Hot Topic: Outpatient Transplant Issues

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Historical Perspective

- Transplant Program opened in 1984
- Internationally recognized for its novel approaches to treating leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma
- Performed over 3000 transplants
- Currently perform 240+ per year
- 1992 opened first outpatient facility off campus
 - Breast Cancer 98%
 - Single preparative regimen
 - · High-dose chemotherapy as inpatient
 - Transplant administered as outpatient
 Stay in a neighboring hotel minutes away from clinic appointments
 and emergency care

Types of Transplants Performed

- Autologus
- Carmustine (BCNU)
- Allogeneic ablative
- Post engraftment
- Allogeneic reduced intensity
- Haplo-identical
- Inpatient
 - Dual Umbilical Cord
 - Post engraftment

Comprehensive Care

· Daily Clinic

- Current phases of transplant
- Stem Cell priming
- Preparative regimen
- Post transplant care
- Supportive Care
- Clinical Trials
- Open 10 hours 7 days a week
- Return Clinic
- Pre transplant workup
- Follow up care Aphresis Suite
- NMDP
- · Stem Cell collection
- Photopheresis

Isolation

- · Screen for VRE weekly
- · Accommodate in rooms
- · Gown/Gloves placed on entryway into clinic
- Identify early
 - · Able to adjust antibiotic regimen accordingly
- Consistent practice
- Portable Hepa Filter System



Multidisciplinary Team • Attending physicians

- Inpatient/outpatient
- Coordinators
- Physicians based
- Physician assistants and nurse practitioners
- Follow throughout process
- · Point person for patients, families and local physician
- Daily Care Providers
- · Physician assistants and nurse practitioners
- Alternate rotation inpatient/outpatient
- · Responsible for daily care

Nursing Staff

- Registered nurses
 - OCN Certified
 - Chemotherapy/Biotherapy Certified Stem Cell Administration
- Nursing Care Assistants
- Phlebotomy Certified
- · Additional staffing on site
 - Clinical Nurse Specialist
 - Triage Nurse
 - Dietician
 - Clinical Pharmacist
 - Social Workers
 - Financial Counselors
 - PRMO
 - PT therapist (future)

Support Services

- Pharmacy
 - On site
 - Pxysis
 - Curlin pump
 - Weekend Coverage
 - · Communicate plan for weekend and holidays
 - Satellite backup support inpatient 9th floor pharmacy
- Home Infusion
 - TPN Support

 - · Cytoxan prime hydration fluids

Support Services Continued Phlebotomy Suite

- New and Return patients
- Laboratory
- On site
- · ABC, Chemistry and urine analysis Additional labs to hospital
- · Transfusion Services
- Off site
- · Active type and screen Turn around times varies
- Courier
- Full time
- Volunteers
- Hospitality Cart
- Recreation therapy
- Meditation Room Family Lounge

Patient Resources

Allo/Auto binder

- Given at each new patient visit
- · Reinforcement of verbal
- information given Resources materials

Bring daily

- Intake/output log Vital sign sheets
- Records of daily labs
- Medications Sheets
- > Medication Reconciliation

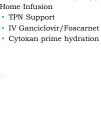
Patient Resources Continued

- New patient and Discharge Class Taught by CNS and nursing staff
- Caregiver Support Group
- Led by Social Workers · Quality of Life Support Group
- · Led by Behavioral Medicine
- · Held twice a week
- · 10 different topics discussed on a rotating basis Managing Fatigue, Pain Management, Enhancing Communication Skills, Decreasing Stress & Tension, Increasing Enjoyment in Life, Improving Concentration & Memory, Enhancing Social Support, Brief Relaxation Techniques, and Adapting to Chronic Illness

Major Concerns

- Emergency Service
 - · 2 Code carts/ 1 AED
 - Developed a mobile emergency kit
 - No clear define process
 - Meet with our affiliates Duke Life Flight and Durham County EMS
 - Developed an algorithm which simplifies which mode of
 - transport is needed ACLS vs. BLS One phone call

 - Clear concise communication





Electronic Kardex

- No formal RN report handoff
 No clear overview of patient's daily care
- Increase risk for error and
- could comprise patient safety
- Initiated in January
- Centrally locatedEasily Maintained
- Generational Friendly



Team Communication

- Round daily
- Collaborative inpatient/outpatient department meeting
- · Clear set protocols operate smoothly
- Able to view all inpatient/outpatient information
- Charge Nurses collaborate
 - · Important for patient flow

Housing

- Big Challenge
 Corporate housing
- Furnished apartments
- · Close to hospital
- · Caring house

Third Party Payers

- Reimbursement
 Pay out of pocket then reimbursed
- No housing benefits
 All out of pocket
- Individualized
 - Fair amount of work that goes into ensuring proper housing

Hot Topics in HSCT Nursing: Mobilization Strategy Controversies

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Objective:

 After this presentation, the participant will be able to describe and compare several peripheral blood stem cell mobilization strategies.

Comparison of Stem Cells in Bone Marrow and Peripheral Blood

- Bone Marrow • High Concentration
- Process 750 cc
- Peripheral Blood • Low Concentration • Process 40,000 to 80,000 cc

Mobilization: Definition

Method of stimulating the stem cells that originate in the bone marrow to increase in number and move into the peripheral blood

Mobilization: Goal

- Mobilize sufficient cells capable of regenerating a ful array of hematopoietic cell lineages
- Achieve adequate engraftment defined as:
 Absolute neutrophil count > 0.5 x 10⁹/L in 10-12 days
 Platelet count > 20 x 10⁹/L in 15-30 days
- Minimum: 2 x 10⁶/CD34+ cells/kg (Koc, 2000, Pusic, 2008)
- Higher number correlates with more rapid engraftment (Bensinger 1995, Pusic, 2008, Vogel 1998)

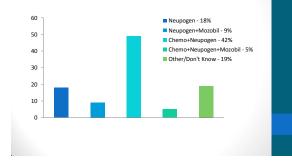
Current Methods of Mobilization

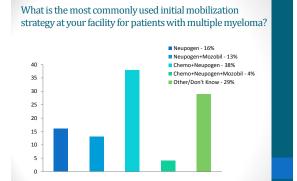
- Hematopoietic growth factors
 - Most commonly used
 - Filgrastim, Pegfilgrastim, Sargramostim
- Chemotherapeutic agents + growth factors
 - Cyclophosphamide, etoposide, melphalan
 - Disease-specific regimens: ICE and IVE
- + Filgrastim or sargramostim
- Chemokine Antagonists
 - Plerixafor

Other Methods to Mobilize Stem Cells

- Epinephrine
- Exercise
- Apheresis
- Hydrocortisone

What is the most commonly used initial mobilization strategy at your facility for patients with lymphoma?



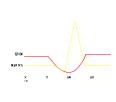


Variables to Successful Stem Cell Mobilization

Donor-related

- Age older than 60 yearsMultiple courses of chemotherapy
- Chemo agents: Melphalan, Nitrosoureas, procarbazine, nitrogen mustard, alkylating agents, platinum compounds
- Type of malignancy: NHL, HD
- Radiation to marrow producing sites
- Procedure-related
- Central access devices
 Cell separation devices
- cell separation devices
- Best predictor of an adequate collection is the number of CD34+ cell/µL in the blood on the morning of collection, both for good mobilizers and for poor mobilizers.¹⁵
- Commence collection when a particular number of CD34+ cells/µL is present (usually a number between 8 and 20) in order to increase the likelihood of collecting at least 2-4 x 10⁶ CD34+ cells/kg in a single apheresis, i.e., an acceptable number of HPCs for either one or two autologous transplants or a single allogeneic transplant.^{5,7}

Chemotherapy for Mobilization



Chemotherapy causes a transient increase or overshoot in circulating stem cells (Richman, Weiner, & Yankee, 1976)

History of Chemotherapy Mobilization

 1986 - 6 independent centers published reports of peripheral blood stem cell transplant

 Collection following chemotherapy to treat disease: Bell, Castaigne, Korbling, Reiffers, & Tilly

Chemotherapy Mobilization

Chemotherapeutic agents + growth factors

- Cyclophosphamide, etoposide, melphalan
- Disease-specific regimens: ICE, IVE, DHAP, etc.
- + G-CSF or GM-CSF

Limitations of Chemotherapy Induced Mobilization

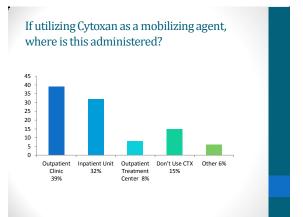
Not all patients mobilize stem cells

- heavily pretreated
- tumor in marrow
- solid tumors
- Difficult to determine optimal time to begin
- Morbidity & mortality from chemotherapy for mobilization (infection, hospitalization, transfusion support, death)
- To, 1990

Chemotherapy Mobilization

 $\,$ Studies have demonstrated greater hematopoietic stem cell yields with the use of chemotherapeutic agents plus G-CSF than with the use of G-CSF alone $^{1.3}$

Study	Disease State	Mobilization Regimen	n	Median Total CD34+ Cells (x 10 ⁶ /kg)
Bensinger, 1995	MM, Leukemia	Chemo + G-CSF or GM-CSF	124	10.75
	Other	G-CSF	119	5.21
Desikan, 1998	MM	CY + G-CSF	22	33.4
		G-CSF	22	5.8
Narayanasami,	NHL, HD	CY + G-CSF	24	7.2
2001		G-CSF	22	2.5



History of Hematopoietic Growth Factor Mobilization

Hematopoietic Growth Factors:

- Socinski , 1988, Sargramostim
- GM-CSF alone Incr number of circulating progenitor cells 18-fold
 GM-CSF + chemo incr number of circulating progenitor cells 60fold
- Duhrsen, 1988, Filgrastim
 - Pronounced increase in number of circulating progenitor cells

Growth Factors used for Mobilization

- Filgrastim (G-CSF, Neupogen)
- PIXY321
- Flt 3
- Erythropoietin
- Interleukin 3
- Sargramostim (GM-CSF, Leukine)
- Stem Cell Factor
- IL-11

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Hematopoietic Growth Factors for Mobilization

- Injected daily at least 4 days before apheresis and continued until end of apheresis (Pkg insert)
- Filgrastim 5 -10 mcg/kg/day
- Sargramostim 125-250 mcg/m²/day
- GF most commonly given SQ, IV reported
- Usually given q day, may be BID, IV was reported as continuous infusions
- Administered: Outpt, self-injected, clinic
- Filgrastim most commonly used GF for mobilization (Bensinger, DiPersio, and McCarty, 2009)

Limitations of Growth Factors

- · Insufficient stem cell mobilization and collection
- 35% of patients with NHL had unsuccessful PBSC mobilization with G-CSF alone (N=52) (Micallef, 2000)
- Collections of PBSCs from 23% of MM patients who received G-CSF alone were insufficient to support tandem transplantations (N=44)(Desikan, 1998)
- GM-CSF is less effective than G-CSF(Weaver, 2000, Arora, 2004)

Adverse events

- bone pain reported in 33% of patients treated with G-CSF(Package insert)
- Rare, but serious adverse events have occurred (Package insert)

Plerixafor (Mozobil)

- Chemokine antagonist
- Reversible inhibitor of SDF-1a/CXCR4 binding
- Initially developed as inhibitor of HIV entry into CD4+ cells
- Caused rapid, transient leukocytosis in patients with HIV infection and healthy volunteers, stimulating interest in capacity to mobilize CD34+ cells

Mechanism of Action

Plerixafor blocks the SDF-1/CXCR4 interaction releasing stem cells from the bone marrow into the circulating blood

Mozobil[™] (plerixafor injection) Indications and Usage

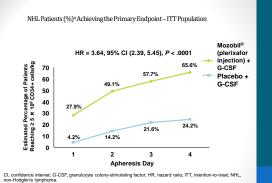
 Mozobil[™] is indicated in combination with granulocyte-colony stimulating factor (G-CSF) to mobilize hematopoietic stem cells to the peripheral blood for collection and subsequent autologous transplantation in patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and multiple myeloma

Mozobil[™] Administration

- Administer Mozobil[™] subcutaneously approximately 11 hours prior to initiation of apheresis
 - G-CSF is to be administered each morning for 4 days prior to first evening dose of plerixafor and on each morning of apheresis
- Mozobil[®] can be administered for up to 4 consecutive days
 Dose: 0.24 mg/kg SQ injection
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Mozobil* [prescribing information]. Cambridge, MA: Genzyme Corp; 2008.

	Plerixafor + G-CSF	Placebo + G-CSF	p value
Primary Endpoint Patients achieved ≥ 5 x 10 ⁶ CD34+ cells/kg n 4 or less days of apheresis	59%	20%	< 0.0001
econdary Endpoint atients achieved : 2 x 10° CD34+ cells/kg a 4 or less days of apheresis	87%	47%	< 0.0001
econdary Endpoint Patients proceeding to ransplant	90%	55%	



Cl. confidence interval; G-CSF, granulocyte colony-stimulating factor; HR, hazard ratio; ITT, intention-to-treat, NHL, non-Hodgkin's lymptoma. Percentage of publicits achieving collection goal expressed as Kaplan-Meier estimate. Reprinted with permission. 2020 American Society of Clinical Oncology. All rights reserved. DiPersio JF, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2006;27:1477-1473.

Phase III (MM) Results: CD34+ Cell Mobilization

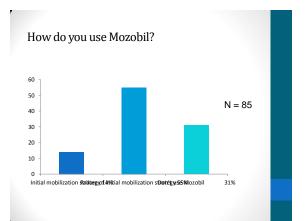
	Plerixafor + G-CSF	Placebo + G-CSF	p value
	72%	34%	< 0.0001
Secondary Endpoint Patients achieved $\geq 6 \ge 10^6$ CD34+ cells/kg in 4 or less days of apheresis	76%	51%	< 0.0001
Secondary Endpoint Patients proceeding to transplant	96%	88%	

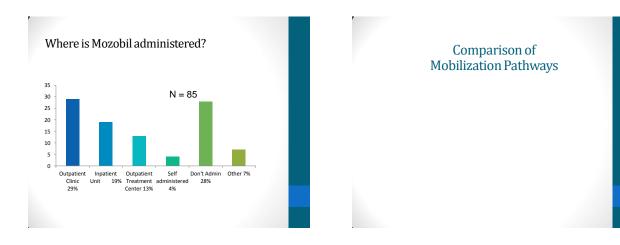
Median time to engraftment was Day 11 for PMN and Day 18 for platelets in both groups

MM Patients (%)^a Achieving the Primary endpoint - ITT Population Kaplan-Meier Estimate of Proportion of Patients Reaching ≥ 6 × 10⁶ CD344 Cells/kg 0 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 $\mathsf{HR} = 2.54 \ (1.874; \ 3.441), \ P < .001^{1,2}$ Mozobil® (plerix 86.8% 86.8% injection) + G-C 77.9% Placebo + G-CS 54.2 55.9% 48.9% 35.3% 17.3% 1 2 3 4 Apheresis Day G-CSF, granulocyte colony-stimulating factor; HR, hazard ratio; (TT, intention-to-treat, MM, multiple r * Percentage of patients achieving collection goal expressed as Kaplan-Meier estimate. 1. Mozobil (* presenting) information), G-moridge, MK- Genzyme Corp; 2008. J. Defrei JF, et al. B& Copyright 2010 by American Society of Hematology (ASH). Reproduced with permission of the AME HEMIATALOCIF (VAR) in the forum Presentation via Copyright Clearance Center. ny-stimulating factor; HR, hazard ratio; ITT, intention-to-treat; MM, multi d. 2009;113:5720-5 CAN SOCIETY OF

Plerixafor Side Effects

- · Systemic reaction: urticaria, periorbital swelling, dyspnea, or hypoxia
- Vasovagal reaction (< 1%)
- Injection site reactions
- Gastrointestinal side effects: diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, flatulence, a abdominal pain





Are you conducting any mobilization studies with study drugs?

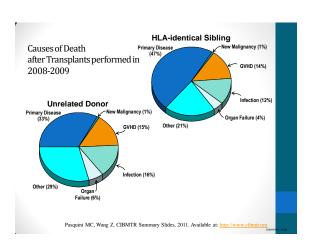
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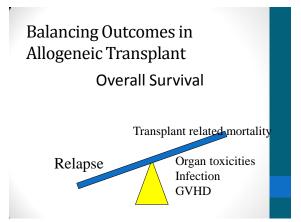
- Mobilization of Auto PBSC in CD20+ Lymphoma Patients Using RICE, G-CSF, & Plerixafor
- Recently started Mozobil as $1^{\rm st}$ line for MM, Plan to dev algorithm for $1^{\rm st}$ line in NHL
- G-CSF

Thank You!

Conditioning Regimens in Allogeneic Transplant: To Reduce or Ablate-That is the Question

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How Do You Balance the Conditioning Regimen?

- · What is Reduced Intensity?
- · What are the rationales of Conditioning Regimens?
- What are the outcomes?
- · What evidence do we have?

Nursing Poll

• Do you have a clear understanding of the differences in ablative vs reduced intensity conditioning regimens?

YES 82%

What are the definitions?

Myeloablative:

- Total body irradiation
- single doses of ≥500 cGy
- In fractionated doses totaling ≥800 cGy
- Busulfan doses of >9mg/kg
- Melphalan doses of >150 mg/m2
- Thiotepa > 10mg/kg

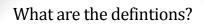
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What are the definitions?

Charactersitics of "Reduced Intensity"

- Reversible Myelosuppression without stem cell support
- Mixed chimerism at first assessment
- Low rates of non-hematologic toxicity

Giralt S, et al BBMT 2009;15:367



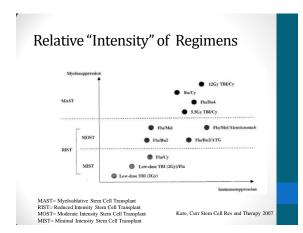
Non-myeloablative

- Minimal myelosuppression with more immunosuppression
 - Fludarabine/Low dose TBI +/-ATG/Alemtuzumab)

Reduced-intensity:

- regimens with lower doses of irradiation, busulfan, or melphalan than those of myeloablative regimen
- FluBu2, Flu Mel, FluCy +/- low dose TBI, +/- ATG

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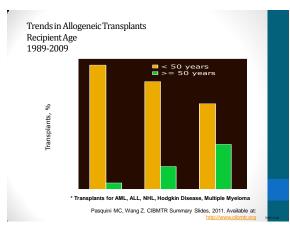
Rationale of Myeloablative Regimens

- Initial data indicated lower relapse rates with increasing doses of radiotherapy for AML/CML
 - Initial purpose of transplant = myeloablation with marrow rescue
- Greater Intensity = higher non-relapse mortality
 - No survival benefit in initial studies
 - Higher mortality from toxicities and GVHD

Clift RA, et al. Blood 1998;92:1455

Rationale of Non-Myeloablative Regimens

- REDUCE TOXICITIES
- Low dose TBI provides enough immunosuppression to allow $\ensuremath{\mathsf{engraftment}}^1$
 - Effect enhanced with fludarabine
- Graft vs Tumor Effect²
 - 1. Storb R et al. Blood 1997;89:3048
 - 2. Levine JE et al, J Clin Onccol 2002;20:405



Why is this is Hot Topic?

- NO PROSPECTIVE, RANDOMIZED TRIALS
- Many Retrospective Evaluations
 - Selection Bias
 - Not controlled for "Intensity" of Regimen
- Not controlled for GVHD prophylaxis
- Not controlled for type of transplant (MUDvsMRD, BMvsPB)
- Not controlled for chemosensitivity or disease severity
- Not controlled for types of disease

Similarities between Groups

- N= 315 Reduced Intensity vs 407 Myeloablative
- All Matched Sibling Donor Transplants for AML
- All over age 50
- Transplanted 1997-2003
- 60% CR1, 30% advanced disease
- Cytogenetics and FAB classification
- FluBu (<8 mg/kg) 53%, Flu +low dose TBI 24%
- TBI, CY/TBI, BuCy

Differences between Groups

- PBSC 90% RIC vs 69% MA
- GVHD prophylaxis
 - 88% CSA/MTX (MA) vs 44 % RIC
 - 2% CSA/MMF (MA) vs 19% RIC
 - 40% CSA alone for RIC

Transplanted Related Mortality Higher with Myeloablative

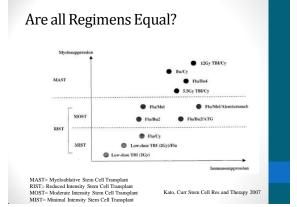
GVHD Higher with Myeloablative

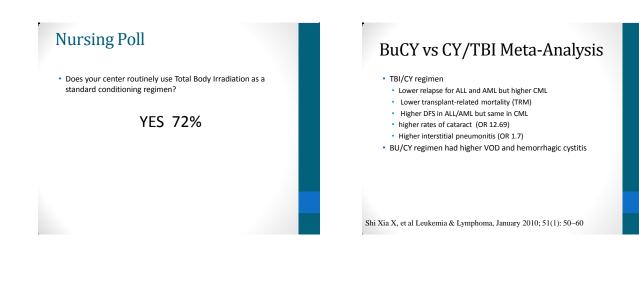
Disease Relapse Higher with RIC

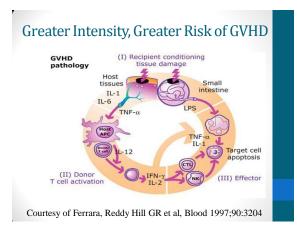
SAME Overall Survival

Reduced Intensity = Older Age?

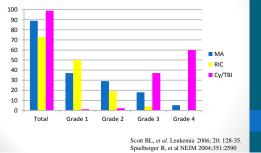
- Advantage of Reduced Intensity
 - Decreased Regimen Related Acute toxicities
 - Allows for Transplanting Patients that May NOT have been previously eligible
 - Older Age
 - Lower Performance Score
 - More morbidities







Regimen Related Toxicities Mucositis



Is there a "Kindler/Gentler" Myeloablative Regimen?

- Will Dose Intensity be more important if advanced disease or active disease?
- Would it be feasible to still give myeloablative regimen to older patient?

FluBu4 vs BuCy for AML



FluBu4 in Elderly AML Outcomes not changed with older age

• ONE Year TRM = 19% Alatrash G, Biol Blood Marrow Transplant 2011;17: 1490-1496 FluBu2/ATG Lowers Non-Relapse Mortality but Same Relapse Rate as FluBu4/ATG

Hamadani M, Hematol Oncol 2011; 29: 202-210

FluBu2 similar survival to FluBu4

Hamadani M, Hematol Oncol 2011; 29: 202-210

FluBu2 Superior to BuCY or CVB in CLL

Peres E, Bone Marrow Transplantation (2009) 44, 579-583

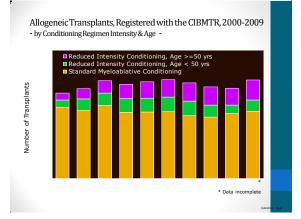
Kinetic Maximization of Busulfan

- Phase I trial
- 90 hour Continuous Infusion
- Dose escalated to specific AUC
- Relapse higher and OS lower in group with lowest AUC

Do You Still Have A Clear Understanding of Choosing One Regimen Over Another?

Randomized CTN Trial Open for AML

Walko C, ASBMT 2012 a42



Perhaps We Need More Active Regimens?

• Phase I/II Clofarabine (20mg-40mg/m2/day x 5 days) plus Busulfan 3.2 mg/kg/day x 4days with targeted AUC 4800

Magenau J, Blood 2011;118:4258

- Nonremission hematologic malignancies
- AML 100% CR, 1 year OS 48%, 2 yr OS 35%

Is it a Package Deal? Combined Effect of Conditioning intensity, TBI and graft source

• Sibling Donors (3191), Unrelated donors (2370)

- Compared 6 Treatment Categories
- MA + TBI + PBSCs
- MA + nonTBI + PBSCs,
- MA + TBI + BM
 MA + nonTBI +BM
- RIC + PBSC
- RIC + BM

Jagasia M, et al. Blood 2012;119:296

	Grade B-D					
	SD	URD	SD	URD	SD	URD
MA /TBI/ PB	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
МА /ТВІ/ ВМ		+			+	
MA /noTBI/PB					Ļ	
MA/ noTBI/BM	₽	₽				
RIC + PBSC	➡	•		➡		
RIC + BM						

Summary To Reduce or Ablate?

- No Randomized, Prospective Trials
- · Nonmyeloablative Transplants Demonstrate
 - Comparable Engraftment
 - Reduced Toxicities
 - Reduced to Equal GVHD
 - Higher Relapse
 - May be better for Unrelated Donors
- All Reduced Intensity Not equivalent
 - May depend more on disease