



Biology of High risk Myeloproliferative Neoplasms

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Objectives

- WHO 2016 classification of MPN
- Impact of mutations in MPN
- Genetic prognostication in MPN

WHO Classification of MPN

Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)

Myelodysplastic Syndromes (MDS)

Myeloproliferative Neoplasms (MPN)

MDS/MPN overlap

Myeloid/Lymphoid neoplasms with eosinophilia and *PDGFR/FGFR1/PCM1-JAK2* mutation

Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML)
BCR-ABL1
100% mutated

Chronic Neutrophilic Leukemia (CNL)
CSF3R
80-100% mutated

Chronic Eosinophilic Leukemia Not Otherwise Specified (CEL-NOS)

Polycythemia vera (PV)

Essential Thrombocythemia (ET)

Primary Myelofibrosis (PMF)

MPN Unclassifiable (MPN-U)

The JAK2/CALR/MPL mutated MPNs

97% *JAK2 V617F*
3% other *JAK2* mutations

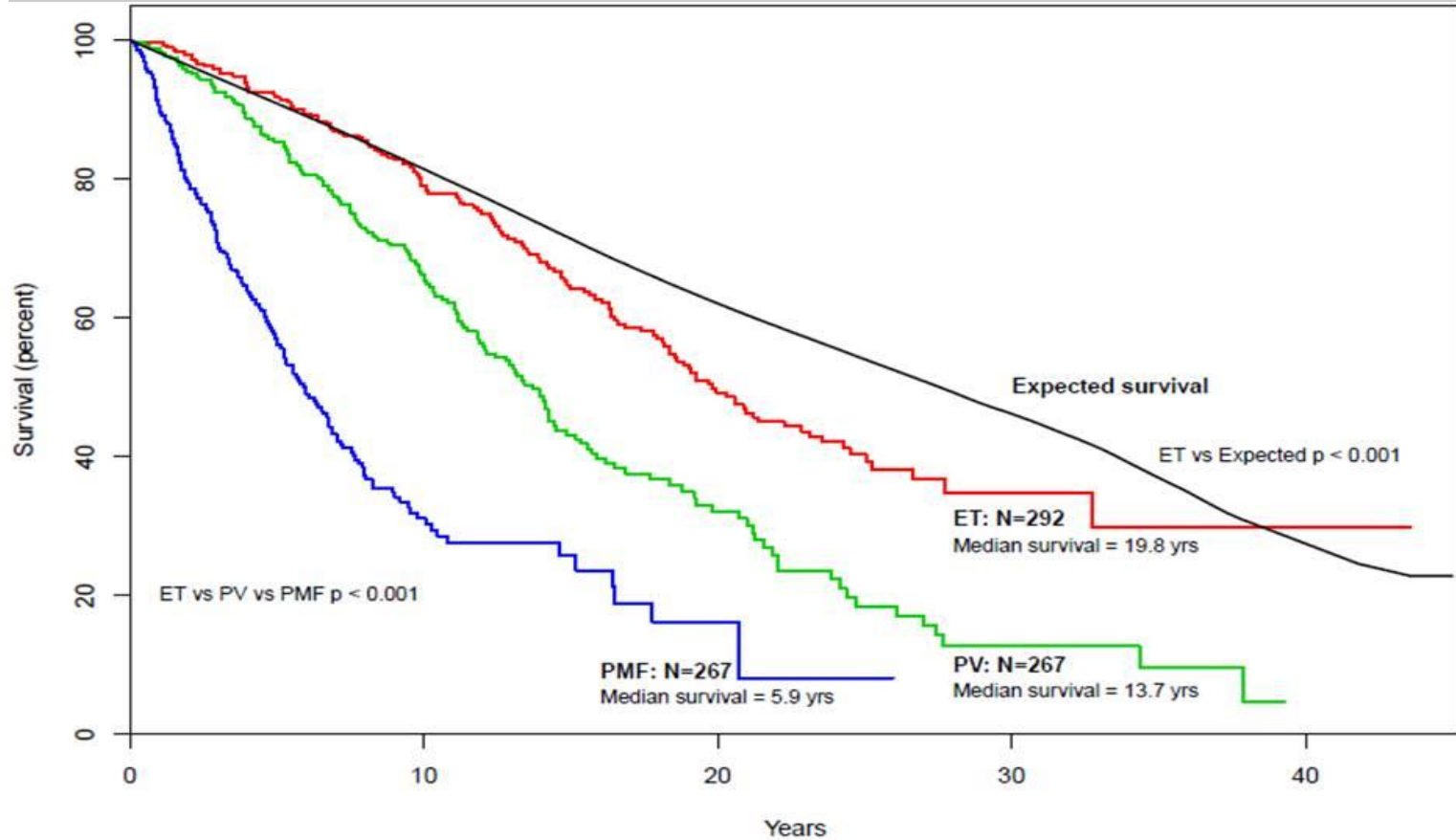
60% *JAK2* mutated
22% *CALR* mutated
3% *MPL* mutated
15% triple-negative

60% *JAK2* mutated
23% *CALR* mutated
7% *MPL* mutated
10% triple-negative

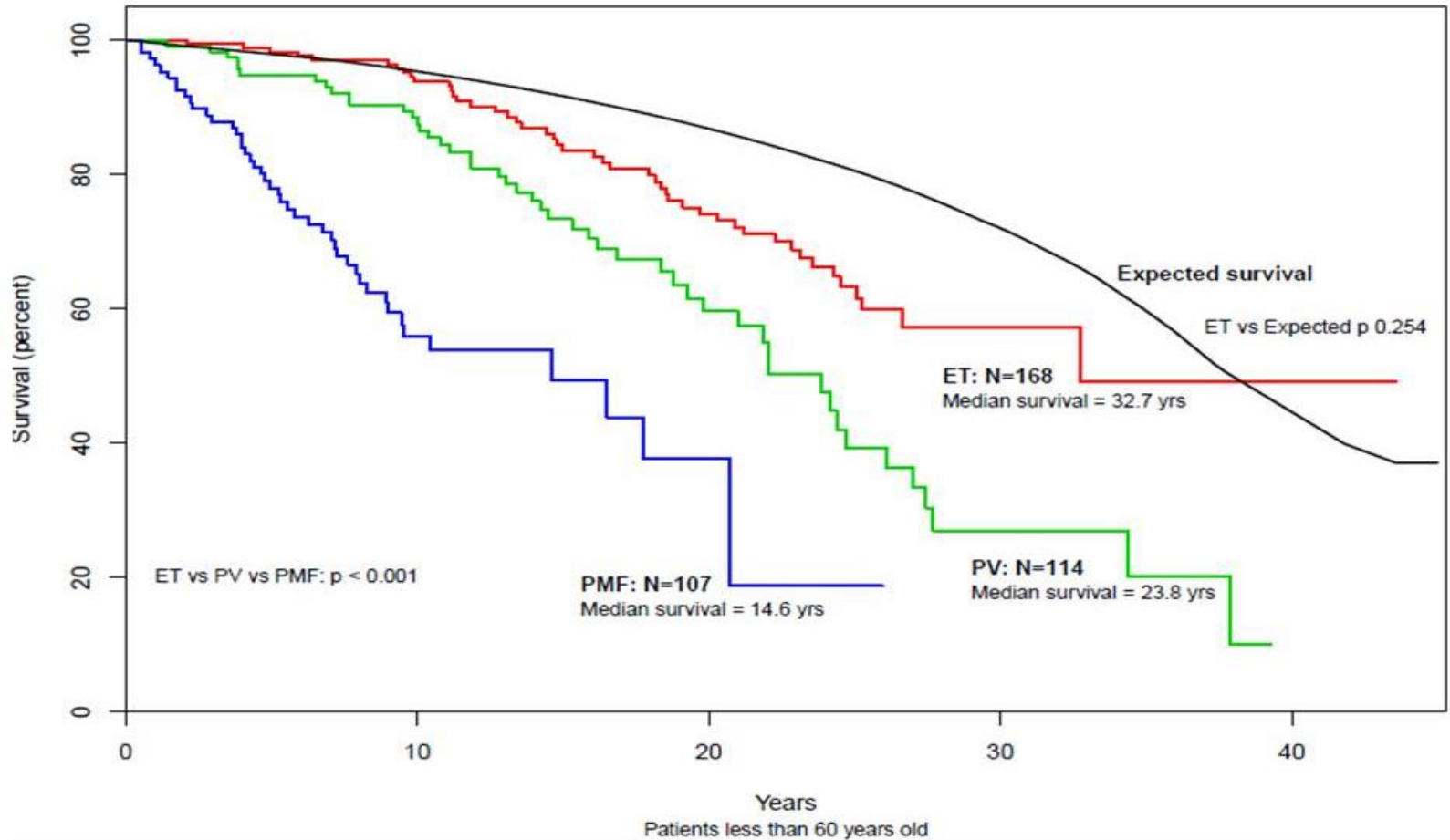
- *Mastocytosis (no longer under the WHO MPN category)*
- *Hypereosinophilic syndromes; consider:*
 - *PDGFR* mutated process
 - *CEL-NOS*
 - *Lymphocytic variant*
 - *If all excluded, make the diagnosis of HES*

Survival in MPN

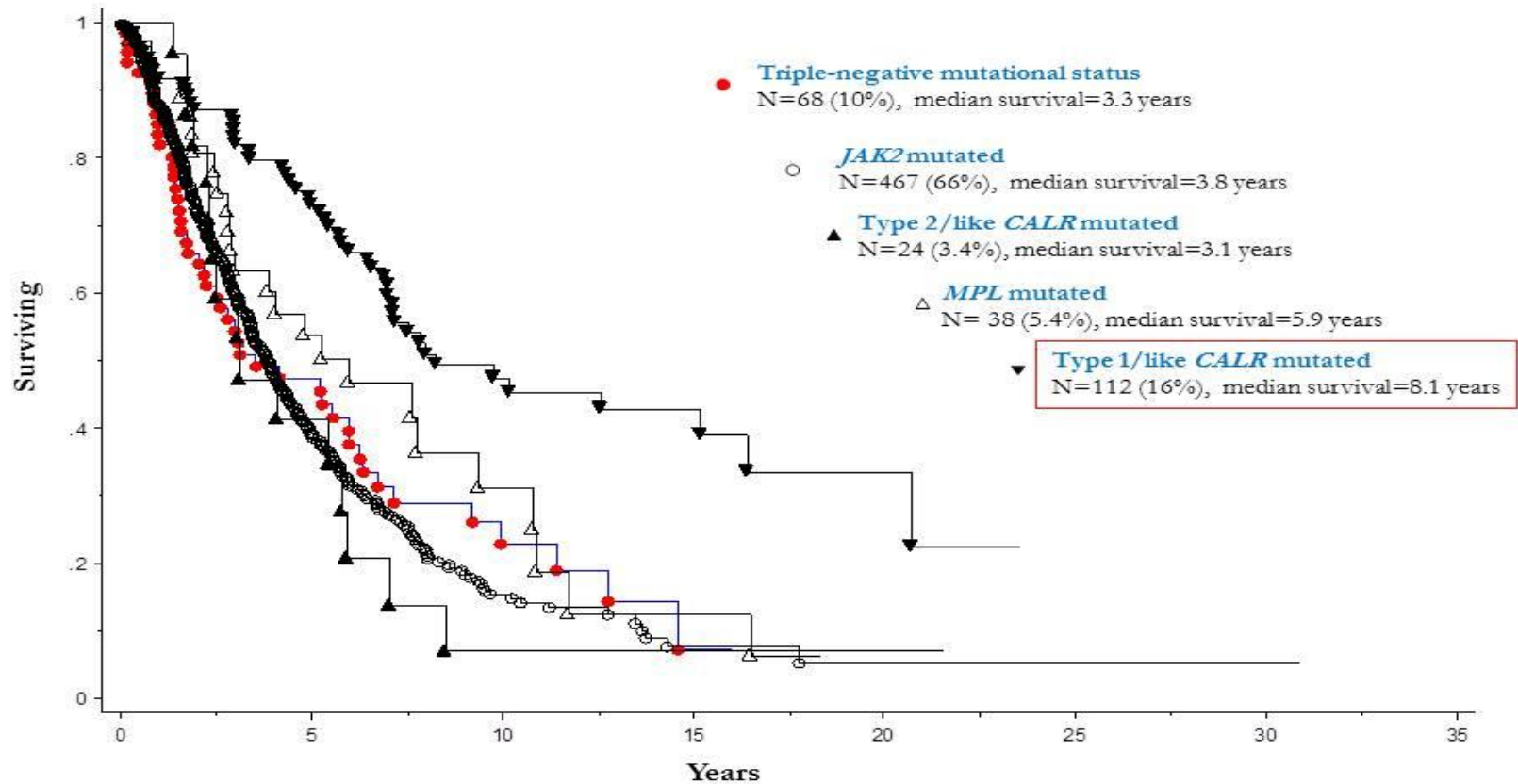
Comparison of survival in 826 Mayo Clinic patients with essential thrombocythemia vs polycythemia vera vs primary myelofibrosis.



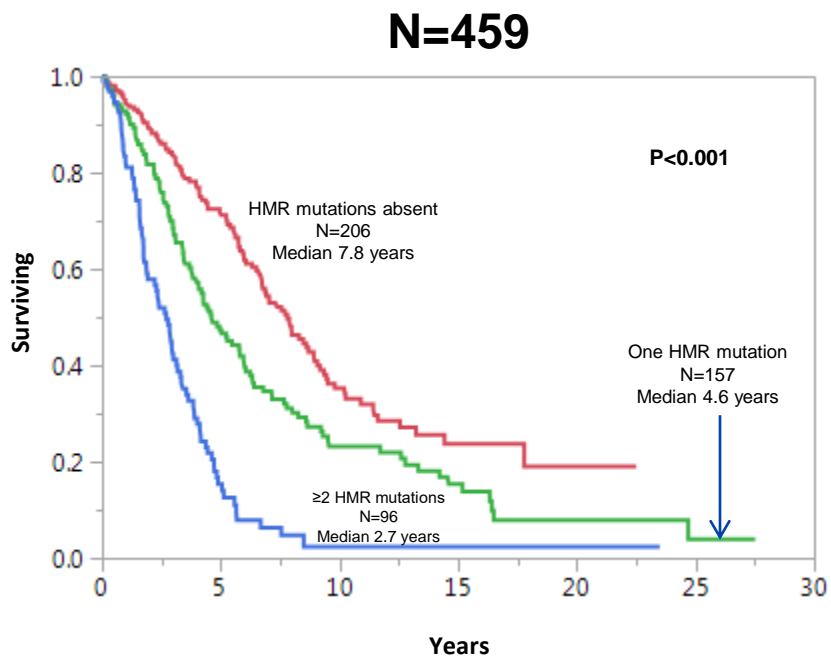
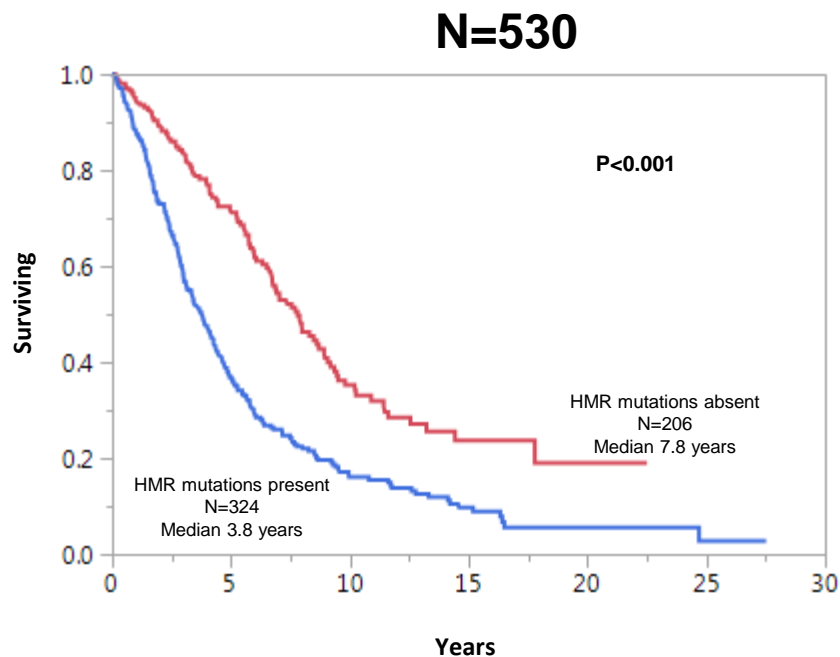
Survival in young patients with MPN



Survival of 709 primary myelofibrosis patients stratified by driver mutational status



Survival of 530 patients with primary myelofibrosis stratified by the presence or absence of high molecular risk (HMR) mutations *ASXL1*, *SRSF2*, *U2AF1Q157*, *EZH2*, *IDH1* and *IDH2*



Contemporary prognostic models in PMF

Prognostic score	Variables	Assessment
IPSS (Blood 2009)	Age Anemia Leukocytosis Circulating blast % Constitutional symptoms	At diagnosis
DIPSS (Blood 2010)	Same as above	Anytime
DIPSS plus (JCO 2011)	Same as above + Red cell transfusion need Thrombocytopenia Unfavorable karyotype	Anytime
MIPSS70/MIPSS70 plus (Mutation/karyotype enhanced) MIPSS70 plus version 2.0 (JCO 2017, JCO 2018)	Clinical + histologic+ genetic variables	Anytime
GIPSS (Genetically inspired) (Leukemia 2018)	Cyto-molecular genetics	Anytime

Revised Three-tiered Cytogenetic stratification in PMF

Unfavorable karyotype

DIPSS plus

complex karyotype, single or two abnormalities
Including 8,7/7q-, i(17q),5/5q-, 12p-, inv(3) or 11q23rearrangement

MIPSS70 plus

any abnormal karyotype **except** normal karyotype
sole abnormalities 20q-, 13q-, +9, chr. 1 translocation/duplication, -Y, sex chromosome abnormality other than -Y

Three tiered cytogenetic risk groups

Very high risk (VHR)

- single/multiple abnormalities of -7, inv(3)/3q21, i(17q), 12p-/12p11.2 or 11q-/11q23
- Single/multiple autosomal trisomies other than +9 and +8

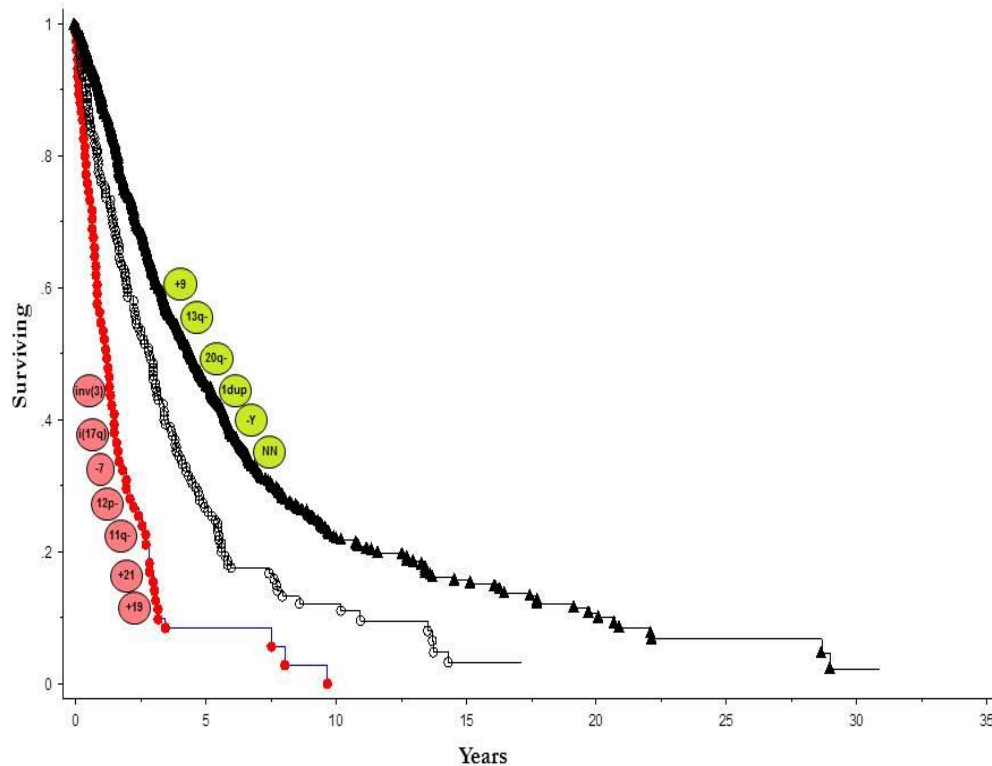
Unfavorable

- sole abnormalities of +8 or 7q-
- sole translocations not involving chromosome 1
- sole abnormalities not otherwise classified
- monosomal karyotype without VHR abnormality
- complex non-monosomal without VHR abnormality
- Single/multiple 5q- abnormalities
- Two abnormalities without VHR abnormality

Favorable

- Normal karyotype
- sole abnormalities of 20q-,13q-, +9
- sole sex chromosome abnormalities including -Y
- sole chromosome 1 translocations/duplications

Survival of 1,002 patients with primary myelofibrosis stratified by the revised three-tiered cytogenetic risk model



**Very high risk category (VHR);
N=75; median survival 1.2
years**

**Unfavorable risk category;
N=190; median survival
2.9 years**

**Favorable risk
category; N=737;
median survival 4.4
years**

MIPSS70 plus Version 2.0

Clinical variables

- Sex and severity adjusted anemia
severe anemia
< 8g/dl (F)
< 9 g/dl (M)
moderate anemia
8-9.9 g/dl (F)
9-10.9 g/dl (M)
- Blasts $\geq 2\%$
- Constitutional symptoms

Genetic variables

- *U2AF1* Q157,
ASXL1, *SRSF2*,
EZH2, *IDH1/2*,
absence of type 1
CALR
- ≥ 2 HMR
- 3 tiered
cytogenetics
(VHR, unfavorable)

Very high risk karyotype 4 points
Unfavorable karyotype 3 points
 ≥ 2 HMR mutations 3 points

One HMR mutation 2 points
Type 1/like *CALR* mutation
absent 2 points
Constitutional symptoms 2 points
Severe anemia 2 points

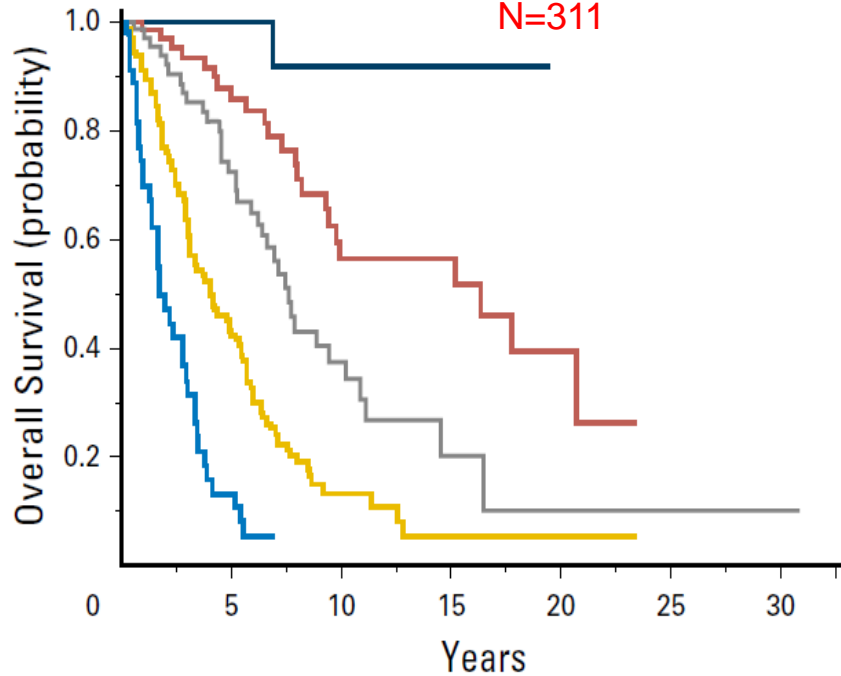
Moderate anemia 1 point
 $\geq 2\%$ circulating blasts 1 point

<http://www.mipss70score.it/>

MIPSS70 plus Version 2.0

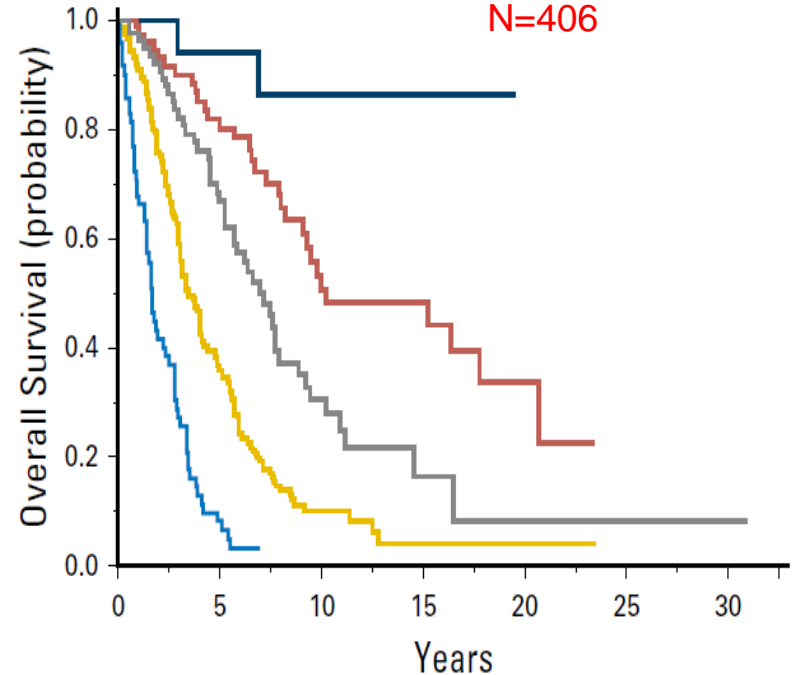
Risk categories: **very high risk ≥ 9 points**; **high risk 5-8 points**; **intermediate risk 3-4 points**; **low risk 1-2 points**; and **very low risk zero points**

Patients < 70 years
N=311



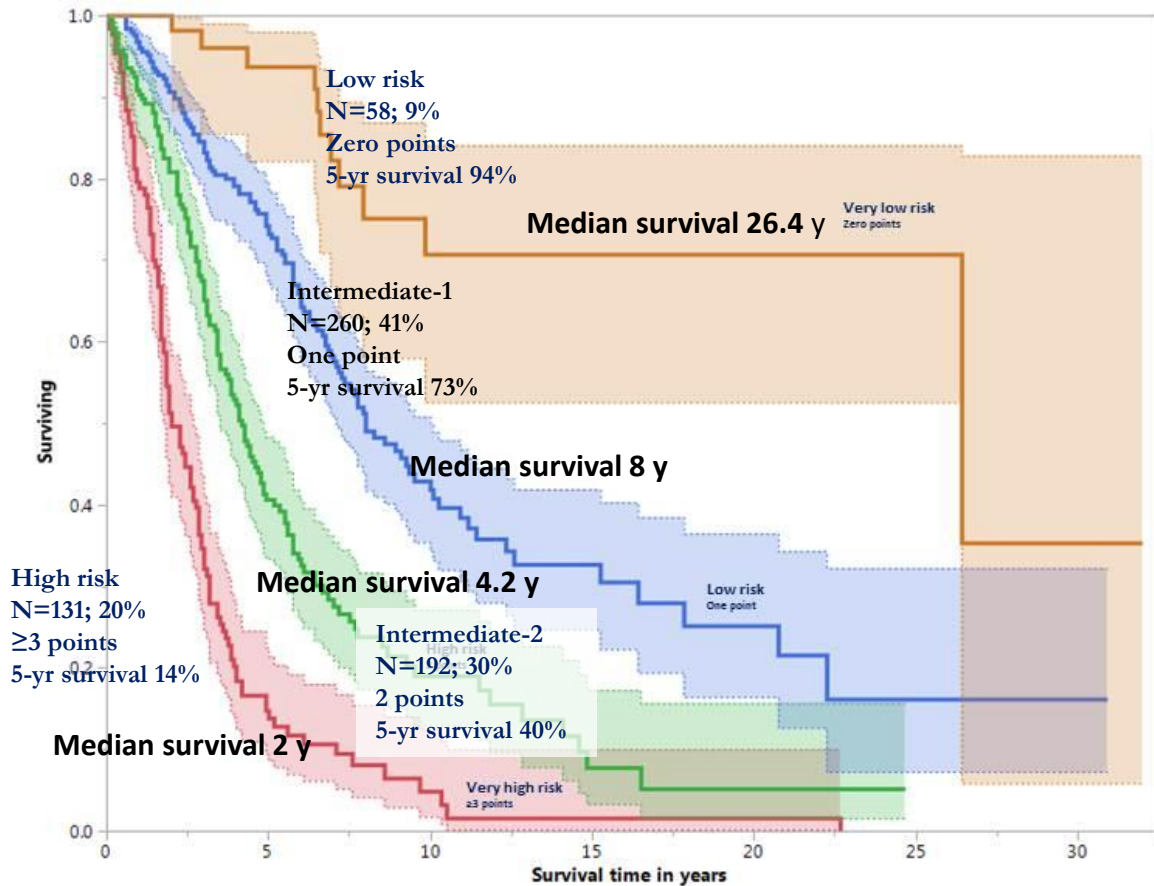
- Very high risk; n = 44; median, 1.8 years; 10-year survival, < 5%
- High risk; n = 124; median, 4.1 years; 10-year survival, 13%
- Intermediate risk; n = 64; median, 7.7 years; 10-year survival, 37%
- Low risk; n = 64; median, 16.4 years; 10-year survival, 56%
- Very low risk; n = 18; median, not reached; 10-year survival, 92%

All patients
N=406



- Very high risk; n = 69; median, 1.8 years; 10-year survival, < 3%
- High risk; n = 172; median, 3.5 years; 10-year survival, 10%
- Intermediate risk; n = 76; median, 7 years; 10-year survival, 30%
- Low risk; n = 70; median, 10.3 years; 10-year survival, 50%
- Very low risk; n = 19; median, not reached; 10-year survival, 86%

Genetically inspired prognostic score (GIPSS)



Very high risk karyotype = 2 points
 Unfavorable karyotype = 1 point
 ASXL1 mutation = 1 point
 SRSF2 mutation = 1 point
 U2AF1 Q157 mutation = 1 point
 Absence of type 1/like CALR = 1 point

Karyotype:

Very high risk = 2 points
 Unfavorable = 1 point

Driver mutations:

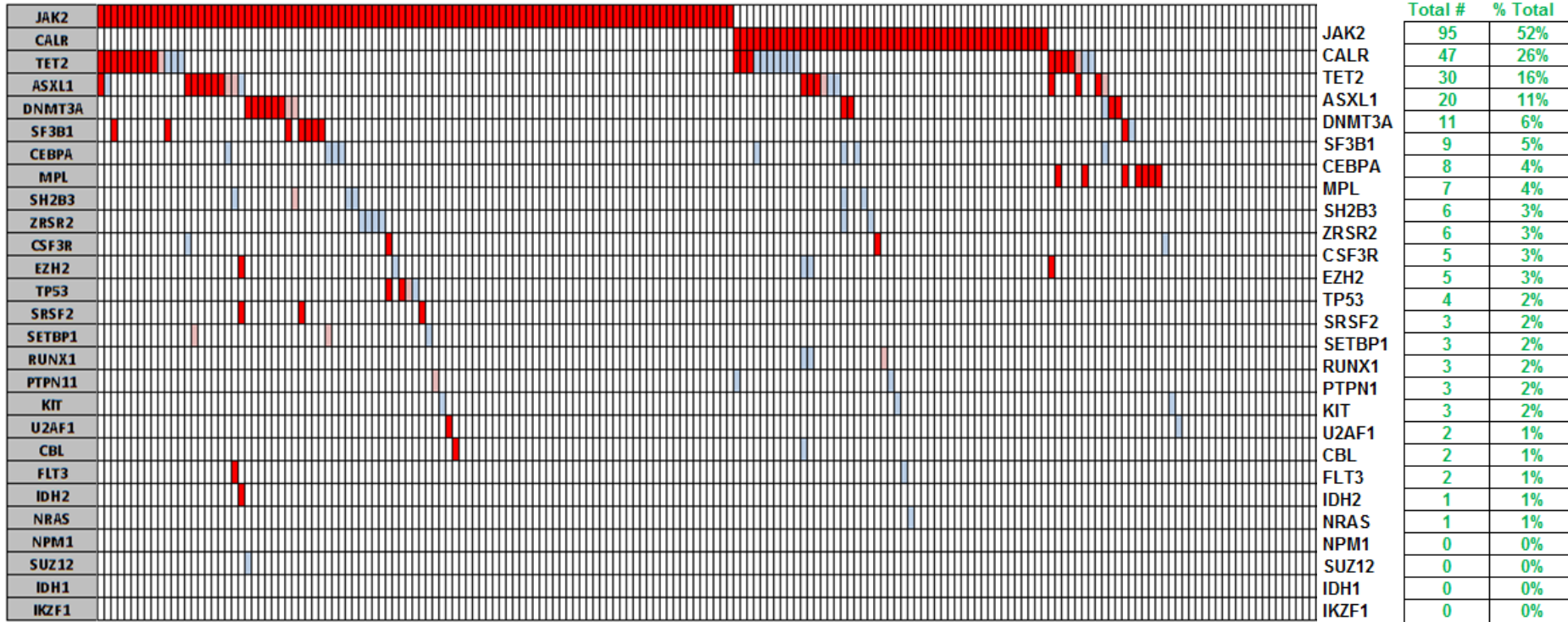
Type 1/like CALR absent = 1 point

High risk mutations:

ASXL1 mutation = 1 point
 SRSF2 mutation = 1 point
 U2AF1 Q157 mutation = 1 point

Very high risk	131	15	4	2	→	Median survival 2 years; 5-year survival 14%
High risk	192	61	15	5	→	Median survival 4.2 years; 5-year survival 40%
Low risk	260	150	41	16	→	Median survival 8 years; 5-year survival 73%
Very low risk	58	41	17	10	→	Median survival 26.4 years; 5-year survival 94%

Targeted deep sequencing in 183 patients with ET



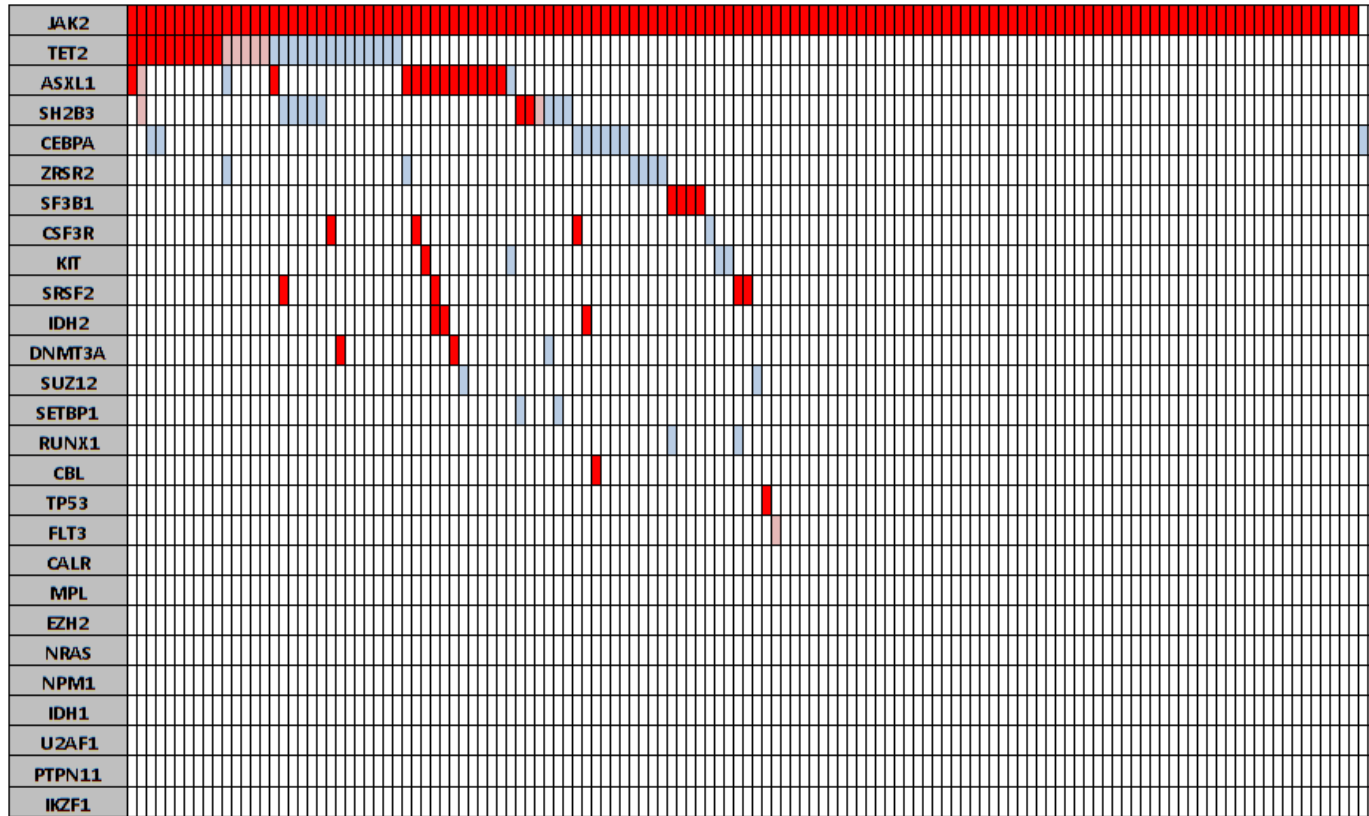
RED: Sequence variants previously associated with a hematologic malignancy and shown to be somatic

PINK: Sequence variants previously associated with a hematologic malignancy and with ≤1% minor allele frequency in current databases for single nucleotide polymorphisms

BLUE: Sequence variants with ≤1% minor allele frequency in current databases for single nucleotide polymorphisms

1. Prevalence of mutations/variants other than *JAK2/CALR/MPL* = 53%
2. Driver mutational status did not affect prevalence
3. Most frequent were *ASXL1* and *TET2*
4. 41%, 8% and 4% harbored 1, 2 or ≥3 such mutations

Targeted deep sequencing in 133 patients with PV



	Total #	% Total
JAK2	130	98%
TET2	29	22%
ASXL1	16	12%
SH2B3	12	9%
CEBPA	8	6%
ZRSR2	6	5%
SF3B1	4	3%
CSF3R	4	3%
KIT	4	3%
SRSF2	4	3%
IDH2	3	2%
DNMT3A	3	2%
SUZ12	2	2%
SETBP1	2	2%
RUNX1	2	2%
CBL	1	1%
TP53	1	1%
FLT3	1	1%
CALR	0	0%
MPL	0	0%
EZH2	0	0%
NRAS	0	0%
NPM1	0	0%
IDH1	0	0%
U2AF1	0	0%
PTPN11	0	0%
IKZF1	0	0%

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1. Prevalence of mutations/variants other than *JAK2/CALR/MPL* = 53%
2. Most frequent were *ASXL1* and *TET2*
3. 30%, 20% and 3% harbored 1, 2 or ≥3 such mutations

Contemporary prognostic models in PV/ET

Prognostic assessment	Variables	
Survival in PV	Age Leukocytosis Venous thrombosis	Leukemia 2013
IPSET- thrombosis	Age <i>JAK2</i> mutation History of thrombosis Cardiovascular risk factors (diabetes, hypertension, tobacco use)	Blood 2012 Blood Cancer J 2015
IPSET- survival	Age Leukocytosis History of thrombosis	Blood 2012
MIPSS-ET/MIPSS-PV (Mutation-enhanced)	Clinical + genetic variables	Ongoing

Derivation of **Mutation-enhanced** MIPSS score in ET/PV

Variables	HR (95% CI)	Weighted value
ET		
Age > 60 years	6.7 (4.8-9.4)	4
Male	1.8 (1.4-2.4)	1
<i>SRSF2/SF3B1</i> mutations	2.8 (1.8-4.3)	2
PV		
Age > 60 years	5.7 (3.3-10.1)	2
Leukocyte count \geq 11x10⁹	2.4 (1.5-3.9)	1
Abnormal karyotype	2.1 (1.1-3.6)	1
<i>SRSF2</i> mutations	7 (2.3-17.4)	2

Mutation-enhanced MIPSS score in ET (MIPSS-ET)

Figure 1a: MIPSS-ET; n=502

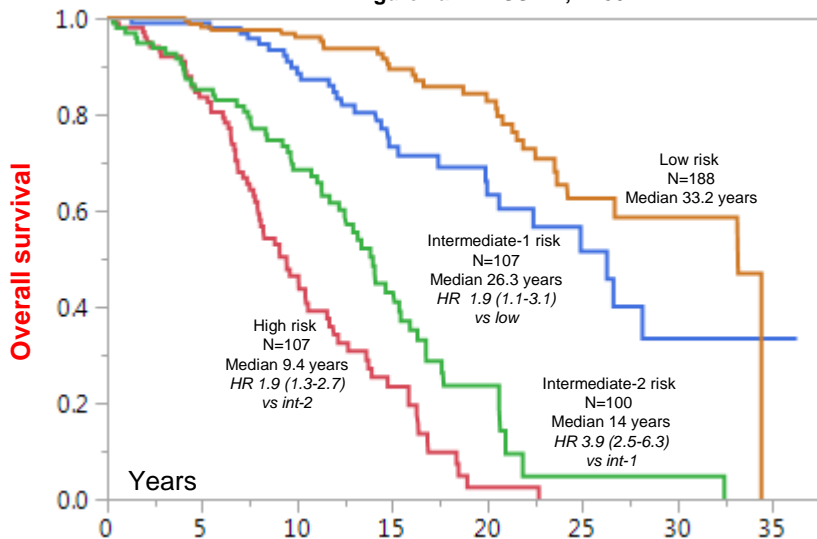


Figure 1b: LFS in ET; n=502

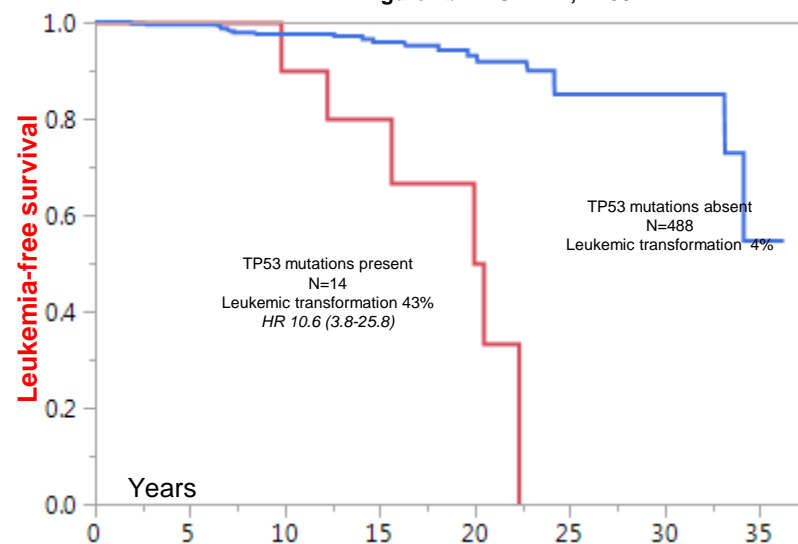
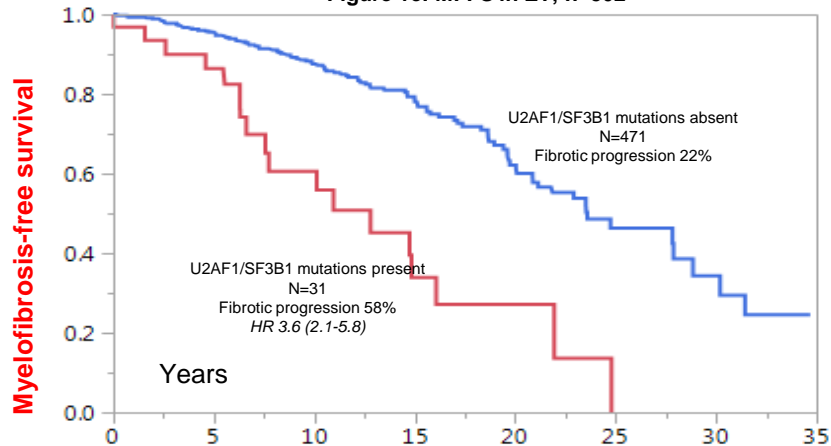


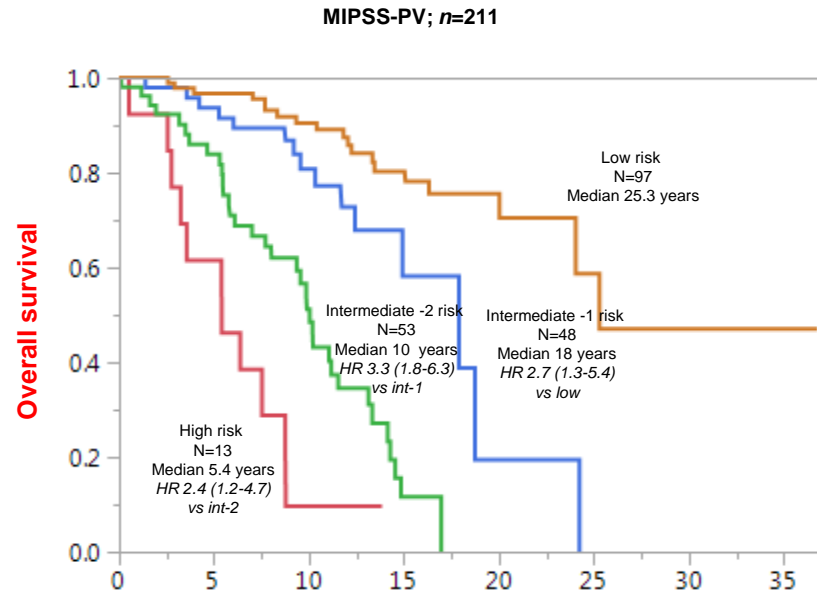
Figure 1c: MFFS in ET; n=502



Analysis was based on a combined dataset of 502 cases, informative for all listed risk factors, from the Mayo Clinic and University of Florence.

ET survival risk factors: *SRSF2/SF3B1* mutations (2 points), age >60 years (4 points) and male sex (1 point) – low “0” points; intermediate-1 “1-2 points”; intermediate-2 “3-4 points”; high “≥5” points

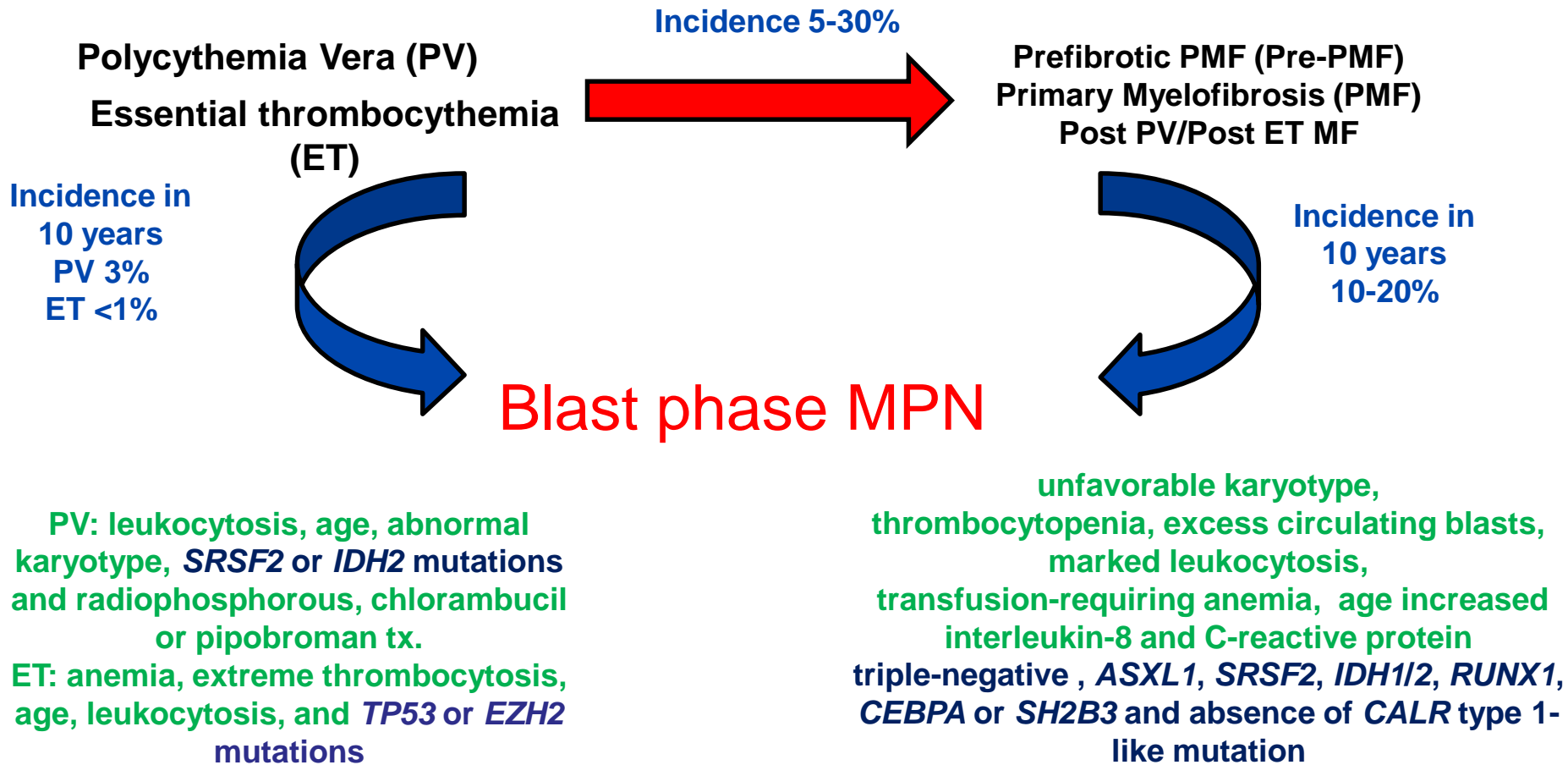
Mutation-enhanced MIPSS score in PV (MIPSS-PV)



Analysis was based on a combined dataset of 211 cases, informative for all listed risk factors, from the Mayo Clinic and University of Florence.

PV survival risk factors: *SRSF2* mutations (2 points), age >60 years (2 points), leukocyte count $\geq 11 \times 10^9/l$ (1 point) and abnormal karyotype (1 point) – low “0-1” points; intermediate-1 “2” points; intermediate-2 “3” points; high “ ≥ 4 ” points

Blast Phase MPN: Incidence & Risk factors

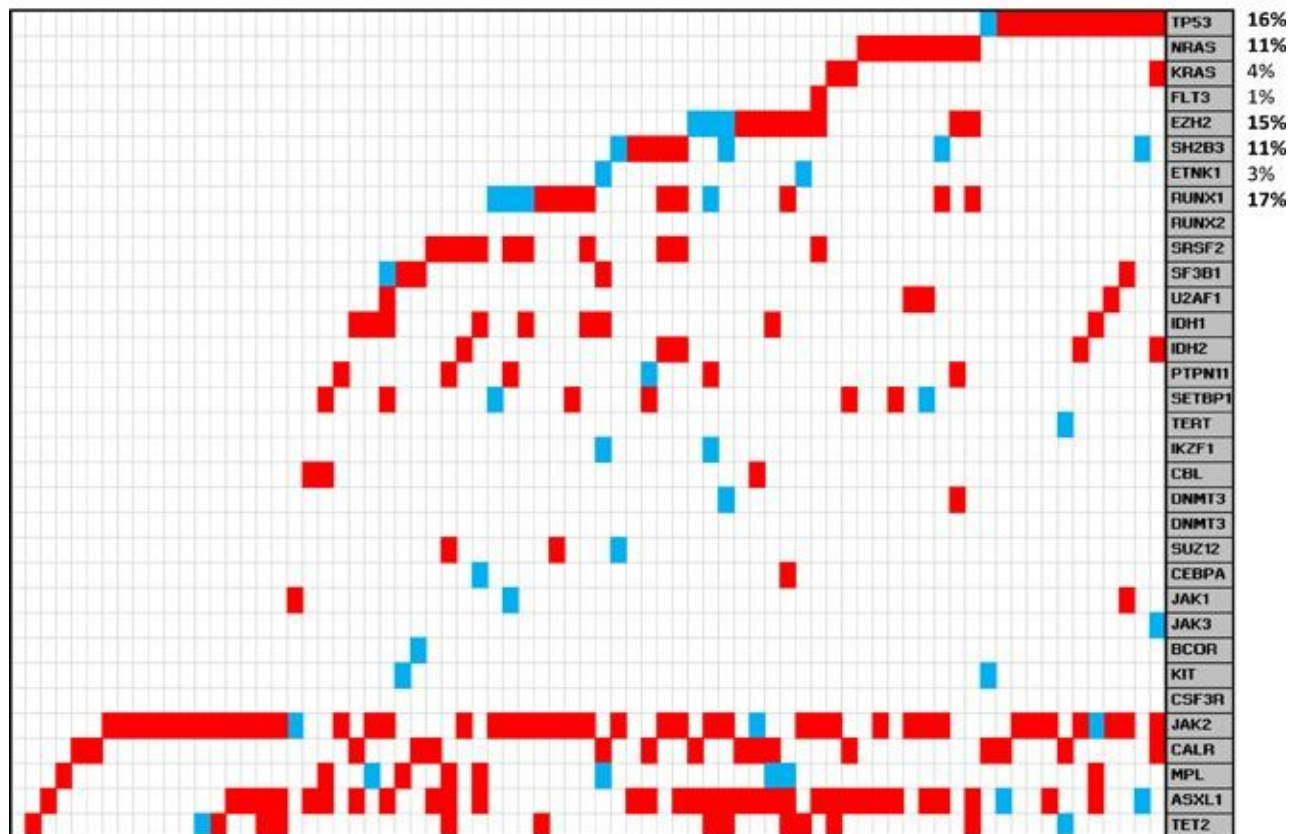


Blast phase MPN: Molecular profile

Visual abstract

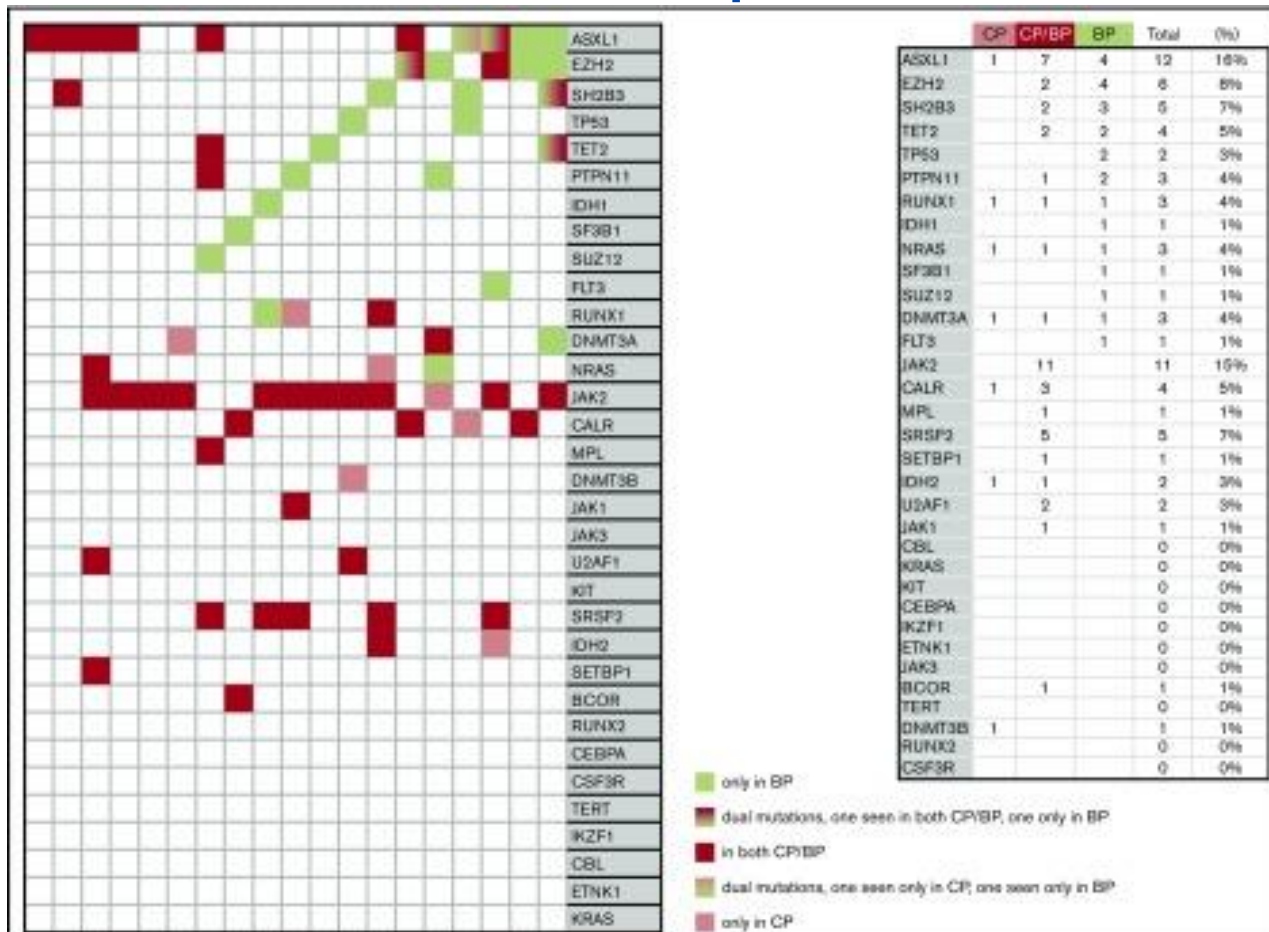
Molecular signature in 75 patients with blast phase myeloproliferative neoplasm, stratified by mutations that are over-represented compared to historical data on chronic phase disease

■ Pathogenic Mutation
■ Unknown Significance



1. Prevalence of *JAK2/CALR/MPL* mutations = 57%/20%/9%
2. 85% harbored other mutations/variants
3. Enriched in *TP53, RUNX1, EZH2, NRAS, SH2B3* mutations

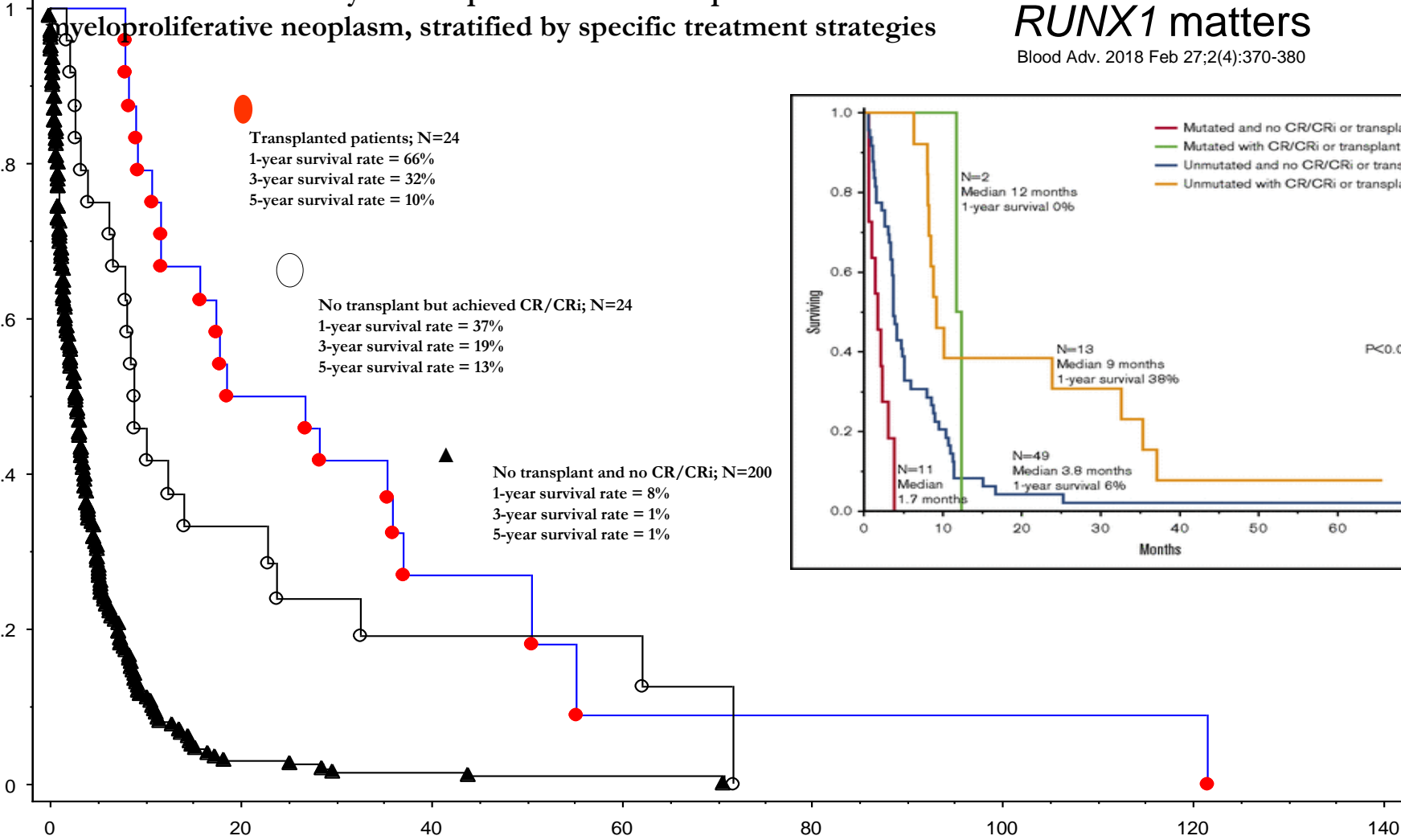
Blast phase vs chronic phase MPN: Molecular profile



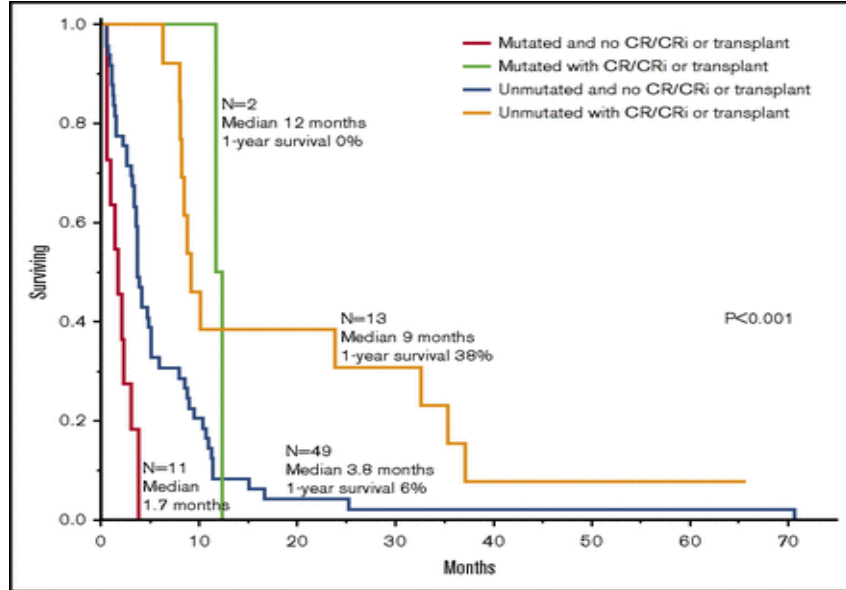
Mutations with 2 or more instances of acquisition in blast phase disease included *TP53*, *EZH2*, *LNK*, *ASXL1*, *PTPN11*, and *TET2*

Blast Phase MPN

Survival data on 248 Mayo Clinic patients with blast-phase myeloproliferative neoplasm, stratified by specific treatment strategies



***RUNX1* matters**
 Blood Adv. 2018 Feb 27;2(4):370-380



Summary

- During prognostication of patients with primary myelofibrosis (PMF), one can simply start with the genetics only GIPSS prognostic model
 - *Very high risk (VHR) karyotype automatically puts a patient into high risk category and no additional prognostic information might be needed*
 - *In the absence of VHR karyotype, high risk category assignment requires three adverse genetic features: absence of type 1/like CALR, unfavorable karyotype, high molecular risk mutation such as ASXL1, SRSF2 and U2AF1 Q157*
- About 10% of patients with PMF do not display any adverse genetic features and their 5-year survival is over 90%

Summary

- MIPSS70+ *version 2.0* includes clinical risk factors (anemia, circulating blasts, constitutional symptoms), in addition to genetic risk factors used in GIPSS, and offers additional information on prognosis
- MIPSS-ET and MIPSS-PV includes clinical risk factors (age/male gender, age/leukocytosis respectively), in addition to genetic risk factors
- Mutation patterns in blast phase MPN point to specific mutations (*TP53*, *EZH2*, *LNK*, *ASXL1*, *PTPN11*, and *TET2*) with potential pathogenetic relevance
- *RUNX1* mutations predict inferior survival in blast phase MPN

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