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Adjuvant and NeoAdjuvant Novel Concepts and Strategies in NSCLC

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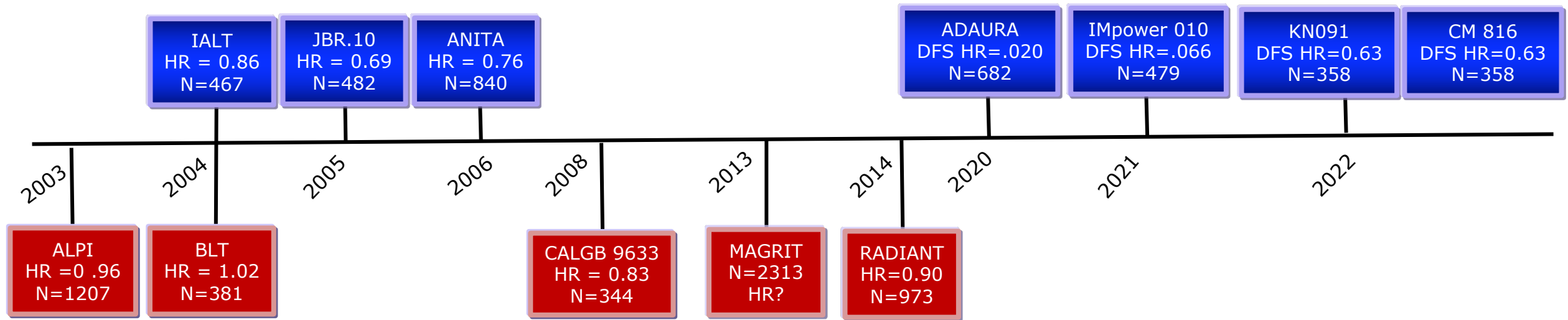
Outline

- Review the current data for the role of adjuvant and neoadjuvant systemic therapies in early-stage non-small cell lung cancer.
- Highlight relevant pending clinical trials.
- Discuss future neoadjuvant and adjuvant strategies.



Major Systemic Treatment Advances in Early-Stage NSCLC

Phase III Trials

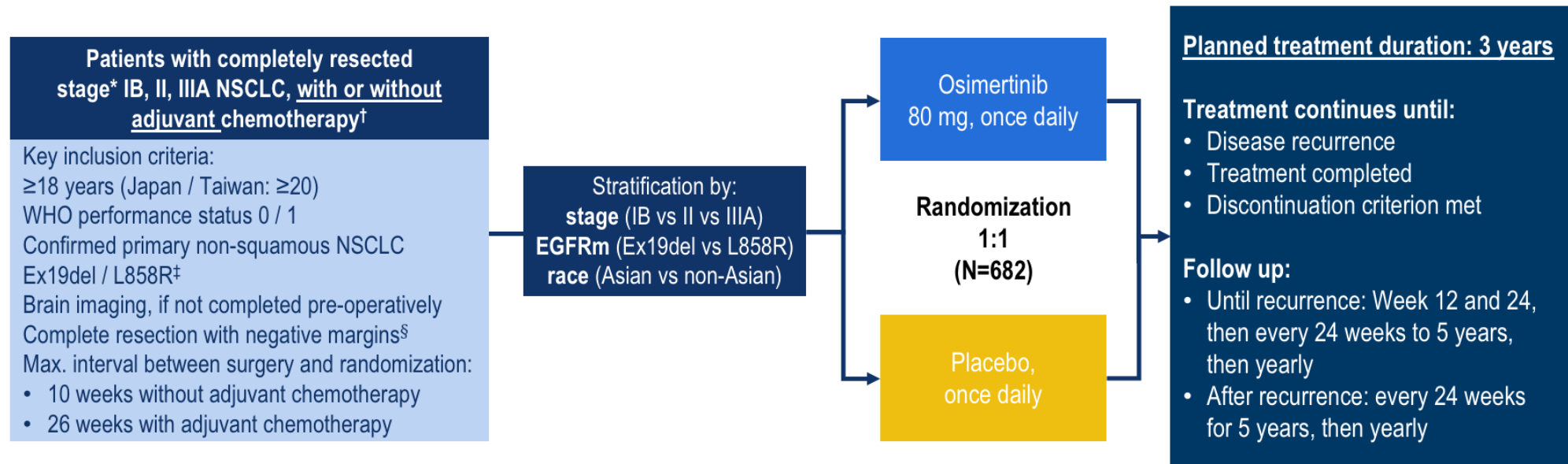


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Leading the way:

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ADAURA Phase III double-blind study design



Endpoints

- **Primary:** DFS, by investigator assessment, in stage II/IIIA patients; designed for superiority under the assumed DFS HR of 0.70
- **Secondary:** DFS in the overall population¶, DFS at 2, 3, 4, and 5 years, OS, safety, health-related quality of life

- **Following IDMC recommendation, the study was unblinded early due to efficacy; here we report an unplanned interim analysis**
- **At the time of unblinding the study had completed enrollment and all patients were followed up for at least 1 year**

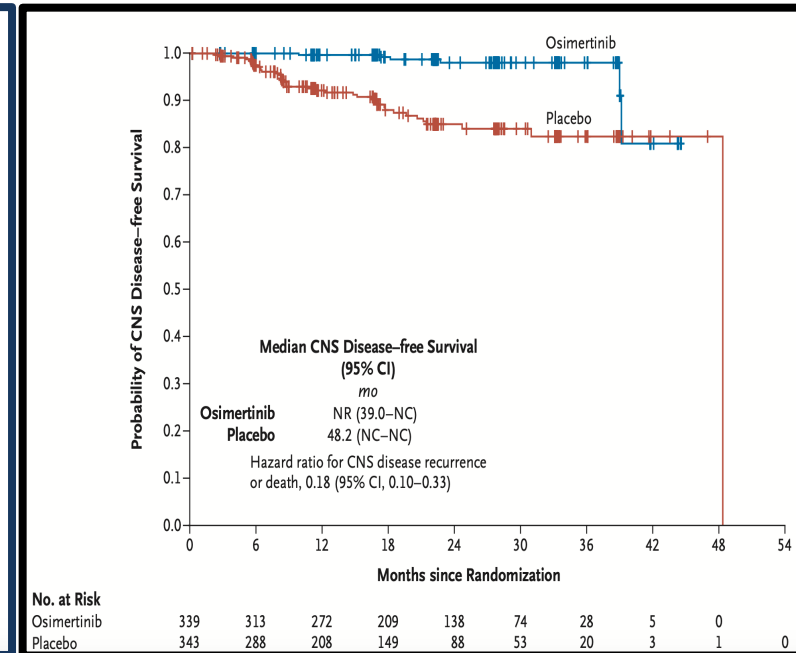
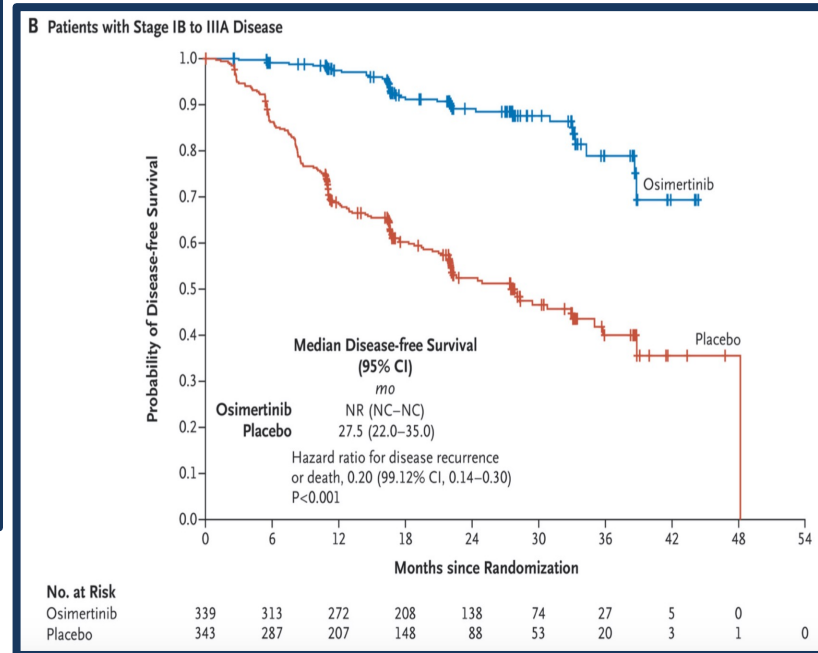
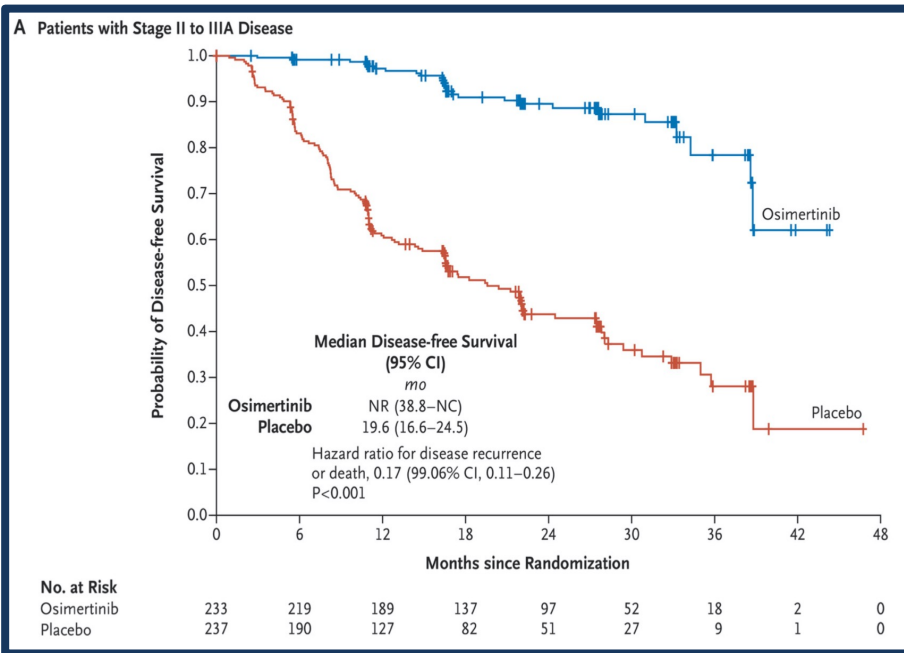
ADAURA: Efficacy Results

Primary Endpoint DFS

Secondary Endpoints

Stage IB-III A DFS

CNS DFS



Wu Yi-Long, et al. NEJM 2020



Adjuvant Chemotherapy VS Gefitinib

Name, Author Year	Design	EGFR Status (n)	Stages	HR DFS (p)	HR OS (p)
ADJUVANT Zhong 2018	Phase III Gefitinib vs. chemo (V + P)	EGFRm (222)	II–III A (N1-2)	0.51 (0.001)	0.92 (0.674)
IMPACT, Tada 2021	Phase III Gefitinib vs. chemo (V + P)	EGFRm (234)	II–III A	0.92 (0.63)	1.03 (0.89)
EVIDENCE, He 2021	Phase III Icotinib vs. chemo (V + P)	EGFRm (322)	II–III A (7th TNM)	0.36 (<0.0001)	0.75 (>0.05)

ADJUVANT AND EVIDENCE- primary endpoint DFS
IMPACT – primary endpoint was DFS at 5 years



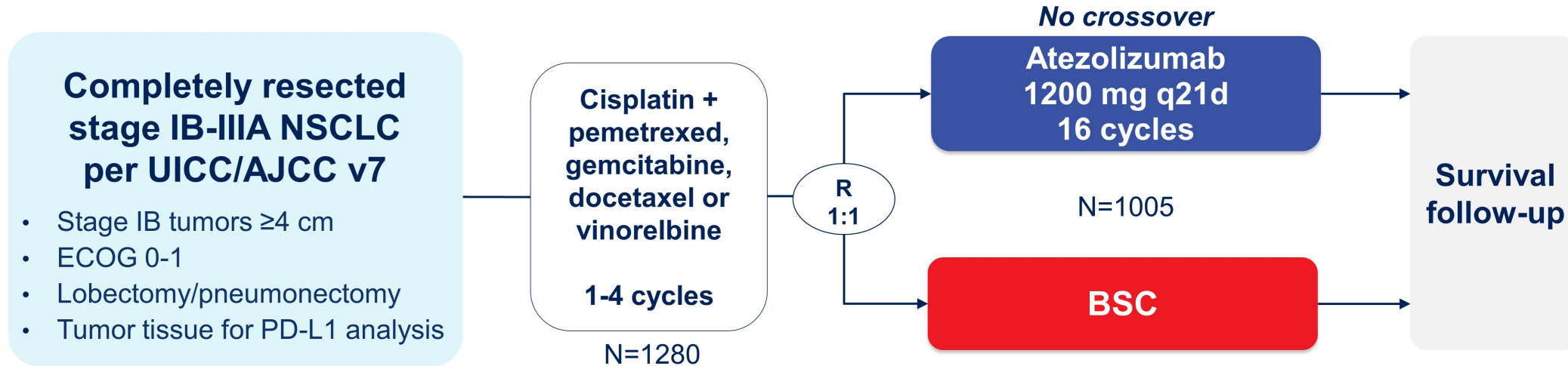
Ongoing Adjuvant TKI Trials

EGFR M+	N	Design	Primary Endpoint
ALCHEMIST	410 pts Stage IB-III A	Erlotinib versus placebo x 2 yrs (after chemotherapy)	Overall survival
ADUARA 2	380 Stage IA2 and IA3	Phase III, randomized, controlled, multi-center, international, 2-arm trial of Osimertinib versus placebo	DFS
APEX	606 Stage II-III A	Phase III, randomized, open label multi-center, 3-arm trial of Almonertinib vs Almonertinib + Chemotherapy vs Chemotherapy	DFS
ALK +	N	Design	Primary Endpoint
ALCHEMIST	168 pts Stage IB-III A	Crizotinib versus observation x 2 yrs (after chemotherapy)	Overall Survival
ALINA	255 pts Stage IB-III A.	Alectinib versus chemotherapy	Disease free survival



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IMpower010: study design



Stratification factors

- Male/female
- Stage (IB vs II vs IIIA)
- Histology
- PD-L1 tumor expression status^a: TC2/3 and any IC vs TC0/1 and IC2/3 vs TC0/1 and IC0/1

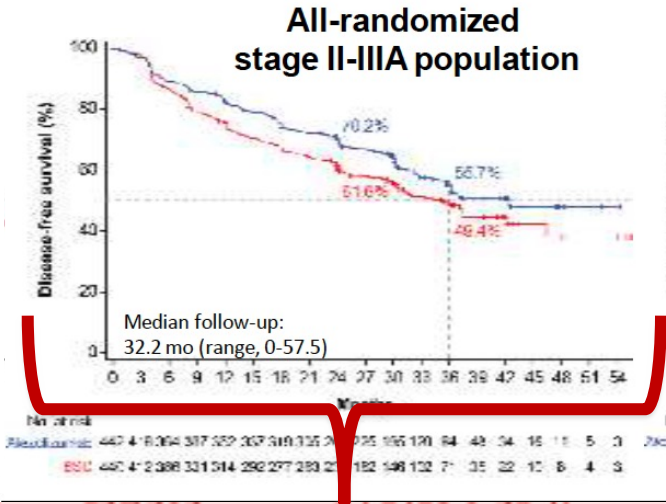
Primary endpoints

- Investigator-assessed DFS tested hierarchically:
 - PD-L1 TC $\geq 1\%$ (per SP263) stage II-IIIa population
 - All-randomized stage II-IIIa population
 - ITT population (stage IB-IIIa)

Key secondary endpoints

- OS in ITT population
- DFS in PD-L1 TC $\geq 50\%$ (per SP263) stage II-IIIa population
- 3-y and 5-y DFS in all 3 populations

IMPOWER010: DFS in the PD-L1 TC $\geq 1\%$ ^a stage II-IIIa, all-randomized stage II-IIIa and ITT populations (primary endpoint)



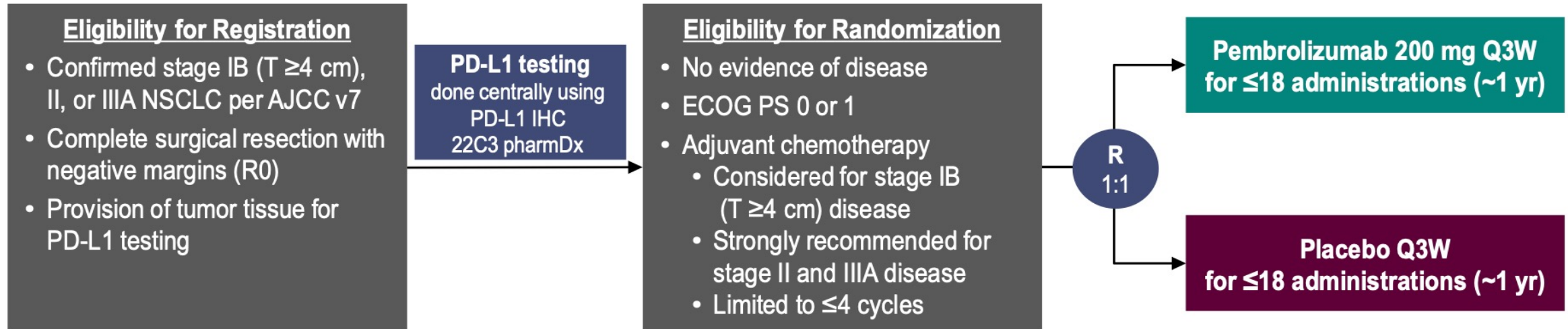
PD-L1 status by SP263

TC <1%	181/383	36.1 (30.2-NE)	202/383	37.0 (28.6-NE)		0.97 (0.72-1.31)
TC $\geq 1\%$	248/476	NE (36.1-NE)	228/476	35.3 (29.0-NE)		0.66 (0.49-0.87)
TC 1-49%	133/247	32.8 (29.4-NE)	114/247	31.4 (24.0-NE)		0.87 (0.60-1.26)
TC $\geq 50\%$	115/229	NE (42.3-NE)	114/229	35.7 (29.7-NE)		0.43 (0.27-0.68)

Second Trial of Adjuvant ICI

PEARLS/KEYNOTE-091 Study Design

Randomized, Triple-Blind, Phase 3 Trial



Stratification Factors

- Disease stage (IB vs II vs IIIA)
- PD-L1 TPS (<1% vs 1-49% vs ≥50%)
- Receipt of adjuvant chemotherapy (yes vs no)
- Geographic region (Asia vs Eastern Europe vs Western Europe vs rest of world)

Dual Primary End Points

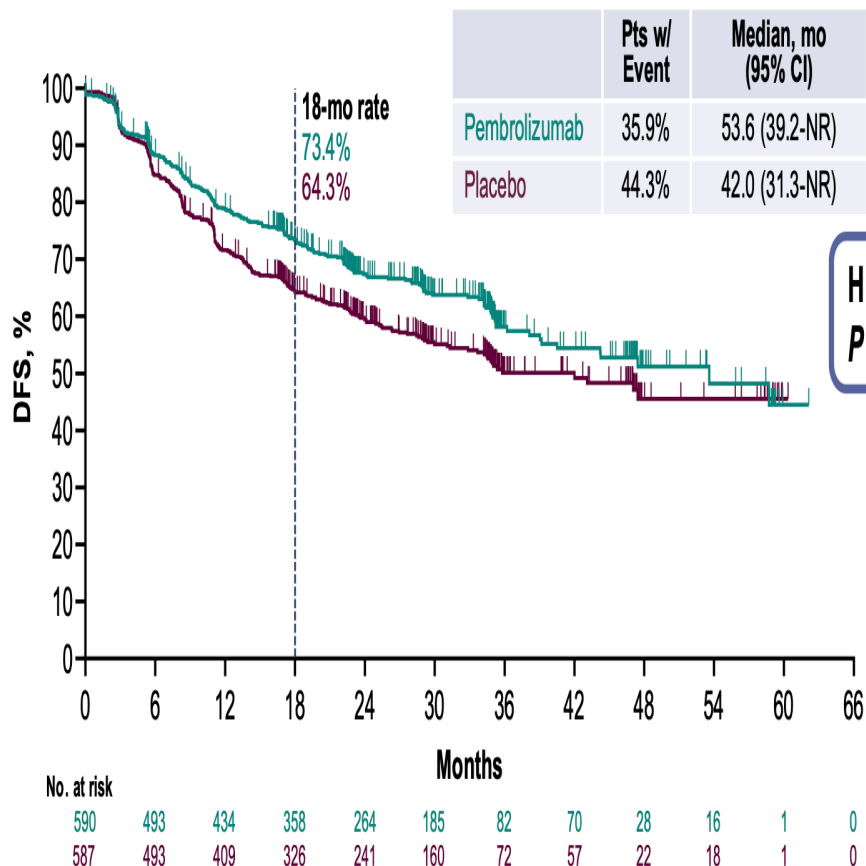
- DFS in the overall population
- DFS in the PD-L1 TPS ≥50% population

Secondary End Points

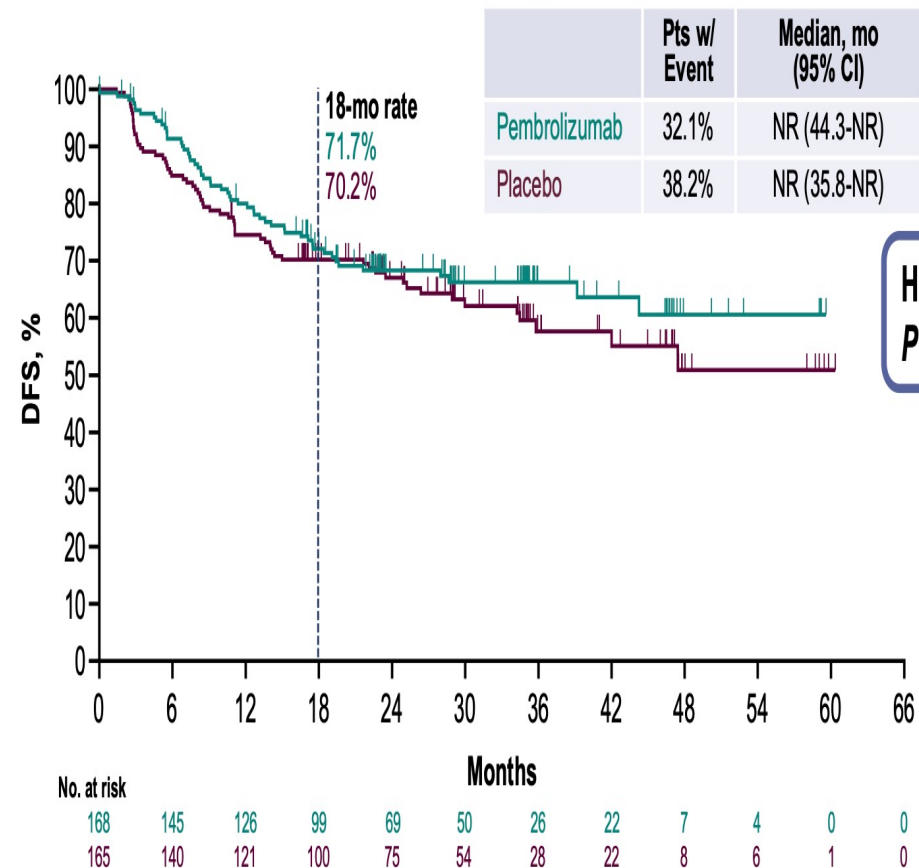
- DFS in the PD-L1 TPS ≥1% population
- OS in the overall, PD-L1 TPS ≥50%, and PD-L1 TPS ≥1% populations
- Lung cancer-specific survival in the overall population
- Safety

PEARLS/KEYNOTE 191: Efficacy Results

DFS, Overall Population



DFS, PD-L1 TPS ≥50% Population



IMpower010 and PEARLS/KEYNOTE 191

Primary endpoints

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Dual Primary endpoints

- DFS in the overall population
- DFS in the PD-L1 TPS $\geq 50\%$ population

Stratification factors:
Gender/Stage/Histology/PD-L1 expression

Stratification factors:
Stage/PD-L1 expression/Geographic region

Baseline Characteristics	IMpower 010 N=1280	KEYNOTE-091 N=1177
Median Age	62	65
Male	66.9%	68%
PS 1	44.4%	38.6%
Current/former smoker	77.9%	87%
Stage IB/II/III A	11.8%/46.7%/41.1%	14.3%/56.7%/28.8%
NonSquamous histology	65.6%	64.7%
PD-L1 expression	45.4% < 1%/54.6% $\geq 1\%$ (SP263)	39.5% < 1%/ 32.3% 1-49%/28.3% $\geq 50\%$ (Dako 22C3)
EGFR mutation positive/unknown	11.6%/35.9%	6.2%/56.9%
Adjuvant chemotherapy	99% (required)	85.6%

Phase III Adjuvant Trials with Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors

Drug/Trial	Description	Stages	Selection	Primary Endpoint	N	UPDATE
Nivolumab ALCHEMIST/ANVIL	US NCI, observation control arm	IB (4 cm) – IIIA After adjuvant chemotherapy and/or radiation	Unselected	OS/DFS	903	Accrual completed
MEDI4736 Durvalumab	Global, placebo controlled	IB (4 cm) – IIIA After adjuvant chemotherapy	Unselected	DFS	1360	Accrual completed
Canakinumab CANOPY-A	Global, placebo controlled	II-III A IIIB (T>5cmN2) After adjuvant chemotherapy and/or radiation	Unselected	DFS	1500	Recruiting
Pembrolizumab ALCHEMIST Chemo-IO (revised)	US NCI	IB (4 cm)-III A Concurrent chemotherapy with or without Pembrolizumab followed by pembrolizumab	Unselected	DFS	1210	Recruiting

Why are Neoadjuvant Trials Attractive?

Pro

Earliest opportunity to eradicate micrometastatic disease

Achievement of a major pathological response is indicative of antitumor activity and may be an early surrogate for prolonged survival /cure.

Resected tumor and normal lung provides an opportunity to understand a drug/regimen mechanism(s) of action, and tumor PK/PD

Better priming of the immune system

Increased resectability and R0 resections

Con

Delay in surgical resection by 9-12 weeks

Risk of disease progression prior to resection (NATCH 5%)

May not identify a complete adverse effect profile

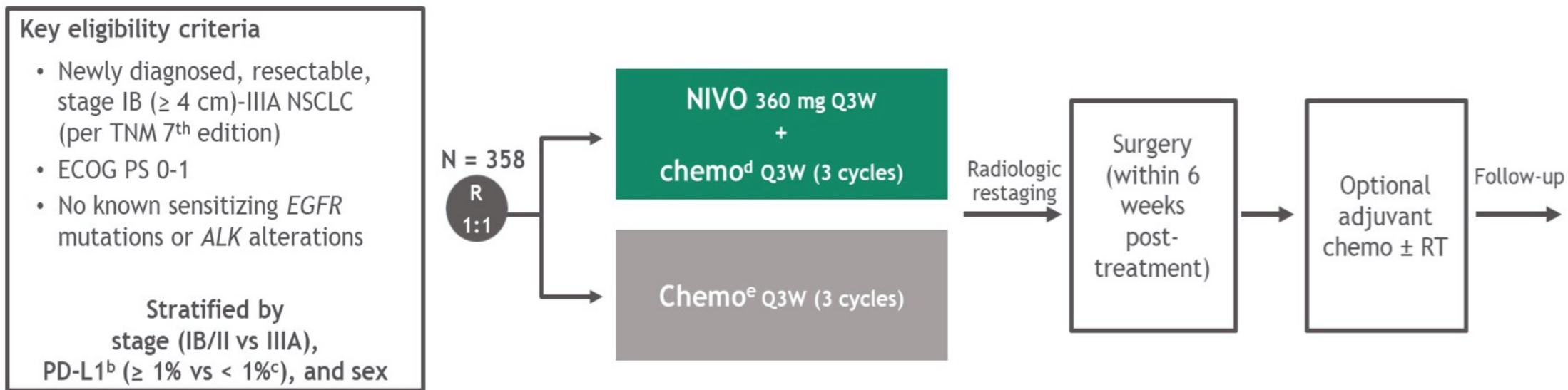
Concern about postoperative morbidity and mortality
(NATCH postop mortality: 5.0% (neoadjuvant)
7.5% (adjuvant))

Felip et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2010



The FIRST neoadjuvant immunotherapy combination approved in the modern era

CheckMate 816 study design



Primary endpoints

- pCR by BIPR
- EFS by BICR

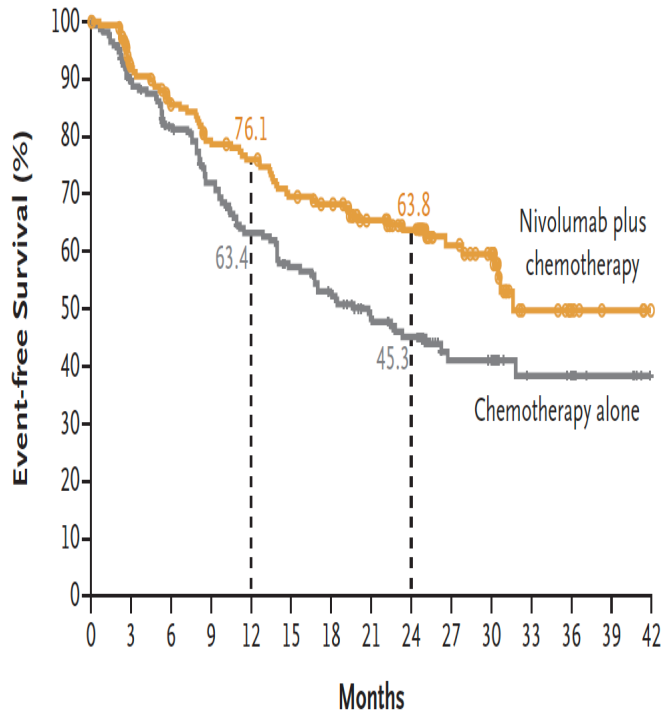
Key secondary endpoints

- MPR by BIPR
- OS
- Time to death or distant metastases

Key exploratory endpoints included

- ORR by BICR
- Feasibility of surgery; peri- and post-operative surgery-related AEs

CheckMate 816: Efficacy Results

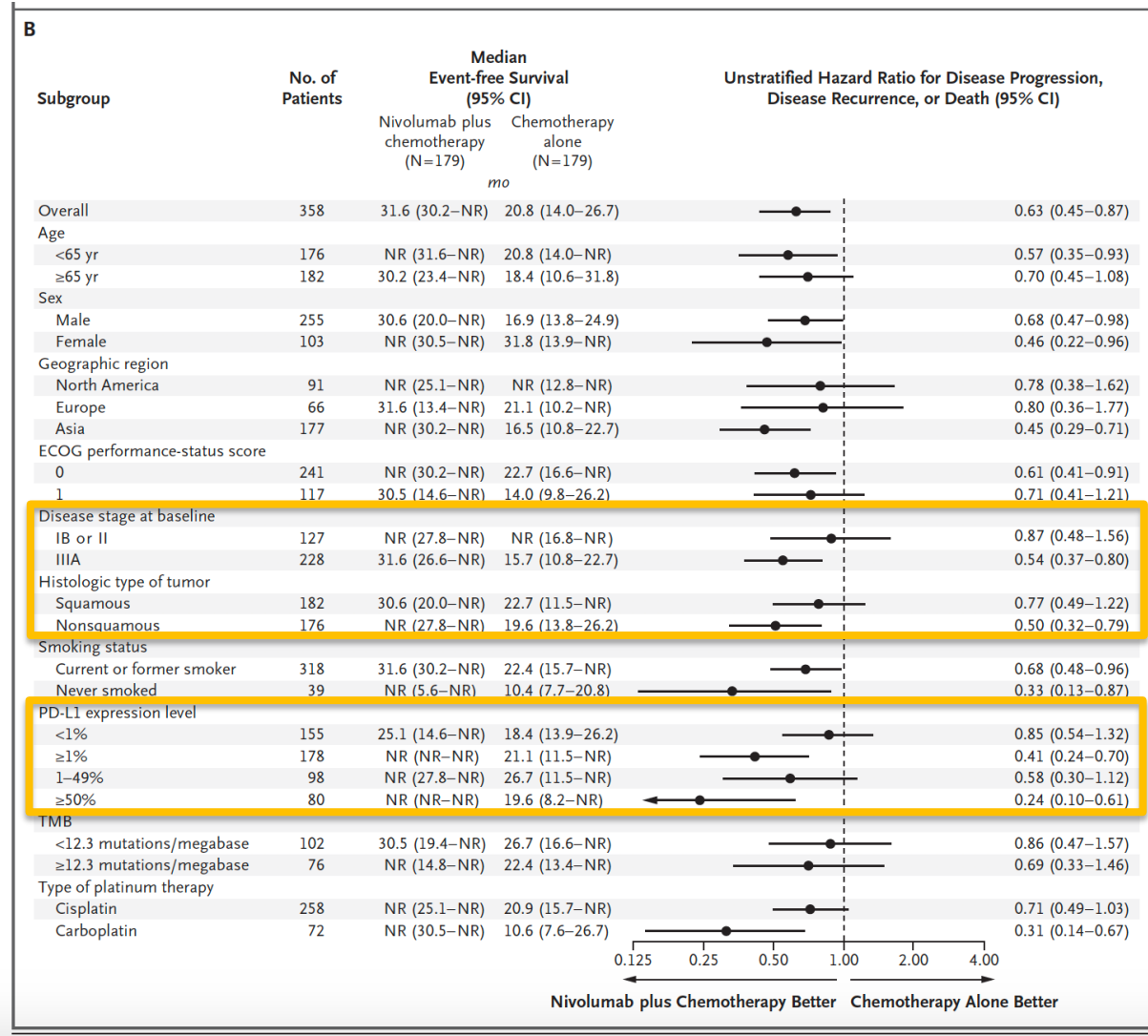


	No. of Patients	Median Event-free Survival (95% CI) mo
Nivolumab plus Chemotherapy	179	31.6 (30.2–NR)
Chemotherapy Alone	179	20.8 (14.0–26.7)

Hazard ratio for disease progression, disease recurrence, or death, 0.63 (97.38% CI, 0.43–0.91)
P=0.005

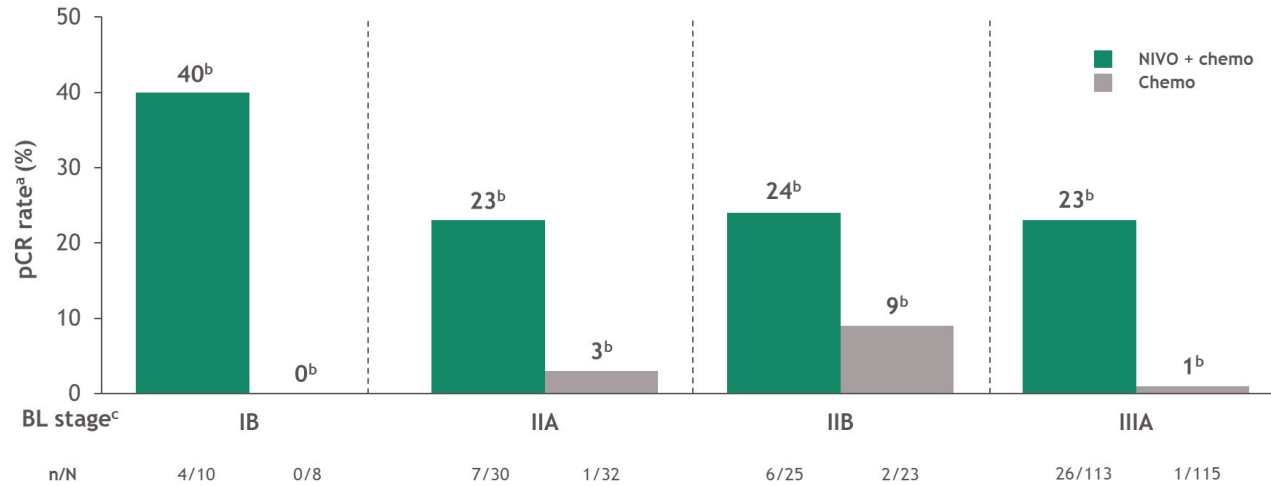
No. at Risk

Nivolumab plus chemotherapy	179	151	136	124	118	107	102	87	74	41	34	13	6	3	0
Chemotherapy alone	179	144	126	109	94	83	75	61	52	26	24	13	11	4	0

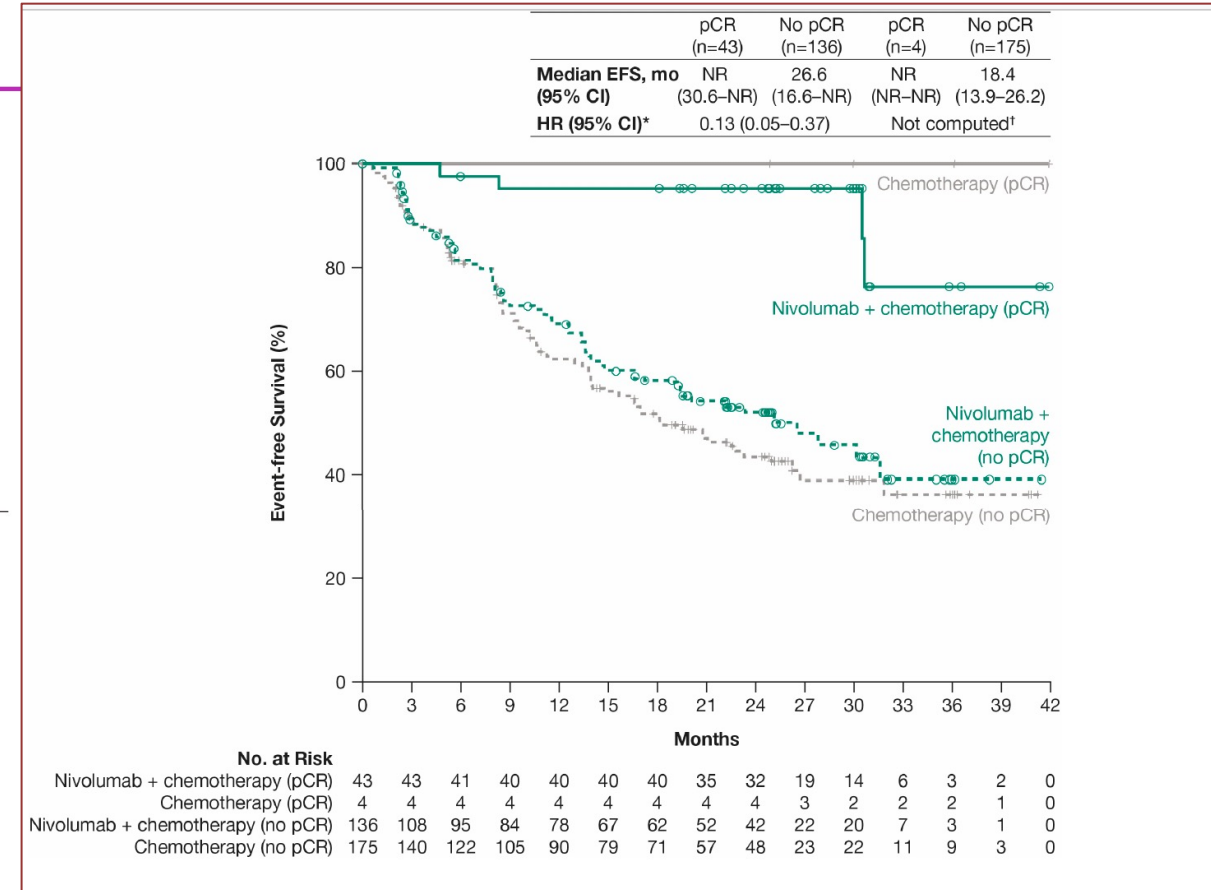


CheckMate 816: Efficacy Results

pCR by baseline stage of disease



- pCR improvement with NIVO + chemo vs chemo was observed regardless of radiologic down-staging^d
- Numerically, a greater percentage of patients treated with neoadjuvant NIVO + chemo vs chemo had definitive surgery and complete resection while fewer patients underwent pneumonectomy



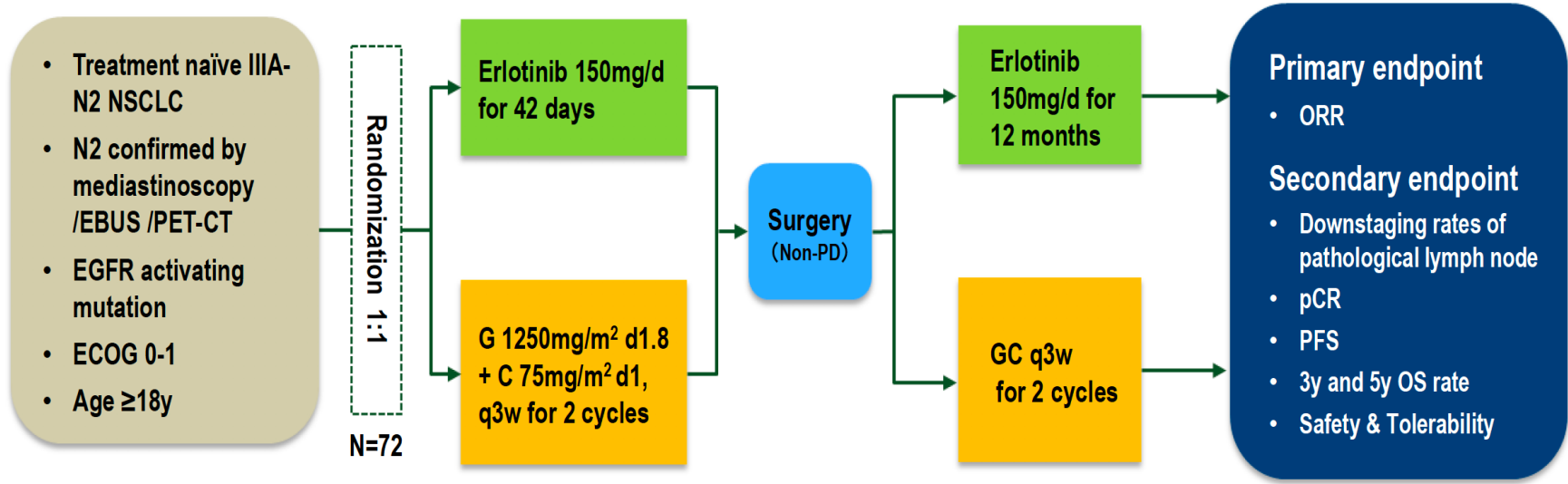
Perioperative Immunotherapy Phase III Clinical Trials

Drug	N	Stages	Description	Primary Endpoint
Atezolizumab + platinum based chemotherapy Impower030	374	Stage II-III B (T3N2), resectable NSCLC	Neo-adjuvant chemo+ICI or placebo then surgery followed by adjuvant ICI or <u>observation</u>	mPR/RFS
Pembrolizumab + platinum based chemotherapy KN671	786	Stage II, IIIA, and Resectable IIIB (T3-4N2) NSCLC	Neo-adjuvant chemo+ICI or placebo followed by surgery then adjuvant ICI or placebo	RFS/OS
Durvalumab + platinum based chemotherapy AEGEAN	300	Stage II-III A, resectable NSCLC	Neo-adjuvant chemo+ICI or placebo then surgery followed by adjuvant ICI or placebo	mPR
Nivolumab + platinum based chemotherapy CheckMate 77T	452	Stage II-III A, resectable	Neo-adjuvant chemo-ICI/ surgery/adjuvant ICI or chemo-placebo/surgery/adjuvant placebo	EFS
Tislelizumab + platinum based chemotherapy BGB A317-315	450	Stage II-III A, resectable	Neo-adjuvant chemo+ICI or placebo then surgery followed by adjuvant ICI or placebo	mPR/EFS
Adebrelimab + platinum based chemotherapy SHR-1316-111-303	537	Stage II – IIIA/B, resectable	Neo-adjuvant chemo+ICI or placebo then surgery followed by adjuvant ICI or placebo	mPR/EFS
Sintilimab + platinum based chemotherapy CIBI308G301	800	Stage II(>4cm), IIIA/B resectable	Neo-adjuvant chemo+ICI or placebo then surgery followed by adjuvant ICI or placebo	EFS/pCR

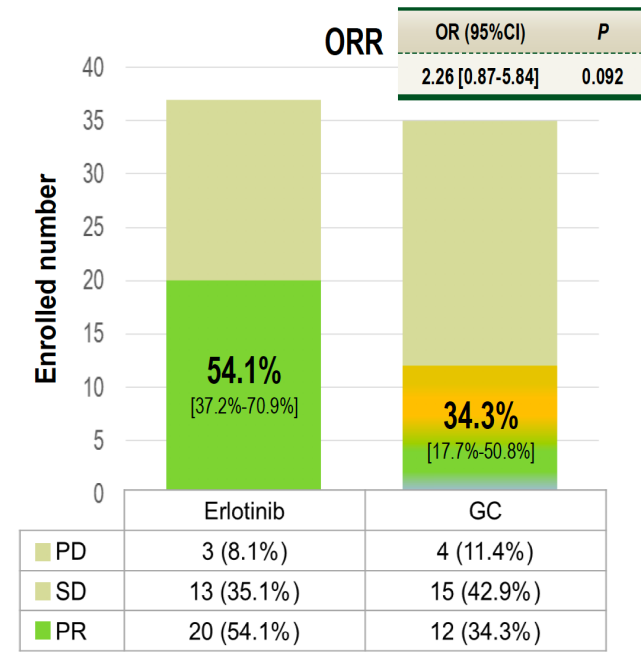


Neoadjuvant TKI

EMERGING-CTONG 1103 Study Design



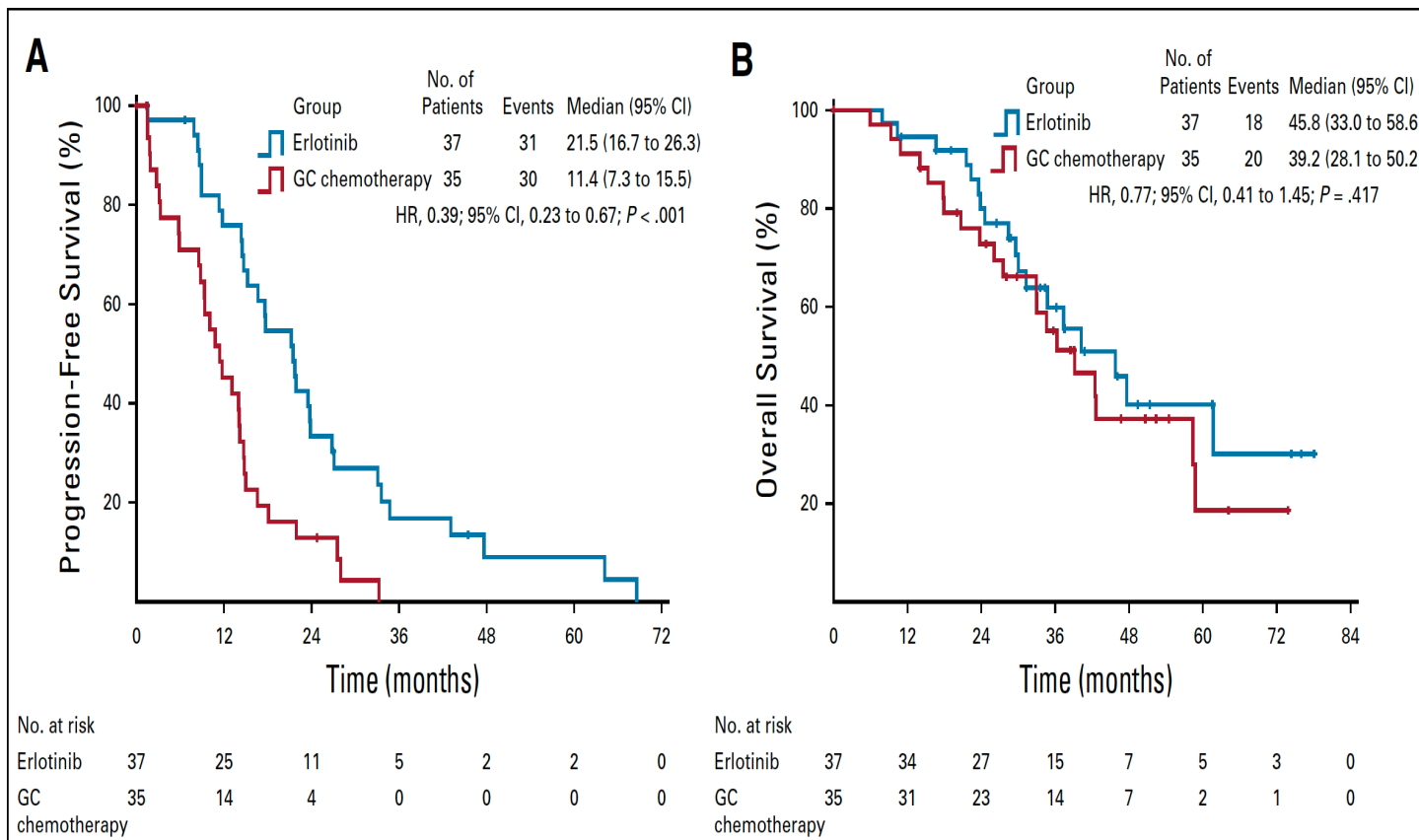
• Stratification by lymph node status, histology, smoking status and sex.



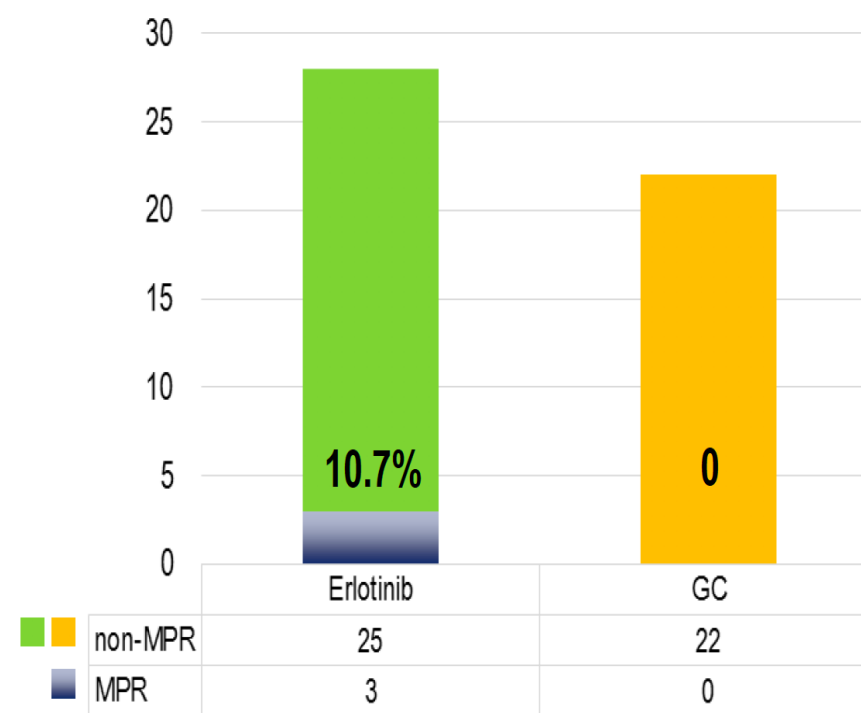
ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status; G, gemcitabine ; C, cisplatin; ORR, objective response rate; pCR, pathological complete response; PFS, progression free survival; OS, overall survival.



Secondary endpoints



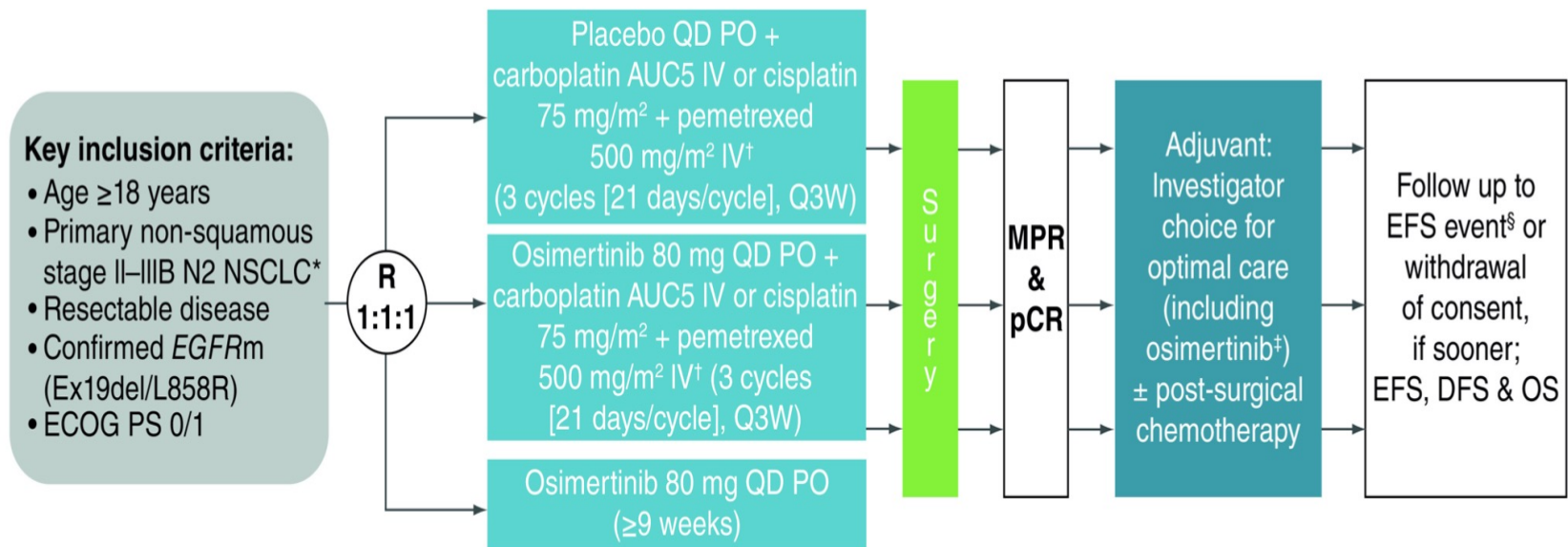
The major pathological response (MPR)



Neoadjuvant Targeted Therapy Phase III Clinical Trials

NeoADAURA

Pilot trial neoadjuvant osimertinib
 -13 patients with early-stage
 6 stage IA/B
 2 Stage IIA/B
 5 Stage IIIA
 -Treated with osimertinib for an
 average of 59 days prior to surgical
 resection.
 -The mPR rate was 15% (2 of 13).
 -No pCR's were observed



Blakely C et al JTO 2021 abst P26.02

N = 351 patients
 Primary endpoint is MPR



TKIs and Early-Stage Disease

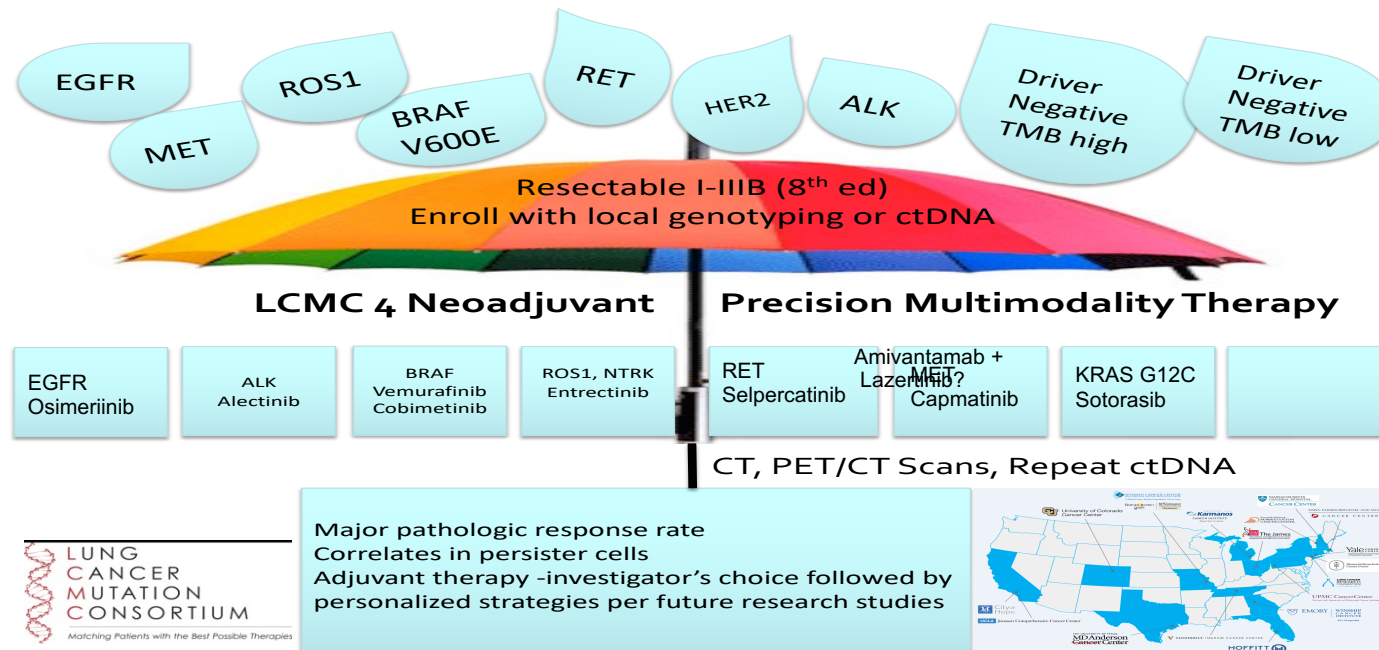
- Will TKIs cure patients or do they just delay progression?
- What is the optimal duration of TKI therapy?
- How do we build upon the current data?

Combining TKI with Chemotherapy

NEOADAURA

Sequencing: Adjuvant chemotherapy + TKI → TKI vs chemotherapy → TKI

Window of opportunity trials – Neoadjuvant



Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors and Early-Stage Disease

- Will patients be cured?
- Optimal sequencing? Neoadjuvant VS Adjuvant?
- Who needs adjuvant therapy after neoadjuvant?
- Patients with squamous cell histology, stage IB and PD-L0 are not benefiting.
- Novel regimens are needed.

NEOCOAST Phase II

	Durvalumab (D) N = 24	D + O N = 18	D + M N = 18	D + D N = 16
MPR	11.1%	19%	30%	31.3%
CPR	3.7%	9.5%	10%	12.5%
ORR	7.4%	4.8%	15%	6.3%

untreated, resectable (> 2 cm), stage I to IIIA NSCLC

Oleclumab (MEDI9447) is a human IgG1 λ mAb that inhibits the function of cluster of differentiation 73 (CD73). Involved in immunosuppression.

Monalizumab (IPH2201) is a first-in-class, humanized, IgG4 mAb that specifically binds to and blocks the inhibitory receptor NKG2A from binding to the major histocompatibility complex E (HLA-E), reducing inhibition of natural killer and CD8+ T cells.

Danvatirsen (AXD1950) is a 16-nucleotide antisense oligonucleotide targeting STAT3

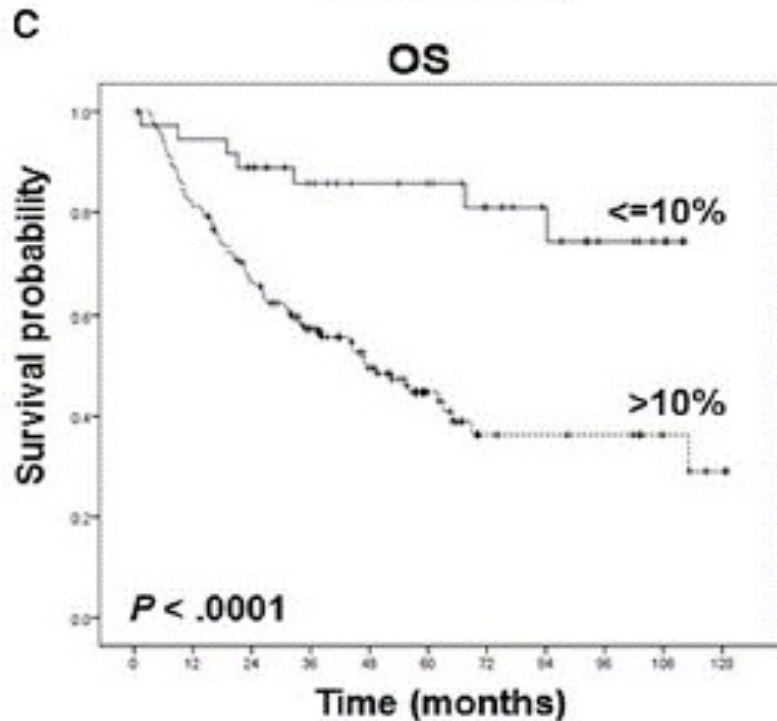
NEOCOAST 2 Randomize Phase II in Stage II –IIIA N = 140 (3 arms)

Early Efficacy Endpoints

Major Pathological Response

Single institution study
36/192 patients (19%) with a major pathological response

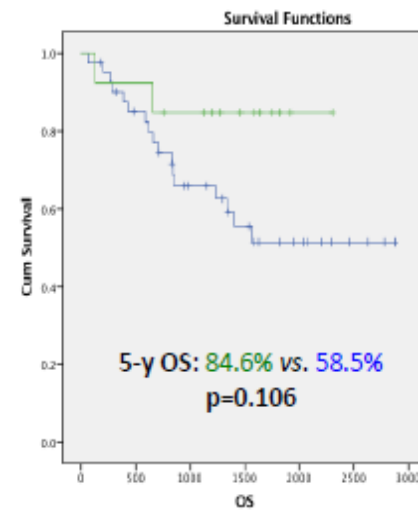
In neoadjuvant arm of NATCH 19 patients with a major pathological response (10.5%) had a 5 year DFS benefit (59% vs 38%)



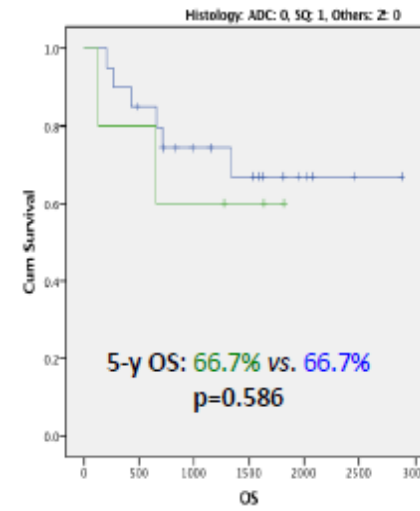
RESULTS

- 13 out of 57 patients (22.8%) had major pathological response to preoperative chemotherapy

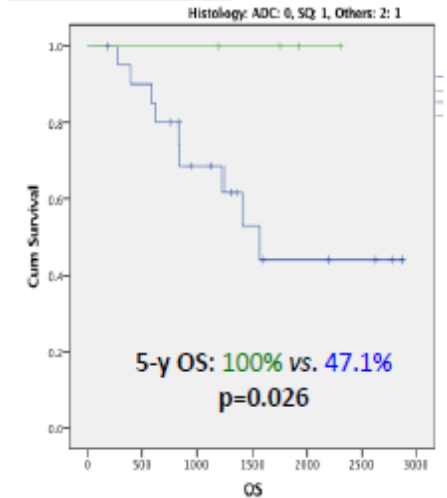
Overall population



Adenocarcinoma



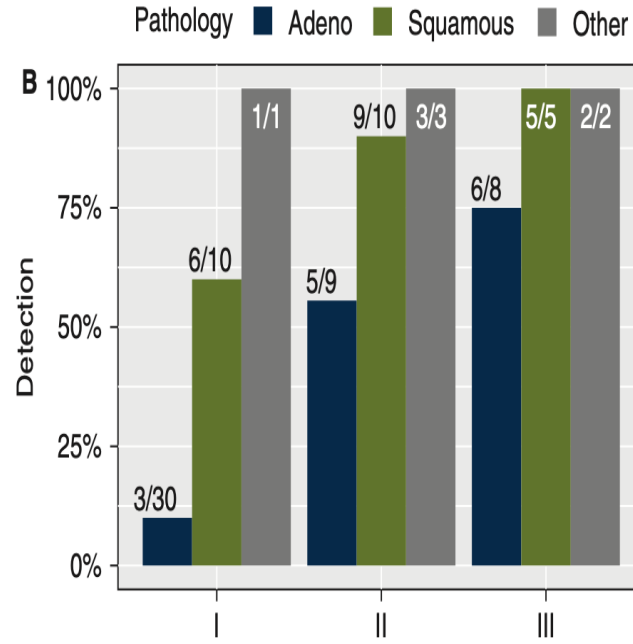
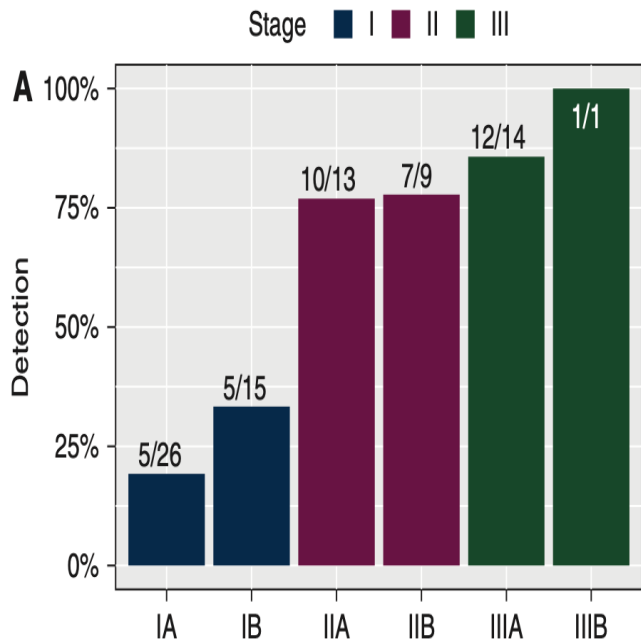
Squamous Carcinoma



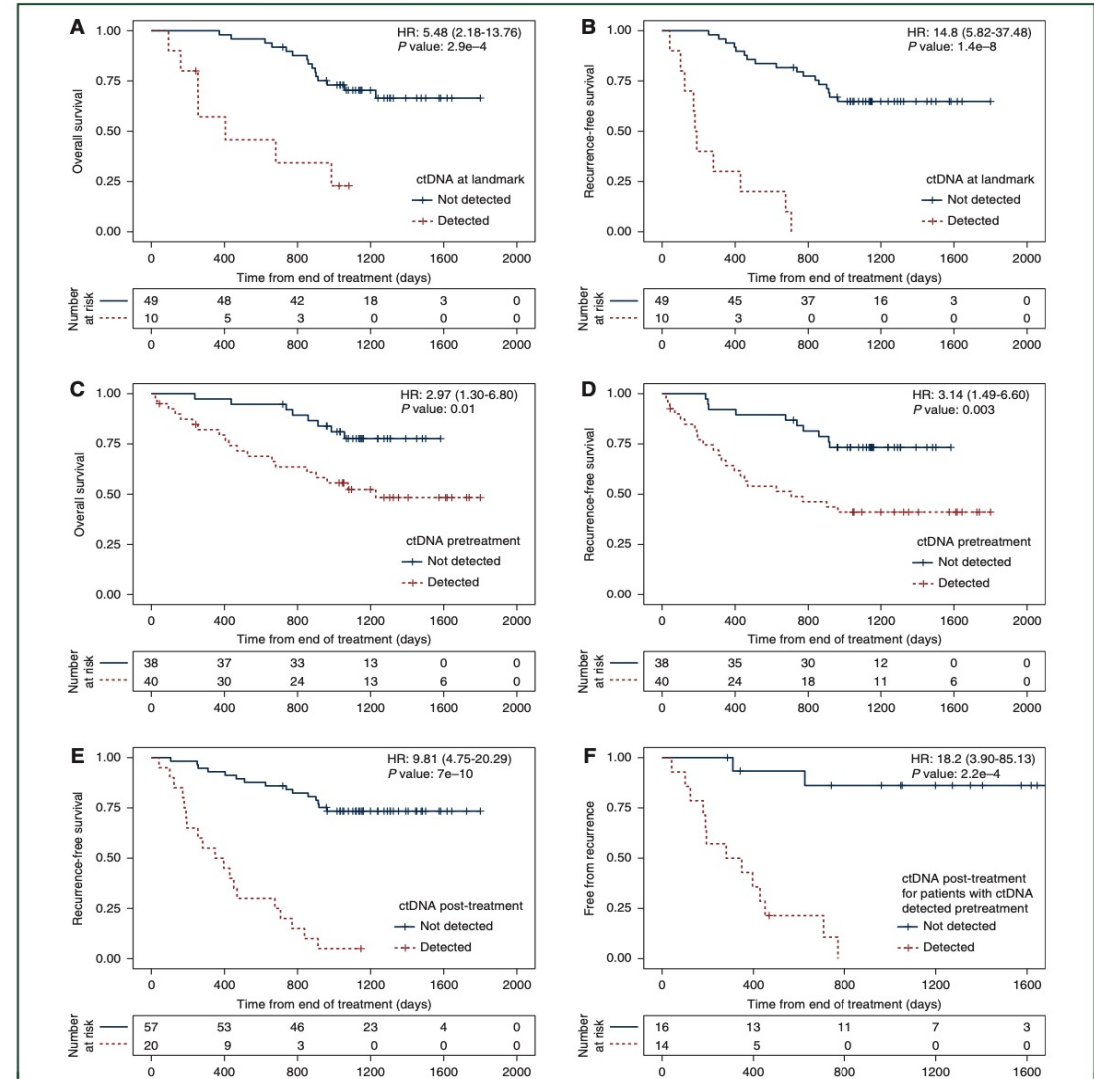
- MPR correlated with increased 5-y OS in the whole population ($p=0.106$), specially squamous subtype ($p=0.026$)

Early Efficacy Endpoints Circulating Tumor DNA

- Can we detect minimal residual disease?



88 patients who underwent treatment with curative intent, by surgery (69 patients or chemoradiotherapy (19 patients). Never smokers 9%.



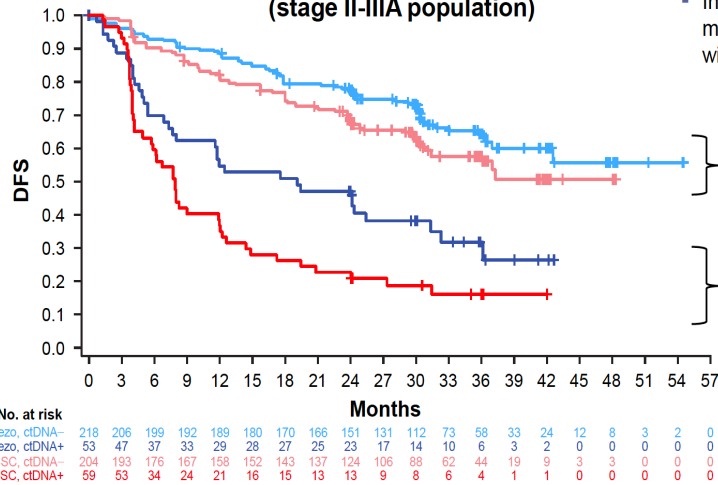
Early Efficacy Endpoints Circulating Tumor DNA

IMpower 010

ctDNA positivity was strongly prognostic, with DFS favouring atezo in both ctDNA+ and ctDNA- patients

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DFS in ctDNA-defined subgroups
(stage II-IIIa population)



In all ctDNA-evaluable stage II-IIIa patients, mDFS was NR (atezo) vs 31.4 months (BSC), with an HR of 0.69 (95% CI: 0.53, 0.89)

ctDNA-	Atezo (n=218)	BSC (n=204)
mDFS, mo	NR	NR
HR (95% CI)	0.72 (0.52, 1.00)	

ctDNA+	Atezo (n=53)	BSC (n=59)
mDFS, mo	19.1	7.9
HR (95% CI)	0.61 (0.39, 0.94)	

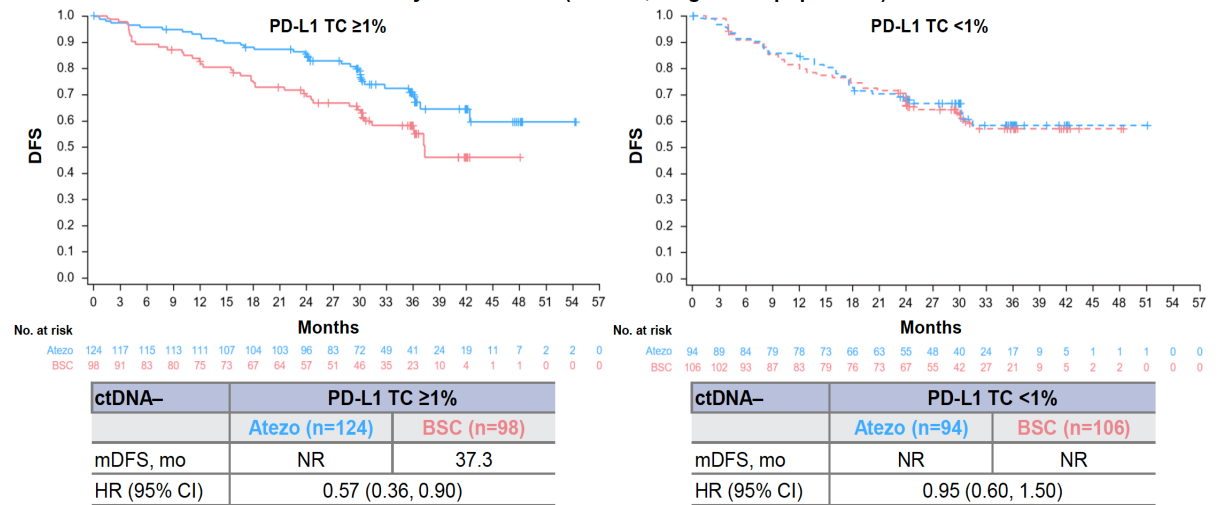
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Among ctDNA- patients, DFS benefit was also primarily seen in those with PD-L1 TC $\geq 1\%$ NSCLC

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DFS by PD-L1 status (ctDNA-, stage II-IIIa population)



ctDNA-	PD-L1 TC $\geq 1\%$	
	Atezo (n=124)	BSC (n=98)
mDFS, mo	NR	37.3
HR (95% CI)	0.57 (0.36, 0.90)	

ctDNA-	PD-L1 TC < 1%	
	Atezo (n=94)	BSC (n=106)
mDFS, mo	NR	NR
HR (95% CI)	0.95 (0.60, 1.50)	

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- ctDNA after surgery before systemic treatment

Is it time for randomized biomarker selected trials?

Take home messages

- Advances in the systemic treatment of early-stage resectable disease have recently been made utilizing both the adjuvant and neoadjuvant approach in selected patients.
- Looking forward to:
 - the overall survival analysis from the reported trials
 - initial analysis of numerous trials for confirmation
- Building upon both approaches (adjuvant and neoadjuvant) is needed.
- Biomarker selection of patients is the key to optimizing individual therapy.



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