

A microscopic view of red blood cells, showing various sizes and shapes, some with visible nuclei, set against a dark red background.

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**Mielofibrosi idiopatica: inibitori di Jak vecchi,
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International Consensus Classification of Myeloid Neoplasms and Acute Leukemias: integrating morphologic, clinical, and genomic data

Diagnostic criteria for primary myelofibrosis (PMF)

PMF, early/prefibrotic stage (pre-PMF)	PMF, overt fibrotic stage
<p>Major criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bone marrow biopsy showing megakaryocytic proliferation and atypia,* bone marrow fibrosis grade < 2, increased age-adjusted BM cellularity, granulocytic proliferation, and (often) decreased erythropoiesis 2. <i>JAK2</i>, <i>CALR</i>, or <i>MPL</i> mutation† or presence of another clonal marker‡ or absence of reactive bone marrow reticulin fibrosis§ 3. Diagnostic criteria for <i>BCR::ABL1</i>-positive CML, PV, ET, myelodysplastic syndromes, or other myeloid neoplasms are not met 	<p>Major criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bone marrow biopsy showing megakaryocytic proliferation and atypia,* accompanied by reticulin and/or collagen fibrosis grades 2 or 3 2. <i>JAK2</i>, <i>CALR</i>, or <i>MPL</i> mutation† or presence of another clonal marker‡ or absence of reactive myelofibrosis§ 3. Diagnostic criteria for ET, PV, <i>BCR::ABL1</i>-positive CML, myelodysplastic syndrome, or other myeloid neoplasms¶ are not met
<p>Minor criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anemia not attributed to a comorbid condition • Leukocytosis $\geq 11 \times 10^9/L$ • Palpable splenomegaly • Lactate dehydrogenase level above the above the reference range 	<p>Minor criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anemia not attributed to a comorbid condition • Leukocytosis $\geq 11 \times 10^9/L$ • Palpable splenomegaly • Lactate dehydrogenase level above the above the reference range • Leukoerythroblastosis
<p>The diagnosis of pre-PMF or overt PMF requires all 3 major criteria and at least 1 minor criterion confirmed in 2 consecutive determinations</p>	

Diagnostic criteria for polycythemia vera (PV) and post-PV myelofibrosis (post-PV MF)

PV	Post-PV MF
<p>Major criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elevated hemoglobin concentration or elevated hematocrit or increased red blood cell mass* 2. Presence of <i>JAK2</i> V617F or <i>JAK2</i> exon 12 mutation† 3. Bone marrow biopsy showing age-adjusted hypercellularity with trilineage proliferation (panmyelosis), including prominent erythroid, granulocytic, and increase in pleomorphic, mature megakaryocytes without atypia <p>Minor criterion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subnormal serum erythropoietin level 	<p>Required criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Previous established diagnosis of PV 2. Bone marrow fibrosis of grade 2 or 3 <p>Additional criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anemia (ie, below the reference range given age, sex, and altitude considerations) or sustained loss of requirement of either phlebotomy (in the absence of cytoreductive therapy) or cytoreductive treatment for erythrocytosis 2. Leukoerythroblastosis 3. Increase in palpable splenomegaly of >5 cm from baseline or the development of a newly palpable splenomegaly 4. Development of any 2 (or all 3) of the following constitutional symptoms: >10% weight loss in 6 mo, night sweats, unexplained fever (>37.5°C)
<p>The diagnosis of PV requires either all 3 major criteria or the first 2 major criteria plus the minor criterion‡</p>	<p>The diagnosis of post-PV MF is established by all required criteria and at least 2 additional criteria</p>

Diagnostic criteria for essential thrombocythemia (ET) and post-ET myelofibrosis (post-ET MF)

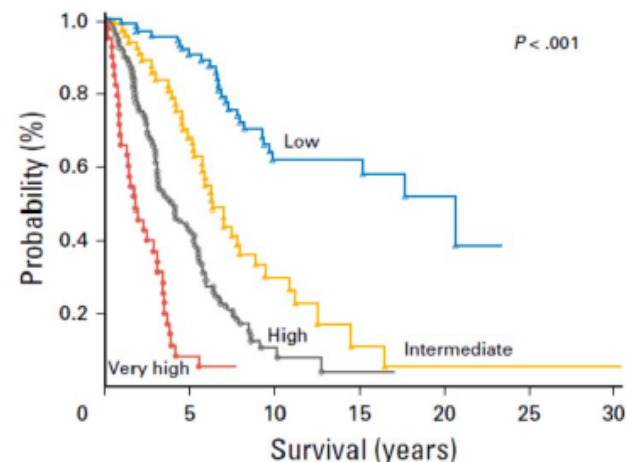
ET	Post-ET MF
<p>Major criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Platelet count $\geq 450 \times 10^9/L$ 2. Bone marrow biopsy showing proliferation mainly of the megakaryocytic lineage, with increased numbers of enlarged, mature megakaryocytes with hyperlobulated staghorn-like nuclei, infrequently dense clusters*; no significant increase or left shift in neutrophil granulopoiesis or erythropoiesis; no relevant BM fibrosis† 3. Diagnostic criteria for <i>BCR::ABL1</i>-positive CML, PV, PMF, or other myeloid neoplasms are not met 4. <i>JAK2</i>, <i>CALR</i>, or <i>MPL</i> mutation‡ <p>Minor criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presence of a clonal marker§ or absence of evidence of reactive thrombocytosis 	<p>Required criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Previous established diagnosis of ET 2. Bone marrow fibrosis of grade 2 or 3 <p>Additional criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anemia (ie, below the reference range given age, sex, and altitude considerations) and a >2 g/dL decrease from baseline hemoglobin concentration 2. Leukoerythroblastosis 3. Increase in palpable splenomegaly of >5 cm from baseline or the development of a newly palpable splenomegaly 4. Elevated LDH level above the reference range 5. Development of any 2 (or all 3) of the following constitutional symptoms: >10% weight loss in 6 mo, night sweats, unexplained fever (>37.5°C)
<p>The diagnosis of ET requires either all major criteria or the first 3 major criteria plus the minor criteria</p>	<p>The diagnosis of post-ET MF is established by all required criteria and at least 2 additional criteria</p>



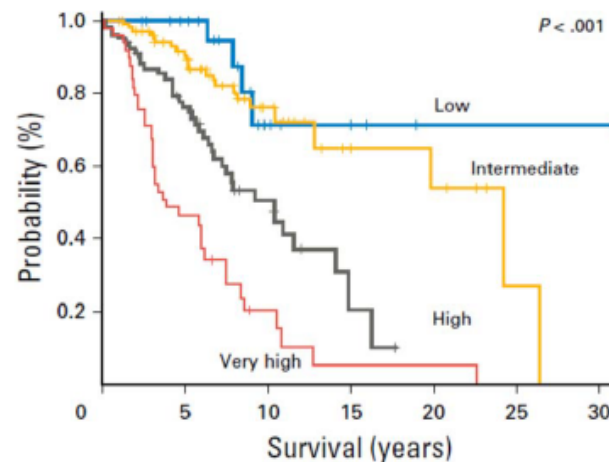
MIPSS70Plus:

- Punteggio di 1
 - Hb < 10
 - blasti circolanti ≥ 2
 - Sintomi costituzionali
 - 1 HMR
- Punteggio di 2
 - Assenza di mutazione di CARLTy1
 - 2 o più HMR
- Punteggio di 3
 - Cariotipo sfavorevole**
- 4 categorie di rischio
 - Low (punteggio 0-2)
 - Intermediate(punteggio 3)
 - High(punteggio 4-6)
 - Very high (punteggio ≥7)

Guglielmelli et al, JCO 9 Dec 2017
 **Tefferi et al, submitted



At risk time	0	5	10	15	20
Low	86	67	28	17	4
Intermediate	63	38	10	12	1
High	127	43	4	1	0
Very high	39	3	0	0	0



At risk time	0	5	10	15	20
Low	25	20	6	3	1
Intermediate	108	74	24	7	0
High	79	50	18	2	0
Very high	49	18	4	1	0

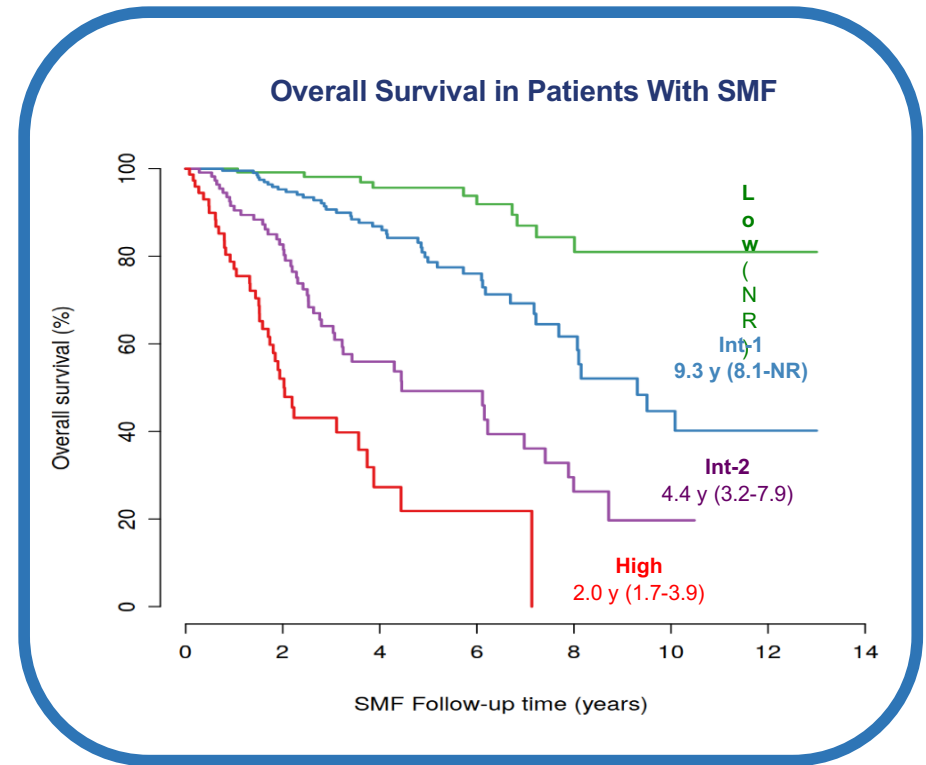
ORIGINAL ARTICLE

A clinical-molecular prognostic model to predict survival in patients with post polycythemia vera and post essential thrombocythemia myelofibrosis

Covariate	HR (95% CI)	P value	Points
Age at MF diagnosis ^a	1.07 (1.05-1.09)	< .0001	0.15
Hb < 11 g/dL	2.3 (1.6-3.3)	< .0001	2
PLT < 150 × 10 ⁹ /L	1.7 (1.2-2.5)	.006	1
PB blasts ≥ 3%	2.9 (1.8-4.8)	< .0001	2
CALR wild-type	2.6 (1.2-5.3)	.001	2
Constitutional symptoms	1.5 (1.0-2.0)	.03	1

^a Continuous, 0.15 point/year.

Hb, hemoglobin; MYSEC-PM, Myelofibrosis Secondary to PV and ET-Prognostic Model; NR, not reached; PLT, platelet count; PB, peripheral blood; SMF, secondary MF.



MYSEC-PM
 Calculator:
<http://www.mysec-pm.eu>

Anemia in myelofibrosis: current and emerging treatment options

Passamonti F, Harrison CN, Mesa RA, Kiladjian JJ, Vannucchi AM, Verstovsek S.. Crit Rev Oncol Hematol. 2022;180:103862. doi:10. 1016/j.critrevonc.2022.103862

Current and emerging treatment options for anemia in myelofibrosis

Anemia in MF

- Prevalence
 - Incidence of anemia in MF varies between studies
- Pathogenesis
 - Multiple factors contribute to the development of anemia in MF
- Quality of life
 - RBC transfusion requirements impact patients' quality of life
- Role in prognosis
 - Anemia is a risk factor in numerous MF prognosis scoring systems

Current treatments

- ESAs
- Androgens
 - danazol
- JAK inhibitors
 - ruxolitinib
 - fedratinib
- Splenectomy
- IMiD agents
 - thalidomide
 - lenalidomide
 - pomalidomide

Emerging treatments

- TGF β ligand traps
 - luspatercept
- JAK inhibitors
 - momelotinib
 - pacritinib
- Epigenetic modulators
 - pelabresib
- Antifibrotic agents
 - PRM-151
- Telomerase inhibitors
 - imetelstat
- BCL-2/BCL-xL inhibitor
 - navitoclax

Algoritmo terapeutico

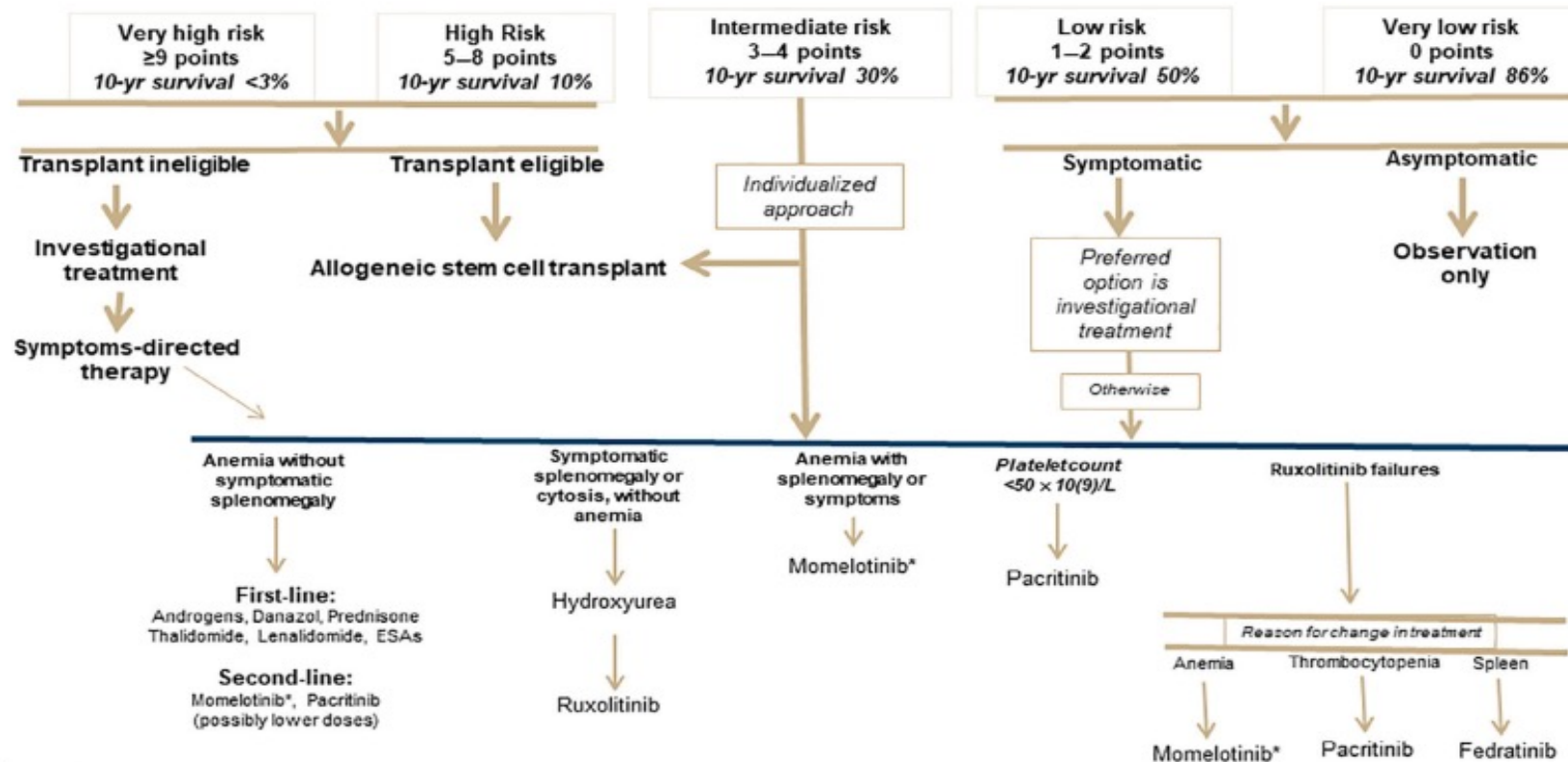
Mutation-enhanced international prognostic scoring system, version 2.0. (MIPSSv2)

Karyotype: Very high risk 4 points; unfavorable 3 points;

Mutations: ≥ 2 high risk mutations 3 points; one high risk mutation 2 points;

Type 1 CALR mutation: absent 2 points;

Clinical risk factors: constitutional symptoms 2 points; severe anemia 2 points; moderate anemia 1 point; $\geq 2\%$ circulating blasts 1 point



*Pending approval

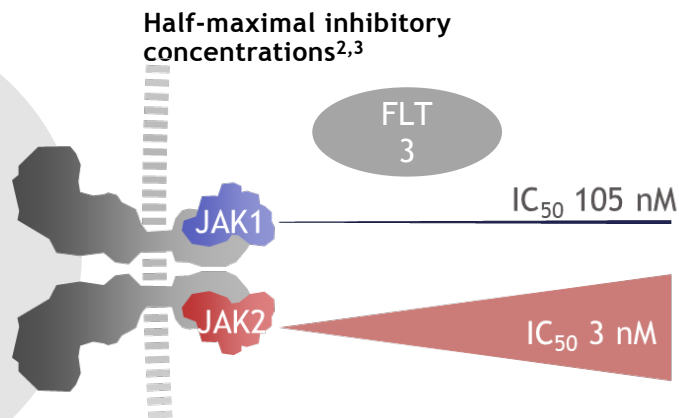
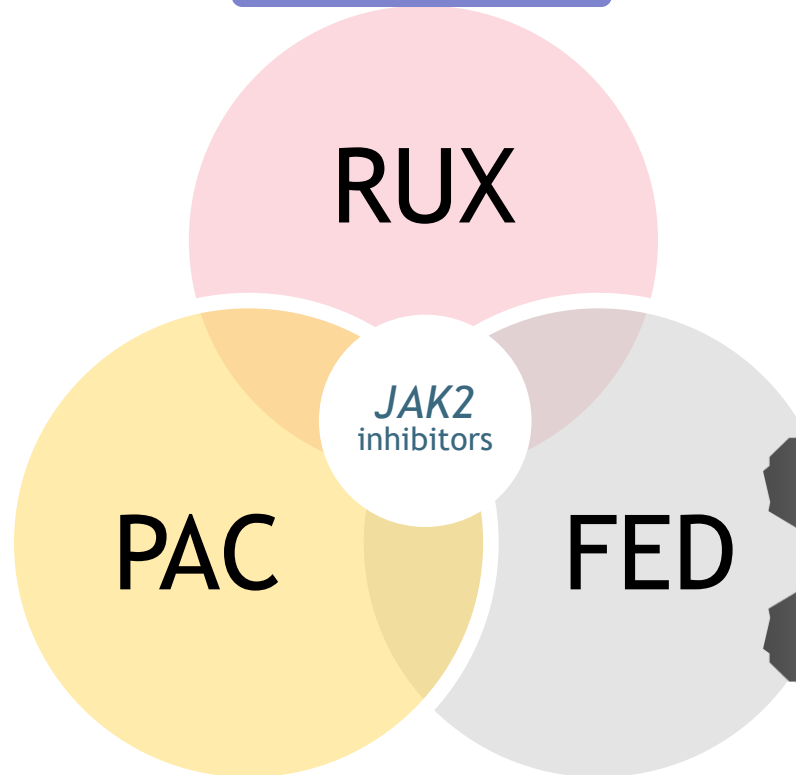
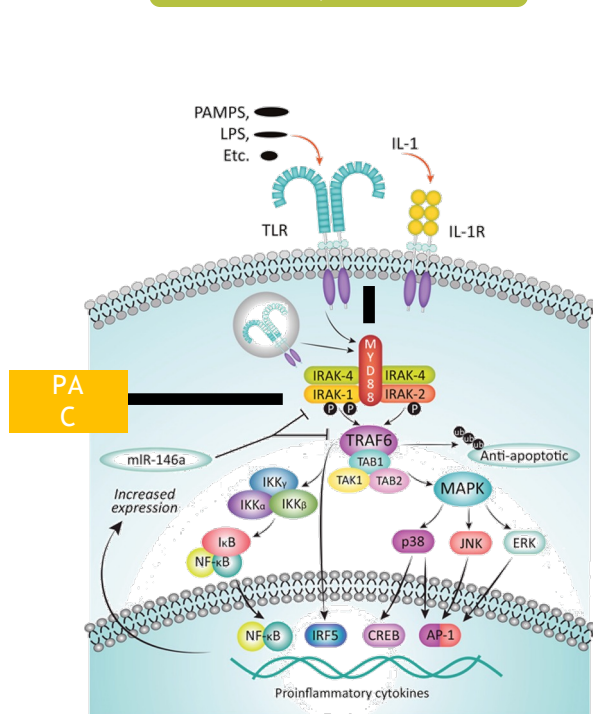
FIGURE 3 Risk-adapted treatment approach in primary myelofibrosis using the mutation- and karyotype-enhanced international prognostic system, version 2.0. (MIPSS v2; see text for references).

JAK2 inhibitors are not all the same

IRAK1, ACVR1

JAK1

FLT3, BRD4



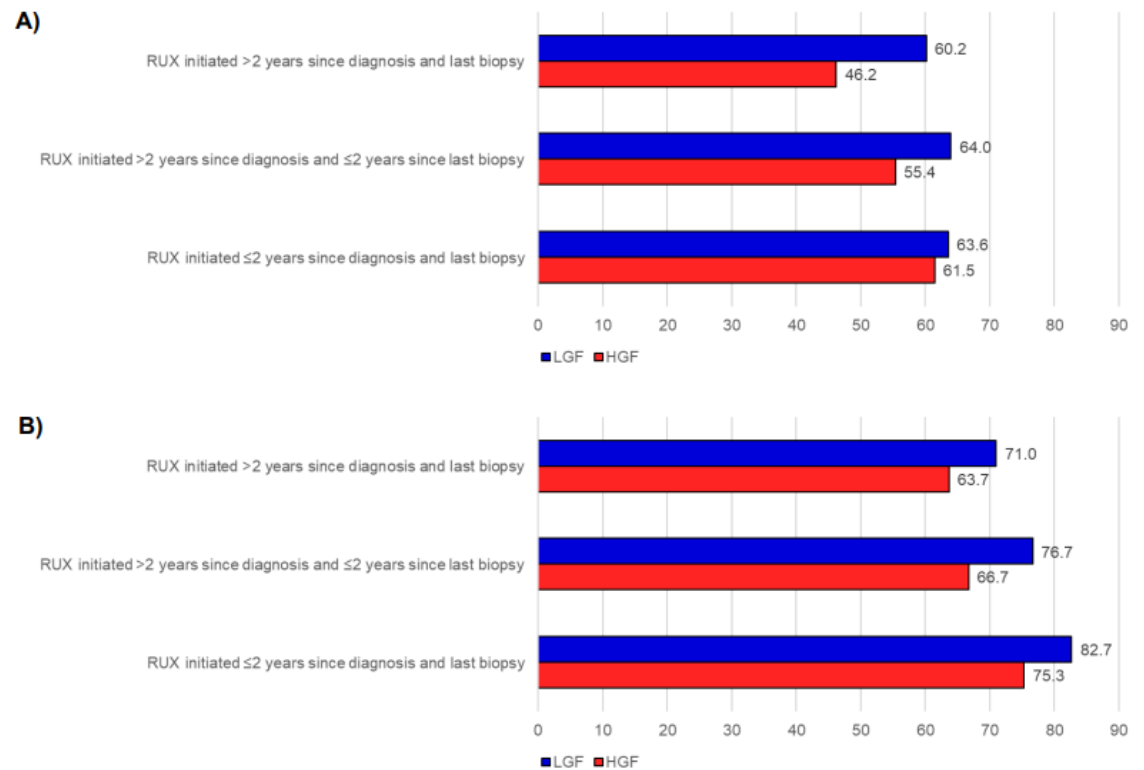
1. Singer JW, et al. Oncotarget 2018;9(70):33416-39; 2. Santos FPS, Verstovsek S. Blood Rev 2011;25(2):53-63; 3. Wernig G, et al. Cancer Cell 2008;13(4):311-20.

Article

Benefit of Early Ruxolitinib Initiation Regardless of Fibrosis Grade in Patients with Primary Myelofibrosis: A Post Hoc Analysis of the Single-Arm Phase 3b JUMP Study

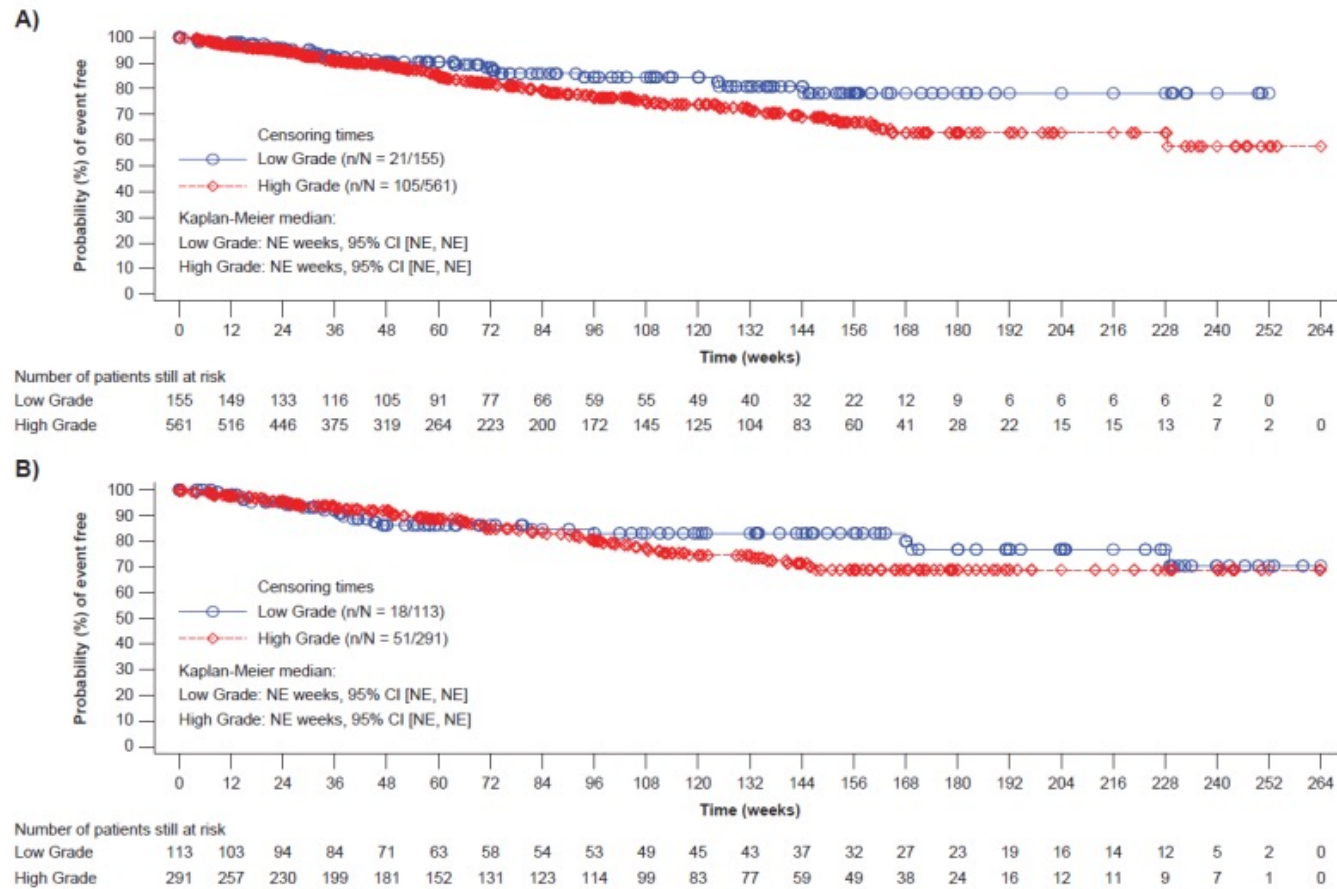
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Supplementary Figure S3. A. Proportion of patients with PMF achieving a spleen response at Week 24 stratified by time since diagnosis and time since last biopsy. **B.** Proportion of patients with PMF achieving a spleen response at any time during the study stratified by time since diagnosis and time since last biopsy.



HGF, high-grade fibrosis; LGF, low-grade fibrosis; PMF, primary myelofibrosis; RUX, ruxolitinib.

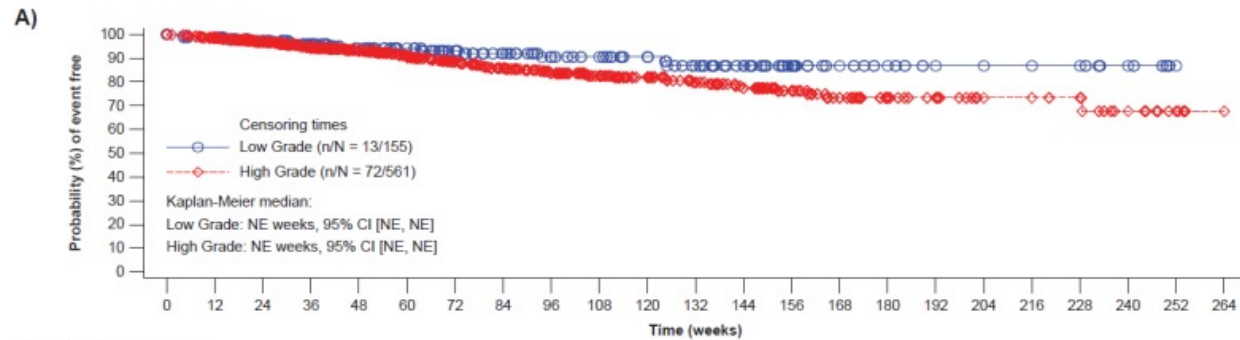
Supplementary Figure S4. Progression-free survival in patients with PMF stratified by time since last biopsy. **A**, Patients who started ruxolitinib treatment ≤ 2 years since their last biopsy. **B**, Patients who started ruxolitinib treatment > 2 years since their last biopsy.



CI, confidence interval; NE, not estimable; PMF, primary myelofibrosis.

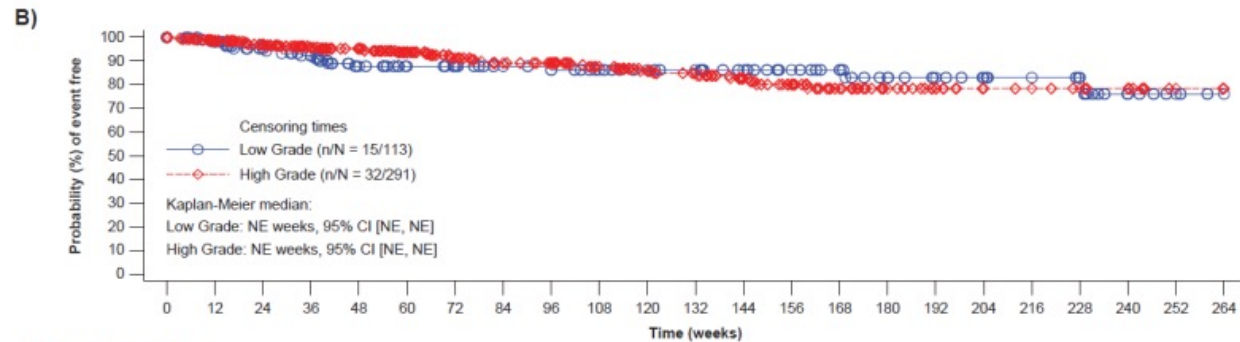


Supplementary Figure S5. Overall survival in patients with PMF stratified by time since last biopsy. **A**, Patients who started ruxolitinib treatment ≤ 2 years since their last biopsy. **B**, Patients who started ruxolitinib treatment >2 years since their last biopsy.



Number of patients still at risk

Low Grade	155	152	139	122	108	95	81	71	61	57	50	43	34	23	13	10	7	7	7	7	4	0	
High Grade	561	541	476	401	336	279	236	208	180	153	129	109	90	65	44	29	23	15	15	14	8	3	0



Number of patients still at risk

Low Grade	113	107	96	89	74	66	63	57	56	51	47	45	39	33	29	23	19	16	14	12	5	2	0
High Grade	291	271	243	213	194	168	140	129	123	106	91	84	66	55	40	27	19	12	11	9	7	1	0

CI, confidence interval; NE, not estimable; PMF, primary myelofibrosis.

CONCLUSIONI

- aumento del grado BMF è correlato a un livello più basso OS
- riduzione delle dimensioni spleniche a W24 è correlata a una OS migliore negli studi COMFORT I e II
- la tp di prima linea con ruxolitinib è un predittore indipendente della risposta splenica
- pz con LGF e HGF hanno ottenuto benefici clinici da ruxolitinib, dai dati sulla risposta della milza, sull'OS e sulla PFS
- pz con LGF hanno maggiori benefici rispetto ai pz con HGF
- Inizio ruxolitinib subito dopo la diagnosi migliora i risultati
- risp splenica a w 24 per i pz con HGF > per chi iniziato la tp entro 2aa dalla diagnosi e dall'ultima biopsia



A prognostic model to predict survival after 6 months of ruxolitinib in patients with myelofibrosis

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RR6 MODEL

Ruxolitinib dose <20 mg bid	1 point
RBC transfusion at 3 and/or 6 months	1 point
Spleen reduction length <30% at 3 and 6 months	1.5 point
Need RBC transfusion at all timepoints	1.5 point

Low risk	0 points
Intermediate risk	1,1.5,2 points
High risk	2,5-4 points



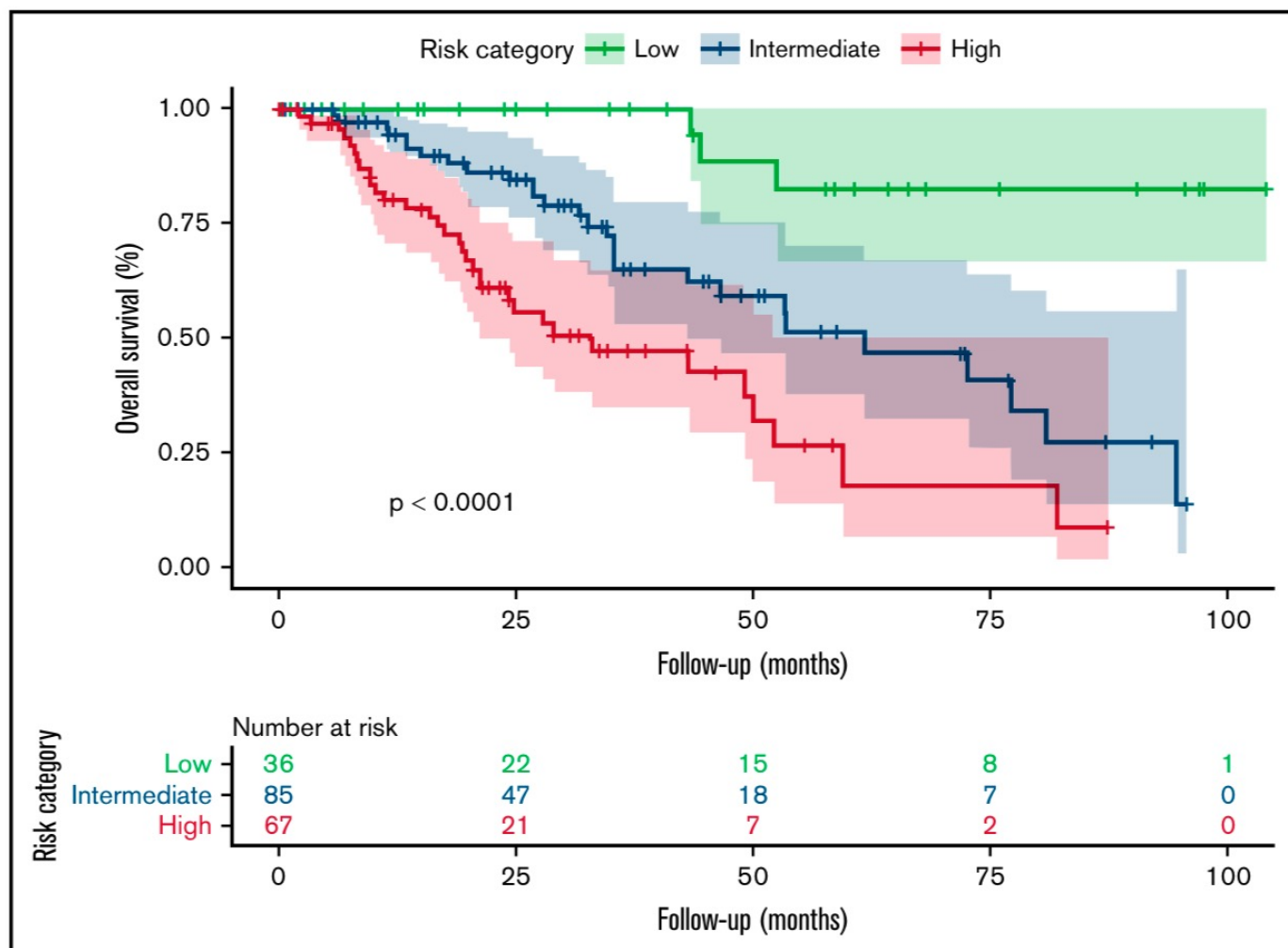
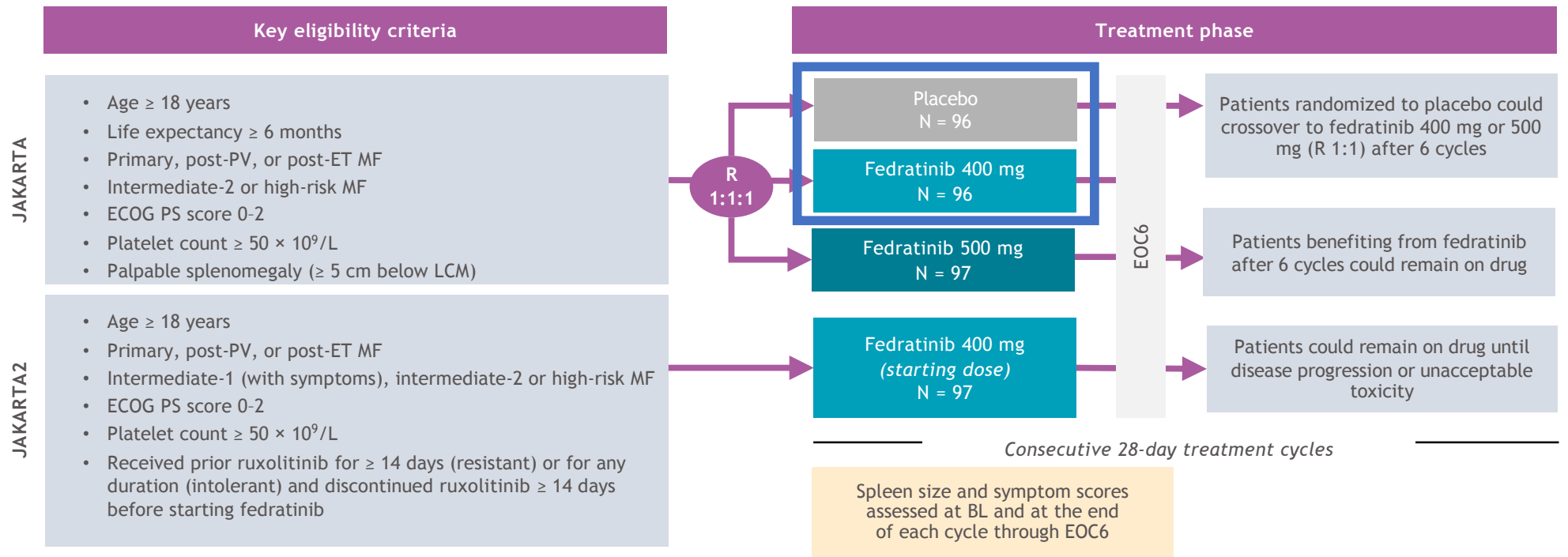


Figure 2. Actuarial survival curves of the 3 risk groups of patients according to the Response to Ruxolitinib After 6 Months (RR6) model developed in RUX-treated MF patients (training cohort).

JAKARTA and JAKARTA2: study design and key eligibility criteria



Regulatory approvals of FEDR:

- United States approval in Aug 2019
- European Union approval in Feb 2021

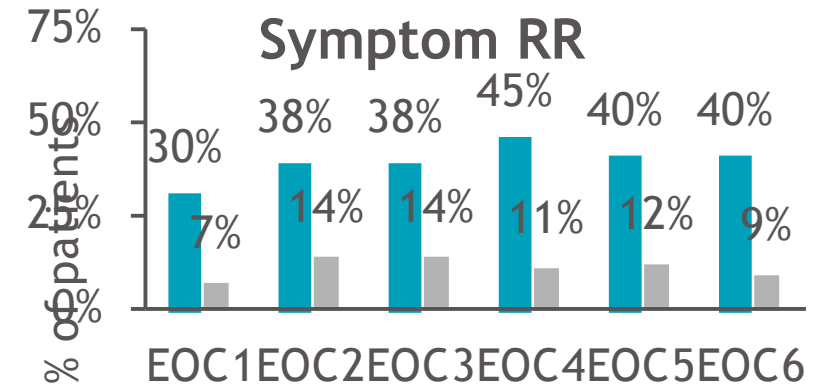
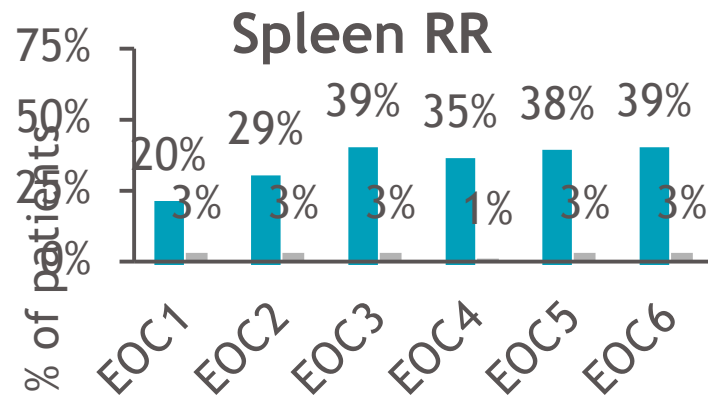
Major FEDR clinical trials in MF:

- JAKARTA: Ph. 3, JAKi-naïve; *completed*
- JAKARTA2: Ph. 2, post-RUX; *completed*
- FREEDOM: Ph. 3b, post-RUX; *ongoing*
- FREEDOM2: Ph. 3, post-RUX; *ongoing*

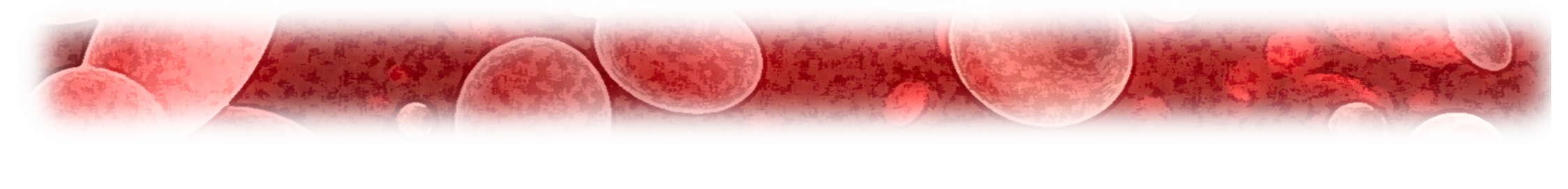
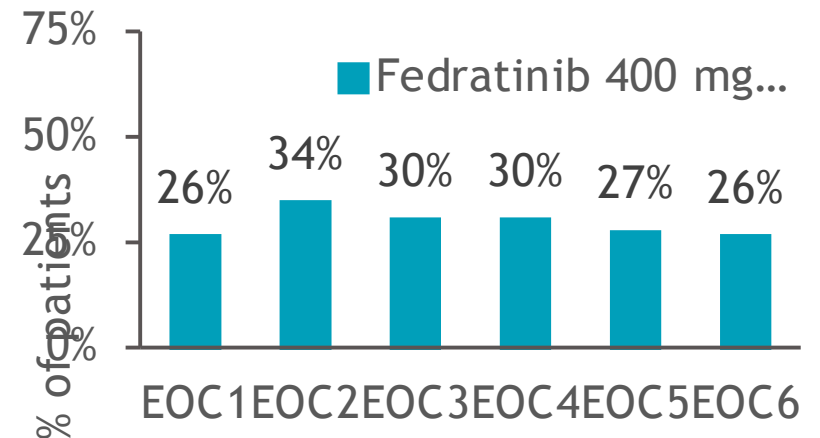
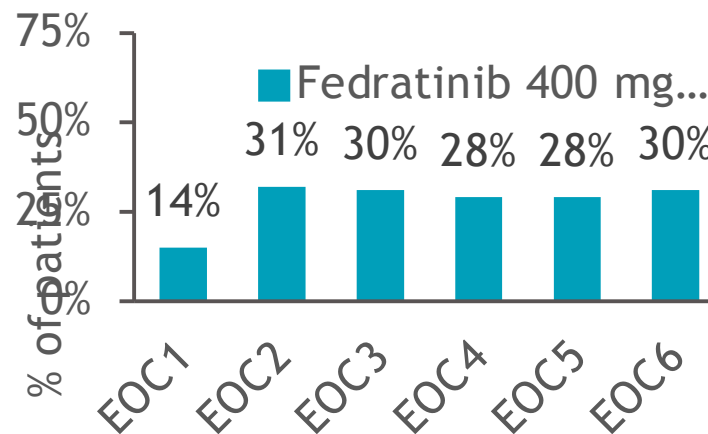
JAKARTA and JAKARTA2: Spleen and symptom response rate

Passamonti F. et al., Presented at the 25th Congress of the European Hematology Association (EHA), June 11-14, 2020

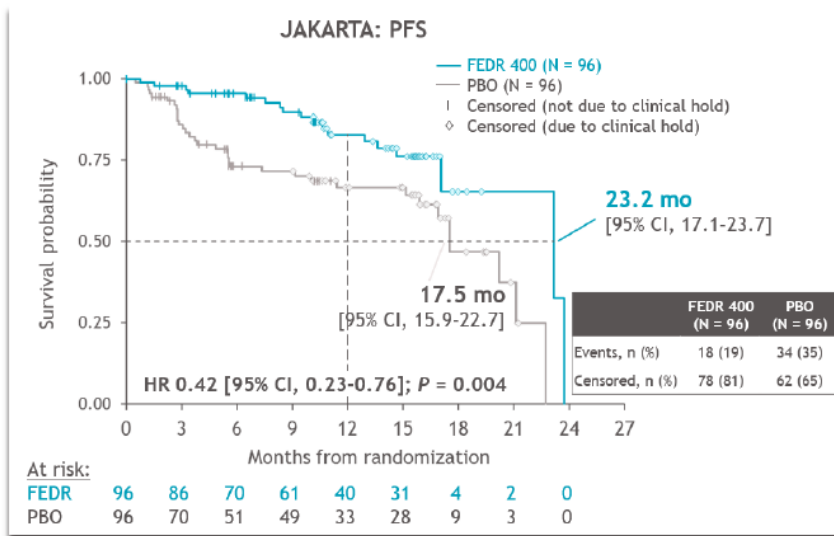
JAKARTA



JAKARTA2



JAKARTA: PFS and OS

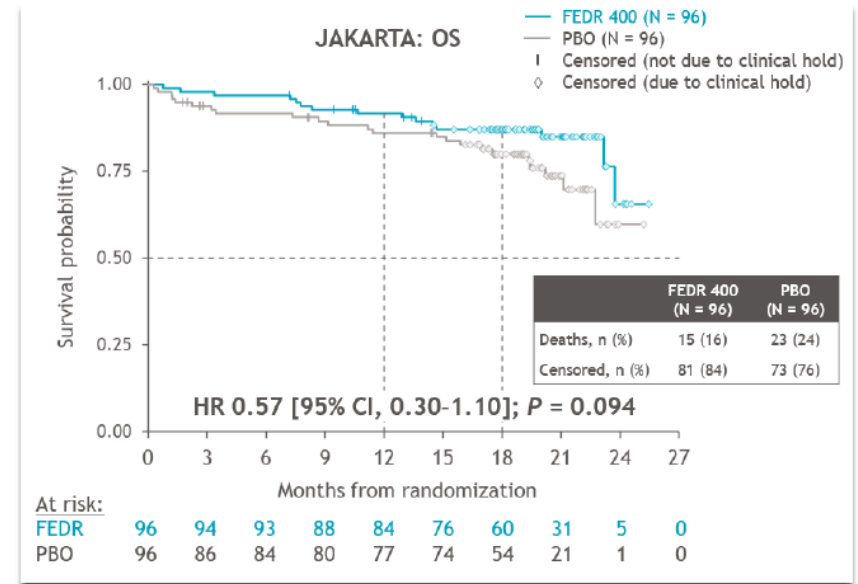


FEDR 400 significantly reduced the risk of disease progression vs. PBO ($P = 0.004$)
 Median PFS was 5.7 months longer in the FEDR 400 arm vs. PBO: 23.2 vs. 17.5 mo, respectively. 1-year PFS: FEDR 400 83%, PBO 67%

80 pts (42%) were still being followed for PFS at the time of clinical hold
 Median follow-up: FEDR 400, 10.6 mo; PBO, 9.1 mo

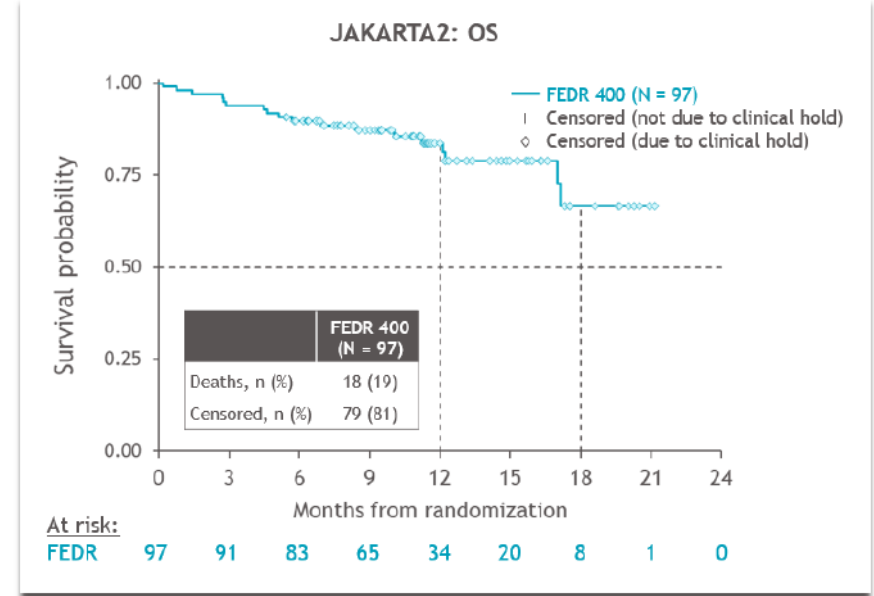
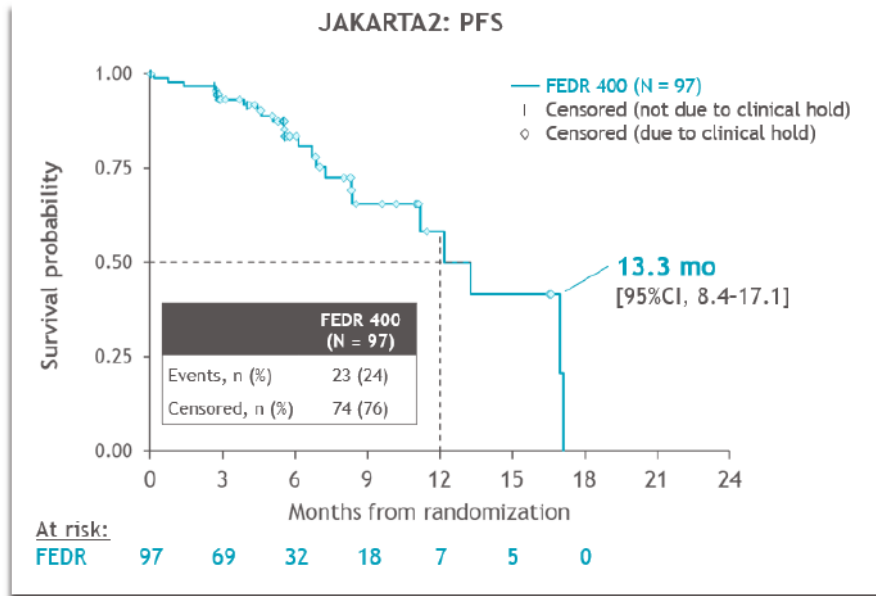
AML transformation was reported in 3 pts (3%) in the FEDR 400 arm and 2 pts (2%) in the PBO arm^a

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- Median OS was not reached (NR) in the FEDR 400 [95%CI, 23.7 mo - NR] or PBO [22.7 - NR] arm
 - 1-year OS rates: FEDR 400 mg, 92%; PBO, 86%
 - 18-mo OS rates: FEDR 400 mg, 87%; PBO, 80%
- ITT analysis; 74% of PBO-randomized pts crossed-over to FEDR after EOC6
- 139 pts (72%) were censored for OS at the time of clinical hold
 - Median follow-up: FEDR 400 mg, 19.3 mo; PBO, 18.8 mo

JAKARTA2: PFS and OS



- **Median PFS was 13.3 mo**
 - 1-year PFS rate was 59%
- 62 pts (64%) were still being followed for PFS at the time of clinical hold
 - Median follow-up: 5.6 mo
- 2 pts (2%) experienced transformation to AML during the JAKARTA2 Tx period^a

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- **Median OS was NR [95%CI, 17.1 - NR]**
 - 1-year and 18-mo OS rates were 84% and 67%, respectively
- 79 pts (81%) were censored for OS at the time of clinical hold
 - Median follow-up: 10.8 mo

FREEDOM

OBJECTIVE:

Assess the efficacy and safety of the JAK2 inhibitor, fedratinib, in patients with myelofibrosis previously treated with RUX

EA MITIGATION STRATEGIES:

FREEDOM includes proactive strategies to mitigate potential safety concerns, such as GI AEs, thiamine level decreases, and potential encephalopathy (including Wernicke's encephalopathy [WE])

AE, adverse event; FREEDOM, A Trial of Fedratinib in Subjects With DIPSS, Intermediate or High-Risk Primary Myelofibrosis, Post-Polycythemia Vera Myelofibrosis, or Post-Essential Thrombocythemia Myelofibrosis and Previously Treated With Ruxolitinib; GI, gastrointestinal; MF, myelofibrosis; RUX, ruxolitinib; WE, Wernicke's encephalopathy.
Gupta V. et al., ASH 2022 poster 1711

Fedratinib GI Mitigation Strategy



Administration with a **high fat meal** may reduce the incidence of nausea and vomiting, therefore it is recommended to be taken with food; exposure to fedratinib is not affected by food

Nausea and Diarrhea Treatment

Nausea

- It is recommended that **prophylactic anti emetics** (e.g. 5 HT3 receptor antagonists) be used according to local practice for the first 8 weeks of treatment and continued thereafter as clinically indicated

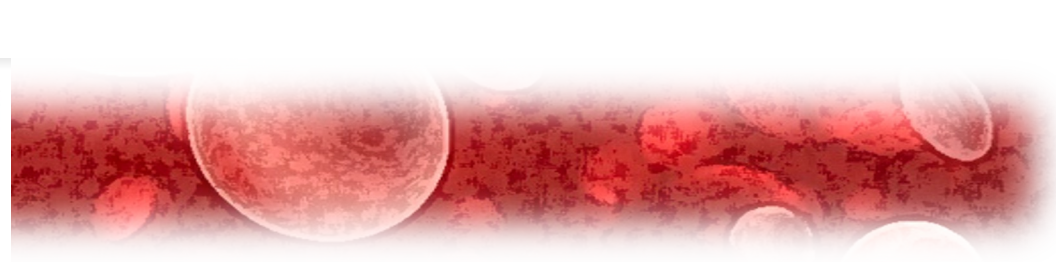
Diarrhea

- Treat diarrhea with **anti-diarrheal medications** promptly at the first onset of symptoms

Dose Interruptions

- For Grade ≥ 3 nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea not responsive to supportive measures within 48 hours, **interrupt fedratinib** until resolved to Grade ≤ 1 or baseline
- Restart dose at 100 mg daily below the last given dose. Monitor thiamine levels and replenish as needed





Real-World Use of Fedratinib for Myelofibrosis Following Prior Ruxolitinib Failure: Patient Characteristics, Treatment Patterns, and Clinical Outcomes

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Figure 1 Best reduction in spleen size during the initial 6 months of fedratinib treatment among patients with palpable spleen at fedratinib initiation (n = 112) Best percentage reduction in spleen size = greatest numeric reduction in spleen size at any point compared with an initiation of FEDR. Abbreviation: FEDR = fedratinib.

Best percent reduction in spleen size during the initial 6 months of fedratinib treatment (n = 112 with palpable spleen at fedratinib initiation)

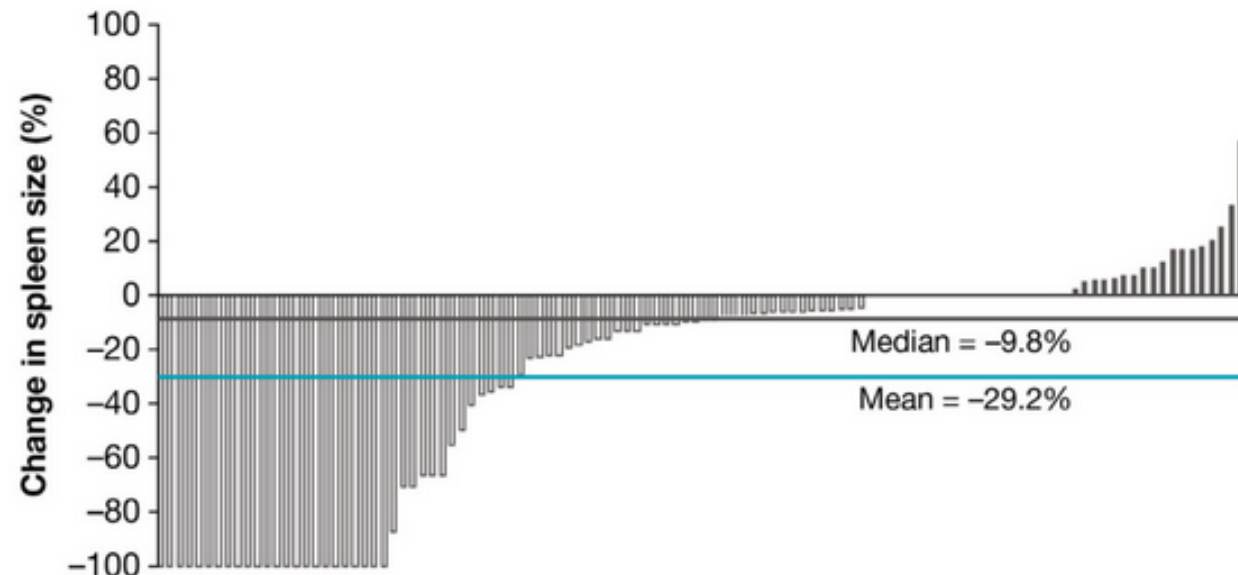
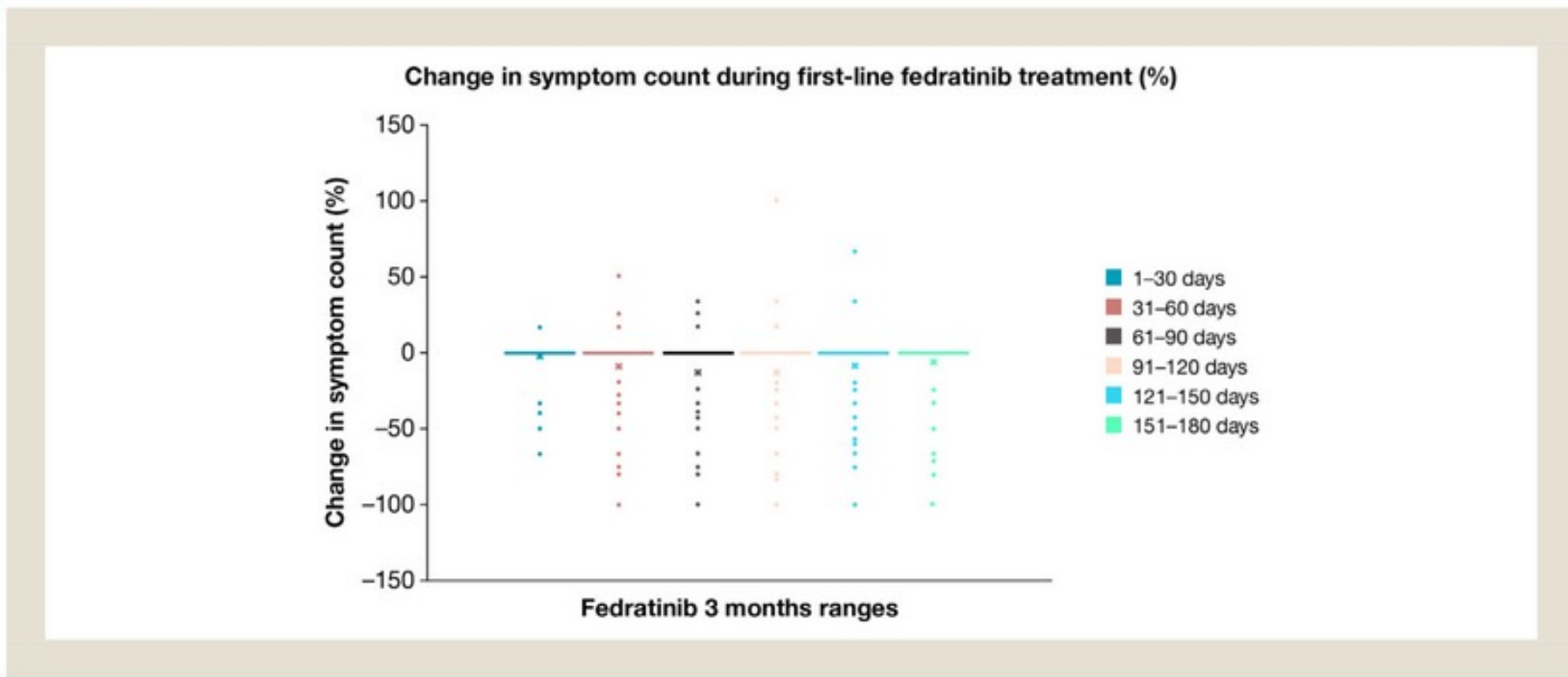


Figure 2 Percent change in symptom counts over the initial 6 months of fedratinib treatment among patients who had symptoms present at initiation (N = 141). Abbreviation: FEDR = fedratinib.



HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use OJJAARA safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for OJJAARA.

OJJAARA (momelotinib) tablets, for oral use
Initial U.S. Approval: 2023

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

OJJAARA is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of intermediate or high-risk myelofibrosis (MF), including primary MF or secondary MF [post-polycythemia vera (PV) and post-essential thrombocythemia (ET)], in adults with anemia. (1)

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Recommended dosage: 200 mg orally once daily with or without food. (2.1)
- Severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class C): Reduce the starting dose to 150 mg orally once daily. (2.3)

DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Tablets: 100 mg, 150 mg, 200 mg. (3)

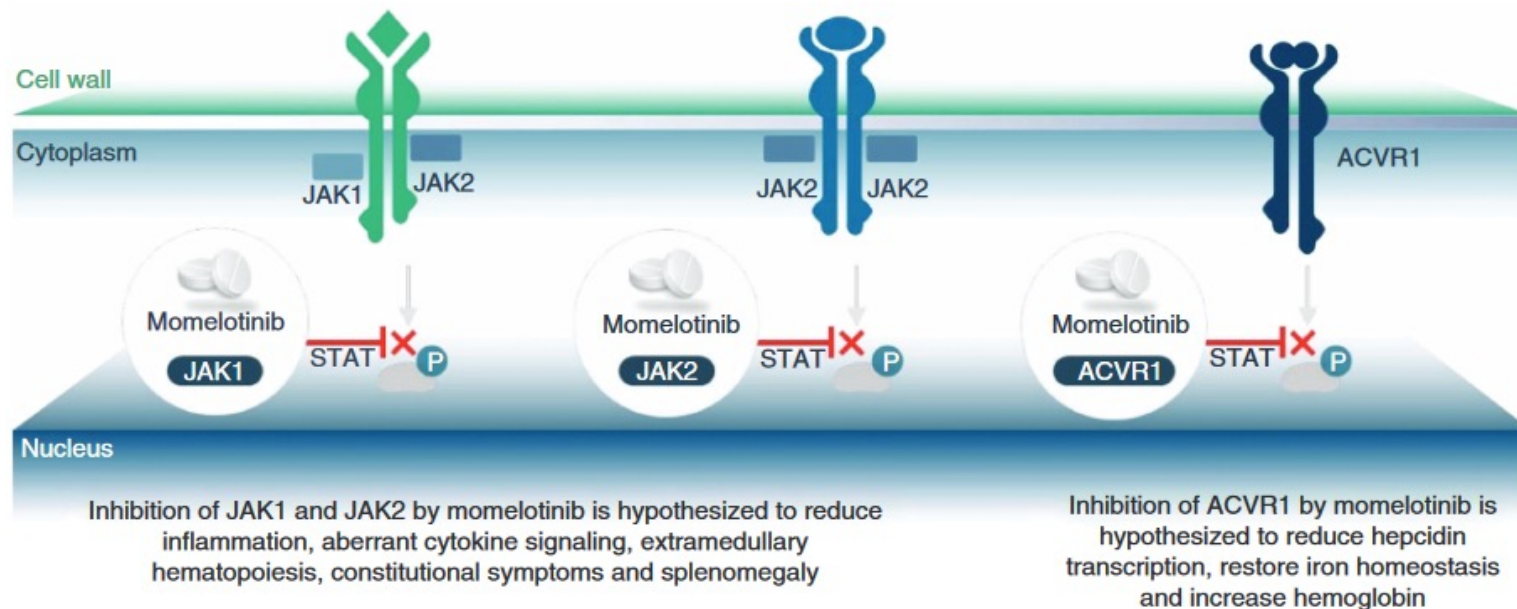
Momelotinib for the treatment of myelofibrosis with anemia

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SIMPLIFY-1: A Phase III Randomized Trial of Momelotinib Versus Ruxolitinib in Janus Kinase Inhibitor–Naïve Patients With Myelofibrosis

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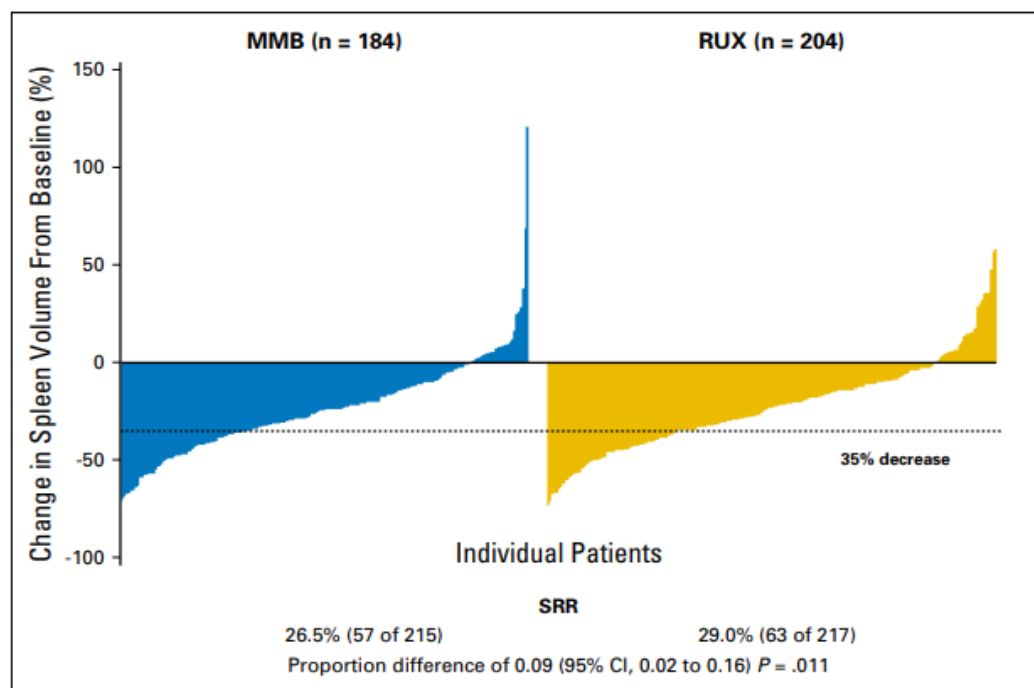


Fig 1. Change in spleen volume and spleen response rate (percentage of patients with a $\geq 35\%$ reduction in spleen volume) at week 24. MMB, momelotinib; RUX, ruxolitinib; SRR, spleen response rate.

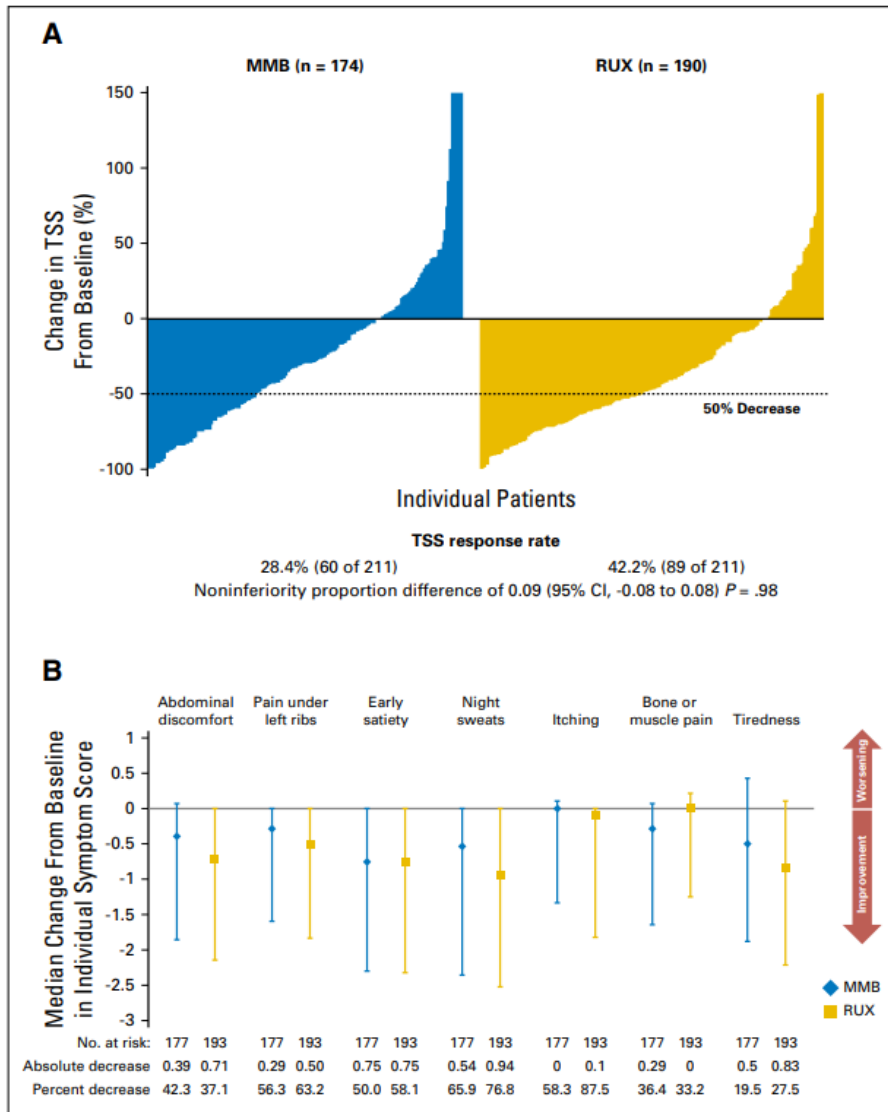


Fig 2. (A) Change in Total Symptom Score (TSS) from baseline and TSS response rate (percentage of patients with $\geq 50\%$ reduction in TSS) at week 24. (B) Absolute and percent changes in individual symptoms of the Myeloproliferative Neoplasm Symptom Assessment Form from baseline to week 24. MMB, momelotinib; RUX, ruxolitinib.



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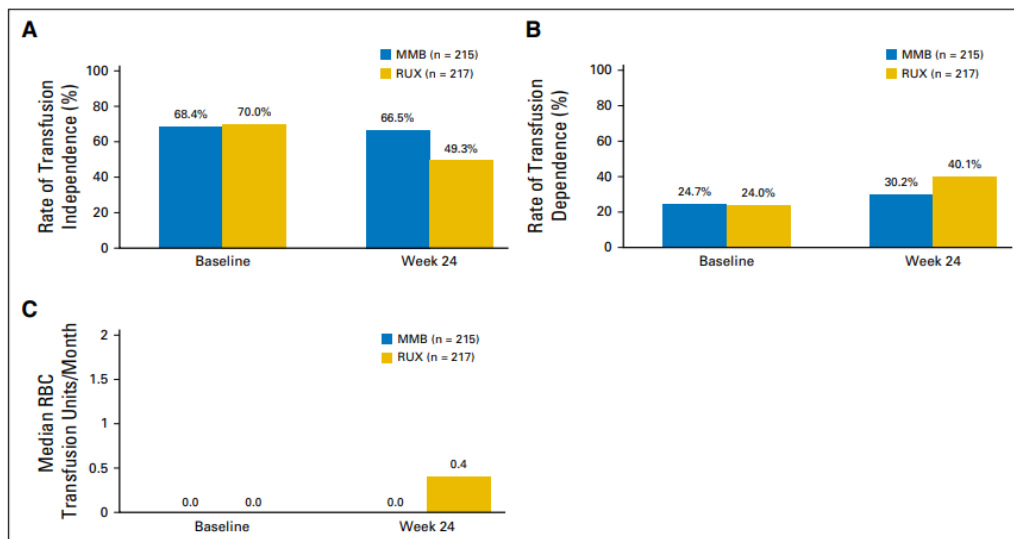


Fig 3. Comparison of momelotinib (MMB) and ruxolitinib (RUX) effects on transfusion requirements at week 24. (A) RBC transfusion independence rate (no RBC transfusion and no hemoglobin [Hb] < 8 g/dL in the prior 12 weeks; nominal $P < .001$). (B) RBC transfusion dependence rate (≥ 4 units of RBC transfusion or Hb < 8 g/dL in the prior 8 weeks; nominal $P = .019$). (C) Rate of RBC transfusions through week 24 (nominal $P < .001$).

Table 2. Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events Occurring in $\geq 10\%$ of Either Treatment Group

Treatment-Emergent Adverse Event	Double-Blind Phase	
	Momelotinib (n = 214)	Ruxolitinib (n = 216)
Thrombocytopenia	40 (18.7)	63 (29.2)
Diarrhea	38 (17.8)	43 (19.9)
Headache	37 (17.3)	43 (19.9)
Dizziness	34 (15.9)	25 (11.6)
Nausea	34 (15.9)	8 (3.7)
Fatigue	31 (14.5)	26 (12.0)
Anemia	29 (13.6)	82 (38.0)
Abdominal pain	22 (10.3)	24 (11.1)

NOTE. Data presented as No. (%).

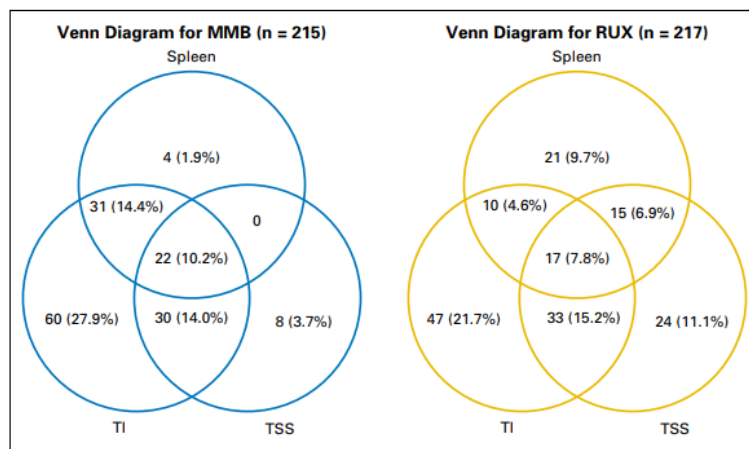


Fig 4. Patients (n, %) who achieved spleen response ($\geq 35\%$ reduction in spleen volume), Total Symptom Score (TSS) response ($\geq 50\%$ reduction in score), and transfusion independence (TI; no RBC transfusion and no Hb < 8 g/dL in the prior 12 weeks) at week 24. MMB, momelotinib; RUX, ruxolitinib.

Momelotinib versus danazol in symptomatic patients with anaemia and myelofibrosis (MOMENTUM): results from an international, double-blind, randomised, controlled, phase 3 study



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The primary endpoint was MFSAF TSS response rate at week 24, defined as the proportion of patients with a 50% or more reduction in mean MFSAF TSS over the 28 days immediately before the end of week 24 compared with baseline

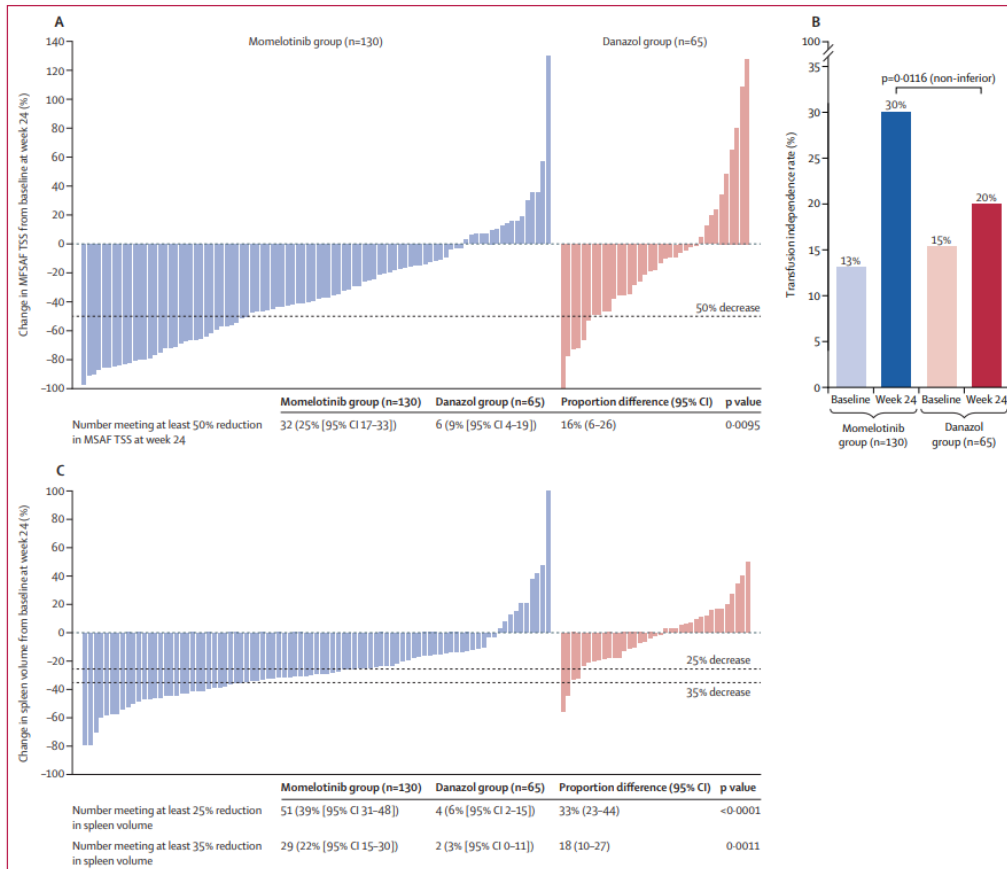


Figure 2: Change in symptom scores, transfusion independence, and spleen volume (A) Percentage change of TSS from baseline to week 24 for each patient. (B) Change in transfusion independence rate from baseline to week 24. (C) Percentage change of spleen volume from baseline to week 24 for each patient. MFSAF, Myelofibrosis Symptom Assessment Form; TSS, total symptom score.

	Momelotinib group (n=130)		Danazol group (n=65)	
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3
Non-haematological abnormalities (preferred term)				
Diarrhoea	29 (22%)	0	6 (9%)	1 (2%)
Nausea	21 (16%)	3 (2%)	6 (9%)	2 (3%)
Asthenia	17 (13%)	1 (1%)	6 (9%)	1 (2%)
Pruritus	14 (11%)	2 (2%)	7 (11%)	0
Weight decreased	14 (11%)	0	4 (6%)	0
Blood creatinine increased	10 (8%)	1 (1%)	10 (15%)	2 (3%)
Dyspnoea	10 (8%)	3 (2%)	9 (14%)	1 (2%)
Peripheral oedema	10 (8%)	2 (2%)	9 (14%)	0
Fatigue	8 (6%)	1 (1%)	7 (11%)	2 (3%)
Acute kidney injury	6 (5%)	4 (3%)	8 (12%)	6 (9%)
Haematological abnormalities*				
Anaemia	129 (99%)	79 (61%)	65 (100%)	49 (75%)
Thrombocytopenia	99 (76%)	36 (28%)	40 (62%)	17 (26%)
Neutropenia	38 (29%)	16 (12%)	17 (26%)	6 (9%)

Data are n (%). *Haematological abnormalities are based on laboratory values. The data shown are for events of the worst grade during the 24-week randomised treatment phase of the study, regardless of whether this grade was a change from baseline.

Table 3: Treatment-emergent adverse events observed in at least 10% of patients in either treatment group during the 24-week randomised treatment period

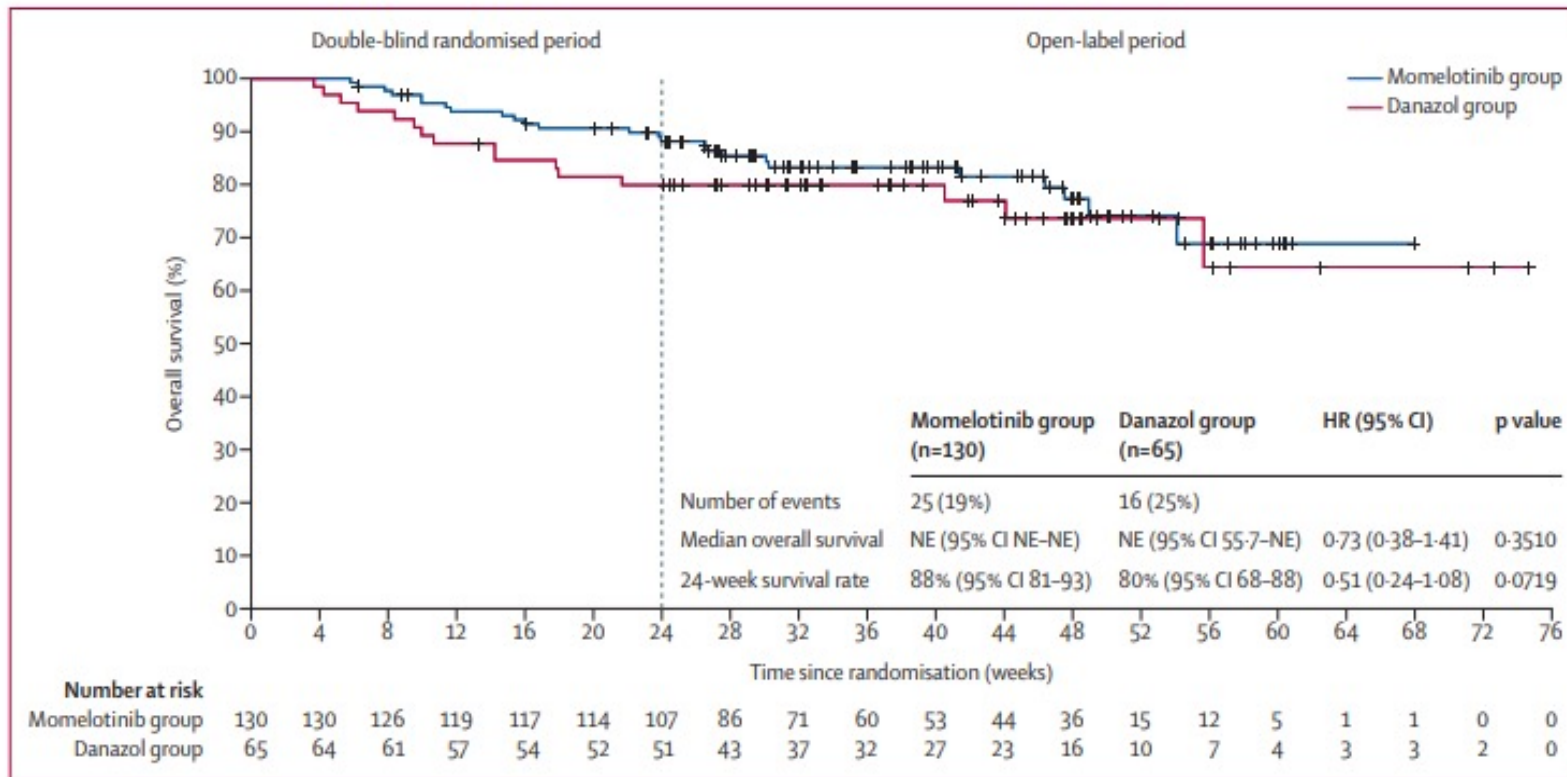


Figure 3: Overall survival in the intention-to-treat population

Kaplan-Meier estimates of overall survival in the intention-to-treat population from the time of randomisation to the data cutoff date (Dec 3, 2021). The vertical line at week 24 indicates the transition between the double-blind randomised period and the open-label period when patients ongoing in the study started receiving open-label momelotinib treatment. p value from a stratified log-rank test; HR (momelotinib group vs danazol group) from a stratified Cox proportional hazards model with a single factor of treatment group and stratified by baseline stratification factors. HR=hazard ratio. NE=not estimable.

In conclusion, treatment with momelotinib was associated with clinically significant improvements in myelofibrosis-associated symptoms, anaemia measures, and spleen size, with favourable safety compared with danazol in symptomatic patients with anaemia and previous JAK inhibitor exposure.



HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

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VONJO™ (pacritinib) capsules, for oral use
Initial U.S. Approval: 2023

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

VONJO is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adults with intermediate or high-risk primary or secondary (post-polycythemia vera or post-essential thrombocythemia) myelofibrosis with a platelet count below $50 \times 10^9/L$ (1).

This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on spleen volume reduction. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in a confirmatory trial(s).

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Recommended dosage is 200 mg orally twice daily (2.1).
- May be taken with or without food (2.1).

DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Capsules: 100 mg (3)

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Pacritinib vs Best Available Therapy, Including Ruxolitinib, in Patients With Myelofibrosis A Randomized Clinical Trial

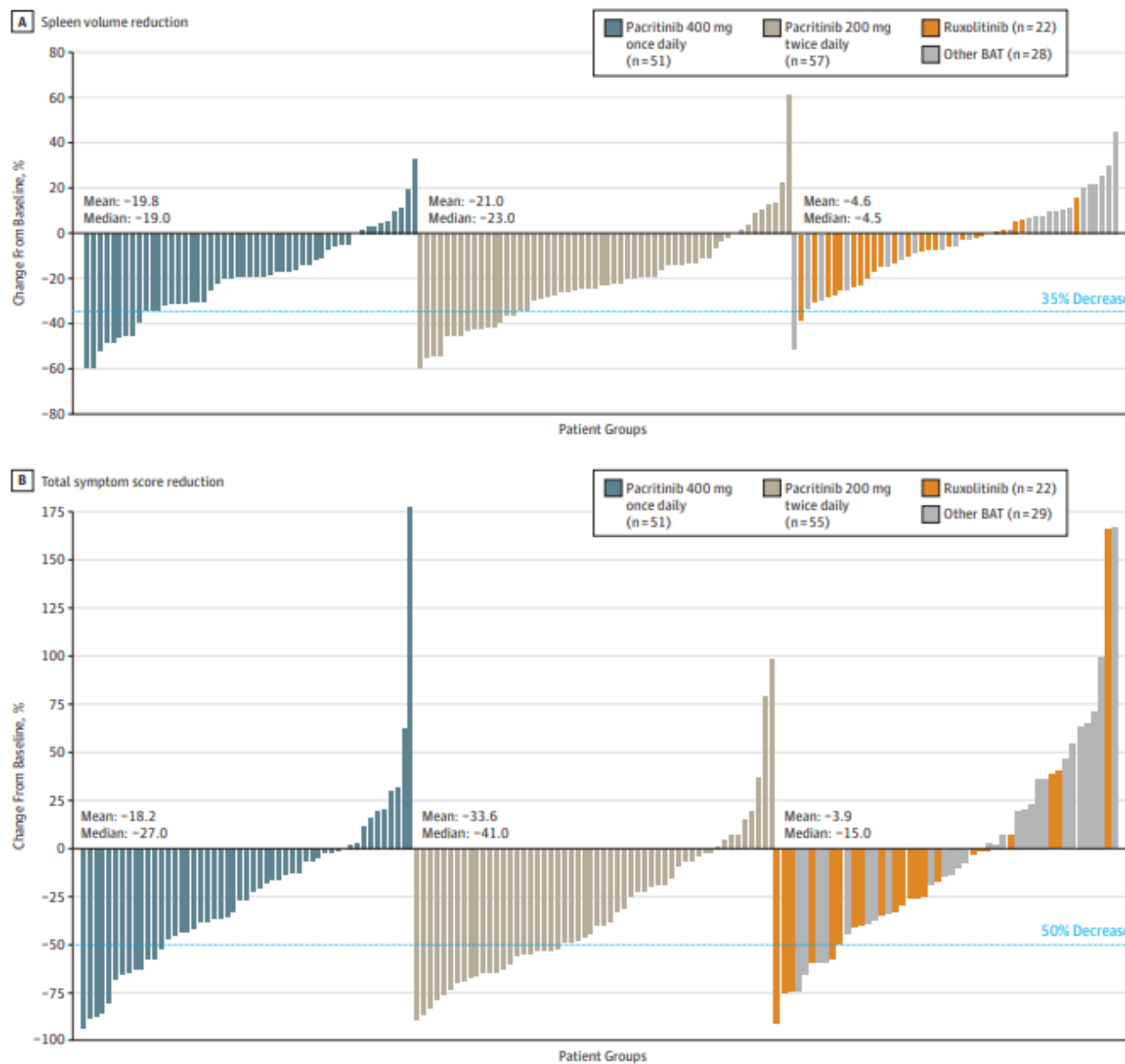
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Adult patients with primary or secondary myelofibrosis were eligible if they had intermediate-1, intermediate-2, or high risk disease by the Dynamic International Prognostic Scoring System (DIPSS), platelet count less than or equal to $100 \times 10^9 /L$, and palpable splenomegaly 5 cm or larger below the left costal margin.

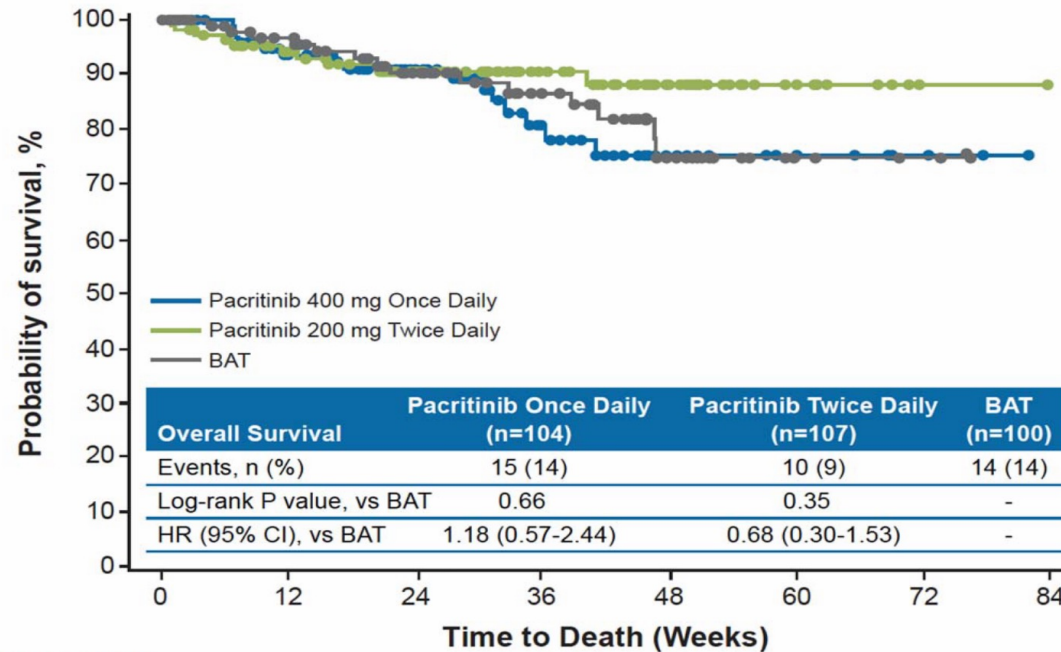
Patients were centrally randomized 1:1:1 via interactive web or voice response system to pacritinib 400 mg once daily, pacritinib 200 mg twice daily, or BAT; BAT included any physician selected treatment for myelofibrosis, symptom-directed treatment, or watch-and-wait



Figure 2. Spleen Volume Reduction and Reduction in Total Symptom Score in Evaluable Patients



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	Patients at Risk, n							
	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84
Pacritinib 400 mg Once Daily	104	80	55	31	13	7	3	0
Pacritinib 200 mg Twice Daily	107	85	62	41	22	9	1	0
BAT	100	83	60	41	18	4	2	0

eFigure 4. Overall Survival (Intention-to-Treat, Censored at Date of Clinical Hold).

Kaplan-Meier estimates of overall survival are shown for the 3 treatment arms. Prior to week 24, overall survival was similar across the 3 arms, while after week 24, there was a trend towards improved survival with pacritinib twice daily, though it did not reach statistical significance. Abbreviations: BAT, best available therapy; BID, twice daily; HR, hazard ratio; RBC, red blood cell.

Conclusions

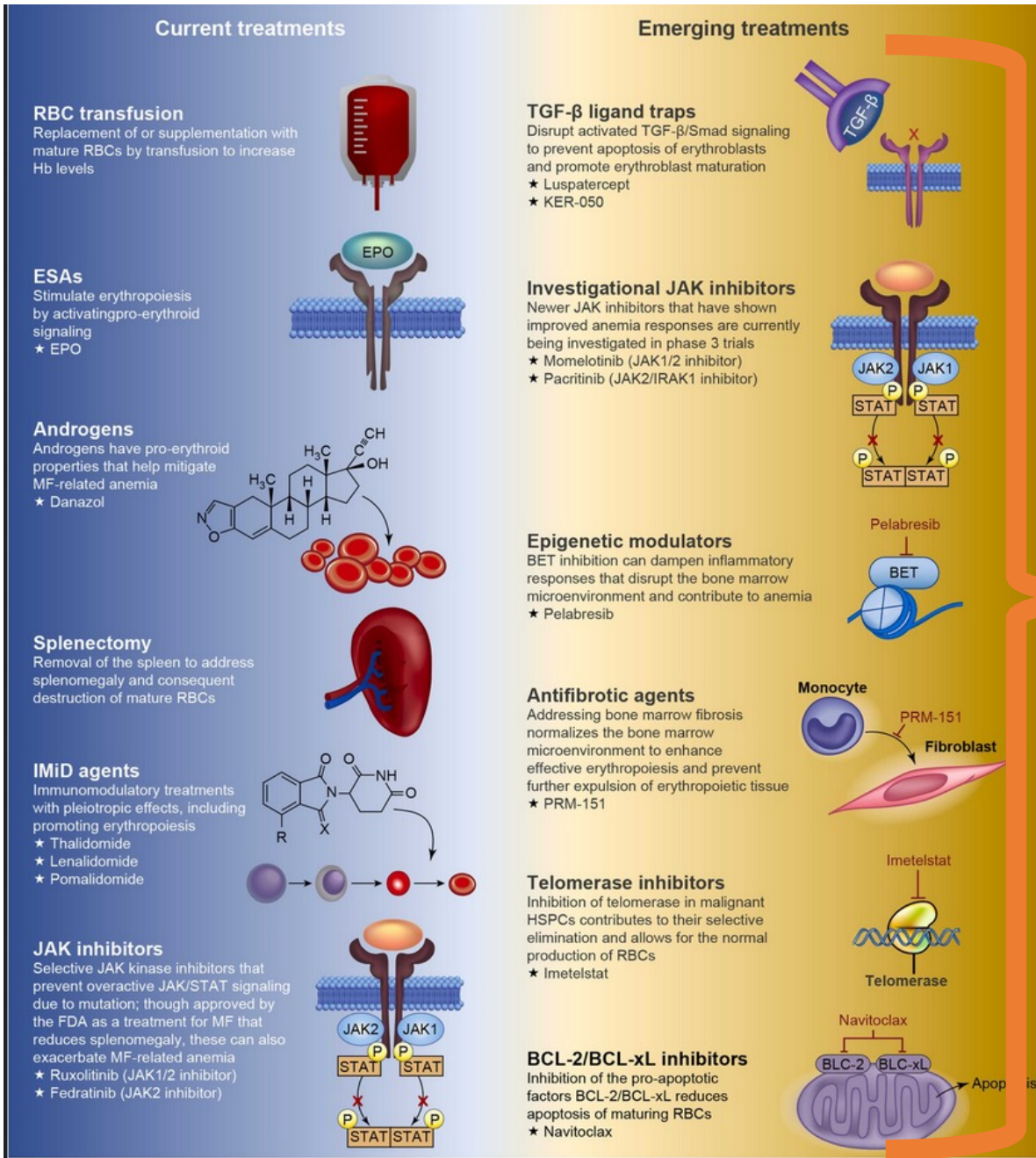
The results of PERSIST-2 demonstrate the clinical benefit of pacritinib in patients with myelofibrosis and thrombocytopenia including those with prior JAK2i therapy

The benefit of pacritinib in terms of SVR and TSS reduction was observed in patients with baseline platelet count less than $50 \times 10^9 /L$ and those with prior ruxolitinib treatment

The pacritinib twice daily arm met both coprimary SVR and TSS reduction end points, and reduce grade and frequency of gastrointestinal toxic effects

Clinical improvement in hemoglobin and reduction in transfusion requirements were also more frequent in patients who received pacritinib, particularly with twice-daily dosing





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A microscopic view of numerous red blood cells, appearing as biconcave discs, scattered across a dark red background. The cells vary in size and focus, creating a sense of depth.

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