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## ORAL ABSTRACTS

## 613.ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIAS: CLINICAL AND EPIDEMIOLOGICAL

**Feasibility, Safety and Predictors of Outcomes of Patients with Newly Diagnosed Acute Myeloid Leukemia Discharged "Early" after Intensive Induction Therapy**

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**Background:** Patients (pts) treated with intensive induction therapy for newly diagnosed acute myeloid leukemia (AML) traditionally remain admitted until an absolute neutrophil count (ANC)  $>0.5 \times 10^3/L$ . Although a small number of centers reported on pt discharge with ANC  $<0.5 \times 10^3/L$  via an "early" discharge (DC) program (EDP) post-intensive induction, little is known about the safety and outcomes among this group of pts, including the rates and predictors of post-DC complications (e.g., febrile neutropenia (FN), microbiologically proven infection) and both early- and long-term outcomes. We sought to describe our experience with an EDP and identify predictors of differential outcomes.

**Methods:** We conducted a single-center, retrospective study of pts with newly-diagnosed AML admitted to Yale Cancer Center (YCC) for intensive induction during December 2014-January 2023. Re-induced patients were excluded. Patients were eligible for the EDP if they: 1) were afebrile  $\times 7$  days, 2) required no parenteral therapies, 3) required transfusion support less than daily, 4) lived within 60 minutes of YCC with "average" traffic, and 5) had a dedicated care giver available 24 hours per day with reliable transportation to/from clinic. Chi-square and Wilcoxon rank-sum tests were applied to categorical and continuous variables, respectively. Overall survival (OS) was estimated using the Kaplan-Meier method and was compared using log-rank test. Statistical significance was determined by  $p$ -value  $<0.05$ .

**Results:** A total of 188 pts were evaluated. Amongst this population, 99 (52.7%) pts were DC under the EDP, while 89 (47.3%) were not. To remove confounding from peri-DC ANC kinetics, we focused on pts DC with an ANC  $<0.1 \times 10^3/L$  ( $n=53$ , "EDP pts") and compared them with non-EDP pts (DC ANC  $>0.5 \times 10^3/L$ ). There were no significant differences in age, sex, ECOG performance status (PS), baseline LVEF on echocardiography or other comorbidities. With regards to disease-specific factors, there was no difference in pre-induction blood counts (e.g., WBC 7.2 vs. 8.1,  $p=0.610$ ), serum creatinine, uric acid, lactate dehydrogenase, AML subtype, or disease biology e.g., karyotypic or molecular features (Table 1).

Pts received 7+3 without (47%) or with (27%) other therapy, while 22% received liposomal daunorubicin/cytarabine. There were no differences in the rates of regimens used between EDP and non-EDP pts. The incidence of induction-related complications like FN (81.1% vs 89.9%,  $p=0.220$ ), DIC, TLS, and bleeding were similar between groups, although there was a trend toward more documented infection among non-EDP pts (48.3% vs 30.2%,  $p=0.052$ ). Findings on the D14 marrow (performed in 79% of pts) were similar between groups (chemoablation,  $p=0.131$ ; D14 blast %,  $p=0.546$ ).

Median days admitted from induction to DC was nearly a week less for EDP pts (22 [interquartile range (IQR): 19-29] vs 28 days [IQR: 25-32],  $p<0.0001$ ). Amongst EDP patients, 12 (22.6%) were re-admitted, 10 (83%) due to FN with 4 of these pts having an infectious source identified. The median duration of re-admission was 6.5 days (IQR: 4.5-13). When considering re-admissions prior to ANC/count recovery or initiation of consolidation, EDP pts still had lower time spent in hospital prior to eventual count recovery (24 vs 28,  $p<0.0001$ ).

ANC at DC did not predict OS amongst the larger cohort ( $n=188$ ,  $p=0.949$ ), but was associated with re-admission amongst pts DC with ANC  $<0.5$  in univariate analysis ( $p=0.02$ ). Time to DC and ANC at DC were strongly associated amongst the larger cohort ( $n=188$ ,  $p=0.01$  from linear regression) and pts DC with ANC  $<0.5$  ( $p<0.00001$  from linear regression)(Figure 1).

Although non-EDP pts had a shorter time to first response (33 vs 36 days,  $p=0.020$ ), there were no differences in rates of CR/CRi/CRh (73.0% vs 60.4%,  $p=0.167$ ) when compared with EDP pts. Similarly, there were no differences in early (60- and 90-day) mortality, or median OS between EDP and non-EDP pts (32.3 vs 26.4 months,  $p=0.695$ )(Table and Figure 1).

**Conclusions:** Our study shows that pts treated intensively for newly-diagnosed AML and meeting several criteria can be safely DC prior to count recovery without detriment to early mortality or OS. EDP pts spent up to a week more out of hospital when compared with non-EDP counterparts. Healthcare utilization, cost effectiveness and patient satisfaction evaluations of the EDP are underway.

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Table 1. Baseline characteristics and outcomes for patients with ANC at discharge  $\leq 0.1$  versus  $\geq 0.5$

	ANC at discharge $\leq 0.1$ (n=53)	ANC at discharge $\geq 0.5$ (n=89)	p-value
Age at diagnosis, median (IQR)	68 (44 - 65)	61 (48 - 66)	0.176 †
Sex, n (%)			0.383 †
Female	25 (47.2%)	34 (38.2%)	
Male	28 (52.8%)	55 (61.8%)	
Race / Ethnicity, n (%)			0.610 †
White	43 (81.1%)	67 (75.3%)	
African American	4 (7.5%)	8 (9.0%)	
Hispanic	5 (9.4%)	5 (5.6%)	
Other	1 (1.9%)	6 (6.7%)	
ECOG PS, n (%)			0.844 †
0	33 (62.3%)	50 (56.2%)	
1	17 (32.1%)	31 (34.8%)	
2	2 (3.8%)	6 (6.7%)	
3	1 (1.9%)	2 (2.2%)	
Baseline ECHO, mean (SD)	0.621 (0.042)	0.629 (0.060)	0.439 †
AML type, n (%)			0.584 †
De novo	35 / 53 (66.0%)	64 / 89 (71.9%)	
Secondary	12 / 53 (22.6%)	20 / 89 (22.5%)	1.000 †
Therapy-related	6 / 53 (11.3%)	6 / 89 (6.7%)	0.524 †
Karyotype, n (%)			0.657 †
Normal	21 / 53 (39.6%)	40 / 89 (44.9%)	
Complex	7 / 53 (13.2%)	13 / 89 (14.6%)	1.000 †
CBF	6 / 53 (11.3%)	7 / 89 (7.9%)	0.697 †
ASXL1, n (%)	4 / 53 (8.4%)	8 / 83 (9.6%)	0.913 †
RUNX1, n (%)	3 / 53 (5.7%)	11 / 83 (13.3%)	0.256 †
NPM1, n (%)	12 / 53 (22.9%)	23 / 84 (27.4%)	0.676 †
TET2, n (%)	4 / 53 (7.5%)	14 / 83 (16.9%)	0.192 †
CEBP $\alpha$ , n (%)			1.000 †
wt	0 / 53 (0.0%)	1 / 83 (1.2%)	
mut	3 / 53 (5.7%)	4 / 83 (4.8%)	1.000 †
FLT3, n (%)			1.000 †
ITD	13 / 53 (24.5%)	21 / 84 (25.0%)	
TKD	2 / 53 (3.8%)	10 / 84 (11.9%)	0.184 †
IDH, n (%)			0.227 †
IDH1	1 / 53 (1.9%)	7 / 83 (8.4%)	
IDH2	6 / 53 (11.3%)	15 / 83 (16.1%)	0.413 †
DNMT3A, n (%)	9 / 53 (18.9%)	14 / 83 (16.9%)	1.000 †
PTPN11, n (%)	4 / 53 (7.5%)	1 / 83 (1.2%)	0.147 †
RAS, n (%)			0.869 †
KRAS	11 / 53 (20.8%)	15 / 83 (18.1%)	
NRAS	5 / 53 (9.4%)	4 / 83 (4.8%)	0.483 †
Splicing mut, n (%)			0.550 †
SRFBP2	5 / 53 (9.4%)	12 / 83 (14.5%)	
SF3B1	3 / 53 (5.7%)	8 / 83 (9.6%)	0.612 †
U2AF1	5 / 53 (9.4%)	7 / 83 (8.4%)	1.000 †
TP53	6 / 53 (11.3%)	6 / 83 (6.6%)	0.960 †
Induction regimen, n (%)			0.146 †
Vyvanse	14 (26.4%)	17 (19.1%)	
7+3	19 (35.8%)	48 (53.9%)	
7+3+FLT3i	13 (24.5%)	13 (14.6%)	
7+3+GD	6 (11.3%)	6 (6.7%)	
Other	1 (1.9%)	5 (5.6%)	
Baseline Lab Data			
Cr at D1, median (IQR)	0.85 (0.68 - 0.98)	0.83 (0.67 - 1.00)	0.965 †
Uric acid at D1, median (IQR)	3.7 (2.8 - 5.2)	4.2 (2.8 - 5.2)	0.918 †
LDM at D1, median (IQR)	358 (257.5 - 450.5)	360.5 (235.8 - 762.3)	0.895 †
WBC at D1, median (IQR)	7.2 (2.1 - 25.5)	8.1 (2.7 - 30.7)	0.610 †
Hgb at D1, median (IQR)	7.9 (6.9 - 8.9)	7.9 (7.3 - 9.2)	0.398 †
PLT at D1, median (IQR)	46.0 (27.0 - 85.0)	60.0 (32.0 - 97.0)	0.189 †
Induction complications			
Felicit neutropenia	43 (81.1%)	80 (89.9%)	0.230 †
Documented infection	16 (30.2%)	43 (48.3%)	0.052 †
DIC	3 (5.7%)	5 (5.6%)	1.000 †
Bleeding	8 (15.1%)	25 (28.1%)	0.111 †
Tumor lysis syndrome	2 (3.8%)	11 (12.4%)	0.157 †
Day 14 marrow evaluation			
If D14 marrow evaluation performed			
Chemoablated	31 / 42 (73.8%)	52 / 70 (74.3%)	0.131
Residual disease	10	17	
Inconclusive	1	1	
D14BM blast %, median (IQR)	2.5 (2.0 - 5.0)	2.5 (2.0 - 10.0)	0.546 †
Time to first response, days (IQR)	35 (31 - 42)	33 (28 - 38)	0.602 †
First response			0.072 †
CR	28 (52.8%)	63 (70.8%)	
CRi	3 (5.7%)	2 (2.2%)	
CRh	1 (1.9%)	0 (0.0%)	
MLFg	6 (11.3%)	4 (4.5%)	
PR	1 (1.9%)	4 (4.5%)	
Stable	12 (22.6%)	14 (15.7%)	
Progressive	0 (0.0%)	2 (2.2%)	
Clinical outcomes			
Days admitted pre-discharge, median (IQR)	22 (19 - 29)	28 (25 - 32)	< 0.0001 †
Days admitted pre-recovery, median (IQR)	24 (20 - 30)	28 (25 - 32)	< 0.0001 †
Early mortality			0.717 †
$\leq 60$ days from induction	0 (0%)	2 (2.2%)	
$\leq 90$ days from induction	1 (1.9%)	3 (3.4%)	1.000 †
Median OS with 95% CI, having accounted for censoring	32.3 months (12.1 - 93.9)	26.4 months (17.4 - 73.9)	0.696 *

† Wilcoxon rank sum test for each continuous variable  
 ‡ Chi-square test for each contingency table  
 \* Log-rank test of survival curves between groups

Figure 1. Overall survival by discharge ANC  $\geq 500$  vs  $\leq 100 \times 10^3/L$

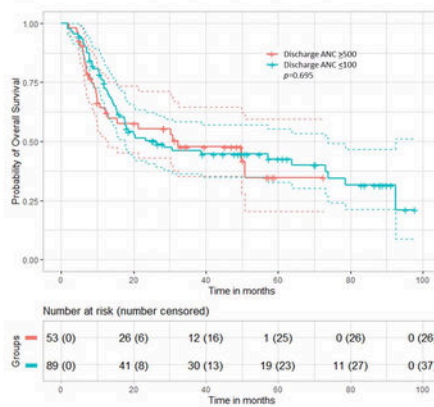


Figure 1

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