



# Blood-based Proteomic Profiling Identifies OSMR as a Novel Biomarker

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## Background

Risk stratification in acute myeloid leukemia (AML) is critical to tailor timely induction therapy. The most widely utilized risk stratification approach is the European LeukemiaNet (ELN) that usually requires bone marrow biopsy and genomic testing. Inflammation is increasingly recognized as a critical factor in AML. Novel biomarkers from robust blood-based tests are needed to accurately and efficiently risk stratify patients with newly diagnosed AML.

## Methods

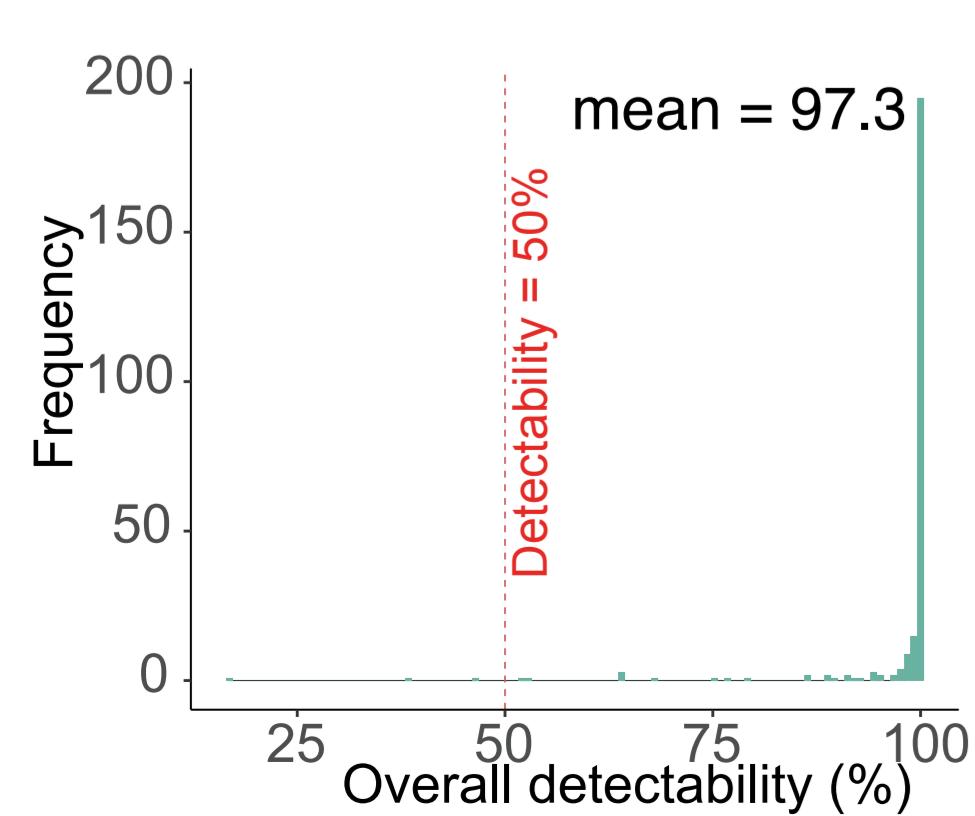
- Inflammatory proteome was evaluated through blood-based proteomic profiling of 251 soluble inflammatory proteins using Nucleic acid Linked Immuno-Sandwich Assay (NULISA), a proximity-ligation assay based on NGS or PCR allowing attomolar ( $10^{-18}$ ) detection in 543 newly diagnosed AML patients
- Multivariable cox models with L1 regularization were used to test the independent prognostic ability. A seven-protein prognostic score (Leukemia Inflammatory Risk Score, LIRS) was developed
- Model performance was assessed by cumulative concordance index (C-index) and time-dependent area under the curve (tdAUC).
- Findings were validated in internal and external cohorts, including a prospective cohort of newly diagnosed AML patients.

## Results

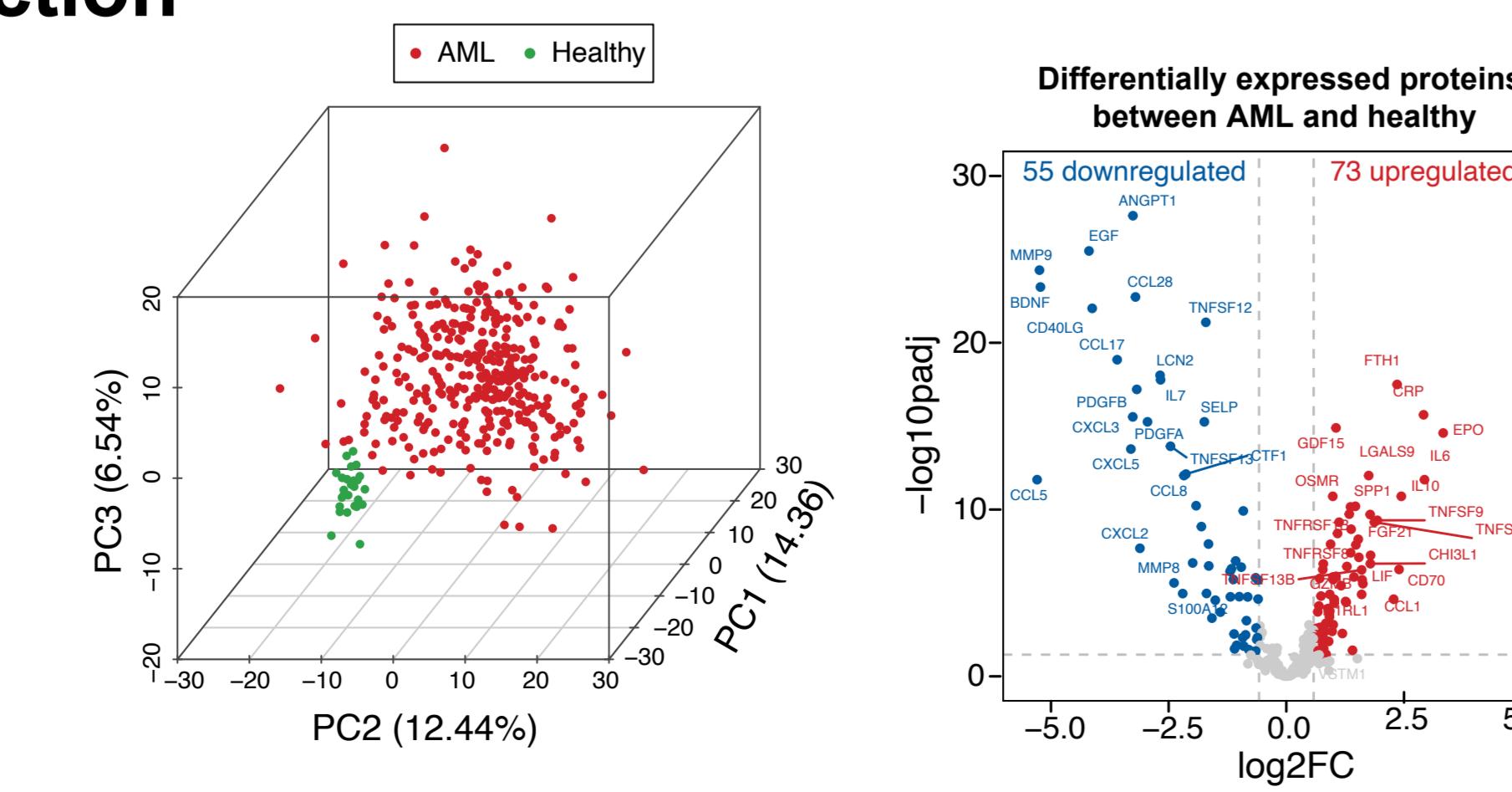
### In-house cohort characteristics



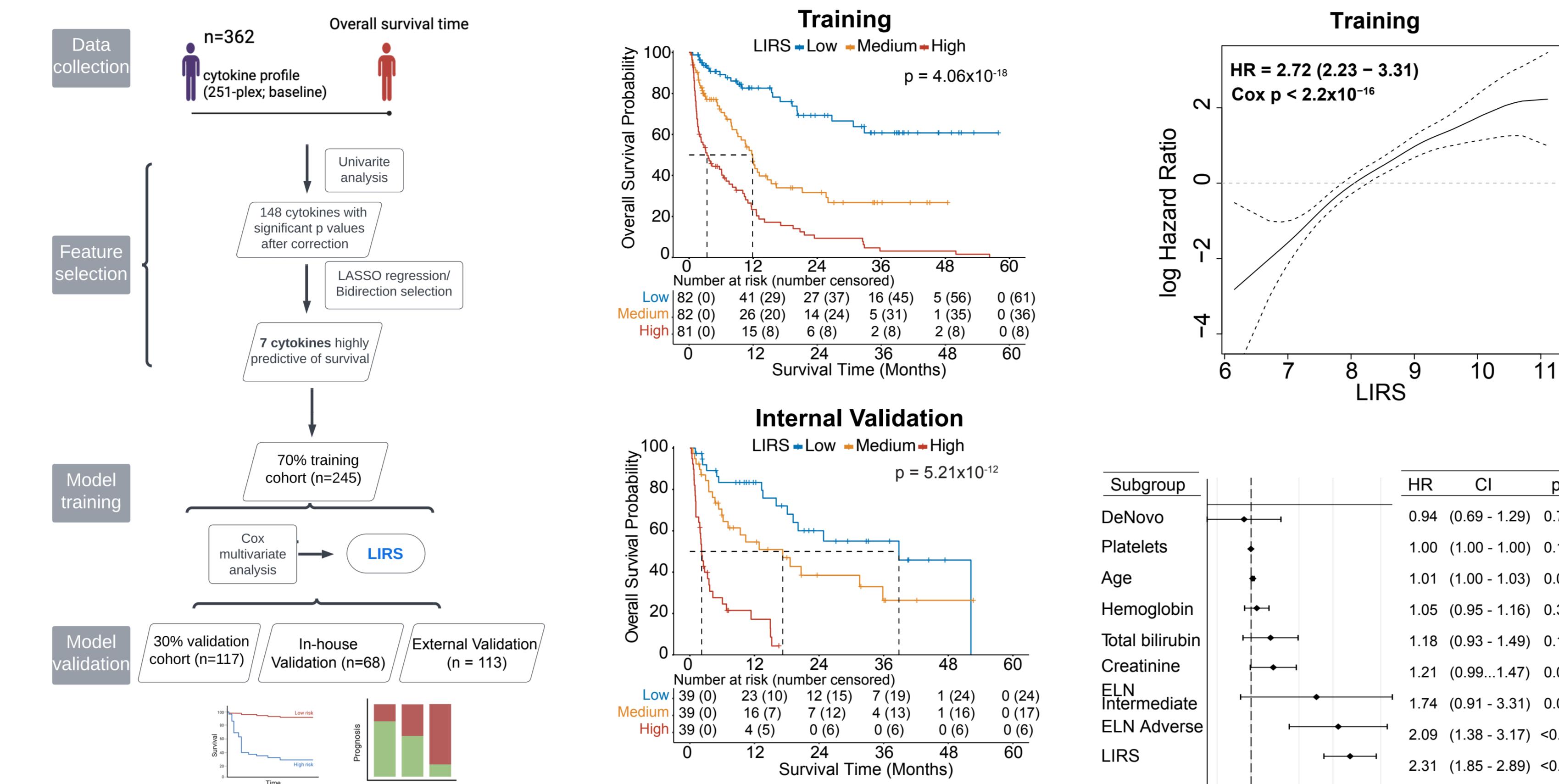
NULISA achieved high sensitivity in protein detection



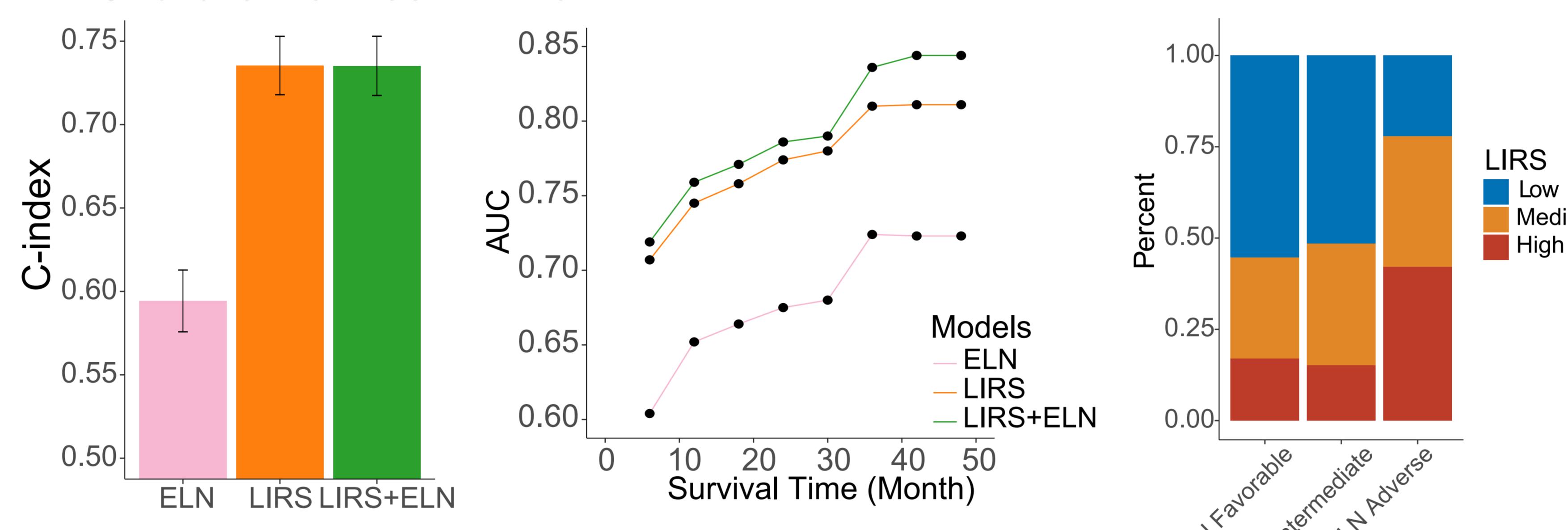
### Proteomic profile of AML vs Healthy



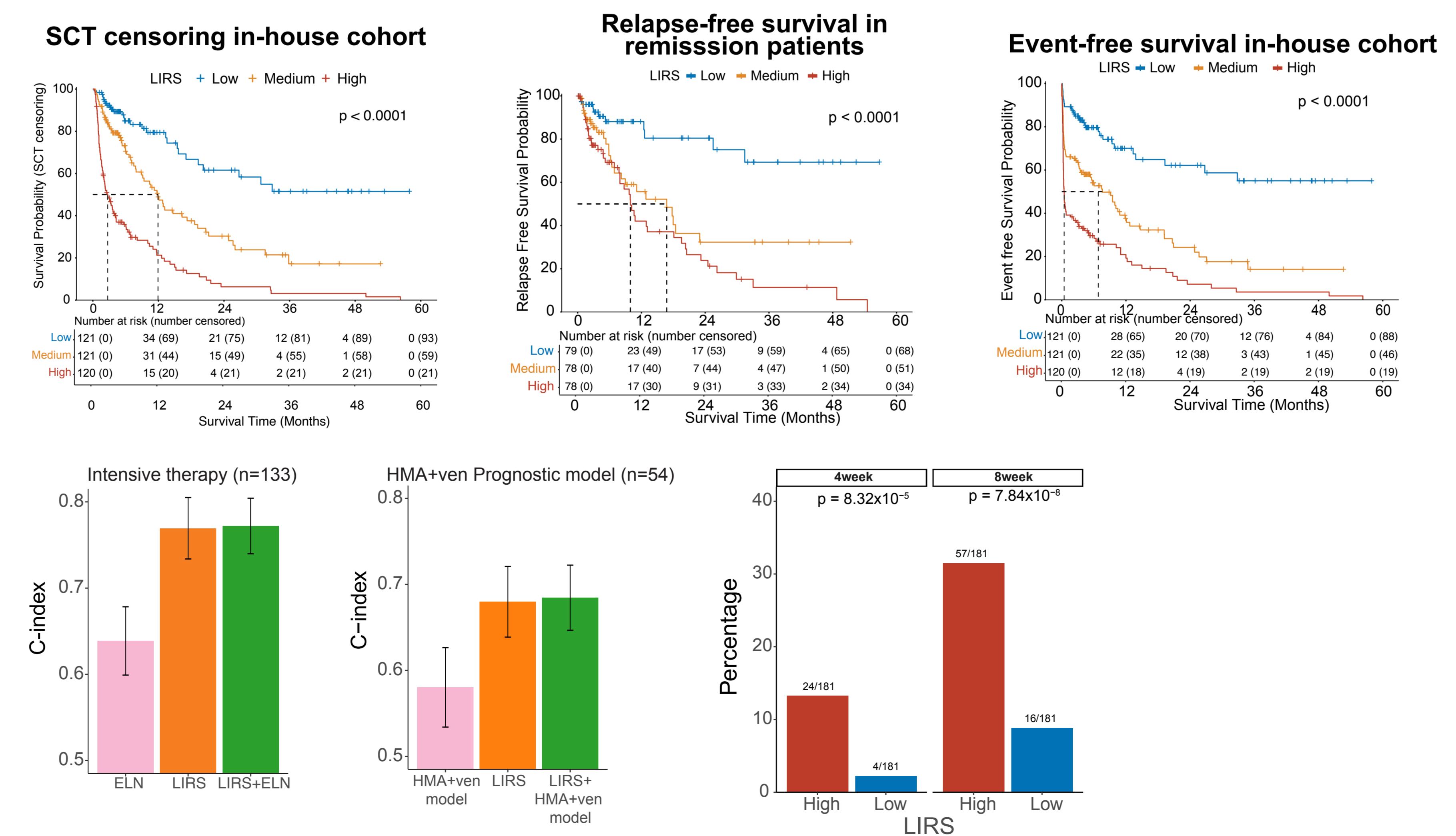
### Defining Leukemia Inflammatory Risk Score (LIRS)



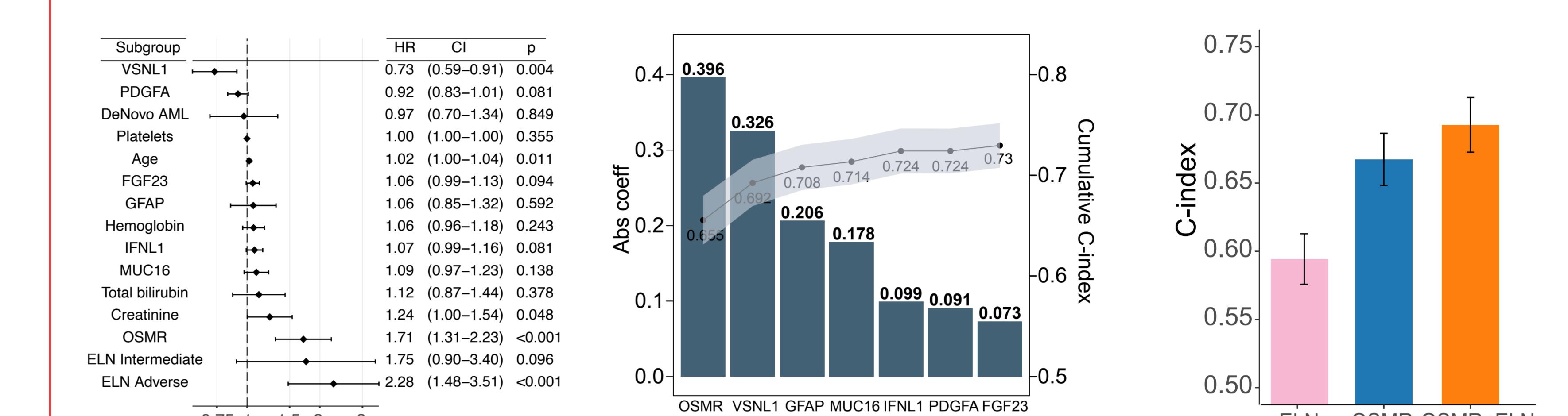
### LIRS further refines ELN2022



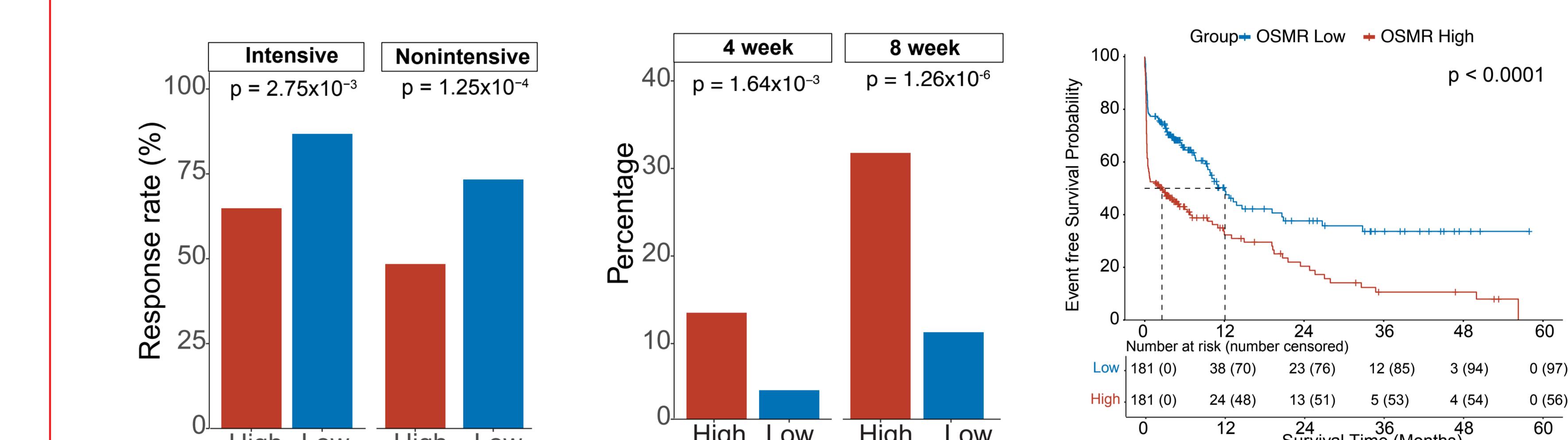
### LIRS holds prognostic value in various clinical settings



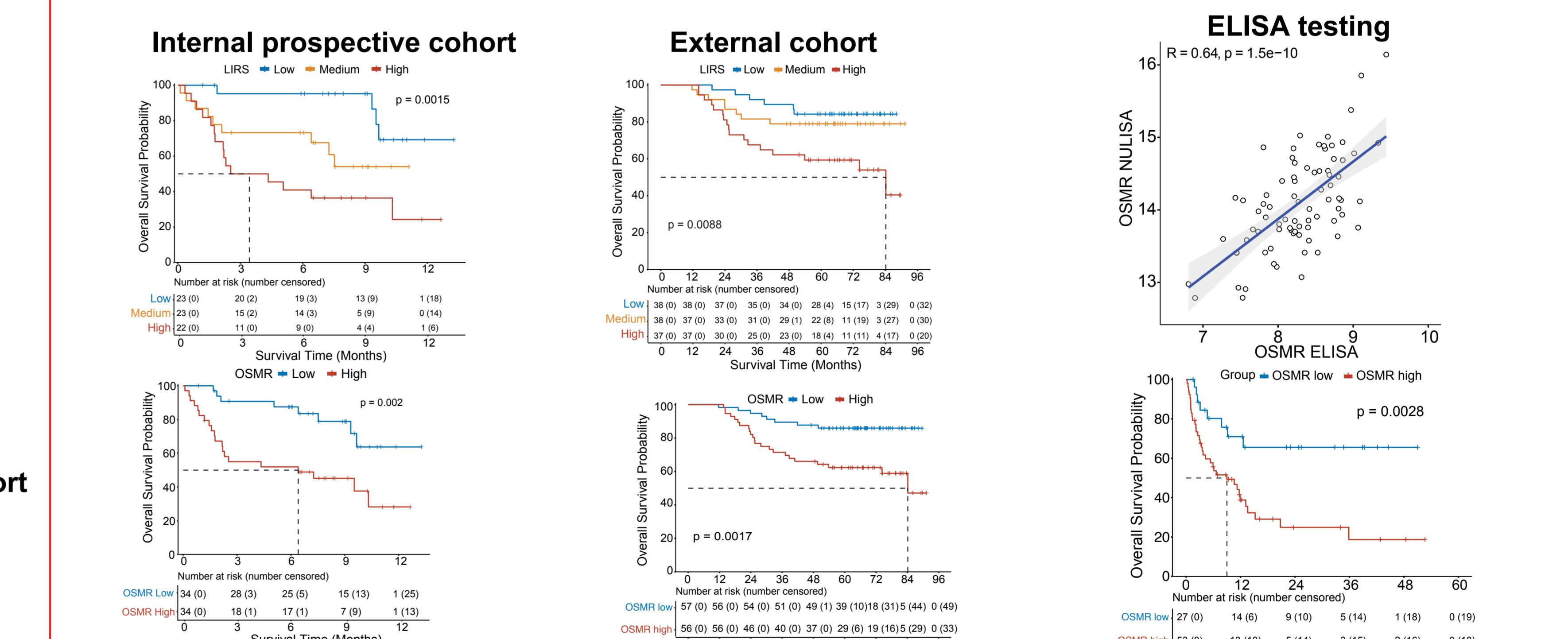
### OSMR is a novel prognostic feature in newly diagnosed AML



### OSMR predicts relevant clinical endpoints



### Validation of LIRS and OSMR



### Conclusions

Through high-throughput blood-based proteomic profiling, we identified a novel prognostic signature of survival, early mortality and treatment response termed LIRS. OSMR emerged as the best single biomarker that may improve on current risk stratification guidelines for early and long-term risk of death in newly diagnosed AML patients (Patent Pending 63/573,150). This work adds important information for clinical translation to better inform AML patient risk.

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