

G-CSF – a wonderful molecule

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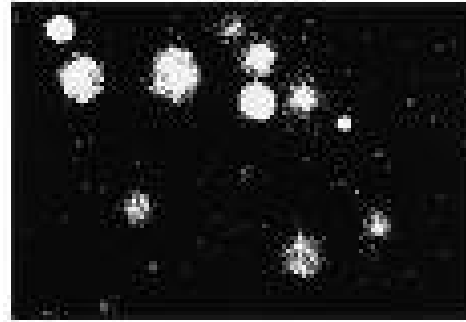


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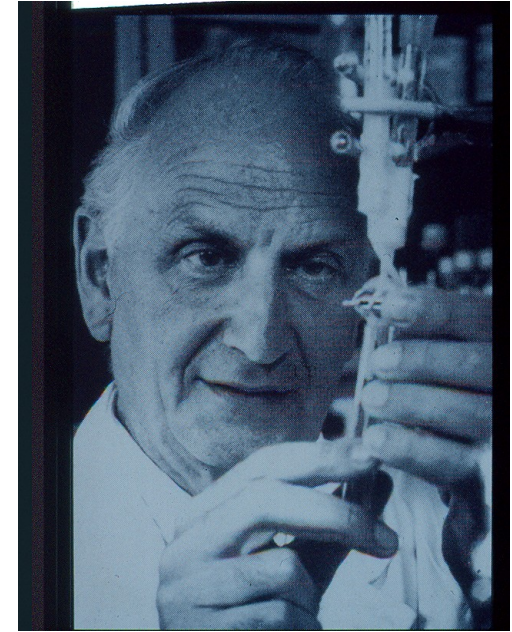


Donald Metcalf

The growth of mouse bone marrow cells in vitro. Aust J Exp Bio Med Sci
1966



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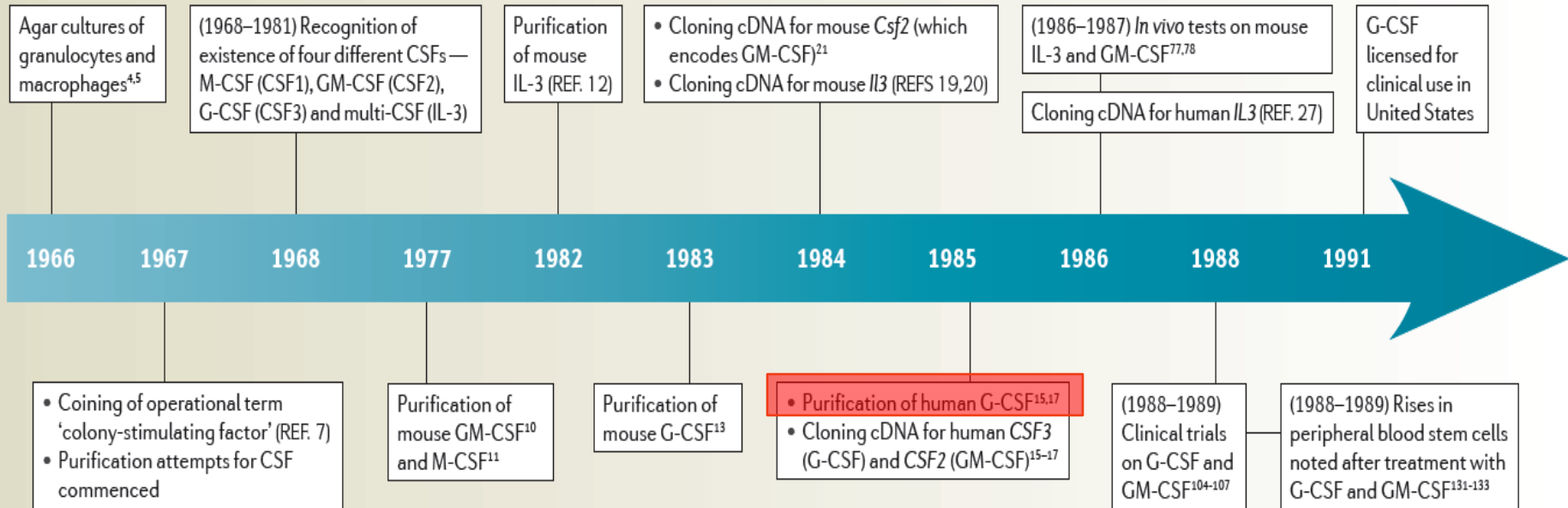
Leo Sachs

The cloning of normal mast cells in tissue cultures. J.Cell.Physiol.
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The early 1960s

Metcalf, D., Nature Review Cancer, 2010

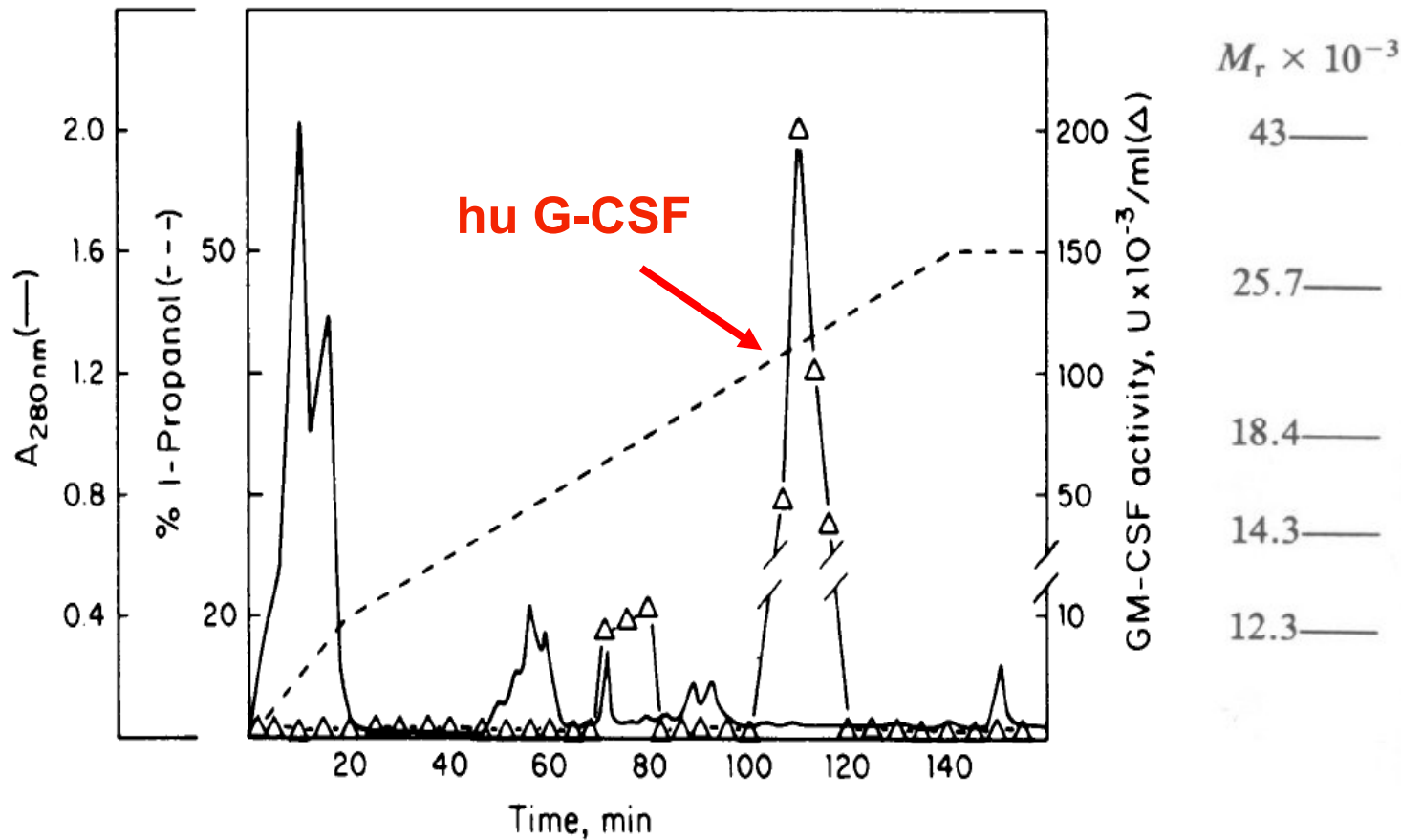
Timeline | Major events in the development of the colony-stimulating factors



CSF, colony-stimulating factor; G-CSF, granulocyte-CSF; GM-CSF, granulocyte–macrophage-CSF; IL-3, interleukin 3; M-CSF, macrophage-CSF.

Purification of G-CSF

(40 L supernatant of the 5637 cell line: 5 μg G-CSF)



$M_r \times 10^{-3}$

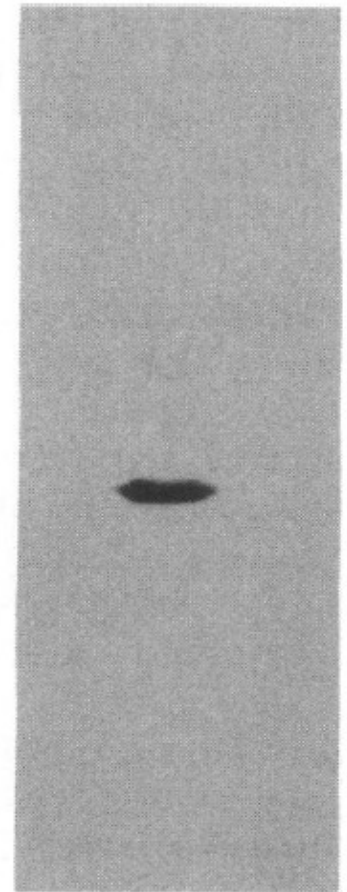
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Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA
Vol. 82, pp. 1526–1530, March 1985
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Purification and biochemical characterization of human pluripotent hematopoietic colony-stimulating factor

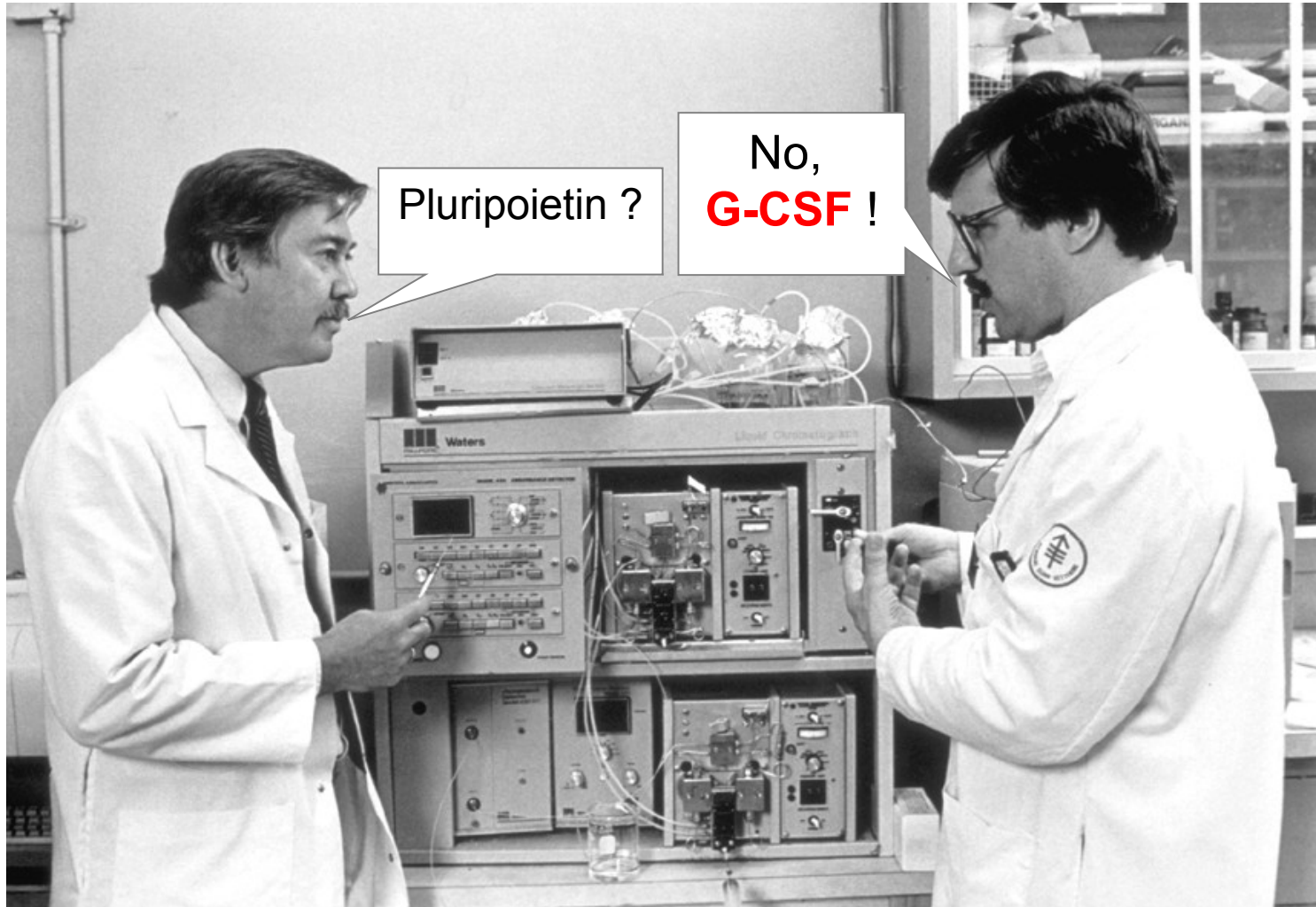
(protein purification/hematopoietic stem cells)

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Communicated by Lewis Thomas, October 24, 1984

MSKCC New York, G-CSF-Laboratory, 1984



Effects of G-CSF on Myelopoiesis

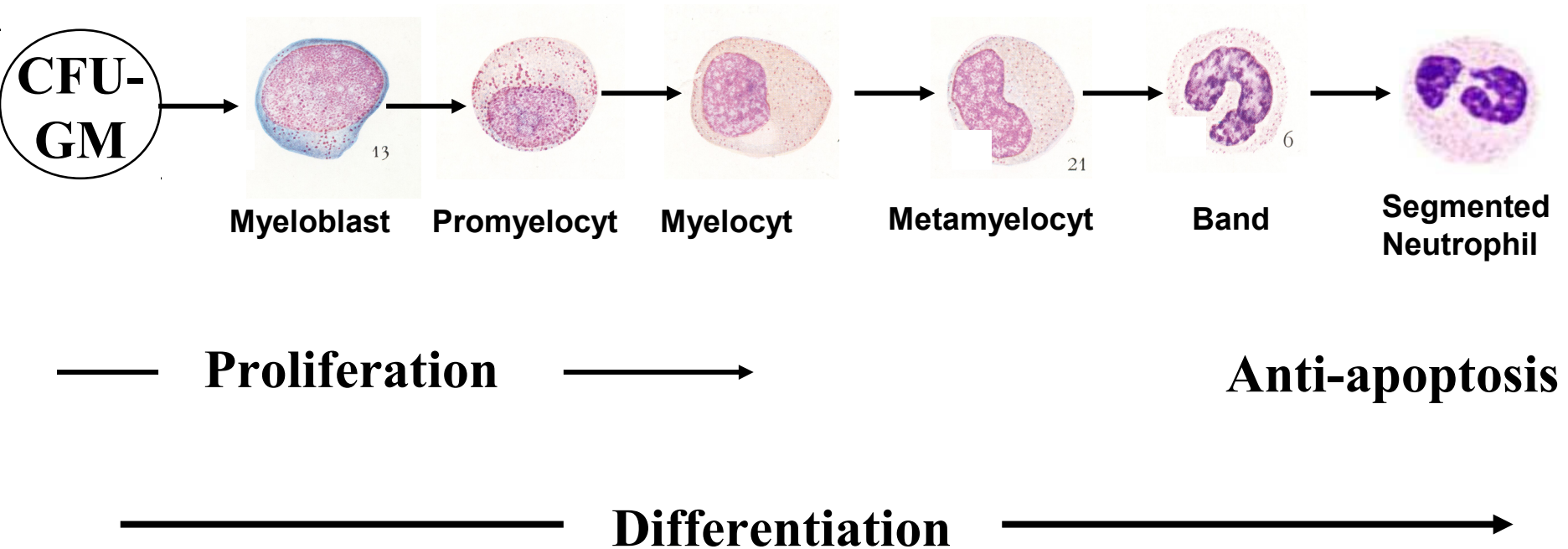


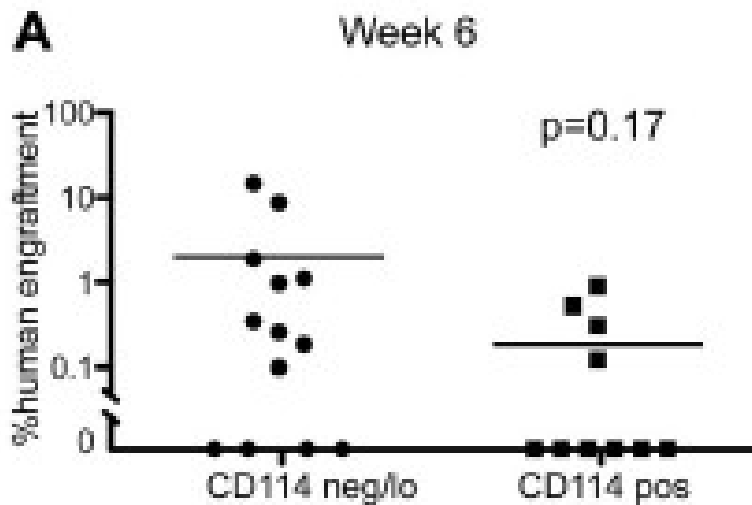
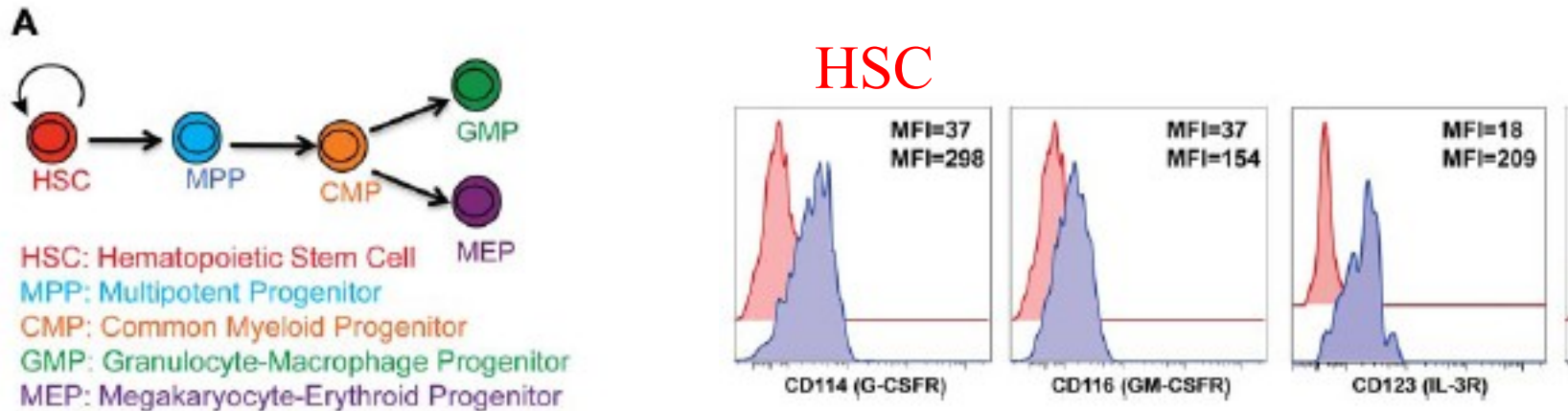
Table 2. Comparison of CFU-GEMM and BFU-E activities of pluripotent CSF (GM-CSF activity, 500 u/ml)

	CFU-GEMM			BFU-E		
	Exp. 1	Exp. 2	Exp. 3	Exp. 1	Exp. 2	Exp. 3
Medi- um*	0.3 ± 0.3	0	0	42 ± 6	17 ± 3	17 ± 2
LCM†	7 ± 1	3 ± 0	3.3 ± 0.3	67 ± 1	65 ± 3	34 ± 3
PP- CSF‡	7.7 ± 2.1	4 ± 0.8	2.3 ± 0.9	85 ± 6	31 ± 1	28 ± 2

Target cells were 5×10^4 per ml of low density, nonadherent, and T-cell-depleted normal human BM cells. Experiment 3 was done in the absence of hemin. The number of colonies is shown as the mean ± SEM.

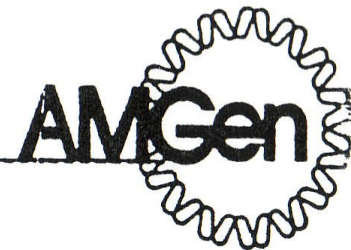
*Iscove's modified Dulbecco medium plus 30% FCS.

Gibbs KD, ..., Weissman, IL, et al., Blood 2011



Engraftment of G-CSFR (CD114) positive cells in NSG-mice

AMINO ACID SEQUENCE REPORT



Sample Number: 062184A Sample submitted by: K.W./L.S.

Sample: Pluripactin

Laboratory: _____ Phone Ext.: _____

Sequence analyzed by: PL/RE/CG

Amount of sample sequenced: 100% Pmoles _____ μ g _____
nmoles _____ mg _____

Total cycles run 30

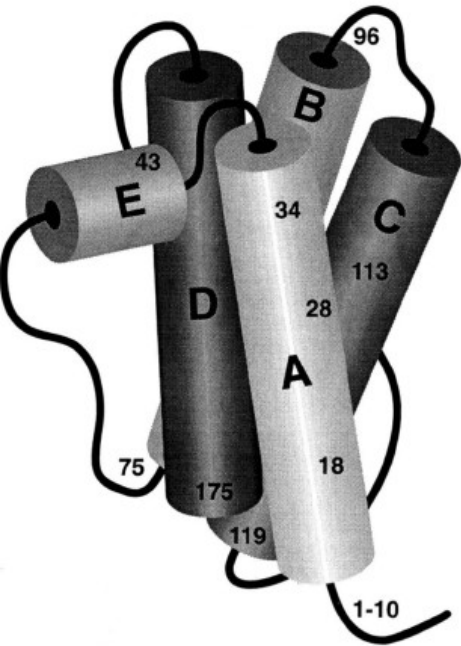
Sequencing method: ABI470A/Beatrice

Pretreatment at protein laboratory: _____

Sequence identified: T¹-P-L-G-P⁵-A-S-(S)-L-P¹⁰-Q-X-M-
(M)¹⁵-X-K-(R)-X-X-(R)²⁰-(L)-X-

Welte, K., et al., PNAS 1985
Souza, L., et al., Science 1986

Biochemical Characteristics of G-CSF:



174 amino acids
Glycosylation: yes
Molecular weight: 19.6 kD

Filgrastim (E.Coli):
175 amino acids
Glycosylation: no
MW18.7 kD,

Nagata, S., et al., Nature 1986,
G-CSF splice form : 177 amino acids

Poster in Wilsede 1984

Modern Trends in Human Leukemia VI

R Neth, RC Gallo, MF Greaves, et al.

Biological activities of a human pluripotent hemopoietic colony-stimulating factor.

Platzer E, Welte K, Lu L, Gabrilove JL, Yung YP, Nathan CF, Mertelsmann R, Moore MA.

[Haematol Blood Transfus. 1985;29:418-22.](#)



United States Patent [19]
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[54] **HUMAN PLURIPOTENT HEMATOPOIETIC COLONY STIMULATING FACTOR**

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[21] Appl. No.: **280,582**

[22] Filed: **Jul. 26, 1994**

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[54] **HUMAN PLURIPOTENT GRANULOCYTE COLONY-STIMULATING FACTOR**

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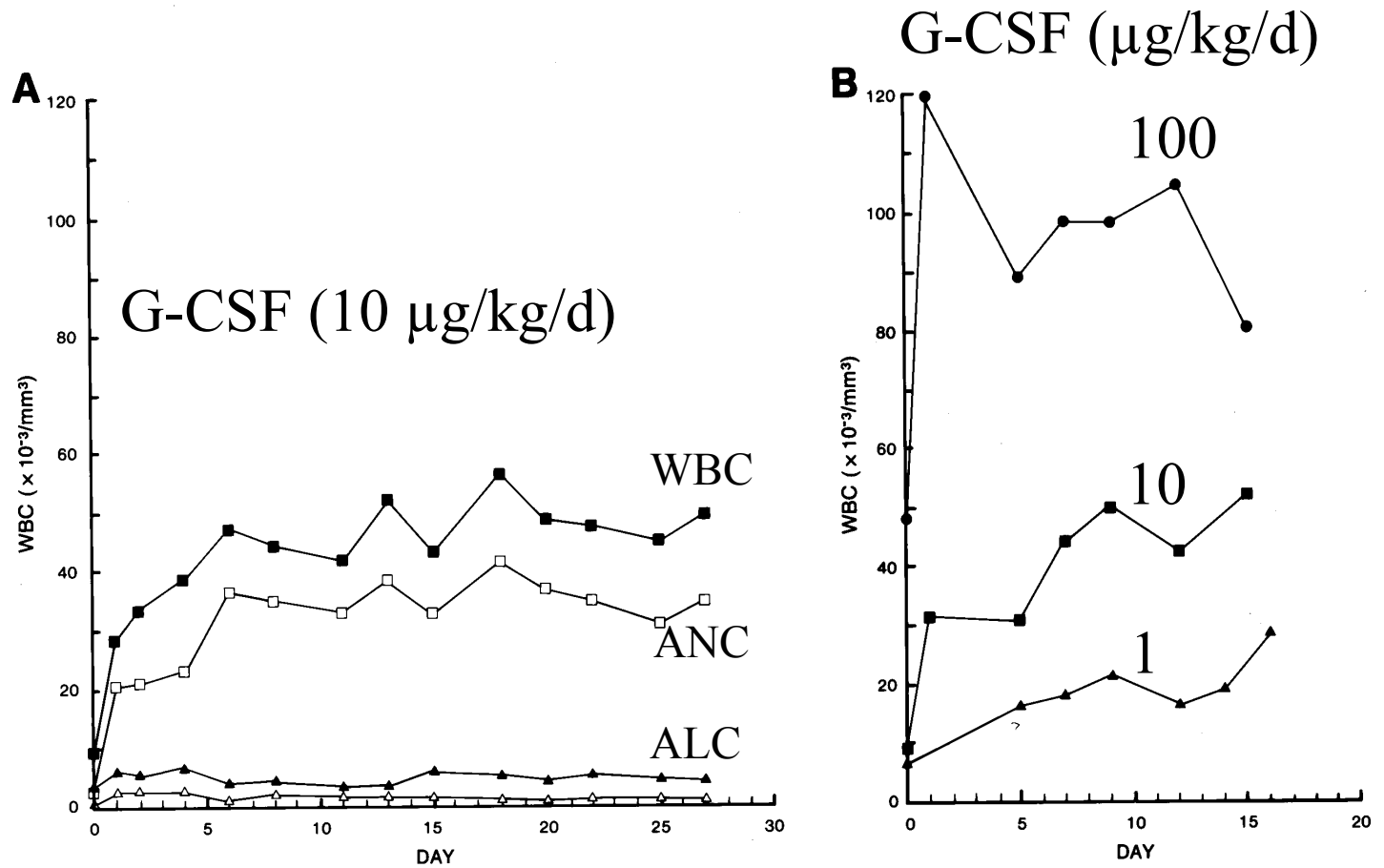
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G-CSF in Primates

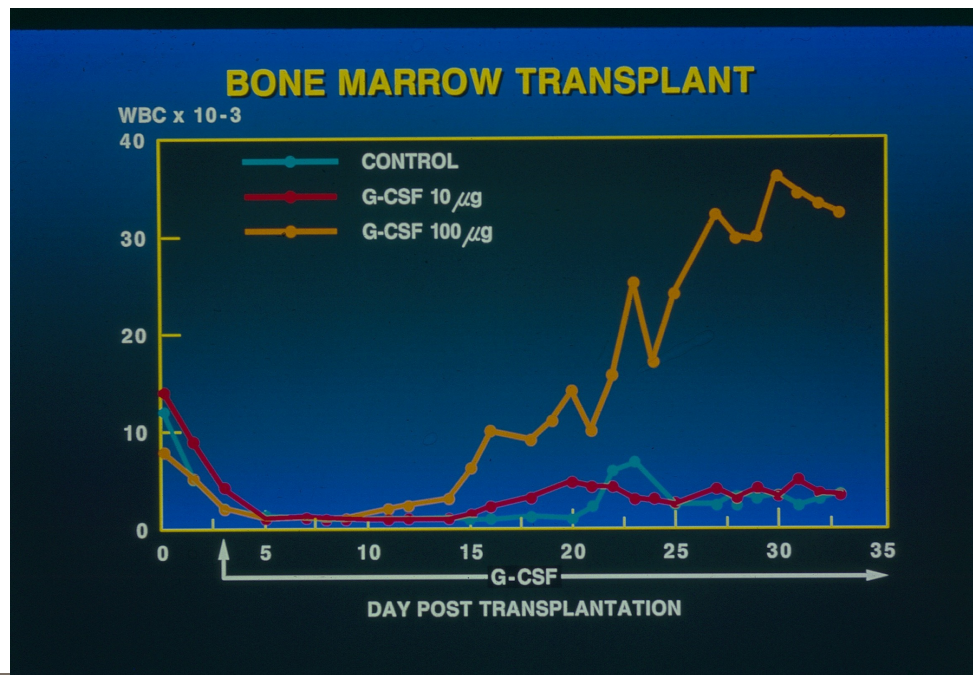
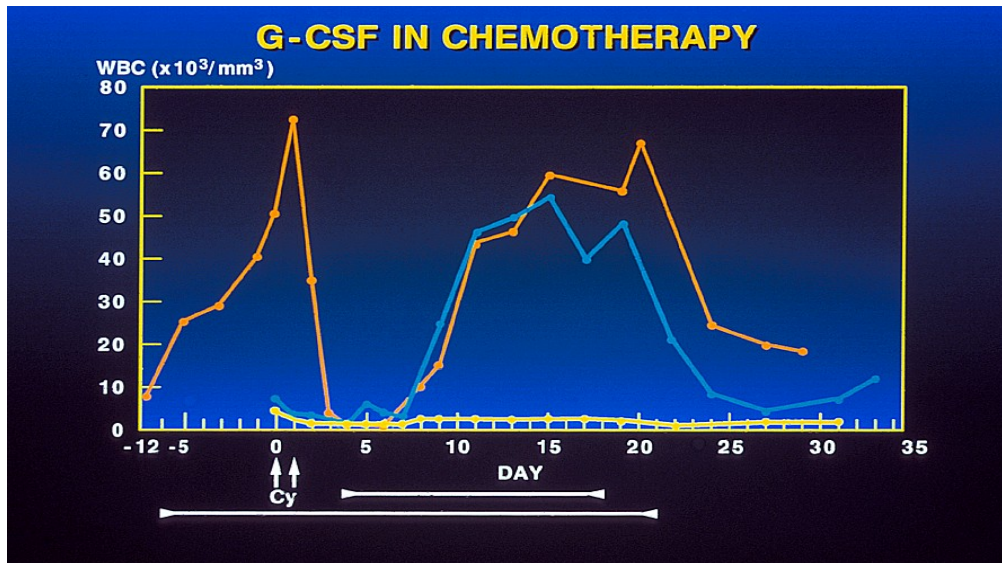


G-CSF in Primates



Welte, et al., J. Exp. Med. 165, 941, 1987

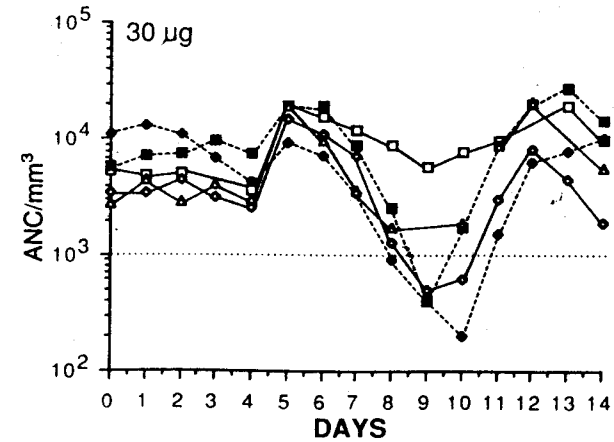
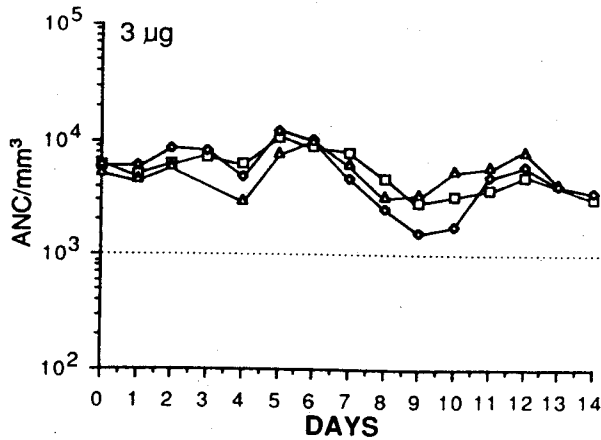
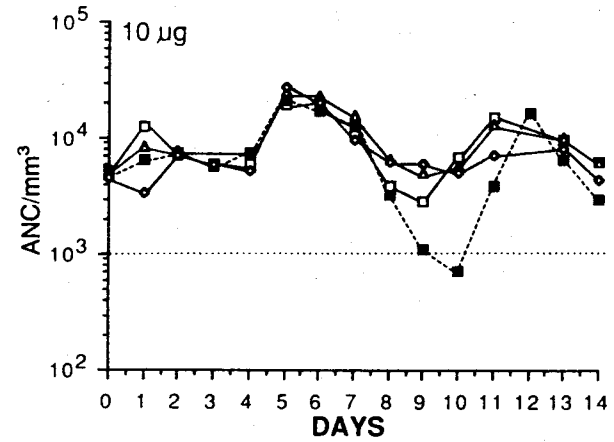
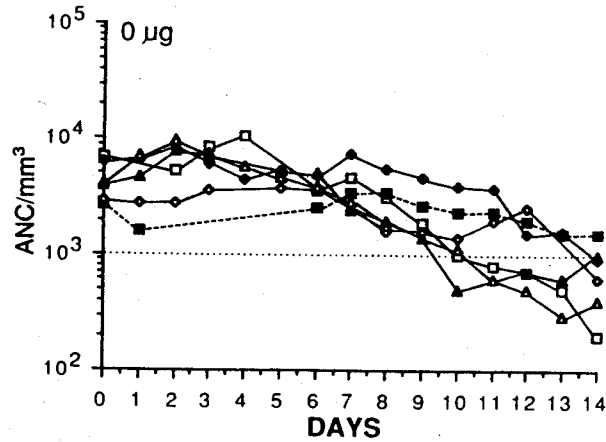
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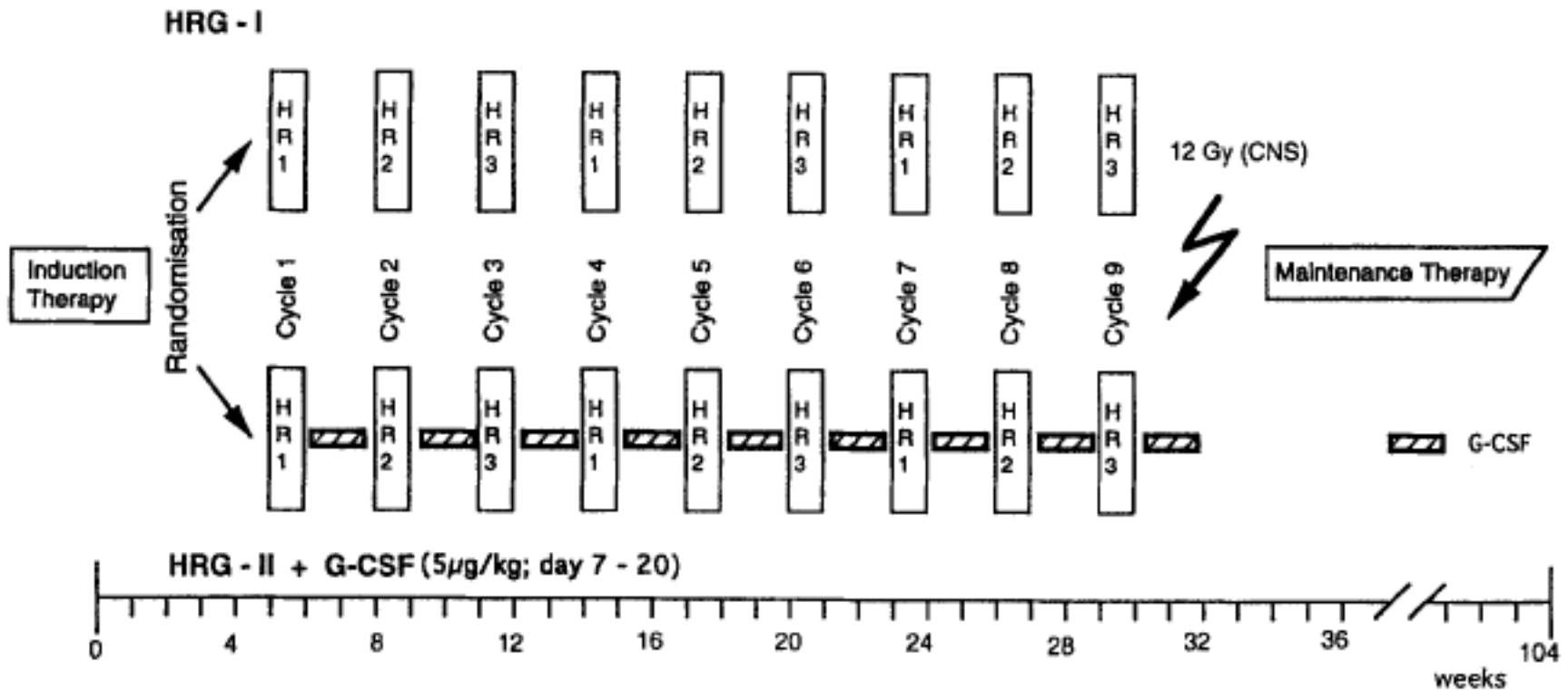
EFFECT OF GRANULOCYTE COLONY-STIMULATING FACTOR ON NEUTROPENIA AND ASSOCIATED MORBIDITY DUE TO CHEMOTHERAPY FOR TRANSITIONAL-CELL CARCINOMA OF THE UROTHELIUM

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G-CSF in Childhood ALL (BFM2000):

Does administration of more chemotherapy in time lead to increased survival ?



Welte, K., et al. Blood 1996

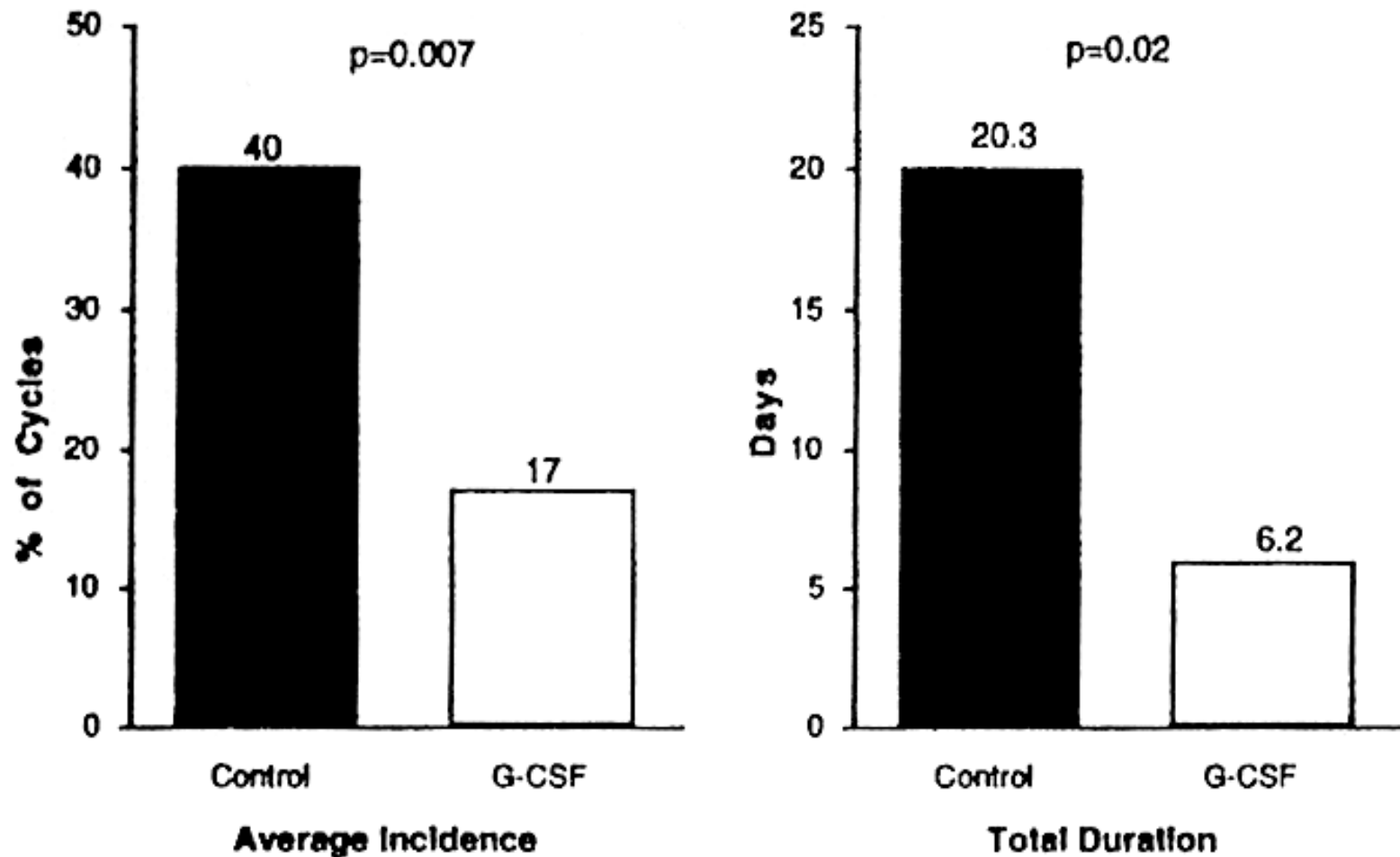
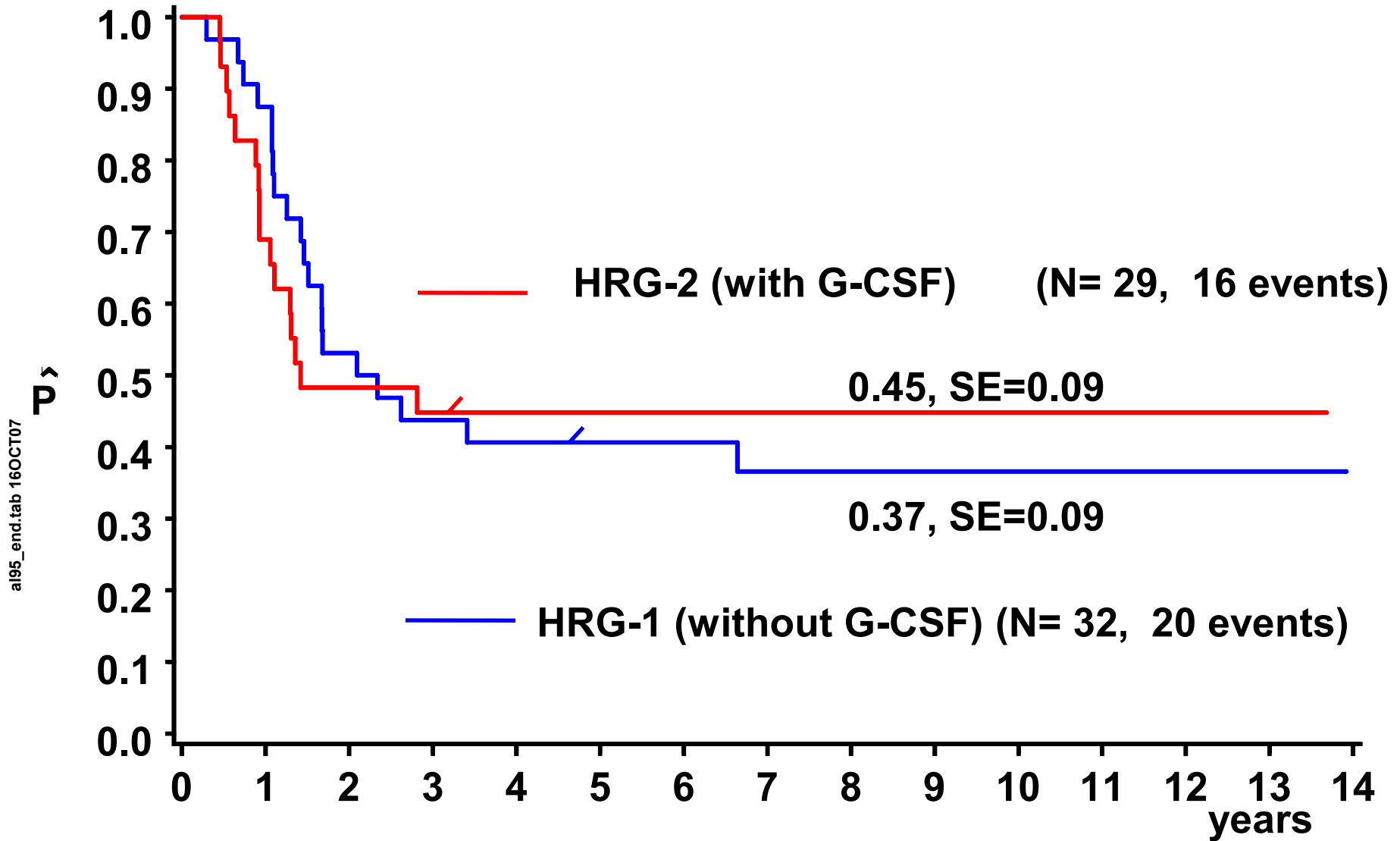
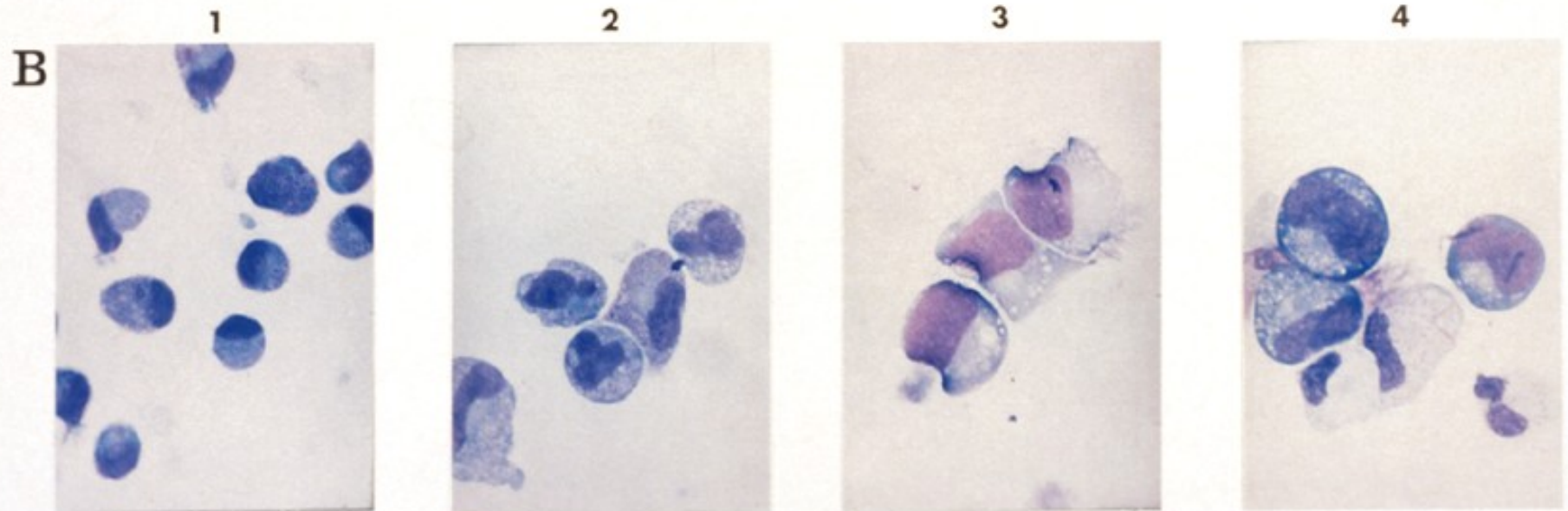
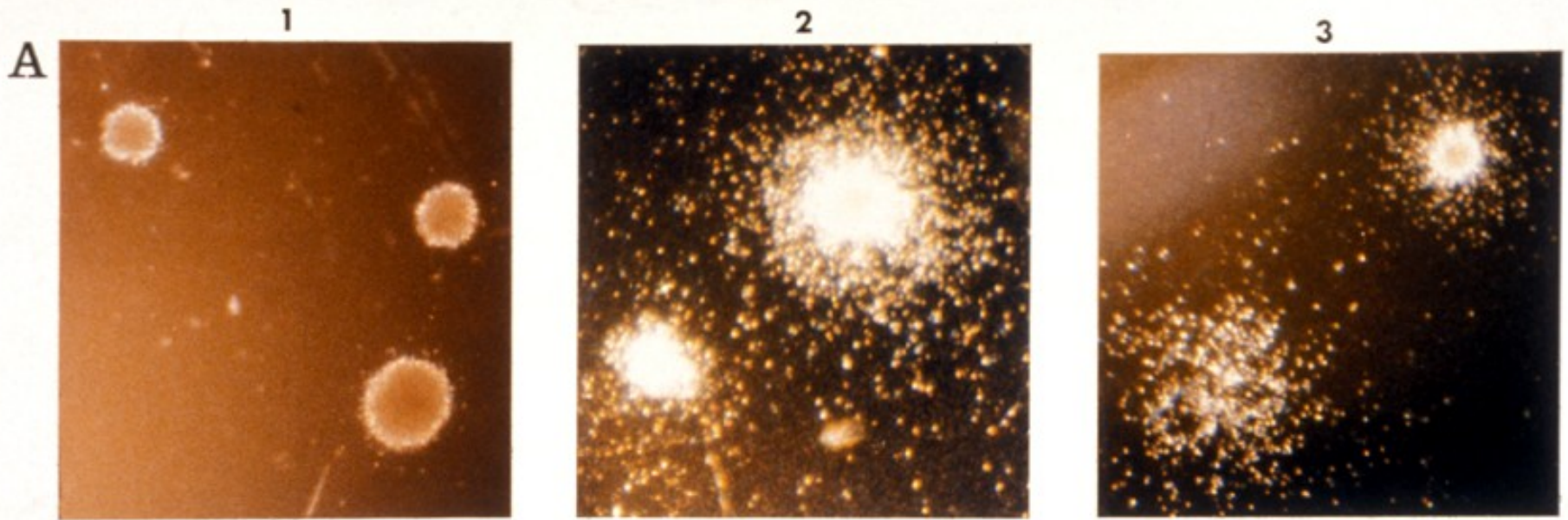


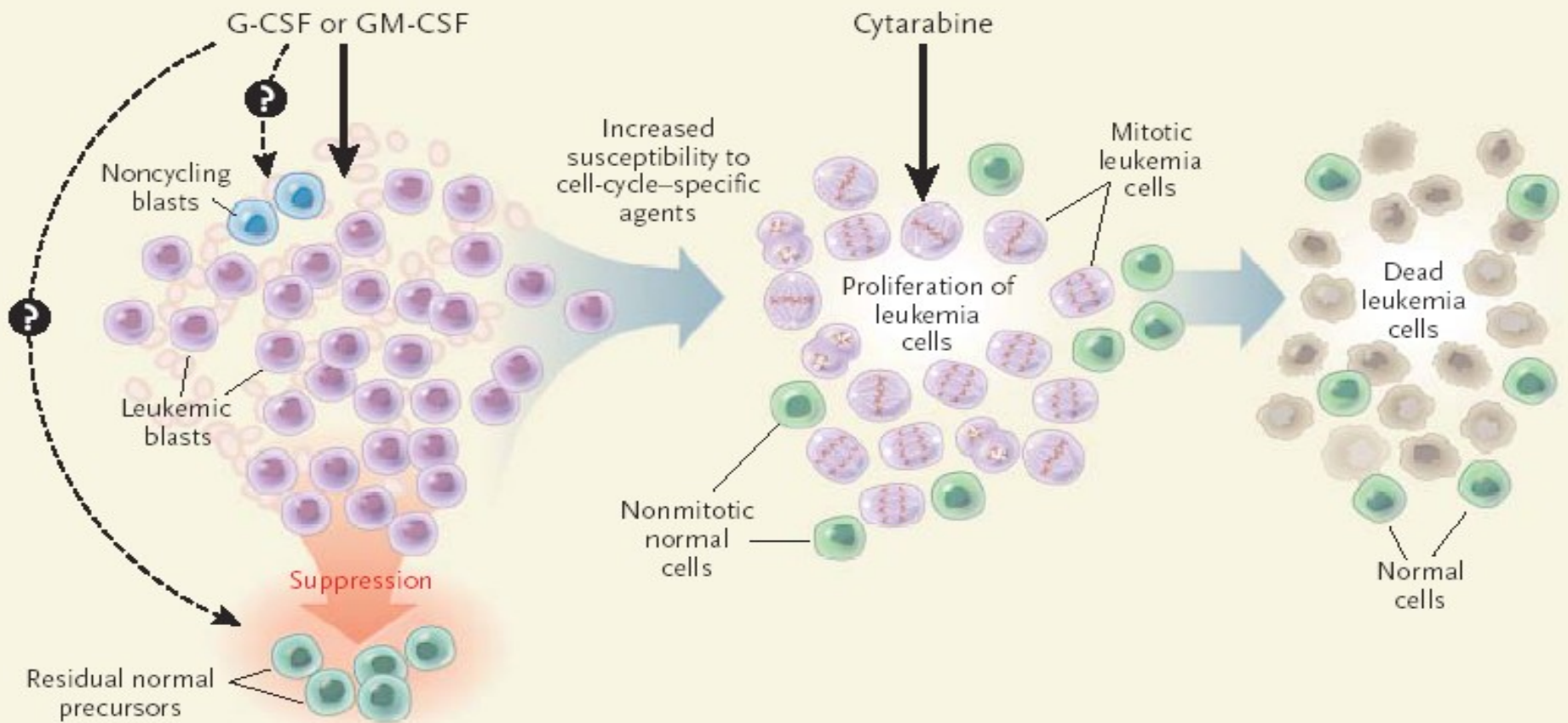
Fig 2. Incidence and duration of febrile neutropenic episodes (ANC $<0.5 \times 10^9/L$ and oral temperature $\geq 38.5^\circ C$) during the study period in the control group and r-metHuG-CSF group.

ALL-BFM 90 Survival (10 years)



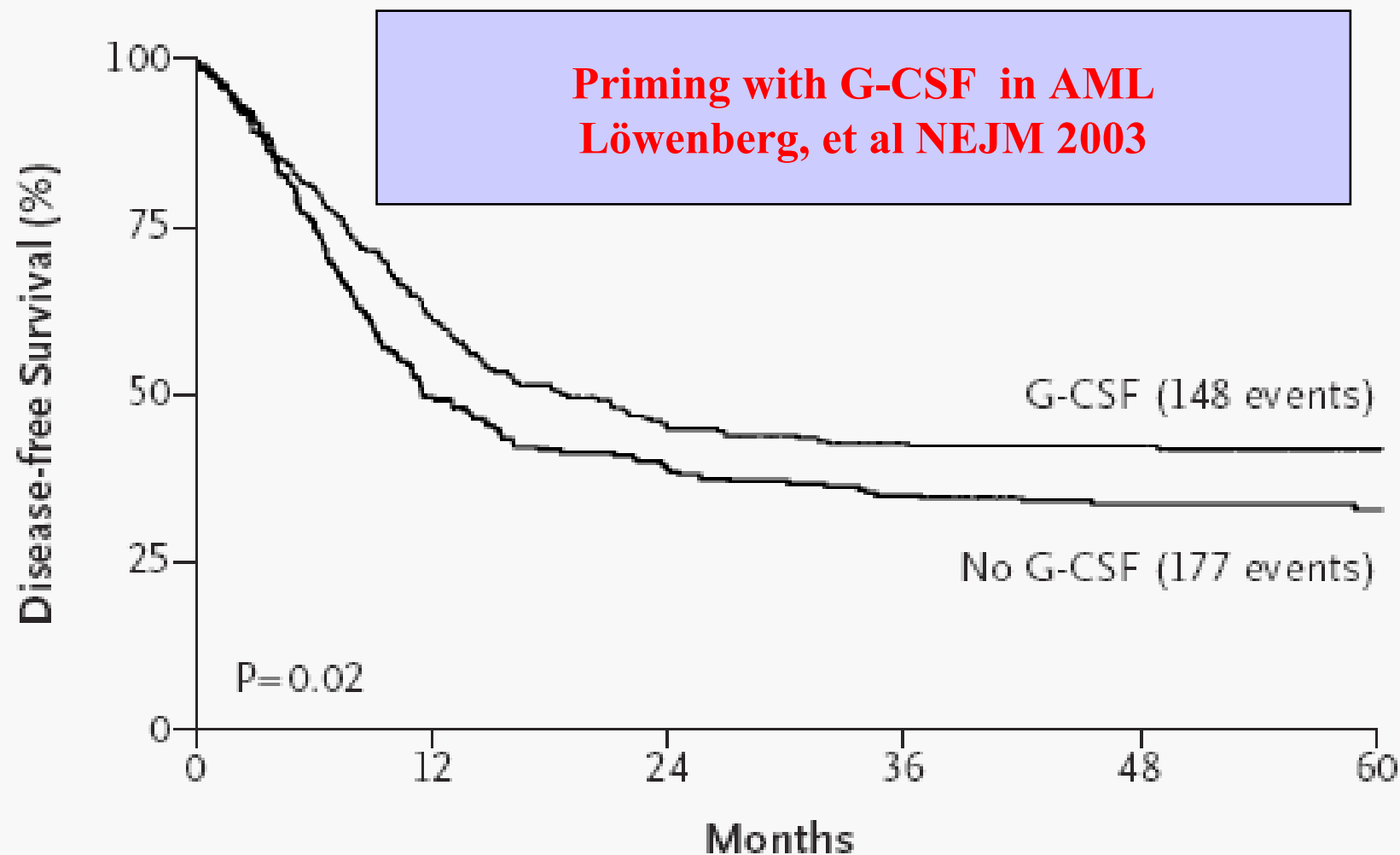


Souza and Welte, Science 1986



Principle Underlying the Concurrent Use of Chemotherapy and Growth Factors That Stimulate Cell Division.

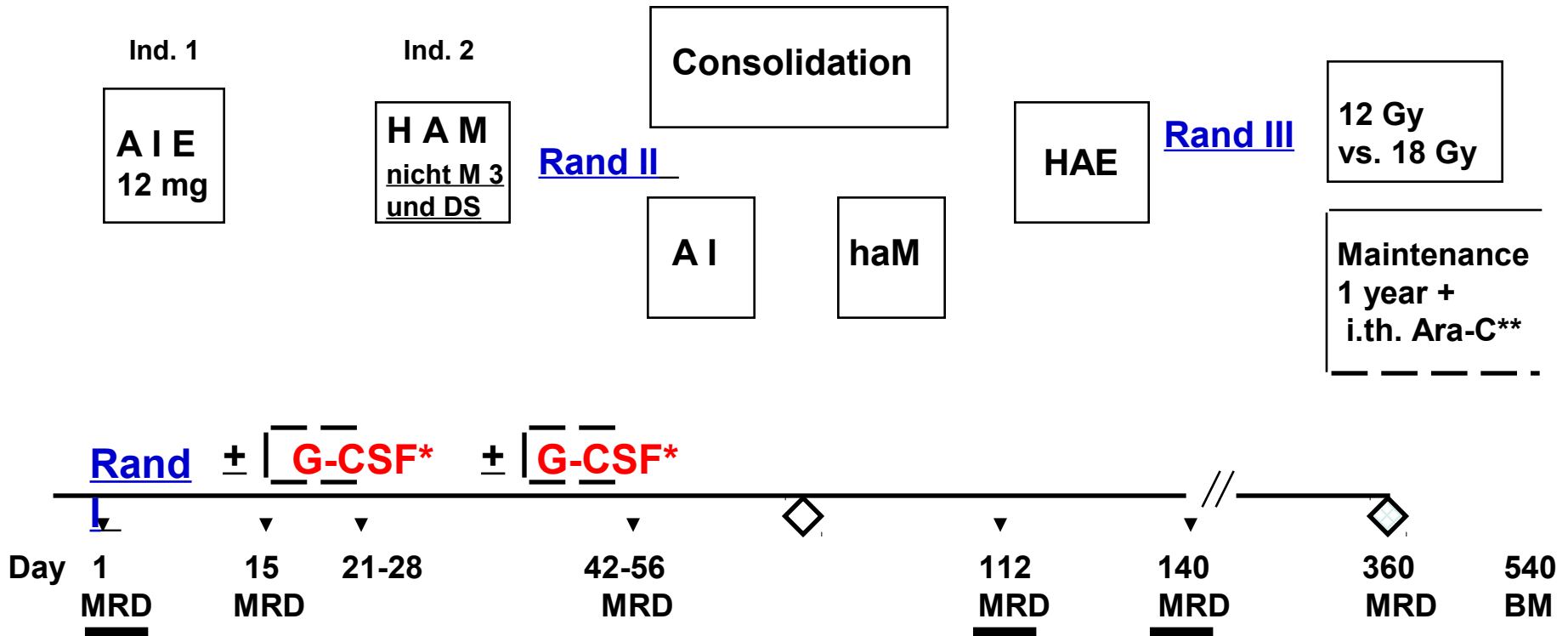
The concurrent use of growth factors such as granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF) and granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor (GM-CSF) could enhance the cytotoxic effect of agents such as cytarabine on leukemia cells. Little is known about the effects of these growth factors on the subpopulation of putative leukemia stem cells, which may have a relatively low rate of proliferation, or the residual normal hematopoietic precursors.

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No. at Risk	0	12	24	36	48	60
G-CSF	255	155	113	102	76	41
No G-CSF	265	129	100	87	52	33

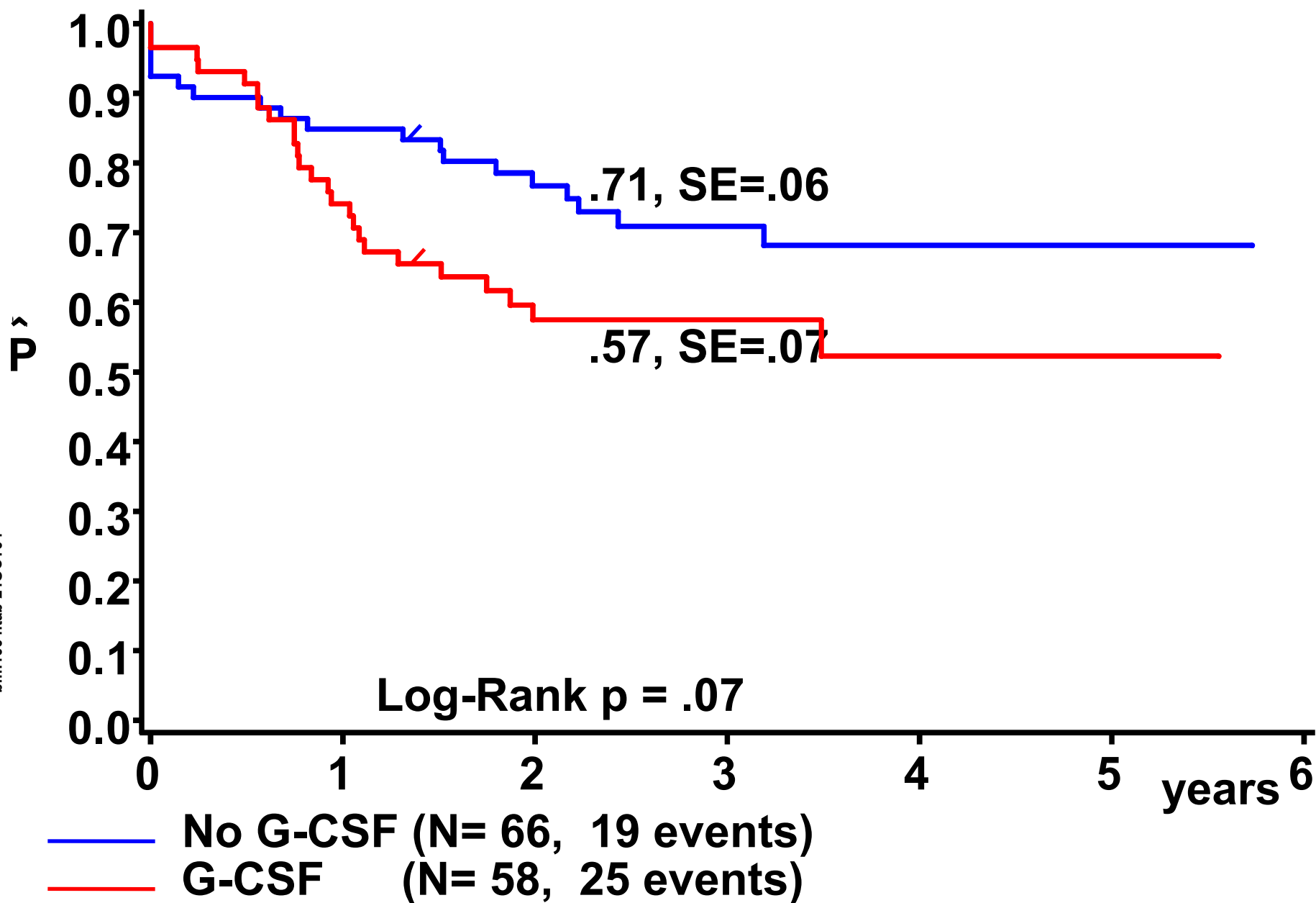
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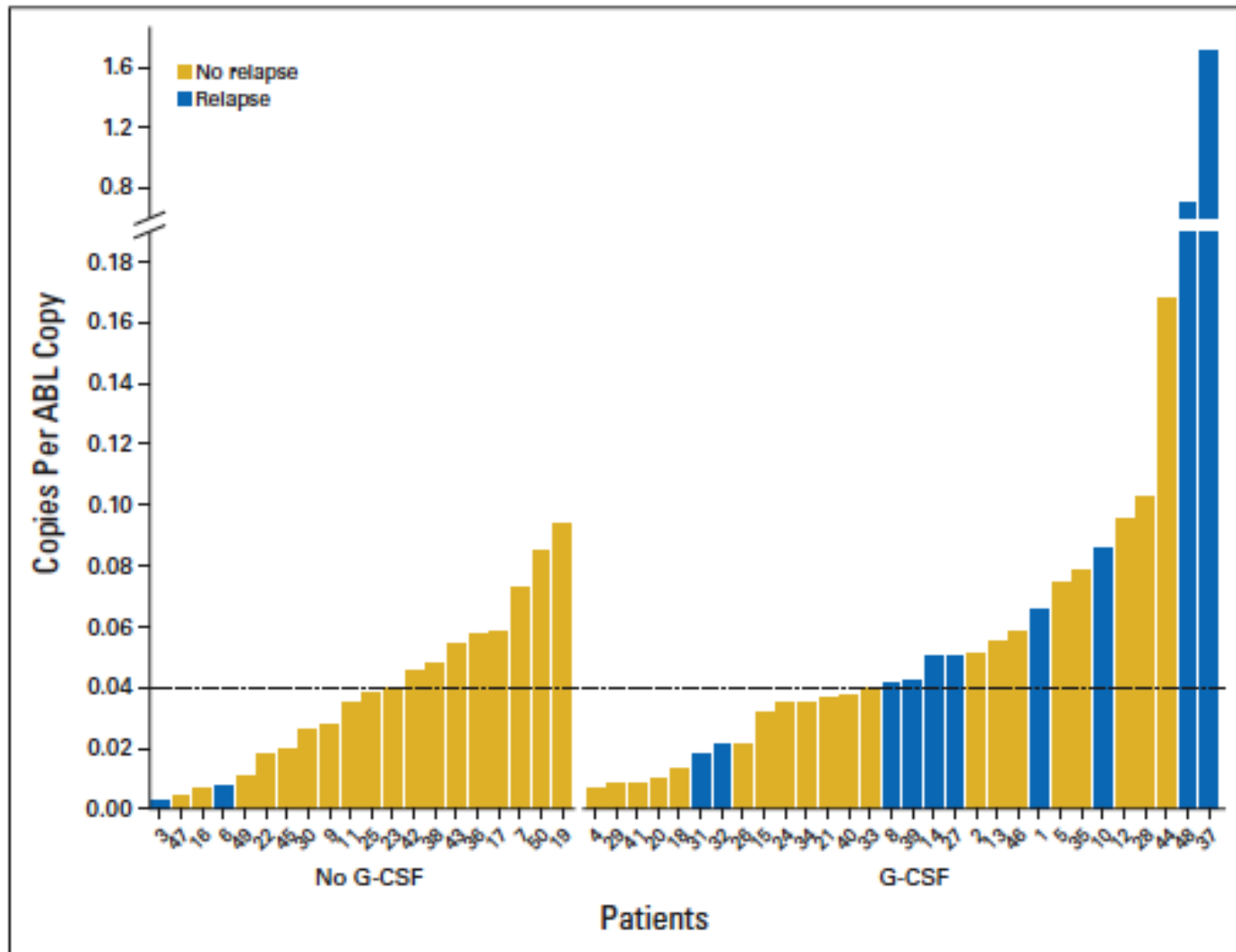
AML-BFM 98



* G-CSF 5-8 days or until ANC >500/mm³ except patients with > 5% Blasts on day 15

AML-BFM 98 Standard risk patients (without Down-S.): EFS (3 years)

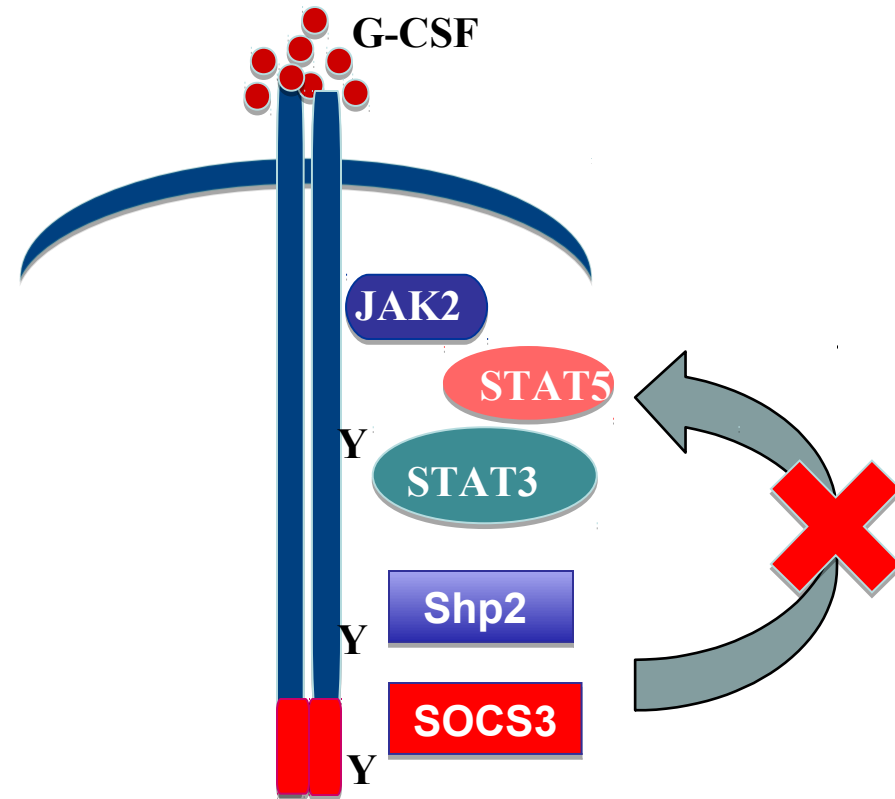
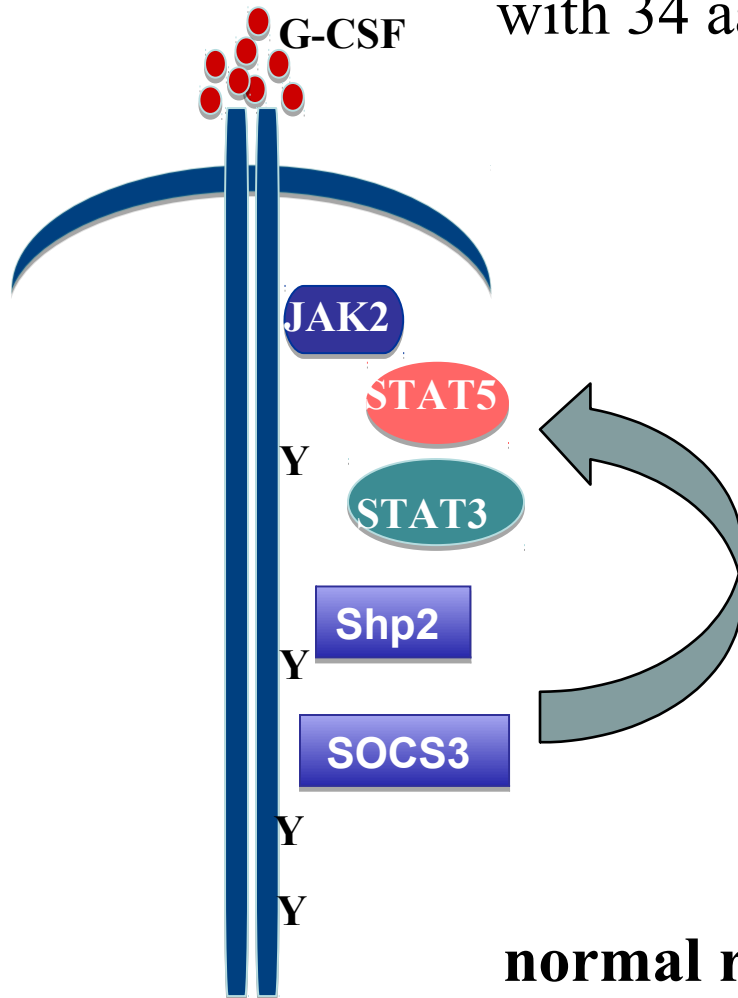




G-CSFR isoform I

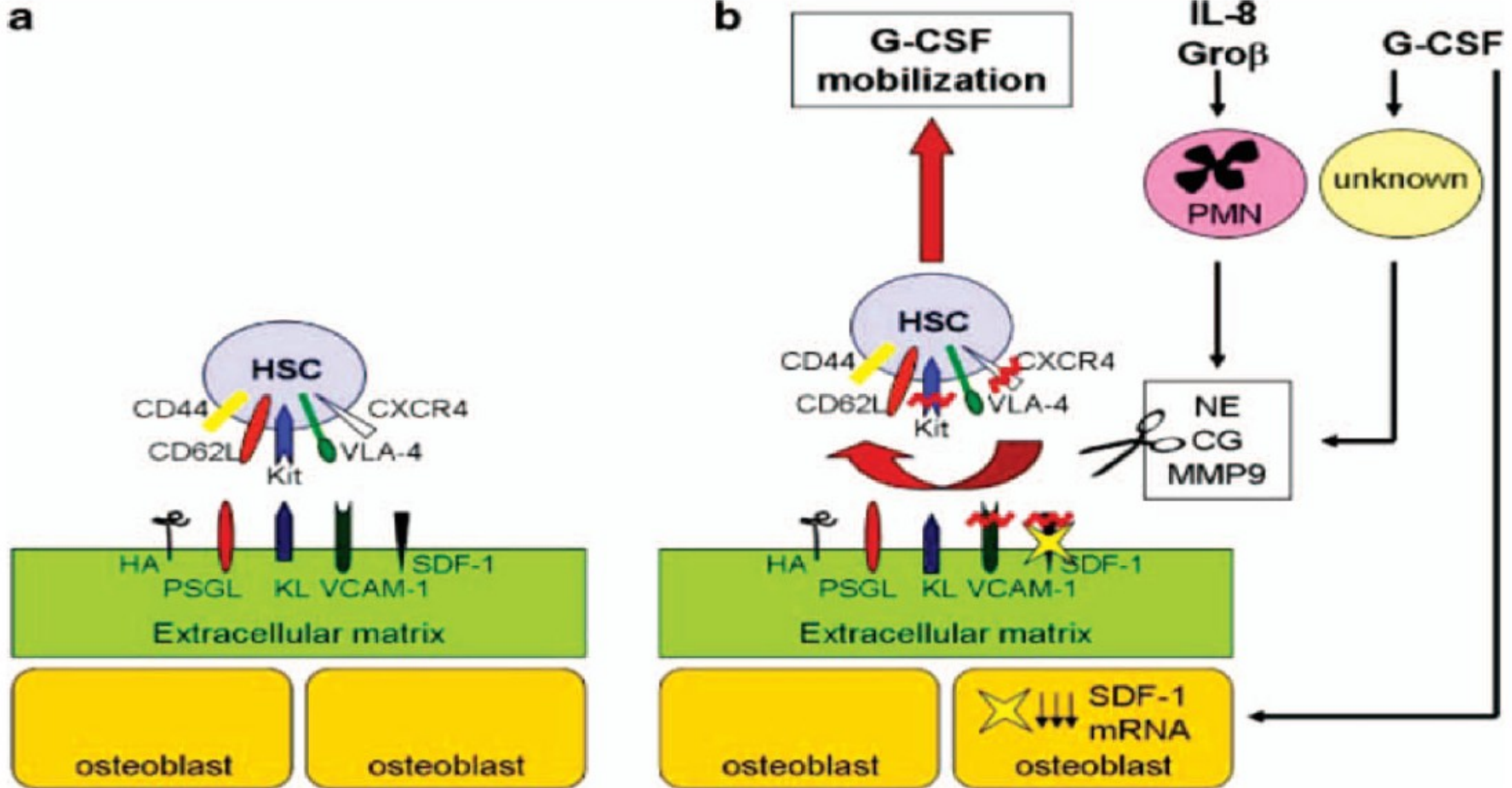
G-CSFR isoform IV

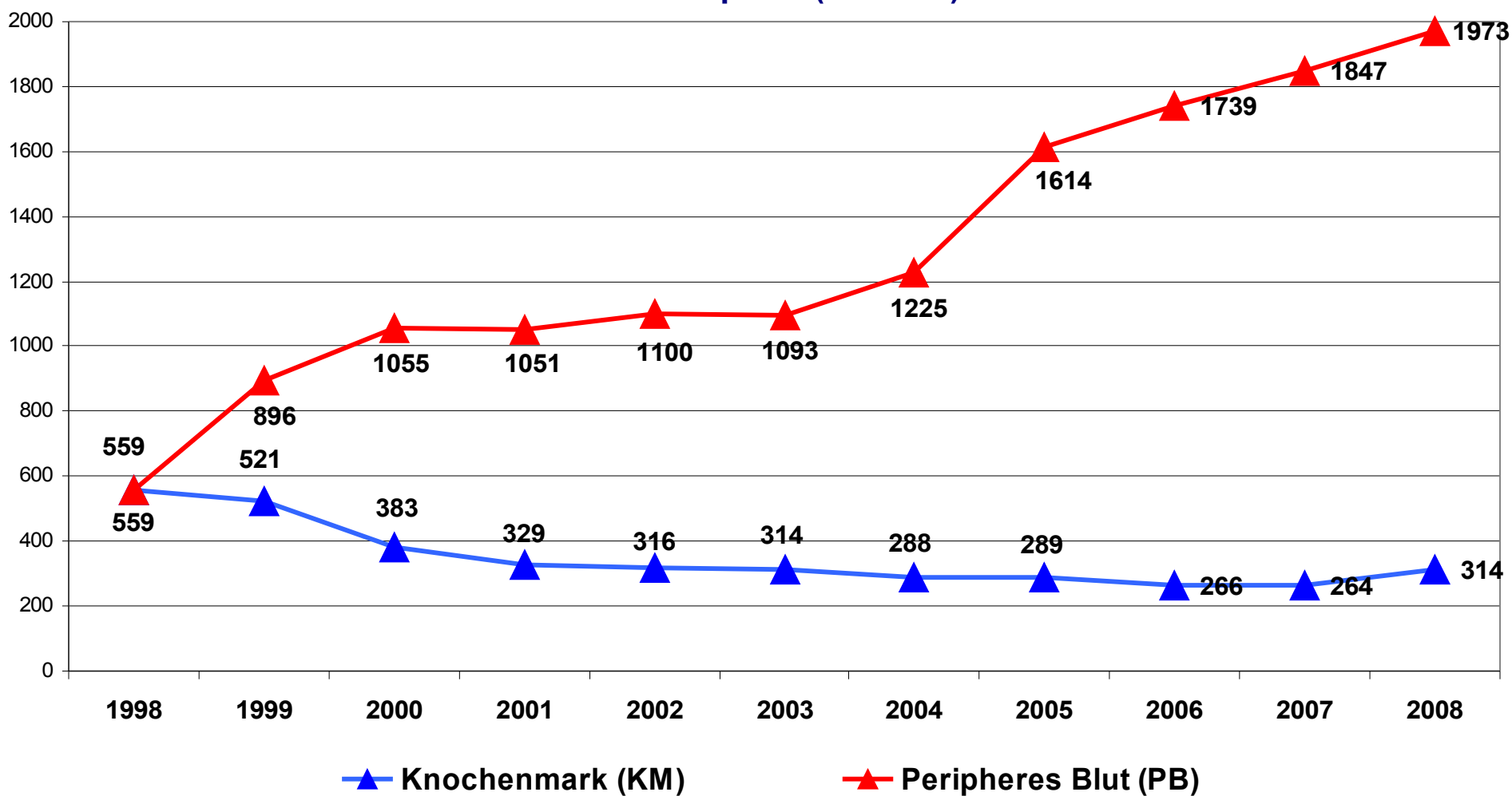
The isoform IV replaces the carboxy-terminal 87 aa with 34 aa of **novel sequence**



normal ratio 200 : 1

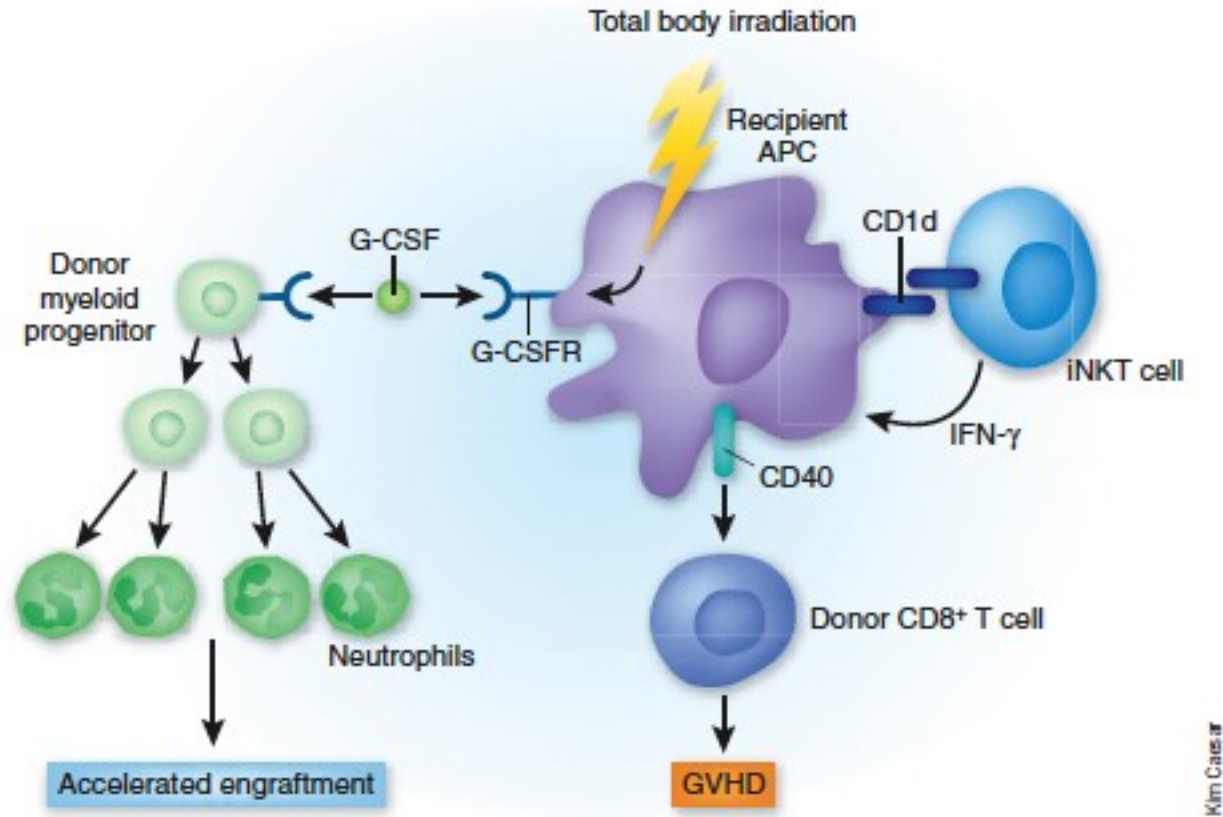
Mobilization of hematopoietic stem cells by G-CSF





Paradigm shift of SCT by G-CSF mobilization
(Germany 1998 – 2008)

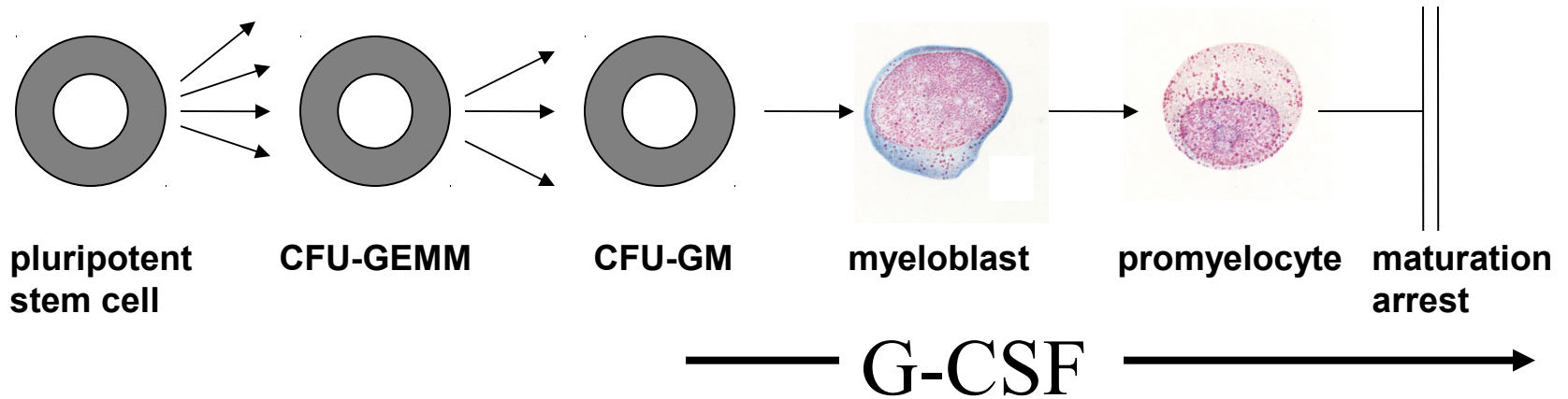
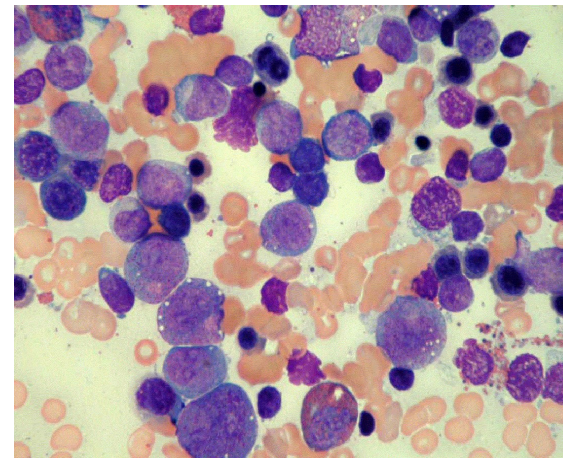
Choosing between GVHD and delayed engraftment



Transplantation's balancing act !

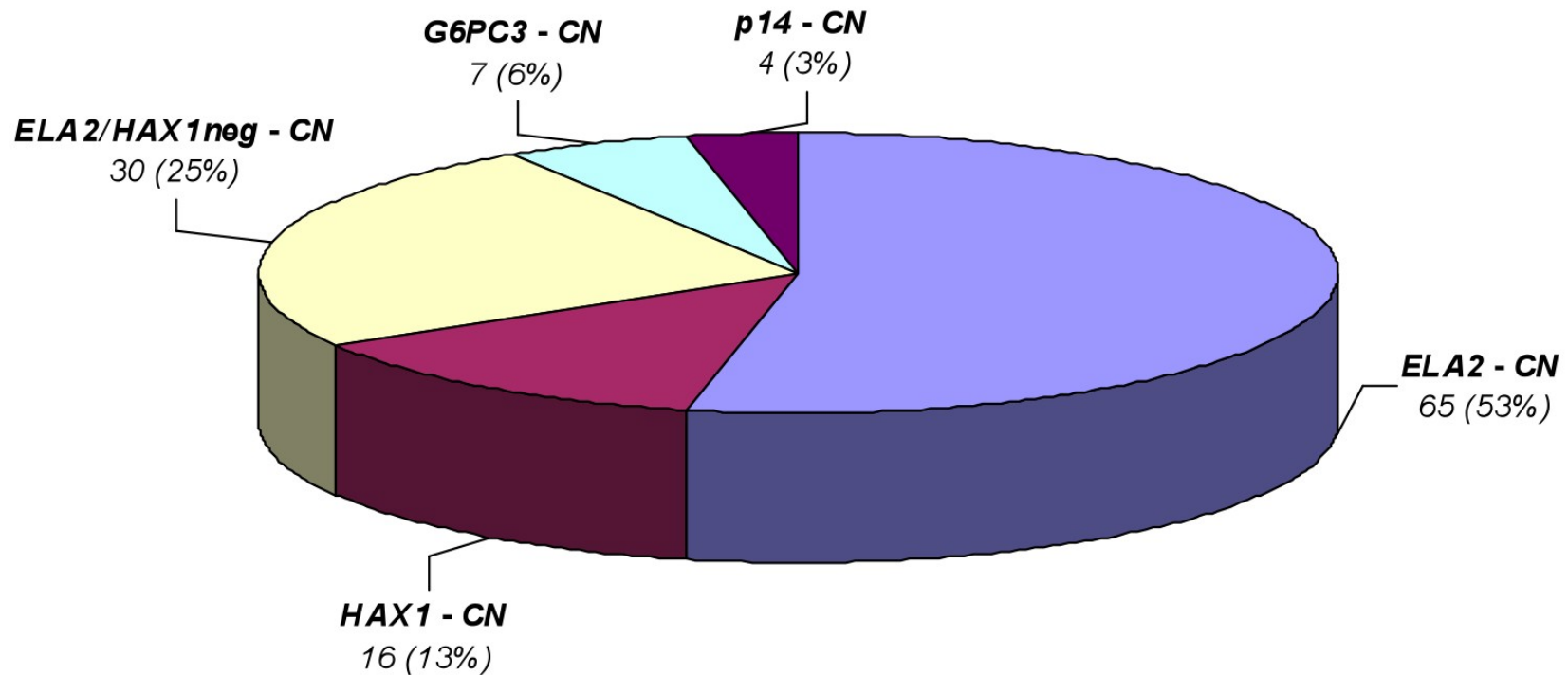
Martin, PJ, Nature Medicine 2009

Morris, ES, Nature Medicine 2009



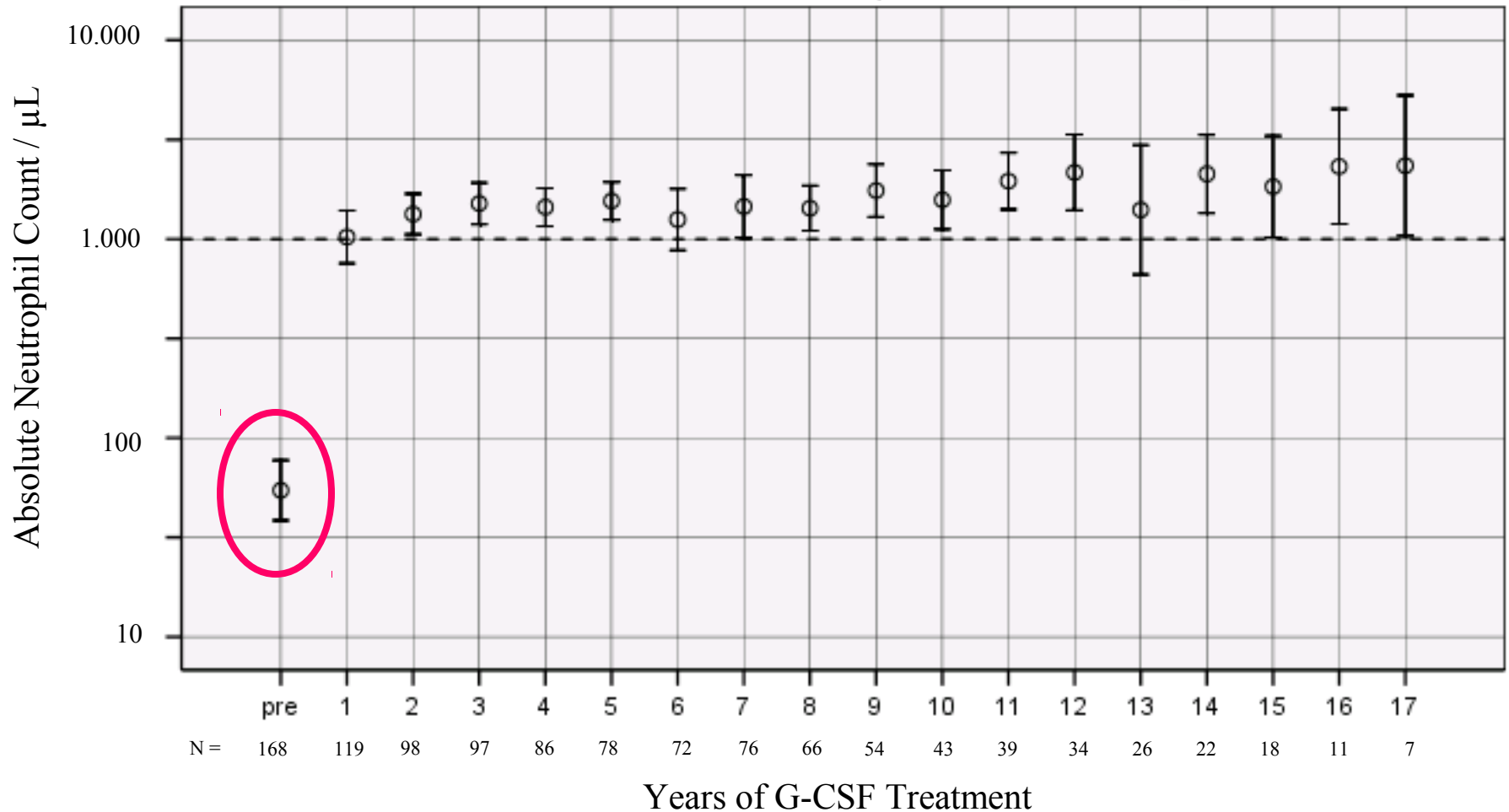
Severe congenital neutropenia

Genetic distribution in 122 patients with CN

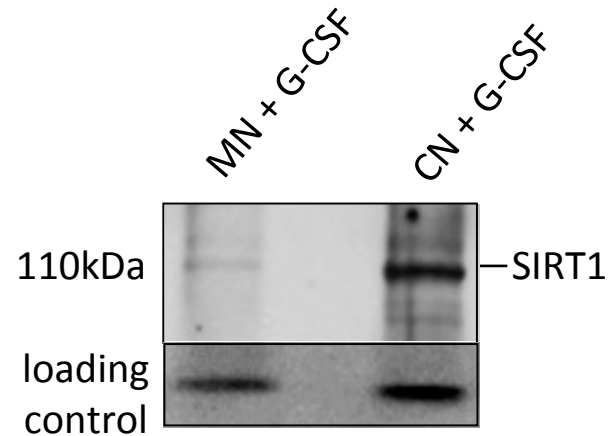
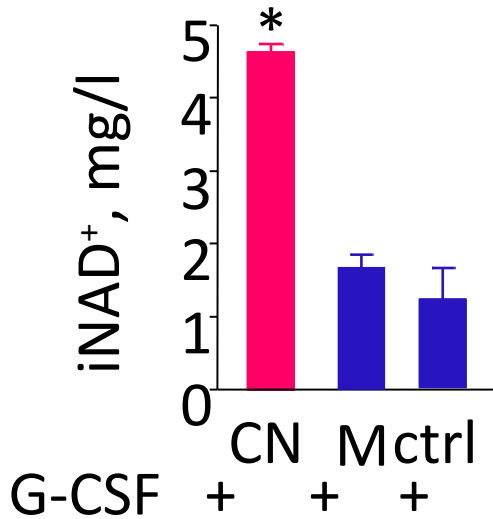
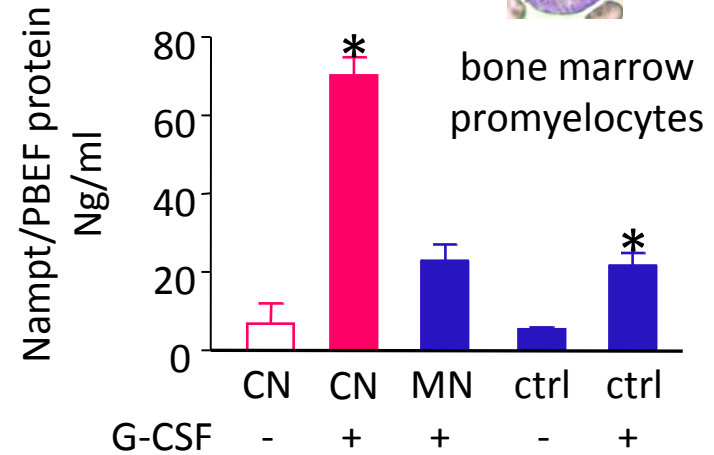
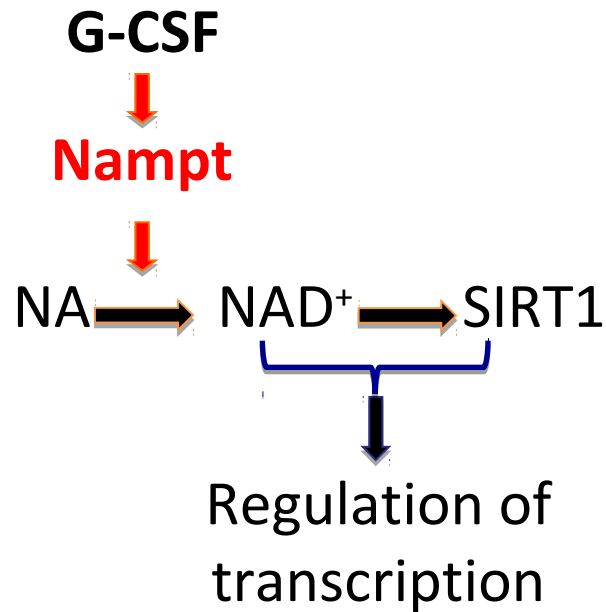


Severe Chronic Neutropenia Registry, Europe

Long Term Course of Median Absolute Neutrophil Count in Patients with Severe Congenital Neutropenia



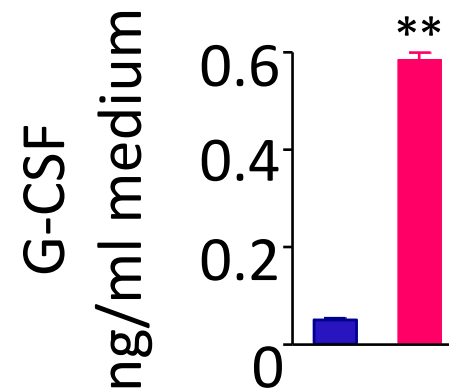
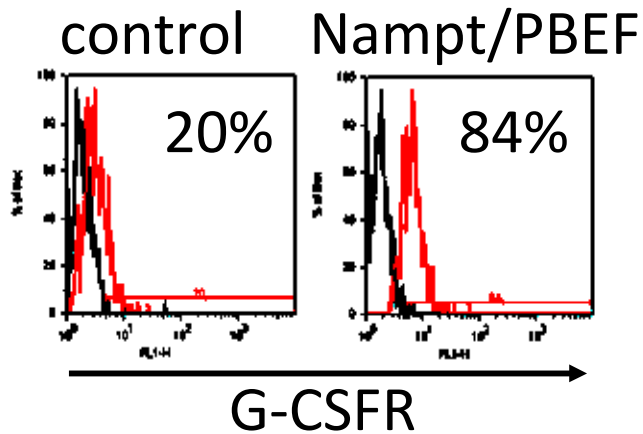
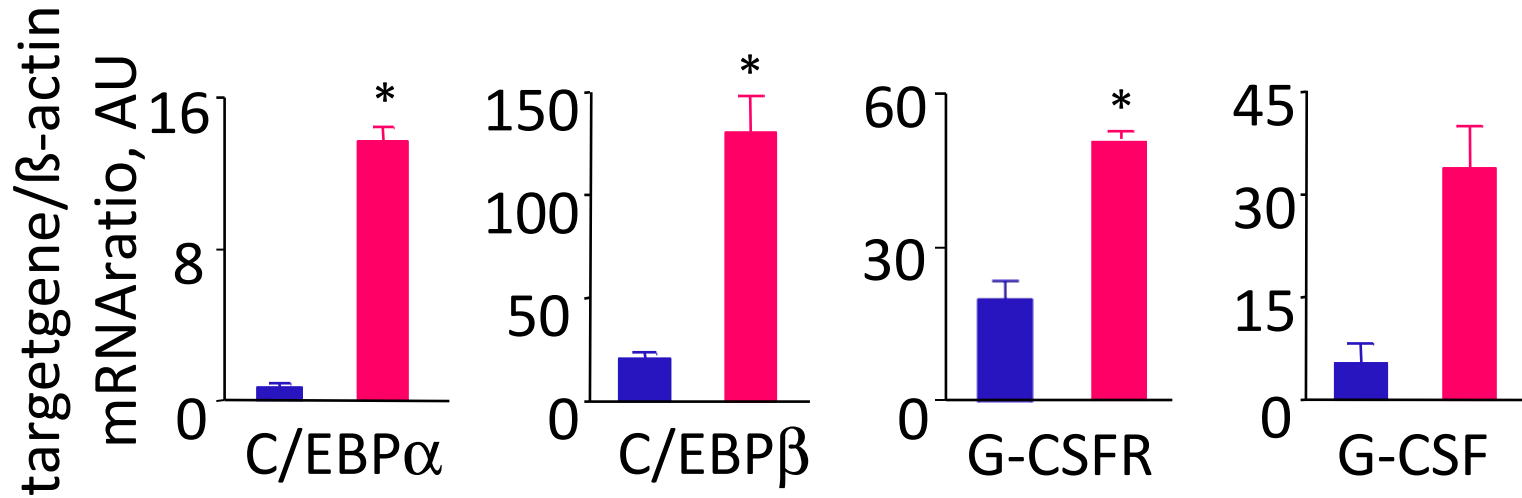
G-CSF induces Nampt and NAD⁺ in myeloid progenitors from CN patients



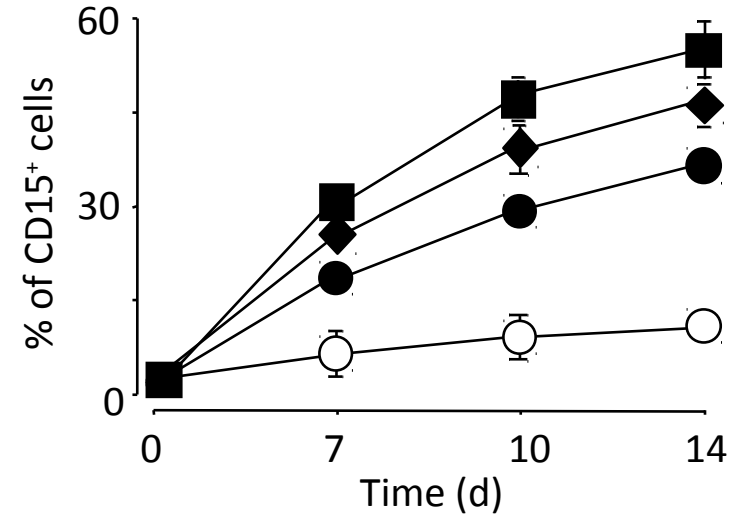
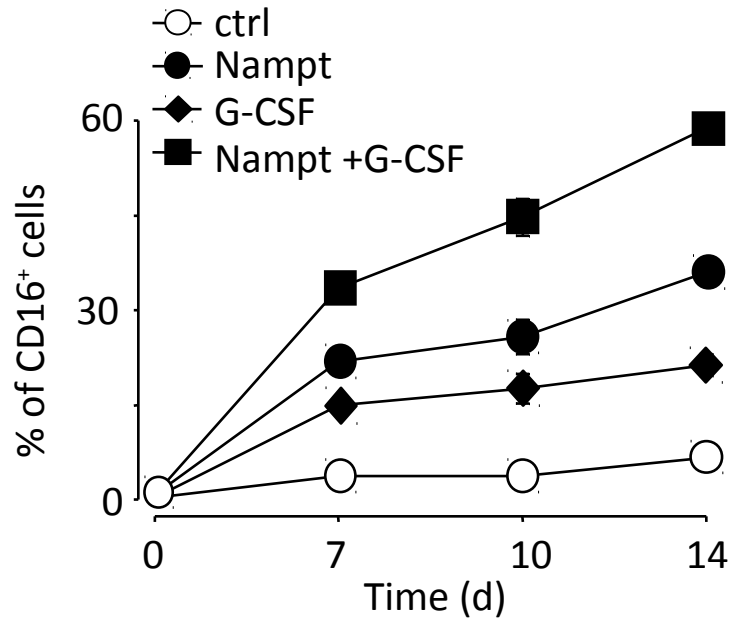
Skokowa, J., et al., Nat Med 2009; 15: 151- 8

Nampt induces G-CSF and G-CSFR in CD34 cells via Sirt1/C/EBPs

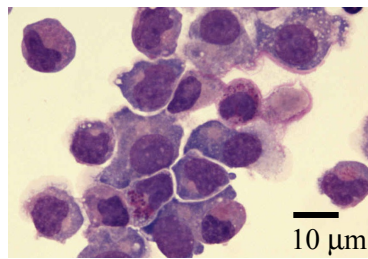
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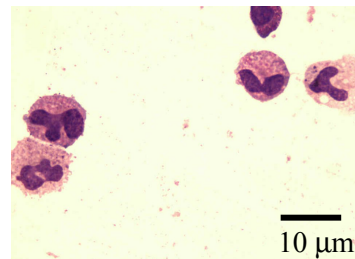
Nampt triggers myeloid differentiation of CD34⁺ cells



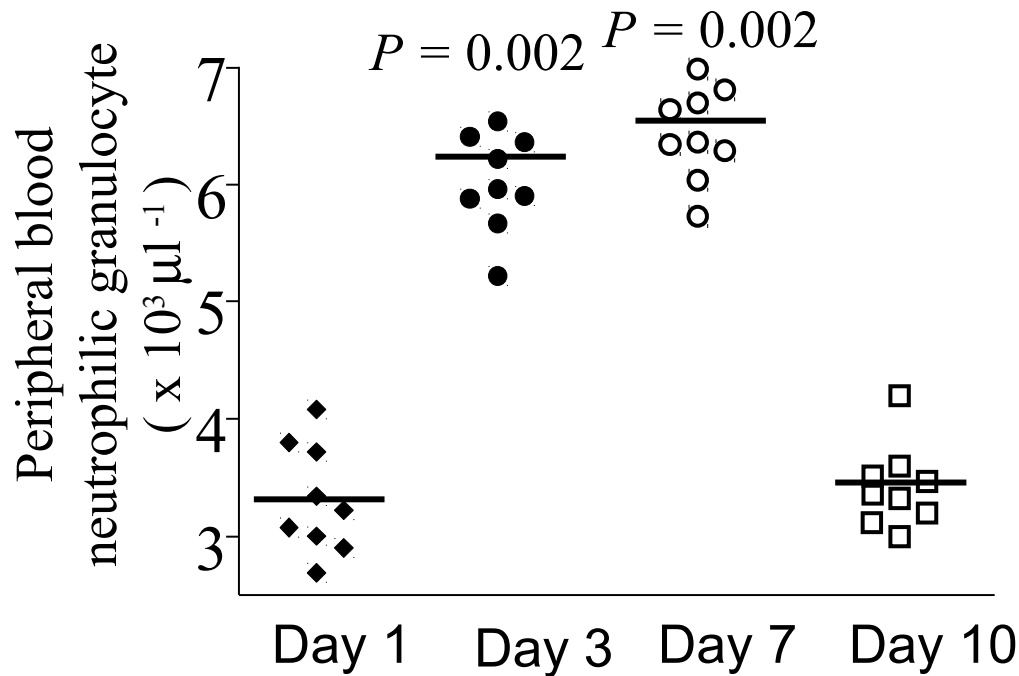
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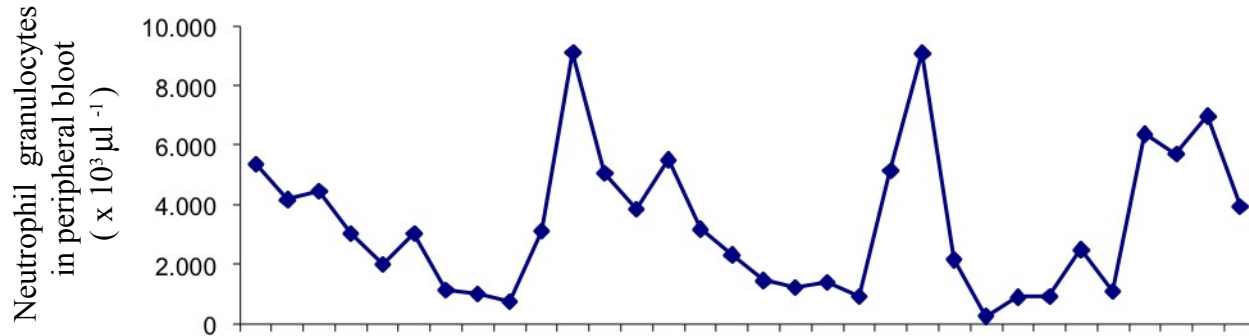
Vitamin B3 treatment increases number of neutrophilic granulocytes in healthy individuals



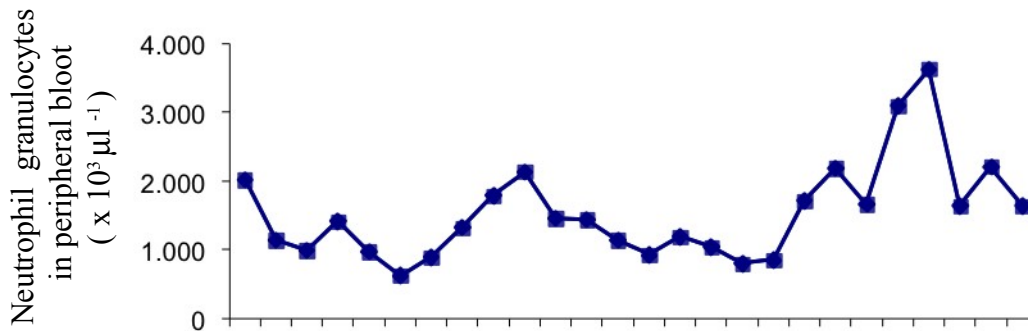
Vitamin B3 (200 mg/kg/d) treatment (day 1-7)

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Vitamin B3 treatment of patient with cyclic neutropenia



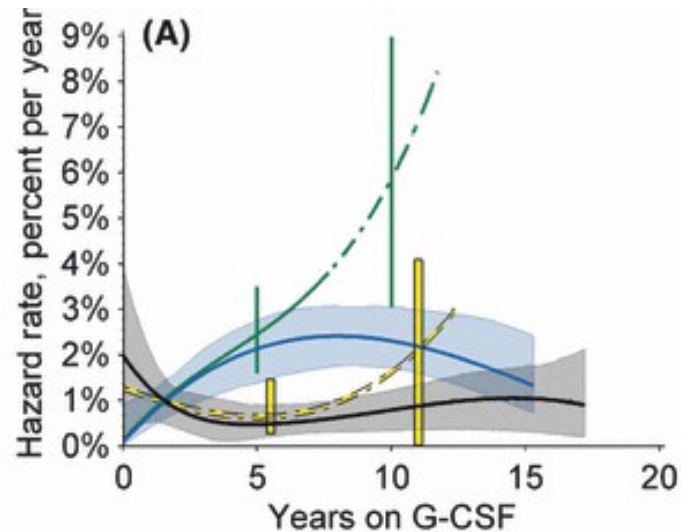
Treatment with G-CSF (3 ug/kg/d s.c.)



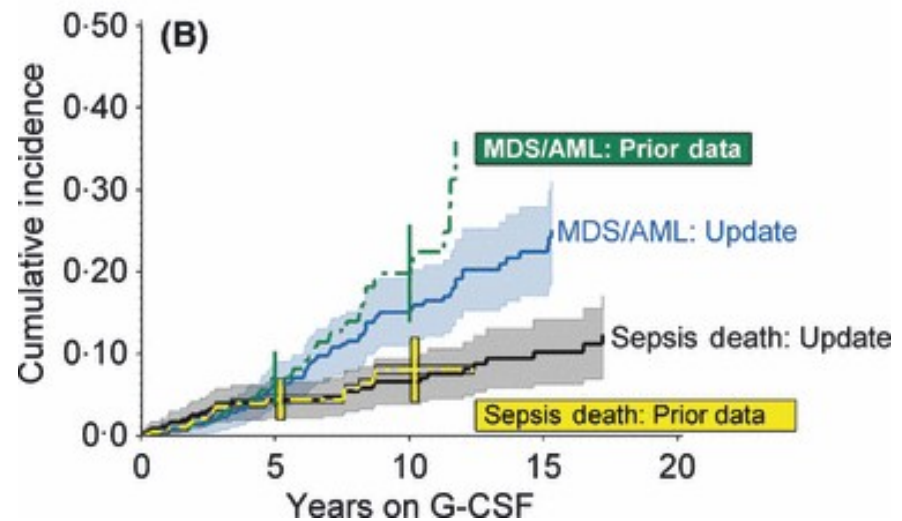
Treatment with Vitamin B3 (200 mg/kg/d p.o.)
without G-CSF

Hazard rates and cumulative incidence of MDS/AML and sepsis death in patients with SCN.

Cumulative incidence of MDS/AML (blue curve) and sepsis death (black curve) among patients who achieved an adequate mean absolute neutrophil count (ANC) by months 6–18 (≥ 2.188 cells $\times 10^9/l$) at doses of G-CSF less than or equal to 8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ per d).



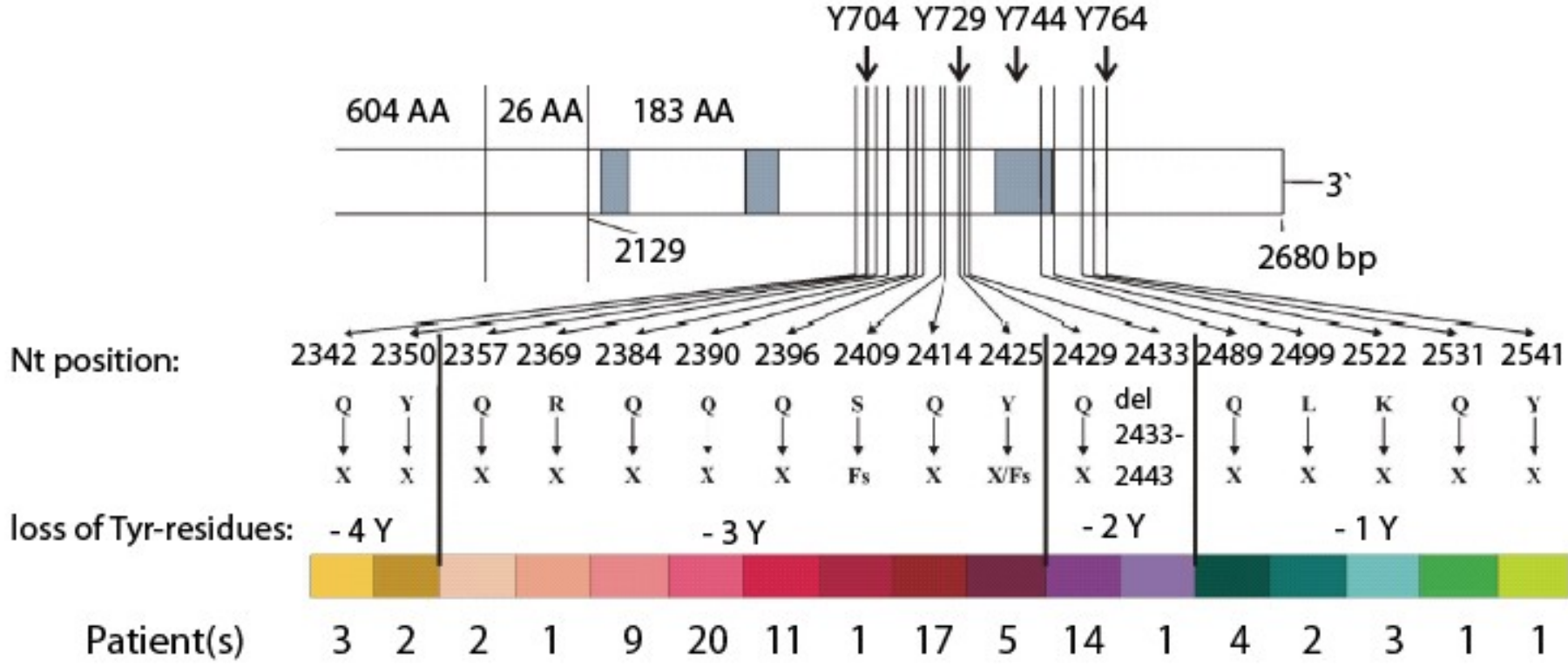
Corresponding cumulative incidence curves among patients who failed to achieve an adequate ANC despite higher doses of G-CSF.

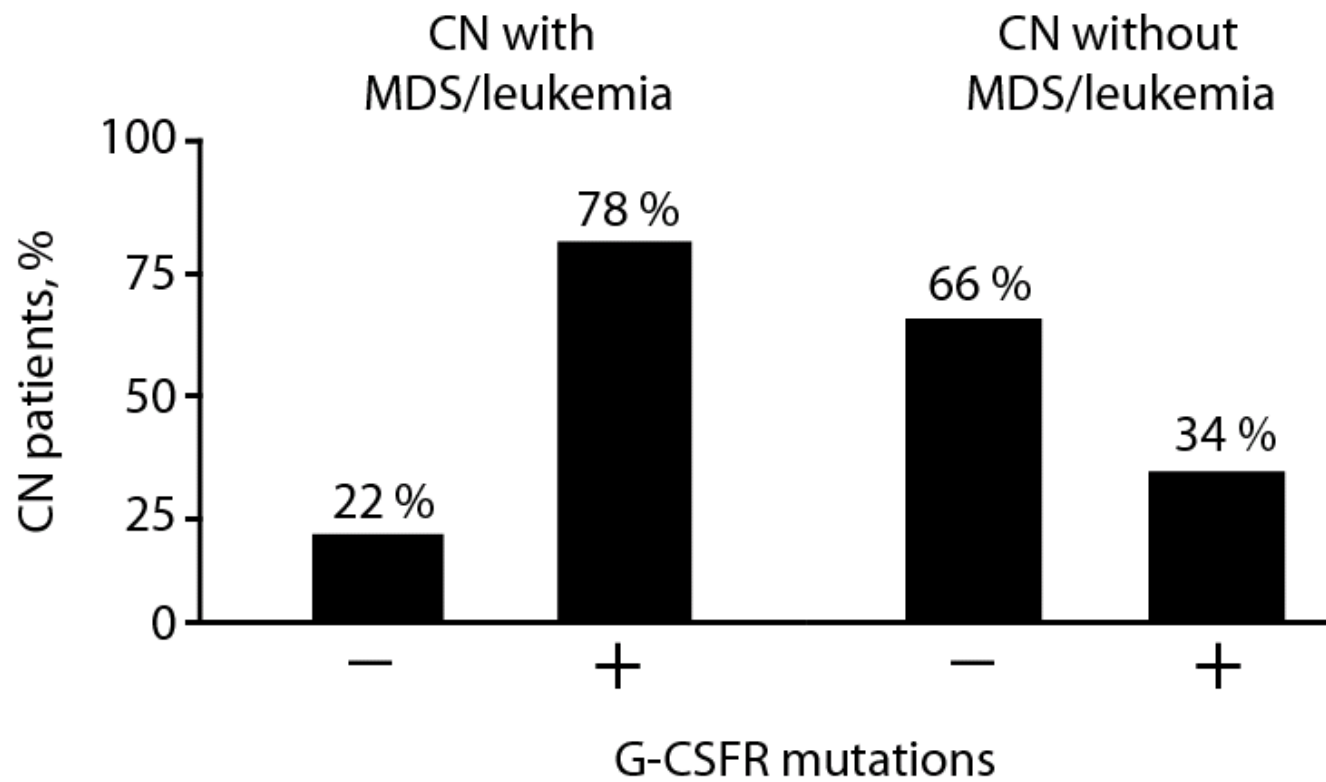


Rosenberg, Zeidler, et al., BJH 2010

Zeidler EHA 2010

G-CSFR mutations in CN patients

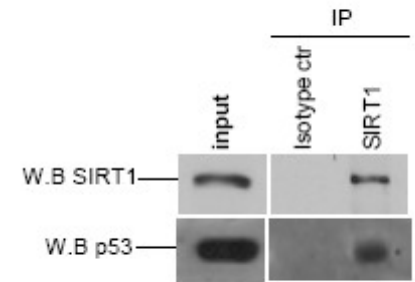
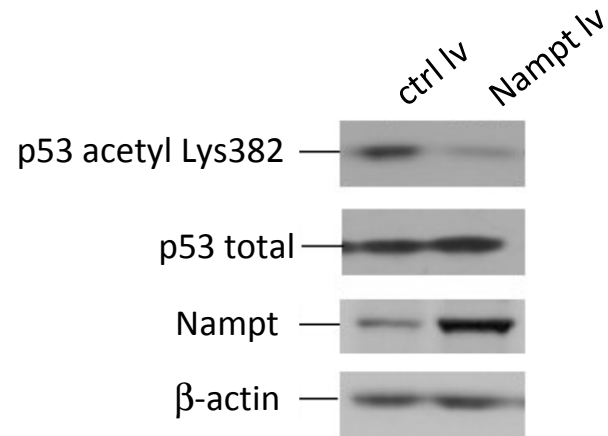
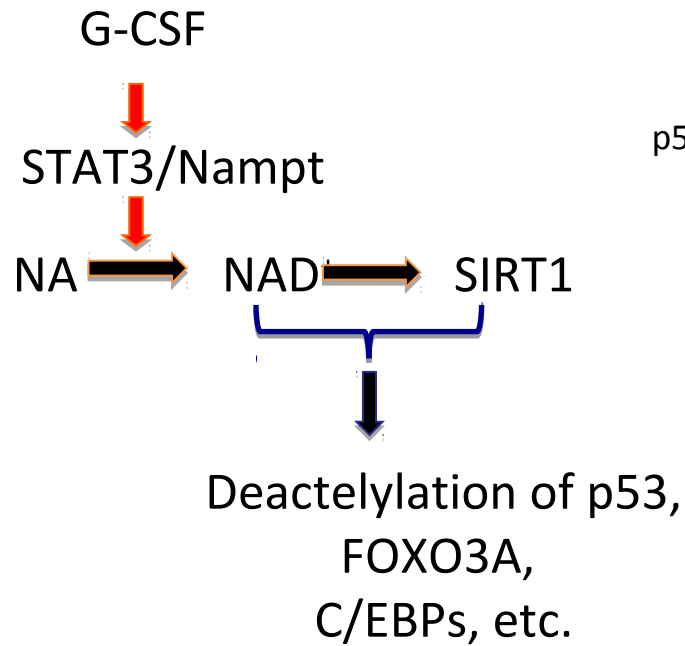




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Leukemogenesis

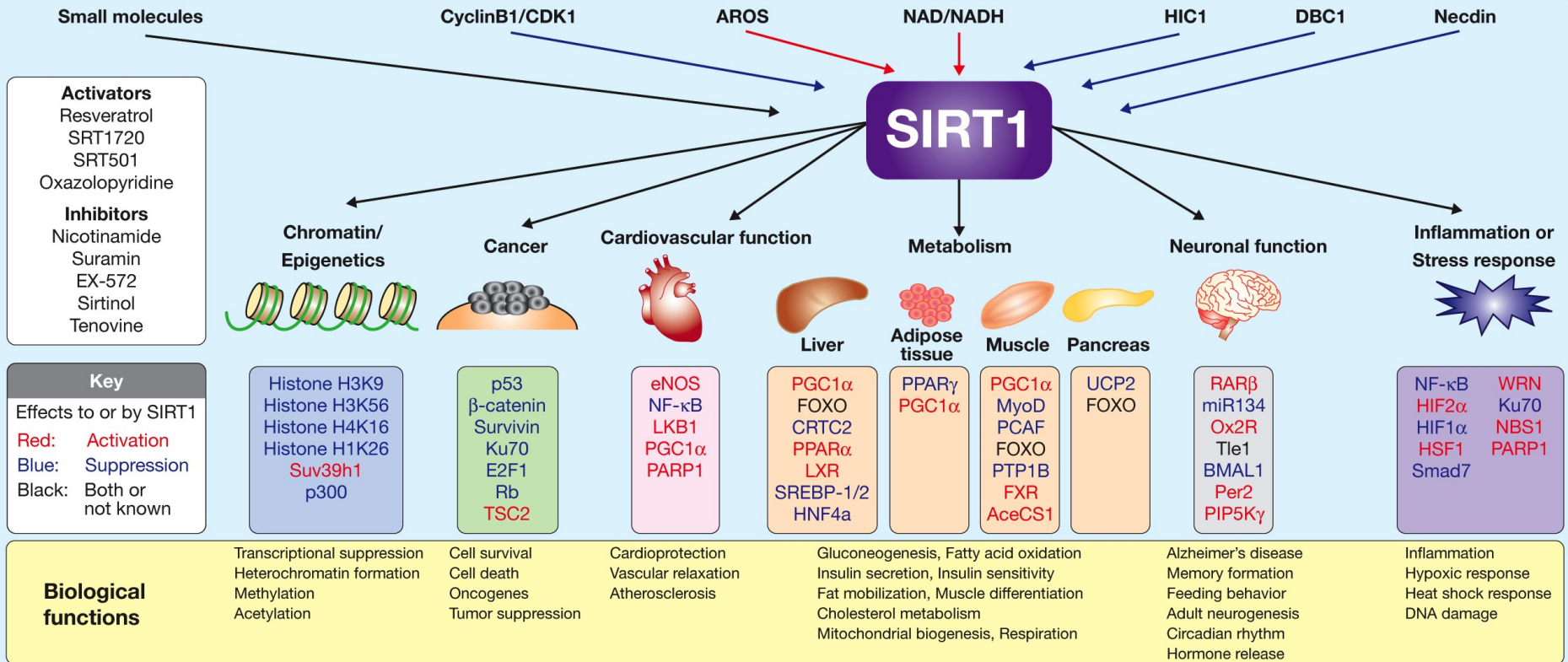
Nampt deacetylates p53



Sirtuins at a Glance

Takashi Nakagawa and Leonard Guarente

Substrates and biological functions of SIRT1



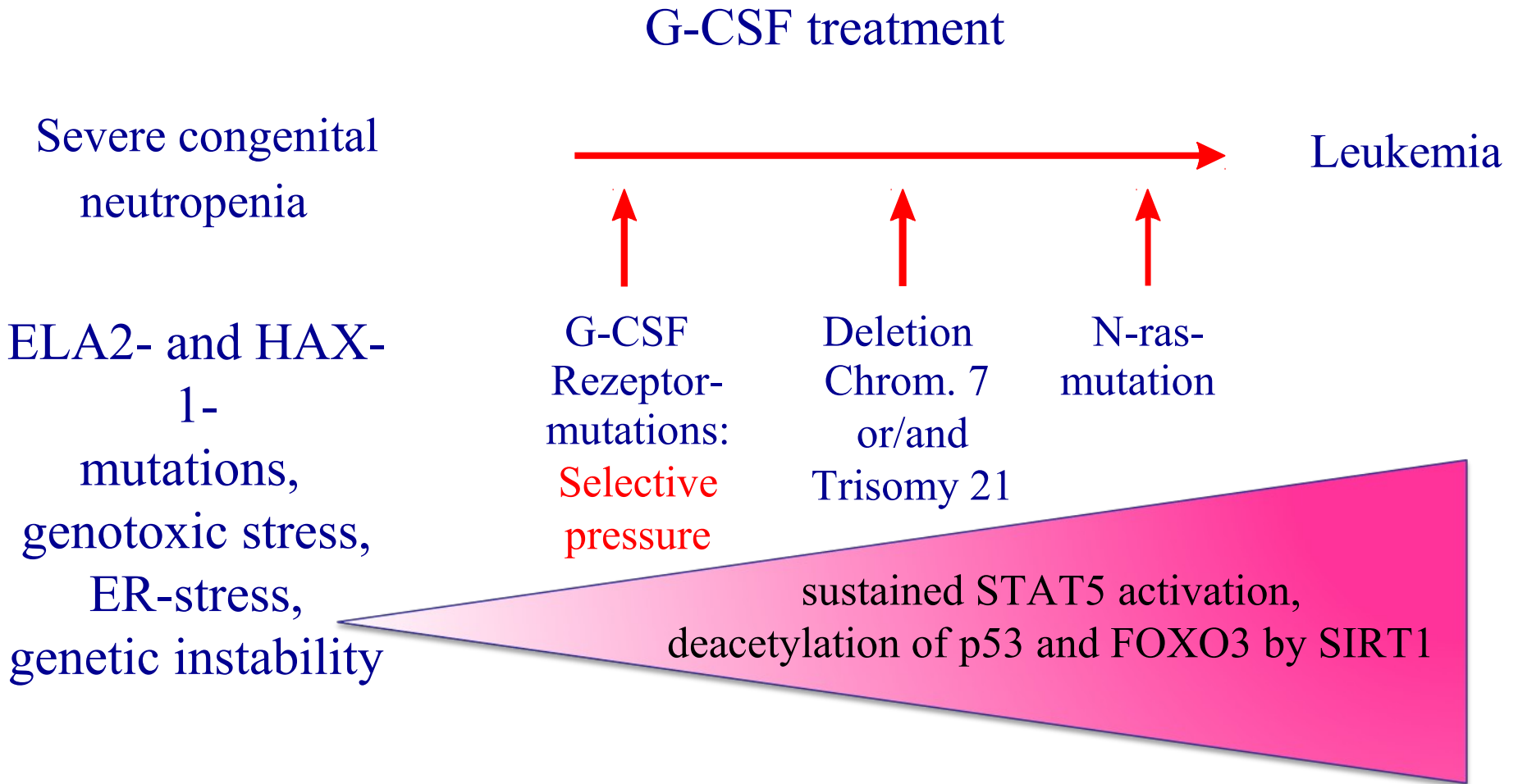
Leukemogenesis

SIRT1 deacetylates p53 and FOXO3a  functional

inactivation of p53 and FOXO3a

SIRT1 also deacetylates β -catenin and by this may induce genomic instability

Model of the malignant transformation in CN



Donald Metcalf

Abstract | The four colony-stimulating factors (CSFs) are glycoproteins that regulate the generation and some functions of infection-protective granulocytes and macrophages. Recombinant granulocyte-CSF (G-CSF) and granulocyte-macrophage-CSF (GM-CSF) have now been used to increase dangerously low white blood cell levels in many millions of cancer patients following chemotherapy. These CSFs also release haematopoietic stem cells to the peripheral blood, and these cells have now largely replaced bone marrow as more effective populations for transplantation to cancer patients who have treatment-induced bone marrow damage.

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