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## Immunotherapy for the treatment of GU Malignancies

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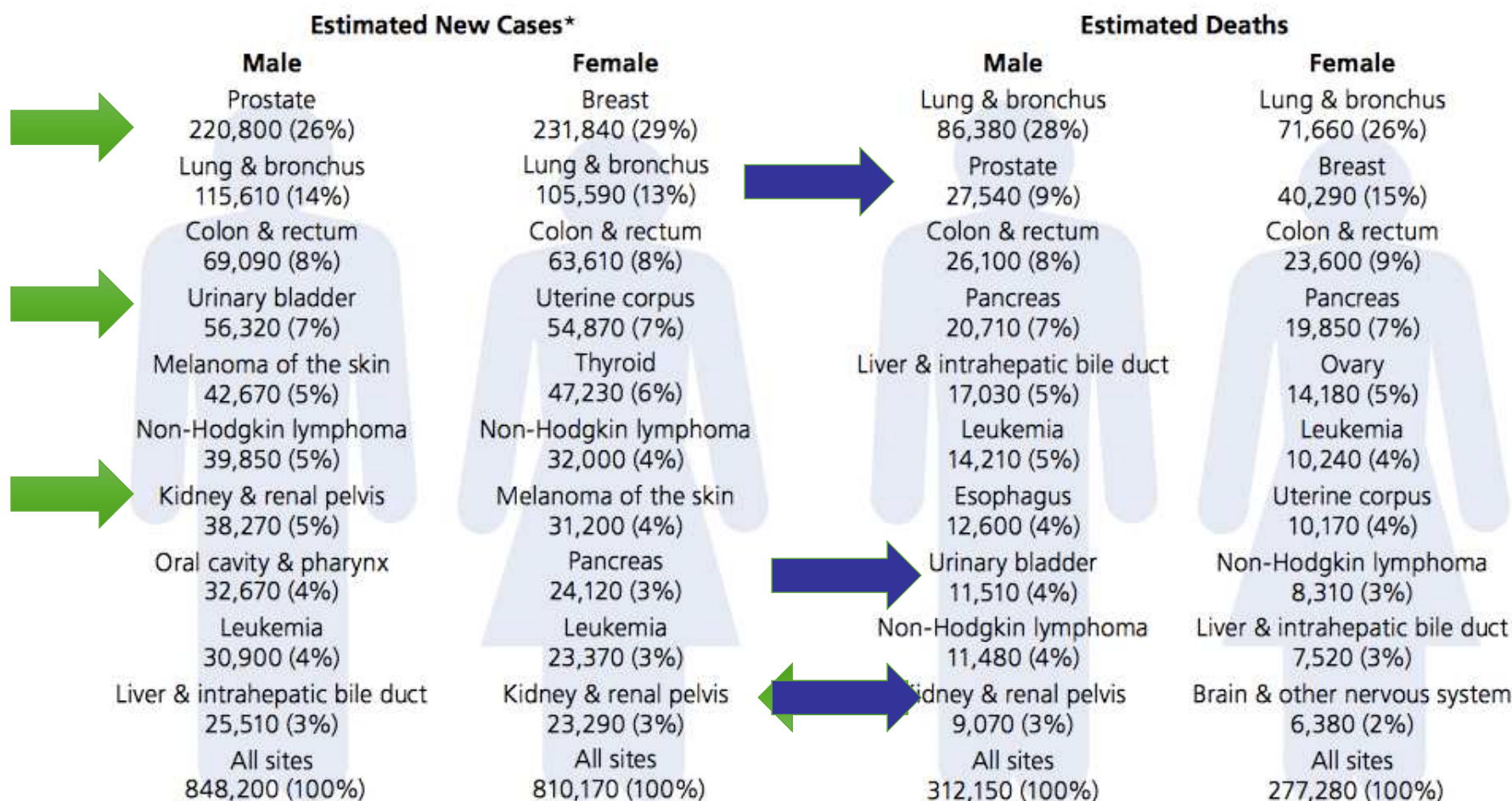
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# Outline

1. *General Principles*
2. *Urothelial Carcinomas*
3. *Renal Cell Carcinoma*
4. *Prostate Cancer*

# Genitourinary Malignancies

## Leading Sites of New Cancer Cases and Deaths – 2015 Estimates



# General Principles – Immunotherapy



**Cancer Immunotherapy  
Given the "Breakthrough of  
the Year" Title.**

Science magazine deems  
advances in cancer  
immunotherapy as the  
scientific breakthrough of the  
year.

Immunotherapy referred to as  
a "turning point in cancer".

# Classes of Immunotherapies

## **Active**

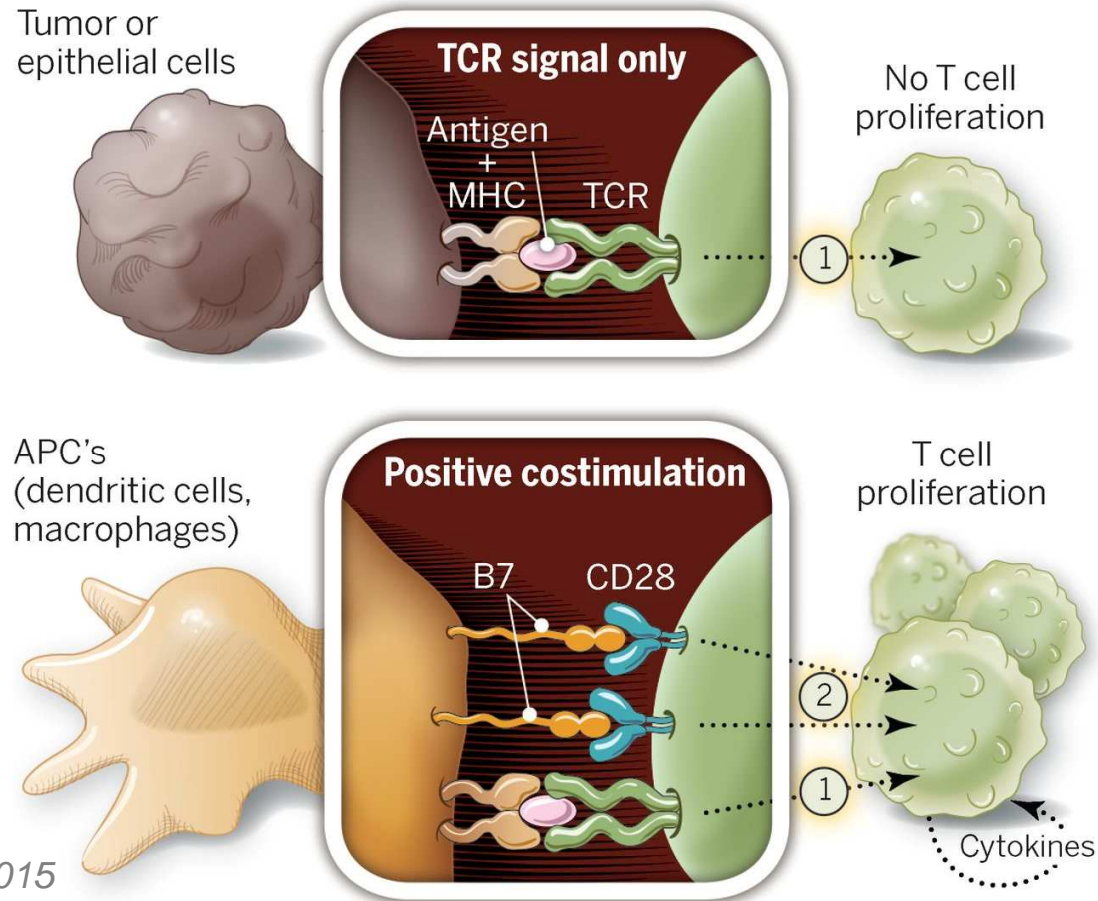
- Vaccines
- IC BCG
- Cytokine Therapy

## **Passive**

- Monoclonal antibody therapy
- Cell-based therapy
  - T cell
  - APC
- Infusion of gamma globulin

# What is the nature of the immune response towards tumors?

**Tumors fail to elicit immune response.**

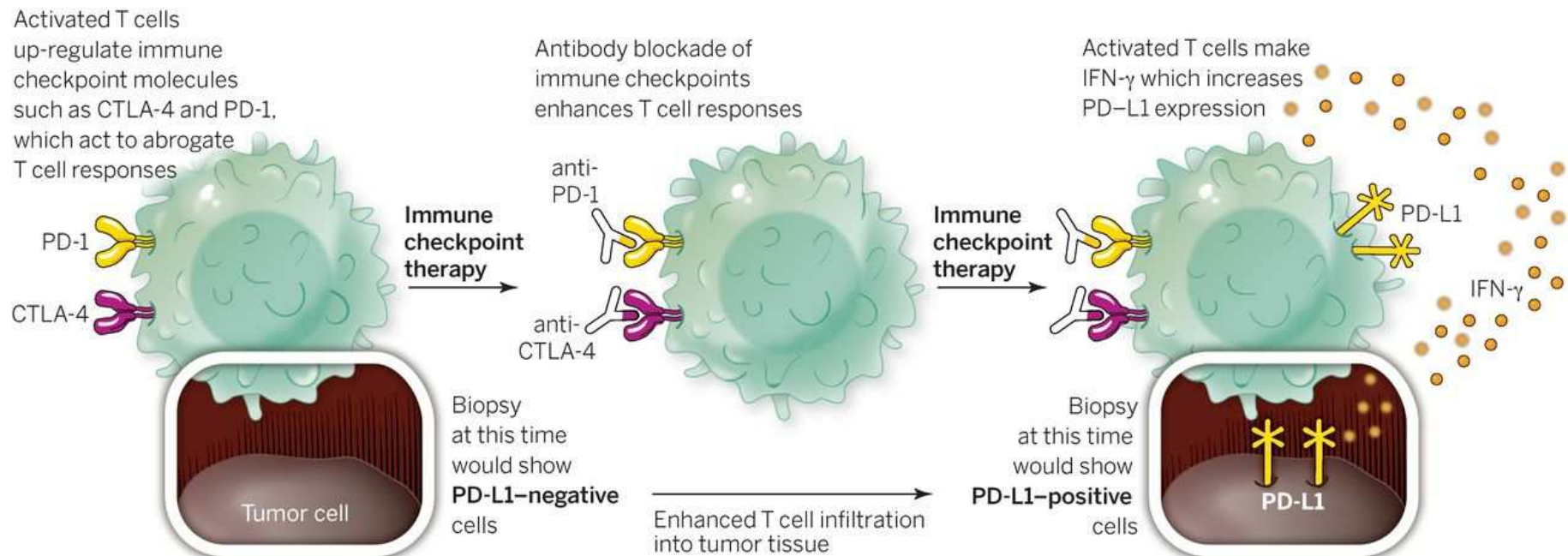


*Sharma and Allison  
Science 348:6230, 2015*



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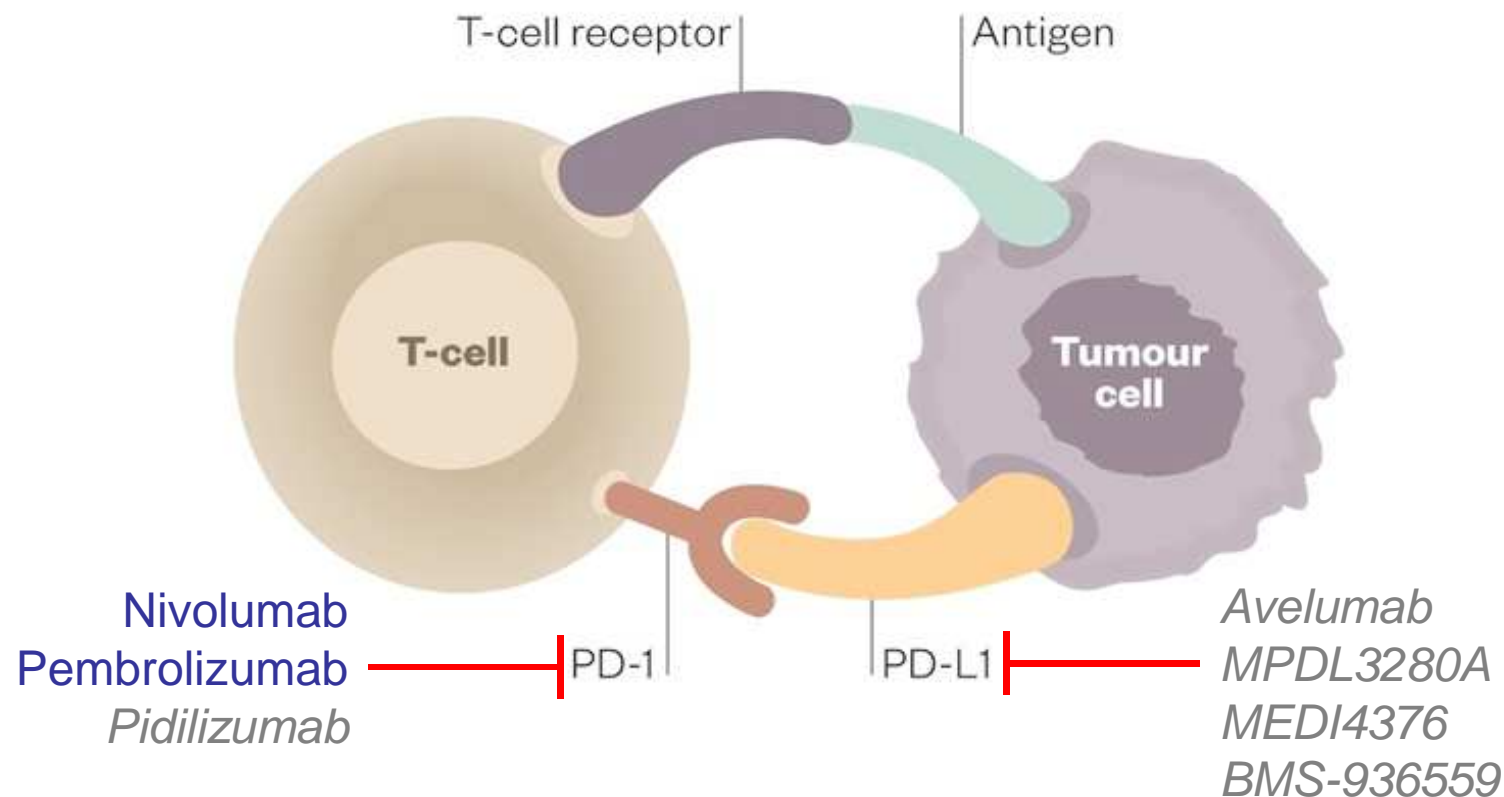
**Tumors actively suppress the immune response via ‘checkpoint’ inhibitors.**





# Checkpoint inhibitors

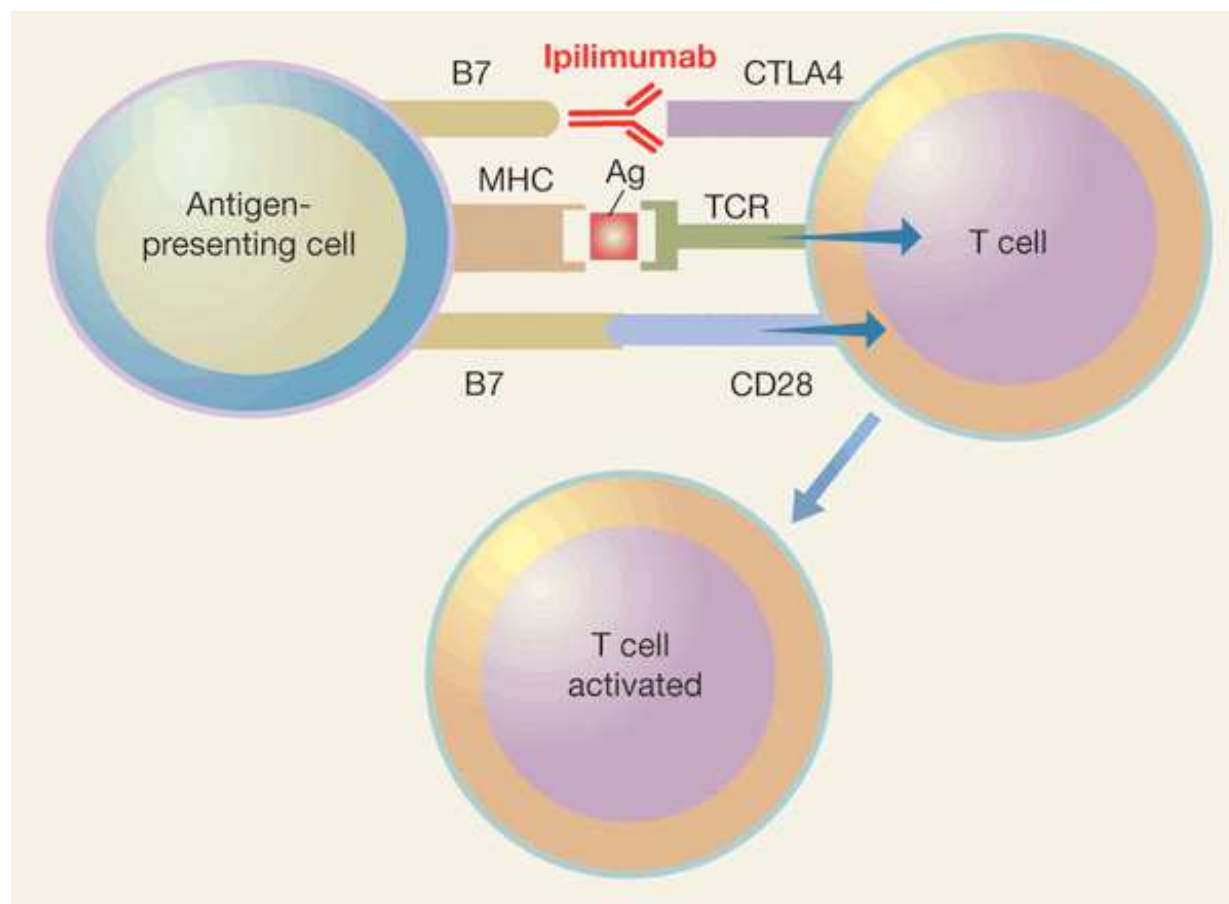
Tumor cells evade the body's immune system by turning it off by expressing PD-L1, which binds to PD-1 leading to the arrest of the immune response directed against the tumor.



# Targeting immune checkpoint inhibitors with monoclonal antibodies

Ipilimumab

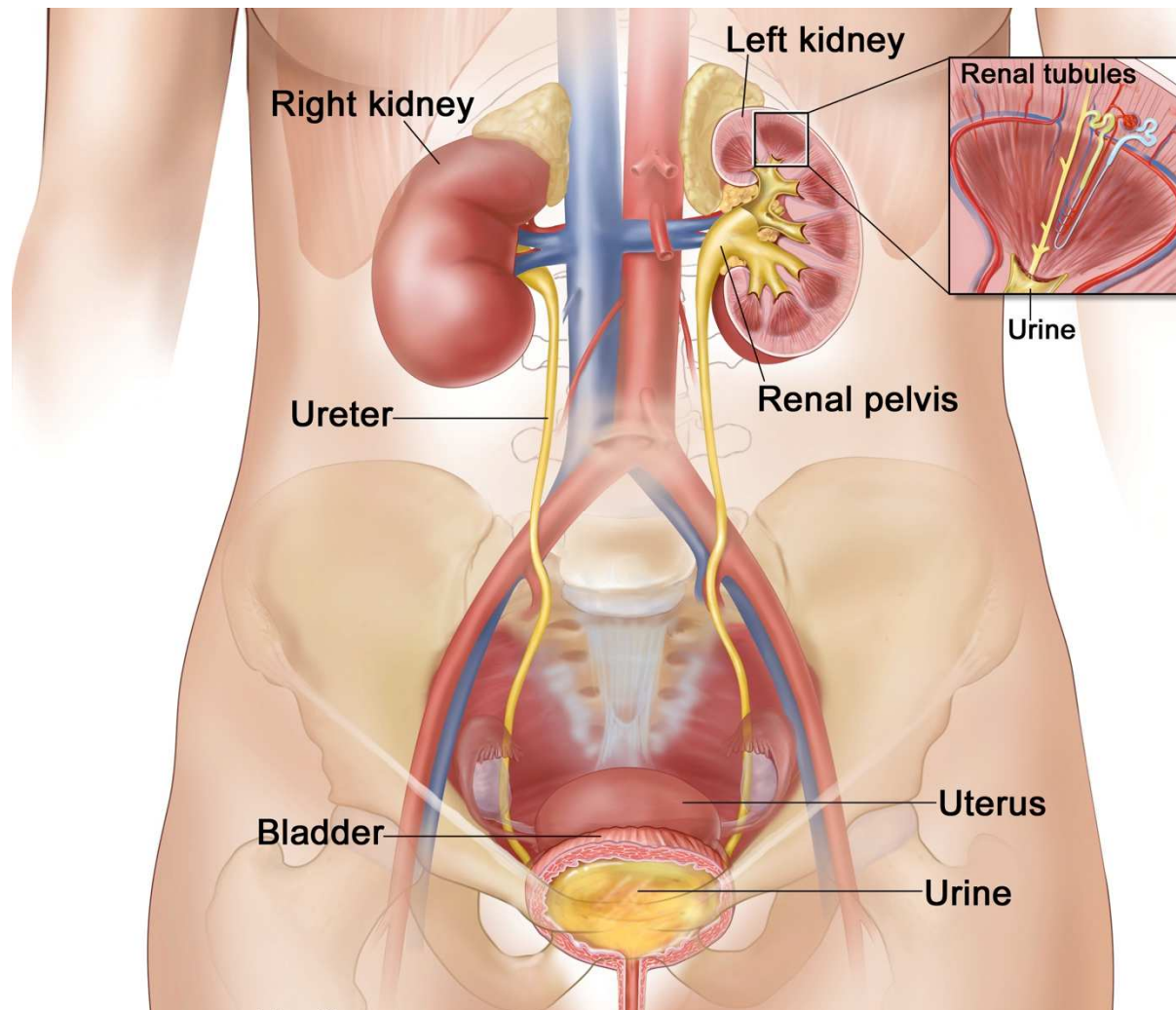
FDA approval Jan. 1, 2011.



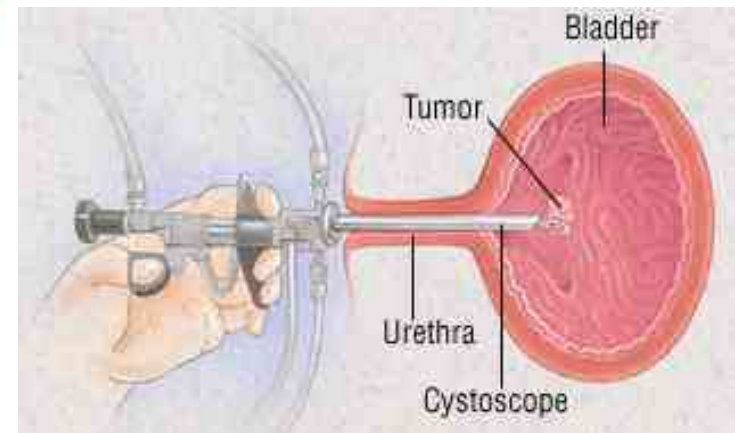
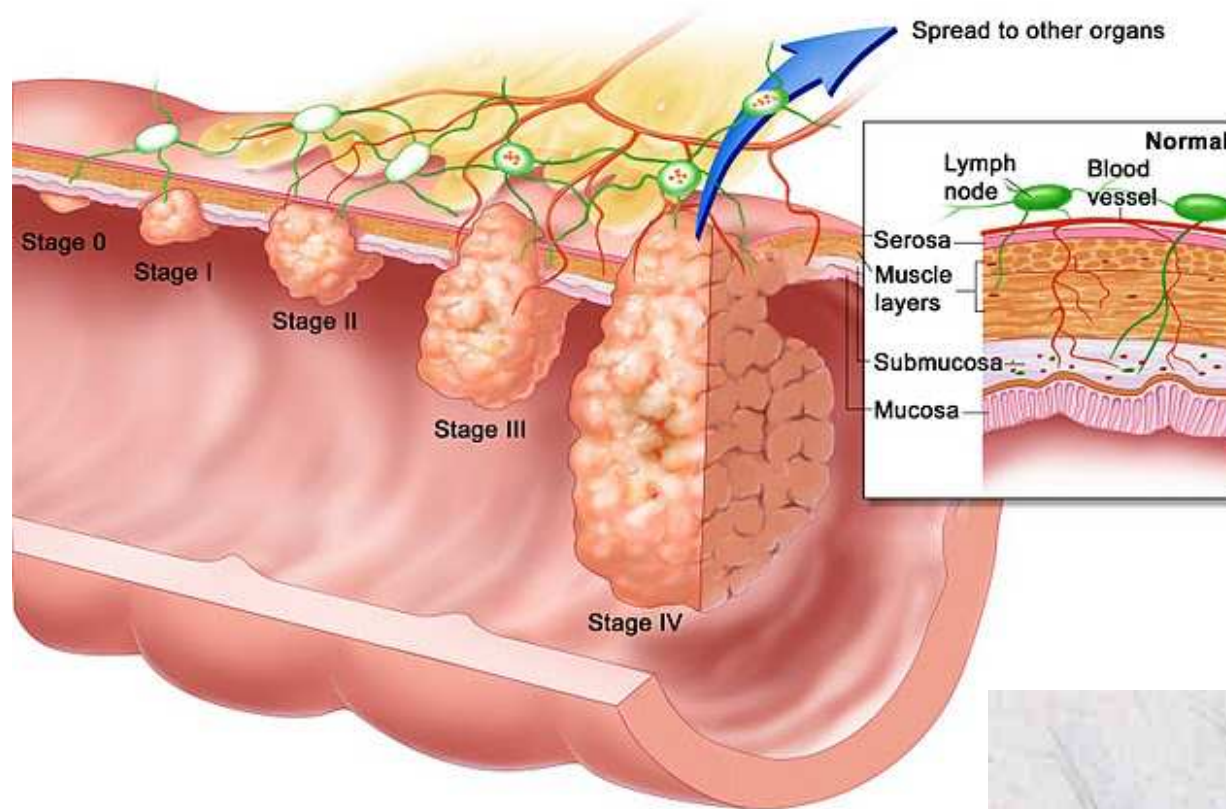
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# Urothelial Cancers

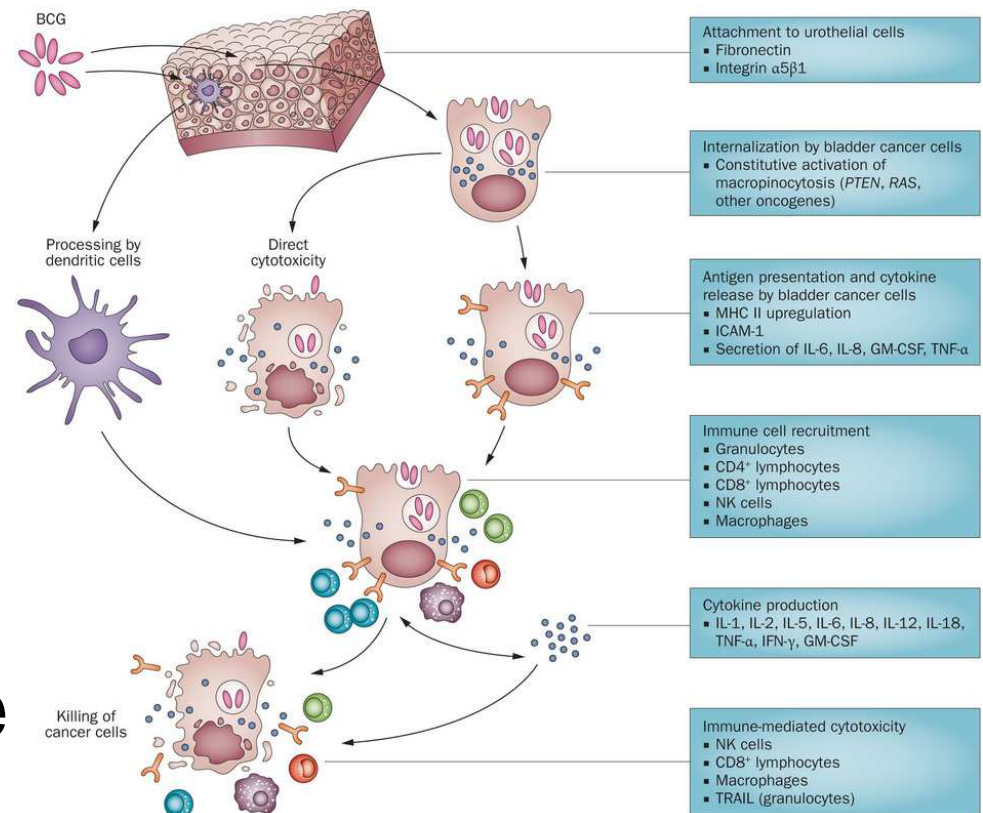


# Superficial Urothelial Cancers



# BCG for refractory tumors

- Bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG)
  - Instilled into bladder
  - Prevents recurrence of high risk disease



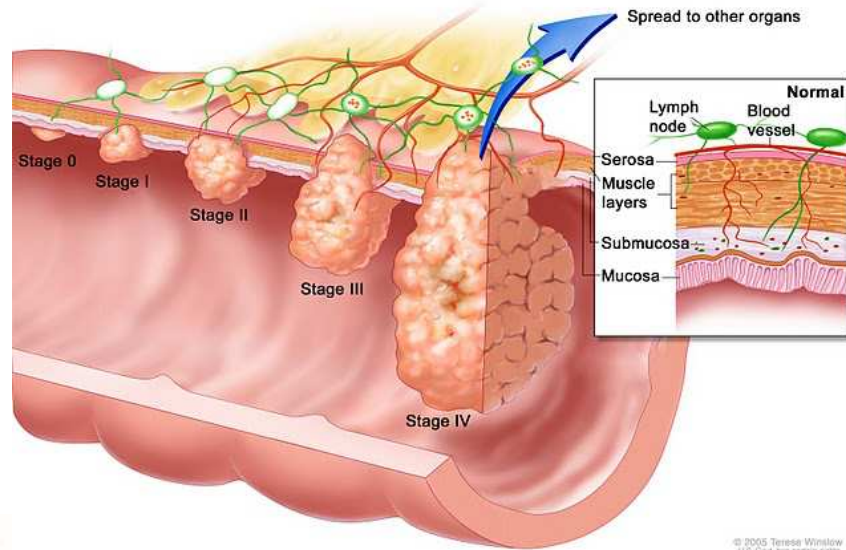


# Urothelial CA- BCG immunotherapy

- 1929- 1<sup>st</sup> association of TB and cancer
- 1976- first use in superficial bladder cancer
- Mechanism of action unknown

*Pearl, AM J Hygeine 1929; Morales, J Urol 1976;*

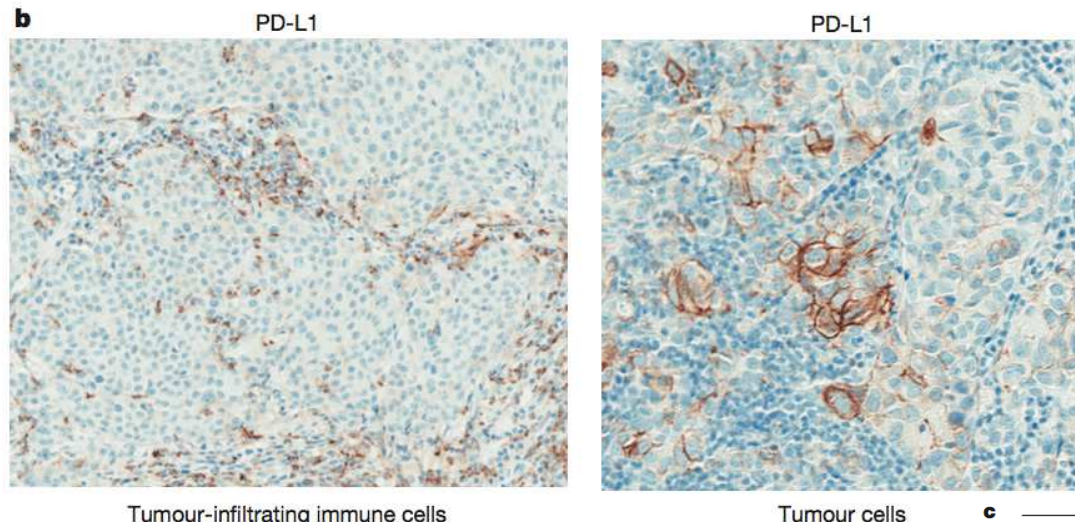
# Muscle Invasive Cancer



# PD-L1 inhibition in refractory urothelial cancers

## MPDL3280A (anti-PD-L1) treatment leads to clinical activity in metastatic bladder cancer

Thomas Powles<sup>1</sup>, Joseph Paul Eder<sup>2</sup>, Gregg D. Fine<sup>3</sup>, Fadi S. Braiteh<sup>4</sup>, Yohann Loriot<sup>5</sup>, Cristina Cruz<sup>6</sup>, Joaquim Bellmunt<sup>7</sup>, Howard A. Burris<sup>8</sup>, Daniel P. Petrylak<sup>2</sup>, Siew-leng Teng<sup>3</sup>, Xiaodong Shen<sup>3</sup>, Zachary Boyd<sup>3</sup>, Priti S. Hegde<sup>3</sup>, Daniel S. Chen<sup>3</sup> & Nicholas J. Vogelzang<sup>9</sup>

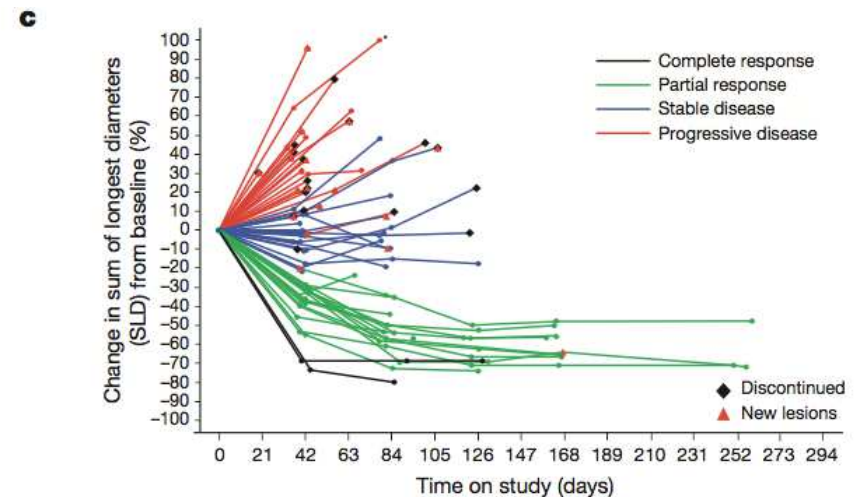
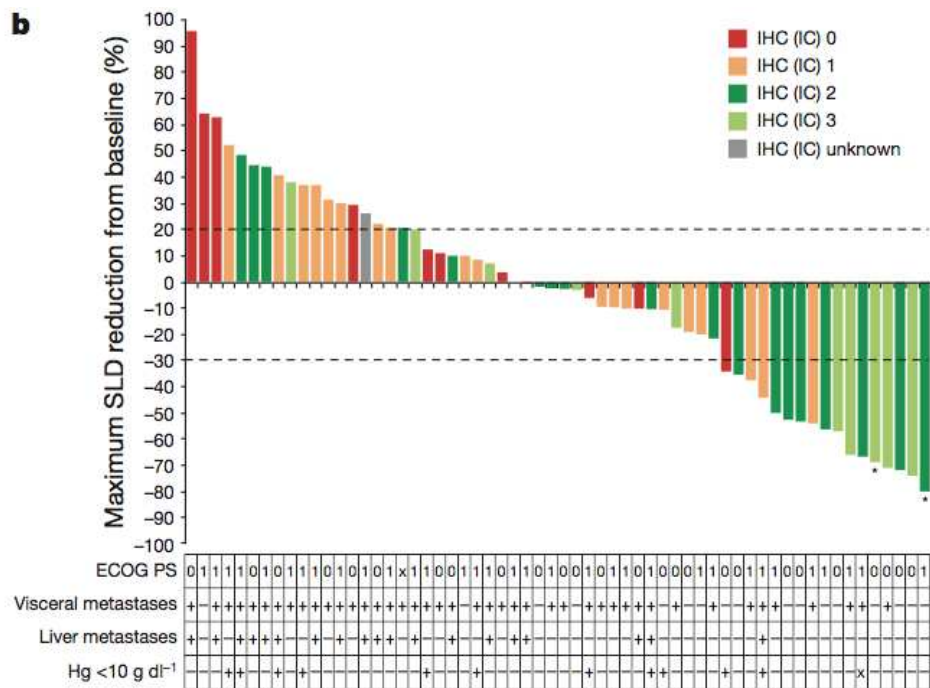


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Tumour-infiltrating immune cells and objective response rates

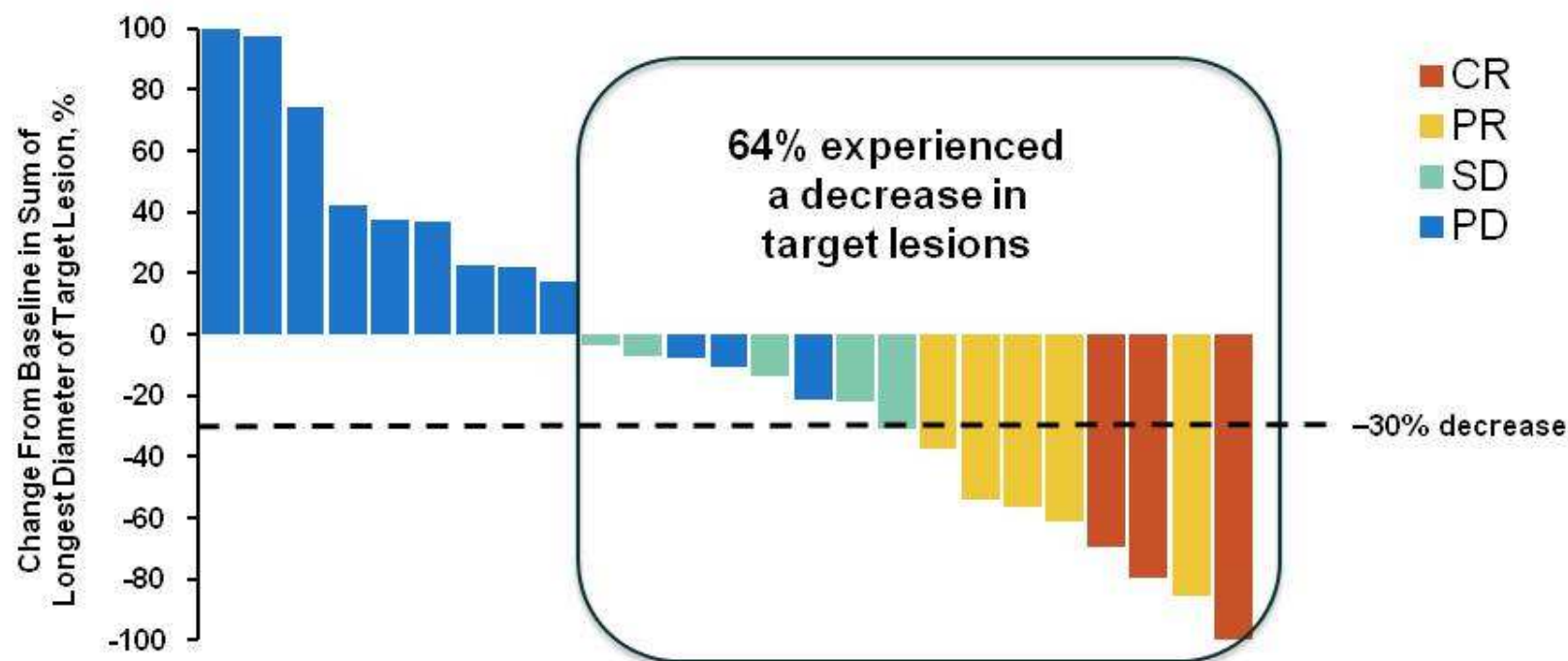
	Objective response rate <i>n</i> (%)	Stable disease <i>n</i> (%)	Progressive disease <i>n</i> (%)
IHC 2/3 ( <i>n</i> = 30)	13 (43.3) (95% CI: 25.5–62.6)	8 (26.7)	8 (26.7)
IHC 3 ( <i>n</i> = 10)	5 (50.0) (95% CI: 22.2–77.8)	2 (20.0)	3 (30.0)
IHC 2 ( <i>n</i> = 20)	8 (40.0) (95% CI: 20.9–63.9)	6 (30.0)	5 (25.0)
IHC 0/1 ( <i>n</i> = 35)	4 (11.4) (95% CI: 4.0–26.3)	13 (37.1)	13 (37.1)
IHC 1 ( <i>n</i> = 23)	3 (13.0) (95% CI: 3.7–31.7)	8 (34.8)	8 (34.8)
IHC 0 ( <i>n</i> = 12)	1 (8.3) (95% CI: 0.4–34.9)	5 (41.7)	5 (41.7)

# PD-L1 inhibition in refractory urothelial cancers



# KEYNOTE-012: Pembrolizumab

## Maximum Percent Change From Baseline in Target Lesions



Analysis includes patients with measurable disease per central review at baseline who received  $\geq 1$  pembro dose and had  $\geq 1$  post-baseline tumor assessment (n = 25).  
RECIST v1.1, Central Review.  
Analysis cutoff date: March 23, 2015.

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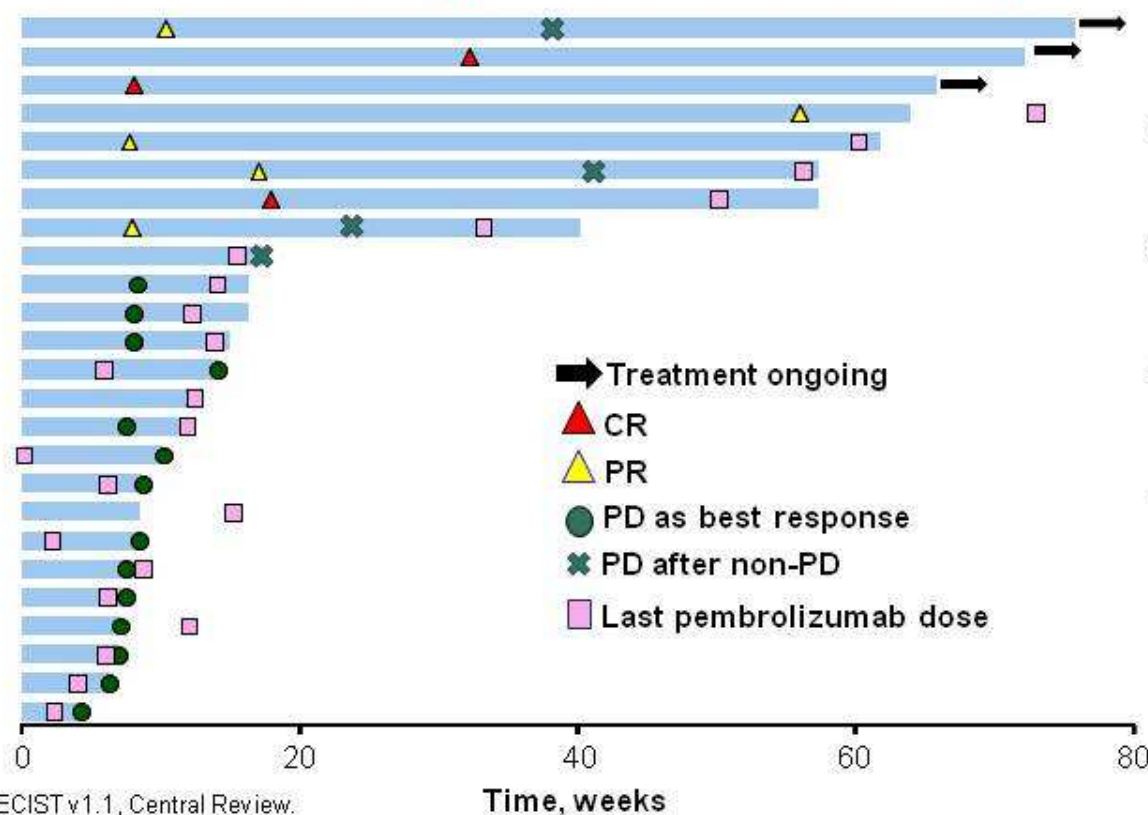
ASCO Annual '15 Meeting

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## Treatment Exposure and Response Duration



- Median follow-up duration:
  - 15 (0.6-20) months
- Median time to response:
  - 9 (7.7–55.9) weeks
- Response duration:
  - 8.1 to 64.1+ weeks
- 3 patients remain on therapy

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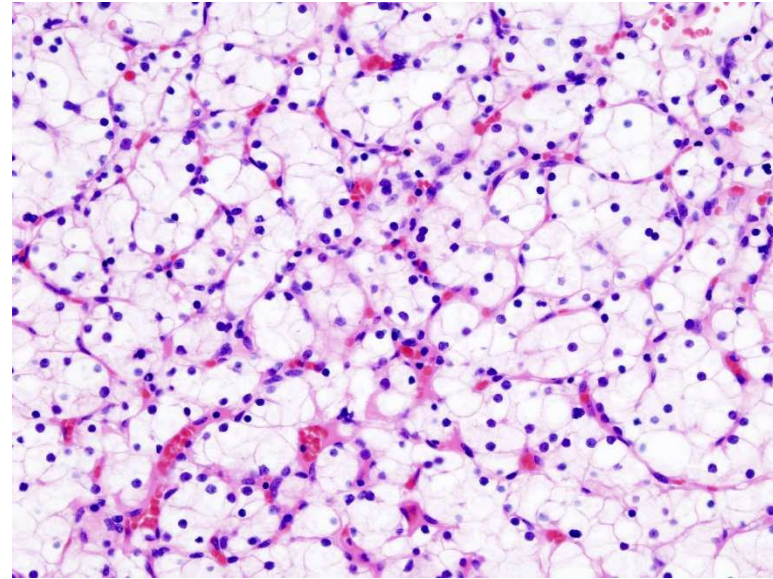
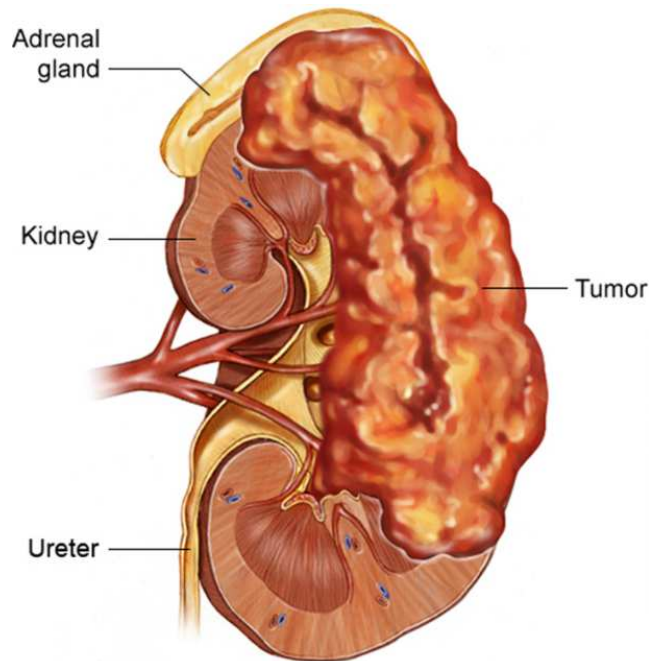
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# Renal Cell Cancers



- Cytokine Therapies: IL-2 & IFN-alpha
- Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors
- Checkpoint Inhibitors: Ipilimumab and PD-1
- Vaccine Therapy: AGS-003

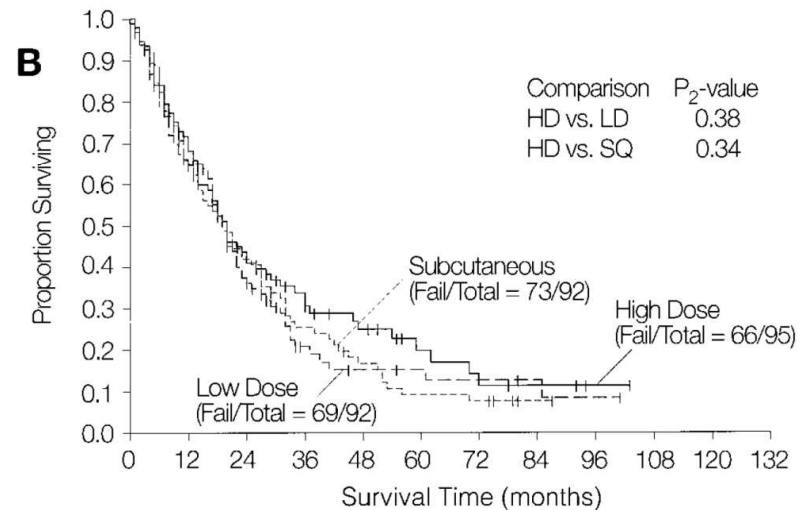
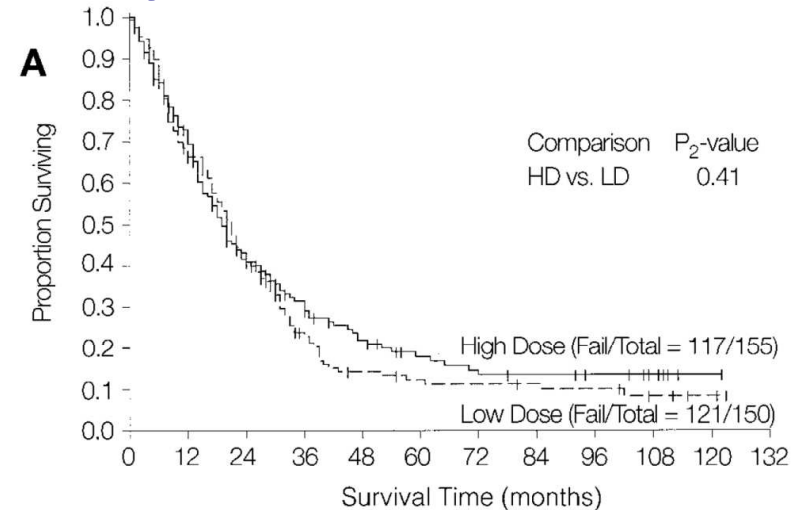
# HD-IL2 therapy for RCC

**Table 4. Response Durations**

Duration (months)					
High-Dose IV IL-2		Low-Dose IV IL-2		Subcutaneous IL-2	
CR	PR	CR	PR	CR	PR
130+	<b>37</b>	128+	<b>24</b>	<b>78+</b>	<b>28</b>
121+	<b>28</b>	113+	23	<b>13</b>	<b>28</b>
115+	<b>24</b>	<b>40+</b>	22		<b>17</b>
114+	<b>23</b>	20	<b>21+</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>103+</b>	<b>19</b>	19	<b>15</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>100+</b>	<b>17</b>	3	<b>13+</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>90+</b>	<b>17</b>		11		<b>2</b>
<b>52+</b>	16		<b>11</b>		
<b>45</b>	15		<b>8+</b>		
<b>23</b>	14		7		
19	<b>14</b>		<b>7</b>		
	<b>14+</b>		<b>4</b>		
	13		<b>4</b>		
	<b>10</b>				
	<b>9</b>				
	<b>8+</b>				
	<b>8</b>				
	8				
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	<b>4</b>				

NOTE. Bold values are for patients concurrently randomly assigned between three arms. + indicates response is ongoing.

Abbreviations: IV, intravenous; IL-2, interleukin-2; CR, complete response; PR, partial response.



720,000 U/kg vs. 72,000 U/kg

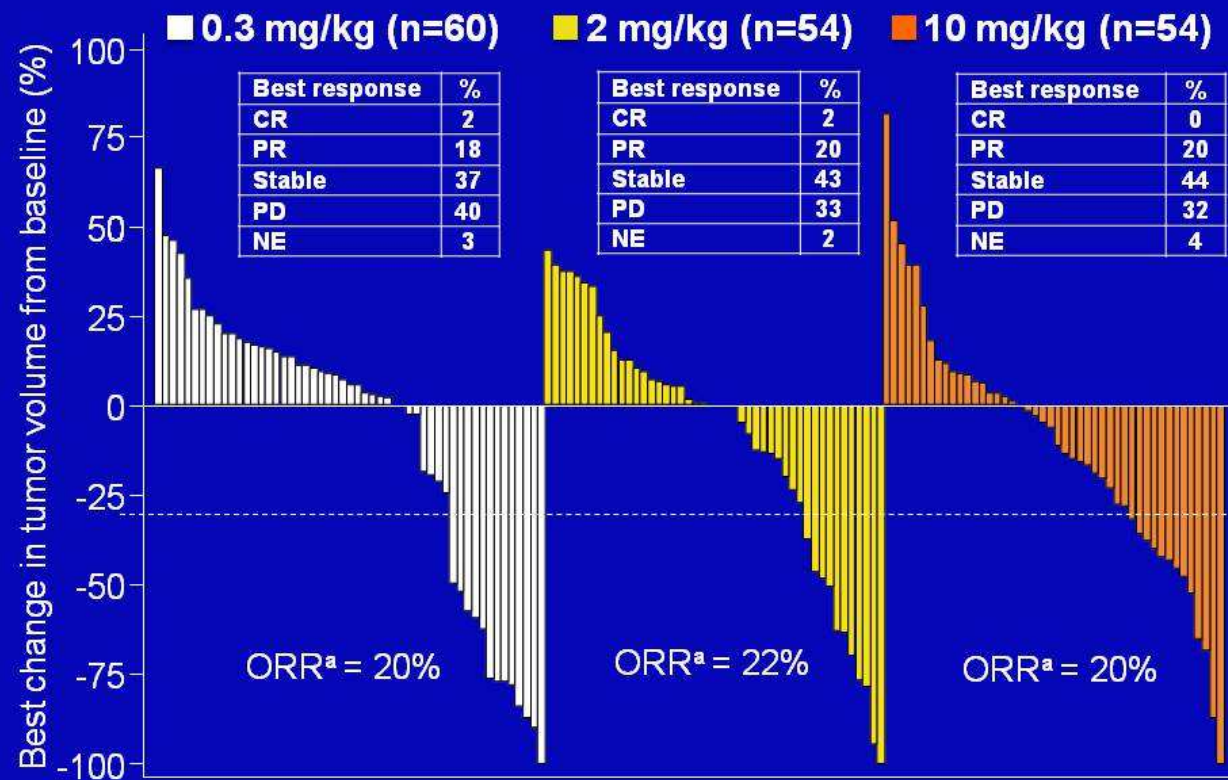
Yang, JCO 2003

# Summary of RCC Clinical Trials

		Therapy	Alternative
First Line	Good px	Sunitnib or Pazopanib IFN + bev or HD-IL2	Sorafenib
	Poor px	Temsirolimus	
Second Line	Cytokine Refractory	Sorafenib Pazopanib	Sunitinib
	VEGF(R) or mTOR Refractory	Everolimus Axitinib	Sequential TKIs
Non-Clear Cell		Temsirolimus Sunitinib Everolimus	

# Nivolumab in RCC

## Objective responses

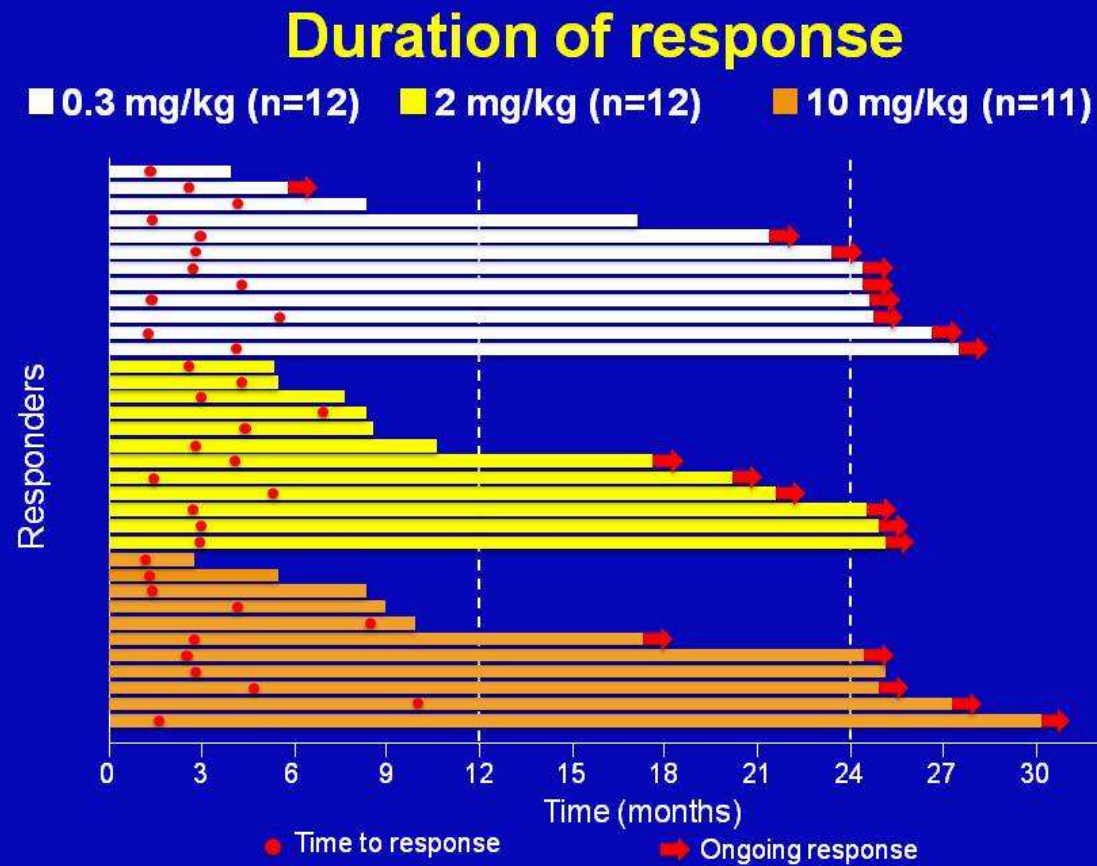


<sup>a</sup>ORR defined by RECIST v1.1; data cutoff May 15, 2013.  
CR, complete response; PR, partial response; PD, progressive disease; NE, not evaluable.

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# Nivolumab in RCC



Based on data cutoff of March 5, 2014.

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# CheckMate 016

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## CA209-016 (NCT01472081): phase I study design (N + I cohort)

Patients with mRCC:



- **Primary endpoint:** Safety (AEs, laboratory tests)
- **Secondary endpoint:** Efficacy (ORR, duration of response, PFS)
- **Exploratory endpoint:** Response by tumor PD-L1 status
- **Study assessments:** Tumor response (RECIST v1.1) evaluated at screening, every 6 weeks (first 4 assessments), then every 12 weeks until disease progression

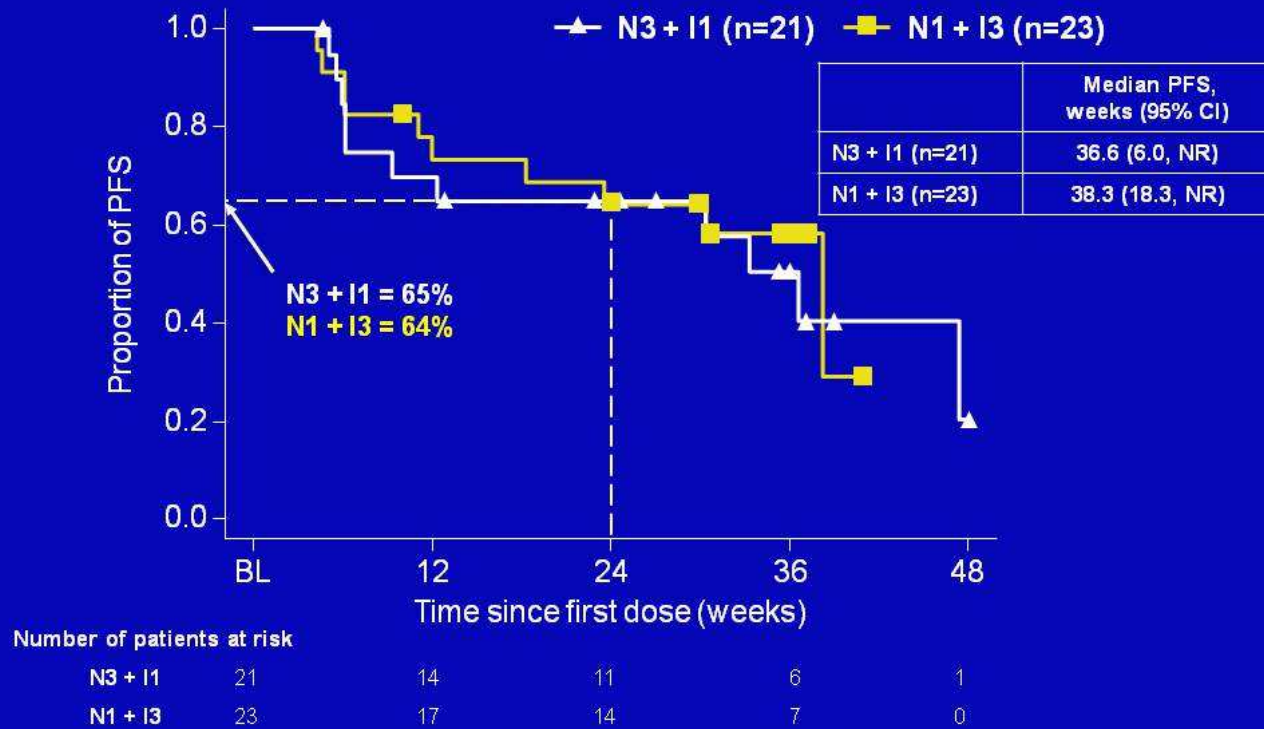
ORR, objective response rate.

TKI cohort presented by Amin A *et al.* ASCO 2014, Abstract 5010

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## Progression-free survival



Symbols represent censored observation. Number of patients at risk listed is number at risk before entering the time period. NR, not reached.

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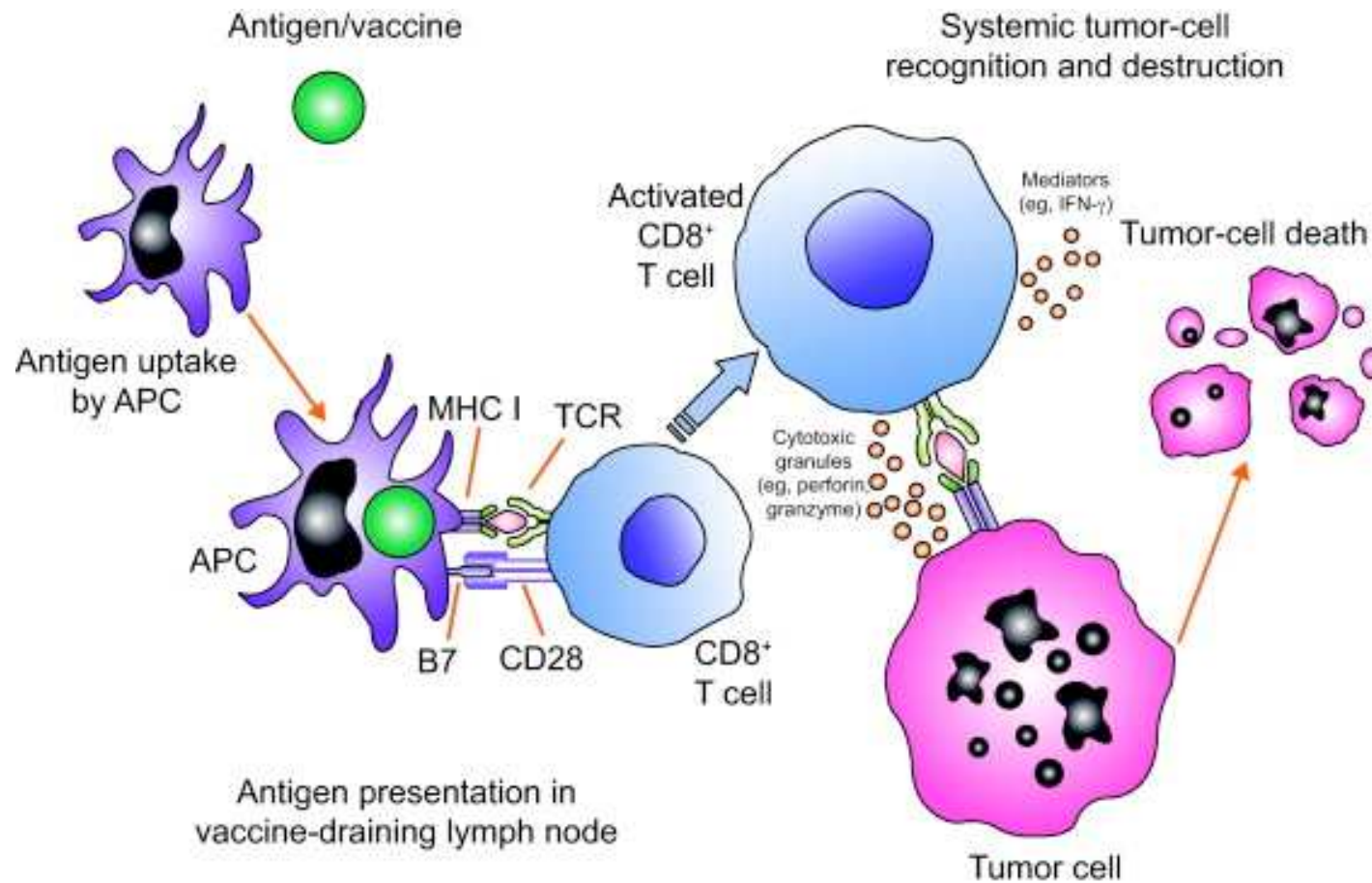
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# Active phase 3 studies in RCC

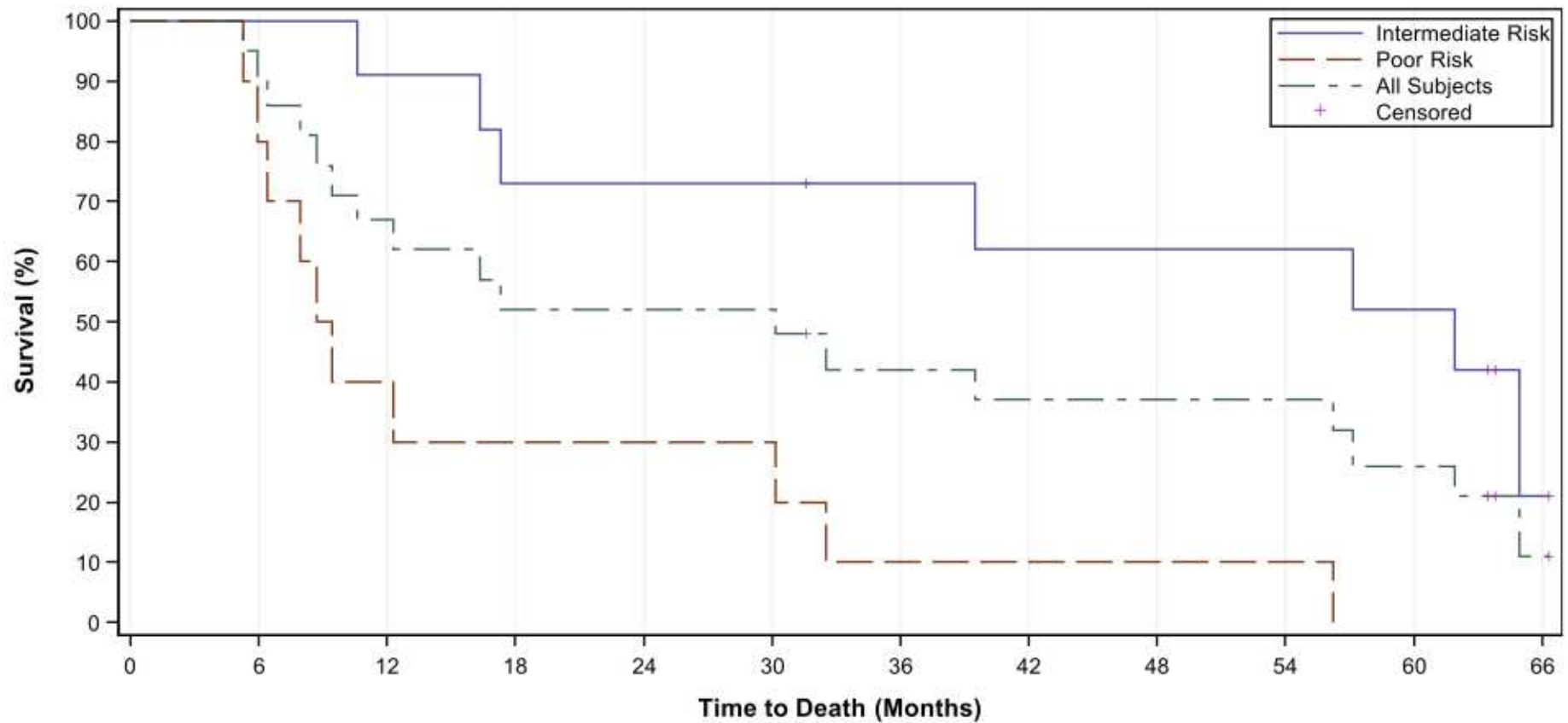
- CheckMate phase 3 RCC
  - Ipilimumab + Nivolumab vs. sunitinib
  - First line metastatic RCC
- ADAPT
  - Sunitinib +/- AGS-003 (autologous dendritic cell vaccine)

Open and accruing at CSMC

# AGS-003: mechanism of action



# Sunitinib + AGS-003



Number at Risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	median (95% CI)
Intermediate Risk	11	11	11	9	9	9	8	7	7	7	6	2	1	61.9 (16.32, NE)
Poor Risk	10	9	5	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	9.1 (5.26, 30.16)
All Subjects	21	20	15	12	12	12	9	8	8	8	6	2	1	30.2 (9.44, 57.14)

Amin et al, J Immunother Cancer. 2015; 3: 14.

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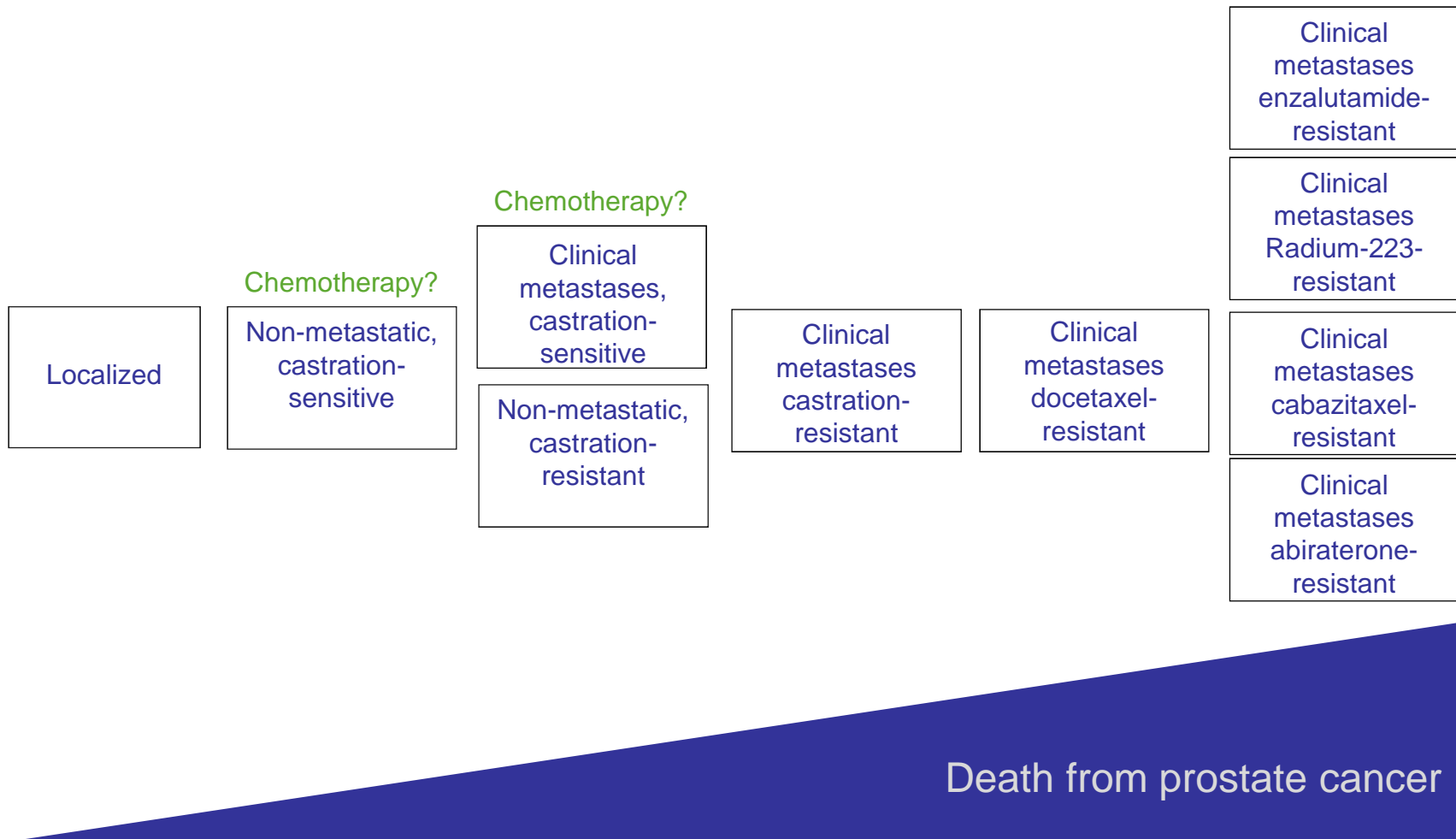
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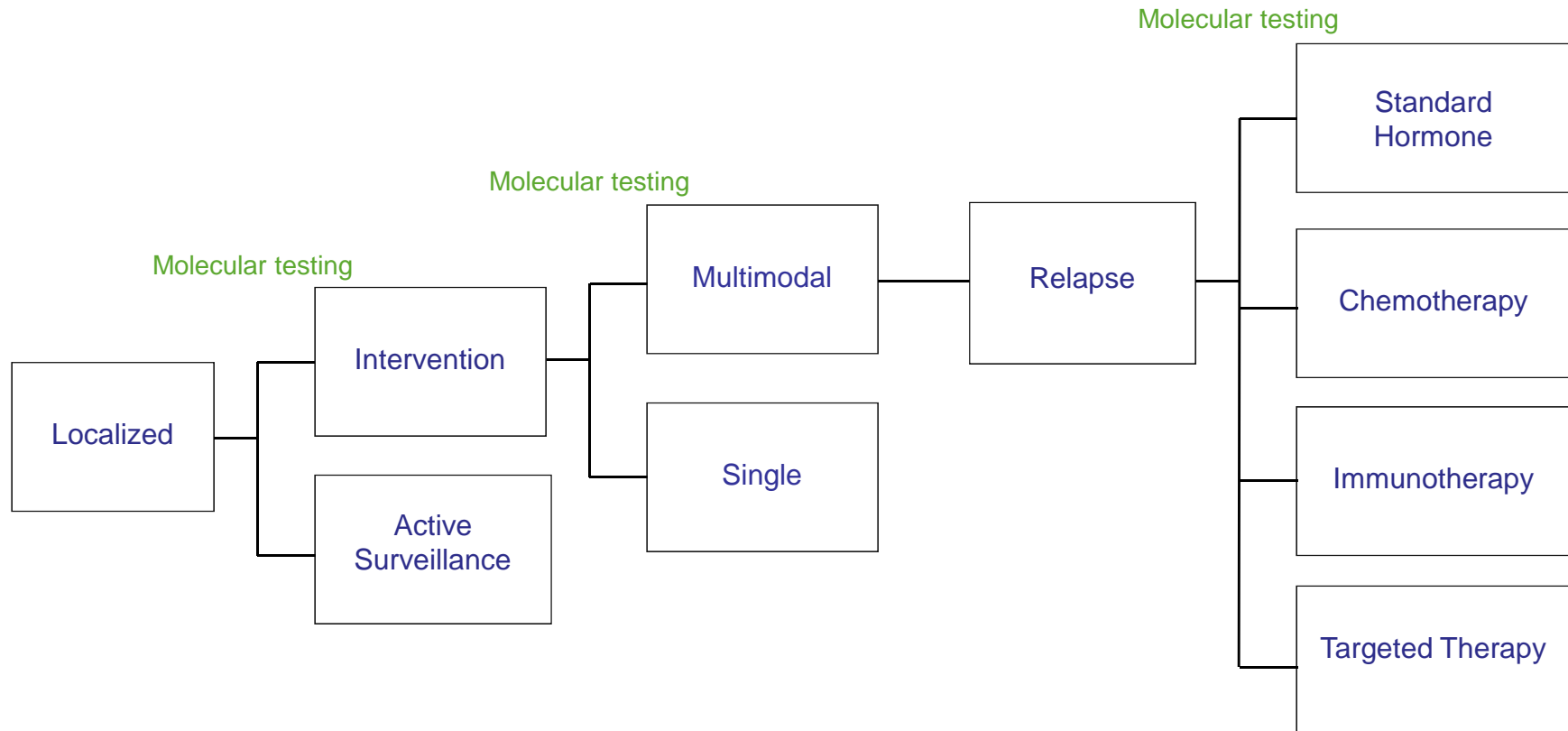
# Prostate Cancer Systemic Therapy

- Androgen receptor inhibition
  - First line castration
    - Surgical
    - LHRH analogs
  - Next generation hormonal therapy
    - Androgen biosynthesis: abiraterone
    - Non-steroidal anti-androgens: bicalutamide, enzalutamide
- Cytotoxic chemotherapy: docetaxel, cabazitaxel
- Radionuclides: radium-223

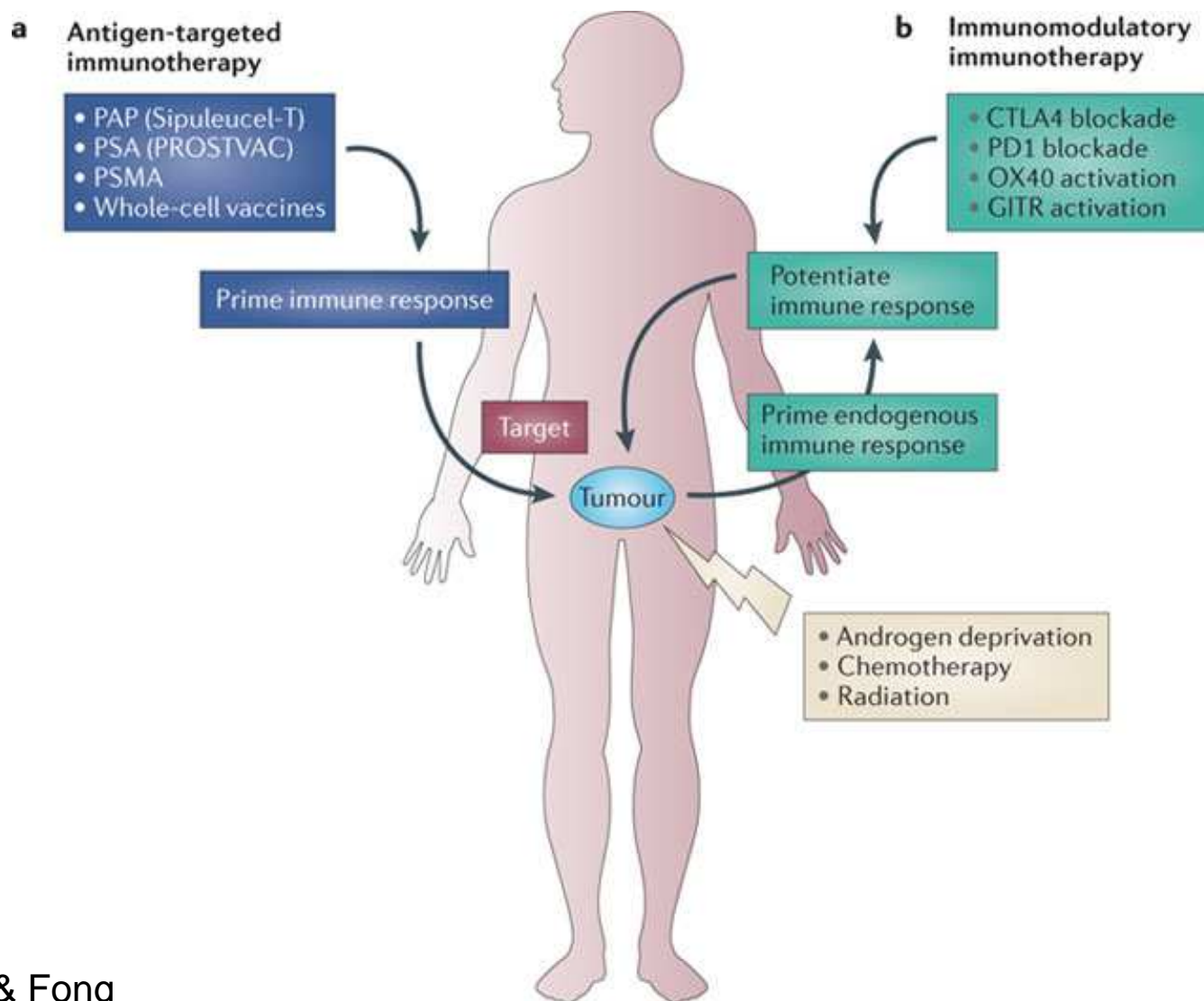
# Clinical States Model (2015)



# Prostate Cancer Therapy: soon to come



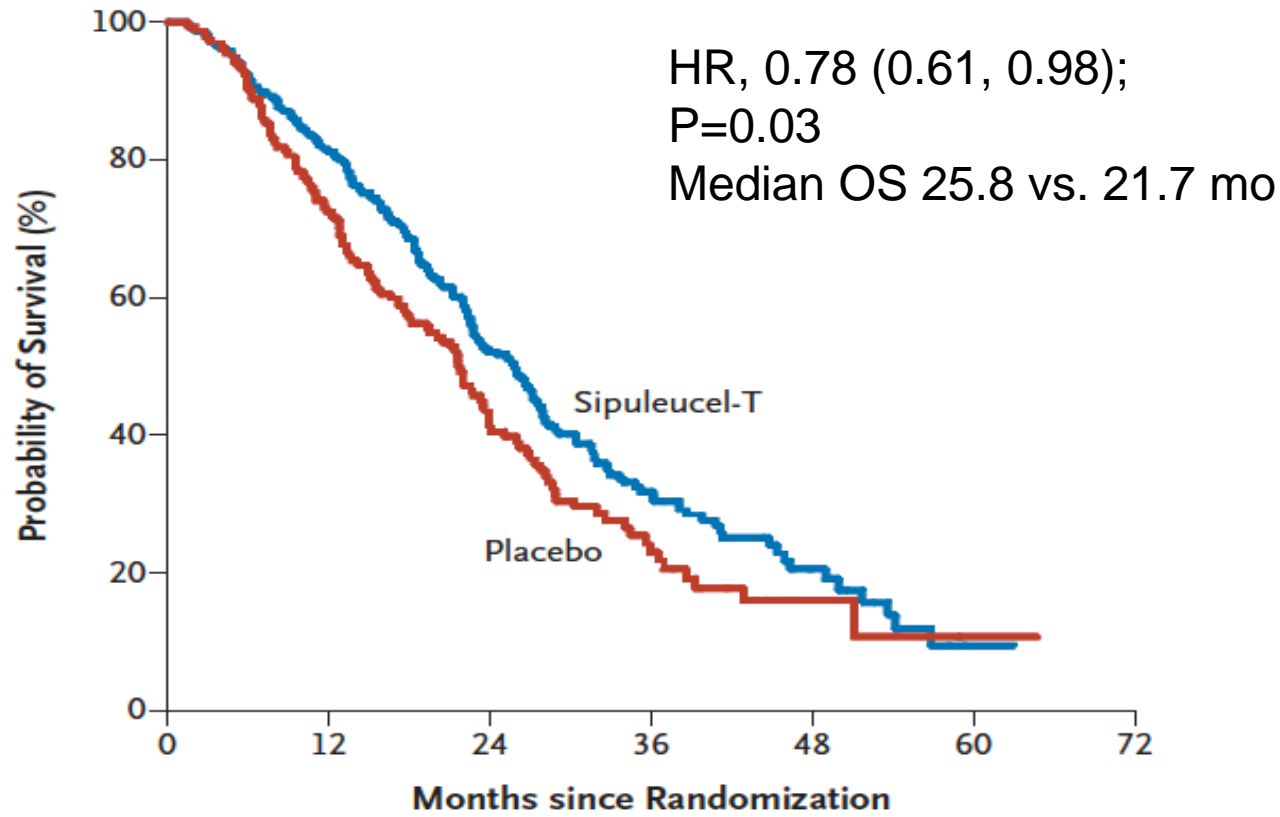
# Prostate Cancer Immunotherapies



Kwek, Cha & Fong  
Nature Reviews Cancer 12:289, 2012

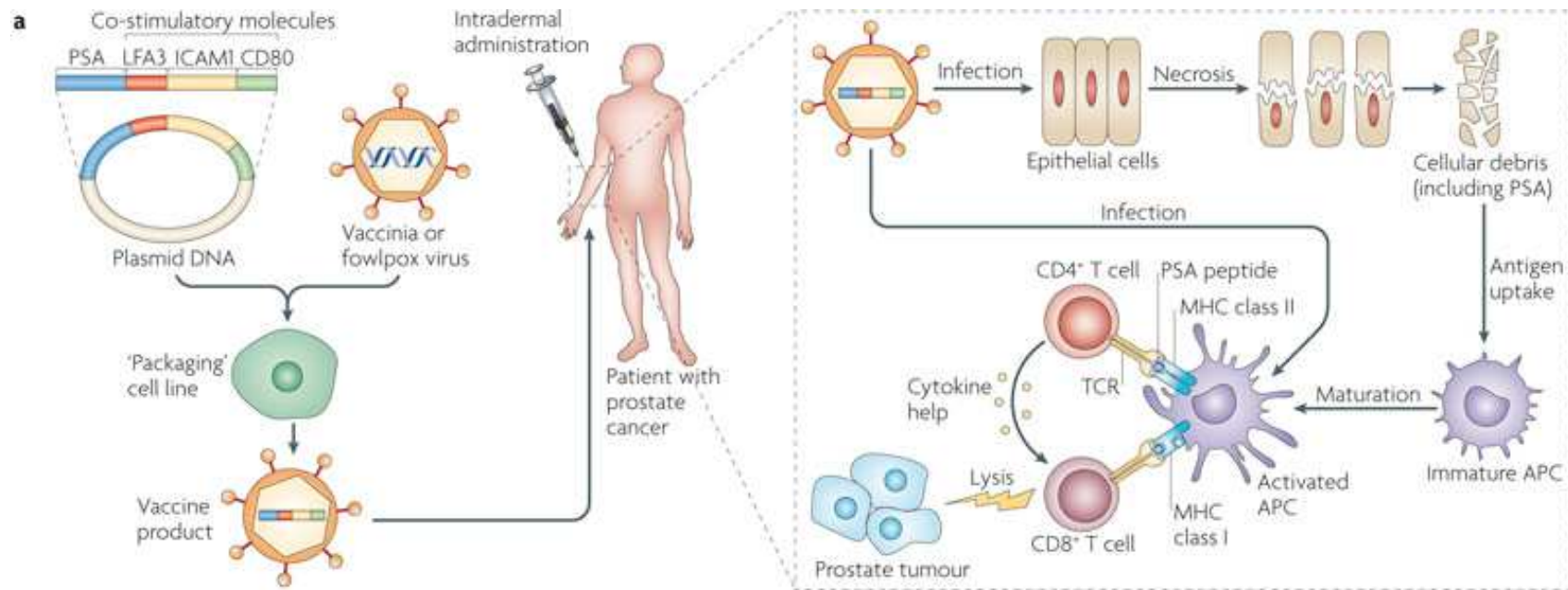
# Sipuleucel-T

- First FDA-approved immunotherapy for prostate cancer.
- PAP-GMCSF and dendritic cells



# Prostate Cancer

## Sipuleucel T VF: virus-based vaccine

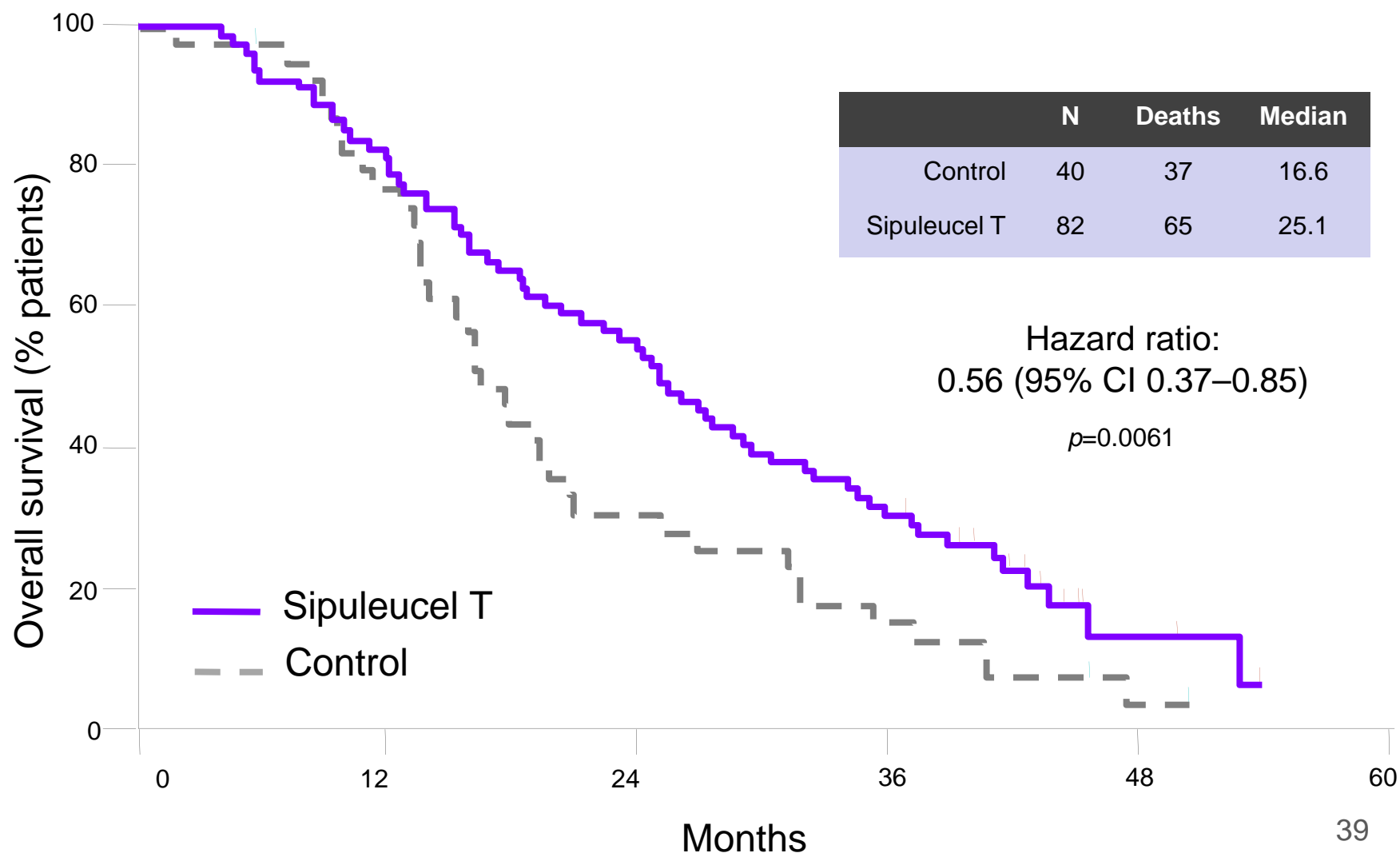


Sipuleucel T had a median overall survival that was 8.5 months longer than the control group (25.1 versus 16.6 months) and a 44% reduction in the risk of death.

Scientific rationale for combination therapy with Sipuleucel T (hormone therapies, immune checkpoints inhibitor)



# Sipuleucel T improves overall survival in mCRPC



# Key Takeaways

- Bladder cancer:
  - BCG immune therapy is a standard treatment
  - Checkpoints inhibitors show great promise that needs to be developed in phase 3 trials
- Kidney cancer:
  - HD IL-2 (though not FDA approved) is an effective and historic treatment
  - Both vaccines and checkpoint inhibitors are developing strategies that show great promise
- Prostate cancer:
  - Dendritic cell therapy is effective
  - Other treatments are in active development