



# EFFICACY OF MEK INHIBITORS IN ERDHEIM-CHESTER DISEASE

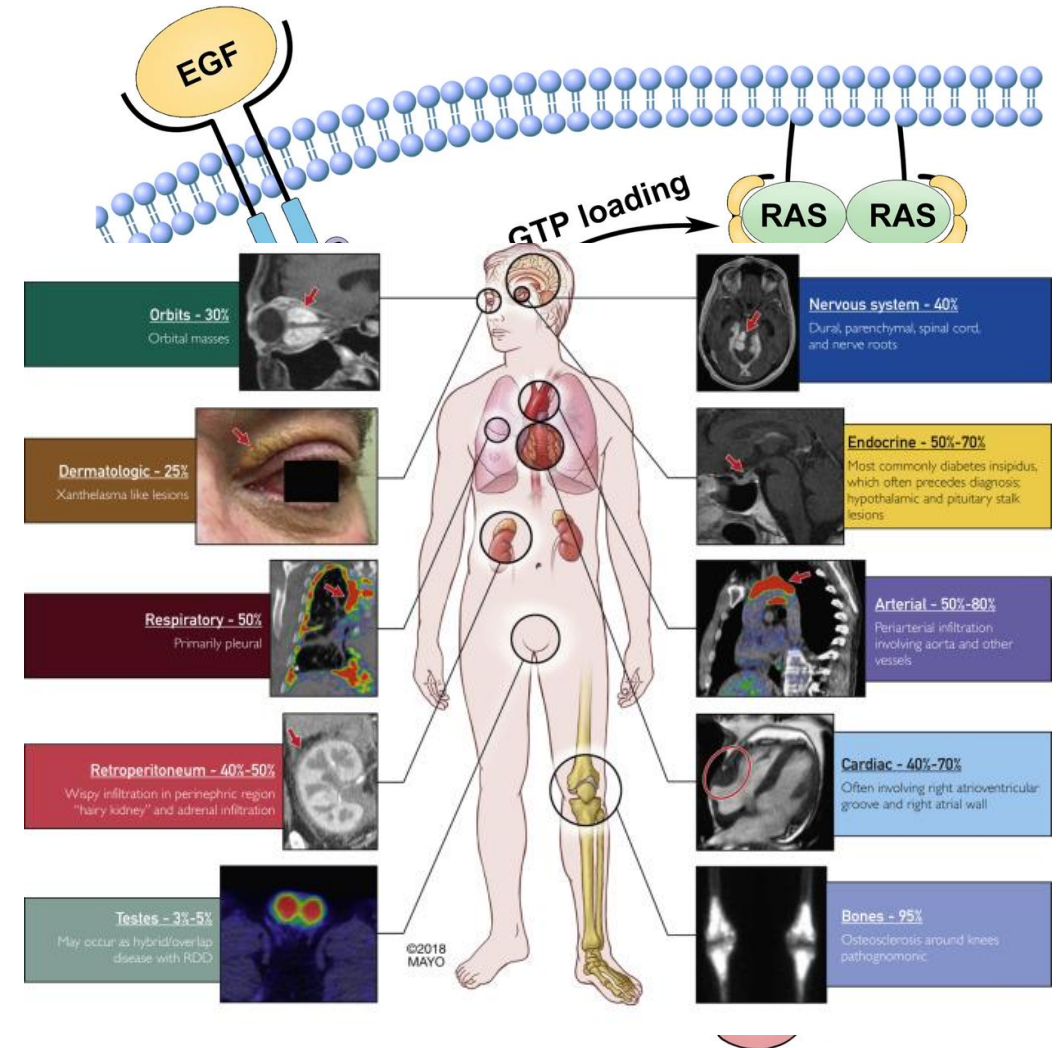
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# BACKGROUND

- Erdheim-Chester disease is a rare and heterogeneous disorder known to be driven by mutations in the MAPKinase pathway<sup>1</sup>
- *BRAF* inhibitors were the first targeted therapy used given the presence of *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup> in 50-60%, response is not universal<sup>2,3</sup>
- Further understanding led to use of MEK inhibitors in *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup>-negative histiocytic neoplasms



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# OBJECTIVE

We aimed to describe characteristics and outcomes of the largest cohort of ECD patients treated with MEKi outside of a clinical trial.

# METHODS

- Patients with ECD treated with MEKi (cobimetinib, trametinib, or binimetinib) at Mayo Clinic between 2019-2021.
- Tumor MAPK pathway mutation status determined via NGS or, if unavailable, IHC or allele-specific PCR was used to determine *BRAF* mutation status.
- Response assessment based on established positron emission radiography (PET)-response criteria used for clinical trials of targeted therapies in histiocytosis

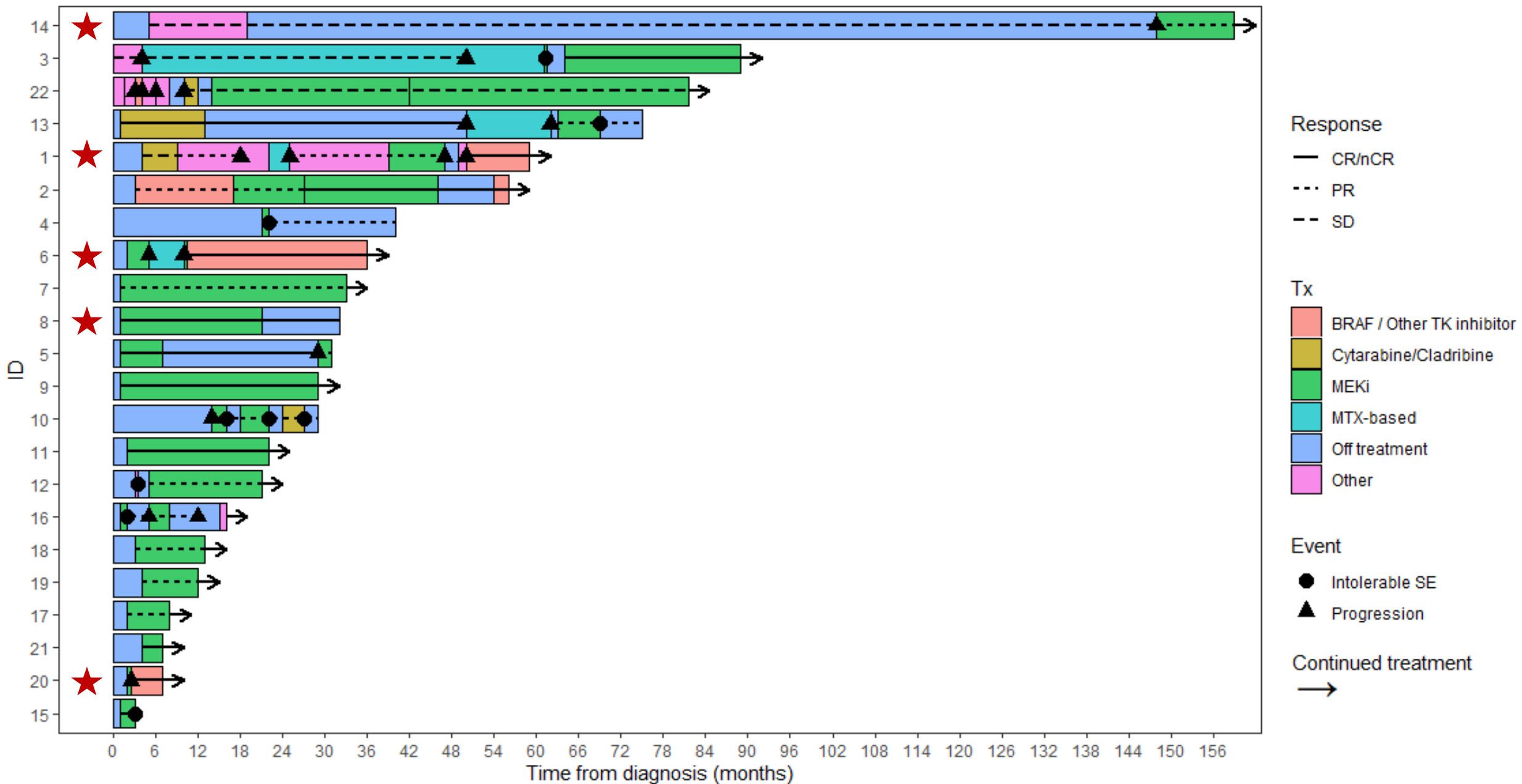
General characteristics	N= 22
Age at diagnosis [years], <i>median</i> (IQR)	52 (35.8 – 70.8)
<b>Sex, n (%)</b>	
Female	12 (55)
Male	10 (45)
<b>MAPK variant assessment, n (%)</b>	
Next-generation sequencing	18 (81.8)
Allele-specific PCR	4 (18.2)
Immunohistochemistry	21 (95.5)
<b>Pathogenic variants identified, n (%)</b>	
<i>BRAF</i> <sup>V600E</sup>	1 (4.5)
Other <i>BRAF</i> variants	6 (27.3)
Other <i>MAPK</i> pathway variants	10 (45.5)
No variants identified*	5 (22.7)
<b>MEKi exposure, n (%)</b>	
Cobimetinib	15 (68.2)
Sequential exposure to MEKi	
Cobimetinib / Trametinib	3 (13.6)
Cobimetinib / Binimetinib	2 (9.1)
Trametinib / Binimetinib	1 (4.5)
Cobimetinib rechallenge	1 (4.5)

# BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS

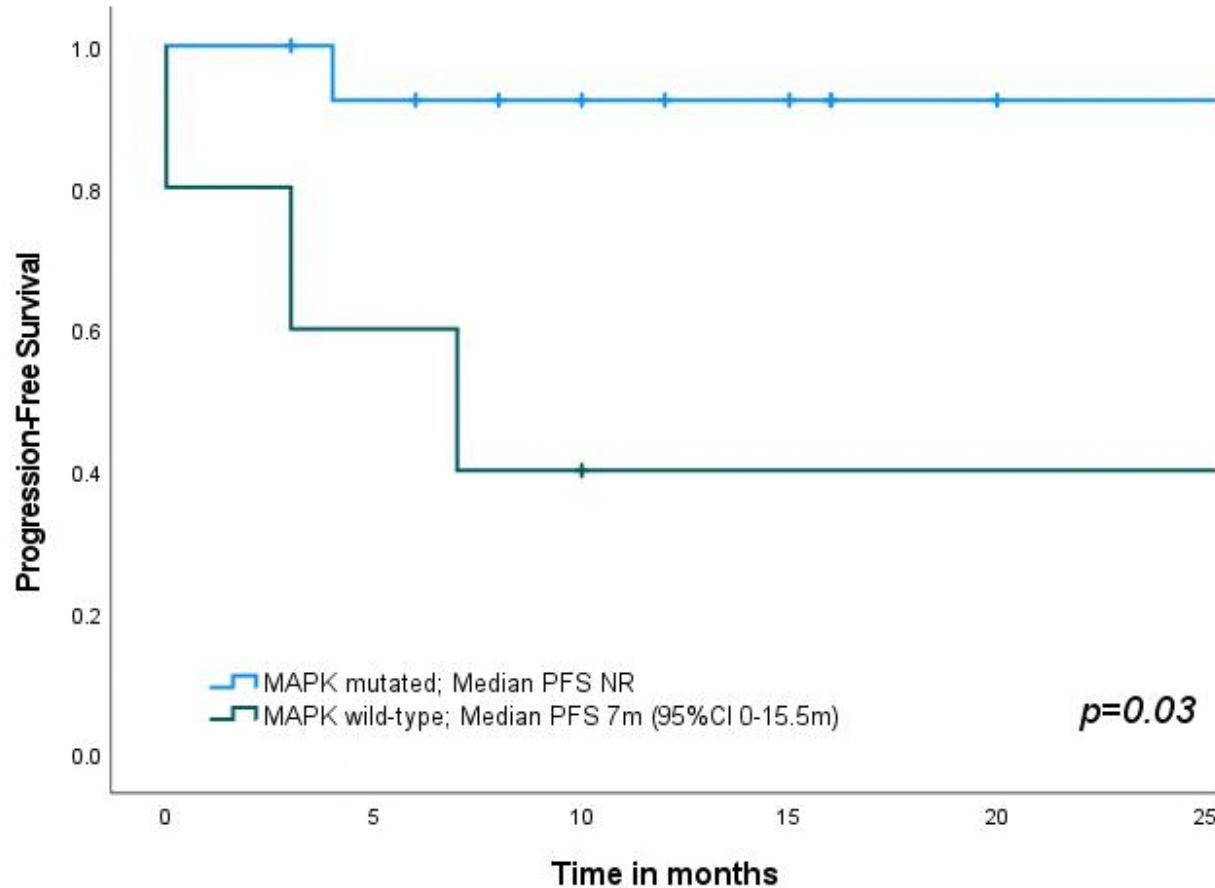
- MEKi as 1<sup>st</sup> line therapy in 68.2% (n=15)
- Median time on a MEKi
  - 7.1 months (IQR 3 – 18.9 months)

# GENETIC PROFILE

ID	Evaluation tools	Detected variants	
1	IHC, as-PCR & NGS	<i>FLT3-MEF2C</i> Fusion	←
2	IHC	<i>BRAF</i> V600E	←
3	as-PCR	No pathogenic variant identified	←
4	IHC & as-PCR	No pathogenic variant identified	←
5	IHC & NGS	<i>BRAF</i> N486_P490del	
6	IHC & NGS	No pathogenic variant identified <b>VUS: CSF1R</b>	←
7	IHC & NGS	<i>UBTD2-BRAF</i> chromosomal rearrangement	
8	IHC & NGS	No pathogenic variant identified	←
9	IHC & NGS	<i>MAP2K1</i> K57N	
10	IHC & NGS	<i>MAP2K1</i> Q56P	
11	IHC & NGS	<i>BRAF</i> T599_V600 DelInsRE	
12	IHC & NGS	<i>NRAS</i> Q61R <i>ASXL1</i> G646fs	
13	IHC & NGS	<i>MAP2K1</i> E102_103del	
14	IHC & NGS	No pathogenic variant identified	←
15	IHC	Negative for <i>BRAF</i> V600E	←
16	IHC & NGS	<i>RNF11-BRAF</i> Fusion	
17	IHC & NGS	<i>UBR2-BRAF</i> Fusion	
18	IHC & NGS	<i>MAP2K1</i> Y130C <i>KRAS</i> G12D	
19	IHC & NGS	<i>MAP2K1</i> PE102_I103del	
20	IHC & NGS	<i>POT1 M1?</i> <i>PTPN11</i> E76K <b>VUS: CSF1R</b>	←
21	IHC & NGS	<i>MAP2K1</i> Q56P	
22	IHC, as-PCR & NGS	<i>BRAF</i> V471F <i>NF1</i> c.1641+1G>A and c.7189+2T>G <i>MCL1</i> Amplification	



# RESPONSE AND ADVERSE EFFECTS



- PFS and ORR (92.9% vs. 40%,  $p=0.013$ ) were significantly greater in MAPK-mutated individuals
- At last follow-up:
  - All patients were alive
  - 10 pts (52.6%) remained on MEKi
- Intolerable AEs with MEKi:
  - G3/4 diarrhea (n=2),
  - G3 lower extremity edema (n=2),
  - G3 acneiform rash (n=1),
  - G2 pericardial effusion (n=1),
  - Dropped-head syndrome (n=1)

# LIMITATIONS

Main limitations -> Retrospective nature and sample size

# CONCLUSIONS

- MEK inhibitors are a highly efficacious treatment in patients with ECD
- Treatment discontinuation due to toxicities / intolerance was common, but this did not preclude from maintenance of tumor response for extended periods
- Our study suggests that identification of non-MAPK pathogenic variants may predict response to MEK inhibition

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# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

