

Galecto Expert Perspectives: Myelofibrosis Treatment Landscape  
Current and Potential Future Treatments  
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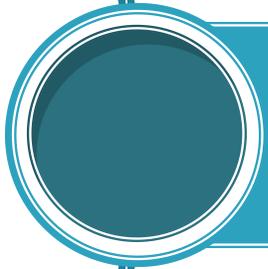
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Publicly traded (NASDAQ: GLTO) biotech with differentiated focus on fibrosis & cancer

- Potentially first-in-class with FDA and EMA orphan drug designation (ODD) for lead asset GB0139
- Small-molecule fibrosis inhibitors targeting Galectin-3 & lysyl oxidase-like 2 (LOXL2)



Strong pipeline with meaningful catalysts

- Phase 2b trial in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) ongoing
- Phase 2 studies in myelofibrosis, NSCLC and cirrhosis to be initiated later in 2021



Raised ~\$160M in 2H 2020 – Cash balance (Mar 31, 2021) ~\$149M, funded into 2024

- \$95 million in October 2020 IPO led by BoA, SVB Leerink & Credit Suisse
- \$64 million crossover round in September 2020

# Unique Pipeline Targeting Fibrosis and Cancer

Product Candidate	Indication	Preclinical Testing	Phase 1/2a	Phase 2b	Phase 3	Expected Next Steps	Potential Data Readout
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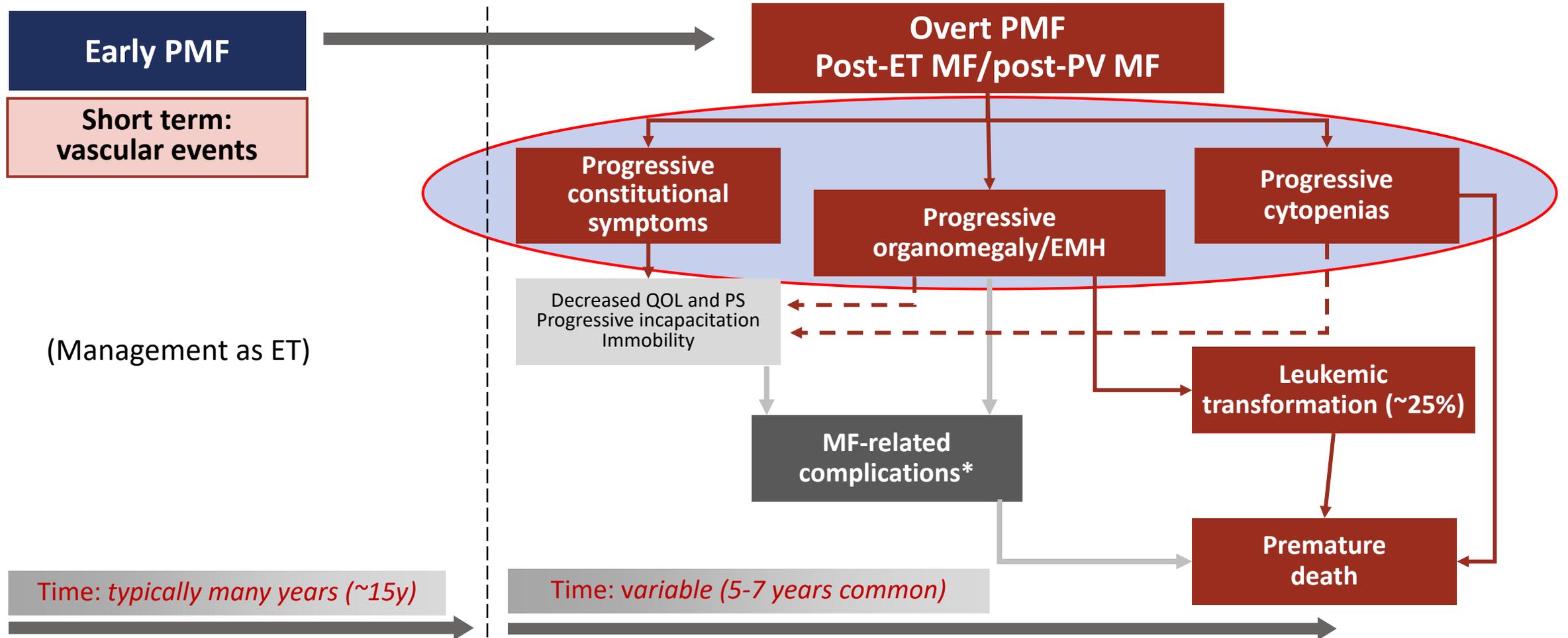
Making Cancer History®

# Current treatment landscape and unmet clinical needs for myelofibrosis

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# Myelofibrosis: Disease Course and Complications



Abbreviations: EMH, extramedullary hematopoiesis; ET, essential thrombocythemia; PMF, primary myelofibrosis; PS, performance status; PV, polycythemia vera; QOL, quality of life.

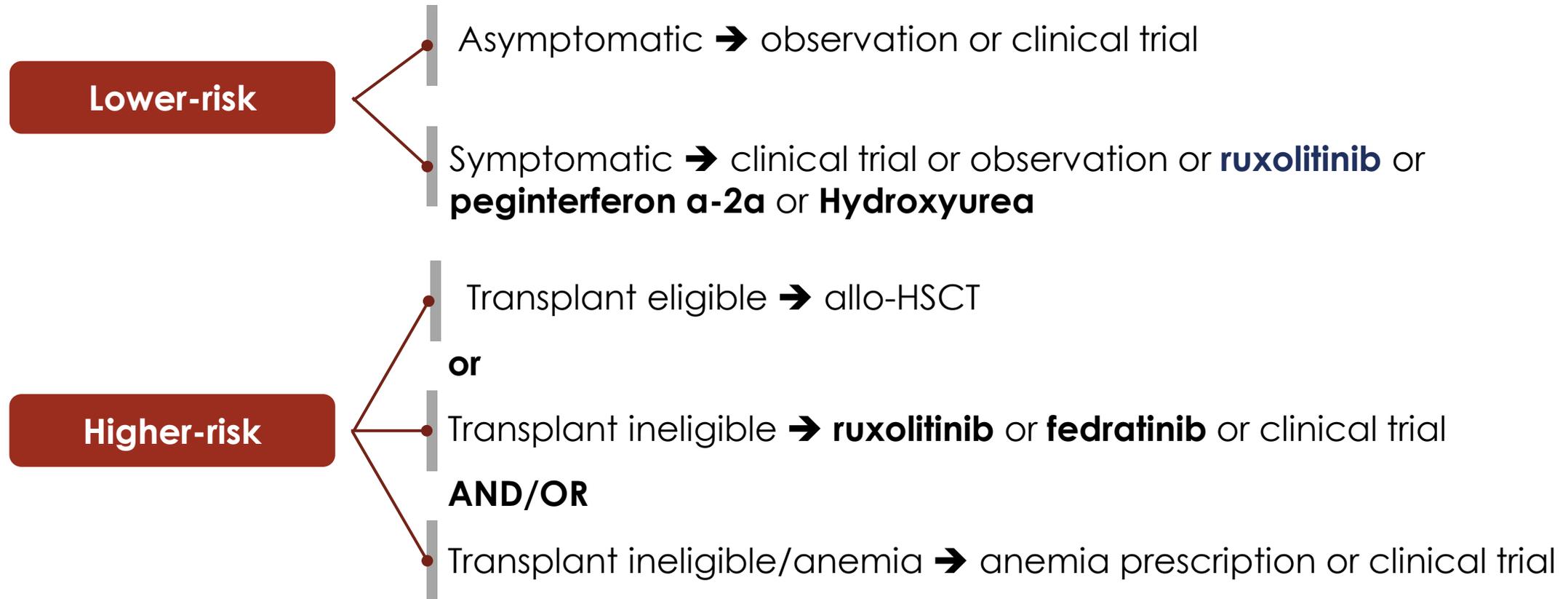
1. Mughal TI, et al. *Int J Gen Med.* 2014;7:89-101; 2. Haybar H, et al. *Cardiovasc Hematol Disord Drug Targets.* 2017;17(3):161-166.

# MF is a Progressive Disease

After 1 year of diagnosis, significantly more patients have anemia, thrombocytopenia, circulating blasts, transfusion requirements, constitutional symptoms, splenomegaly, and unfavorable karyotype

	At Diagnosis (n = 340)	After 1 Year of Diagnosis (n = 386)
Hemoglobin < 10 g/dL	38%	64%
Platelet count < 100 × 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	18%	31%
Circulating blasts ≥ 1%	45%	66%
Requires transfusions	24%	45%
Constitutional symptoms	29%	34%
Splenomegaly > 10 cm	21%	46%
Unfavorable karyotype	10%	18%

# Updated NCCN Guidelines for Treatment of MF: Based on Risk and Symptoms/Signs



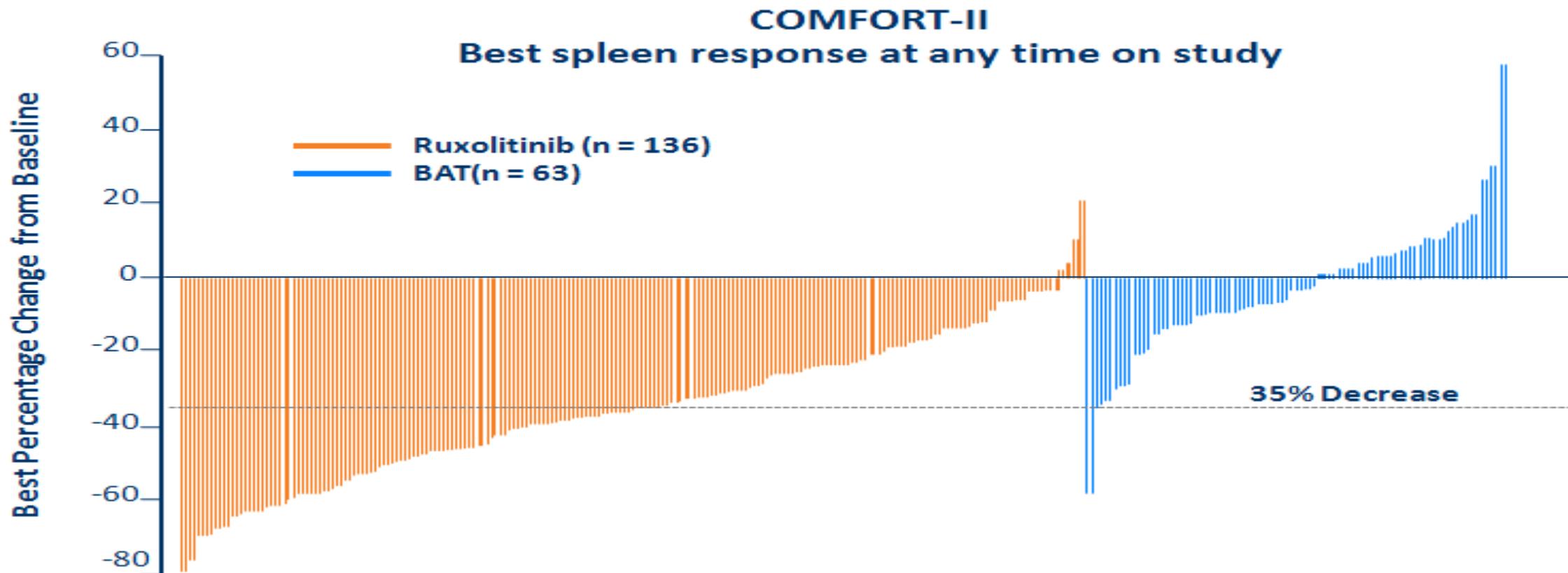
**Lower-risk: MIPSS-70 ≤ 3; MIPPS-70+ ≤ 3; DIPSS-Plus ≤ 1; DIPSS ≤ 2; MYSEC-PM <14**

**Higher-risk: MIPSS-70 ≥ 4; MIPPS-70+ ≥ 4; DIPSS-Plus > 1; DIPSS > 2; MYSEC-PM ≥14**

# “Clinical needs” oriented current therapy for MF

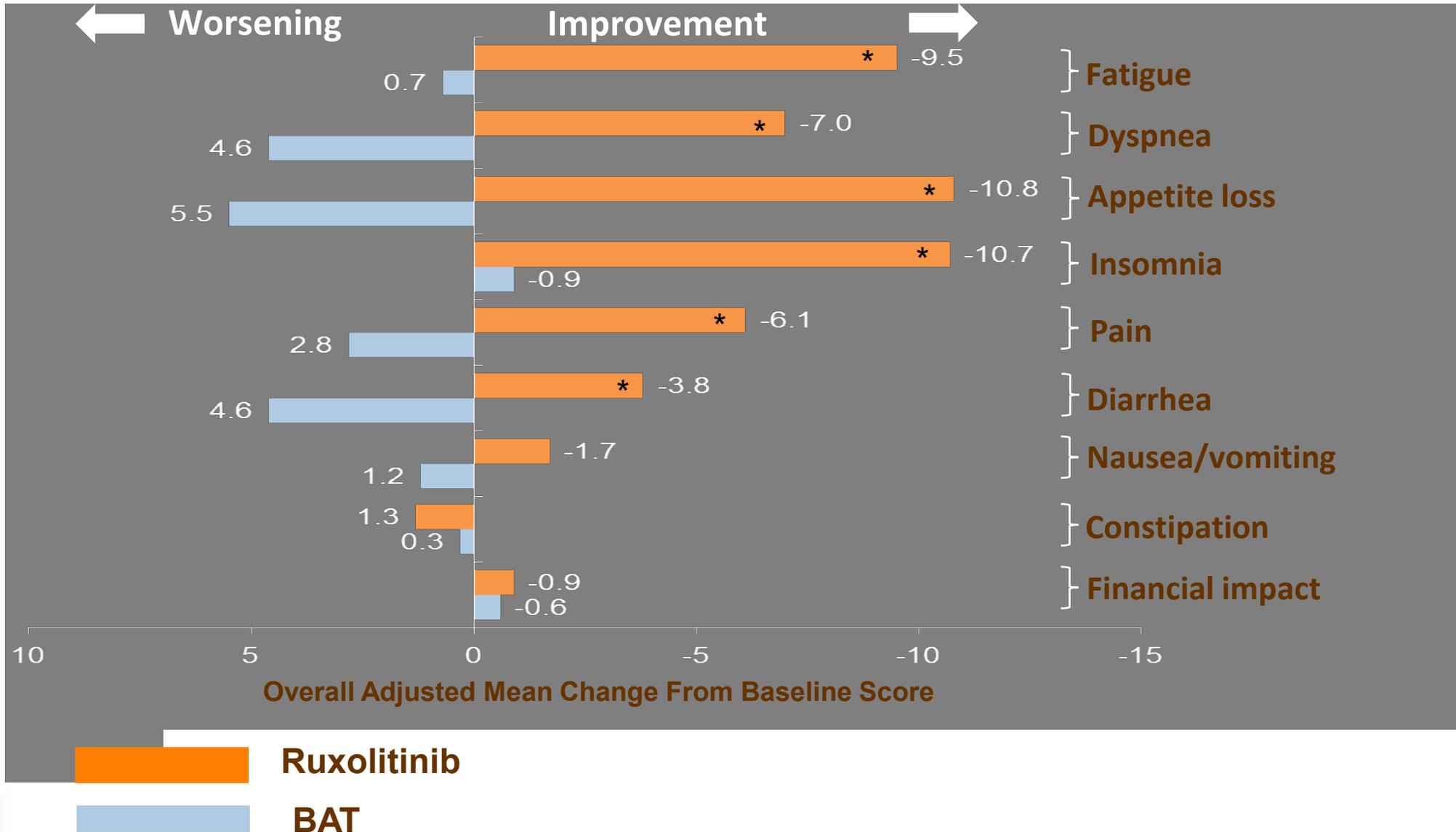
Clinical need	Drugs / Intervention	
<b>Anemia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Erythropoietin</li> <li>Corticosteroids</li> <li>Danazol</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thalidomide</li> <li>Lenalidomide</li> </ul>
<b>Symptomatic splenomegaly</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ruxolitinib, Fedratinib, Hydroxyurea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cladribine, IMiDs</li> <li>Splenectomy</li> </ul>
<b>Extramedullary hematopoiesis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Radiation therapy</li> </ul>	
<b>Hyperproliferative (early) disease</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interferon, hydroxyurea</li> </ul>	
<b>Risk of thrombosis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Low-dose ASA</li> </ul>	
<b>Constitutional symptoms/ QoL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ruxolitinib, Fedratinib, Corticosteroids</li> </ul>	
<b>Accelerated/blastic Phase</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hypomethylating agents</li> </ul>	
<b>Improved survival</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allo SCT</li> <li>Ruxolitinib</li> </ul>	

# Spleen Volume Response: Ruxolitinib vs. BAT



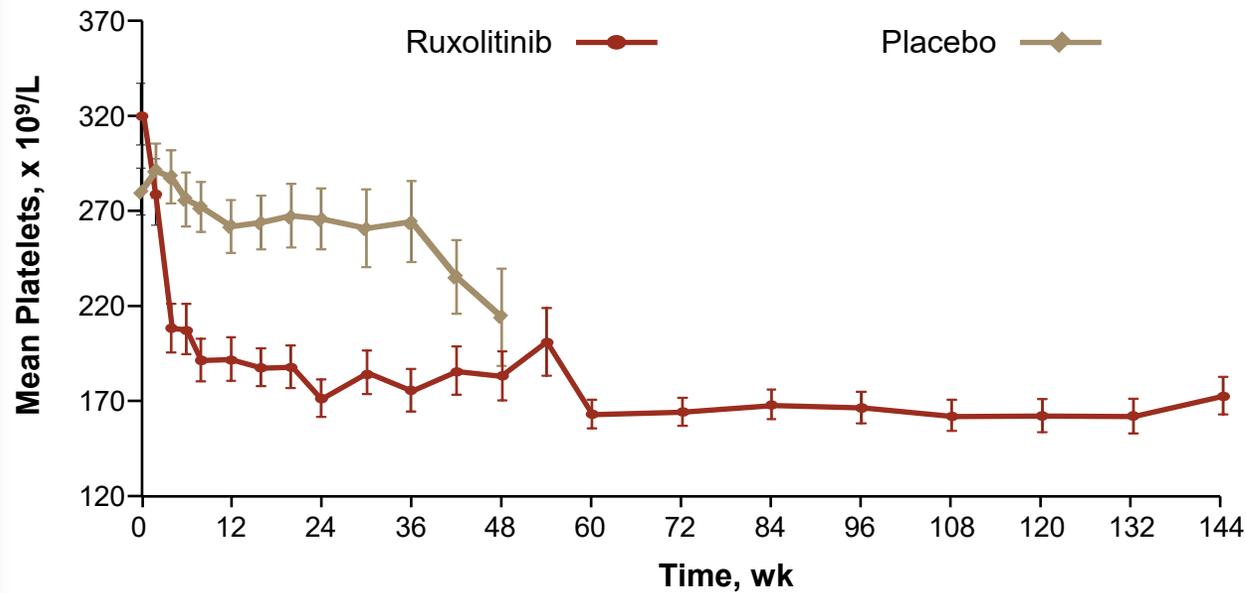
	Ruxolitinib	BAT
↓ Spleen volume	132 (97%)	35 (56%)
↑ Spleen volume	4 (3%)	28 (44%)

# Improvement in Symptoms: Ruxolitinib vs. BAT



# Mean Platelet Count and Hemoglobin Over Time COMFORT-1<sup>1</sup>

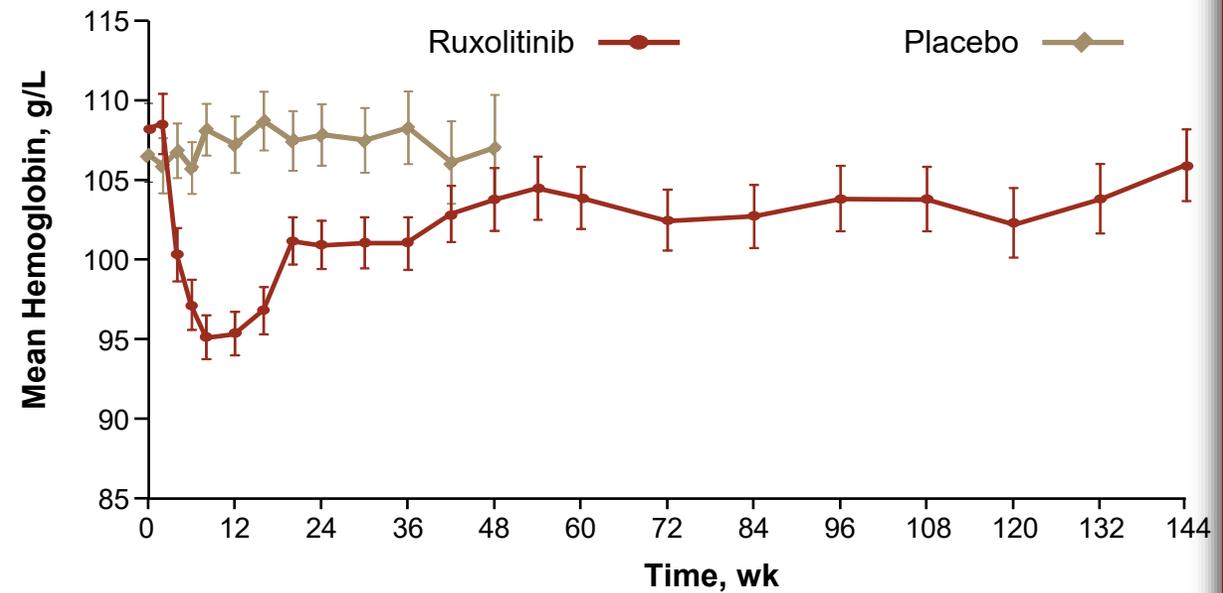
## Platelet Count



No. of Patients

<b>RUX</b>	155	144	143	136	124	112	110	107	104	100	94	88	79
<b>Placebo</b>	151	128	112	82	37								

## Hemoglobin

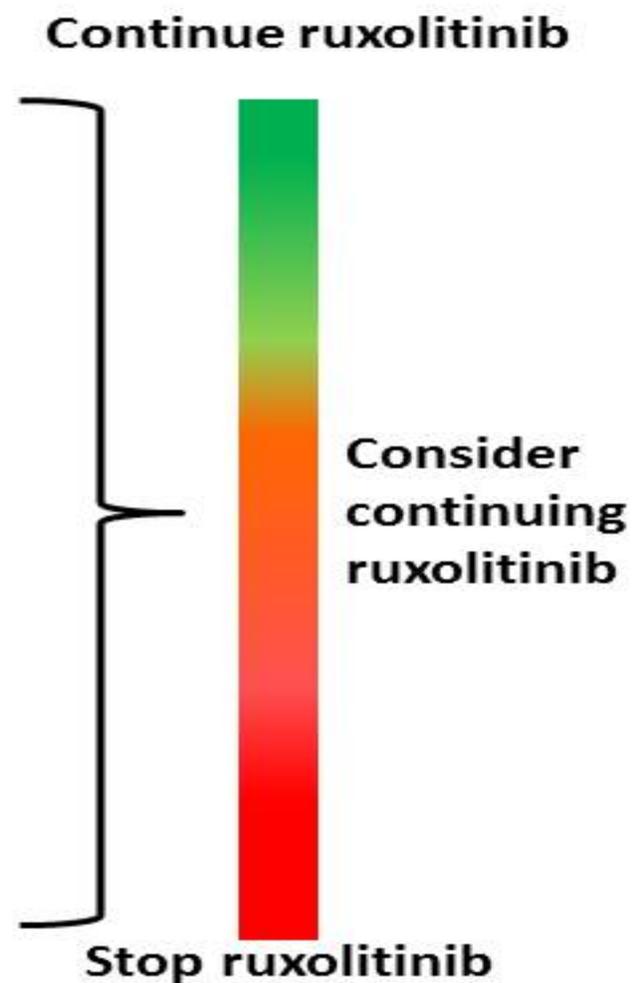


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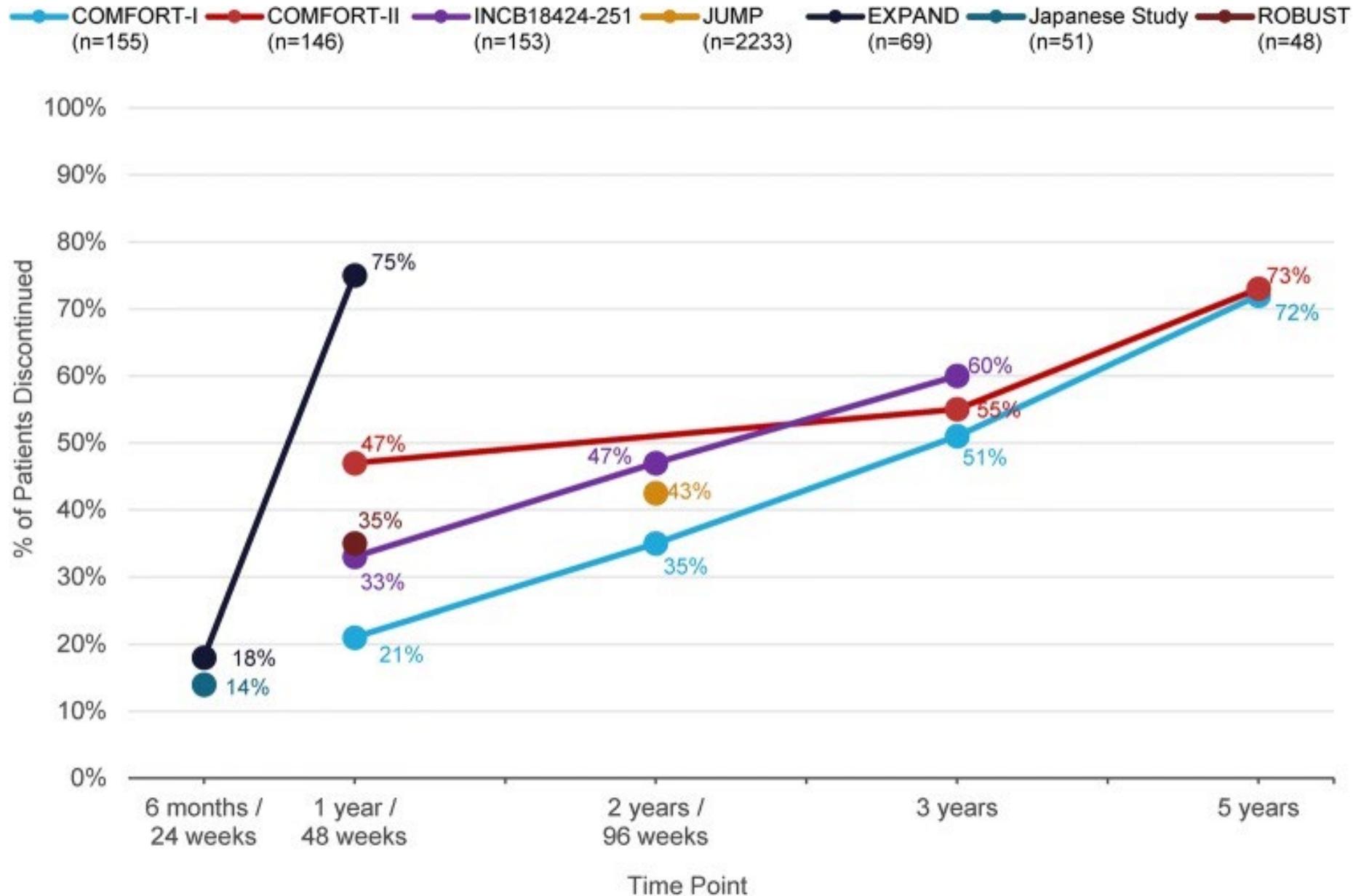
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# British Guidelines for myelofibrosis & use of JAK inhibitors

Symptoms	Spleen	Haematological toxicity
Clear	Clear	No
		Yes
Suboptimal	Suboptimal	No
		Yes
Minimal	Equivocal	No
		Yes
None	None	No
		Yes

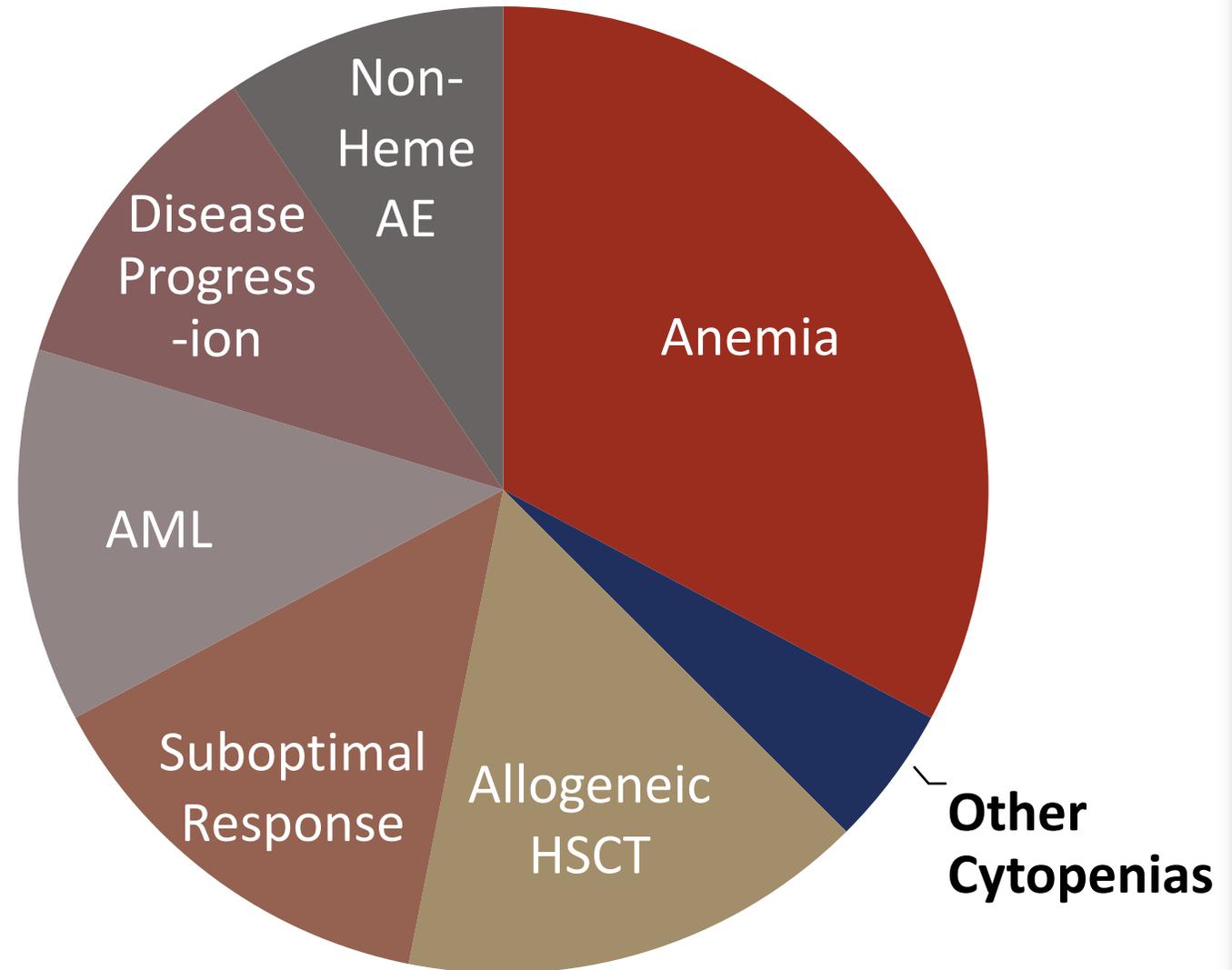


# Duration of Ruxolitinib therapy



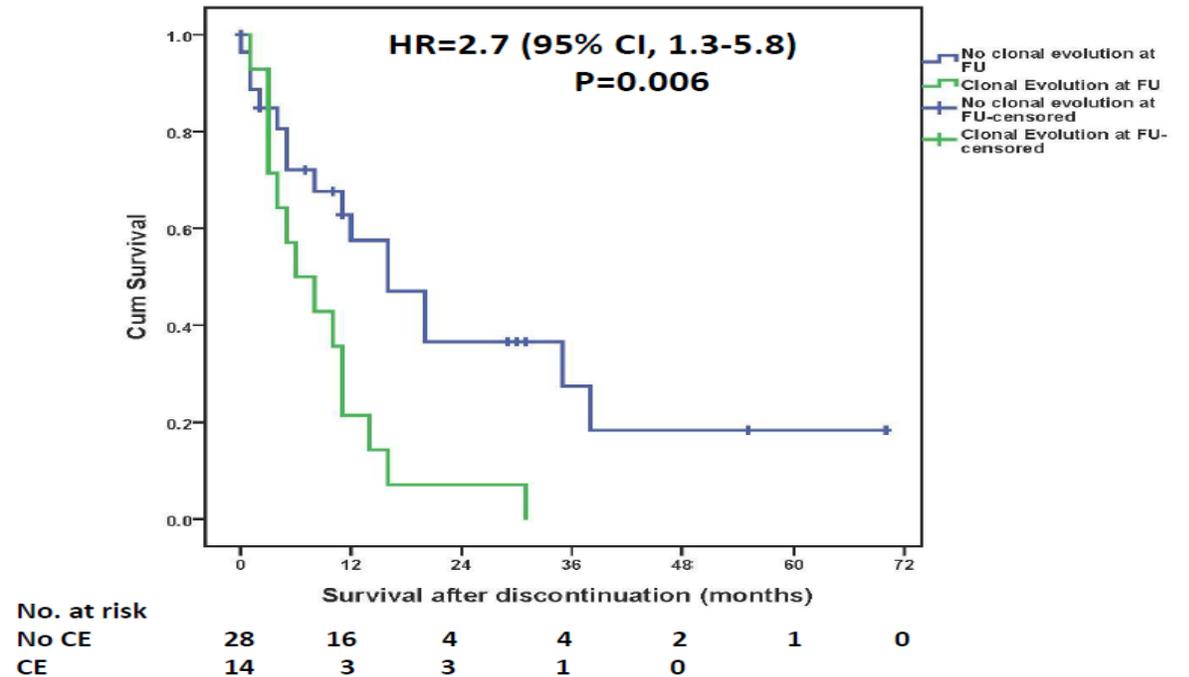
# Reasons for stopping Ruxolitinib

Anemia appears to be the leading cause of ruxolitinib discontinuations



# Outcomes in MF after Ruxolitinib Discontinuation

- Survival after ruxolitinib d/c poor, median 14 months
- Shorter survival associated with low platelets
- 35% patients acquired a new mutation while receiving ruxolitinib (61% *ASXL1*)
- Patients showing clonal evolution had significantly shorter survival after d/c (6 vs 16 months,  $P=0.006$ )

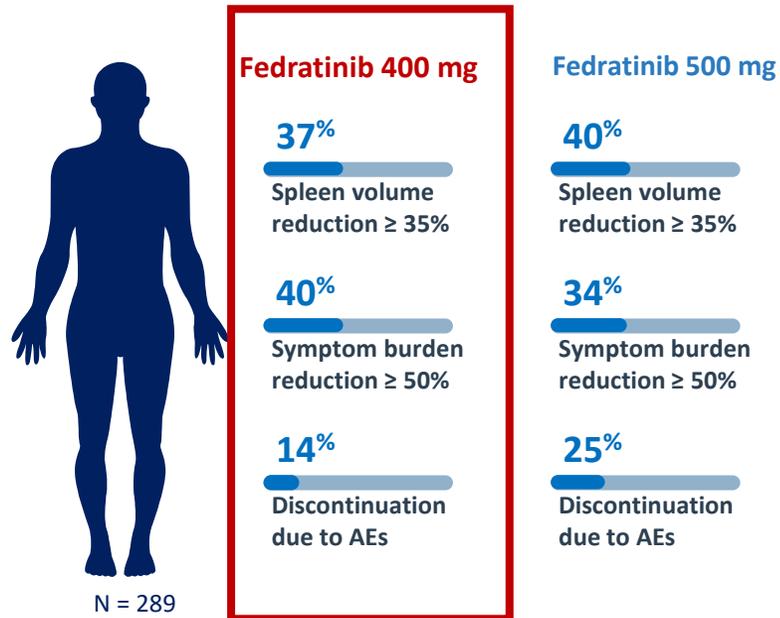


- Salvage therapy or re-challenge with ruxolitinib can provide responses after d/c.
- This continues to be an area of unmet clinical need in MF.<sup>2</sup>

# Fedratinib in Myelofibrosis: JAKARTA and JAKARTA-2 Trials

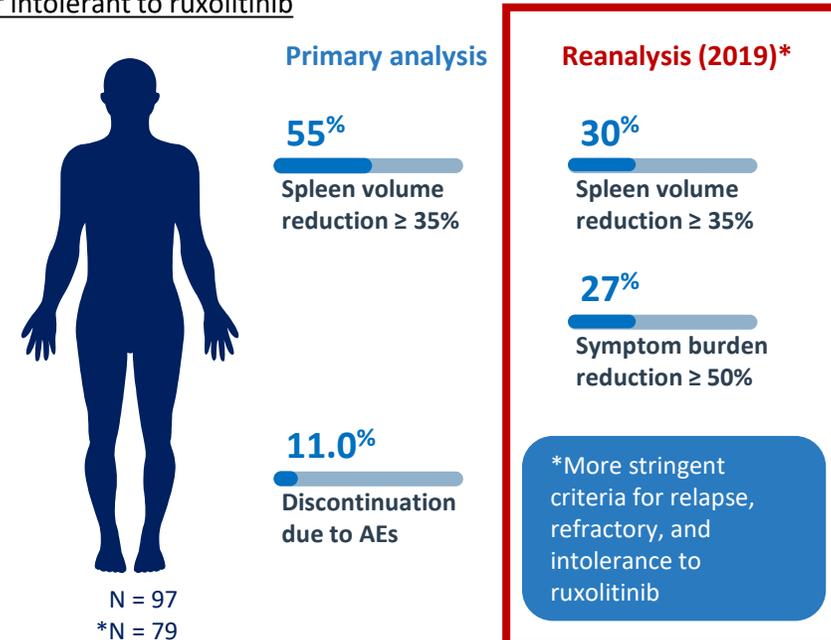
## Phase 3 JAKARTA Trial

Fedratinib vs placebo in patients with Int-2/high-risk MF first line



## Phase 2 JAKARTA-2 Trial

Fedratinib vs placebo in patients with Int-2/high-risk MF resistant or intolerant to ruxolitinib



• AE = Adverse Event; Int-2 = Intermediate-2

• Pardanani A, et al. *JAMA Oncol.* 2015;1(5):643-651; Harrison CN, et al. *Lancet Haematol.* 2017;4(7):317-324; Harrison CN, et al. *ASCO* 2019. Abstract 7057.

# Fedratinib Adverse Events: JAKARTA Trial

Adverse Event, %	Fedratinib 400 mg (n = 96)		Fedratinib 500 mg (n = 97)		Placebo (n = 95)	
	All Grades	Grade 3 or 4	All Grades	Grade 3 or 4	All Grades	Grade 3 or 4
<b>Nonhematologic</b>						
Diarrhea	66	5	56	5	16	0
Vomiting	42	3	55	9	5	0
Nausea	64	0	51	6	15	0
Constipation	10	2	18	0	7	0
Asthenia	9	2	16	4	6	1
Abdominal pain	15	0	12	1	16	1
Fatigue	16	6	10	5	1	0
<b>Hematologic</b>						
Anemia	99	43	98	60	91	25
Thrombocytopenia	63	17	57	27	51	9
Lymphopenia	57	21	66	27	54	21
Leukopenia	47	6	53	16	19	3
Neutropenia	28	8	44	18	15	4

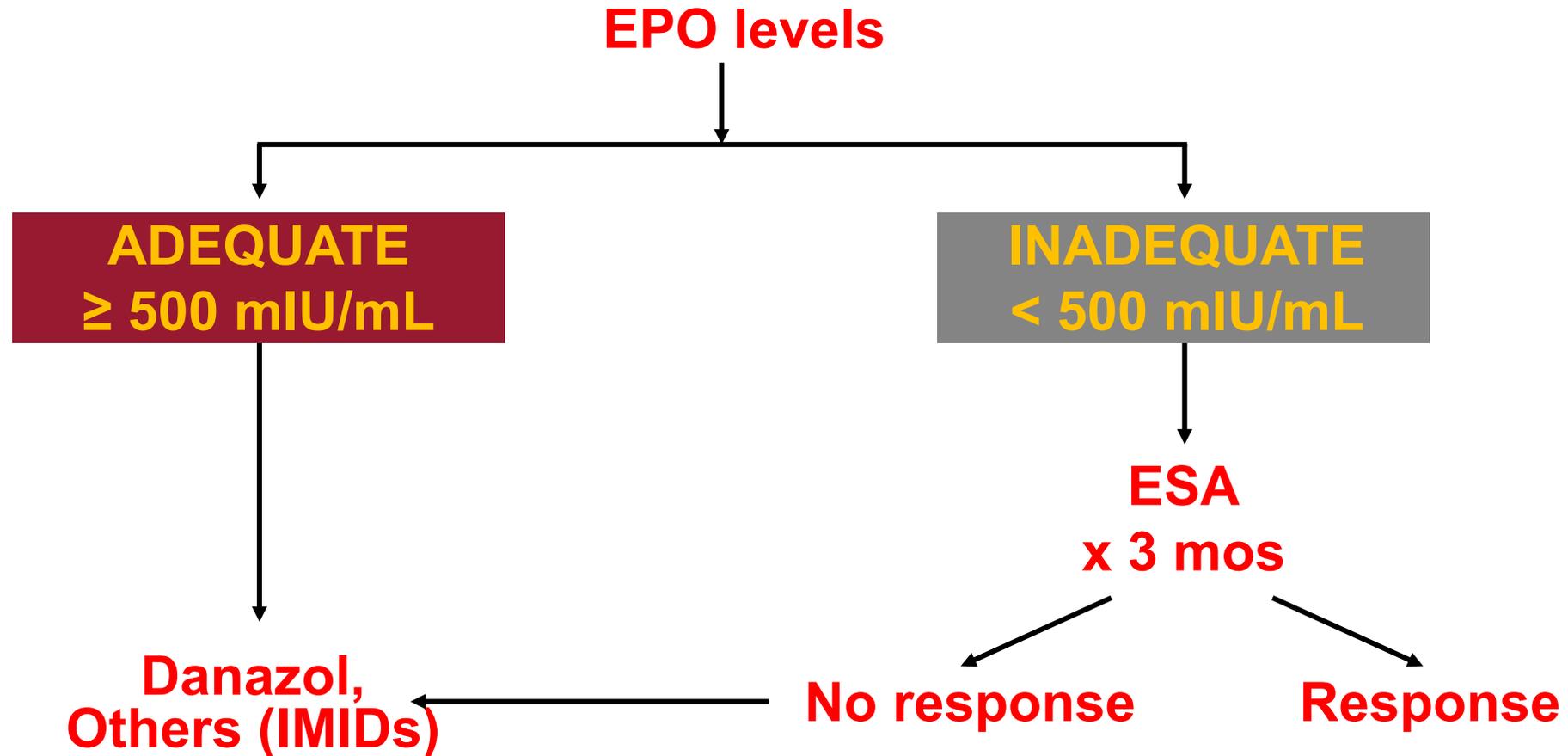
## Black box warning

- Wernicke's encephalopathy (ataxia, altered mental status, ophthalmoplegia) occurred in 8 of 608 (1.3%) patients receiving fedratinib in clinical trials

## Considerations

- Measure and address thiamine levels prior to treatment initiation
- Do not start fedratinib in patients with thiamine deficiency

# Approach to the Treatment of Anemia in MF



# Approach to the Treatment of Thrombocytopenia in MF

# Splenectomy in MF

## ASSOCIATED RISKS

- 40% morbidity
- 10% mortality
- Liver enlargement and failure
- Higher acute transformation rate?
- Average survival post splenectomy:  
18 months

## CONTRAINDICATION

Thrombocytosis

## MAIN INDICATIONS

- Symptomatic splenomegaly unresponsive to treatment
- Severe refractory anemia and thrombocytopenia
- Unresponsive constitutional symptoms
- Uncontrollable hemolysis
- Portal hypertension

# Selected JAKi-Based Rational Combinations

	Drug	Mechanism of Action	Phase
Accelerated/blastic phase	Azacitidine	HMA	2
	Decitabine	HMA	2
Cytopenia (ANEMIA)	Luspatercept	Activin receptor ligand rap	3
	Danazol	Androgen	2
	Thalidomide	IMiD	2
	Pomalidomide	IMiD	1/2
	PEG-IFN $\alpha$ -2 $\alpha$	-	1/2
	PU-H71	HSP90i	1/2
Higher Responses In Spleen and Symptoms	Itacitinib	JAK1i	2
	Navitoclax	BCL-2/BCL-xL	3
	Parsaclisib	PI3K $\delta$ i	3
	KRT-232	MDM2i	3
	CPI-0610	BETi	3
	Pevonedistat	NAEi	1

# Selected Novel Single Agent Trials in Myelofibrosis

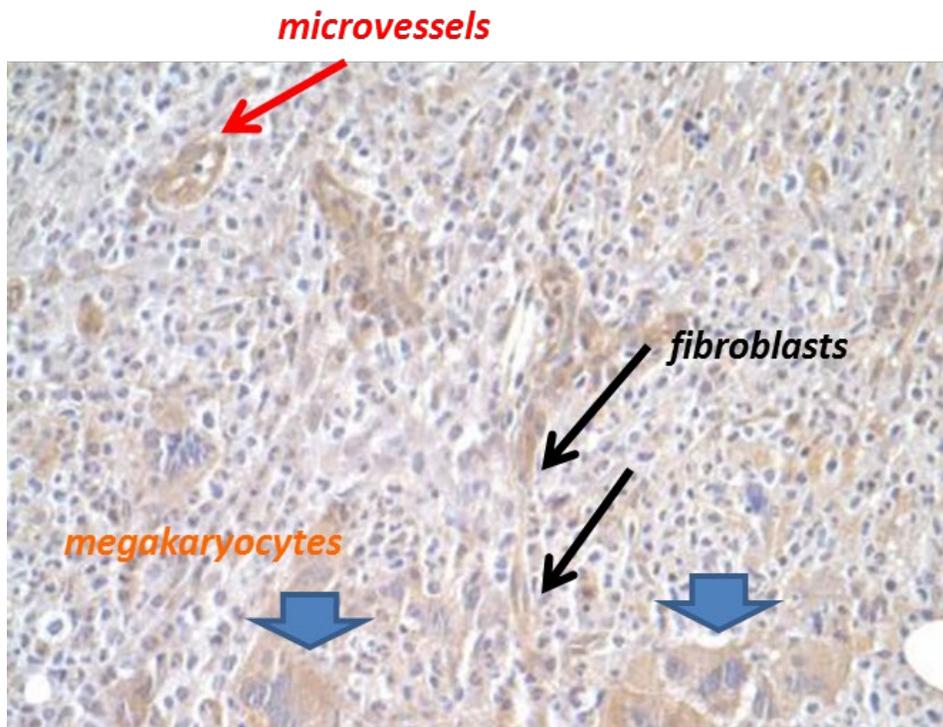
Agent	Drug Class	Phase
LCL-161	Smac-mimetic (IAP antagonist)	2
Momelotinib and pacritinib	JAK inhibitors	3
Tagraxofusp	CD123-targeting fusion protein	2
PRT543	PRMT5 inhibitor	1/2
Bomedemstat	LSD1 inhibitor	1/2
INCB054828	ALK inhibitor	1/2
Imetelstat	Telomerase inhibitor	3
PRM-151	Recombinant human pentraxin-2	2
Nivolumab/pembrolizumab	Anti-PD1 antibodies	2
Selinexor	SINE	2

# LOXL2 in myelofibrosis

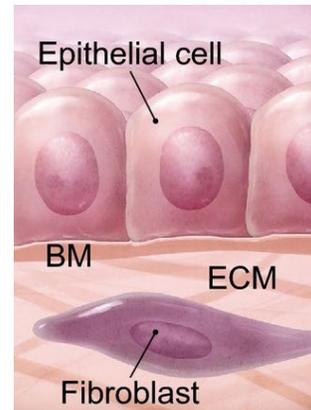
- LOXL2 is an enzyme that catabolizes the formation of lysine cross-linking in fibrillar collagens and elastins in the extracellular matrix
- LOXL2 is upregulated in Myelofibrosis and drives formation of BM fibrosis



LOXL2 Staining in MF-BM

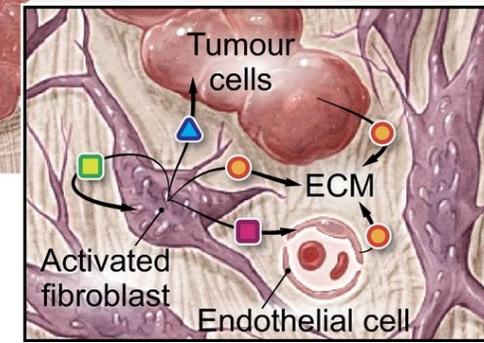
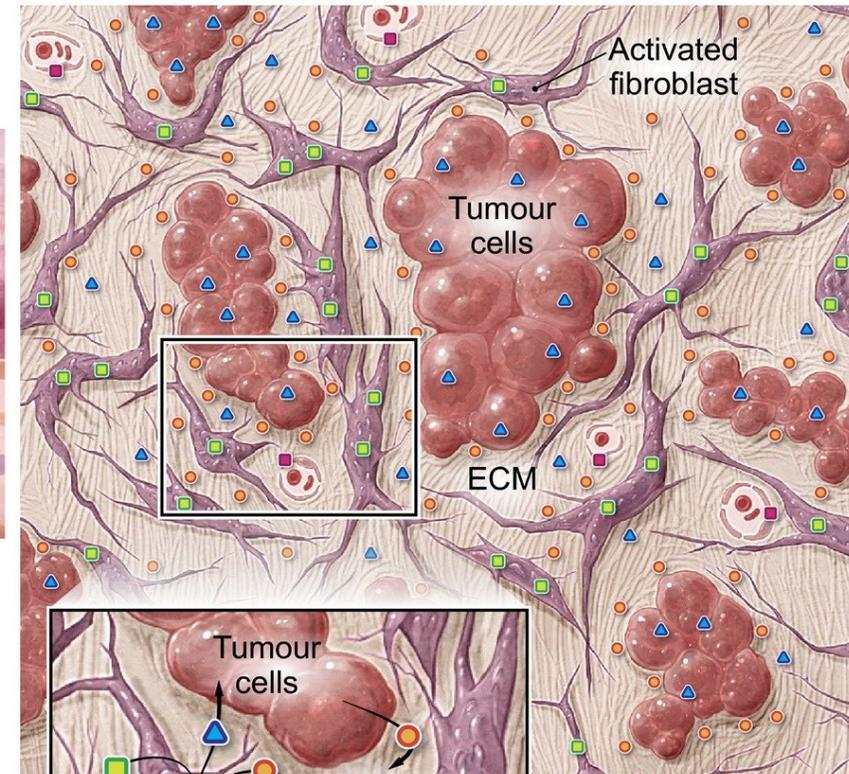


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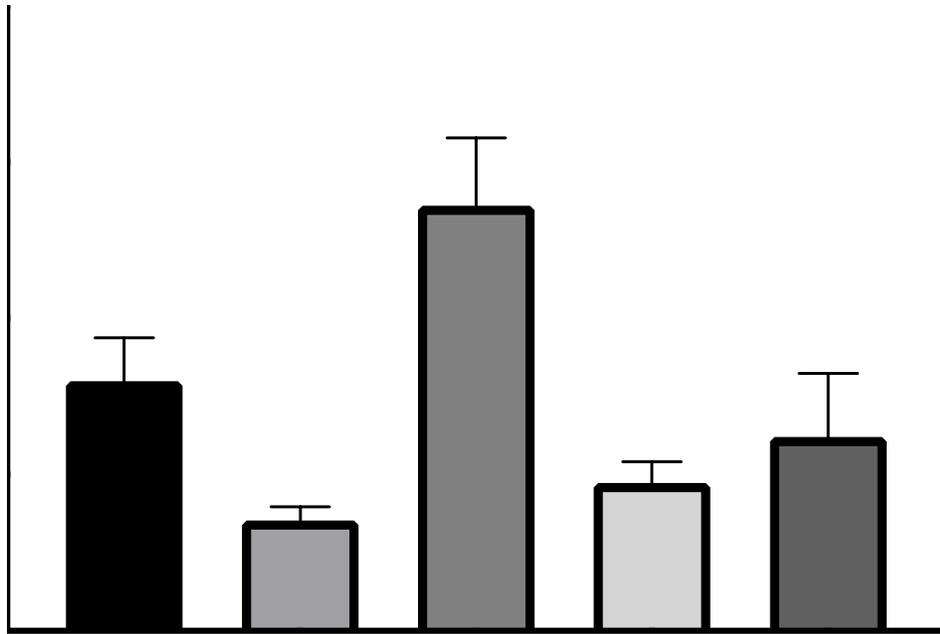
BM = Basement membrane  
ECM = Extracellular matrix

TUMOUR MICROENVIRONMENT

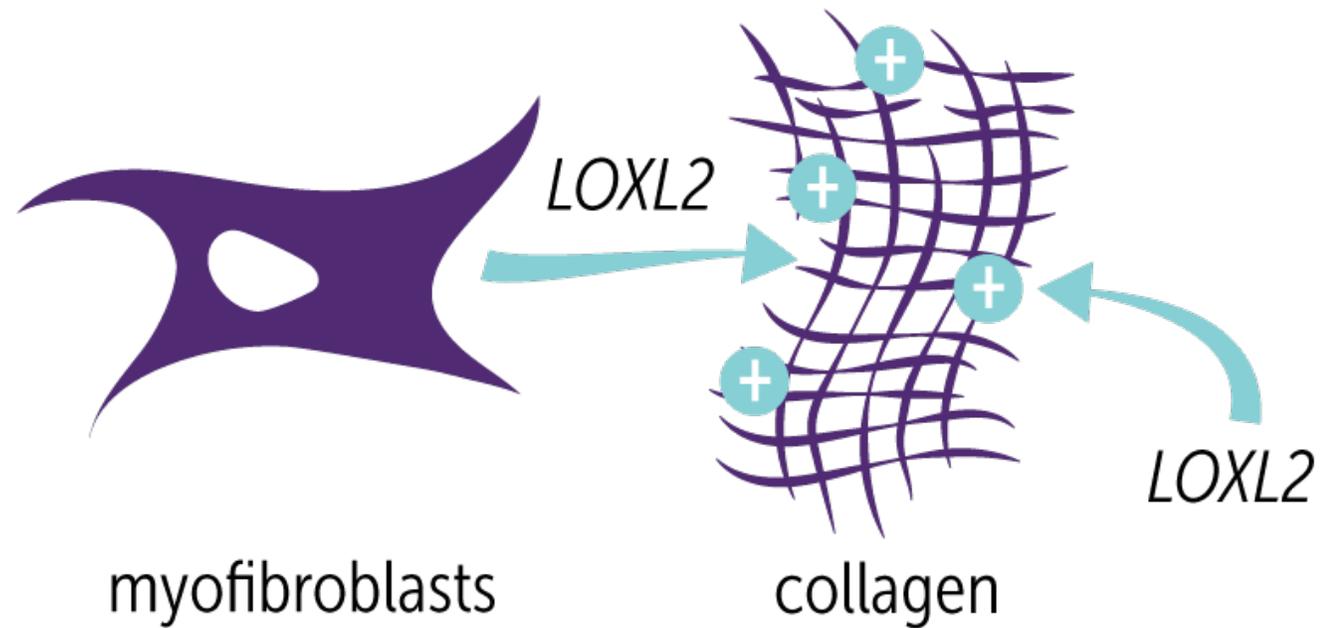


- LOXL2
- ▲ CXCL12
- TGF-β
- VEGF

# Targeting fibrosis via the LOXL2 mechanism



LOX Family Gene Expression in Myelofibrosis Stromal Cells



# GB2064 in myelofibrosis bone marrow (BM)

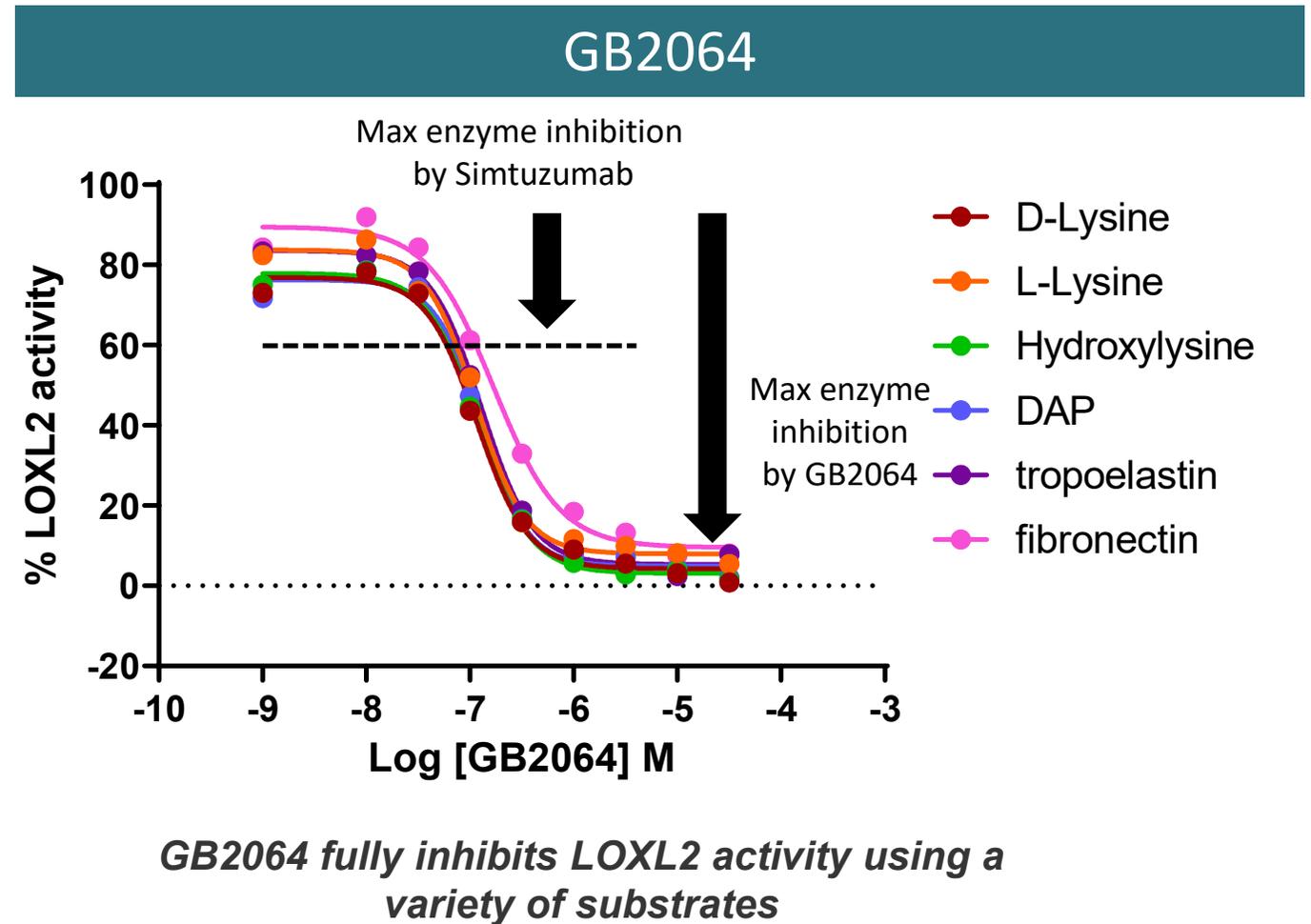
- The pseudoirreversible inhibition of the LOXL2 enzyme by GB2064 during **C-max**, and its fast clearance ( $T_{1/2}$  cirka 3 hours) enables
  - A hit and run enzyme inhibition
  - long duration effect in the bone marrow independent of the plasma concentration
  - Low systemic toxicity, due to low systemic drug levels for most of the time
  - Different than Simtuzumab (LOXL2 antibody previously tested in a clinical study)
- The potential effect of GB2064 in the BM may lead to
  - Reduced fibrotic bulk and more blood formation space
  - LOXL2 inhibition may have direct anti-cancer effects via reduced H3K4 oxidation (1) and via decreased stiffness of the extracellular matrix (2)
  - Increased blood formation and slower progression of the disease, i.e. be disease modifying

1) Cebrià-Costa, J.P., Pascual-Reguant, L., Gonzalez-Perez, A. *et al.* LOXL2-mediated H3K4 oxidation reduces chromatin accessibility in triple-negative breast cancer cells. *Oncogene* **39**, 79–121 (2020)

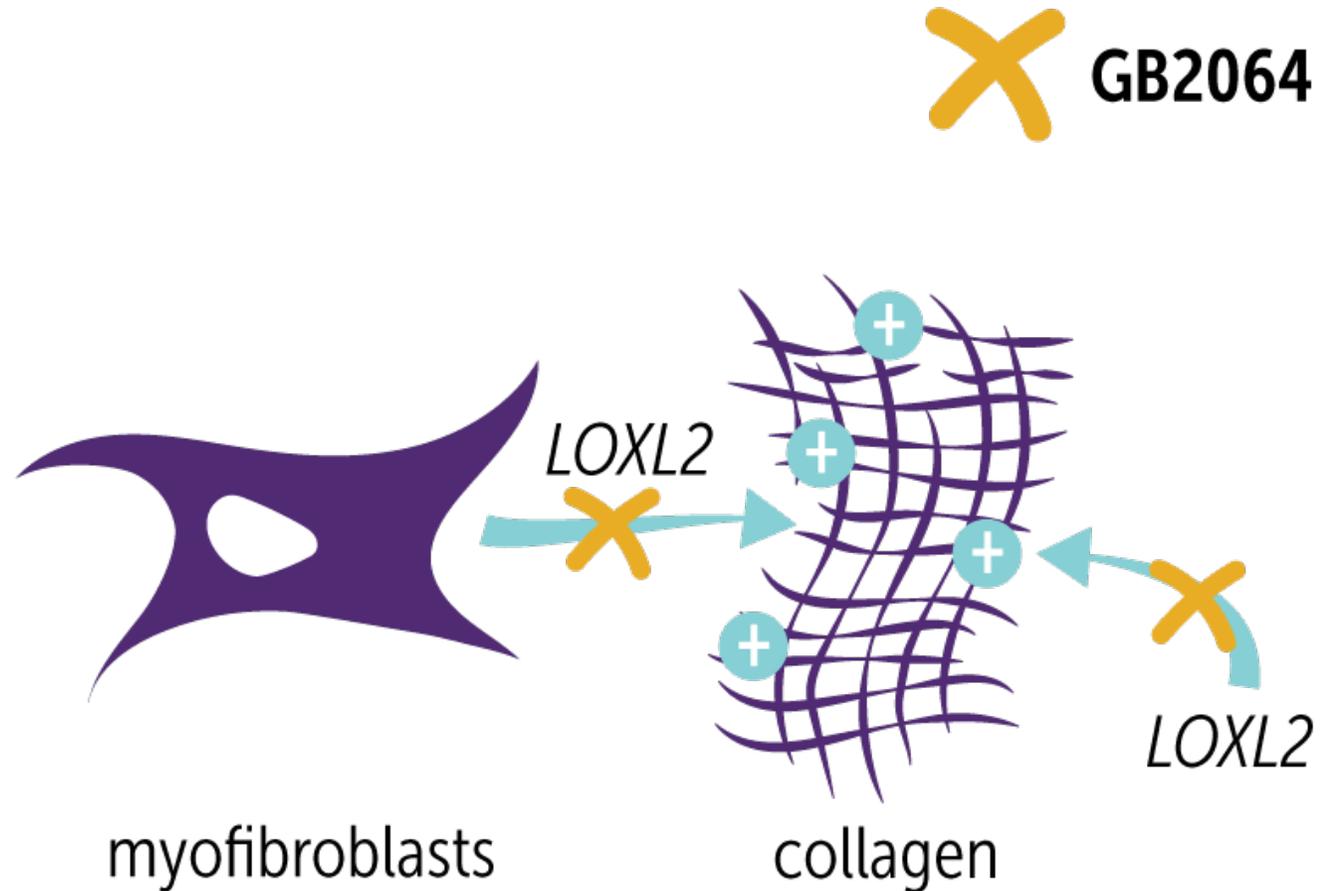
2) Dinca SC, Greiner D, Weidenfeld K, Bond L, Barkan D, Jorczyk CL. Novel mechanism for OSM-promoted extracellular matrix remodeling in breast cancer: LOXL2 upregulation and subsequent ECM alignment. *Breast Cancer Res.* 2021 May 19;23(1):56

# GB2064: Demonstrated *in vitro* inhibition of LOXL2

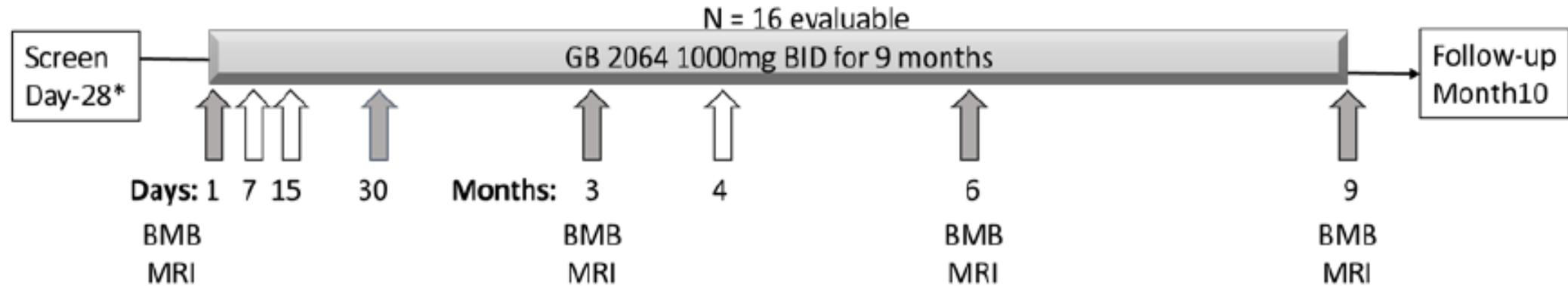
- GB2064 is a small-molecule inhibitor of the LOXL2 enzyme catalytic site, not an antibody approach
- GB2064 therefore has the potential to avoid the *in vivo* target low tissue penetration and low target engagement seen with Gilead's simtuzumab
- Simtuzumab maximal enzyme inhibition of 40% at the clinically unattainable 1 $\mu$ M level
- GB2064's superior efficacy to simtuzumab has been observed in cell-based assays and preclinical models



# Targeting fibrosis via the LOXL2 mechanism



# The MYLOX-1 study design and read-outs



- 16 evaluable patients (ineligible for or previously Rx with a JAKi)
- Open label GB2064
- 9 month therapy with GB2064 1g BID
- Biopsy at visit every 3 months
- additional safety and tolerability assessments performed at D7, D15, and M4

- Interim read after 8 evaluable patients completed 6 months of therapy and BMB.

- Bone Marrow biopsy (BMB) and MRI scan at Day 1, and then every 3 months
- Spleen volume
- BM fibrosis (central read)
- GB2064 assessment in BM tissue
- Clinical variables
  - Safety and Tolerability
  - Clinical activity assessments
  - PK/ PD
  - Biomarker assessments
  - Transfusion dependency
  - DIPSS plus assessment
  - MPN 10 and QoL assessments

# GB2064: Phase 2a in myelofibrosis - Summary

- Ample evidence for central role of increased LOXL2 activity in myelofibrosis
- GB2064 potently inhibits LOXL2 in a pseudoirreversible manner, and shows antifibrotic activity in numerous models
- Upcoming Phase 2a trial is designed to generate both target engagement and efficacy data
- Opportunity for both orphan drug designation and fast track designation
- IND approved October 2020, and Phase 2a trial is about to start
- **Phase 1 SAD/MAD study completed in healthy volunteers**
  - Safe and well tolerated
  - Reproducible PK suitable for twice daily dosing
- **Chronic toxicology studies completed**

**Thank You**

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# GB2064: Oral LOXL2 Inhibitor in Myelofibrosis

## Overview and Treatment Opportunity

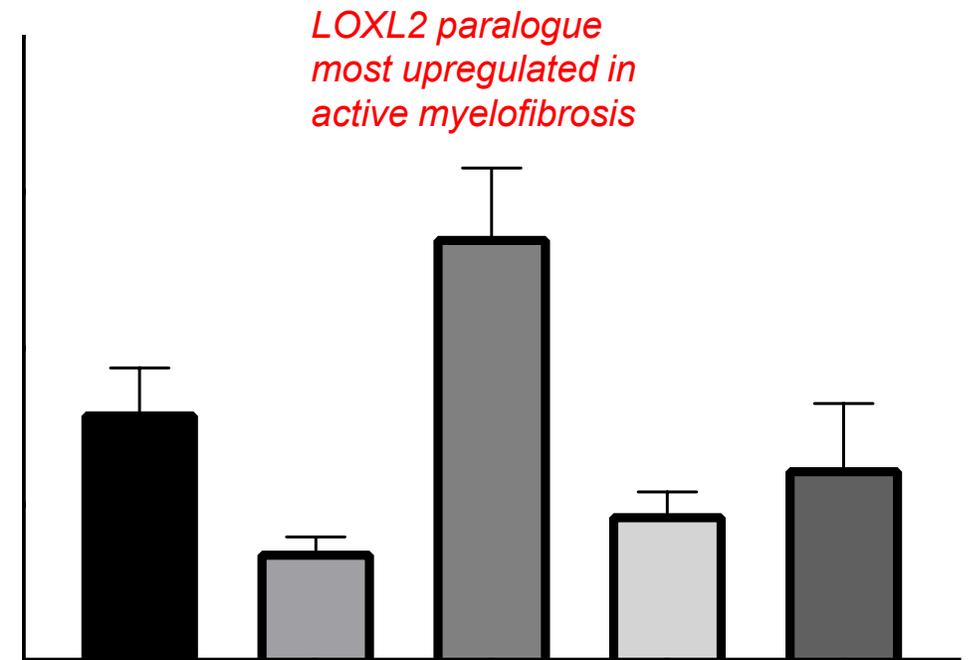
### GB2064 (previously PAT-1251)

- A small-molecule inhibiting LOXL2, an enzyme that catabolizes the formation of lysine cross-linking in fibrillar collagens
- Potentially disease modifying
- Opportunity in multiple fibrotic indications

### Myelofibrosis:

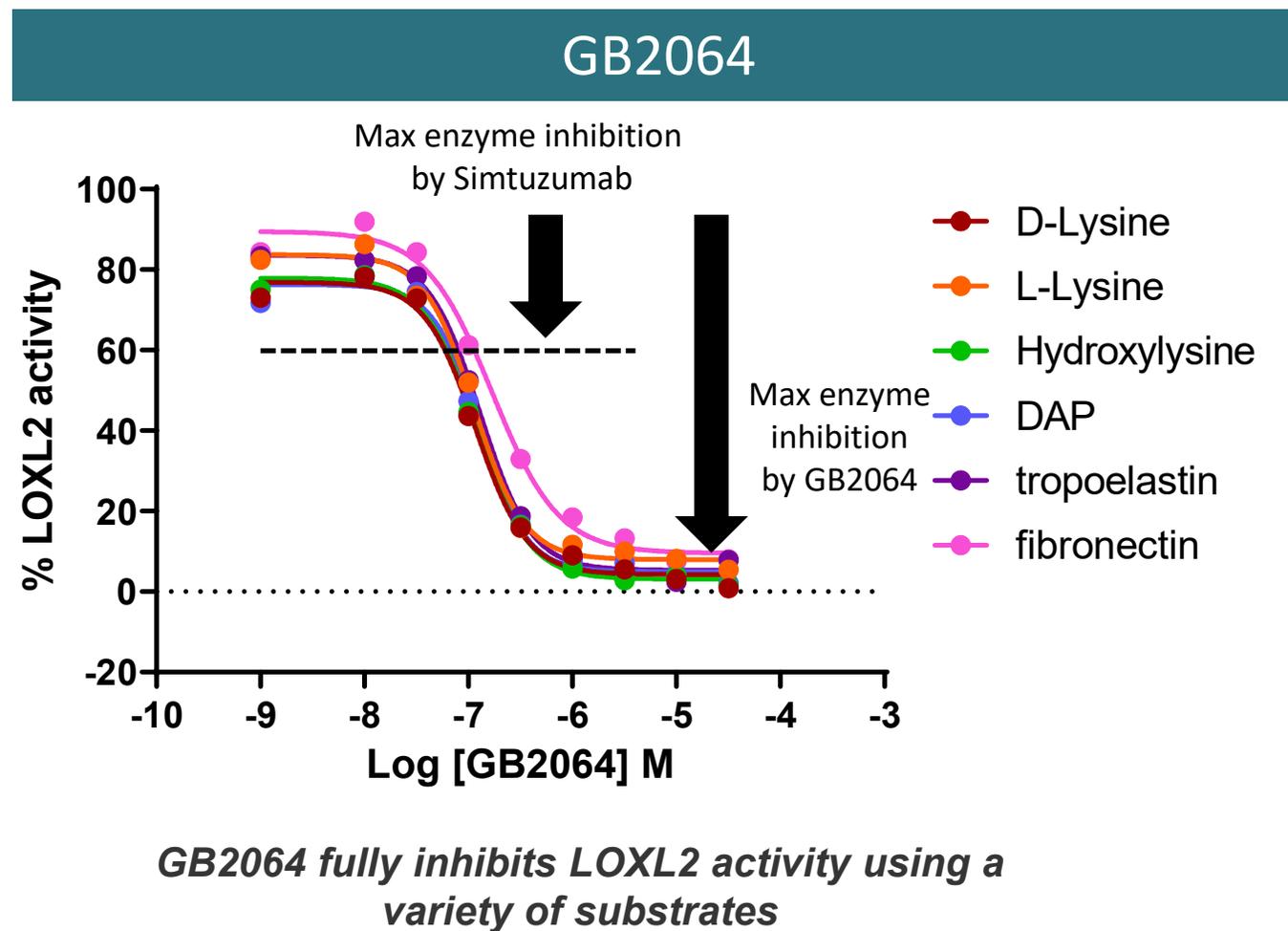
- Orphan indication: 16,000 - 18,500 patients in US
- Current therapies (JAK inhibitors) are not disease modifying
- Large market - Incyte's Jakafi achieved sales of \$1.9B & \$1.7B in 2020 & 2019, respectively

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## MYLOX-1: GB2064 in Myelofibrosis

- First patient dosing expected in coming months
- Single arm, open label study allowing real-time read of safety and activity
  - Planned for 16 evaluable patients initially for 9 months of treatment
- Patients who are ineligible for JAK-inhibitors or who do not tolerate JAKi
- Planned endpoints for readout include:
  - Blood formation
  - Bone marrow general histology and fibrosis
  - Demonstration of drug levels in target tissue
  - Imaging for spleen and liver volume

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  - Opportunity for both orphan drug designation and fast track designation following data in this indication
- IND approved October 2020, and Phase 2a trial to start in coming months
  - Phase 1 SAD/MAD study already completed
  - Chronic toxicology studies completed
  - Robust efficacy in lung, liver and kidney models

# Q&A

# Unique Pipeline Targeting Fibrosis and Cancer

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