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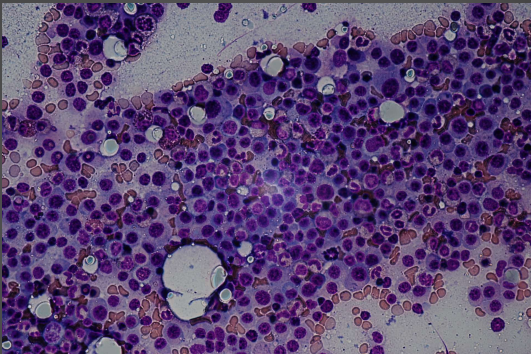
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# Understanding Myeloma

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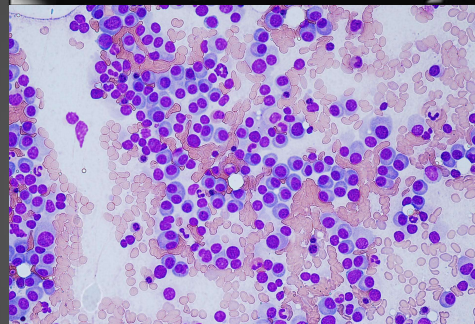
## Outline

- What is Multiple Myeloma?
  - Common Presenting Features
  - Epidemiology and Risk Factors for Multiple Myeloma
  - Diagnosis of Multiple Myeloma
- Disease Course in Multiple Myeloma
  - How to interpret lab results
  - When is imaging ordered? What type?
  - When do I need a bone marrow biopsy?
- Common patient and caregiver questions

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## Multiple Myeloma:

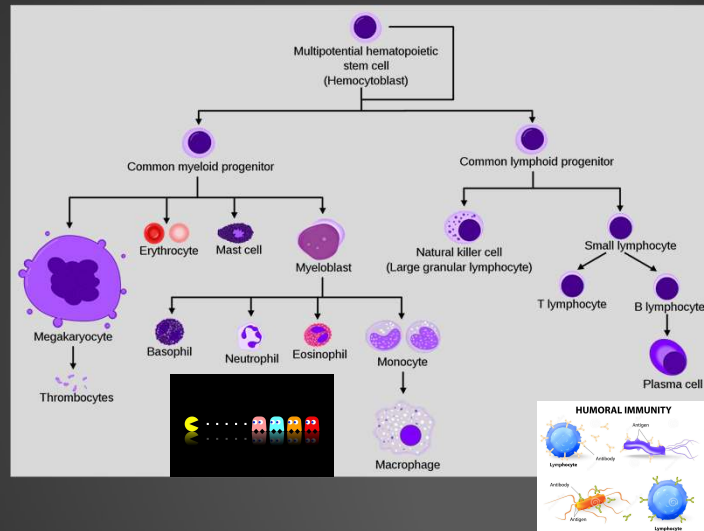
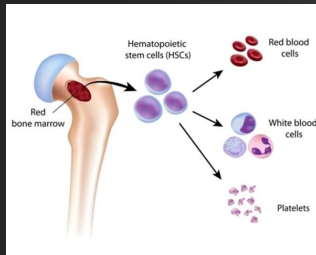
- Malignancy of plasma cells
- Hallmarks:
  - Monoclonal Ig – M-spike
  - Anemia
  - Renal failure
  - Destructive bone lesions
  - High blood calcium
  - Increased risk of infection



Munshi, N., et al. (2001). Plasma cell neoplasms. *Principles and Practice of Oncology*. J. DeVita, VT., S. Hellman and S. Rosenberg. Philadelphia, PA, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins: 2465-2499.  
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# What are plasma cells?



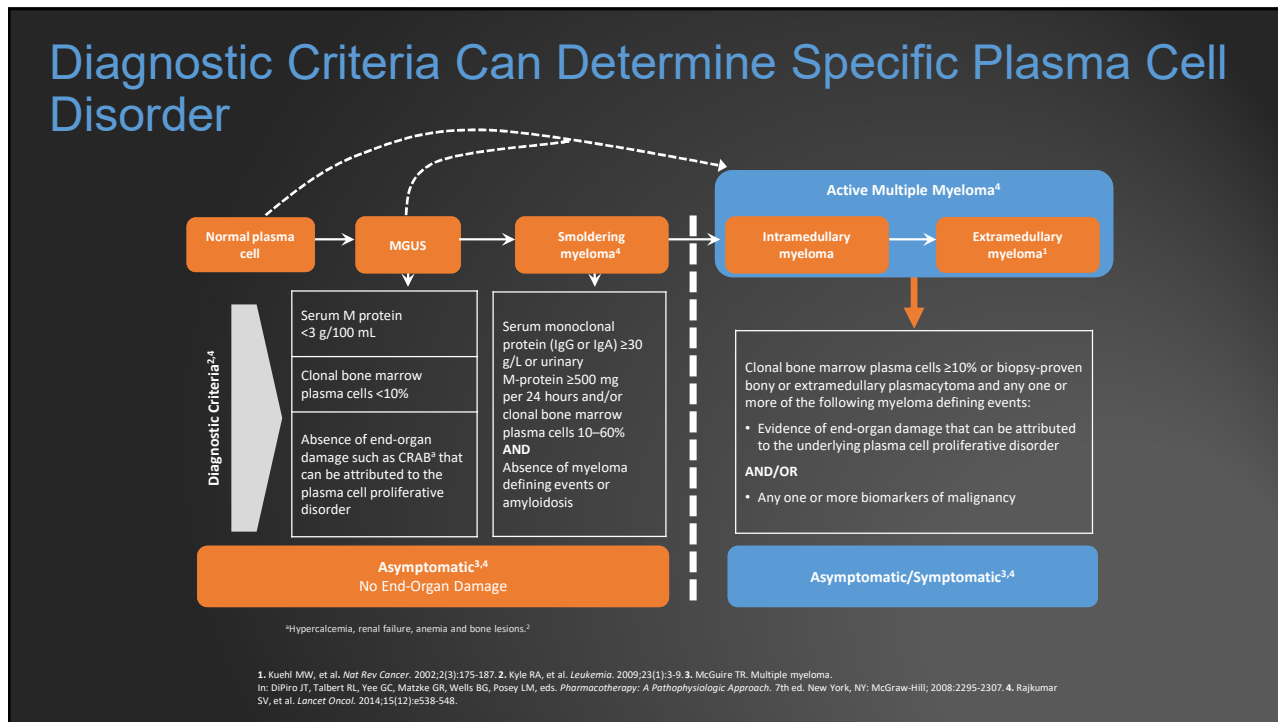
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## Myeloma is Part of a Group of Plasma Cell Disorders

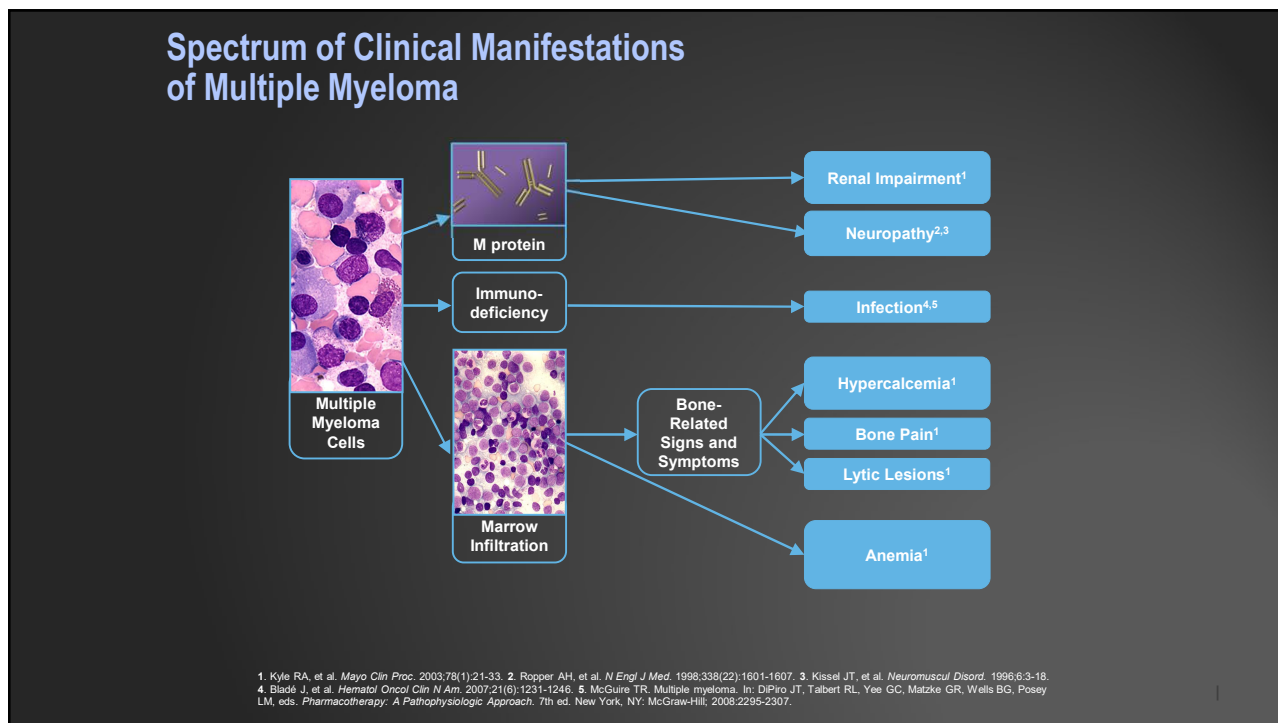
- Multiple Myeloma
- Other Disorders
  - Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS)
  - Smoldering multiple myeloma (SMM)
  - Solitary Plasmacytoma
    - Bone
    - Extramedullary
  - Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia
  - Primary Amyloidosis (AL)
  - Heavy chain disease
  - POEMS syndrome
  - Type I and II cryoglobulinemia

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# Myeloma Epidemiology and Risk Factors

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## Epidemiology of Multiple Myeloma<sup>a</sup>

### Prevalence

**~90,000 people** with myeloma in the United States estimated in 2012

### Demographics

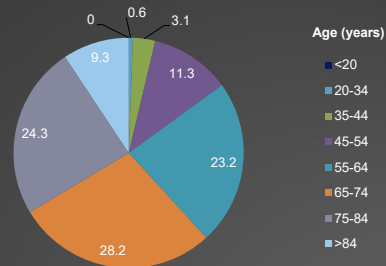
**69 years** is the median age at diagnosis

**3.7%** of multiple myeloma patients are **younger than 45 years**

**~2X incidence** of multiple myeloma in **African Americans** as in Caucasians

**More frequent in men** than women

Percent of New Multiple Myeloma Cases by Age Group



SEER 9 Incidence & U.S. Mortality 2008-2012, All Races, Both Sexes. Rates are Age-Adjusted.

<sup>a</sup>Based on SEER data and estimates published in 2015.

National Cancer Institute. Surveillance Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) stat fact sheets. Available at: <http://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/mulmy.html>. Accessed January 12, 2016.

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## Multiple Myeloma Risk Factors



### Age

Median age at diagnosis is 69 years<sup>1</sup>



### Male gender

Higher incidence in males than in females<sup>1</sup>



### Race

Incidence almost twice as high in African Americans as in Caucasians<sup>1</sup>

Other risk factors include:

- Environmental and occupational exposure, eg, radiation, chemicals<sup>2</sup>
- Potential familial predisposition<sup>2</sup>

1. National Cancer Institute. Surveillance Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) stat fact sheets. Available at: <http://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/mulmy.html>. Accessed December 12, 2015. 2. Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation. Multiple Myeloma Causes. Available at: <http://www.themmf.org/multiple-myeloma/multiple-myeloma-causes/>. Accessed December 12, 2015.

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## Myeloma Diagnosis

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## “Old” Diagnostic Criteria for MM

- Presence of M protein in serum or urine
- Identification of >10% monoclonal plasma cells in bone marrow and/or plasmacytoma
- Evidence of end-organ damage: CRAB(I) criteria
  - **C**alcium Elevation:  $\text{Ca}^{++} \geq 11$  mg/dL
  - **R**enal Failure:  $\text{SCr} \geq 2$  mg/dL
  - **A**nemia:  $\text{Hb} < 12$  g/dL
  - **B**one: lytic lesions, pathologic fracture
  - **I**nfections: Recurrent, due to hypogammaglobulinemia



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Kyle RA, Rajkumar SV. Criteria for diagnosis, staging, risk stratification and response assessment of multiple myeloma. *Leukemia* 2009; 23: 3–9.

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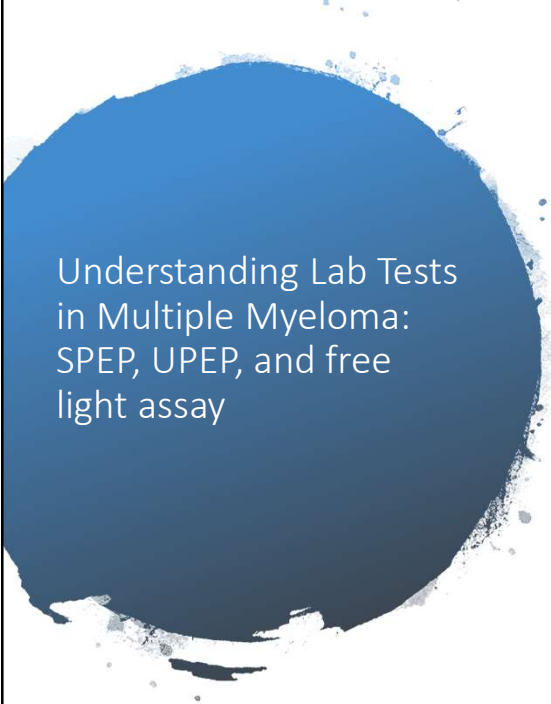
## Revised International Myeloma Working Group Myeloma Diagnostic Criteria

DEFINITION OF MM	
Clonal bone marrow plasma cells $\geq 10\%$ OR biopsy-proven bony or extramedullary plasmacytoma	
The above, plus any 1 or more of the following myeloma-defining events	
<b>Biomarkers of malignancy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clonal bone marrow plasma cell percentage <math>\geq 60\%</math></li> <li>• Involved:uninvolved serum free light chain ratio <math>\geq 100</math></li> <li>• <math>&gt;1</math> focal lesion on MRI studies</li> </ul>	<b>Evidence of end organ damage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calcium elevation (<math>&gt;1</math> mg/dL higher than the upper limit of normal or <math>&gt;11</math> mg/dL)</li> <li>• Renal insufficiency (creatinine clearance <math>&lt;40</math> mL/min or serum creatinine <math>&gt;2</math> mg/dL)</li> <li>• Anemia (<math>\text{Hb} &lt; 10</math> g/dL or <math>&gt;2</math> g/dL below the lower limit of normal)</li> <li>• Bone lesions (1 or more osteolytic lesions on skeletal radiography, CT, or PET-CT)</li> </ul>
The presence or absence of monoclonal protein is used to divide MM into secretory and nonsecretory types	

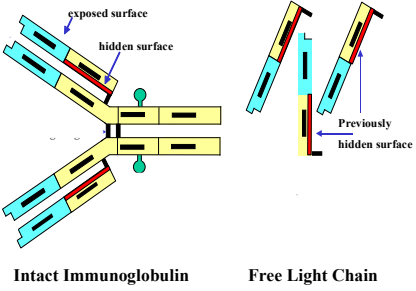
Rajkumar SV et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2014;15(12):e538-e548.

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Understanding Lab Tests  
in Multiple Myeloma:  
SPEP, UPEP, and free  
light assay



**Intact Immunoglobulin**      **Free Light Chain**

Bradwell, Serum free light chain assay

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### Normal Serum Protein Electrophoresis

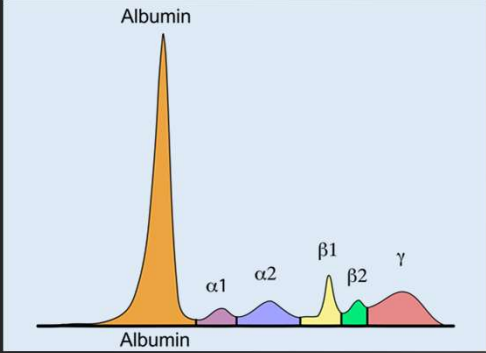


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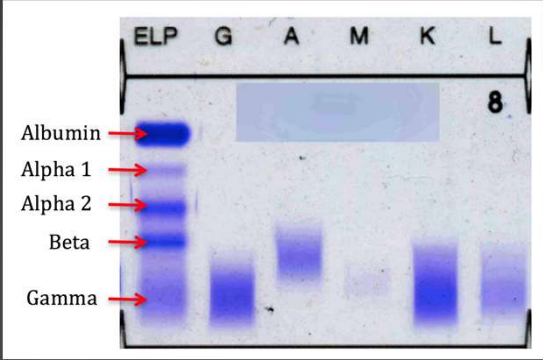
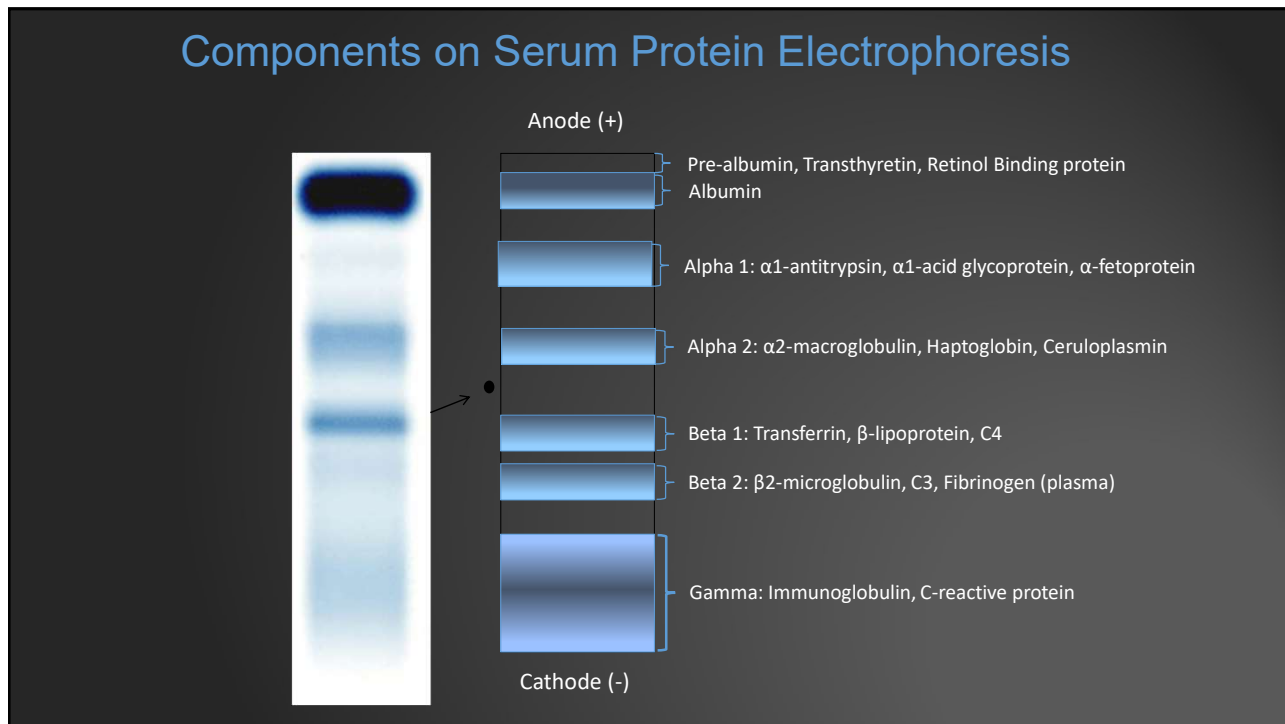
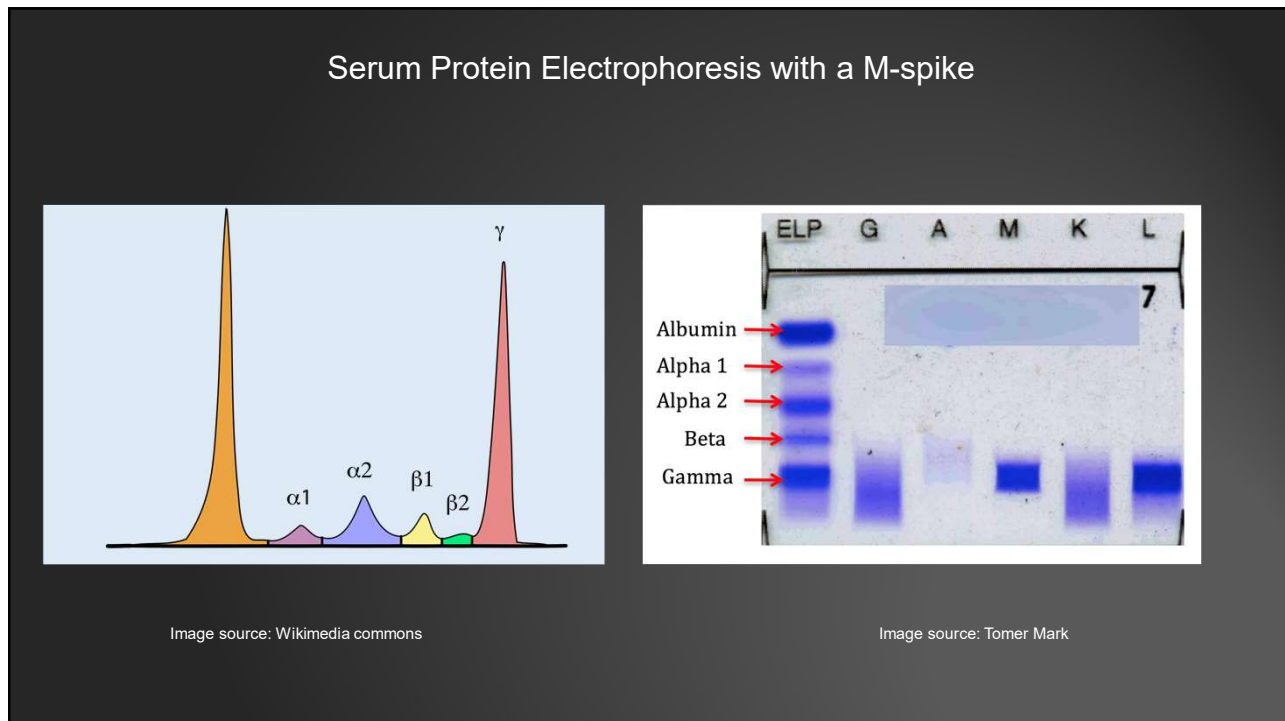


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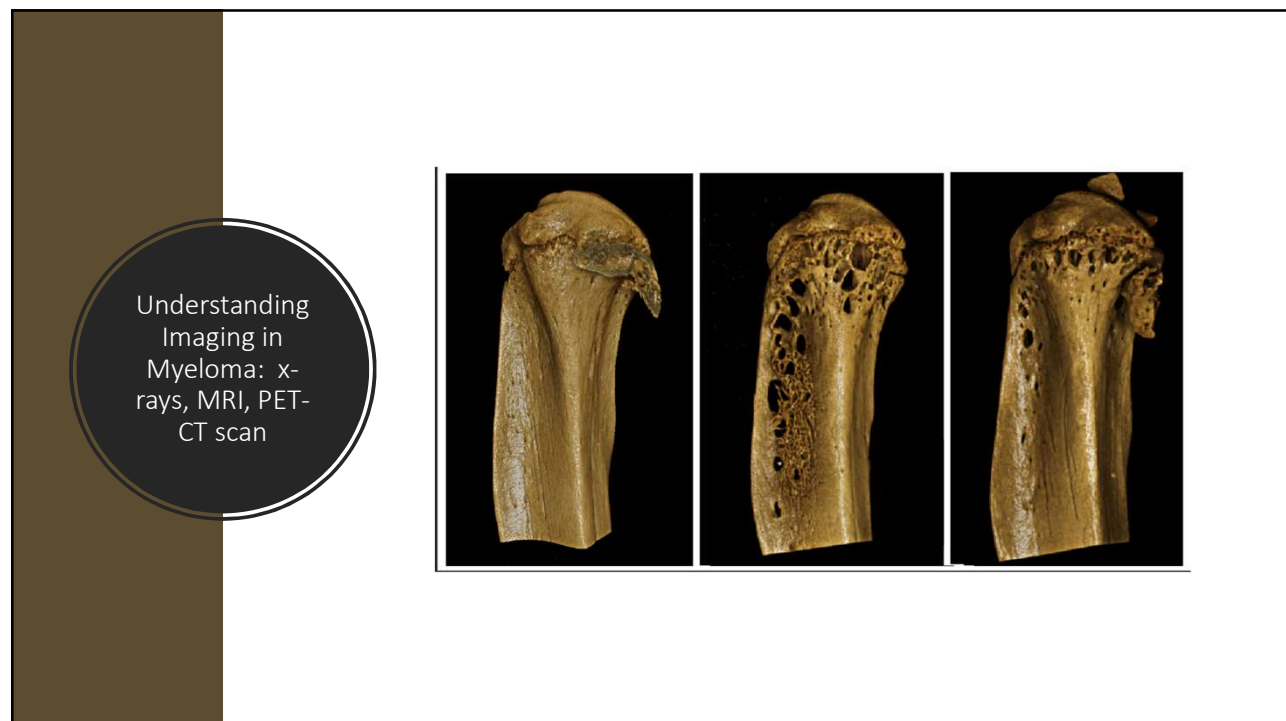


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## How often to do testing?

- Serum protein electrophoresis and immunofixation, Immunoglobulins, CBC, CMP, Free light chains: monthly
- Urine protein electrophoresis and immunofixation : At diagnosis and then varies per patient
- Radiology Imaging: At diagnosis, when clinically indicated, to confirm complete remission.
- Bone marrow biopsy:
  - At diagnosis
  - At relapse
  - To confirm complete remission

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## Example Myeloma Imaging: X-Ray

Moth-eaten appearance of right humerus

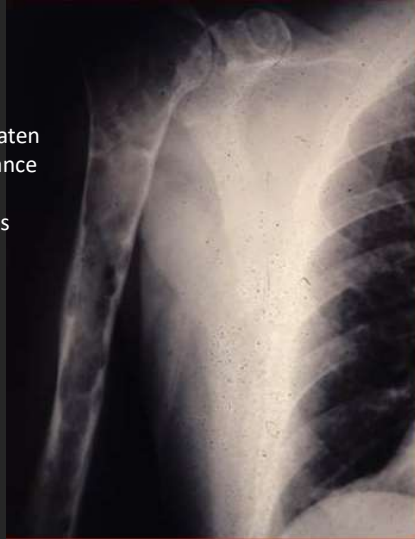


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- Skeletal survey: x-rays of all long bones, pelvis, spine, and skull.
- Quick, easy, but low sensitivity.
- Not very useful to follow disease course

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## Example Myeloma Imaging: MRI



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Coronal T2-weighted MRI with plasmacytoma in the L3 vertebral body (large arrowhead)  
And also a compression fracture of L5 with epidural extension of tumor (small arrow)

- MRI: very sensitive to detect marrow changes; can detect lesions before fractures occur
- Uncomfortable, claustrophobia
- No one has a normal spine

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## Example Myeloma imaging: PET-CT



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- PET/CT: most sensitivity, quick, results correlate with tumor activity
- Radiation: equal to about 30 x-rays
- TOO sensitive

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## Prognostic Biomarkers

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## Multiple Myeloma Is a Classification and Prognostic Challenge

Tumor biology factors <sup>1</sup>	Tumor burden factors <sup>1,2</sup>	Patient-related factors <sup>1,3</sup>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chromosomal abnormalities (eg, ploidy status, deletion 13 on conventional cytogenetic testing)</li> <li>Lactate dehydrogenase</li> <li>Plasma cell proliferative rate</li> <li>Presentation as plasma cell leukemia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Durie-Salmon stage</li> <li>International Staging System stage (ISS)</li> <li>Revised-ISS stage</li> <li>Extramedullary disease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Age</li> <li>Performance status/frailty</li> <li>Renal function</li> </ul>

1. Mikhael JR, et al. *Mayo Clin Proc.* 2013;88(4):360-376. 2. Palumbo A, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2015;33(26):2863-2896.  
3. Palumbo A, et al. *Blood.* 2015;125(13):2068-2077.

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## Several Prognostic Factors Have Been Identified in MM

### Select Negative Prognostic Factors

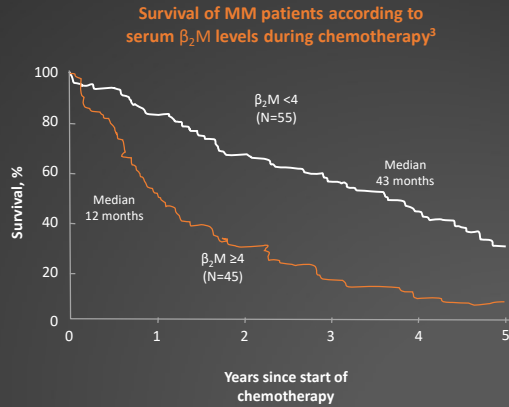
Prognostic Factors	Findings
$\beta_2$ -microglobulin <sup>1</sup>	↑ levels associated with decreased survival
Albumin <sup>2</sup>	↓ levels correlate with decreased survival
Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) <sup>1</sup>	↑ levels associated with decreased survival
Ig isotype <sup>3</sup>	IgA associated with decreased survival
Plasma cell labeling index (PCLI) <sup>1</sup>	↑ levels associated with decreased survival
Bone marrow plasmacytosis <sup>4</sup>	↑ level (>20%) associated with decreased survival
Chromosome abnormalities <sup>5</sup>	High-risk abnormalities associated with decreased survival

1. Kyle RA. *Stem Cells.* 1995;13(suppl 2):56-63. 2. Greipp PR, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2005;23(15):3412-3420. 3. Munshi NC, et al. Plasma cell neoplasms. In: DeVita VT, et al, eds. *Cancer: Principles & Practice of Oncology.* 7th ed. 2005:2155-2188. 4. Smadja NV, et al. *Blood.* 2001;98(7):2229-2238. 5. Fonseca R, et al. *Cancer Res.* 2004;64(4):1546-1558.

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# Correlation of $\beta_2$ -Microglobulin ( $\beta_2$ M) Levels With Survival

- $\beta_2$ M levels<sup>1-3</sup>
  - Correlate with myeloma stage, disease status, and survival<sup>1-3</sup>
  - May be a product of myeloma cells and can be used as a tumor marker to predict disease course<sup>2,3</sup>
- $\beta_2$ M levels are valuable at diagnosis<sup>1-4</sup>
  - Component of the International Staging System (ISS) and revised International Staging System (R-ISS)<sup>1,2</sup>
    - Stage I:  $\beta_2$ M <3.5 mg/L
    - Stage III:  $\beta_2$ M  $\geq$ 5.5 mg/L
  - Patients with  $\beta_2$ M  $\geq$ 4 mg/L had shorter survival than those with  $\beta_2$ M <4 mg/L (see figure)<sup>3</sup>
  - Elevated  $\beta_2$ M levels have prognostic value in patients with renal failure, even with increased  $\beta_2$ M levels due to renal insufficiency<sup>4</sup>



100 patients with MM were studied just prior to initial chemotherapy and were followed for at least 3.5 years. Serum samples were retrieved retrospectively from a serum bank.  
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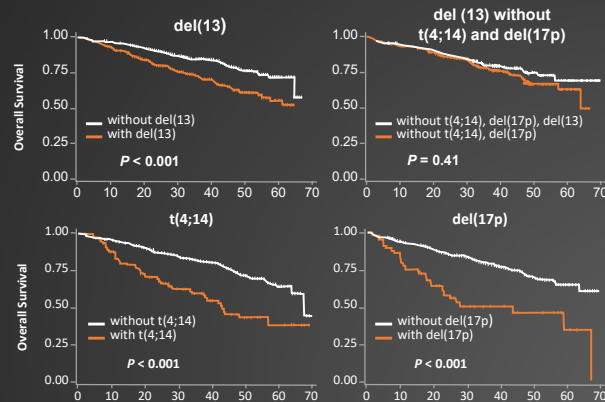
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# Chromosomal Abnormalities Are Prognostic of Survival

## Impact of Chromosomal Abnormalities on Overall Survival (OS)<sup>1</sup>



The prognostic value of del(13) as detected by FISH is almost entirely dependent on the frequent association with t(4;14) and del(17p).  
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- If del(13) is not associated with t(4;14) and del(17p), it has little or no prognostic value
- Del(13) was frequently associated with t(4;14) and del(17p), occurring in 85% ( $P < 0.001$ ) of t(4;14)-positive and 78% ( $P < 0.001$ ) of del(17p)-positive patients

FISH, fluorescence in situ hybridization.

Avet-Loiseau H, et al. *Blood*. 2007;10(9):3489-3495.

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## Revised International Staging System for Multiple Myeloma Incorporated Additional Prognostic Factors

Stage	Revised International Staging System (R-ISS)	Median Survival
I	ISS stage I and standard-risk CA by iFISH and normal LDH	Not reached
II	Not R-ISS stage I or III	83 months
III	ISS stage III and either high-risk CA by iFISH or high LDH	43 months

Stage	International Staging System (ISS)	Risk	CA by iFISH	Level	LDH
I	Serum $\beta_2$ -microglobulin <3.5 mg/L Serum albumin $\geq$ 3.5 g/dL	Standard risk	No high-risk CA	Normal	Serum LDH < the upper limit of normal
II	Neither stage I nor stage III				
III	Serum $\beta_2$ -microglobulin $\geq$ 5.5 mg/L	High risk	Presence of del(17p) and/or translocation t(4;14) and/or translocation t(14;16)	High	Serum LDH > the upper limit of normal

CA = chromosomal abnormalities; iFISH = interphase fluorescent in situ hybridization; LDH = lactate dehydrogenase.

Palumbo A, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2015;33(26):2863-2869.

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## Disease Course in Multiple Myeloma

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# Multiple Myeloma Is Characterized by Periods of Relapse and Remission

Natural History of Multiple Myeloma<sup>1</sup>

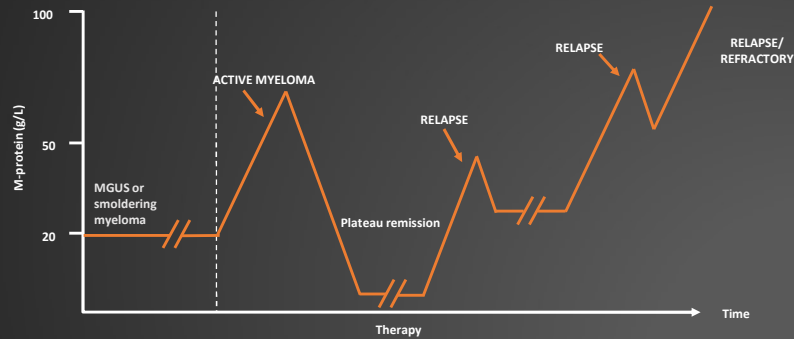
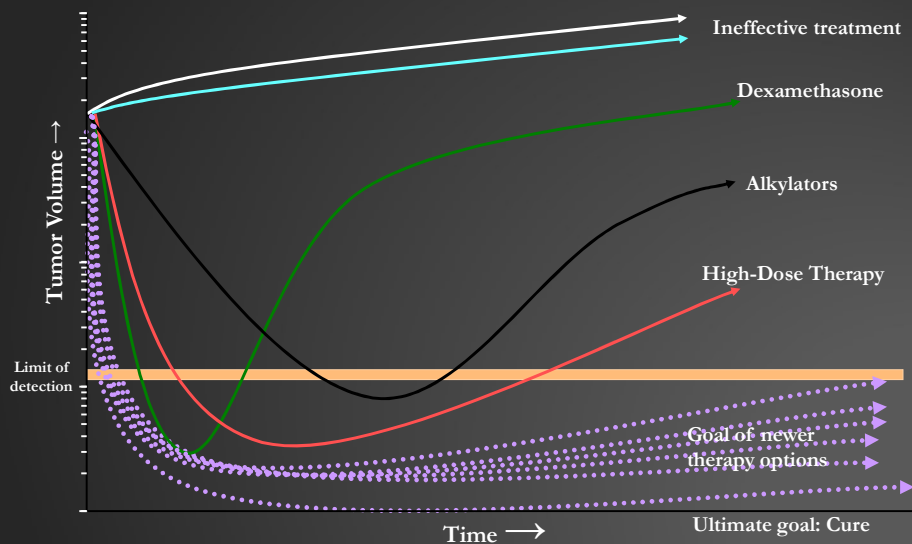


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 MGUS = monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance.

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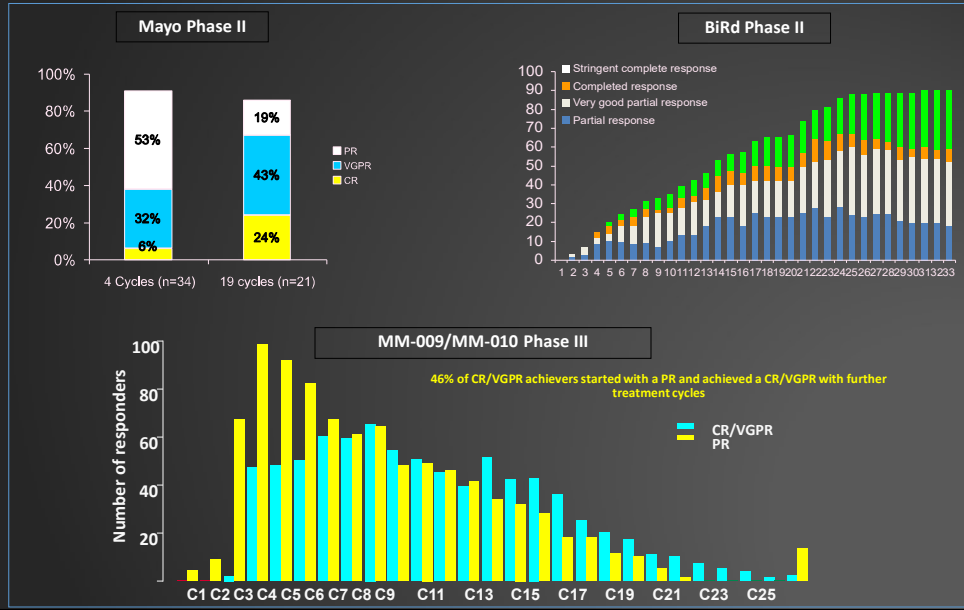
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## Pathway to cure – one hypothesis



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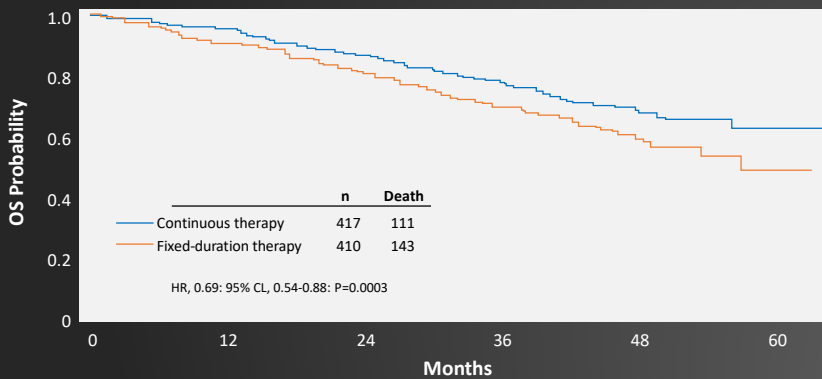
# Responses Deepen with Length of Therapy



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# The Importance of Continuous Therapy<sup>1</sup>

Continuous therapy may be associated with significant improvement in patient outcomes<sup>1</sup>

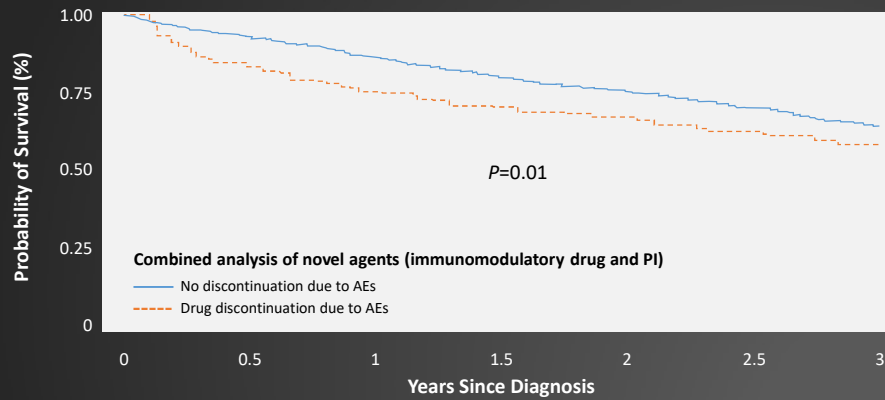


Pooled analysis of 3 phase 3 trials analyzing continuous therapy vs fixed-duration therapy in 1218 patients with newly diagnosed multiple myeloma. Primary endpoints were PFS1, PFS2, and OS. Median follow-up was 52 months.

OS=overall survival.  
Reference: 1. Palumbo, A. et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2015; 33:3459-3466.

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## Treatment Discontinuation Can Adversely Impact Outcomes<sup>1</sup>



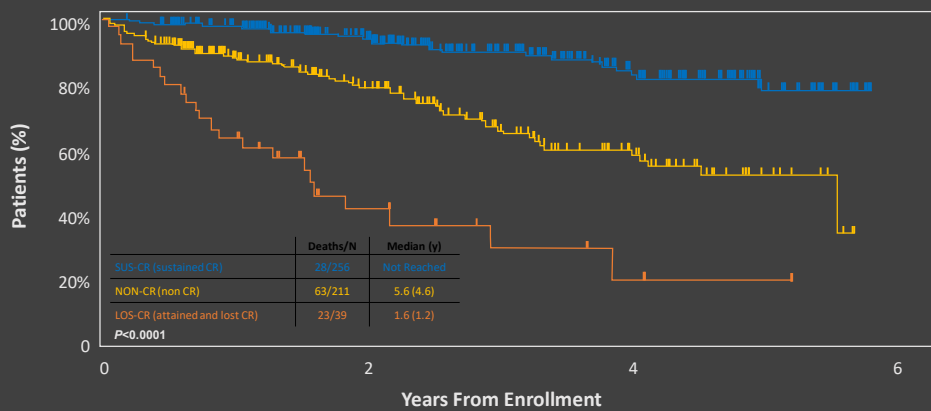
- Drug discontinuation due to AEs was correlated with increased risk of death within the first 6 months (HR: 1.67; 95% CI, 1.12-2.51;  $P=0.01$ )

AE = adverse event; CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio.  
Reference: 1. Brinchen S et al. *Haematologica*. 2013;98(6):980-987.

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## The importance of maintaining a deep response<sup>1</sup>

Durable responses are associated with improved outcomes<sup>1</sup>



CR=complete remission; SUS-CR = sustained CR; NON-CR = did not achieve CR; LOS-CR = attained and lost CR status.

Reference: 1. Barlogie et al. *Cancer*. 2008;113:355-359.

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## How do I know how I am doing?

- We can measure the myeloma directly through bone marrow biopsy....
- We can use the protein secreted by the malignant plasma cell to follow disease activity. Paraprotein  $\approx$  tumor burden.
- Different paraproteins:
  - **M-spike**: i.e. IgG-lambda, IgA-kappa. Most common. Follow by SPEP.
  - **Free light chains**: present in serum or urine. When in urine, called Bence Jones Protein.
  - **Plasmacytomas**: size of masses, used when the myeloma is NONsecretory.
- Achievement of deeper response generally leads to improved remission time and overall survival.

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## MM Response Criteria are complicated

Stringent Complete Response (sCR) requires all of the following:

- All of the criteria of complete response plus
- Normal serum free light chain ratio
- Absence of monoclonal cells on bone marrow aspirate by IHC of IF

Complete Response (CR) requires all of the following:

- Absence of M-protein in the serum and urine by IFE. The presence of oligoclonal bands consistent with oligoclonal immune reconstitution does not exclude CR. (\* post-transplant)
- <5% plasma cells in bone marrow aspirate

Very Good Partial Response (VGPR) requires all of the following:

- All of the criteria of complete response plus
- Normal serum free light chain ratio
- Absence of monoclonal cells on bone marrow aspirate by IHC of IF

Partial Response (PR) requires all of the following:

- >50% reduction in the level of the serum monoclonal paraprotein
- Reduction in 24 hour urine light chain excretion by >90% or to < 200mg
- > 50% reduction in size of soft tissue plasmacytoma (by radiography or physical examination)

Stable Disease (SD) requires all of the following:

- Not meeting the above criteria nor the criteria for progression of disease

Durie et al. *Leukemia*. 2006. 20,1467-1473

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## Examples of Follow Labs for Response: M-spike (M-protein)

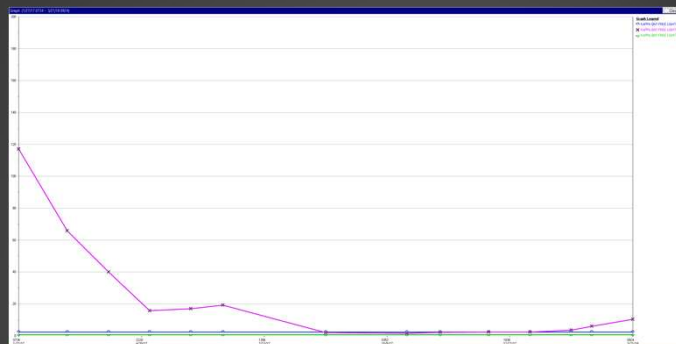
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SPEP MONOCLONAL PROTEIN		
Ref. Range	Latest Ref Range: None Detected g/dL	
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7/21/2017 1136		1.1 ▲
8/11/2017 0857		0.9 ▲
9/8/2017 0834		0.5 ▲
10/6/2017 0857		0.4 ▲
11/3/2017 1318		0.3 ▲
12/1/2017 1258		0.2 ▲
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## Examples of Follow Labs for Response: serum free light chains

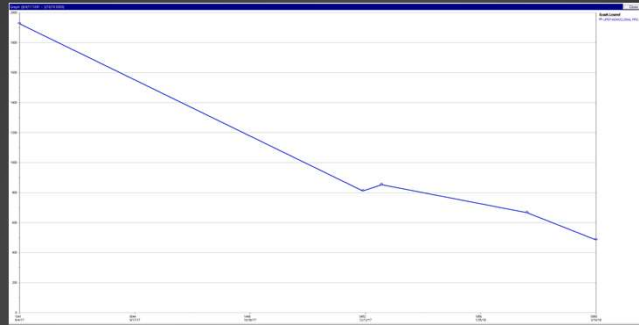
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KAPPA QNT FREE LIGHT CHAINS		
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3/1/2017 0842		65.80 ▲
3/29/2017 1111		39.90 ▲
4/26/2017 1114		15.70 ▲
5/24/2017 1051		17.00 ▲
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## Examples of Follow Labs for Response: Bence Jones Protein: urine free light chains

Flowsheet	
UPEP MONOCLONAL PROTEIN	
Ref. Range	Latest Ref Range: None Detected mg/Day
8/4/2017 1041	1,926 ▲
12/12/2017 0600	812 ▲
12/19/2017 0826	854 ▲
2/12/2018 0800	667 ▲
3/10/2018 0900	485 *▲



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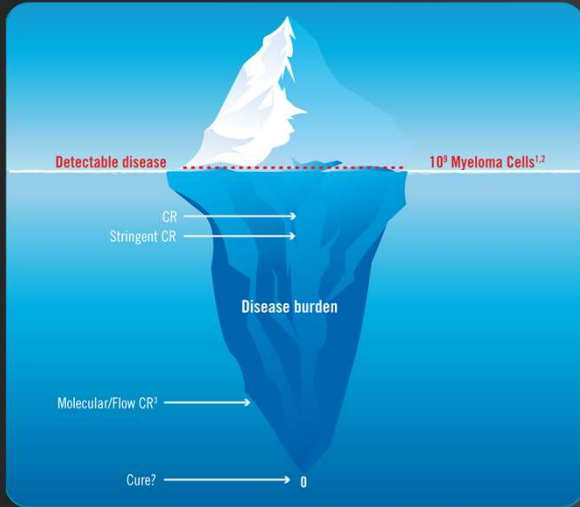
## Responses now are deeper than we can find in blood and urine:

IMWG Criteria for Minimal Residual Disease (MRD)			
Sustained MRD-negative	Flow MRD-negative	Sequencing MRD-negative	Imaging Plus MRD-negative
MRD negativity in the marrow NGF, NGS, or both, and by imaging as defined below, confirmed minimum of 1 year apart. Subsequent evaluations can be used to further specify the duration of negativity (eg, MRD-negative at 5 years).	Absence of phenotypically aberrant clonal plasma cells by NGF on bone marrow aspirates using the EuroFlow standard operation procedure for MRD detection in multiple myeloma (or validated equivalent method) with a minimum sensitivity of 1 in 10 <sup>5</sup> nucleated cells or higher.	Absence of clonal plasma cells by NGS on bone marrow aspirate in which presence of a clone is defined as less than two identical sequencing reads obtained after DNA sequencing of bone marrow aspirates using a validated equivalent method with a minimum sensitivity of 1 in 10 <sup>5</sup> nucleated cells or higher.	MRD negativity as defined by NGF or NGS plus disappearance of every area of increased tracer uptake found at baseline or preceding PET/CT or decrease to less mediastinal blood pool SUV or decrease to less than that of surrounding normal tissue.

CT, computed tomography; IMWG, International Myeloma Working Group; NGF, next-generation flow; NGS, next-generation sequencing; PET, positron emission tomography; SUV, standard uptake value

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## Achievement of Complete Response Does Not Eliminate All Myeloma Clones



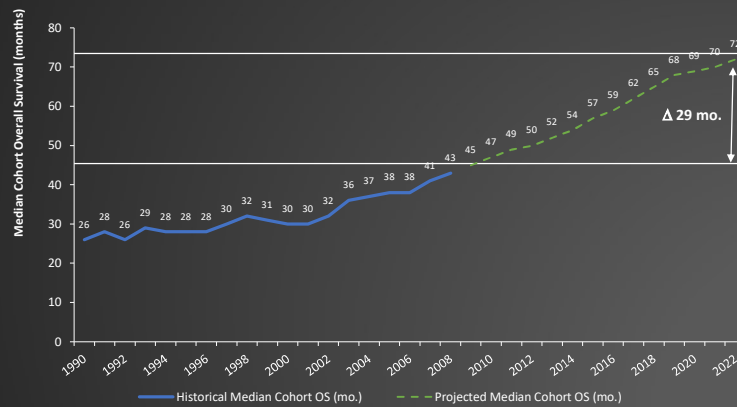
Median OS increases by ~1 year for each log reduction in MRD<sup>3</sup>:

- MRD > 10%: 1 yr
- MRD 1-10%: 4 yr
- MRD 0.1-1%: 5.9 yr
- MRD 0.01 – 0.1%: 6.8 yr
- MRD < 0.01%: > 7.5 yrs

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## Common patient and caregiver questions

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### Should I take any supplements?

- OK to take calcium 500-1500mg/day + vitamin D 1000-2000 i.u./d
- OK to take a centrum silver (or similar multivitamin) daily
- AVOID:
  - Antioxidants: Green tea, acai berries, etc.
  - Excess vitamin C (extra supplements; vit C in food is ok).
- Best supplement is water:
  - Adequate hydration flushes chemotherapy and excess light chains through the kidneys

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## Are there any medications to avoid?

- Never take NSAIDS:
  - Ibuprofen, alleve, motrin, advil, naproxen, etc... → can lead to kidney damage
- Avoid IV contrast (iodine) for CT scan:
  - Can also cause kidney damage
  - Includes CT angiograms
  - MRI / PET-CT generally ok
- Ask your myeloma doctor about safety before starting IV antibiotics:
  - Certain antibiotics that are IV (like gentamycin) can also lead to renal failure in multiple myeloma

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## Are there any lifestyle changes that I should make?

- Try to get 20 minutes of cardiovascular exercise most days of the week
  - Reduces inflammation in the body
  - Better control of blood sugar
  - Get rid of excess weight
  - Tolerate chemo better
- Take care of your teeth!
  - See the dentist regularly to avoid osteonecrosis of the jaw

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## Things to ask your doctor:

- **Define:** What type of myeloma do I have?
- **Action Plan:** What treatment is best for me? How are we going to follow my response to treatment? How are we going to maintain my response?
- **Review Progress:** What is my response now? i.e. What is my M-spike and free light chain level?

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Thank you!

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**QUESTION & ANSWER***Understanding Myeloma*PAGE **53****■ Ask a question by phone:**

Press star (\*) then the number 1 on your keypad.

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Click "Ask a question"

Type your question

Click "Submit"

Due to time constraints, we can only take one question per person. Once you've asked your question, the operator will transfer you back into the audience line.

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- **Free Nutrition Consults**  
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Questions to ask the treatment team: [www.LLS.org/whattoask](http://www.LLS.org/whattoask)
  
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