

# Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Genitourinary Malignancies

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- I will be discussing non-FDA approved indications during my presentation.

# Case Study

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- 56 y/o female presents with 2 month h/o worsening abdominal pain
- Performance status: Karnofsky 90
- Labs:
  - Normal LFTs
  - Normal creatinine, GFR>60
  - Hgb 13
  - Calcium 8.2
  - LDH – normal
- CT abdomen
  - 15 cm right renal mass with IVC thrombus
- CT chest - 2 enlarged pulmonary nodes (9 & 11mm)
- CT brain – normal

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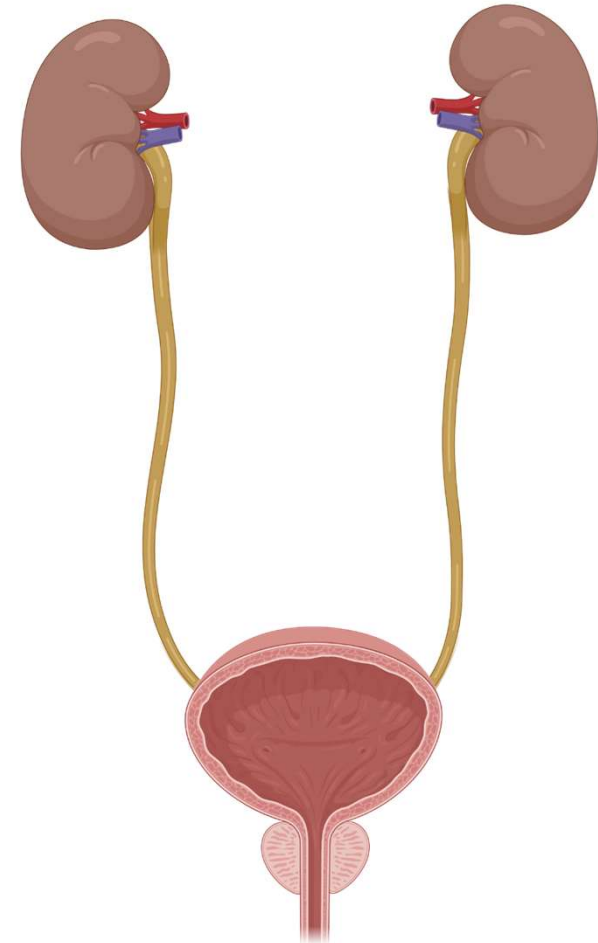
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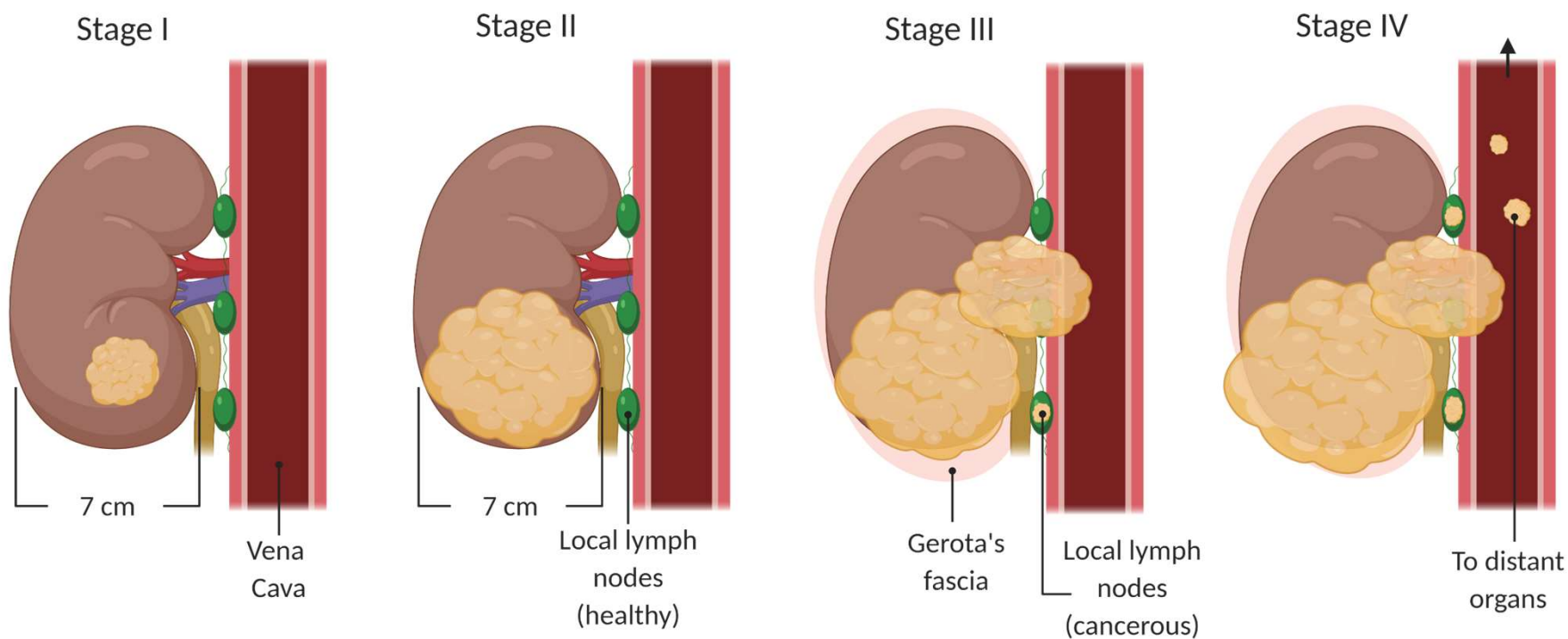
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- B. Avelumab monotherapy
- C. Radical nephrectomy, IVC thrombectomy
- D. Cisplatin, 5-FU chemotherapy

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# Renal cell carcinoma (RCC)



# FDA-approved immunotherapies for mRCC

Drug	Indication	Dose
High dose Interleukin-2	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- $\alpha$ + bevacizumab	Clear cell RCC	IFN 9 MIU s.c. three times a week + bevacizumab 10 mg/kg Q2W
Nivolumab	Clear cell RCC refractory to prior VEGF targeted therapy	240 mg Q2W or 480 mg Q4W
Nivolumab + ipilimumab	Clear cell RCC, treatment naïve	3 mg/kg nivo plus 1 mg/kg ipi Q3W x 4 doses then nivo maintenance at flat dosing
Pembrolizumab + axitinib	Advanced RCC, Treatment naïve	200 mg pembro Q3W or 400 mg Q6W + 5 mg axitinib twice daily
Avelumab + axitinib	Advanced RCC, Treatment naïve	800 mg avelumab Q2W + 5 mg axitinib twice daily



# Front-line immunotherapy treatments for RCC

Study	Treatment arm(s)	Patient selection criteria	N	ORR	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)
CheckMate 214	Nivolumab + ipilimumab*	Untreated, advanced clear cell RCC (poor/intermediate risk)	550	42%	12.0	47.0
	Sunitinib		546	26%	8.3	26.6
KEYNOTE-426	Pembrolizumab + axitinib*	Untreated, advanced clear cell RCC	432	60%	15.4	NR
	Sunitinib		429	40%	11.1	35.7
JAVELIN Renal 101	Avelumab + axitinib*	Untreated, advanced clear cell RCC	442	52.5%	ITT: 13.3 PD-L1+: 13.8	ITT: NE PD-L1+: NE
	Sunitinib		444	27.3%	ITT: 8.0 PD-L1+: 7.0	ITT: NE PD-L1+: 25.6
IMmotion151	Atezolizumab + bevacizumab	Untreated, advanced clear cell or sarcomatoid RCC	454	ITT: 37% PD-L1+: 43%	ITT: 11.2 PD-L1+: 11.2	ITT: 33.6 PD-L1+: 34.0
	Sunitinib		461	ITT: 33% PD-L1+: 35%	ITT: 8.4 PD-L1+: 7.7	ITT: 34.9 PD-L1+: 32.7

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\*FDA-approved IO regimen

Tannir, ASCO-GU 2020; Pilmack, ASCO 2020; Choueiri, Ann Oncol 2020; Rini, Lancet 2019.

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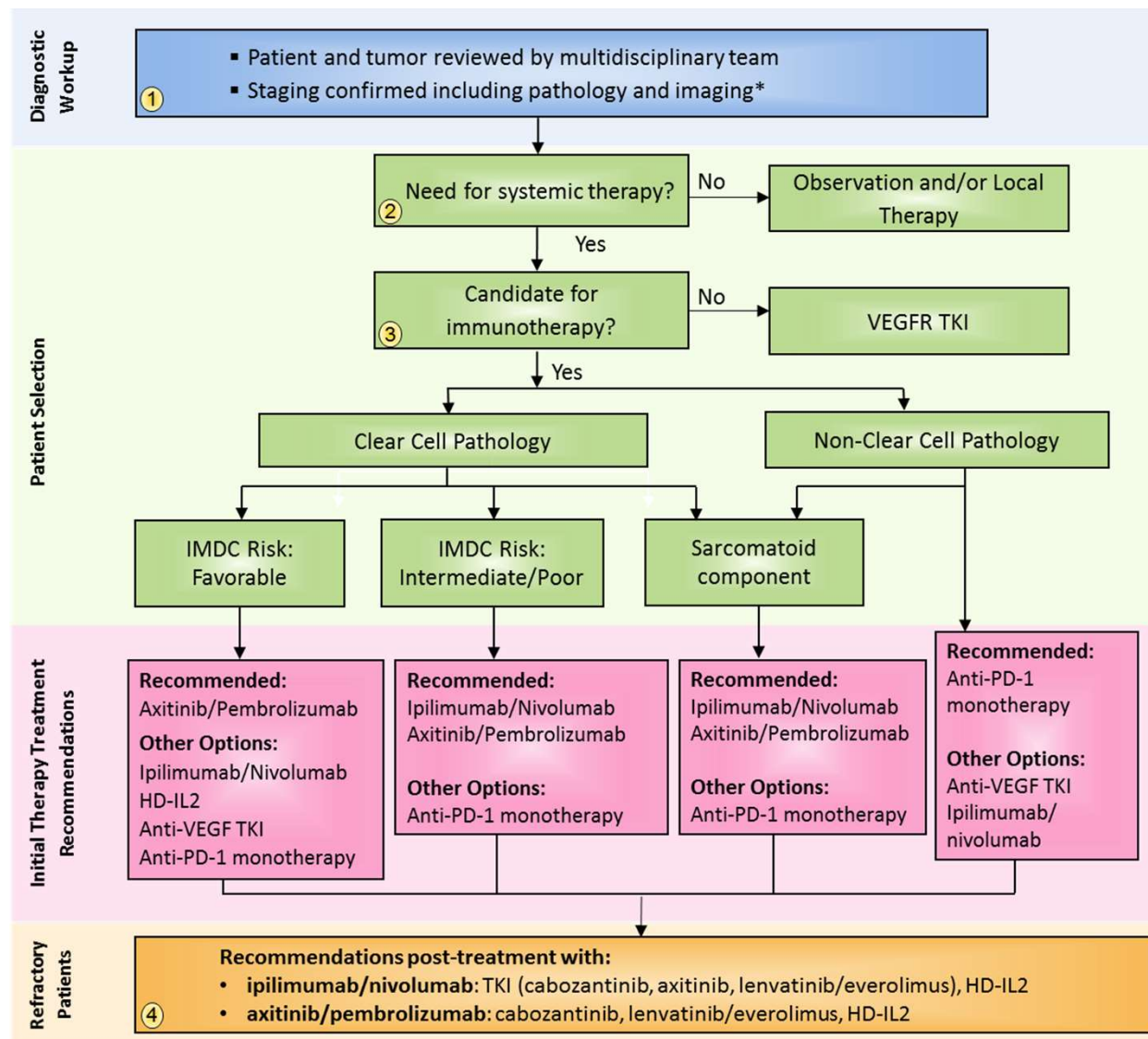
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# SITC Cancer Immunotherapy Guideline for advanced renal cell carcinoma

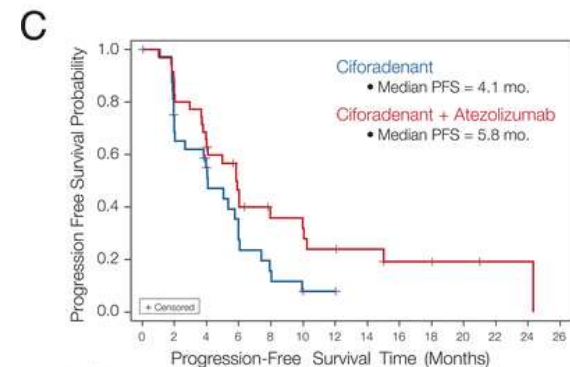


\*Baseline imaging recommendations discussed in figure legend.

Notes: 1) Clinical Trials are always an option for any patient, in any category. 2) This recommendation may change as data matures.

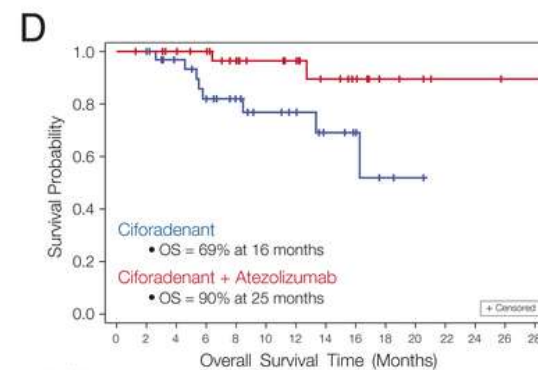
# In development: A2AR antagonist + anti-PD-L1

Treatment arm	N	ORR	6-month disease control
Ciforadenant	33	3%	Naïve: 0% Prior ICI: 25%
Ciforadenant + atezolizumab	35	11%	Naïve: 50% Prior ICI: 35%



N at Risk:

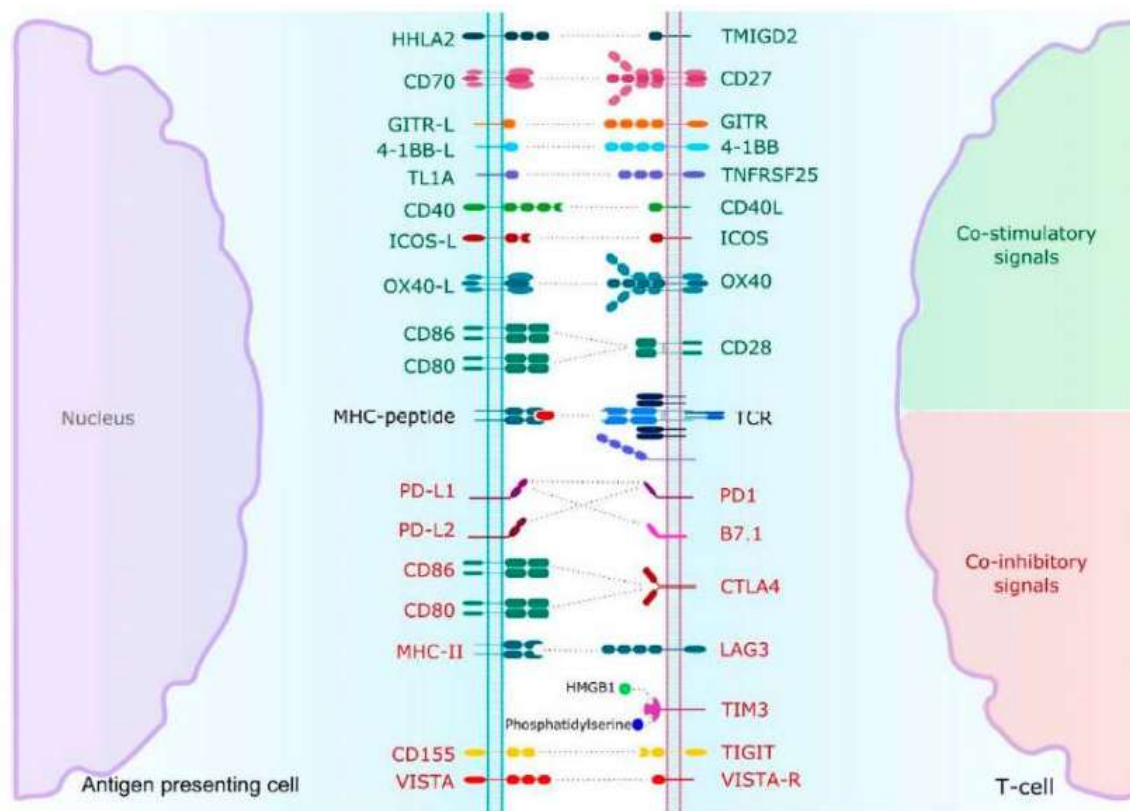
Ciforadenant	33	23	15	9	4	2	1	0
Ciforadenant + Atezolizumab	35	31	23	14	9	8	6	5



N at Risk:

Ciforadenant	33	33	27	22	17	13	11	7	5	2	1	0
Ciforadenant + Atezolizumab	35	34	32	30	25	19	17	12	9	5	4	2

# In development: additional immunotherapy approaches



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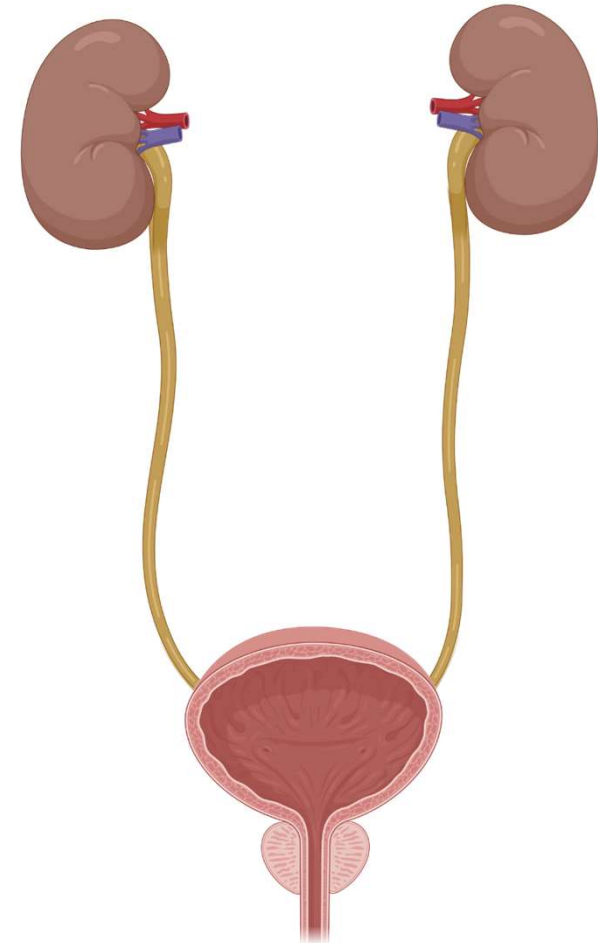
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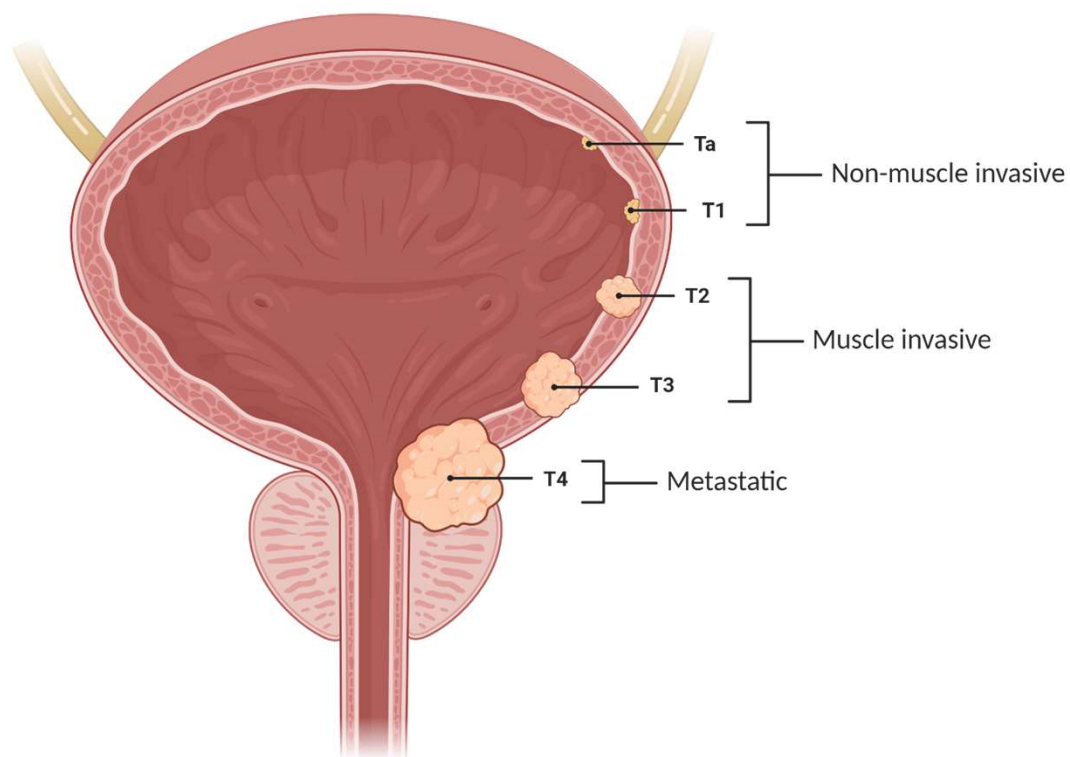
- A. Nivolumab – not approved as monotherapy
- B. Avelumab – not approved as monotherapy
- C. Radical nephrectomy, IVC thrombectomy – best choice in this patient
- D. Cisplatin, 5-FU chemotherapy – kidney cancer doesn't usually respond well to standard chemotherapy.

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# Urothelial carcinoma (UC)



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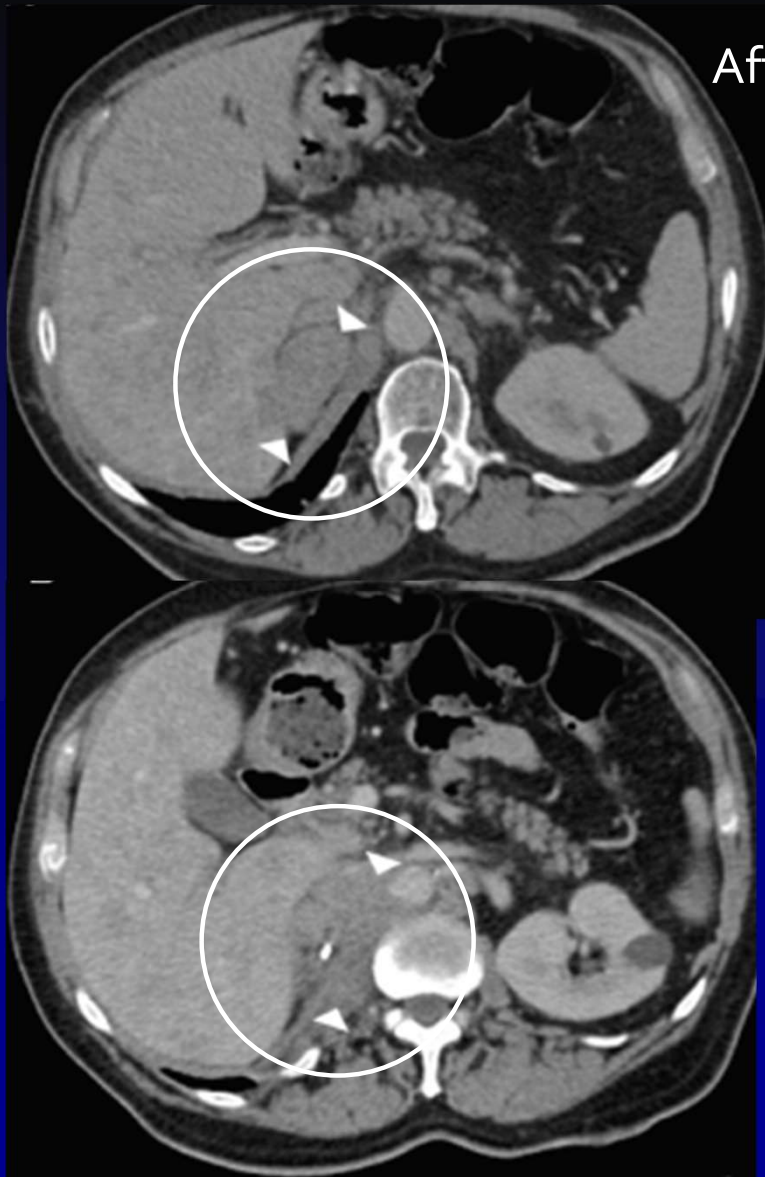


# Case Study

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- 67 y/o male, former smoker presents with gross hematuria
- Labs:
  - Increased alkaline phosphatase
  - Normal creatinine, GFR>60
- CT urogram...
  - Anterior bladder wall tumor
  - Multiple enlarged retroperitoneal nodes
  - Two vertebral metastases ( T10 and L2)
- TURBT: muscle-invasive bladder tumor
- Treatment: gemcitabine/cisplatin x 3 cycles...

After 3 cycles of gemcitabine + cisplatin



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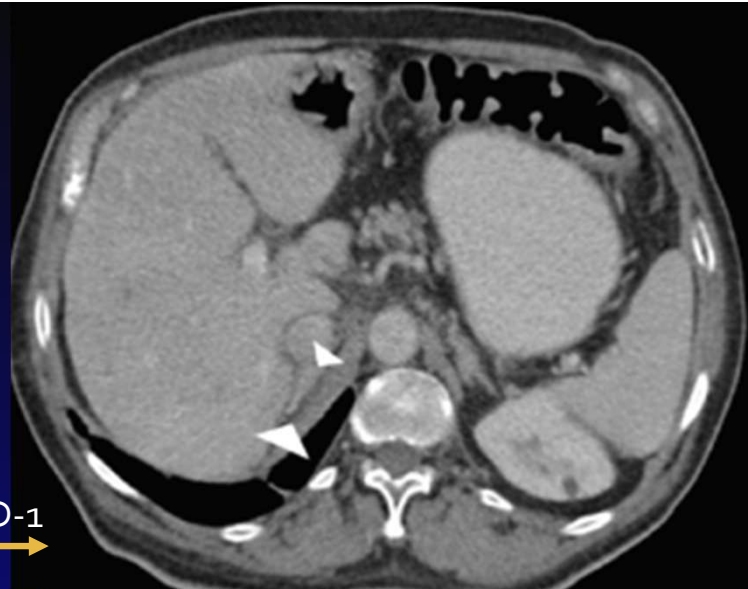
- 67 y/o male with metastatic urothelial cell carcinoma. Disease progression after 3 cycles of gemcitabine/cisplatin

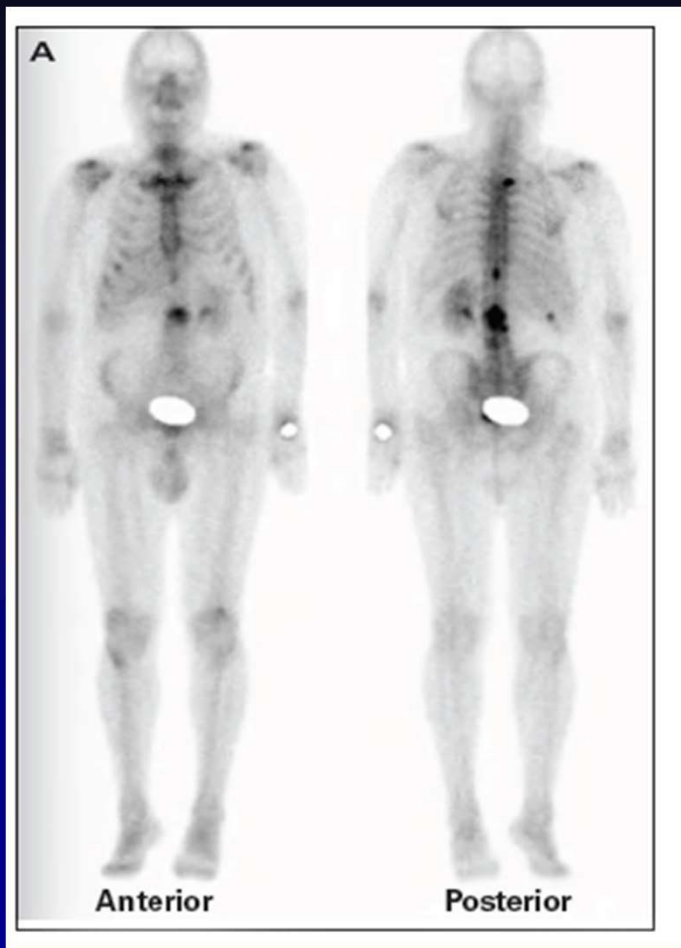
Question: What would you do?

- A. Salvage (taxane-based) chemotherapy
- B. Stereotactic ablative radiotherapy
- C. Ipilimumab – CTLA-4 inhibitor
- D. Pembrolizumab (anti-PD-1)

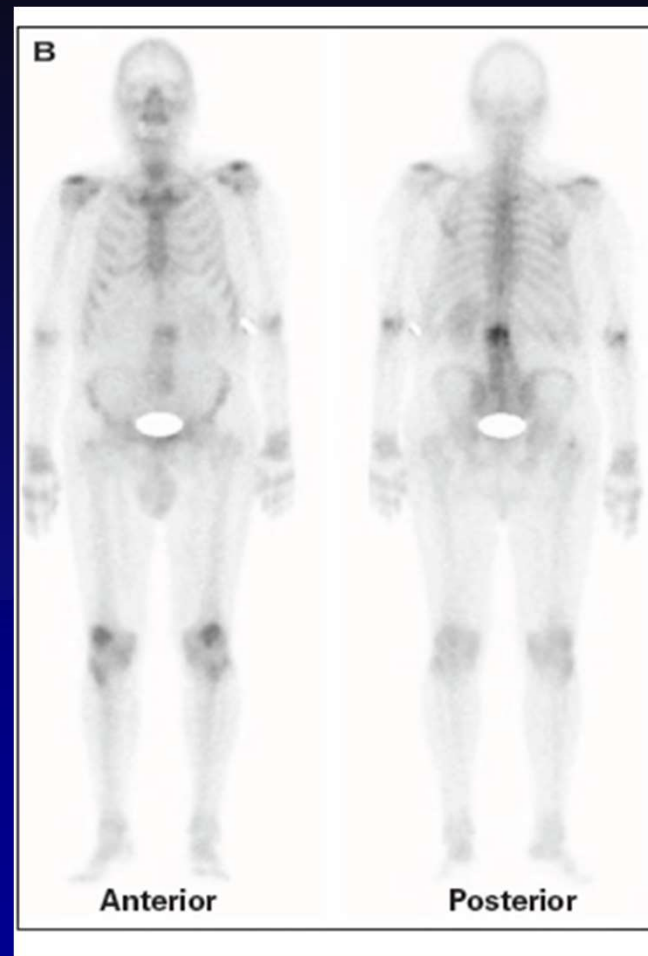


Anti-PD-1





Anti-PD-1



## Case Study

Question: What would you do?

- A. Salvage (taxane-based) chemotherapy – is an option for cisplatin-refractory disease but most would argue that IO is better choice
- B. Stereotactic ablative radiotherapy – would be good option for limited or solitary mets but patient has multiple sites of progression.
- C. Ipilimumab – CTLA-4 inhibitor – incorrect. not approved in this setting
- D. **Pembrolizumab (anti-PD-1)** – correct answer. Approved for cisplatin-refractory metastatic bladder cancer



# Approved checkpoint inhibitor for non-muscle invasive bladder cancer

Drug	Indication	Dose
Pembrolizumab	BCG-unresponsive, high-risk NMIBC, with or without papillary tumors and ineligible for cystectomy	200 mg Q3W or 400 mg Q6W

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	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	Advanced/metastatic UC	1200 mg Q3W
Avelumab	Advanced/metastatic UC	10 mg/kg Q2W
Durvalumab	Advanced/metastatic UC	10 mg/kg Q2W
Nivolumab	Advanced/metastatic UC	240 mg Q2W or 480 mg Q4W
Pembrolizumab	Advanced/metastatic UC	200 mg Q3W or 400 mg Q6W

# Approved checkpoint inhibitors for mUC – *cisplatin ineligible*

Drug	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	Advanced/metastatic UC (PD-L1 $\geq 5\%$ )	1200 mg Q3W
Pembrolizumab	Advanced/metastatic UC (PD-L1 CPS $\geq 10$ )	200 mg Q3W or 400 mg Q6W

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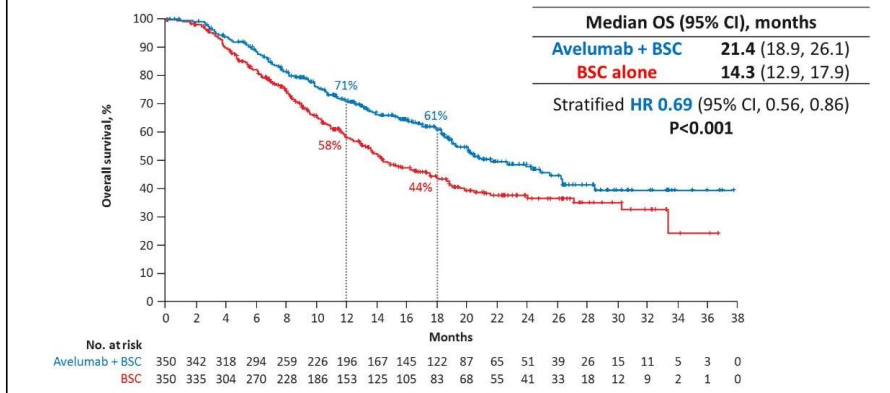
## FDA limits the use of atezolizumab and pembrolizumab for some urothelial cancer patients

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

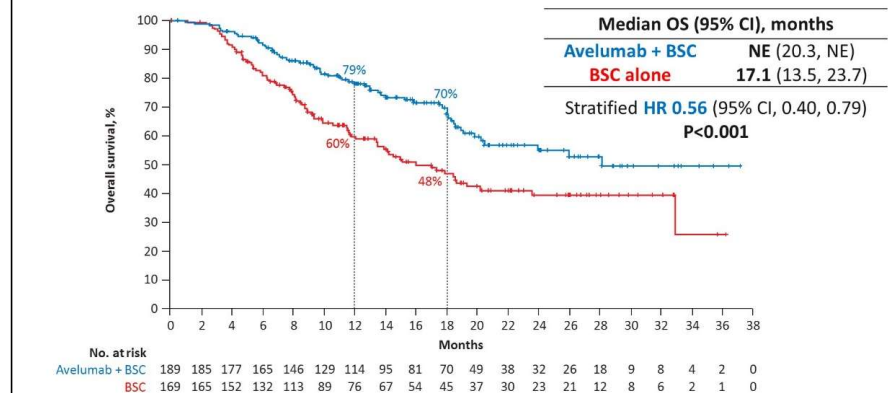
# Approved checkpoint inhibitor for maintenance treatment

Drug	Indication	Dose
Avelumab	Maintenance of locally advanced/metastatic UC without progression on first-line Pt chemotherapy	800 mg Q2W

OS in the overall population



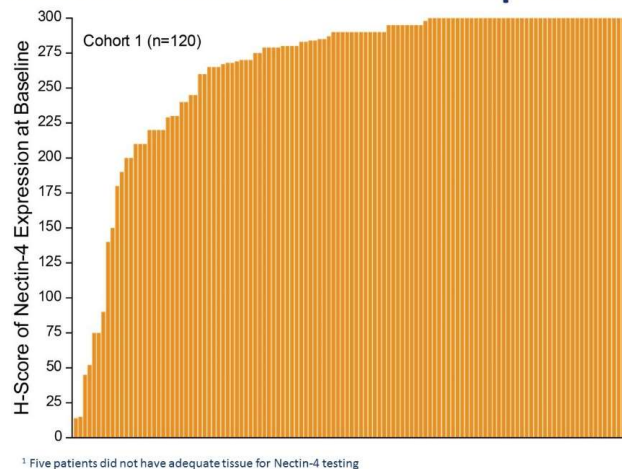
OS in the PD-L1+ population



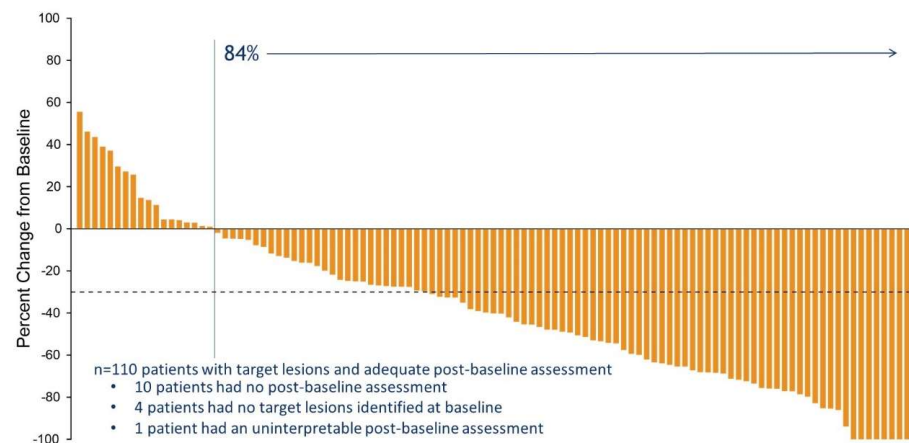
# Approved antibody-drug conjugate for mUC

Drug	Indication	Dose
Enfortumab vedotin	Locally advanced/metastatic UC with <b>previous <math>\alpha</math>PD-1/PD-L1</b> 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

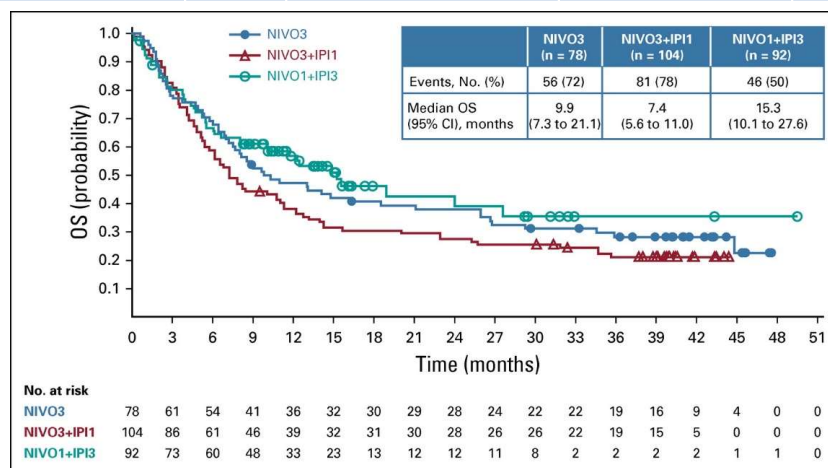


## EV-201: Cohort 1 Change in Tumor Measurements per BICR



# In development: Ipilimumab + Nivolumab CheckMate 032

Treatment arm	n	ORR	Median PFS	Median OS	Grade 3-4 TRAEs
Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q3W	78	ITT: 25.6% PD-L1+: 26.9%	2.8 months	9.9 months	26.9%
Nivolumab 3 mg/kg + ipilimumab 1 mg/kg	104	ITT: 26.9% PD-L1+: 35.5%	2.6 months	7.4 months	30.8%
Nivolumab 1 mg/kg + ipilimumab 3 mg/kg	92	ITT: 38.0% PD-L1+: 58.1%	4.9 months	15.3 months	39.1%



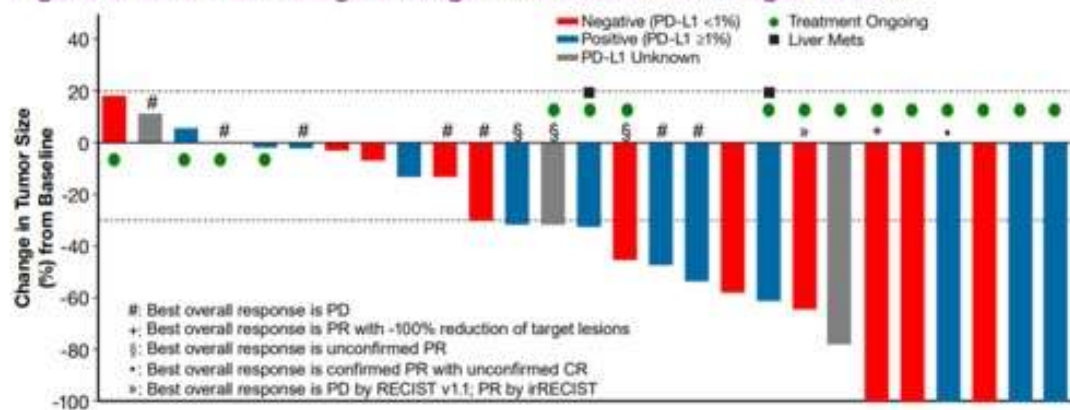
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# In development: NKTR-214 + nivolumab

Treatment	n	ORR
NKTR-214 + nivolumab	27	48%

After treatment, 70% of patients with PD-L1-negative tumors converted to PD-L1-positive.

Figure 2. Best Percentage Change from Baseline in Target Lesions



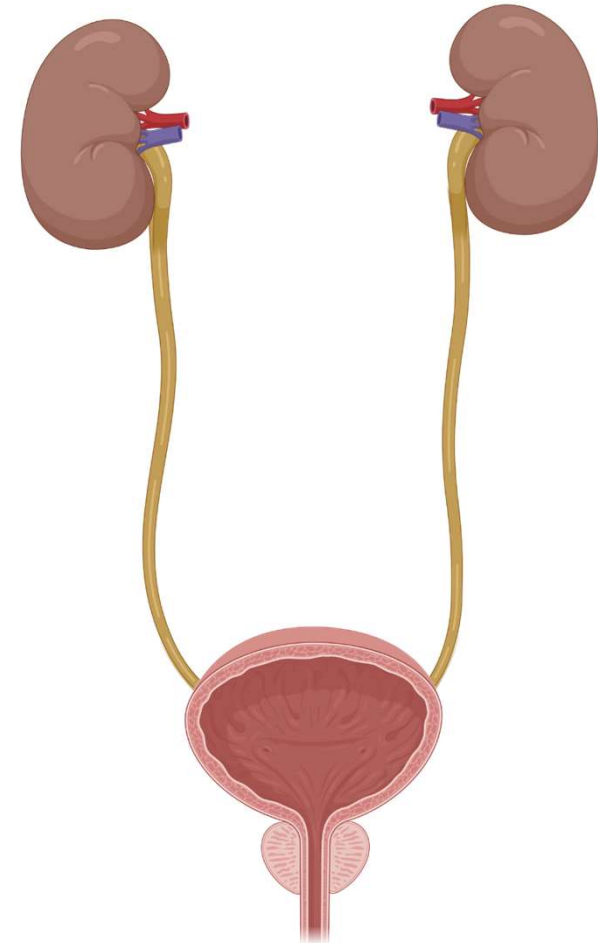
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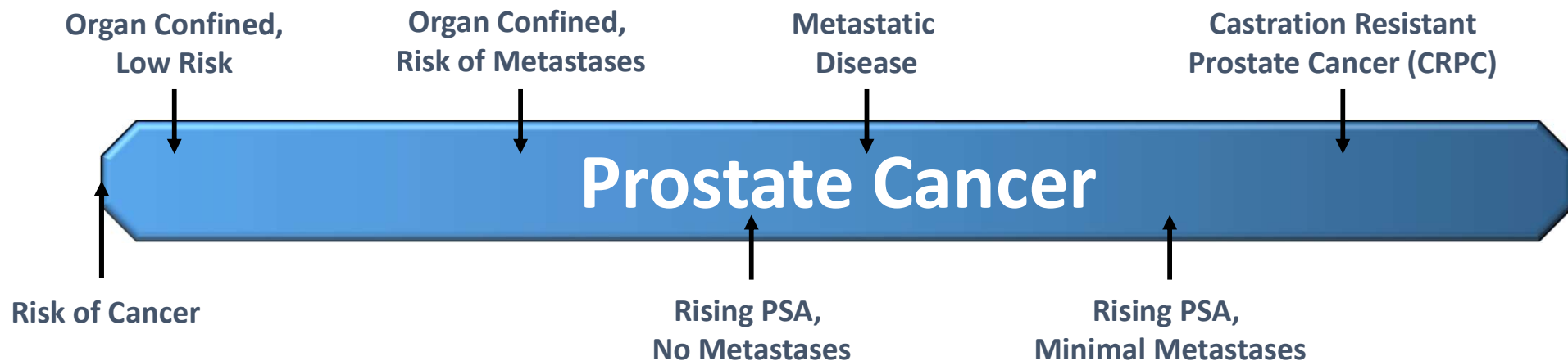
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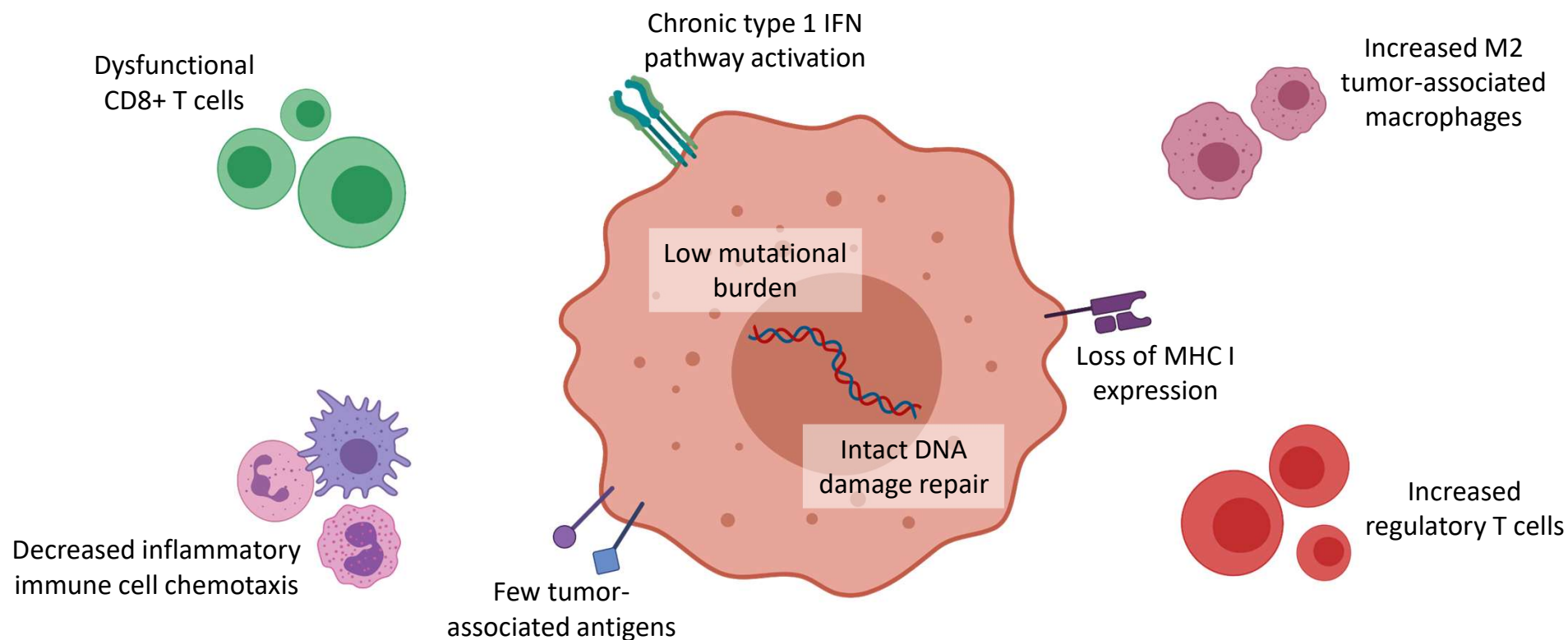


# The Spectrum of Prostate Cancer





# Immunology of prostate cancer



# Immunotherapy landscape in prostate cancer

Trial	Treatment	Population	Key results
KEYNOTE-199	Pembrolizumab	RECIST-measurable PD-L1+ mCRPC	ORR: 5%
		RECIST-measurable PD-L1- mCRPC	ORR: 3%
		RECIST nonmeasurable mCRPC	DCR: 37%
KEYNOTE-365	Pembrolizumab + enzalutamide	Progression on previous hormonal and chemotherapies	PSA response rate: 21.8% Median OS: 20.4 months
	Pembrolizumab + olaparib		PSA response rate: 13% Median OS: 14 months
IMbassador250	Atezolizumab + enzalutamide	Progression on previous hormonal and chemotherapies	Median OS: 15.2 vs 16.6 months
	Enzalutamide		

De Bono, ASCO 2018; Yu, AUA 2020; Sweeney, AACR 2020.

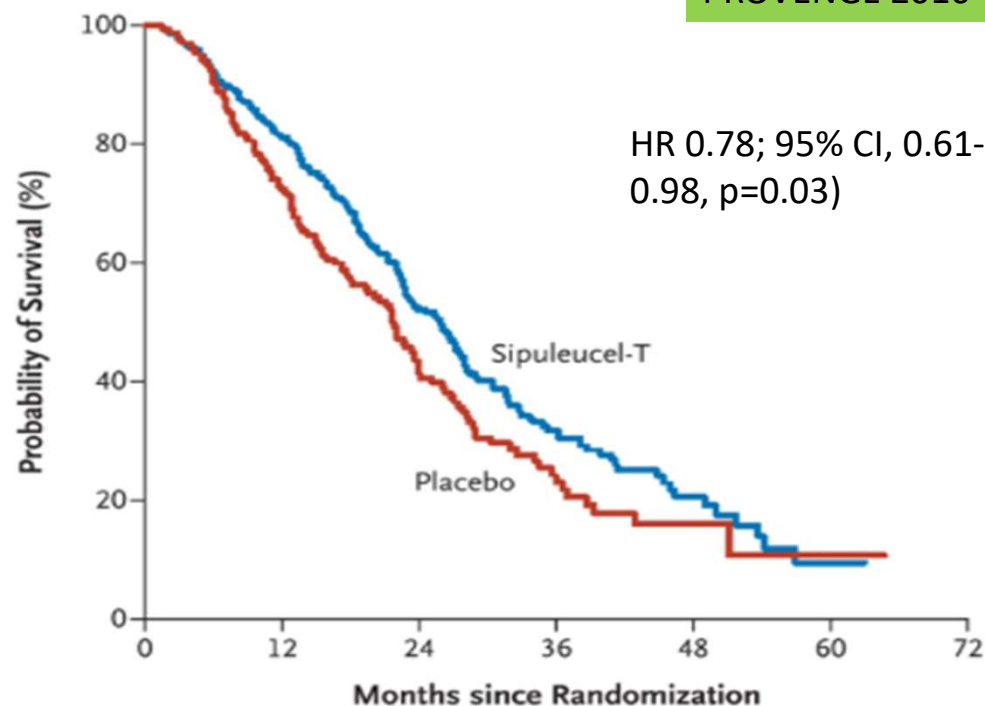
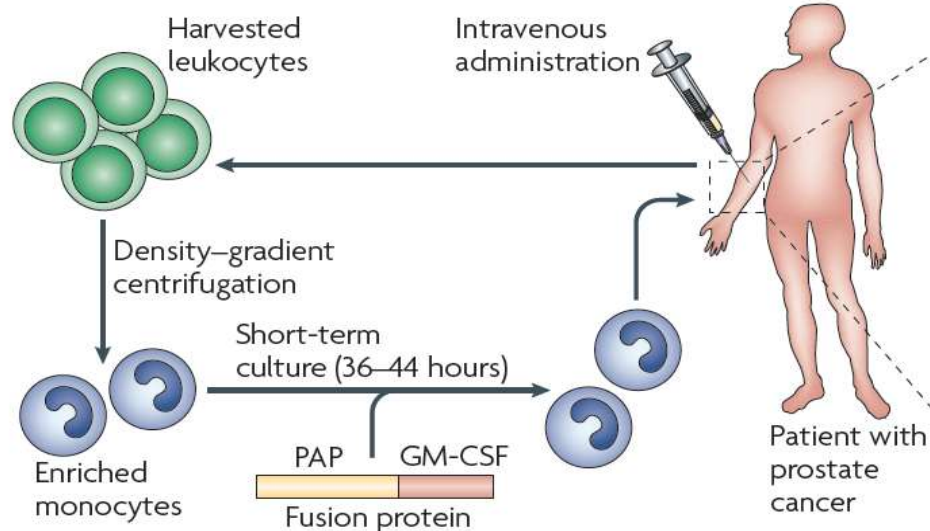
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# Sipuleucel-T in mCRPC

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## First anti-cancer therapeutic vaccine



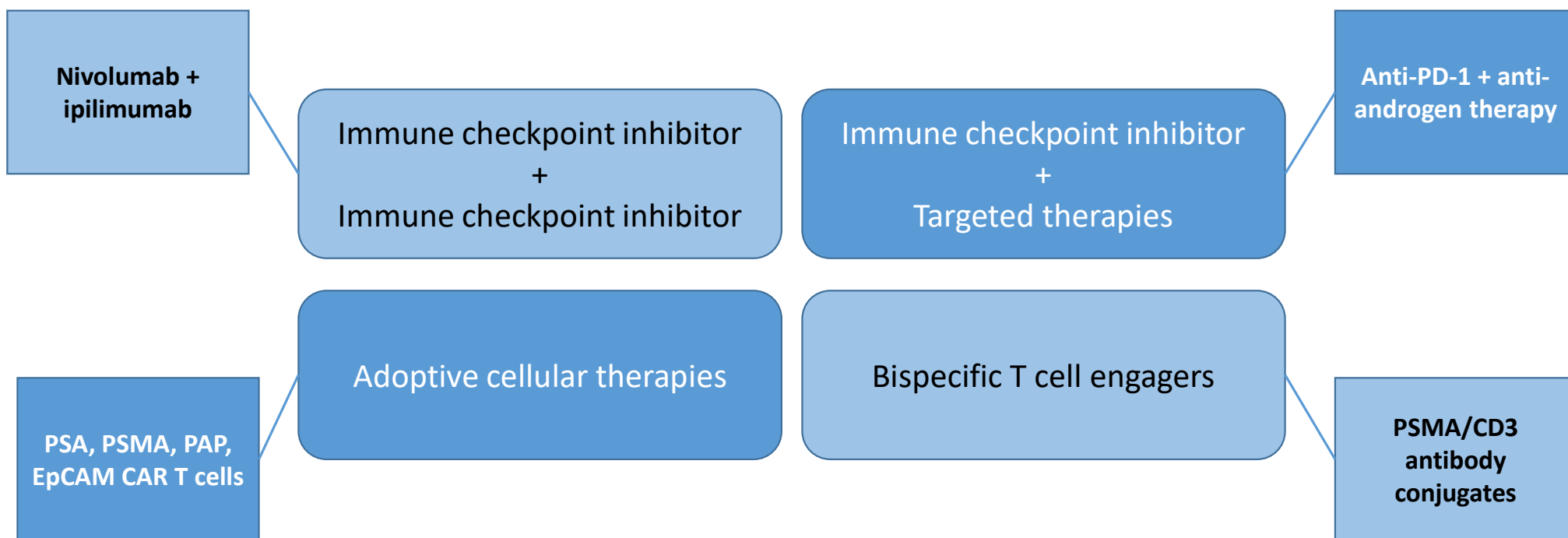
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# Future directions for prostate cancer immunotherapy



# In development: nivolumab + ipilimumab in mCRPC

Trial	Treatment	Population	ORR	Median OS
CheckMate 650	Nivolumab + ipilimumab, then nivolumab maintenance	Progression on hormonal therapy, no chemotherapy	25%	19 months
		Progression on chemotherapy	10%	15.2 months

- Higher ORR in:
  - PD-L1 > 1%
  - DNA damage repair deficient
  - homologous recombination deficiency
  - high tumor mutational burden

# 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, as well as other settings in UC
- Low immune engagement in prostate cancer has limited the application of immunotherapy in this disease

# Additional Resources

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