

How to Choose Front-Line Therapy for Metastatic NSCLC without Driver Mutations.

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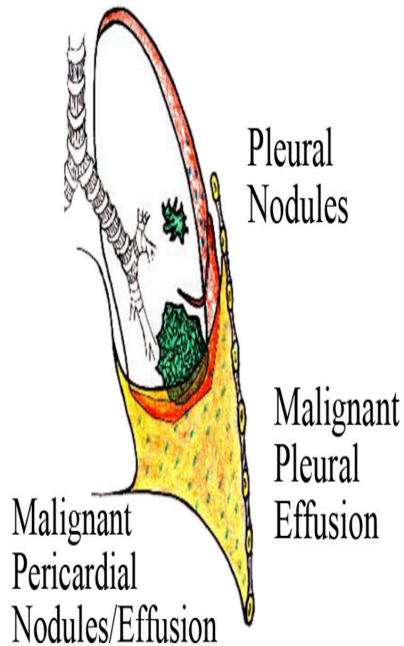


AJCC 8: Stage IVA and IVB

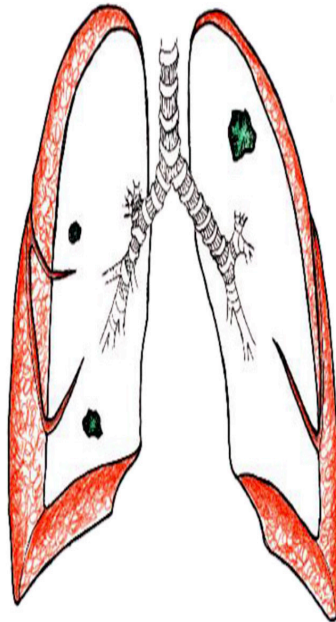


Stage IVA

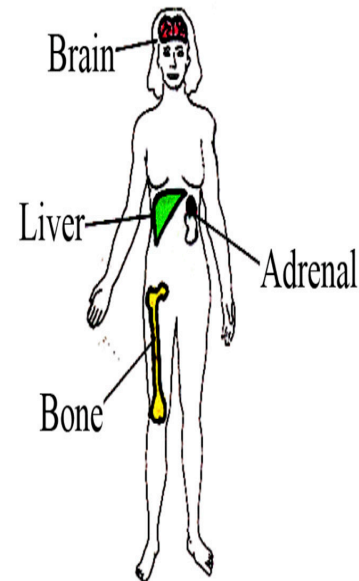
M1a Pl Dissem



M1a Contra Nod



M1b Single

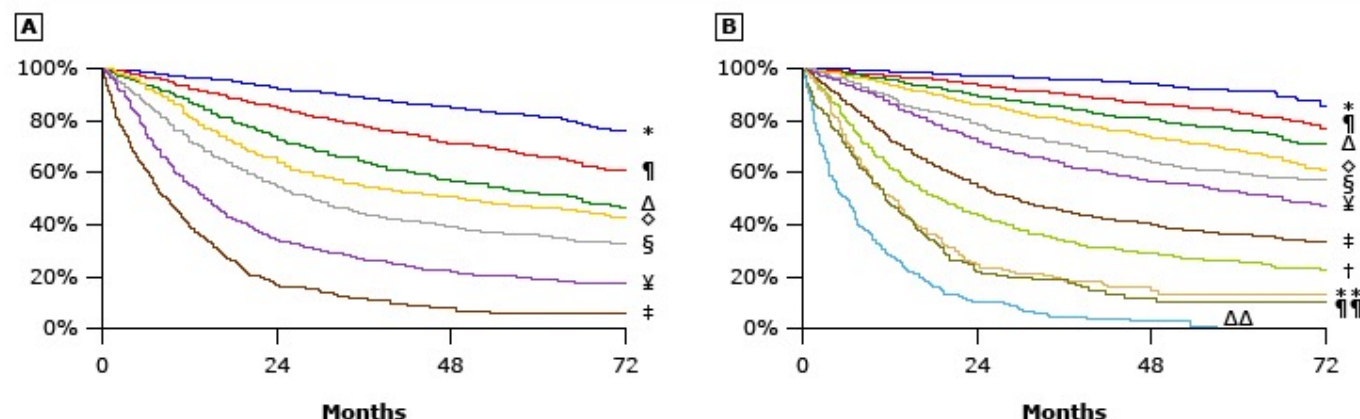


Stage IVB

M1c Multi



Overall survival by clinical stage according to the seventh edition (A) and the eighth edition (B) groupings using the entire database available for the eighth edition



7 th edition	Events / N	MST	24 month	60 month
* IA	1119 / 6303	NR	93%	82%
† IB	768 / 2492	NR	85%	66%
Δ IIA	424 / 1008	66.0	74%	52%
◇ IIB	382 / 824	49.0	64%	47%
§ IIIA	2139 / 3344	29.0	55%	36%
¥ IIIB	2101 / 2624	14.1	34%	19%
‡ IV	664 / 882	8.8	17%	6%

8 th edition	Events / N	MST	24 month	60 month
* IA1	68 / 781	NR	97%	92%
† IA2	505 / 3105	NR	94%	83%
Δ IA3	546 / 2417	NR	90%	77%
◇ IB	560 / 1928	NR	87%	68%
§ IIA	215 / 585	NR	79%	60%
¥ IIB	605 / 1453	66.0	72%	53%
‡ IIIA	2052 / 3200	29.3	55%	36%
† IIIB	1551 / 2140	19.0	44%	26%
** IIIC	831 / 986	12.6	24%	13%
†† IVA	336 / 484	11.5	23%	10%
ΔΔ IVB	328 / 398	6.0	10%	0%

Overall survival by clinical stage according to the seventh edition (A) and the eighth edition (B) groupings using the entire database available for the eighth edition. Survival is weighted by type of database submission: registry versus other.

N: number of patients; MST: median survival time; NR: not reached.

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Treatment Algorithm (as of 04/2022)

Adenoca & All Non-Sks

Is there an Actionable target?

Yes

TT

No

PD-L1 \geq 50%?

Y

I/CT+I

N

I/CT+ I

Squamous Cell Carcinoma

PD-L \geq 50%?

Y

I/CT+I

N

I/CT+I

PD-L1- \geq 50% – (Non-Sq): KN189/IMPower130/KN42/KN24/IMPower110/Empower1. (Sq): KN42/24/IMPower110/Empower1/KN407/CK9LA

PD-L1>1-49% – (Non-Sq): KN189/IMPower130/KN42 (Sq): KN407/KN42/CK9LA

PD-L1<1% – (Non-Sq): KN189/IMPower130/CK9LA. (Sq): KN407/CK9LA. TMB (High) - CK 227

(Non-Sks = non-smokers; TT = Targeted Therapy; I = Immunotherapy; CT = Chemotherapy)

Key Phase III Studies in NSCLC



Phase III IO trials in Advanced-NSCLC

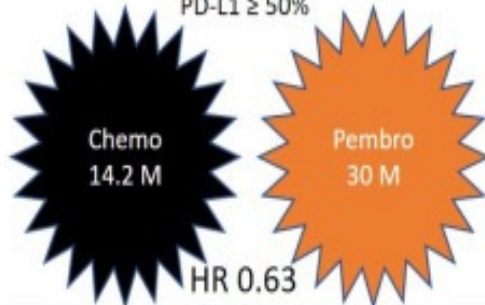
Nasser et al. doi: [10.3390/ph13110373](https://doi.org/10.3390/ph13110373)



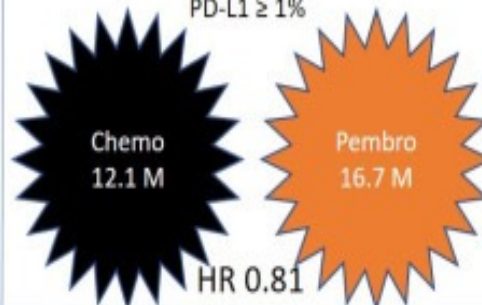
	Pathology	PDL-1	Arm I (OS)	Arm II (OS)	HR
KEYNOTE-024	squamous (18%) and nonsquamous (82%)	≥50%	Pembro	Chemotherapy	
			30 months	14.2 months	0.63
KEYNOTE-042	squamous (38%) and nonsquamous (62%)	≥1%	Pembro	Chemo	
			16.7 months	12.1 months	0.81
KEYNOTE-189	nonsquamous	Any level	Pembro/Pem/Plat	Plat/Pem	
			22 months	10.7 month	0.56
KEYNOTE-407	squamous	Any level	Pembro/Carbo/Tax	Carbo/Taxane	
			15.9 months	11.3 months	0.64
CHECKMATE-227	squamous (28%) and nonsquamous (72%)	Any level ≥1% <1%	Ipi/Nivo	Chemotherapy	
			17.1 months	14.9 months	0.79
			17.2 months	12.2 months	0.62
CHECKMATE 9LA	squamous and nonsquamous	Any level	Ipi/Nivo/Chemo	Plat/Pem or Taxane	
			15.6 months	10.9 months	0.66
IMpower110	squamous (25%) and nonsquamous (75%)	≥50%	Atezo	Plat/Pem or Gem	
			20.2 months	13.1 months	0.59
IMpower130	non-squamous	Any level	Atezo/Carbo/NbT	Carbo/NbT	
			18.6 months	13.9 months	0.79
IMpower150	non-squamous	Any level	Atezo/Bev/Carbo/Pac	Bev/Carbo/Pac	
			19.8 months	14.9 months	0.76



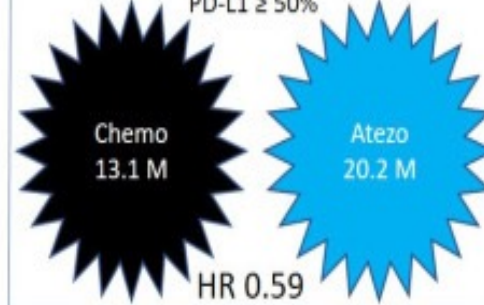
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PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$



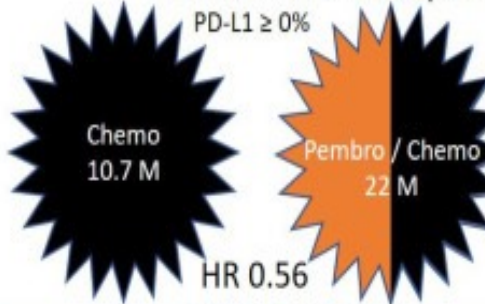
KEYNOTE – 042
PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$



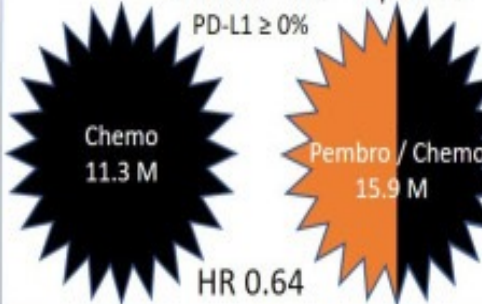
IMpower110
PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$



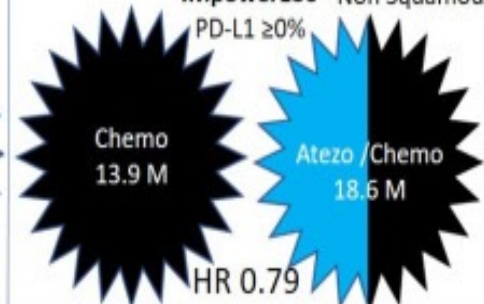
KEYNOTE – 189 - Non Squamous
PD-L1 $\geq 0\%$



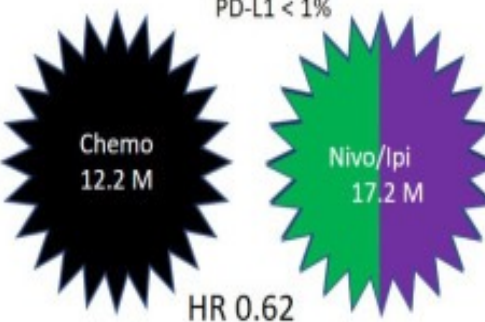
KEYNOTE – 407 - Squamous
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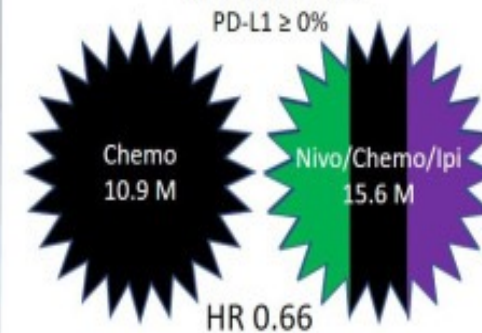
IMpower130 - Non Squamous
PD-L1 $\geq 0\%$



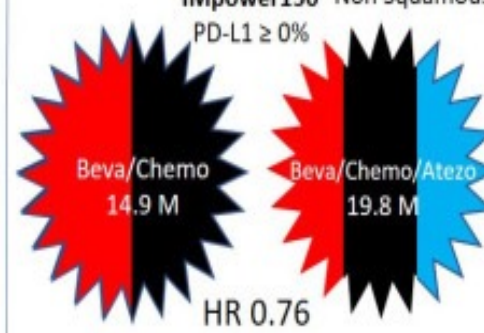
CHECKMATE-227
PD-L1 $< 1\%$



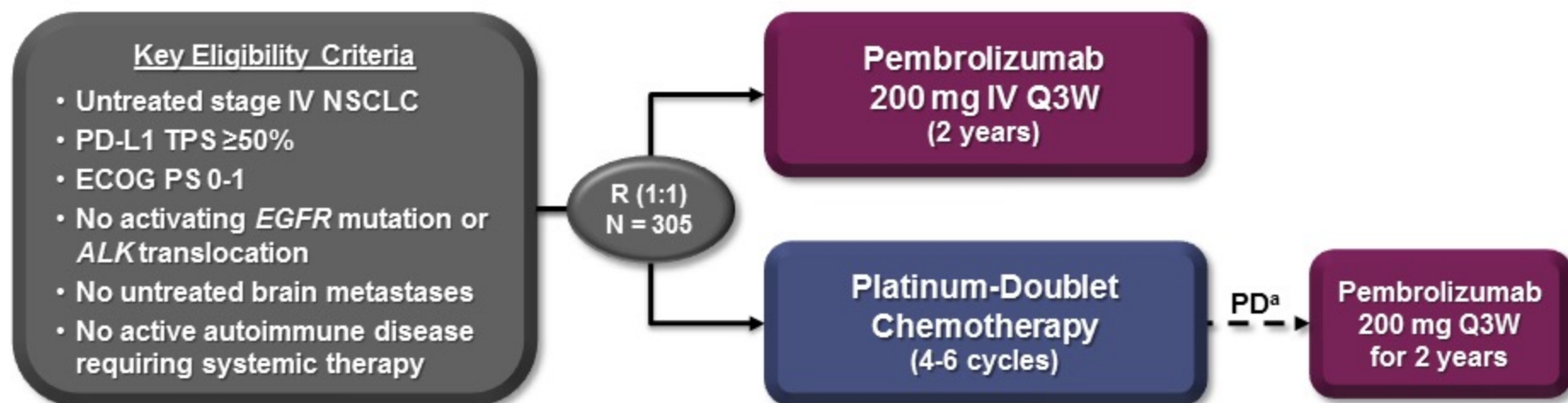
CHECKMATE-9LA
PD-L1 $\geq 0\%$



IMpower150- Non Squamous
PD-L1 $\geq 0\%$



KEYNOTE-024 Study Design (NCT02142738)



Key End Points

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

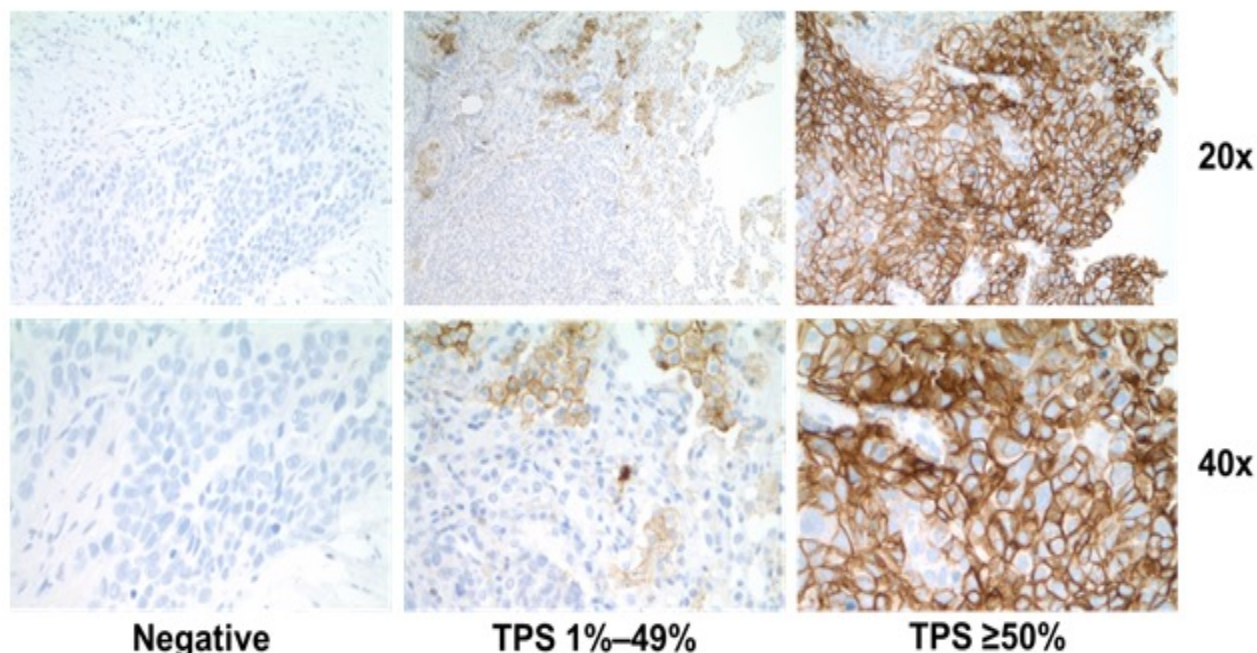
Secondary: OS, ORR, safety

Exploratory: DOR

^aTo 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.

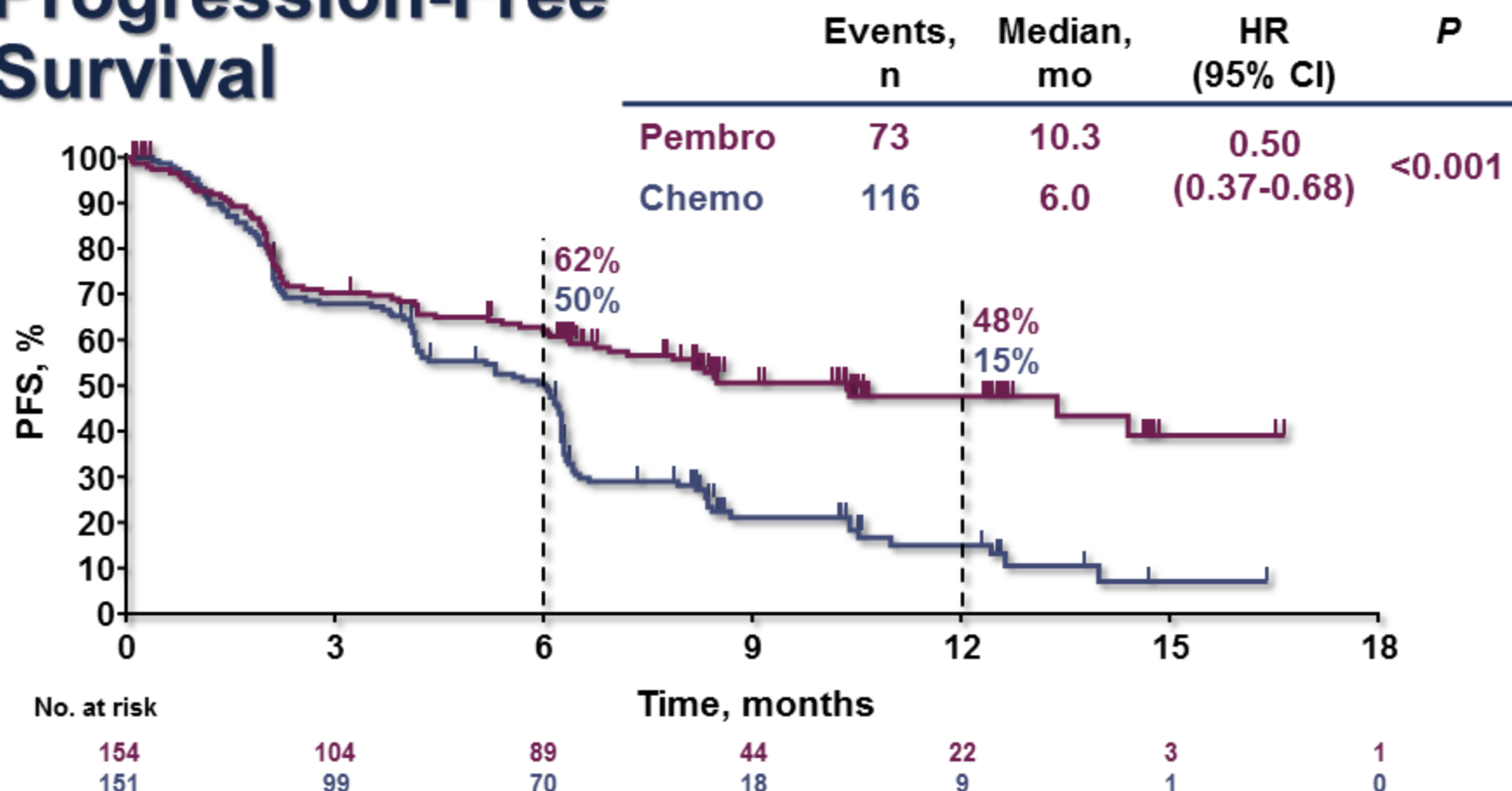
PD-L1 Expression and Pembrolizumab

- PD-L1 TPS cutpoint of 50% was identified in KEYNOTE-001 using independent training and validation sets¹
- FDA-approved and CE-marked companion diagnostic: PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx (Dako)



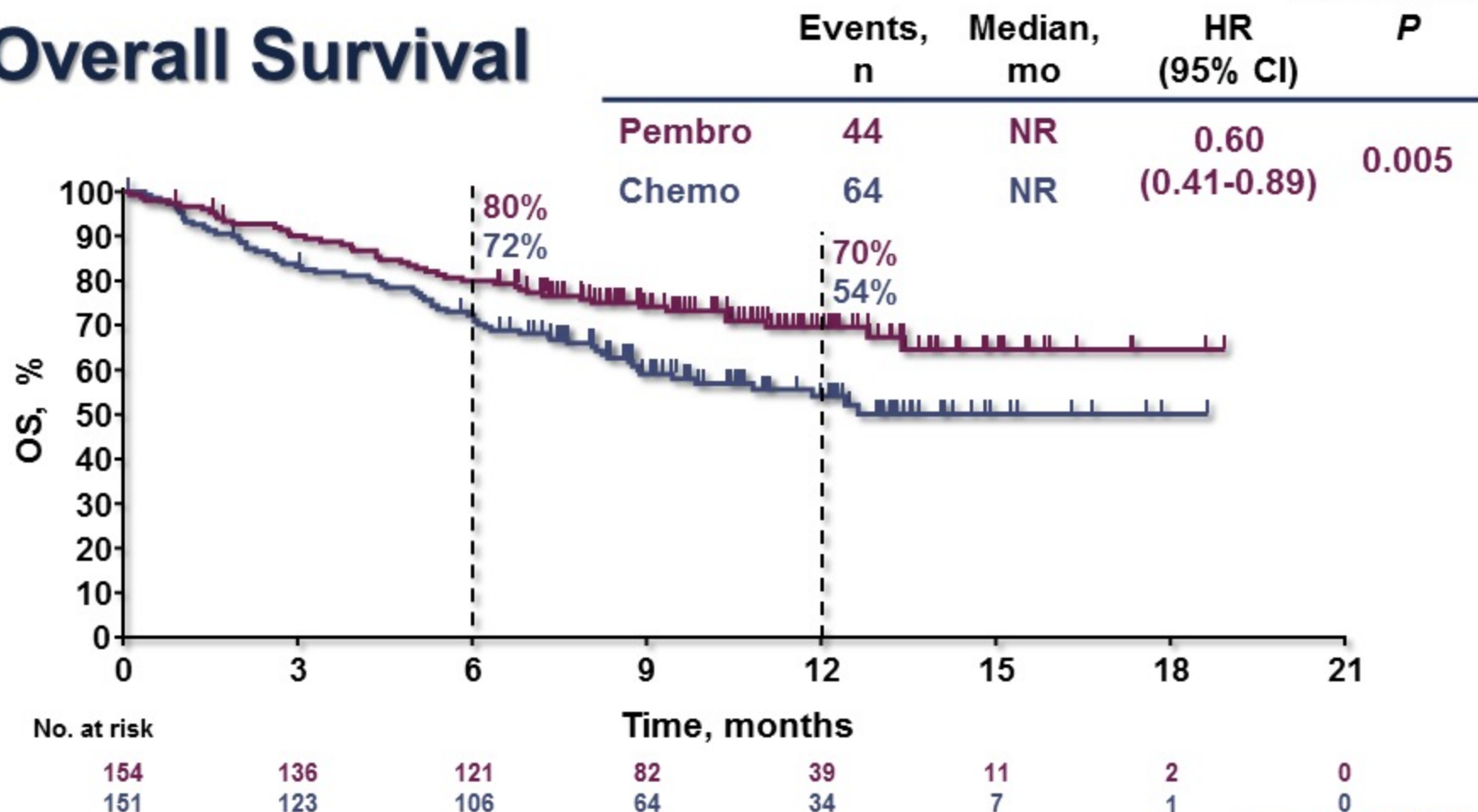
1. Garon EB et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2015;372:2018-2028.
 PD-L1 staining images from Herbst RS et al. *J Clin Oncol*, 2016;34(15_suppl): abstr 3030.

Progression-Free Survival



Assessed per RECIST v1.1 by blinded, independent central review.
Data cut-off: May 9, 2016.

Overall Survival



Data cut-off: May 9, 2016.

KEYNOTE-042 Study Design

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Untreated locally advanced or metastatic NSCLC of any histology
- PD-L1 TPS $\geq 1\%$
- No sensitizing *EGFR* or *ALK* alterations
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- No untreated or unstable CNS metastases
- No history of pneumonitis that required systemic corticosteroids

Stratification Factors

- Region (east Asia vs rest of the world)
- ECOG PS (0 vs 1)
- Histology (squamous vs nonsquamous)
- PD-L1 TPS ($\geq 50\%$ vs 1-49%)

Randomize
1:1

N = 637

Pembrolizumab
200 mg Q3W
for up to 35 cycles

N = 637

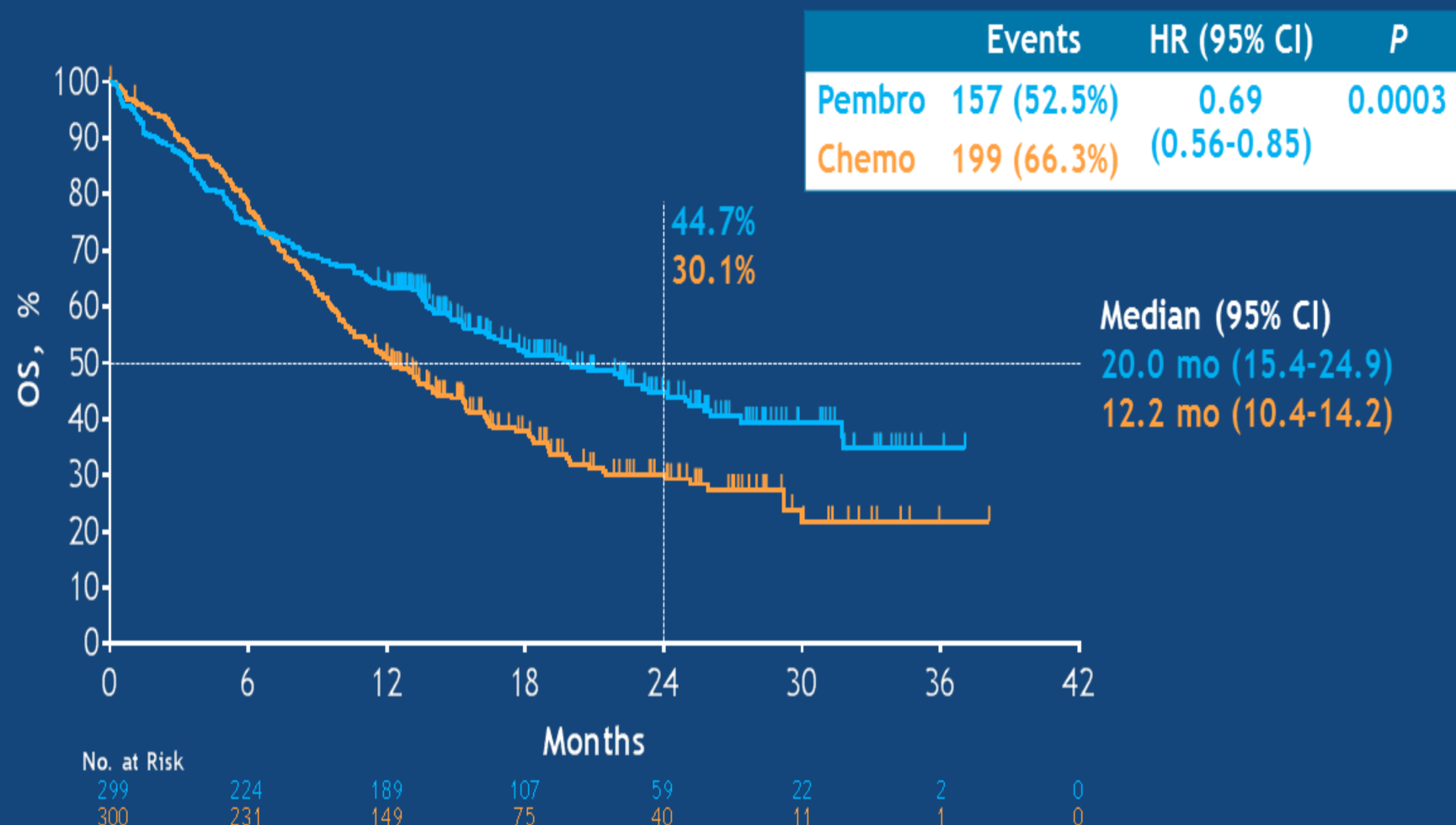
Carboplatin AUC 5 or 6 Q3W +
Paclitaxel 200 mg/m² Q3W^a
OR
Carboplatin AUC 5 or 6 Q3W +
Pemetrexed 500 mg/m² Q3W^a
for up to 6 cycles

End points

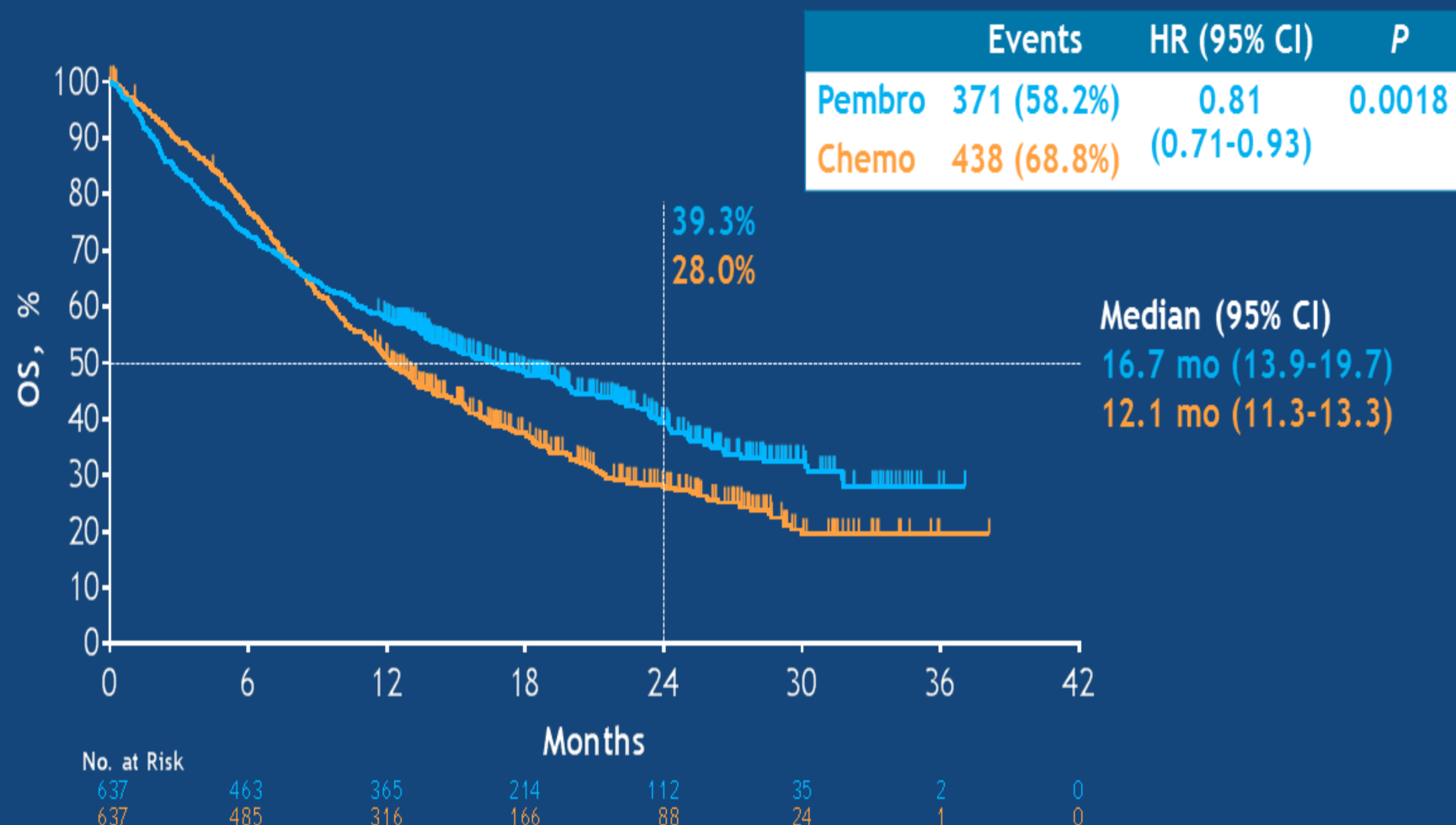
- Primary: OS in PD-L1 TPS $\geq 50\%$, $\geq 20\%$, and $\geq 1\%$
- Secondary: PFS and ORR in TPS $\geq 50\%$, $\geq 20\%$, and $\geq 1\%$; safety in TPS $\geq 1\%$

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

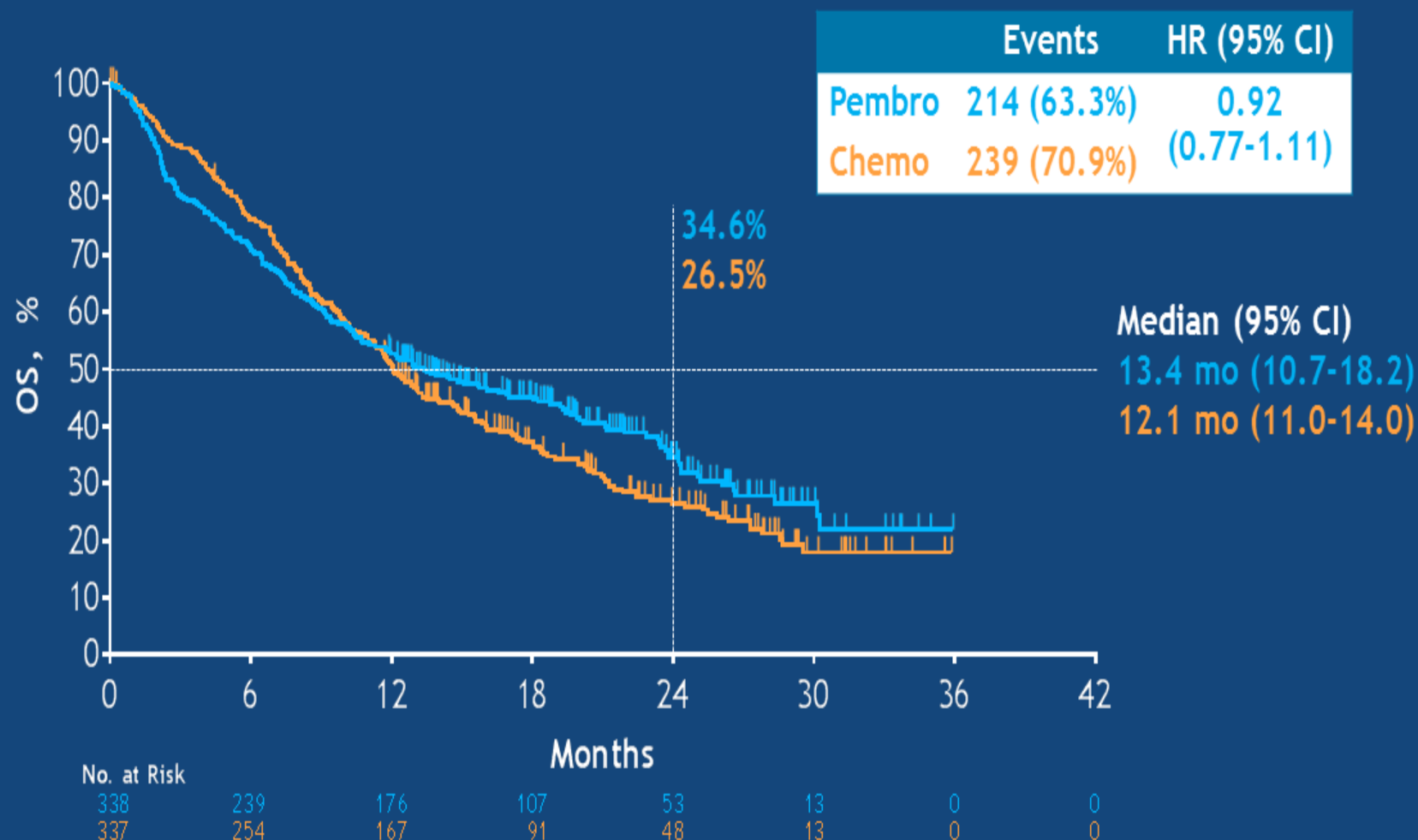
Overall Survival: TPS $\geq 50\%$



Overall Survival: TPS $\geq 1\%$



Overall Survival: TPS ≥ 1 -49% (Exploratory Analysis^a)

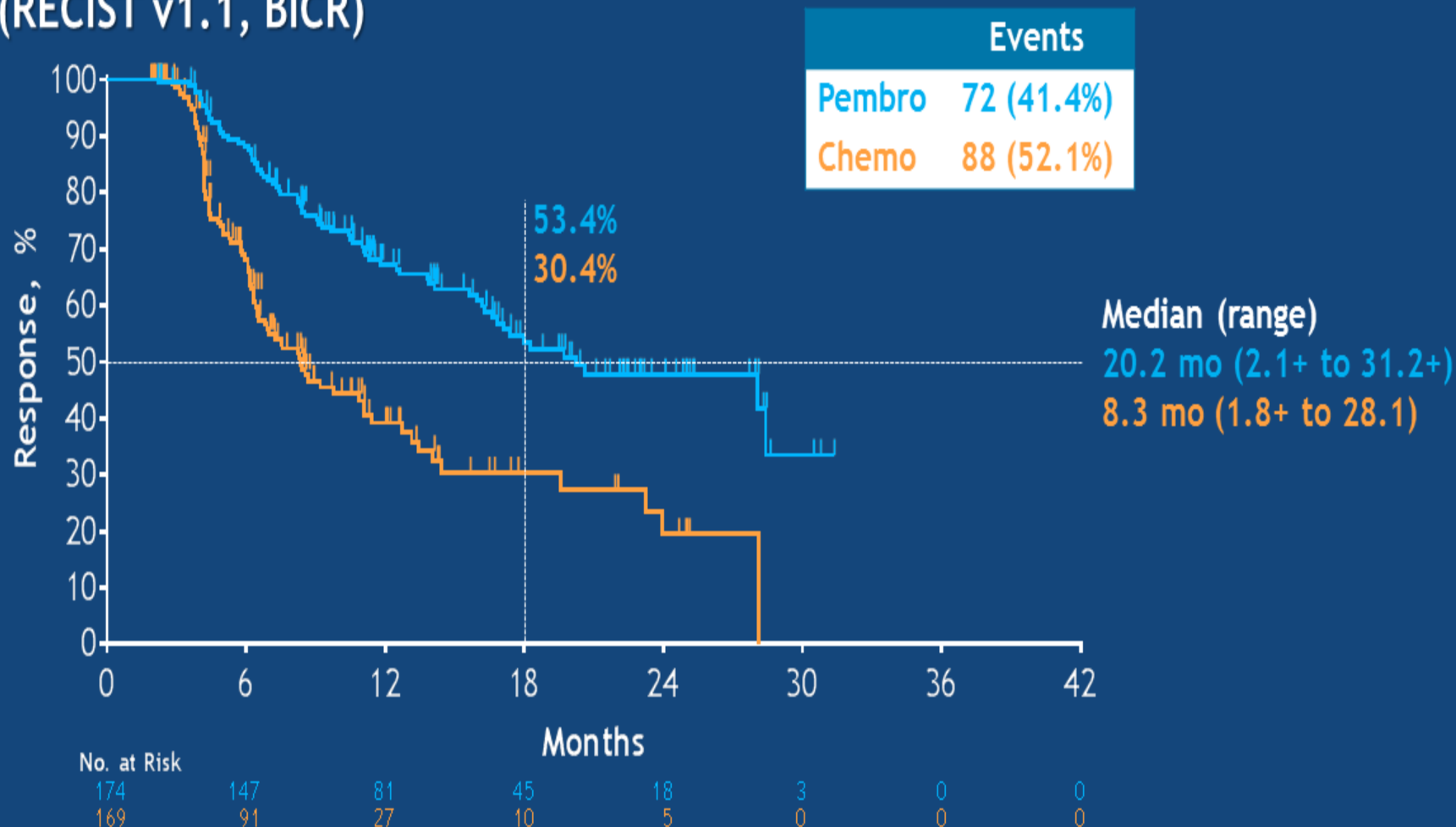


^aNo alpha allocated to this comparison.

Data cutoff date: Feb 26, 2018.

Duration of Response: TPS $\geq 1\%$

(RECIST v1.1, BICR)

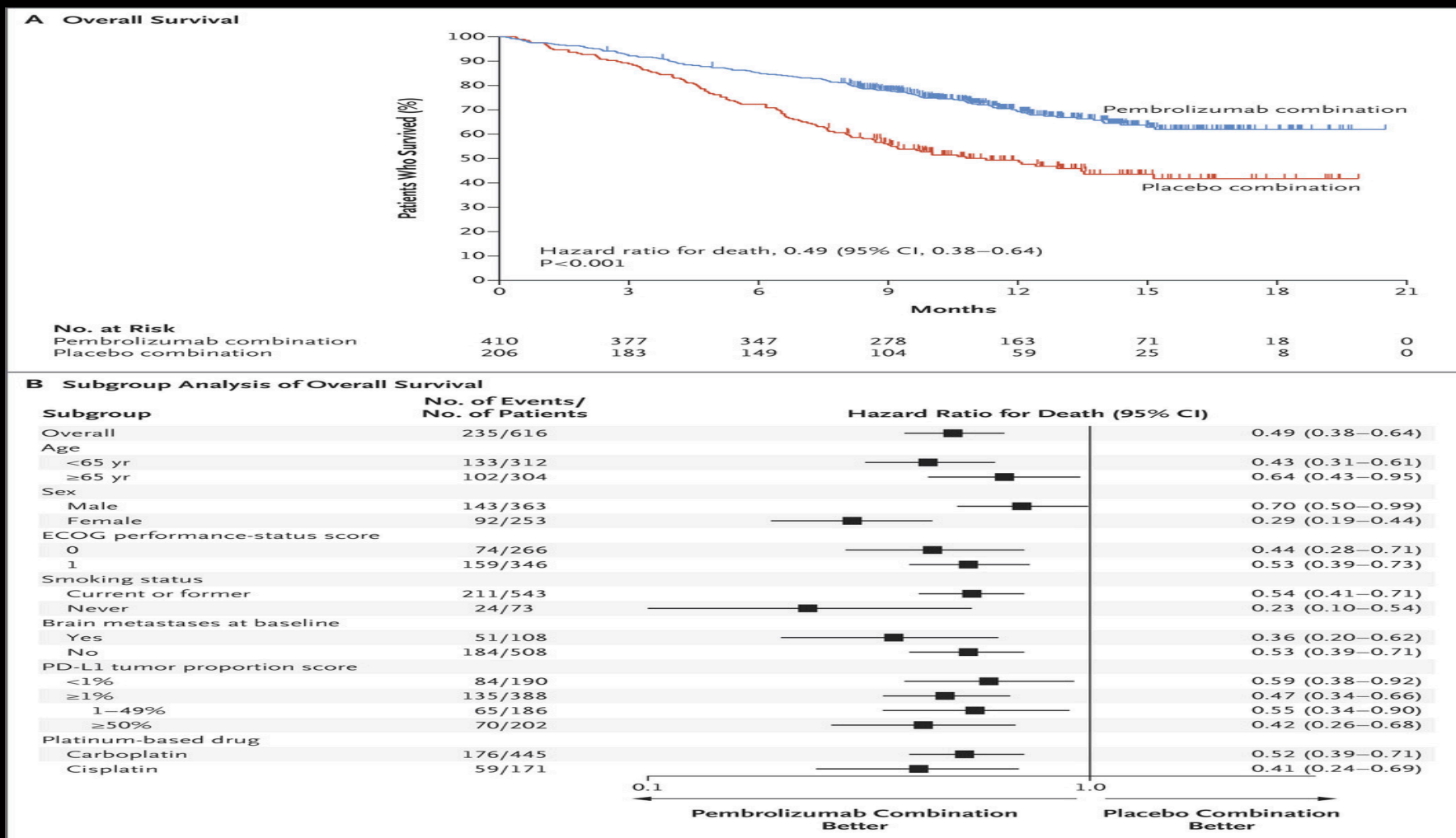


Median DOR for pembro vs chemo: 20.2 mo vs 10.8 mo for TPS $\geq 50\%$, 20.2 mo vs 8.3 mo for TPS $\geq 20\%$, and 17.4 mo vs 8.2 mo for TPS 1-49%.

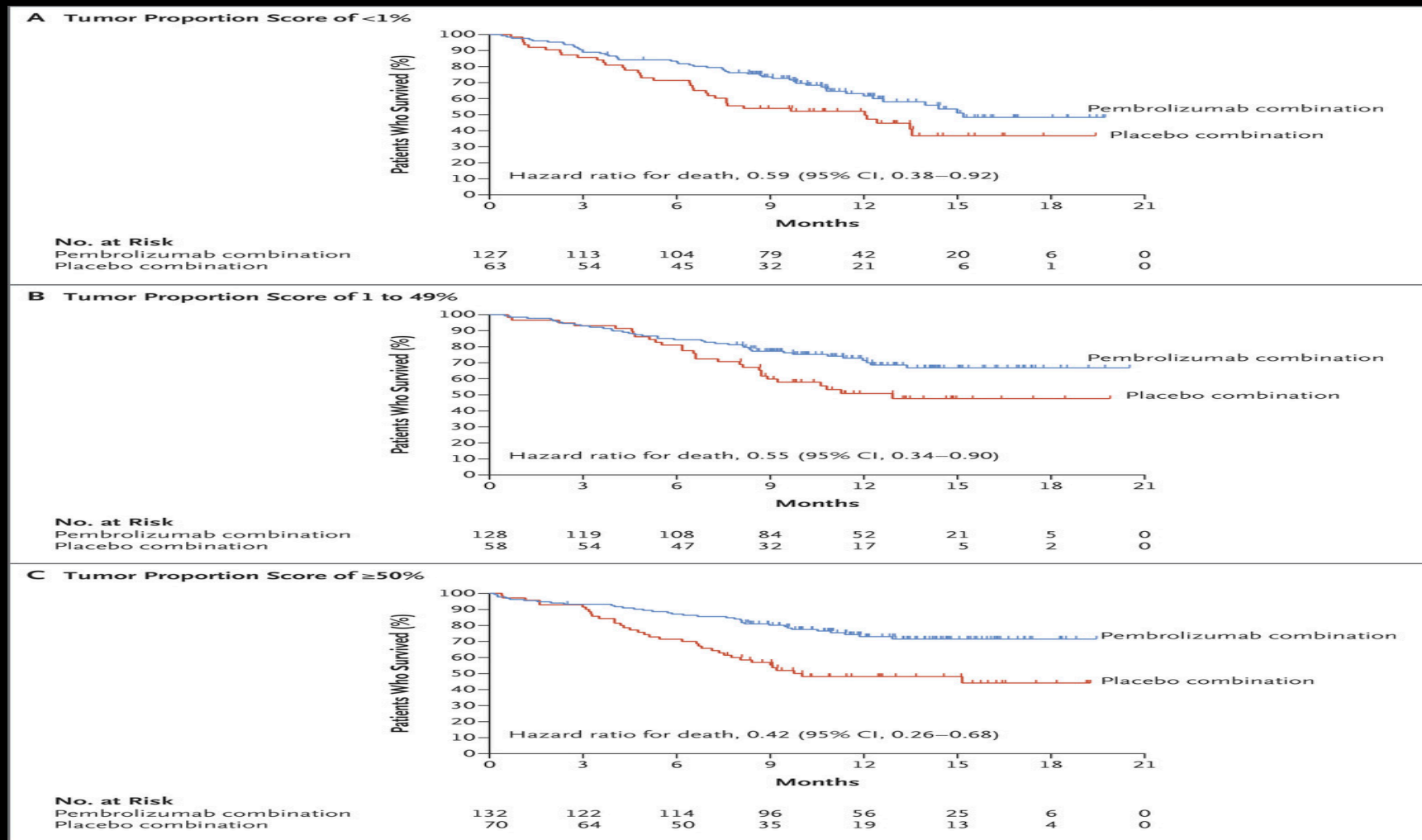
Data cutoff date: Feb 26, 2018.

**Study of Platinum+Pemetrexed
Chemotherapy With or Without
Pembrolizumab (MK-3475) in Participants
With First Line Metastatic Non-squamous
Non-small Cell Lung Cancer (MK-3475-
189/KEYNOTE-189)
NCT02578680**

Overall Survival in the Intention-to-Treat Population.



Overall Survival, According to PD-L1 Tumor Proportion Score.



KEYNOTE-407 Study Design (NCT02775435)

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

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(1:1)

Pembrolizumab 200 mg Q3W +
Carboplatin AUC 6 Q3W +
Paclitaxel 200 mg/m² Q3W OR
nab-Paclitaxel 100 mg/m² Q1W
for 4 cycles (each 3 wk)

Pembrolizumab
200 mg Q3W
for up to 31 cycles

Placebo (normal saline) Q3W +
Carboplatin AUC 6 Q3W +
Paclitaxel 200 mg/m² Q3W OR
nab-Paclitaxel 100 mg/m² Q1W
for 4 cycles (each 3 wk)

Placebo
(normal saline) Q3W
for up to 31 cycles

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)

End points

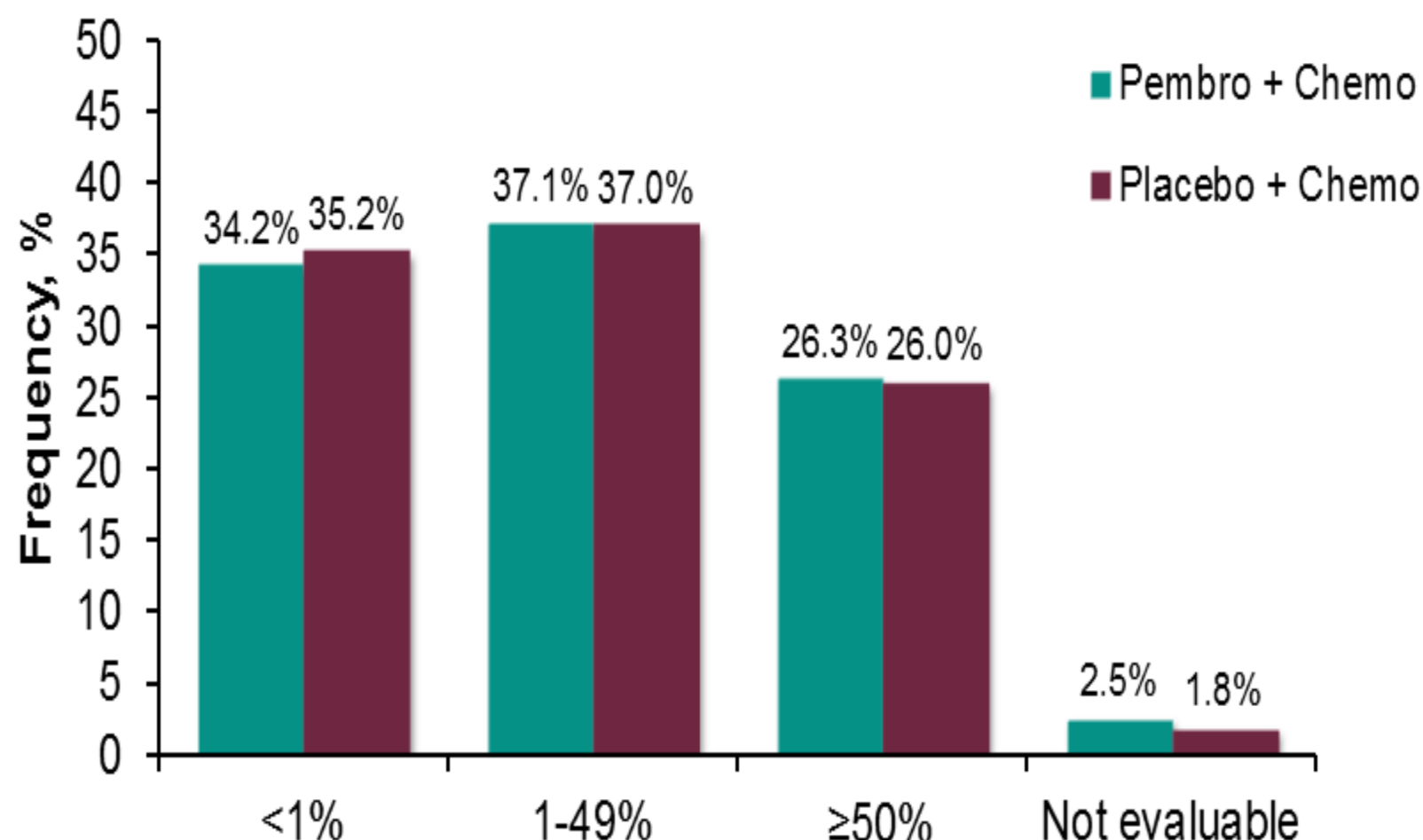
- Primary: PFS (RECIST v1.1, BICR) and OS
- Secondary: ORR and DOR (RECIST v1.1, BICR), safety

Optional Crossover^b

Pembrolizumab
200 mg Q3W
for up to 35 cycles

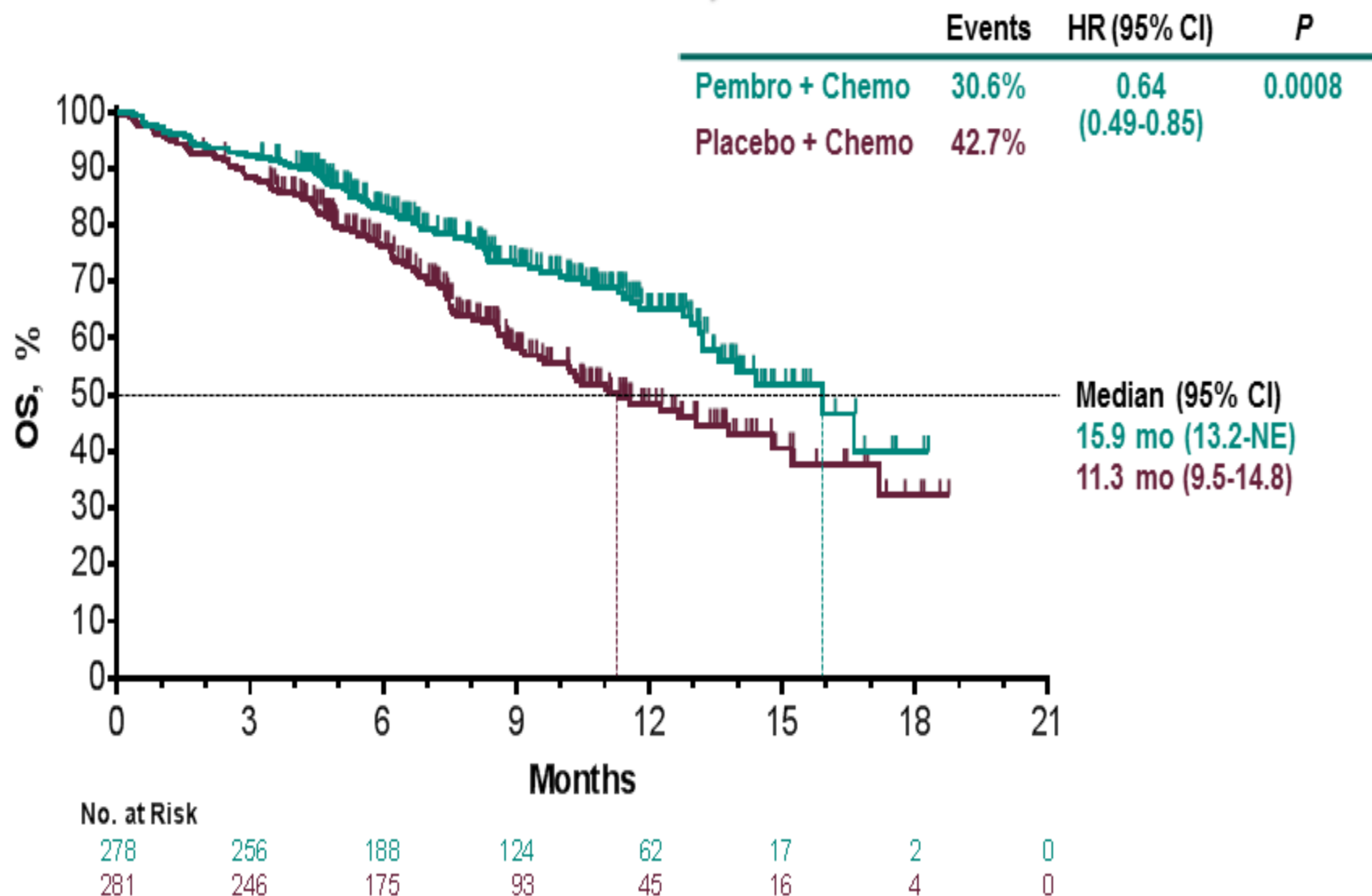
PD^b

Frequency of PD-L1 TPS Categories



Not evaluable refers to specimens with an inadequate number of tumor cells or no tumor cells seen; these patients were included in the PD-L1 TPS <1% group for randomization stratification but excluded from analyses of efficacy by TPS. Data cutoff date: Apr 3, 2018.

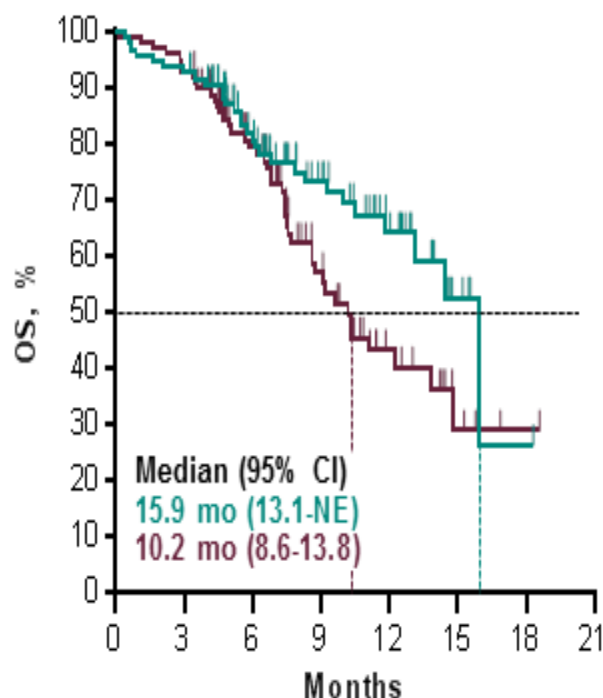
Overall Survival at IA2, ITT



Overall Survival at IA2 by PD-L1 TPS

TPS <1%

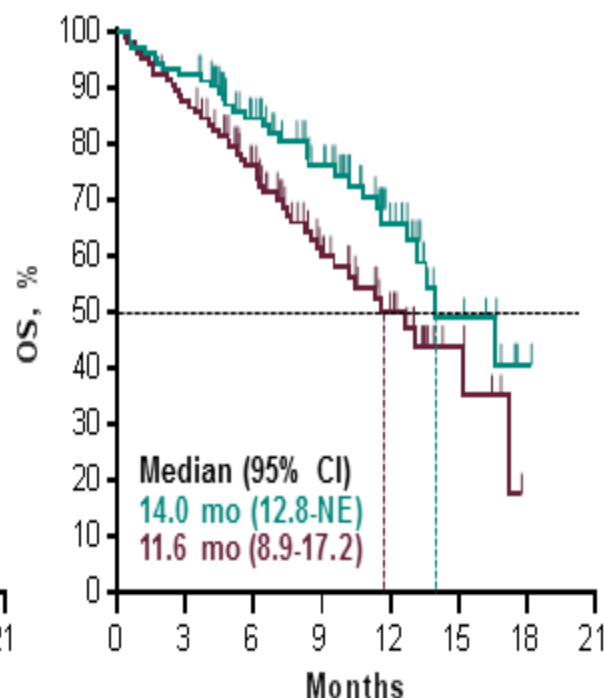
	Events	HR (95% CI)
Pembro + Chemo	30.5%	0.61 (0.38-0.98)
Placebo + Chemo	44.4%	



No. at Risk								
95	88	62	41	20	5	1	0	
99	92	63	32	14	4	1	0	

TPS 1-49%

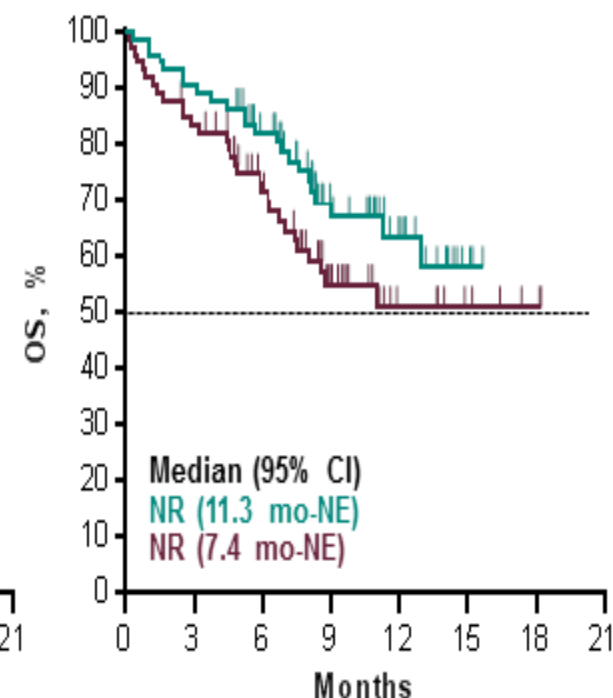
	Events	HR (95% CI)
Pembro + Chemo	30.1%	0.57 (0.36-0.90)
Placebo + Chemo	43.3%	



No. at Risk								
103	95	68	50	25	9	1	0	
104	90	66	37	21	6	0	0	

TPS ≥50%

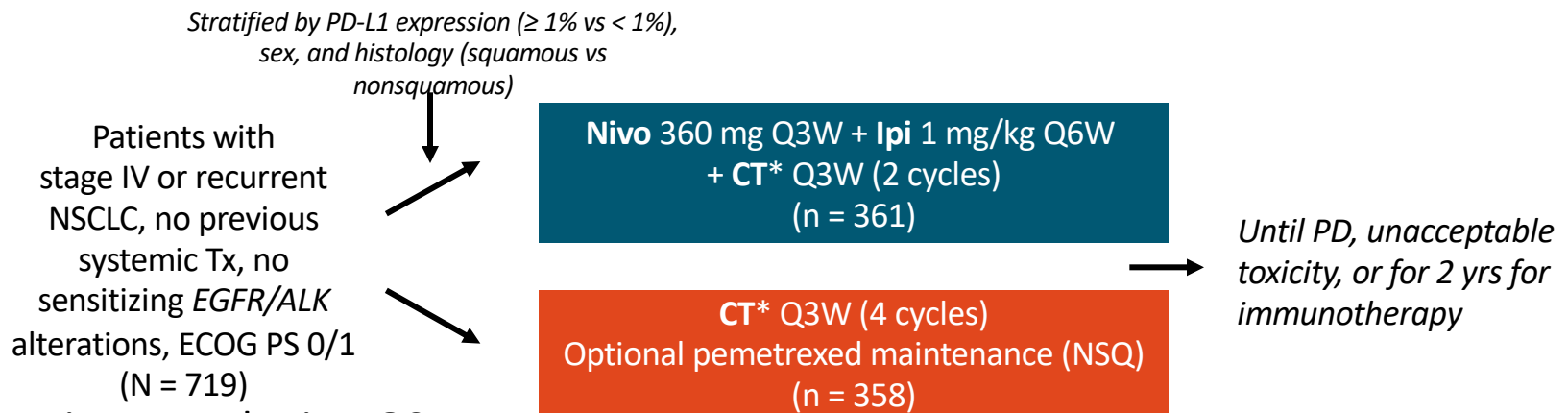
	Events	HR (95% CI)
Pembro + Chemo	31.5%	0.64 (0.37-1.10)
Placebo + Chemo	41.1%	



No. at Risk								
73	66	53	28	15	3	0	0	
73	60	42	21	9	5	2	0	

CheckMate 9LA: Study Design

- Randomized, open-label, phase III study

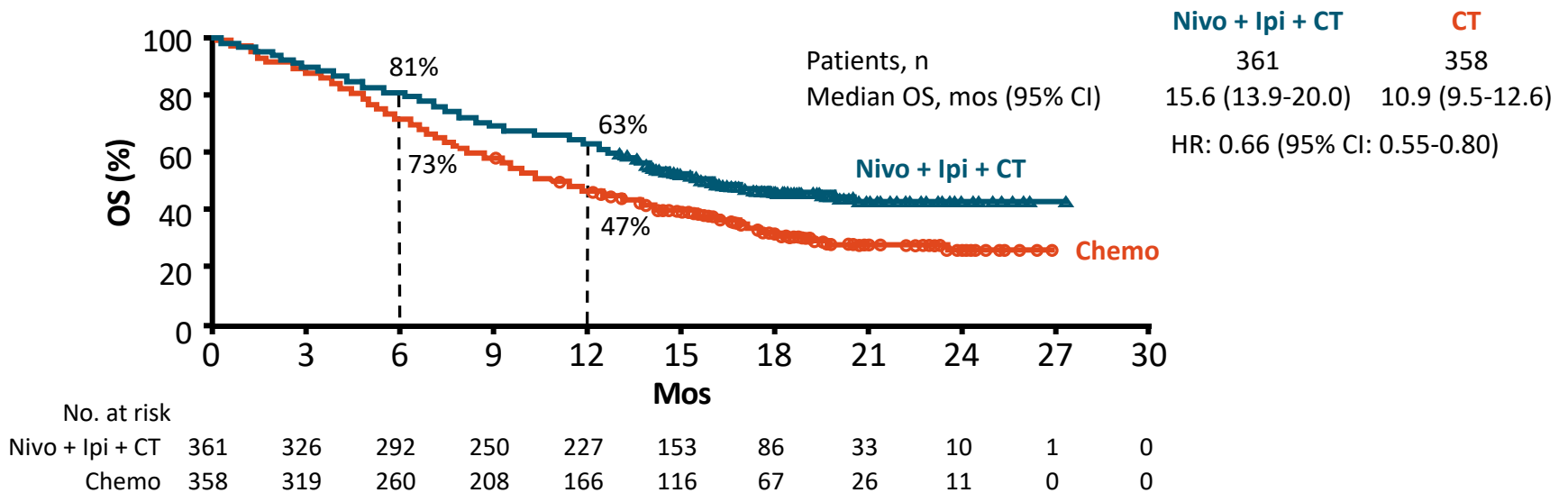


- Primary endpoint: OS
- Secondary endpoints: PFS, ORR, efficacy by tumor PD-L1 expression

*Pts with NSQ: pemetrexed + cisplatin or carboplatin; pts with SQ: paclitaxel + carboplatin.

CheckMate 9LA: Interim and Updated OS Results

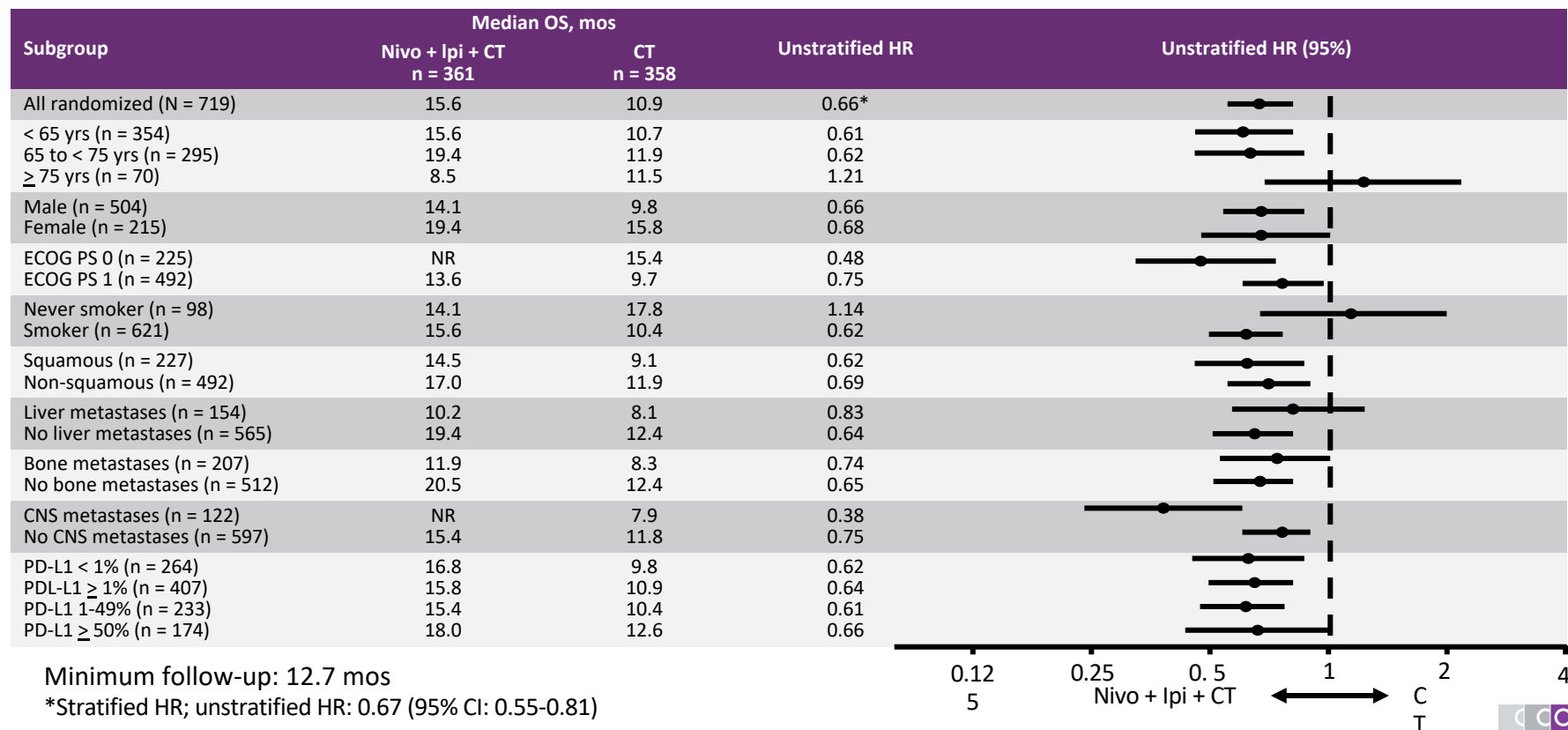
- Interim analysis (minimum FU 8.1 mos) median OS, Nivo + Ipi + CT vs CT: 14.1 vs 10.7 mos; HR: 0.69 (95% CI: 0.55-0.87); $P = .0006$; met primary endpoint
- Updated results (minimum FU 12.7 mos)



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CheckMate 9LA: OS Subgroup Analysis



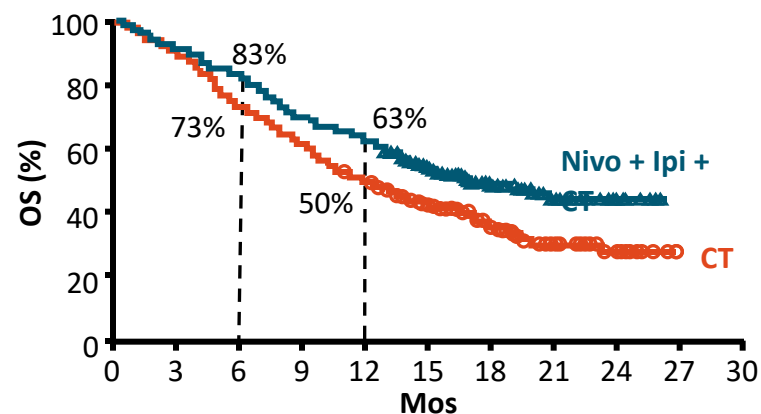
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CheckMate 9LA: OS By Histology

NSQ NSCLC

	Nivo + Ipi + CT	CT
Patients, n	246	246
Median OS, mos (95% CI)	17.0 (14.0-NR)	11.9 (9.9-14.1)
HR: 0.69 (95% CI: 0.55-0.87)		

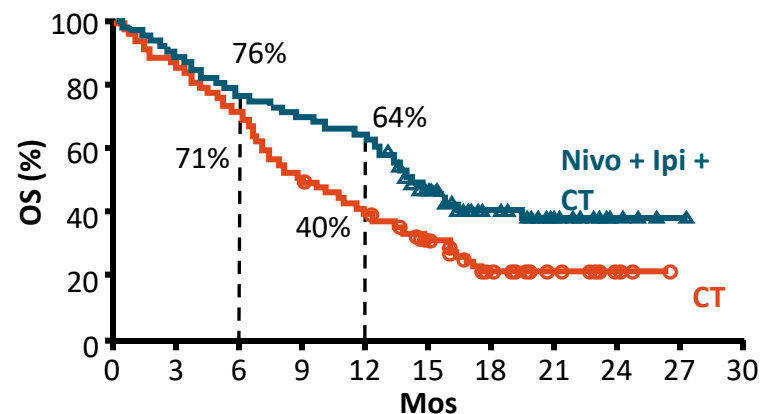


No. at risk

Nivo + Ipi + CT	246	224	204	170	154	107	62	20	6	0	0
CT	246	223	180	152	122	87	53	18	9	0	0

SQ NSCLC

	Nivo + Ipi + CT	CT
Patients, n	115	112
Median OS, mos (95% CI)	14.5 (13.1-19.4)	9.1 (7.2-11.6)
HR: 0.62 (95% CI: 0.55-0.88)		



No. at risk

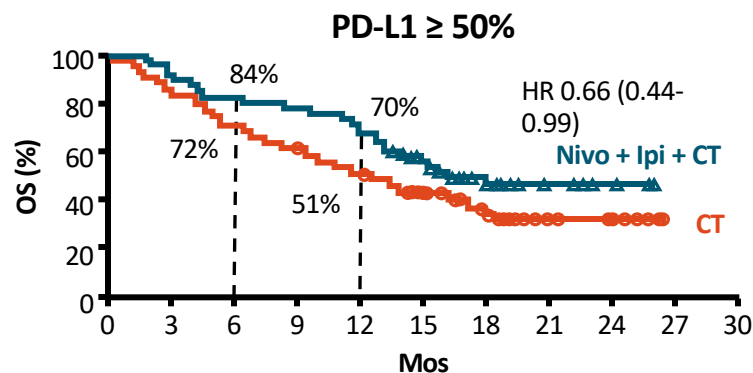
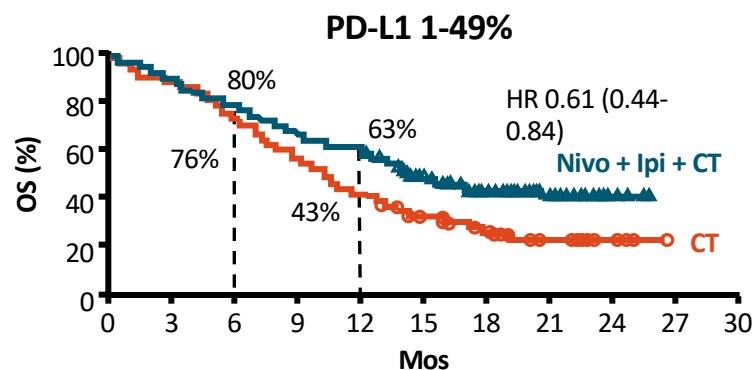
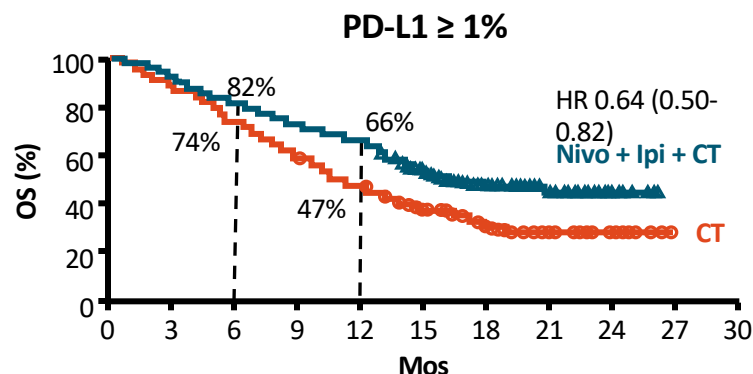
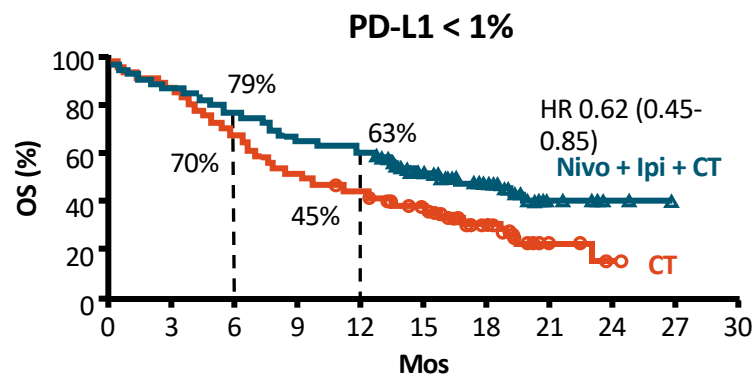
Nivo + Ipi + CT	115	102	88	80	73	46	24	13	4	1	0
CT	112	96	80	56	44	29	14	8	2	0	0

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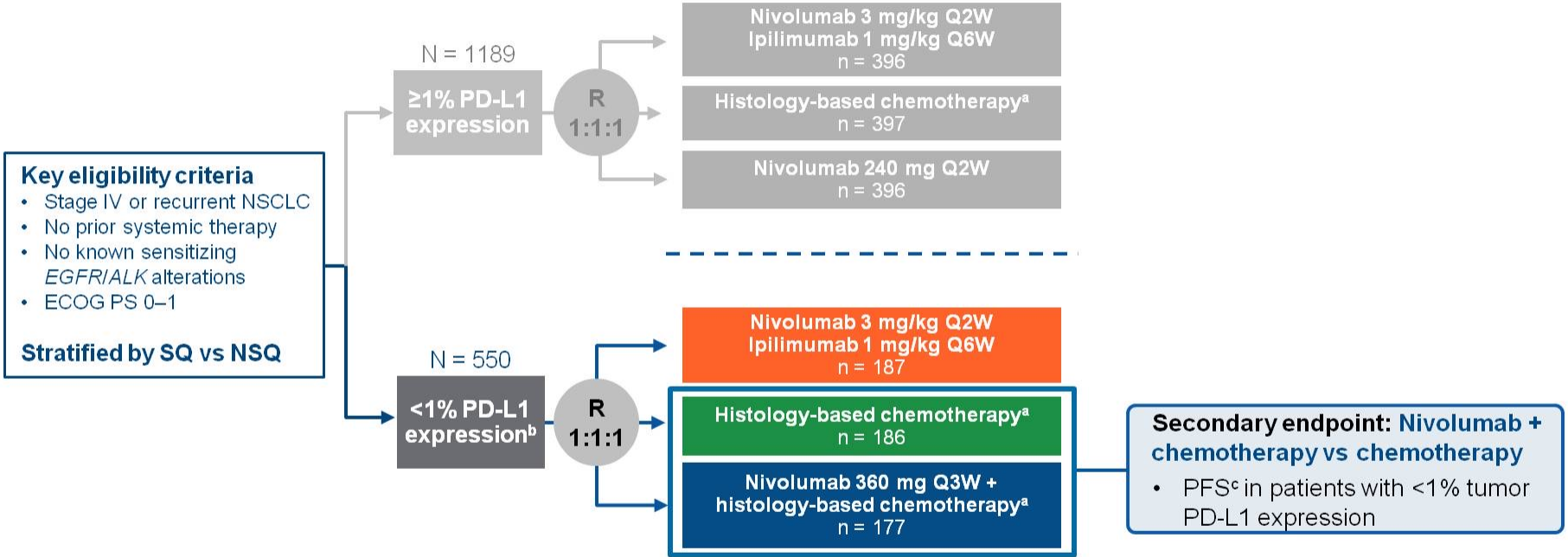
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CheckMate 9LA: OS By PD-L1 Expression



CheckMate 227 Part 1 Study Design

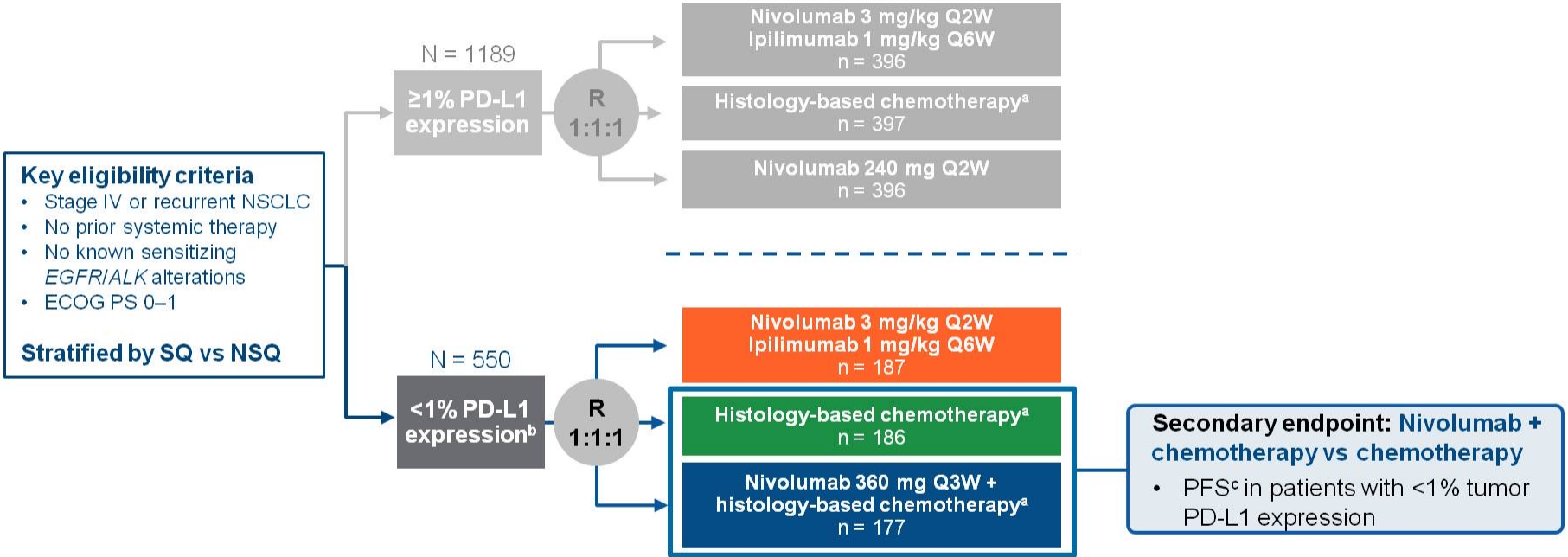


- Co-primary endpoints: OS in PD-L1–selected populations and PFS^c in TMB-selected populations treated with nivolumab + ipilimumab vs chemotherapy

Database lock: January 24, 2018; minimum follow-up: 11.2 months

^aNSQ: pemetrexed + cisplatin or carboplatin, Q3W for ≤4 cycles, with optional pemetrexed maintenance following chemotherapy or nivolumab + pemetrexed maintenance following nivolumab + chemotherapy; ^bSQ: gemcitabine + cisplatin, or gemcitabine + carboplatin, Q3W for ≤4 cycles; ^cOne patient was randomized with <1% tumor PD-L1 expression in IVRS, but was subsequently found to have ≥1% tumor PD-L1 expression; ^cPer BICR

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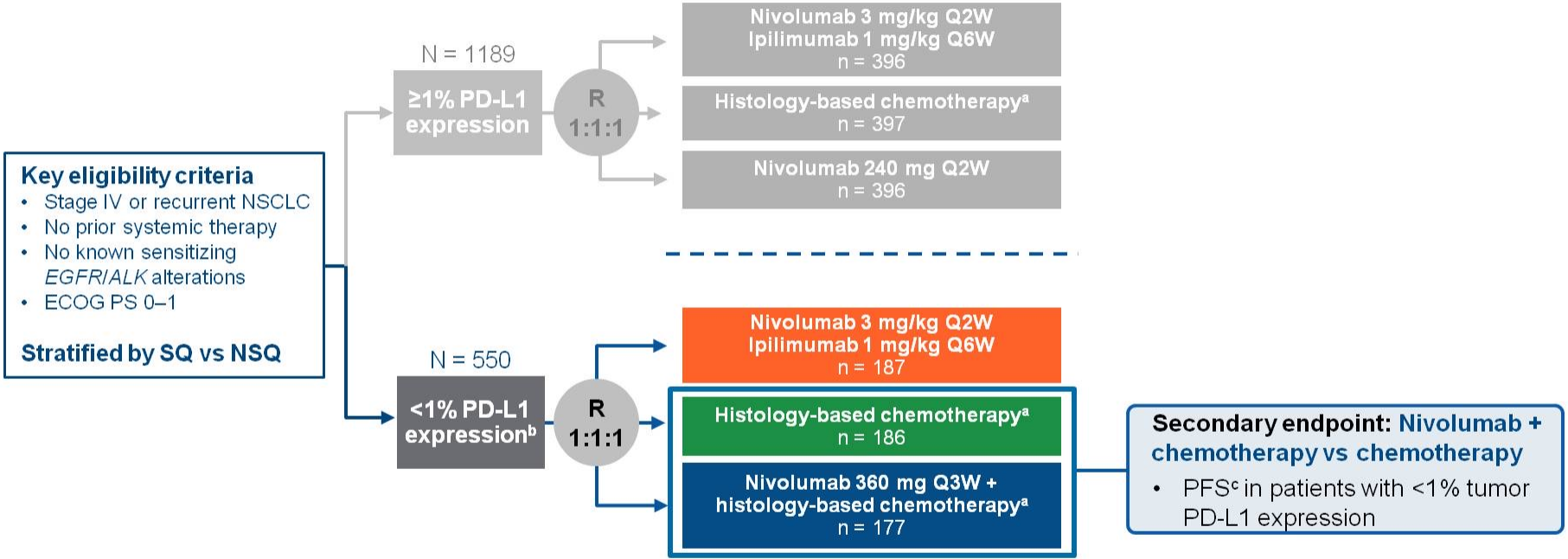


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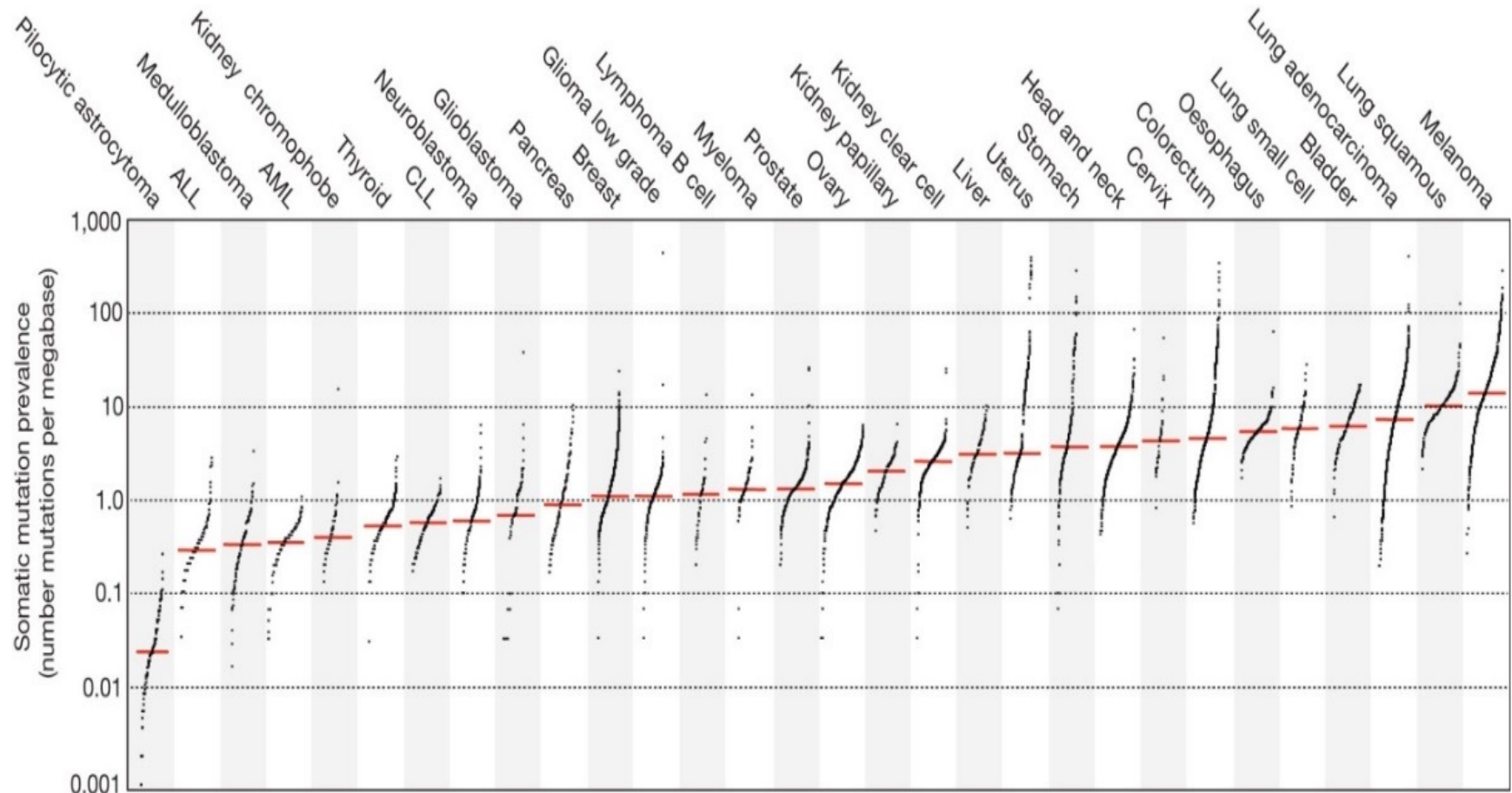
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Mutational Load and Correlation with NSCLC Histology

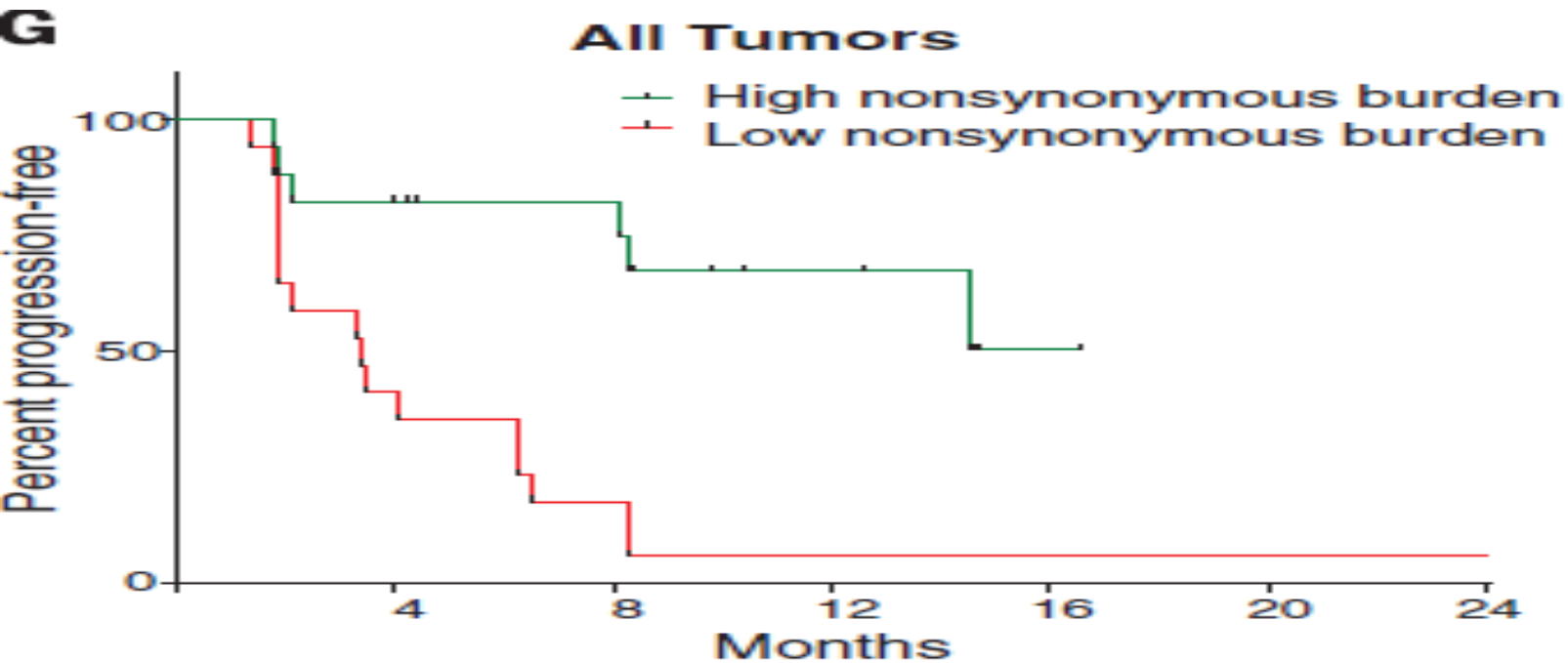


Alexandrov, Nature 2013

Heavy Mutational Load Associated with Better Outcomes to Immuno-Oncology Agents

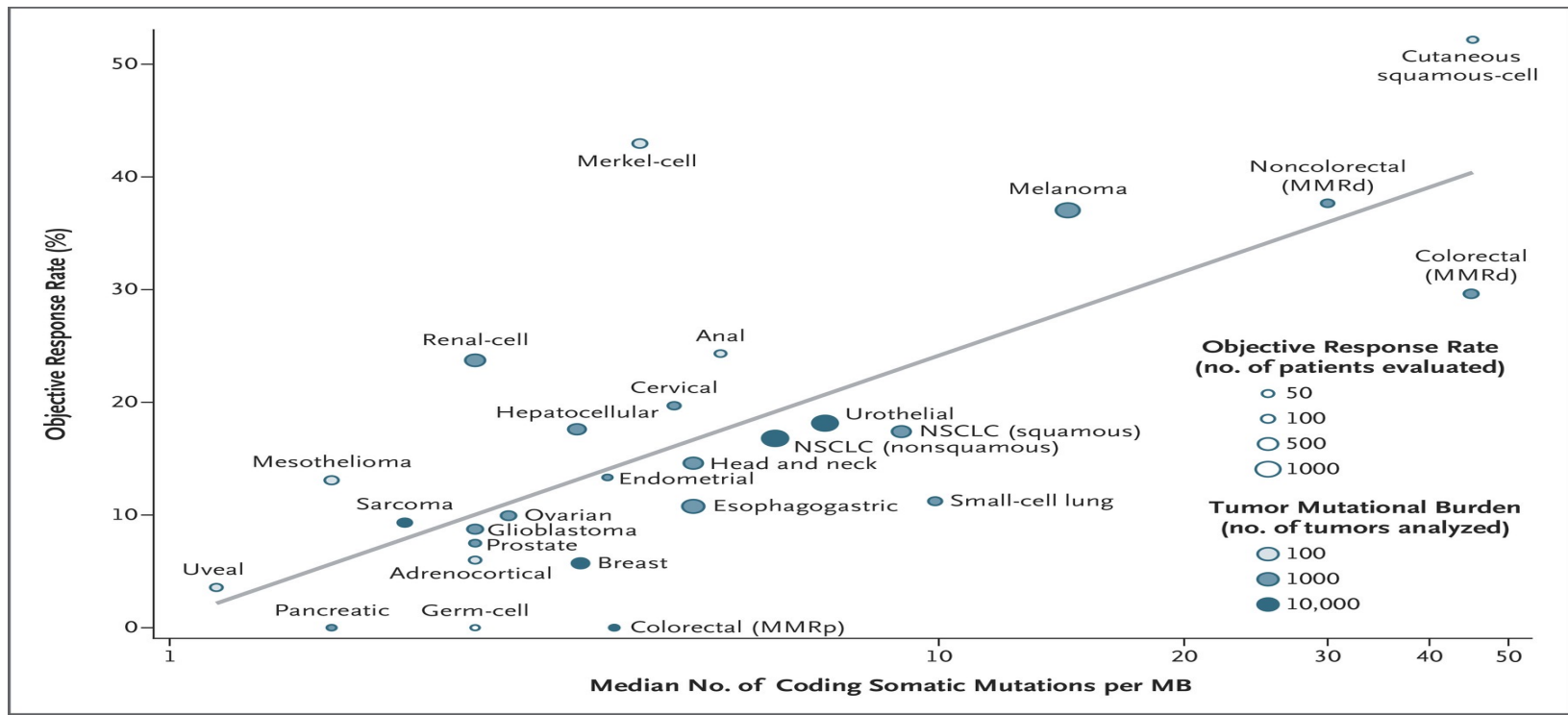


Outcomes with pembrolizumab



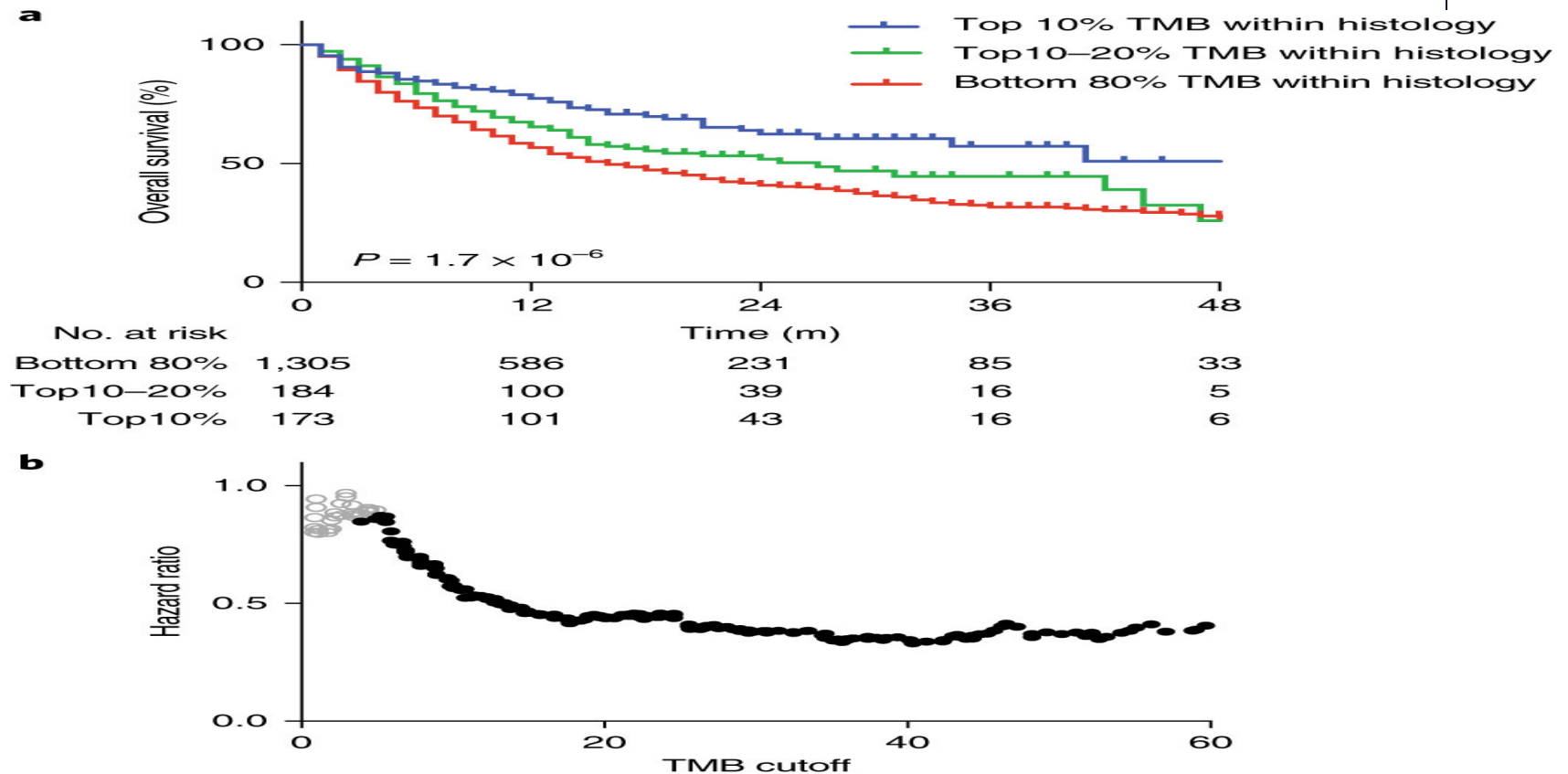
Rizvi, Science 2015

Response Rate by Tumor Type & TMB





Effect of mutational load on overall survival after ICI treatment.



FDA Approval Summary: Pembrolizumab for the Treatment of Tumor Mutational Burden–High Solid Tumors



The FDA approved pembrolizumab on June 16, 2020, for the treatment of adult and pediatric patients with unresectable or metastatic tumor mutational burden-high [TMB-H; ≥ 10 mutations/megabase (mut/Mb)] solid tumors, as determined by an FDA-approved test, that have progressed following prior treatment and who have no satisfactory alternative treatment options. FDA granted the approval based on a clinically important overall response rate (29%; 95% confidence interval, 21-39) and duration of response (57% of responses lasting ≥ 12 months) in the subset of patients with TMB-H solid tumors ($n = 102$) spanning nine different tumor types enrolled in a multicenter single-arm trial (KEYNOTE-158). The efficacy of pembrolizumab was supported by the results of whole-exome sequencing (WES) analyses of TMB in additional patients enrolled across multiple pembrolizumab clinical trials, and a scientific understanding of the effects of PD-1 inhibition. Overall, the adverse event profile of pembrolizumab was similar to the adverse event profile observed in prior trials that supported the approval of pembrolizumab in other indications. This approval of pembrolizumab is the first time that the FDA has approved a cancer treatment for an indication based on TMB, and the fourth based on the presence of a biomarker rather than the primary site of origin

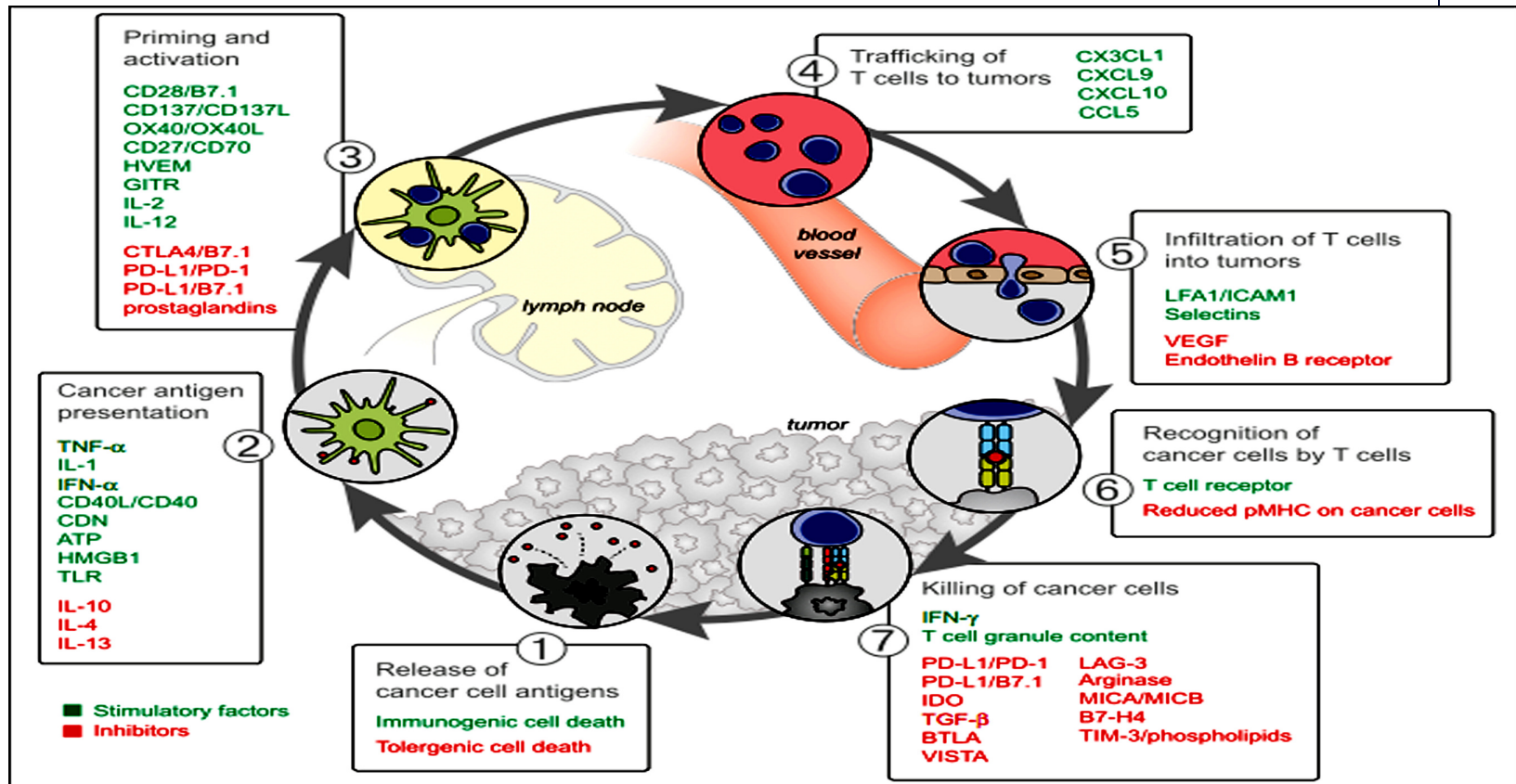
Incidence of MSI High in various tumors.



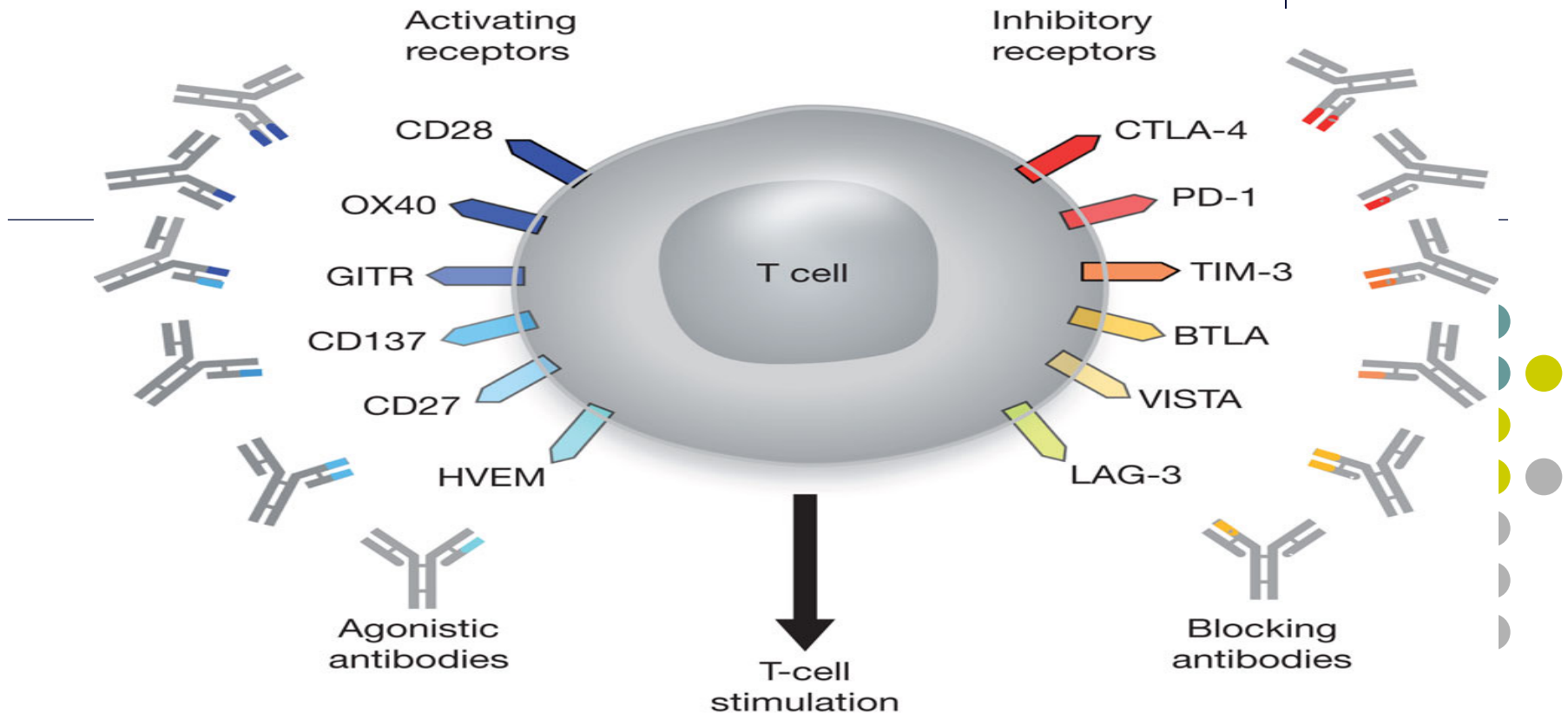
Cancer	Match	Foundation	Caris
Gastroesophageal	7/142 (4.9%)	6/400 (1.5%)	
Esophageal SCC	1/19 (5.3%)		
Gastric/GEJ Adenoca	4/79 (5.1%)		6/91 (6.2%)*
Esophageal Adenoca	2/44 (4.5%)		9/91 (0%)**
CRC	20/723 (2.8%)	42/1185 (3.5%)	38/888 (4.1%)
Rectal Adenoca	1/205 (0.5%)		
Colon Adenoca	19/518 (3.7%)		
Small bowel Adenoca	1/27 (3.7%)	6/70 (8.6%)	1/35 (2.8%***)
Pancreatic Adenoca	1/267 (0.4%)	1/459 (0.2%)	7/316 (2.2%)
Uterine	34/237 (14.3%)	39/277 (14.1%)	62/365 (14.5%)
Prostate	7/122 (5.7%)	11/178 (6.2%)	3/128 (2.3%)
Breast	8/566 (1.4%)	2/1459 (0.1%)	2/705 (0.3%)
NSCLC	2/244 (0.8%)	5/2112 (0.2%)	9/1042 (0.9%)
SCLC	2/65 (3.1%)		1/52 (0.9%)
Hepatobiliary	4/166 (2.4%)	9/389 (2.3%)	
Gallbladder	1/37 (2.7%)		
Cholangiocarcinoma	3/129 (2.3%)		3/89 (3.3%)
HCC			0/30 (0%)
GBM	1/47 (2.1%)		2/431 (0.5%)
Neuroendocrine NOS	1/99 (1%)	1/431 (0.2%)	3/124 (2.4%)
Panc Neuroendocrine	2/28 (7.1%)		
CUP		22/815 (2.7%)	6/421 (1.4%)



The the anti-tumor immune response



T cell targets for immunoregulatory antibody therapy





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Treatment Algorithm (as of 04/2022)



NSCLC	PDL1 \geq 50%	PDL1 - 1-49%	PDL1 <1%	Studies
Non-Squamous	*Pembrolizumab	*Plat/Pem/Pembro	*Plat/Pem/Pembro	KN-24
	*Atezolizumab	Plat/NbT/Atezo	Plat/NbT/Atezo	KN-42
	*Cemiplimab	Plat/Pac/Bev/Atezo	Plat/Pac/Bev/Atezo	IMPower-110
	*Plat/Pem/Pembro	Carbo/Pac/Ipi/Nivo	Carbo/Pac/Ipi/Nivo	EMPower-1
	Plat/NbT/Atezo or		*Ipi/Nivo (if TMB >10 Muts/Mb)	KN-189
	Carbo/Pac/Ipi/Nivo			IMPower-130 CK9LA CK227
Squamous	*Pembrolizumab	*Plat/Pac/Pembro	*Plat/Pac/Pembro	KN-24
	*Atezolizumab	*Plat/NbT/Atezo	*Plat/NbT/Atezo	KN-42
	*Cemiplimab	*Carbo/Pac/Ipi/Nivo	Carbo/Pac/Ipi/Nivo	IMPower-110
		Pembro	*Ipi/Nivo (if TMB >10 Muts/Mb)	EMPower-1 KN-407
				IMPower130 CK9LA CK227



Conclusions

1. Lung cancer mortality has dropped by approximately 30% since the 1990s
2. Improvement in therapeutic modalities are one of the reasons for this decrease in mortality
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4. The advent of Immunotherapy had had a dramatic impact in the lung cancer therapeutic landscape
5. The search for an optimal biomarker to better predict benefit and/or toxicity from immunotherapy continues
6. Development of novel checkpoint inhibitors and novel combinations are an area of active investigation



Thank YOU!

Gracias!

