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A Phase II Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of Selinexor in Patients with Myelofibrosis Refractory or Intolerant to JAK1/2 Inhibitors (ESSENTIAL study)

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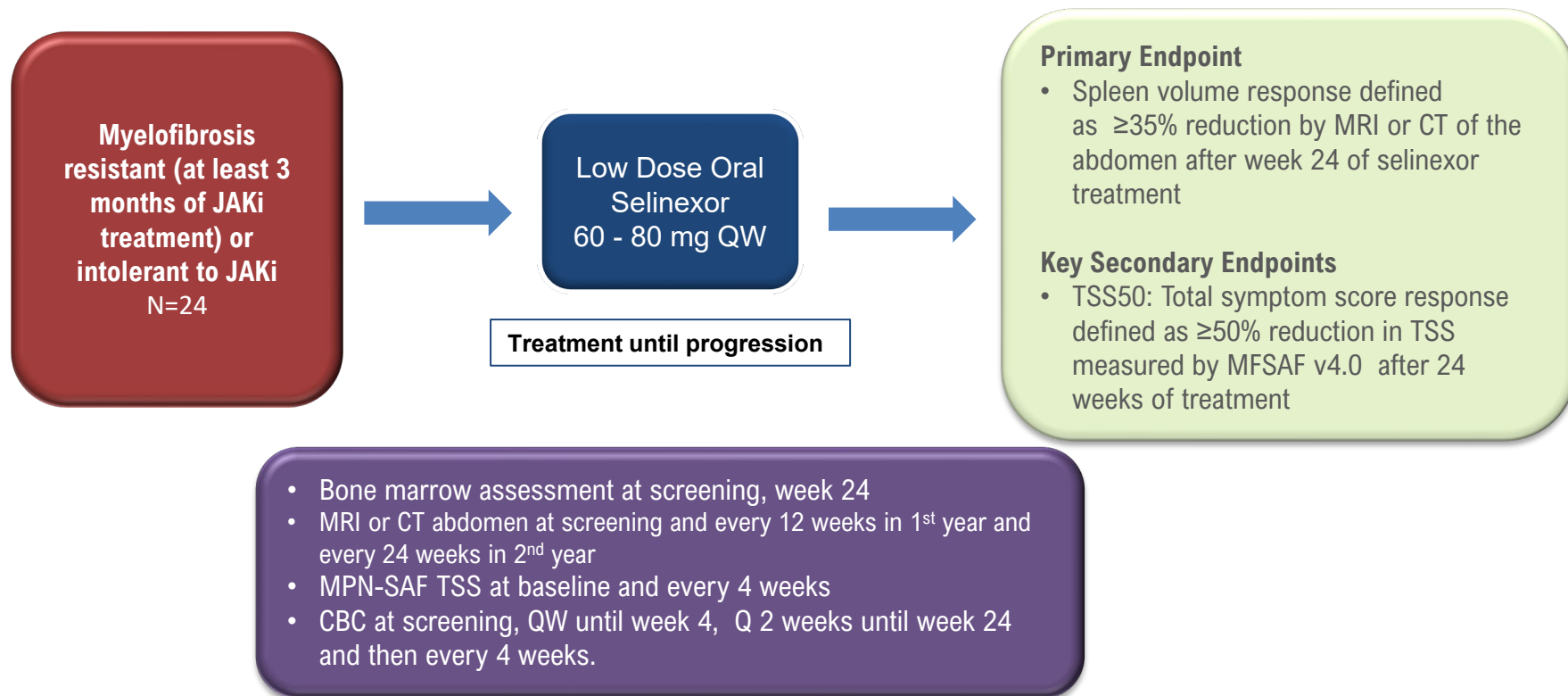
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Background: Nuclear–Cytoplasmic Transport (NCT) is a Novel Therapeutic Target in Myelofibrosis (MF)

- JAK inhibitors (JAKi), ruxolitinib and fedratinib reduce spleen volume, alleviate constitutional symptoms and improve quality of life in MF patients
- However, some patients demonstrate inadequate response to JAKi or develop progressive increase in spleen size after an initial response
- Anemia and thrombocytopenia frequently limit JAKi dose intensity and renders many patients ineligible
- Novel approaches and new class of therapeutics are needed for patients with JAKi refractory or intolerant disease
- Selinexor is an oral, small molecule, selective inhibitor of nuclear export (SINE) compound that specifically blocks the karyopherin protein exportin 1 (XPO1)
- We have previously reported that *JAK2*^{V617F} mutant HEL and SET-2 cells are exquisitely sensitive to selinexor. Selinexor has selective activity against CD34⁺ primary MF cells compared to normal cord blood cells (Yan et al, Clinical Cancer Research 2019)

ESSENTIAL Study Design



Key Eligibility Criteria

- Diagnosis of primary MF, post-essential thrombocytosis MF, or post-polycythemia-vera MF
- Prior treatment with JAKi with any of the following:
 - Resistance to JAKi after ≥ 3 months of treatment: palpable spleen ≥ 10 cm OR palpable spleen ≥ 5 cm with active symptoms of MF
 - Intolerance to JAKi treatment: ≥ 3 grade non-hematologic adverse events (AEs) or ≥ 2 AEs requiring JAKi discontinuation AND palpable spleen ≥ 5 cm
- Hemoglobin ≥ 7 g/dL, platelets $> 30,000/\mu\text{L}$ and absolute neutrophil count $> 500/\mu\text{L}$
- No Prior exposure to a SINE compound, including selinexor
- Ruxolitinib or other JAKi discontinued at least 3 days (5 half-lives) prior to study treatment to reduce the risk of withdrawal symptoms

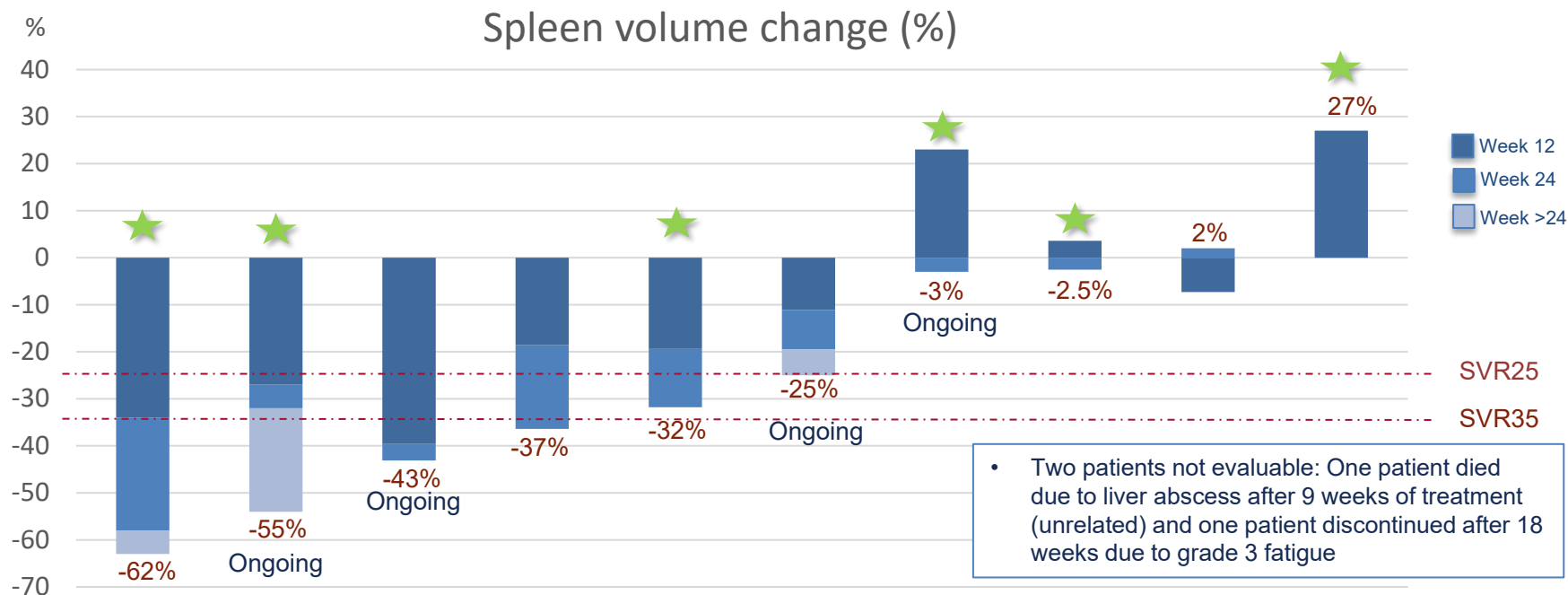
ESSENTIAL Baseline Demographics

- Between May 2019 and February 2021, 12 patients (pts) enrolled (7 men and 5 women)
- Median age 68 years (range 43 to 80)
- Median duration of JAKi therapy was 22 months (range 0.5 to 96 months)
- 92% (11 pts) had MF resistant to prior JAKi
- Median spleen volume at screening was 1454 cm³ (range 835 to 5792 cm³)
- Driver mutations were *JAK2* in 7 (58.3%), *CALR* in 4 (33.3%) and *MPL* in 1 (8.3%).
- 67% (8 pts) had at least one high risk molecular mutation
- Selinexor starting dose was 80 mg weekly in the first 6 pts and 60 mg for subsequent pts

ID	Driver mutation	Additional mutations	Prior treatments	Duration of prior JAKi therapy (months)	JAKi refractory or intolerant
01-001	JAK2	ASXL1, U2AF1	ruxolitinib, ruxolitinib + azacitidine	9	R
01-003	JAK2	IDH1	ruxolitinib	84	R
01-004	CALR	SF3B1, ASXL1	danazol	3	R
01-005	JAK2	SF3B1	ruxolitinib	20	R
01-006	MPL	SRSF2, RUNX1	danazol		
			pegylated interferon-alfa, ruxolitinib, ruxolitinib + navitoclax, azacitidine	28	R
01-007	CALR	KRAS, SRSF2	ruxolitinib, pacritinib	84	R
01-008	JAK2	none	ruxolitinib	4	R
01-009	CALR	ASXL1, KRAS, DNMT3A, NRAS	ruxolitinib, ruxolitinib + navitoclax	96	R
01-010	CALR	SF3B1, ZRSR2	ruxolitinib	3	R
01-011	JAK2	SRSF2, GNAS	ruxolitinib	0.5	I
01-012	JAK2	TET2	ruxolitinib	24	R
01-013	JAK2	IDH1	ruxolitinib, ruxolitinib + navitoclax, navitoclax	46	R

Note: 01-002 was a screen failure.

Single Agent Selinexor resulted in robust SVR35 rate of 40% at ≥ 24 weeks in MF resistant or intolerant to JAKi





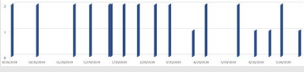

SVR35 at week 24 = 30%; SVR35 at \geq week 24 = 40% (4/10 pts)

SVR25 at week 24 = 50%; SVR25 at \geq week 24 = 60% (6/10 pts)

★ Presence of high-risk mutation (ASXL1, EZH2, IDH1/2, SRSF2 or U2AF1)



Hemoglobin improvement is observed in 4 out of 8 pts with hemoglobin < 10 g/dL at screening

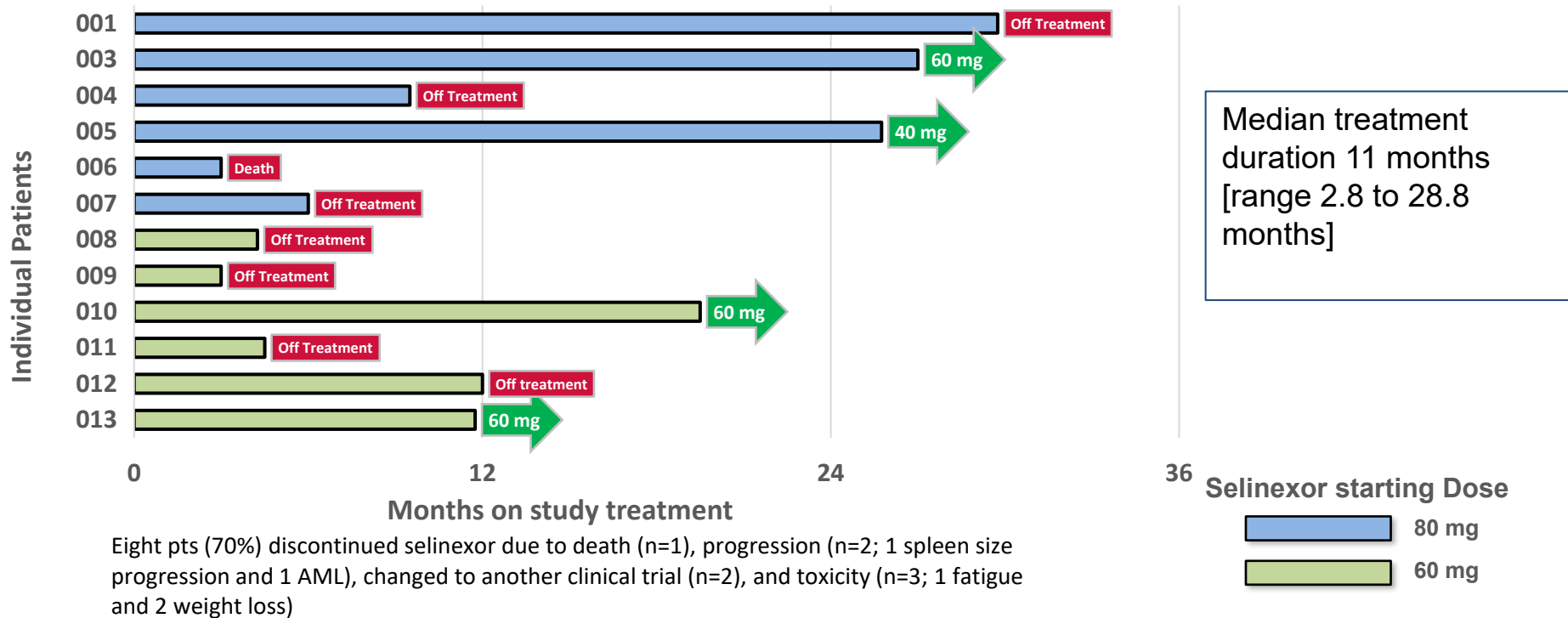
Patient	Baseline	Best response	Transfusion requirements
01-001	TD	Became TI	
01-003	TD (<6u/ 12 weeks)	Became TI	
01-004	TD	Unchanged	
01-010	TD	Unchanged	
01-011	TD	Unchanged	(chart not available)

TD to TI occurred in 40%
(2 out of 5)

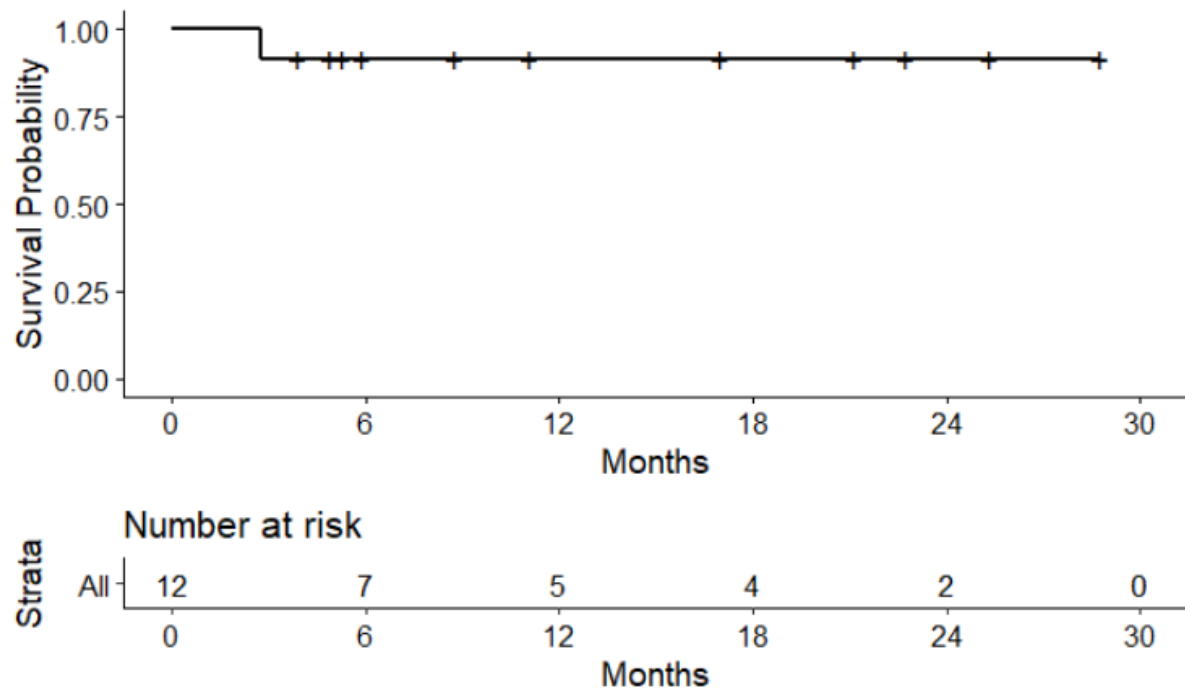
Patient	At screening	Best response	Anemia response
01-005	Hgb 8.7	Hgb 13.7	2.0 g/dl increase
01-008	Hgb 9.3	Hgb 10.5	1.2 g/dl increase
01-012	Hgb 9.7	Hgb 11.8	2.1 g/dl increase

Hemoglobin increased by 2g/dl in 67%
(2 out of 3)

Swimmers Plot: Durable responses with long term therapy beyond 2 years



Overall Survival Status: current 2-year survival probability is 91.7%



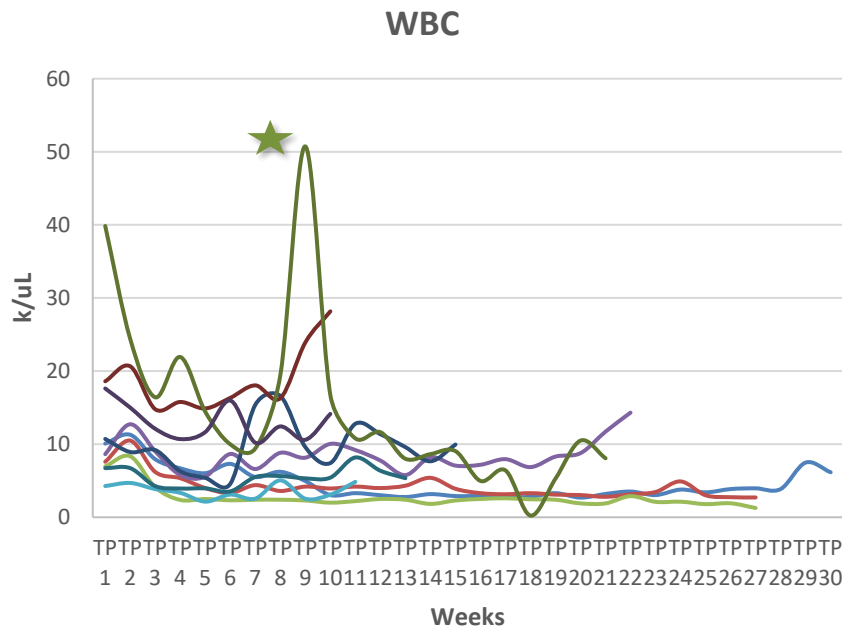
Median OS not reached after a median follow up of 11.1 months [range 3 to 30 months].

The 2-year survival probability is 91.7%

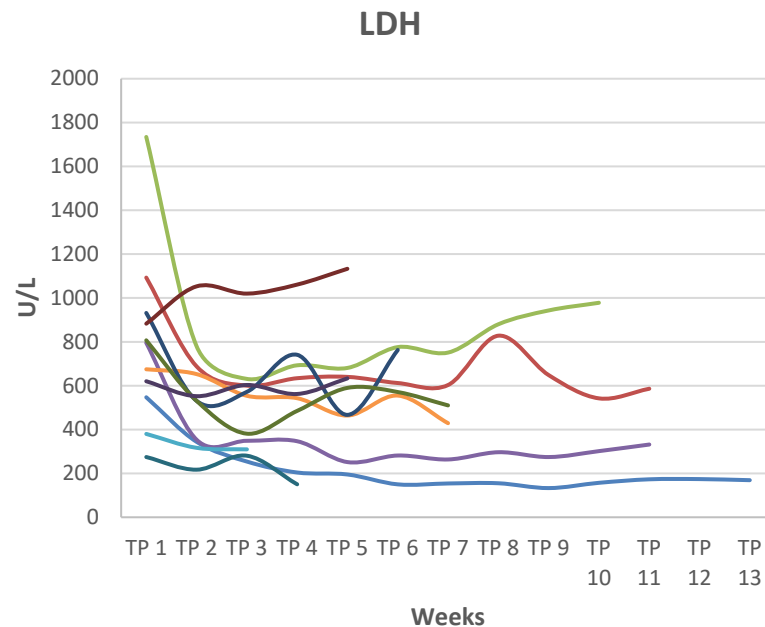












Selinexor treatment resulted in rapid decrease of total WBC and LDH concentrations

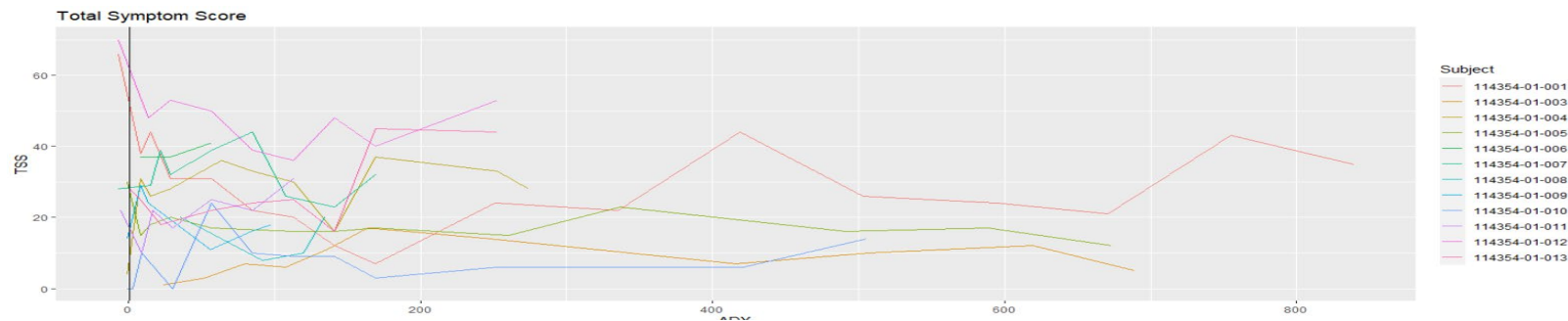


★ Patient 010: Reactive leukocytosis secondary to autoimmune hemolytic anemia (unrelated to selinexor)



MPN-SAF symptom score changes on selinexor

Patient	Score at screening		Best response
01-001	66		7
01-004	4		30
01-005	30		15
01-007	28		30
01-009	14		11
01-011	22		10
01-012	70		39
01-013	28		18



Patient 003, 006, 008 excluded due to missing TSS score at baseline. Patient 10 excluded due to score 0 at baseline

Safety

Treatment Emergent Adverse Events ¹	Selinexor 80 or 60 mg weekly (N = 12)		
Non-Hematologic	Grade 1-2	Grade 3 and 4	Grade 5
Weight loss	3 (25%)	1 (8%)	-
Fatigue	4 (33%)	4 (33%)	-
Dyspnea and Hypoxia	1 (8%)	2 (17%)	-
Hypertension	-	2 (17%)	-
Dizziness	3 (25%)	2 (17%)	-
Flu like symptoms	2 (17%)	2 (17%)	-
Sepsis	-	-	1 (8%)
Hematologic		Grade 3 or 4	Grade 5
Anemia	-	4 (33%)	-
Thrombocytopenia	-	2 (17%)	-

¹TEAE occurred in >1 patient

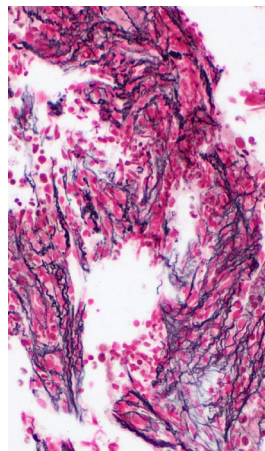
- Ten pts required dose reduction due to fatigue (n=1), anemia (n=1), thrombo-cytopenia (n=2), abdominal pain (n=1) and weight loss (n=4)

Reduction in marrow fibrosis at long term follow up supports potential disease modification

- Reduction in marrow reticulin fibrosis from **MF grade 3 to MF grade 1** at week 72 (patient 001-005)
- No change in marrow reticulin or collagen fibrosis grade was observed at week 24 (n=10)
- No changes in $JAK2^{V617F}$ allele burden was observed in pts with $JAK2$ mutated MF at week 24

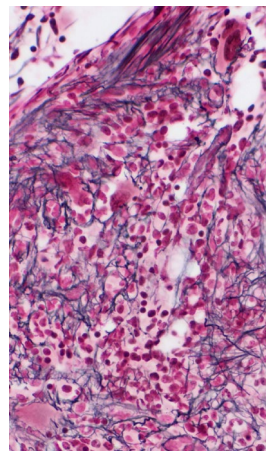
001-005: Reticulin Fibrosis (reticulin special stain, 200X)

Screening



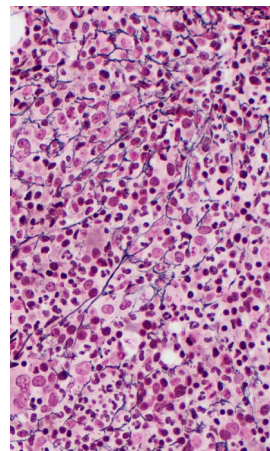
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Week 24



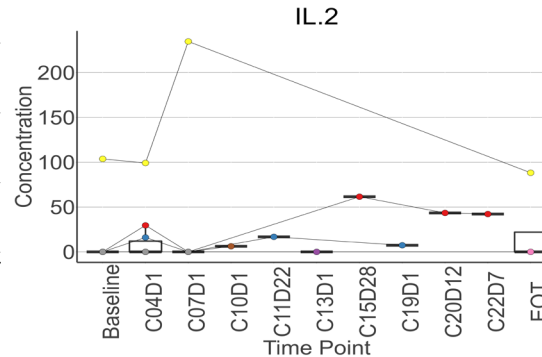
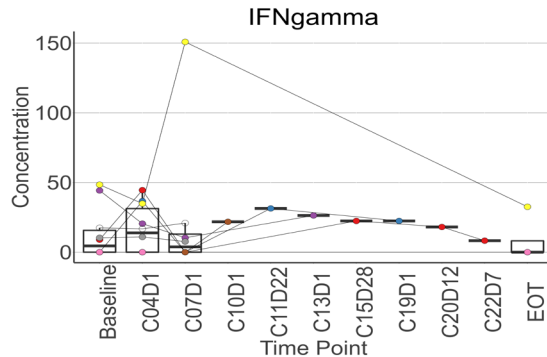
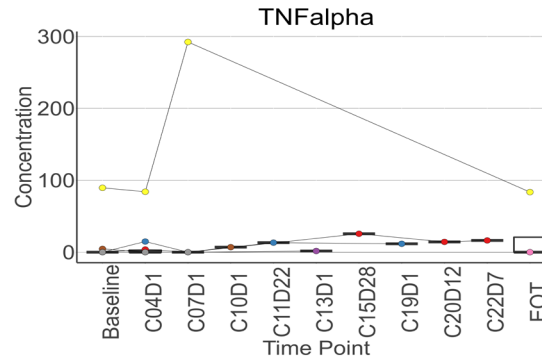
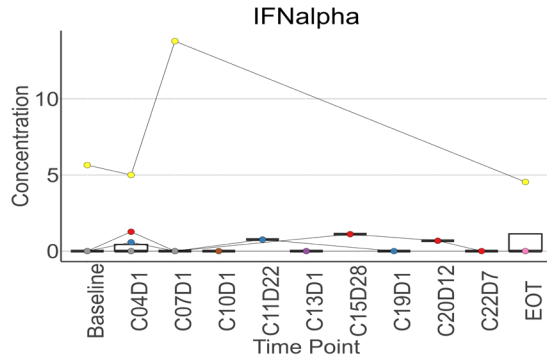
MF grade 3

Week 72



MF grade 1

Plasma inflammatory cytokines



Box plots demonstrating concentrations of representative cytokines at screening and during selinexor treatment. Higher concentrations of cytokines were observed in pt 001-009 (yellow circle) who had progressive disease at week 12.

Conclusions

- Once weekly, low dose oral selinexor demonstrated robust single agent activity with sustained spleen responses in JAKi refractory MF
- Responses were durable with long term therapy beyond 2 years
- Improvement in anemia and symptom scores were observed
- Promising overall survival (median not reached and 2-year survival probability is 91.7%) in patients with historical poor OS
- Reduction in marrow fibrosis with long-term selinexor supports potential disease modification
- Long-term use of selinexor is safe with manageable side effect profile
- Two registration studies are currently underway in JAKi naïve (selinexor + ruxolitinib ; NCT04562389) and previously treated MF patients (selinexor alone; NCT04562870)

