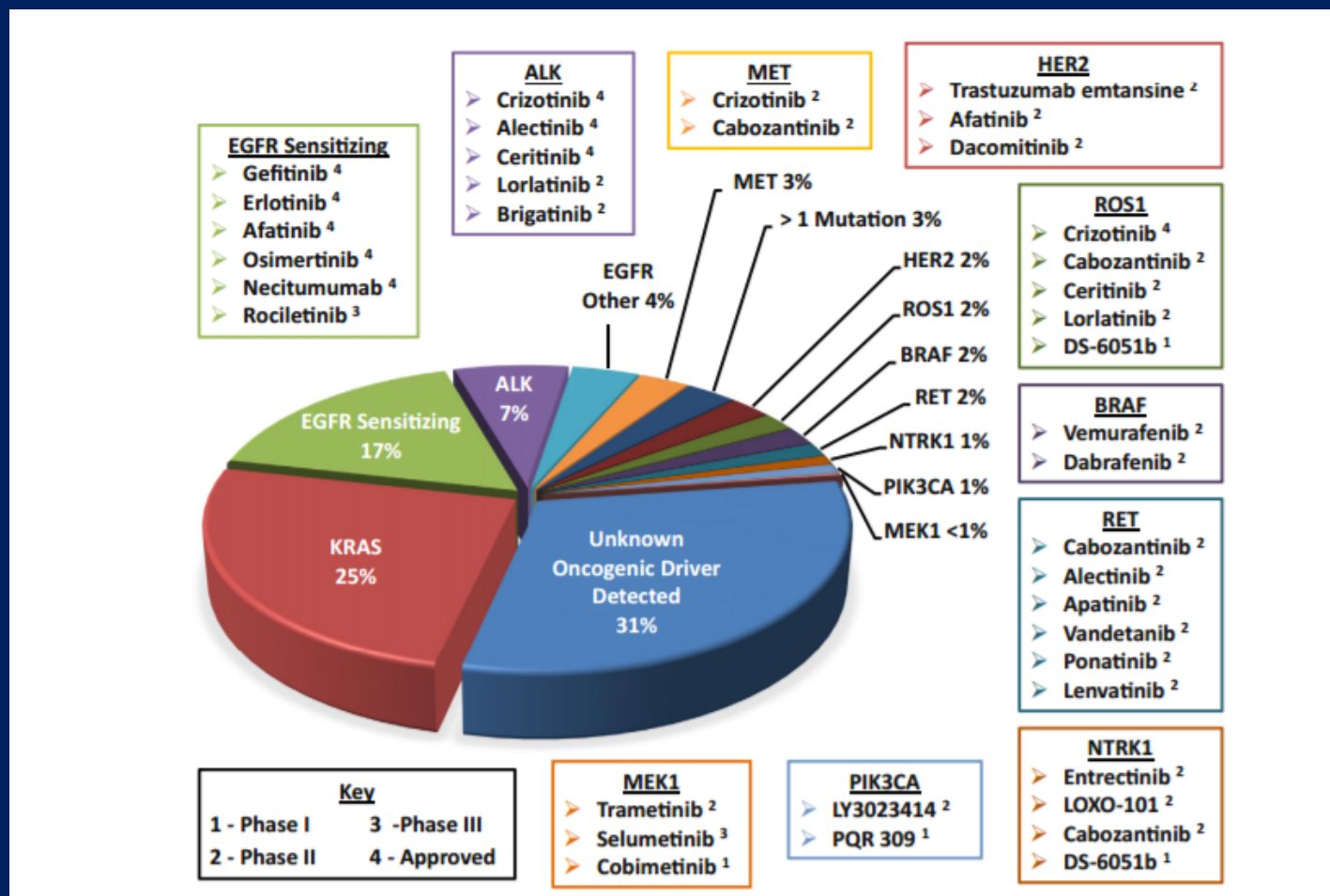


# Targeted therapies for patients with uncommon molecular alterations

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# Emerging targets and targeted therapies



# Topics

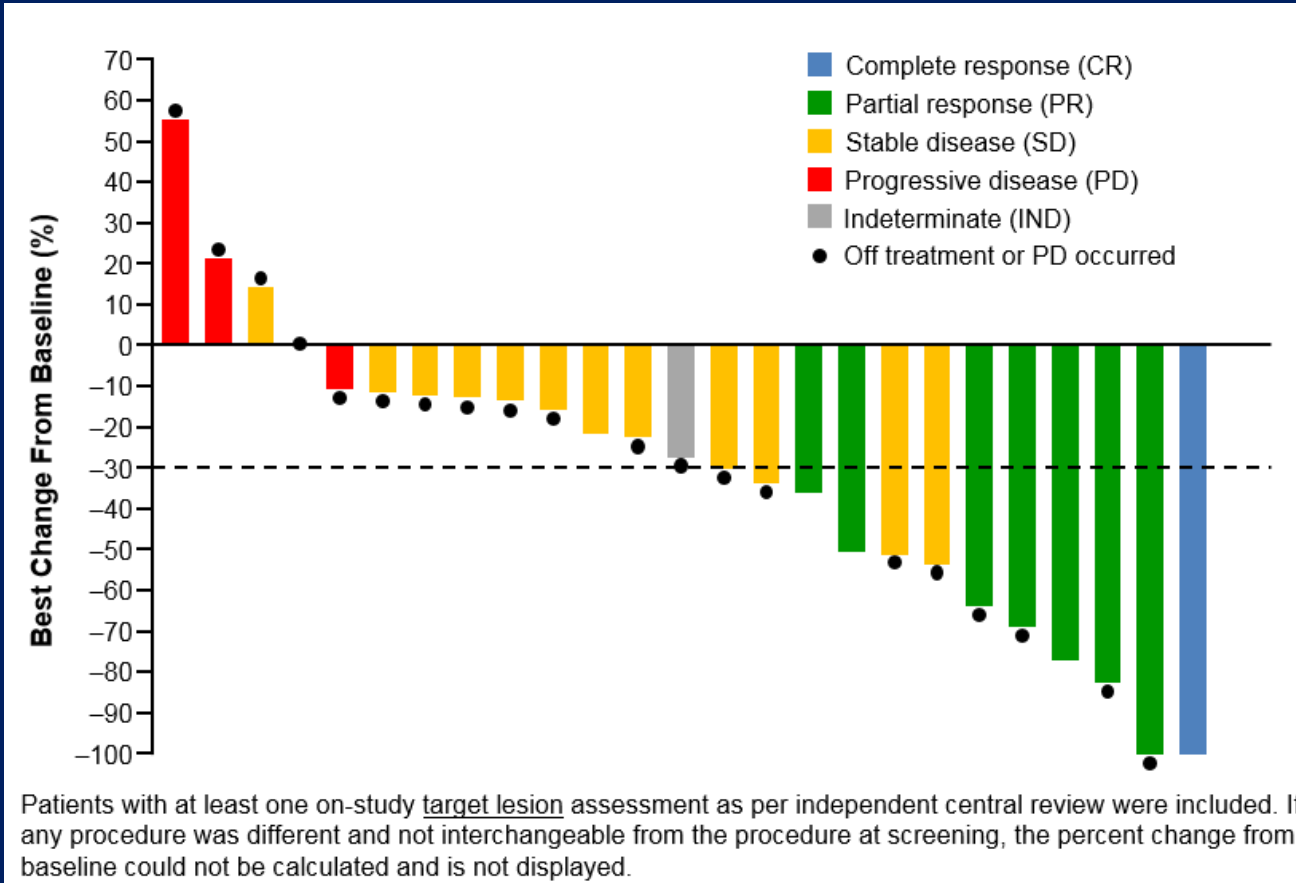
- *ROS1*: beyond crizotinib
- *BRAF* V600E and non-V600E
- *MET* exon 14 alterations and *MET* amplification
- *HER2* mutations
- *RET* rearrangements
- *NTRK* fusions

# Efficacy of Entrectinib in *ROS1+* NSCLC

Best Response by BICR, n (%)	Total (N=53)
Objective Response Rate (BICR-ORR)	77.4%
Intracranial BICR-ORR (patients with measurable disease, n=20)	55.0%
Median Duration of Response (BICR-mDOR)	24.6 months
Median Progression-Free Survival (BICR-mPFS)	
Without CNS disease (n=30)	26.3 months
With CNS disease (n=23)	13.6 months

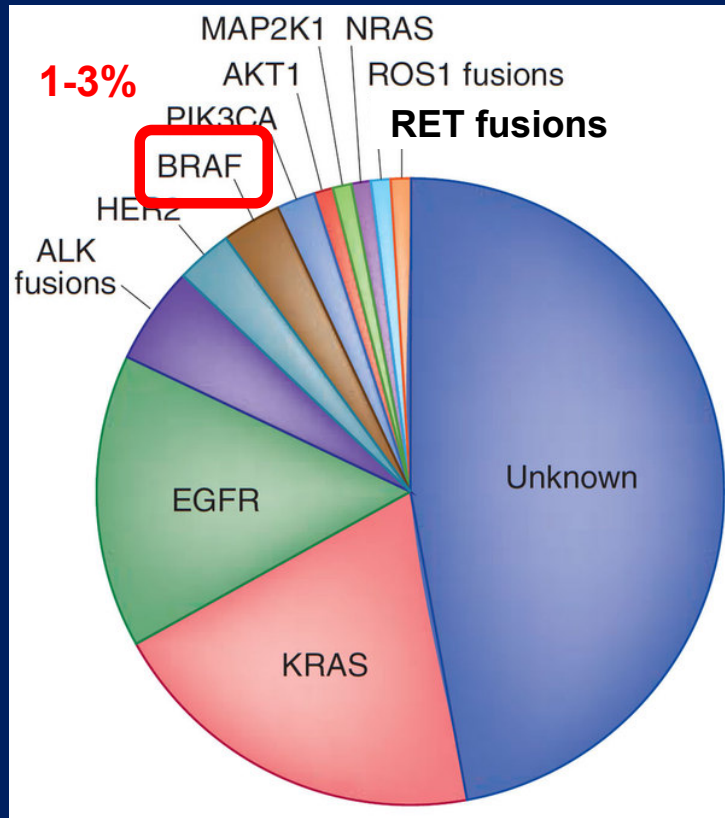
Doebele et al WCLC 2018

# Lorlatinib in *ROS1* + NSCLC



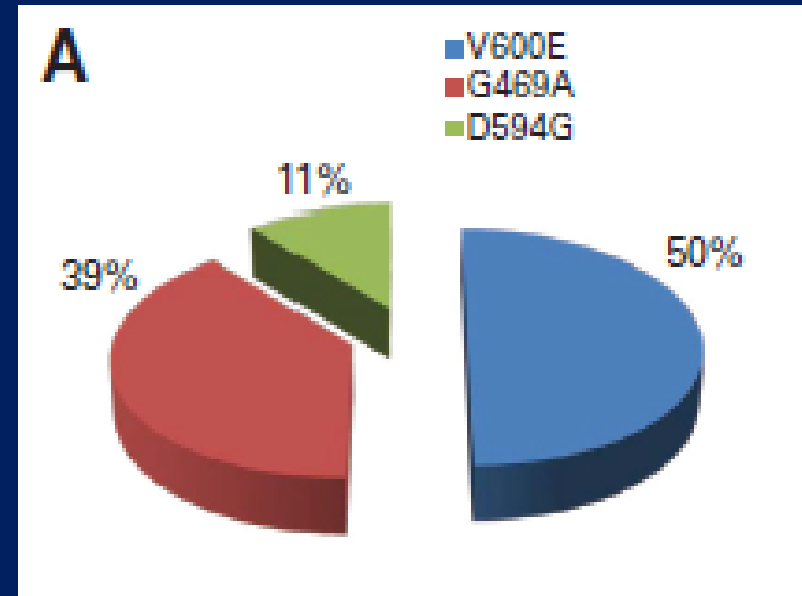
TRAEs in $\geq 10\%$ of Patients, n (%)	Total (N=47)	Grade 3	Grade 4
Hypercholesterolemia*	39 (83.0)	4 (8.5)	0
Hypertriglyceridemia*	28 (59.6)	9 (19.1)	0
Edema*	21 (44.7)	1 (2.1)	0
Peripheral neuropathy*	16 (34.0)	1 (2.1)	0
Cognitive effects*	11 (23.4)	0	0
Weight increased	10 (21.3)	3 (6.4)	0
Dizziness	7 (14.9)	2 (4.3)	0
Mood effects*	6 (12.8)	0	0
Lipase increased	6 (12.8)	3 (6.4)	0
Fatigue*	5 (10.6)	1 (2.1)	0
ALT increased	5 (10.6)	0	0
Arthralgia	5 (10.6)	0	0
Thrombocytopenia	5 (10.6)	0	1 (2.1)

# BRAF mutation in NSCLC



Relative distribution of 'driver' mutations in lung adenocarcinoma

Pao and Hutchinson 2012



Relative distribution of BRAF mutations in NSCLC.

Paik P et al JCO 2011

# BRAF V600E-directed therapy

Agent	ORR	Median DOR (months)	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)
Dabrafenib (n=78)	33%	9.6	5.5	12.7
Vemurafenib (n=14)	43%	Not available	Not available	Not available
Vemurafenib (n=19)	42%		7.3	NR
Dabrafenib/Trametinib (n=59)	63.2%	9.0	9.7	NR
Dabrafenib/Trametinib (n=36)	64%	10.4	10.2	24.6 months

Planchard et al Lancet Oncology May 2016, Planchard et al Lancet Oncology July 2016, Planchard et al Lancet Oncology 2017, Hainsworth JCO 2018, Hyman et al NEJM 2015

# Dabrafenib alone and with trametinib in *BRAF* V600E NSCLC: Adverse events

Treatment	Grade 3 AE's ≥ 5%	Treatment delivery
Dabrafenib	Squamous cell carcinoma (12%) Asthenia (5%) basal cell carcinoma (5%),	6% discontinued due AE 43% required dose interruption 18% required dose reduction
Dabrafenib/trametinib (previously treated)	Neutropenia (9%) Hyyponatremia (7%) Anemia (6%)	12% discontinued due AE 61% required dose interruption or delay 58% of patients received 80% of planned dabrafenib 75% of patients received 80% planned trametinib
Dabrefenib/trametinib (first-line)	Pyrexia (11%) ALT increase (11%) HTN (11%) Vomiting (8%)	AE's leading to treatment discontinuation (22%), dose interruption (75%), and dose reduction (39%) Dose reduction dabrafenib: 47%, Dose reduction trametinib 28%

Planchard et al Lancet Oncology 2016, Planchard et al Lancet Oncology 2016, Planchard  
Lancet Oncology 2017



# BRAF Non-V600E mutations

First author	Therapy	# of patients	ORR	PFS	OS
Mazieres et al	Vemurafenib	17	0%	1.8 month	5.2 months
Hainsworth et al	Vemurafenib	23*	4%	Not available	Not available
Gautschi et al	Vemurafenib or dabrafenib	6**	17% (1 of 6)	1.5 months	11.8 months

\* Number includes patients with all tumor types. Cohort stopped for futility

\*\* Retrospective study and subset analysis for non-V600E

Mazieres et al WCLC 2018, Hainsworth et al JCO 2018, Gautschi et al JTO 2015

# *MET* exon 14 alterations

- Introns flanking *MET* exon 14 in pre-mRNA are spliced out resulting MET mRNA which is translated into functional MET receptor
- *MET* exon 14 encodes the ubiquitin ligase binding site which is used in receptor degradation
- Mutations that disrupt splice sites result in *MET* exon 14 skipping producing a MET receptor that lacks ubiquitin binding site → reduced degradation of MET protein → sustained MET activation
- Next generation sequencing the preferred testing method
- *MET* exon 14 skipping mutations in 20-30% of pulmonary sarcomatoid carcinoma, and can be seen in squamous histology
- Median age 73 years

## Crizotinib in *MET* amplified NSCLC: Context matters

MET/CEP7 ratio	N	ORR	PFS
$\geq 1.8$ to $\leq 2.2$	3	33%	1.8
$> 2.2$ to $< 4.0$	14	14.3%	1.9
$\geq 4.0$	20	40%	6.8

- MET amplified defined by copy number as well. Copy number cut-off vary depending on testing
- MET amplification present in 15-20% of samples of MET exon 14 alteration
- 2/19 patients of *MET* amplified patients had *MET* exon 14 alterations (10.5%)

# Frequency of *MET* alterations

Molecular alteration	Screening	# of positive cases	Pts included
<i>MET</i> amplification	4191	252 (6.0%)	25 patients
<i>MET</i> mutation	1192	86 (7.2%)	29 patients

Moro-Sibilot et al WCLC 2018

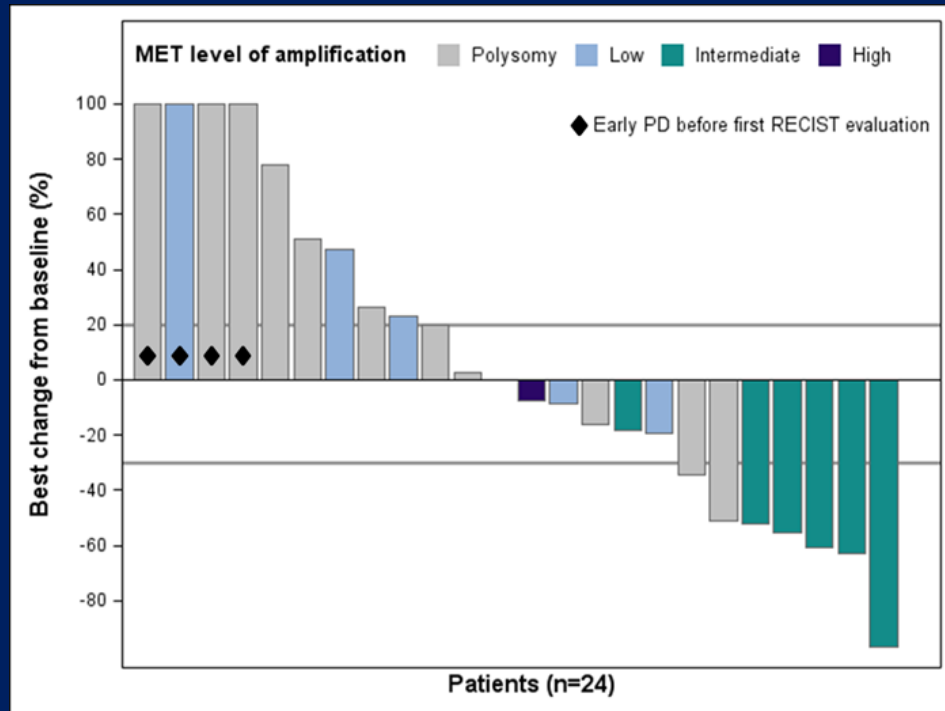
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Patient and disease characteristics	<i>MET</i> amplification	<i>MET</i> mutation
Number	25 Median copy #: 8 (6-12)	28 Exon 14: n=25)
Male	56%	32%
Median age (range)	59 (30-92)	72 (35-85)
Adenocarcinoma	21 (84%)	26 (92%)
Smokers (current and former)	18 (76%)	11 (52%)
Brain metastases	5 (20%)	7 (25%)

Moro-Sibilot et al WCLC 2018

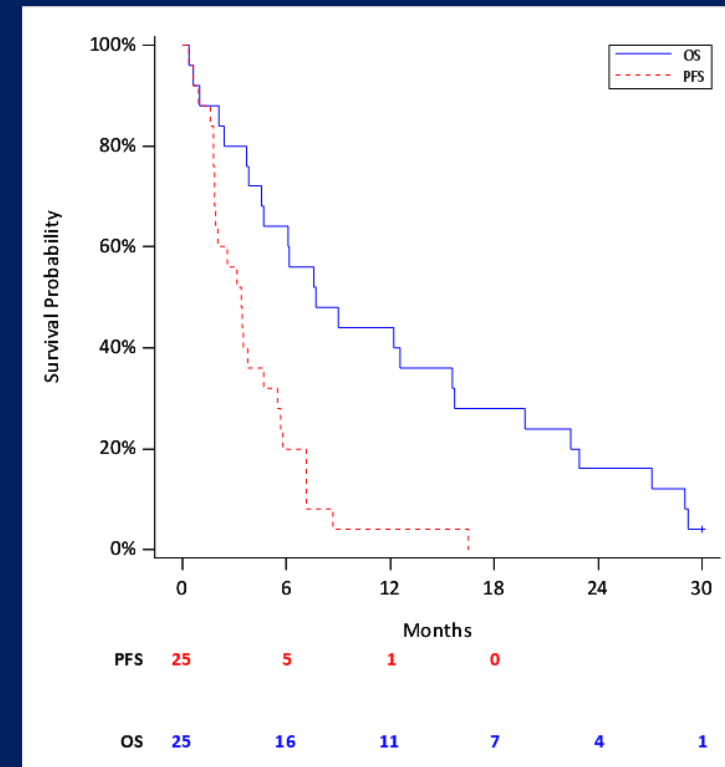
# MET amplification

Response



ORR: 32% (8/25)

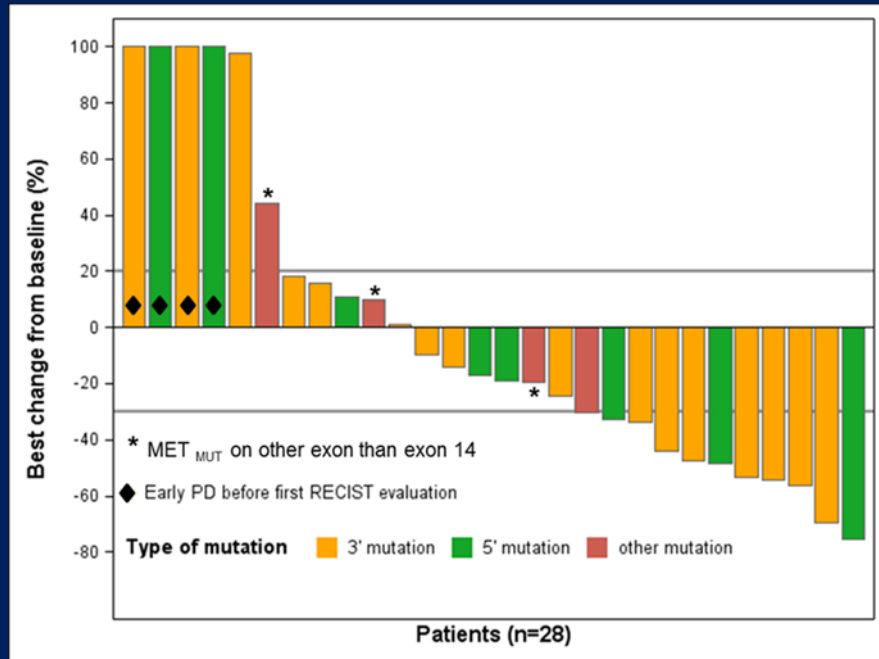
PFS and OS



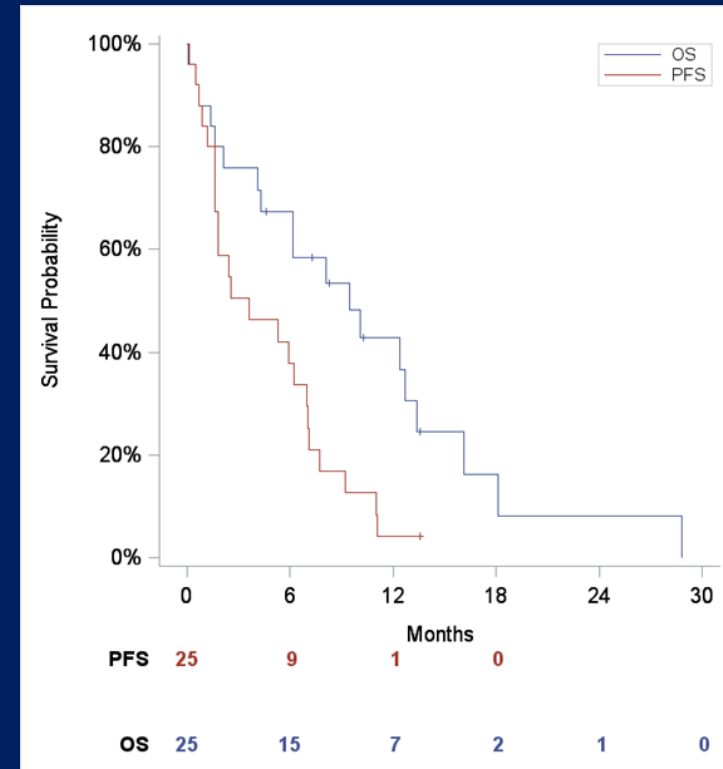
Median PFS: 3.4 months

Median OS: 7.7 months

# MET exon 14 mutation



ORR 40% (10/25)

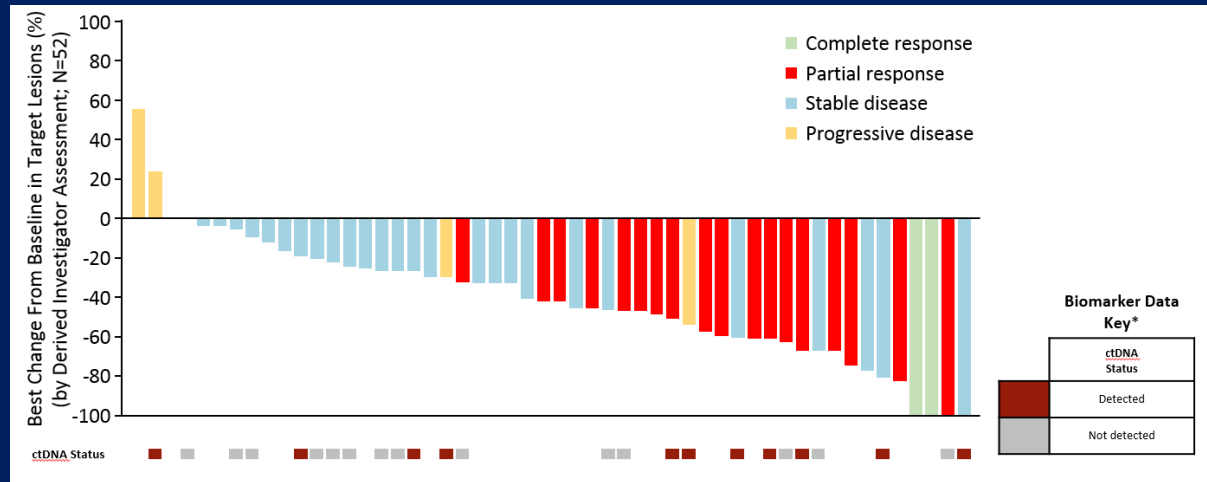


Median PFS 3.6 months  
Median OS: 9.5 months

Moro-Sibilot et al WCLC 2018

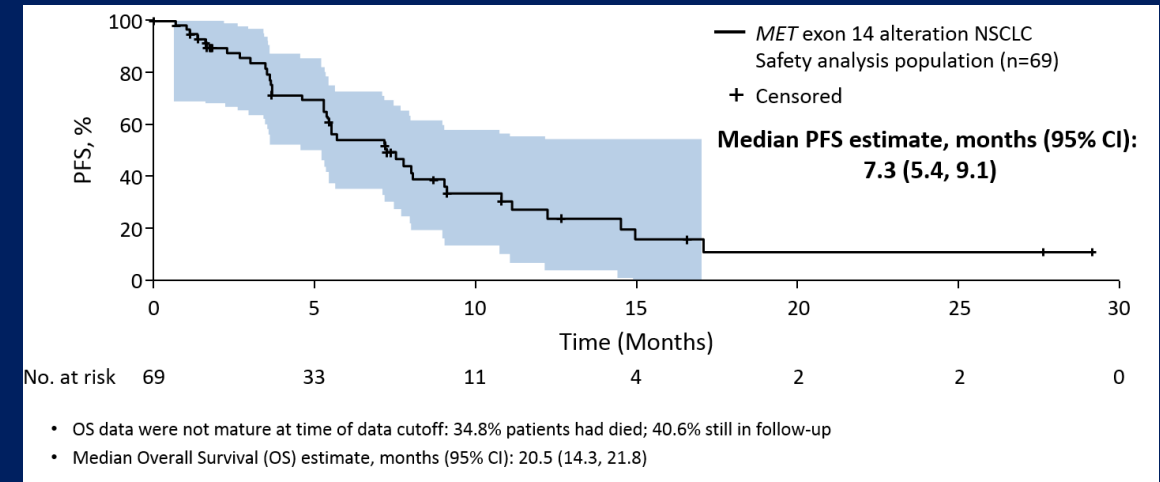
# Crizotinib in *MET* exon 14 alterations

## Responses



ORR: 32% (28/65)  
DOR: 9.1 months

## Progression-free survival



Median OS: 20.5 months



# Novel agents MET exon 14 agents

Agent	Patient population	ORR	PFS
Capmatinib (INC280)	MET exon 14 Pre-treated	39% 27/69	Not available
Capmatinib (INC280)	MET exon 14 Treatment naïve	72% (18/25)	Not available
Tepotinib	MET exon 14 Pre-treated	35% (14/40)	Not available

Wolf et al ESMO 2018, Felip et al WCLC 2018

# *RET* rearranged NSCLC

- *RET* rearrangements are detected in 1-2% of adenocarcinomas, 8% among patients who are *EGFR* and *ALK* negative
- *RET* proto-oncogene is rearranged with partner gene: *KIF5B* most common but others are *CCDC6*, *NCOA4*, or *TRIM33*
- Multi-targeted TKI's investigated in prospective phase 2 studies
- Frequent dose reductions for “off target” toxicities were observed, often related to VEGF and/or EGFR activity

# Phase 2 trials of RET inhibitors

Agent	# of patients	ORR	PFS	Dose reduction
Vandetanib	17	47% (n=9) 95% CI: 24-71%	4.7 months 95% CI: 2.8-8.5	53% of patients
Vandetanib	18	18% (n=3)	4.5 months	22% of patients
Cabozantinib	26	28% (n=7) 95% CI: 12-49%	5.5 months 95% CI: 3.8-8.4	73% of patients
Platinum-based chemotherapy*	84	51% (n=33) 95% CI: 38-63	7.8 months 95% CI: 5.3-10.2	

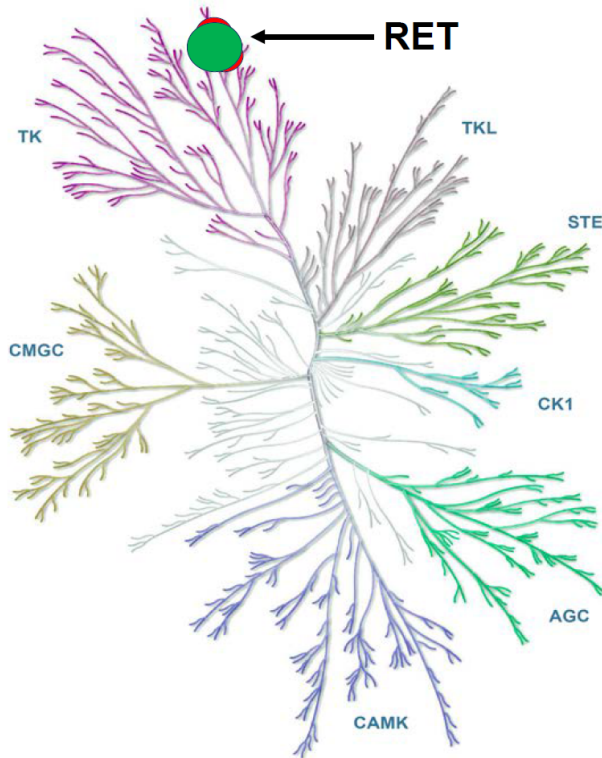
- Of 84 patients 66 received platinum-pemetrexed
- Median OS 24.8 months

Yoh et al Lancet Respiratory 2017, Drilon et al Lancet Oncology 2016, Lee et al Annals of Oncology 2017

# LOXO-292 is a potent and selective RET inhibitor

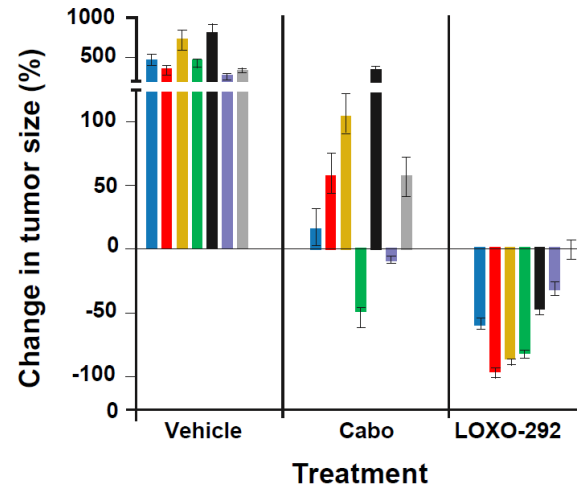
## Kinome selectivity

Highly selective for RET



## Xenograft models

Multiple fusions/mutations/histologies

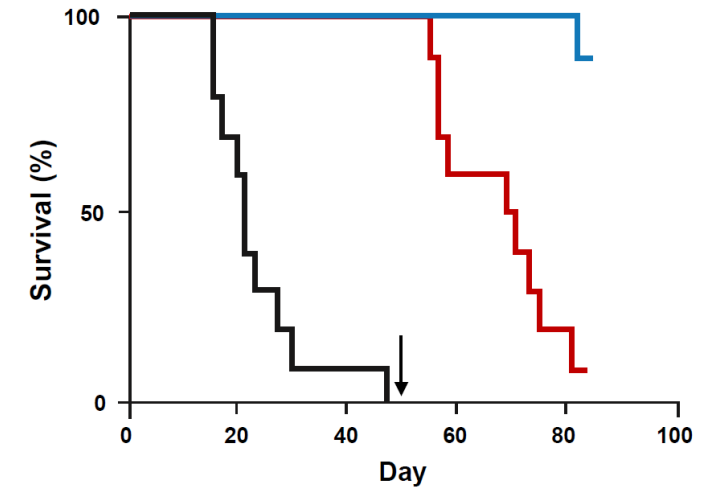


### Tumor models

- KIF5B-RET (PDX-NSCLC)
- CCDC6-RET (PDX-CRCA)
- CCDC6-RET-V804M (PDX-CRCA)
- KIF5B-RET (NIH-3T3)
- KIF5B-RET-V804M (NIH-3T3)
- RET C634W (TT cell line-MTC)
- CCDC6-RET (LC-2/ad cell line-NSCLC)

## Orthotopic brain model

CCDC6-RET orthotopic brain PDX



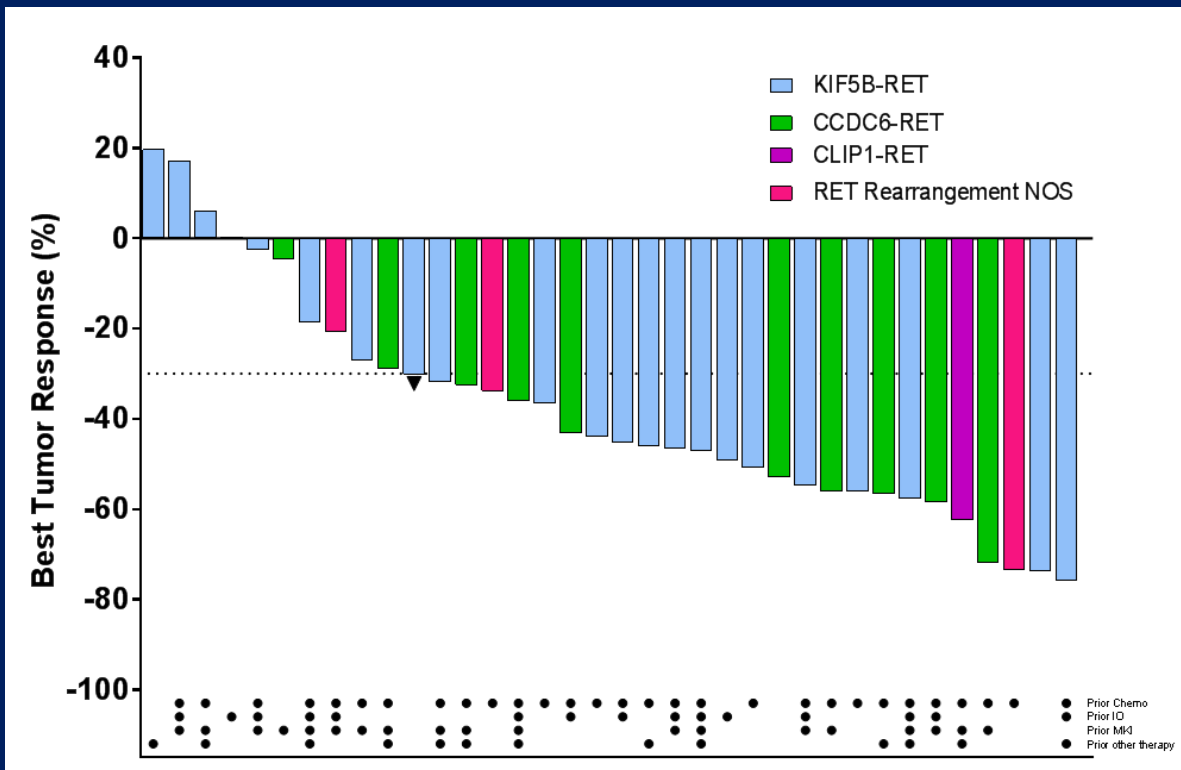
### Treatments

- Vehicle
- LOXO-292 30 mg/kg BID → Day 52 → 3 mg/kg BID
- Ponatinib 20 mg/kg QD → Day 52 → 2 mg/kg QD

Oxnard et al WCLC 2018

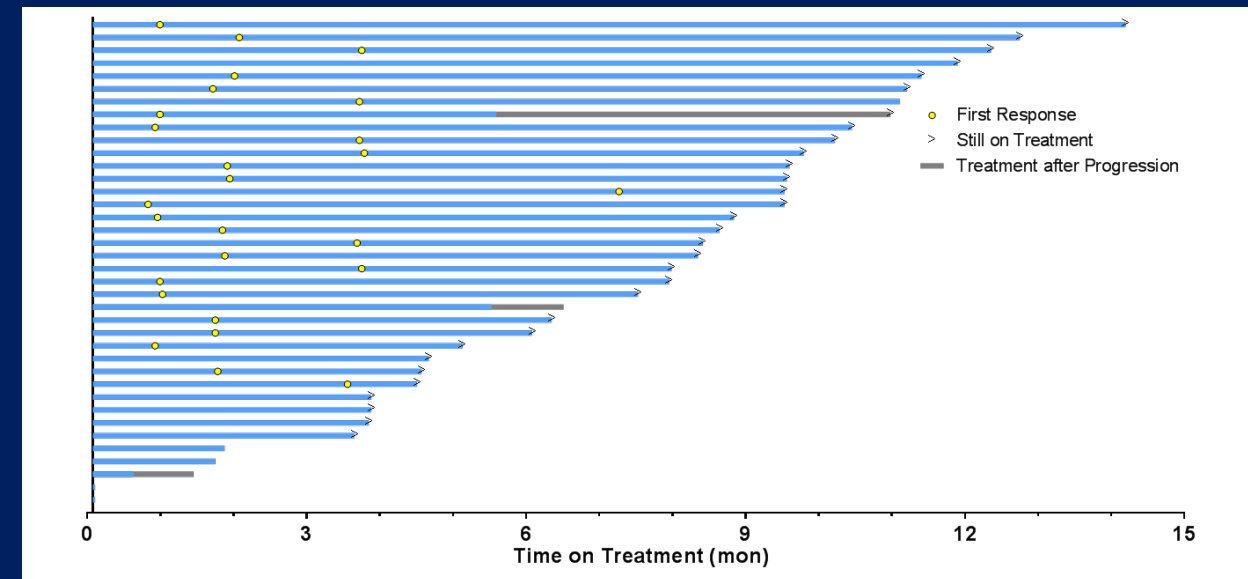
# Efficacy of LOXO-292 in RET fusion NSCLC

Responses



ORR: 68% (26/38)

Swimmers plot



24/26 responses on going at time of analysis

# LOXO-292 safety profile

	All doses and patients, n=82								
	Treatment-emergent AEs (≥10% overall)					Treatment-related AEs			
	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total		Grade 3	Grade 4	Total
Diarrhea	15%	7%	1%	-	23%		1%	-	11%
Fatigue	9%	13%	-	-	22%		-	-	17%
Dry Mouth	21%	-	-	-	21%		-	-	13%
Constipation	17%	2%	-	-	20%		-	-	4%
Hypomagnesemia	12%	1%	-	-	13%		-	-	2%
Cough	11%	1%	-	-	12%		-	-	1%
Headache	10%	1%	1%	-	12%		-	-	1%
Nausea	9%	4%	-	-	12%		-	-	5%

- Most treatment-emergent AEs were Grade 1 in severity and judged not related to LOXO-292
- Four patients experienced treatment-related AEs ≥ grade 3: diarrhea, increased ALT/AST, thrombocytopenia (DLT @ 240mg BID), tumor lysis syndrome (DLT @ 240mg BID)
- Dose exploration ongoing at 200 mg BID

AE = adverse event; DLT = dose limiting toxicity; ALT = alanine aminotransferase; AST = aspartate aminotransferase; Note: Total %s for any given AE may be different than the sum of the individual grades, due to rounding. Patients enrolled as of April 2, 2018. Follow-up as of July 19, 2018.

# Phase 1 trial of BLU-667 in patients with advanced RET-altered solid tumors

- 53 patients enrolled: 29 medullary thyroid cancer and 19 NSCLC
- MTD 400 daily with dose-limiting toxicities of hyponatremia and hypertension
- Grade  $\geq 3$  AE's: increased liver tests, hypertension, diarrhea, fatigue, neutropenia
- Response evaluable patients (n=40): CR 1 (3%), PR 17 (43%), SD 20 (50%), PD 2 (5%)
- ORR in RET-fusion NSCLC: 50%
- 41 of 51 RET altered patients remain on treatment

# *NTRK* gene rearrangements

- Gene rearrangements on *NTRK1*, *NTRK2*, and *NTRK3* and multiple gene partners
- FISH and NGS can identify alteration
- Screened 1,378 cases of NSCLC, *NTRK1* gene rearrangements identified in 0.1%
- Present in papillary thyroid cancer, cholangiocarcinoma, glioblastoma, sarcomas
- Larotrectinib potent and selective inhibitor of all 3 TRK proteins



# Larotrectinib in *TRK*-fusion cancers

## Diseases

Tumor type	#/ percentage
Salivary gland tumor	12 (22%)
Soft tissue sarcoma	11 (20%)
Infantile fibrosarcoma	7 (13%)
Thyroid cancer	5 (9%)
Colon cancer	4 (7%)
Lung cancer	4 (7%)
Melanoma	4 (7%)
GIST	3 (5%)
Cholangiocarcinoma	2 (4%)
Appendix	1 (2%)
Breast	1 (2%)
Pancreas	1 (2%)

## Efficacy

Parameter	Result
ORR	75% (41/55)
Median time to response	1.8 months
Median duration of response	NR
Median PFS	NR
1-year PFS	55%

## Emerging targeted agents for patients with metastatic NSCLC

Genetic Alteration (i.e. driver event)	Available targeted agent
High level <i>MET</i> amplification or <i>MET</i> exon 14 skipping mutation	Crizotinib
<i>RET</i> rearrangements	Cabozantinib, vandetanib
<i>HER2</i> mutations	Ado-trastuzumab emtansine
Tumor mutation burden	Nivolumab +/- ipilimumab

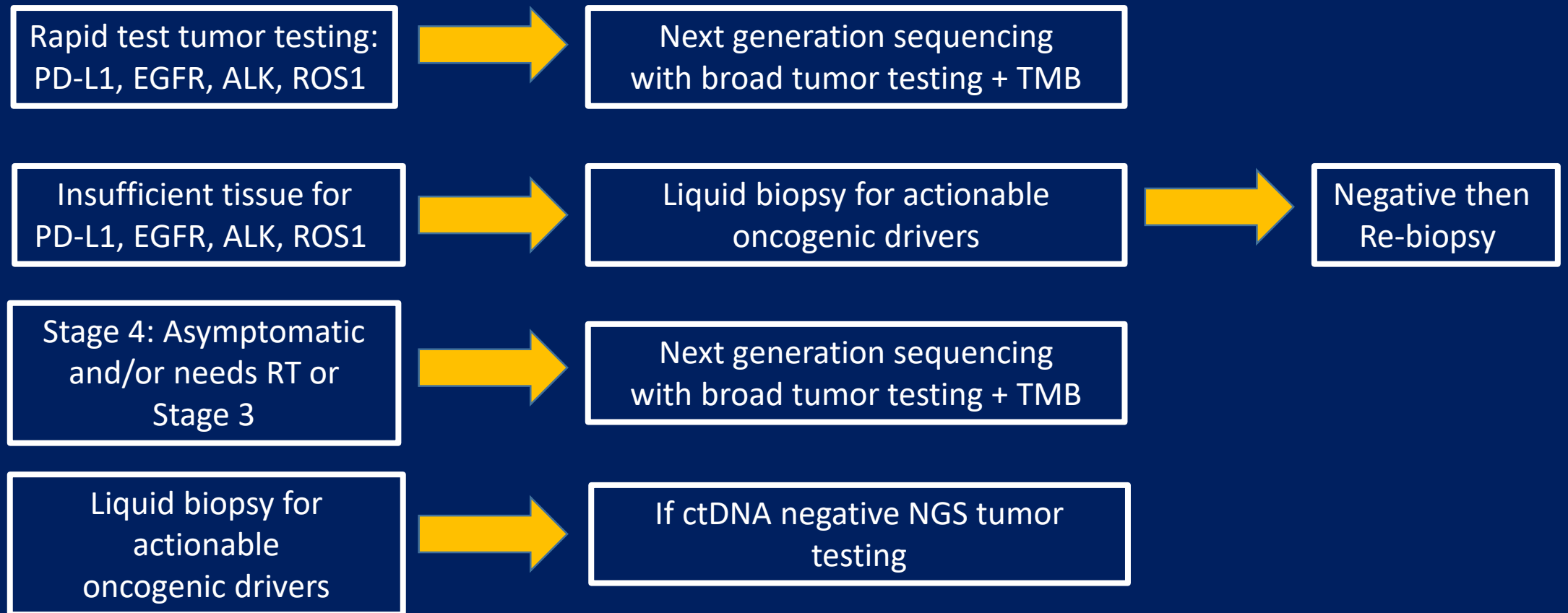
Note: All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated

Clinical trials: NCCN believes that the best management of any patient with cancer is a clinical trial.

Participation in clinical trials is especially encouraged.

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# Testing strategies: one size does not fit all



# My thoughts

- *ROS1* crizotinib the standard therapy. Novel first and second-line agents may become available
- *BRAF V600E*: dabrafenib and trametinib standard option
- *MET* exon 14 and *MET* amplified promising target: crizotinib active, but need to develop new agents
- *HER2* mutant: current TKI's limited activity, and T-DM1 promising but needs further validation
- RET inhibitor LOXO-292 reveals promising activity and tolerable side effects. BLU-667 in development as well
- Supports wider used on NGS or broad testing methods for rare mutations