



# UPDATES IN IMMUNOTHERAPY IN METASTATIC LUNG CANCER

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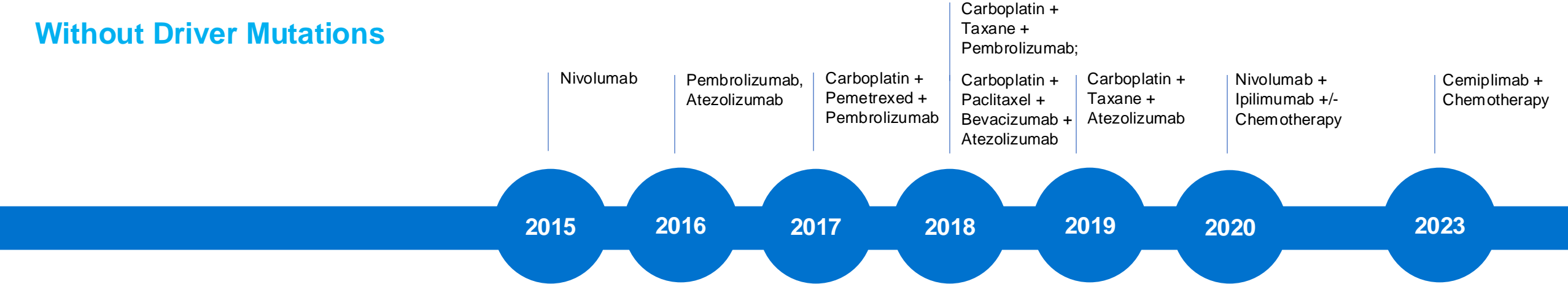
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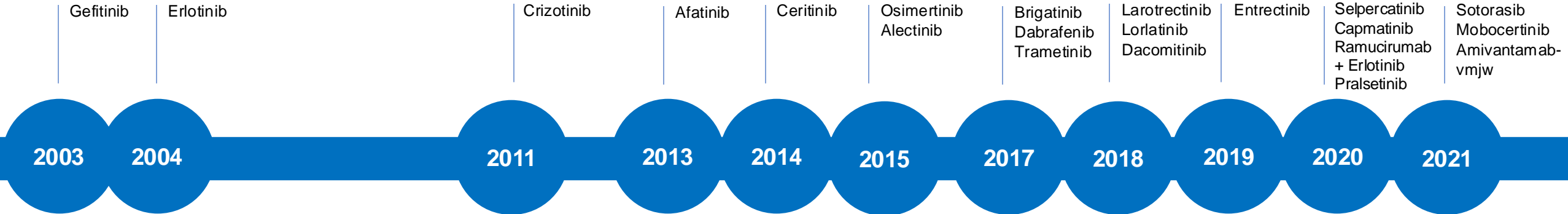
# Treatment Approvals in Metastatic NSCLC with and without Driver Mutations



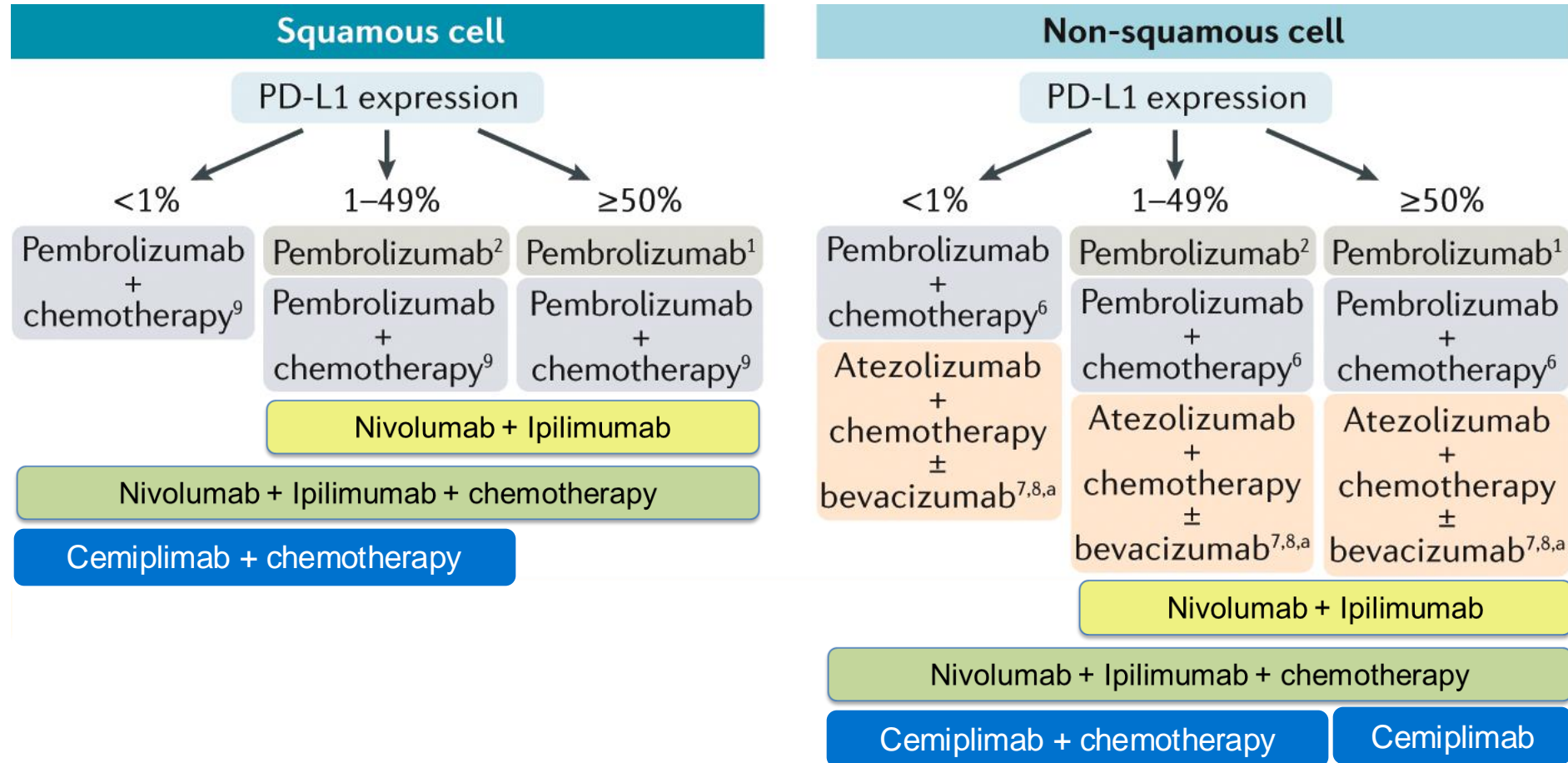
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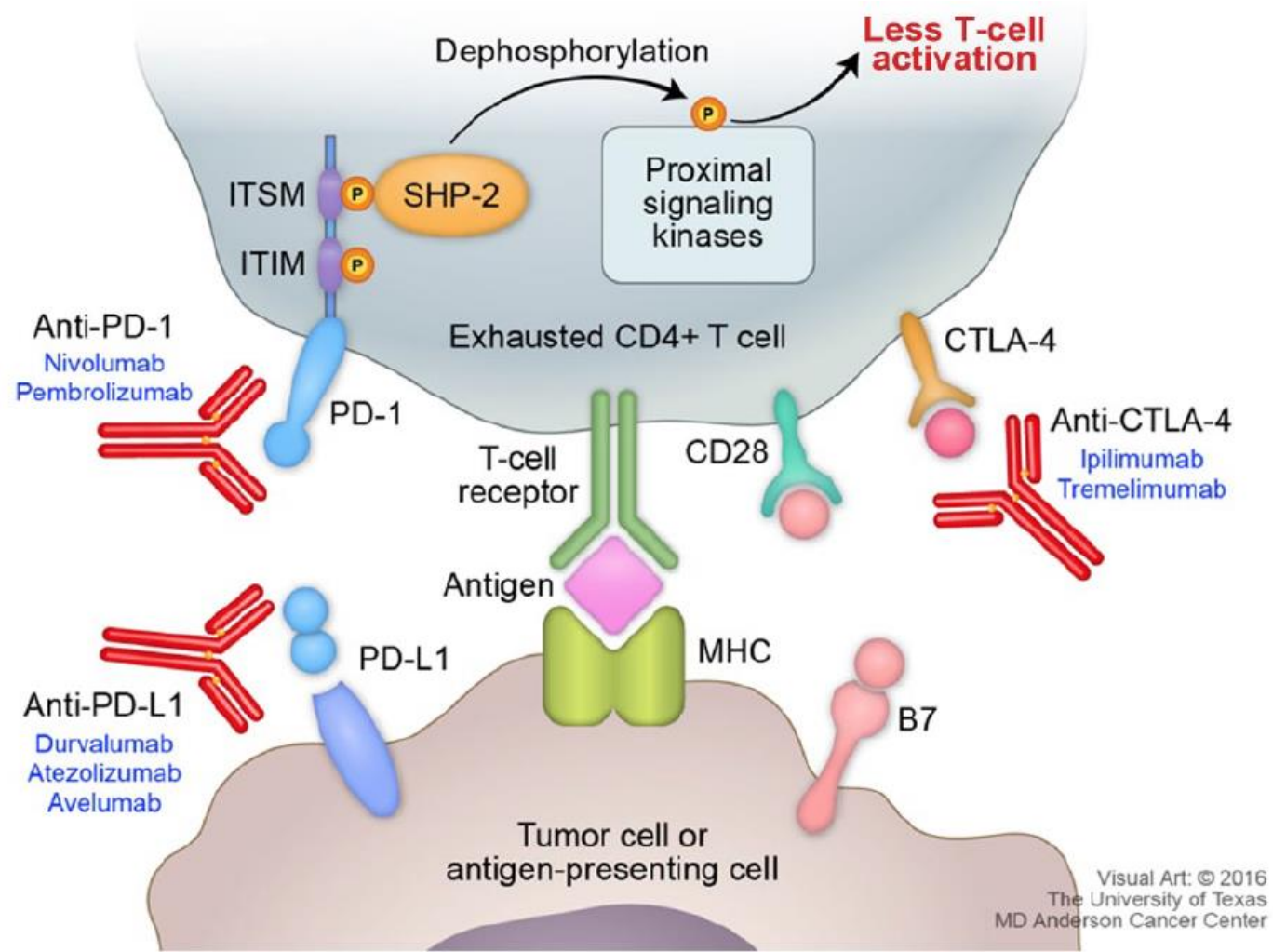
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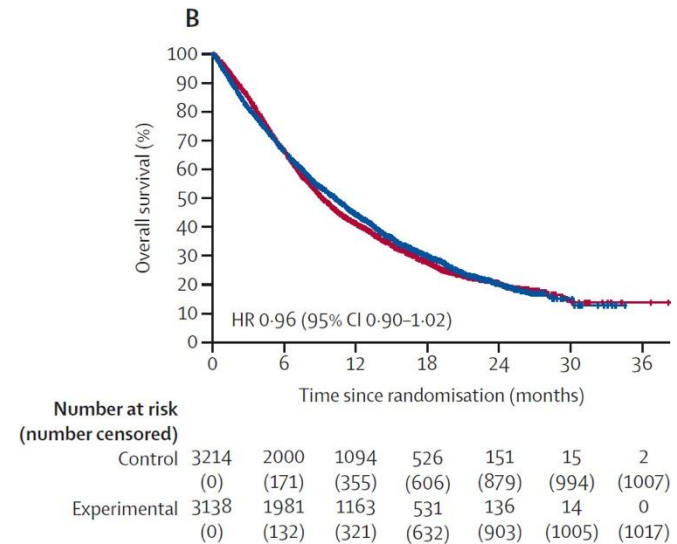
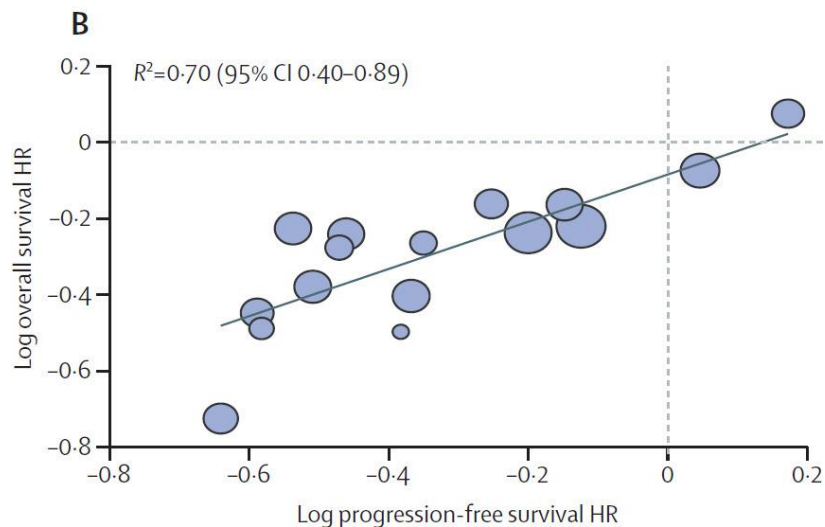
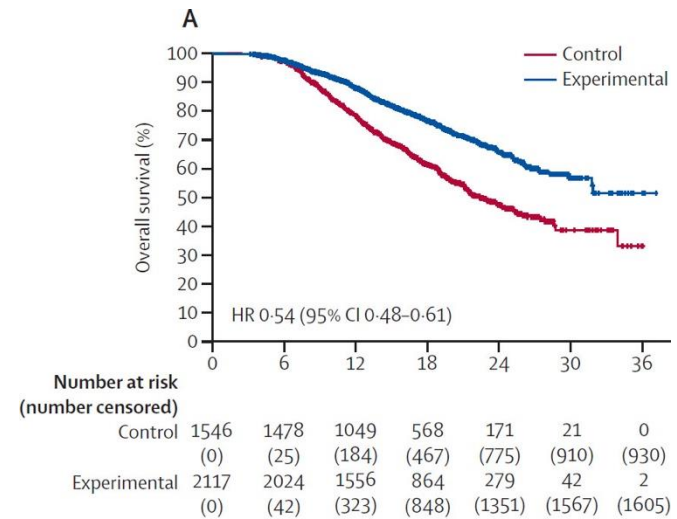
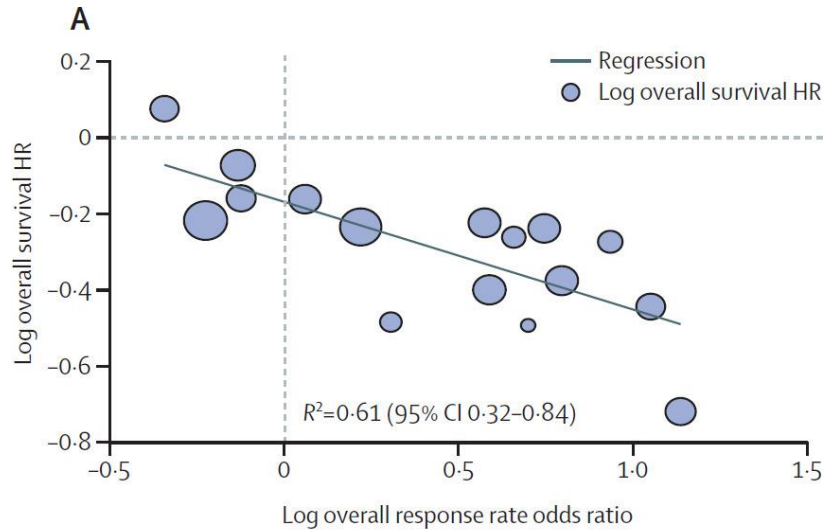
# Current First-Line Treatment in Metastatic NSCLC (No Driver Mutations)



# PD-1/PD-L1 Pathway and Immunotherapy Targets



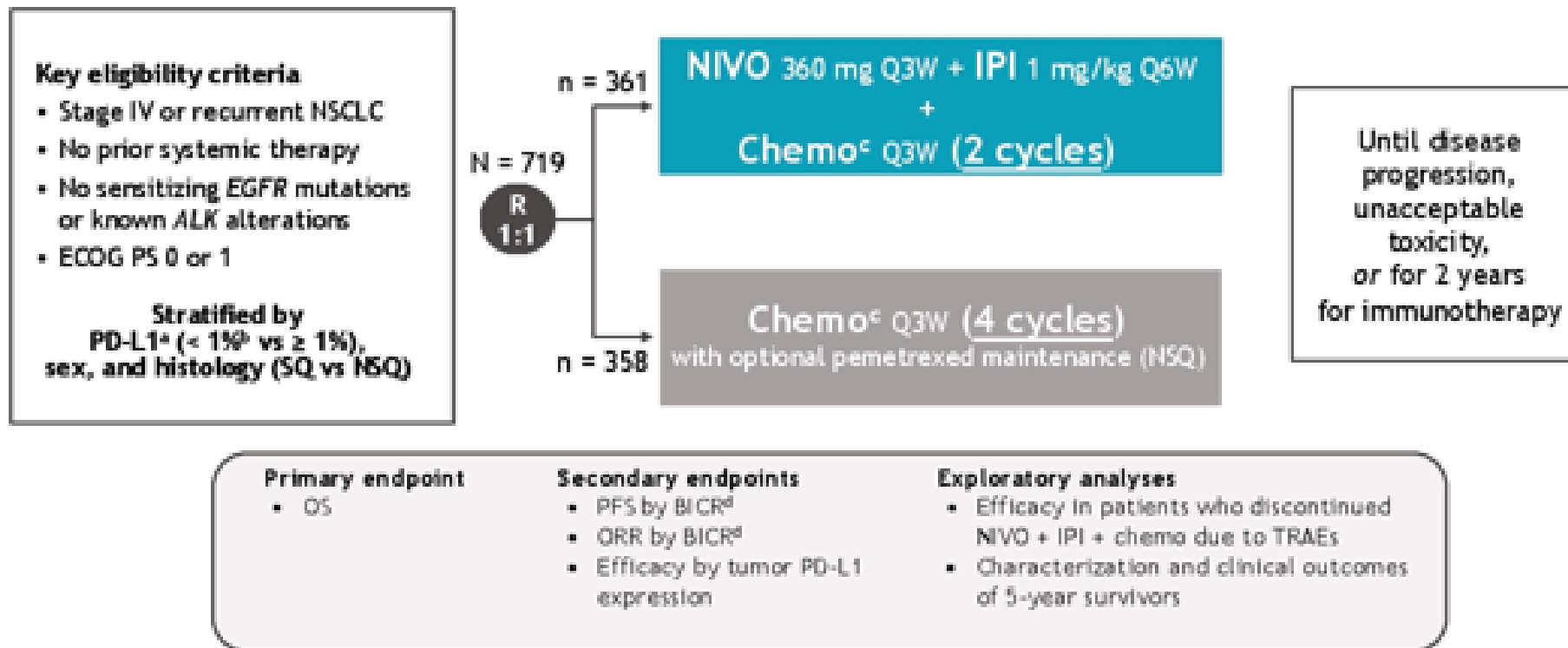
# FDA Pooled Analysis: Response Rate and Progression-Free Survival with Overall Survival in Immunotherapy





# DOUBLE CHECKPOINT INHIBITION

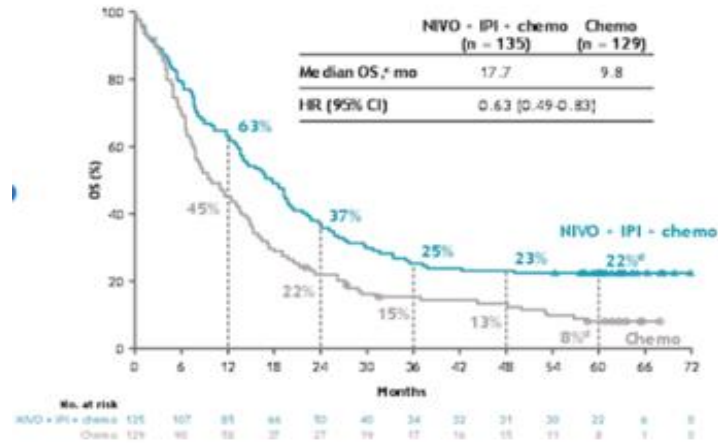
# CHECKMATE 9LA: 5 years survival update



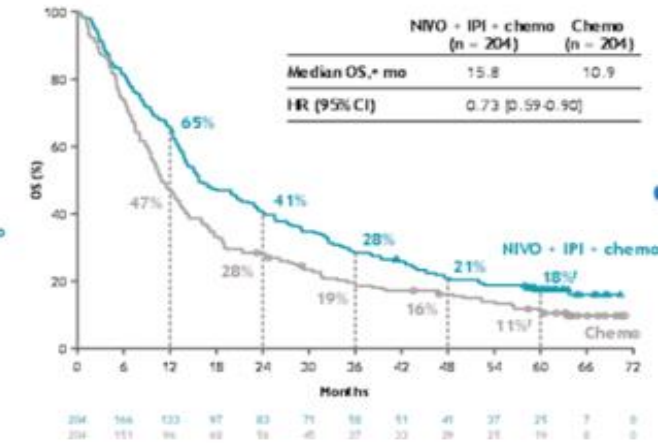
# CHECKMATE 9LA: Survival by PDL1 status and histology



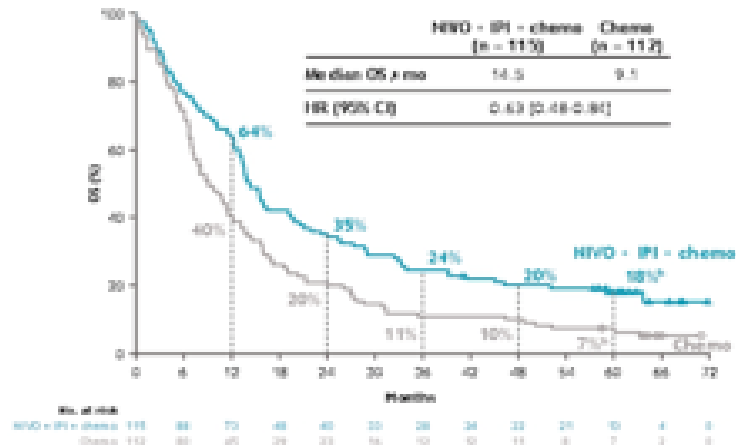
**B. PD-L1 < 1%**



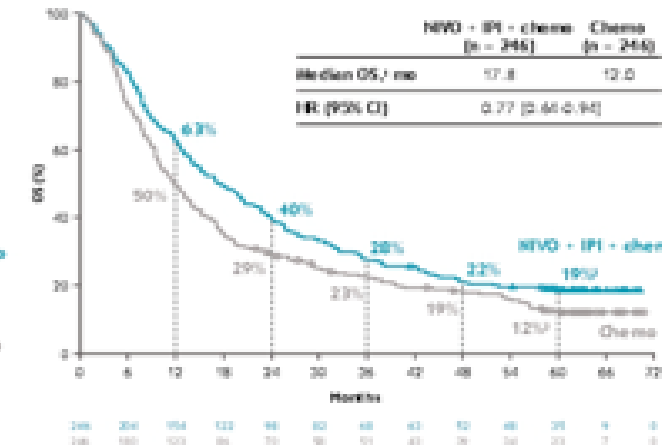
**C. PD-L1 ≥ 1%**



**D. SQ**



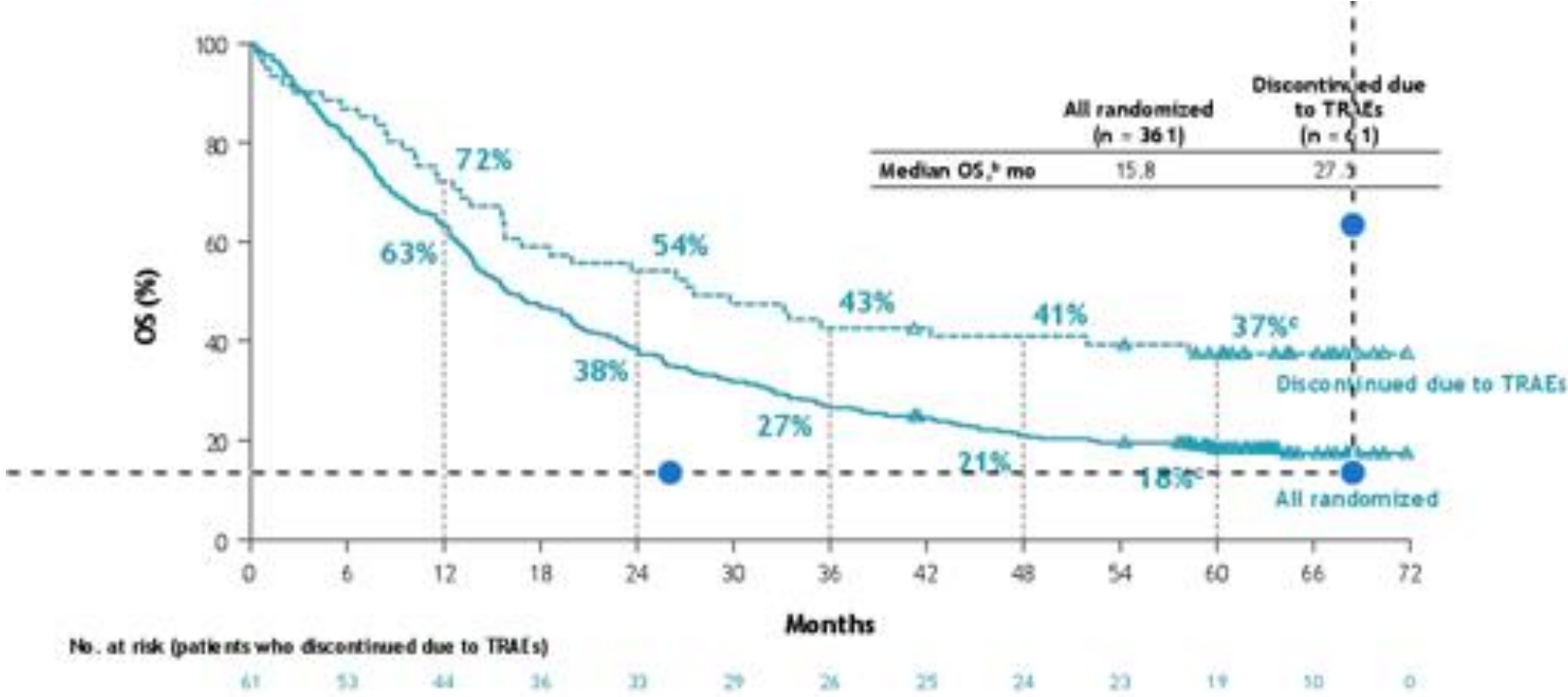
**E. NSQ**



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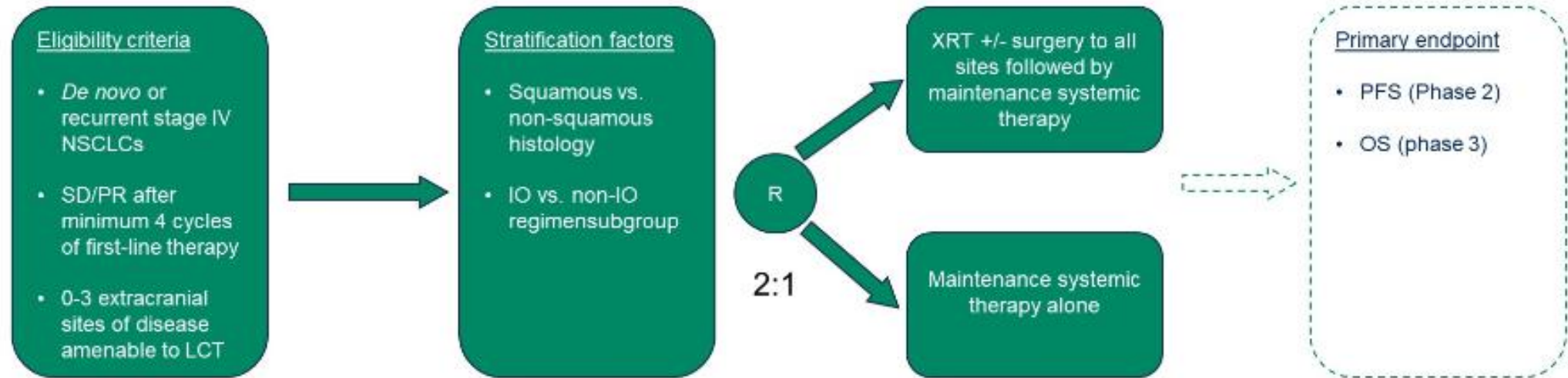
# CHECKMATE 9LA: Survival in patients with TRAE





# IMMUNOTHERAPY+ RADIATION THERAPY

# NRG-LU002: Maintenance Systemic Therapy vs. Local Consolidative Therapy + Maintenance Therapy for Limited Metastatic NSCLC



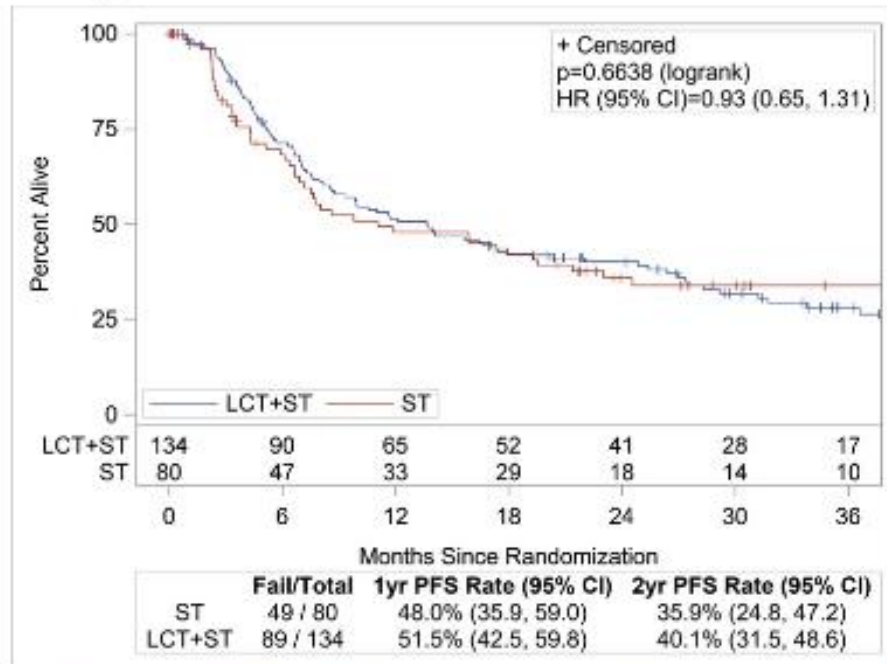
## Key features

- 91% patients received immunotherapy-based systemic treatment
- 85% patients had 1-2 lesions after 1<sup>st</sup> line Tx
- **Patients had up to 25 lesions at baseline**
- XRT to primary tumor in 31% patients only
- **No subgroup analysis yet (clinical factors or biomarkers)**

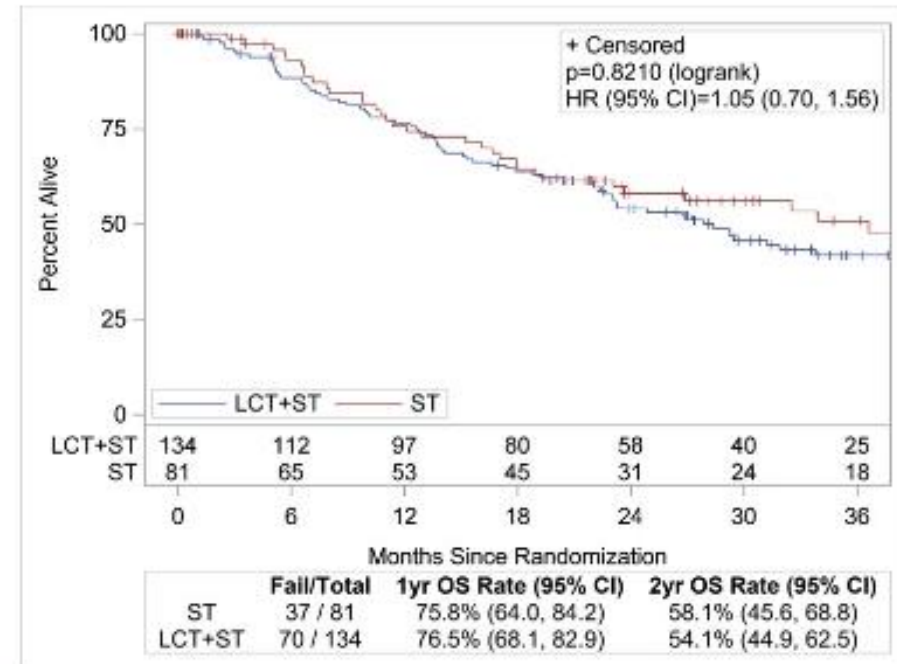
# NRG-LU002: PFS and OS



Progression-free survival



Overall survival

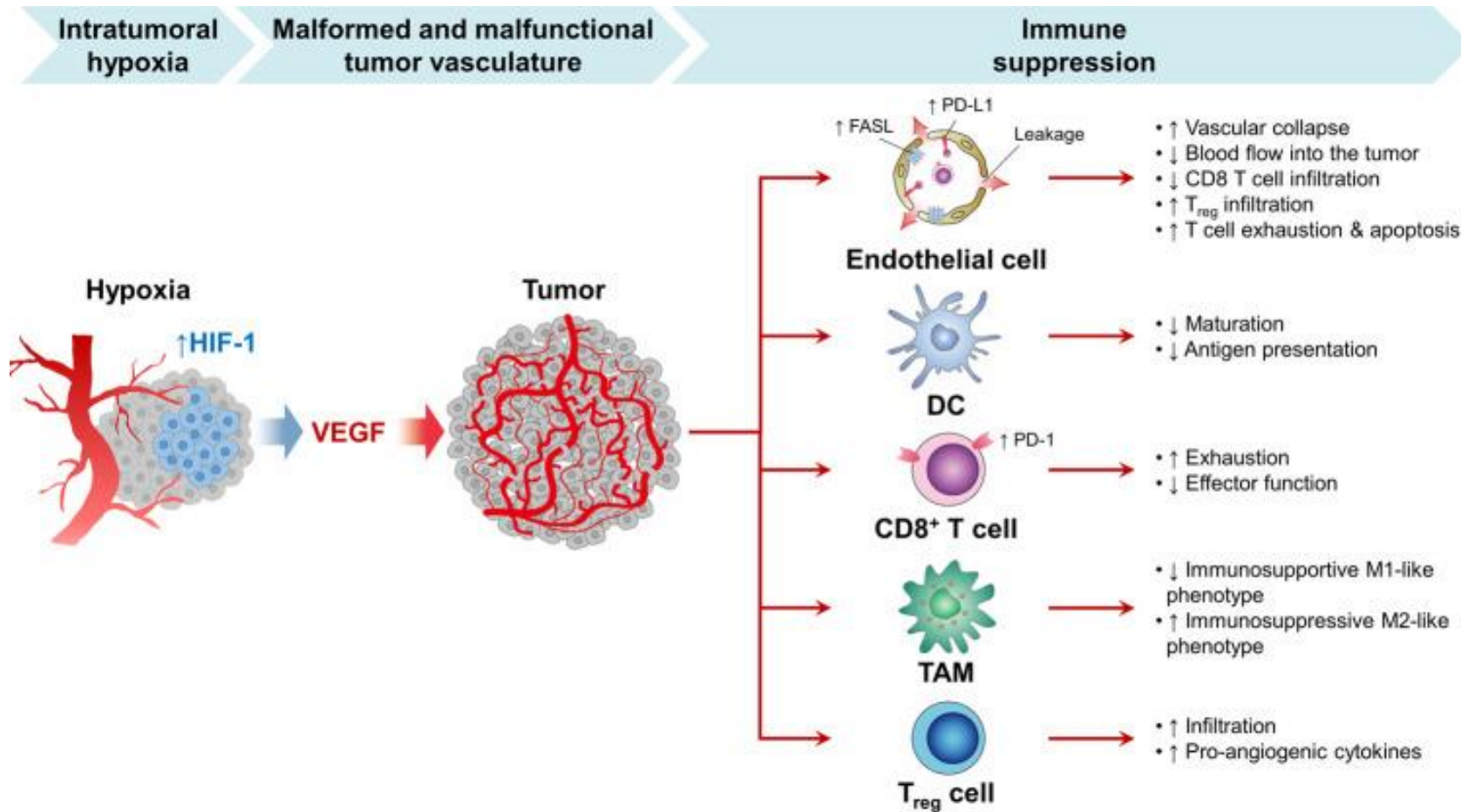


- None of the HRs were statistically significant, although there was a trend towards a delay in in-filed recurrences and new lesion development in the LCT arm
- More grade 2+ toxicities (84% vs 73%) and grade 3+ pneumonitis (10% vs 1%) in LCT arm

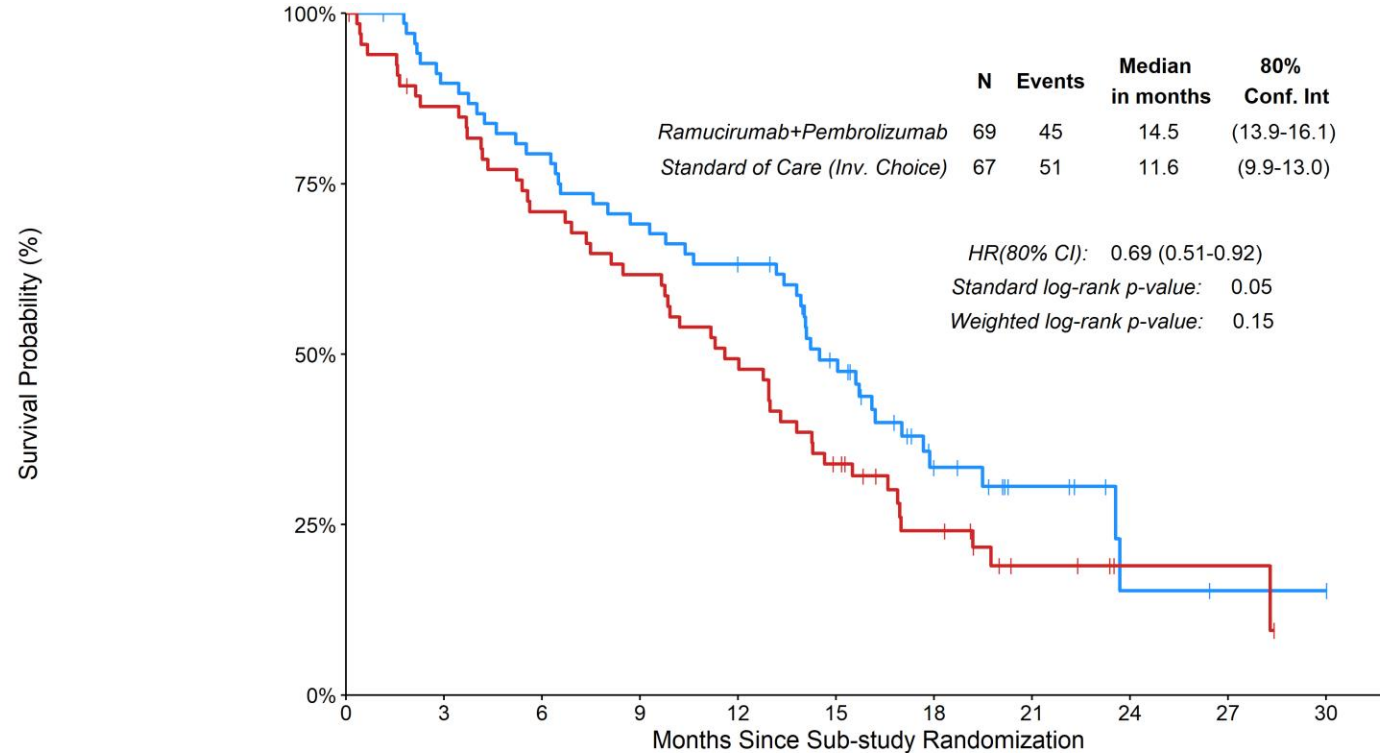


# IMMUNOTHERAPY+ ANTIANGIOGENIC AGENTS

# Role of hypoxia and tumor vasculature in immune suppression

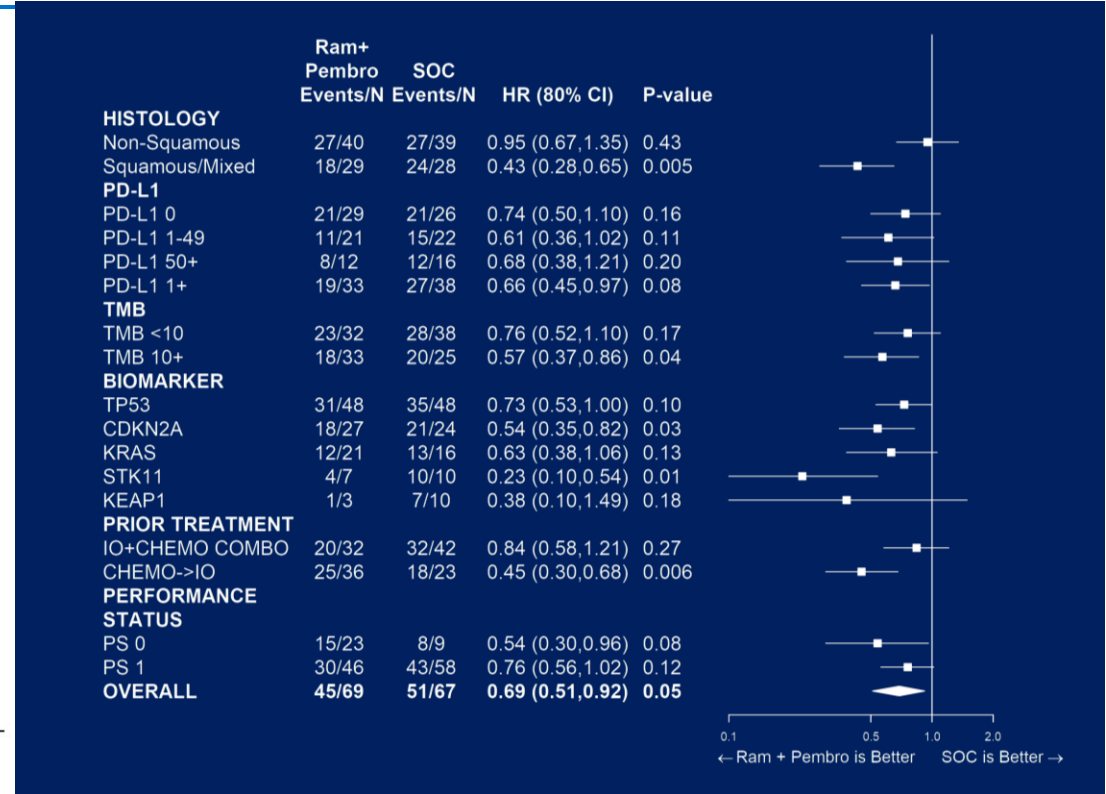


# S1800A: Pembrolizumab plus Ramucirumab



Number at risk (number of events)

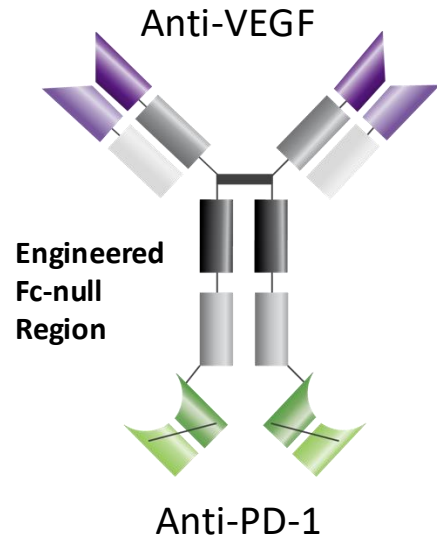
	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Ramucirumab+Pembrolizumab	69 (0)	61 (7)	54 (14)	47 (21)	42 (25)	29 (34)	14 (42)	7 (43)	2 (45)	1 (45)	1 (45)
Standard of Care (Inv. Choice)	67 (0)	56 (9)	46 (19)	40 (25)	32 (33)	21 (43)	12 (48)	5 (50)	2 (50)	2 (50)	0 (51)



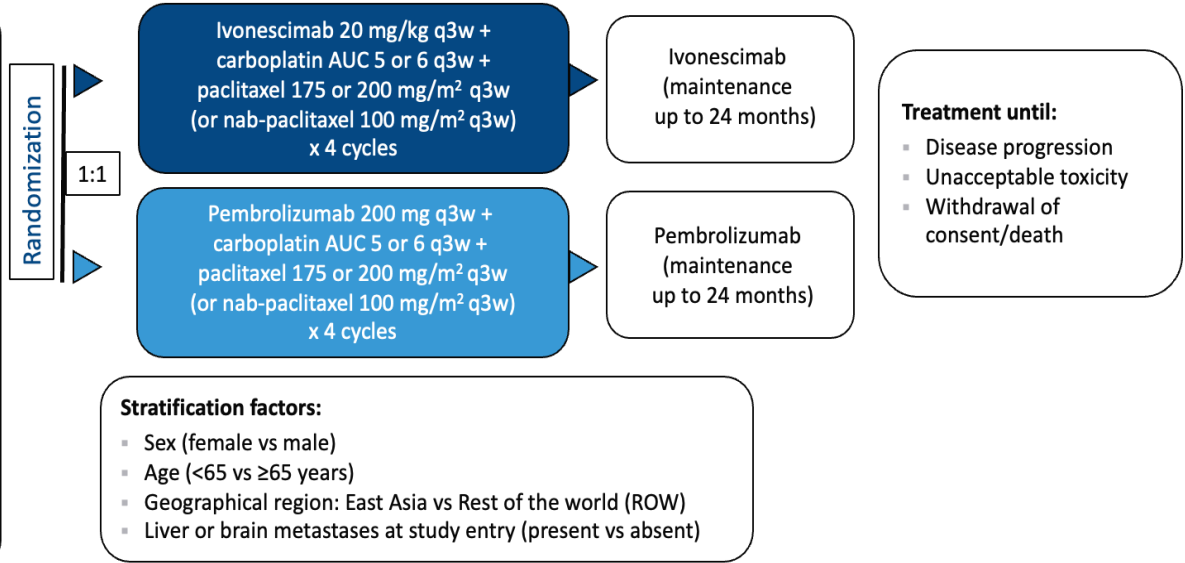
• **Standard of care therapy received:**

- Docetaxel + Ramucirumab (n = 45)
- Docetaxel (n = 3)
- Gemcitabine (n = 12)
- Pemetrexed (n = 1)
- No treatment (n = 6)

# Ivonescimab (PD-1/VEGF bispecific antibody)



- Key Inclusion:**
- First-line Stage IV squamous NSCLC
- Key Exclusion:**
- Known actionable mutations for which 1L approved agents are available
  - Symptomatic central nervous system (CNS) metastases
  - Major blood vessel invasion or encasement by cancer; intratumor cavitation
  - History of bleeding tendencies or coagulopathy or clinically significant bleeding symptoms or risk (including GI bleeding, hemoptysis)
  - Active autoimmune disease

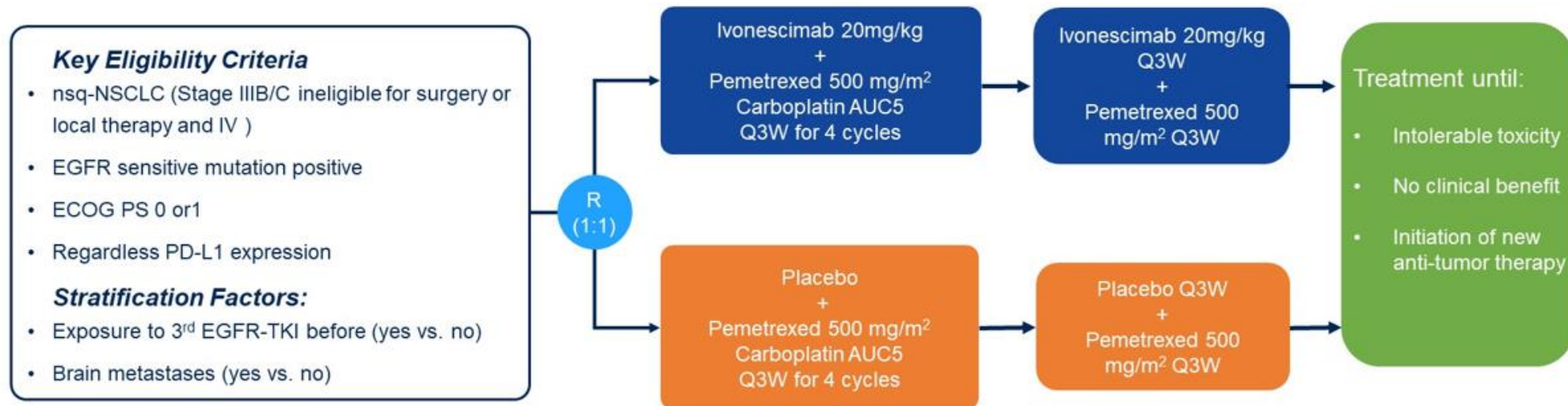


JW Riess et al. ENA 2023

On May 30, 2024 It was announced that the Phase III clinical trial, HARMONi-2 or AK112-303, met its primary endpoint of progression-free survival (PFS). HARMONi-2 evaluated monotherapy ivonescimab against monotherapy pembrolizumab in patients with locally advanced or metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) whose tumors have positive PD-L1 expression (PD-L1 TPS ≥1%).



# HARMONi-A: Ivonescimab + Chemotherapy in *EGFR*+ NSCLC After EGFR TKI Progression



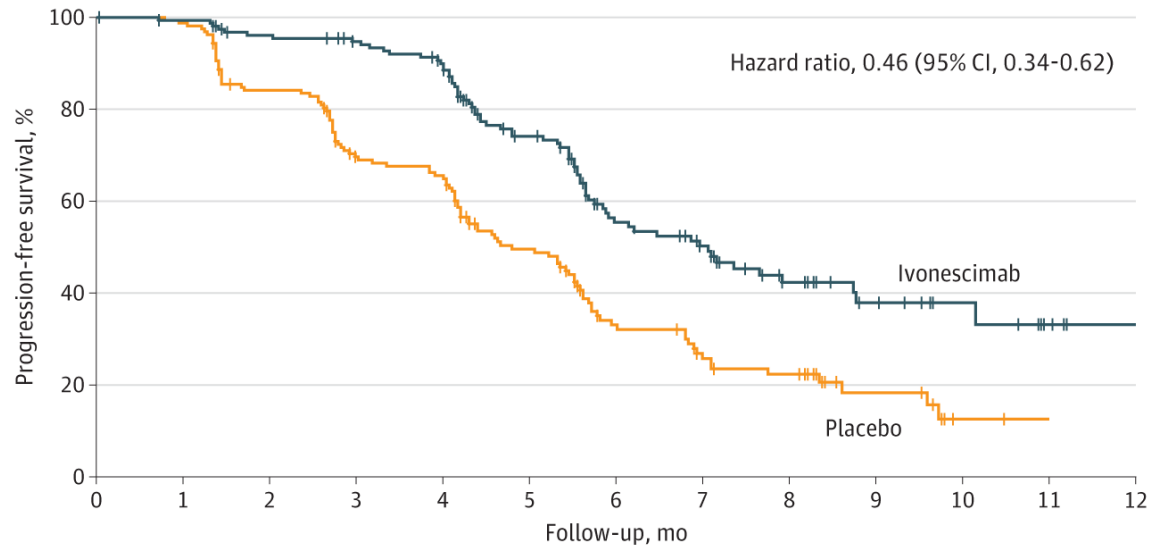
## Key features

- Multi-center, placebo-controlled study
- Brain mets allowed (present in 22% of pts)
- 19% non-exon-19 del / L858R EGFR mutations (slightly higher in experimental arm)
- 86% exposed to 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen TKI (only 33% 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen TKI upfront - pts switched to 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen TKI irrespective of T790M)
- **No anti-VEGF in the control arm**
- No biomarker data yet (e.g., PD-L1)

# HARMONi-A: Progression-Free Survival & Key Results



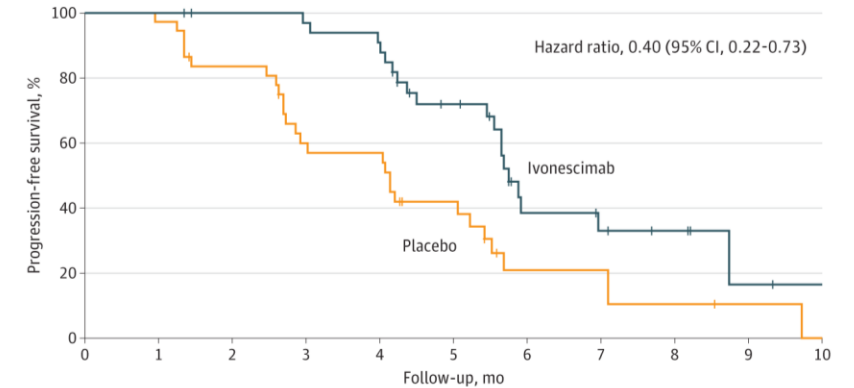
**A** Intention-to-treat population (primary outcome)



No. of patients at risk (No. of events)

Ivonescimab	161 (0)	155 (1)	144 (6)	138 (8)	129 (15)	92 (36)	56 (57)	44 (62)	27 (68)	16 (70)	8 (70)	3 (71)	0 (71)
Placebo	161 (0)	157 (2)	130 (25)	102 (47)	96 (53)	63 (75)	33 (94)	23 (101)	19 (104)	8 (106)	1 (108)	0 (108)	

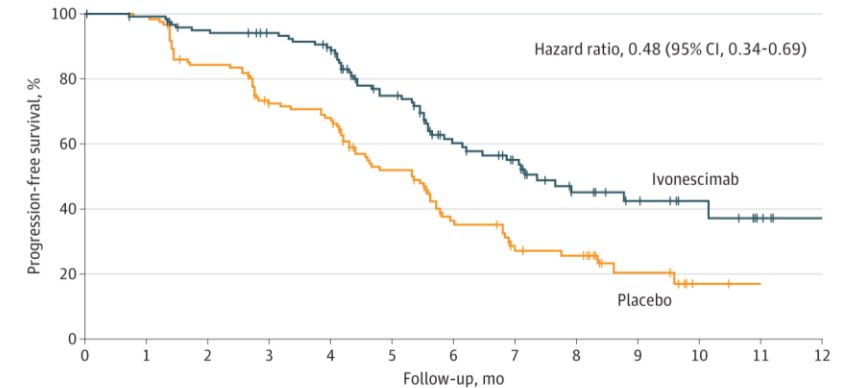
**B** Patients with brain metastasis (preliminary outcome)



No. of patients at risk (No. of events)

Ivonescimab	35 (0)	35 (0)	33 (0)	32 (1)	30 (3)	20 (9)	8 (17)	6 (18)	4 (18)	1 (19)	0 (19)
Placebo	37 (0)	36 (1)	29 (6)	20 (14)	19 (15)	11 (20)	4 (25)	4 (25)	2 (27)	1 (27)	0 (28)

**C** Patients without brain metastasis (preliminary outcome)



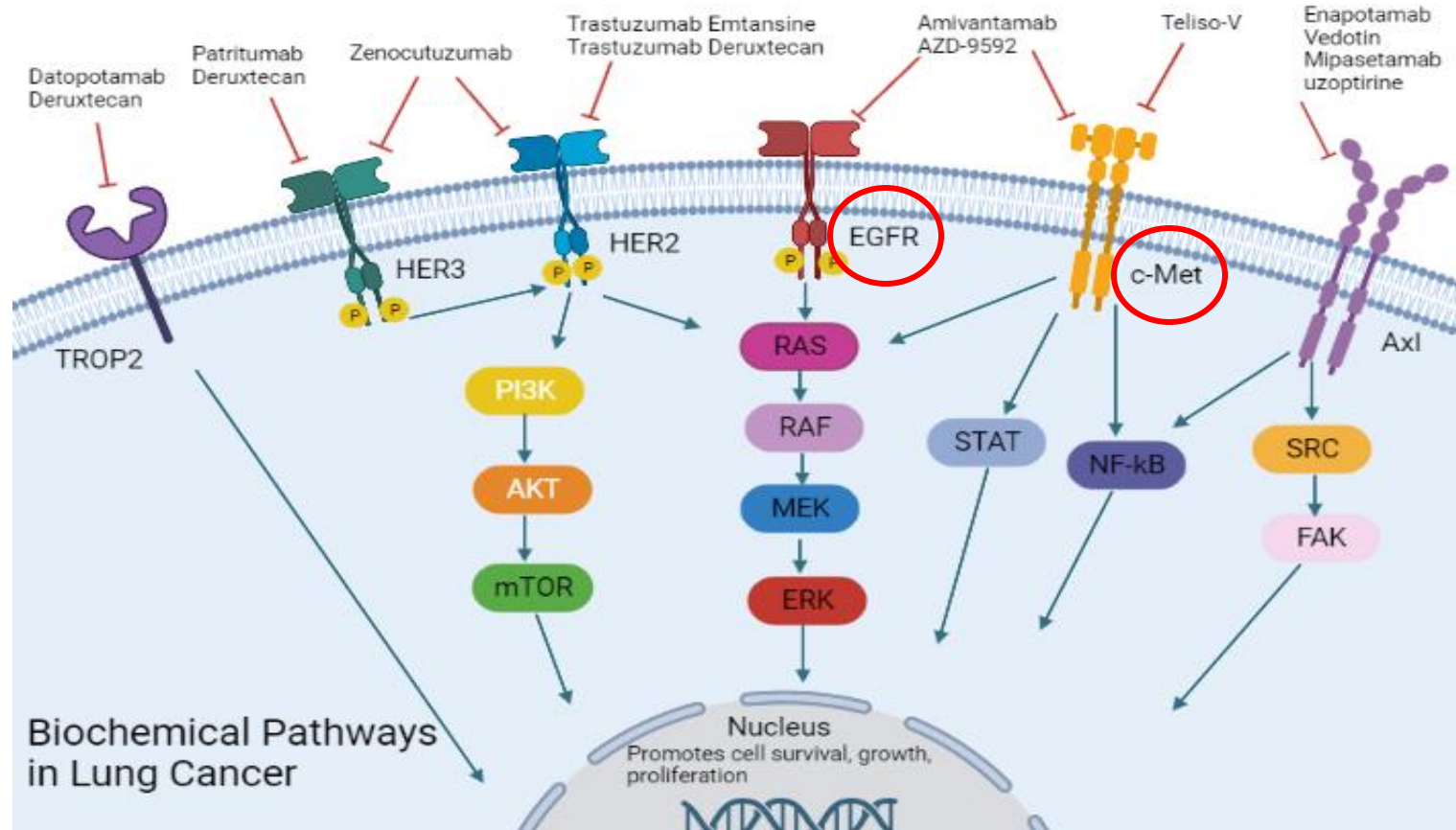
No. of patients at risk (No. of events)

Ivonescimab	126 (0)	120 (1)	111 (6)	106 (7)	99 (12)	72 (27)	48 (40)	38 (44)	23 (50)	15 (51)	8 (51)	3 (52)	0 (52)
Placebo	124 (0)	121 (1)	101 (19)	82 (33)	77 (38)	52 (55)	29 (69)	19 (76)	17 (77)	7 (79)	1 (0)	0 (80)	

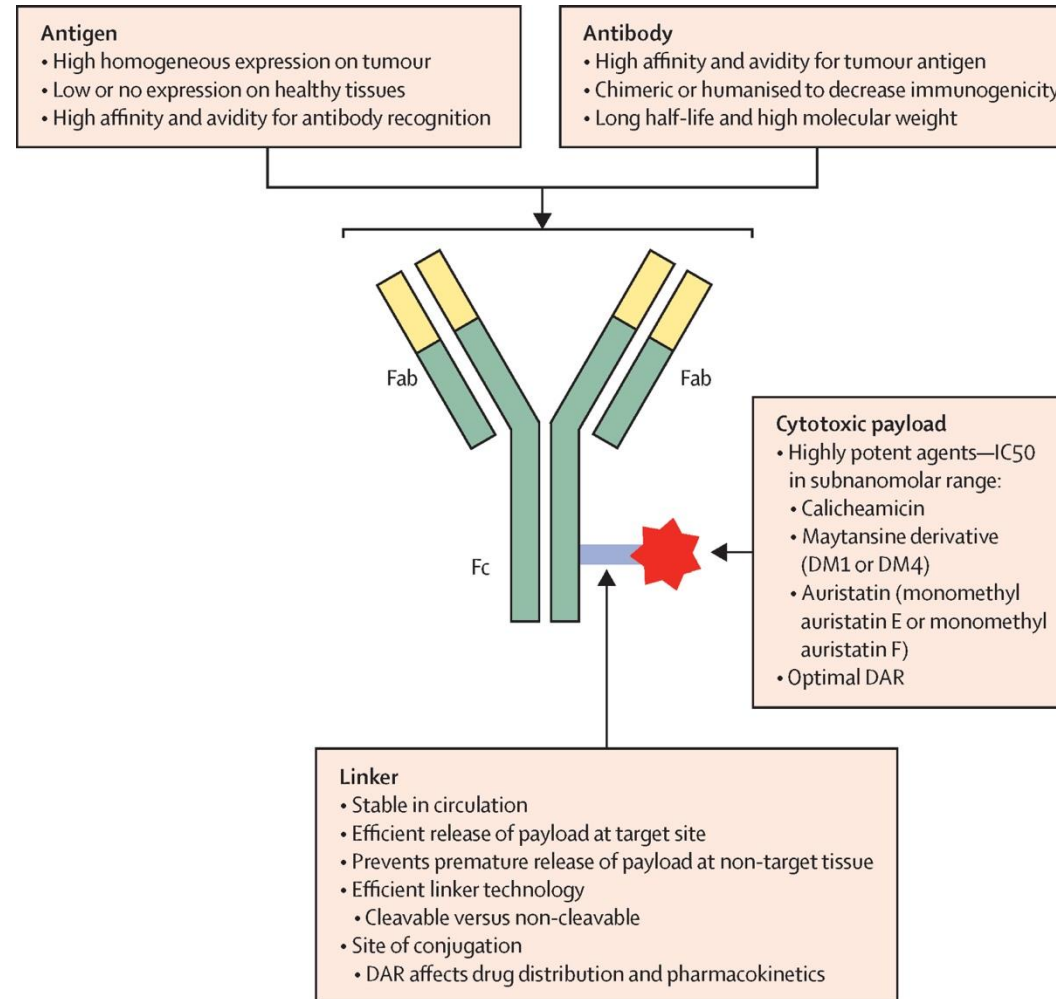


# IMMUNOTHERAPY NOVEL TARGETS

# Novel Targets: Antibody-Drug Conjugates and Bispecifics







# Novel Targets: Antibody-Drug Conjugates

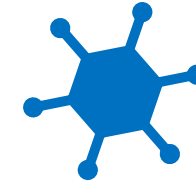
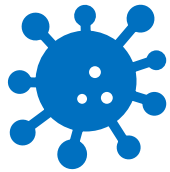


# Antibody-Drug Conjugates: The Antibody



	IgG1	IgG2	IgG3	IgG4
<b>Antibodies</b>				
<i>Serum half-life</i>	21 days	21 days	7 - 21 days	21 days
<i>C1q binding</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
<i>Fcγ avidity</i>	High	Low	High	Moderate

# Antibody-Drug Conjugates: The Antibody



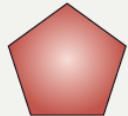



**High antigen density**  
in tumors, not normal  
tissue, to limit on-/off-  
target toxicity

**Rapid internalization**  
to facilitate rapid  
transmembrane  
trafficking enhancing  
intracellular ADC  
toxicity

**Surface localization,**  
affecting antigen  
presentation after  
exosomes are taken  
up by antigen-  
presenting cell

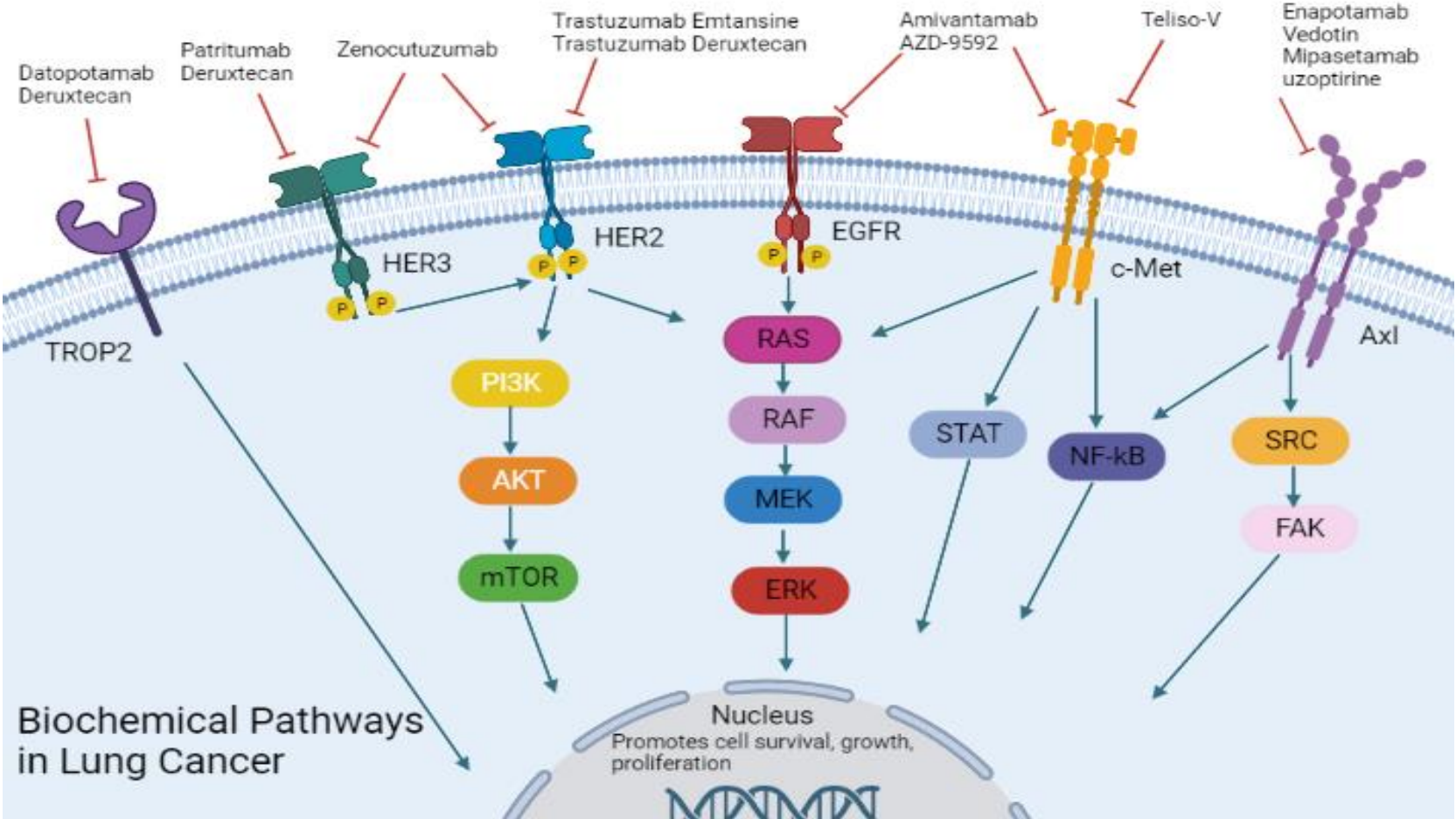
# Antibody-Drug Conjugates: The Warhead



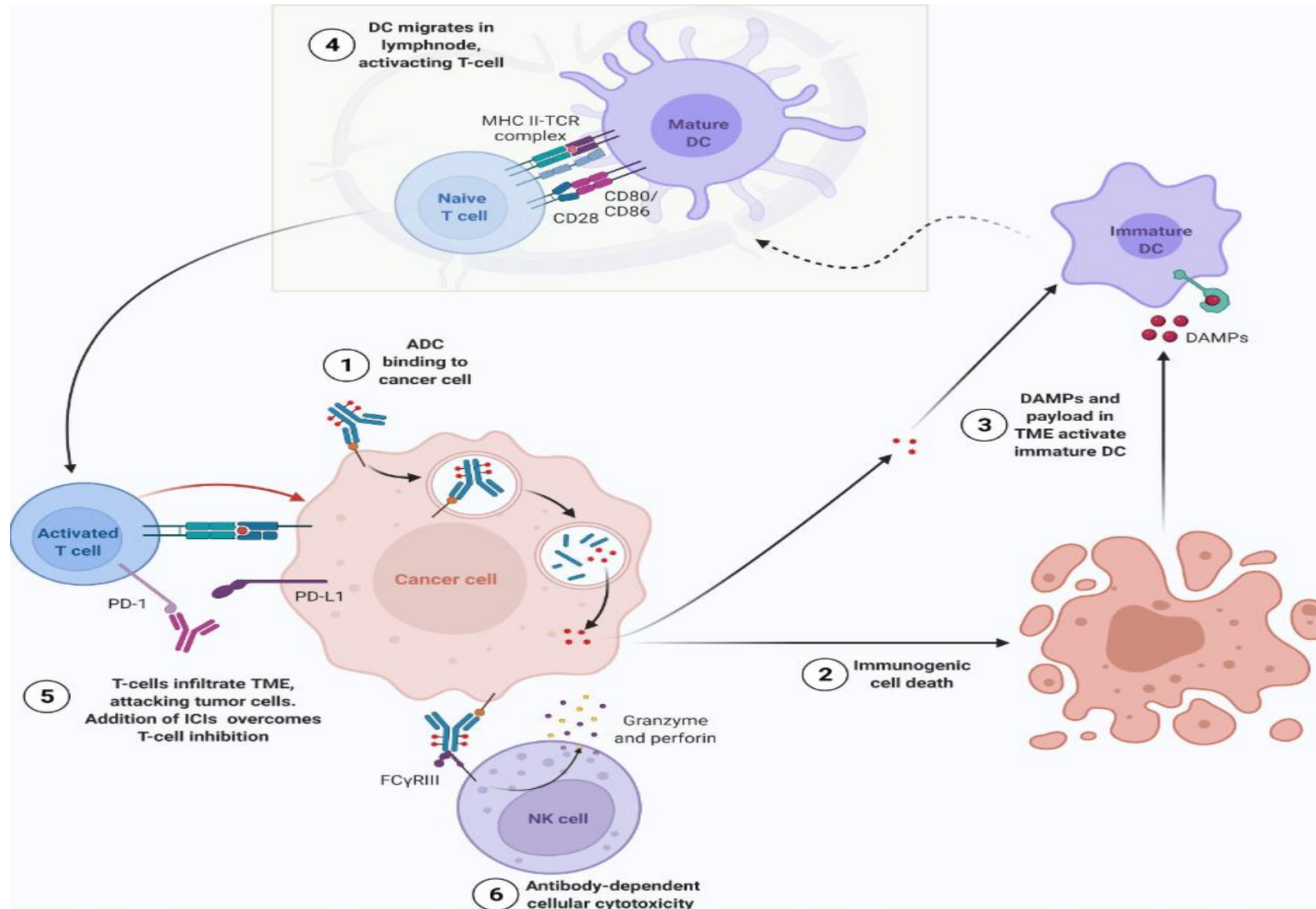
<b>Warhead class</b>	 Auristatins	 Maytansinoids	 Calicheamicins	 Camptothecins
<b>Mechanism</b>	Anti-microtubule	Anti-microtubule	DNA cleavage	Topoisomerase 1 inhibition
<b>Payload</b>	MMAE, MMAF	DM1	Ozogamicin	Deruxtecan (TDXd)
<b>Drug</b>	Telisotuzumab vedotin	Ado Trastuzumab Emstansine	Gemtuzumab ozogamicin	Trastuzumab deruxtecan



# Antibody-Drug Conjugates: Mechanism of Action



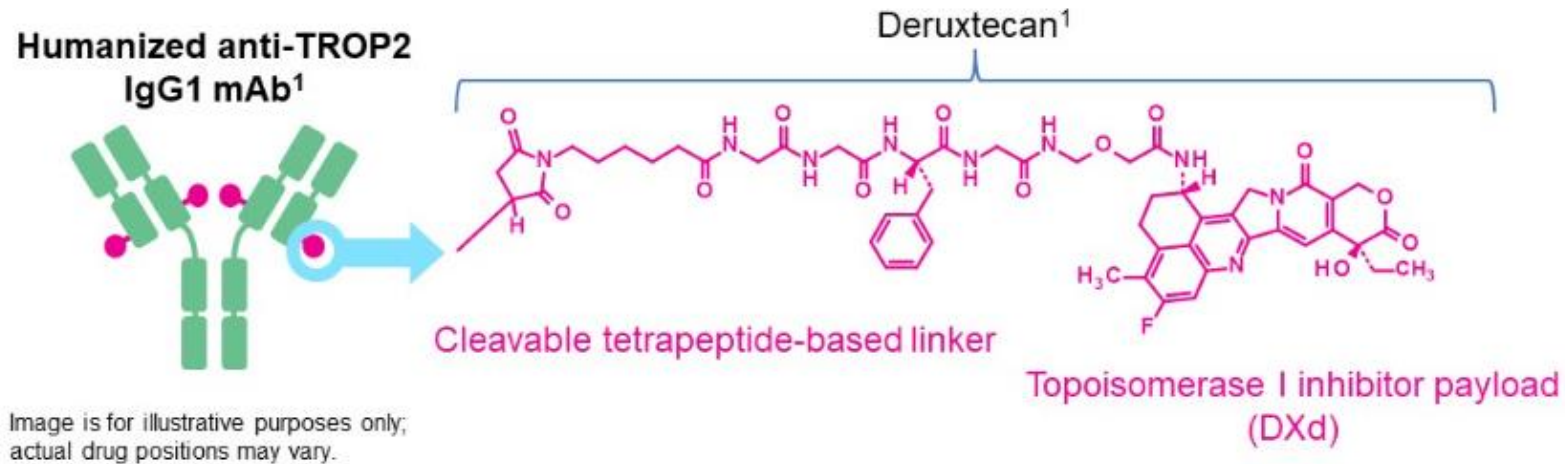
# ADCs may interact with immunotherapy in many ways



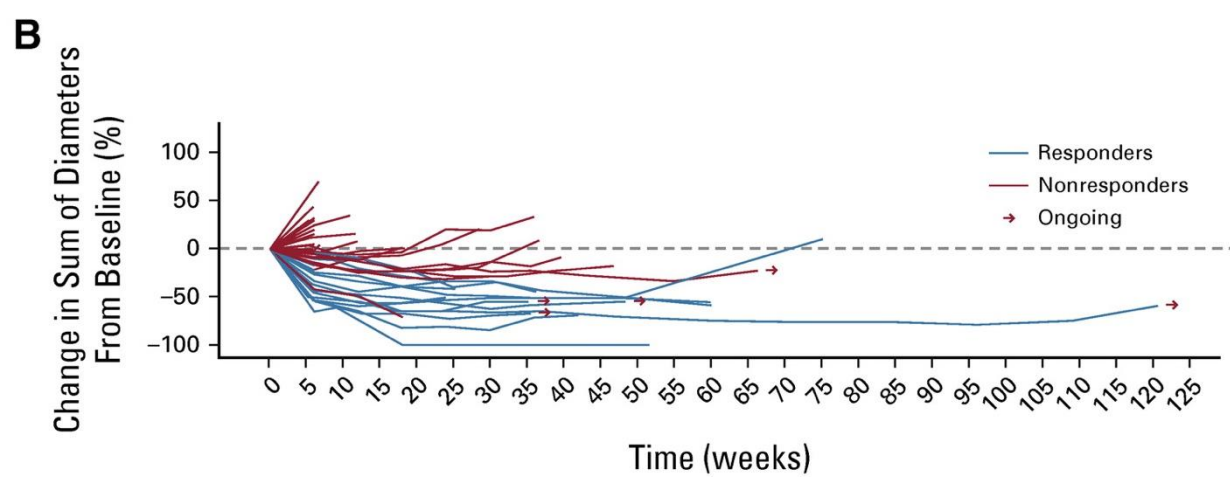
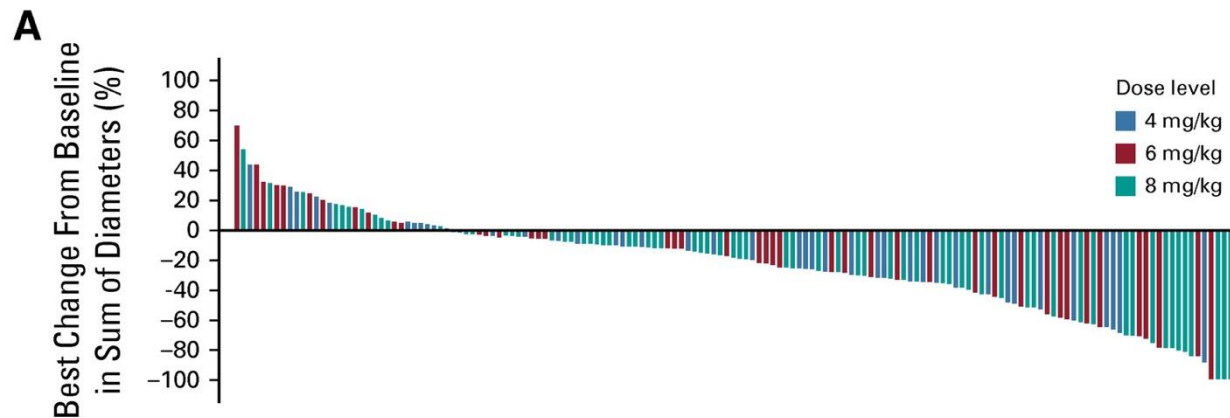
# TROP2: Datopotamab Deruxtecan (Dato-DXd)



- TROP2-directed monoclonal antibody
- Highly potent cytotoxic payload
- Tetrapeptide-based cleavable linker



# TROPION-PanTumor01: Antitumor activity of Dato-DXd in NSCLC & Safety Results

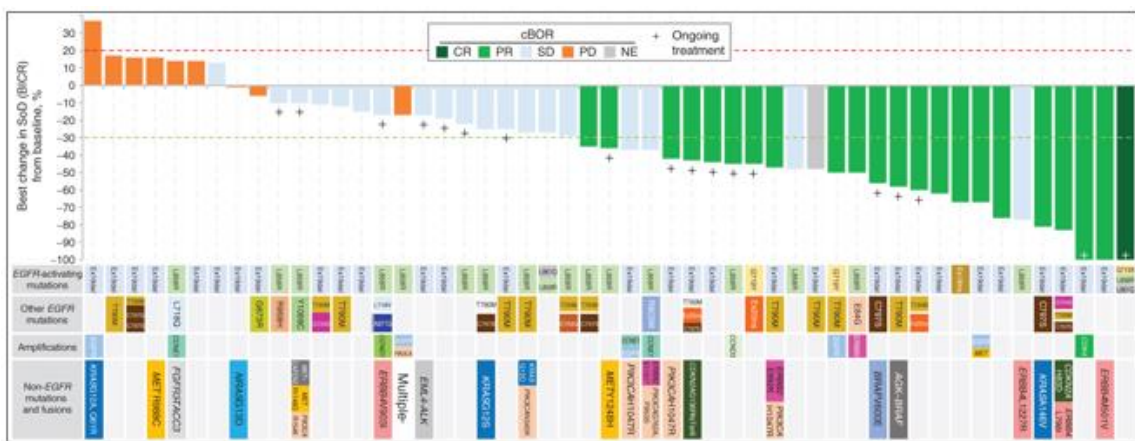


Event	Events, No. (%)					
	Dato-DXd 4 mg/kg (n = 50)		Dato-DXd 6 mg/kg (n = 50)		Dato-DXd 8 mg/kg (n = 80)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
TEAE observed in ≥15% of patients						
Preferred term						
Nausea	24 (48)	0	32 (64)	2 (4)	43 (53.8)	1 (1.3)
Stomatitis	21 (42)	0	30 (60)	1 (2)	44 (55)	4 (5)
Alopecia	13 (26)	0	21 (42)	0	38 (47.5)	0
Fatigue	8 (16)	0	14 (28)	0	38 (47.5)	2 (2.5)
Vomiting	7 (14)	0	9 (18)	1 (2)	29 (36.3)	0
Decreased appetite	10 (20)	0	13 (26)	1 (2)	21 (26.3)	0
Constipation	8 (16)	0	12 (24)	0	23 (28.8)	1 (1.3)
Infusion-related reaction	12 (24)	1 (2)	10 (20)	1 (2)	20 (25)	0
Dry eye	8 (16)	0	8 (16)	0	23 (28.8)	0
Anemia	4 (8)	2 (4)	11 (22)	2 (4)	22 (27.5)	4 (5)
Rash	10 (20)	0	4 (8)	0	21 (26.3)	0
Dyspnea	5 (10)	0	8 (16)	0	16 (20)	5 (6.3)
Diarrhea	5 (10)	0	9 (18)	0	15 (18.8)	0
Cough	6 (12)	0	8 (16)	0	15 (18.8)	1 (1.3)
Mucosal inflammation	6 (12)	1 (2)	6 (12)	1 (2)	16 (20)	4 (5)
ILD observed in any patients						
Potential ILD <sup>a</sup>	7 (14)	3 (6)	7 (14)	4 (8)	14 (17.5)	6 (7.5)
ILD adjudicated as drug-related <sup>b</sup>	5 (10)	1 (2)	3 (6)	1 (2)	11 (13.8)	4 (5)

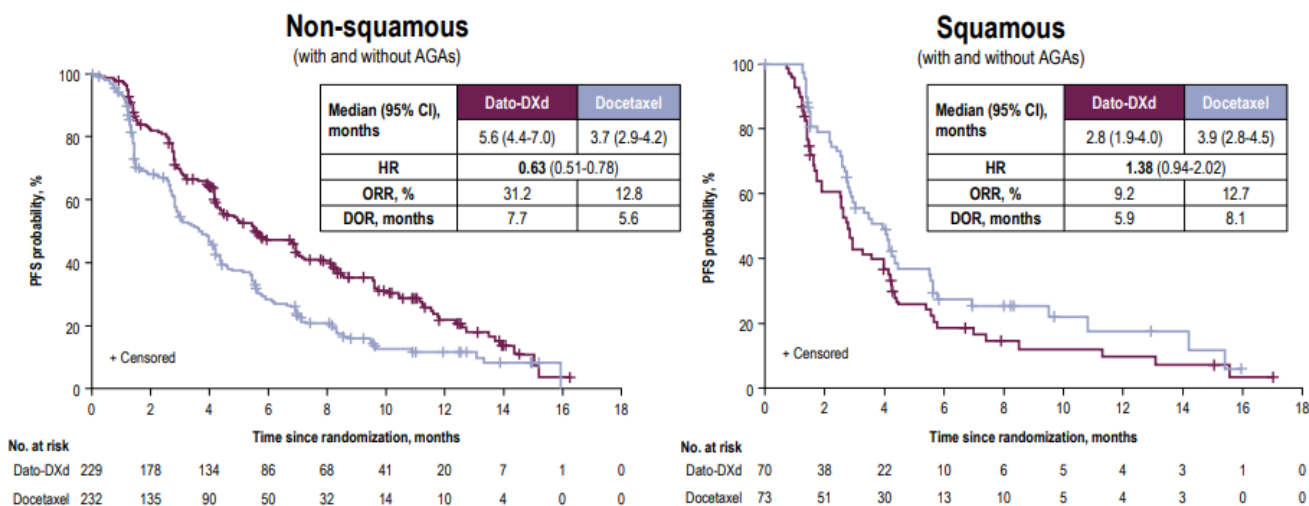
# The importance of Patient Selection



## HER3-DXd in EGFR-mut NSCLC



## TROPION-Lung01: Dato-DXd vs docetaxel PFS by Histology



PFS HR for non-squamous without AGAs: 0.71 (0.56, 0.91)

AGA, actionable genomic alteration; DOR, duration of response; HR, hazard ratio; ORR, objective response rate; PFS, progression-free survival. Squamous subset included 3 patients with AGAs



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# TROPION-Lung02: Dato-DXd + Pembrolizumab with or without Platinum Chemotherapy in NSCLC



- Key eligibility criteria**
- **Advanced/metastatic NSCLC**
  - **Dose escalation<sup>c</sup>:** ≤2 lines of prior therapy<sup>d</sup>
  - **Dose expansion**
    - ≤1 line of platinum-based CT (cohorts 1 and 2)<sup>d</sup>
    - Treatment naive (cohort 2; enrollment after Jun 30, 2022)<sup>d</sup>
    - Treatment naive (cohorts 3-6)<sup>d</sup>

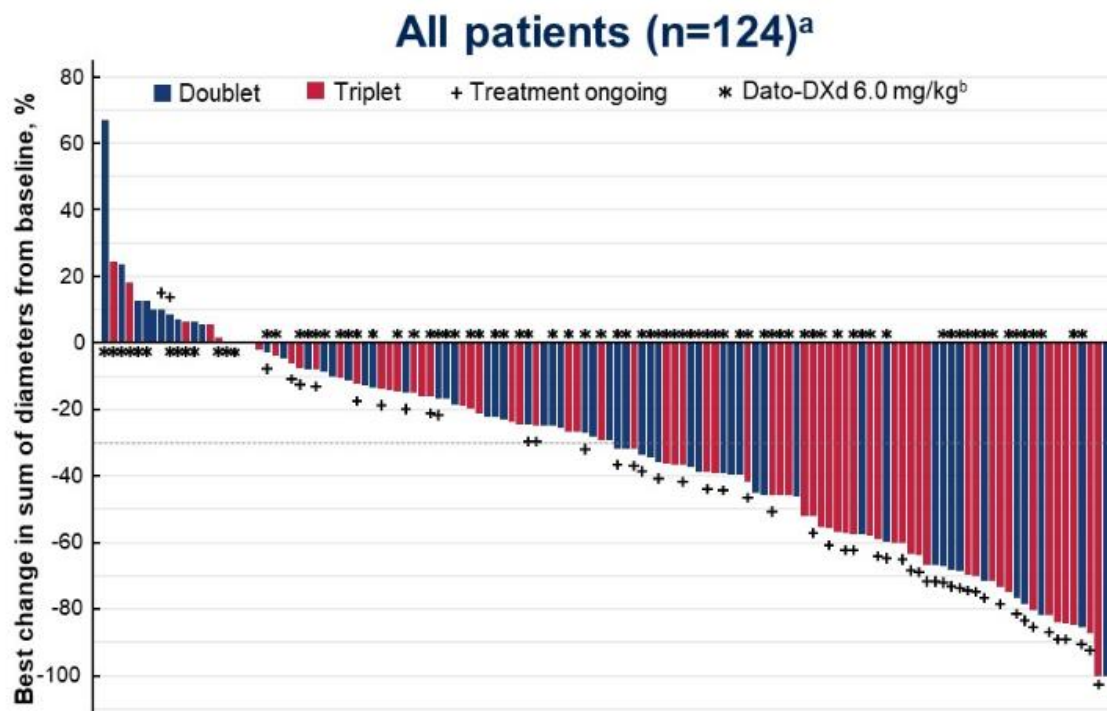
	Dato-DXd IV Q3W	+	pembro IV Q3W	+	platinum CT IV Q3W
Cohort 1 (n=20):	4 mg/kg	+	200 mg	+	
Cohort 2 (n=44):	6 mg/kg	+	200 mg	+	
Cohort 3 (n=20):	4 mg/kg	+	200 mg	+	carboplatin AUC 5
Cohort 4 (n=30):	6 mg/kg	+	200 mg	+	carboplatin AUC 5
Cohort 5 (n=12):	4 mg/kg	+	200 mg	+	cisplatin 75 mg/m <sup>2</sup>
Cohort 6 (n=10):	6 mg/kg	+	200 mg	+	cisplatin 75 mg/m <sup>2</sup>

**Doublet** (Cohorts 1-2)

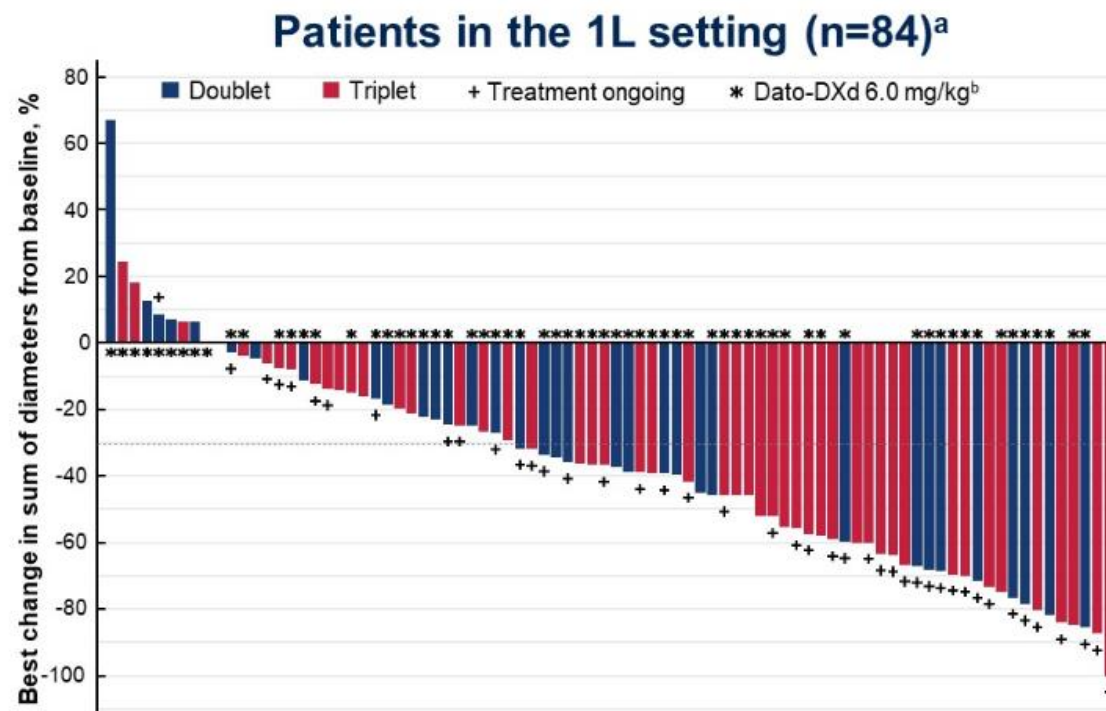
**Triplet** (Cohorts 3-6)

- **Primary objectives:** safety and tolerability
- **Secondary objectives:** efficacy, pharmacokinetics, and antidrug antibodies

# TROPION-Lung02: Best Overall Tumor Change from Baseline

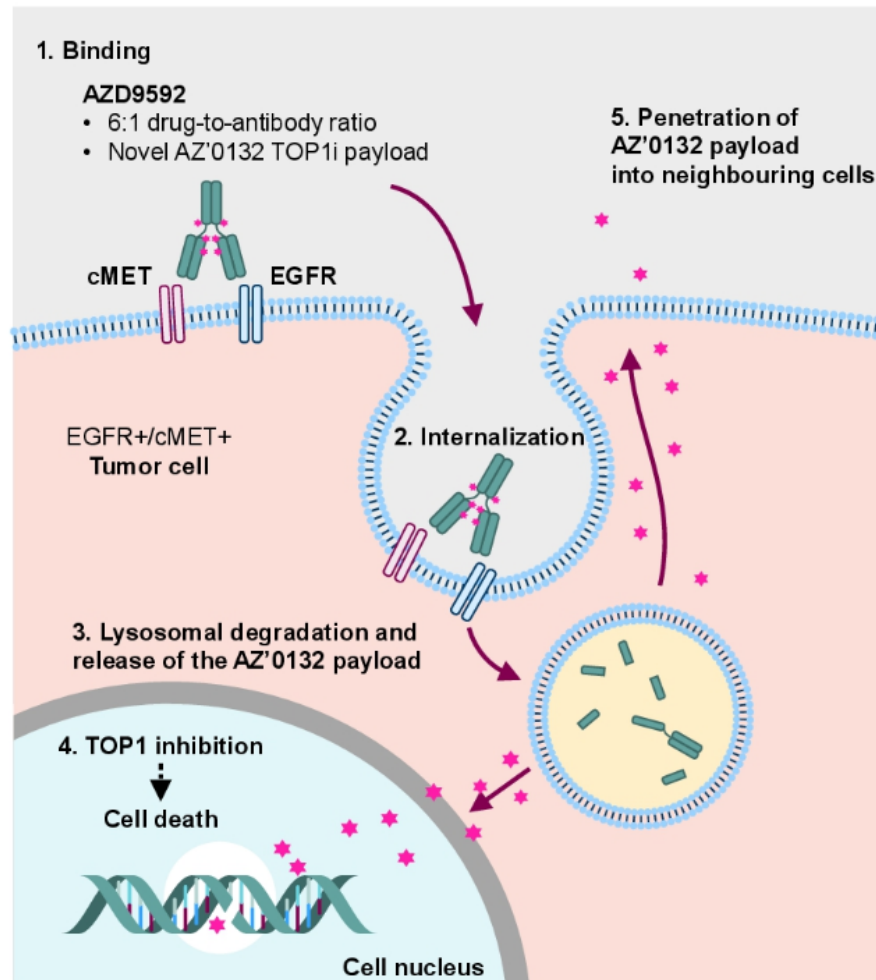


ORR for any line of therapy 38%



ORR 1L doublet 60%  
ORR 1L triplet 55%

# AZD9592: Mechanism of Action

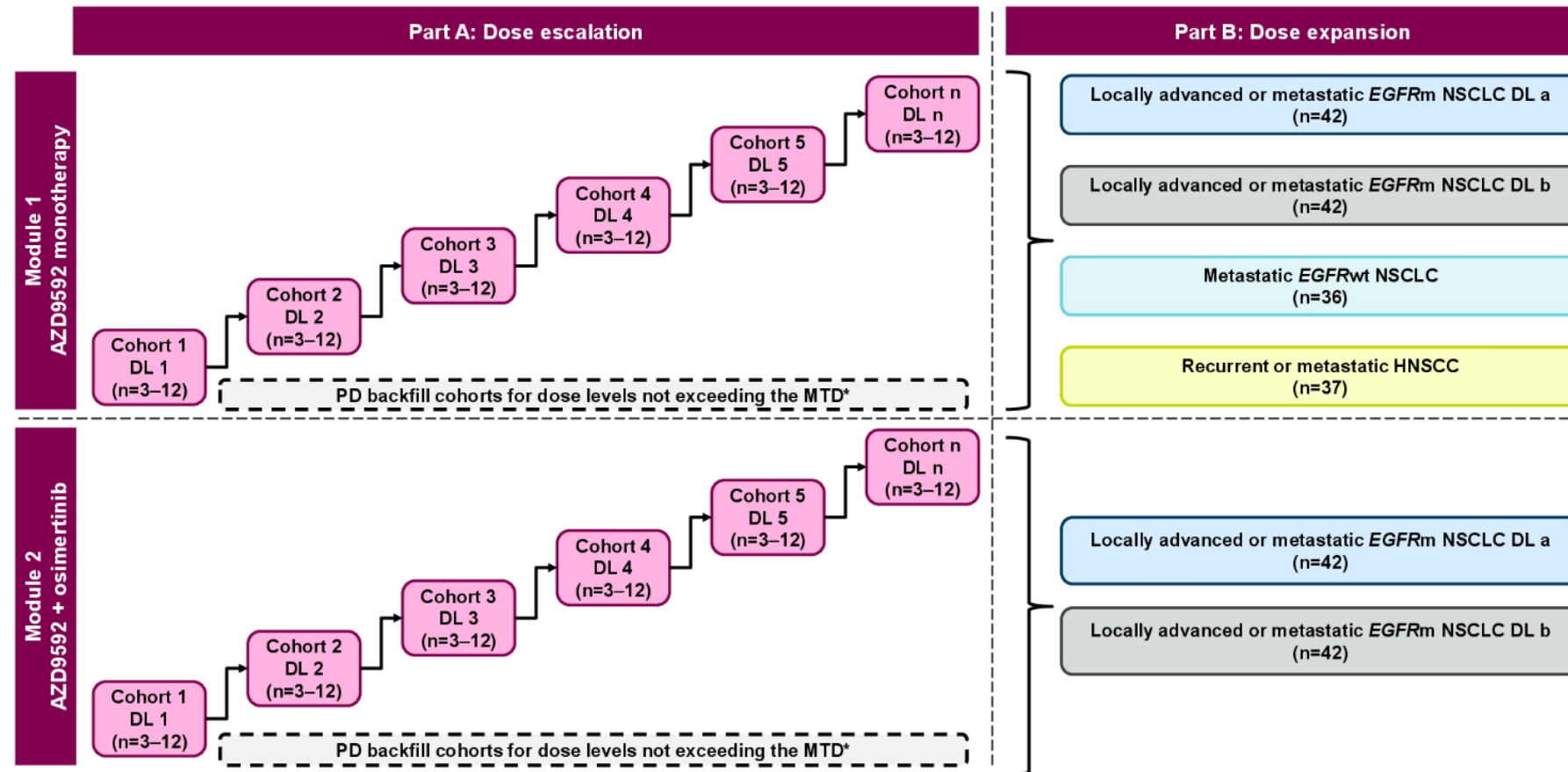


1. AZD9592 binds to EGFR and cMET on the tumor cell surface.
2. The ADC complex is internalized and trafficked to the lysosome.
3. The linker is cleaved and cytotoxic TOP1i is released into the cell.
4. The TOP1i prevents topoisomerases from relieving stress at the replication fork, causing DNA double-strand breaks that, when unrepaired, can result in apoptosis and cell death.
5. The TOP1i may also penetrate into neighboring cells (i.e., potentially show a bystander effect).

ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; cMET, mesenchymal-epithelial transition tyrosine kinase receptor; EGFR, epidermal growth factor receptor; TOP1i, topoisomerase 1 inhibitor.



# EGRET - AZD9592 as Monotherapy or with Other Anticancer Agents in Patients with Advanced Solid Tumors: Study Design



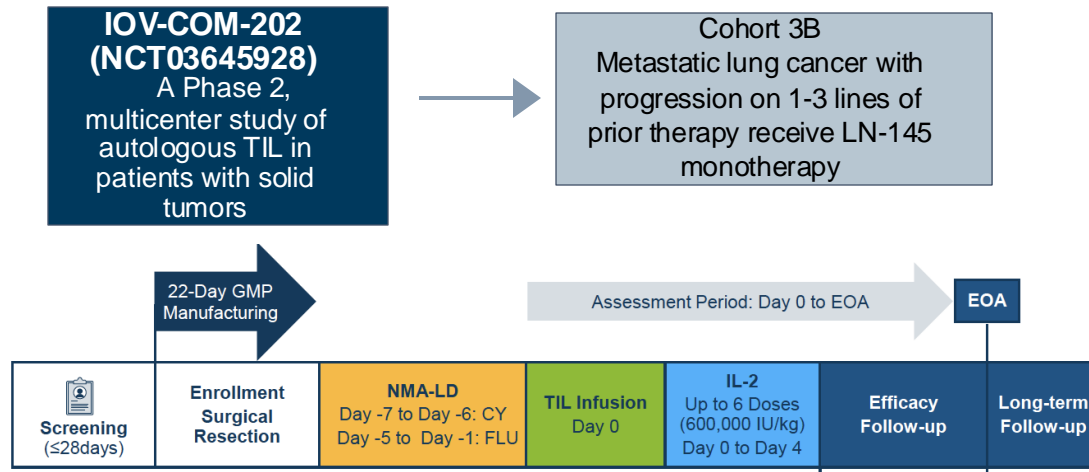
In Part A, dose escalation will utilize the modified toxicity probability interval-2 algorithm. \*In Part A, any dose level not exceeding the MTD may be expanded by an additional number of patients as part of the PD backfill cohorts. Module 1 PD backfill cohorts: locally advanced or metastatic *EGFR*m NSCLC (n=~6), metastatic *EGFR*wt NSCLC (n=~6) and recurrent or metastatic HNSCC (n=~6). Module 2 PD backfill cohorts: locally advanced or metastatic *EGFR*m NSCLC (n=~10).  
 DL, dose level; *EGFR*, epidermal growth factor receptor; HNSCC, head and neck squamous cell carcinoma; m, mutation; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; NSCLC, non-small-cell lung cancer; PD, pharmacodynamic; wt, wild-type



# CELL THERAPY

# Preliminary experience with TIL in PD-(L)1 therapy resistant lung cancer

## Phase 2 multicenter study of TIL monotherapy (LN-145)

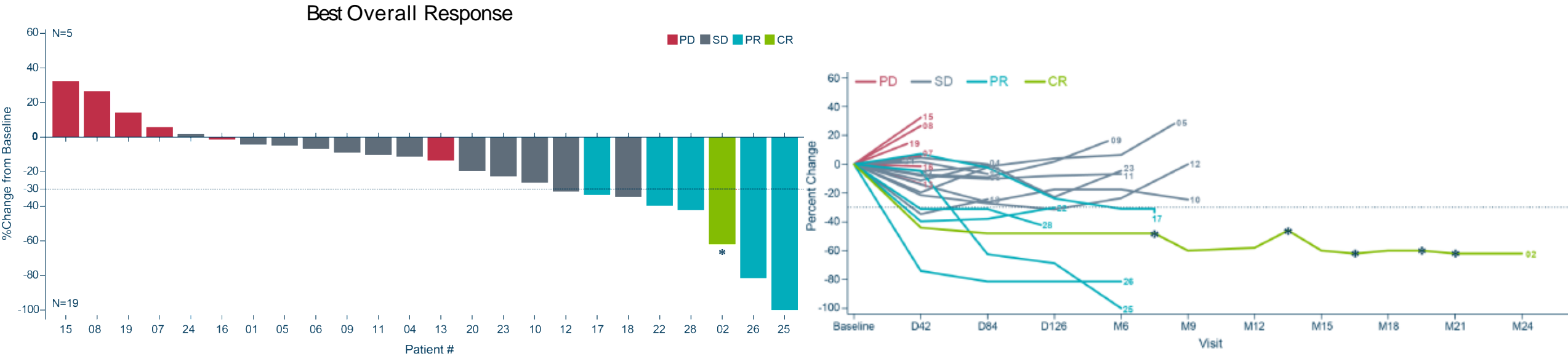


- Resection after resistance to last line of therapy
- TIL monotherapy
- Up to 6 doses of high dose IL2

Endpoints	IOV-COM-202
Primary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ORR</li> <li>• Incidence of Grade ≥3 TEAEs</li> </ul>
Secondary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CR rate, DOR, DCR, PFS, OS</li> </ul>

- **Key eligibility criteria**
  - ≥1 resectable lesion for TIL manufacturing (diameter ≥1.5 cm post-resection)
  - ≥1 measurable lesion for response assessment (by investigator per RECIST v1.1)
  - ECOG performance status 0–1
- **Methods**
  - Patients were enrolled from March 2019 to August 2021 at sites across North America and the EU
  - Concomitant anticancer therapy was not permitted
  - Responses were evaluated per RECIST v1.1
- **Data cutoff:** 24 August 2021

# Preliminary experience with TIL in PD-(L)1 therapy lung cancer



For patient 2, the overall response of CR was based on investigator assessment of a complete metabolic response via negative FDG-PET scan.

# Preliminary Clinical Results for IOV-LUN-202 Cohorts 1 and 2

All Patients Progressed On or After Anti-PD-1 Therapy and Chemotherapy

	Cohort 1 + 2 (n=23) <sup>2</sup>
Objective Response Rate, n (%) <sup>1</sup>	6 (26.1)
(95% CI)	(10.2, 48.4)
Best overall response, n (%)	
CR	1 (4.3)
PR	5 (21.7)
SD	13 (56.5)
PD	2 (8.7)
NE	2 (8.7)

ORR= 26.1% by RECIST 1.1

DCR= 82.6%

Regardless of PD-L1 Status

**All Responses remain ongoing at time of data cut**

TEAEs were consistent with the underlying disease and known AE profiles of NMA-LD and IL-2

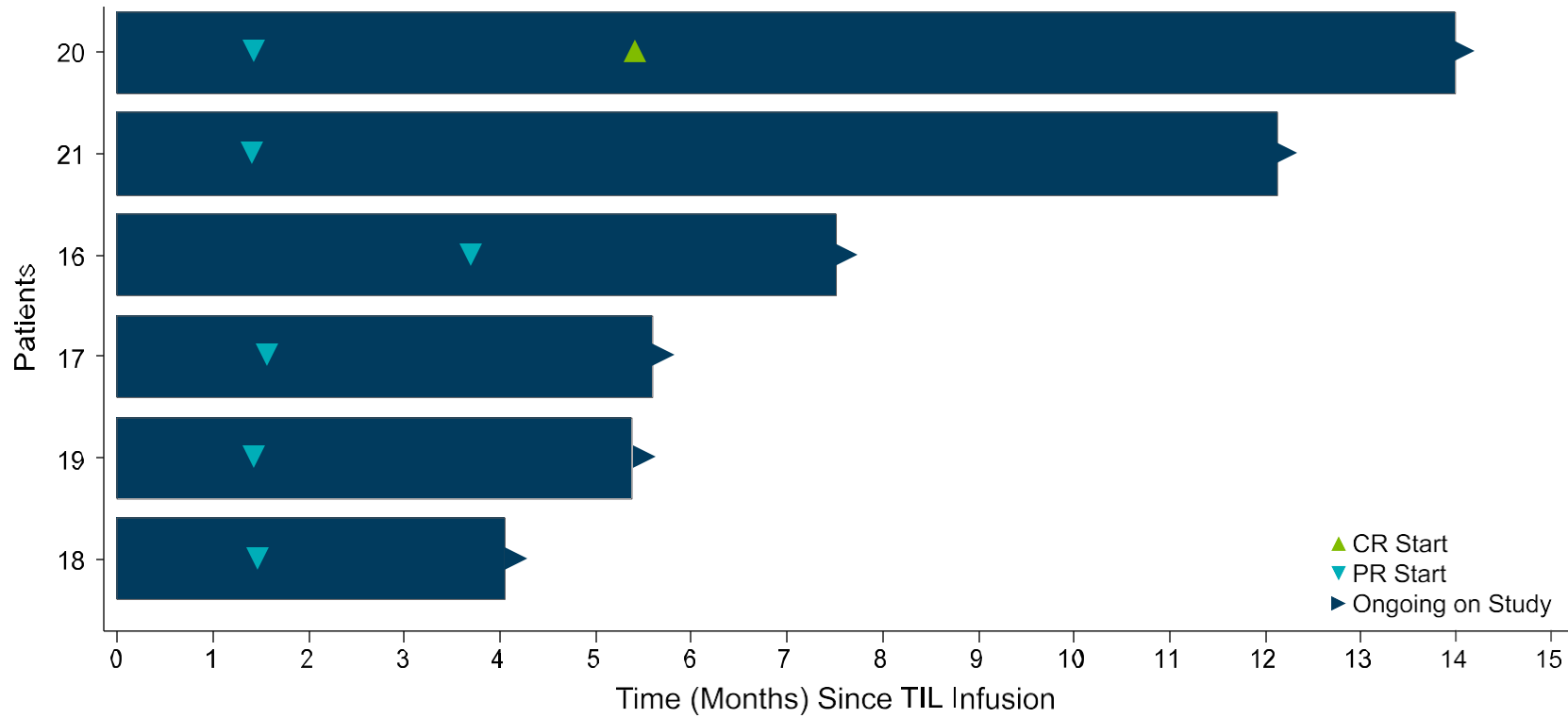
1. Data cut: July 6, 2023. Responses were assessed by investigator.

2. Patients who have progressed on or after chemotherapy and anti-PD-1 therapy for advanced (unresectable or metastatic) NSCLC without EGFR, ROS or ALK genomic mutations and had received at least one line of an FDA-approved targeted therapy if indicated by other actionable tumor mutations.

Abbreviations: AE, adverse event; CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; ICI, immune checkpoint inhibitor; NE, not evaluable; NMA-LD, non-myeloablative lymphodepletion; NSCLC, non-small-cell lung cancer; ORR, objective response rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease; TEAE, treatment-emergent AE.

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Data cut: July 6, 2023.

A bar is presented for each patient starting from date of LN-145 infusion up to date of new anti-cancer therapy, end of assessment, death, or data cutoff date, whichever occurs earlier.

Abbreviations: CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; NSCLC, non-small-cell lung cancer; PR, partial response.

# CONCLUSIONS

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- Novel bispecific antibodies poised for changing practice in lung cancer.
- Cooperative binding properties of bispecifics may provide advantages enhancing the therapeutic index.
- Next generation ICI agents have the potential to increase activity and reduce toxicity.
- Patient selection is needed to improve efficacy of ADCs.
- Cell therapy is a good option for patients who are fit as early as first line therapy for NSCLC



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