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# Progetto Ematologia Romagna

## *Il sarcoma mieloide: l'approccio terapeutico*

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# Myeloid sarcoma: therapeutic approach

Surgery

Systemic

Chemotherapy

Therapeutic  
dilemmas

Localized

Radiotherapy



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• Chloroma

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CHLOROMA AND ITS RELATION TO LEUKÆMIA.  
By GEORGE DOCK, M.D.,  
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• Granulocytic sarcoma

- Rappaport H. «Tumor of the ... Fascicle 8. Armed Forces ...
- Laslo J and Grode H.E. «Gran ... April 1967

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- FAB classification (1970)
- WHO classification 2001: included
- WHO classification 2008: separate

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## Epidemiology

- **De novo**
  - AML, myeloproliferative neoplasm, myelodysplastic syndrome
- **Secondary**
  - especially in patients following allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant (5-12%)
- **2.5-9.1% AML: concomitant, following, preceding (isolated myeloid sarcoma: 1%)**
  - Retrospective data
  - Physical examination, autopsy series
- **Soft tissues, skin, bones and lymph nodes**
  - genitourinary system, gastrointestinal tract, heart, orbit and central nervous system



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## Diagnostic work up

- **Cytogenetic analysis**
  - **50%** multiple chromosomal alterations
  - **t(8;21)(q22;q22), inv(16), 11q23, t(9;11), t(8;16), t(8;17); t(1;11)**, trisomies 4,8,11, monosomy 7, deletions 5q, 16q, 20q;
  - **Complex karyotype:**
    - **17%** isolated myeloid sarcoma
    - **39%** myeloid sarcoma arising in AML setting
  - Correlation with **localization:**
    - inv(16) associated with involvement of **small intestine**
    - t(8;21) associated with **orbital sarcoma** in pediatric population
- Conventional cytogenetic studies on bone marrow, peripheral blasts and on **freshly obtained myeloid sarcoma cells.**



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## Treatment

- **No consensus on treatment of myeloid sarcoma**
  - Rarity of disease lack of randomized controlled studies
- Treatment with **AML protocols** is the most reasonable approach
  - All patients with myeloid sarcoma eventually develop AML



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# Diagnosis and management of acute myeloid leukemia in adults: recommendations from an international expert panel, on behalf of the European LeukemiaNet

### 12.3 Myeloid sarcoma

Myeloid sarcoma occurring de novo should be considered as AML and treated as such. Data on the prognostic impact of myeloid sarcoma are limited. Whereas some studies reported a negative impact in selected subgroups,<sup>269,270</sup> others suggest that outcome of patients with myeloid sarcoma after conventional chemotherapy or allogeneic HSCT may not be inferior.<sup>271,272</sup> Involved field radiation therapy may be considered to enhance local tumor control.

- **Site of the tumor** (skin, CNS, others)
- **Timing** of myeloid sarcoma (upfront, relapse after chemo, relapse after alloSCT)
- **Patient-related** characteristic (age, PS, comorbidities)





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## Treatment



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# MS is associated with superior EFS and OS

Tsimberidou A.M. et al Cancer 113 (2008): 1370-1378

## Treatment

- **Retrospective study on 23 MS patients**
  - From 1990 to 2004
  - MS localization:
    - **Skin** (n=10)
    - **Lymph-node** (n=5)
    - **Dura** (n=2)
    - Breast+ skin (n=1)
    - Bladder (n=1)
    - Gynecologic tract (n=1)
    - Pleura and chest wall (n=1)
  - **16/23 treated with araC plus ida/fluda**
  - 2/23 surgical only
  - 5/23 unknown

	MS n=23 (%)	AML n=1720 (%)
Age		
▪ Median	57	60
▪ Range	7-81	14-89
Cytogenetics		
• inv(16) or t(8;21)	2 (9)	138 (8)
• Normal	11(48)	640 (37)
• +8	6 (28)	127 (7)
• -5,-7	1 (4)	372 (22)
• Abn 11q23 or other	3 (11)	358 (21)
• na	0 (0)	85 (5)
CR after 1 <sup>^</sup> cycle	<b>69</b>	<b>57</b>

p=0.45

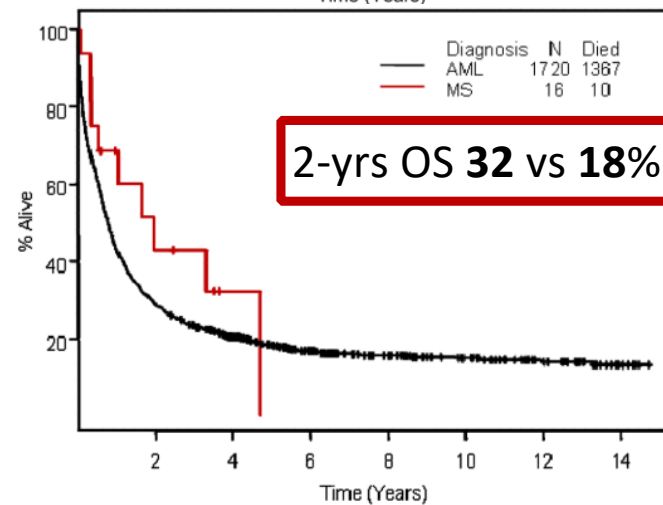
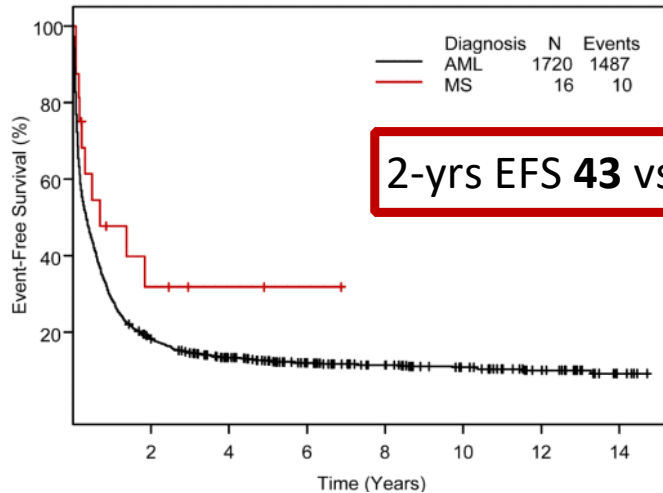
**4/23 SM cytogenetic: 12p- (n=1); complex (n=2); 8q-(n=1)**  
**19/23 BM cytogenetic: normal (n=11); +8 (n=5); -7 (n=1)**  
**inv(16) (n=2)**



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	MS n=23 (%)	AML n=1720 (%)
<b>Post remission therapy</b>		
▪ Chemotherapy	64	58
▪ alloSCT	0	1
▪ None	24	0
▪ other	8	10
<b>1<sup>^</sup> relapse therapy</b>		
• Chemotherapy	75	68
• alloSCT	0	9
• Other	25	32

### Multivariate analysis EFS and OS:

- ✓ High risk cytogenetics
- ✓ Poor PS
- ✓ AHD
- ✓ Higher leukocyte

**MS vs AML was not a significant factor**

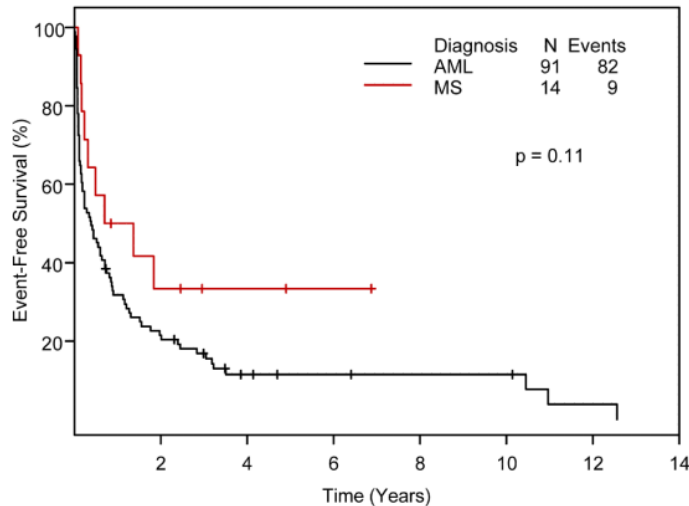


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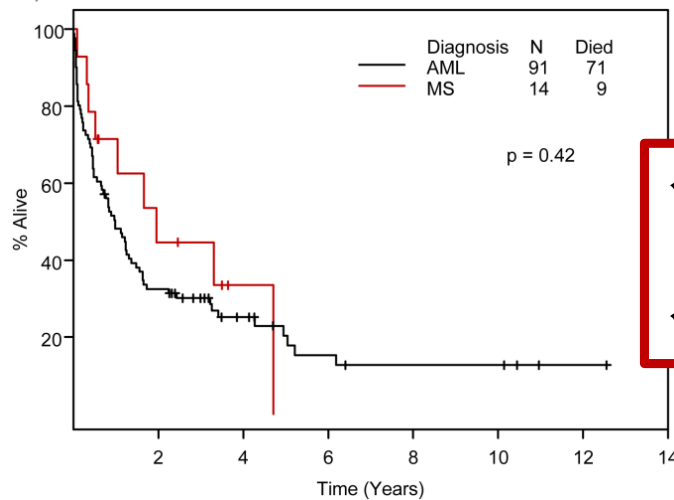
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### Pair matches analysis:

- Cytogenetic
- Age
- PS
- Time of treatment (1990-1997 and 1998-2007)
- ✓ **91 AML patients** identify to produce 94 matches



- ✓ EFS longer in **56** MS pair-mates, shorter in **26** and similar in **11** patients
- ✓ OS similar results



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# Clinical outcome of MS in adult patient

Lazzarotto et al Leuk Res 53 (2017): 74-81

## Treatment

- **Retrospective study on 48 MS patients**
  - From 2005 to 2015
  - MS localization
    - Lymph nodes (**46%**)
    - Skin (**27%**)
    - Soft tissue (**21%**)

### Patients' Characteristics (48 pts)

Sex M/F	26/22	
Median Age (range)	46	(15-82)
<b>MS SUBTYPE</b>	<b>N°</b>	<b>%</b>
<i>de novo extramedullary MS</i>	9	19%
<i>de novo AML-related MS</i>	24	50%
<i>secondary AML-related MS</i>	15	31%
<b>KARYOTYPE (available in 32/48)</b>	<b>N°</b>	<b>%</b>
normal	14	44%
complex	7	22%
t(8;21), inv(16) or t(16;16)	5	15%
trisomy 8, other	6	19%
<b>MOLECULAR BIOLOGY (available in 32/48)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>N°</b>	<b>%</b>
no alterations	13	41%
NPM1	8	25%
FLT3-ITD or D835	10	31%
AML1-ETO or CBFbeta-MYH11	7	22%
CEBPA, ETV6-MLL or JAK2	1	3%



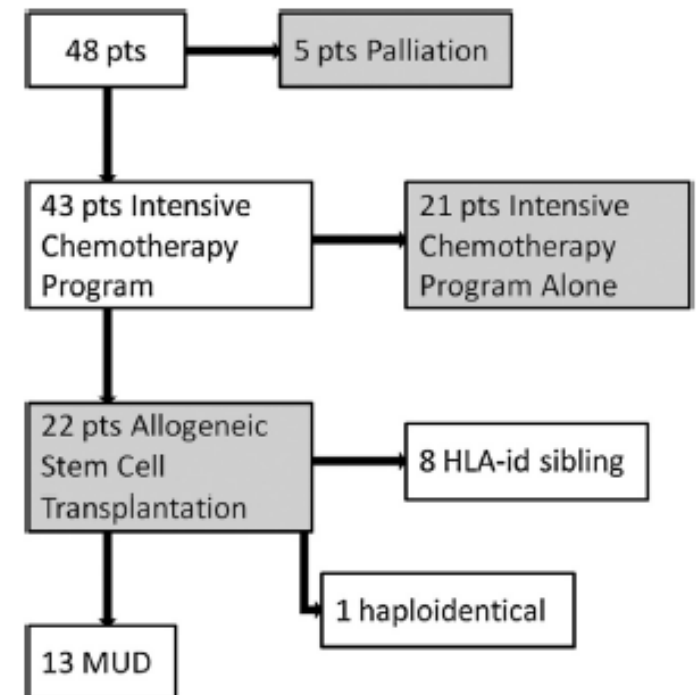
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- **43/48 (90%) intensive chemotherapy**
  - FLAI, MEC, ICE, IDA/HDAC, HyperCVAD
  - 3/43 death (2 induction, 1 consolidation)
  - 13/43 (**30%**) plus **radiation therapy**
- Median of **2.5** cycles (range 1-5)
- **18/40 (45%) CR**
  - 22/40 no CR → **2/22 (9%) CR** from EM involved site
- **22/43 (51%) alloSCT**
  - 13 CR, 9 active disease
- **9 de novo MS**
  - 7 (78%) intensive treatment with CR rate **71%**
  - 3 (43%) alloSCT



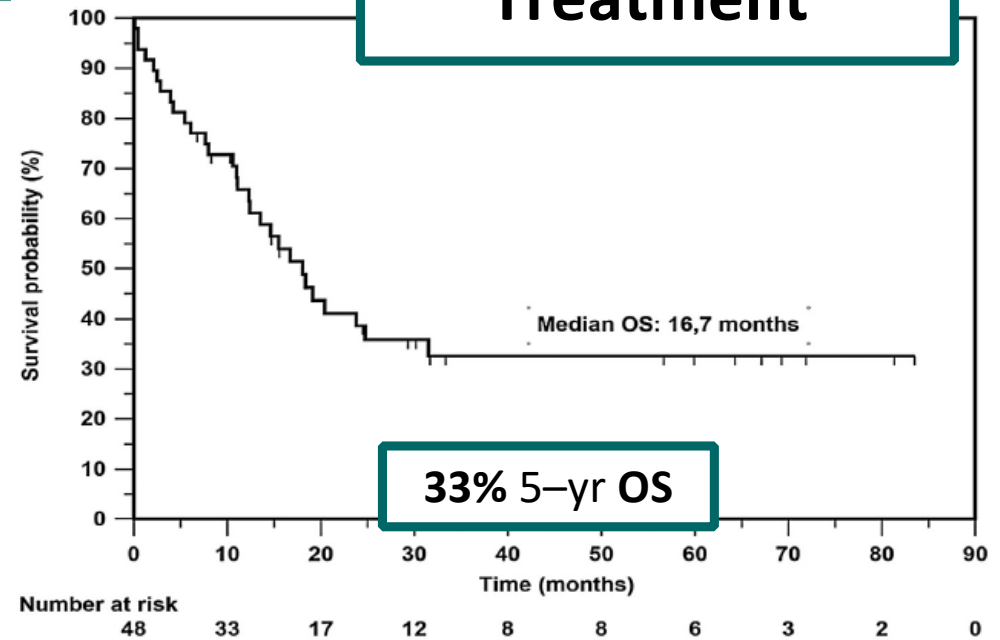
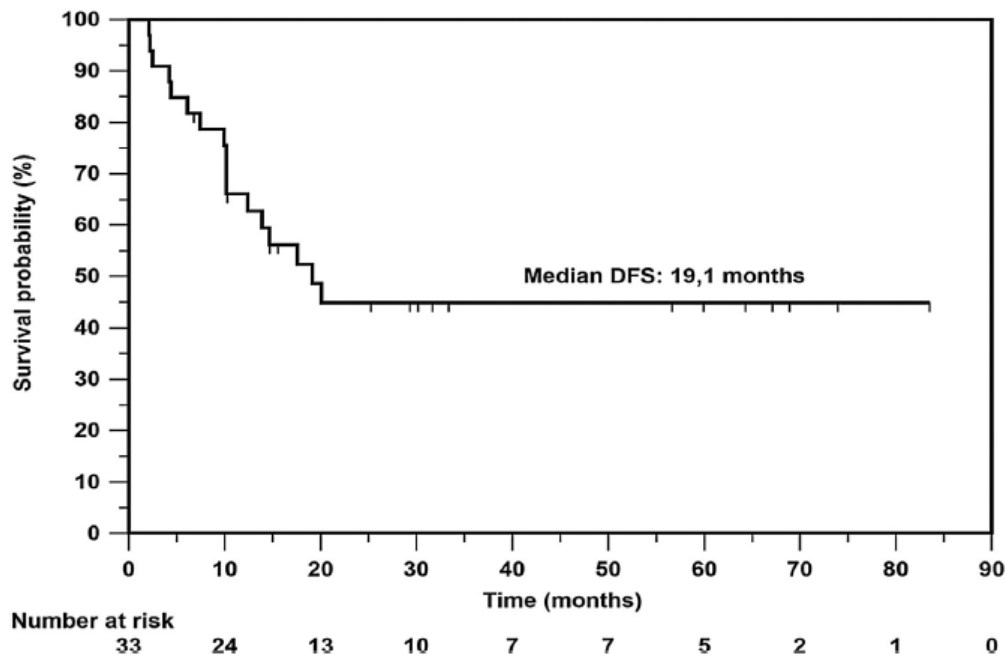


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- **Median follow-up: 15 months (1-83.5)**
  - 19/48 (40%) alive (75% CR)
  - 29/48 (60%) died (69% disease; 31% other)



**Treatment**



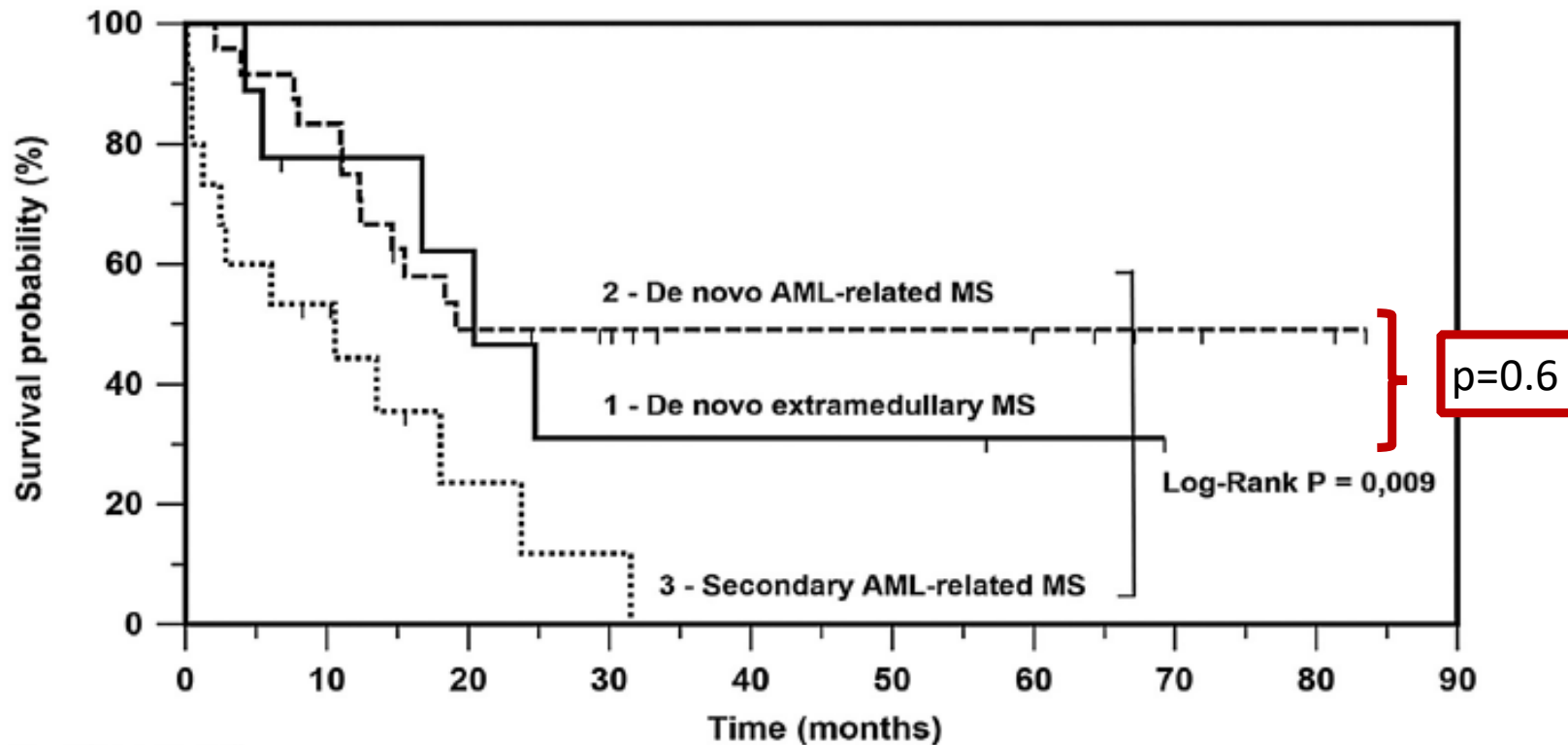
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- No significant differences in OS between de novo AML-related MS and de novo extramedullary MS







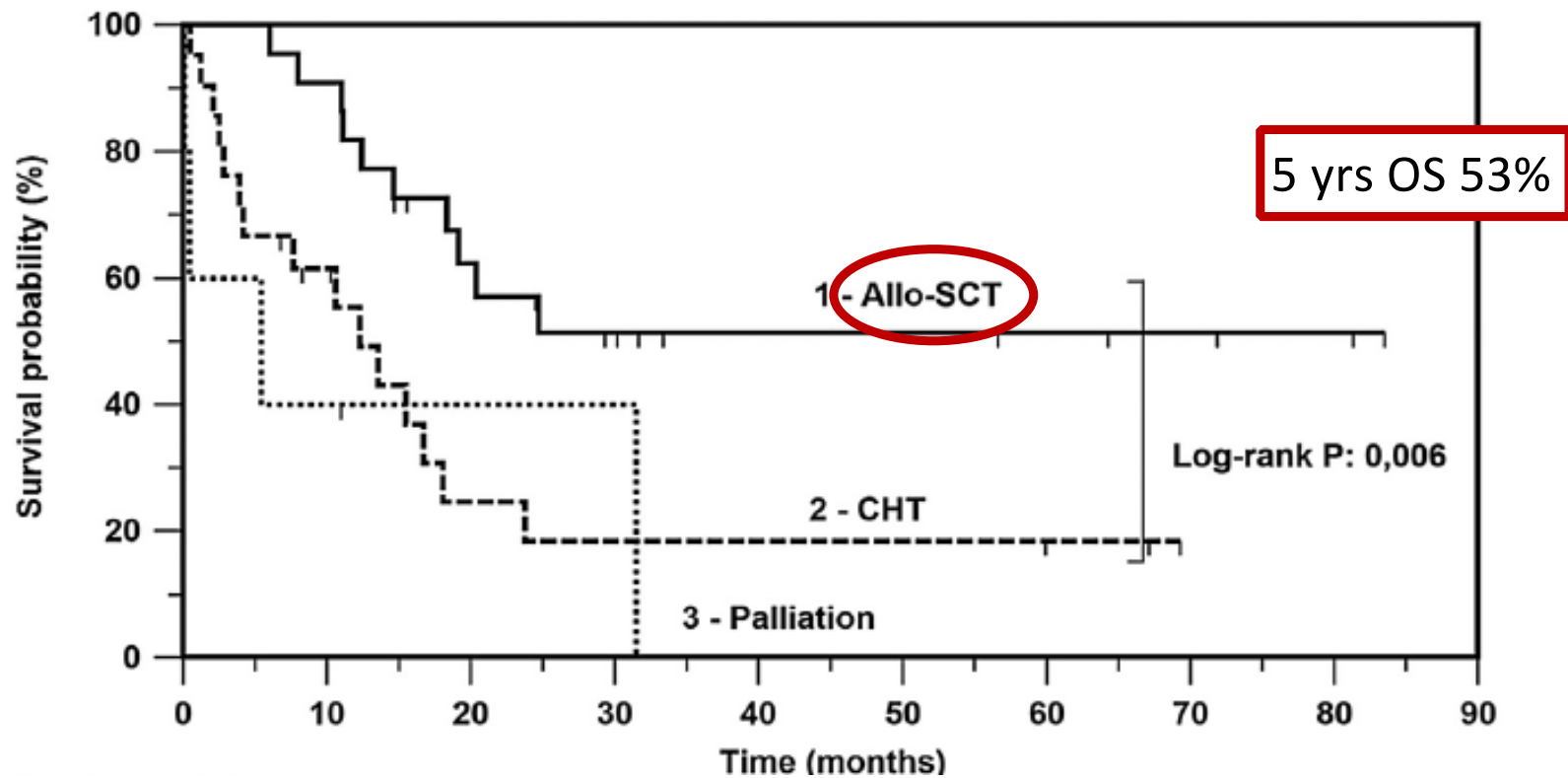
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- Intensively treated patients with or without allo SCT had a better OS (18 vs 5 months).



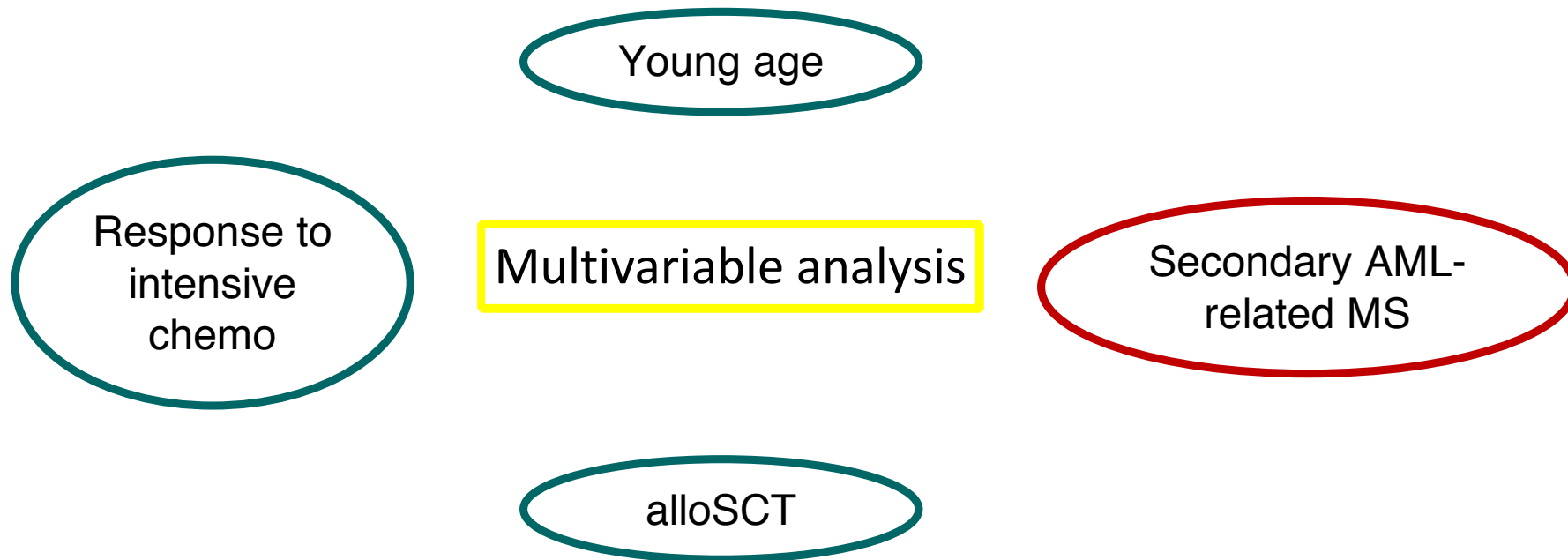


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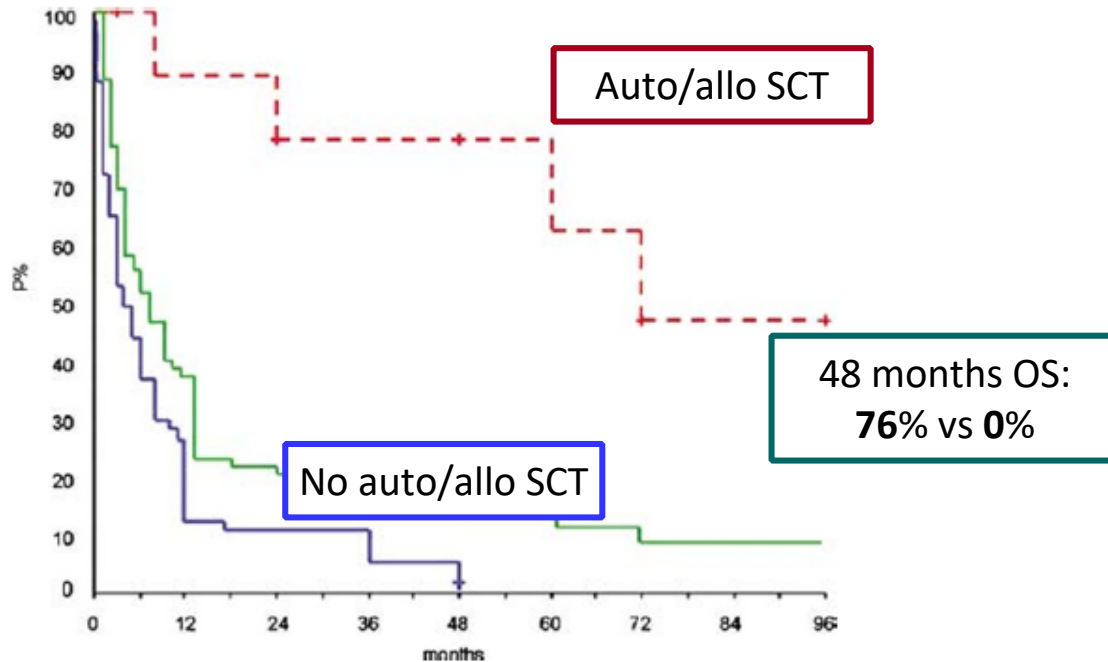


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# MS: clinico-pathologic, phenotypic and cytogenetics analysis of 92 adult patients

Pileri S. et al. Leukemia 2007;21:340-350.

## Treatment



	n=92
<b>M/F</b>	1.42/1
<b>Median age (range)</b>	55.8 (16-87)
<b>Isolated MS (%)</b>	<b>25 (27)</b>
<b>Sincronous MS (%)</b>	<b>32 (35)</b>
• AML	26
• MPD	1
• MDS	5
<b>Antecedent hematological disease (%)</b>	<b>35 (38)</b>
• AML	12
• MPD	13
• MDS	1
• MS	9

67 patients with complete follow-up data. Median FU 150 months:

- **60 (89.5%)** died for the disease (8/60 CR after 1<sup>^</sup> line treatment)
- **7 (10.5%)** alive in **CR** (100% CR after 1<sup>^</sup> line treatment)
- **6/7 alloSCT**



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# AlloSCT for isolated and leukemic MS

Chevallier P et al Haematologica 2011;96(9).

## Treatment

- Retrospective study on 99 MS patients reported on EBMT registry between 01/1991 and 06/2009

	Isolated MS n=30 (%)	Leukemic MS n=69 (%)	
<b>Median age</b>	40 (18-69)	39 (18-69)	p=0.65
<b>Median year of transplant</b>	2005 (1991-2009)	2003 (1991-2009)	p=0.03
<b>Cytogenetic</b>			
Favorable	3 (21%)	13 (22%)	p=0.36
Intermediate	9 (64%)	39 (65%)	
High risk	2 (14%)	8 (13%)	
Missing data	16	9	
<b>Status at transplant</b>			
<b>1<sup>^</sup> CR</b>	14 (47%)	38 (55%)	p=0.99
<b>2<sup>^</sup> CR or beyond</b>	7 (23%)	21 (30%)	
<b>Advance disease</b>	9 (30%)	10 (15%)	
Primary refractory	5	5	
1 <sup>^</sup> relapse	4	5	



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Outcomes	Overall cohort n=99	Isolated myeloid sarcoma n=30	Leukemic myeloid sarcoma n=69	P*
5-year OS	48±6% Median: 39 months	33±13%	51±7%	0.63
5-year LFS Overall	36±5% Median: 17 months	30±9%	37±6%	0.45
5-year CI of relapse	40±4%	45±10%	38±6%	0.64
5-year CI of NRM	19±4%	17±5%	19±7%	0.76

**Similar outcome** comparing isolated and leukemic myeloid sarcoma

Multivariate analysis:

- **CR** status at transplant associated with **improved LFS**
- **High risk cytogenetics** associated with **reduced LFS**

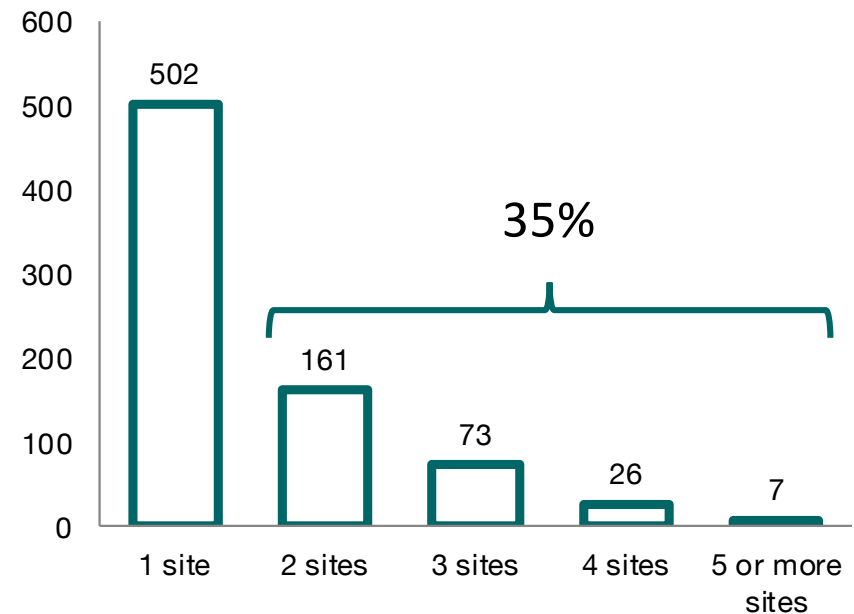
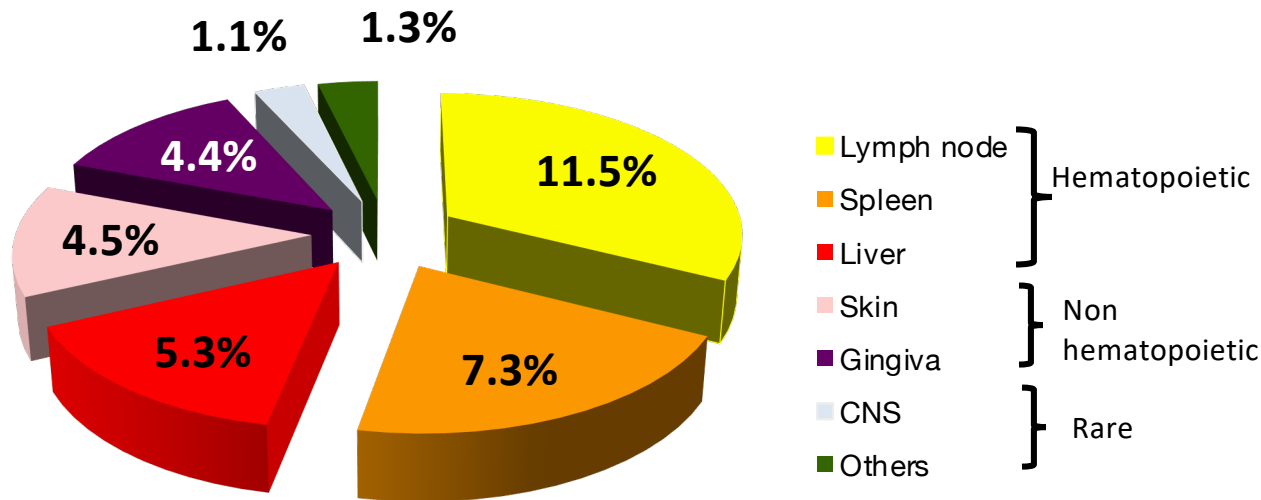


# Extramedullary disease in AML is common BUT lacks independent significance

Ganzel C. et al J Clin Oncol 2016;34(29):3544-3553

## Treatment

- **Retrospective** study on **3522 newly diagnosed AML** patients (age > 15 yrs) evaluated from 1980 to 2008 in **11** ECOG-ACRIN clinical trials
- **Extramedullary** incidence **23.7%** (769/3240 enrolled patients)





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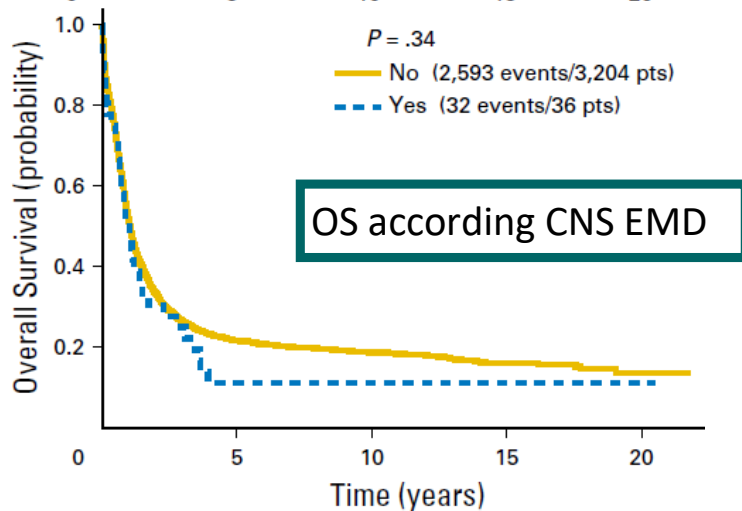
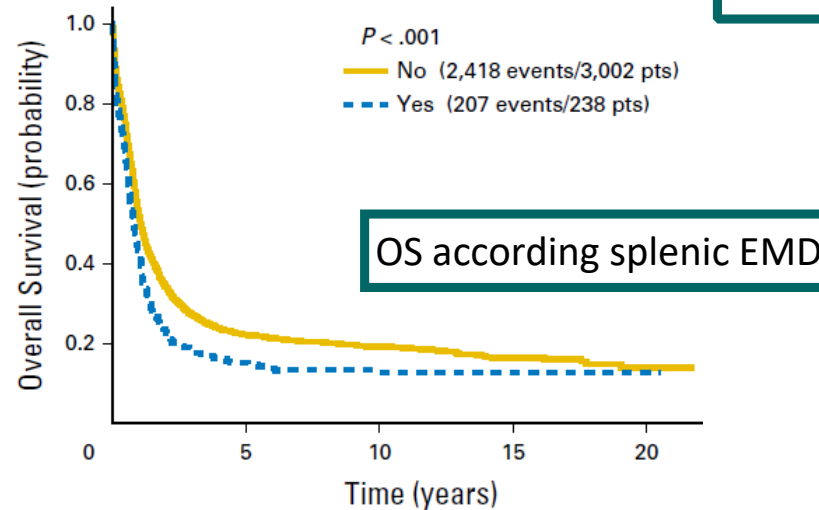
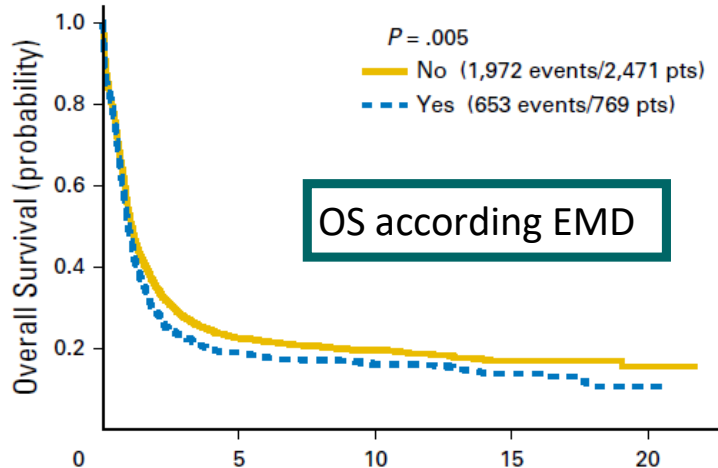
	AML with EMD n=769 (%)	AML without EMD n=2472 (%)	
Median age (years)	45.7	52.9	p<0.001
Male Sex	445 (57.9)	1284 (52)	p=0.006
PS ECOG 0-1	585 (76.4)	2108 (86)	P<0.001
WBC count (median/ $\mu$ L)	41.6/ $\mu$ L	10.2/ $\mu$ L	P<0.001
FAB M4/M5 (%)	39/15.9	26/6.8	P<0.001
CR rate (%)	59	60	p=ns
alloSCT	93 (14.7)	353 (18)	p=0.07



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### Univariable analysis:

- **EMD** associated with a shorter OS
- **Skin** ( $p=0.002$ ), **spleen** ( $p<0.001$ ) and **liver** ( $p<0.001$ ) BUT NOT CNS ( $p=0.34$ ), nodal and gingival involvement associated with **shorter OS**





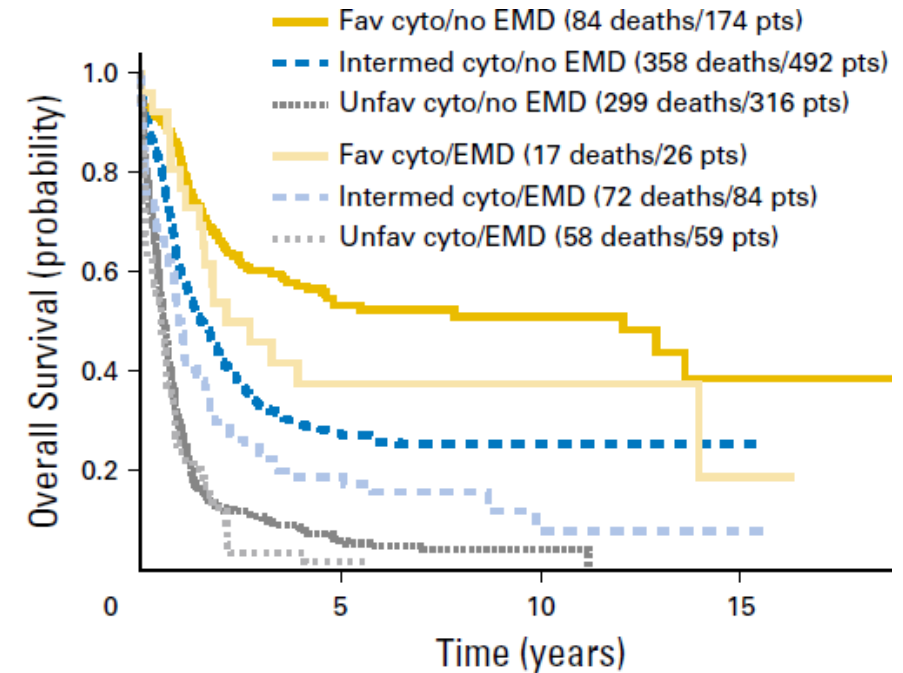
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- **Multivariable analysis:** factors associated with **shorter OS**

- Earlier year of registration
- Older age
- High WBC count
- Low PLTs count
- Worse PS
- High risk cytogenetic status
- No CR



- **Favorable cytogenetic risk:** median OS **32.9** (with EMD) versus **94.2** months (without EMD)



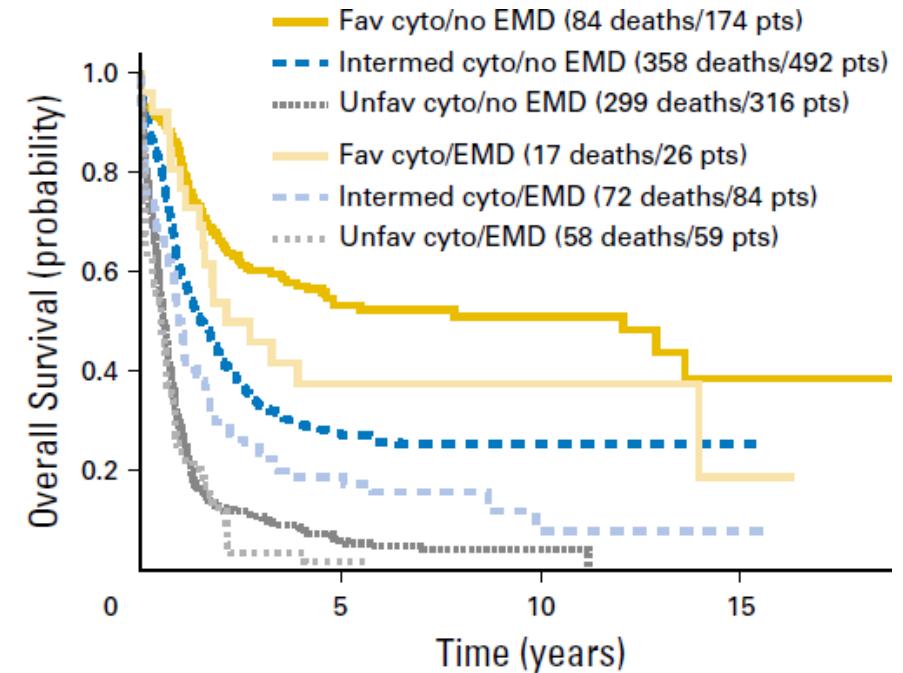
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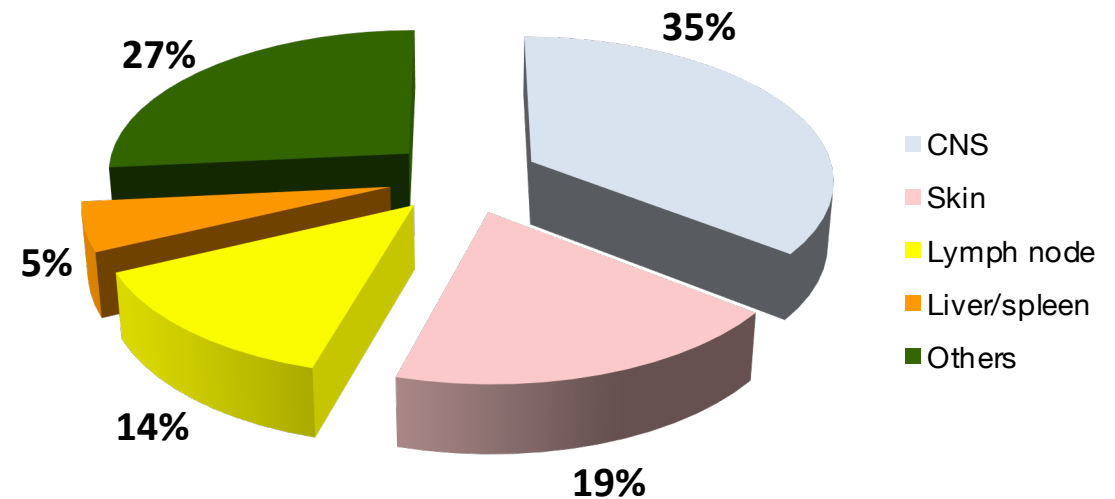


# Allo SCT for AML: no impact of pre-transplant extramedullary disease

Goyal S.D. et al . Bone Marrow Transplant. 2015;50(8):1057-1062

## Treatment

- **Observational retrospective** study by CIBMTR on **9797 AML** patients (age 18-70 yrs) undergone alloSCT from 1995 to 2010 in 310 reporting center and 44 different countries
- **814** with EMD prior to SCT (**EMD group**)
- **8983** without EMD prior to SCT (no EMD group)





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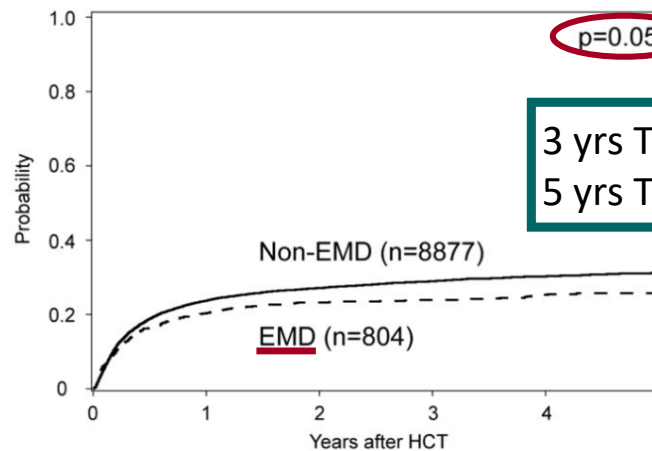
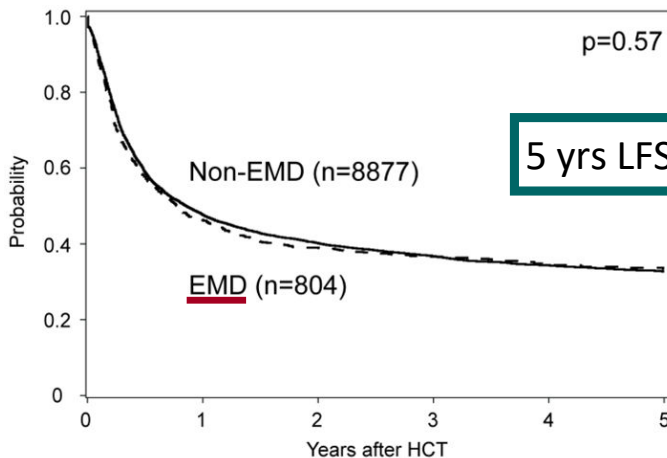
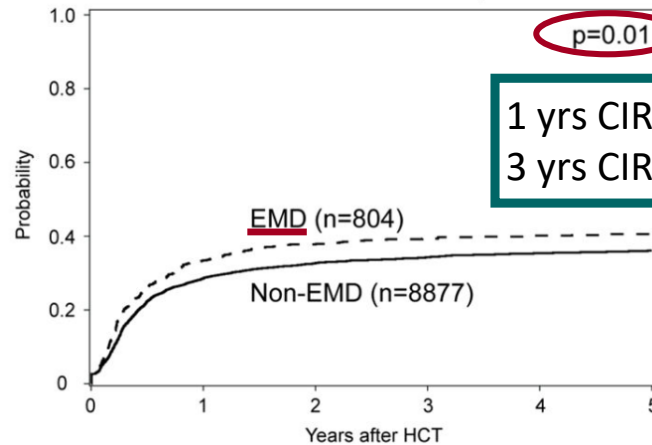
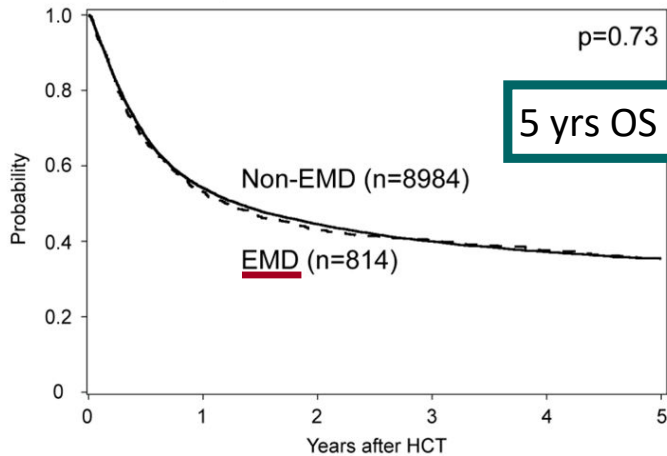
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<b>Median age (years)</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>46</b>	p<0.001
<b>WBC count (median/<math>\mu</math>L)</b>	<b>22/<math>\mu</math>L</b>	<b>9/<math>\mu</math>L</b>	P<0.001
<b>FAB M4/M5 (%)</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>29</b>	P<0.001
<b>Disease status at transplant</b>			
Primary induction failure	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	
1 <sup>^</sup> CR	<b>37</b>	<b>49</b>	P<0.001
2 <sup>^</sup> CR or more	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	
Active relapse	<b>24</b>	<b>17</b>	
<b>Duration of 1<sup>^</sup>CR in CR2 alloSCT</b>	<b>9 months</b>	<b>11 months</b>	P<0.001
1 <sup>^</sup> CR < 6 months	<b>32</b>	<b>19</b>	
<b>MAC/plus TBI</b>	<b>82/47</b>	<b>75/35</b>	P<0.001



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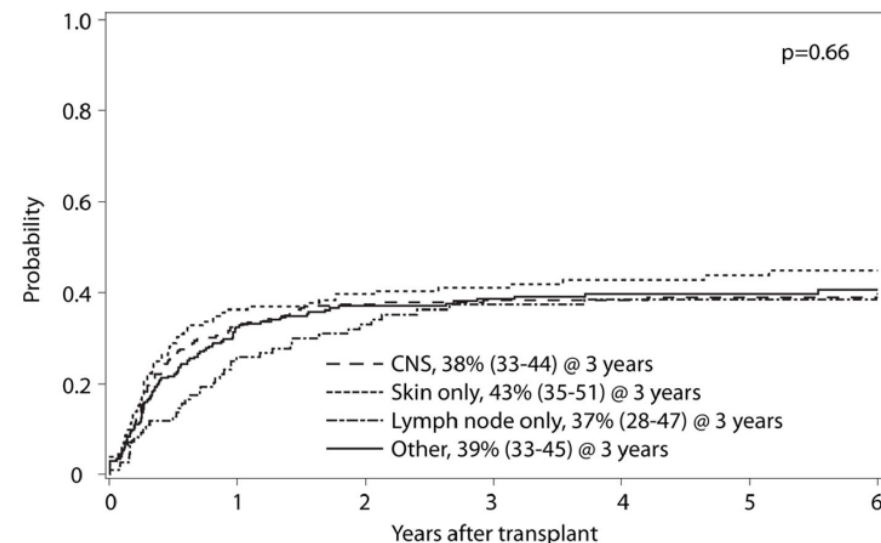
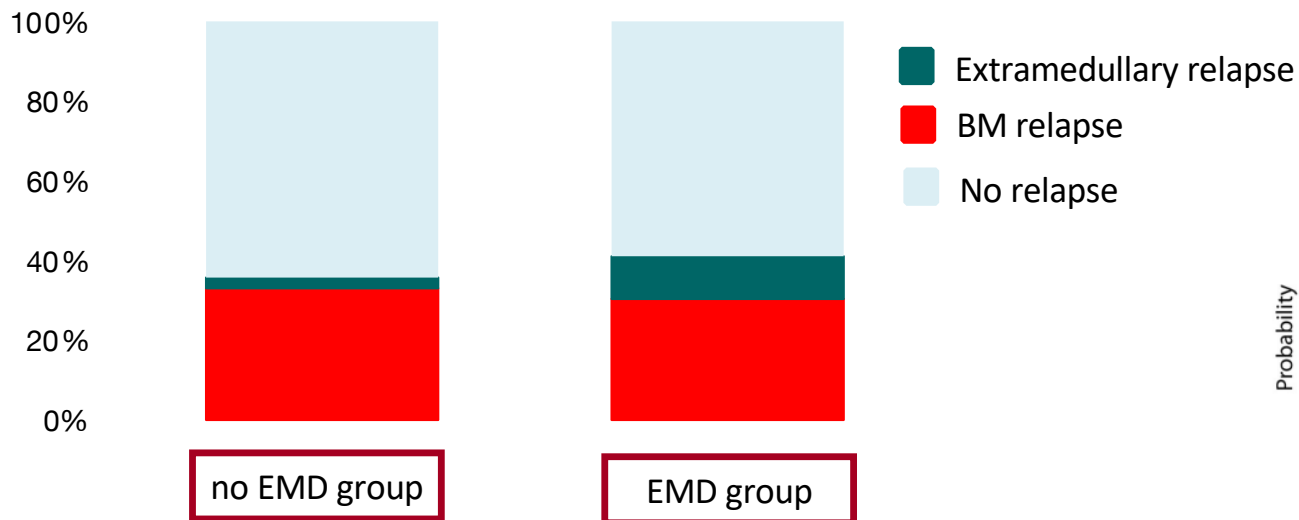




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### Multivariate analysis:

- **EMD** did **not** affect neither **OS** nor **LFS**
- **TRM** and **RR** failed to retain their significance

No significant differences in the rate of relapse or OS based on by site of EMD



## Treatment

- Isolated MS with **inadequate response** to chemotherapy
- **Isolated relapse** after allo-SCT
- **Palliation** of symptomatic vital structure compression
- Low-dose RT regimen (24 Gy in 12 fractions) not preclude TBI



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## Take home message

- Myeloid sarcoma is a **systemic disease** even if isolated
- **AML type chemotherapy** is the standard of care
- **Post remission therapy controversial** (alloSCT according to risk profile)
- Large **prospective trials** and better **biologic disease characterization** are needed to identify the **best therapeutic approach** hopefully with target therapy



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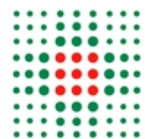
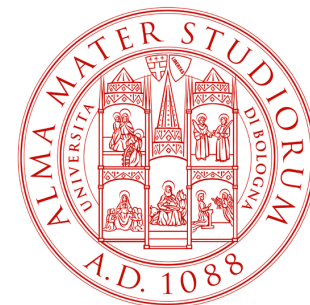
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