

Oncology Drug Development: An OCE Perspective

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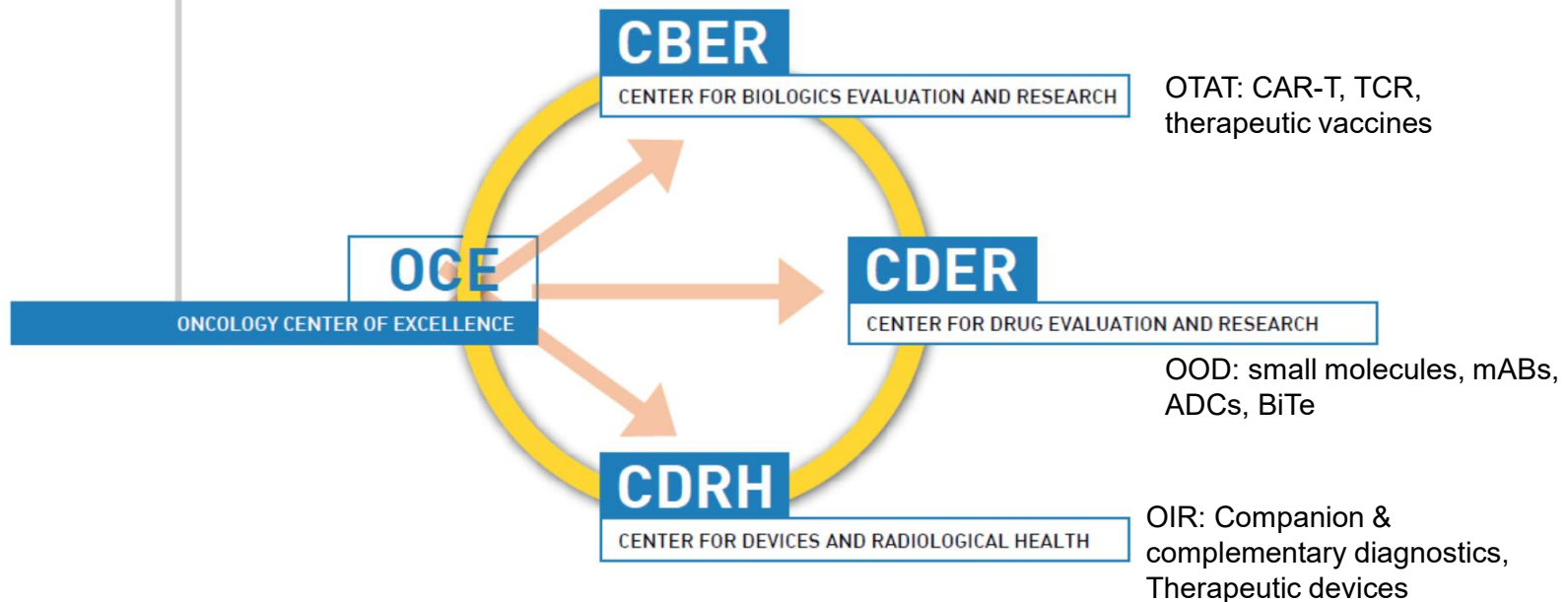
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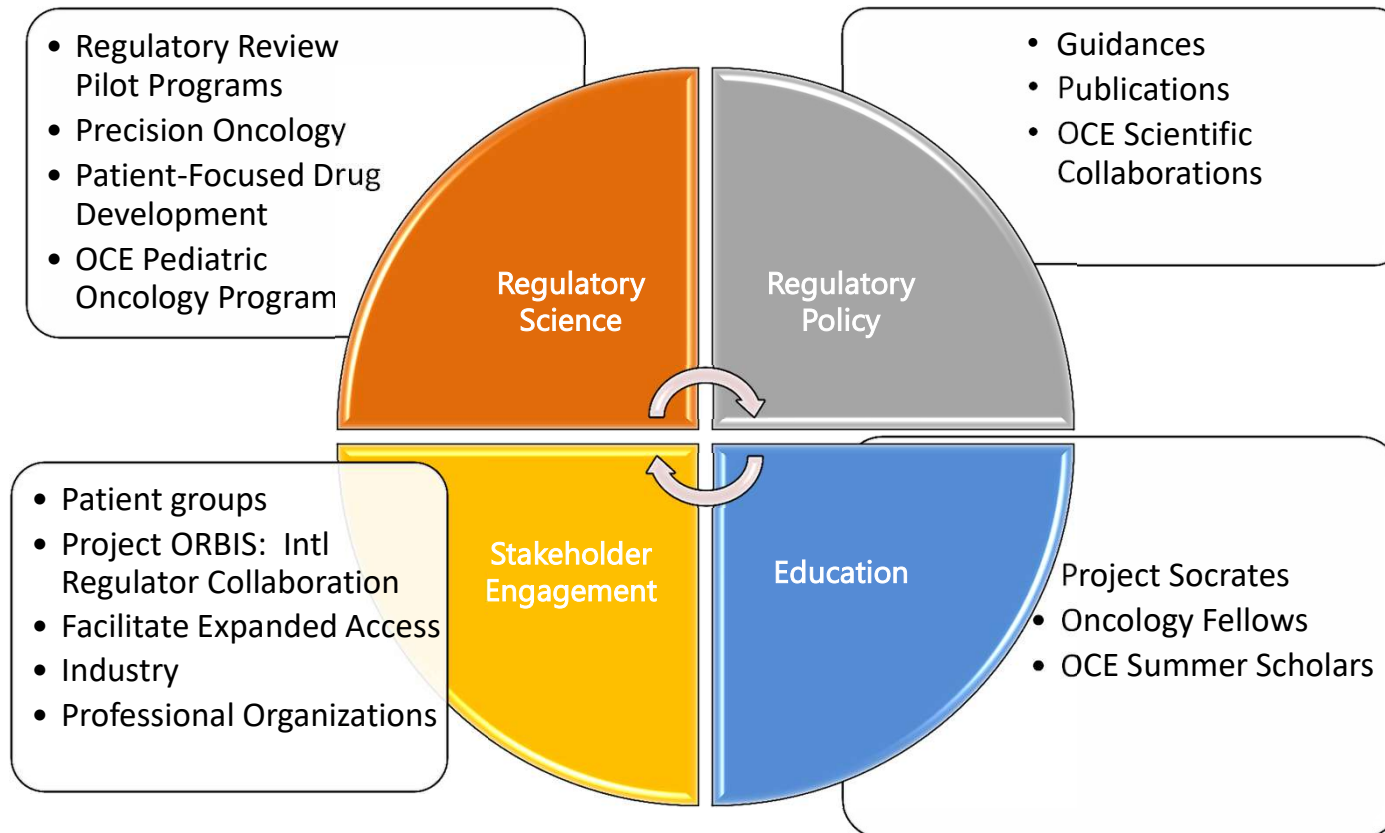
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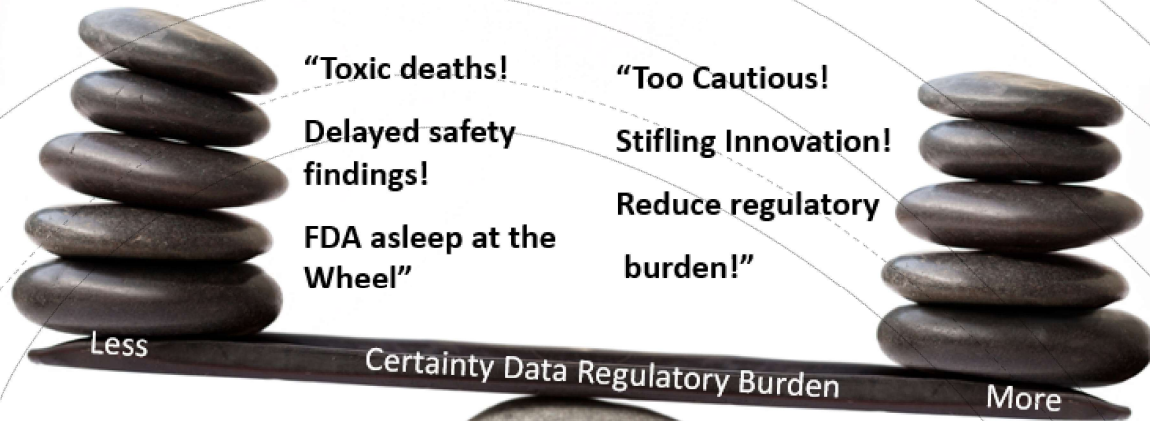
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- Authorized by **21st Century Cures Act**: 1st FDA Inter-Center Institute

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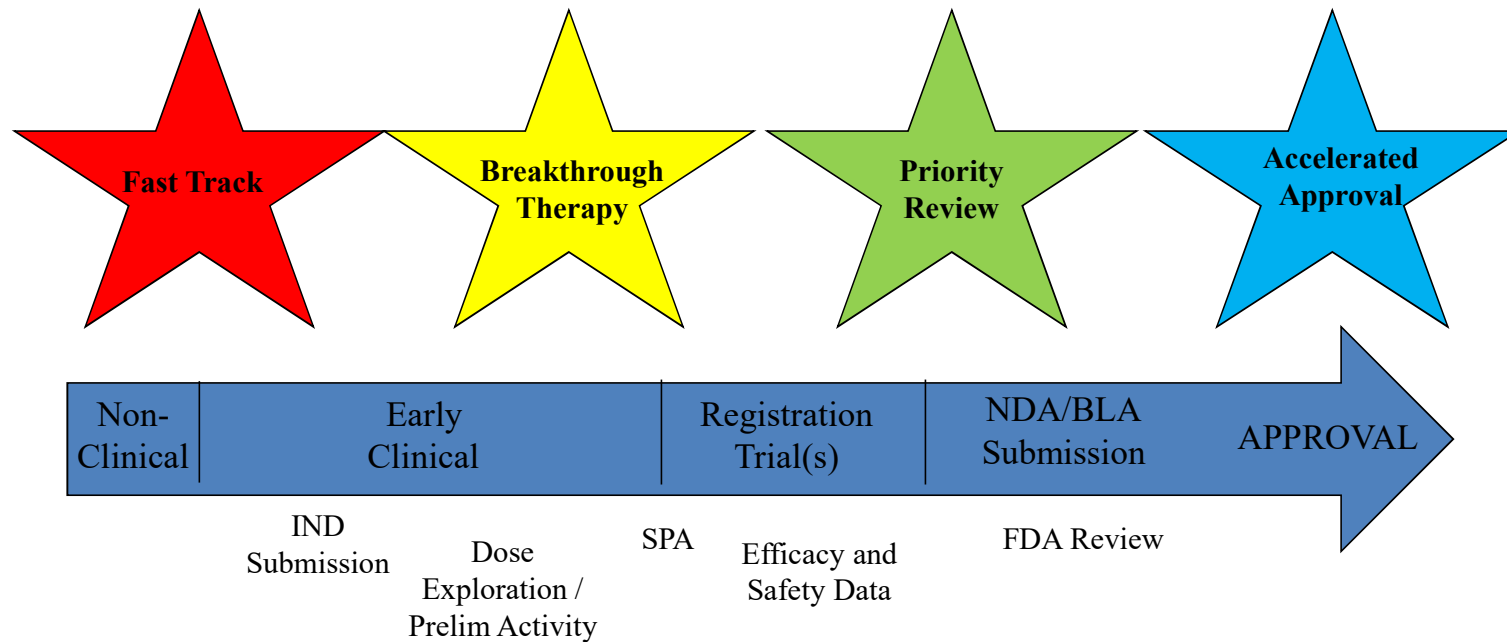
Certainty Data Regulatory Burden

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FDA Expedited Programs



Other programs: Regenerative Medicine Advanced Therapeutics (RMAT); Breakthrough Device
OCE pilots: Real-Time Oncology Review (RTOR), Assessment Aid (AAid)

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Lung Cancer Mortality Decreasing Faster than Lung Cancer Incidence

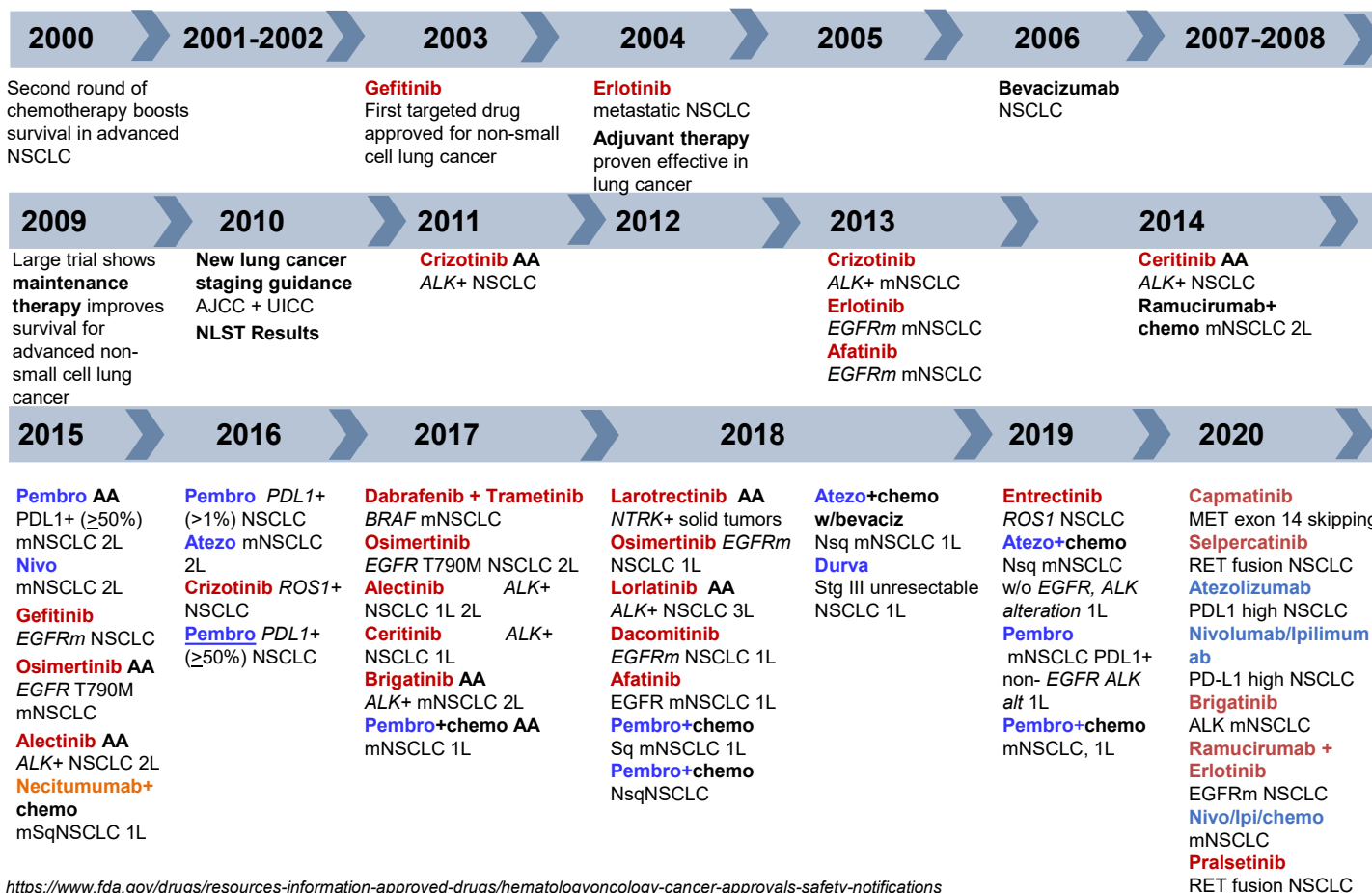
		Average annual percent change
Males	Incidence (2011-15)	-2.6
	Mortality (2012-16)	-4.3
Females	Incidence (2011-15)	-1.2
	Mortality (2012-16)	-3.1

Incidence: age standardized, delay-adjusted rate
 Mortality: age-standardized rate

Advances in Lung Cancer Research & Treatment: 2000-2020



AA = Accelerated Approval



<https://www.fda.gov/drugs/resources-information-approved-drugs/hematologyoncology-cancer-approvals-safety-notifications>

Immunotherapy Approvals in NSCLC

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Drug	Indication	Accelerated Approval Endpoint (Year)	Regular Approval Endpoint (Year)
Nivolumab	2L mNSCLC (squamous and non-squamous)		OS (2015)
Pembrolizumab	2L mNSCLC (TPS \geq 1%) 1L mNSCLC (TPS \geq 50%)	ORR (2015)	OS (2016)
Atezolizumab	2L mNSCLC		OS (2016)
Pembrolizumab	1L mNSCLC (with pemetrexed and carboplatin)	PFS (2017)	OS (2018)
Durvalumab	Maintenance after chemoradiation		PFS (2018)
Pembrolizumab	1L sqNSCLC (paclitaxel and carboplatin)		OS (2018)
Atezolizumab	1L mNSCLC (with paclitaxel/carboplatin/bevacizumab)		PFS/OS (2018)
Pembrolizumab	1L mNSCLC (TPS \geq 1%)		OS (2019)
Atezolizumab	1L mNSCLC (with paclitaxel protein-bound and carboplatin)		OS and PFS (2019)

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I will rework this slide to include 2020 approvals but wanted to show endpoints mostly OS

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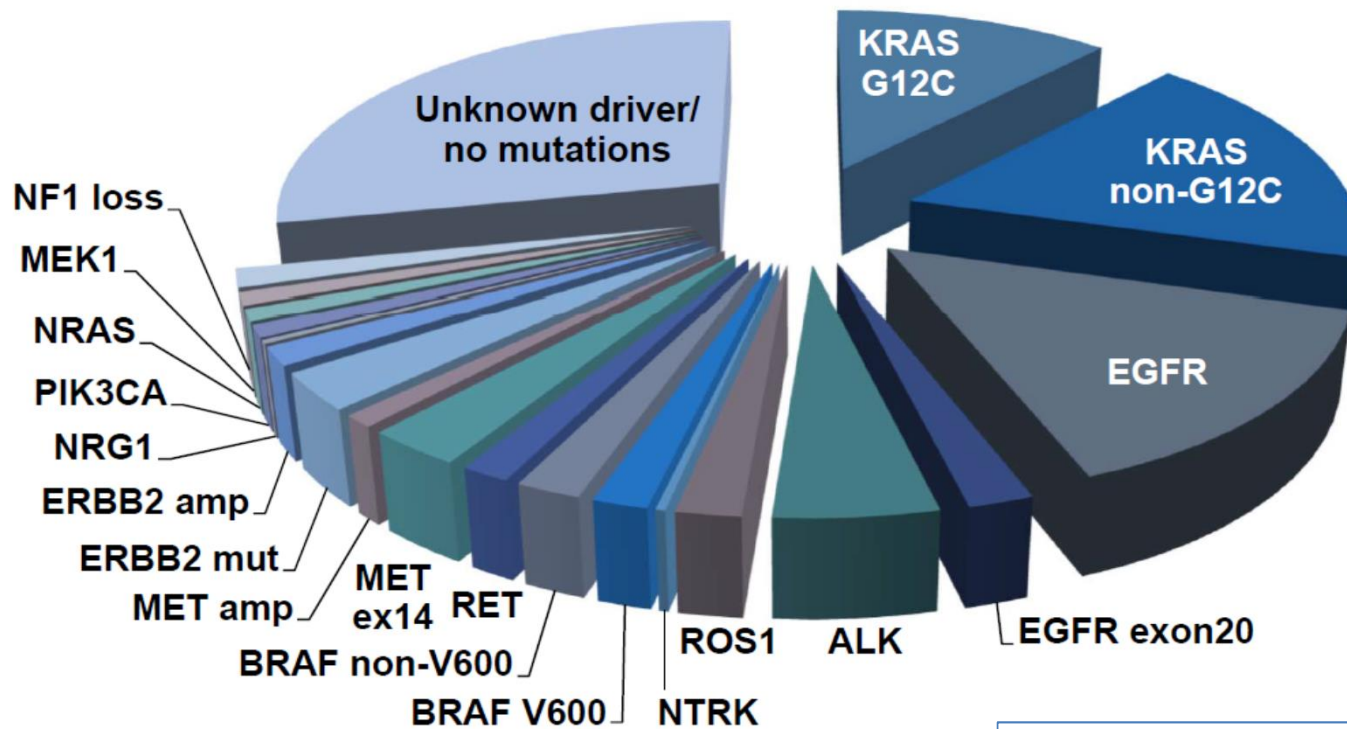


Re-evaluating OS as an endpoint

- Unprecedented response rates in diseases with few therapeutic options → loss of equipoise in randomized trial
- Cancers with long natural histories
- Rarity of cancers due to reclassification based on genomic factors

These features may limit use of Overall Survival as an endpoint and require evaluation of other endpoints.

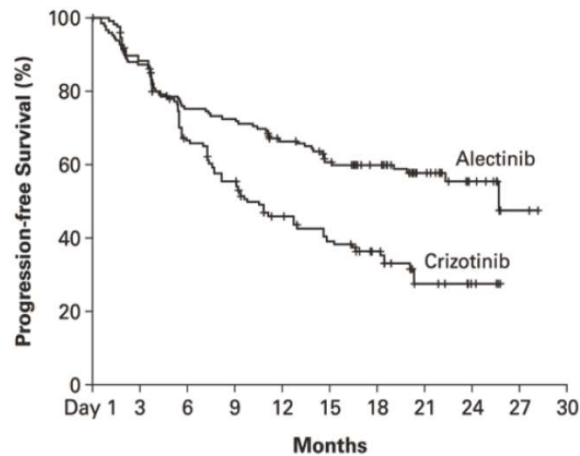
Oncogenic Driver Alterations in NSCLC



Adapted from Jessica Lin, MD
DC Lung Conference 2019

Alectinib: ALK+ mNCLC

Median PFS: 25.7 (19.9, NE) vs 10.4 (7.7, 14.6)
HR 0.53 (0.38, 0.73)



No. at Risk	
Crizotinib	151 128 92 74 57 46 33 12 4
Alectinib	152 132 112 108 95 83 69 35 15 2

Table 8: IRC-Assessed CNS Responses in Patients with Measurable CNS Lesions at Baseline in ALEX

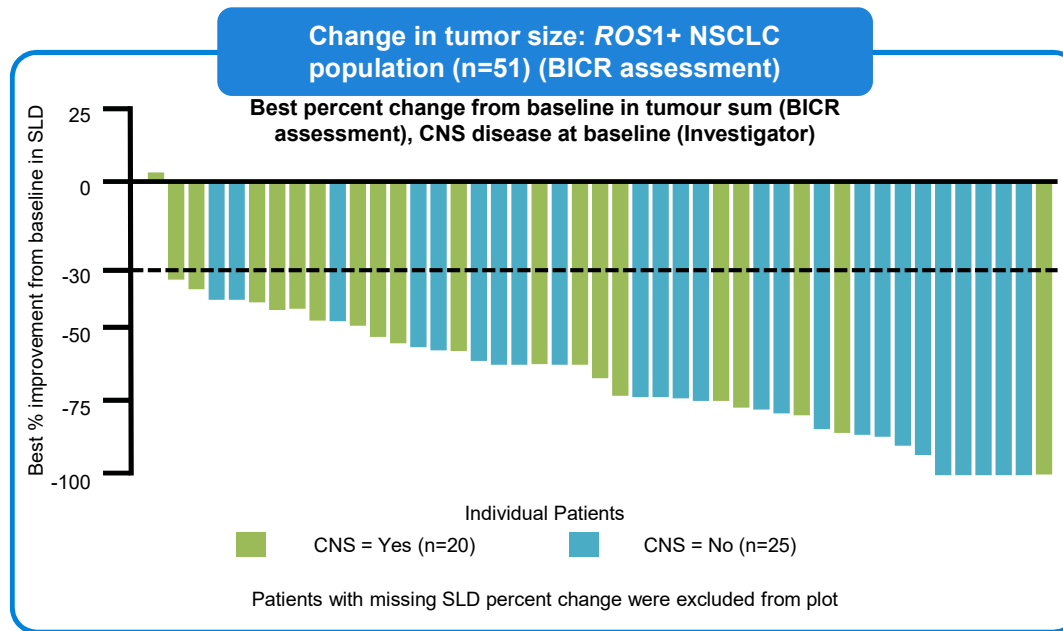
	ALECENSA	Crizotinib
CNS Tumor Response Assessment	N = 21	N = 22
CNS Objective Response Rate, % (95% CI) ^a	81% (58, 95)	50% (28, 72)
Complete Response	38%	5%
Duration of CNS Response		
Number of responders	17	11
CNS response duration ≥ 12 months	59%	36%

^a Clopper and Pearson exact binomial 95% confidence interval
 IRC: Independent Review Committee; CI: Confidence Interval; NE: Not Estimable

- Approval based on PFS
- Crossover at time of progression
- Enrolled patients with untreated CNS metastases (including leptomeningeal)

Entrectinib in ROS+ NSCLC

- Regular approval based on pooled subgroup analysis on ROS+ met NSCLC patients from 3 single-arm trials: ALKA, STARTRK-1 and 2
- 78% ORR (95% CI, 65-89), with 55% of responding patients having continued response for a year.



NSCLC: FDA Approved Targeted Therapy



Targetable Oncogene	FDA-approved drugs
EGFR	Erlotinib, gefitinib, afatinib, dacomitinib, osimertinib
ALK	Crizotinib, ceritinib, alectinib, brigatinib , lorlatinib
ROS1	Crizotinib, entrectinib
BRAF V600E	Dabrafenib + trametinib
TRK	Larotrectinib, entrectinib (tissue agnostic)
METex14 skipping	Capmatinib : accelerated approval May 6, 2020 for metastatic NSCLC with <i>MET</i> exon 14 skipping alterations
RET	<p>Selpercatinib: accelerated approval May 8, 2020 for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>RET</i> fusion-positive NSCLC • <i>RET</i> mutant medullary thyroid cancer • <i>RET</i> fusion-positive thyroid cancer <p>Pralsetinib: accelerated approval September 4, 2020 for <i>RET</i> fusion-positive NSCLC</p>

2020 Approvals for Thoracic Oncology



Drug(s)	Indication	Approval Endpoint
NSCLC Approvals		
Brigatinib	<i>ALK</i> + mNSCLC	PFS
Capmatinib	<i>MET</i> ex14 mNSCLC	ORR (AA)
Selpercatinib	<i>RET</i> fusion-positive mNSCLC	ORR (AA)
Pralsetinib	<i>RET</i> fusion-positive mNSCLC	ORR (AA)
Ramucirumab/Erlotinib	1L <i>EGFR</i> -mutated mNSCLC	PFS
Nivolumab/Ipilimumab/Chemo	1L mNSCLC	OS
Nivolumab/Ipilimumab	1L mNSCLC (PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$)	OS
Atezolizumab	1L mNSCLC (PD-L1 TC $\geq 50\%$ or IC $\geq 10\%$)	OS
SCLC Approvals		
Durvalumab/Chemo	1L ES-SCLC	OS
Lurbinectidin	2L mSCLC	ORR (AA)
Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma Approval		
Nivolumab/Ipilimumab	1L unresectable MPM	OS

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Regulatory Endpoints in NSCLC 2010-2020

Regulatory Endpoint Supporting Initial Approval	Drug Name
Objective Response Rate	Crizotinib ^{1,3} , Ceritinib ¹ , Gefitinib, Pembrolizumab ² , Osimertinib ¹ , Alectinib ¹ , Brigatinib ¹ , Dabrafenib+Trametinib ³ , Lorlatinib, Entrectenib ³ , Capmatinib, Selpercatinib, Pralsetinib
Progression-Free Survival	Erlotinib, Afatinib, Dacomitinib, Ramucirumab (with erlotinib)
Overall Survival	Ramucirumab (with docetaxel), Nivolumab/Ipilimumab, Necitumumab, Atezolizumab, Pembrolizumab

1. Subsequent confirmatory trial demonstrated PFS benefit
2. Subsequent confirmatory trial demonstrated OS benefit
3. Granted regular approval based on RR



NSCLC: Future Directions & Challenges

- Combination strategies
 - Rational and safe
- Effective therapies in earlier stages of disease
 - (Neo)adjuvant trials ongoing
- Liquid biopsies
 - FDA is open to discussing evidence generation for efficacy response
 - FDA welcomes proposals to incorporate liquid biopsy into early stage protocols

Paradigm Shift



Prerequisite: detailed biologic understanding + clinical data showing large magnitude and consistency of effect

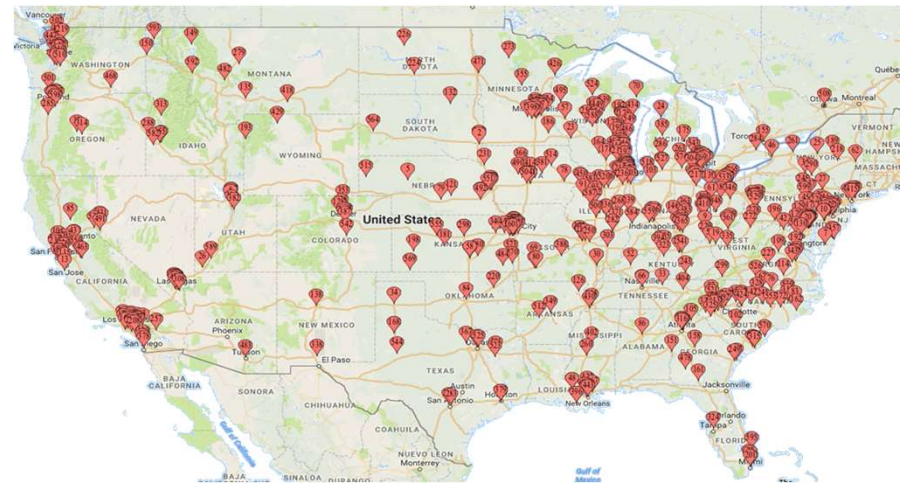
* At least- some of the time

Tissue Agnostic Approvals

- MSI-High: Pembrolizumab (AA)
- NTRK: Larotrectinib (AA)
- NTRK: Entrectinib (AA)
- TMB: Pembrolizumab (AA)

Lung-MAP Master Protocol

As of 06/29/2020	Total	S1400	LUNGMAP
Screening Registrations	3199	1864	1335
Screened at PD	1679	1127	552
Pre-screened*	1520	737	783
Sub-study Assignments	2840	1404	666
Among Screened at PD	1437	996	441
Among Pre-screened	617	408	209
Additional Assignments after PD on a Sub-study	83	67	16
Sub-study Registrations	876	687**	188



* pre-screening was added in May 2015 (11 months after activation)

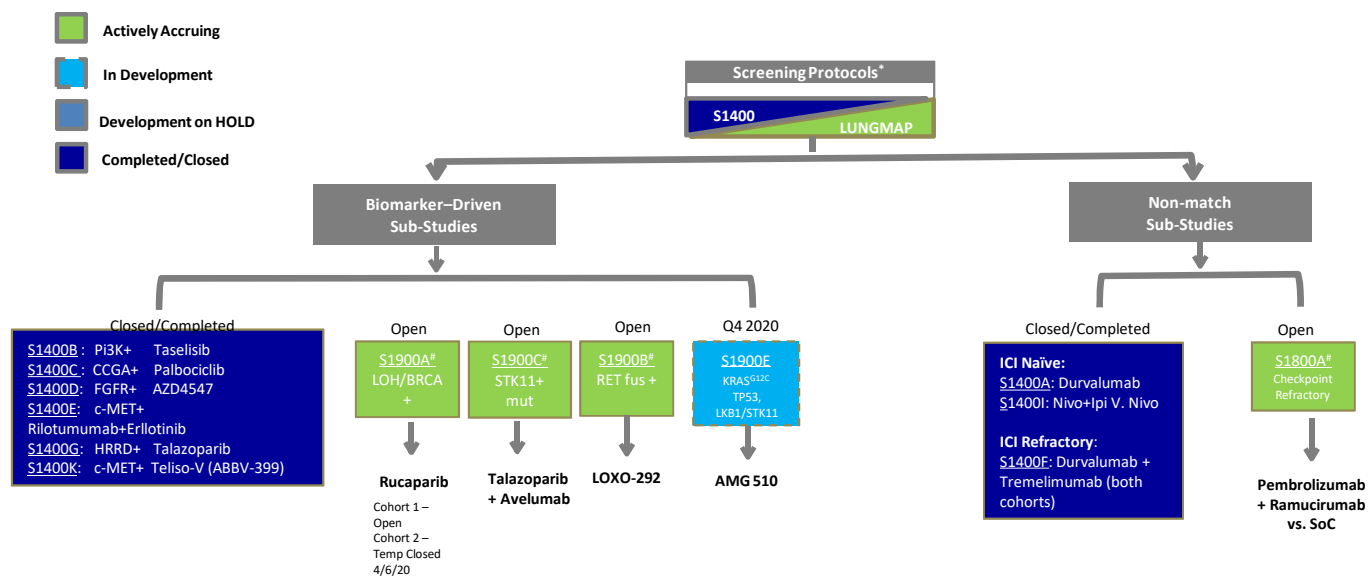
** includes 21 pts registered to a LUNGMAP sub-study



Current Lung-MAP Schema



Update on Existing & New Sub-Studies



*LUNGMAP screening protocol (activated 1/28/19) allows all histologic types of NSCLC. S1400, the original screening/umbrella protocol included only squamous lung cancer. S1400 accrued patients between 6/16/2014 and 1/28/2019. While S1400 is closed to accrual, patients enrolled to S1400 may participate in sub-studies they are eligible for.





OCE PROJECTS

FDA takes first action under new international collaboration

with Australia and Canada designed to provide a framework for concurrent review of cancer therapies



- Global collaboration
- Launched Oct 2004
- September 17, 2019: first action under Project Orbis with TGA (Australia) and HC (Canada)
- Utilization of RTOR and AAid programs

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FDA medical oncologists 'Lola Fashoyin-Aje MD MPH and Jamie Brewer MD, thoracic oncologist Michael Menefee MD and hematologist Nicole Gormley MD will speak to community members at the Allen Temple Baptist Church @allentemplebc in Oakland CA Sept 21. #OCEProjectCommunity



Project Community

Project Silver

Improving the evidence base for treating older adults with cancer

- Regulatory policy
- Advocacy and outreach
- Global engagement
- Research and publications



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FDA analyses of survival in older adults with metastatic non-small cell lung cancer in controlled trials of PD-1/PD-L1 blocking antibodies



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original reports **Outcomes of Older Women With Hormone Receptor-Positive, Human Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor-Negative Metastatic Breast Cancer Treated With a CDK4/6 Inhibitor and an Aromatase Inhibitor: An FDA Pooled Analysis**

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Perspectives

Enrollment of older adults on oncology trials: An FDA perspective☆

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COVID Guidances- Rapid Dissemination of Information

Contains Nonbinding Recommendations

FDA Guidance on Conduct of Clinical Trials of Medical Products during COVID-19 Public Health Emergency


Guidance for Industry, Investigators, and Institutional Review Boards

March 2020
Updated on May 14, 2020

Comments may be submitted at any time for Agency consideration. Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Staff (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Submit electronic comments to <https://www.regulations.gov>. All comments should be identified with the docket number listed in the notice of availability that publishes in the *Federal Register*.

For questions on clinical trial conduct during the COVID-19 pandemic, please email Clinicaltrialconduct-COVID19@fda.hhs.gov.

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FDA Guidance on Conduct of Clinical Trials of Medical Products during COVID-19 Pandemic

Initial release date: March 19, 2020

Multiple updates:

Most Recent September 21, 2020

COVID-19 Guidances are **Expedited**

- Released without Public Comment

Potential Lessons “Silver Linings” from COVID-19



- Calls to make clinical trials more patient centered pre-dated COVID-19 → FDA’s efforts and support longstanding
 - “Decentralize” Clinical Trials
 - Bring trial assessments to where patients live
 - Take Advantage of Digital Health Technology
 - Learn from “Real-World” Data → **COVID-19 Evidence Accelerator**



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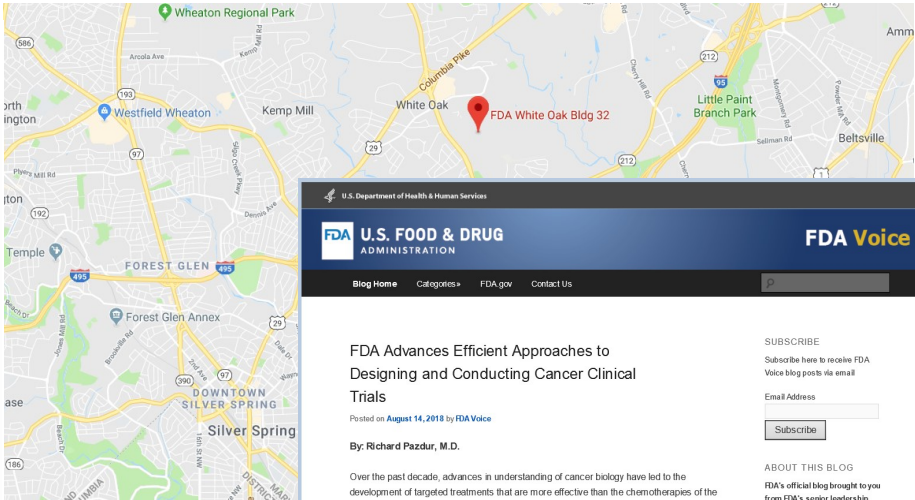
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Rick Pazdur @realrickpazdur · Feb 2
#FDA_ASCOFellowsDay engaging with a new generation of oncologists



Almost 100 medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, physicians



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FDA Advances Efficient Approaches to Designing and Conducting Cancer Clinical Trials

Posted on August 14, 2018 by FDA Voice

By: **Richard Pazdur, M.D.**

Over the past decade, advances in understanding of cancer biology have led to the development of targeted treatments that are more effective than the chemotherapies of the past century. These therapies are demonstrating response rates large in magnitude or response durations prolonged in early trials, or both. Patient demand to enter these trials has increased, and so have calls to expedite the drug development and approval processes, all while maintaining high standards for safety and efficacy. We never lose sight of our dedication to patients faced with a life-threatening disease and to making progress in the fight against cancer.

The FDA works with industry, researchers, and other stakeholders developing innovative cancer therapies. We must ensure clear understanding of our latest thinking on how clinical trials can be efficiently and effectively designed to

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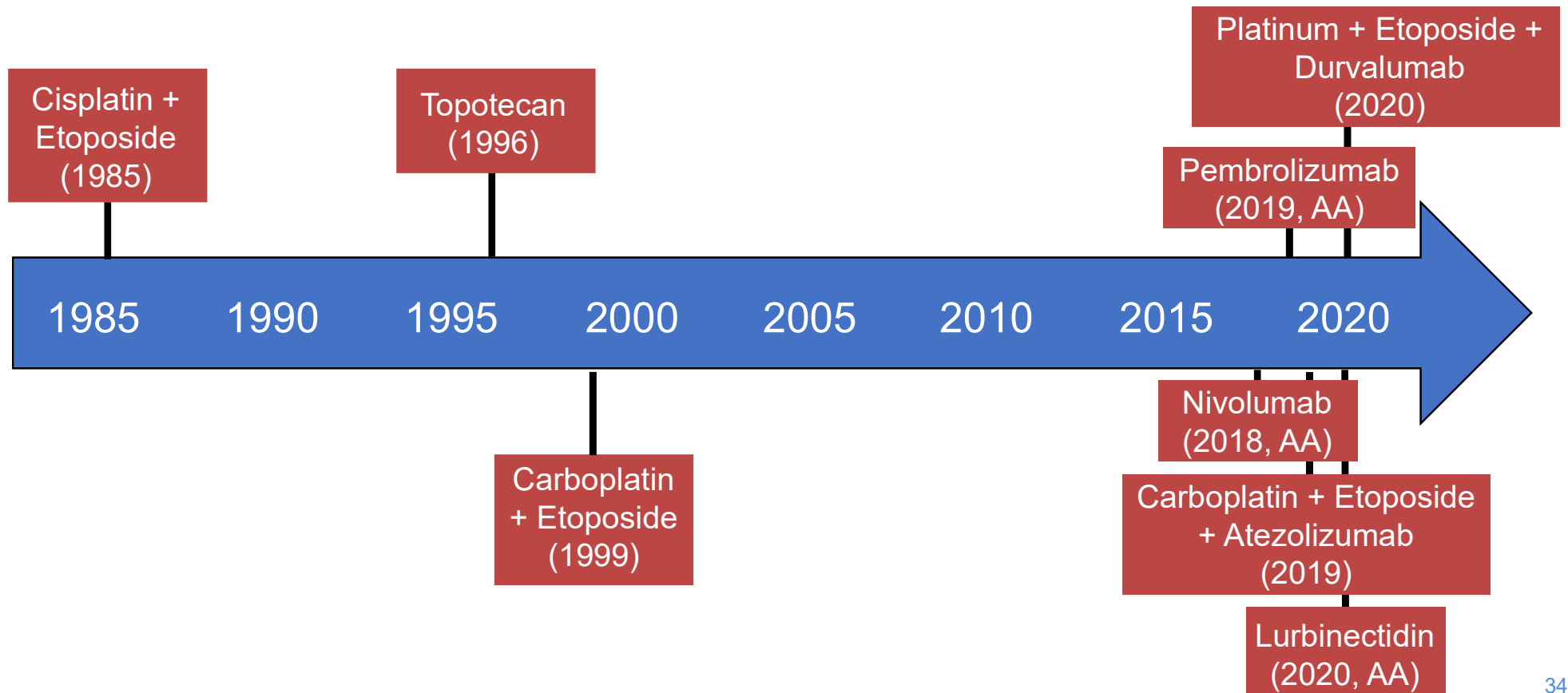
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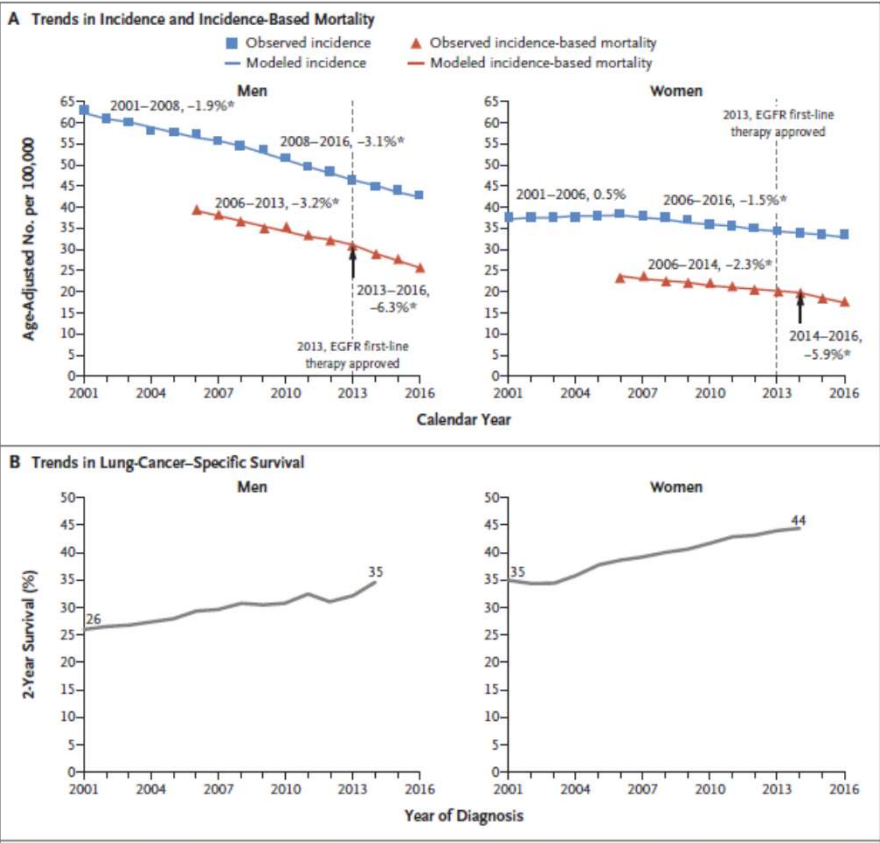


Challenges: Small Cell Lung Cancer

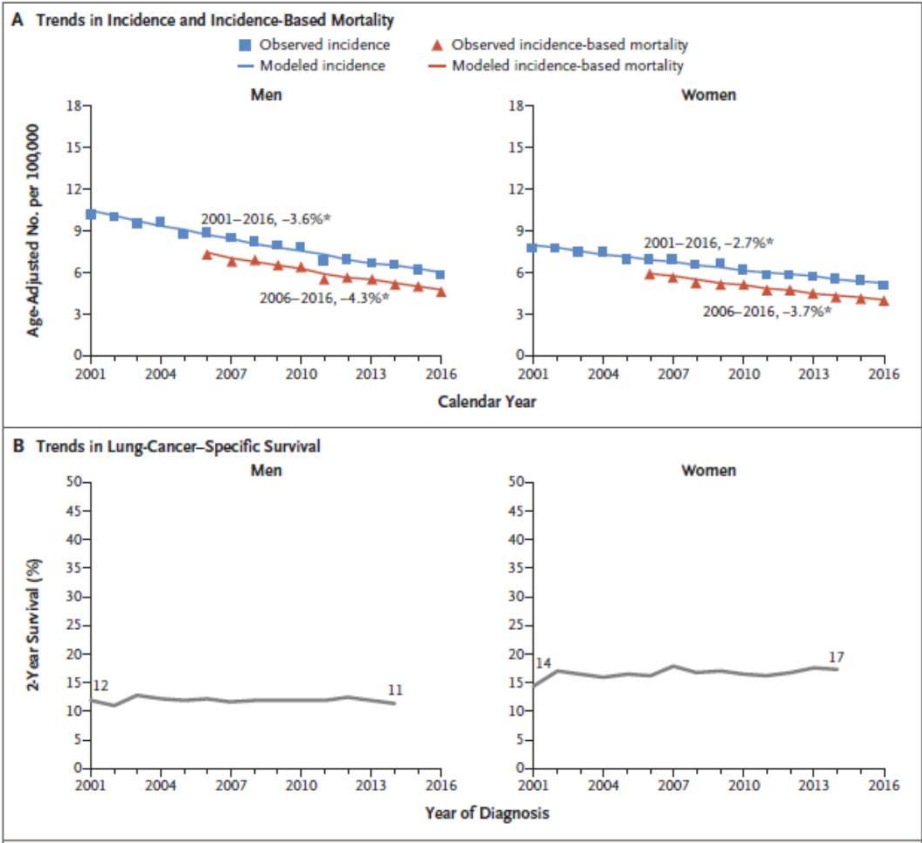


Treatment advances associated with improved survival for NSCLC but not SCLC

NSCLC



SCLC



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FDA-AACR Oncology Educational Fellowship

- Jointly developed by OCE and AACR
- Educational topics: IND, NDA/BLA, expedited pathways, animal studies, clinical pharmacology, statistics, clinical trial design, companion diagnostics, biomarkers, precision oncology
- Eligibility:
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 - 10-15 Fellows per year
 - MD, PhD, MD/PhD, DO



Project Patient Voice

- Pilot
- Publicly available website
- Describes patient reported, longitudinal, symptomatic adverse events
- Data collected from cancer clinical trials for approved drugs
- Sponsors voluntarily provide existing PRO data (i.e. submitted with NDA/BLA) for consideration

All Patients Who Completed the Questionnaire Described Their Experience of NAUSEA During the First 24 Weeks of Treatment:

Figure 1 shows the proportion of patients reporting the frequency of NAUSEA at each time point. For example, at week 2, 20% of patients taking drug reported nausea (ranging from rarely to almost constantly). The range of patients who reported having any amount of nausea during the first 24 weeks while taking drug was between 12% - 30%.

Figure 1. Patient-Reported Nausea During the First 24 Weeks on Treatment

