

Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Lung Cancer

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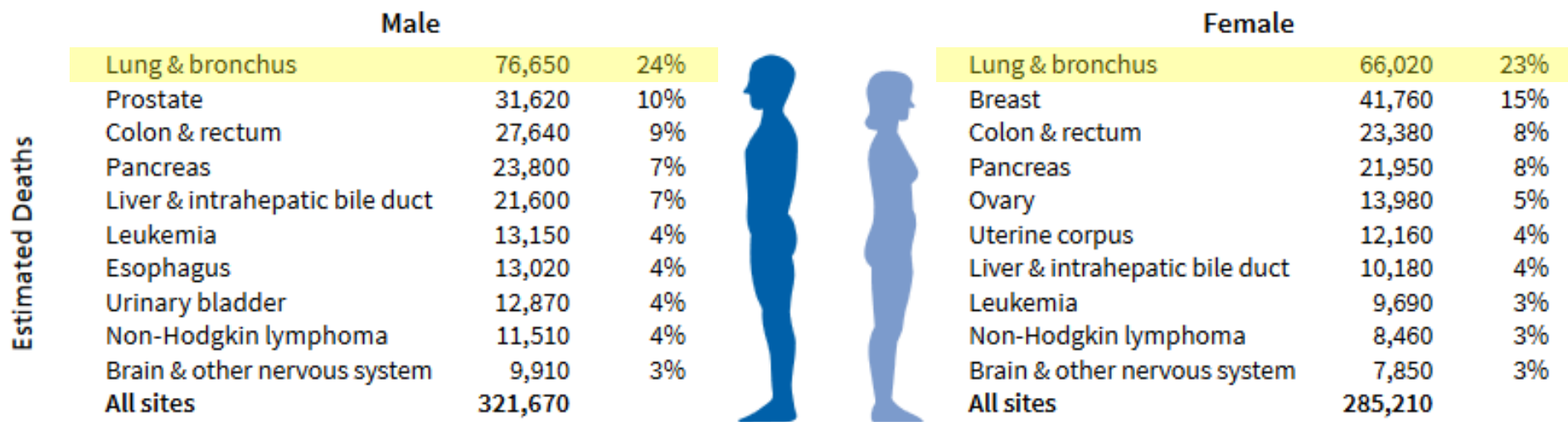
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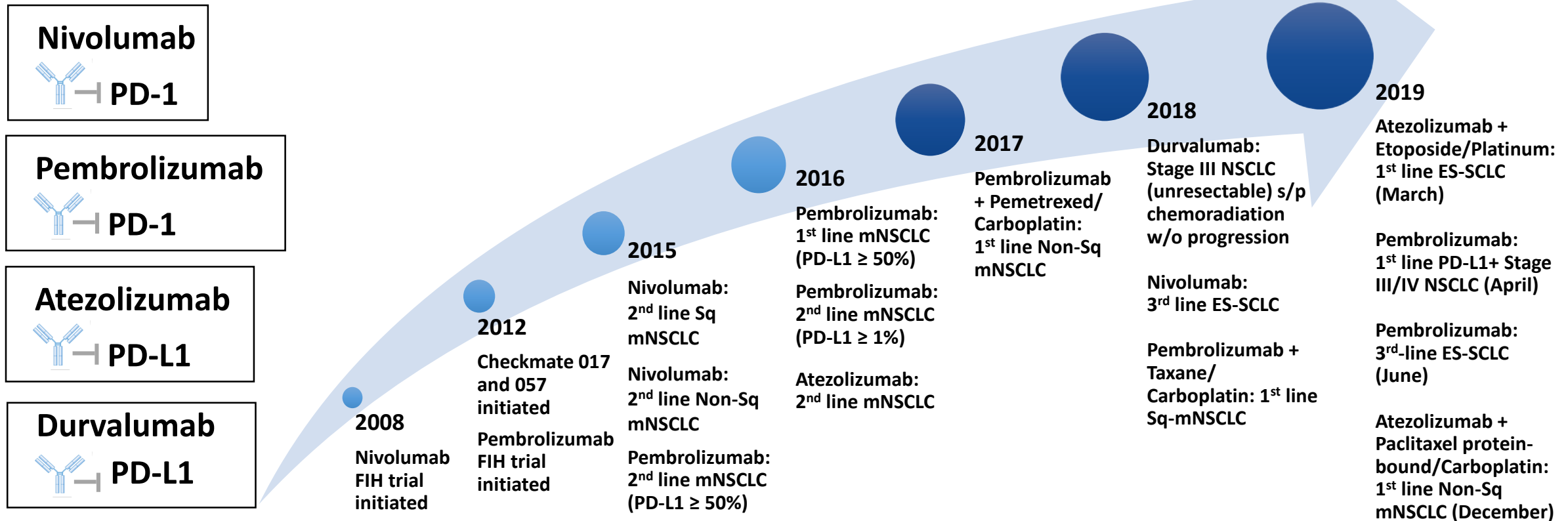
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- I will be discussing non-FDA approved indications during my presentation.

Lung cancer

- 80-85% non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)
- 10-15% small cell lung cancer (SCLC)
- NSCLC has relatively long and extensive history of immunotherapy use



FDA-approved checkpoint inhibitors in lung cancer

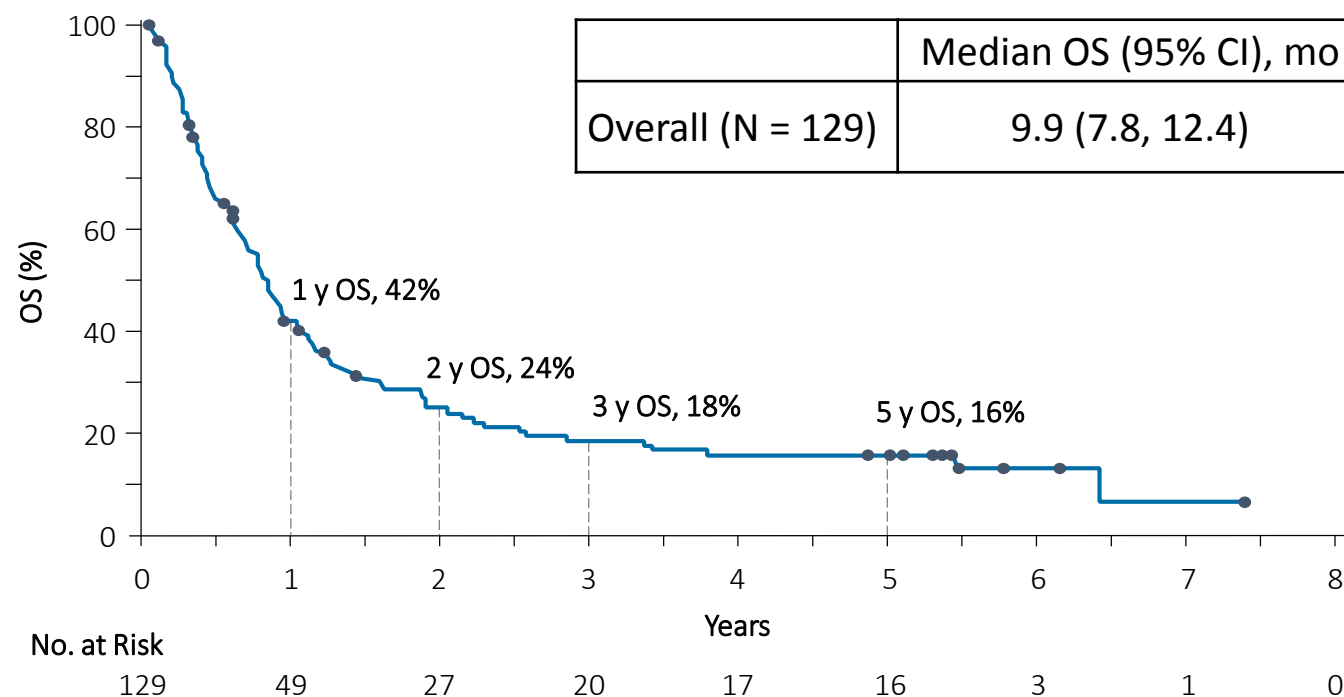


CA209-003: Nivolumab in heavily-pretreated advanced NSCLC (NCT00730639)

Phase 1, 5-Year Update

- First report of long-term survival rate in patients with metastatic NSCLC treated with an immune checkpoint inhibitor
- According to the National Cancer Institute's SEER data, 5-year survival rate for patients with advanced NSCLC is 4.9%

5-Year Survival



KEYNOTE-001: Pembrolizumab in advanced NSCLC

Phase I, 5-Year Update

101 treatment-naïve mNSCLC

- mOS = 22.3 months (95% CI, 17.1 - 32.3 mos)
- Estimated 5-year OS was 23.2%
- With PD-L1 TPS \geq 50%, 5-year OS = 29.6%

449 previously treated mNSCLC

- mOS = 10.5 months (95% CI, 8.6 - 13.2 mos)
- Estimated 5-year OS = 15.5%
- With PD-L1 TPS \geq 50%, 5-year OS = 25.0%

Compared with analysis at 3 years, only three new-onset treatment-related grade 3 adverse events occurred (hypertension, glucose intolerance, and hypersensitivity reaction, all resolved).

No late-onset grade 4 or 5 treatment-related adverse events occurred.

Median follow-up was 60.6 months (range, 51.8 to 77.9 months). At data cutoff—November 5, 2018—450 patients (82%) had died.

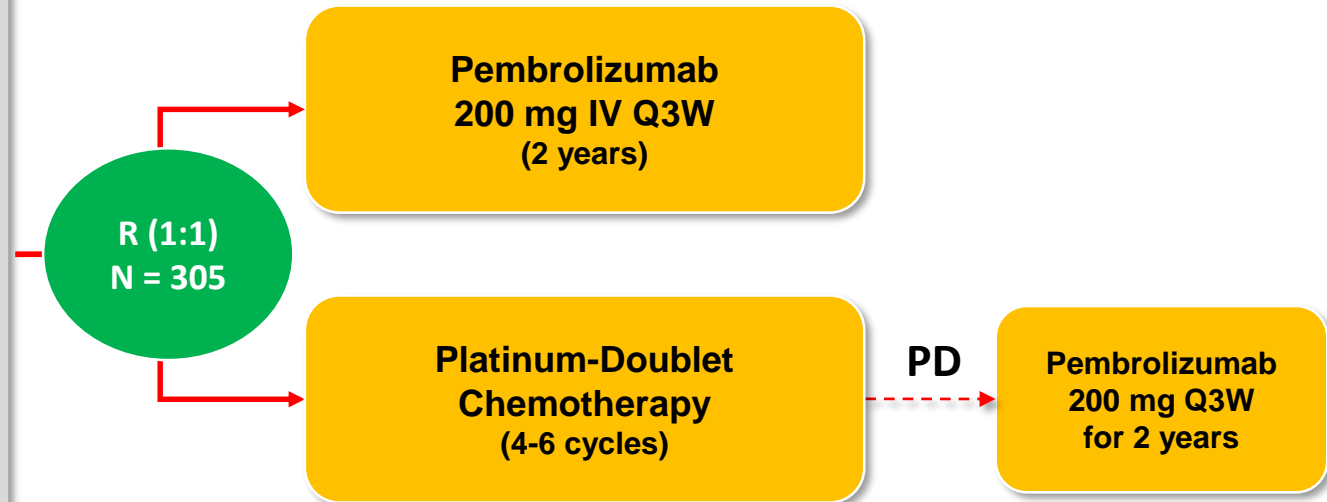
Treatment Naïve Regimens: Competing Strategies in NSCLC

- **KEYNOTE 024** – Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy in PD-L1 \geq 50%
- **KEYNOTE 042** – Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy in PD-L1 \geq 1%
- **KEYNOTE 189** – Pembrolizumab + Chemotherapy vs. Chemotherapy alone in advanced non-squamous NSCLC
- **IMPOWER 150** – Atezolizumab + Chemotherapy (Bev) vs. Chemotherapy (Bev) in advanced non-squamous NSCLC
- **IMPOWER 130** – Atezolizumab + Chemotherapy vs. Chemotherapy in advanced non-squamous NSCLC
- **KEYNOTE 407** – Pembrolizumab + Chemotherapy vs. Chemotherapy in advanced squamous cell lung cancer
- **CHECKMATE 227** – Ipilimumab + Nivolumab vs. Chemotherapy in advanced NSCLC with high TMB (\geq 10 mut/Mb)

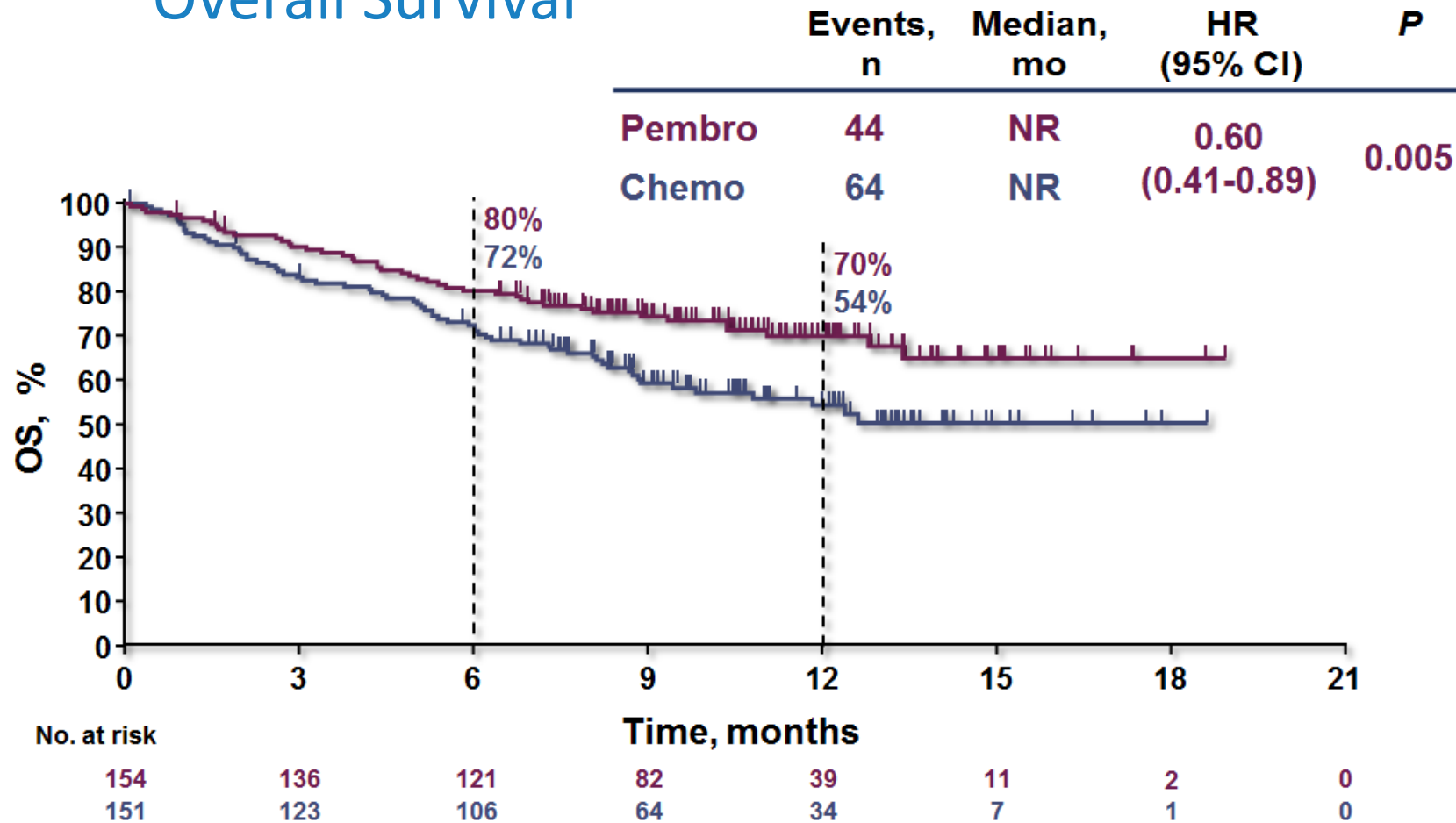
KEYNOTE-024: Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy for PD-L1 Positive ($\geq 50\%$) NSCLC Study Design (NCT021427389)

Key Eligibility Criteria

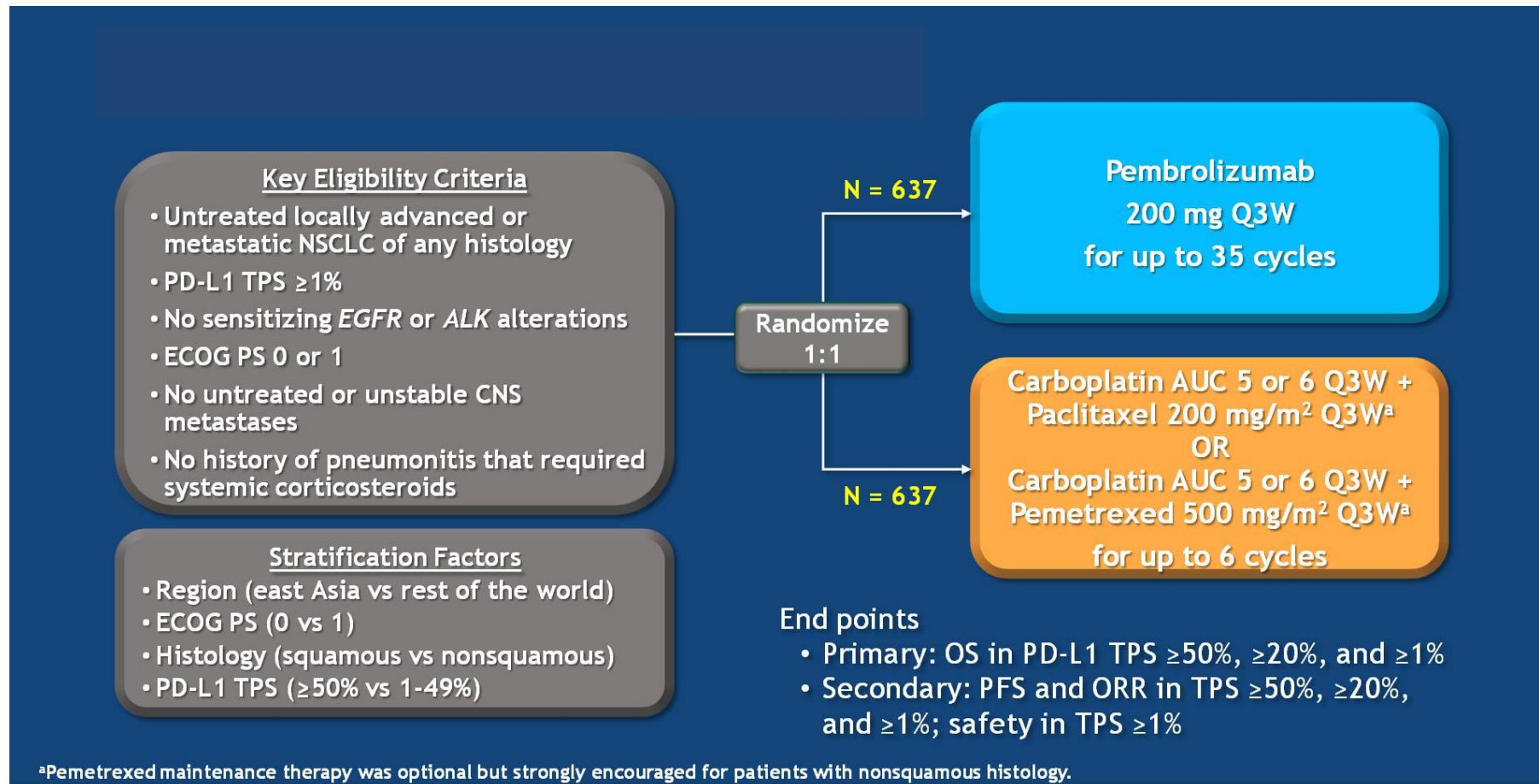
- **Untreated** stage IV NSCLC
- PD-L1 TPS $\geq 50\%$
- ECOG PS 0-1
- No activating *EGFR* mutation or *ALK* translocation
- No untreated brain metastases
- No active autoimmune disease requiring systemic therapy



KEYNOTE-024: Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy for PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$ NSCLC Overall Survival

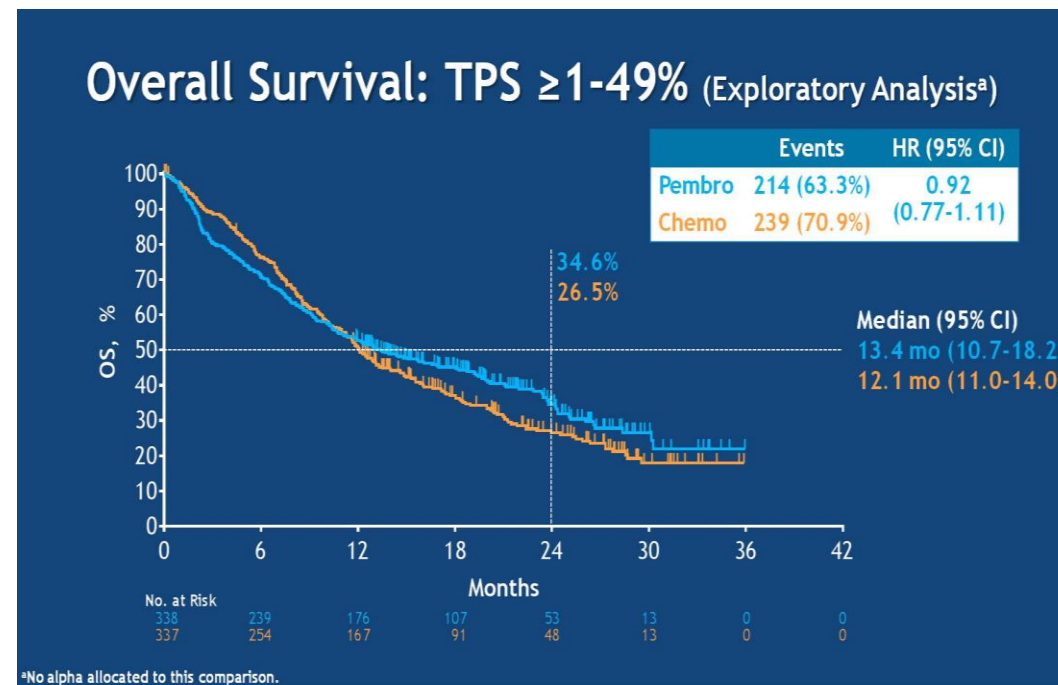
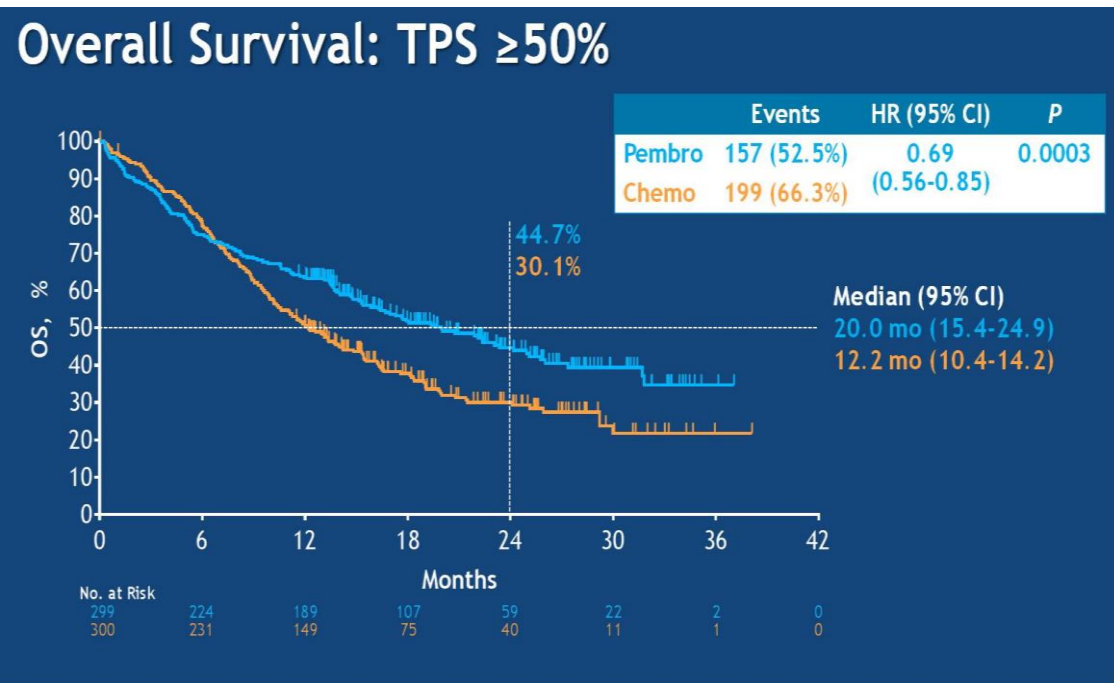


KEYNOTE-042: Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy for PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$ NSCLC



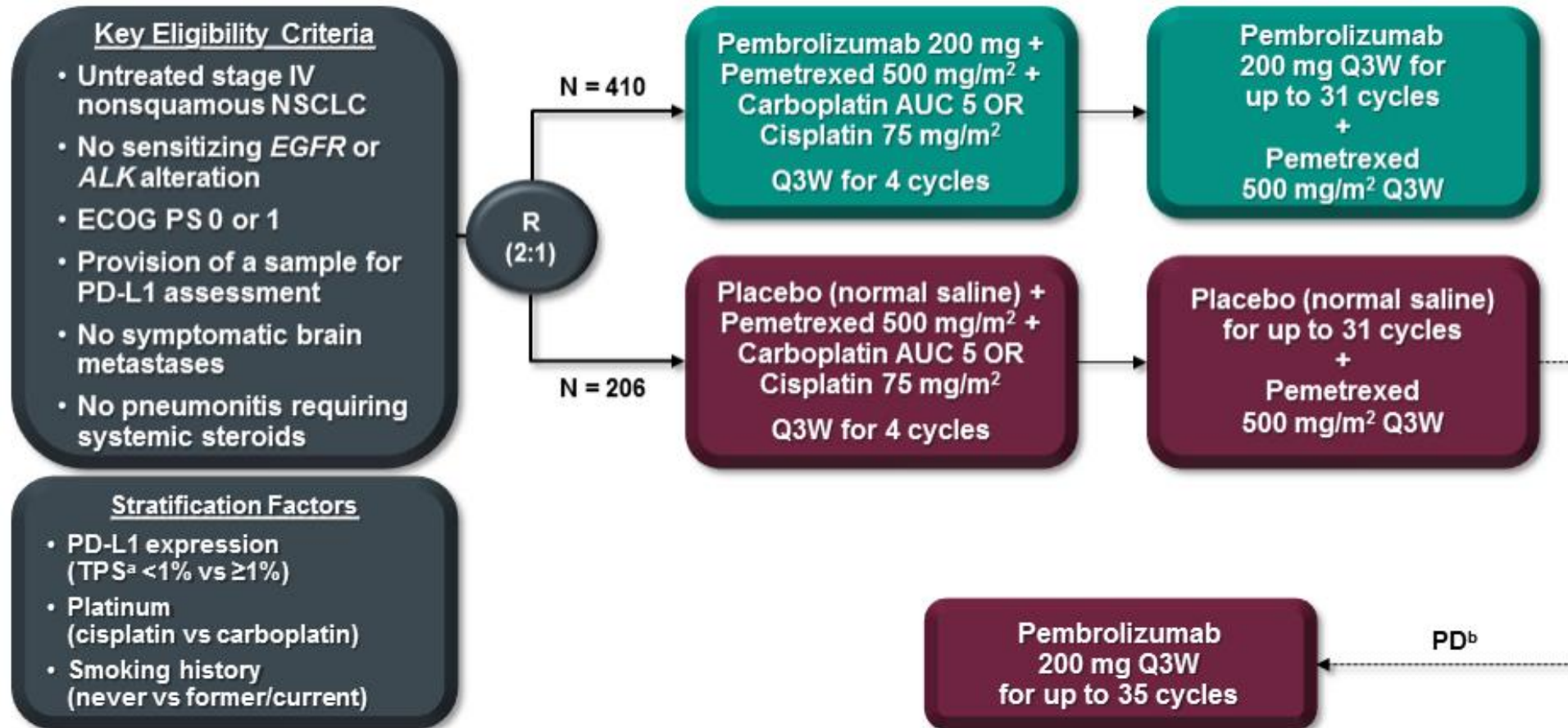
KEYNOTE-042: Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy for PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$ NSCLC

Overall Survival

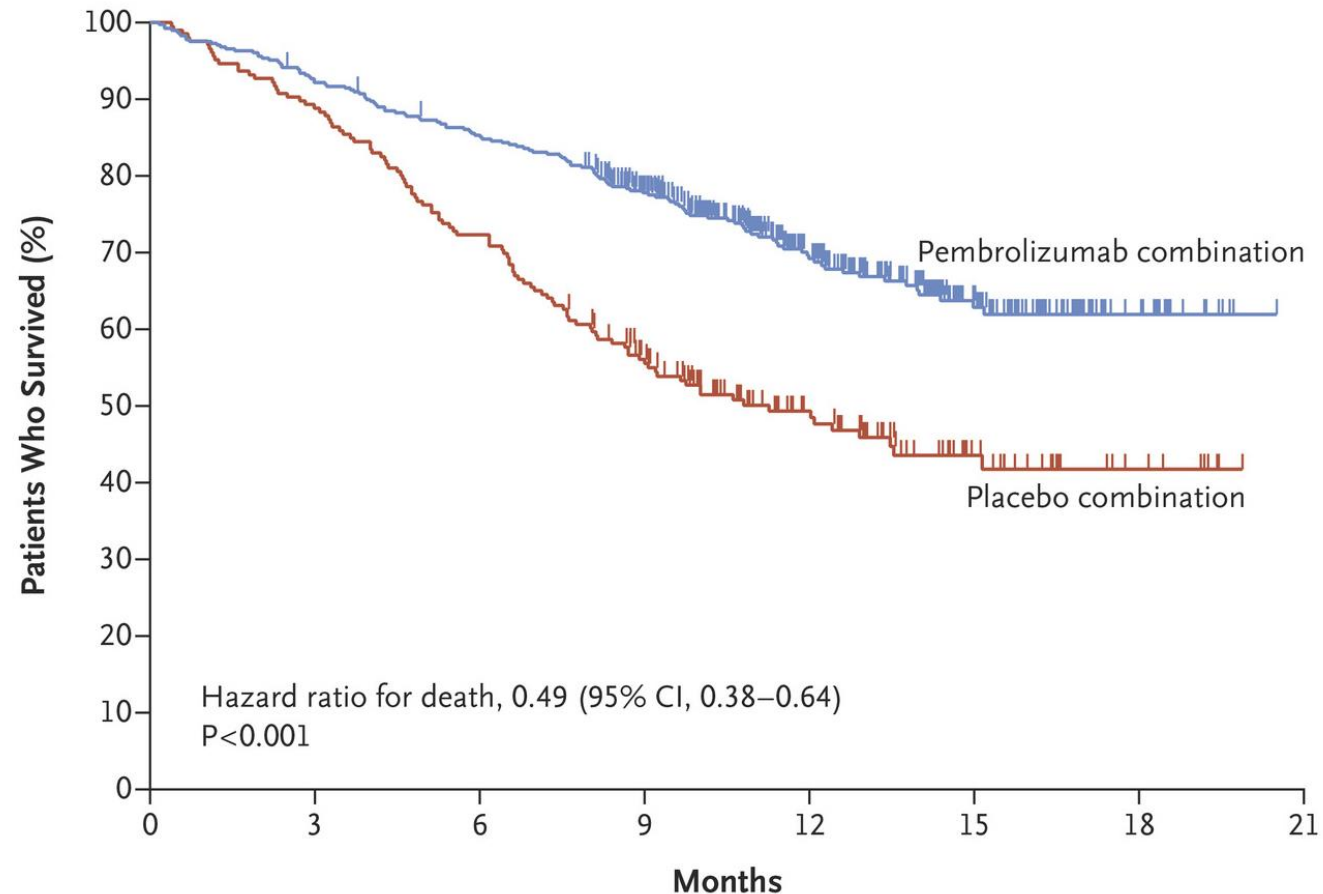


Survival benefit seemed to be driven by the TPS $\geq 50\%$ subset with little benefit witnessed in the subset TPS = 1 - 49%

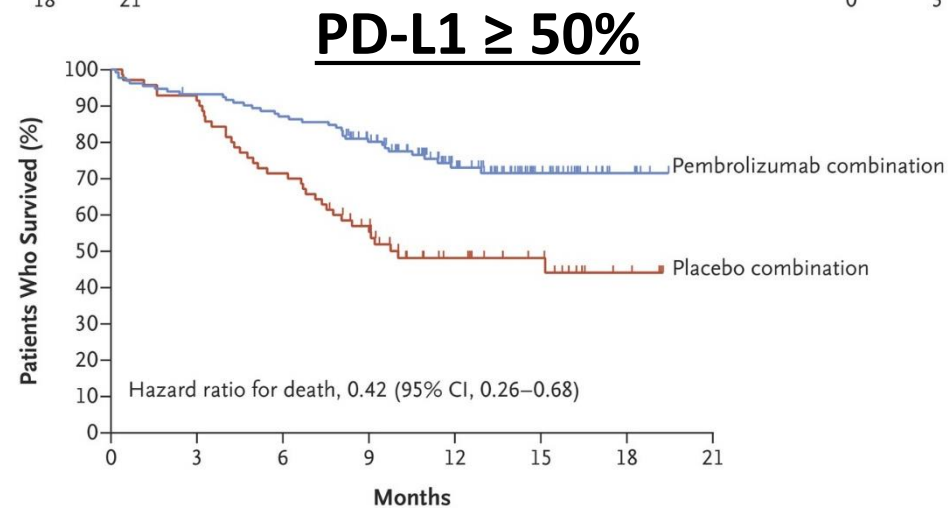
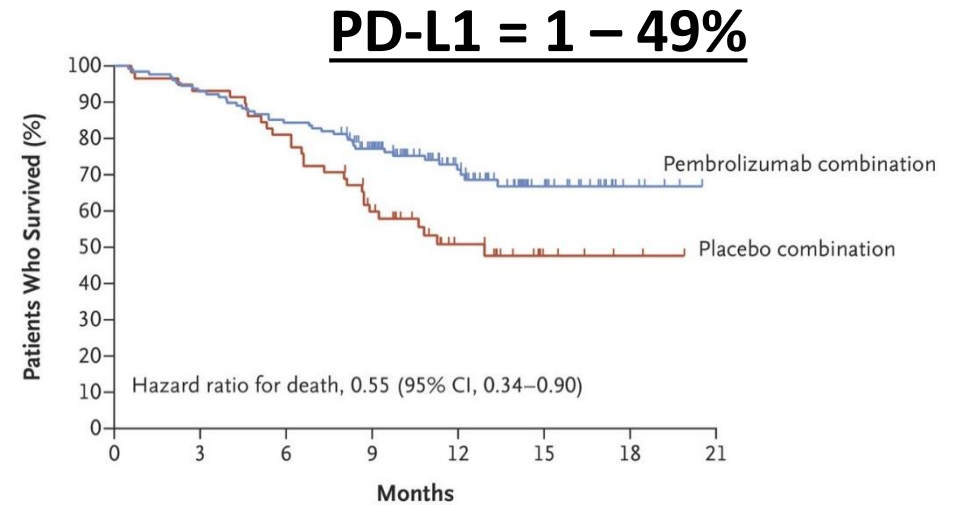
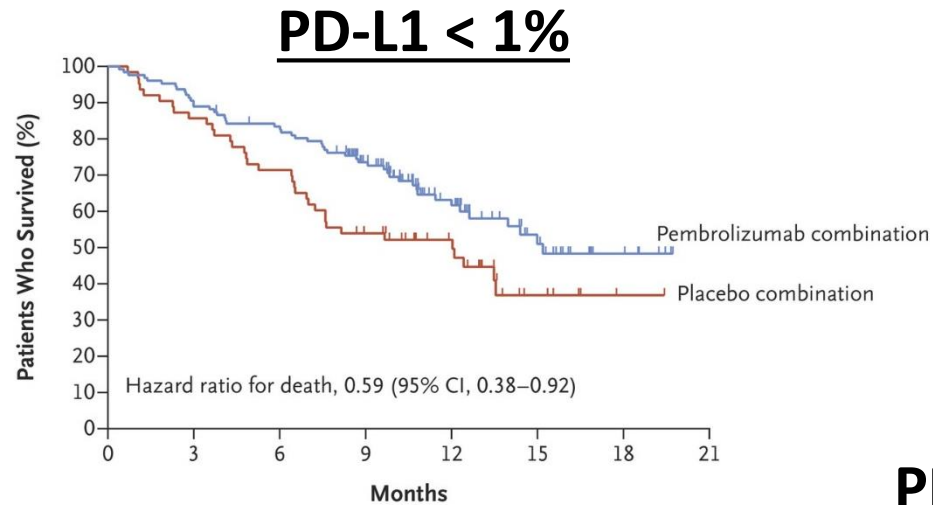
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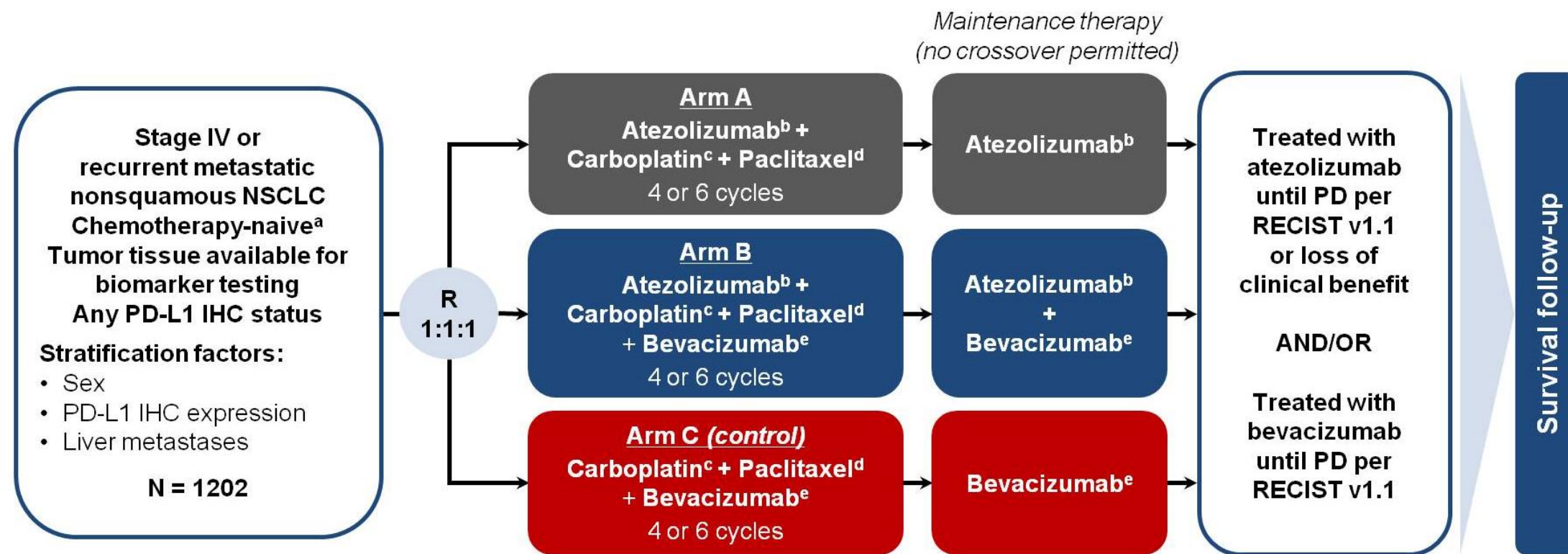
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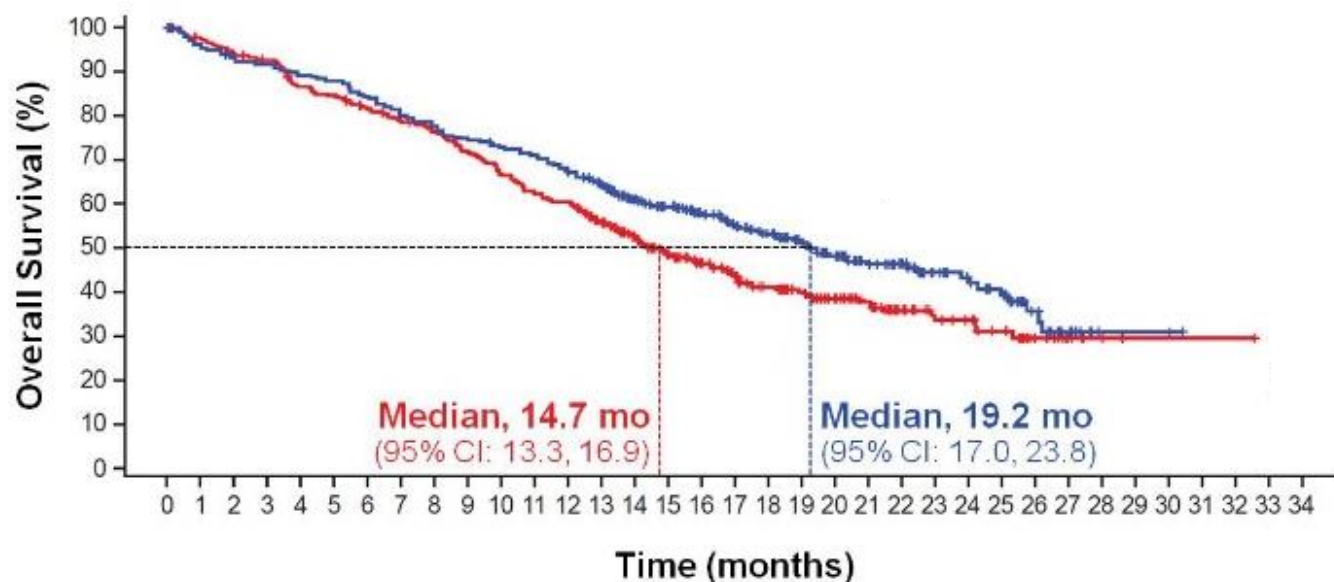
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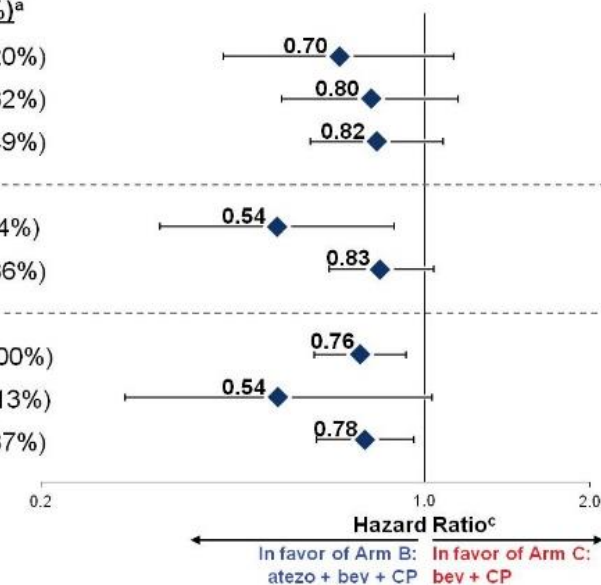
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Landmark OS, %	Arm B: atezo + bev + CP	Arm C: bev + CP
12-month	67%	61%
18-month	53%	41%
24-month	43%	34%

HR^a, 0.78
(95% CI: 0.64, 0.96)
P = 0.0164
Median follow-up: ~20 mo



Subgroup	n (%) ^a
PD-L1–High (TC3 or IC3) WT	136 (20%)
PD-L1–Low (TC1/2 or IC1/2) WT	226 (32%)
PD-L1–Negative (TC0 and IC0) WT	339 (49%)
Liver Metastases WT	94 (14%)
No Liver Metastases WT	602 (86%)
ITT (including EGFR/ALK+)	800 (100%)
EGFR/ALK+ only	104 ^b (13%)
ITT-WT	696 (87%)



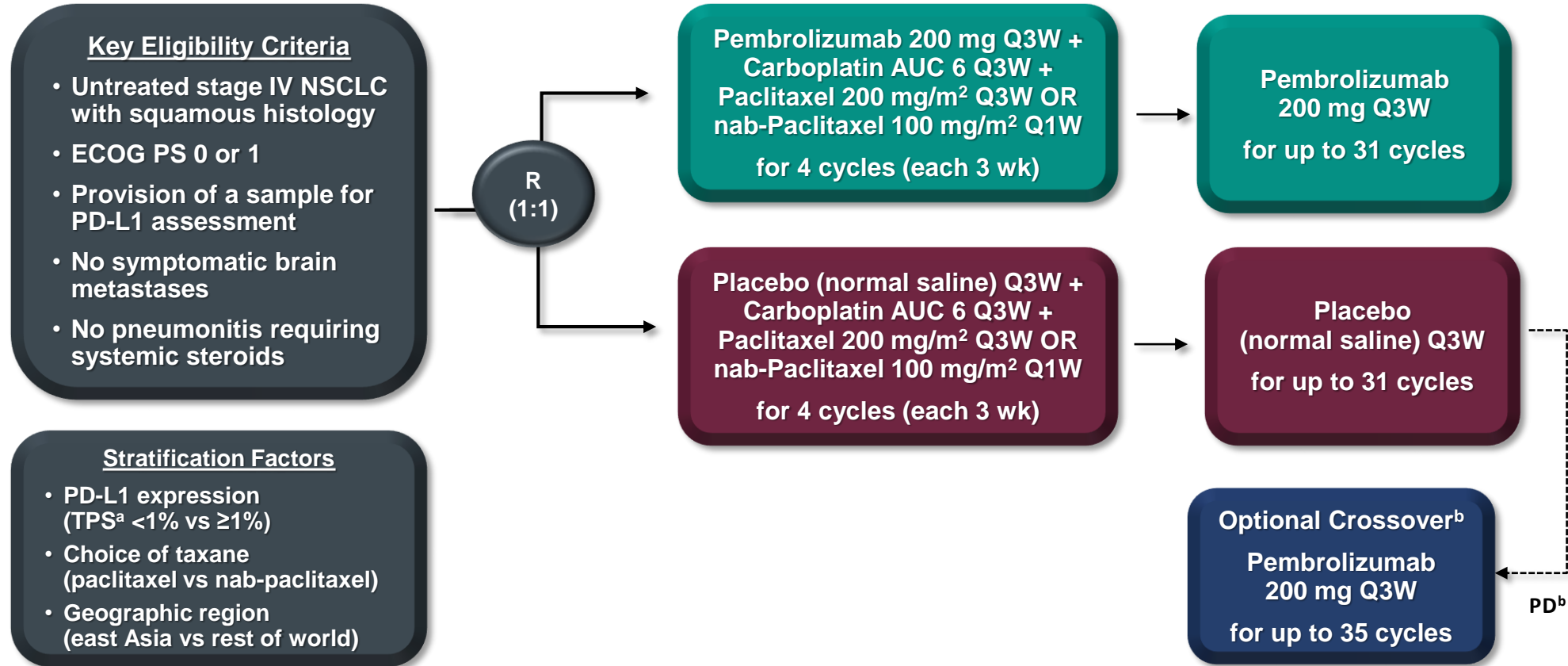
IMPOWER 130: Atezolizumab/Carboplatin/ Nab-paclitaxel vs Carboplatin/Nab-paclitaxel in Advanced Non-squamous NSCLC

- 681 patients randomized (2:1)
- Carboplatin D1 + nab-paclitaxel D1, D8, D15 +/- atezolizumab every 21 days for 4-6 cycles followed by maintenance (atezolizumab vs BSC)
- mPFS = 7.2 vs 6.5 months; HR=0.75; 95% CI: 0.63-0.91; p=0.0024
- mOS = 18.6 vs 13.9 months; HR=0.80; 95% CI: 0.64-0.99; p=0.0384

CHECKMATE 227: Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab in Advanced NSCLC

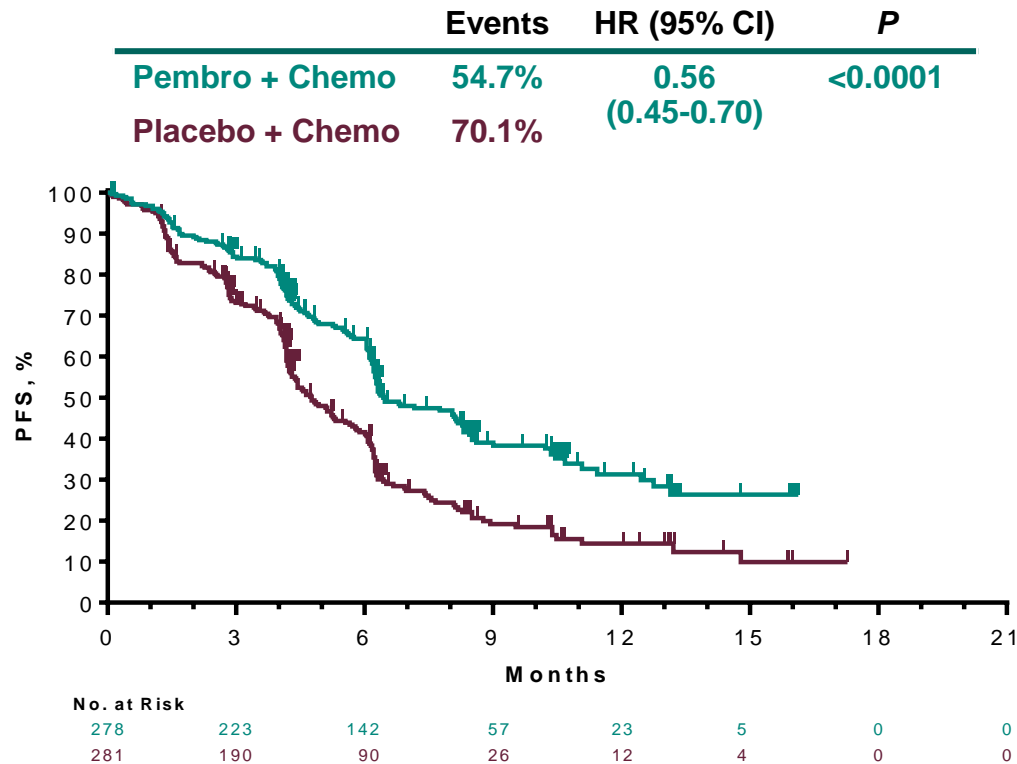
- PD-L1 \geq 1% randomized 1:1:1 to nivo+ipi vs nivo vs chemo
- PD-L1 $<$ 1% randomized 1:1:1 nivo+ipi vs nivo+chemo vs chemo
- Primary endpoint reported in NEJM (2019; 381:2020-2031) was OS with nivo + ipi vs chemo in patients with PD-L1 \geq 1%
 - mOS = 17.1 vs 14.9 months ($p=0.007$)
 - 2-year OS rates = 40.0% vs 32.8%
- mDOR = 23.2 vs 6.2 months (chemo) vs 15.5 months (nivo alone)
- In those with PD-L1 $<$ 1%, mDOR = 17.2 vs 12.2 months.

KEYNOTE-407: Pembrolizumab/Chemotherapy vs Chemotherapy Alone for Advanced Squamous-Cell NSCLC

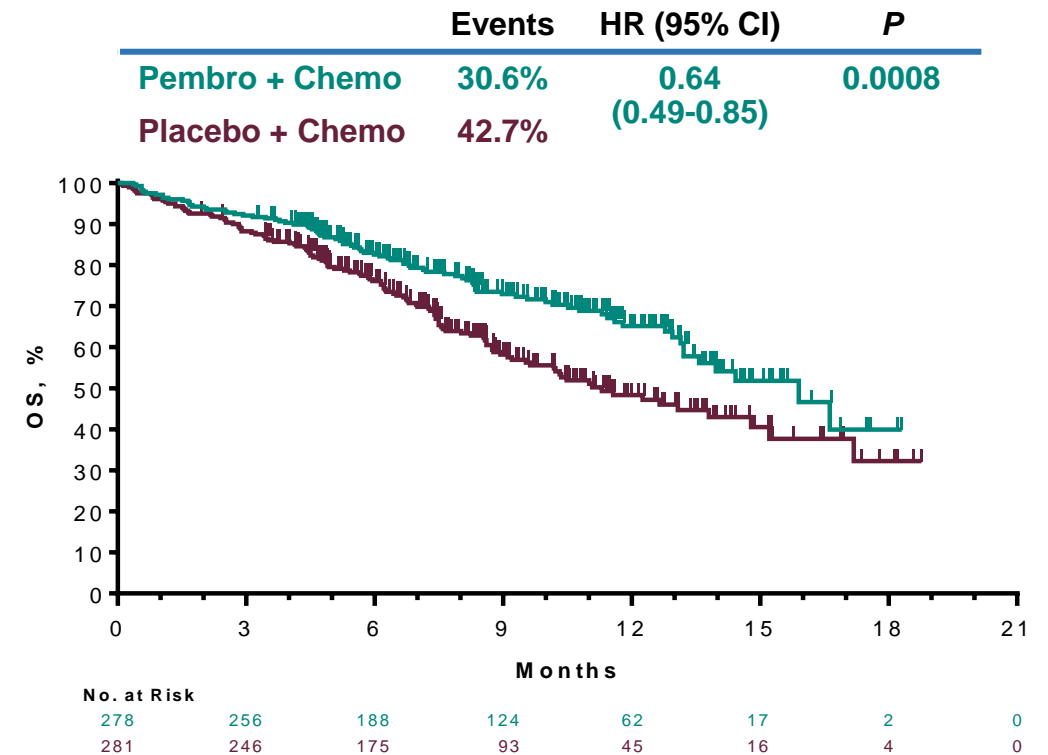


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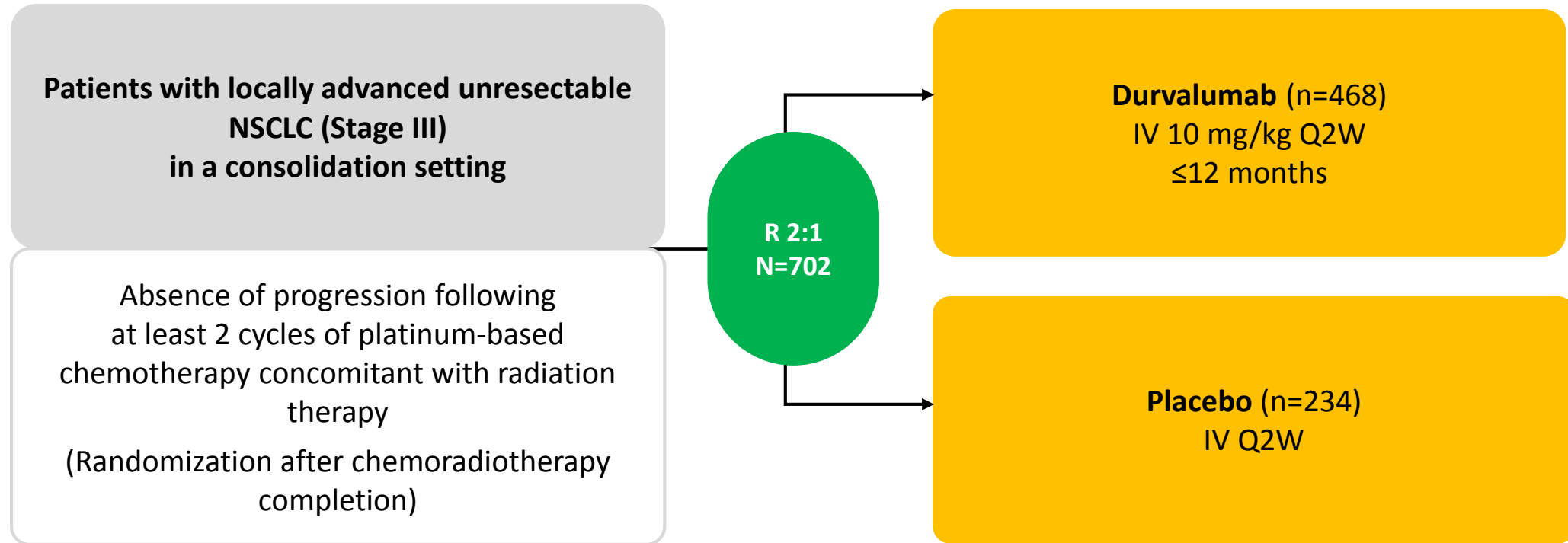
PFS (RECISTv1.1, BICR)



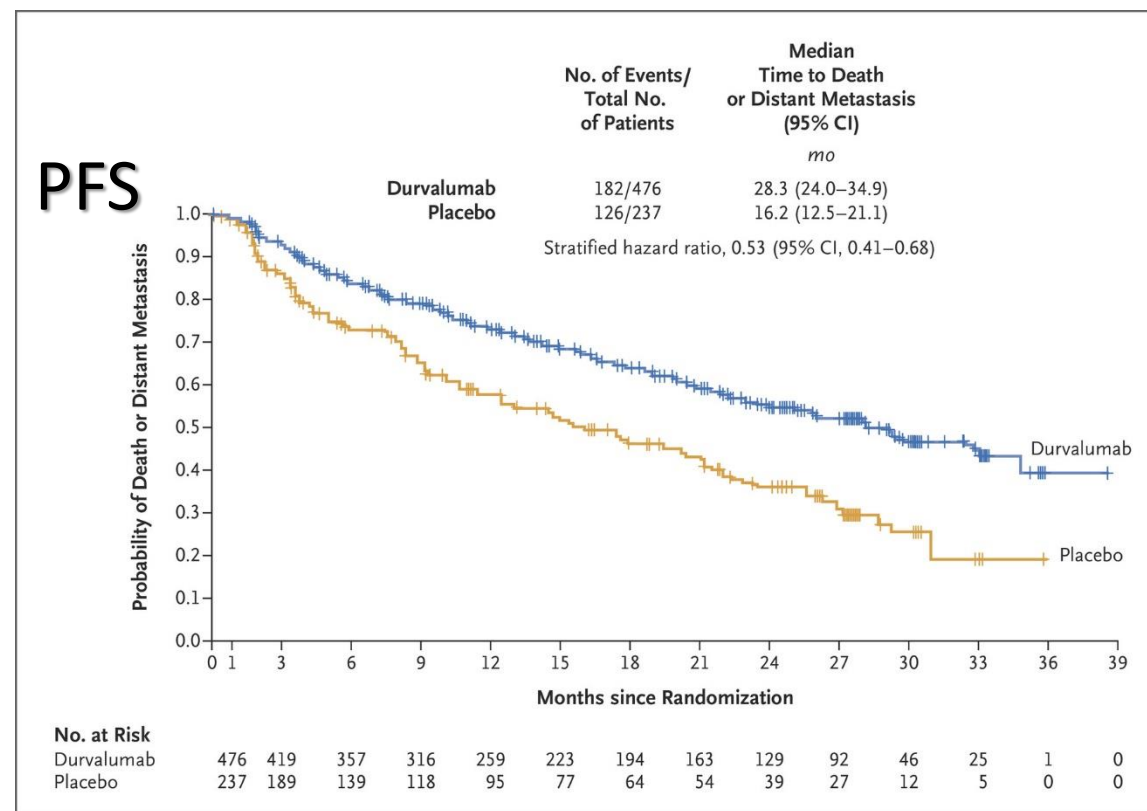
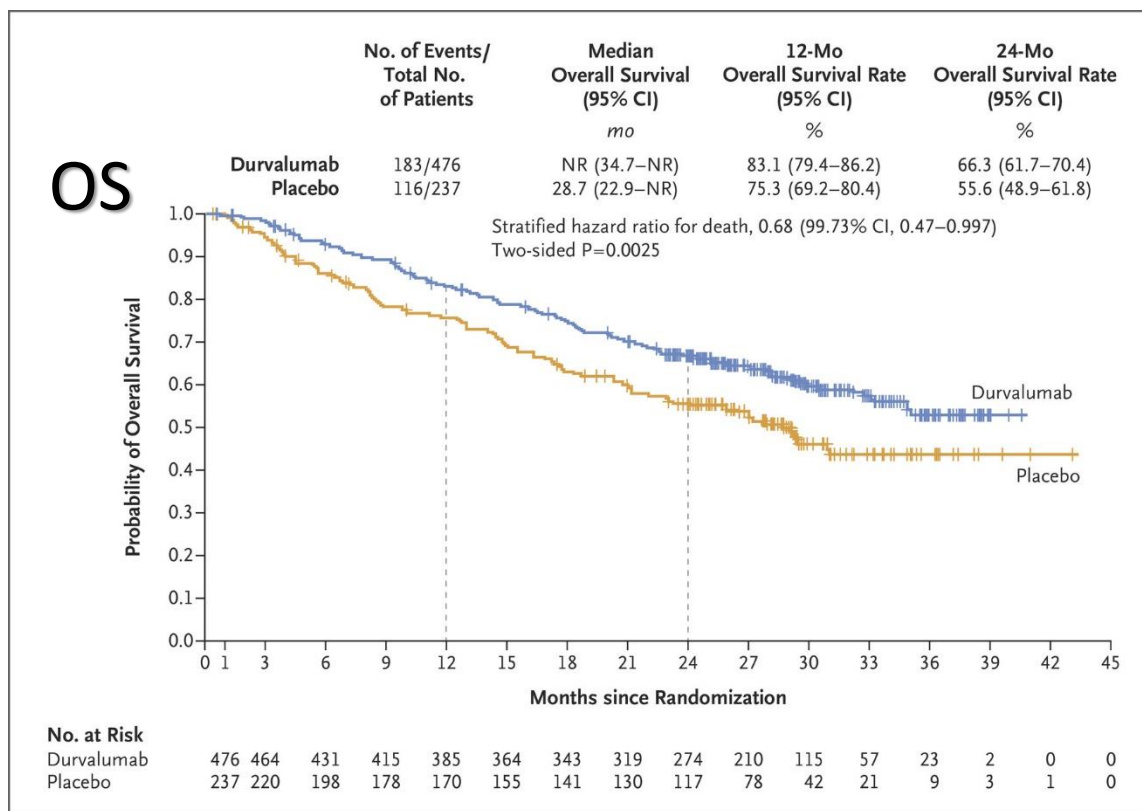
Overall Survival



PACIFIC (NCT02125461): Durvalumab after chemoradiotherapy in Stage III NSCLC



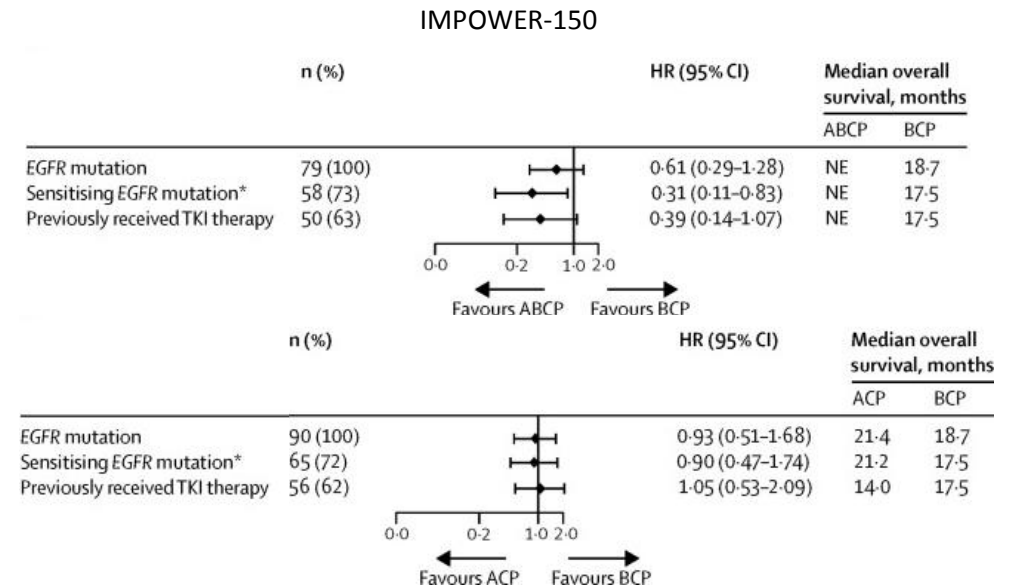
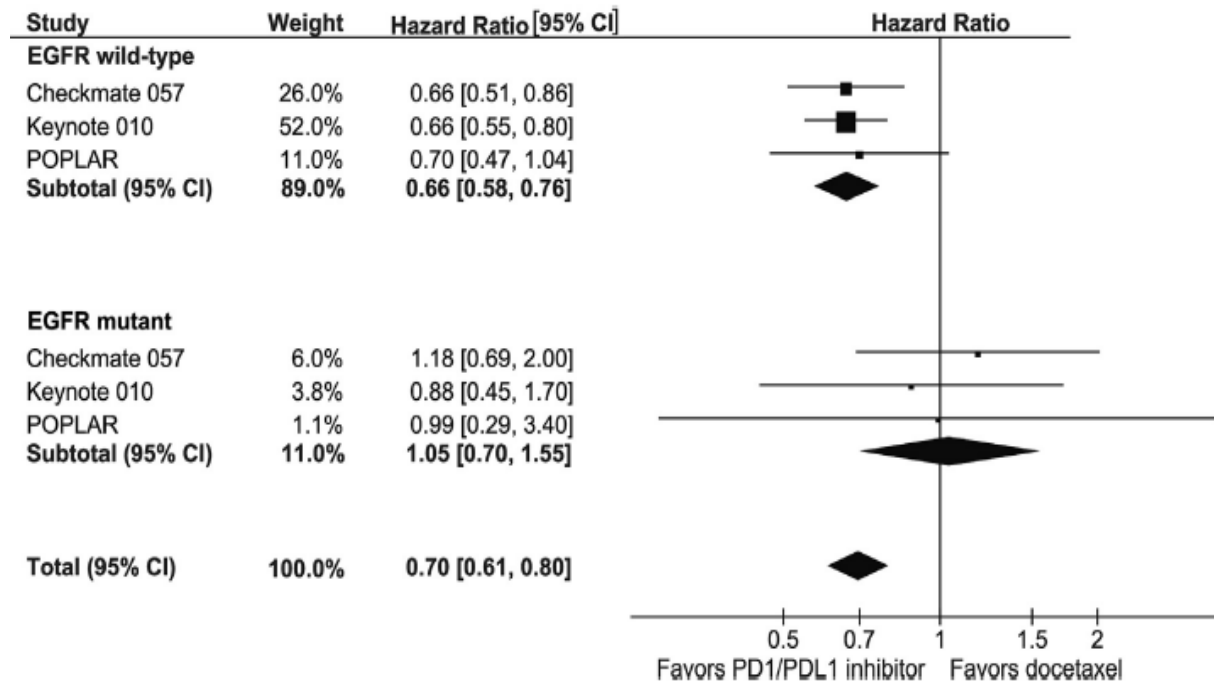
PACIFIC (NCT02125461): Durvalumab after chemoradiotherapy in Stage III NSCLC



3-year OS update (stratified HR 0.69, 95% CI, 0.55–0.86) = median OS NR with durvalumab vs 29.1 months with placebo.
12-, 24- and 36-month OS rates were 83.1% versus 74.6%, 66.3% versus 55.3%, and 57.0% versus 43.5%, respectively.

Checkpoint Inhibitors in Metastatic EGFR-Mutated NSCLC

Meta-Analysis: CM-057, KN-010, POPLAR; IMPOWER-150



PD-1/PD-L1 Inhibitors Increase *Overall Survival* in 2L Advanced NSCLC

CHECKMATE 017 (nivolumab)

	Median Overall Survival mo (95% CI)	1-Yr Overall Survival % of patients (95% CI)	No. of Deaths
Nivolumab (N=135)	9.2 (7.3–13.3)	42 (34–50)	86
Docetaxel (N=137)	6.0 (5.1–7.3)	24 (17–31)	113

CHECKMATE 057 (nivolumab)

	Nivolumab (n = 292)	Docetaxel (n = 290)
mOS, mo	12.2	9.4
HR = 0.73 (96% CI: 0.59, 0.89); P = 0.0015		

KEYNOTE 010 (TPS ≥ 1%) (pembrolizumab)

Treatment Arm	Median (95% CI), mo	HR* (95% CI)	P
Pembro 2 mg/kg	14.9 (10.4-NR)	0.54 (0.38-0.77)	0.0002
Pembro 10 mg/kg	17.3 (11.8-NR)	0.50 (0.36-0.70)	<0.0001
Docetaxel	8.2 (6.4-10.7)	--	--

OAK (atezolizumab)

HR, 0.73^a (95% CI, 0.62, 0.87) <i>P</i> = 0.0003 <i>Minimum follow up = 19 months</i>
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Small Cell Lung Cancer

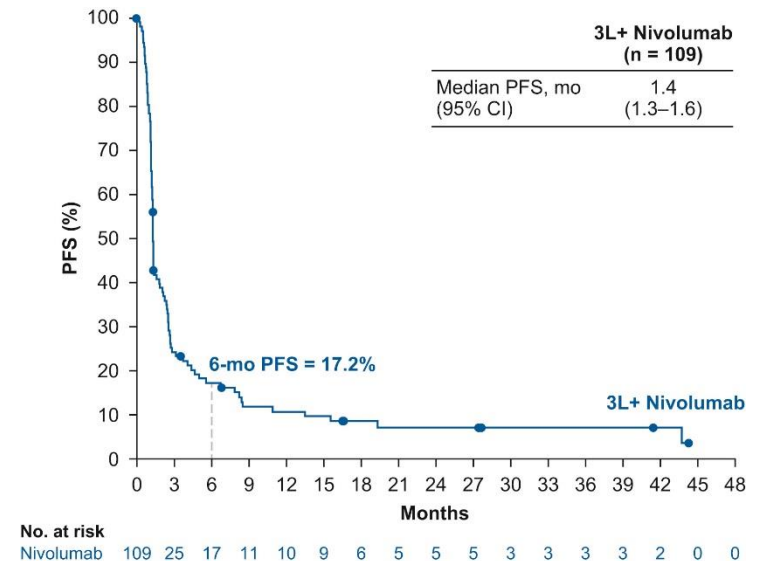
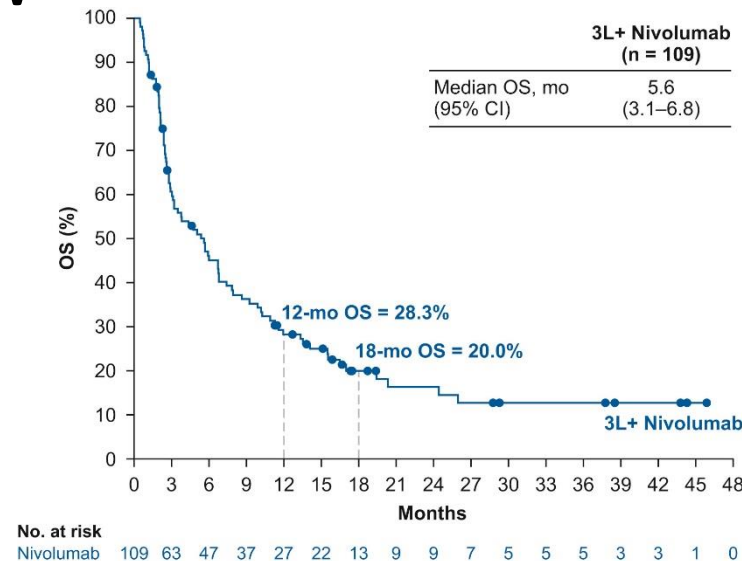
- 10-15% of lung cancers
- Almost exclusively former/current smokers
- Median survival 1-2 years after diagnosis
- Until recently, only one FDA-approved 2nd line option: topotecan – DOR: 3.3 months
- Recent approvals of immunotherapies mark the first progress in decades

Approved checkpoint inhibitors in SCLC

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Nivolumab	2018	Metastatic small cell lung cancer with progression on Pt-chemotherapy and one other therapy (3 rd line)	240 mg Q2W
Atezolizumab + carboplatin + etoposide	2019	1 st line extensive stage SCLC	For 4 cycles: atezolizumab 1200 mg + carboplatin + etoposide Q3W Maintenance: 840 mg Q2W, 1200 mg Q3W, or 1680 mg Q4W
Pembrolizumab	2019	Metastatic small cell lung cancer with progression on Pt-chemotherapy and one other therapy (3 rd line)	200 mg Q3W

CheckMate-032: Nivolumab in 3rd line SCLC

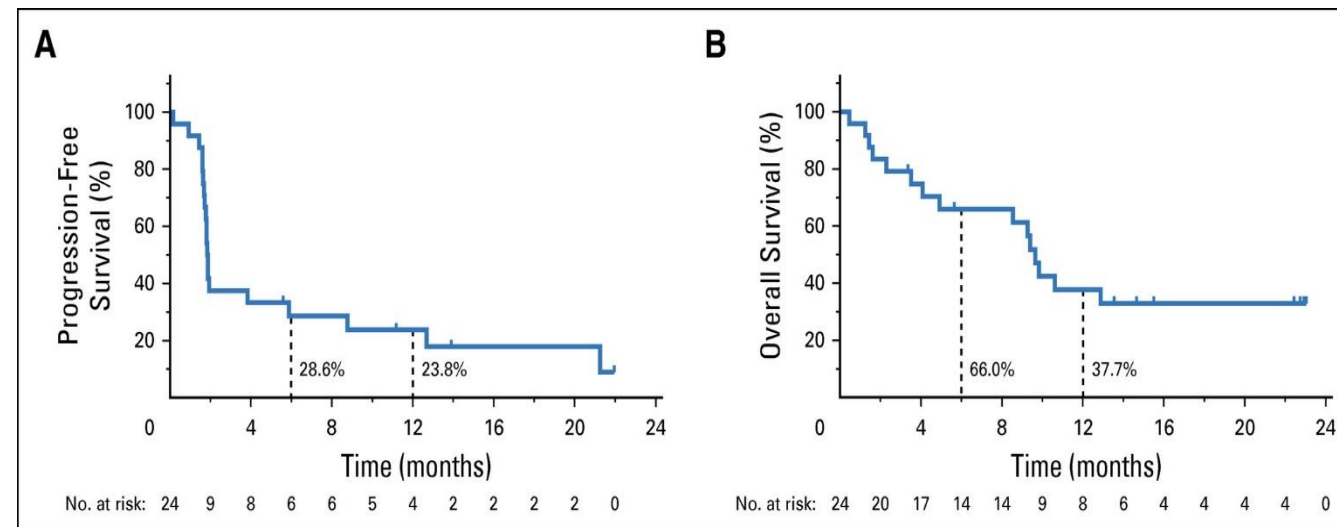
- Nivolumab in SCLC with progression on platinum chemotherapy and another therapy
- Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q2W
- @28.3 months:
 - ORR: 11.9%
 - mDOR: 17.9 months



Pembrolizumab in 3rd-line SCLC

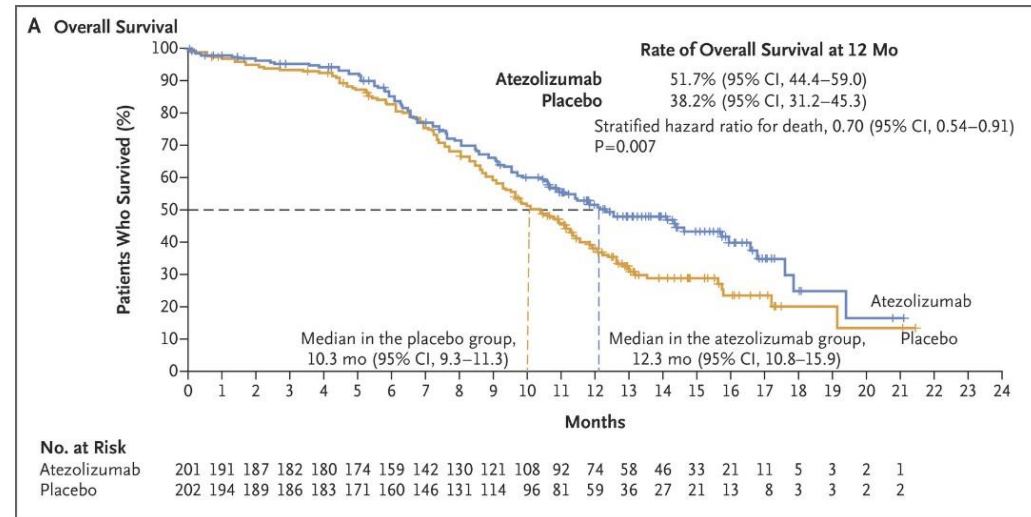
- KEYNOTE-028: PD-L1+ only (Cohort C1)
- KEYNOTE-158: PD-L1 +/- (Cohort G)
- Combined analysis:
- ORR: 19.3%
 - 2 CR, 14 PR
 - 14/16 responders were PD-L1+
 - 9/16 responders had response ≥18 mo.
- mOS: 7.7 months

PD-L1+ (KEYNOTE-028)



IMpower133: Atezolizumab + chemo in 1st-line SCLC

- Induction phase: four 21-day cycles of carboplatin and etoposide + atezolizumab (1200 mg) or placebo
- Maintenance phase: either atezolizumab or placebo
- @13.9 mo:
 - mOS = 12.3 vs 10.3 mo
 - mPFS = 5.2 vs 4.3 mo



Conclusions

- NSCLC has been a proving ground for checkpoint inhibitors.
- 2nd and 3rd line options have moved to first line treatment.
- All patients with lung cancer without contraindications to immunotherapy should receive immunotherapy.
(regardless of PD-L1, TMB, histologic subtype)
- Those with driver mutations should receive targeted therapy first.

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The Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer consensus statement on immunotherapy for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)

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Case Studies

Case Study 1

- A 46-year-old female never-smoker presents to medical oncology with a new diagnosis of metastatic adenocarcinoma of the lung based on contrasted CT chest and pleural fluid cytology.
- She has a remote history of Hodgkin lymphoma treated with MOPP-ABVD (and no radiation).
- She initially presented with a right pleural effusion under tension and underwent emergent thoracentesis with the removal of 1700cc of pleural fluid.
- Cytology was positive for malignancy: CK-7 and TTF-1 positive; GATA-3, PAX-8, CDX-2 and CK20 are negative; mucicarmine is negative; napsin and estrogen receptor staining is weak.
- She has recurrent pleuritic pain, shortness of breath, cough, and nausea without emesis. However, her ECOG PS is still zero.

Case Study 1: What additional information do you need?

1. Brain MRI with and without contrast

1. Standard of care to complete staging
2. Patient has nausea

2. PET/CT

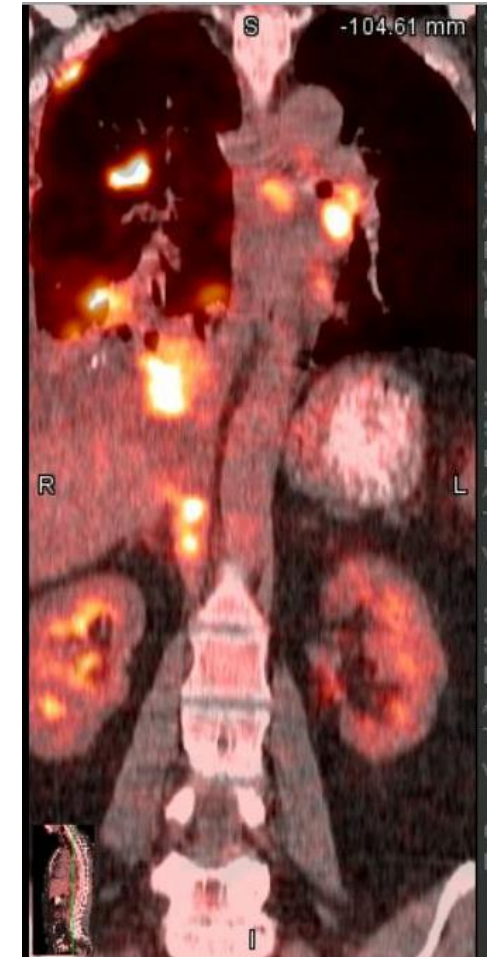
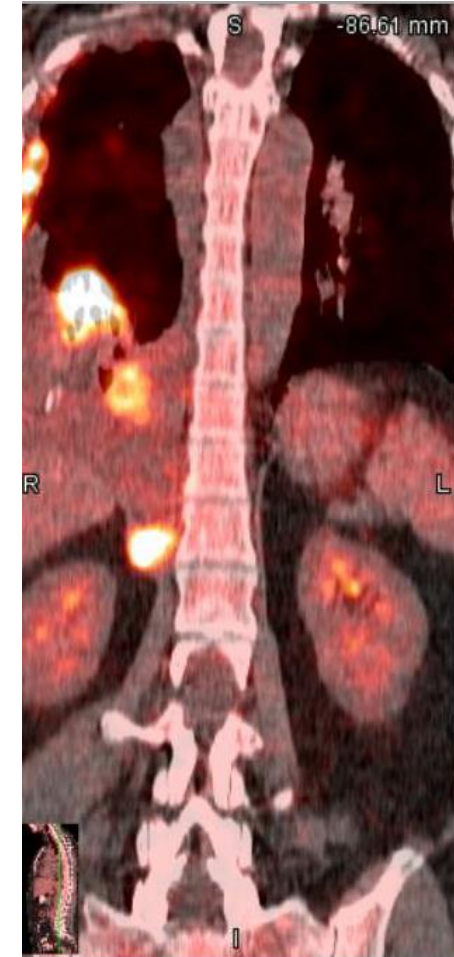
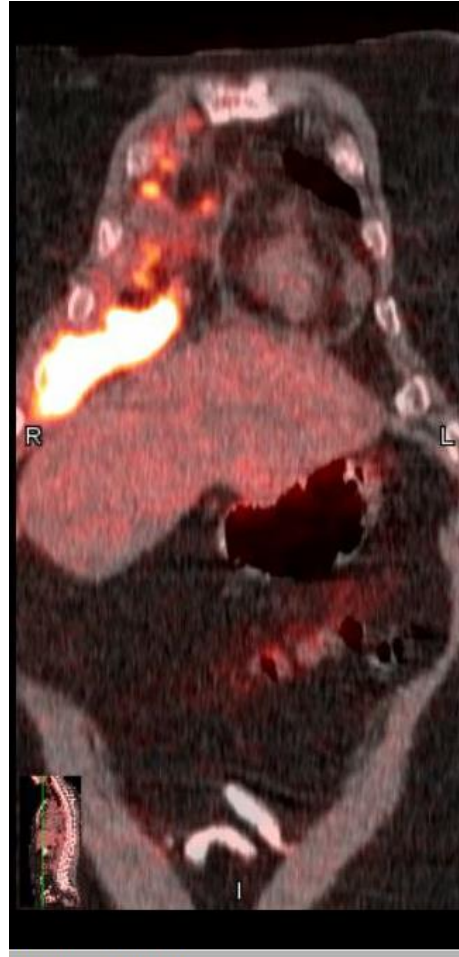
1. Standard of care to complete staging
2. Patient already has known metastatic disease and primary tumor was not identified on contrasted CT with voluminous effusion

3. Molecular studies

1. Standard of care with metastatic non-squamous non-small cell lung cancer
2. Recommended with metastatic squamous cell non-small cell lung cancer in never smokers
3. These should include but are not limited to EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, PD-L1, +/- NTRK.

Case Study 1: Additional Information

1. Brain MRI with and without contrast – negative for malignancy
2. PET/CT – as demonstrated
3. Molecular studies
 1. EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF non-mutated on tissue
 2. No driver aberrations on plasma
 3. PD-L1 TPS zero

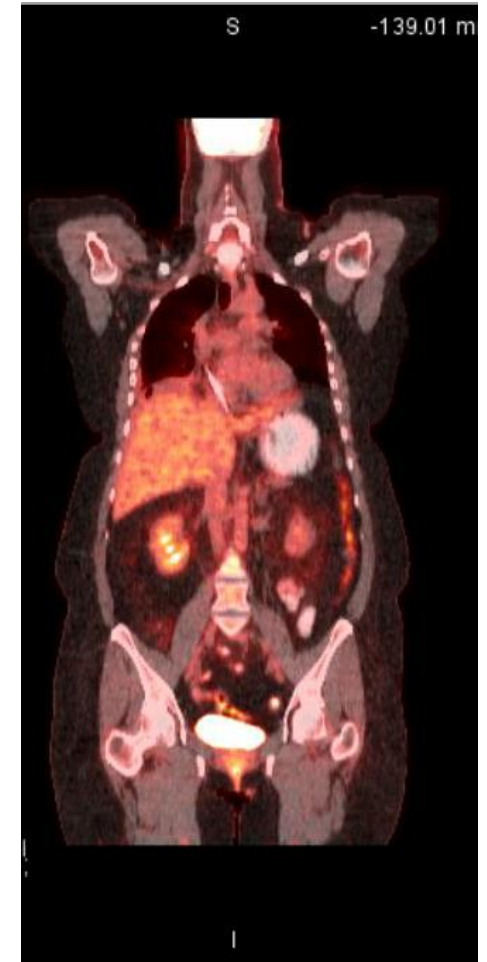
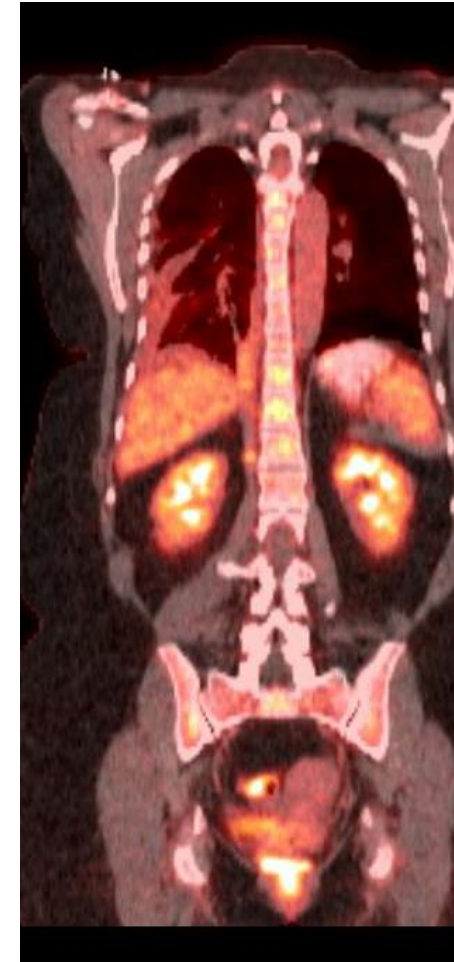
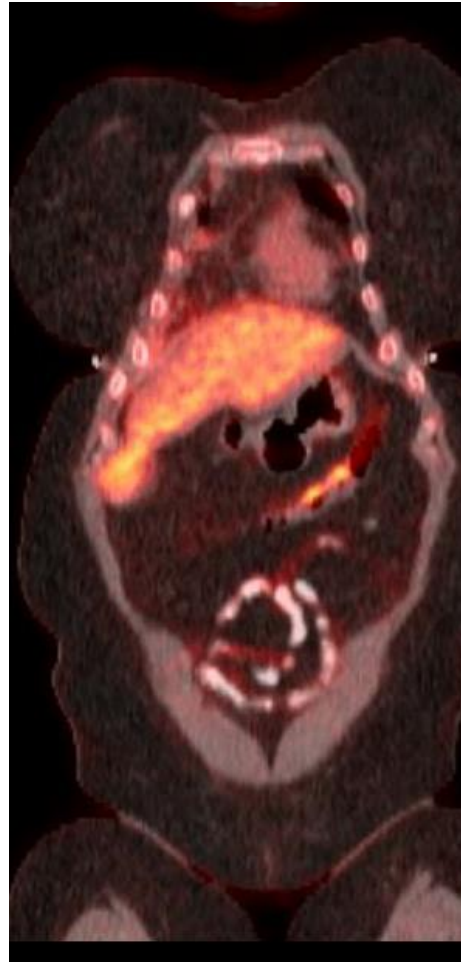


Case Study 1: What is the next step?

- A. Carboplatin-pemetrexed
 - A. Incorrect. This is no longer the standard of care.
- B. Pembrolizumab monotherapy
 - A. Incorrect. The PD-L1 TPS is zero.
- C. Carboplatin-pemetrexed-pembrolizumab
 - A. Correct. Based on KEYNOTE-189, this regimen can improve RR, PFS, OS regardless of PD-L1 TPS when compared with carboplatin-pemetrexed.
- D. Carboplatin-paclitaxel-bevacizumab-atezolizumab
 - A. Correct. Based on IMPOWER-150, this regimen can improve outcome regardless of PD-L1 TPS when compared with carbo-taxol-bevacizumab.
- E. EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitor
 - A. Incorrect. Just because she is a never smoker does not mean that she will respond to an EGFR TKI. There was no EGFR sensitizing mutation.
- F. Obtain more information prior to starting treatment
 - A. This is no indication for delay treatment in a symptomatic patient with the current information.
 - B. The cell block was sent for broader molecular sequencing and was not revealing.
- G. Pursue clinical trial
 - A. This is always an appropriate option.
 - B. She was excluded due to history of lymphoma.
- H. Provide other supportive interventions
 - A. Consulting palliative medicine, nutrition, social work, navigation, integrative medicine is always an appropriate option.
 - B. She had no indication for palliative radiation. She did have a pleural based catheter placed.

Case Study 1: Results

- This patient was diagnosed on 3/30/2017.
- The data from IMPOWER150 were not available.
- She was treated with four cycles of pembrolizumab-carboplatin-pemetrexed.
- She then transitioned to pembrolizumab-pemetrexed maintenance.
- She completed 35 cycles of pembrolizumab.
- She continued pemetrexed maintenance.



Case Study 2

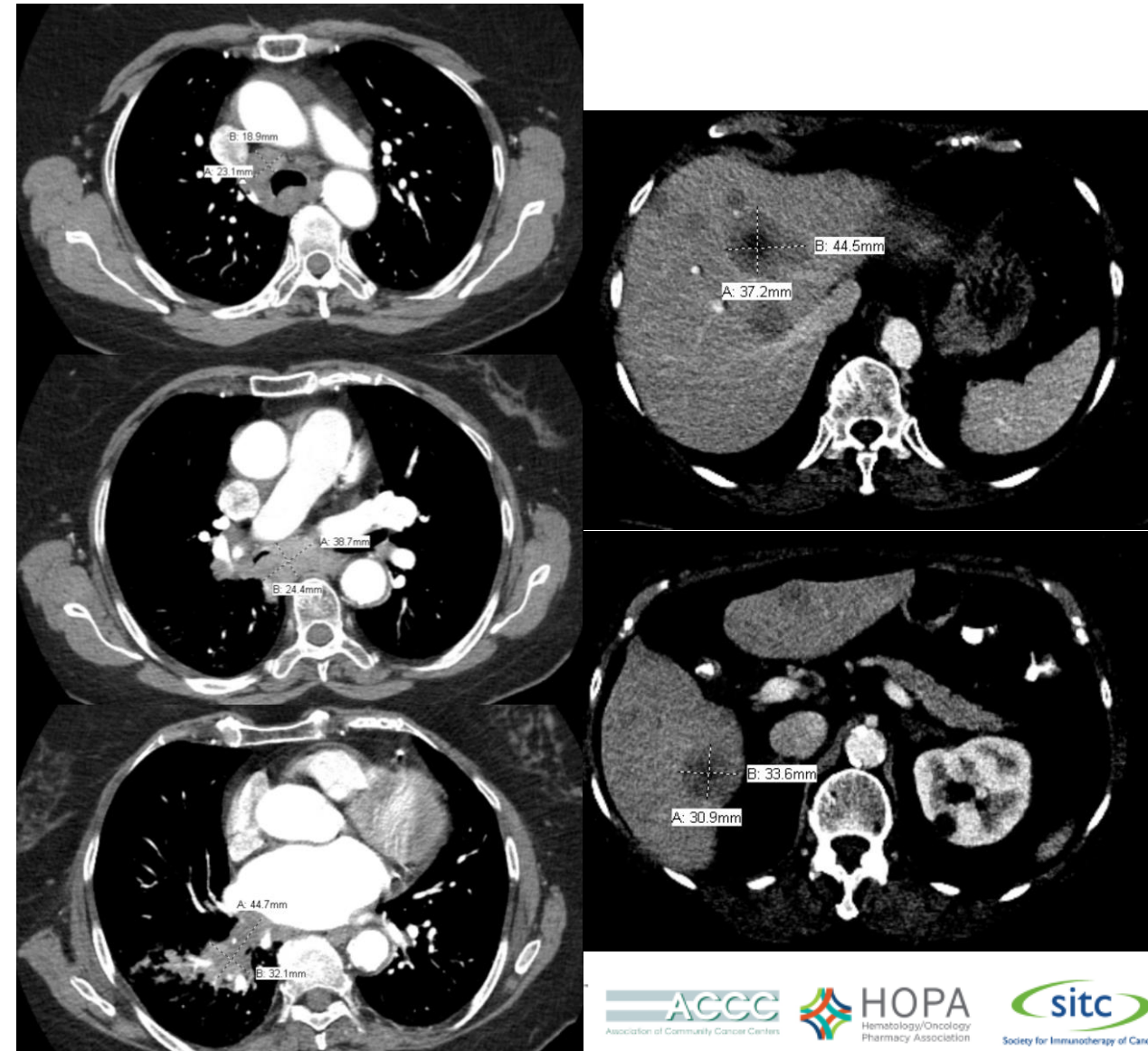
- 78-year-old female with a history of hypertension and hyperlipidemia presents with a new diagnosis of extensive stage small cell lung cancer.
- She smoked 2 packs of cigarettes daily for 20 years and quit in 1990.
- She initially presented with unresolving cough and progressive dyspnea.
- CT angiogram of the chest was negative for pulmonary embolus but revealed a right lung mass, adenopathy, post-obstructive consolidation and metastatic findings in the subcutaneous tissue and liver.
- She underwent endobronchial ultrasound with biopsy via bronchoscopy and pathology was consistent with small cell lung cancer (Positive IHC for Synaptophysin, Cytokeratin Cam 5.2, CD56 and TTF-1).

Case Study 2: What additional information do you need?

- Brain MRI with and without contrast
 - Standard of care to complete staging
- CT abdomen/pelvis with contrast
 - Standard of care to complete staging
- PET/CT
 - Not required if extensive stage is already established but recommended and if not available, then bone scan may be used to identify metastases
- Labs including sodium
 - SIADH and other paraneoplastic processes are not uncommon in small cell lung cancer
- PD-L1 TPS
 - No indication for PD-L1 TPS or TMB testing in small cell lung cancer
- ECOG PS
 - Good PS (0-2) and poor PS (3-4) due to SCLC should be treated per standard

Case Study 2: Additional Information

1. Brain MRI with and without contrast – negative for malignancy
2. CT abdomen/pelvis – confirmed extensive metastatic disease in liver; negative for bone involvement
3. PET/CT – not completed
4. Sodium – 141 (normal)
5. ECOG PS – one

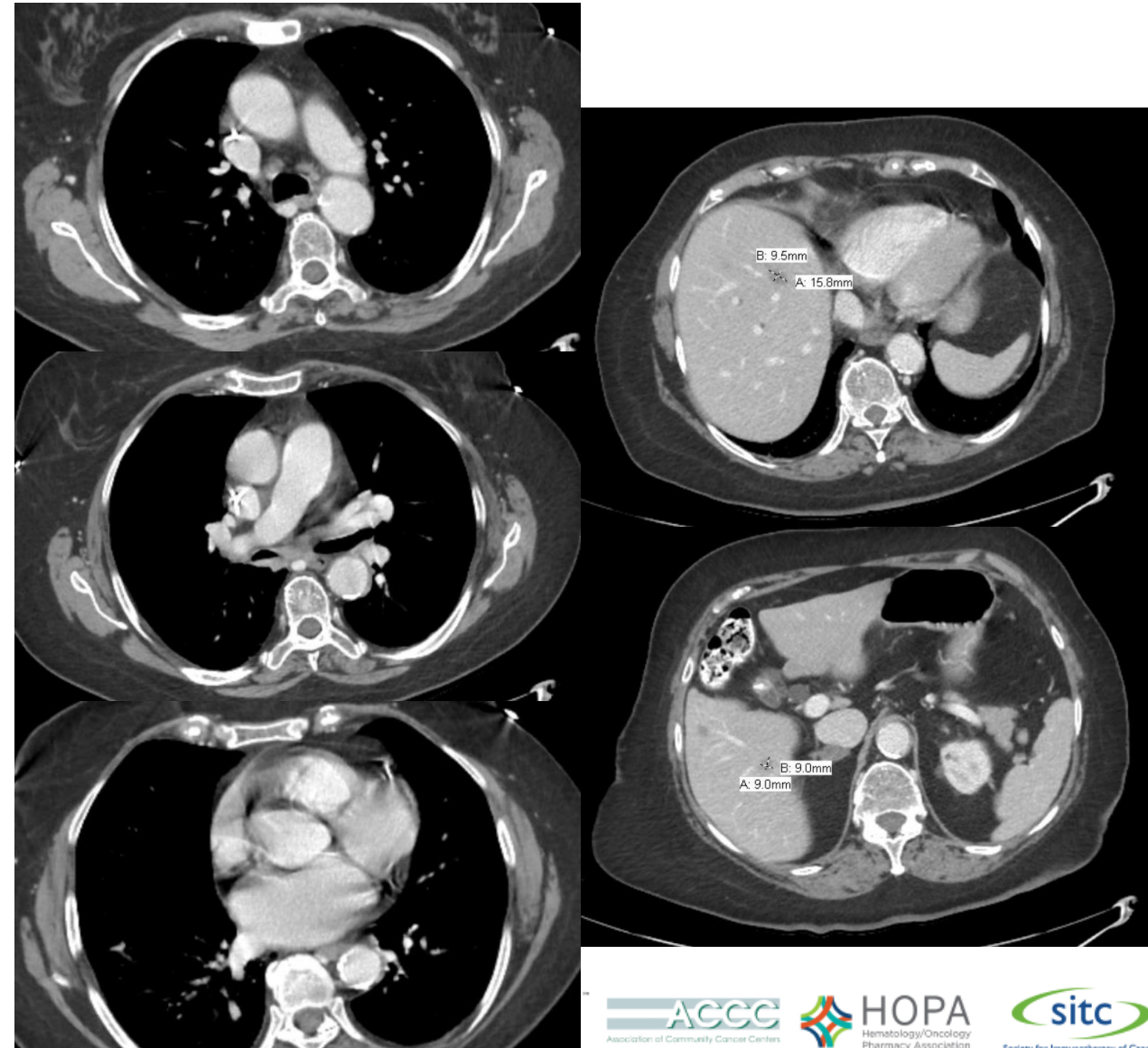


Case Study 2: What is the next step?

- A. Carboplatin-etoposide
 - A. Incorrect. This is no longer the preferred standard of care, however it remains an appropriate first line treatment option.
- B. Carboplatin-etoposide-atezolizumab
 - A. Correct. Based on IMPOWER133, this regimen can improve PFS, OS regardless of PD-L1 TPS when compared with carboplatin-etoposide.
 - B. However based on cost analyses, potential toxicities, and still challenging outcomes, it has been slow for wide adoption.
- C. Platinum-etoposide-durvalumab
 - A. Although listed in NCCN guidelines based on the CASPIAN trial (Paz-Ares et al, The Lancet 10/4/2019), this regimen does not yet have FDA approval.
- D. Pursue clinical trial
 - A. This is always an appropriate option.
- E. Provide other supportive interventions
 - A. Consulting palliative medicine, nutrition, social work, navigation, integrative medicine is always an appropriate option.
 - B. She had no indication for palliative radiation.

Case Study 2: Results

- This patient received carboplatin-etoposide-atezolizumab.
- After four cycles, she transitioned to atezolizumab maintenance.
- She declined prophylactic cranial irradiation.



Thank you for your attention.