



IO-IO COMBINATIONS: CTLA4/PD-1 combinations

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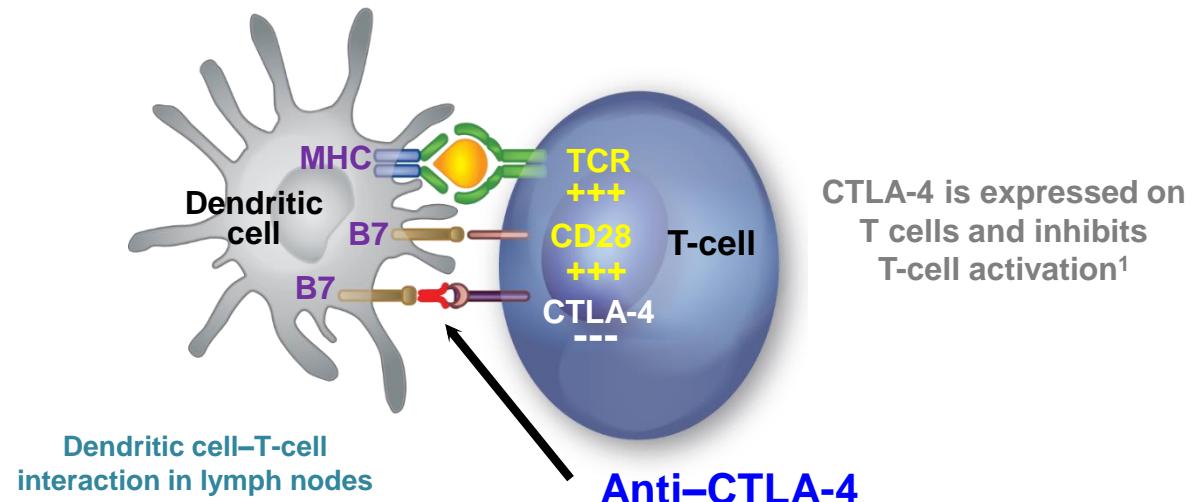
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PD-1 and CTLA-4 Mechanisms of Action: Distinct but Complementary

anti-CTLA-4

- **Induces *de novo* anti-tumor T-cell responses^{1,2}**

- Enables adaptation to evolving tumor^{2,3}
- Promotes emergence of memory T cells⁴
- Causes compensatory increase in tumor PD-L1²

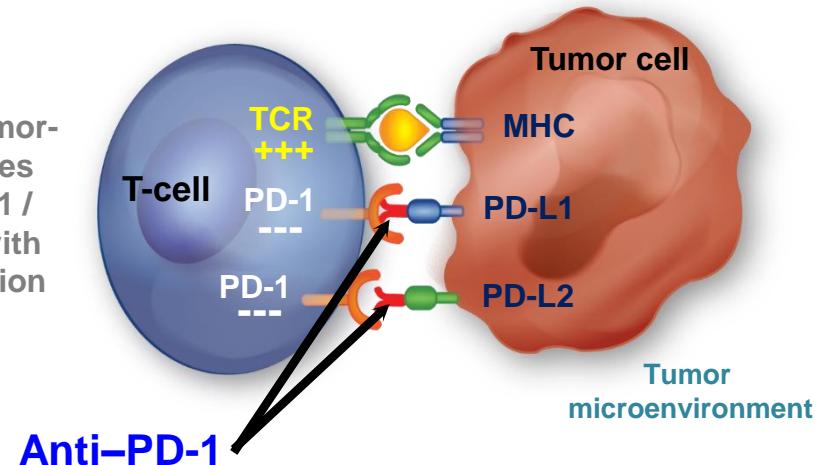


anti-PD-1

- **Restores anti-tumor T-cell function^{5,6}**

- Enhances pre-existing T-cell response⁵
- Increases cytokine production⁷

PD-1 expression on tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes interacting with PD-L1 / PD-L2 is associated with reduced effector function



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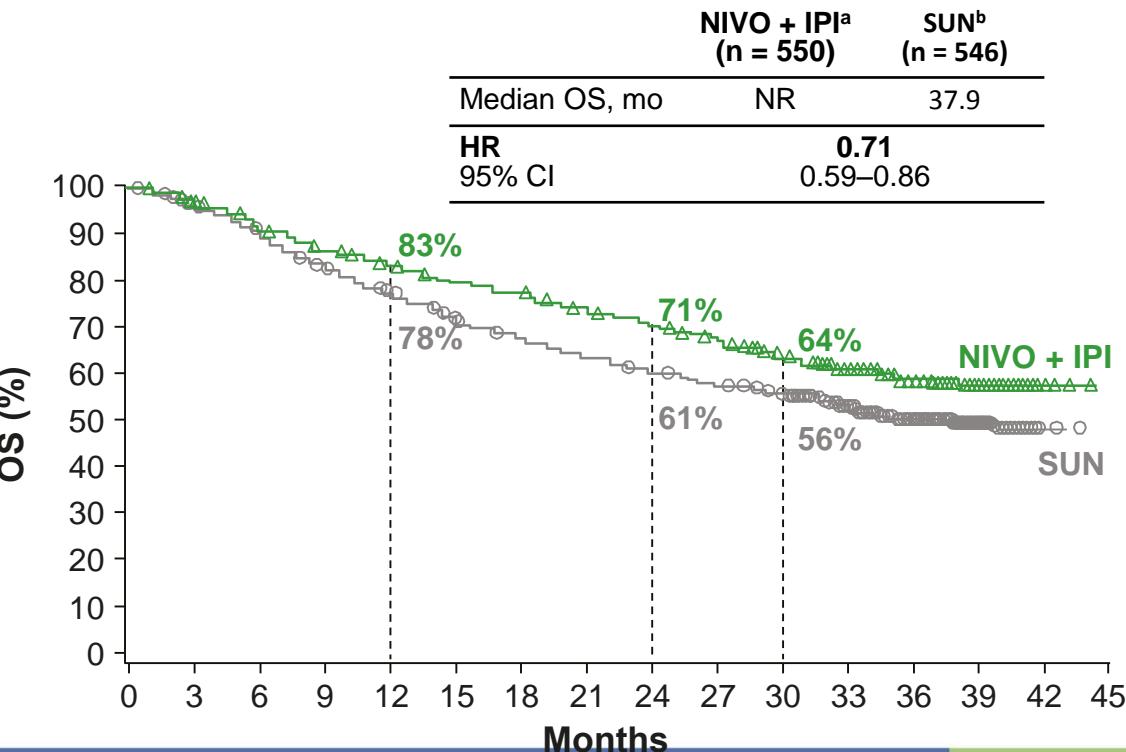
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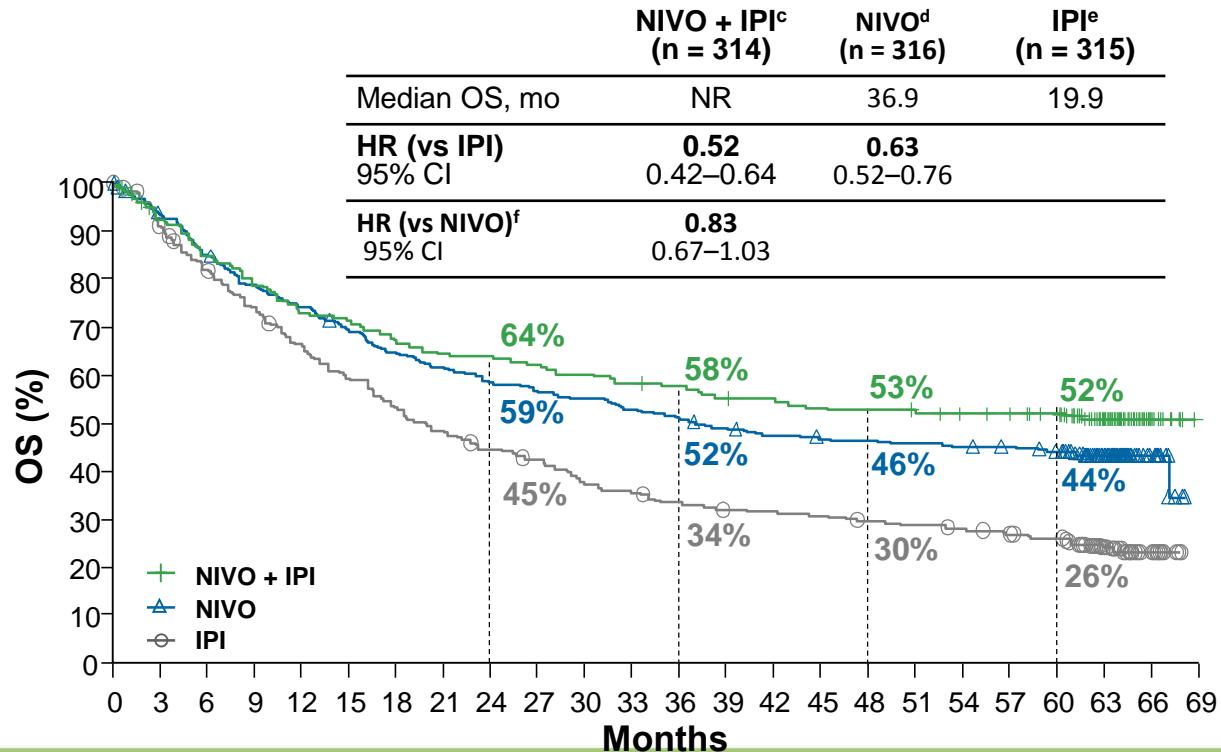
PD-1 and CTLA-4 Activity in Other Diseases

- Nivolumab + ipilimumab (NIVO + IPI) demonstrated improved survival in phase 3 studies in RCC and melanoma^{1,2}

RCC: CheckMate 214 (30-mo update)¹



Melanoma: CheckMate 067 (5-y update)²

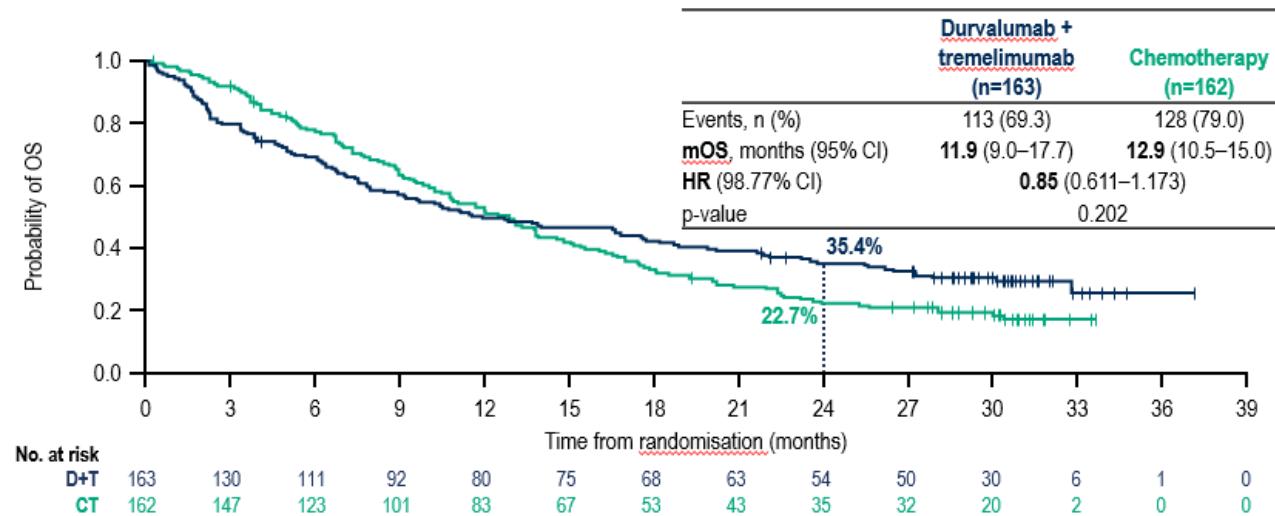


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^aNIVO (3 mg/kg Q3W) + IPI (1 mg/kg Q3W); ^bSunitinib 50 mg QD; ^cNIVO (1 mg/kg Q3W) + IPI (3 mg/kg Q3W); ^dNIVO (3 mg/kg Q2W); ^eIPI (3 mg/kg Q3W); ^fDescriptive analysis.
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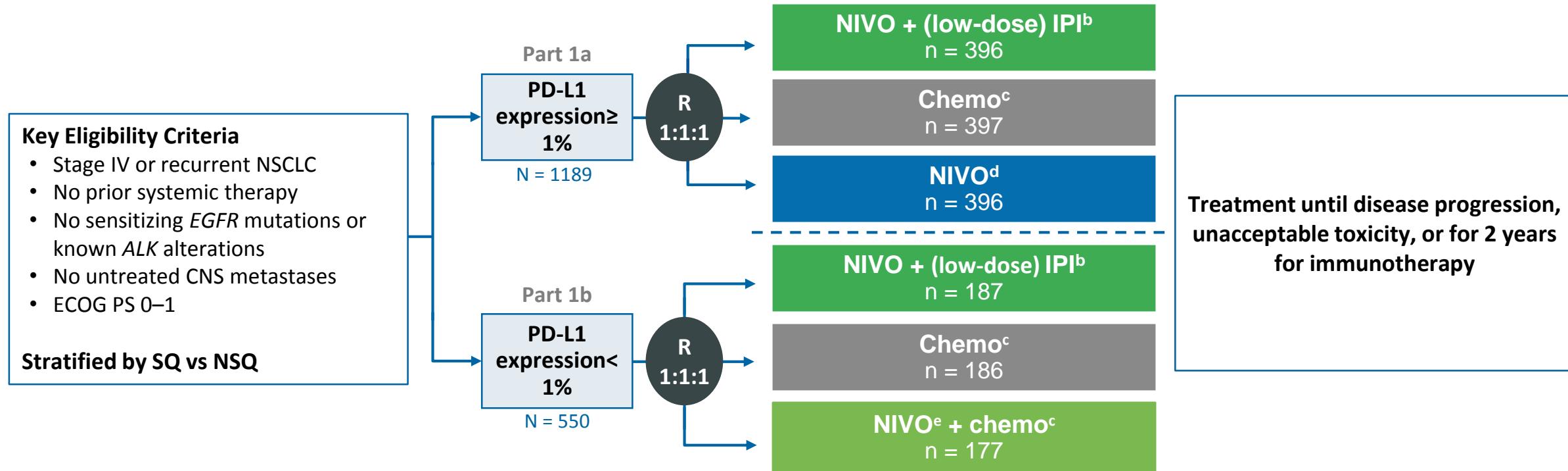
CTLA-4 and PD-1 Pathway Blockade in NSCLC – Mixed Results

- Durvalumab and Tremelimumab did not show a survival advantage over chemotherapy in the MYSTIC study in PD-L1 positive disease.



- NIVO + IPI showed promising activity in earlier studies where the IPI dose and schedule (1 mg/kg Q6W) were optimized for NSCLC patients; safety profile was manageable^{1–3}

CheckMate 227 Part 1 Study Design



Independent co-primary endpoints: NIVO + IPI vs chemo

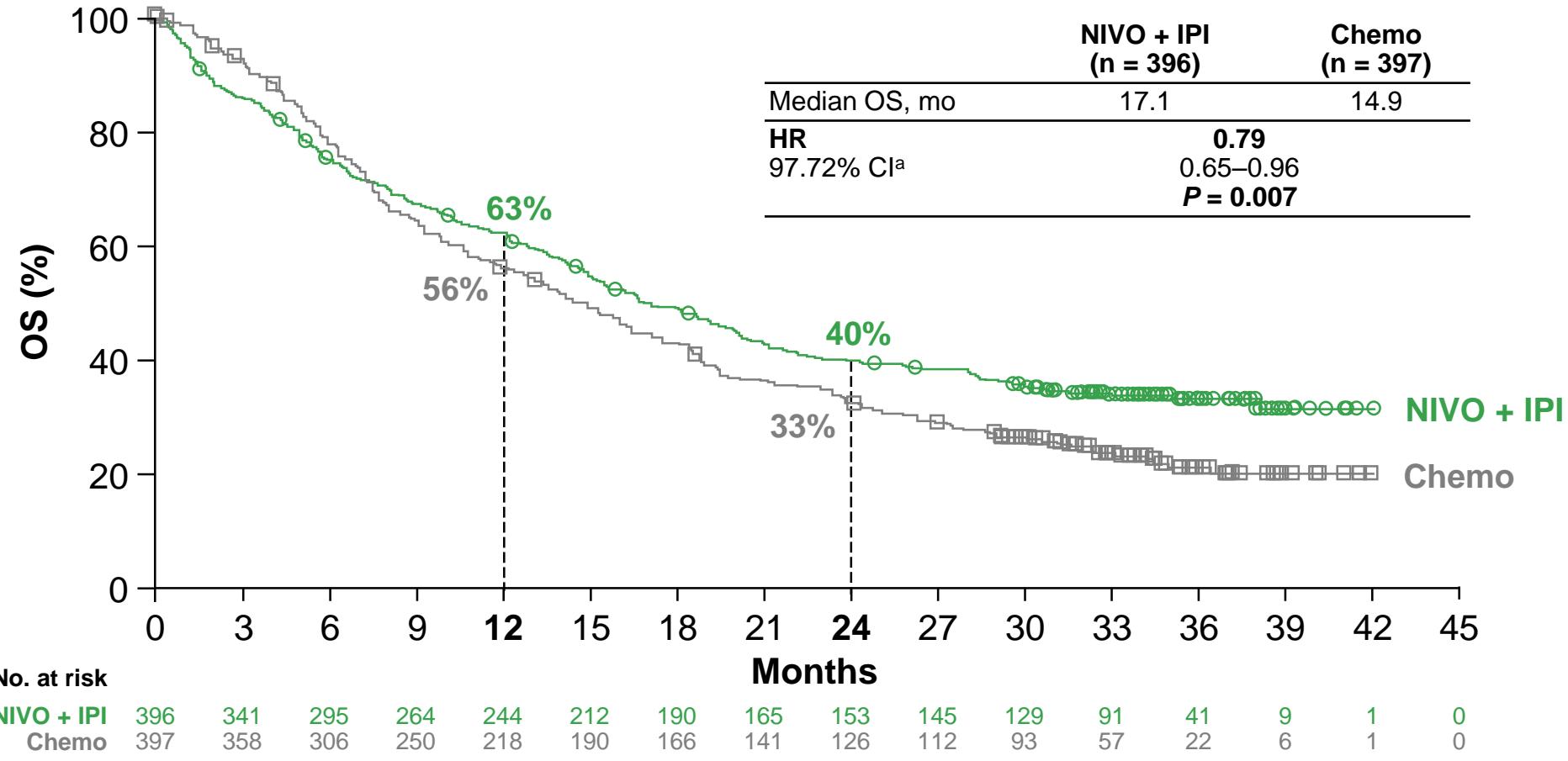
- PFS in high TMB (≥ 10 mut/Mb) population^f
- OS in PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$ population^g

Secondary endpoints (PD-L1 hierarchy):

- PFS: **NIVO + chemo vs chemo** in PD-L1 < 1%
- OS: **NIVO + chemo vs chemo** in PD-L1 < 1%
- OS: **NIVO vs chemo** in PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$

Primary Endpoint: OS With NIVO + IPI vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression $\geq 1\%$

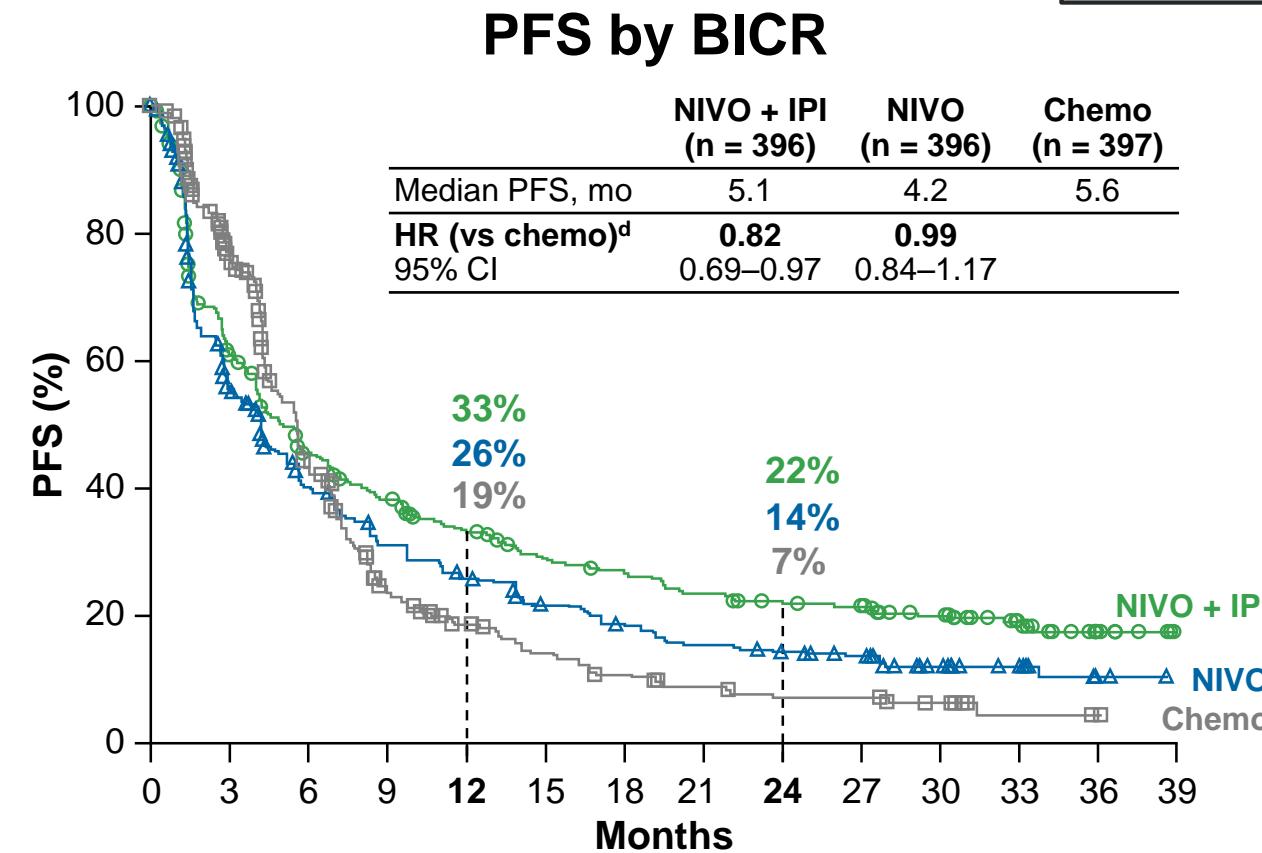
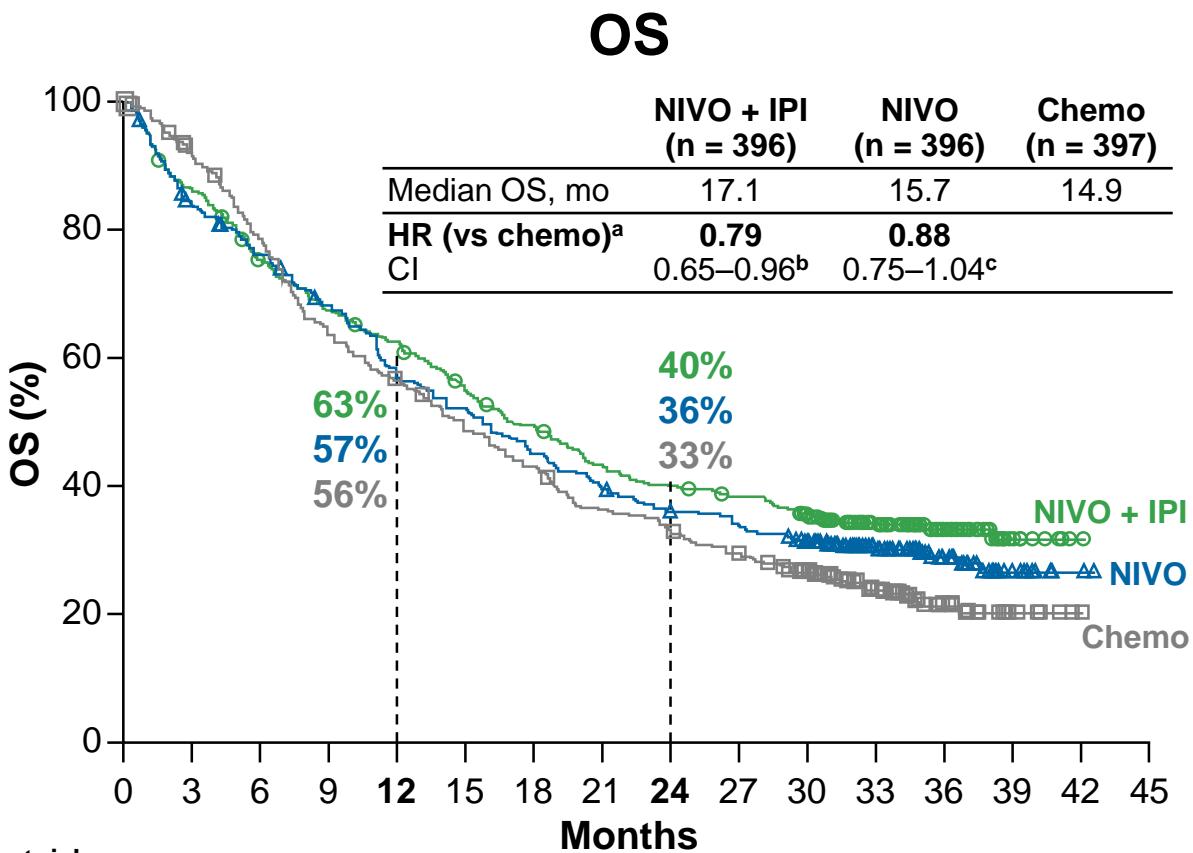
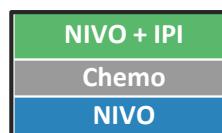
Part 1a



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OS and PFS With NIVO + IPI vs NIVO vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression $\geq 1\%$

Part 1a

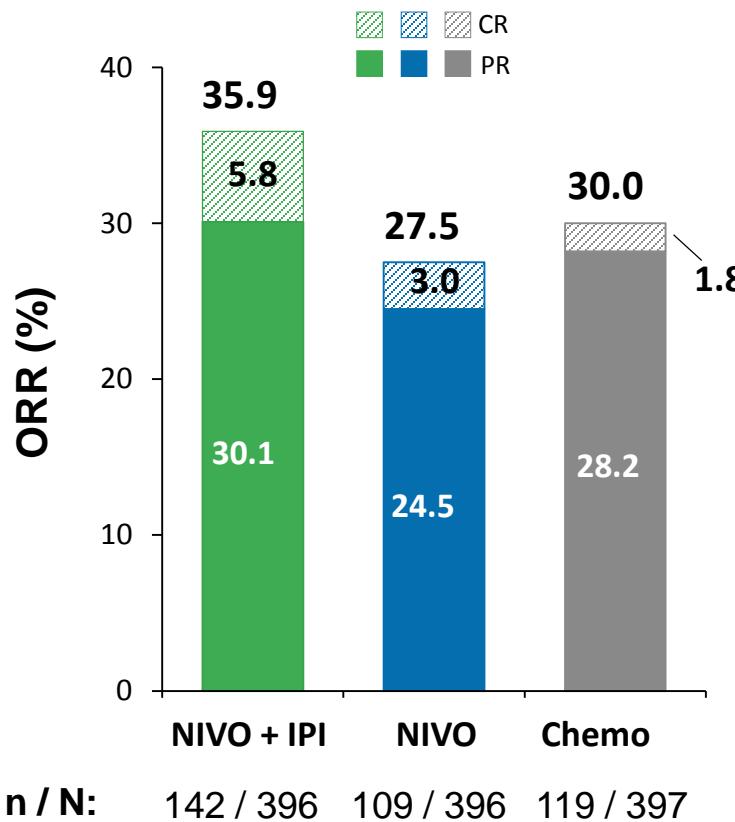


ORR and DOR for NIVO + IPI and NIVO vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression $\geq 1\%$

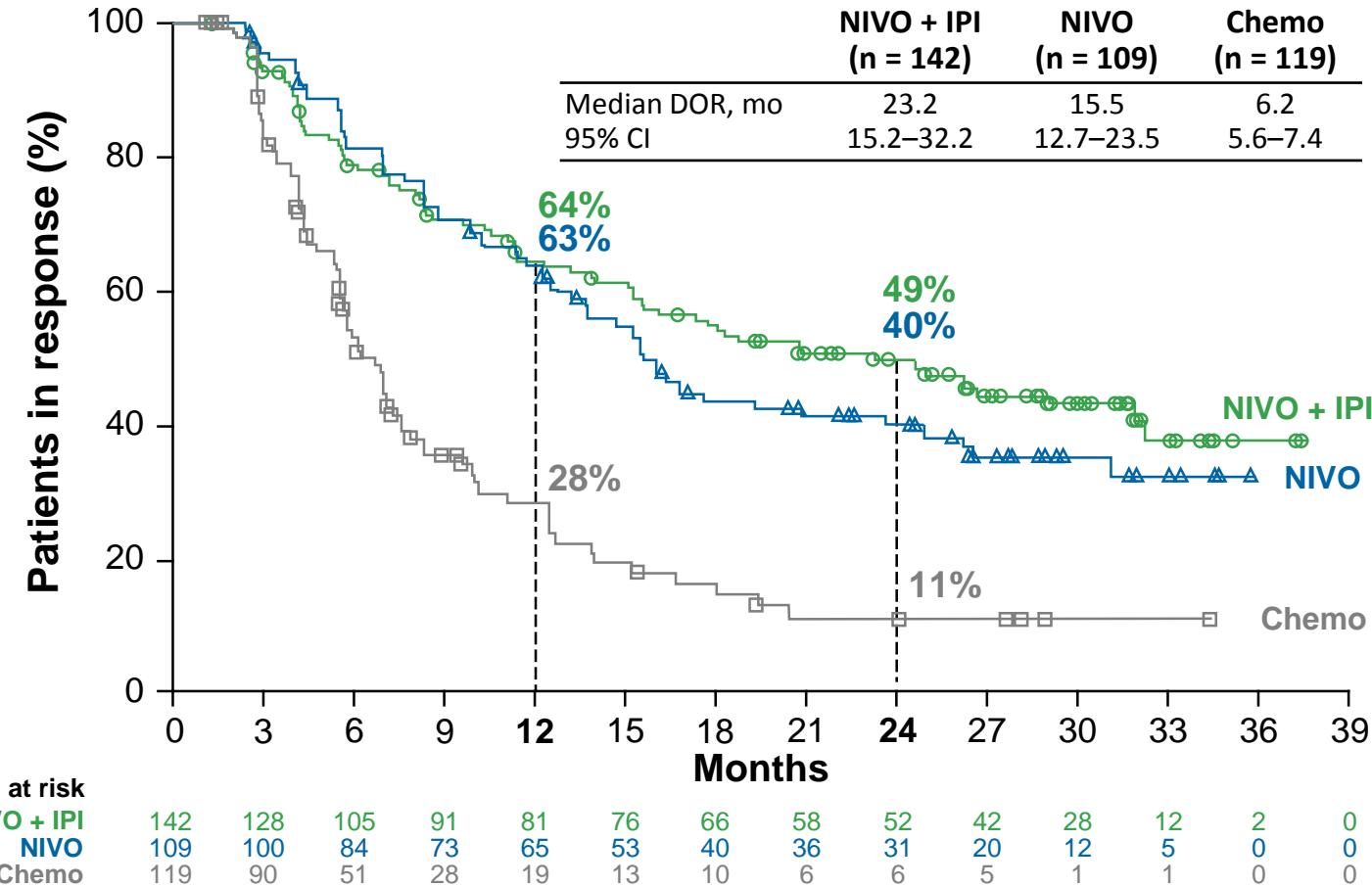
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NIVO + IPI
Chemo
NIVO

ORR by BICR

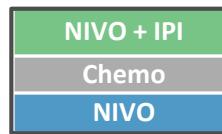


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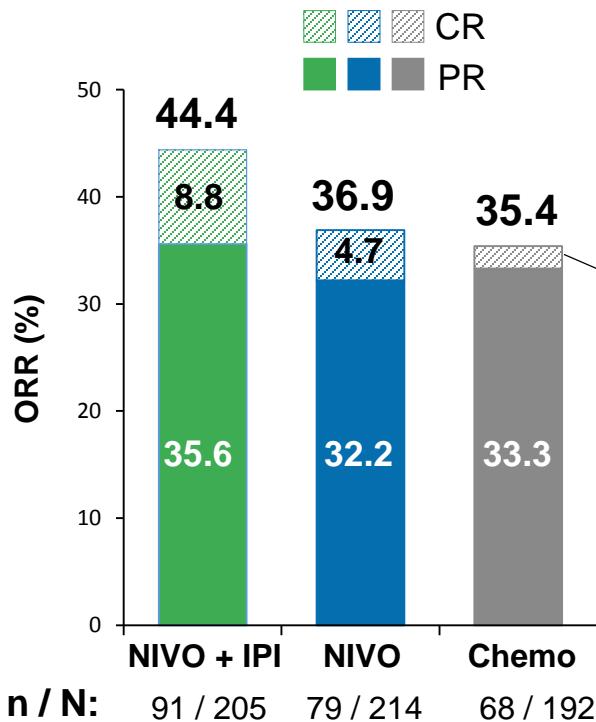


Efficacy With NIVO + IPI and NIVO vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression \geq 50%

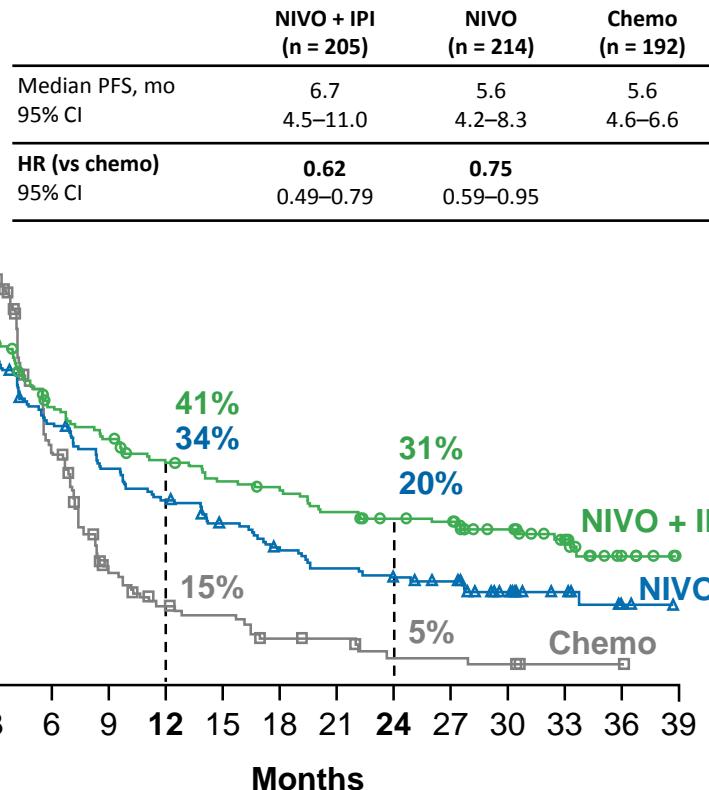
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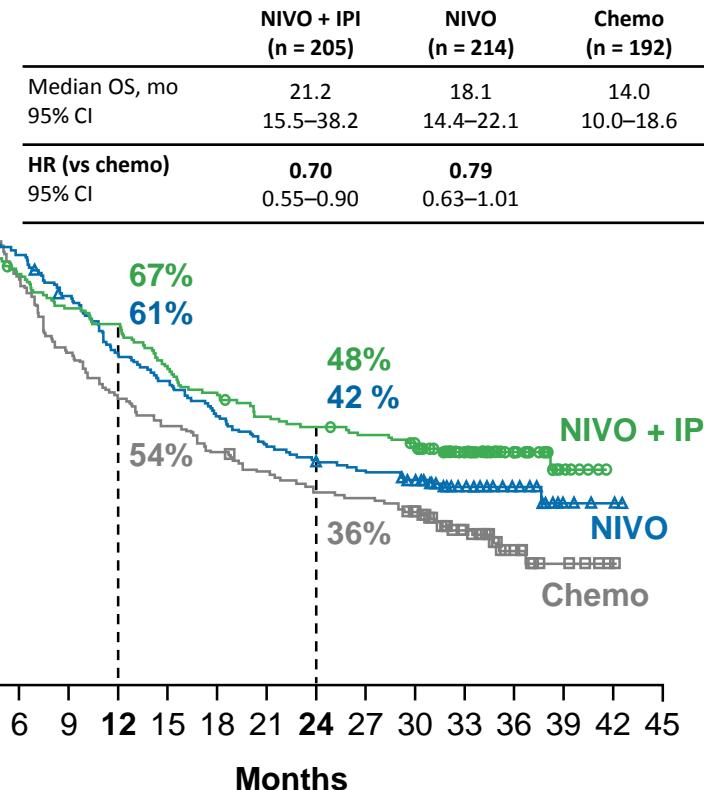
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PFS by BICR



OS

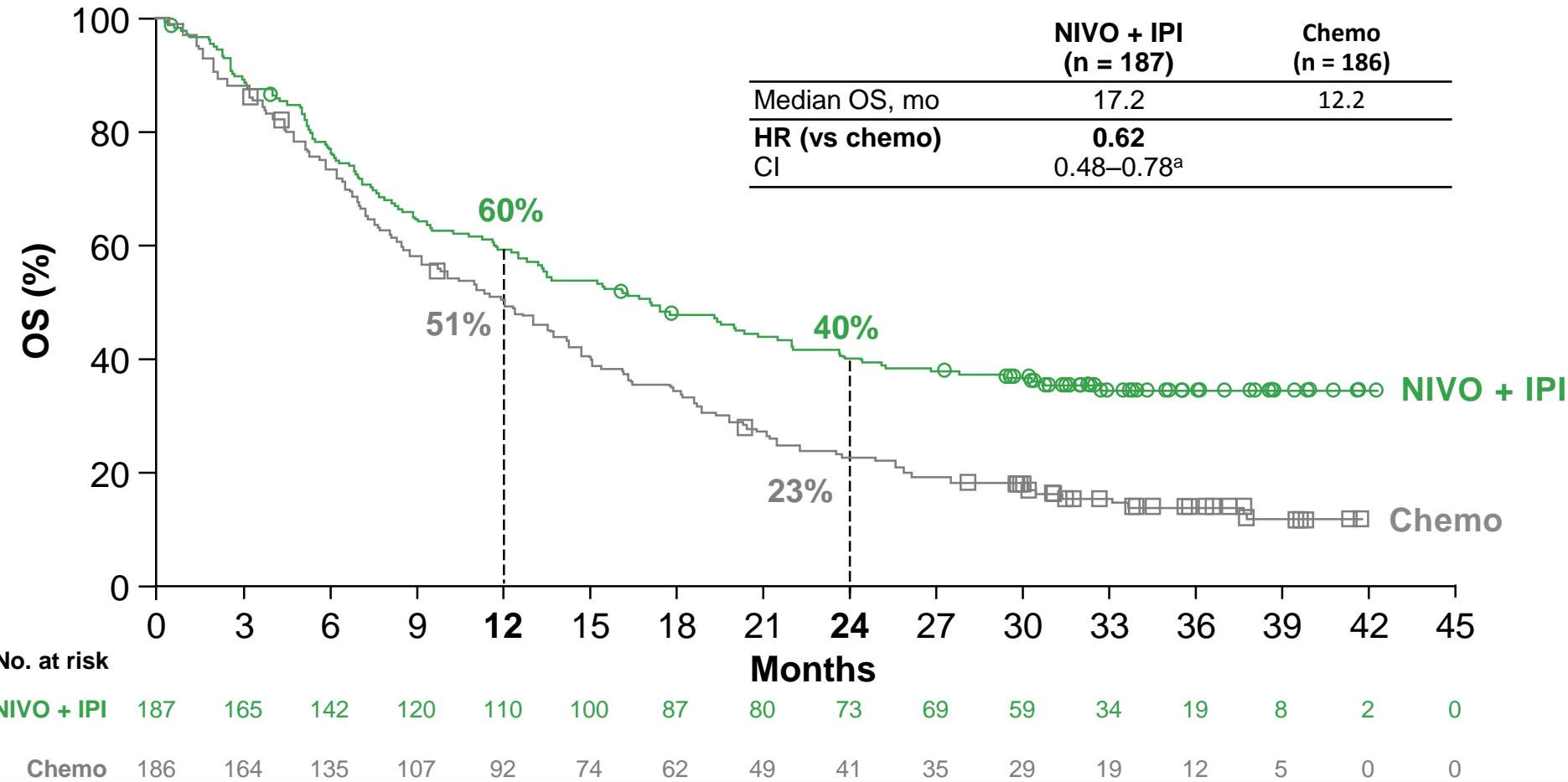


- Median DOR with NIVO + IPI, NIVO and chemo was 31.8, 17.5 and 5.8 months, respectively

OS With NIVO + IPI vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression < 1%

Part 1b

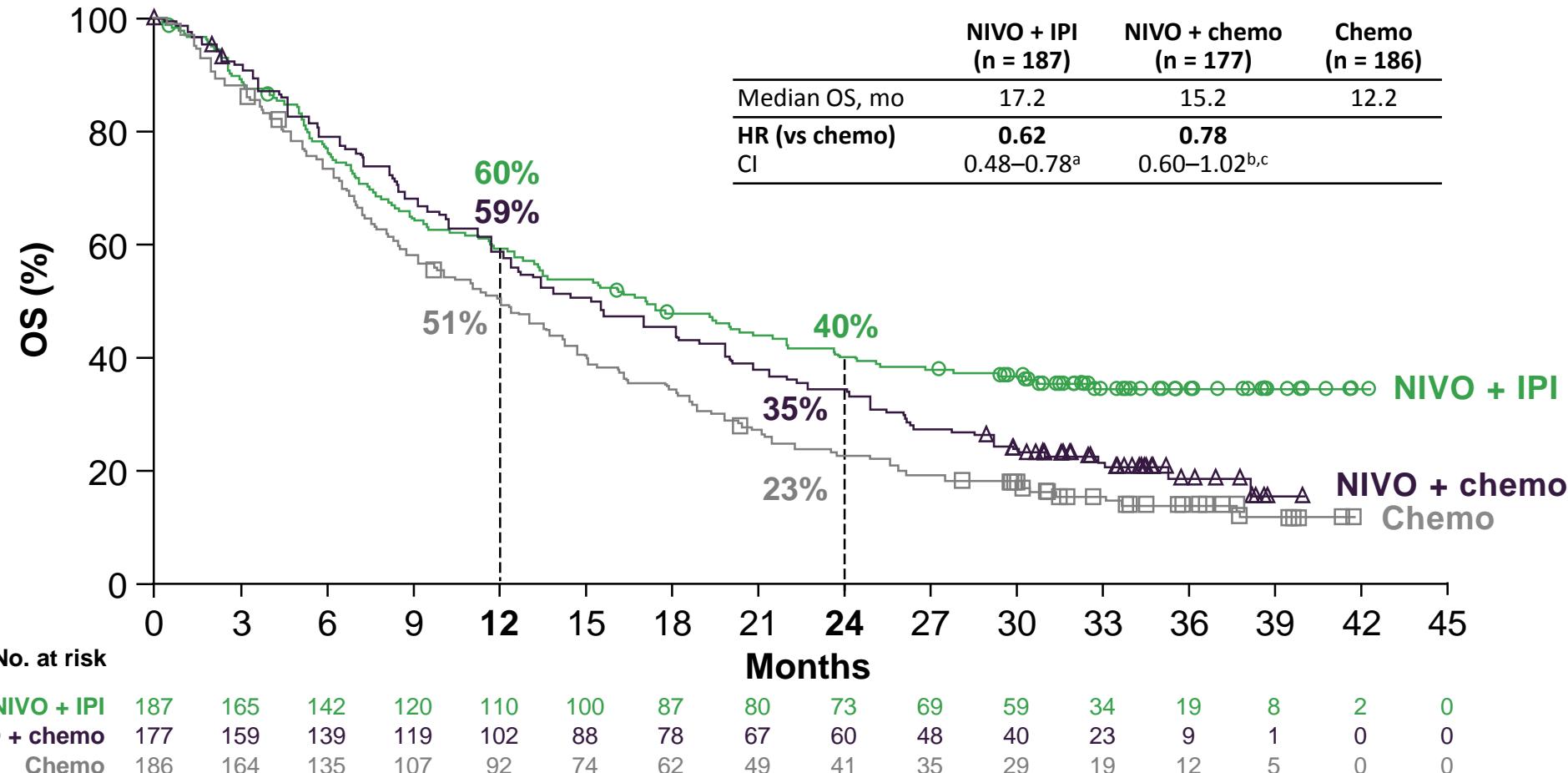
NIVO + IPI
Chemo
NIVO + chemo



OS With NIVO + IPI and NIVO + Chemo vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression < 1%

Part 1b

NIVO + IPI
Chemo
NIVO + chemo

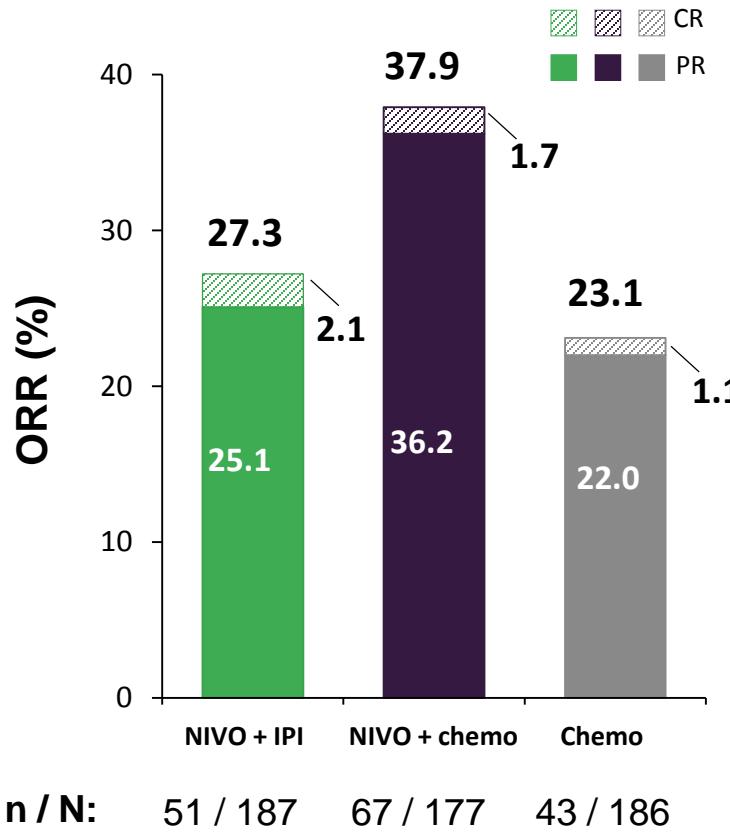


ORR and DOR for NIVO + IPI and NIVO + Chemo vs Chemo in Patients With Tumor: PD-L1 Expression < 1%

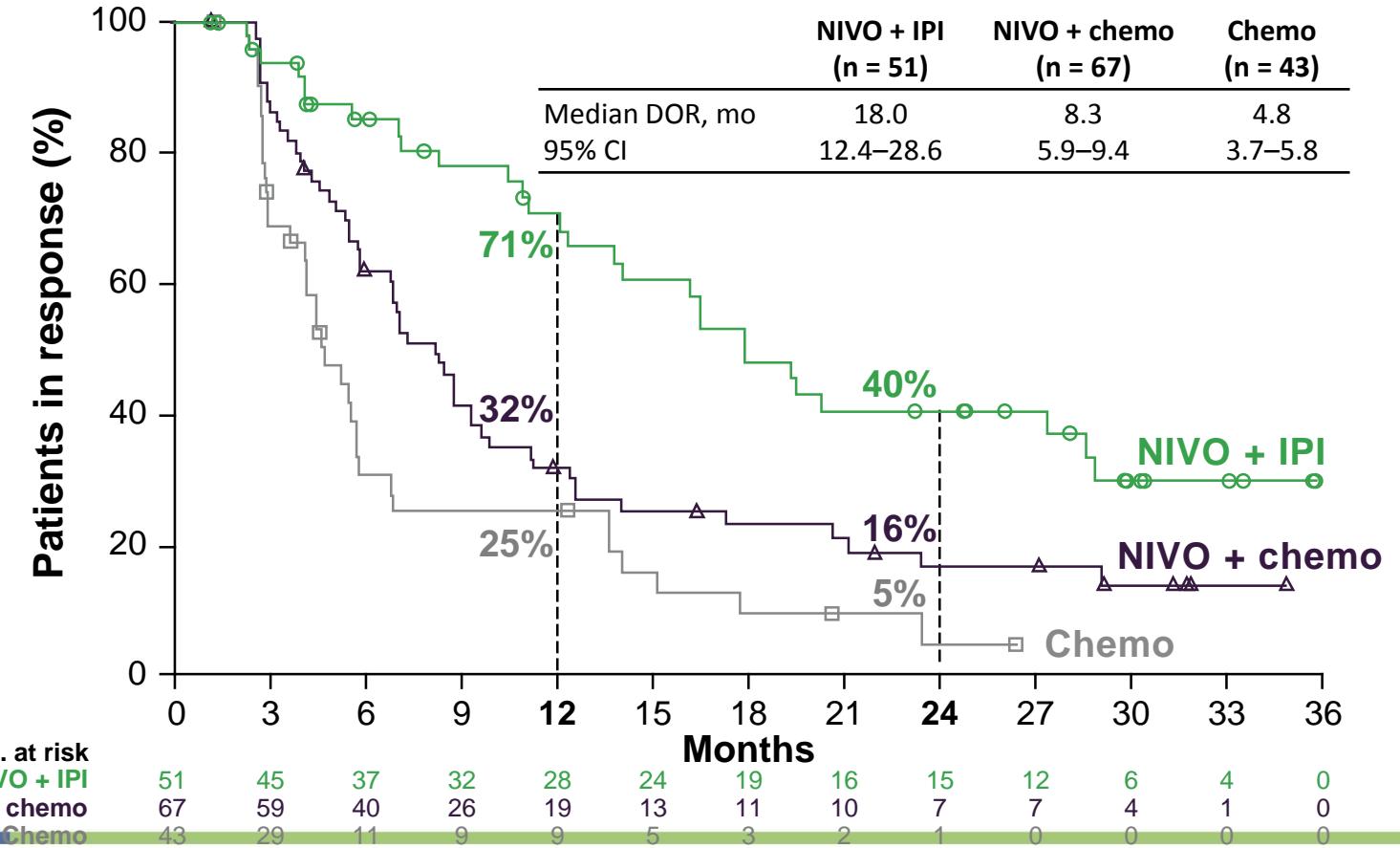
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NIVO + IPI
Chemo
NIVO + chemo

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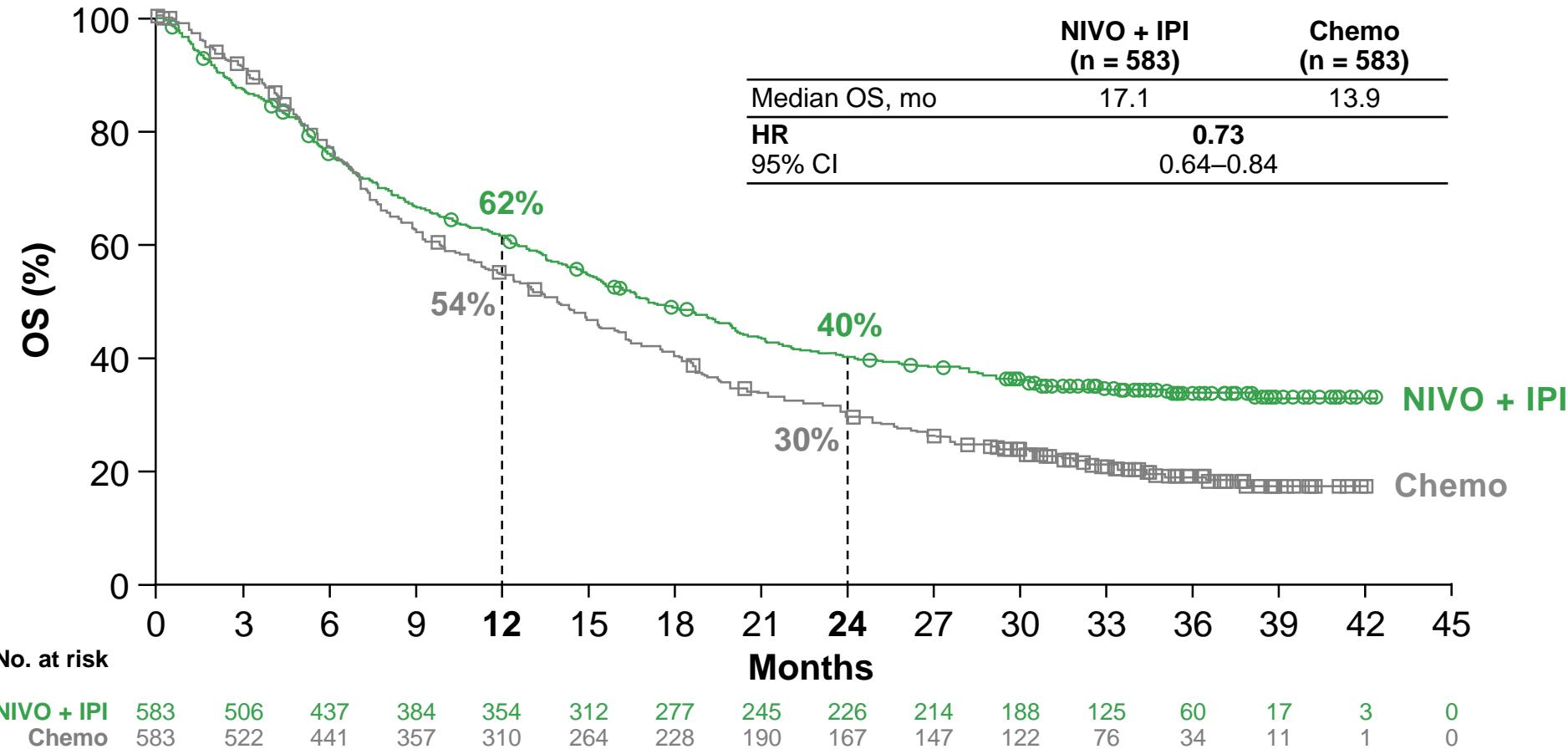


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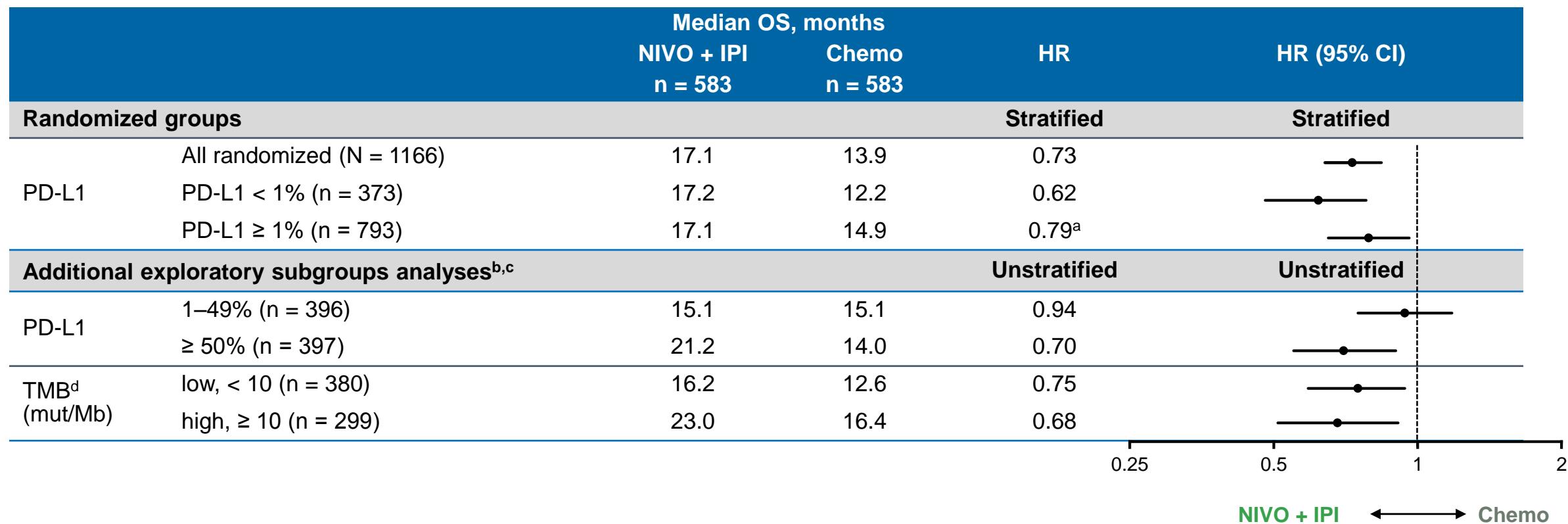


OS With NIVO + IPI vs Chemo in All Randomized Patients (Regardless of PD-L1)

Part 1 (1a and 1b)
NIVO + IPI
Chemo



OS for NIVO + IPI vs Chemo by Tumor PD-L1 Expression, TMB Status, and Combined Subgroups in All Randomized Patients



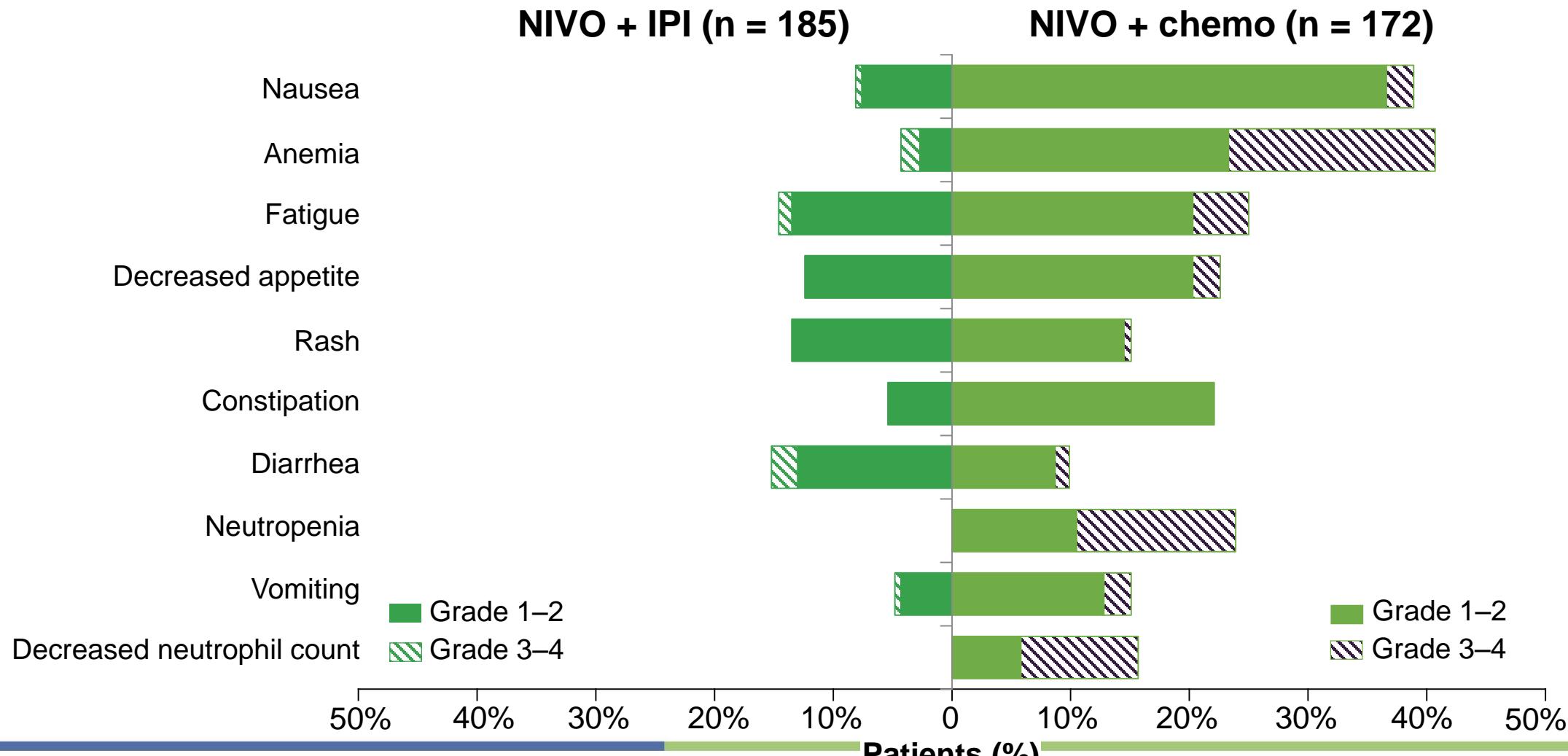
- No consistent correlation was observed between survival outcomes with NIVO + IPI vs chemo and PD-L1 or TMB alone or in combination¹

Safety Summary of Treatment-Related AEs in All Patients Treated With NIVO + IPI, Chemo, or NIVO

TRAE, ^a %	NIVO + IPI (n = 576)		Chemo (n = 570)		NIVO ^b (n = 391)	
	Any grade	Grade 3–4	Any grade	Grade 3–4	Any grade	Grade 3–4
Any TRAE	77	33	82	36	66	19
TRAE leading to discontinuation^c	18	12	9	5	12	7
Most frequent TRAEs (≥ 15%)						
Diarrhea	17	2	10	1	12	< 1
Rash	17	2	5	0	11	1
Fatigue	14	2	19	1	11	< 1
Decreased appetite	13	1	20	1	7	0
Nausea	10	< 1	36	2	6	< 1
Anemia	4	1	33	12	3	< 1
Constipation	4	0	15	< 1	2	0
Neutropenia	< 1	0	17	10	< 1	0
Treatment-related deaths^d		1		1		< 1

- With 18 months more follow-up, safety was consistent with the previous report¹ and did not increase
- Median duration of therapy (range) was 4.2 mo (0.03–25.5) with NIVO + IPI, 2.6 mo (0.03–37.6+) with chemo, and 4.6 mo (0.03–26.5) with NIVO

Most Frequent TRAEs ($\geq 15\%$) With NIVO + IPI and NIVO + Chemo in Patients With Tumor PD-L1 Expression $< 1\%^a$



First Line Studies: Comparison in PD-L1 High (> 50%) Advanced NSCLC – RR, PFS, OS, AEs

	KEYNOTE 024	KEYNOTE 042	KEYNOTE 189	KEYNOTE 407	CheckMate 227
RR	45%	39.5%	62%	60.3%	44.4%
Median PFS (mo)	10.3	7.1	9	8	6.7
1yr PFS	48%	37.4%	38.8%	Not Reported	41%
OS HR	0.65	0.69	0.59	0.64	0.70
1yr OS	70.3%	Not Reported	73.3%	~70%	67%
2yr OS	51.7%	45%	51.9%	Not Reported	48%
Rx related AEs Grade 3-5*	31%	18%	67.2%	69.8%	33%
Immune mediated AEs Grade 3-5*	13.6%	8%	10.9%	10.8%	Not reported

*ITT group regardless of PD-L1 for KN 042,189,407, CM 227

Reck M et al JCO 2019, Mok T et al Lancet 2018, Gadgeel S et al ASCO 2019, Paz-Ares L et al NEJM 2018, Hellmann M et al NEJM 2019

First Line Studies: Comparison in PD-L1 Negative Disease Advanced NSCLC – RR, PFS, OS

	KEYNOTE 189	KEYNOTE 407	CheckMate 227
RR	32.3%	63.2%	27.3%
Median DOR (mo)	10.8	Not reported	18
Median PFS (mo)	6.2	6.3	Not Reported
1yr PFS	25%	~25%	Not Reported
Median OS (mo)	17.2	15.9	17.2
1yr OS	63.4%	~70%	60%
2yr OS	38.5%	Not Reported	40%

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Conclusions

- Nivolumab + Ipilimumab significantly improves overall survival in patients with NSCLC PD-L1 positive disease.
- Nivolumab + Ipilimumab also improves overall survival in patients with NSCLC PD-L1 negative disease.
- Nivolumab + Ipilimumab compared to chemotherapy has a trend towards less TRAEs but more TRAEs leading to treatment discontinuation.
- Nivolumab + Ipilimumab is a viable treatment option for patients with NSCLC regardless of PD-L1 status.

Clinical Conclusions: Which patients would I use or not use PD-1/CTLA-4 combination in?

- I would use the combination in patients with minimal symptoms or lower burden of disease. IO/chemotherapy may be clinically helpful for patients with high burden of disease where you need the increased response rate.
- I would use the combination in patients were I don't think they would tolerate chemotherapy or those who don't want to undergo chemotherapy.
- I would not use the combination in patients with a history of autoimmune disease. I would stick with either single agent IO or IO chemotherapy if I felt it was safe to use IO.
- I would not use this combination in patients with EGFR or ALK positive disease as these patients were not included in CM-227.
- I would use the combination in patients with PD-L1 negative disease over IO chemotherapy, but would love a head to head comparison.