## Supplemental Online Content

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This supplemental material has been provided by the authors to give readers additional information about their work.

eMethods: Definitions of variables used in the analysis

Definitions						
Education	Data on highest attained education level were obtained from the Danish Educational registries. As a crude proxy for socioeconomic status, educational level was divided into two groups using Statistics Denmark's classification of education. The high-SES and low-SES group was defined as the education categories:  • H40-H80, equivalent to the International Standard Classification of Educatio 2011 (ISCED-2011) level 4-8  • H10-H35, equivalent to ISCED-2011 level 0-3					
Income	Data on equivalized family income, a measure of disposable income, were collected from the Danish income registry. Income was calculated as the average of the yearly income 1 to 5 years prior to diagnosis, e.g., if the patient was diagnosed at any time point in 2021, we used the average yearly income from 2016-2020. This number was for each patient dichotomized into a high-SES and low-SES group by whether the income was above or below the median income for the same calendar year and age, given the whole Danish population.					
Comorbidity	A modified Charlson comorbidity index (CCI) was calculated based on diagnosis codes given in relation to hospital admissions and medicine administrations by pharmacies. The CCI was constructed without age and cancer diagnoses and was divided into four groups $(0, 1, 2, \text{ and } \ge 3)$ .					
Disease specific prognostic index	Disease-specific prognostic variables were collected from clinical registries. The disease-specific prognostic indices were grouped as follows: MM: ISS (International Staging System for multiple myeloma) as favorable (stage I), intermediate (stage II), and adverse (stage III); AML: Grimwade cytogenetic classification as favorable, intermediate, and adverse; DLBCL: IPI (International Prognostic Index for DLBCL) as favorable (0-1), intermediate (2-3), and adverse (4-5).					

Socioeconomic status (SES) - High - Low В С MM 2005 - 2009 AML 2005 - 2009 DLBCL 2005 - 2009 50% 2-yrOS by SES High: 86.8% Low: 77.8% 2-yrOS by SES High: 81.1% Low: 77.9% 100 252 91 225 43 104 116 311 AML 2010 - 2014 **DLBCL** 2010 - 2014 MM 2010 - 2014 25% 129 283 119 263 109 244 60 106 59 102 184 427 MM 2015 - 2020 AML 2015 - 2020 DLBCL 2015 - 2020 75% 50% 50% 50% 25% 25% Log-rank p = 0.77 Log-rank p = 0.57 34 53 68 110 50 73 AML all DLBCL all 75% 50% 50% 25% 2-yrOS by SES High: 60.3% Low: 42.5% Log-rank p = 0.41 Log-rank p < 0.001 Log-rank p < 0.001 No. at risk No. at risk

eFigure 1: All periods and unstratified Kaplan-Meier curves for overall survival

A) MM, multiple myeloma, B) AML, acute myeloid leukemia and, C) DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma.

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Abbreviations: OS, Overall survival; SES, socioeconomic status. P-values from Log-rank tests. Censoring marked by vertical line.

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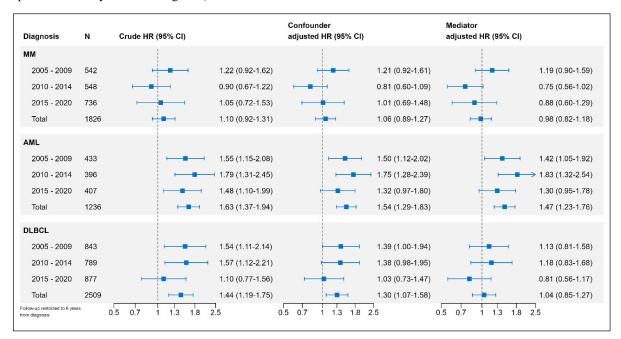
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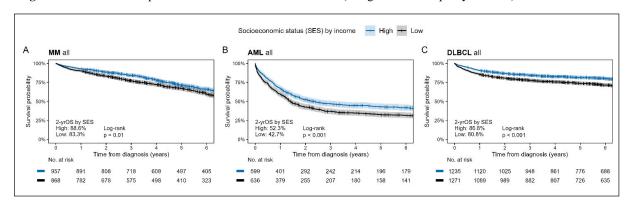
**eFigure 2:** Estimated hazard ratios from uni- and multivariable Cox regressions for socioeconomic differences (follow-up restricted to 6 years from diagnosis)



Abbreviations: MM, multiple myeloma; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

HR is estimated using high-SES patients (completion of tertiary education) as reference. The confounder-adjusted model includes age and sex, the mediator-adjusted model includes age, sex, performance score, comorbidity, and disease specific prognostic index.

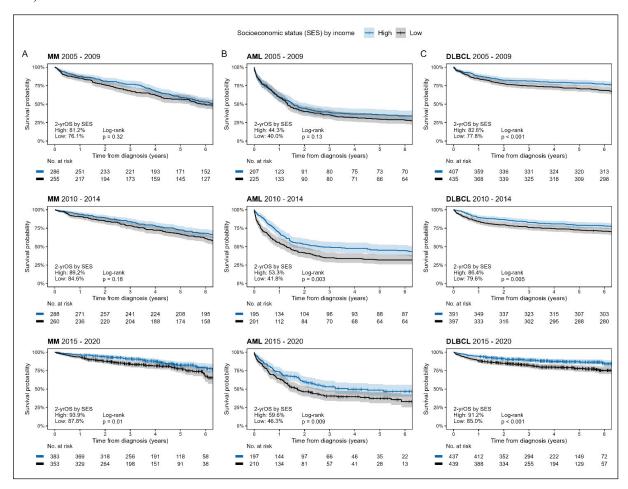
eFigure 3: Unstratified Kaplan-Meier curves for overall survival (using income as a proxy for SES)



A) MM, multiple myeloma, B) AML, acute myeloid leukemia, and C) DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma.

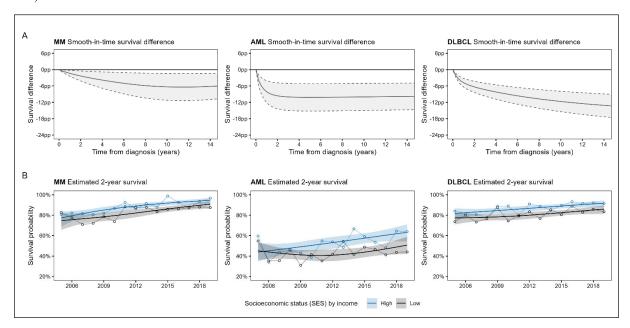
Abbreviations: OS, Overall survival; SES, socioeconomic status. P-values from Log-rank tests. Censoring marked by vertical line.

**eFigure 4:** Overall survival probability by socioeconomic status and year of diagnosis (using income as a proxy for SES)



**A)** MM, multiple myeloma, **B)** AML, acute myeloid leukemia and, **C)** DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma. P-values from Log-rank tests. Censoring marked by vertical line.

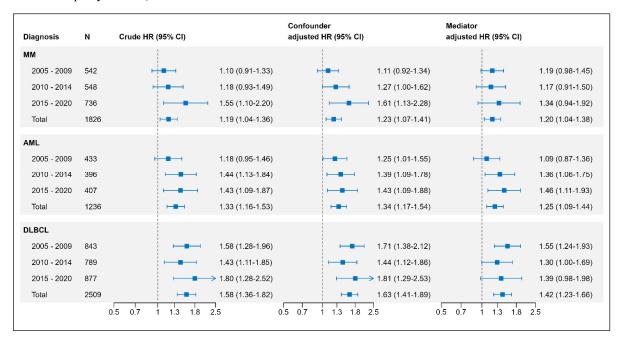
**eFigure 5:** Estimated socioeconomic differences using flexible parametric survival models (using income as a proxy for SES)



A) Estimated survival difference using flexible parametric survival models 2005 - 2022. B) Percentage of 2-year survival through time, raw (points) and smoothed using predictions from a flexible parametric survival model for patients diagnosed from 2005 - 2019 (allows 2-year follow-up).

Abbreviations: MM, multiple myeloma; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; pp, percentage point.

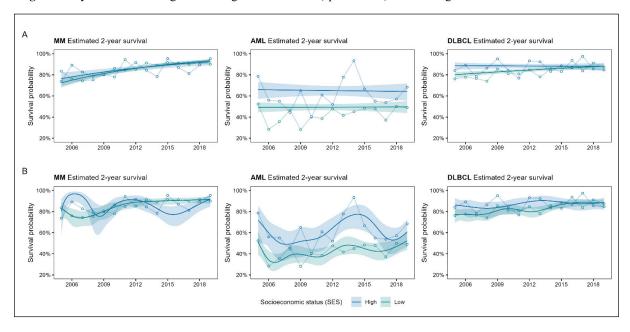
**eFigure 6:** Estimated hazard ratios from uni- and multivariable Cox regressions for socioeconomic differences (using income as a proxy for SES)



Abbreviations: MM, multiple myeloma; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

HR are estimated using high-SES patients (completion of tertiary education) as reference. The confounder-adjusted model includes age and sex, the mediator-adjusted model includes age, sex, performance score, comorbidity, and disease specific prognostic index.

eFigure 7: 2-year survival using 1 and 6 degrees of freedom (spline knots) in modeling of the baseline hazard



Percentage of 2-year survival through time, discrete (points) and smoothed using a flexible parametric survival model for patients diagnosed from 2005 – 2019 (allows 2-year follow-up) for **A)** 1 degree of freedom, **B)** 6 degrees of freedom.

eTable 1: Patient characteristics by socioeconomic status (using income as a proxy for SES)

	ММ			AML			DLBCL		
Characteristic	Low-SES (n=868)	High-SES (n=958)	Р	Low-SES (n=636)	High-SES (n=599)	Р	Low-SES (n=1272)	High-SES (n=1235)	Р
Sex No. (%)			0.23			0.38			0.04
Female	391 (45.0)	403 (42.1)		312 (49.1)	278 (46.4)		538 (42.3)	471 (38.1)	
Male	477 (55.0)	555 (57.9)		324 (50.9)	321 (53.6)		734 (57.7)	764 (61.9)	
Age median (IQR)	58 (53-62)	59 (54-63)		57 (47-62)	56 (47-62)		57 (49-62)	57 (49-62)	
Age group No. (%)			0.29			0.86			0.05
25-39 years	17 (2.0)	19 (2.0)		80 (12.6)	81 (13.5)		107 (8.4)	135 (10.9)	
40-54 years	250 (28.8)	243 (25.4)		195 (30.7)	178 (29.7)		410 (32.2)	368 (29.8)	
55-65 years	601 (69.2)	696 (72.7)		361 (56.8)	340 (56.8)		755 (59.4)	732 (59.3)	
WHO-PS No. (%)			<0.001			<0.001			<0.001
0	346 (39.9)	471 (49.2)		259 (40.7)	306 (51.1)		687 (54.0)	792 (64.1)	
1	319 (36.8)	290 (30.3)		257 (40.4)	226 (37.7)		377 (29.6)	303 (24.5)	
≥2	198 (22.8)	185 (19.3)		120 (18.9)	67 (11.2)		204 (16.0)	137 (11.1)	
Immigration No. (%)			<0.001			<0.001			<0.001
Danish	753 (86.8)	922 (96.2)		563 (88.5)	576 (96.2)		1098 (86.3)	1175 (95.1)	
Non-Danish	115 (13.2)	36 (3.8)		73 (11.5)	23 (3.8)		174 (13.7)	60 (4.9)	
Disease-specific prognostic index <sup>a</sup> No. (%)			0.66			0.85			0.76
Favorable	287 (33.1)	325 (33.9)		47 (7.4)	38 (6.3)		518 (40.7)	513 (41.5)	
Intermediate	272 (31.3)	289 (30.2)		309 (48.6)	286 (47.7)		566 (44.5)	558 (45.2)	
Adverse	104 (12.0)	130 (13.6)		154 (24.2)	152 (25.4)		53 (4.2)	48 (3.9)	
Missing	205 (23.6)	214 (22.3)		126 (19.8)	123 (20.5)		135 (10.6)	116 (9.4)	
Charlson comorbidity index No. (%)			<0.001			<0.001			<0.001
0	517 (59.6)	672 (70.1)		418 (65.7)	469 (78.3)		768 (60.4)	888 (71.9)	
1	184 (21.2)	149 (15.6)		146 (23.0)	91 (15.2)		281 (22.1)	234 (18.9)	
2	101 (11.6)	96 (10.0)		31 (4.9)	25 (4.2)		108 (8.5)	47 (3.8)	
≥ 3	66 (7.6)	41 (4.3)		41 (6.4)	14 (2.3)		115 (9.0)	66 (5.3)	
Time period No. (%)			0.91			0.93			0.79
2005 - 2009	255 (29.4)	287 (30.0)		225 (35.4)	207 (34.6)		436 (34.3)	407 (33.0)	
2010 - 2014	260 (30.0)	288 (30.1)		201 (31.6)	195 (32.6)		397 (31.2)	391 (31.7)	
2015 - 2020	353 (40.7)	383 (40.0)		210 (33.0)	197 (32.9)		439 (34.5)	437 (35.4)	

Abbreviations: IQR, interquartile range; SES, socioeconomic status; WHO-PS, WHO performance score; MM, multiple myeloma; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; DLBCL, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma. P-values calculated from Chi-squared test between high-SES group and low-SES group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Disease-specific prognostic index were categorized as follows. AML: Cytogenetic risk category (Grimwade et al., 2009), Favorable (see ref), Intermediate (see ref), Adverse (see ref). DLBCL: IPI (International Prognostic Index for DLBCL), favorable (0-1), intermediate (2-3), Adverse (4-5). MM: ISS (International Staging System for multiple myeloma), Favorable (stage I), Intermediate (stage II), Adverse (stage III).