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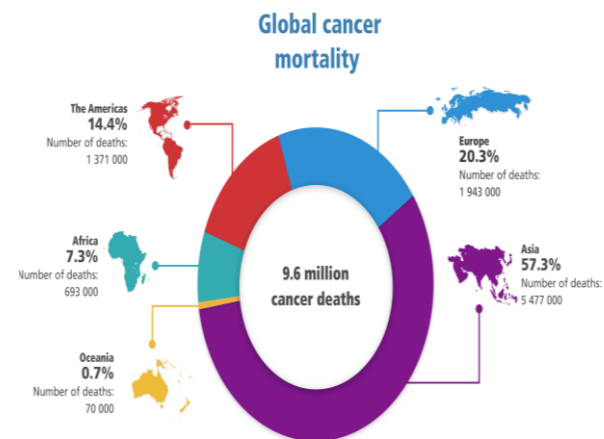
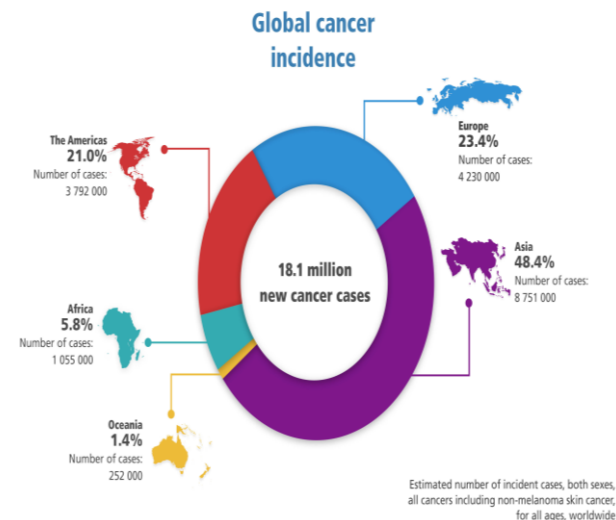
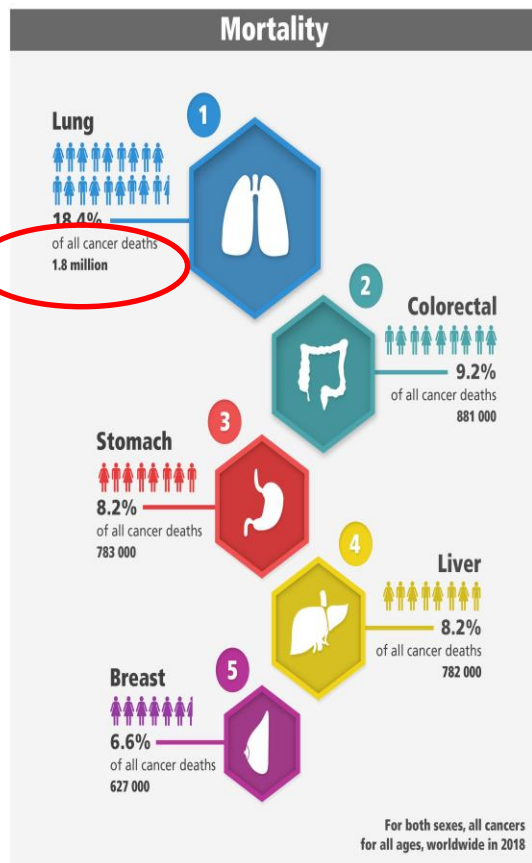
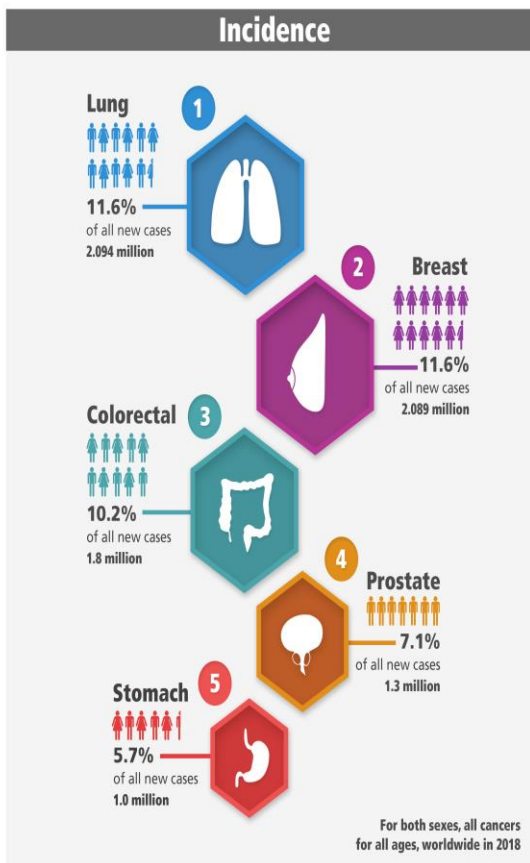
# Advances in Non-small Lung Cancer

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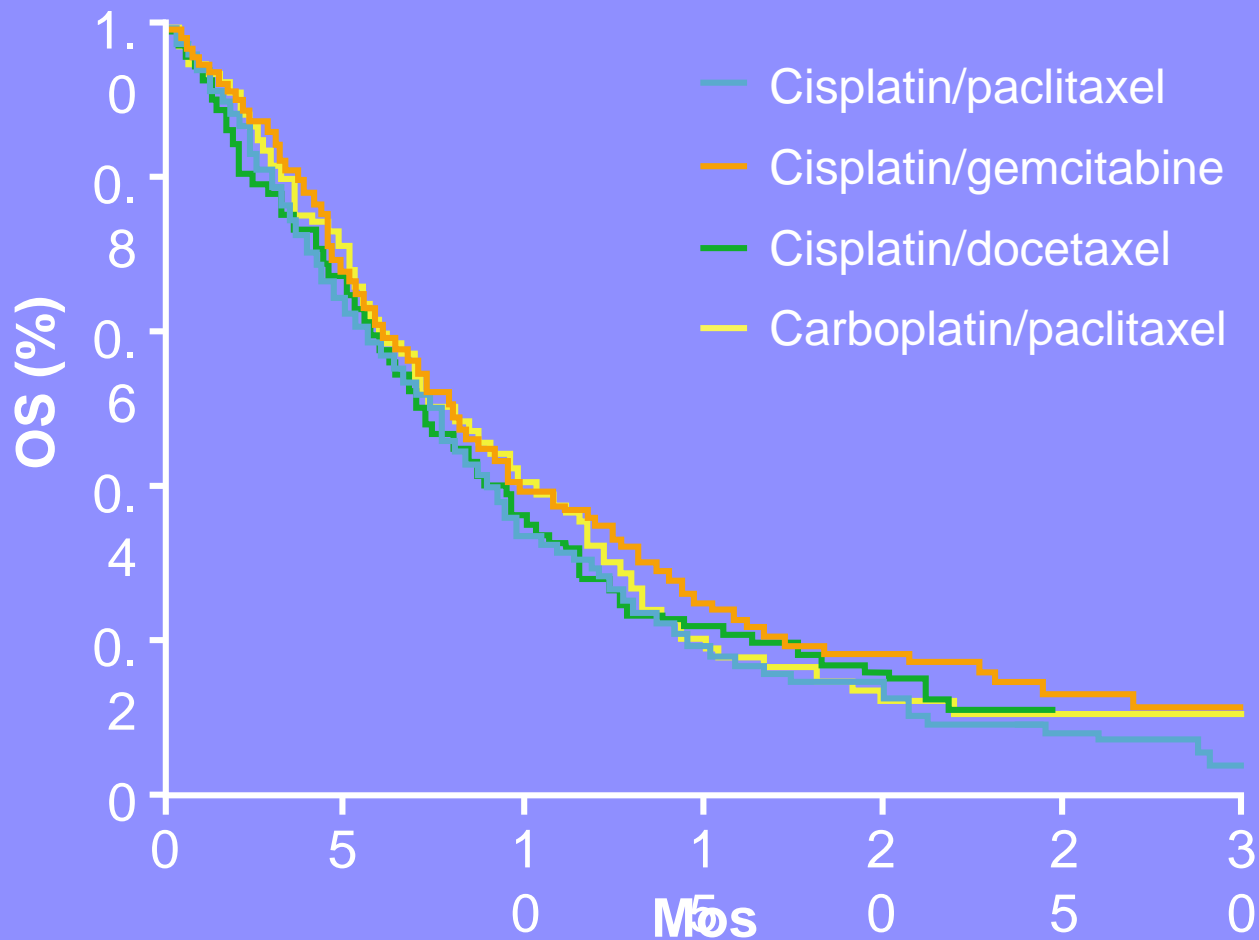
### Percentages of new cancer cases and cancer deaths worldwide in 2018



Data source: GLOBOCAN 2018  
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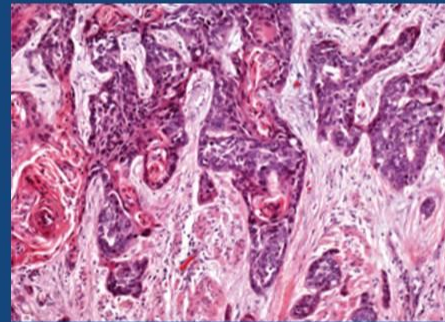
# Therapeutic Plateau in Metastatic NSCLC

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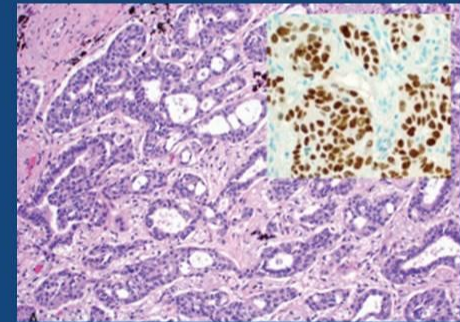


# How do we describe lung cancer in 2018?

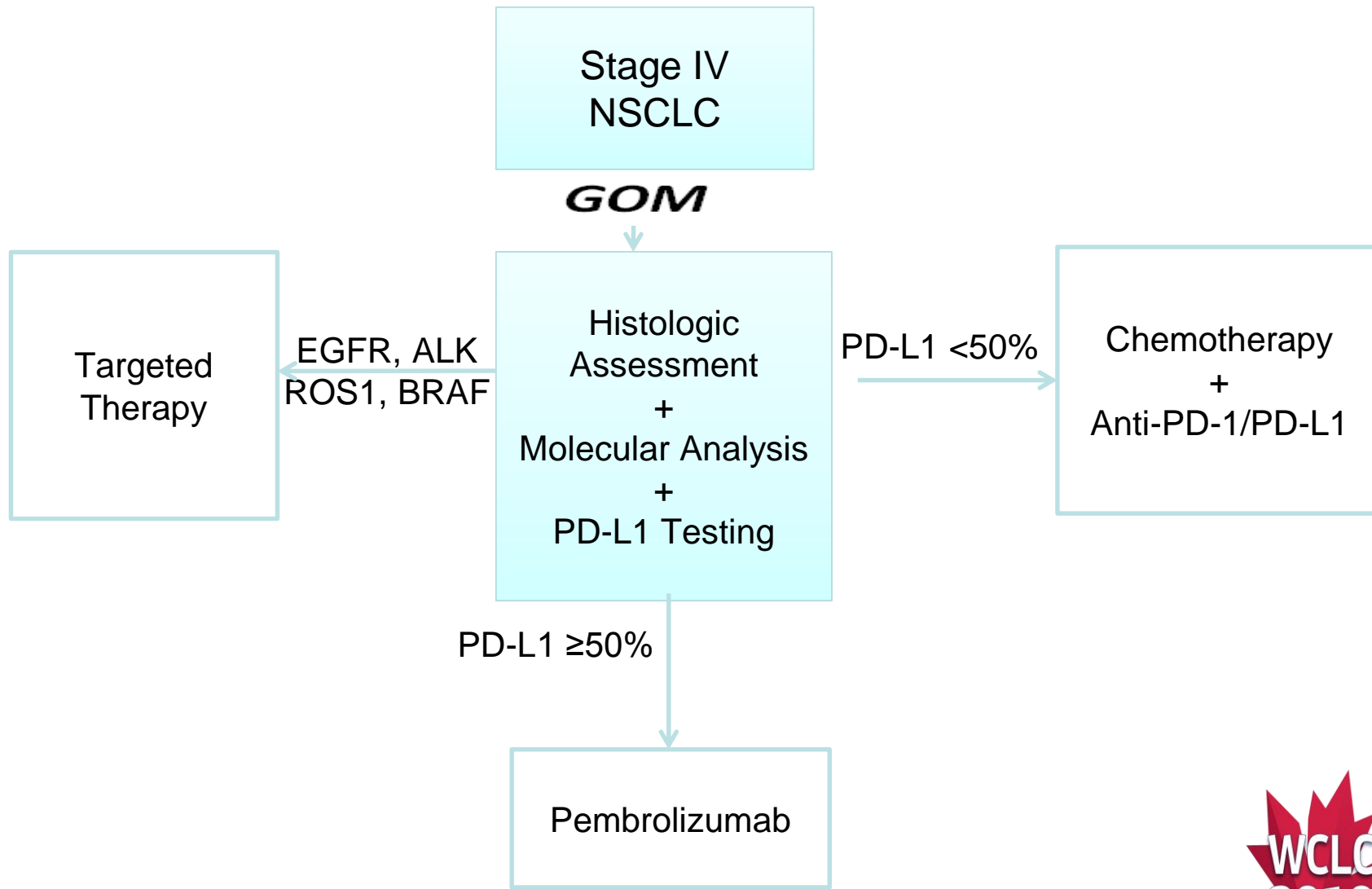
Histology



Squamous Cell Carcinoma



Adenocarcinoma



# What Tools Can Facilitate Personalized Therapy in Advanced-Stage NSCLC?

**Chemotherapy**

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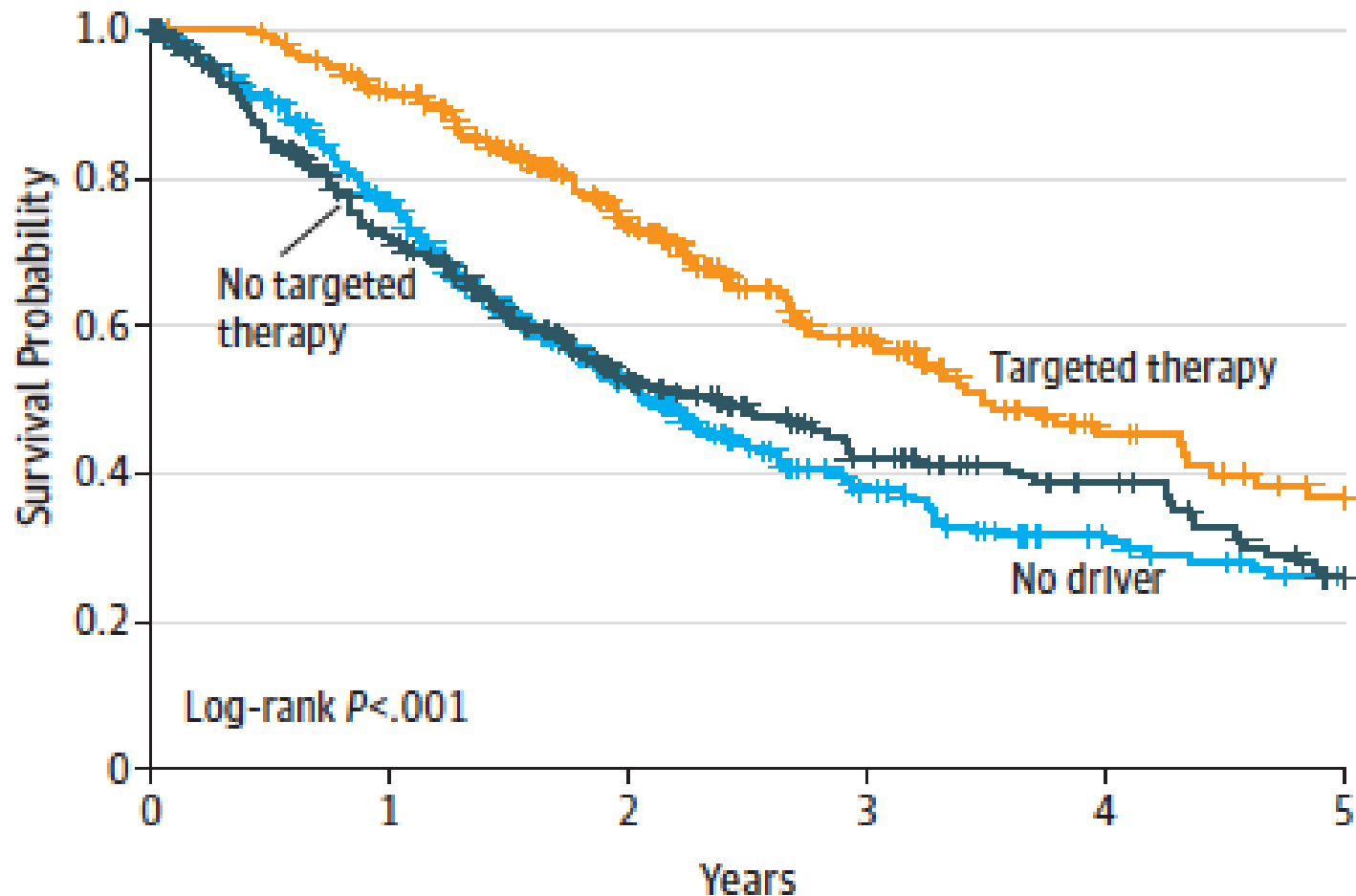
**Targeted Therapy**

Genomics-  
driven  
TKIs:  
▪ EGFR  
▪ ALK  
▪ ROS1

**Checkpoint Inhibitors**

Anti-PD-1  
Anti-PD-L1  
Anti-CTLA-  
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# Multiplex Assays of Oncogenic Drivers in Lung Cancer



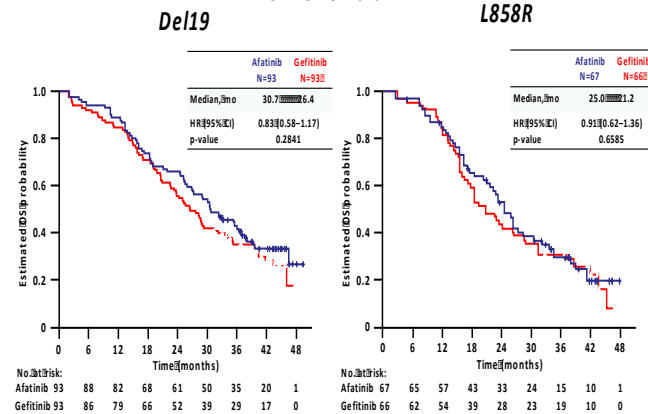
# EGFR-TKIs in *EGFR*<sup>mut+</sup> NSCLC

## 1: Ten studies demonstrated superiority over standard CT

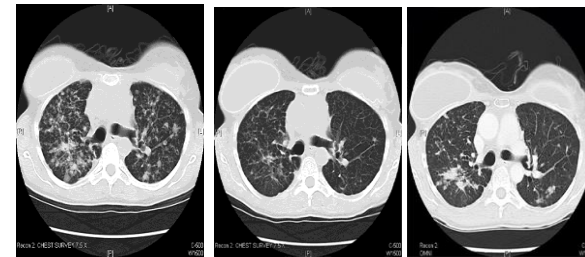
Study	#	Treatment	RR%	PFS		OS	
				mPFS (mos)	HR P-value	mOS(mos)	HR P-value
IPASS*	97	Gefitinib	71.2	9.5	0.48	21.6	1.00
	111	CBDCA+TXL	47.3	6.3	<0.0001	21.9	0.99
First SIGNAL*	159	Gefitinib	84.6	8.0	0.54	27.2	1.04
	150	CDDP+GEM	37.5	6.3	0.008	25.6	NR
WJTOG405*	88	Gefitinib	62.1	9.2	0.48	34.8	1.25
	89	CDDP+TXL	32.2	6.3	<0.001	37.3	NR
NEJ002*	114	Gefitinib	73.7	10.4	0.36	27.7	0.89
	114	CBDCA+TXL	30.7	5.5	<0.001	26.6	0.48
OPTIMAL*	82	Erlotinib	83.0	13.1	0.16	22.6	1.06
	72	CBDCA+GEM	36.0	4.6	<0.0001	28.8	0.68
EURTAC*	84	Erlotinib	54.5	9.4	0.34	19.3	1.04
	82	Platinum Doublet	10.5	5.2	<0.0001	19.5	0.87
ENSURE*	110	Erlotinib	68.2	11.1	0.43	NR	NR
	107	CDDP+GEM	39.3	5.7	<0.0001	NR	NR
LUXLung03*	230	Afatinib	56.0	11.1	0.58	16.6	1.12
	115	CDDP+PEM	23.0	6.9	0.001	14.8	0.60
LUXLung04*	242	Afatinib	66.9	11.0	0.28	22.1	0.95
	122	CDDP+GEM	23.0	5.6	<0.0001	22.2	0.76
Patil/Mo (Indian Trial)*	145	Gefitinib	63.5	8.4	0.66	18.0	0.78
	145	CBDCA+PEM	45.3	5.6	<0.001	22.6	0.133

## 2: Three drugs very similar in efficacy

Overall survival according to the type of EGFR mutation  
LUX-LUNG 04 trial



## 3: Limited PFS and acquired resistance



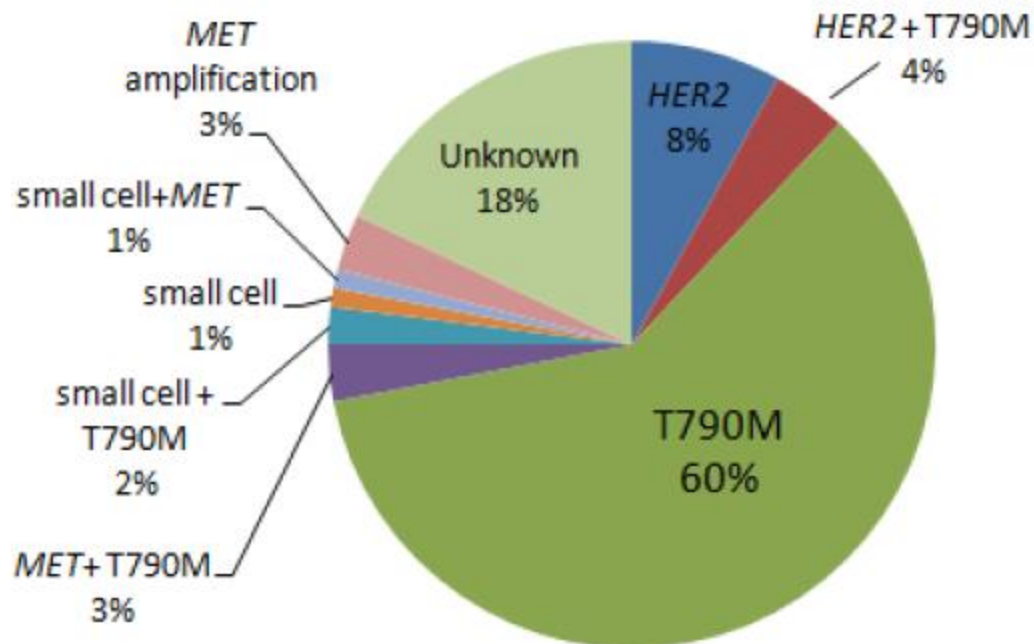
Baseline

Tumor Regression  
(RR up to 90%)

Progression  
(median 9 months)

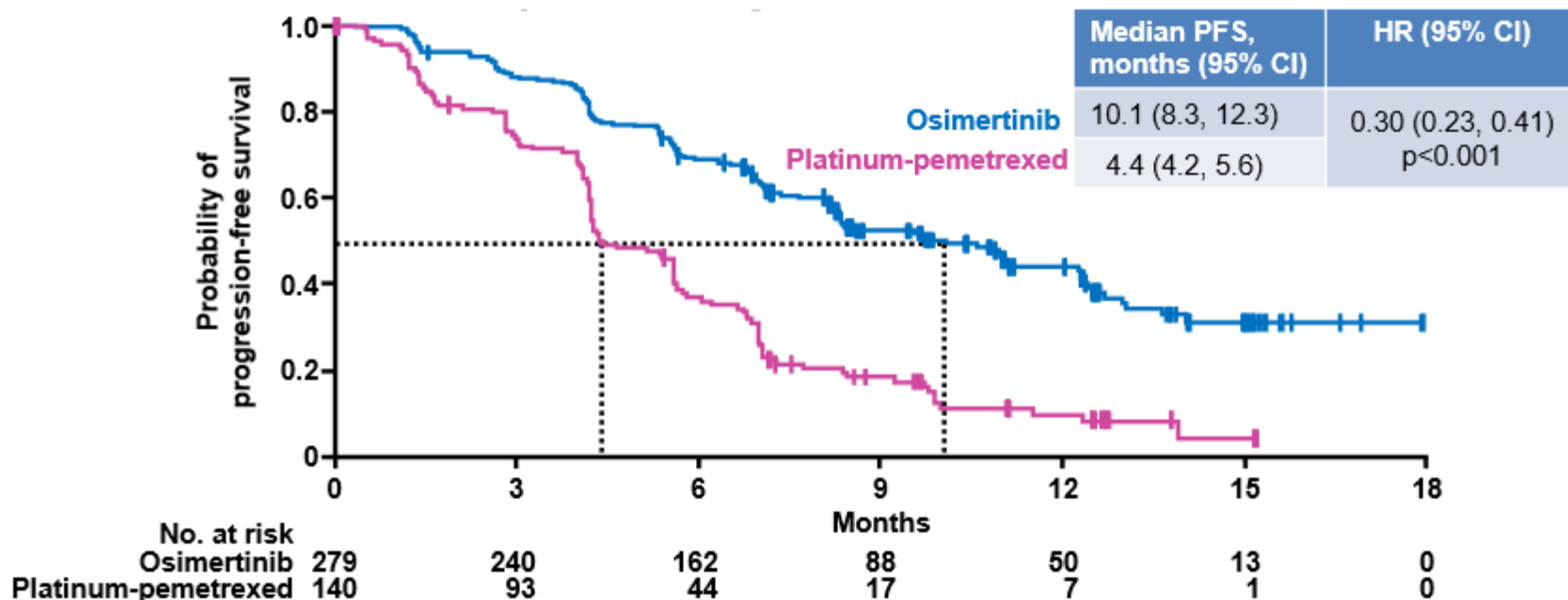


## Mechanisms of resistance to first gen EGFR TKIs



Sequist et al., *Sci Transl Med* 2011 ; Yu et al., *Clin Cancer Res* 2013  
(and many other pie bakers)

# AURA3 primary endpoint: PFS by investigator assessment



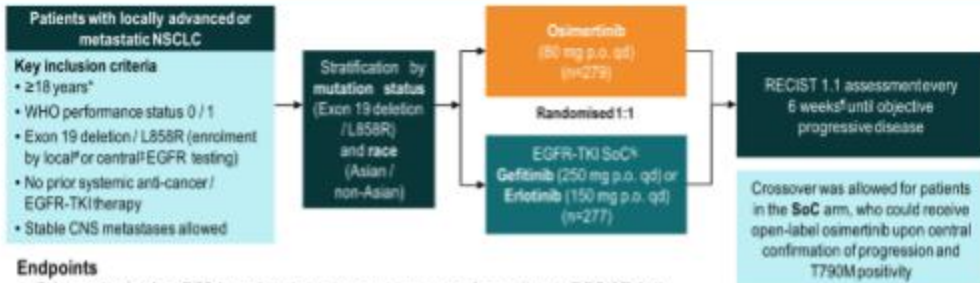
- Analysis of PFS by BICR was consistent with the investigator-based analysis: **HR 0.28** (95% CI 0.20, 0.38), p < 0.001; median PFS 11.0 vs 4.2 months.

Population: intent-to-treat

Progression-free survival defined as time from randomisation until date of objective disease progression or death; calculated using the Kaplan-Meier approach. Progression included deaths in the absence of RECIST progression.

Tick marks indicate censored data; CI, confidence interval

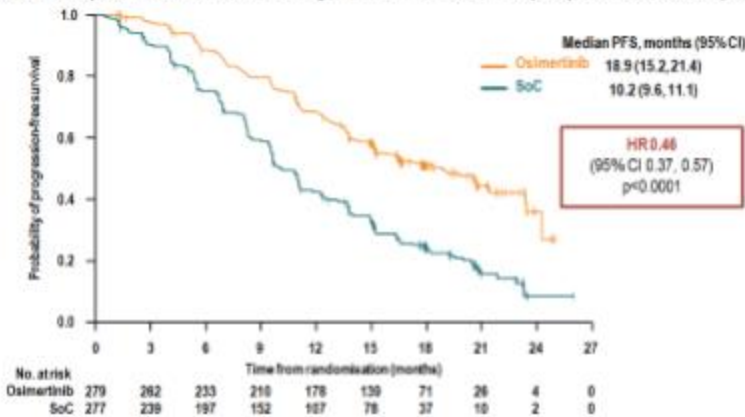
# FLAURA trial: survival outcomes



## Endpoints

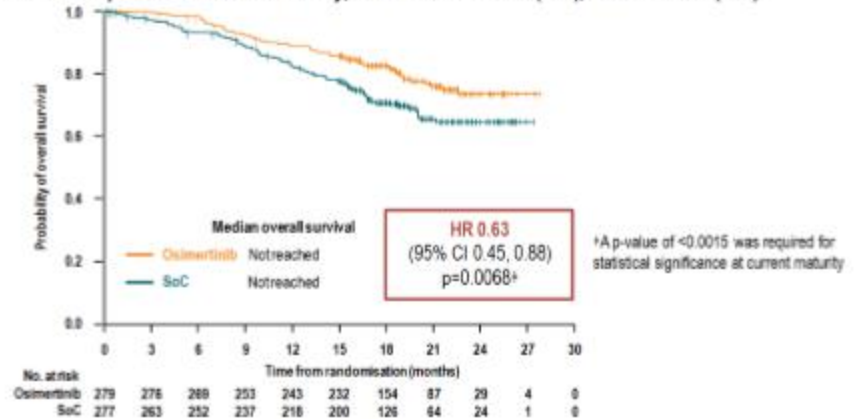
- **Primary endpoint:** PFS based on investigator assessment (according to RECIST 1.1)
  - The study had a 90% power to detect a hazard ratio of 0.71 (representing an improvement in median PFS from 10 months to 14.1 months) at a two-sided alpha-level of 5%
- **Secondary endpoints:** objective response rate, duration of response, disease control rate, depth of response, overall survival, patient reported outcomes, safety

342 events in 556 patients at DCO: 62% maturity; osimertinib: 136 events (49%), SoC: 206 events (74%)



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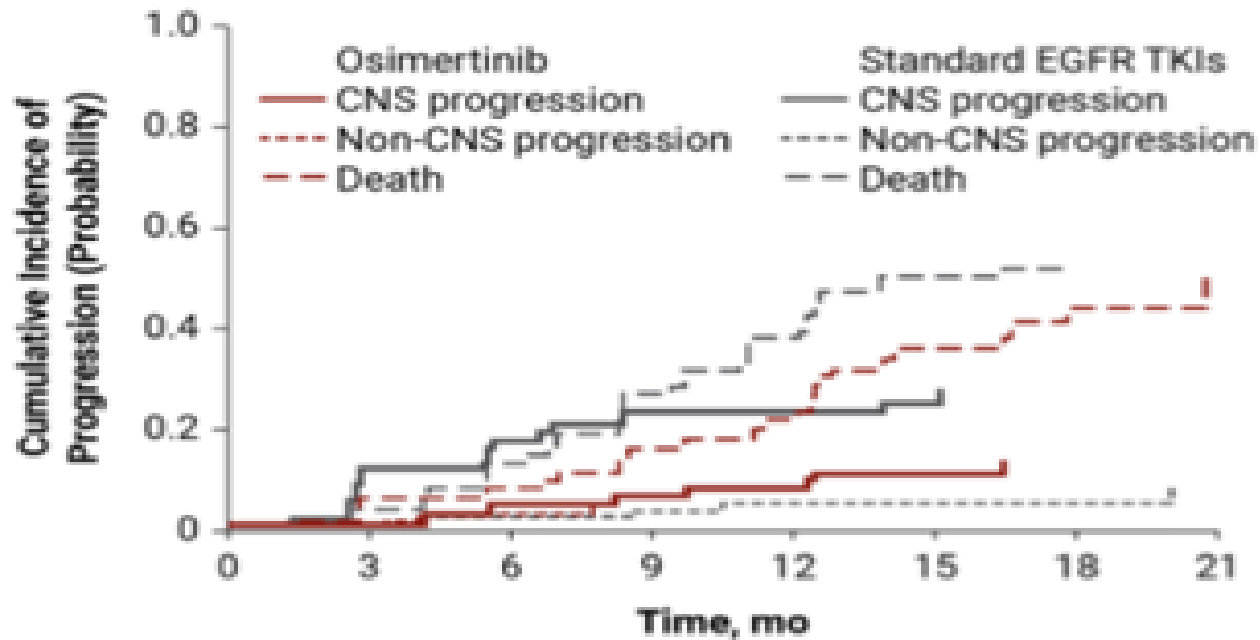
141 deaths in 556 patients at DCO: 25% maturity; osimertinib: 58 deaths (21%), SoC: 83 deaths (30%)

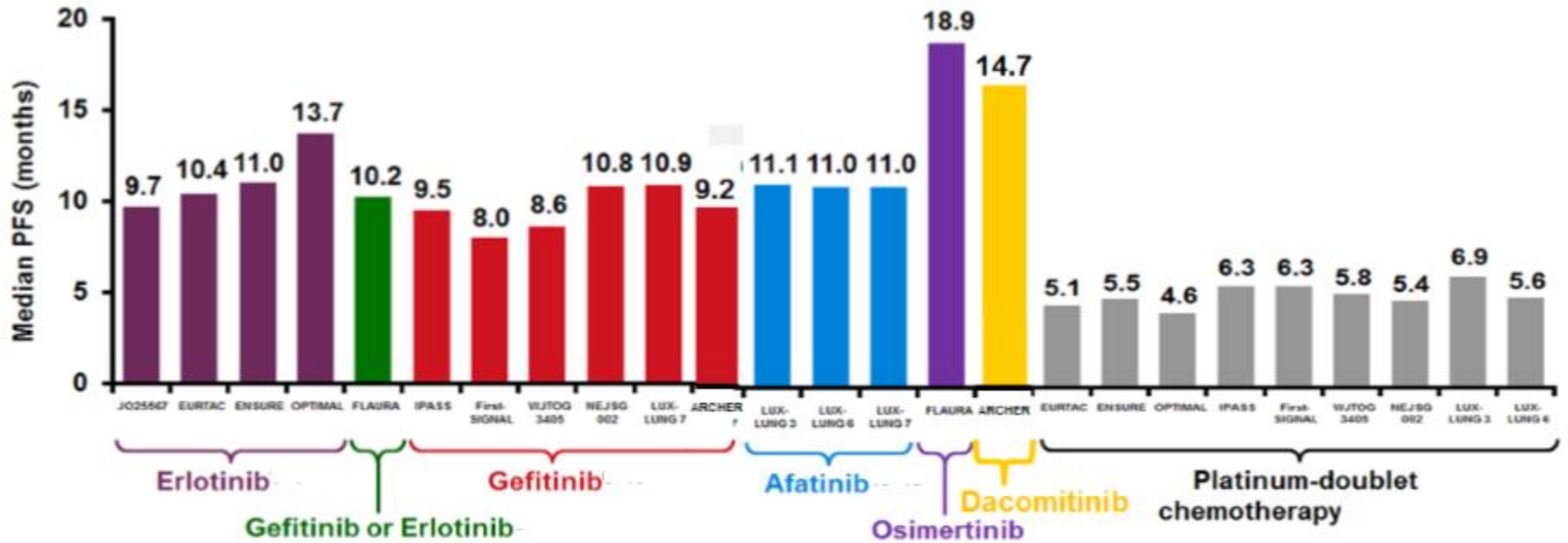


\*A p-value of <0.0015 was required for statistical significance at current maturity

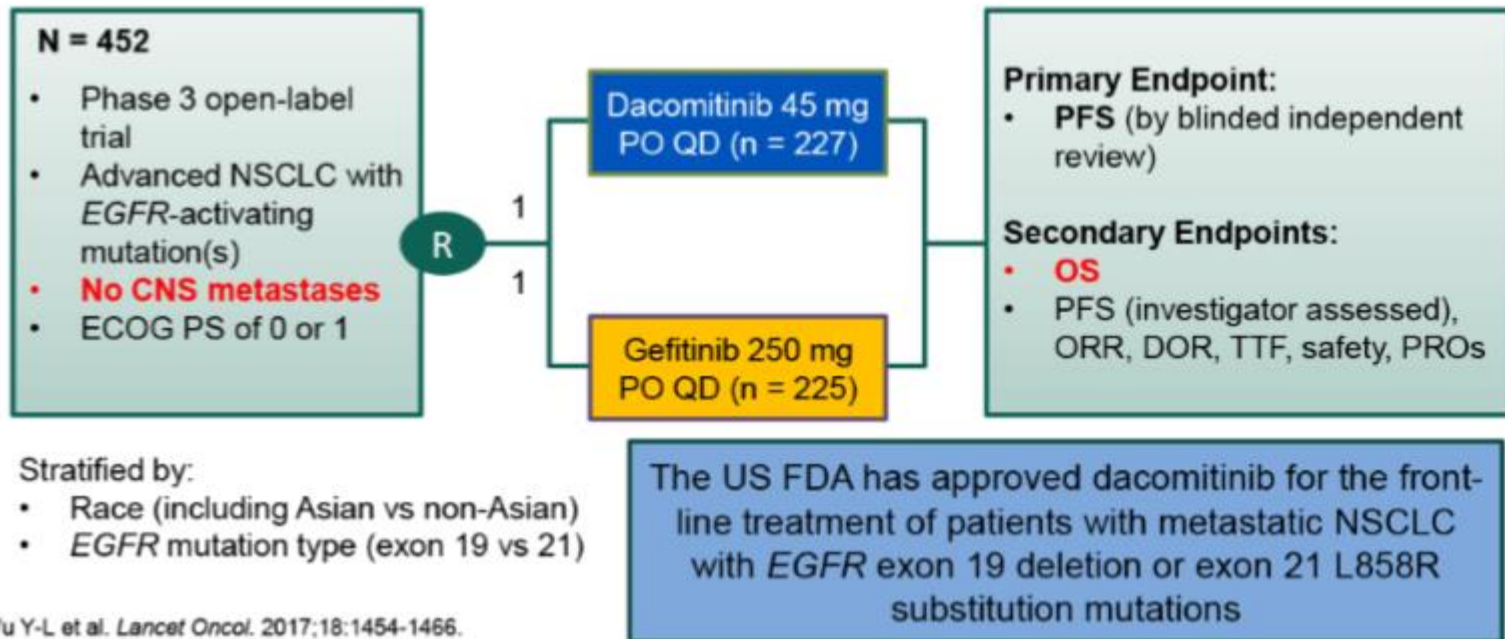
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### CUMULATIVE INCIDENCE OF CNS PROGRESSION WITH OSI VS SOC



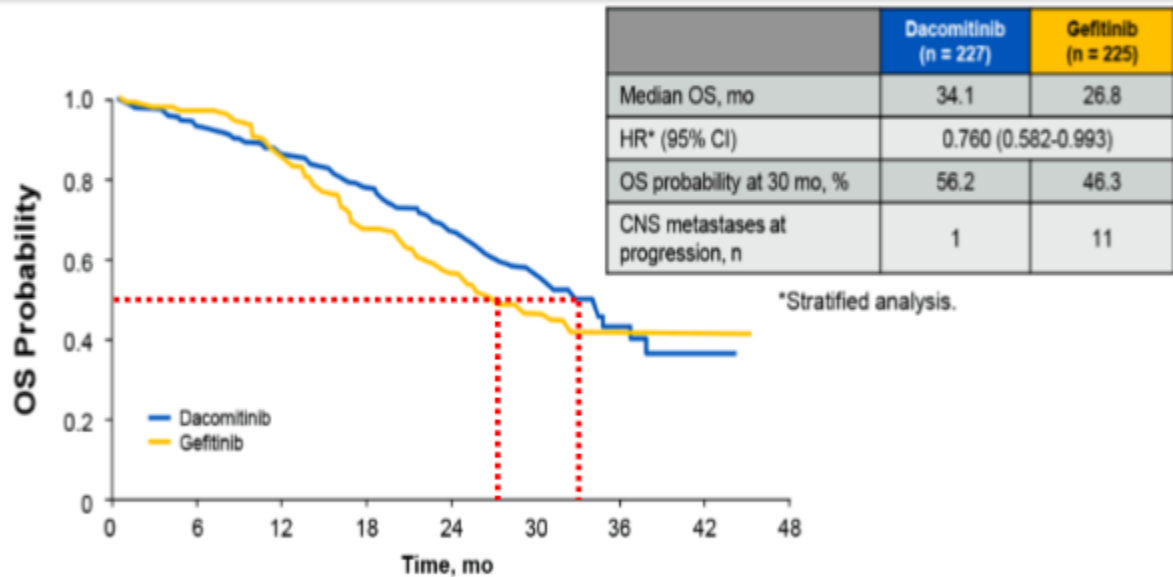
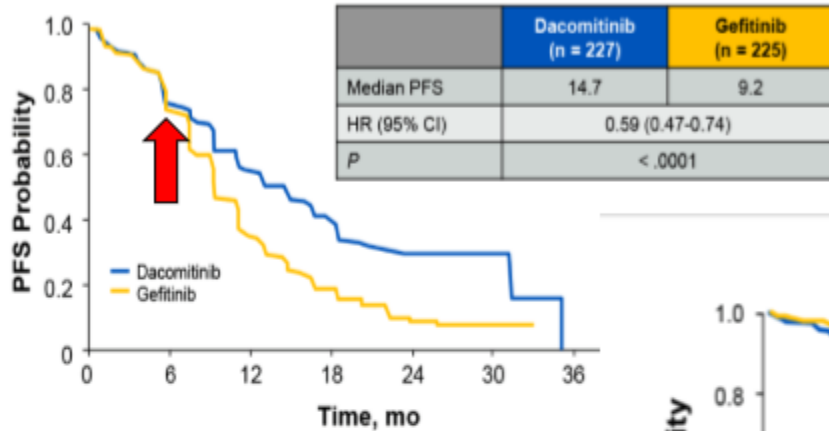


# ARCHER 1050: Study Design



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# ARCHER 1050: survival outcomes (PFS & OS)



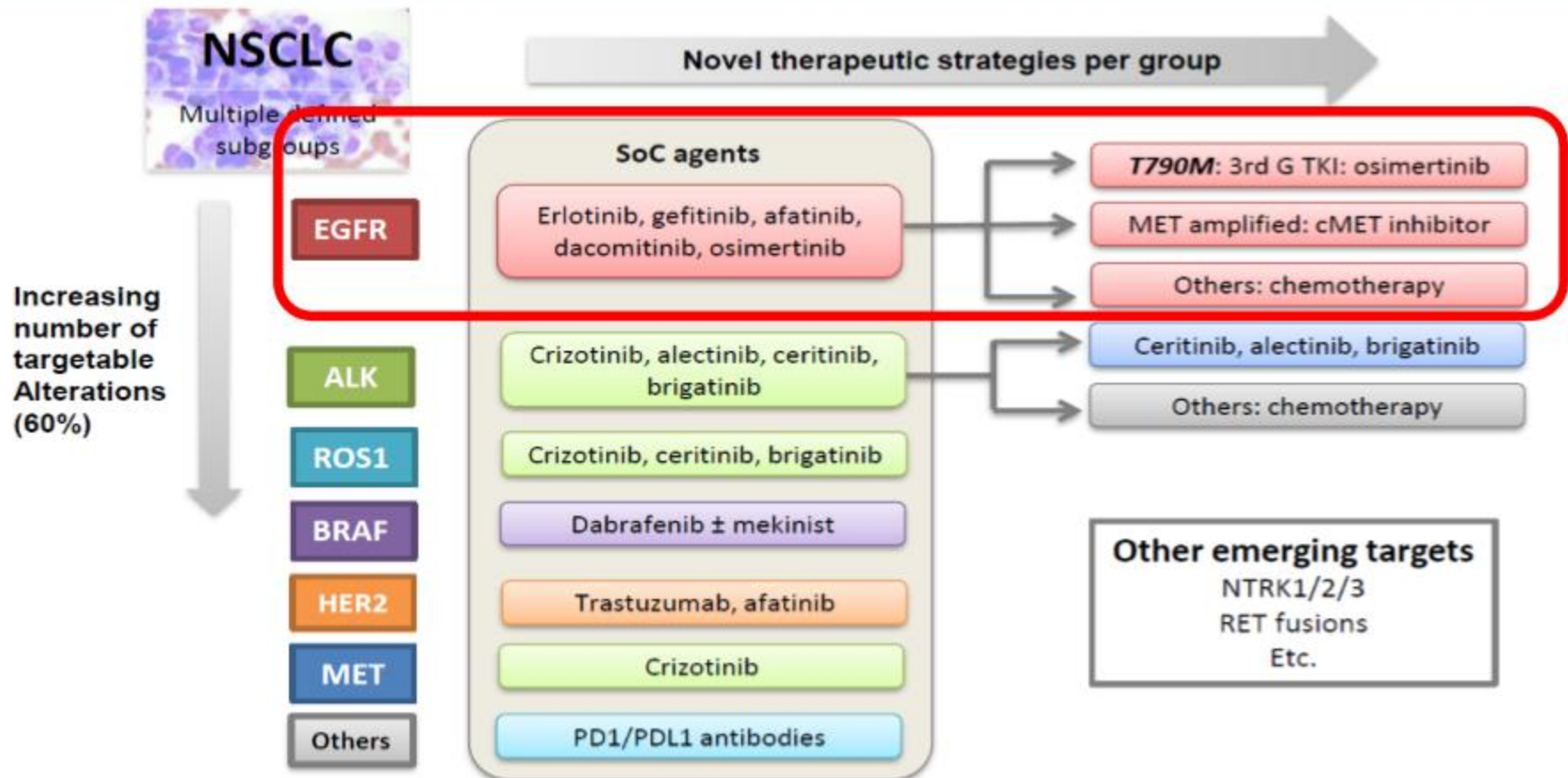
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## Resistance mechanisms to dacomitinib and subsequent therapy on ARCHER 1050





# Oncogenic drivers and target therapies in NSCLC





# Clinical and Pathologic Characteristics

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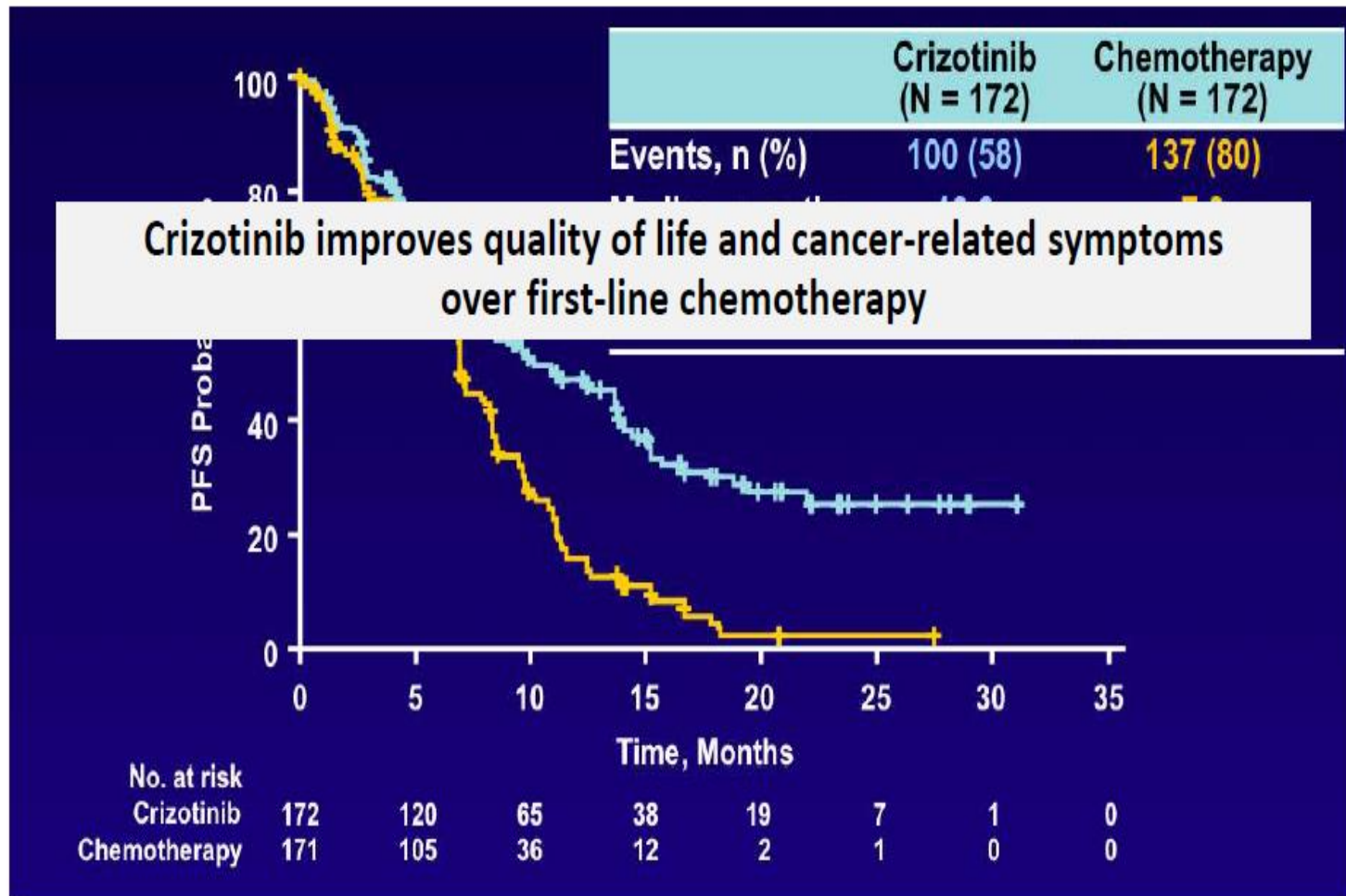
- 2%–5% of NSCLC patients have **ALK gene rearrangements**<sup>[a]</sup>
- Higher prevalence in patients who have the following characteristics<sup>[a]</sup>:
  - ADC histology
  - Never/light smoking history
  - Younger than *ALK*-negative NSCLC patients
- Pleural and pericardial effusion and brain metastases more common<sup>[b]</sup>

a. Scarpino S, et al. *Lung Cancer*. 2016;97:95-98.

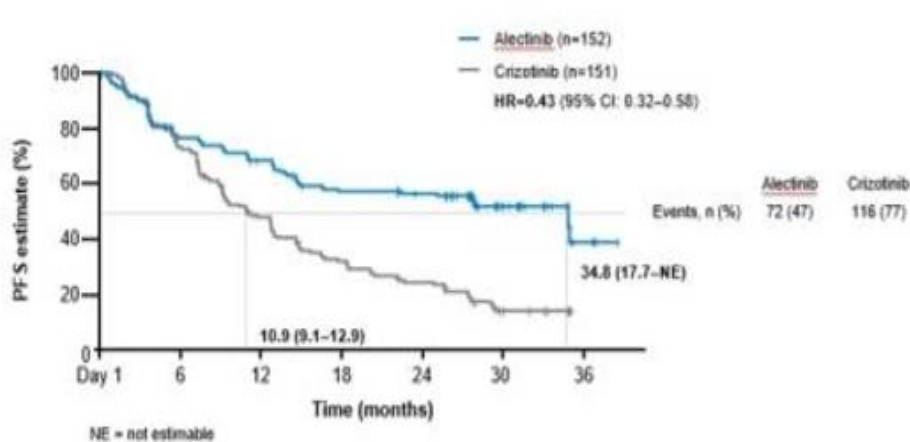
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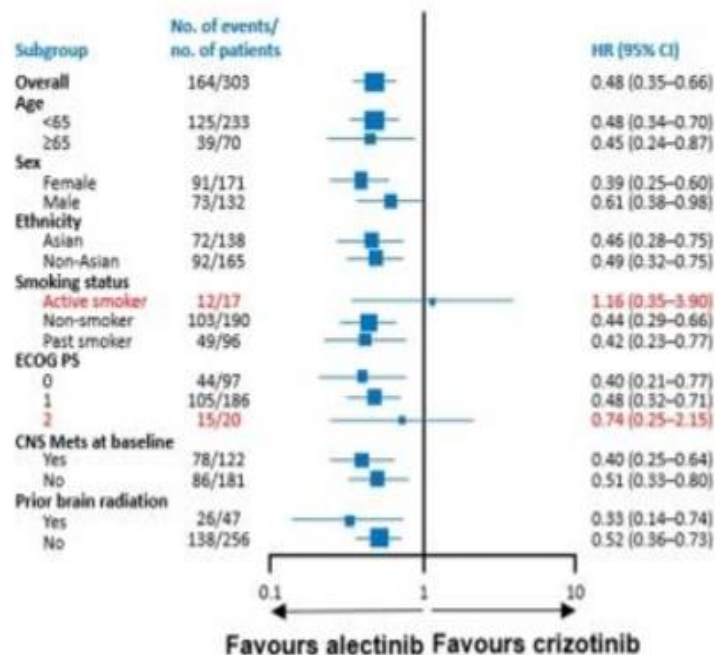
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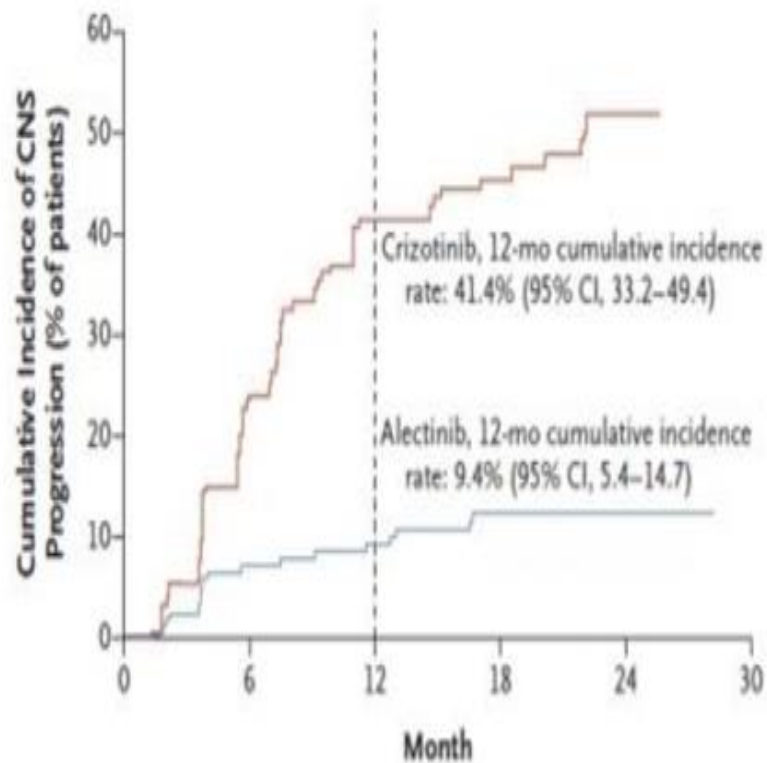
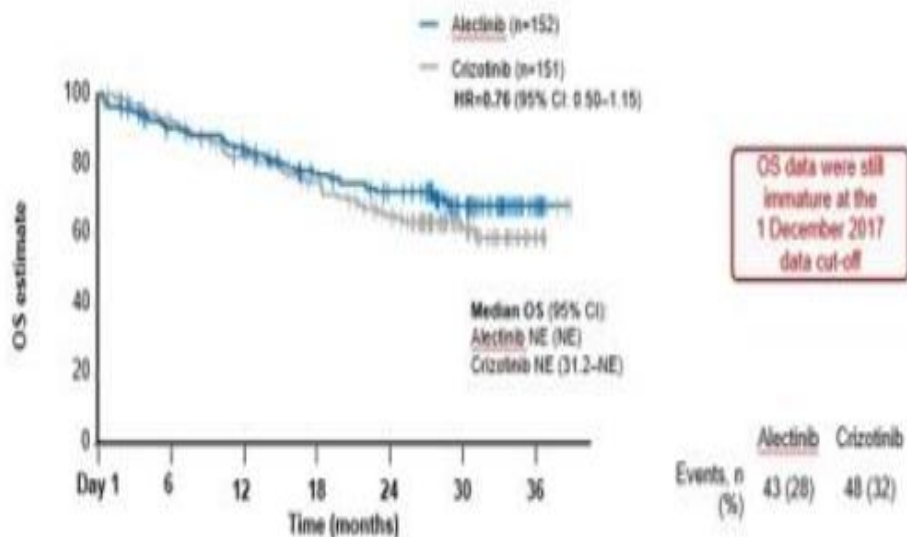
# ALEX: updated investigator-assessed PFS



These updated data demonstrate that investigator-assessed PFS was prolonged with alectinib versus crizotinib (median PFS 34.8 months vs 10.9 months)

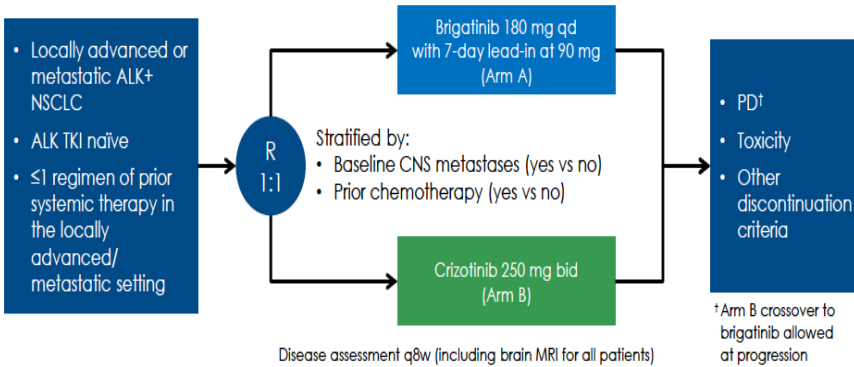


# ALEX: updated OS and brain mets



At the updated data cut-off 91, deaths had occurred in the ITT population; 43 (28%) alectinib arm and 48 (32%) crizotinib arm. The HR for OS was 0.76 (95% CI: 0.50-1.15) and median OS was still not estimable in either arm

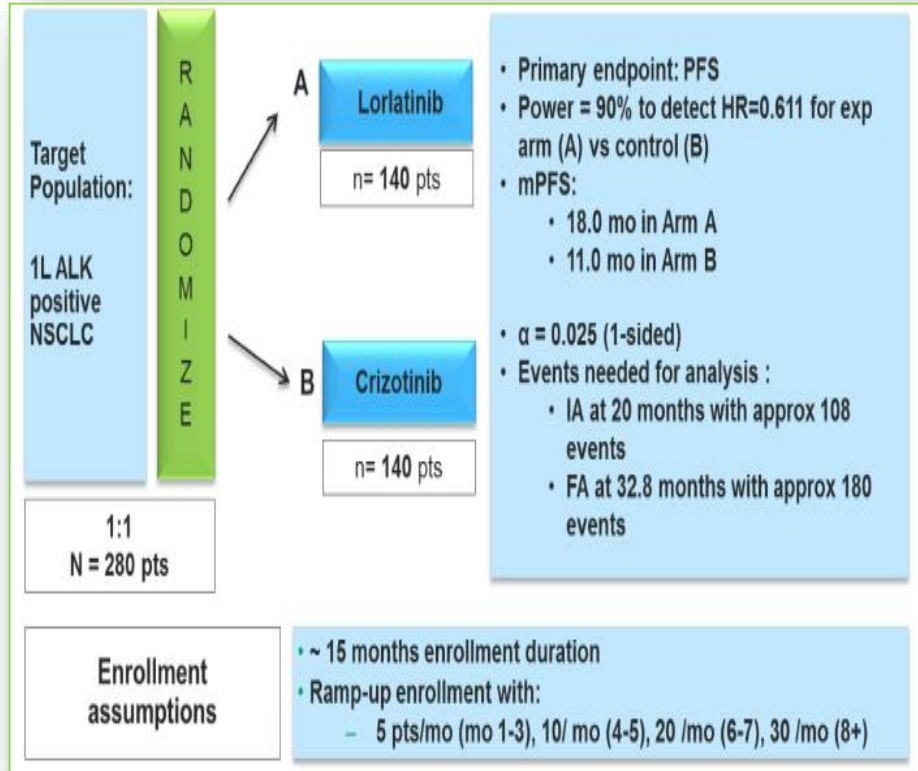
# Head to Head: ongoing and coming soon



**Primary endpoint:** IRC-assessed PFS per RECIST 1.1

**Statistical considerations:**

- ~270 total patients (198 events) will provide 90% power to detect a 6-month improvement in PFS (HR=0.625), assuming 10 months PFS in crizotinib arm
- 2 planned interim analyses at 50% and 75% of total expected events have been observed
- An O'Brien-Fleming Lan-DeMets alpha spending function will be used to control the overall alpha level at 0.05, 2-sided





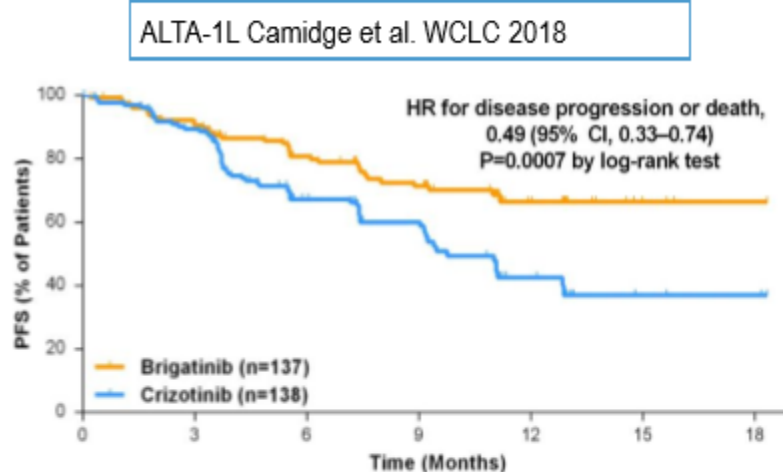
# 1L Treatment of ALK+ NSCLC

**Crizotinib**

**Ceritinib**

**Alectinib\***

\*NCCN Guidelines preferred



**Brigatinib**



**Non fumatore**-> Driver (TT «risarcimento!»)



E per il **fumatore**?  
Immunoterapia  
«consolatoria»?

# American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) 2017 Annual Meeting



## Nivolumab Quadruples 5-Year Survival in NSCLC

WASHINGTON – The longest follow-up to date on patients treated with nivolumab (*Opdivo*, Bristol-Myers Squibb) for advanced non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) shows a **16% 5-year overall survival (OS)** rate, according to new results presented here at the American Association for Cancer Research annual meeting.

The new data come from the phase 1b CA209-003 study, which is the first trial of any programmed death-1 (PD-1) immune checkpoint inhibitor in lung cancer.



## Published Phase III Trials of PD-1/PD-L1 Agents in 2nd-Line NSCLC

Immuno Agent	Trial	Histology	N	Drug Comparison	Primary Endpoint	Outcome
<b>NIVOLUMAB</b>	CHECKMATE 017 <sup>1</sup>	Squamous NSCLC	272 100% 2 <sup>nd</sup> line	vs Docetaxel	OS	Positive HR 0.62 (95% CI, 0.44 to 0.79) p<0.001
	CHECKMATE 057 <sup>2</sup>	Non Squamous NSCLC	582 88% 2 <sup>nd</sup> line	vs Docetaxel	OS	Positive HR 0.73 (96% CI, 0.59 to 0.89) p=0.002
<b>PEMBROLIZUMAB*</b>	KEYNOTE 010 <sup>3</sup>	NSCLC PDL-1 >1%	1034 69% 2 <sup>nd</sup> line	vs Docetaxel	OS	Positive HR 0.71 (95% CI, 0.58-0.88) p=0.0008
<b>ATEZOLIZUMAB</b>  * 2mg/kg	OAK <sup>4</sup>	NSCLC	850 75% 2 <sup>nd</sup> line	vs Docetaxel	OS	Positive HR 0.73 (95% CI 0.62-0.87) p=0.0003

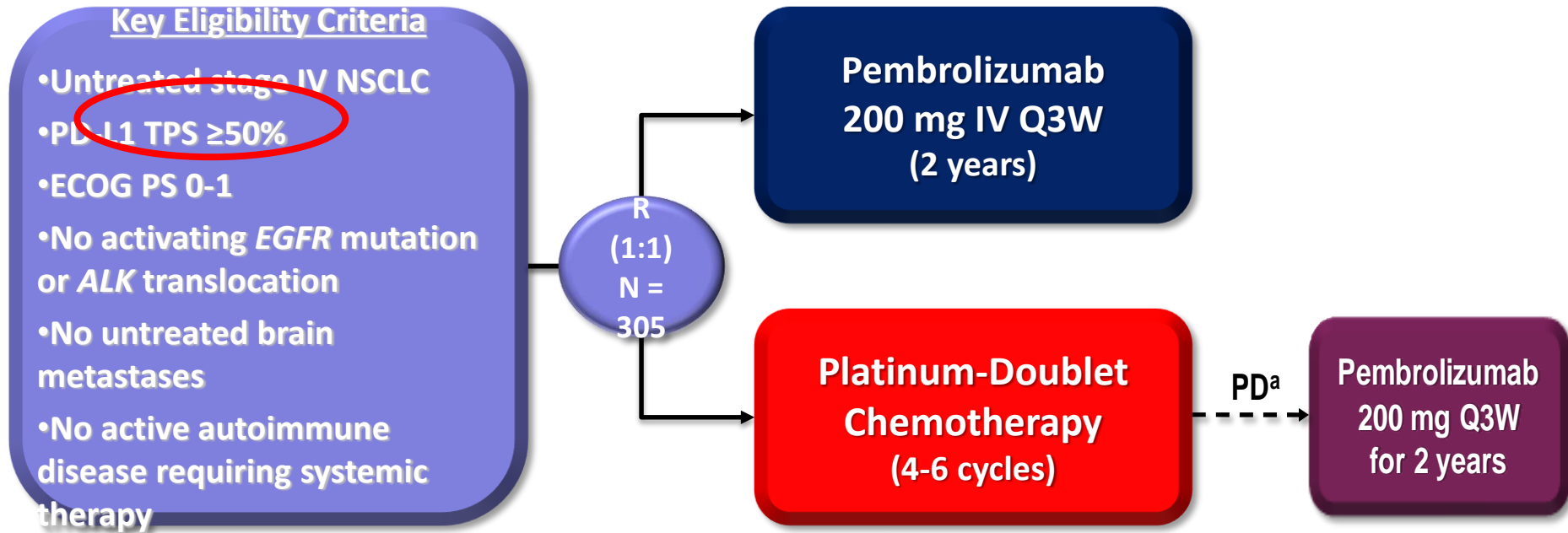
<sup>1</sup> Brahmer et al, NEJM 2015; <sup>2</sup> Borghaei et al, NEJM 2015; <sup>3</sup> Herbst et al, Lancet 2016; <sup>4</sup> Rytting et al, Lancet 2017



# Earthquake in Lung Cancer: Immunotherapy First-Line

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# KEYNOTE 024 study design



## Key End Points

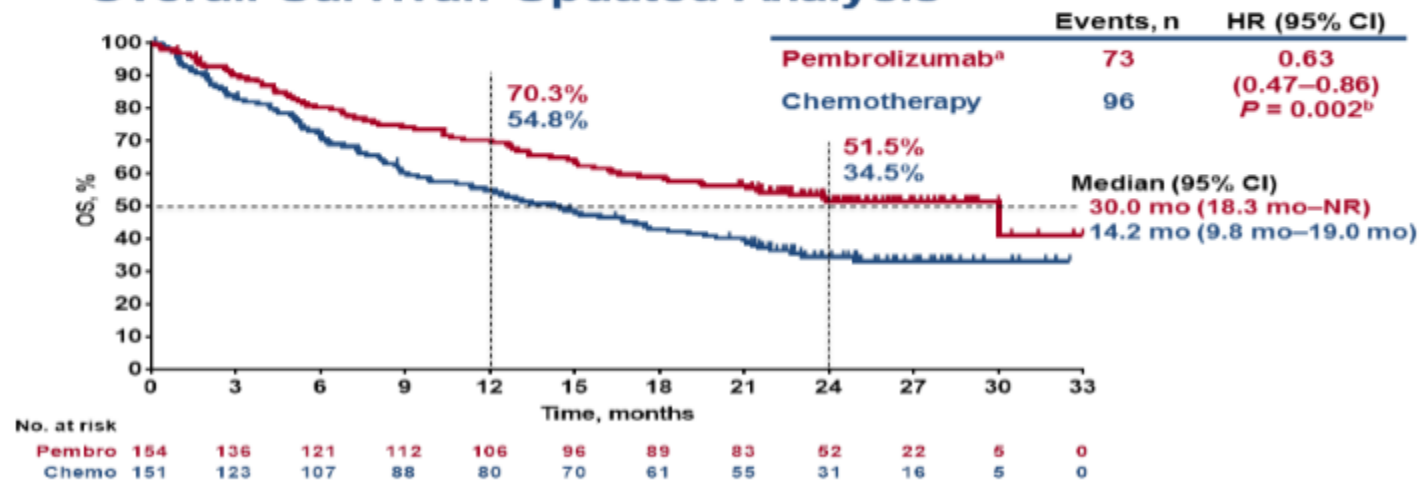
**Primary: PFS (RECIST v1.1 per blinded, independent central review)**

**Secondary: OS, ORR, safety**

**Exploratory: DOR**

<sup>a</sup>To be eligible for crossover, progressive disease (PD) had to be confirmed by blinded, independent central radiology review and all safety criteria had to be met.

## Overall Survival: Updated Analysis



<sup>a</sup>Effective crossover rate from chemotherapy to anti-PD-L1 therapy, 62.3% (82 patients crossed over to pembrolizumab during the study and 12 received anti-PD-L1 therapy outside of crossover). <sup>b</sup>Nominal P value. NR, not reached. Data cutoff: July 10, 2017.



Immunotherapy

Chemotherapy





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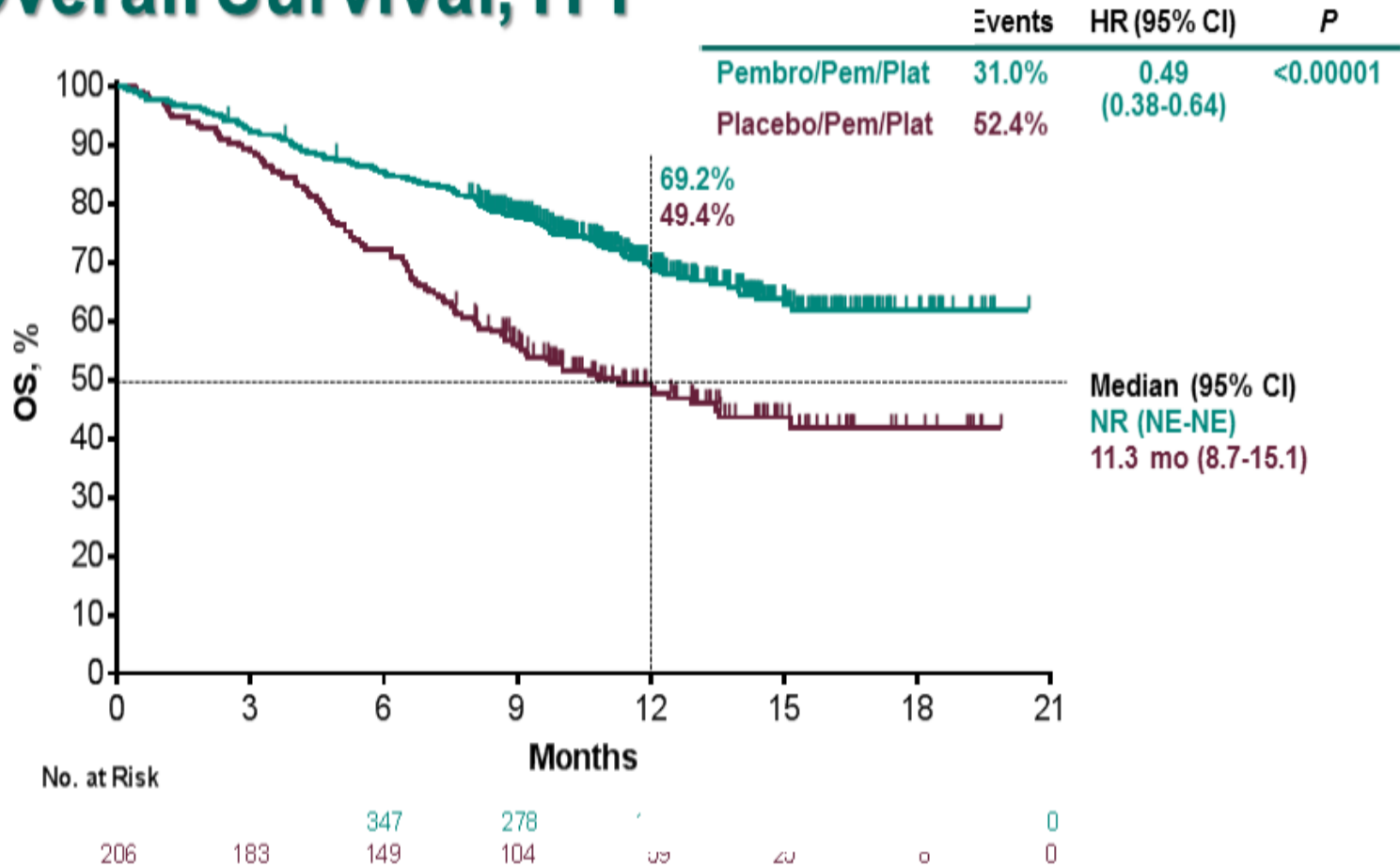
## Pembrolizumab plus Chemotherapy in Metastatic Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer

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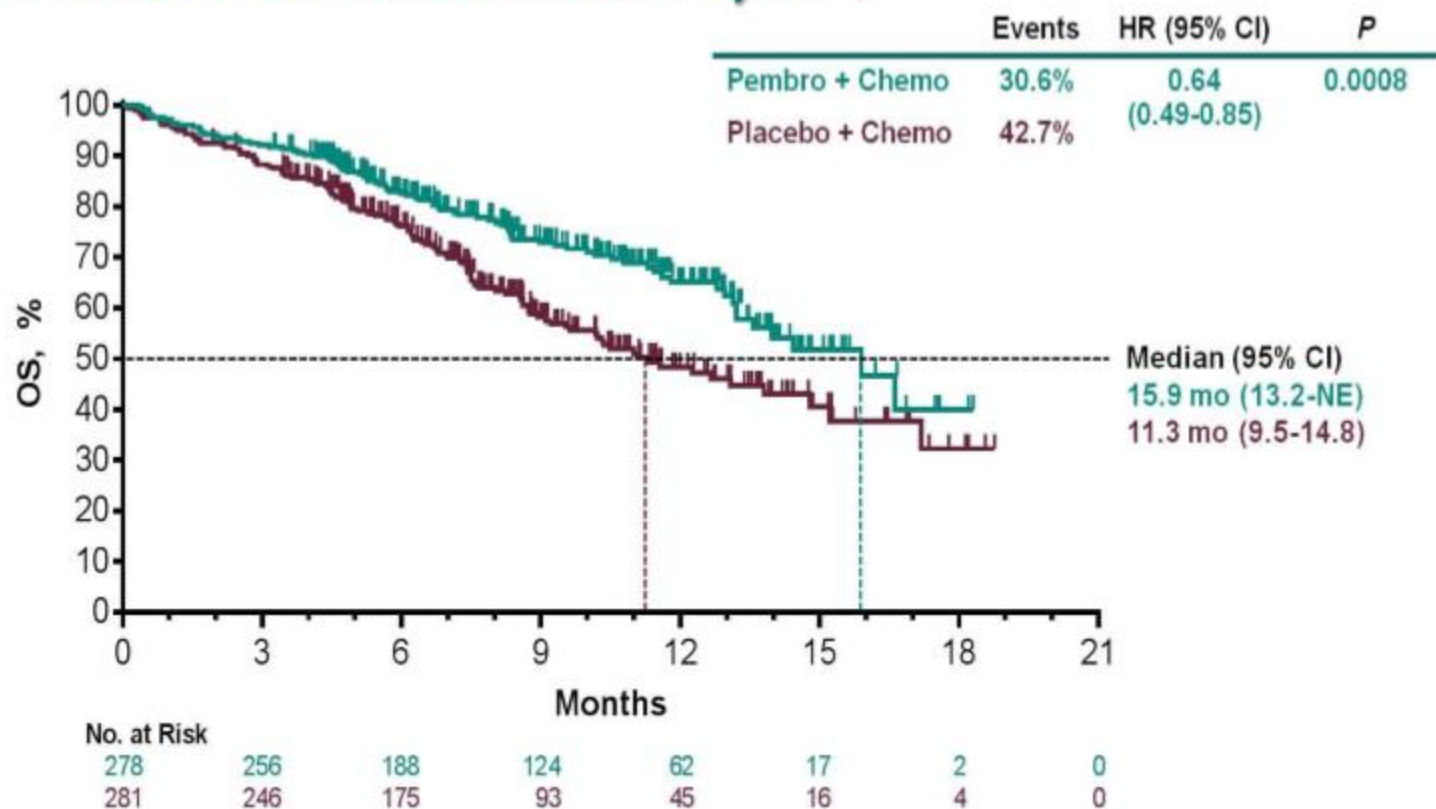
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## Overall Survival, ITT



# Chemo + Pembrolizumab in **SCC NSCLC** KeyNote 407 Trial

## Overall Survival at IA2, ITT



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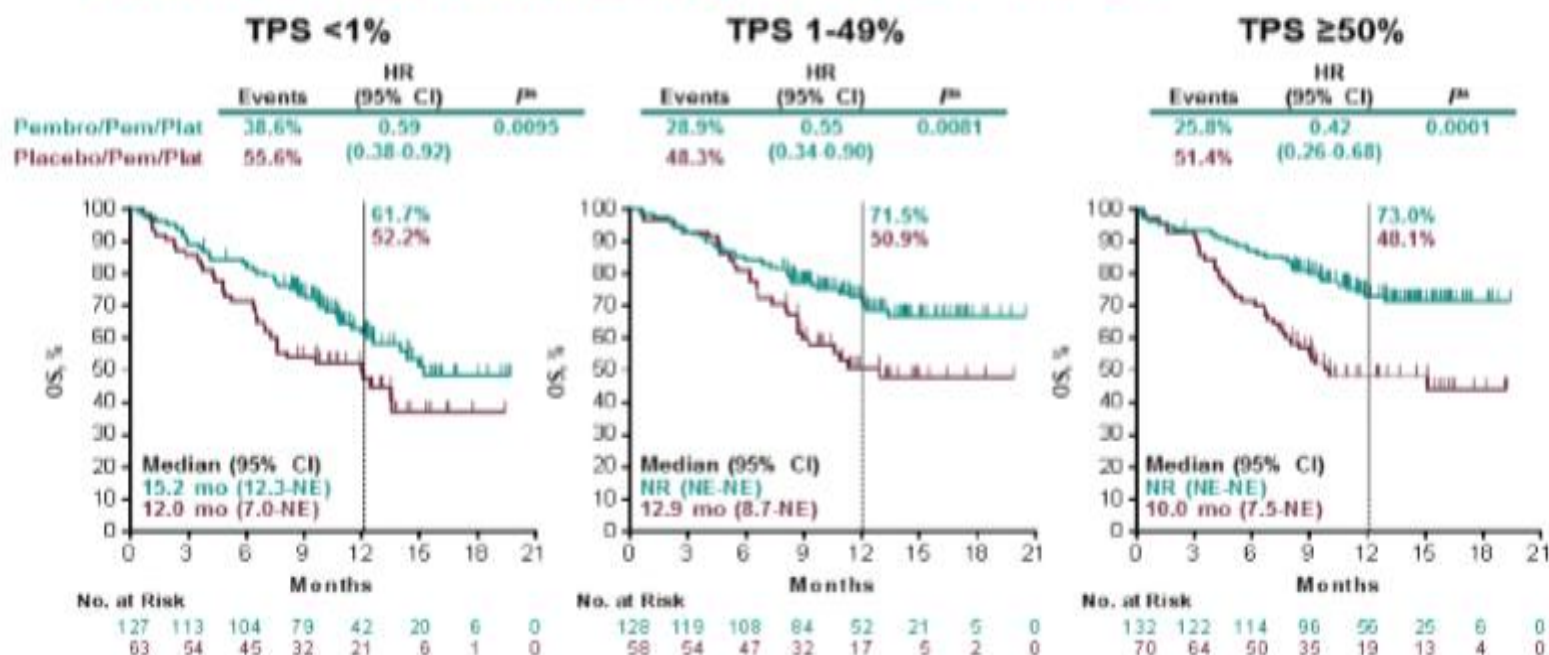
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## KeyNote 189 Trial

### Benefit according to PD-L1 expression

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### Overall Survival by PD-L1 TPS

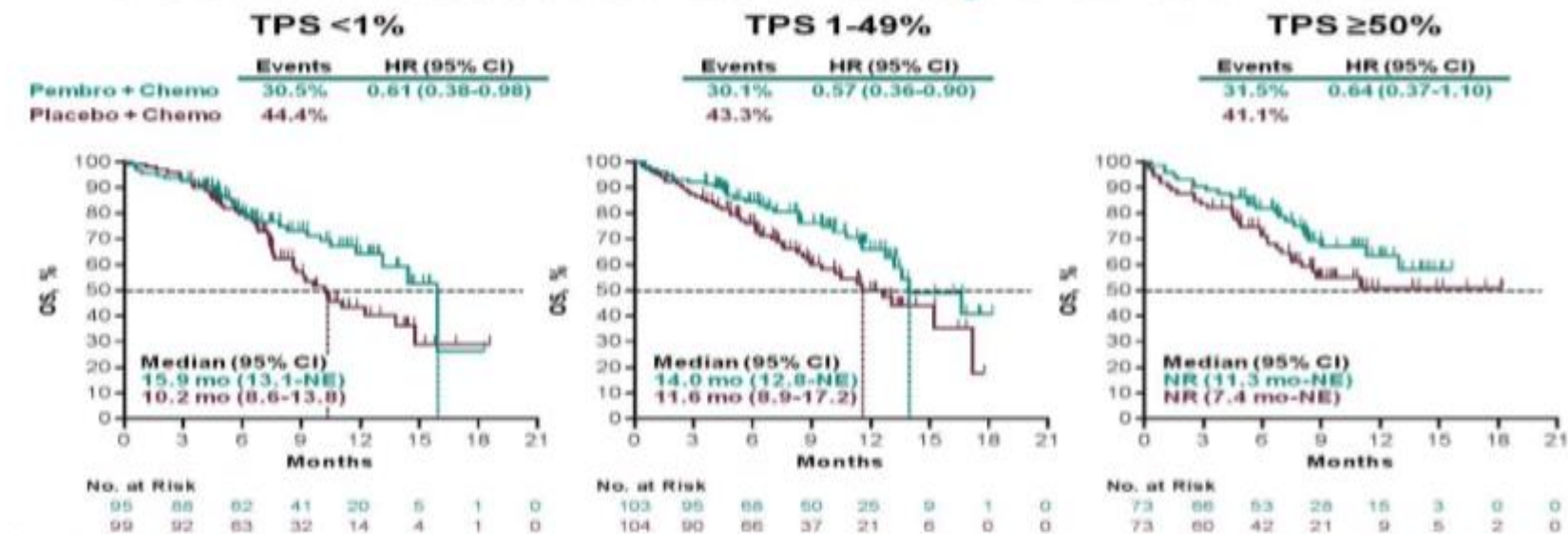


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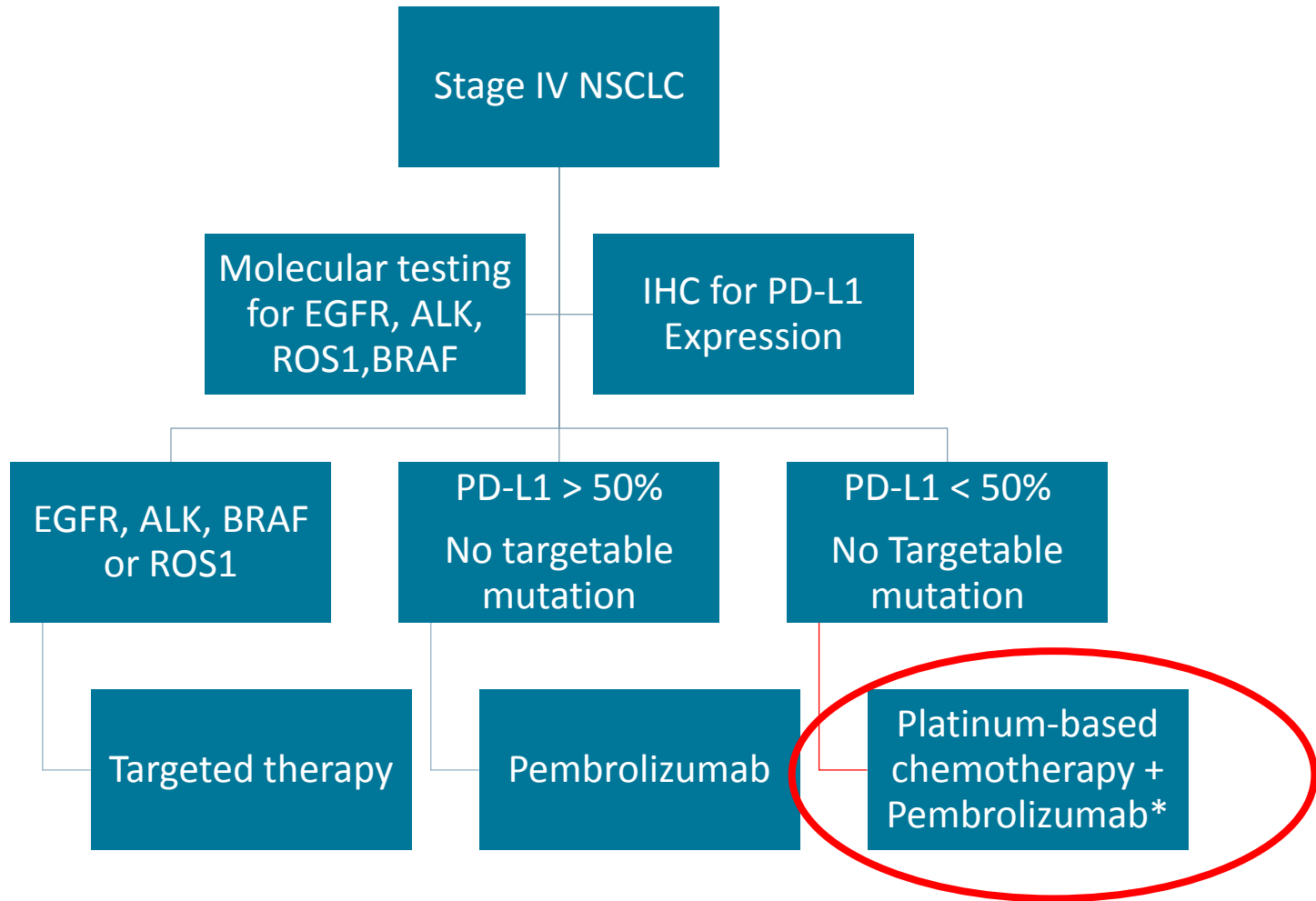
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### Overall Survival at IA2 by PD-L1 TPS



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# Present Treatment Algorithm for Stage 4 NSCLC



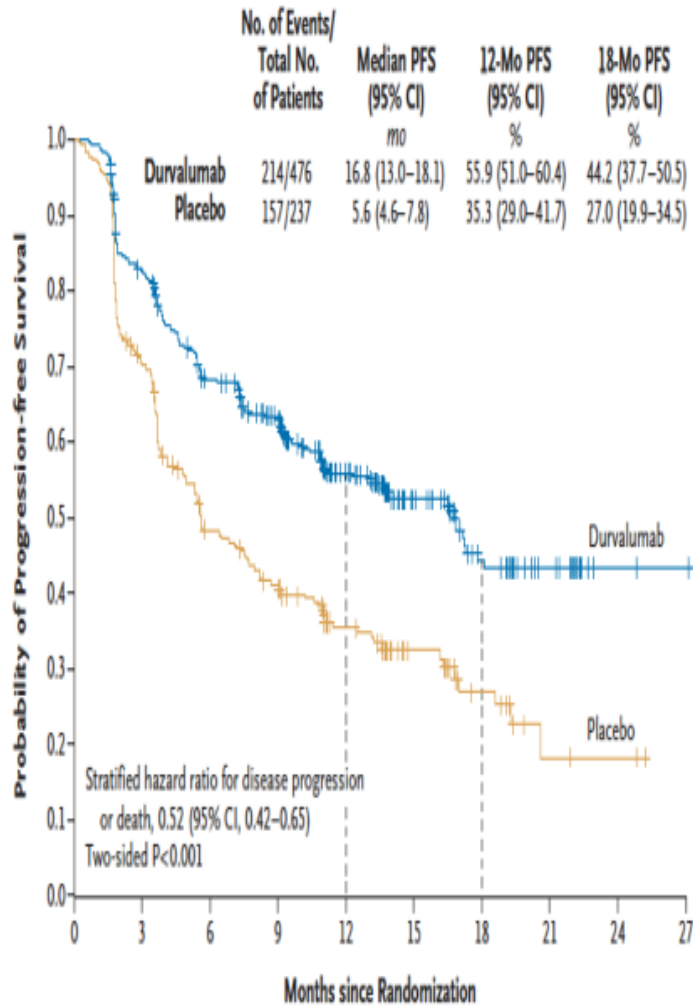
# TSUNAMI IN LUNG CANCER: Immunotherapy

## stage III

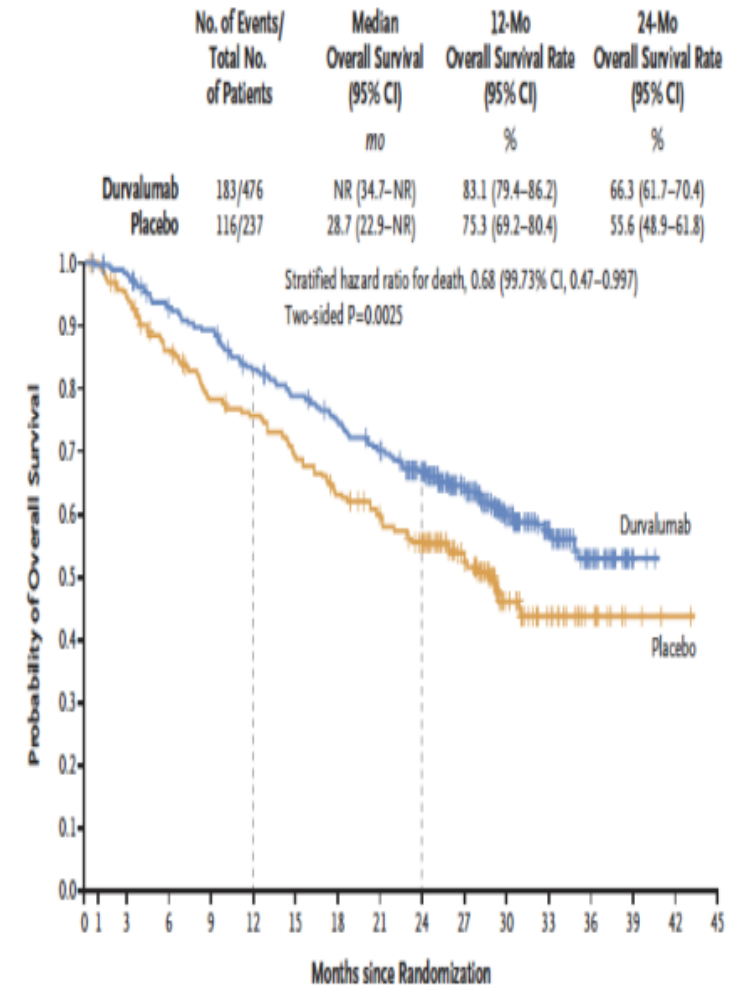


# Stage III: PACIFIC TRIAL

## PFS and OS



No. at Risk		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
Durvalumab	476	377	301	264	159	86	44	21	4	1	
Placebo	237	163	106	87	52	28	15	4	3	0	



No. at Risk		0	1	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45
Durvalumab	476	464	431	415	385	364	343	319	274	210	115	57	23	2	0	0		
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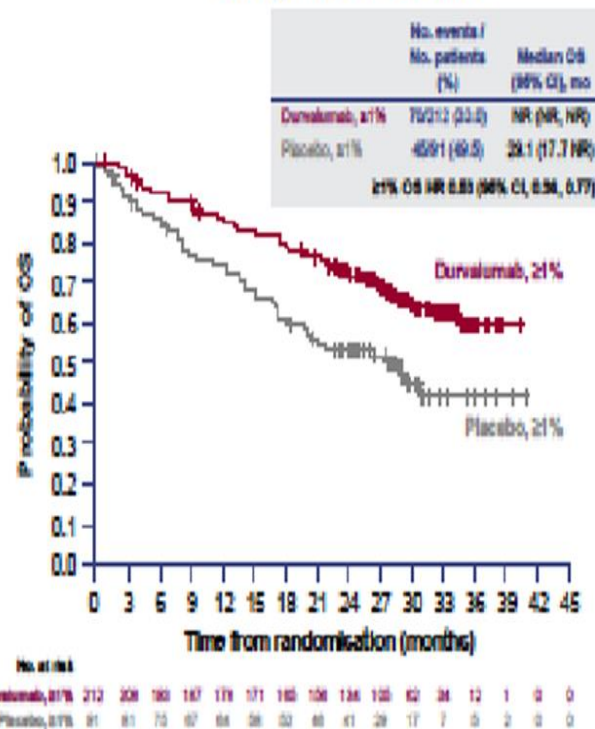


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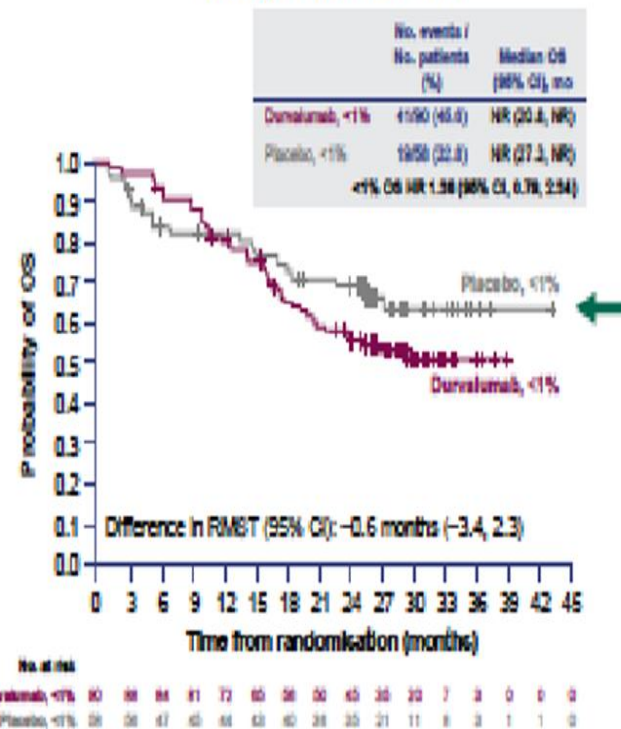
## OS by PD-L1

### OS by PD-L1 TC $\geq 1\%$ and $<1\%$

OS by PD-L1 TC  $\geq 1\%$



OS by PD-L1 TC  $<1\%$



- In the PD-L1 TC  $<1\%$  subgroup, the number of events are low and overall the subgroup is small
- Imbalances in baseline characteristics



# How Do We Decide Which Therapy Is Right For The Patient?

**Biomarkers – Tumor – Tumor mutation burden (TMB), neoantigen, TAA, PD-L1, TIL, microenvironment**

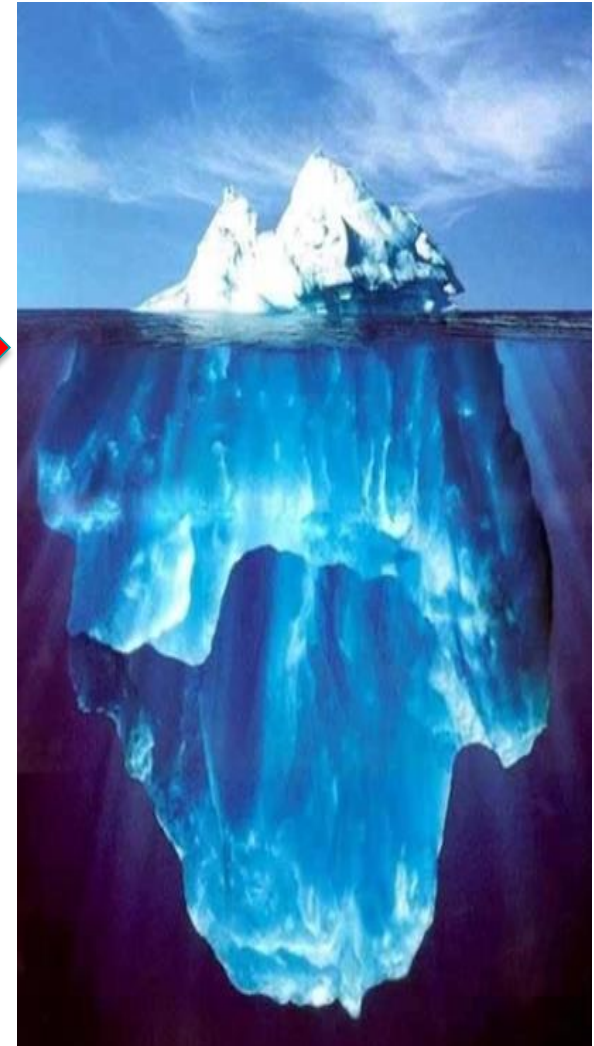
- PD-L1, TIL, ... problem

**We are just scratching the surface**

**Biomarkers – Blood – CD138 (TMB), soluble cytokines**

**Microbiome – Gut**

**Don't Give UP!!!!!!**





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SPECIAL  
INVESTIGATION

# WHY YOUR DRUGS COST SO MUCH

- WHO'S TO BLAME
- WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT

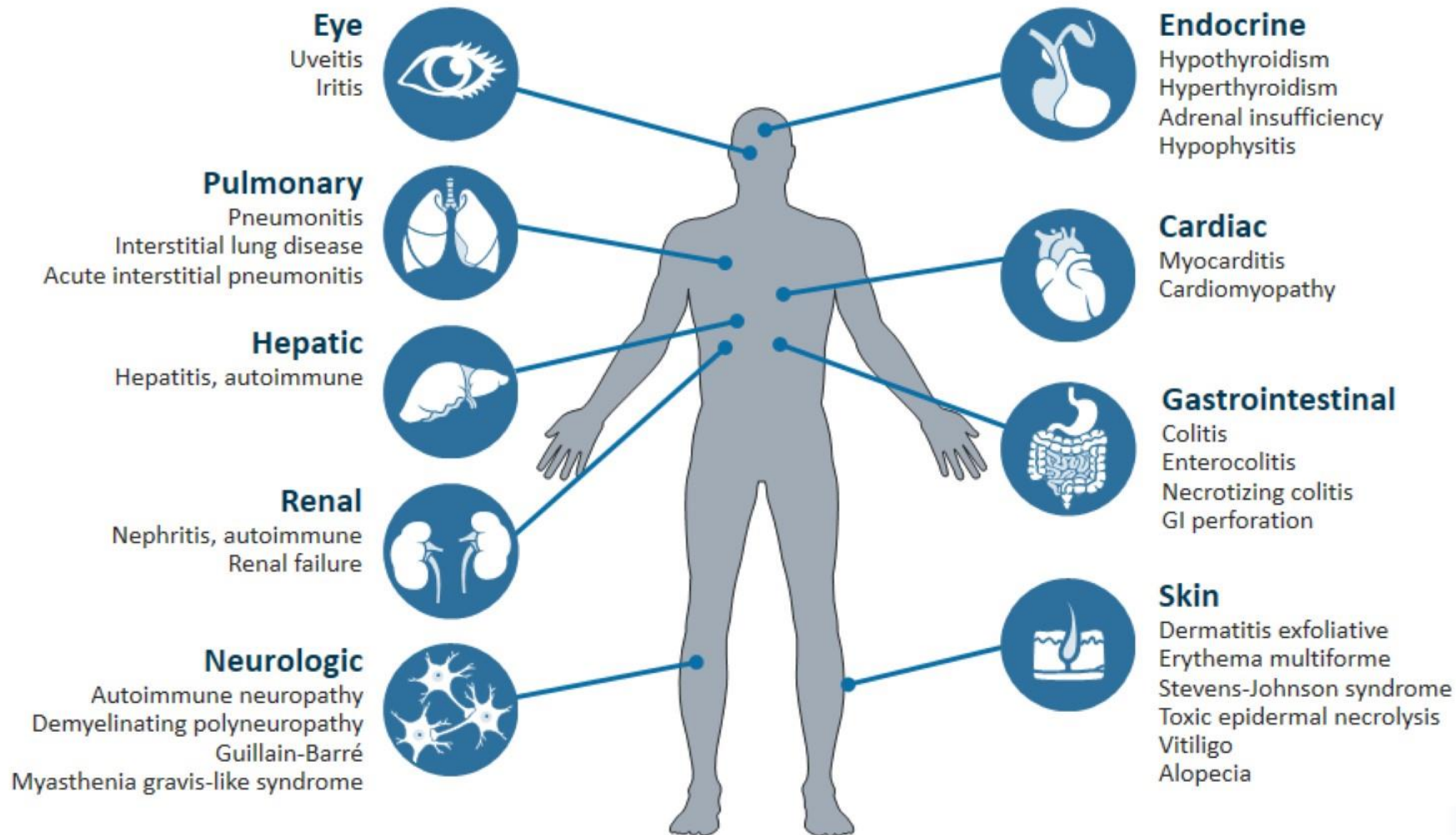
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What Makes a  
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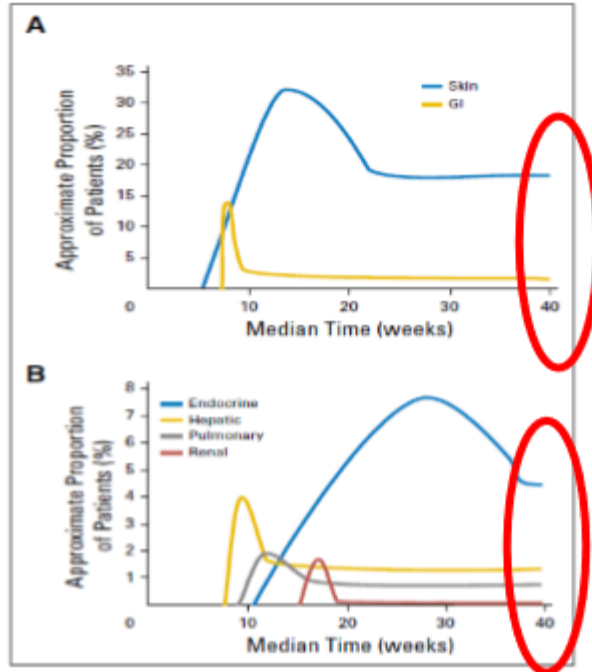
# Safety of Checkpoint Inhibitors

## Immunotherapy Is Associated With Immune-Mediated AEs

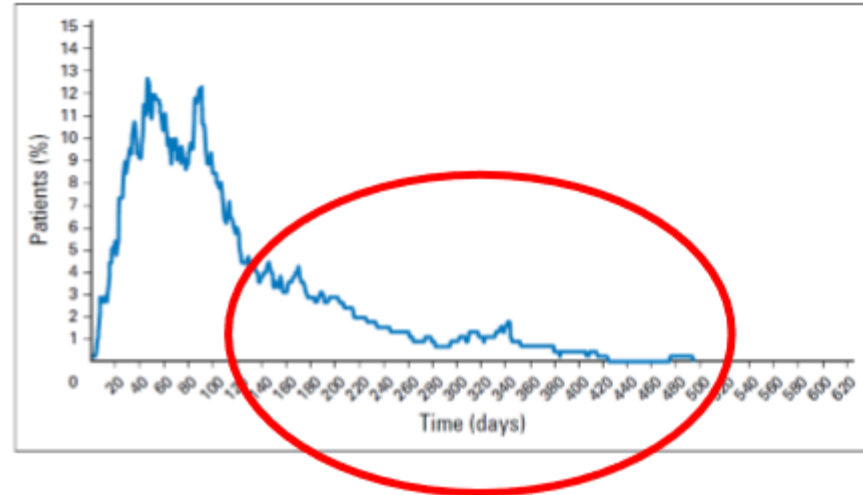


# Adverse Events following immune checkpoint blockade are NOT restricted to the first 3 months after onset

TR-AEs of any grade over time  
in melanoma pts treated by anti-PDx alone



Grade 3/4 TR-AEs over time  
in melanoma pts treated by anti-PDx + anti-CTLA4



Weber, J Clin Oncol 2017  
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## Science That Matters

- A lot needs to be done to
  - Define new targets
  - Better select patients
  - Convert responses to cures
- This will only happen through better science!

