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Supplemental Table 1 – List of variables offered to multivariable models

Patient-related variables	Categories
Recipient age	10-year increase
Recipient age decade	40-49, 50-59, 60+
Recipient sex	Male, Female
Karnofsky performance-status score	10-80, 90-100
Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation Comorbidity Index	0, 1-2, 3
Recipient telomere length quartiles	Shortest, Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ), Longest
Predisposing condition	No, Yes
Disease-related variables	Categories
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	< 0.8, 8-10, >= 10
Platelet count (x 109/L)	< 50, 50-100, >= 100
Absolute neutrophil count (x 109/L)	< 0.8, >= 0.8
Bone marrow blasts at diagnosis (%)	<2, 2-5, 6-10, >10
Bone marrow blasts at transplantation (%)	<2, 2-5, 6-10, >10
TP53	No mutation, Mutation
JAK2 V617F	No mutation, Mutation
RAS-tyrosine kinase pathway	No mutation, Mutation
IPSS-R Risk score prior to transplantation	Very low, Low, Intermediate, High, Very high
IPSS-R Risk score prior to transplantation, Very high	Very high, Others
IPSS-R Cytogenetic Risk group, Very poor	Very poor, Others
Monosomal Karyotype	No, Yes, Unknown
Prior MDS therapy	None, Hypomethylating agent (HMA), Chemotherapy +/- HMA
MDS type	De novo MDS, Therapy-related MDS
Shaffer score <sup>1</sup>	Low (0-1) < Int (2-3) < High (4-5) < Very High (6+)
Transplant-related variables	Categories
Conditioning intensity	Myeloablative, Reduced intensity, Nonmyeloablative
Conditioning intensity	Myeloablative, Reduced intensity
Conditioning intensity	Myeloablative, Reduced intensity Fludarabine/Melphalan -based, Reduced intensity non-Fludarabine/Melphalan -based, Nonmyeloablative
Donor group	Matched Related, Matched Unrelated, Mismatched, Cord Blood
Donor age	< 35, >= 35, Missing
Donor sex	Male, Female
Donor sex match	Unmatched, Matched
Donor type	Bone marrow, PBSC, Cord blood, Other
In vivo T-cell depletion	No, Yes
GVHD prophylaxis	None reported, ex vivo T-cell depletion, CD34 selection, Cyclophosphamide-based, Tacrolimus-based, CSA-based, Other
Year of transplantation	2005-2007, 2008-2014

**Supplemental Table 2 – HCT-CI unadjusted multivariable models for overall survival, non-relapse mortality, and relapse**

	Cox: Overall Survival			CRR: NRM			CRR: Relapse			
	Total	Events		Events		Events		Events		
	n = 1267 (%)	n = 835 (66)	HR (95% CI)	P	n = 459 (36)	HR (95% CI)	P	n = 472 (37)	HR (95% CI)	P
<b>TP53</b>										
No mutation	1005 (79)	622 (74)	Reference		365 (80)	Reference		339 (72)	Reference	
Mutation	262 (21)	213 (26)	1.72 (1.46, 2.02)	< 0.001	94 (20)	0.98 (0.77, 1.25)	0.89	133 (28)	1.75 (1.42, 2.17)	< 0.001
<b>IPSSR</b>										
Other	1133 (89)	723 (87)	Reference		404 (88)	Reference		407 (86)	Reference	
Very high	134 (11)	112 (13)	1.69 (1.37, 2.07)	< 0.001	55 (12)	1.15 (0.85, 1.57)	0.37	65 (14)	1.42 (1.06, 1.91)	0.02
<b>Recipient telomere length quartile</b>										
Longest	317 (25)	174 (21)	Reference		91 (20)	Reference		111 (24)	Reference	
Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	633 (50)	433 (52)	1.35 (1.13, 1.62)	< 0.001	233 (51)	1.31 (1.03, 1.68)	0.03	244 (52)	1.09 (0.87, 1.36)	0.47
Shortest	317 (25)	228 (27)	1.52 (1.24, 1.85)	< 0.001	135 (29)	1.57 (1.20, 2.06)	0.001	117 (25)	1.02 (0.78, 1.32)	0.9
<b>Donor group</b>										
Matched, related	165 (13)	100 (12)	Reference		37 (8)	Reference		74 (16)	Reference	
Matched, unrelated	755 (60)	480 (57)	1.09 (0.86, 1.39)	0.46	268 (58)	1.57 (1.08, 2.27)	0.02	277 (59)	0.82 (0.62, 1.10)	0.19
Mismatched	242 (19)	181 (22)	1.55 (1.19, 2.01)	0.001	111 (24)	2.26 (1.53, 3.36)	< 0.001	82 (17)	0.73 (0.52, 1.03)	0.07
Cord Blood	105 (8)	74 (9)	1.76 (1.26, 2.48)	0.001	43 (9)	2.13 (1.28, 3.53)	0.004	39 (8)	0.92 (0.59, 1.43)	0.70
<b>RAS-tyrosine kinase pathway</b>										
No mutation	1118 (88)	724 (87)	Reference		404 (88)	Reference		409 (87)	Reference	
Mutation	149 (12)	111 (13)	1.35 (1.10, 1.65)	0.004	55 (12)	1.02 (0.75, 1.38)	0.91	63 (13)	1.25 (0.94, 1.67)	0.13
<b>Donor age</b>										
< 35 years old	755 (60)	487 (58)	Reference		279 (61)	Reference		270 (57)	Reference	
35 years or older	503 (40)	343 (41)	1.25 (1.07, 1.45)	0.005	178 (39)	1.11 (0.90, 1.36)	0.32	198 (42)	1.07 (0.87, 1.32)	0.50
Missing	9 (1)	5 (1)	0.73 (0.30, 1.79)	0.50	2 (0)	0.52 (0.13, 2.08)	0.35	4 (1)	1.31 (0.55, 3.12)	0.54
<b>Age</b>										
10 year increase	1267 (100)	835 (100)	1.15 (1.04, 1.27)	0.005	459 (100)	1.10 (0.96, 1.26)	0.18	472 (100)	1.09 (0.96, 1.24)	0.17
<b>Year of transplantation</b>										
2005-2007	219 (17)	163 (20)	Reference		97 (21)	Reference		80 (17)	Reference	
2008-2014	1048 (83)	672 (80)	0.78 (0.65, 0.93)	0.007	362 (79)	0.79 (0.62, 1.00)	0.06	392 (83)	0.97 (0.75, 1.26)	0.82
<b>Karnofsky Performance Score</b>										
90-100	640 (51)	410 (49)	Reference		227 (49)	Reference		232 (49)	Reference	
10-80	382 (30)	272 (33)	1.23 (1.06, 1.44)	0.008	160 (35)	1.21 (0.99, 1.49)	0.07	134 (28)	0.95 (0.76, 1.19)	0.67
Missing	245 (19)	153 (18)	1.03 (0.85, 1.24)	0.80	72 (16)	0.86 (0.66, 1.14)	0.30	106 (22)	1.24 (0.98, 1.57)	0.08
<b>JAK2 V617F</b>										
No mutation	1232 (97)	806 (97)	Reference		439 (96)	Reference		461 (98)	Reference	
Mutation	35 (3)	29 (3)	1.58 (1.09, 2.30)	0.02	20 (4)	1.81 (1.11, 2.94)	0.02	11 (2)	0.89 (0.49, 1.62)	0.71

**Supplemental Table 3 – Multivariable models with HCT-CI**  
HCT-CI was forced into the multivariable models shown in supplemental Table 2.

	Total n = 1267 (%)	Cox: Overall Survival			CRR: NRM			CRR: Relapse		
		Events n = 835 (66)	HR (95% CI)	P	Events n = 459 (36)	HR (95% CI)	P	Events n = 472 (37)	HR (95% CI)	P
<b>TP53</b>										
No mutation	1005 (79)	622 (74)	Reference		365 (80)	Reference		339 (72)	Reference	
Mutation	262 (21)	213 (26)	1.69 (1.43, 2.00)	< 0.001	94 (20)	0.97 (0.76, 1.25)	0.84	133 (28)	1.76 (1.42, 2.19)	< 0.001
<b>IPSSR</b>										
Other	1133 (89)	723 (87)	Reference		404 (88)	Reference		407 (86)	Reference	
Very high	134 (11)	112 (13)	1.66 (1.35, 2.05)	< 0.001	55 (12)	1.14 (0.84, 1.56)	0.40	65 (14)	1.44 (1.07, 1.94)	0.02
<b>Recipient telomere length quartile</b>										
Longest	317 (25)	174 (21)	Reference		91 (20)	Reference		111 (24)	Reference	
Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	633 (50)	433 (52)	1.34 (1.12, 1.60)	0.001	233 (51)	1.30 (1.02, 1.67)	0.04	244 (52)	1.09 (0.87, 1.37)	0.46
Shortest	317 (25)	228 (27)	1.49 (1.22, 1.83)	< 0.001	135 (29)	1.56 (1.19, 2.04)	0.001	117 (25)	1.02 (0.78, 1.33)	0.88
<b>Donor group</b>										
Matched, related	165 (13)	100 (12)	Reference		37 (8)	Reference		74 (16)	Reference	
Matched, unrelated	755 (60)	480 (57)	1.00 (0.66, 1.52)	0.99	268 (58)	1.08 (0.58, 2.01)	0.81	277 (59)	1.25 (0.74, 2.13)	0.40
Mismatched	242 (19)	181 (22)	1.41 (0.91, 2.18)	0.12	111 (24)	1.55 (0.82, 2.95)	0.18	82 (17)	1.12 (0.64, 1.94)	0.69
Cord Blood	105 (8)	74 (9)	1.63 (1.01, 2.64)	0.05	43 (9)	1.47 (0.72, 3.00)	0.29	39 (8)	1.38 (0.74, 2.58)	0.31
<b>RAS-tyrosine kinase pathway</b>										
No mutation	1118 (88)	724 (87)	Reference		404 (88)	Reference		409 (87)	Reference	
Mutation	149 (12)	111 (13)	1.35 (1.10, 1.66)	0.004	55 (12)	1.02 (0.76, 1.38)	0.89	63 (13)	1.25 (0.93, 1.67)	0.14
<b>Donor age</b>										
< 35 years old	755 (60)	487 (58)	Reference		279 (61)	Reference		270 (57)	Reference	
35 years or older	503 (40)	343 (41)	1.26 (1.08, 1.47)	0.004	178 (39)	1.13 (0.92, 1.39)	0.23	198 (42)	1.04 (0.84, 1.29)	0.73
Missing	9 (1)	5 (1)	0.75 (0.31, 1.82)	0.52	2 (0)	0.51 (0.12, 2.08)	0.35	4 (1)	1.36 (0.58, 3.16)	0.48
<b>Age</b>										
10 year increase	1267 (100)	835 (100)	1.14 (1.03, 1.26)	0.01	459 (100)	1.08 (0.94, 1.24)	0.27	472 (100)	1.11 (0.98, 1.27)	0.11
<b>Year of transplantation</b>										
2005-2007	219 (17)	163 (20)	Reference		97 (21)	Reference		80 (17)	Reference	
2008-2014	1048 (83)	672 (80)	0.70 (0.44, 1.11)	0.13	362 (79)	0.49 (0.25, 0.96)	0.04	392 (83)	1.64 (0.90, 2.97)	0.11
<b>Karnofsky Performance Score</b>										
90-100	640 (51)	410 (49)	Reference		227 (49)	Reference		232 (49)	Reference	
10-80	382 (30)	272 (33)	1.20 (1.03, 1.41)	0.02	160 (35)	1.18 (0.96, 1.45)	0.12	134 (28)	0.96 (0.77, 1.20)	0.75
Missing	245 (19)	153 (18)	1.01 (0.83, 1.23)	0.91	72 (16)	0.87 (0.66, 1.15)	0.34	106 (22)	1.20 (0.94, 1.53)	0.14
<b>JAK2 V617F</b>										
No mutation	1232 (97)	806 (97)	Reference		439 (96)	Reference		461 (98)	Reference	
Mutation	35 (3)	29 (3)	1.61 (1.11, 2.35)	0.01	20 (4)	1.84 (1.13, 3.01)	0.02	11 (2)	0.87 (0.48, 1.59)	0.65
<b>HCT-CI</b>										
0	185 (15)	102 (12)	Reference		60 (13)	Reference		65 (14)	Reference	
1-2	228 (18)	143 (17)	1.23 (0.95, 1.59)	0.11	82 (18)	1.13 (0.80, 1.58)	0.49	83 (18)	1.11 (0.80, 1.53)	0.55
3 or above	497 (39)	343 (41)	1.29 (1.03, 1.62)	0.03	193 (42)	1.22 (0.90, 1.65)	0.21	176 (37)	0.94 (0.70, 1.25)	0.66
Missing	357 (28)	247 (30)	1.09 (0.69, 1.73)	0.72	124 (27)	0.70 (0.36, 1.38)	0.30	148 (31)	1.70 (0.95, 3.03)	0.07

**Supplemental Table 4 – Association between somatic mutations and shortest and longest telomere length quartiles**

Shown is the number of patients with a mutation in each telomere group, odds ratio of patient with a mutation belonging to the longest vs the shortest telomere length quartile, and nominal P value using Fisher's exact test. Results shown for patients age 40 or older and genes mutated in 10 or more patients.

Gene	Total n = 1267 (%)	Telomere length quartile			Odds Ratio Longest vs Shortest	Nominal P value
		Shortest n = 317 (25)	Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) n = 633 (50)	Longest n = 317 (25)		
<i>SRSF2</i>	95 (7)	8 (3)	37 (6)	50 (16)	7.21	< 0.001
<i>DNMT3A</i>	220 (17)	41 (13)	101 (16)	78 (25)	2.19	< 0.001
<i>PPM1D</i>	87 (7)	33 (10)	40 (6)	14 (4)	0.4	0.01
<i>WT1</i>	21 (2)	12 (4)	6 (1)	3 (1)	0.24	0.03
<i>STAG2</i>	84 (7)	17 (5)	35 (6)	32 (10)	1.98	0.04
<i>ATM</i>	16 (1)	8 (3)	7 (1)	1 (0)	0.12	0.04
<i>NPM1</i>	22 (2)	11 (3)	8 (1)	3 (1)	0.27	0.05
<i>U2AF1</i>	117 (9)	40 (13)	52 (8)	25 (8)	0.59	0.07
<i>TP53</i>	262 (21)	69 (22)	142 (22)	51 (16)	0.69	0.08
<i>DDX41</i>	22 (2)	8 (3)	12 (2)	2 (1)	0.25	0.11
<i>CBL</i>	32 (3)	13 (4)	13 (2)	6 (2)	0.45	0.16
<i>SF3B1</i>	141 (11)	39 (12)	74 (12)	28 (9)	0.69	0.2
<i>KRAS</i>	22 (2)	4 (1)	9 (1)	9 (3)	2.28	0.26
<i>CEBPA</i>	13 (1)	3 (1)	3 (0)	7 (2)	2.36	0.34
<i>JAK2</i>	35 (3)	12 (4)	16 (3)	7 (2)	0.57	0.35
<i>RUNX1</i>	141 (11)	38 (12)	58 (9)	45 (14)	1.21	0.48
<i>NF1</i>	19 (1)	3 (1)	10 (2)	6 (2)	2.02	0.5
<i>BRCC3</i>	14 (1)	3 (1)	5 (1)	6 (2)	2.02	0.5
<i>GATA2</i>	27 (2)	8 (3)	14 (2)	5 (2)	0.62	0.58
<i>TET2</i>	177 (14)	45 (14)	81 (13)	51 (16)	1.16	0.58
<i>NRAS</i>	51 (4)	14 (4)	19 (3)	18 (6)	1.3	0.59
<i>BCOR</i>	64 (5)	18 (6)	32 (5)	14 (4)	0.77	0.59
<i>CSF3R</i>	15 (1)	2 (1)	9 (1)	4 (1)	2.01	0.69
<i>ETNK1</i>	18 (1)	5 (2)	10 (2)	3 (1)	0.6	0.72
<i>IDH1</i>	22 (2)	7 (2)	10 (2)	5 (2)	0.71	0.77
<i>CUX1</i>	28 (2)	8 (3)	10 (2)	10 (3)	1.26	0.81
<i>ZRSR2</i>	30 (2)	10 (3)	12 (2)	8 (3)	0.8	0.81
<i>IDH2</i>	41 (3)	13 (4)	17 (3)	11 (3)	0.84	0.84
<i>ASXL1</i>	262 (21)	67 (21)	125 (20)	70 (22)	1.06	0.85
<i>GNB1</i>	11 (1)	2 (1)	6 (1)	3 (1)	1.5	1
<i>PRPF8</i>	20 (2)	3 (1)	13 (2)	4 (1)	1.34	1
<i>SETBP1</i>	72 (6)	20 (6)	31 (5)	21 (7)	1.05	1
<i>PTPN11</i>	43 (3)	14 (4)	15 (2)	14 (4)	1	1
<i>PHF6</i>	42 (3)	9 (3)	24 (4)	9 (3)	1	1

<i>RAD21</i>	13 (1)	3 (1)	7 (1)	3 (1)	1	1
<i>BCORL1</i>	11 (1)	3 (1)	5 (1)	3 (1)	1	1
<i>ETV6</i>	53 (4)	16 (5)	22 (3)	15 (5)	0.93	1
<i>EZH2</i>	51 (4)	14 (4)	24 (4)	13 (4)	0.93	1
<i>RIT1</i>	10 (1)	4 (1)	3 (0)	3 (1)	0.75	1

**Supplemental Table 5 – Distribution of conditioning regimens by telomere length quartiles**

		Telomere length quartile		
	Total n = 1267 (%)	Shortest n = 317 (25)	Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) n = 633 (50)	Longest n = 317 (25)
<b>Myeloablative conditioning</b>				
Cy/TBI/others	4 (0)	1 (0)	2 (0)	1 (0)
CY/TBI	40 (3)	12 (4)	18 (3)	10 (3)
TBI/others	3 (0)	1 (0)	-	2 (1)
Bu/Flu	155 (12)	31 (10)	72 (11)	52 (16)
Thiotepa based	2 (0)	1 (0)	1 (0)	-
Bu/Cy/others	2 (0)	2 (1)	-	-
Bu/Cy	144 (11)	41 (13)	69 (11)	34 (11)
Bu/Flu + others	36 (3)	5 (2)	19 (3)	12 (4)
Bu + others	168 (13)	35 (11)	97 (15)	36 (11)
Flu/Melphalan	7 (1)	1 (0)	6 (1)	-
Treosulfan	8 (1)	4 (1)	4 (1)	-
Others	13 (1)	6 (2)	3 (0)	4 (1)
<b>Reduced-intensity conditioning</b>				
<b>Flu/Mel-based</b>				
Flu/Melphalan	197 (16)	41 (13)	99 (16)	57 (18)
Flu/Melphalan/others	23 (2)	8 (3)	11 (2)	4 (1)
<b>Other RIC</b>				
Bu/Flu	262 (21)	75 (24)	129 (20)	58 (18)
TBI+others	53 (4)	16 (5)	25 (4)	12 (4)
Bu/Flu/others	3 (0)	1 (0)	2 (0)	-
Bu/others	2 (0)	-	1 (0)	1 (0)
Others	15 (1)	4 (1)	7 (1)	4 (1)
<b>Non-myeloablative conditioning</b>				
TBI/Cy/Flu	52 (4)	7 (2)	30 (5)	15 (5)
TBI/Flu	26 (2)	9 (3)	9 (1)	8 (3)
Flu/Cy	14 (1)	5 (2)	6 (1)	3 (1)
Others	29 (2)	7 (2)	19 (3)	3 (1)
<b>Missing</b>	9 (1)	4 (1)	4 (1)	1 (0)

**Supplemental Table 6 – Reported causes of death according to telomere length groups and conditioning intensity**

	Shortest quartile			Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> )			Longest quartile		
	Total	RIC	MAC	Total	RIC	MAC	Total	RIC	MAC
	n = 227 (%)	n = 121 (53)	n = 106 (47)	n = 446 (%)	n = 243 (54)	n = 203 (46)	n = 183 (%)	n = 96 (52)	n = 87 (48)
Non-relapse mortality									
GVHD	34 (15)	17 (7)	17 (7)	59 (13)	35 (8)	24 (5)	19 (10)	12 (7)	7 (4)
Infection	31 (13)	15 (7)	16 (7)	54 (12)	21 (5)	33 (7)	19 (10)	7 (4)	12 (7)
Other	23 (10)	12 (5)	11 (5)	50 (11)	31 (7)	19 (4)	20 (11)	10 (5)	10 (5)
Organ failure	15 (7)	8 (3)	7 (3)	21 (5)	9 (2)	12 (3)	16 (9)	11 (6)	5 (3)
Non-infectious pulmonary disease	15 (7)	7 (3)	8 (3)	27 (6)	11 (2)	16 (4)	9 (5)	2 (1)	7 (4)
Primary disease	11 (5)	6 (3)	5 (2)	16 (4)	10 (2)	6 (1)	7 (4)	5 (3)	2 (1)
Other malignancy	4 (2)	3 (1)	1 (0)	5 (1)	4 (1)	1 (0)	1 (1)	1 (1)	-
Relapse									
Primary disease	66 (29)	36 (16)	30 (13)	158 (35)	89 (20)	69 (15)	67 (37)	35 (19)	32 (17)

**Supplemental Table 7 – Association between Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation Comorbidity Index (HCT-CI) components and telomere length groups**  
 Comorbidities defined according to Sorror et al.<sup>2</sup>

	Total n = 1267 (%)	Telomere length quartile			<i>p</i> -value	<i>FDR</i> corrected <i>p</i> -value
		Shortest n = 317 (25)	Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) n = 633 (50)	Longest n = 317 (25)		
<b>Infection</b>						
No	986 (78)	223 (70)	503 (79)	260 (82)	< 0.001†	0.004
Yes	57 (4)	23 (7)	28 (4)	6 (2)		
Missing	224 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Pulmonary</b>						
No	617 (49)	129 (41)	308 (49)	180 (57)	< 0.001†	0.004
Moderate	265 (21)	68 (21)	145 (23)	52 (16)		
Severe	161 (13)	49 (15)	78 (12)	34 (11)		
Missing	224 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Hepatic</b>						
No	960 (76)	220 (69)	482 (76)	258 (81)	0.001†	0.008
Mild	65 (5)	23 (7)	35 (6)	7 (2)		
Moderate/severe	18 (1)	3 (1)	14 (2)	1 (0)		
Missing	224 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Prior solid tumor</b>						
No	856 (68)	211 (67)	434 (69)	211 (67)	0.07†	0.21
Yes	186 (15)	35 (11)	97 (15)	54 (17)		
Missing	225 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	52 (16)		
<b>Arrhythmia</b>						
No	984 (78)	231 (73)	495 (78)	258 (81)	0.07†	0.21
Yes	55 (4)	15 (5)	33 (5)	7 (2)		
Missing	228 (18)	71 (22)	105 (17)	52 (16)		
<b>Cardiac</b>						
No	876 (69)	201 (63)	443 (70)	232 (73)	0.09†	0.21
Yes	165 (13)	45 (14)	86 (14)	34 (11)		
Missing	226 (18)	71 (22)	104 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Diabetes</b>						
No	891 (70)	208 (66)	445 (70)	238 (75)	0.10†	0.22
Yes	150 (12)	38 (12)	84 (13)	28 (9)		
Missing	226 (18)	71 (22)	104 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Renal</b>						
No	1,033 (82)	244 (77)	528 (83)	261 (82)	0.20†	0.38
Yes	10 (1)	2 (1)	3 (0)	5 (2)		
Missing	224 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Inflammatory Bowel Disease</b>						

No	1,028 (81)	242 (76)	526 (83)	260 (82)	0.52†	0.77
Yes	15 (1)	4 (1)	5 (1)	6 (2)		
Missing	224 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Psychiatric</b>						
No	847 (67)	205 (65)	424 (67)	218 (69)	0.65†	0.77
Yes	194 (15)	40 (13)	106 (17)	48 (15)		
Missing	226 (18)	72 (23)	103 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Obesity</b>						
No	942 (74)	228 (72)	471 (74)	243 (77)	0.66†	0.77
Yes	100 (8)	18 (6)	59 (9)	23 (7)		
Missing	225 (18)	71 (22)	103 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Cerebrovascular</b>						
No	1,015 (80)	241 (76)	512 (81)	262 (83)	0.67†	0.77
Yes	24 (2)	5 (2)	15 (2)	4 (1)		
Missing	228 (18)	71 (22)	106 (17)	51 (16)		
<b>Rheumatologic</b>						
No	1,010 (80)	239 (75)	512 (81)	259 (82)	0.68†	0.77
Yes	32 (3)	7 (2)	19 (3)	6 (2)		
Missing	225 (18)	71 (22)	102 (16)	52 (16)		
<b>Peptic Ulcer</b>						
No	1,024 (81)	242 (76)	520 (82)	262 (83)	0.90†	0.90
Yes	18 (1)	4 (1)	10 (2)	4 (1)		
Missing	225 (18)	71 (22)	103 (16)	51 (16)		
<b>Heart valve disease</b>						
No	1,019 (80)	240 (76)	519 (82)	260 (82)	0.90†	0.90
Yes	22 (2)	6 (2)	10 (2)	6 (2)		
Missing	226 (18)	71 (22)	104 (16)	51 (16)		

†Kruskal-Wallis trend test, ‡Jonckheere-Terpstra test

**Supplemental Table 8 – Patient characteristics by telomere length quartiles in patients with HCT-CI score 0 who received myeloablative conditioning**

	Telomere length quartile				<i>p</i> -value
	Total	Shortest	Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	Longest	
	n = 86 (%)	n = 19 (22)	n = 37 (43)	n = 30 (35)	
<b>Patient-related variables</b>					
Recipient age					
Median (range)	55.1 (40.0 - 75.1)	53.4 (42.4 - 69.9)	57.8 (40.9 - 75.1)	53.2 (40.0 - 71.1)	> 0.99 <sup>▲</sup>
Recipient sex					
Male	51 (59)	11 (58)	24 (65)	16 (53)	0.62 <sup>‡</sup>
Female	35 (41)	8 (42)	13 (35)	14 (47)	
Karnofsky performance-status score					
90-100	60 (70)	12 (63)	26 (70)	22 (73)	0.66 <sup>‡</sup>
10-80	15 (17)	4 (21)	6 (16)	5 (17)	
Missing	11 (13)	3 (16)	5 (14)	3 (10)	
Telomere length					
Median (range)	0.5 (0.3 - 0.9)	0.4 (0.3 - 0.4)	0.5 (0.4 - 0.6)	0.6 (0.6 - 0.9)	< 0.001 <sup>▲</sup>
<b>Disease-related variables</b>					
IPSS-R					
Very low	10 (12)	-	6 (16)	4 (13)	0.12 <sup>‡</sup>
Low	25 (29)	4 (21)	10 (27)	11 (37)	
Intermediate	18 (21)	7 (37)	7 (19)	4 (13)	
High	11 (13)	2 (11)	5 (14)	4 (13)	
Very high	7 (8)	1 (5)	5 (14)	1 (3)	
Missing	15 (17)	5 (26)	4 (11)	6 (20)	
IPSS-R Cytogenetic risk group					
Good	46 (53)	10 (53)	16 (43)	20 (67)	0.45 <sup>‡</sup>
Intermediate	10 (12)	3 (16)	6 (16)	1 (3)	
Poor	13 (15)	3 (16)	7 (19)	3 (10)	
Very poor	7 (8)	1 (5)	4 (11)	2 (7)	
Unknown	10 (12)	2 (11)	4 (11)	4 (13)	
Absolute neutrophil count (x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	1.3 (0.6-2.7)	1.4 (1.0-2.5)	1.1 (0.5-2.6)	1.7 (0.7-2.7)	0.47 <sup>▲</sup>
Hemoglobin (g/dL)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	10.1 (8.9-12.1)	9.4 (9.0-10.1)	10.4 (9.5-13.0)	10.7 (8.9-12.0)	0.06 <sup>▲</sup>
Platelet count (x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L)					

Median (Interquartile Range)	87 (47-205)	48 (32-112)	111 (58-218)	101 (66-207)	0.04^
Bone marrow blasts (%)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	3 (1-6)	3 (1-6)	3 (1-6)	3 (1-5)	0.80^
Monosomal karyotype					
No	68 (79)	15 (79)	28 (76)	25 (83)	0.79†
Yes	11 (13)	2 (11)	7 (19)	2 (7)	
Unknown	7 (8)	2 (11)	2 (5)	3 (10)	
Prior MDS therapy					
None	19 (22)	6 (32)	6 (16)	7 (23)	0.92†
HMA only	55 (64)	11 (58)	25 (68)	19 (63)	
Chemotherapy	8 (9)	1 (5)	5 (14)	2 (7)	
Missing	4 (5)	1 (5)	1 (3)	2 (7)	
Therapy-related MDS					
De Novo MDS	85 (99)	18 (95)	37 (100)	30 (100)	0.15†
t-MDS	1 (1)	1 (5)	-	-	
JAK2 V617F					
No mutation	82 (95)	18 (95)	34 (92)	30 (100)	0.27†
Mutation	4 (5)	1 (5)	3 (8)	-	
<b>Transplant-related variables</b>					
Graft type					
Bone marrow	15 (17)	4 (21)	6 (16)	5 (17)	0.35†
PBSC	66 (77)	15 (79)	29 (78)	22 (73)	
Cord Blood	5 (6)	-	2 (5)	3 (10)	
Donor group					
Matched, related	4 (5)	1 (5)	2 (5)	1 (3)	0.32†
Matched, unrelated	53 (62)	14 (74)	23 (62)	16 (53)	
Mismatched	24 (28)	4 (21)	10 (27)	10 (33)	
Cord Blood	5 (6)	-	2 (5)	3 (10)	
Donor age					
Under 35	55 (64)	9 (47)	24 (65)	22 (73)	0.08†
35 or over	31 (36)	10 (53)	13 (35)	8 (27)	
Donor sex					
Male	65 (76)	17 (89)	28 (76)	20 (67)	0.08†
Female	17 (20)	2 (11)	6 (16)	9 (30)	
Missing	4 (5)	-	3 (8)	1 (3)	
Sex match (donor/recipient)					
Male/Male	39 (45)	11 (58)	17 (46)	11 (37)	0.29†

Male/Female	26 (30)	6 (32)	11 (30)	9 (30)	
Female/Male	10 (12)	-	5 (14)	5 (17)	
Female/Female	7 (8)	2 (11)	1 (3)	4 (13)	
Missing	4 (5)	-	3 (8)	1 (3)	
in vivo T-cell depletion					
No	49 (57)	11 (58)	23 (62)	15 (50)	0.48†
Yes	37 (43)	8 (42)	14 (38)	15 (50)	
GVHD prophylaxis					
None reported	2 (2)	1 (5)	-	1 (3)	> 0.99‡
Ex vivo T-cell depletion	4 (5)	1 (5)	1 (3)	2 (7)	
CD34 selection	67 (78)	14 (74)	30 (81)	23 (77)	
Tacrolimus-based	10 (12)	2 (11)	5 (14)	3 (10)	
CSA-based	3 (3)	1 (5)	1 (3)	1 (3)	
Other	1 (2)		1 (3)	-	
Year of transplantation					
>2007	86 (100)	19 (100)	37 (100)	30 (100)	-

†Kruskal-Wallis trend test, ‡Jonckheere-Terpstra test, ^Cuzick's trend test

Supplemental Table 9 – GvHD prophylaxis by telomere quartiles and conditioning intensity

	Total n = 1267 (%)	Telomere length quartile			P value
		Shortest n = 317 (25)	Intermediate (2nd and 3rd) n = 633 (50)	Longest n = 317 (25)	
<b>Myeloablative conditioning</b>	n = 582 (%)	n = 140 (24)	n = 291 (50)	n = 151 (26)	
Tacrolimus-based	496 (85)	121 (86)	247 (85)	128 (85)	0.84
CSA-based	35 (6)	8 (6)	19 (7)	8 (5)	
CD34 selection	19 (3)	2 (1)	11 (4)	6 (4)	
Cyclophosphamide-based	9 (2)	2 (1)	6 (2)	1 (1)	
Ex vivo T-cell depletion	11 (2)	2 (1)	6 (2)	3 (2)	
Other	9 (2)	4 (3)	2 (1)	3 (2)	
None reported	3 (1)	1 (1)	-	2 (1)	
<b>RIC - Flu/Mel</b>	n = 220 (%)	n = 49 (22)	n = 110 (50)	n = 61 (28)	
Tacrolimus-based	176 (80)	36 (73)	94 (85)	46 (75)	0.51
CSA-based	22 (10)	8 (16)	8 (7)	6 (10)	
CD34 selection	4 (2)	1 (2)	2 (2)	1 (2)	
Cyclophosphamide-based	4 (2)	2 (4)	1 (1)	1 (2)	
Ex vivo T-cell depletion	1 (0)	-	1 (1)	-	
Other	8 (4)	2 (4)	2 (2)	4 (7)	
None reported	5 (2)	-	2 (2)	3 (5)	
<b>Other RIC</b>	n = 335 (%)	n = 96 (29)	n = 164 (49)	n = 75 (22)	
Tacrolimus-based	258 (77)	76 (79)	125 (76)	57 (76)	0.45
CSA-based	48 (14)	10 (10)	26 (16)	12 (16)	
CD34 selection	3 (1)	2 (2)	-	1 (1)	
Cyclophosphamide-based	2 (1)	-	1 (1)	1 (1)	
Ex vivo T-cell depletion	4 (1)	3 (3)	-	1 (1)	
Other	12 (4)	3 (3)	9 (5)	-	
None reported	8 (2)	2 (2)	3 (2)	3 (4)	

†Kruskal-Wallis rank-sum test

**Supplemental Table 10 – Patient characteristics according to telomere length quartiles among patients who received myeloablative conditioning regimen**

	Total n = 582 (%)	Telomere length quartile			<i>P value</i>
		Shortest n = 140 (24)	Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) n = 291 (50)	Longest n = 151 (26)	
<b>Patient-related variables</b>					
Recipient age					
Median (range)	57 (40 - 75)	57 (40 - 75)	58 (40 - 75)	56 (40 - 72)	0.34^
Recipient sex					
Male	351 (60)	94 (67)	174 (60)	83 (55)	0.04†
Female	231 (40)	46 (33)	117 (40)	68 (45)	
Karnofsky performance-status score					
90-100	307 (53)	66 (47)	152 (52)	89 (59)	0.08†
10-80	153 (26)	40 (29)	80 (27)	33 (22)	
Missing	122 (21)	34 (24)	59 (20)	29 (19)	
Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation Comorbidity Index					
0	86 (15)	19 (14)	37 (13)	30 (20)	0.34‡
1-2	95 (16)	21 (15)	53 (18)	21 (14)	
>/= 3	203 (35)	46 (33)	107 (37)	50 (33)	
Missing	198 (34)	54 (39)	94 (32)	50 (33)	
<b>Disease-related variables</b>					
IPSS-R					
Very low	45 (8)	5 (4)	26 (9)	14 (9)	<0.001†
Low	117 (20)	12 (9)	63 (22)	42 (28)	
Intermediate	125 (21)	29 (21)	72 (25)	24 (16)	
High	80 (14)	29 (21)	36 (12)	15 (10)	
Very high	76 (13)	24 (17)	36 (12)	16 (11)	
Missing	139 (24)	41 (29)	58 (20)	40 (26)	
IPSS-R Cytogenetic risk group					
Very good	5 (1)	2 (1)	3 (1)	-	0.86‡
Good	211 (36)	47 (34)	106 (36)	58 (38)	
Intermediate	83 (14)	19 (14)	46 (16)	18 (12)	
Poor	99 (17)	25 (18)	49 (17)	25 (17)	
Very poor	65 (11)	17 (12)	33 (11)	15 (10)	
Unknown	119 (20)	30 (21)	54 (19)	35 (23)	
Absolute neutrophil count (x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	1.3 (0.6-2.3)	0.9 (0.4-1.7)	1.3 (0.5-2.4)	1.5 (0.7-2.7)	< 0.001^
Hemoglobin (g/dL)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	9.5 (8.3-11.4)	8.9 (8.0-10.1)	9.6 (8.5-11.8)	10.2 (8.6-11.8)	< 0.001^
Platelet count (x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	79 (35-153)	50 (19-94)	86 (32-176)	98 (58-173)	< 0.001^

Bone marrow blasts (%)					
Median (Interquartile range)	3 (1-6)	4 (2-8)	2 (1-6)	2 (1-5)	0.009^
Monosomal karyotype					
No	400 (69)	92 (66)	204 (70)	104 (69)	0.75†
Yes	94 (16)	22 (16)	48 (16)	24 (16)	
Unknown	88 (15)	26 (19)	39 (13)	23 (15)	
Prior MDS therapy					
None	188 (32)	54 (39)	83 (29)	51 (34)	0.34†
HMA only	291 (50)	67 (48)	153 (53)	71 (47)	
Chemotherapy	44 (8)	5 (4)	27 (9)	12 (8)	
Missing	59 (10)	14 (10)	28 (10)	17 (11)	
Therapy-related MDS					
De Novo MDS	451 (77)	107 (76)	229 (79)	115 (76)	0.94†
t-MDS	131 (23)	33 (24)	62 (21)	36 (24)	
Time from MDS diagnosis to transplantation (Months)					
Median (range)	7.5 (0.9 – 163.2)	7.7 (0.9 – 130.4)	7.5 (1.8 – 163.2)	6.8 (1.9 – 116.3)	0.41^
Transplant-related variables					
Graft type					
Bone marrow	97 (17)	25 (18)	51 (18)	21 (14)	0.27†
PBSC	455 (78)	109 (78)	224 (77)	122 (81)	
Cord Blood	26 (4)	4 (3)	14 (5)	8 (5)	
Other	4 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)	-	
Donor group					
Matched, Related	95 (16)	21 (15)	47 (16)	27 (18)	0.48†
Matched, Unrelated	345 (59)	83 (59)	172 (59)	90 (60)	
Mismatched	116 (20)	32 (23)	58 (20)	26 (17)	
Cord Blood	26 (4)	4 (3)	14 (5)	8 (5)	
Donor age					
<35	314 (54)	76 (54)	160 (55)	78 (52)	0.64†
≥35	265 (46)	63 (45)	130 (45)	72 (48)	
Missing	3 (1)	1 (1)	1 (0)	1 (1)	
Donor sex					
Male	371 (64)	87 (62)	191 (66)	93 (62)	0.81†
Female	162 (28)	44 (31)	74 (25)	44 (29)	
Missing	49 (8)	9 (6)	26 (9)	14 (9)	
Sex match (Donor/Recipient)					
Male/Male	231 (40)	61 (44)	116 (40)	54 (36)	0.22†
Male/Female	140 (24)	26 (19)	75 (26)	39 (26)	
Female/Male	87 (15)	26 (19)	41 (14)	20 (13)	
Female/Female	75 (13)	18 (13)	33 (11)	24 (16)	
Missing	49 (8)	9 (6)	26 (9)	14 (9)	
in vivo T-cell depletion					

No	335 (58)	90 (64)	170 (58)	75 (50)	0.03†
Yes	208 (36)	44 (31)	101 (35)	63 (42)	
Missing	39 (7)	6 (4)	20 (7)	13 (9)	
<b>GVHD prophylaxis</b>					
None reported	3 (1)	1 (1)	-	2 (1)	0.84‡
Ex vivo T-cell depletion	11 (2)	2 (1)	6 (2)	3 (2)	
CD34 selection	19 (3)	2 (1)	11 (4)	6 (4)	
Cyclophosphamide-based	9 (2)	2 (1)	6 (2)	1 (1)	
Tacrolimus-based	496 (85)	121 (86)	247 (85)	128 (85)	
CSA-based	35 (6)	8 (6)	19 (7)	8 (5)	
Other	9 (2)	4 (3)	2 (1)	3 (2)	
<b>Year of transplantation</b>					
≤2007	114 (20)	36 (26)	51 (18)	27 (18)	0.10†
>2007	468 (80)	104 (74)	240 (82)	124 (82)	

†Kruskal-Wallis trend test, ‡Jonckheere-Terpstra test, \*Cuzick's trend test

**Supplemental Table 11 – Patient characteristics according to telomere length quartiles among patients who received reduced-intensity conditioning regimen**

	Total n = 555 (%)	Telomere length quartile			<i>P value</i>
		Shortest n = 145 (26)	Intermediate (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) n = 274 (49)	Longest n = 136 (25)	
<b>Patient-related variables</b>					
Recipient age					
Median (range)	63 (40 - 77)	63 (40 - 77)	63 (40 - 77)	63 (40 - 76)	0.50 <sup>▲</sup>
Recipient sex					
Male	343 (62)	101 (70)	169 (62)	73 (54)	0.006 <sup>†</sup>
Female	212 (38)	44 (30)	105 (38)	63 (46)	
Karnofsky performance-status score					
90-100	252 (45)	67 (46)	118 (43)	67 (49)	0.72 <sup>†</sup>
10-80	205 (37)	52 (36)	106 (39)	47 (35)	
Missing	98 (18)	26 (18)	50 (18)	22 (16)	
Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation Comorbidity Index					
0	75 (14)	15 (10)	40 (15)	20 (15)	0.04 <sup>‡</sup>
1-2	116 (21)	25 (17)	57 (21)	34 (25)	
>/= 3	239 (43)	70 (48)	118 (43)	51 (38)	
Missing	125 (23)	35 (24)	59 (22)	31 (23)	
<b>Disease-related variables</b>					
IPSS-R					
Very low	48 (9)	14 (10)	23 (8)	11 (8)	0.48 <sup>‡</sup>
Low	107 (19)	19 (13)	61 (22)	27 (20)	
Intermediate	132 (24)	38 (26)	60 (22)	34 (25)	
High	87 (16)	24 (17)	40 (15)	23 (17)	
Very high	47 (8)	11 (8)	29 (11)	7 (5)	
Missing	134 (24)	39 (27)	61 (22)	34 (25)	
IPSS-R Cytogenetic risk group					
Very good	4 (1)	1 (1)	-	3 (2)	0.55 <sup>‡</sup>
Good	227 (41)	56 (39)	115 (42)	56 (41)	
Intermediate	88 (16)	26 (18)	37 (14)	25 (18)	
Poor	89 (16)	23 (16)	52 (19)	14 (10)	
Very poor	40 (7)	11 (8)	18 (7)	11 (8)	
Unknown	107 (19)	28 (19)	52 (19)	27 (20)	
Absolute neutrophil count (x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	1.1 (0.5-2.3)	0.8 (0.4-1.7)	1.2 (0.5-2.3)	1.5 (0.7-3.0)	< 0.001 <sup>▲</sup>
Hemoglobin (g/dL)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	9.4 (8.2-11.0)	9.1 (8.2-10.2)	9.6 (8.1-11.2)	9.7 (8.2-11.2)	0.07 <sup>▲</sup>
Platelet count (x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	75 (31-145)	58 (24-115)	78 (32-151)	95 (41-159)	0.003 <sup>▲</sup>

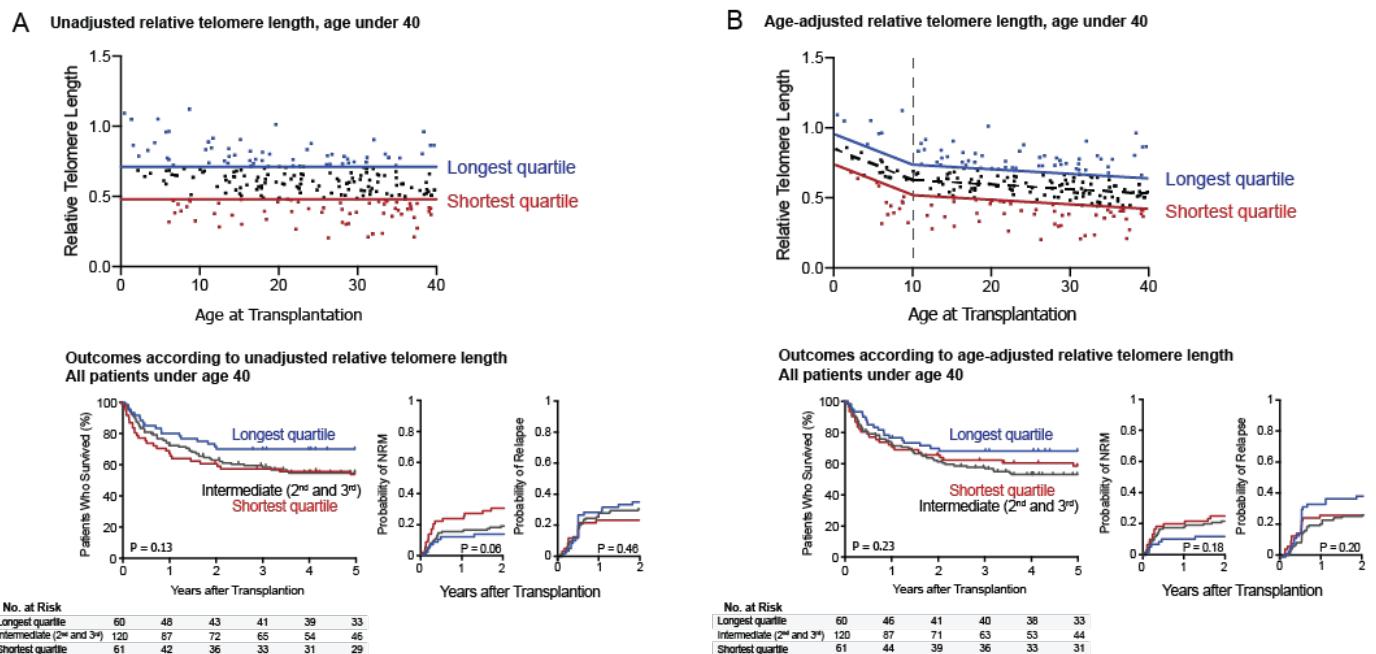
Bone marrow blasts (%)					
Median (Interquartile Range)	3 (1-5)	2 (0-5)	3 (1-7)	3 (1-5)	0.21^
Monosomal karyotype					
No	403 (73)	107 (74)	202 (74)	94 (69)	0.67†
Yes	77 (14)	20 (14)	36 (13)	21 (15)	
Unknown	75 (14)	18 (12)	36 (13)	21 (15)	
Prior MDS therapy					
None	136 (25)	45 (31)	64 (23)	27 (20)	0.06†
HMA only	357 (64)	84 (58)	179 (65)	94 (69)	
Chemotherapy	35 (6)	12 (8)	15 (5)	8 (6)	
Missing	27 (5)	4 (3)	16 (6)	7 (5)	
Therapy-related MDS					
De Novo MDS	445 (80)	108 (74)	225 (82)	112 (82)	0.09†
t-MDS	110 (20)	37 (26)	49 (18)	24 (18)	
Time from MDS diagnosis to transplantation (Months)					
Median (range)	9.5 (0.4 – 266.0)	10.6 (0.6 – 266.0)	8.7 (0.4 – 134.0)	9.2 (2.6 – 111.3)	0.27^
Transplant-related variables					
Graft type					
Bone marrow	51 (9)	15 (10)	23 (8)	13 (10)	0.65†
PBSC	472 (85)	119 (82)	236 (86)	117 (86)	
Cord Blood	28 (5)	10 (7)	13 (5)	5 (4)	
Other	4 (1)	1 (1)	2 (1)	1 (1)	
Donor group					
Matched, Related	61 (11)	11 (8)	32 (12)	18 (13)	0.22†
Matched, Unrelated	356 (64)	89 (61)	180 (66)	87 (64)	
Mismatched	106 (19)	34 (23)	47 (17)	25 (18)	
Cord Blood	32 (6)	11 (8)	15 (5)	6 (4)	
Donor age					
<35	345 (62)	95 (66)	164 (60)	86 (63)	0.73†
≥35	206 (37)	50 (34)	107 (39)	49 (36)	
Missing	4 (1)	-	3 (1)	1 (1)	
Donor sex					
Male	383 (69)	101 (70)	183 (67)	99 (73)	0.61†
Female	148 (27)	37 (26)	80 (29)	31 (23)	
Missing	24 (4)	7 (5)	11 (4)	6 (4)	
Sex match (Donor/Recipient)					
Male/Male	252 (45)	74 (51)	123 (45)	55 (40)	0.03†
Male/Female	131 (24)	27 (19)	60 (22)	44 (32)	
Female/Male	77 (14)	22 (15)	41 (15)	14 (10)	
Female/Female	71 (13)	15 (10)	39 (14)	17 (12)	

Missing	24 (4)	7 (5)	11 (4)	6 (4)	
<b>in vivo T-cell depletion</b>					
No	289 (52)	69 (48)	148 (54)	72 (53)	0.25†
Yes	251 (45)	73 (50)	120 (44)	58 (43)	
Missing	15 (3)	3 (2)	6 (2)	6 (4)	
<b>GVHD prophylaxis</b>					
None reported	13 (2)	2 (1)	5 (2)	6 (4)	0.61‡
Ex vivo T-cell depletion	5 (1)	3 (2)	1 (0)	1 (1)	
CD34 selection	7 (1)	3 (2)	2 (1)	2 (1)	
Cyclophosphamide-based	6 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)	
Tacrolimus-based	434 (78)	112 (77)	219 (80)	103 (76)	
CSA-based	70 (13)	18 (12)	34 (12)	18 (13)	
Other	20 (4)	5 (3)	11 (4)	4 (3)	
<b>Year of transplantation</b>					
≤2007	80 (14)	26 (18)	38 (14)	16 (12)	0.14†
>2007	475 (86)	119 (82)	236 (86)	120 (88)	

†Kruskal-Wallis trend test, ‡Jonckheere-Terpstra test, ^Cuzick's trend test

## Supplemental Figure 1 – Outcomes by telomere length quartiles in patients under age 40

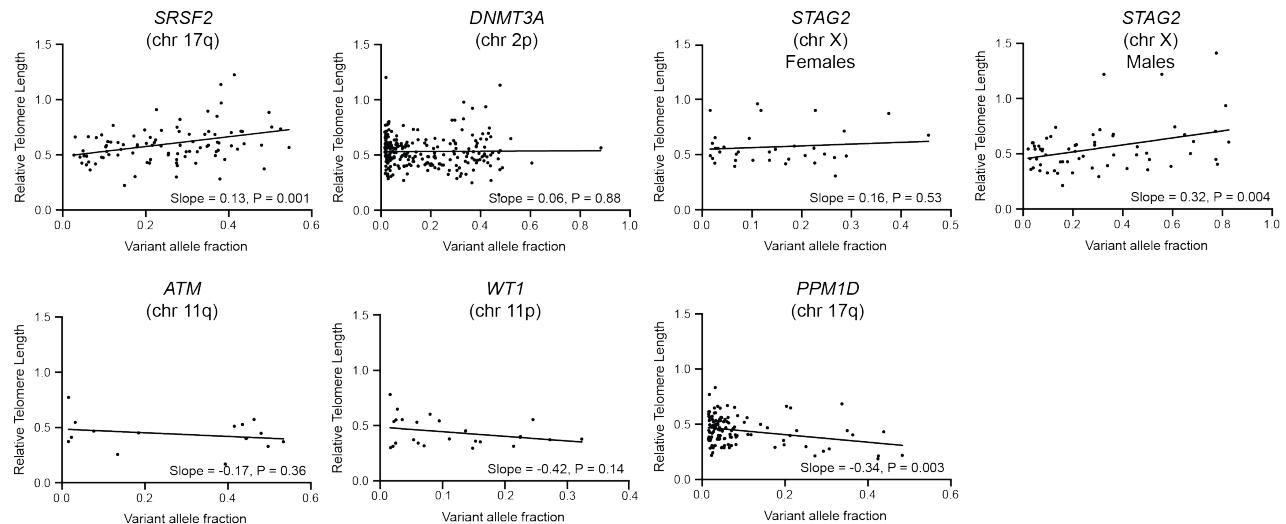
Panel A shows the distribution of telomere lengths and transplant outcomes by age-unadjusted telomere length quartiles in patients under age 40. Panel B shows the strategy for telomere length age-adjustment and transplant outcomes in age-adjusted telomere quartiles in patients under age 40.



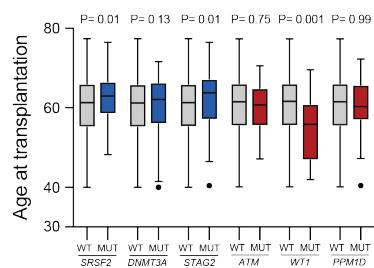
## Supplemental Figure 2 – Characteristics of patients with somatic mutations in *SRSF2*, *DNMT3A*, *STAG2*, *ATM*, *WT1*, and *PPM1D*

Panel A shows the association between variant allele fraction (VAF) and telomere length for genes that were significantly associated with longest or shortest telomere length quartiles in Figure 1D. Also shown is the age at transplantation (Panel B), sex (Panel C), and absolute neutrophil count at transplantation (Panel D) according to mutation status in genes that were associated with longest (blue) and shortest (red) telomere length quartiles in Figure 1D. Nominal P values shown.

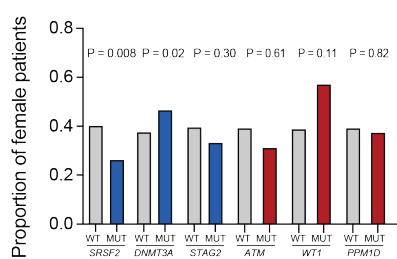
**A Association between variant allele fraction (VAF) and relative telomere length**



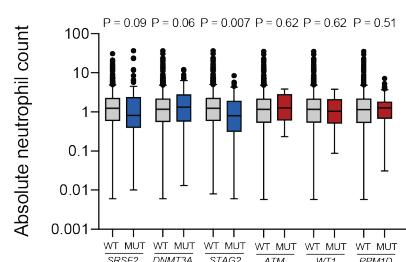
**B Age at transplantation**



**C Proportion of female patients**

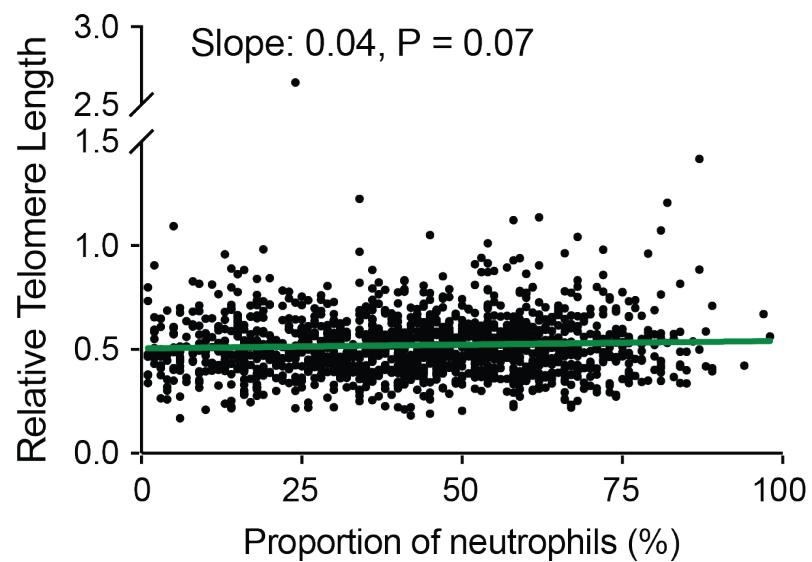


**D Neutrophil count at transplantation**



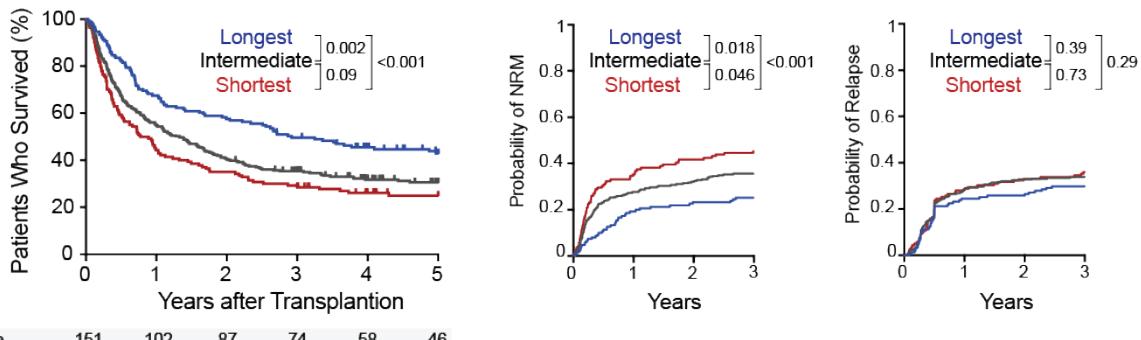
Supplemental Figure 3 - Association between recipient neutrophil count and recipient telomere length

Shown is the proportion of neutrophils in the white blood cell differential and recipient relative telomere length at transplantation.

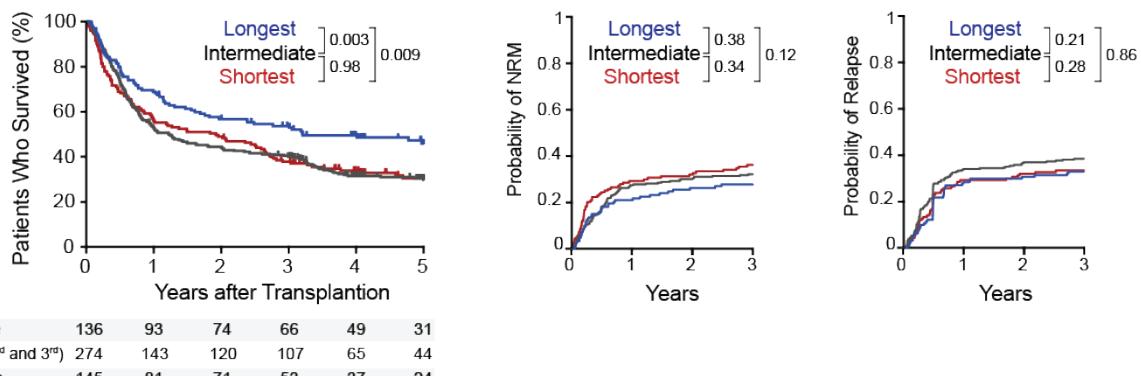


Supplemental Figure 4 –Outcomes in myeloablative and reduced intensity conditioning, pairwise telomere quartile comparisons

**Myeloablative conditioning**

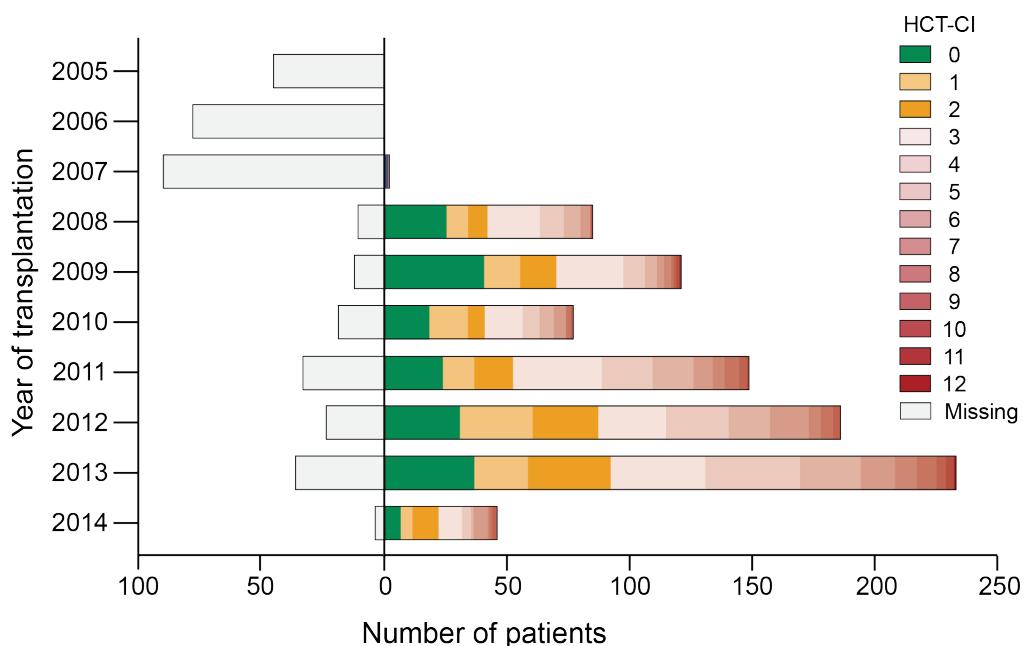


**Reduced intensity conditioning**



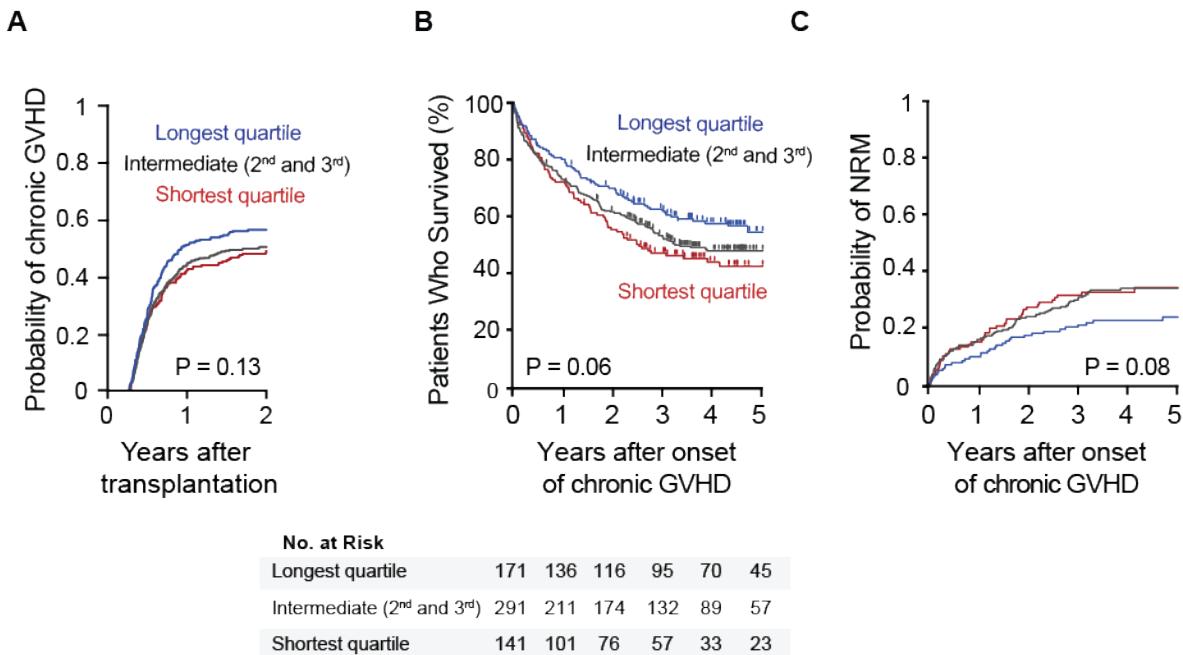
## Supplemental Figure 5 – HCT-CI score and year of transplantation

On the left, the number of patients with missing HCT-CI score by year of transplantation. On the right, the number of patients belonging to each HCT-CI score group by year of transplantation. Patients age 40 or older are shown.



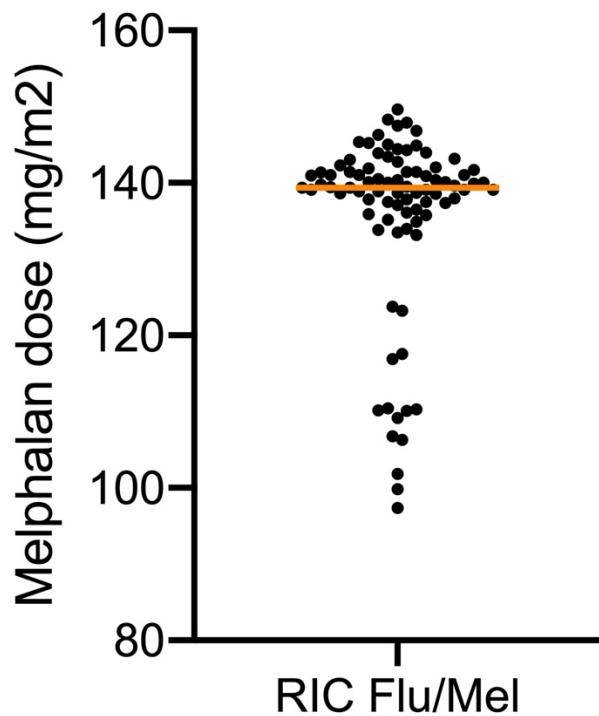
## Supplemental Figure 6 – Outcomes after chronic GVHD by telomere length

Cumulative incidence of chronic GVHD (Panel A), overall survival (Panel B) and cumulative incidence of non-relapse mortality (Panel C) after chronic GVHD onset by telomere length quartiles.



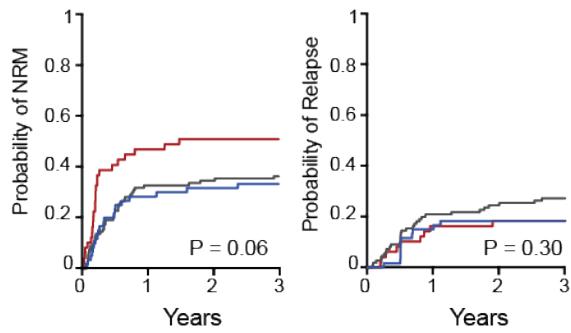
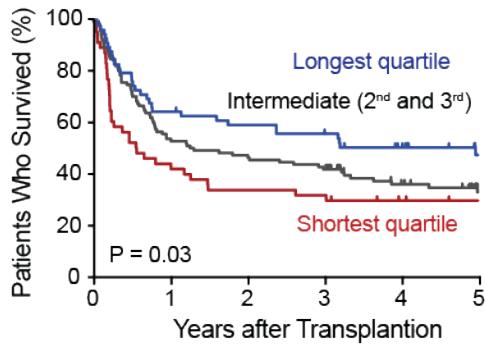
### Supplemental Figure 7 – Distribution of melphalan doses in Flu/Mel RIC

Melphalan dose was available for 86 patients in the fludarabine/melphalan-based RIC group. Orange line represents the median value.

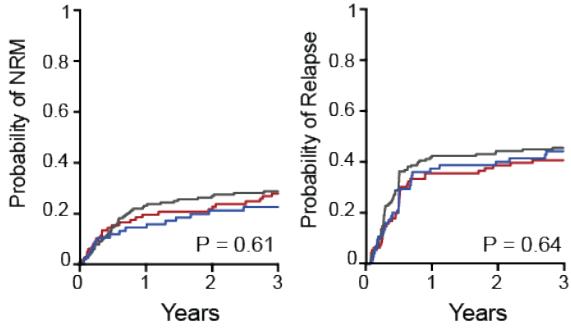
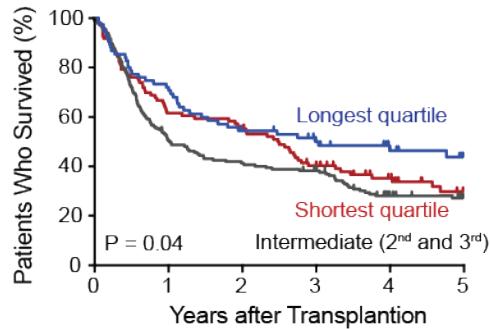


## Supplemental Figure 8 – Outcomes by telomere length quartiles in RIC groups

### A Flu/Mel based RIC



### B Non-Flu/Mel based RIC



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