

Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Genitourinary Malignancies

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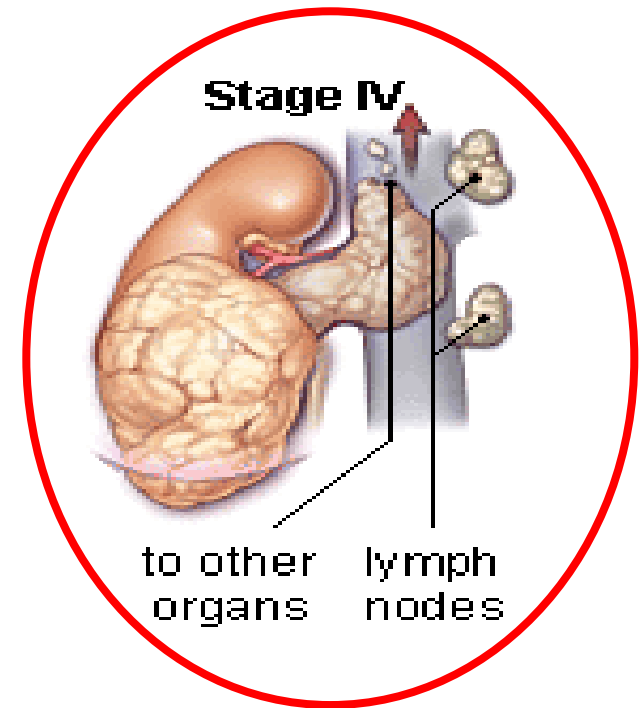
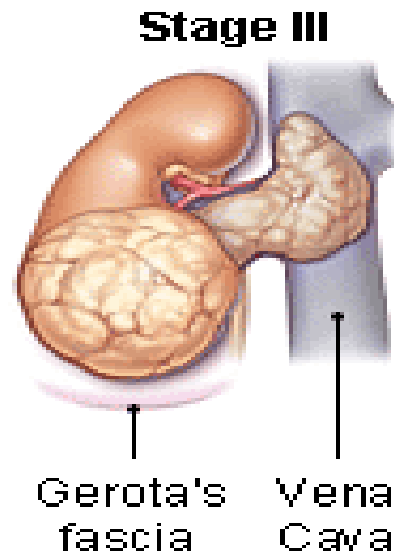
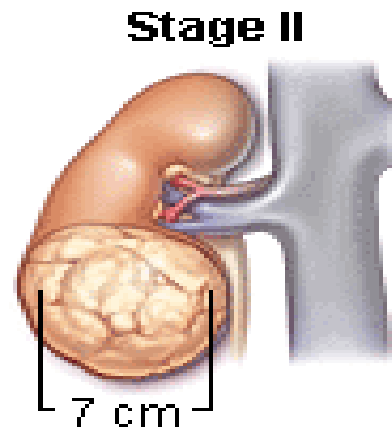
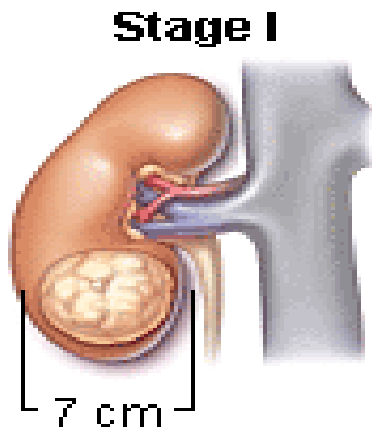
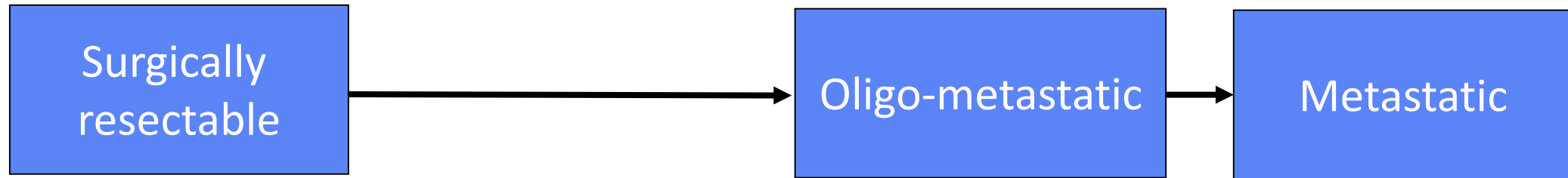
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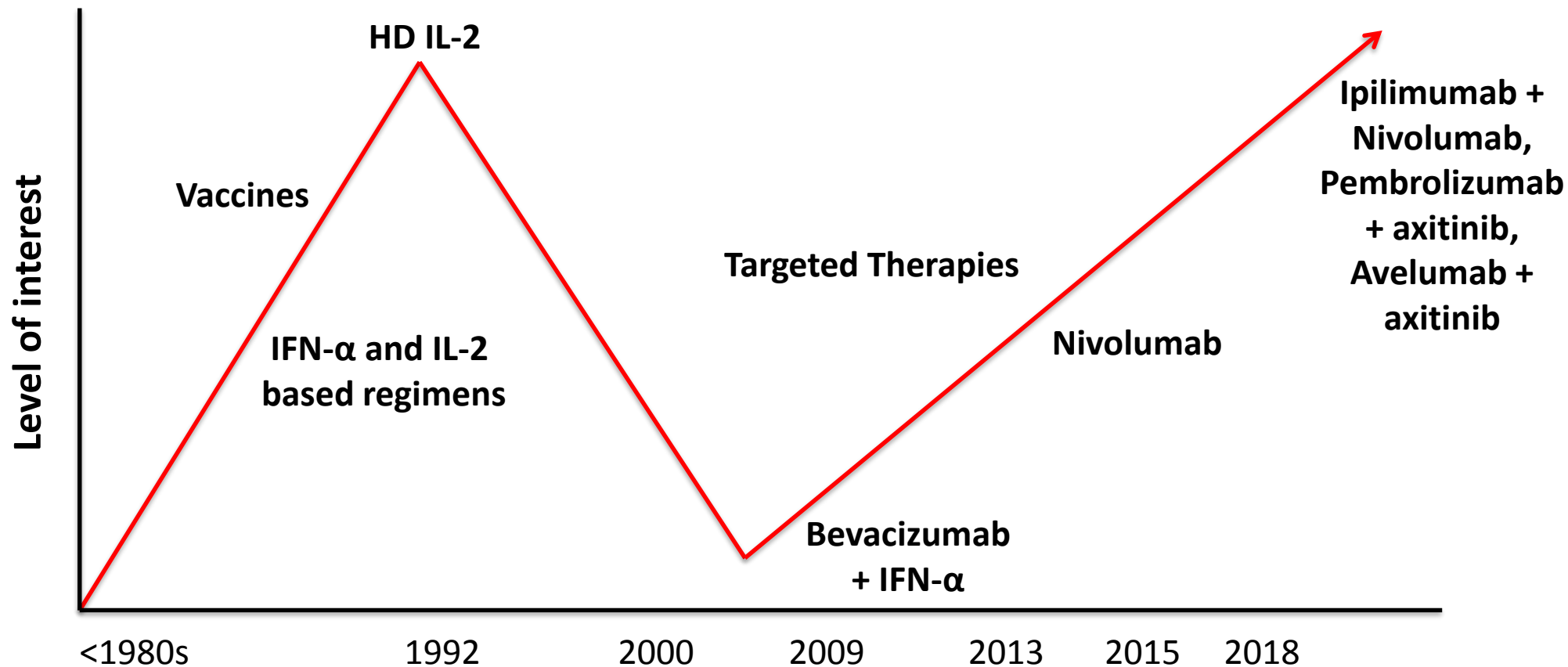
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- Served on Advisory Board for Eisai Pharmaceuticals
- Currently conducting trials with Merck, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Seattle Genetics, and Eisai
- I will be discussing non-FDA approved indications during my presentation.

Immunotherapy for Metastatic Kidney Cancer (Renal Cell Carcinoma; RCC)



History of Immunotherapy in mRCC



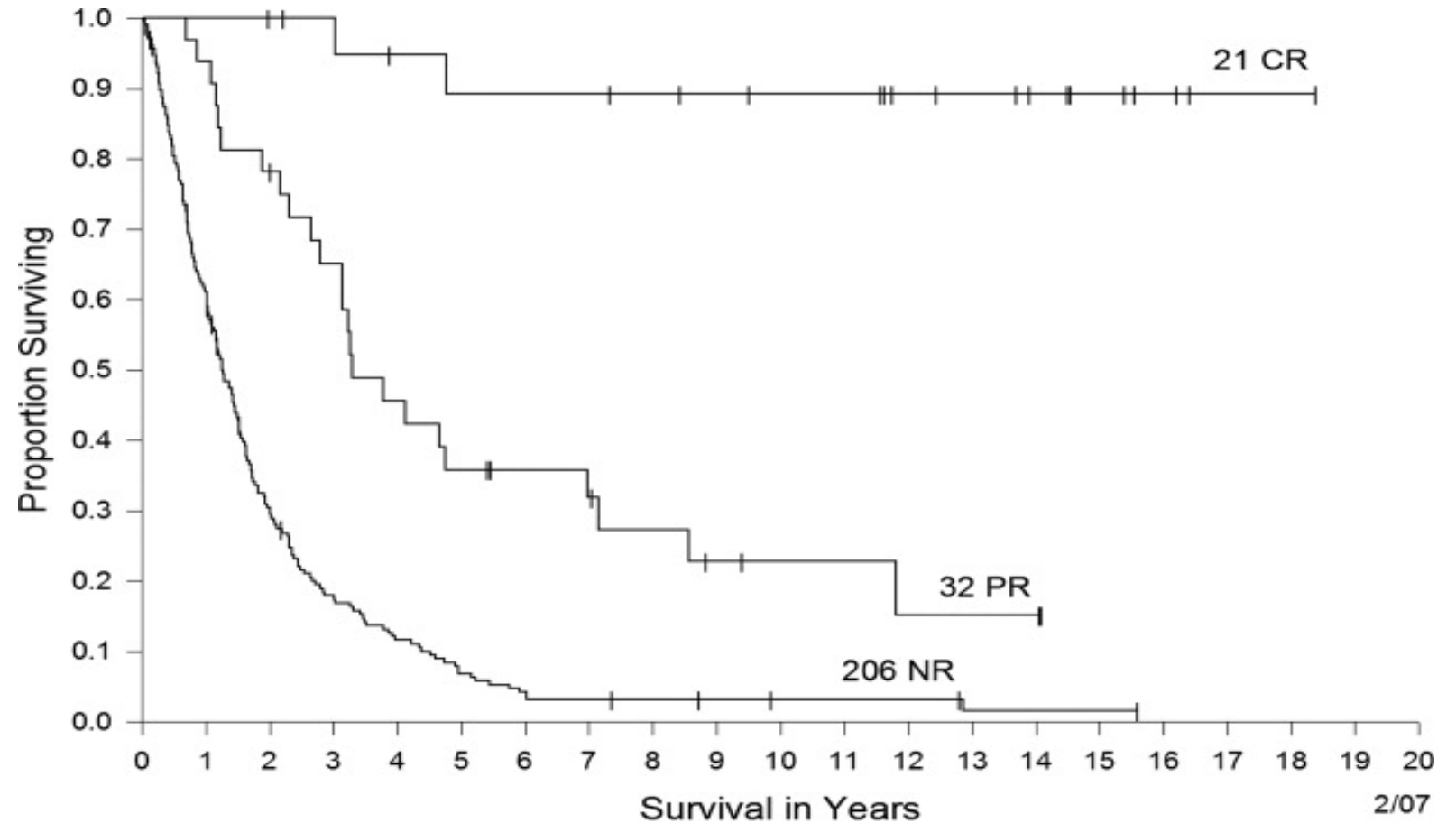
Resurgence of interest in immunotherapy

FDA-approved Immunotherapies for mRCC

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
High dose Interleukin-2	1992	Metastatic RCC	600,000 International Units/kg (0.037 mg/kg) IV q8hr infused over 15 minutes for a maximum 14 doses, THEN 9 days of rest, followed by a maximum of 14 more doses (1 course)
Interferon- α + bevacizumab	2009	Clear cell RCC	IFN 9 MIU s.c. three times a week + bev 10 mg/kg Q2W
Nivolumab	2015	Clear cell RCC refractory to prior VEGF targeted therapy	3mg/kg or 240mg IV Q2W or 480mg IV Q4W
Nivolumab + ipilimumab	2018	Clear cell RCC, treatment naïve	3mg/kg nivo plus 1mg/kg ipi Q3W x 4 doses then nivo maintenance at flat dosing
Pembrolizumab + axitinib	2019	Advanced RCC, Treatment naïve	200 mg pembro Q3W + 5 mg axitinib twice daily
Avelumab + axitinib	2019	Advanced RCC, Treatment naïve	800 mg avelumab Q2W + 5 mg axitinib twice daily

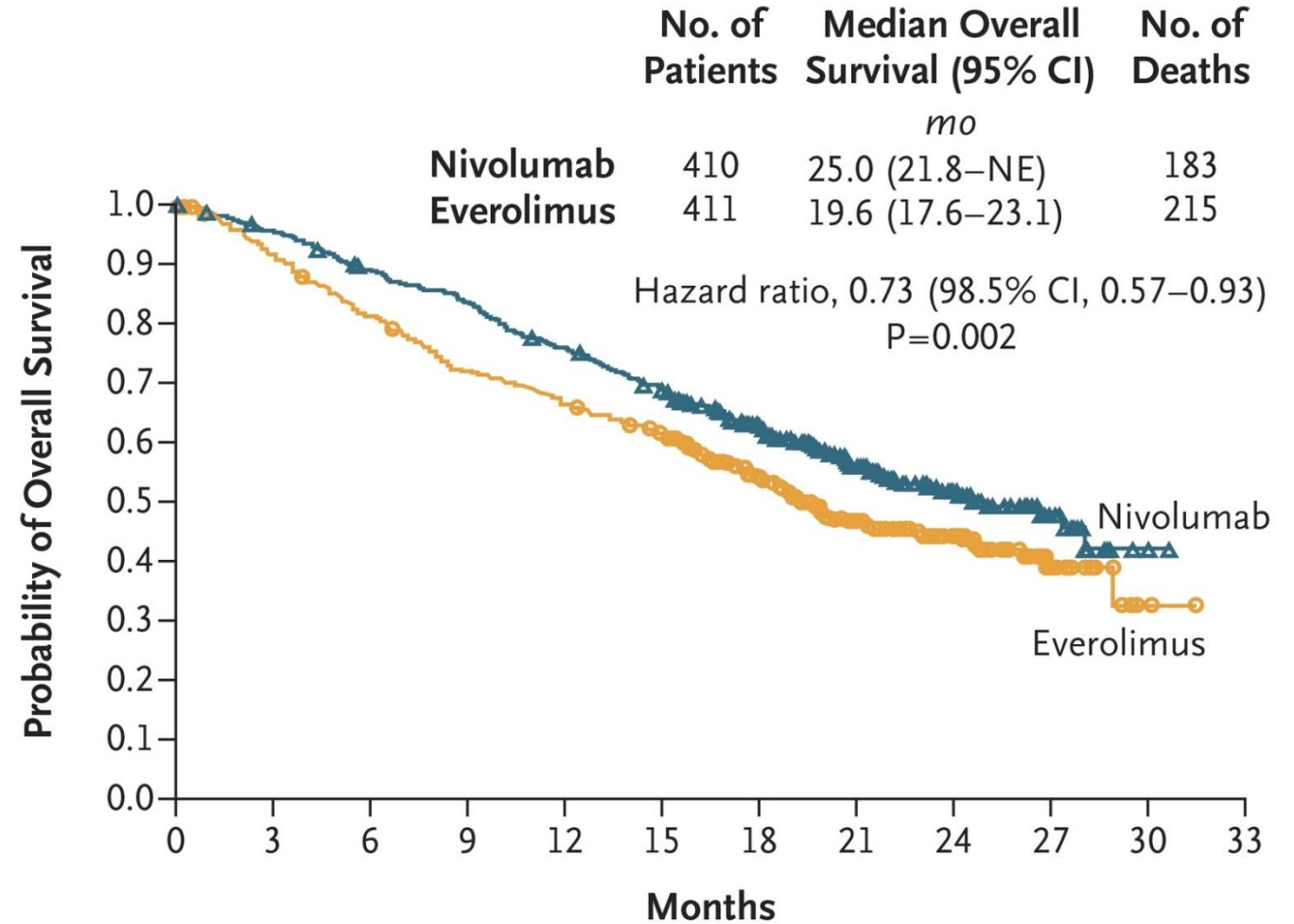
High Dose IL-2 in mRCC

- 20 year analysis of 259 patients
- ORR = 20%
 - 9% CR (n = 23)
 - 12% PR (n = 30)
- Median duration of response = 15.5 months
- Median OS = 19 months



Second-Line Nivolumab in mRCC

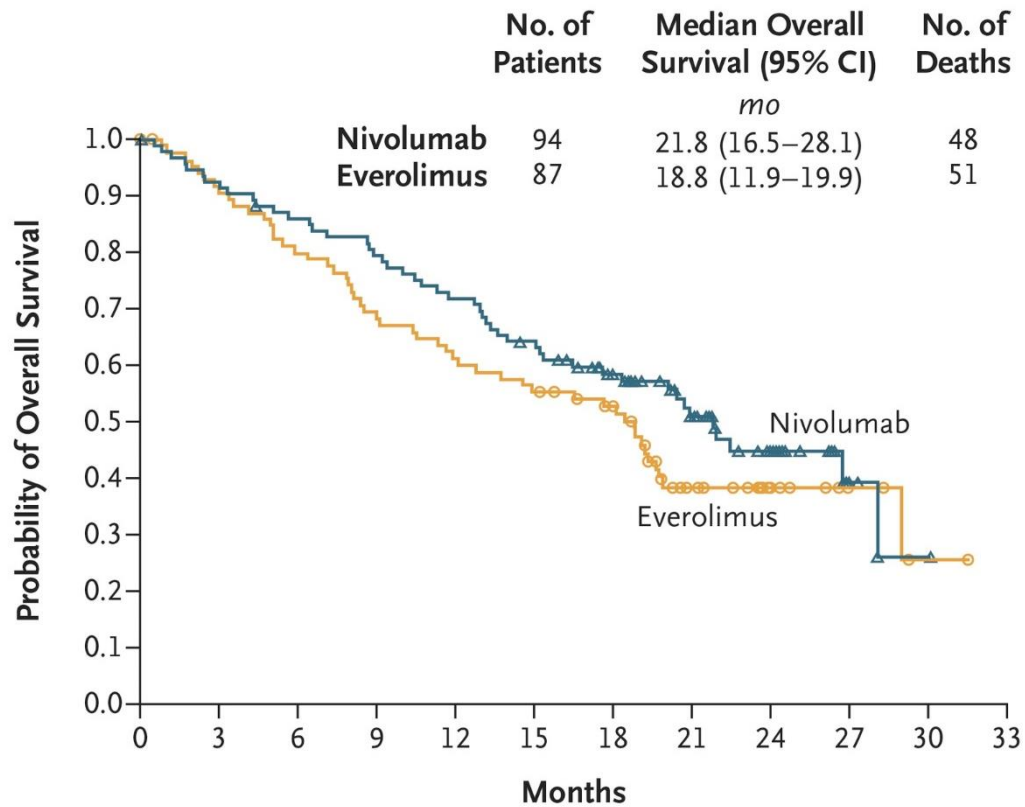
- CheckMate 025 Phase III trial
- Metastatic, clear-cell disease
- One or two previous antiangiogenic treatments
- Nivolumab (3 mg/kg IV Q2W) vs everolimus (10 mg daily)



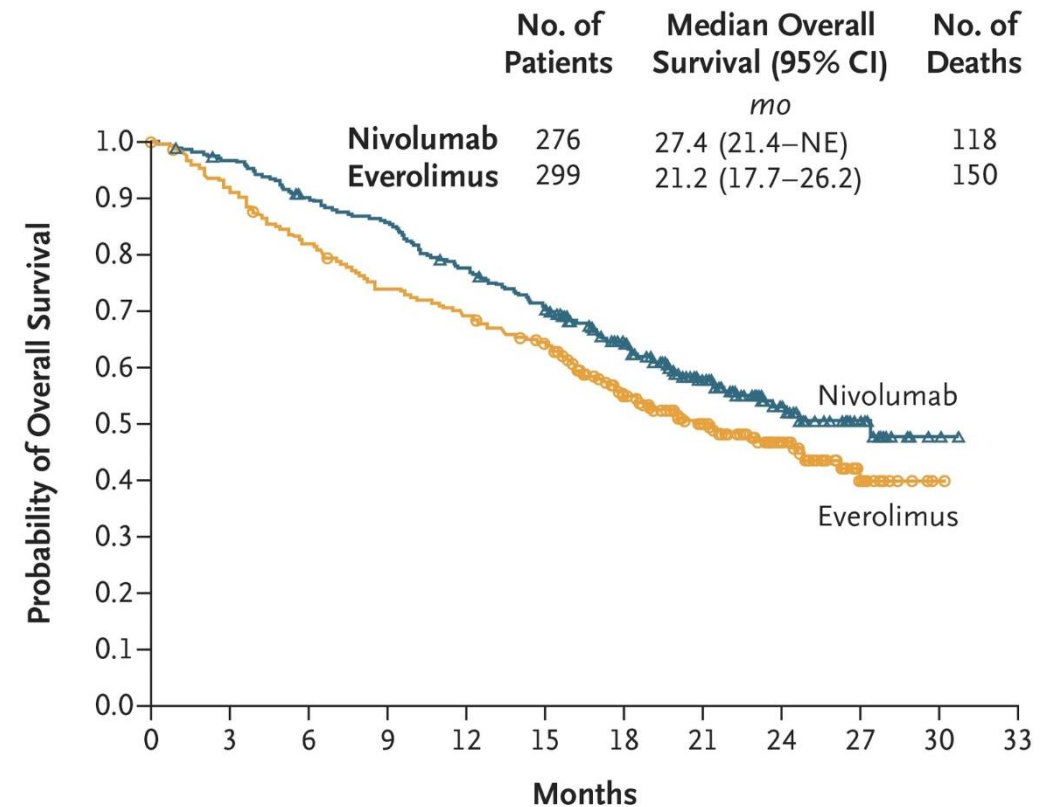
Second-Line Nivolumab in mRCC

PD-L1 subgroups

PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$



PD-L1 $< 1\%$





First-line Nivolumab + Ipilimumab in mRCC by IMDC Risk: overall survival

CheckMate 214

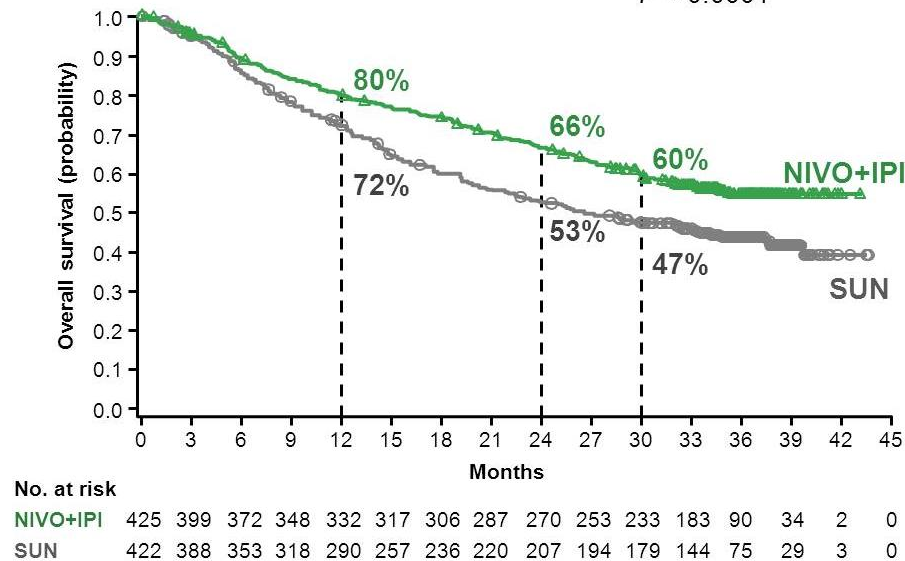
Follow-up
= 30 months

Intermediate/poor risk

Median OS, months (95% CI)

NIVO+IPI NR (35.6–NE)
SUN 26.6 (22.1–33.4)

HR (95% CI), 0.66 (0.54–0.80)
 $P < 0.0001$

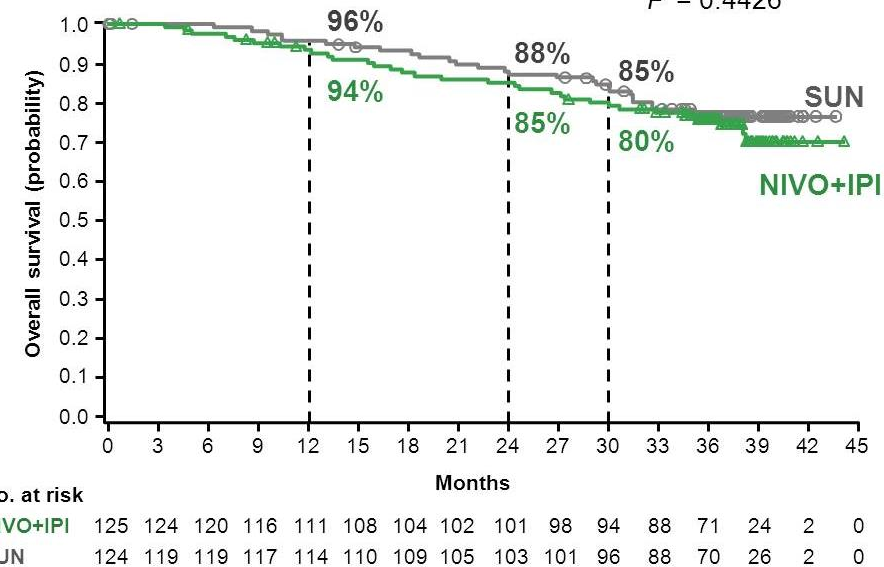


Favorable risk

Median OS, months (95% CI)

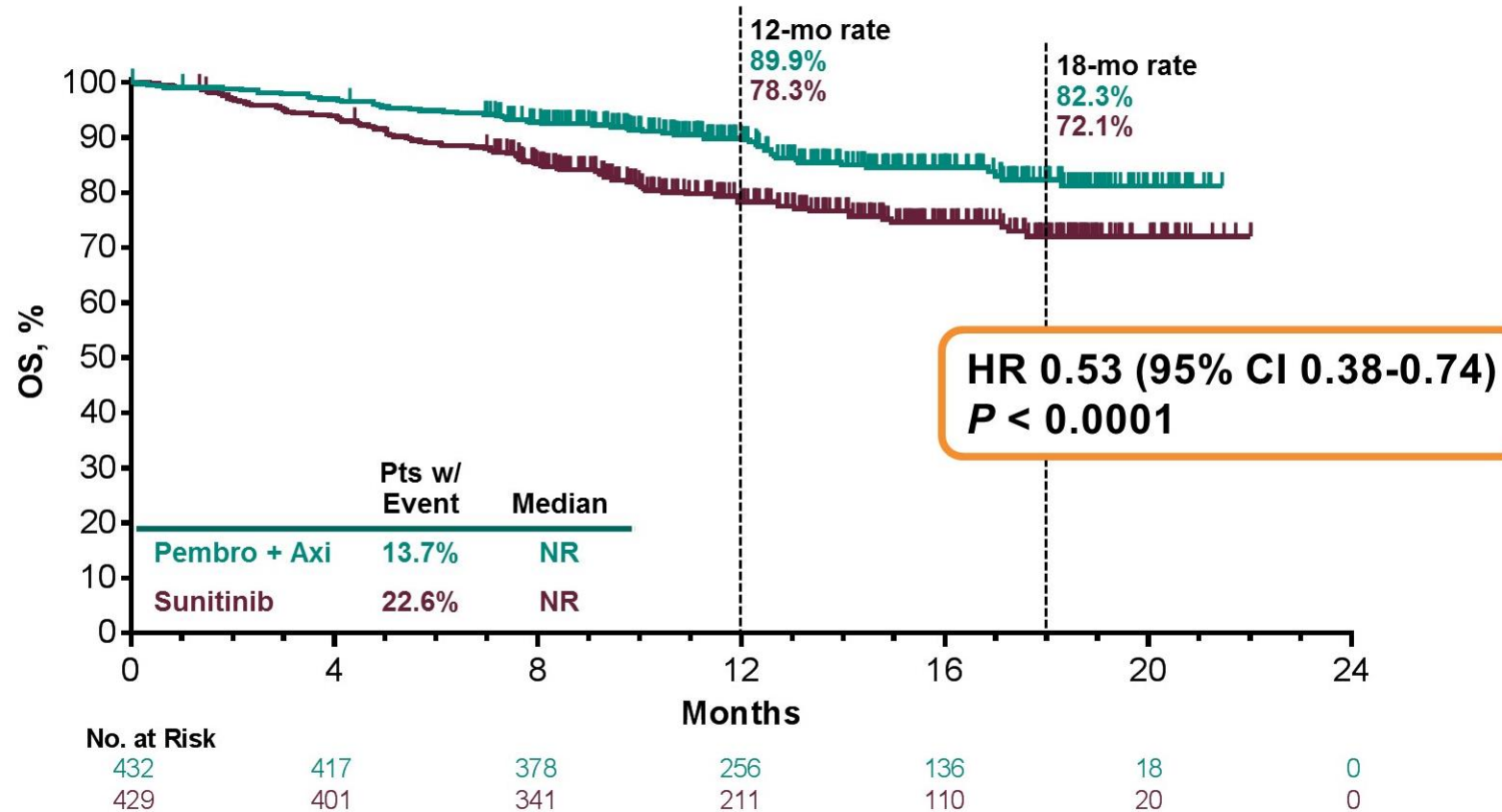
NIVO+IPI NR (NE)
SUN NR (NE)

HR (95% CI), 1.22 (0.73–2.04)
 $P = 0.4426$



First-line Pembrolizumab + axitinib in advanced RCC: overall survival

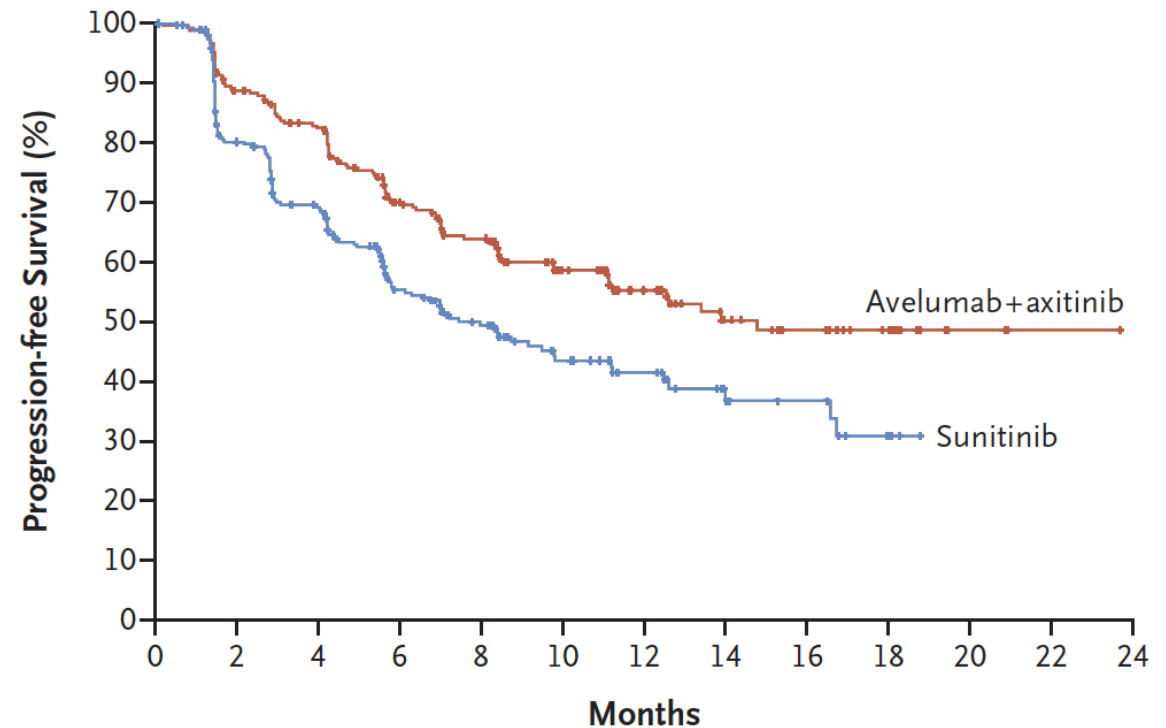
KEYNOTE-426: OS in the ITT Population



First-line avelumab + axitinib in mRCC: progression-free survival

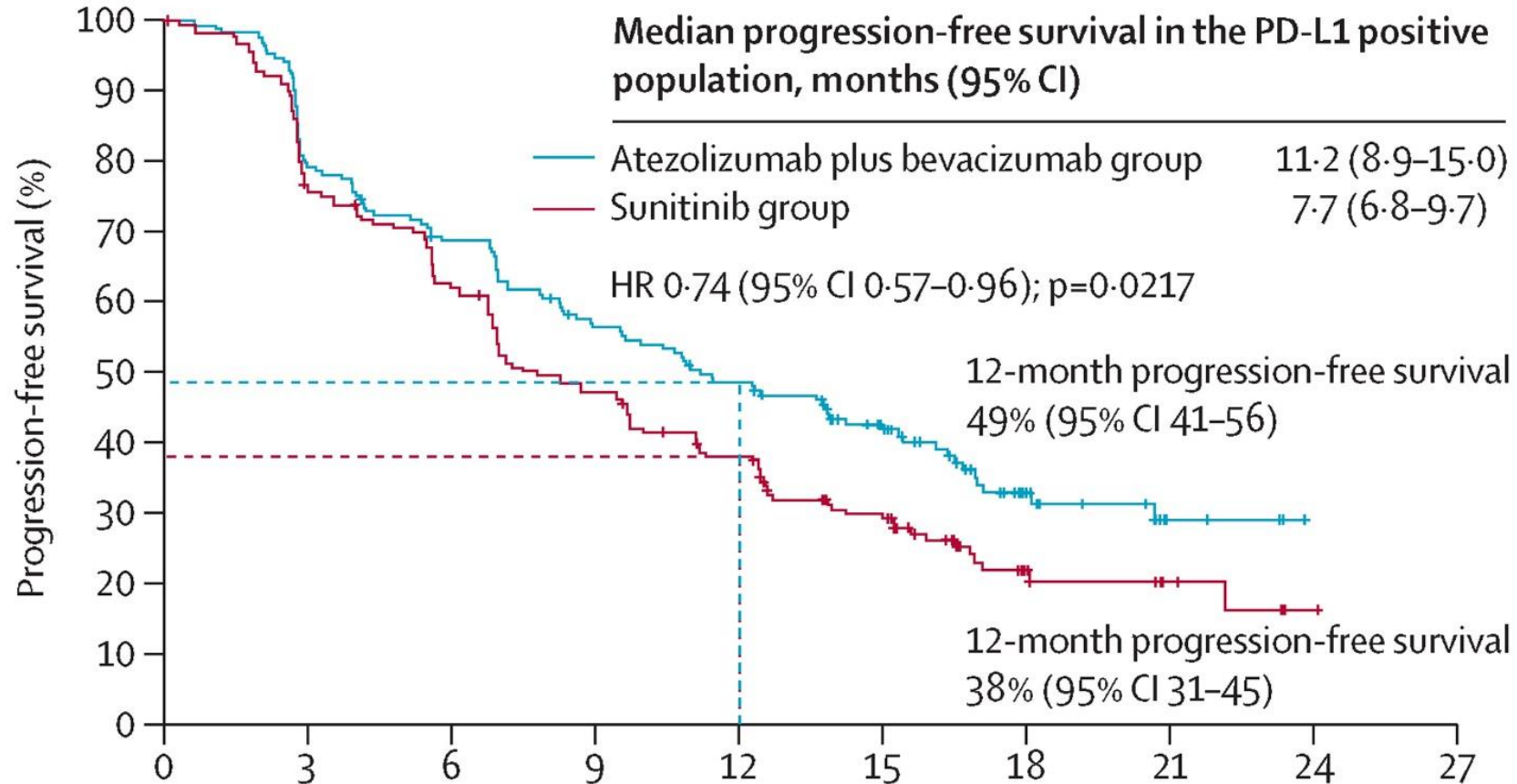
- Primary Endpoint: PFS and OS in PD-L1+
- Median PFS – 13.8 mo vs 7.2 mo (HR 0.61; 95% CI, 0.47–0.79)
- ORR: 61.9% vs 29.7
- OS data: immature

JAVELIN 101 : PFS in the PD-L1+ Population

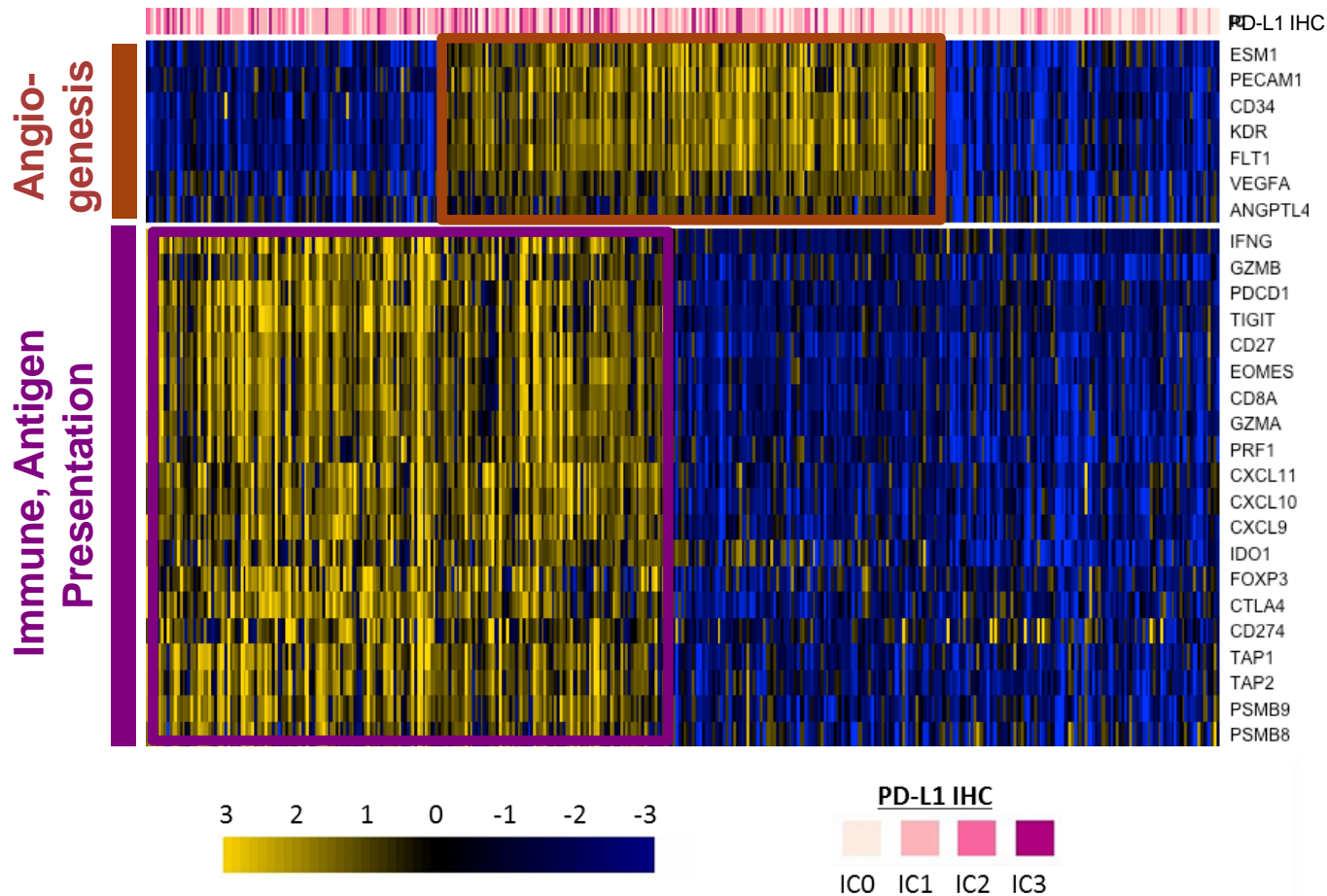


In Development: First-line atezolizumab + bevacizumab in PD-L1+ mRCC

Immotion151



In Development: First-line atezolizumab + bevacizumab: molecular signatures

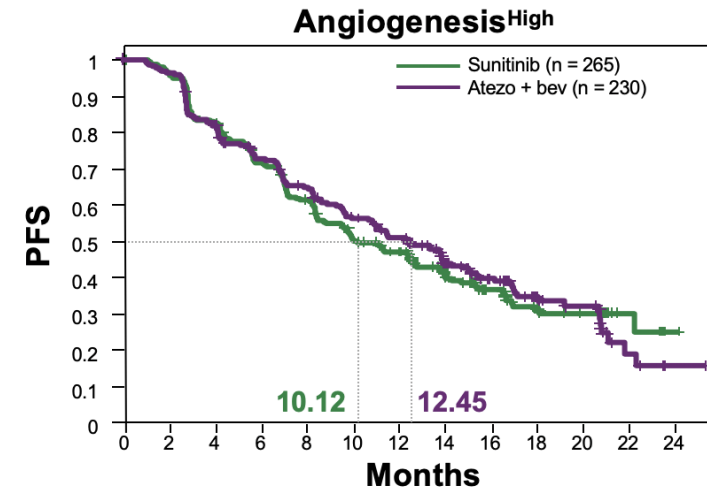
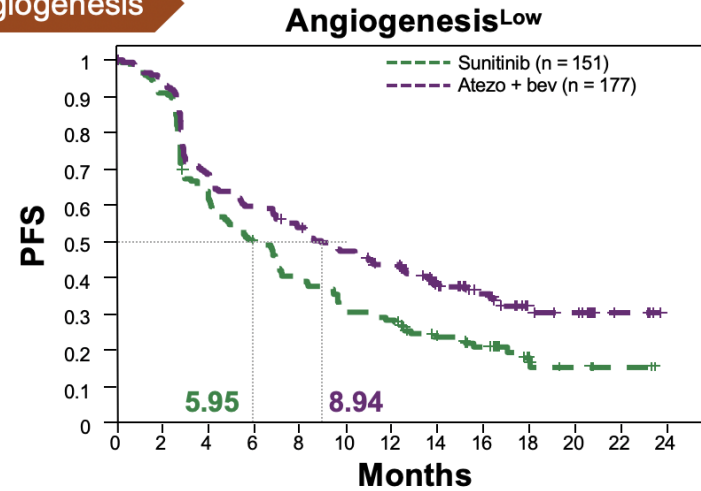


Identification of gene signatures based on association with clinical outcome

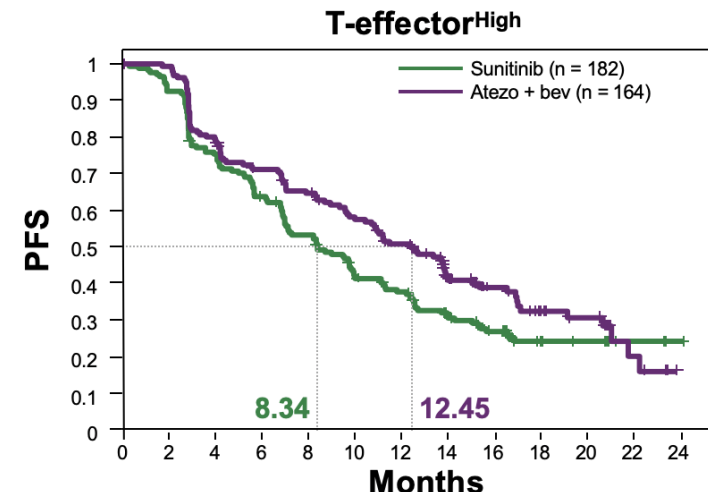
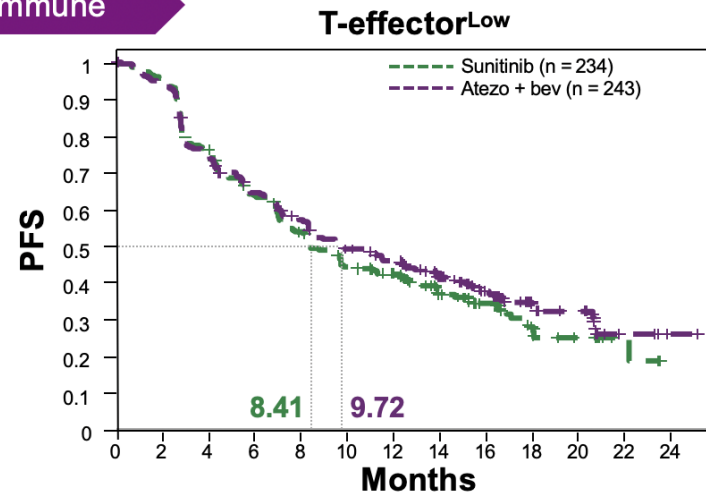
- T_{eff} : *CD8a*, *IFNG*, *PRF1*, *EOMES*, *CD274*
- Angio: *VEGFA*, *KDR*, *ESM1*, *PECAM1*, *CD34*, *ANGPTL4*

In Development: First-line atezolizumab + bevacizumab: molecular signatures

Angiogenesis



Immune



Front-line phase 3 trials with immunotherapy agents (efficacy summary)

	CheckMate 214	KEYNOTE-426	JAVELIN 101	IMmotion151
Intervention	Ipilimumab + Nivolumab	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib	Avelumab + Axitinib	Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab
Comparator	Sunitinib	Sunitinib	Sunitinib	Sunitinib
Primary Endpoint	OS, PFS, ORR in int/poor risk	OS, PFS	PFS, OS in PD-L1+	PFS in PD-L1+; OS
mOS, months	NR vs 37.9 (30 mo min followup)	NR vs NR (median 12.8 mo followup)	Not reported	33.6 vs 34.9 (median 24 mo followup)
PFS, months	9.7 vs 9.7	15.1 vs 11.1	13.8 vs 7.2	11.2 vs 7.7
ORR (ITT), %	41% vs 34%	59.3% vs 35.7%	51.4% vs 25.7%	37% vs 33%
CR rate (ITT)	10.5% vs 1.8%	5.8% vs 1.9%	3.4% vs 1.8%	5% vs 2%
IIT: Intent-to-Treat; PFS: progression-free survival; ORR: overall response rate; OS: overall survival				

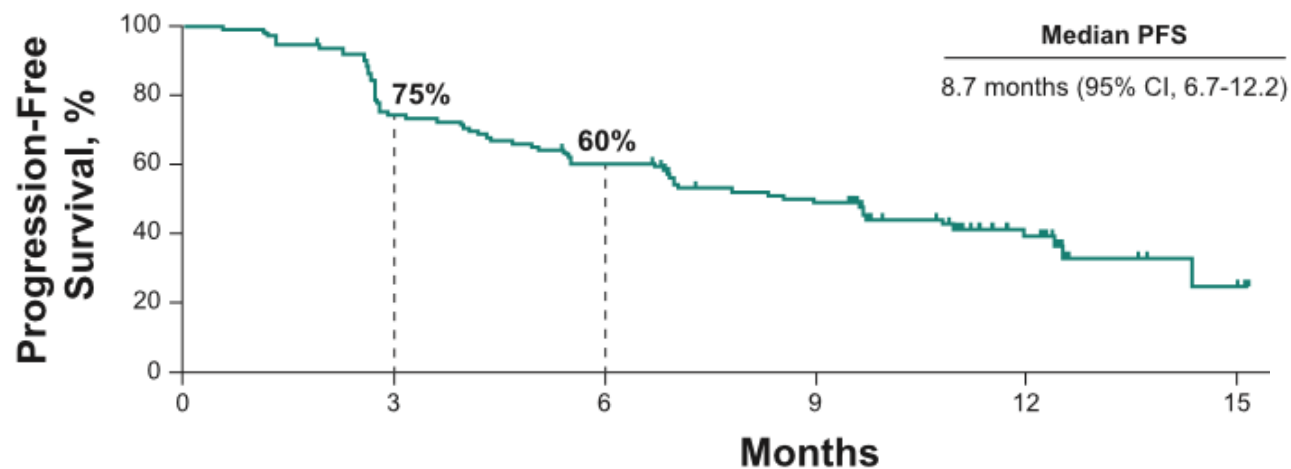
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Ongoing front-line phase 3 trials with immunotherapy agents for front-line ccRCC

Trial number	Trial Name	Treatment Arm	Comparator Arm	Population Size	Primary End Point
NCT03141177	CheckMate 9ER	Cabozantinib + Nivolumab	Sunitinib	630	PFS
NCT02811861	CLEAR	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab or Everolimus	Sunitinib	1050	PFS
NCT03729245	CA045002	NKTR-214 + Nivolumab	Sunitinib	600	ORR, OS
NCT03937219	COSMIC-313	Cabozantinib + Ipilimumab + Nivolumab	Sunitinib	676	PFS
PFS: progression-free survival; ORR: overall response rate; OS: overall survival					

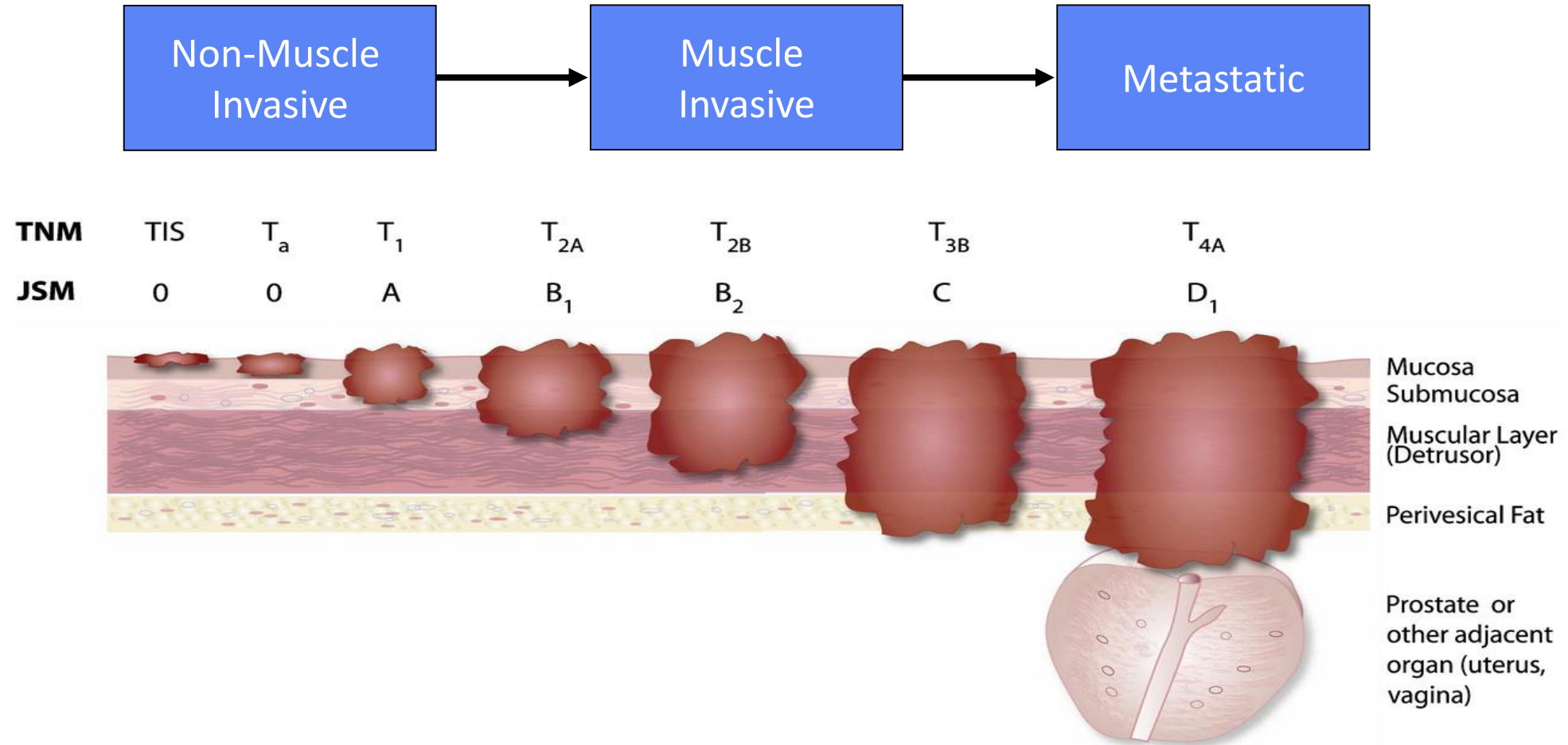
In Development: First-line pembrolizumab monotherapy in mRCC

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	N = 110
Confirmed ORR, % (95% CI)	36.4
CR, %	3 (3)
PR, %	37 (34)
DCR, %	57 (47-67)
DOR, median (range), mo	Not Reported
DOR ≥ 6 mo (responders), %	77

Immunotherapy for Metastatic Bladder Cancer (Urothelial Carcinoma; UC)



Approved checkpoint inhibitor for non-muscle invasive bladder cancer

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Pembrolizumab	January 2020	BCG-unresponsive, high-risk NMIBC, with or without papillary tumors and ineligible for cystectomy	200 mg Q3W

Response, n (%)	KEYNOTE-057 cohort A (n=97)
Complete response	40 (41.2)
Non-complete response	56 (57.7)
Persistent	40 (41.2)
Recurrent	6 (6.2)
NMIBC stage progression	9 (9.3)
Progression to T2	0
Extravesical disease	1 (1.0)
Non-evaluable	1 (1.0)

Approved checkpoint inhibitors for mUC – *cisplatin refractory*

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	2016 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC	1200 mg Q3W
Avelumab	2017	Advanced/metastatic UC	10 mg/kg Q2W
Durvalumab	2017	Advanced/metastatic UC	10 mg/kg Q2W
Nivolumab	2017	Advanced/metastatic UC	240 mg Q2W or 480 mg Q4W
Pembrolizumab	2017 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC	200 mg Q3W

Approved checkpoint inhibitors for mUC – *cisplatin ineligible*

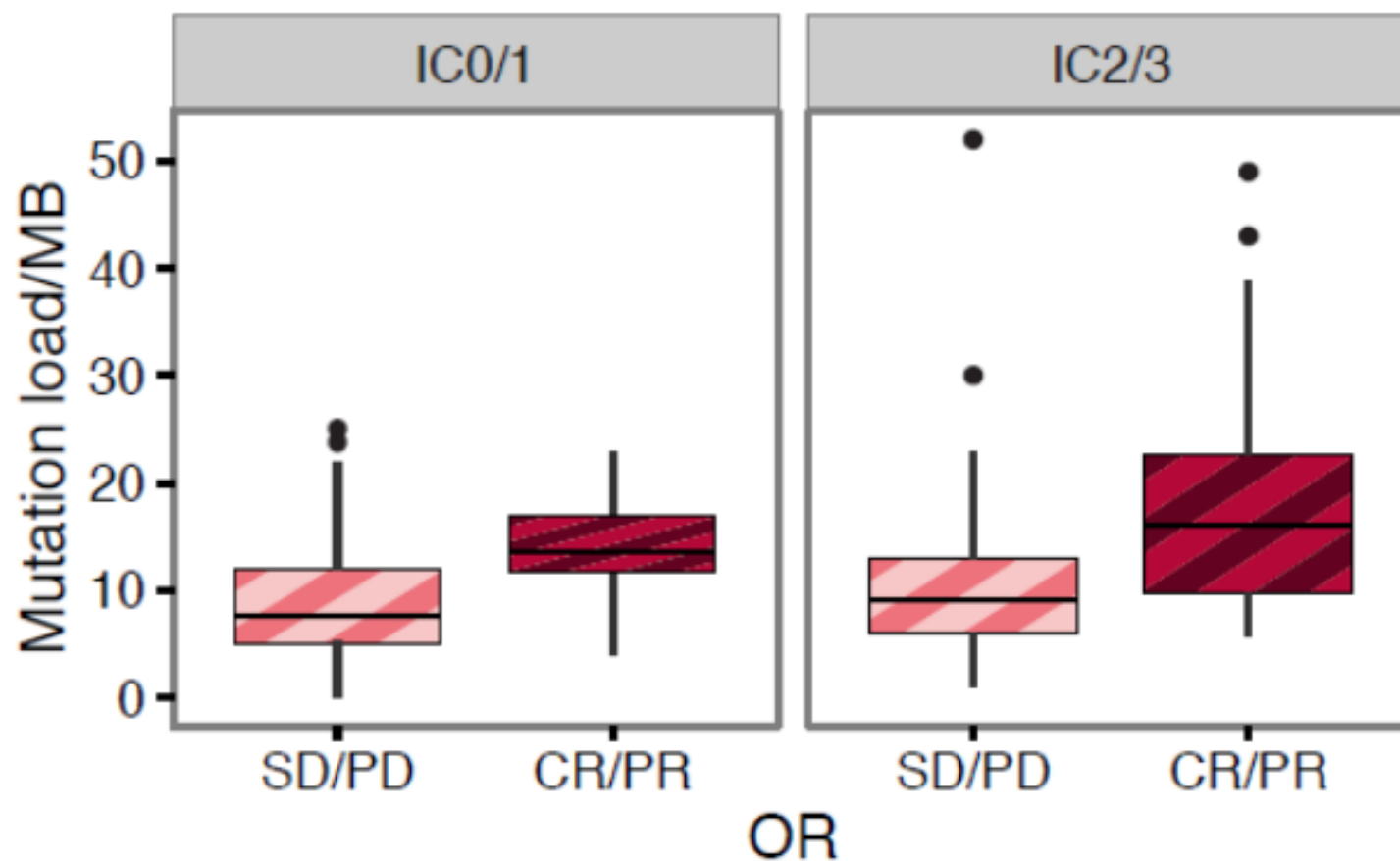
Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	2017 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC (PD-L1 $\geq 5\%$)	1200 mg Q3W
Pembrolizumab	2017 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC (PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10)	200 mg Q3W

June 2018

FDA limits the use of Atezolizumab and Pembrolizumab for some urothelial cancer patients

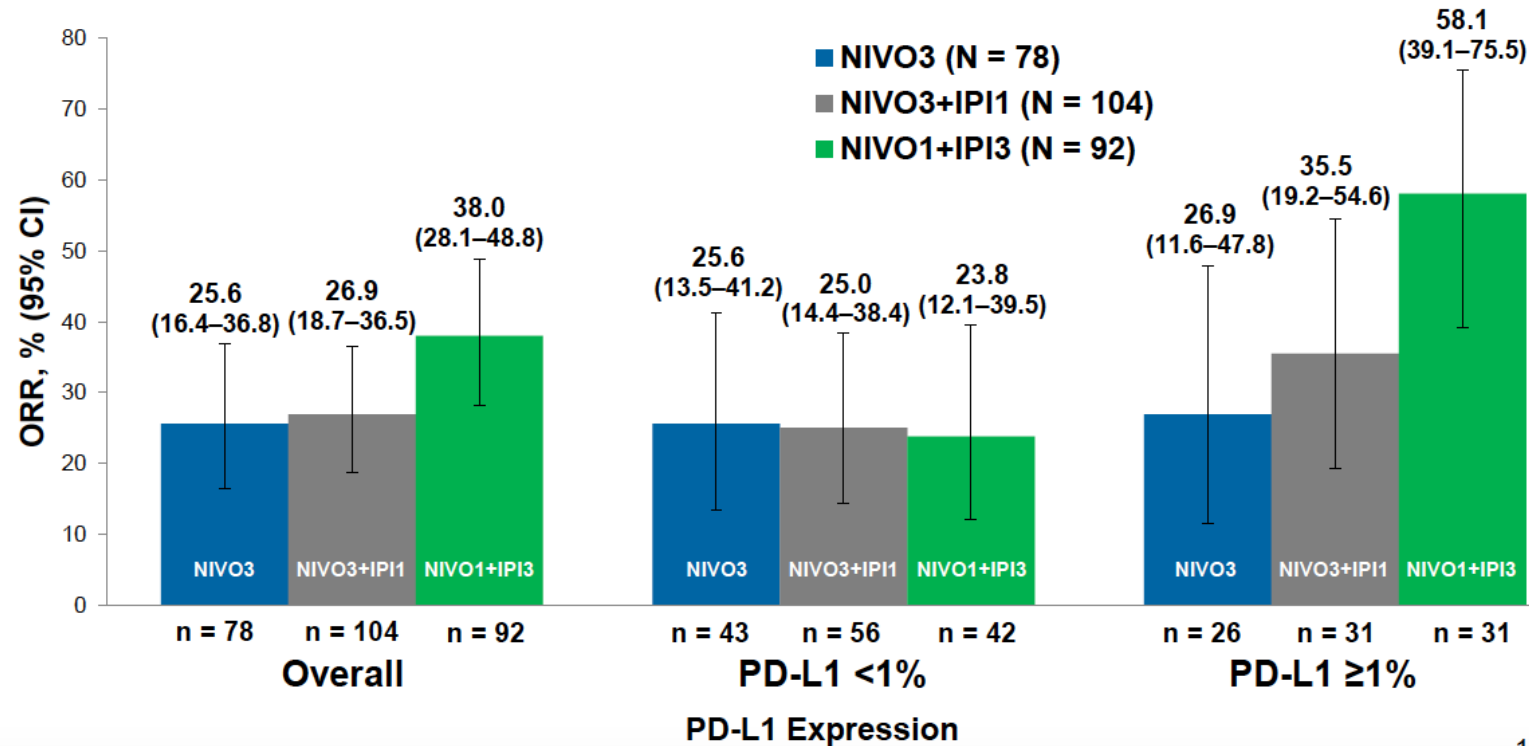
- Locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma and ineligible for cisplatin-based chemo and tumor PD-L1 (CPS ≥ 10 , pembro; IC $\geq 5\%$ tumor area, atezo)
- Patients ineligible for any platinum-containing chemotherapy regardless of PD-L1 status

Tumor Mutational Burden (TMB) May Signal Responses with PD-1 Blockade Atezolizumab in mUC



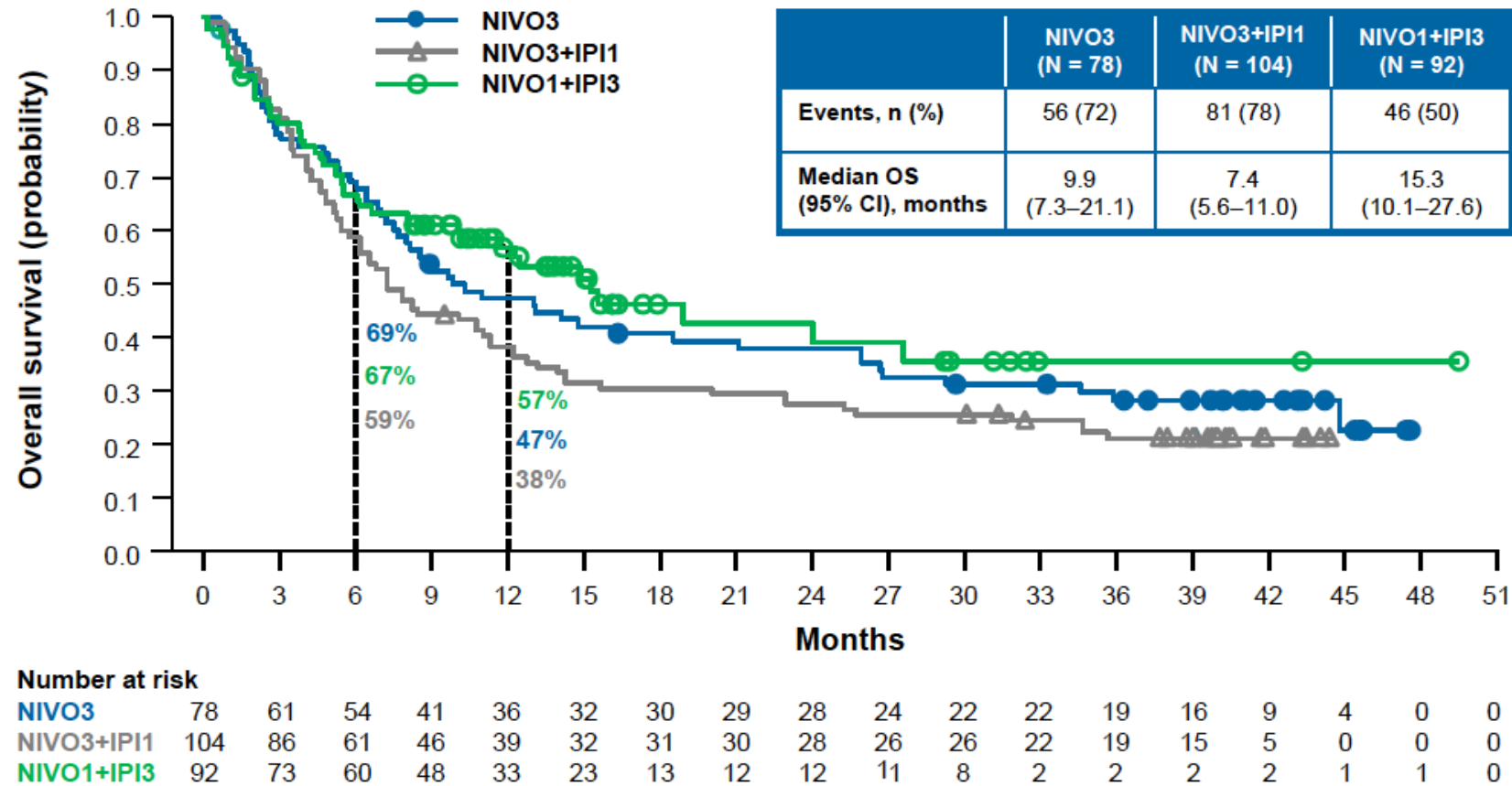
In development: Ipilimumab + Nivolumab CheckMate 032

ORR by Baseline Tumor PD-L1 Expression per Investigator



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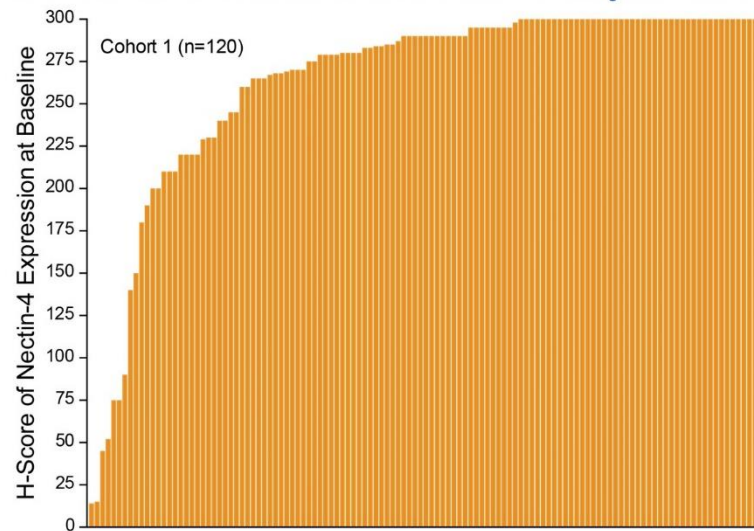
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Approved antibody-drug conjugate for mUC

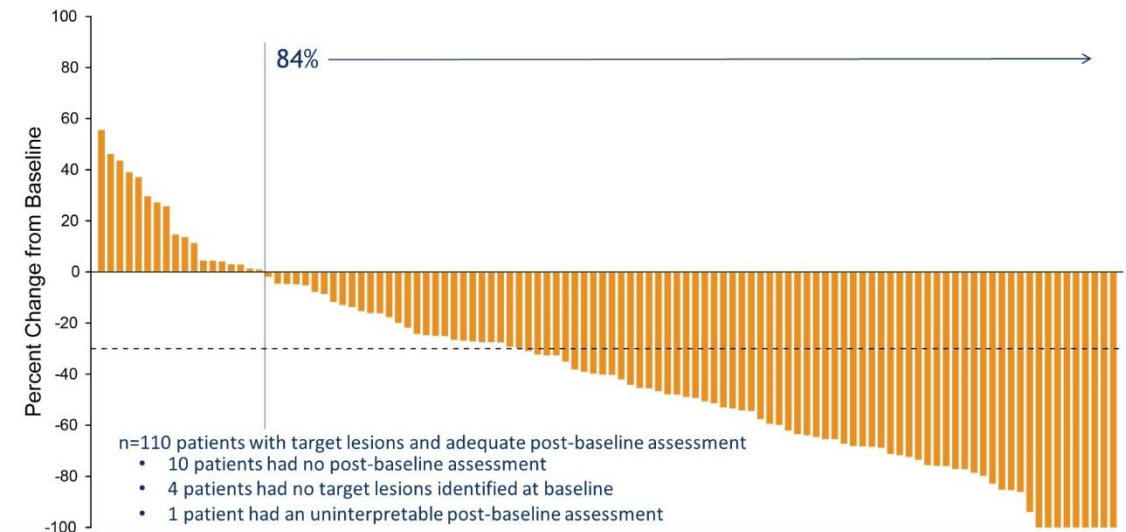
Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Enfortumab vedotin	December 2019	Locally advanced/metastatic UC with previous α PD-1/PD-L1 and Pt-based chemotherapy	1.25 mg/kg IV on days 1, 8, and 15 of each 28-day cycle

EV-201: Cohort 1 Nectin-4 Expression

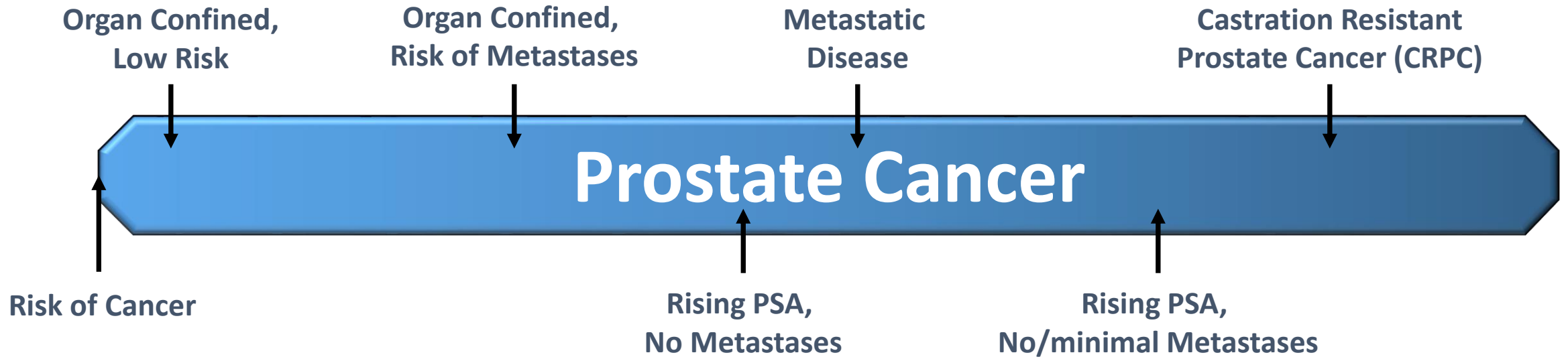


¹ Five patients did not have adequate tissue for Nectin-4 testing

EV-201: Cohort 1 Change in Tumor Measurements per BICR



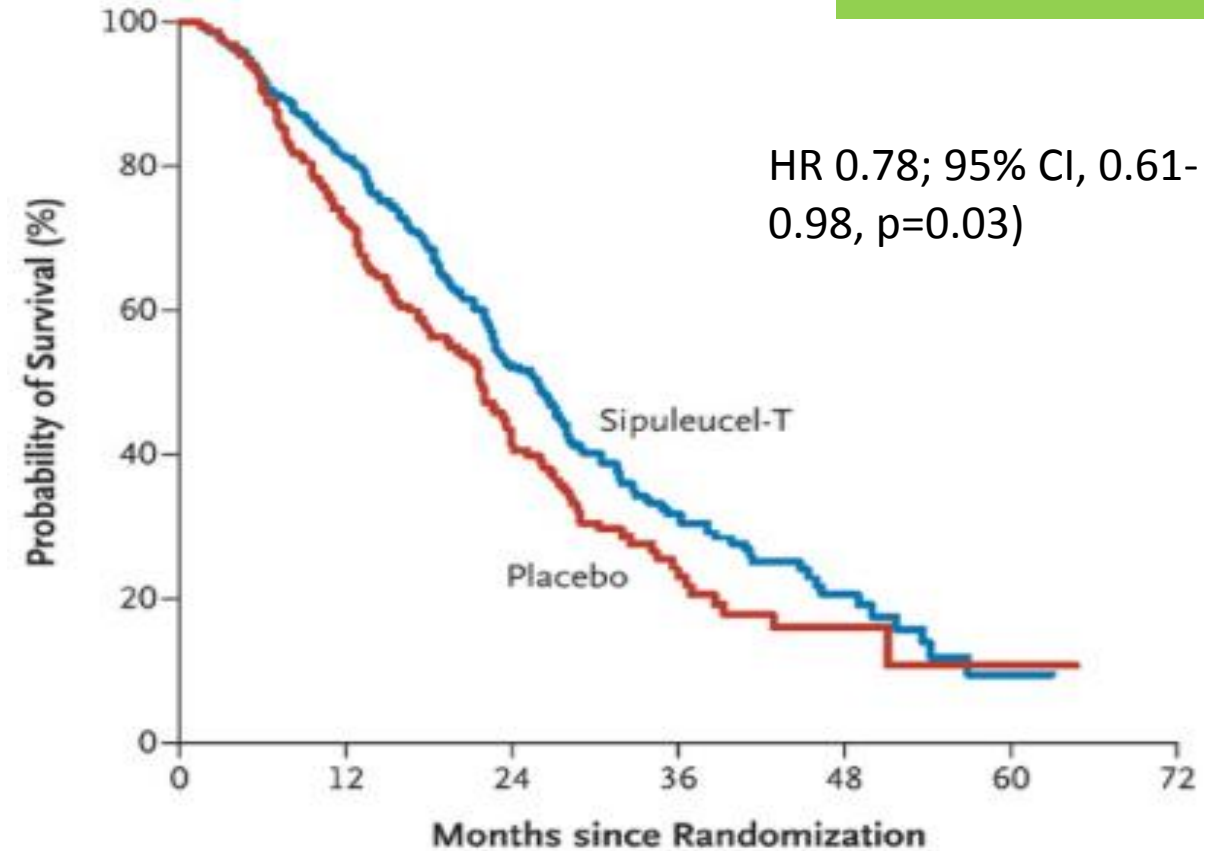
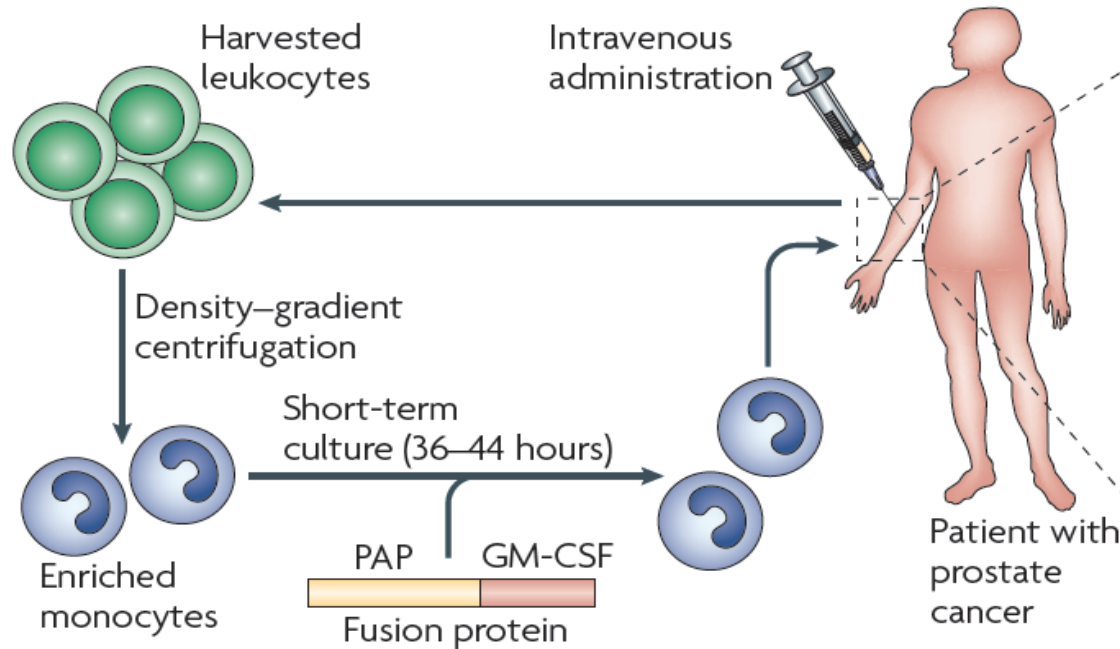
The Spectrum of Prostate Cancer



Sipuleucel-T in mCRPC

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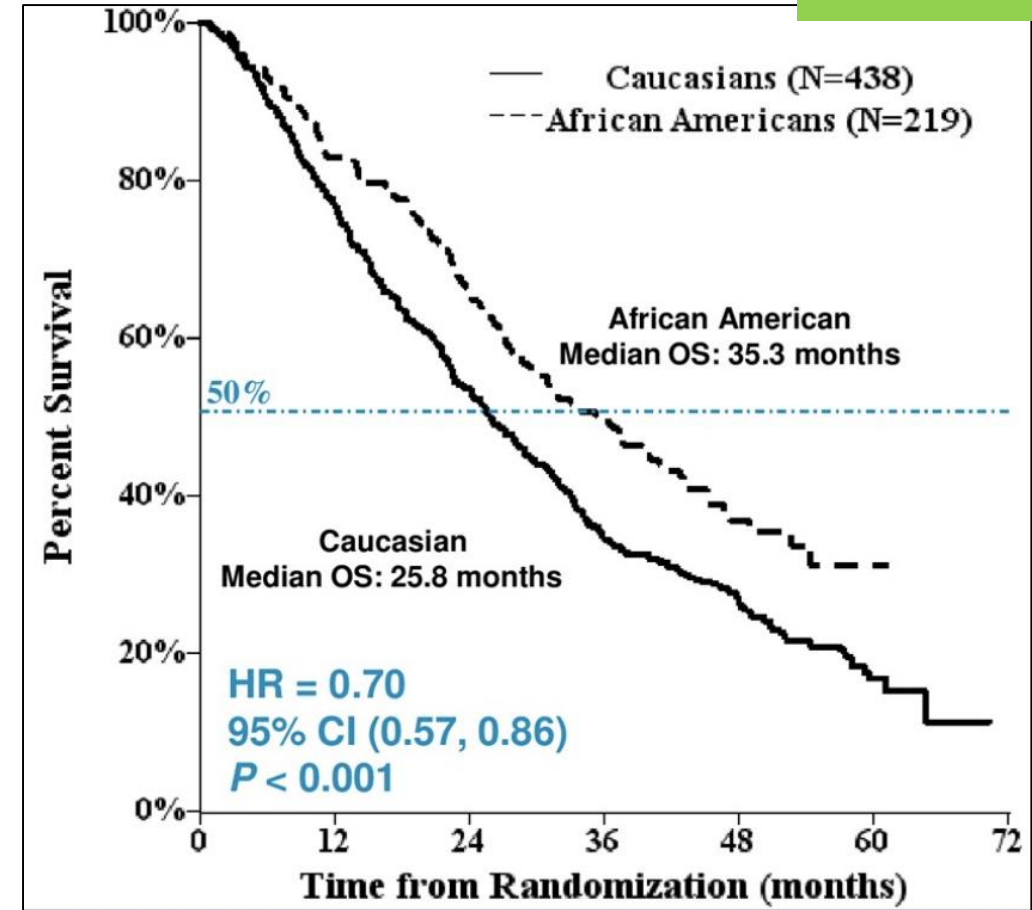
First anti-cancer therapeutic vaccine



Sipuleucel-T in mCRPC

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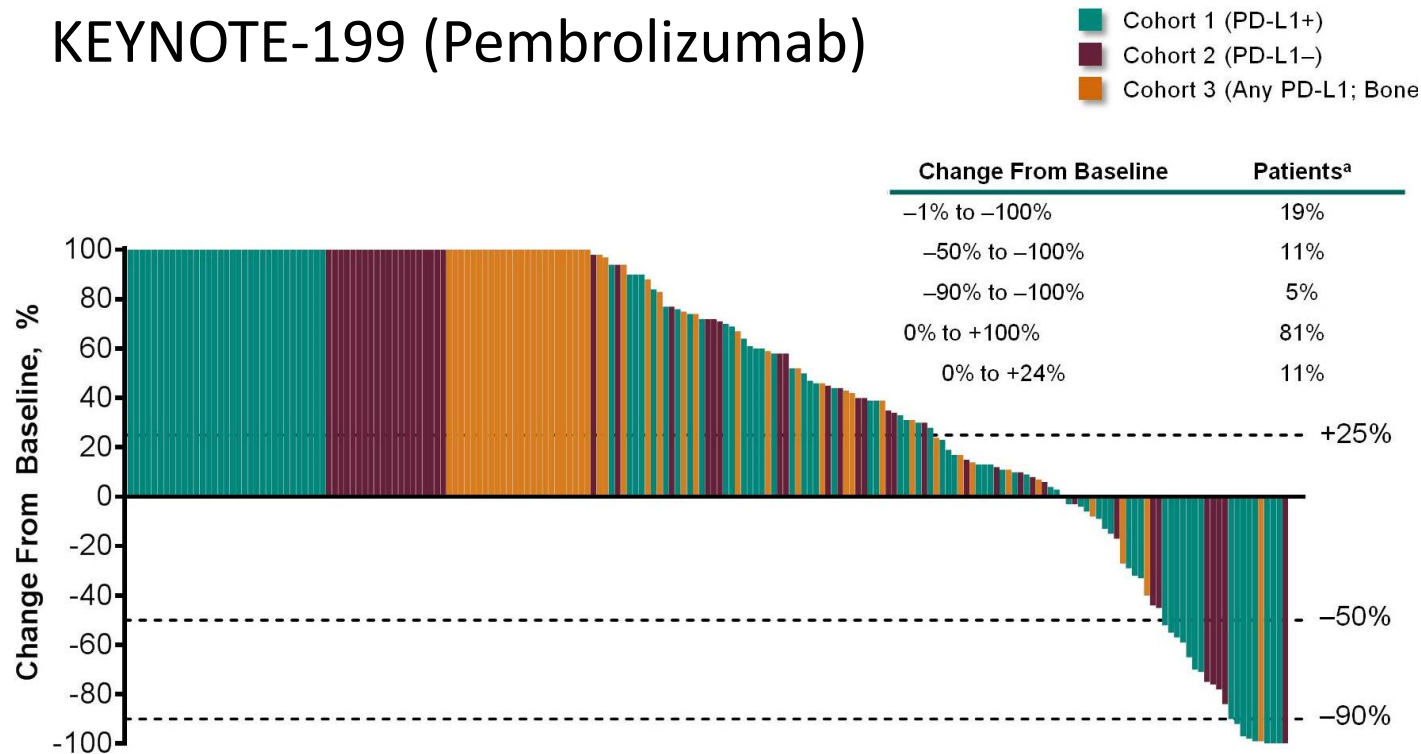
- Post-hoc analysis of Phase 3 trial PROCEED (N = 1902 mCRPC patients)
- African-Americans (AA) = 438; Caucasians (CAU) = 219
- Median OS = 35.2 (AA) vs 29.9 mo (CAU); HR 0.81, 95% CI 0.68–0.97; $p = 0.03$.
- AA race was independently associated with prolonged OS on multivariate analysis (HR 0.60, 95% CI 0.48–0.74; $p < 0.001$)



Limited efficacy of Checkpoint Inhibitors in mCRPC

No FDA-approved CIs for mCRPC

KEYNOTE-199 (Pembrolizumab)



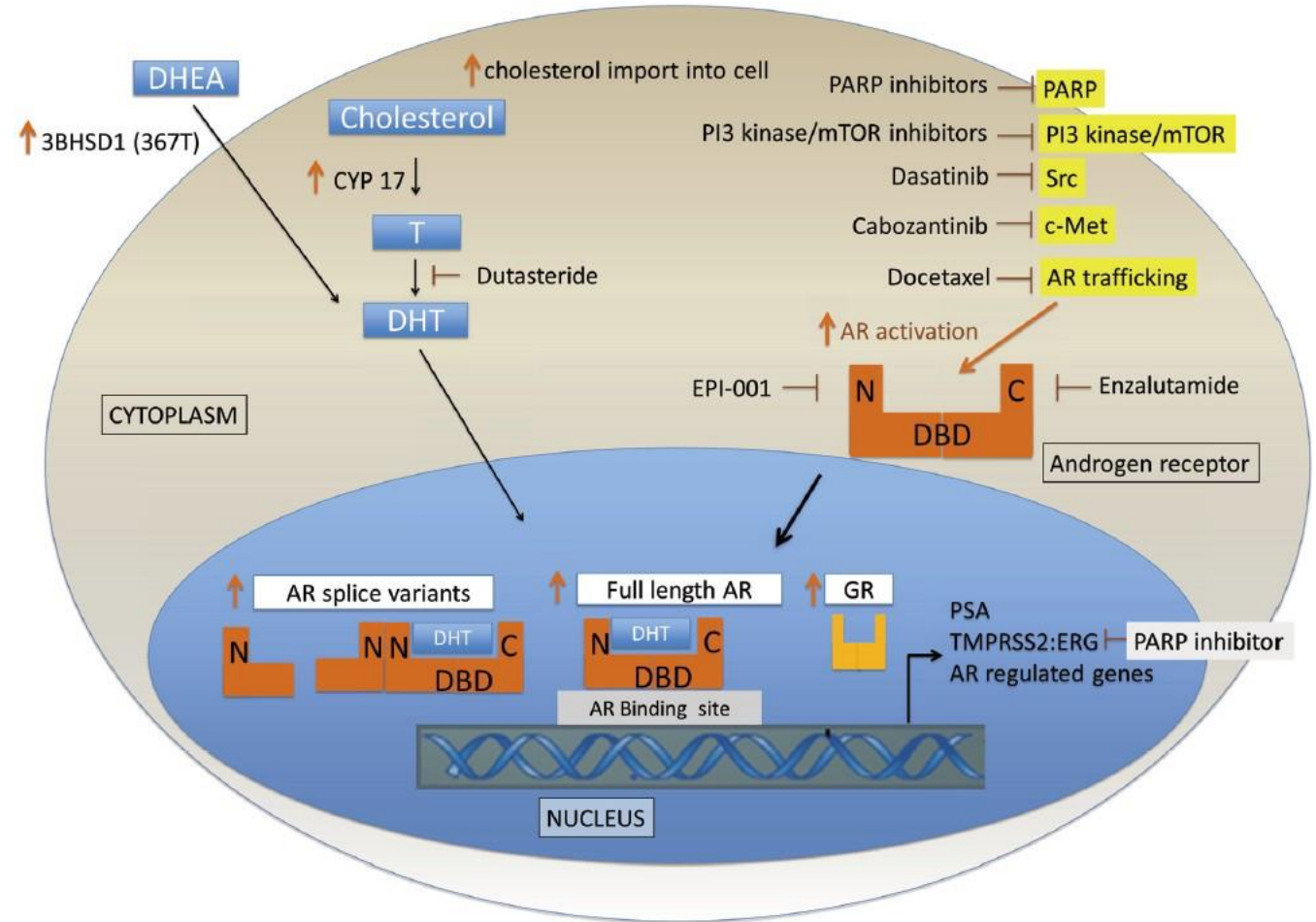
- Pembrolizumab is approved for all Microsatellite Instability-High (MSI-H) solid tumors
- MSI-H incidence is low in PC
 - Localized PC ~2%
 - Autopsy series of mCRPC ~12%
- MSI testing may offer pembrolizumab as an option

In development: nivolumab + ipilimumab in mCRPC

- Checkmate 650
- Nivo 1 mg/kg + Ipi 3 mg/kg Q3W for 4 doses, then Nivo 480 mg Q4W
- Progressed after 2nd-gen hormonal: 26% response @ 11.9 mo, 2 CR
- Progressed after chemo+hormonal: 10% response @ 13.5 mo, 2 CR
- Higher ORR in:
 - PD-L1 > 1%
 - DNA damage repair deficient
 - homologous recombination deficiency
 - high tumor mutational burden

Future Combinations in mCRPC to Engage Immune System

- Hormonal therapy
- Radiation
- Radium-223
- PARP inhibitors
- Chemotherapy
- New targets



irAEs with Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in GU Cancers - Meta-analysis of 8 studies

Similar
incidence
overall

Adverse event	Incidence, any grade (GU only trials) (%)	Incidence, grades 3–5 (GU only trials) (%)	Incidence any grade (non-GU clinical trials) (%)	Incidence, grades 3–5 (non-GU clinical trials) (%)
Hypothyroid/thyroiditis	0.8–9	0–0.6	3.9–12	0–0.1
Diabetes/DKA	0–1.5	0–0.7	0.8–0.8	0.4–0.7
LFT changes/hepatitis	1.5–5.4	1–3.8	0.3–3.4	0.3–2.7
Pneumonitis	2–4.4	0–2	1.8–3.5	0.25–1.9
Encephalitis	NR	NR	0.2–0.8	0.0–0.2
Colitis/diarrhea	1–10	1–10	2.4–4.1	1.0–2.5
Hypophysitis	0–0.5	0–0.2	0.2–0.9	0.2–0.4
Renal Dysfunction/nephritis	0.3–1.6	0–1.6	0.3–4.9	0.0–0.5
Myositis	0.8–5	0–0.8	NR	NR

Conclusions

- The role of immunotherapy in GU malignancies is increasing
- In RCC, many front-line checkpoint inhibitor options are approved
- Multiple checkpoint inhibitors approved for advanced/metastatic urothelial carcinoma
- Low immune engagement in prostate cancer has limited the application of immunotherapy in this disease

Additional Resources

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Case Studies

Case Study 1

- A 50 year old Caucasian man with past medical history significant for hypertension, tobacco abuse, and non-muscle invasive urothelial carcinoma of the bladder has previously been treated with TURBT and BCG. Unfortunately, he has recently lost 20 pounds and CT scans reveal new retroperitoneal lymphadenopathy, 2 liver lesions, and bilateral lung nodules. CT-guided biopsy of a lung lesion reveals metastatic urothelial carcinoma.
- Serum creatinine is 1.9 mg/dl and so the patient is not a candidate for cisplatin.
- The patient is not interested in clinical trial.

Case Study 1

What you do next for this patient?

- A.(Option1) – Start the patient on carboplatin/gemcitabine chemotherapy
- B. (Option 2) – Start ddMVAC chemotherapy
- C. (Option 3) – Obtain PD-L1 testing on the tumor biopsy
- D. (Option 4) – Start pembrolizumab

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Case Study 1

Tumor Biopsy CPS score returns at 50. What would you offer next?

- A.(Option1) - Start the patient on carboplatin/gemcitabine chemotherapy
- B. (Option 2) - Start ddMVAC chemotherapy
- C. (Option 3) - Start pembrolizumab

Case Study 1

After 12 weeks on pembrolizumab, the patient has nice partial response to therapy and has started to gain weight.



Case Study 2

A relatively fit 64 year old man with past medical history significant for hypothyroidism and osteoarthritis presents with right flank pain and fatigue. Hemoglobin is 9.5 g/dl. Other CBC values and chemistries are WNL. CT scans show a 10 cm right kidney mass, bulky retroperitoneal lymphadenopathy, and multiple bilateral lung nodules measuring up to 1.5 cm. CT-guided biopsy of a lung nodule confirms clear cell renal cell carcinoma. What therapy would you offer this patient:

- A. (Option 1) – Sunitinib
- B. (Option 2) – Ipilimumab/Nivolumab
- C. (Option 3) – Axitinib/Pembrolizumab
- D. (Option 4) – Cabozantinib

Case Study 2

I would choose Ipilimumab/Nivolumab but controversial???

Case Study 2

The patient has stable disease on repeat CT scans after 4 cycles ipilimumab/nivolumab and switches to monthly nivolumab. CT scans after 3 additional months show a new liver lesion. Repeat CT scans after 8 weeks show 2 additional liver lesions and a new bony metastasis. What therapy would you offer this patient:

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- B. (Option 2) – Pembrolizumab
- C. (Option 3) – Axitinib/Pembrolizumab
- D. (Option 4) – Cabozantinib

Case Study 2

- Again controversial, but I would probably select cabozantinib.
- Best option – CLINICAL TRIAL

Thank You!!!!