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Abstract

Acute myeloid leukemia (AML) with TTMV::RARA fusion represents a novel subtype driven by torque teno mini virus (TTMV) integration into retinoic acid receptor alpha (RARA) locus, while current understanding of its molecular features and clinical presentation relies predominantly on isolated case observations. Here, we characterize a large and independent cohort (n=25) through integrative analysis of clinical-omics data, uncovering unique features that distinguish it from classic acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL) and other AML subtypes. Our findings reveal that TTMV integrates exclusively within intron 2 of the RARA gene via microhomology-mediated end joining (MMEJ), forming functional *TTMV::RARA* transcripts. Clinically, patients harboring this fusion were predominantly pediatric (72% <18 years) and often presented with extramedullary diseases (24% with myeloid sarcoma, 16% with central nervous system infiltration). Blasts displayed APL-like morphology and immunophenotype but lacked PML::RARA, instead harboring TTMV::RARA with recurrent i(17)(q10) abnormalities (24%). Unsupervised clustering revealed it as a molecularly distinct subgroup. Transcriptomic profiling identified a Wnt-activated/extracellular matrix-dysregulated signature, leukemogenesis driving mechanisms of clonal expansion and metastatic pathways. Despite achieving a 96% complete remission (CR) rate with induction therapy,

long-term outcomes were significantly inferior, with 2-year event-free survival (EFS) and relapse-free survival (RFS) rates of 53.6% and 53.8%, respectively. Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) achieved durable remission in 9 of 11 patients, particularly those with extramedullary disease or i(17)(q10) abnormalities. Conclusively, this work establishes *TTMV::RARA* as a novel AML subtype, highlighting the need for viral screening in APL-like cases and HSCT prioritization for this subset.

Introduction:

Acute myeloid leukemia (AML) represents a group of molecularly heterogeneous malignancies, characterized by chromosomal rearrangements and genetic aberrations^[1-2]. Approximately 40% of AML cases harbor clinically validated pathogenic fusion genes arising from these rearrangements^[3]. Key fusion genes, such as *PML::RARA*, have been established as diagnostic markers and therapeutic targets in AML, owing to their distinct clinicopathological features and prognostic relevance^[4-6]. The World Health Organization (WHO) has incorporated these molecular alterations into the classification of haematolymphoid tumors, with their clinical application significantly improving patient management and outcomes^[7]. However, a subset of AML patients remain without definitive molecular markers, creating a critical gap in targeted therapeutic strategies and underscoring the urgent need to identify novel oncogenic drivers for precision medicine in leukemia.

Recent studies have revealed that Torque Teno Mini Virus (TTMV), conventionally considered as non-pathogenic, can aberrantly integrate into the human genome at the retinoic acid receptor alpha (*RARA*) locus, resulting in the formation of a cross-species "virus-host" fusion gene, *TTMV::RARA*^[8-17]. This distinctive genomic rearrangement directly contributes to the development of AML with features resembling acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL), thereby challenging the traditional

paradigm of leukemogenesis mediated by human-human gene fusion and broadening our understanding of AML pathogenesis.

While prior case reports have delineated the basic structural features of this fusion, the precise mechanisms of viral integration remain poorly characterized. Similarly, although clinical observations have documented certain phenotypic traits, an evidence-based treatment consensus and therapeutic guidelines await systematic validation through large-scale studies.

To address these critical knowledge gaps, we have assembled a large multicenter cohort of *TTMV::RARA* cases to date (n=25). This expanded dataset enables us to construct a comprehensive molecular profile of viral integration patterns, establish genotype-phenotype correlations across clinical presentations, and evaluate treatment response patterns to inform evidence-based therapeutic guidelines.

Materials and Methods:

Case identification and study design

This observational, retrospective cohort study (Approval No. 2024-7-31-2) was approved by the Institutional Review Board of Beijing Chaoyang Hospital, Capital Medical University, China, and conducted in compliance with the Declaration of Helsinki.

The study cohort for initial *TTMV::RARA* screening comprised 2,553 AML patients, including 2,543 cases retrieved from published databases (Table S1) and an additional 10 cases recruited from a multicenter study spanning July 2014 to August 2024. These 10 patients exhibited morphological and immunophenotypic features strongly resembling classical APL, but none carried known APL-defining genetic drivers (including classic *PML::RARA* and other *RARA*, *RARG*, or *RARB* fused with human genes), nor the hotspot NPM1 mutations that have been implicated in APL-like presentations. Subsequently, through the application of a stringent filtering strategy that incorporated viral genome data, we ultimately identified four cases harboring the *TTMV::RARA* fusion event. This high frequency emphasizes the potential diagnostic relevance of TTMV in resolving unclassified APL-like cases.

Diagnostic and follow-up information for newly identified *TTMV::RARA* positive patients were submitted by participating centers, while reported case data were extracted from the literature. Collected data included patient demographics, diagnostic/clinical laboratory results, MICM profiling, induction/consolidation chemotherapy regimens, and hematopoietic stem cell transplantation details. Treatment decisions were systematically recorded from medical records. All patients were followed until death or the data cutoff date (August 2024).

Expression-based comparisons

Transcript-level expressions were quantified by Salmon (v1.9.0)^[18] and gene-level read counts were aggregated by the tximport R package. To minimize batch effects, an integrated dataset of *TTMV::RARA* samples and a separate dataset^[19] (GSA-Human database, accession ID HRA002693) were analyzed for differential expression using DESeq2 (v1.40.2)^[20]. The EnhancedVolcano R package was used for visualization of DE results. Variance-stabilizing transformation of gene expression levels was conducted with DESeq2. Unsupervised hierarchical clustering was performed using the Ward.D2 algorithm. Gene Set Enrichment Analysis was performed using the clusterProfiler^[21] R package with gene sets from MSigDB and visualized by the GseaVis R package.

Definition of outcomes

Complete remission (CR) and overall response remission (ORR) were defined according to the recommended criteria^[22]. Overall survival (OS) was defined as the period from initial diagnosis to the last follow-up with a status of either death or alive assigned. Event-free survival (EFS) was calculated from the time of initial diagnosis to treatment failure (the patient did not have complete remission by month 6), relapse, death or the last follow-up in CR. Relapse-free survival (RFS) was calculated from the time of first CR to the date of first relapse, death or the last follow-up still in CR.

Statistical analyses

Statistical analyses were performed using R software (v4.4.0) and GraphPad Prism (v10.1.2). Differential expression analysis was conducted using Wald's test, survival analysis included Kaplan-Meier curves with log-rank tests for group comparisons and Cox proportional hazards regression for multivariable analysis. P<0.05 was considered statistically significant. BH (Benjamini & Hochberg) method was applied for multiple test correction.

Results:

Establishment of the TTMV::RARA Clinical and Omics Dataset

To systematically identify TTMV integration at the *RARA* locus, we screened 2,543 publicly available AML RNA-seq datasets and 10 APL-like cases from collaborative cohorts (Figure 1). Following a rigorous multi-step pipeline screening (Supplementary Fig. S1), we identified 10 cases harboring *TTMV::RARA* (Figure 1). By incorporating 15 cases from previous studies^[8-17], we established a comprehensive dataset comprising 25 patients in total. This dataset includes clinical profiles for all 25 cases, RNA-seq data for 15 cases, and whole genome sequencing (WGS) data for 2 cases (Figure 1).

General patterns of TTMV integration in AML

An integrative analysis of RNA-seq and WGS data from AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* revealed the presence of seven distinct TTMV strains involved in fusion gene formation. Among these, TTMV strain MN-769771.1 was the most prevalent, accounting for 46.7% (7/15) of all fusion events (Figure 2A-B).

Localization analysis confirmed that all TTMV integration events were exclusively confined to intron 2 of the *RARA* gene, with a pronounced preference for the 3' breakpoint region (Figure 2A, Supplementary Fig. S2A). This finding aligns with previous observations in the literature^[8-17].

Notably, the insertion sites exhibited significant clustering, suggesting the presence of potential hotspot integration loci within this region (p =0.00178, Figure 2A). Sequence analysis of 15 integration junctions revealed the presence of 2 to 4 base pairs of microhomology in 12 cases (80%)the integration sites (Figure 2A), indicating at $(MMEJ)^{[23]}$ end joining microhomology-mediated likely drives TTMV-host integration in the majority of patients.

Structural Characteristics of the TTMV::RARA Transcripts

The profiling of fusion transcripts revealed that 13 out of 15 cases (86.7%) harbored chimeric *RARA*::*TTMV*::*RARA* transcripts, with TTMV flanked by 5' and 3' *RARA* segments (Supplementary Figs. S2B, S3A-B; Table S2). These findings align with previous reports^[14] and provide evidence for the existence of full length *RARA*::*TTMV*::*RARA* precursor transcripts (Figure 2C).

In depth sequence analysis of the fusion transcripts identified three distinctive structural features. Adjacent to the TTMV start codon, a highly conserved motif was detected in all 13 cases (Supplementary Fig. S4A), while the downstream *RARA* open reading frames remained intact. Additionally, variable retention of *RARA* intron 2 sequences (ranging from 0 to 45 base pairs) was observed (Figure 2D). This tripartite structure suggests a functional hierarchy. The 5' *RARA* segment of

RARA::TTMV::RARA probably functions as a regulatory untranslated region (UTR), enabling the conserved TTMV motif and intact RARA ORFs to maintain translational efficiency. The variable retention of intron 2 sequences further implies splicing mediated regulation of this oncogenic fusion transcript, underscoring a complex mechanism by which viral integration dysregulates gene expression to drive leukemogenesis.

Collectively, these findings provide a comprehensive characterization of chimeric *RARA::TTMV::RARA* transcript structures that maintain a functional *TTMV::RARA* open reading frame, formed by TTMV viral integration into the human genome. These observations prompt inquiry into the clinical and phenotypic correlations mediated by these fusion genes.

Clinical characteristics of AML patients with TTMV::RARA

To elucidate the clinical and molecular characteristics of AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* fusion genes, we comprehensively analyzed 25 cases. The cohort predominantly comprised individuals aged ≤18 years (72%, 18/25), with an approximately equal gender distribution (male:female = 13:12) (Table 1). At the time of diagnosis, fever (36%, 9/25) and bleeding (32%, 8/25) were the most prevalent clinical manifestations (Table 1). Hematological parameters showed median values for white blood cell

(WBC) counts, hemoglobin, and platelet counts of 7.88×10^9/L (range 1 - 41.9×10^9/L), 88 g/L (55 - 113 g/L), and 94×10^9/L (13 - 334×10^9/L), respectively (Table 1). Coagulation studies revealed median prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time of 13.55 and 32.6 seconds, respectively, with fibrinogen and D-dimer levels measured at 196 mg/dL and 10,660 μg/L, respectively (Table 1). Notably, 24% (6/25) of cases exhibited myeloid sarcoma and 16% (4/25) had central nervous system (CNS) infiltration, reflecting an aggressive disease phenotype (Table 1).

The MICM (Morphology, Immunophenotype, Cytogenetics, and Molecular Genetics) profiling of AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* fusion demonstrated both striking parallels and distinct divergences when compared to classic APL. Morphologically, 52% (13/25) of leukemic blasts displayed typical hypergranular APL morphology, while 8% (2/25) showed hypogranular variant APL characteristics. Additionally, Auer rods were observed in 32% (8/25) of the cases (Table 1 and Figure 3A). Flow cytometric analysis revealed high expression levels of CD33 (100%), CD13 (100%), CD117 (79%), MPO (100%), CD99 (100%), and CD38 (87.5%) in the majority of leukemia cells, while CD34 (16.7%), HLA-DR (10%), and CD11b (15%) were rarely expressed (Figure 3B), consistent with APL immunophenotypic patterns.

Conversely, cytogenetic and molecular analyses uncovered distinct characteristics of AML patients with *TTMV::RARA*. Chromosomal abnormalities were detected in 60% (15/25) of patients, among which isochromosome i(17)(q10) (24%, 6/25) and trisomy 8 (8%, 2/25) emerged as the predominant aberrations (Table 1).

Furthermore, systematic screening for recurrent leukemia mutations using multimodal methods including RT-PCR, NGS-targeted sequencing, and bulk RNA-seq analysis identified only one case with FLT3 internal tandem duplication (FLT3-ITD), two cases harboring NRAS p.G12 codon mutations, and two cases with WT1 mutations (Figure 3C). These mutations are lesions commonly observed in APL^[24], indicating a distinct mutational landscape for this subtype.

Taken together, these results suggested that while AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* exhibit morphological and immunophenotypic similarities to classic APL, they also displayed significant differences in their cytogenetic, molecular, and clinical profiles.

Transcriptomic Features of AML with TTMV::RARA

To determine whether AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* fusion represent a distinct subtype separate from conventional AML and classical APL, we performed a transcriptomic analysis involving 15 *TTMV::RARA* samples.

These were compared against 53 *PML::RARA* (classic APL) samples and 511 non-APL AML samples (Table S3). Unsupervised hierarchical clustering revealed that *TTMV::RARA* samples formed a transcriptionally distinct cluster. While they showed a close relationship with classical APL, a clear separation was observed (Figure 3C), indicating potential molecular differences between these subtypes.

Differential gene expression and functional analysis revealed that AML patients with TTMV::RARA exhibited elevated RARA expression and robust enrichment of the Wnt signaling pathway (Figure 3D-E and Supplementary Fig. S5A-B), which are associated with cell proliferation and self-renewal^[25]. Concurrently, extracellular matrix (ECM) regulators such as ADAMTS9 and MMP8 showed marked overexpression (Figure 3D-E and Supplementary Fig. S5A-B), in line with their functions in tissue remodeling and invasive migration^[26]. These findings support a dual mechanism model: activation of the Wnt pathway drives clonal expansion, while ECM dysregulation facilitates metastatic dissemination in AML patients with TTMV::RARA. The further stratification of the 15 AML samples with TTMV::RARA utilizing the same unsupervised clustering approach revealed two distinct subgroups (Figure 3C). These subgroups were differentiated by the presence of isochromosome i(17)(q10), a chromosomal aberration detected in 5 patients (33.3%) through an integrated analysis of G-banding karyotyping and

transcriptomic data. Comparative transcriptomic analysis revealed that the i(17)(q10)positive subgroup (n=5)exhibited significant downregulation of 678 genes (fold-change > 2, adjusted p-value < 0.05) compared to the i(17)(q10) negative subgroup (n=10), with TP53 showing a 4.2 fold decrease (adjusted p-value = 0.003; Figure 3F). Pathway enrichment analysis (Gene Set Enrichment Analysis, GSEA) demonstrated that the i(17)(q10) positive subgroup was characterized by significant enrichment of pathways related to chromosome centromeric core domains (NES = -2.03, p<0.001) and DNA double strand break response (NES = -2.21, p<0.001) (Supplementary Fig. S5C). These findings, combined with the known role of TP53 in DNA repair, suggest a compromised DNA damage repair capacity in the i(17)(q10) positive subgroup. Notably, the prevalence of i(17)(q10) in AML is less than 1%^[27], highlighting the unique molecular landscape of AML with TTMV::RARA.

These unique features distinguish *TTMV::RARA* patients from those with classic APL and other AML subtypes, warranting further clinical and mechanistic investigation.

Treatments and Outcomes

An analysis of treatment response in AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* revealed an impressive overall complete remission (CR) rate of 96%

following induction therapy (Table 2). However, only 46% of patients achieved CR after the first treatment course. No early deaths occurred within 45 days after induction therapy, indicating a favorable tolerance to the initial therapy. AML patients with TTMV::RARA primarily received one of three initial induction regimens: all-trans retinoic acid combined with arsenic trioxide (ATRA+ATO, course duration >14 days, n=9), a short course of ATRA combined with chemotherapy (n=7), and standard AML induction chemotherapy (n=8). As shown in Table 2, the CR rates for the ATRA+ATO, short course ATRA with chemotherapy, and standard chemotherapy were 66.7%, 28.6%, and 50%, respectively, with overall response rates (ORR) of 88.9%, 71.4%, and 62.5%. Although Fisher's exact test did not reveal statistically significant differences in CR rates among the three treatment groups (p = 0.319), the ATRA+ATO group exhibited a relatively higher CR rate and OS compared to the other two groups (Supplementary Fig. S6A-C). The observed trends in treatment response indicate that the ATRA+ATO combination therapy might have a beneficial effect on inducing remission, thereby warranting further investigation with larger sample sizes. Notably, patients with isochromosome i(17)(q10) exhibited significant treatment resistance, with a CR rate of 16.7% (1/6) and ORR of 50% (3/6) (Table 2).

A total of 11 patients underwent hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT), including 10 allogeneic and 1 autologous HSCT cases. Among

them, 5 presented with myeloid sarcoma or central nervous system involvement, and 1 harbored the i(17q10) chromosomal abnormality, both of which represent high-risk prognostic markers. Clinical outcome analysis revealed that, of the 11 patients, one experienced relapse with multiorgan involvement and died 50 days post-transplantation, while another patient succumbed to disease progression 24 months post-transplantation. The remaining 9 patients were still alive at the last follow-up, with a median follow-up period of 36 months (ranging from 7.7 to 115.5 months). Notably, two of these patients remained in remission for 8 and 9 years post-transplantation, respectively.

Survival analysis revealed 2-year overall survival (OS), event-free survival (EFS), and relapse-free survival (RFS) rates were 84.6% (95% confidence interval [CI]: 59 - 94.8%), 53.6% (95% CI: 30.8 - 71.8%), and 53.8% (95% CI: 31.1 - 72%), respectively (Figure 4A-C). When compared to classical APL patients treated with ATRA+ATO^[28-29], AML with *TTMV::RARA* showed significantly lower EFS and RFS despite similar OS rates.

Discussion

This study systematically screened 2,553 cases of AML to provide evidence for the specific integration of TTMV into the human *RARA* gene within a large patient cohort. By integrating clinical and multi-omics data through an international multicenter collaboration, we achieved a thorough characterization of the structural features and clinical manifestations associated with the *TTMV::RARA* fusion gene, thereby providing critical evidence for the establishment of a precision medicine framework for this hematological malignancy

In contrast to the eight previously identified pathogenic viruses^[30], TTMV is the first single-stranded DNA virus shown to directly induce oncogenesis by creating a chimeric fusion oncogene. Its carcinogenic mechanism operates independently of classical pathways, such as the expression of viral oncoproteins, genomic instability, or dysregulation of the cell cycle^[31], thereby broadening the theoretical framework of viral oncogenesis and offering significant insights into the field of viral oncology.

Our analysis of TTMV integration patterns revealed two key characteristics. Firstly, TTMV can integrate into intron 2 of the *RARA* gene from any region of its own genome and exhibits significant heterogeneity in viral subtypes among different patients. This spatial

randomness and diversity of substrains pose challenges for clinical detection, highlighting the imperative for comprehensive viral integration screening in AML, particularly in cases exhibiting APL-like morphology. Secondly, we observed a marked predilection of TTMV for intron 2 of *RARA*, where we identified a recurrent integration hotspot, designating TTMV MN769771.1 as the predominant pathogenic subtype. MMEJ may be a significant mechanism facilitating this site-specific integration. These findings contribute to a deeper understanding of the interactions between viral and host genomes in leukemogenesis and carry clinical relevance. The identified recurrent integration patterns serve as a specific molecular signature that could aid in the development of diagnostic panels.

While earlier research indicated similarities between AML with *TTMV::RARA* and classical APL^[8-17], our investigation has confirmed the distinct clinical and molecular features of this subtype, aligning with the findings of Zhou et al^[32]. This subtype predominantly affects pediatric populations and is marked by a notable frequency of extramedullary involvement and recurrent i(17)(q10) abnormalities, which are infrequently observed in classical APL or other AML subtypes^[33]. Transcriptomic analysis has further delineated a unique gene expression profile, substantiating its classification as a separate disease entity.

Currently, there is no established induction therapy for this condition. Previous studies have indicated that the TTMV::RARA fusion protein exhibits a dose-dependent response to ATRA^[34], however, mutations within the ligand binding domain of *RARA* readily confer treatment resistance^[32]. Predictive protein structures of *TTMV::RARA* suggest that C55/C57/C59 residues in TTMV ORF may form arsenic binding sites, thereby conferring sensitivity to ATO^[16]. Our research provides direct clinical evidence supporting the efficacy of the ATRA+ATO in these patients, with a discernible trend toward enhanced overall survival, thereby supporting its potential as a first-line therapeutic option.

Utilizing unsupervised clustering analysis, we further categorized AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* into two subgroups exhibiting significant molecular heterogeneity, closely associated with clinical outcomes. The high-risk subgroup, distinguished by a prevalent occurrence of i(17)(q10) abnormalities, exhibited an extremely poor prognosis and a limited response to conventional therapies, including ATRA+ATO. Mechanistic studies revealed that this high-risk cohort displayed downregulated *TP53* expression and activated DNA damage repair pathways, which may contribute to its chemoresistant phenotype. Notably, HSCT demonstrated promising efficacy within this subgroup, presenting a viable strategy to address treatment challenges.

Although the sample size of this study remains limited, it represents one of the largest global cohorts of *TTMV::RARA* cases to date. Our observations regarding clinical manifestations, integration mechanisms, and therapeutic responses align closely with those reported in a separate, substantial cohort of *TTMV::RARA* cases^[32], reinforcing the validity of our conclusions and underscoring the importance of multicenter collaboration in studying rare hematological malignancies. To date, nearly 40 cases have been documented across two independent cohorts, indicating that the actual incidence of this malignancy is likely underestimated, primarily due to the absence of routine viral integration screening in current diagnostic workflows.

It should be acknowledged that the limited sample size has constrained the statistical power available for subgroup analyses. The frequency of *FLT3-ITD*, *NRAS/KRAS*, and *WT1* mutations in our cohort was lower than that in previously published cohorts^[32]. These variations may reflect underlying population heterogeneity, differences in enrollment criteria, or intrinsic molecular diversity of the disease. Consequently, future initiatives should aim to amalgamate data from multiple centers and increase sample sizes to systematically delineate the clinical-molecular spectrum of this condition and validate the risk stratification model proposed herein. Simultaneously, a thorough investigation of the leukemogenic mechanisms instigated by the TTMV::RARA fusion

protein, the development of highly sensitive diagnostic modalities and targeted therapeutics are paramount objectives for future research.

In conclusion, this study, through a comprehensive examination of the molecular mechanisms and clinical phenotypes associated with the *TTMV::RARA*, establishes it as a novel subtype of AML and proposes an initial risk-stratified diagnostic and therapeutic strategy. Given the unique biological behavior and poor prognosis associated with *TTMV::RARA* positive AML, we advocate for the inclusion of viral genomic testing within next-generation sequencing based clinical diagnostic protocols to enhance detection rates. We are currently conducting further mechanistic studies, with the goal of addressing these critical biological questions and providing more substantive evidence in the future.

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Table 1. Clinical characteristic of TTMV::RAR	A-AML patients (N=25)
Characteristic-no (%)	
$Age \le 18(y)$	18 (72)
Male	13 (52)
Clinical presentation-no (%)	
Fever	9 (36)
Bleeding	8 (32)
Blood tests -median (range)	
White blood cell count (×10^9/L)	7.88 (1-41.9)
Hemoglobin (×g/L)	88 (55-113)
Platelet count (×10^9/L)	94 (13-334)
PT (s)	13.55 (11.6-19.6)
APTT (s)	32.6 (23.6-48.2)
Fibrinogen (mg/dL)	196 (52-357)
D-dimer (ug/L)	10660 (1570-38440)
Morphology-no (%)	
APL-like cells -median (range)	77.5 (18.8-99.2)
Hypergranular	13 (52)
Hypogranular	2 (8)
Auer body	8 (32)
Cytogenetics-no (%)	
Normal karyotype	9 (36)
idic(17)(p11.2)	1 (4)
i17(q10)	4 (16)
i17(q10), +8	2 (8)
Others karyotype	8 (32)
Unkonwn	1 (4)
Myeloid sarcoma-no (%)	6 (24)
At diagnosis	4 (67)
At relapse	2 (33)
Central nervous system leukemia-no (%)	4 (16)
At diagnosis	3 (75)
At relapse	1 (25)

PT, Prothrombin Time; APTT, Activated Partial Thromboplastin Time.

Table 2. Response to treatment (N=25)	
CR-no. (%)	24 (96)
One cycle to CR	11 (46)
Two cycles to CR	11 (46)
>3 cycles to CR	2 (8)
Response to the first induction treatment	Value
ATRA+ATO-no. (%)	9
ORR	8 (88.9)
CR	6 (66.7)
PR	2 (22.2)
NR	1 (11. 1)
ATRA ¹ +others -no. (%)	7
ORR	5 (71.4)
CR	2 (28.6)
PR	3 (42.8)
NR	2 (28.6)
Standard AML induction chemotherapy-no. (%)	8
ORR	5 (62.5)
CR	4 (50)
PR	1 (12.5)
NR	3 (37.5)
Patients with i(17)(q10)	6
CR -no. (%)	6 (100)
One cycle to CR	1(16.7)
Two cycles to CR	3 (50)
>3 cycles to CR	2 (33.3)
Response to the first induction treatment-no. (%)	Value
ORR	3 (50)
CR	1 (16.7)
PR	2 (33.3)
NR	3 (50)
Outcomes	
OS rate (2 years,%)	84.6
EFS rate (2 years,%)	53.6
RFS rate (2 years,%)	53.8

CR, Complete Response; ATRA, All-Trans Retinoic Acid; ATO, Arsenic Trioxide; ORR, Objective Response Rate; PR, Partial Response;

NR: No Response; OS, Overall survival; EFS, Event-Free Survival; RFS, Relapse-Free Survival; ATRA¹ indicated that 3 of the 6 patients had a duration of ATRA therapy of less than 8 days, whether continuous or intermittent.

Figure legends

Figure 1. Study design for TTMV screening and characterization of *TTMV::RARA* in AML patients. This schematic illustrates the analytical pipeline for *TTMV::RARA* investigation in AML. Systematic analysis of 25 AML cases with *TTMV::RARA* fusions (10 newly identified from 2,553 screened patients and 15 from published reports) revealed distinct integration patterns of TTMV, along with unique transcriptional profiles and clinical manifestations of AML patients with *TTMV::RARA*.

Figure 2. Characteristics of TTMV virus insertion into the AML genome. (A) TTMV inserts into *RARA* intron 2 at different positions. The red shades indicate sequence homology between viral and host DNA at the insertion site, whereas the hotspot regions denote short genomic segments including insertion sites across multiple samples. (B) Types and proportions of TTMV virus substrains inserted into the *RARA* gene among 15 *TTMV::RARA* patients. (C) Diagram illustrates the potential alternative splicing pattern of the *RARA::TTMV::RARA* fusion gene. (D) The length (base pairs) distribution of retained intron 2 sequences before *RARA* exon 3 in the spliced *TTMV::RARA* fusion transcripts. Each column represents a *TTMV::RARA* sample.

Figure 3. The clinical characteristics and transcriptomic landscape of AML with TTMV::RARA. (A) The bone marrow aspirate morphology of patients with TTMV::RARA showed promyelocytes with mono- to bilobated nuclear contours with dense cytoplasmic purple granules. (B) The immunophenotypic features of patients with TTMV::RARA showed that the majority of leukemia cells expressed CD38, CD117, CD13, CD33 and MPO. A minority of samples expressed CD34, HLA-DR, CD11b. (C) The heatmap displayed the results of unsupervised clustering from the transcriptomic data between 15 TTMV::RARA patients, 53 PML::RARA patients, and 511 AML patients without TTMV::RARA or PML::RARA. (D-E) Volcano plots showed DEGs between TTMV::RARA patients with AML and classic APL, respectively. (F) Volcano plots showed DEGs between TTMV::RARA patients without i(17)(q10).

Figure 4. Clinical outcomes and treatment responses of AML patients with *TTMV::RARA* fusion gene. (A-C) The OS, EFS and RFS of AML patients with *TTMV::RARA*.

Figure 1

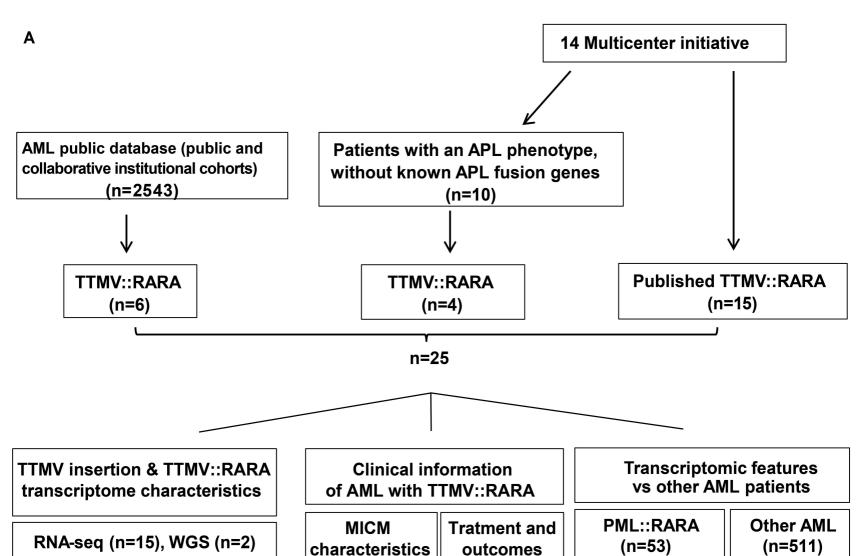


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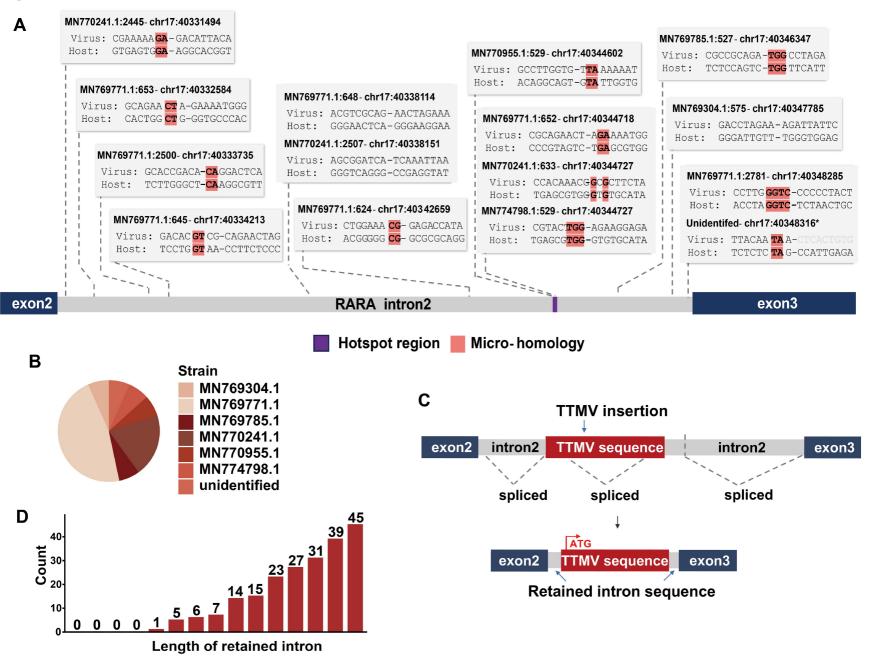


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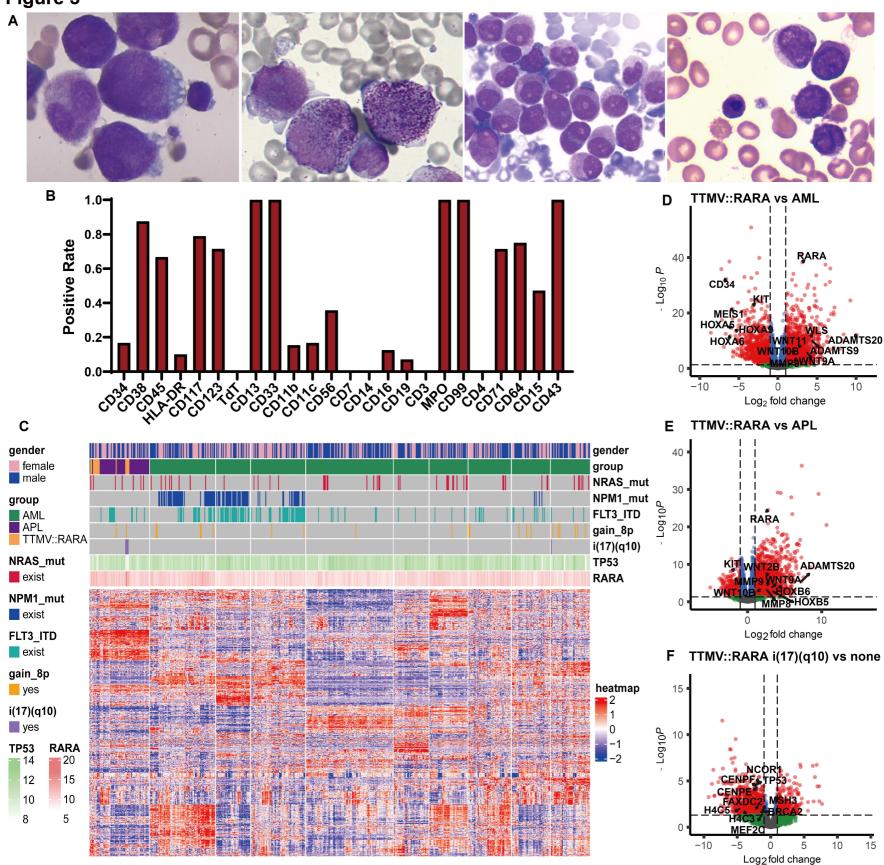
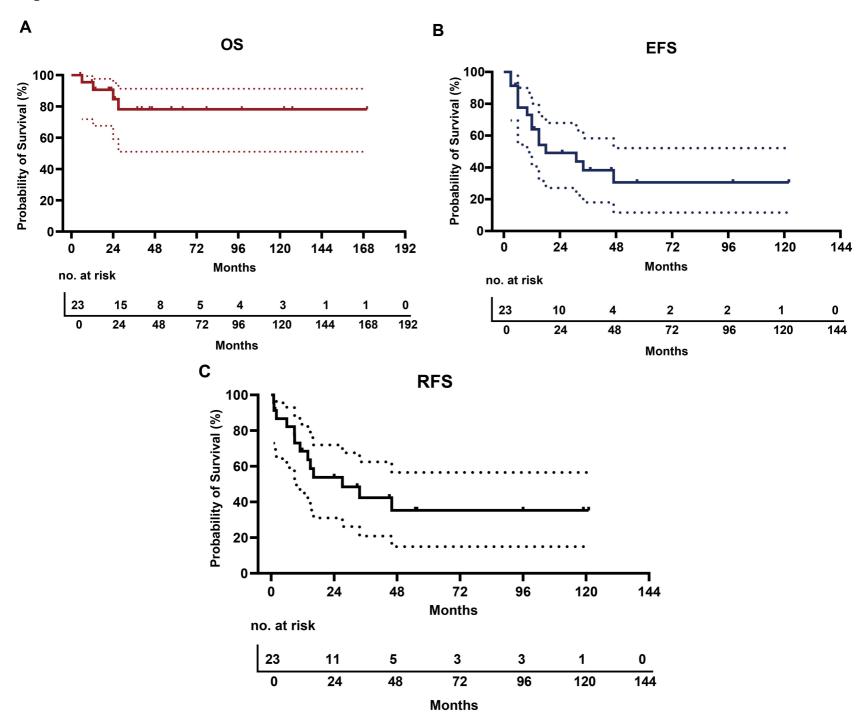


Figure 4



Supplementary Appendix

Title: The comprehensive landscape of *TTMV::RARA* fusion-driven acute myeloid leukemia: from viral integration mechanisms to clinical outcomes

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Supplementary Methods

RNA Sequencing and Variant Analysis

RNA sequencing (RNA-seq) data of leukemia samples were collected through public databases, projects or publications. Samples with ambiguous lineage or mixed/obscure phenotypes were classified into AML, B-ALL, and T-ALL subtypes based on unsupervised clustering of gene expression profiles.

Data pre-processing for RNA-seq primarily followed the GATK Best Practices pipeline^[1]. Raw RNA-seq sequences were aligned to the reference genome using STAR (v2.7.10a)^[2] for bam file generation. For WGS, BWA^[3] was used for alignment (v0.7.18) while GATK (v4.6.0)^[4] was applied to mark PCR duplicated reads, and perform base quality score recalibration for mutation analysis. Variant calling in leukemia samples was performed using HaplotypeCaller, VarScan (v2.4.4)^[5], and SpeedSeq (v0.1.2)^[6]. Variants identified by WGS and RNA-seq were combined for the same patient, and non-synonymous variants with a variant allele frequency (VAF) of at least 5% were retained. Gene fusions were identified using STAR-Fusion (v1.11.0), Arriba (v2.4.0)^[7], and FusionCatcher (v1.33) from RNA-seq data. For both mutation and fusion, only events detected by at least two tools were retained for further analysis. Arm-level copy number alterations were estimated using RNAseqCNV^[8], and FLT3-ITD events were identified using FiLT3r^[9] for RNA-seq samples.

TTMV Integration Detection and Annotation

Sequences of 6,806 TTMV genomes were collected from NCBI Virus and were used in this study. The latest release of the GRCh38 genome assembly was used as the host reference in this study. To achieve higher sensitivity, minimap2 (v2.2.6)^[10] was employed in single-end read

mode for reads mapping analysis. The generated PAF files were used to perform an initial selection of sequence alignment. Subsequently, viral-human sequence fusion events were identified using an in-house script inspired by the detectIS.pl script from the detectIS package^[11]. Potential chimeric reads were selected with following criteria: read alignment had more than one mapping blocks; alignment length was less than 90% of the read length; and the number of matching bases was at least 95% of the alignment length. For each sample, reads not properly aligning with the human genome were selected and further filtered by mapping to the TTMV genomes. The virus and human genome mapping results were integrated, and viral-human sequence integration sites were identified by matching alignment information from the same read, with a 3-base tolerance window. For each detected integration site, the corresponding reads were separated into viral and host regions. Reads with a mean quality lower than 90% of the overall sequencing quality in either single region was discarded. Integration sites identified in only one read were removed. Events with the same integration site were then combined.

For each identified TTMV-host integration event, supporting reads were selected and divided into two parts, resembling the viral sequence and the host sequence, respectively. An in-house function utilizing the dustyScore function in the ShortRead R package^[12] was used to remove low-quality sequences for both viral and host parts. A normalized dust score for the sequences from both sides was calculated, and integration events with the score greater than 0.4 on either side were excluded. Highly repetitive sequences present in over 10% of the samples among samples from either host or virus genomes were also excluded. Shared sequence between TTMV genomes and some artificial genomes were found in the preliminary tests, therefore, the reads perfectly matching FOSMID/BAC clones or other artificial vectors were excluded as a

last filter, resulting in reliable genomic insertion events. All integration events were double-checked by IGV^[13] visualization of corresponding bam files. Functions from the GViz R package^[14] were modified to illustrate mismatches (TTMV sequence) using the bam files.

For each sample with *TTMV::RARA* integration, all reads mapped to the TTMV genomes were assemblied by SPAdes (v4.0.0)^[15] using the --rnaviral parameter. Subsequently, the blastn algorithm was applied on the resulting contigs to find the closest match. Initial insertion sites were verified by paired RNA-seq and WGS data. For insertions with micro-homology, single-nucleotide level sites were determined utilizing reads covering same TTMV sequences from initial mRNA and spliced mRNA. According to prior knowledge, longest 3 ORFs were predicted by systemPipeR^[16] for the assigned TTMV genomes. The circlize R package^[17] was used for visualization of TTMV genomes.

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Supplementary Figure and legends

Fig. S1

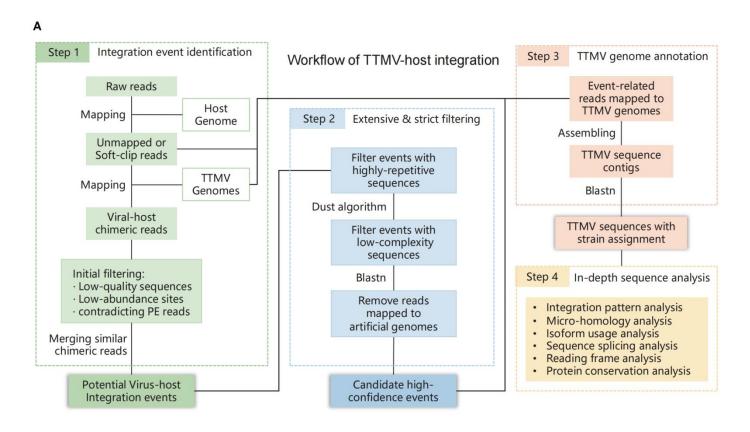


Fig. S1. Modular pipeline for the identification and analysis of virus - host integration events used in this study. A total of 2,553 samples were processed through Step 1 and Step 2 for initial filtering, and the remaining candidate events were subjected to further analysis in Step 3 and Step 4. Detailed methodology is provided in the Methods section.

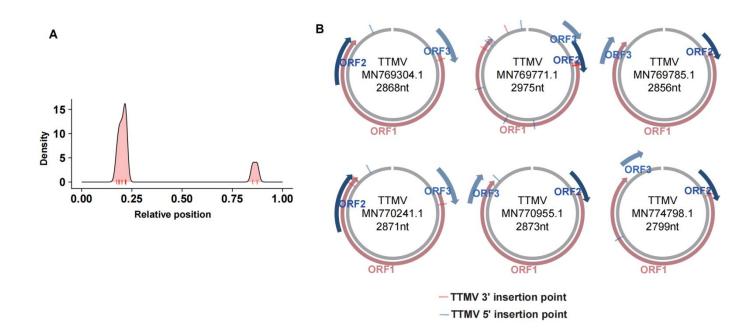


Fig. S2. Illustration of TTMV genomes and integration breakpoints. (A) Distribution of the relative genomic positions of the insertion points at the 3' end of the TTMV genome. The circular genomes are normalized at a [0, 1] interval. (B) The characteristics of the TTMV genomes and the integration sites with the human genome. Arrows indicate the start, end and transcription direction (arrowhead as 3') information for TTMV ORFs. The red lines represent insertion points at the 3' end of the TTMV genome, and the blue lines represent the 5' end insertion points.

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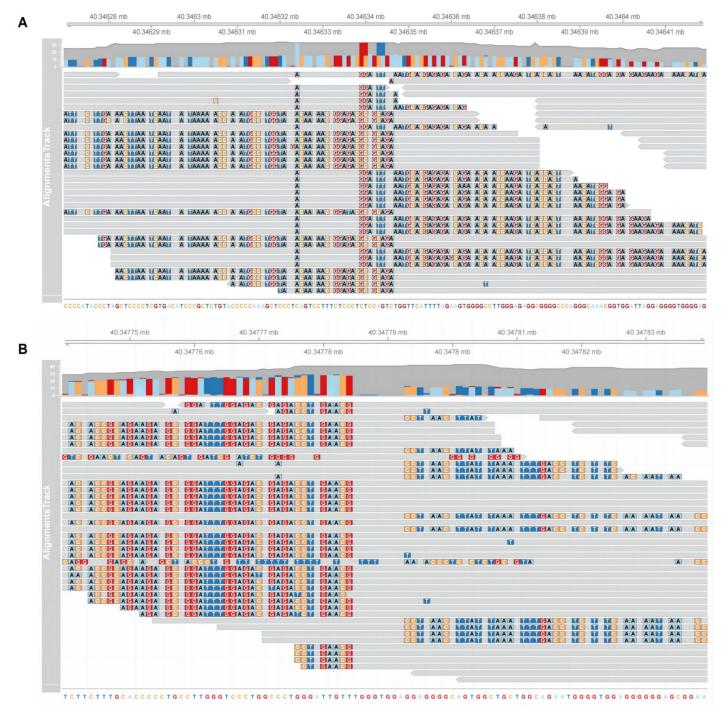


Fig. S3. The misalignment of the 3' and 5' breakpoints when TTMV integrates into the host genome. (A) The 5' breakpoint is positioned in the 3' direction relative to the 3' breakpoint, resulting in the loss of an intronic segment of the host genome. (B) The 5' breakpoint is positioned in the 5' direction relative to the 3' breakpoint, resulting in the duplication of an intronic segment in the host genome.

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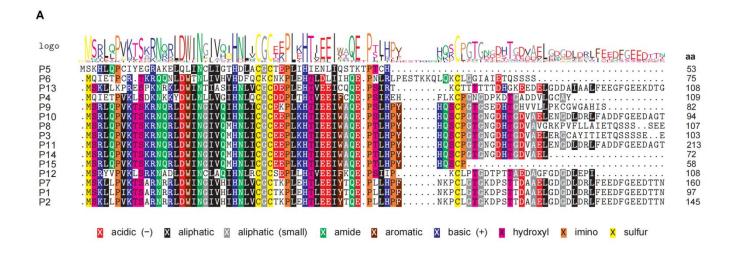


Fig. S4. Multiple sequence alignment of TTMV insertion sequences from the 15 samples. Residues were colored according to chemical properties of their functional groups. The right column indicates the amino acid lengths of TTMV sequence starting from the initial M residue.

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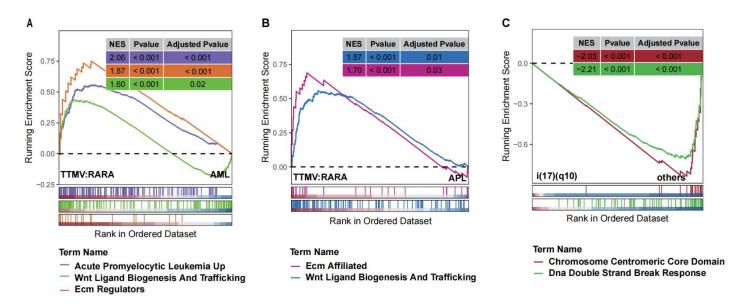


Fig. S5. Gene Set Enrichment Analysis. (A) Functional enrichment of upregulated pathway in AML with *TTMV::RARA* compared to typical AML. (B) Functional enrichment of upregulated pathway in AML with *TTMV::RARA* compared to typical APL. (C) Functional enrichment of downregulated pathway in *TTMV::RARA* patients with i(17)(q10) compared to non i(17)(q10).

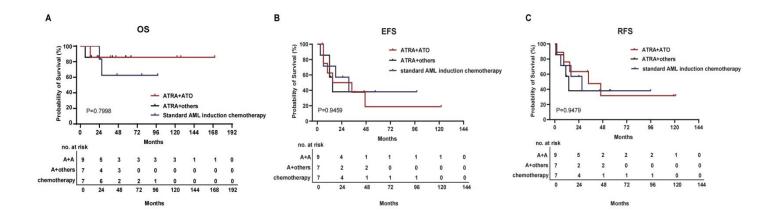


Fig. S6. Treatment outcomes of ATRA+ATO versus other therapies in AML with *TTMV::RARA*. (A) overall survival (OS). (B) Event-free survival (EFS). (C) Relapse-free survival (RFS). ATRA, all-trans retinoic acid; ATO arsenic trioxide.

Supplementary Table

Table S1

Data source	Publication
Beataml	PMID: 30333627
CRA001840	PMID: 32274301
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HRA000789	PMID: 35347147
HRA001135	PMID: 34513657
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phs000159	PMID: 28760689
the TARGET project	NA (phs000218)
the TCGA project	PMID: 23634996

Table S1: Sources of the 2,543 Public Database Samples. This table details the origin and relevant information of 2,543 samples downloaded from public databases for the study.

Table S2:

Patient ID	Insertion sequence before RARA exon 3	TTMV strain	Splicing	Status
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	GCCTTGCTTTGTCTGTCAGGACAAG		
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Table S2: Assembled sequences of *TTMV::RARA* transcripts from 15 patients. The table presents speculated inserted TTMV sequences for each sample. Given the possible post-insertion splicing events, both pre- and post-splicing reads may coexist in data. Therefore, it cannot be excluded that read assembly does not necessarily represent the final biological event. The "Splicing" column denotes this phenomenon, with "final transcript" representing high-confidence final sequences. For the nine patients where full-length sequences could not be well-reconstructed, we presented the assembled segment located upstream of the 3' insertion site.

Table S3

Table 83							
Sample ID	Gender	Group	8p gain	i(17)(q10)	NRAS mutation	FLT3-ITD	NPM1 mutation
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HRR719231	male	APL					
P12_2	male	TTMV::RARA			exist		
P4	female	TTMV::RARA					
P13	female	TTMV::RARA					
P2	male	TTMV::RARA					
P9	female	TTMV::RARA					
P15	female	TTMV::RARA					
P5	female	TTMV::RARA					
P6	male	TTMV::RARA					
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HRR719245	female	APL				exist	
HRR719232	male	APL				exist	
HRR719240	male	APL				exist	
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HRR719512	male	APL					
HRR719243	male	APL					
HRR719258	male	APL					
HRR719237	female	APL					
HRR719253	female	APL					
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HRR719255	male	APL			CAIGU		
HRR719266	male	APL					
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HRR719256	female	APL					
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P11	female	TTMV::RARA	yes	yes			
P7	male	TTMV::RARA		yes			
P10	male	TTMV::RARA		yes			
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HRR719239	female	APL					
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HRR719236	male	APL					
HRR719259	female	APL					
HRR719238	male	APL					
HRR719252	male	APL					
HRR719225	female	APL			exist		
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HRR719265	female	APL					
HRR719018	male	APL			exist		
HRR719248	male	APL				exist	
HRR719233	female	APL					
HRR719241	male	APL					
HRR719227	female	APL					
HRR719230	male	APL					
HRR719247	female	APL					
HRR718864	male	AML					
HRR718920	male	AML			exist		
HRR718896	male	AML					
HRR719104	male	AML					
HRR719008	male	AML					
HRR719500	male	AML					
HRR719484	male	AML					
HRR718923	female	AML	yes				
HRR719271	male	AML	yes				
HRR719183	male	AML					
HRR719163	female	AML					exist
HRR719027	female	AML					exist
HRR719281	female	AML					
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Table S3: Clinical and Molecular Characteristics of AML, APL and *TTMV::RARA* **Samples Used for Differential Gene Expression.** The table lists the sample IDs (indicating data sources), gender, group classification, and key genetic alterations for each sample. These samples were used for differential gene expression analysis and unsupervised clustering to explore the molecular landscape of AML with TTMV::RARA and its distinction from classical APL and AML. For mutation events, only hotspot mutations (e.g. W288Cfs*12 for NPM1, G12D or G12V for NRAS) with VAF > 0.1 were presented in this table.