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***Advances in Malignant lymphomas:
The case of extranodal
and T-cell lymphomas***

***The International
T-Cell Projects: from
retrospective analysis to
prospective data collection***

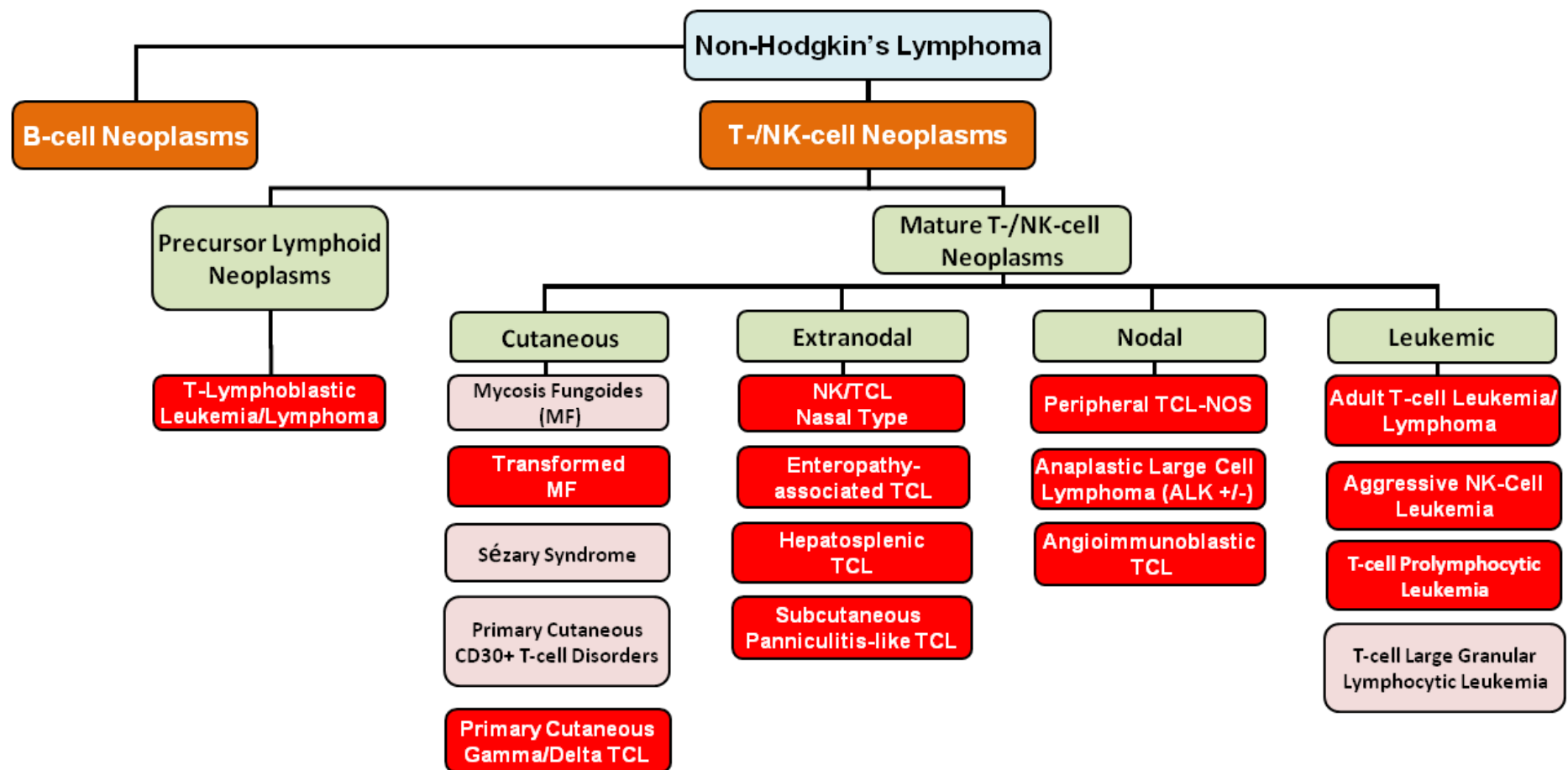
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Peripheral T-cell lymphomas (PTCLs)

- clinically and biologically heterogeneous group of mature T-cell and NK-cell neoplasms arising via oncogenic transformation of post-thymic T- and NK cells in peripheral lymphoid organs
- classification relies on
 - ✓ Morphology
 - ✓ Immunophenotype
 - ✓ Clinical/anatomical presentation
- limited recurrent genetic or molecular lesions, most lacking disease specificity
- Expert hematopathology review essential

WHO 2008 Classification of PTCLs



Adapted from Swerdlow SH, et al. *WHO Classification of Tumours of Haematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues*. 2008

Aggressive

Indolent

PTCLs: Epidemiology

- accounts for ~ 10% to 15% of all NHL
- rare in Western populations, prevalence slightly higher in Asia and Central–South America
- unique geographic distribution of different subtypes
- by some estimates, the incidence of PTCLs is growing significantly
 - ✓ may be driven by an aging population
 - ✓ improvements in diagnosis techniques may also be driving the apparent growth in incidence

International T-cell Project



Vose et al.
2008

International T-Cell Lymphoma Project

- 1,314 cases with PTCL or NK/T cell lymphoma (161 excluded; 1,153 analyzed)
- Newly diagnosed 1990-2002
- 22 sites globally
- Expert Hematopathology review
- Correlation with clinical outcomes

International Peripheral T-Cell and Natural Killer/T-Cell Lymphoma Study: Pathology Findings and Clinical Outcomes

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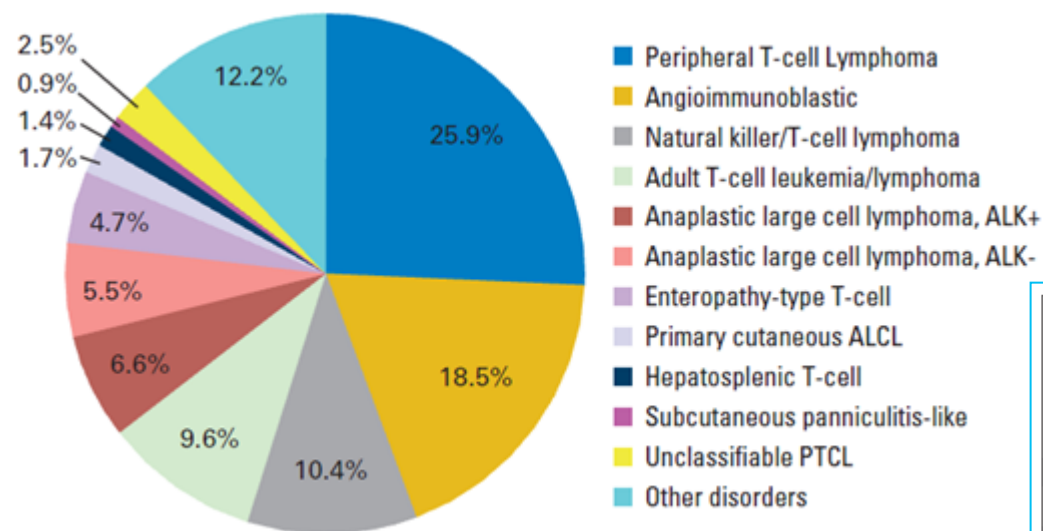


Fig 1. Distribution of 1,314 cases by consensus diagnosis.

Subtypes distribution among regions

Table 1. Major Lymphoma Subtypes by Geographic Region

Subtype	%		
	North America	Europe	Asia
PTCL-NOS	34.4	34.3	22.4
Angioimmunoblastic	16.0	28.7	17.9
ALCL, ALK positive	16.0	6.4	3.2
ALCL, ALK negative	7.8	9.4	2.6
NKTCL	5.1	4.3	22.4
ATLL	2.0	1.0	25.0
Enteropathy-type	5.8	9.1	1.9
Hepatosplenic	3.0	2.3	0.2
Primary cutaneous ALCL	5.4	0.8	0.7
Subcutaneous panniculitis-like	1.3	0.5	1.3
Unclassifiable T-cell	2.3	3.3	2.4

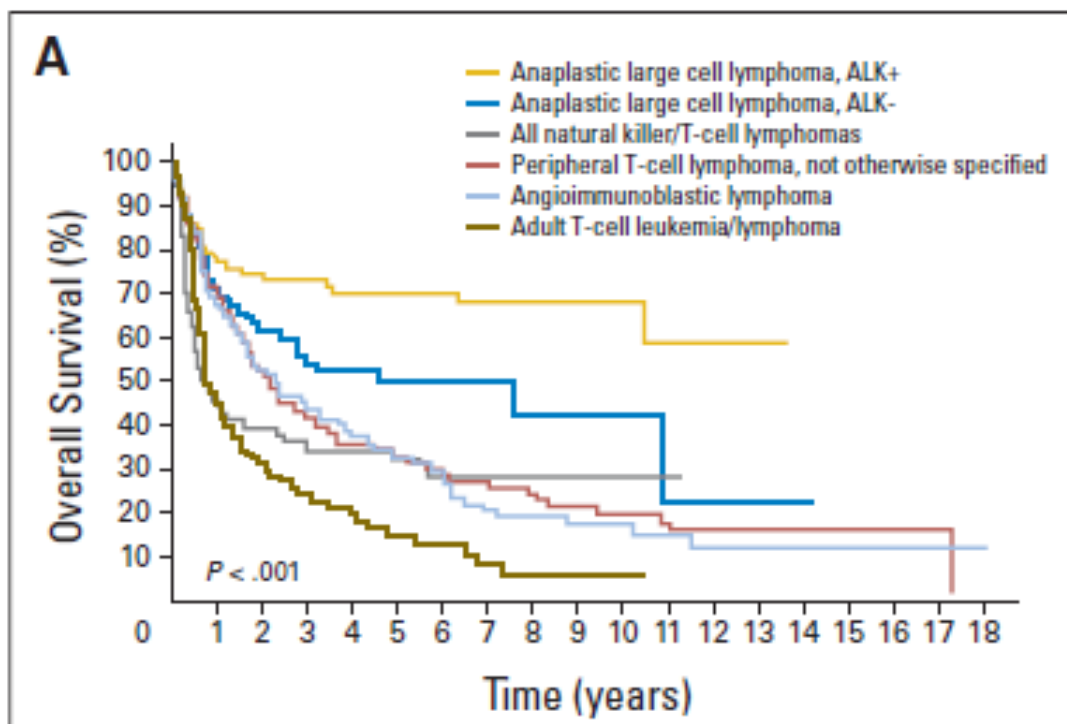
Abbreviations: PTCL, peripheral T-cell lymphoma; NOS, not otherwise specified; ALCL, anaplastic large-cell lymphoma; NKTCL, natural killer/T-cell lymphoma.

Overall survival



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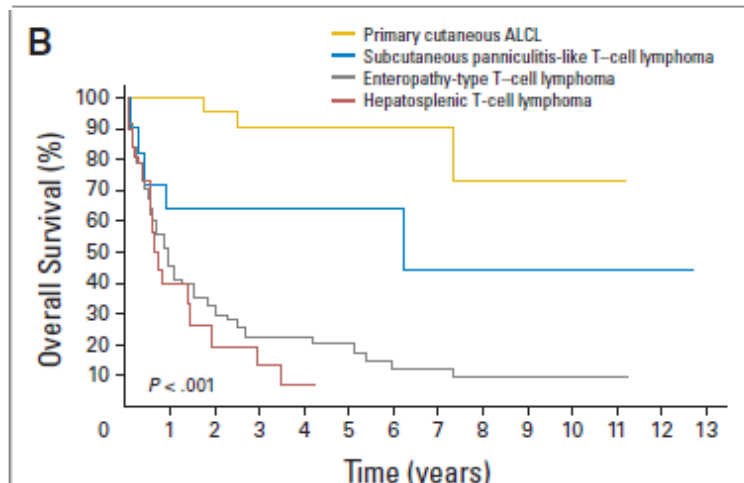
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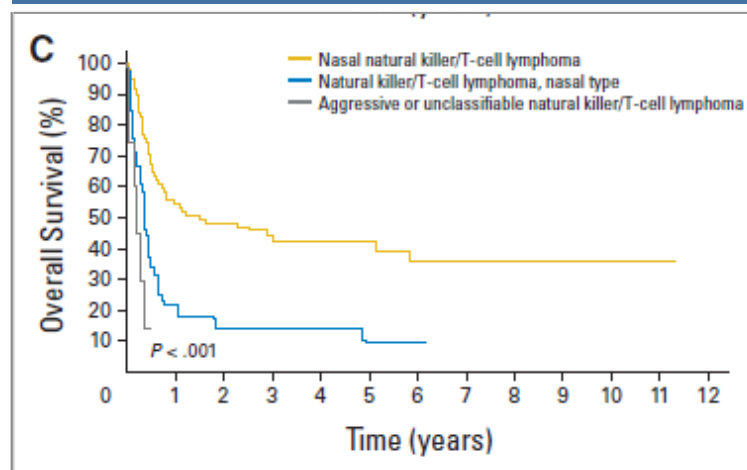
5-yr OS of most frequent subtypes

ALK+	ALK-	PTCL-	AITL	NKTCL	ATLL
ALCL	ALCL	NOS			
70%	49%	32%	32%	32%	14%

Less frequent subtypes



NKTCL



Study start: September 1, 2006



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PROSPECTIVE COLLECTION OF DATA IN PATIENTS WITH PERIPHERAL T-CELL LYMPHOMA

Peripheral T-Cell lymphoma unspecified
Angioimmunoblastic T-Cell lymphoma
Extranodal NK/T-Cell lymphoma
Enteropathy-type T-Cell lymphoma
Hepatosplenic gamma-delta T-Cell lymphoma
Subcutaneous panniculitis-like T-Cell lymphoma
Anaplastic large-cell lymphoma, T/null cell, primary systemic type

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Study design and Aims



- To verify if a **prospective collection** of data would allow to achieve more accurate information **to better define prognosis** of the most frequent subtypes (PTCL,NOS and AITL) and **to improve knowledge on clinical and biological characteristics** and **outcome** of the more uncommon subtypes
- Sample size calculated on PTCL,NOS and AITL
(**460 PTCL,NOS + 460 AITL**)
- Primary endpoint: **5-yr OS**

Inclusion Criteria (1)

1. Previously-untreated patients with *de novo* diagnosis of peripheral T-cell or NK/T-cell lymphoma:

- ✓ **Peripheral T-cell lymphoma NOS**
- ✓ **Angioimmunoblastic T-cell lymphoma**

- Peripheral T-cell lymphoma, lymphoepitelioid variant
- Peripheral T-cell lymphoma, T-zone variant
- Peripheral T-cell lymphoma, parafollicular variant
- Nasal NK/T-cell lymphoma
- NK/T-cell lymphoma, nasal type
- Anaplastic large-cell lymphoma, T/null cell, ALK+, primary systemic type
- Anaplastic large-cell lymphoma, T/null cell, ALK-, primary systemic type
- Anaplastic large cell lymphoma, small cell variant, ALK+
- Anaplastic large cell lymphoma, lymphohistiocytic variant, ALK+
- Enteropathy- type T-cell lymphoma
- Hepatosplenic T-cell lymphoma
- Peripheral gamma-delta T-cell lymphoma
- Subcutaneous panniculitis-like T-cell lymphoma
- Unclassifiable peripheral T-cell Lymphoma
- Unclassifiable NK-cell lymphoma

Inclusion Criteria (2)

- 2. Age over 18**
- 3. Clinical data including baseline information on disease localization and laboratory parameters at staging, features of treatment adopted and assurance of follow-up updating for at least 5 years are requested**
- 4. Tissue biopsies adequate for diagnosis and classification and available for centralized review**
- 5. Diagnosis from September 1, 2006**
- 6. Continuous series of patients from each Institution**

Institutions & Patients

as of March 13, 2016

	Inst	Pts	%
Recruiting	74	1499	100
Active, Not Yet Recruiting	5	-	-

USA 8 328 22%

MSKCC
MDACC
UNMC
Stanford
CCF
FHCRC
WUSTL
Yale

South America 7 290 20%

Argentina (3)
Brazil (2)
Chile (1)
Uruguay (1)

Europe 56 649 45%

Italy (39 + 1*)
UK (4)
Switzerland (3)
Slovakia (1)
Spain (8 + 3*)
France (1)

* active, not yet recruiting

Middle/Far East 3 182 13%

SMC-South Korea
QMH-Hong Kong
Sheba Medical Center-Israel
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*Analysis of data of patients
registered up to March 15, 2016
and with available data
(N=1,389). Part 1.*

Histotype distribution

according to LOCAL/CENTRAL DIAGNOSIS

if review not possible or not yet done local diagnosis is reported

PTCL-NOS	504	36%
AITL	249	18%
ALCL, ALK-	208	15%
ALCL, ALK +	116	8%
NKTCL	154	11%

Enteropathy type	62	5%
Hepatosplenic	26	2%
Subcutaneous pann-like	20	1%
Peripheral $\gamma\delta$	13	1%
Unclassifiable T-cell	37	3%

Histologic subtypes distribution (%)

Subtype



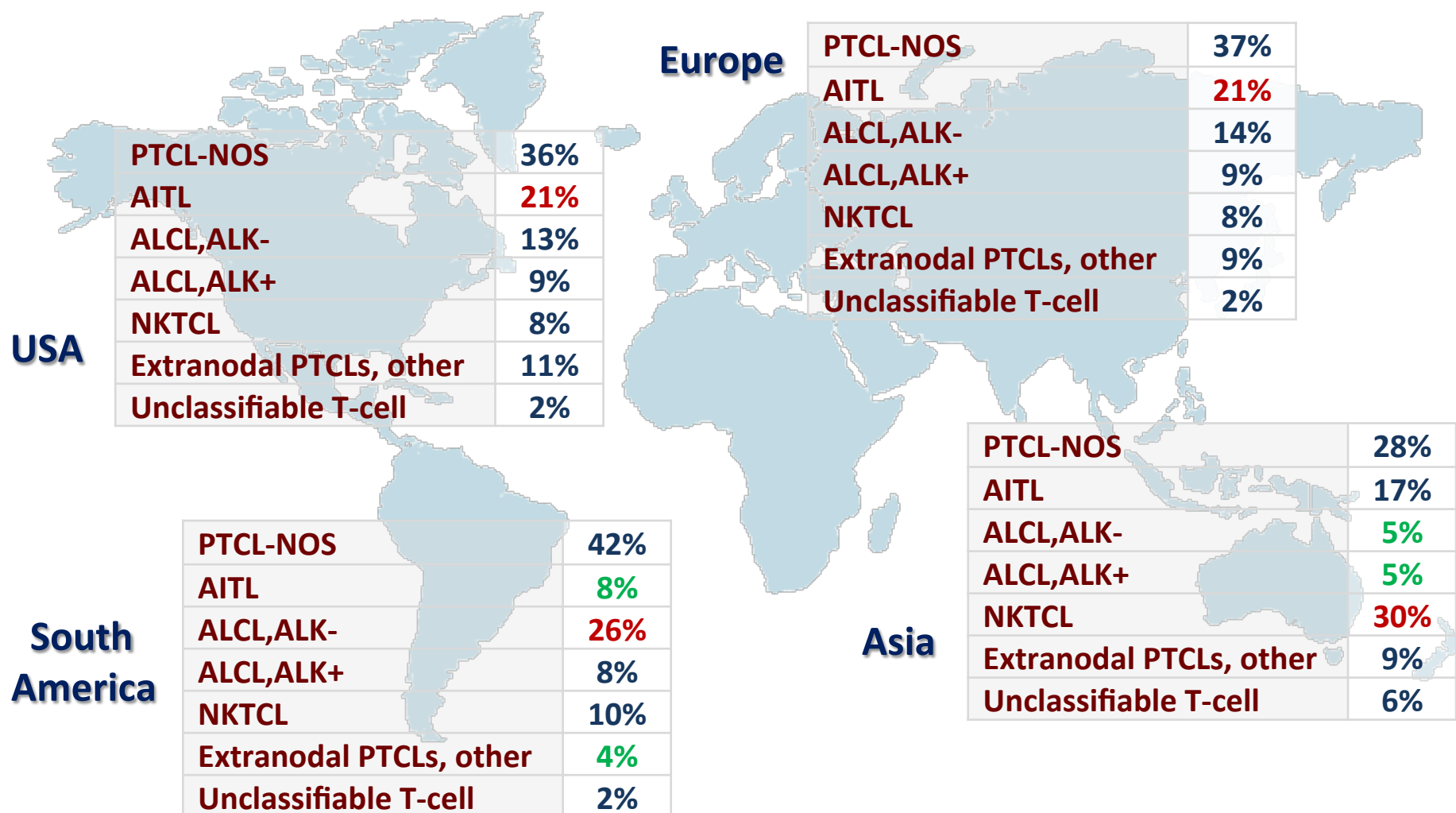
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	N =1153	N=1389
PTCL-NOS	25.9	36.3
AITL	18.5	17.9
ALCL, ALK +	6.6	8.4
ALCL, ALK -	5.5	15.0
ALCL, primary cutaneous	1.7	-
NK/T-cell lymphoma	10.4	11.1
EATL	4.7	4.5
Hepatosplenic	1.4	1.9
Subcutaneous panniculitis-like	0.9	1.4
Gamma-delta T-cell	< 1	0.9
Unclassifiable T-cell	2.5	2.7

Subtypes by geographic area



Major Lymphoma Subtypes by Geographic Region (%)

Subtype	North America		Europe		Asia		South America	
	ITCLP	TCP	ITCLP	TCP	ITCLP	TCP	ITCLP	TCP
PTCL-NOS	34.4	35,5	34.3	36,7	22.4	28,6	-	41,4
Angioimmunoblastic	16.0	20,9	28.7	20,9	17.9	16,6	-	8,0
ALCL, ALK pos	16.0	9,3	6.4	9,2	3.2	4,6	-	7,7
ALCL, ALK neg	7.8	13,1	9.4	14,1	2.6	4,6	-	26,4
NK/T-cell	5.1	8,1	4.3	7,8	22.4	30,3	-	10,0
ATLL	2.0	-	1.0	-	25.0	-	-	-
EATL	5.8	2,5	9.1	6,2	1.9	2,9	-	3,8
Hepatosplenic	3.0	3,7	2.3	1,6	0.2	1,7	-	0,4
Primary cutaneous ALCL	5.4	-	0.8	-	0.7	-	-	-
Subcutaneous pannicul.	1.3	2,2	0.5	1,1	1.3	3,4	-	-

Major Lymphoma Subtypes by South American Country (N=261)

Subtype	South America All (N=261)		Chile (N=141)	Brazil (N=64)	Argentina (N=38)	Uruguay (N=18)
	N	%	%	%	%	%
PTCL-NOS	108	41,4	46,1	28,1	42,1	50,0
Angioimmunoblastic	21	8,0	7,1	12,5	7,9	0
ALCL, ALK pos	20	7,7	5,0	12,5	13,2	0
ALCL, ALK neg	69	26,4	29,1	23,4	26,3	16,7
NKTCL	26	10,0	7,1	18,8	5,3	11,1
EATL	10	3,8	3,5	0	2,6	22,2
Hepatosplenic	1	0,4	0	1,6	0	0
Unclassifiable T-cell	6	2,3	2,1	3,1	2,6	2,3

Database Completeness

67%

41%

Registration (All)	934
• Baseline	99%
• Clinical Data	86%
• Laboratory	79%
• Easy Stage	76%
• Planned Approach	86%
Therapy	1020
Adequate follow-up	847

Cases completed

574

73%

61%

Patients characteristics [1]

Parameter	N _{TOT}		
Median age (yrs)	1389	56 (18-90)	
		N	%
Age ≥60 yrs	1389	616	44%
Gender (Male)	1389	835	60%
ECOG >1	1201	312	26%
B-symptoms	1201	594	49%
Discomfort disease-related	1201	868	72%
IPI	993		
LOW-LOW/INTERMEDIATE 0-2		593	60%
INTERMEDIATE/HIGH-HIGH 3-5		400	40%
PIT	933		
LOW-LOW/INTERMEDIATE 0-1		560	60%
INTERMEDIATE/HIGH-HIGH 2-4		373	40%

Patients characteristics [2]

Parameter	N _{TOT}	N	%
Stage III-IV	1058	710	67%
Nodal only disease	1058	266	25%
Bulky disease (≥ 10 cm)	1058	65	6%
Number of extranodal sites >1	1058	320	30%
BM involvement	951	198	21%
LDH $>$ ULN	1010	492	49%
HB ≤ 11 g/dL	1080	330	31%
Platelets $\leq 150K/mm^3$	1079	196	18%
Lymphocytes $\leq 1000/mm^3$	1047	402	38%
Monocytes $> 800/mm^3$	994	241	24%
Beta2-microglobulin $>$ ULN	591	386	65%
CRP $>$ ULN	572	403	70%

Main Patients characteristics & Treatment by geographic area (N=1,389; Tx N=1,020)

	South America (N=261)		USA (N=321)	Europe (N=632)	Asia (N=175)
	N	%	%	%	%
Median age (yrs)	53 (18-88)		56 (18-88)	58 (18-90)	54 (18-89)
Age ≥60 yrs	92	35,2	45,5	50,3	34,3
Sex (Male)	150	57,7	56,7	63,1	59,4
ECOG >1	115	45,6	18,1	23,8	13,9
B-symptoms	151	59,9	46,0	50,0	36,1
Stage III-IV	134	58,3	68,2	73,2	60,0
NES >1	60	26,1	25,6	34,3	29,7
Therapy with curative intent	184	85,2	91,8	92,9	98,1
Chemotherapy +/- RT	182	84,2	89,1	91,5	95,4
<i>Anthracycline</i>	159	87,4	44,2	79,6	55,8
<i>Etoposide</i>	3	1,6	23,9	1,4	25,9
<i>Both</i>	11	6,0	28,8	11,3	8,8
HDT consolidation/salvage	5/11	2/5	13/9	8/16	6/17

Main Patients characteristics & Treatment by South American Country (N=261)

	South America All (N=261)		Chile (N=141)	Brazil (N=64)	Argentina (N=38)	Uruguay (N=18)
	N	%	%	%	%	%
Median age (yrs)	53 (18-88)		53 (18-83)	50 (21-88)	54 (21-88)	57 (36-81)
Age ≥60 yrs	92	35,2	34,0	31,1	42,1	44,4
Sex (Male)	150	57,7	64,5	48,4	44,7	61,1
ECOG >1	115	45,6	60,3	13,6	40,0	47,1
B-symptoms	151	59,9	60,3	55,9	57,1	76,5
Stage III-IV	134	58,3	57,9	61,1	53,1	63,6
NES >1	60	26,1	24,1	29,6	28,1	27,3
Therapy with curative intent	184	85,2	80,8	93,5	93,9	75,0
Chemotherapy +/- RT	182	84,2	80,8	89,1	94,0	75,0
<i>Anthracycline</i>	159		97,0	78,0	71,0	77,8
<i>Etoposide</i>	3		0	4,9	3,2	0
<i>Both</i>	11		2,0	12,2	9,7	11,1
HDT consolidation/salvage	5/11	2/5	0/0	4/17	9/6	0/8

PTCL-NOS: Main patient characteristics

Parameter	 Vose et al 2008 International T-Cell Lymphoma Project 	
	N=340	N= 504
Median Age (years)	60 years	59 years
Male Gender	66 %	60 %
Stage III/IV	69 %	77 %
Marrow positive	22 %	23 %
IPI 0/1	28 %	23 %
IPI 2/3	57%	59 %
IPI 4/5	15 %	18 %

AITL: Main patient characteristics

Parameter	 Vose et al 2008 International T-Cell Lymphoma Project			
	N=243		N=249	
Median Age (years)	65 years		64 years	
Male Gender	56%		60 %	
Stage III/IV	89%		90%	
Marrow positive	29%		30%	
IPI 0/1	14%		19%	
IPI 2/3	59%		54%	
IPI 4/5	28%		27%	

NKTCL: Main patient characteristics

Parameter	 Vose et al 2008 <i>International T-Cell Lymphoma Project</i>			
	N=127		N=142	
	Nasal N=92	ExtNas N=35	Nasal N=36	ExtNas N=106
Median Age (years)	52 yr	44 yr	55 yr	51 yr
Male Gender	64 %	68 %	72 %	64 %
Stage III/IV	27 %	69 %	16 %	29 %
Marrow positive	10 %	18 %	0 %	7 %
IPI 0/1	51 %	26 %	70 %	54 %
IPI 2/3	47 %	57 %	30 %	35 %
IPI 4/5	2 %	17 %	0 %	7 %

ALCL: Main patient characteristics

Parameter	 Vose et al 2008 <i>International T-Cell Lymphoma Project</i>			
	N=159		N=324	
	ALK+ N=87	ALK- N=72	ALK+ N=116	ALK- N=208
Median Age (years)	34 yr	58 yr	38 yr	54 yr
Male Gender	63 %	61 %	58 %	62 %
Stage III/IV	65 %	58 %	73 %	60 %
Marrow positive	12 %	7 %	9 %	7 %
IPI 0/1	49 %	41 %	47 %	41 %
IPI 2/3	37 %	44 %	49 %	44 %
IPI 4/5	14 %	15 %	4 %	15 %

EATL: Main patient characteristics

Parameter	 Vose et al 2008 <i>International T-Cell Lymphoma Project</i> 	
	N=62	N=62
Median Age (years)	61 years	59 years
Male Gender	53 %	63 %
Stage III/IV	69 %	59 %
Marrow positive	3 %	12 %
IPI 0/1	25 %	37 %
IPI 2/3	63 %	48 %
IPI 4/5	13 %	14 %



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- The subtypes for which the major difficulties in correctly diagnosing and classifying the disease by local pathologists were PTCL-NOS and ALCL, ALK-.

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- The results of the review confirm that these neoplasms can be easily misclassified or misdiagnosed in the daily practice, being a correct diagnosis still a very critical issue that needs a painstaking attention.
- The T-Cell project experience highlights that expert hematopathology review with the application of adequate diagnostic algorithms is essential when dealing with these tumors, since a misdiagnosis could have a crucial impact on a correct treatment choice and consequently on patient care.

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Dear Dr. Bellei,

Manuscript ID HON-16-0043 entitled "Pitfalls and major issues in the histologic diagnosis of Peripheral T-cell Lymphomas: results of the central review of 573 cases from the T-Cell Project, an International, Cooperative Study." which you submitted to Hematological Oncology, has been reviewed.

The referees have recommended publication, but also suggest some minor revisions to your manuscript.



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COMPLETE & TCP: Sybtypes distribution (%)



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Diagnosis

Baseline data (N)

Therapy data (N)

2010-2014

395

361

2006-2014

819

754

								
	≤ 60 yrs		>60<70 yrs		≥ 70 yrs		<i>P</i>	
	207	462	88	168	100	189		
PTCL-NOS	29	32	40	42	38	47	.002*	.001*
AITL	10	12	25	18	20	28		
ALCL, ALK pos	9	11	4	2	1	1-2		
ALCL, ALK neg	11	17	9	15	12	9		
NKTCKL	14	14	9	16	5	12		
Other	27	13	12	13	24	8		

* PTCL-NOS vs other subtypes

COMPLETE & TCP: Patient characteristics (%)



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	≤ 60 yrs 207 462		>60<70 yrs 88 168		≥ 70 yrs 100 189		<i>P</i>	
								
Male gender	61	61	65	68	63	57	.81	.09
B-symptoms (presence)	52	50	42	54	43	44	.16	.21
Stage III-IV	71	66	72	71	66	75	.55	.06
Sites of disease								
Nodal	60	72	66	74	58	81	.51	.054
Extranodal	62	74	56	76	58	72	.58	.65
LDH > ULN	<1	48	0	48	4	48	.02	.99

COMPLETE & TCP: Treatment characteristics (%)



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	≤ 60 yrs 189 426		>60<70 yrs 78 156		≥ 70 yrs 94 172		<i>P</i>	
								
Primary intent of Tx							<.0001	<.0001
Curative	94	96	89	90	69	87		
Palliation	6	4	12	10	31	13		
First line TX approach								
CHT alone	58	67	58	73	64	75	.58	.13
CHT +HDT consolidat.	23	10	22	5	3	1	<.0001	<.0001
CHT + RT consolidat.	6	17	8	9	7	9	.90	.008
Local RT alone	1	2	1	3	9	2	.002	.76
Observation /BSC	2	4	34	10	10	13	.02	.02
Other	10	10	9	9	8	8		

COMPLETE & TCP: Type of chemotherapy (%)



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	≤ 60 yrs 189 426		>60<70 yrs 78 156		≥ 70 yrs 94 172	
						
CHOP/CHOP-like	26	52	34	54	33	54
CHOEP/CHOEP-like	20	9	17	13	13	3
Gemcitabine-based	4	0	1	1	8	2
Platinum- based	6	3	3	2	1	1
Ifosfamide-based	8	6	4	1	0	1
Other	37	30	41	29	44	39

COMPLETE & TCP: Outcome



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	≤ 60 yrs 189426		>60<70 yrs 78156		≥ 70 yrs 94172		P	
								
2-yr OS (%)		60		55		40		<.0001
5-yr OS (%)		51		38		24		
Median survival (mos)	45.3		41.9		26.4			

Cox modeling predictors of OS

		HR	P		HR	P
Better survival <i>HDT consolidation</i>		0.19 95%CI 0.09-0.42	<.0001		0.50 95%CI 0.29-0.85	.01
Inferior survival <i>Stage III-IV</i>		3.4 95%CI 1.91-6.20	<.0001		3.0 95%CI 1.45-6.22	<.003
<i>Age</i>					1.12 95%CI 1.04-1.20	<.004

Conclusions

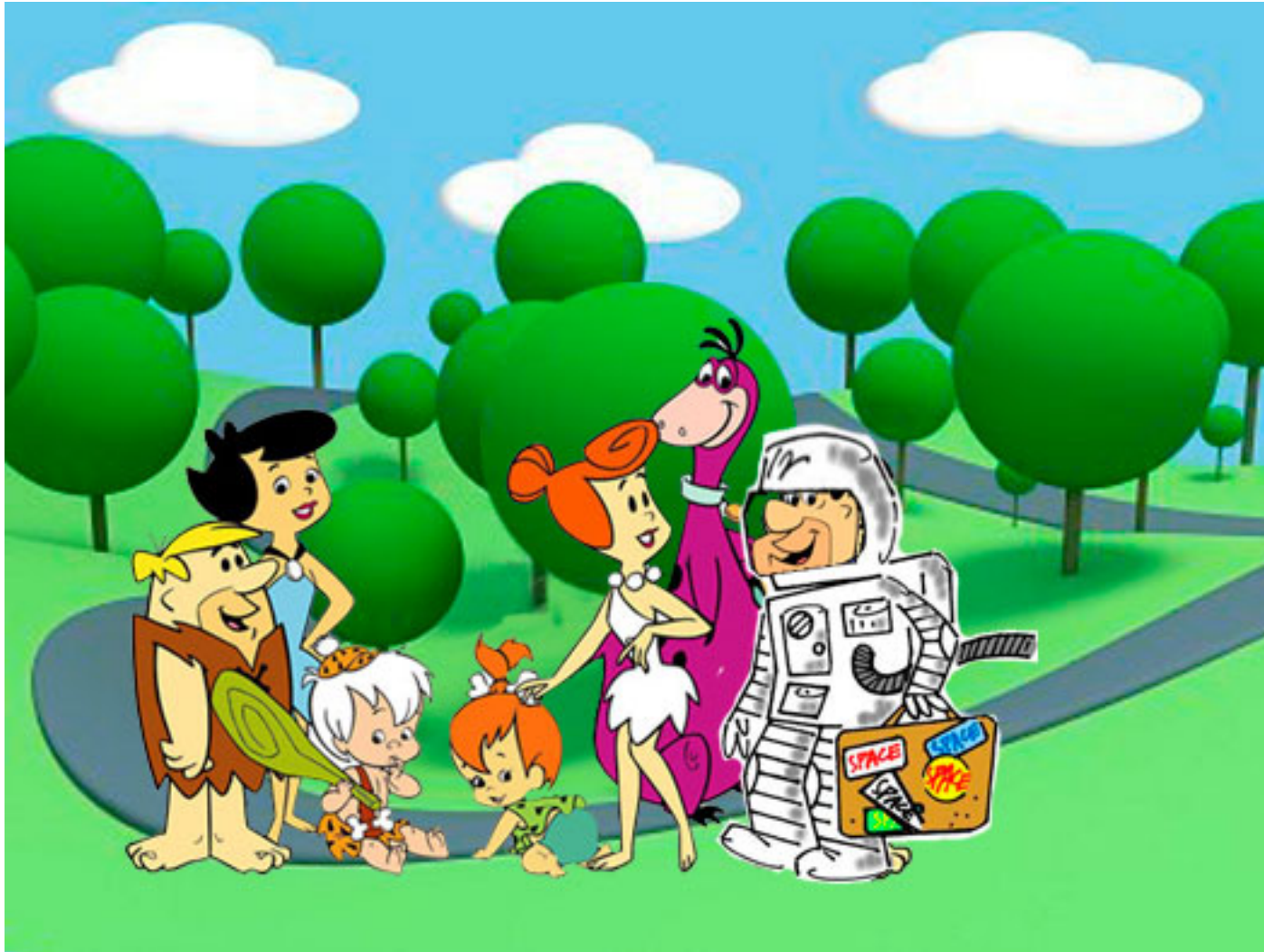


- Patients aged ≥ 70 yrs are more likely to receive non-curative intent TX
- HDT was an independent predictor of better OS
- Stage III-IV (both studies) and Age (TCP) are independent predictor of inferior OS
- Optimal treatment, especially for the elderly subset is still a relevant unmet need, more efforts to define better strategies are urgent

Conclusions

- PTCL is a very heterogeneous lymphoma – many subtypes
- Treatment remains challenging
- Retrospective and prospective information very similar patient populations
- Looking forward to new information and therapies!

...a step forward...



Next steps

- Continue registration reaching a total of at least 2,000 assessable cases
- Create an international tissue catalogue including FFPE samples as well as frozen tissue, accessible to research groups with a solid reputation in studying PTCLs
- Activate new sites/areas
 - ✓ Concord Hospital, Sidney (Judith Trotman)
 - ✓ AGMT, Austria - Study Group of Medical Tumour Therapy (Richard Greil, Lukas Weiss)
 - ✓ ACHO, Colombia - Colombian Association of Hematology and Oncology (Virginia Abello Polo)



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