

Integrating copy-number analysis with structural-variation detection in 50 ALS patients with two extreme survival phenotypes

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5% have a family history of ALS

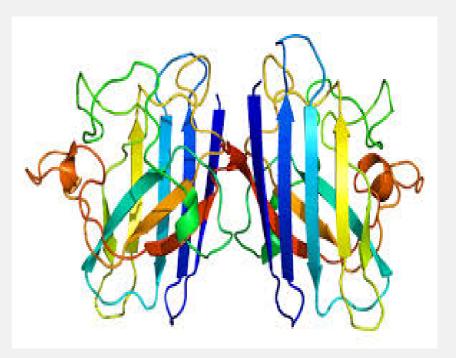
FALS Mendelian genes

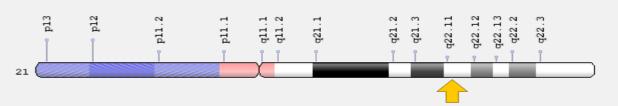
identified in about 70%

In apparently sporadic

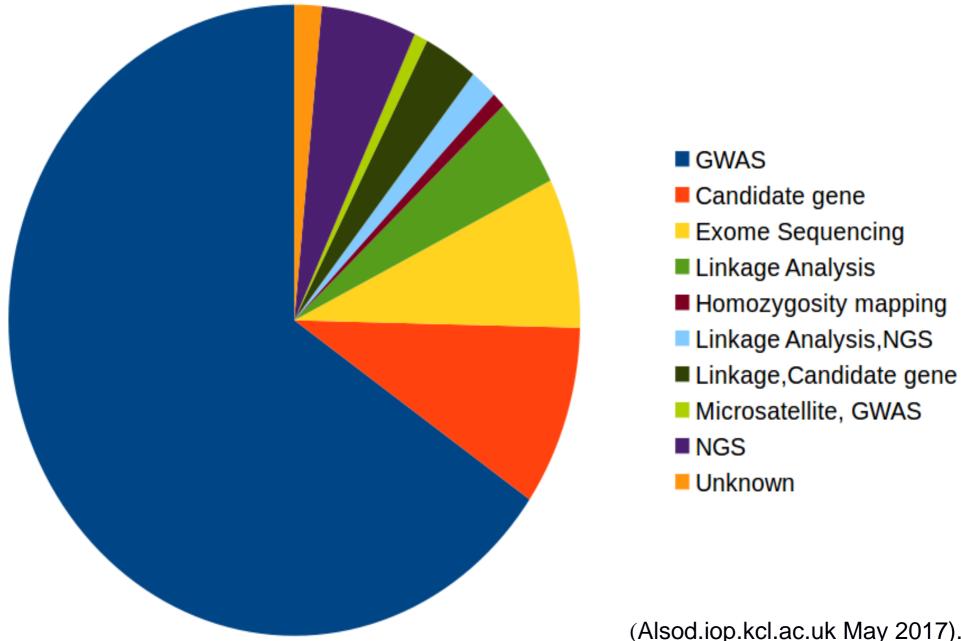
cases, twin and population studies

show the heritability is about 60%



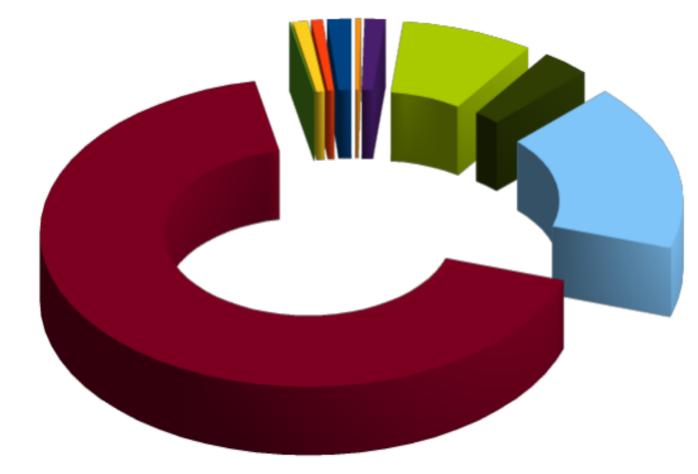


ALS Gene Hunting Methods



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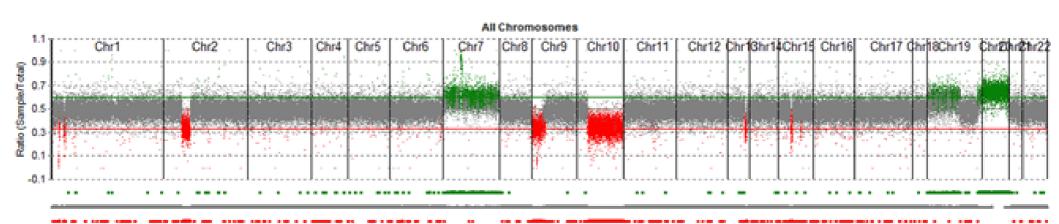
ALS Gene Study Methods



- Gene regulation network
- Protein-protein interaction
- Gene ontology
- Functional annotation
- Gene expression
- Protein domain
- Sequence properties
- Analysis of SNPs
- Conservation

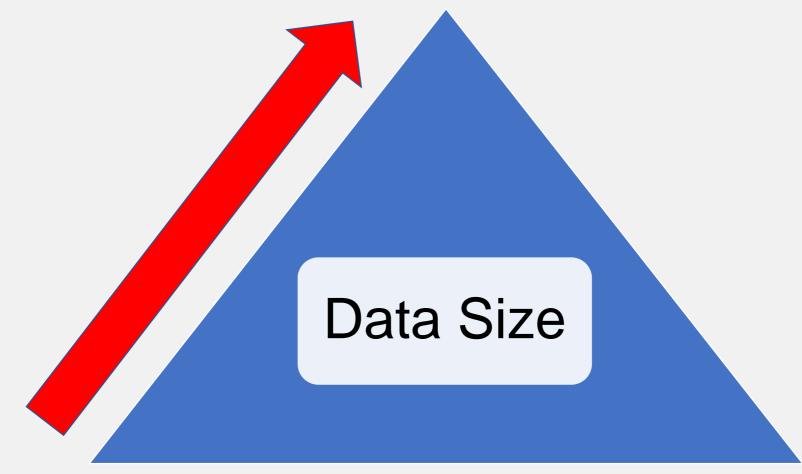
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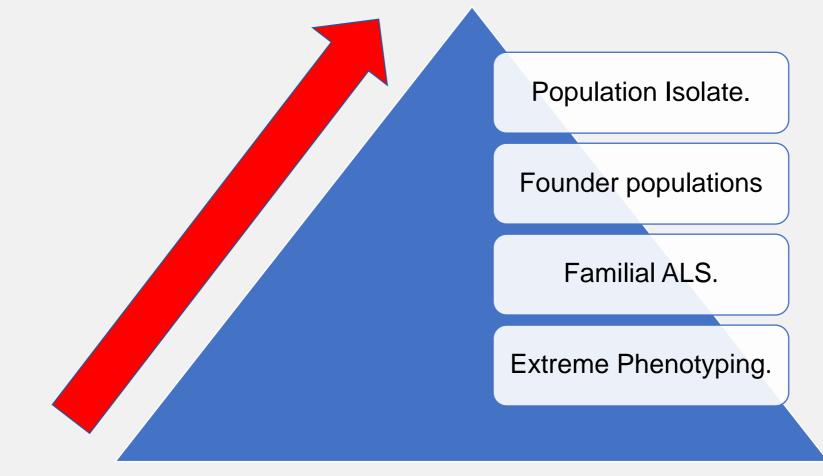


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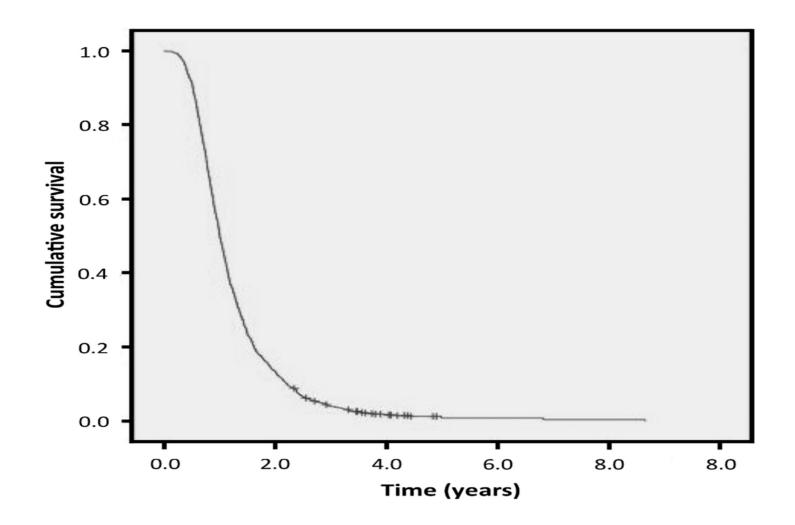




Methodological designs applied to maximize the power of detection:

Extreme Phenotyping.

Sample Selection

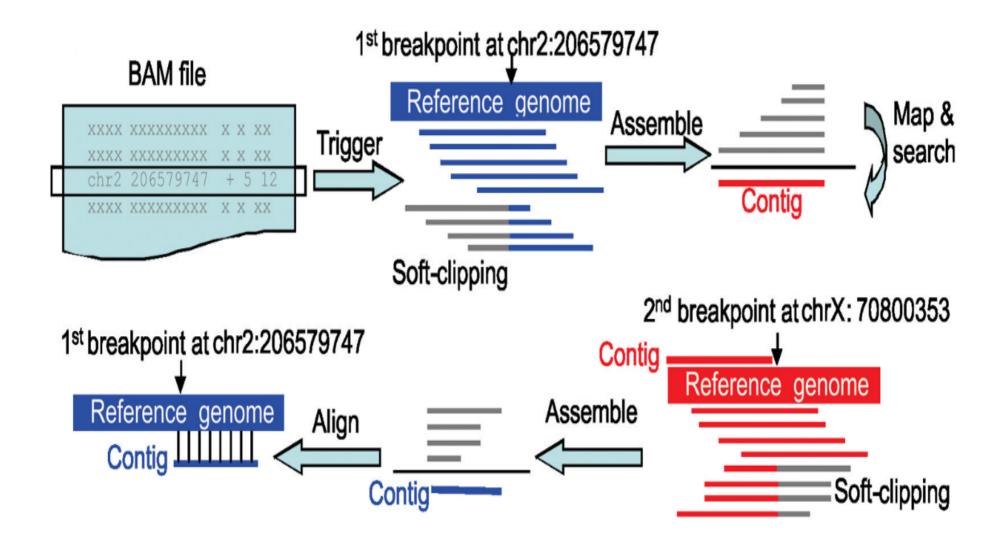


Kaplan–Meier survival curve from which the study groups were derived.

Demographic features of the long and short survival groups

	Long survival group	Short survival group
Number	25	25
Male:Female	10: 15	8:17
Mean age of onset (y)	53.7	60.2
Proportion alive	0.6	0.04
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BAM files from WGS

Computer analysis

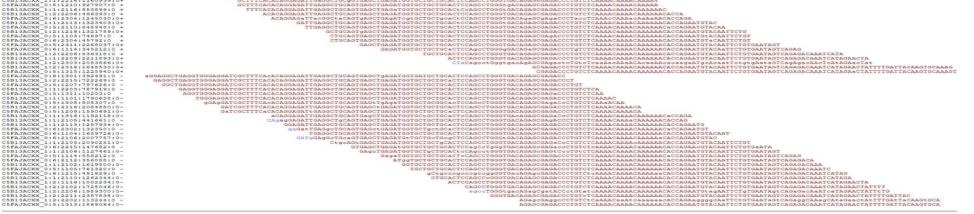


CNV results

Statistical analysis

Mapping Copy Number Variations



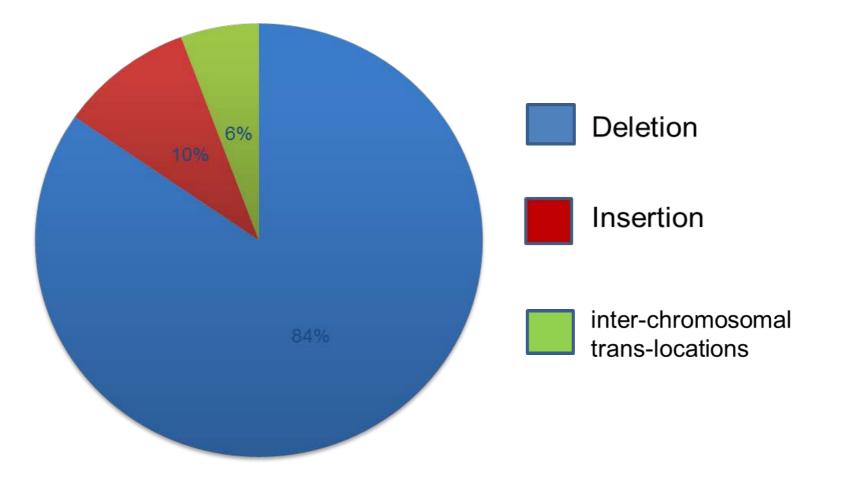


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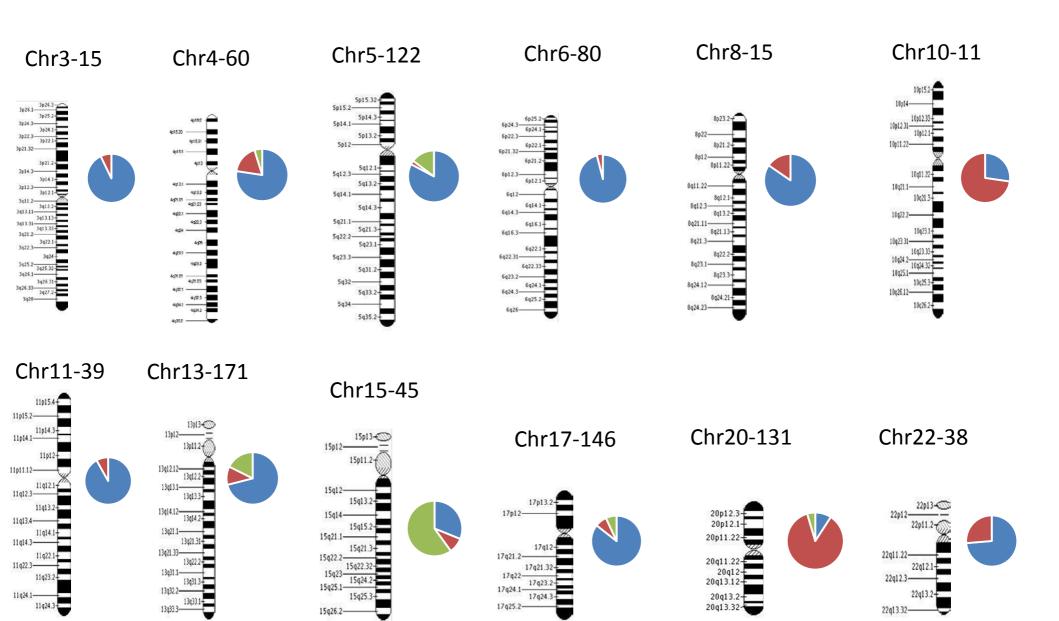
Alignment of next-gen reads in both long survival (top panel) and normal (bottom panel) at A- Inter-chromosomal translocations spanning chr20:18591542-1859588. B- Deletion spanning chr20: 14466308-14466371

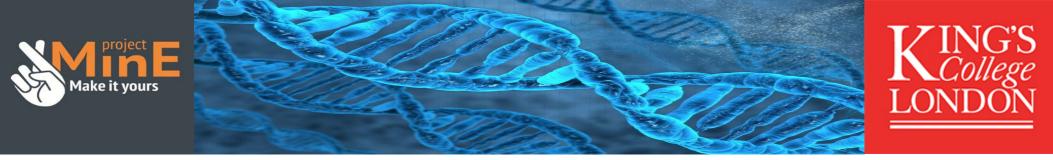
Copy Number variation analysis



983 Copy number variations were identified in 50 samples

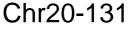
Structural variations and CNVs observed in ALS short survival group

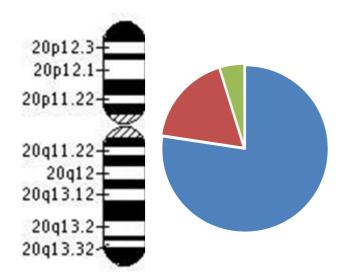


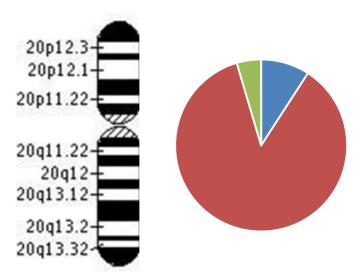


Comparison between CNV observed in chromosome 20 between the long and short survival groups

Chr20-67







Short survival group

Long survival group



Conclusions

- Deletion is the most common CNV observed in ALS in the two extreme survival groups
- Chromosome 13 and 17 show the highest structural variations in the ALS short survival group
- Further analysis and validation is needed





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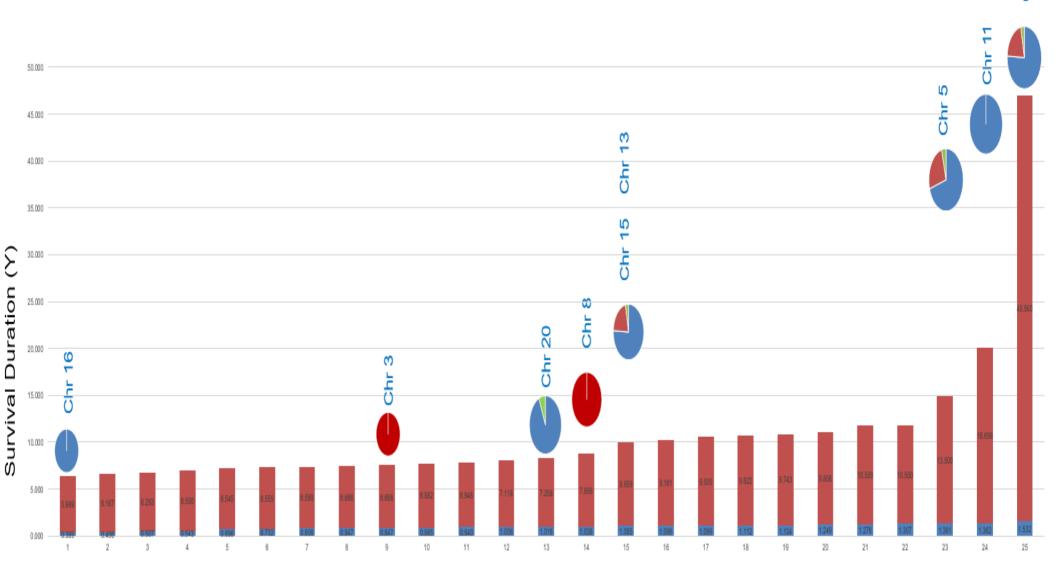




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Short survival Group Long Survival Group



Deletion

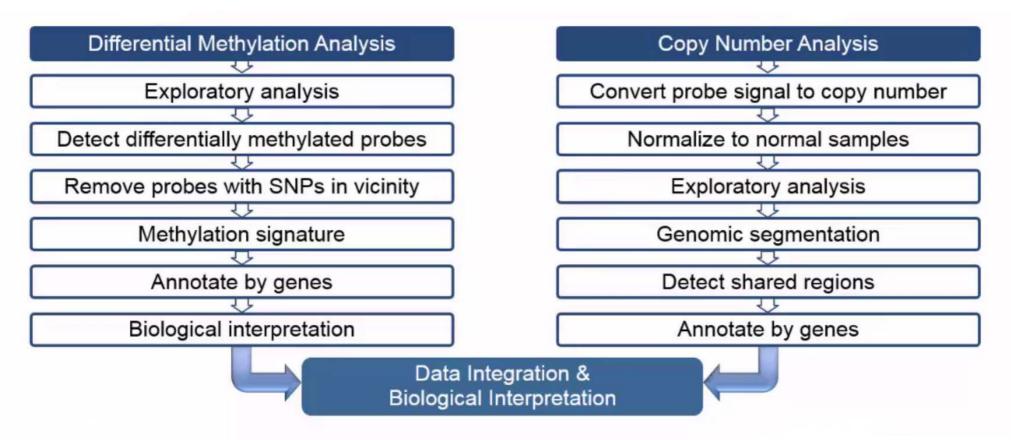
Chr 5



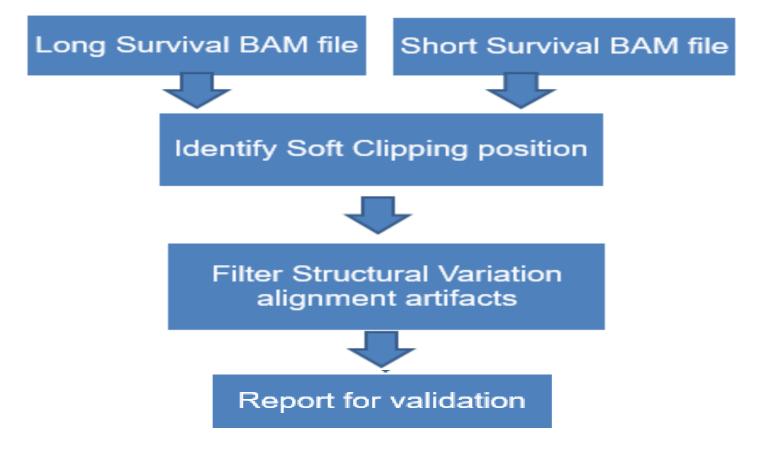




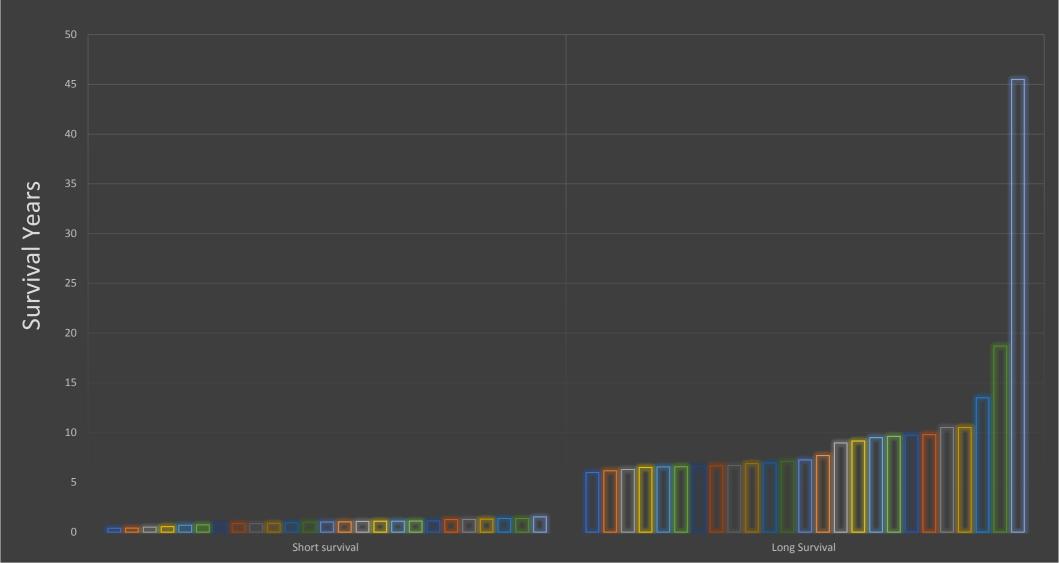








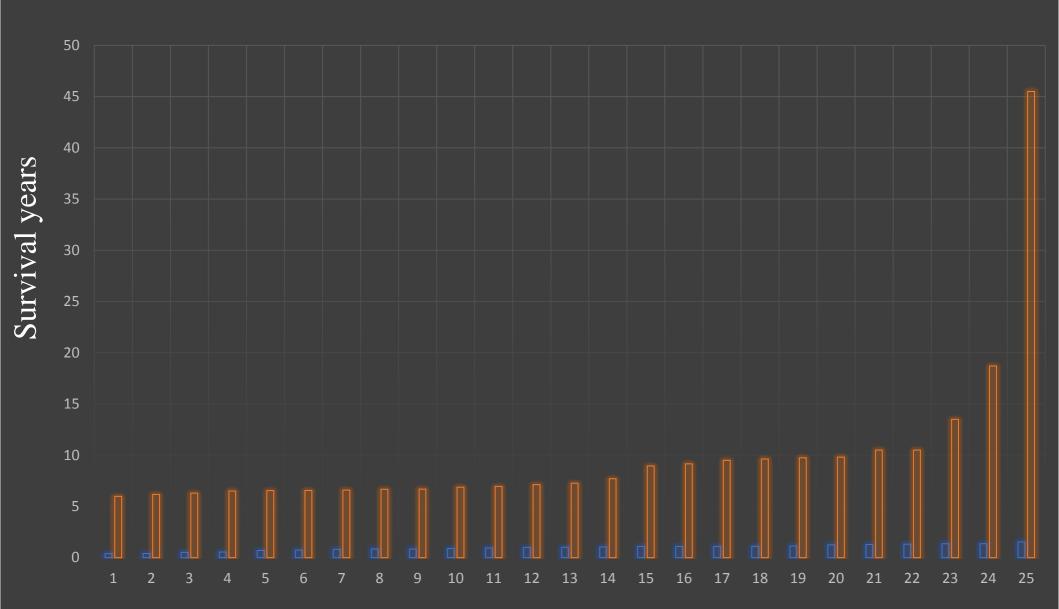
Comparison between the two ALS extreme survival groups



Comparison between the two extreme survival groups

□ Short survival

Long Survival



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