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POSTER ABSTRACTS

614.ACUTE LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIAS: THERAPIES, EXCLUDING TRANSPLANTATION AND CELLULAR IMMUNOTHERAPIES**Survival Analysis of Adults with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in Ecuador**

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Background

Acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) is the second most common acute leukemia in adults. Unfortunately, in Ecuador there are no survival studies in patients ≥ 15 years with ALL, thus, this is the first national report. The aim of the study was to describe clinical-demographic characteristics and overall survival (OS).

Methods

Medical records of 628 patients from 8 reference hospitals in Ecuador with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) aged ≥ 15 years, diagnosed between January/2015 and December/2022, were retrospectively reviewed. A high-risk group was defined as: age ≥ 35 years ; $\geq 30,000/\text{mm}^3$ leukocytes in B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL) or $\geq 100,000/\text{mm}^3$ leukocytes in T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL- T) ; CNS infiltration at diagnosis, and/or if EMR was not reached ($<0.01\%$) negative at the end of induction. If none of these factors were present, it was classified as standard risk. OS and treatment-related mortality were evaluated. Before carrying out this study, the approval of a national research ethics committee was obtained, as well as the approval of the 8 participating centers.

Results

628 patients with ALL were included in the study. Summary of clinical and demographic data Table 1. In this cohort of patients, 9 different regimens of intensive chemotherapy were used. 454/517 (87.8%) patients with B-ALL were considered high risk. 595/628 (94.5%) patients received intensive chemotherapy. 150/595 (25.2%) and 54/595 (9.0%) patients died during the induction and consolidation phase respectively, reaching a mortality related to the treatment of 34.2%. In 290/401 (72.3%) with B-ALL achieved a complete response (CR) after induction, also 199/401 (49.1%) patients achieved minimal residual disease (MRD) negative ($<0.01\%$). 16/235 (6.8%) patients with B-ALL considered high risk who achieved CR received allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT). 32/35 (91.4%) patients with T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (T-ALL) received intensive chemotherapy, of which 17/24 (70.8%) achieved CR, MRD negative ($<0.01\%$), in 8/20 (40.0%) and 3/17 (17.6%) who achieved CR received HCT.

The median OS was 12 months (95% CI 9.8-14.1) with a 5-year OS of 25.6%. The median OS for intensive chemotherapy patients with B-ALL was 12 months (95% CI 9.8 - 14.1) with a 5-year OS of 25.8% and 8 months (95% CI 5.9 - 10.0) with a 5-year OS of 23.5% for T-ALL. The 5-year OS for patients with HSCT was 78.4% (median survival not reached). The median OS for patients with B-ALL who received intensive high-risk chemotherapy was 12 months (95% CI 9.7-14.2) while median survival was not reached in the standard-risk group ($p < 0.01$). Figure 1. In patients with ALL-B, regimens with or without L-asparaginase

achieved a 5-year OS of 26.4% vs 22.9% (p=0.588), respectively. In multivariate analysis for patients with ALL-B on intensive chemotherapy, age [HR 1.02 (95% CI 1.00 - 1.04) p=0.014] was significantly associated with OS, as well as those patients who did not achieve negative an MRD [HR 1.82 (95% CI 1.23-2.69) p=<0.01]. Otherwise, the adolescent and young adults (AYA) group, BCR:ABL fusion, CNS infiltration and leukocyte number at debut, L-asparaginase chemotherapy regimens, and being classified as high-risk group did not show statistical differences associated with OS .

Conclusion

The reported OS rates in this cohort are considerably low when compared to with international available data, being mainly negatively affected by the high treatment-related mortality rate, and the small number of patients who reach a HSCT.

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Table 1. Demographic Clinical Data of Patients with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

| Variable | | n | (%) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----|--------|
| All patients | | 628 | (100) |
| Median Age in years | 30 (IQR:19 - 47) | | |
| Age group in years | 15 - 39 | 395 | (62,9) |
| | 40 - 64 | 181 | (28,8) |
| | 65 or older | 52 | (8,3) |
| Sex | Female | 327 | (52,1) |
| | Male | 301 | (47,9) |
| Linage | B-cell | 593 | (94,4) |
| | T-cell | 35 | (5,6) |
| BCR:ABL fusion | | 462 | (100) |
| | Negative | 402 | (87,0) |
| | Positive | 61 | (13,0) |
| KTM2A rearrangement | | 114 | (100) |
| | Negative | 100 | (87,7) |
| | Positive | 14 | (12,3) |
| CNS infiltration at debut | | 537 | (100) |
| | No | 413 | (76,9) |
| | Yes | 124 | (23,1) |
| Treatment protocol | | 586 | (100) |
| | BFM | 287 | (49,0) |
| | Hyper-CVAD | 141 | (24,1) |
| | PETHEMA LAL 2011 | 60 | (10,2) |
| | CALGB 8811 | 46 | (7,8) |
| | Oros* | 52 | (8,9) |
| Karyotype | | 511 | (100) |
| | Normal | 326 | (63,8) |
| | Other clonal alterations | 68 | (13,3) |
| | Non-assessable metaphases | 52 | (10,2) |
| | Hyperdiploid | 36 | (7,0) |
| | Low hypodiploid | 15 | (2,9) |
| | Complex | 14 | (2,7) |
| Therapy with L-asparaginase | | 590 | (100) |
| | No | 164 | (27,8) |
| | Yes | 426 | (72,2) |

IQ (Interquartile Range), CNS (central nervous system)
 * The following chemotherapy schemes were included: GATLA, DQTM, Total XV, Flag-Ida, Failler, Rituximab + Hyper-CVAD, Hyper-CVAD + Asparaginase.

Figure 1

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