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# ***Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplant for Myelofibrosis***

## ***When and How?***

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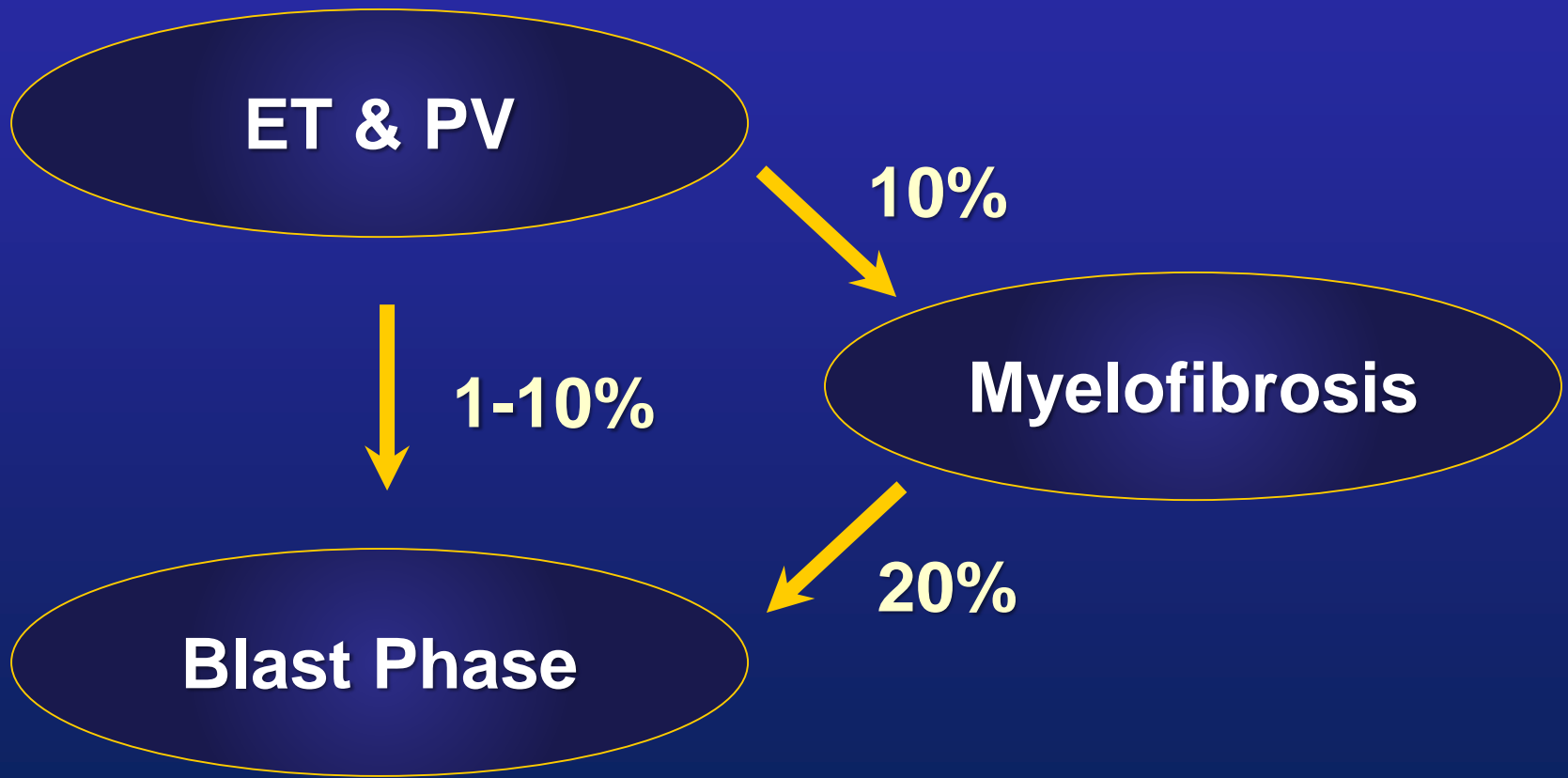
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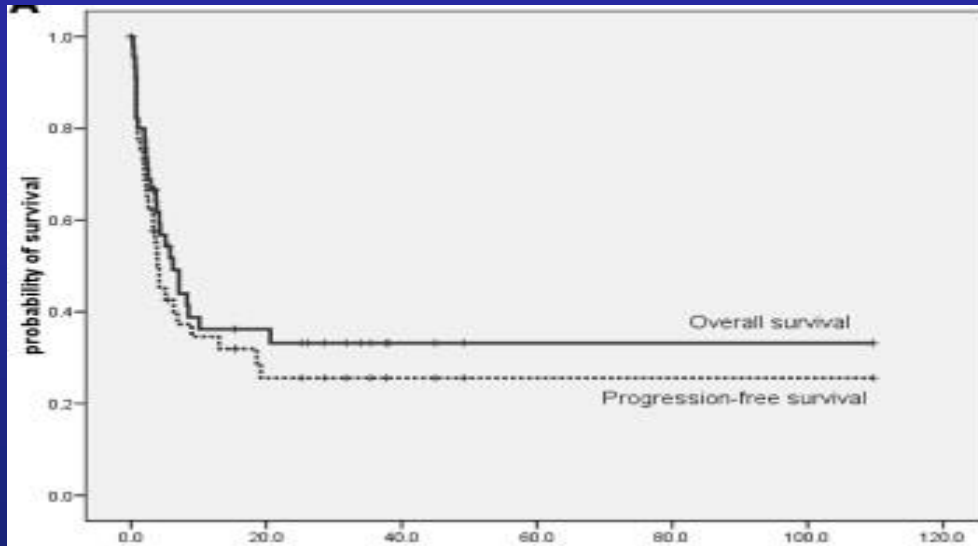
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# Progression in the MPNs



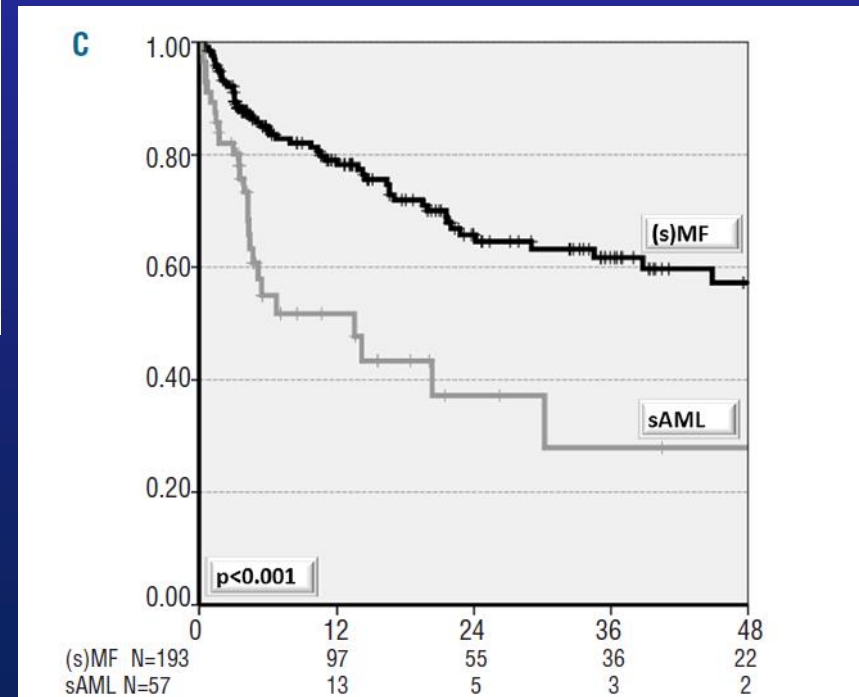
# Allogeneic stem cell transplantation for blast phase of PV or myelofibrosis (EBMT data)

## Transformed Leukemia after myelofibrosis



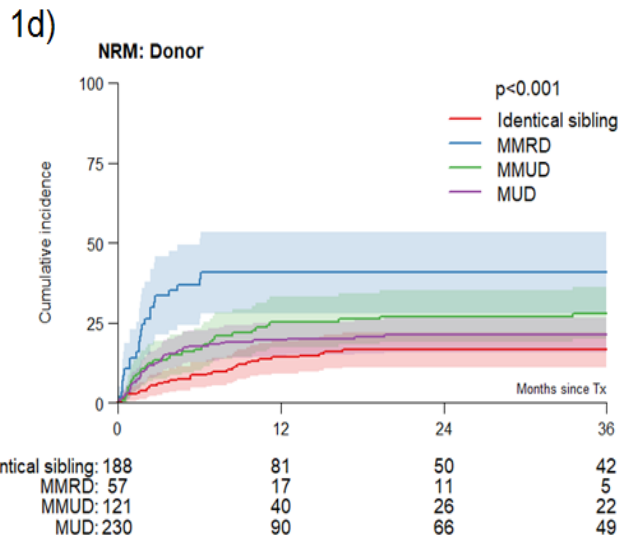
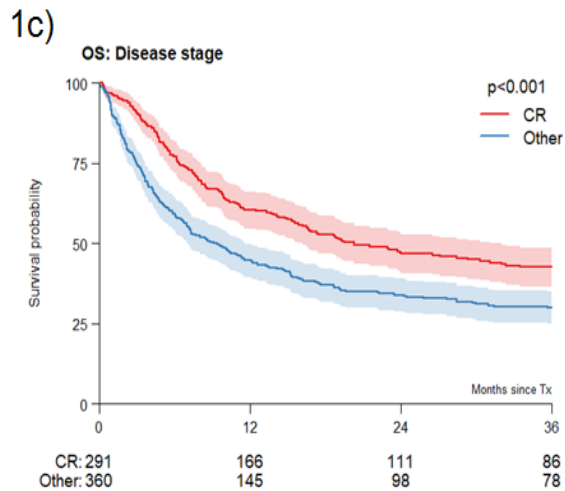
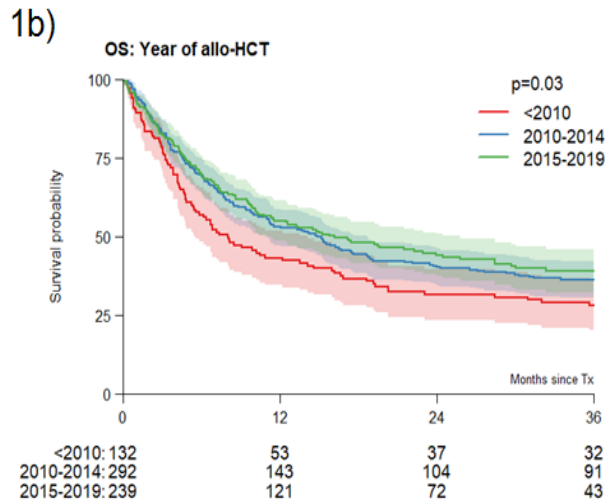
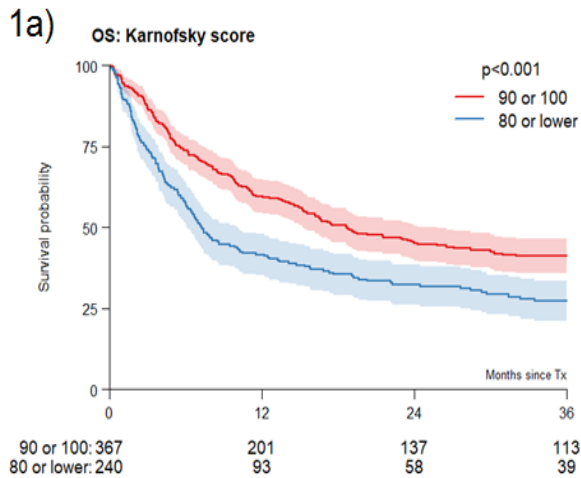
Alchalby et al BBMT 2014

## PV transformed to sMF or sAML



Lussana et al Haematologica 2014

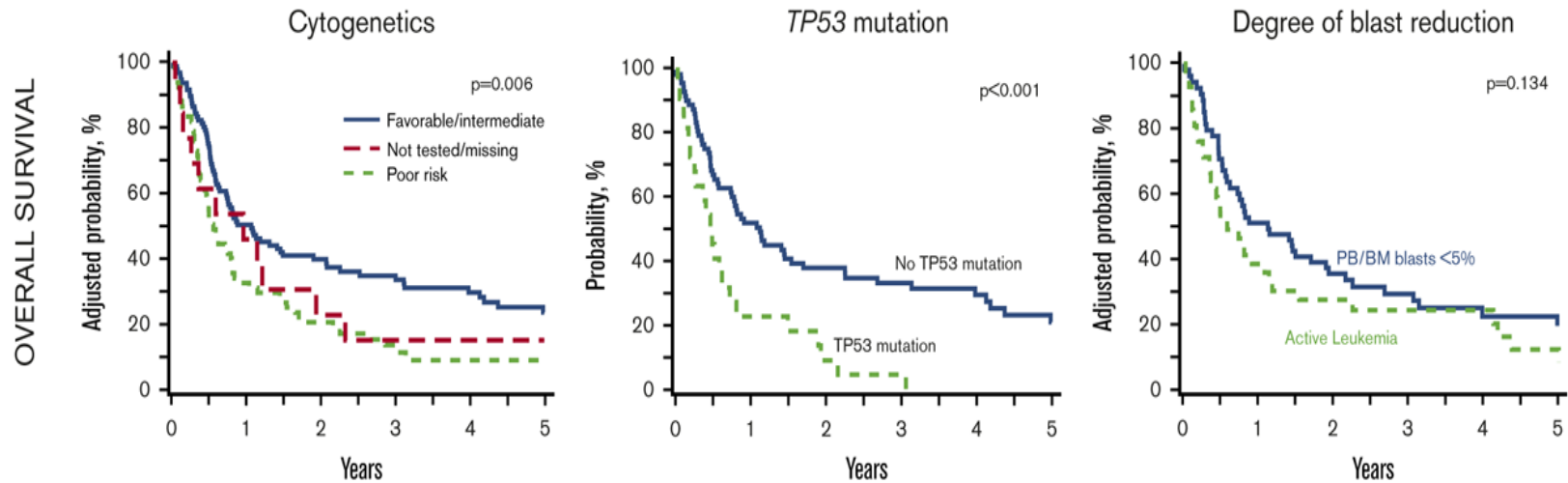
# Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation for blastic phase MPN: EBMT /CMWP data



**EBMT study:**  
**N=662**  
**TRM at 1 y: 24%**  
**Relapse at 3 y: 48%**  
**PFS at 3 y: 28%**  
**OS at 3 y: 36%**

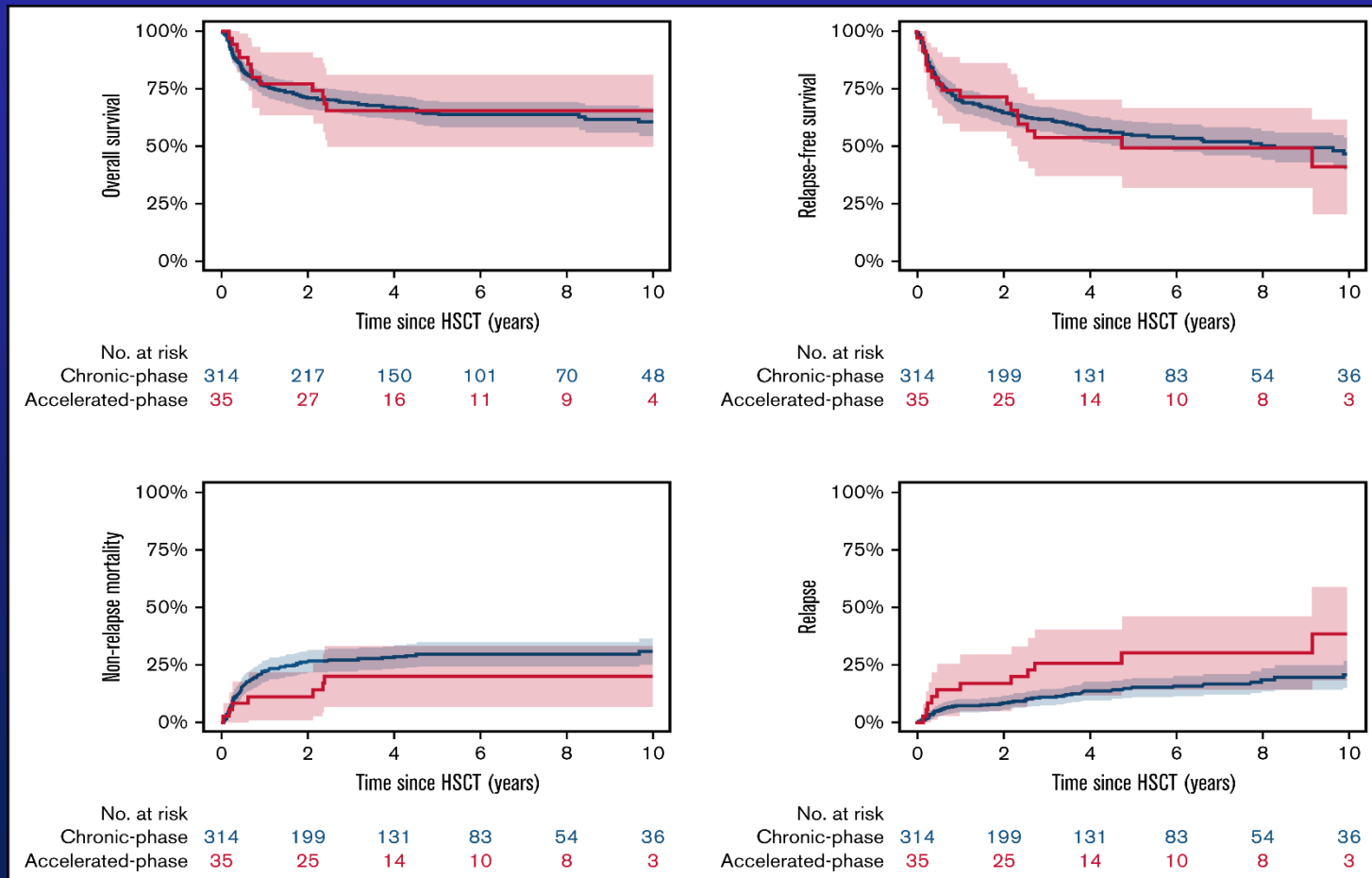
# Genetic factors rather than blast reduction determine outcomes of allogeneic HCT in BCR-ABL–negative MPN in blast phase (CIBMTR data)

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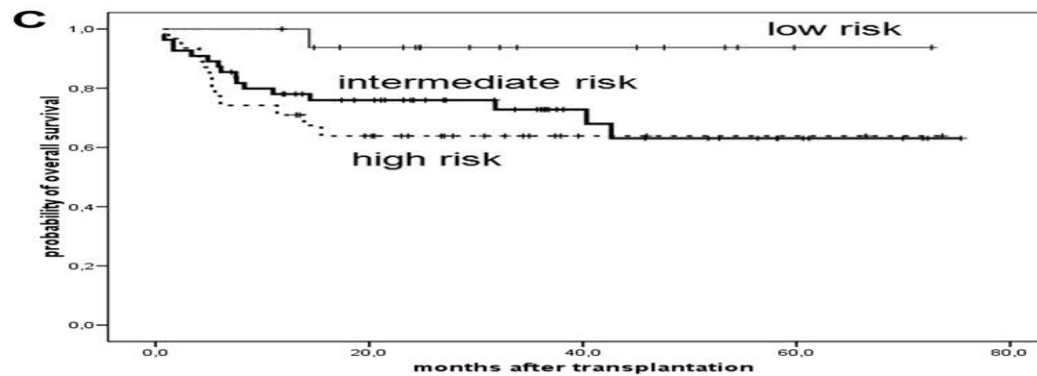
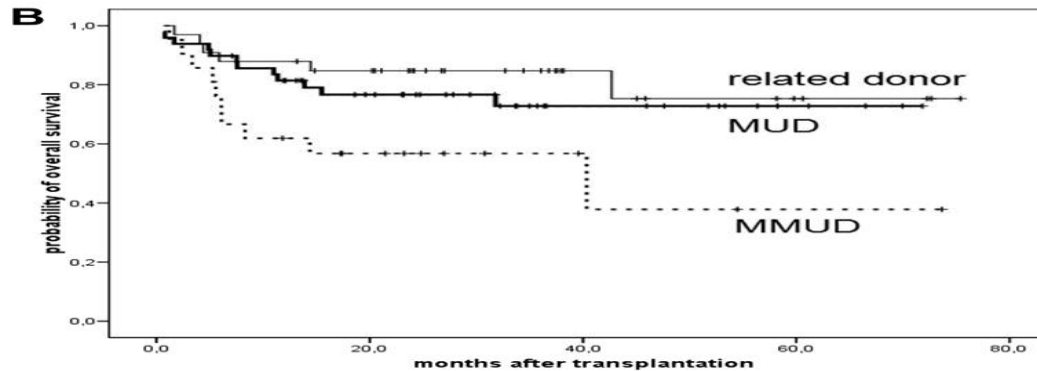
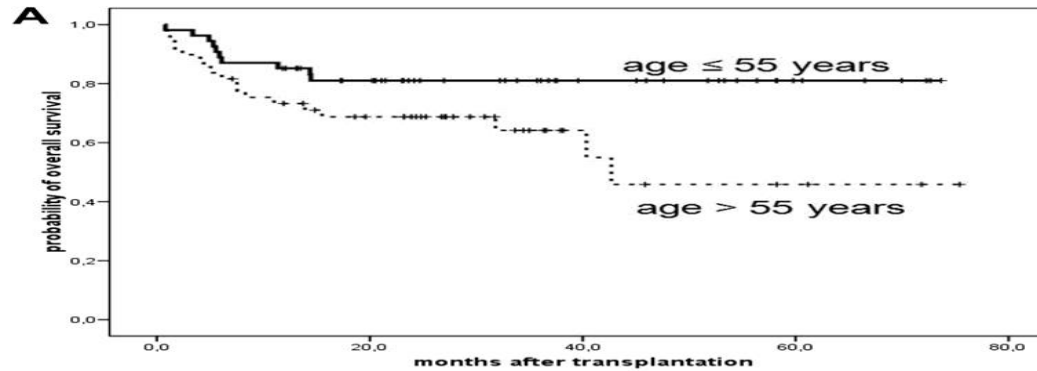


- The following genetic factors predict outcomes of HCT in MPN-BP:
  - Cytogenetic alterations
  - *TP53* mutation status
- Degree of blast reduction does *not* impact outcomes
- There is minimal benefit of HCT in patients with mutated *TP53* status

# Reduced intensity hematopoietic SCT for accelerated-phase myelofibrosis (n=35) in comparison to chronic phase (n=314)

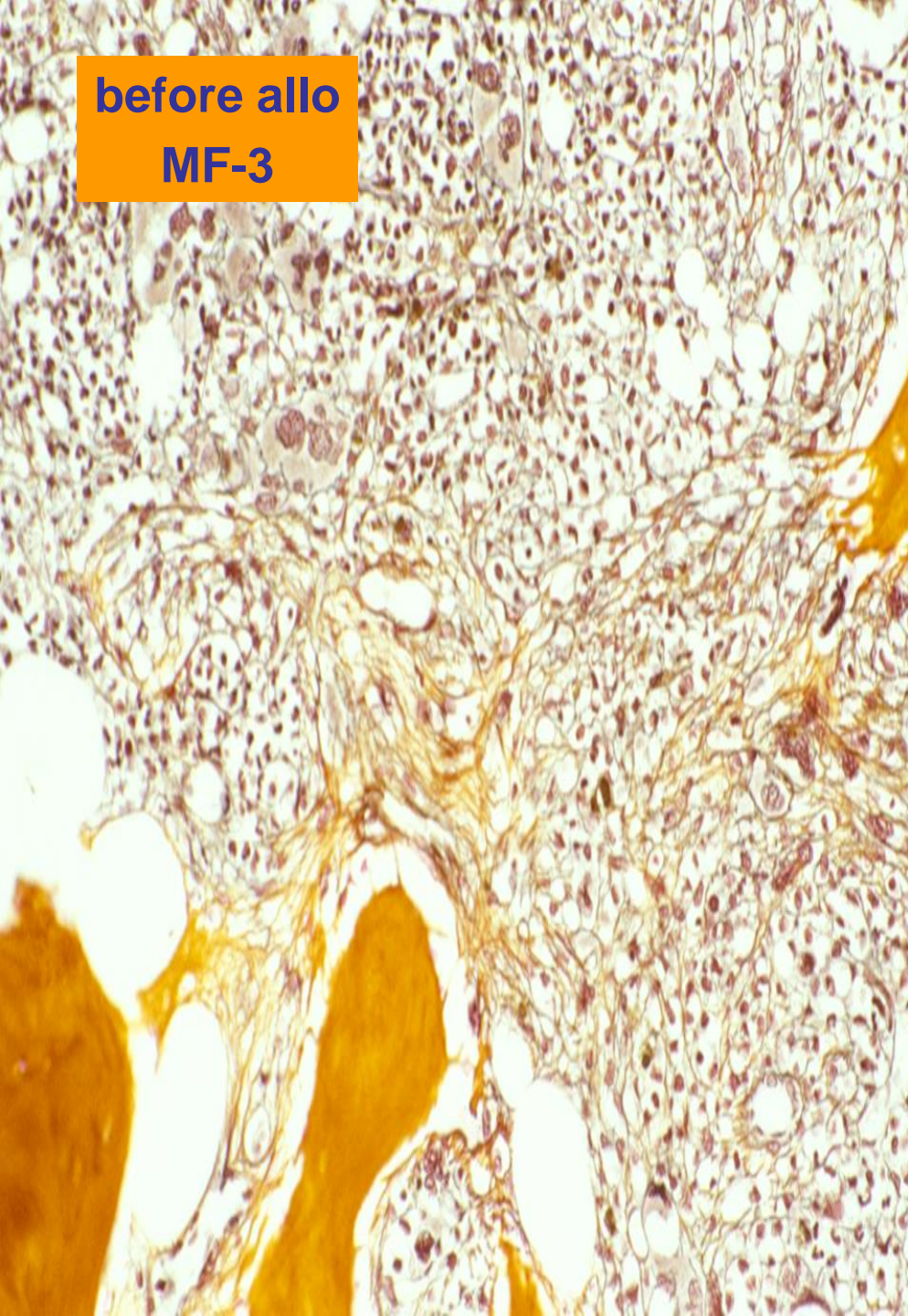


# Survival of pts with myelofibrosis after busulfan/fludatabine based reduced-intensity allogeneic stem cell transplantation. Prospective EBMT study (n=103; med age 55y)

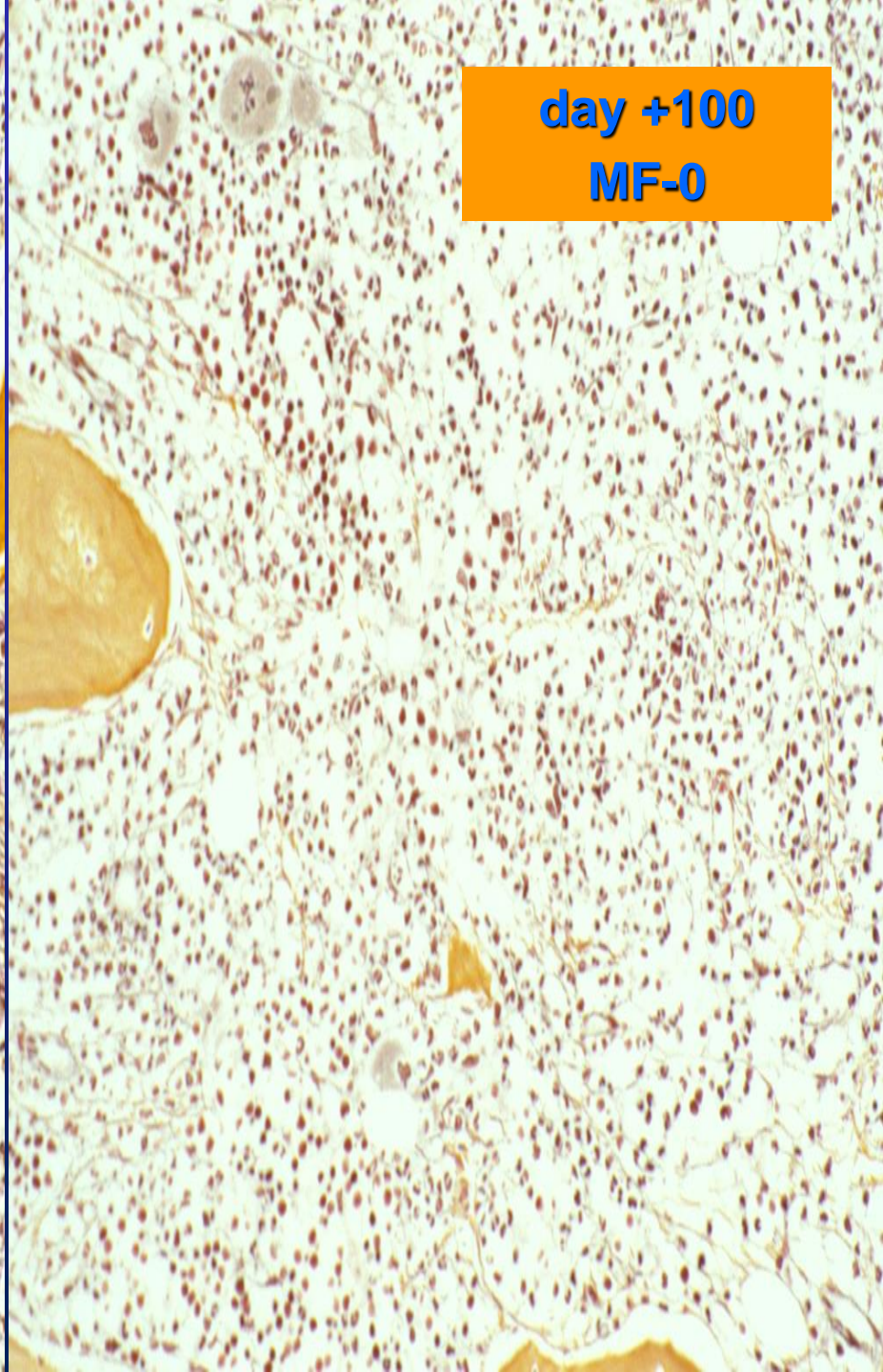




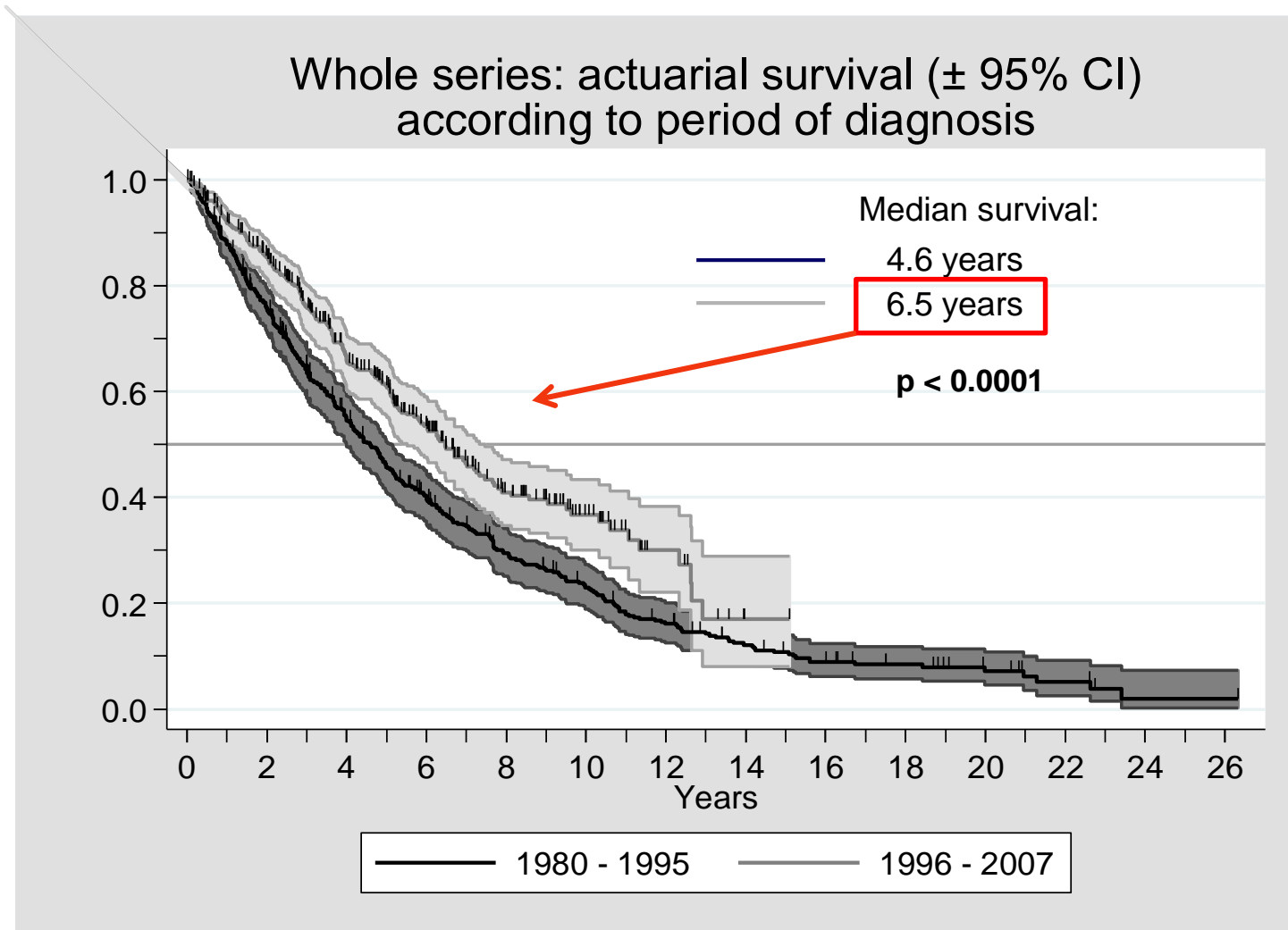
**before allo  
MF-3**



**day +100  
MF-0**



# Primary Myelofibrosis: Survival between 1980 and 1995 and between 1996 and 2007



# Evolving Prognostic Scores in Myelofibrosis

	<i>Lille</i>	<i>IPSS</i>	<i>DIPSS</i>	<i>DIPSS-Plus</i>
<b>Anemia</b>	X	X	X	X
<b>Leukocytes</b>	X	X	X	X
<b>Blasts</b>		X	X	X
<b>Constitutional Symptoms</b>		X	X	X
<b>Age &gt;65</b>		X	X	X
<b>Karyotype</b> (-8,-7,-5, i17q,12p-,inv3, 11q23 or Complex)				X
<b>PLT &lt;100</b>				X
<b>RBC Transfusion Dep</b>				X

*Dupriez B, et al. Blood. 1996;88:1013-1018.*  
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# Risk scoring system

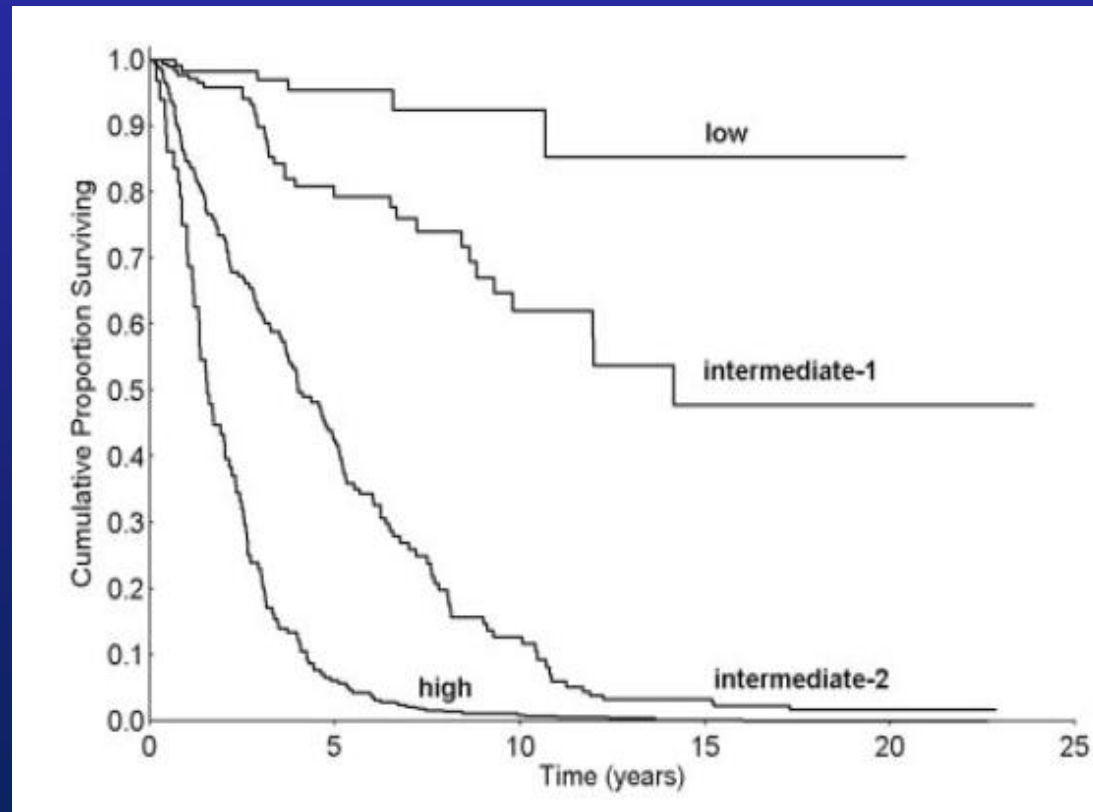
## Factors

- Age > 65 years 1
- Constitutional symptoms 1
- Hb < 10 g/dL 2
- Leukocytes > 25 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L 1
- Blood blasts  $\geq$  1% 1

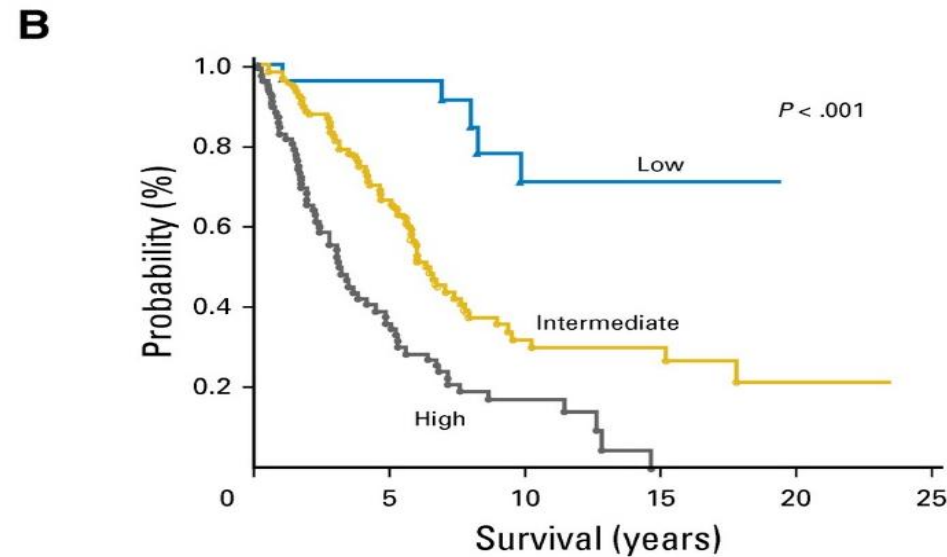
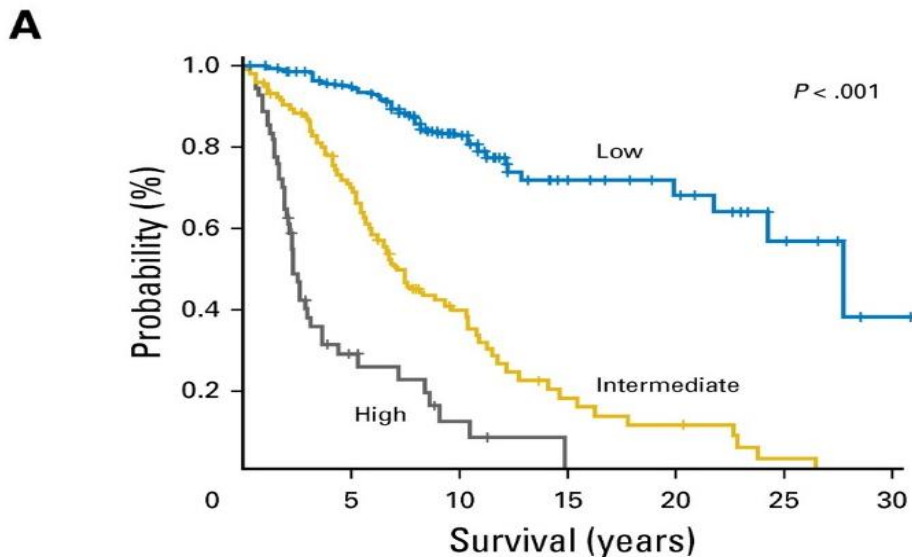
## Risk groups

- Low 0
- Intermediate-1 1-2
- Intermediate-2 3-4
- High  $\geq$  5

## *DIPSS: Dynamic International Prognostic Scoring System for PMF*



# Overall survival (OS) in (A) training and (B) validation cohorts by the MIPSS70 prognostic scoring system risk classification



**At risk time**

Low	380	173	70	35	18
Intermediate	198	102	27	8	5
High	54	10	3	0	0

**At risk time**

Low	27	21	9	5	0
Intermediate	105	54	17	9	2
High	79	23	5	0	0

median OS

Low 27.7 y

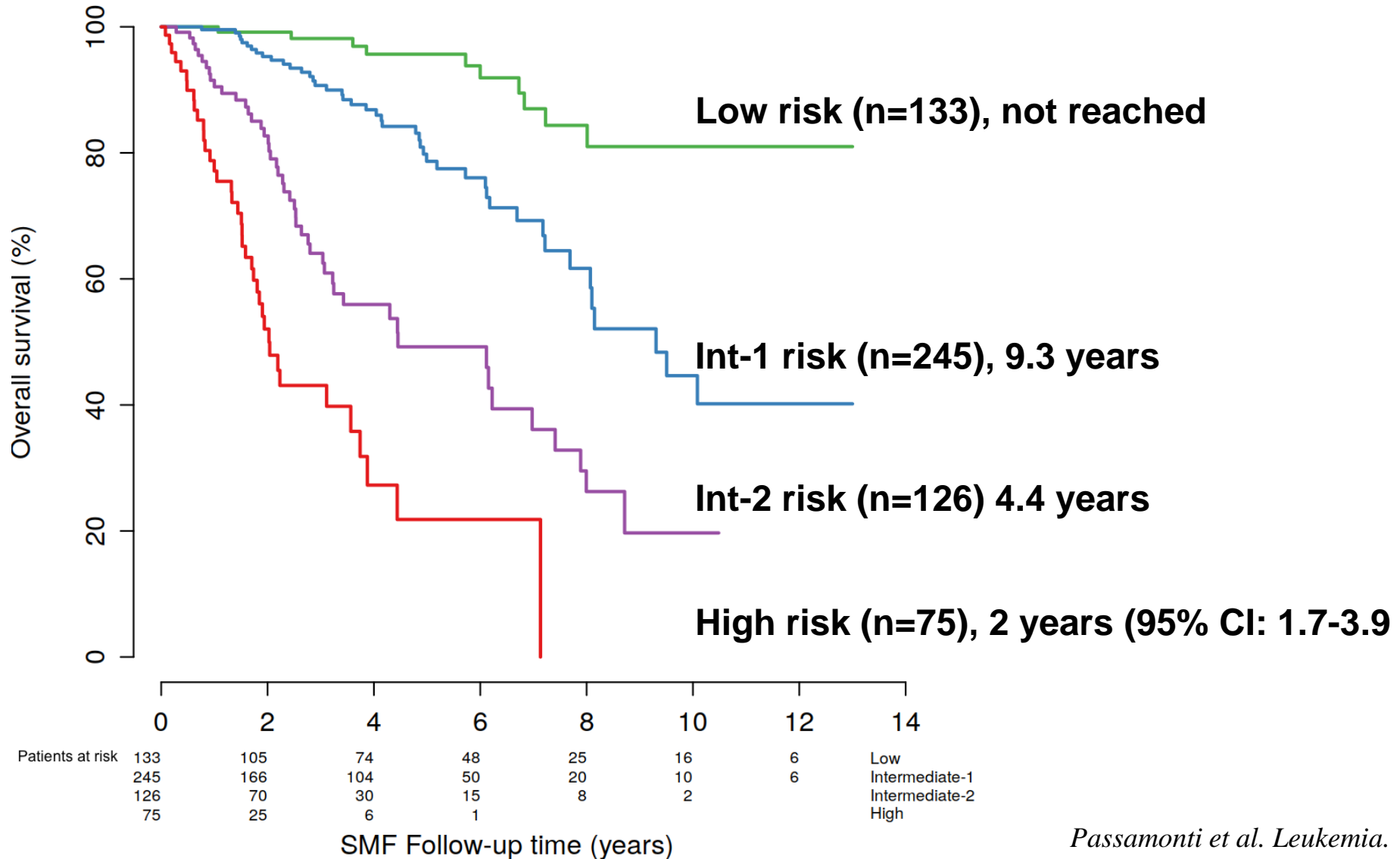
Interm. 7.1 y

High 2.3 y

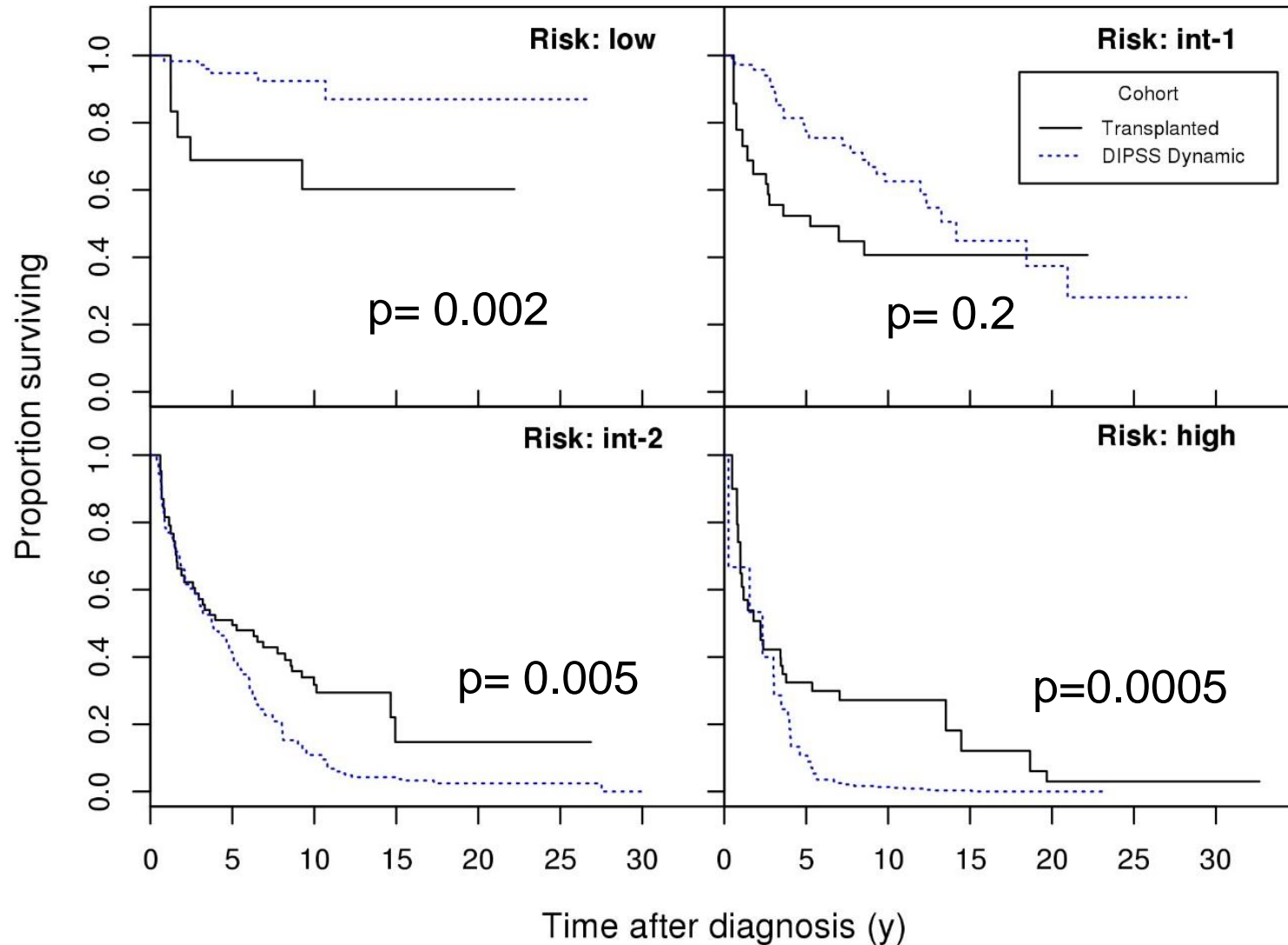
# The MYSEC-PM score for Post ET/PV myelofibrosis

Factor	Score values			
	0	1	2	
Age, years	*0.15			
Constitutional symptoms	No	Yes		
Blood blasts, %	<3		≥3	
Platelets, x 10 <sup>9</sup> /l	≥150	<150		
CALR-unmutated genotype	No		Yes	
Hemoglobin, x10 <sup>9</sup> /l	≥11		<11	
<b>Overall</b>	<b>&lt;11</b>	<b>11 to &lt;14</b>	<b>14 to &lt;16</b>	<b>≥16</b>
<b>Risk groups</b>	<b>Low</b>	<b>Intermediate-1</b>	<b>Intermediate-2</b>	<b>High</b>

# The MYSEC-PM estimate of survival in SMF

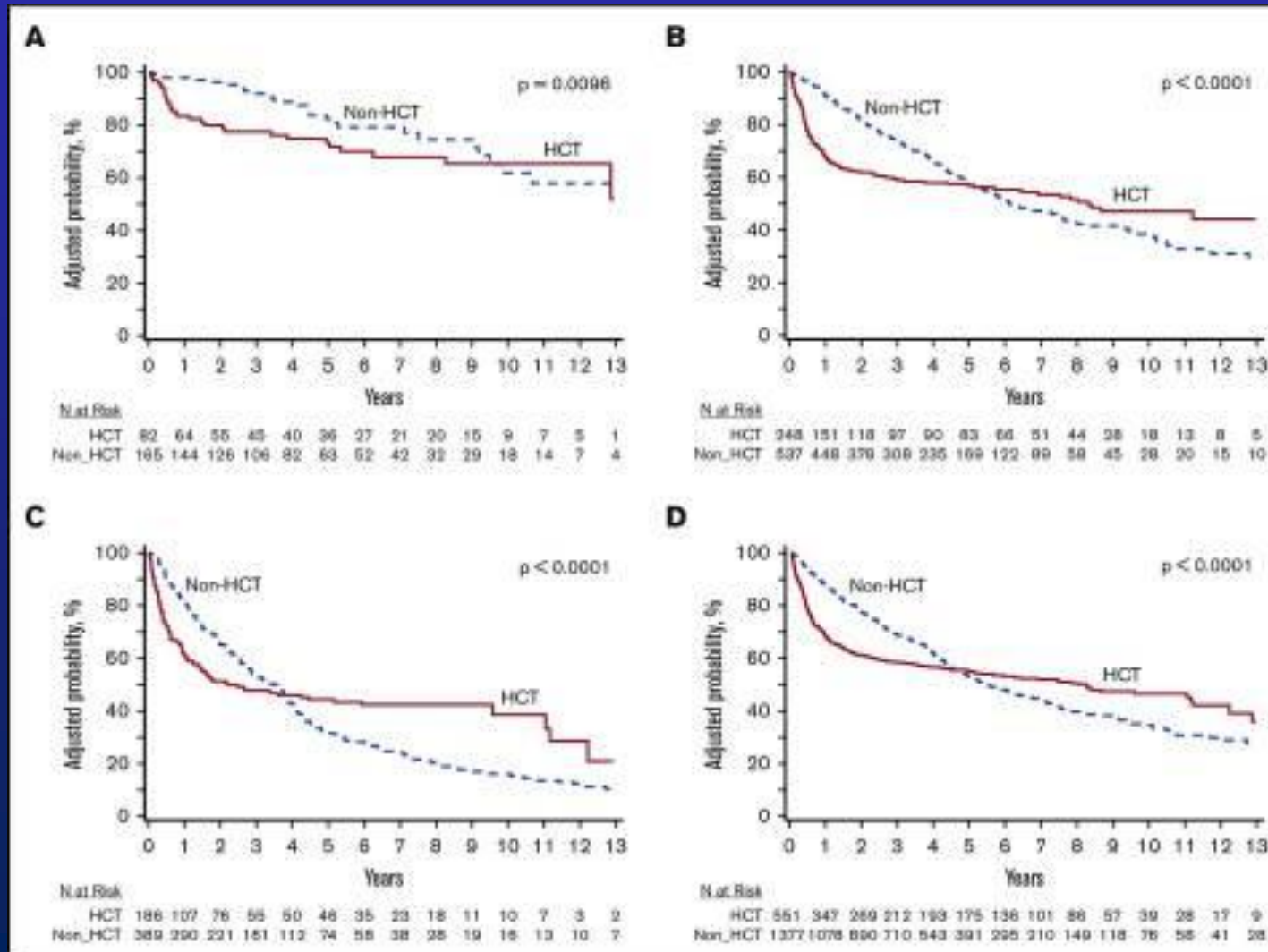


# Results of transplant vs non-transplant according DIPSS after left truncation





Survival probabilities for the DIPSS risk groups in MF receiving HCT vs non-HCT therapy. (A) DIPSS low risk. (B) DIPSS Int-1. (C) DIPSS Int-2 or higher. (D) Overall (all DIPSS groups). CIBMTR data



# Recommendation from EBMT/ELN regarding patient selection

1

All patients with intermediate-2– or high-risk disease according IPSS, DIPSS, or DIPSS-Plus, and age <70 y should be considered candidates for alloHSCT

2

Patients with intermediate-1–risk disease and age <65 y should be considered candidates for alloHSCT if they present either with refractory transfusion-dependent anemia, a percentage of blasts in peripheral blood >2%, or adverse cytogenetics

3

Patients with low-risk disease should not be considered candidates for alloHSCT; they should be monitored and evaluated for transplant when disease progression occurs

# Recommendation for Transplantation

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**Are available prognostic risk scores for Myelofibrosis also predictive for outcome after stem cell transplantation?**

**How important are „transplant-specific“ and „patient-specific“ risk factors to predict outcome after stem cell transplantation?**

# Transplant Risk score for myelofibrosis (n=361)

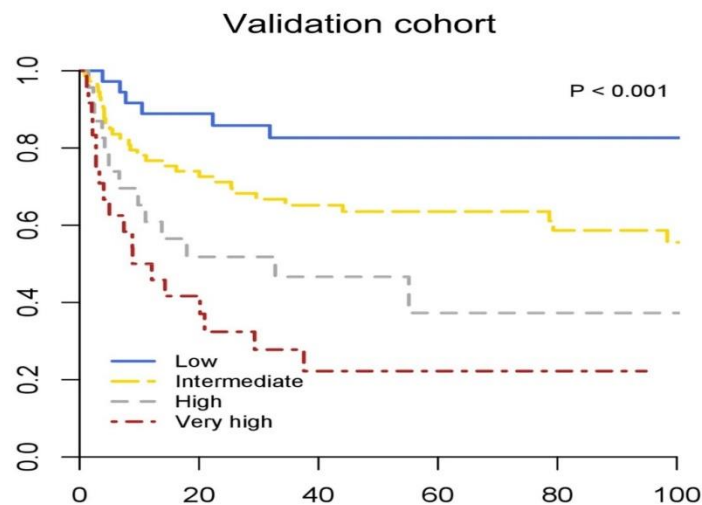
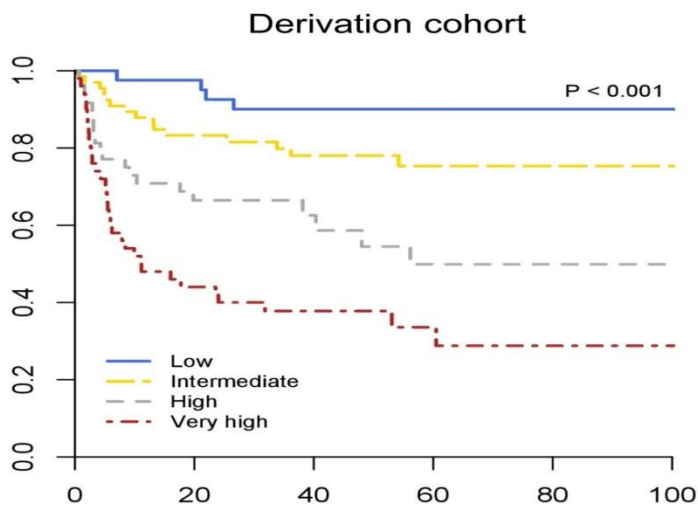
Variable	Hazard ratio	95% CI	P	Scoring
<b>Leukocyte count, x 10<sup>9</sup>/l</b>			0.007	
≤ 25	reference			1
> 25	1.70	1.16 to 2.61		
<b>Karnofsky performance score</b>			0.021	
90 to 100	reference			1
< 90	1.50	1.06 to 2.13		
<b>CALR-/MPL-unmutated genotype</b>	2.20	1.10 to 4.51	0.032	2
<b>Platelet count, x 10<sup>9</sup>/l</b>			0.006	
≥ 150	reference			1
< 150	1.67	1.16 to 2.40		
<b>Age, years</b>			0.006	
≥ 57	reference			1
< 57	1.65	1.15 to 2.36		
<b>HLA-mismatch unrelated donor</b>	2.08	1.45 to 2.97	< 0.001	2
<b>ASXL1</b>	1.42	1.01 to 2.01	0.041	1

# Transplant-risk score for PMF and post ET / PV PMF

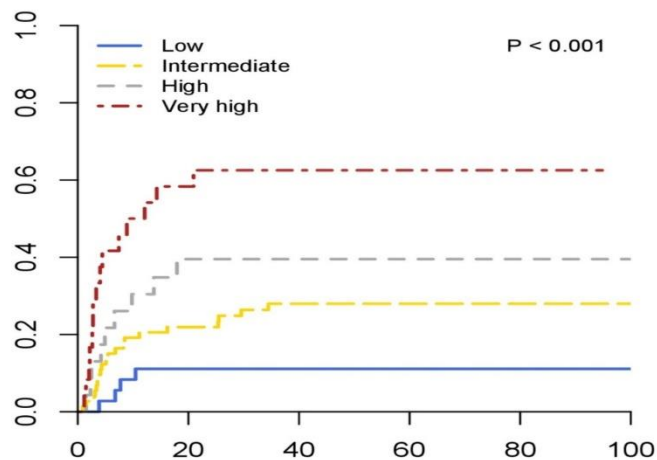
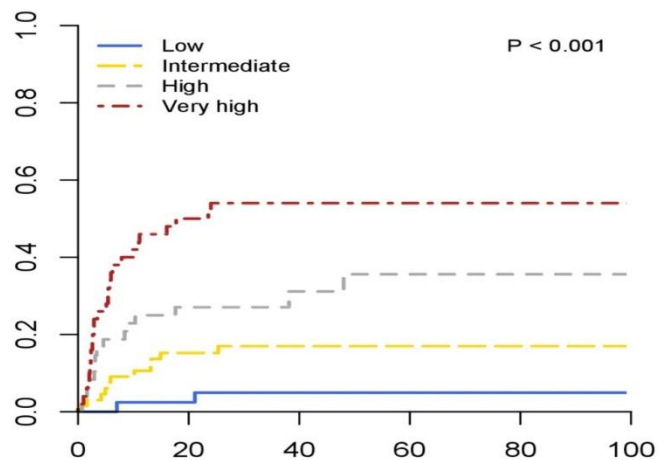
				5 y OS	NRM
Leucocytes > 25 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	1	0-2	low	90%	10%
Karnofsky ≤ 90	1				
CALR + MPL unmutated	2	3-4	intermediate	77%	22%
Platelets ≤ 150 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	1				
Age > 57 yrs	1	5	high	50%	36%
Mismatch unrelated donor	2	≥ 6	very high	34%	57%
ASXL-1	1				

# Transplant Risk score for myelofibrosis

OS



NRM

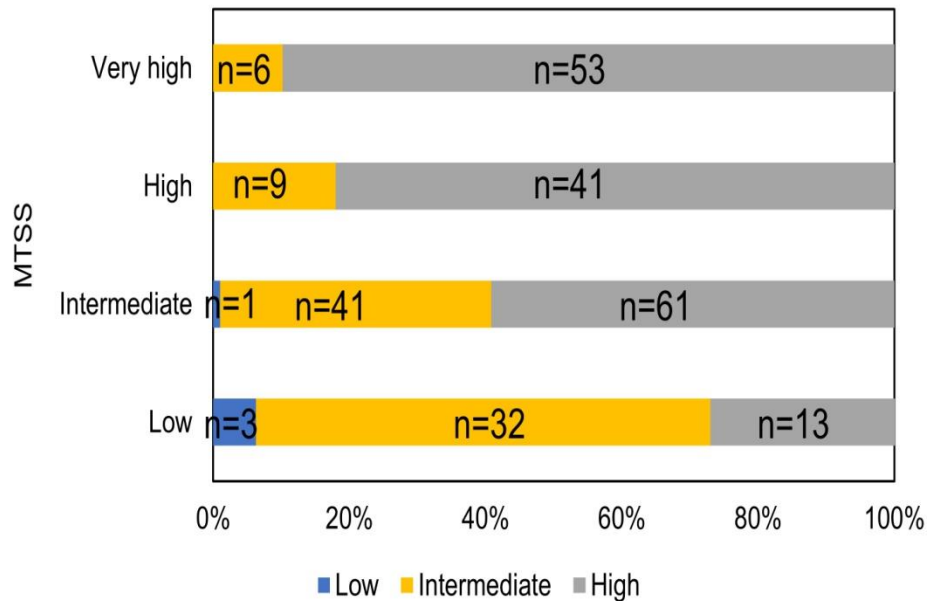


# Comparison of the existing prognostic systems for 5-year survival after allogeneic SCT

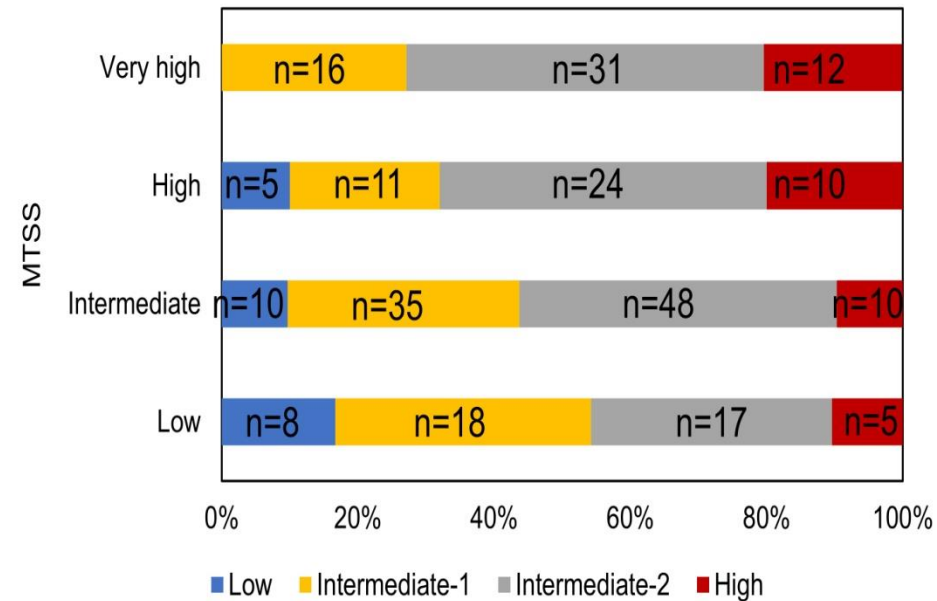
System	Components	No.	C-index (95% CI)	Bootstrap C-index (95% CI)
DIPSS	hemoglobin < 10 g/dL, age > 65 years, constitutional symptoms, leukocytes > 25 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L, circulating blasts ≥ 1%	260	0.573 (0.664 to 0.582)	0.566 (0.557 to 0.575)
DIPSS-plus	DIPSS, transfusion-dependence, unfavorable karyotype, platelets < 100 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	149	0.557 (0.546 to 0.568)	0.442 (0.531 to 0.553)
MIPSS70	hemoglobin < 10 g/dL, leukocytes > 25 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L, platelets < 100 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L, circulating blasts ≥ 2%, fibrosis grade ≥ 2, constitutional symptoms, absence of CALR type 1-like mutation, HMR category, ≥ 2 HMR mutations.	260	0.587 (0.578 to 0.596)	0.581 (0.572 to 0.590)
MIPSS70-plus	hemoglobin < 10 g/dL, circulating blasts ≥ 2%, constitutional symptoms, absence of CALR type 1-like mutation, HMR category, <sup>7</sup> ≥ 2 HMR mutations, unfavorable karyotype	149	0.547 (0.536 to 0.558)	0.540 (0.530 to 0.550)
MYSEC-PM	CALR-unmutated genotype, hemoglobin < 11 g/dL, platelets < 150 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L, circulating blasts ≥ 3%, age, constitutional symptoms	101	0.605 (0.593 to 0.617)	0.594 (0.582 to 0.606)
MTSS	platelets < 150 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L, leukocytes > 25 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L, KPS < 90%, HLA-mismatched unrelated donor, ASXL1 mutation, CALR-/MPL-unmutated genotype, age < 57 years	260	0.718 (0.710 to 0.726)	0.710 (0.701 to 0.719)
		101	0.701 (0.690 to 0.711)	0.690 (0.679 to 0.701)

# Transplant Riskscore (MTSS vs MIPSS 70 and DIPSS) after allogeneic stem cell transplantation

MTSS vs MIPSS70 (p=0.04)



MTSS vs DIPSS (p<0.001)





# Summary (1)

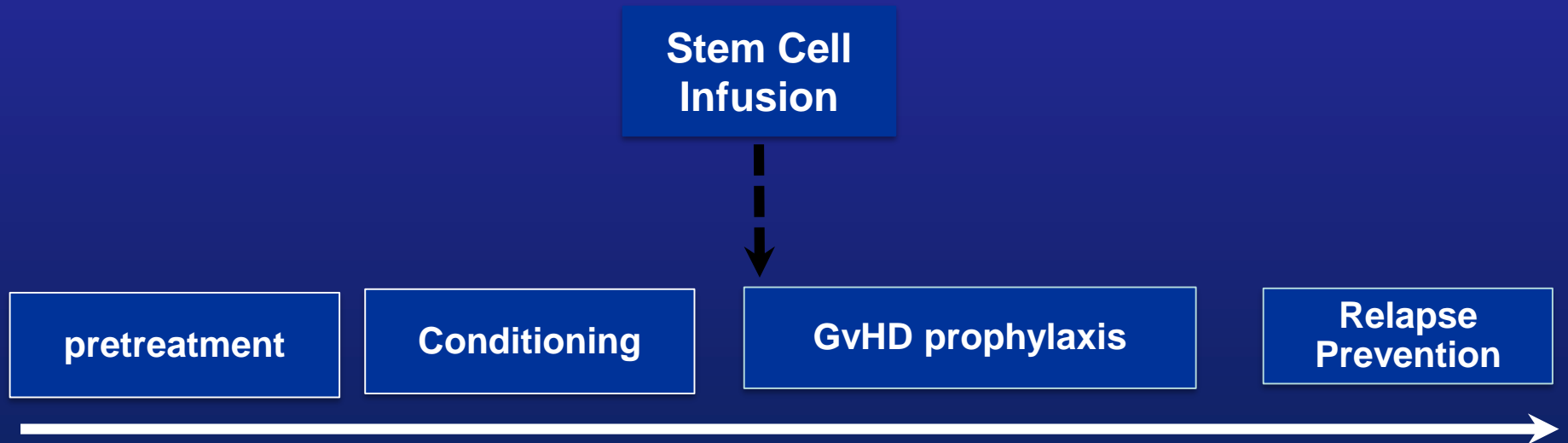
- 1. Allogeneic stem cell transplantation is currently the only curative treatment approach for PMF or post ET/PV MF**
- 2. Pts with transformed PV/ET or MF are candidates for allogeneic SCT**
- 3. According guidelines pts with PMF and DIPSS intermediate II and high risk are candidates for allogeneic SCT**
- 4. To balance the risk of therapy-related complication and potential cure a careful selection of patients with Disease specific and Transplant specific risk scores is needed**

# Allogeneic stem cell transplantation for Myelofibrosis

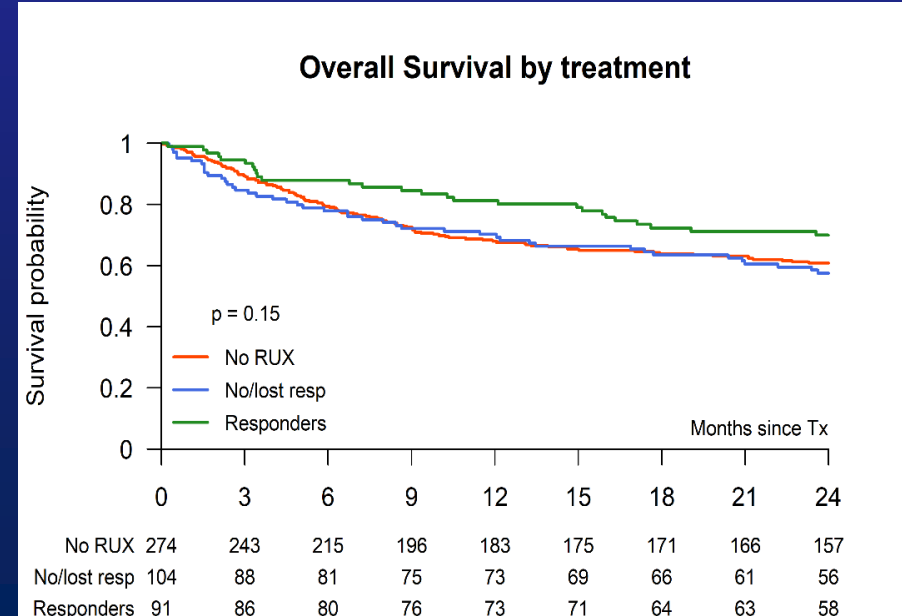
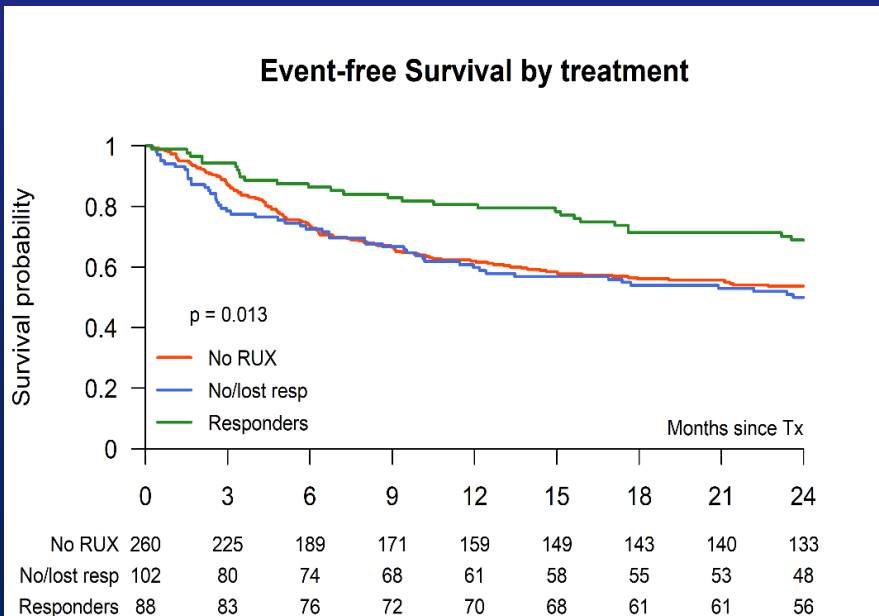
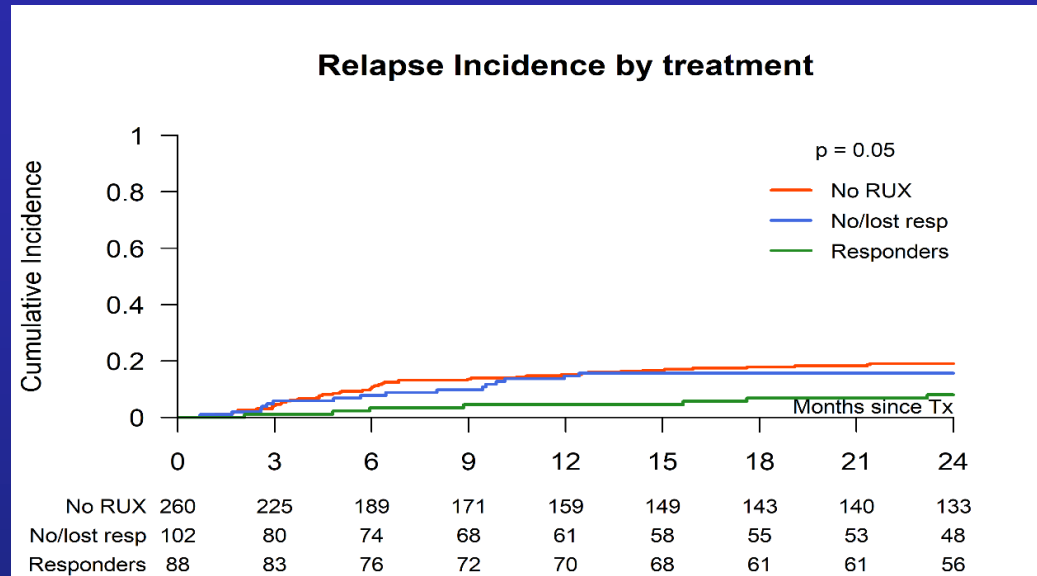
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How?

# Optimizing stem cell transplantation in myelofibrosis



# Ruxolitinib (n=277) vs no Ruxo (n=274) prior to allogeneic SCT (EBMT study)



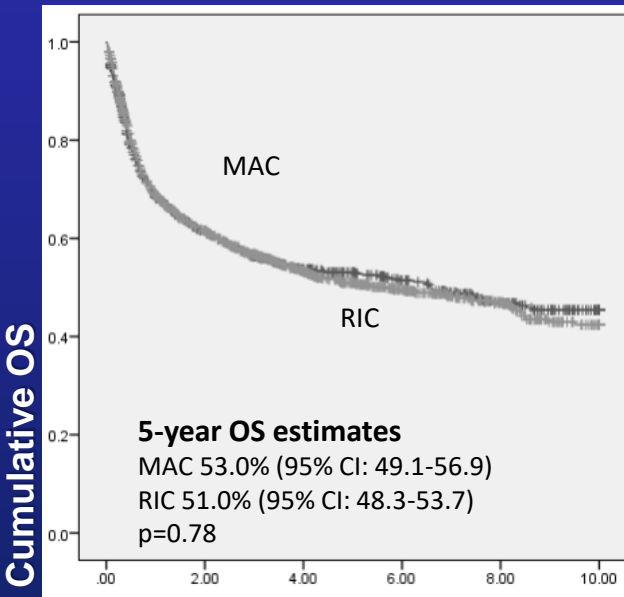
# Optimizing stem cell transplantation in myelofibrosis

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1. Pretreatment
2. Conditioning regimen

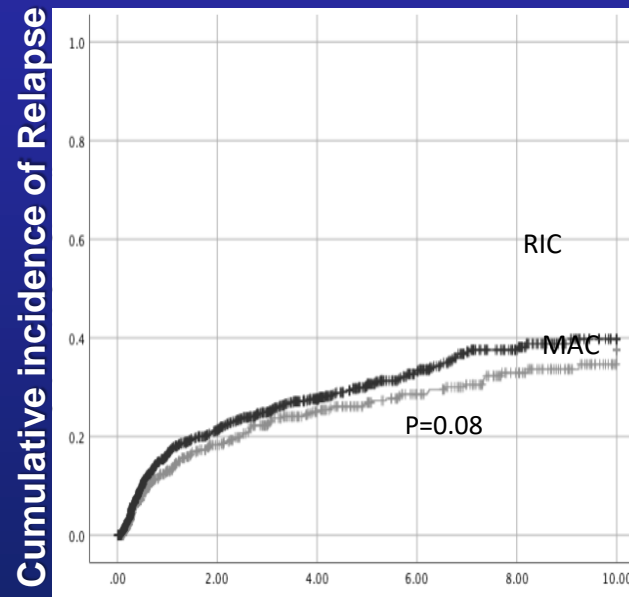
# Reduced Intensity vs Myeloablative Conditioning in Myelofibrosis: EBMT data

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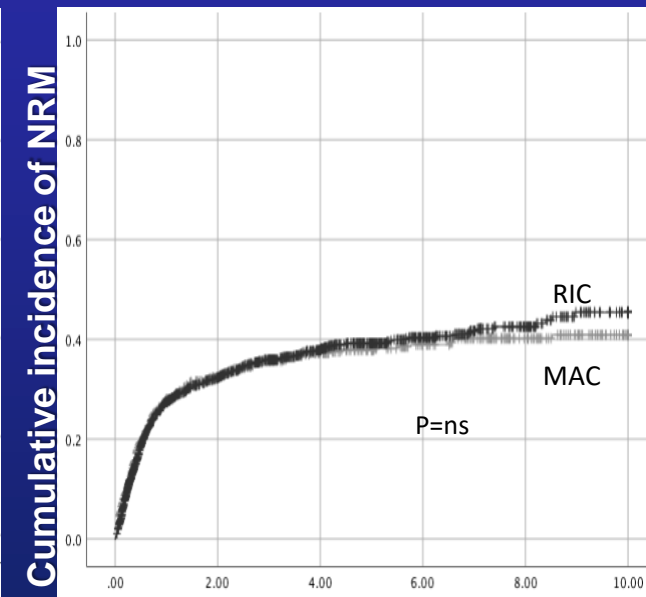
Years post  
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(b)



Years post allo-  
SCT

(c)



Years post  
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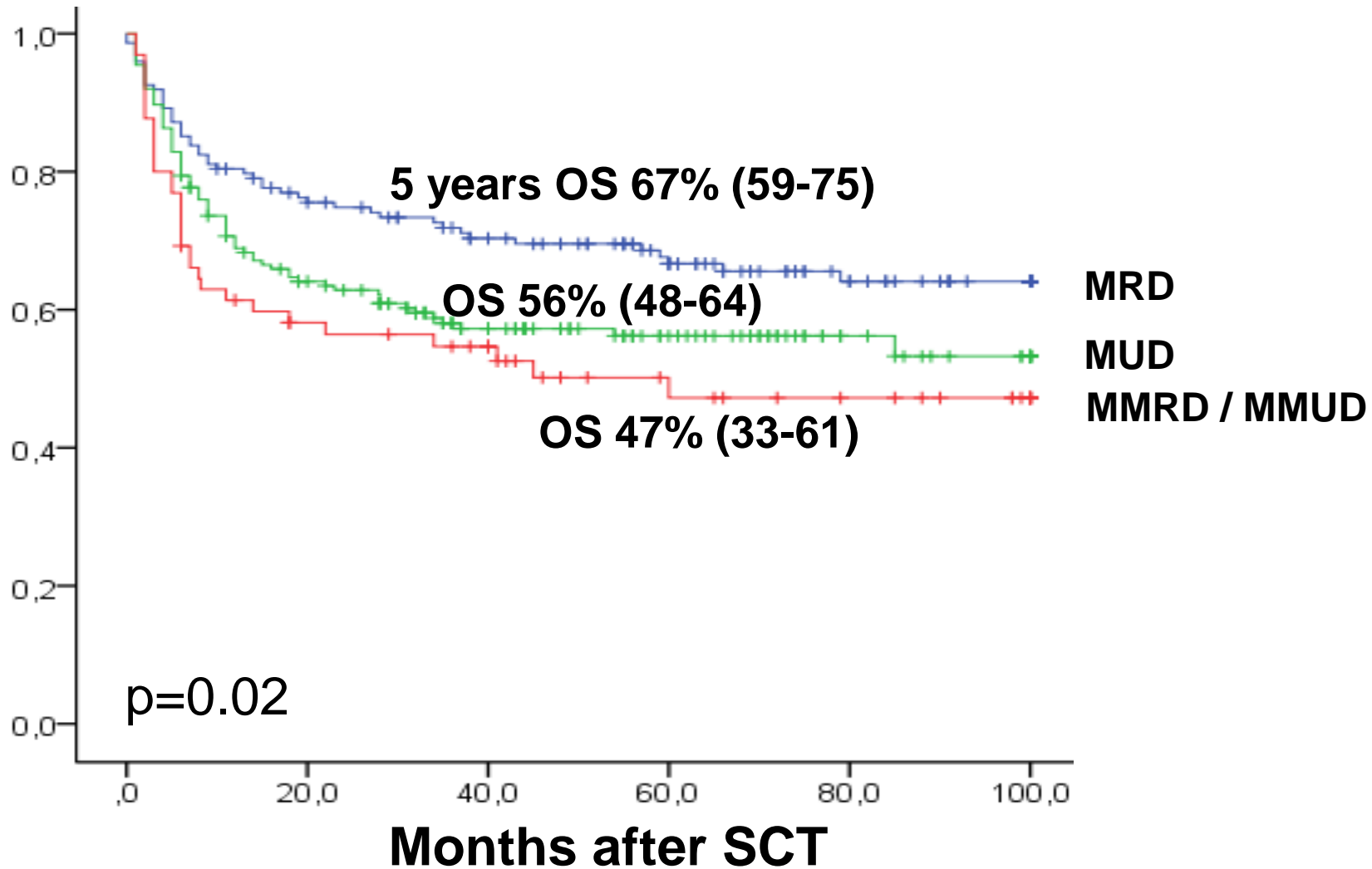
# Optimizing stem cell transplantation in myelofibrosis

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1. Pretreatment
2. Conditioning regimen
3. Donor source

# MRD vs MUD vs MMUD/MRD (n=388)

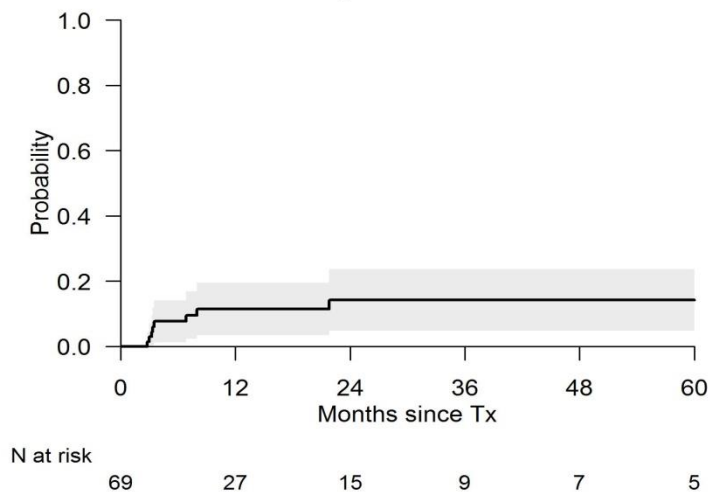
## Probability of overall survival



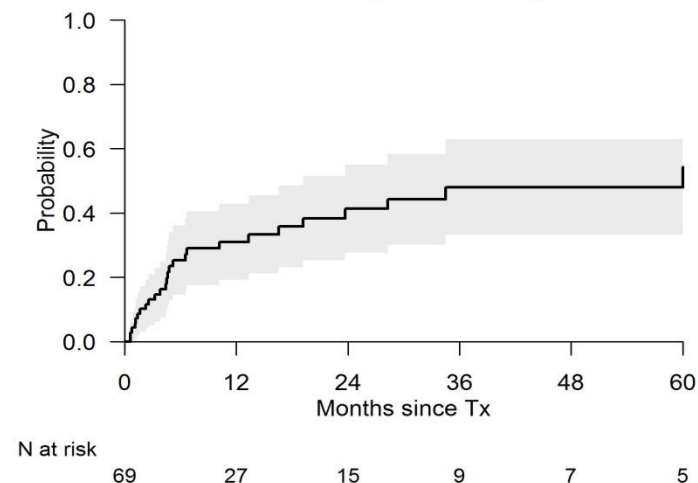


# Outcome of haploidentical SCT for Myelofibrosis within EBMT (n=69)

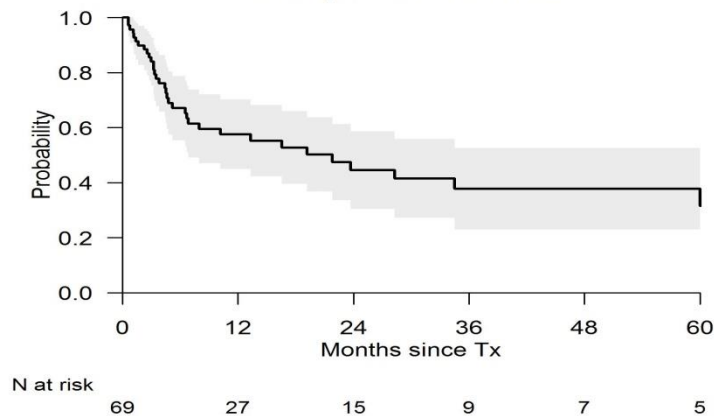
**Relapse incidence**



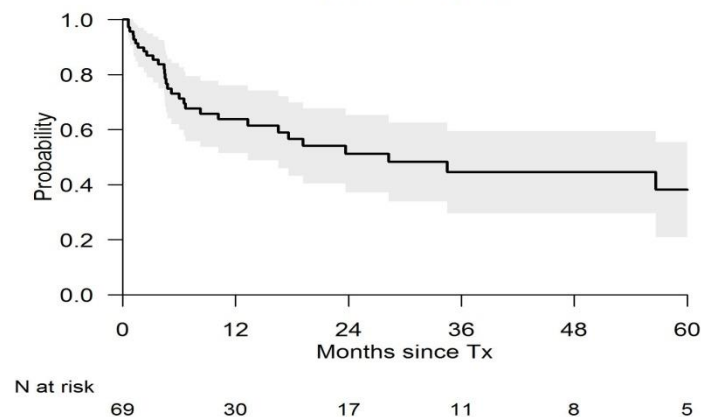
**Non-relapse mortality**



**Relapse-free survival**



**Overall survival**

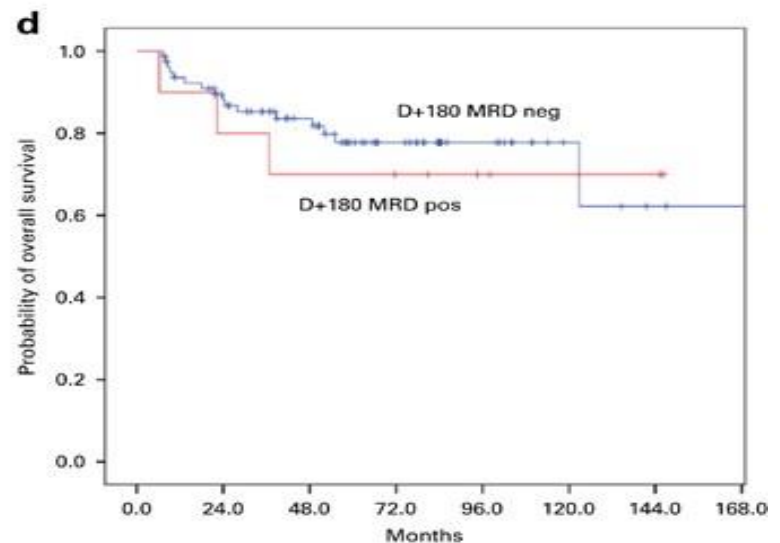
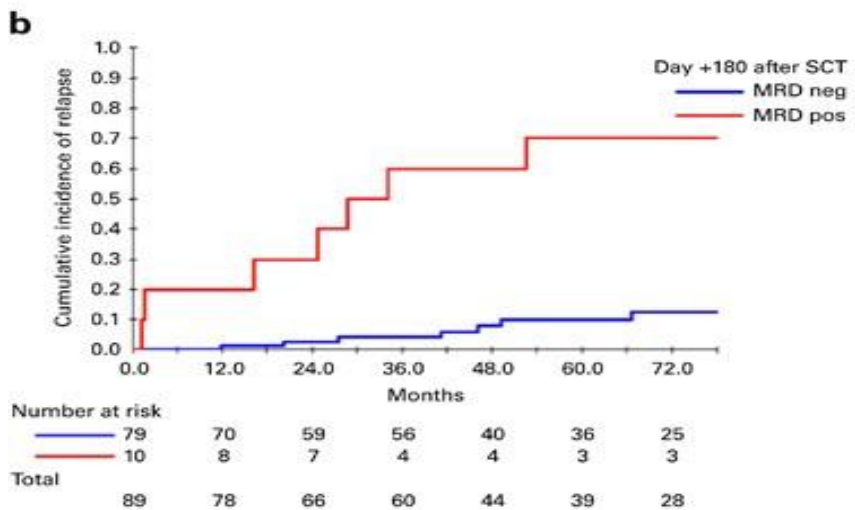
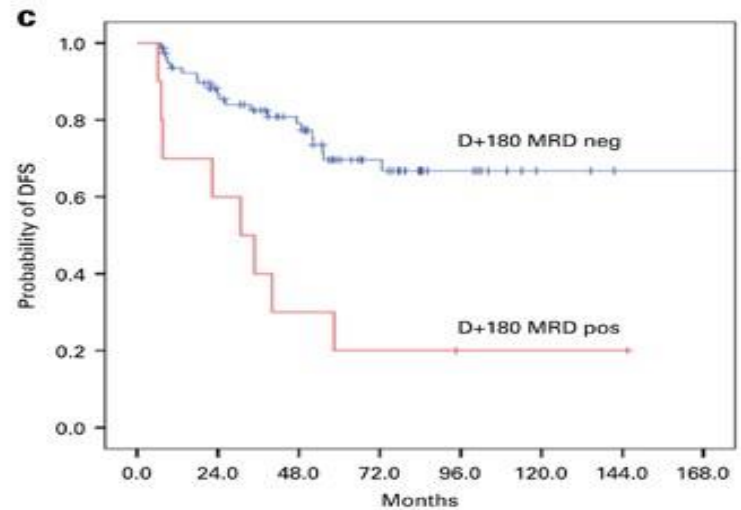
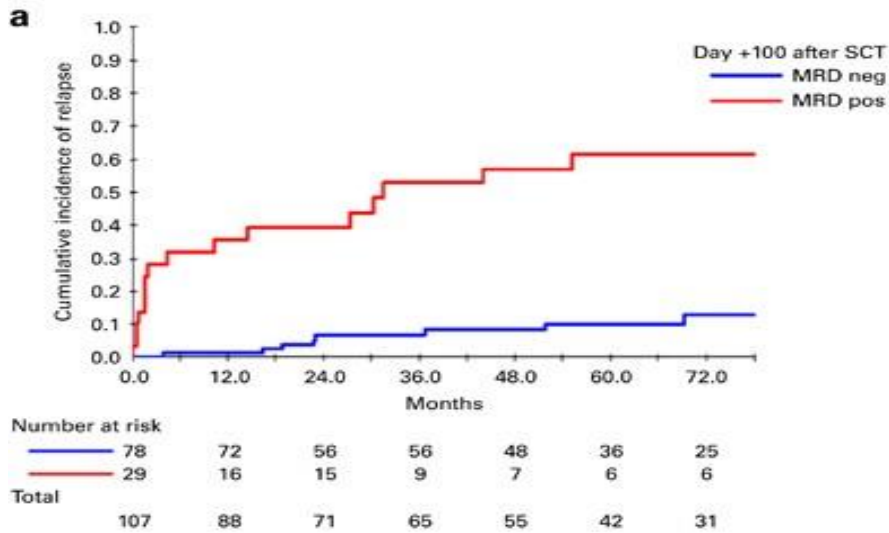


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2. Conditioning regimen
3. Donor source
4. Relapse prevention

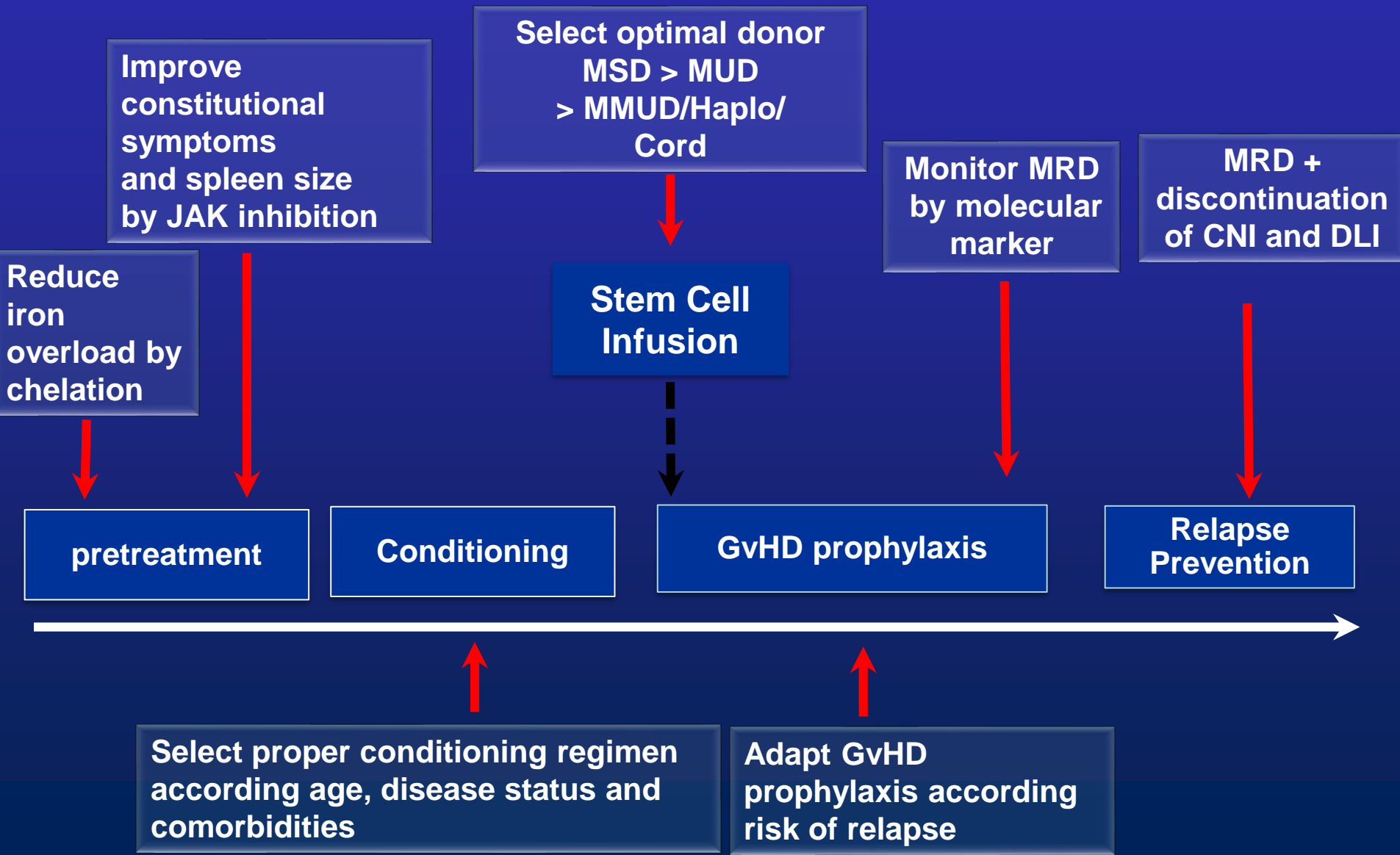
# Detection of JAK2/CALR or MPL post transplant (day 180)



# JAK2 monitoring after DLI for MRD or relapse after allo SCT for Myelofibrosis

	<i>Molecular response</i>	<i>Acute GvHD II/IV</i>	<i>Median number of DLIs to achieve CR</i>
<b>Salvage DLI (n = 9)</b>	<b>44 % CR</b>	<b>22 %</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Pre-emptive DLI (n = 7)</b>	<b>100 % CR</b>	<b>0 %</b>	<b>1</b>

# Summary :Optimizing stem cell transplantation in myelofibrosis





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