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Patients and treatment

Eighty patients with untreated *de novo* acute myeloid leukemia (AML) and sole +8, who were enrolled on CALGB/Alliance study protocols, were investigated. Fifty-nine patients who received treatment in accordance with the study protocols and who could be evaluated for treatment response were included in the outcome analyses. Patients received cytarabine/daunorubicin-based induction and consolidation regimens, as detailed below. Per study protocols, no patient received allogeneic hematopoietic stemcell transplantation (HSCT) in first complete remission (CR).

A cohort of 483 adults with molecularly characterized *de novo* cytogenetically normal (CN)-AML was used for comparisons of pretreatment characteristics, outcome and expression profiles.¹ In addition, a cohort of 329 *de novo* AML patients assigned to the ELN Intermediate-II Genetic Group [i.e., patients with t(9;11)(p22;q23) and patients with cytogenetic aberrations not classified in the ELN Favorable or Adverse Genetic Groups other than sole +8] were considered for outcome analyses. The CN-AML and ELN Intermediate-II patients were enrolled on the same treatment protocols as the sole +8 AML patients (detailed below).¹

All patients provided written informed consent for participation in the studies, and all study protocols were in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki and approved by Institutional Review Boards at each treatment center.

Of the patients included in the outcome analyses, those younger than 60 years were treated on CALGB/Alliance protocols 19808 (n=211), 9621 (n=158), 8525 (n=30), 10503

(n=12), 9022 (n=4), 9120 (n=1), 9222 (n=1) and 10603 (n=1). Patients 60 years or older were treated on CALGB 9720 (n=192), 10201 (n=132), 8923 (n=70), 8525 (n=58), 9420 (n=21) and 10502 (n=1). Patients enrolled on CALGB 19808 were assigned to receive induction chemotherapy consisting of cytarabine, daunorubicin, and etoposide with or without the multidrug resistance protein modulator PSC-833 (valspodar).² Upon achievement of complete remission (CR), patients received high-dose cytarabine and etoposide for stem-cell mobilization followed by myeloablative treatment with busulfan and etoposide supported by autologous peripheral HSCT. Patients not eligible for HSCT received high-dose cytarabine. After intensification, patients received low-dose recombinant interleukin-2 maintenance or no further treatment. Patients enrolled on CALGB 9621 were treated similarly to those on CALGB 19808.³ Patients enrolled on CALGB 10503 were treated similarly to those on CALGB 19808, but received no PSC-833 and were administered the DNA methyltransferase inhibitor decitabine for maintenance.⁴ Patients on CALGB 8525 were treated with induction chemotherapy consisting of cytarabine and daunorubicin, and were randomly assigned to consolidation with different doses of cytarabine followed by maintenance treatment.⁵ Patients enrolled on CALGB 9022 received induction treatment with cytarabine and daunorubicin that was followed by three sequential courses of intensive postremission therapy.⁶ The patient enrolled on CALGB 9120 received induction treatment consisting of idarubicin and cytarabine and post-remission therapy off study.⁷ CALGB 9222 tested a multiagent regimen including high-dose cytarabine as consolidation after cytarabine and daunorubicin.⁸ In CALGB 10603, cytarabine and daunorubicin followed by consolidation with high-dose cytarabine were applied with or without PKC-412.⁹ Patients on CALGB 9720 and 9420 received induction chemotherapy consisting of cytarabine in

combination with daunorubicin and etoposide, with/without (CALGB 9720) or with (CALGB 9420) PSC-833.^{10,11} Patients on CALGB 9420 received postremission therapy with cytarabine (2 $g/m^2/d$) alone, and patients on CALGB 9720 received a single cytarabine/daunorubicin consolidation course and were randomly assigned to low-dose recombinant interleukin-2 maintenance therapy or none. Patients on CALGB 10201 received induction chemotherapy consisting of cytarabine and daunorubicin, with or without the *BCL2* antisense oblimersen sodium. The consolidation included two cycles of cytarabine (2 g/m²/d) with or without oblimersen.¹² In CALGB 10502, bortezomib was added to induction consisting of daunorubicin and cytarabine and consolidation with high-dose cytarabine.¹³ Patients on CALGB 8923 were treated with induction therapy consisting of cytarabine and daunorubicin and were randomly assigned to receive postremission therapy with cytarabine alone or in combination with mitoxantrone.¹⁴

Sample collection

Patients enrolled on the treatment protocols also provided written informed consent to participate in the companion protocols CALGB 8461 (prospective cytogenetic companion), CALGB 9665 (leukemia tissue bank) and CALGB 20202 (molecular studies), which involved collection of pretreatment bone marrow (BM) aspirates and blood samples.

Cytogenetic analyses

Cytogenetic analyses at diagnosis were performed by CALGB-approved institutional cytogenetics laboratories as part of CALGB 8461, and the results confirmed by central karyotype review.¹⁵ The diagnosis of sole $+8$ was made from bone marrow (BM) in 76 (95%) and blood in 4 (5%) patients. At least 20 metaphase cells were analyzed in 77 (96%) sole +8 patients. Two patients had tetrasomy 8, and three had clones with trisomy 8 and tetrasomy 8. For each patient with +8 detected in BM, the percentage of metaphase cells containing +8 was calculated. For CN-AML patients, ≥20 metaphase cells from diagnostic BM had to be analyzed and the karyotype found to be normal.¹⁵

Analysis of molecular genetic markers

Mononuclear cells were enriched through Ficoll-Hypaque gradient centrifugation and cryopreserved until use. Genomic DNA and total RNA were extracted and quality control of the nucleic acids was performed as described previously.¹⁶ Mutations were assessed centrally at The Ohio State University on genomic DNA from BM or blood with ≥20% blasts. Mutations in *NPM1* (ref. 17), *FLT3* [i.e., *FLT3*-internal tandem duplication (*FLT3*-ITD) and *FLT3*-tyrosine kinase domain mutation (*FLT3*-TKD)],^{18,19} *CEBPA*,¹⁶ *WT1* (ref. 20), *ASXL1* (ref. 21), *TET2* (ref. 22), *IDH1* (ref. 23), *IDH2* (ref. 23), *RUNX1* (ref. 24), and *DNMT3A*²⁵ were analyzed as previously reported. *NRAS* exons 2 and 3 (NM_002524) and *KRAS* exon 2 (NM_004985) were amplified and directly sequenced. *NRAS* exon 3 was analyzed by denaturing high-performance liquid chromatography before sequencing. The expression of *miR-155* was determined using Affymetrix arrays (Affymetrix, Santa Clara, CA) and of *miR-3151* using real-time reverse transcriptionpolymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR).^{26,27} BAALC expression was assessed with RT-PCR (n=41)²⁸⁻³⁰ and Affymetrix arrays (n=25). Because *BAALC* expression values obtained using the RT-PCR were strongly correlated with the values obtained from

Affymetrix platforms (r=0.82, *P*<0.001), we combined these measurements for statistical analyses, via regression imputation.

Definition of clinical end points

CR required an absolute neutrophil count ≥1,500/µL, platelet count ≥100,000/µL, no leukemic blasts in the blood, BM cellularity greater than 20% with maturation of all cell lines, no Auer rods, less than 5% BM blast cells, and no evidence of extramedullary leukemia, all of which had persisted for at least 1 month.³¹ Relapse was defined by ≥5% BM blasts, circulating leukemic blasts, or the development of extramedullary leukemia. Disease-free survival (DFS) was measured from the date of CR until the date of relapse or death; patients alive and relapse-free at last follow-up were censored. Overall survival (OS) was measured from the date on study until the date of death, and patients alive at last follow-up were censored.

Statistical analyses

All analyses were performed by the Alliance for Clinical Trials in Oncology Statistics and Data Center. The median follow-up for patients alive included in the outcome analyses was 4.7 years (range, 1.9-9.9 years). Pretreatment demographic, clinical, and molecular features were compared using the Fisher's exact and Wilcoxon rank-sum tests for categorical and continuous variables, respectively. Survival estimates were calculated using the Kaplan-Meier method, and the log-rank test evaluated differences between survival distributions. Logistic regression and Cox proportional hazards models were

generated to compare, respectively, CR achievement and survival (DFS, OS) end points. For these models, odds ratios were calculated for CR achievement and hazard ratios for survival, along with *P*-values from the Wald test.

Multivariable models in sole +8 AML patients

Multivariable logistic regression models and Cox proportional hazards models were constructed to analyze factors related to the probability of achieving CR and for survival end points (DFS and OS) respectively, using a limited backwards selection procedure. Variables considered for model inclusion were sex, race, hemoglobin, platelet count, white blood count (WBC), percentage of blood blasts, percentage of BM blasts, percentage of metaphases with +8 in BM (<80% vs ≥80%), *NPM1* (mutated vs wildtype), *RUNX1* (mutated vs wild-type), *ASXL1* (mutated vs wild-type), *FLT3*-ITD (present vs absent), *FLT3*-TKD (present vs absent), *IDH1* (mutated vs wild-type), *IDH2* (mutated vs wild-type), *TET2* (mutated vs wild-type), *DNMT3A* (mutated vs wild-type), *RAS* (*NRAS* or *KRAS* mutated vs *NRAS* and *KRAS* wild-type), *CEBPA* (mutated vs wildtype), *WT1* (mutated vs wild-type), *BAALC* expression (high vs low), *miR-155* expression (high vs low), and *miR-3151* expression (high vs low). Variables considered for inclusion were those significant at α =0.20 from the univariable models. For DFS and OS, the proportional hazards assumption was checked for each variable individually. If the proportional hazards assumption was not met for a particular variable, then an artificial time-dependent covariate was included in all models that contained that variable. 32

Genome-wide gene- and microRNA-expression analyses

Gene-expression profiles were derived using U133 plus 2.0 arrays (Affymetrix) from pretreatment samples of 67 sole +8 (BM, n=53; blood, n=14) and 367 cytogenetically normal (CN) AML patients (BM, n=283; blood, n=84). Summary measures of gene expression were computed for each probe-set using the robust multichip average (RMA) method, which incorporates quantile normalization of arrays. Expression values were logged (base 2) before analysis. A filtering step was performed to remove probesets that did not display significant variation in expression across arrays; a gene was excluded when less than 20% of its expression data had at least a 1.5-fold change in either direction from the gene's median value, or percent of data missing exceeded 50%. Multiple probesets were reduced to one per gene symbol by using the maximally expressed probeset measured by average intensity across samples. A total of 7,899 genes passed the filtering criterion. A comparison of gene expression was made between sole +8 and CN-AML patients, using a univariable significance level of 0.001.

MicroRNA-expression profiles were assessed using custom microRNA arrays (OSU CCC version 4.0) on pretreatment BM of sole $+8$ (n=53) and CN-AML patients (n=54). To account for batch effects, the microRNA profiles of sole +8 and CN-AML patients were analyzed in the same array batch. Due to limitations on material availability, the CN-AML cohort analyzed for microRNAs was restricted to patients aged ≥60 years. For microRNA-expression microarrays, signal intensities were calculated for each spot making an adjustment for local background. Intensities were log-transformed and log-intensities from replicate spots were averaged. Quantile normalization was

performed on arrays using all human microRNA-probes represented on the array. For each microRNA probe, an adjustment was made for batch effects (i.e., differences in expression related to the batch in which arrays were hybridized). Further analysis was limited to the 354 mature human microRNAs that passed filtering criteria. For microRNAs with more than one probe, the expression was determined as the average expression of the probes. A comparison of microRNA-expression was made between sole +8 and CN-AML patients using a univariable significance level of 0.005.

Analyses were performed using BRB-ArrayTools version 4.3.1 Stable Release developed by Dr. Richard Simon and Amy Peng Lam.

Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA)

The GSEA analysis was performed to determine chromosomes whose genes were significantly up- or downregulated in sole +8 compared with CN-AML patients. Of the 7,899 filtered genes included in our study, 7,895 were studied in the GSEA. One thousand permutations were performed and a normalized enrichment score was used in conjunction with a familywise-error rate (FWER) p-value. FWER is a conservatively estimated probability that the normalized enrichment score represents a false positive finding.

Prediction of sole +8 status from expression profiles

We implemented the compound covariate predictor to predict sole +8 status of patients based on the expression patterns of 189 genes located on chromosome 8 and significantly unregulated in sole $+8$ when compared to CN-AML.^{33,34} A sample was classified to the sole +8 class if the compound covariate predictor for the 189 genes (∑*iwi xi*) was larger than the threshold of 7551.25. We estimated the prediction error of each model using leave-one-out cross-validation (LOOCV). For each LOOCV training set, the entire model building process was repeated, including the gene selection process. We also evaluated whether the cross-validated error rate estimate for a model was significantly less than one would expect from random prediction. The class labels were randomly permuted and the entire LOOCV process was repeated. The significance level is the proportion of the random permutations that gave a crossvalidated error rate no greater than the cross-validated error rate obtained with the real data (1000 random permutations were used).

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Supplementary Table S2. Pretreatment characteristics of patients with *de novo* acute myeloid leukemia and sole +8 included in outcome analyses

Abbreviations: WBC, white blood count; FAB, French-American-British classification; *FLT3*-ITD, internal tandem duplication of the *FLT3* gene; *FLT3*-TKD, tyrosine kinase domain mutations of the *FLT3* gene.
^a FAB morphology was centrally reviewed.

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^b The median expression value was used as a cut point. It was calculated based on the expression levels assessed by RT-PCR.
^c The median expression value was used as a cut point. It was calculated based on the expression

levels on the Affymetrix array.

^d *P*-values compare patients who are <60 years vs ≥60 years. For baseline continuous variables the Wilcoxon rank sum test was used, for baseline categorical variables the Fisher's exact test was used.

[i.e., t(9;11)(p22;q23) or cytogenetic abnormalities not classified as favorable or adverse without sole +8]; NA, not achieved.

Supplementary Table S4. Outcome comparison of younger patients with *de novo* AML and sole +8 according to *FLT3*-ITD mutation status, and of older patients with *de novo* AML and sole +8 according to *TET2* mutation status.

Abbreviations: OR, odds ratio; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.
^a *P*-values compare patients who are *FLT3*-ITD positive vs negative or *TET2* mutated vs wild-type. For CR, the Wald test was used from the logistic regression model. For overall and disease-free survival, the Wald test was used from the Cox regression models.

Supplementary Table S5. List of genes differentially expressed between sole +8 *versus* cytogenetically normal *de novo* acute myeloid leukemia patients

see separate Excel file

Supplementary Table S6. MicroRNAs in the expression signature comparing sole +8 and cytogenetically normal patients with *de novo* acute myeloid leukemia

Supplementary Table S7. microRNAs located exclusively on chromosome 8^a

Abbreviation: CN, cytogenetically normal.
^a microRNAs with gene copies located on different chromosomes are not included in the Table. The foldchanges and *P*-values pertain to the comparison of sole +8 *versus* cytogenetically normal *de novo* acute myeloid leukemia patients.

Supplementary Figure Legends

Supplementary Figure S1. Distribution of mutations among 80 patients with *de novo* AML and sole +8. Each row represents a mutation, and each column a patient. Red indicates a mutation, light gray, wild-type, and dark gray, undetermined. In the last row, the age group each patient belonged to is displayed, with light blue indicating age <60 years and dark blue, ≥60 years. For *CEBPA*, it is indicated whether a single (1) or double (2) mutation was present. At the bottom, asterisks indicate patients with a tetrasomy 8, and the number of mutations per each patient is shown in a separate graph underneath.

Supplementary Figure S2. Overall survival of (**a**) younger patients with *de novo* AML and sole +8 according to *FLT3*-ITD mutation status, and (**b**) older patients with *de novo* AML and sole +8 according to *TET2* mutation status. Outcome data are also provided in Supplementary Table S4.

Supplementary Figure S3. Chromosomal localization of genes comprising the geneexpression signature, and expression patterns of genes located on chromosome 8. (**a**) Chromosome distribution of genes significantly differentially expressed between *de novo* AML patients with sole +8 and those with cytogenetically normal AML (CN-AML). The bars represent the proportion of genes mapped to the pertinent chromosome of all filtered genes analyzed by gene-expression profiling (blue bars), the genes significantly upregulated (red bars) and the genes significantly downregulated (green bars) in sole +8 AML compared with CN-AML. One gene was omitted from the graph due to missing information on chromosome location. (**b**) Chromosome 8 expression map. The sole +8 versus CN-AML fold-changes are plotted on a log scale for each filtered gene (n=309) mapped to chromosome 8 according to its location on chromosome 8. All chromosome 8-genes (i.e., not only those included in the signature) are displayed. Each gene is represented by a dot. Dots may superimpose due to the density of genes.

Supplementary Figure S4. Gene Ontology (GO) analysis of the 81 genes whose expression was ≥1.5-fold higher in sole +8 versus CN-AML. Cytoscope and BinGO were used to evaluate the significance of the cellular processes and molecular functions associated with the genes over-expressed in +8 AML. BiNGO determines which GO categories are statistically overrepresented in a set of genes. It uses the hypergeometric test (without replacement) to provide an accurate answer in the form of a *P*-value, and it maps the predominant functional themes of a given gene set on the GO hierarchy as a Cytoscape graph. The False Discovery Rate (FDR), i.e., the expected proportion of false positives among the positively identified tests is controlled using the Benjamini & Hochberg correction, which provides strong control over the FDR under positive regression dependency of the null hypotheses. The genes overrepresented in +8 AML and associated with response to chemical stimulus (corrected P-value=4.75x10⁻³) were *LPL*, *EIF2C2*, *LY96*, *GGH*, *FOXO1*, *GJA1*, *ABCB1*, *AK4*, *DPYSL2*, *RRM2B*, *SDC2*, *DDIT4*, *THBD*, *EPS8*, *ADM*, *ID1*, *ALDH2*, *CTSB*, and *ADAM9*; and genes associated with organ development were *EGR3*, *FHL1*, *FOXO1*, *GJA1*, *NID1*, *DPYSL2*, *RRM2B*, *TPD52*, *FZD6*, *HOOK3*, *TNS3*, *PTK2*, *APP*, *ADM*, *ID1*, *ALDH2*, *CTSB*, *LAMC1*, *EMP1*, and *ADAM9*. The graph visualizes the GO categories significantly overrepresented in the context of the GO hierarchy. The size (area) of the nodes is proportional to the

number of genes in the test set which are annotated to that node. The color of the node represents the corrected *P*-value. White nodes are not significantly overrepresented, the other ones are, with a color scale ranging from yellow (*P*-value <=0.05) to dark orange (P-value <10⁻⁶). In addition to the biological processes displayed in the graph, genes associated with extracellular matrix organization (corrected P-value=4.75x10⁻³) were *NID1*, *SPARC*, *PLEKHA2*, and *ADAM9*.

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