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# Supplementary Materials: The Impact of Flt3 Gene Mutations in Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia: A Meta-Analysis

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Table S1. Keyword structure and conceptual logic of the search strategy for each search engine.

Element	Search Keyword
Patients	"Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia," "Acute Myeloid Leukemia FAB M3," "AML M3."
Exposure	Acquired mutations, secondary mutations, somatic mutations, somatic changes, <i>FLT3</i> , internal tandem duplications, ITD, D835, <i>RAS</i> , TKD, "tyrosine kinase," TKI, <i>NPM1</i> , <i>CEBPA</i> , <i>IDH1</i> , WT1
Event of Interest	Mortality, early death, survival, prognosis
Language	English, Portuguese, Spanish
Study Types	Included: Randomized controlled trial, clinical trial, randomized trial Not included: Review, meta-analysis, comment, editorial, letter, case reports

### **PubMed**

PubMed (<a href="http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed">http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed</a>) allows the development of advanced search terms. Combinations of search terms are given in supplementary Table S2.

Table S2. Search terms used for the PubMed database.

Element	Research Term
Participants	(Leukemia, Promyelocytic, Acute/mortality[MeSH] OR Leukemia, Promyelocytic,
	Acute/therapy[MeSH] OR "Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia" OR "AML M3" OR "Acute
	Myeloid Leukemia M3")
Exposure	AND
	(FLT3 OR "Internal tandem duplications" OR ITD OR D835 ORRAS OR NPM1 OR
	CEBPA OR IDH1 OR TKD OR TKI OR "tyrosine kinase" OR "Wilms tumor 1" OR
	WT1 OR "Acquired mutation" OR "secondary mutation" OR "somatic mutation" OR
	"somatic change")
Interest Event	AND
	(mortality OR death OR survival OR prognostic OR prognosis)
Language	AND
	("english"[Language] OR "portuguese"[Language] OR "spanish"[Language])
Study Types Selection	NOT: (review[Title] OR review[Publication Type] OR "case reports"[Publication Type]
	OR "case reports"[Publication Type] OR editorial[Publication Type] OR
	letter[Publication Type] OR comment[Publication Type])

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## Cochrane

The search terms were initially used separately, and combined into a single search term in the last search step. The strategy is saved in the link:

http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/cochranelibrary/search/advanced/shared/searches/11369131229913378817

**Table S3.** Search terms used for the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL) database.

MeSH descriptor: [Leukemia, Promyelocytic, Acute] explode all trees and with qualifier(s): [Mortality - MO]	#1
"acute promyelocytic leukemia" or "AML M3" or "Acute Myeloid Leukemia M3"	#2
FLT3 or "Internal tandem duplications" or ITD OR D835 or RAS or NPM1 or CEBPA or IDH1 or TKD or TKI or "tyrosine kinase" or "Wilms tumor 1" or WT1 or "Acquired mutation" or "secondary mutation" or "somatic #mutation" or "somatic change" or "secondary genetic disorder"	
Mortality or death or survival or prognostic or prognosis	#4
(#1 or #2) and #3 and #4	

## **Science Direct**

The advanced search terms used in Science Direct ( $\underline{\text{http://www.sciencedirect.com/}}$ ) are shown in Table 5.

Table S4. Search terms used for the Science Direct database.

Element	Research Term
Participants	(Leukemia, Promyelocytic, Acute/mortality[MeSH] OR Leukemia, Promyelocytic, Acute/therapy[MeSH] OR "acute promyelocytic leukemia" OR "AML M3" OR "Acute Myeloid Leukemia M3")
Exposure	AND TITLE-ABSTR-KEY(FLT3 OR "Internal tandem duplications" OR ITD OR D835 OR RAS OR NPM1 OR CEBPA OR IDH1 OR TKD OR TKI OR "tyrosine kinase" OR "Wilms tumor 1" OR WT1 OR "Acquired mutation" OR "secondary mutation" OR "somatic mutation" OR "somatic change" OR "secondary genetic disorder")
Interest Event	AND TITLE-ABSTR-KEY(mortality OR death OR survival OR prognostic OR prognosis)
Study Types Selection	AND LIMIT-TO(contenttype, "JL,BS", "Journal") AND NOT TITLE(Review) AND NOT TITLE(meta-analysis) AND NOT TITLE(case report)

# Scopus

Scopus (http://www.scopus.com) allows the user to build an advanced search term.

Table S5. Search terms used to query the Scopus database.

Element	Research Term
Participants	ALL ("acute promyelocytic leukemia" OR "AML M3" OR "acute promyelocytic
	leukemia")
Exposure	AND
	TITLE-ABS-KEY(FLT3 OR "Internal tandem duplications" OR ITD OR D835 OR RAS OR
	NPM1 OR CEBPA OR IDH1 OR TKD OR TKI OR "tyrosine kinase" OR "Wilms tumor
	1" OR WT1 OR "Acquired mutation" OR "secondary mutation" OR "somatic mutation"
	OR "somatic change" OR "secondary genetic disorder")
Interest Event	AND
	TITLE-ABS-KEY((mortality OR death OR survival OR prognostic OR prognosis))
Language	AND
	(LIMIT-TO(LANGUAGE, "English") OR LIMIT-TO(LANGUAGE, "Spanish") OR LIMIT-
	TO(LANGUAGE, "Portuguese" ))

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## $\mathbf{VHL}$

The VHL (http://pesquisa.bvsalud.org/) is a portal that allows the user to access MEDLINE, LILACS, and several other databases.

Table S6. Search terms used for the Virtual Health Library (VHL) database.

Element	Research Term
Participants	(tw:("acute promyelocytic leukemia" OR "AML M3" OR "Acute Myeloid Leukemia M3" ))
Exposure	AND
	(tw:( FLT3 OR "Internal tandem duplications" OR ITD OR D835 OR RAS OR NPM1 OR
	CEBPA OR IDH1 OR TKD OR TKI OR "tyrosine kinase" OR "Wilms tumor 1" OR WT1 OR
	"Acquired mutation" OR "secondary mutation" OR "somatic mutation" OR "somatic change"
	OR "secondary genetic disorder"))
Interest Event	AND
	(tw:(mortality OR death OR survival OR prognostic OR prognosis))
Language	AND
	(la:("en" OR "es"))
Study types	AND (type:("article"))
Selection	AND NOT (TI:("case report" or "Review" or "apoptosis" or "meta-analysis"))



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