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## Mesothelioma and Thymoma – Limited and Advanced Stage

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# Mesothelioma

- Rare cancer affecting approximately 40,000 people worldwide
- Most commonly linked to asbestos exposure, but over 10% have an inherited predisposition, including *BAP1* loss
- Role of surgery is controversial and immunotherapy has revolutionized management based on CheckMate 743



Nowak et al. *JCO Onc. Prac.* 2021





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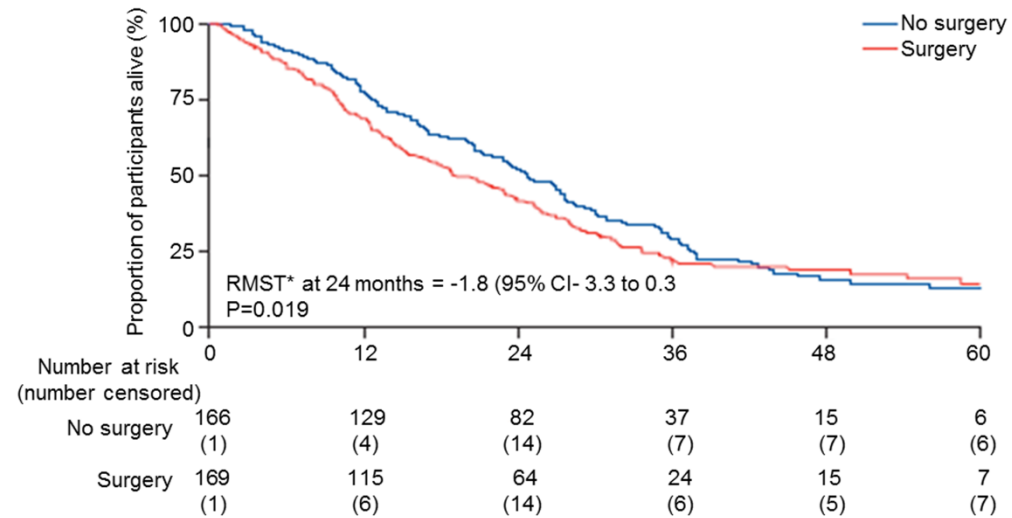
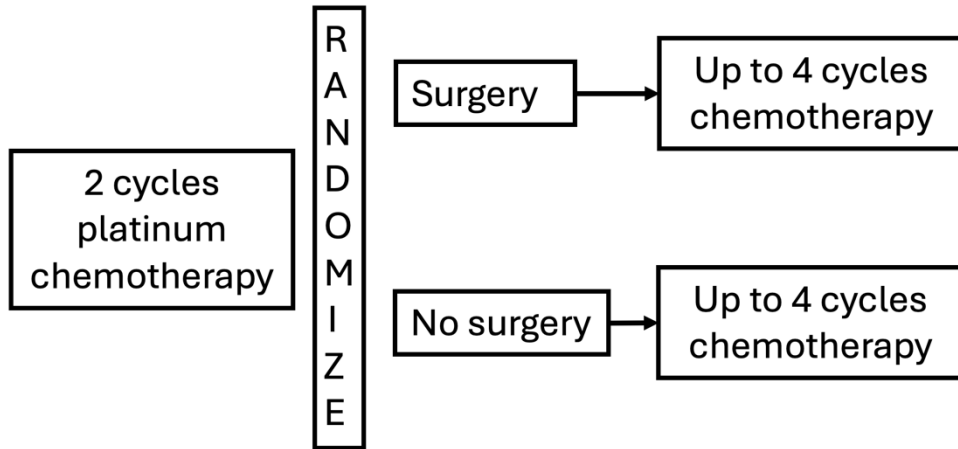
# Perioperative Chemoimmunotherapy for Mesothelioma

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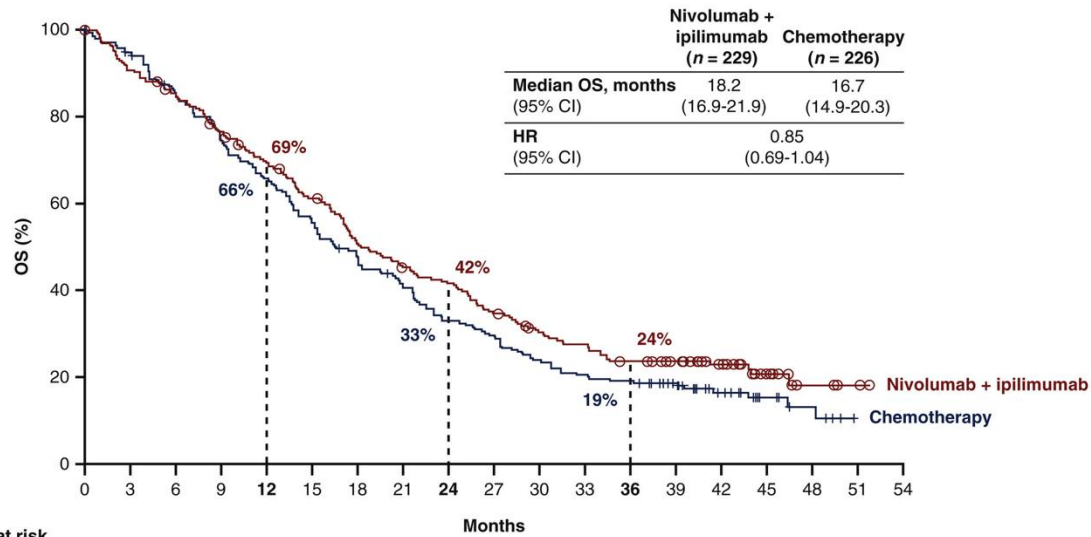
# MARS2 randomized patients to pleurectomy decortication and noted inferior OS with surgery



Lim E, *et al*, Lancet Resp 2024.

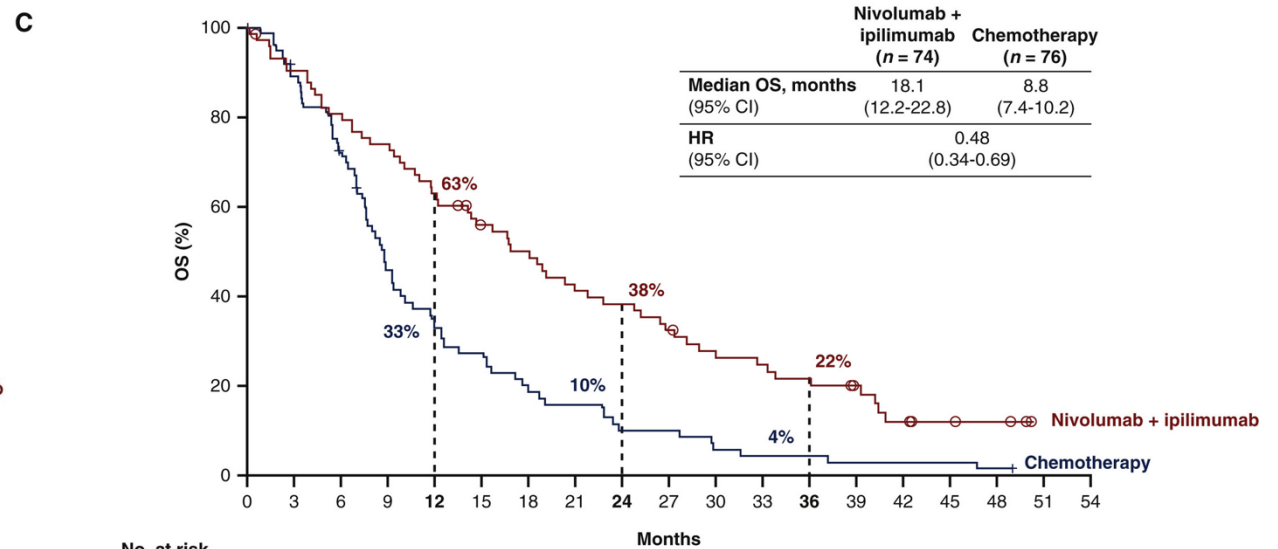


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Epithelioid

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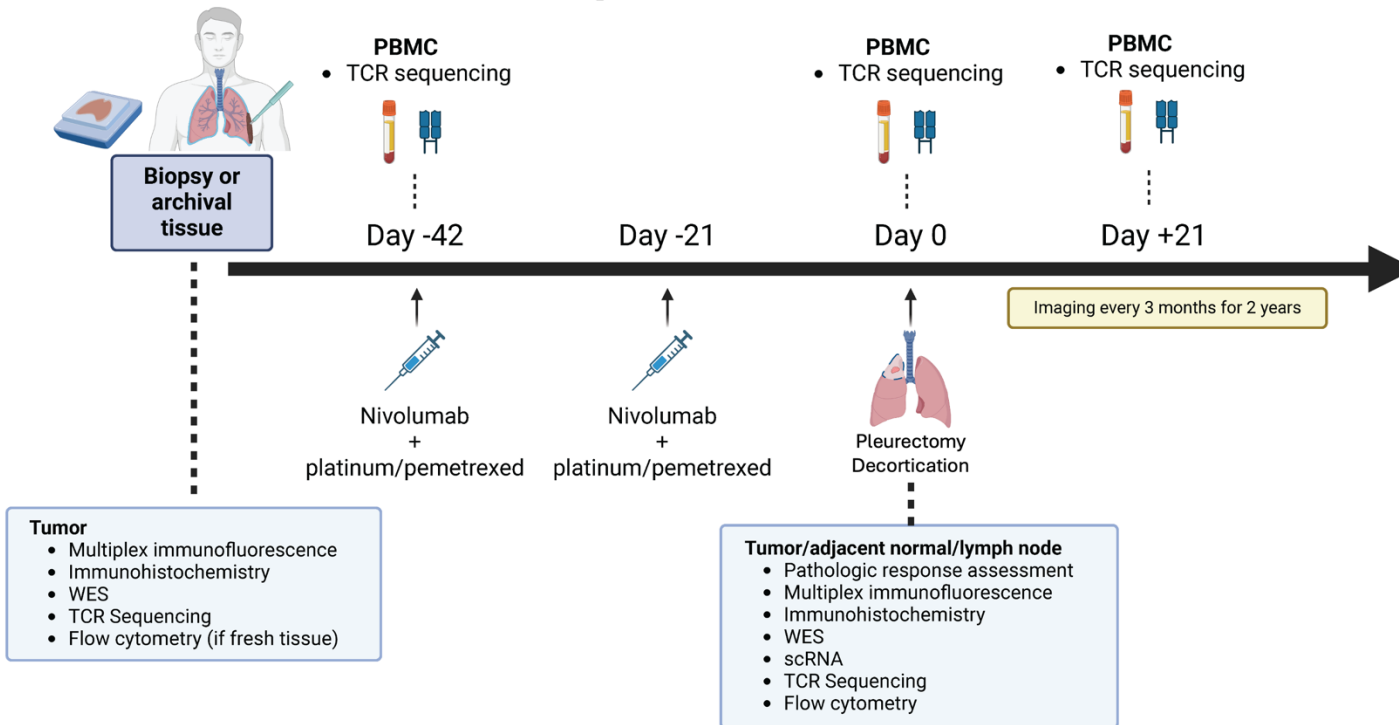


Non-epithelioid

Peters et al. *Annals of Onc.* 2022



# Prospective trial of neoadjuvant platinum/pemetrexed + nivolumab (NCT04162015)



### Key Inclusion Criteria:

- Operable/Resectable
- KPS  $\geq$  70%
- Platinum/pemetrexed/ ICI naïve

### Primary Objective:

- Attempted P/D within 30 days of the planned surgery date

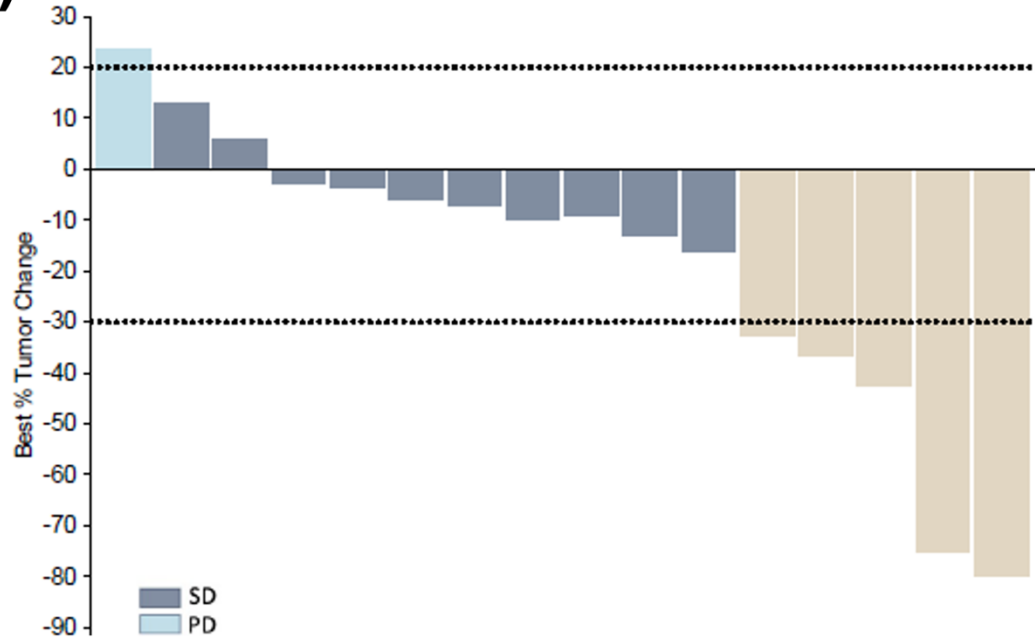
### Secondary Objective:

- Safety
- Overall survival (OS) from treatment start
- Progression free survival (PFS)

Offin M., et al. ASCO, 2024



# Best overall response to neoadjuvant chemo/nivolumab by modified (m)RECIST (NCT04162015)



\*3 patients were not evaluable

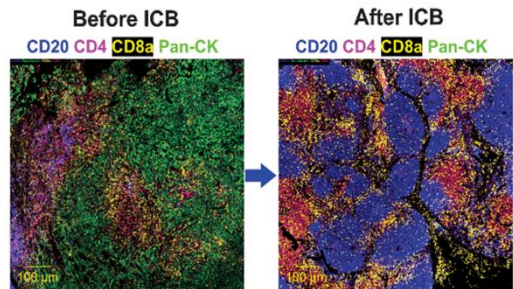
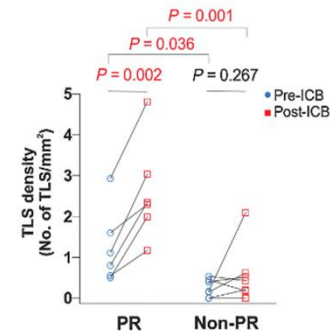
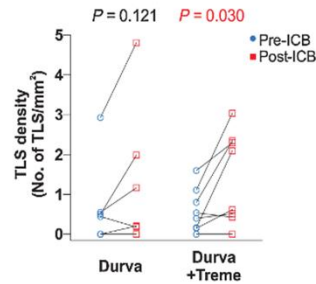
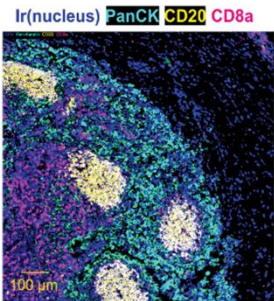
**Unconfirmed PR: (31%) 5/16**

Offin M., et al, ASCO, 2024

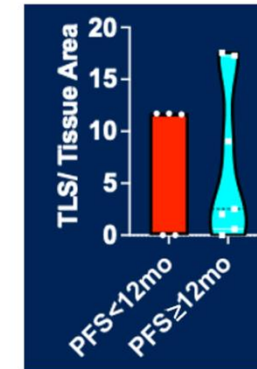
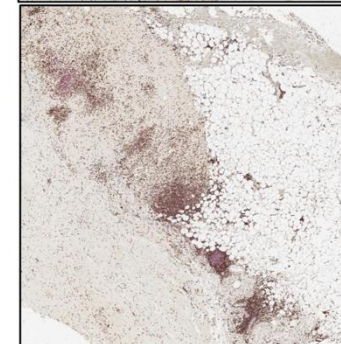
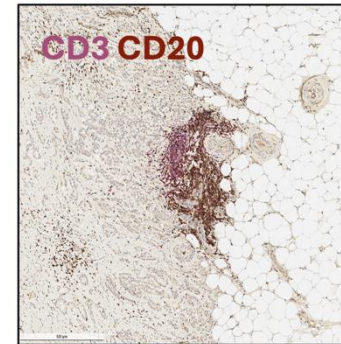


# Tertiary Lymphoid Structures (TLS) potentially correlate with clinical outcomes

## NCT02592551



## NCT04162015



Lee HS., et al, Clin Cancer Res, 2023; Offin M., et al, ASCO, 2024





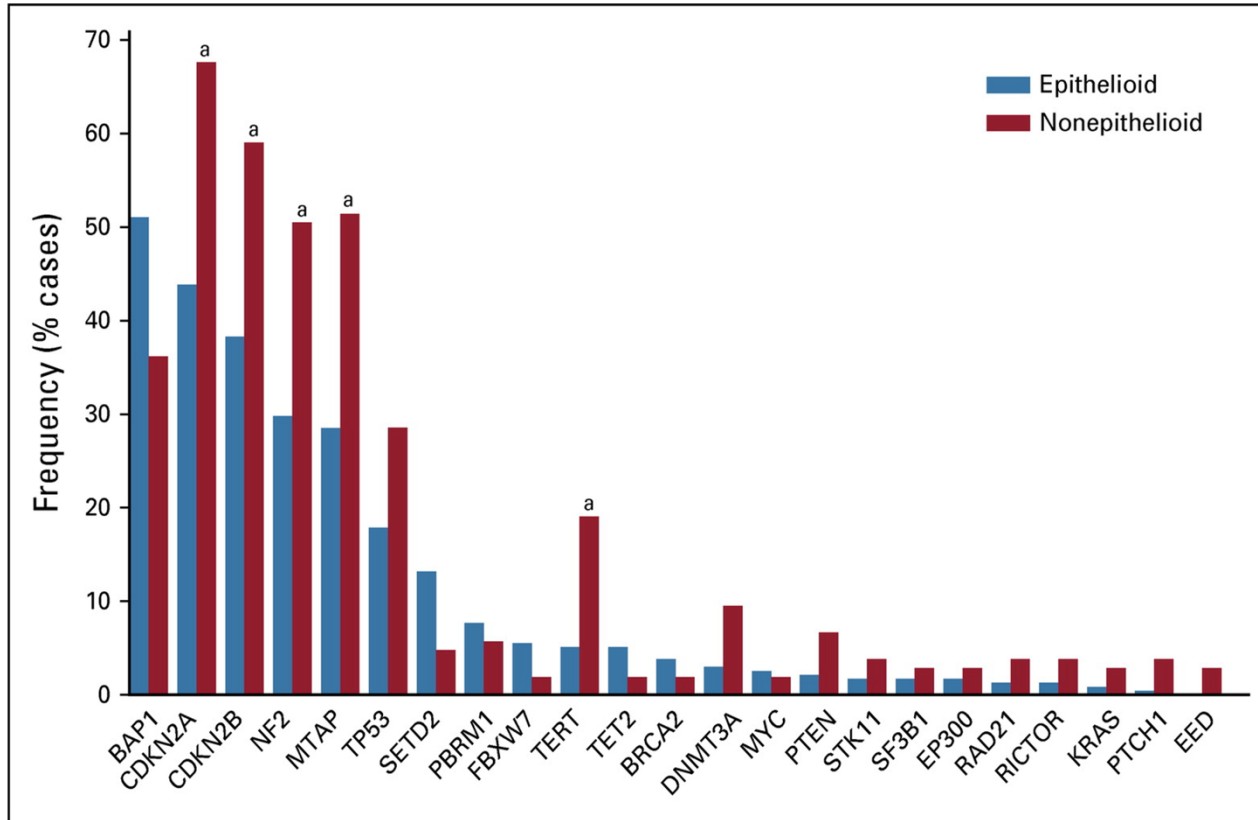


# Mesothelioma: Molecular Landscape and Histological Terrain

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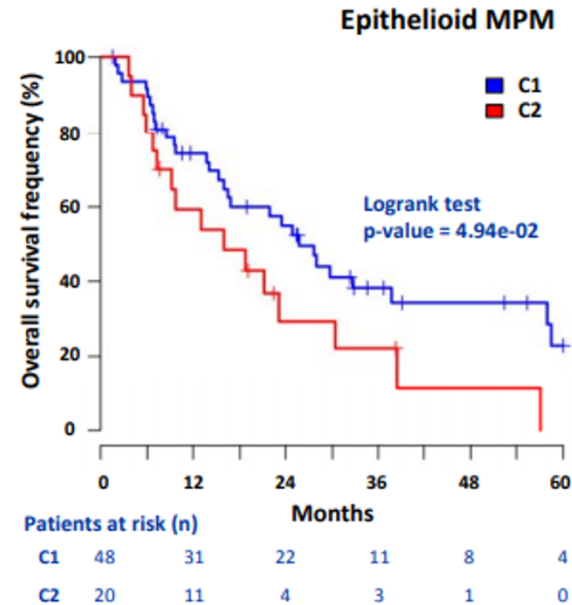


# Alterations in Epithelioid vs Non-Epithelioid

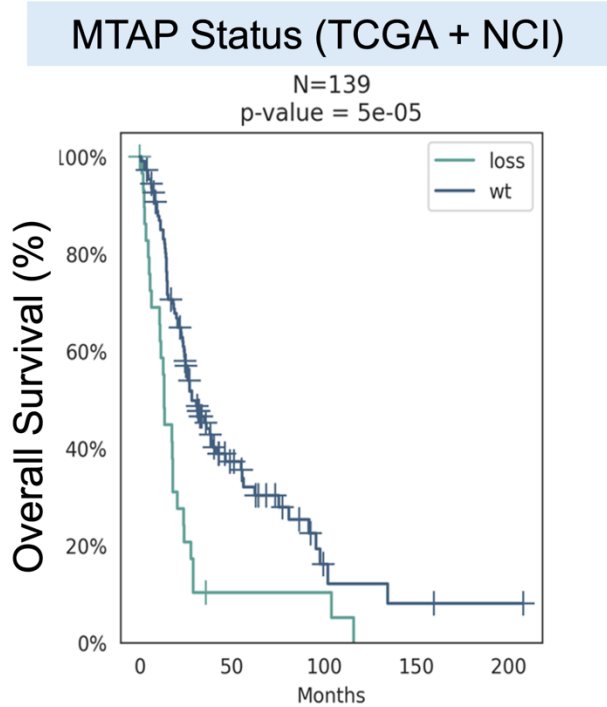
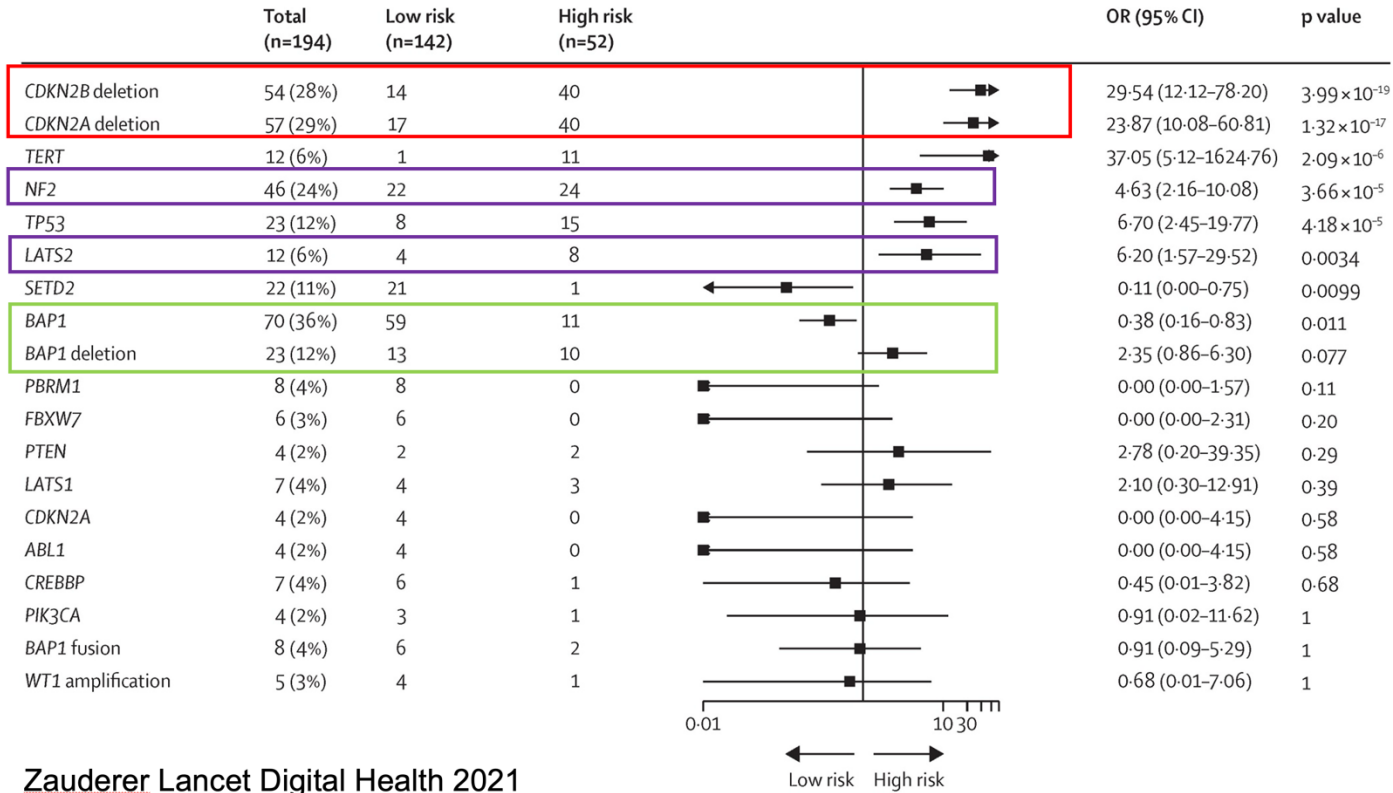


Dagogo-Jack JCO Precision Oncology 2022, de Reynies Clinical Cancer Research 2014

## C2= EMT Gene Expression



## Impact of Molecular Alterations on Prognosis

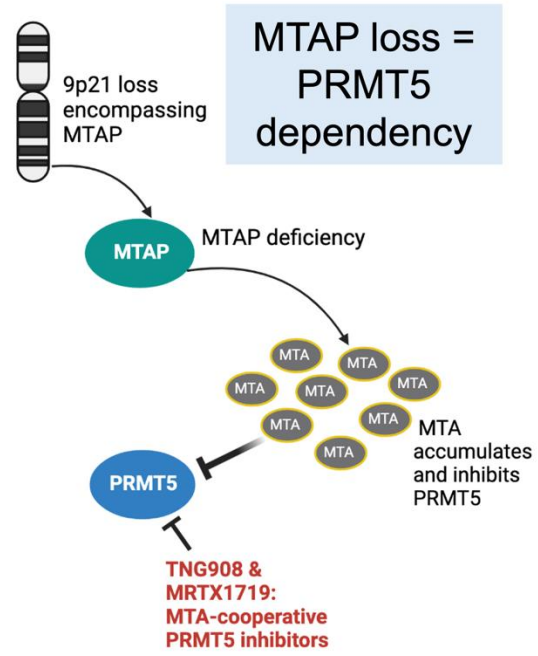
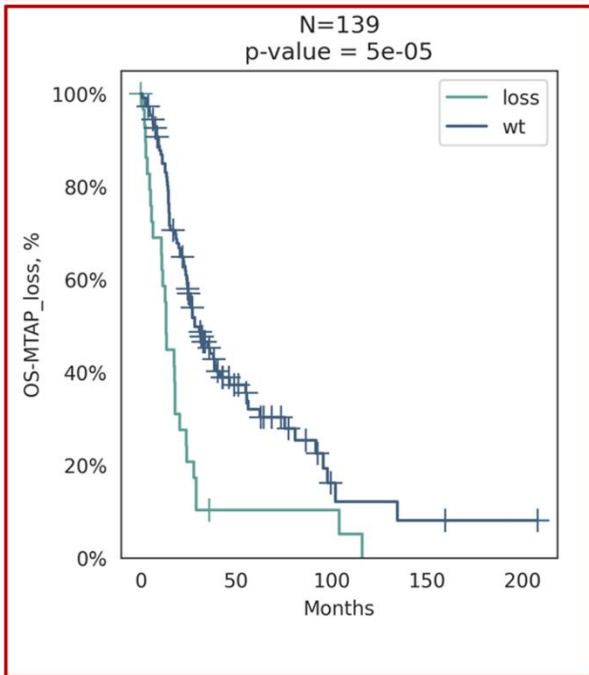


Zauderer Lancet Digital Health 2021

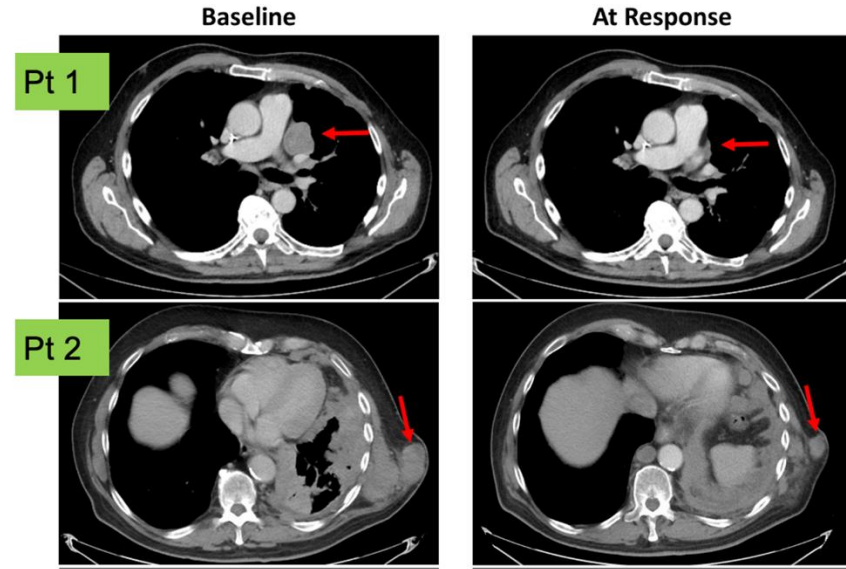


# Exploiting Meso Therapeutic Vulnerabilities

## Impact of MTAP loss on Survival



## Clinical responses to MRTX1719



Engstrom Cancer Discovery 2023





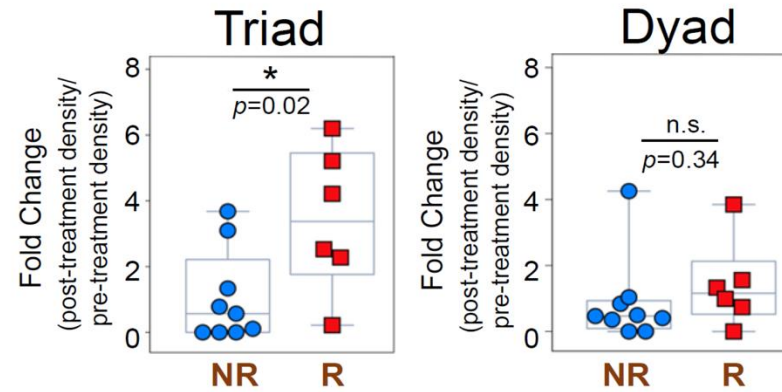
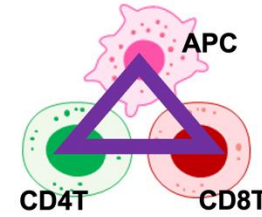
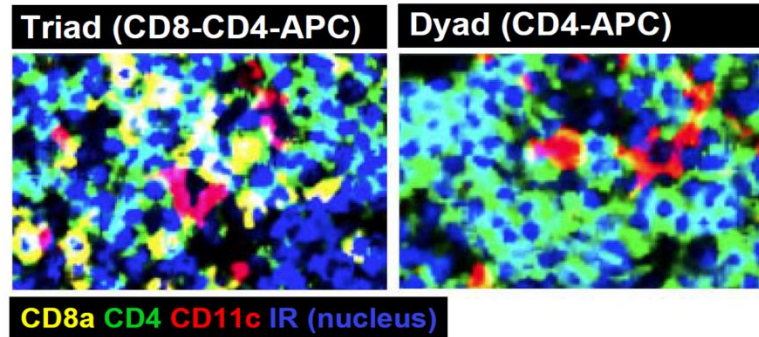
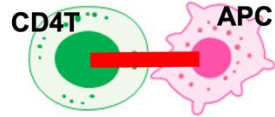
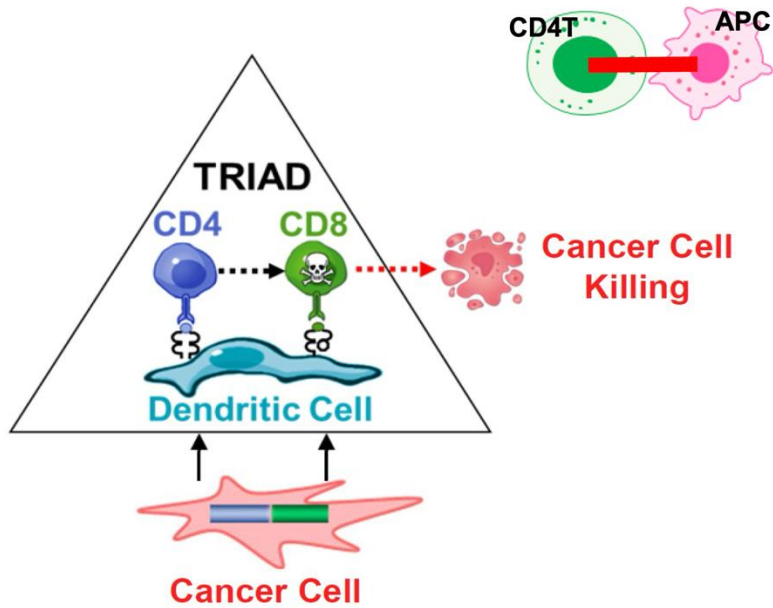
# Advances in Mesothelioma Immunology

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# Triad (CD4+CD8+DC): Co-localization of immune cells

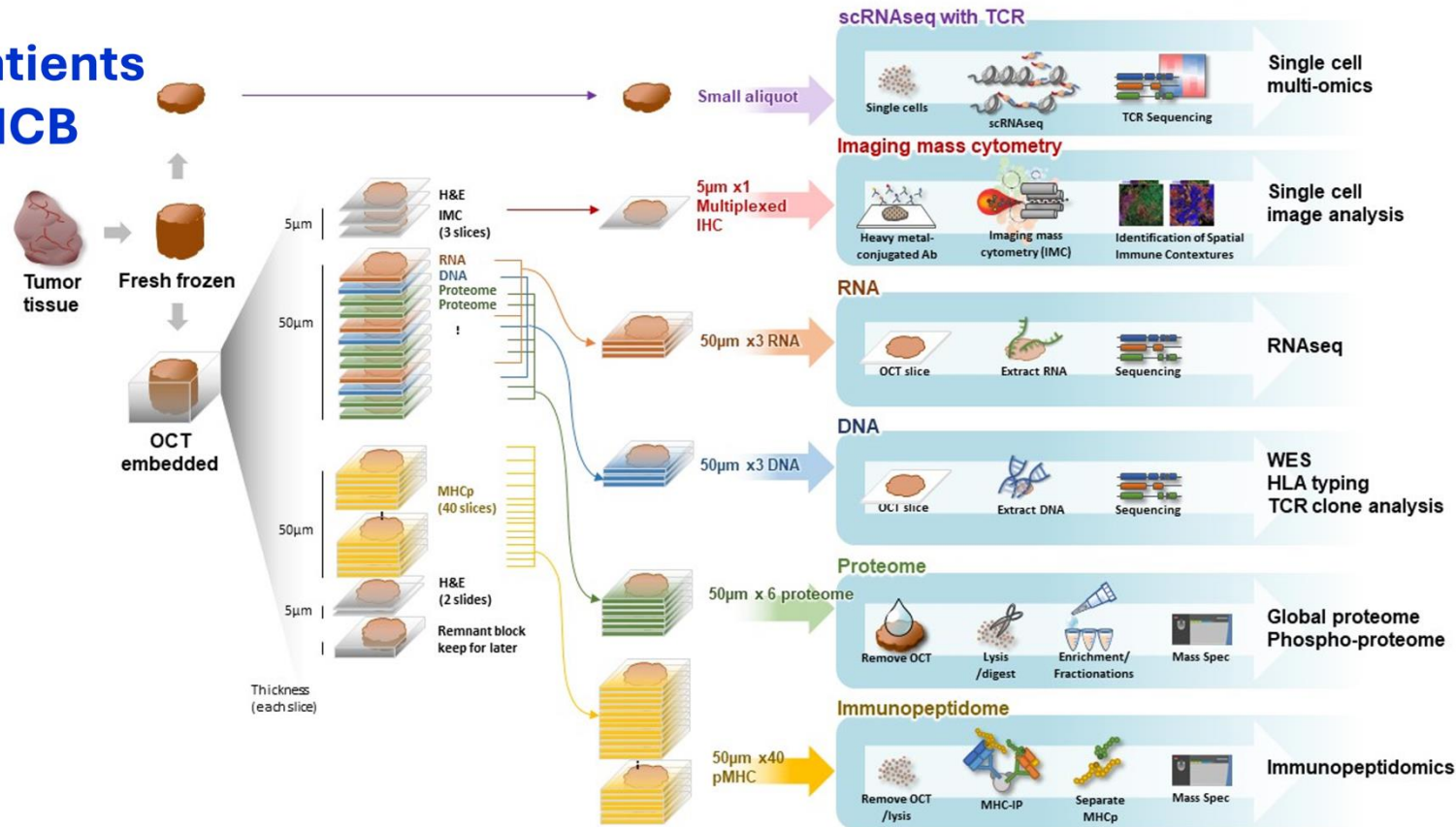


*Intratumoral immune triads are required for immunotherapy-mediated elimination of solid tumors: Espinosa-Carrasco, ..., Burt, Lee, Schietinger. Cancer Cell 2024*



# MPM Immunoproteogenomics

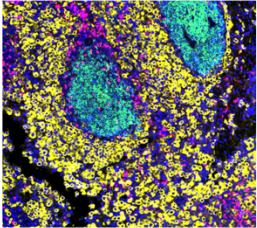
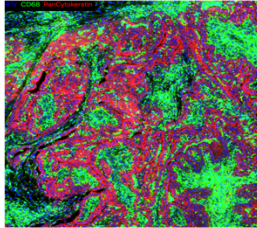
54 MPM patients  
Receiving ICB



Unpublished



# Determinants of response/resistance to ICB for MPM

Immune Checkpoint Treatment	Favorable	Unfavorable
<b>Intrinsic</b>	BAP1 mutation Tumor PD-L1 (+) Non-epithelioid TLS, Triads, NK-like T	9p21.3 loss Tumor PD-L1(-) Epithelioid CAF, TAMs
<b>Extrinsic</b>		
<b>Immunogenetics</b>	HLA-A*02:01	HLA-A*03:01/24:02
<b>pMHC-I Cluster</b>	1	2 or 3
<b>Liquid biomarker</b>	Low SMRP	High SMRP







# Targeting TROP-2 in Diffuse Pleural Mesotheliomas

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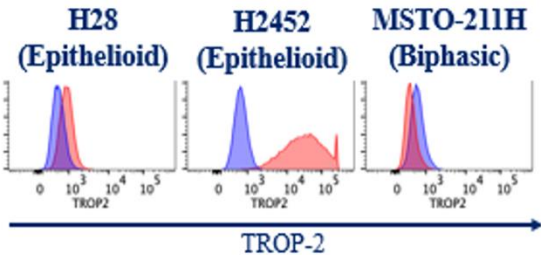
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# TROP-2 expressing cell lines lead to increased in vivo metastatic potential

Intracardiac injection:

- TROP-2 expressing and induced cell lines lead to increased metastasis
- TROP-2 low and knockout cell lines lead to decreased metastatic potential

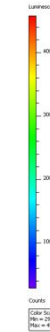
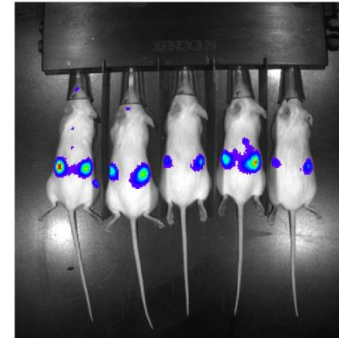
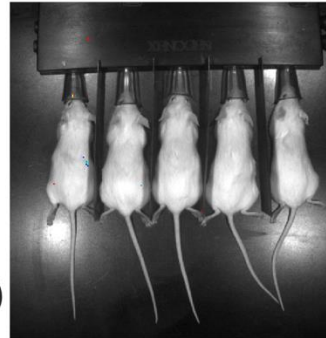


Day 15

Control

Trop-2 OE

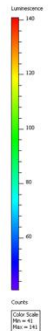
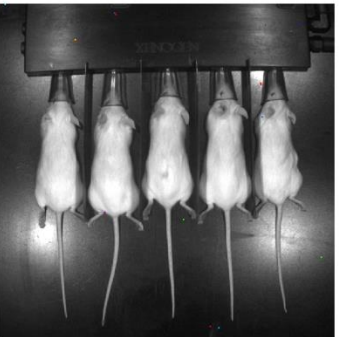
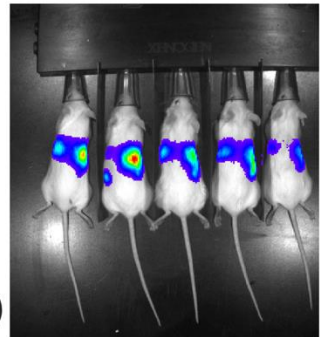
H28  
(epithelioid)



Control

Trop-2 KO

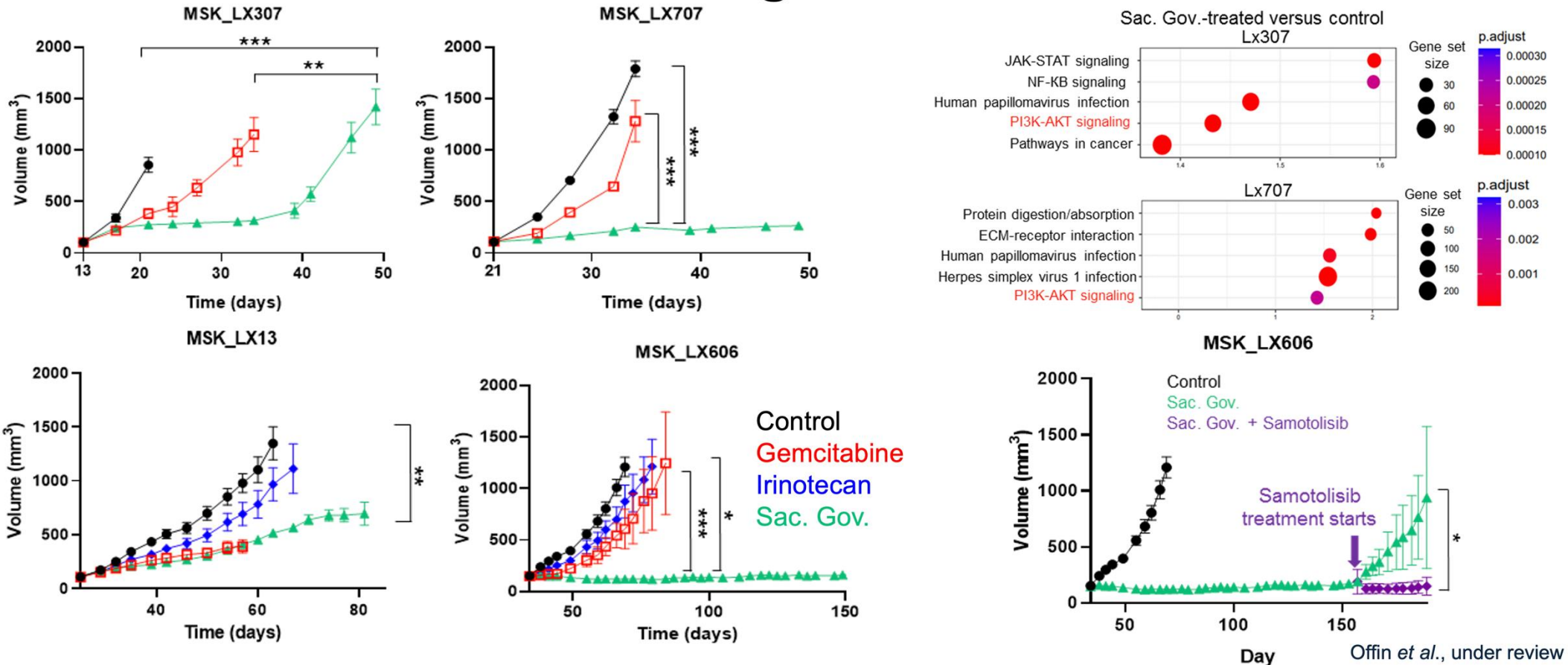
H2452  
(epithelioid)

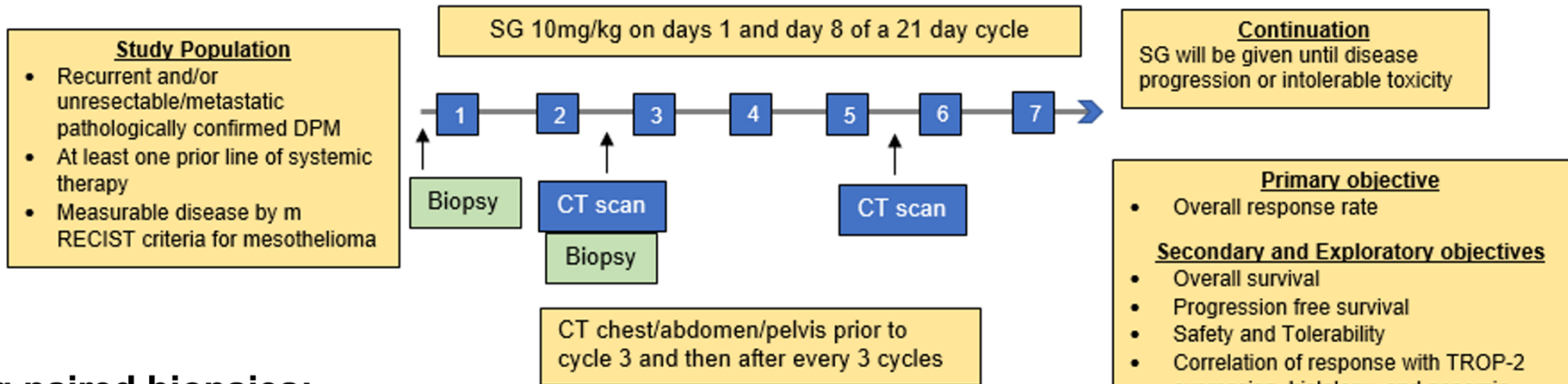


Offin *et al.*, under review



# We demonstrated *in vivo* activity and a potential pathway of resistance with Sacituzumab govitecan in our PDX models





## Leveraging paired biopsies:

### A. Determine TROP-2 expression in biopsy samples

- identify a critical minimum threshold (if any) of expression for SG activity
- correlate expression with clinicopathologic features and pathway changes

### B. Define the role of PI3K-AKT activation and mechanistic changes in DPM tumor samples treated with SG





# PEMbrolizumab Plus Lenvatinib In Second-Line

## Pleural MEsotheLioma Patients: A Single Arm Phase II Study - PEMMELA (second cohort)

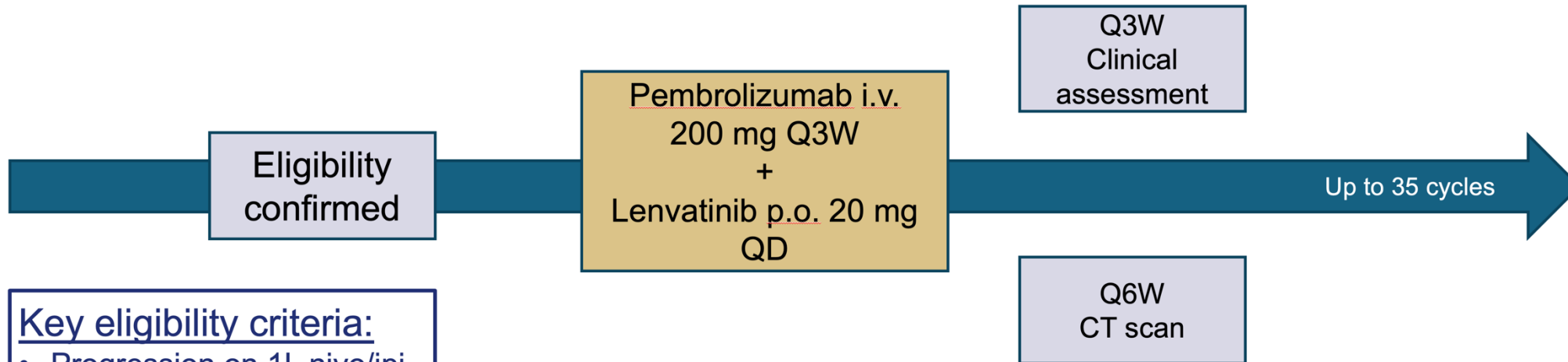
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# Trial Design

Single-arm, single-center, phase II study



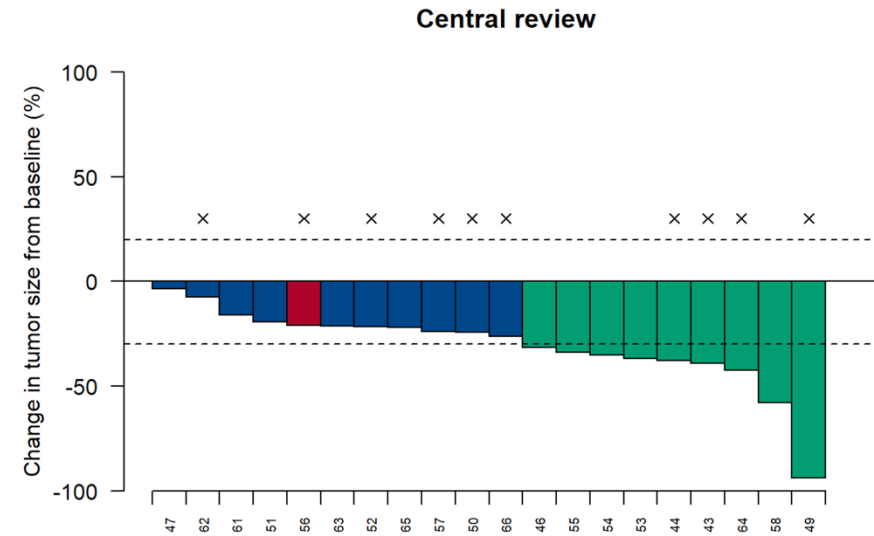
## Key eligibility criteria:

- Progression on 1L nivo/ipi
- Measurable disease
- ECOG PS 0-1



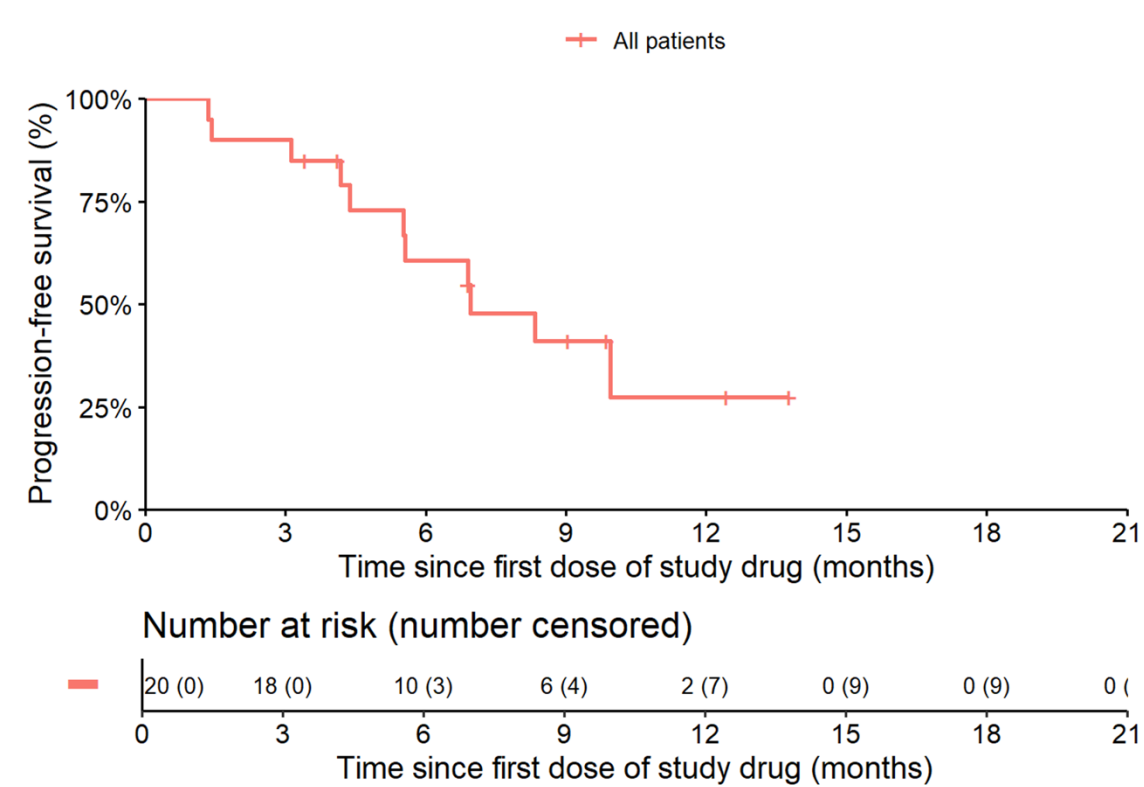
## Objective Response Rate

	Local investigator	Independent central reviewer (2 <sup>nd</sup> endpoint)
	PEM+LEN (N=20)	PEM+LEN (N=20)
Objective response (95% CI) -%	<b>60 (39-82)</b>	45 (23-67)
Best overall response – n(%)		
CR	1 (5)	0 (0)
PR	11 (55)	9 (45)
SD	6 (30)	10 (50)
PD	2 (10)	1 (5)



X= PD as best response nivolumab/ipilimumab





**mPFS 7.0 months (95% CI 5.5 – NA)**

	Grade 1-2 n,(%)	Grade 3 n,(%)	Grade 4 n,(%)
Fatigue	14 (70)	1 (5)	0
Dysphonia	12 (60)	0	0
Anorexia	7 (35)	1 (5)	0
Diarrhea	9 (45)	0	0
Hypertension	4 (20)	5 (25)	0
Oral pain	7 (35)	0	0
Malaise	3 (15)	3 (15)	0
Proteinuria	4 (20)	0	0
Hyponatremia	0	0	1 (5)
Neutrophil count decreased	0	0	1 (5)
Respiratory failure	0	0	1 (5)





# Thymoma



- Originates from epithelial cells of the thymus
- Symptoms such as chest pain, cough, phrenic nerve palsy can arise from mass effect
- Paraneoplastic syndromes including MG, PRCA, hypogammaglobulinemia, pancytopenia, and collagen vascular disease can occur with thymoma
- Treatment can involve surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy

Kumawat et al. *APJCC*. 2024





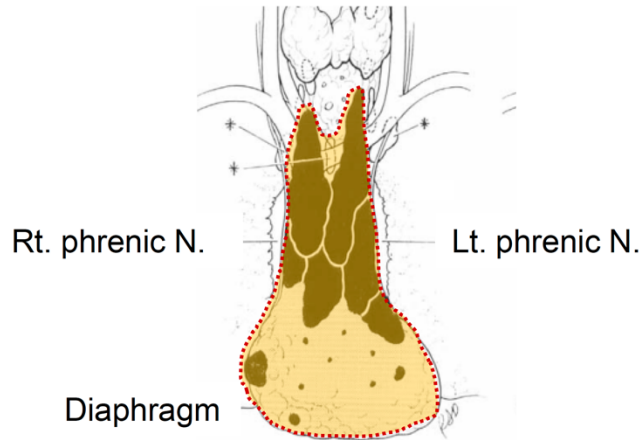
# Validity of simple thymectomy for clinical stage I thymoma without myasthenia gravis:a propensity score-matched analysis

Tomoyuki Hishida, Takahiro Suzuki, Seiji Omura, Yu Okubo, Kyohei Masai,  
Kaoru Kaseda, and Keisuke Asakura  
Division of Thoracic Surgery, Department  
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# The modes of resection of thymomas

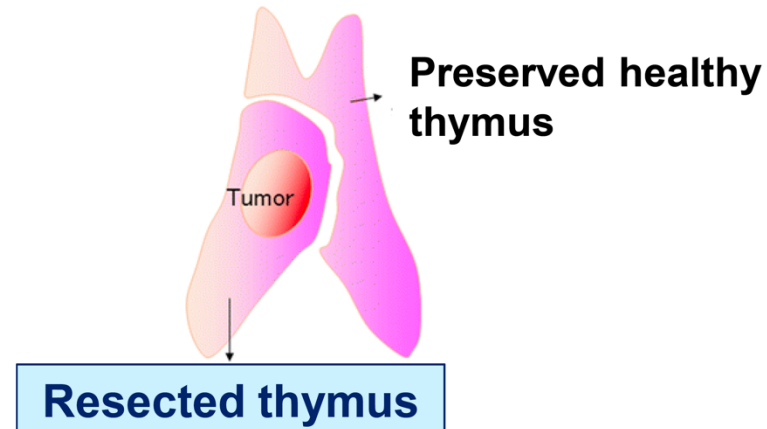
## Total thymectomy (extended thymectomy, “Total”)



Jaretzki, A. Neurology 1997.

Has been recommended as a standard mode of resection for all thymomas.<sup>1</sup>

## Simple thymectomy (“Simple”)



Yano, M, et al. World J Surg 2017.

Has been widely introduced for early stage thymomas without myasthenia gravis (MG).<sup>2,3</sup>



# Patients and methods

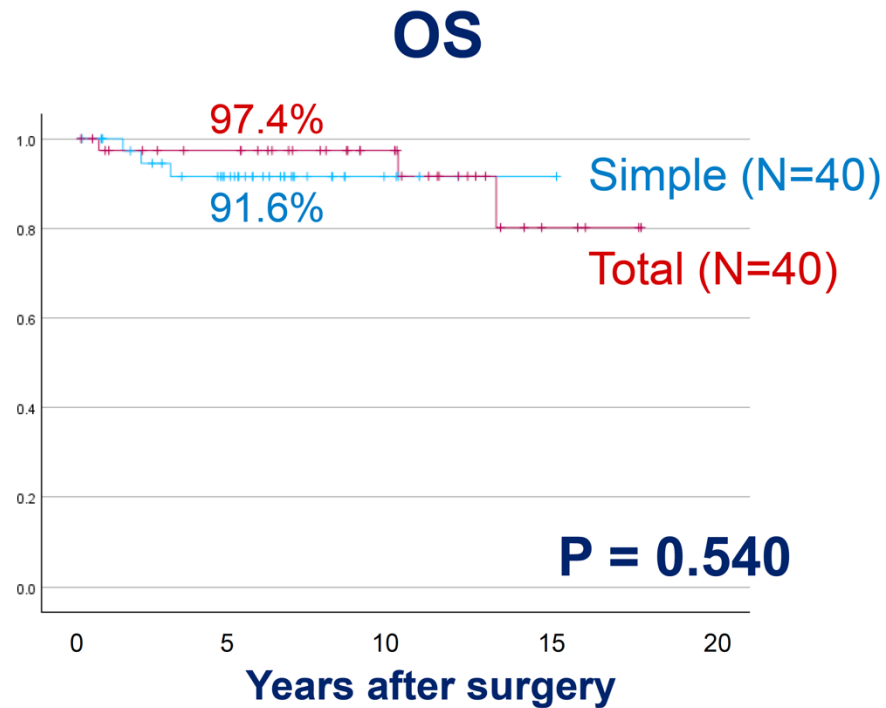
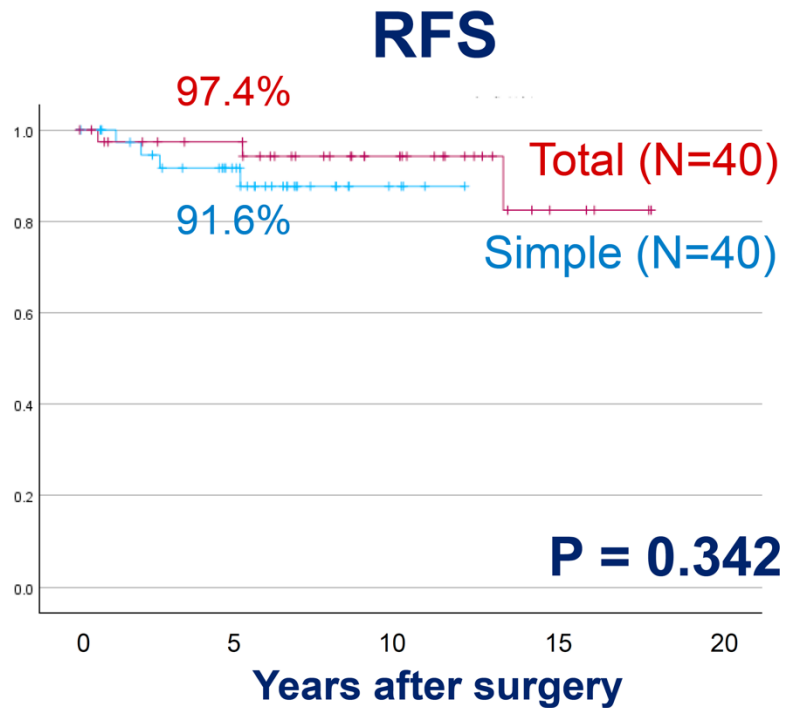
- A total of 119 consecutive patients who underwent surgery for clinical stage I thymoma without MG (cT1N0M0 in the 8<sup>th</sup> TNM) or a suspected lesion which was diagnosed with thymoma at final pathology between 2003 to 2018 at our institution.
- “Simple” or “Total” was determined by a multidisciplinary treatment board, but recent trend favored “Simple” using minimally invasive approaches if the tumor was <5 cm preoperatively.
- “Total” was performed according to extended thymectomy proposed by Masaoka et al.<sup>1</sup>
- We conducted a one-by-one propensity score-matched analysis to reduce potential selection biases between “Simple” and “Total”.

<sup>1</sup>Masaoka, A, et al. Ann Thorac Surg 1996;62:853-9.



# Survival outcomes (after PS matching)

- Matched with 4 preoperative factors (age, gender, preoperative size, anti-AchR antibody)
- Forty patients in each group were compared.



Median follow-up period: 7.0 years (0.1-19.2)



# Detailed long-term outcomes

	Simple thymectomy (N = 50)	Total thymectomy (N = 69)
Thymoma recurrence	3 (6%) (Local: 2, lung: 1)	3 (4%) (Dissemination)
Preoperative size	All were ≥5 cm	All were ≥5 cm
Recurrence in ≥5 cm tumor	38% (3/8)	10% (3/29)
Death	3 (6%) (Thymoma: 2, gastric cancer: 1)	3 (4%) (Pneumonia: 2, unknown: 1)
Postoperative MG	0	3 (4%) (<1M, 3M, 1Y9M)
Postoperative autoimmune diseases other than MG	0	3 (4%) (Basedow disease: 2, SLE: 1)

