

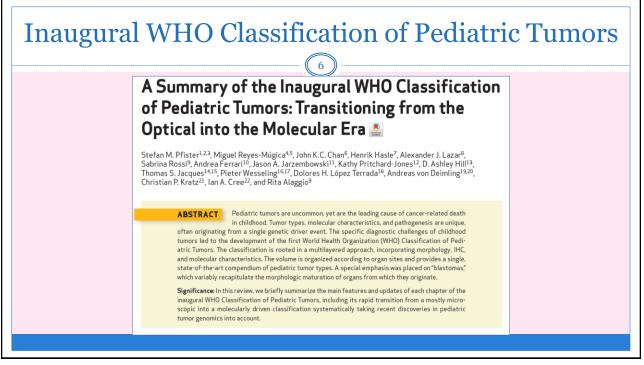
# Introduction to Myeloid Neoplasms

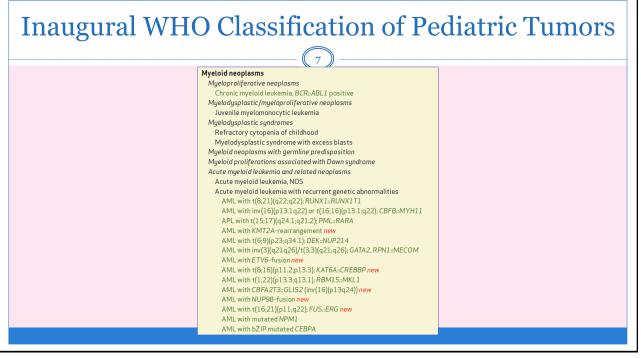
- Myeloid malignancies are clonal disorders of the progenitor cells or hematopoietic stem cells, which are comprised of chronic phases including myeloproliferative neoplasms, myelodysplastic disorders, chronic myelomonocytic leukemia, and acute stages, i.e., acute myeloid leukemia.
- Chronic phases of myeloid neoplasms all carry a risk of disease evolution or 'transformation' to acute myeloid leukemia of on variety or another there are many subtypes of acute myeloid leukemia
- There are many carcinogenic exposures related to development of myeloid disease and many genetic mutations associated with disease
- An individual may even develop a myeloid malignancy due to genetics, post cytotoxic therapy, exposure to petrochemicals like benzene or radiation

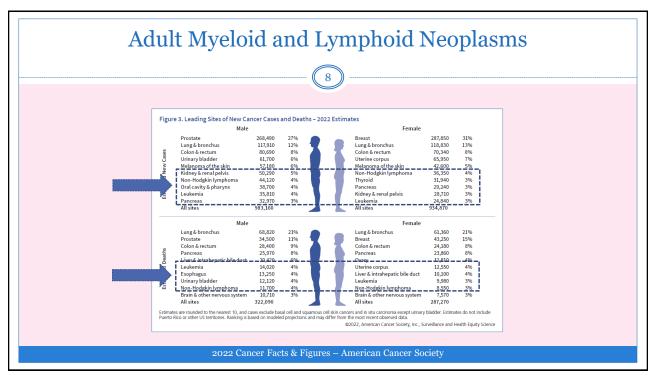
## Pediatric versus Adult Myeloid Neoplasms

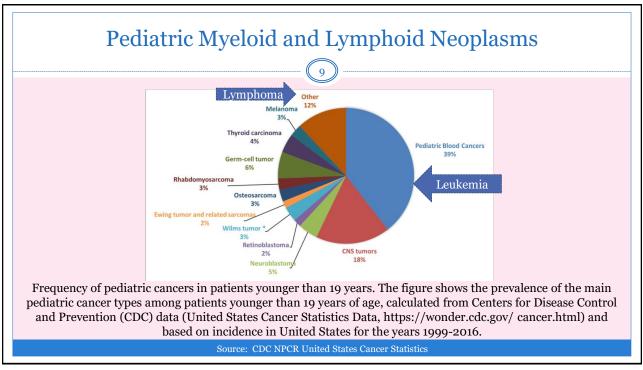
- Myeloproliferative (MPN) and Myelodysplastic (MDS) Conditions are exceedingly rare in children but fairly common in older adults
- The drivers/causes for MPN and MDS and the genetic makeup are different in children than in adults and probably different diseases
- CMML and JMML (myelomonocytic leukemias) are also probably different types of MML diseases juvenile and chronic in elderly
- CMML is not CML be careful delineating the differences
- AML occurs most frequently in adults over age 60
- AML is much less common in children as young as a few days old
- · Pediatric AML is entirely different genetically than adult AML
- Knowing that pediatric myeloid and older adult myeloid neoplasms are totally different diseases that happen to have the same name is confusing
- The primary reason molecular pathology now plays a huge role in distinguishing differences in myeloid neoplasms not just pediatric versus adult but differentiating the numerous subtypes and requiring different diagnostic/treatment approaches



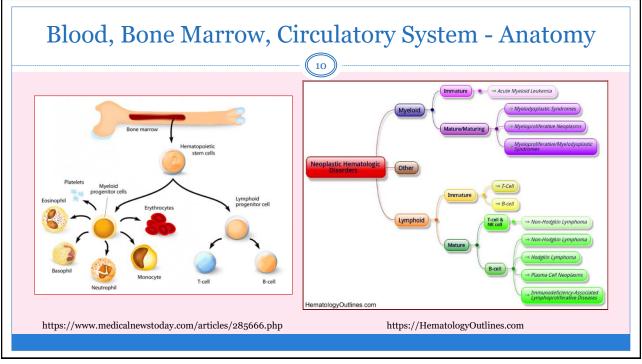






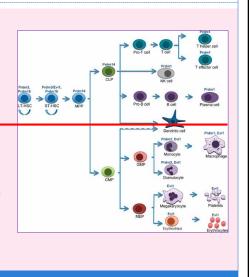




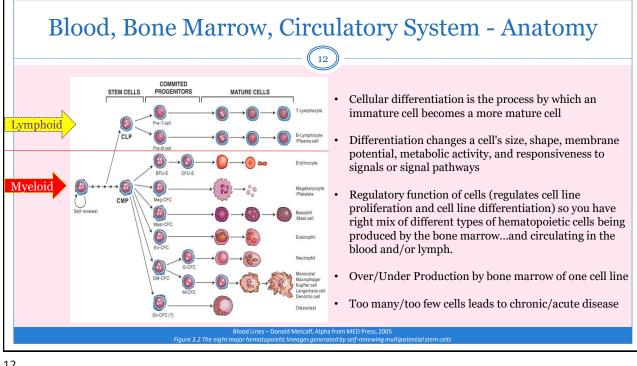


## Blood, Bone Marrow, Circulatory System - Anatomy

- Cell differentiation
- Regulation of proliferation
- Regulation of differentiation
- Turn on/Turn off
  - Growth factors
  - Genes (including mutations)
  - Proteins
- Dysregulation disrupts normal development
- Oncogenesis becoming malignant
- Shows up in genetic mutations of all sorts



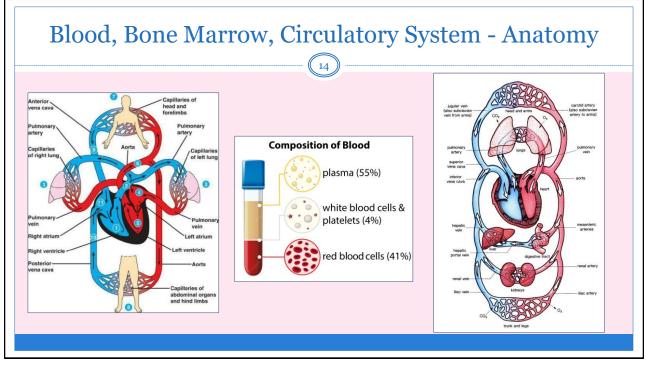




## Why are cell line, proliferation, differentiation and function important?

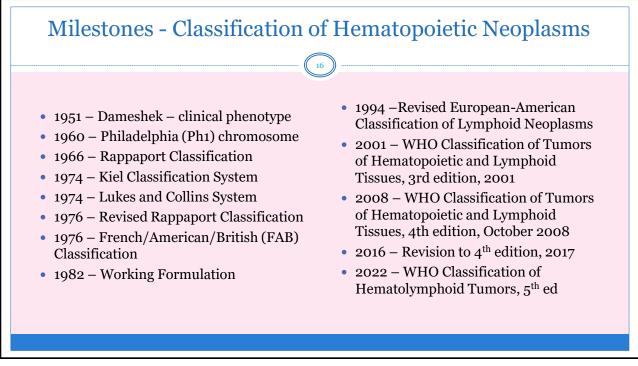
- All cells contain the full complement of biomolecules that are necessary for survival, proliferation, differentiation, cell death, and expression of many cell type–specific functions. These functions are controlled in normal cells and one or more of the functions operate out of control in cancer cells.
- Regulatory function of cells (proliferation and differentiation) ensure you have right mix/balance of hematopoietic cells produced by the bone marrow...and circulating in the blood and/or lymph.
- Failure to regulate the functions properly (dysregulation) results in an altered phenotype and cancer.
- · Cell Lines show which major group of disease the malignancy occurs lymphoid/myeloid
- · Proliferation is the process when the body/bone marrow makes too many of a specific type of cells
- Differentiation is the process of an immature cell becoming a mature cell with a specific function.
- Mutations can occur during proliferation & differentiation pathways to neoplastic development

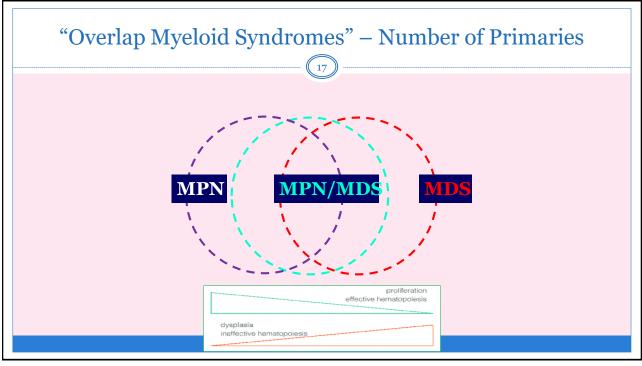


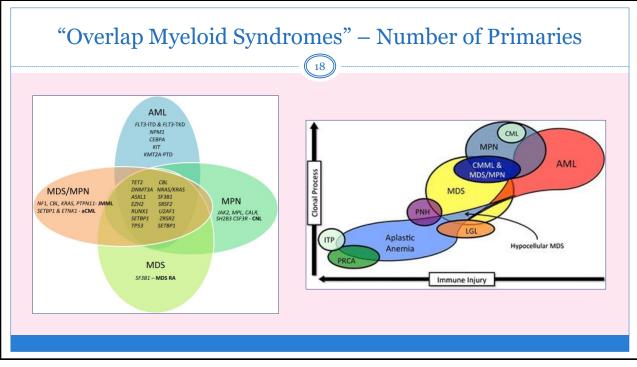


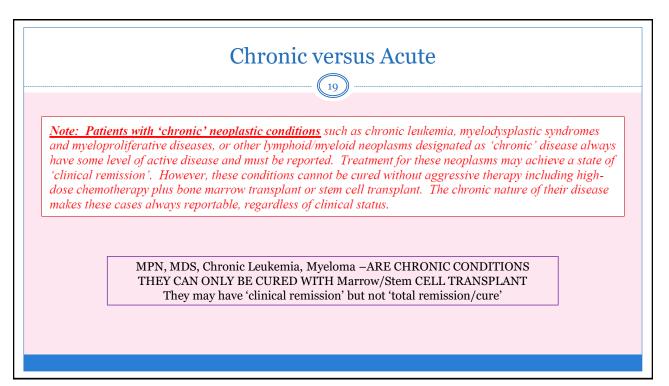
### Milestones - Classification of Hematopoietic Neoplasms

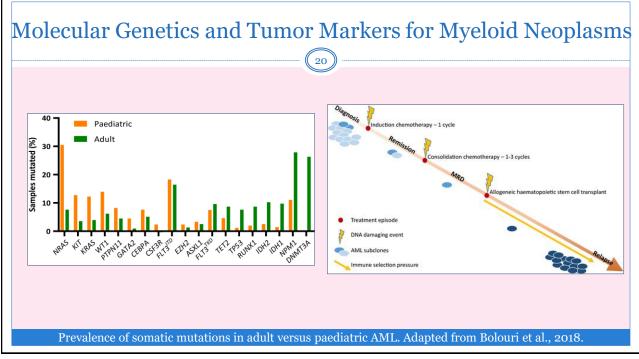
- 1951, William Dameshek described the concept of 'myeloproliferative disorders' by grouping together chronic myelogenous leukemia, polycythemia vera, essential thrombocythemia, primary myelofibrosis and erythroleukemia
- 1960, Nowell and Hungerford discovered the Philadelphia (Ph) chromosome in CML.
- 1967, Fialkow and colleagues used X-linked polymorphisms to establish CML as a clonal stem cell disease.
- 1967, the PV Study Group was summoned by Louis Wasserman to study the natural history of Polycythemia Vera and conduct large-scale clinical trials.
- 1972, Janet Rowley deciphered the Ph chromosome as a reciprocal translocation between chromosomes 9 and 22, thus paving the way for its subsequent characterization as an oncogenic BCR–ABL mutation.
- 1996, Brian Druker discovered imatinib (Gleevec) —a small molecule ABL inhibitor with exceptional therapeutic activity in CML.
- 2005, a gain-of-function JAK2 mutation (JAK2V617F) was described in BCR–ABL-negative MPDs, raising the prospect of a CML-like treatment strategy in PV, ET and PMF.

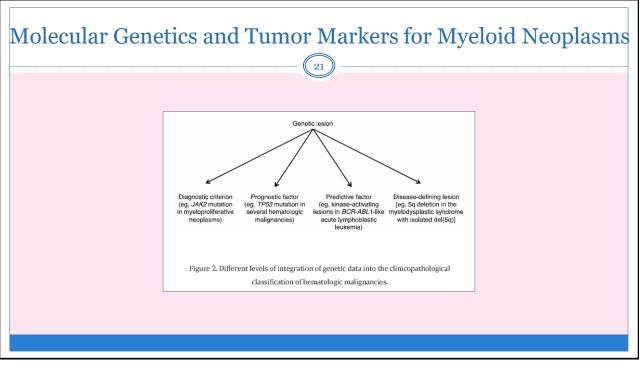


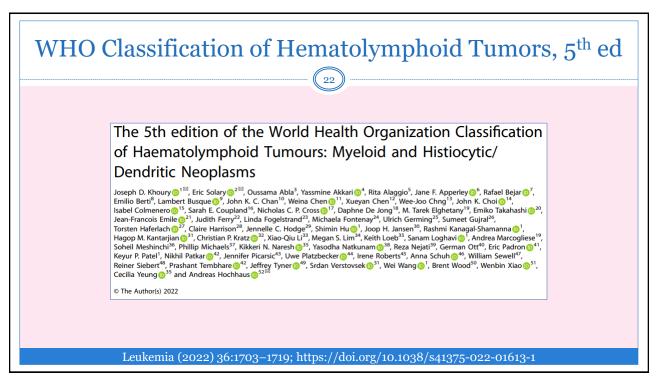


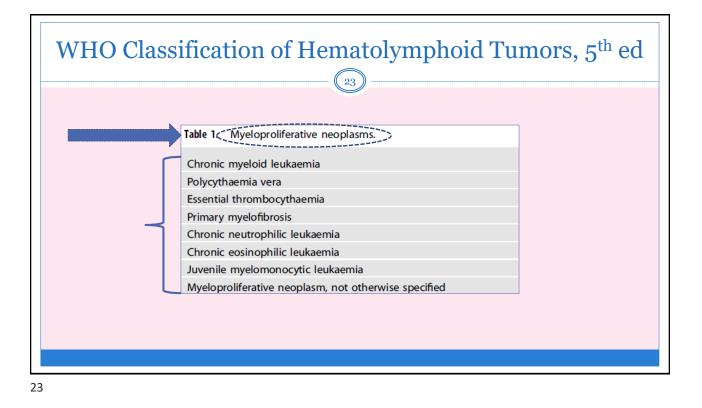


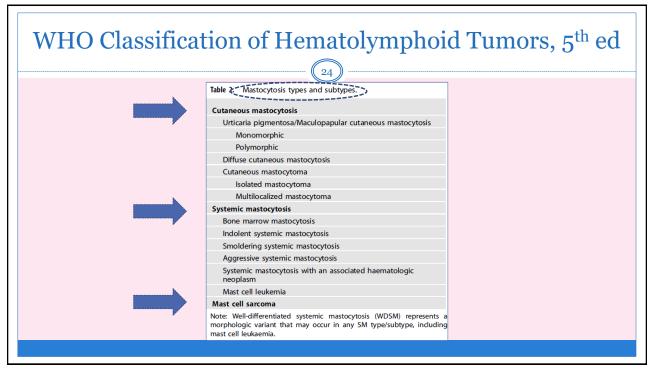


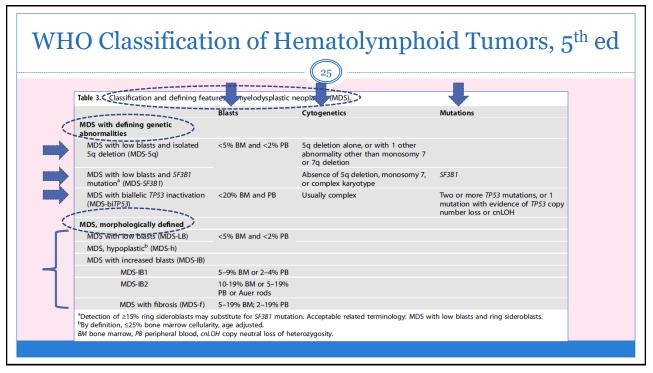






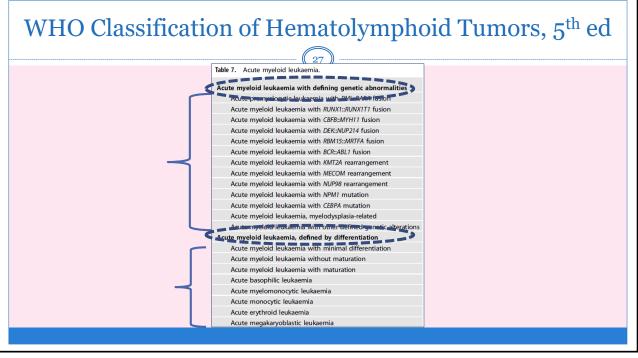


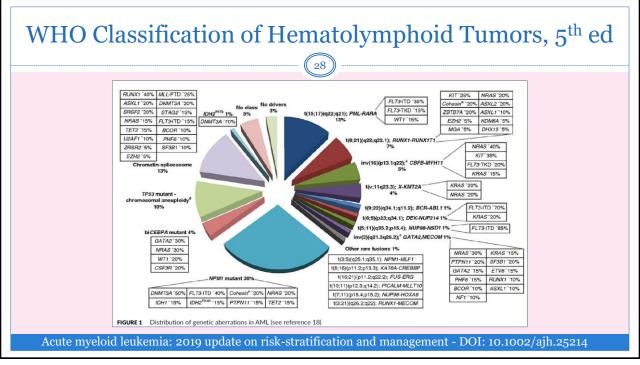




# WHO Classification of Hematolymphoid Tumors, 5<sup>th</sup> ed

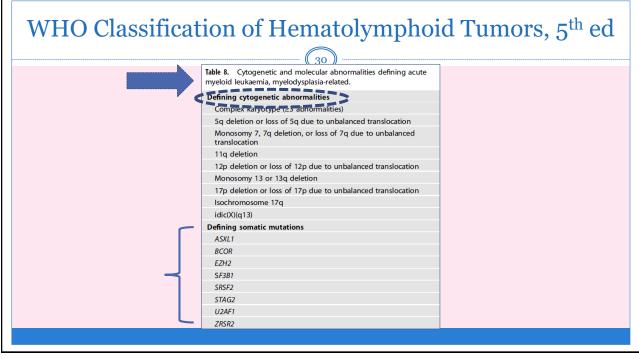
Table Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative neoplasms	Prerequisite criteria 1. Persistent absolute (≥0.5 × 10 <sup>9</sup> /L) and relative (≥10%) peripheral blood monocytosis.
Chronic myelomonocytic leukaemia	2. Blasts constitute <20% of the cells in the peripheral blood and bone marrow. <sup>a</sup>
Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative neoplasm with neutrophilia	<ol> <li>Not meeting diagnostic criteria of chronic myeloid leukaemia or other myeloproliferative neoplasms.<sup>b</sup></li> </ol>
Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative neoplasm with SF3B1 mutation and thrombocytosis	<ol> <li>Not meeting diagnostic criteria of myeloid/lymphoid neoplasms with tyrosine kinase fusions.<sup>6</sup></li> </ol>
Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative neoplasm, not otherwise specified	Supporting criteria
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	1. Dysplasia involving ≥1 myeloid lineages. <sup>d</sup>
CMMI diagnostia anitania undanga majan	2. Acquired clonal cytogenetic or molecular abnormality.
CMML diagnostic criteria undergo major	3. Abnormal partitioning of peripheral blood monocyte subsets. <sup>e</sup>
revisions, including lowering the cutoff for	Requirements for diagnosis
absolute monocytosis, adopting MD-CMML and	- Pre-requisite criteria must be present in all cases.
MPCMML subtypes, and eliminating CMML-0.	- If monocytosis is $\ge 1 \times 10^9$ /L: one or more supporting criteria must be met.
> Atypical chronic myeloid leukaemia renamed	- If monocytosis is $\geq\!0.5$ and $<\!1\times10^9/L$ supporting criteria 1 and 2 must be met.
MDS/MPN with neutrophilia.	Subtyping criteria
MDS/MPN with ring sideroblasts and	- Myelodysplastic CMML (MD-CMML): WBC < $13 \times 10^{9}$ /L
thrombocytosis redefined based on SF3B1	- Myeloproliferative CMML (MP-CMML): WBC $\ge$ 13 $\times$ 10 <sup>9</sup> /L
mutation and renamed MDS/MPN with SF3B1	Subgrouping criteria (based on percentage of blasts and promonocytes)
mutation and thrombocytosis.	CMML-1: <5% in peripheral blood and <10% in bone marrow
	CMML-2: 5–19% in peripheral blood and 10-19% in bone marrow
	<sup>a</sup> Blasts and blast equivalents include myeloblasts, monoblasts and promonocytes.



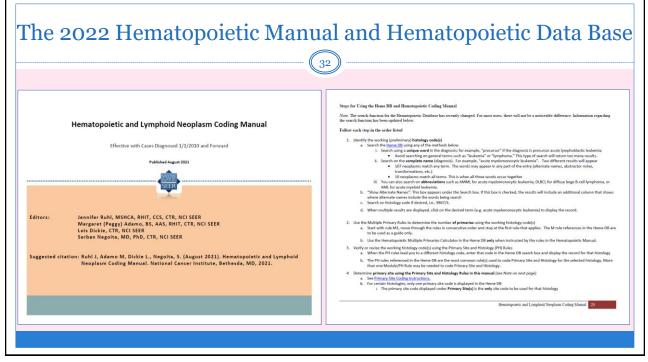


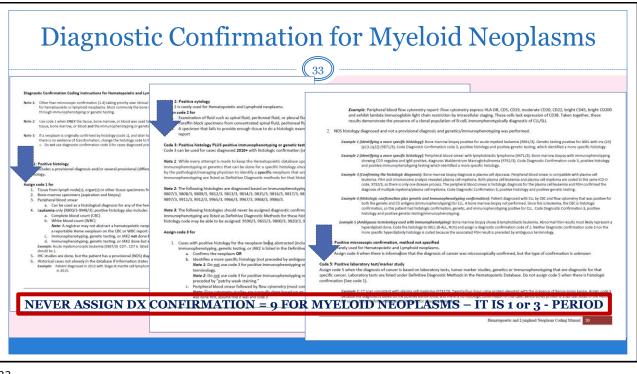
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Mutation	"Targeted" agent	Other therapies
None, or RUNX1/RUNX1T1[t(8;21)],or	Samalizumab	Smalizumab given with 7 + 3 for induction, used alone for "maintenance"
CBFB/MYH11 (inv 16) (p13;q22)or t (16;16)(p13;q22)	(antibody against CD200 which is correlated with frequency immunosuppressive T regulatory cells (Leukemia 2012;26(9) 2146-48))	
None, or TET 2, or IDH1, or WT1	BI 836858	BI 838568 given with azacitidine for
	(anti CD33 antibody augments antibody dependent cellular toxicity after treatment with decitabine; [Vasu et al. Blood 2016;127:2879-2889]	induction and "maintenance"
IDH2	Enasidenib	Add azacitidine if neither CR nor CRi after
	(IDH2 inhibitor, see below)	5 cycles enasidenib
MLL	Entospletinib	Add azacitidine after 1-4 cycles entospletinib if no CR/CRi or
	SYK (spleen tyrosine kinase) inhibitor	"progressive disease"
	J Hematol Oncol 2017; Jul 28;10(1):145. doi: 10.1186/s13045-017-0512-1.	programme another
TP53	Entospletinib	Add 2 cycles decitabine after 1 cycle
	SYK inhibitor	entospletinib if subsequent induction needed; at least 1 of the 2 cycles must give Decitabine × 10 days
NPM1 with no FLT3 ITD	Entospletinib	Entospletinib given with 7 + 3 if age <75
	SYK inhibitor	with PS 0-2 ; if age >75 or PS >2 add azacitidine if no CR/CRi after 1 cycle entospletinib
TP53	Pevonedistat	Pevonedistat given with azacitidine ×
	(inhibitor of the NEDD8-activating enzyme, combined with azacitidine reported to improve response rate of latter [ Swords et al. Blood 2018:131:1415-24]	4 cycles and then for "maintenance"

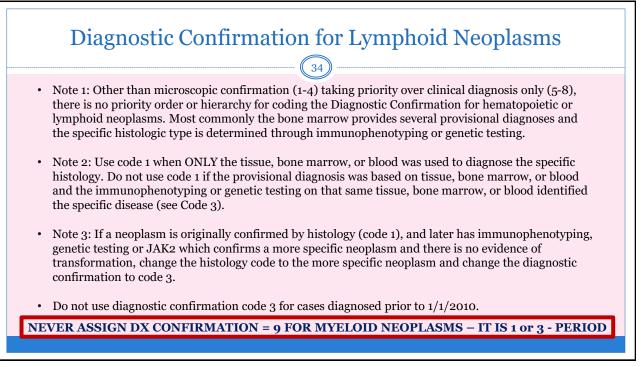




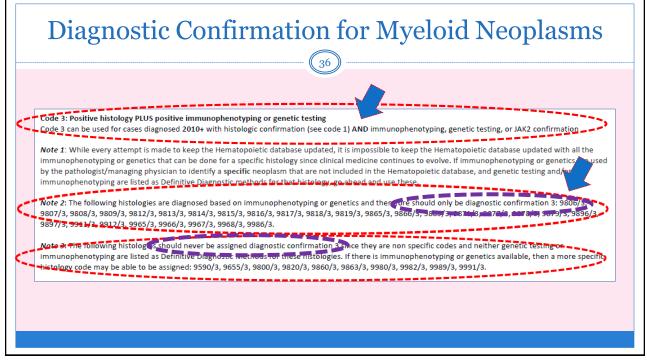
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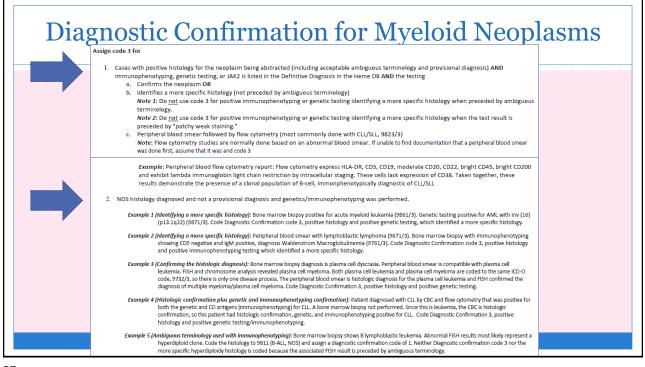


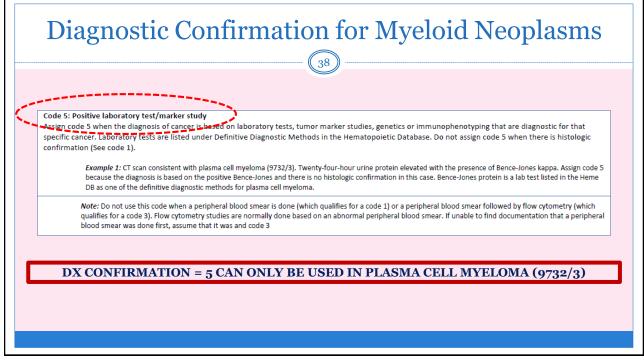






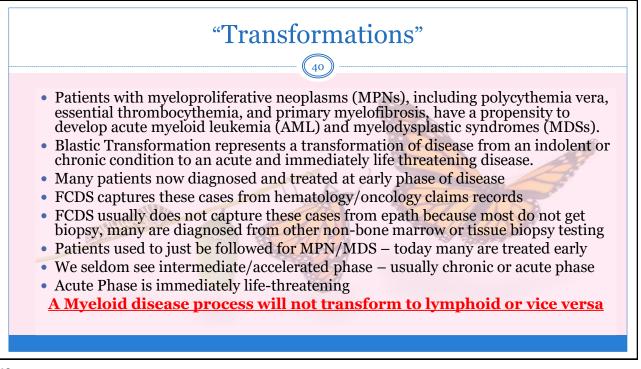






#### "Transformations" 39 Transformations: Chronic Neoplasms and Acute Neoplasms Transformations to If a chronic neoplasm can transform to an acute/more severe neoplasm, the Heme DB will show the acute neoplasm in the "Transformations to" section. For example, if you search the Heme DB for chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma (CLL/SLL) (9823/3), the "Transformations to" section shows that CLL/SLL transforms to diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (9680/3). That indicates CLL/SLL is a chronic neoplasm and diffuse large B-cell lymphoma is an acute neoplasm Transformations from Information in this field is intendedoi to help registrars determine which histologies are chronic and which are acute. Acute neoplasms may have multiple histologies listed in the "Transformations from" field. Histologies listed in the "Transformations from" field are chronic. For example, in the Heme DB under plasma cell myeloma (9732/3), the "Transformations from" field lists solitary plasmacytoma of bone (9731/3) and extraosseous plasmacytoma (9734/3). That means that plasma cell myeloma (9732/3) is an acute neoplasm which could have transformed from the two listed plasmacytomas (9731/3 and 9734/3) which are chronic neoplasms. See Rules M8-M13 for determination of single or multiple primaries involving cases noting both chronic and acute diagnoses. The most common form of transformation is when a neoplasm progresses from chronic to acute; however, neoplasms may be diagnosed in an acute phase and transform to a less aggressive chronic phase after treatment. In these cases, it is important to determine if the patient received treatment for the acute neoplasm. If the patient was treated, abstract the chronic neoplasm as a second primary (see Rule M13). If the patient was not treated for the acute neoplasm, code only the acute neoplasm (see Rule M12). Follow back is definitely recommended to determine whether there was any further diagnostic workup that proved the acute diagnosis was incorrect or documentation that the acute diagnosis was provisional. The inclusion of the terms "chronic" or "acute" in a neoplasm do not mean the neoplasm may transform. The terms "chronic" and "acute" refer to the indolent or aggressive nature of the neoplasm, respectively. The key to determining if the chronic/acute rules apply is following the information in the Heme database. If a neoplasm has transformations listed (either in "transformation to" or "transformation from"), then usually the chronic/acute rules apply. If no transformations are listed, then the chronic acute rules do not apply.





Transformation or Progression
When a Myeloid Disease (MPN, MDS, Chronic Myeloid Leukemia) Transforms to Acute Myeloid Leukemia – See Heme DB for Transformations
Acute Leukemia The phase of leukemia in which 20% or more of the cells in the blood or bone marrow are blast cells. Lymphoblasts or Leukemic Blasts.
Lymphoma does not have Transformation
Some lymphoma progresses to Stage IV lymphoma that involves bone marrow
Other lymphomas begin in bone marrow as lymphoid leukemia
Leukemia/Lymphoma is always Distant Stage/Systemic Disease
Chronic Leukemia is always Distant Stage/Systemic Disease
Acute Leukemia is always Distant Stage/Systemic Disease
Plasma Cell Myeloma is always Distant Stage/Systemic Disease

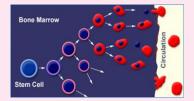
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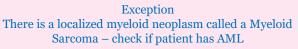
## Workup and Staging Myeloid Neoplasms

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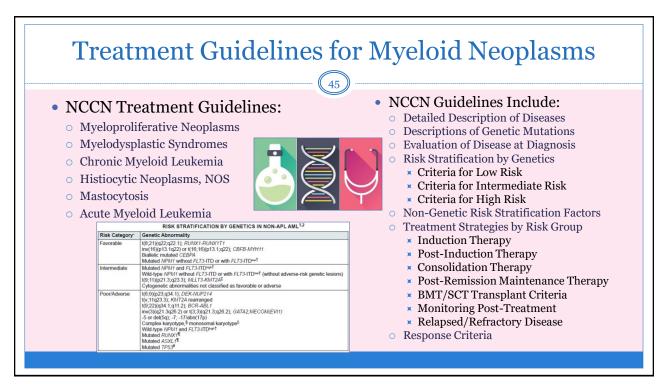
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- Immunophenotype Immuno/Genetic
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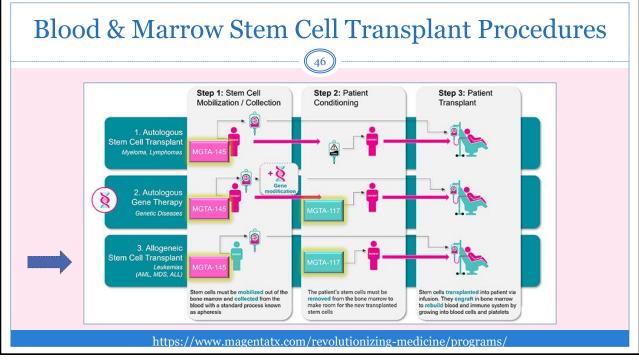
ALL Myeloid Neoplasms are Systemic Disease ALL Bone Marrow Primaries are Systemic You Cannot Assign AJCC TNM Stage But, you DO assign Distant Stage Stage is NEVER Unknown or NA





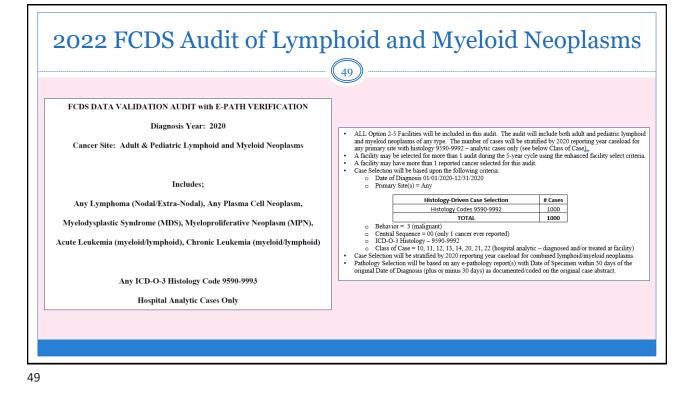
- <u>**Histology**</u> Microscopy examines the microanatomy of cells, tissues, and organs as seen through a microscope physical characteristics. It examines the correlation between structure and function.
- <u>Biologic Tumor Marker</u> Immunoassay can be used to identify anything present in or produced by cancer cells or other cells from blood, urine and body fluids. Tumor Markers provide information about a cancer, aggressiveness, what kind of treatment it may respond to, or whether it is responding to treatment. Tumor markers can be proteins, conjugated proteins, peptides and carbohydrates.
- <u>Immunohistochemistry</u> a microscopy-based technique that allows selective identification and localization of antigens in cells. IHC selectively identifies antigens (proteins) in cells from tissue by exploiting the principle of antibodies binding specifically to antigens in biological tissues. IHC uses light or fluorescent microscopy to analyze results. IHC is less expensive than flow cytometry.
- <u>Flow Cytometry</u> a laser-based technique that detects and measures the physical and chemical characteristics of a cell population. Flow cytometry can be used to count and sort cells (identify proliferation of cells and type), determine cell characteristics, identify biomarkers and to diagnose/classify certain cancers. It is more precise metric for antigens than histology or IHC testing.
- <u>Cluster of Differentiation (CD) Molecules</u> cell surface molecules used to classify white blood cells that are especially important for diagnosis of lymphomas and leukemias. CD marker antibodies have been widely used for cell sorting, phenotyping, and blood cancer diagnosis and for treatment.
- <u>Immunophenotype</u> uses the CD system to define markers associated with specific cells or conditions
- **Proteomics** provide valuable information on the identity, expression levels, and modification of proteins. For example, cancer proteomics unraveled key information in mechanistic studies on tumor growth and metastasis, which has contributed to the identification of clinically applicable biomarkers as well as therapeutic targets. Proteomics-based technologies have enabled the identification of potential biomarkers and protein expression patterns that can be used to assess tumor prognosis, prediction, tumor classification, and to identify potential responders for specific therapies
- <u>Cytogenetics</u> involves testing samples of tissue, blood, or bone marrow in a laboratory to look for changes in chromosomes, including broken, missing, rearranged, or extra chromosomes. Changes in certain chromosomes may be a sign of a genetic disease or condition or some types of cancer. FISH is common cytogenetics test.
- **DNA Microarray** used to study the extent to which certain genes are turned on or off in cells and tissues. It is used to identify the changes in gene sequences that are most often associated with a particular disease.
- <u>Next Generation Sequencing</u> a large-scale DNA and RNA sequencing technology to determine the order of nucleotides in entire genomes or targeted regions of DNA or RNA in cells and tissues.





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