6 ^b
ORR	4/4	5/7	1/4	1/5	2/3	1/2	14/25
NE	3 ^c	-	2 ^c	-	2 ^c	3 ^d	10

^a PR at C1D15

^b 3 Subjects with Clinical PD/Clinical Deterioration (No Day 28 Marrow Assessment).

^c Subjects did not have a Day 28 Marrow Assessment (Off Study).

^d Subjects on study (<28 days at data cut).

CR = Complete Response

CRp = Complete Response, Incomplete Platelet Recovery

CRi = Complete Response, Incomplete Hematologic Recovery

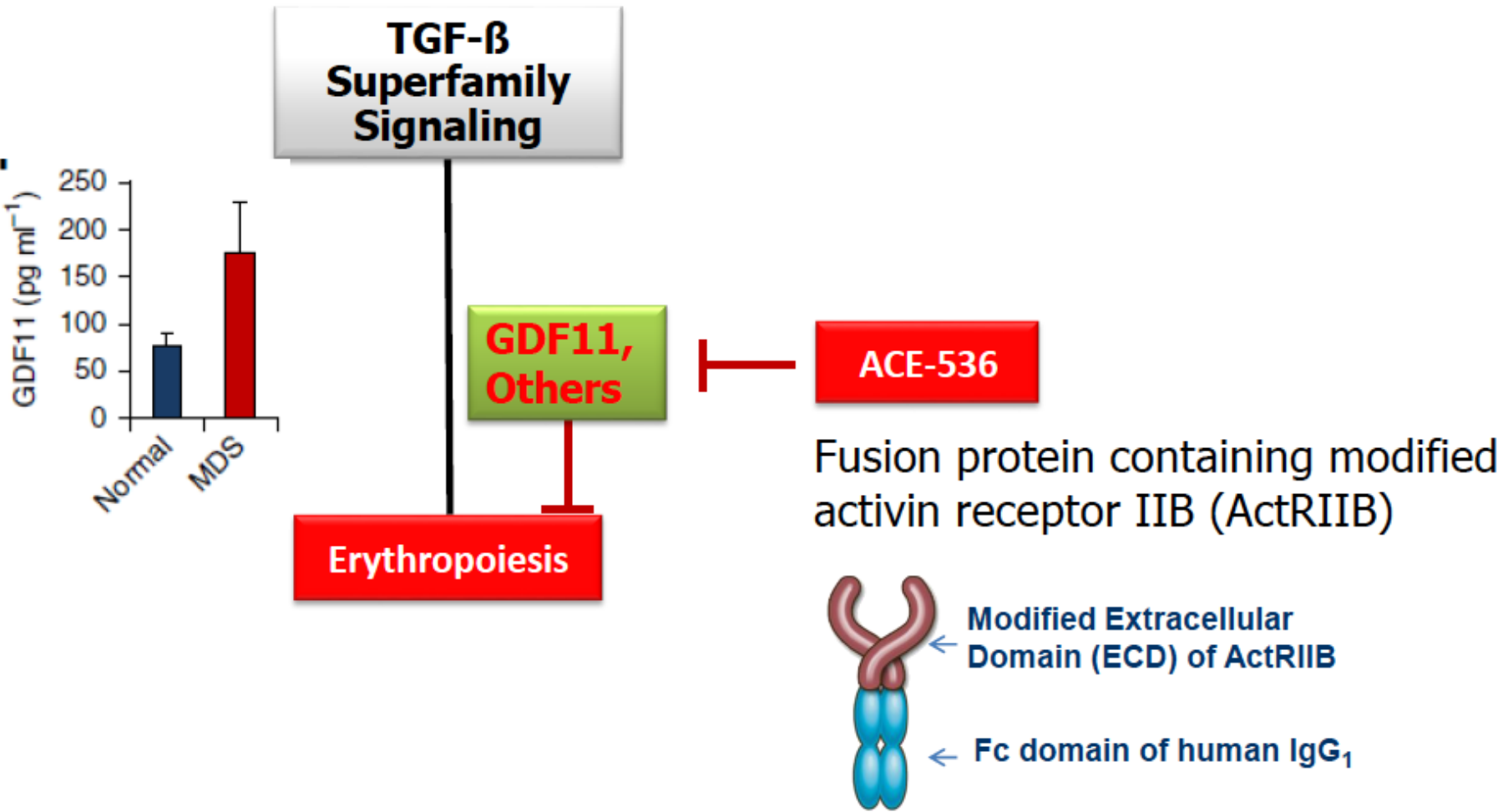
PR = Partial Response (>50% Decrease in Bone Marrow Blasts)

SD = Stable Disease

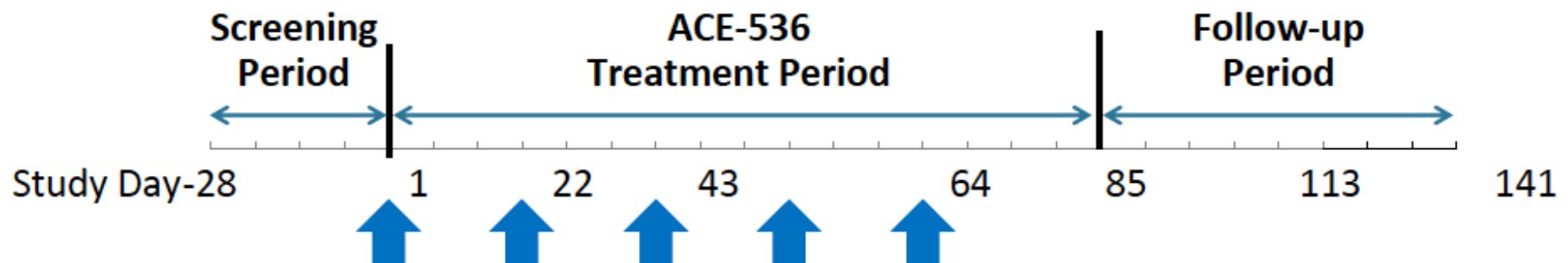
PD = Progressive Disease

NE = Not Evaluable

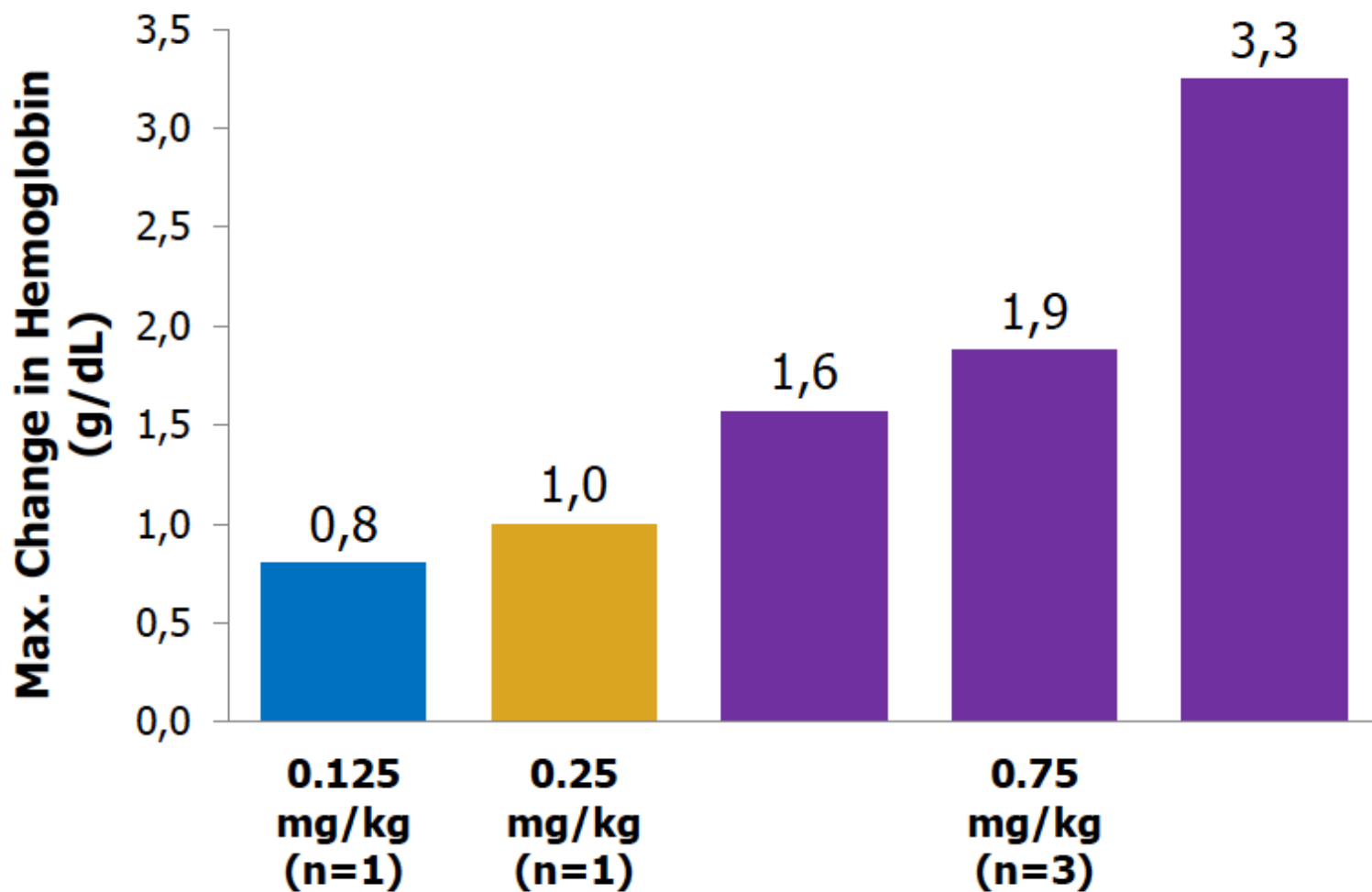
ORR = CR + CRp + CRi + PR



- Phase 2, multicenter, open-label, dose-finding
- IPSS Low/Int-1
 - Transfusion-dependent (TD), or
 - Non-transfusion dependent (NTD, Hgb <10 g/dL)
- EPO >500 U/L or nonresponsive/refractory to ESAs
- No prior azacitidine or decitabine
- Schedule: ACE-536 SC every 3 weeks for 3 months (up to 5 doses)
- Preliminary data as of 28 April 2014



Maximum Hemoglobin Increase in NTD Patients



NTD, non-transfusion dependent



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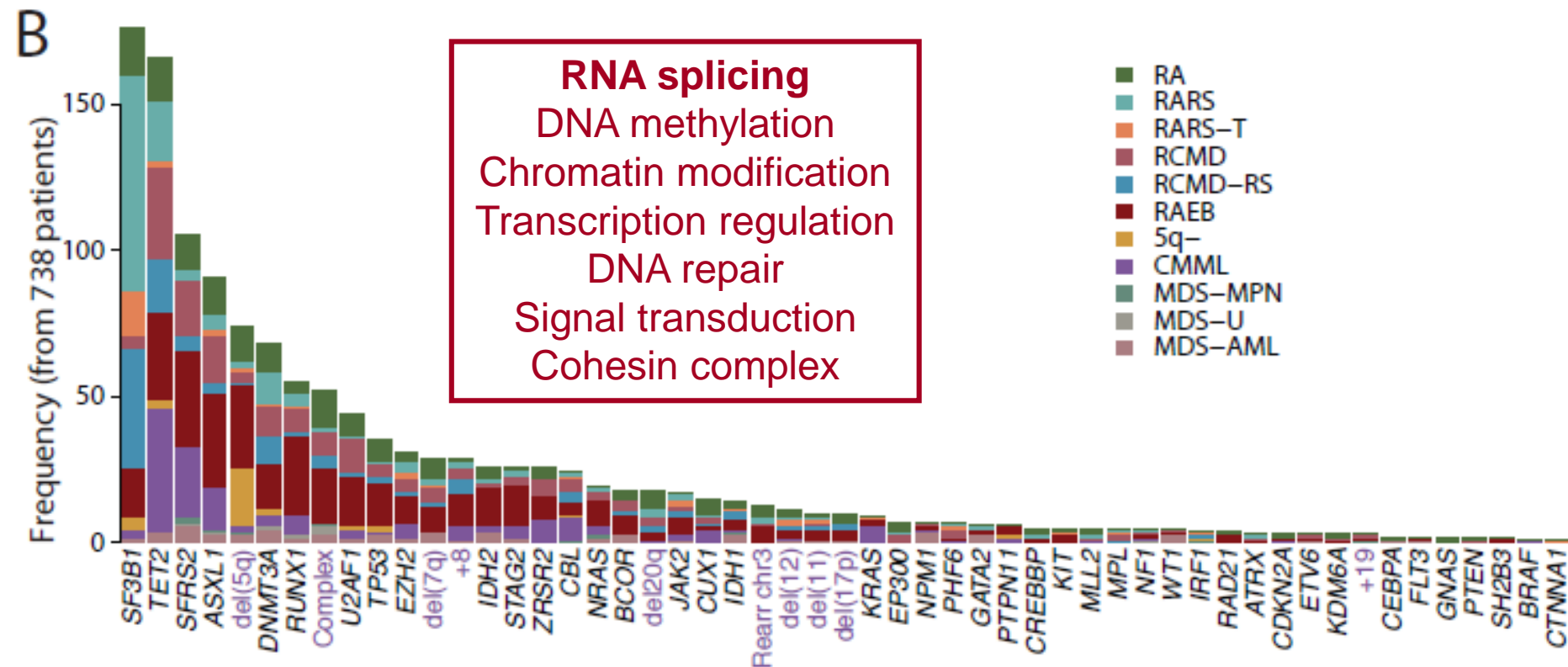
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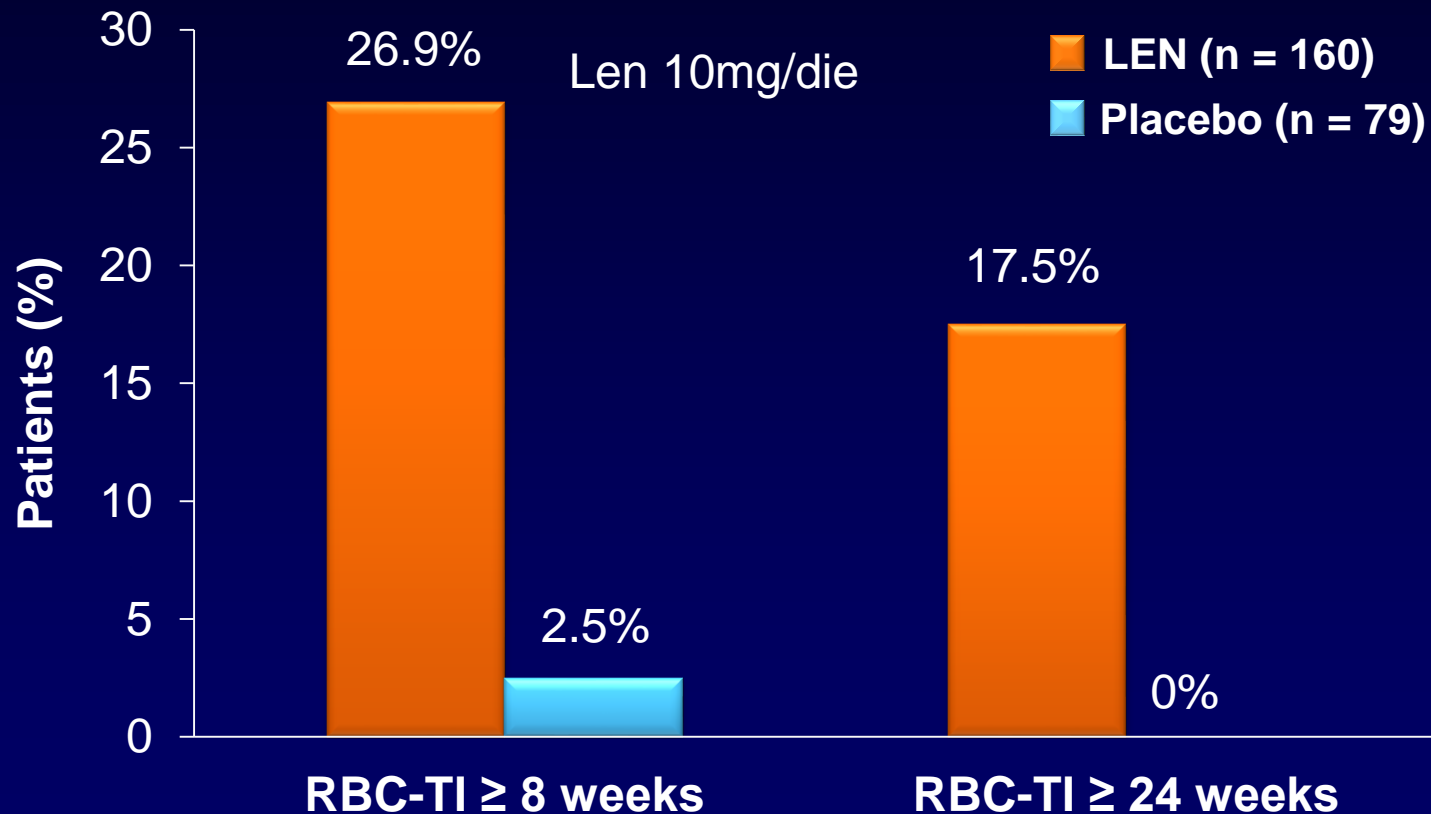


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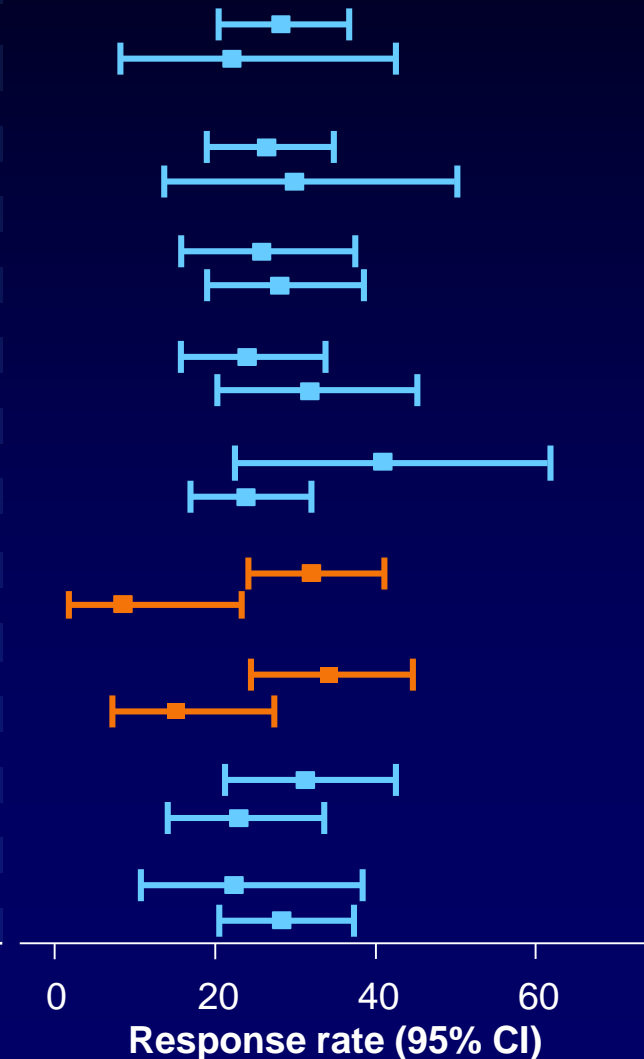
Lenalidomide in nondel5q MDS (MDS-005): RBC-TI \geq 24 Weeks



MDS-005: Subgroup Analysis of RBC-TI \geq 8 Weeks in LEN-Treated Patients

Baseline characteristic **RBC-TI \geq 8 weeks, n/N (%)**

IPSS karyotype (central review)	
Good	37/132 (28.0)
Intermediate	6/27 (22.2)
BM blasts	
< 5%	35/133 (26.3)
\geq 5%	8/27 (29.6)
IPSS category (central review)	
Low	18/70 (25.7)
Int-1	25/89 (28.1)
Number of cytopenias	
0-1	24/100 (24.0)
2-3	19/60 (31.7)
Prior G-CSF use	
Yes	11/27 (40.7)
No	32/133 (24.1)
▶ Prior ESA use*	
Yes	40/125 (32.0)
No	3/35 (8.6)
▶ Serum EPO level*	
\leq 500 mU/mL	33/97 (34.0)
> 500 mU/mL	9/58 (15.5)
ECOG performance status score	
0	24/77 (31.2)
1-2	19/83 (22.9)
Creatinine clearance	
< 60 mL/min	9/40 (22.5)
\geq 60 mL/min	34/120 (28.3)



*Indicates a statistically significant difference in rates within this subgroup ($P < 0.05$). ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; G-CSF, granulocyte colony-stimulating factor.

Overall survival and baseline disease characteristics in MDS pts with primary HMA failure in a randomized, controlled, phase III study of rigosertib

- ONTIME trial: **rigosertib (inibizione di PI3K e PLK) vs BSC (2:1)** in 299 pts alto rischio non rispondenti o in failure post HMA
- 69% maschi, età mediana 73 anni
- **Riscontrato un vantaggio di OS per i pts trattati con rigosertib**

Median (months) OS by Baseline Disease Characteristics in Pts with Primary HMA Failure						
Characteristic	RIG		BSC		Log-rank p-value	Hazard ratio (RIG/BSC) (95% CI)
	N	OS	N	OS		
All patients with Primary HMA Failure	117	8.6	52	4.5	0.011	0.63 (0.44-0.90)
IPSS-R category of high or very high	97	8.6	38	4.1	0.0015	0.52 (0.35-0.79)
Bone marrow blast = 5%-19%	93	10.1	36	4.7	0.0079	0.58 (0.39-0.87)
Duration of prior HMA treatment < 9 months	79	8.6	37	4.5	0.0014	0.49 (0.31-0.76)

- Aes più frequenti con rigosertib: anemia, neutropenia febbrile, polmonite

Clinical and molecular predictors of response to erythropoiesis stimulating agents (ESA) in lower risk MDS

- **Fattori prognostici per la risposta eritroide all'ESA in 90 pts basso rischio (FISM, GFM, GMDS)**
- Età mediana 74 anni, 26% trasfusione dipendenti
- WHO: 21% RA 24% RAEB-1 24.6% RARS 24% RCMD
2% del (5q) 3.6% MDS-U
- **86% dei pazienti con almeno 1 mutazione**
- SF3B1, DNMT3A, TET2 possono essere concomitanti; ASXL1 e DNMT3A sono mutualmente esclusive come anche SRSF2 E SF3B1. **Il no. di mutazioni non correla con il grado di displasia**
- **Più di 2 mutazioni sono predittive di cattive risposte eritroidi**
- In multivariata, mutazioni, età, cariotipo e displasia non hanno impatto su HI-E



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WHO 2016 classification

Myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS)

MDS with single lineage dysplasia

MDS with ring sideroblasts (MDS-RS)

MDS-RS and single lineage dysplasia

MDS-RS and multilineage dysplasia

MDS with multilineage dysplasia

MDS with excess blasts

MDS with isolated del(5q)

MDS, unclassifiable

Provisional entity: Refractory cytopenia of childhood

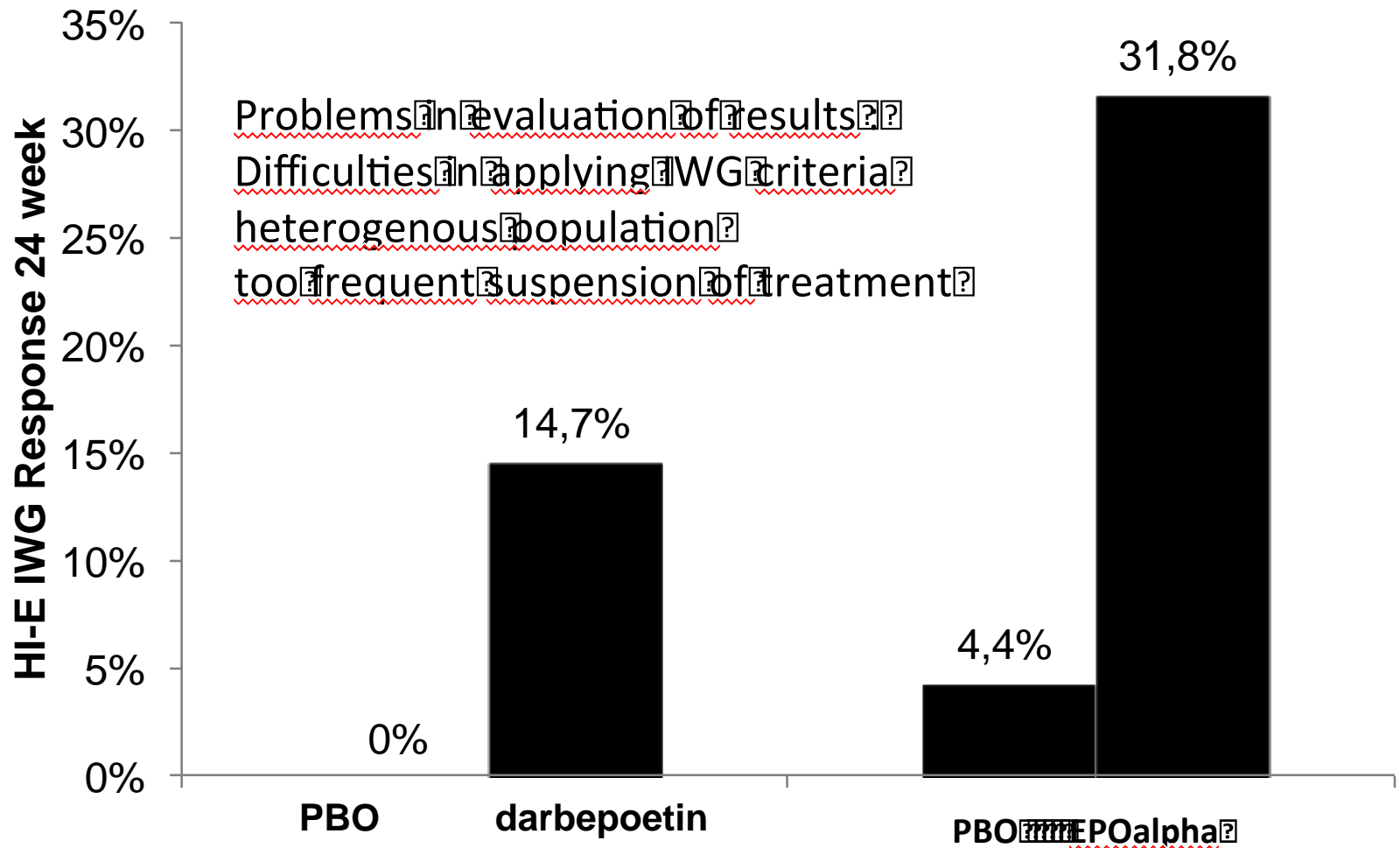
WHO proposal – MDS 2016

Old WHO	Marrow	WHO 2016
MDS with single del(5q)	< 5% blasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ del(5q) ±1 apart Chr7
RARS	< 5% blasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MDS-RS with single lineage dysplasia (MDS-RS-SLD) ▪ MDS-RS with multilineage dysplasia (MDS-RS-MLD)
RA, RT, RN	< 5% blasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MDS with single lineage dysplasia (MDS-SLD)
RCMD (± RS)	< 5% blasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MDS with multilineage dysplasia (MDS-MLD)
RAEB-1	5–9% blasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MDS with excess blasts (MDS-EB1)
RAEB-2	10–19% blasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MDS with excess blasts (MDS-EB2)

ESAs in MDS

IWG responses in registration studies

IPSS Lower risk



Epoetin-a vs placebo in Low and Int-1 MDS, a Multicenter, randomized, double blind, placebo controlled phase 3 study

Key eligibility criteria

- ✓ De novo IPSS Low or Int-1 MDS
- ✓ Hb ≤ 10.0 g/dl
- ✓ Transfusions ≤ 4 RBC units within 8 weeks before randomization
- ✓ Baseline serum EPO level < 500 mU/mL
- ✓ Adequate iron and B9 & B12 vitamin stores

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Epoetin-a (n= 85)

- First administration and up to week 8: 450 IU/kg SQ once weekly (max. 40K IU)
- If no response at wk 8 and Hb level < 11 g/dL: 1050 IU/kg SQ once weekly (max. 80K IU)
- If no response at wk 8 and Hb level 11-12 g/dL: 787.5 IU/kg SQ once weekly (max. 80K IU)

**Placebo (n= 45)
Matching placebo**

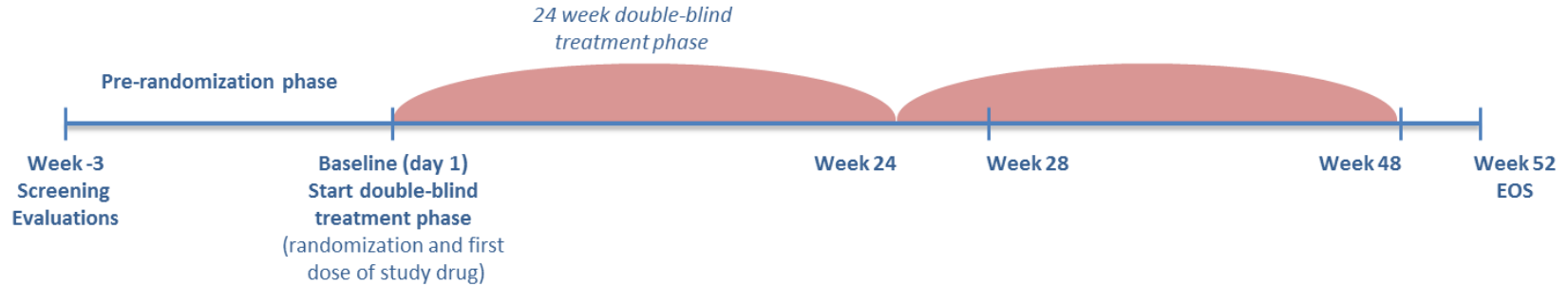
Primary endpoint
Erythroid Response (IWG 2006 criteria) at any point during 24 weeks

Secondary endpoints

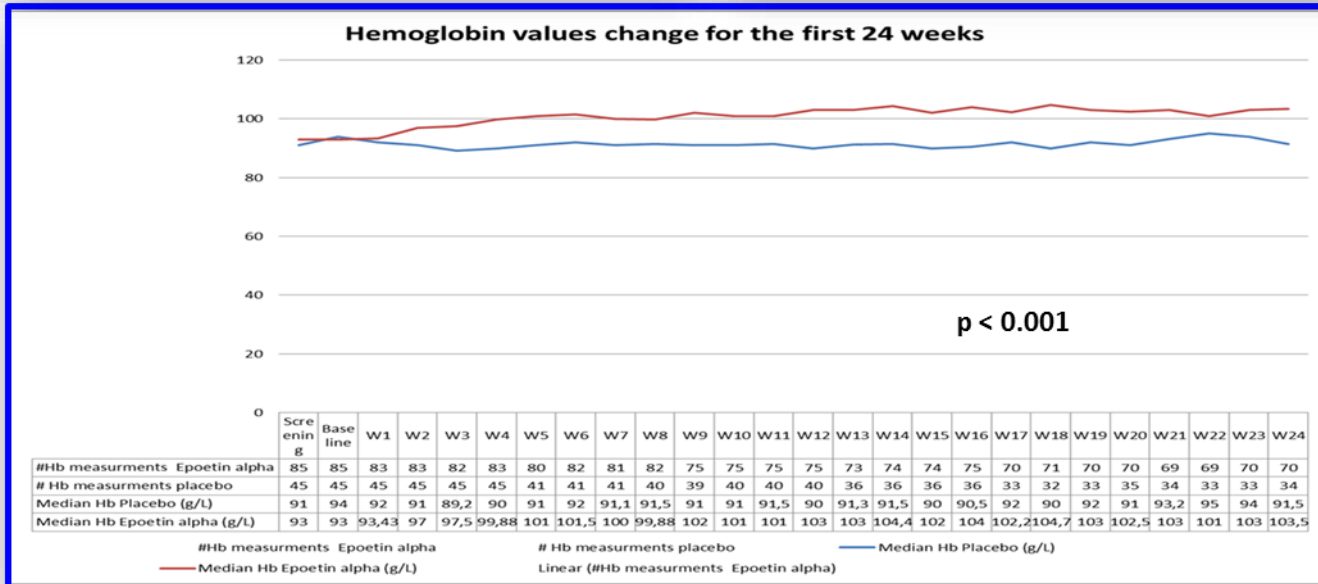
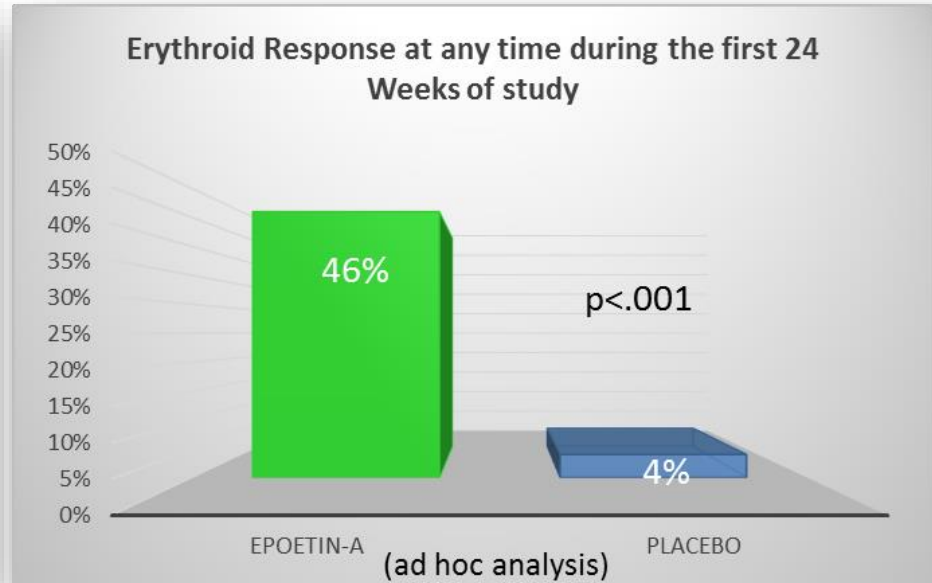
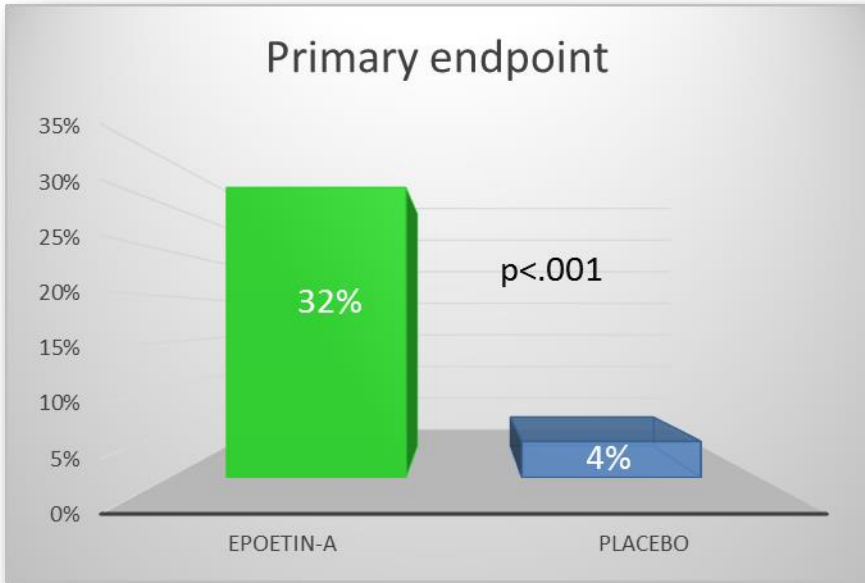
- Erythroid response at wk 24
- Duration of the response
- Time to first RBC
- Transfusion free interval
- QoL

Stratification:

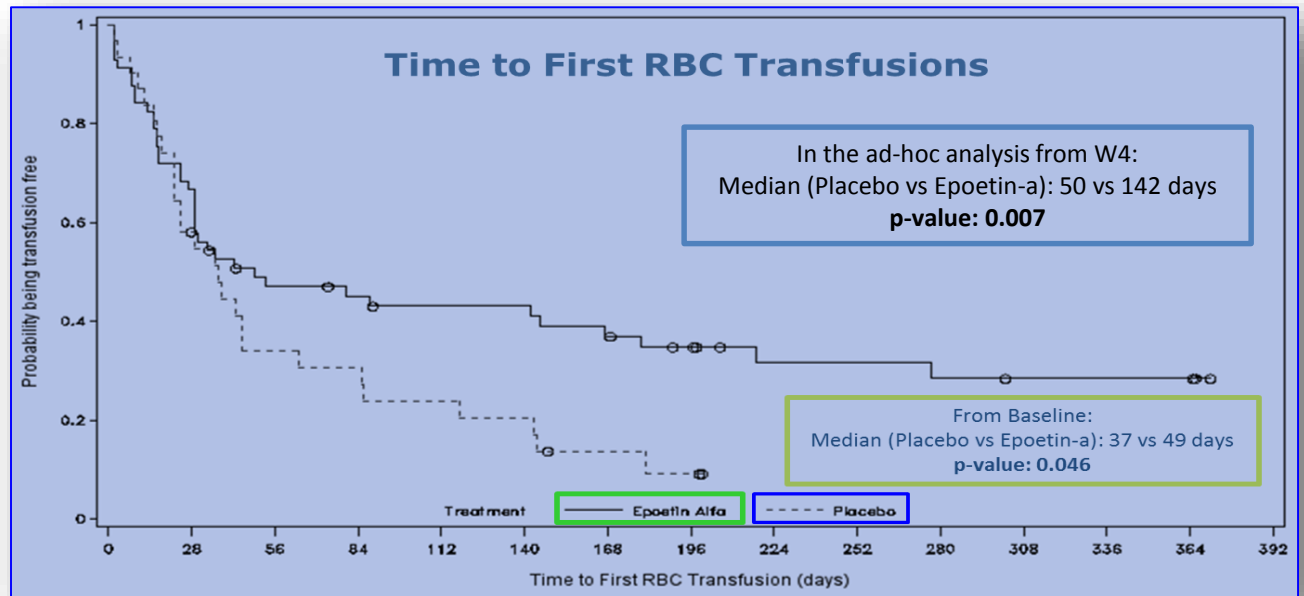
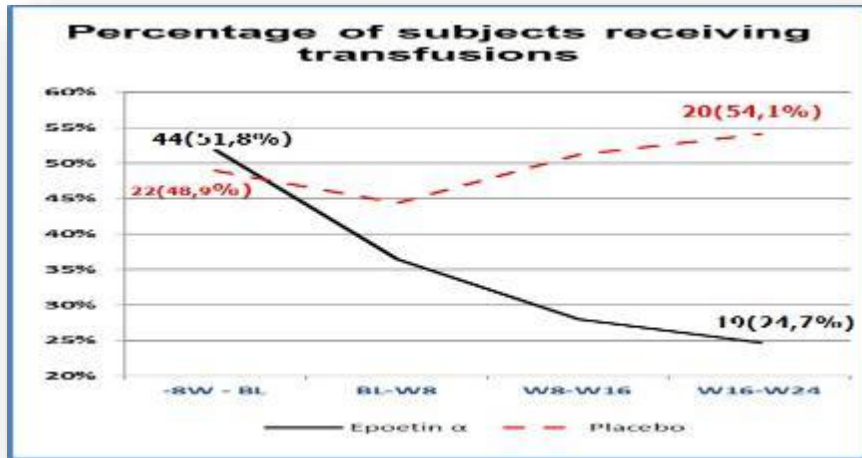
- Transfusion requirements (yes/no) in the 8 weeks prior to baseline
- Serum erythropoietin levels (≥ 200 mU/mL or < 200 mU/mL) during screening



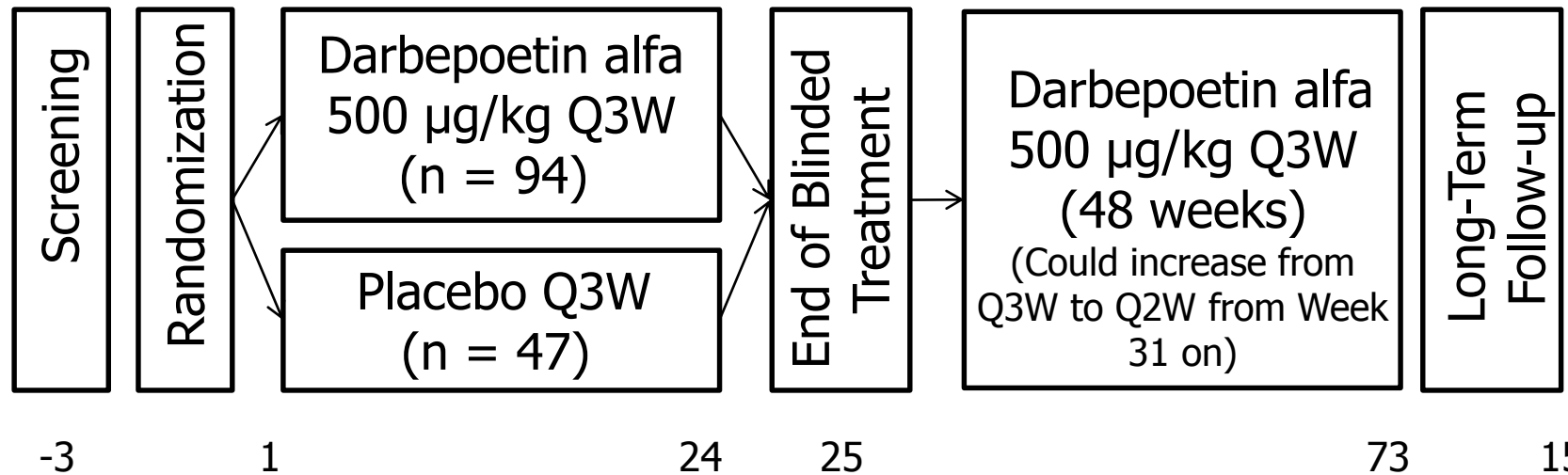
Efficacy results



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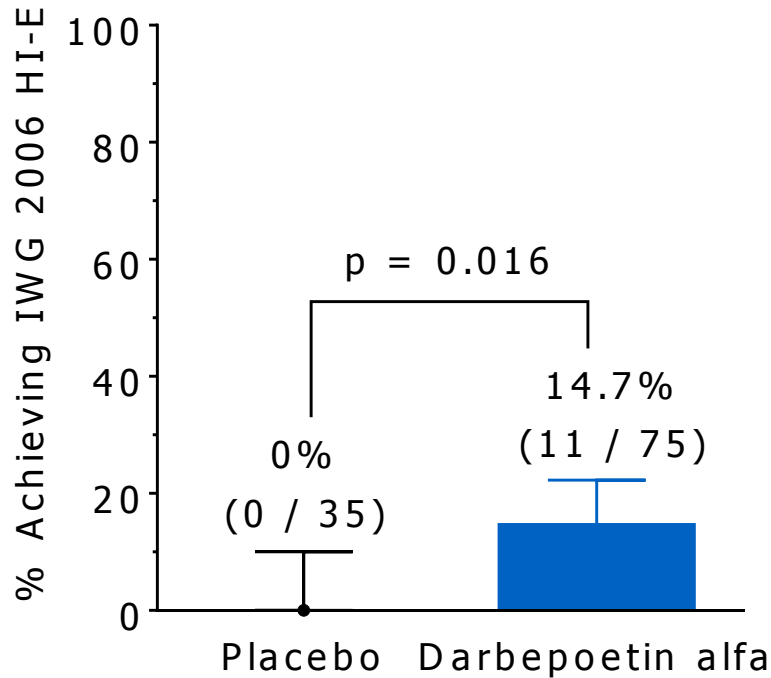


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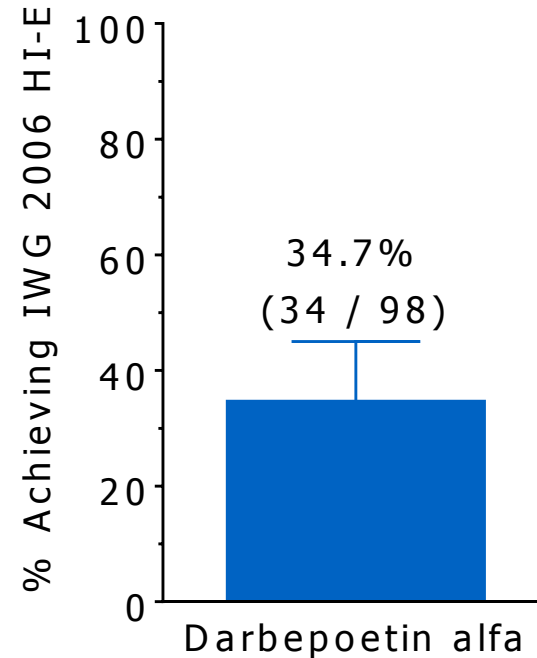


- Patients were stratified by screening IPSS status (low or int-1) for randomization.
- The dose was reduced if Hgb was >12.0 g/dL or if Hgb increased by >1.5 g/dL in 3 weeks without transfusion.
- Investigational product (IP) was discontinued and the patient entered follow-up if >3 dose reductions were needed.

Results: HI-E Rates



24-week Double-blind



48-week Open-label

- 24-week Double-blind Period:
 - All patients with HI-E (n = 11) had a baseline serum EPO level <100 mU/mL.
- 48-week Open-label Period: HI-E rate of 34.7%
 - 81% (102/126) of patients increased dose frequency (from Q3W to Q2W) over the 48 weeks (twice as long as the blinded period)

1) Quale è la reale possibilità di valutare la presenza di mutazioni somatiche in corso di accertamenti diagnostici/prognostici ??

Al momento emerge che la necessità maggiore viene percepita per il paziente giovane, in cui in casi selezionati si avviano già le analisi mutazionali.

Difficoltà per i centri piccoli nel gestire questo tipo di studi molecolari.

Interpretazione del dato di mutazione somatica nel contesto clinico. Problema della emopoiesi clonale e VAF.

Se lo studio delle mutazioni può portare ad una scelta terapeutica mirata (Iuspaterecept o altro) deve essere organizzata o sviluppata una rete di laboratori nazionali che possano sostenere e ottimizzare la valutazione molecolare.

2) Diagnosi di RARS fatta con morfologia e Perls.

Ancora non viene studiato SF3B1 mutato

3) ARCH è una predisposizione come MGUS???

Dobbiamo effettuare valutazioni periodiche di questi pazienti?
E come possiamo individuarli?

Ancora approccio molto iniziale.

Aspettiamo i dati ulteriori di studi in atto.