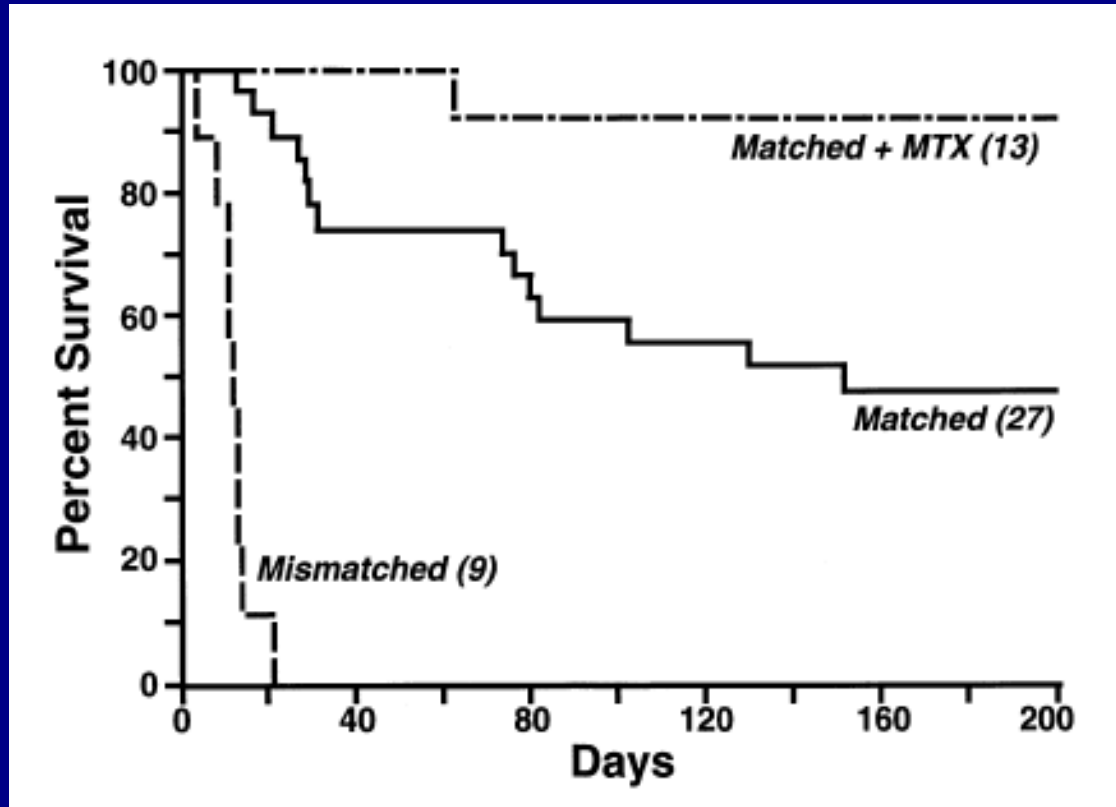




AML: Transplant or ChemoTherapy?

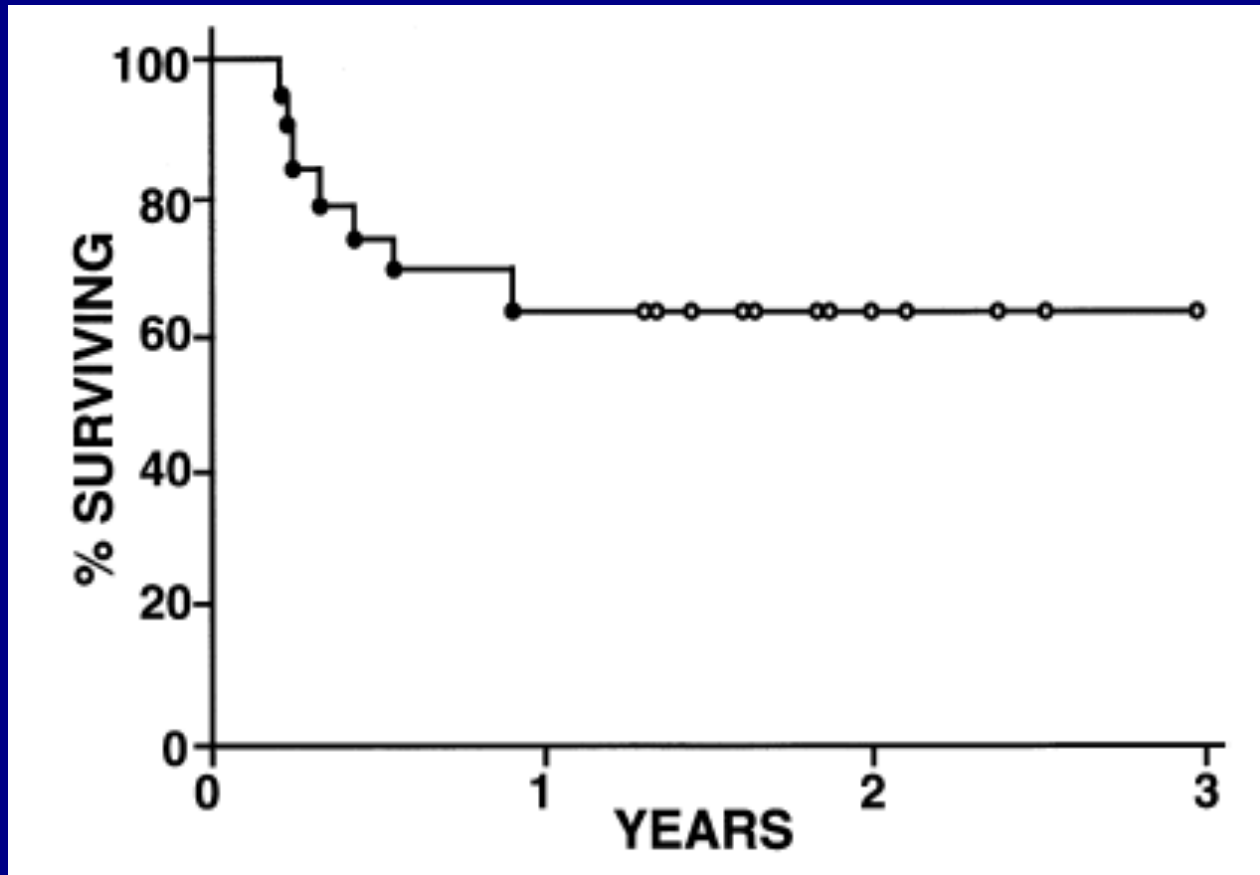


1960's: Importance of HLA type in Animal Models



Survival of Dogs Given 1000 RAD TBI and a Marrow Infusion from a Littermate Matched or Mismatched for Dog Leucocyte Antigens (Epstein 1968, Storb 1971)

1970's: HLA-identical Sibling as a Curative Therapy in CR 1 given Cy-TBI and (n=19)

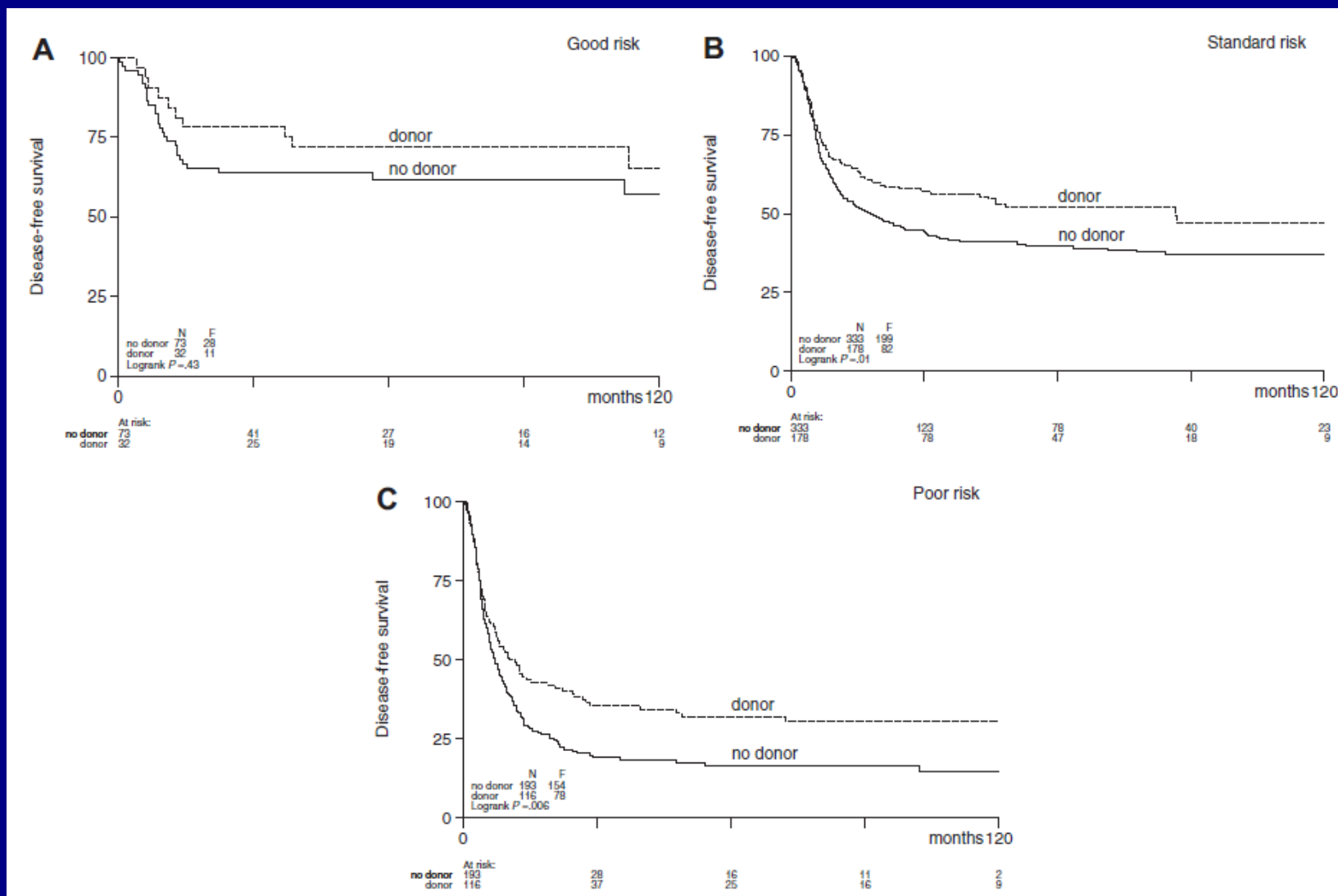


Thomas, NEJM, 301, 597, 1979

AML: Currently effective modalities of RX

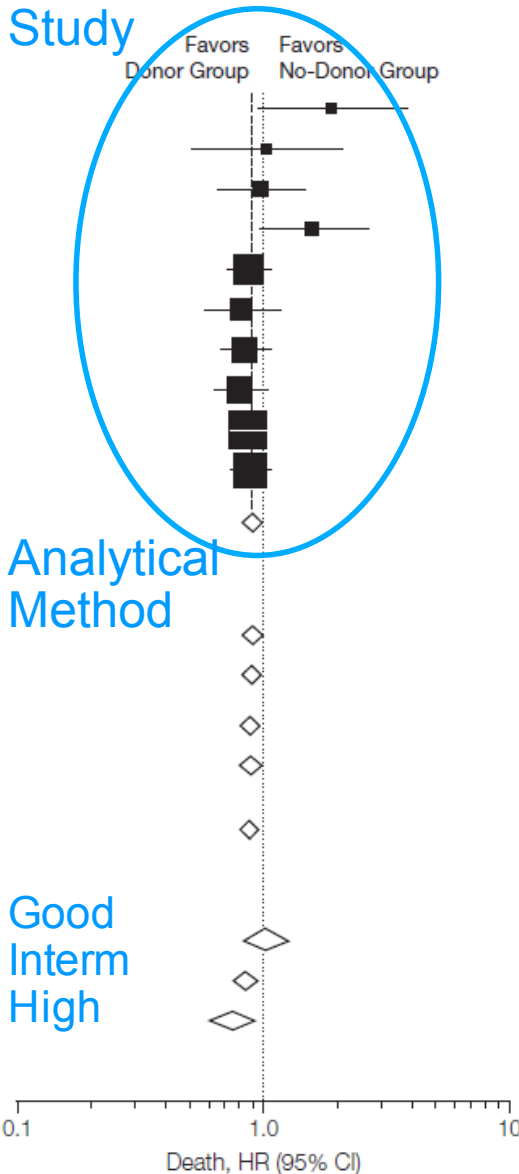
- Cytotoxic chemotherapy
- Chemo +/- radiotherapy + allogeneic donor cells

Results of a HOVON/SAKK donor versus no-donor analysis of myeloablative HLA-identical sibling stem cell transplantation in first remission acute myeloid leukemia in young and middle-aged adults: benefits for whom?



Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation for Acute Myeloid Leukemia in First Complete Remission

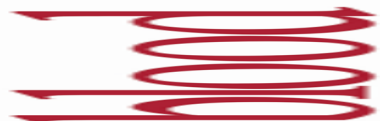
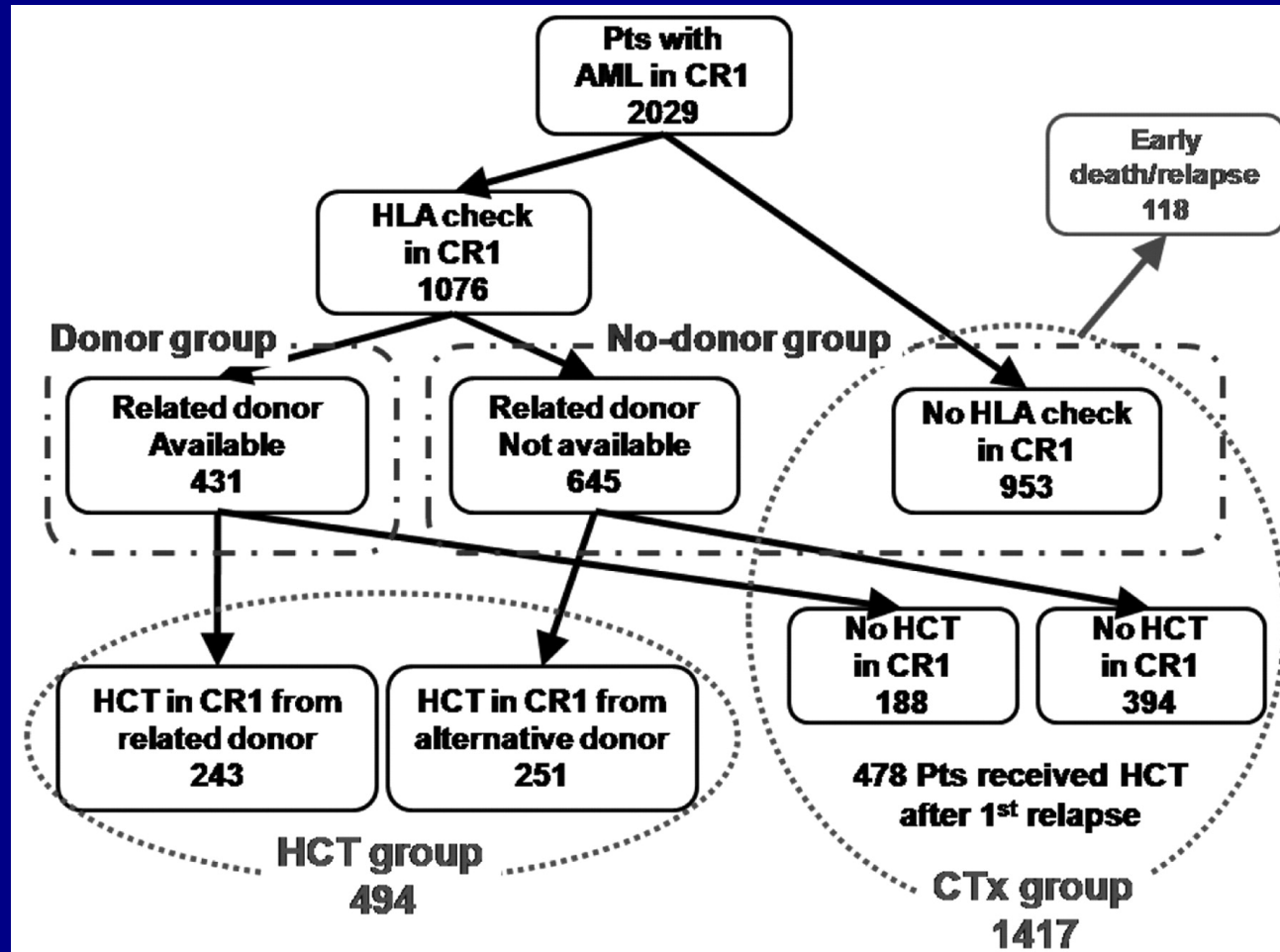
Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Prospective Clinical Trials



24 prospective trials- over 5,000 patients

- Allo transplant beneficial in poor and intermediate risk, but not good risk AML
- There are very few situations where allo transplant is inferior!

A Markov decision analysis of allo SCT vs chemo in AML CR1



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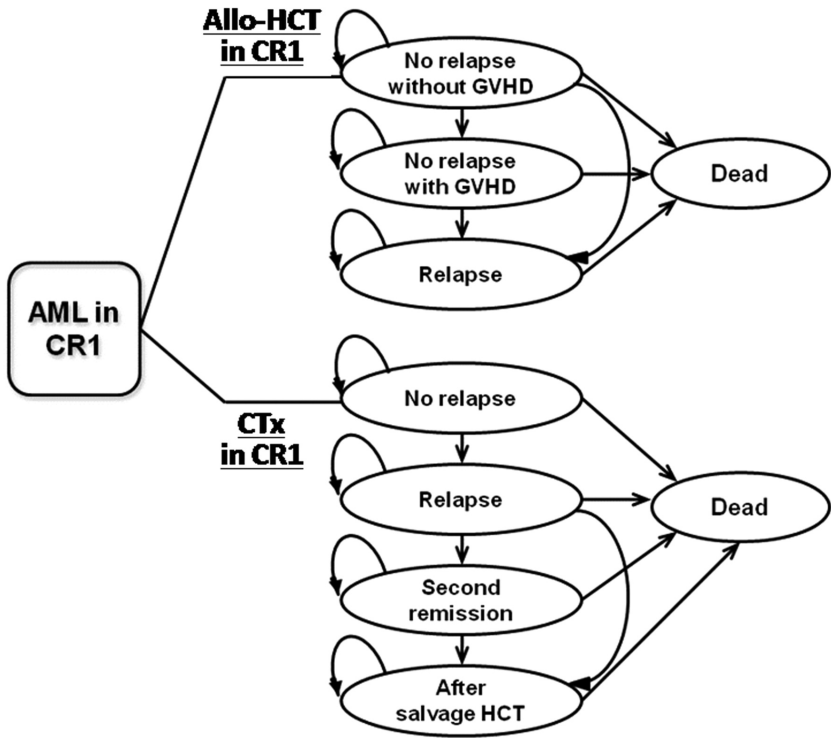
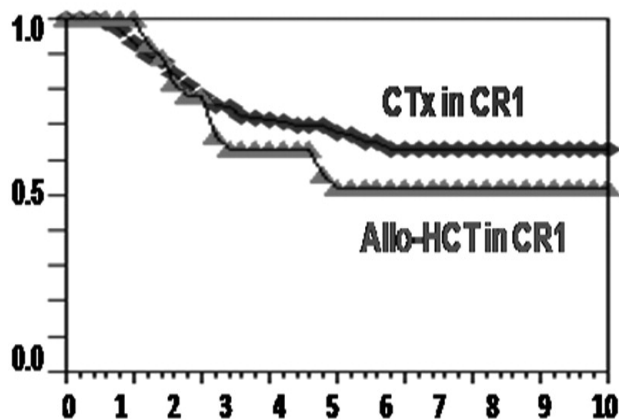
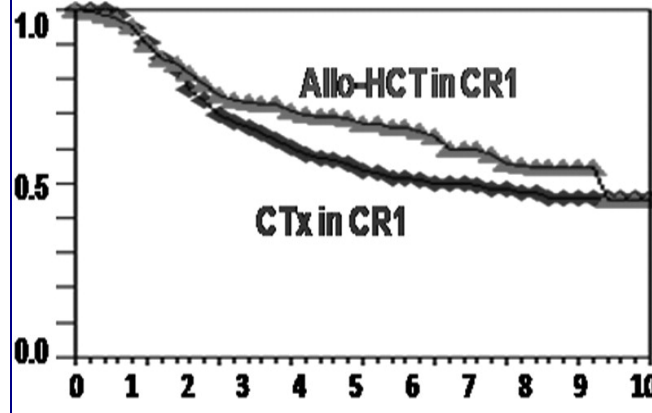


Table 1. Quality-of-life utilities

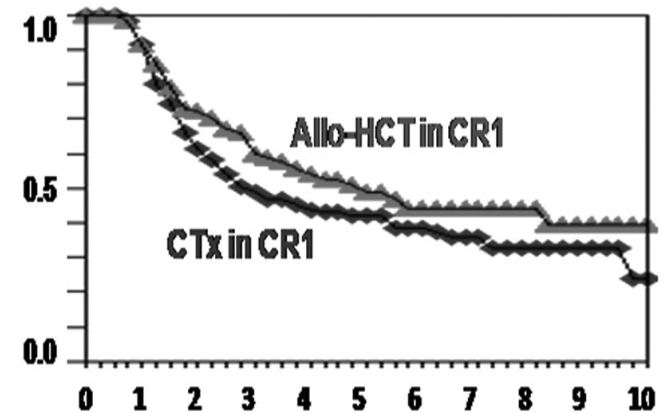
	Median	Range
Allo-HCT in CR1		
No relapse without GVHD	0.90	0.60-1.00
No relapse with GVHD	0.60	0.40-0.80
Relapse	0.30	0.20-0.70
Chemotherapy in CR1		
No relapse	0.90	0.80-1.00
Relapse	0.50	0.20-0.80
Second remission	0.80	0.40-0.95
After salvage allo-HCT	0.66	0.10-1.00



Favorable



Intermediate



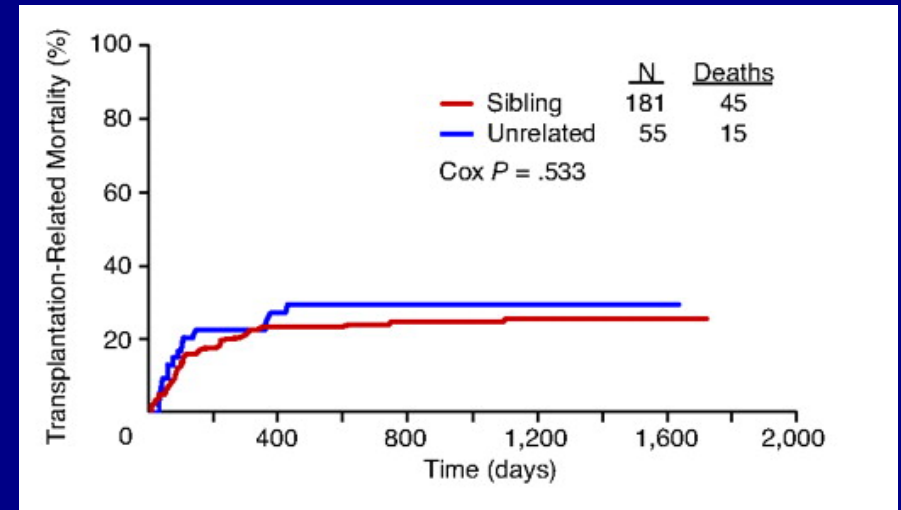
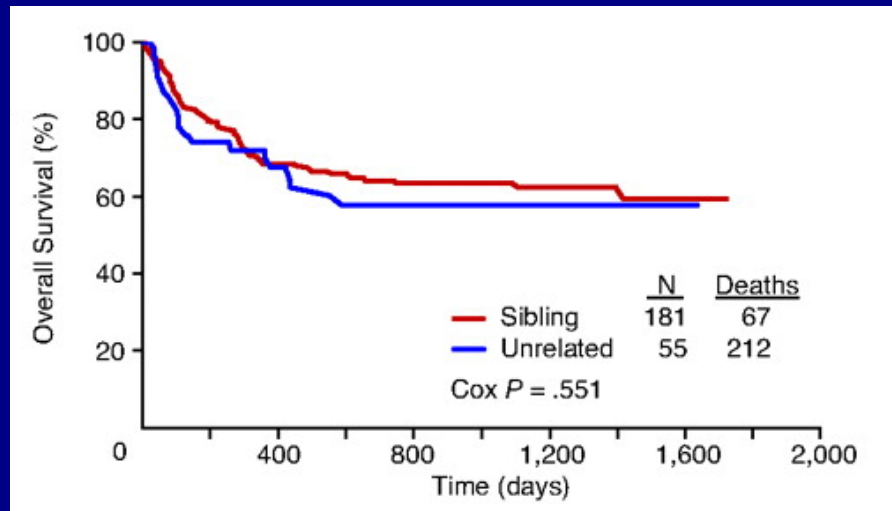
Poor Risk

SCT has most impact in younger patients with Poor Risk Leukemia and in older patients

Why then is transplant not more commonly used?

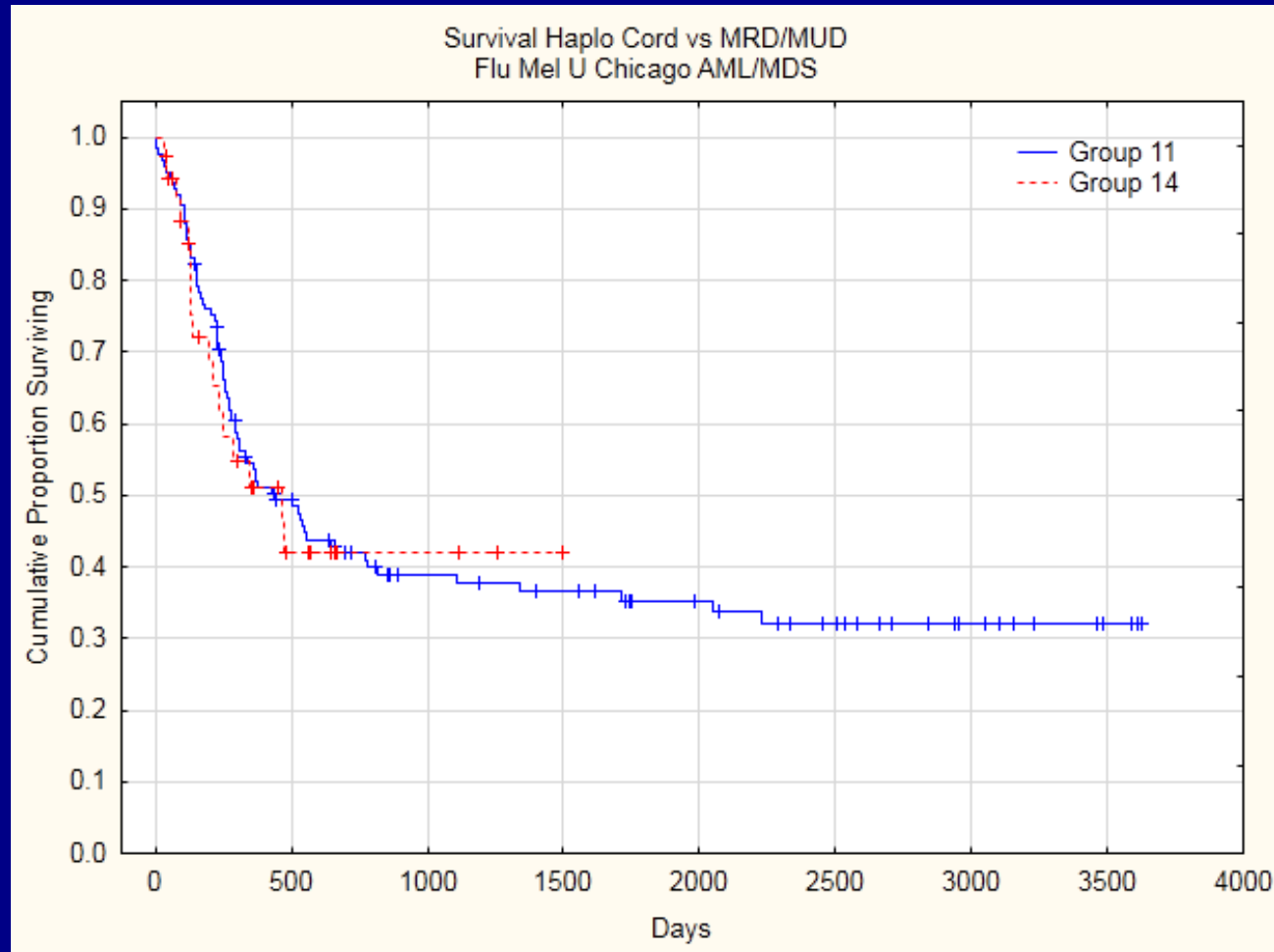
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Overall survival and Transplant Related Mortality in AML CR1 undergoing Sibling vs matched Unrelated Donor Transplantation



Yakoub-Agha, I. et al. J Clin Oncol; 24:5695-5702 2006

Survival is similar after Haplo-Cord vs Related/Unrelated donor transplant



Unpublished Data

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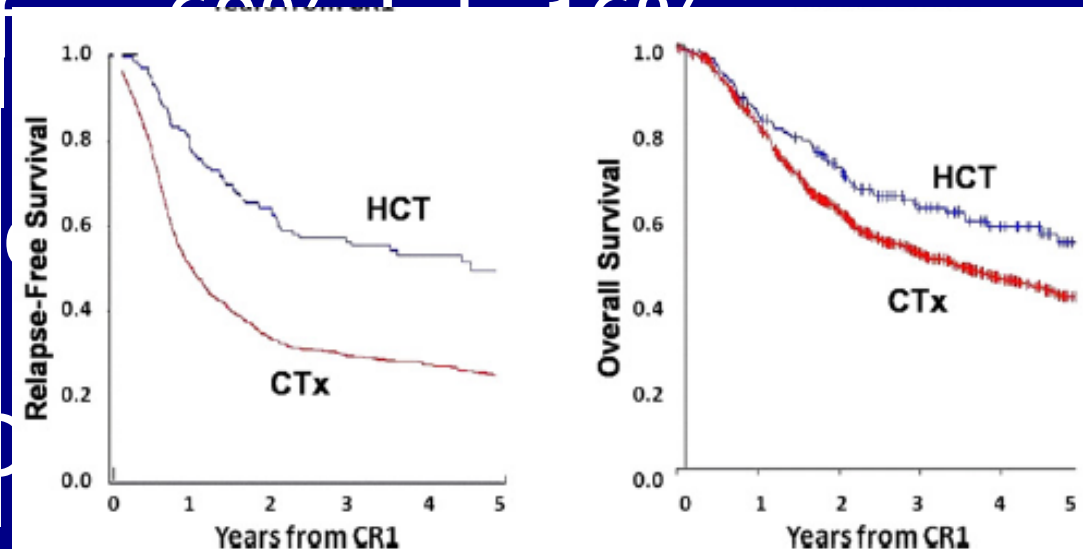
Comparison of allo tx and chemo as consolidation for elderly non M3 AML in CR1

- 1036 AML CR1pts age 50-70 from 67 centers,
- MFU 3.6 yrs

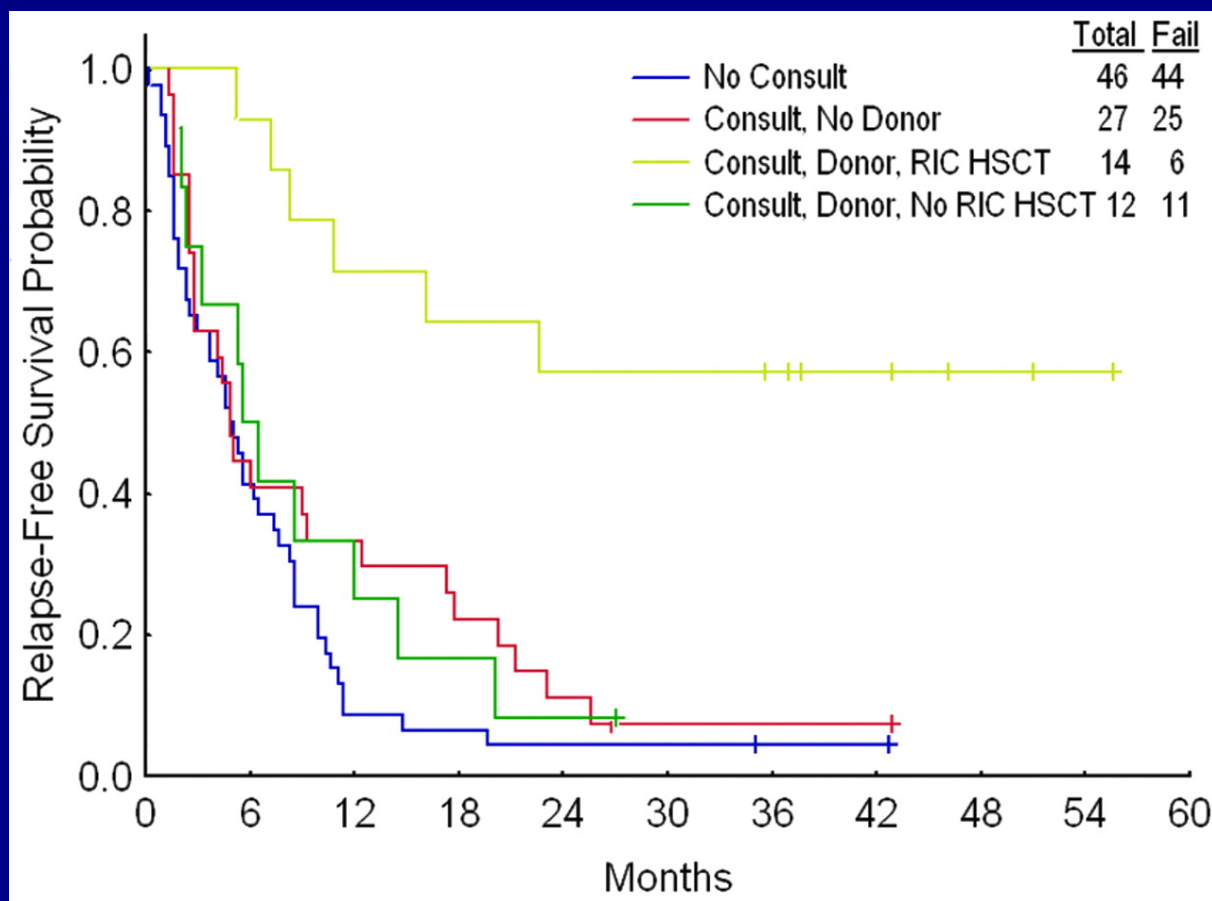
■ Kurotani et al 160% for 600% T 160%

	3y RFS	3y OS
CTx	31%	53%
HCT	56%	62%
CTx non fav kx		51%
HCT non fav kx		61%

9%



Prospective feasibility analysis of RIC in elderly (>50) patients with newly diagnosed AML and MDS and adverse features



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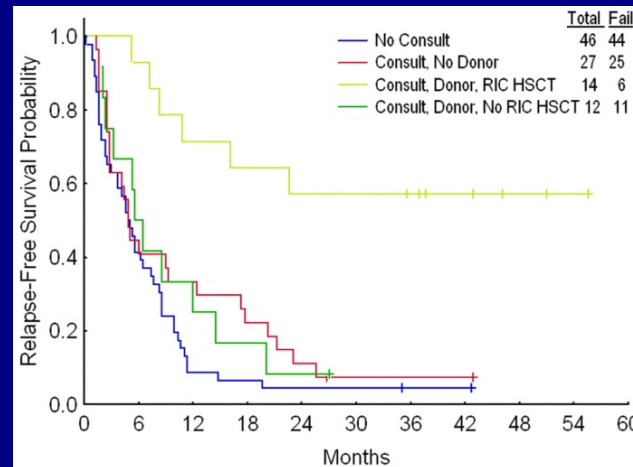
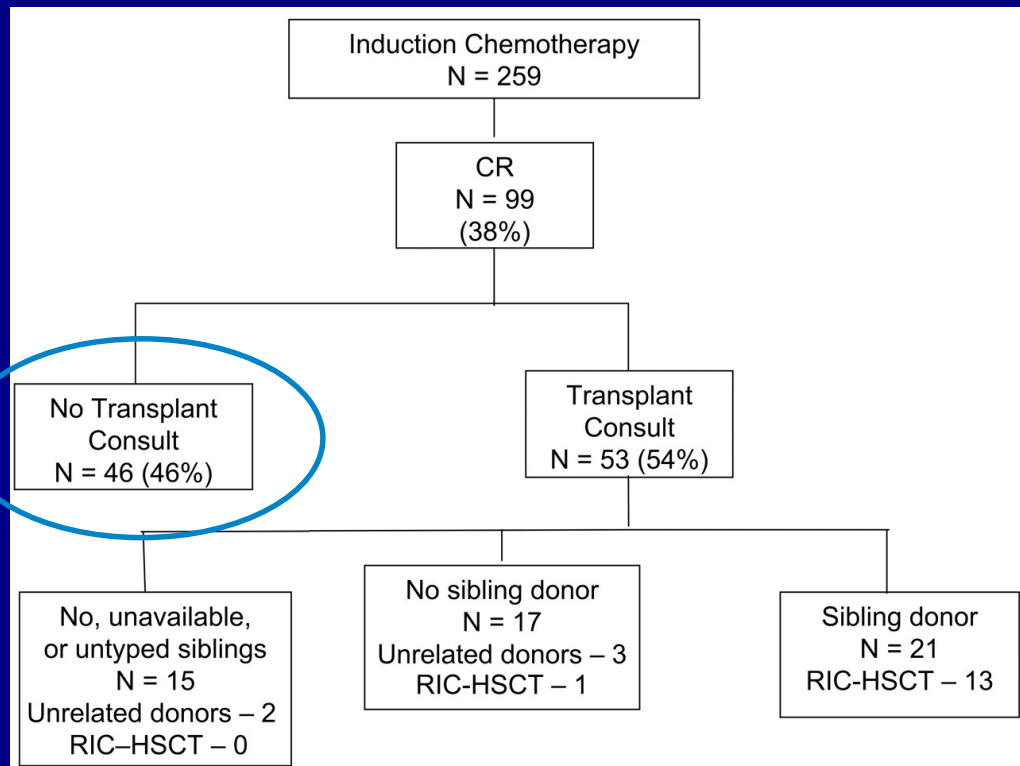
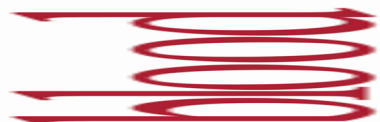
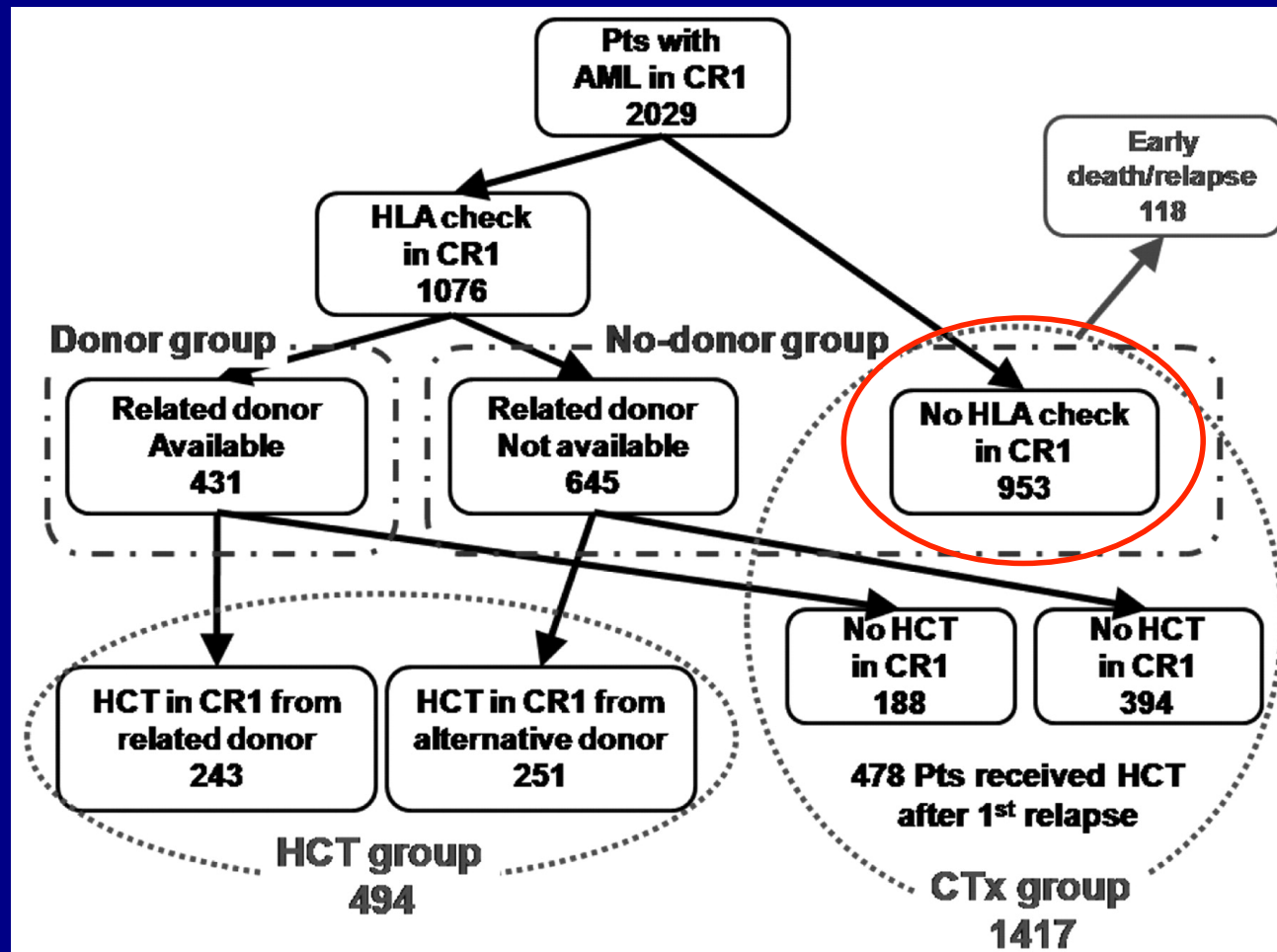


Table 2. Reasons for failure to undergo RIC-HSCT (85 patients)

	No. patients
"Too ill"	15*
Refused	5
No siblings	11
Siblings "too ill" or unavailable for HLA typing	7
Siblings typed without identification of donor†	12
Unclear‡	35

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Overview

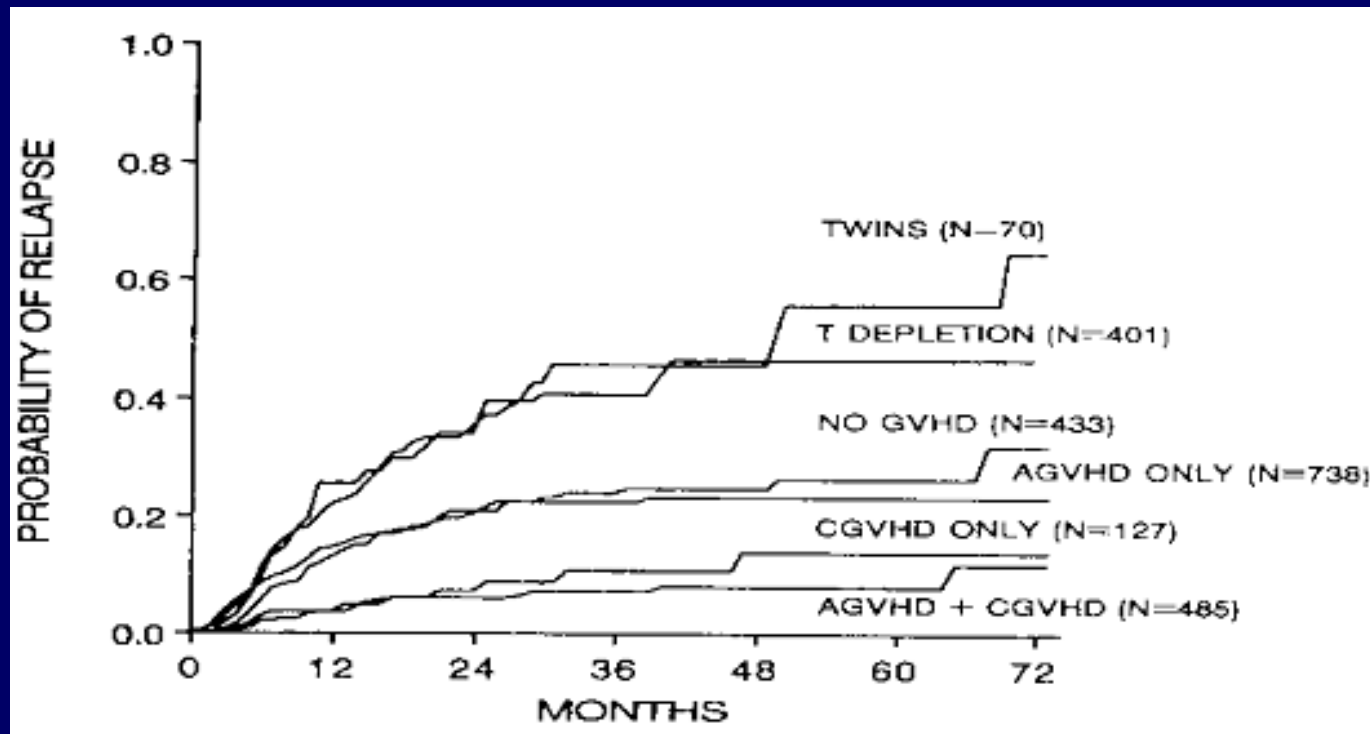
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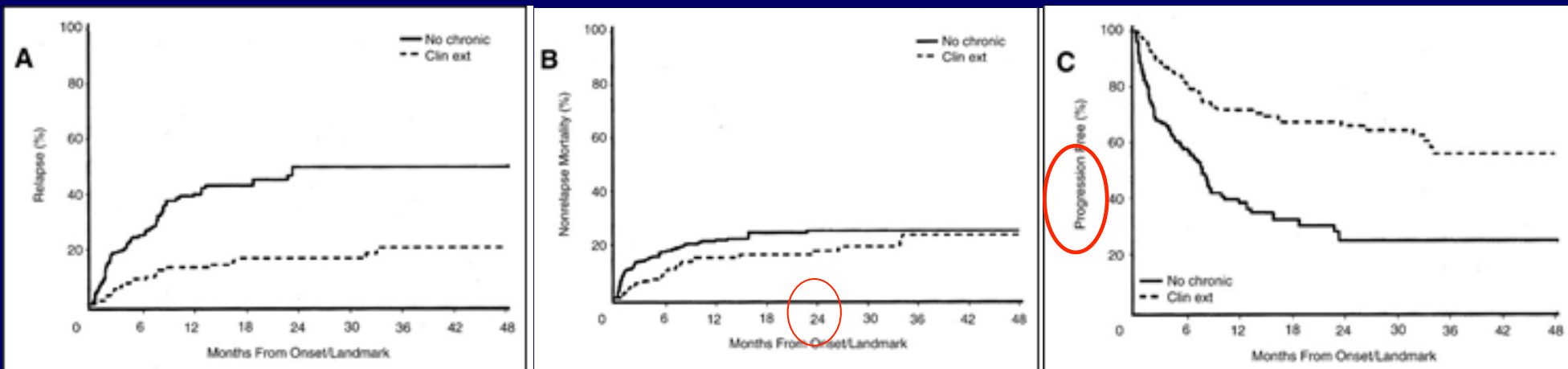
❑ It is too toxic.... The issue of chronic GVHD!

Actuarial probability of relapse after allo transplant for good risk leukemia as a function of GVHD



Horowitz et al: Blood 1990; 75:555-562

Graft-Versus-Tumor Effects After Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation With Nonmyeloablative Conditioning

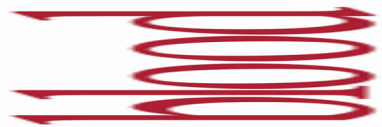
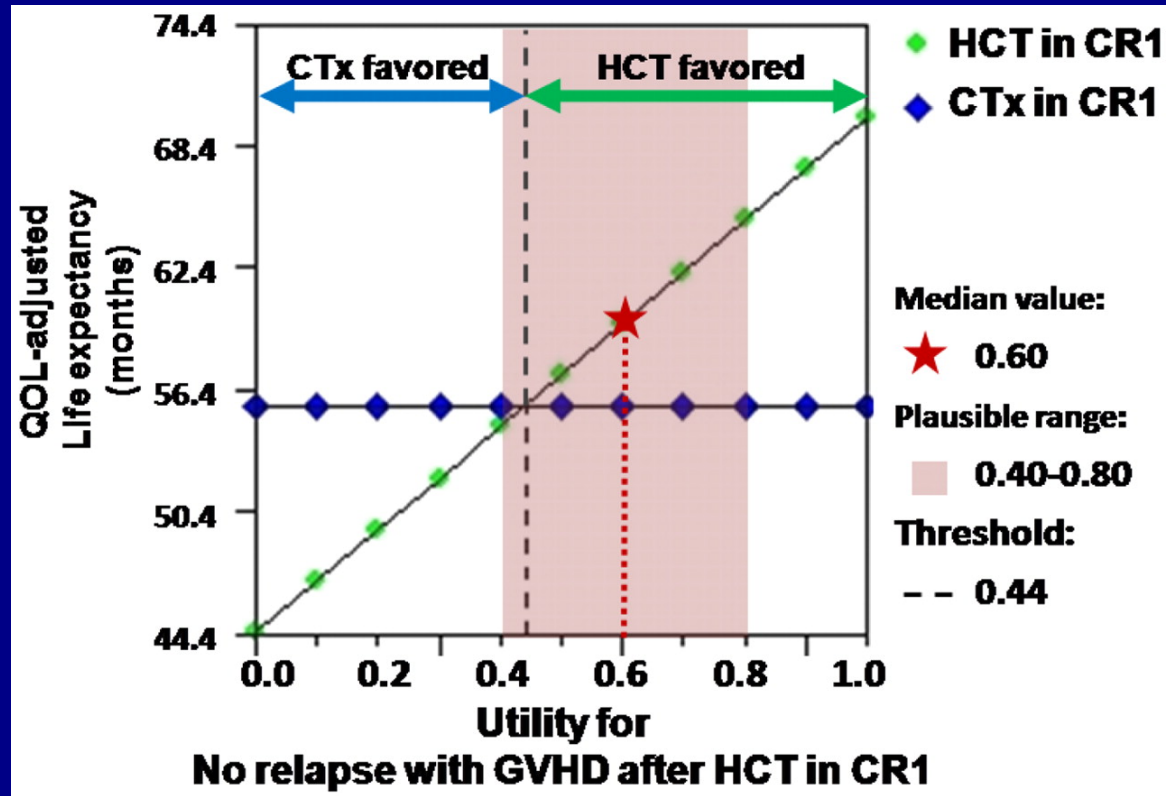
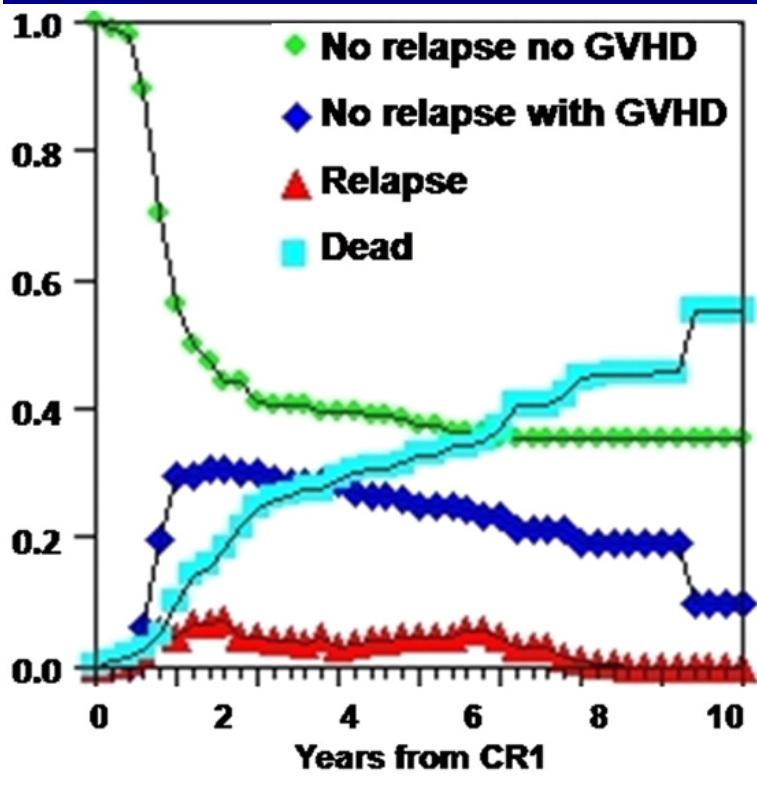


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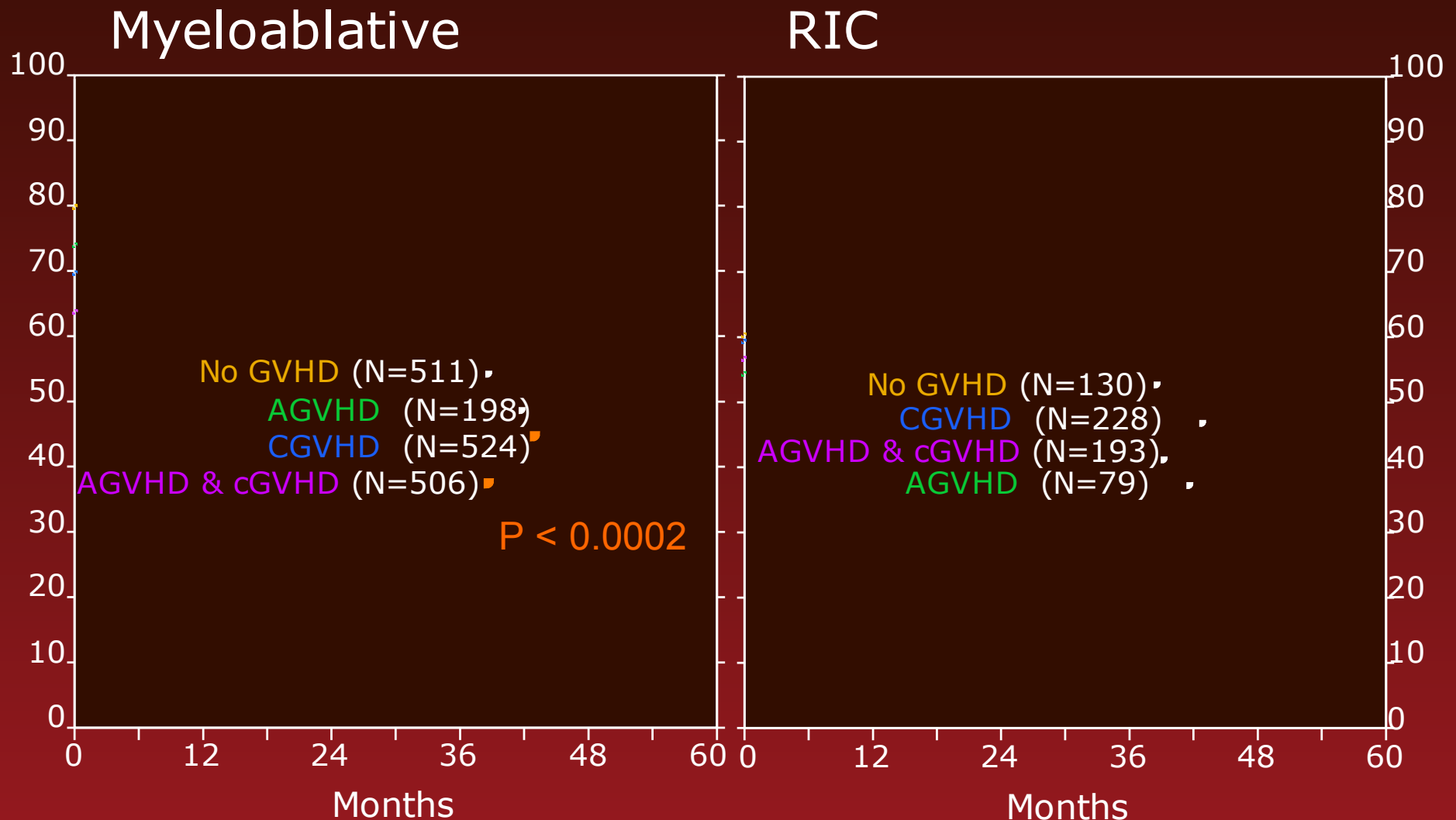
Allo SCT vs chemo in AML CR1: Utility of Transplant Depends on Impact of GVHD



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Unfavorable impact of GVHD on DFS



Flu-Mel (MDACC)

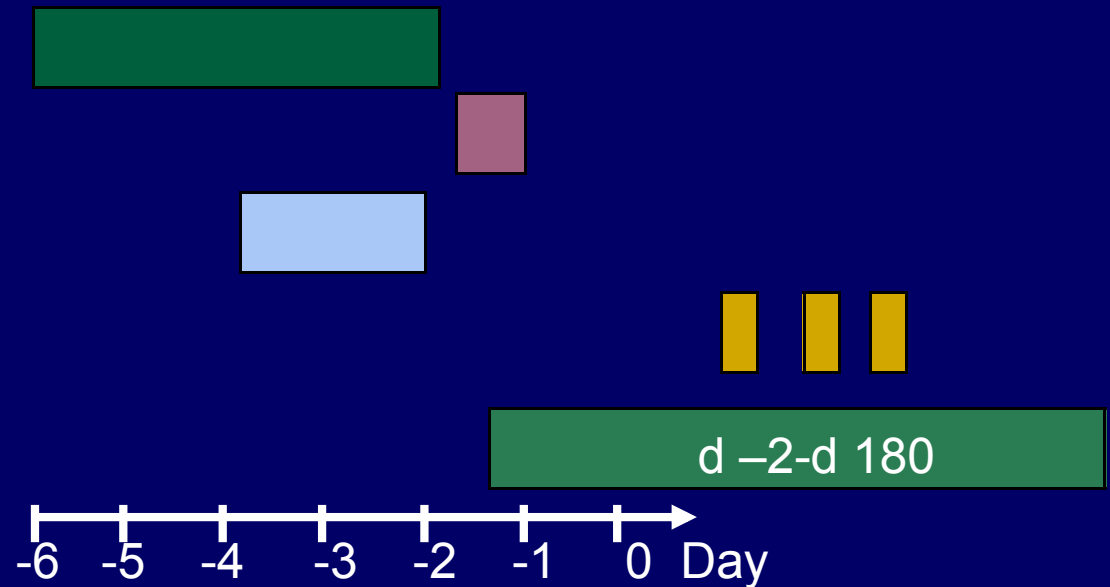
Fludarabine* (30 mg/m²/day)

Melphalan (100-140-180 mg/m²)

ATG (in MUD)

Methotrexate

Tacrolimus



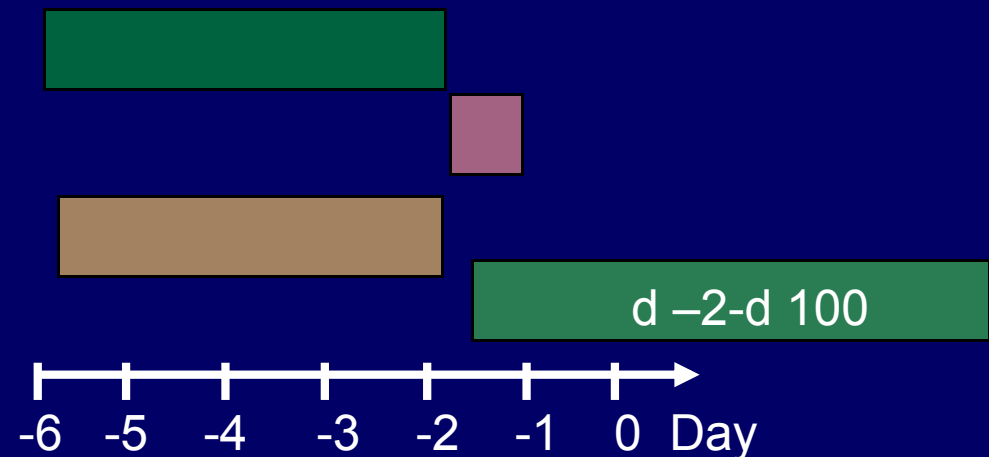
Flu-Mel-Campath (UC)

Fludarabine* (25 mg/m²/day)

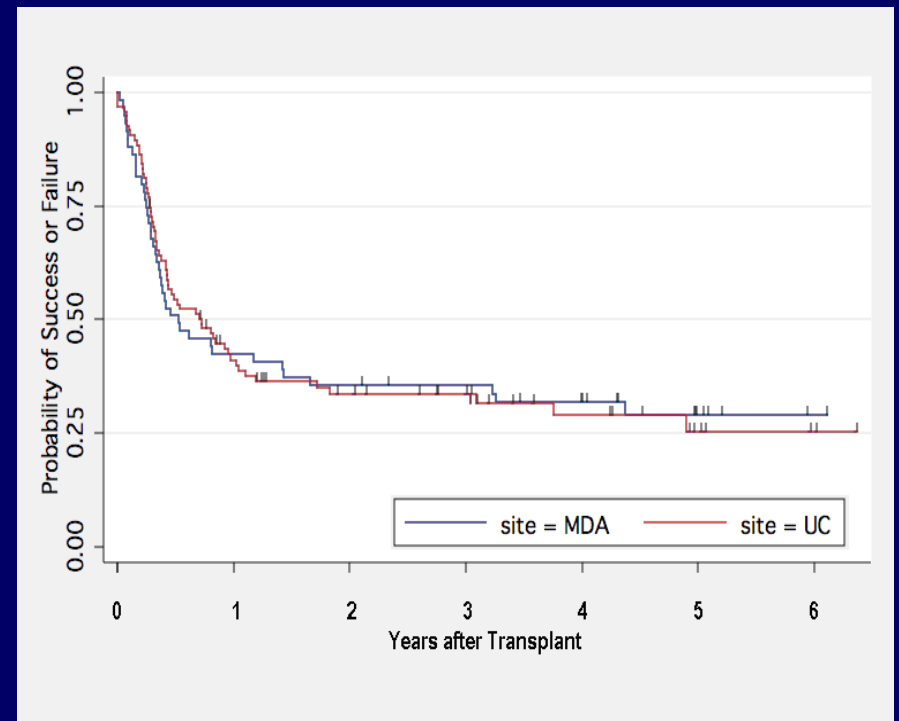
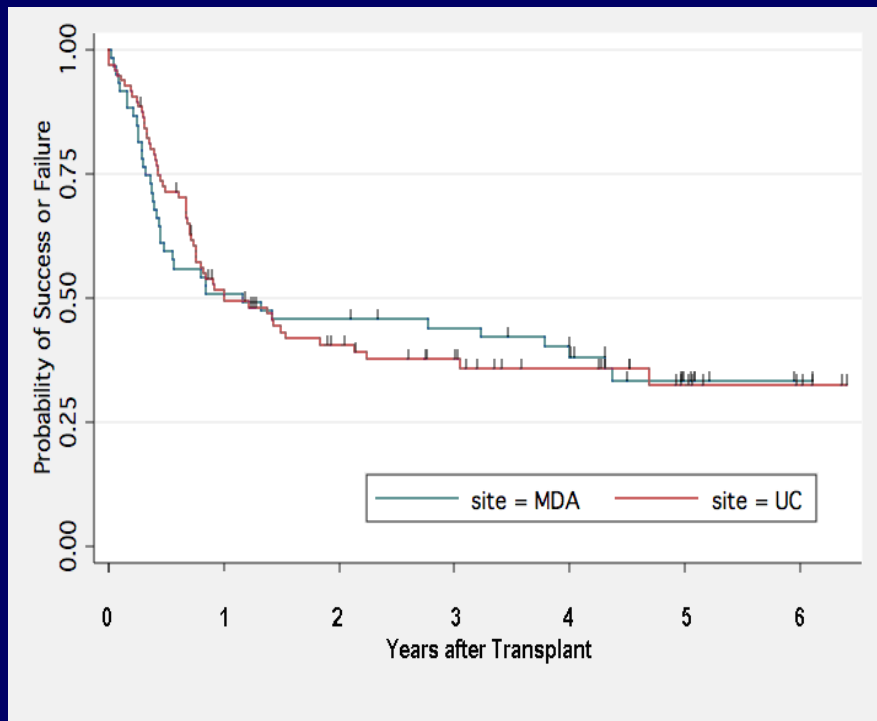
Melphalan (70 mg/m²/day)

Campath (20 mg/day)

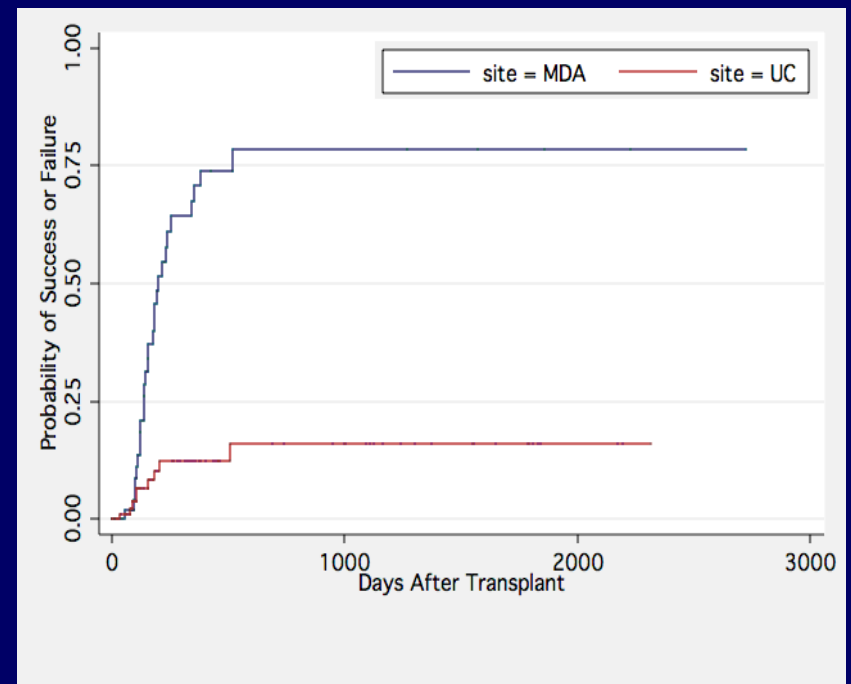
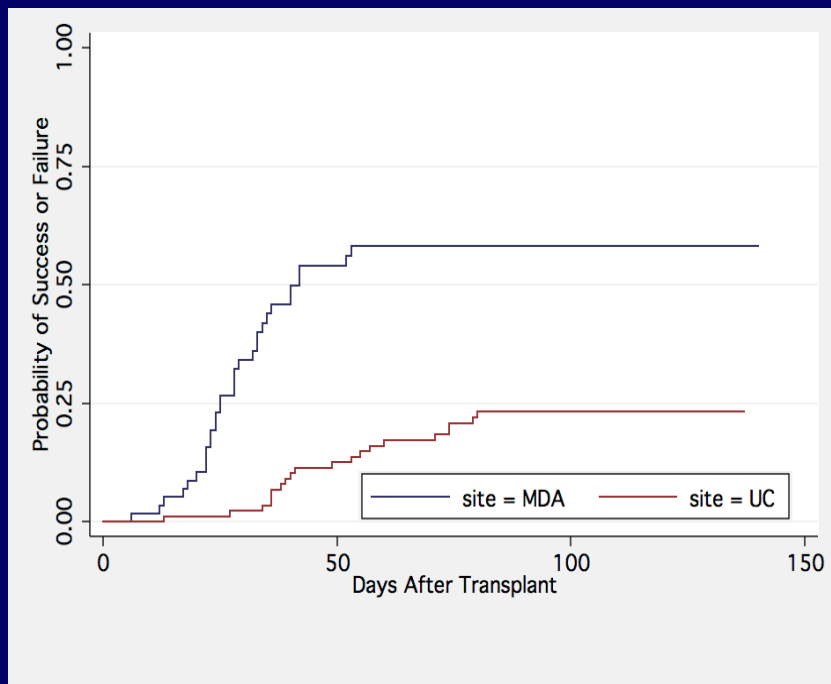
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MDACC –UC: Survival - PFS



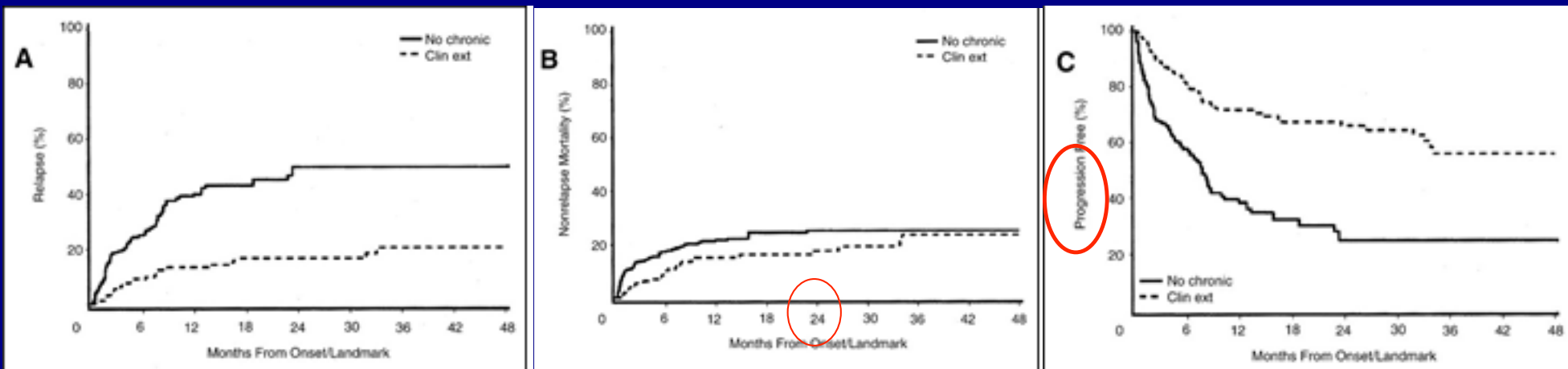
MDACC – UC: Acute and Chronic GVHD



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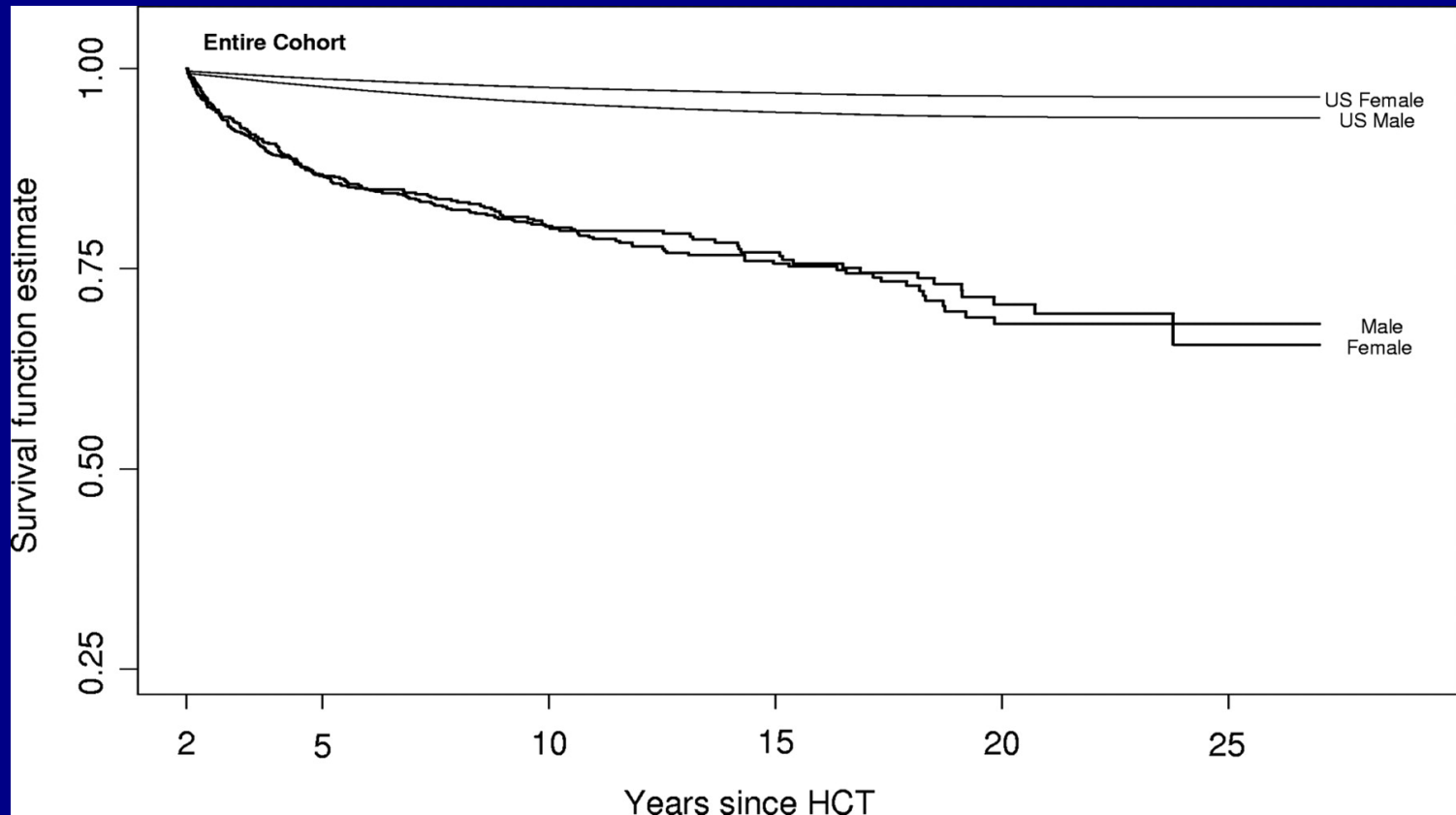
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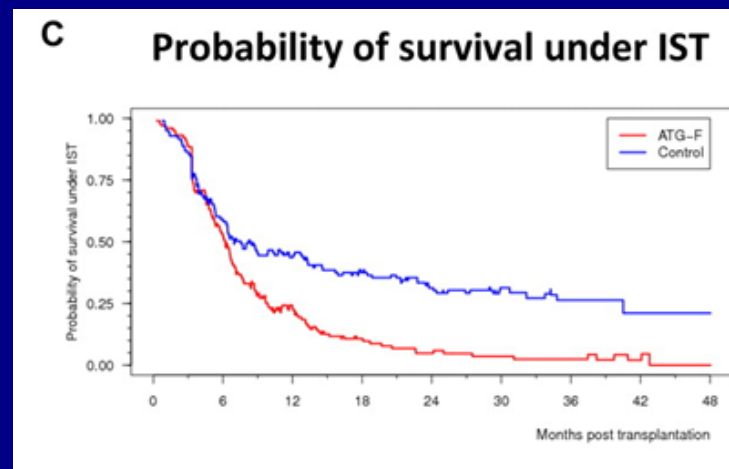
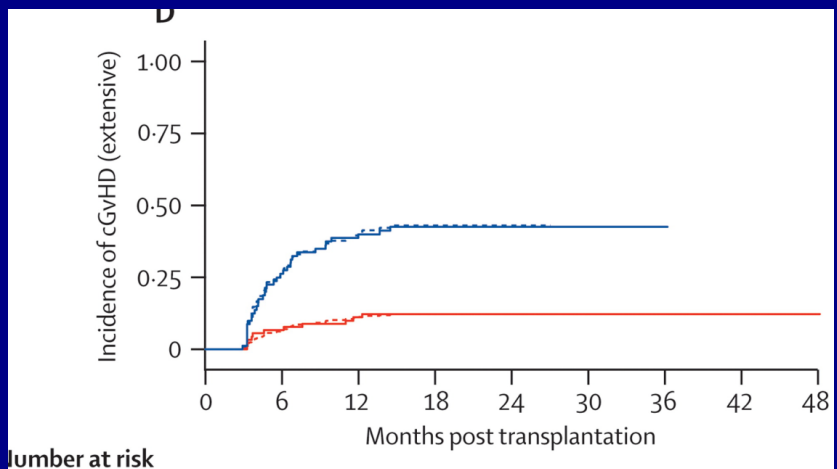
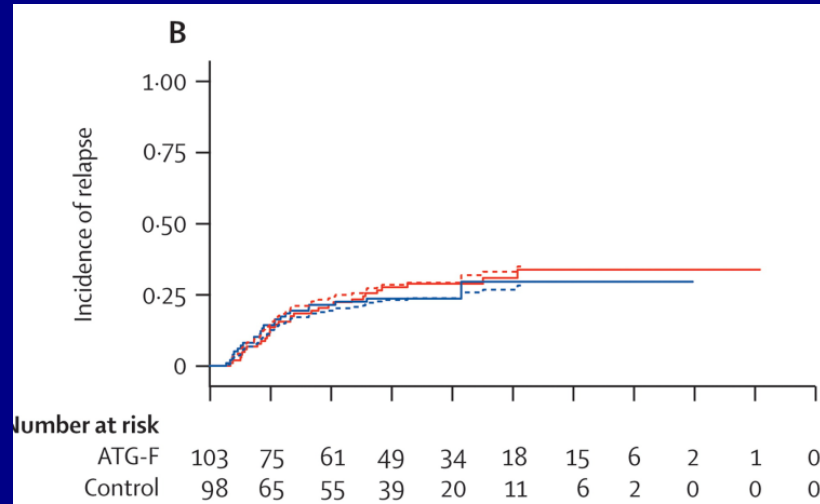
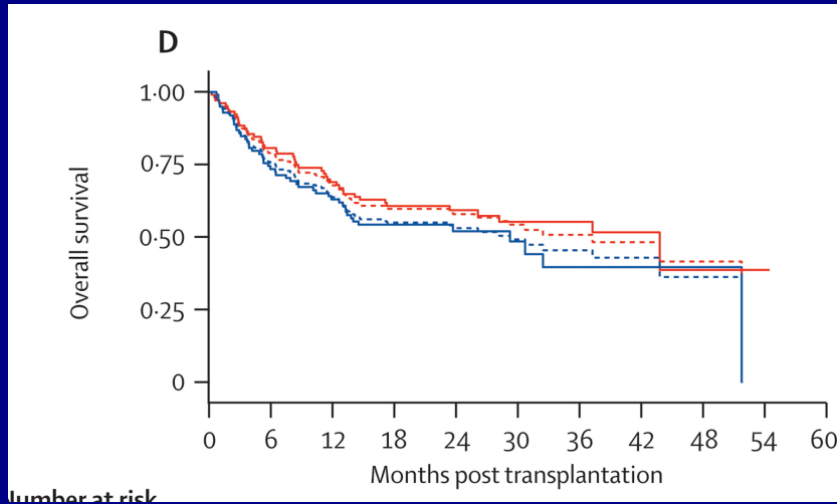
Bhatia S et al. Blood 2007;110:3784-3792

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Table 2. Five- and 10-year overall survival by primary diagnosis and cGVHD status in patients surviving disease-free for 2 years after allogeneic HCT

Diagnosis	Overall		Without cGVHD		With cGVHD	
	5-y	10-y	5-y	10-y	5-y	10-y
Entire cohort	90.2 (0.8)	84.6 (1.3)	95.1 (0.9)	91.0 (1.4)	85.5 (1.4)	78.1 (2.1)
Acute myeloid leukemia	89.3 (1.6)	82.8 (2.4)	95.5 (1.5)	92.1 (2.3)	83.0 (2.8)	73.2 (4.2)
Chronic myeloid leukemia	90.4 (1.5)	83.3 (2.5)	94.4 (1.9)	89.5 (3.5)	88.2 (2.1)	79.8 (3.4)
Acute lymphoblastic leukemia	88.5 (2.1)	83.9 (3.0)	93.6 (2.1)	86.7 (3.5)	82.5 (3.9)	81.5 (5.2)
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	86.7 (5.5)	70.7 (10.6)	92.9 (7.9)	80.0 (14.7)	83.3 (7.3)	64.8 (14.5)
Severe aplastic anemia	95.9 (1.5)	93.8 (2.2)	99.1 (0.9)	99.1 (1.2)	90.7 (3.7)	85.5 (4.9)
Inborn errors of metabolism	89.1 (3.6)	86.4 (5.6)	92.3 (3.5)	90.5 (5.8)	77.8 (9.8)	72.2 (12.7)

ATG vs no ATG after myeloablative Tx for AML in CR



Tx vs chemo for AML: Conclusions

- ❑ Allo Transplant is superior treatment for:
 - ❑ Young patients with intermediate risk disease
 - ❑ Older patients!!
- ❑ Donor availability is no longer an issue
- ❑ The benefits of transplant are diminished considerably by the detrimental long term effects of chronic GVHD.
- ❑ In 2012, there are compelling arguments for GVHD prevention by at least moderate T-cell depletion.

Conclusions (2)

