

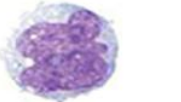
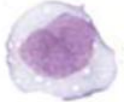

# AML met monocyttaire uitrijping

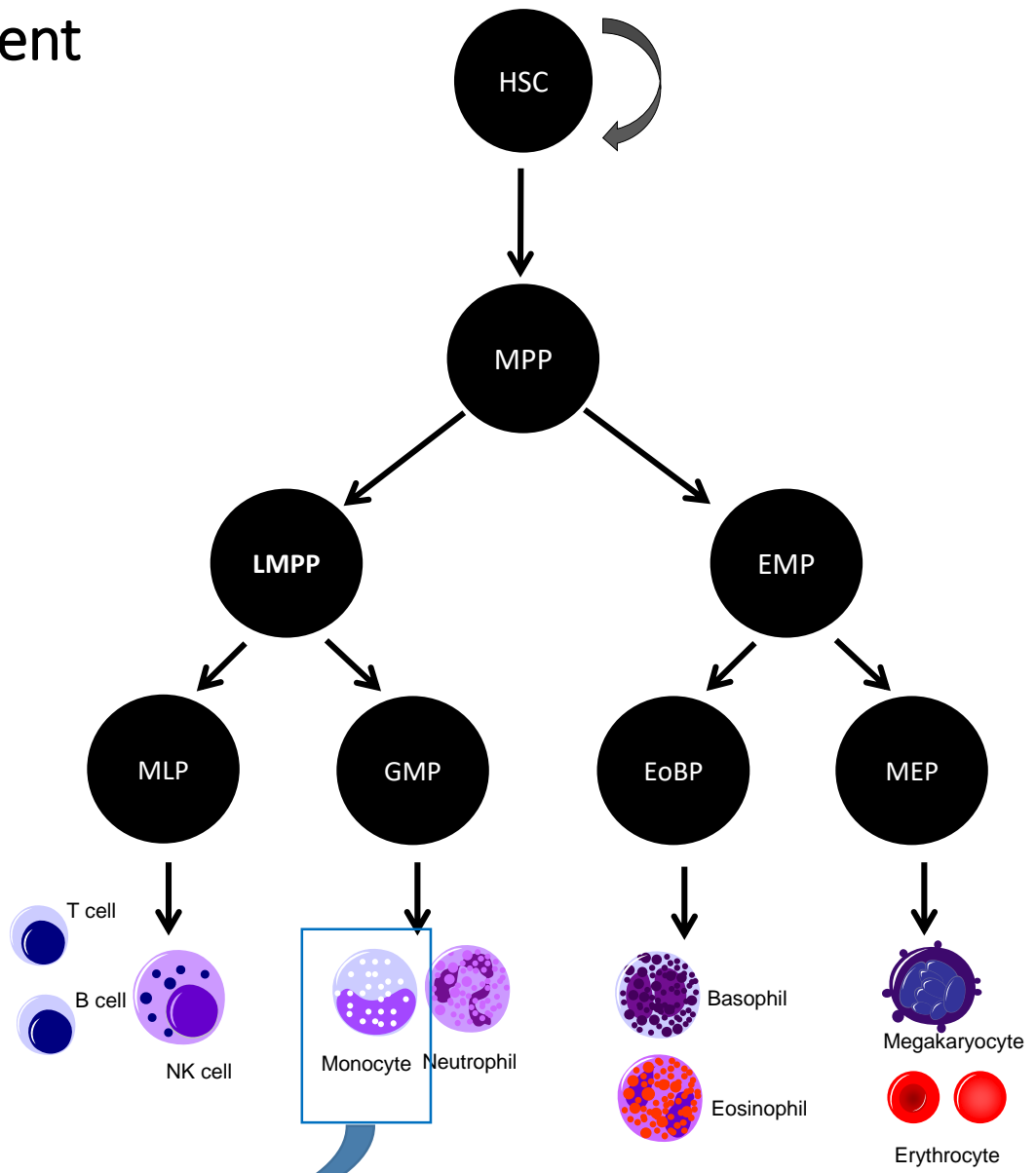
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# Normal monocytic development

- Monoblasts 
  - Promonocytes 
  - Monocytes 
- Macrophages  
→ Dendritic cells



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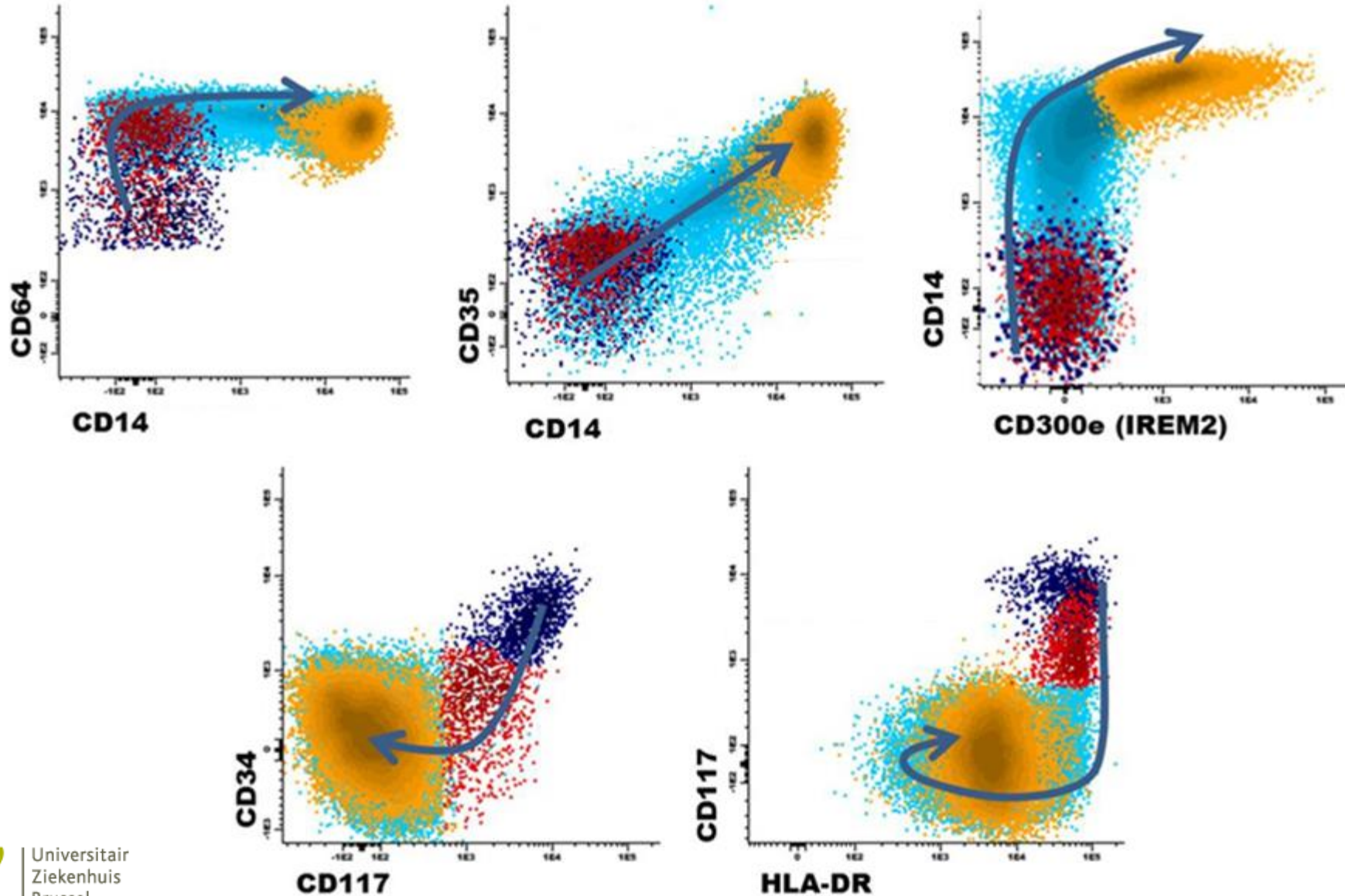
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CD36	-	++	+++
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Immunohenotypic changes

~ maturation

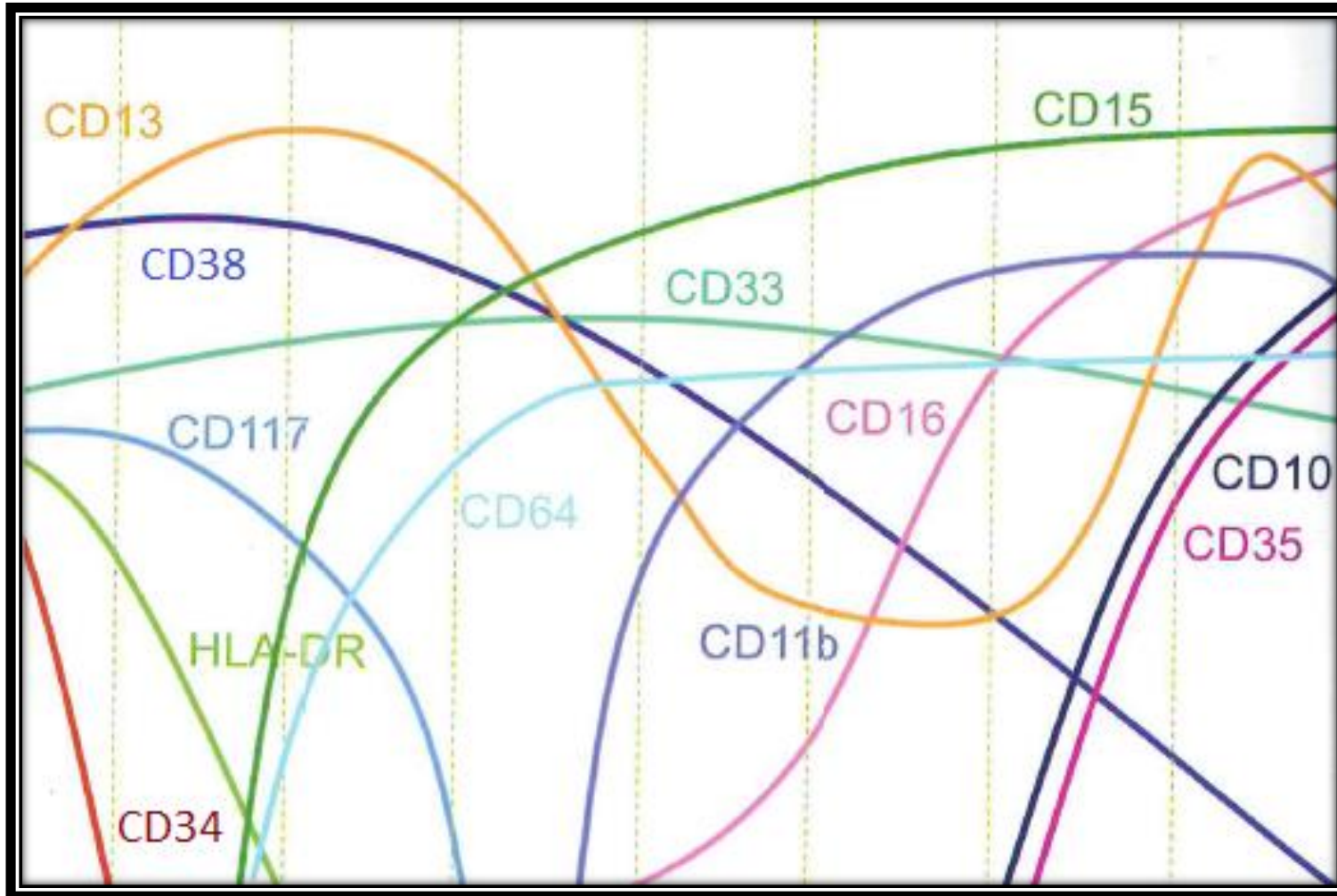
~ activation

# Normal monocytic development



- Mature monocytes
- Promonocytes
- Monocytic precursors incl. monoblasts

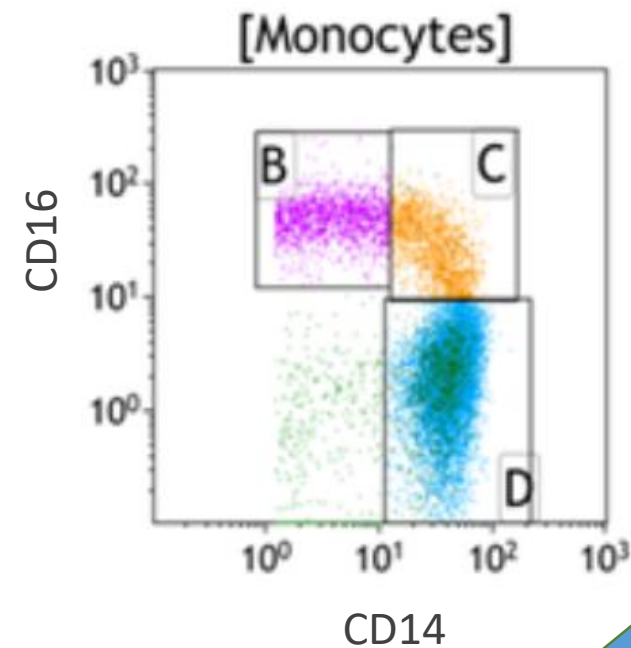
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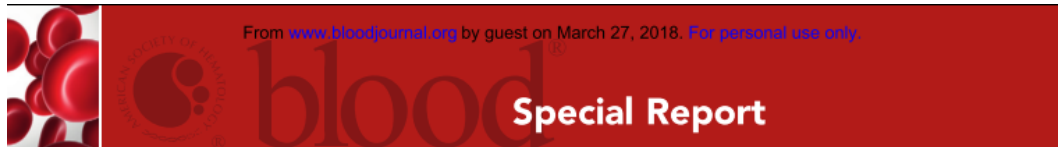
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- **3 groups** circulating PB mature monocytic cells
  1. CD14<sup>+</sup>/CD16<sup>-</sup> (classical, 80-85%): cMo
  2. CD14<sup>+</sup>/CD16<sup>+</sup> (intermediate, <15%): iMo
  3. CD14<sup>lo</sup>/CD16<sup>+</sup> (non-classical, <15%): ncMo



# Acute myeloid leukemia with monocytosis

- AML NOS subcategories
  - M4: blasts (incl. promonocytes)  $\geq 20\%$ , monocytic cells  $\geq 20\%$  and myeloid (precursors)  $\geq 20\%$
  - M5: blasts (incl. promonocytes)  $\geq 20\%$ , monocytic cells  $\geq 80\%$  and myeloid (precursors)  $< 20\%$
- FCM MRD assessment
  - Establishment of Leukemia-Associated ImmunoPhenotypes (LAIPs)
  - The different-from-normal (DfN) approach



## Minimal/measurable residual disease in AML: a consensus document from the European LeukemiaNet MRD Working Party

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- Unexpected immunophenotypic changes
  - Neoplastic origin
  - Technical artifacts
  - Regeneration
  - Activation



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*CD56 may be aberrantly expressed on neoplastic cells, but is not specific and may be seen in reactive settings*



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*Some anti-CD14 clones only recognize mature monocytic cells, while others recognize promonocytes and mature monocytes.*

*Neoplastic monoblasts or promonocytes may not always be CD14 negative  
!correlation with morphology*

*ncMo have decreased expression of CD14 should not be confused with immature monocytic cells.*

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*Activation influences the level of CD15 and HLA-DR expression*

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*Asynchronous monocytic maturation (IREM2 expression preceding CD14 and/or CD35) is observed in NPM1m AML with and without monocytic blast cell differentiation*

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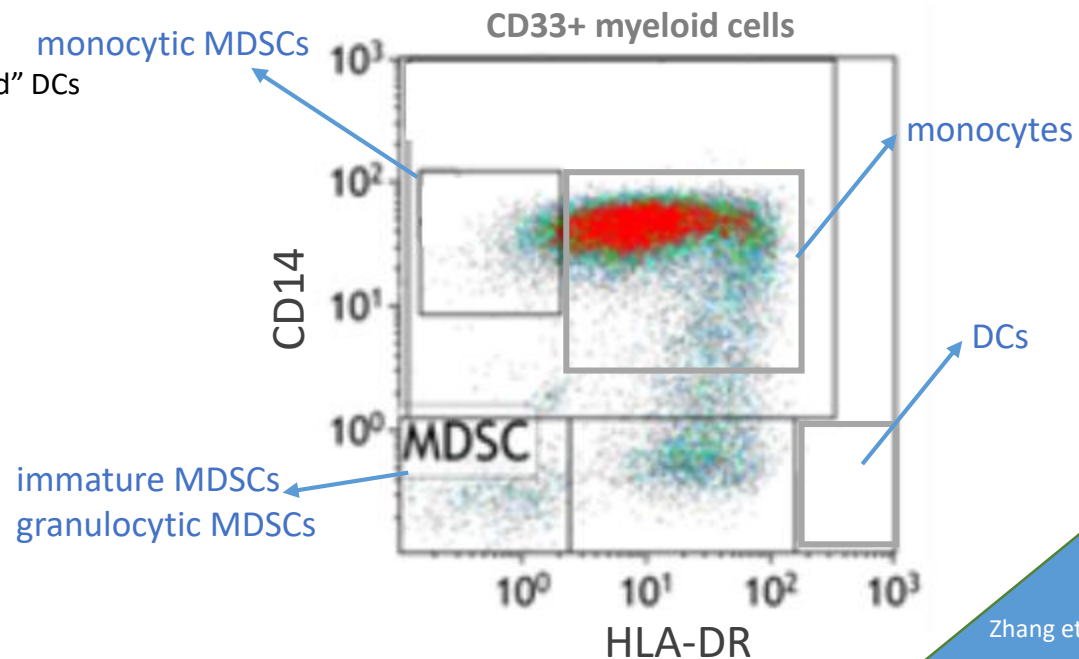
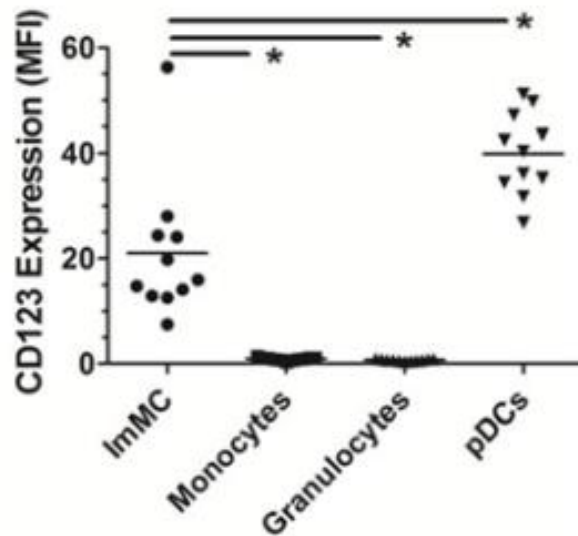
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  - No
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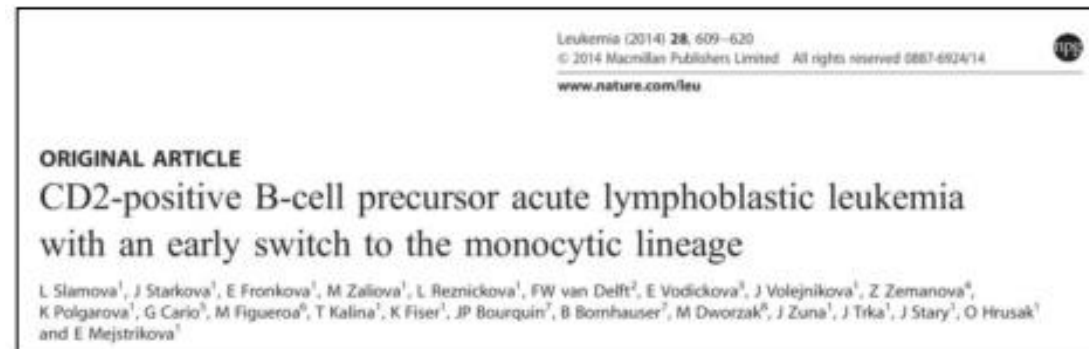
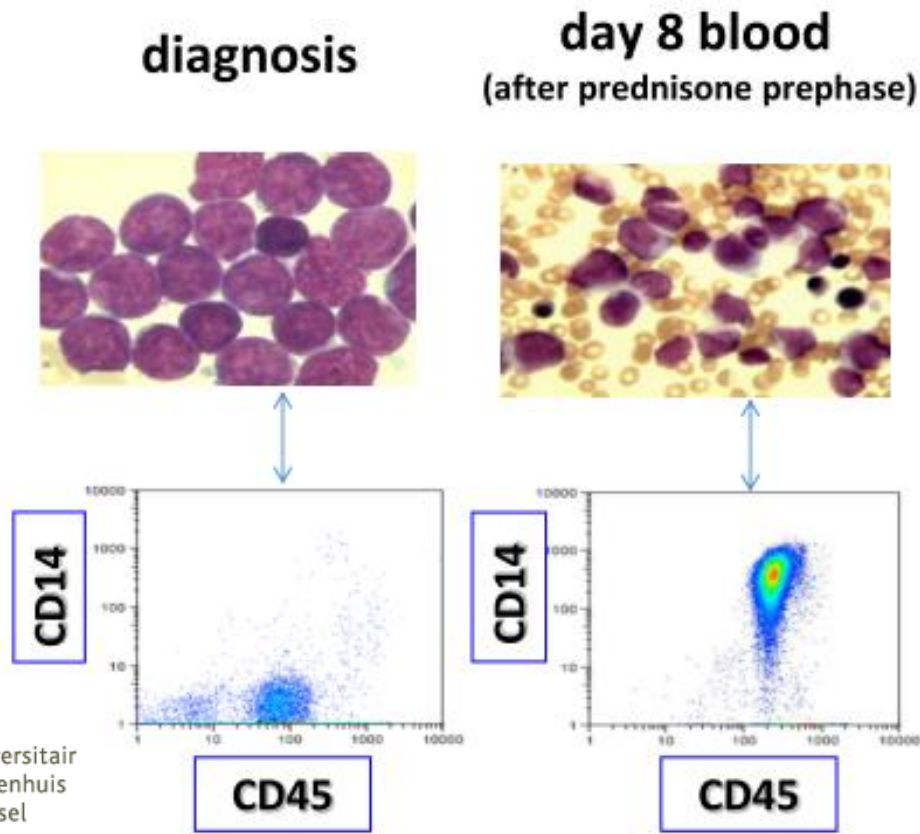
- Myeloid derived suppressor cells (MDSC): CD33+/HLA-DR- cells with variable CD15 expression → 3 classes
  - **Granulocytic** MDSC: CD15+ or CD66b+
  - **Monocytes** MDSC: lost or diminished HLA-DR expression: CD14+/HLA-DRlo (+variable CD16 expression)
  - **Immature** MDSC: activated/degranulated granulocytes lacking CD15 and CD66b expression: CD14-/CD33+/HLA-DR-/**CD123+**:
- Peripheral and BM dendritic cells (DC): CD45+/CD14-/CD13+/CD33+/CD11c+/HLA-DR++/**CD123+** cells
  - BM: 0.082% ± 0.025%; PB ± 0,65%
  - 3 classes
    - CD16-/**CD123**- “myeloid” DCs
    - CD16+/**CD123**dim DCs
    - CD16-/**CD123**+ “lymphoid/plasmacytoid” DCs





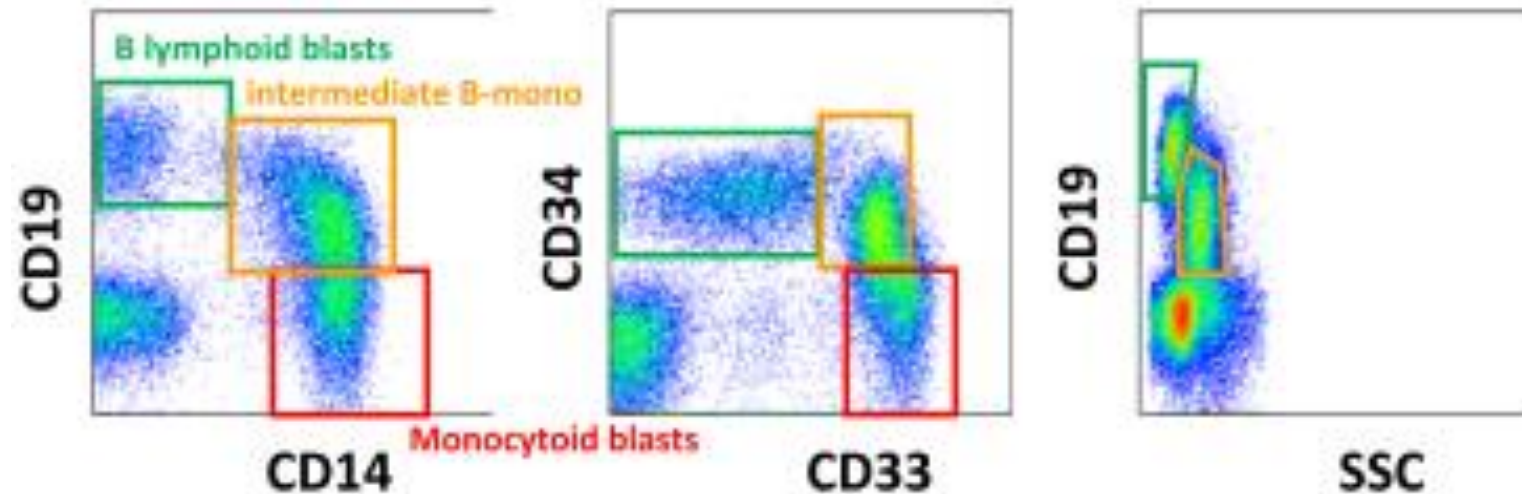
# Acute leukemia of ambiguous lineage: Switching leukemia (swALL)

- Subtype of BCP-ALL, 8% pediatric BCP-ALL cases
- CD2 and CD371 (CLEC12A, CLL-1) expression and  $\uparrow$  *ERG* deletions and *IKZF1* gene alterations at Dx
- CEBPa promotor hypomethylation
- $\uparrow$  monocytoid population during early treatment phase (d+8, d+15 or d+33)
  - Transient
  - Identical clone



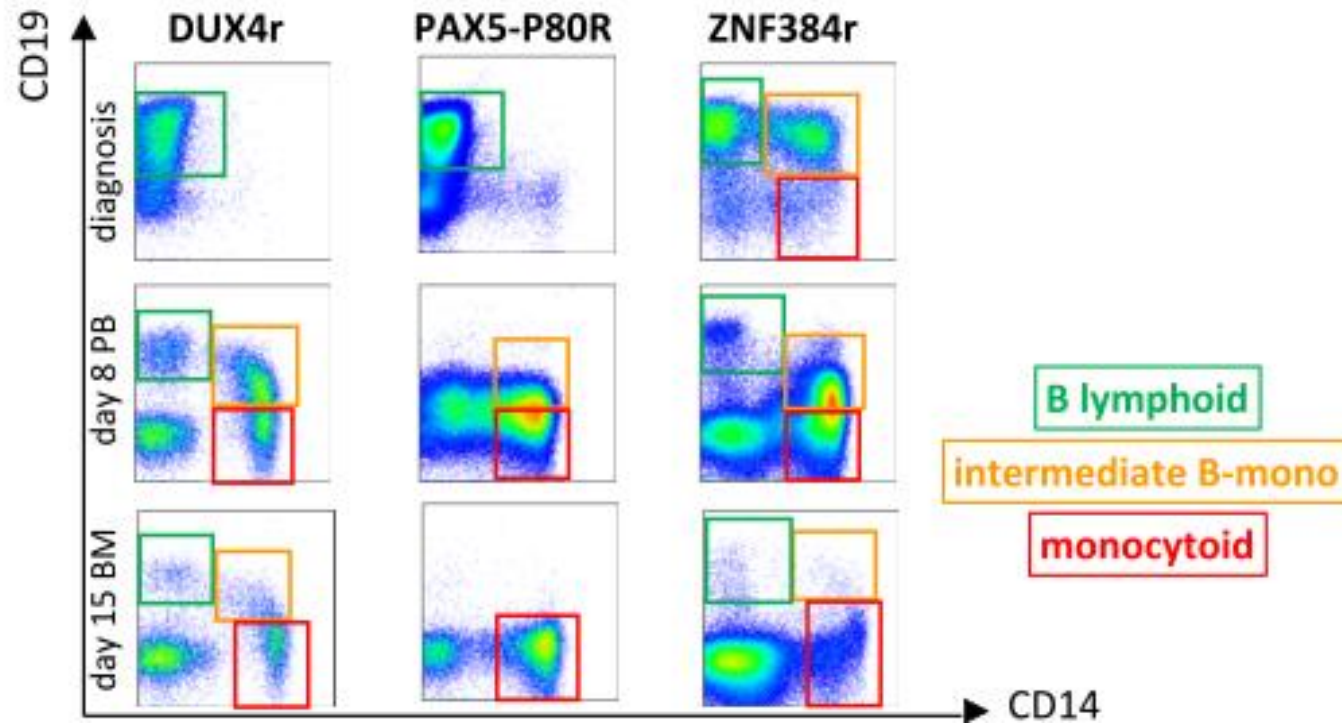
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- ↑ monocytoïd population during early treatment phase (d+8, d+15 or d33)
  - ‘monocytoïds’: Monocytoïd blasts and/or intermediate B-monocytoïd population
  - Increased expression of **CD14**, **CD33** and **SSC**; decreased expression of **CD19** and **CD34**



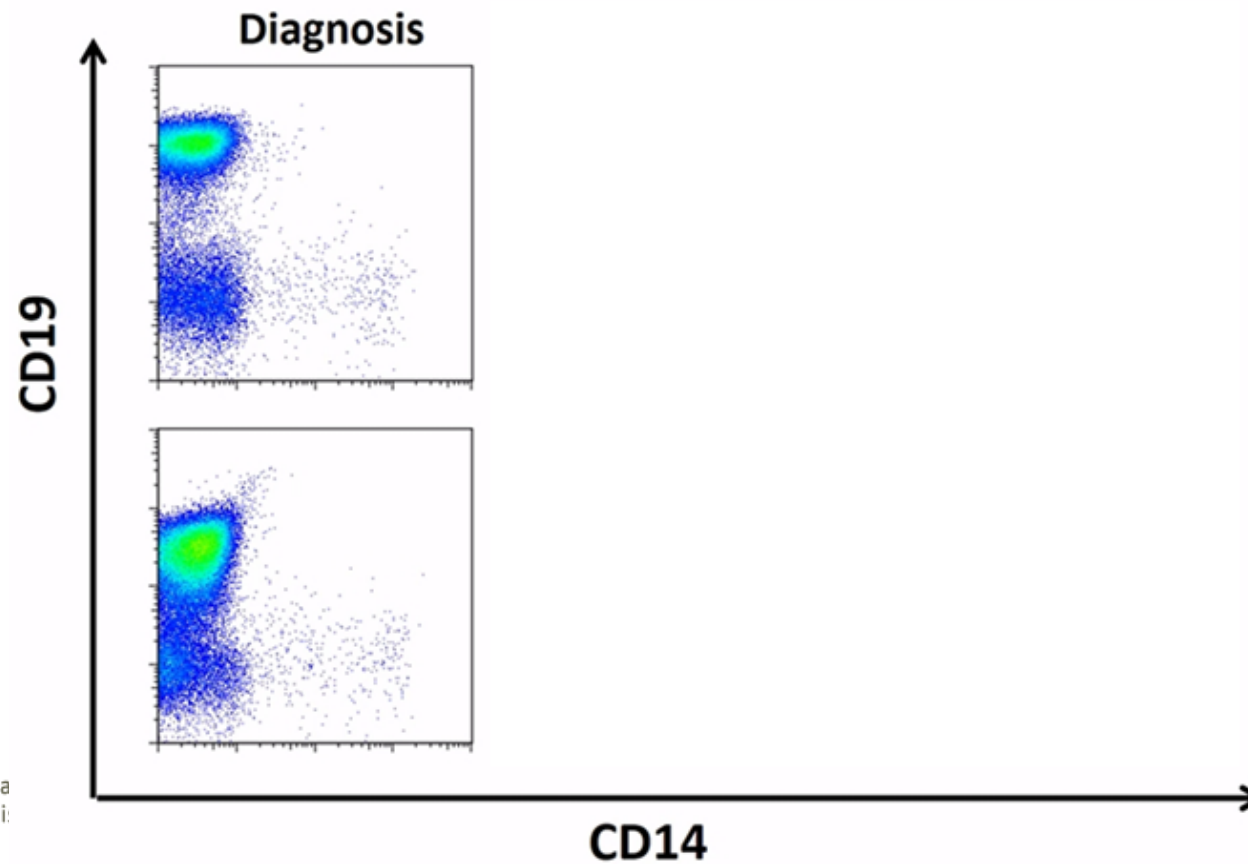
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- BCP-ALL with bad prognosis: *BCR-ABL1r* ( $P < .05$ ), *DUX4r* ( $P < .0001$ ), *ZNF384r* ( $P < .01$ ) and *PAX5r* ( $P < .0001$ )
- Genetic subtypes prone to switching have a **characteristic immunophenotype** at diagnoses
  - *DUX4r*: CD10<sup>low</sup>/CD30<sup>-</sup>/CD34<sup>++</sup>/**CLL-1<sup>++</sup>**/CD2<sup>+</sup>
  - *PAX5-P80R* mutation: CD10<sup>low</sup>/**CD66c<sup>++</sup>**/CD2<sup>+</sup>/CD4<sup>+</sup>/CD33<sup>+</sup>
- **Character of switching** differs between genetic subgroups (i.e. rapid loss of CD19)



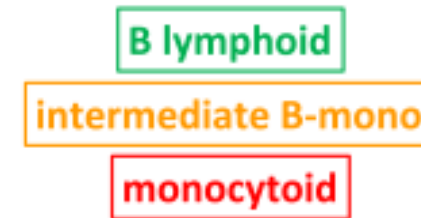
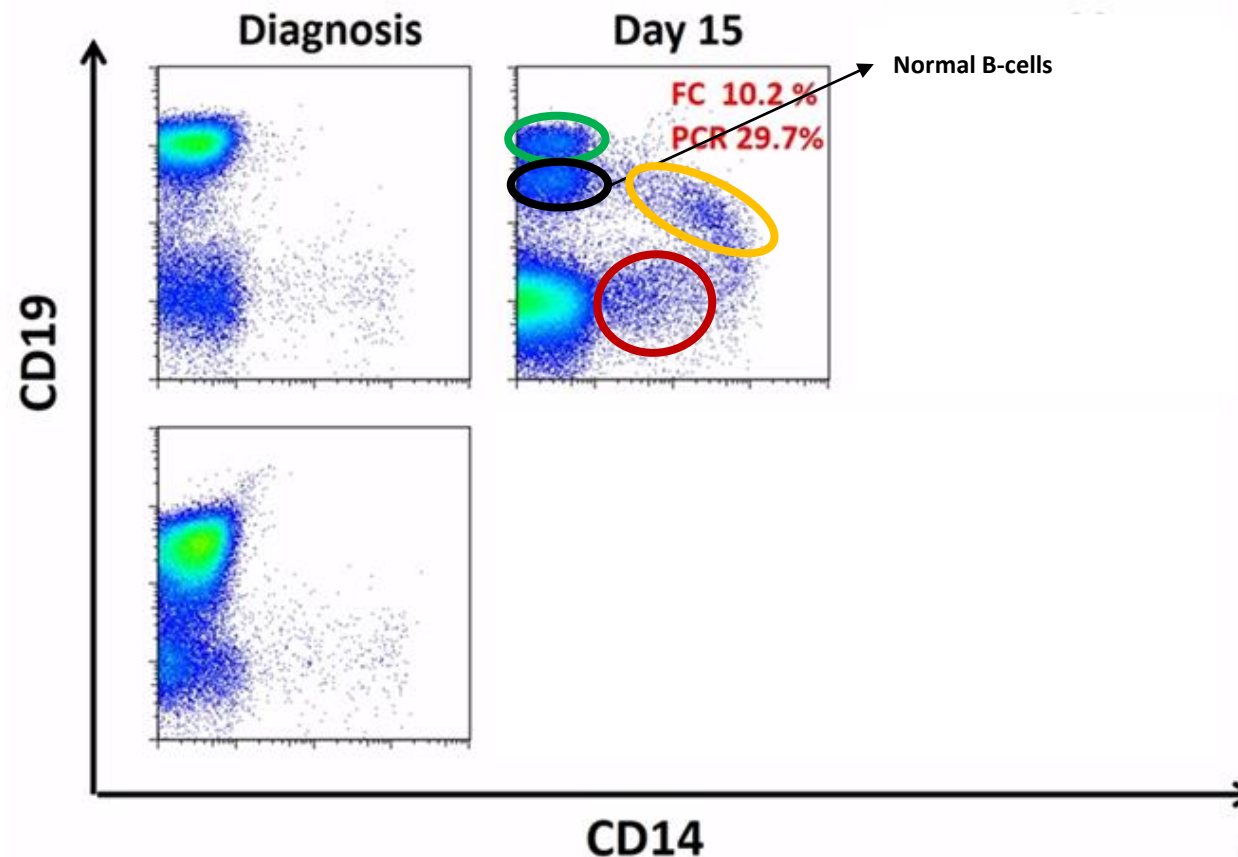
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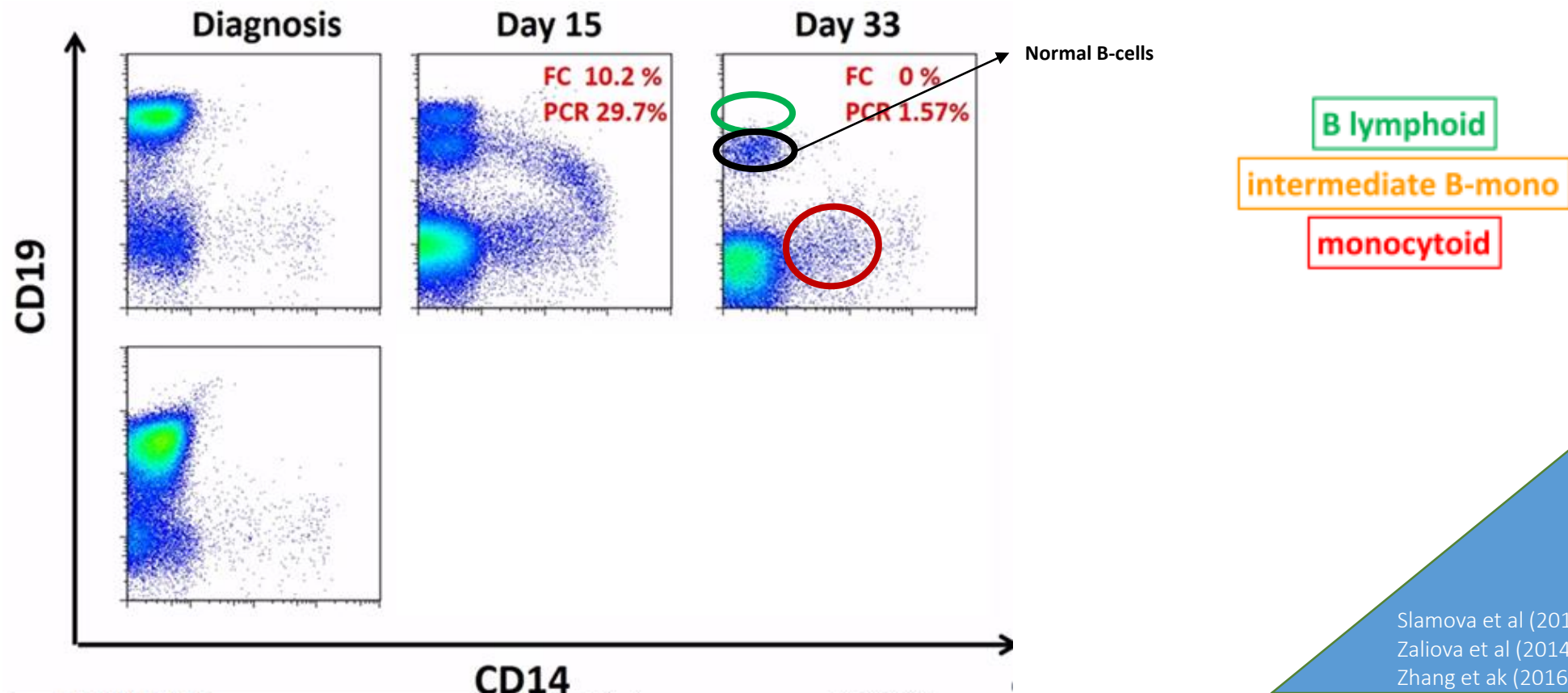
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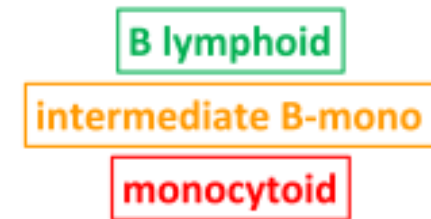
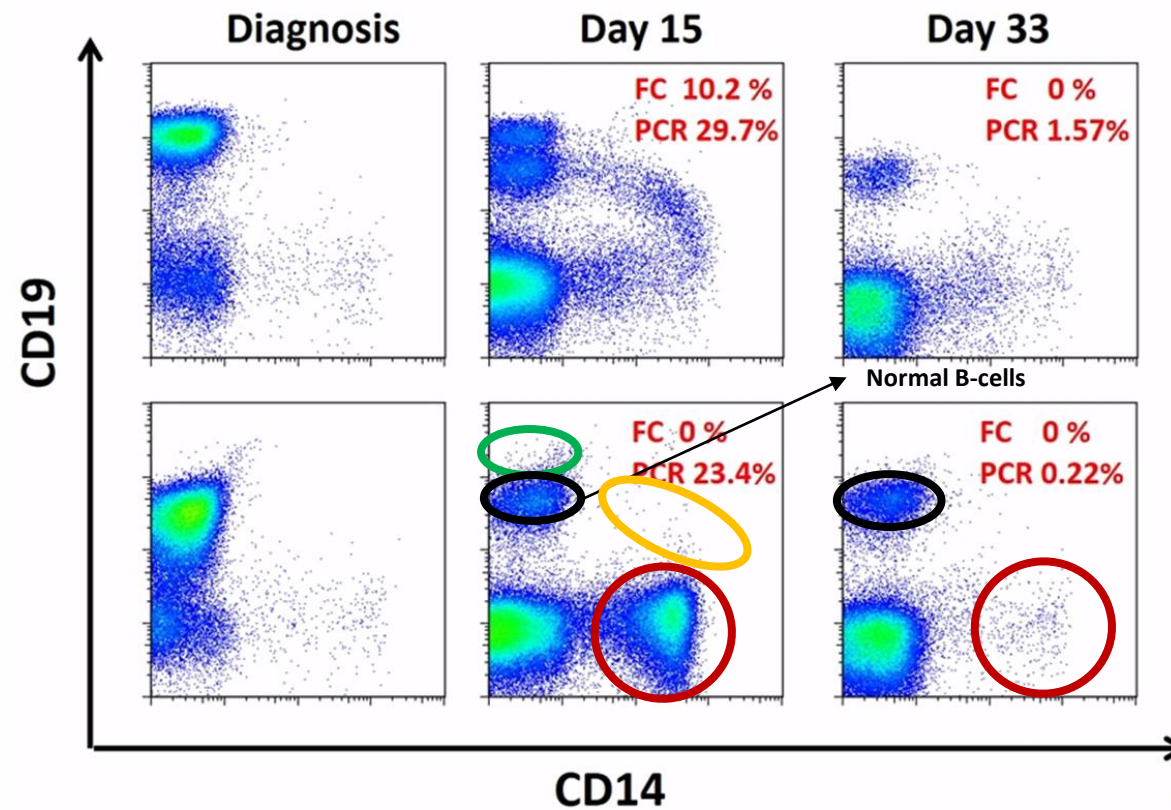
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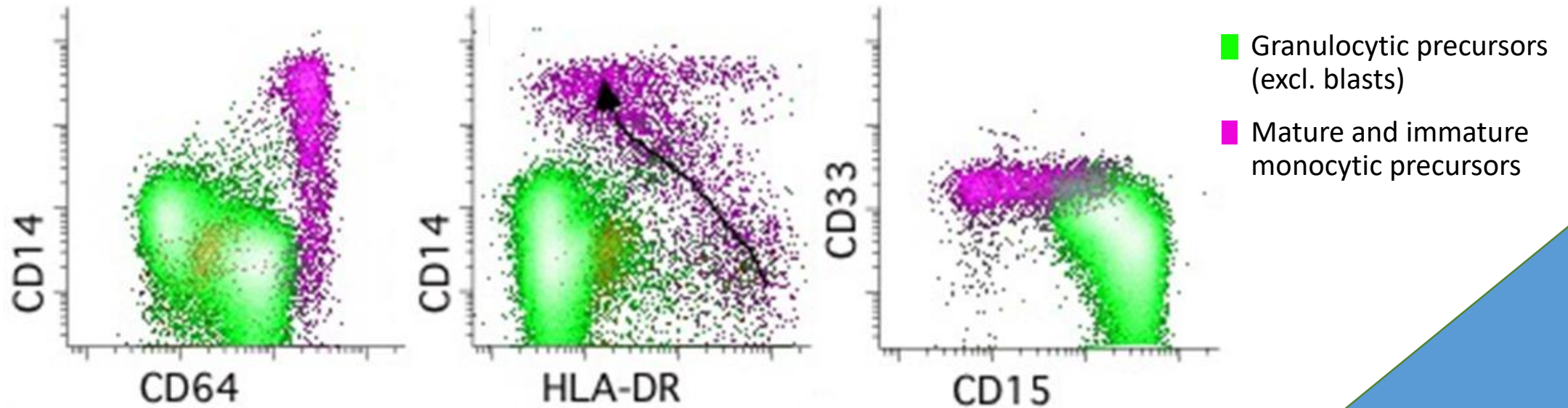
# Chronic myeloid cell neoplasms with monocytosis: CMML

- Classical CMML
  - Diagnosis:
    - Persistent (3 months) absolute ( $\geq 1 \times 10^9/L$ ) and relative ( $\geq 10\%$  of leukocytes) monocytosis in PB
    - absence of BCR-ABL1, PCM1-JAK2 and rearrangements in PDGFRA, PDGFRB or FGFR1 genes
    - diagnostic dysplasia in  $\geq 1$  BM cell lineages ( $\geq 10\%$ )OR
    - CMML-related cytogenetic/molecular lesions AND/OR CMML-related FCM abnormalities
  - Leukocyte count
    - Dysplastic variant (leukocyte count  $\leq 13 \times 10^9/L$ )
    - Proliferative' variant (leukocyte count  $> 13 \times 10^9/L$ )
  - % blasts in PB and BM : CMML-0, -1, -2 (! grading should be based on the higher blast cell percentage)
- CMML variants
  - Oligomonocytic CMML (~pre-phase)
    - Abovementioned criteria, except for absolute PB monocyte count  $0,5 - 0,9 \times 10^9/L$ , including FCM abnormalities,
    - ~~MDS, MDS/MPN-U~~
    - typical morphology of PB and BM, splenomegaly, and CMML-related molecular features
  - CMML associated with systemic mastocytosis (SM-CMML, + *KIT* mutation D816V)
  - CMML (with a concomitant myeloid neoplasm\*) expressing a classical MPN- driver
  - CMML with concomitant lymphoid neoplasm



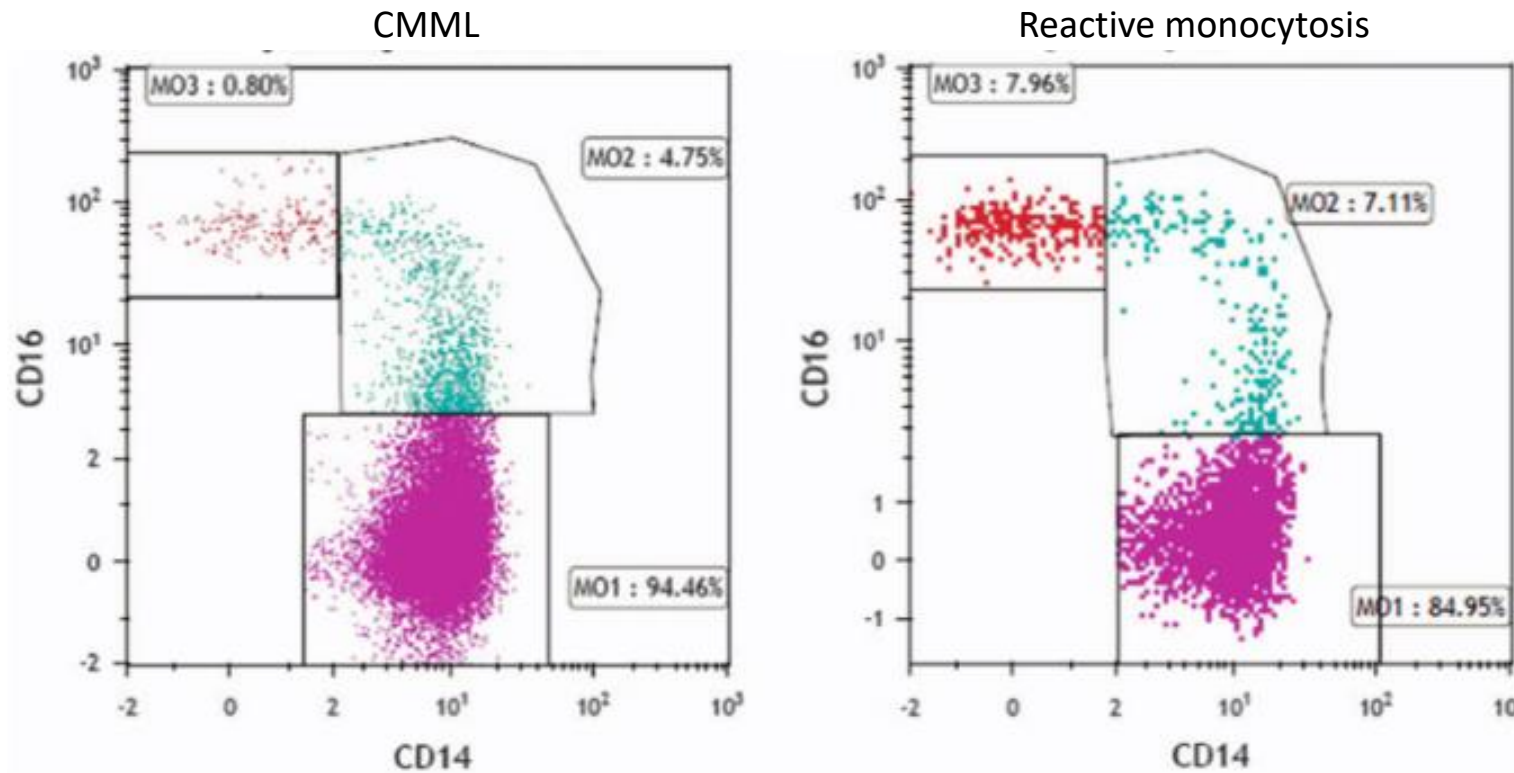
# Chronic myeloid cell neoplasms with monocytosis: CMML

- FCM helpful to distinguish **dysplastic myeloid precursors** from **immature monocytic cells**
  - CD14, CD64, HLA-DR, CD15 and SSC
  - BM evaluation is crucial!



# Chronic myeloid cell neoplasms with monocytosis: CMML

- FCM helpful to distinguish **neoplastic** from **reactive** monocytosis
  - **cMo** (CD14+/CD16-) are **increased** in CMML
  - **iMo** (CD14+/CD16+) and **ncMo** (CD14-/CD16+) are relatively **decreased** in CMML



cMo ≥ 94%: CMML  
(96% (14/15) and 92% (98/107) of patients)

cMo < 92%: other monocytosis



Co-occurrence inflammatory disease:  
FCM-defined inflammatory CMML

- SLAN+ ncMo < 1.7%
- 'bulbous' aspect cMo/iMo

Thank you for your attention!



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