

Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Lung Cancer

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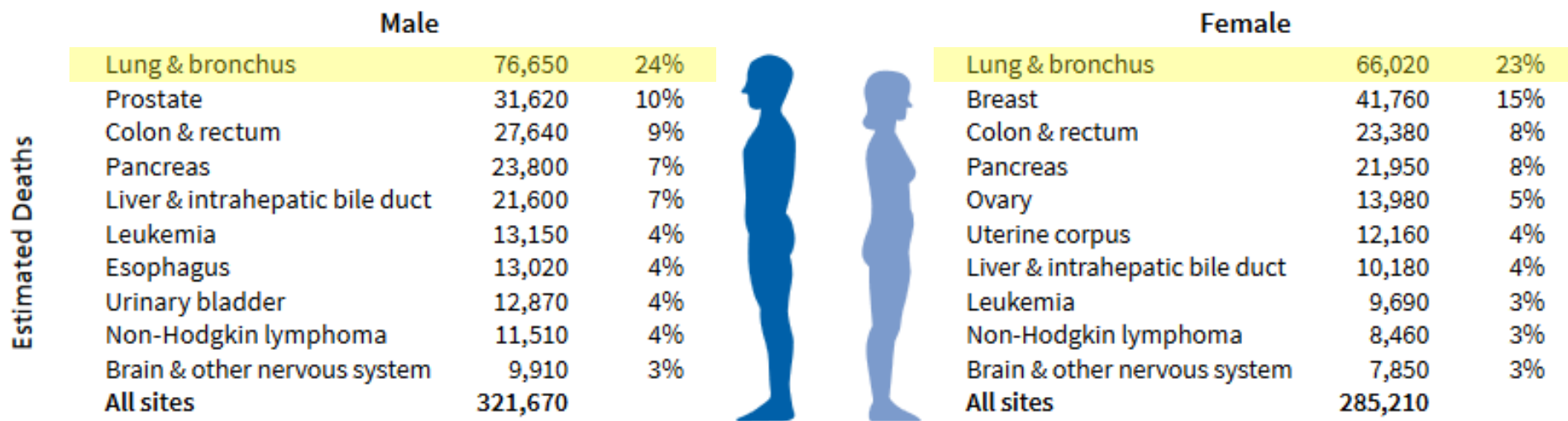
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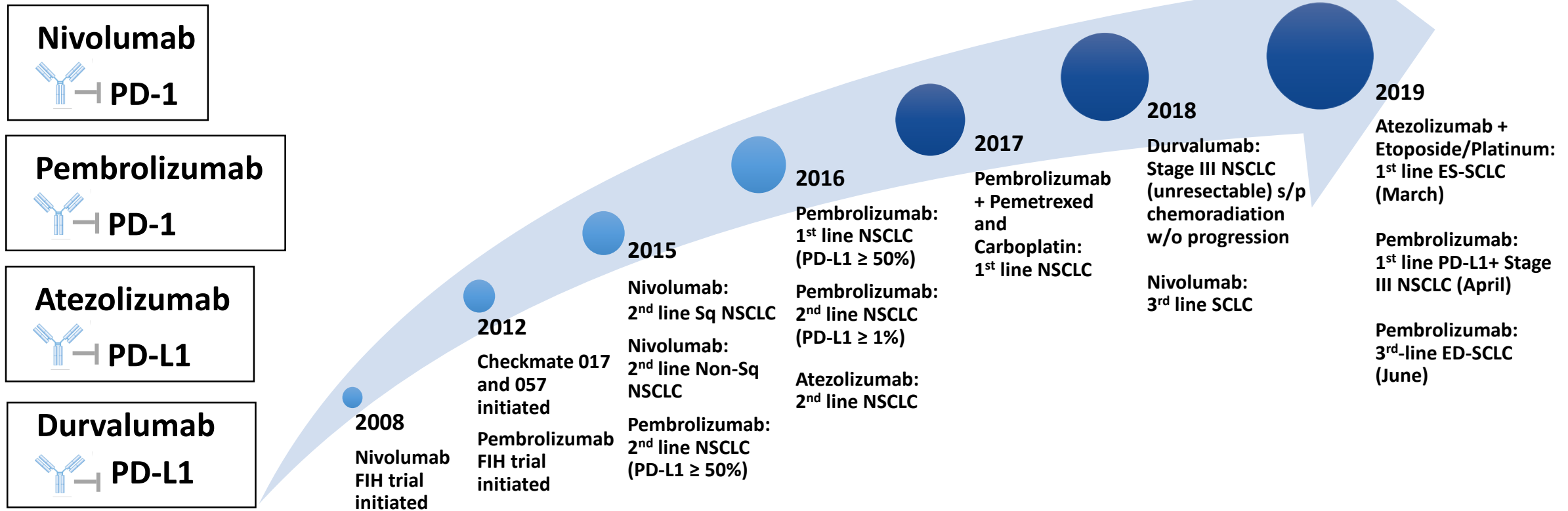
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Lung cancer

- 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



Approved checkpoint inhibitors in NSCLC

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Nivolumab	2015	Metastatic Squamous NSCLC with progression after chemotherapy (2 nd line)	240 mg Q2W or 480 mg Q4W
	2015	Metastatic Non-Squamous NSCLC with progression after chemotherapy (2 nd line)	

Approved checkpoint inhibitors in NSCLC

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Pembrolizumab	2015	Metastatic NSCLC with progression after chemotherapy and PD-L1 $\geq$ 50%	200 mg Q3W
	2016	Metastatic NSCLC with progression after chemotherapy and PD-L1 $\geq$ 1%	
	2016	1 st line metastatic NSCLC with PD-L1 TPS $\geq$ 50%	
	2019	1 st line stage III NSCLC (not candidate for resection or definitive chemoradiation) and Metastatic NSCLC, with PD-L1 TPS $\geq$ 1% and no EGFR/ALK mutations	
Pembrolizumab + pemetrexed & carboplatin	2017	1 st line metastatic Non-Squamous NSCLC	
Pembrolizumab + pemetrexed + platinum	2018	1 st line metastatic Non-Squamous NSCLC with no EGFR/ALK mutations	
Pembrolizumab + carboplatin + paclitaxel/nab-paclitaxel	2018	1 st line metastatic Squamous NSCLC	

Approved checkpoint inhibitors in NSCLC

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	2016	Metastatic NSCLC with progression after Pt-chemotherapy and targeted therapy if EGFR/ALK mutation-positive	840 mg Q2W, 1200 mg Q3W, or 1680 mg Q4W
Atezolizumab + bevacizumab + paclitaxel + carboplatin	2018	1 st line metastatic non-squamous NSCLC with no EGFR/ALK mutations	For 4-6 cycles: atezolizumab 1200 mg Q3W + chemotherapy + bevacizumab Maintenance: 840 mg Q2W, 1200 mg Q3W, or 1680 mg Q4W
Durvalumab	2018	Stage III NSCLC, ineligible for surgery and without progression after chemoradiation	10 mg/kg Q2W

Treatment Naïve Regimens: Competing Strategies in NSCLC

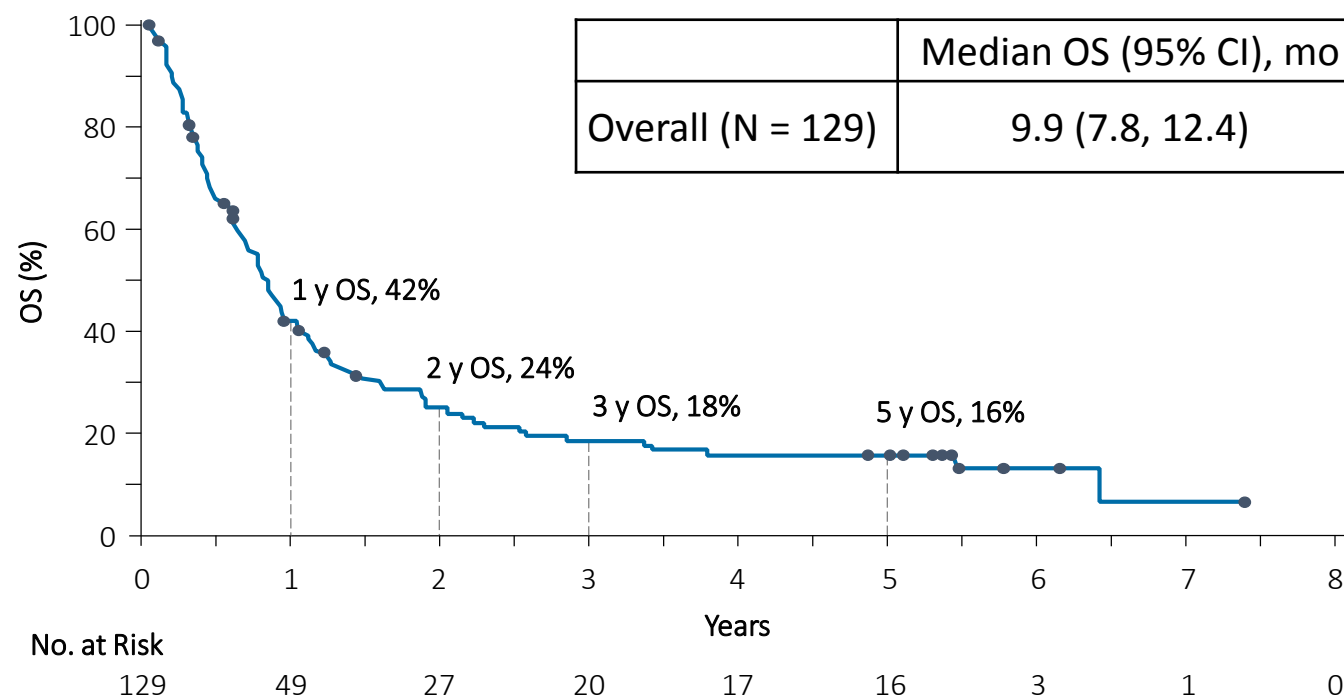
- **KEYNOTE 024** – Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy in PD-L1 $\geq$ 50%
- **KEYNOTE 042** – Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy in PD-L1 $\geq$ 1%
- **KEYNOTE 189** – Pembrolizumab + Chemotherapy vs. Chemotherapy alone in advanced non-squamous NSCLC
- **IMPOWER 150** – Atezolizumab + Chemotherapy (Bev) vs.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

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%

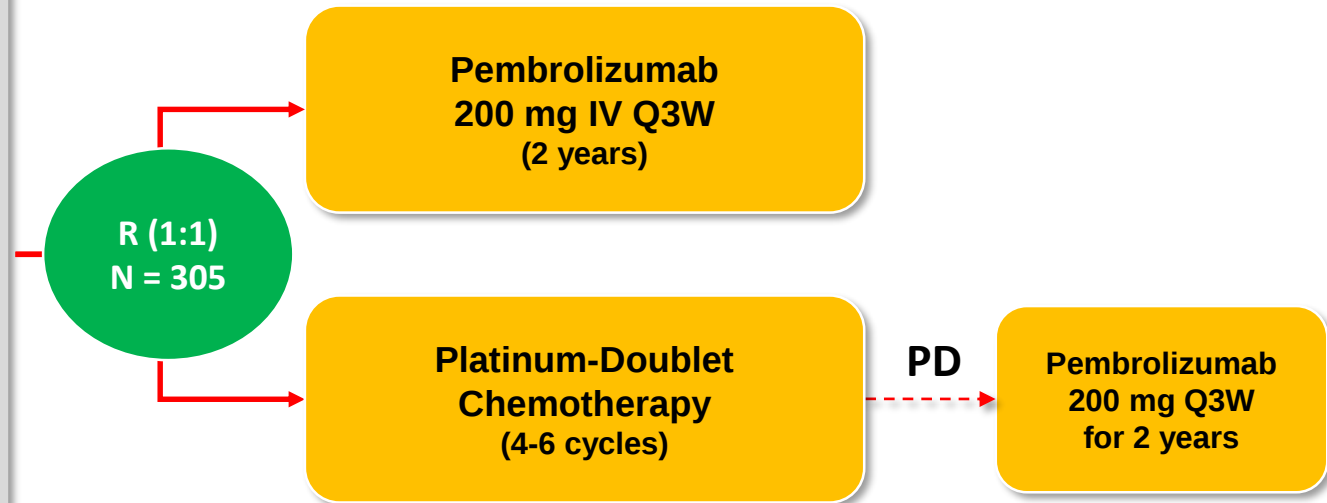
5-Year Survival



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

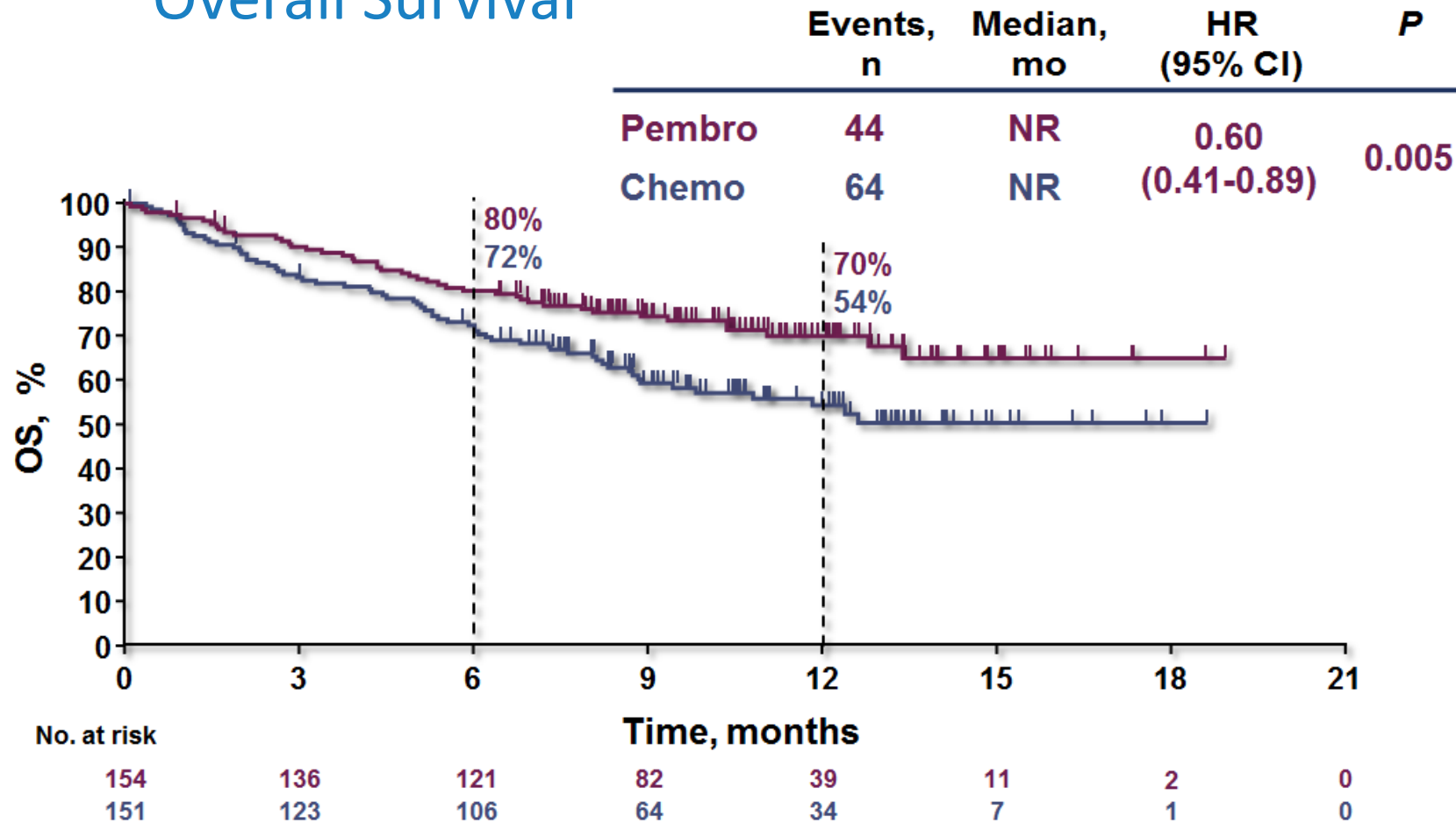
Key Eligibility Criteria

- **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

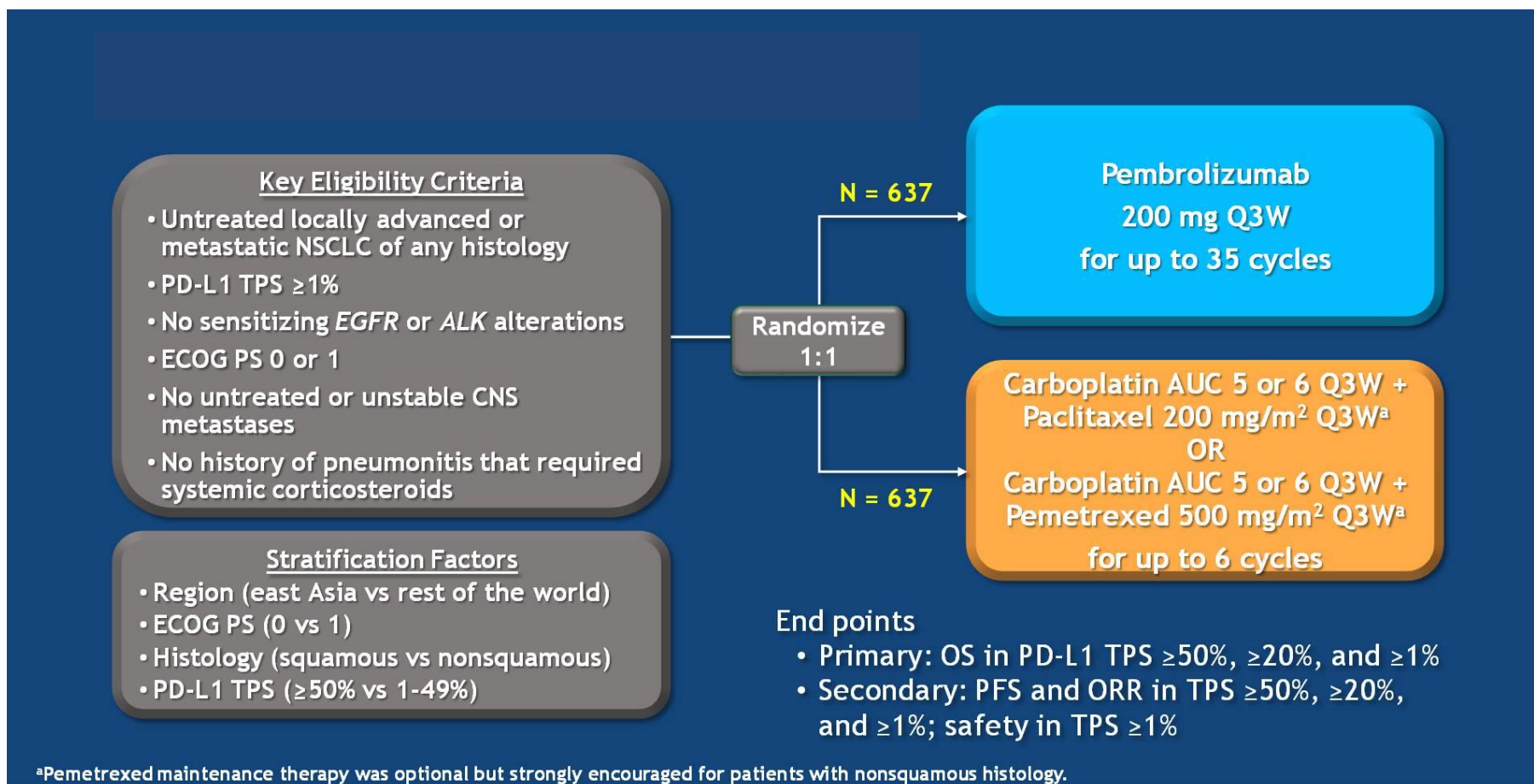


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Overall Survival



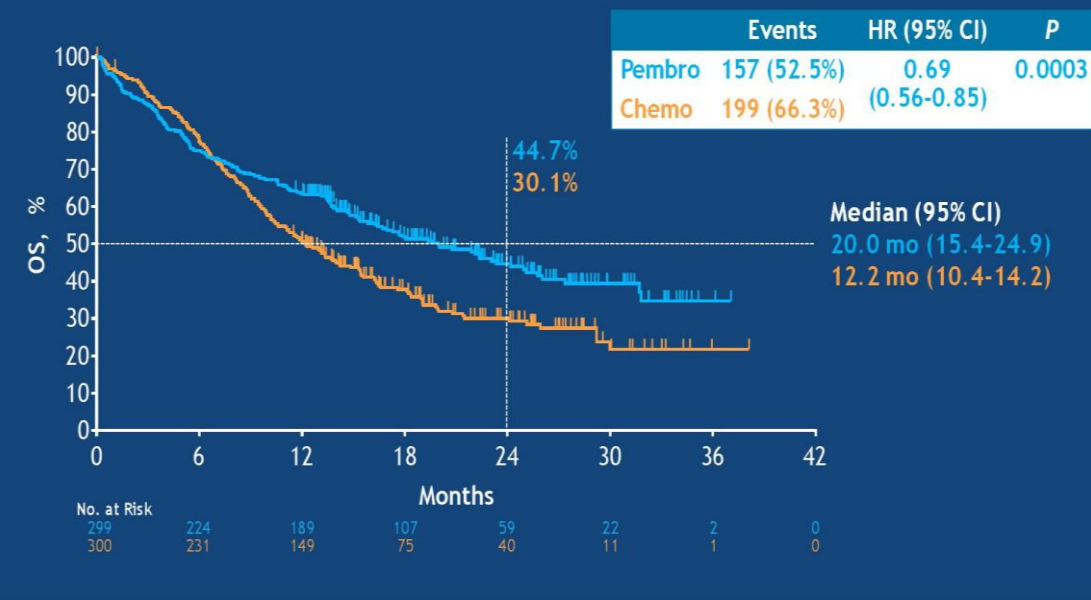
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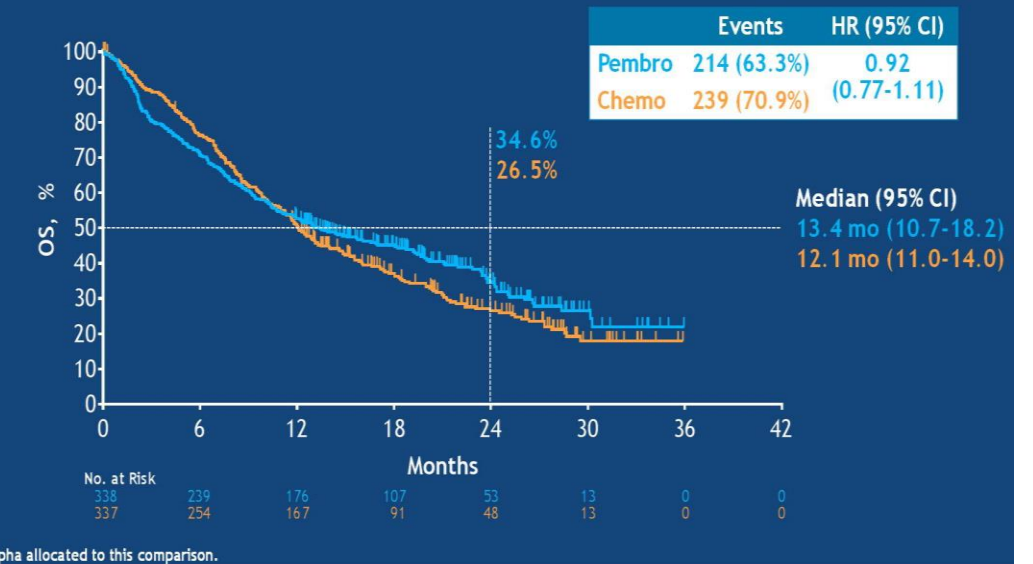
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Overall Survival: TPS $\geq 50\%$

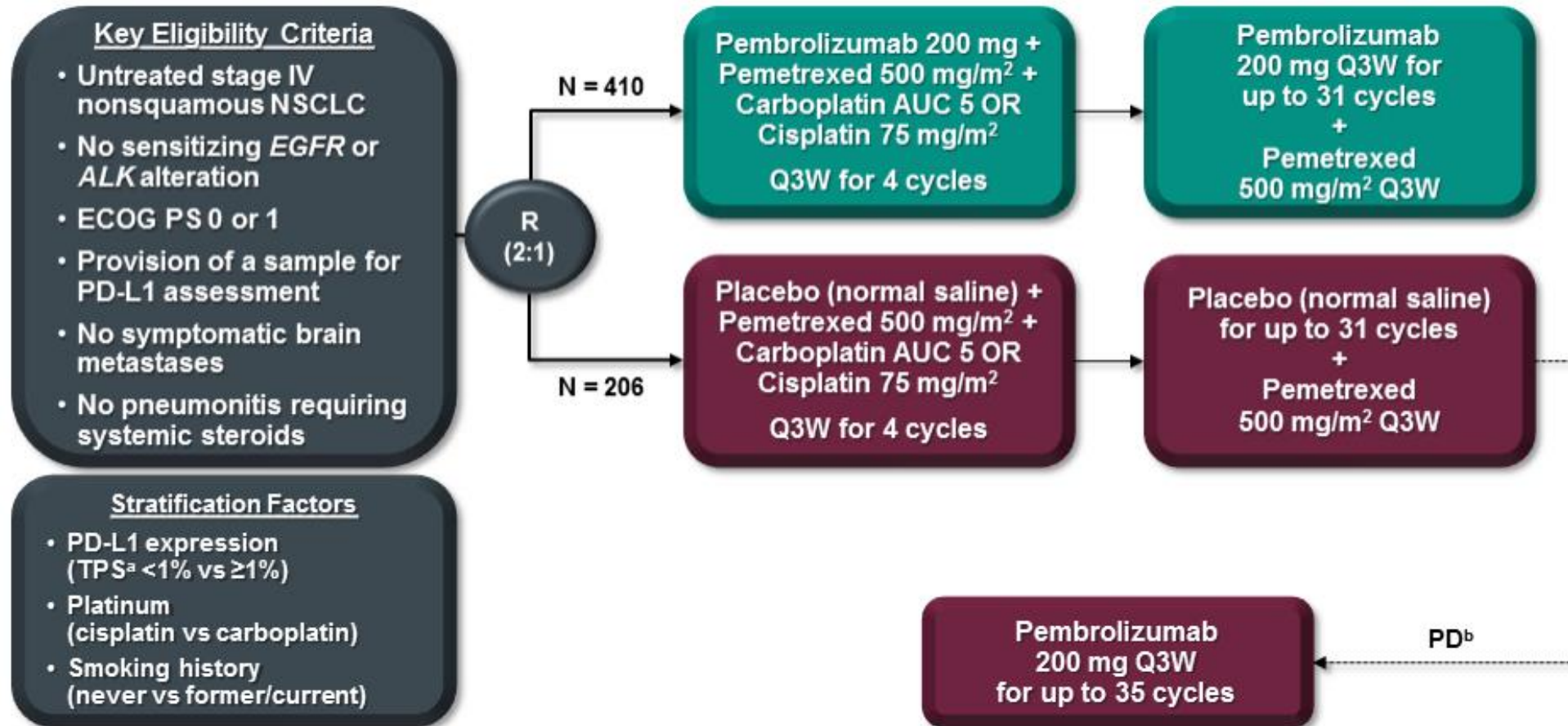


Overall Survival: TPS $\geq 1-49\%$ (Exploratory Analysis^a)

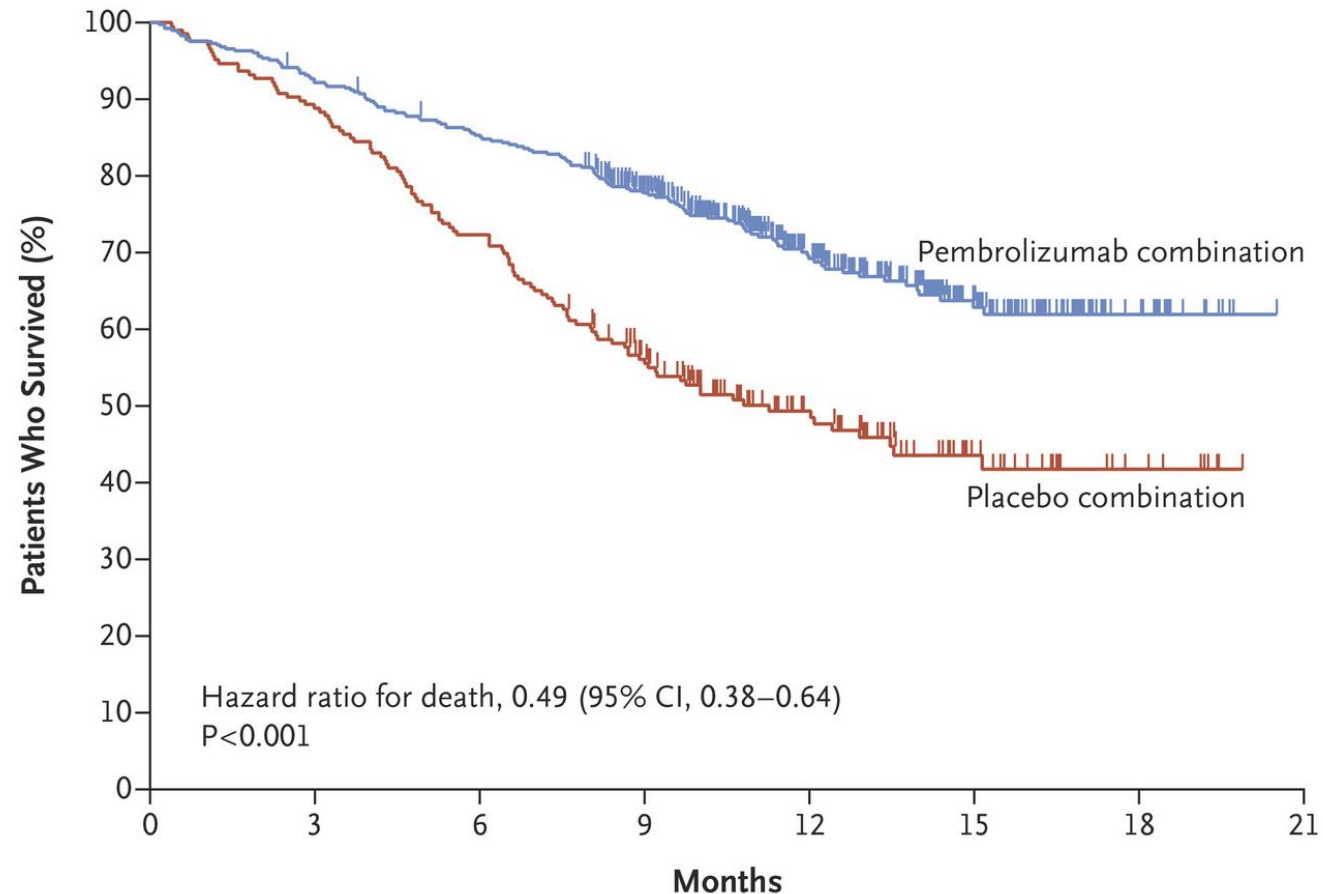


Survival benefit seemed to be driven by the TPS $\geq 50\%$ subset with little benefit witnessed in the subset TPS = 1 - 49%

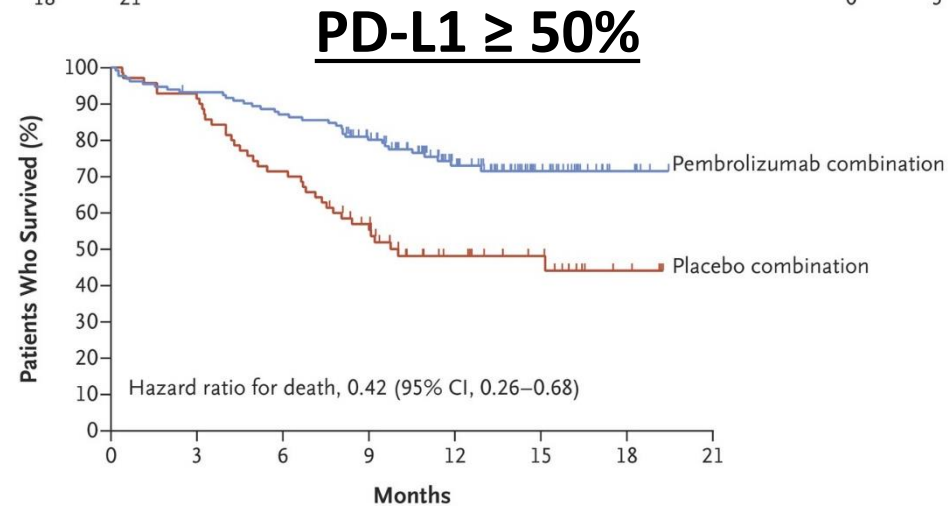
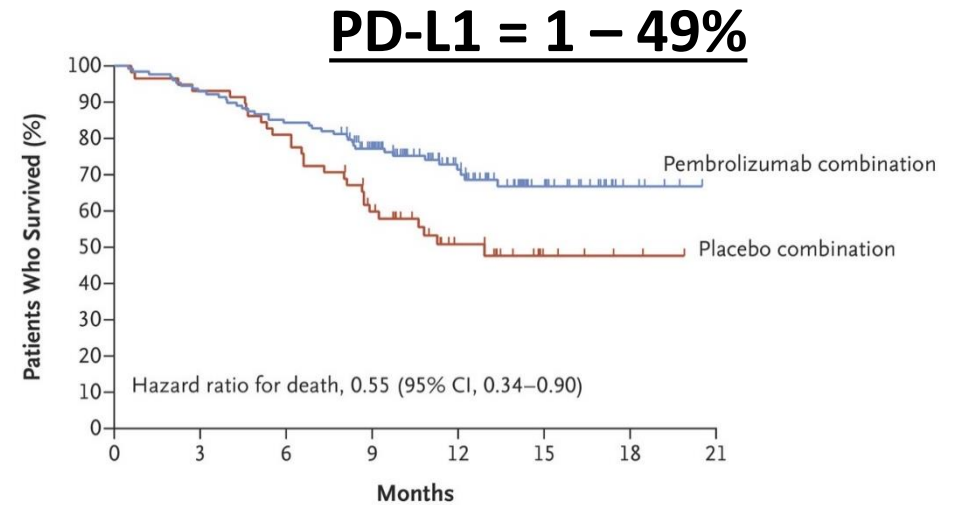
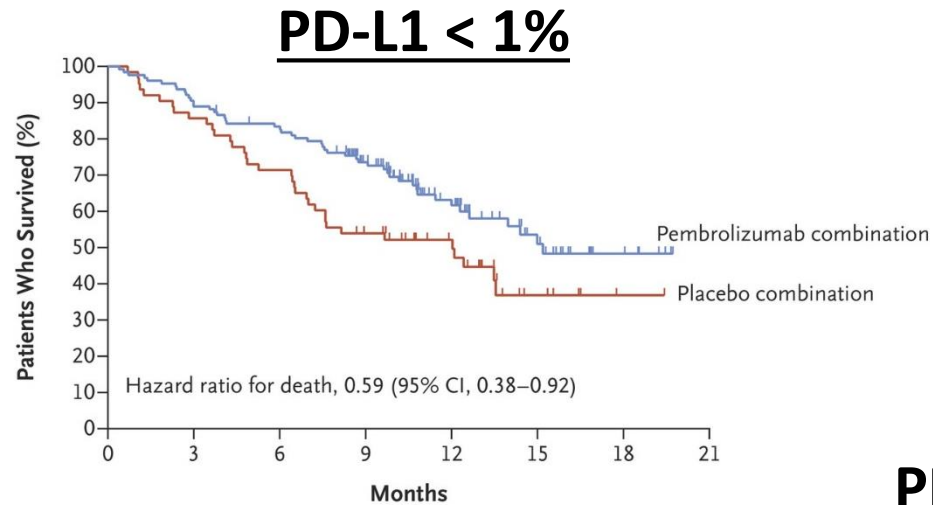
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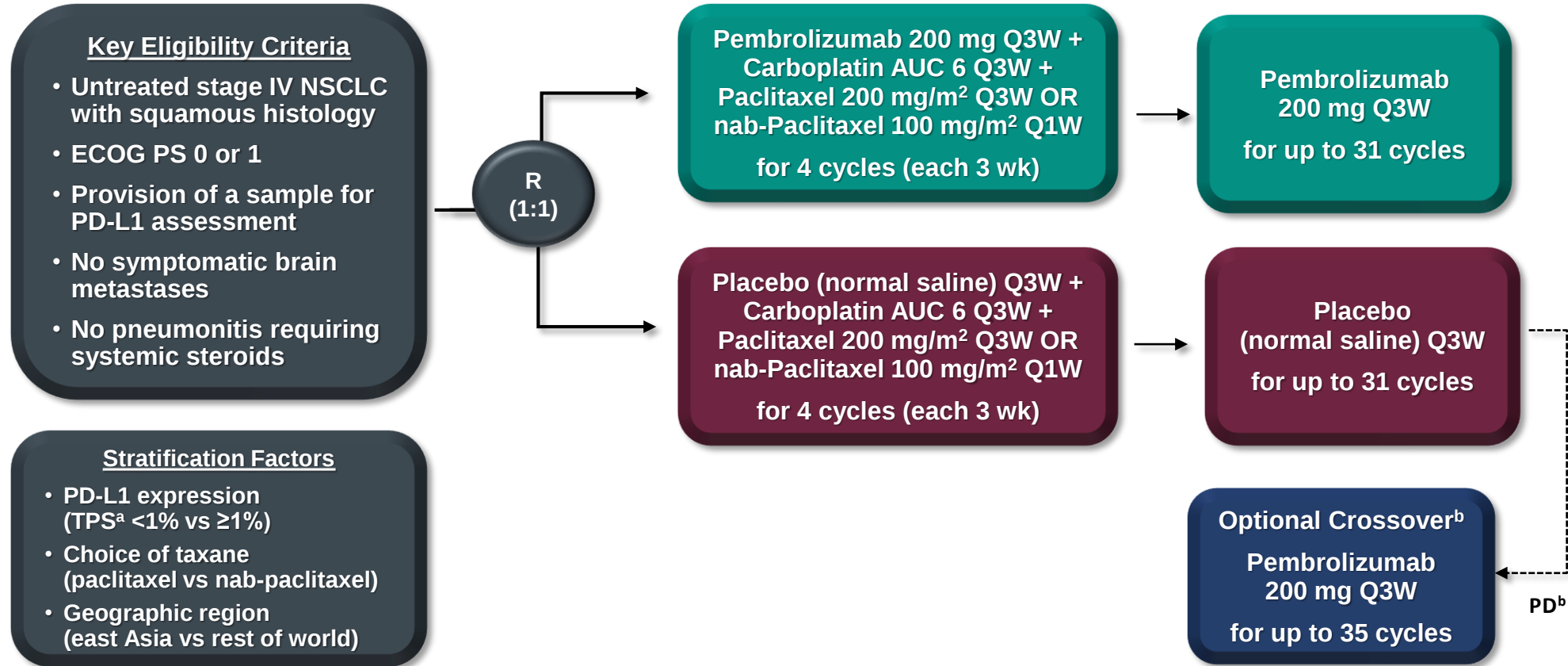
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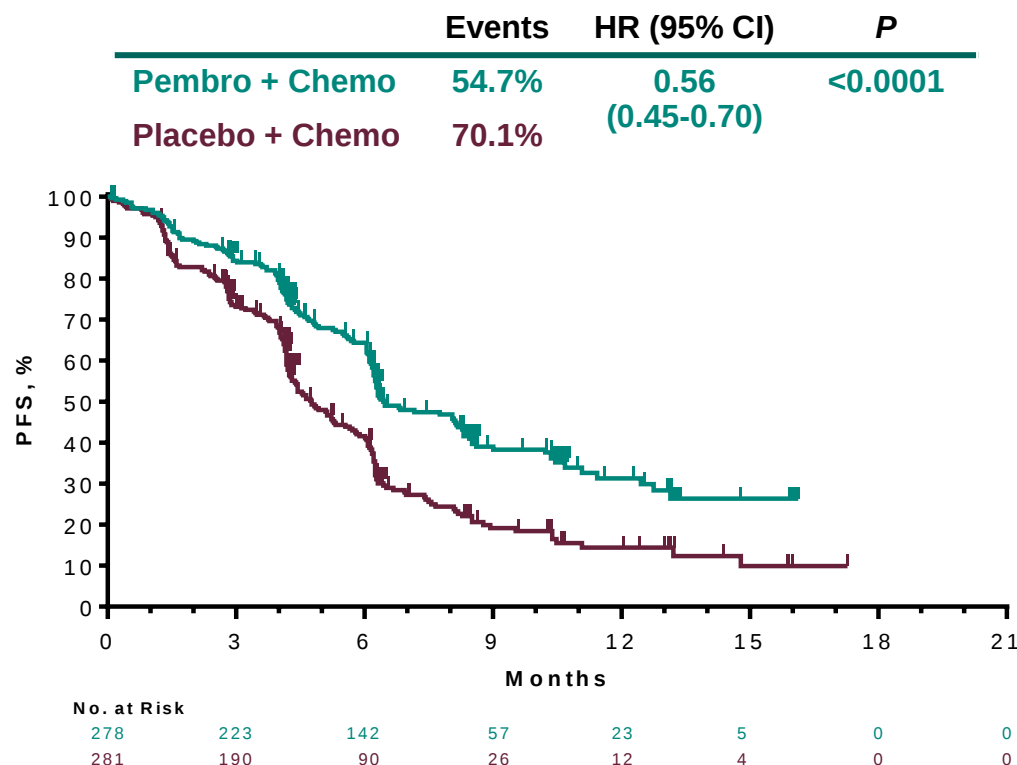


KEYNOTE-407: Pembrolizumab/Chemotherapy vs Chemotherapy Alone for Advanced Squamous-Cell NSCLC

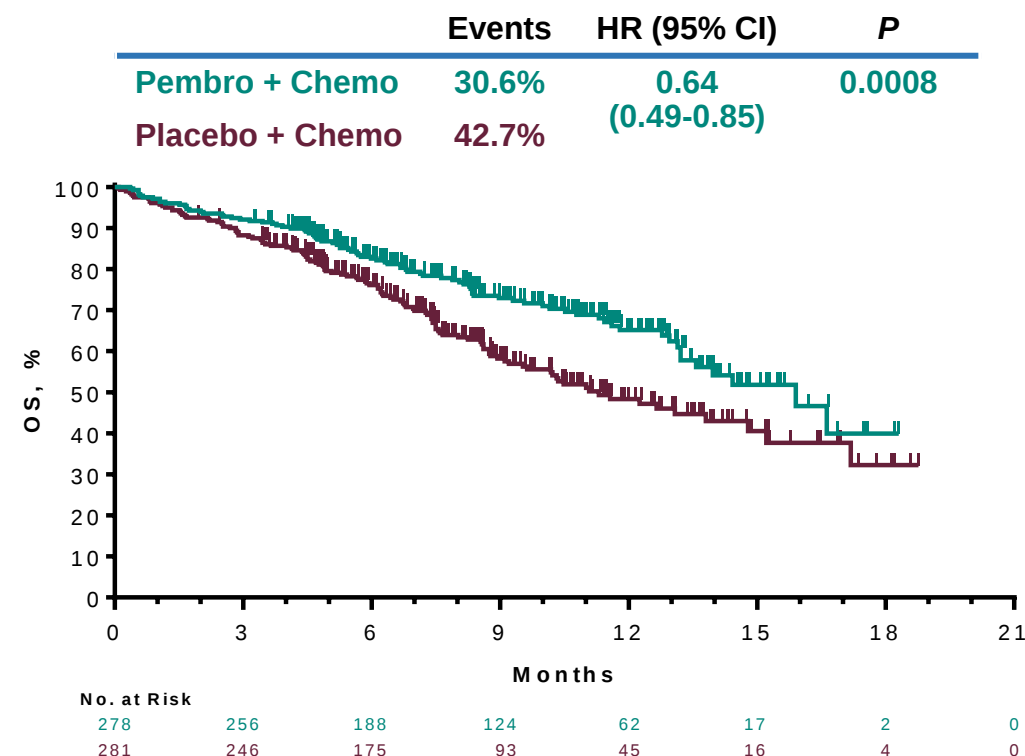


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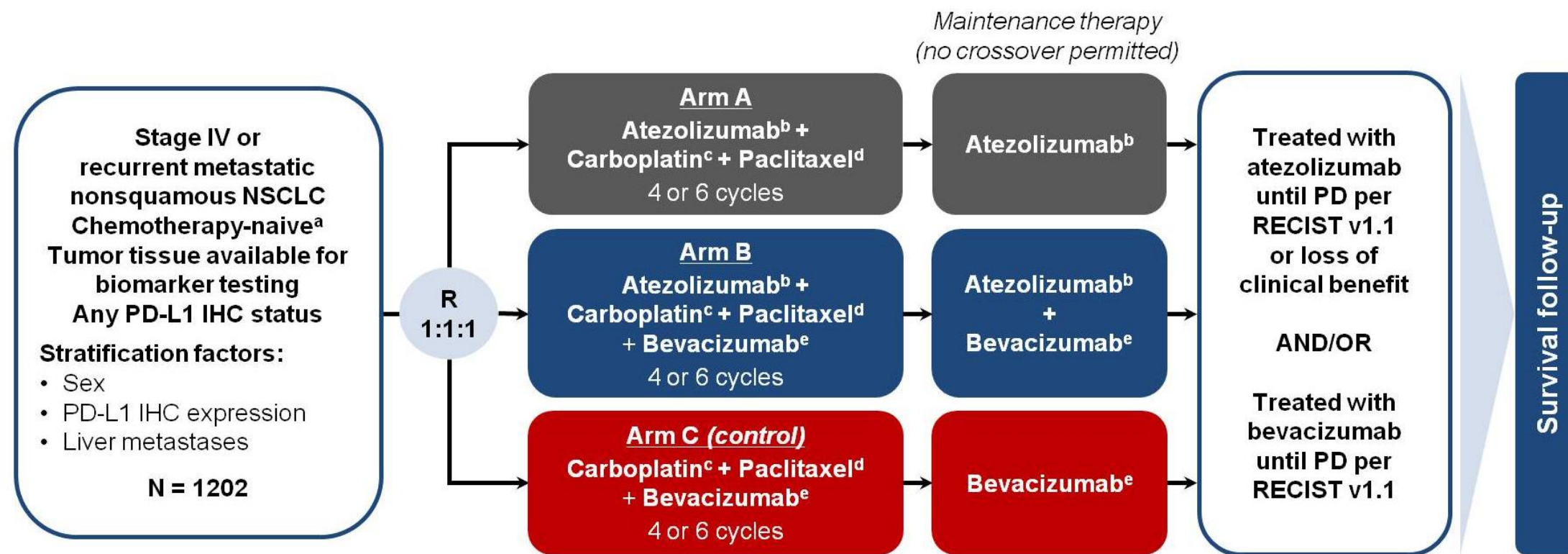
PFS (RECISTv1.1, BICR)



Overall Survival



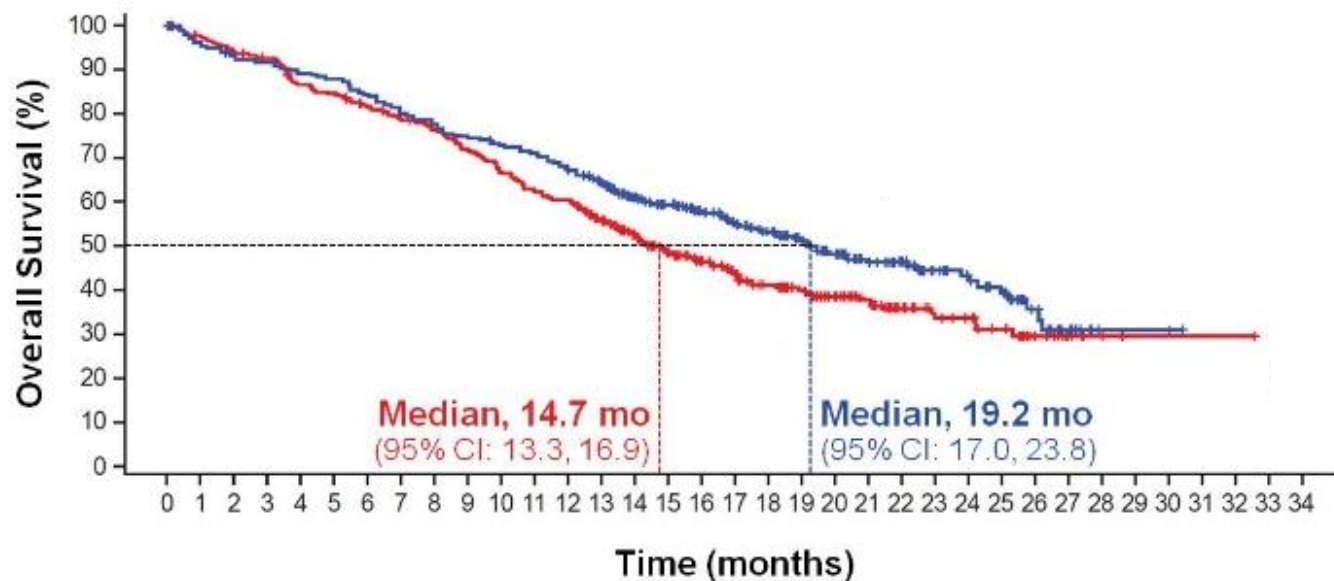
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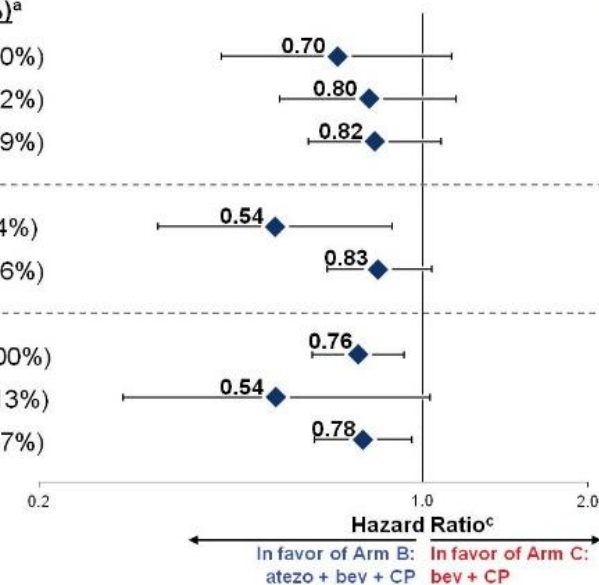
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Landmark OS, %	Arm B: atezo + bev + CP	Arm C: bev + CP
12-month	67%	61%
18-month	53%	41%
24-month	43%	34%

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

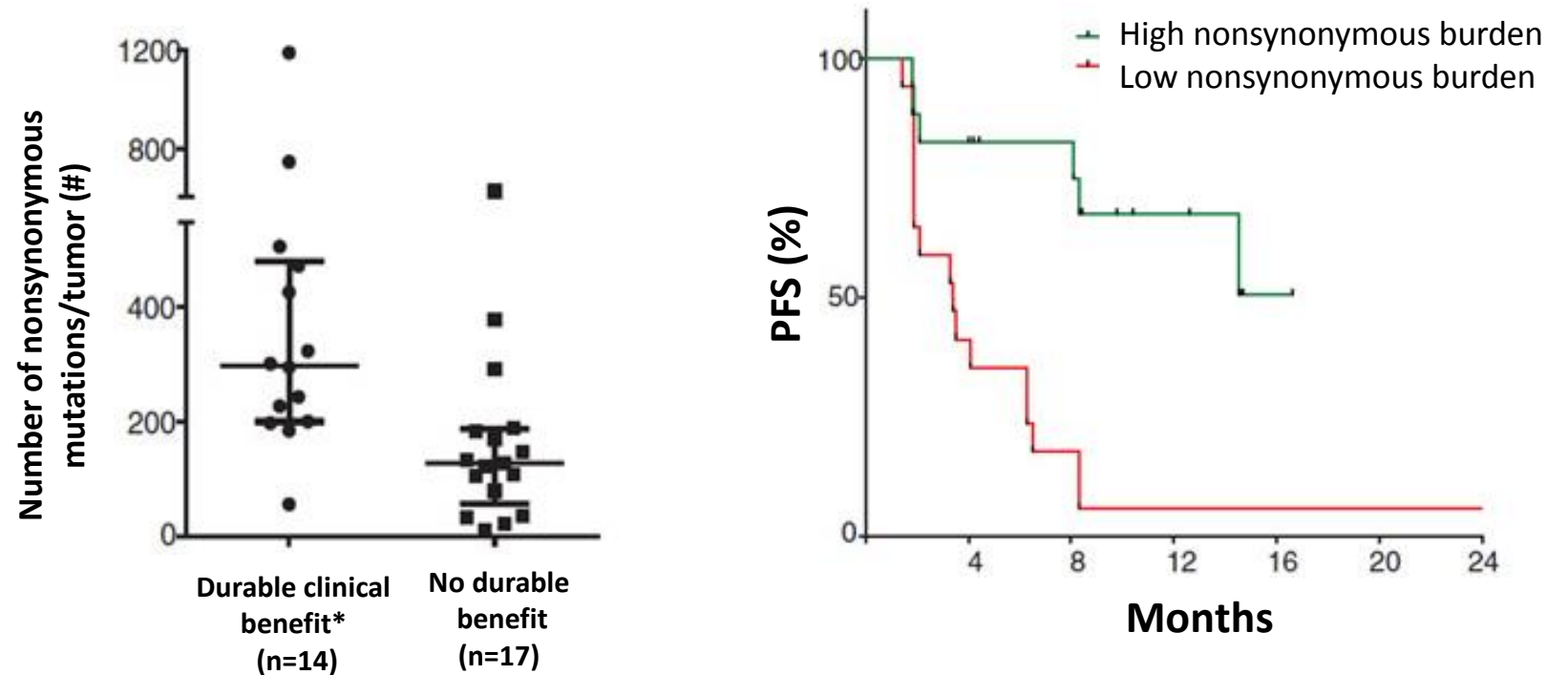


Subgroup	n (%) ^a
PD-L1–High (TC3 or IC3) WT	136 (20%)
PD-L1–Low (TC1/2 or IC1/2) WT	226 (32%)
PD-L1–Negative (TC0 and IC0) WT	339 (49%)
Liver Metastases WT	94 (14%)
No Liver Metastases WT	602 (86%)
ITT (including EGFR/ALK+)	800 (100%)
EGFR/ALK+ only	104 ^b (13%)
ITT-WT	696 (87%)



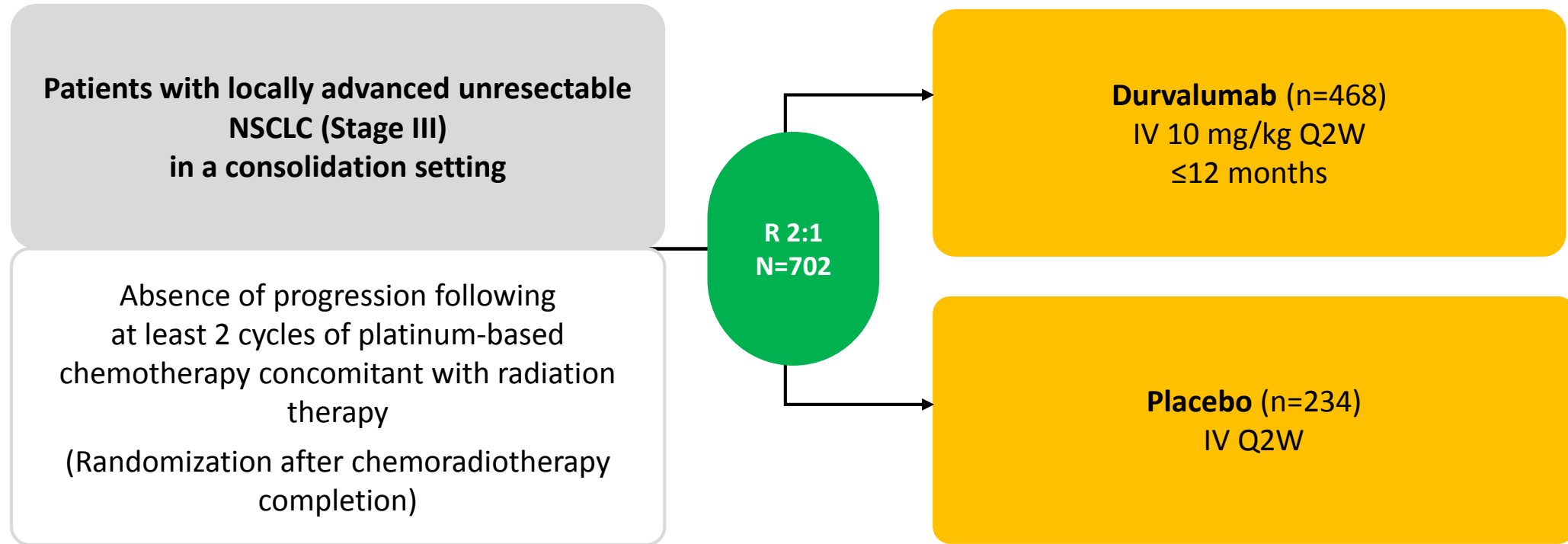
Tumor Mutational Burden (TMB) may Determine Sensitivity to PD-1 Blockade in NSCLC

In two independent cohorts, higher nonsynonymous tumor mutational burden (TMB) was associated with improved objective response, durable clinical benefit, and PFS.

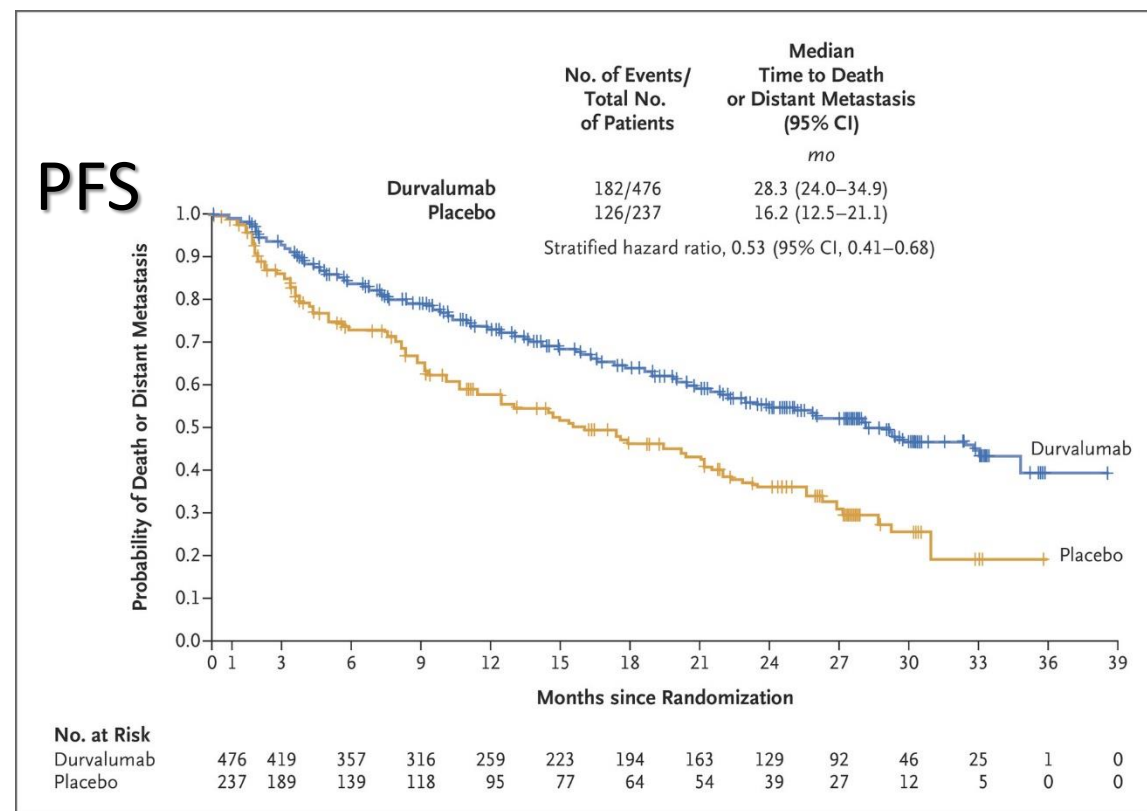
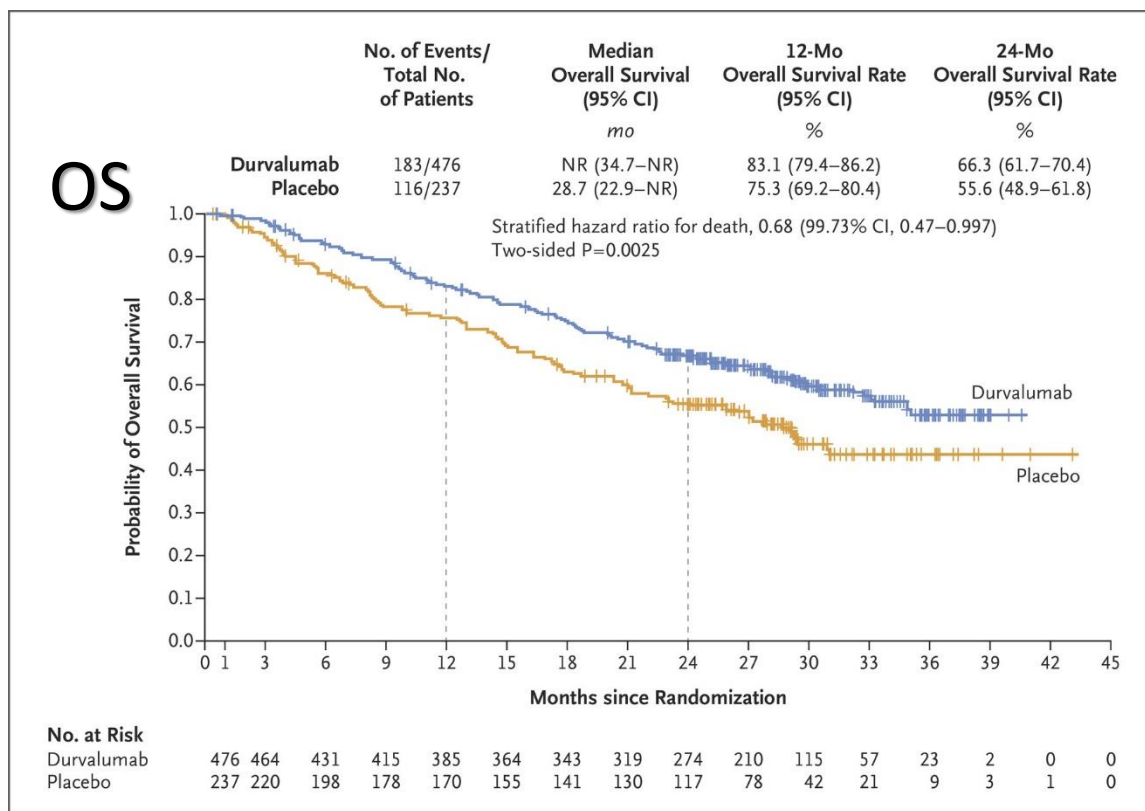


*Partial or stable response lasting > 6 mo

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

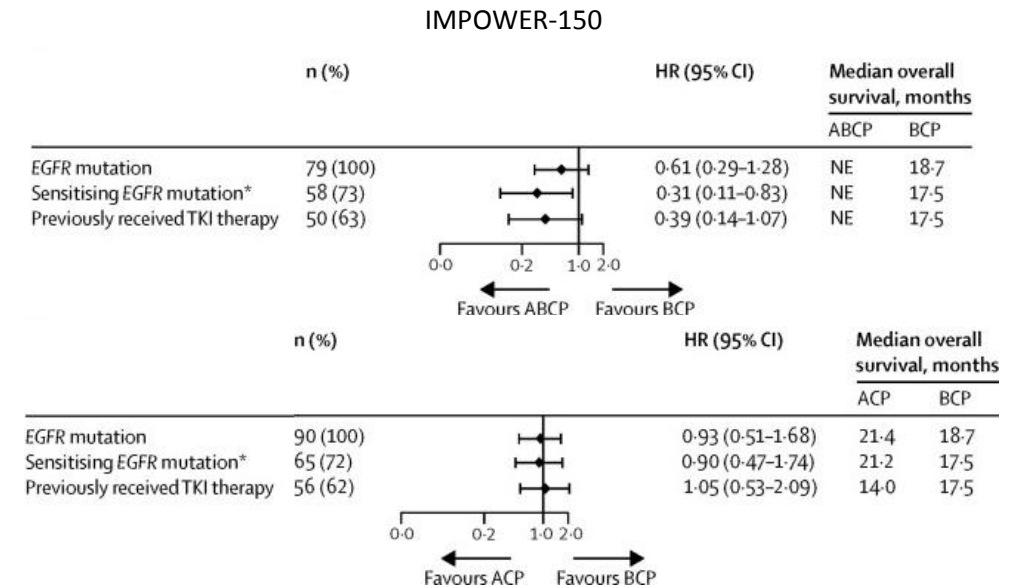
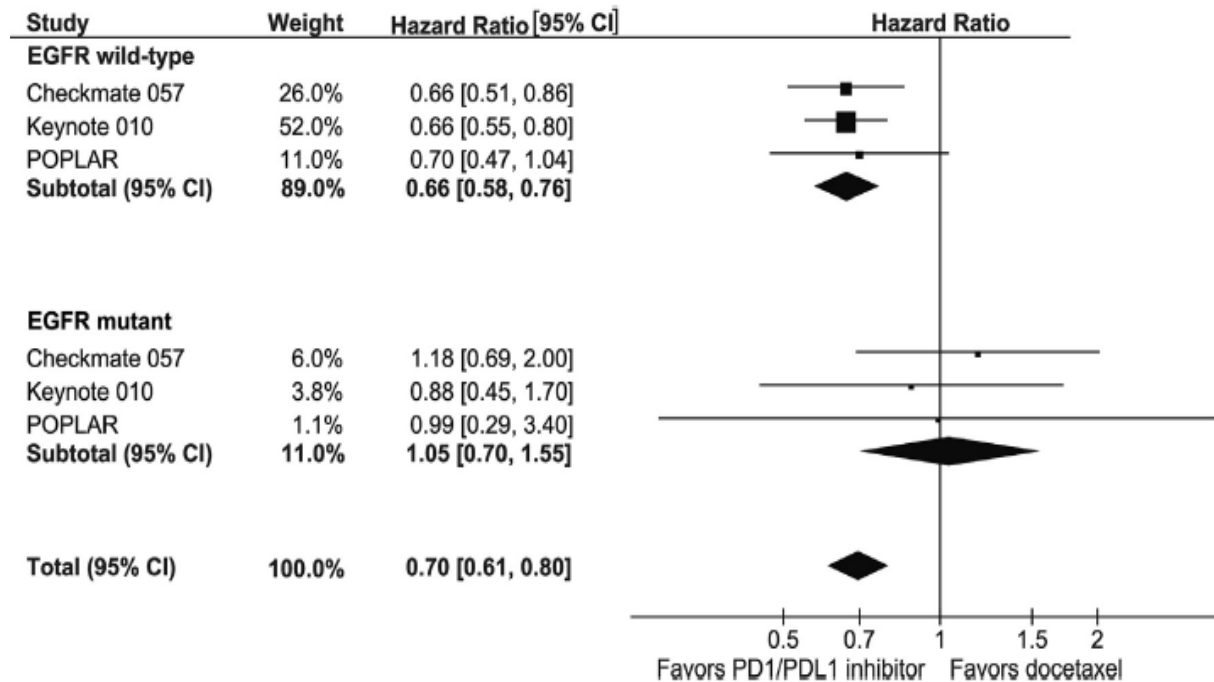


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Checkpoint Inhibitors in Metastatic EGFR-Mutated NSCLC

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

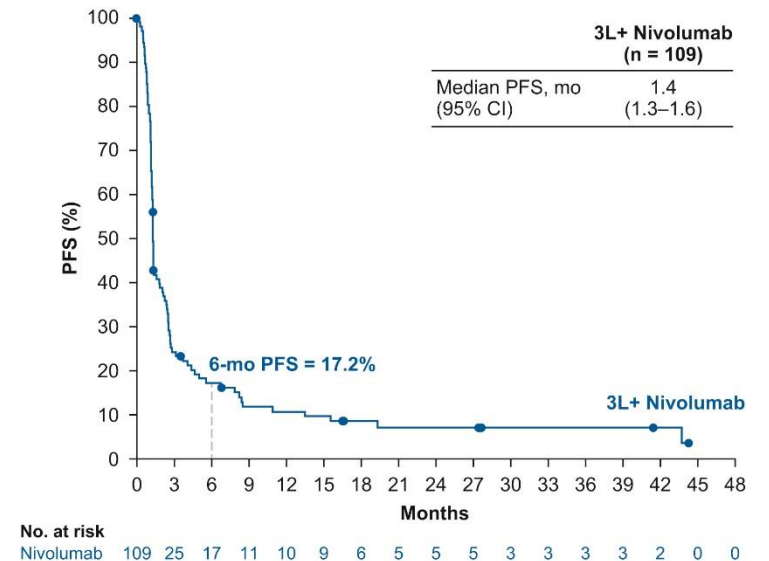
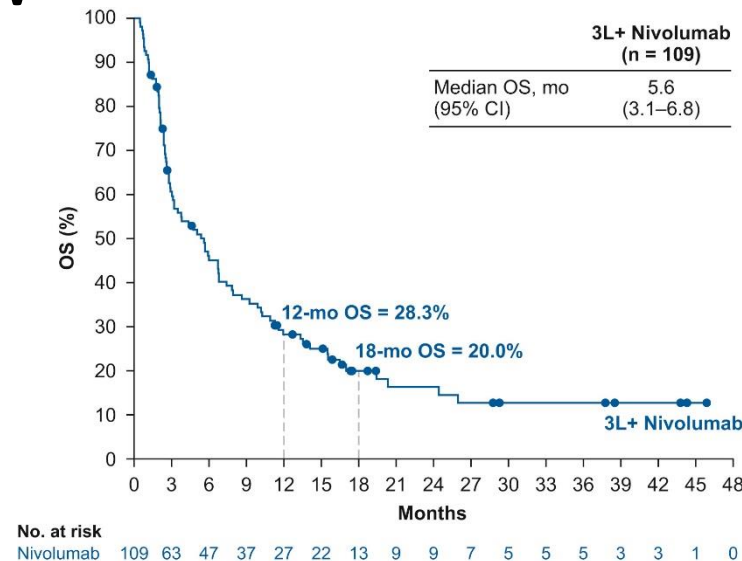
- 10-15% of lung cancers
- Almost exclusively former/current smokers
- Median survival 1-2 years after diagnosis
- Until recently, only one FDA-approved 2nd line option: topotecan – DOR: 3.3 months
- Recent approvals of immunotherapies mark the first progress in decades

Approved checkpoint inhibitors in SCLC

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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

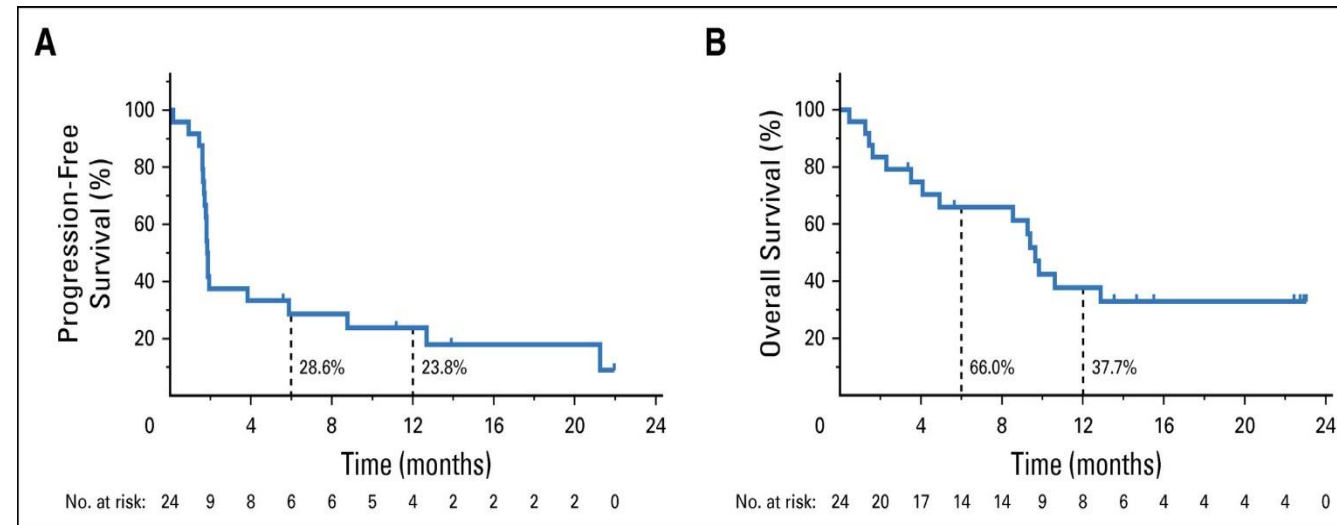
- Nivolumab in SCLC with progression on platinum chemotherapy and another therapy
- Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q2W
- @28.3 months:
 - ORR: 11.9%
 - mDOR: 17.9 months



Pembrolizumab in 3rd-line SCLC

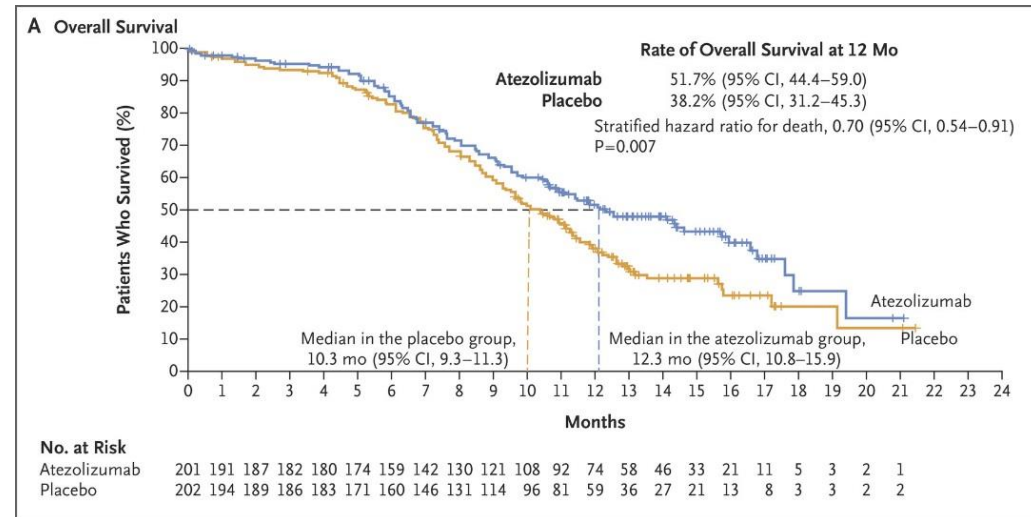
- KEYNOTE-028: PD-L1+ only (Cohort C1)
- KEYNOTE-158: PD-L1 +/- (Cohort G)
- Combined analysis:
- ORR: 19.3%
 - 2 CR, 14 PR
 - 14/16 responders were PD-L1+
 - 9/16 responders had response ≥18 mo.
- mOS: 7.7 months

PD-L1+ (KEYNOTE-028)



IMpower133: Atezolizumab + chemo in 1st-line SCLC

- Induction phase: four 21-day cycles of carboplatin and etoposide + atezolizumab (1200 mg once per cycle) 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
- Moving from 2nd/3rd line options to the front line
- Clear-cut biomarkers still lacking

Brahmer et al. *Journal for Immunotherapy of Cancer* (2018) 6:75
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POSITION ARTICLE AND GUIDELINES

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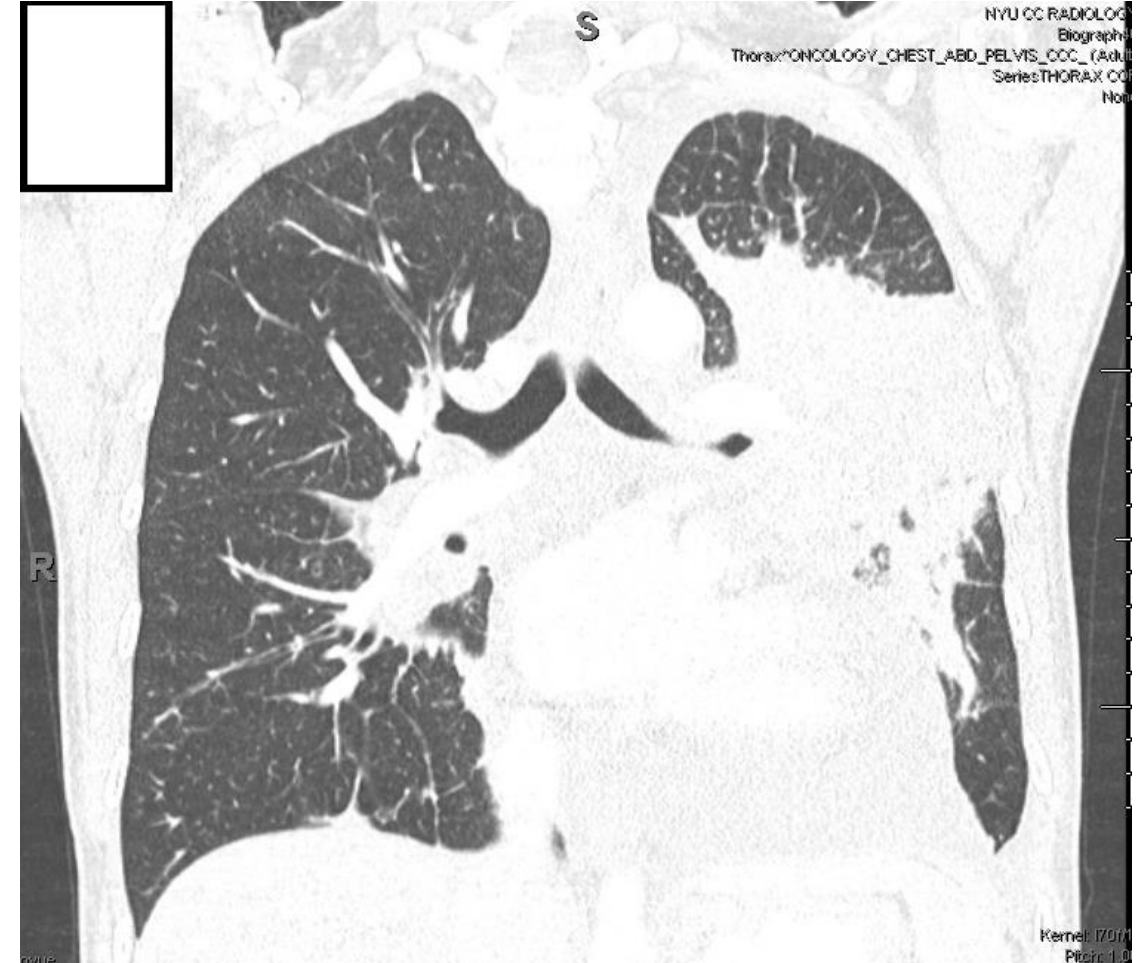
The Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer consensus statement on immunotherapy for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)

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Case Studies

Case Study 1

- 68 year old woman, former 50 pack year smoker presented with 2 month history of:
 - cough,
 - shortness of breath,
 - Weight loss
- Percutaneous image guided biopsy confirmed stage IV lung adenocarcinoma
- ECOG 1



Case Study 1

- 68 year old woman, former 50 pack year smoker, with newly diagnosed stage IV lung adenocarcinoma
 - PD-L1 expression is 0% (Negative)
 - Molecular testing reveals a KRAS G12D alteration
 - Tumor mutational burden: 21 mutations/Mb (High)

Case Study 1

- What treatment would you recommend?
 - A. Pembrolizumab 200mg flat dose every 3 weeks
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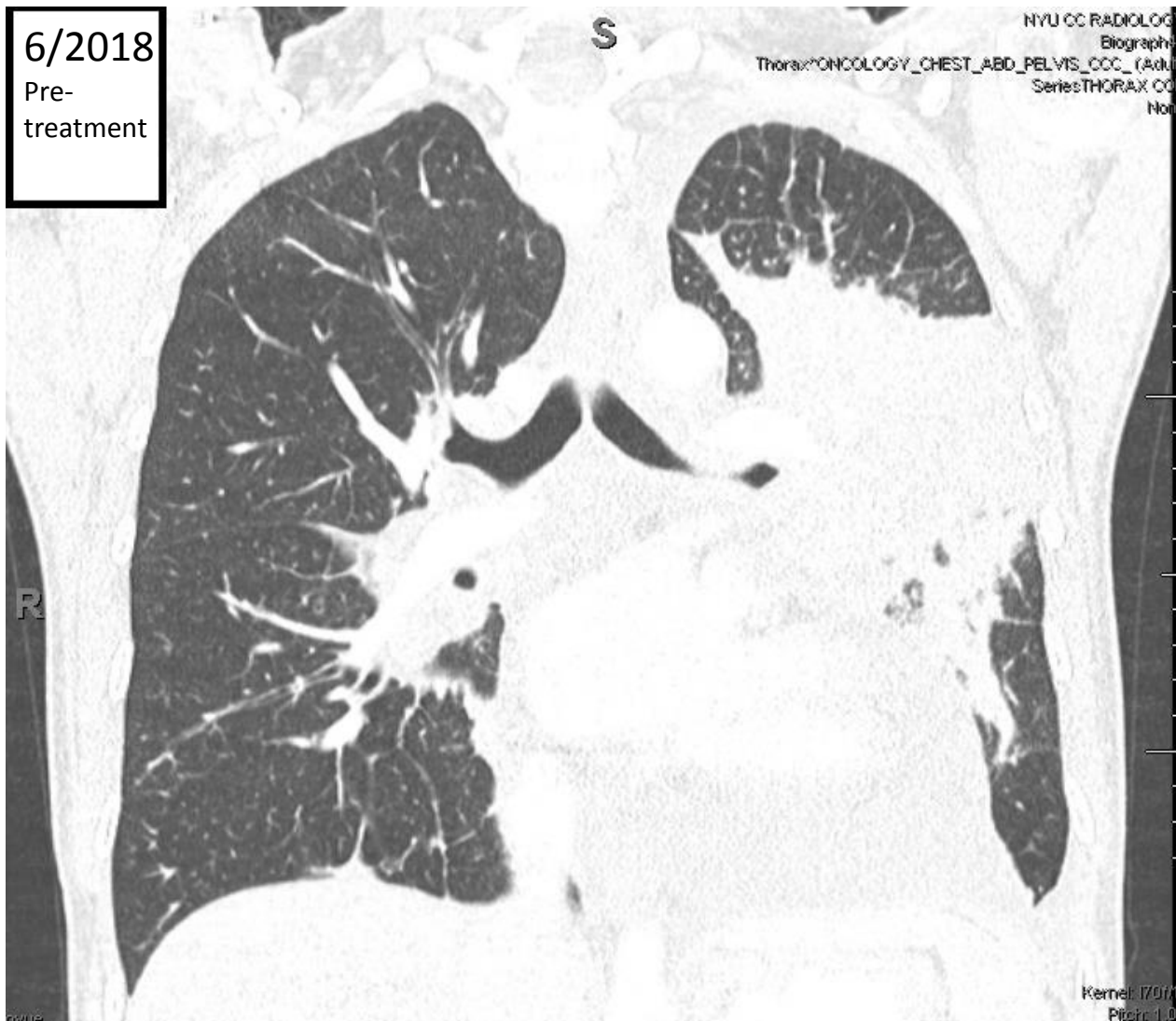
Case Study 1

- Patient starts therapy with pembrolizumab, carboplatin and pemetrexed
 - 9 week after starting therapy initial CT scan of the chest shows response
 - Patients respiratory status improved
 - 1 year later...

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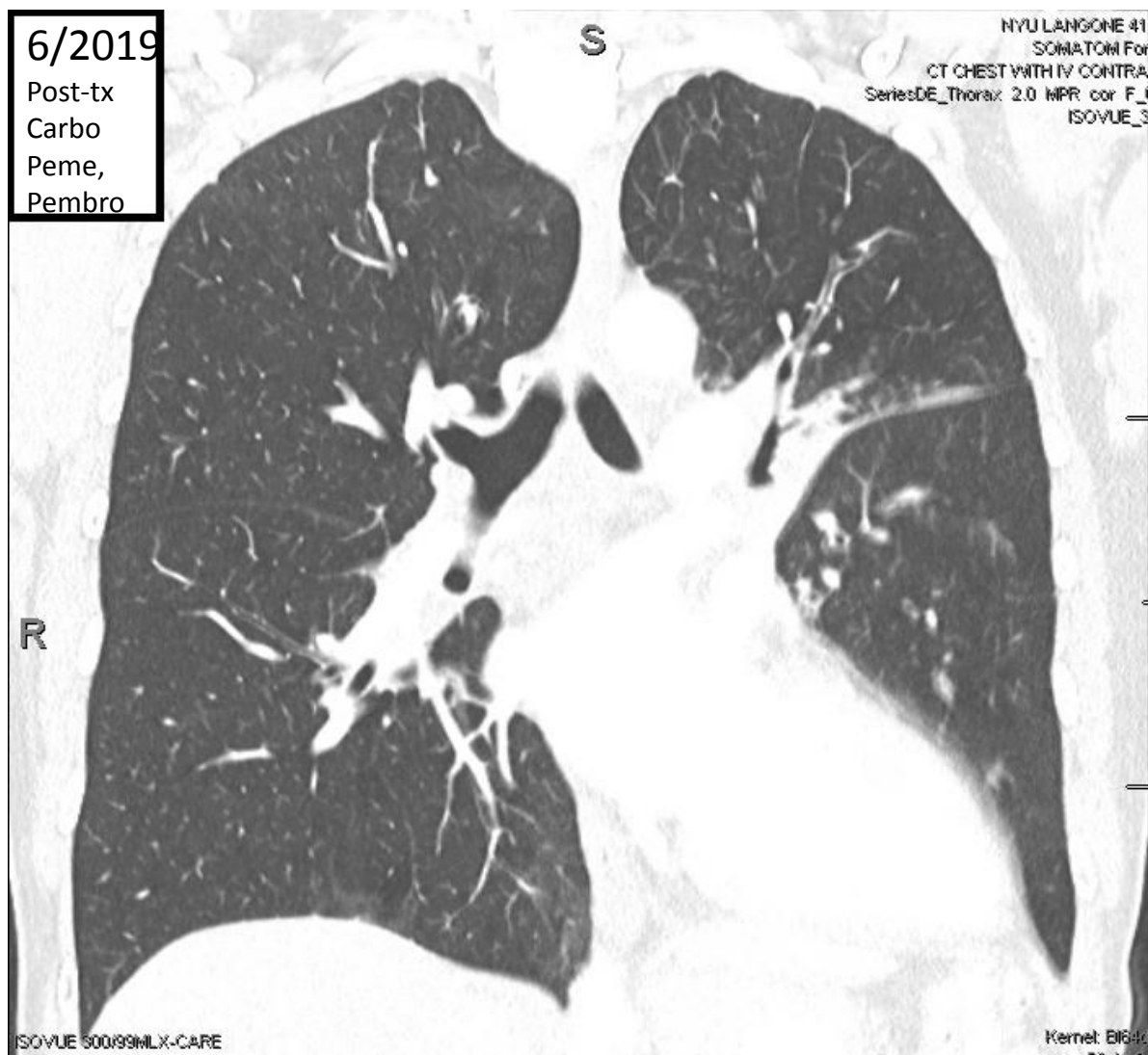
6/2018

Pre-treatment



6/2019

Post-tx
Carbo
Peme,
Pembro



Case Study 1

- 8/1/2019
- She presents with new cough and shortness of breath with exertion
- CT PE protocol is negative for pulmonary embolism
- Reveals new bilateral ground glass infiltrates



Case Study 1

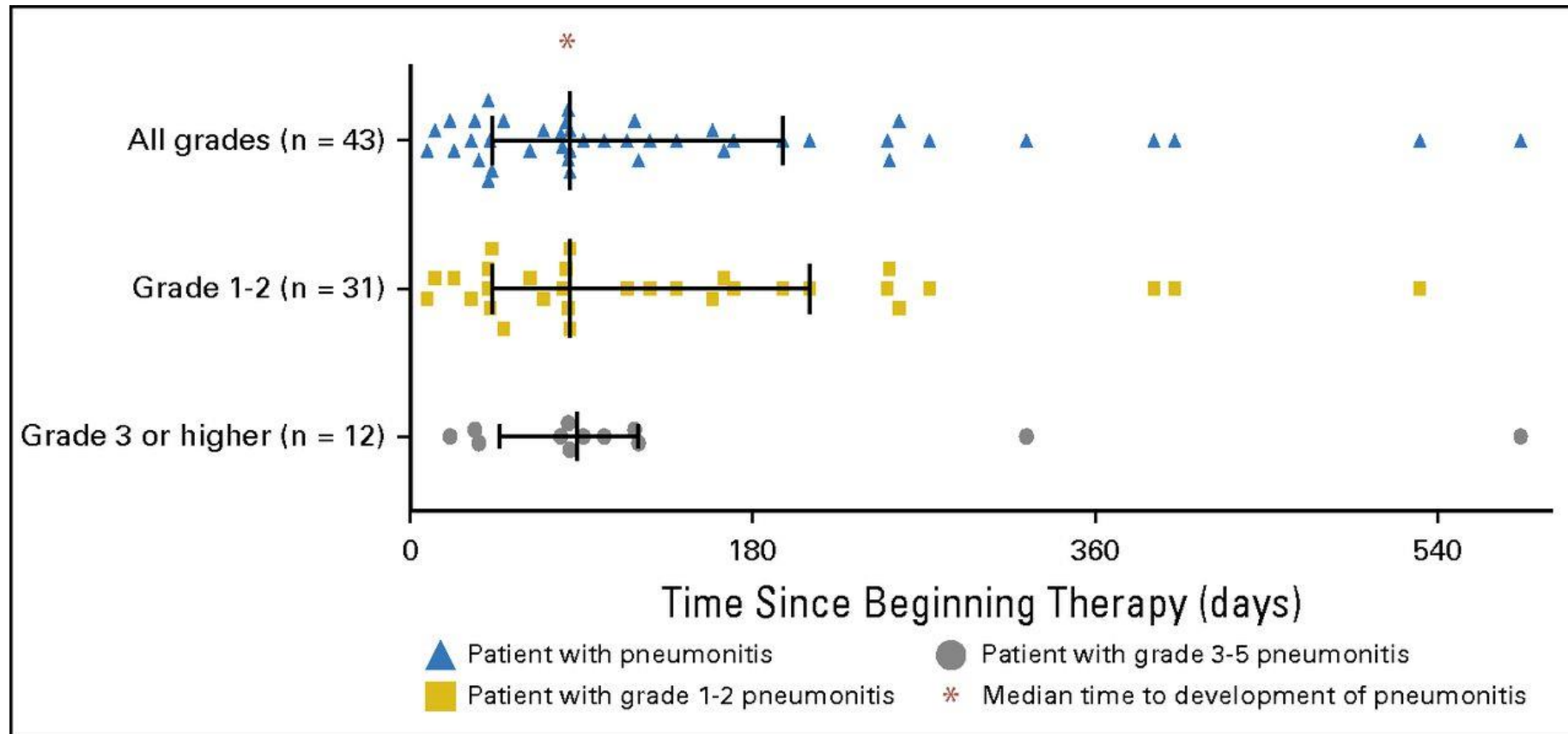
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Pneumonitis

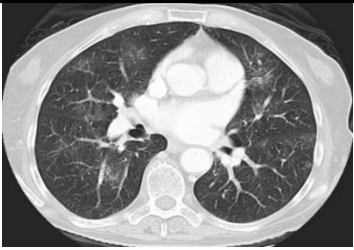
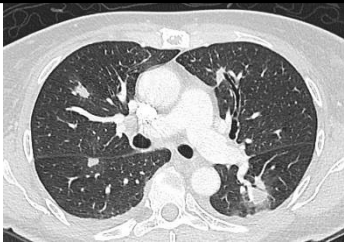
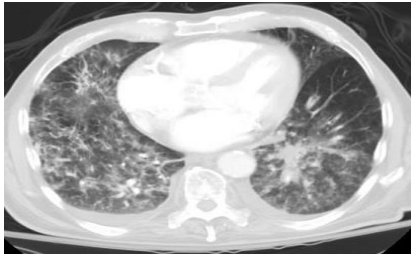
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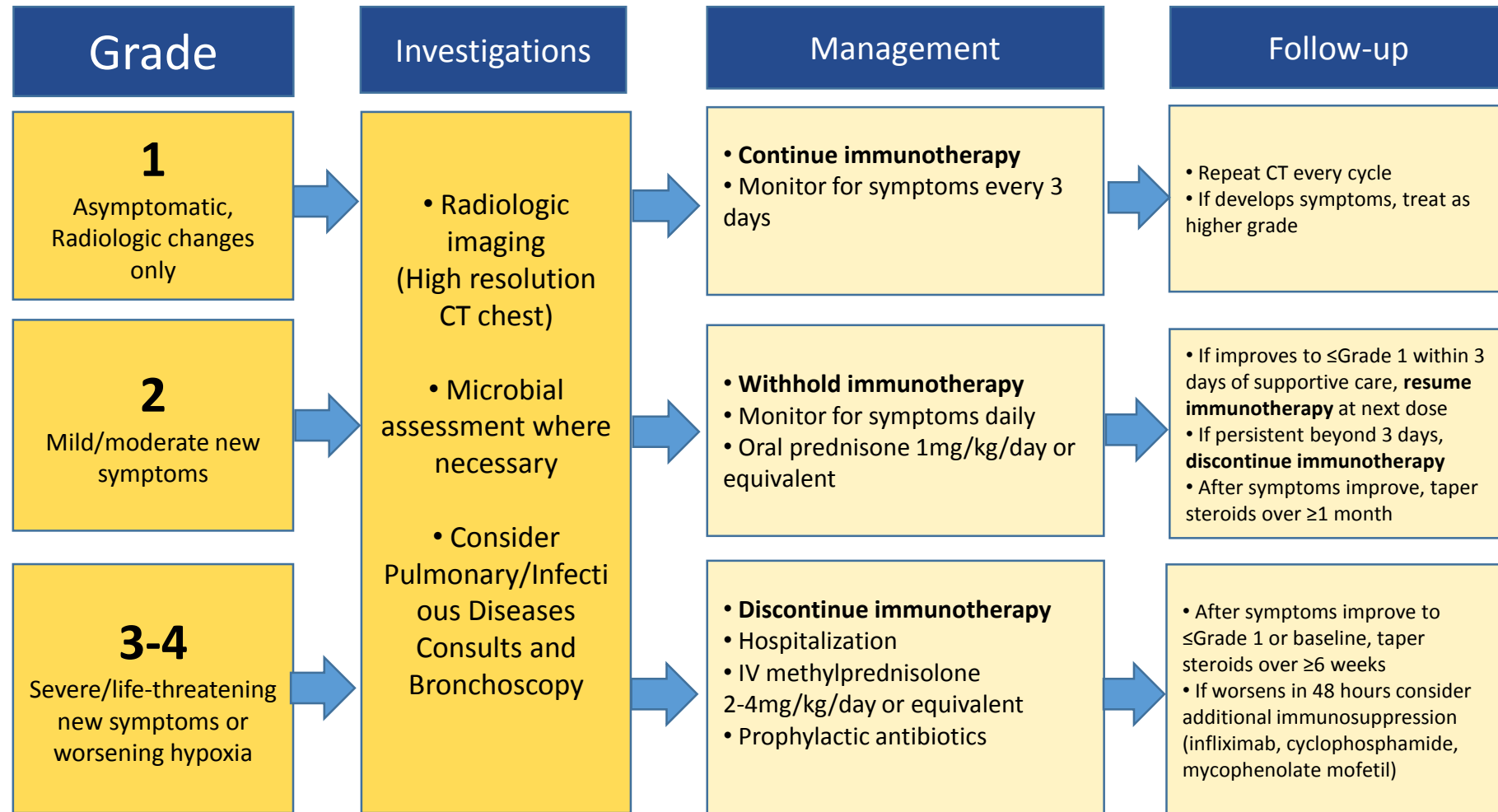
Pneumonitis

Variable Radiologic Features

COP-like (n=5)	Ground-Glass Opacities (n=10)	Hyper- Sensitivity (n=2)	Interstitial (n=6)	NOS (n=4)
				
Mild (n=15)		Moderate (n=6)		Severe (n=6)
				

Naidoo et al, J Clin Oncol 2016

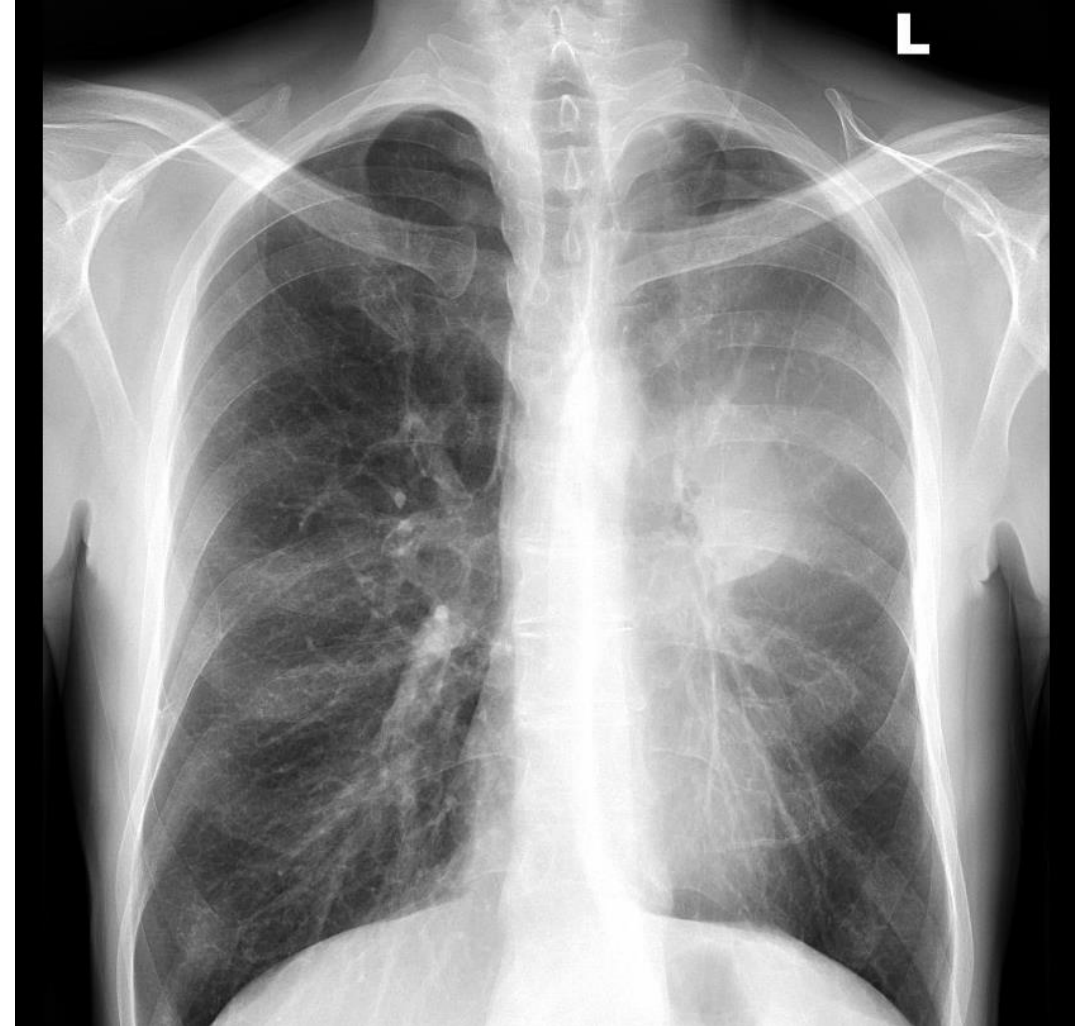
Pneumonitis Management Algorithm



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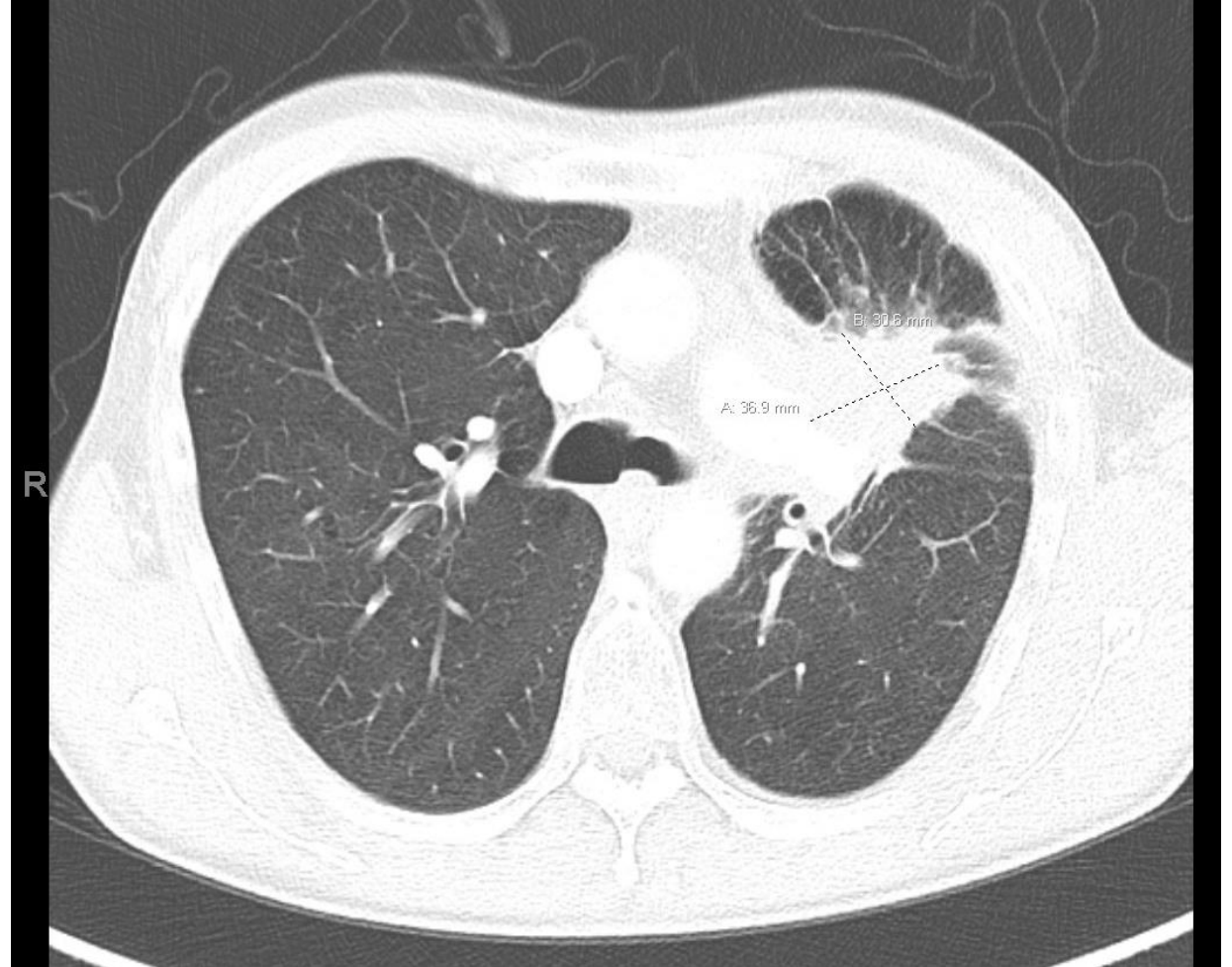
Case Study 2

- 73 year old man, active 100 pack year smoker who presented to hemoptysis



Case Study 2

- CT chest revealed a central necrotic appearing mass invading the left mainstem bronchus with diffuse mediastinal lymphadenopathy
- CT abdomen and pelvis reveal liver metastases
- MRI brain is negative
- Bronchoscopy and endobronchial ultrasound guided biopsy revealed extensive stage small cell lung cancer



Case Study 2

- 73 year old man, active 100 pack year smoker, with newly diagnosed extensive stage small cell lung cancer
 - PD-L1 expression is 50%
 - Next generation sequencing reveals TP53 and RB1 loss

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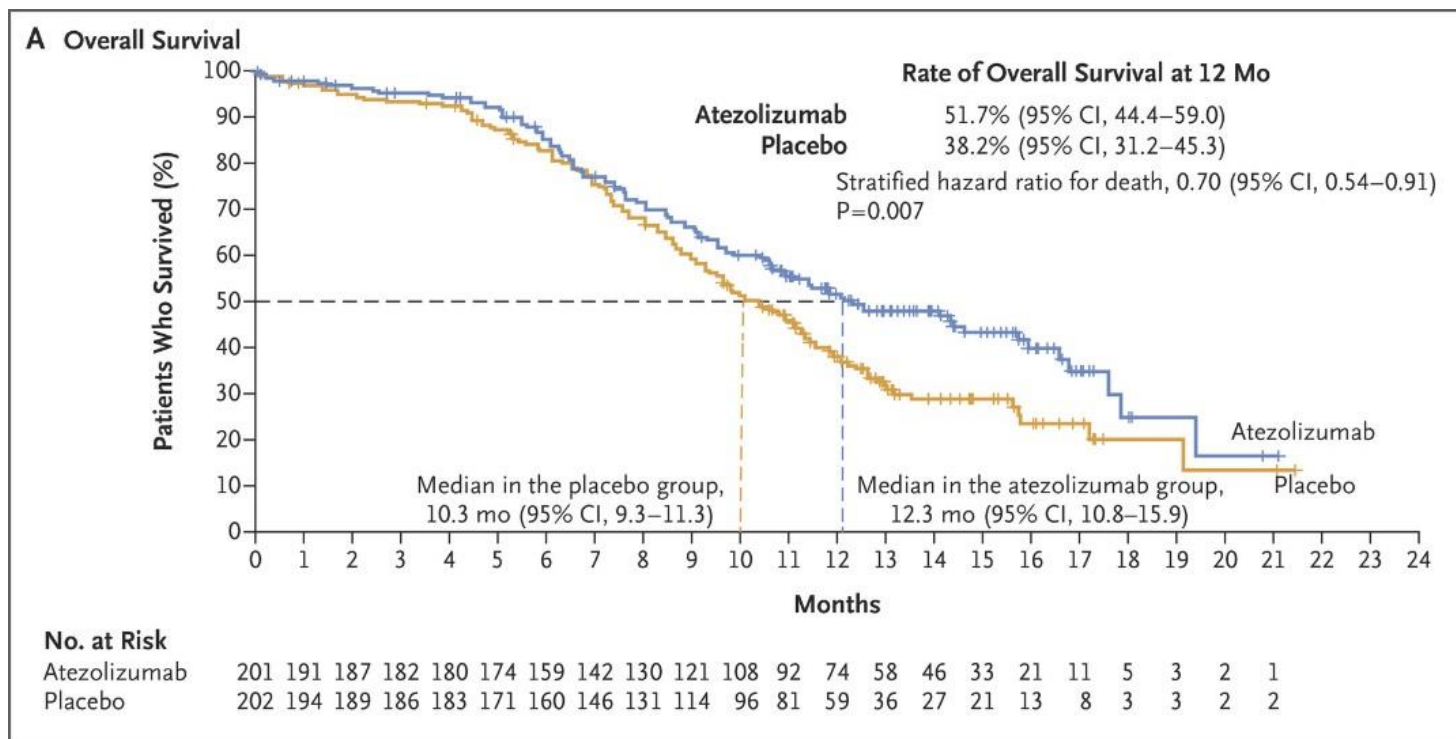
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IMpower133: Atezolizumab + chemo in 1st-line SCLC

- Carboplatin, etoposide, atezolizumab x 4 cycles followed by Atezolizumab maintenance
- vs
- Carboplatin, etoposide and placebo

mOS 12.3 mo (treatment arm) vs 10.3 mo (control arm)



Question?



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