

Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Lung Cancer

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- 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

	Male			
Estimated Deaths	Lung & bronchus	76,650	24%	
	Prostate	31,620	10%	
	Colon & rectum	27,640	9%	
	Pancreas	23,800	7%	
	Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	21,600	7%	
	Leukemia	13,150	4%	
	Esophagus	13,020	4%	
	Urinary bladder	12,870	4%	
	Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	11,510	4%	
	Brain & other nervous system	9,910	3%	
	All sites	321,670		

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Lung & bronchus	66,020	23%
Breast	41,760	15%
Colon & rectum	23,380	8%
Pancreas	21,950	8%
Ovary	13,980	5%
Uterine corpus	12,160	4%
Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	10,180	4%
Leukemia	9,690	3%
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	8,460	3%
Brain & other nervous system	7,850	3%
All sites	285,210	

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FDA-approved checkpoint inhibitors in lung cancer





Treatment Naïve Regimens: Competing Strategies in NSCLC

- **KEYNOTE 024** Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy in PD-L1 ≥ 50%
- **KEYNOTE 042** Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy in PD-L1 ≥ 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 5-Year Survival

- 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%







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



- Untreated stage IV NSCLC
- PD-L1 TPS ≥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 ≥ 50% NSCLC Overall Survival

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KEYNOTE-042: Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy for PD-L1 ≥ <u>1%</u> NSCLC



^aPemetrexed maintenance therapy was optional but strongly encouraged for patients with nonsquamous histology.





KEYNOTE-042: Pembrolizumab vs. Chemotherapy for PD-L1 ≥ 1% NSCLC Overall Survival



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





KEYNOTE-189: Pembrolizumab/Platinum /Pemetrexed vs Chemotherapy Alone for Advanced Non-Squamous NSCLC

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Untreated stage IV nonsquamous NSCLC
- No sensitizing EGFR or ALK alteration
- ECOG PS0 or 1
- Provision of a sample for PD-L1 assessment
- No symptomatic brain metastases
- No pneumonitis requiring systemic steroids

Stratification Factors

- PD-L1 expression (TPS^a <1% vs ≥1%)
- Platinum (cisplatin vs carboplatin)
- Smoking history (never vs former/current)



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KEYNOTE-189: Pembrolizumab/Platinum /Pemetrexed vs Chemotherapy Alone for Advanced Non-Squamous NSCLC





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

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Untreated stage IV NSCLC with squamous histology
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- Provision of a sample for PD-L1 assessment
- No symptomatic brain metastases
- No pneumonitis requiring systemic steroids

Stratification Factors

- PD-L1 expression (TPS^a <1% vs ≥1%)
- Choice of taxane (paclitaxel vs nab-paclitaxel)
- Geographic region (east Asia vs rest of world)



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

PFS (RECISTv1.1, BICR)



Overall Survival







IMPOWER 150: Atezolizumab/Carboplatin/ Paclitaxel/Bevacizumab vs Carboplatin/Paclitaxel/ Bevacizumab in Advanced Non-Squamous NSCLC



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IMPOWER 150: Atezolizumab/Carboplatin/ Paclitaxel/Bevacizumab vs Carboplatin/Paclitaxel/ **Bevacizumab in Advanced Non-Squamous NSCLC**

	Landmark OS, %	Arm B: atezo + bev + CP	Arm C: bev + CP			
	12-month	67%	61%	— HRª, 0.78	2 J	(0/)3
	18-month	53%	41%	(95% CI: 0.64, 0.96)	Subgroup	<u>n (%)</u> ª
	24-month	43%	34%	F = 0.0184 Median follow-up: ~20 mo	PD-L1–High (TC3 or IC3) WT	136 (20%)
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					PD-L1–Negative (TC0 and IC0) WT	339 (49%)
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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)	Nivolumab (N-135) Docetaxel (N-137)	Median Overall Surviva mo (95% Cl) 9.2 (7.3–13.3) 6.0 (5.1–7.3)	 I-Yr Overall S % of patients (9 42 (34–50 24 (17–3) 	urvival 75% <i>C1)</i> 7)	No. of Deaths 86 113
		Nivolumab (n = 292)	Docetaxel (n = 290)		
CHECKMATE 057	mOS, mo	12.2	9.4		
(nivolumab)	HR = 0.73 (9	96% Cl: 0.59, 0.89); P	= 0.0015		
	Treatment Arm	Median (95% CI), mo	HR* (95% CI)	Р	_
	Pembro 2 mg/kg	14.9 (10.4-NR)	0.54 (0.38-0.77)	0.0002	_
NOTE 010 (TPS \geq 1%)	Pembro 10 mg/kg	17.3 (11.8-NR)	0.50 (0.36-0.70)	<0.0001	
(pemprolizumab)	Docetaxel	8.2 (6.4-10.7)			_
OAK	HR, 0.73 ^a (95% Cl, 0.62, P = 0.0003	0.87)			

(atezolizumab)

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Minimum follow up = 19 months



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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 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









- NSCLC has been a proving ground for checkpoint inhibitors
- Moving from 2nd/3rd line options to the front line
- Clear-cut biomarkers still lacking









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Case Studies





- 73 yo AA male, history of larynx SCC 6 yrs prior → TPF X 2, Radiation to larynx, f/b adjuvant everolimus on clinical trial
 - PMHx: CAD, COPD-requires oxygen, HTN, H/O laryngeal cancer, BPH
 - Soc Hx: 16 pk-yr cigarettes, f/b cigars X 20 yrs, Hx of heavy ETOH use quit both 12 yrs ago.
- Presents to ED with SOB, cough, white sputum, wt loss, tachycardia and LE edema
- PE: Thin, frail appearing, 2L 02NC, ECOG PS =1, CVS Irregular/tachycardic, diminished Breath sounds thruout and 2+ edema BLE
- Labs: Unremarkable for CBC, Crea -1.5, Albumin 3.0 otw, CMP wnl.





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Case Study 1

• What would you do next?

EKG and CT angiogram/PE protocol f/b ECHO and troponin

Diuretics

Steroids, albuterol/atrovent nebulizer treatment

d) Antibiotics





- What would you do next?
 - **a EKG and CT angiogram/PE protocol f/b ECHO and troponin**
 - This option is reasonable, if someone has a history of cancer, tobacco history and swollen ankles one's differential diagnosis should be: PE, AMI, CHF, Pneumonia vs COPD exacerbation. Any of these can be ruled in with this workup.
 - **b)** Diuretics
 - O This option is the least reasonable, this assumes fluid overload without accounting for all symptoms.
 - **C)** Steroids, albuterol/atrovent nebulizer treatment
 - O This is a reasonable option, testing first needs to be done to ensure not a PE or cardiac as steroids and nebulizer treatments will be helpful for COPD exac only.
 - **d)** Antibiotics
 - This is a reasonable option, testing first needs to be done to ensure not a PE or cardiac. Additionally, in a frail patient, WBC and temperature may not be elevated and CT will tell us if there is an obstructive process as antibiotic choice may differ.

















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- EBUS biopsy done, c/w Adenocarcinoma CD7/TTF1 +, PDL1 5%, EGFR/ALK/ROS1/BRAF/KRAS negative. What is your next recommendation?
 - Thoracic surgery consultation for Right lower lobectomy
 - Radiation consultation for CRT
 - Radiation consultation for CRT f/b checkpoint inhibitor
 - Chemotherapy with concurrent checkpoint inhibition
 - **e)** Checkpoint inhibitor single agent





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 - **a**) Thoracic surgery consultation for Right lower lobectomy
 - O This pt has L7 (N2) disease, requires oxygen, CAD etc. Not a good surgical candidate, and N2 disease clearly Stage III
 - b) Radiation consultation for CRT
 - O Very reasonable option
 - **C** Radiation consultation for CRT f/b checkpoint inhibitor
 - \bigcirc Most reasonable option based on PACIFIC trial for a inoperable patient to be treated with curative intent
 - **d)** Chemotherapy with concurrent checkpoint inhibition
 - O This would be reasonable, if not potentially curable (stage III)
 - **e)** Checkpoint inhibitor
 - O Single agent checkpoint inhibitor would be appropriate if not curative intent and PDL1 \geq 50%





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









- This patient with cT2N2M0 AC, PDL1 5% underwent CRT with curative intent.
 - Chemo used with XRT Carbo/Taxol, no consolidation chemotherapy
 - Started on Durvalumab as consolidative therapy per the PACIFIC trial
 - Is now 1 year out, doing well with NED





- Patient is a 62 yo male who presented with 1 year increasing weight loss (50#), cough and SOB admitted to hospital for SOB and weakness.
 - PMHx: A-fib, COPD 4L oxygen, HTN, Hyperthyroid controlled on tapazole
 - Soc Hx: Tobacco 80 pk-yrs, still smoking.
- PE: Thin, frail appearing in wheelchair **on 4L Oxygen NC**, ECOG PS 1, CVS Irregular/tachycardic, diminished Breath sounds thruout **L lung**
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- CT guided biopsy done, c/w Squamous cell carcinoma, PDL1 10%, EGFR/ALK/ROS1/BRAF/KRAS negative. What is your next recommendation?
 - Thoracic surgery consultation for L pneumonectomy
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- CT guided biopsy done, c/w Squamous cell carcinoma, PDL1 10%, EGFR/ALK/ROS1/BRAF/KRAS negative. What is your next recommendation?
 - **a**) Thoracic surgery consultation for L pneumonectomy
 - O This patient has cT4N3M1C, not appropriate for surgical resection
 - **b**) Radiation consultation for CRT f/b Checkpoint inhibitor
 - This patient has cT4N3M1C, not appropriate for curative intent CRT f/b CPI
 - **C)** Chemotherapy with platinum based therapy
 - This is a reasonable option but, based on the KEYNOTE 407 study there is a better option. This would be more appropriate if he had a contraindication to checkpoint inhibition
 - **d** Chemotherapy with concurrent checkpoint inhibition
 - This is the best option but, based on the KEYNOTE 407 study in a patient with widely metastatic SCC. Would also add denosumab or a bisphosphonate for bone mets, hypercalcemia.
 - **e**) Checkpoint inhibitor as single agent
 - Based on KEYNOTE 24 and KEYNOTE 42 this patient has PDL1 -10% so single agent would not have as good of an outcome as concurrent chemotherapy and CPI





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

PFS (RECISTv1.1, BICR)



Overall Survival







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- What is patient case study #2 instead was a neversmoker, CT guided biopsy done, c/w adenocarcinoma, PDL1 90%, EGFR L858R mutated. What is your next recommendation?
 - Thoracic surgery consultation for L pneumonectomy
 - Radiation consultation for CRT f/b Checkpoint inhibitor
 - Osimertinib as single agent
 - Chemotherapy with concurrent checkpoint inhibition
 - Checkpoint inhibitor as a single agent





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 - **b**) Radiation consultation for CRT f/b Checkpoint inhibitor
 - \bigcirc This patient has cT4N3M1C, not appropriate for curative intent CRT f/b CPI
 - **C** Osimertinib as single agent
 - This is the best option based on the Flaura trial and Meta-Analysis of CheckMate 057, KEYNOTE 010, Poplar, and IMPOWER 150 data
 - **d)** Chemotherapy with concurrent checkpoint inhibition
 - Driver mutation better response with EGFR inhibitor as above
 - **e** Checkpoint inhibitor as a single agent
 - O Driver mutation better response with EGFR inhibitor as above





Checkpoint Inhibitors in Metastatic EGFR-Mutated NSCLC

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







 This patient with cT4N3M1C SCC, PDL1 10% underwent Palliative Radiation 30Gy/10 fx to open up L mainstem bronchus f/b carbo/nab-paclitaxel/Pembrolizumab.

He is responding to therapy, clinically improving, now ambulating more with less SOB

 In the same patient who was a never-smoker, with AC, driver mutation and high PDL1 expression – thought provoking to differentiate between subgroups of NSCLC patients.





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