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Targeted Treatments for Mastocytosis

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Mast Cell Disorders

Mastocytosis

**Mast Cell
Hyperplasia**

**Primary
MCAS
(Clonal)**

**Secondary
MCAS**

**Hereditary
 α
Tryptasemia**

Bone Marrow Mast Cells	↑	↑	N/↑	N	N
Mediator Release	↑	↑	↑↑	↑↑	N
Kit Mutations	+ ↑ prolifer.	-	+ ↑ activation	- ↑ activation	- <i>TPSAB1</i> Duplication
CD2/CD25 Expression	+	-	+	-	-
Morphology Alterations	+	-	+/-	-	-
Serum Tryptase	↑↑	N	N ↑ Acute	N ↑ Acute	↑↑

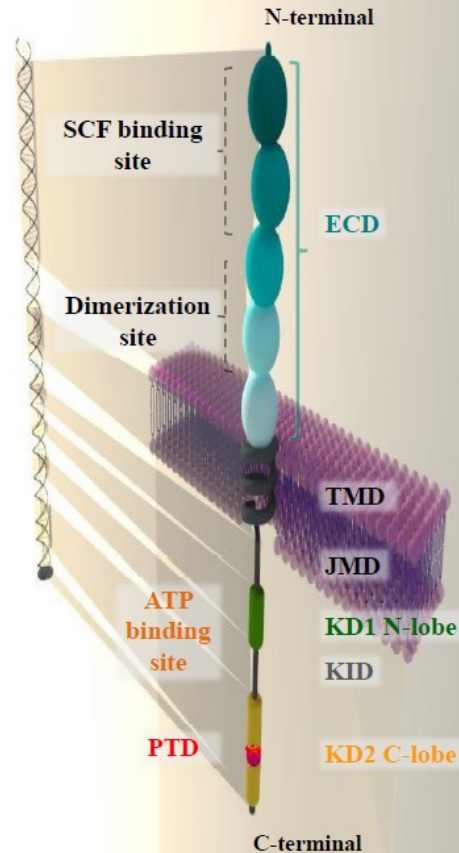
Mastocitosi

Malattia inquadrata nell'ambito delle patologie dei mastociti (***Mast Cell Disorders***) caratterizzata da proliferazione clonale ed iperreattività di queste cellule e da una marcata eterogeneità del fenotipo clinico e del decorso

Quasi sempre associate a mutazioni somatiche *gain-of-function* del recettore per SCF (KIT, CD117). La più frequente è la D816V (>90% dei pazienti adulti)

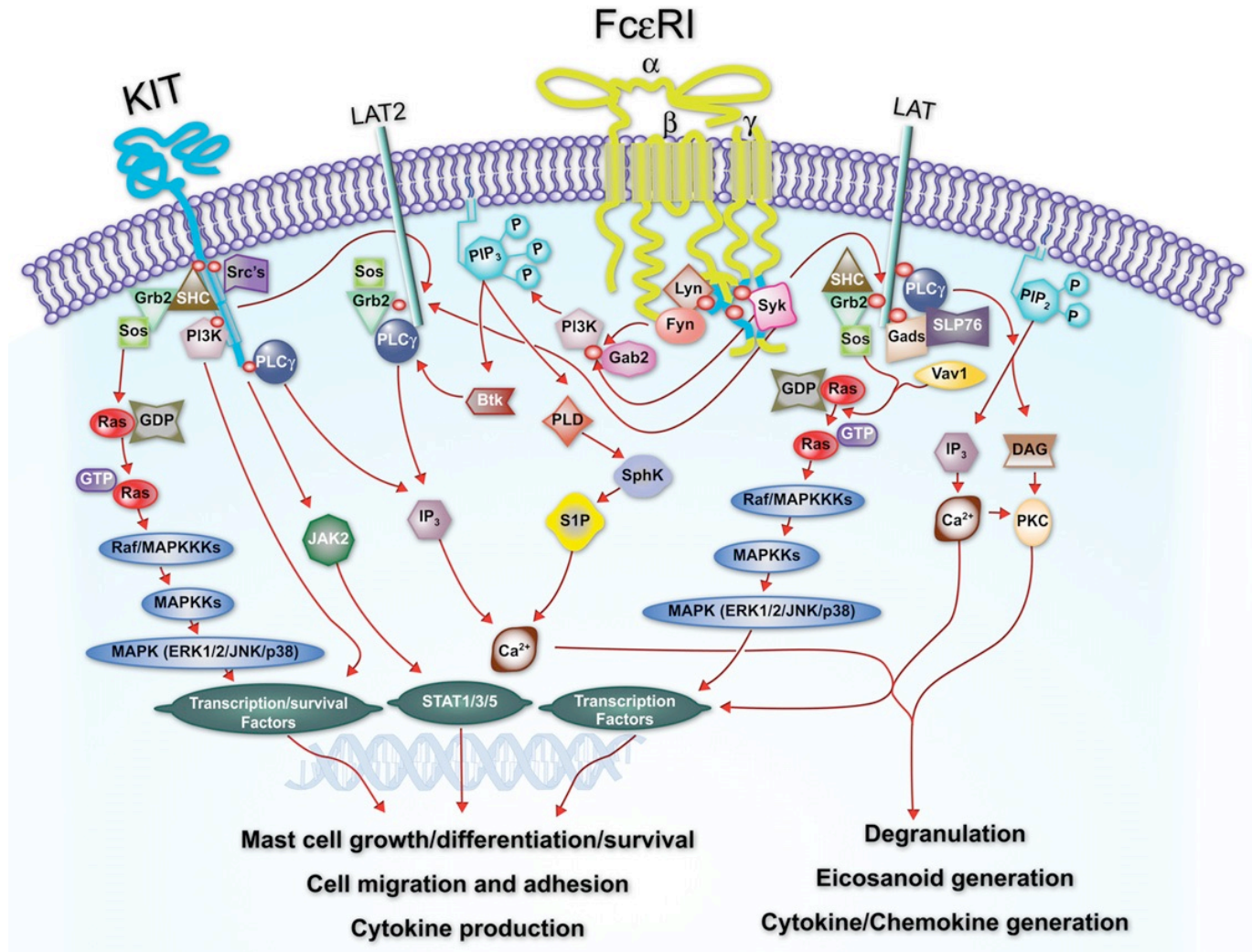
Le correlazioni tra il genotipo (relativamente costante) e l'estrema variabilità clinica non sono attualmente definite

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 S849I
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KIT Mutations in Mastocytosis

Arock M et al. JACI 2022: 149: 1855



Mastocytosis: Heterogeneity of Skin Lesions



*Hartmann K et al.
J Allergy Clin Immunol 2016*

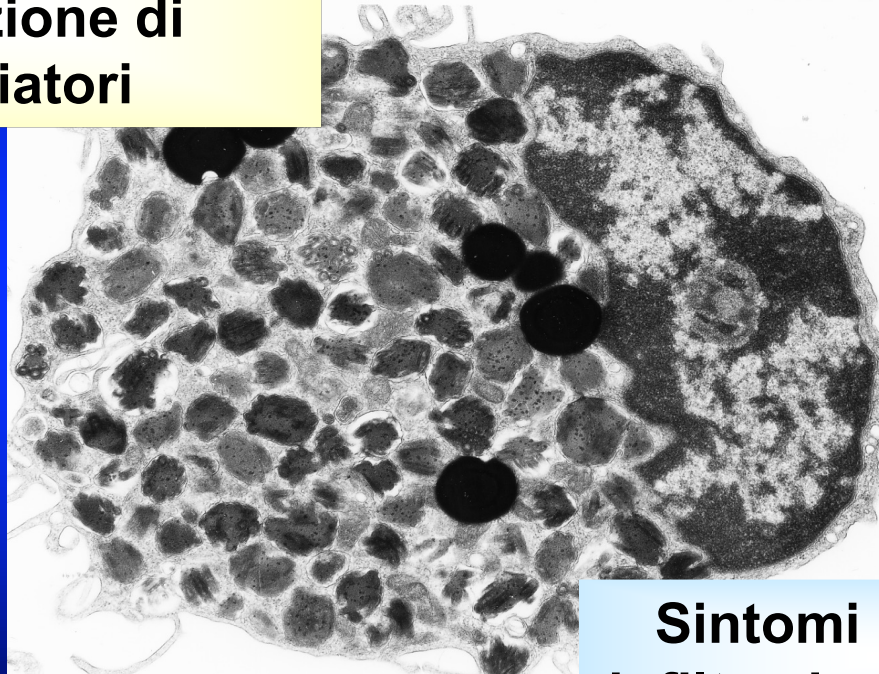
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CLASSIFICATION 2020 (proposed)

- Cutaneous Mastocytosis (CM)
- Indolent Systemic Mastocytosis (ISM)
 - Bone Marrow Mastocytosis
- Smoldering Systemic Mastocytosis (SSM)
- SM with an Associated Hematologic (Non Mast Cell) Neoplasm (SM-AHN)
- Aggressive Systemic Mastocytosis (ASM)
- Mast Cell Leukemia (MCL) **ADVANCED**
- Mast Cell Sarcoma (MCS)

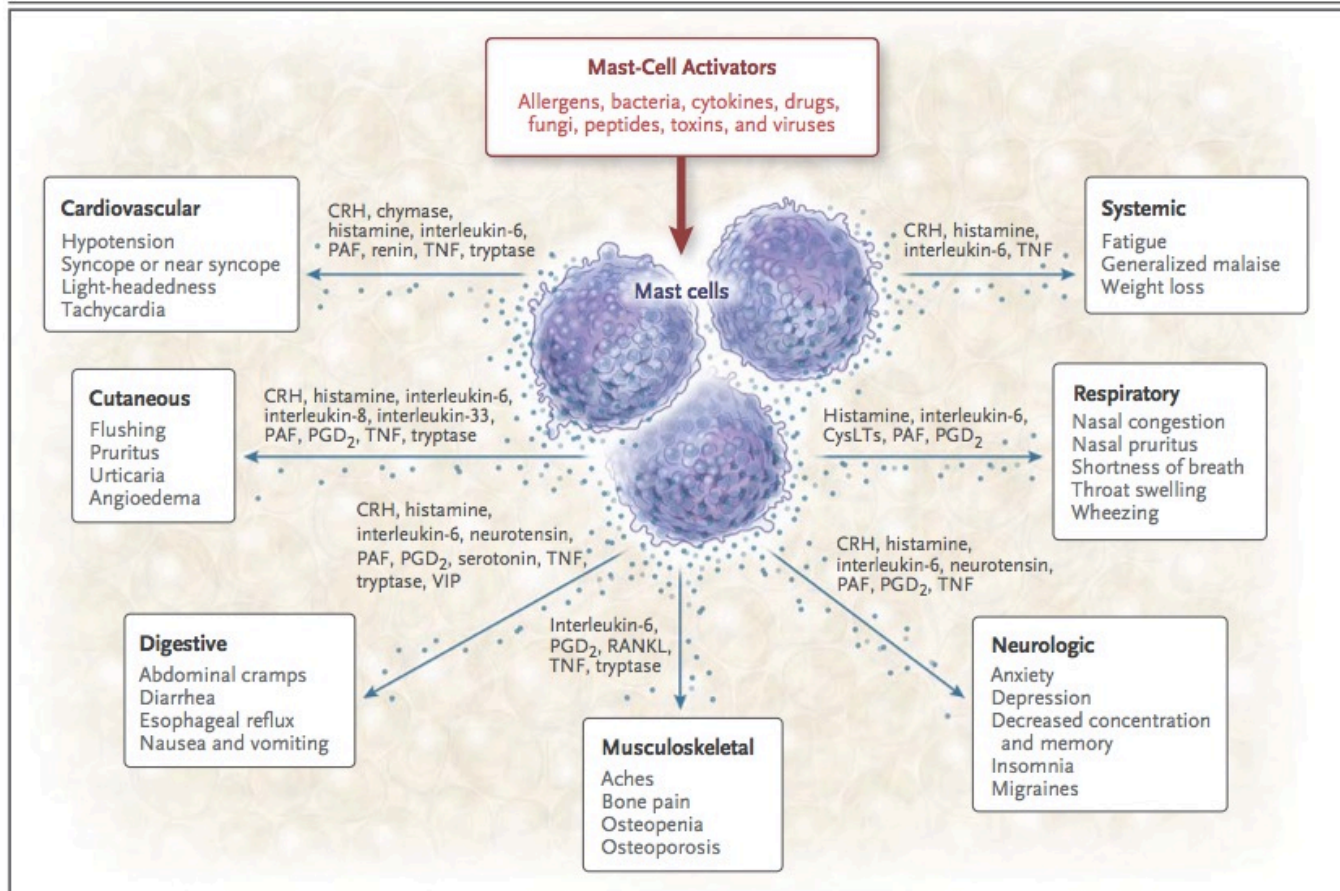
II Mastocita

**Sintomi legati alla
secrezione di
mediatori**



**Sintomi legati alla
infiltrazione d'organo**

Spectrum of mediator related symptoms



Diagnostic Criteria of Systemic Mastocytosis

Valent et al

Updated Classification of Mast Cell Disorders

Table 2.

Proposed Refined Major and Minor SM Criteria.

Major criterion:	Multifocal dense infiltrates of mast cells (≥ 15 mast cells in aggregates) in bone marrow biopsies and/or in sections of other extracutaneous organ(s)
Minor criteria:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">$\geq 25\%$ of all mast cells are atypical cells (type I or type II) on bone marrow smears or are spindle-shaped in mast cell infiltrates detected in sections of bone marrow or other extracutaneous organs^aKIT-activating <i>KIT</i> point mutation(s) at codon 816 or in other critical regions of <i>KIT</i>^b in bone marrow or another extracutaneous organMast cells in bone marrow, blood, or another extracutaneous organ express one or more of: CD2 and/or CD25 and/or CD30^cBaseline serum tryptase concentration > 20 ng/mL (in the case of an unrelated myeloid neoplasm, an elevated tryptase does not count as an SM criterion. In the case of a known HαT, the tryptase level should be adjusted^d)
If at least 1 major and 1 minor or 3 minor criteria are fulfilled \rightarrow the diagnosis is SM	

^aIn tissue sections, an abnormal mast cell morphology counts in both a compact infiltrate and a diffuse (or mixed diffuse + compact) mast cell infiltrate. However, the spindle-shaped form does not count as an SM criterion when mast cells are lining vascular cells, fat cells, nerve cells, or the endosteal-lining cell layer. In the bone marrow smear, an atypical morphology of mast cells does not count as SM criterion when mast cells are located in or adjacent to bone marrow particles. Morphologic criteria of atypical mast cells have been described previously.⁶

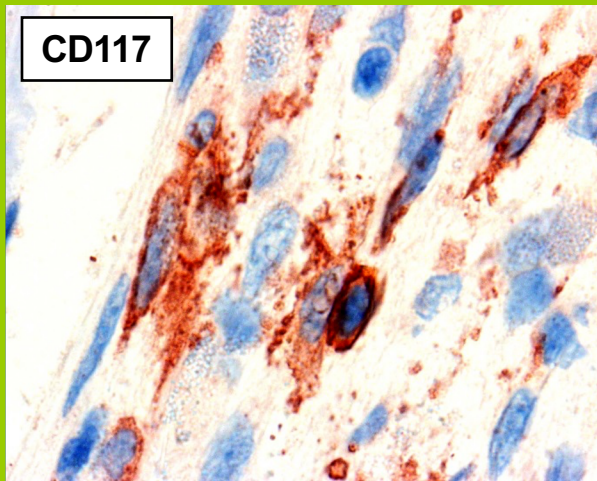
^bAny type of *KIT* mutation counts as minor SM criterion when published solid evidence for its transforming behavior is available. A list of such *KIT* mutations (including variants in *KIT* codons 417, 501–509, 522, 557–560, 642, 654, 799, 816, 820, 822) is provided in Supplemental Digital Content, Table S6, <http://links.lww.com/HS/A201> (KIT-activating mutations are labeled in bold).

^cAll 3 markers fulfill this minor SM criterion when expression in mast cells can be confirmed by either flow cytometry or by immunohistochemistry or by both techniques.

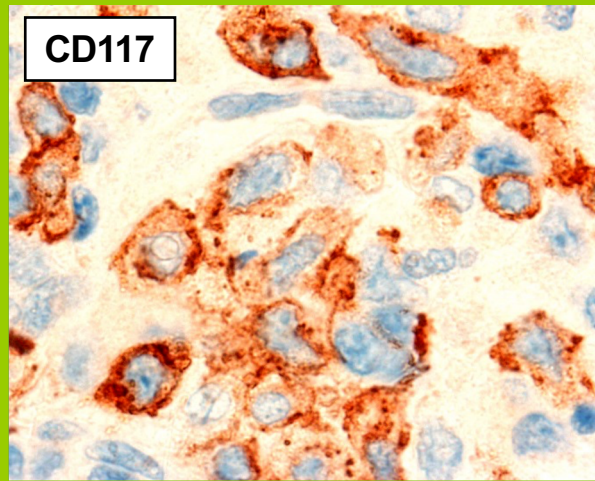
^dAlthough the optimal way of adjustment may still need to be defined, one way is to divide the basal tryptase level by 1 plus the extra copy numbers of the alpha tryptase gene. Example, when the tryptase level is 30 and 2 extra copies of the alpha tryptase gene are found in a patient with H α T, the H α T-corrected tryptase level is 10 ($30/3 = 10$) and thus is not a minor SM criterion.

H α T = hereditary alpha-tryptasemia; SM = systemic mastocytosis.

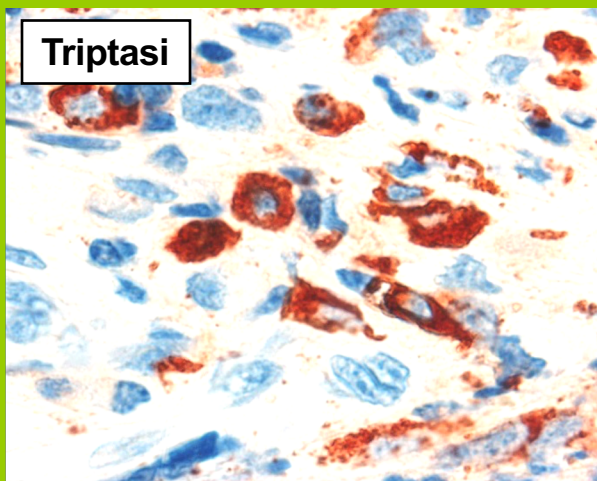
CD117



CD117



Triptasi



CD25



B- and C-Findings (update 2021)

Table 4.

Proposed Refined B-findings and C-findings.

B-findings	C-findings (SM-induced Organ Damage)
<p><u>High MC burden:</u></p> <p>Infiltration grade (MC) in BM $\geq 30\%$ in histology (IHC) and/or serum tryptase ≥ 200 ng/mL^a and/or <i>KIT</i> D816V VAF $\geq 10\%$ in BM or PB leukocytes</p> <p><u>Signs of myeloproliferation and/or myelodysplasia^b:</u></p> <p>Hypercellular BM with loss of fat cells and prominent myelopoiesis \pm left shift and eosinophilia \pm leukocytosis and eosinophilia and/or discrete signs of myelodysplasia ($< 10\%$ neutrophils, erythrocytes, and megakaryocytes)</p> <p><u>Organomegaly:</u></p> <p>Palpable hepatomegaly without ascites or other signs of organ damage or/ and palpable splenomegaly without hypersplenism and without weight loss or/and lymphadenopathy palpable or visceral LN-enlargement found in ULS or CT (> 2 cm)</p>	<p>-</p> <p><u>Cytopenia/s:</u></p> <p>ANC $< 1 \times 10^9/L$ Hb < 10 g/dL PLT $< 100 \times 10^9/L$ (one or more found)</p> <p><u>Hepatopathy:</u></p> <p>Ascites and elevated liver enzymes^c \pm hepatomegaly or cirrhotic liver \pm portal hypertension</p> <p><u>Spleen:</u></p> <p>Palpable splenomegaly with hypersplenism \pm weight loss \pm hypoalbuminemia</p> <p><u>GI tract:</u></p> <p>Malabsorption with hypoalbuminemia \pm weight loss</p> <p><u>Bone:</u></p> <p>Large-sized osteolysis (≥ 2 cm) with pathologic fracture \pm bone pain</p>

^aIn the case of a known H α T, the basal serum tryptase level should be adjusted. Although the optimal way of adjustment still needs to be defined, one way is to divide the basal tryptase level by 1 plus the extra copy numbers of the alpha tryptase gene. Example, when the tryptase level is 300 and 2 extra copies of the alpha tryptase gene are found in a patient with H α T, the H α T-corrected tryptase level is 100 ($300/3 = 100$) and would thus not qualify as a B-finding.

^bSigns of myeloproliferation and/or myelodysplasia must be discrete and stable (neither disappear nor progress) and must not reach diagnostic criteria of an MPN, MDS, or MPN/MDS in which case the diagnosis changes to SM-AHN. The presence of a myeloid AHN excludes B-findings and SSM by definition.

^cAlkaline phosphatase levels are typically elevated in patients with advanced SM and SM-induced liver damage. In some of these patients, only elevated liver enzymes but no (clinically relevant) ascites is found. AHN = associated hematologic neoplasm; ANC = absolute neutrophil count; BM = bone marrow; CT = computed tomography; GI = gastrointestinal; H α T = hereditary alpha-tryptasemia; Hb = hemoglobin; IHC = immunohistochemistry; LN = lymph node; MC = mast cells; MDS = myelodysplastic syndrome; MPN = myeloproliferative neoplasm; PB = peripheral blood; PLT = platelet count; SM = systemic mastocytosis; SSM = smoldering systemic mastocytosis; ULS = ultrasound; VAF = variant allele frequency.

1 maggiore + 1 minore
o almeno 3 criteri minori di SM

SM

Striscio midollare
< 20% MC

Striscio midollare
≥ 20% MC

FAB/WHO:
No AHNMD

FAB/WHO:
AHNMD

Striscio periferico
< 10% MC

Striscio periferico
≥ 10% MC

Reperti B
Reperti C

No Rep.ti B
No Rep.ti C

Rep.ti B
No Rep.ti C

Rep.ti
C

ISM

SSM

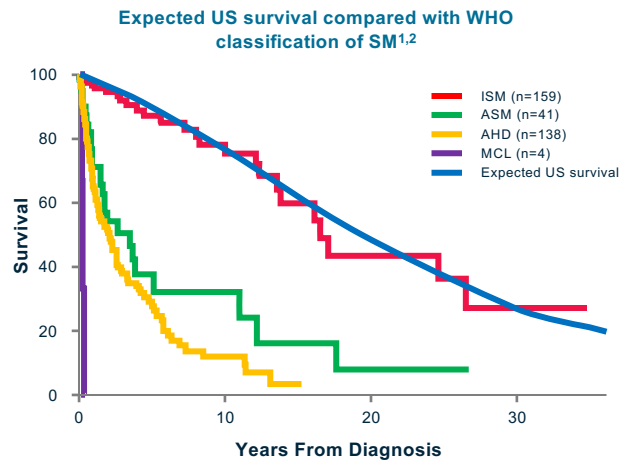
ASM

SM-AHNMD

MCL
Aleucemica

MCL

Reduced Overall Survival in Advanced Mastocytosis



Median OS (mo) ^{1,2}	
ISM	198
SSM	120
ASM	41
SM-AHN	24
MCL	2

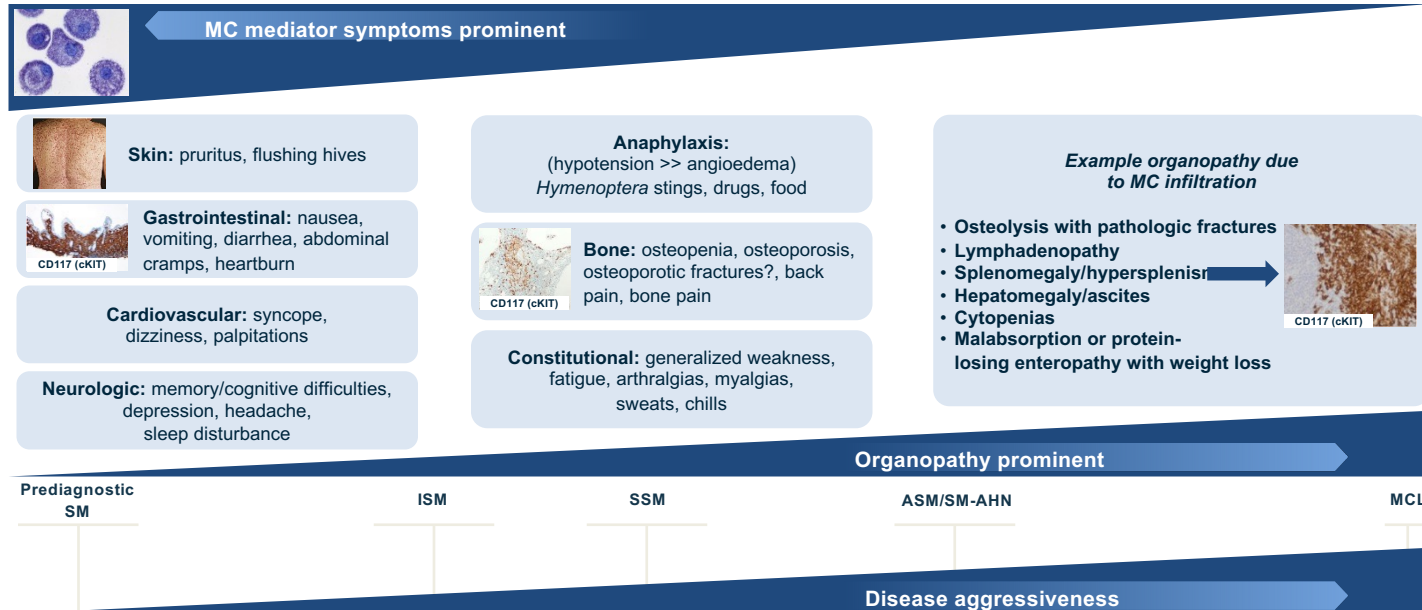
AdvSM³

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Clinical Spectrum of Systemic Mastocytosis



Clinical spectrum of patients with clonal MC disorders. Please refer to Tables I and II for the WHO classification of mastocytosis. “Prediagnostic” SM refers to an abnormal clonal bone marrow mast cell (BMMC) infiltrate that falls short of the diagnostic threshold for SM (generally satisfies 1-2 minor criteria only).¹

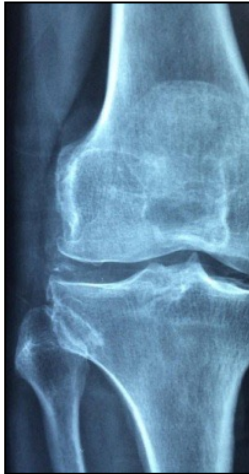
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Bone Involvement in Mastocytosis

SM



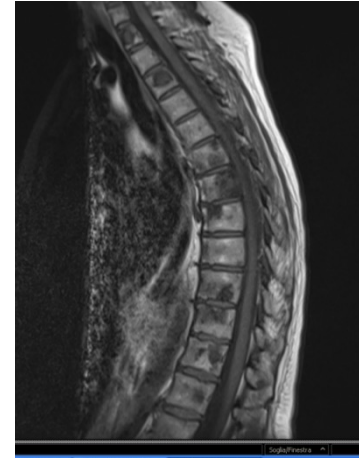
Osteopenia
Osteoporosis
Fractures



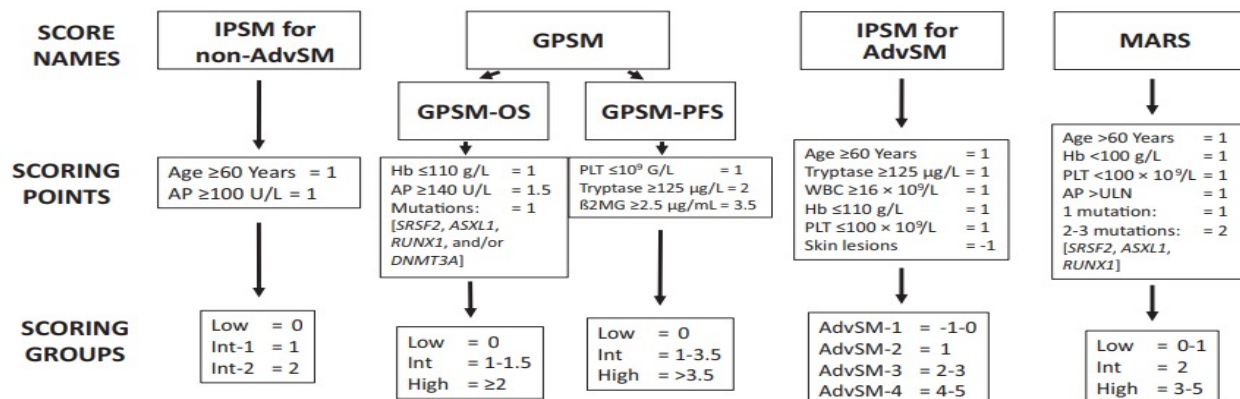
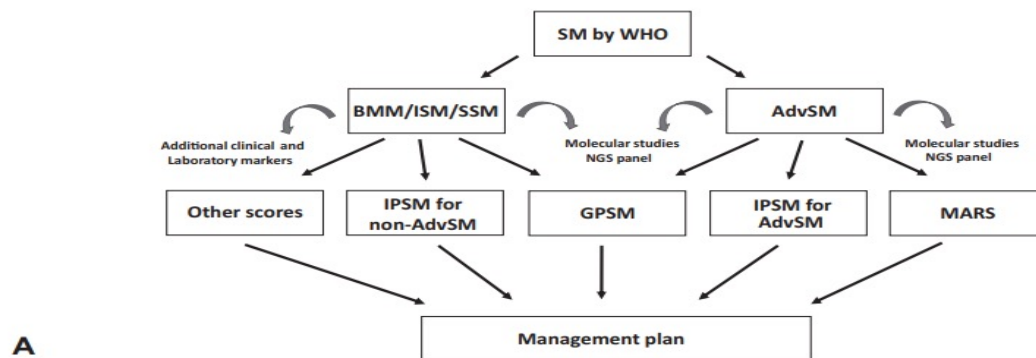
AdvSM



Osteosclerosis
Osteolysis
Fractures



Personalized Management Plan in SM



I. Diagnostic value of serum markers in SM

Serum marker	Normal values	Indolent SM (n=1531)	AdvSM (n=310)	p - value
Alkaline phosphatase	<126 U/l range	73 (19-786)	162 (20-1,696)	<0.0001
Tryptase	<20 µg/l range	31 (1- 2,100)	170 (20-1,696)	<0.0001
LDH	220 U/l range	165 (77- 3,187)	183 (9-2,152)	0.003
B2-microglobulin	<2.5 mg/l range	1.8 (0.2- 7.1) n=336	3.3 (1.2-17.2) n=70	<0.0001
Albumin	>35 g/l range	45 (11 -60)	39 (18-57)	<0.0001
Cholesterol	220 mg/dl range	190 (70-320) n=363	130 (63-380) n=60	<0.0001

Treatment algorithm for systemic mastocytosis

Indolent/smouldering SM

Avoid triggers of MC degranulation
(e.g., aspirin, narcotics, alcohol, contrast dye, anesthetics)

Symptoms of MC degranulation
(symptom burden assessment, treatment options include epinephrine, corticosteroids, histamine H1/H2-blockers, sodium cromoglycate, leukotriene inhibitors, topical agents, aspirin, ketotifen, omalizumab, MC cytoreductive therapy considered in severe/refractory cases)

Osteoporosis/osteopenia
(Bone mineral density assessment, calcium & vitamin D supplementation, bisphosphonates, denosumab, interferon- α , vertebraloplasty/kyphoplasty)

Perioperative management
(refer to specialized texts, consult with anesthesia and surgical teams, review prior anesthetic records, use 'safer' agents)

Clinical trial
(potent, selective mutant KIT inhibitor—e.g., avapritinib)

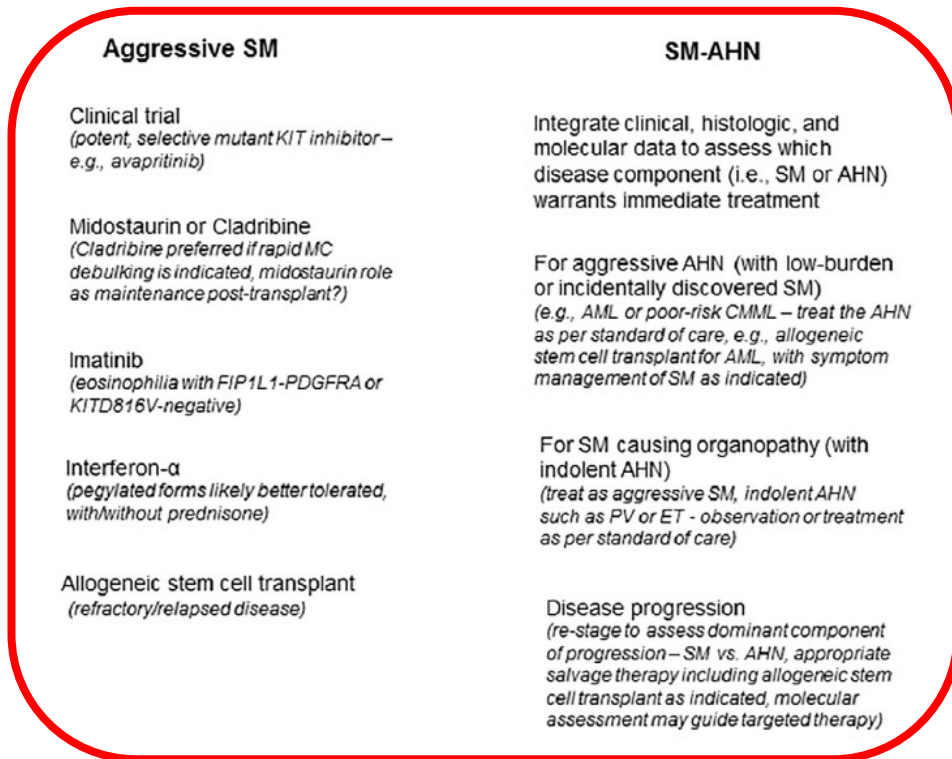
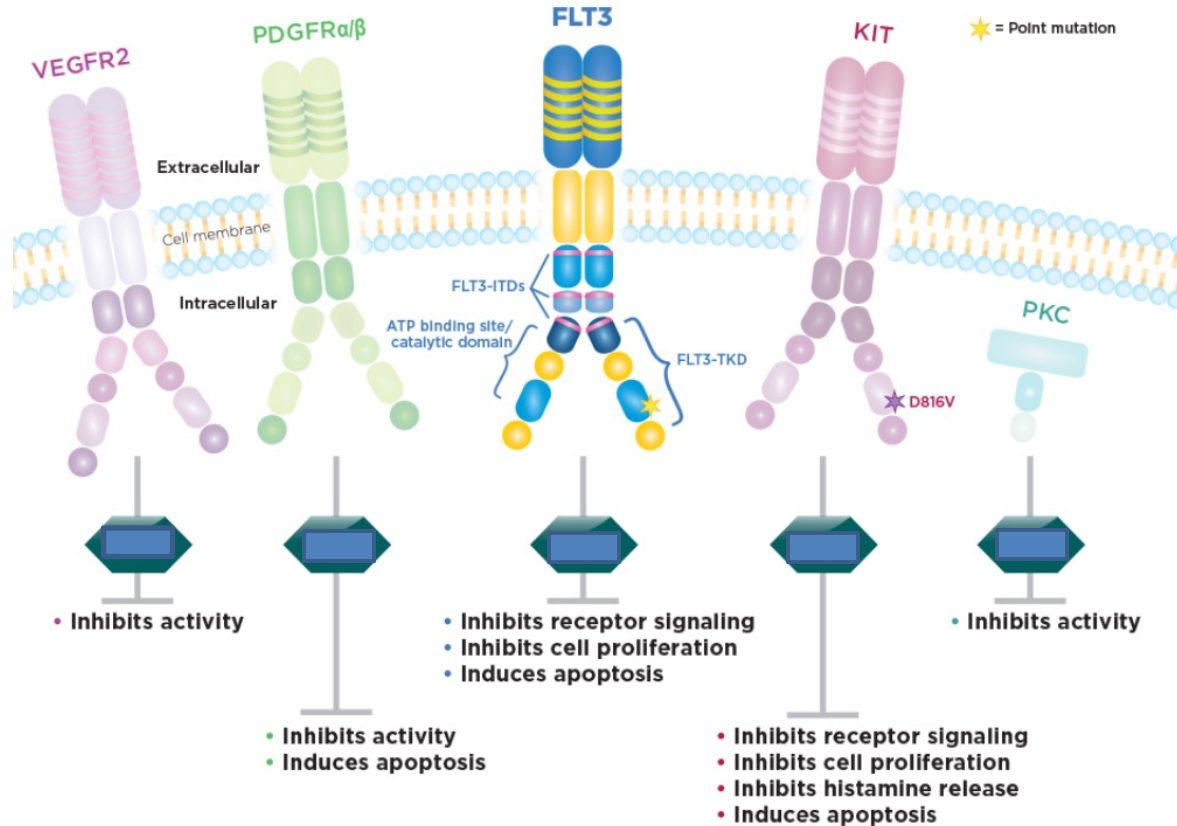
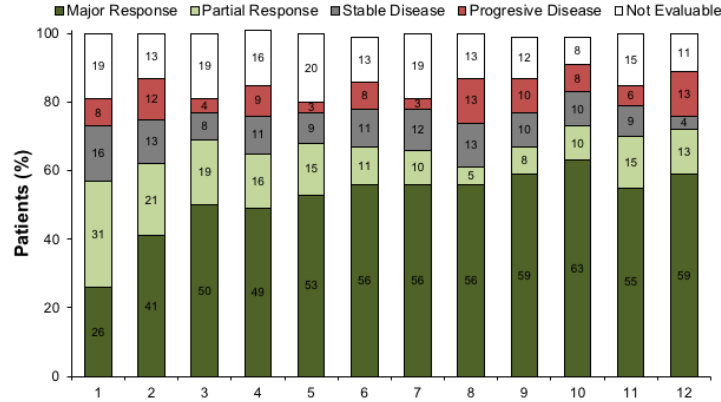


FIGURE 6 Algorithm for the treatment of systemic mastocytosis

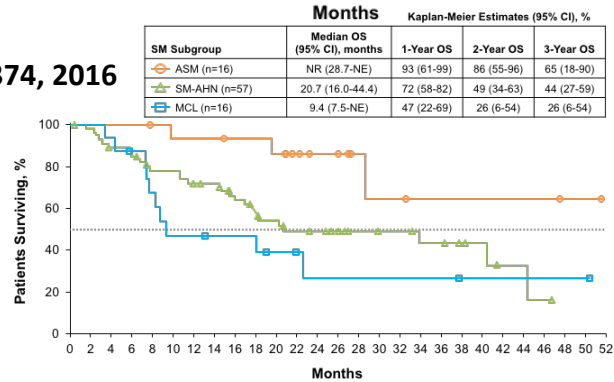
Midostaurin is a Multiple Kinase Inhibitor



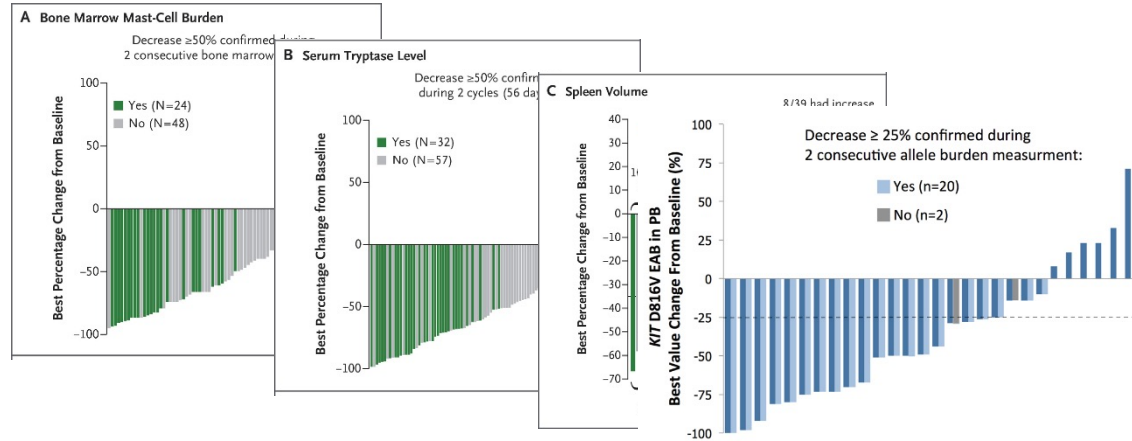
Activity of midostaurin in advanced SM



Gotlib *et al.*, NEJM 374, 2016

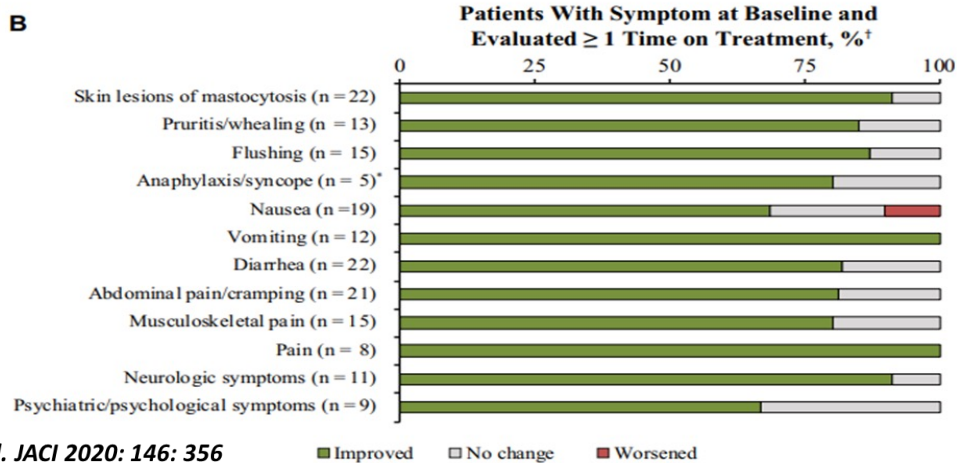
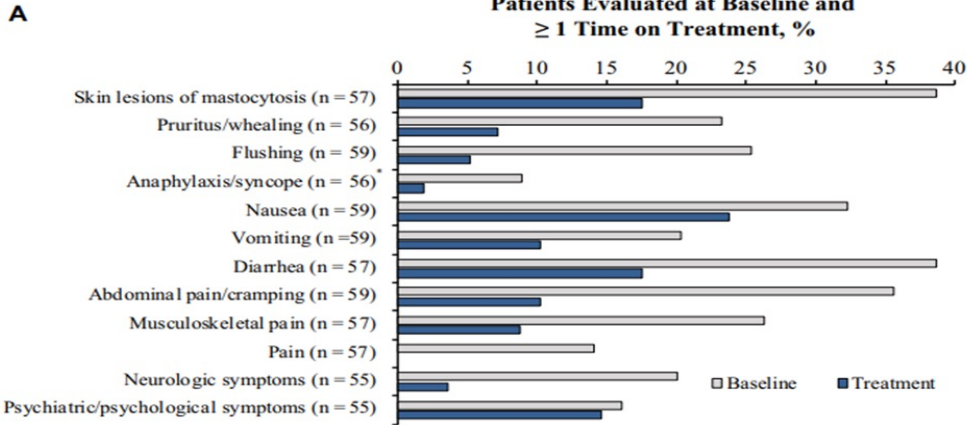


Midostaurin – disease modifying activity



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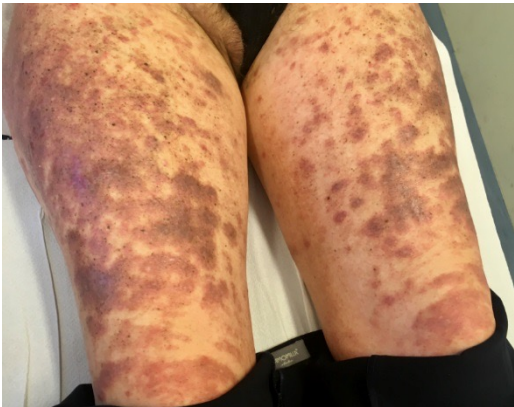
Midostaurin Improves Mediator-Related Symptoms in Mastocytosis



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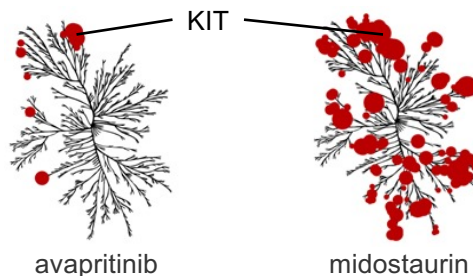
After 3 mo Midostaurin



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Avapritinib

Potent and highly selective
inhibitor of D816V mutant *KIT*



***KIT* D816V biochemical IC₅₀**

0.27 nM

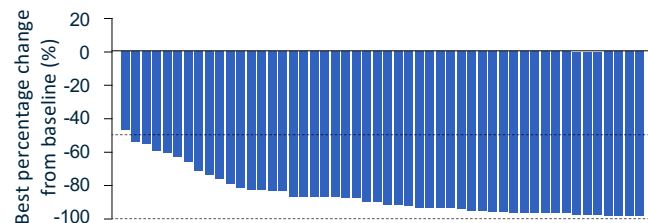
2.9 nM

Evans EK et al. Sci Transl Med. 2017;9(414)

Clinical proof-of-concept in Phase 1
EXPLORER clinical trial¹⁻³

m-IMG-MRT-ECNM ORR: 83%^{2*}

Serum tryptase reduction in all patients²



1. *DeAngelo et al. ASH 2017 (Plenary Session)*

2. *Deininger et al. EHA 2018*

3. *Gotlib et al. ECNM 2018*

Granted FDA Breakthrough Therapy Designation for AdvSM

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m-IMG-MRT-ECNM, modified International Working Group Myeloproliferative Neoplasms Research and Treatment and European Competence Network on Mastocytosis criteria; ORR, overall response rate
*Data previously reported at EHA 2018. Data cutoff date: April 30, 2018.

Efficacy of Avapritinib in AdvSM

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Table 3 | Overall response rates by centrally adjudicated mIWG-MRT-ECNM response criteria

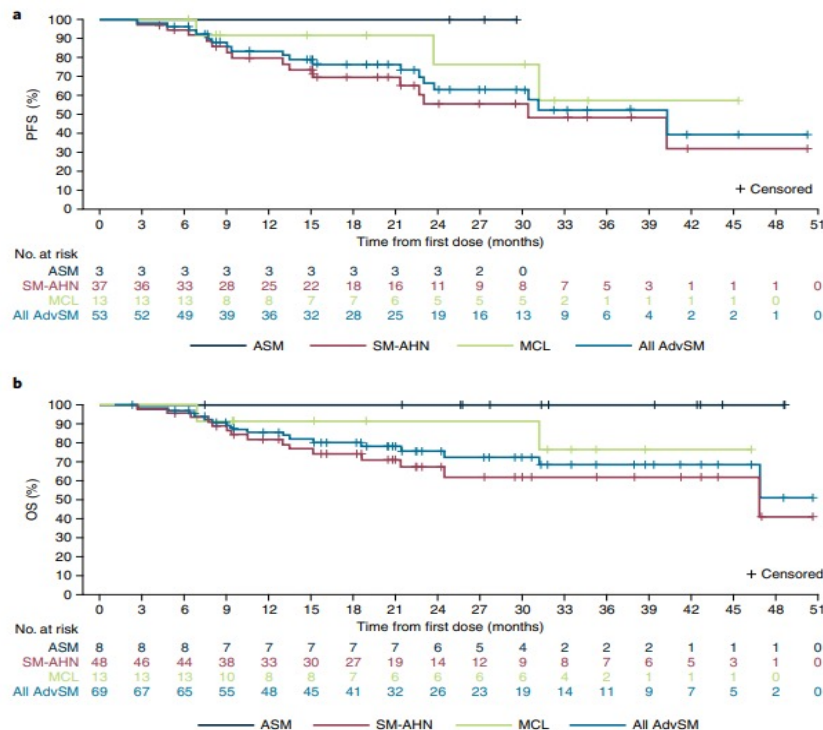
Best confirmed response by mIWG-MRT-ECNM criteria, n (%)	By AdvSM subtype				All AdvSM, by midostaurin history		All AdvSM, by prior therapy history	
	All AdvSM (n = 53)	ASM (n = 3)	SM-AHN (n = 37)	MCL (n = 13)	Prior midostaurin exposure (n = 17)	Midostaurin naïve (n = 36)	Any prior therapy (n = 32)	No prior therapy (n = 21)
ORR (CR + CRh + PR + CI), n (%)	40 (75)	3 (100)	28 (76)	9 (69)	10 (59)	30 (83)	22 (69)	18 (86)
95% CI	62–86	29–100	59–88	39–91	33–82	67–94	50–84	64–97
Best response								
CR or CRh	19 (36)	2 (67)	14 (38)	3 (23)	3 (18)	16 (44)	9 (28)	10 (48)
CR	8 (15)	0	5 (14)	3 (23)	2 (12)	6 (17)	4 (13)	4 (19)
CRh	11 (21)	2 (67)	9 (24)	0	1 (6)	10 (28)	5 (16)	6 (29)
PR	18 (34)	1 (33)	13 (35)	4 (31)	6 (35)	12 (33)	11 (34)	7 (33)
CI	3 (6)	0	1 (3)	2 (15)	1 (6)	2 (6)	2 (6)	1 (5)
SD	12 (23)	0	8 (22)	4 (31)	6 (35)	6 (17)	9 (28)	3 (14)
PD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NE	1 (2)	0	1 (3)	0	1 (6)	0	1 (3)	0

AdvSM, advanced systemic mastocytosis; ASM, aggressive systemic mastocytosis; CI, clinical improvement; CR, complete remission; CRh, complete remission with partial recovery of peripheral blood counts; mIWG_MRT-ECNM, modified International Working Group-Myeloproliferative Neoplasms Research and Treatment and European Competence Network on Mastocytosis; MCL, mast cell leukemia; NE, not evaluable; ORR, overall response rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial remission; SD, stable disease; SM-AHN, systemic mastocytosis with an associated hematologic neoplasm.

Avapritinib in AdvSM

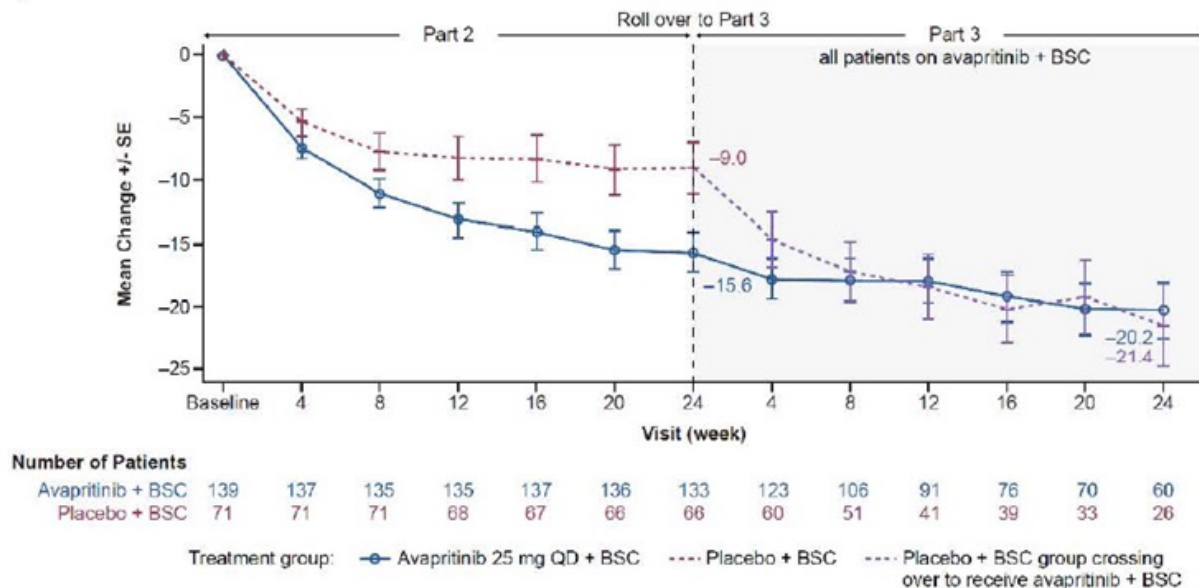
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Avapritinib in Indolent Systemic Mastocytosis

Figure. ISM-SAF TSS over time*



Conclusioni

- La mastocitosi è una patologia clonale dei mastociti associata a mutazioni somatiche di *Kit* caratterizzata da quadri clinici estremamente eterogenei
- Le manifestazioni cliniche della mastocitosi sono determinate dalla secrezione di mediatori vasoattivi (anafilassi !) e dall'infiltrazione mastocitaria d'organo
- Le forme di mastocitosi avanzata (ASM, AHNM, MCL) hanno una prognosi infausta
- La diagnosi e la stadiazione precoce della malattia consentono una corretta valutazione prognostica e l'implementazione di un efficace approccio terapeutico
- Midostaurina ed avapritinib sono efficaci *targeted-treatments* per le mastocitosi avanzate



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