

Arsenic Trioxide (ATO) and ATRA with Limited Chemotherapy (CT) in Newly Diagnosed Standard Risk APL in the Elderly. a Report By the French Belgian Swiss APL Group (APL 2006 trial)

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Introduction

- In the elderly, the treatment of APL with conventional ATRA-anthracycline based CT regimens is associated with :
 - A relatively high early death rate
 - Limited number of relapses
 - and a high rate of deaths in CR (21% in our experience)

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Introduction

ATO-ATRA is highly effective in newly diagnosed standard risk younger APL



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Introduction

- We present results of APL 2006 trial —where we combined ATO to ATRA
 - and reduced CT
 - in patients aged older than 70 years
 - with standard risk APL (WBC <10G/L)</p>

Inclusion criteria

- Newly diagnosed APL patients
 Subsequently confirmed by
 - Conventional cytogenetic
 - And/or presence of PML-RARA transcript
- >70 years
- WBC count < 10 G/L
- No contra-indication to ICT or ATO

Analysis

- Inclusion period: 2006 to 2015
- Analysis :
 - made at the reference date of 1st Jan 2016
 - In 124 pts aged > 70 years included in 43 centers
- With a median Follow-up of 44 months





Patient characteristics

Median [Q1-Q3]	N=124
	73.5
Age (y)	[71.8; 77.9]
WBC (G/L)	1.1
	[0.8; 1.8]
Platelets(G/L)	44.0
	[22.5; 87.5]
Fibrinogen (g/l)	2.3
	[1.6; 3.3]
%M3v	5%
%Previous cancer	35%









Death in CR

Death in CR rate :

- 20% before Amendment
- 4% After Amendment

P=0.045

Causes of death in CR were :

- Sepsis
 - n=4 before amendment
 - n=2 after amendment
- Bleeding
 - n=5 before amendment
 - n=1 after amendment
- Other cause (n=2)



Cumulative incidence of Relapse

	Overall N=124	Before sept 2010 N=55	After sept 2010 N=69	P value
Nb relapses post CR	3	0	3	
2 year Cumulative incidence relapse	2.9 [0.8; 7.5]	0	5.5 [1.4; 13.8]	0.1







Hematological toxicity

Mean	Before sept 2010	After sept 2010	p-value
days w/ Antibiotics 1 st Consolidation	6.2	3.8	0.22
RBC transfusion 1 st Consolidation	2.9	1.2	<0.0001
Time to platelet > 50 G/I 1 st consolidation	5.6	4	<0.0001
Time to ANC > 1 G/L 1 st consolidation	16.2	11.9	<0.0001

Conclusions

- In older patients with standard risk APL, addition of ATO, with limited amount of CT was associated with :
 - high CR rates,
 - without any increase in the relapse rate compared to our previous experience with ATRA–CT regimens.
- Reduction of mortality in CR was only seen when consolidation CT was reduced to one single day of Ida.

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