

Transformation to erythroblastic sarcoma from myeloid neoplasm with *PCM1-JAK2*

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A 32-year-old man with anemia (hemoglobin, 9.9 g/dL) and thrombocytopenia (platelets, $76 \times 10^{\circ}$ /L) had a bone marrow biopsy showing a myeloid neoplasm with *PCM1-JAK2* fusion with left-shifted hyperplasia without increase in blasts, mild megakaryocytic atypia, and marked reticulin fibrosis. A computed tomography scan showed extensive lymphadenopathy and splenomegaly. An axillary lymph node biopsy was performed showing partial effacement by a diffuse infiltrate of large atypical cells with moderate basophilic cytoplasm, round nuclear contours, vesicular chromatin, prominent nucleoli, and evidence of sinusoidal involvement (panel A; hematoxylin and eosin stain, $40 \times$ objective, original magnification $\times 400$). These cells were notably positive for E-cadherin (panel B; $20 \times$ objective, original magnification $\times 200$), glycophorin A (subset, panel C; $20 \times$ objective, original magnification $\times 200$), CD117 (subset, panel D; 20× objective, original magnification ×200), and EMA, and negative for CD45 (panel E; 20× objective, original magnification ×200), CD34 (panel F; 20× objective, original magnification ×200), MPO (panel F inset; 20× objective, original magnification ×200), CD3, CD20, CD30, and TdT, supporting a diagnosis of myeloid sarcoma with erythroblastic differentiation. The diagnosis was subsequently confirmed by fluorescence in situ hybridization testing, which was positive for evidence of a rearrangement involving JAK2.

This represents a unique case of tissue involvement by the patient's known myeloid neoplasm with transformation to erythroblastic sarcoma. Although such myeloid neoplasms have been reported to transform into acute myeloid or lymphoblastic leukemia, transformation into erythroblastic sarcoma has not been previously found.



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