

Figure S-1. Sample Attrition

New MPN diagnosis between Jan 1, 2001 and Dec 31, 2007		
ET	PV	MF
2,421	3,432	1,040
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Has at least 1 month of Medicare enrollment during the study period (January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2007)		
2,389	3,376	1,022
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No HMO enrollment after first MPN diagnosis		
1,720	2,502	760
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Reason for Medicare eligibility is age or disability, not ESRD		
1,711	2,460	754
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1st MPN Diagnosis on/after 1st Medicare enrollment		
1,547	2,137	662
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Has ≥5 matched non-cancer controls (Final Sample)		
ET	PV	MF
1,217	1,625	522

ET = essential thrombocythemia, PV = polycythemia vera,
MF = myelofibrosis, HMO = health maintenance organization

*MPN-NOS = 1,664 patients were identified in the study time period with a new diagnosis of MPN-NOS (myeloproliferative neoplasm-not otherwise specified) and excluded from this report