

Practically you are looking @ CMPD

Normally 4 CMPDs are common

CML, PV, ET, PMF [CML being frequent]

In the present case

PV not possible - Hb 13.5  
ET not possible - PLT 4.4

So possibly looking at CML

Confirmation of diagnosis

1. bcr abl by PCR or FISH

Other tests

Bone marrow aspiration & biopsy + Karyotyping

LFT  
RFT  
TLS  
Vital markers

PCR had advantages over FISH

- 1. Faster, slightly less costlier
- 2. We know transcript type (p210, p190 or p230)
- 3. Well defined time points for monitoring

Advantages of FISH

- 1. can sometimes be positive even if PCR negative (unknown transcripts can be identified)

Importance of karyotyping

- 1. Knowing additional chromosomal abnormalities
- 2. if bcr abl negative monitoring can be done by cytogenetic response

Helps in monitoring and important in planning TR to know transcript type

Bone marrow aspiration & biopsy

mandatory @ diagnosis

Phase migration (cp to ap on bc) can happen sometimes

1. TO know exact phase of disease
2. collect good sample for cytogenetics (we want get good quality metaphases)
3. myelofibrosis grade can be assessed

major concern

presence of major route abnormalities (double ph, Trisomy 8, Trisomy 19, isochromosome 17q)

Some data to say higher grade of 2° myelofibrosis → lead to frequent cytopenias → dose reductions → less MMR

may have impact on attaining optimal response and survival

So, in such cases → r/o CML by all possible methods PCR, cytogenetics and FISH before concluding it's not CML

if negative other DDs work up can be done