

Updates in Kidney and Bladder Cancers: Where are we with immunotherapy and precision medicine?

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Updates in Cancer Therapies:
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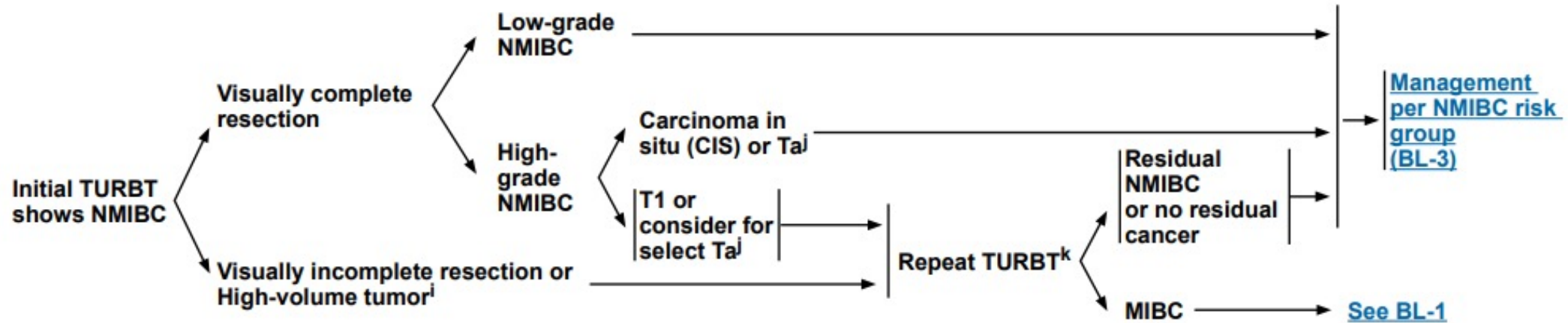
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Bladder Updates Outline

- 1. Non-muscle invasive bladder cancer (NMIBC)**
 - Systemic therapy & novel intravesical therapy
- 2. Muscle-invasive bladder cancer (MIBC)**
 - Adjuvant immunotherapy
 - Ongoing trials
- 3. Metastatic urothelial carcinoma (mUC)**
 - New practice changing 1L regimen
 - Role of precision oncology: FGFR, her-2

NMIBC

RISK STRATIFICATION OF NMIBC



AUA Risk Stratification for Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer*

Low Risk	Intermediate Risk	High Risk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Papillary urothelial neoplasm of low malignant potential Low grade urothelial carcinoma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ta and ≤3 cm and Solitary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low grade urothelial carcinoma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T1 or >3 cm or Multifocal or Recurrence within 1 year High grade urothelial carcinoma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ta and ≤3 cm and Solitary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High grade urothelial carcinoma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIS or T1 or >3 cm or Multifocal Very high risk features (any): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCG unresponsive^l Variant histologies^m Lymphovascular invasion Prostatic urethral invasion

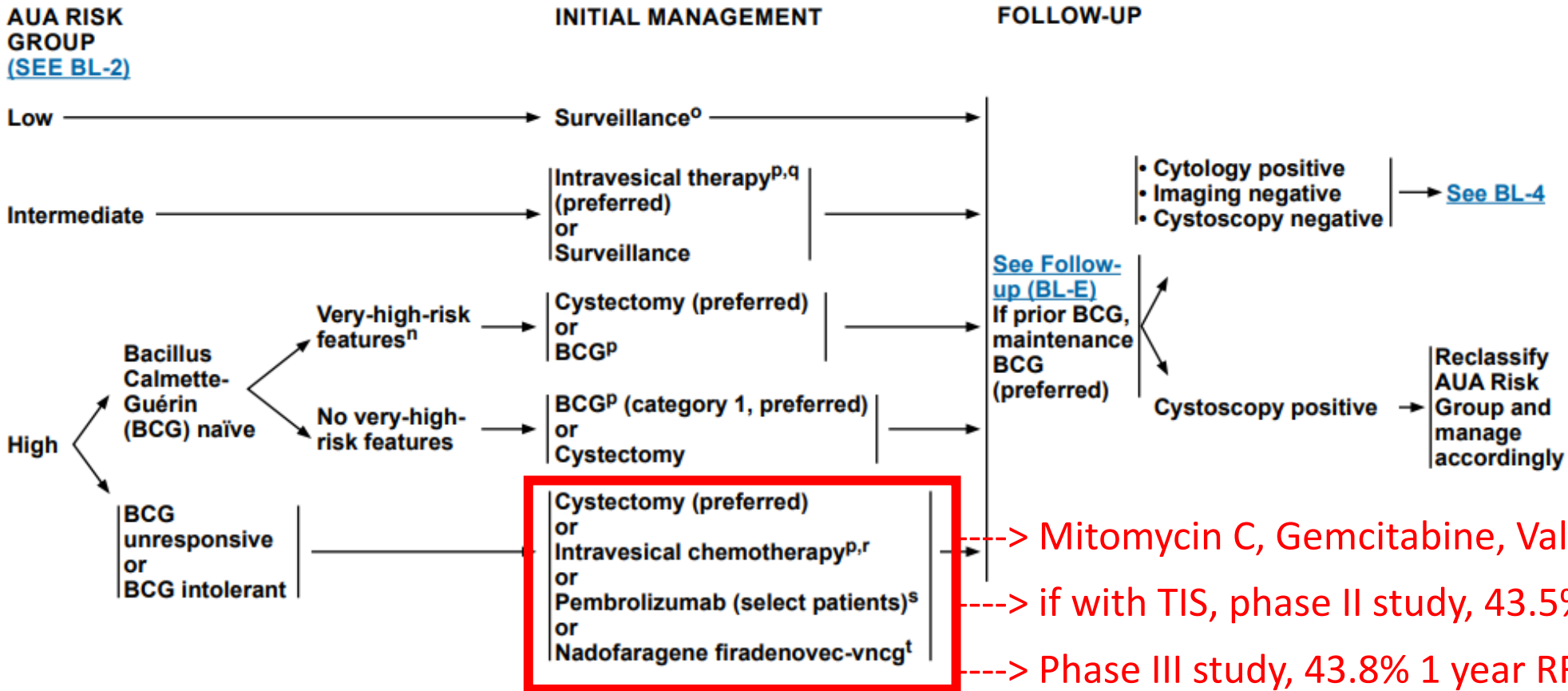
--> higher risk of progression to invasive disease

--> CIS can metastasize without clinical invasion

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 *Within each of these risk strata an individual patient may have more or fewer concerning features that can influence care.

NMIBC

MANAGEMENT PER NMIBC RISK GROUP



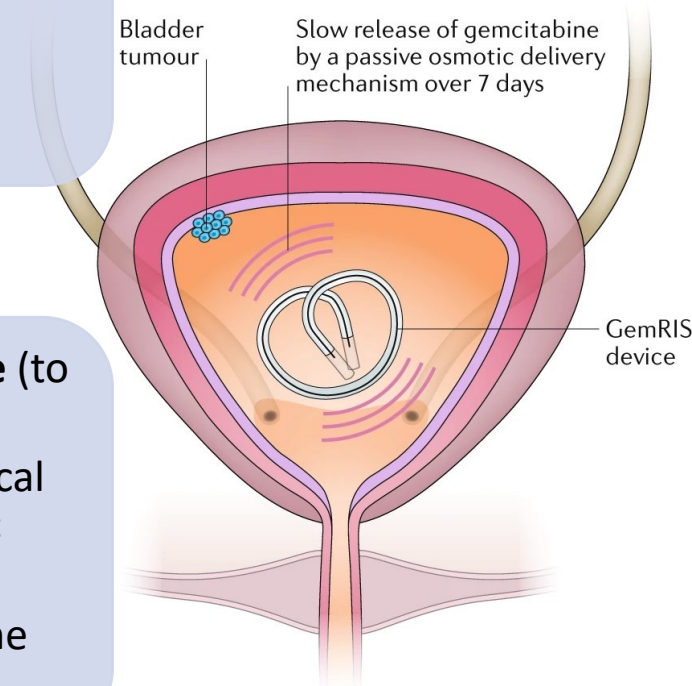
NMIBC – Ongoing Phase III Trials

KN-676: persistent or recurrent HR NMIBC after adequate BCG induction

- **IV pembrolizumab** (for 2 years) + **BCG** vs **BCG monotherapy**
- Similar trials for other IO agents – POTOMAC (Durvalumab), CM-7G8 (Nivolumab), ALBAN (Atezolizumab)

SunRISe-2: HR NMIBC CIS (with or without papillary disease) unresponsive to BCG

- **TAR-200 + cetrelimab** vs **TAR-200 alone** vs **cetrelimab alone** (to 78 weeks)
- **TAR-200** is a novel drug delivery system for the sustained local release of gemcitabine in the bladder, relying on an osmotic system
- **TAR-210** - phase I trial looking at erdafitinib delivery via same route

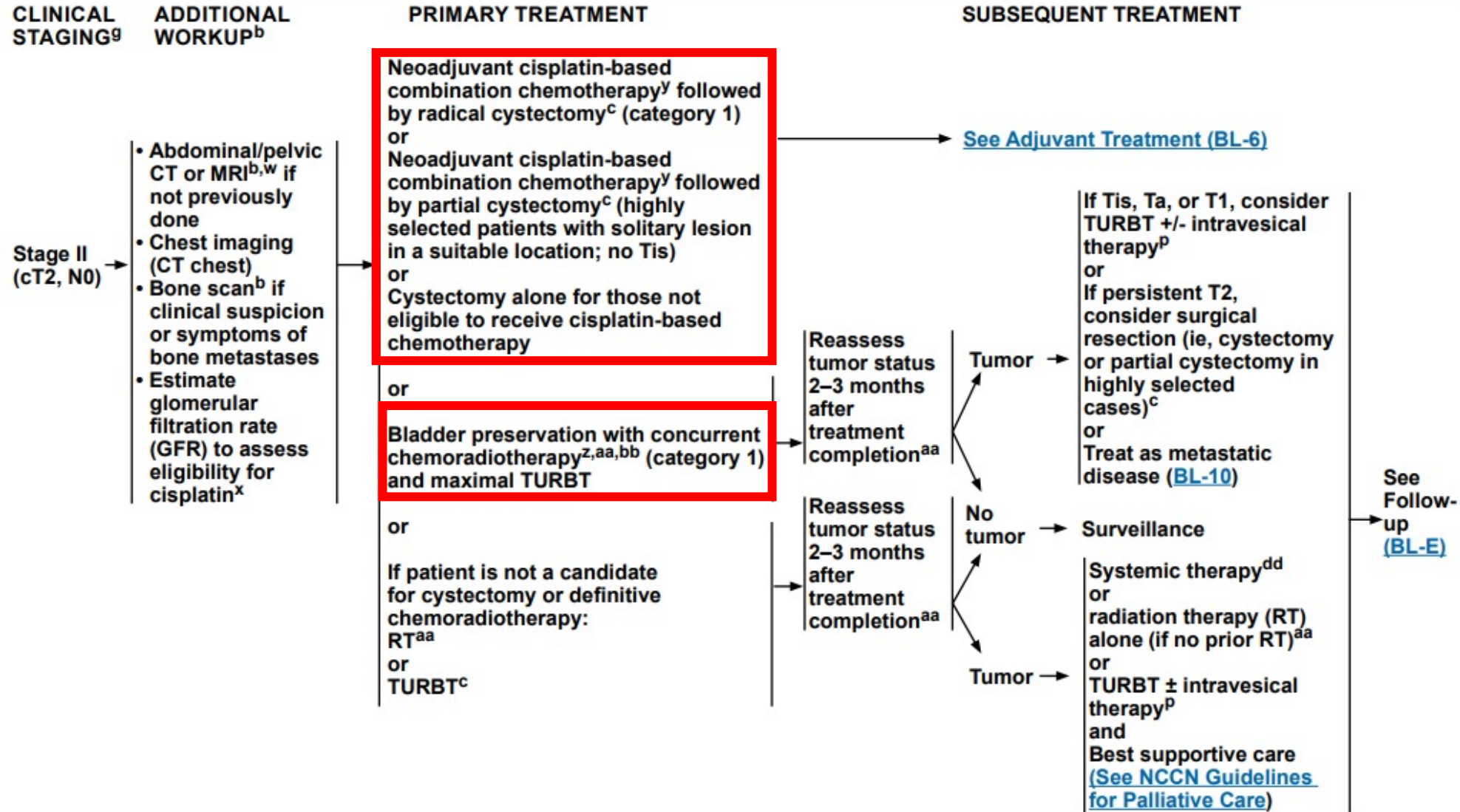


Nature Reviews Urology, 2018

MIBC

- **Gold standard** treatment is neoadjuvant chemo (NAC) followed by cystectomy
 - NAC: Gemcitabine/Cisplatin vs dose-dense MVAC
- Consider chemo-XRT / trimodal therapy
- If no neoadjuvant given, consider adjuvant chemo (cisplatin only, not carboplatin)
 - Lack of NAC option for cisplatin-ineligible patients

MIBC



MIBC

Post cystectomy, there are high rates of distant recurrence in up to 50% of patients (*Donat et al, World Journal of Urology, 2006*)

Meta-analyses shows an absolute 5-year OS improvement of 5% with NAC (*Vale et al, European urology, 2005*)



Approximately 50% of patients are “cisplatin-
ineligible”

- ECOG PS = 2
- Creatinine clearance < 60 mL/min
- Grade \geq 2 hearing loss
- Grade \geq 2 neuropathy
- New York Heart Association Class III CHF

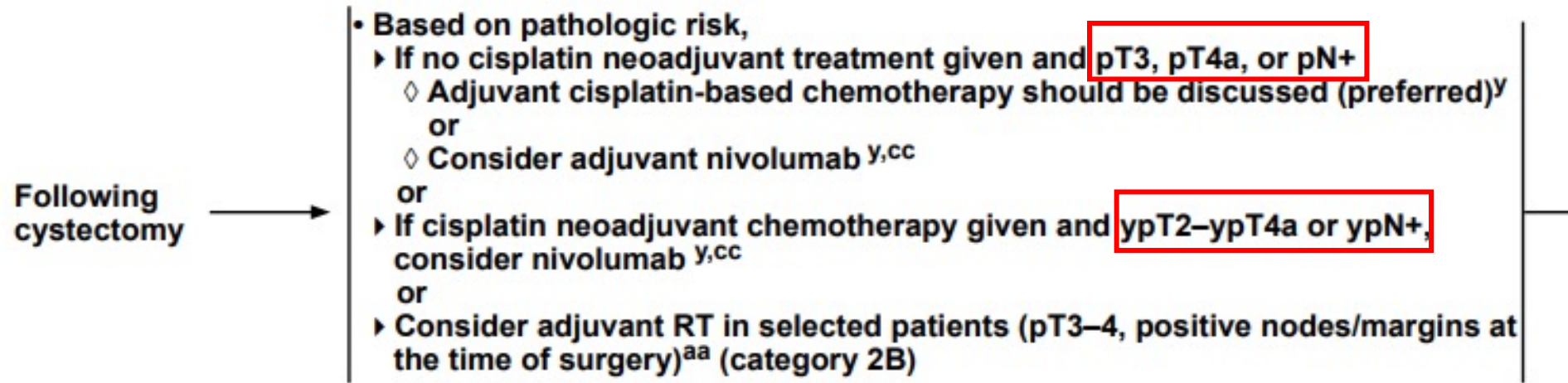
ECOG PS = Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status; CHF = chronic heart failure.
Galsky MD, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2011;12(3):211-4.



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MIBC – Adjuvant Treatment

ADJUVANT TREATMENT



- Based on **CM-274**: Nivolumab x 1 year improved DFS, await OS
 - **IMvigor010** (adjuvant Atezolizumab) was a negative trial, difference between PDL1 and PD1?
 - **AMBASSADOR** (adjuvant Pembrolizumab with recent press release
- Unclear role of adjuvant IO in some variant histologies e.g. squamous
- OS needed for PDL-1 negative group, and patients without NAC

Adjuvant Pembrolizumab May Offer Survival Benefit Over Observation in Patients With Muscle-Invasive or Locally Advanced Urothelial Carcinoma

By The ASCO Post Staff

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MIBC – Definitive Systemic Therapy

- A subset of patients with MIBC will achieve a **pCR with NAC** (26%–38%) (*Griffiths, JCO 2011; Plimack, JCO 2014*)
 - **Goal to avoid local treatment and its complications**
 - Post-operative QOL may improve, but urinary and sexual dysfunction remains inferior to the general population (*Yang et al, Surg Oncol, 2016*)
- Need reliable biomarkers that can predict favorable outcomes for NAC
- Several potential DNA-based genetic alterations seem to correlate with pathologic response to NAC (*Girardi et al, Urologic Oncology, 2023*)
 - Many ongoing risk-adapted trials in patients with select deleterious DDR gene alterations – RETAIN (ddMVAC), RETAIN-2 (ddMVAC + nivolumab), A031701



One Future Cystectomy-Sparing Approach?

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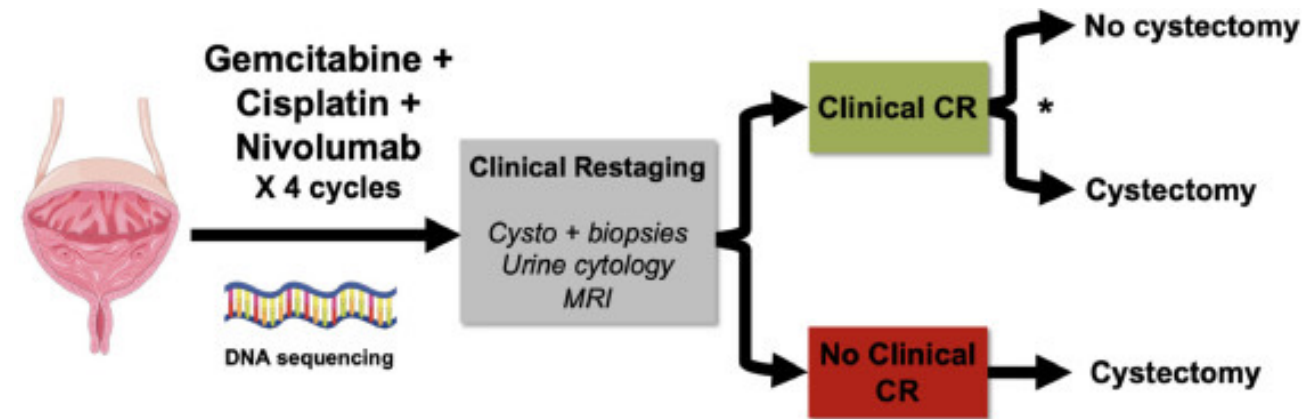
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Gemcitabine and cisplatin plus nivolumab as organ-sparing treatment for muscle-invasive bladder cancer: a phase 2 trial

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• Determine association between DDR panel and "benefit" in cCR patients

* Treatment based on patient choice

Abbreviation: DDR= DNA damage repair, CR= complete response, cCR= clinical complete response, MRI= magnetic resonance imaging

- 76 patients were enrolled; of these, 33 achieved a cCR (43%, 95% CI: 32%-55%), and 32 of 33 who achieved a cCR opted to forgo immediate cystectomy
 - Somatic alterations in pre-specified genes (*ATM*, *RB1*, *FANCC* and *ERCC2*) or increased tumor mutational burden did not improve the positive predictive value of cCR

Neoadjuvant/Adjuvant - what is approved

PRINCIPLES OF SYSTEMIC THERAPY

Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy (preferred for bladder)

Preferred regimen

- DDMVAC (dose-dense methotrexate, vinblastine, doxorubicin, and cisplatin) with growth factor support for 3–6 cycles^{1,2}

Other recommended regimens

- Gemcitabine and cisplatin for 4 cycles^{3,4}

Adjuvant Therapy

No previous platinum-based neoadjuvant therapy (pT3, pT4a, pN+)

Preferred regimen

- DDMVAC with growth factor support for 3–6 cycles^{1,2}

Other recommended regimens

- Gemcitabine and cisplatin for 4 cycles^{3,4}
- Nivolumab⁵ **Soon also Pembrolizumab?**

Previous platinum-based neoadjuvant therapy (ypT2–ypT4a or ypN+)

Other recommended regimen

- Nivolumab⁵

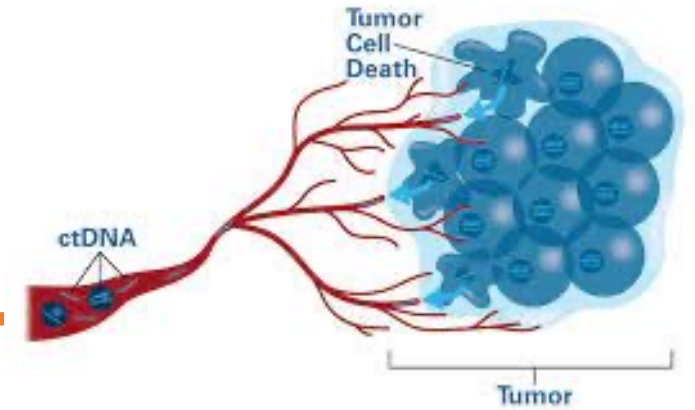
TMT/chemo-RT - what is approved

- Two phase III trials are looking at IO + TMT given radiation may be immunostimulatory and have synergistic effects with IO:
 - CRT +/- Pembrolizumab (MK-3475/KN-992)
 - CRT +/- Atezolizumab (SWOG/MRG 1806)

PRINCIPLES OF SYSTEMIC THERAPY

Radiosensitizing Chemotherapy Regimensⁱ
<u>Preferred regimens</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cisplatin^h alone^{35,39}• Low-dose gemcitabine^{32,36,37}• 5-FU and mitomycin³⁴
<u>Other recommended regimen</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cisplatin and 5-FU^{31,32}• Cisplatin and paclitaxel^{31,33}
<u>Useful in certain circumstances (not generally used for curative-intent chemoradiotherapy for organ preservation)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taxane (docetaxel or paclitaxel) (category 2B)• 5-FU (category 2B)• Capecitabine (category 3)

Role of ctDNA in MIBC



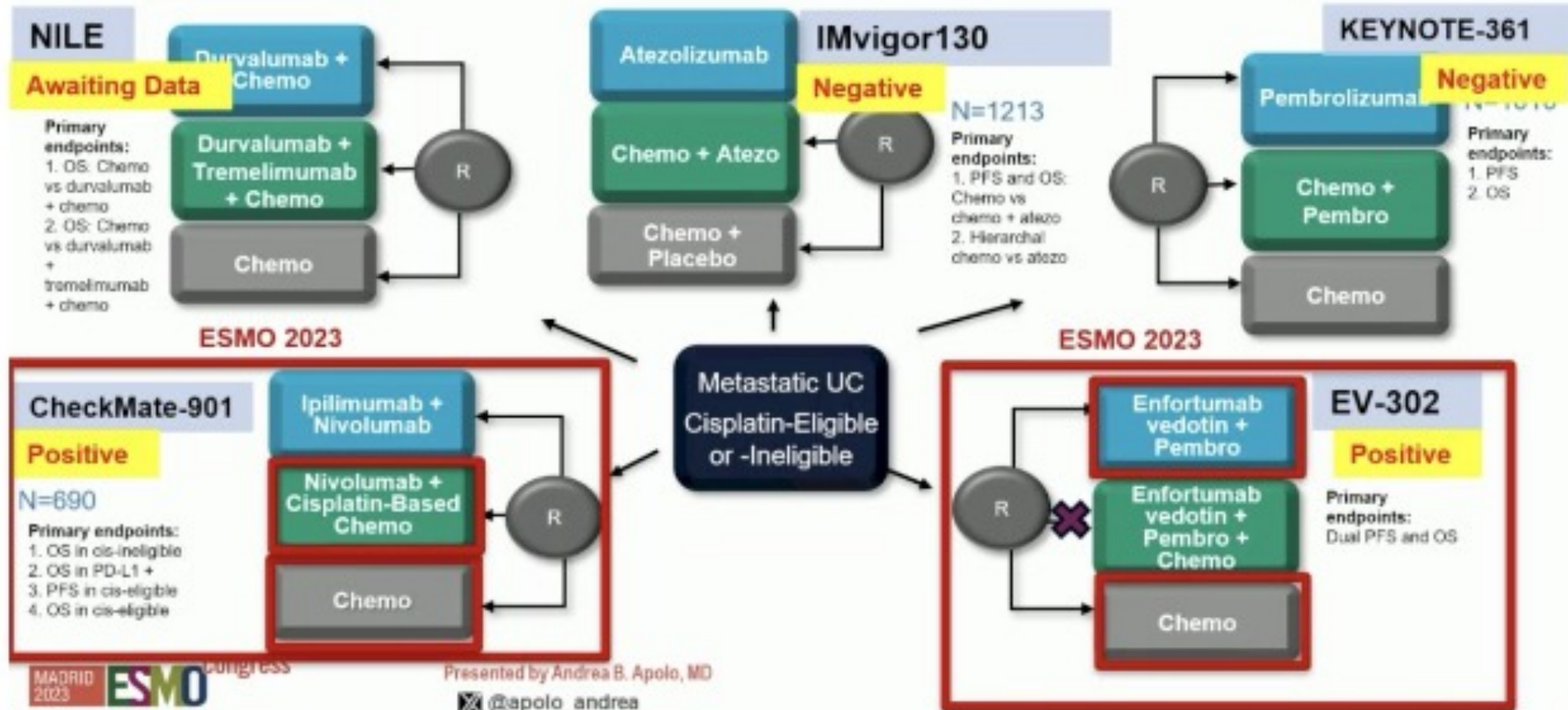
- *Lindskrog et al, Clinical Cancer Research, 2023:*
 - ctDNA status is prognostic in NAC-treated and NAC-naïve patients and outperforms pathological downstaging in predicting treatment efficacy
- *Powles et al, European Urology, 2023:*
 - Updated OS from the **IMvigor 010** trial, showing those patients who were ctDNA positive post-surgery benefited from adjuvant atezolizumab with improved DFS and OS.
 - **IMvigor 011** should result next year, which is a randomized phase III study assessing the efficacy of atezolizumab vs placebo in patients with high-risk muscle-invasive bladder cancer who are ctDNA positive post-cystectomy
- **ALLIANCE A032103 (MODERN)** is a trial that will have a risk-adaptive approach based on ctDNA in the peri-operative space

1L mUC pre-ESMO 2023

PRINCIPLES OF SYSTEMIC THERAPY

First-Line Systemic Therapy for Locally Advanced or Metastatic Disease (Stage IV)	
Cisplatin eligible	<p>Preferred regimens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gemcitabine and cisplatin⁴ (category 1) followed by avelumab maintenance therapy (category 1)^{a,11} • DDMVAC with growth factor support (category 1)^{2,8} followed by avelumab maintenance therapy (category 1)^{a,11}
Cisplatin ineligible	<p>Preferred regimens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gemcitabine and carboplatin¹² followed by avelumab maintenance therapy (category 1)^{a,11} • Pembrolizumab¹⁴ (for the treatment of patients with locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma who are not eligible for any platinum-containing chemotherapy) ★ Pembrolizumab and enfortumab vedotin-ejfv¹⁷ ★ --> accelerated FDA approval in April 2023 based on Cohort K of EV-103 <p>Other recommended regimens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gemcitabine¹⁵ • Gemcitabine and paclitaxel¹⁶ • Atezolizumab¹³ (only for patients whose tumors express PD-L1^b) (category 2B) <p>Useful under certain circumstances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ifosfamide, doxorubicin, and gemcitabine¹⁸ (for patients with good kidney function and good performance status) • Atezolizumab¹³ (only for patients who are not eligible for any platinum-containing chemotherapy regardless of PD-L1 expression) (category 3)

First-line Phase 3 Trials with Checkpoint-Inhibitor Combinations vs Platinum-based Chemo for Metastatic Urothelial Carcinoma

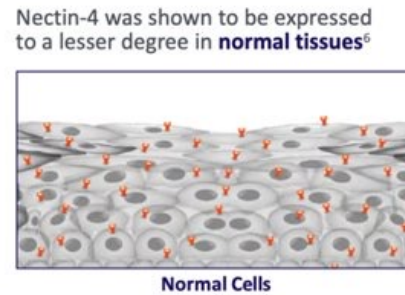
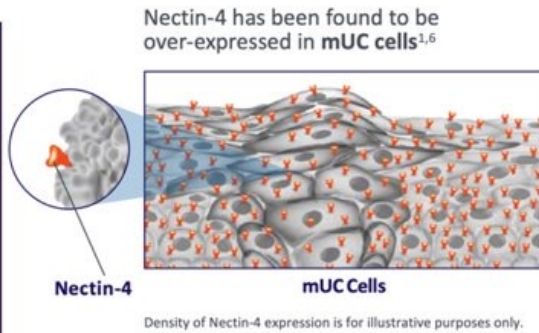


Enfortumab vedotin (EV)

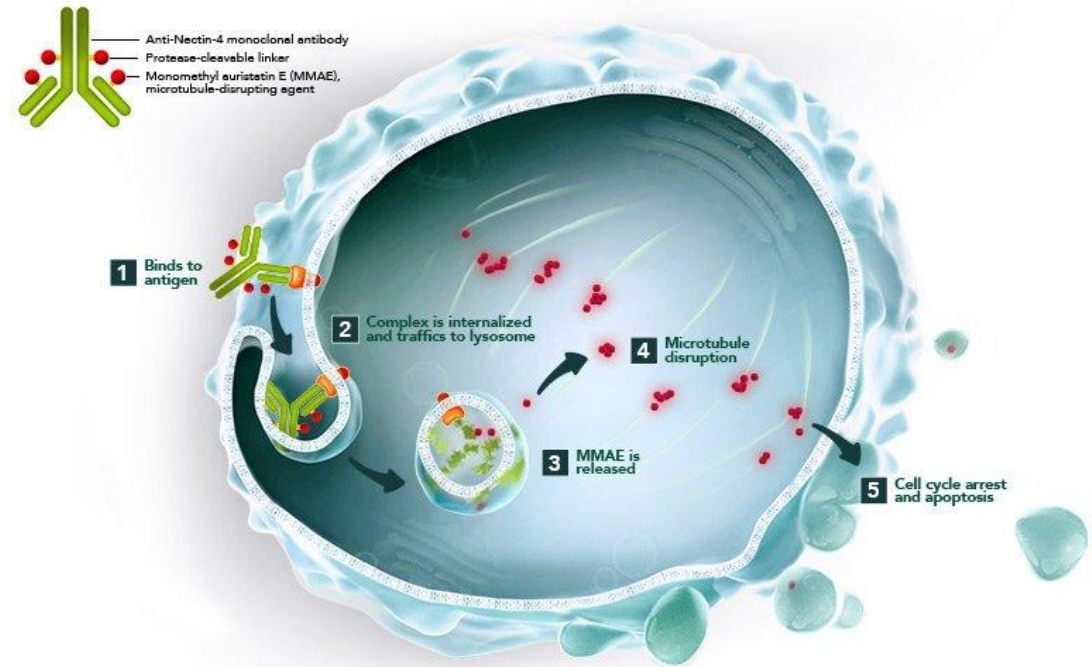
Nectin-4 Is an Adhesion Protein Located On The Surface of Cells¹

Nectin-4 is a cell adhesion molecule involved in multiple cellular processes known to be associated with oncogenesis, including²⁻⁶

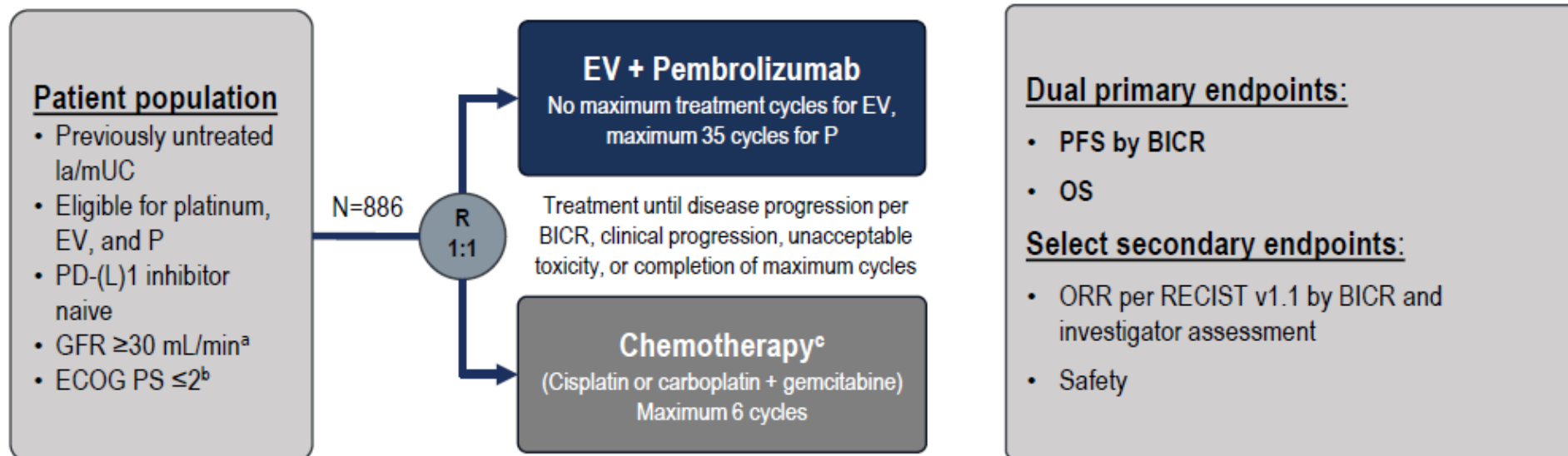
- Cell adhesion
- Migration
- Proliferation
- Differentiation
- Survival



- Normal tissues include, but are not limited to⁶
- Epithelium of the bladder
 - Skin
 - Salivary gland ducts
 - Gastrointestinal tract
 - Breast ducts



EV-302/KEYNOTE-A39 (NCT04223856)



Stratification factors: cisplatin eligibility (eligible/ineligible), PD-L1 expression (high/low), liver metastases (present/absent)

Cisplatin eligibility and assignment/dosing of cisplatin vs carboplatin were protocol-defined; patients received 3-week cycles of EV (1.25 mg/kg; IV) on Days 1 and 8 and P (200 mg; IV) on Day 1

Statistical plan for analysis: the first planned analysis was performed after approximately 526 PFS (final) and 356 OS events (interim); if OS was positive at interim, the OS interim analysis was considered final

BICR, blinded independent central review; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; GFR, glomerular filtration rate; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival; R, randomization; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors

^aMeasured by the Cockcroft-Gault formula, Modification of Diet in Renal Disease, or 24-hour urine

^bPatients with ECOG PS of 2 were required to also meet the additional criteria: hemoglobin ≥ 10 g/dL, GFR ≥ 50 mL/min, may not have NYHA class III heart failure

^cMaintenance therapy could be used following completion and/or discontinuation of platinum-containing therapy

Data cutoff: 08 Aug 2023; FPI: 7 Apr 2020, LPI: 09 Nov 2022

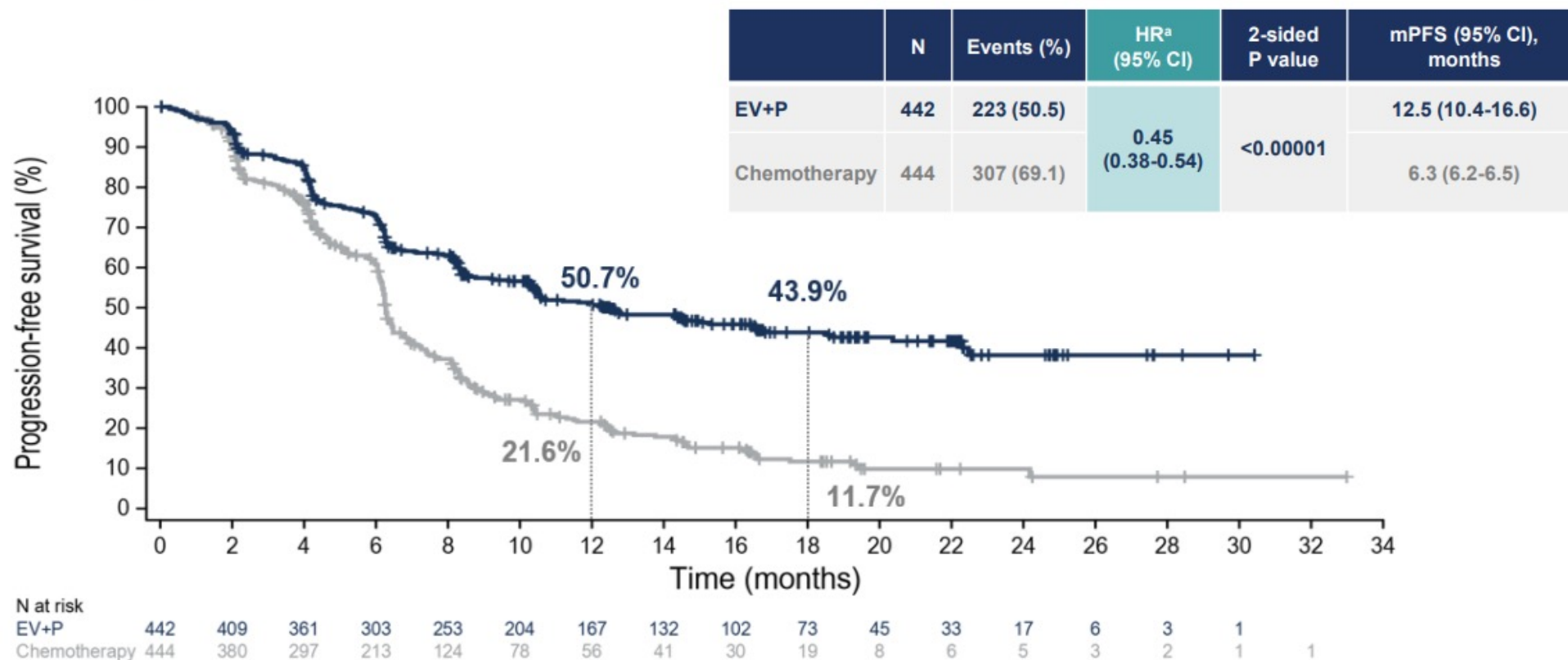


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Progression-Free Survival per BICR

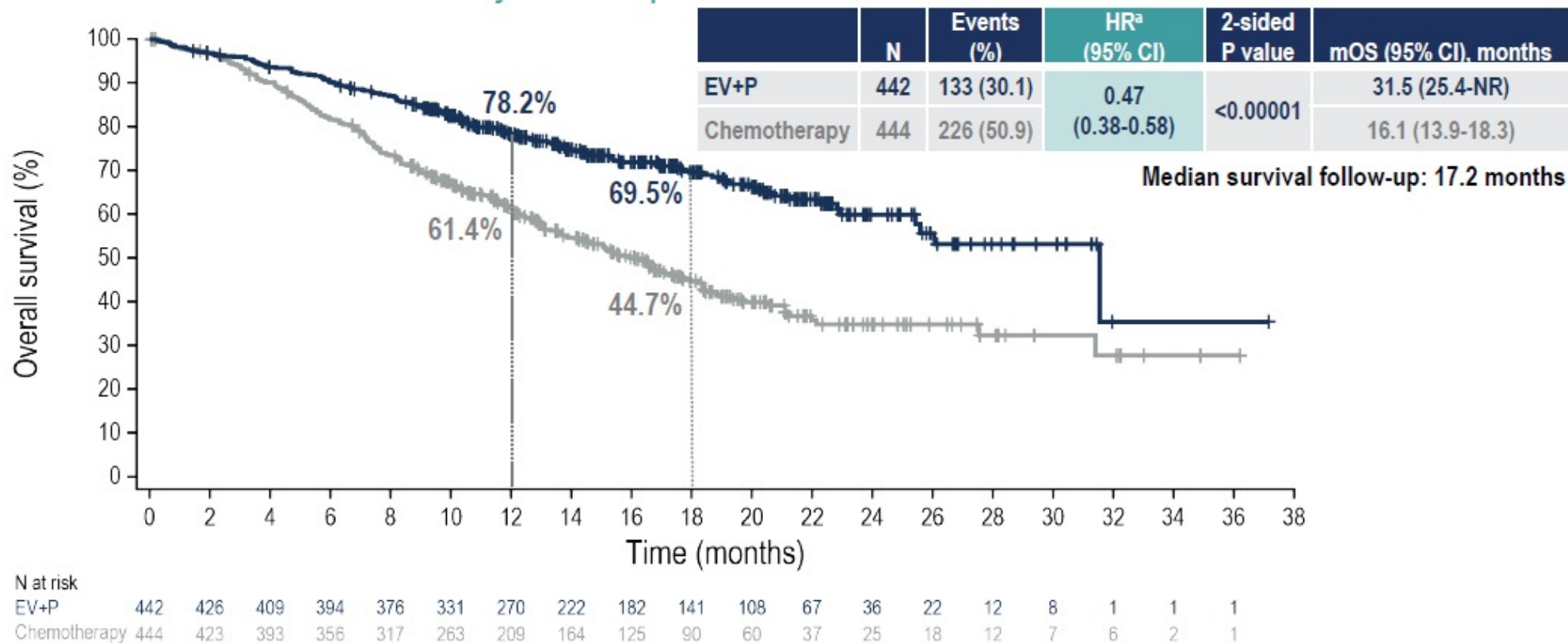
Risk of progression or death was reduced by 55% in patients who received EV+P



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Overall Survival

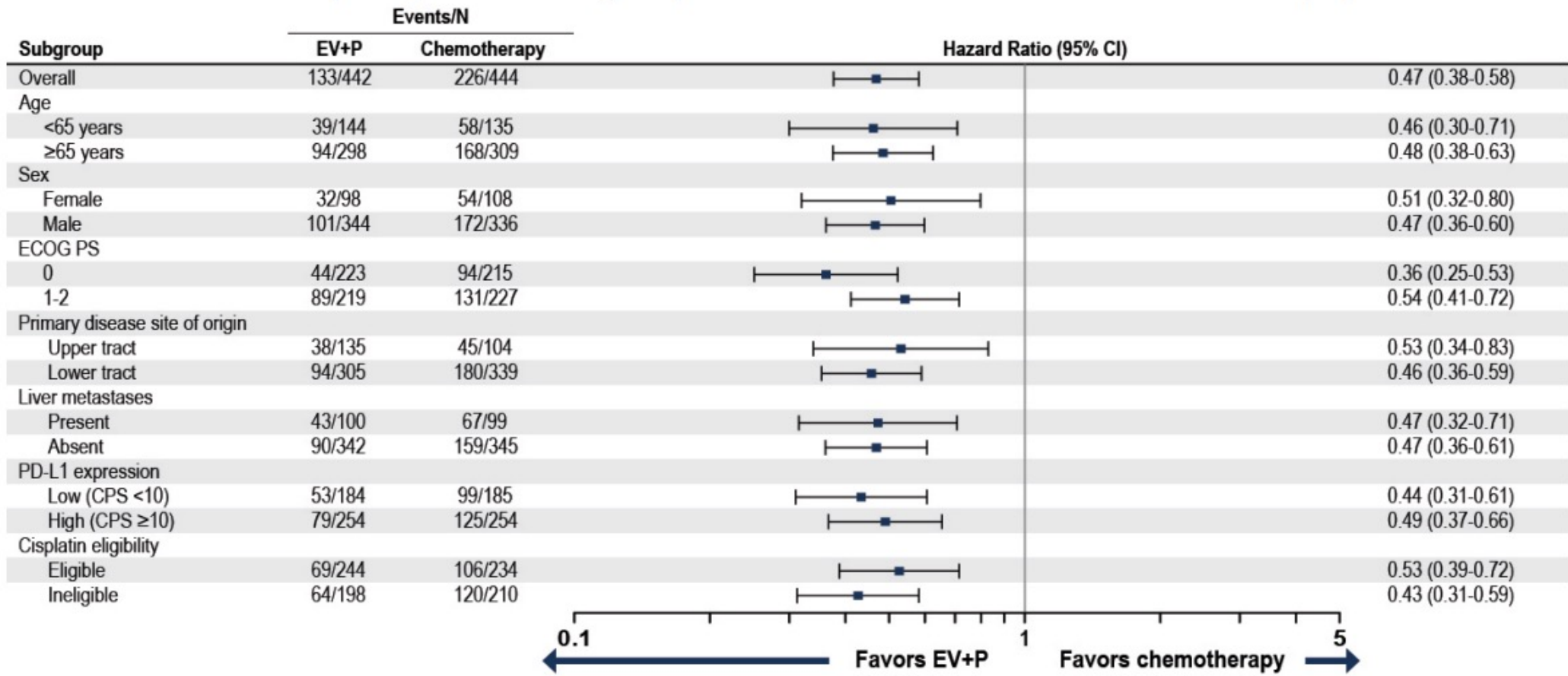
Risk of death was reduced by 53% in patients who received EV+P



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Subgroup Analysis of OS

OS benefit in select pre-specified subgroups was consistent with results in overall population



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Summary of Subsequent Systemic Therapy

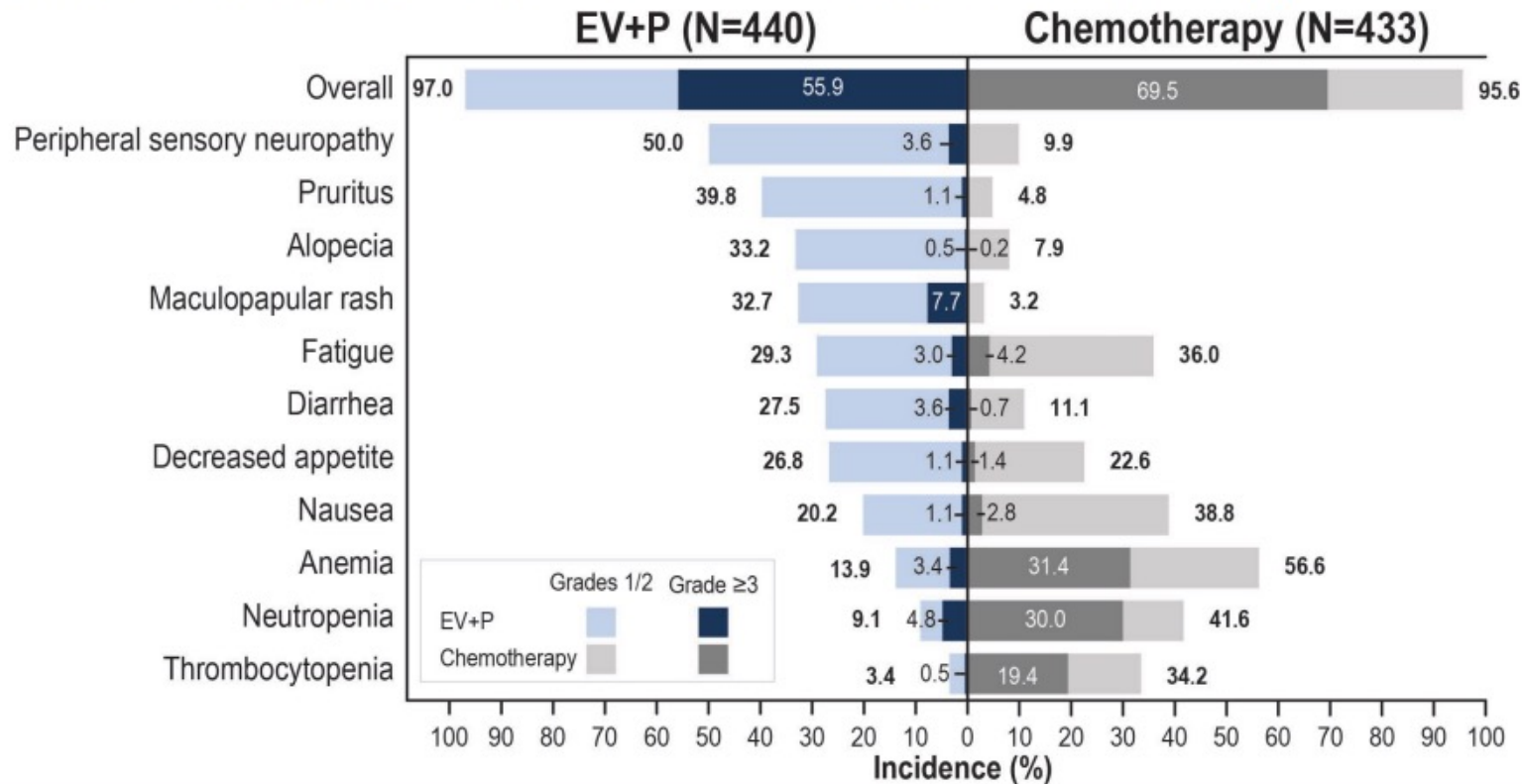
59% of patients in chemotherapy arm received subsequent PD-1/L1 inhibitors

	EV+P (N=442) n (%)	Chemotherapy (N=444) n (%)
First subsequent systemic therapy^a	128 (28.9)	294 (66.2)
Platinum-based therapy	110 (24.9)	17 (3.8)
PD-1/L1 inhibitor-containing therapy	7 (1.6)	260 (58.6)
Maintenance therapy	0	143 (32.2)
Avelumab maintenance	0	135 (30.4)
PD-1/L1 inhibitor-containing therapy following progression	7 (1.6)	117 (26.4)
Other	11 (2.5)	17 (3.8)

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Treatment-Related Adverse Events

Grade ≥ 3 events were 56% in EV+P and 70% in chemotherapy



Serious TRAEs:

- 122 (27.7%) EV+P
- 85 (19.6%) chemotherapy

TRAEs leading to death (per investigator):

EV+P: 4 (0.9%)

- Asthenia
- Diarrhea
- Immune-mediated lung disease
- Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome

Chemotherapy: 4 (0.9%)

- Febrile neutropenia
- Myocardial infarction
- Neutropenic sepsis
- Sepsis

Median number of cycles (range): 12.0 (1,46) for EV+P; 6.0 (1,6) for chemotherapy

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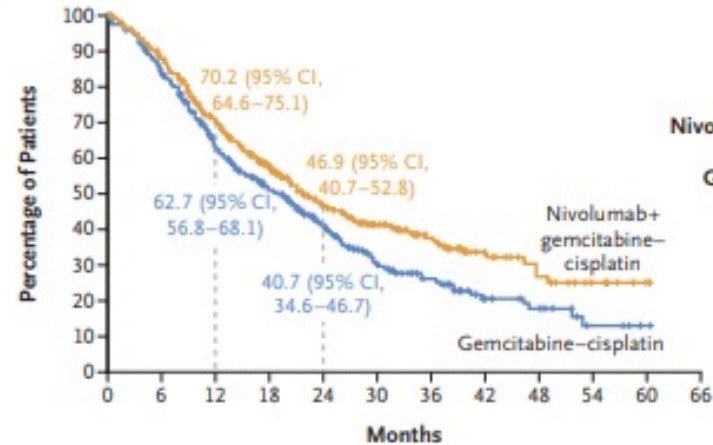
Nivolumab plus Gemcitabine–Cisplatin in Advanced Urothelial Carcinoma

Michiel S. van der Heijden, M.D., Ph.D., Guru Sonpavde, M.D., Thomas Powles, M.D., Andrea Necchi, M.D., Mauricio Burotto, M.D., Michael Schenker, M.D., Ph.D., Juan Pablo Sade, M.D., Aristotelis Barnias, M.D., Ph.D., Philippe Beuzebec, M.D., Jens Bedke, M.D., Jan Oldenburg, M.D., Ph.D., Gorkamal Chatta, M.D., et al., for the CheckMate 901 Trial Investigators*

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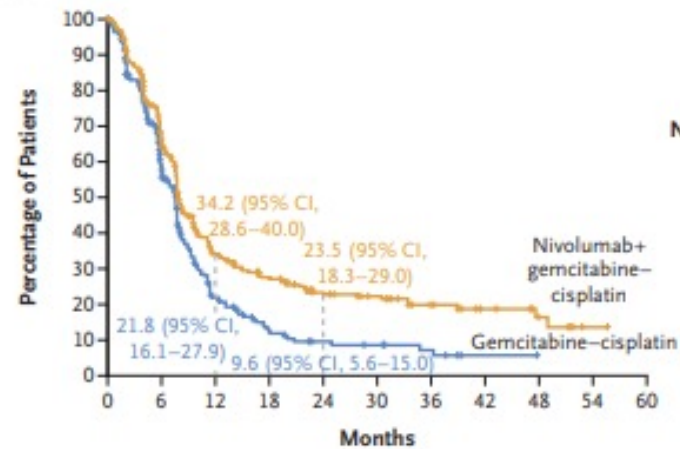


No. of Events/ No. of Patients	Median Overall Survival (95% CI) mo
Nivolumab+Gemcitabine– Cisplatin	172/304 21.7 (18.6–26.4)
Gemcitabine–Cisplatin	193/304 18.9 (14.7–22.4)
Hazard ratio for death, 0.78 (95% CI, 0.63–0.96) P=0.02	

No. at Risk

Nivolumab+gemcitabine– cisplatin	304	264	196	142	97	69	48	25	15	7	2	0
Gemcitabine–cisplatin	304	242	166	122	82	49	33	17	13	4	1	0

B Progression-free Survival

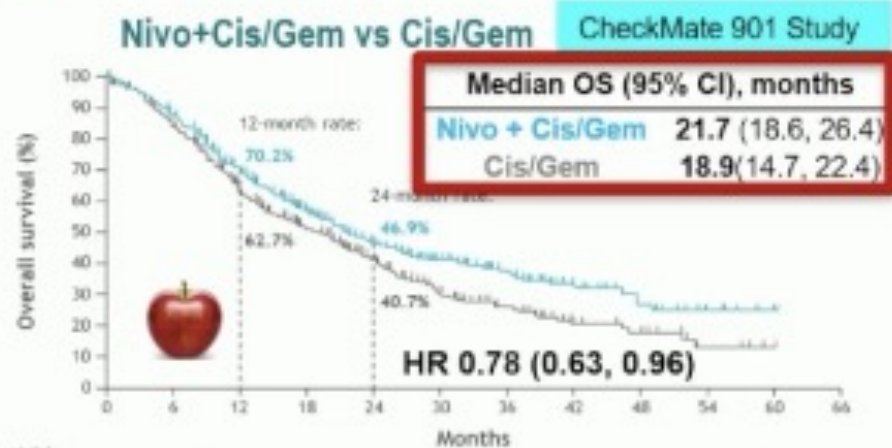


No. of Events/ No. of Patients	Median Progression-free Survival (95% CI) mo
Nivolumab+Gemcitabine– Cisplatin	211/304 7.9 (7.6–9.5)
Gemcitabine–Cisplatin	191/304 7.6 (6.1–7.8)
Hazard ratio for disease progression or death, 0.72 (95% CI, 0.59–0.88) P=0.001	

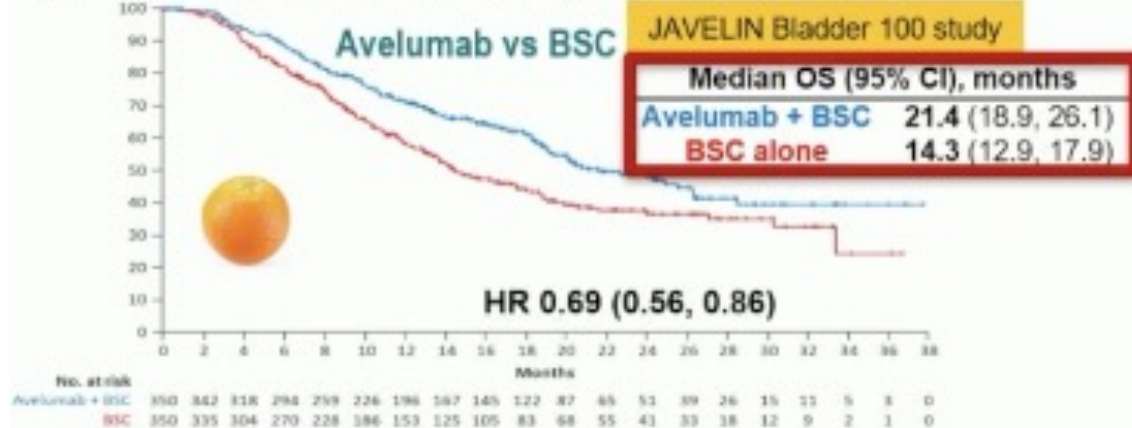
No. at Risk

Nivolumab+gemcitabine– cisplatin	304	179	82	57	41	31	19	11	6	1	0
Gemcitabine–cisplatin	304	119	35	17	10	8	5	1	0	0	0

Both sequential and combination chemo and CPI have efficacy



- We cannot directly compare these studies
- Different patient populations
- Avelumab maintenance study included only responders to 1L chemo
- Length of maintenance CPI therapy was similar: ~6 months for both



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Powles T, et al. NEJM 2020 Sep 24;383(13):1218-1230

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What would be the best 2nd line therapy?



First-Line

- Enfortumab vedotin + Pembrolizumab

Second-Line?

Cisplatin-eligible

- Cisplatin + gemcitabine
- Dose-dense methotrexate + vinblastine + doxorubicin + cisplatin (ddMVAC)

Cisplatin-ineligible

- Carboplatin + gemcitabine

Beyond-Second -Line

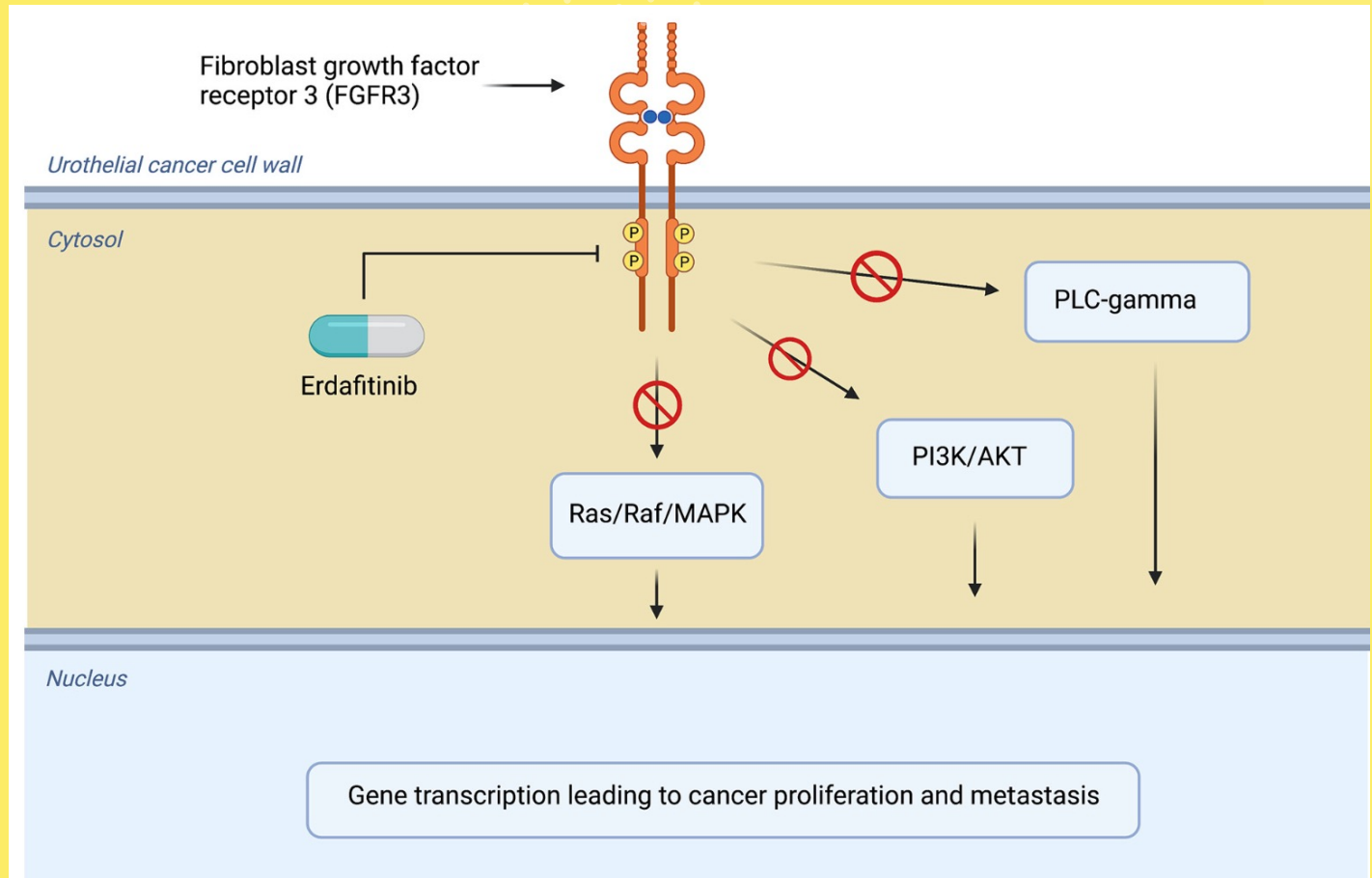
- Erdafitinib (if tumor + FGFR 2/3 genetic alterations)
- Sacituzumab govitecan
- Clinical trial
- Paclitaxel, docetaxel, or vinflunine

Disitamab vedotin for her-2+?

FGFR Pathway in mUC

- All patients should be tested for FGFR 2/3 alterations - **seen in 20% of all mUC and 30% of UTUC:**

- NGS testing of DNA and RNA
- FGFR3 mutations (R248C, S249C, G370C, or Y373C)
- Fusions (translocations): FGFR2–BICC1, FGFR2–CASP7, FGFR3–TACC3_V1, FGFR3–TACC3_V3, or FGFR3–BAIAP2L1



<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/11795549221126252>

Phase 3 THOR Study: Erdafitinib Versus Chemotherapy of Choice in Patients With Advanced Urothelial Cancer and Selected FGFR Aberrations

Cohort 1

Key eligibility criteria

- Age ≥18 years
- Metastatic or unresectable UC
- Confirmed disease progression
- Prior tx with anti-PD-(L)1
- 1-2 lines of systemic tx
- Select *FGFR3/2alt* (mutation/fusion)^a
- ECOG PS 0-2

1:1
N=266^b

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Erdafitinib (n=136)

Once-daily erdafitinib 8 mg with pharmacodynamically guided uptitration to 9 mg

Chemotherapy of Choice (n=130)

docetaxel or vinflunine once every 3 weeks

Stratification factors: region (North America vs European Union vs rest of world), ECOG PS (0 or 1 vs 2), and disease distribution (presence vs absence of visceral [lung, liver, or bone] metastases)

Primary end point:

- OS

Key secondary end points:

- PFS
- ORR
- Safety

NCT03390504

Loriot, 2023

- Demonstrated superior OS, PFS and ORR of Erdafitinib compared to single agent chemotherapy in patients with FGFR 3/2 alterations

^aMolecular eligibility can be confirmed using either central or local historical *FGFR* test results (Qiagen assay). If a patient was enrolled based on local historical testing, a tissue sample must still be submitted at the time of enrollment for retrospective confirmation (by central lab) of *FGFR* status. Tumors must have ≥1 of the following translocations: *FGFR2-BICC1*, *FGFR2-CASP7*, *FGFR3-TACC3_V1*, *FGFR3-TACC3_V3*, *FGFR3-BAIAP2L1*; or 1 of the following *FGFR3* gene mutations: R248C, S249C, G370C, Y373C.

^bNumber of patients randomized at the time of the interim analysis (data cutoff January 15, 2023).

ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; FGFR, fibroblast growth factor receptor; *FGFR3/2alt*, *FGFR3/2* alterations; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PD-1, programmed cell death protein 1; PD-L1, programmed death-ligand 1; Q3W, every 3 weeks; tx, treatment; UC, urothelial cancer.



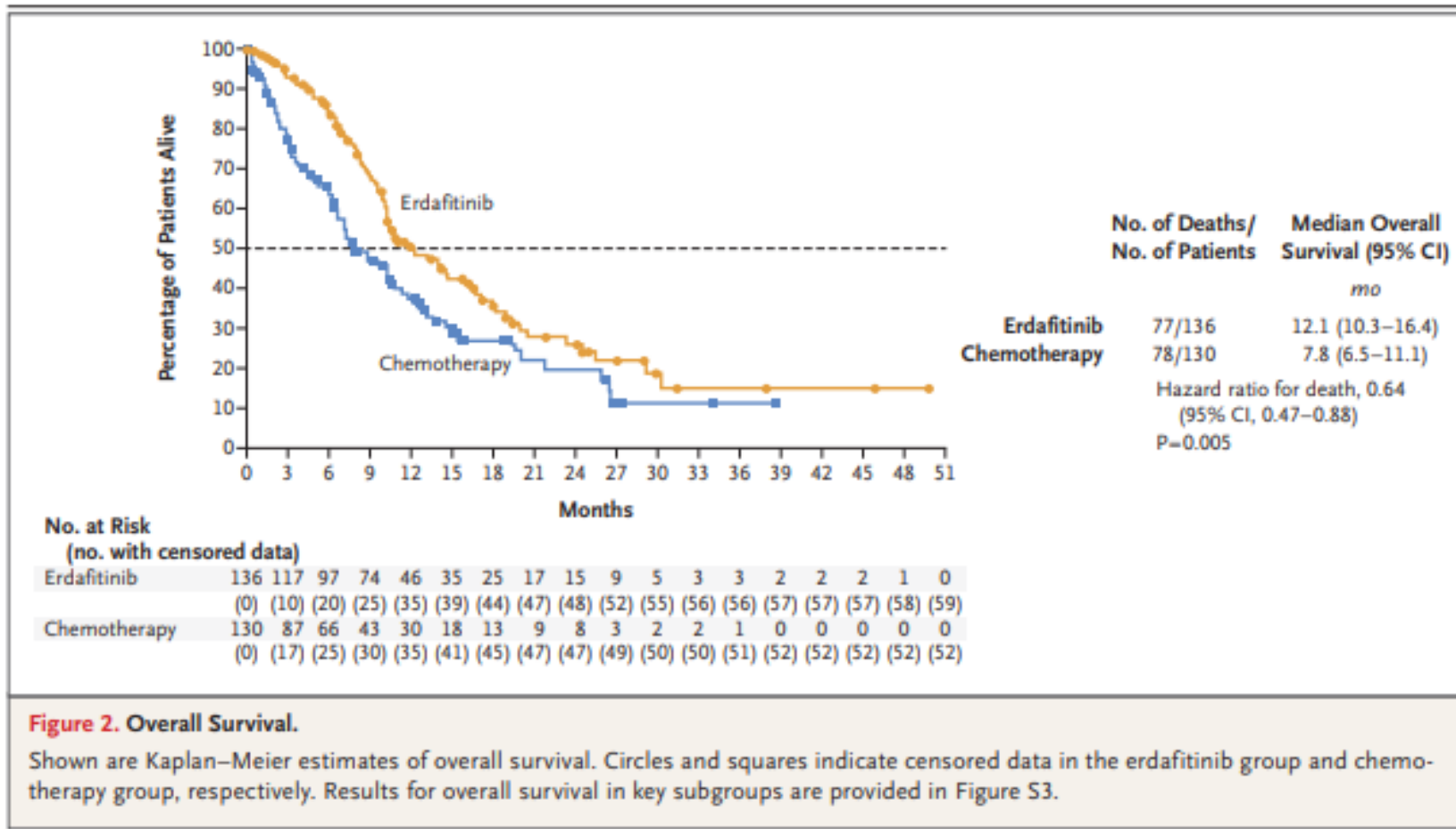
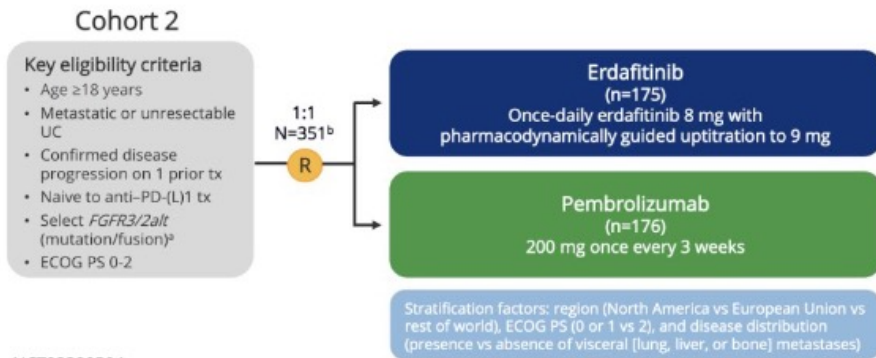


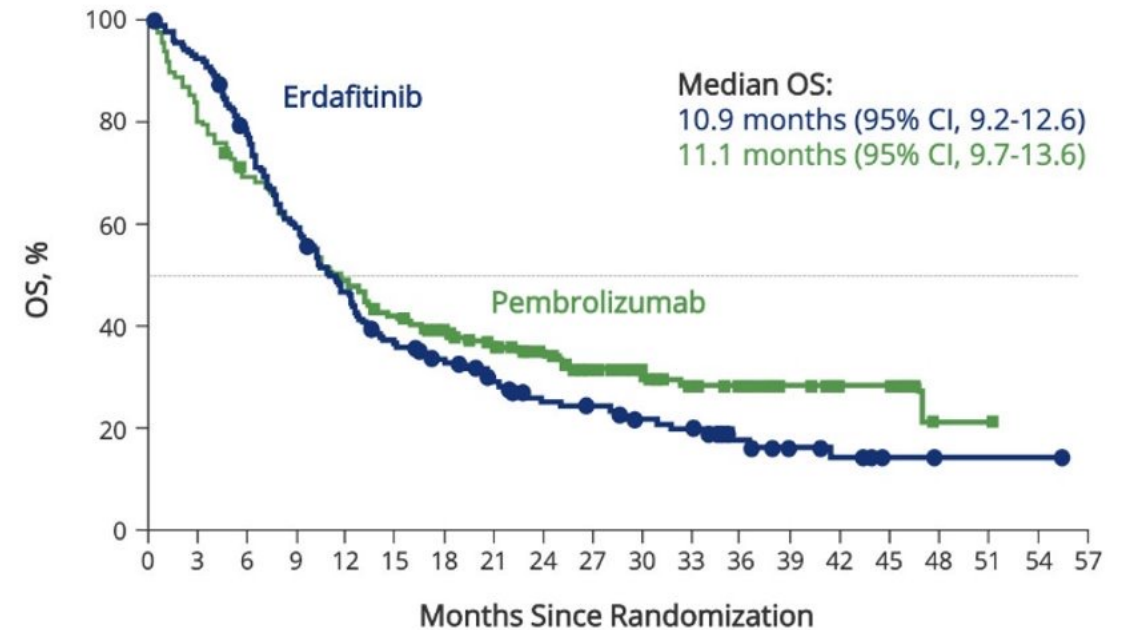
Figure 2. Overall Survival.

Shown are Kaplan–Meier estimates of overall survival. Circles and squares indicate censored data in the erdafitinib group and chemotherapy group, respectively. Results for overall survival in key subgroups are provided in Figure S3.

THOR Cohort 2



- Primary end point**
- OS
- Secondary end points**
- PFS
 - ORR
 - Safety



	No. at risk																			
	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57
Erdafitinib	175	160	131	100	78	60	52	41	30	28	23	21	13	9	7	2	1	1	1	0
Pembrolizumab	176	148	119	103	84	72	60	52	43	34	29	23	19	11	8	8	1	1	0	0

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NORSE Trial –

NORSE
FGFR3 mut/fusions

- Erdafitinib
- Erdafitinib + Cetrelimab

Conclusions: Combination ERDA+CET demonstrated clinically meaningful activity and was well tolerated. These results, in 1L cis-ineligible pts, support previously described activity of ERDA monotherapy in FGFRa mUC. The safety profile was consistent with the known profile for ERDA and CET with no additive toxicity for the combination. Clinical trial information: [NCT03473743](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03473743).

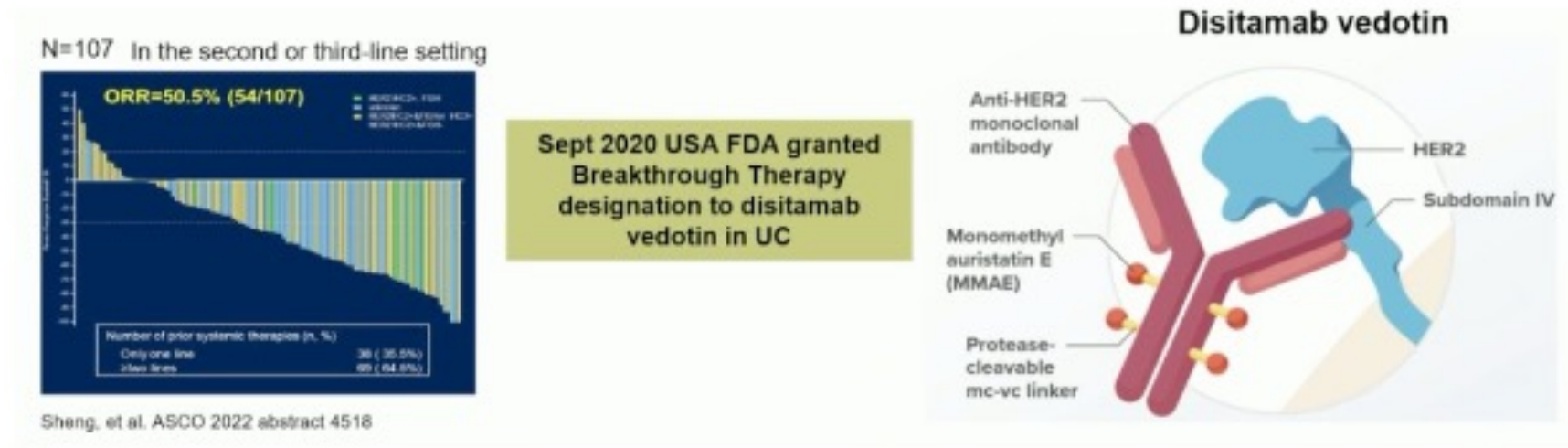
	ERDA+CET (n=44)	ERDA (n=43)
ORR, % (95% CI)	54.5 (38.8, 69.6)	44.2 (29.1, 60.1)
Confirmed CR, n (%)	6 (13.6)	1 (2.3)
DCR, % (95% CI)	79.5 (64.7, 90.2)	88.4 (74.9, 96.1)
Median DOR (95% CI), mo	11.10 (8.77, NE)	9.72 (4.60, NE)
Median PFS (95% CI), mo	10.97 (5.45, 13.63)	5.62 (4.34, 7.36)

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Her-2 in mUC

- Expression level of HER2 in UC : 48% with overexpression and approximately 20% with low expression (*Fleischmann et al., 2011; Yorozu et al., 2020*)

Another antibody drug conjugate with an MMAE payload is disitamab vedotin, which targets HER2. In September 2020, this drug was granted US FDA breakthrough therapy designation for urothelial carcinoma in the 2nd or 3rd line settings.



Similar to EV + pembrolizumab, it appears that the combination of disitamab vedotin + toripalimab (anti-PD-1) is associated with promising efficacy outcomes in HER2+ metastatic urothelial carcinoma patients.

Phase III study (NCT04264936) ongoing

RCC Updates Outline

1. Adjuvant RCC

- Survival data for KN-564

2. Metastatic RCC 1L

- Updates on CLEAR (pembro/lenva) and KN-426 (axi/pembro)
- The future including HIF2-alpha

3. Metastatic RCC 2L+

- CONTACT03: no role for rechallenge with IO
- HIF2-alpha

Adjuvant Therapy for RCC

STAGE	PRIMARY TREATMENT ^{c,d}	ADJUVANT TREATMENT	F
Stage I (T1a)	Partial nephrectomy (preferred) or Ablative techniques or Active surveillance or Radical nephrectomy (in select patients)	Surveillance ^e	
Stage I (T1b)	Partial nephrectomy or Radical nephrectomy or Active surveillance (in select patients) or Ablative techniques (in select patients)		
Stage II	Partial nephrectomy or Radical nephrectomy	Adjuvant pembrolizumab (Grade 4 tumors with clear cell histology ± sarcomatoid features) or Surveillance ^e	
Stage III	Radical nephrectomy or Partial nephrectomy, if clinically indicated	Clear cell histology: Adjuvant pembrolizumab or Surveillance ^e or Adjuvant sunitinib (category 3) Non-clear cell histology: Surveillance ^e or clinical trial	
Stage IV			KID-2

Phase 3 KEYNOTE-564 Meets its Secondary Endpoint in RCC

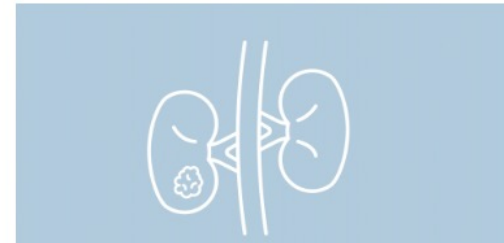
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Chris Ryan

News Article



Adjuvant pembrolizumab improved overall survival vs placebo in patients with renal cell carcinoma at intermediate-high or high risk of recurrence.



Merck has announced that adjuvant pembrolizumab (Keytruda) has met its key secondary end point of the phase 3 KEYNOTE-564 trial (NCT03142334), improving overall survival (OS) over placebo in patients with renal cell carcinoma (RCC) at intermediate-high or high risk of recurrence following nephrectomy, or following nephrectomy and resection of metastatic lesions.

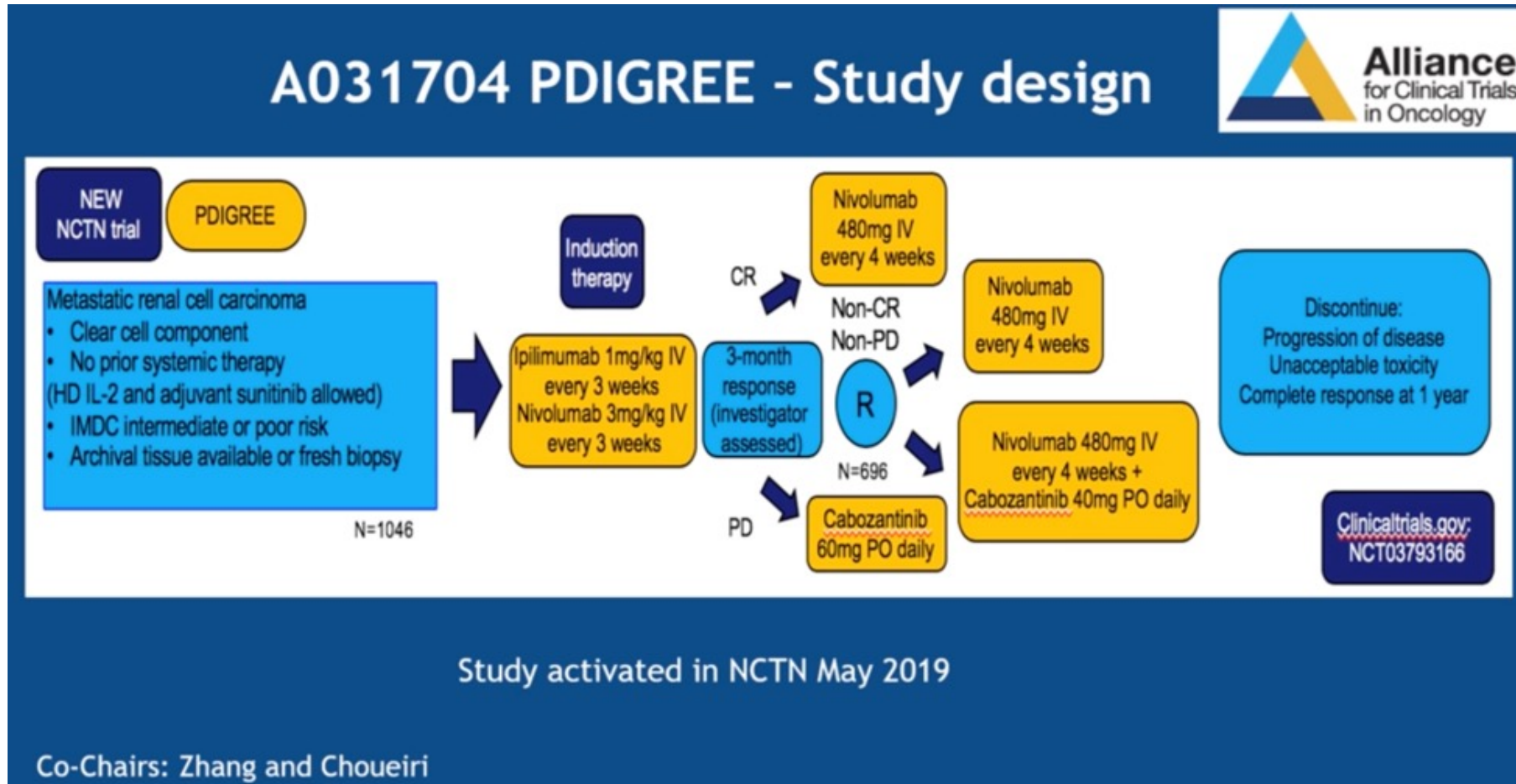
1L Systemic Therapies for RCC

FIRST-LINE THERAPY FOR CLEAR CELL HISTOLOGY	
Risk	Preferred Regimens
Favorable ^a	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Axitinib + pembrolizumab^b (category 1)• Cabozantinib + nivolumab^b (category 1)• Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab^b (category 1)
Poor/ intermediate ^a	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Axitinib + pembrolizumab^b (category 1)• Cabozantinib + nivolumab^b (category 1)• Ipilimumab + nivolumab^b (category 1)• Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab^b (category 1)• Cabozantinib

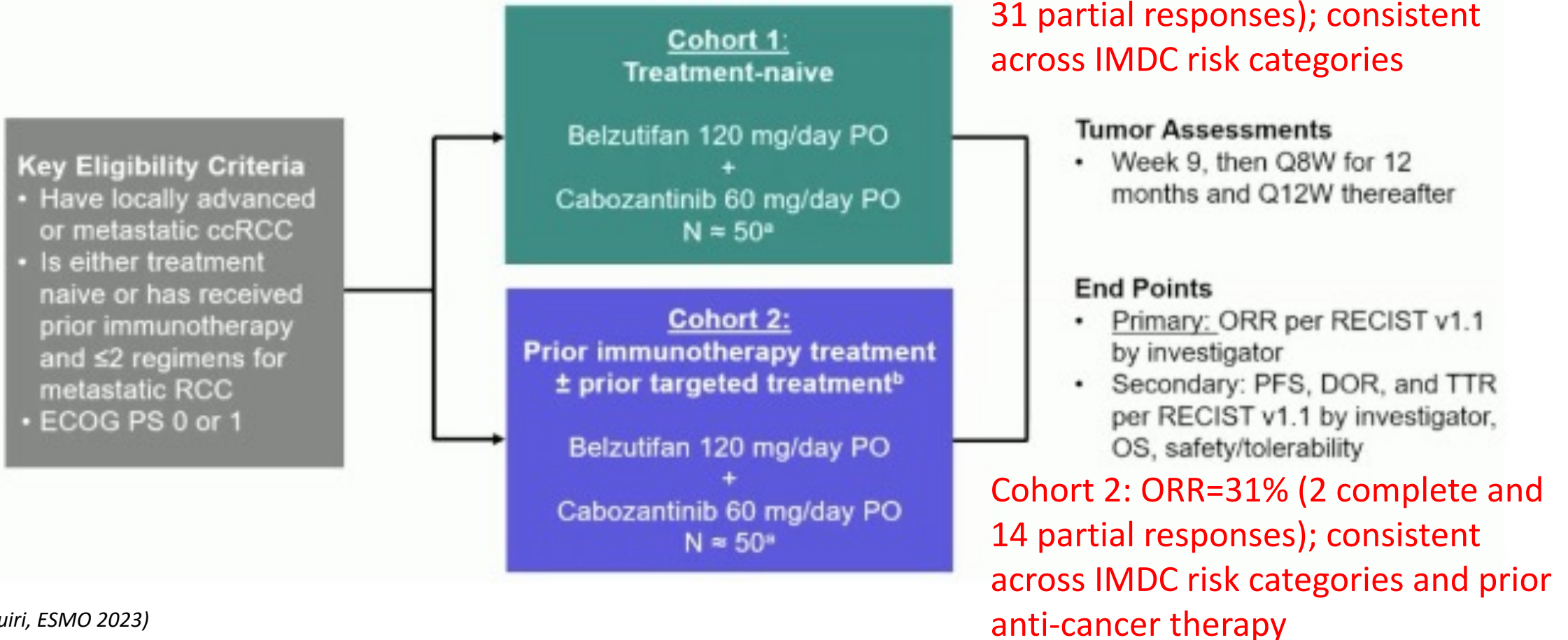
- ASCO 2023: updates on **CLEAR** (**pembro/lenva**) and **KN-426** (**axi/pembro**) reaffirm its use, but IO/TKI do not lead to durable responses or cure for most patients, but best option if require a **rapid response**
- For **sarcomatoid** features or aim for **durable response** -> favor **ipi/nivo**

(Braun, ASCO 2023)

The future of 1L Systemic Therapies for RCC – PDIGREE – An Adaptive Phase III Trial



Study Design of LITESPARK-003 (NCT03634540)



(Choeuri, ESMO 2023)

2L+ Systemic Therapies for RCC

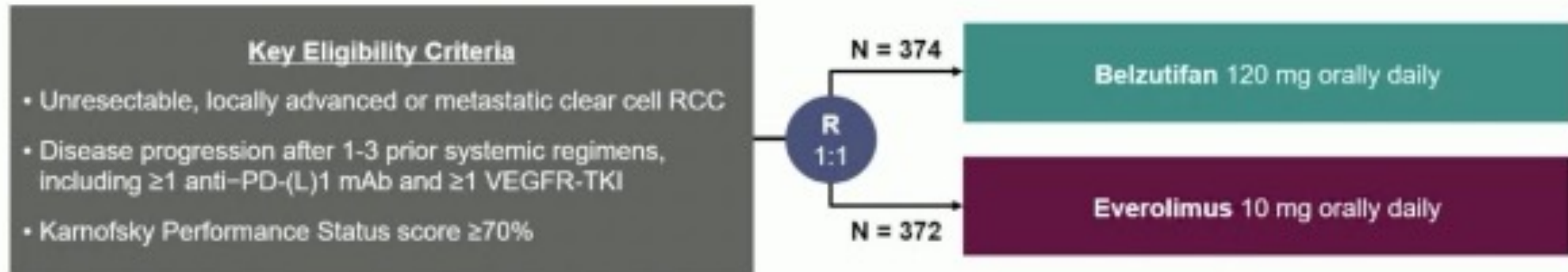
SUBSEQUENT THERAPY FOR CLEAR CELL HISTOLOGY (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER BY CATEGORY)			
Immuno-oncology (IO) Therapy History Status	Preferred Regimens	Other Recommended Regimens	Useful in Certain Circumstances
IO Therapy Naïve	• None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axitinib + pembrolizumab^b • Cabozantinib • Cabozantinib + nivolumab^b • Ipilimumab + nivolumab^b • Lenvatinib + everolimus • Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab^b • Nivolumab^b 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axitinib • Everolimus • Pazopanib • Sunitinib • Tivozanib^f • Belzutifan (category 2B) • Bevacizumab^g (category 2B) • High-dose IL-2 for selected patients^d (category 2B) • Temezirolimus^e (category 2B) • Axitinib + avelumab^b (category 3)
Prior IO Therapy	• None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axitinib • Cabozantinib • Lenvatinib + everolimus • Tivozanib^f 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axitinib + pembrolizumab^b • Cabozantinib + nivolumab^b • Everolimus • Ipilimumab + nivolumab^b • Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab^b • Pazopanib • Sunitinib • Belzutifan (category 2B) • Bevacizumab^g (category 2B) • High-dose IL-2 for selected patients^d (category 2B) • Temezirolimus^e (category 2B) • Axitinib + avelumab^b (category 3)

- **CONTACT-03** (ASCO 2023): no role of re-challenge with ICI+TKI in patients who have received previous ICI – addition of atezolizumab to cabozantinib did NOT improved response or PFS vs cabozantinib alone

(Choueiri, ASCO 2023)

Trials in 2L+ mRCC

LITESPARK-005 Study (NCT04195750)



Stratification Factors

- IMDC prognostic score²: 0 vs 1-2 vs 3-6
- Prior VEGF/VEGFR-targeted therapies: 1 vs 2-3

Dual Primary Endpoints:

- PFS per RECIST 1.1 by BICR
- OS

Key Secondary Endpoint:

- ORR per RECIST 1.1 by BICR

Other Secondary Endpoints Include:

- DOR per RECIST 1.1 by BICR
- Safety
- Time to deterioration in FKSI-DRS and EORTC QLQ-C30 GHS/QoL

LITESPARK-005

Primary Endpoint: OS



- **Belzutifan** with significant improvement in progression-free survival and objective response rate versus **everolimus**
 - Overall survival difference has *not reached* statistical significance; final analysis is pending
- Well tolerated - **Quality of life** as assessed by FKSI-DRS and QLQ30
GHS/QoL **favoured belzutifan**
- Established role of HIF-2a in advanced RCC, ongoing phase 3 studies in adjuvant, 1L and 2L setting

(Albiges, ESMO 2023)

Thank You.

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