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### Software and code

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Data collection

No software was used for data collection

Data analysis

Image Analysis (PLA): Image J (v. 1.x) and BlobFinder software (v. 3.2)  
 FACS Analysis: FLOWJo (v. 10.4)  
 Statistical analyses: GraphPad Prism (v. 8.3.0) or SPSS (v. 24)  
 RNA-seq analyses were performed using the following softwares: the base calling was performed by using BCL2Fastq pipeline (v. 0.3.0) and bcl2fastq (v. 2.17.1.14). PCA, Differential expression analysis and additional statistical tests related to RNA-seq were performed using R and bioconductor packages. The quality of the raw paired-end reads from the RNA-Seq dataset was assessed using the program FastQC (v. 0.11.5) (Andrews 2010). After adapter clipping, quality trimming and length filtering was performed using the program Trimmomatic (v.0.36) (Bolger et al., 2014), the high-quality paired-end reads were mapped in a paired-end aware, strand-specific manner to the Ensembl mouse reference genome (GRCm38.dna.chr) using the splice-aware mapper TopHat (v. 2.1.1) (Kim et al. 2013) with the aligner Bowtie2 (v. 2.3.2.) (Langmead et al. 2012). FeatureCounts (Liao et al. 2014) was used to count uniquely mapped read pairs in a strand-specific manner using the Ensembl mouse gene annotation (GRCm38.89.chr.gtf) to create a raw read count table which was then read into the R statistical computing environment (<https://www.R-project.org/>). The edgeR Bioconductor package (v. 3.18.1) (Robinson et al. 2010) was then used to normalize the filtered read counts (TMM normalization) and to test for differentially expressed genes using the glmTreat function (FDR<0.05; fold change > 1.5). Stand alone GSEA package (Subramanian et al. 2005) and Molecular Signatures Database (MSigDB; v. 6.2) (Liberzon et al. 2011) were used for gene set enrichment analysis.  
 The scripts used for analysis and figure generation are available at <https://github.com/medhaniea/pca-and-heatmap>.

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## Life sciences study design

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Sample size	No sample size calculation was applied in this study. Experiments were performed independently for at least 3 times in an unbiased manner. Animal and patient sample size was determined by experimental feasibility and sample availability to demonstrate certain results.
Data exclusions	No data was purposely omitted for the purpose of data analyses.
Replication	All in vitro studies included biological replications (three biological replicates at least) and statistics were indicated in the legends. Experiments were performed by at least two researchers to ensure reproducibility. All attempts of replication were successful. In vivo validation was conducted by an independent research team.
Randomization	Mice, with comparable weights, were randomly allocated into each treatment group. For in vitro experiments, samples were allocated into experimental groups by the confirmed genetic modification of the cell line (e.g. Tamoxifen-induced deletion, STAT5-CA protein overexpression) and/or culturing conditions (e.g. vehicle or treatment).
Blinding	Investigators were blinded to group allocation and data analysis.

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## Antibodies

Antibodies used

Antibody	Specificity	Host/ Isotype	Conjugate	Clone	Class	Supplier	Catalog number	Lot number	Dilution	
CD8	Mouse	Rat/IgG2a	PE	53-6.7	Monoclonal	BD Biosciences	553033	64081	1:100	
CD11b	Mouse	Rat/IgG2bk	PE	M1/70	Monoclonal	Invitrogen	12-0112-82	1912143	1:400	
CD19	Mouse	Rat/IgG2ak	PerCP-Cy	5.5 1D3	Monoclonal	BD Biosciences	551001	9178619	1:200	
B220	(CD45)	Mouse/Human	Rat/IgG2ak	PE-Cy7	RA3-6B2	Monoclonal	Invitrogen	25-0452-82	2008222	1:200
CD127	(IL7R)	Mouse/Human	Rat/IgG2ak	APC	D7715A7	Monoclonal	BD Biosciences	564175	7215841	1:100
CD127	(IL7R)	Mouse/Human	Rat/IgG2ak	eFluor 660	A7R34	Monoclonal	Invitrogen	50-1271-82	4335207	1:100

CXCR4 Mouse Rat/IgG2bk Alxa Fluor 647 L276F12 Monoclonal BioLegend 146504 B250543 1:60  
 CXCR4 Mouse Rat/IgG2bk BV421 L276F12 Monoclonal BioLegend 146511 B241213 1:100  
 Kappa Mouse Goat/IgG PE - polyclonal SouthernBiotech 1050-09 C0916-RG37B 1:100  
 IgM Mouse Goat/IgG Cy5 - Polyclonal Jackson ImmunoResearch 115-175-075 Unknown 1:300  
 IgM Mouse Goat/IgG2ak eFluor450 eb121-15F9 Monoclonal eBioscience 48-5890-82 2082929 1:300  
 IgM Mouse Rat/IgG1 APC 1B4B1 Monoclonal SouthernBiotech 1140-11 E5802-M523X 1:100  
 FOXO1 Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled C29H4 Monoclonal Cell signaling 2880S 11 1:100  
 Anti-rabbit IgG (H+L), F(ab')<sub>2</sub> Fragment Anti Rabbit IgG Fab2 Goat AF647 - Polyclonal Cell signaling 4414 16 1:200  
 hCD19 Human Mouse/IgG1k PE HIB19 Monoclonal BioLegend 302208 B273506 1:200  
 mCD45 Mouse Rat/IgG2b APC I3/2.3 Monoclonal BioLegend 147708 B237012 1:100  
 hCD45 Human Mouse/IgG1K FITC HI30 Monoclonal BioLegend 304006 B234201 1:100

#### Antibodies used for western blot

Antibody	Specificity	Host/Isotype	Conjugate	Clone	Class	Supplier	Catalog number	Lot number	Dilution
FOXO1	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	C29H4	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	2880	11	1:1000		
pFoxO1	Rabbit unlabeled	E1F7T	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	84192	1	1:1000		
pAKT (S473)	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	D9E	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	4060	24	1:1000		
pSTAT5	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	C71E5	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	9314	22	1:1000		
STAT5	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	D3N2B	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	9363	3	1:1000		
JAK1	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	64G	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	3332	6	1:1000		
JAK2	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	D2E12	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	3230	11	1:1000		
JAK3	Mouse/Human Rabbit/IgG unlabeled	D7B12	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	8863	Unknown	1:1000		
pJAK1(Y1022/1023)	Mouse/Human Rabbit unlabeled	-	Polyclonal	Cell signaling	3331	5	1:1000		
pJAK2(Y1007/1008)	Mouse/Human Rabbit unlabeled	-	Polyclonal	Cell signaling	3771	10	1:1000		
pJAK3(Y980)	Mouse/Human Rabbit unlabeled	D44E3	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	5031	7	1:1000		
GAPDH	Rabbit unlabeled	14C10	Monoclonal	Cell signaling	2118	10	1:1000		
Anti-rabbit IgG	Rabbit Goat HRP-linked	-	Polyclonal	Cell signaling	7074	27	1:1000		

#### Validation

All primary antibodies were validated commercially and reviewed by peers. Each primary antibody data provided in the manuscript has been validated for the species and application on the manufacturer's website. Detailed information are provided in supplementary table 4.

## Eukaryotic cell lines

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#### Cell line source(s)

697, SUP-B15, and TOM-1 cell lines were obtained from DSMZ.

#### Authentication

Cell lines were authenticated using FACS (markers for BCP-ALL such as hCD19, hCD45) and RT-PCR was used to confirm the chromosomal translocation for BCR-ABL+ phenotype

#### Mycoplasma contamination

All cell lines were tested negative for mycoplasma contamination

#### Commonly misidentified lines (See [ICLAC](#) register)

No commonly misidentified lines were used in this study

## Animals and other organisms

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#### Laboratory animals

WT (B6), IL7Ra KO, IL7Raf1/fl, CXCR4fl/fl, FOXO1fl/fl, NOD-SCID, and NSG mice. Mice used were female and of 8-12 weeks old.

#### Wild animals

No wild animals were used in this study

#### Field-collected samples

No field-collected samples were used in this study

#### Ethics oversight

NSG mice housing, breeding, and surgical procedures were approved by the governmental animal care and use committees in Schleswig-Holstein (Ministerium für Energiewende, Landwirtschaft, Umwelt, Natur und Digitalisierung). All other mice housing, breeding, and surgical procedures were approved by the governmental institutions of Baden-Württemberg (Regierungspräsidium Tübingen).

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## Human research participants

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Population characteristics	A detailed description of population characteristics is provided in Supplementary table 3.
Recruitment	Patients were consecutively recruited into the clinical trials mentioned in the methods section. Patients for the analyses performed in this manuscript were selected according to BCR-ABL positivity. All patients with BCR-ABL positivity were analyzed, there is no selection bias impacting the results.
Ethics oversight	The EsPhALL 2004 and 2010 and ALL Berlin-Frankfurt-Münster (BFM) 2000 protocols were approved by the Ethical committee of the "Medizinische Hochschule Hannover".

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## Clinical data

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Clinical trial registration	NCT00287105 and NCT00430118
Study protocol	Full trial protocol can be accessed: <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00287105">https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00287105</a> and <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00430118?term=NCT00430118&amp;draw=2&amp;rank=1">https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00430118?term=NCT00430118&amp;draw=2&amp;rank=1</a>
Data collection	<p>1-NCT00287105: Recent advances in treatment have increased the cure of childhood ALL to 75% or better. However, attempts to improve results for resistant subtypes of ALL, such as Ph+ ALL, have been largely unsuccessful. Imatinib, an inhibitor of protein-tyrosine kinases, is currently being tested in several phase I, II and III trials covering most Chronic Myeloid Leukemia patient populations and patients with overtly relapsed or refractory Ph+ALL. Pediatric patients with Ph+ALL will receive Imatinib, added to intensive, post-induction BFM-type chemotherapy. The endpoint will be the evaluation on the long-term clinical outcome, in particular on the Disease Free Survival (DFS).</p> <p>-Study Design:  Study Type : Interventional (Clinical Trial)  Actual Enrollment : 49 participants  Allocation: Non-Randomized  Intervention Model: Single Group Assignment  Masking: None (Open Label)  Primary Purpose: Treatment  Official Title: An Open-label, Phase II Study to Explore the Safety and Efficacy of Imatinib With Chemotherapy in Pediatric Patients With Ph+ / BCR-ABL+ Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (Ph+ALL)  Actual Study Start Date : December 2005  Actual Primary Completion Date : March 30, 2016  Actual Study Completion Date : March 3, 2017  --Locations: please refer to <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00287105">https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00287105</a> for detailed recruitment locations</p> <p>2-NCT00430118: Drugs used in chemotherapy work in different ways to stop the growth of cancer cells, either by killing the cells or by stopping them from dividing. Giving more than one drug (combination chemotherapy) may kill more cancer cells. It is not yet known which combination chemotherapy regimen is more effective in treating young patients with acute lymphoblastic leukemia.</p> <p>-PURPOSE: This phase III trial is studying several different combination chemotherapy regimens to compare how well they work in treating young patients with acute lymphoblastic leukemia.</p> <p>-Study Design:  Study Type : Interventional (Clinical Trial)  Actual Enrollment : 4559 participants  Allocation: Randomized  Intervention Model: Factorial Assignment  Masking: None (Open Label)  Primary Purpose: Treatment  Official Title: ALL-BFM 2000 Multi-Center Study for the Treatment of Children and Adolescents With Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia  Study Start Date : July 2000  Actual Primary Completion Date : January 2012  Actual Study Completion Date : January 2012  --Locations: please refer to <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00430118?term=NCT00430118&amp;draw=2&amp;rank=1">https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00430118?term=NCT00430118&amp;draw=2&amp;rank=1</a> for detailed recruitment locations</p>
Outcomes	<p>1-NCT00287105:</p> <p>-Primary Outcome Measures: Disease free survival (DFS). DFS will be calculated as the time from inclusion to either one of the following events: relapse, death in CCR, second malignancies. [ Time Frame: 2 years ]</p> <p>-Secondary Outcome Measures :</p>

a- Compare long term outcome between patients treated by BFM-chemotherapy and patient undergoing more intensive chemotherapy (protocole COGAALL0031 : Children Oncology Group-USA). [ Time Frame: 2 years ]  
 b- Long-term clinical outcome : Disease free survival (DFS), Event-Free Survival (EFS) and Overall Survival (OS) in each risk groups. [ Time Frame: 2 years ]  
 c-Pattern of molecular response (MRD) [ Time Frame: 5 time points between S4 and S22 ]  
 d-Conversion rate to CR in patients resistant to the first part of the induction phase of chemotherapy included in the Poor-risk group. [ Time Frame: 2 years ]

2-NCT00430118:

Primary Outcome Measures :

a-Efficacy of dexamethasone vs prednisone during the induction phase [ Time Frame: End of Trial ]  
 b- Event-free survival (EFS) and overall survival after initial remission in intermediate-risk and high-risk patients [ Time Frame: End of Trial ]  
 c-Safety and efficacy of treatment reduction during reintensification in standard-risk patients [ Time Frame: End of Trial ]  
 d-EFS after second delayed reintensification in intermediate-risk patients [ Time Frame: End of Trial ]  
 e-Outcome after extended reintensification therapy in high-risk patients [ Time Frame: End of Trial ]

## Flow Cytometry

### Plots

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### Methodology

Sample preparation

Samples isolated from Spleen or BM: Mice were sacrificed and specific lymphatic organs (bone marrow and spleen) were isolated and transferred into 5 ml of PBS buffer and single cell suspension was prepared. The cells were centrifuged at 1200 rpm 4°C for 5 min then resuspended in RBC lysis buffer for 3-10 min in ice. Cells were then washed with PBS, were passed through a 40 µm cell strainer and resuspended in FACS buffer. Total cell number was enumerated and dead cells were excluded by trypan blue stain. Otherwise, cells were collected directly from cell culture, washed with PBS and processed as described above.

Extracellular staining: 1x10<sup>6</sup> cells were transferred into a FACS tube and used for staining. The samples were centrifuged and the supernatant was removed, and the cell pellets were resuspended with 25 µl of fluorescent antibody dilution mix. The tubes were incubated on ice covered from light for 20 min. The cells were washed with 0.7-1.0 ml of FACS buffer, and the cell pellet was resuspended in 100-300 µl of FACS buffer. The tubes were kept on ice covered from light before FACS analysis (not later than 2-3 hr).

Intracellular staining, at least 1-2x10<sup>6</sup> cells were used. Surface staining was performed first, when needed, and then the cells were washed once with 1xPBS. Intracellular FACS staining was done using Fix and perm cell permeabilization kit (ADG) following manufacturer's instructions. After fixation 10 min at RT, cells were washed with 500 µl 1xPBS and then incubated with the primary antibody diluted in the kit-accompanied diluent for 12-20 min at RT. The cells were then washed twice with 500 µl freshly made saponin buffer (0.5% saponin, 0.5% BSA and 0.02% NaN<sub>3</sub> in PBS). When required, labeled secondary antibody was used and the staining procedure mentioned before was repeated.

Instrument

FACS Canto II Cytometer (BD Biosciences) was used for flow cytometry.

Software

FACSDiva (BD Biosciences) was used for data acquiring FlowJo v.10.1 was used for data analysis.

Cell population abundance

In general, sorting led to >95% purity as indicated by FACS. Purity was controlled by running the post-sorted sample by FACS.

Gating strategy

Lymphocytes gate was analyzed depending on distinguished FSC vs. SSC properties. Singlets were then selected (FSC-W vs FSC-H then SSC-W vs SSC-H). When applicable, dead lymphocytes were excluded (using Sytox® blue dead cell stain; Life Technologies, or Fix viability dye) and the living cells were further analyzed according to their surface or intracellular protein stains. At least 1x10<sup>6</sup> cells were used per staining and 100,000 total events were collected from each sample when possible. Isotype antibodies or unstained cells were used as negative controls to indicate the boundaries between negative and positive populations. The sample preparations from different organs or acquired at different timepoints were treated in a comparable way and were acquired using the same settings.

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