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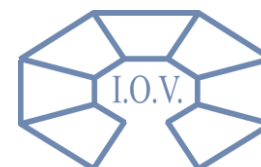


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SESTA SESSIONE LE NUOVE STRATEGIE ANTITUMORALI: IMMUNOTARGET THERAPY

Risultati e prospettive nel NSCLC *PD-1 and PD-L1 inhibitors*

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Targeting the immune system, not the tumor itself

A paradigm shift



CANCER IMMUNOSURVEILLANCE: WHAT HAPPENS IN NSCLC?

- Evidence of immunosuppressive microenvironment and **immunosurveillance evasion** in lung cancer:
 - increase of functionally Treg cells
 - increase of functionally immunosuppressive cytokines

Woo EY et al, J Immunol 2002

- The magnitude of immune response to lung tumors **correlates with patient outcome**

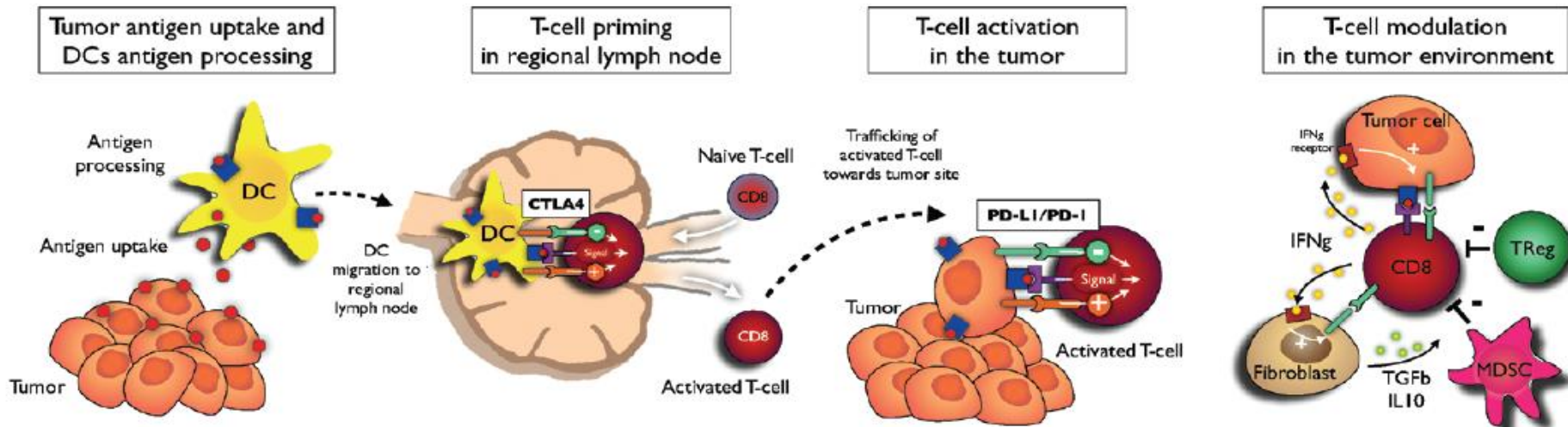
Al-Shibli et al, Clin Cancer Res 2008

Petersen et al, Cancer 2006

- **Prognostic** immune markers in tumor microenvironment and peripheral blood; genes involved in cancer immunity and inflammation and correlated with recurrence

Suzuki K et al, Clin Cancer Res 2011

Arnessing the immune system against cancer: strategies in NSCLC



immune system modulation in NSCLC	> <u>down-regulation of MHC-I</u>	> <u>up-regulation of PD-L1</u> through activation of PI3K/Akt ? MAPK ? Alk ?	> <u>up-regulation of TRegs</u> > <u>up-regulation of MDSCs</u>	> <u>IL-10 and TGFβ</u> increased concentration by tumor environment > <u>up-regulation of PD-L1</u> by IFN γ secreted by activated T-cell
immuno modulation by NSCLC drugs	immunogenic cell death irradiation vaccination strategies MAGE-A3, MUC-I, rHU EGF	up-regulation of MHC-I paclitaxel, gemcitabine, erlotinib DC maturation paclitaxel, docetaxel, bevacizumab anti-CTLA4 Ipilimumab, Tremelimumab	anti-PD-I MDX-1106, CT-011, MK-3475 anti-PD-L1 MPDL-3280A, MDX-1105 up-regulation of PD-L1 paclitaxel, etoposide	TReg inhibition cisplatin, paclitaxel, bevacizumab MDSC inhibition cisplatin, docetaxel, gemcitabine down-regulation of PD-L1 by PI3Ki ? MEKi ? Crizotinib ?

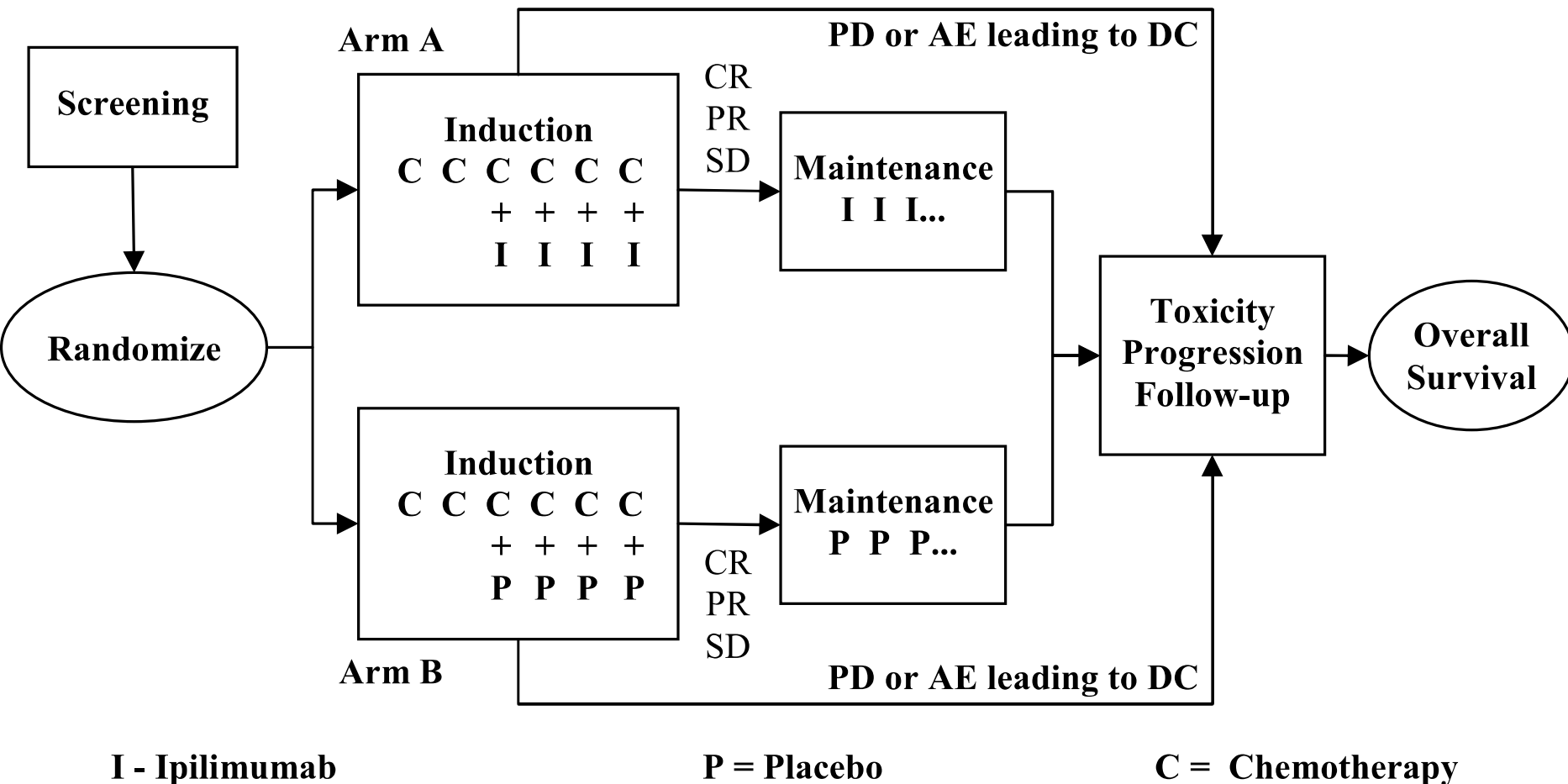
VACCINATION STRATEGIES

PHASE III CLINICAL TRIAL	STAGE	VACCINE	PRIMARY ENDPOINT	RESULTS
MAGRIT	I-III A	MAGE-A3	DSF	NEGATIVE
START	III A-B	BLP-25	OS*	NEGATIVE*
STOP	III-B	LUCANIX	OS	NEGATIVE

* POSITIVE FOR PATIENTS RECEIVING CONCURRENT CHEMO-RADIOTHERAPY

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Ongoing phase III trial design (CA 184104)



PD-1 and PD-L1 blockade in NSCLC: response across trials with single agents

Table 1. Response rates of PD-1/PD-L1 blockade antibodies used as a monotherapy in advanced NSCLC

Antibody (company)		ORR (RECIST v1.0 or v1.1) All comers		ORR (RECIST v1.0 or v1.1) PD-L1 ⁺	
		Untreated	Pretreated	Untreated	Pretreated
PD-1^a					
Nivolumab (all histologies)	Fully human IgG4	21% (<i>n</i> = 52; ref. 60)	17% (<i>n</i> = 129; ref. 22)	31% (<i>n</i> = 26) ≥5% of tumor cells PD-L1 ⁺	15% (<i>n</i> = 33)
Nivolumab (squamous, ≥2 prior tx)		NA	15% (<i>n</i> = 117; ref. 61)	NA	24% (<i>n</i> = 25) ≥5% of tumor cells PD-L1 ⁺
Pembrolizumab (Merck-MSD)	Humanized IgG4	NA	20% (<i>n</i> = 194; ref. 27)	26% (<i>n</i> = 42) ≥1% of tumor cells PD-L1 ⁺	23% ^a
PD-L1^b					
BMS-936559 (BMS)	Fully human IgG4	NA	10% (<i>n</i> = 49; ref. 62)	NA	
MEDI4736 (AZ/Medimmune)	Fully human engineered IgG1	NA	16% (<i>n</i> = 58; ref. 63)	NA	25% (<i>n</i> = 20) PD-L1 threshold undisclosed
MPDL3280A (Roche/Genentech)	Fully human IgG4	NA	23% (<i>n</i> = 53; ref. 25)	NA	31% (<i>n</i> = 26) ≥1% of tumor immune cells PD-L1 ⁺
MSB0010718C (Pfizer/Merck Serono)	Human IgG1	NA		NA	

Soria JC, Clin Cancer Res 2015

Good BUT new safety profile

Long lasting tumor response

Clinical benefit in pre-treated and in SQCC

Predictive biomarkers?

NIVOLUMAB

- ✓ Phase I expansion cohort trial (pre-treated)
- ✓ Phase II study (refractory)
- ✓ 2 phase III R trials (2L)

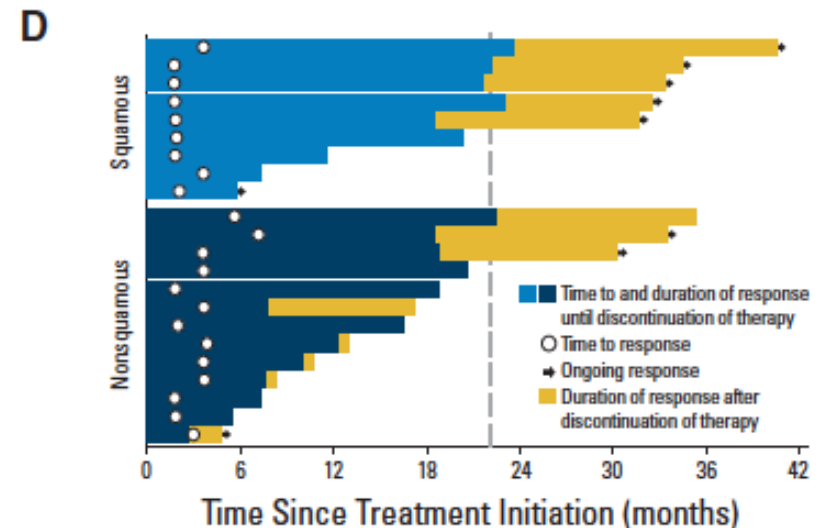
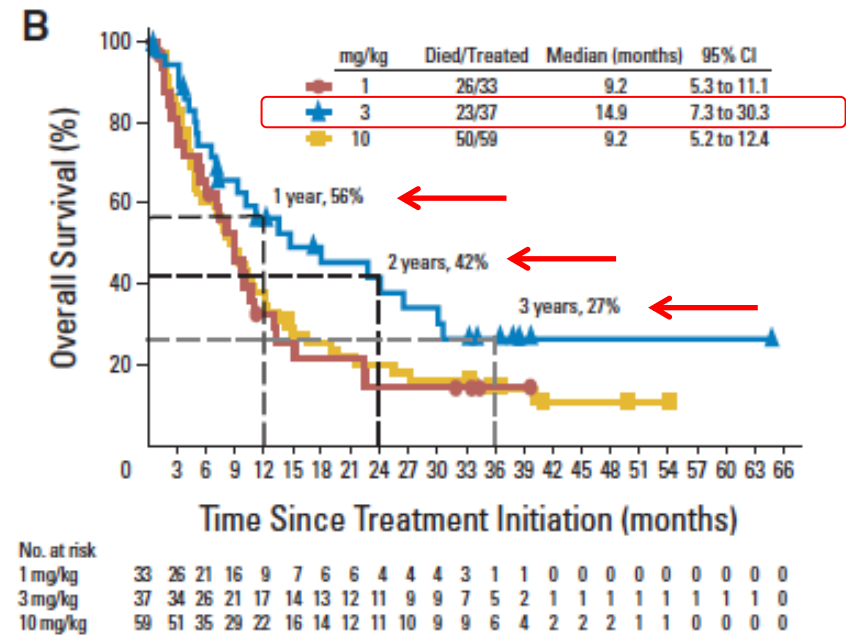
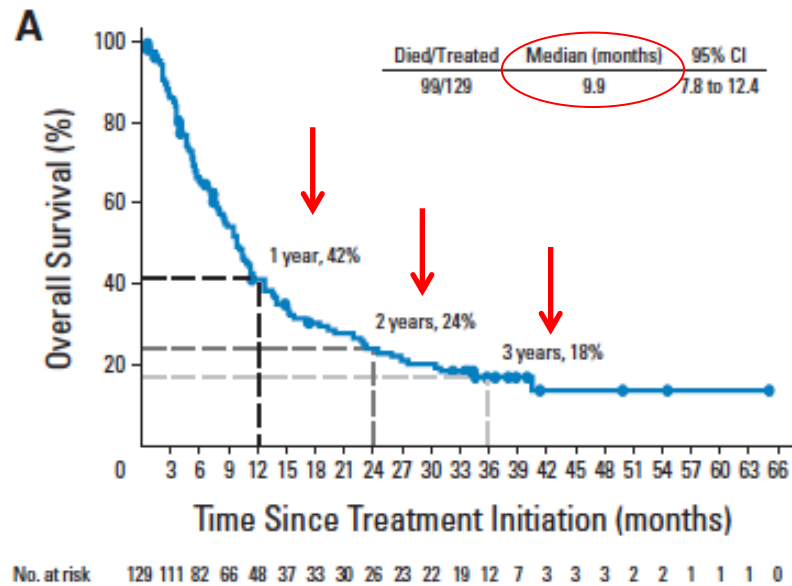
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- ✓ Phase II R trial (2L-3L)

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- ✓ Phase I trial (pretreated)

Nivolumab in pretreated patients: phase I expansion cohort



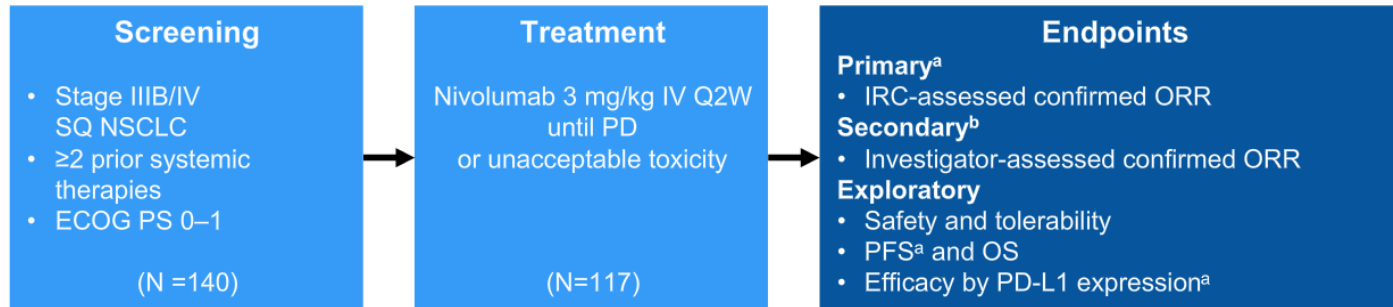
54%: 3 to 5 prior therapies

50% of responders: at the first assessment (8 weeks)

Median DOR: 17 months

41%: responses ongoing (data lock)

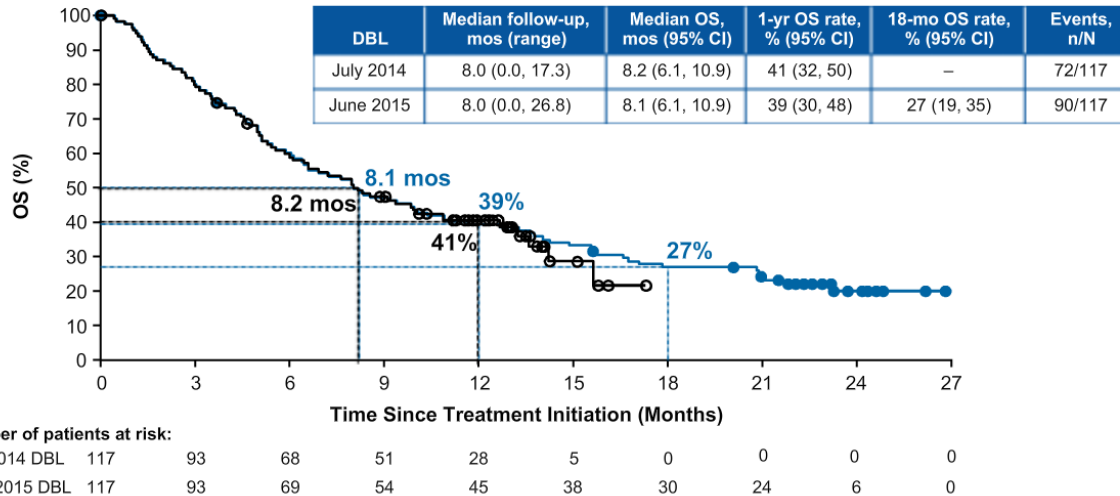
Nivolumab in refractory NSCLC: CheckMate 063 phase II study



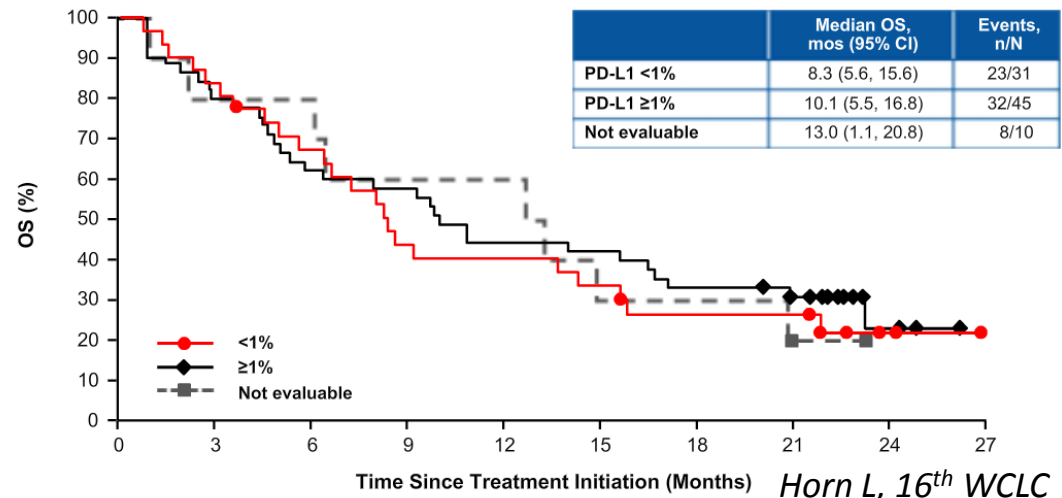
Characteristic	All treated patients (N = 117)
Number of prior systemic regimens, %	
2	35
≥3	65
Best response to most recent prior regimen, %	
Complete or partial response	4
Stable disease	27
Progressive disease	61
Unknown/not reported	8
Time from completion of most recent prior regimen to treatment, %	
<3 months	76
≥3 months	24

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Overall Survival (All Treated Patients)

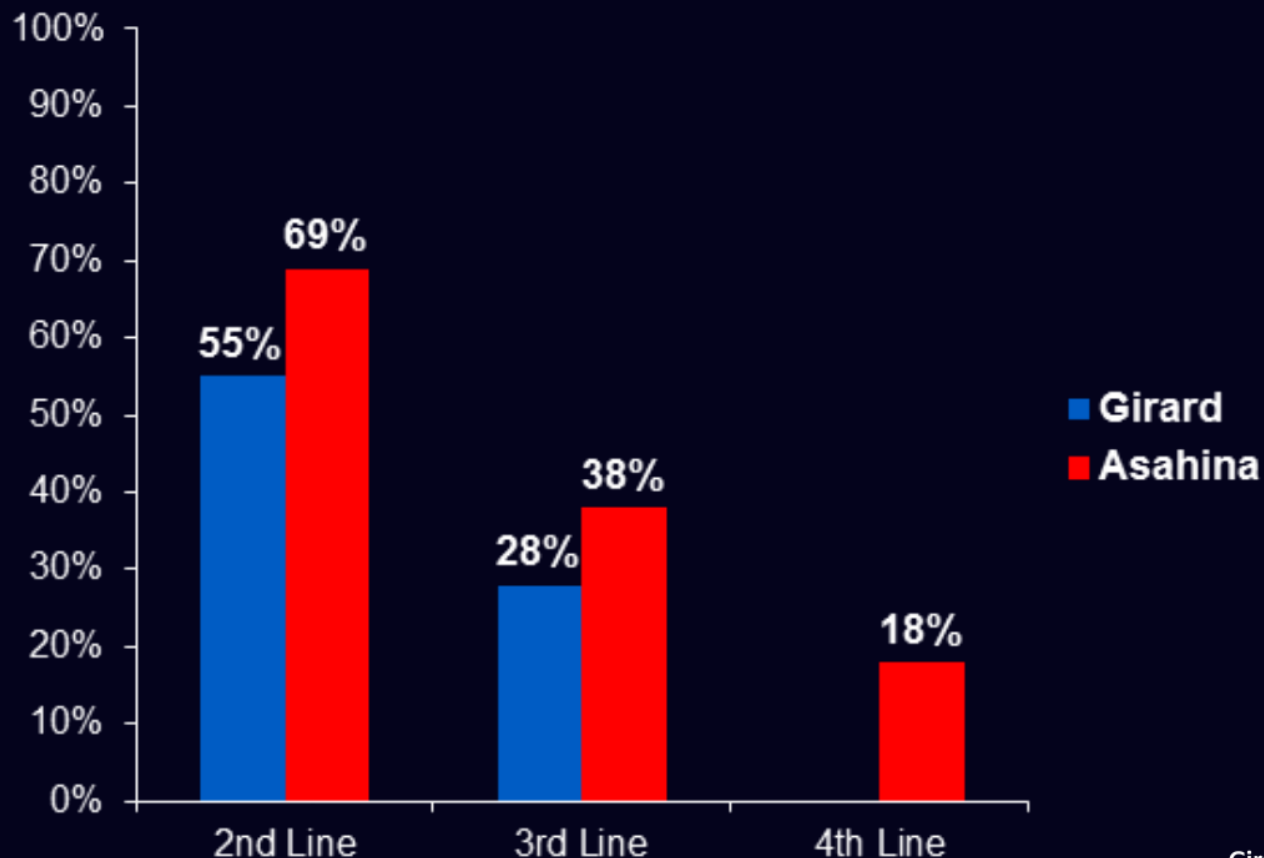


Overall Survival by PD-L1 Expression



Clinical relevance of long-term response in NSCLC

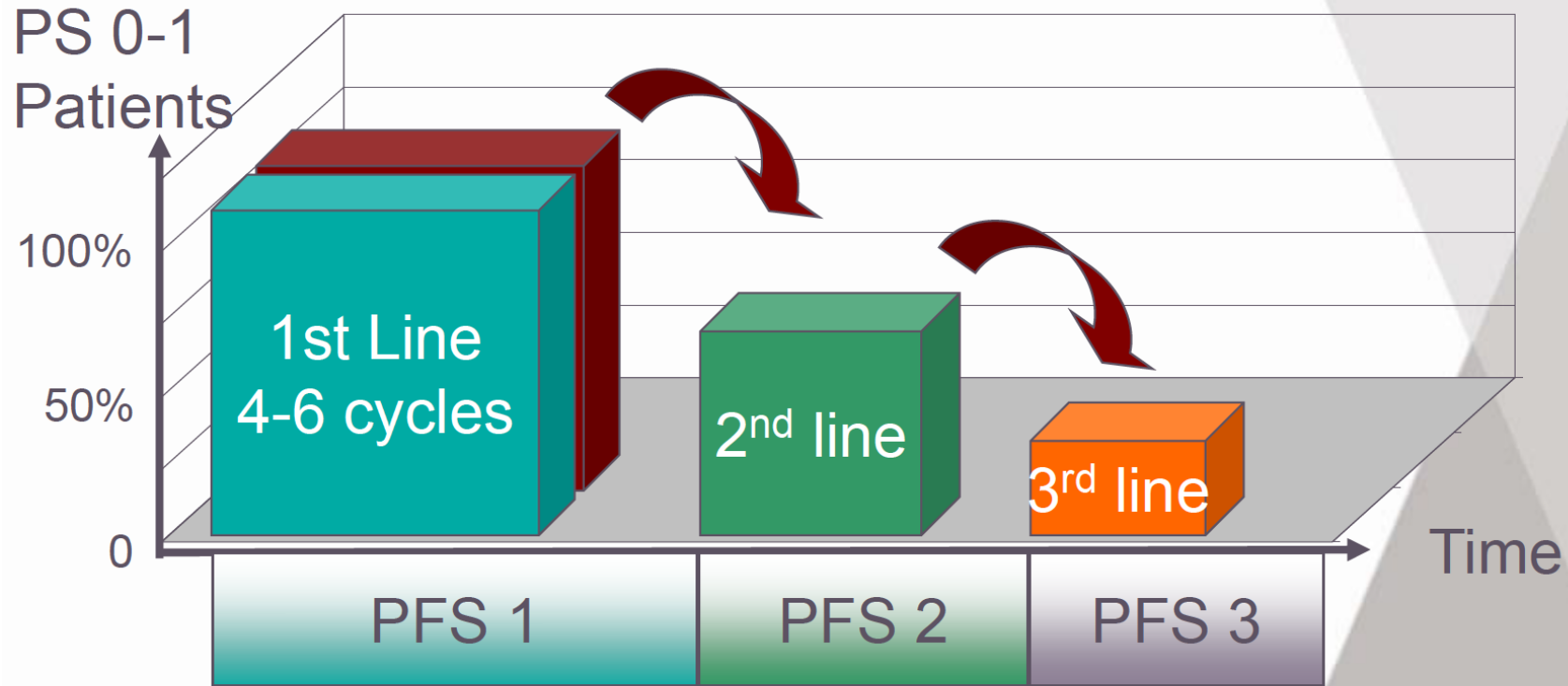
Probability of Receiving 2nd to 4th Line Therapy



Peters S, 16th WCLC

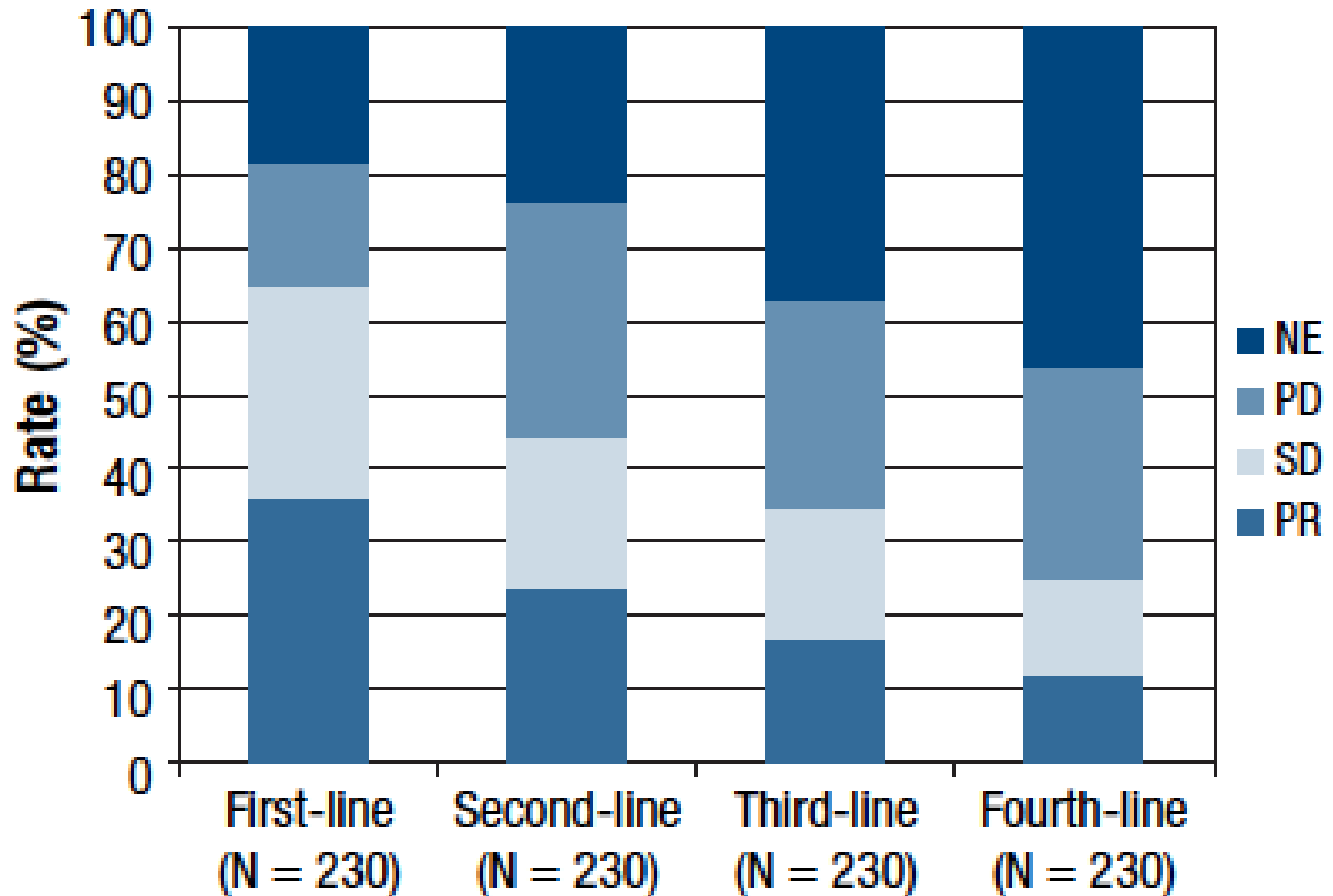
Girard, JTO 2009;
Asahina, Clin Lung Cancer 2012

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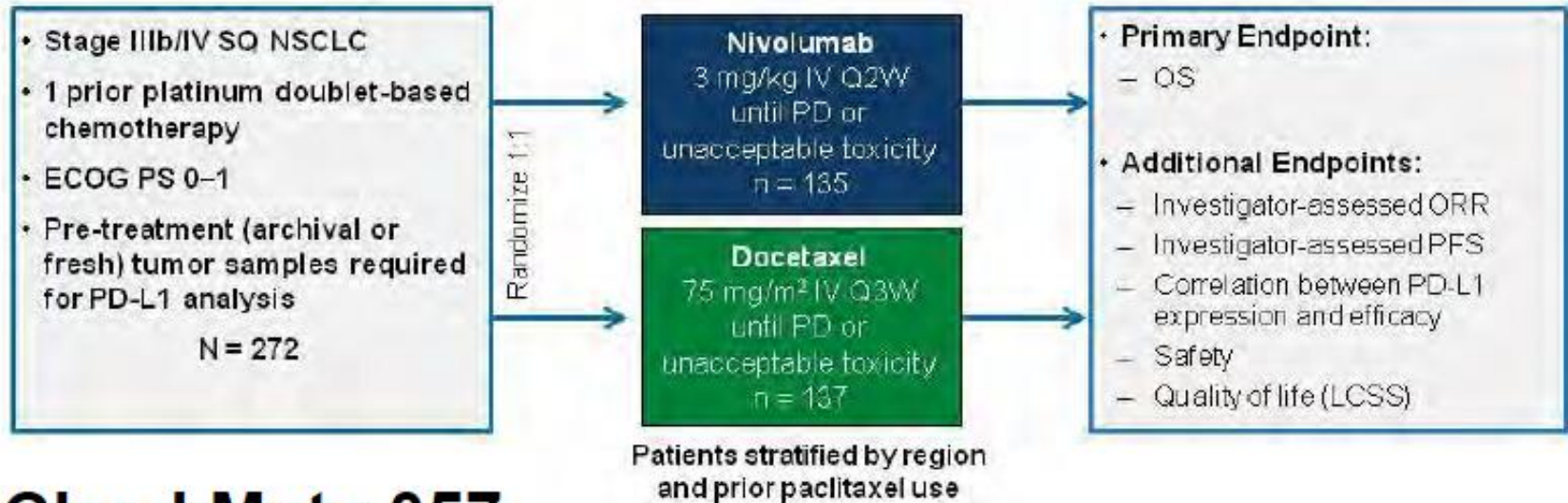
Each new line : 30% patients lost

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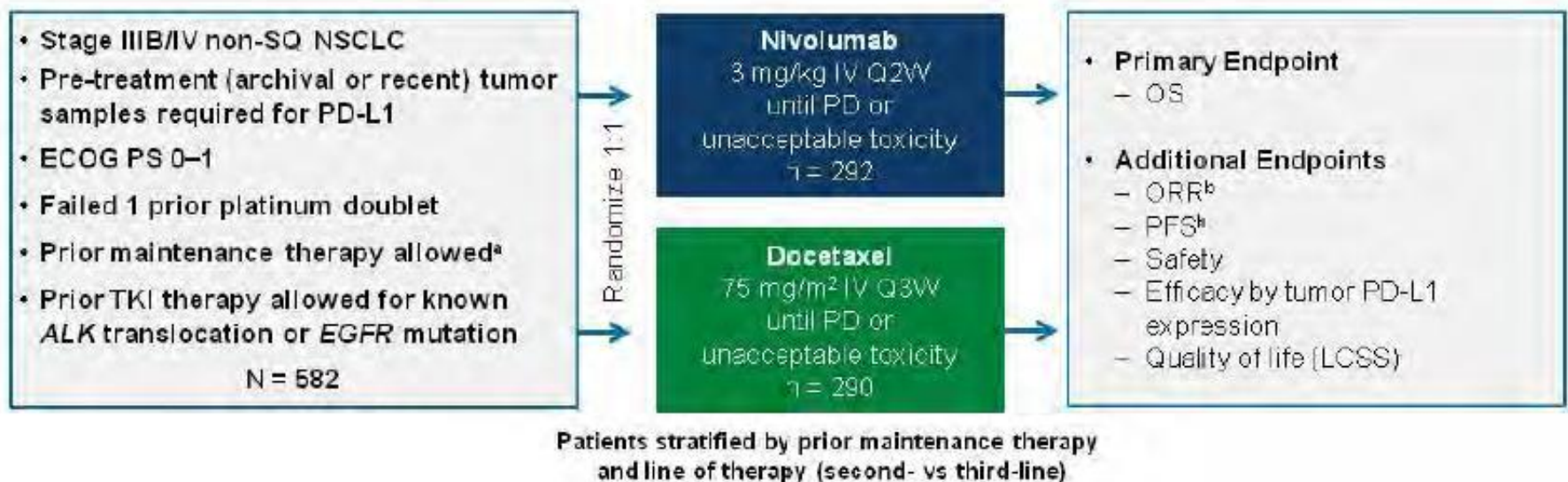


Nivolumab: phase III trials in all comers NSCLC, 2L

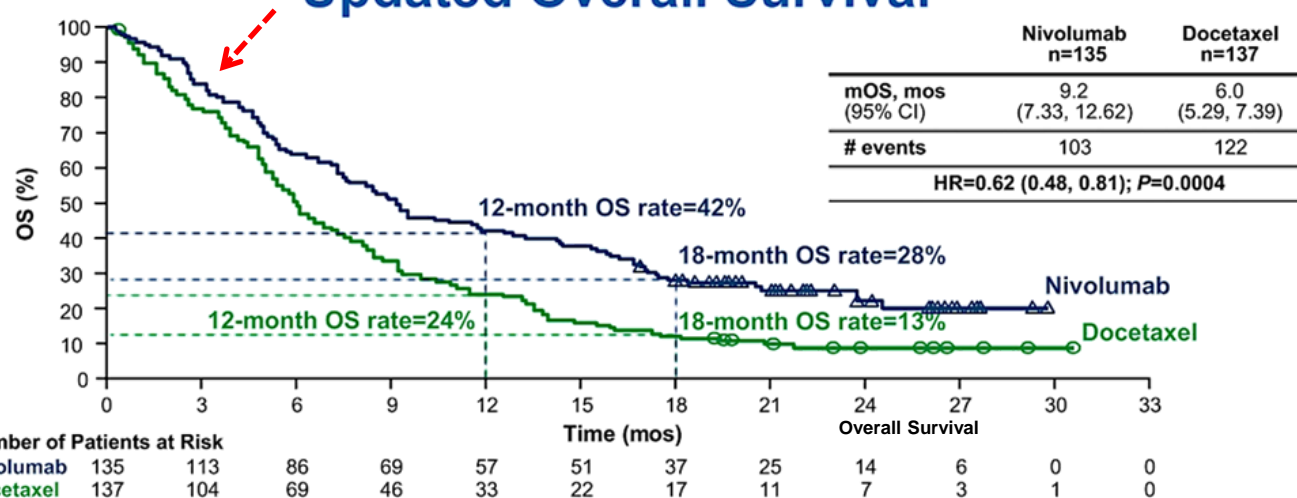
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Updated Overall Survival

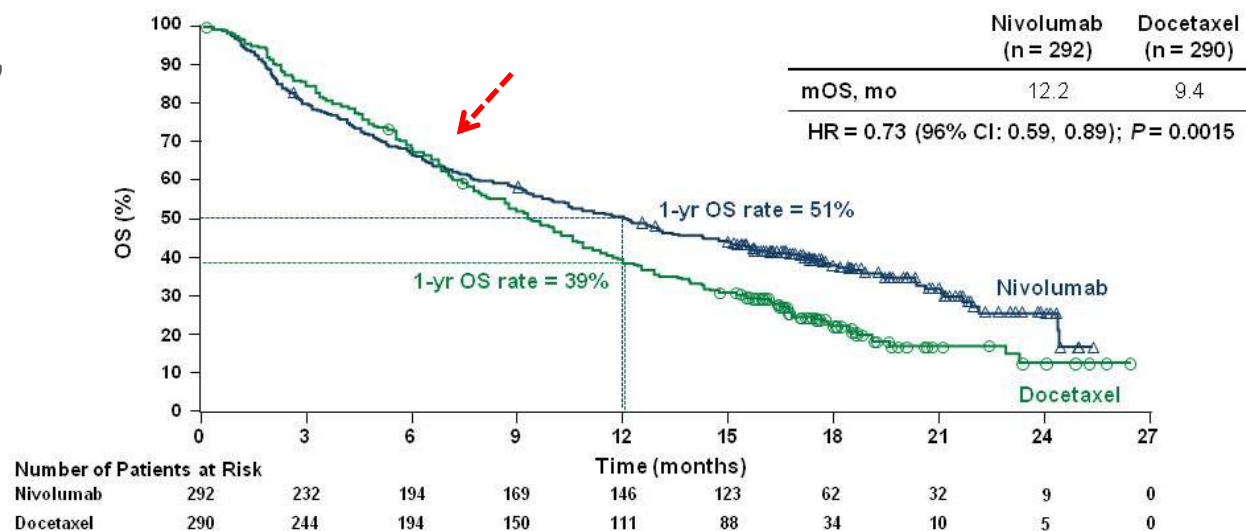


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SQCC

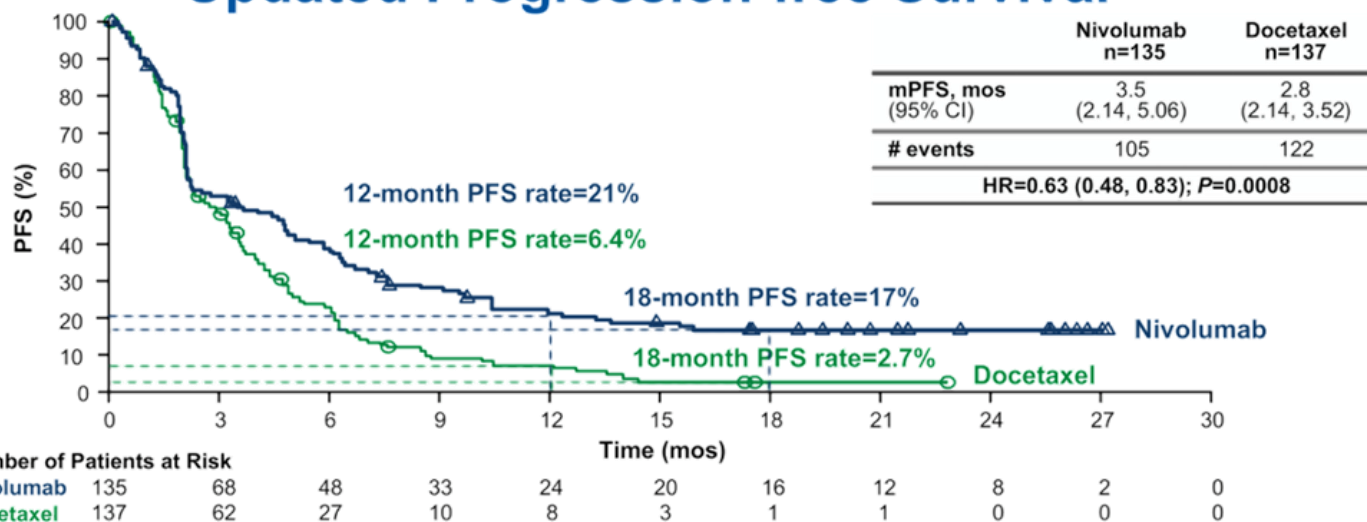
Minimum follow-up for survival: 18 months

Overall Survival

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non-SQCC



Updated Progression-free Survival

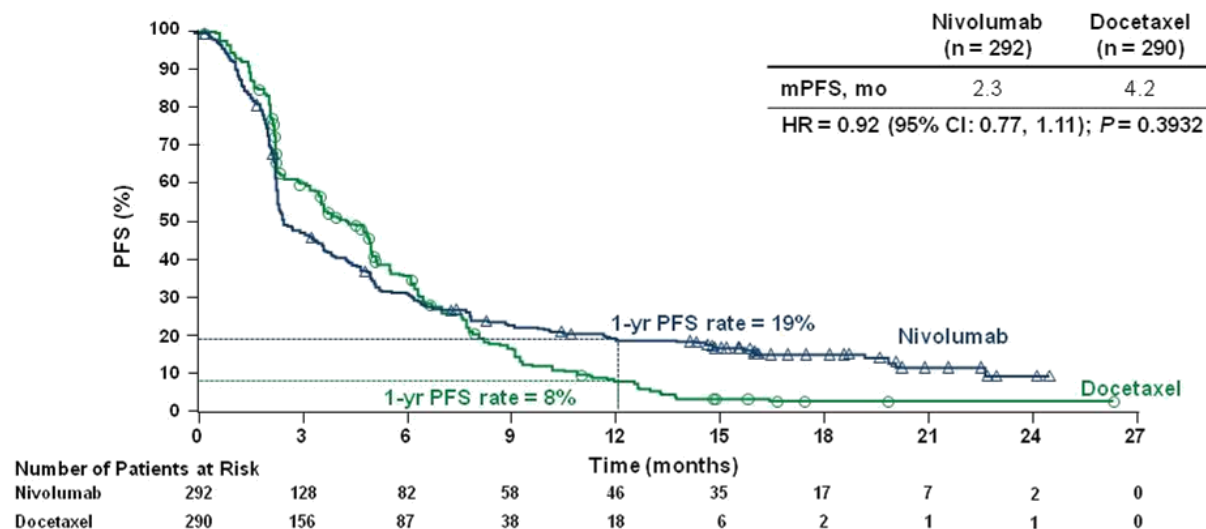


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non-SQCC



Spigel D and Paz-Ares L, 2015 ASCO Annual Meeting; Reckamp K, 16th WCLC

CheckMate 017 in squamous NSCLC

Updated Treatment and Safety Summary

	Nivolumab n=131		Docetaxel n=129	
	Any grade	Grade 3–5 ^a	Any grade	Grade 3–5
Treatment-related AEs, %	59	8	87	58
Treatment-related AEs leading to discontinuation, %	5 ^b	3	10 ^c	7
Treatment-related deaths, %	0		2 ^d	

- Median number of doses was 8 (range, 1–56) for nivolumab and 3 (range, 1–29) for docetaxel

Nivolumab as second line treatment of advanced squamous NSCLC

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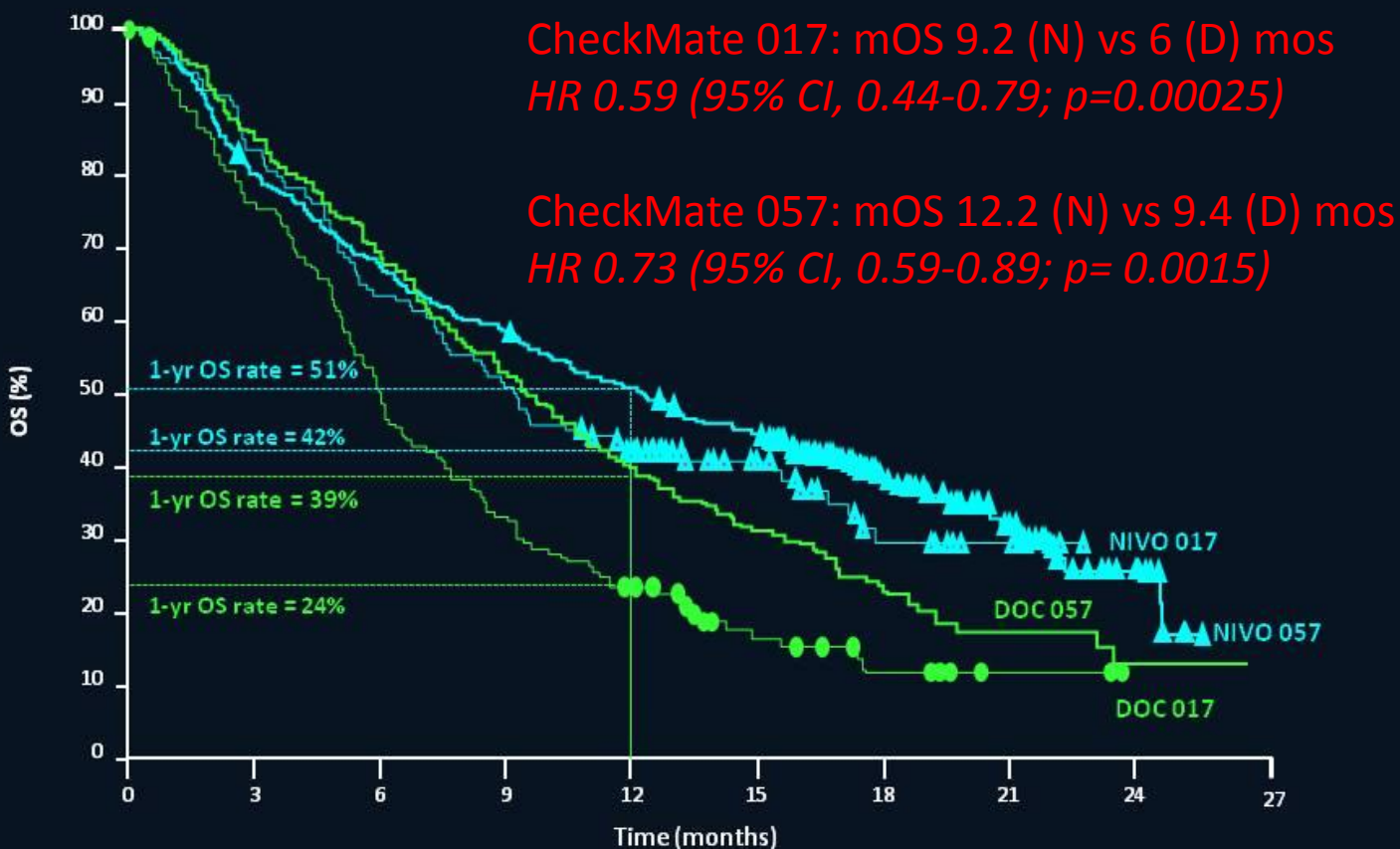
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- **2015 scenarios for squamous and non-squamous NSCLC**
- **PD-L1 status and selection criteria for treatment**

Nivolumab: different trials, different 'performance'?

Overall Survival



Nivolumab: different trials, different 'performance'?

Clinical trial	OS all	OS non squamous	OS squamous
Docetaxel vs BSC	7 vs 4.6	NA	NA
Docetaxel vs Pem	7.9 vs 8.3	8 vs 9.3	7.4 vs 6.2
Docetaxel vs Erlotinib	8.2 vs 5.4	NA	NA (24%)
Docetaxel ramucirumab vs Docetaxel	10.5 vs 9.1	11.1 vs 9.7	9.5 vs 8.2
Docetaxel nintendanib vs Docetaxel	10.1 vs 9.1	12.6 vs 10.3	8.6 vs 8.7
Nivolumab vs Docetaxel	NA	12.2 vs 9.4	9.2 vs 6.0
Atezolizumab vs Docetaxel	11.4 vs 9.5	NA	NA

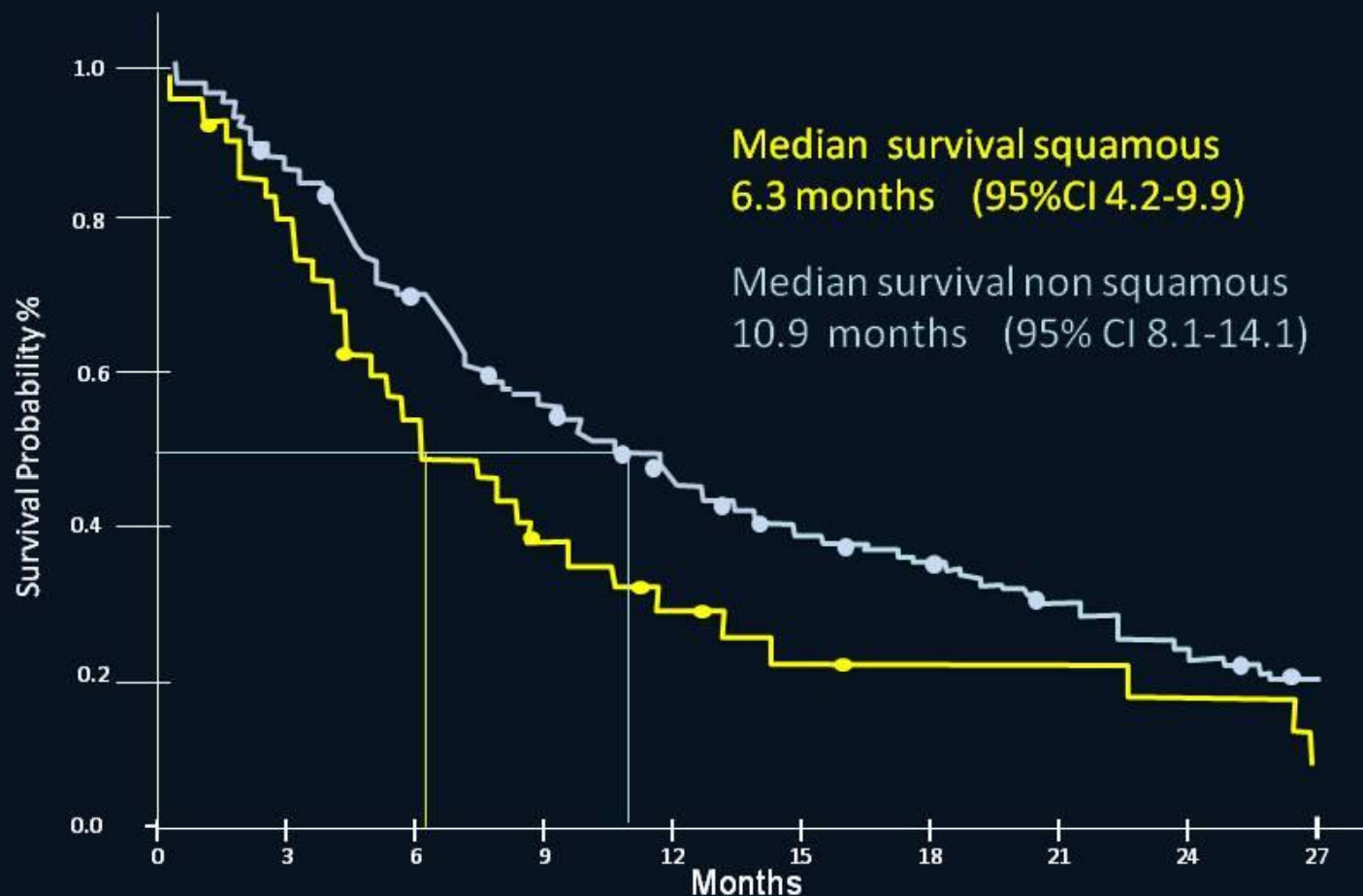
nonSQCC: mOS 8-10 months

SQCC: mOS 6-8.7 months

Nivolumab: different trials, different 'performance'?

Docetaxel in squamous histology

IPD pooled analysis (TAILOR, DELTA, PROSE)



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squamo 40

108
20

67
10

42
5

27
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Torri et al.
ABS 371 ASCO 2015

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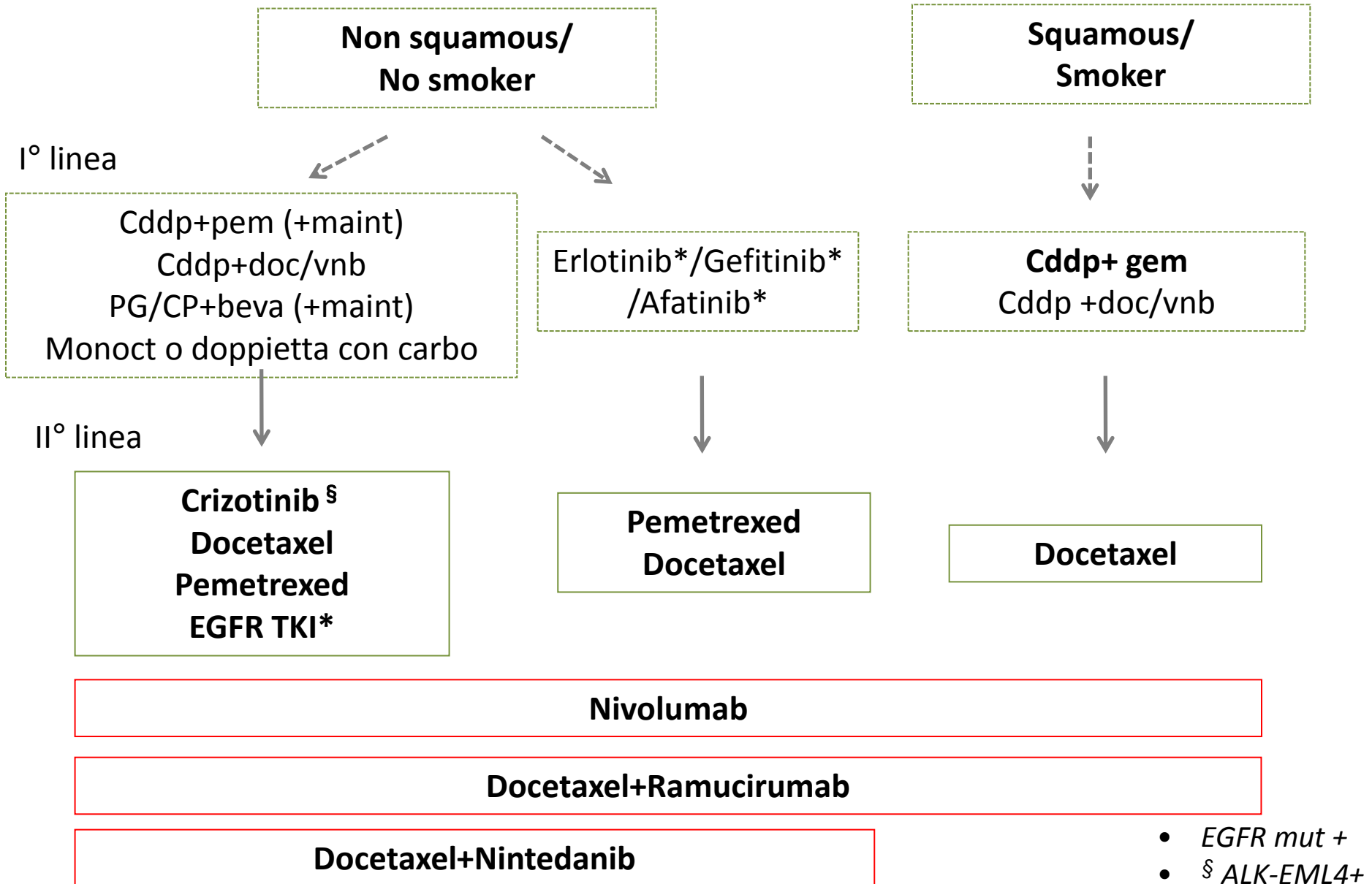
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Second line treatment options in NSCLC patients



Meaningful advantage? Raising the bar!

Table 1. Summary of Recommended Targets for Meaningful Clinical Trial Goals

Cancer Type	Patient Population	Current Baseline Median OS (months)	Primary End Point		Secondary End Point	
			Improvement Over Current OS That Would Be Clinically Meaningful (months)	Target HRs	Improvement in 1-Year Survival Rate (%)*	Improvement in PFS (months)
Pancreatic cancer	FOLFIRINOX-eligible patients	10 to 11 ¹⁹	4 to 5	0.67 to 0.69	48 → 63	4 to 5
Pancreatic cancer	Gemcitabine or gemcitabine/nab-paclitaxel-eligible patients	8 to 9 ^{20,21}	3 to 4	0.6 to 0.75	35 → 50	3 to 4
Lung cancer	Nonsquamous cell carcinoma	13 ²²	3.25 to 4	0.76 to 0.8	53 → 61	4
Lung cancer	Squamous cell carcinoma	10 ²³	2.5 to 3	0.77 to 0.8	44 → 53	3
Breast cancer	Metastatic triple negative, previously untreated for metastatic disease	18 ^{24,25}	4.5 to 6	0.75 to 0.8	63 → 71	4
Colon cancer	Disease progression with all prior therapies (or not a candidate for standard second- or third-line options)	4 to 6 ²⁶	3 to 5	0.67 to 0.67	25 → 35	3 to 5

Abbreviations: FOLFIRINOX, leucovorin, fluorouracil, irinotecan, and oxaliplatin; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

*Current → target.

Ellis ME et al, J Clin Oncol 2014



- SURVIVAL ADVANTAGE/CLINICAL BENEFIT
- SAFETY
- COSTS
- PREDICTIVE BIOMARKERS
- PATIENT SELECTION

New second line treatment options in non-oncogene addicted NSCLC

	SQCC (mOS months)	Non-SQCC (mOS months)
Docetaxel+Ramucirumab vs Docetaxel	9.5 vs 8.2 (HR 0.88)	11.1 vs 9.7 (HR 0.83)
Docetaxel+Nintedanib vs Docetaxel	/	12.6 vs 10.3[§] (HR 0.83)
Nivolumab vs docetaxel	9.2 vs 6 (HR 0.62)	12.2 vs 9.4 (HR 0.73)

[§]secondary endpoint

Nivolumab safety in PS 2 patients

a “real life study”

Summary of Adverse Events

	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg N = 824			Nivolumab 3 mg/kg ECOG PS 0–1 (n = 742)			Nivolumab 3 mg/kg ECOG PS 2 (n = 65)		
	Any Grade n (%)	Grade 3–4 n (%)	Grade 5 n (%)	Any Grade n (%)	Grade 3–4 n (%)	Grade 5 n (%)	Any Grade n (%)	Grade 3–4 n (%)	Grade 5 n (%)
All adverse events	762 (93)	311 (38)	158 (19)	683 (92)	268 (36)	131 (17)	62 (95)	33 (51)	24 (37)
All serious adverse events (SAEs)	309 (38)	223 (27)	158 (19)	257 (35)	185 (25)	131 (17)	42 (65)	29 (45)	24 (37)
All select adverse events	282 (34)	37 (5)	5 (1)	253 (34)	32 (4)	3 (<1)	22 (34)	3 (5)	2 (3)
All treatment-related adverse events	439 (53)	59 (7)	1 (<1)	403 (54)	52 (7)	1 (<1)	27 (42)	4 (6)	0
All treatment-related SAEs	23 (3)	19 (2)	1 (<1)*	18 (2)	14 (2)	1 (<1)	3 (5)	3 (5)	0
All treatment-related select AEs	199 (24)	20 (2)	0	181 (24)	16 (2)	0	14 (22)	2 (3)	0
All AEs leading to discontinuation	87 (11)	53 (6)	34 (4)	69 (9)	42 (6)	27 (4)	16 (25)	9 (14)	7 (11)
All treatment-related SAEs leading to discontinuation	14 (2)	12 (2)	1 (<1)	11 (2)	9 (1)	1 (<1)	2 (3)	2 (3)	0
All treatment-related select AEs leading to discontinuation	12 (2)	11 (1)	0	9 (1)	8 (1)	0	2 (3)	2 (3)	0

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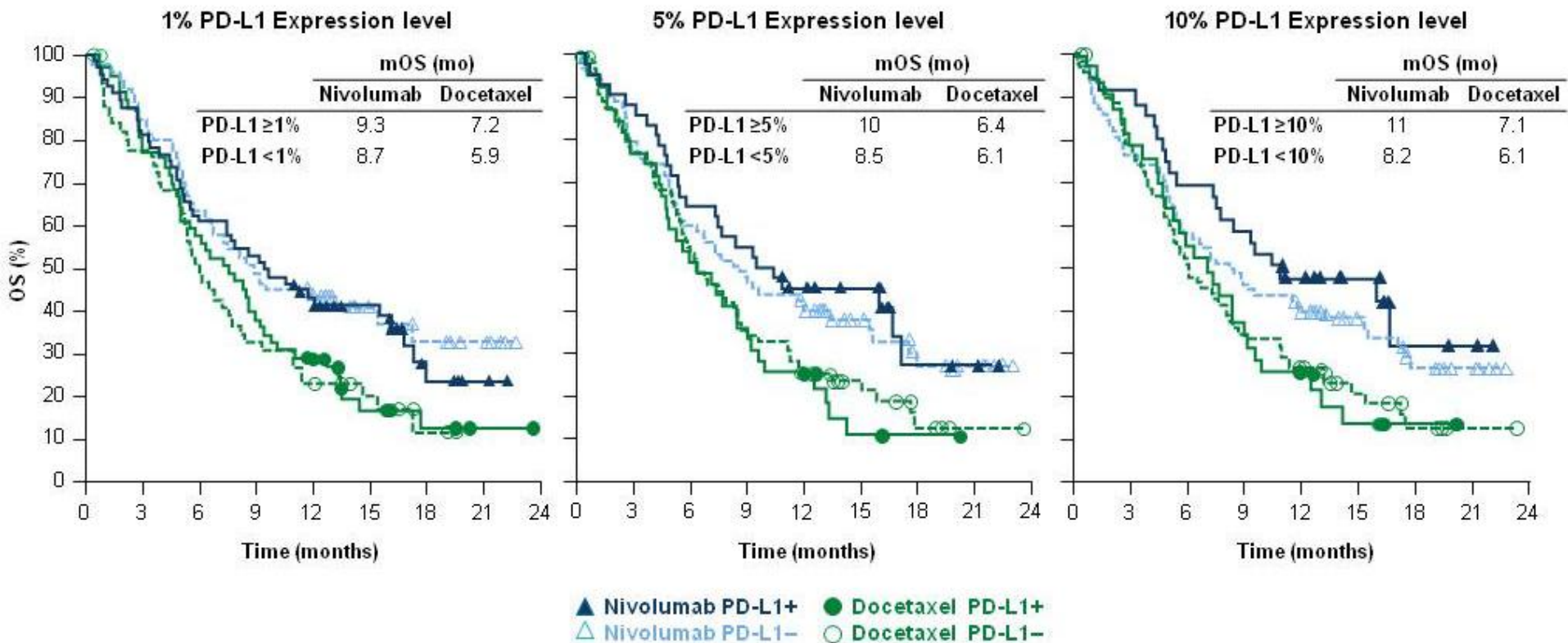
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Importance of a ‘personalized’ sequence

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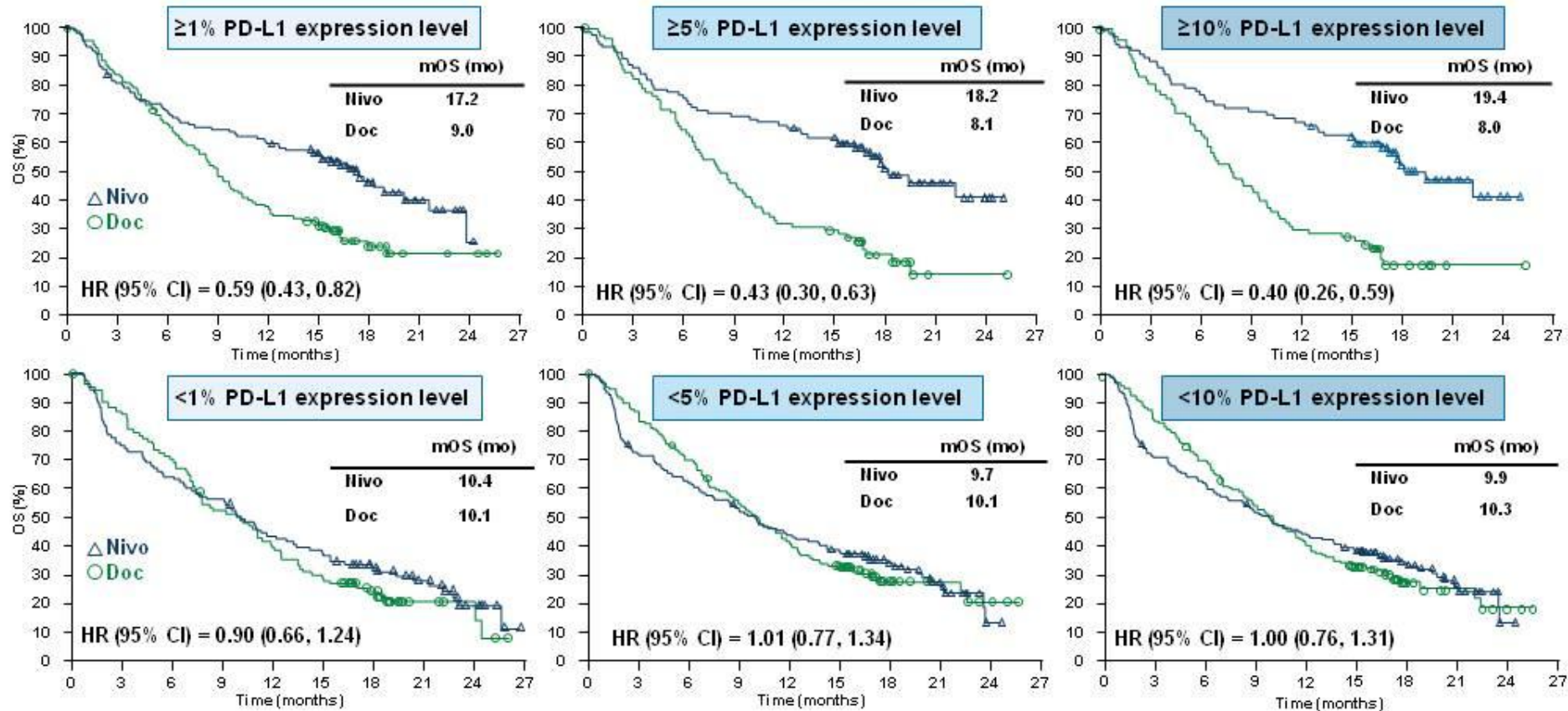
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OS by PD-L1 Expression



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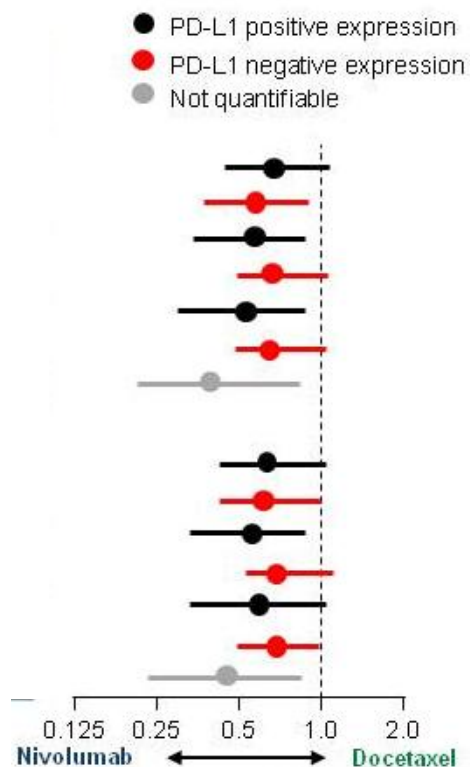
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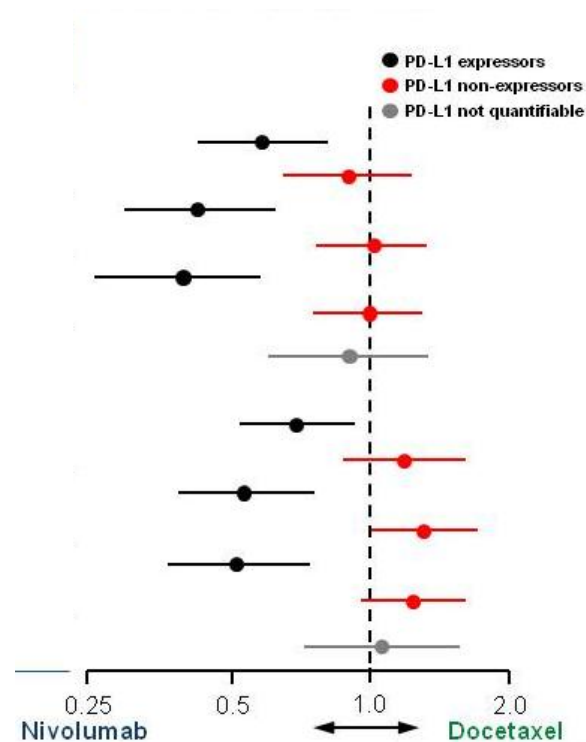
Paz-Ares L, 2015 ASCO Annual Meeting;

Treatment outcome according to PD-L1 expression

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	PD-L1 Expression Level						
	≥1%	<1%	≥5%	<5%	≥10%	<10%	Not quantifiable ^a
Nivolumab							
ORR, ^b % (n/N)	18 (11/63)	17 (9/54)	21 (9/42)	15 (11/75)	19 (7/36)	16 (13/81)	39 (7/18)
Docetaxel							
ORR, ^b % (n/N)	11 (6/56)	10 (5/52)	8 (3/39)	12 (8/69)	9 (3/33)	11 (8/75)	3 (1/29)
Interaction P-value	0.94		0.29		0.64		

PD-L1 expression level	ORR, ^a %		Interaction P-value
	Nivolumab	Docetaxel	
≥1%	31	12	0.0019
<1%	9	15	
≥5%	36	13	0.0020
<5%	10	14	
≥10%	37	13	0.0021
<10%	11	14	
Not quantifiable	13	9	



Dumb and smart tumors

EGFR+ NSCLC:

Example of dumb cancer

- Single dominant mutation
- Small mutational load
- Monotherapy is effective
- Resistance rare, late, same pathway

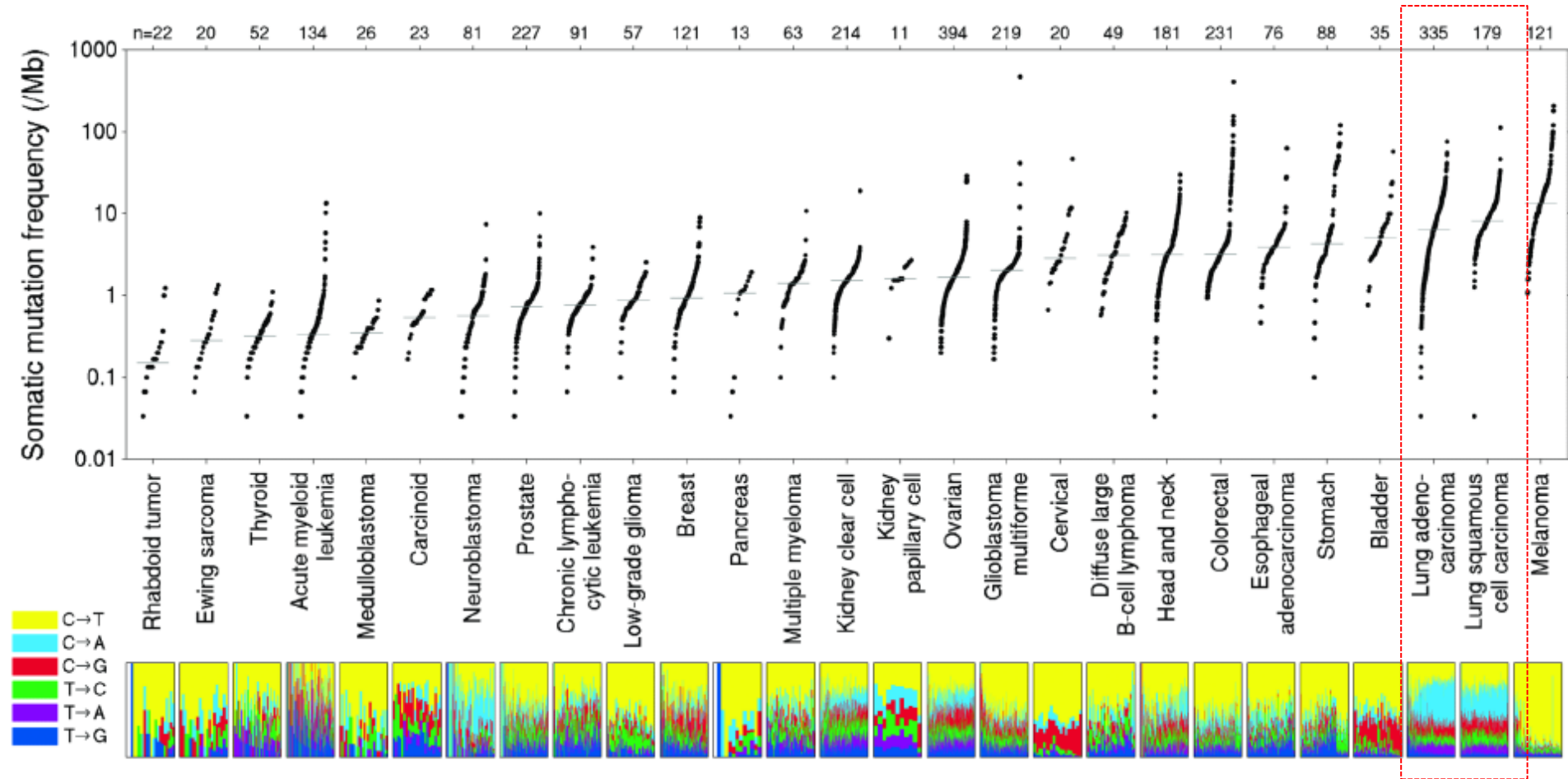


NSCLC in smokers:

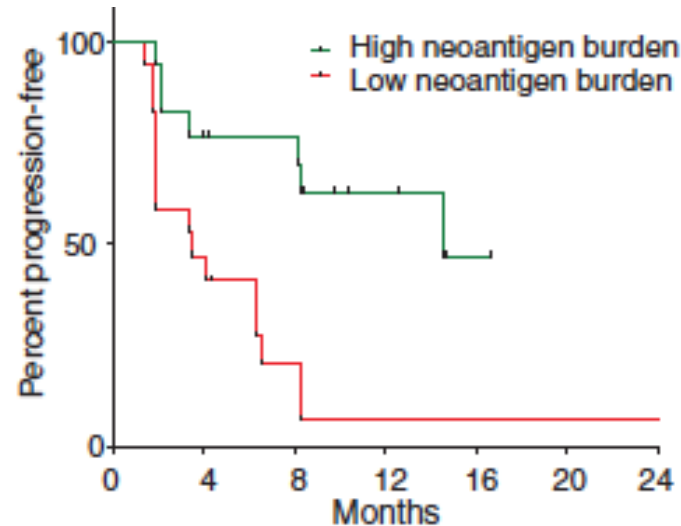
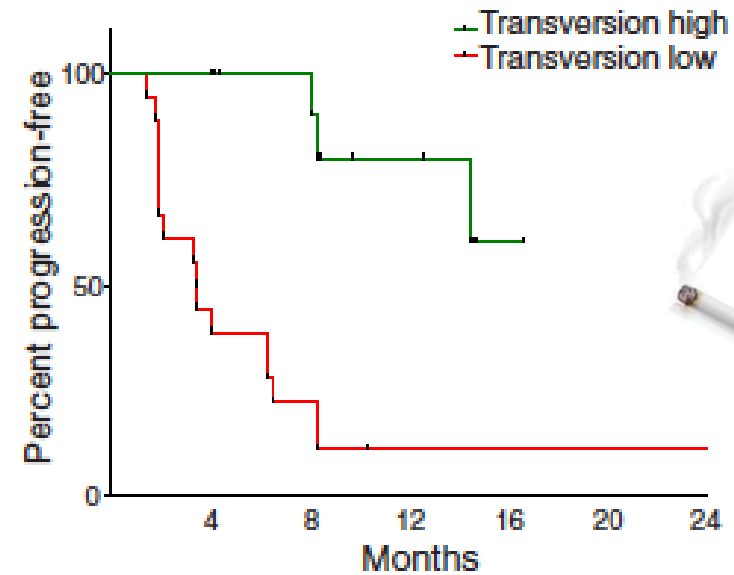
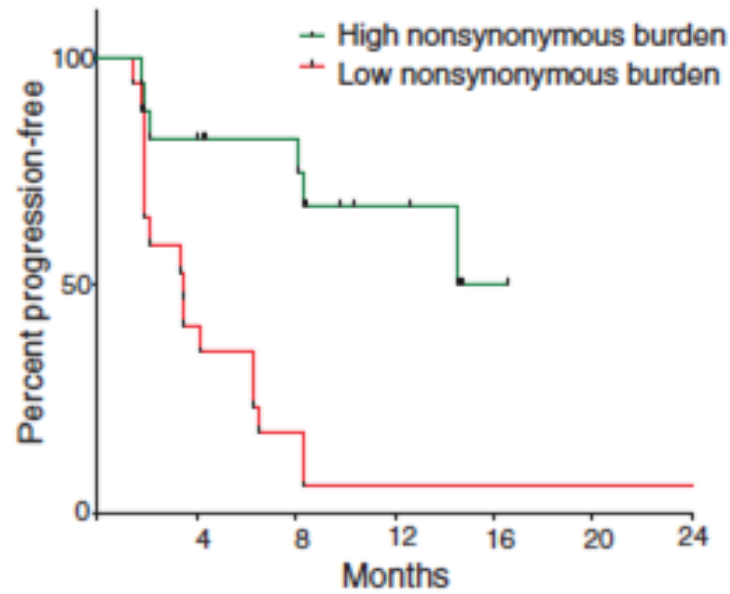
Example of smart cancer

- Multiple mutational drivers
- Large mutational load
- Multi-targeted therapy required
- Resistance common, early

Somatic mutation frequencies in cancer



Mutational load, smoking signature, neoantigen burden and response to checkpoint inhibitors



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Different mutational load in the two histologies?

Different proportion of smokers?

Gene signature as predictive to PD-1/PD-L1 inhibition?

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ATEZOLIZUMAB

- ✓ Phase IIR trial (2L-3L)

PEMBROLIZUMAB

- ✓ Phase I trial (pretreated)

The POPLAR phase IIR study in NSCLC

all comers, 2L-3L

Metastatic or locally advanced NSCLC (2L/3L)
Disease progression on a prior platinum therapy
N = 287

Stratification Factors

- PD-L1 IC expression (0 vs 1 vs 2 vs 3)^a
- Histology (squamous vs non-squamous)
- Prior chemotherapy regimens (1 vs 2)

R
1:1

Atezolizumab
1200 mg IV q3w
until loss of clinical benefit

Docetaxel
75 mg/m² IV q3w
until disease progression

Primary study objective:

- **Estimate OS in PD-L1 selected and ITT populations**

Secondary study objectives:

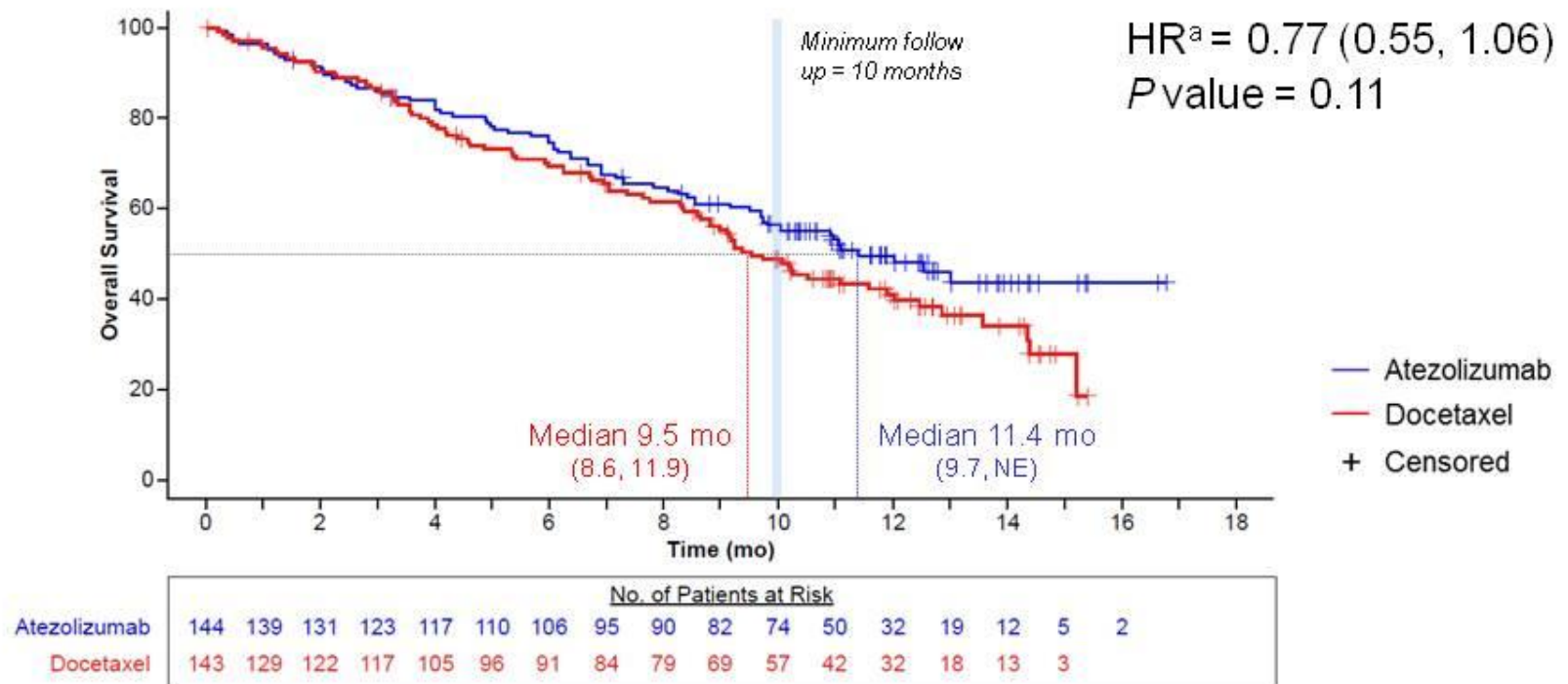
- Evaluate PFS, ORR and DOR in PD-L1 selected and ITT populations
- Evaluate safety

Interim analysis is based on 153 events with a minimum follow-up 10 months

^aArchival or fresh tissue required for pre-dose testing.

The POPLAR phase IIR study in NSCLC

POPLAR: All Patient Efficacy ITT interim OS (N = 287)



^aStratified HR.
Data cut-off Jan 30, 2015.

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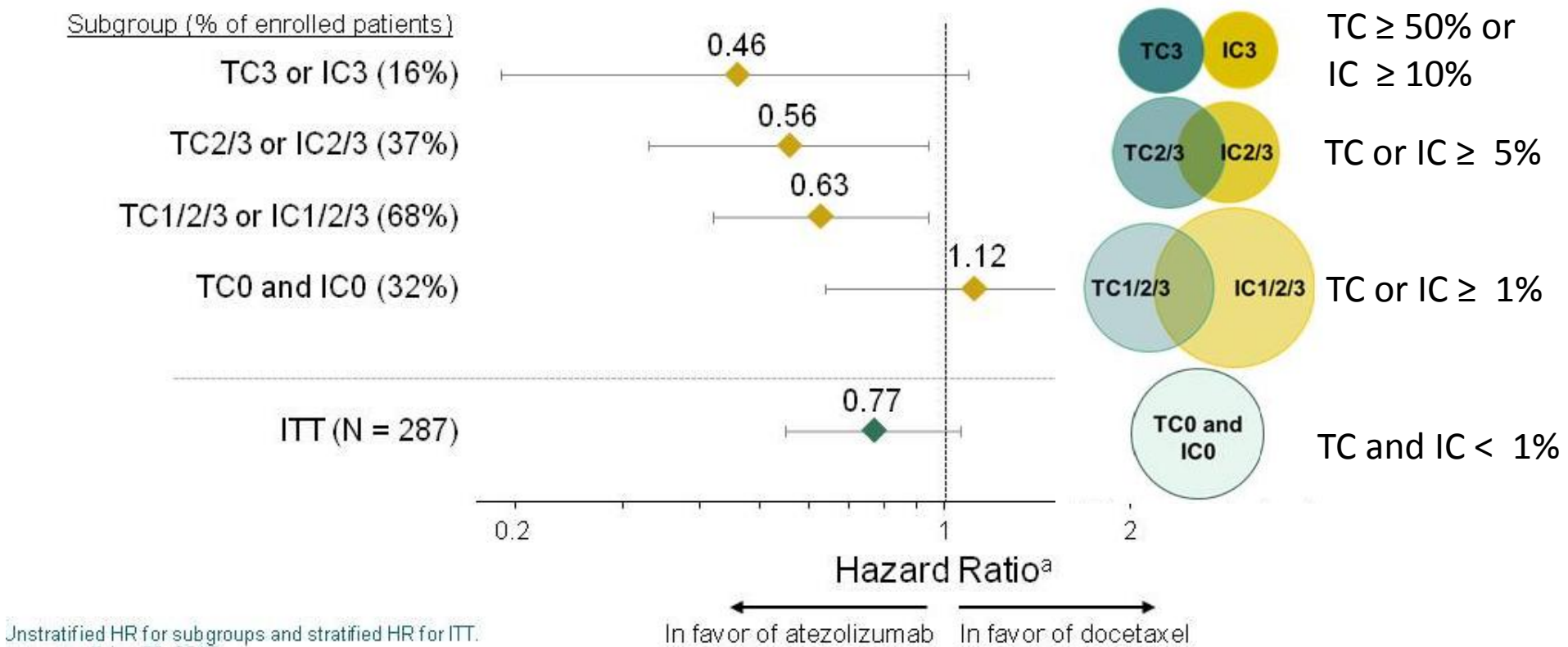
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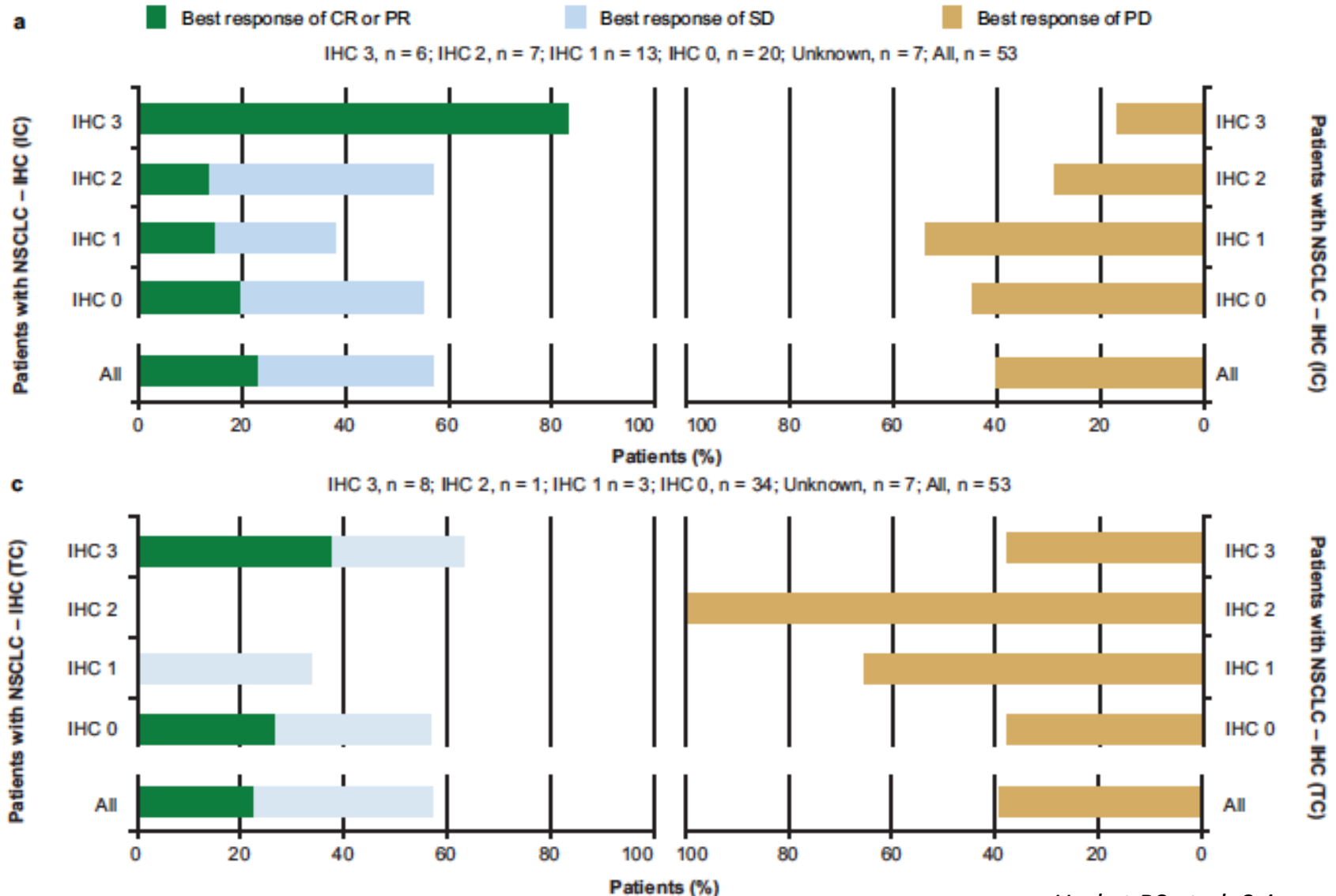
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The POPLAR phase IIR study in NSCLC

POPLAR: PD-L1 Expression Subgroups *Interim OS*



Atezolizumab: predictive correlates of response



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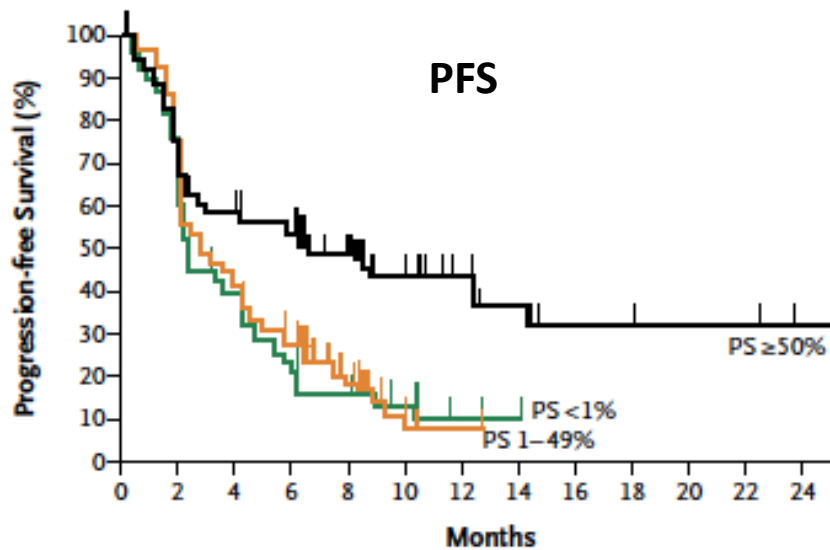
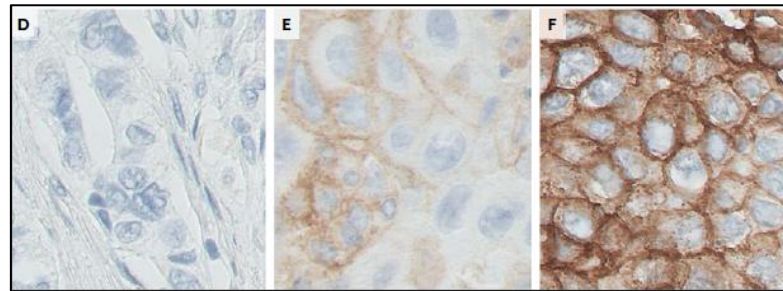
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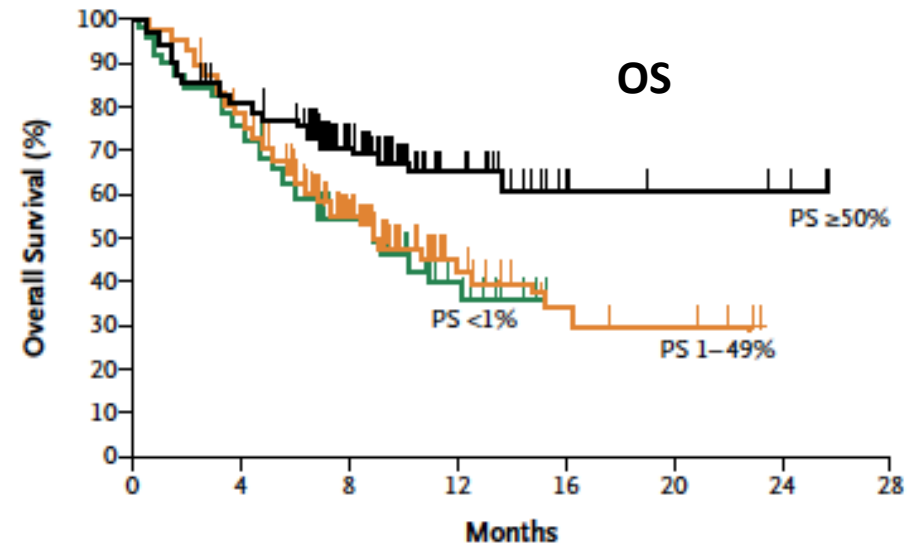
PEMBROLIZUMAB

- ✓ Phase I trial (pretreated)

The KEYNOTE 001 phase I study in pretreated NSCLC



No. at Risk												
PS $\geq 50\%$	119	86	66	60	38	20	13	8	4	3	3	1
PS 1-49%	161	122	70	45	21	4	1	0	0	0	0	0
PS <1%	76	52	29	17	11	6	2	0	0	0	0	0

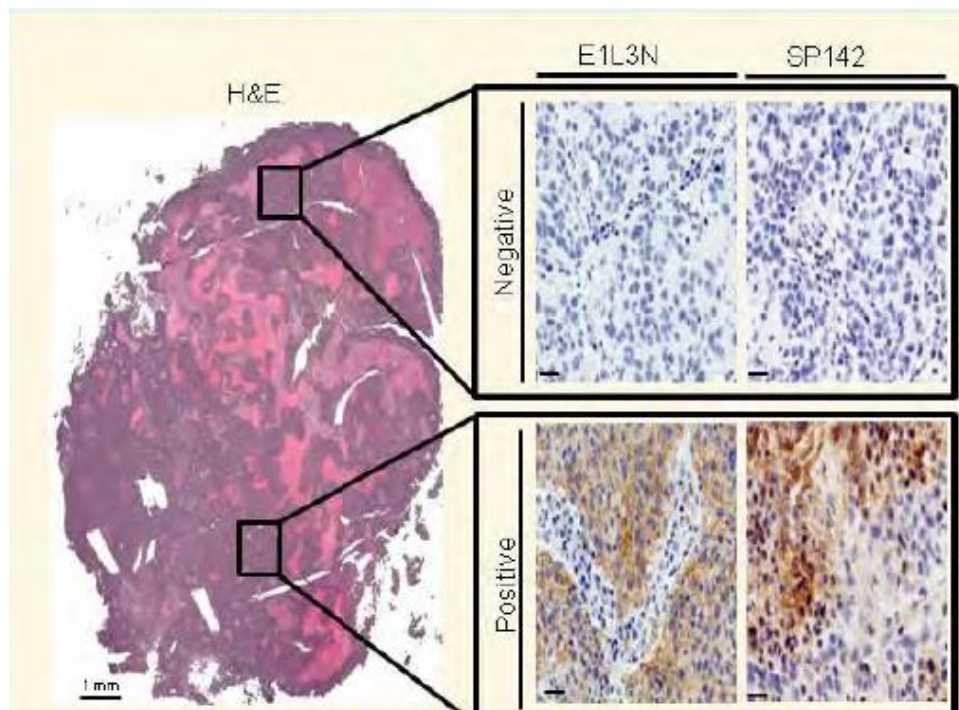


No. at Risk									
PS $\geq 50\%$	119	92	56	22	5	4	3	0	0
PS 1-49%	161	119	58	15	6	4	0	0	0
PS <1%	76	55	33	8	0	0	0	0	0

→ Estimated prevalence of PD-L1: approximately 20-25%

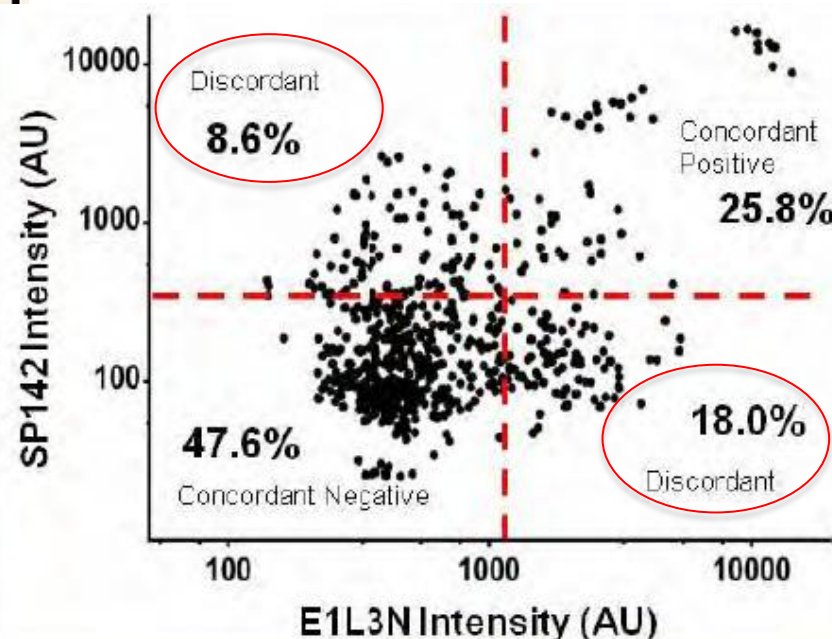
PD-L1 as a predictive immune biomarker: assays, sample collection and analysis in NSCLC studies

	Pembrolizumab Merck	Nivolumab Bristol-Myers Squibb	MPDL3280A Roche/Genentech	MEDI4736 AstraZeneca
PD-L1 Assay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proprietary IHC assay¹ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dako automated IHC assay (28-8 Ab)² 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ventana automated IHC assay 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st generation or Ventana automated IHC (BenchMark ULTRA) assay (Ventana PD-L1 (SP263) clone)^{5,6}
Sample Source and Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surface expression of PD-L1 on tumour specimen* Ph I: Fresh tissue Ph II/III: Archival or fresh tissue¹ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surface expression of PD-L1 on tumour cells* Archival³ or fresh tissue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surface expression of PD-L1 on TILs⁴ Archival or fresh tissue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surface expression of PD-L1 on TILs PhI: Fresh tissue
Definition of Positivity[†]	<p>IHC Staining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong vs weak expression¹ PD-L1 expression required for NSCLC for enrollment¹ <p>Tumour PD-L1 expression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PD-L1⁺ cut-point: 24% (4/7) PD-L1⁺ ≥ 0 : 61% (23/38) 	<p>IHC Staining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong vs weak expression^{2,3,4} Patients not restricted in PD-L1 status in 2nd- & 3rd-line³ Ph III 1st-line trial in PD-L1⁺² <p>Tumour PD-L1 expression:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5% PD-L1⁺ cut-off: 49% (33/68)³ 	<p>IHC Staining intensity (0, 1, 2, 3):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IHC 3 (≥10% PD-L1⁺): Ph III trial⁴ IHC 2,3 (≥5% PD-L1⁺)⁴ IHC 1,2,3 (≥1% PD-L1⁺)⁴ IHC 1, 0, or unknown PD-L1 expression required for NSCLC for enrollment <p>TIL PD-L1 expression:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11% (6/53) IHC 3 (≥10% PD-L1⁺) 75% (40/53) PD-L1 low (IHC 1, 0) 	<p>IHC Staining intensity :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not presented to date^{5,6} <p>TIL PD-L1 expression:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not presented to date^{5,6}

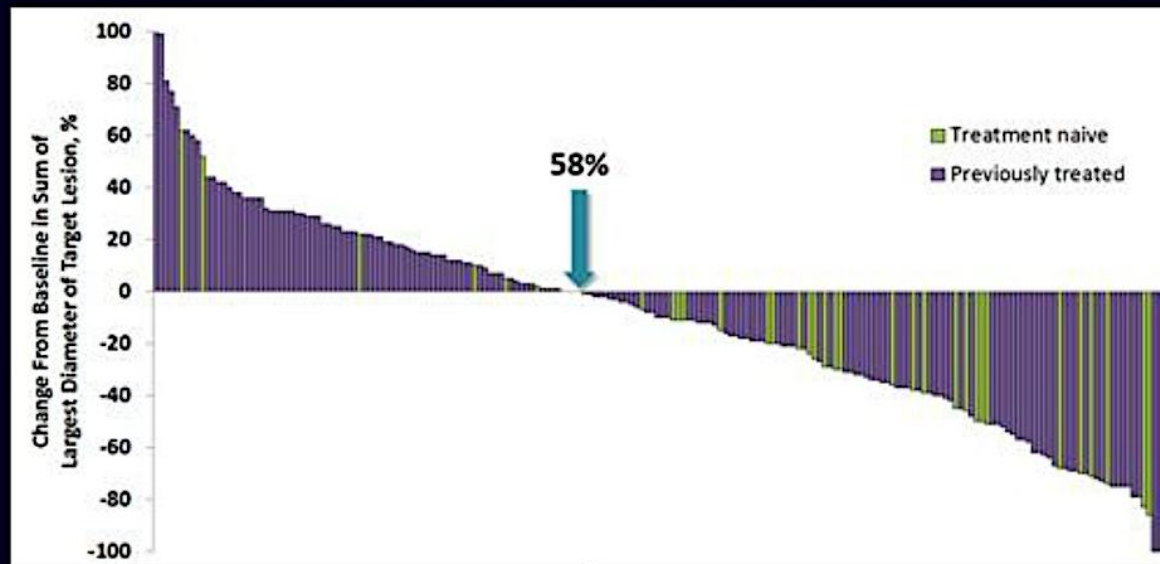


PD-L1 is dynamic and heterogeneous.....

...and variable according to the antibody



Patients who might benefit

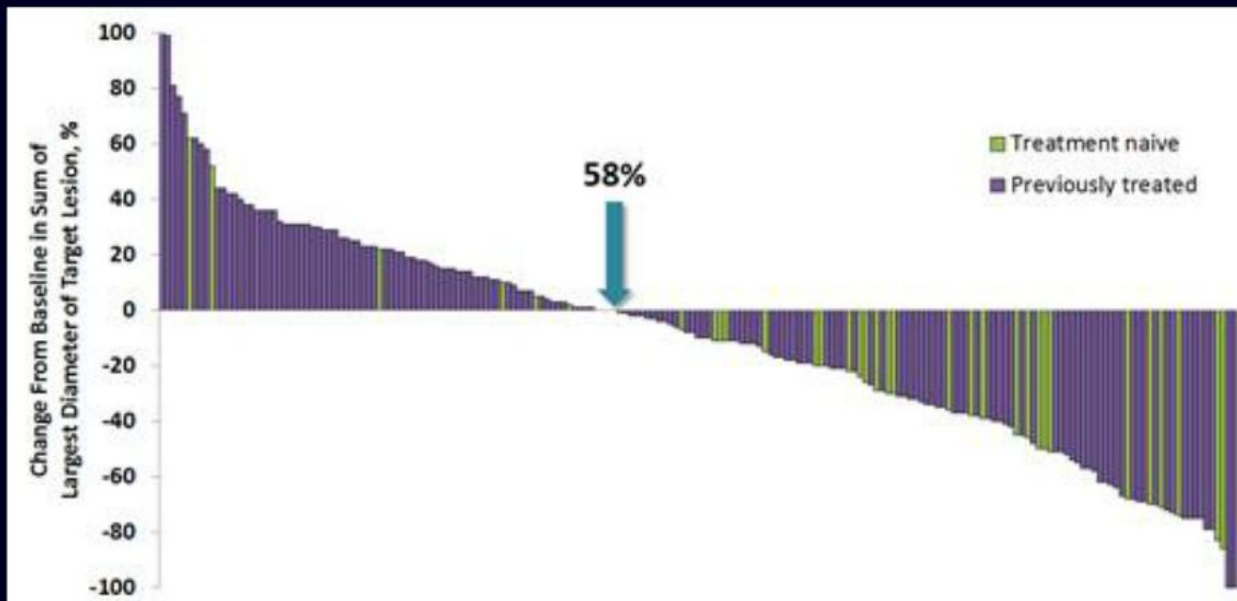


Are we confident in accurately identifying these patients?

Functional MHC class 1 presentation **AND** Probably (but not exclusively):

- PD-L1 positivity **AND/OR**
- Specific TILs tumour infiltration **AND/OR**
- High mutation load (smoking, mismatch repair...) **AND/OR**
- Expression of potent neo-antigens **AND/OR**
- Others: interferon signature, ...?

Patients who probably don't benefit



Need to induce T-cell response

- Combinations with other immunotherapy strategies: checkpoints modulators/ TLR agonists / oncolytic viruses / cytokines / vaccines / targeted therapies

Do we expect a potential role for immunotherapy in this patient population?

Future perspectives

