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Current and Future Management of Myelofibrosis

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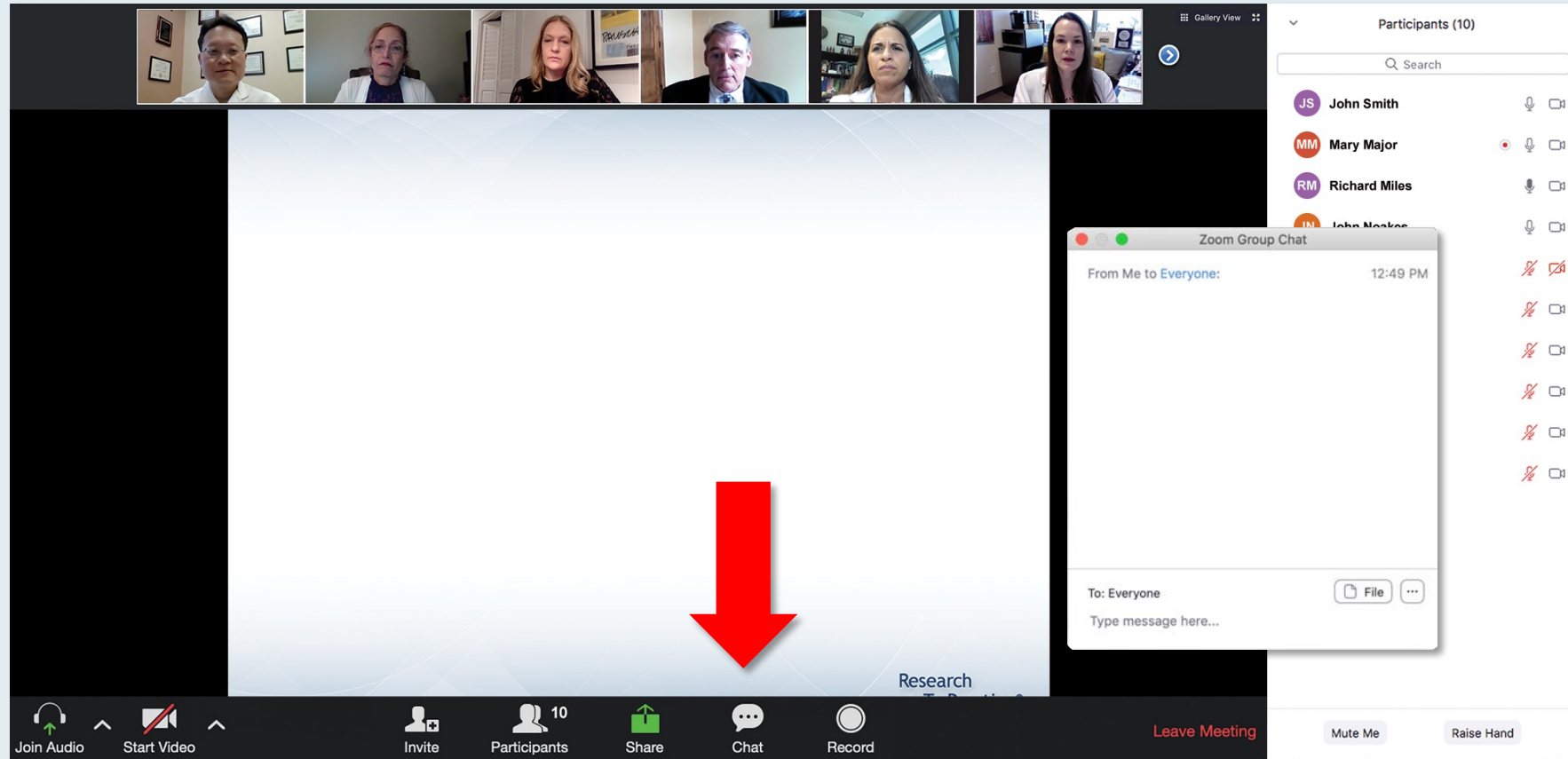
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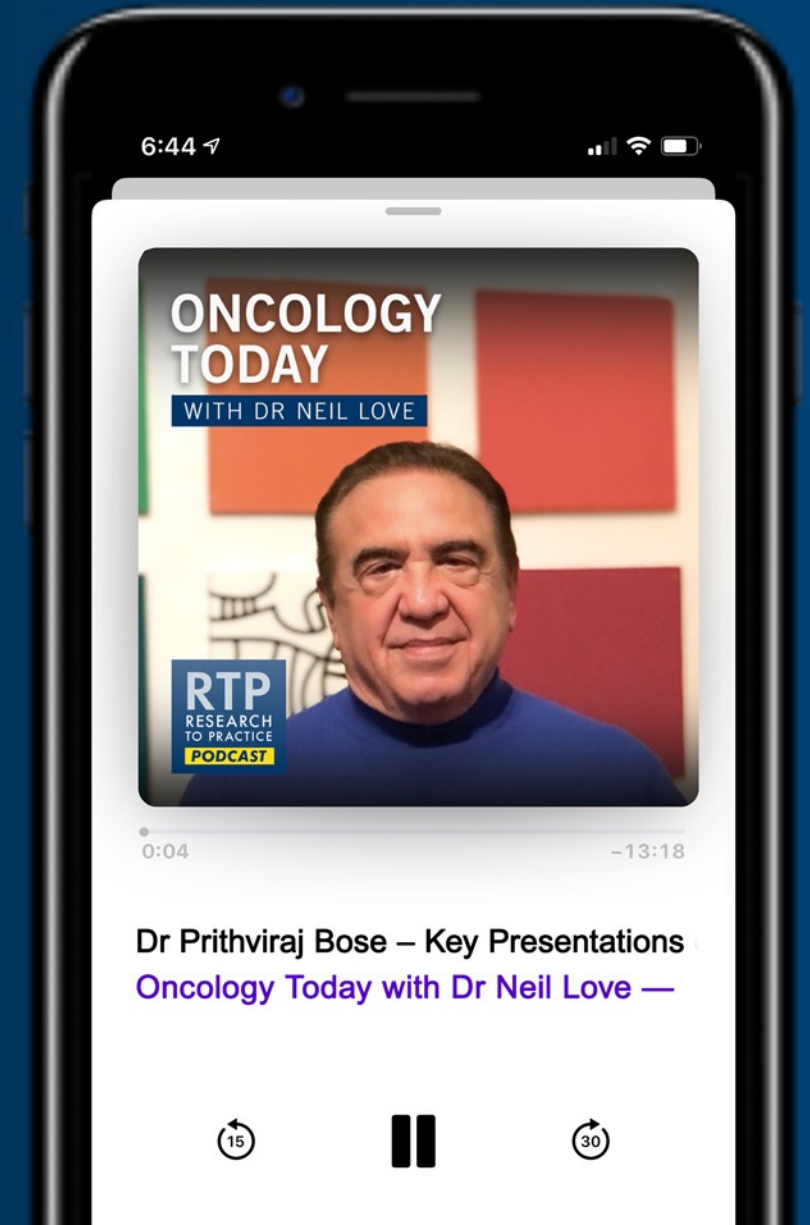
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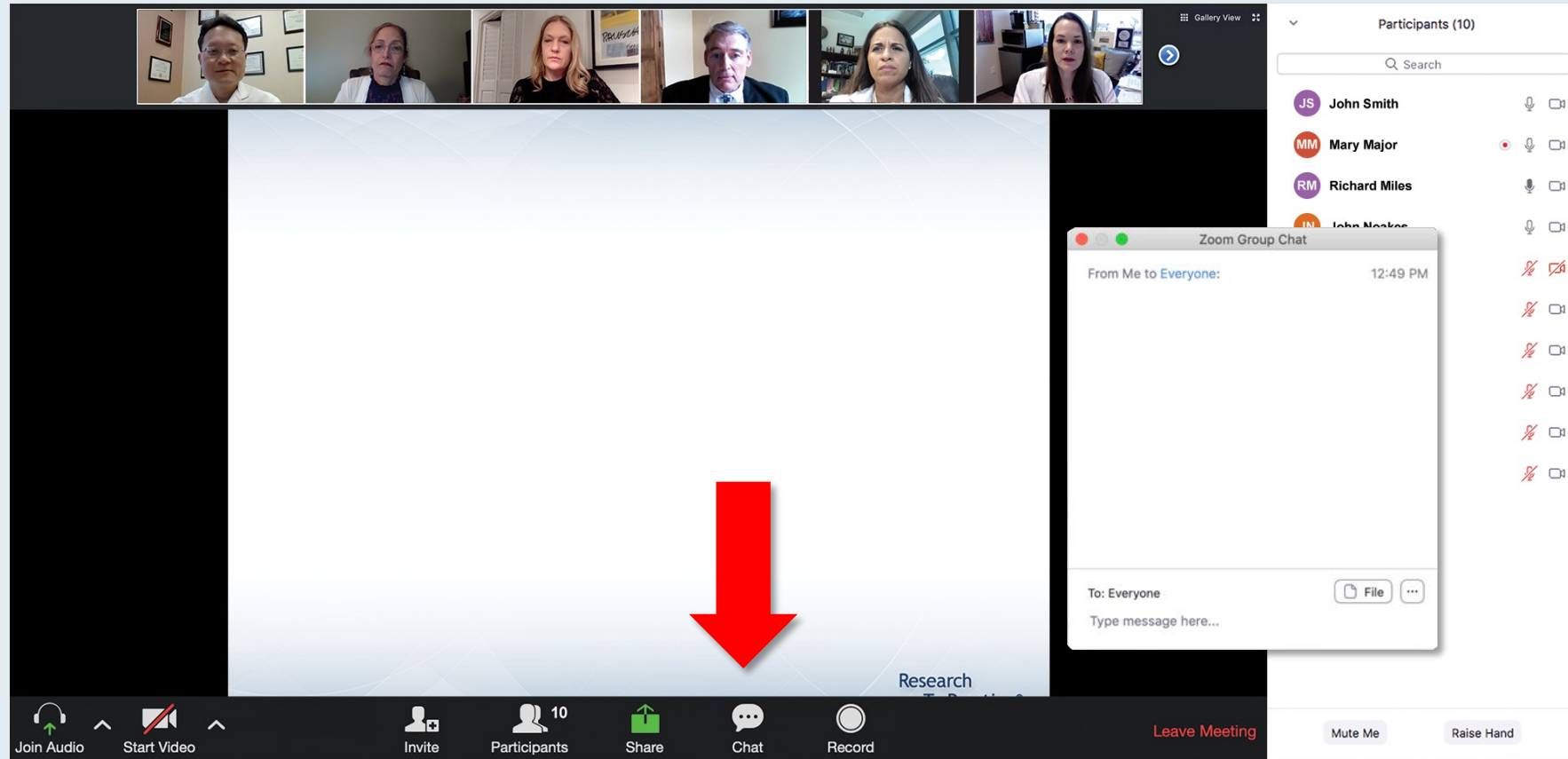


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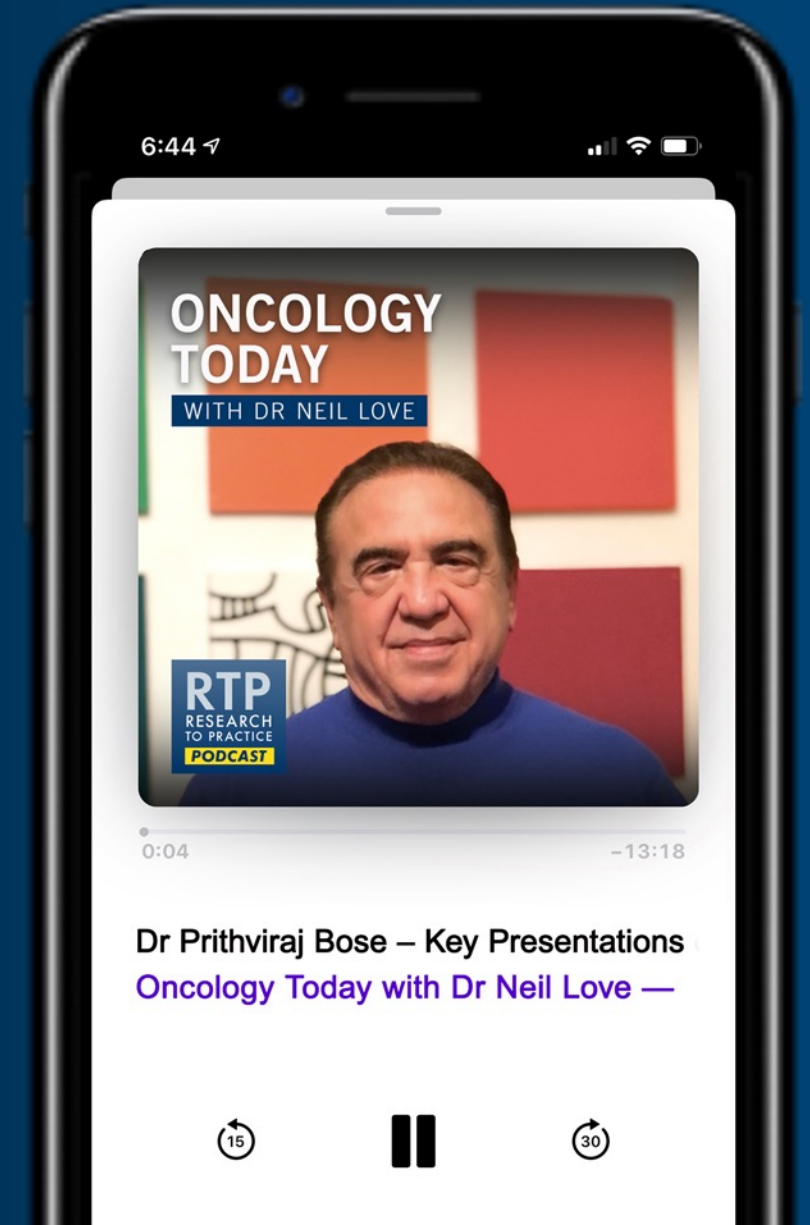
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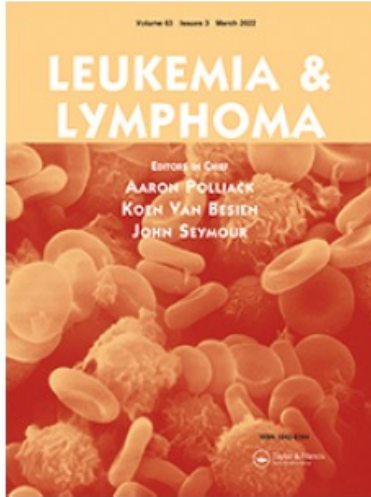
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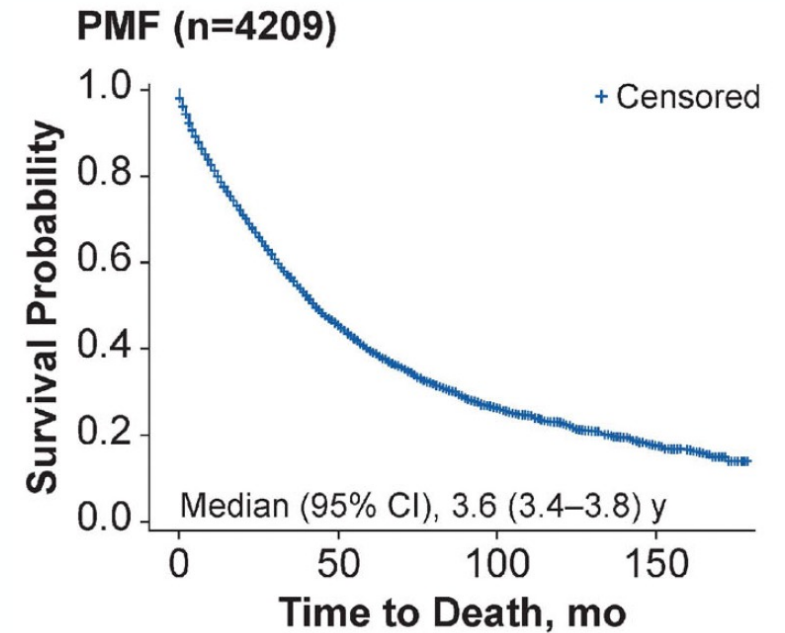
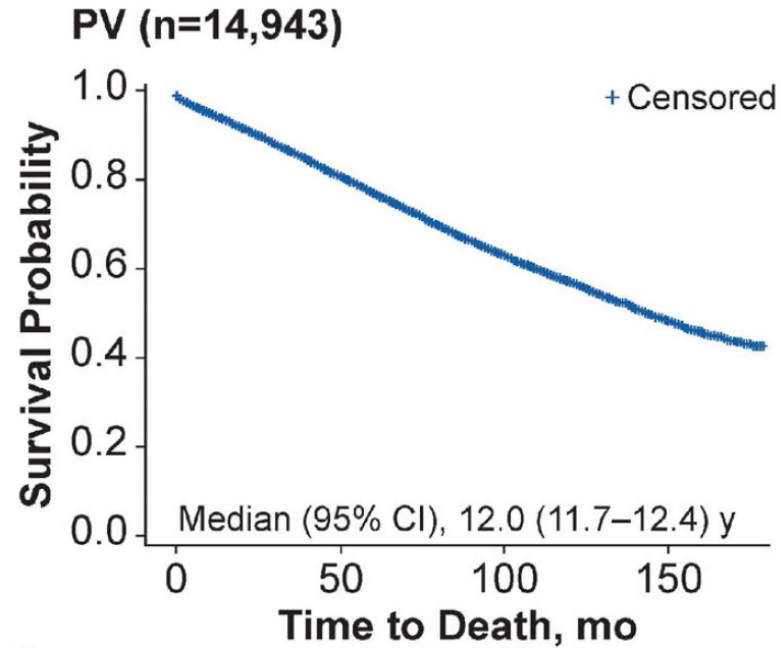
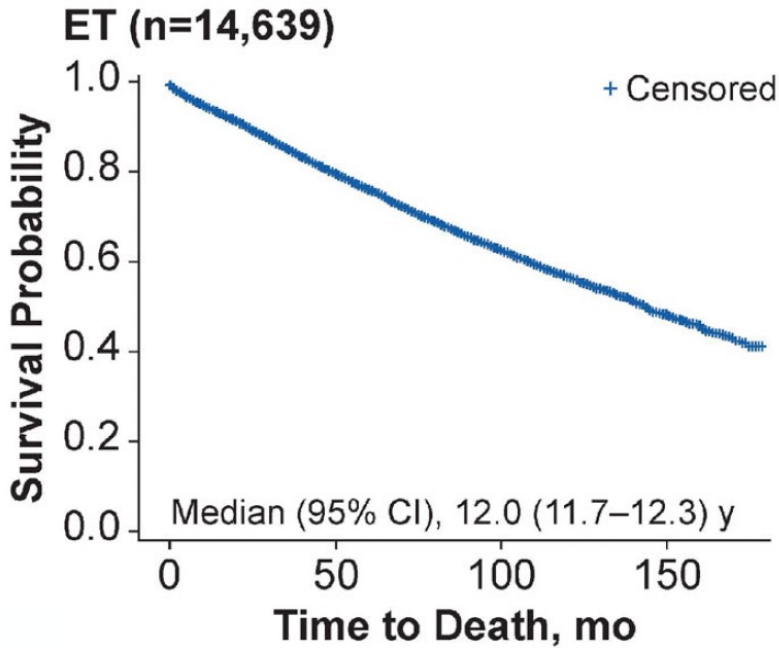
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Changes in the incidence and overall survival of patients with myeloproliferative neoplasms between 2002 and 2016 in the United States

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CT showing splenomegaly

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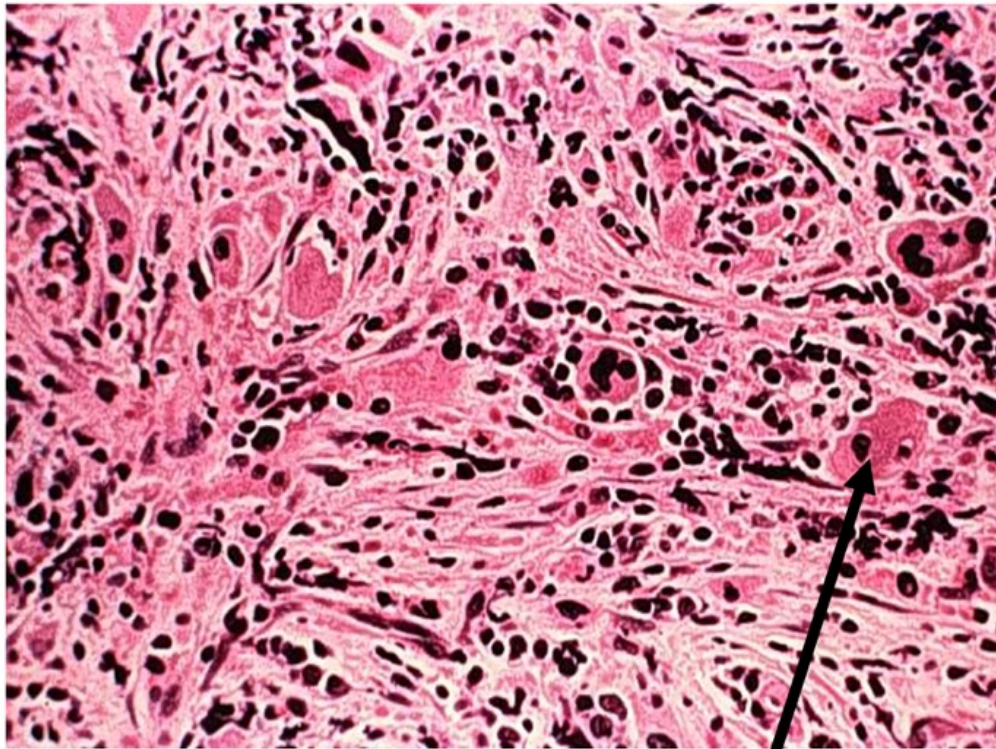


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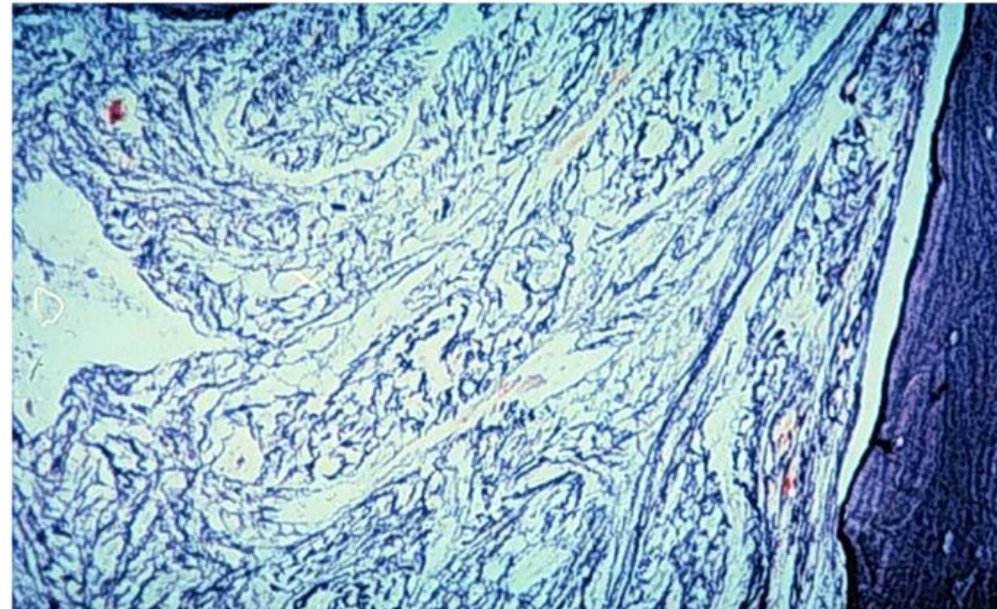
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Large, hypolobated megakaryocytes



Bone marrow reticulin screen

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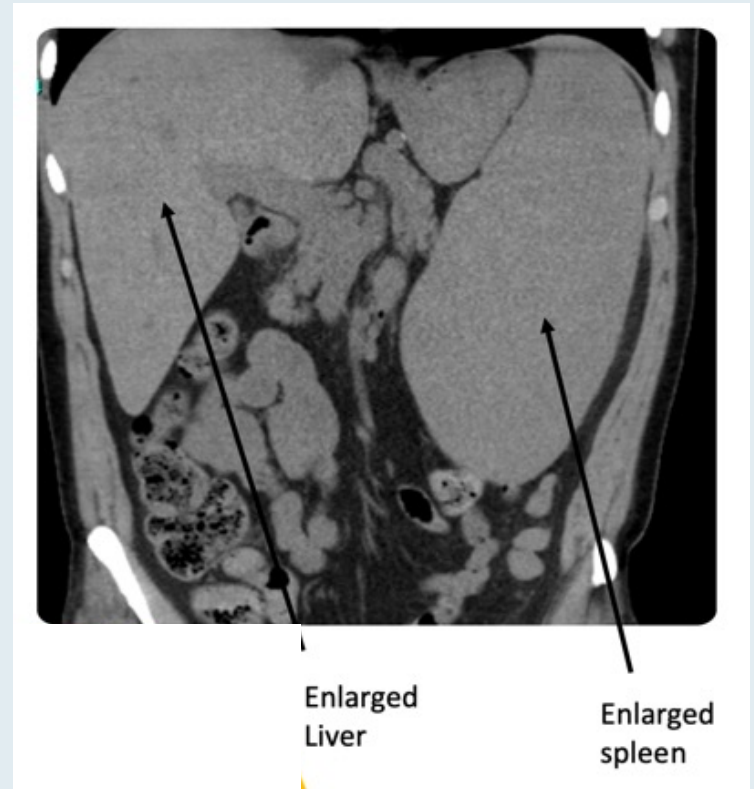


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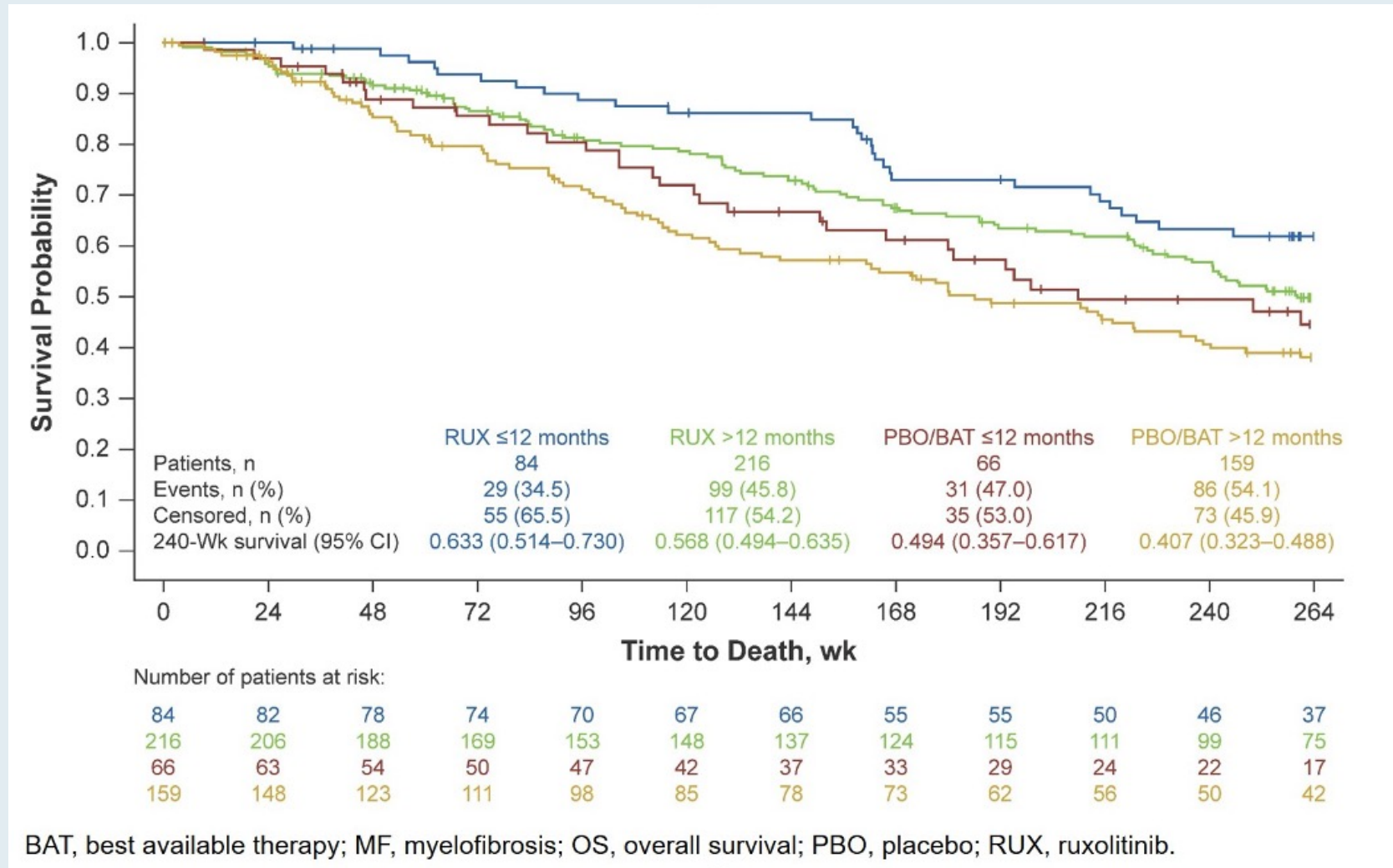
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Does Early Intervention in Myelofibrosis Impact Outcomes? A Pooled Analysis of the Comfort I and II Studies

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Overall Survival for Patients with MF, Stratified by Disease Duration Before Ruxolitinib Initiation



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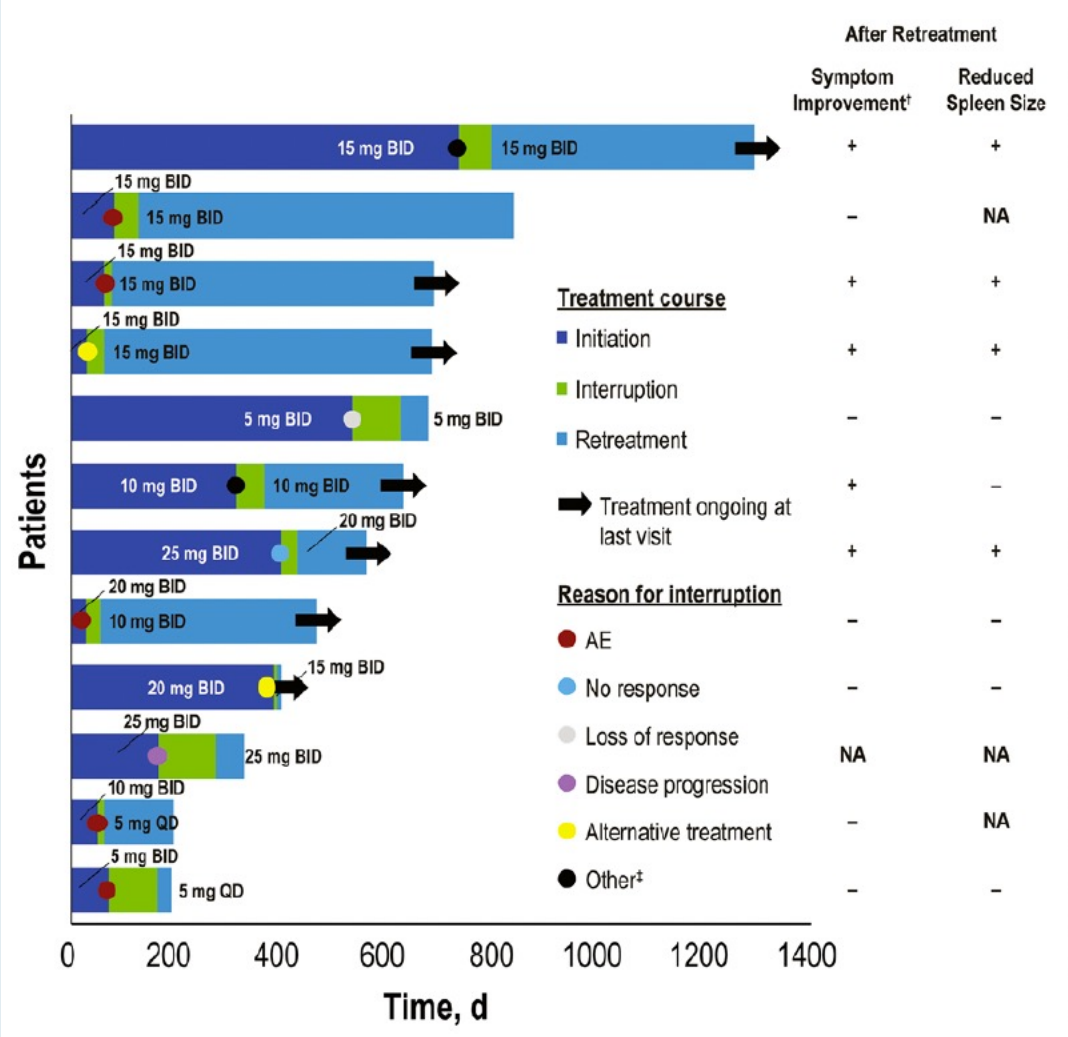
Real-world survival of US patients with intermediate- to high-risk myelofibrosis: impact of ruxolitinib approval

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Ruxolitinib Re-Treatment in Patients with Myelofibrosis: Real-World Evidence on Patient Characteristics and Outcomes

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Ruxolitinib Treatment Course Among Individual Patients from the OPEN Analysis Set



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Real-world patient characteristics and treatment patterns of ruxolitinib among patients with advanced essential thrombocythemia at community clinical practice

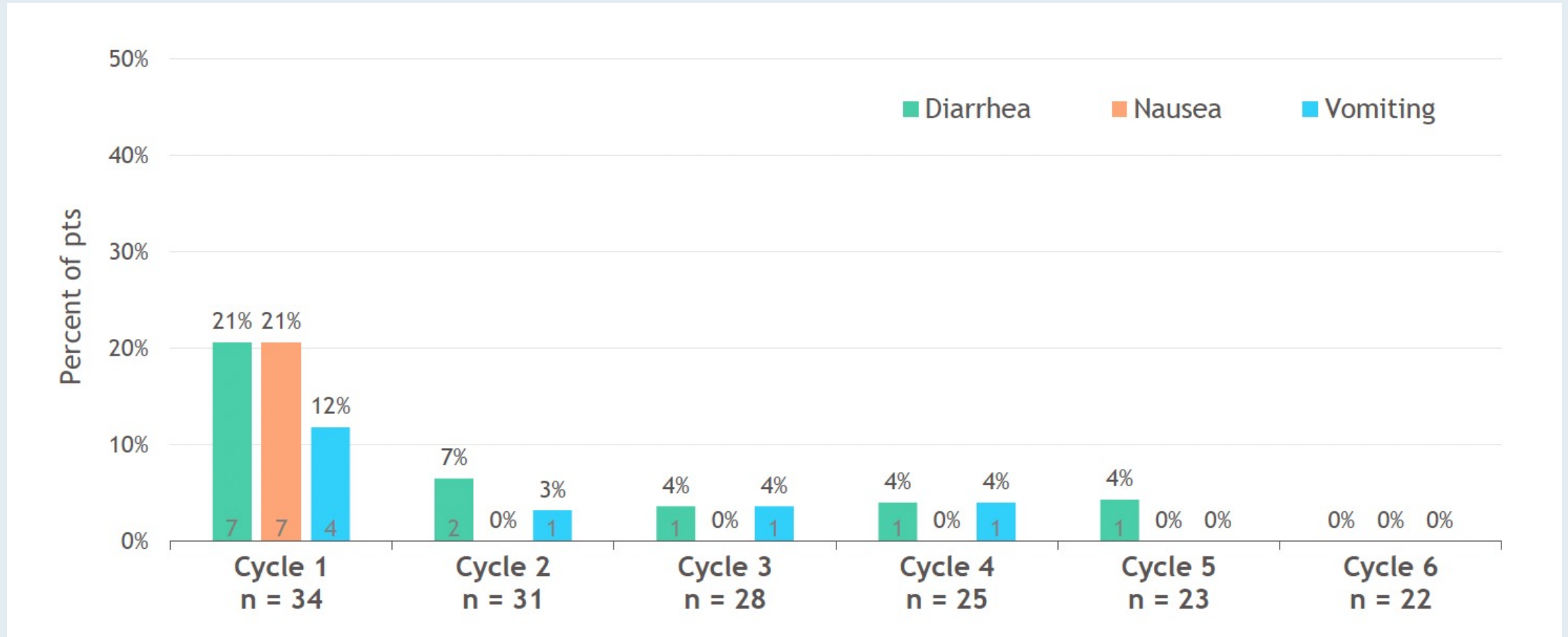
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Safety and tolerability of fedratinib, an oral inhibitor of Janus kinase 2, in patients with intermediate- or high-risk myelofibrosis previously treated with ruxolitinib: results from the phase 3b FREEDOM trial

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Frequency of Nausea, Vomiting and Diarrhea by Treatment Cycle



Pacritinib Granted Accelerated Approval for MF with Severe Thrombocytopenia

Press Release: February 28, 2022

“Pacritinib received accelerated approval from the FDA at a twice daily, 200-mg dose for patients with intermediate- or high-risk primary or secondary myelofibrosis who are experiencing severe thrombocytopenia with a platelet count below $50 \times 10^9/L$. The agency’s decision comes from results of the phase 3 PERSIST-2 study (NCT02055781).

Treatment with pacritinib at 200 mg resulted in a reduction in spleen volume of at least 35% for 29% of patients, vs 3% of patients who received the best available therapy, including ruxolitinib (Jakafi). As part of the post-approval plans for pacritinib, the phase 3 PACIFICA trial (NCT03165734) will be completed with results estimated in 2025.

The PERSIST-2 study, which assessed the use of pacritinib compared with best available therapy in patients with myelofibrosis and thrombocytopenia, enrolled 311 patients. Those who enrolled were randomized into 1 of 3 treatment regimens, including pacritinib once daily (n = 104), pacritinib twice daily (n = 107), or a best alternative treatment (n = 100). Best alternative treatments included ruxolitinib (45%), hydroxyurea (19%), and prednisone and/or prednisolone (13%).”

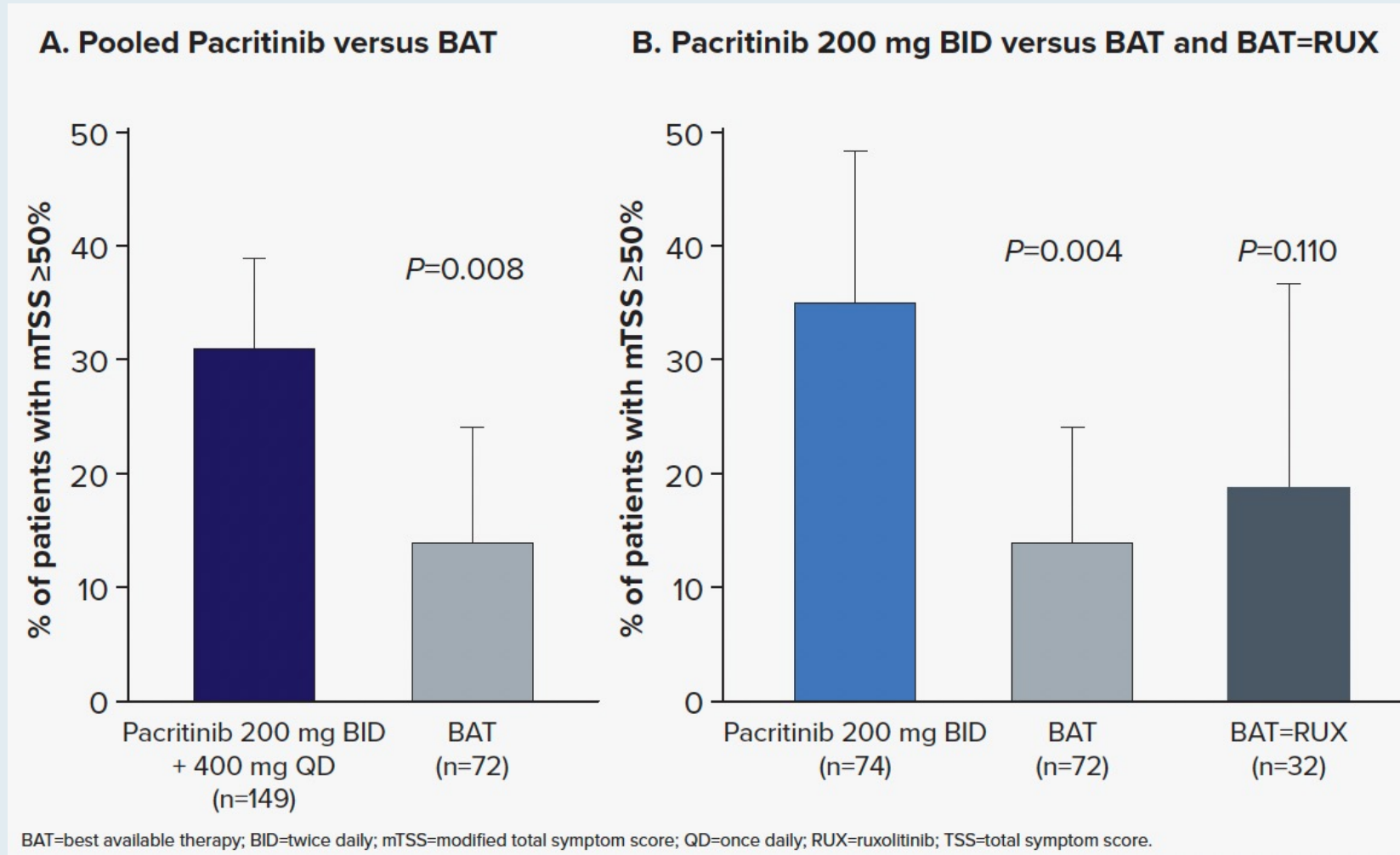
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The Impact of Pacritinib on Myelofibrosis Symptoms

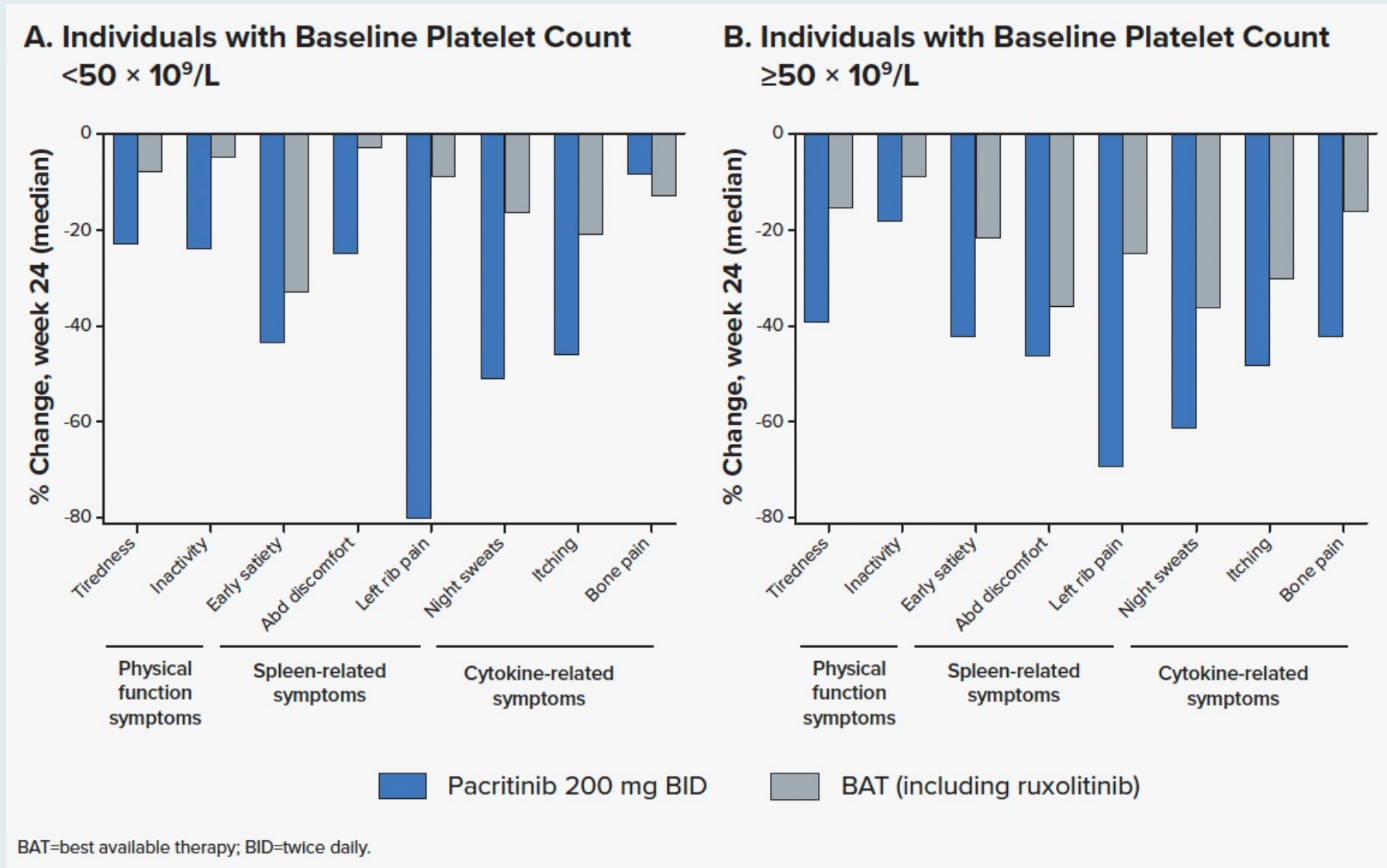
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Modified TSS Response Rates (Week 24) in PERSIST-2



Percent Change in Individual Symptom Scores in PERSIST-2





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Retrospective analysis of pacritinib in patients with myelofibrosis and severe thrombocytopenia

by Srdan Verstovsek, Ruben Mesa, Moshe Talpaz, Jean-Jacques Kiladjian, Claire N. Harrison, Stephen T. Oh, Alessandro M. Vannucchi, Raajit Rampal, Bart L. Scott, Sarah A. Buckley, Adam R. Craig, Karisse Roman-Torres, and John O. Mascarenhas

Baseline Patient and Disease Characteristics in Patients Receiving Pacritinib or Best Available Therapy (BAT)

	Pacritinib (n = 132)	BAT (n = 57)	P-value**
Age, median (range)	69 (50–91)	69 (50–84)	0.95
Male sex, n (%)	80 (61)	28 (49)	0.14
ECOG PS, n* (%)			0.93
0-1	100/132 (76)	42/55 (76)	
2-3	32/132 (24)	13/55 (24)	
Prior JAK2 inhibitor, n (%)	43 (33)	21 (37)	0.57
MF diagnosis, n (%)			0.27
Primary MF	98 (74)	38 (67)	
PPV-MF	20 (15)	8 (14)	
PET-MF	14 (11)	11 (19)	
Time since MF diagnosis (years), median (IQR)	2.0 (0–27)	2.6 (0–14)	0.72
DIPSS risk category, n (%)			0.17
Intermediate-1	26 (20)	5 (9)	
Intermediate-2	63 (48)	30 (53)	
High	43 (33)	22 (39)	
Reticulin and collagen fibrosis staging, n* (%)			0.58
MF 0-1	18/122 (15)	11/52 (21)	
MF 2	38/122 (31)	15/52 (29)	
MF 3	66/122 (54)	26/52 (50)	
Bone marrow cellularity, n* (%)			0.26
<20%	27/110 (25)	18/49 (37)	
20-40%	18/110 (16)	8/49 (16)	
41-100%	65/110 (59)	23/49 (47)	

	Pacritinib (n = 132)	BAT (n = 57)	P-value**
Bone marrow blast category, n* (%)			0.82
≥1%	96/115 (84)	41/50 (82)	
<1%	19/115 (17)	11/50 (18)	
Peripheral blood blasts category, n* (%)			0.18
≥1%	60/118 (51)	31/50 (62)	
<1%	58/118 (49)	19/50 (38)	
Platelet count (10 ⁹ /L), median (range)	29 (6–49)	25 (5–49)	0.27
Hemoglobin <10 g/dL, n* (%)	85/132 (64)	35/56 (63)	0.80
RBC transfusion dependence†, n (%)			0.66
Dependent	38 (29)	20 (35)	
Independent	61 (46)	23 (40)	
Indeterminate	33 (25)	14 (25)	
Spleen volume at baseline (cm ³)‡, median (IQR)	2566 (1633–3680)	2466 (1786–3727)	0.87
Modified TSS score at baseline†, median (IQR)	17 (12–29)	17 (12–27)	0.94
Study enrollment, n (%)			0.98
PERSIST-1	35 (27)	15 (26)	
PERSIST-2	97 (73)	42 (74)	

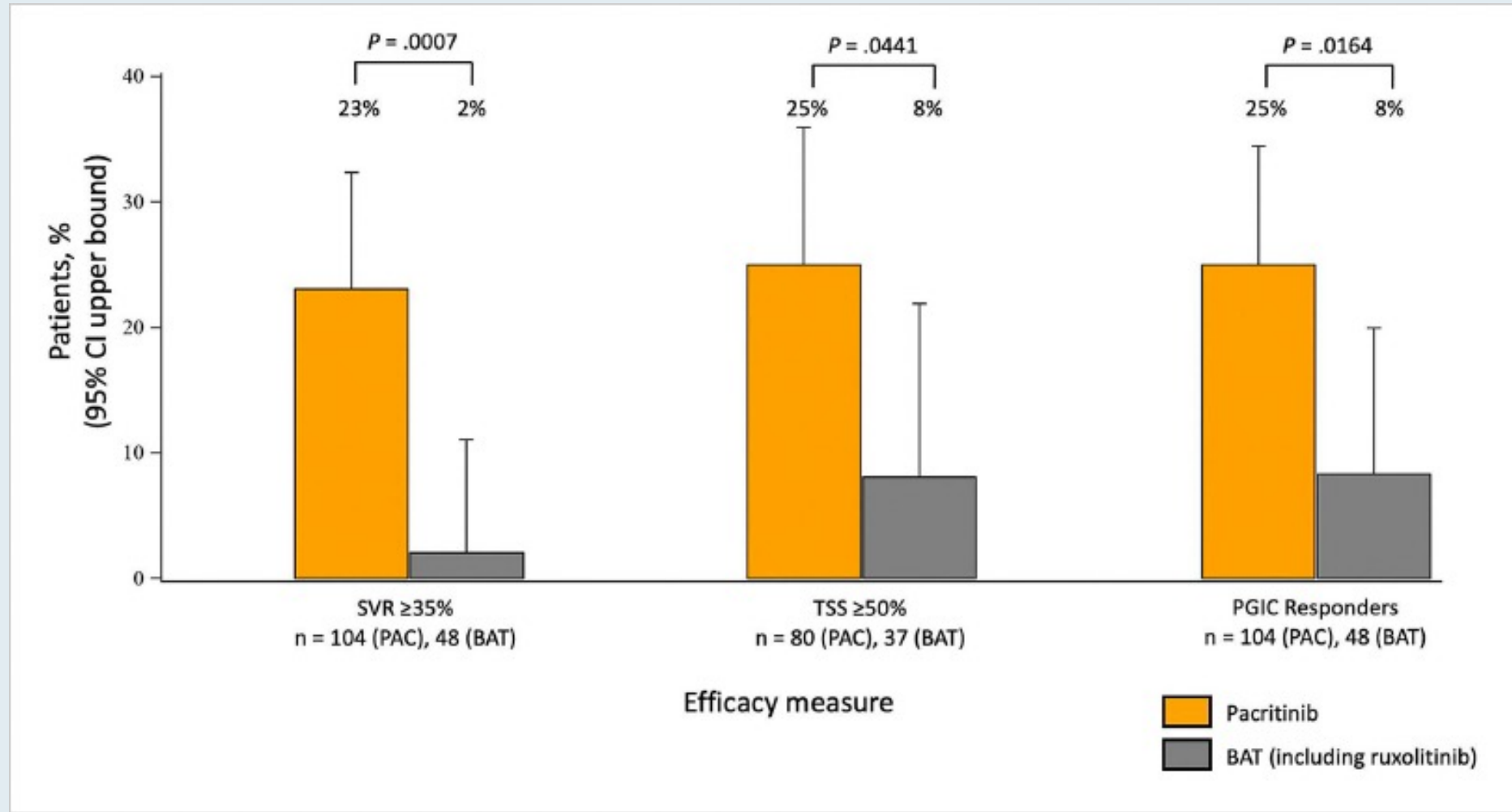
SVR and Modified TSS Response Rates by Subgroup of Patients Randomly Assigned to Pacritinib versus BAT

Response rate at week 24	Pacritinib	BAT	P-value*
Patients with $\geq 35\%$ spleen volume reduction, % (n/N)			
Prior JAK2 inhibitor exposure			0.07
Yes	17.9 (5/28)	7.7 (1/13)	
No	25.0 (19/76)	0 (0/35)	
MF diagnosis			0.52
Primary	24.0 (18/75)	3.1 (1/32)	
Secondary	20.7 (6/29)	0 (0/16)	
Patients with $\geq 50\%$ reduction in modified TSS, % (n/N)			
Prior JAK2 inhibitors			0.14
Yes	17.9 (5/28)	15.4 (2/13)	
No	28.8 (15/52)	4.2 (1/24)	
MF diagnosis			0.43
Primary	30.4 (17/56)	12.0 (3/25)	
Secondary	12.5 (3/24)	0 (0/12)	
Patients with "much" or "very much" improved PGIC scores, % (n/N)			
Prior JAK2 inhibitors			0.08
Yes	14.3 (4/28)	15.4 (2/13)	
No	28.9 (22/76)	5.7 (2/35)	
MF diagnosis			0.45
Primary	30.7 (23/75)	12.5 (4/32)	
Secondary	10.3 (3/29)	0 (0/16)	

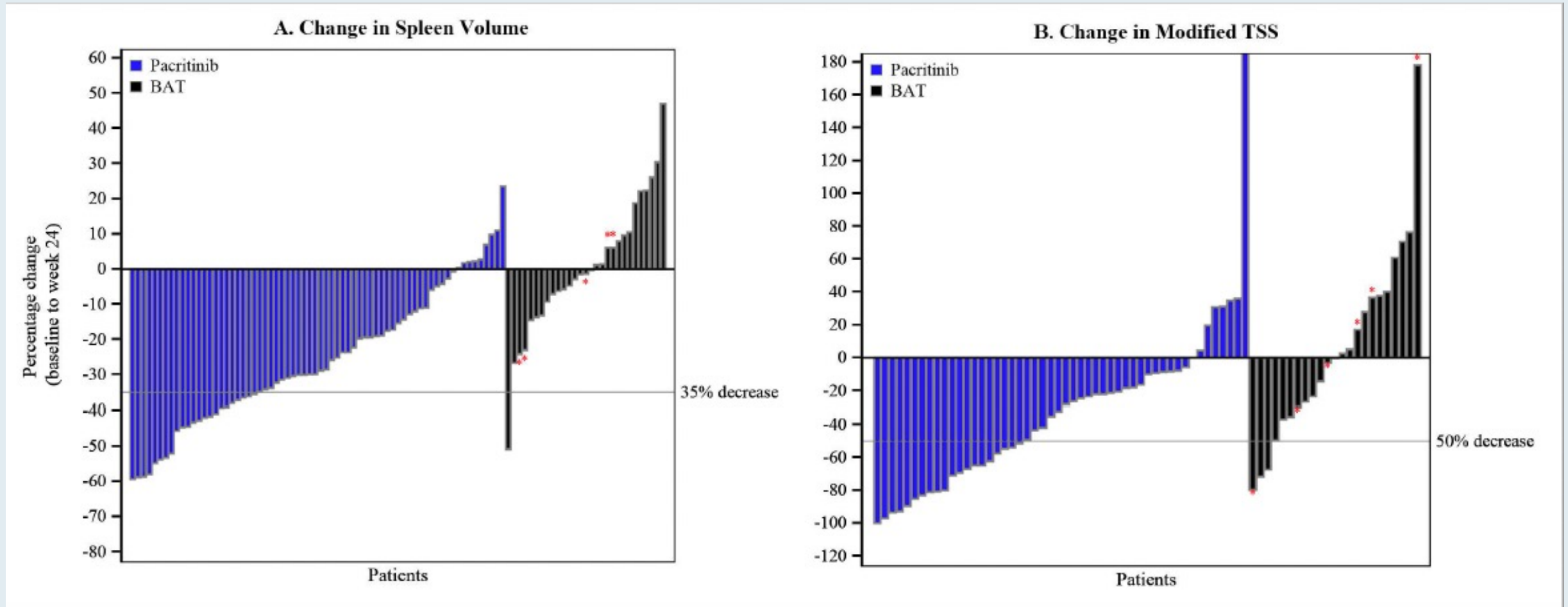
BAT, best available therapy; JAK2, Janus kinase 2; MF, myelofibrosis; PGIC, Patient Global Impression of Change; SVR, spleen volume reduction; TSS, Total Symptom Score.

* Breslow and Day homogeneity test

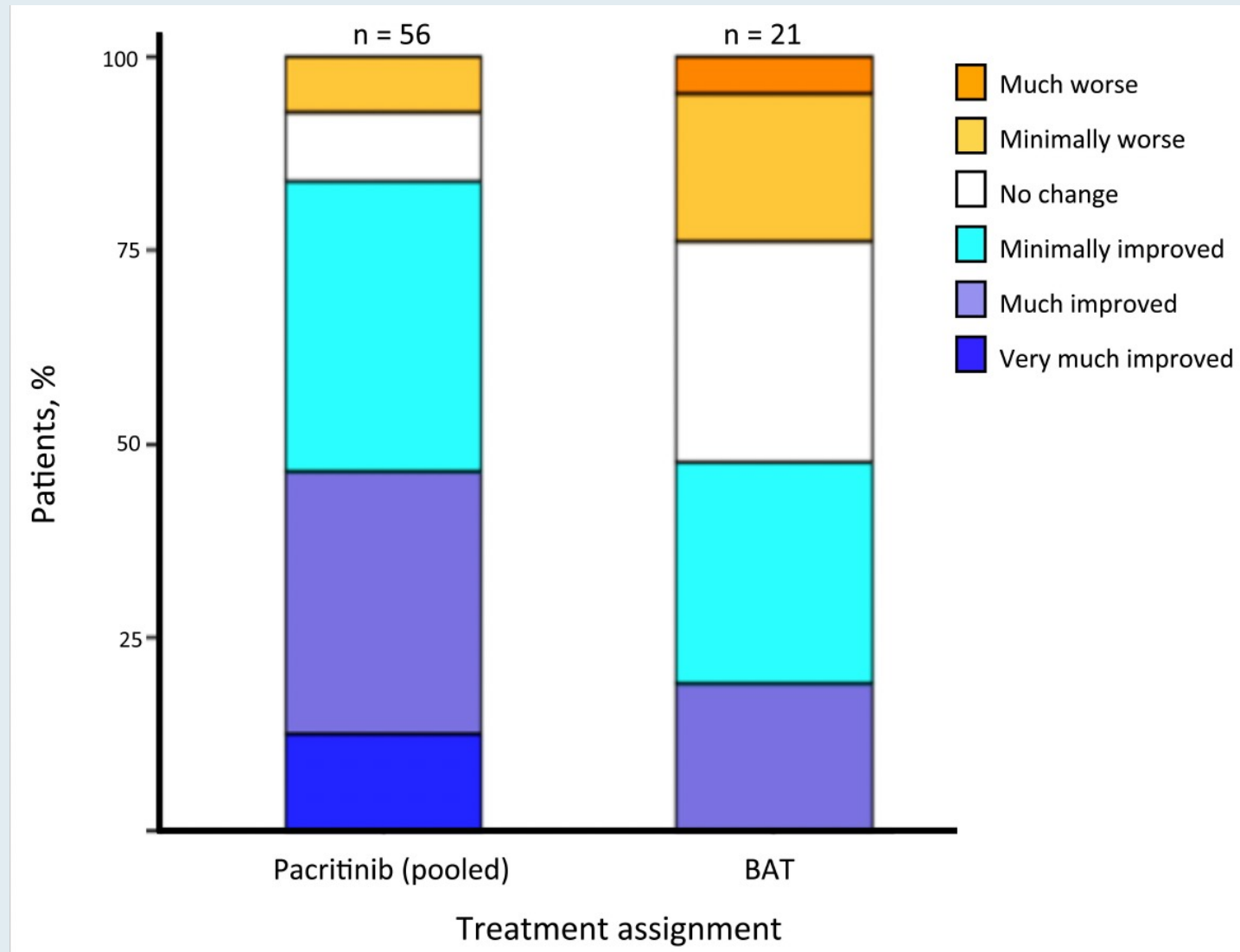
Efficacy of Pacritinib versus BAT Based on 24-Week Response Rates for Patients with Severe Thrombocytopenia



Waterfall Plots of Percent Change from Baseline

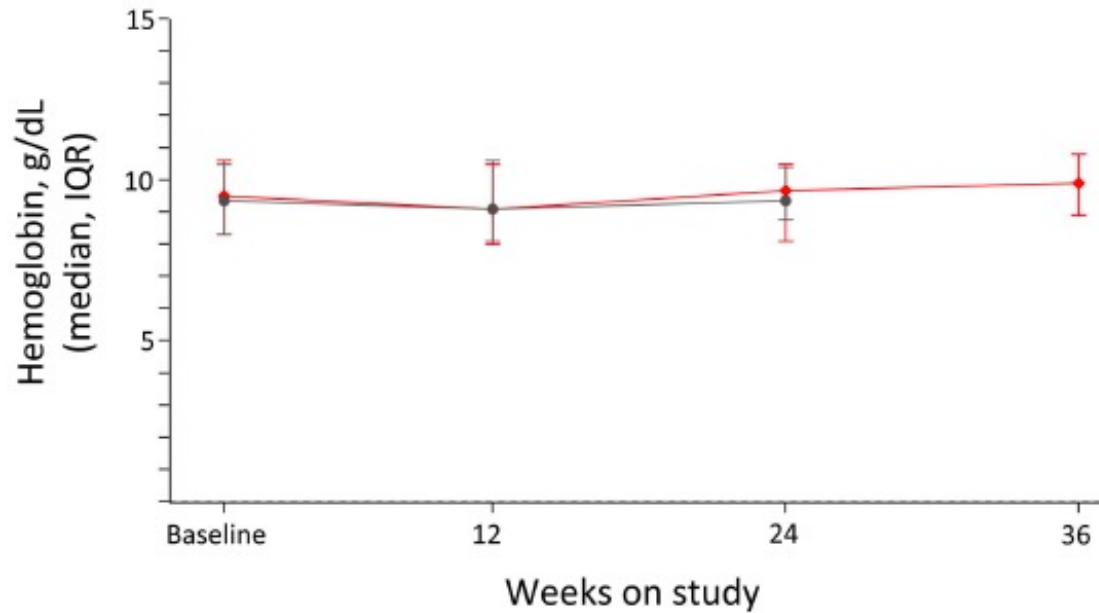


Self-Reported Symptoms by Treatment Group of Patients Who Completed the Patient Global Impression of Change at Week 24



Median Hemoglobin and Platelet Count Over Time Through Week 24

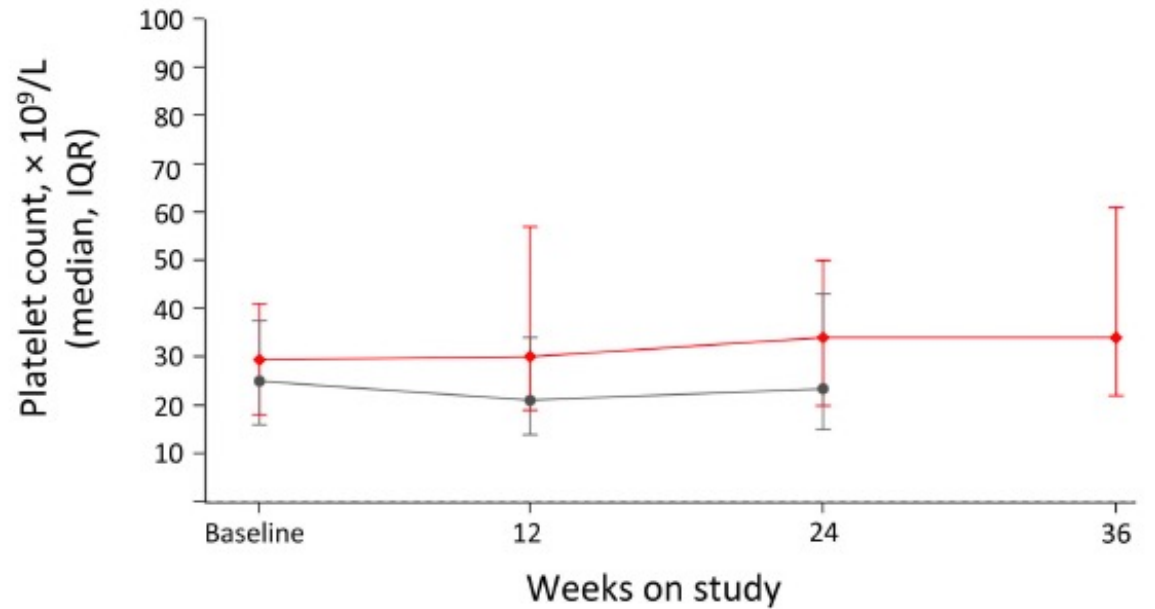
A. Change in Hemoglobin Over Time



No. of patients

Pacritinib	132	90	58	37
BAT	56	36	19	

B. Change in Platelet Count Over Time



Pacritinib	130	87	57	35
BAT	56	34	20	

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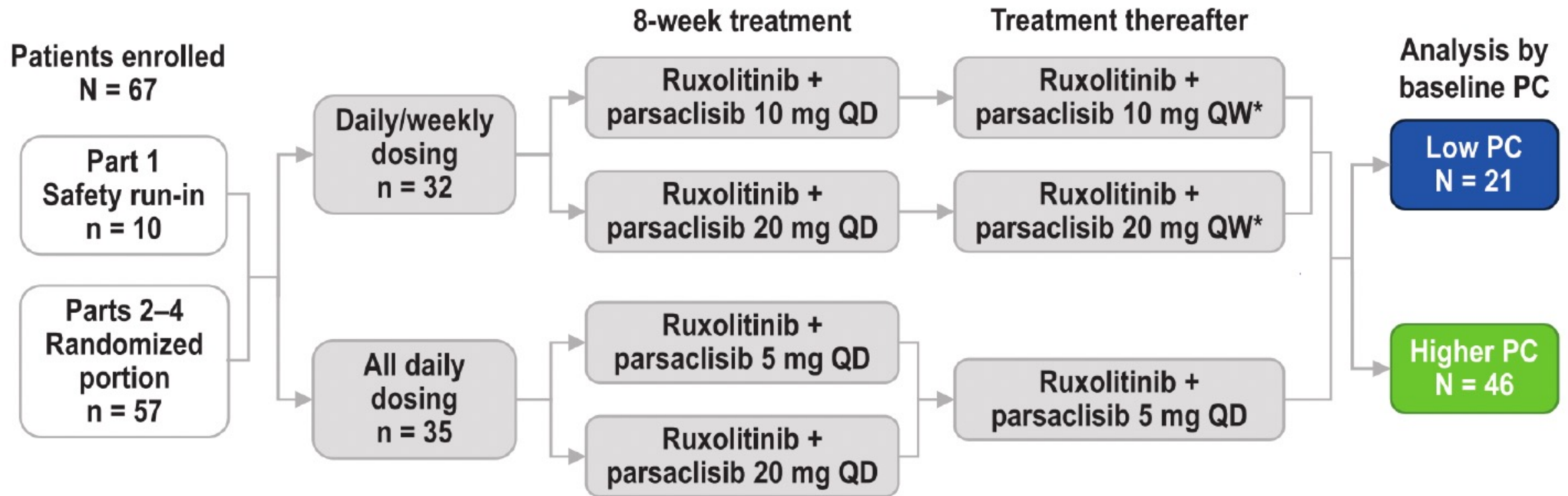
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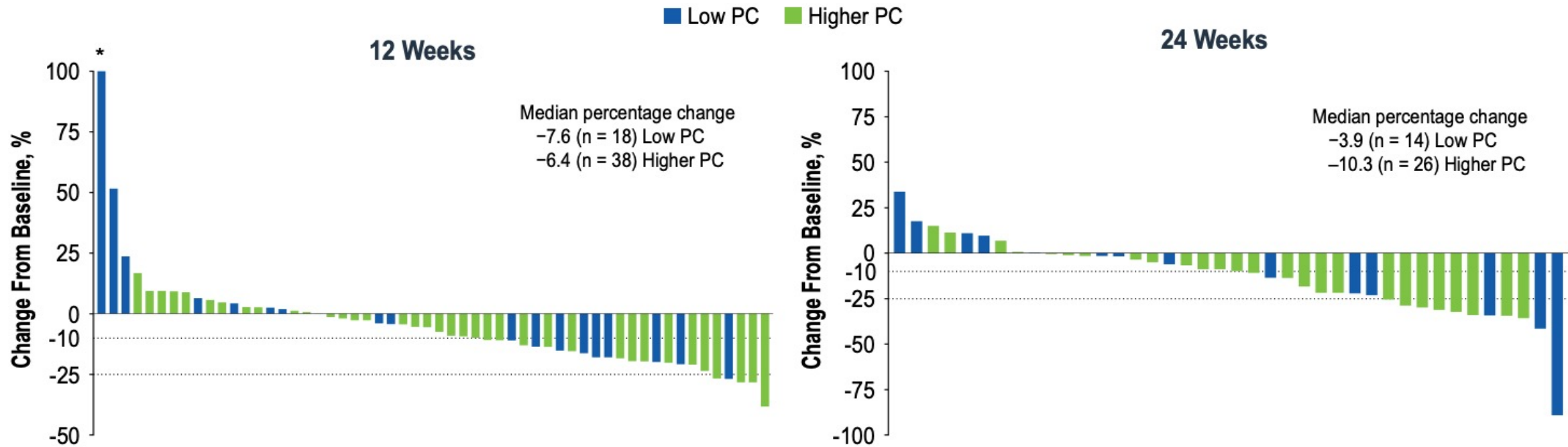
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Phase II INCB 50465-201 Study of Adding Parsaclisib to Ruxolitinib



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PC, platelet counts; QD, once daily; QW, once weekly.

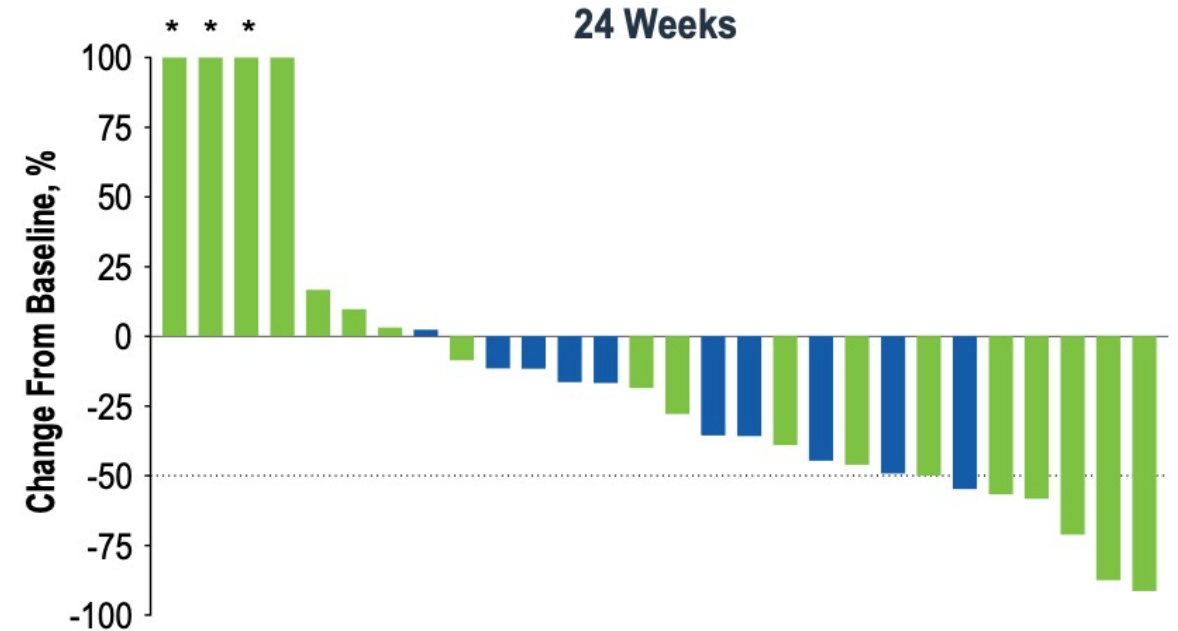
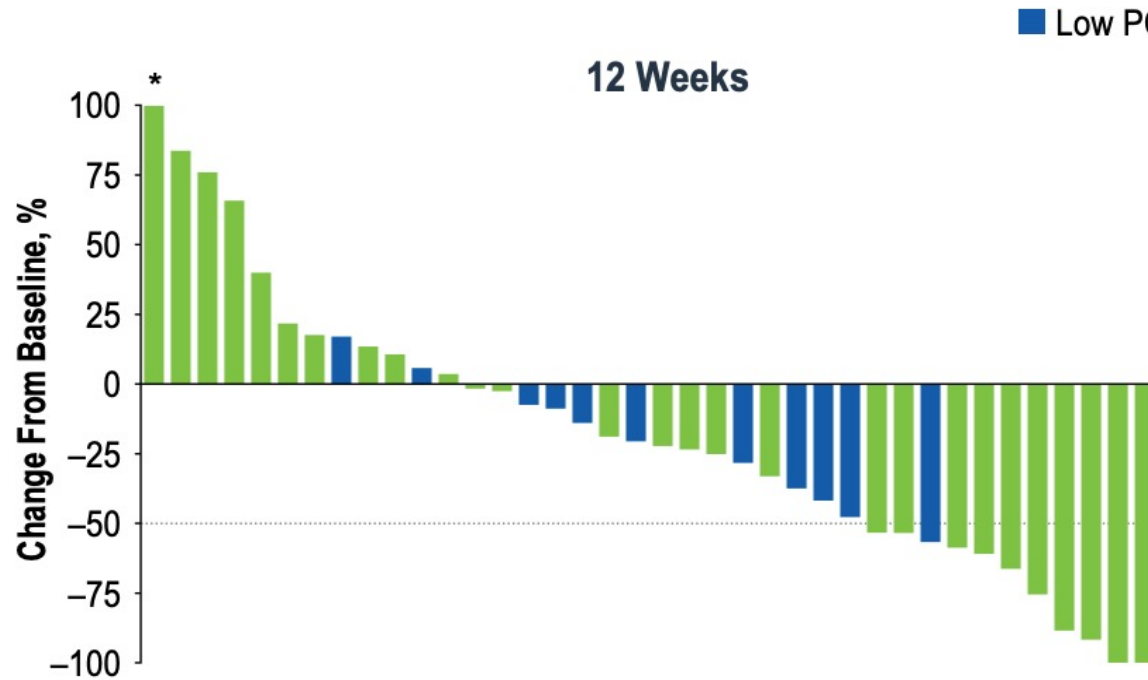
Phase II INCB 50465-201: Percent Change in Spleen Volume



Response Category, n (%)	Low PC	Higher PC
Week 12	n = 18	n = 38
≥10% reduction	9 (50)	15 (39)
≥25% reduction	1 (6)	4 (11)
≥35% reduction	0	1 (3)

Response Category, n (%)	Low PC	Higher PC
Week 24	n = 17	n = 35
≥10% reduction	6 (35)	13 (37)
≥25% reduction	3 (18)	8 (23)
≥35% reduction	2 (12)	1 (3)

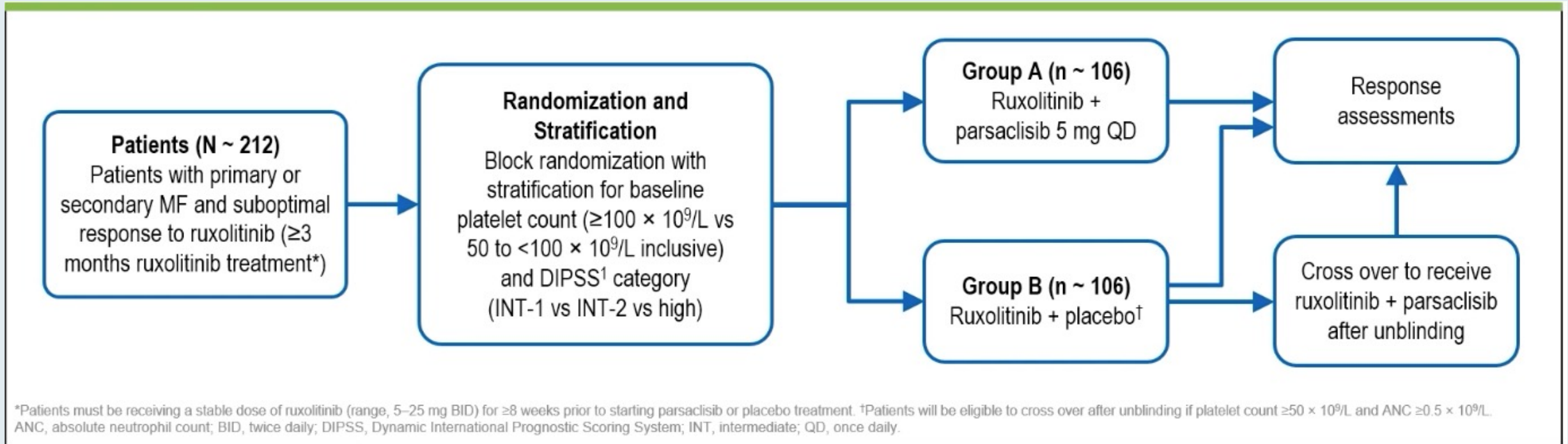
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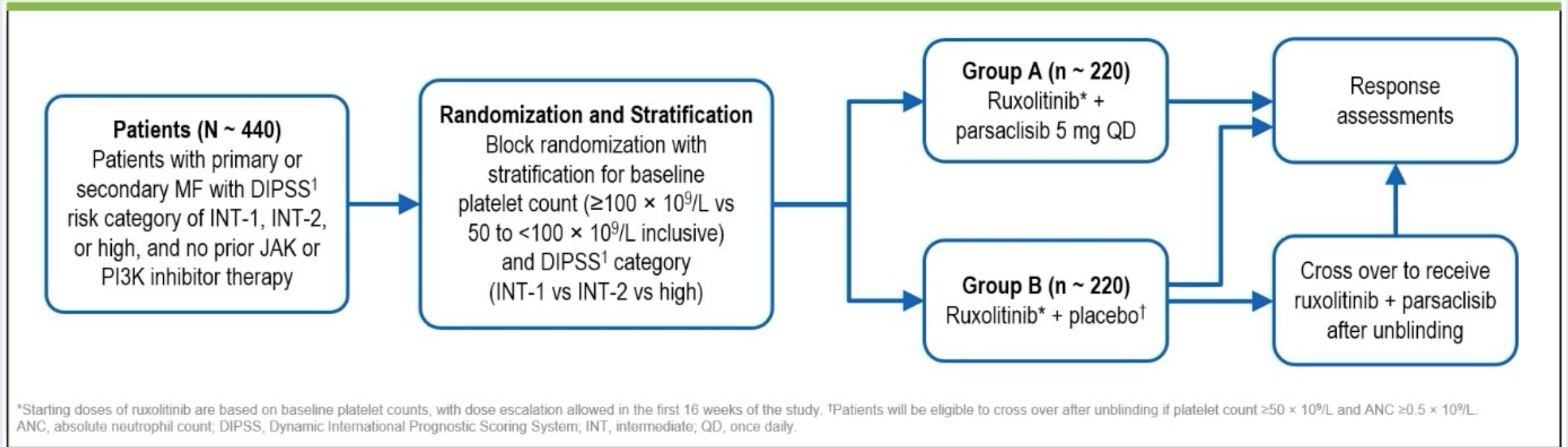
Median change in MFSAF-TSS at 12 Weeks	n	% Change (Range)
Low PC	11	-20.5 (-56.6 to 17.1)
Higher PC	27	-22.2 (-100.0 to 500.0)

Median change in MFSAF-TSS at 24 Weeks	n	% Change (Range)
Low PC	10	-26.1 (-54.7 to 2.4)
Higher PC	18	-23.1 (-91.3 to 222.5)

LIMBER-304 Phase III Study Design



LIMBER-313 Phase III First-Line Study Design



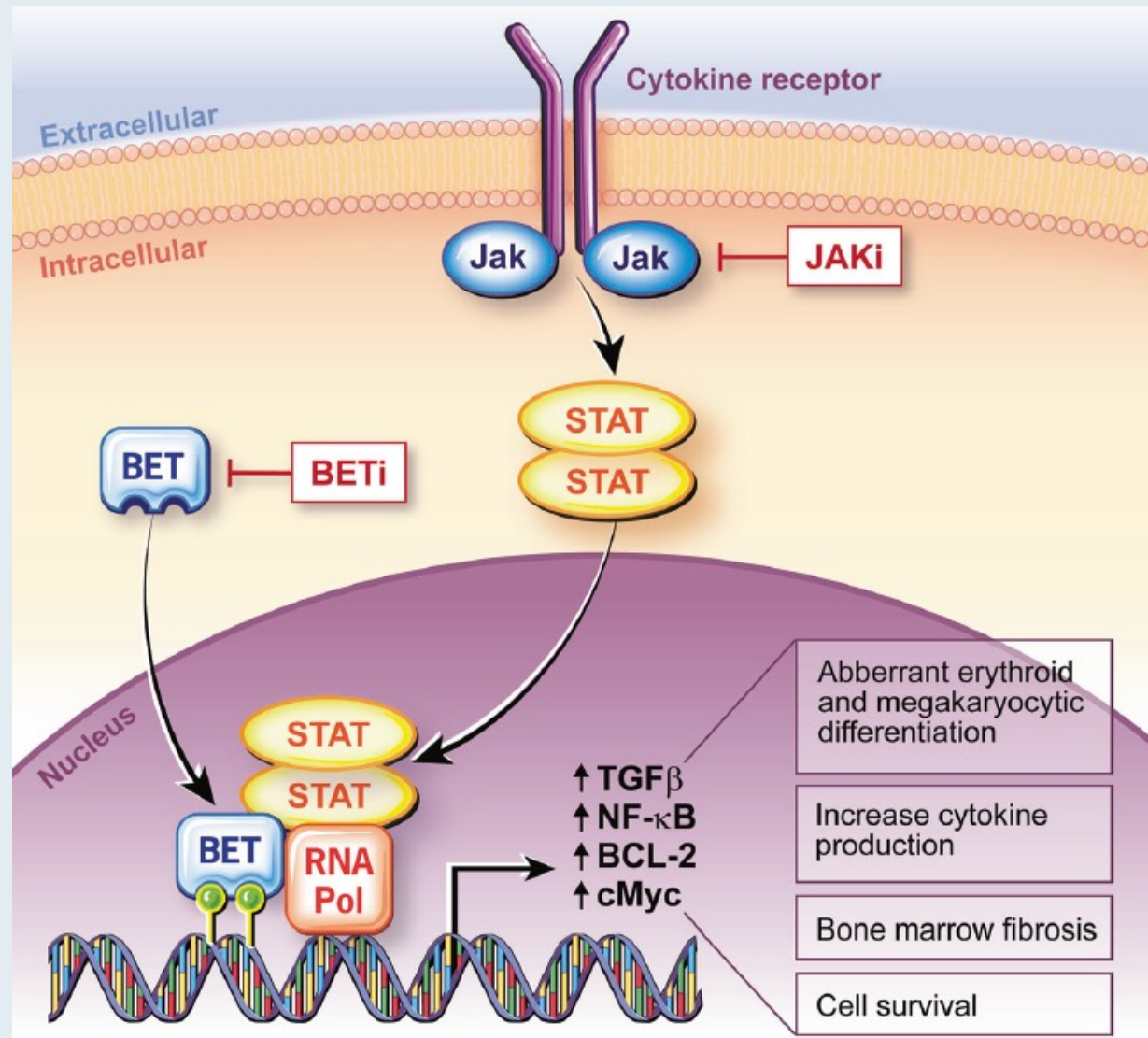
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Paradigm shift: combination BET and JAK inhibition in myelofibrosis

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Mechanism of Action of BET Inhibitor Pelabresib

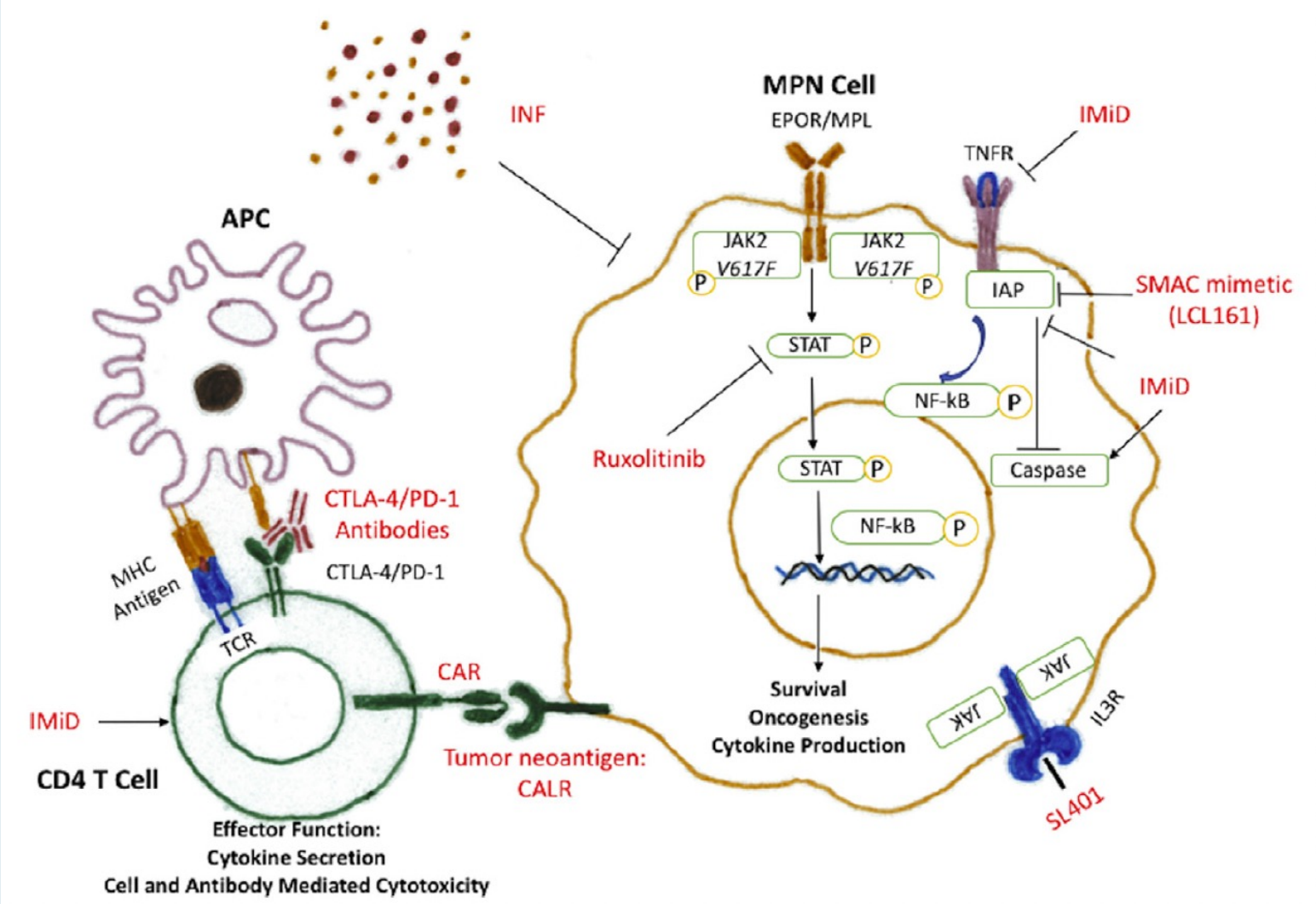


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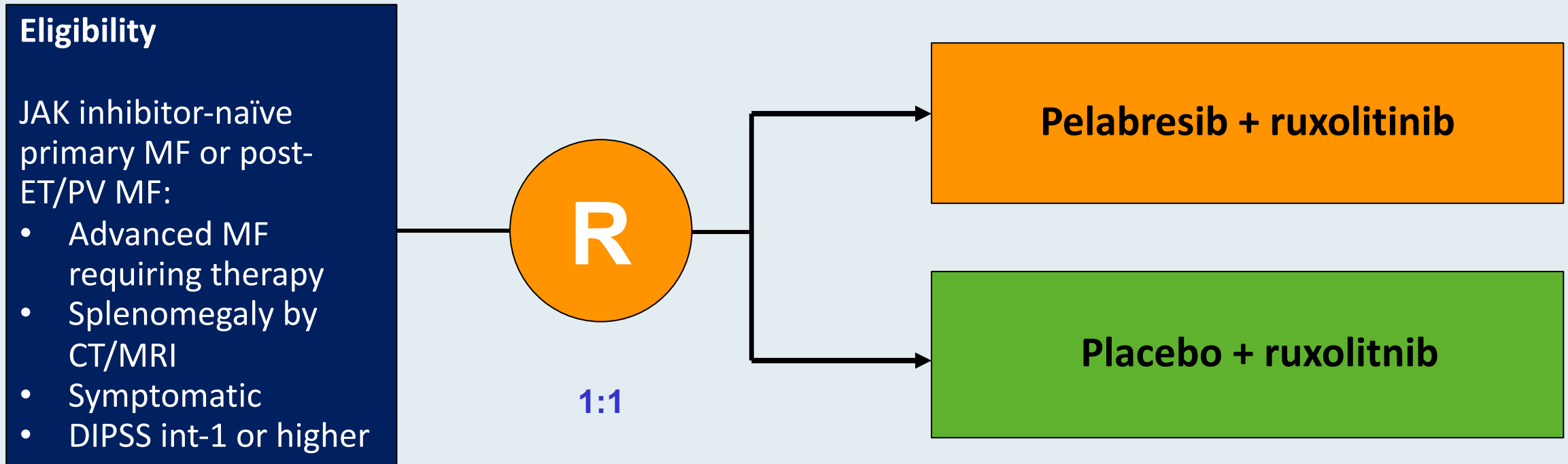
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Immunomodulating Agents in MPN Treatment



MANIFEST-2: Phase III Trial Design



Primary Endpoint: SVR35 at 24 weeks

Key Secondary Endpoint: TSS50 by at 24 weeks

Momelotinib Yields Statistically Significant Improvement in Symptoms for Myelofibrosis

Press Release: January 27, 2022

“Topline findings from the phase 3 MOMENTUM study indicated that patients with myelofibrosis experienced a statistically significant reduction in symptoms following treatment with momelotinib.

Treatment with momelotinib resulted in a statistically significant reduction in symptoms for patients with myelofibrosis, according to a press release of the topline findings from the pivotal phase 3 MOMENTUM trial (NCT04173494).

In a population of 195 patients, specifically 130 who received momelotinib and 65 who received danazol, 25% and 9% of patients, respectively, had a total symptom score of more than 50% ($P = .0095$). Additionally, 31% of patients in the momelotinib arm and 20% in the control arm were transfusion independent following treatment (one-sided $P = .0064$), indicating non-inferiority. Investigators also reported a splenic response rate of over 35% in 23% of patients in the experimental arm compared with 3% of patients in the control arm ($P = .0006$).

The full data are set to be presented at an upcoming medical meeting and plans have been put in place to submit a new drug application for the agent in the second quarter of 2022.”

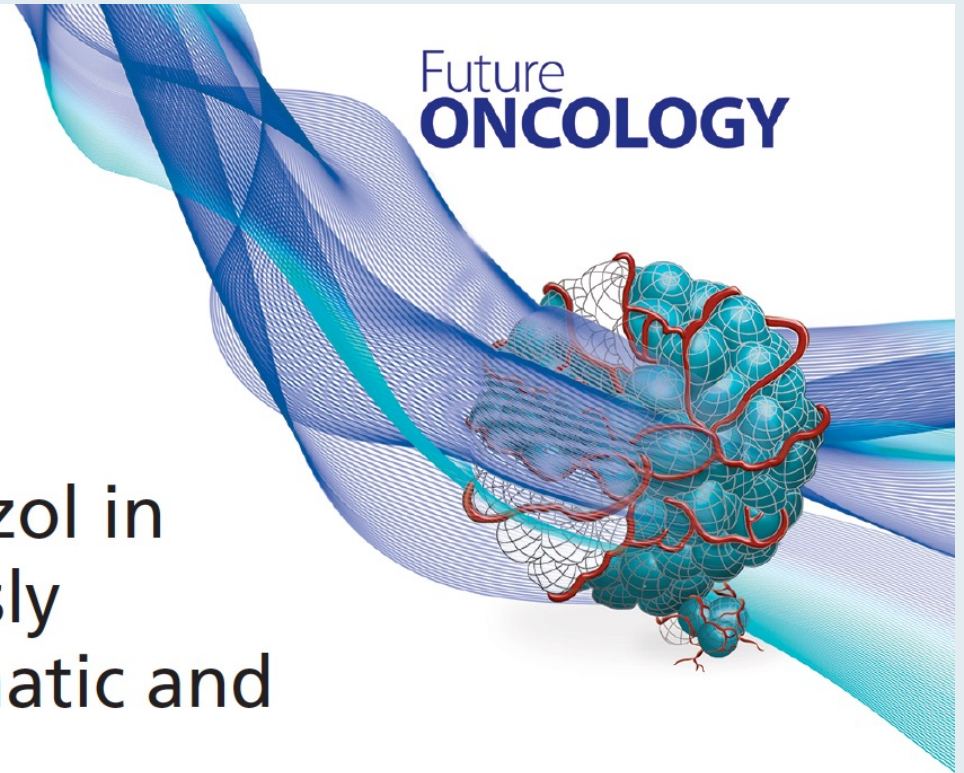
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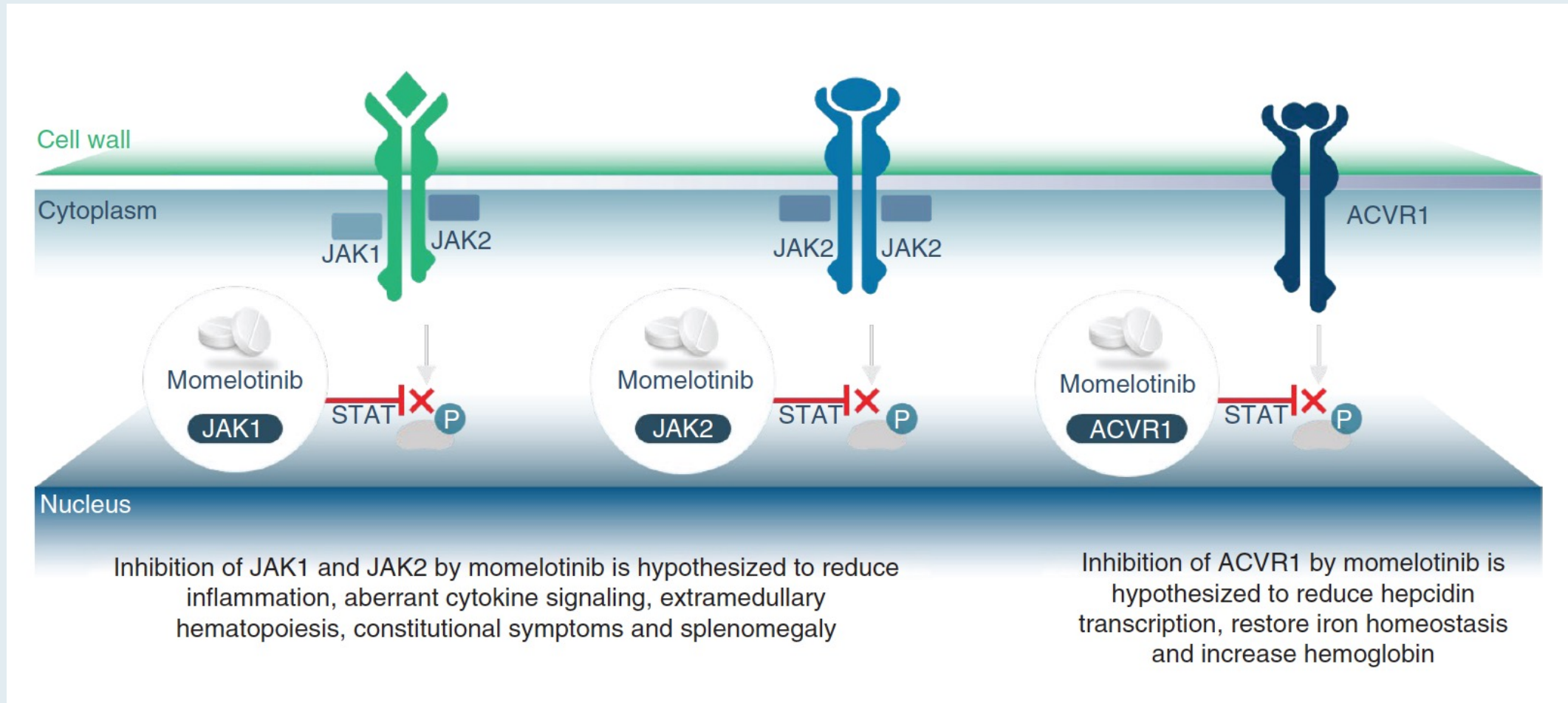
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MOMENTUM: momelotinib vs danazol in patients with myelofibrosis previously treated with JAKi who are symptomatic and anemic

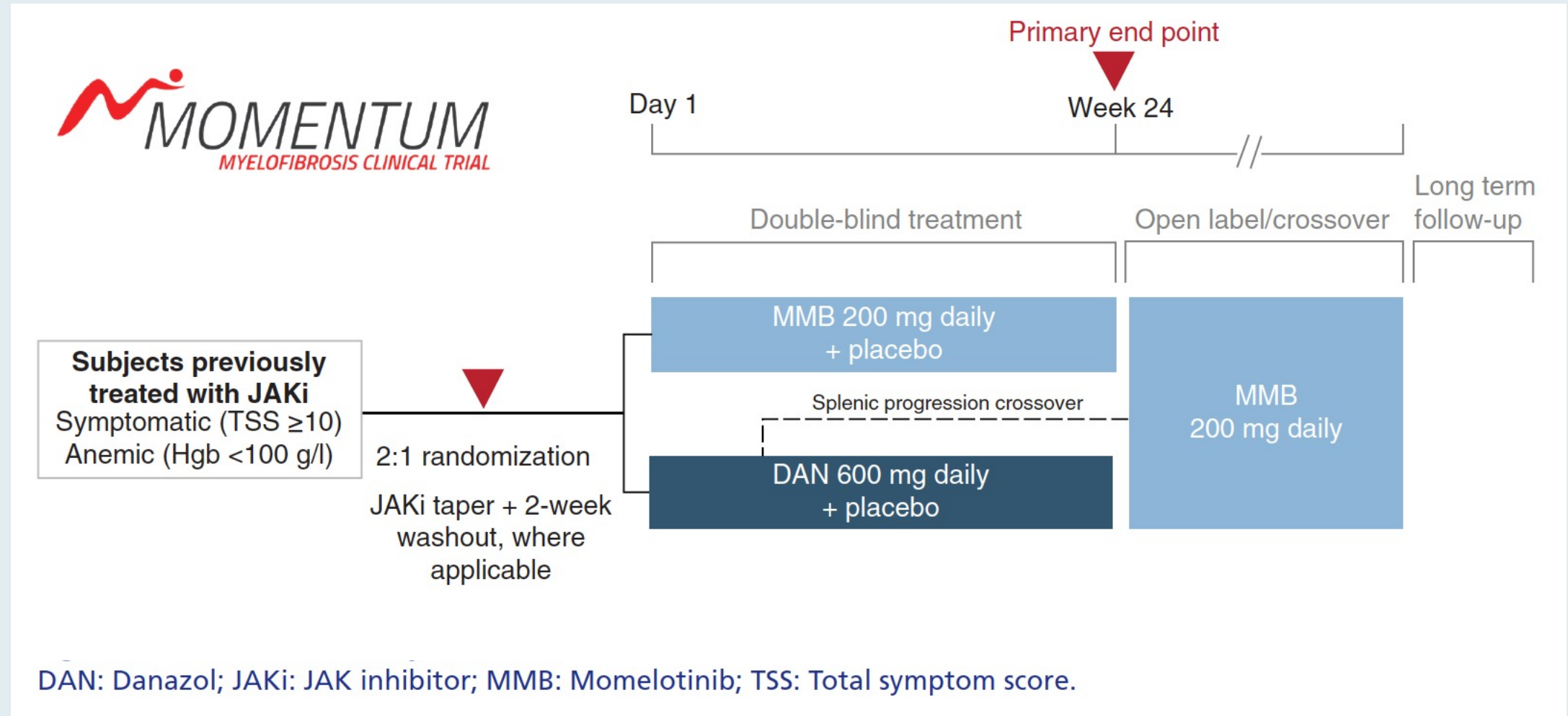
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Momelotinib Therapy May Decrease Inflammation, Improve Splenomegaly and Normalize Hemoglobin



MOMENTUM Study Schematic



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Momelotinib: an emerging treatment for myelofibrosis patients with anemia

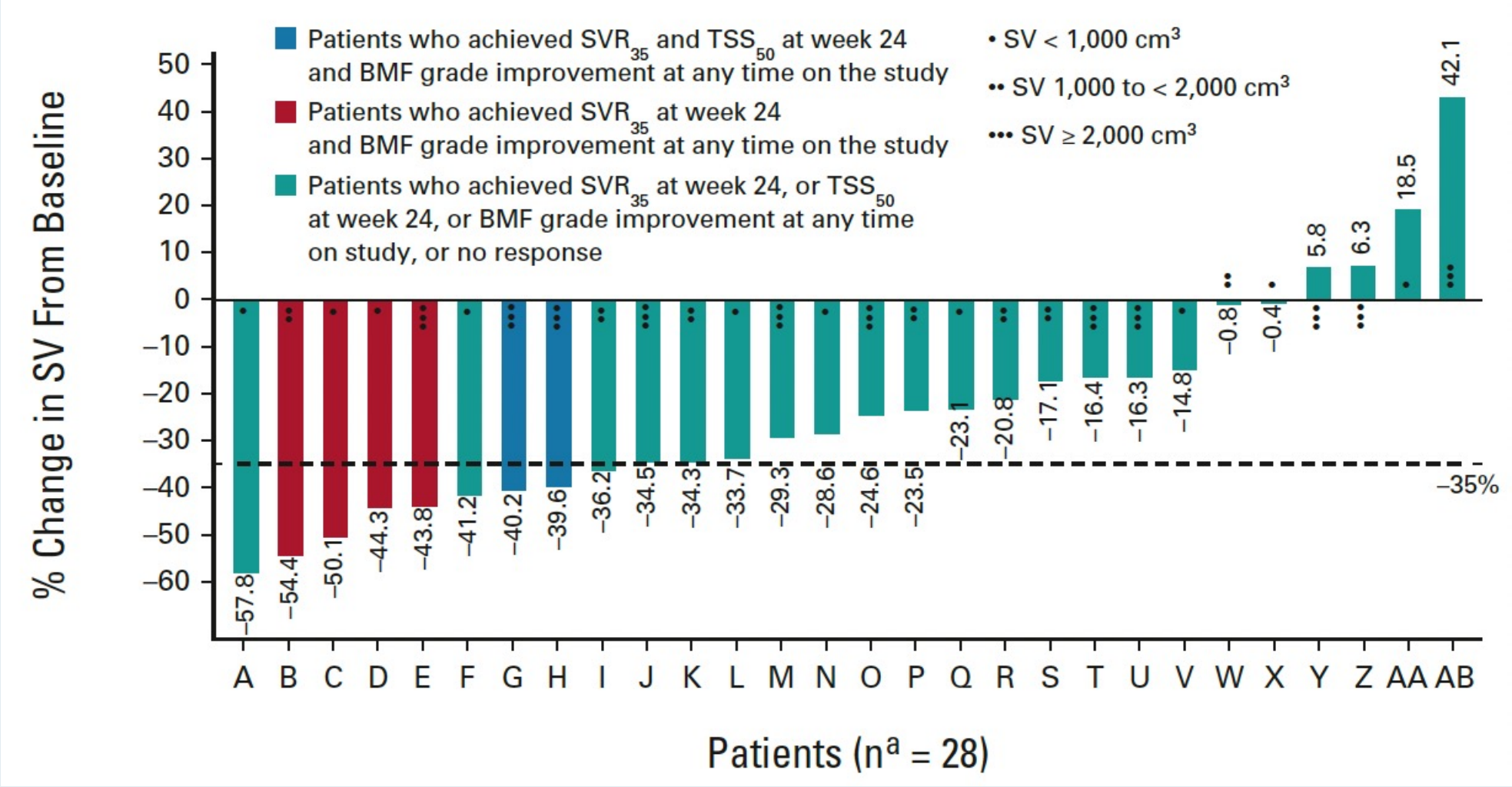
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© Addition of Navitoclax to Ongoing Ruxolitinib Therapy for Patients With Myelofibrosis With Progression or Suboptimal Response: Phase II Safety and Efficacy

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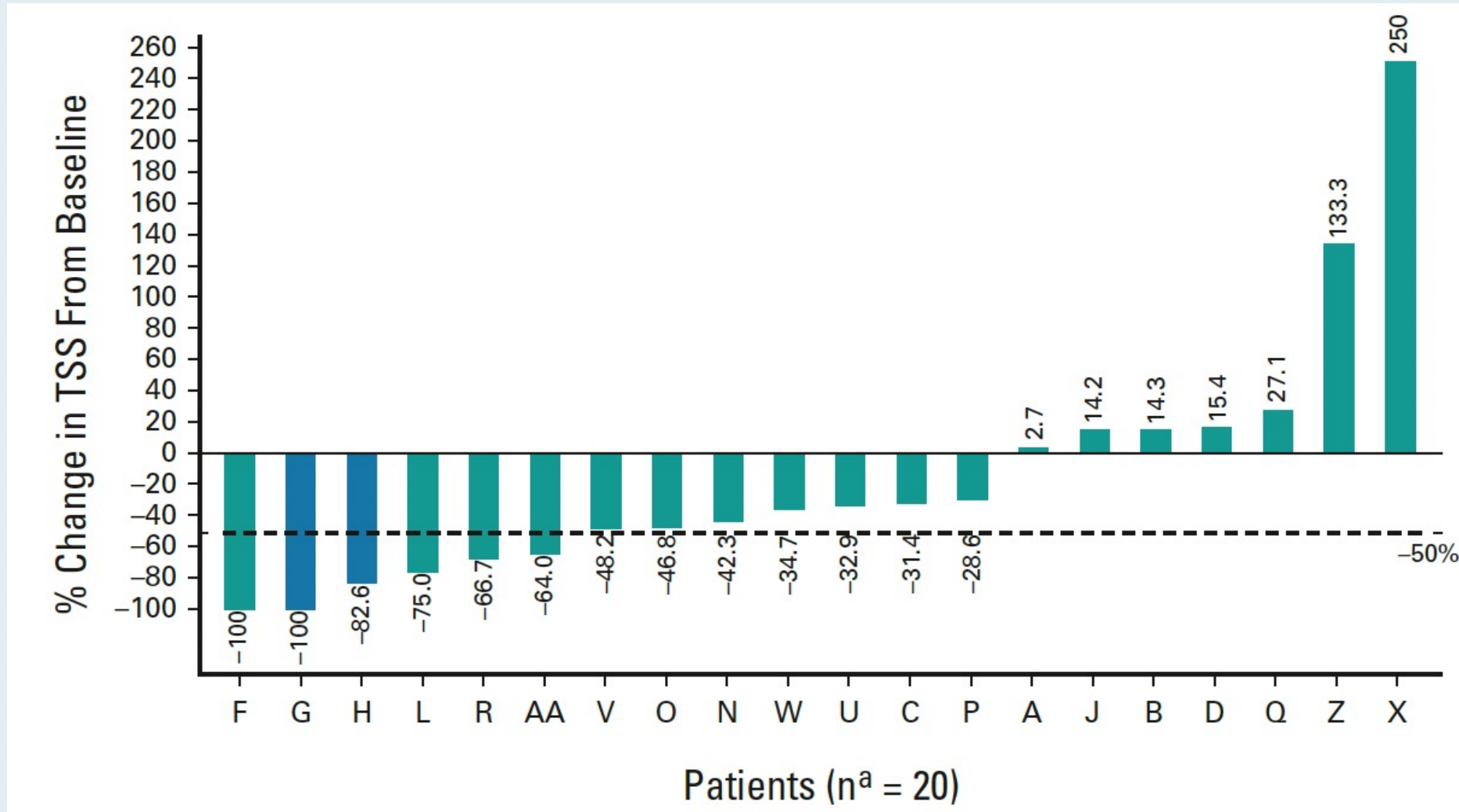
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Percent Change in Spleen Volume from Baseline



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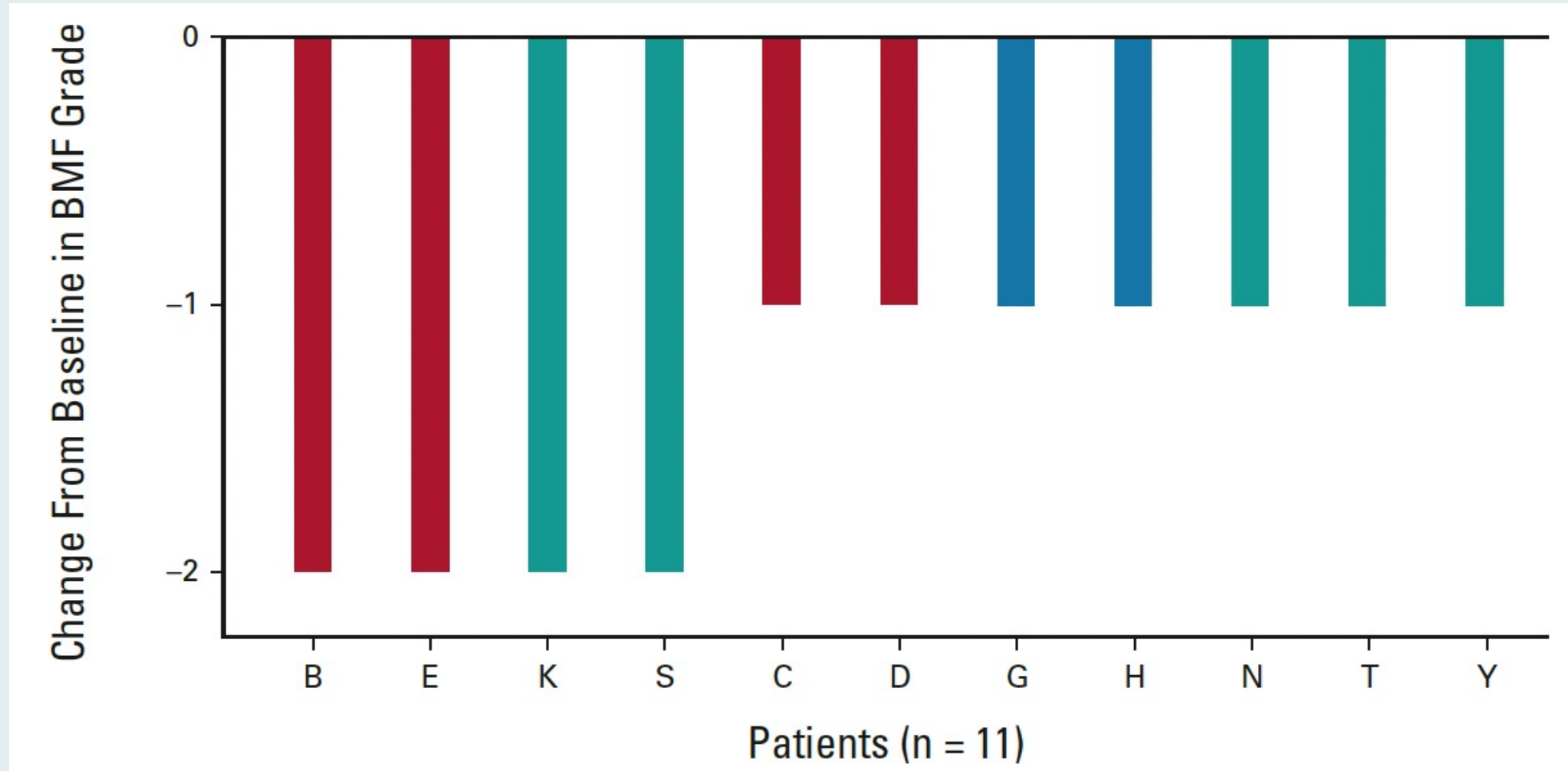
Percent Change in TSS from Baseline at Week 24



TSS = total symptom score

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Percent Change in Bone Marrow Fibrosis (BMF) from Baseline



A Randomized Open-Label, Phase 3 Study to Evaluate Imetelstat versus Best Available Therapy (BAT) in Patients with Intermediate-2 (Int-2) or High-Risk Myelofibrosis (MF) Refractory to Janus Kinase Inhibitor (JAKi)

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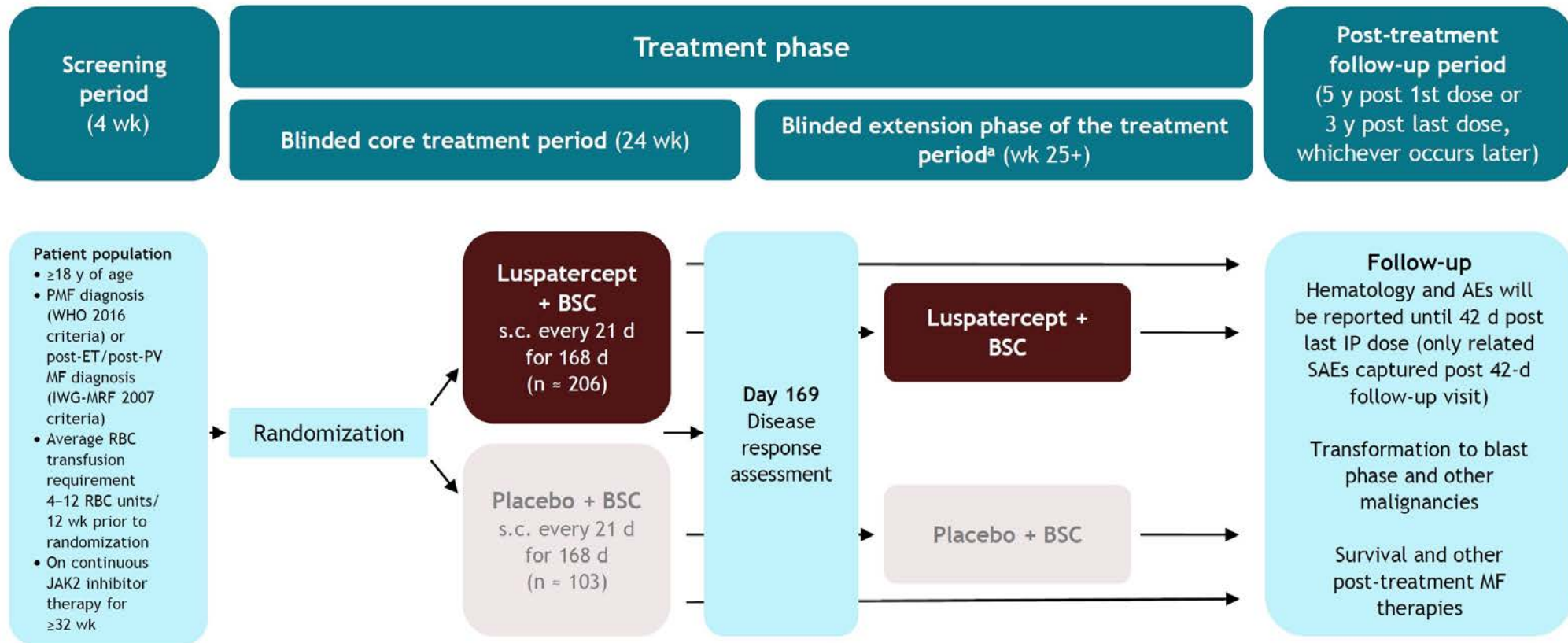
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INDEPENDENCE: A Phase 3 Study of Efficacy and Safety of Luspatercept versus Placebo in Patients with Myeloproliferative Neoplasm-Associated Myelofibrosis on JAK2 Inhibitor Therapy and Requiring Red Blood Cell Transfusions

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Figure. The INDEPENDENCE trial design



^aPatients on study can be unblinded after analysis of the primary endpoint and with data monitoring committee consultation. Patients receiving placebo have the opportunity to receive luspatercept treatment and be treated for ≥ 24 wk in the open-label extension treatment period as long as they continue to demonstrate benefit from treatment, or they experience transformation to blast phase, unacceptable toxicities, or meet any other criteria for treatment discontinuation.

AE, adverse event; BSC, best supportive care; d, day; ET, essential thrombocythemia; IP, investigational product; IWG-MRF, International Working Group for Myelofibrosis Research and Treatment; MF, myelofibrosis; PMF, primary myelofibrosis; PV, polycythemia vera; RBC, red blood cell; SAE, serious adverse event; s.c., subcutaneously; WHO, World Health Organization; wk, week; y, year.

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Which prognostic tool do you typically use for your patients with myelofibrosis (MF)?



Prof Harrison

Multiple tools, but don't tend to use GIPSS



Dr Stein

MIPSS70 plus version 2.0



Dr Mascarenhas

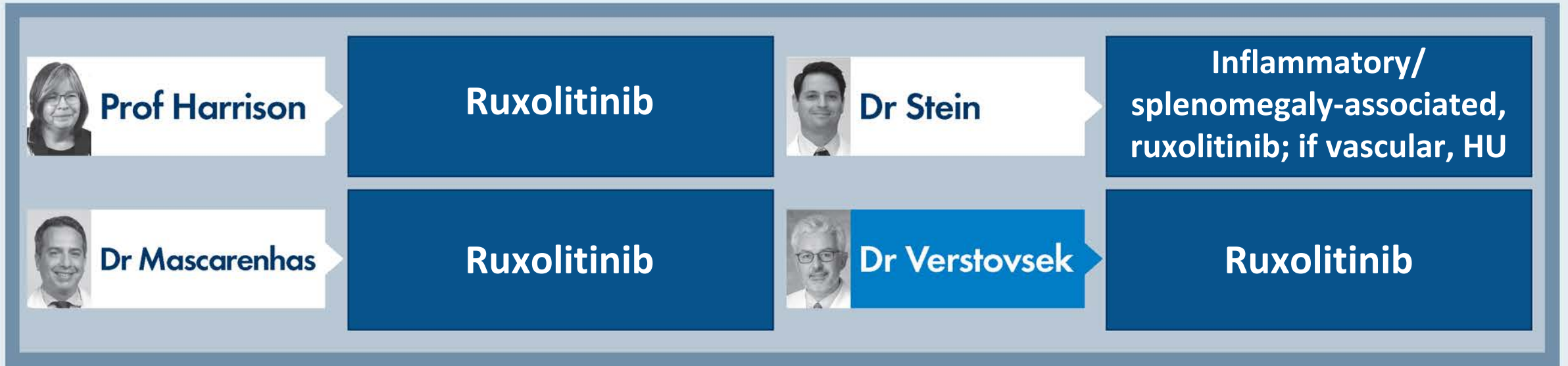
DIPSS



Dr Verstovsek

DIPSS

For a 65-year-old patient with lower-risk, symptomatic MF, which treatment would you generally recommend?



HU = hydroxyurea

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside and assuming you could access all these agents, for a 65-year-old patient with higher-risk, symptomatic MF, splenomegaly and a platelet count of 40,000/ μ L, which treatment would you generally recommend (assuming the patient is not a transplant candidate)?



Prof Harrison

**Ruxolitinib or
pacritinib**



Dr Stein

Pacritinib



Dr Mascarenhas

Pacritinib



Dr Verstovsek

Pacritinib

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside and assuming you could access all these agents, for a 65-year-old patient with higher-risk, symptomatic MF, splenomegaly and transfusion-dependent anemia (Hgb 8.0 g/dL), which treatment would you generally recommend (assuming the patient is not a transplant candidate)?



Prof Harrison

Ruxolitinib



Dr Stein

Momelotinib



Dr Mascarenhas

Momelotinib



Dr Verstovsek

Momelotinib

If treating a patient with higher-risk, symptomatic MF, splenomegaly and a platelet count of 150,000/ μ L with ruxolitinib, what starting dose would you generally use?



Prof Harrison

10 mg BID



Dr Stein

15 mg BID



Dr Mascarenhas

10 mg BID



Dr Verstovsek

15 mg BID

What is the maximum dose of ruxolitinib that you would use for a patient with MF?



Prof Harrison

25 mg BID



Dr Stein

20 mg BID



Dr Mascarenhas

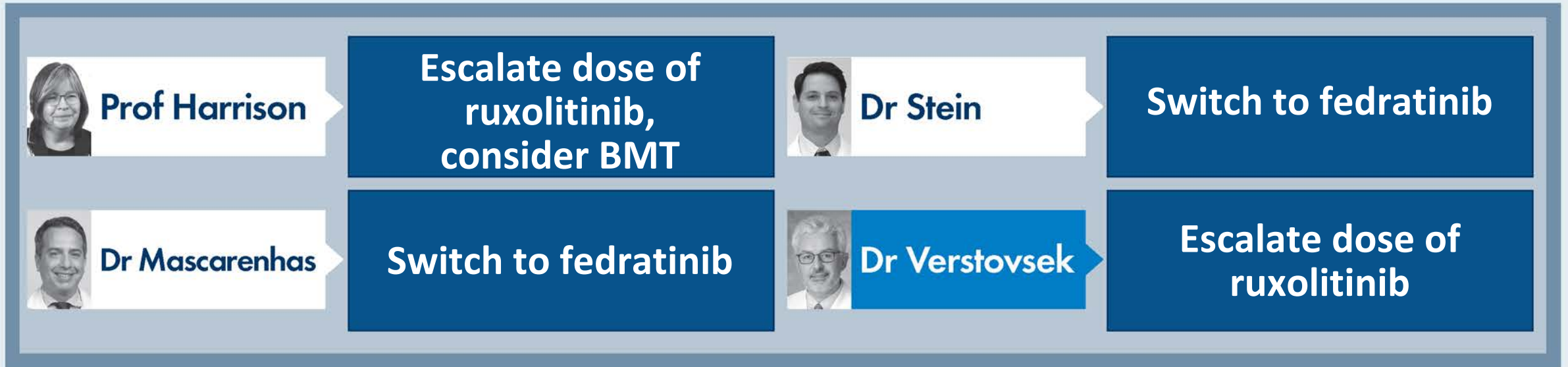
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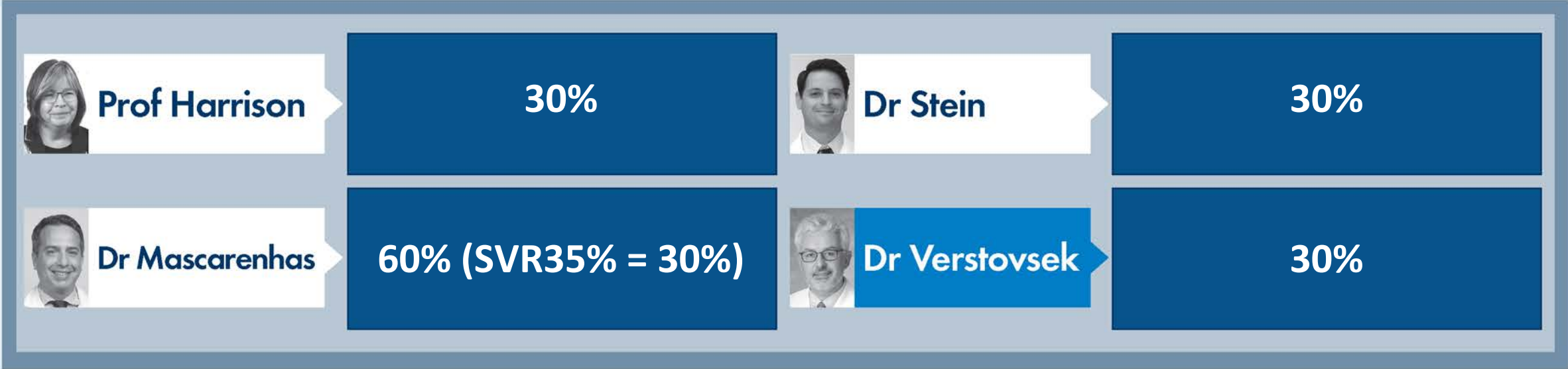
25 mg BID

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside and assuming you could access all these agents, if a 65-year-old patient with higher-risk, symptomatic MF did not experience reduction in spleen size or improvement in symptoms after 3 months of standard-dose ruxolitinib, which of the following would you most likely attempt (assuming normal renal and hepatic function and a platelet count $>200,000/\mu\text{L}$)?



BMT = bone marrow transplant

If you decided to switch to fedratinib for the patient in the previous scenario, what would you estimate is the likelihood that he or she would respond?



When discontinuing ruxolitinib due to insufficient response, intolerance or progressive disease, do you generally taper off or discontinue immediately?



Prof Harrison

Taper by reducing by 5 mg q3-5 days



Dr Stein

Taper over 2 weeks if possible, decreasing by 5-mg increments each several days



Dr Mascarenhas

Taper over a week unless patient on 5 mg BID and then would taper over 2 days



Dr Verstovsek

Taper by decreasing by 10 mg BID weekly

Based on current clinical trial data and your personal experience, how would you compare patient-reported symptom relief with ruxolitinib to that with fedratinib?



Prof Harrison

Ruxolitinib provides greater improvement in symptoms



Dr Stein

Ruxolitinib provides greater improvement in symptoms



Dr Mascarenhas

Ruxolitinib provides greater improvement in symptoms



Dr Verstovsek

About the same

A 65-year-old man with symptomatic, higher-risk MF and splenomegaly (baseline platelet count 110,000/ μ L) receives ruxolitinib 15 mg BID and responds with significant clinical improvement. Approximately 3 years later, he presents with drenching night sweats, fatigue, abdominal discomfort and an increase in spleen size. Platelet count = 44,000/ μ L, Hgb = 11.2 g/dL. Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what treatment would you most likely recommend next if the patient is transplant ineligible?



Prof Harrison

Pacritinib



Dr Stein

Pacritinib



Dr Mascarenhas

Pacritinib



Dr Verstovsek

Pacritinib

Do you believe pacritinib has real pharmacologic advantages over other available JAK inhibitors that make it a preferable treatment option for patients with MF and low platelet counts?



Prof Harrison

Yes



Dr Stein

Yes



Dr Mascarenhas

Yes



Dr Verstovsek

Yes

Do you believe that the risk of bleeding and/or cardiovascular toxicities is a significant concern for patients with MF receiving pacritinib?



Prof Harrison

Yes



Dr Stein

No



Dr Mascarenhas

No



Dr Verstovsek

No

A 70-year-old woman presents with lower-risk MF and anemia, for which she has been transfusion dependent for 4 months. Nutritional deficiency and hemolysis are ruled out, and she does not have any other symptoms and no splenomegaly on physical exam. Her serum EPO is 750 mU/mL. What would you recommend?



Prof Harrison

Lenalidomide



Dr Stein

**Danazol or
thalidomide**



Dr Mascarenhas

Danazol



Dr Verstovsek

Danazol

A 55-year-old man with higher-risk MF is receiving ruxolitinib while awaiting allogeneic stem cell transplantation, with significant improvement of splenomegaly. When would you stop ruxolitinib?



Prof Harrison

During conditioning



Dr Stein

Just before conditioning therapy



Dr Mascarenhas

Just before conditioning therapy



Dr Verstovsek

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COMFORT-I and COMFORT-II: Ruxolitinib for Intermediate-2- or High-Risk MF

- Randomized Phase III studies in which patients with intermediate 2- or high-risk MF received ruxolitinib (15 or 20 mg BID) versus placebo (COMFORT-I, N = 309) or best available therapy (COMFORT-II, N = 149)

Efficacy outcomes	COMFORT-I, Wk 24 ¹		p-value	COMFORT-II, Wk 48 ²		p-value
	Ruxolitinib (n = 155)	Placebo (n = 154)		Ruxolitinib (n = 144)	BAT (n = 72)	
Spleen volume reduction ≥35%	41.9%	0.7%	< 0.001	28%	0	< 0.001
≥50% reduction in MF-SAF TSS	45.9%	5.3%	< 0.001	NR	NR	NR
Safety outcomes						
Discontinued due to AEs	11.0%	10.6%	NR	8%	5%	NR
Grade 3/4 anemia	45%	19%		NR	NR	
Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia	13%	1%		NR	NR	
Grade 3/4 neutropenia	7%	2%		NR	NR	

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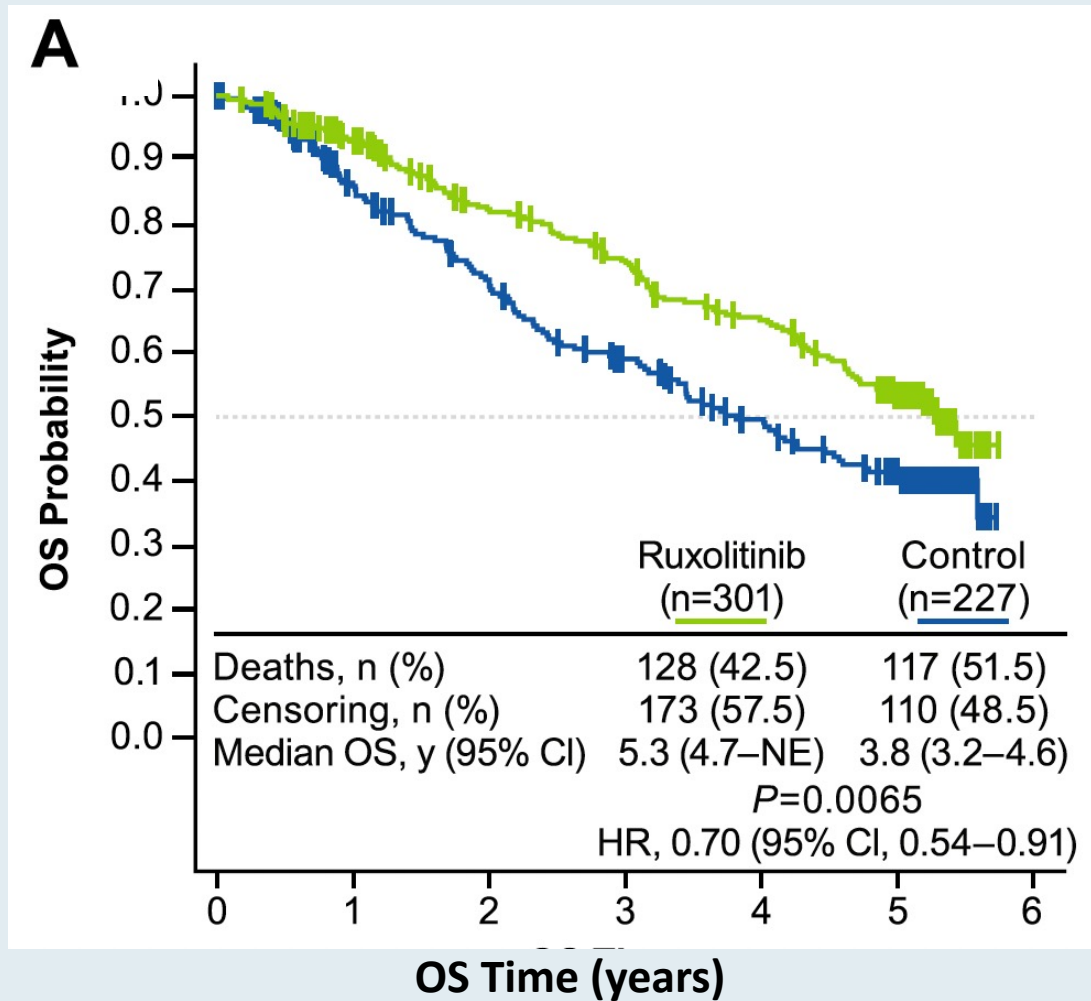


Long-term survival in patients treated with ruxolitinib for myelofibrosis: COMFORT-I and -II pooled analyses

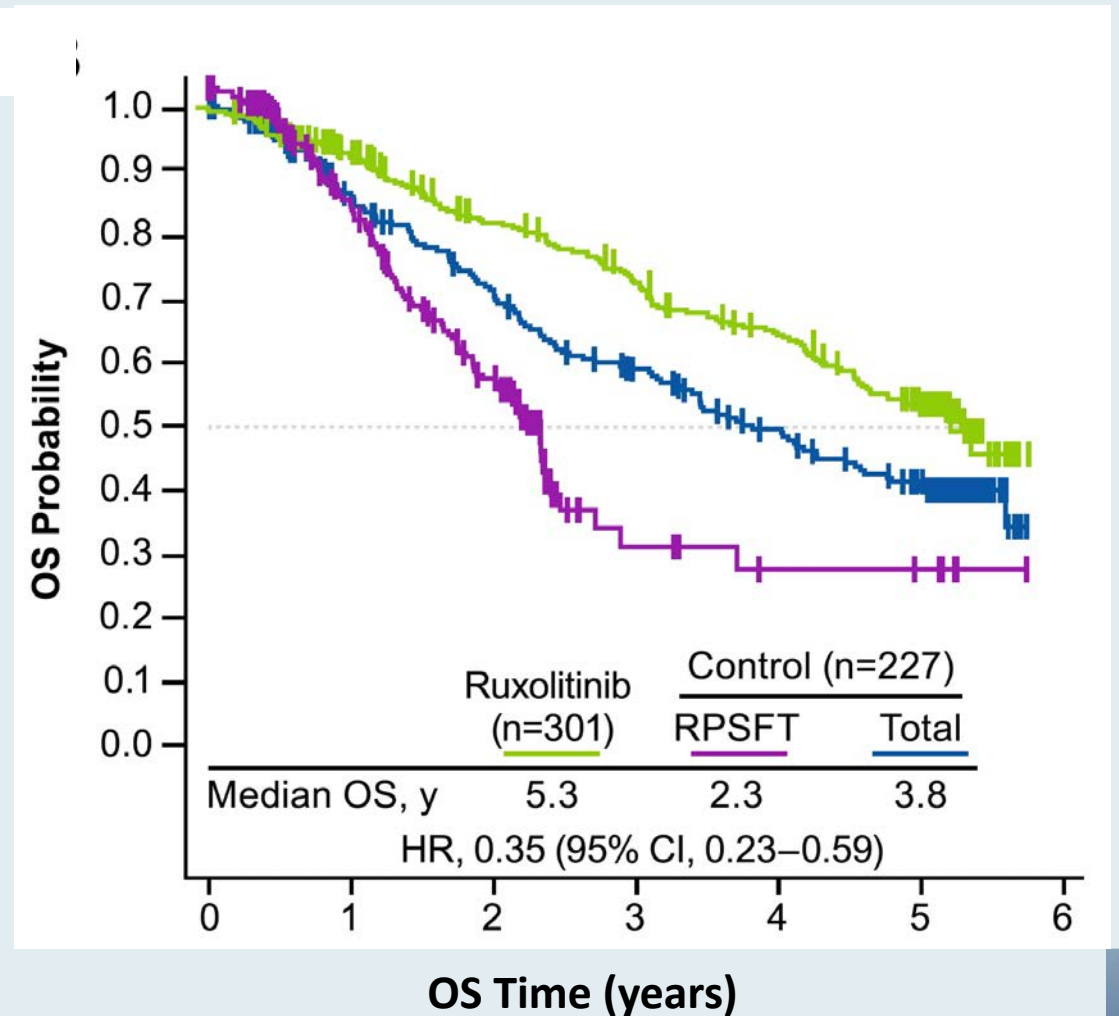
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COMFORT-I and COMFORT-II Pooled Analyses: Long-Term Survival with Ruxolitinib

OS (5-Year ITT Population)



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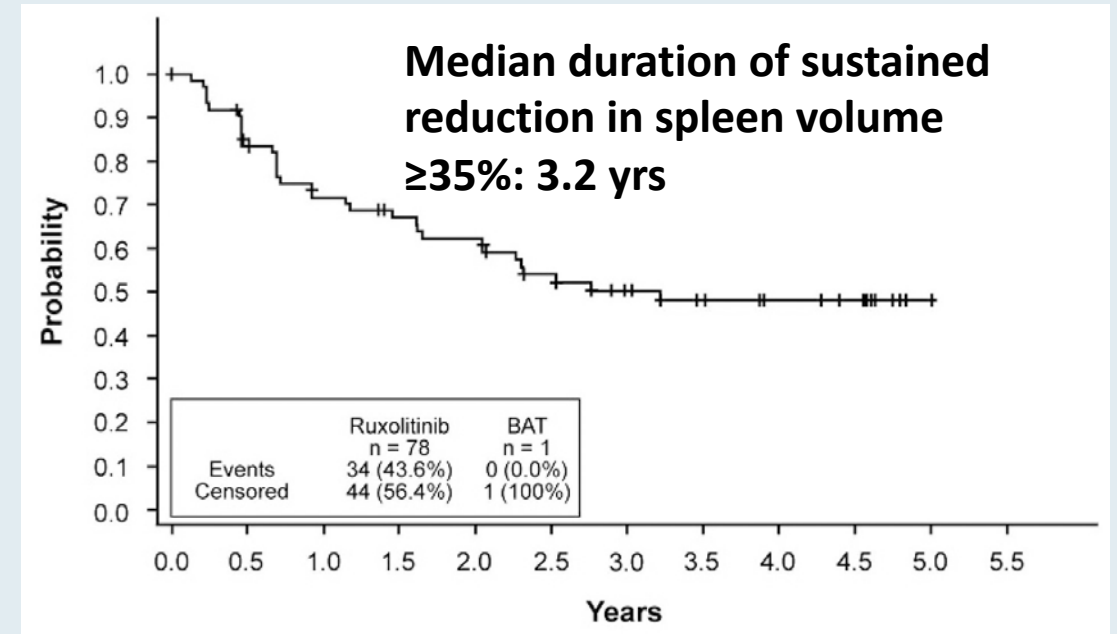
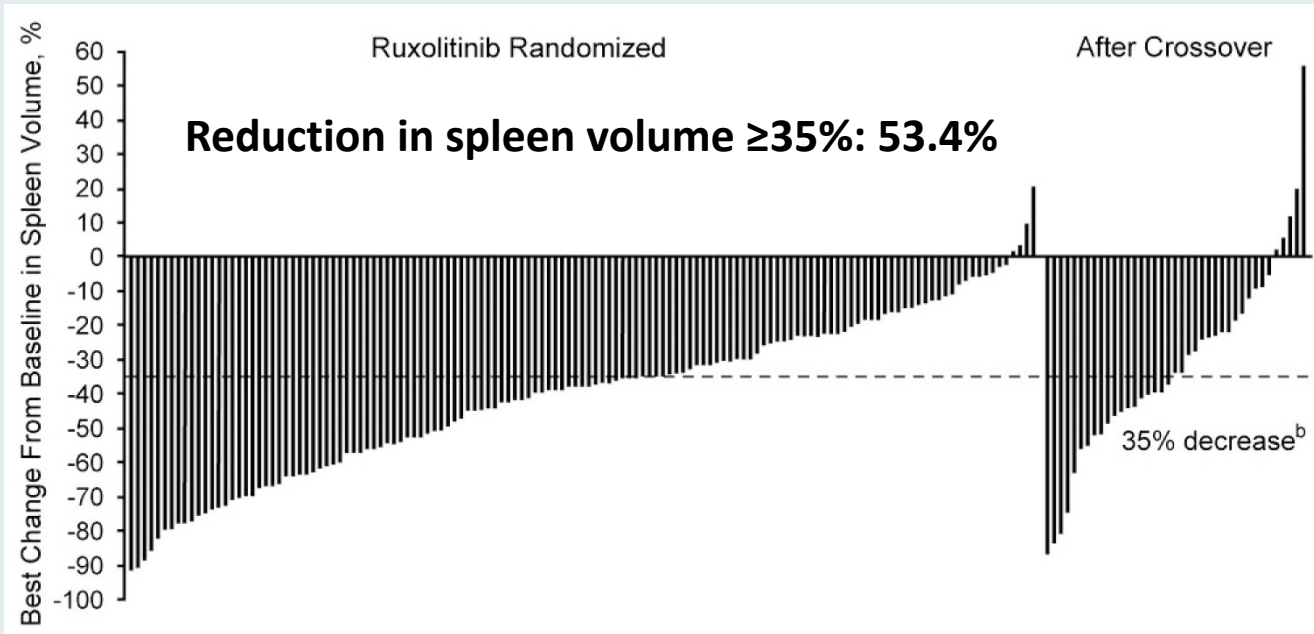
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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Long-term findings from COMFORT-II, a phase 3 study of ruxolitinib vs best available therapy for myelofibrosis

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COMFORT-II Final 5-Year Analysis: Rates and Duration of Splenic Reduction



COMFORT-II Final 5-Year Analysis: Exposure-Adjusted Rates of Grade 3/4 Adverse Events

	BAT (n = 73)	Ruxolitinib (n = 191)
Any AE	36%	275
Anemia	8%	9%
Thrombocytopenia	6%	6%
Pneumonia	6%	2%
General physical health deterioration	5%	2%
Acute renal failure	0	1%

Primary analysis of JUMP, a phase 3b, expanded-access study evaluating the safety and efficacy of ruxolitinib in patients with myelofibrosis, including those with low platelet counts

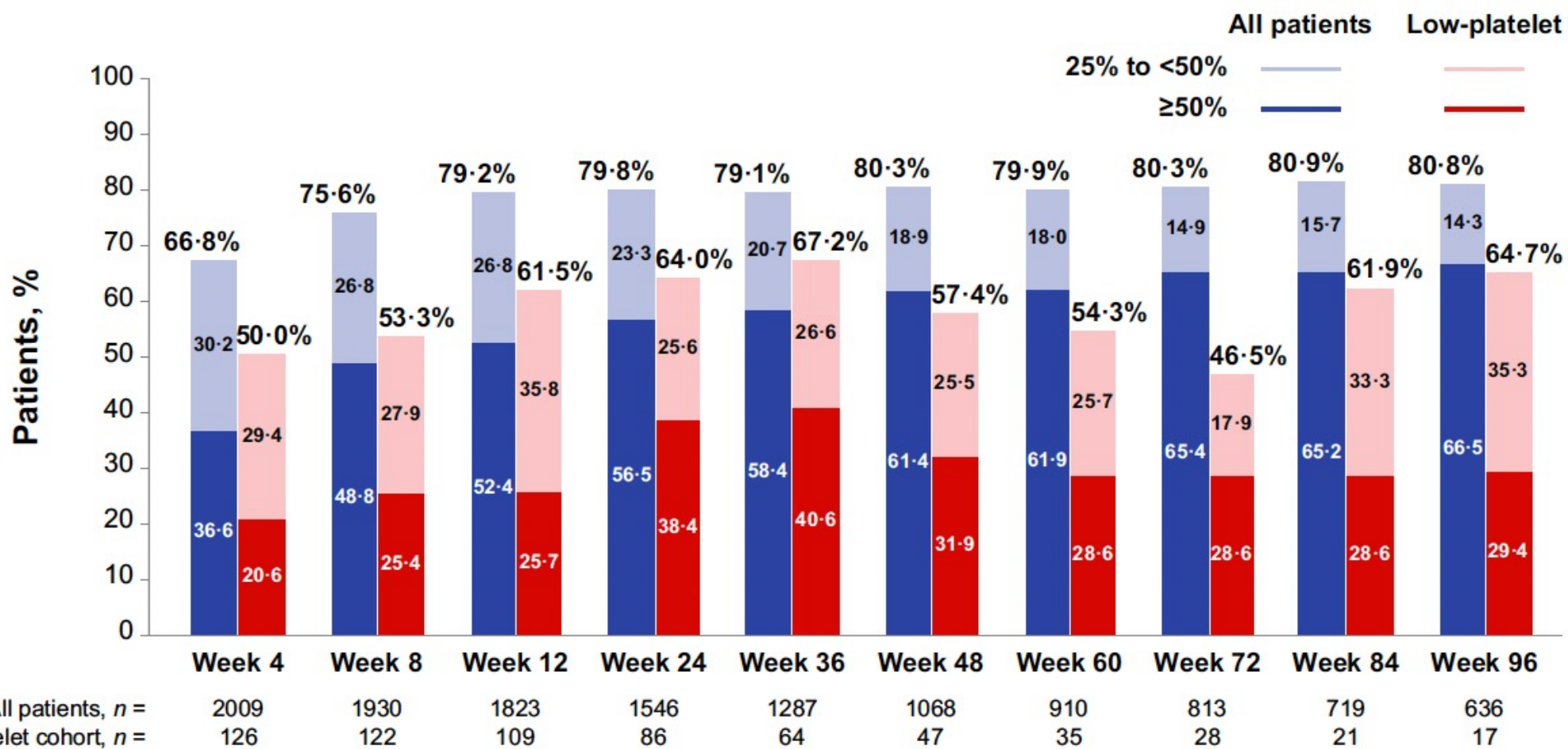
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JUMP: Baseline Characteristics

Parameter	All patients (N = 2,233)	Plt count (<100 x 10 ⁹ /l) (n = 138)	Plt count (≥100 x 10 ⁹ /l) (n = 2,087)
Median age	67.0	67.5	67.0
Time since initial diagnosis	25.8 mo	36.1 mo	25.1 mo
DIPSS risk status			
Low	2.7%	0	2.9%
Intermediate-1	37.4%	23.9%	38.4%
Intermediate-2	33.8%	43.5%	33.3%
High	8.7%	8.7%	8.7%
Platelet count, x 10 ⁹ /l			
<50	<0.1%	0.7%	0
≥50 to <75	1.3%	20.3%	0
≥100 to <200	4.9%	79.0%	0
≥200	62.6%	0	67.0%

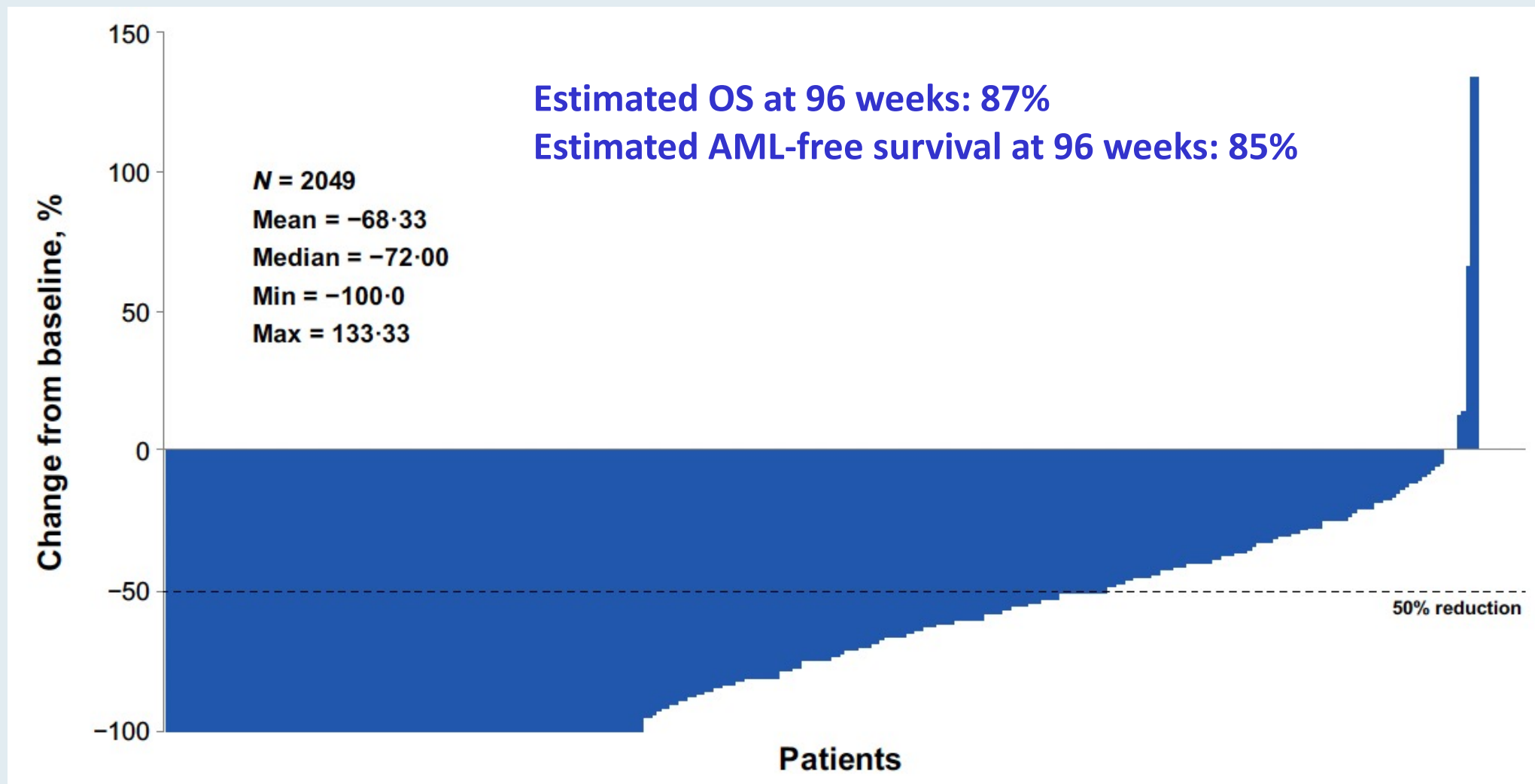
JUMP: Patients with a $\geq 25\%$ and a $\geq 50\%$ Decrease from Baseline in Spleen Length



All patients, n =
Low-platelet cohort, n =

Week 4 Week 8 Week 12 Week 24 Week 36 Week 48 Week 60 Week 72 Week 84 Week 96

JUMP: Best Percent Change from Baseline in Palpable Spleen Length at Any Time in the Overall Patient Population

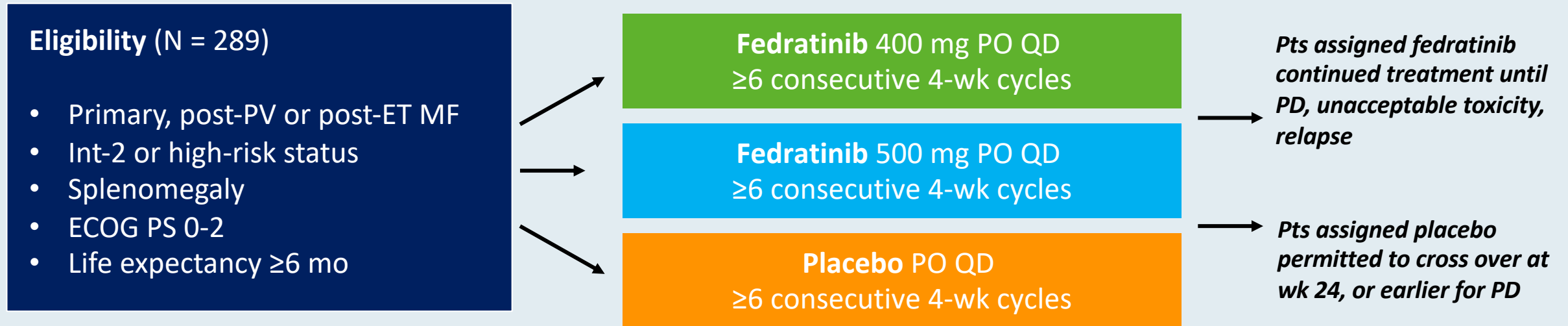


Updated results of the placebo-controlled, phase III JAKARTA trial of fedratinib in patients with intermediate-2 or high-risk myelofibrosis

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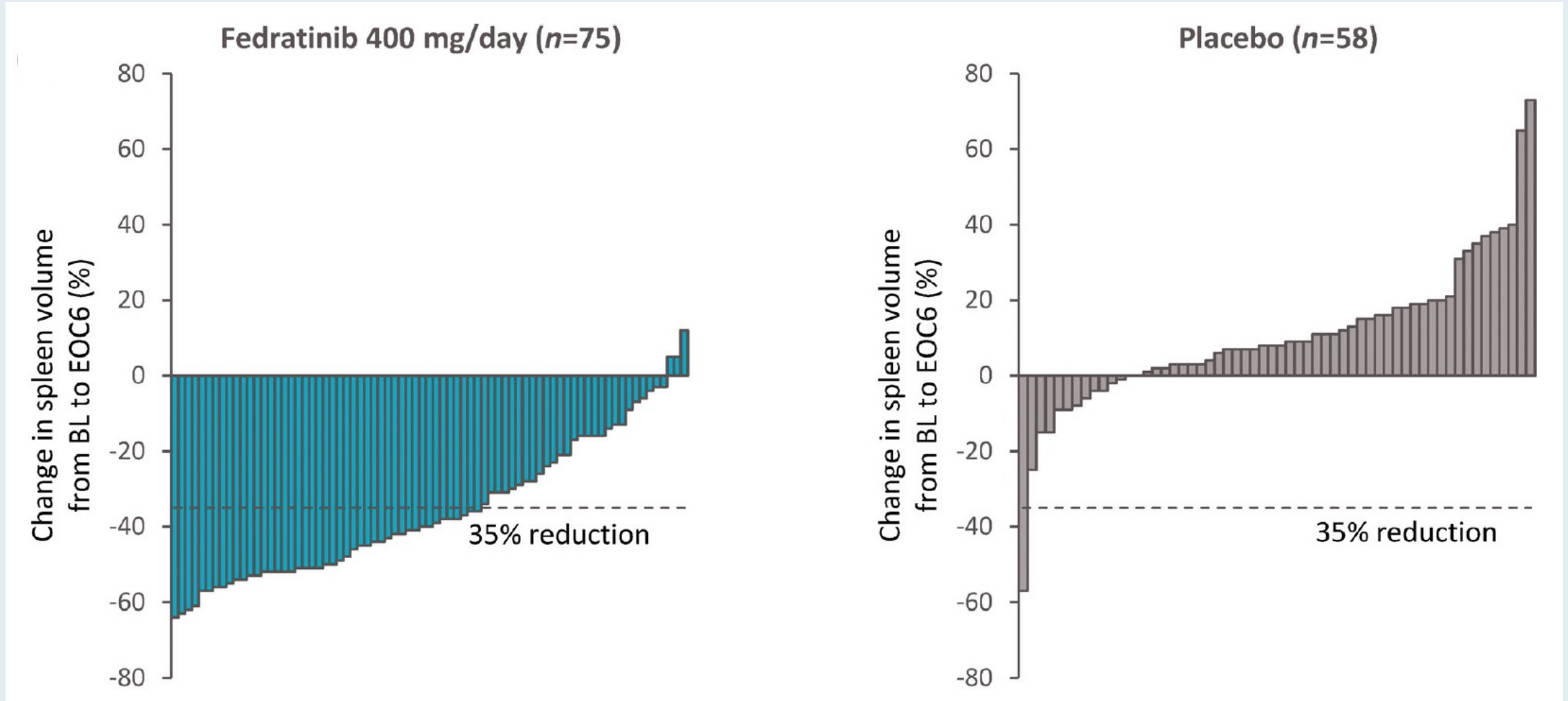
JAKARTA Phase III Study Design



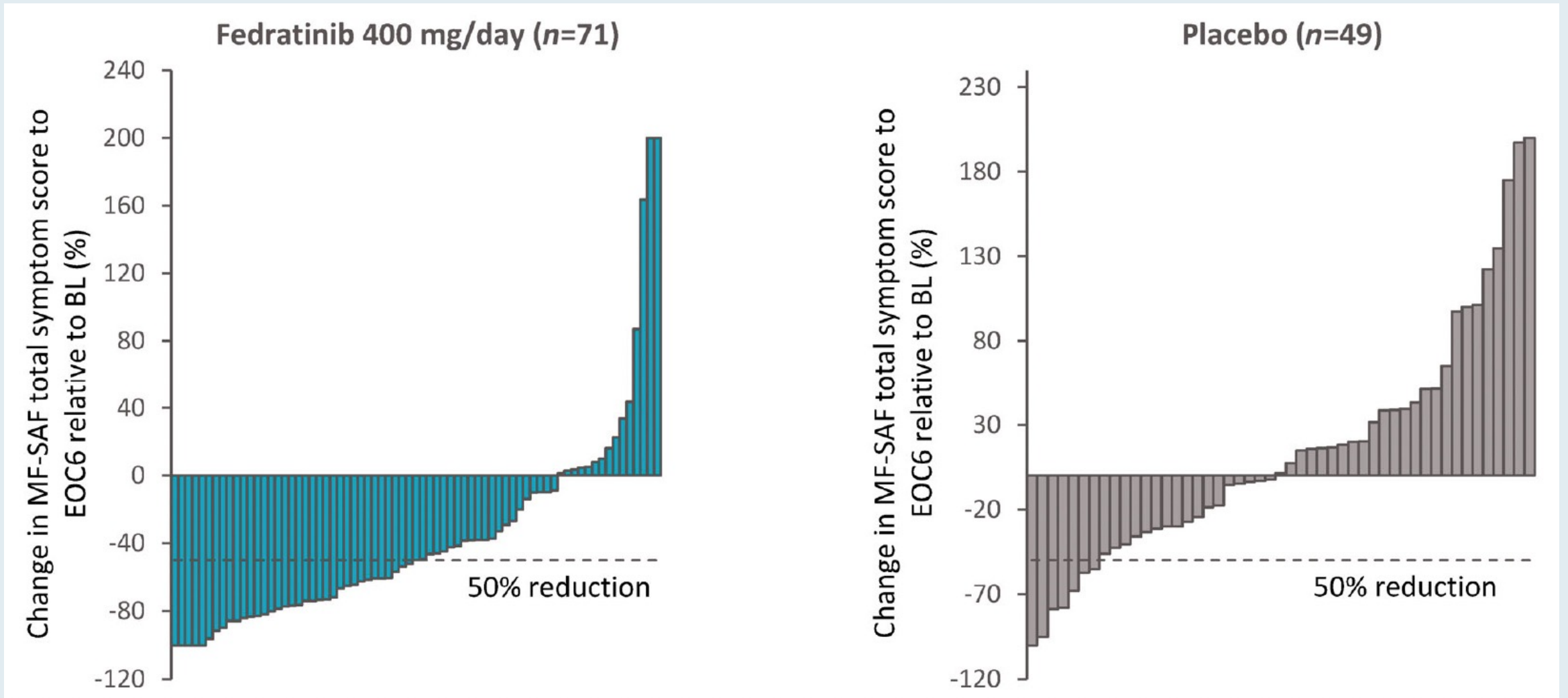
Primary endpoint: Spleen response ($\geq 35\%$ reduction in spleen volume vs BL) at Wk 24, and confirmed 4 wks later

Secondary endpoints: Symptom response ($\geq 50\%$ reduction in TSS), safety

JAKARTA: Change in Spleen Volume from Baseline to End of Cycle 6



JAKARTA: Change in Total Symptom Scores from Baseline to End of Cycle 6



JAKARTA: Selected Adverse Events

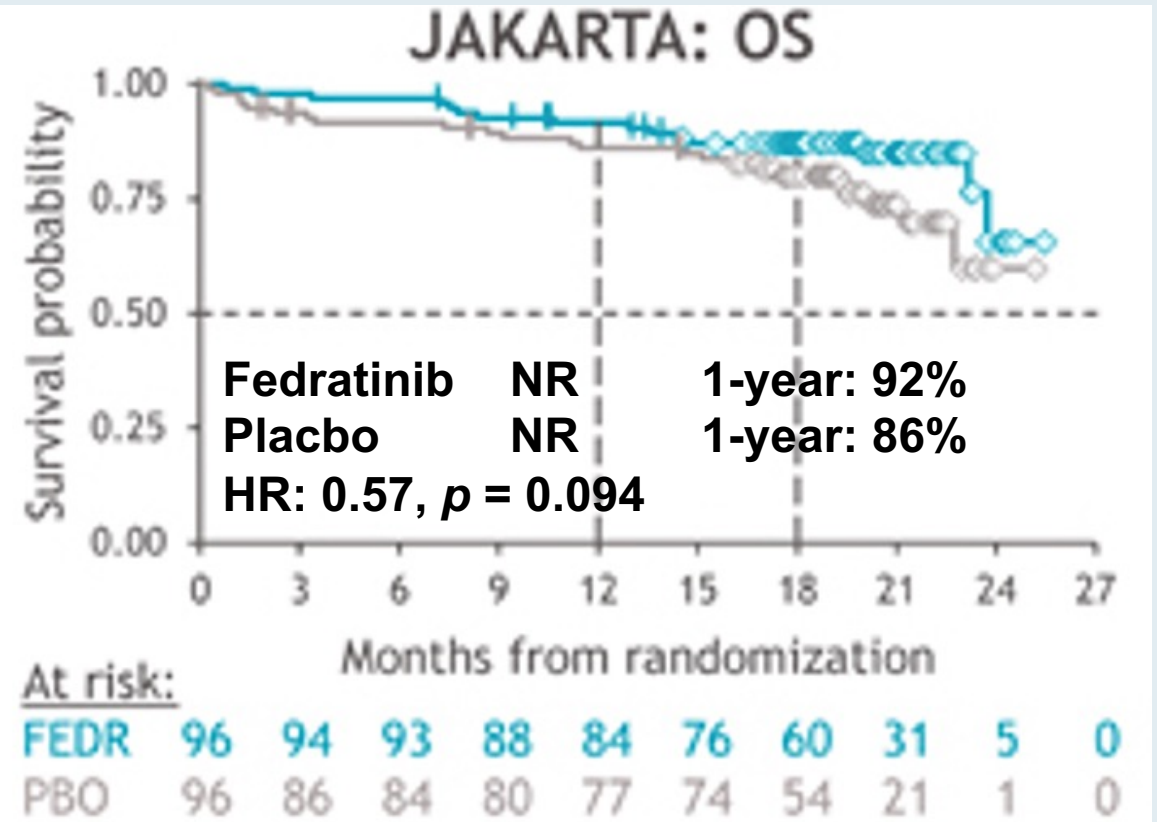
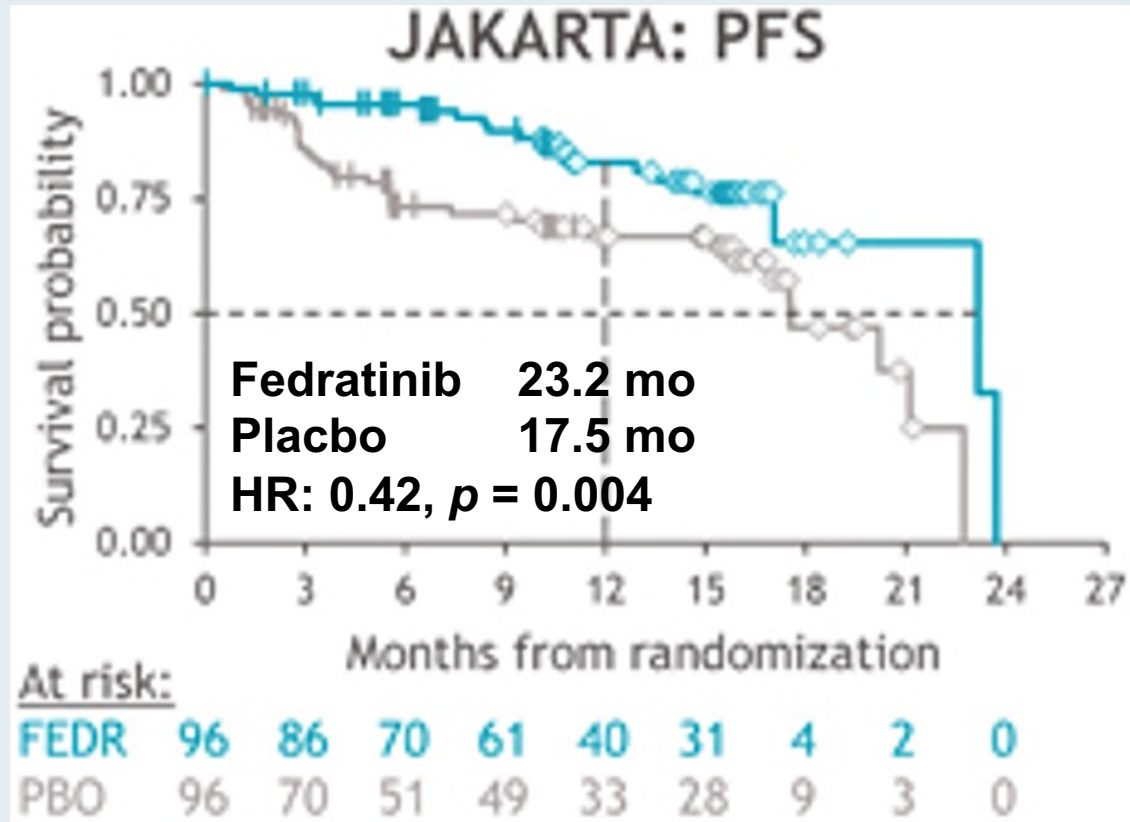
Adverse events	Fedratinib 400 mg (n = 96)		Placebo (n = 95)	
	All grades	Grade ≥3	All grades	Grade ≥3
Diarrhea	66%	5%	16%	0
Nausea	62%	0	15%	0
Anemia	40%	30%	14%	7%
Vomiting	39%	3.1%	5%	0
Fatigue	19%	5%	16%	1.1%
Laboratory parameters				
Anemia	74%	34%	32%	10%
Thrombocytopenia	47%	12%	26%	10%
Neutropenia	23%	5%	13%	3.3%
Biochemistry				
Lipase increased	35%	10%	7%	2.2%

Overall and Progression-Free Survival in Patients Treated with Fedratinib as First-Line Myelofibrosis (MF) Therapy and After Prior Ruxolitinib (RUX): Results from the JAKARTA and JAKARTA2 Trials

Harrison C et al.

EHA 2021;Abstract S203.

JAKARTA: Survival Analysis



New Option for the Management of MF in Patients with Thrombocytopenia: Pacritinib

Phase III PERSIST-1 and PERSIST-2 Study Designs

PERSIST-1

Key Eligibility

- Primary or secondary MF
- Any platelet count
- No prior treatment with JAK2 inhibitors

Randomization

- 2:1 pacritinib vs. BAT
- N=327

Pacritinib
400mg QD

BAT
(excluding ruxolitinib)

Primary Endpoint

- $\geq 35\%$ SVR at Week 24

PERSIST-2

Key Eligibility

- Primary or secondary MF
- Platelet count $< 100,000/\mu\text{L}$
- Prior JAK2 inhibitor therapy allowed

Randomization

- 1:1:1 pacritinib vs. pacritinib vs. BAT
- N=311 (211 completed 24 weeks on study)

Pacritinib
400mg QD

Pacritinib
200mg BID

BAT
(including ruxolitinib)

Co-Primary Endpoints*

- $\geq 35\%$ SVR at Week 24
- $\geq 50\%$ TSS reduction at Week 24

BAT, best available therapy; **SVR**, spleen volume response; **TSS**, total symptom score

* Primary analysis compared pooled pacritinib (400mg QD and 200mg BID) vs. BAT

Research

JAMA Oncol 2018;4(5):652-9.

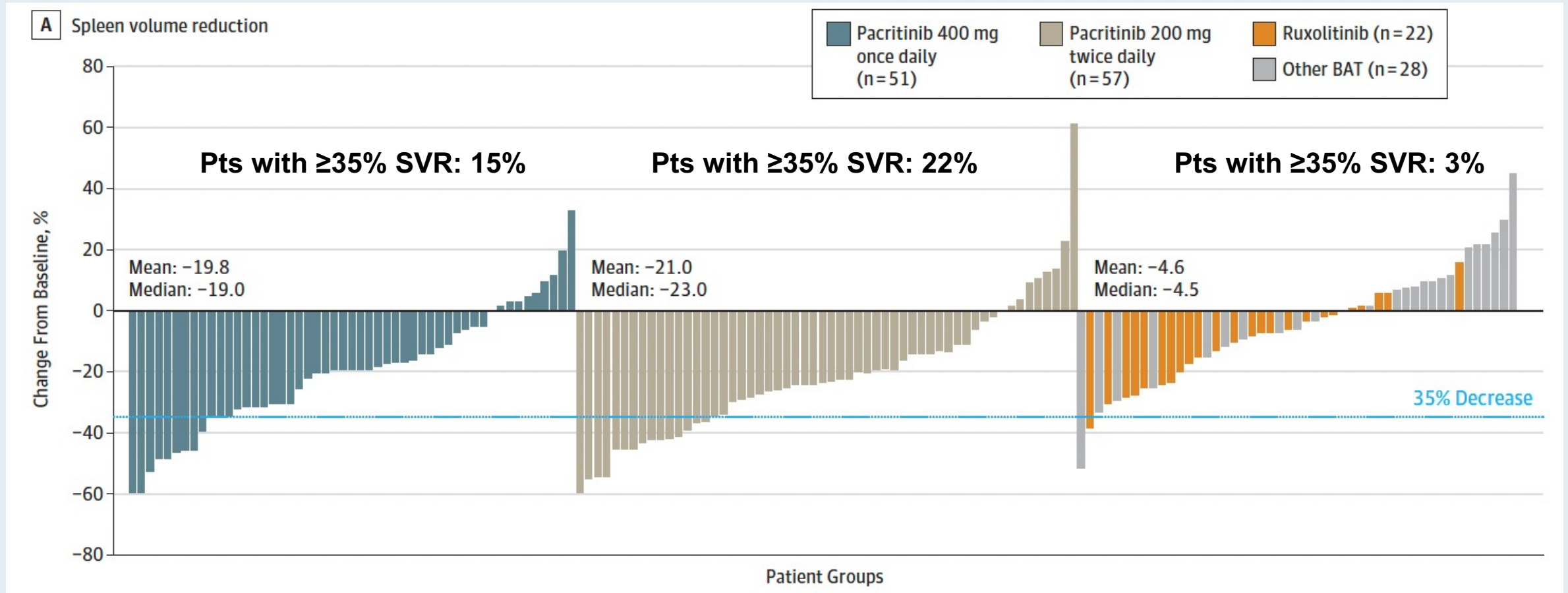
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Pacritinib vs Best Available Therapy, Including Ruxolitinib, in Patients With Myelofibrosis

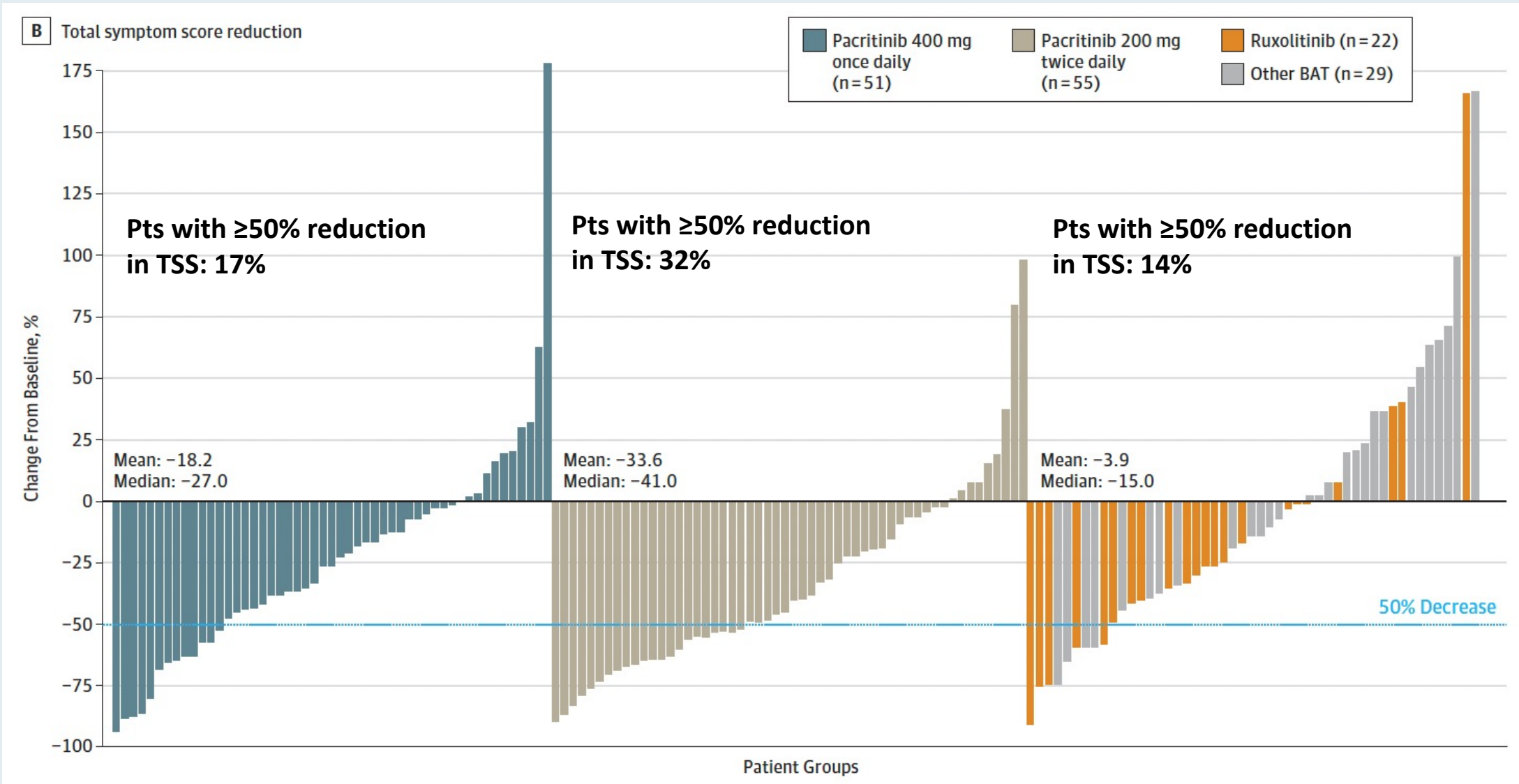
A Randomized Clinical Trial

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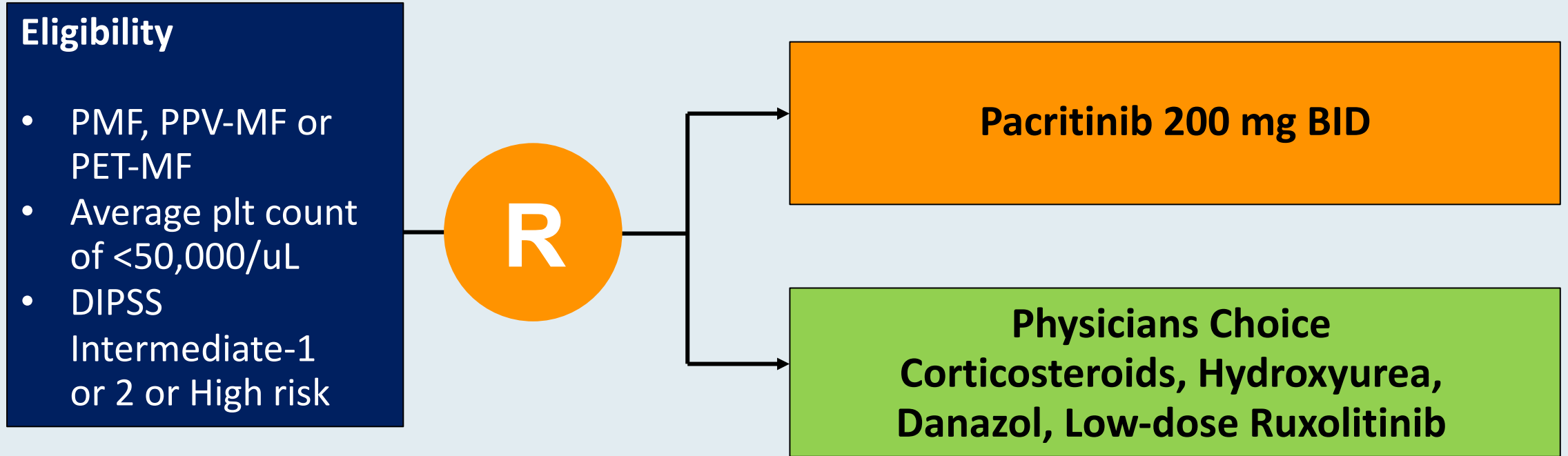
PERSIST-2: Spleen Volume Reduction



PERSIST-2: Reduction in Total Symptom Score



PACIFICA (PAC303) Study Design



Primary Endpoint: Spleen volume

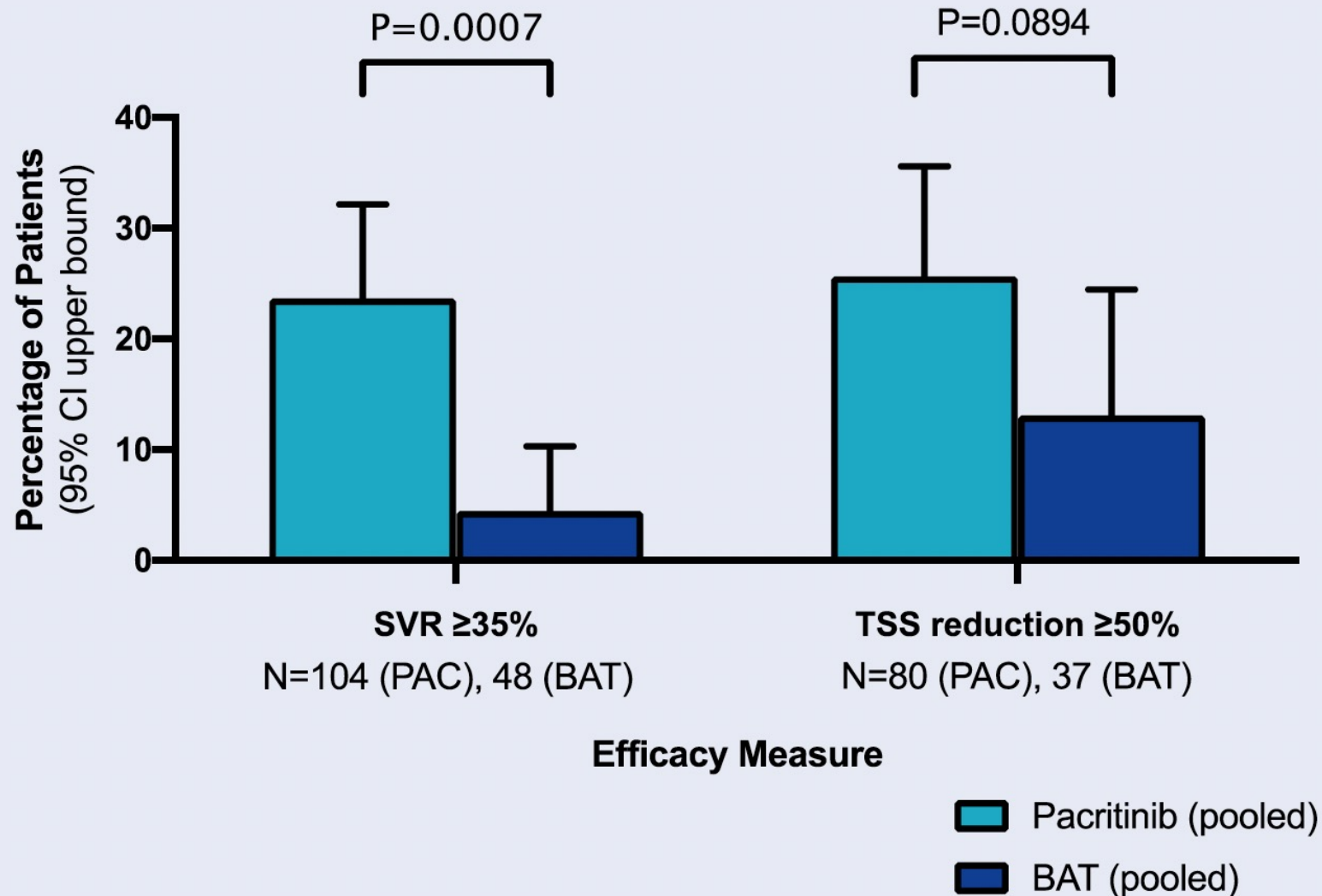
Secondary Endpoints: Total Symptom Score, OS, Patient Global Impression of Change

Pacritinib Demonstrates Efficacy Versus Best Available Therapy in Myelofibrosis Patients with Severe Thrombocytopenia in Two Phase 3 Studies

Mesa RA et al.

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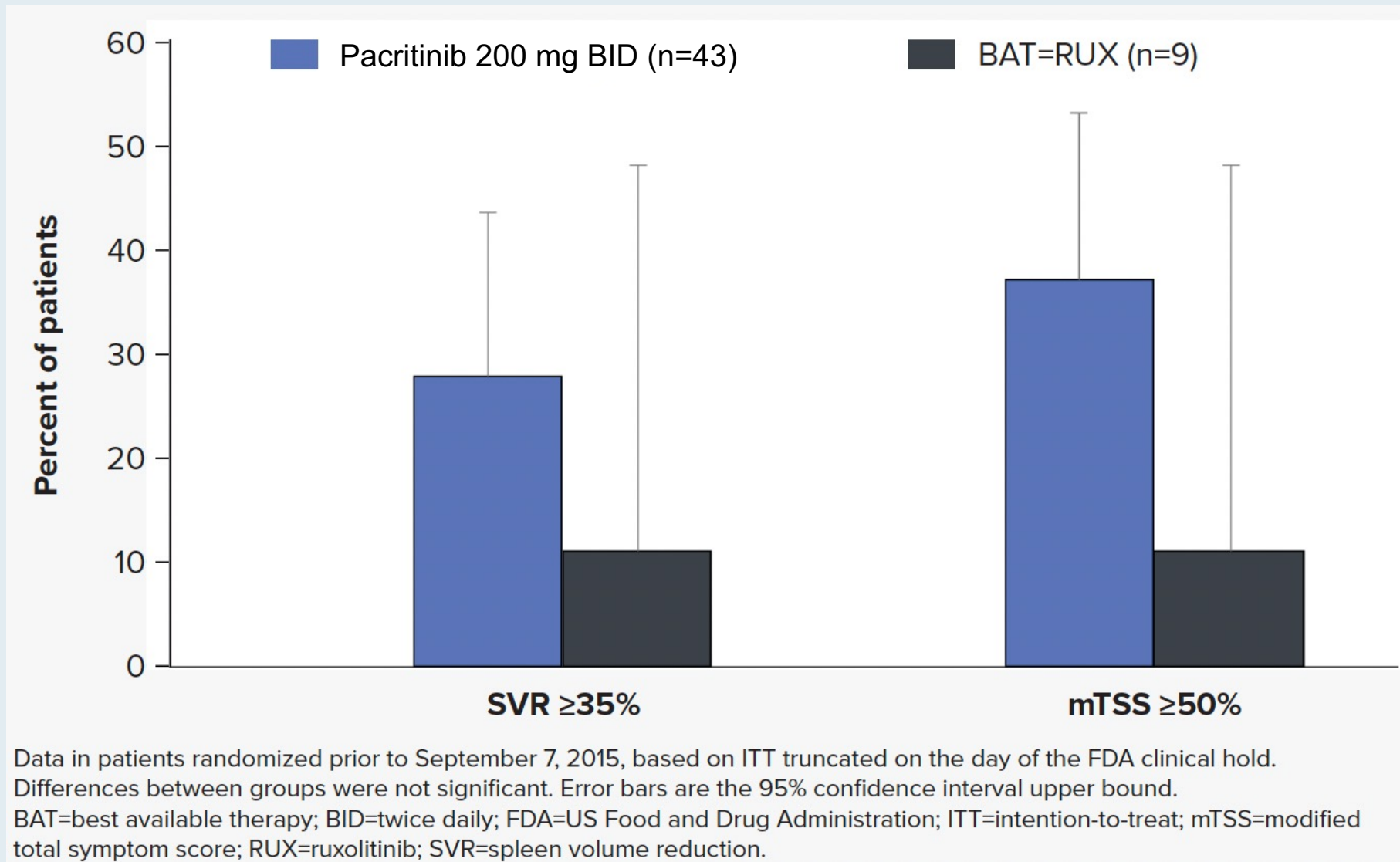


A Retrospective Head-to-Head Comparison Between Pacritinib and Ruxolitinib in Patients with Myelofibrosis and Moderate-to-Severe Thrombocytopenia

Mascarenhas J et al.

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Proportion of Patients Meeting SVR and Modified TSS Thresholds in a Retrospective Analysis of PERSIST-2



Safety Analysis of Pacritinib in Patients with Myelofibrosis and Severe Thrombocytopenia

Mascarenhas J et al.

ASH 2021;Abstract 3640.

Overview of Adverse Events in the Target Population in PERSIST-2 and PAC203

AE, n (%)	PERSIST-2		PAC203	Total (pooled)
	Pacritinib 200 mg BID (n=47)	BAT ^a (n=42)	pacritinib 200 mg BID (n=24)	pacritinib 200 mg BID (N=71)
TEAE (all grades)	46 (98)	38 (91)	24 (100)	70 (99)
Grade ≥3 TEAE	39 (83)	26 (62)	23 (96)	62 (87)
Treatment-emergent serious AE	28 (60)	16 (38)	16 (67)	44 (62)
Grade ≥3 treatment-emergent serious AE	25 (53)	15 (36)	14 (58)	39 (55)
TEAE leading to study drug discontinuation	10 (21)	7 (17)	4 (17)	14 (20)
TEAE with an outcome of death	6 (13)	8 (19)	3 (13)	9 (13)

^aThe most common BAT was ruxolitinib (40%) and watch and wait (31%).

AE=adverse event; BAT=best available therapy; BID=twice daily; TEAE=treatment-emergent adverse event.

Summary of Hemorrhage AEs, Cardiac AEs and MACE in the Target Population in PERSIST-2 and PAC203

AE, n (%)	PERSIST-2		PAC203 pacritinib 200 mg BID (n=24)	Total (pooled) pacritinib 200 mg BID (N=71)
	Pacritinib 200 mg BID (n=47)	BAT ^a (n=42)		
Treatment-emergent hemorrhage AEs (SMQ)^b				
Any-grade bleeding AEs	23 (49)	26 (62)	18 (75)	41 (58)
Serious bleeding AEs	6 (13)	4 (10)	2 (8)	8 (11)
Grade ≥3 bleeding AEs	8 (17)	5 (12)	3 (13)	11 (16)
Treatment-emergent cardiac AEs (SMQ)^b				
Any-grade cardiac AEs	16 (34)	19 (45)	13 (54)	29 (41)
Serious cardiac AEs	4 (9)	9 (21)	3 (13)	7 (10)
Grade ≥3 cardiac AEs	4 (9)	8 (19)	2 (8)	6 (9)
MACE category^c				
MACE	0 (0)	2 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)
MACE death (Grade 5)	0 (0)	1 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)

^aThe most common BAT agents were ruxolitinib and watch and wait. ^bBleeding and cardiac events defined by SMQ include the preferred terms in hemorrhage and cardiac arrhythmias, cardiac failure, ischemic heart disease, and embolic and thrombotic events, respectively.

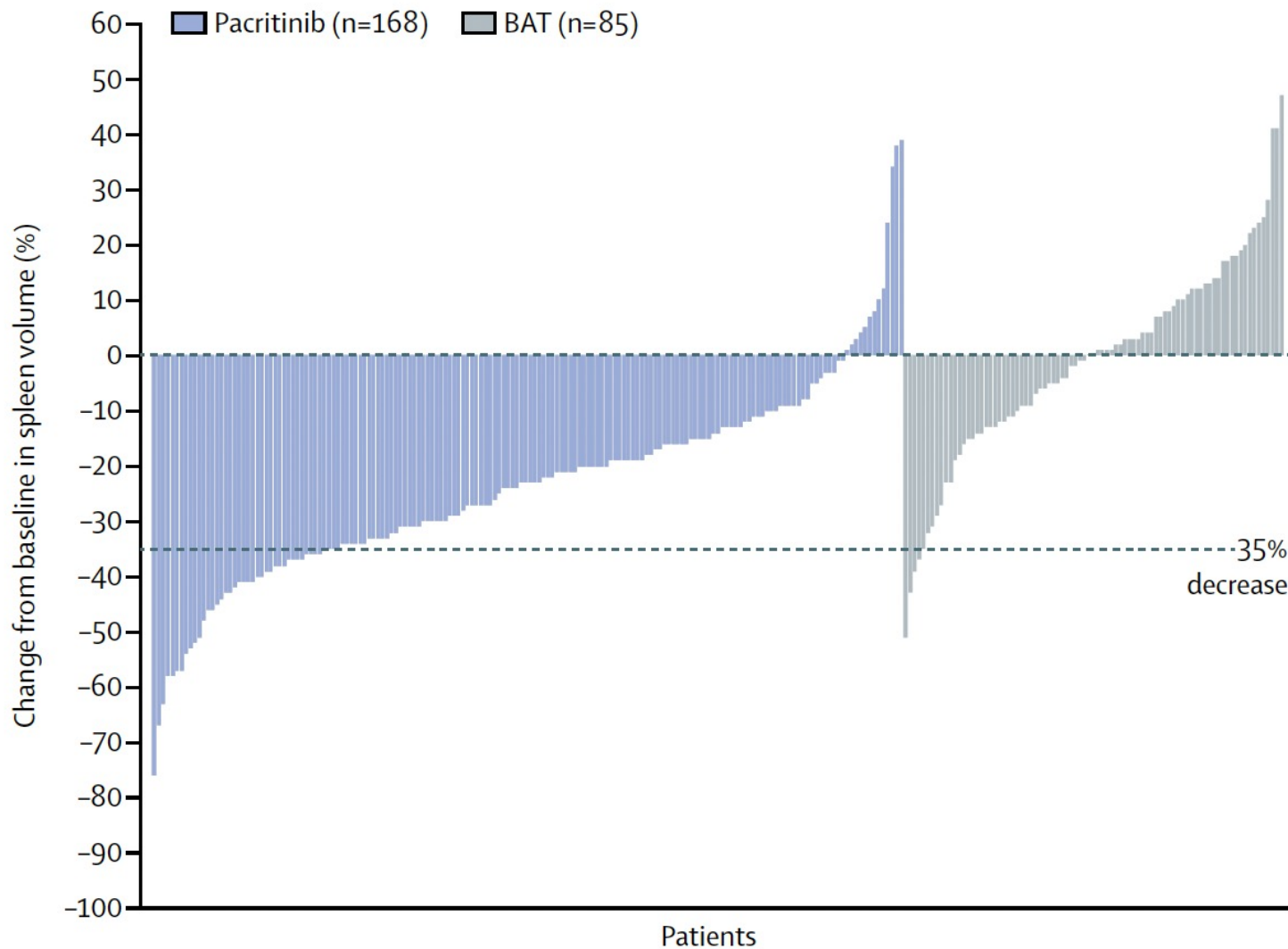
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Pacritinib versus best available therapy for the treatment of myelofibrosis irrespective of baseline cytopenias (PERSIST-1): an international, randomised, phase 3 trial



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PERSIST-1: Reduction in Spleen Volume at Week 24



≥35% reduction in spleen volume at week 24 in evaluable patients

	Pacritinib (N = 168)	BAT (n = 85)	p-value
Overall	25%	6%	0.0001
Plts <100,000/uL	24%	0	0.0072
Plts <50,000/uL	33%	0	0.037

PERSIST-1: Patients Achieving $\geq 50\%$ Reduction in Total Symptom Score 2.0 at weeks 24 and 48

	Week 24			Week 48		
	Pacritinib	BAT	p value	Pacritinib	BAT	p value
Overall	19/100 (19%)	5/48 (10%)	0.24	15/100 (15%)	0/48	0.0027
Platelets						
<100 000/ μL	7/28 (25%)	1/13 (8%)	0.40	3/28 (11%)	0/13	0.54
<50 000/ μL	3/11 (27%)	0/5	0.51	2/11 (18%)	0/5	1.0

Data are n/N (%).

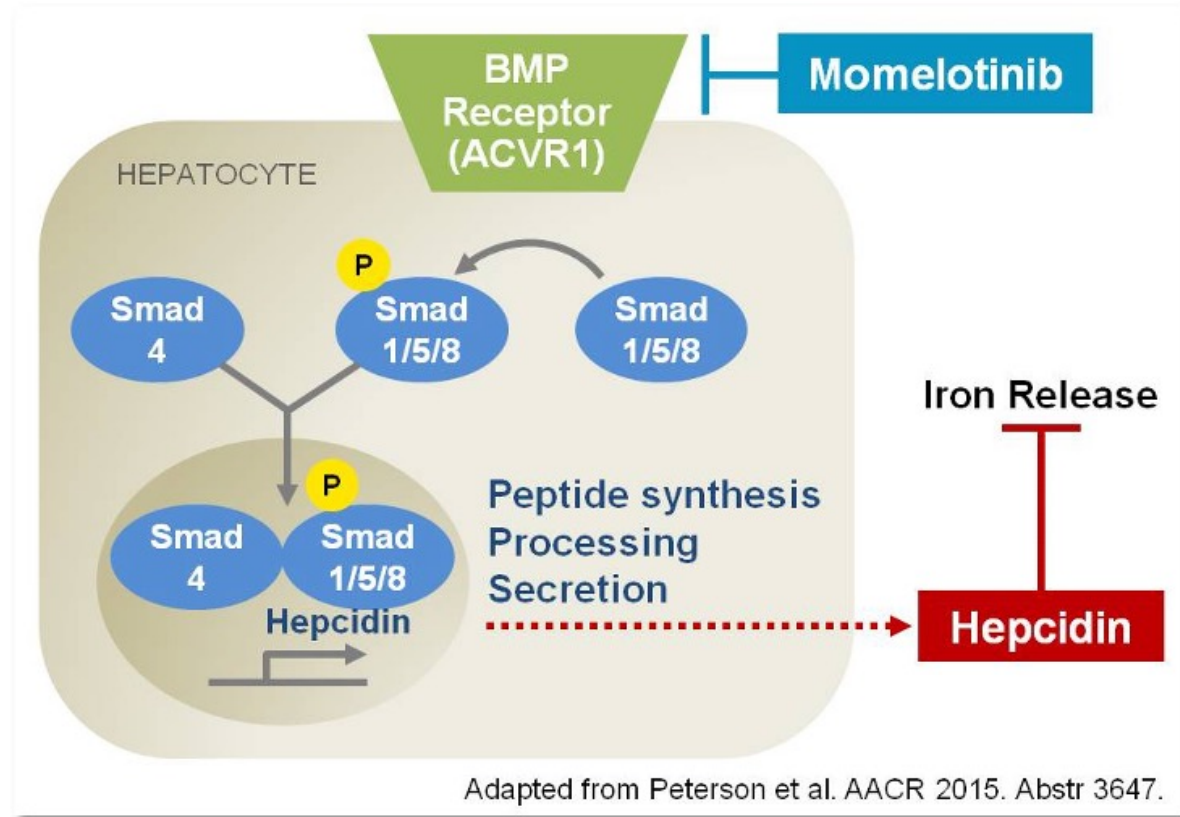
PERSIST-1: Select Adverse Events

	Pacritinib (N = 220)		BAT (N = 106)	
	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Any grade	Grade 3/4
Diarrhea	55%	5%	10%	0
Nausea	27%	1%	7%	0
Anemia	24%	17%	20%	15%
Thrombocytopenia	17%	11%	14%	11%
Vomiting	16%	1%	6%	0
Fatigue	10%	2%	9%	1%

**Potential Front-Line Option for Patients
with MF and Significant Anemia and/or
Transfusion Dependence: Momelotinib**

Momelotinib Mechanism of Action

- ◆ MMB also inhibits activin A receptor, Type 1 (ACVR1)
- ◆ ACVR1 activation leads to increased hepcidin gene expression¹
- ◆ Hepcidin decreases plasma iron and hepcidin is elevated in MF²
- ◆ MMB ameliorates anemia in a rodent ACD model¹



1. Asshoff M, et al. Blood 2017;129:1823-30; 2. Pardanani A, et al. Am J Hematology 2013;88:312-6.
ACVR1: Activin A Receptor, Type 1; BMP, bone morphogenic protein.

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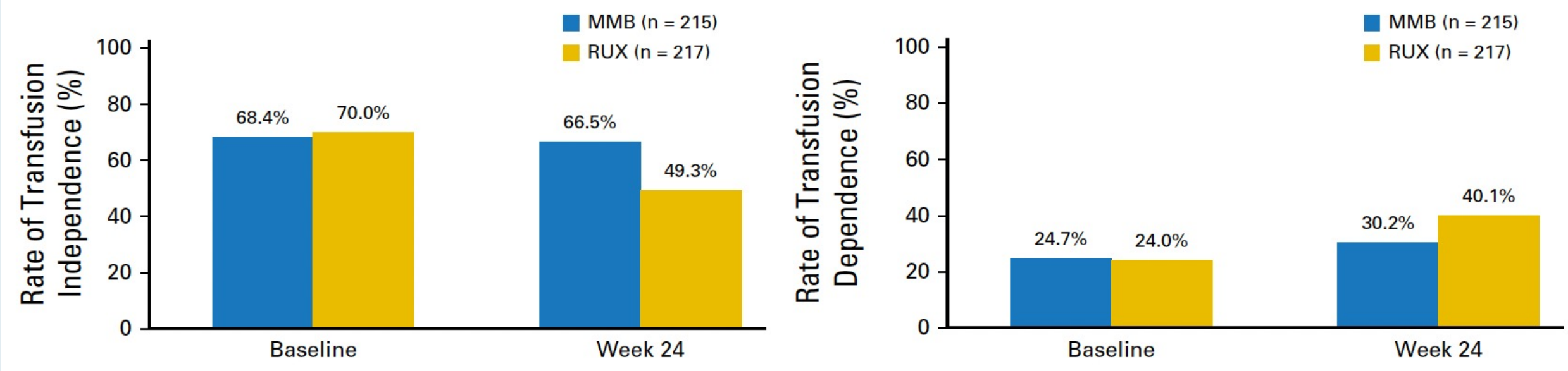
SIMPLIFY-1: A Phase III Randomized Trial of Momelotinib Versus Ruxolitinib in Janus Kinase Inhibitor–Naïve Patients With Myelofibrosis

Ruben A. Mesa, Jean-Jacques Kiladjian, John V. Catalano, Timothy Devos, Miklos Egyed, Andrzej Hellmann, Donal McLornan, Kazuya Shimoda, Elliott F. Winton, Wei Deng, Ronald L. Dubowy, Julia D. Maltzman, Francisco Cervantes, and Jason Gotlib

SIMPLIFY-1 Trial of Momelotinib (MMB) in Patients with Treatment-Naïve MF

Efficacy outcomes	SIMPLIFY-1, Wk 24 ¹		p-value
	MMB (n = 215)	RUX (n = 217)	
Spleen volume reduction \geq 35%	26.5%	29.0%	0.011
\geq 50% reduction in MF-SAF TSS	28.4%	42.2%	0.98
Transfusion independence at week 24	66.5%	49.3%	<0.001
Safety outcomes			
Discontinued due to AEs	13.1%	5.6%	NR
Grade 3/4 anemia	5.6%	23.1%	
Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia	7.0%	4.6%	
Grade 3/4 neutropenia	2.8%	4.6%	

SIMPLIFY-1: Momelotinib versus Ruxolitinib Effects on Transfusion Requirements at Week 24



Evolving Therapeutic Landscape for Individuals with MF Progressing on or Intolerant to Initial JAK Inhibitor Therapy

- JAKARTA-2: Fedratinib in patients with intermediate- or high-risk MF resistant or intolerant to ruxolitinib
- Ongoing FREEDOM and FREEDOM2 trials of fedratinib after ruxolitinib
- SIMPLIFY-2: Momelotinib

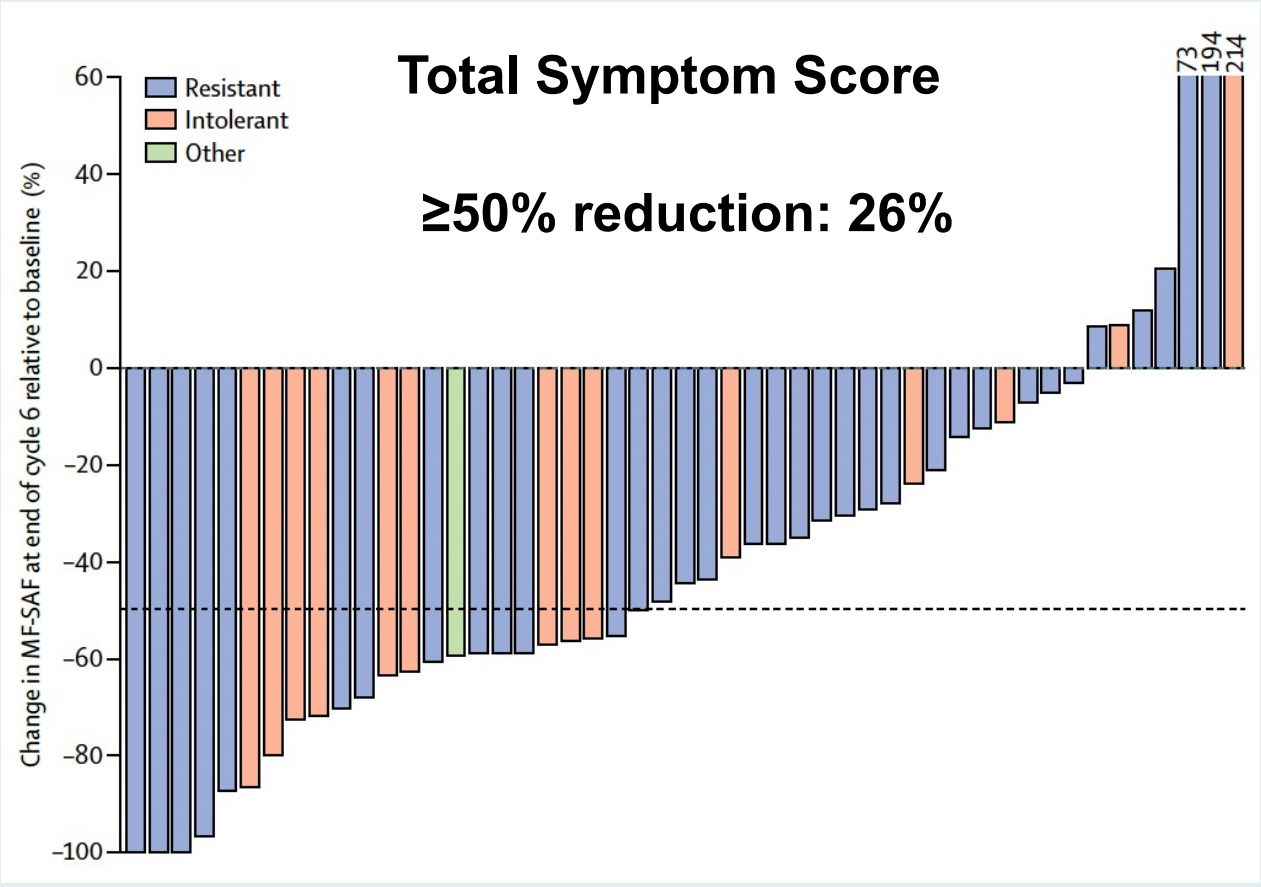
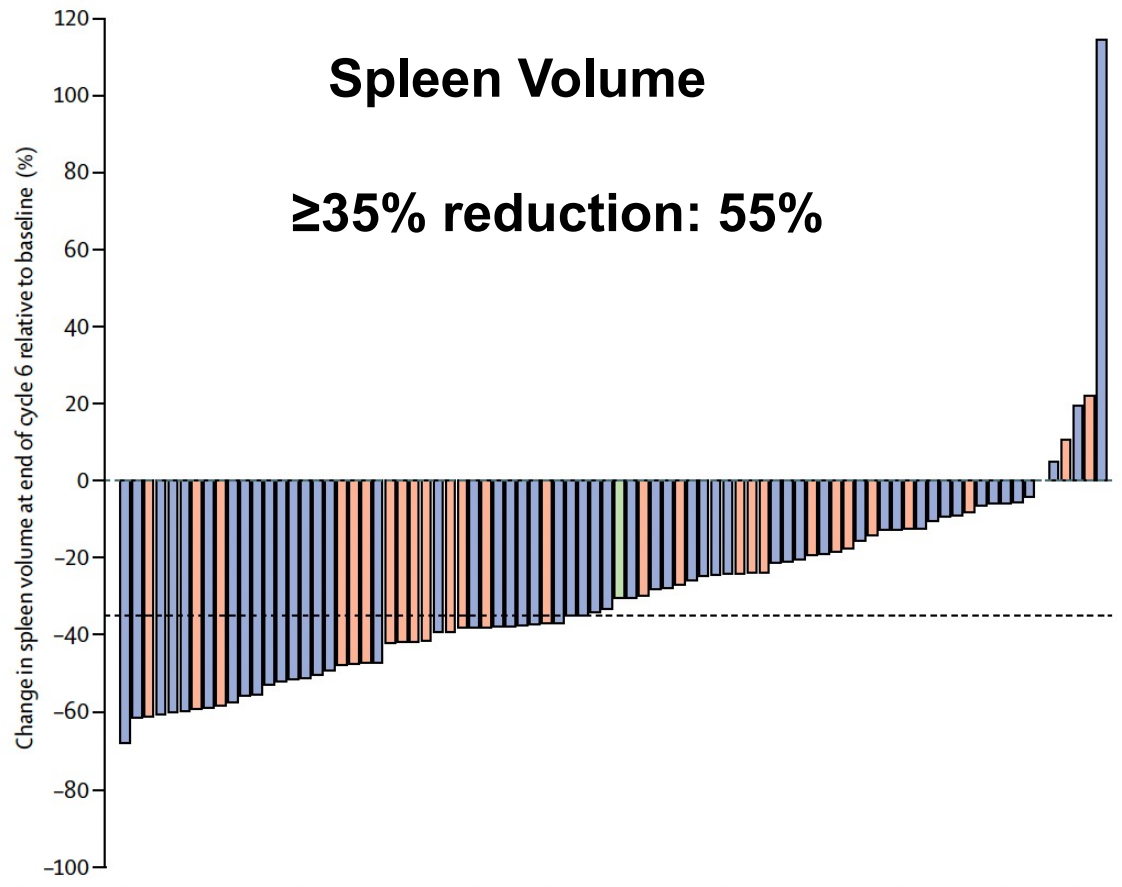
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Janus kinase-2 inhibitor fedratinib in patients with myelofibrosis previously treated with ruxolitinib (JAKARTA-2): a single-arm, open-label, non-randomised, phase 2, multicentre study



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JAKARTA-2: Change in Total Symptom Score and Spleen Volume from Baseline to End of Cycle 6



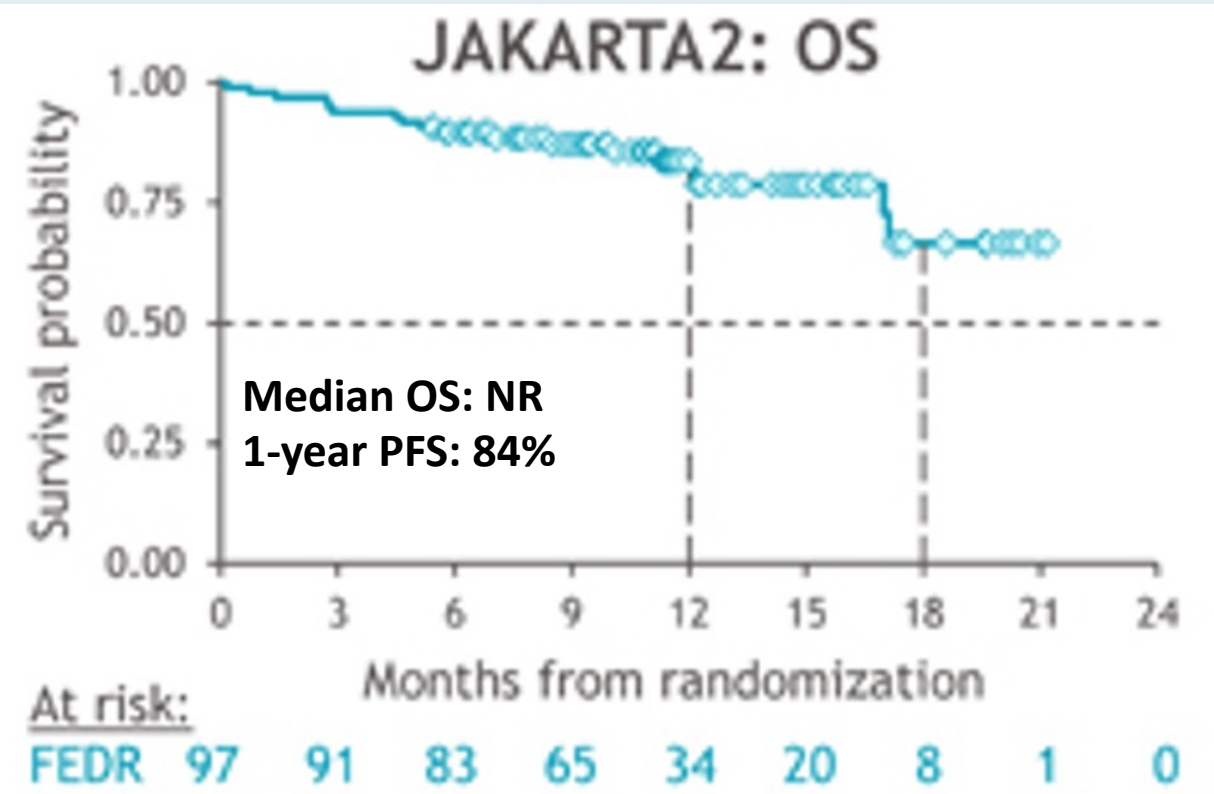
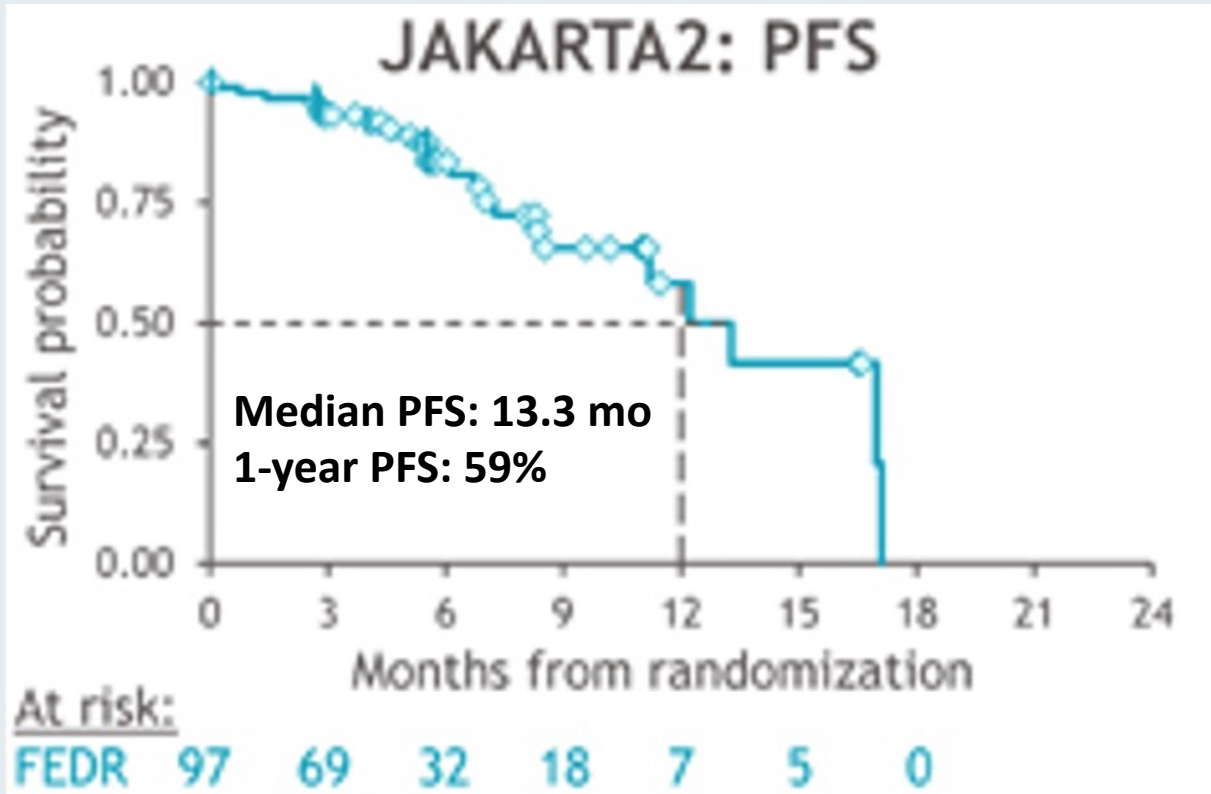
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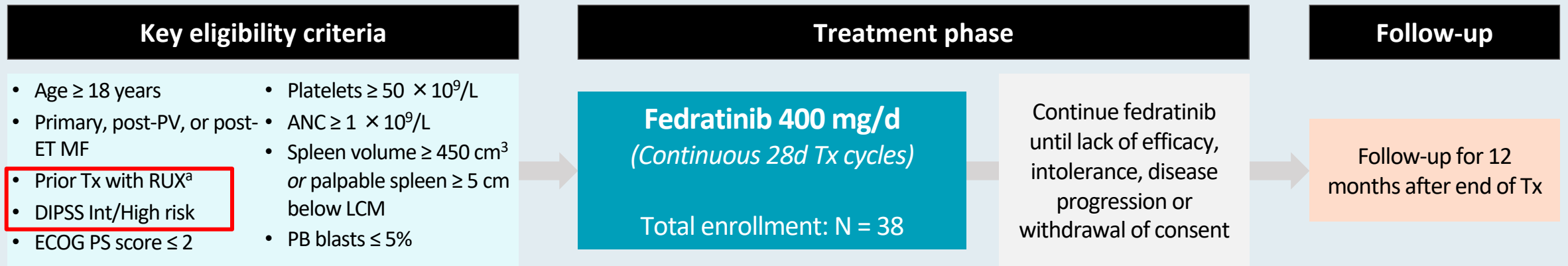
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JAKARTA2: Survival Analysis



FREEDOM: Trial Design and Key Eligibility Criteria

International, single-arm, open-label, phase 3b trial (NCT03755518)



Primary endpoint:

- SVRR at EOC6: Proportion of pts with $\geq 35\%$ spleen volume reduction from baseline (BL)

Key secondary endpoints:

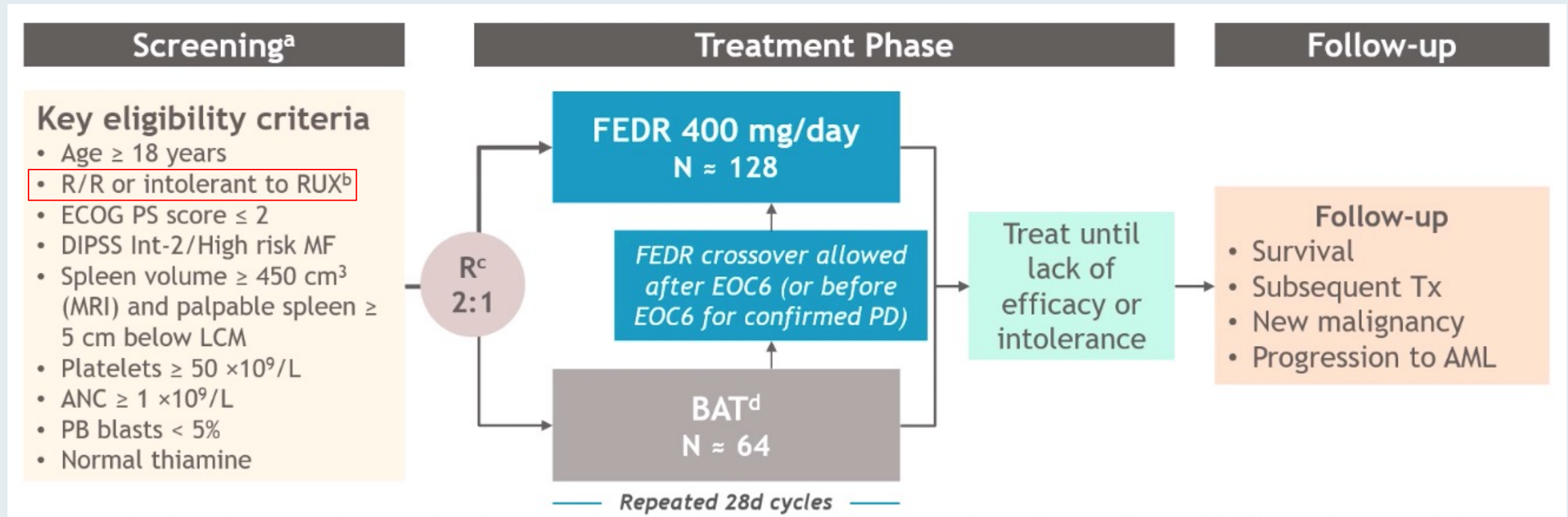
- Symptom RR at EOC6: Proportion of pts with $\geq 50\%$ improvement in MFSAF TSS from BL
- Safety; assess risk mitigation for GI AEs and potential WE
- Spleen response by palpation
- Durability of spleen and symptom responses

AE mitigation strategies:

- Prophylactic/symptomatic use of anti-emetic/vomiting and anti-diarrheal Tx
- Administration of fedratinib with food
- Fedratinib dosing modifications
- Thiamine supplementation

^aPts must have received RUX for ≥ 3 mo, or for ≥ 28 d with development of RBC transfusion requirement (≥ 2 units/mo for 2 mo) or Grade ≥ 3 thrombocytopenia, anemia, hematoma or hemorrhage.

FREEDOM2 Phase III Study Design



Momelotinib versus best available therapy in patients with myelofibrosis previously treated with ruxolitinib (SIMPLIFY 2): a randomised, open-label, phase 3 trial



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SIMPLIFY-2 Trial of Momelotinib (MMB) in Patients with MF Previously Treated with Ruxolitinib

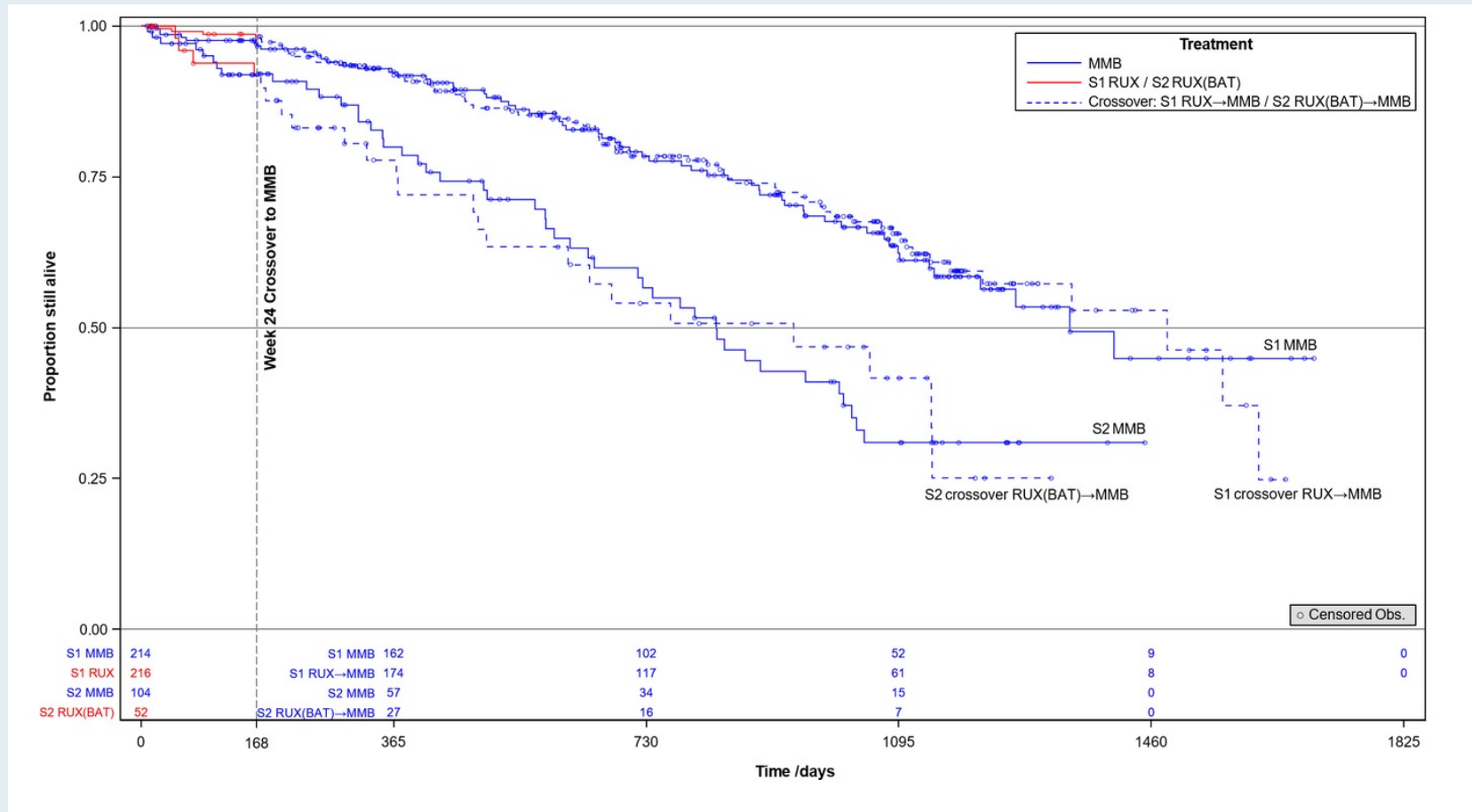
Efficacy outcomes	SIMPLIFY-2, Wk 24		p-value
	MMB (n = 104)	BAT (n = 52)	
Spleen volume reduction $\geq 35\%$	7%	6%	0.90
$\geq 50\%$ reduction in MF-SAF TSS	26%	6%	0.0006
Transfusion independence	43%	26%	0.0012
Safety outcomes			
Discontinued due to AEs	21%	16%	NR
Grade 3/4 anemia	14%	14%	
Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia	7%	6%	
Grade 3/4 neutropenia	NR	NR	

**Robust Overall Survival and Sustained Efficacy Outcomes
during Long Term Exposure to Momelotinib in JAK Inhibitor
Naïve and Previously JAK Inhibitor Treated
Intermediate/High Risk Myelofibrosis Patients**

Verstovsek S et al.

ASH 2020;Abstract 54.

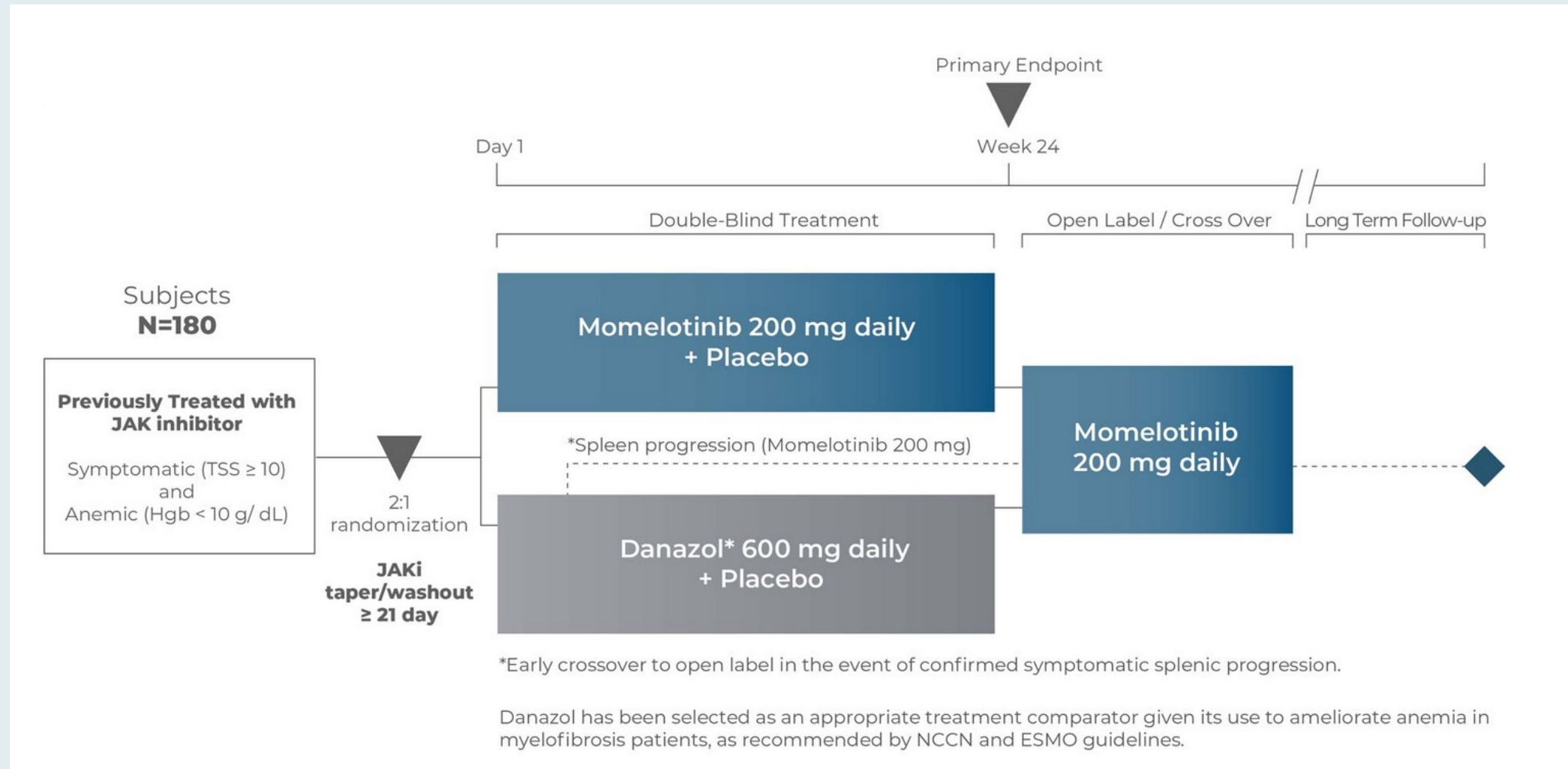
SIMPLIFY-1 (S1) and SIMPLIFY-2 (S2): Long-Term Outcomes with MMB



- S1 reduction in spleen volume of $\geq 35\%$ from baseline at week 24 (MMB vs RUX): 26.5% vs 29.5%
- S1 transfusion independence at week 24 (MMB vs RUX): 70% vs 54%
- S2 transfusion independence at week 24 (MMB vs BAT/RUX): 44% vs 27%

MOMENTUM: Phase III Trial Schema of Mometotinib in MF

Trial Identifier: NCT04173494 (Closed)



Novel Agents and Strategies Beyond JAK Inhibitors Under Investigation in MF

A Phase 2 Study of the LSD1 Inhibitor Img-7289 (Bomedemstat) for the Treatment of Advanced Myelofibrosis

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Phase I/II Trial of Bomedemstat for Advanced MF

Primary Endpoints

- Safety and tolerability
- Pharmacokinetics in first 15 patients
- Spleen volume reduction

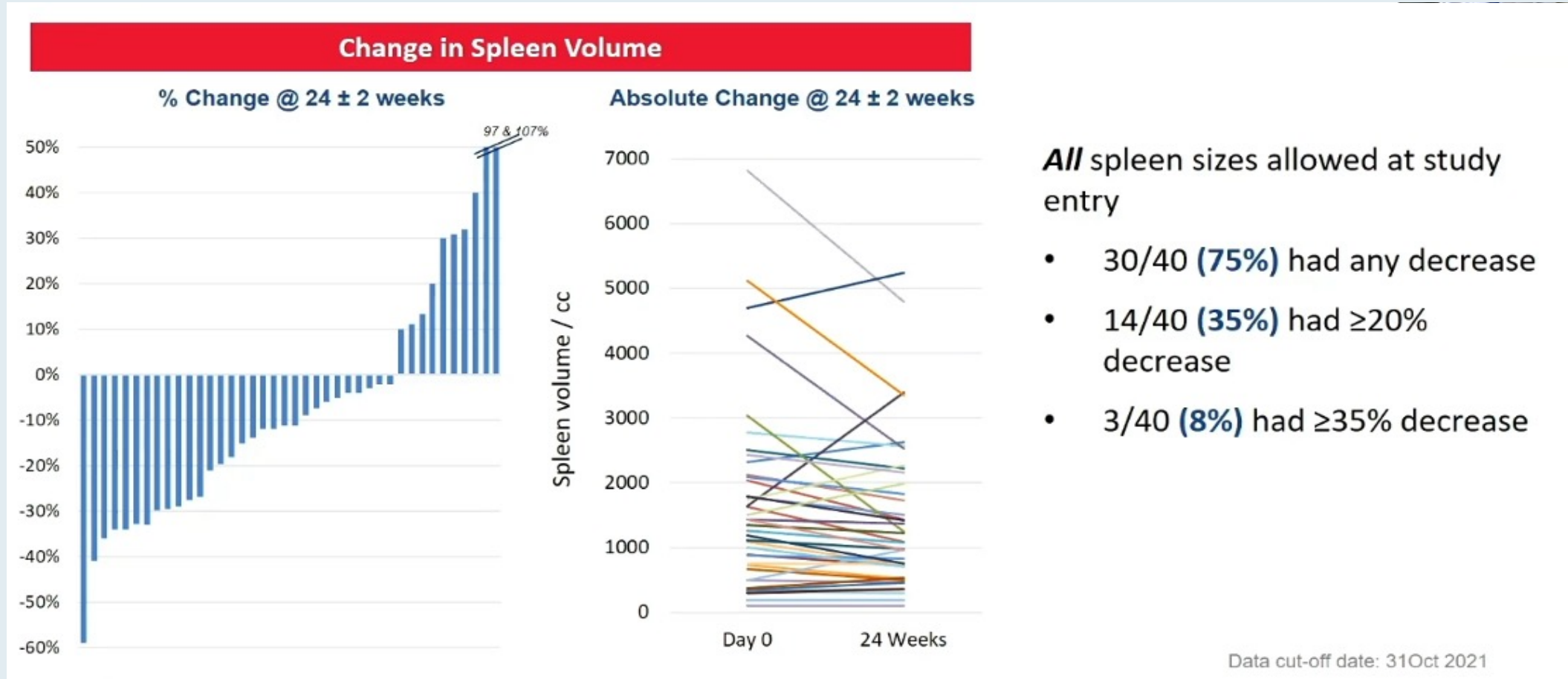
Secondary Endpoints

- Symptom reduction (MPN-SAF TSS)
- Changes in cytokine profiles
- Changes in mutant allele frequencies (MAF)
- Changes in bone marrow (BM) fibrosis

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Dx of PMF, PET-MF, or PPV-MF
- Refractory or resistant to, intolerant of, inadequate control by, or ineligible for, available approved therapies
- IPSS Intermediate-1, -2 or High-risk disease
- **Platelets $\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$**
- Peripheral blasts $\leq 10\%$
- Spleen of **any size**
- ECOG PS ≤ 2

Spleen Volume Reduction and Total Symptom Score at 24 Weeks with Bomedemstat



- 17/23 patients (74%) had a decrease in TSS and 6/23 patients (26%) had a decrease of $\geq 50\%$.

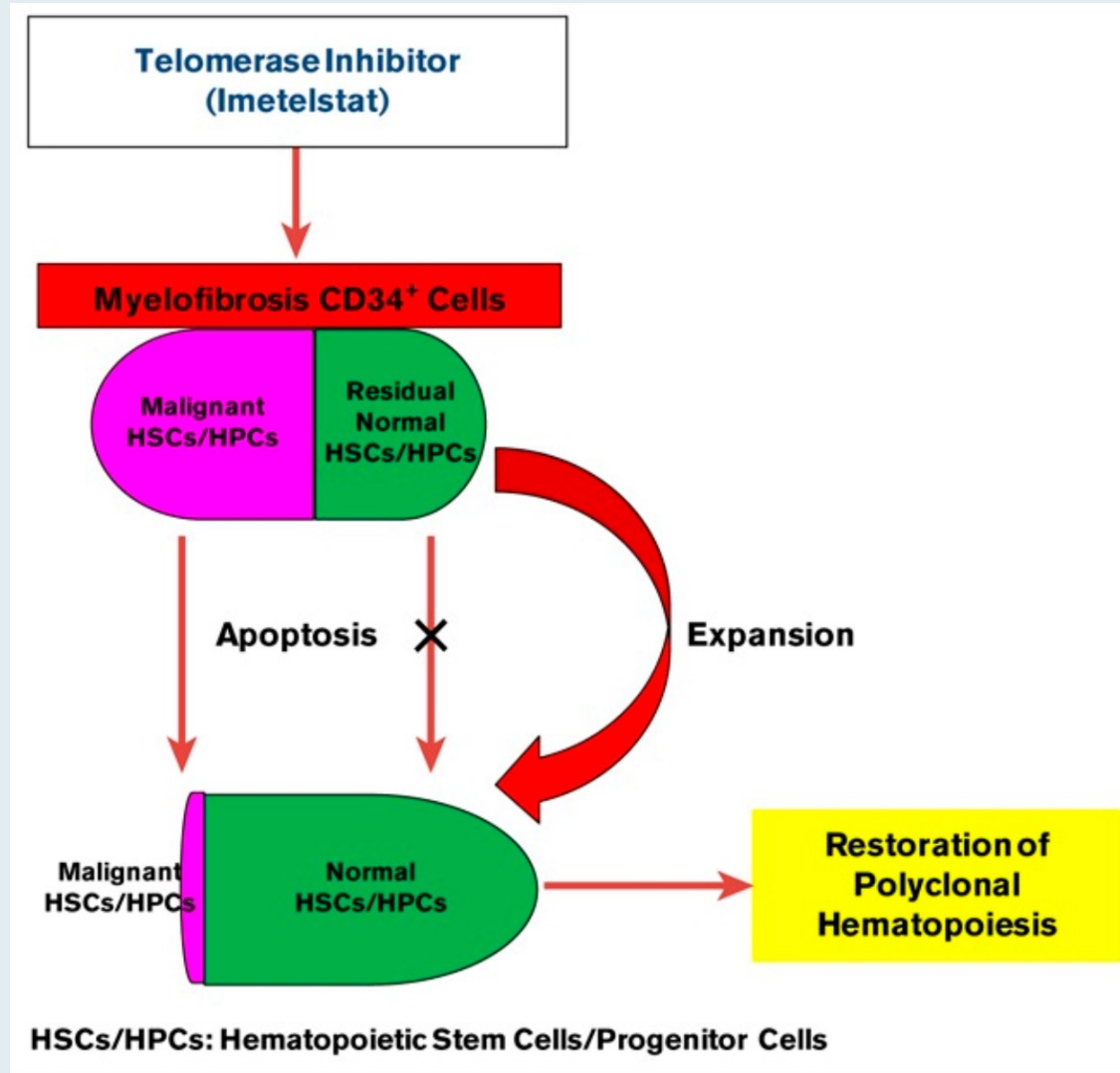
Safety and Tolerability of Bomedemstat

Preferred Term (N=90)	Any Grade AEs	Grade 3/4 AEs
Thrombocytopenia	42 (47%)	35 (39%)
Dysgeusia	29 (32%)	0
Anaemia	29 (32%)	20 (22%)
Diarrhoea	27 (30%)	0
Nausea	25 (28%)	2 (2%)
Fatigue	22 (24%)	4 (4%)
Constipation	21 (23%)	1 (1%)
Oedema peripheral	18 (20%)	1 (1%)
Arthralgia	16 (18%)	0
Abdominal pain	15 (17%)	1 (1%)
Decreased appetite	14 (16%)	2 (2%)
Pruritus	14 (16%)	2 (2%)

- Bomedemstat is generally well tolerated
- Most common hematologic AE, thrombocytopenia, is anticipated because dose titration rules target Grade 2 ($50-75 \times 10^9/L$)
- The most common non-hematologic AE **related** to bomedemstat was dysgeusia (n=27, 30% of patients) with 1 patient who discontinued

Any grade of AE occurring at a frequency of >15% included regardless of relatedness; total number of events = 1443

Telomerase Inhibitor Imetelstat: Mechanism of Action

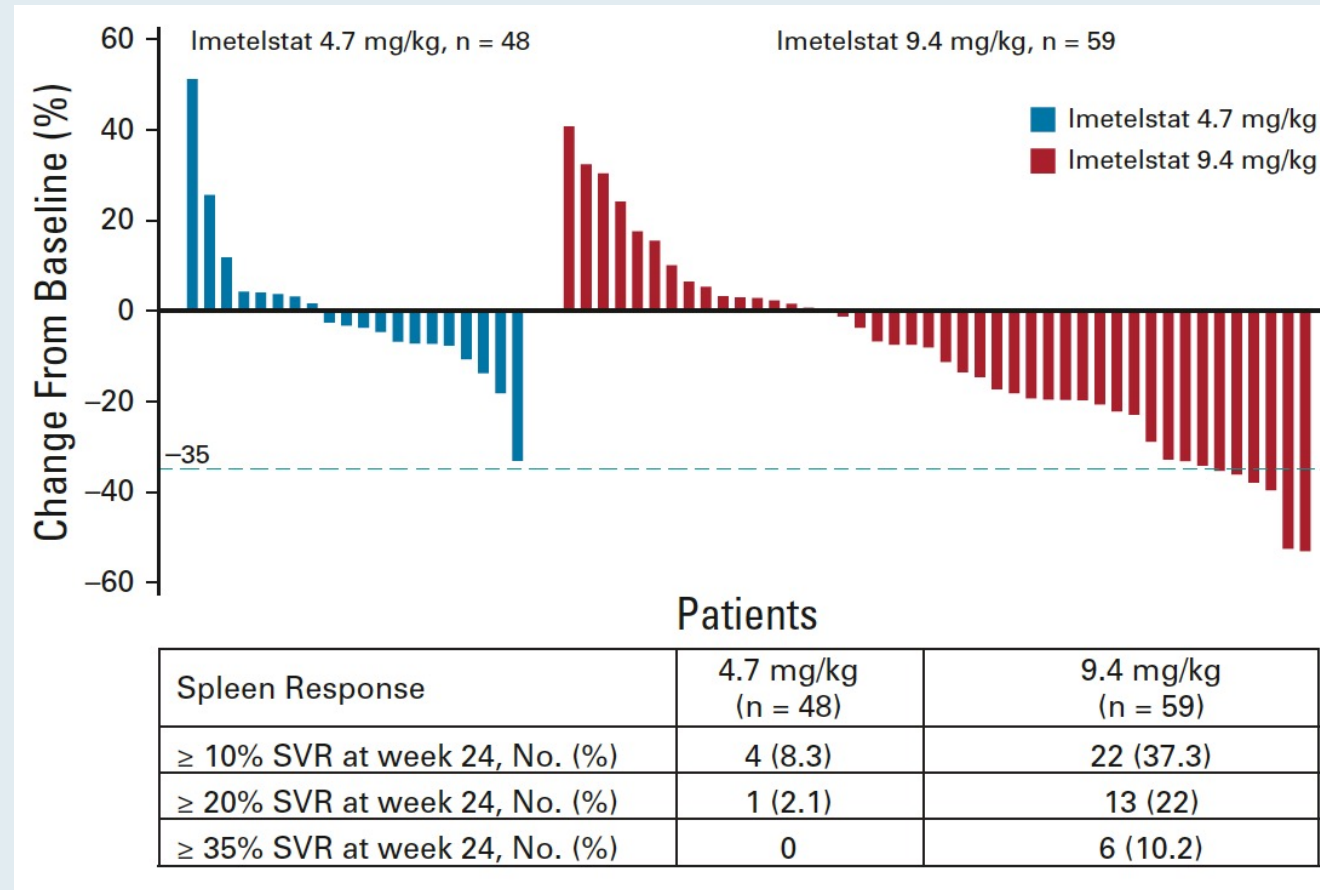


Randomized, Single-Blind, Multicenter Phase II Study of Two Doses of Imetelstat in Relapsed or Refractory Myelofibrosis

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Phase II Trial of Imetelstat in Relapsed/Refractory Myelofibrosis



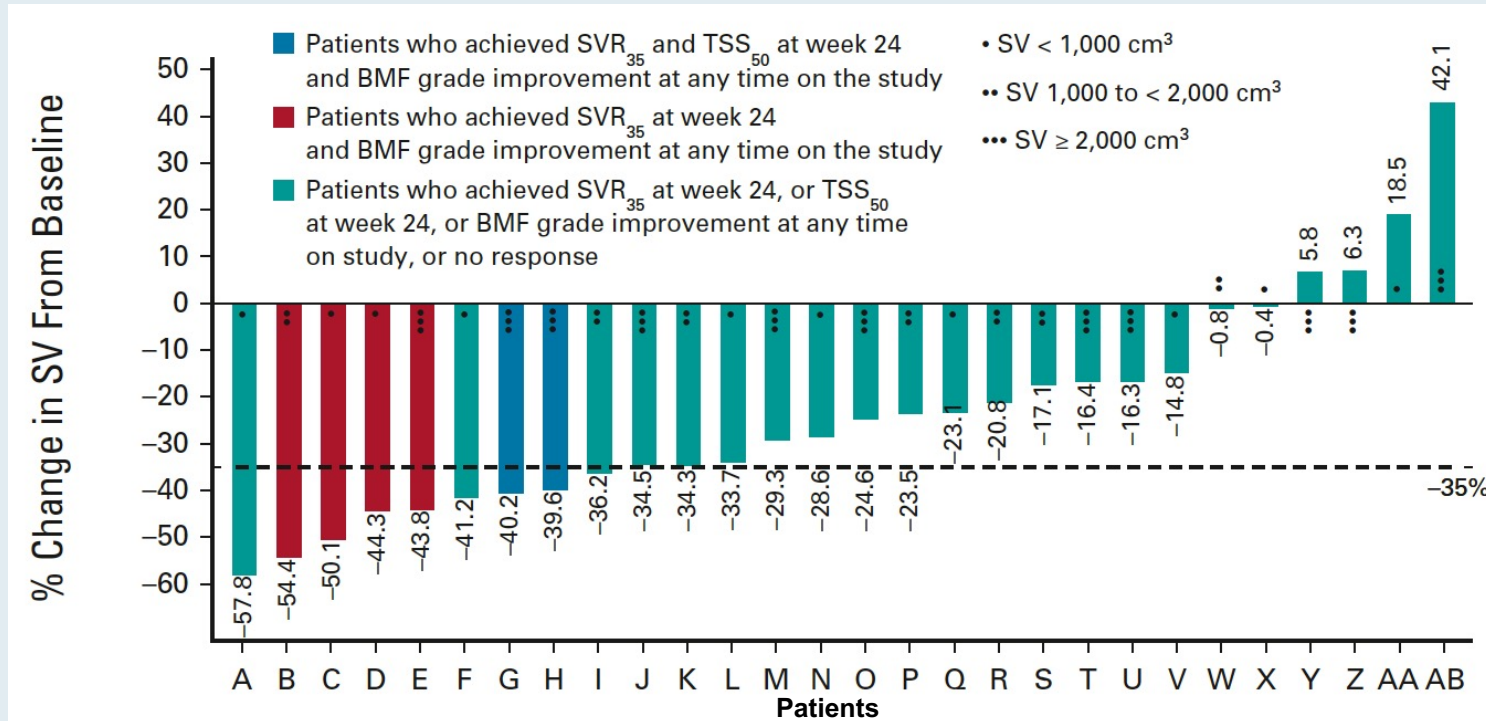
- At week 24, symptom response rates were 32.2% in the 9.4-mg/kg arm and 6.3% in the 4.7-mg/kg arm.
- Most common adverse events on both arms were grade 3 or 4 reversible cytopenias.

Addition of Navitoclax to Ongoing Ruxolitinib Therapy for Patients With Myelofibrosis With Progression or Suboptimal Response: Phase II Safety and Efficacy

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Phase II Trial of Adding the Bcl-XL/Bcl-2 Inhibitor Navitoclax to Ruxolitinib for Patients with MF and Disease Progression or a Suboptimal Response



- ≥50% reduction in total symptom score (TSS50) was achieved by 30% (6 of 20) of patients at week 24, and bone marrow fibrosis improved by 1-2 grades.
- Reversible thrombocytopenia without clinically significant bleeding was the most common adverse event (88%) but was manageable with dose reductions and interruptions.

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