

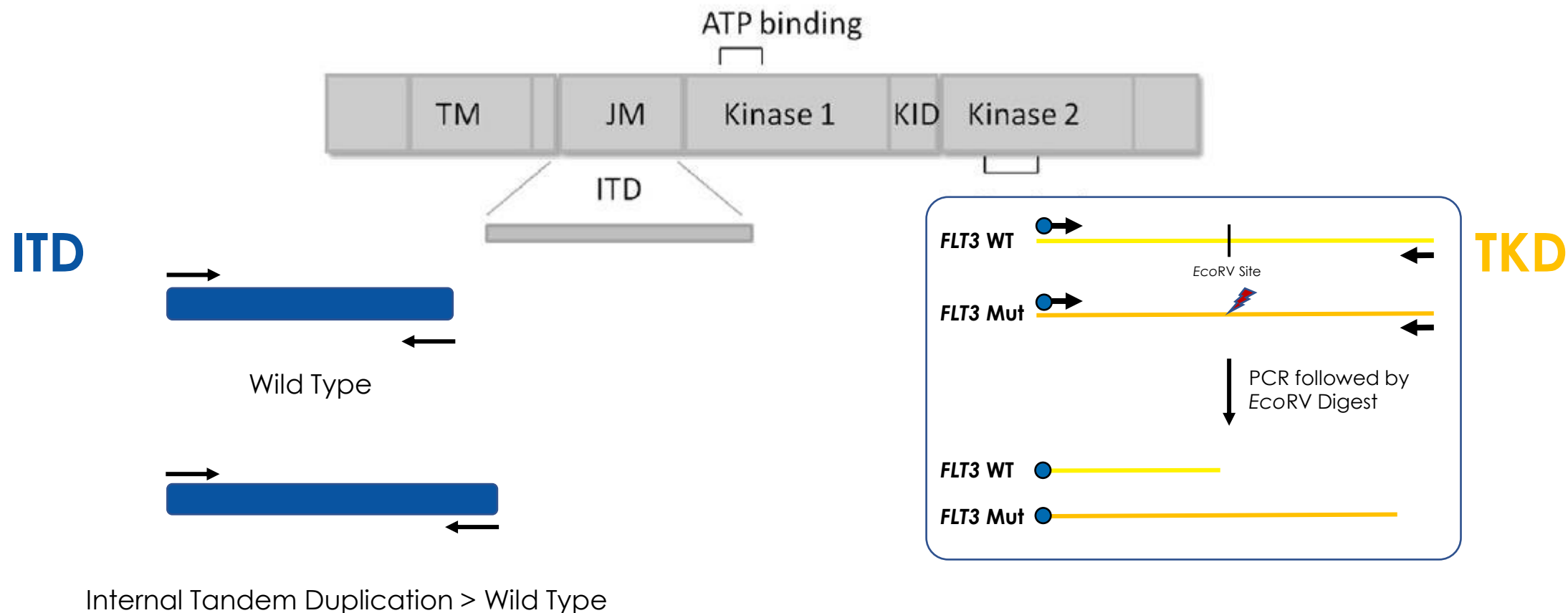
FLT3-ITD is a common driver mutation in about 1/3 of AML patients and presents with a high leukemic burden and confers a poor prognosis

- Approximately 25% of all AML cases show a *FLT3* ITD mutation
- About 7-10% of all AML cases have a *FLT3* TKD mutation
- Very important markers for risk stratification and for guiding treatment decisions

Daver et. al, "Targeting FLT3 mutations in AML: review of current knowledge and Evidence", *Leukemia* (2019) 33:299–312

FLT3 ITD and TKD Mutations

Overview of the FLT3 Gene



Adapted from: Liu et al. Tzu Chi Medical Journal 27 (2015) 18e24

Prognostic Value of *FLT3* in AML

Common characteristics:

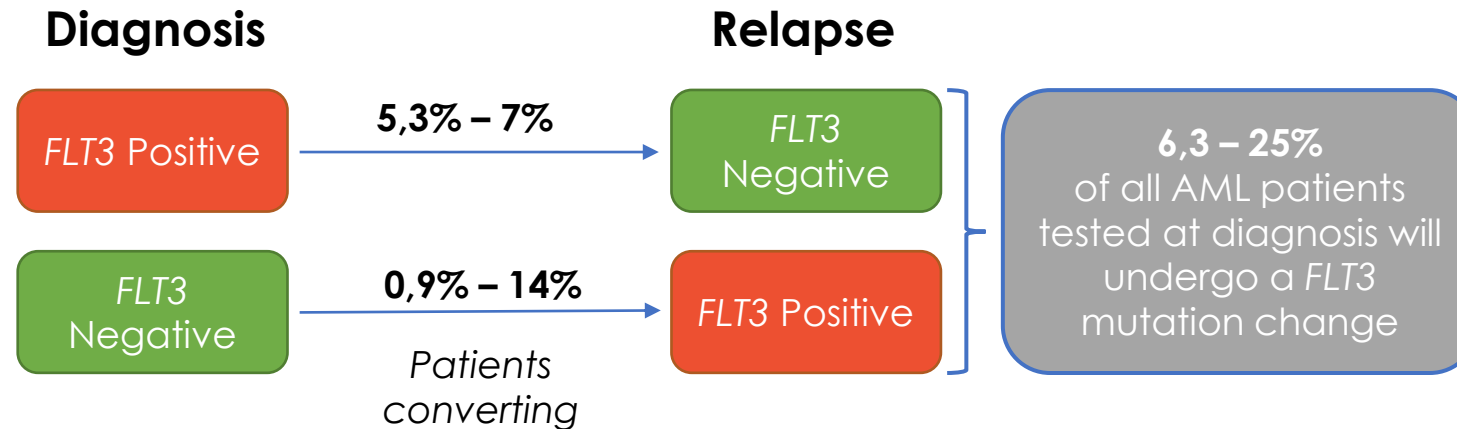
Mutation	Characteristic
<i>FLT3</i> ITD	Most achieve remission with conventional induction chemotherapy, but they have a pronounced tendency to relapse quickly, and do not live as long compared to AML patients of a similar age lacking such a mutation.
<i>FLT3</i> TKD	The <i>FLT3</i> -TKD mutations are less common and they are also clinically actionable.

Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors are approved for *FLT3* ITD and/or *FLT3* TKD mutations.

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Nature. 2012;485(7397):260-263

Prognostic Value of *FLT3* in AML

- FLT3* mutations are unstable and can be gained or lost during disease progression

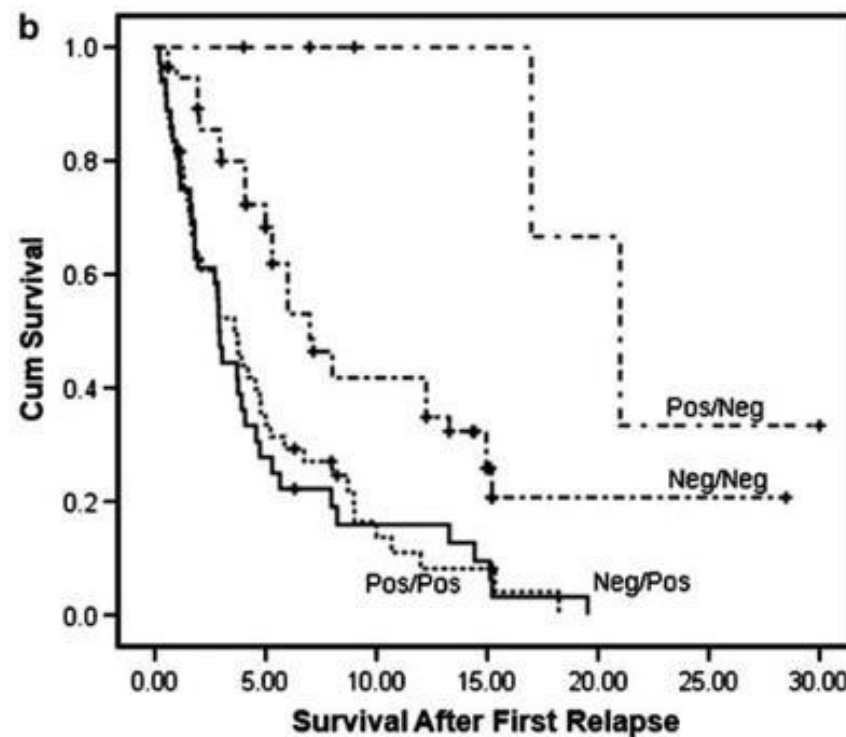
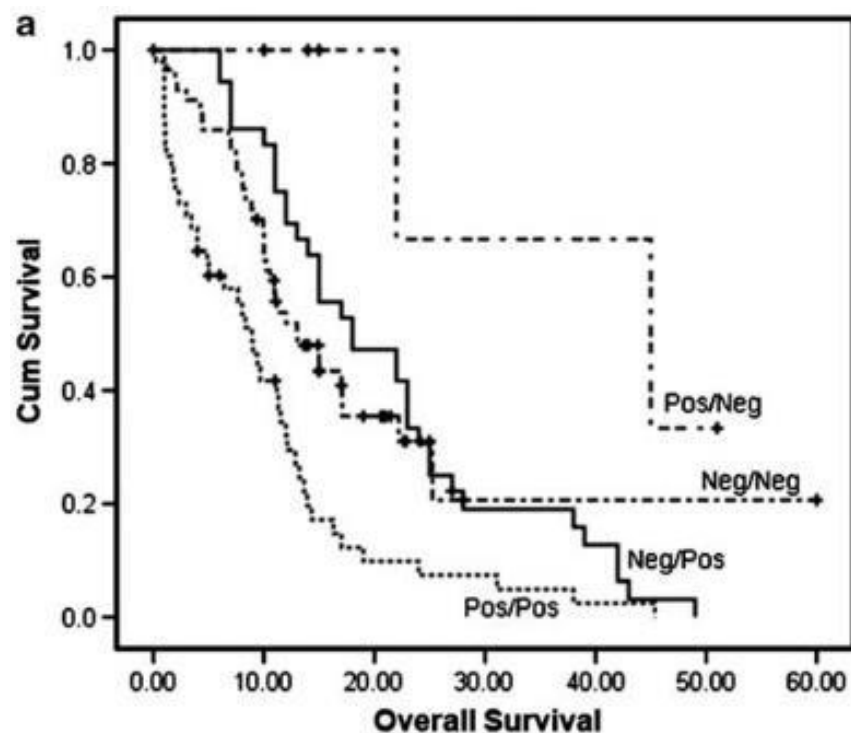


- Testing** for *FLT3* mutations **at multiple time points** is important as the status can change from the initial diagnosis to the relapse and refractory states of the disease

Prognostic Value of *FLT3* in AML

Changes in *FLT3* mutation status is an important prognostic factor

- Study of 3355 patients



FLT3 testing is recommended as part of international AML guidelines



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Risk category*	Genetic abnormality
Favorable	t(8;21)(q22;q22.1); <i>RUNX1-RUNX1T1</i> inv(16)(p13.1q22) or t(16;16)(p13.1;q22); <i>CBFB-MYH11</i> <u>Mutated <i>NPM1</i> without <i>FLT3</i>-ITD or with <i>FLT3</i>-ITD^{low†}</u> Biallelic mutated <i>CEBPA</i>
Intermediate	<u>Mutated <i>NPM1</i> and <i>FLT3</i>-ITD^{high†}</u> <u>Wild-type <i>NPM1</i> without <i>FLT3</i>-ITD or with <i>FLT3</i>-ITD^{low†} (without adverse-risk genetic lesions)</u> t(9;11)(p21.3;q23.3); <i>MLLT3-KMT2A‡</i> Cytogenetic abnormalities not classified as favorable or adverse
Adverse	t(6;9)(p23;q34.1); <i>DEK-NUP214</i> t(v;11q23.3); <i>KMT2A</i> rearranged t(9;22)(q34.1;q11.2); <i>BCR-ABL1</i> inv(3)(q21.3q26.2) or t(3;3)(q21.3;q26.2); <i>GATA2,MECOM(EVI1)</i> -5 or del(5q); -7; -17/abn(17p) Complex karyotype,§ monosomal karyotypell <u>Wild-type <i>NPM1</i> and <i>FLT3</i>-ITD^{high†}</u> Mutated <i>RUNX1¶</i> Mutated <i>ASXL1¶</i> Mutated <i>TP53#</i>

Blood. 2017;129(4):424-447

Different opinions in the clinical community



Low allelic ratio (AR) (<0.5); High AR (≥ 0.5)

“Regardless of *FLT3* AR, patients should be considered for bone marrow transplant”

“Though recent studies indicate that AML with NPM1 mutation and *FLT3*-ITD low AR may have a more favorable prognosis and patients should not routinely be assigned to allogeneic HCT”

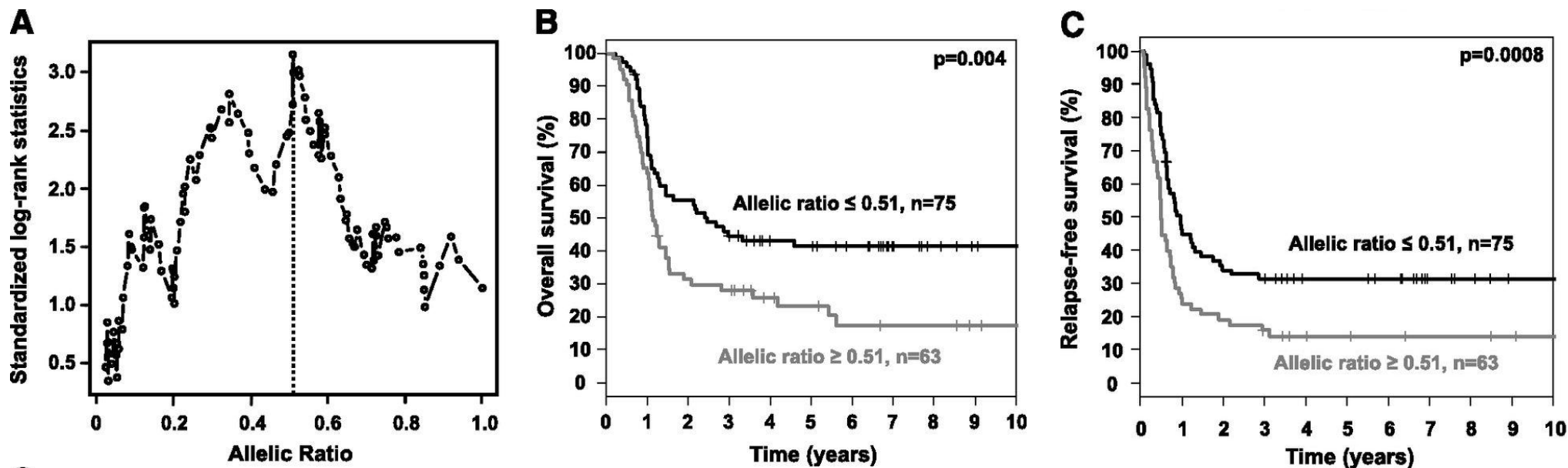
Note: All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated.
Clinical Trials: NCCN believes that the best management of any patient with cancer is in a clinical trial. Participation in clinical trials is especially encouraged.

ELN Studies Cited for AR Criteria

Publication (Trial)	Date	First Author	ITD High Low Cutoff
Blood (UK MRC AML)	2008	Gale	< 25% Low 25% – 50% Int. >50% High
Blood (CETLAM)	2013	Pratcorona	High > 0.5
Blood (UK MRC AML)	2014	Linch	5%-25% Low 25%-50% Int. >50% High
Blood (AMLSG)	2014	Schlenk	High > 0.51
NEJM (Ratify)	2017	Stone	High > 0.7

Impact of *FLT3* AR in OS

Differential impact of allelic ratio and insertion site in *FLT3*-ITD-positive AML with respect to allogeneic transplantation

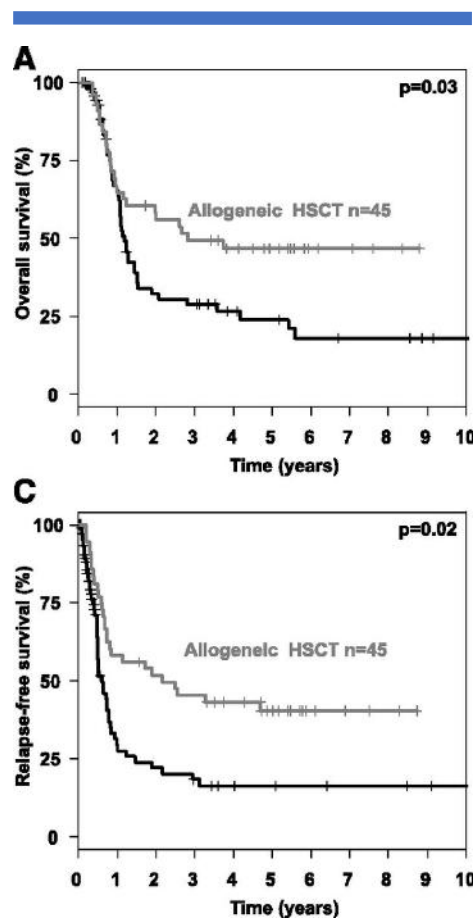


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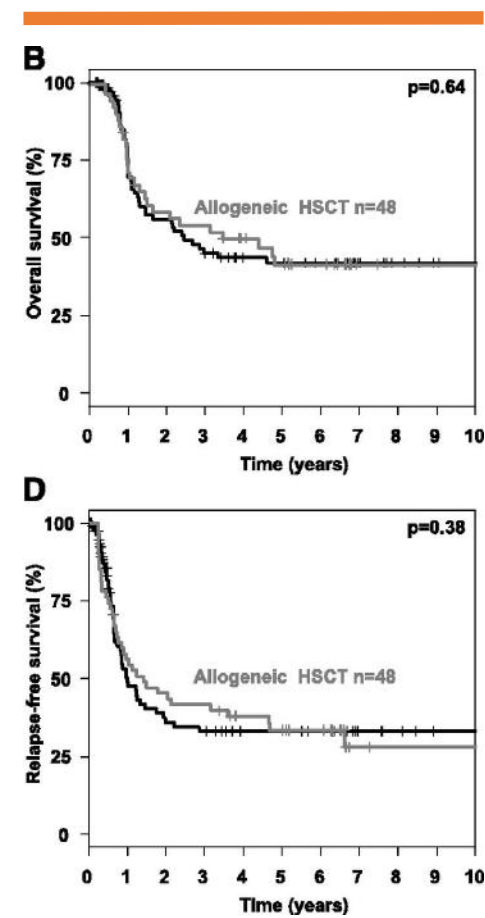
Impact of *FLT3* AR in OS

AR in *FLT3*-ITD–positive AMLs may be useful as a predictive marker indicating whether an alloHSCT in first CR is beneficial in terms of overall outcome.

High ITD



Low ITD



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Prevalence of AML and Mutations



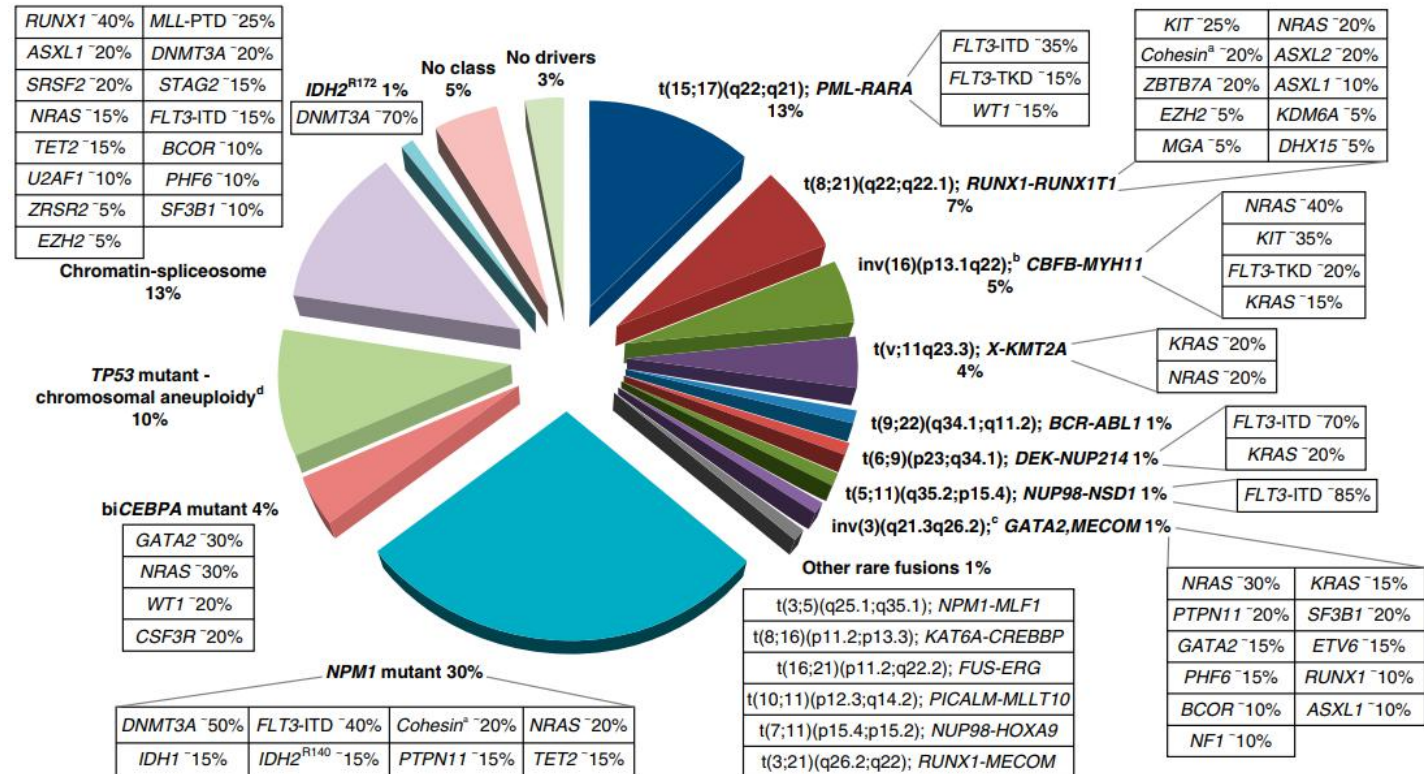
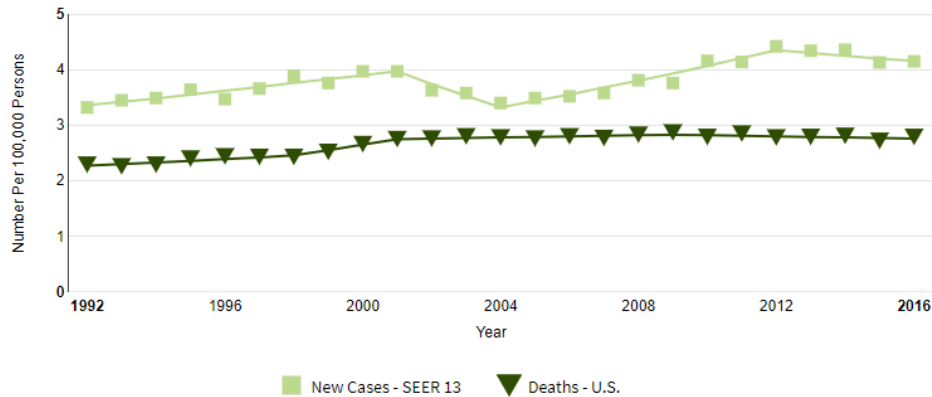
21,450 new cases x (0.30 NPM1 mut) x (0.40 FLT3 ITD) = 2,574 new cases/year

At a Glance

Estimated New Cases in 2019	21,450
% of All New Cancer Cases	1.2%

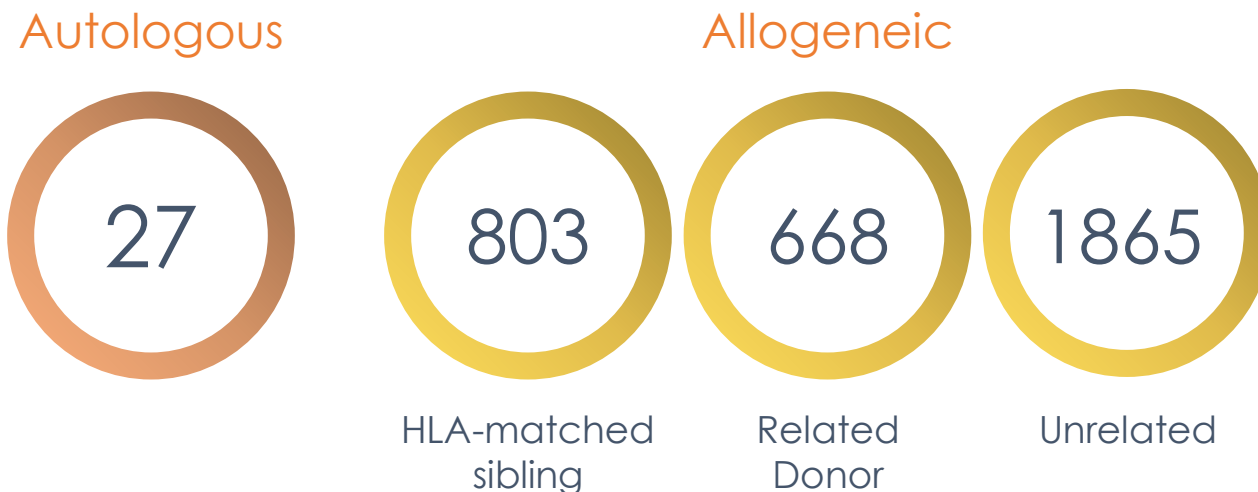
Estimated Deaths in 2019	10,920
% of All Cancer Deaths	1.8%

Percent Surviving 5 Years	28.3%
2009-2015	



Number of Transplants in AML

US Transplant Data by Center Report – AML 2017



Total: 3363

Experience matters



Transplants by Center 2017

