

Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Melanoma

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- Advisory boards: BMS, Novartis, Array
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- I will be discussing non-FDA approved indications during my presentation.



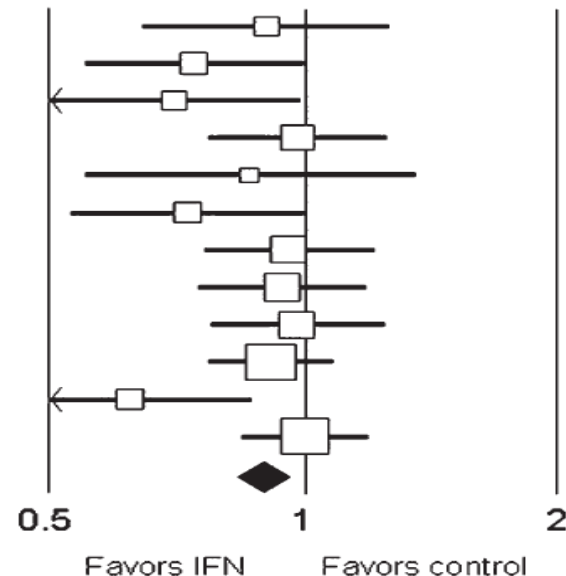
Current FDA Approved Immunotherapy For Melanoma

- *High-dose IL-2*: advanced melanoma
- *Interferon alpha-2b*: HD, pegylated: adjuvant high risk resected
- *Ipilimumab*: advanced melanoma and adjuvant treatment of high risk resected
- *Pembrolizumab*: advanced melanoma
- *Nivolumab*: advanced melanoma, adjuvant therapy
- *Ipilimumab + nivolumab*: advanced melanoma
- *Talimogene Laherparepvec*: unresectable cutaneous, subcutaneous and nodal



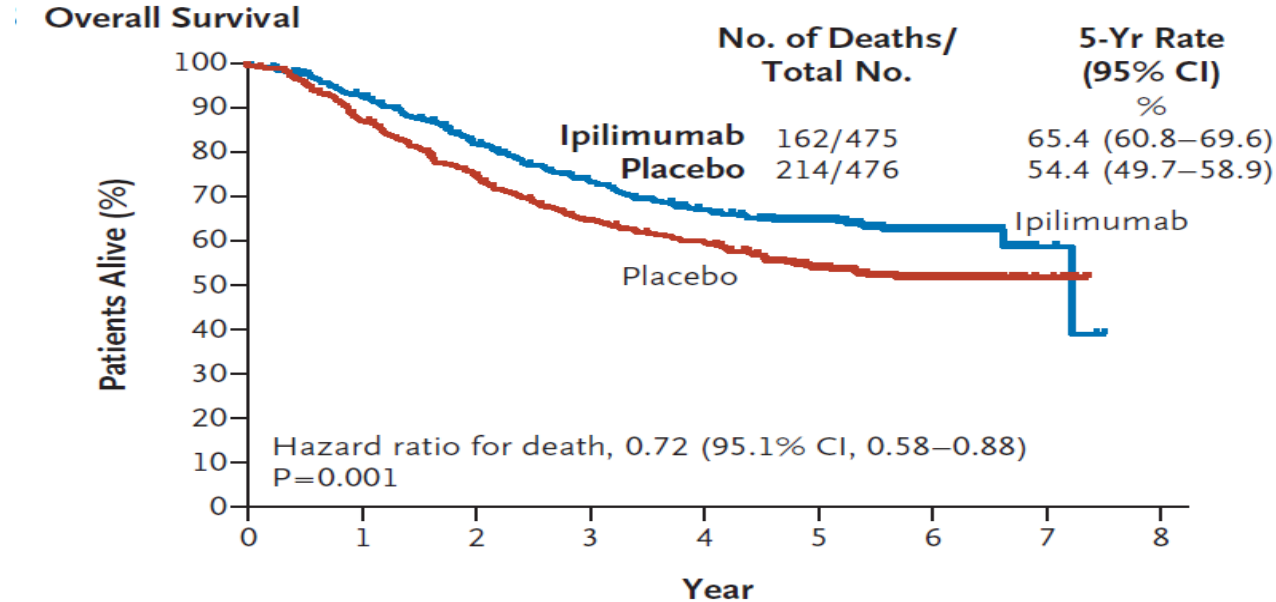
Adjuvant Treatment of High-Risk Melanoma

	HR	LL	UL	SE	Patients	Events (IFN/control)
NCCTG (Creagan, 1995)	0.90	0.64	1.25	0.17	264	68/72
E1684 (Kirkwood, 1996)	0.73	0.54	0.99	0.15	287	81/90
FCGM (Grob, 1998)	0.70	0.49	0.98	0.17	499	59/76
E1690 (Kirkwood, 2000)	0.98	0.76	1.24	0.12	642	194/186
SMG (Cameron, 2001)	0.86	0.54	1.35	0.23	96	31/36
E1694 (Kirkwood, 2001)	0.72	0.52	0.99	0.16	880	52/81
WHO (Cascinelli, 2001)	0.95	0.76	1.20	0.12	444	146/138
UKCCCR (Hancock, 2004)	0.94	0.74	1.17	0.12	674	151/156
EORTC18871 (Kleeberg, 2004)	0.98	0.77	1.23	0.12	484	137/202
EORTC18952 (Eggermont, 2005)	0.91	0.76	1.07	0.09	1388	534/292
DeCOG (Garbe, 2008)	0.62	0.44	0.86	0.17	296	65/88
EORTC18991 (Eggermont, 2008)	1.00	0.84	1.18	0.09	1256	256/257
	0.89	0.83	0.96	0.04		



Adjuvant high-dose interferon alpha has been estimated to improve OS in high risk melanoma by an absolute 3-5%.
Not all trials showed a survival benefit. Most showed RFS benefit.

Adjuvant Ipilimumab in High-Risk Melanoma



No. at Risk

Ipilimumab	475	431	369	325	290	199	62	4
Placebo	476	413	348	297	273	178	58	8

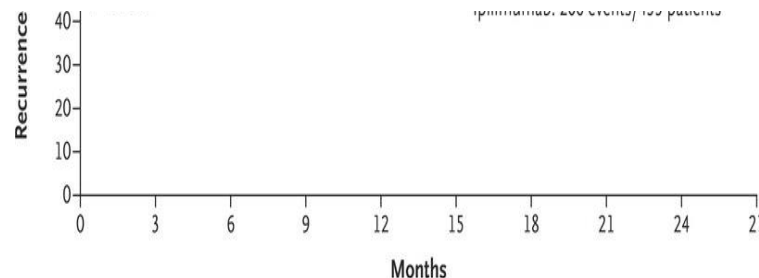


Adjuvant nivolumab vs ipilimumab in High-Risk Melanoma 3 mg/kg IV q 2 weeks x 1 year

A Intention-to-Treat Population



480 mg every 4 weeks FDA approved



No. at Risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
Nivolumab	453	399	353	332	311	291	249	71	5	0
Ipilimumab	453	364	314	269	252	225	184	56	2	0

Table 2. Adverse Events*

Event	Nivolumab (N=452)		Ipilimumab (N=453)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4
number of patients with event (percent)				
Any adverse event	438 (96.9)	115 (25.4)	446 (98.5)	250 (55.2)
				208 (45.9)
				41 (9.1)
				43 (9.5)
				5 (1.1)
Rash	30 (6.7)	3 (0.7)	133 (29.4)	14 (3.1)
Nausea	68 (15.0)	1 (0.2)	91 (20.1)	0
Arthralgia	57 (12.6)	1 (0.2)	49 (10.8)	2 (0.4)
Asthenia	57 (12.6)	1 (0.2)	53 (11.7)	4 (0.9)
Hypothyroidism	49 (10.8)	1 (0.2)	31 (6.8)	2 (0.4)
Headache	44 (9.7)	1 (0.2)	79 (17.4)	7 (1.5)
Abdominal pain	29 (6.4)	0	46 (10.2)	1 (0.2)
Increase in ALT level	28 (6.2)	5 (1.1)	66 (14.6)	26 (5.7)
Increase in AST level	25 (5.5)	2 (0.4)	60 (13.2)	19 (4.2)
Maculopapular rash	24 (5.3)	0	50 (11.0)	9 (2.0)
Hypophysitis	7 (1.5)	2 (0.4)	48 (10.6)	11 (2.4)
Pyrexia	7 (1.5)	0	54 (11.9)	2 (0.4)
Any adverse event leading to discontinuation	44 (9.7)	21 (4.6)	193 (42.6)	140 (30.9)
Treatment-related adverse event leading to discontinuation	35 (7.7)	16 (3.5)	189 (41.7)	136 (30.0)





Other adjuvant trials with pending data

- S1404
 - IFN/ipilimumab vs. pembrolizumab
 - Accrued; results pending
 - Inclusion criteria: IIIA (N2a), IIIB, IIIC, IV
- EORTC-1325/KEYNOTE-054
 - pembrolizumab vs. placebo
 - RFS (primary endpoint) HR=0.57 favoring pembrolizumab
 - Inclusion criteria: IIIA (> 1mm nodal met), IIIB, IIIC
- CheckMate 915
 - nivolumab vs ipilimumab + nivolumab (attenuated)
 - Ongoing
 - Inclusion criteria: IIIB,IIIC,IIID, IV (AJCC 8th edition)

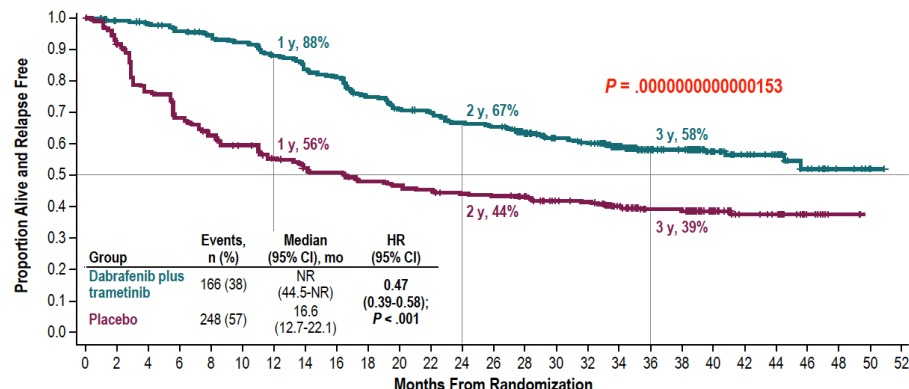




Adjuvant therapy of high risk BRAF V600 mutant melanoma

RELAPSE-FREE SURVIVAL (PRIMARY ENDPOINT)

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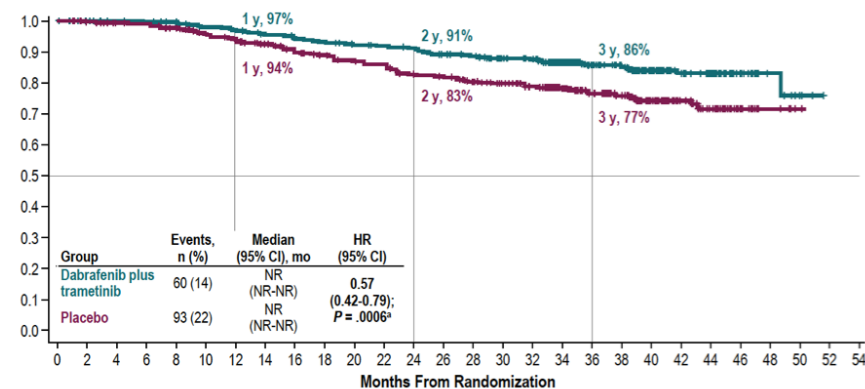


No. at Risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52
Dabrafenib plus trametinib	438	413	405	392	382	373	355	336	325	299	282	276	263	257	233	202	194	147	116	110	66	52	42	19	7	2	0
Placebo	432	387	322	280	263	243	219	203	198	185	178	175	168	166	158	141	138	106	87	86	50	33	30	9	3	0	0

NR: not reached

OVERALL SURVIVAL (FIRST INTERIM ANALYSIS)

SMO congress



No. at Risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54
Dabrafenib plus trametinib	438	426	416	414	408	401	395	387	381	376	370	366	362	352	328	301	291	233	180	164	105	82	67	28	12	5	0	0
Placebo	432	425	415	410	401	386	378	362	346	337	328	323	308	303	284	269	252	202	164	152	94	64	51	17	7	1	0	0

boundary (P = .000019)



A 36 year-old man with a changing congenital mole

- Bx 10/2012: superficial spreading melanoma 2.5 mm, non-ulcerated, mitotic rate $>4/\text{mm}^2$: T3a, N0
- Treated with WLE, negative R axillary LN bx.
- In January 2017: metastatic melanoma in two right inguinal palpable lymph nodes treated with complete nodal dissection: 11/16 LN +, extranodal disease present.
- Tumor showed a BRAF V600E mutation.

Question 1

How would you treat this patient TODAY?

- adjuvant high dose interferon for one year
- dabrafenib plus trametinib for one year
- adjuvant ipilimumab at 10 mg/kg for 2 years
- adjuvant nivolumab 3 mg/kg every 2 weeks for one year 
- none of the above



32 year old pregnant singer treated with CTLA-4 blocking Ab

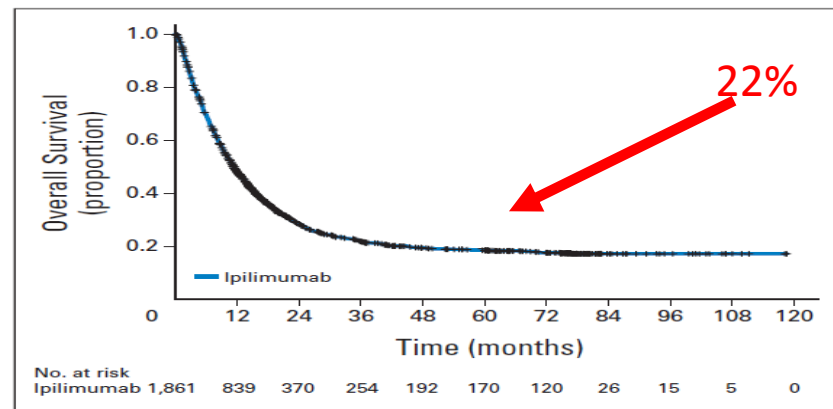
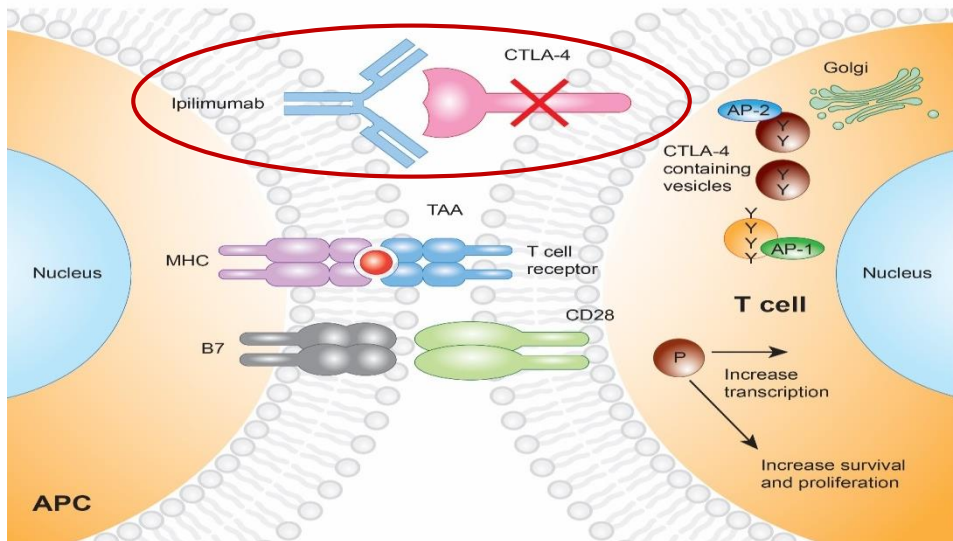


January 2006



January 2018

Ipilimumab & Immune Check-Point Blockade



Luke et al, Oncologist 2013
Schadendorf et al, J Clin Oncol 2015

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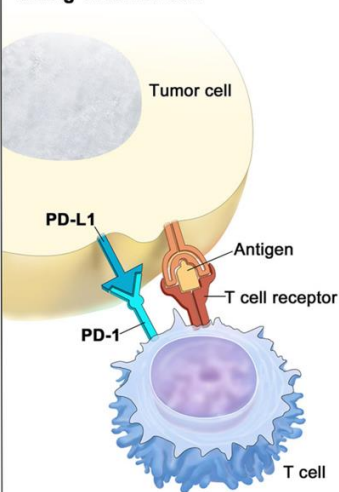
Anti-PD1 (pembrolizumab) *after* ipilimumab

Front-line anti-PD1 (nivolumab) vs. DTIC

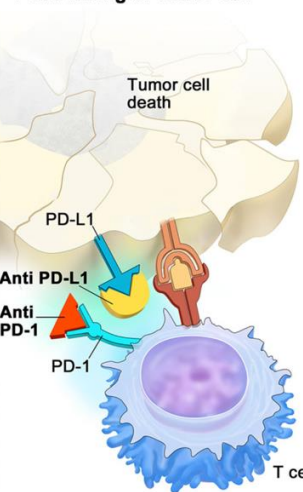
Front-line anti-PD1 (pembrolizumab) vs. ipilimumab

Anti-PD1 in Melanoma

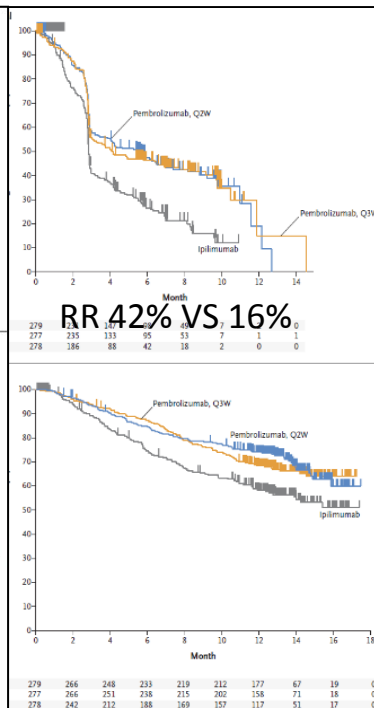
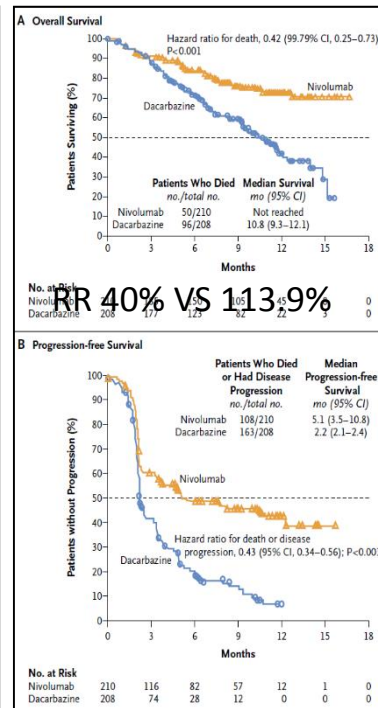
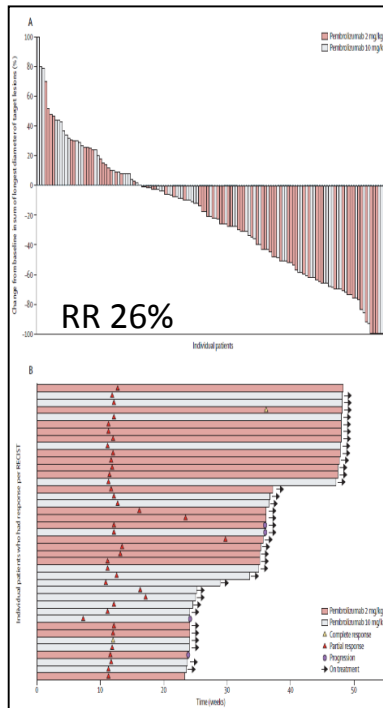
PD-L1/PD-1 binding inhibits T cell killing of tumor cell



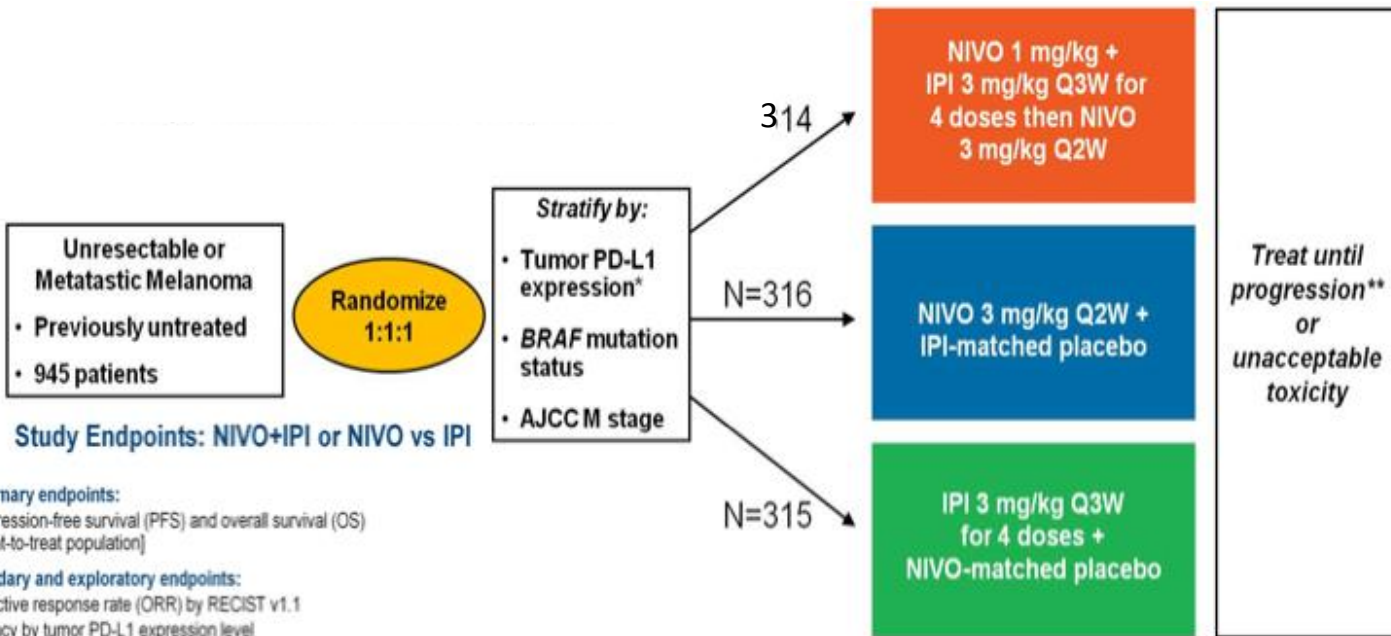
Blocking PD-L1 or PD-1 allows T cell killing of tumor cell



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Co-primary endpoints:

- Progression-free survival (PFS) and overall survival (OS) [intent-to-treat population]

Secondary and exploratory endpoints:

- Objective response rate (ORR) by RECIST v1.1
- Efficacy by tumor PD-L1 expression level
- Safety profile (in patients who received ≥ 1 dose of study drug)

Current analysis:

- Efficacy and safety update with follow-up of at least 18 months (database lock: Nov 2015)
 - Median follow-up at time of database lock was 20.7 months
 - OS remains immature



Table 1. Response to Treatment.*

Variable	Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab (N = 314)	Nivolumab (N = 316)	Ipilimumab (N = 315)
Best overall response — no. (%)†			
Complete response	61 (19)	52 (16)	16 (5)
Partial response	122 (39)	88 (28)	43 (14)
Stable disease	38 (12)	31 (10)	69 (22)
Progressive disease	74 (24)	121 (38)	159 (50)
Unable to determine	19 (6)	24 (8)	28 (9)
Objective response‡			
No. of patients with response	183	140	59
% of patients (95% CI)	58 (53–64)	44 (39–50)	19 (15–24)
Estimated odds ratio (95% CI)§	6.46 (4.45–9.38)	3.57 (2.48–5.15)	—
P value	<0.001	<0.001	—
Median duration of response (95% CI) — mo	NR	NR (36.3–NR)	19.3 (8.3–NR)

* NR denotes not reached.

† The best overall response was assessed by the investigator according to the Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors, version 1.1.

‡ Data included patients with a complete response and those with a partial response. The calculation of the 95% confidence interval was based on the Clopper–Pearson method.

§ The comparison is with the ipilimumab group.



Kaplan–Meier Estimates of Survival (f/u 36 mos)

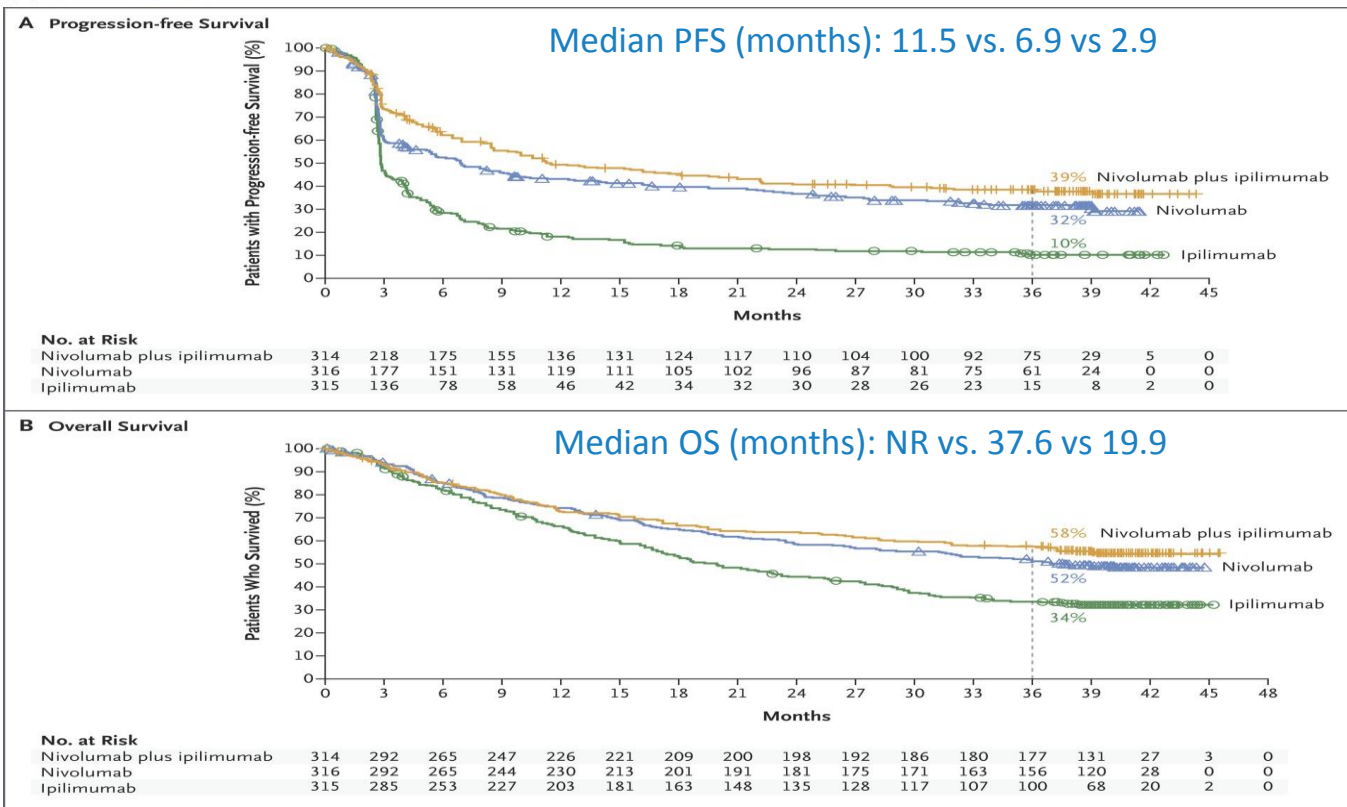


Table 2. Treatment-Related Adverse Events.*

Event	Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab (N=313)		Nivolumab (N=313)		Ipilimumab (N=311)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4
	<i>number of patients with event (percent)</i>					
Any treatment-related adverse event	300 (96)	184 (59)	270 (86)	67 (21)	268 (86)	86 (28)
Rash	93 (30)	10 (3)	72 (23)	1 (<1)	68 (22)	5 (2)
Pruritus	112 (35)	6 (2)	67 (21)	1 (<1)	113 (36)	1 (<1)
Vitiligo	28 (9)	0	29 (9)	1 (<1)	16 (5)	0
Maculopapular rash	38 (12)	6 (2)	15 (5)	2 (1)	38 (12)	1 (<1)
Fatigue	119 (38)	13 (4)	114 (36)	3 (1)	89 (29)	3 (1)
Asthenia	30 (10)	1 (<1)	25 (8)	1 (<1)	17 (5)	2 (1)
Pyrexia	60 (19)	2 (1)	21 (7)	0	21 (7)	1 (<1)
Diarrhea	142 (45)	29 (9)	67 (21)	9 (3)	105 (34)	18 (6)
Nausea	88 (28)	7 (2)	41 (13)	0	51 (16)	2 (1)
Vomiting	48 (15)	7 (2)	22 (7)	1 (<1)	24 (8)	1 (<1)
Abdominal pain	26 (8)	1 (<1)	18 (6)	0	28 (9)	2 (1)
Colitis	40 (13)	26 (8)	7 (2)	3 (1)	35 (11)	24 (8)
Headache	35 (11)	2 (1)	24 (8)	0	25 (8)	1 (<1)
Arthralgia	43 (14)	2 (1)	31 (10)	1 (<1)	22 (7)	0
Increased lipase level	44 (14)	34 (11)	27 (9)	14 (4)	18 (6)	12 (4)
Increased amylase level	26 (8)	9 (3)	20 (6)	6 (2)	15 (5)	4 (1)
Increased aspartate aminotransferase level	51 (16)	19 (6)	14 (4)	3 (1)	12 (4)	2 (1)
Increased alanine aminotransferase level	60 (19)	27 (9)	13 (4)	4 (1)	12 (4)	5 (2)
Decreased weight	19 (6)	0	10 (3)	0	4 (1)	1 (<1)
Hypothyroidism	53 (17)	1 (<1)	33 (11)	0	14 (5)	0
Hyperthyroidism	35 (11)	3 (1)	14 (4)	0	3 (1)	0
Hypophysitis	23 (7)	5 (2)	2 (1)	1 (<1)	12 (4)	5 (2)
Decreased appetite	60 (19)	4 (1)	36 (12)	0	41 (13)	1 (<1)
Cough	25 (8)	0	19 (6)	2 (1)	15 (5)	0
Dyspnea	36 (12)	3 (1)	19 (6)	1 (<1)	12 (4)	0
Pneumonitis	22 (7)	3 (1)	5 (2)	1 (<1)	5 (2)	1 (<1)
Treatment-related adverse event leading to discontinuation	123 (39)	95 (30)	37 (12)	24 (8)	49 (16)	43 (14)

* Shown are treatment-related adverse events of any grade that occurred in more than 5% of the patients in any treatment group who had one or more treatment-related adverse events of grade 3 or 4. The relatedness of the adverse event to treatment was determined by the investigators. The severity of adverse events was graded according to the National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events, version 4.0. Two deaths that were considered by the investigators to be related to a study drug occurred in the nivolumab group (neutropenia) and in the ipilimumab group (colonic perforation) within 100 days after the last dose of study drug; two additional deaths in the nivolumab-plus-ipilimumab group (one due to cardiac insufficiency and autoimmune myocarditis, and one due to liver necrosis) that were considered by the investigator to be related to a study drug were reported more than 100 days after the last dose of study drug.

T cell checkpoint modulation

- **Single Agents**

- **Agonists**

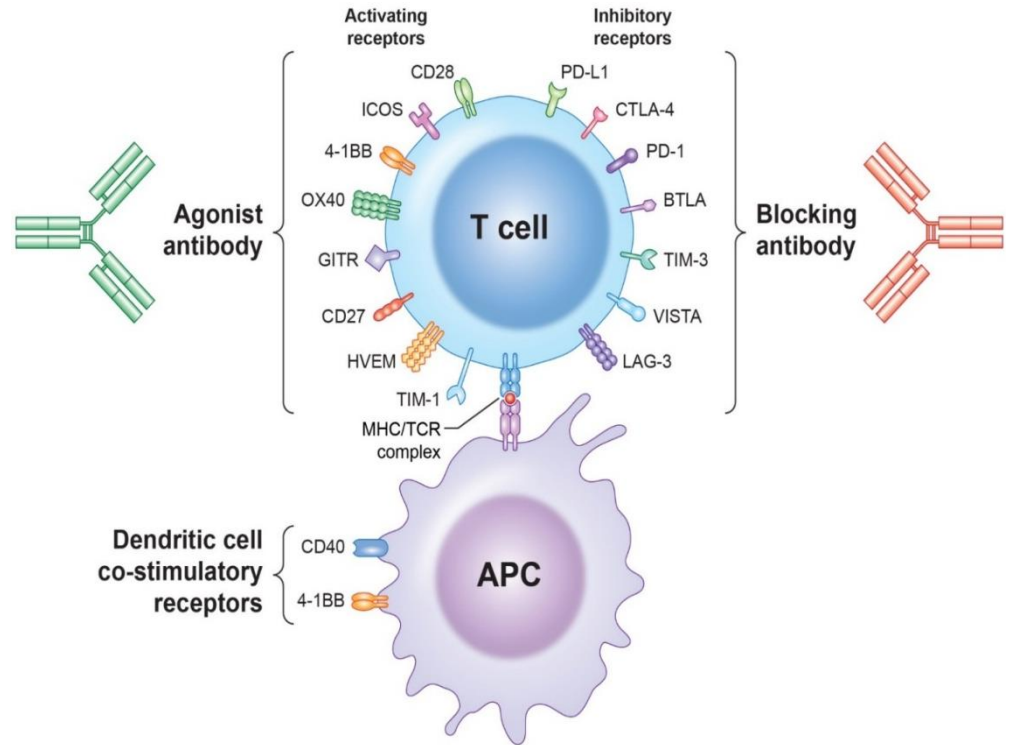
- Anti-ICOS
 - Anti-GITR
 - Anti-OX40
 - Anti-41BB (CD 137)
 - Anti-CD27

- **Antagonists**

- Anti-LAG3
 - Anti-TIM3
 - Anti-VISTA

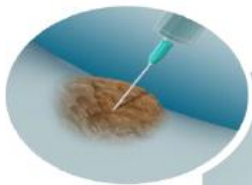
- **Combinations**

- IDO + ipi/pembro/durva
 - TVEC+ ipi/pembro
 - pembro/ipi + IFN
 - pembro + JAK/STAT inhibitors
 - nivo + CD 137/TRAIL-R2 Ab/LAG-3
 - ipi + nivo + HDAC inhibitors

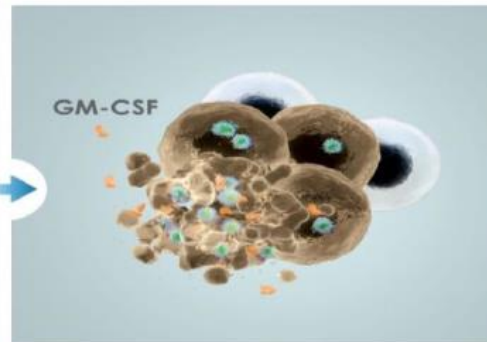
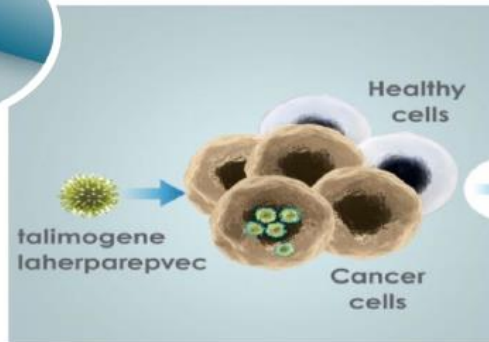


T-VEC: An HSV-1-Derived Oncolytic Immunotherapy Designed to Produce Local and Systemic Effects

Local Effect: Virally-Induced Tumor Cell Lysis



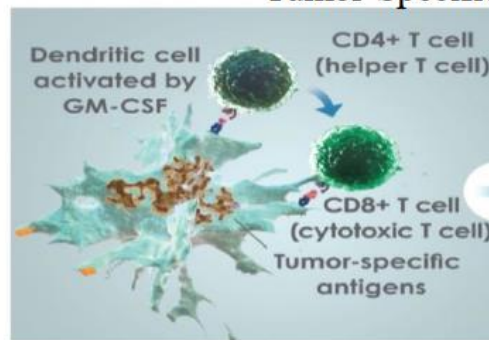
Selective viral
replication in tumor
tissue



Tumor cells rupture for
an oncolytic effect

Systemic Effect: Tumor-Specific Immune Response

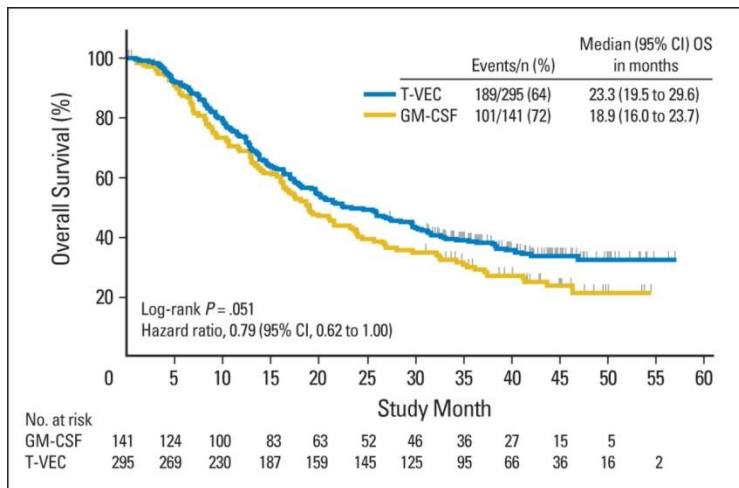
Systemic
tumor-specific
immune response



Death of distant cancer
cells



Talimogene laherparepvec(TVEC) pivotal trial



Response	T-VEC (n = 295)	GM-CSF (n = 141)	P
DRR			< .001
Patients with durable response, No.	48	3	
DRR, %*	16.3	2.1	
95% CI	12.1 to 20.5	0 to 4.5	
Unadjusted odds ratio	8.9		
95% CI	2.7 to 29.2		

Approved in 2015 for treatment of
unresectable *cutaneous, subcutaneous*
and nodal melanoma

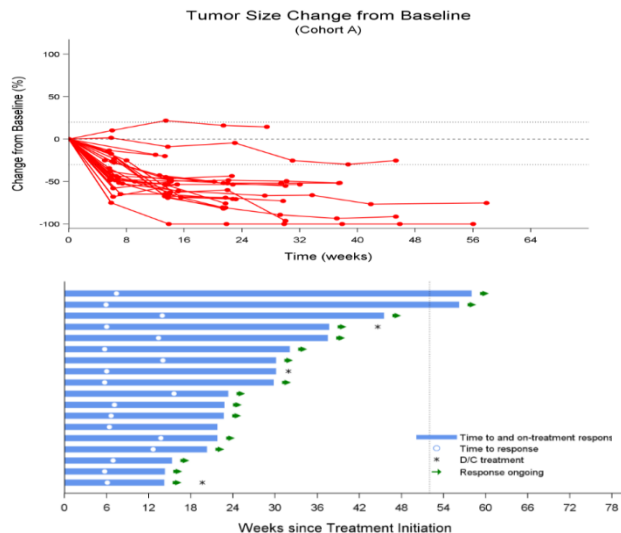




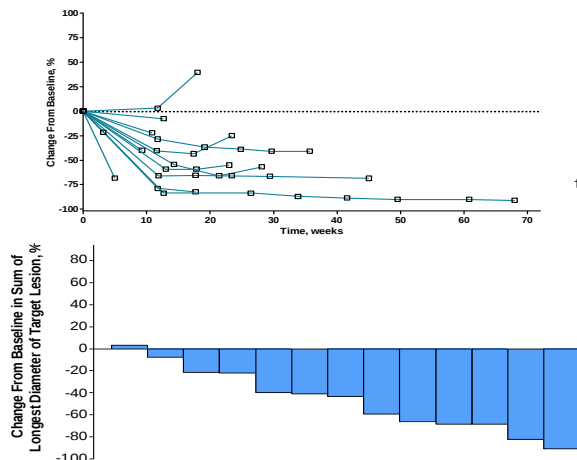
- BRAFi + MEKi + anti PD-(L)1
- MEKi + anti PD-(L)1
- Indolamine Dioxygenase inhibitors (IDOi)
+ anti PD-(L)1
- Talimogene laharparepvec (TVEC) + anti
PD(L)1



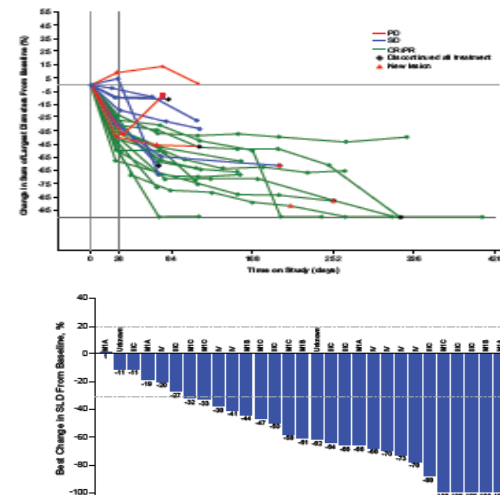
Dabrafenib+Trametinib+ Durvalumab



Dabrafenib+Trametinib+ Pembrolizumab



Vemurafenib+Cobimetinib+ Atezolizumab



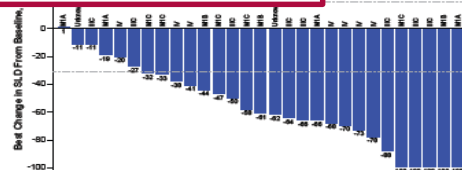
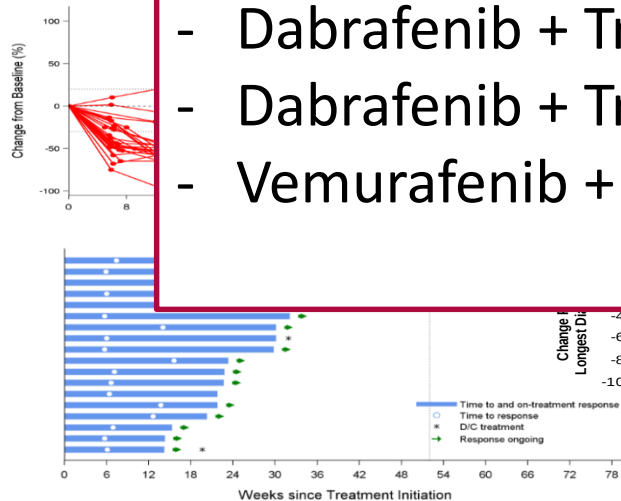
Dabrafenib+Trametinib+
Durvalumab

Dabrafenib+Trametinib+
Pembrolizumab

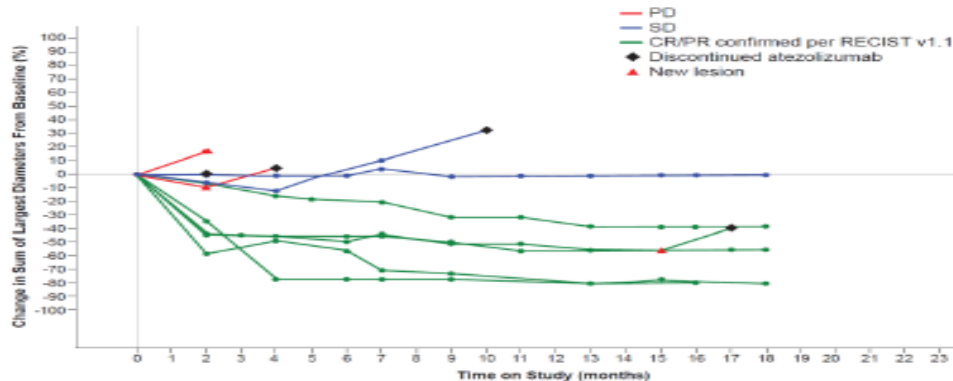
Vemurafenib+Cobimetinib+
Atezolizumab

Multiple Triplet Combinations Launching Into Phase III:

- Dabrafenib + Trametinib + Pembrolizumab
- Dabrafenib + Trametinib + PDR-001
- Vemurafenib + Cobimetinib + Atezolizumab



BRAF WT (n = 10)



**Phase III Study of Cobimetinib +
Atezolizumab versus Pembrolizumab in
Patients with Untreated BRAFV600 Wild-
Type Melanoma**

PROTOCOL NUMBER: CO39722

	N = 22, n (%)
Median safety follow-up, mo (range)	14.0 mo (2.4-20.2)
All grade treatment-related AEs	22 (100%)
Grade 3-4 treatment-related AEs	13 (59%)
Grade 3-4 atezolizumab-related AEs	8 (36%)
Grade 3-4 cobimetinib-related AEs	10 (45%)
AEs leading to treatment dose modification/interruption	14 (64%)
Treatment-related SAEs ^a	4 (18%)
Treatment discontinuation ^b	3 (14%)
Cobimetinib discontinuation	3 (14%)
All treatment discontinuation	1 (5%)

Atezolizumab:
 PD-L1

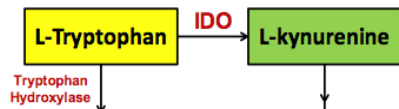
Pembrolizumab :
 PD-1





Indoleamine Dioxygenase-1 (IDO1)

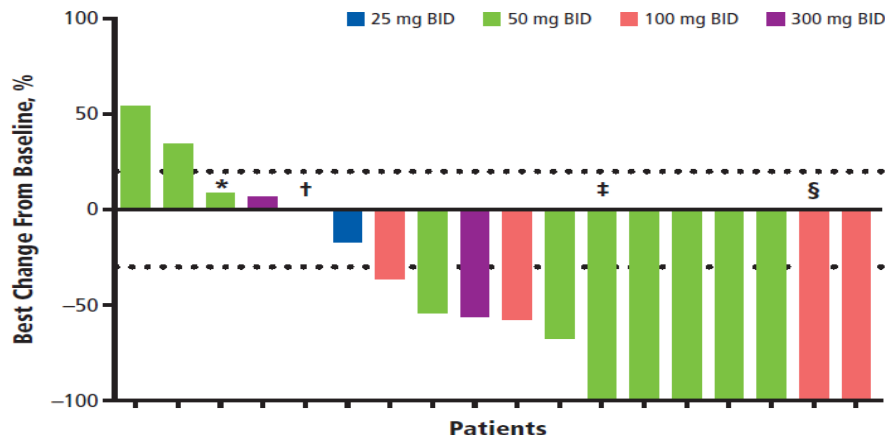
- IDO1 is a heme-containing monomeric oxidoreductase that metabolizes tryptophan to kynurenine



A Phase 3 Study of Pembrolizumab + Epacadostat or Placebo in Subjects With Unresectable or Metastatic Melanoma (Keynote-252 / ECHO-301)
ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02752074

RECIST response = 58%, no increase in toxicity from pembrolizumab alone

Phase 1/2 Study of **Epacadostat** (INCB024360) + **Pembrolizumab** in Patients With Melanoma

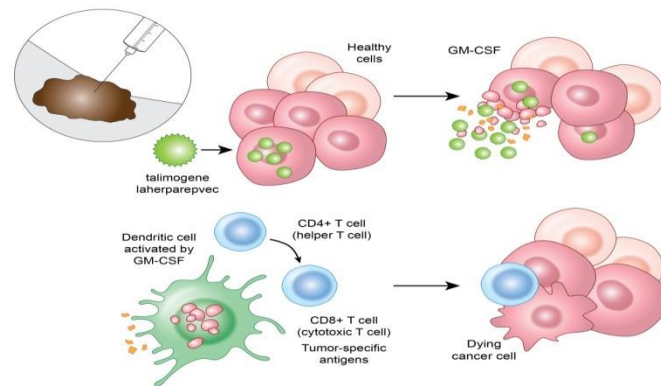
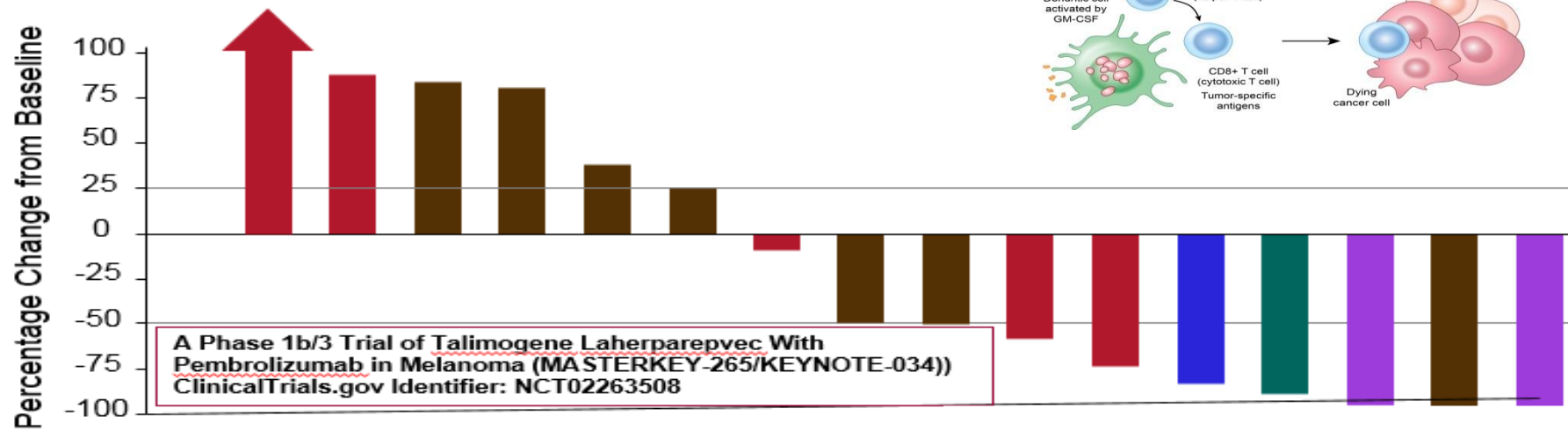




T-VEC + Pembrolizumab in Stage IIIB-IV Melanoma

- Stage IIIB (N=1)
- Stage IIIC (N=5)
- Stage IV M1a (N=1)
- Stage IV M1b (N=2)
- Stage IV M1c (N=7)

RECIST response = 46%, no increase in toxicity from pembrolizumab alone

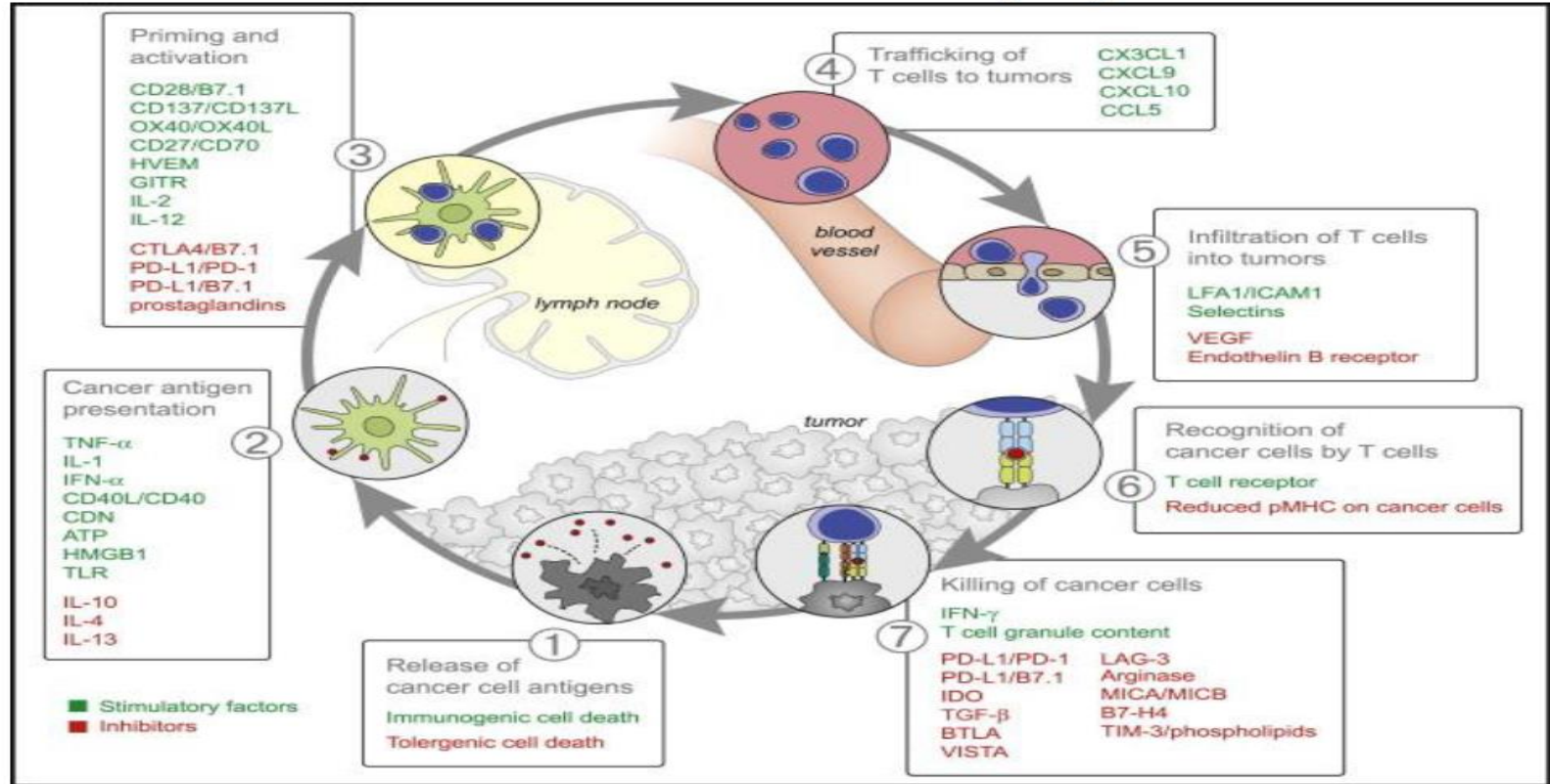


The Immunotherapy Plot Thickens

- RT and the immune system
- Innate Immune Sensing
 - TLRs, STING, oncolytic viruses
- Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes:
 - TIL
 - Modified TIL
 - Other TCRs
- Metabolism
 - Adenosine (A2A receptor block)
 - Arginine depletion
 - Glutamine depletion
 - Hypoxia inducible factor-1 (HIF-1) inhibition
 - Oxidative phosphorylation (OXPHOS): metformin
- Gut microbiome



The Immune System and Cancer



Conclusions

- Immunotherapy is the standard of care in melanoma
- Likely first and second line in most patients
- irAEs can be managed effectively
- Understanding mechanisms of action important
- Immunotherapy combinations are likely the future for melanoma and possibly most malignancies.