

# Immunotherapy in Hepatocellular Carcinoma

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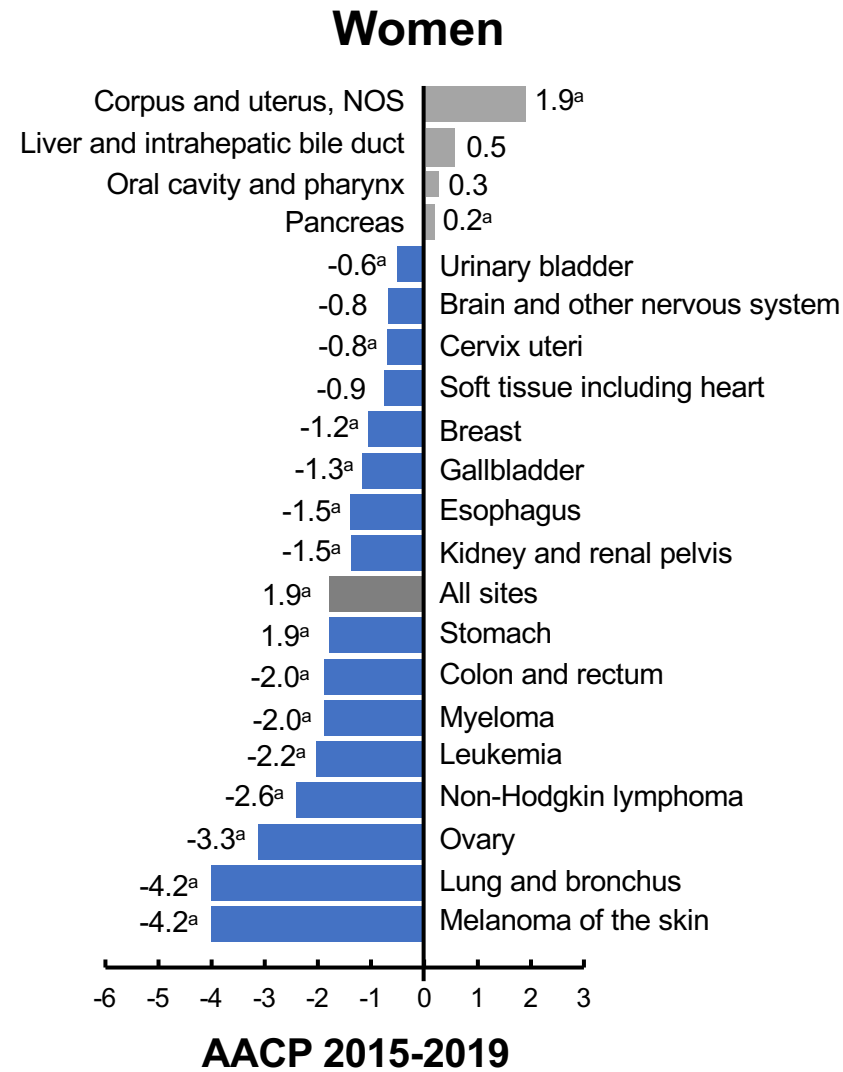
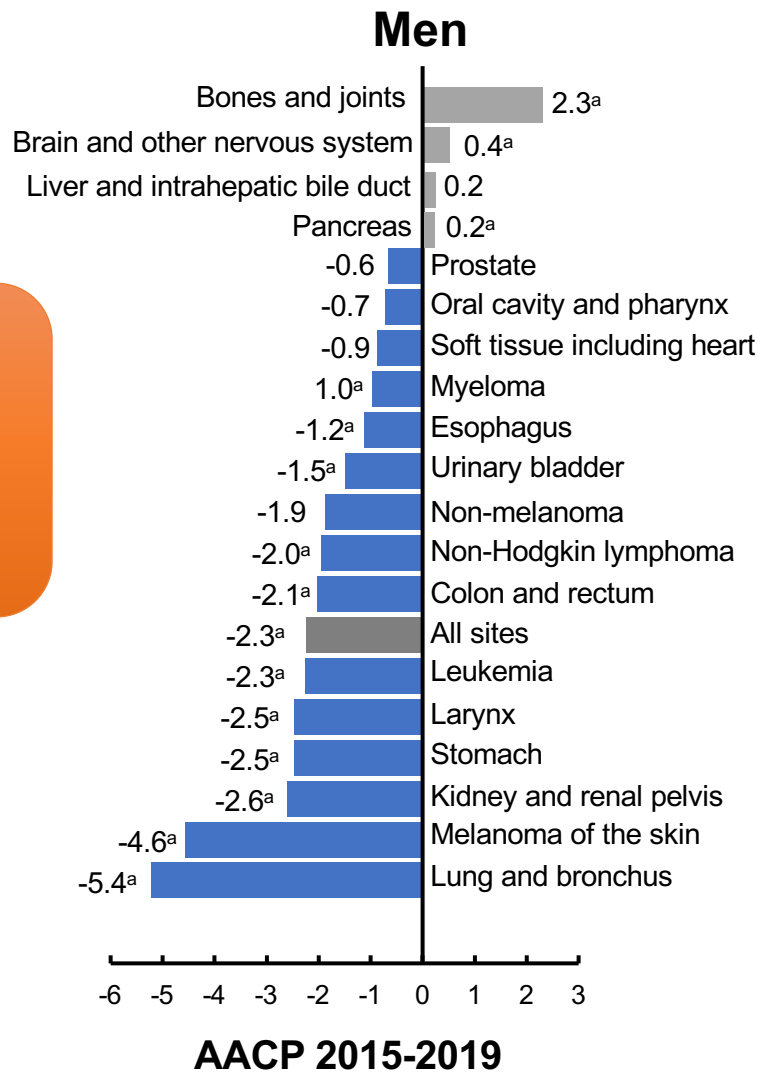
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# HCC Mortality in the United States Is Increasing

**HCC is one of the top drivers of cancer death in the United States (2022 Annual Report)**



# HCC Mortality Is Increasing Globally



905,700 people were diagnosed with liver cancer in 2020



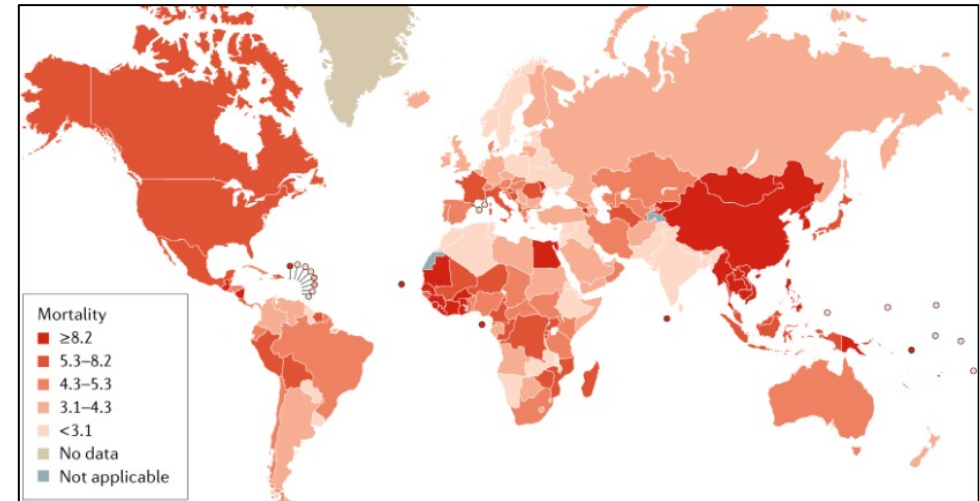
830,200 people died from liver cancer in 2020



Liver cancer ranked **among the top 3 causes of cancer death** in 46 countries in 2020



The number of people diagnosed with or dying from liver cancer globally **could increase by >55% between 2020 and 2040** if current rates do not change



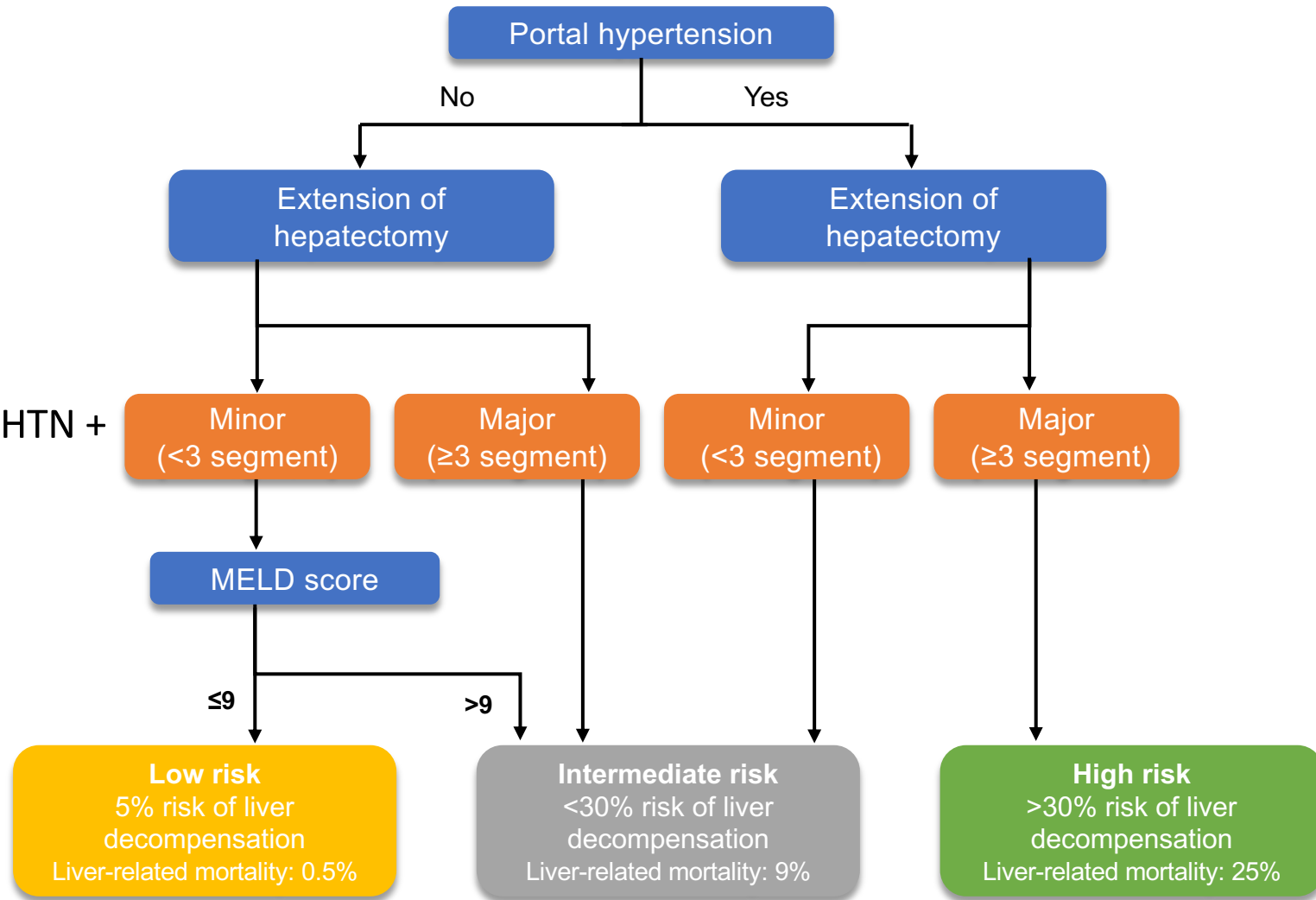
# Most Early-Stage HCCs Have an Immunosuppressive Microenvironment

| HCC Immune Classes                            | Immune Class (~30% of HCCs)                                      |                                 | Immune Intermediate Class (45% of HCCs)         | Immune Excluded Class (~25% of HCCs)    |
|---|--|---------------------------------|---|---|
| Immune subtypes                               | Active immune (~20% of HCCs)                                     | Exhausted immune (~10% of HCCs) |   |   |
| Gene expression and enrichment for signatures | ↑ T cells, cytotoxic cells, TLS, macrophages, and PD-1 signaling |                                 |   | ↓ T cells, B cells, and cytotoxic cells |
|   | <i>IFN<math>\gamma</math></i> , <i>GZMB</i> , and <i>PRF1</i>    | Activated stroma                |   | ↑ <i>PTK2</i>                           |
|   | Signatures of response to immunotherapy                          | TGF $\beta$                     |   | <i>CCL4</i>                             |
|   |  | T-cell exhaustion               |   |   |
| DNA structural alterations                    | ↓ chromosomal aberrations  |                                 | ↑ chromosomal aberrations                       |   |
| • Copy number variations<br>• Mutations       |  |                                 | <i>CTNNB1</i>                                   |   |
| Protein immunohistology                       | ↑ immune cell infiltration, PD-1/PD-L1, and TLS                  |                                 | ↓ immune cell infiltration, PD-1/PD-L1, and TLS |   |
| Epigenetic aberrations                        | 192 immune-related genes differentially methylated               |                                 |   |   |

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# Hepatic Resection

- **Guidelines recommend resection only for**
  - Single nodules, *ANY* size
  - No *clinically significant portal HTN* (CSPH = HVPG  $\geq 10$  mmHg)
    - + EV; platelets  $< 100,000$  mm<sup>3</sup>; or spleen  $> 12$  cm
  - Bilirubin  $< 1$  mg/dL
  - 5-y OS: 70%; OS significantly less if CSP HTN + bilirubin  $> 1$  mg/dL
- **Future liver remnant**
  - $\geq 20\%$  normal liver
  - $\geq 30\%$  with fibrosis or steatosis
  - **$\geq 40\%$  in cirrhosis**



# HCC Recurrence Rate Is 70%-80% Post Resection

## Factors Associated With Outcomes

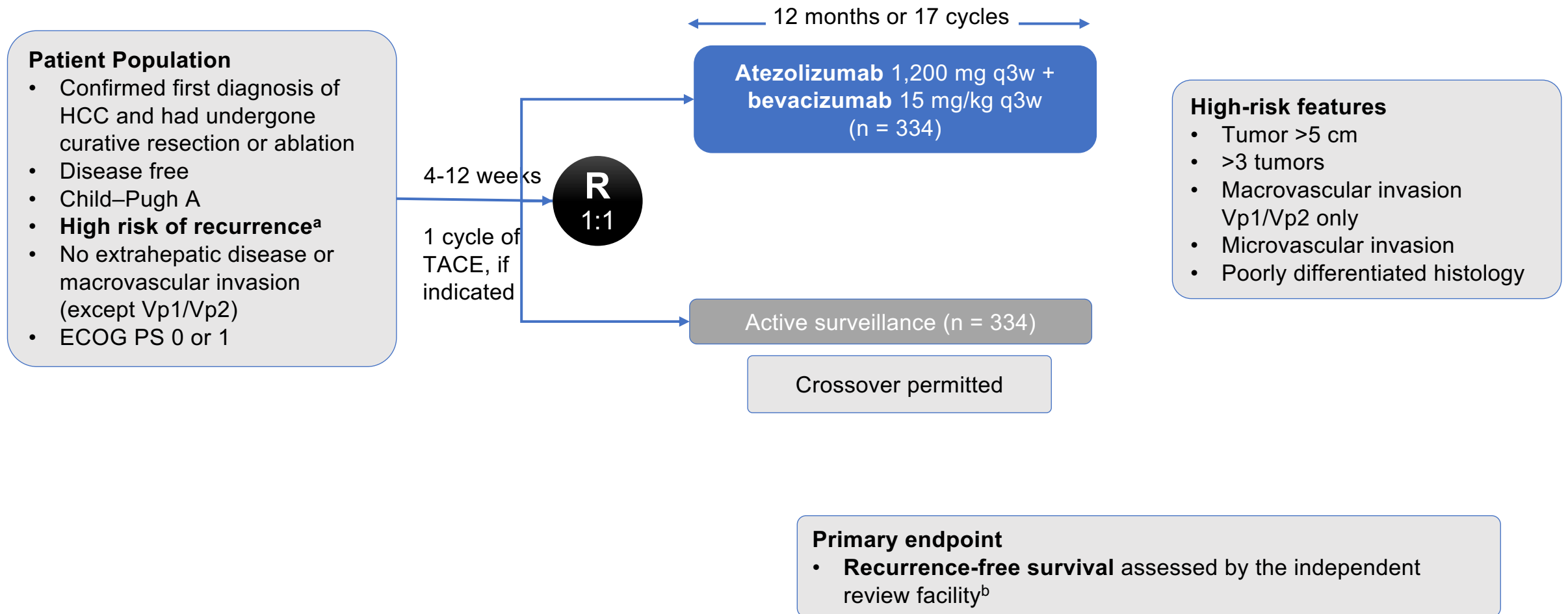
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| # of nodules (5-y OS) <sup>1</sup>       | Single: 57%                      | ≥3: 26%                          |
| Tumor size (5-y recurrence) <sup>2</sup> | <5 cm: 32%                       | >5 cm: 43%                       |
| Tumor-free margin (5-y OS) <sup>3</sup>  | 2 cm: 75%                        | 1 cm: 49%                        |
| Blood loss (median OS) <sup>4</sup>      | <1L: 68 months<br><2L: 49 months | >1L: 18 months<br>>2L: 13 months |

**Sorafenib did not work in  
the adjuvant setting**

Fabricio Souza, Marie-Aude Le Berre, Gerold Meinhardt, Josep M Llovet\*, on behalf of the STORM investigators

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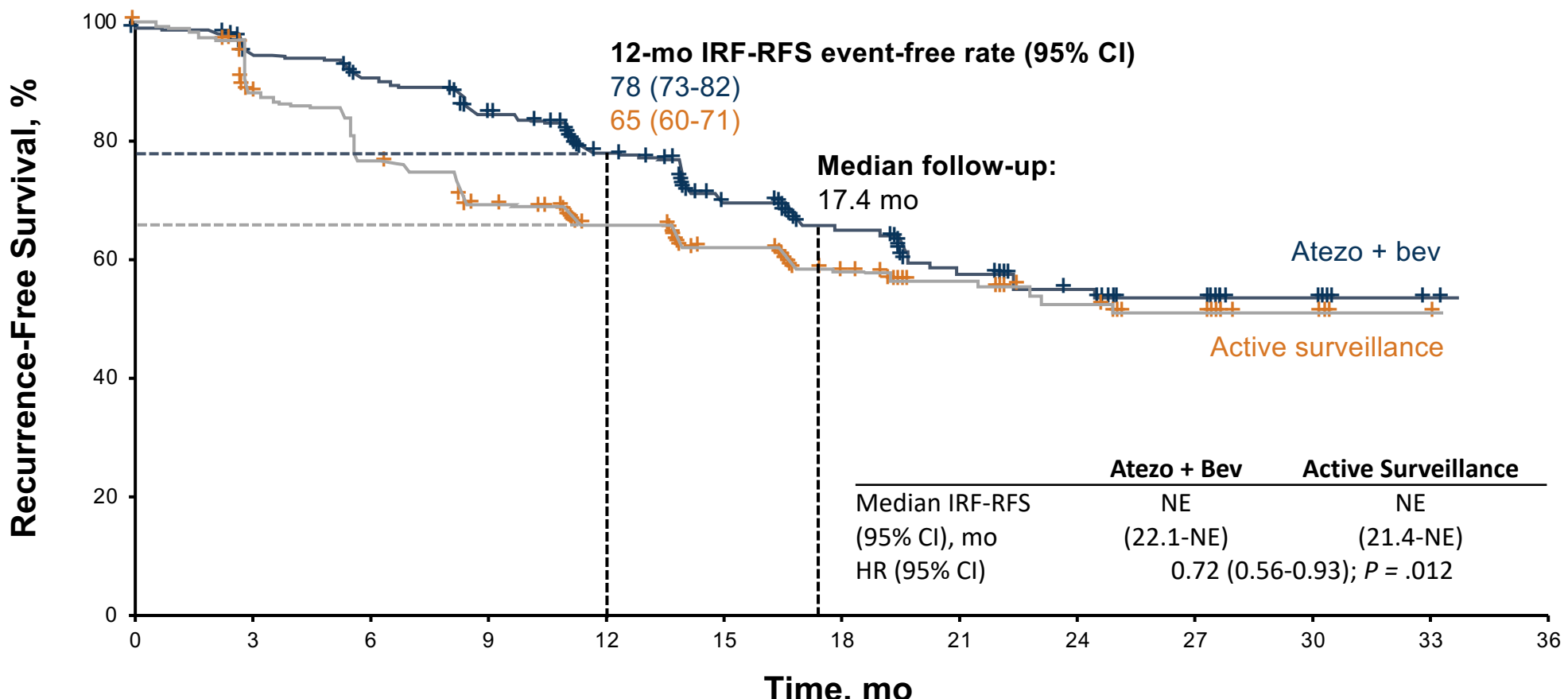
# IMbrave050: Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab as Adjuvant Therapy for HCC With High Recurrence Risk



<sup>a</sup> High-risk feature include: tumor >5 cm, >3 tumors, microvascular invasion, minor macrovascular invasion Vp1/Vp2, or Grade 3/4 pathology. <sup>b</sup> Intrahepatic recurrence defined by EASL criteria. Extrahepatic recurrence defined by RECIST 1.1. <sup>c</sup> APAC excluding Japan vs rest of world.

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# Adjuvant Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab in HCC: RFS Was Significantly Improved



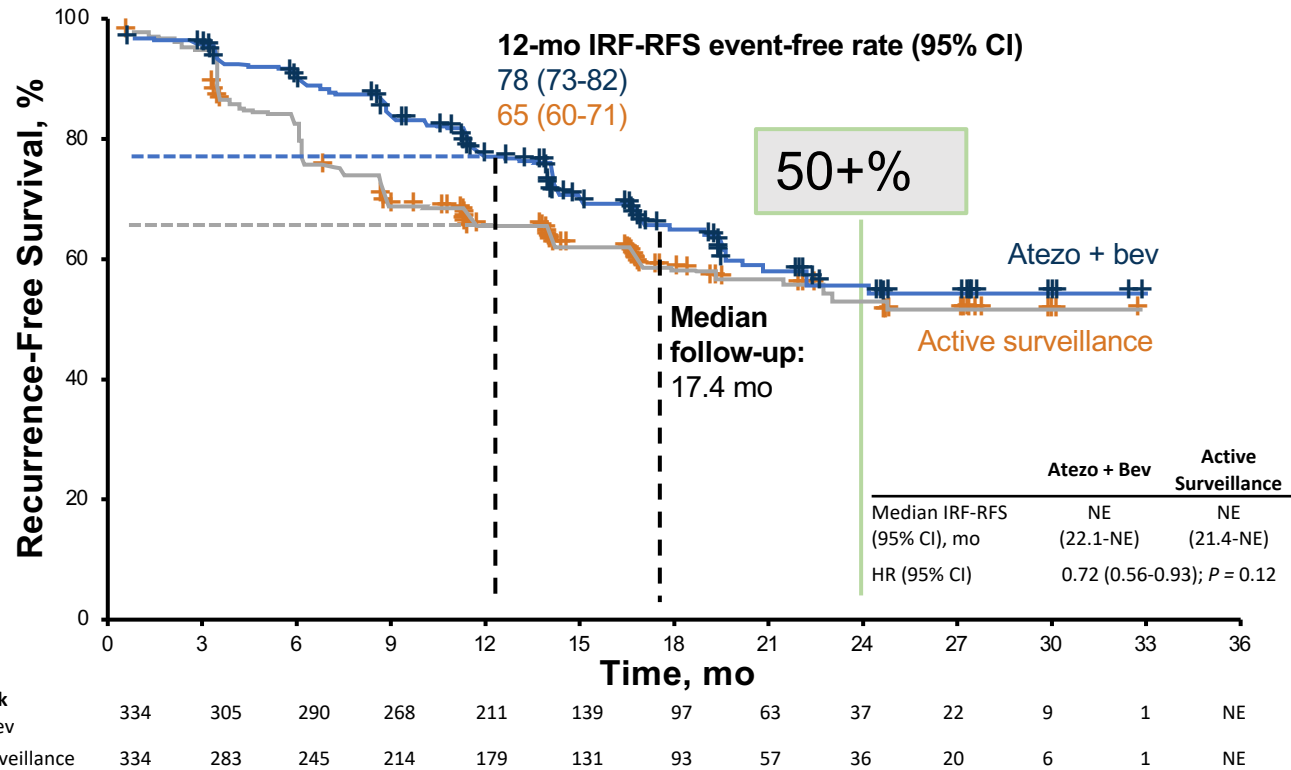
| <b>No. at Risk</b>  | 0   | 3   | 6   | 9   | 12  | 15  | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30 | 33 | 36 |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Atezo + bev         | 334 | 305 | 290 | 268 | 211 | 139 | 97 | 63 | 37 | 22 | 9  | 1  | NE |
| Active surveillance | 334 | 283 | 245 | 214 | 179 | 131 | 93 | 57 | 36 | 20 | 6  | 1  | NE |

Clinical cutoff: October 21, 2022; median follow-up duration: 17.4 mo. At clinical cutoff, 110 of 334 patients (33%) in the atezo + bev arm and 133 of 334 (40%) in the active surveillance arm experienced disease recurrence or death. RFS – Recurrence free survival; IRF – Independent Review Facility

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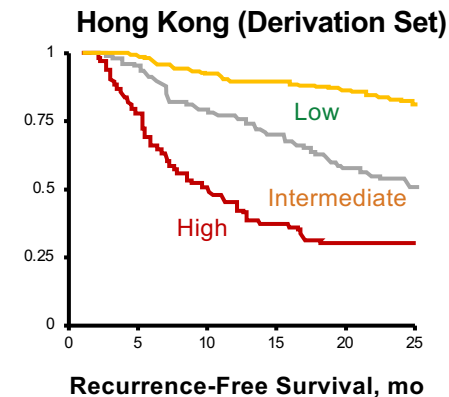


# But Will We Improve Overall Survival?



| ERASL, %          | 1-y RFS | 2-y RFS |
|-------------------|---------|---------|
| Low risk          | 83.9    | 71      |
| Intermediate risk | 68.5    | 47.5    |
| High risk         | 38      | 26.1    |

Treatment arm “reverts” back to intermediate risk



Pattern of curve: the persistent separation of RFS curves was not observed in this clinical trial

**First positive adjuvant study in HCC**  
**Earlier than expected overlap of RFS**

- Less effective to prevent recurrence in the second year
- Delay (instead of preventing) some early recurrences

**More mature data on mRFS and 2-y RFS data is important**

| n (%)               | Atezo + Bev (n = 334) | Active Surveillance (n = 334) |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>All deaths</b>   | 27 (8.1)              | 20 (6)                        |
| Progressive disease | 17 (63)               | 16 (80)                       |
| Adverse events      | 6 (22.2)              | 1 (5)                         |
| Other               | 4 (14.8)              | 3 (15)                        |

Deaths from AEs were numerically higher in the treatment arm

1. Chow P et al. AACR 2023. Abstract CT003.

# Ongoing Phase 3 Trials of Adjuvant Immunotherapy

- High risk for HCC recurrence after resection or ablation
- Child–Pugh A

| IMbrave050 <sup>3</sup>  | EMERALD-2 <sup>1</sup>  | CheckMate - 9DX <sup>2</sup>   | KEYNOTE-937 <sup>4</sup>   | JUPITER 04 <sup>5</sup>  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atezo + bev vs active surveillance</li> <li>• ECOG PS 0-1</li> <li>• Primary endpoint: RFS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Durvalumab ± bevacizumab + vs placebo</li> <li>• ECOG PS 0-1</li> <li>• Primary endpoint: RFS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nivolumab vs placebo</li> <li>• ECOG PS 0-1</li> <li>• Primary endpoint: RFS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pembro vs placebo</li> <li>• ECOG PS 0</li> <li>• AFP &lt;400 ng/mL</li> <li>• Primary endpoints: RFS and OS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toripalimab vs placebo</li> <li>• ECOG PS 0</li> <li>• Primary endpoint: RFS</li> </ul> |

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# Rationale for Combining LRT and Systemic Therapy

Intermediate-stage HCC is a heterogeneous entity with variability in tumor burden, distribution, and underlying liver function

Risk of missing the opportunity to reach the point of systemic therapy in cases of liver function deterioration

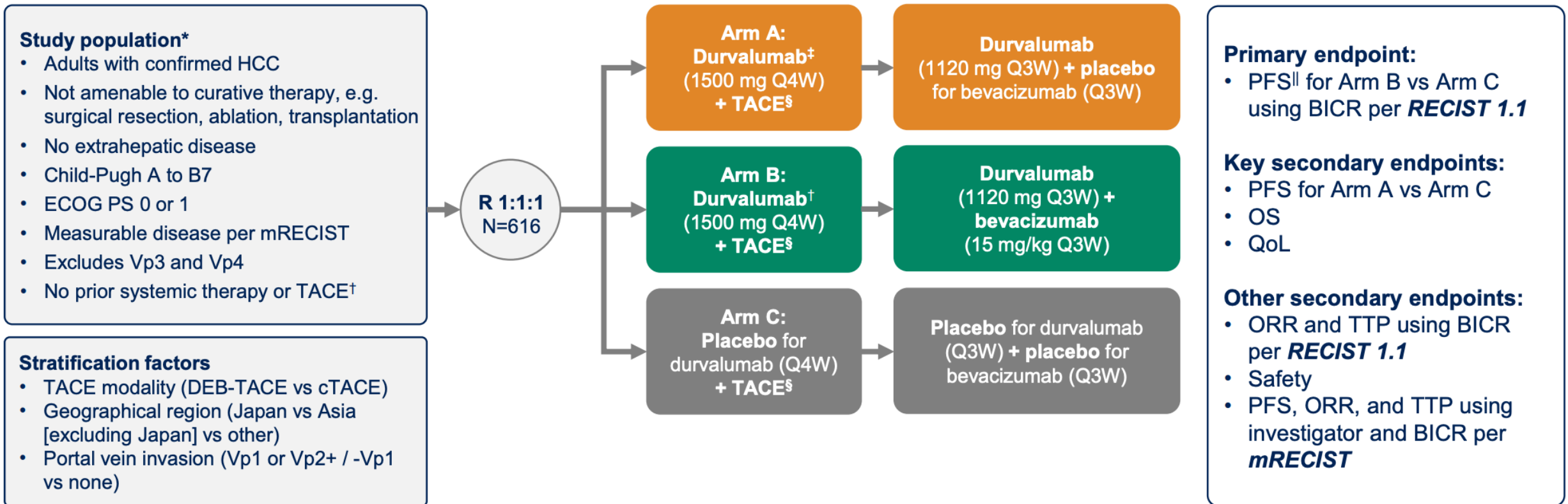
Efficacy of LRT is affected by tumor burden

Systemic therapy has level 1 evidence of improved survival and high response rates

## Potential advantages of incorporating systemic therapy earlier include

- Starting effective therapy earlier
- Introducing more effective intervention prior to possible liver decompensation
- Potentially increasing cures

# EMERALD-1: A Phase 3 Study Evaluating Durvalumab + Bevacizumab Combined With TACE for Locoregional HCC



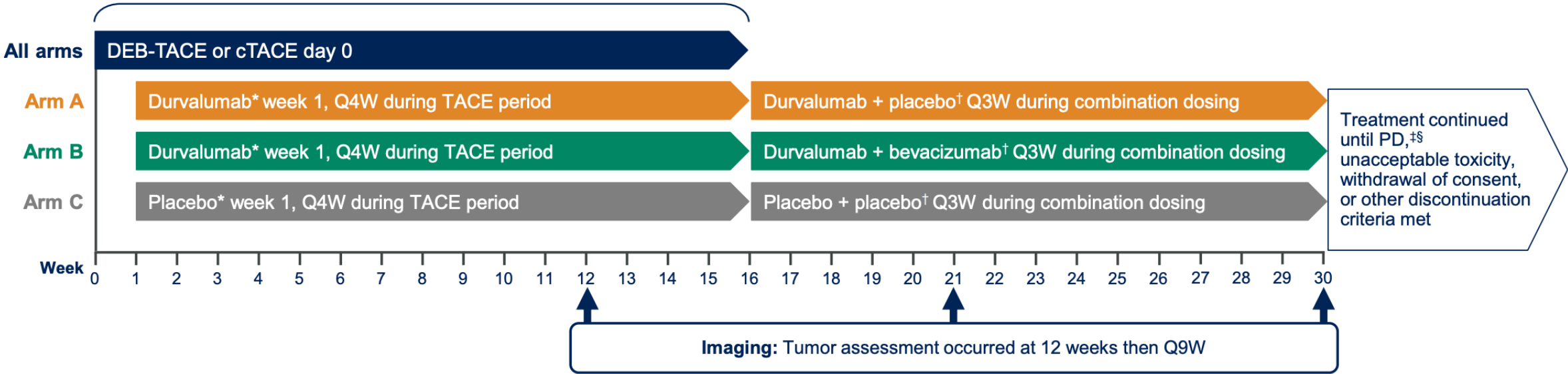
# EMERALD-1: Study Schema

**Number and timings of TACE at the investigator's discretion:**

- 1–4 TACE procedures within 16 weeks

**Combination therapy begins after the final TACE procedure**

- Median (range) start of combination systemic therapy: 14 (2–113) weeks post first dose of TACE at Day 0



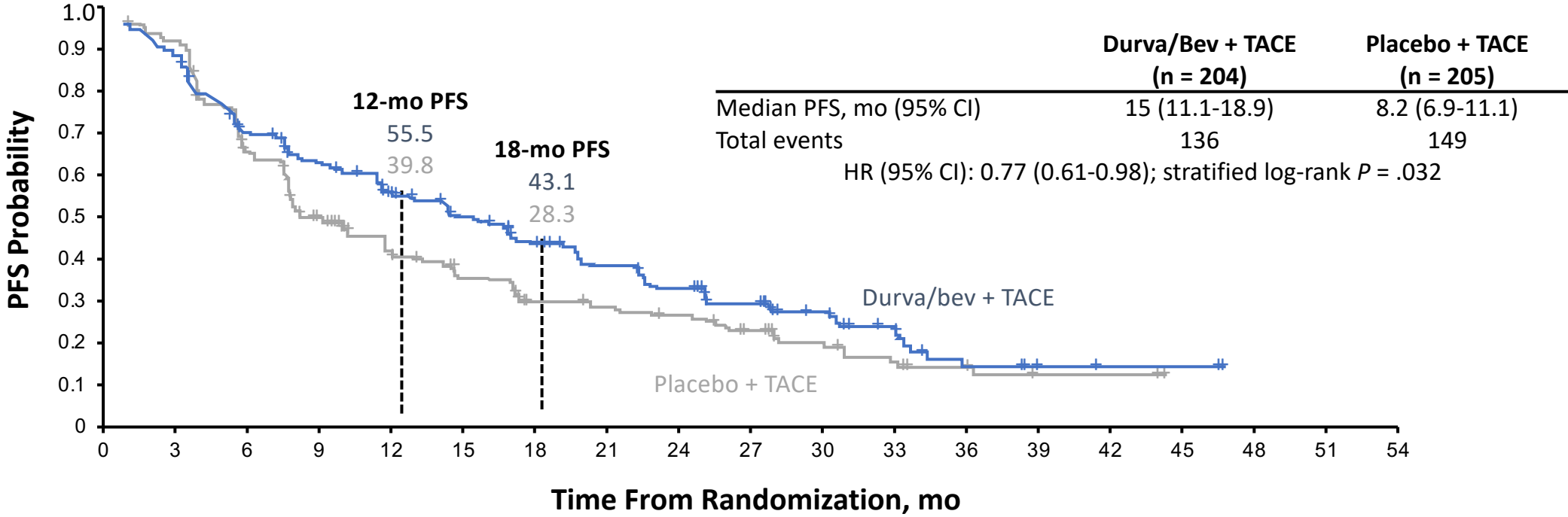
# EMERALD-1: Participant Disposition

The majority of participants had 1 or 2 TACE procedures with or without durvalumab

616 participants randomized

|  | D + TACE                              | D+B + TACE                            | Placebos + TACE                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Randomized</b>  |                                       |                                       |                                       |
| No. of TACE procedures,* %                                 |                                       |                                       |                                       |
| Dosed with durvalumab, <sup>†</sup> n / N (%)              | 193 / 207 (93.2%)                     | 193 / 204 (94.6%)                     | 200 / 205 (97.6%)                     |
| Dosed with combination n / N (%)                           | 162 / 207 (78.3%)                     | 154 / 204 (75.5%)                     | 155 / 205 (75.6%)                     |
| <b>Ongoing study, n / N (%)</b>                            | <b>88 / 207 (42.5%)<sup>‡</sup></b>   | <b>89 / 204 (43.6%)<sup>§</sup></b>   | <b>82 / 205 (40.0%)<sup>  </sup></b>  |
| On durvalumab treatment <sup>†</sup>                       | 25 / 193 (13.0%)                      | 27 / 193 (14.0%)                      | 27 / 200 (13.5%)                      |
| <b>Discontinued study treatment, n / N (%)<sup>¶</sup></b> | <b>168 / 193 (87.0%)<sup>**</sup></b> | <b>166 / 193 (86.0%)<sup>††</sup></b> | <b>173 / 200 (86.5%)<sup>‡‡</sup></b> |
| Condition under investigation worsened <sup>§§</sup>       | 122 / 193 (63.2%)                     | 85 / 193 (44.0%)                      | 119 / 200 (59.5%)                     |

# EMERALD-1: Significant PFS Benefit With Durva + Bev + TACE vs TACE Alone



| No. at Risk      | 0   | 3   | 6   | 9   | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30 | 33 | 36 | 39 | 42 | 45 | 48 | 51 | 54 |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Durva/bev + TACE | 204 | 162 | 134 | 114 | 94 | 82 | 64 | 53 | 43 | 32 | 23 | 15 | 6  | 4  | 2  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Placebo + TACE   | 205 | 159 | 121 | 81  | 62 | 51 | 39 | 35 | 32 | 24 | 15 | 10 | 5  | 2  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |

- No significant difference in PFS between the durva + TACE and placebo + TACE arms, suggesting that VEGF-targeting may provide a “boosting effect”
- mTTP: 22 mo vs 10 mo; ORR: 43.6% vs 29.6%; DOR: 22.1 mo vs 16.4 mo

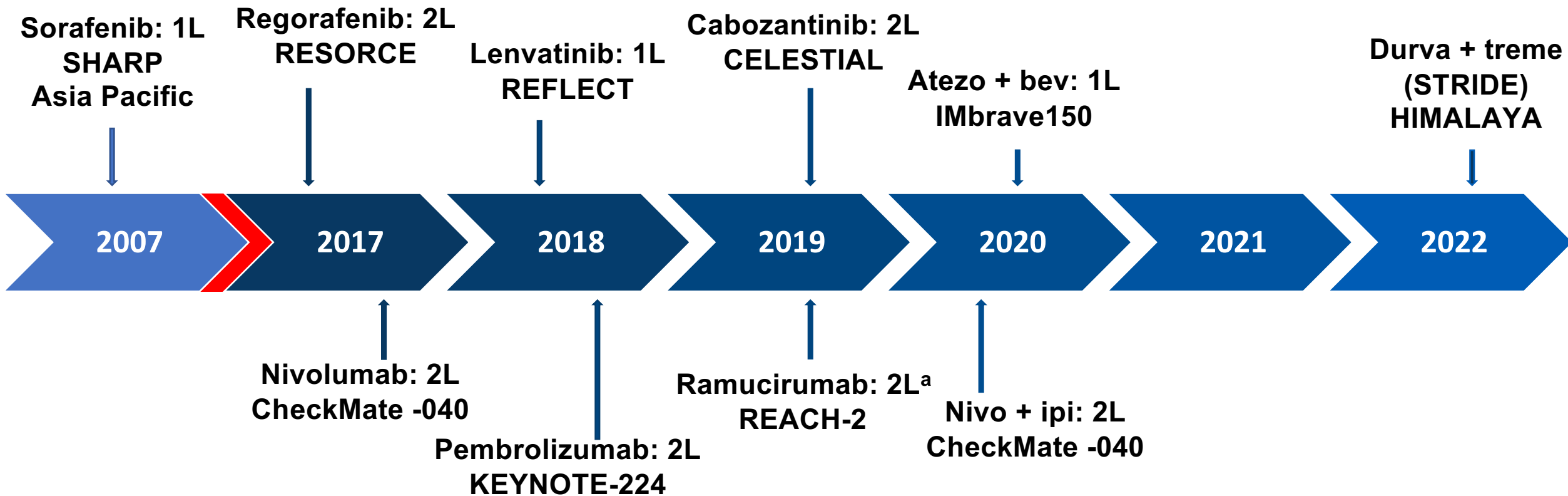
# EMERALD-1: Most Common Maximum Grade 3 or 4 TEAEs

Incidence of maximum Grade 3 or 4 AEs was low across all arms, with no unexpected safety signals

| AE, n (%)                     | D + TACE (n=232) | D+B + TACE (n=154) | Placebos + TACE (n=200) |
|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Hypertension                  | 5 (2.2)          | 9 (5.8)            | 1 (0.5)                 |
| Anemia                        | 10 (4.3)         | 7 (4.5)            | 3 (1.5)                 |
| Acute kidney injury           | 4 (1.7)          | 6 (3.9)            | 0                       |
| Proteinuria                   | 0                | 6 (3.9)            | 0                       |
| Post-embolization syndrome    | 8 (3.4)          | 5 (3.2)            | 8 (4.0)                 |
| Hepatic encephalopathy        | 1 (0.4)          | 5 (3.2)            | 3 (1.5)                 |
| Ascites                       | 4 (1.7)          | 4 (2.6)            | 3 (1.5)                 |
| Hyponatremia                  | 1 (0.4)          | 4 (2.6)            | 0                       |
| Esophageal varices hemorrhage | 0                | 4 (2.6)            | 1 (0.5)                 |



# Timeline of Recent Approvals for Systemic Therapy in HCC

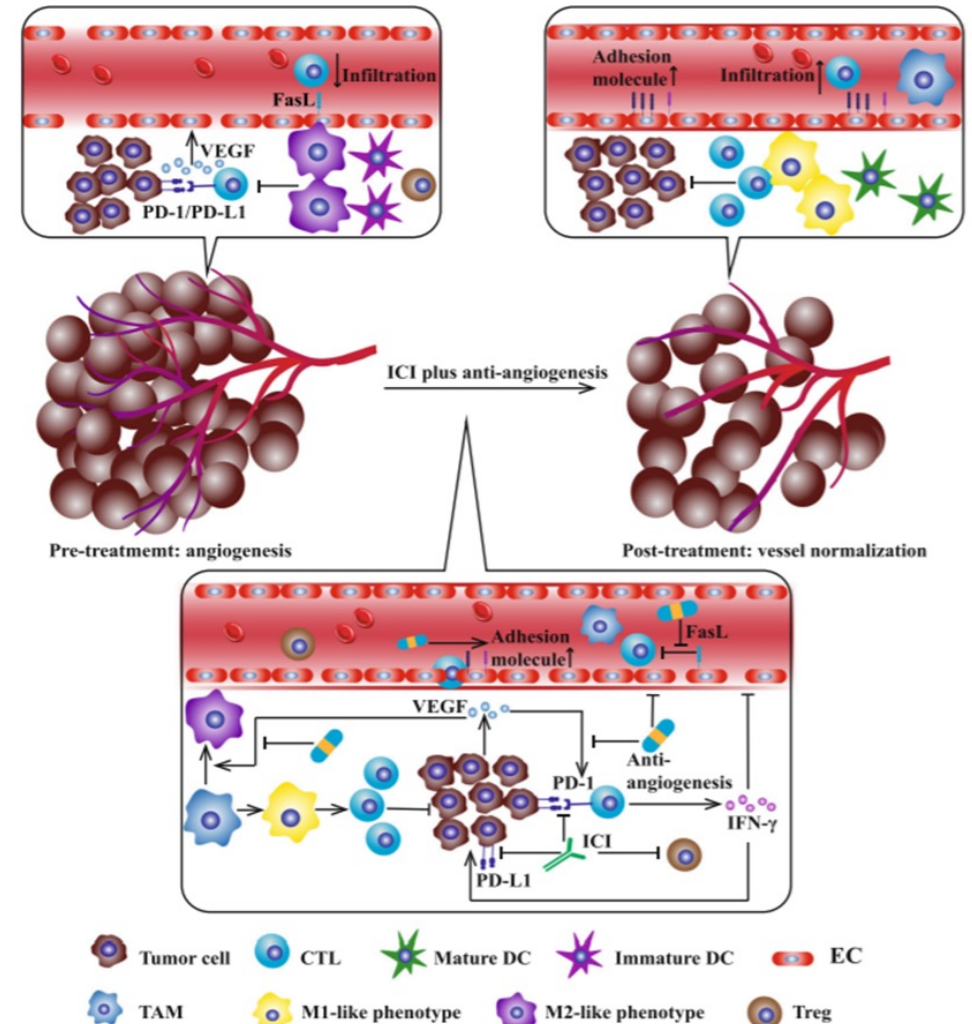
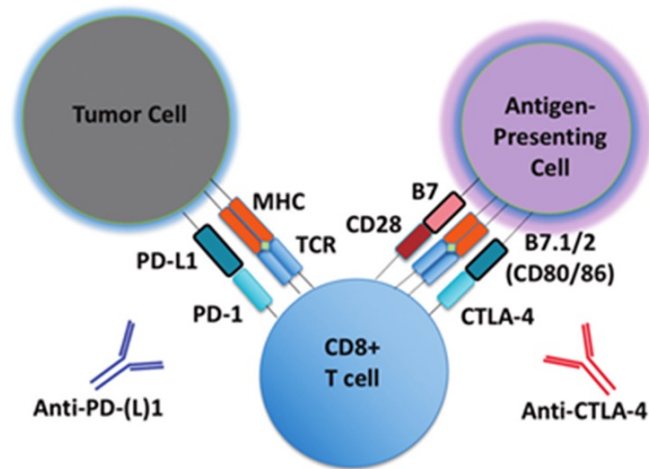


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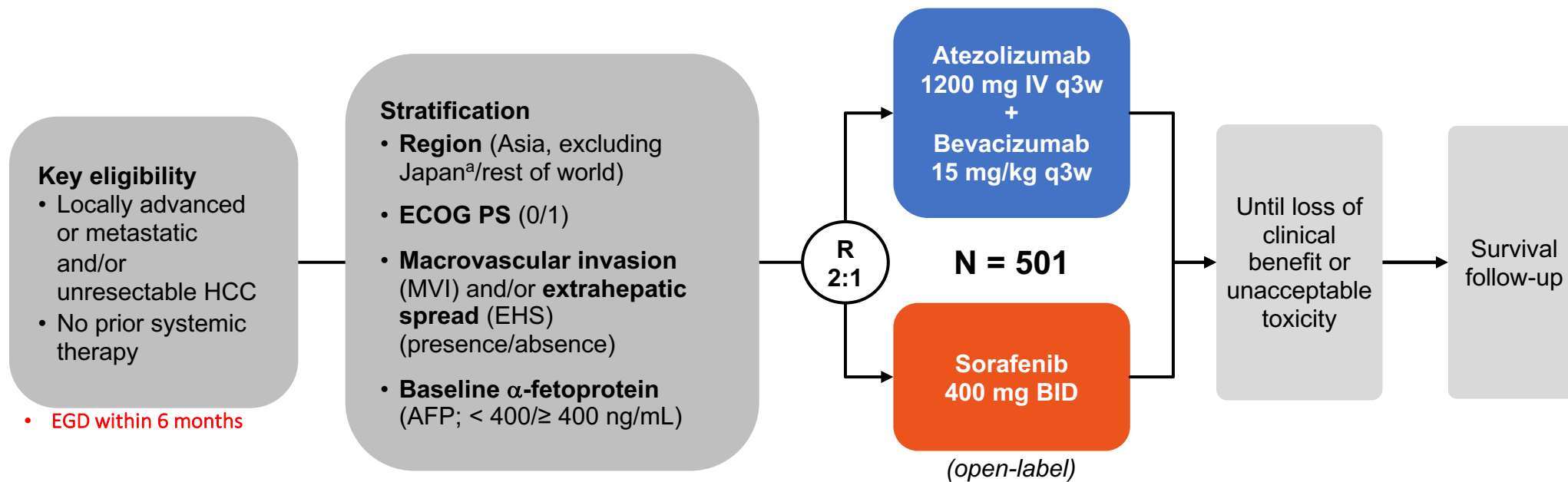
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# Immune Checkpoint Inhibition (ICI): Combination Strategies in Advanced HCC

1. ICI + anti-VEGF mAb
2. ICI + anti-angiogenic TKI
3. ICI + ICI



# IMbrave 150: Phase 3 Trial of Atezolizumab plus Bevacizumab vs. Sorafenib in 1<sup>st</sup> Line Advanced HCC



## Primary endpoints

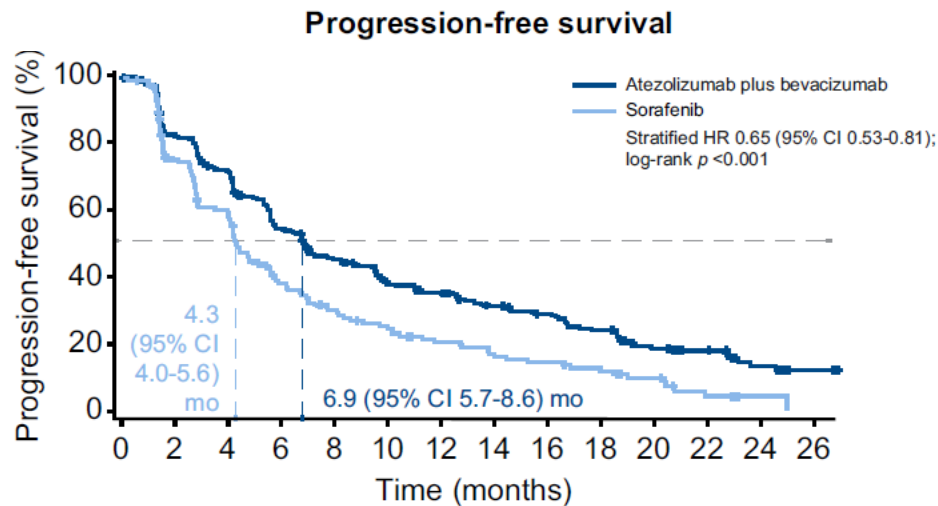
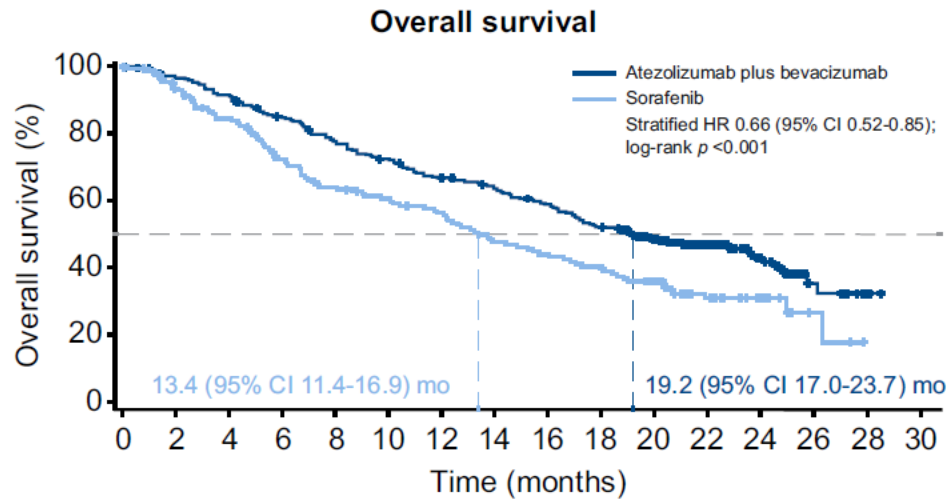
- OS
- IRF-assessed PFS per RECIST 1.1

## Key secondary efficacy endpoints

- IRF-assessed ORR and DOR per RECIST 1.1
- IRF-assessed ORR and DOR per HCC mRECIST

BID, twice a day; q3w, every 3 weeks; <sup>a</sup>Japan is included in rest of world.

# IMbrave150: Updated Results



|  | Updated analysis <sup>a</sup> |                             |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|  | RECIST 1.1                    |                             |
|  | Atezo + Bev<br>(n = 326)      | Sorafenib<br>(n = 159)      |
| <b>Confirmed ORR (95% CI), %</b>           | <b>30<br/>(25, 35)</b>        | <b>11<br/>(7, 17)</b>       |
| <b>CR, n (%)</b>                           | <b>25 (8)</b>                 | <b>1 (&lt; 1)</b>           |
| PR, n (%)                                  | 72 (22)                       | 17 (11)                     |
| SD, n (%)                                  | 144 (44)                      | 69 (43)                     |
| DCR, n (%)                                 | 241 (74)                      | 87 (55)                     |
| PD, n (%)                                  | 63 (19)                       | 40 (25)                     |
| Ongoing response, n (%)                    | 54 (56)                       | 5 (28)                      |
| <b>Median DOR (95% CI), mo<sup>b</sup></b> | <b>18.1<br/>(14.6, NE)</b>    | <b>14.9<br/>(4.9, 17.0)</b> |

Established new benchmarks for efficacy in 1<sup>st</sup> line:

- Median OS 19.2 v. 13.4 months, HR 0.66
- Median PFS 6.9 v. 4.3 months, HR 0.65
- Durable responses in 30%, complete responses in 8%

Acceptable safety in carefully screened population:

- Treatment-related grade 3/4 AE: 43% vs. 46%
- Discontinuation for AE: 15.5% vs. 10.3%

# Patient-Reported Outcomes from IMbrave150

- EORTC QLQ-C30 and EORTC QLQ-HCC18 outcomes favored atezo+beva arm over sorafenib across domains

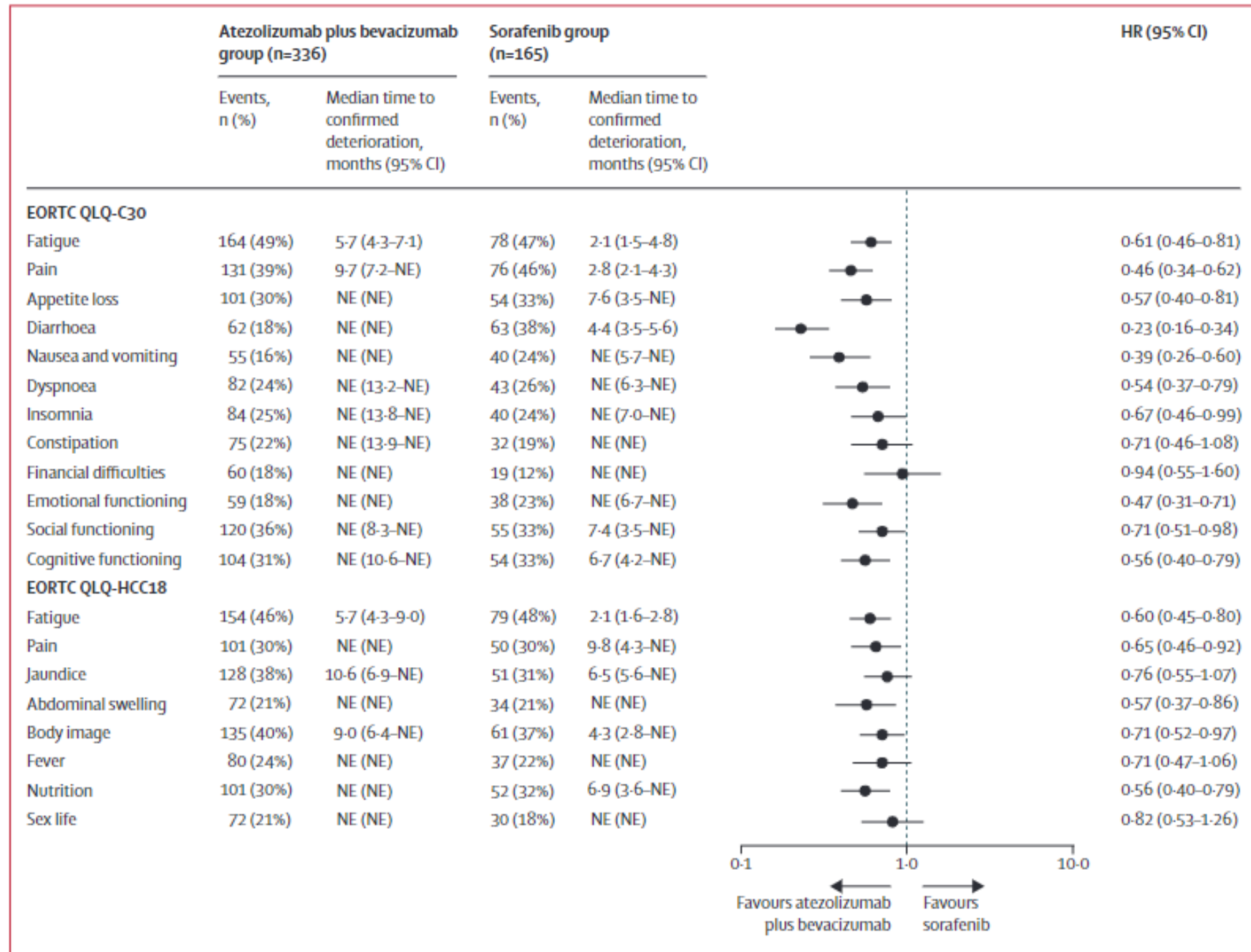
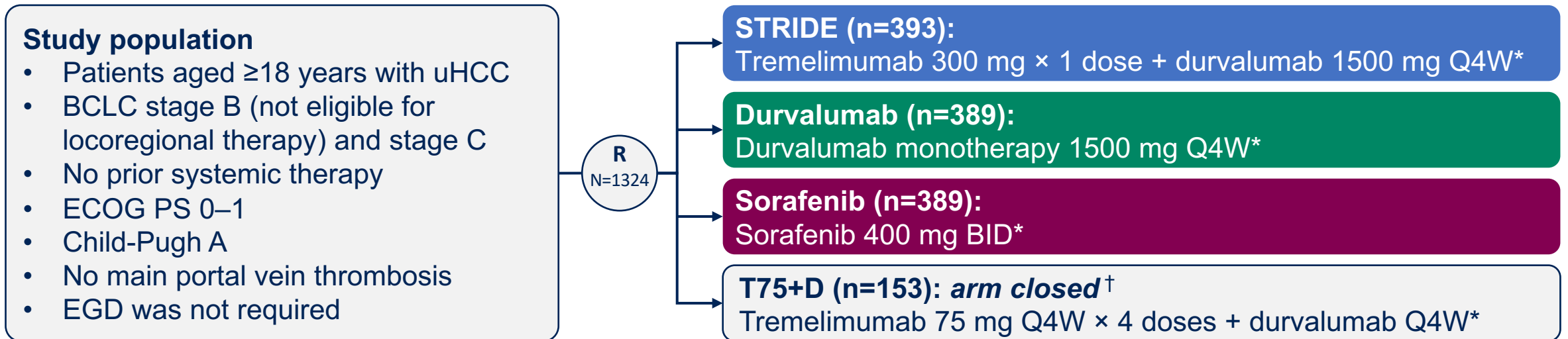


Figure 2: Time to confirmed deterioration in EORTC QLQ-C30 and EORTC QLQ-HCC18 scales analysed as prespecified and post-hoc endpoints

# HIMALAYA Study Design

HIMALAYA was an open-label, multicenter, global, Phase 3 trial



## Stratification factors

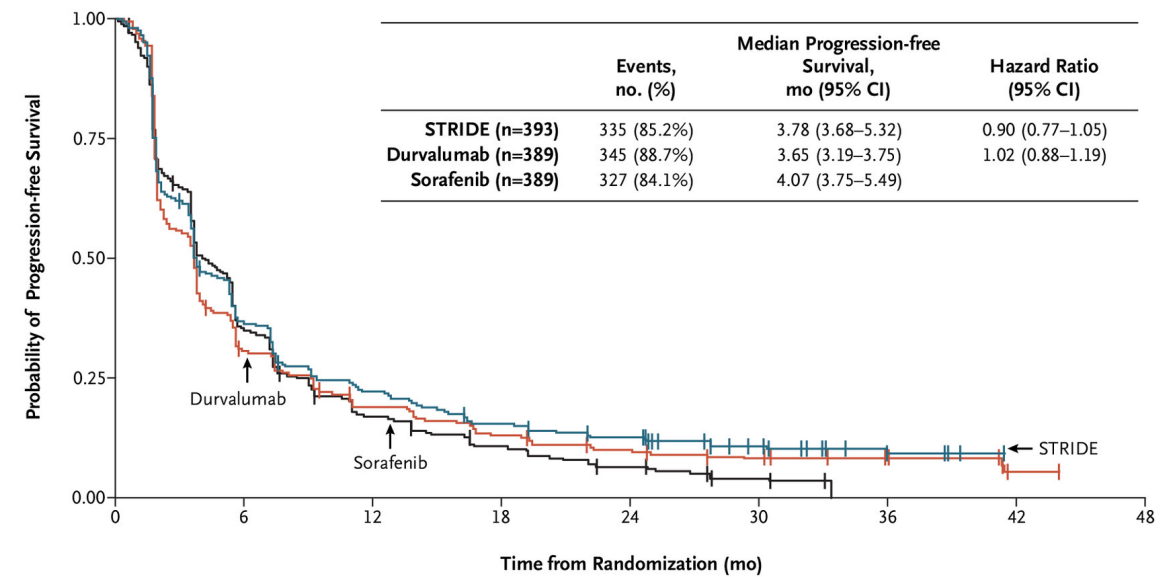
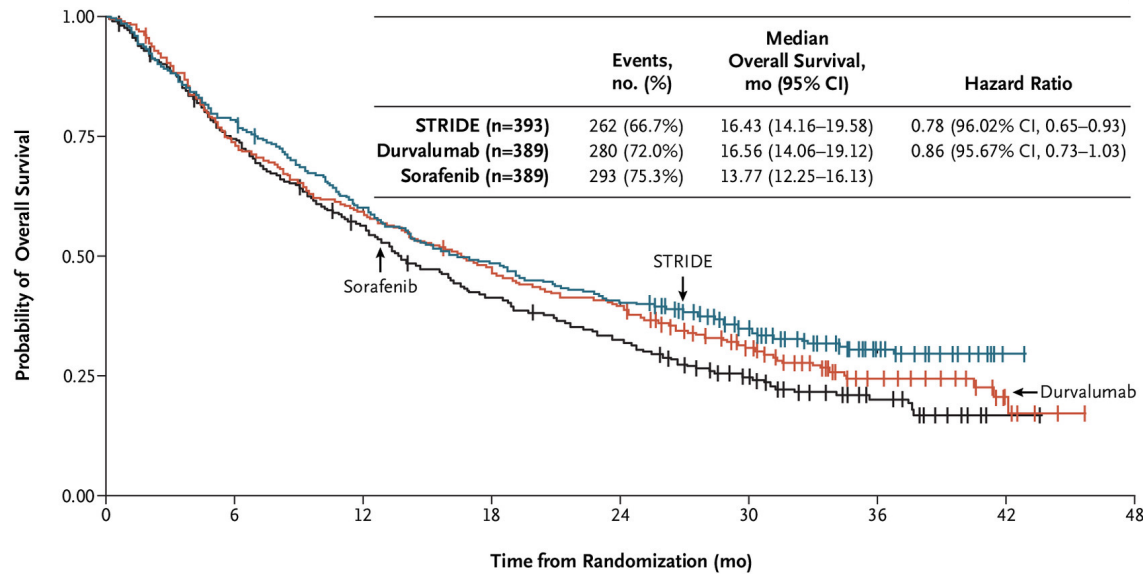
- Macrovascular invasion: yes vs no
- Etiology of liver disease: HBV vs HCV vs others
- Performance status: ECOG 0 vs 1

\*Treatment continued until disease progression. Patients with progressive disease who, in the investigator's opinion, continued to benefit from treatment and met the criteria for treatment in the setting of progressive disease could continue treatment. <sup>†</sup>The T75+D arm was closed following a preplanned analysis of a Phase 2 study. Patients randomized to this arm (n=153) could continue treatment following arm closure. Results from this arm are not reported in this presentation.

BID, twice a day; EGD, esophagogastroduodenoscopy; Q4W, every 4 weeks; STRIDE, Single Tremelimumab Regular Interval Durvalumab.



# HIMALAYA Primary and Secondary Endpoints: OS and PFS

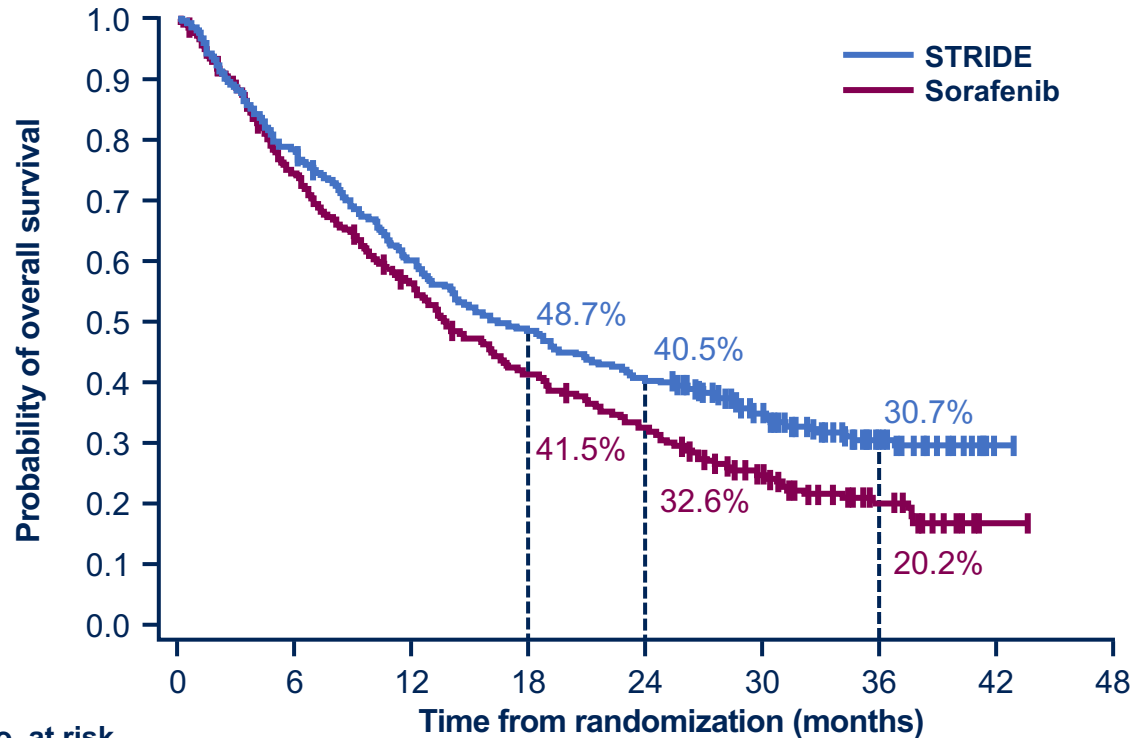


| No. at Risk |            |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |   | No. at Risk |   |            |     |     |    |    |    |    |   |   |   |
|-------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|-------------|---|------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| —           | STRIDE     | 393 | 308 | 235 | 190 | 158 | 98 | 32 | 1 | 0           | — | STRIDE     | 393 | 135 | 81 | 55 | 43 | 26 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| —           | Durvalumab | 389 | 286 | 230 | 183 | 153 | 87 | 27 | 6 | 0           | — | Durvalumab | 389 | 115 | 68 | 47 | 34 | 20 | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| —           | Sorafenib  | 389 | 283 | 211 | 155 | 121 | 62 | 21 | 1 | 0           | — | Sorafenib  | 389 | 118 | 53 | 31 | 18 | 6  | 0 | 0 | 0 |

- STRIDE regimen improved OS over sorafenib: Median 16.43 vs. 13.77 mos. (HR 0.78)
- Durvalumab was noninferior to sorafenib for OS (HR 0.86)
- No significant difference in median PFS

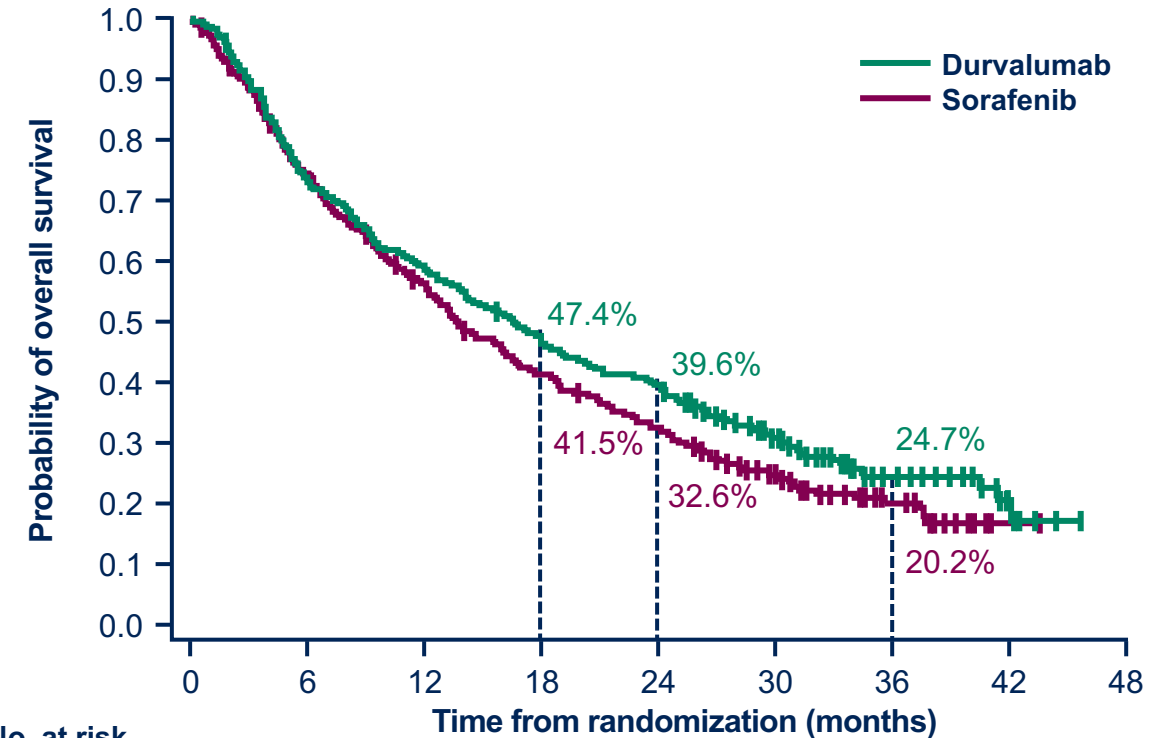
# HIMALAYA: Landmark OS analysis

## STRIDE vs sorafenib



| No. at risk      | 0   | 6   | 12  | 18  | 24  | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
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OS, overall survival; STRIDE, Single Tremelimumab Regular Interval Durvalumab.



# HIMALAYA: Safety and tolerability

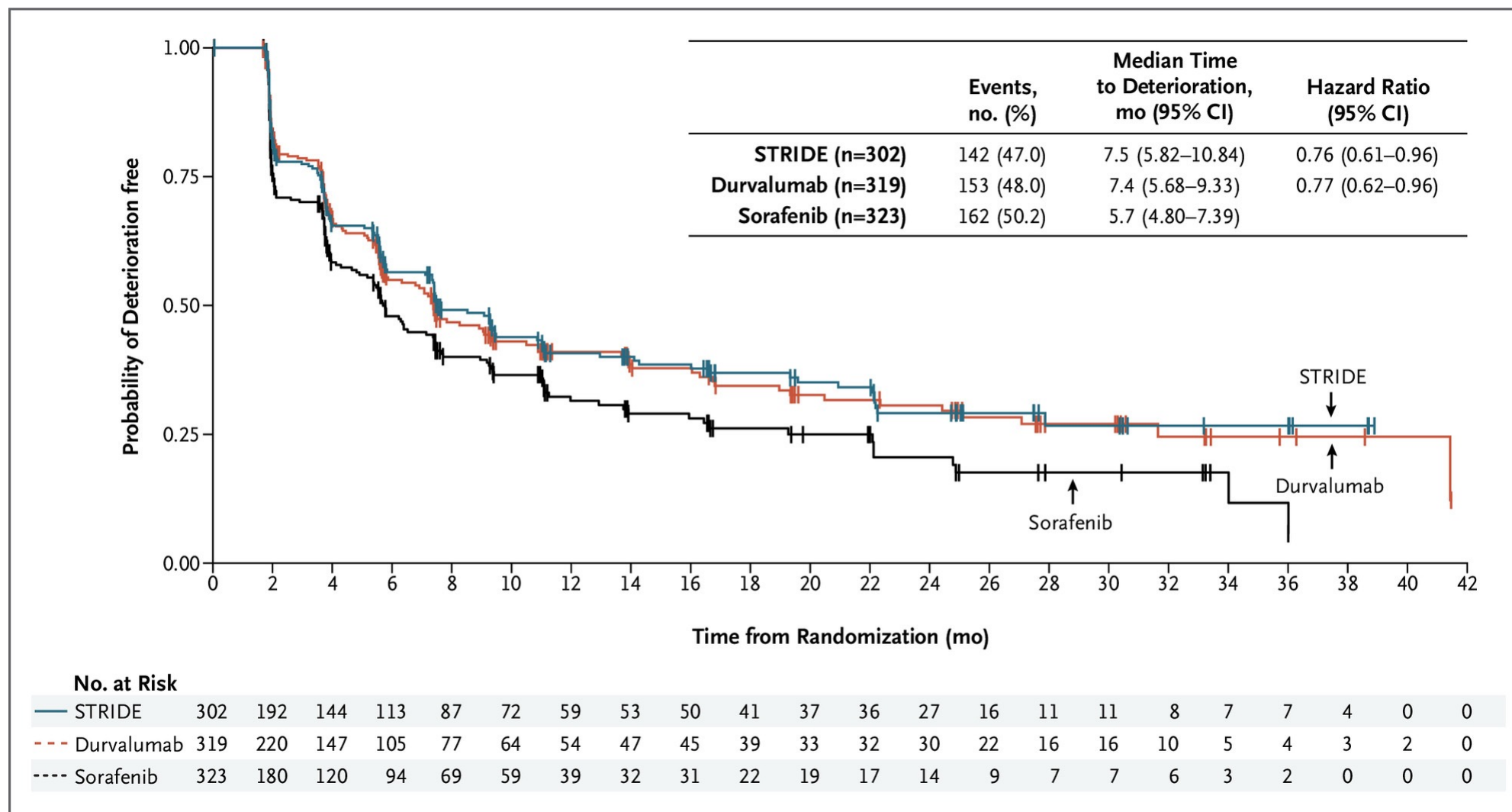
| Event, n (%)   | STRIDE (n=388)       | Durvalumab (n=388) | Sorafenib (n=374)    |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Any AE   | 378 (97.4)           | 345 (88.9)         | 357 (95.5)           |
| Any TRAE*  | 294 (75.8)           | 202 (52.1)         | 317 (84.8)           |
| Any grade 3/4 AE   | 196 (50.5)           | 144 (37.1)         | 196 (52.4)           |
| Any grade 3/4 TRAE   | 100 (25.8)           | 50 (12.9)          | 138 (36.9)           |
| Any serious TRAE   | 68 (17.5)            | 32 (8.2)           | 35 (9.4)             |
| Any TRAE leading to death  | 9 (2.3) <sup>†</sup> | 0                  | 3 (0.8) <sup>‡</sup> |
| Any TRAE leading to discontinuation                                  | 32 (8.2)             | 16 (4.1)           | 41 (11.0)            |
| Any grade 3/4 hepatic SMQ TRAE                                       | 23 (5.9)             | 20 (5.2)           | 17 (4.5)             |
| Any grade 3/4 hemorrhage SMQ TRAE                                    | 2 (0.5)              | 0                  | 4 (1.1)              |
| Any grade 3/4 immune-mediated TRAE                                   | 49 (12.6)            | 24 (6.2)           | 9 (2.4)              |
| Any immune-mediated AE requiring treatment with high-dose steroids   | 78 (20.1)            | 37 (9.5)           | 7 (1.9)              |
| Any immune-mediated AE leading to discontinuation of study treatment | 22 (5.7)             | 10 (2.6)           | 6 (1.6)              |

Includes AEs with onset or increase in severity on or after the date of the first dose through 90 days following the date of the last dose or the date of initiation of the first subsequent therapy.

\*Treatment-related was as assessed by investigator. <sup>†</sup>Nervous system disorder (n=1), acute respiratory distress syndrome (n=1), hepatitis (n=1), myocarditis (n=1), immune-mediated hepatitis (n=2), pneumonitis (n=1), hepatic failure (n=1), myasthenia gravis (n=1). <sup>‡</sup>Hematuria (n=1), cerebral hematoma (n=1), hepatic failure (n=1).

AE, adverse event; SMQ, Standardized MedDRA Query; STRIDE, Single Tremelimumab Regular Interval Durvalumab; TRAE, treatment-related adverse event.

# STRIDE and Durvalumab: Preserved QOL vs. Sorafenib



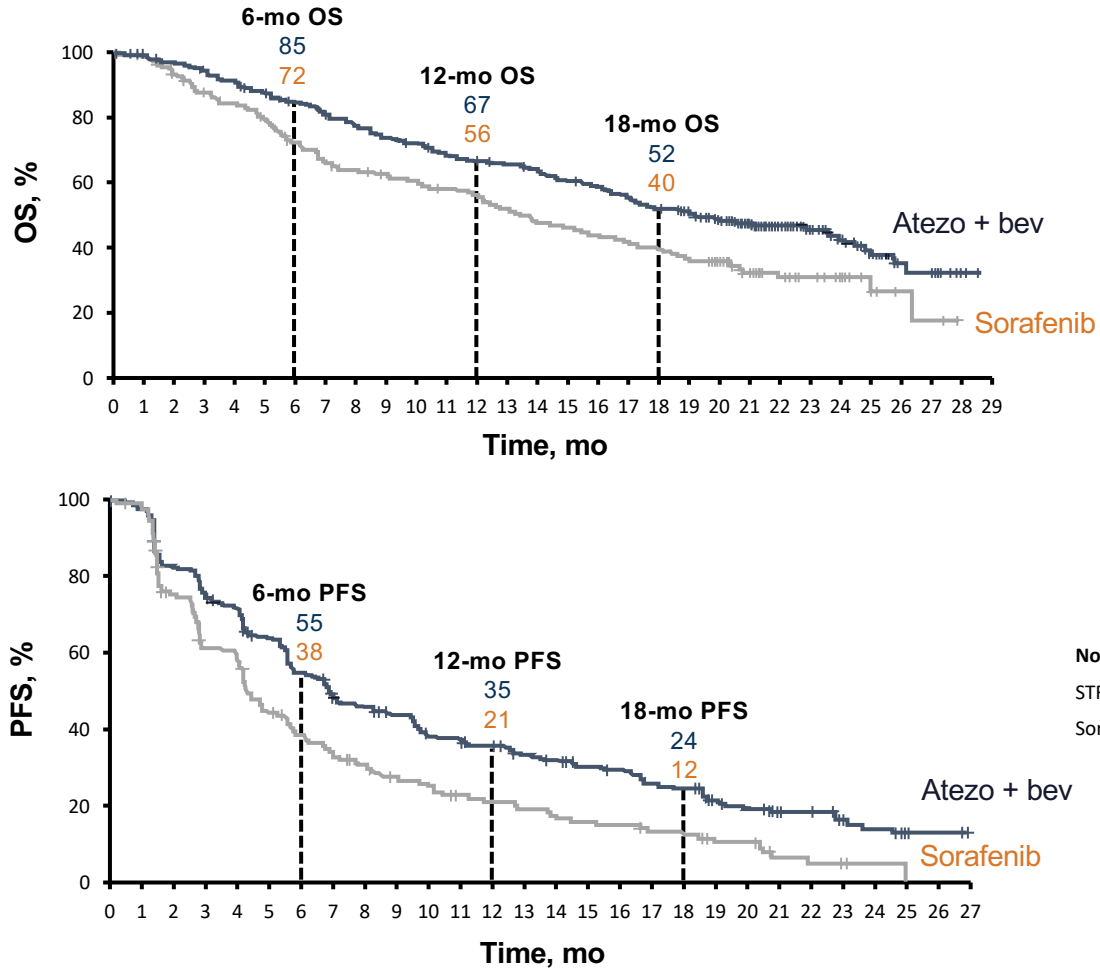
# Frontline Systemic Therapy for Advanced HCC

|                               | IMbrave150 <sup>1</sup> | HIMALAYA <sup>2, 3</sup> |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Treatment Arm</b>          | Atezo/bev               | STRIDE                   | Durvalumab        |
| <i>Patient n</i>              | 336                     | 393                      | 389               |
| <b>Control Arm</b>            | Sorafenib               | Sorafenib                | Sorafenib         |
| <i>Patient n</i>              | 165                     | 389                      | 389               |
| <b>mOS, mo (95% CI)</b>       | 19.2 (17.0-23.7)        | 16.4 (14.2-19.6)         | 16.56 (14.0-19.1) |
| <b>mPFS, mo (95% CI)</b>      | 6.9 (5.7-8.6)           | 3.78 (3.68-5.32)         | 3.65 (3.39-3.75)  |
| <b>ORR, % per RESIST 1:1</b>  | 30                      | 20.1                     | 17.0              |
| <b>mDOR, % per RESIST 1:1</b> | 18.1                    | 22.34                    | 16.8              |

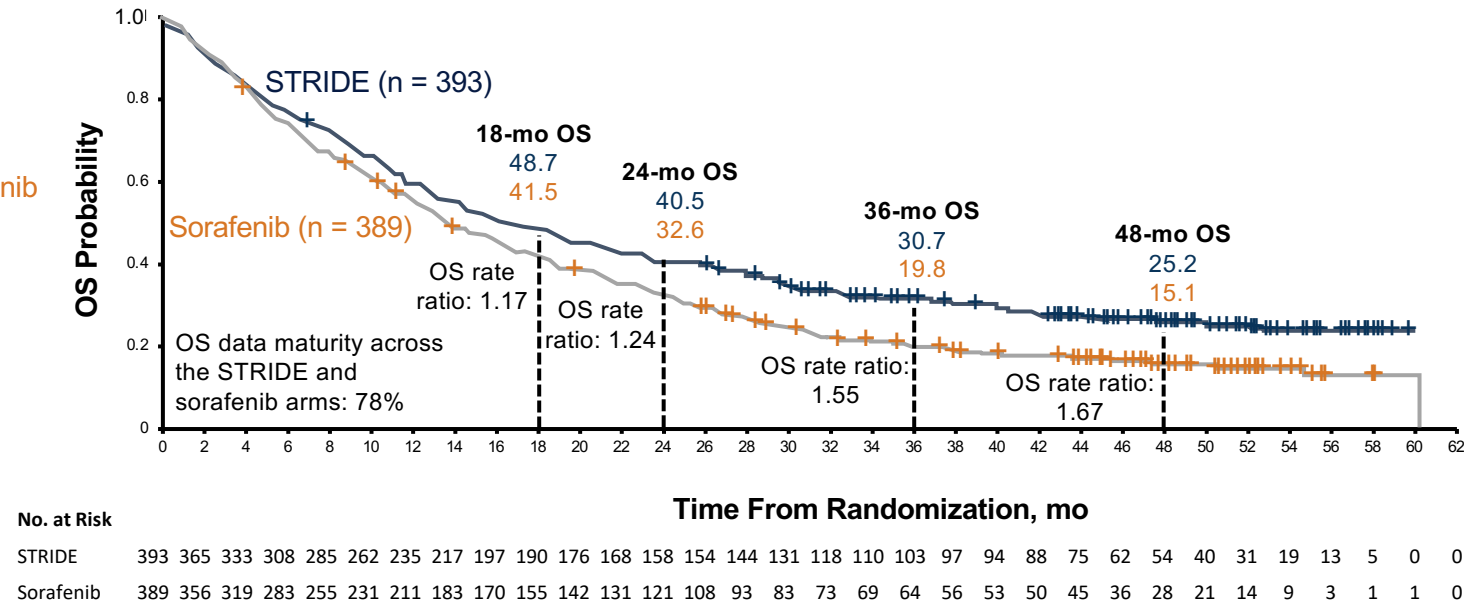
Atezo, atezolizumab; bev, bevacizumab; HBV, hepatitis B virus; HCC, hepatocellular carcinoma; HCV, hepatitis C virus; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; STRIDE, Single Tremelimumab Regular Interval Durvalumab. 1 Finn RS, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2020;382(20):1894-1905. 2. Sangro et al. ESMO GI 2023. Abstract SO-15. 3. Abou-Alfa G et al. *NEJM Evid.* 2022;1(8).

# How Do We Analyze Data for Immunotherapy Options?

## IMbrave150: OS vs PFS<sup>1</sup>



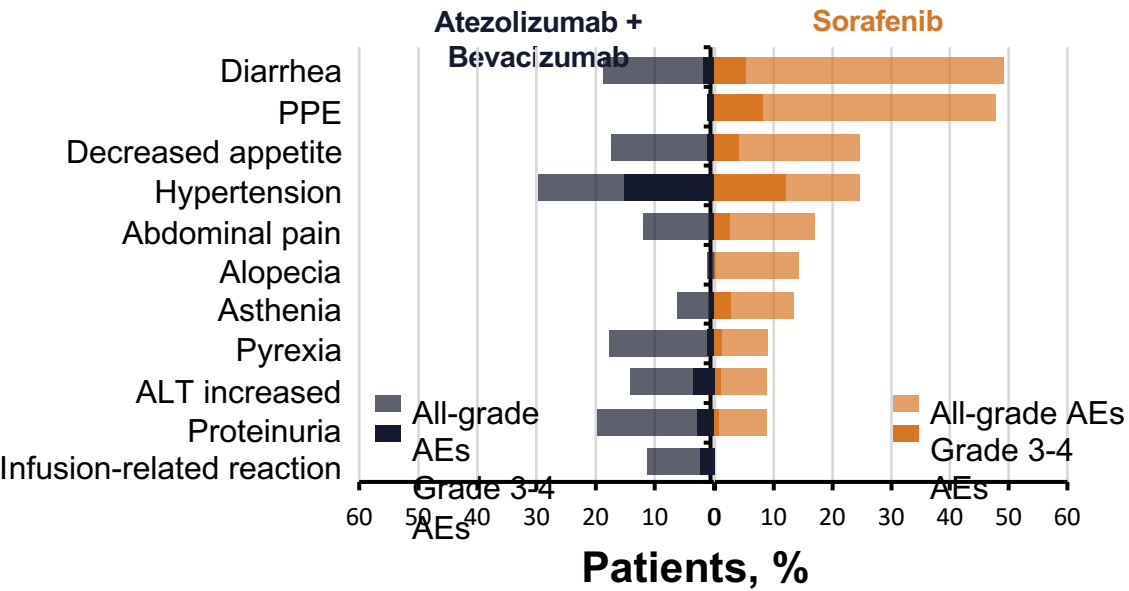
## HIMALAYA: 48-month landmark analysis: the “long tail” of immunotherapy<sup>2</sup>



1. Cheng AL et al. *J Hepatol.* 2022;76:862-873. 2. Sangro et al. ESMO GI 2023. Abstract SO-15.

# Safety Considerations and Summary of Bleeding Events

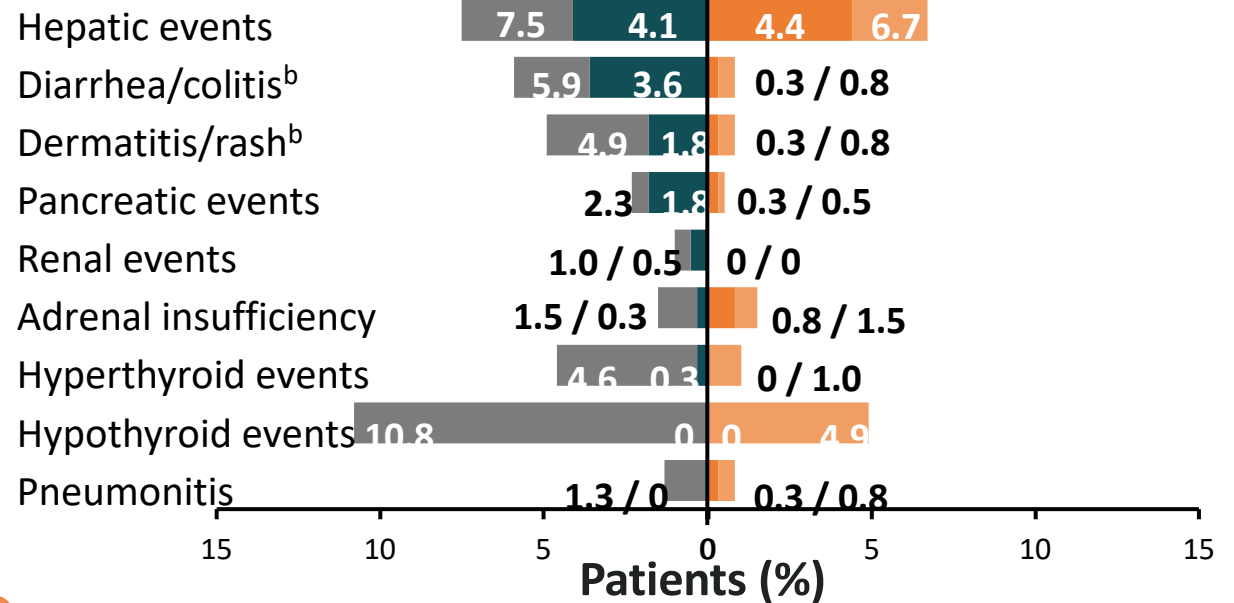
## IMBrave150



## HIMALAYA

STRIDE (n=388)  
 ■ Grade 3 ■ Any grade

Durvalumab (n=388)  
 ■ Grade 3 ■ Any grade



**Bleeding events:** Grade 3/4 bleeding/hemorrhage with atezo + bev was 6.4% versus 5.8% for sorafenib

<sup>a</sup> Safety-evaluable population.

1. Finn RS et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2020;382:1894-1905.

# Take-Homes for Selection of 1L Therapy for Advanced HCC

Candidate for immunotherapy?

Yes

Not a candidate for combination therapy

No

Atezo + bev

Durva + treme  
(STRIDE)

Single-agent  
PD-L1/PD-1  
(durvalumab,  
tislelizumab)

Lenvatinib

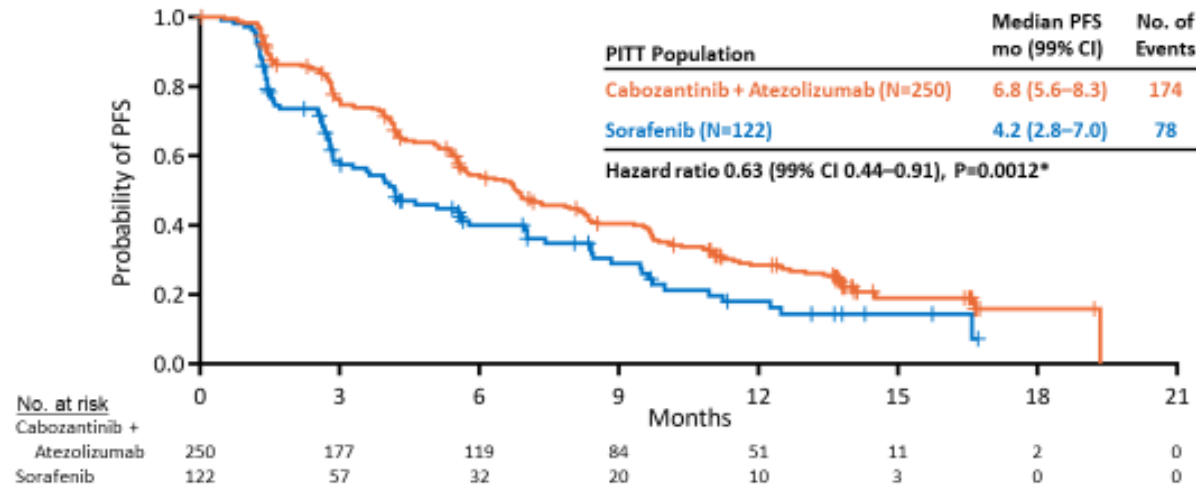
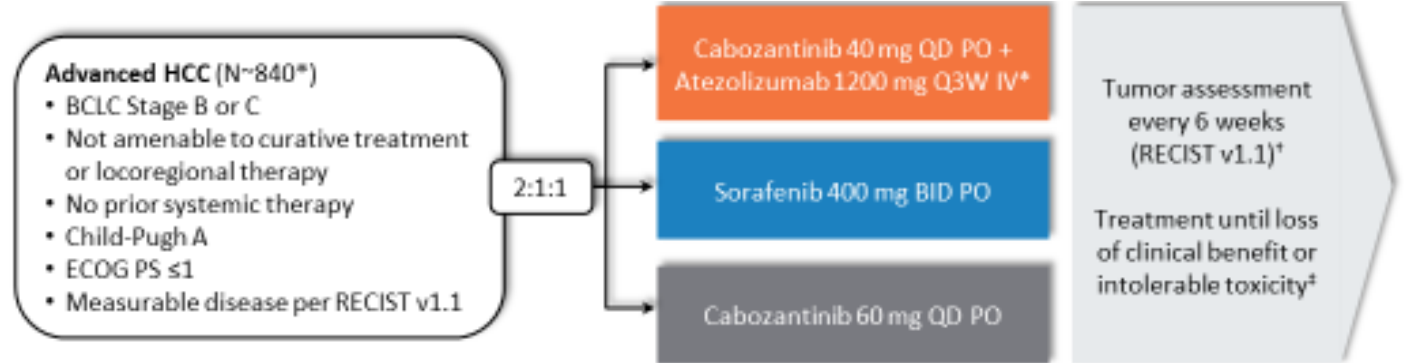
Sorafenib

EGD and treatment  
of varices required  
within 6 mo

Note: Disease aggressiveness can also inform 1L treatment decisions

# ICI + TKI Combinations in HCC: Mixed Results in Recent Phase 3 Trials

- COSMIC-312: Cabozantinib plus atezolizumab versus sorafenib as first-line systemic treatment for advanced HCC

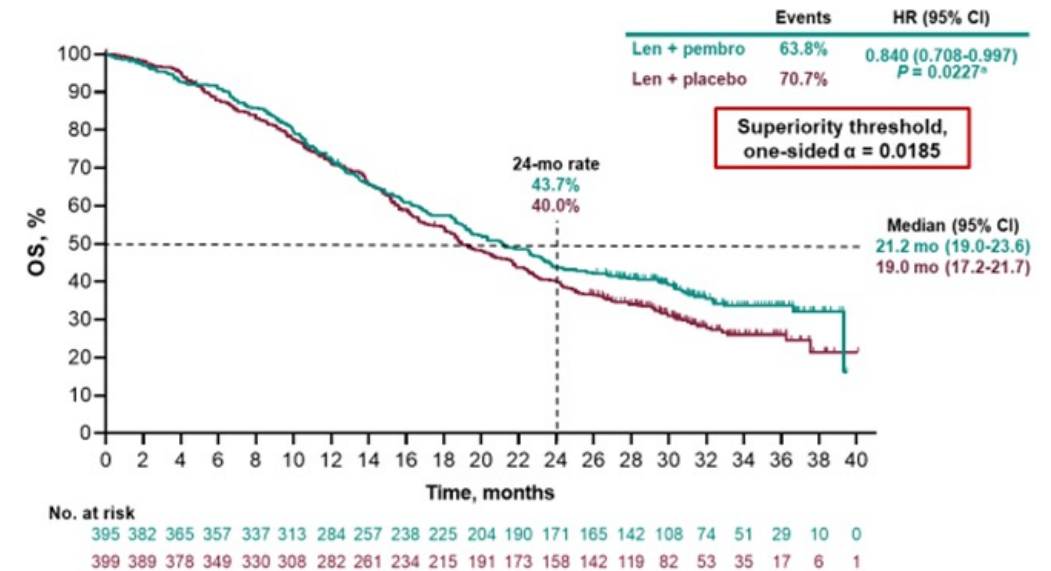
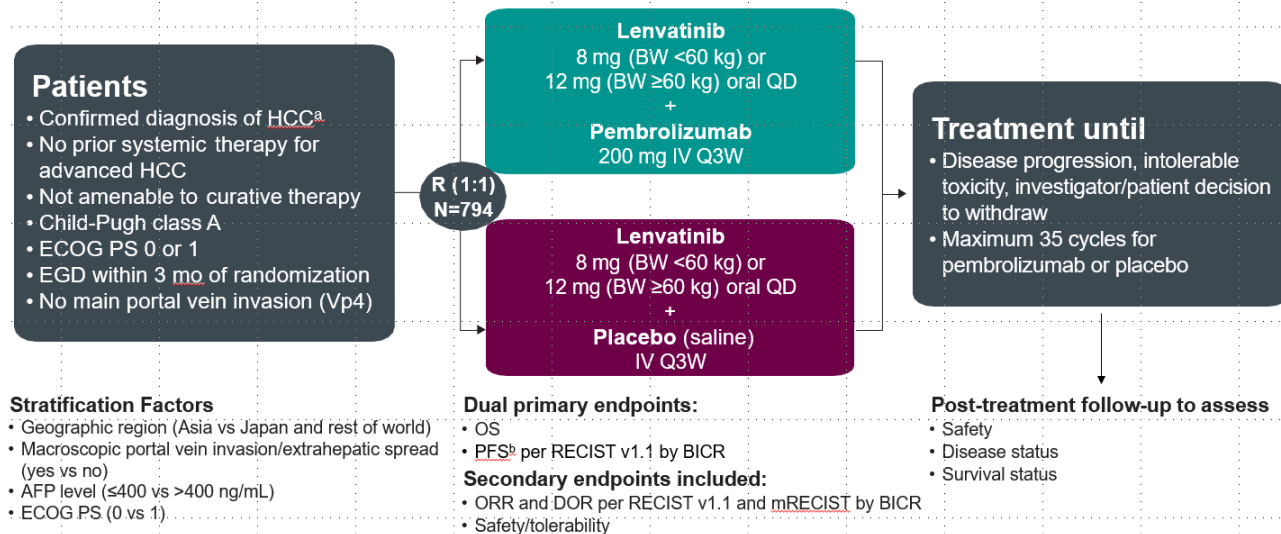


- Improved PFS but no difference OS
  - PFS: Median 6.8 vs. 4.2 mos., HR 0.63
  - OS: Median 15.4 vs. 15.5 mos., HR 0.90
- New Drug Application (NDA) not submitted

# ICI + TKI Combinations in HCC: Mixed Results in Recent Phase 3 Trials, *cont.*

- LEAP-002: Lenvatinib plus pembrolizumab versus Lenvatinib as First-Line Therapy for Advanced HCC

## LEAP-002 Study Design (NCT03713593)

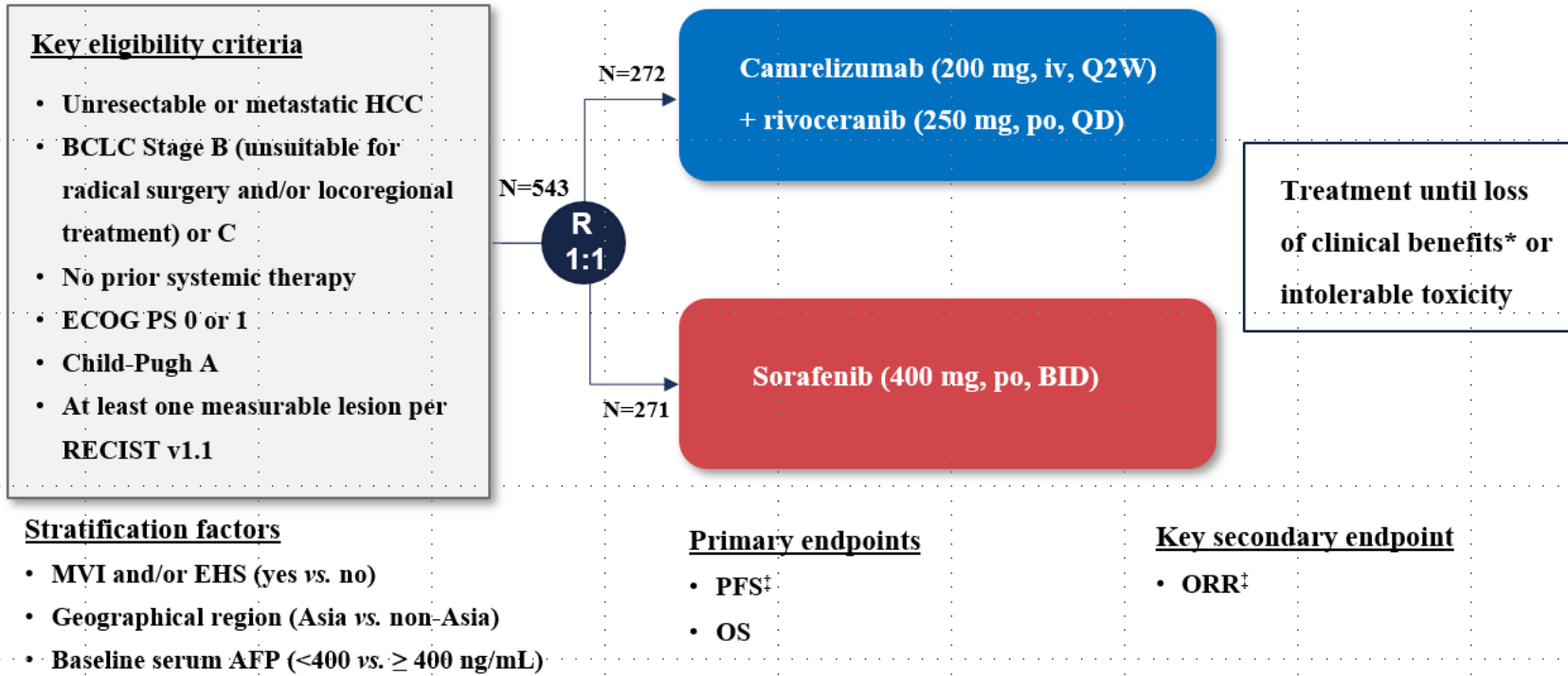


- No difference OS or PFS
  - OS: Median 21.2 vs. 19.0 mos. (HR 0.840)
  - PFS: Median 8.2 vs. 8.0 mos. (HR 0.867)
- Unexpectedly long OS and PFS for lenvatinib control arm



# ICI + TKI Combinations in HCC: Mixed Results in Recent Phase 3 Trials

## Phase 3 trial of Camrelizumab + Rivoceranib (Apatinib) Study Design

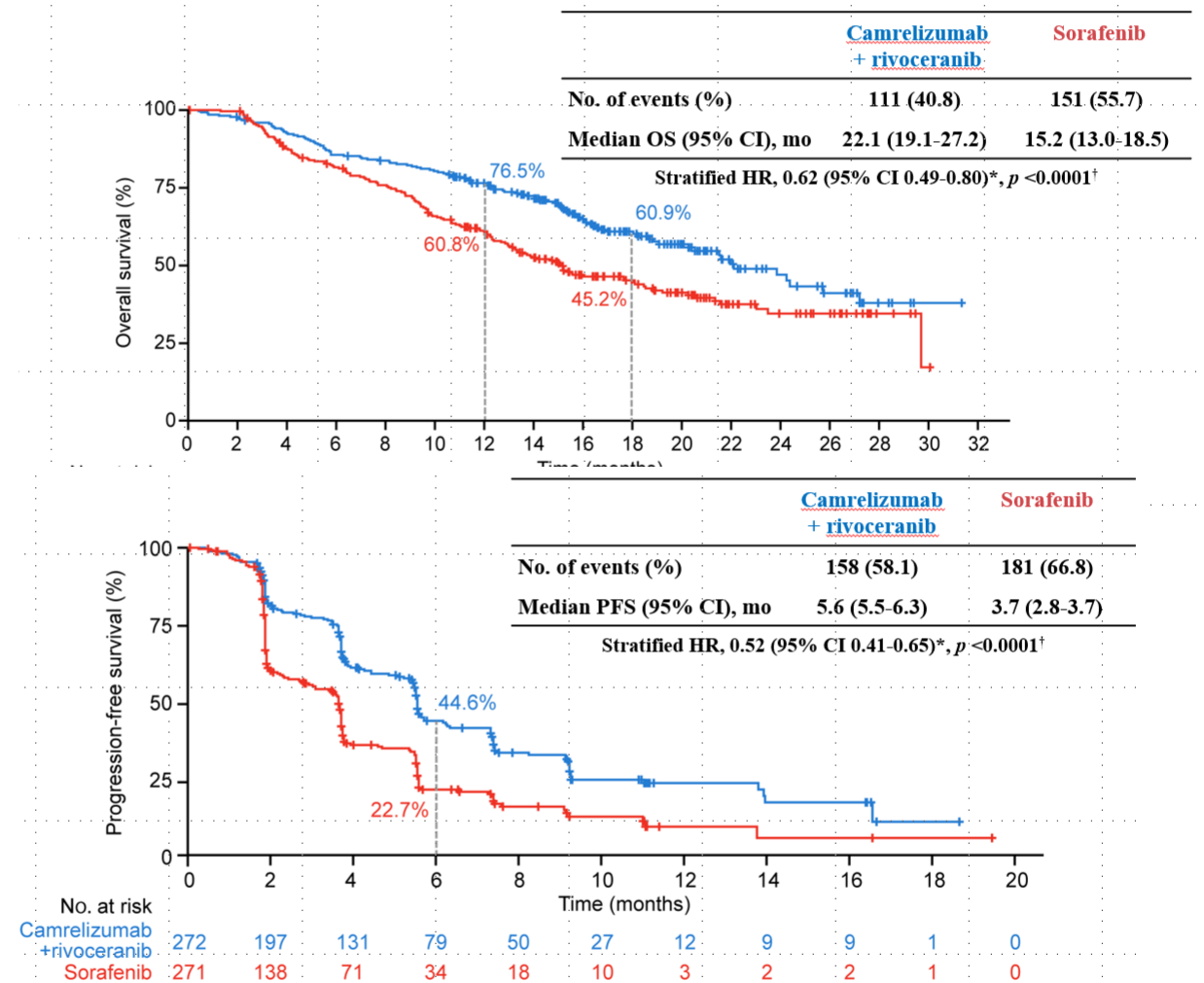


| Characteristic         | Camrelizumab + rivoceranib (N=272) | Sorafenib (N=271) |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Age, years             | 58 (48-66)                         | 56 (47-64)        |
| Male                   | 227 (83.5)                         | 230 (84.9)        |
| Geographical region    |                                    |                   |
| Asia*                  | 225 (82.7)                         | 224 (82.7)        |
| Non-Asia <sup>†</sup>  | 47 (17.3)                          | 47 (17.3)         |
| Etiology <sup>‡</sup>  |                                    |                   |
| HBV                    | 208 (76.5)                         | 197 (72.7)        |
| HCV                    | 22 (8.1)                           | 29 (10.7)         |
| Non-viral <sup>§</sup> | 42 (15.4)                          | 45 (16.6)         |

- Enrolled predominantly Asian, HBV+ population

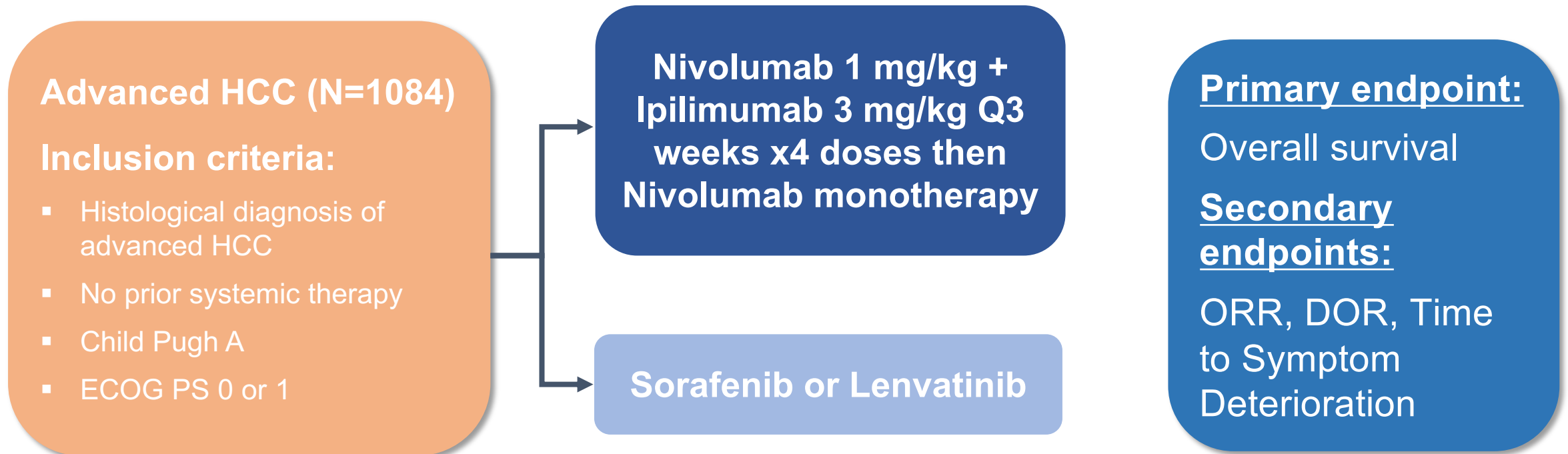
# Camrelizumab + Rivoceranib

- Improved OS and PFS:
  - OS: Median 22.1 vs. 15.2 mos. (HR 0.62)
  - PFS: Median 5.6 vs. 3.7 mos. (HR 0.52)
  - ORR 25.4% vs. 5.9% by RECIST 1.1
- Safety:
  - Discontinuation any component in 24.3%
  - Grade 3-4 TRAE 80.5%
  - Any grade hemorrhage 32%, grade  $\geq 3$  3.3%
  - Grade  $\geq 3$  related hepatotoxicity 33.1%
    - Steroids required in 16.2%



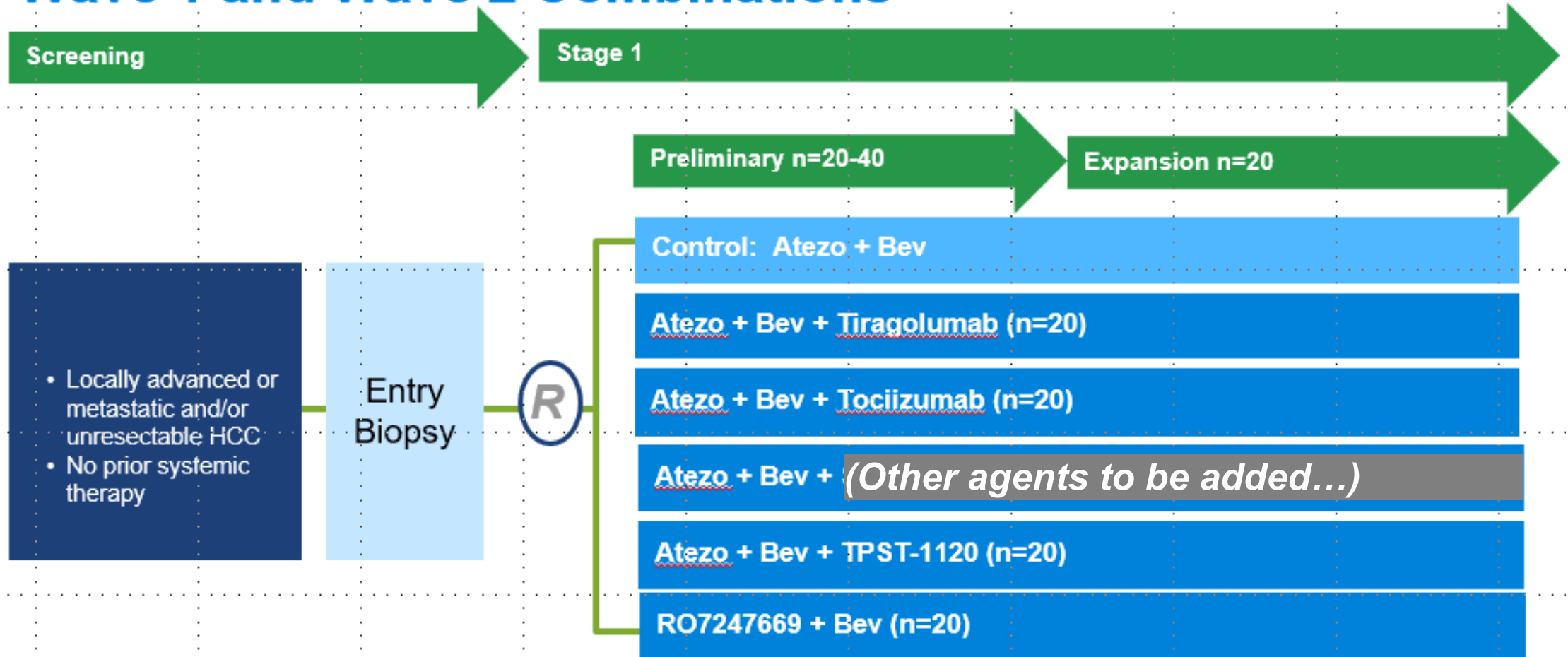
# Ongoing Trial: Checkmate 9DW

- Phase 3 Trial of Nivolumab + Ipilimumab vs. SOC in 1<sup>st</sup> line HCC
- Randomized Open-Label Study

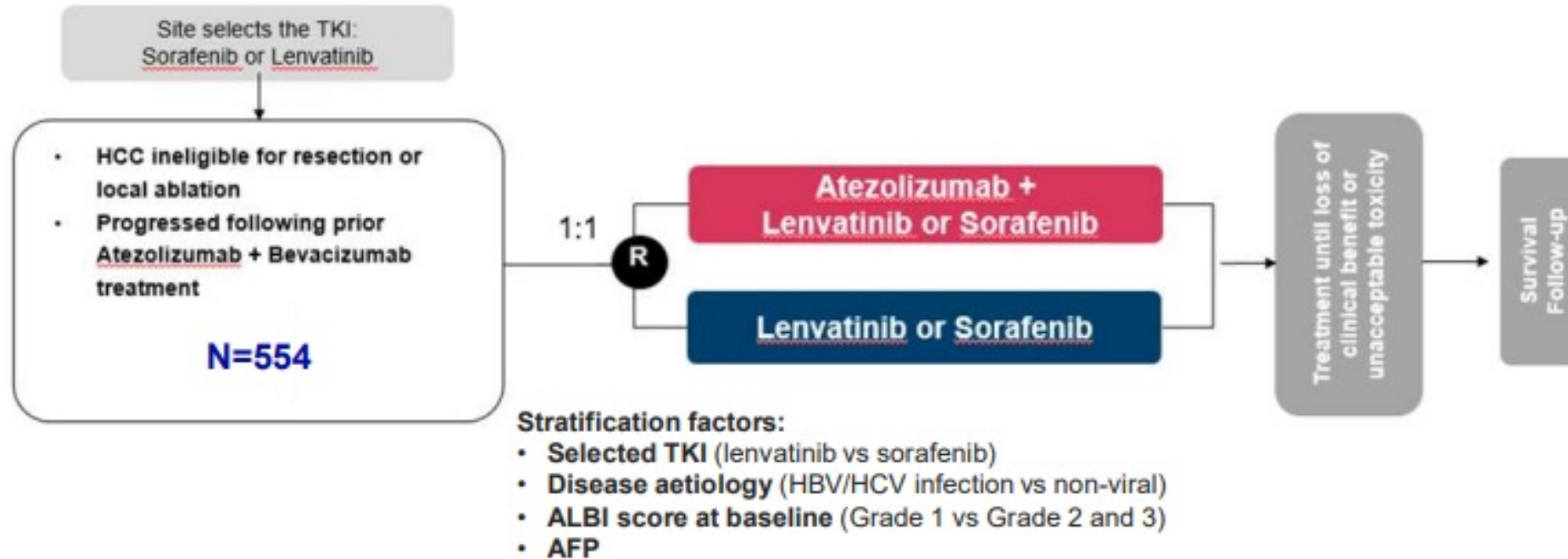


# Ongoing Phase 1b/2 Platform Trial: MORPHEUS Liver

## MORPHEUS Liver Study Design – 1<sup>st</sup> Line HCC Cohort Wave 1 and Wave 2 Combinations



# IMbrave251 Study Design (2<sup>nd</sup> Line post Atezo+Bev)



## Efficacy objectives

- Primary: OS
- Secondary: PFS,\* ORR,\* DoR,\* TTP,\* TTD in PROs

## Safety objective

- Incidence and severity of AEs

## Exploratory objectives

- Biomarkers
- Pharmacokinetics

# Conclusions and Future Directions

- Multiple systemic treatment options for advanced HCC
  - Improve OS, ORR, and QOL compared to sorafenib
  - Enable individualized treatments according to comorbidities/AE profiles
- New ICI combination regimens are being studied in advanced stages as well as in earlier stages including adjuvant and in combination with liver-directed therapy
  - IMbrave050 may establish new role for adjuvant atezo+bev
  - EMERALD-1 demonstrates benefit for Durva/Bev with TACE
- Future studies are needed to:
  - Identify new combinations to overcome primary and acquired resistance
  - Determine safety and efficacy in broader HCC populations (e.g. Child Pugh B hepatic dysfunction, Vp4, post-transplant)
  - Define relevant biologic subgroups and biomarkers to predict response

# Thank you!

Questions?