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Understanding the  
New Complexity of MPNs

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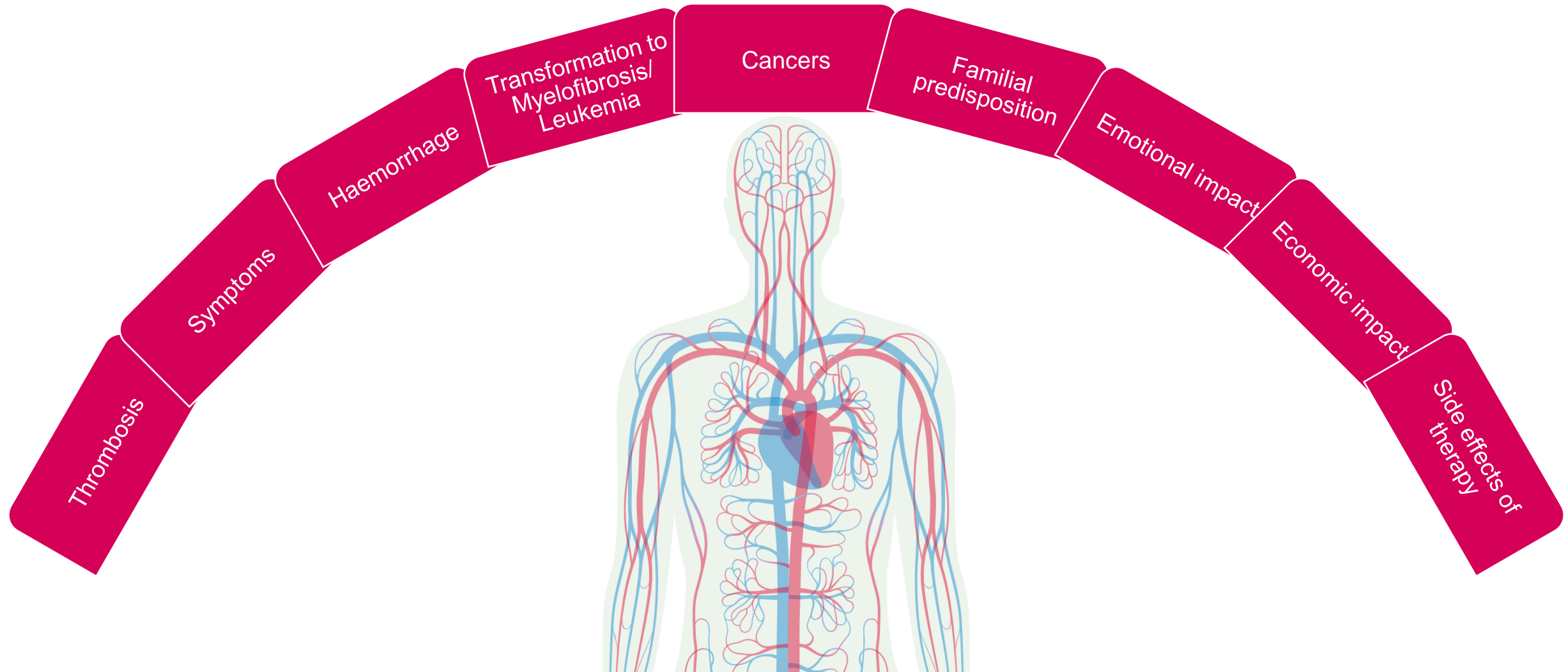
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# ET the future of treatment?

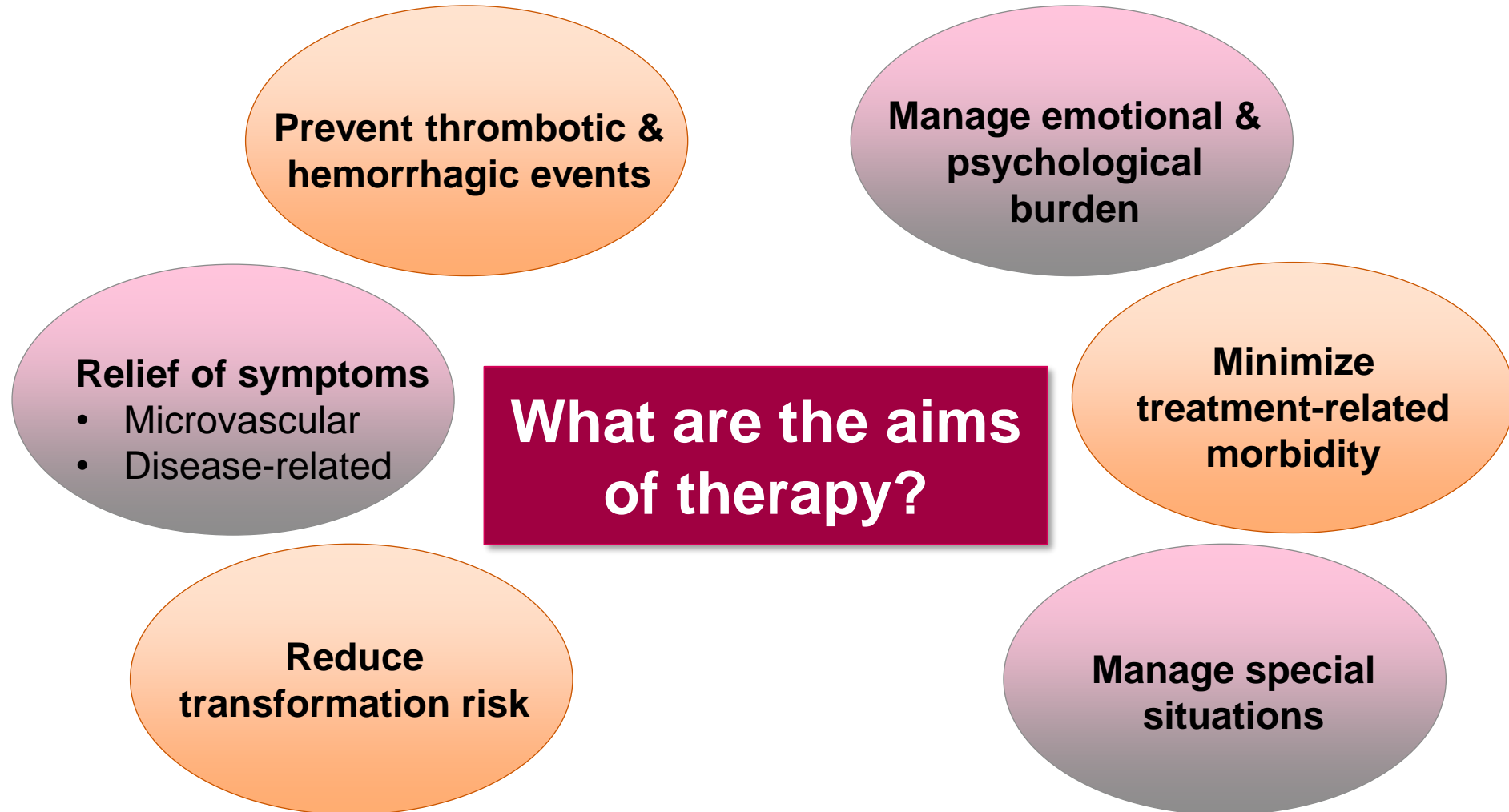
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# Impacts of Essential Thrombocythaemia diagnosis:



# Aims of therapy:



# Risk scores in ET

IPSET-thrombosis (revised)		MIPSS-ET		MPN personalised risk calculator
		Factor	Points <sup>¶</sup>	
<b>Very low</b>	No prior thrombosis + age ≤60 + JAK2-unmutated	Adverse mutation*	2	Available genomic data plus clinical factors (age, Hb, WBC, Plts, gender, prior thrombosis, splenomegaly)
<b>Low</b>	No prior thrombosis + age ≤60 years + JAK2-mutated	Age >60 yrs	3	
<b>Intermediate</b>	No thrombosis + age >60 + JAK2-unmutated	Male sex	1	
<b>High</b>	Thrombosis history (any age / genotype) or age >60 + JAK2-mutated	WBC ≥ 11 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	1	

<sup>¶</sup>Total score: 0-1=low risk; 2-5=intermediate risk; 6+=high risk. \**SRSF2/SF3B1/U2AF1/TP53*

# What is high-risk ET?

- IPSET
- Traditional age (> 60 +/- thrombosis)

Also to consider:

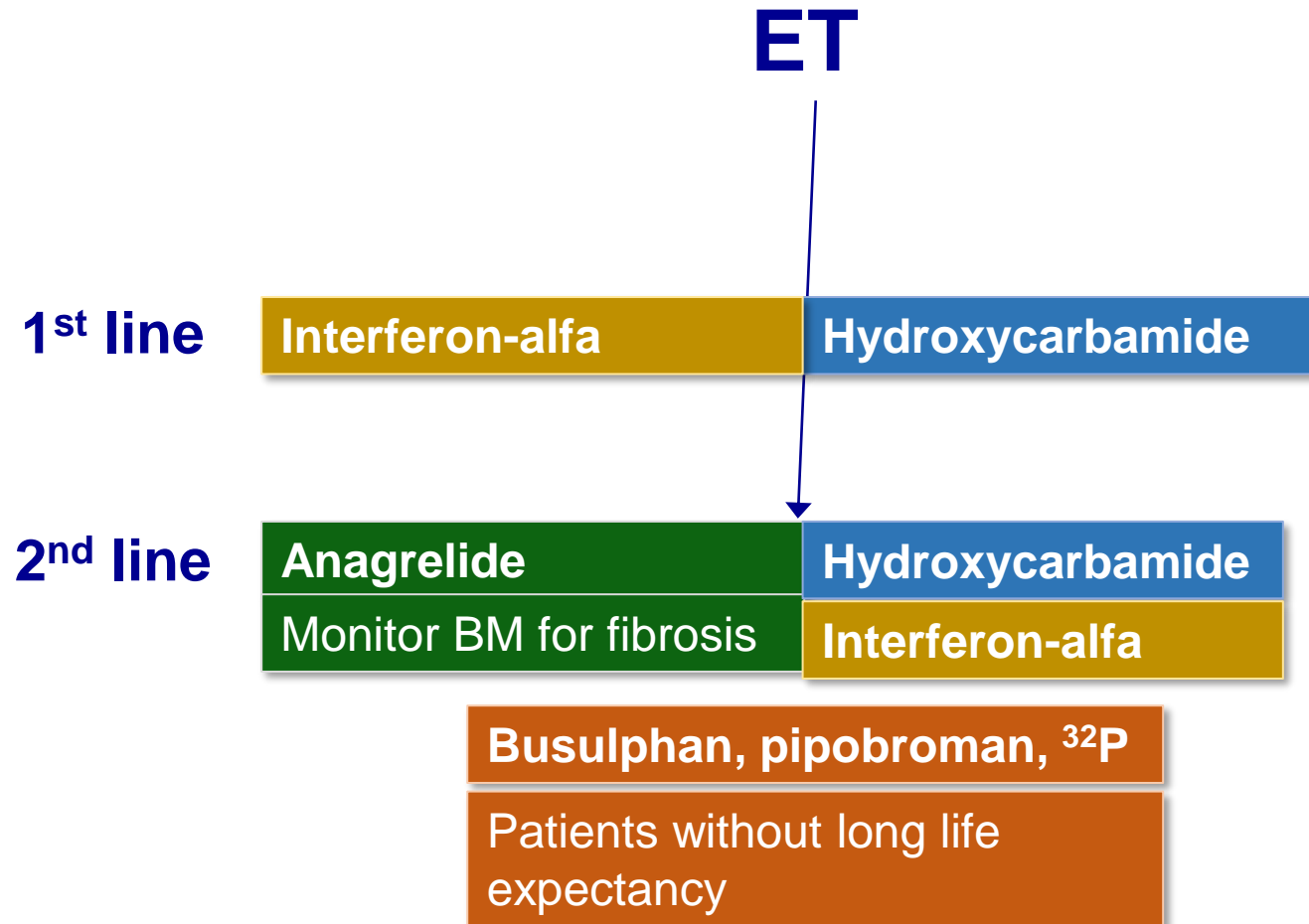
- ? High cardiovascular risk
- Symptoms

## **In addition:**

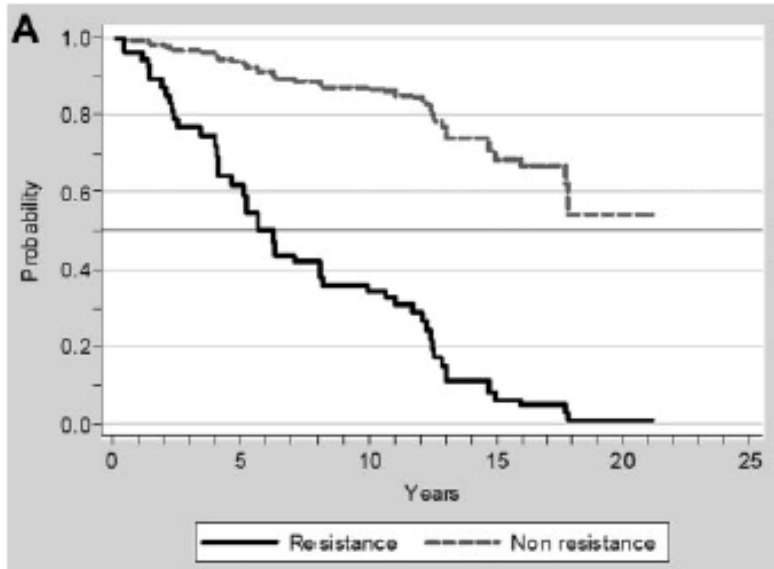
Currently unclear if we should really treat CALR-ET and triple negative ET in the same way as JAK2- or cMPL-ET

Despite IPSET score making most JAK negative ET intermediate risk despite count and age

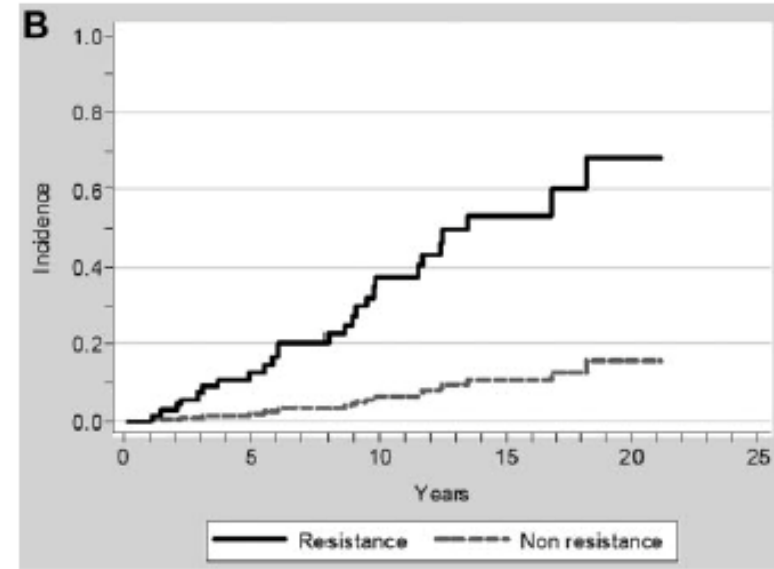
# Cytoreduction in high-risk ET



# Resistance to hydroxycarbamide: adverse prognosis



Increased risk of death  
HR 5.6 (2.7-11.9)



Increased transformation to AML / MF  
HR 6.8 (3.0-15.4)

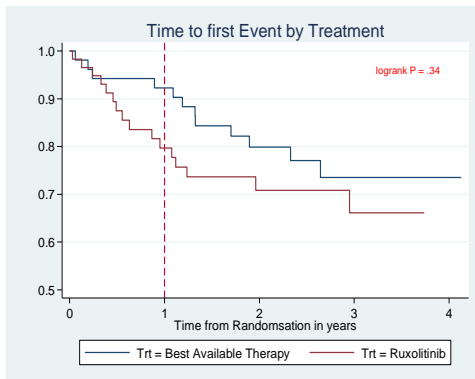
	Myelofibrosis		Acute leukaemia	
	HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i>	HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i>
Requirement for phlebotomies	1.2 (0.2–9.2)	0.8	–	–
Uncontrolled myeloproliferation	0.2 (0.02–2.2)	0.2	–	–
Progressive splenomegaly	9.1 (2.3–35.9)	0.002	–	–
Cytopenia	5.1 (1.9–13.7)	0.001	9.5 (2.6–34.5)	0.001
Extra-haematological toxicity	1.6 (0.7–3.6)	0.2	0.9 (0.2–4.3)	0.9

# Alternatives for second line therapy

## Ruxolitinib

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- 110 ET refractory / intolerant to HC
- Randomised rux vs BAT
- No difference in CHR at 1 yr
- No difference in survival
- No difference in transformation, thrombosis or haemorrhage



Harrison et al, Blood 2017

## Other second-line agents

- Anagrelide (alone or in combination)
- Busulphan
- Radioactive phosphorus
- Pipobroman



**Pelabresib**  
BET inhibitor

**MANIFEST study**



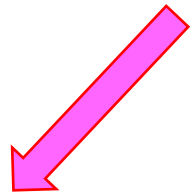
**Bomedemstat**  
LSD1 inhibitor

(Imago studies)



**Current  
novel therapeutic  
approaches in ET  
trials**

**Calreticulin  
Vaccination or immunotherapy**



**Pegylated Interferon  
'BESREMI'  
(Ropeginterferon 2b)  
SURPASS ET study**



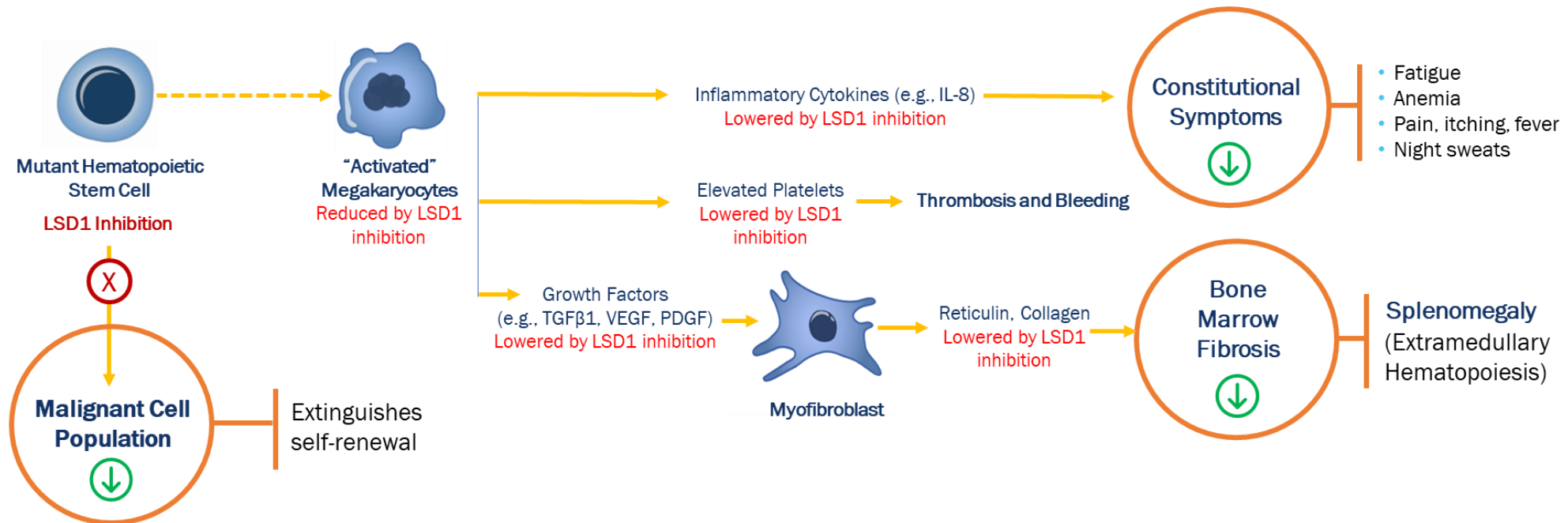
# Phase 2 Study of the LSD1 Inhibitor Bomedemstat (IMG-7289) for the Treatment of Essential Thrombocythemia (ET)

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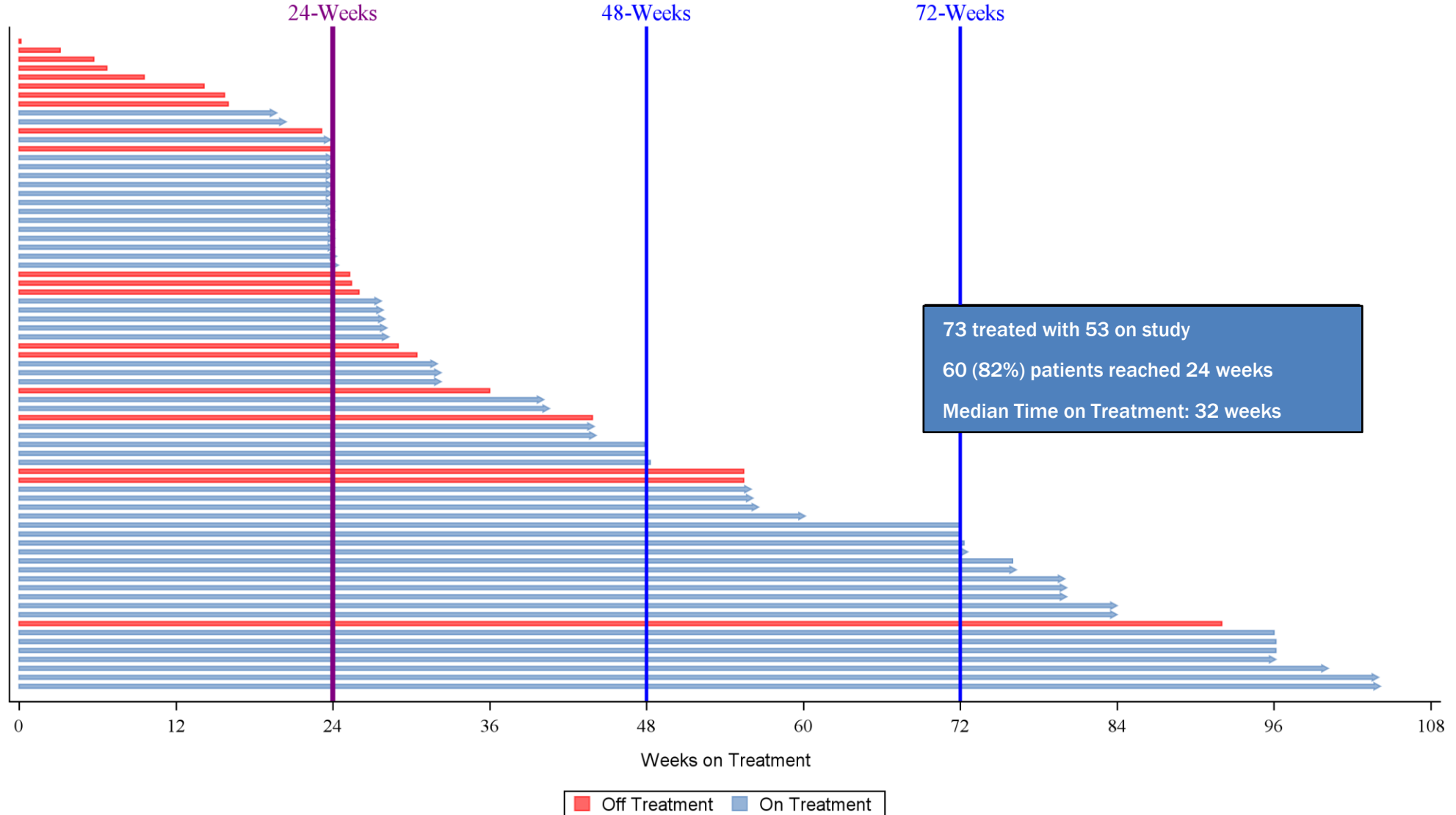
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# Rationale for Targeting LSD1 in MPNs

- Lysine Specific Demethylase 1 (LSD1) = Epigenetic enzyme
  - Demethylates histone H3K4 and other chromatin-associated proteins, *e.g.*, p53
- LSD1 is required for the differentiation of megakaryocyte-erythroid progenitors to mature megakaryocytes
- LSD1 is overexpressed in MPNs



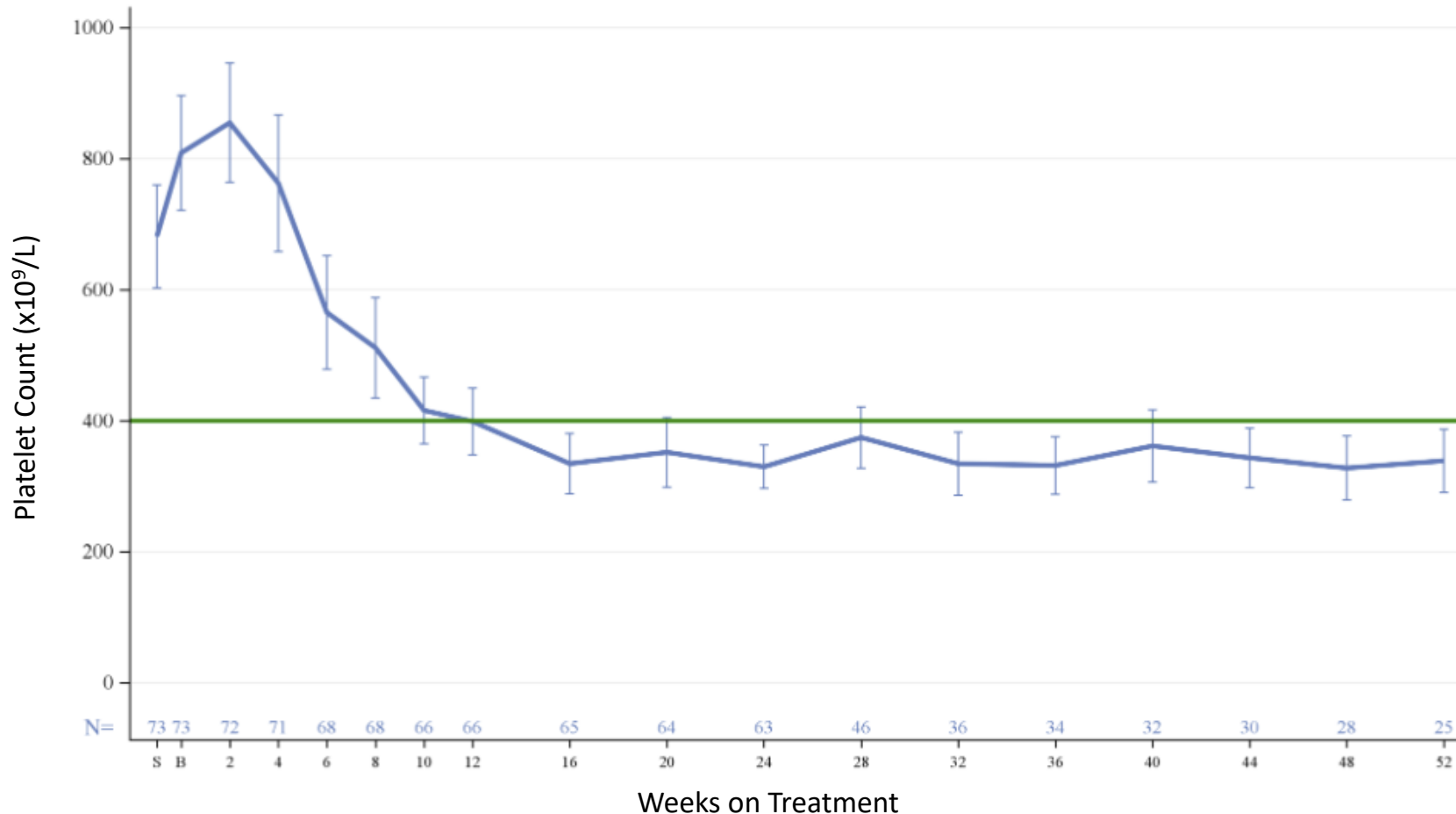
# Enrollment and Treatment Status



Abbreviations: EOT used for last dose date if available, otherwise last dose date in exposure dataset.

# Primary Objective: Reduction in Platelet Count

• Mean Platelet Count ( $\pm 95\%$  CI) N=73



S=Screening, B = Last non-missing value closest to Day 1

Of 62 patients treated for  $\geq 24$  weeks:

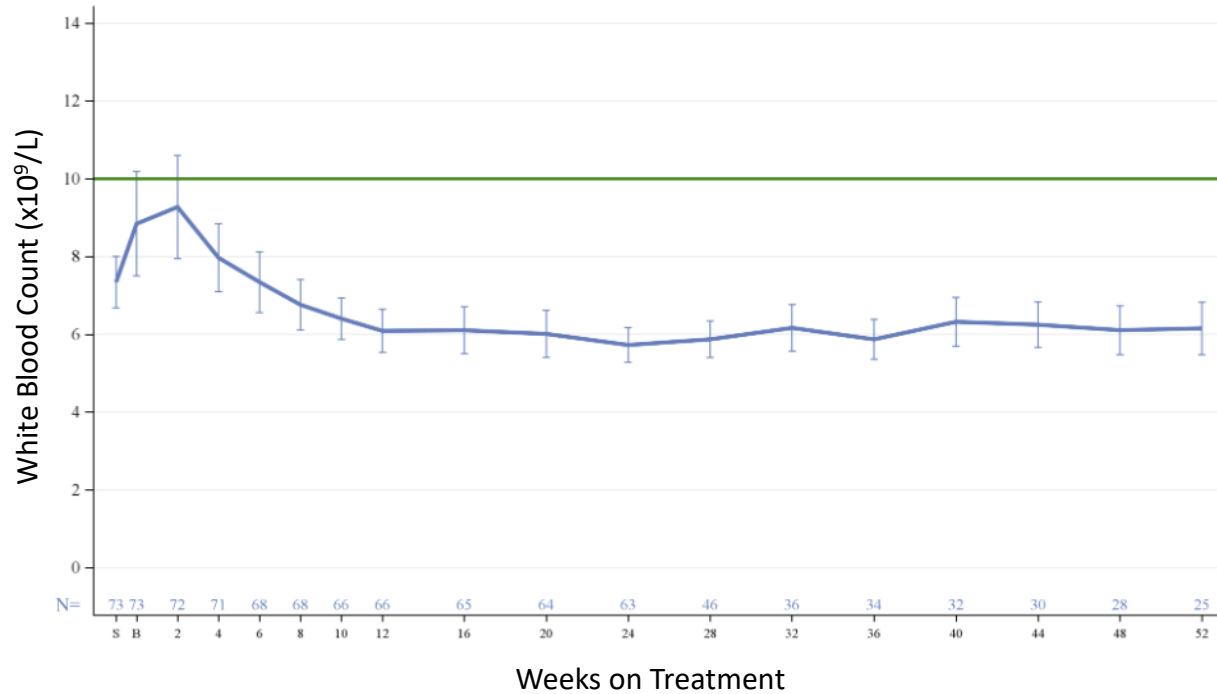
- **100%** achieved a platelet count of  $\leq 400 \times 10^9/L$
- **95%** achieved a platelet count of  $\leq 400 \times 10^9/L$  in the absence of thromboembolic events
- Median time to  $\leq 400 \times 10^9/L$  is 10 weeks

Of 28 patients treated for **48 weeks**:

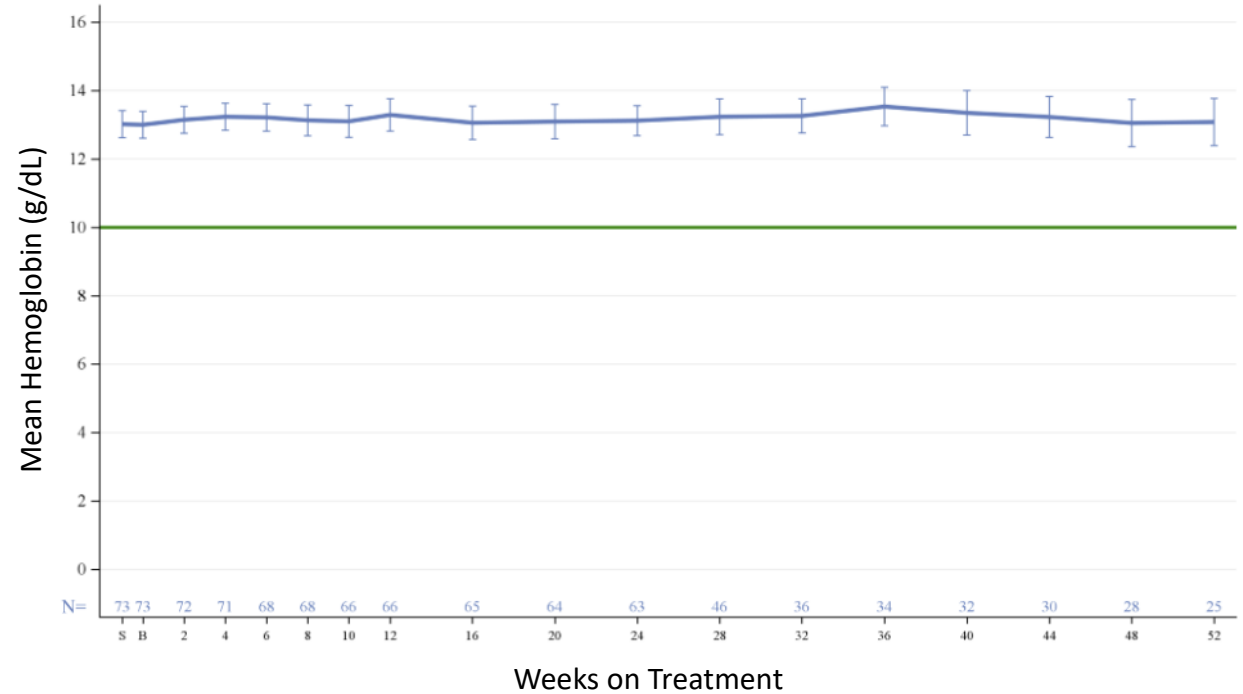
- **89%** achieved a durable ( $\geq 12$  weeks) platelet count of  $\leq 400 \times 10^9/L$  by week 48

# Lowers WBCs and Maintains Hemoglobin (Hb) levels

• Mean WBC ( $\pm 95\%$  CI) N=73



Mean Hb ( $\pm 95\%$  CI) N=73



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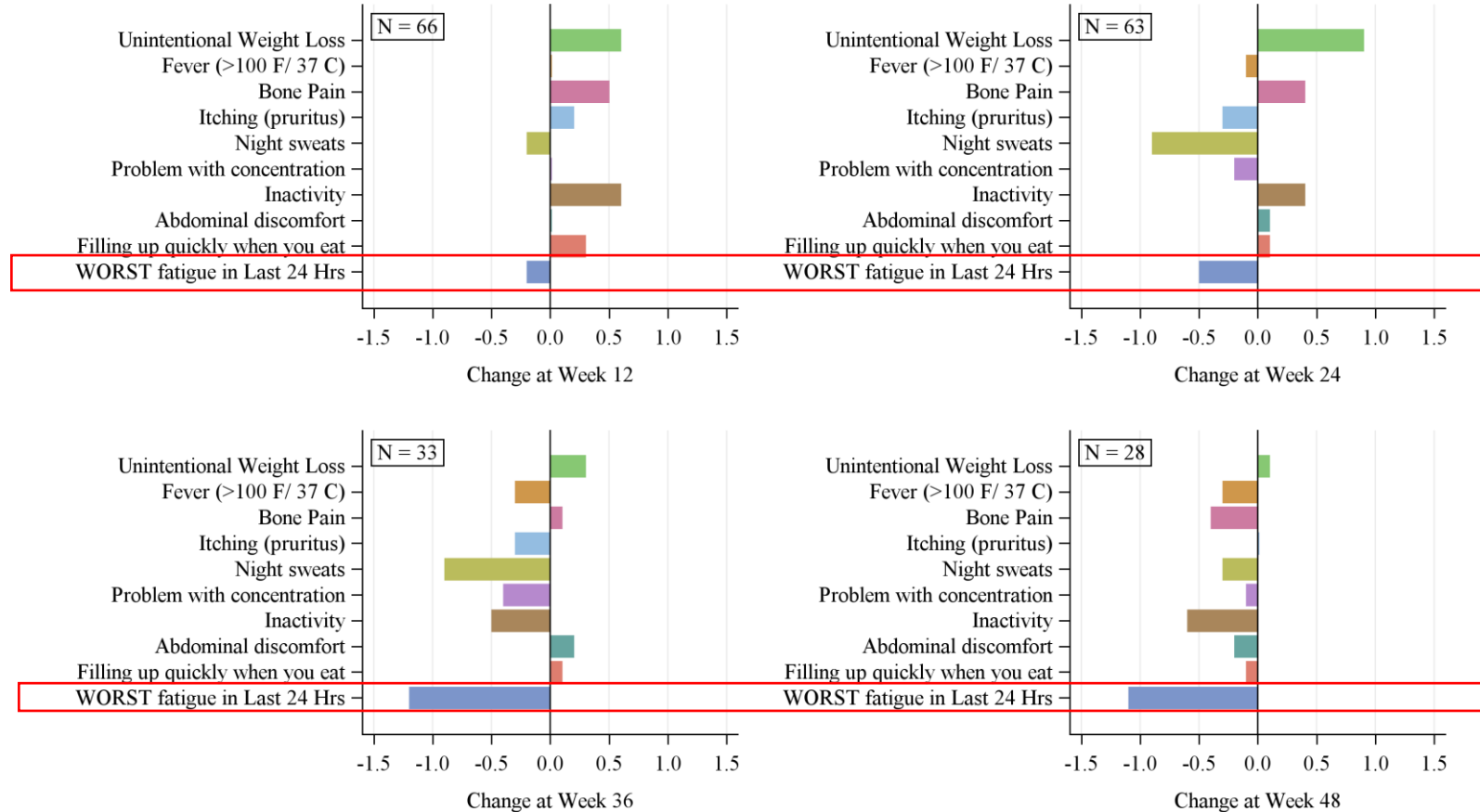
# Platelet Responses by Driver Mutation (or absence thereof)

Mutation	No. of Patients*	Mean Baseline Platelet Count (x10 <sup>9</sup> /L)	Platelet Count Response <sup>#</sup> (%)
<b>All Pts</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>100%</b>
<i>JAK2</i> <sup>V617F</sup>	34	730	100%
<i>CALR</i>	27	955	100%
<i>MPL</i>	3	881	100%
Triple Negative	6	493	100%

\*3 patients did not have mutation status available.  
#Any post baseline platelet count ≤400 x10<sup>9</sup>/L; ≥24 weeks treatment; N=62

Patients with *CALR* mutations respond similarly to patients with *JAK2* mutations

# Changes in Individual Components of the MPN-SAF TSS



For patients with a baseline TSS>20 (N=12),  
**75%** had any decrease in TSS  
**67%** had a reduction of  $\geq 10$  points

- Fatigue is the most severe symptom in CTP-201 and the most improved along with associated symptoms of inactivity and impaired concentration



# Safety and Tolerability Profile

Preferred Term (N=73)	Any Grade AEs	Grade 3/4 AEs
Dysgeusia	40 (55%)	N/A
Constipation	25 (34%)	1 (1%)
Thrombocytopenia	20 (27%)	6 (8%)
Arthralgia	20 (27%)	4 (6%)
Fatigue	17 (23%)	0
Contusion	15 (21%)	1 (1%)
Diarrhoea	15 (21%)	1 (1%)
Pruritus	13 (18%)	0
Anaemia	12 (16%)	5 (7%)
COVID-19	12 (16%)	0
Headache	11 (15%)	1 (1%)
Peripheral oedema	11 (15%)	1 (1%)

Any grade of AE occurring at a frequency of  $\geq 15\%$  of patients included regardless of relatedness; N/A = Gr 3/4 events do not exist per CTCAE criteria

Discontinued from Study (N=20)	
AE	10
Withdrawal of consent/Subject decision	7
Investigator decision	1
Disease progression to MF	1
Death*	1

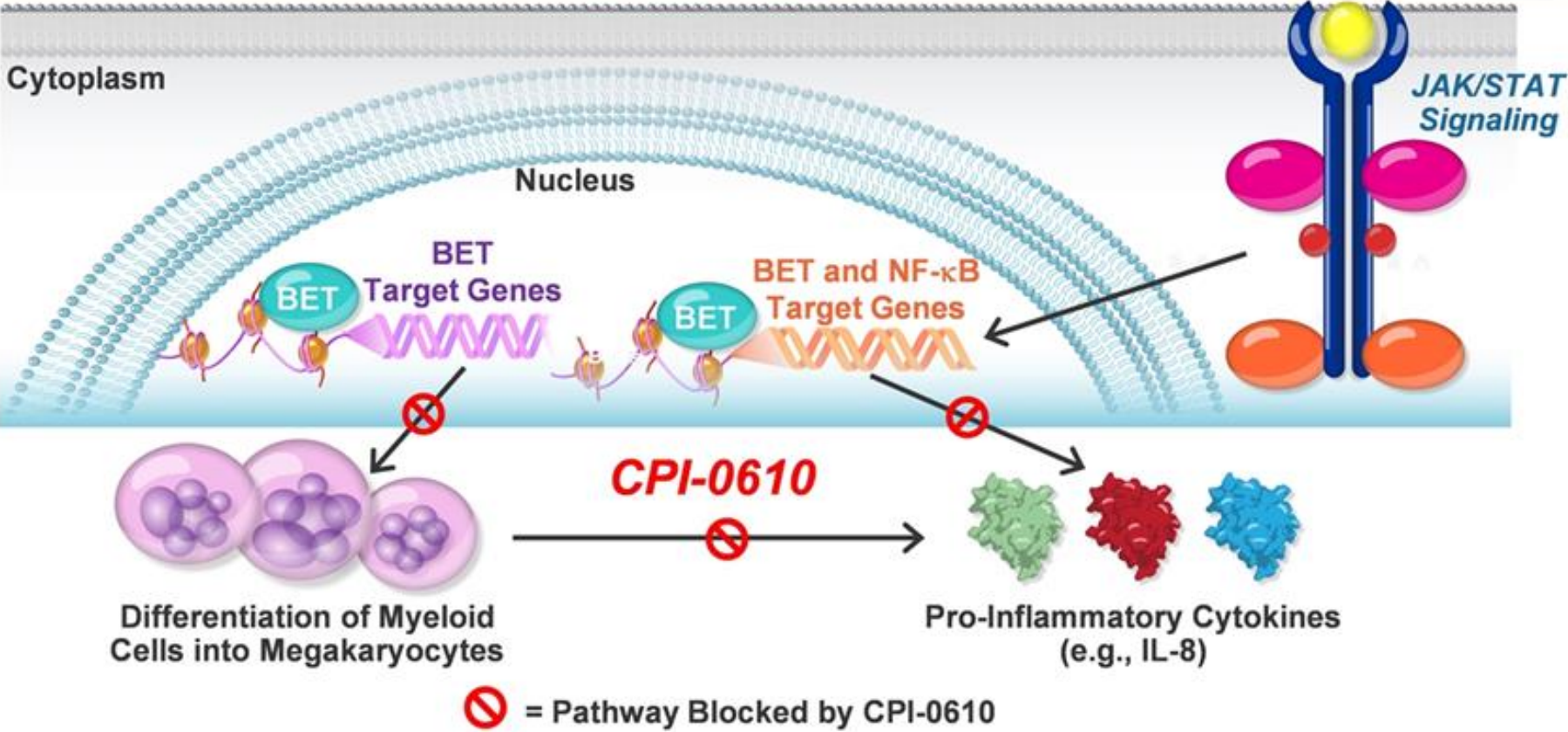
\* Unrelated death due to aspiration pneumonia

- Bomedemstat is generally well-tolerated
- Most common AE was dysgeusia, (CHANGE IN TASTE) **majority were Grade 1**; only 3/73 leading to treatment discontinuation
- 22/73 (30%) of patients reported 38 SAEs
- 7 SAEs deemed related to bomedemstat (N=4 pts)
- One patient experienced thrombotic event – pulmonary embolism - unrelated to bomedemstat

# MANIFEST study - Pelabresib

## Mechanism of Potential Disease Modification in Myelofibrosis

Reduce Inflammation and Suppress Cells in the Bone Marrow that Drive MF (Megakaryocytes)



# MANIFEST Arm 4: Pelabresib monotherapy in patients with high-risk ET refractory or intolerant to hydroxyurea

## Study Population

- > High-risk ET
- > Refractory or intolerant to hydroxyurea\*<sup>3</sup>
- >  $\geq$  two symptoms (average score  $\geq 3$ /TSS  $\geq 15$ ) per MPN-SAF in the prior 7 days
- > Platelets  $> 600 \times 10^9/L$



**Pelabresib monotherapy 225 mg PO QD in 21-day cycles (14 days on, 7 days off) N=21**



## Endpoints

### Primary Endpoint

**Complete hematologic response at anytime (confirmed)**

Normalization of platelet count ( $\leq 400 \times 10^9/L$ ) and WBC ( $\leq 10 \times 10^9/L$ ), confirmed 3 weeks later and a normal spleen size

### Secondary Endpoints

**Partial hematologic response at anytime (confirmed)**

Platelets  $400\text{--}600 \times 10^9/L$  and WBC within normal range ( $\leq 10 \times 10^9/L$ ), confirmed 3 weeks later

**Symptom improvement**

The proportion of patients with  $\geq 50\%$  reduction from baseline in the MPN-SAF total score

### Exploratory Endpoints

Translational assessment of *IL-8* expression change, cytokines and mutation status

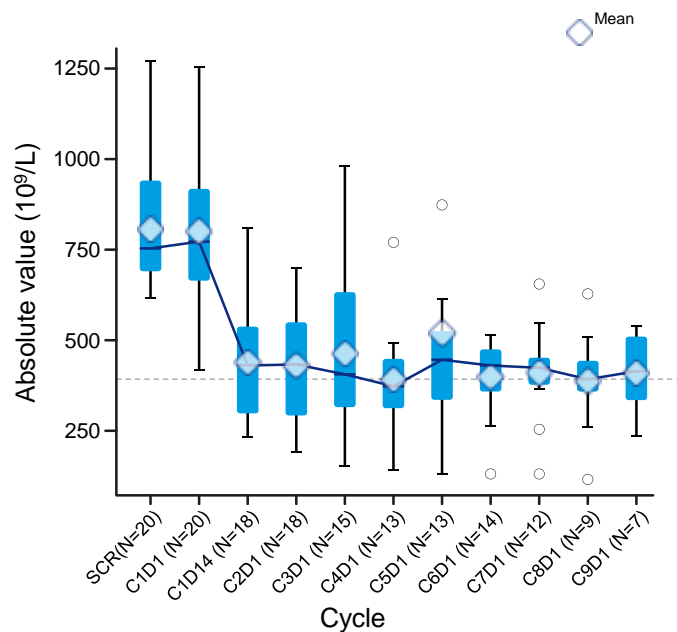
\*Refractory or intolerant criteria, as per Barosi, et al. 2007.

ET, essential thrombocythemia; TSS, total symptom score; MPN-SAF, Myeloproliferative Neoplasm Symptom Assessment Form; WBC, white blood cell.

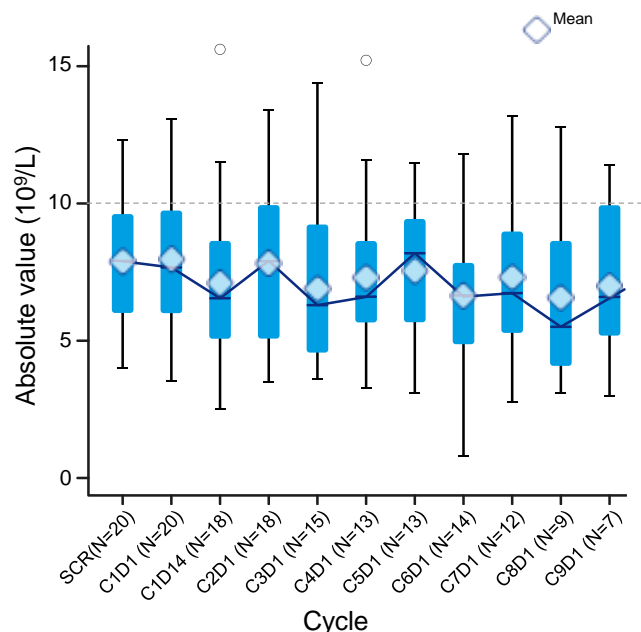
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# MANIFEST Arm 4: Platelet count, white blood cell count and hemoglobin

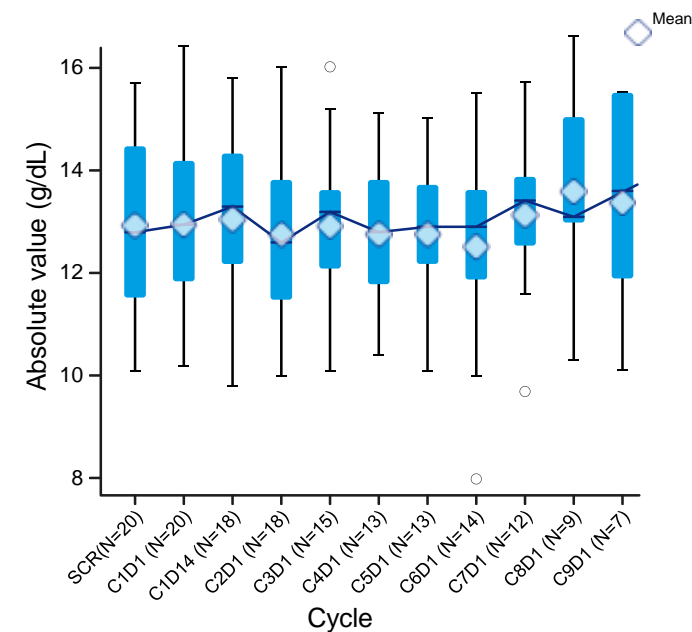
### Platelets over time



### WBC over time



### Hemoglobin over time



#### Platelet count

$\leq 400 \times 10^9/L$	60% (12/20)
Median at Wk 12	$446 \times 10^9/L$
Median % change at Wk 12	-40%

#### WBC count

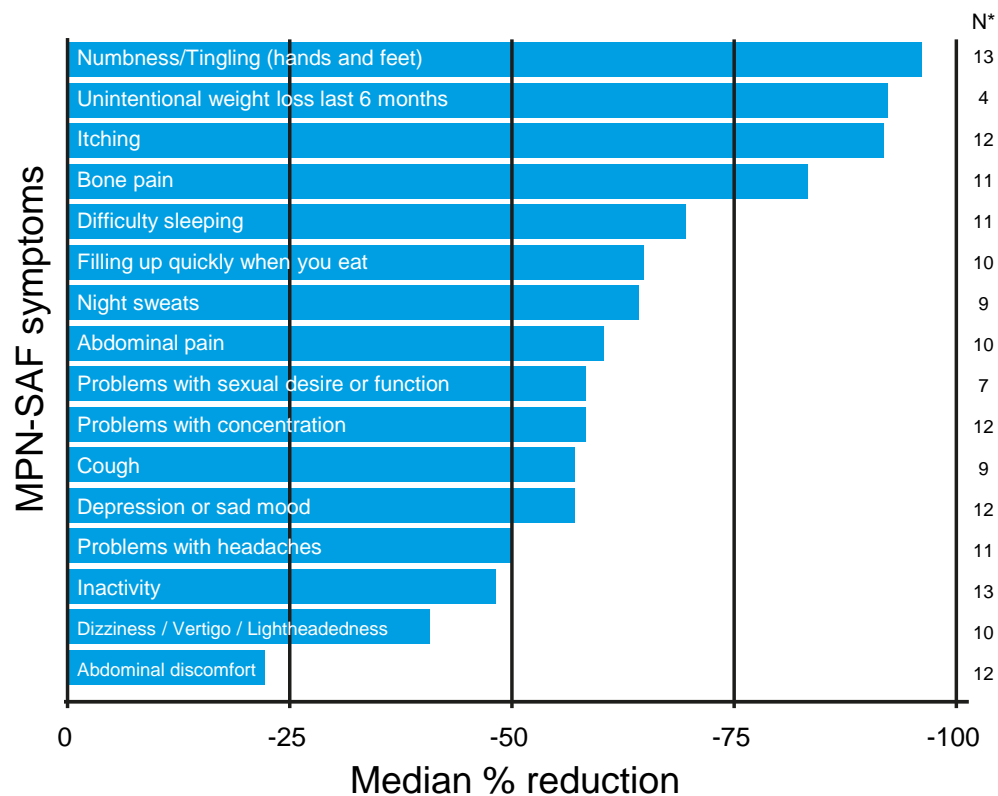
$\leq 10 \times 10^9/L$	95% (19/20)
Median at baseline	$7.9 \times 10^9/L$
Median at Wk 12	$8.2 \times 10^9/L$

Hemoglobin	Baseline	Week 12 (N=13)	Week 24 (N=7)
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Mean (g/dL)	13.0	13.0	13.6
Median (g/dL)	13.0	13.0	13.4

# MANIFEST Arm 4: Total symptom score

## Best percentage reduction in MPN-SAF symptoms



N=14*		MPN-SAF symptoms
TSS50 at anytime	50% (7/14)	
Median % TSS reduction at Week 12	-31%	

\*Patients with nonmissing and nonzero baseline symptom score.

Fever not depicted in the figure due to zero baseline.

TSS, total symptom score assessed based on MPN-SAF; TSS50, ≥50% reduction in total symptom score from baseline.

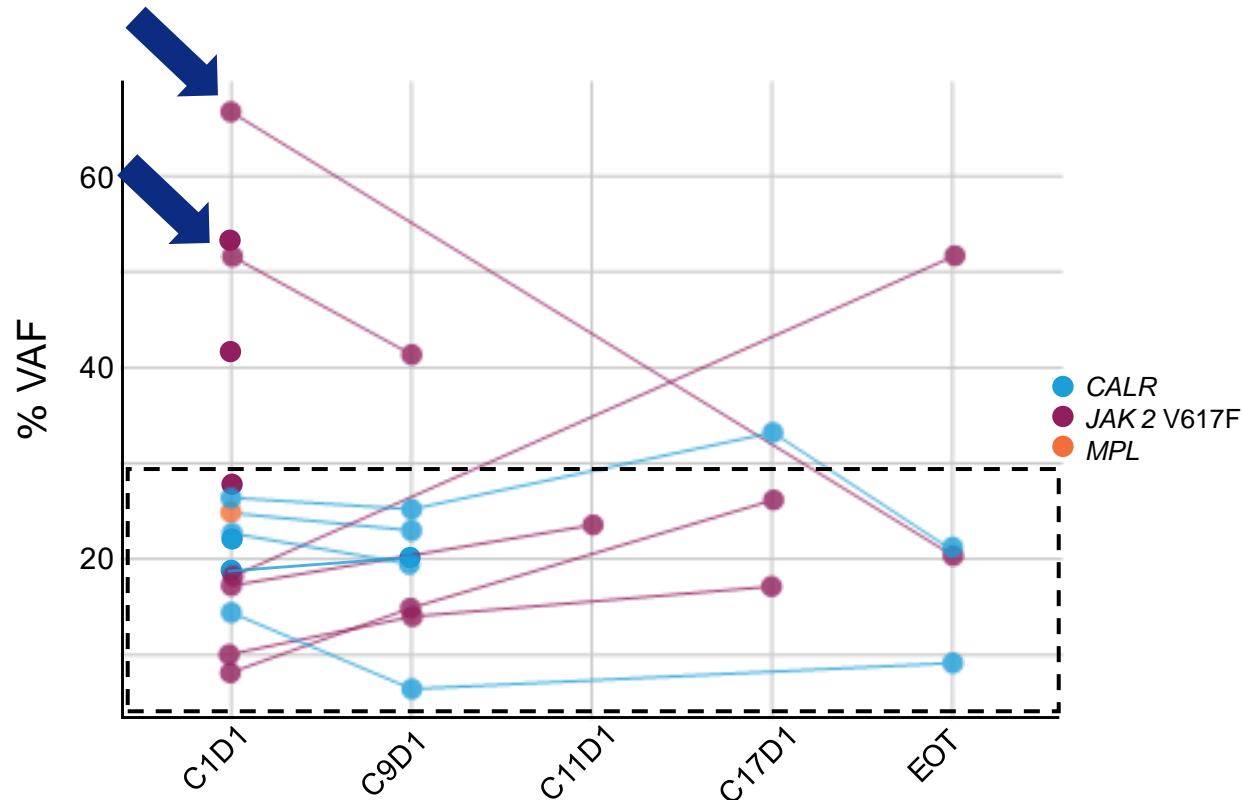
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Passamonti F, et al. EHA 2023. S168

Pelabresib (CPI-0610) is an investigational new drug and has not been approved by any regulatory authority

# MANIFEST Arm 4: VAF reduction in driver mutations

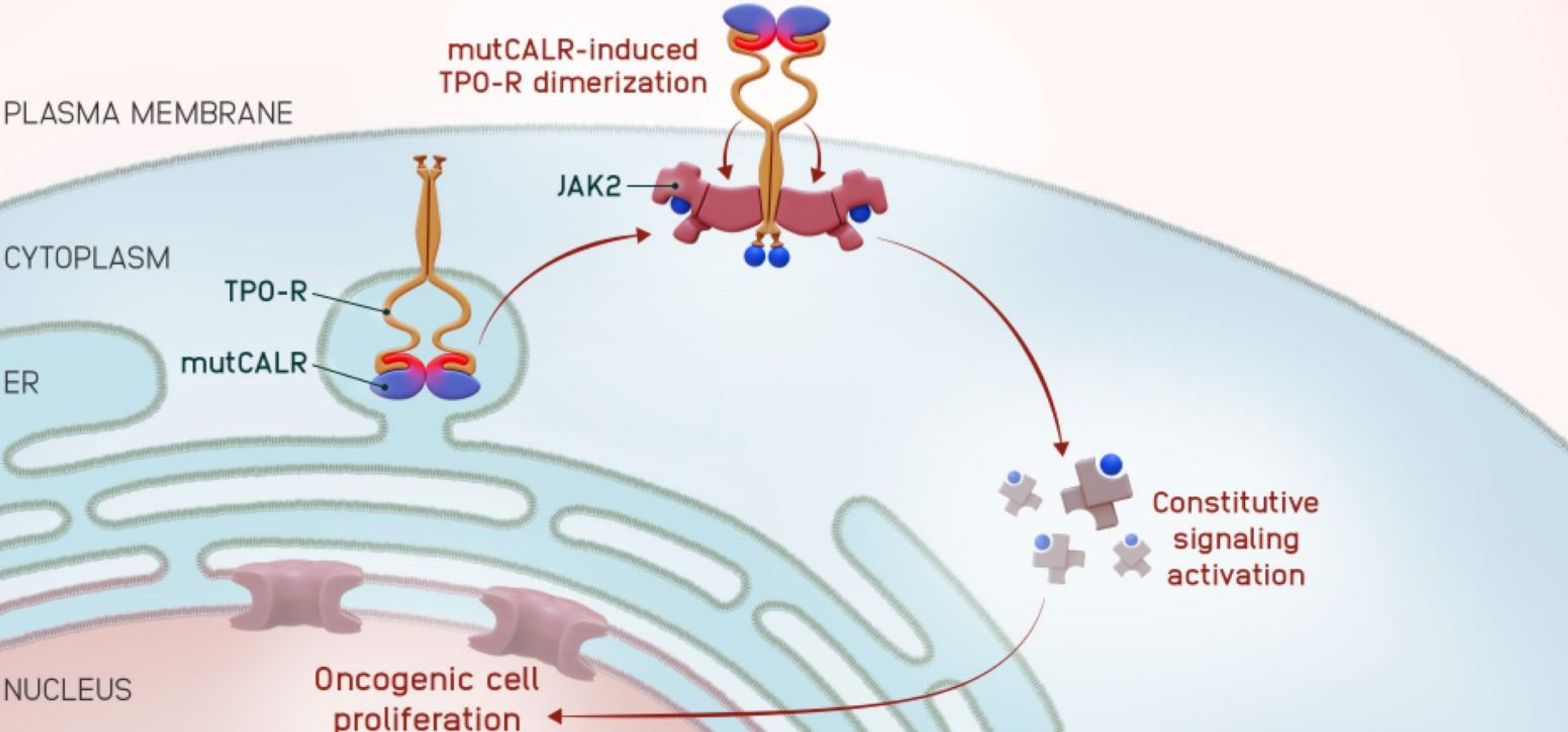
## Driver mutation levels



- > 2 out of 6 patients with *JAK2* V617F mutation assessment post-baseline showed a meaningful VAF reduction (67% → 20% and 52% → 40%)
- > VAF levels were maintained in most patients with  $\leq 30\%$  driver mutations

Peripheral blood next-generation sequencing panel to quantify the frequency of allele mutations at baseline and on treatment. One patient with the MPL mutation at baseline did not have a postbaseline assessment; therefore, they were not presented. Mutation profile change analyzed in 18 patients. During pelabresib treatment, 11 patients were analyzed over 4 timepoints. CXDX, Cycle X Day X; VAF, variant allele fraction.

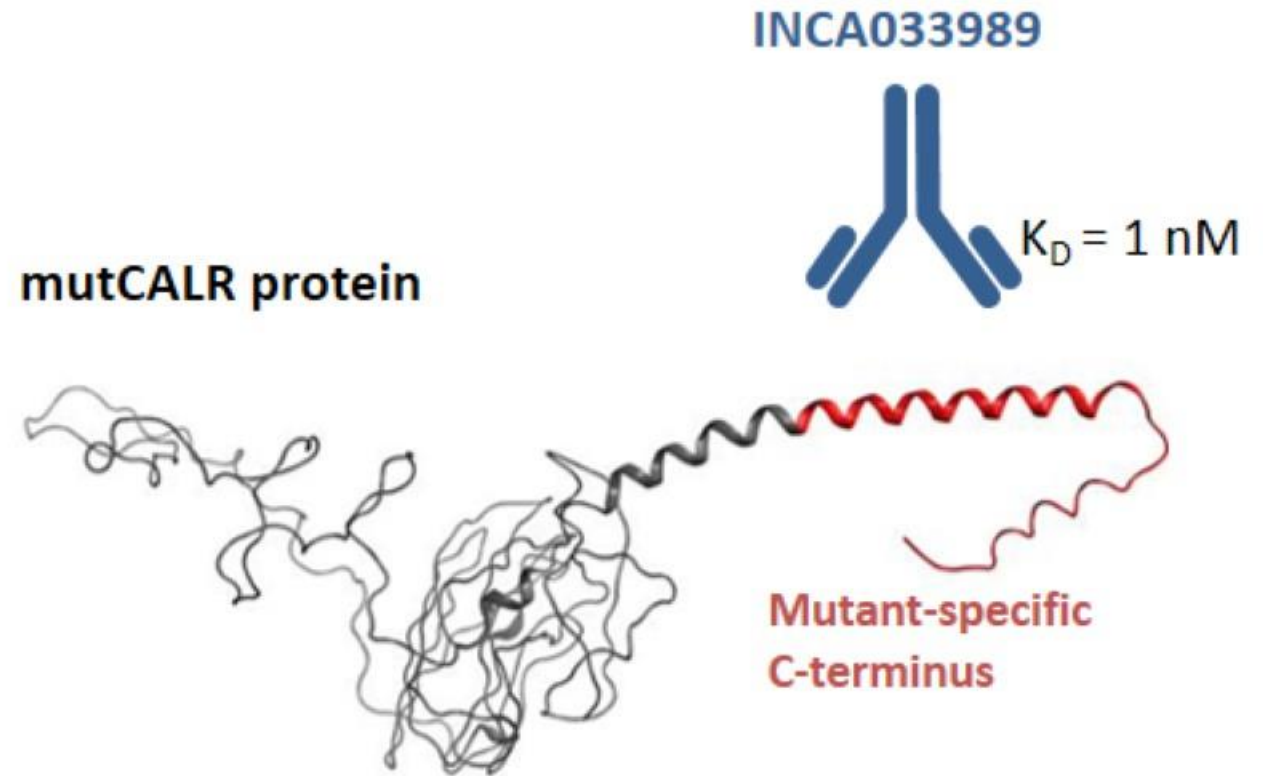
# Mutant calreticulin (mutCALR) induces oncogenic cell proliferation



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# INCA033989: a mutCALR-specific monoclonal antibody

- Fully human IgG1
- Fc-silent
- Selective binding to mutCALR
- Antagonizes mutCALR-induced signaling and oncogenic function



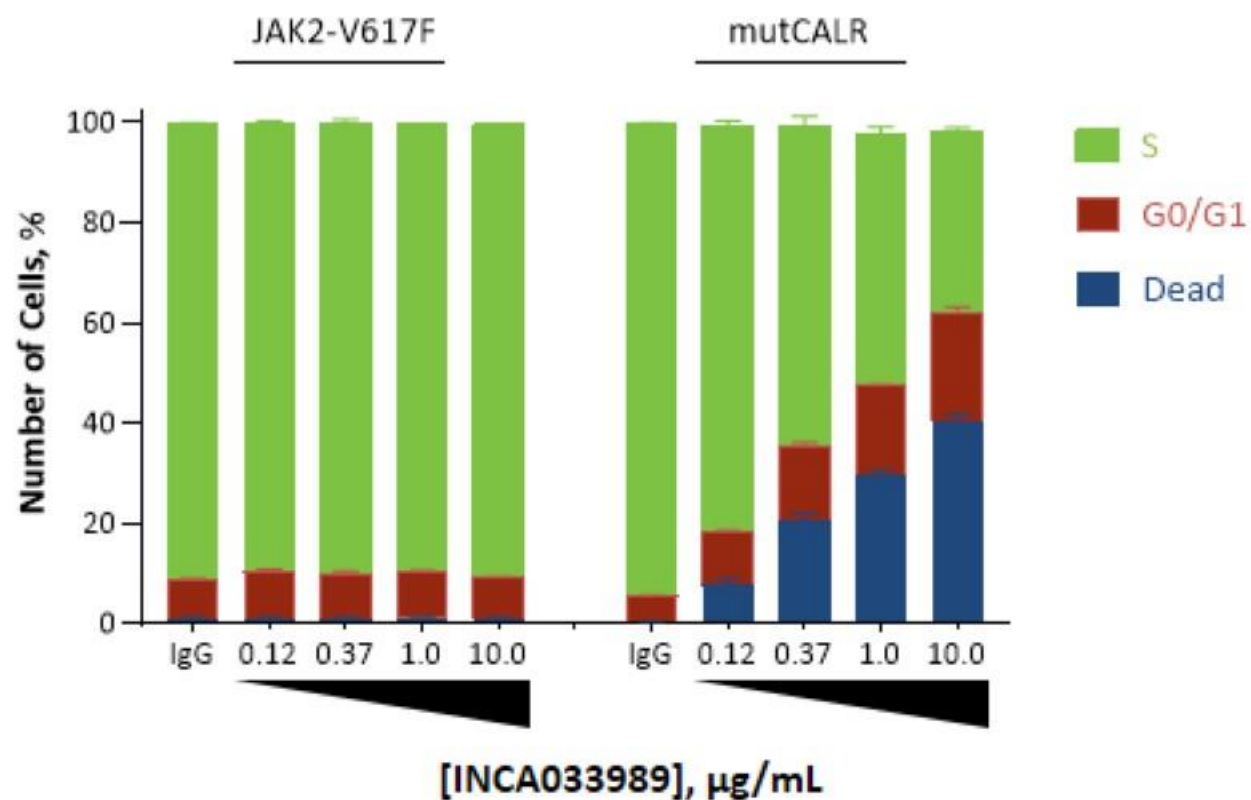
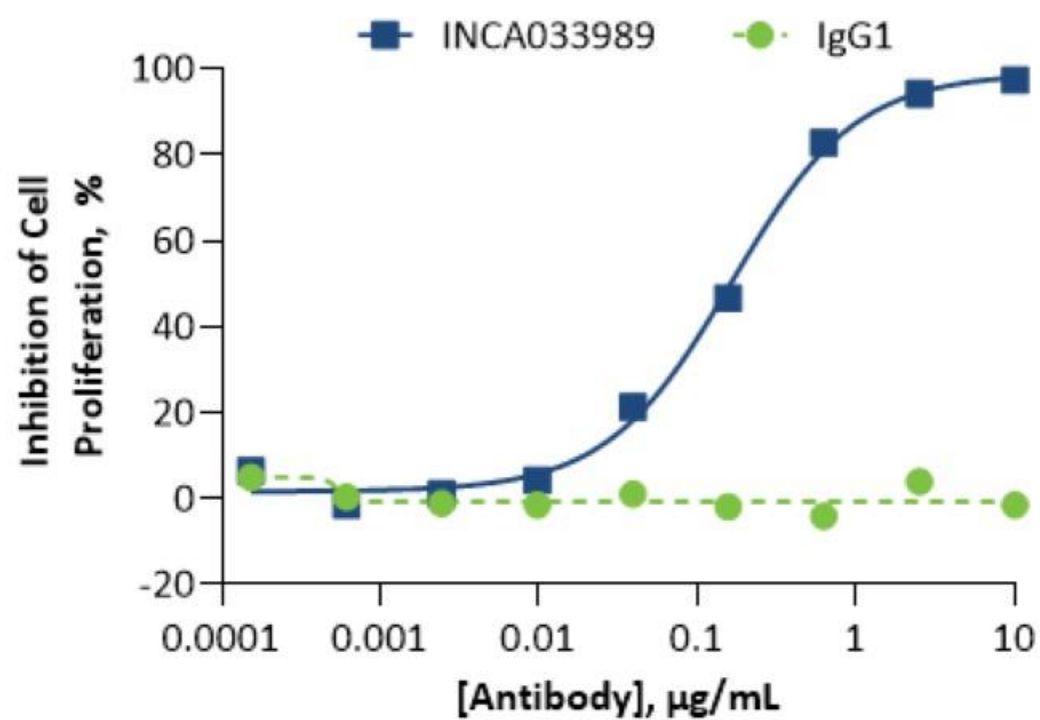
Structure generated with RaptorX (Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago, IL, USA).

IgG, immunoglobulin G; Fc, fragment crystallizable;  $K_D$ , equilibrium dissociation constant.

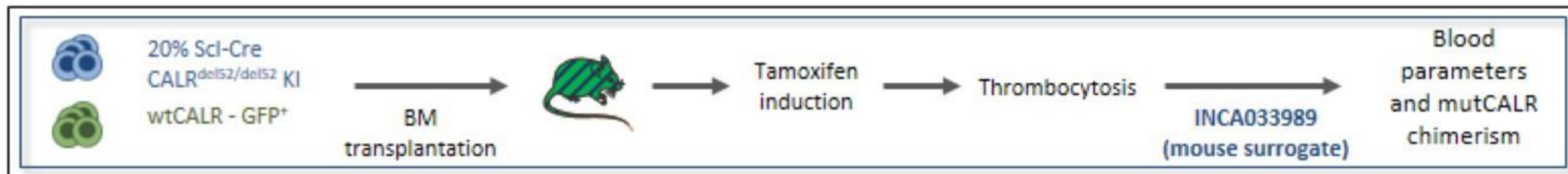




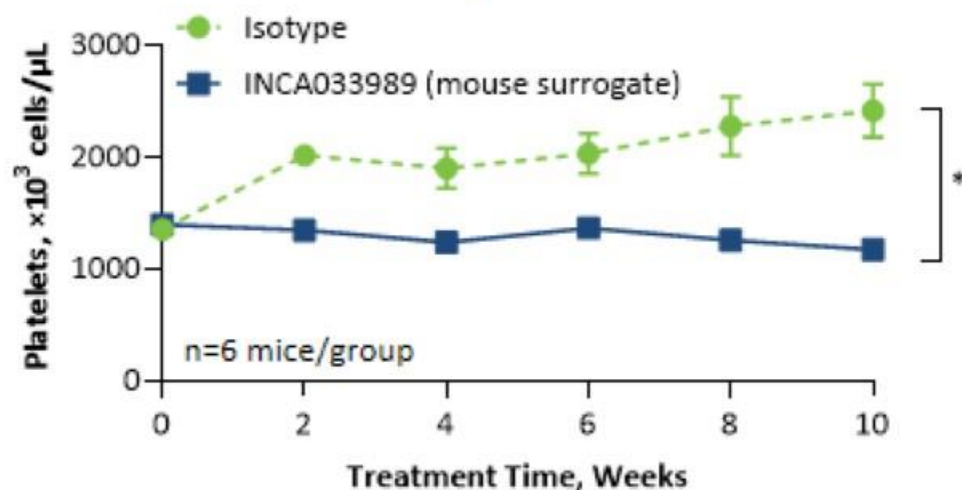
# INCA033989 selectively inhibits cell proliferation and induces death of mutCALR<sup>+</sup> cells



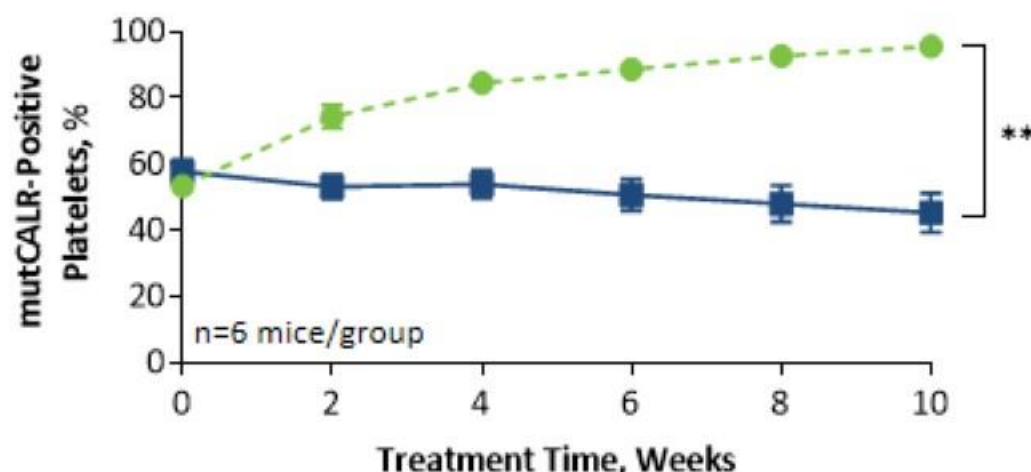
# INCA033989 surrogate restores hematologic and molecular responses in a murine model of ET



### Total platelet counts



### mutCALR-positive platelets



\* $P < 0.001$ ; \*\* $P < 0.0001$ .

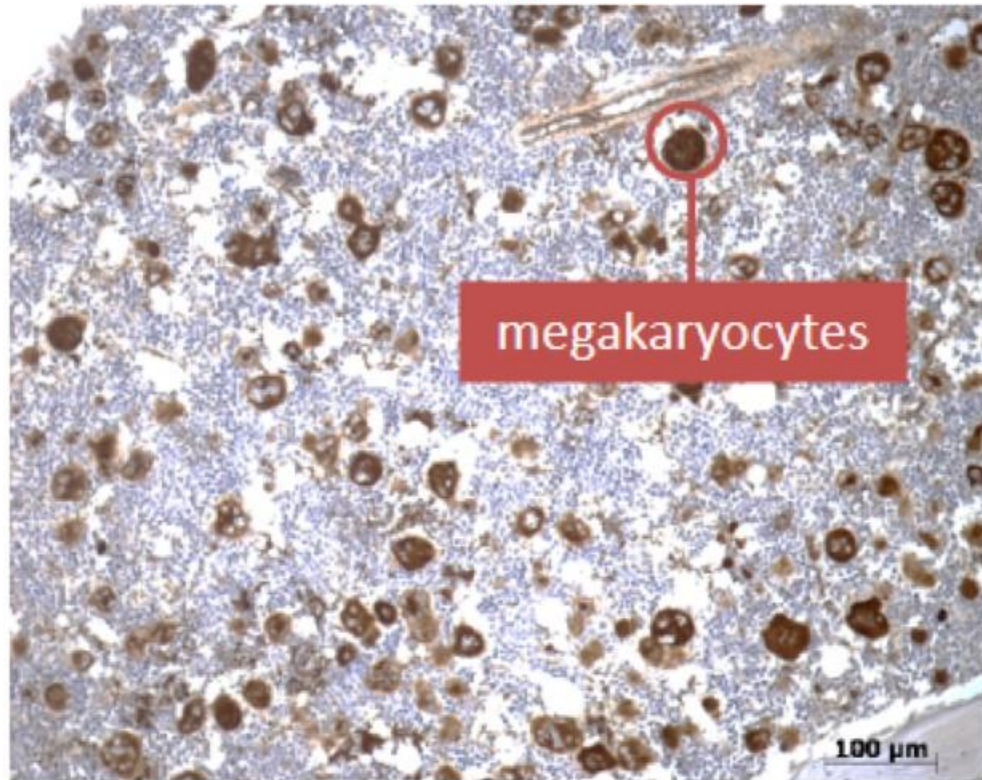
BM, bone marrow; ET, essential thrombocythemia.

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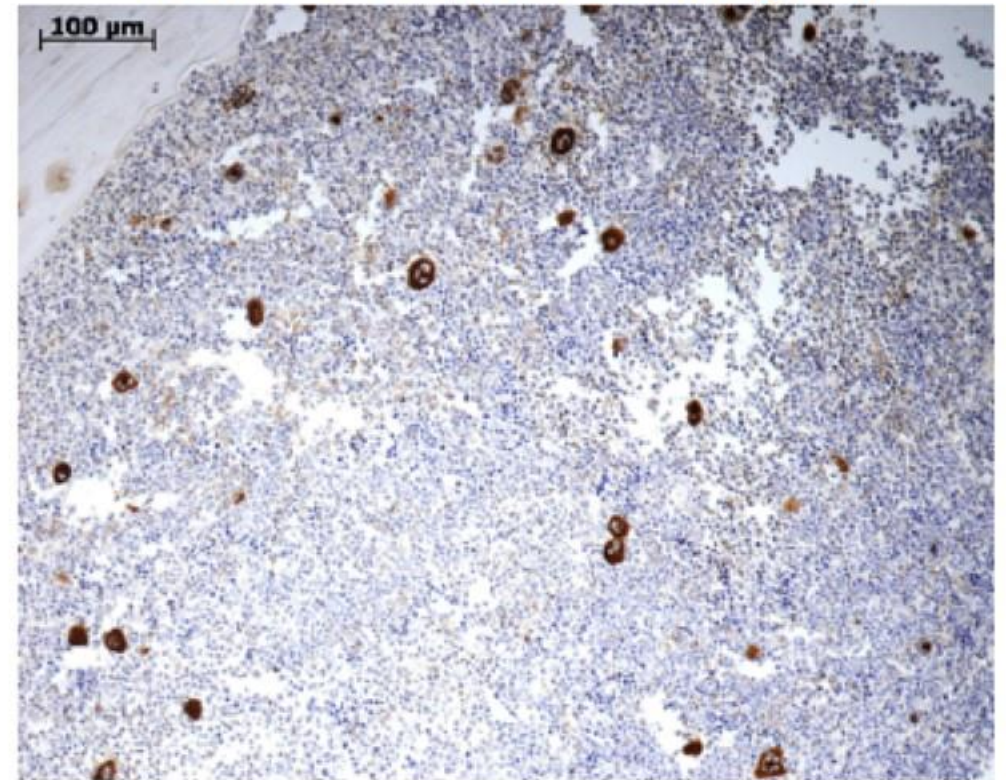


# INCA033989 surrogate treatment re-establishes normal megakaryopoiesis

Isotype



INCA033989 (mouse surrogate)



Megakaryocytes stained with anti-von Willebrand factor antibody.

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# On-going issues in high-risk ET?

First and foremost is it ET? and

Is it High-risk? Might differ according to driver mutation

Don't forget basic cardiovascular risk assessment

## Normal platelet count target?

<400 - high-risk PT1  
<600 - Bergamo study

High platelet count correlates with haemorrhagic but not thrombotic risk

## Haematological response?

- Standardised criteria from ELN (2009) and IWG-MRT (2013)
- Complete haem response: plts  $\leq 400$ , normal spleen, WBC  $\leq 10$
- Complete remission: symptom improvement, histological remission, no vascular events
- Retrospective study showed no benefit of CR on thrombotic risk or survival

Barosi et al, Blood 2009, 2013;  
Hernandez-Boulla et al, B J Haematol 2011

## Molecular response?

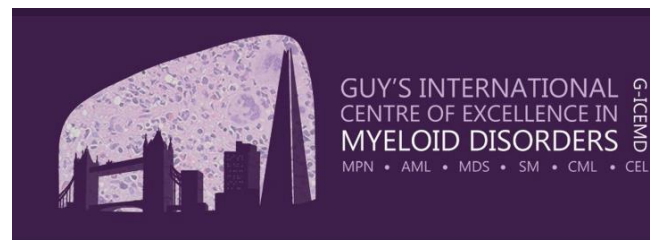
Patients in molecular response still have thrombotic and transformation events

? Different responses for different molecular profile

Uncertain long-term benefit



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