



Chronic leukaemia

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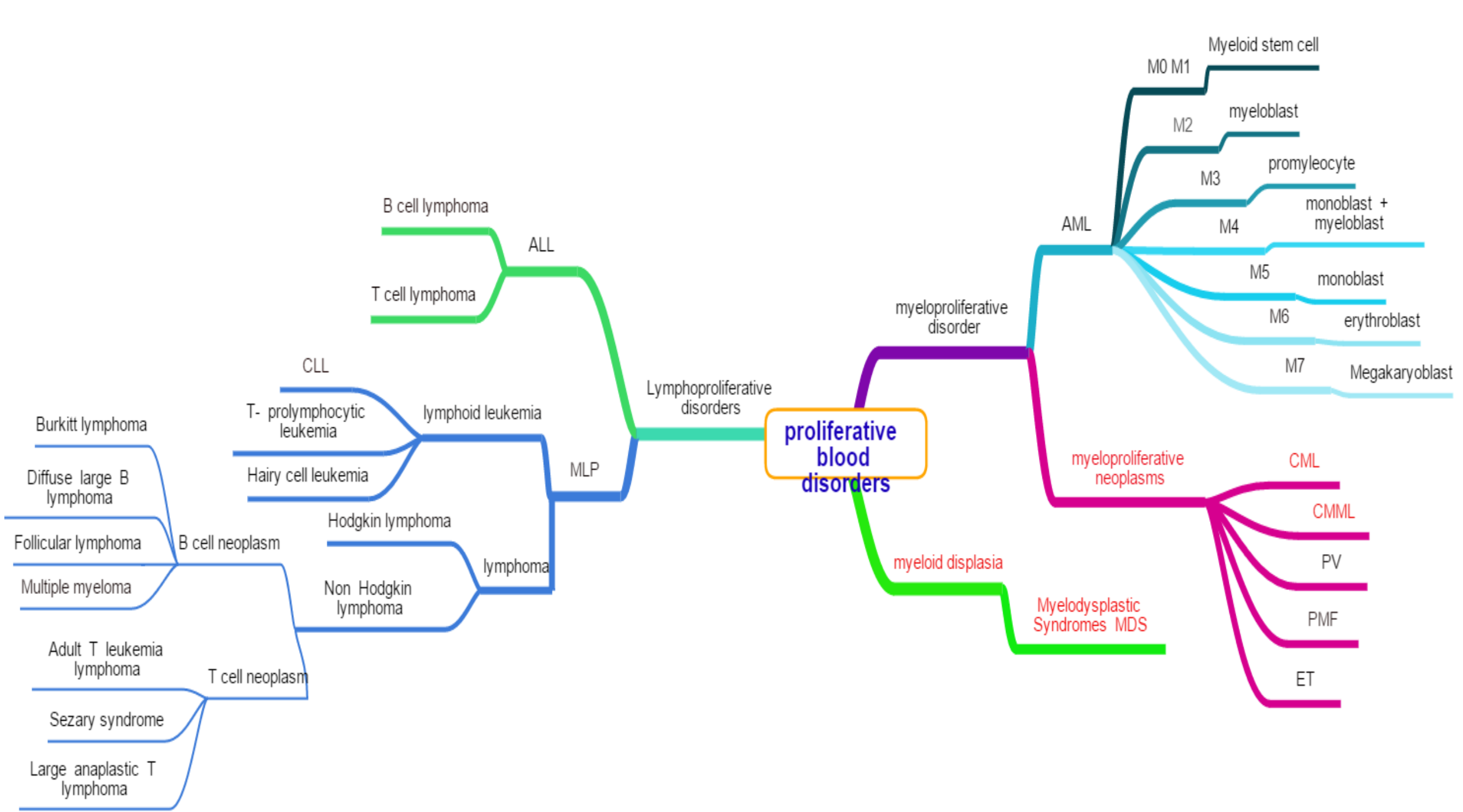
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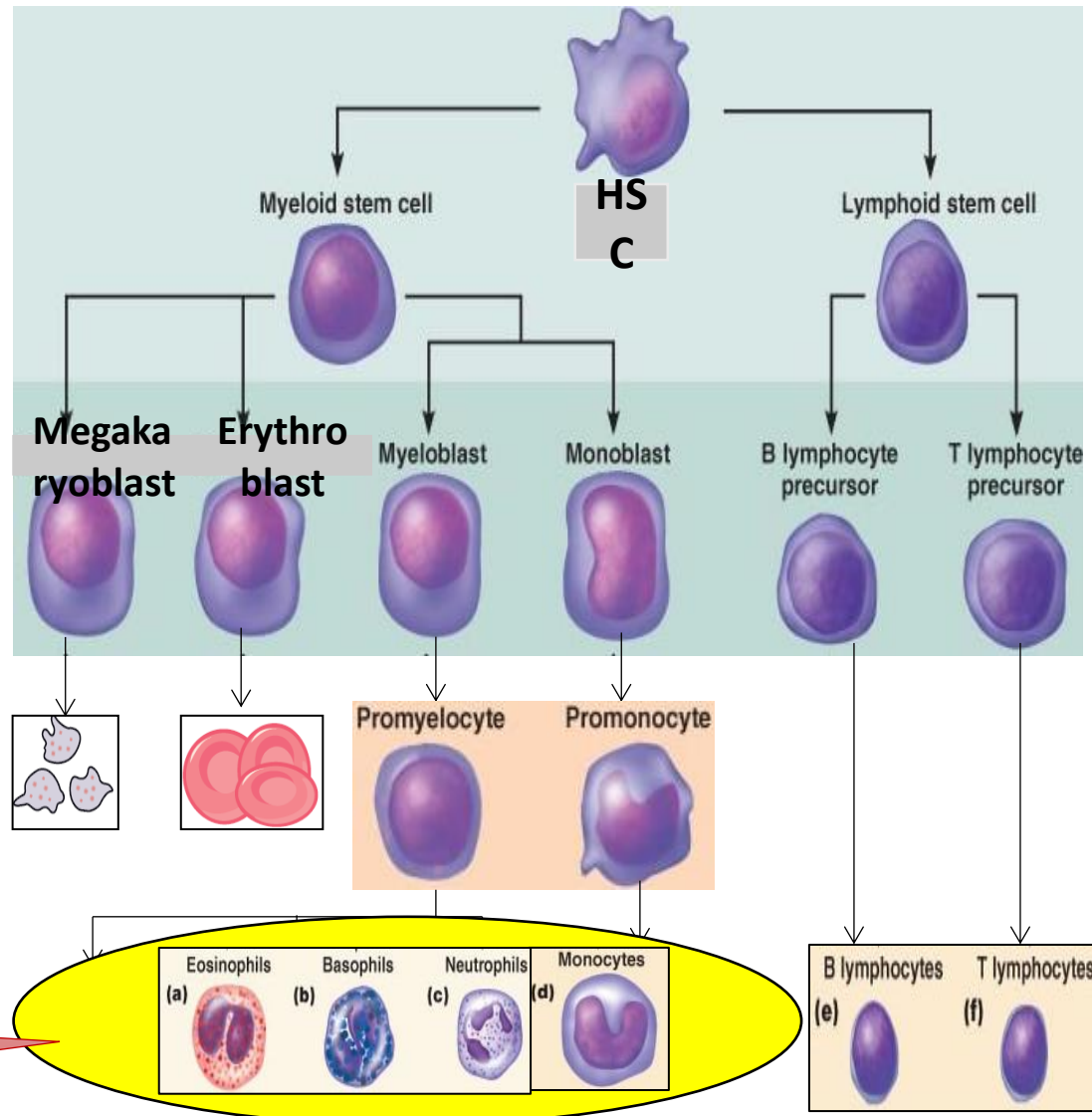
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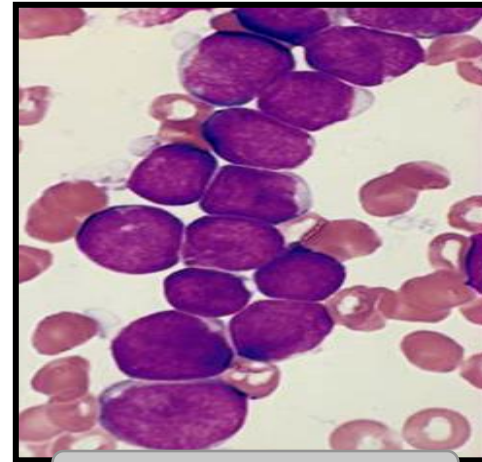
- ❖ • Heterogeneous group of **hematopoietic neoplasms**
- ❖ • **Uncontrolled proliferation** and **decreased apoptotic activity** with **variable degrees of differentiation** (Chronic leukemia unregulated growth of mature cells unlike the acute leukemia which is immature “precursors”).
- ❖ • **Composed of relatively mature cells**
- ❖ • **Indolent**: slow growing with mild pain “chronic” (If untreated, the course is in months or years)
- ❖ • Occurs mainly in adults



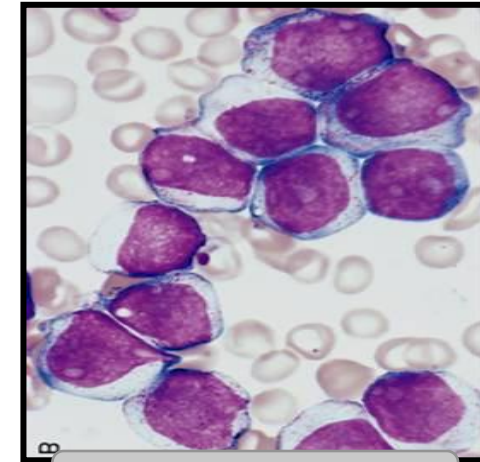
Variable differentiation and proliferation in this level of hematopoiesis

Main types of leukemia

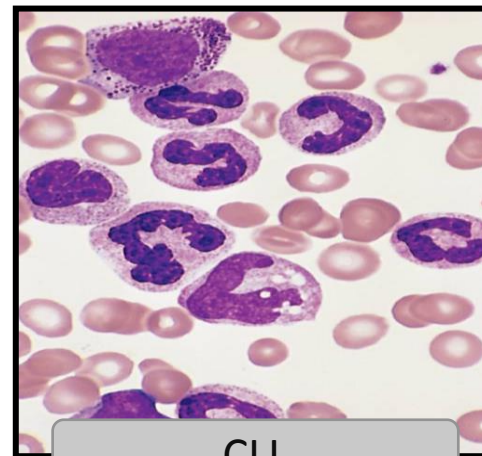
	Acute	Chronic
Lymphoid	ALL	LPN(CLL)
Myeloid	AML	MPN/MDS (CML)
Mixed	Acute Biphenotypic	
Non	Acute Undifferentiated	



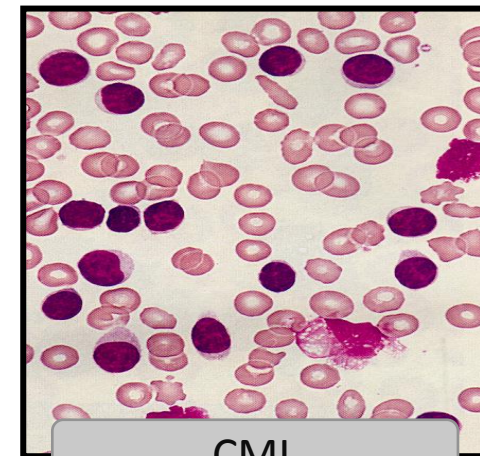
ALL



AML



CLL



CML

*ALL: acute lymphocytic leukemia, AML: acute myeloid leukemia
 *CLL: chronic lymphocytic leukemia, CML: chronic myeloid leukemia
 *LPN: lymphoproliferative neoplasm, MPN: myeloproliferative neoplasm
 *MDS: myelodysplastic syndrome
 *Leukemia can be divided on the basis of the speed of evolution of the disease into acute (rapid, weeks to months) and chronic (slow, asymptomatic for years). Each of these is subdivided into myeloid and lymphoid according to the cell type involved

Myeloproliferation neoplasm(MPN)

- ❖ **Malignant proliferation of myeloid cells (maturing cells)** which are mainly granulocytes (mostly neutrophils) in blood and bone marrow.
- ❖ • Occur mainly in **adults**
- ❖ • **Slow onset and long course**

MPN features

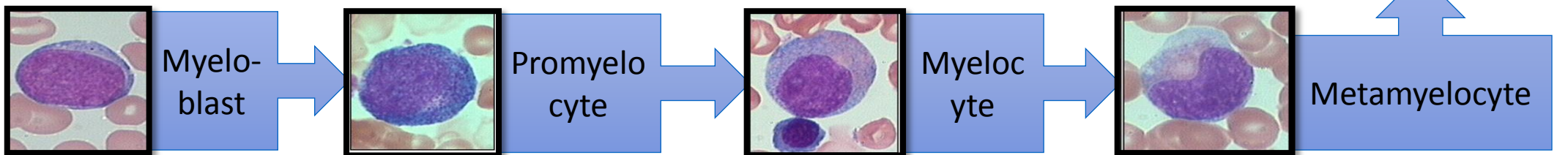
Cytosis (increase in number of cells)

Organomegaly (mainly splenomegaly)

High uric acid (due to dysfunction of blood cells, patients might develop gout)

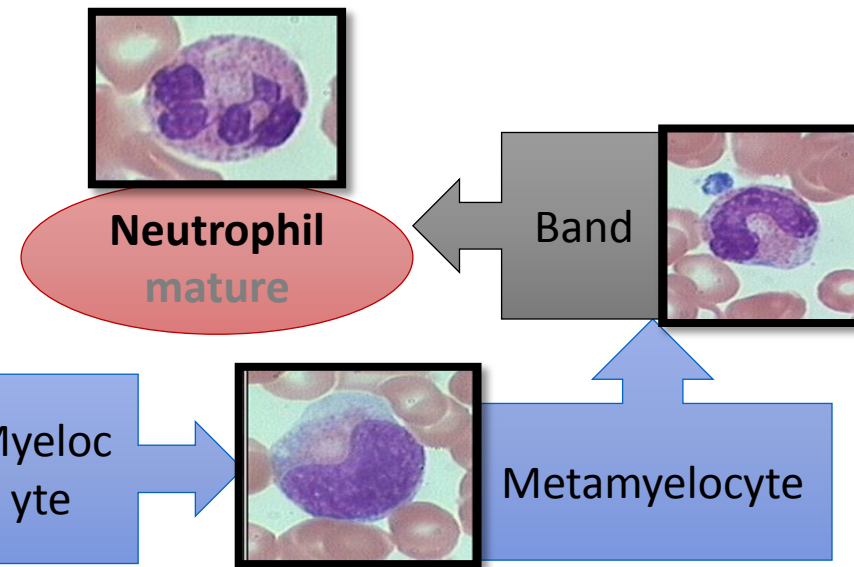
Hypercellular bone marrow

Progression to acute leukemia mainly AML

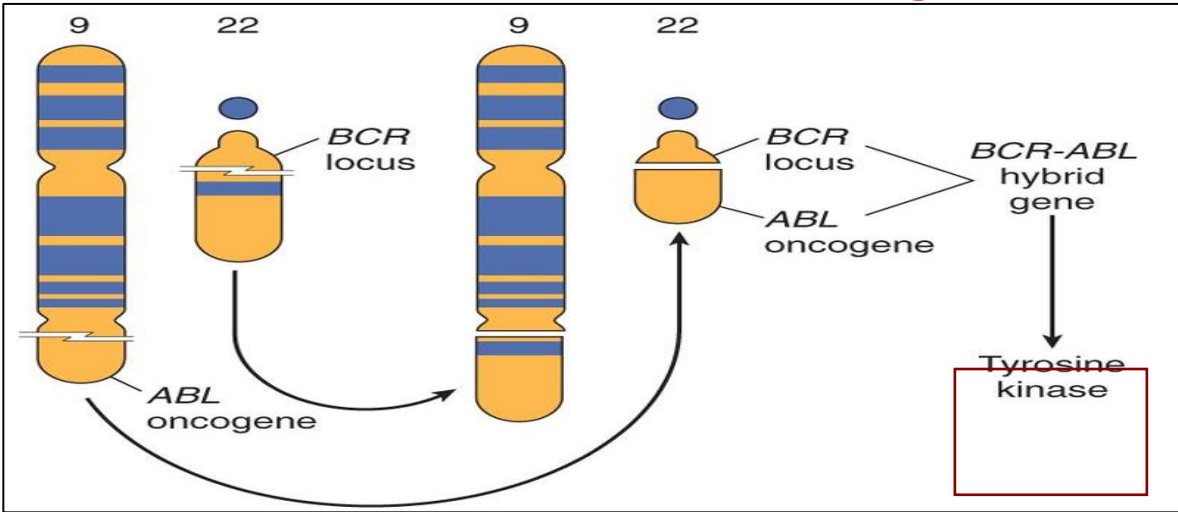


Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML)

- Stem cell MPN.
- Predominant **proliferation of granulocytic cells.**
- Consistently associated with the **BCR-ABL1 fusion gene** located in the **Philadelphia (Ph) chromosome** which results from **t(9;22)**.

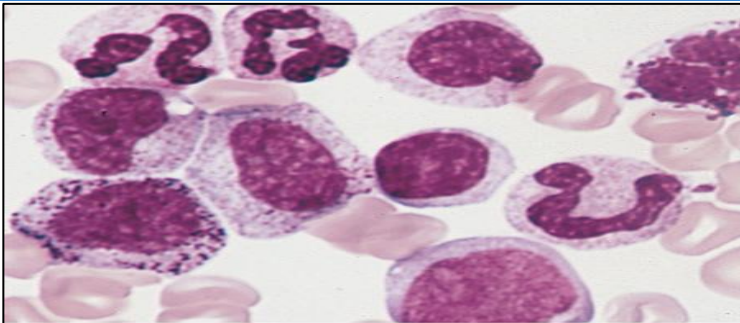
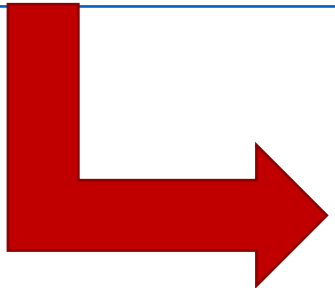


Pathogenesis of CML



Tyrosine Kinase : is an enzyme involved in the activation of all steps of the transduction pathway of cellular proliferation.

TK activity is **increased abnormally** when **BCR gene and ABL1 gene are fused in Philadelphia chromosome** which gives phosphate to transduction pathways that lead to **(uncontrolled proliferation.)**



Clinical presentation

- ❖ **Asymptomatic presentation** (20-40%) silent.
- ❖ Routine CBC: marked leukocytosis.
- ❖ Common symptoms: Fatigue, Weight loss or night sweating.
- ❖ **Abdominal discomfort due to splenomegaly.**
- ❖ Splenomegaly (**Massive**).



splenomegaly

Main Differential Diagnosis

- ❖ 1- Chronic myelomonocytic leukemia (monocytosis, BCR-ABL negative).
- ❖ 2- Leukemoid reaction: Leukocytosis due to physiological response to stress (inflammation) or infection.

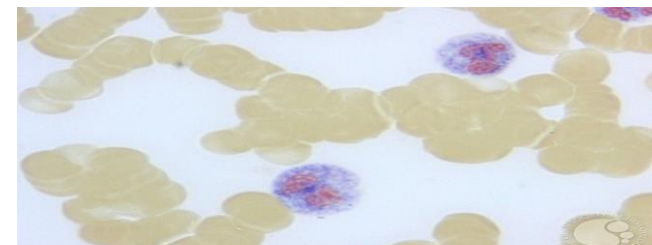
	CML	Leukaemoid
Age	Adult	Any age
WBC count	High	High but <100,000
Differential	Mainly myelocytes and segmented	Mainly Bands immature neutrophil
Morphology	Hypogranular	Toxic
Splenomegaly	+	+/-
NAP score	Low	High
BCR/ABL	Positive	Negative
Onset	Chronic	Acute

Neutrophil Alkaline phosphate (NAP) score

Cytochemical stain that estimate the amount of alkaline phosphatase enzyme in neutrophils.

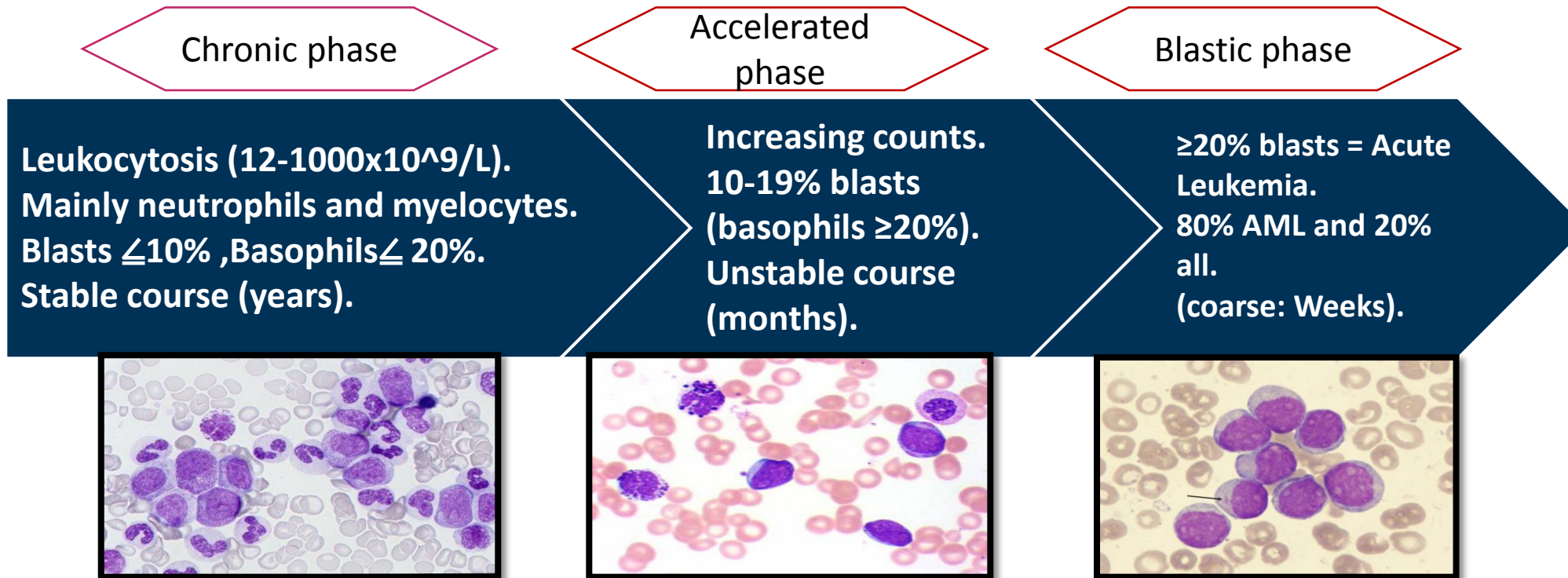


Low (negative): CML



High: leukaemoid

Chronic myeloid leukaemia phases



Not important

Treatment

First line therapy: tyrosine kinase inhibitors like Imatinib.

- Excellent response (5 years survival $>90\%$)

second line therapy: if no response => stem cell transplantation.



Myelodysplastic Syndromes (MDS)

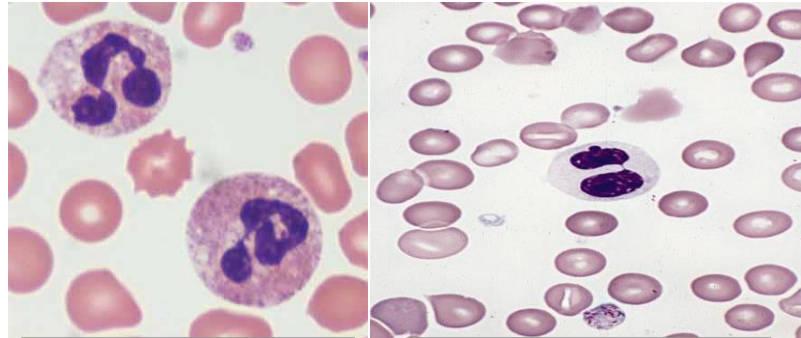
- ❖ Group of myeloid neoplasm characterized by:
- ❖ **1- Peripheral cytopenia** (low HB +/- low WBC and low PLT).
- ❖ **2- Dysplasia** (abnormal morphology).
- ❖ **3- Ineffective hematopoiesis (hypercellular bone marrow).**
- ❖ **4- Progression to AML (preleukaemic disease).**
- ❖ **5- Enhanced apoptosis in the peripheral blood.**

Many subtypes according to:

- 1- Blast count.**
- 2- Degree of dysplasia.**
- 3- Genetics.**

Variable genetic abnormalities mainly **-5, -7.**

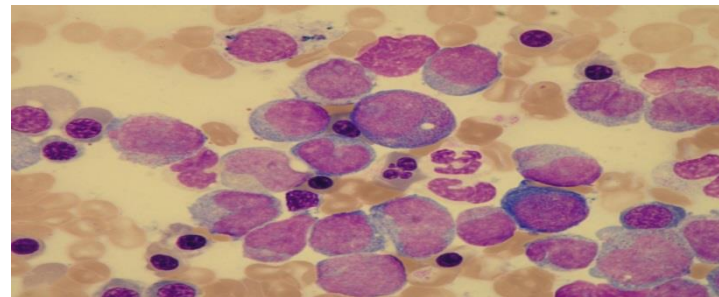
Treatment: supportive +/- chemotherapy.



Normal blood

Dysplasia in blood

Blood:
Pancytopenia with dysplasia

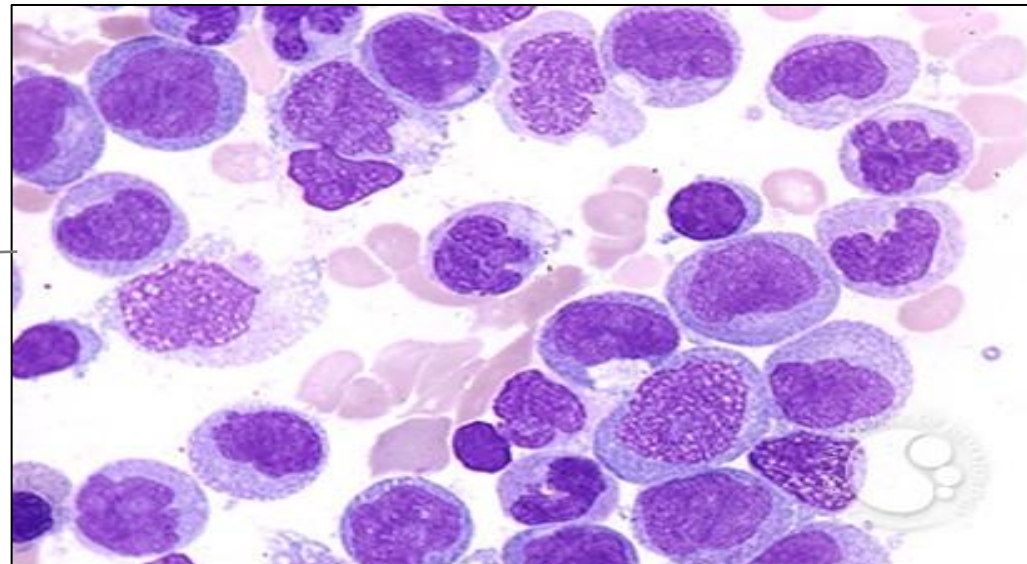
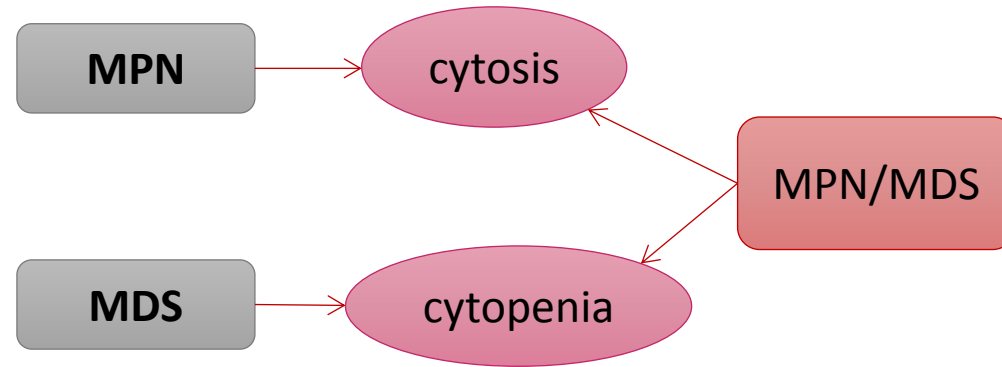


BM: Hypercellular with dysplasia

↑ proliferation - ↑ apoptosis = Ineffective Hematopoiesis

Chronic Myelomonocytic Leukemia (CMML)

- Clonal Hematopoietic malignancy characterized by **proliferation of both monocytes and neutrophils.**
- **MDS/MPN disease** (apoptosis & proliferation at the same time)
- *Features of MDS (dysplasia & enhanced apoptosis)
- *Features of MPN (marked proliferation)
- **Philadelphia chromosome must be negative**
- **Blast must be less than 20%** if more than 20% that means it is acute



- Aggressive course (survival rate around 2.5 y)
- Treatment : Chemotherapy ±SCT

1-in which level of heamatopoiesis chronic leukemia happens:

- A. Platelet
- B. B lymphocyte
- C. Granulocyte
- D. Erythrocyts

2- MPN : proliferation of immature cells:

- A. false
- B. true

3- which one is associated with BCR-ABL1 fusion gene

- A. MPN
- B. AML
- C. MDS
- D. CML

4- if NAP score was very low that indicate:

- A. AML
- B. CLL
- C. leukaemoid
- D. CML

5- MDS associated with:

- A. Peripheral cytopenia
- B. Hypercellular bone marrow
- C. A & B
- D. Non of the above

6-CMML characterized with:

- A. Basophil proliferation
- B. Monocyte proliferation
- C. B lymphocyte proliferation
- D. Eosinophil proliferation

1- C

2- A

3- D

4- D

5- C

6- B

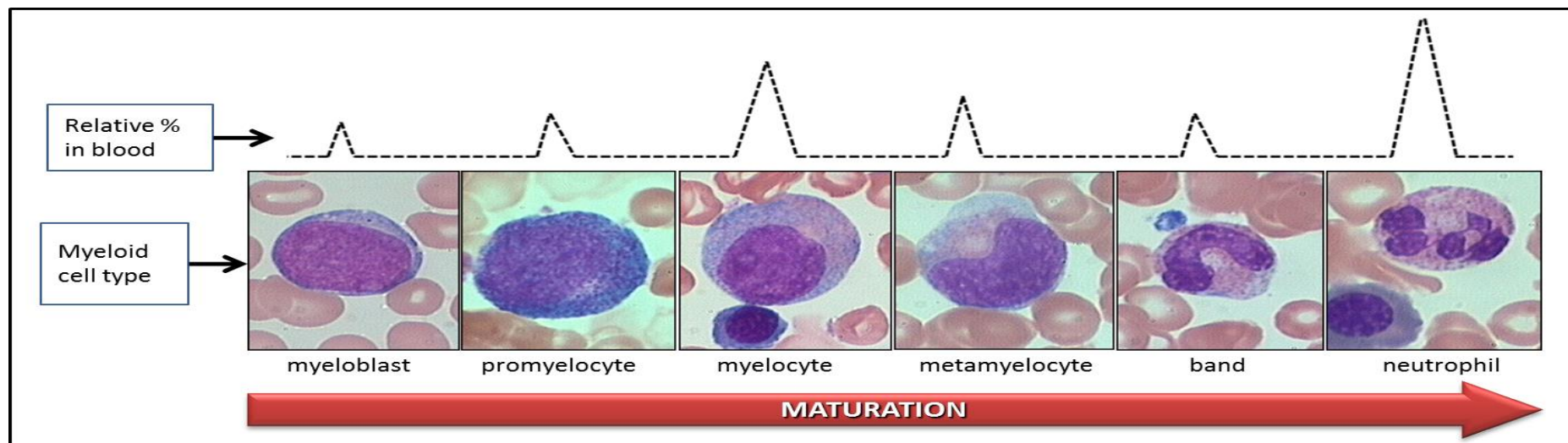
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an enzyme involved in the activation of all steps of the transduction pathway of cellular proliferation.

Q2 what are the MPN features?

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Q3 what are the stages of neutrophil maturation?



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tomorrow.

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