

## Safety and efficacy of the BNT162b mRNA COVID-19 vaccine in patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia

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## Supplements:

Table S1: Side effects following BNT162b2 mRNA Covid-19 Vaccine in patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia

| SIDE EFFECTS  | Immune response        |                       | Total<br>n=373 | Odds ratio<br>(95% CI) | p-value |
|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|------------------------|---------|
|               | Present<br>n=160 (43%) | Absent<br>n=213 (57%) |                |                        |         |
| No            | 78 (43%)               | 102 (57%)             | 180            | 1 (ref)                |         |
| Grade 1       | 62 (45%)               | 76 (55%)              | 138            | 1.0668 (0.68-1.67)     | 0.78    |
| Grade 2       | 6 (46%)                | 7 (54%)               | 13             | 1.1209 (0.36-3.47)     | 0.84    |
| Not available | 14                     | 28                    | 42             | -----                  | ---     |
| Fever         |                        |                       |                |                        |         |
| No            | 129 (43%)              | 174 (57%)             | 303            | 1 (ref)                |         |
| Grade 1       | 7 (50%)                | 7 (50%)               | 14             | 1.3488 (0.46-3.94)     | 0.58    |
| Grade 2       | 8 (67%)                | 4 (33%)               | 12             | 2.6977 (0.8-9.15)      | 0.1     |
| Not available | 16                     | 28                    | 44             | -----                  | ---     |
| Rash          |                        |                       |                |                        |         |
| No            | 140 (44%)              | 178 (56%)             | 318            | 1 (ref)                |         |
| Grade 1       | 4 (67%)                | 2 (33%)               | 6              | 2.5429 (0.46-14.08)    | 0.27    |
| Grade 2       | 1 (20%)                | 4 (80%)               | 5              | 0.3179 (0.04-2.88)     | 0.28    |
| Not available | 15                     | 29                    | 44             | -----                  | ---     |
| Pain          |                        |                       |                |                        |         |
| No            | 98 (45%)               | 122 (55%)             | 220            | 1 (ref)                |         |
| Grade 1       | 38 (42%)               | 53 (58%)              | 91             | 0.8926 (0.54-1.46)     | 0.65    |
| Grade 2       | 5 (36%)                | 9 (64%)               | 14             | 0.6916 (0.22-2.13)     | 0.52    |
| Not available | 19                     | 29                    | 48             | -----                  | ---     |
| Muscle Pain   |                        |                       |                |                        |         |
| No            | 138 (44%)              | 179 (56%)             | 317            | 1 (ref)                |         |
| Grade 1       | 5 (56%)                | 4 (44%)               | 9              | 1.6214 (0.43-6.15)     | 0.47    |
| Grade 2       | 1 (33%)                | 2 (67%)               | 3              | 0.6486 (0.06-7.23)     | 0.72    |
| Not available | 16                     | 28                    | 44             | -----                  | ---     |

Table S2: Adverse event ratio according to treatment status.

| Treatment Status   | Adverse Event Present | Adverse Event Absent | Total | Odds ratio (95% CI) | p-value |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------|---------------------|---------|
| Naïve Treatment    | 80 (57%)              | 60 (43%)             | 140   | 1 (ref)             |         |
| Currently treated  | 46 (43%)              | 60 (57%)             | 106   | 0.575 (0.35-0.96)   | 0.0327  |
| Previously treated | 25 (29%)              | 60 (71%)             | 85    | 0.313 (0.18-0.55)   | 0.0001  |

Table S3: Predictive Performance using both LASSO regression and simple risk model:

| <b>Model</b>      | <b>AUC</b>  | <b>Classification accuracy (%)</b> | <b>Sensitivity (%)</b> | <b>Specificity (%)</b> |
|-------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| LASSO regression  | 0.747± 0.07 | 67.67%±8.78%                       | 59.7%±6.52%            | 73.8±8.22%             |
| Simple Risk Model | 0.739±0.04  | 67.51%±5.62%                       | 63.9%±5.95%            | 71%±5.5%               |

### **External Validation for Scoring Model**

The proposed scoring model was performed initially by applying the cohort to the first 297 patients enrolled for model construction using 10 folds cross-validation, and subsequently on two independent external cohorts that were obtained from two new centers: 34 patients from the Galilee Medical Center and 36 patients from Kaplan Medical Center (70 patients in total). Figure S1 presents the percentage of patients that developed positive response in each risk group. As expected, the high-score group yields the highest response rate (86% vs 17% in the low score group). While model prediction performance often decreases during external validation, we observed improved discrimination capabilities both in terms of AUC (=0.821) and classification accuracy (=74%), which are slightly better than the corresponding reported values in the internal 10-folds cross-validation (AUC=0.73, Accuracy=67%). This may be due to the fact that 53% of the patients in the external cohort were therapy naïve (vs. 40.3% in the original cohort), for whom a prediction is more accurate.

Scoring Model and Response Rate on Validation Set

