

Background

- Mesenchymal chondrosarcoma
- A rare high-grade variant
- Associated with poorer oncologic outcomes
- Effectiveness of adjuvant therapies has not been clearly proven [1–3,5,6]

Methods and Materials

- Retrospective series. Pts from 1974-2019
- 23 of 694 (3.3%) chondrosarcoma cases during this period
- 20 with >1y fu included for survival analysis
- 13 presented with extra skeletal disease
- 3 pts with HEY1-NCOA2 fusion gene [4]
- Median fu :4.2 years (Range 1.1-24.6y).
- 11 of 20 pts underwent chemotherapy (CTX); 7 Adriamycin-based
- 11 of 20 patients underwent radiation (RT); 9 had extra-skeletal disease.
- 15 pts who presented with localized disease were analyzed separately

Results

- OS rate: 48.0% at 5y , 30.0% at 10y. Median: 4.5y. (Fig. 2a)
- Metastatic disease and tumors staged AJCC stage T2 or above associated with poorer survival (Fig. 1)
- Trend of better survival in patients who received CTX (p=0.051) (Fig. 2b).
- In patients with localized disease on presentation, the OS was 54.5% at 5 yrs and 39.0% at 10 yrs.
- 5-year OS: 72.9% in the CTX group & 37.5% in the non-CTX group (Fig 3b)
- HR of mortality of 0.20 (95% CI: 0.041-0.962) in pts who received CTX (p= 0.045)
- No other factors had sig. associations with OS

Factor assessed	p value
Local recurrence	0.996
Presence of metastasis	0.000765
Metastatic disease on presentation	0.264
Age <30	0.986
Gender	0.158
Axial disease	0.142
Extra skeletal disease	0.599
Use of chemotherapy	0.051
Use of radiotherapy	0.978
Surgery performed	0.39
Surgical margins negative	0.442
Tumor Stage AJCC ≥T2	0.0175

Figure 1: Factors assessed for effect on OS by log rank test

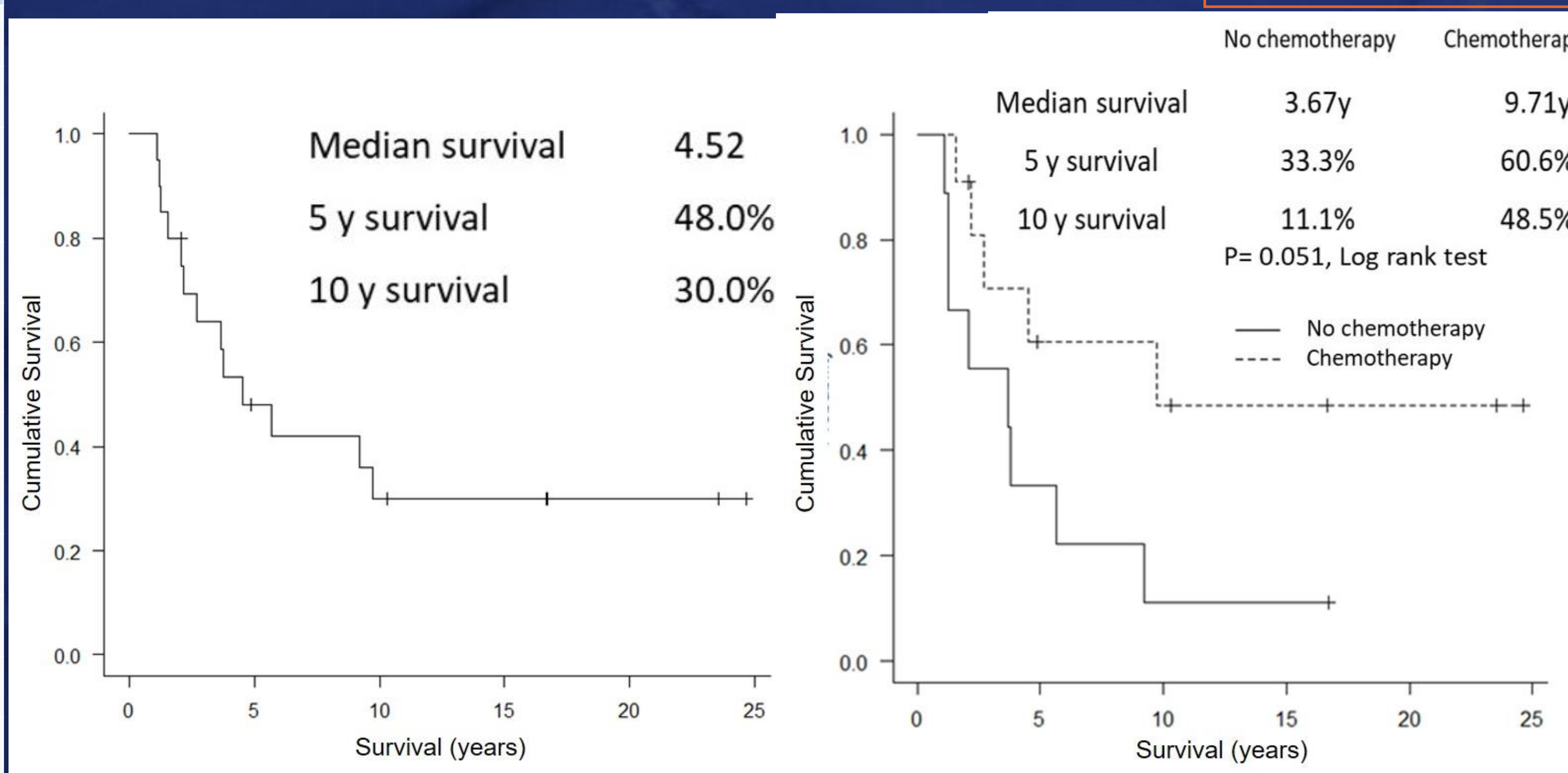


Figure 2: Kaplan–Meier curve of overall survival of (a) whole study population and (b) comparing patient subgroups who did and did not receive chemotherapy

Discussion

- Our study: Similar survival rates to those published
 - 51-70% for five yrs and 15-56% at 10 yrs [1, 5–8]
- Survival benefit of CTX in pts presenting with localized disease; 5X higher chance of mortality in non-CTX pts
 - Similar to some studies [5, 6], but not to others [1, 8]
- Limitations: Study size, different CTX regimens
- This study supports the use of adjuvant chemotherapy in patients with mesenchymal chondrosarcoma presenting with localized disease.

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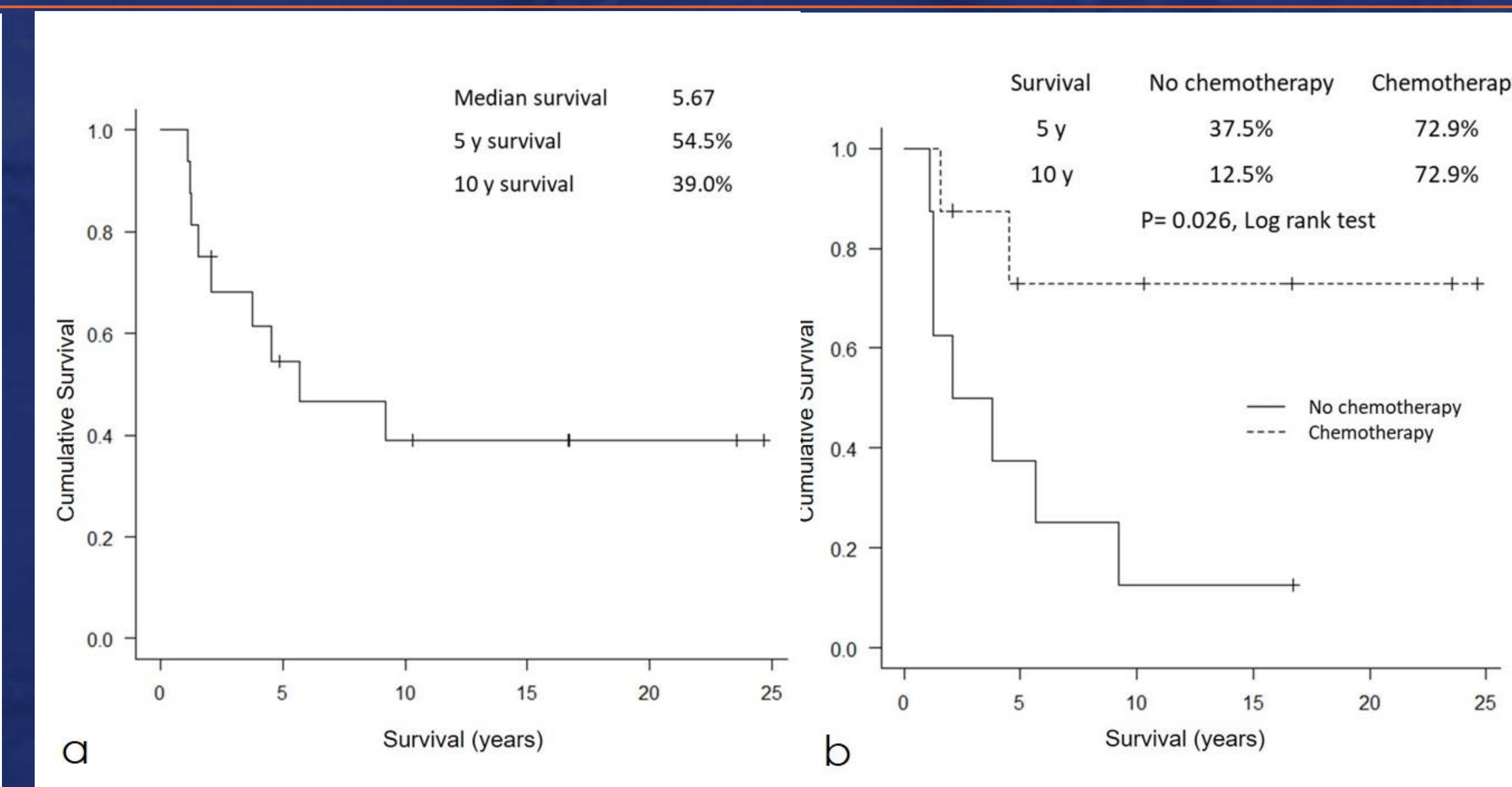


Figure 3: Kaplan–Meier curve of overall survival in patients with localized disease on presentation of (a) as a group and (b) comparing patient subgroups who did and did not receive chemotherapy