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Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Melanoma

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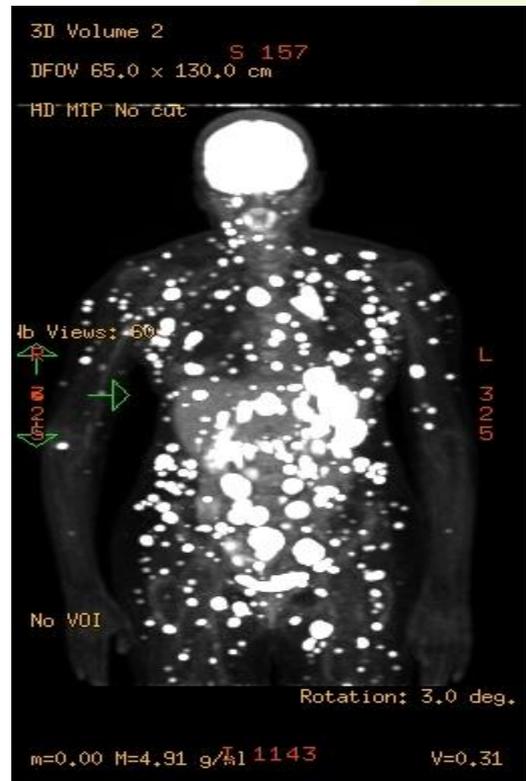
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Disclosures

- Consultant: Amgen, Roche, Nektar
- I will be discussing non-FDA approved indications during my presentation.



Types of Immunotherapies for Melanoma

- Cytokines
 - Interferon- α 2b- Adjuvant therapy
 - Interleukin-2- Stage IV
- Oncolytic Virus
 - Modified Herpes Virus (Talimogene Laharparepvec; TVEC)
- Checkpoint antibodies
 - Anti-CTLA4 (ipilimumab)
 - Anti-PD1 (pembrolizumab, nivolumab)
 - (Avelumab for Merkel cell carcinoma – March 2017)

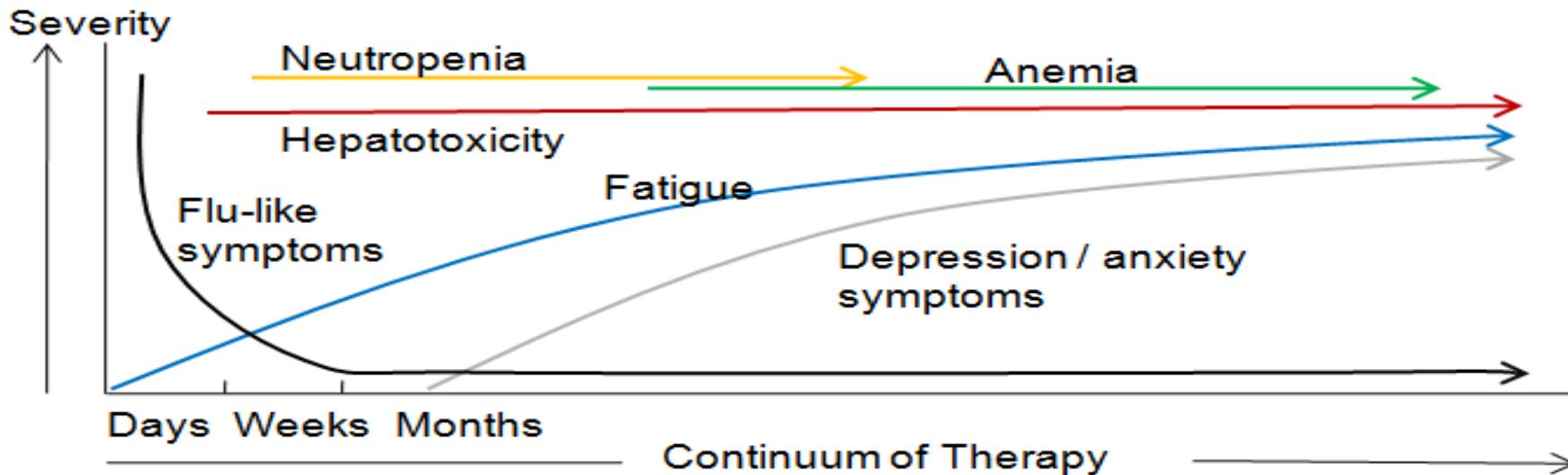


Adjuvant Therapy





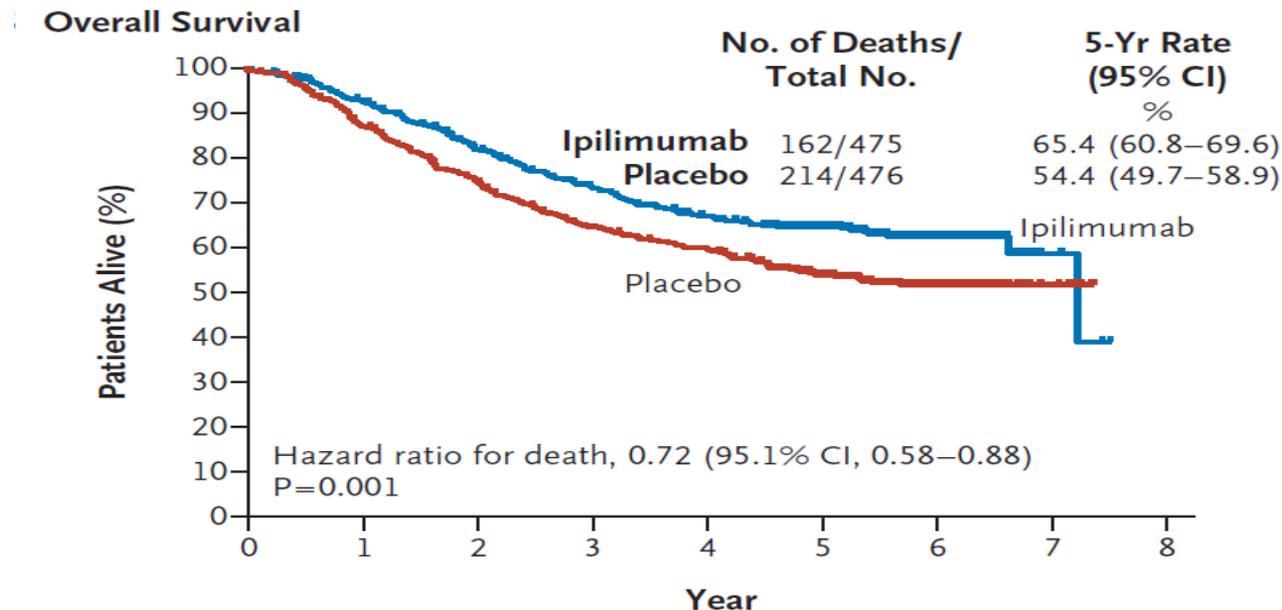
Toxicity of Adjuvant Interferon- α



<http://www.sinobiological.com/Interferon-Side-Effects-a-6085.html>



Adjuvant Ipilimumab in High-Risk Melanoma

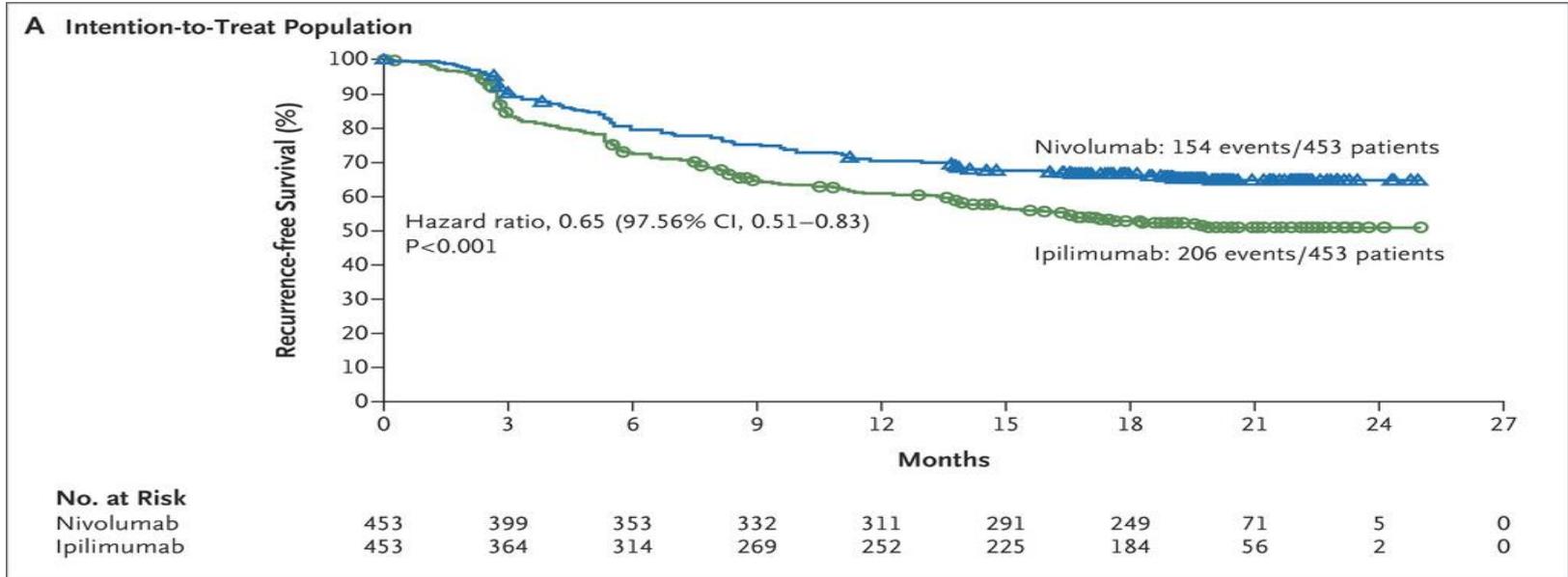


No. at Risk

Ipilimumab	475	431	369	325	290	199	62	4
Placebo	476	413	348	297	273	178	58	8



Adjuvant nivolumab vs ipilimumab in High-Risk Melanoma



Weber *et al.* NEJM 2017

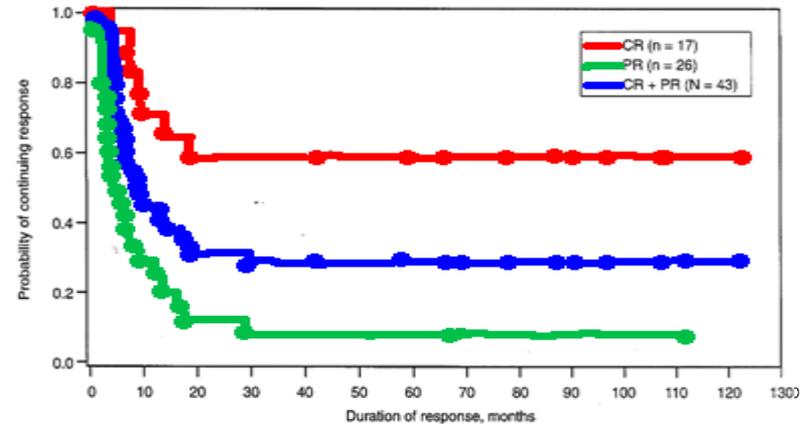


Systemic Therapy/Injectables



High Dose Interleukin-2 Therapy (HD IL-2) : Durable Responses

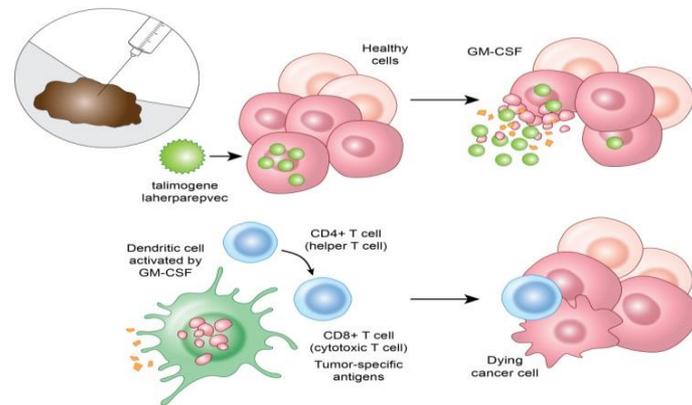
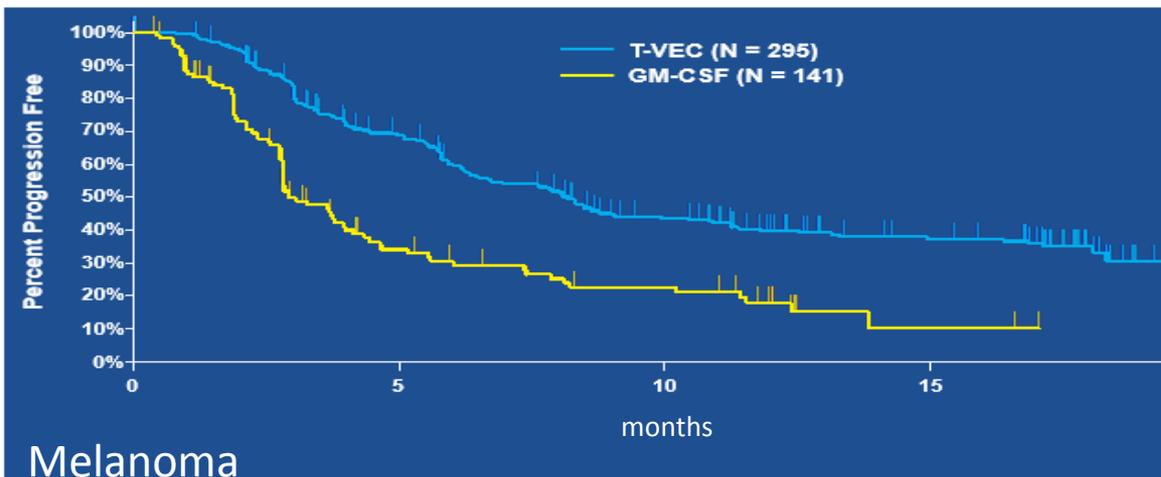
- HD IL-2 produces durable responses in 6%-10% of patients with advanced melanoma
- Few relapses in patients responding for over 2.5 years (cured?)
- FDA approval for melanoma in 1998
- High toxicity



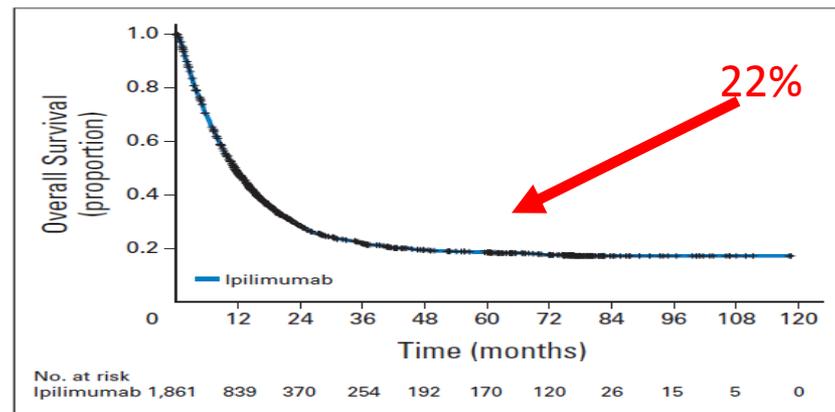
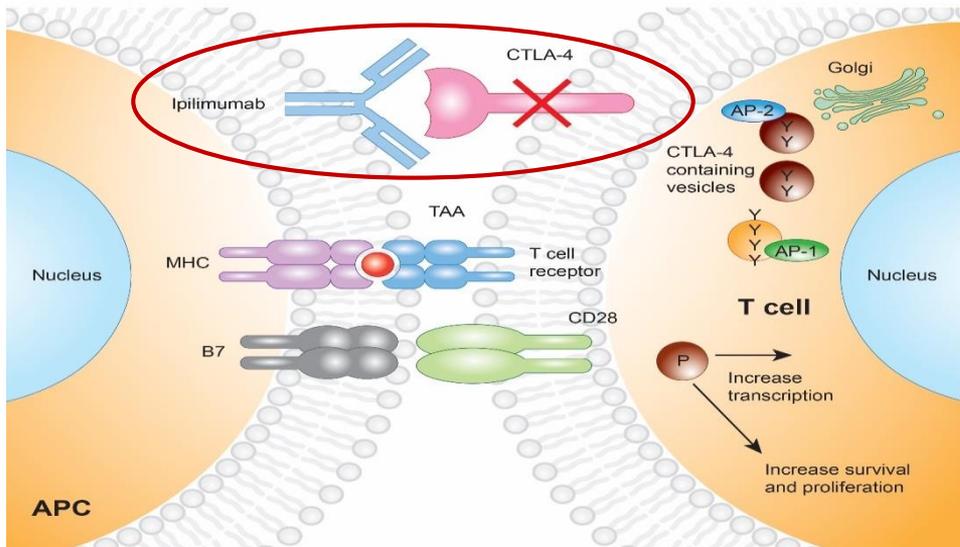
Atkins et al. J Clin Oncol. 1999



Phase III Trial of T-VEC vs GM-CSF PFS per Investigator



Ipilimumab & Immune Check-Point Blockade



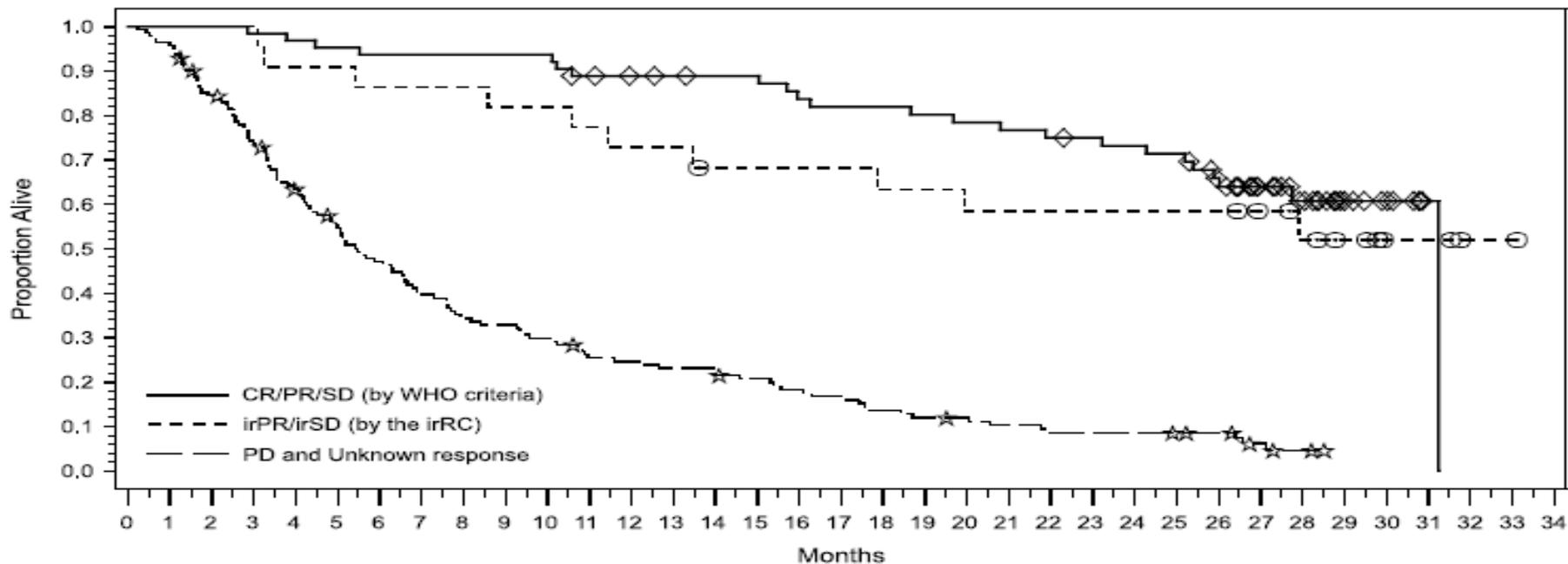
Luke et al, Oncologist 2013

Schadendorf et al, J Clin Oncol 2015

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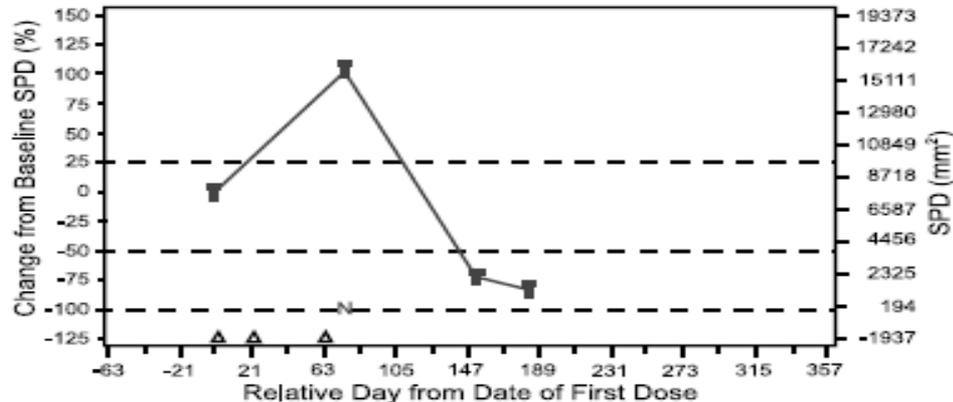
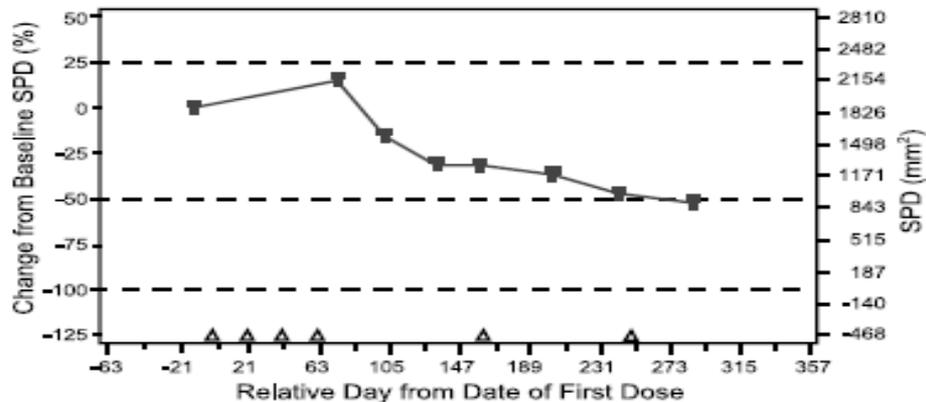
Immune Related Response Criteria



Wolchok et al. Clin Can Res 2009



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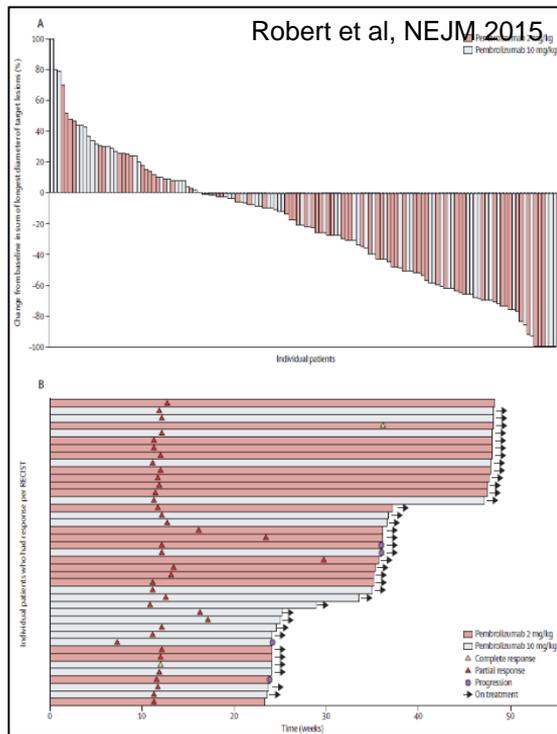


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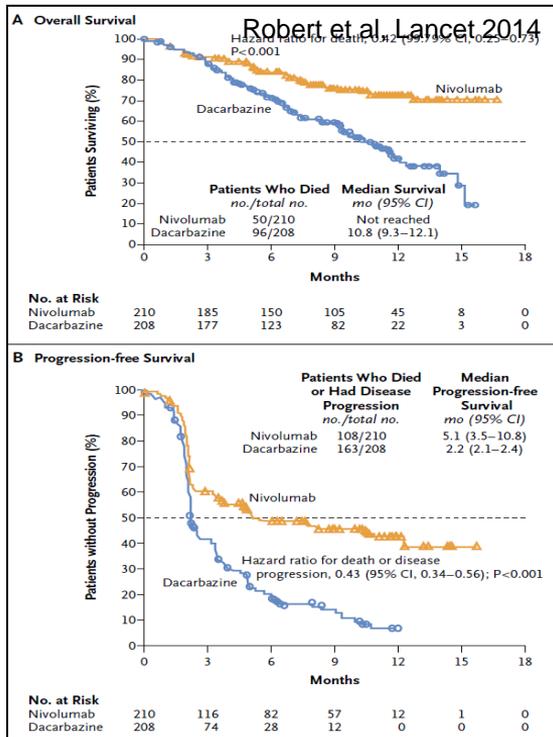


Anti-PD1 in Melanoma

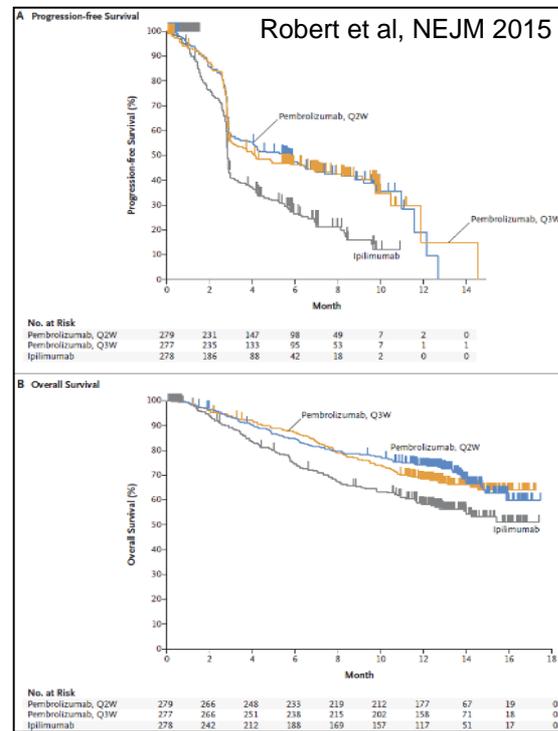
Anti-PD1 (pembrolizumab) *after* ipilimumab



Front-line anti-PD1 (nivolumab) vs. DTIC in Melanoma^(BRAF WT)



Front-line anti-PD1 (pembrolizumab) vs. ipilimumab



Case #1: stage III→stage IV-M1a

TL, male patient in 30s

- Therapeutic lymph node dissection of left inguinal node on 1/2017 revealed 3+ stage III melanoma of unknown primary origin
 - Randomized to pembrolizumab on SWOG-1404 adjuvant trial
 - 6 cycles: no significant irAEs
- Relapse in L neck and R back soft tissue



Case #1: stage IV-M1a Oligometastatic M1a BRAFwt on adjuvant pembrolizumab

- Systemic therapy
 - Nivolumab
 - Pembrolizumab
 - Ipilimumab 3 mg/kg x 4
 - Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab
 - Targeted Rx based on next-generation sequencing
 - High-dose IL-2
- Lesional therapy
 - Talimogene laherparepvec
 - Radiotherapy

Best Therapies → Clinical Trials

- Tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs)
- Neoantigen vaccines
- Oncolytic virotherapy
- New/improved immune checkpoint blockers w/immunomodulators
 - of resistance (indoleamine dioxygenase inhibitors)
 - agonistic costimulatory antibodies (CD137, OX40)
 - hypofractionated or stereotactic radiotherapy
- Molecularly-focused treatment paradigms—all immunomodulatory
 - Metabolic reprogramming
 - Next generation sequencing→molecular drivers and/or modifiers



Case #2: same as #1, but BRAF^{V600}

Additional decision needed: MAPK inhibitor timing and choice

How I treated patient:

- Resected, sent tumor for research studies of tumor microenvironment
- Margins + at muscle—did not send for resection
- Ipilimumab at “adjuvant” dose of 10mg/kg with maintenance



Case #2: metastatic melanoma BRAFm from unknown primary

RN, male patient in 50s

- Presented 8/2015 with pleuropulmonary disease symptoms and large R adrenal BRAF^{V600E} metastasis
- Initial Therapy:
 - Dabrafenib and trametinib
 - Near CR x 18 months
 - Tolerated therapy with minimal side effects—mainly peripheral edema

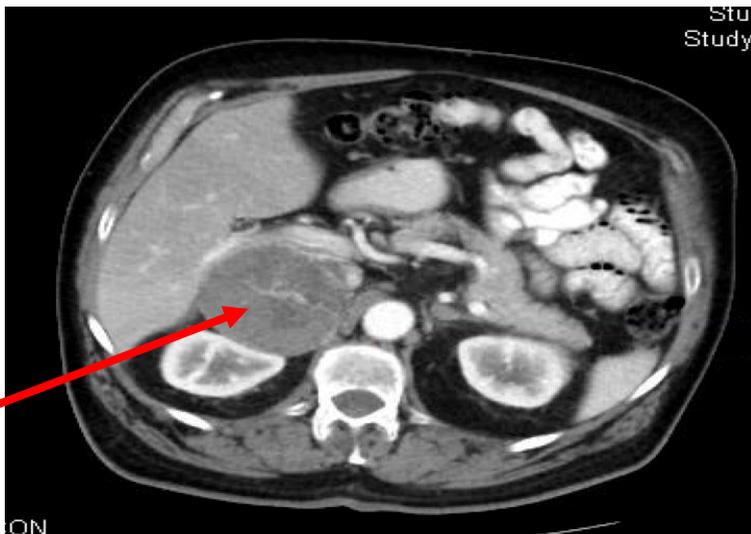
Progression in R adrenal but controlled in lung; new small asymptomatic brain metastasis

- Checkmate 209204
 - Nivolumab plus ipilimumab for metastatic melanoma to brain

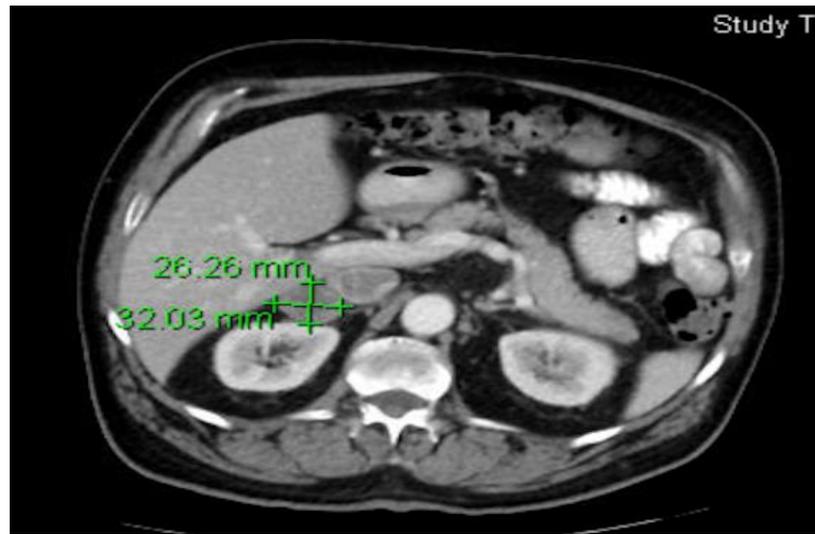




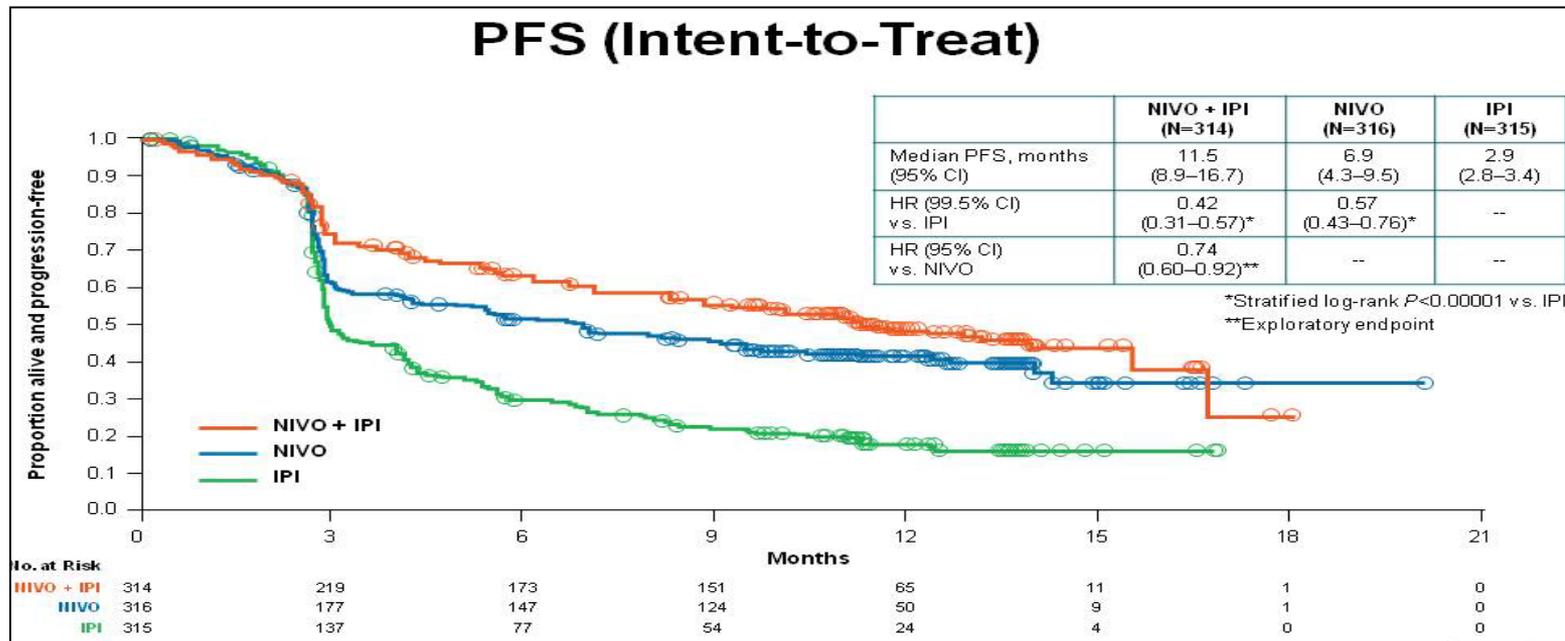
Therapeutic effect—representative images (also had small brain metastasis→ CR)



Adrenal
metastasis



Ipi+Nivo vs. Ipi or Nivo vs. Ipi in Melanoma



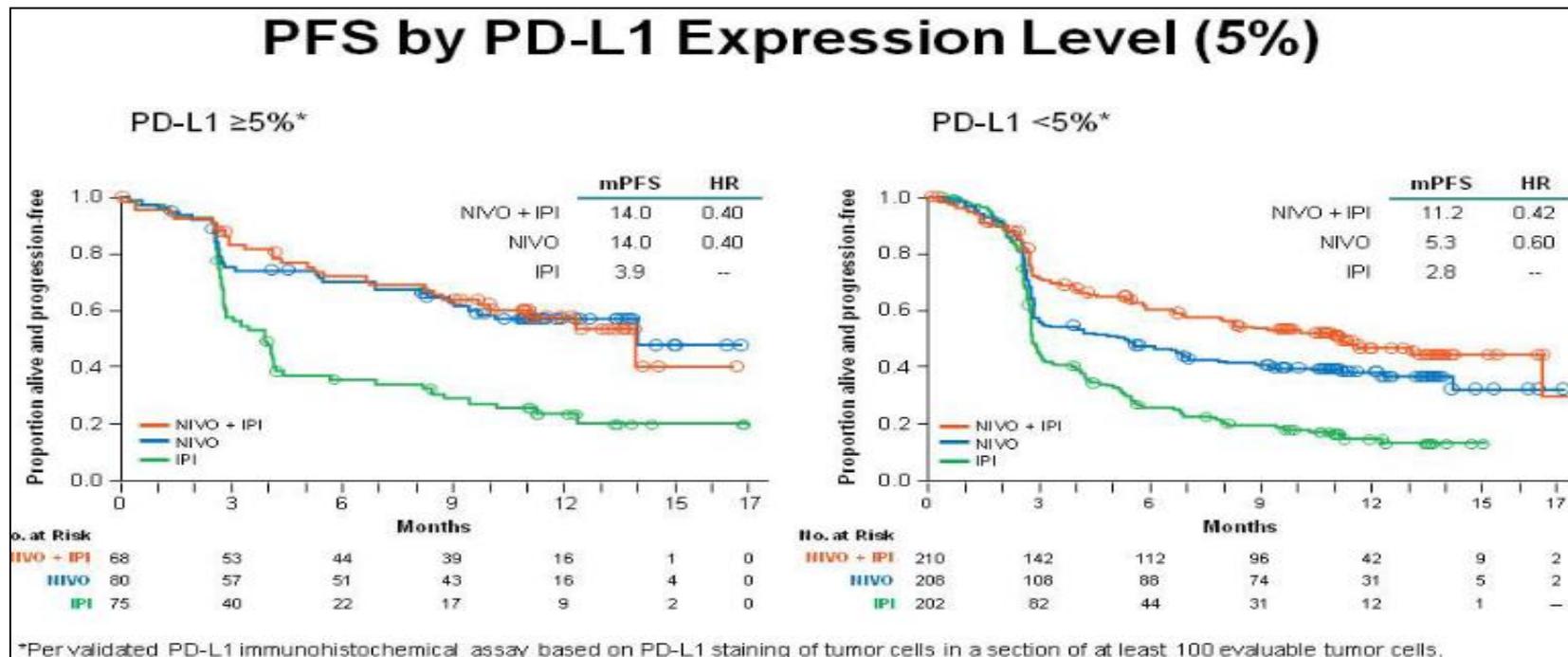
Ipilimumab:



Nivolumab:



Ipi+Nivo vs. Ipi or Nivo vs. Ipi in Melanoma



Ipi+Nivo vs. Ipi or Nivo vs. Ipi in Melanoma

Safety Summary						
Patients Reporting Event, %	NIVO + IPI (N=313)		NIVO (N=313)		IPI (N=311)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3-4	Any Grade	Grade 3-4	Any Grade	Grade 3-4
Treatment-related adverse event (AE)	95.5	55.0	82.1	16.3	86.2	27.3
Treatment-related AE leading to discontinuation	36.4	29.4	7.7	5.1	14.8	13.2
Treatment-related death*	0		0.3		0.3	

*One reported in the NIVO group (neutropenia) and one in the IPI group (cardiac arrest).

- 67.5% of patients (81/120) who discontinued the NIVO + IPI combination due to treatment-related AEs developed a response

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Case #2: Questions raised

1. Was it appropriate to start with MAPKi? Unknown
2. Should he have received combination with immunotherapy Unknown
3. Is it best to switch to immunotherapy early, or at best response to MAPKi? UNKNOWN
4. Why did he have such a sustained response to MAPKi? Immunomodulation?
5. Is nivolumab plus ipilimumab the optimal immunotherapy in June 2017? PROBABLY
6. Should PD-L1 expression have been checked? Maybe...but many issues remain
7. How long to continue Rx? UNKNOWN/1 yr?

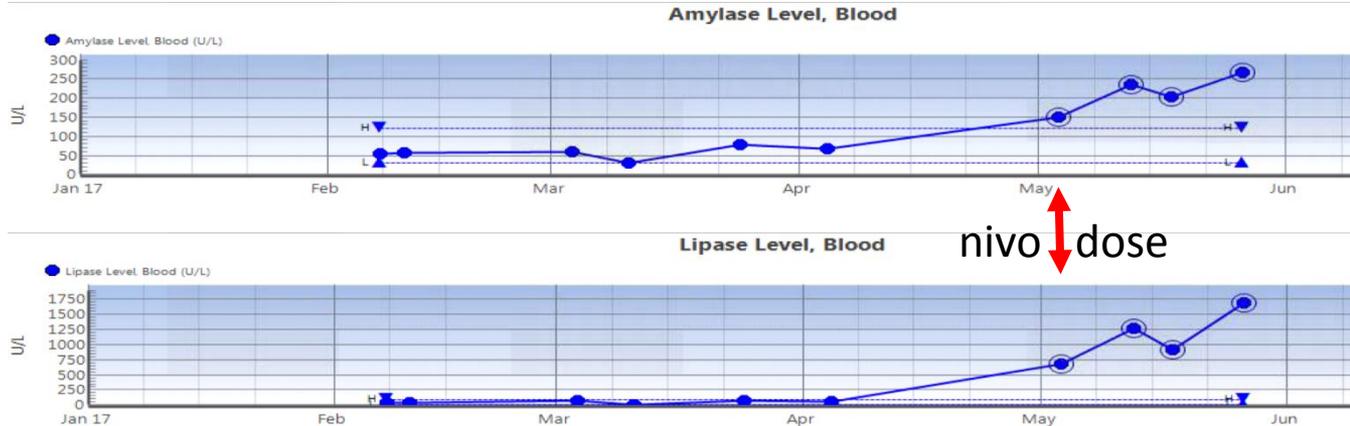


Toxicity management issues

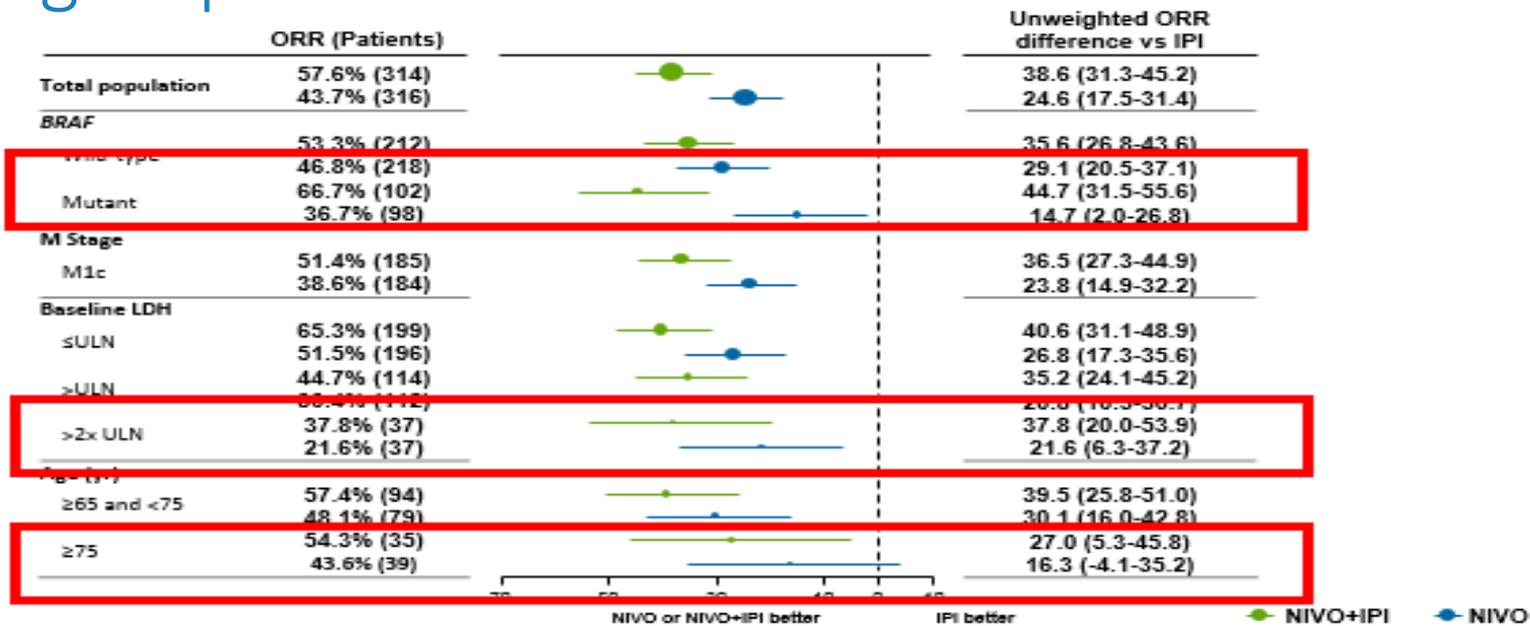
Diarrhea from ipilimumab/nivolumab combination responded to steroid;
 Ipilimumab dropped after 2 cycles, in part because pt was traveling to Poland (QoL)

Nivolumab dosed at 1 mg/kg in cycles 3 and 4—should it have been increased?

Pt developed chemical pancreatitis, initially without Sx, now with mild abdominal pain—enzymes rising despite skipping last dose nivolumab→steroid?
 [US not diagnostic, CT is negative, pt continues to work, eat, perform ADLs normally]



Ipi-Nivo vs Nivo Overall Response Rate in Patient Subgroups



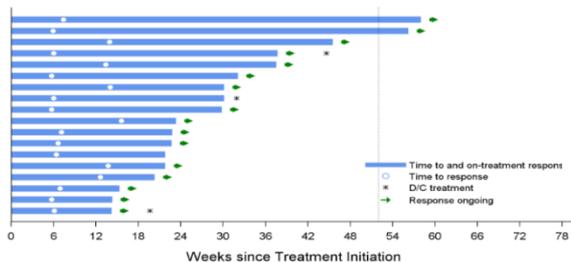
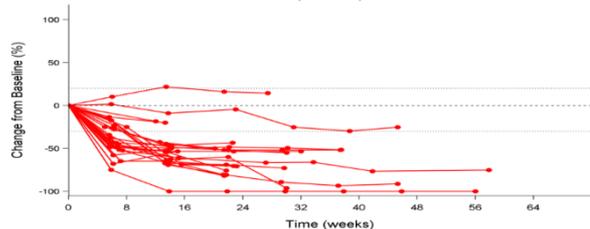
On-Going Phase III Trials in Melanoma

- BRAFi + MEKi + anti PD-(L)1
- MEKi + anti PD-(L)1
- Indolamine Dioxygenase inhibitors (IDOi)
+ anti PD-(L)1
- Talimogene laharparepvec (TVEC) + anti
PD(L)1

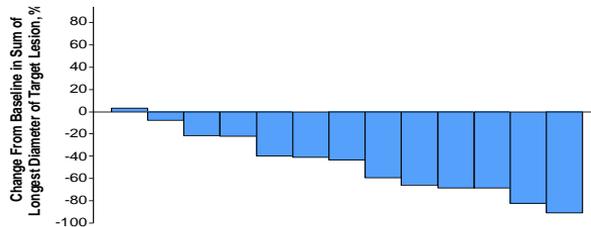
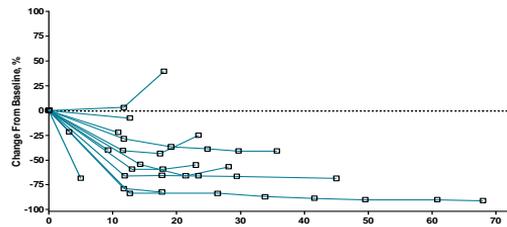


Target-Immuno Triplets: BRAF + MEK + PD1/L1

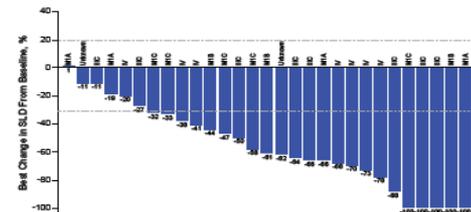
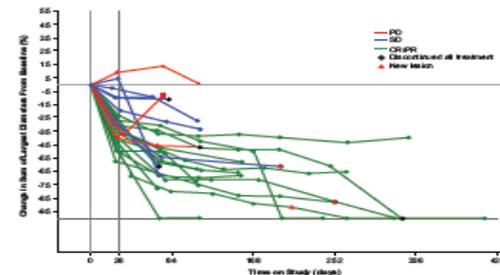
Dabrafenib+Trametinib+
 Nivolumab
 Tumor Size Change from Baseline
 (Cohort A)



Dabrafenib+Trametinib+
 Pembrolizumab



Vemurafenib+Cobimetinib+
 Atezolizumab



Target-Immuno Triplets: BRAF + MEK + PD1/L1

Dabrafenib+Trametinib+

Nirvalumab

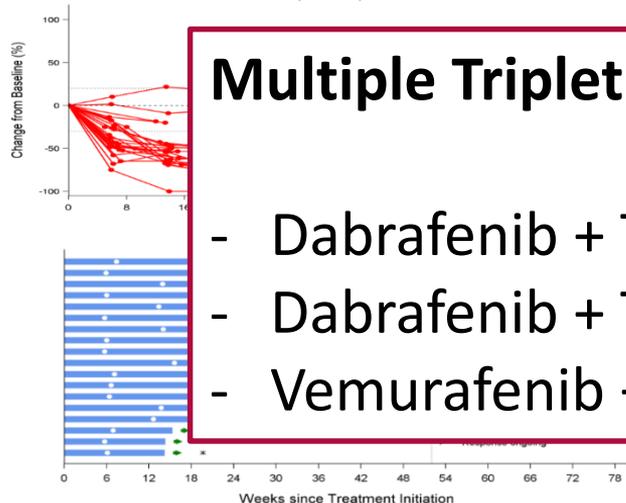
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Pembrolizumab

Vemurafenib+Cobimetinib+

Atezolizumab



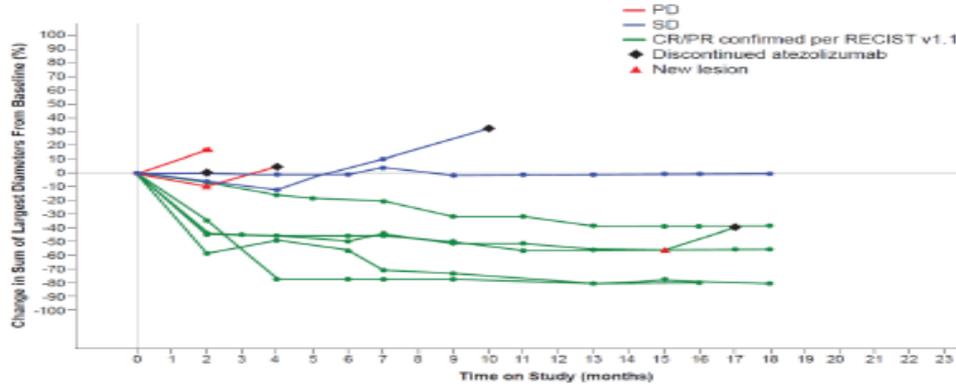
Multiple Triplet Combinations Launching Into Phase III:

- Dabrafenib + Trametinib + Pembrolizumab
- Dabrafenib + Trametinib + PDR-001
- Vemurafenib + Cobimetinib + Atezolizumab



MEK inhibitor + PDL-1 for BRAFwt Melanoma Phase I Cobimetinib + Atezolizumab

BRAF WT (n = 10)



	N = 22, n (%)
Median safety follow-up, mo (range)	14.0 mo (2.4-20.2)
All grade treatment-related AEs	22 (100%)
Grade 3-4 treatment-related AEs	13 (59%)
Grade 3-4 atezolizumab-related AEs	8 (36%)
Grade 3-4 cobimetinib-related AEs	10 (45%)
AEs leading to treatment dose modification/interruption	14 (64%)
Treatment-related SAEs ^a	4 (18%)
Treatment discontinuation ^b	3 (14%)
Cobimetinib discontinuation	3 (14%)
All treatment discontinuation	1 (5%)

**Phase III Study of Cobimetinib +
Atezolizumab versus Pembrolizumab in
Patients with Untreated BRAFV600 Wild-
Type Melanoma**

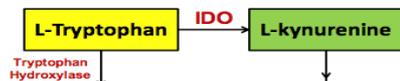
PROTOCOL NUMBER: CO39722



IDO inhibitor epacadostat + pembrolizumab

Indoleamine Dioxygenase-1 (IDO1)

- IDO1 is a heme-containing monomeric oxidoreductase that metabolizes tryptophan to kynurenine

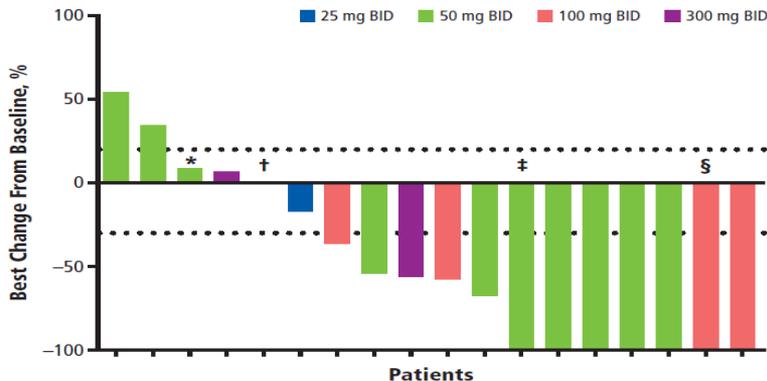


A Phase 3 Study of Pembrolizumab + Epacadostat or Placebo in Subjects With Unresectable or Metastatic Melanoma (Keynote-252 / ECHO-301)
 ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02752074

RECIST response = 58%, no increase in toxicity from pembrolizumab alone

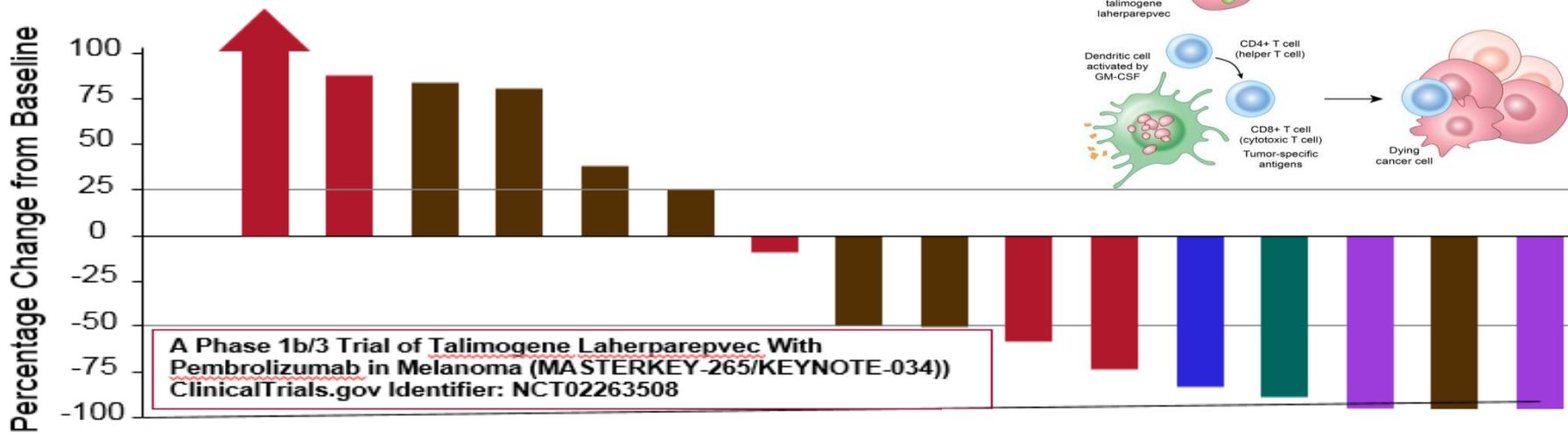
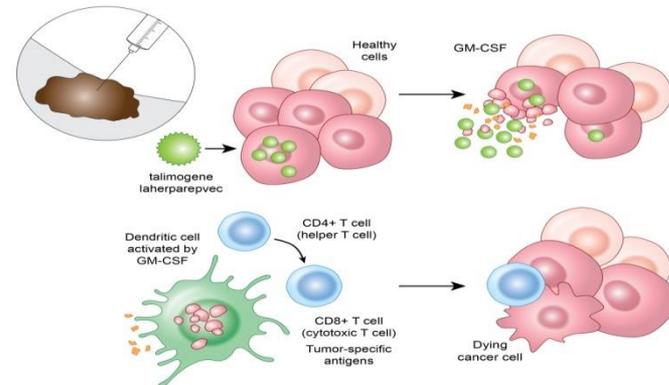
Beatty et al. ASCO (2012) Abstract 2500[^]
 Gangadhar et al. ESMO 2016

Phase 1/2 Study of Epacadostat (INCB024360) + Pembrolizumab in Patients With Melanoma



T-Vec + Pembrolizumab in Stage IIIB-IV Melanoma

- Stage IIIb (N=1)
- Stage IIIc (N=5)
- Stage IV M1a (N=1)
- Stage IV M1b (N=2)
- Stage IV M1c (N=7)



RECIST response = 46%, no increase in toxicity from pembrolizumab alone

Future Combinations



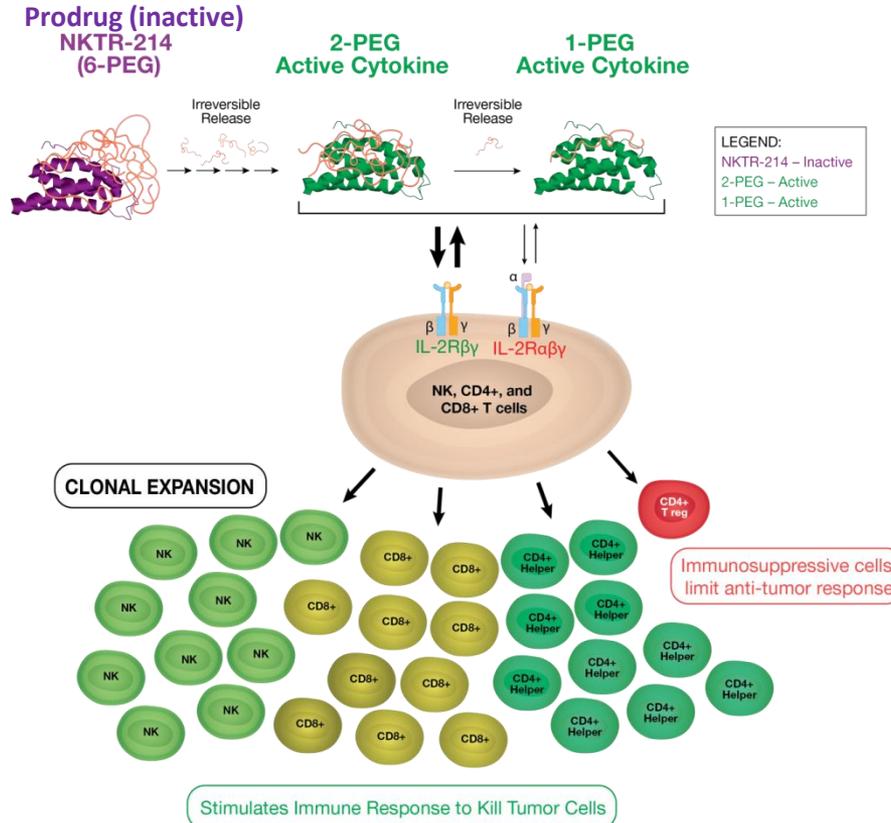
Pivot-02: Preliminary safety, efficacy and biomarker results from dose escalation of the Phase 1/2 study of CD-122-biased agonist NKTR-214 plus nivolumab in patients with locally advanced/metastatic melanoma, renal cell carcinoma and non-small cell lung cancer

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02983045

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NKTR-214 Background: Harnessing the IL-2 Pathway to Increase TILs

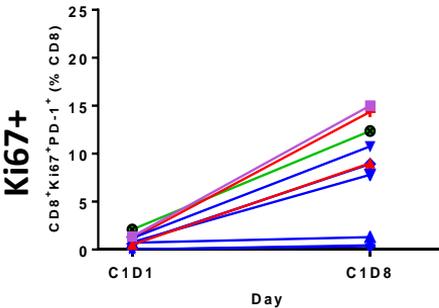


- NKTR-214 prodrug design with sustained signaling
- Q2W or Q3W Dosing
- Mitigation of rapid immune stimulation to achieve safe, outpatient regimen
- Biased signaling preferentially activates and expands effector T cells and NK cells over Tregs in the tumor microenvironment
- Increases proliferation of TILs and PD-1 expression on effector T cells in the tumor microenvironment

Clinical and Preclinical Rationale for Combination of NKTR-214 + Anti-PD-1

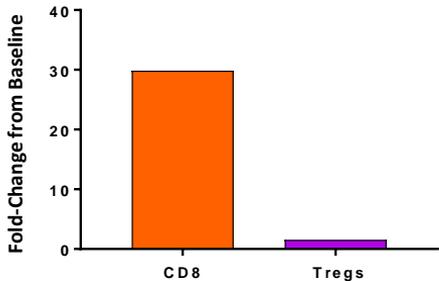
NKTR-214 Monotherapy Clinical Trial²

PD-1 Expression on CD8 T Cells in **Blood**



N=10 patients

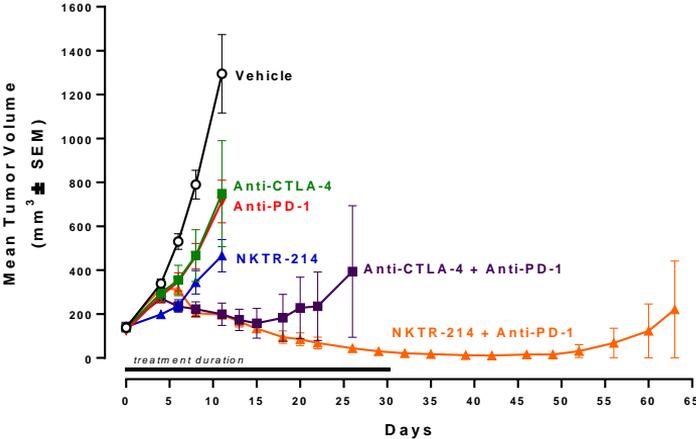
CD8 / Treg Ratio in **Tumor**



Fold change expressed as Week 3 / pre-dose
Shown are results from N=10 patients
Q3W dose schedules

NKTR-214 + Anti-PD-1 Preclinical Data¹

CT26 Mouse Colon Tumor Model



NKTR-214 dosed 0.8 mg/kg q9dx3, anti-PD-1 or anti-CTLA-4 dosed 200ug or 100ug 2x/week respectively.

- **Blood:** Increase in newly proliferating (Ki67+) PD-1+ CD8 T cells
- **Tumor:** Increase in total T cells, NK and CD8+ T cells with no increase in Tregs, increase in newly proliferating (Ki67+) PD-1+ CD8 T cells

PIVOT-02 Dose Escalation

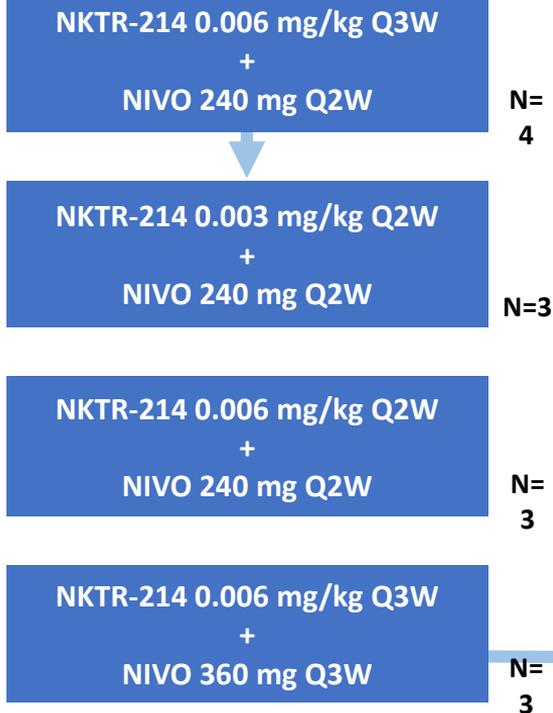
Phase 1b (N=38)

Patients

IO Treatment-Naïve

- MEL 1L (with known BRAF status) (N=11)
- RCC 1L, 2L (N=22)
- NSCLC 1L, 2L (EGFR & ALK WT) (N=5)

- Confirmed locally advanced or metastatic solid tumors
- Measurable disease per RECIST 1.1
- ECOG 0 or 1
- Adequate organ function
- Fresh biopsy and archival tissue



RP2D

NKTR-214 0.006 mg/kg Q3W
+ NIVO 360 mg Q3W

N=22

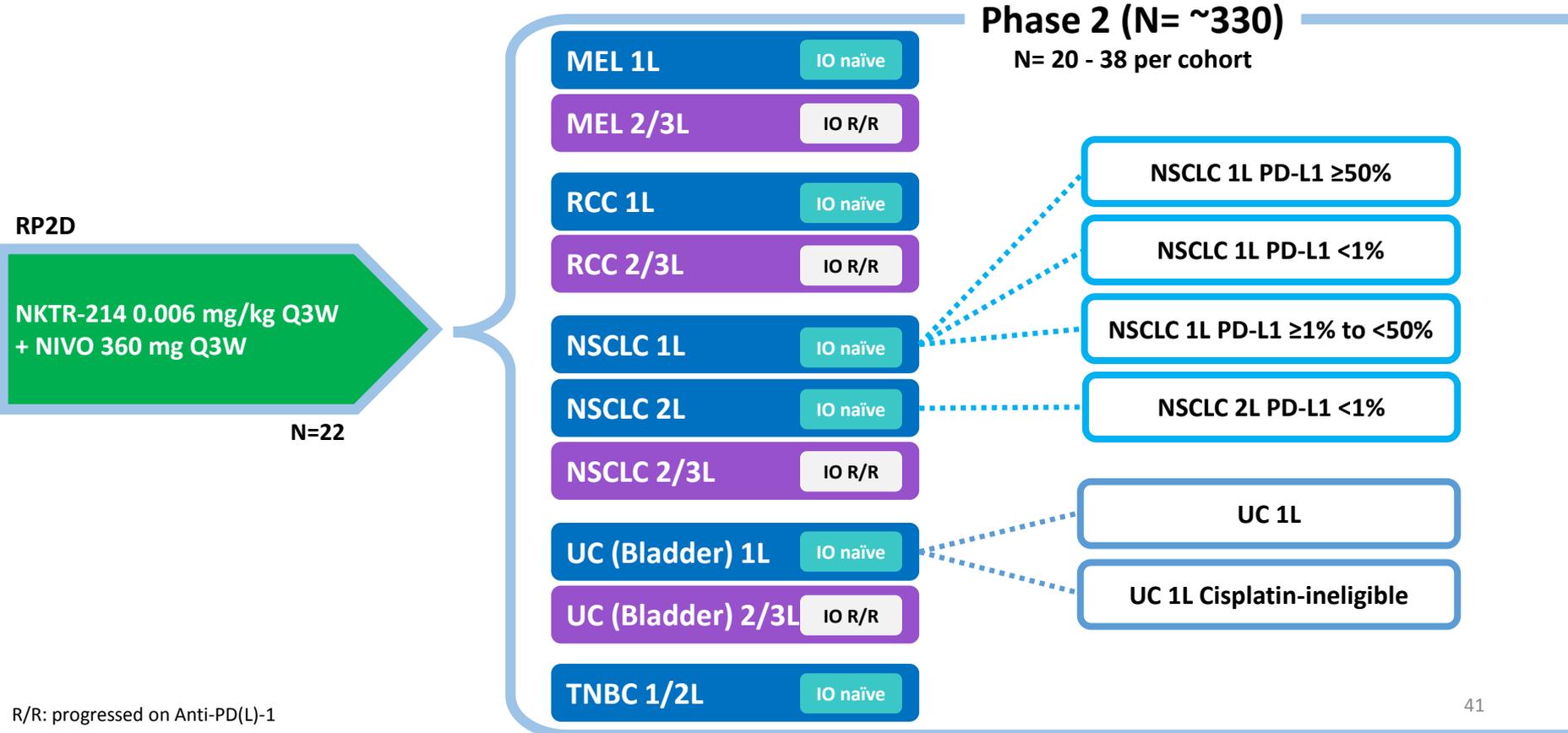
MAD

NKTR-214 0.009 mg/kg Q3W
+ NIVO 360 mg Q3W

N=3

Dose Limiting Toxicities (N=2)

PIVOT-02 Dose Expansion Underway in 13 Cohorts



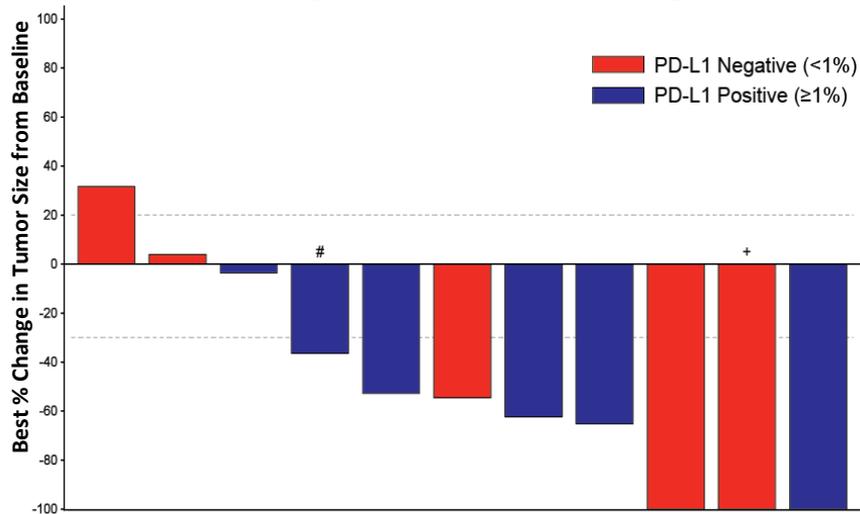
R/R: progressed on Anti-PD(L)-1

Stage IV Treatment-Naïve Melanoma Patients (N=11)

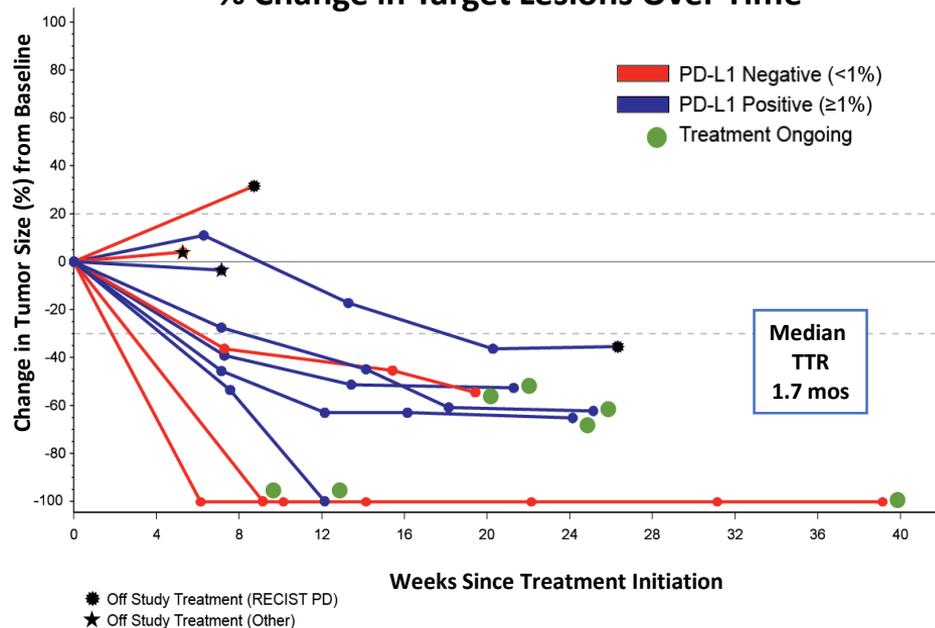
Best Overall Response by RECIST*: ORR=7/11 (64%); DCR=10/11 (91%)

Best Overall Response by irRECIST: ORR=8/11 (73%); DCR=10/11 (91%)

% Change From Baseline in Target Lesions



% Change in Target Lesions Over Time

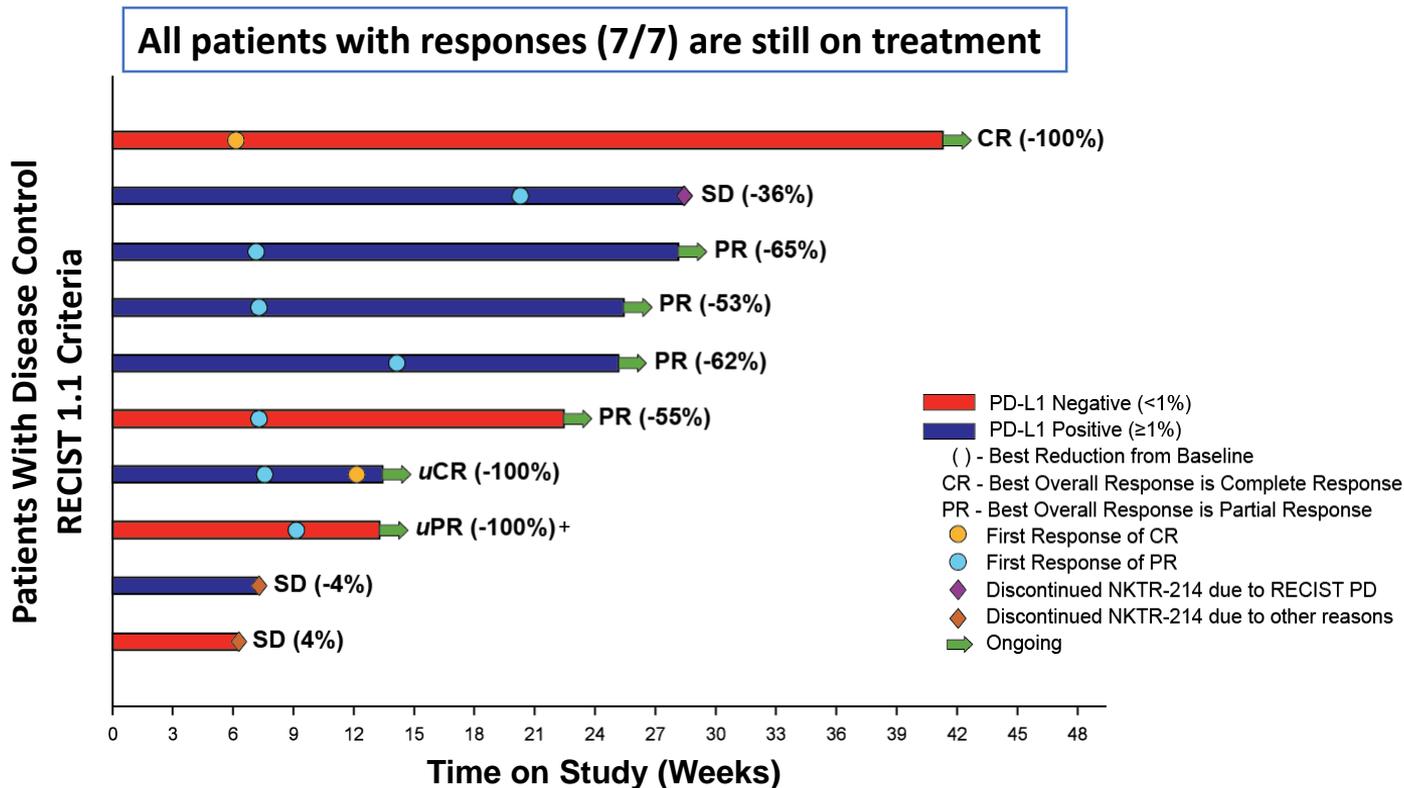


Horizontal dotted lines indicate the thresholds for PD and response according to RECIST (version 1.1) criteria. # Best Overall Response is SD (PR for target lesions, PD per new lesion on confirmatory scan) + Best Overall response is PR (CR for target lesions, non-target lesions still present)

*One patient in ORR calculation has unconfirmed PR.

Time to and Duration of Response

Stage IV Treatment-Naïve Melanoma

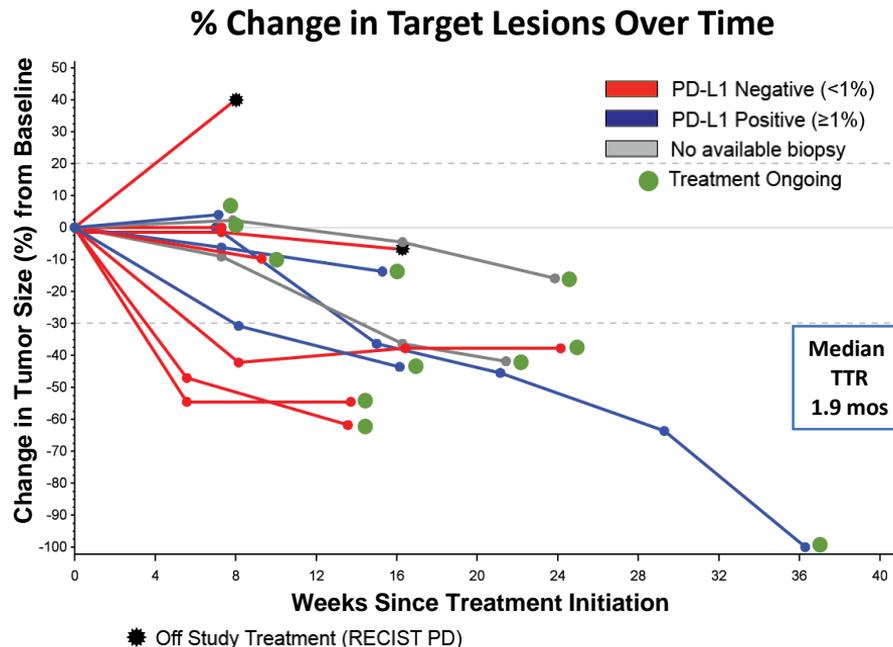
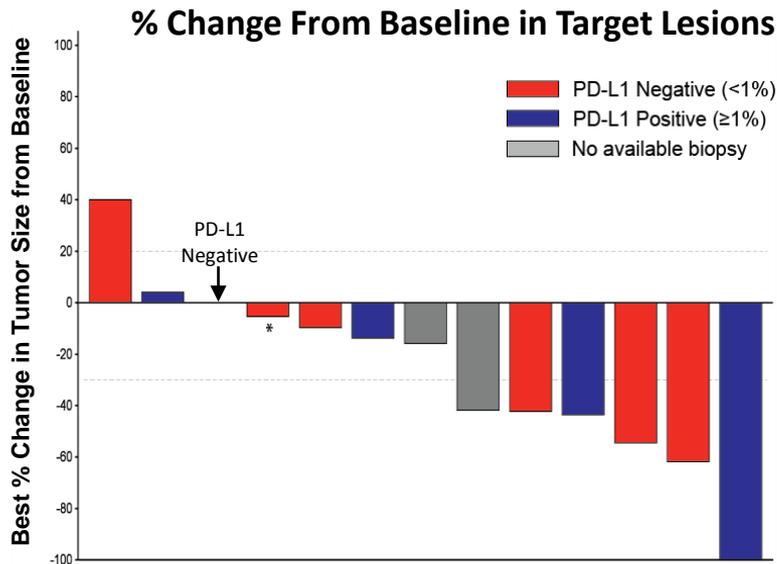


+ Best Overall response is PR (CR for target lesions, non-target lesions still present)

Stage IV Treatment-Naïve 1L Renal Cell Carcinoma (N=13)

Efficacy-evaluable patients with ≥ 1 or ≥ 2 post baseline scans

Best ORR by RECIST ≥ 1 post baseline scan: ORR=6/13 (46%); DCR=11/13 (85%)



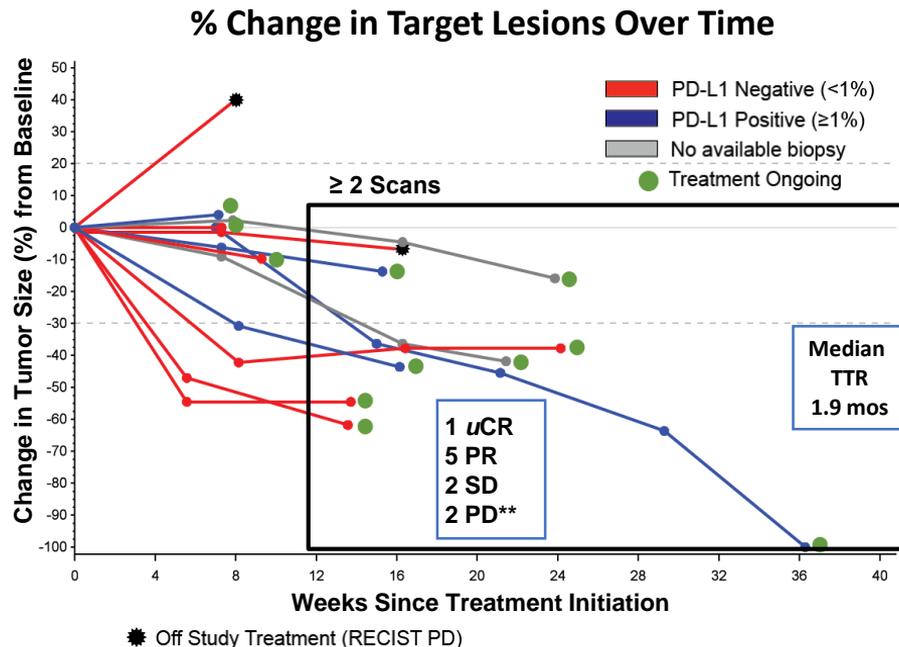
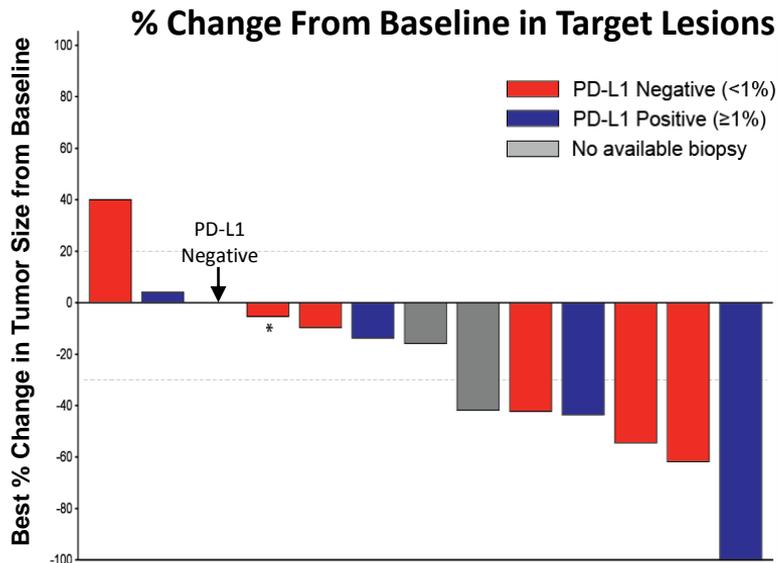
Horizontal dotted lines indicate the thresholds for PD and response according to RECIST (version 1.1) criteria. * Best overall response is PD (SD for target lesions, PD per non-target lesions).

Stage IV Treatment-Naïve 1L Renal Cell Carcinoma (N=13)

Efficacy-evaluable patients with ≥ 1 or ≥ 2 post baseline scans

Best ORR by RECIST ≥ 1 post baseline scan: ORR=6/13 (46%); DCR=11/13 (85%)

Best ORR by RECIST ≥ 2 post baseline scans: ORR=6/10 (60%); DCR=8/10 (80%)

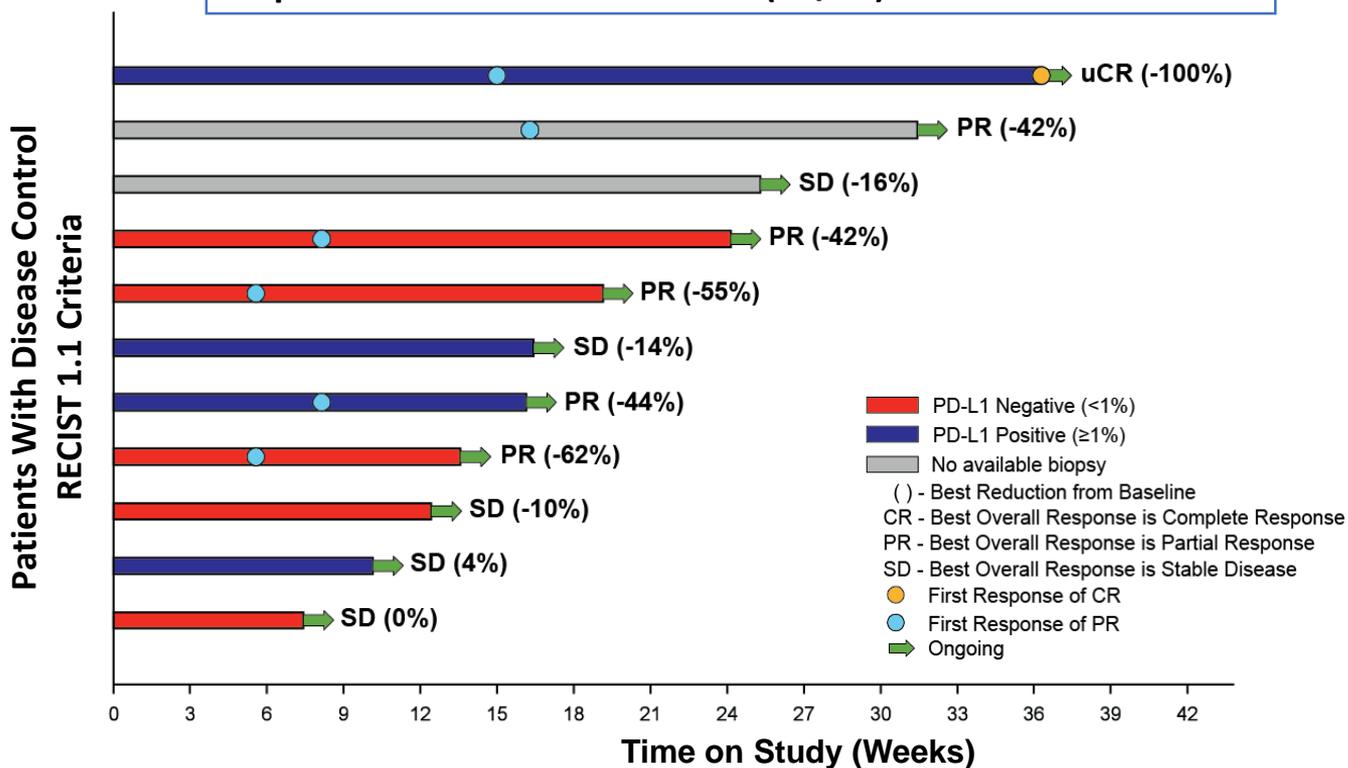


Horizontal dotted lines indicate the thresholds for PD and response according to RECIST (version 1.1) criteria. * Best overall response is PD (SD for target lesions, PD per non-target lesions). **Includes PD with 1 post base-line scan

Time to and Duration of Response

Stage IV Treatment-Naïve Renal Cell Carcinoma 1L (CR, PR or SD)

All patients with disease control (11/13) are still on treatment



Stage IV IO-Naïve PD-L1 Negative NSCLC (1L and 2L)

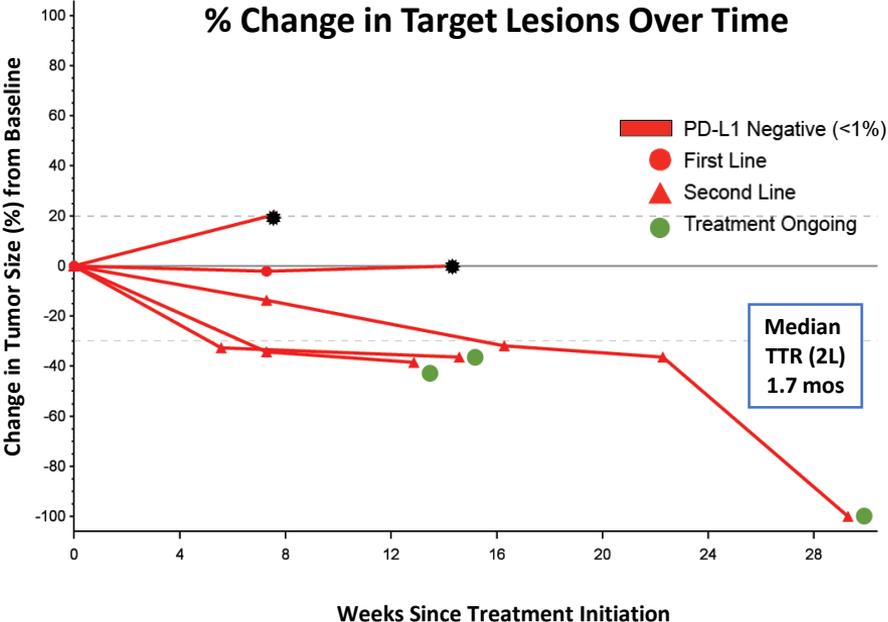
Best Overall Response by RECIST (2L): ORR=3/4 (75%); DCR=3/4 (75%)
 Best Overall Response by RECIST (1L and 2L): ORR=3/5 (60%); DCR=3/5 (60%)

% Change From Baseline in Target Lesions



Horizontal dotted lines indicate the thresholds for PD and response according to RECIST (version 1.1) criteria.

% Change in Target Lesions Over Time



● Off Study Treatment (RECIST PD)

Median TTR (2L) 1.7 mos

Best Overall Response by RECIST 1.1 as of November 2, 2017

Patients	Stage IV Treatment-Naïve Melanoma (N=11)	Stage IV Treatment-Naïve 1L RCC (N=14)		2L RCC (N=8)	1L NSCLC (N=1)	2L NSCLC (N=4)
		Patients with at least one or more scans	Patients with at least two or more scans or PD**			
Total Evaluable	11	13	10	7	1	4
ORR (CR+PR)	7 (64%)⁺	6 (46%)	6 (60%)	1 (14%)	0 (0)	3 (75%)
CR	2 (18%)	1 (8%) [#]	1 (10%) [#]	0	0	1 (25%) [#]
PR	5 (45%)	5 (38%)	5 (50%)	1 (14%)	0	2 (50%)
SD	3 (27%)	5 (38%)	2 (20%)	6 (86%)	1 (100%)	0
DCR (CR+PR+SD)	10 (91%)	11 (85%)	8 (80%)	7 (100%)	1 (100%)	3 (75%)
PD	1	2	2	0	0	1

CR, complete response; DCR, disease control rate; ORR, objective response rate; PR, partial response; PD, progressive disease; SD, stable disease

⁺ CR is waiting to be confirmed for 1 of 2 patients with CR; one patient in calculation has uPR.

[#] PR for patient confirmed. CR is waiting to be confirmed.

^{**} Patients with at least 2 post-baseline scans or progressed on 1st post-baseline scan.

Treatment-Related AEs

Preferred Term ^[1]	Total (N=38)	NKTR-214 0.006 q3w + Nivo 360 (N=25)	NKTR-214 0.006 q3w + Nivo 240 (N=4)	NKTR -214 0.006 q2w + Nivo 240 (N=3)	NKTR-214 0.003 q2w + Nivo 240 (N=3)	NKTR-214 0.009 q3w + Nivo 360 (N=3)
Grade 3 or 4	4 (10.5%)	1 (4.0%)	1 (25.0%)	0	0	2 (66.7%)
Acidosis	1 (2.6%)	0	0	0	0	1 (33.3%) [∅]
Arthralgia	1 (2.6%)	0	1 (25.0%)	0	0	0
Diarrhea	1 (2.6%)	0	0	0	0	1 (33.3%) [∅]
Hyperglycemia	1 (2.6%)	0	0	0	0	1 (33.3%) [∅]
Hyperthyroidism	1 (2.6%)	0	0	0	0	1 (33.3%) [∅]
Hyponatraemia	1 (2.6%)	1 (4.0%)	0	0	0	0
Hypotension	1 (2.6%)	0	0	0	0	1 (33.3%)
Syncope	1 (2.6%)	1 (4.0%)	0	0	0	0
Grade 1&2 (>25%)						
Fatigue	28 (73.7%)	17 (68.0%)	4 (100.0%)	2 (66.7%)	3 (100.0%)	2 (66.7%)
Flu Like Symptoms**	26 (68.4%)	15 (60.0%)	3 (75.0%)	3 (100.0%)	2 (66.7%)	3 (100.0%)
Rash*	23 (60.5%)	13 (52.0%)	4 (100.0%)	1 (33.3%)	2 (66.7%)	3 (100.0%)
Pruritus	16 (42.1%)	8 (32.0%)	2 (50.0%)	2 (66.7%)	2 (66.7%)	2 (66.7%)
Headache	14 (36.8%)	8 (32.0%)	3 (75.0%)	1 (33.3%)	1 (33.3%)	1 (33.3%)
Nausea	14 (36.8%)	8 (32.0%)	3 (75.0%)	1 (33.3%)	0	2 (66.7%)
Diarrhea	12 (31.6%)	8 (32.0%)	2 (50.0%)	0	1 (33.3%)	1 (33.3%)
Arthralgia	11 (28.9%)	6 (24.0%)	3 (75.0%)	1 (33.3%)	0	1 (33.3%)
Decreased Appetite	10 (26.3%)	3 (12.0%)	3 (75.0%)	2 (66.7%)	0	2 (66.7%)

- No study discontinuations due to TRAEs
- No treatment-related deaths
- No G3/4 immune-mediated AEs at RP2D and lower

(1) Preferred Term based on MedDRA version 26.1 using highest grade. * Rash includes the following MedDRA preferred terms: Rash, rash erythematous, rash macular and rash maculo-papular; ** Flu-like symptoms includes the following MedDRA preferred terms: influenza-like illness, pyrexia, and chills. [∅] AEs occurred in same patient, patient was dose reduced to NKTR-214 0.003 mg/kg + nivo 360 mg q3w and patient continues on treatment with ongoing confirmed PR

Conclusions

- Immunotherapy is standard of care in melanoma
- Likely first and second line in most patients
- Understanding mechanisms of action important
- Manage side effects, understand long-term benefit
- Immunotherapy combinations are likely the future for melanoma and likely all cancers!