

Plasma cell Disorders

From MGUS to multiple myeloma

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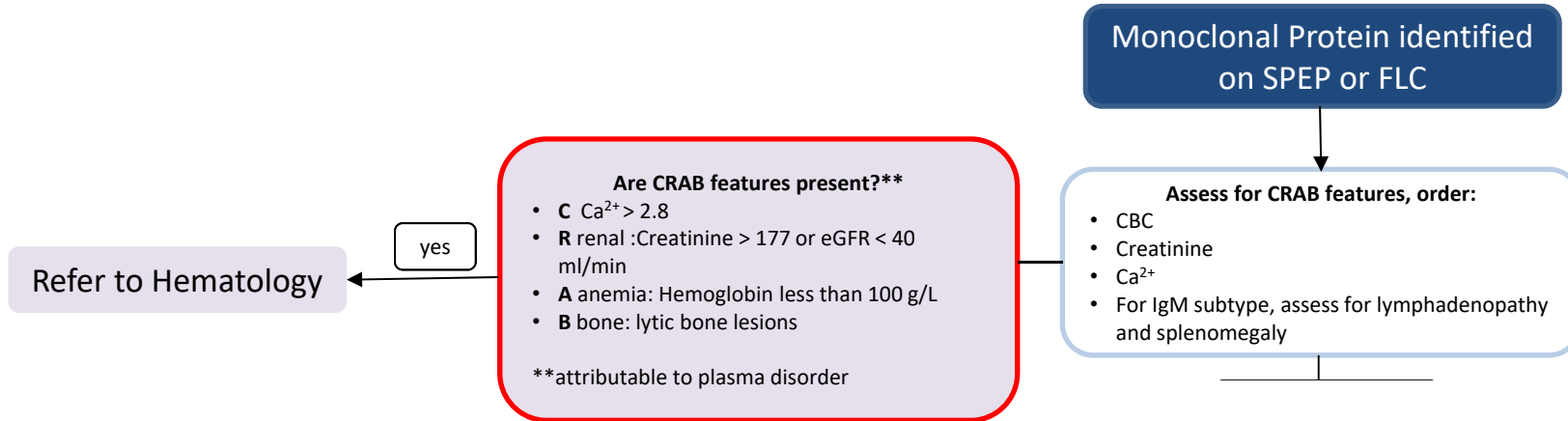
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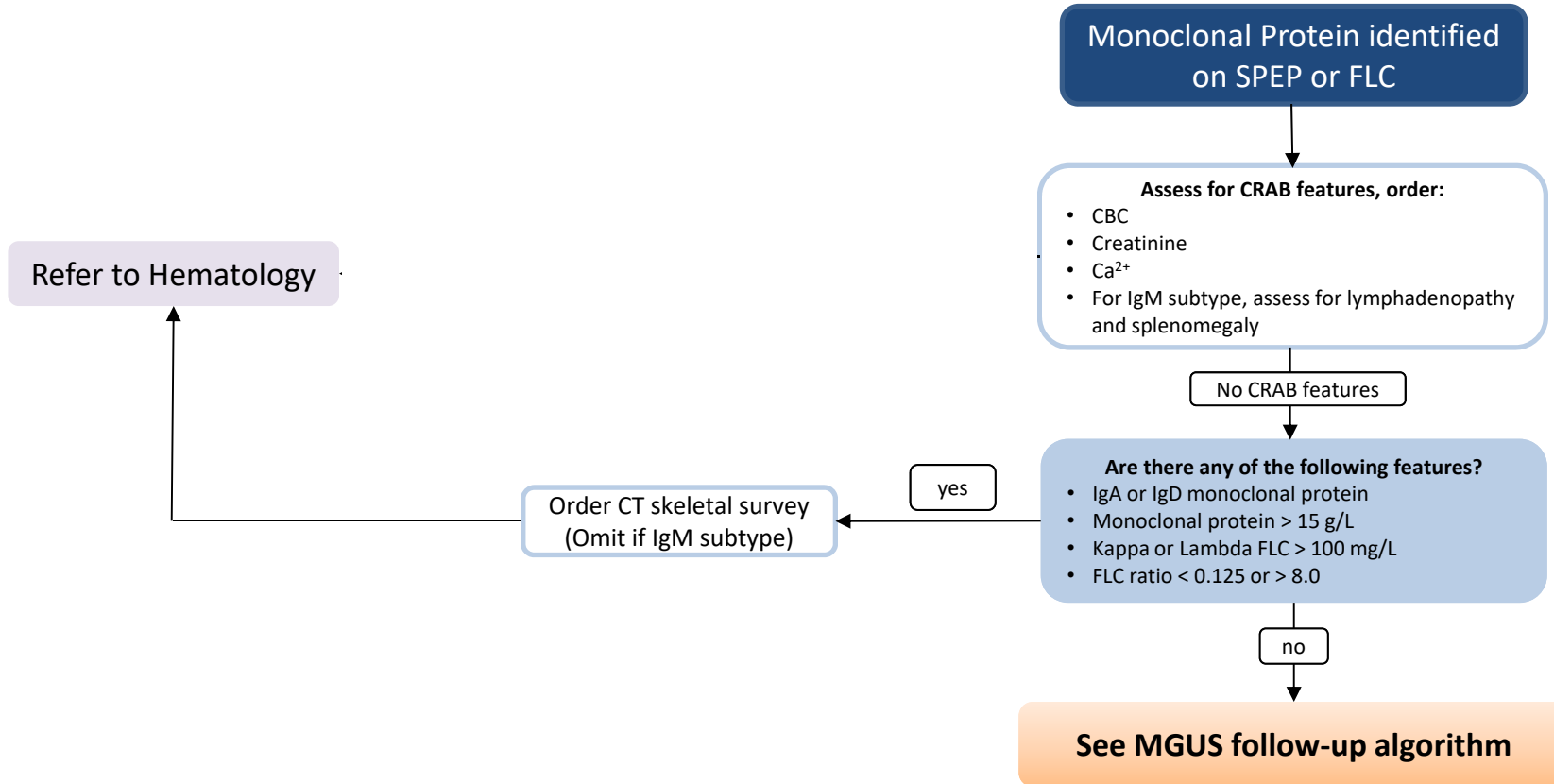
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Learning Objectives

1. Distinguish MGUS from multiple myeloma
2. Understand the overall prognosis and management of patients with multiple myeloma



Priority	Examples	Goal/Time line
Emergent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bony involvement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spinal cord compromise • Unstable lesion with risk for pathological fracture • Pain (plasmacytoma/lytic lesion) • Laboratory involvement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypercalcemia (>3mmol/L) • Acute renal failure (needs serial creatinine values) • Anemia is <u>not</u> considered Emergent as symptoms can be readily supported with transfusion (<i>but please let us know if transfusion has been arranged</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Same day phone advice (Referral to surgery or radiation oncology) ▪ Empiric treatment (bisphosphonate, steroid) ▪ Further investigations with CT/MRI/Renal US or Blood/Urine tests ▪ Clinic <1 week ▪ May need to be hospitalized
Urgent	All symptomatic or suspected myeloma that does not meet criteria for “emergent” as above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To clinic in 2 weeks
Routine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asymptomatic (smoldering) myeloma • MGUS and query myeloma? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To clinic within 4 weeks (or when results available)



MGUS is common

- 3% of general population >50 years old (increases with age)
- ~50% are low-risk
- 3 types of MGUS with variable risk of progression
 1. IgM MGUS (15%)
 2. Light chain MGUS
 3. Non-IgM MGUS (80%)
- Harms of testing?
 - ~40% of patients with MGUS have anxiety, stress or fear related to diagnosis
 - Cost of follow-up – 100 million annually in the US alone

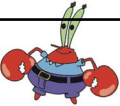
Disorders associated with M protein

Plasma cell disorders

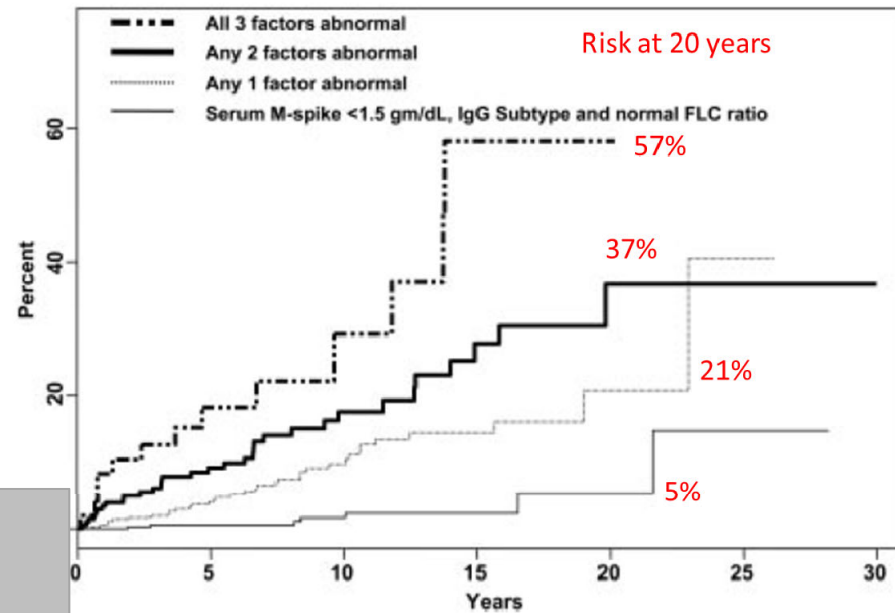
- MGUS
- Smoldering Myeloma
- Multiple Myeloma
- AL amyloidosis
- POEMS syndrome
- Light or heavy chain deposition disease

B-cell disorders

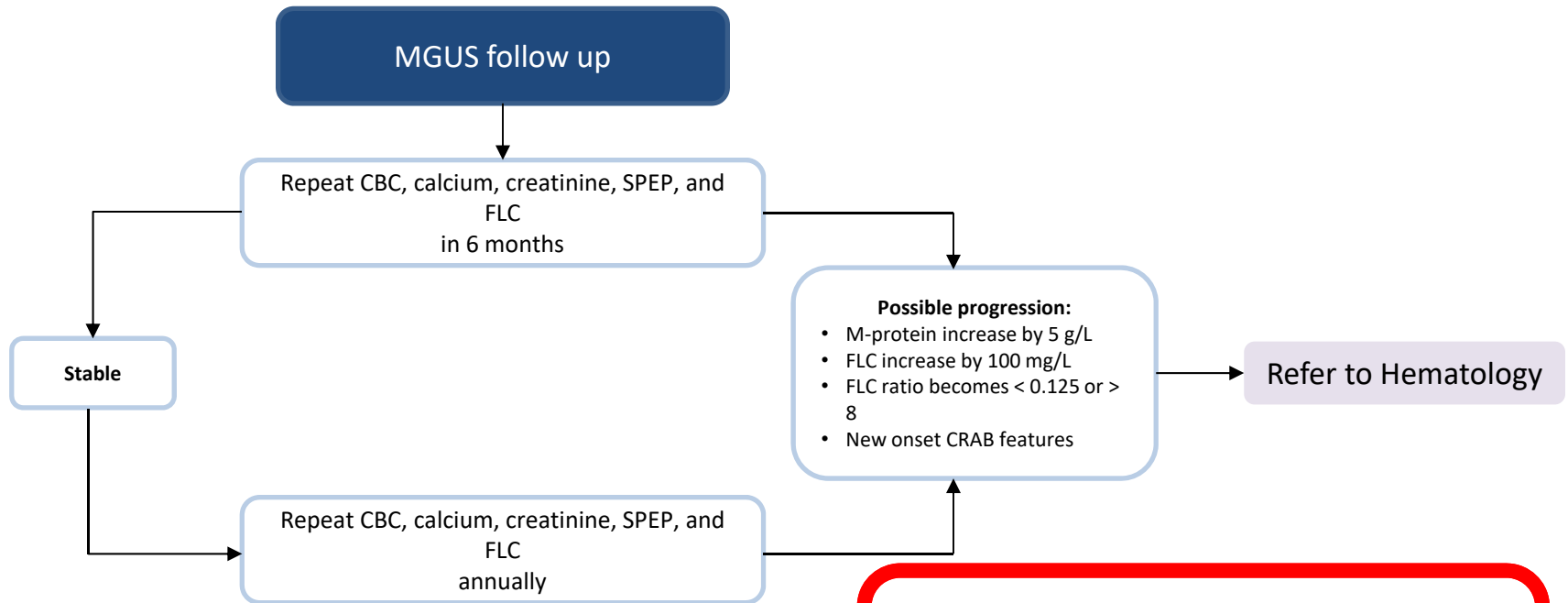
- Waldenstroms macroglobulinemia/lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma
- Chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)/small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL)
- Marginal zone lymphoma

Monoclonal Gammopathy of Undetermined Significance (MGUS)	Smoldering Multiple Myeloma	Multiple Myeloma
M protein in serum <30g/l <u>and</u>	M protein >30g/l <u>and / or</u>	Any level of M protein (none in non-secretory) <u>and</u>
Clonal Bone Marrow Plasma Cells <10% <u>and</u>	Clonal plasma cells >10% <u>and</u>	Clonal plasma cells >10% <u>and</u>
No myeloma related <u>“CRAB”</u>	No myeloma related <u>“CRAB”</u>	Myeloma related <u>“CRAB”</u>
No evidence of other B cell LPD or light chain associated Amyloidosis or other tissue damage		<u>Or: “SLiM” criteria</u> 1. BM plasma cells >60% 2. FLCR >100 or <0.01 3. >1 focal lesion on MRI

What does it mean to have MGUS?



- 3 adverse risk factors:
1. M band > 15 g/L
 2. Non – IgG subtype (IgA, IgM, IgD)
 3. Abnormal FLCI ratio (<0.26 or >1.65)



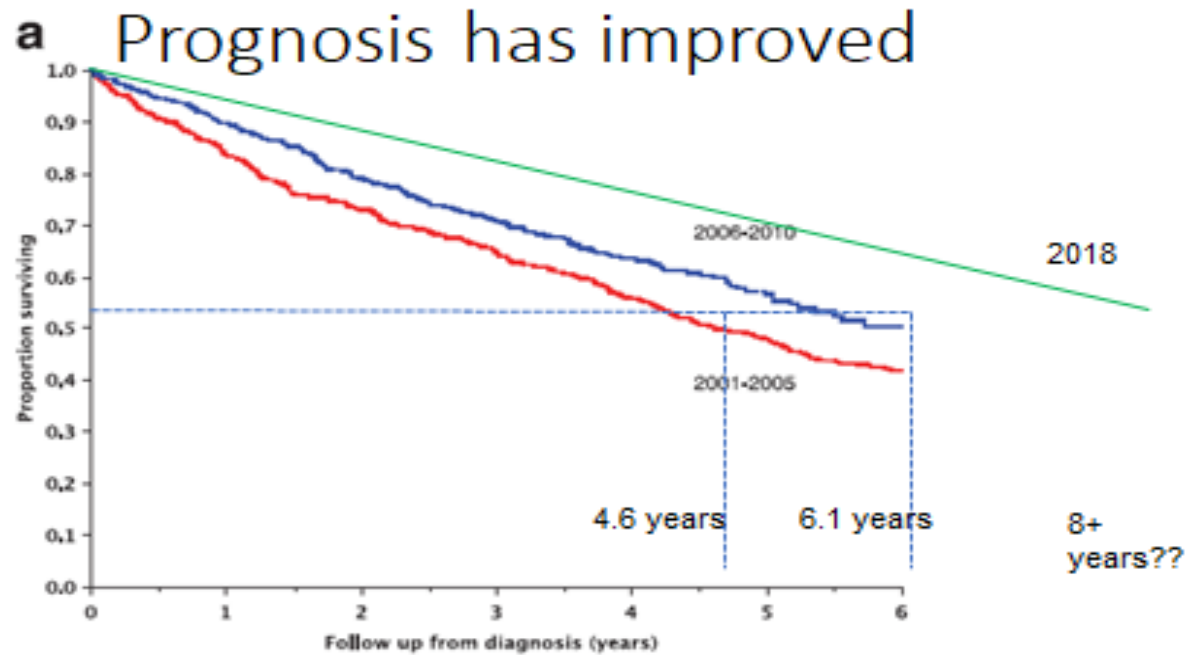
ANNUAL RISK OF PROGRESSION FOR MGUS SUBTYPES

Pathways are subject to clinical judgment. Patterns may not always follow the pathway.

MGUS Subtype	Risk	Associated disorders
IgM MGUS	1% per year	Waldenstroms macroglobulinemia
Non-IgM MGUS	0.5% per year	Multiple myeloma, plasmacytoma, amyloidosis
Light chain MGUS	0.3% per year	Light chain myeloma, amyloidosis
Low risk MGUS (IgG, <15 g/L, normal FLC)	2% lifetime risk	

What is multiple myeloma?

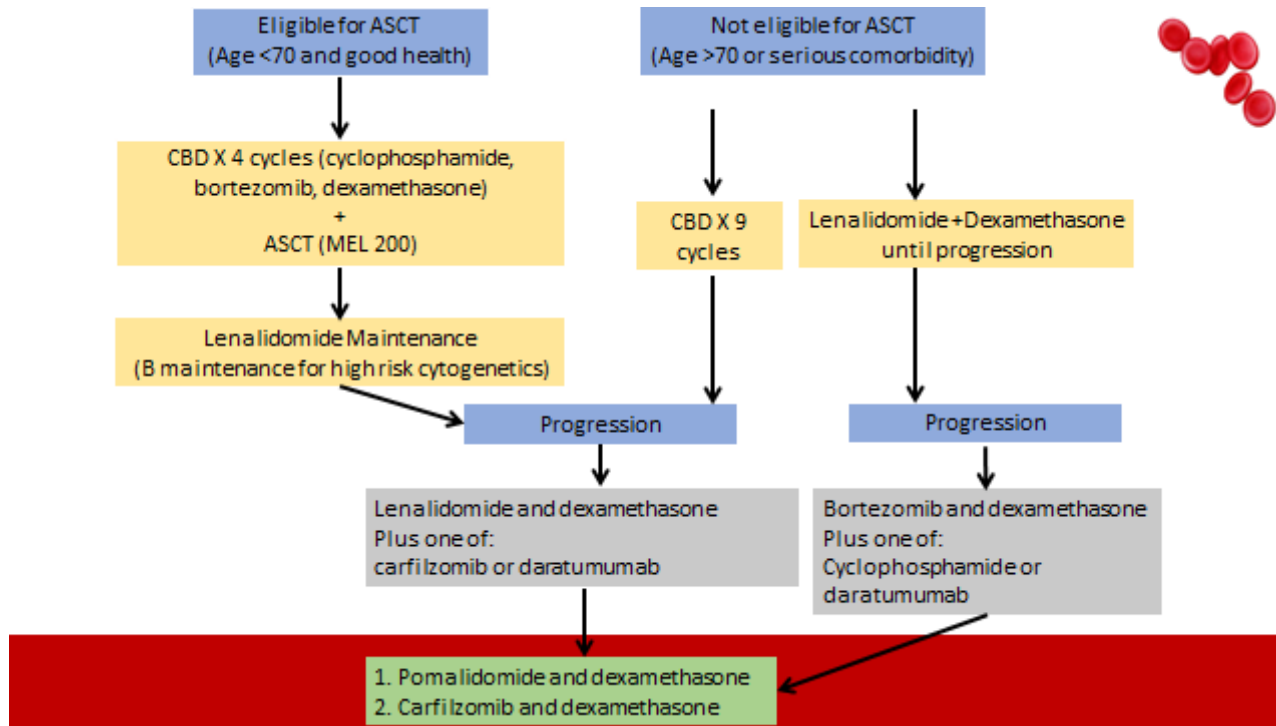
- 1% of all cancers and 15% of hematologic malignancies
 - ~2,700 new cases in Canada in 2015
 - (estimated 80 new cases per year in Manitoba)
 - Prevalence of ~7,500 across Canada
- Median age at diagnosis of 69 years
- Incurable malignancy characterized by multiple relapse
- Risk factors: first degree relative with MM, nuclear radiation exposure, occupational exposure to petroleum and pesticides



- Mayo clinic study of 1038 patients diagnosed with myeloma between 2001 and 2010 with a median follow up of 5.9 years
- Current estimated OS is 6-8 years

Kumar et al. Leukemia 2014;1122-28

Treatment for multiple myeloma



Supportive care for patients with myeloma

- Bone disease:
 - pain control (analgesia/radiation/surgical stabilization)
 - bisphosphonate (also treat hypercalcemia)
- Renal insufficiency: avoid nephrotoxins, good hydration
- Low counts (Hb, platelet) – transfusion support
- Venous thromboembolism (ASA or LMWH or DOAC)
- Infection: yearly influenza + consider recombinant VZV vaccine
- Screening for:
 - Neuropathy
 - Hypothyroidism
 - Hyperglycemia
 - Secondary malignancies: skin, GI, hematologic, Gyne/GU, breast, lung, thyroid

Take home messages

- MGUS and multiple myeloma are on the same spectrum of plasma cell disorders
- Patients with MGUS can be monitored and do not require treatment unless progressive into multiple myeloma
- Overall prognosis of multiple myeloma has improved but it is still an incurable malignancy that requires long term management