

# Predictors of response to Checkpoint inhibitors (CPI): Tumor vs the periphery

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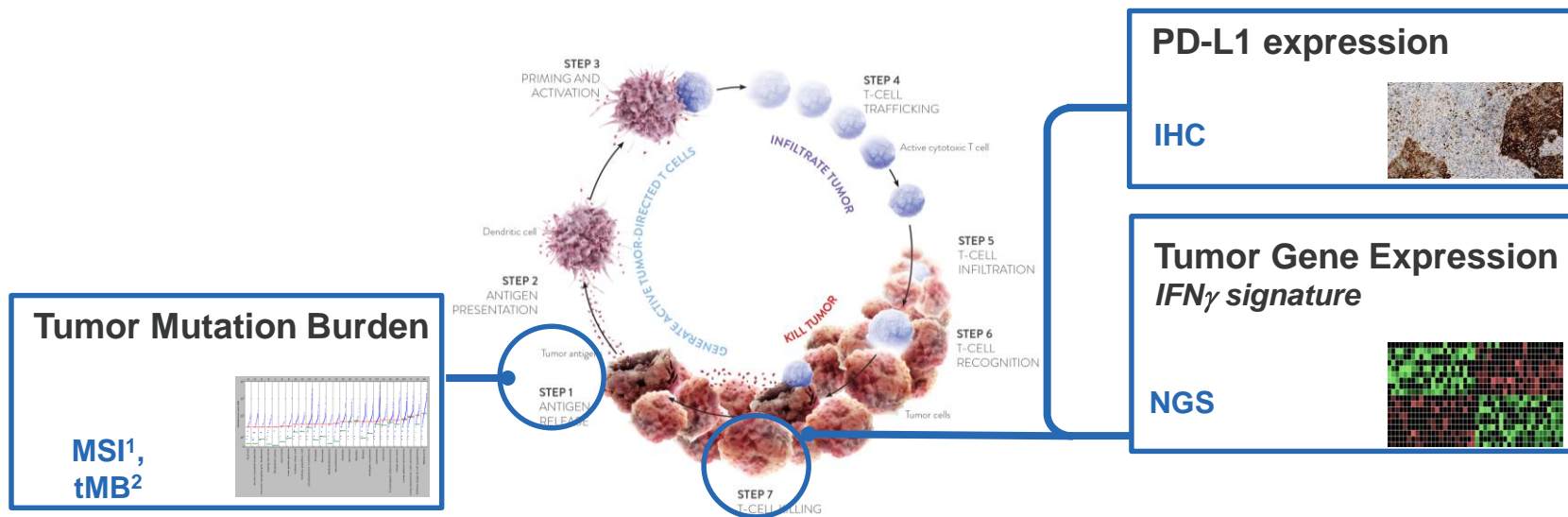
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# Tumor based predictors of response

# Where are we today with tumor based predictors for PD-L1/PD-1 targeted agents?



Chen and Mellman, *Immunity*, 2013

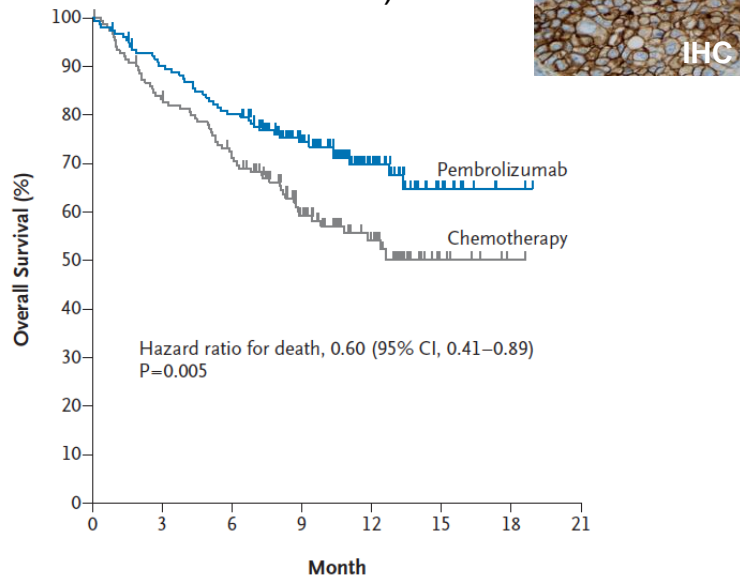
<sup>1</sup>Le et al., *NEJM* 2015

<sup>2</sup> Powles T et al., *Lancet* 2017

***No single biomarker fully describes patients who derive benefit from monotherapy CPIs***

# Tumor cell PD-L1 by IHC is associated with clinical benefit to CPIs

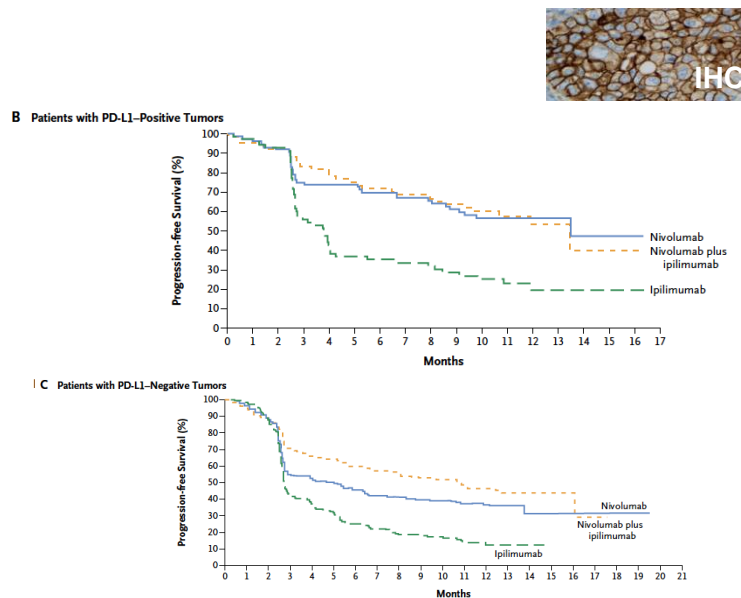
OS benefit observed for Pembrolizumab in PD-L1 (+) patients in front-line NSCLC (KN-24)



Dx: PD-L1 by IHC: TPS>50%

*Brahmer J et al., NEJM 2016*

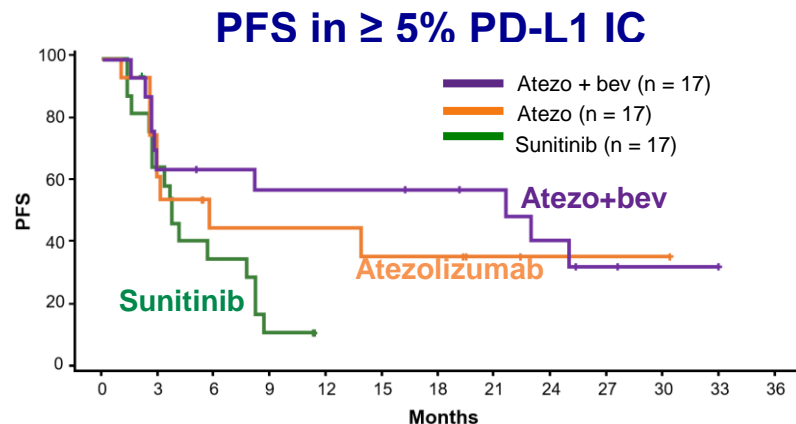
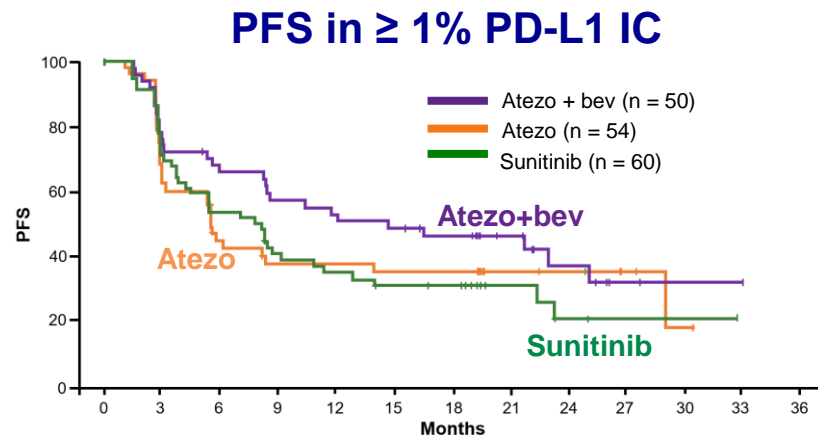
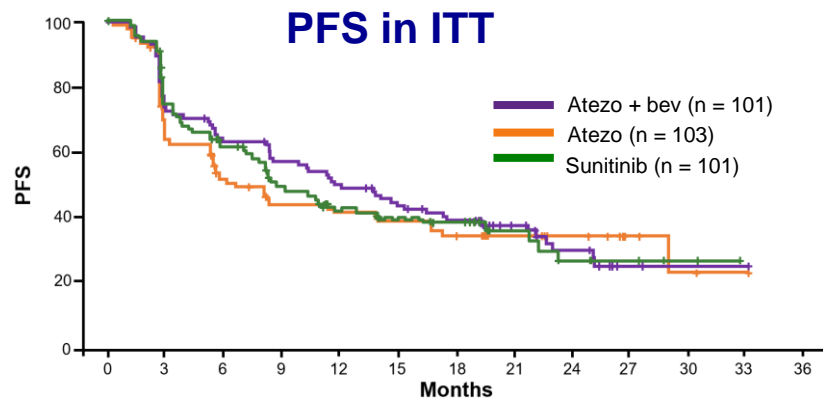
PD-L1 IHC can differentiate monotherapy Nivo vs Ipi/Nivo benefit in Melanoma (CM-067)



Dx: PD-L1 by IHC: TC>5%

*Larkin J et al., NEJM 2015*

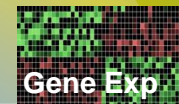
# Atezo+bev vs Sunitinib: improved PFS in PD-L1 immune cell (IC) selected groups: RCC (IMmotion 150)



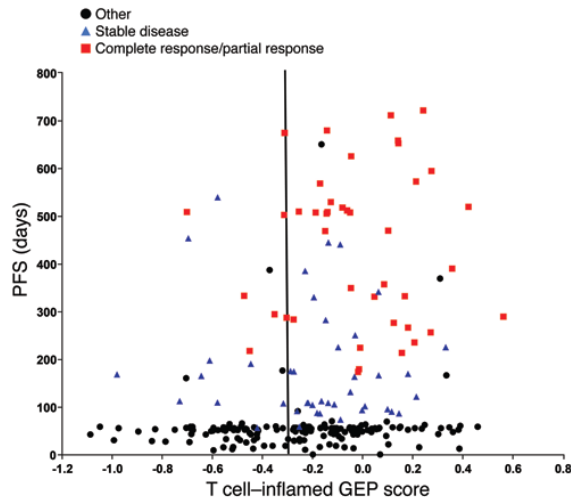
	Stratified HR (95% CI)		
	ITT	$\geq 1\%$ PD-L1	$\geq 5\%$ PD-L1
Atezo + bev vs sunitinib	1.00 (0.69, 1.45)	0.64 (0.38, 1.08)	0.34 (0.13, 0.91)
Atezo vs sunitinib	1.19 (0.82, 1.71)	1.03 (0.63, 1.67)	0.64 (0.27, 1.54)

**3-arm Phase II Front line RCC; IMmotion 150;  
N=100 in each arm**

# Gene expression based functional readouts of pre-existing immunity associated with benefit to CPIs



## 18-gene IFN $\gamma$ signature associated with PFS benefit to Pembrolizumab (KN-012, KN-028)

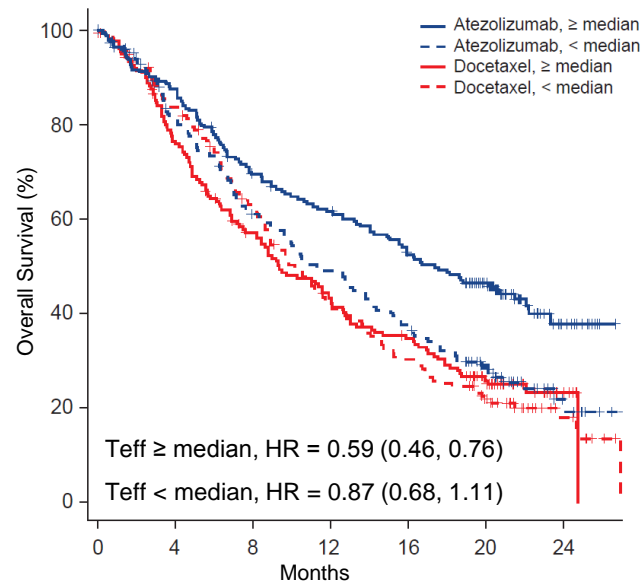


PFS time versus T cell-inflamed GEP score in 244 patients from KEYNOTE-012 and KEYNOTE-028 for the 9 cancer cohorts used to determine the T cell-inflamed GEP.

18 gene signature, Nanostring: TIGT, CD27, CD8A, PD-L2, LAG3, PD-L1, CXCR6, CMKLR1, NIKG7, CCL5, PSMB10, IDO1, CXCL9, HLA.DQA1, CD276, STAT1, HLA.DRB1, HLA.E

Ayers M et al., JCI 2017

## OS benefit observed for Atezolizumab in patients with high T<sub>eff</sub>\* gene signature in 2<sup>nd</sup> line NSCLC (OAK)



PCR: \*Effector T-cell (T<sub>eff</sub>) signature: PD-L1, CXCL9, IFN- $\gamma$

Kowanetz et al., WCLC, 2017

# Effector-T cell gene signatures may be a more sensitive readout of PFS in inflamed tumors

OAK	PFS	
	PD-L1 IHC* +	T <sub>eff</sub> Signature +
Prevalence	55%	51%
HR (95% CI)	0.93 (0.76, 1.15)	<b>0.73</b> (0.58, 0.91)
HR (95% CI) BEP (N = 753)	0.94 (0.81, 1.10)	

Dx: Effector T-cell (T<sub>eff</sub>) signature: PD-L1, CXCL9, IFN- $\gamma$

T<sub>eff</sub> gene signature is a more sensitive biomarker of PFS than PD-L1 IHC

- At a similar prevalence, T<sub>eff</sub> gene expression identified patients who experienced a significant PFS benefit with atezolizumab therapy in 2<sup>nd</sup> line NSCLC

\*SP142; TC1 or IC1= TC or IC  $\geq$  1% PD-L1–expressing cells.

BEP, biomarker-evaluable population. Data cutoff: July 7, 2016

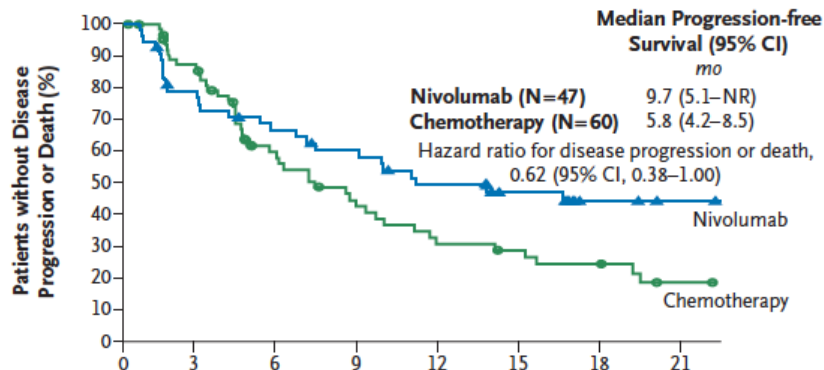
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# Tumor types with a high mutation load (TMB) may derive benefit from monotherapy CPI

## Patients with high tumor mutation load derive PFS benefit from Nivolumab in front-line NSCLC (CM-026)

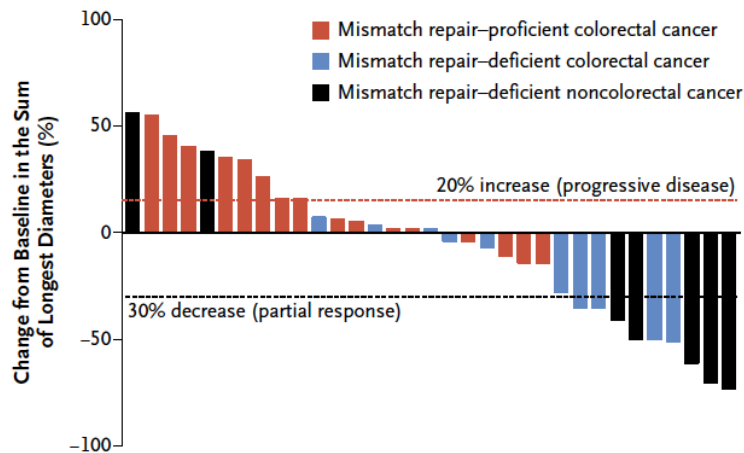
C Progression-free Survival among Patients with High Tumor-Mutation Burden



Carbone DP et al., NEJM 2017

## MMR deficiency is associated with response to Pembrolizumab

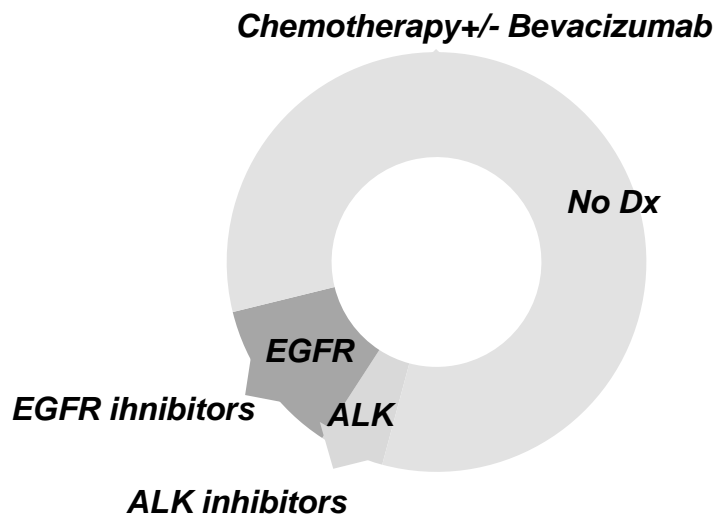
B Radiographic Response



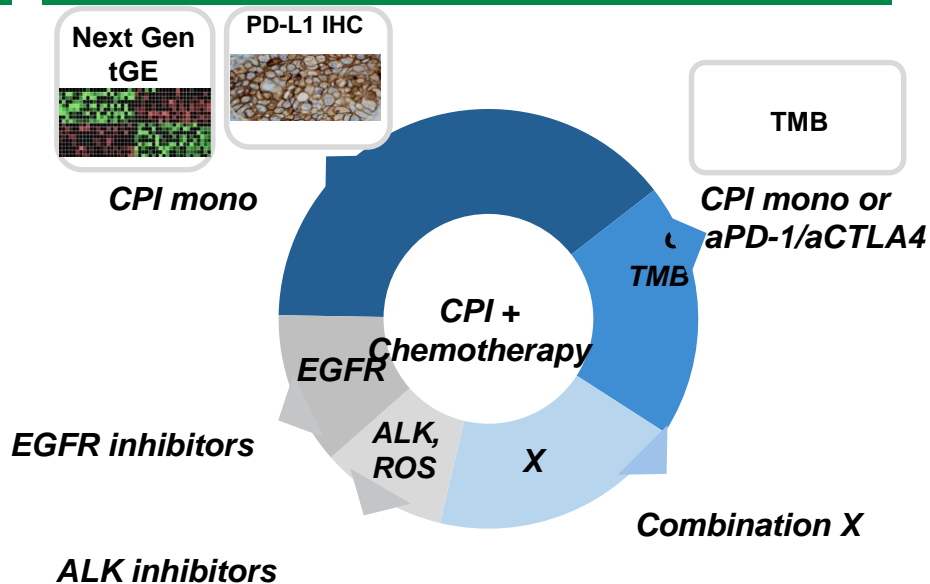
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# Rapidly evolving landscape for treatment decisions: Eg front-line NSCLC

## 2015 Front-line NSCLC Dx landscape

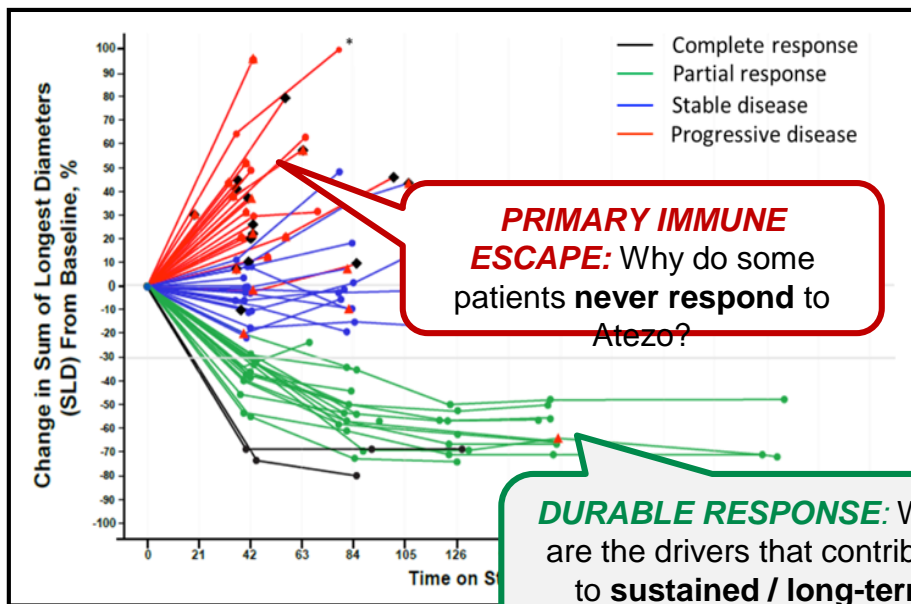


## Future NSCLC Dx landscape



*Illustrative purposes only*

# What are the drivers of escape from CPI?



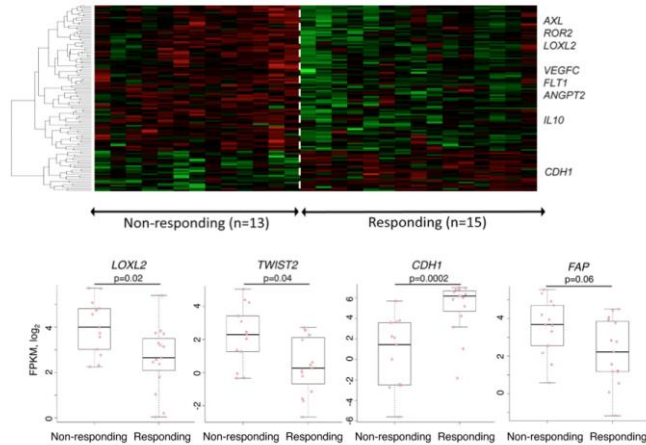
Can we  
convert  
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Atezolizumab Ph1 mUC data

**DURABLE RESPONSE:** What are the drivers that contribute to **sustained / long-term anti-tumor immunity**

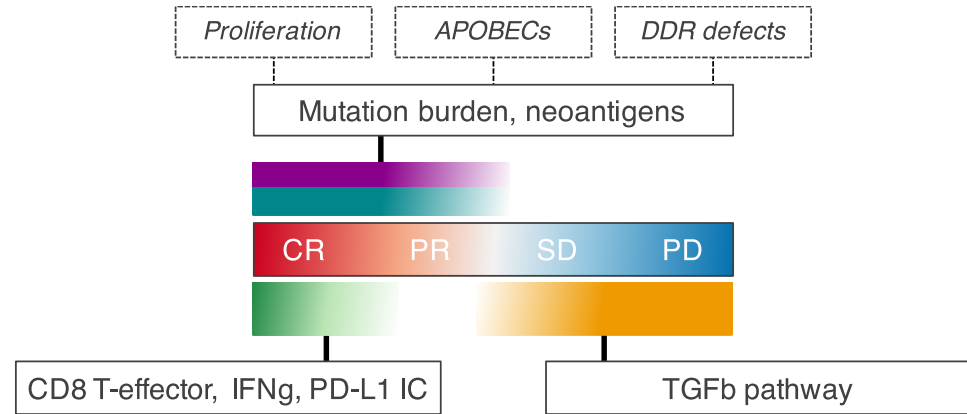
# Reactive Stromal biology may present an immune escape mechanism

## Mesenchymal biology associated with resistance to PD-1 blockade in melanoma



Willy et al., Cell (2016)

## Bladder Cancer: Atezolizumab (IMvigor210)

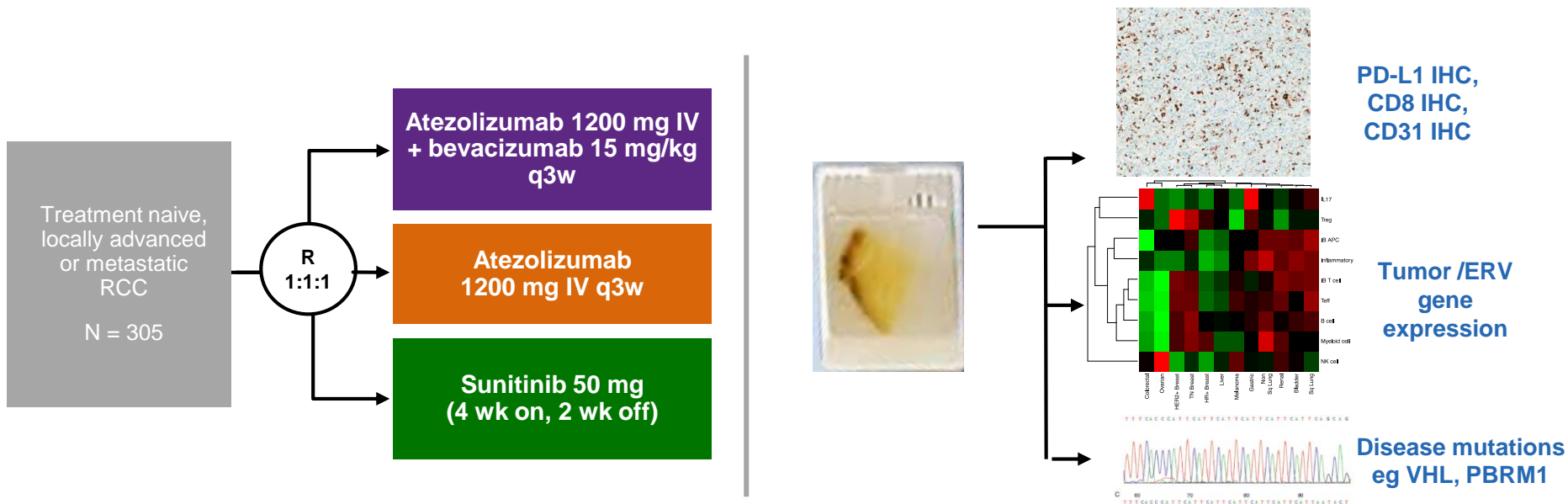


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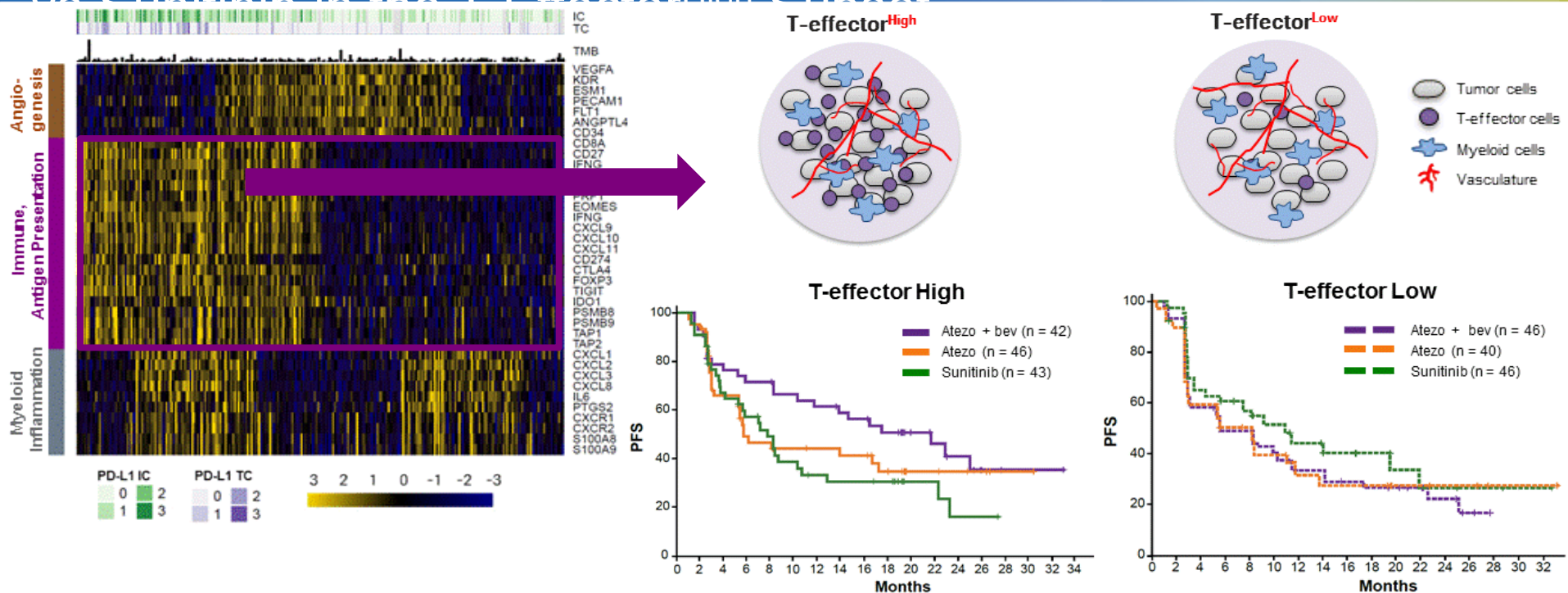
# IMmotion 150:

## Atezolizumab ± Bevacizumab vs Sunitinib in 1L mRCC



- IMmotion150 was designed to be hypothesis generating and inform the Phase III study IMmotion151
- Co-primary endpoints were PFS (RECIST v1.1 by IRF) in ITT patients and patients with  $\geq 1\%$  of IC expressing PD-L1
- Exploratory endpoints included interrogation of the association between outcome and TME gene signatures

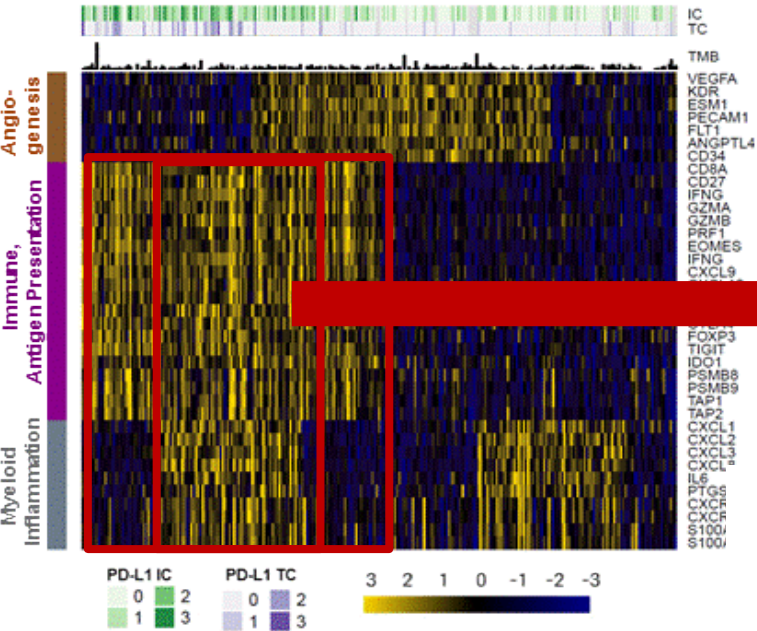
# Atezolizumab and Bevacizumab Demonstrate Improved PFS vs Sunitinib in the T-Effector-High Subject



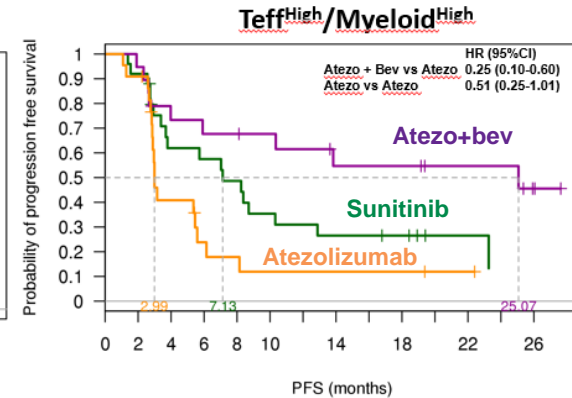
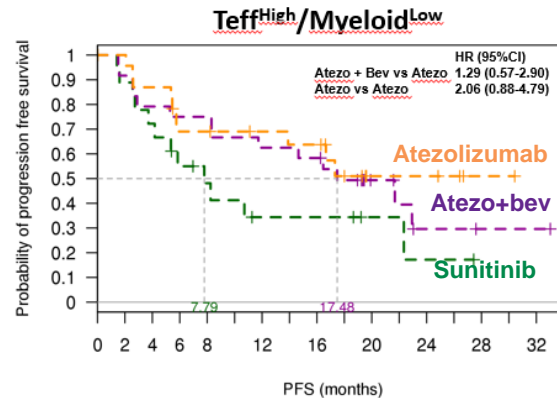
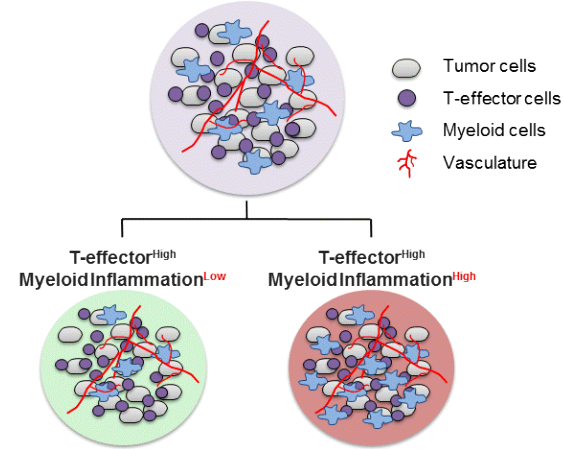
	HR (95% CI)	
	T-effector High	T-effector Low
Atezolizumab + bevacizumab vs sunitinib	0.55 (0.32, 0.95)	1.41 (0.84, 2.36)
Atezolizumab vs sunitinib	0.85 (0.50, 1.43)	1.33 (0.76, 2.33)



# Myeloid inflammation may be associated with lack of clinical benefit to CPI- $\alpha$ VEGF may overcome this escape mechanism

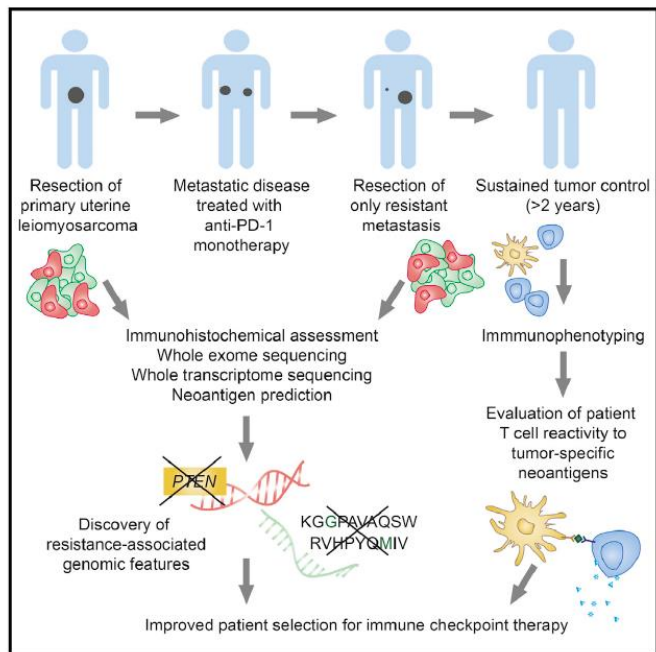


## T-effector<sup>High</sup> Subpopulation



# Single patient case reports can be highly informative

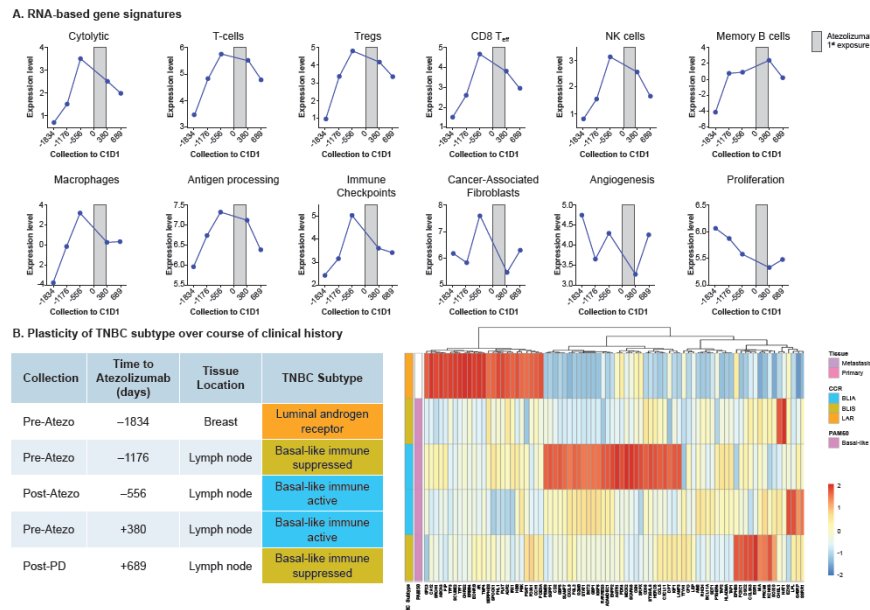
## Bi-allelic PTEN loss associated with immunosuppressive TME and resistance to $\alpha$ PD-1 in a Lipsarcoma case study



George S et al., *Immunity* 2017

## Evolution of disease molecular subtypes, genomic landscape and TME over 3 years of chemo and 4 years of atezolizumab in a TNBC case study

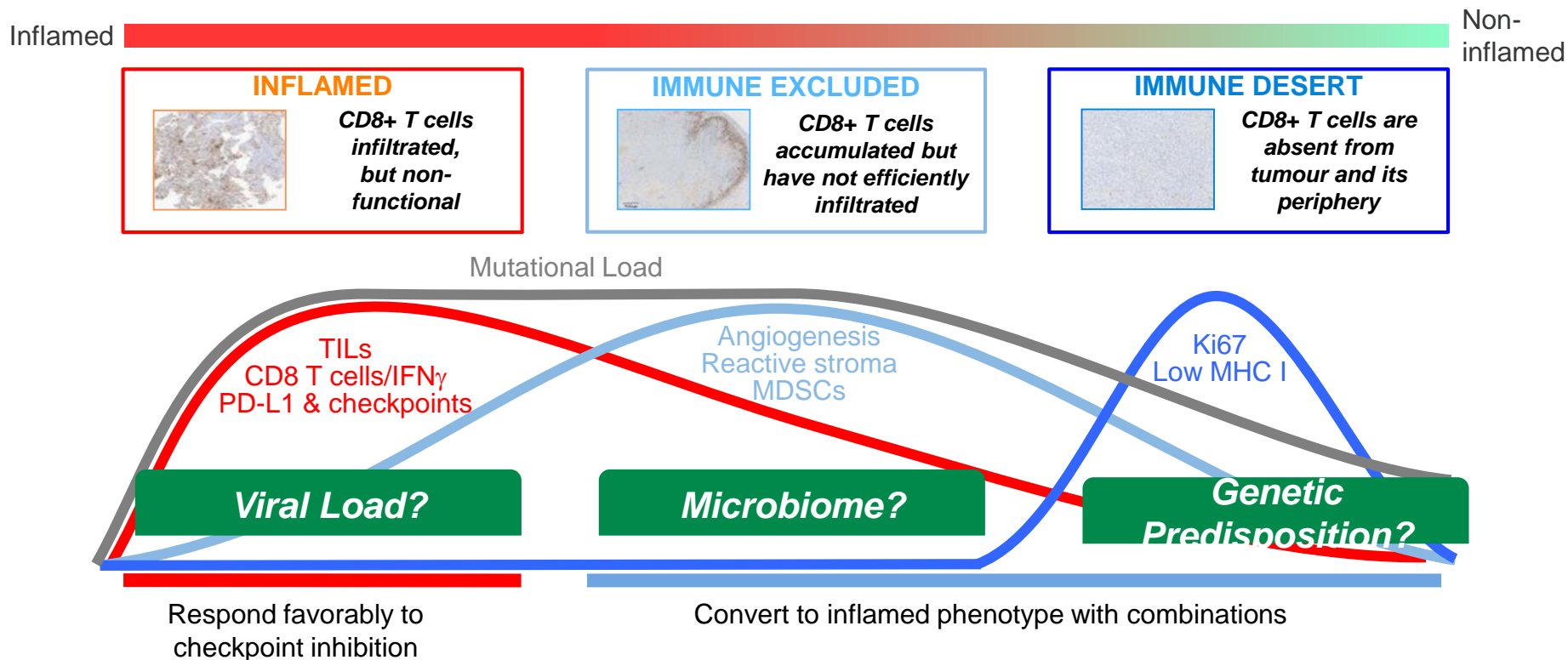
Figure 4. Evolution of Tumor Microenvironment: RNA-Based Immune, Stromal and Proliferation Signatures and TNBC Subtypes



Molinero L...Emens L , Friday Poster p68 , SITC 2017



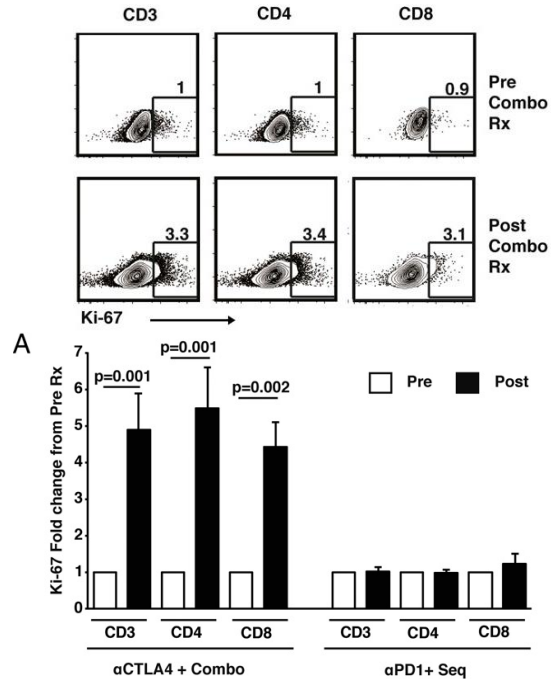
# The Tumor Immunity Continuum- framework for combinations



## **Predictors of response in the periphery**

# Circulating proliferating CD8+ T-cells represent a pharmacodynamic biomarker to CPI

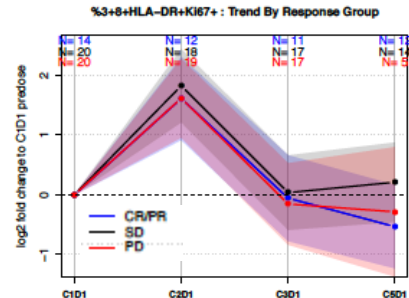
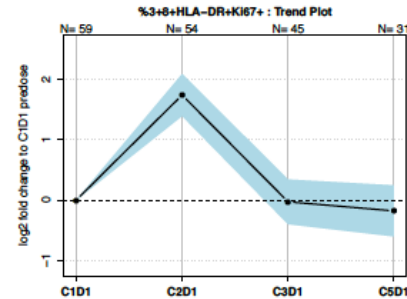
## Increase in Ki-67+/CD3+ T cells Upon aCTLA4 tx in Melanoma



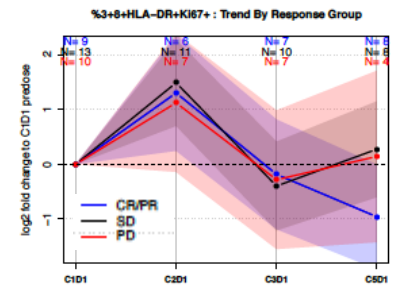
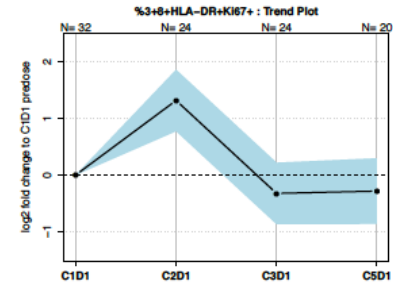
Das R et al., J Immunol 2015

## Systemic increase in CD3/CD8/HLA-DR/Ki-67+ T cells not associated with outcomes to atezolizumab

### Bladder Cancer

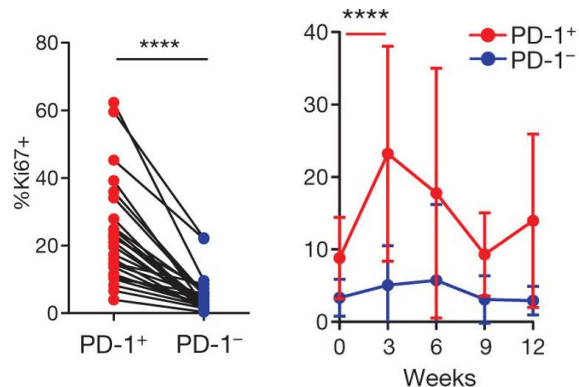


### NSCLC

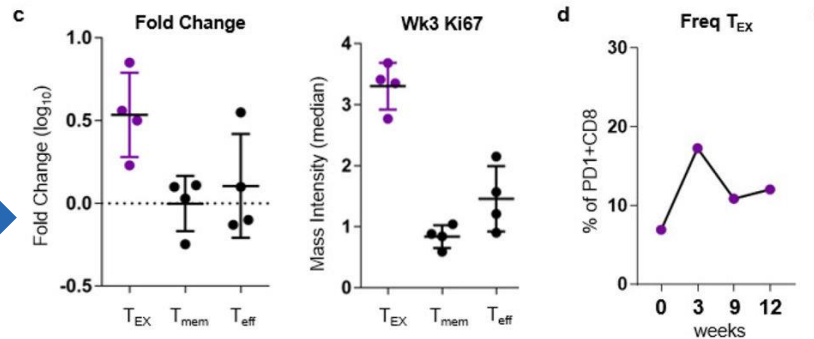


# T-cell invigoration to tumor burden ratio associated with anti-PD1 response

## Proliferating CD8+ T-cells represent an exhausted phenotype

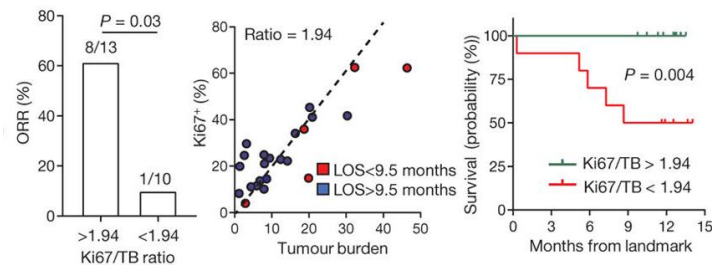


## aPD-1 reinvigorates exhausted T-cells



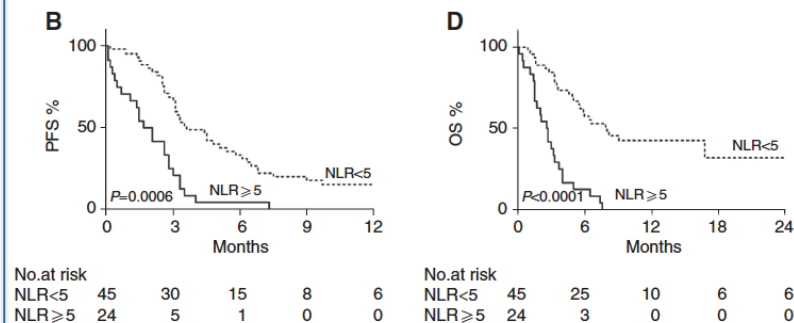
## Ratio of T-cell invigoration to tumor burden predicts response to CPI

PD-1<sup>+</sup> CD8 (max, weeks 3–6)



# Is high Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte ratio (NLR) a systemic marker of poor outcomes to CPIs?

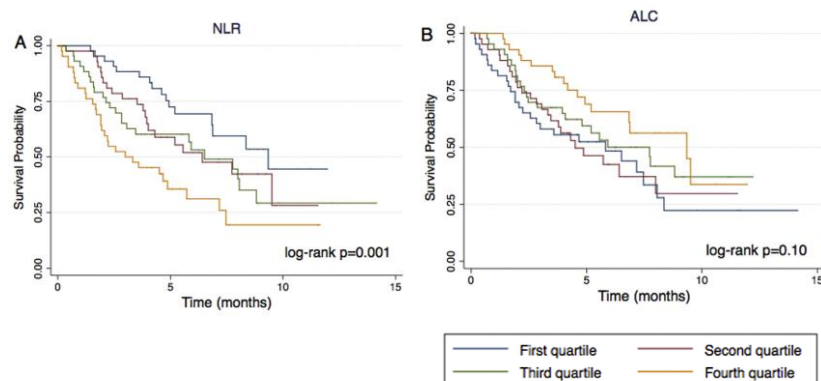
## High NLR associated with poor outcomes to Ipilimumab in Melanoma



*Independently validated in a cohort of 115 patients*

*Ferrucci PF et al., BJC 2015*

## High NLR associated with poor outcomes to Nivolumab in NSCLC (N=175)



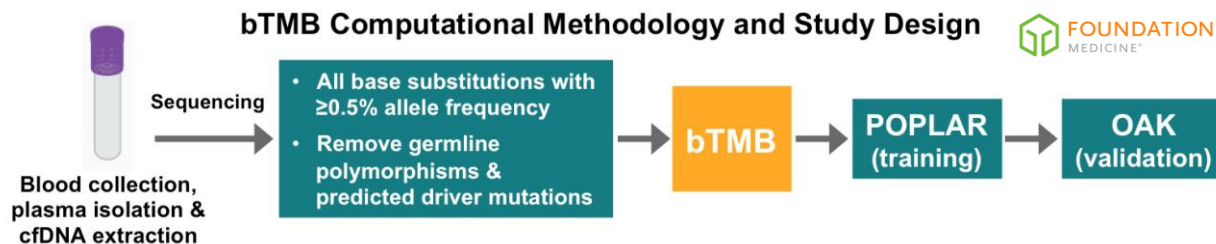
*Bagley SJ et al., Lung Cancer 2017*

## Is systemic immune health an important factor?

*Single arm studies, hard to delineate prognostic from predictive association.*

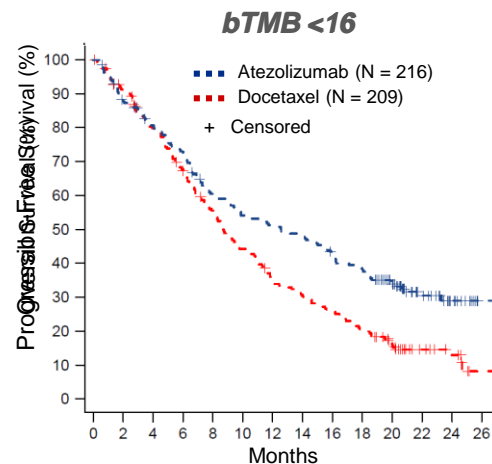
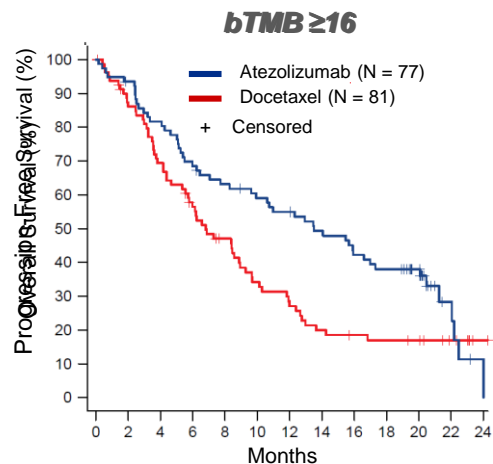
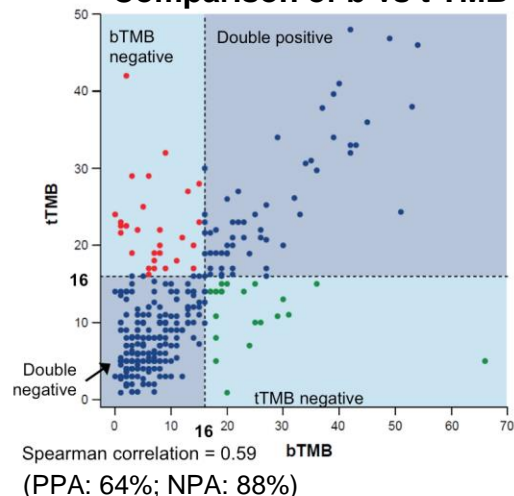
*Worth further interrogation in randomized trials*

# Exploring the utility of blood as a sensor for actionable tumor markers – eg. blood based TMB



## Atezolizumab vs Docetaxel benefit in bTMB subgroups

### Comparison of b vs t TMB

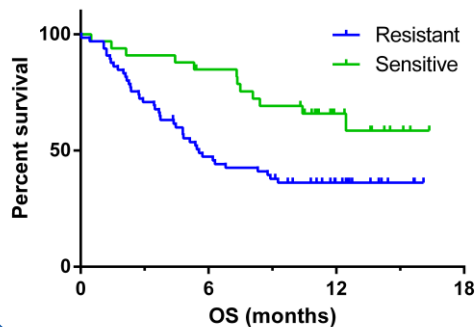


Interaction  $P = 0.75$

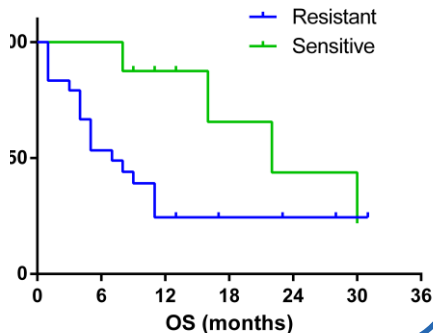
# Deep MALDI ToF MS of Serum in NSCLC

## *Biodesix platform*

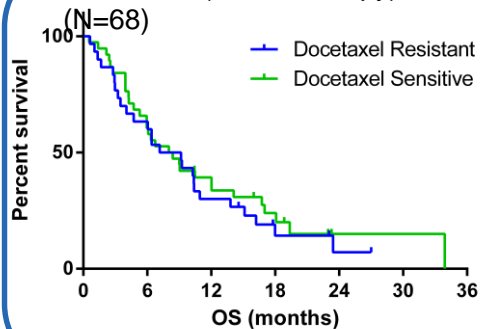
Development (nivolumab) <sup>1</sup>



Validation (nivolumab) <sup>1</sup> (N=32)



Evaluation (chemotherapy)



Patients who do poorly on CPI have elevated acute phase reactant, complement and wound healing signaling

### Biological factors associated with sensitivity/resistance to CPI

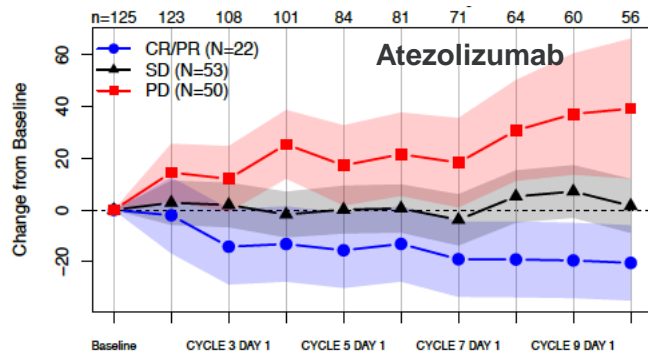
Signaling process	Checkpoint test
Acute inflammatory response	NS
Activation of innate immune response	NS
Regulation of adaptive immune response	NS
Positive regulation of glycolytic process	NS
Immune T-cells	NS
Immune B-cells	NS
Cell cycle regulation	NS
Natural killer regulation	NS
Complement system	<b>p &lt; 0.05</b>
Acute response	NS
Cytokine activity	NS
Wound healing	<b>p &lt; 0.01</b>
Interferon	NS
Interleukin-10	NS
Growth factor receptor signaling	NS
Immune Response Type 1	NS
Immune Response Type 2	NS
Acute phase	<b>p &lt; 0.01</b>
Hypoxia	NS
Cancer	NS

<sup>1</sup>S. Goldberg et al, SITC2017, P30

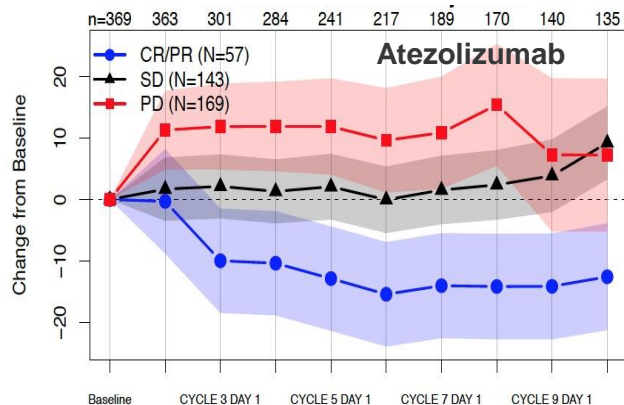
Courtesy: Heinrich Roder, Biodesix

# Systemic inflammation marker like CRP may provide a good surrogate for OS

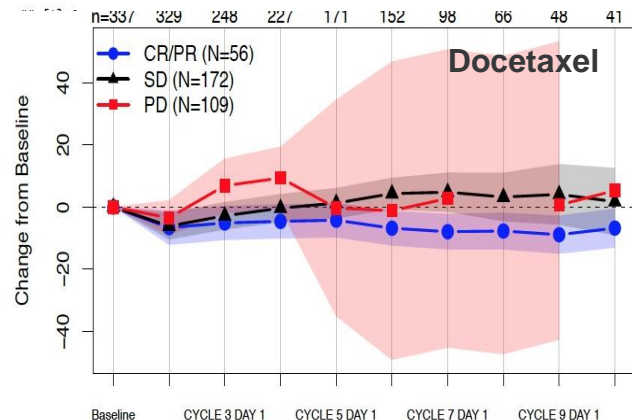
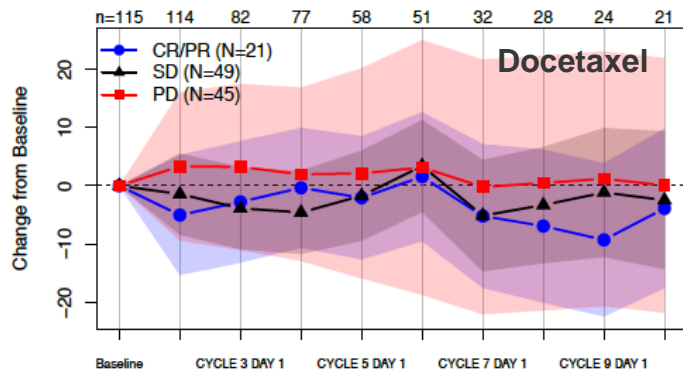
## Change in CRP in POPLAR



## Change in CRP in OAK

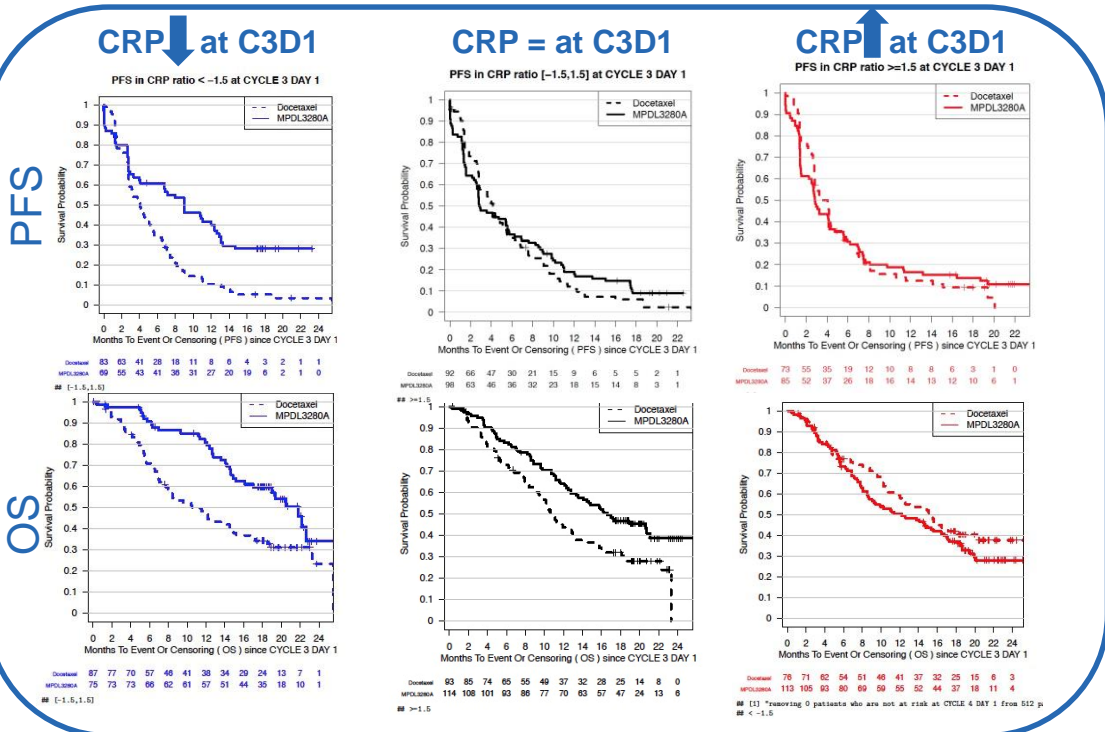
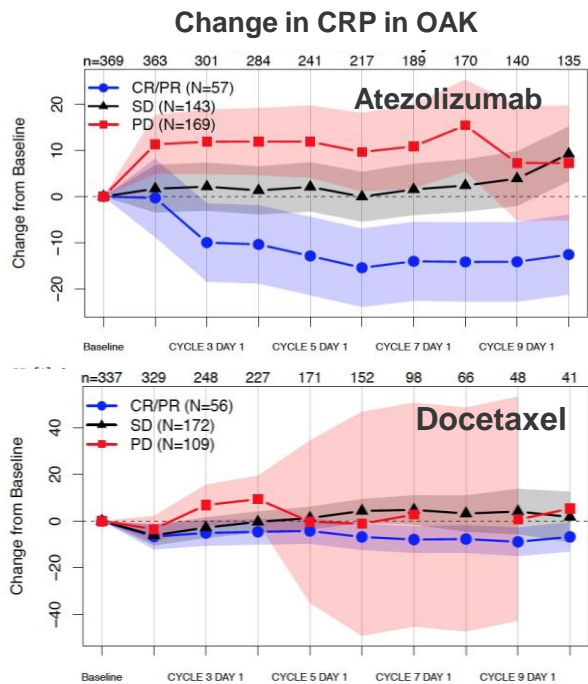


## Docetaxel

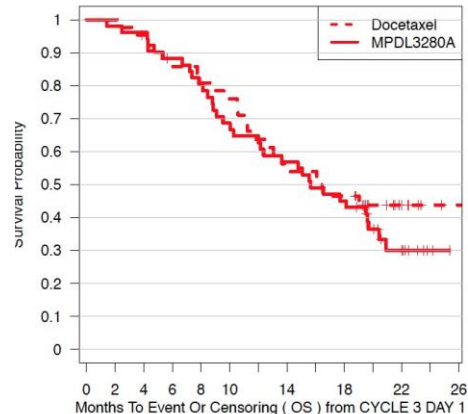
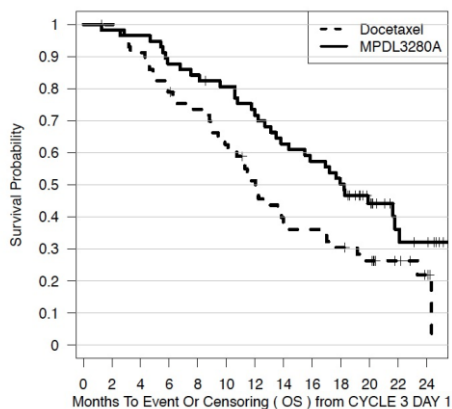
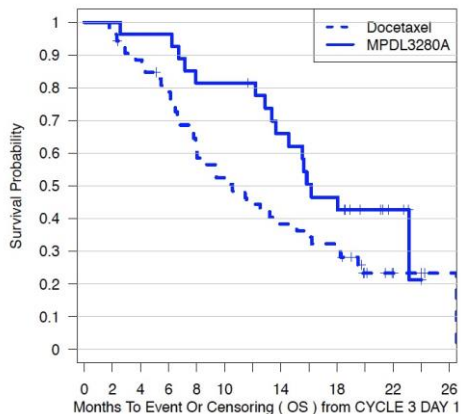
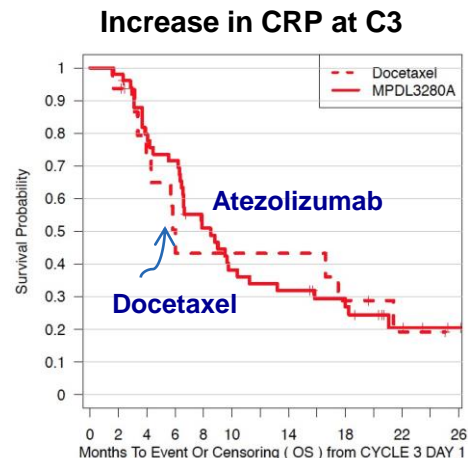
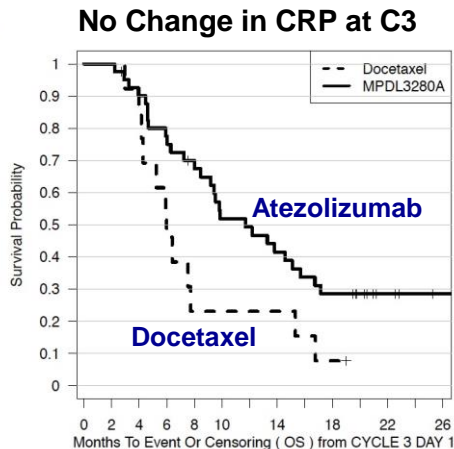
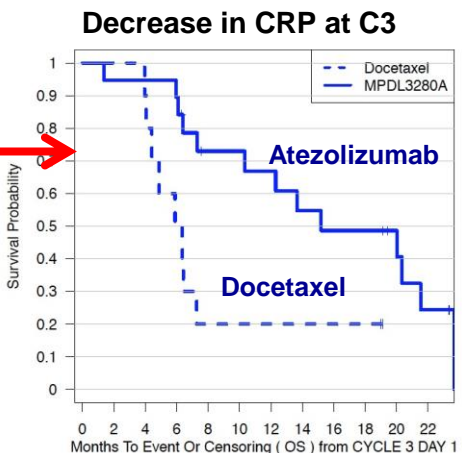
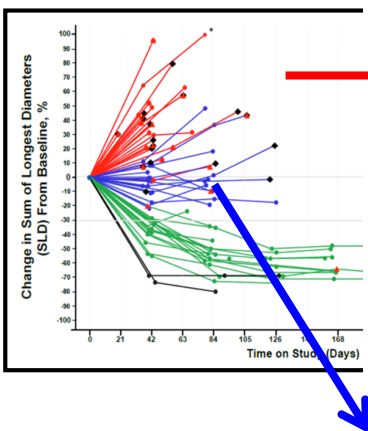




# Change in CRP and association with OS NSCLC



# Decrease in CRP associated with improved OS in patients with RECIST 1.1 SD/PD



# Registration trials of CDK4/6 inhibitors

First line AI sensitive – with AI		HR	(95% CI)
PALOMA2	Palbociclib	<b>0.58</b>	(0.46, 0.72)
MONALEESA2	Ribociclib	<b>0.58</b>	(0.46, 0.70)
MONARCH3	Abemaciclib	<b>0.54</b>	(0.41, 0.72)

## Endocrine pre-treated – with fulvestrant














PALOMA3	Palbociclib	<b>0.50</b>	(0.40, 0.62)
MONARCH2	Abemaciclib	<b>0.55</b>	(0.45, 0.68)

Hazard ratios for PFS primary endpoint

Courtesy: Nick Turner, Discussant for MONARCH 3, ESMO 2017

Finn RS, *et al.* NEJM 2016, Turner NC, *et al.* NEJM 2015 updated SABCS 2016, Hortobagyi GN, *et al.* NEJM 2016 updated ASCO 2017, Sledge, *et al* JCO 2017

# Randomized trials with monotherapy Checkpoint inhibitors

	POS	NEG	Melanoma	Adj Melanoma	2 <sup>nd</sup> line NSCLC	1 <sup>st</sup> line NSCLC	Early NSCLC	mUC	H&N
Atezolizumab					 OAK			 IMvigor211	
Nivolumab			 CM-067	 CM-238	 CM-057/017	 CM-026			 CM-141
Pembrolizumab			 KN-006		 KN-010	 KN-024		 KN-045	 KN-040
Durvalumab							 PACIFIC		

*Deluge of data over the next 2-5 years with 1500 trials ongoing today...~ 300,000 patients in trials*

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