

Integrated Case Based Discussion

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History

2 years old child with

- Fever
- Recurrent infections
- Bleeding nose
- Poor weight gain
- Maculopapular rash.

Physical examination

- Pallor
- Lymphadenopathy
- Moderate hepatomegaly
- Massive splenomegaly
- Maculopapular rash
- Skin nodules
- Ophthalmoscopy:
 - ✓ Optic disc changes
 - ✓ Tiny tan colored spots on the Iris.

Laboratory Findings

- Hb: 7gm%
- TWBC count: 1.1lakh/cumm
- Smear: WBC precursor cells with monocytosis

Questions

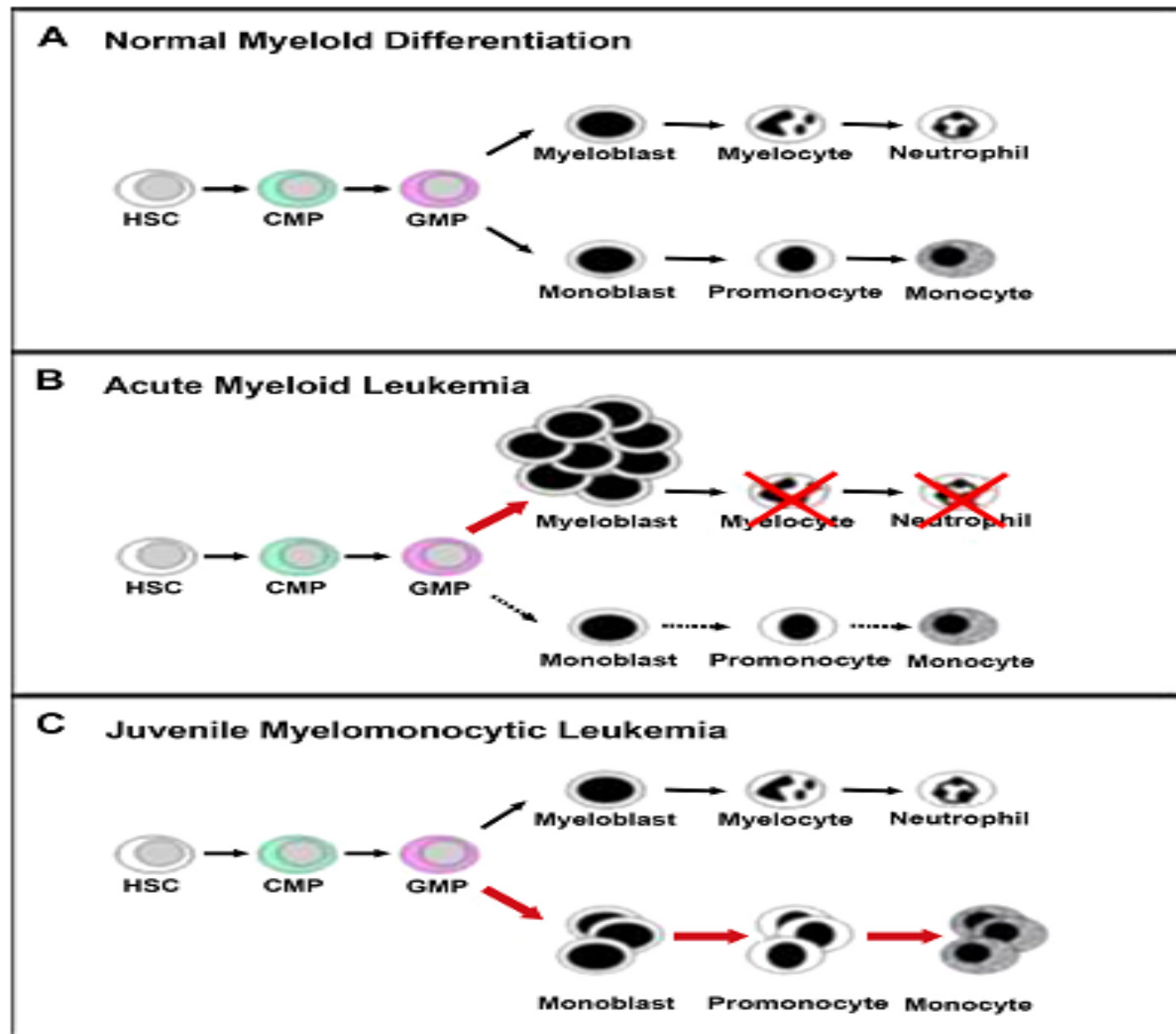


Fig. 1. Schematic diagram of (A) normal hematopoietic differentiation; (B) accumulation of undifferentiated myeloblasts representing acute myeloid leukemia; and (C) increased production of monocytic cells along the full spectrum of differentiation, including blast forms, promonocytes, monocytes, and macrophages, as observed in juvenile myelomonocytic leukemia. CMP, common myeloid progenitor; GMP, granulocyte monocyte progenitor; HSC, hematopoietic stem cell. (From Chan RJ, Cooper T, Kratz CP, et al. Juvenile myelomonocytic leukemia: a report from the 2nd International JMML Symposium. *Leuk Res* 2009;33(3):356; with permission.)

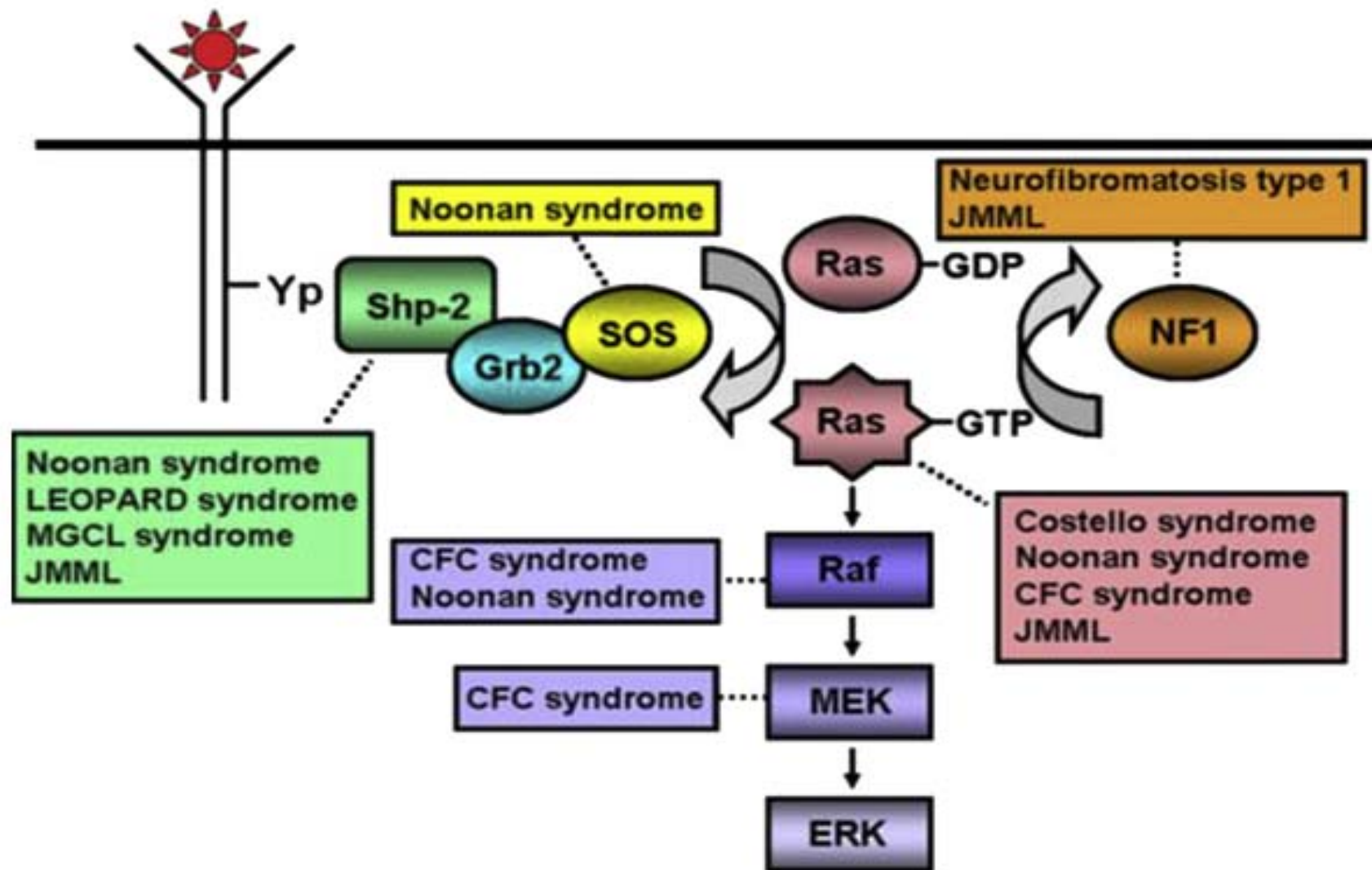


Fig. 2. Schematic diagram showing ligand-stimulated Ras activation, the Ras-Erk pathway, and the gene mutations found to date contributing to the neurocardio-facio-cutaneous congenital disorders and JMML. CFC, cardia-facio-cutaneous; NL/MGCL, Noonan-like/multiple giant cell lesion. (From Chan RJ, Cooper T, Kratz CP, et al. Juvenile myelomonocytic leukemia: a report from the 2nd International JMML Symposium. *Leuk Res* 2009;33(3): 357; with permission.)

Table 1
Juvenile myelomonocytic leukemia diagnostic criteria

| Category 1 | Category 2 | Category 3 |
|---|---|--|
| All of the following Splenomegaly ^a Absolute monocyte count >1000/ μ L Blasts in peripheral blood/ bone marrow <20% Absence of the t(9;22) <i>BCR/</i> <i>ABL</i> fusion gene | At least one of the following Somatic mutation in <i>RAS</i> or <i>PTPN11</i> Clinical diagnosis of NF-1 or <i>NF1</i> gene mutation Homozygous mutation in <i>CBL</i> Monosomy 7 | At least two of the following circulating myeloid precursors White blood cells >10,000/ μ L Increased fetal hemoglobin for age Clonal cytogenetic abnormality excluding monosomy 7 GM-CSF hypersensitivity |

The diagnosis of JMML can be made if a patient meets all of the Category 1 criteria and one of the Category 2 criteria. If there are no Category 2 criteria met, then the Category 3 criteria must be met.

^a For the 7% to 10% of patients without splenomegaly, the diagnostic criteria must include all other features in Category 1 plus either one of the parameters in Category 2 or two features in Category 3.

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