

## Clonal hematopoiesis, myeloid disorders and BAX-mutated myelopoiesis in patients receiving venetoclax for CLL

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### Supplementary Material

**Supplementary Table 1 – Scoring system (adapted from Drake *et al. British Journal of Haematology* 1997<sup>1</sup>) for cumulative exposure to prior lines of myelotoxic therapy**

Toxicity score	Chemotherapeutic agent
0	Prednisolone, Dexamethasone
1	Vincristine, Vinblastine, Bleomycin, Alpha interferon, <b>Mercaptopurine</b>
2	Cyclophosphamide, Anthracyclines, Cisplatin, Etoposide, <b>Fludarabine, Radiotherapy, Cladribine, Mitoxantrone</b>
3	Chlorambucil, Procarbazine
4	Melphalan, Carmustine, Mechlorethamine, Lomustine, <b>Bendamustine</b>

Chemotherapeutic agents in bold were added, as they did not appear in the original scoring system

Each line of therapy was assigned as score by adding the component agents *i.e.* fludarabine-cyclophosphamide = 2 + 2 = 4

**Supplementary Table 2 – Genes and regions targeted with unique molecular index-based next generation sequencing**

Gene	Transcript	Targeted exons	Gene	Transcript	Targeted exons	Gene	Transcript	Targeted exons
<i>ABL1</i>	NM_007313.2	4-10	<i>FOXO1</i>	NM_002015.3	1	<i>PIGA</i>	NM_002641.3	All coding
<i>ANKRD26</i>	NM_014915.2	5'UTR	<i>FLT3</i>	NM_004119.2	14, 15, 17, 20	<i>PHF6</i>	NM_001015877.1	7-10
<i>ARAF</i>	NM_001654.4	7,10,15	<i>FYN</i>	NM_002037.5	7	<i>PLCG1</i>	NM_002660.2	11
<i>ASXL1</i>	NM_015338.5	10,11,12	<i>GATA1</i>	NM_002049.3	2-6	<i>PLCG2</i>	NM_002661.3	16,19,20,24
<i>BAK1</i>	NM_001188.3	All coding	<i>GATA2</i>	NM_032638.4	All coding	<i>RHOA</i>	NM_001664.2	2
<i>BAX</i>	NM_138761.3	All coding	<i>HAVCR2</i>	NM_032782.3	All coding	<i>RUNX1</i>	NM_001754.4	All coding
<i>BCL2</i>	NM_000633.2	All coding	<i>ID3</i>	NM_002167.4	1,2	<i>SETBP1</i>	NM_015559.2	4
<i>BCL2L1</i>	NM_001191.2	All coding	<i>IDH1</i>	NM_005896.2	4, 7	<i>SF3B1</i>	NM_012433.2	14-16
<i>BIRC3</i>	NM_001165.4	6-9	<i>IDH2</i>	NM_002168.2	4, 7	<i>SH2B3</i>	NM_005475.2	All coding
<i>BRAF</i>	NM_004333.4	15	<i>IKZF1</i>	NM_006060.4	All coding	<i>SRSF2</i>	NM_003016.4	1
<i>BTK</i>	NM_000061.2	11, 15, 16	<i>IRF8</i>	NM_002163.2	3	<i>STAT3</i>	NM_139276.2	6,13,15,18-21
<i>CALR</i>	NM_004343.3	9	<i>JAK2</i>	NM_004972.3	12, 13, 14, 16	<i>STAT5B</i>	NM_012448.3	16
<i>CARD11</i>	NM_032415.4	4-9, 15, 20	<i>JAK3</i>	NM_000215.3	11, 13, 15	<i>STAT6</i>	NM_001178078.1	10, 13, 16
<i>CBL</i>	NM_005188.3	8, 9	<i>KIT</i>	NM_000222.2	8, 10, 11, 17	<i>TCF3</i>	NM_001136139.2	17
<i>CD274</i>	NM_014143.3	All coding, 3'UTR	<i>KRAS</i>	NM_033360.2	2-4	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2	All coding
<i>CD79B</i>	NM_000626.2	5,6	<i>MAP2K1</i>	NM_002755.3	2,3	<i>TP53</i>	NM_000546.5	All coding
<i>CEBPA</i>	NM_004364.3	1	<i>MCL1</i>	NM_021960.4	All coding	<i>U2AF1</i>	NM_006758.2	2, 6
<i>CSF3R</i>	NM_156039.3	14, 17	<i>MPL</i>	NM_005373.2	All coding	<i>XPO1</i>	NM_003400.3	15,16
<i>CXCR4</i>	NM_003467.2	1	<i>MYD88</i>	NM_002468.4	4,5	<i>ZRSR2</i>	NM_005089.3	All coding
<i>DDX41</i>	NM_016222.2	All coding	<i>NOTCH1</i>	NM_017617.3	26-28,34,3'UTR			
<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4	All coding	<i>NPM1</i>	NM_002520.6	11			
<i>ETNK1</i>	NM_018638.4	3	<i>NRAS</i>	NM_002524.4	2-4			
<i>EZH2</i>	NM_004456.4	All coding	<i>PDCD1LG2</i>	NM_025239.3	All coding, 5'UTR			

**Supplementary Table 3 – Clinical characteristics of patients with therapy-related myeloid neoplasm emergent on venetoclax (diagnosed during venetoclax therapy or after venetoclax discontinuation if cytopenias emerged during venetoclax therapy)**

Patient	Sex	Age at VEN initiation	Prior treatments	Time from FCT to tMN diagnosis (years)	VEN dose	Time on VEN (months)	Time from VEN initiation to tMN (months)	Cytogenetics at tMN diagnosis*	Effect of VEN cessation	tMN treatment	Follow up post tMN (months)	Status
CLL69	M	66	CLB; FCR; ofatumumab	7	400 mg	14	6	NA	No improvement in cytopenias	Supportive care	8	Dead (sudden death)
CLL7	F	63	FCR	10	300 mg	58	15	Monosomy 2, monosomy 10, t(1;2), derived (1;9) chromosome, abn(5q), abn(6q), abn(8p), abn(12q), marker chromosome	NA (did not cease VEN) Spontaneous resolution	No directed MDS therapy	73	Alive
CLL30	M	66	CLB + R, FCR; CVP + R, R monotherapy	7	400 mg	11	22	#1: del(5q), t(5;15), # 2: del(5q), abn(8p), abn(17p)	NA (ceased VEN prior to tMN diagnosis)	Supportive care	4	Dead (sepsis)
CLL80	M	73	CLB; CLB; CLB; FCR; FCR; duvelisib; ibrutinib	9	400 mg	29	29	#1: -1, -4, -21, abn(X), abn(9p), abn(10q), abn(17p), t(?;1q) #2: Hypotetraploid with stemline doubling, abn(1q), abn(6q), abn(9p), add(1), -15. #3: t(X;1), dic(6;17), del(6q), del(17p), -18, ring chromosome	No improvement in cytopenias	Azacitidine	3	Dead (cardiac arrest)
CLL57	M	47	FCRx6; R-CHOP; navitoclax. <b>After VEN: autoSCT; zanubrutinib</b>	9	400 mg	15	33	#1: del(6q), del(9q), abn(5q), abn(10q) #2: del(11q) #3: del(7q)	NA (ceased VEN prior to tMN diagnosis)	No tMN therapy. AlloSCT 3 years after tMN diagnosis for progressive CLL	60	Alive
CLL45	M	68	CVP; FC; F	16	400 mg	61	42	-7	Worsening thrombocytopenia New diagnosis plasmacytoid dendritic neoplasm, likely tMN related	Supportive care (planned for azacitidine)	19	Alive

**Supplementary Table 3 – Clinical characteristics of patients with therapy-related myeloid neoplasm emergent on venetoclax (cont'd)**

Patient	Sex	Age at VEN initiation	Prior treatments	Time from FCT to tMN diagnosis (years)	VEN dose	Time on VEN (months)	Time from VEN initiation to tMN (months)	Cytogenetics at tMN diagnosis*	Effect of VEN cessation	tMN treatment	Follow up post tMN (months)	Status
CLL23	M	78	FCR	5	150 mg	37	43	abn(1q), abn(5q), 6-, two marker chromosomes	NA (ceased VEN prior to tMN diagnosis)	Supportive care (planned for azacitidine)	2	Dead (intracranial hemorrhage)
CLL16	M	73	CLB; R monotherapy; FCR	11	400 mg (+ rituximab)	76	68	-7, -18, del(5q), abn(1p)	Complete resolution of cytopenias, loss of excess blasts (azacitidine commenced at VEN cessation)	Azacitidine	14	Alive
CLL9	F	62	CLB; FCR; FC; MP+R	9	300 mg (+ rituximab)	87	73	t(3;12;21), abn(3q) abn(12q), abn(21p)	No improvement in cytopenias	Supportive care	17	Dead (tMN)
CLL12	M	69	C + R; FCR; alemtuzumab; MP + R	11	400 mg	31	86	del(5q), del(7q), del(13q), -Y, -10, -13, -14, -15, -17, t(4;10), abn(1q), abn(9p), abn(8q), abn(18q), three marker chromosomes	NA (ceased VEN prior to tMN diagnosis)	Supportive care	2	Alive

FCR = Fludarabine, cyclophosphamide, rituximab, R = rituximab, C = cyclophosphamide, MP = methylprednisolone, CVP = cyclophosphamide, vincristine, prednisolone, CLB = chlorambucil, VEN = venetoclax, M = male; F = female, tMN = therapy-related myeloid neoplasm

\*Cytogenetics were performed on the diagnostic bone marrow sample, except for patient CLL9 (cytogenetics preceded WHO MDS diagnosis by 6 months) and CLL30 (cytogenetics precede WHO MDS diagnosis by 18 months). Where multiple subclonal cell populations are identified, these are distinguished by #. Cytogenetic lesions that had been detected prior to VEN initiation are bolded.

**Supplementary Table 4 – Univariate analysis of variables associated with development of therapy-related myeloid neoplasm in patients receiving venetoclax**

Variable		n =	tMN cases	HR	95%CI	p value
Age ≥ 65	Yes	53	7 (13%)	1.45	0.37-5.6	0.583
	No	36	3 (8%)			
≥ 4 prior therapy lines	Yes	35	4 (11%)	1.10	0.31-3.9	0.889
	No	54	6 (11%)			
F-combination exposed	Yes	72	10 (14%)	Undefined	Undefined	<b>0.05</b>
	No	17	0 (0%)			
VEN < 400 mg/day	Yes	22	3 (14%)	0.93	0.24-3.7	0.914
	Np	67	7 (10%)			
VEN ≥ 24 months	Yes	52	7 (13%)	0.55	0.13-2.2	0.418
	No	37	3 (8%)			
Adapted Drake score ≥ 8*	Yes	46	5 (11%)	1.13	0.32-3.93	0.851
	No	43	5 (12%)			

\*The median adapted Drake score for the cohort was 8

F = Fludarabine, VEN = venetoclax, tMN = therapy-related myeloid neoplasm

**Supplementary Table 5 – Clinical characteristics of patient cohort with relapsed/refractory chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) treated with venetoclax (n=41) with adequate samples for molecular assessment and low CLL burden**

Clinical characteristic	Cohort (n=41)
Age at venetoclax initiation, years	67 (46-86)
Male:Female	35:6
Median number of prior therapies	2 (0-8)
Prior fludarabine-combination therapy exposure	29 (72%)
Del(17p) and/or TP53 mutation prior to venetoclax initiation (n/N, %)	18/37 (49%)
Median duration on venetoclax, months	34 (9-90)
Median survivor follow-up from venetoclax initiation, months	66 (21-93)

**Supplementary Table 6 – Mutations detected in genes associated with age-related clonal hematopoiesis (ARCH)/myeloid neoplasia in patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia treated with long-term venetoclax**

Patient	Gene	HGVSc/HGVSp	Variant allele frequency (%)*
CLL3	ASXL1	NM_015338.5:c.2338C>T; p.(Gln780*)	39
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.1144A>T; p.(Lys382*)	1.0
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.923del; p.(Gly308Alafs*8)	1.0
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2257T>A; p.(Trp753Arg)	1.5
CLL5	TET2	NM_001127208.2:c.2050C>T; p.(Gln684*)	13.6
CLL8	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.743G>A; p.(Arg248Gln)	6.7
	ASXL1	NM_015338.5:c.1585C>T; p.(Gln529*)	27.2
	EZH2	NM_004456.4:c.403G>A; p.(Gly135Arg)	1.8
CLL11	Nil		
CLL12	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2635A>G; p.(Asn879Asp)	4.1
CLL16	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2644C>T; p.(Arg882Cys)	26.1
	SF3B1	NM_012433.2:c.2098A>G; p.(Lys700Glu)	7.4
	U2AF1	NM_006758.2:c.101C>A; p.(Ser34Tyr)	6.9
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2663T>C; p.(Leu888Pro)	8.1
	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.817C>T; p.(Arg273Cys)	4.5
	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.916del; p.(Arg306Glufs*39)	5.4
CLL20	TET2	NM_001127208.2:c.4073G>A; p.(Cys1358Tyr)	1.2
	ZRSR2	NM_005089.3:c.407T>A; p.(Leu136*)	2.5
	TET2	NM_001127208.2:c.3501-2A>T; p.?	1.6
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2579G>A; p.(Trp860*)	1.4
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.1532dup; p.(Gly512Argfs*34)	1.1
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2159G>C; p.(Arg720Pro)	0.8
CLL21	TET2	NM_001127208.2:c.4210C>T; p.(Arg1404*)	1.3
	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.826G>C; p.(Ala276Pro)	0.8
	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.743G>A; p.(Arg248Gln)	1.3
	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.422G>A; p.(Cys141Tyr)	1.9
CLL26	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2663T>C; p.(Leu888Pro)	31.9
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.855+1G>A; p.?	4.6
	U2AF1	NM_006758.2:c.101C>A; p.(Ser34Tyr)	14.6
CLL27	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.2478+1G>A; p.?	3.7
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.1851+1G>T; p.?	3.0
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.1610G>C; p.(Cys537Ser)	1.4
CLL32	TET2	NM_001127208.2:c.3796A>C; p.(Asn1266His)	13.8
	ZRSR2	NM_005089.3:c.896G>T; p.(Cys299Phe)	1.8
	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.1430-2A>G; p.?	1.5
	ZRSR2	NM_005089.3:c.827+1G>A; p.?	6.0
CLL34	TP53	NM_000546.5:c.416A>C; p.(Lys139Thr)	2.8
CLL35	ASXL1	NM_015338.5:c.1934dup; p.(Gly646Trpfs*12)	2.8
	ZRSR2	NM_005089.3:c.716T>G; p.(Phe239Cys)	1.4
CLL36	DNMT3A	NM_022552.4:c.1015-2A>T; p.?	22.3

CLL38	<i>U2AF1</i>	NM_006758.2:c.101C>A; p.(Ser34Tyr)	1.9
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2204A>C; p.(Tyr735Ser)	1.1
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2383T>A; p.(Trp795Arg)	1.6
CLL39	<i>TP53</i>	NM_000546.5:c.376T>C; p.(Tyr126His)	2.7
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2645G>A; p.(Arg882His)	22.4
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2104del; p.(Asp702Ilefs*3)	2.5
	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.1A>T; p.?	1.8
CLL40	<i>TP53</i>	NM_000546.5:c.818G>A; p.(Arg273His)	1.7
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2302G>T; p.(Asp768Tyr)	2.6
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.1628_1629delinsTG; p.(Gly543Val)	16.8
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2204A>G; p.(Tyr735Cys)	12.1
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2645G>A; p.(Arg882His)	1.1
CLL41	Nil		
CLL42	<i>STAT3</i>	NM_139276.2:c.1940A>T; p.(Asn647Ile)	1.6
	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.4393C>T; p.(Arg1465*)	3.7
	<i>PHF6</i>	NM_001015877.1:c.1024C>T; p.(Arg342*)	19.4
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.892G>A; p.(Gly298Arg)	2.4
	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.236C>T; p.(Thr79Ile)	1.6
	<i>PHF6</i>	NM_001015877.1:c.719A>G; p.(Tyr240Cys)	7.2
CLL43	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.5618T>C; p.(Ile1873Thr)	41.7
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2257T>C; p.(Trp753Arg)	47.6
CLL45	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.2756dup; p.(Tyr919*)	42.6
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2645G>A; p.(Arg882His)	44.5
	<i>U2AF1</i>	NM_006758.2:c.101C>T; p.(Ser34Phe)	34.7
CLL46	<i>ZRSR2</i>	NM_005089.3:c.605T>C; p.(Ile202Thr)	5.3
CLL49	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.4075C>T; p.(Arg1359Cys)	1.1
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.912_928del; p.(Trp305Cysfs*13)	0.9
CLL53	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2666T>C; p.(Leu889Pro)	10.5
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.1851+5G>A; p.?	5.9
CLL69	<i>TP53</i>	NM_000546.5:c.524G>C; p.(Arg175Pro)	29.2
	<i>TP53</i>	NM_000546.5:c.524G>A; p.(Arg175His)	33.7
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2063G>A; p.(Arg688His)	34.0
CLL70	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.1668G>C; p.(Arg556Ser)	3.3
CLL73	Nil		
CLL74	Nil		
CLL75	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.3379C>T; p.(Gln1127*)	0.94
CLL76	<i>TP53</i>	NM_000546.5:c.713G>A; p.(Cys238Tyr)	2.2
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.895A>T; p.(Lys299*)	4.5
CLL78	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2478+1G>A; p.?	40.2
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.941G>A; p.(Trp314*)	0.57
CLL79	<i>ASXL1</i>	NM_015338.5:c.1934dup; p.(Gly646Trpfs*12)	6.6
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2257T>C; p.(Trp753Arg)	3.0
CLL80	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.1628G>T; p.(Gly543Val)	35.7
CLL81	<i>U2AF1</i>	NM_006758.2:c.101C>T; p.(Ser34Phe)	8.5
	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.1660T>G; p.(Cys554Gly)	1.4
	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.2770C>T; p.(His924Tyr)	2.4
	<i>U2AF1</i>	NM_006758.2:c.101C>A; p.(Ser34Tyr)	4.7
CLL83	Nil		
CLL85	Nil		
CLL86	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2408+5G>A; p.?	1.7

	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.2359G>A; p.(Ala787Thr)	1.7
	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.3819T>G; p.(Cys1273Trp)	5.7
<b>CLL87</b>	<i>U2AF1</i>	NM_006758.2:c.101C>A; p.(Ser34Tyr)	22.0
	<i>ZRSR2</i>	NM_005089.3:c.1384C>T; p.(Arg462*)	2.0
<b>CLL88</b>	Nil		
<b>CLL90</b>	<i>KRAS</i>	NM_033360.2:c.351A>T; p.(Lys117Asn)	3.8
	<i>TET2</i>	NM_001127208.2:c.649dup; p.(Ser217Phefs*8)	0.6
<b>CLL91</b>	<i>DNMT3A</i>	NM_022552.4:c.1793_1809del; p.(Arg598Profs*8)	0.82

\*highest variant allele frequency detected if detected in multiple samples

**Supplementary Table 7 – BAX mutations detected in the non-CLL hematopoietic compartment. Samples with minimal or no residual CLL from patients treated with long-term venetoclax for CLL were analyzed to minimize the chance that the mutations were in CLL cells**

Patient	HGVSc/HGVSp	Predicted consequence for BAX function	Variant allele frequency (%)	Sample type
CLL3	c.475-1G>A; p.?	Splice site mutation	39.7	BM
	c.280del; p.(Arg94Glufs*39)	Truncation/NMD	3.8	BM
	c.554_557del; p.(Leu185Profs*55)	Truncation	1.5	BM
CLL16	c.121del; p.(Glu41Argfs*19)	Truncation/NMD	24.2	BM
	c.547G>C; p.(Ala183Pro)	Missense ( $\alpha$ 9)	8.1	BM
	c.368A>T; p.(Lys123Met)	Missense ( $\alpha$ 5)	1.3	BM
	c.100C>T; p.(Arg34*)	Truncation/NMD	1.1	BM
	c.265C>T; p.(Arg89*)	Truncation/NMD	1.1	BM
	c.519_526del; p.(Thr174Cysfs*30)	Truncation	1.1	BM
	c.109C>T; p.(Arg37*)	Truncation/NMD	0.6	BM
CLL20	c.90C>G; p.(Phe30Leu)	Missense ( $\alpha$ 1)	0.8	BM
CLL21	c.475-32_475-19del; p.?	Splice site mutation	37.3	BM
	c.511C>T; p.(Gln171*)	Truncation	0.9	BM
CLL32	c.82C>T; p.(Gln28*)	Truncation/NMD	1.6	BM
CLL34	c.554_557del; p.(Leu185Profs*55)	Truncation	0.5	BM
CLL35	c.121del; p.(Glu41Argfs*19)	Truncation/NMD	3.6	BM
	c.509G>C; p.(Trp170Ser)	Missense ( $\alpha$ 9)	0.6	BM
CLL39	c.87-2A>G; p.?	Splice site mutation	3.9	BM
	c.547G>C; p.(Ala183Pro)	Missense ( $\alpha$ 9)	1.7	BM
	c.100C>T; p.(Arg34*)	Truncation/NMD	1.0	BM
CLL43	c.551C>G; p.(Ser184*)	Truncation	52.6	BM
CLL46	c.564del; p.(Trp188*)	Truncation	11.8	BM
CLL49	c.121del; p.(Glu41Argfs*19)	Truncation/NMD	3.8	BM
CLL78	c.121del; p.(Glu41Argfs*19)	Truncation/NMD	4.5	PB
	c.536_538delinsTCTTTGACCATCTT; p.(Gly179Valfs*66)	Truncation	0.7	PB
CLL81	c.121del; p.(Glu41Argfs*19)	Truncation/NMD	19.0	BM
	c.547G>A; p.(Ala183Thr)	Missense ( $\alpha$ 9)	0.9	BM
	c.109C>T; p.(Arg37*)	Truncation/NMD	0.7	BM

NMD = nonsense mediated decay, BM = bone marrow, PB = peripheral blood  
 NCBI RefSeq transcripts – NM\_138761.3 (BAX)

**Supplementary Table 8 – Comparison of characteristics of patients with *BAX* mutations developing in non-CLL compartment on venetoclax**

Characteristic	<i>BAX</i> mutation detected ( <i>n</i> = 13)	No <i>BAX</i> mutation detected ( <i>n</i> = 28)	<i>p</i> value
Age	67 (54-86)	67 (46-84)	0.556
Lines of Rx pre-VEN	2 (0-8)	3 (1-8)	0.627
Prior FCT	9/13 (69%)	20/28 (71%)	>0.999
Adapted Drake score	10 (4-23)	9 (4-26)	0.725
del(17p)/TP53 pre VEN	5/11 (45%)	13/26 (50%)	>0.999
CK pre-VEN	0/8 (0%)	7/23 (30%)	0.146
tMN	1/13 (8%)	4/28 (14%)	>0.999

Rx = treatment; VEN = venetoclax, FCT = fludarabine-cyclophosphamide combination therapy; CK = complex karyotype; tMN = therapy-related myeloid neoplasm

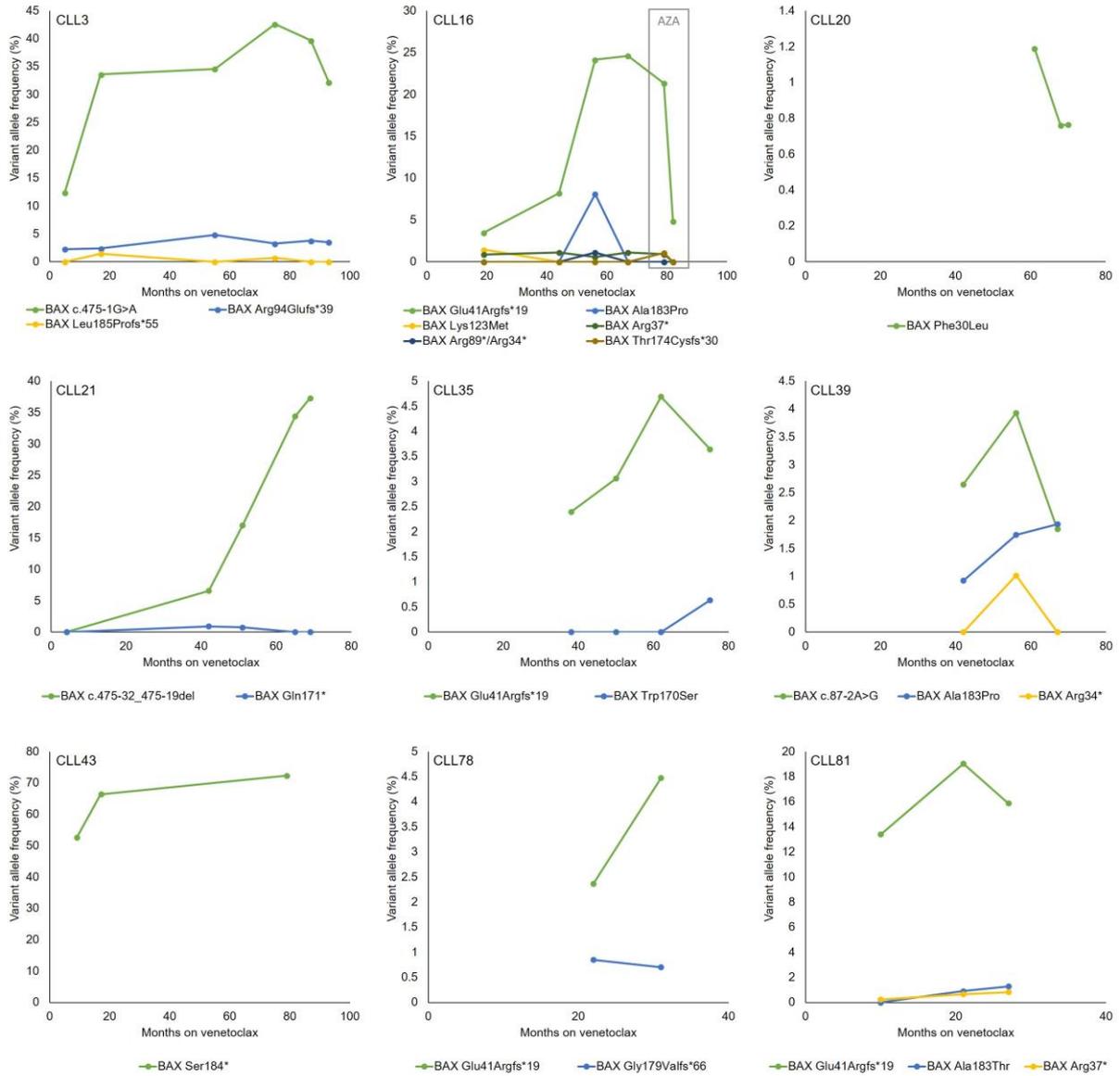
**Supplementary Table 9 – Variants detected in flow cytometry sorted myeloid compartment cells (CD3-/CD19-), T-cells (CD3+/CD19-) and CLL cells (CD3-/CD19+)**

Patient	Myeloid compartment - CD3-/CD19- (VAF)	T-cell compartment - CD3+, CD19- (VAF)	CLL compartment - CD3-/CD19+ (VAF)
<b>CLL3</b>	<i>ASXL1</i> Gln780* (38.7%) <i>TET2</i> Leu1637Tyrfs*58 (1.3%) <i>BAX</i> c.475-1G>A (45.5%) <i>BAX</i> Arg94Glufs*39 (4.6%)	<i>STAT3</i> Asp661Val (3.2%) <i>ASXL1</i> Gln780* (1.0%) <i>DNMT3A</i> Lys382* (2.9%) <i>DNMT3A</i> Gly308Alafs*8 (6.2%) <i>DNMT3A</i> Ile670Leu (1.2%) <i>DNMT3A</i> Trp753Arg (9.9%) <i>BAX</i> c.475-1G>A (1.4%)	<i>TP53</i> Arg273His (96.0%) <i>SF3B1</i> Lys700Glu (49.6%) <i>BCL2</i> Gly101Val (27.3%) <i>BCL2</i> c.326_327insGCGCCGCTACCG Arg107_Arg110dup (8.4%) <i>BCL2</i> c.319_330dup Arg107_Arg110dup (6.4%)
<b>CLL16</b>	<i>TP53</i> Arg306Glufs*39 (4.7%) <i>TP53</i> Arg273Cys (7.0%) <i>DNMT3A</i> Arg882Cys (28.3%) <i>BAX</i> Arg37* (2.6%) <i>BAX</i> Glu41Argfs*19 (24.0%)	<i>TP53</i> Arg273Cys (1.3%) <i>DNMT3A</i> Trp860* (0.9%)	<i>KRAS</i> Ala146Thr (33.9%) <i>BCL2</i> Gly101Val (1.3%) <i>TP53</i> c.993+1_993+20del (3.8%) <i>TP53</i> c.783-2A>C (4.8%) <i>BCL2</i> Ala113Gly (10.0%)
<b>CLL81</b>	<i>U2AF1</i> Ser34Tyr (9.4%) <i>U2AF1</i> Ser34Phe (6.9%) <i>BAX</i> Arg37* (0.9%) <i>BAX</i> Glu41Argfs*19 (15.3%)	Nil	<i>KRAS</i> Gln22Lys (17.0%) <i>KRAS</i> Gly12Asp (23.4%) <i>TP53</i> Leu252_Ile254del (28.2%) <i>TP53</i> Ser241Tyr (18.0%) <i>TP53</i> Cys176Ser (16.9%) <i>BCL2</i> Asp103Glu (20.0%)

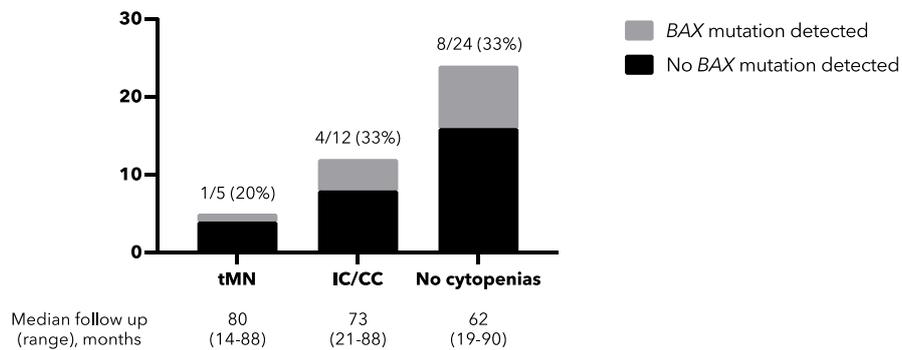
VAF = variant allele frequency

NCBI RefSeq transcripts – NM\_015338.5 (*ASXL1*), NM\_138761.3 (*BAX*), NM\_000633.2 (*BCL2*), NM\_022552.4 (*DNMT3A*), NM\_033360.2 (*KRAS*), NM\_012433.2 (*SF3B1*), NM\_139276.2 (*STAT3*), NM\_001127208.2 (*TET2*), NM\_000546.5 (*TP53*), NM\_006758.2 (*U2AF1*)

**Supplementary Figure 1 – Longitudinal changes in *BAX* mutations in non-CLL compartment over time for 9 patients with serial samples during treatment for CLL.**



## Supplementary Figure 2 – Distribution of *BAX* mutations across groups of myeloid dysfunction (tMN, IC/CC or no persistent cytopenias)



tMN = therapy-related myeloid neoplasm; IC/CC = idiopathic cytopenias/clonal cytopenias

### Supplementary Methods

#### *Genomic analyses*

UMI-based libraries were prepared using the standard protocol for QIAseq targeted DNA panel as per manufacturer's specifications. Pooled libraries were sequenced on a NextSeq 500 instrument (Illumina, California). Alignment and variant calling was performed using the QIAGEN CLC Genomic Workbench (v12.0.2). All variant calls were manually inspected in Integrated Genome Viewer (Broad Institute, USA). Copy number was analysed using CNspector<sup>2</sup>. For Sanger sequencing of the *BAX* homopolymer mutant (CLL16) genomic DNA was amplified using AmpliTaq Gold 360 Master Mix (Applied Biosystems) and a primer pair flanking *BAX* c.114\_c.121 (homopolymer guanine) (forward primer: 5'-CCCGTTCTGATTCTGC-3', reverse primer: 5'-ACTGTCCAGTTCGTCC-3', both primers were CS tagged). The cycling conditions were: 95°C for 5 minutes; followed by a program of 94°C for 30 seconds, 60°C for 45 seconds, and 72°C for 45 seconds for 40 cycles; and ending with a final extension at 72°C for 10 minutes. Amplicon product was purified using ExoSAP-IT (Applied Biosystems) and bidirectionally sequenced using ABI Big Dye v.3.1 Terminator Kit on an ABI3730 DNA Analyzer (Applied Biosystems). Data analysis was performed using Mutation Surveyor version 4.0.5 (SoftGenetics). For

hybridization-based next generation sequencing analysis (CLL43) indexed libraries were sequenced on an Illumina NextSeq (paired-end 75 bp reads). After base calling and de-multiplexing, a Seqliner-framework analysis pipeline was used to align reads to the human reference genome (GRCh37 assembly) using BWA-MEM, followed by marking of duplicate reads, base quality score recalibration, local indel realignment and variant calling using GATK Haplotype Caller (<https://software.broadinstitute.org/gatk/>). Copy number and B-allele frequency analysis was performed using on and off target reads from this hybridization-based NGS panel as described previously<sup>2,3</sup>.

#### *Targeted amplicon single cell sequencing*

Cryopreserved cells were prepared and underwent unique barcoding and amplification with 70 custom primer pairs targeting 17 genes including *BCL2*, *BCL2L1*, *BAX*, *MCL1*, *DNMT3A* and *ASXL1*. The products were subsequently sequenced on a NextSeq 500 instrument (Illumina, California). FASTQ files were analyzed using the cloud-based Tapestry bioinformatics pipeline to perform adapter trimming, barcode correction, cell identification, read alignment to the human hg19 genome, and variant calling using a GATK-based algorithm.

#### *Carbonate extraction of BAX*

Carbonate extraction can be used to differentiate membrane-integrated BAX from that which is peripherally associated to the mitochondrial outer membrane (MOM). Treatment of membranes with sodium carbonate (high pH) disrupts protein-protein interactions, whereas protein-lipid interactions are largely retained. For carbonate extraction of BAX, treated cells were harvested and permeabilized with 0.025% w/v digitonin in fractionation buffer (20 mM HEPES KOH pH 7.5, 100 mM sucrose, 100 mM KCl, 2.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>) for 10 min on ice. Successful permeabilization of the cells was confirmed by trypan blue uptake and light microscopy. Cytosol and mitochondria-enriched heavy membrane were then separated by centrifugation. Membrane fractions were then re-suspended in sodium carbonate (0.1M, pH 11.5) and incubated on ice for 20 min before addition of an equal volume of 0.1 M HCL.

After treating the samples with DNase I (5 Units/50  $\mu$ l), the supernatant fraction containing peripheral proteins and pellet fraction containing membrane-integrated proteins were separated by centrifugation. Cytosol, peripheral and integrated fractions were then run on SDS-PAGE and immunoblotted for BAX.

### *Immunoblotting*

Protein lysates were prepared in Onyx buffer (20 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 135 mM NaCl, 1.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1 mM EGTA, 1% (v/v) Triton X-100, 10% (v/v) glycerol) containing protease inhibitor cocktail (Roche, USA). Proteins were gel electrophoresed and transferred onto nitrocellulose membranes (Life Technologies, USA). Primary antibodies used were rabbit polyclonal anti-BAX NT (#06-499, Merck Millipore, Germany), mouse monoclonal anti-HSP70 (WEHI, in-house). Secondary antibodies were (HRP)-conjugated anti-rabbit (#4010-05, Southern Biotech, Birmingham, USA) and anti-mouse (#1010-05, Southern Biotech, Birmingham, USA). Proteins were visualized by Luminata Forte Western HRP substrate (#WBLUF0500, Merck Millipore, Germany).

### *Statistical analysis*

Comparison of characteristics between groups were performed using Mann-Whitney U test and Fisher's exact test as appropriate. The Kaplan-Meier method was used to estimate overall survival from tMN diagnosis (censored at last follow-up or allogeneic stem cell transplant [alloSCT]). Estimates of the proportion of patients developing tMN were expressed as cumulative incidence, with death or alloSCT considered competing risks. Associations between clinicopathological variables and tMN diagnosis were analyzed using the Cox proportional hazards model to calculate hazard ratios with a significance level set at 0.05, with death or alloSCT considered as competing risks and treated as censorship events. Data were analyzed using Stata 14.1 for Mac (StataCorp, College Station, TX), GraphPad Prism 9 for Mac (GraphPad Software, La Jolla, CA), and in R v4.04 for Mac.

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