

HARNESSING THE FULL POTENTIAL OF
FRONTLINE IMMUNOTHERAPY IN **ADVANCED**
NSCLC

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MANAGING
IMMUNOTHERAPY-
RELATED
ADVERSE EVENTS
IN NSCLC

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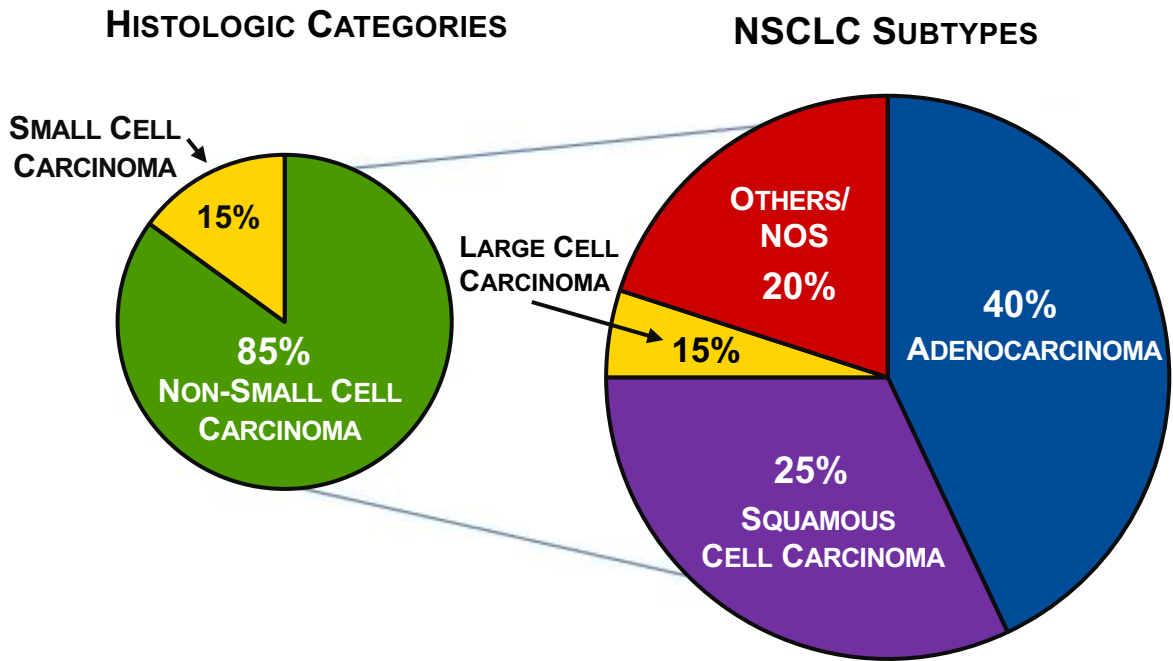
USE OF BIOMARKER TESTING IN ADVANCED NSCLC

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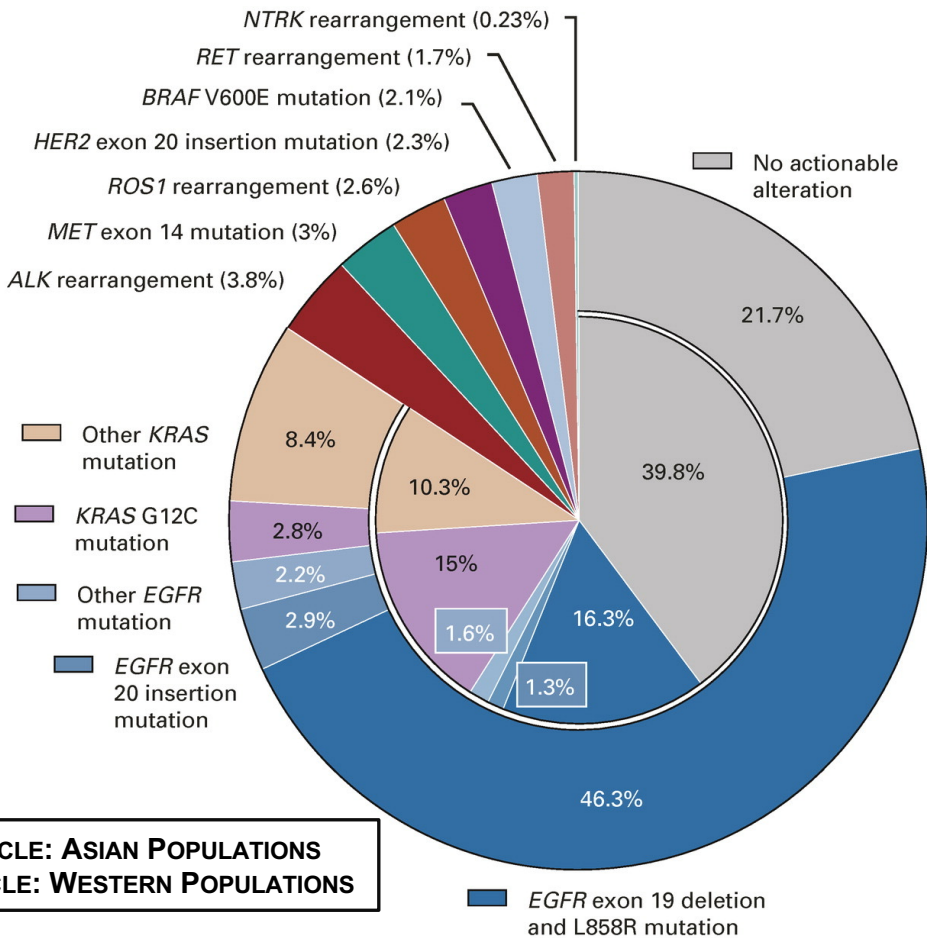
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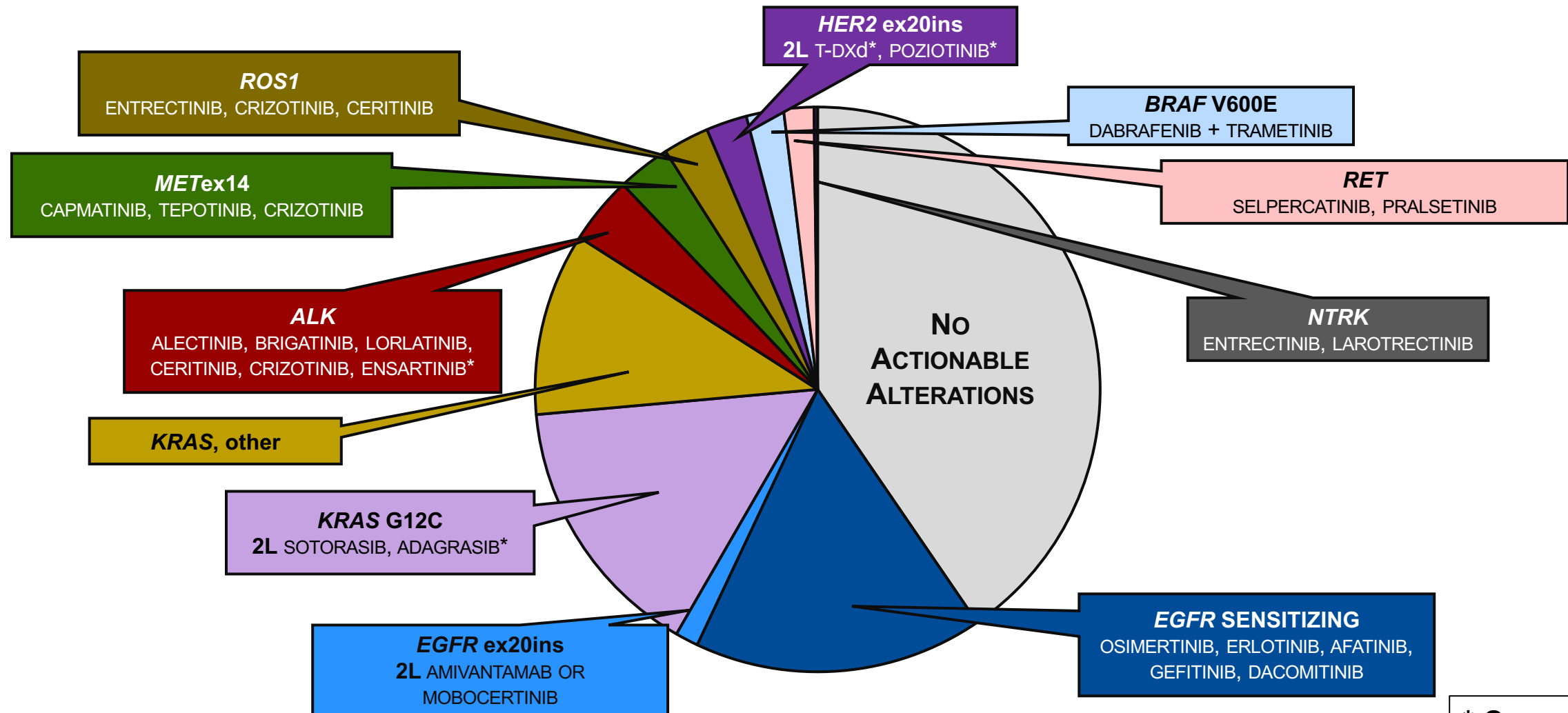
CLASSIFICATION OF LUNG CANCER



MOLECULAR ALTERATIONS IN ADENOCARCINOMA



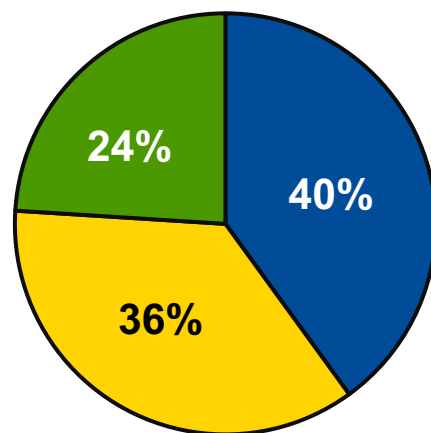
DRIVER MUTATIONS WITH APPROVED AGENT OR ACCESSIBLE VIA CLINICAL TRIAL



* CLINICAL TRIAL

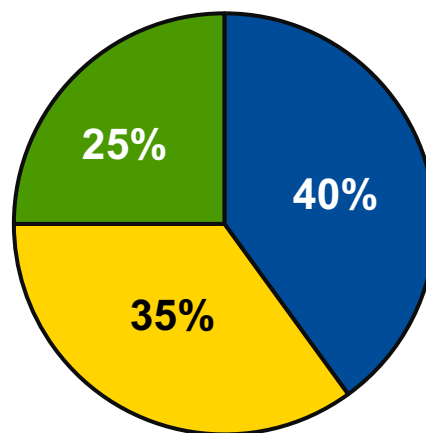
PD-L1 IS EXPRESSED IN 60% OF NSCLC

TOTAL PD-L1 POSITIVITY (N=703)



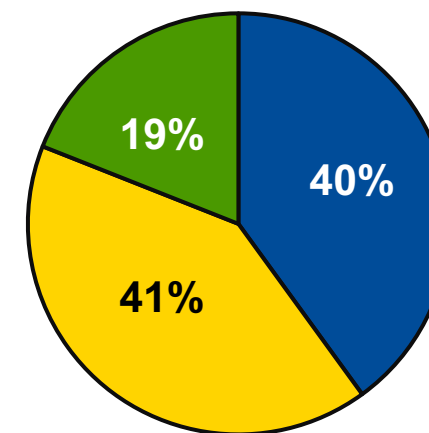
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ADENOCARCINOMAS



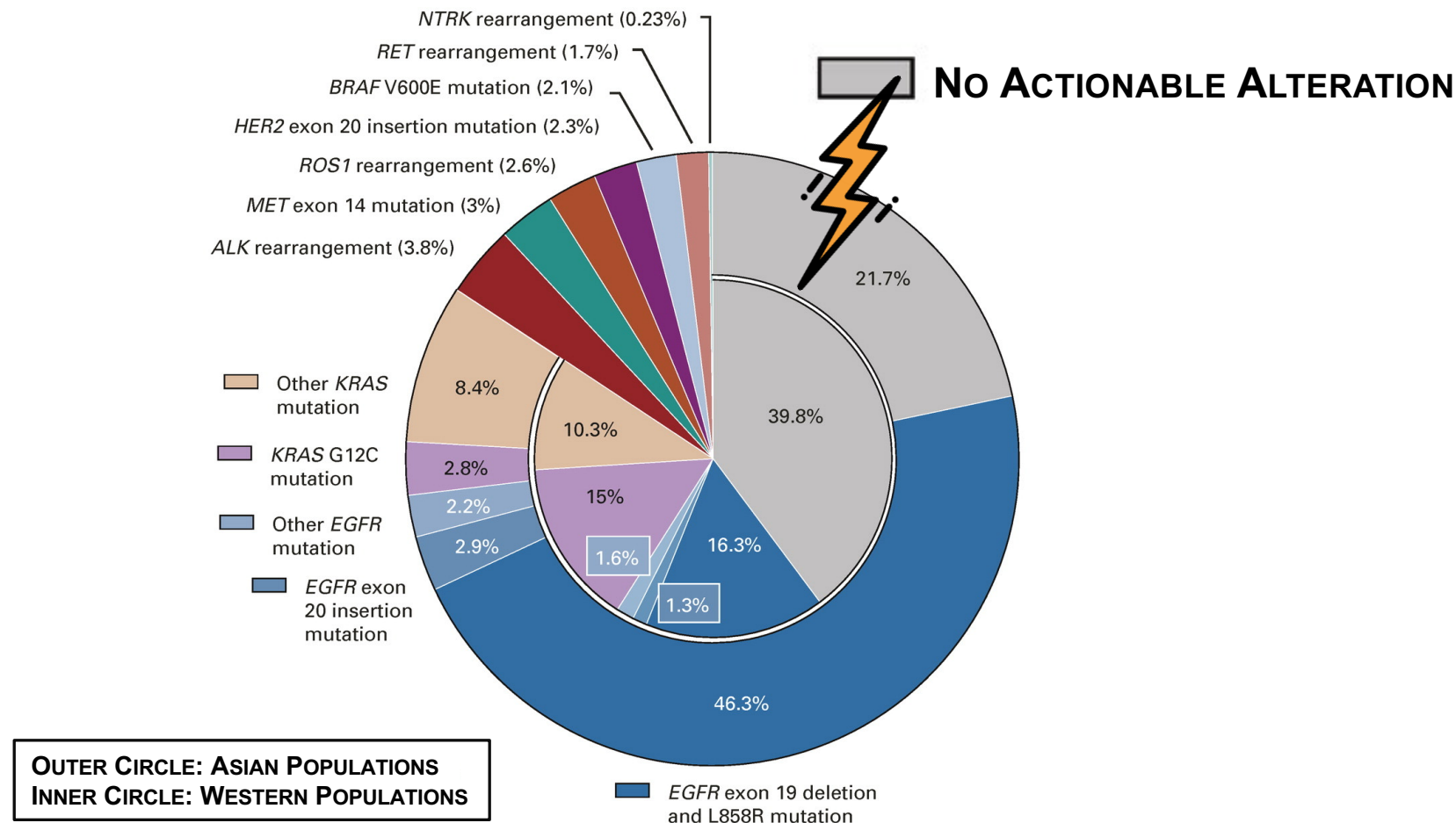
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SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMAS



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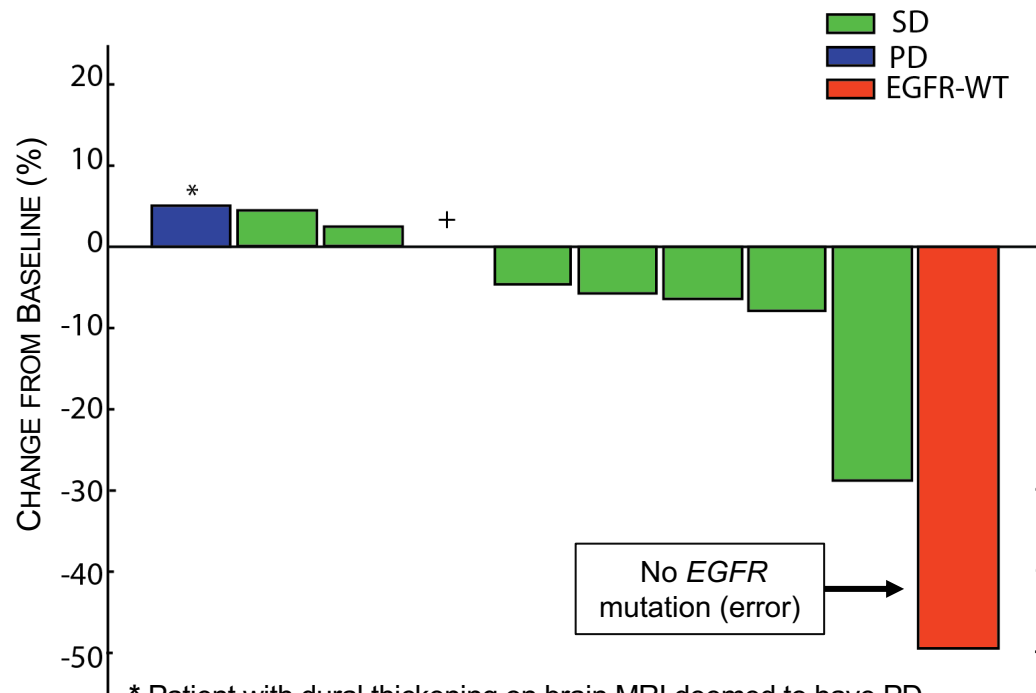
ROLE AND PLACE OF IMMUNE CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS (ICI)



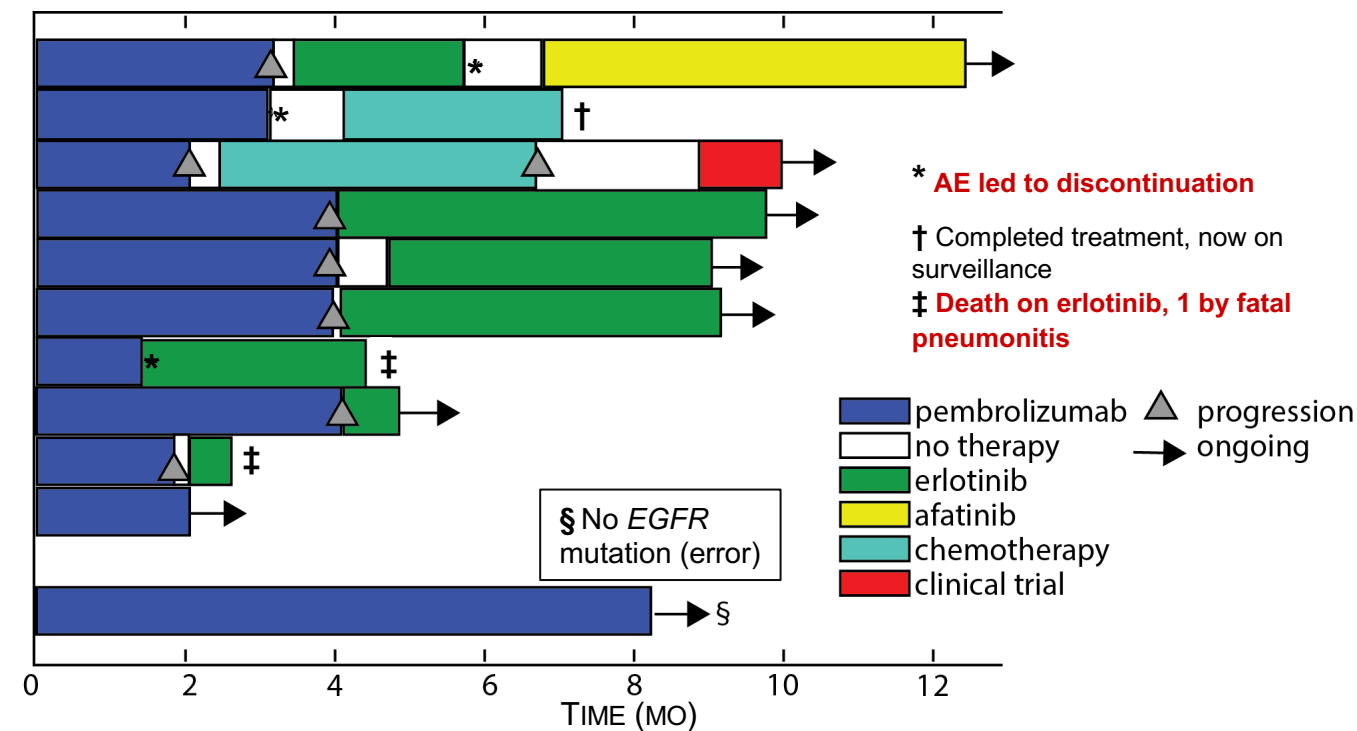
POOR EFFICACY IN *EGFR*+ NSCLC

- Phase 2 study of pembrolizumab in patients with PD-L1+, *EGFR*-mutated advanced NSCLC
- Planned to enroll 25 patients; stopped for futility at 11 patients

BEST RESPONSE FOR TARGET LESIONS

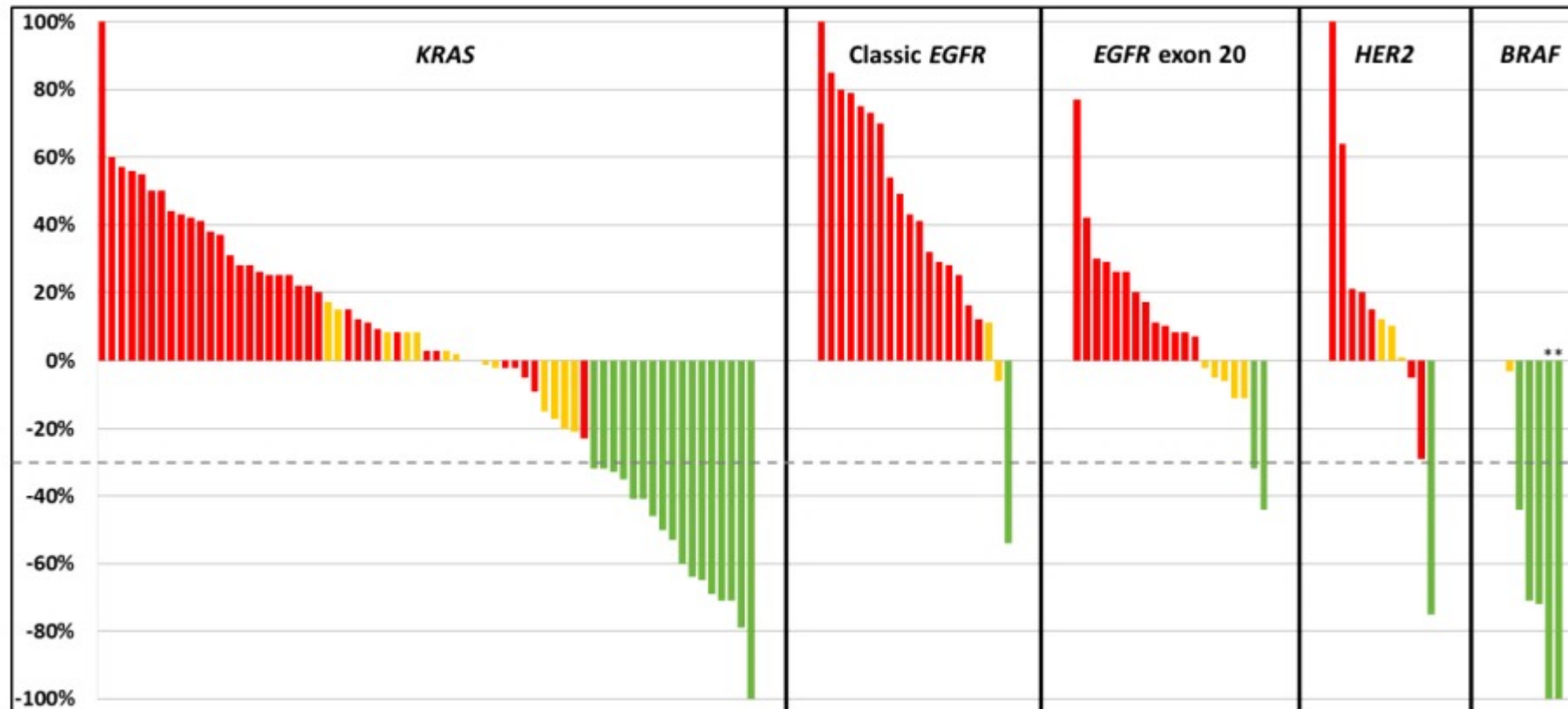


TIME ON TRIAL AND SUBSEQUENT THERAPIES



ROLE OF DRIVER MUTATIONS — NOT BLACK & WHITE!

OVERALL RESPONSE RATE WITH FRONTLINE MONO-ICI



IMMUNOTHERAPY → TKI: A PATH TO TOXICITY

REFERENCE	PHASE	ONCOGENIC DRIVER	N	ARMS/TREATMENT	SAFETY
Lin et al.	RETROSPECTIVE	ALK (3), ROS1 (3), MET (5)	11	PEMBRO → CRIZOTINIB NIVO → CRIZOTINIB ATEZO → CRIZOTINIB IPI/NIVO → CRIZOTINIB	GRADE 3/4 ↑ ALT (45.5%, 5/11) GRADE 3/4 ↑ AST (36.4%, 4/11)
Shoenfeld et al.	RETROSPECTIVE	EGFR	41	NIVO → OSIMERTINIB PEMBRO → OSIMERTINIB ATEZO → OSIMERTINIB	SEVERE IRAE (15%, 6/41) • GRADE 3 PNEUMONITIS (4) • GRADE 3 COLITIS (1) • GRADE 4 HEPATITIS (1)
Oshima et al.	RETROSPECTIVE	EGFR	70	NIVO → TKI	ILD (25.7%, 18/70)
Garassino et al.	PHASE 2	EGFR	111	TKIs → DURVALUMAB	GRADE 3/4 AE (5%, 6/111) • GRADE 3 PNEUMONITIS (1)

IMMUNOTHERAPY → OSIMERTINIB: TOXICITY

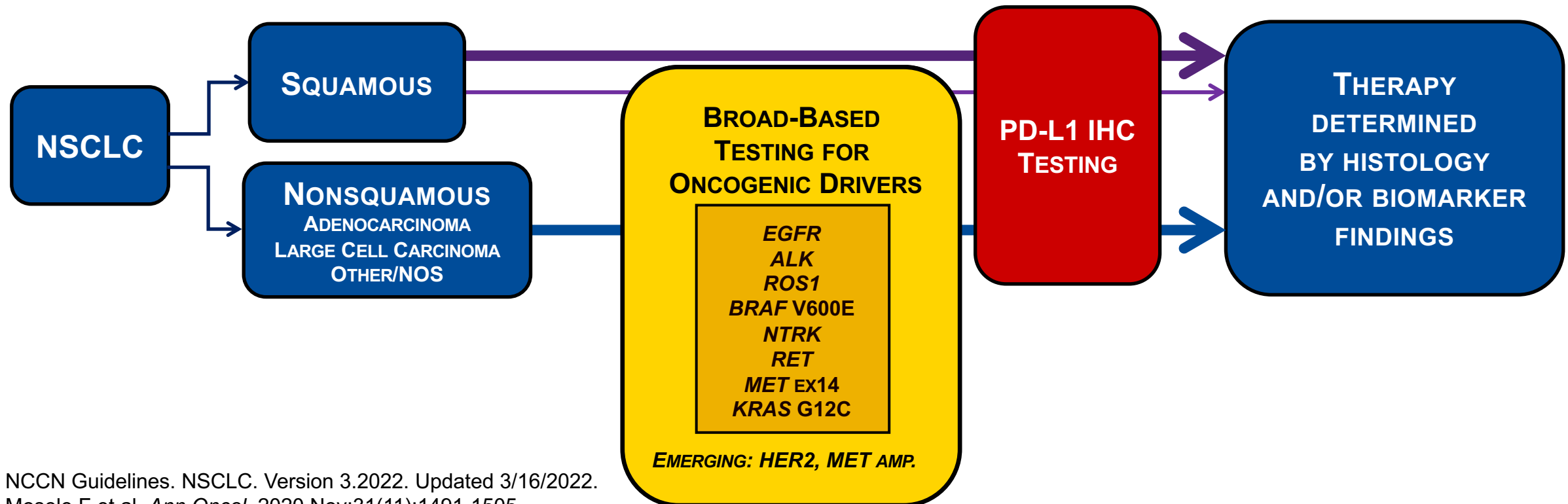
Retrospective review of patient records to identify severe toxicity with ICIs and EGFR TKIs, regardless of sequence, in patients with *EGFR*+ NSCLC (N=126)

- Osimertinib within 3 months after ICI → **24% severe irAE rate**
- Osimertinib before ICI → **0% severe irAE rate**

PATIENT No.	IO REGIMEN	TIME ON IO	TIME FROM IO TO OSIMERTINIB	TIME TO TOXICITY ONSET AFTER 1 ST OSIMERTINIB DOSE	TOXICITY	TOXICITY GRADE	NEED FOR HOSPITALIZATION?	RESPONSE TO STEROIDS?
1	NIVOLUMAB	14 days	29 days	24 days	PNEUMONITIS	3	YES	YES
2	CARBOPLATIN, PEMETREXED, PEMBROLIZUMAB	21 days	23 days	15 days	PNEUMONITIS	3	No	YES
3	IPILIMUMAB, NIVOLUMAB	392 days	22 days	167 days	PNEUMONITIS	3	YES	YES
4	PEMBROLIZUMAB	126 days	28 days	14 days	COLITIS	3	YES	No
5	PEMBROLIZUMAB	126 days	314 days	15 days	PNEUMONITIS	3	YES	YES
6	NIVOLUMAB	68 days	39 days	39 days	HEPATITIS	4	YES	No

RULING OUT TARGETABLE MOLECULAR ALTERATIONS IN ADVANCED NSCLC

Biomarker testing at diagnosis is essential to guide frontline treatment decisions.



TESTING GUIDELINES VARY INTERNATIONALLY...

PREDICTIVE BIOMARKERS	ESMO GUIDELINES	NCCN GUIDELINES	CAP/IASLC/AMP GUIDELINES	ASCO GUIDELINES	PAN-ASIAN GUIDELINES
<i>EGFR</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>ALK</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>ROS1</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>BRAF</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>PD-L1</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>NTRK</i>	●	●	●	●	●

EMERGING BIOMARKERS	ESMO GUIDELINES	NCCN GUIDELINES	CAP/IASLC/AMP GUIDELINES	ASCO GUIDELINES	PAN-ASIAN GUIDELINES
<i>KRAS</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>MET</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>RET</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>ERBB2/HER2</i>	●	●	●	●	●
<i>TMB</i>	●	●	●	●	●



Testing Recommended



Expanded panel testing recommended

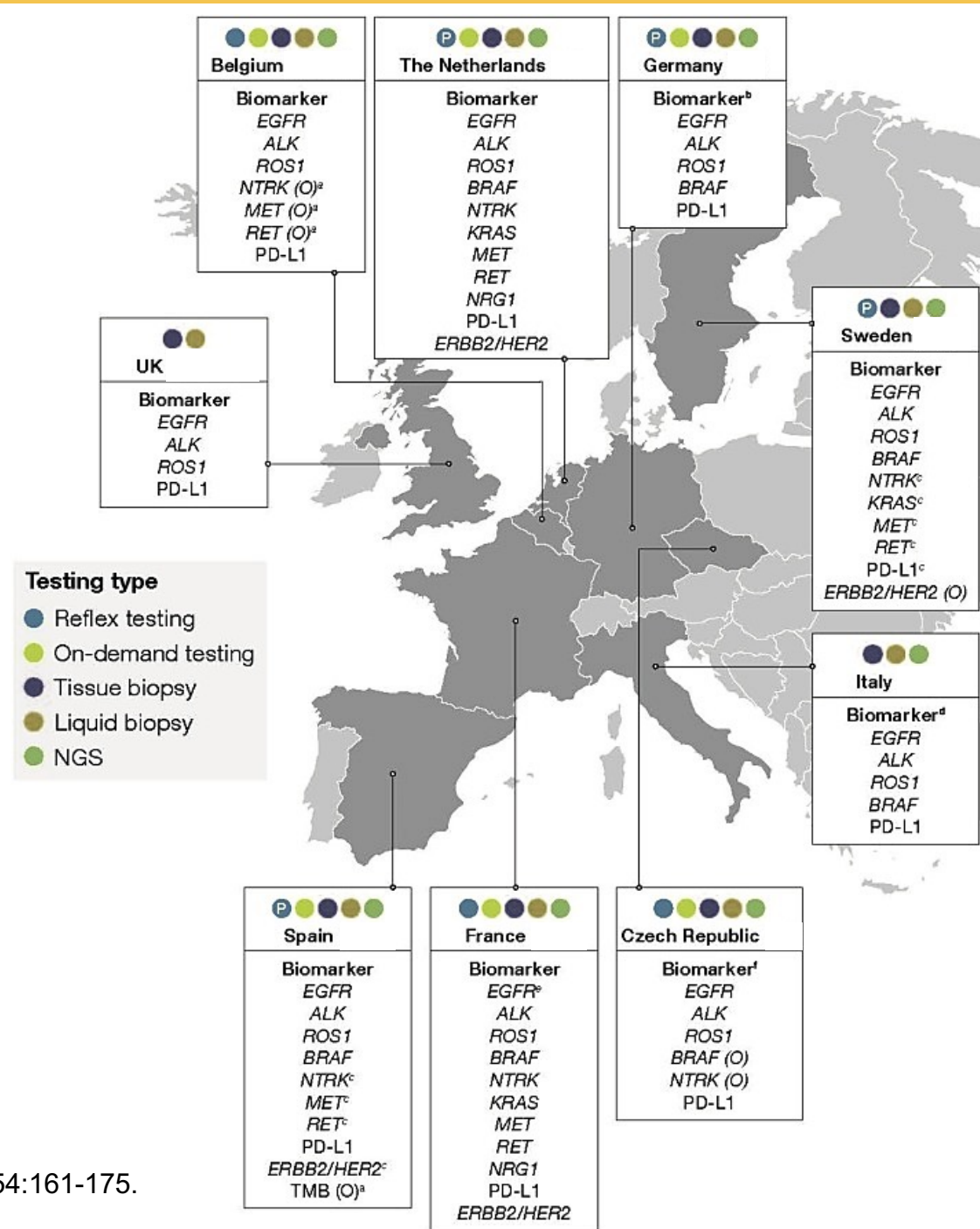


Single gene or expanded panel testing recommended



No guideline recommendations to date

...AND BY COUNTRY



WHEN TO ORDER AN NGS TEST IN NSCLC



- NGS is indicated in advanced NSCLC:
 - To detect **ANY AND ALL** targetable molecular alterations
 - To rule out actionable targets prior to initiation of immunotherapy
 - To prevent tissue exhaustion prior to completion of the required profiling
 - For cost containment
 - To detect emerging biomarkers that may denote clinical trial eligibility
- RNA-based sequencing tests may be more sensitive to detect gene fusions and *MET* exon-14 alterations than DNA-based methods.
- Consider rapid assays in addition to NGS for assessment of common markers to improve turnaround time.

RELATIVE SENSITIVITY OF MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTIC TECHNIQUES IN NSCLC

	TISSUE PCR SEQUENCING	TISSUE ALLELE SPECIFIC PCR SEQUENCING	TISSUE FISH	TISSUE IHC	TISSUE NGS	ctDNA PCR	ctDNA NGS	TISSUE RNA
<i>EGFR</i> (sensitizing and T790M)	+	++	0	0	++	+	+	+
<i>ERBB2/HER2</i> Mutation	+	++	0	0	++	+	+	+
<i>MET</i> ex14 mutation	0	++	0	0	++	+	+	++
<i>BRAF</i> mutation	+	++	0	0	++	+	+	+
<i>KRAS</i> mutation	+	++	0	0	++	+	+	+
<i>ALK</i> rearrangement	0	0	++	++	+	+	+	++
<i>ROS1</i> rearrangement	0	0	++	0	+	0	+	++
<i>MET</i> amplification	0	0	++	0	+	0	+	+
<i>RET</i> rearrangement	0	0	++	0	+	+	+	++
PD-L1 protein expression	0	0	0	++	0	0	0	0
<i>NTRK</i> fusion	0	0	++	+	+	0	+	++
<i>NRG1</i> fusion	0	0	++	+	+	0	+	++

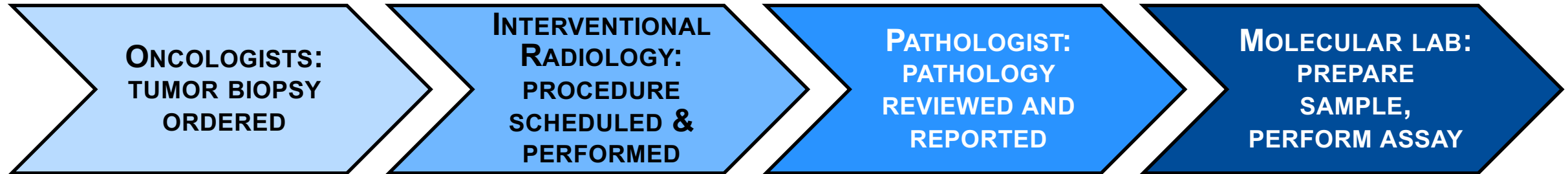
++ HIGHEST SENSITIVITY

+ LOWER SENSITIVITY

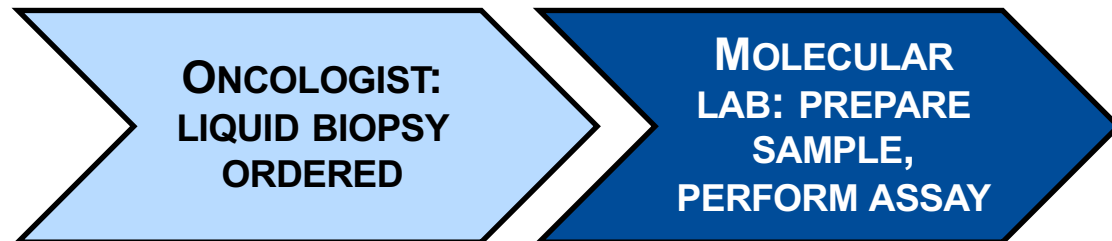
0: NOT USEFUL

TISSUE, PLASMA, OR BOTH?

- Tumor biopsies involve multiple steps:



- Liquid biopsies (plasma genotyping) involve fewer steps:



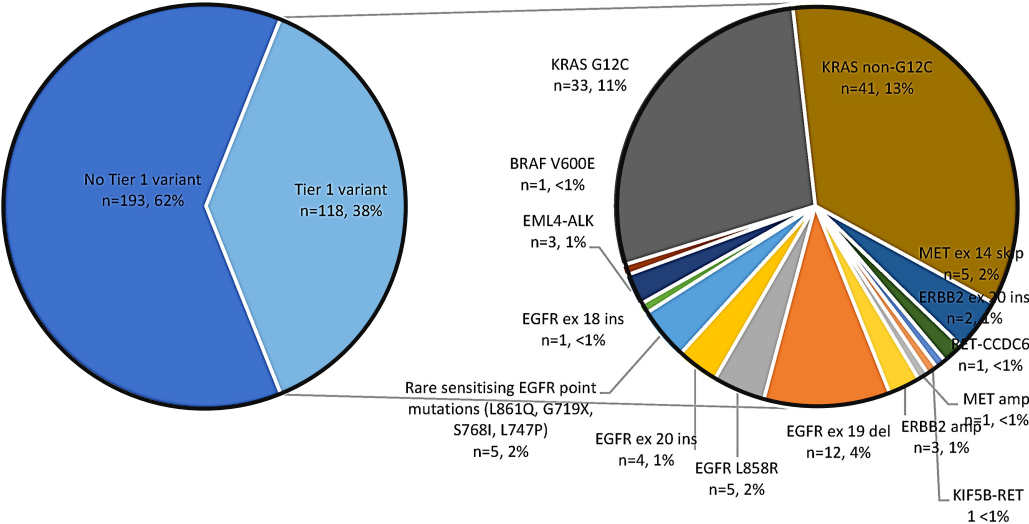
CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ctDNA ANALYSIS

	IASLC	ASCO/CAP	ESMO NSCLC	NCCN NSCLC
Plasma over serum	✓	✓		
Prioritise histologic diagnosis	✓	✓		✓
If tissue insufficient, medically unfit, or expected delay, consider plasma testing	✓			✓
Plasma genotyping at progression to detect targetable alteration	✓	✓	✓	✓
If plasma negative, tissue biopsy recommended	✓	✓	✓	✓
A positive, actionable ctDNA-detected alteration is sufficient to initiate treatment	✓	✓	✓	✓
NGS is preferred for detecting fusions	✓			
Reports to include platform used and molecular findings	✓	✓		
Establish analytical validity of each assay	✓	✓		✓
Account for CHIP-related alterations	✓	✓		✓

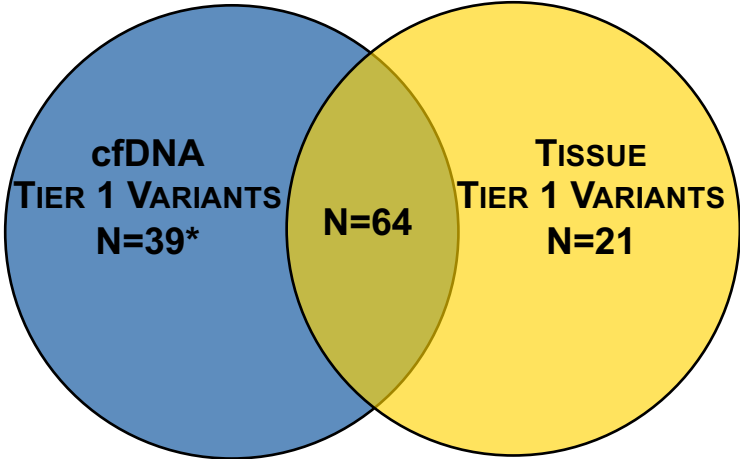
cfDNA-NGS vs TISSUE MOLECULAR TESTS



TIER-1 VARIANTS DETECTED ON cfDNA-NGS (N = 311)

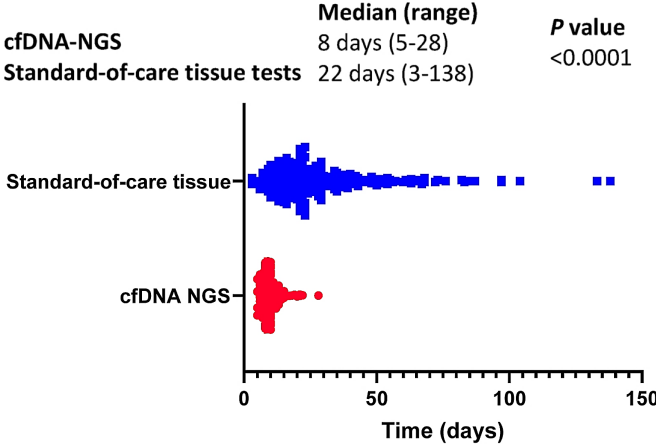


CONCORDANCE: 243 PAIRED TESTS



*** 17 OF 39 (44%) ADDITIONAL VARIANTS DETECTED BY cfDNA-NGS ALONE WERE ACTIONABLE**

TURN-AROUND TIMES



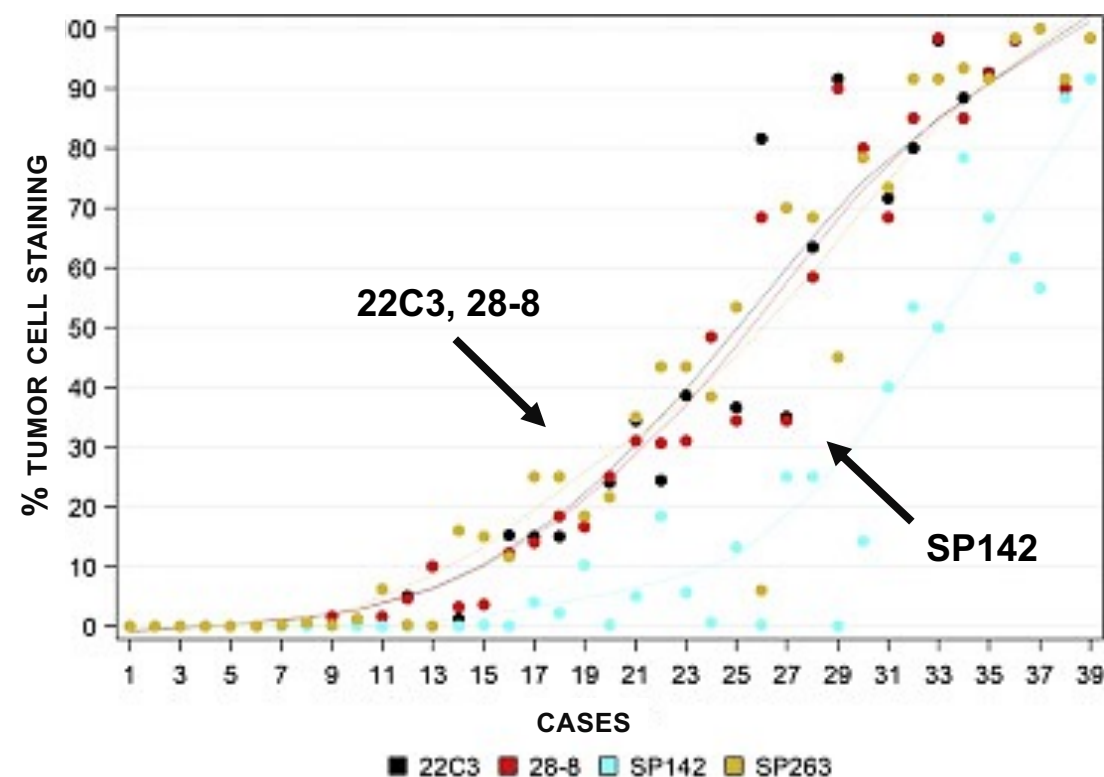
PD-L1 IHC ASSAYS FOR FRONTLINE MONO-ICI

PD-L1 IHC ASSAYS FOR ICI ALONE

IMMUNOTHERAPY	CLONE	FRONTLINE INDICATION
PEMBROLIZUMAB	22C3	US: TPS $\geq 1\%$ EU: TPS $\geq 50\%$
CEMPIPLIMAB	22C3	TPS $\geq 50\%$
ATEZOLIZUMAB	SP142	TC $\geq 50\%$ or IC $\geq 10\%$
IPILIMUMAB + NIVOLUMAB	28-8	US: TPS $\geq 1\%$ EU: NOT APPROVED ALONE

ICI, IMMUNE CHECKPOINT INHIBITOR.

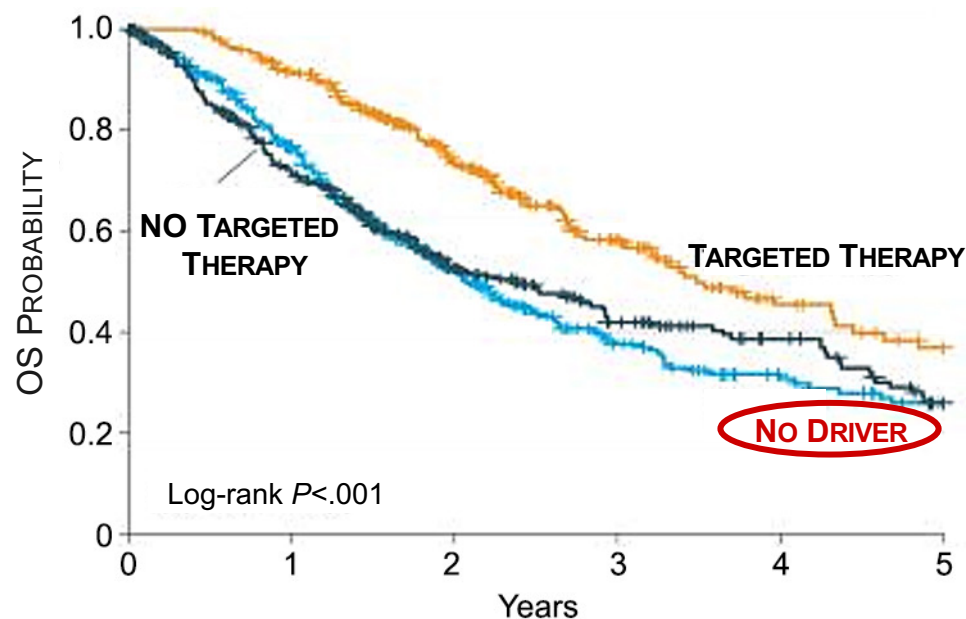
BLUEPRINT PD-L1 IHC ASSAY COMPARISON PROJECT



IMMUNOTHERAPY EXTENDS SURVIVAL IN ADVANCED NONDRIVER NSCLC

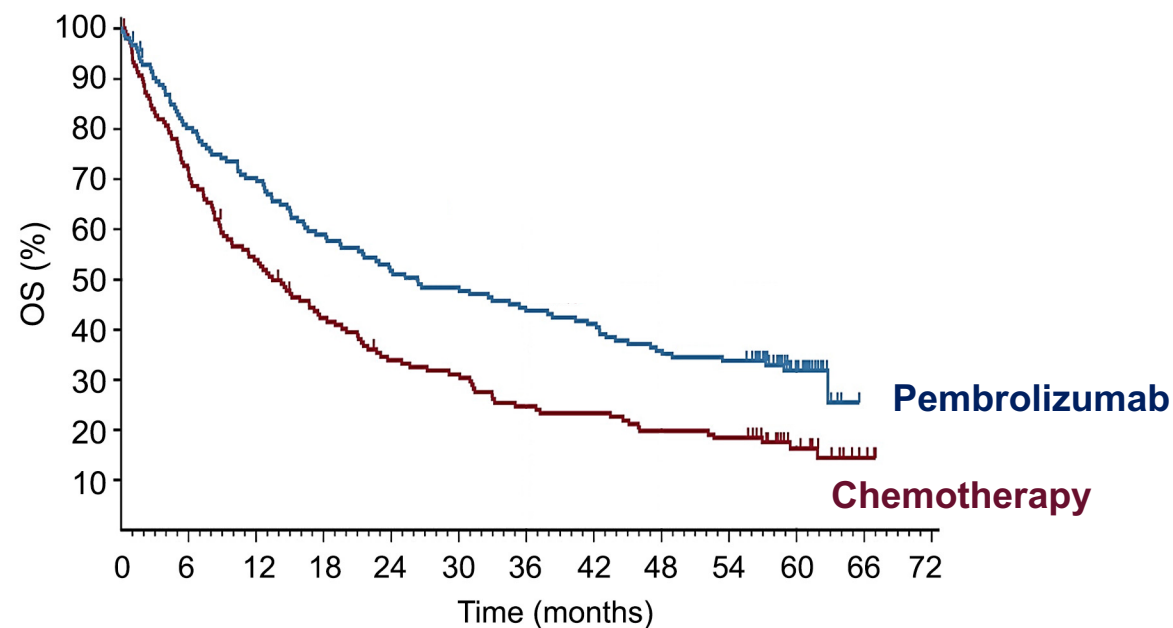
ONCOGENIC DRIVER TARGETS

Patients with a driver mutation who did and did not receive targeted therapy, and patients without a driver mutation



PEMBROLIZUMAB

PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$, EGFR, ALK WT
(KEYNOTE-024)



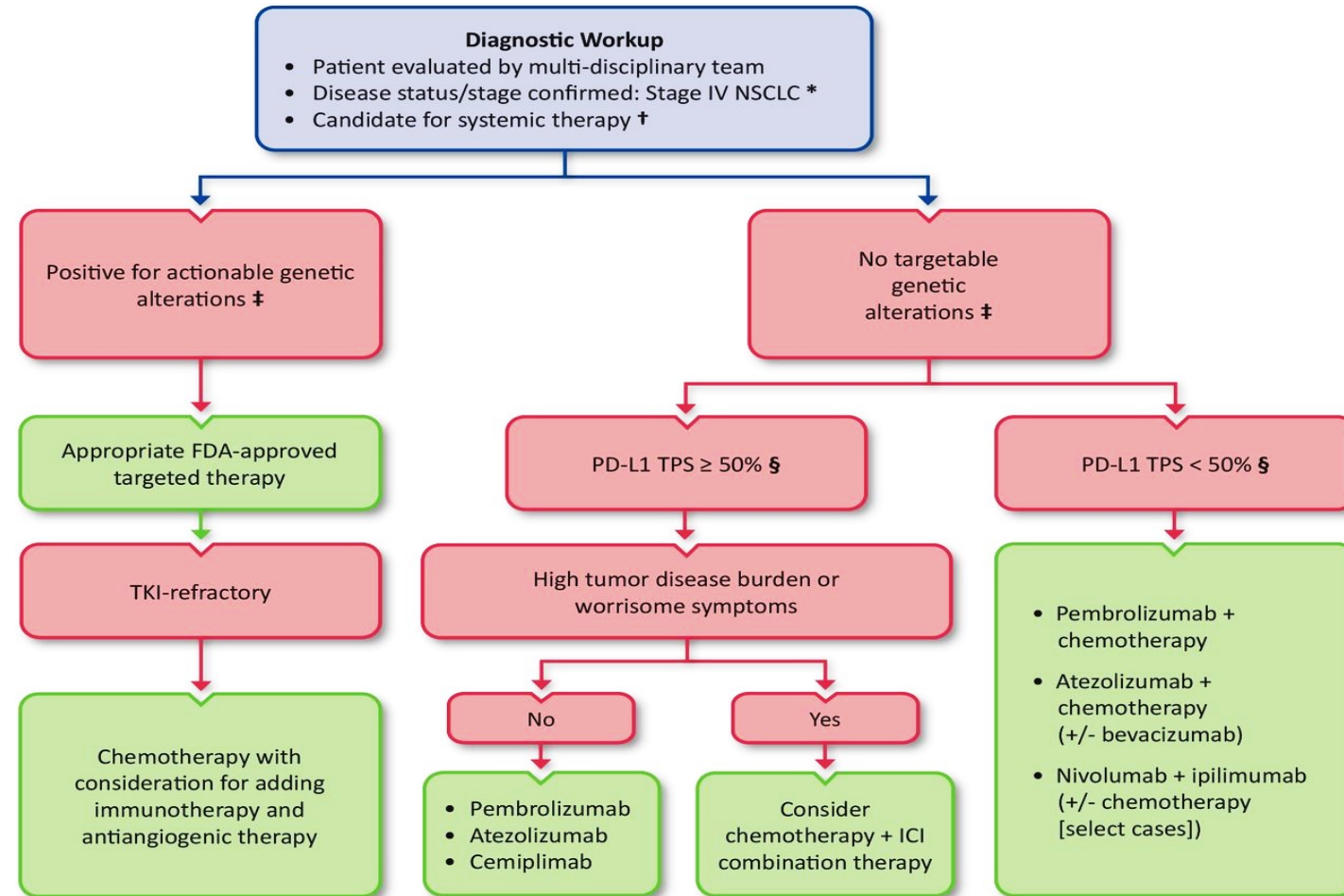
SELECTING FRONTLINE IMMUNOTHERAPY IN ADVANCED NSCLC

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SITC: ADVANCED NSCLC TREATMENT ALGORITHM



EU:
• NIVO/IPI NOT APPROVED ALONE
• NIVO/IPI + CHEMO IS PD-L1 AGNOSTIC

*PD-L1 testing may be considered in select patients with stage III NSCLC to determine eligibility for adjuvant ICIs or predict clinical benefit in the unresectable setting. †A multidisciplinary approach is recommended for patients with comorbid active autoimmune conditions, solid organ transplant, baseline ILD, or high pneumonitis risk. ‡Comprehensive next-generation sequencing (NGS) is recommended for molecular testing. If NGS is not available, tumor tissue should be tested for molecular driver genetic alterations.§ The 22C3, 28–8, and SP263 assays are interchangeable; the SP142 assay is not.

FRONTLINE IMMUNOTHERAPY: DATA AT A GLANCE



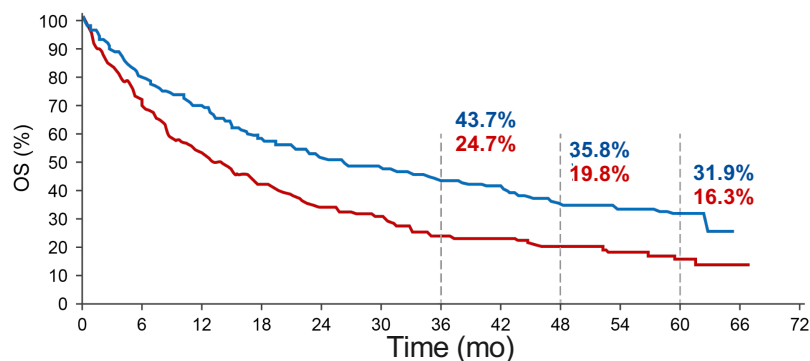
TRIAL	COMPARISON	SELECTION	ORR, %	PFS HR	OS HR
KEYNOTE-024	PEMBRO VS. PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO	PD-L1 ≥50%	46.1 vs 31.1	0.50	0.62
IMPOWER110	ATEZO VS. PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO	PD-L1 ≥50% (TC) OR 10% (IC)	40.2 vs 28.6	0.59	0.69
EMPOWER-LUNG 1	CEMPIPLIMAB VS. PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO	PD-L1 ≥50%	39.2 vs 20.4	0.54	0.57
KEYNOTE-042	PEMBRO VS. PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO	PD-L1 ≥1%	27.3 vs 26.7	1.03	0.79
KEYNOTE-189	CARBO/PEM ± PEMBRO	PD-L1 UNSELECTED, NON-SQ	48.3 vs 19.9	0.49	0.56
IMPOWER130	CARBO/NAB-PAC ± ATEZO	PD-L1 UNSELECTED, NON-SQ	49.2 vs 31.9	0.64	0.79
IMPOWER150	CARBO/PAC + BEV ± ATEZO	PD-L1 UNSELECTED, NON-SQ	63.5 vs 48.0	0.57	0.80
KEYNOTE-407	CARBO/PAC OR NAB-PAC ± PEMBRO	PD-L1 UNSELECTED, SQ	62.6 vs 38.8	0.59	0.71
EMPOWER-LUNG 3	PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO ± CEMPIPLIMAB	PD-L1 UNSELECTED SQ/NON-SQ	43.3 vs 22.7	0.56	0.71
CHECKMATE 227	IPI/NIVO VS. PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO	PD-L1 ≥1%	36.4 vs 30.0	0.79	0.77
		PD-L1 <1%	27.3 vs 23.1	0.75	0.65
CHECKMATE 9LA	PLAT-DOUBLET CHEMO ± IPI/NIVO	PD-L1 ≥1%	42.2 vs 27.5	0.71	0.74
		PD-L1 <1%	31.9 vs 20.2	0.69	0.67

Reck M, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2021;39(21):2339-2349. Jassem J, et al. *J Thorac Oncol*. 2021;16(11):1872-1882. Sezer A, et al. *Lancet*. 2021;397(10274):592-604. Rodriguez-Abreu D, et al. *Ann Oncol*. 2021;32(7):881-895. West H, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2019;20(7):924-937. Socinski M, et al. *J Thorac Oncol*. 2021;16(11):1909-1924. Robinson AG, et al. ELCC 2021. Abstract 970. Gogishvili M, et al. ESMO 2021. Abstract LBA51. Paz-Ares LG, et al. *J Thorac Oncol*. 2022;17(2):289-308. Hellmann MD et al. *NEJM*. 2019;381:2020. Brahmer JR et al. ASCO 2022. Poster LBA9025. Paz-Ares LG et al. ASCO 2022. Poster LBA9026.

CONSIDERING PD-L1 EXPRESSION LEVELS

KEYNOTE-024, 5Y DATA

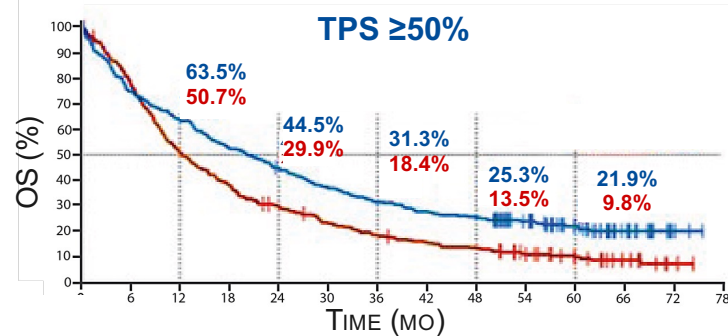
TPS ≥50%



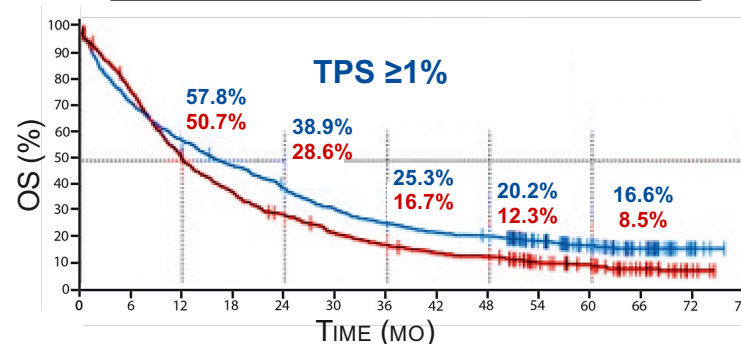
Median OS (95% CI): **26.3** vs **13.4** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.62** (0.48, 0.81)

KEYNOTE-042, 5Y DATA

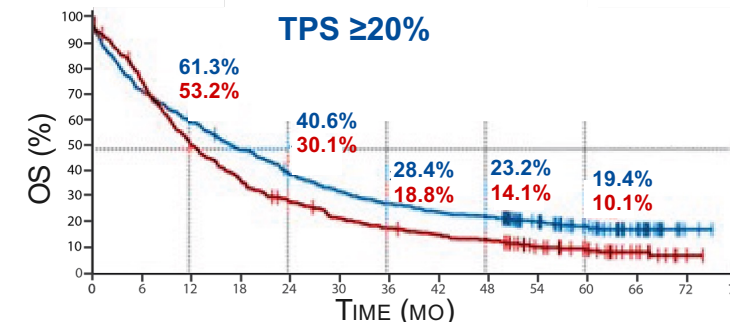
— PEMBROLIZUMAB
— CHEMOTHERAPY



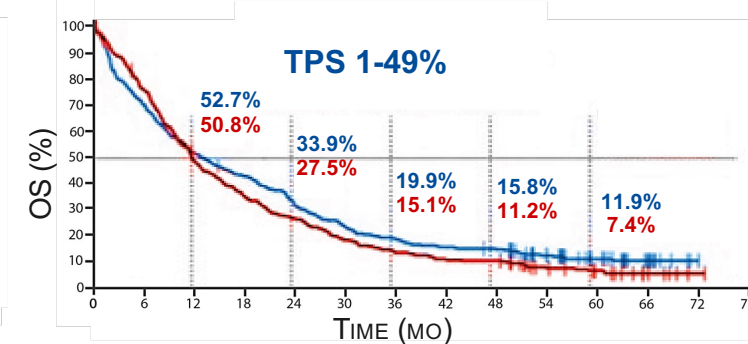
Median OS (95% CI): **20.2** vs **12.2** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.68** (0.57, 0.81)



Median OS (95% CI): **16.4** vs **12.1** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.79** (0.70, 0.89)



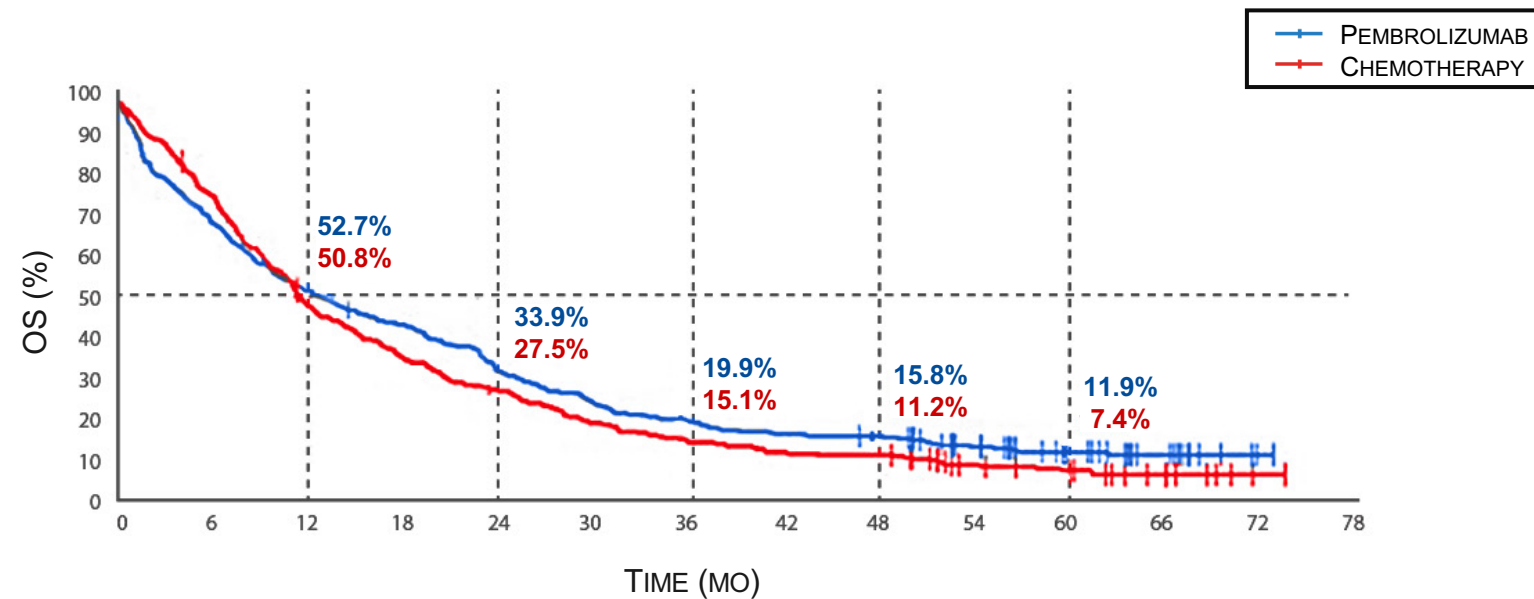
Median OS (95% CI): **18.0** vs **13.0** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.75** (0.64, 0.87)



Median OS (95% CI): **13.4** vs **12.1** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.88** (0.75, 1.04)

PD-L1 LEVELS OF 1-49%

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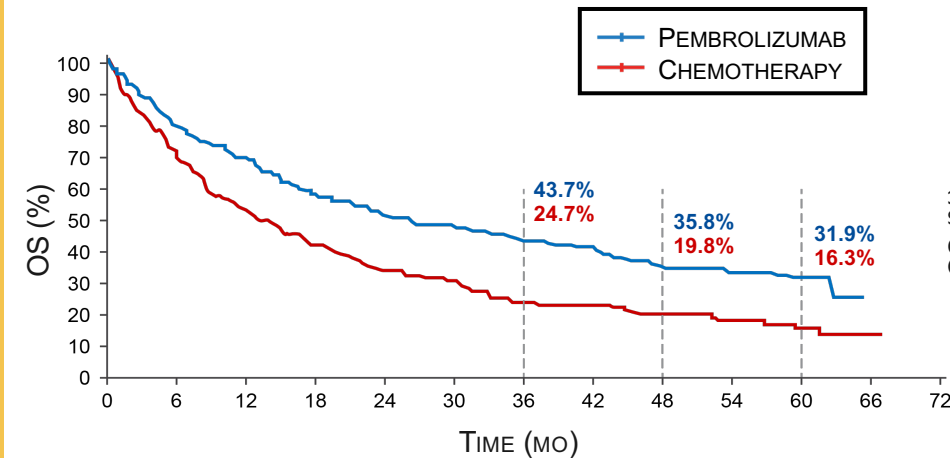


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SURVIVAL BENEFIT: FRONTLINE IO-MONO IN NSCLC WITH HIGH PD-L1 EXPRESSION

KEYNOTE-024

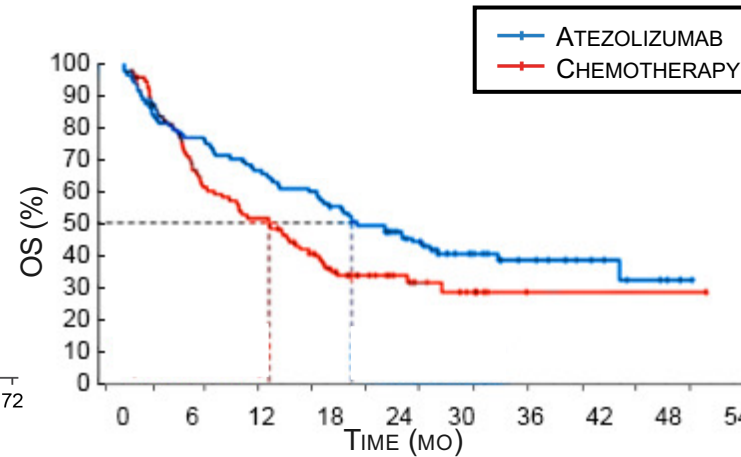
TPS ≥50%



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IMPOWER 110*

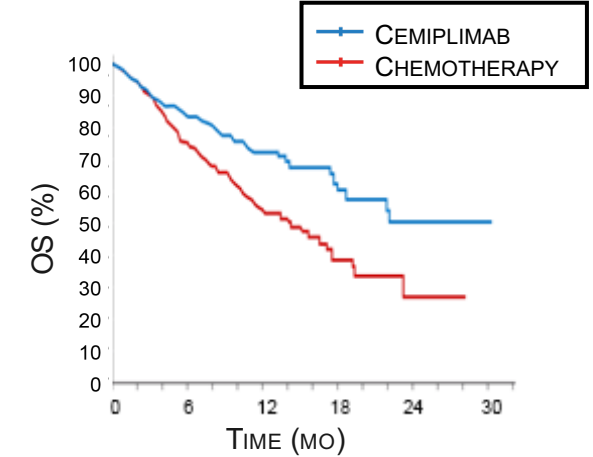
TC ≥50% OR IC ≥10%



Median OS (95% CI), **20.2** vs **13.0** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.69** (0.48, 0.99)

EMPOWER-LUNG 1

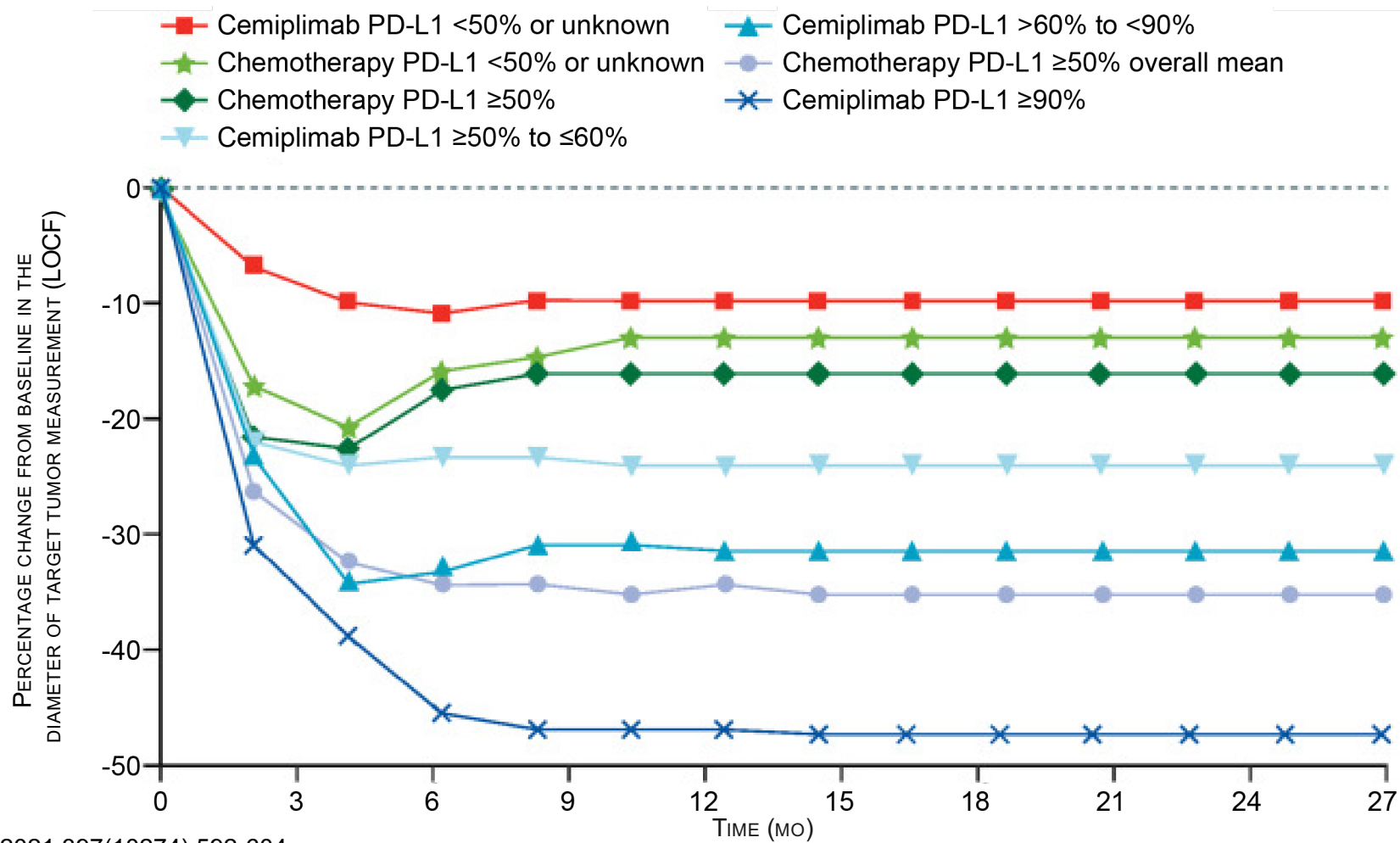
TPS ≥50%



Median OS (95% CI), **NR (17.9, NE)** vs **14.2** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.57** (0.42, 0.77); $P=.0002$

* Adjusted for NPT, Non-Protocol Therapy

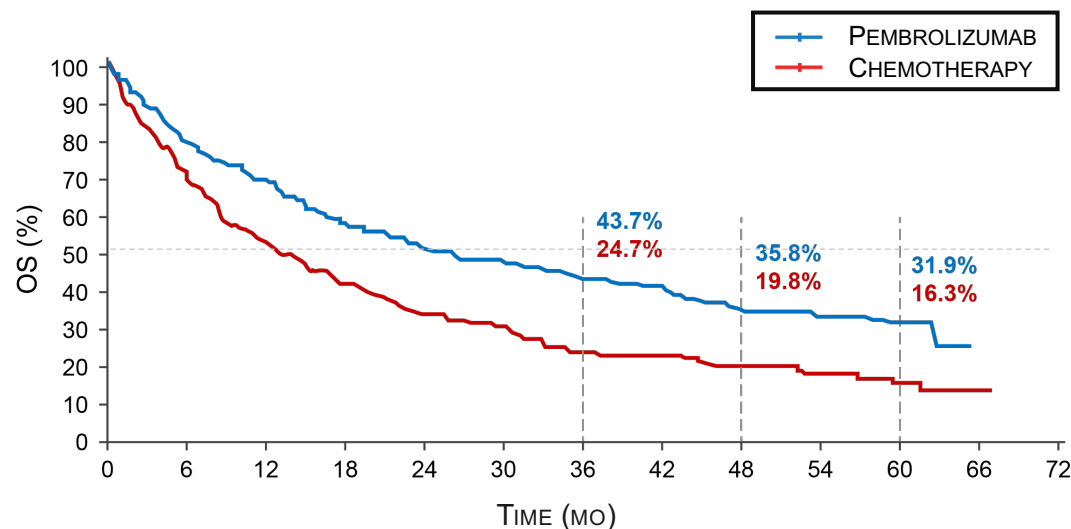
CHANGE IN TUMOR SIZE BY PD-L1 LEVEL



Sezer A et al. *Lancet*. 2021;397(10274):592-604.

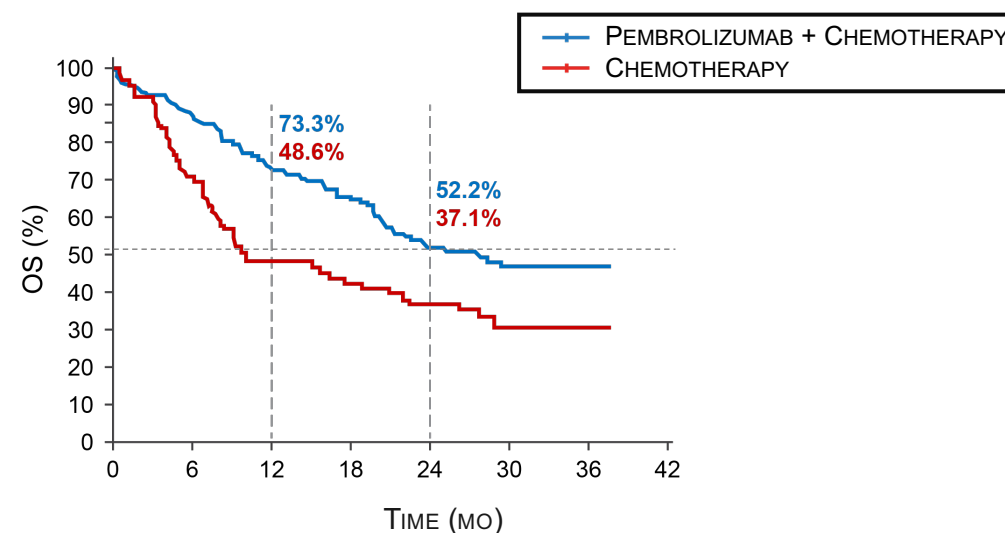
DOES CHEMO ADD BENEFIT WITH PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$?

KEYNOTE-024 (81-82% NON-SQ) PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$



Median OS (95% CI), **26.3** (18.3, 40.4) vs **13.4** (9.4, 18.3) mo
HR (95% CI): **0.62** (0.48, 0.81)

KEYNOTE-189 (NON-SQ) PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$ SUBGROUP



Median OS (95% CI), **27.7** (20.4, NR) vs **10.1** (7.5, 22.0) mo
HR (95% CI): **0.59** (0.40, 0.86)

FDA POOLED ANALYSIS: 1L CHEMO-IO vs. IO IN NSCLC WITH PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$ (N=3,189)



CHEMO-IO TRIALS		IO-ONLY TRIALS	
TRIAL	INVESTIGATIONAL REGIMEN	TRIAL	INVESTIGATIONAL REGIMEN
KEYNOTE-021*	PEMBROLIZUMAB + CHEMO**	CHECKMATE 026	NIVOLUMAB**
KEYNOTE-189	PEMBROLIZUMAB + CHEMO**	KEYNOTE-024	PEMBROLIZUMAB**
KEYNOTE-407	PEMBROLIZUMAB + CHEMO**	KEYNOTE-042	PEMBROLIZUMAB**
IMPOWER150	ATEZOLIZUMAB + BEVACIZUMAB + CHEMO***	IMPOWER110	ATEZOLIZUMAB**
IMPOWER130	ATEZOLIZUMAB + CHEMO**	CHECKMATE 227	NIVOLUMAB + IPILIMUMAB**
CHECKMATE-9LA	NIVOLUMAB + IPILIMUMAB + CHEMO**	EMPOWER-LUNG 1	CEMPIIMAB**

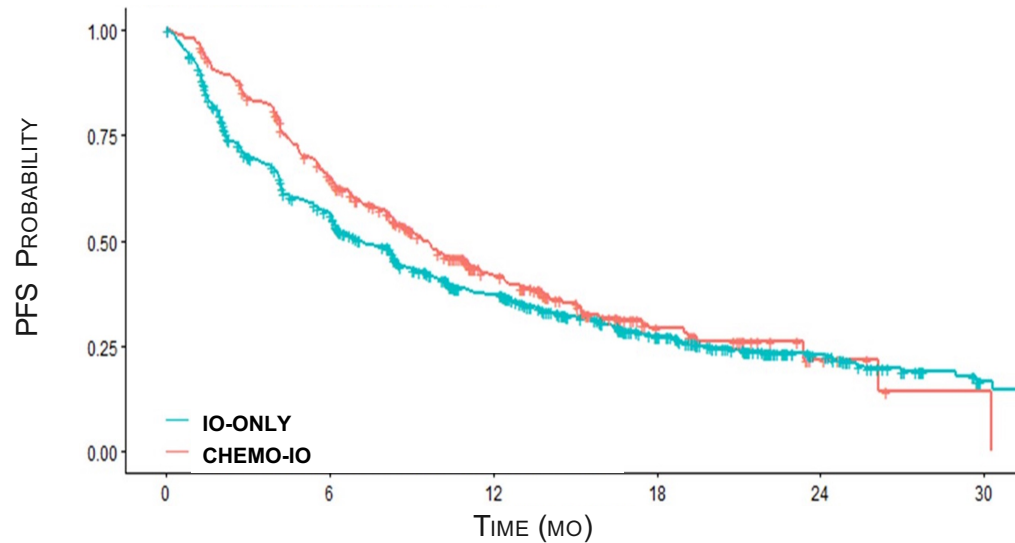
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** CONTROL ARMS: PLATINUM-BASED DOUBLET CHEMOTHERAPY

*** CONTROL ARM IN IMPOWER150: BEVACIZUMAB + PLATINUM-BASED DOUBLET CHEMOTHERAPY

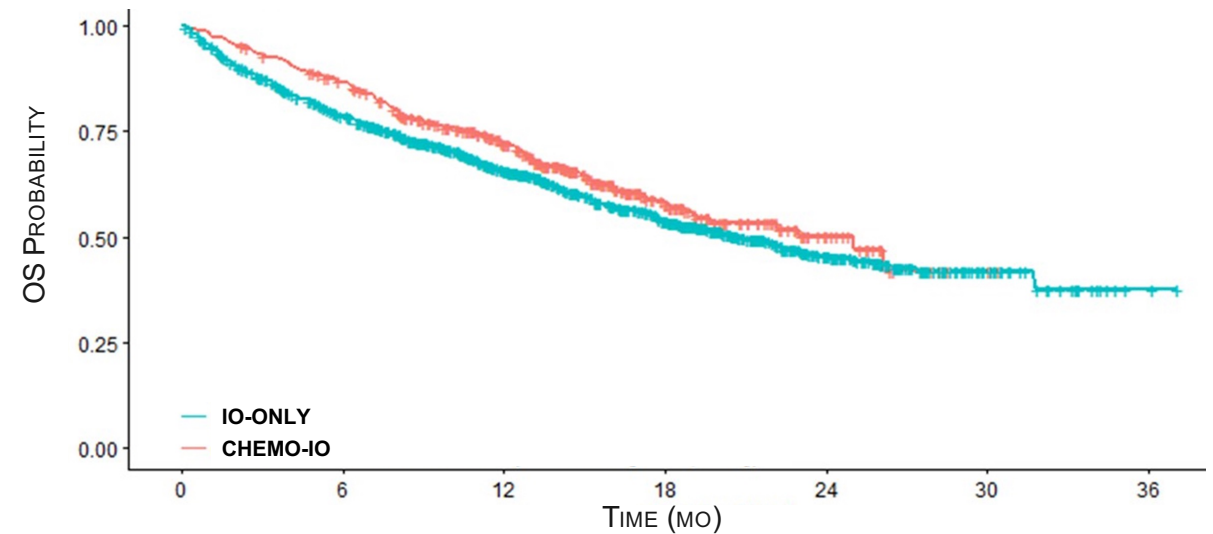
FDA POOLED ANALYSIS: EXPLORATORY SURVIVAL ENDPOINTS

**PFS IN CHEMO-IO VS. IO-ONLY ARMS OF
RANDOMIZED TRIALS SUPPORTING APPROVAL IN
1L NSCLC, PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$**



Median PFS (95% CI), **9.6** (8.4, 11.1) vs **7.1** (6.3, 8.3) mo
HR (95% CI): 0.69 (0.55, 0.87)

**OS IN CHEMO-IO VS. IO-ONLY ARMS OF
RANDOMIZED TRIALS SUPPORTING APPROVAL IN
1L NSCLC, PD-L1 $\geq 50\%$**



Median OS (95% CI), **25.0** (19.0, NE) vs **20.9** (18.5, 23.1) mo
HR (95% CI): 0.82 (0.62, **1.08**)

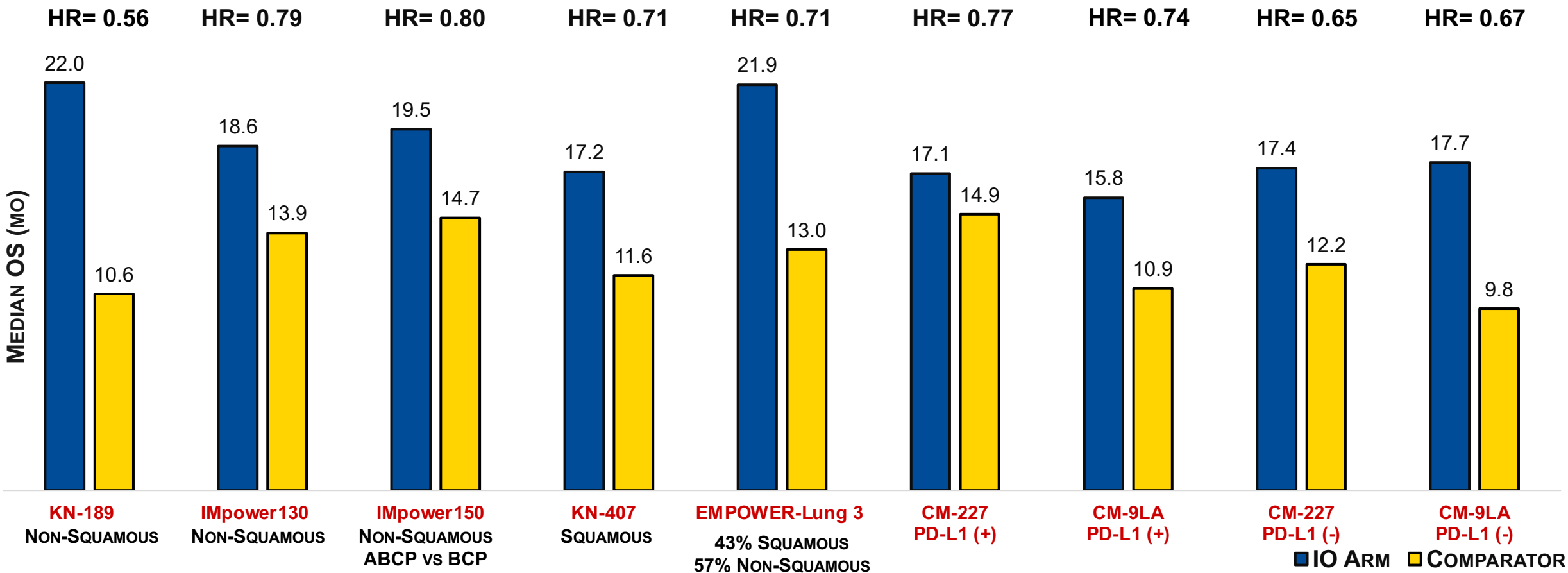
ORR: 61% vs 43%
OR (95% CI): 1.2 (1.1, 1.3)

DEMOGRAPHIC & BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS



		CHEMO-IO (N=455)	IO ALONE (N=1,298)	CHEMO (N=1,436)	OVERALL (N=3,189)
AGE	MEDIAN	65	64	64	64
	<65 YEARS, %	49	53	50	51
	65-75 YEARS, %	41	36	39	38
	≥75 YEARS, %	10	11	11	11
SEX	FEMALE	37	29	31	31
RACE	WHITE, %	91	77	80	80
	BLACK, %	1	1	2	1
	ASIAN, %	8	20	16	16
SMOKING HISTORY	EVER SMOKED, %	87	89	88	89
ECOG PS	≥1, %	59	68	67	66
HISTOLOGY	NON-SQUAMOUS, %	78	69	68	70

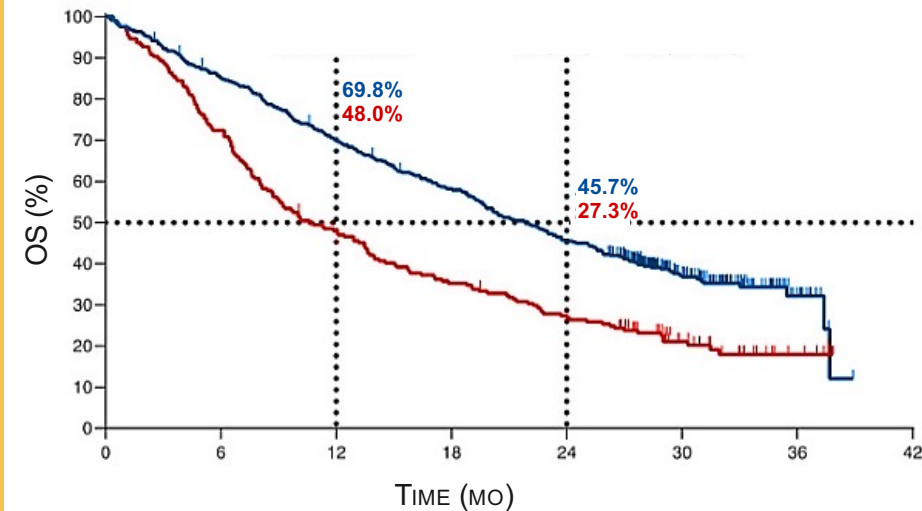
COMBINATION THERAPIES: MEDIAN OS



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IMPACT OF PD-L1 IN CHEMO-IO: KN-189

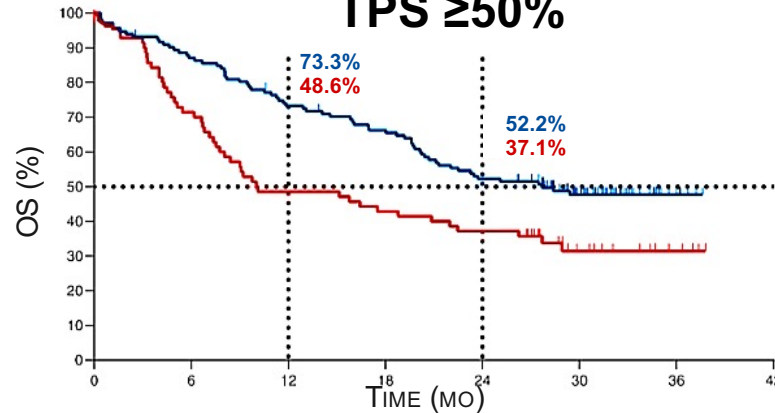
ITT POPULATION



Median OS(95% CI): **22.0** vs **10.6** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.56** (0.46, 0.69)

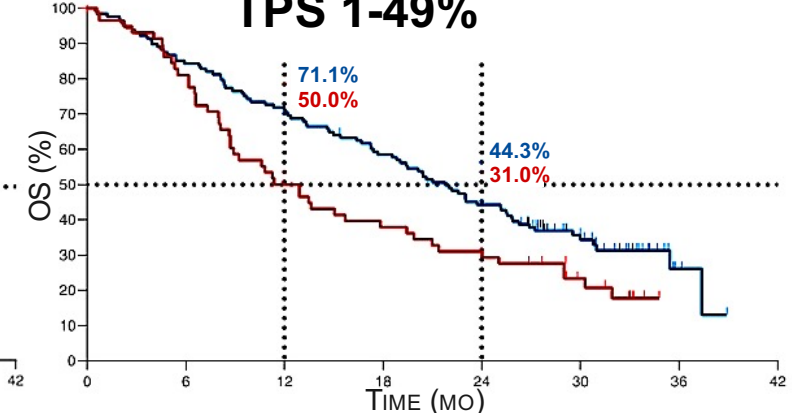
—+— PEMBROLIZUMAB + CHEMOTHERAPY
—+— CHEMOTHERAPY

TPS ≥50%



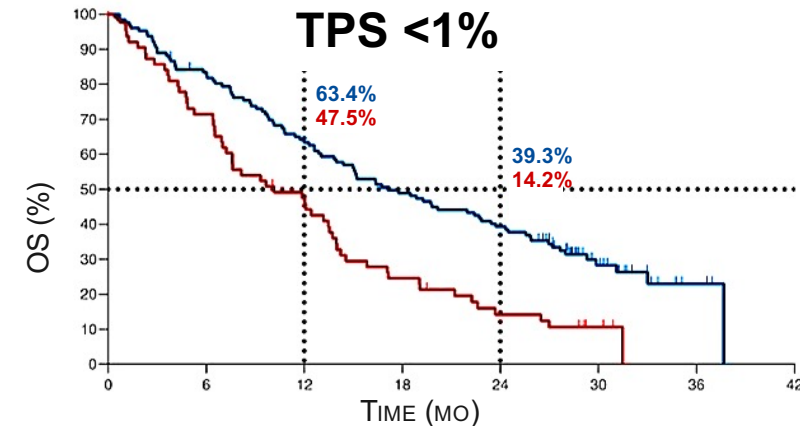
Median OS (95% CI): **27.1** vs **10.01** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.59** (0.40, 0.86)

TPS 1-49%



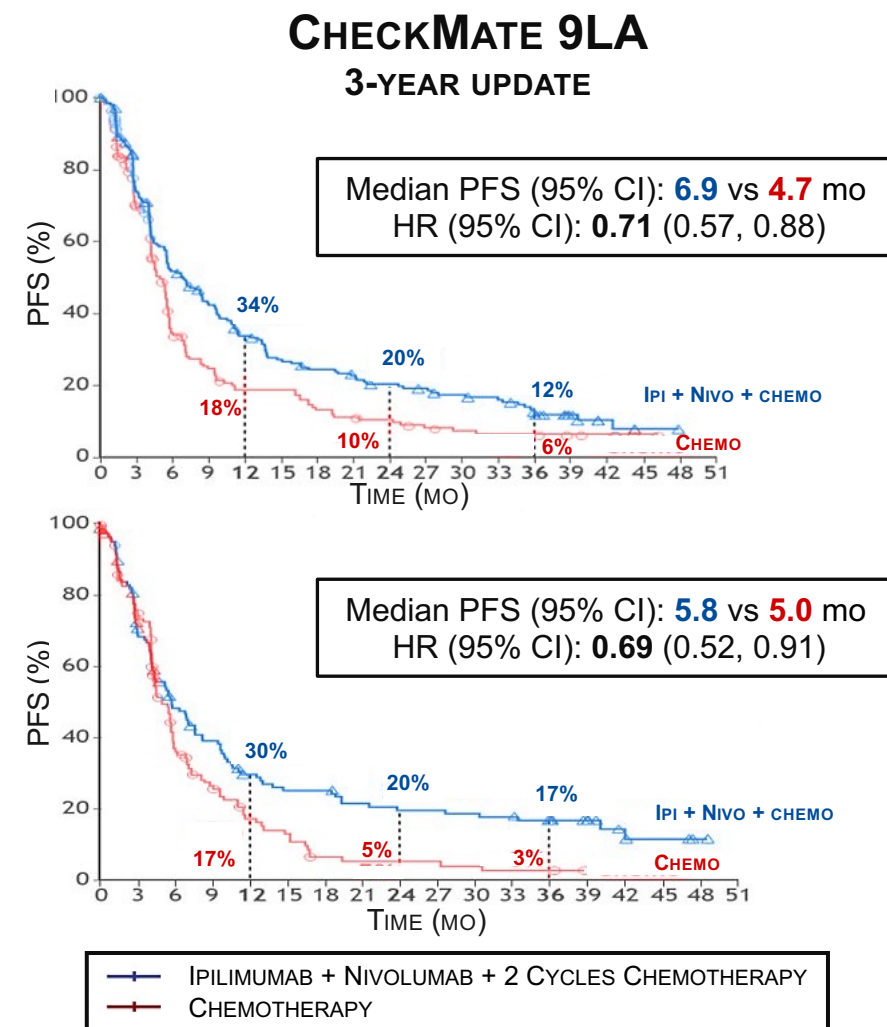
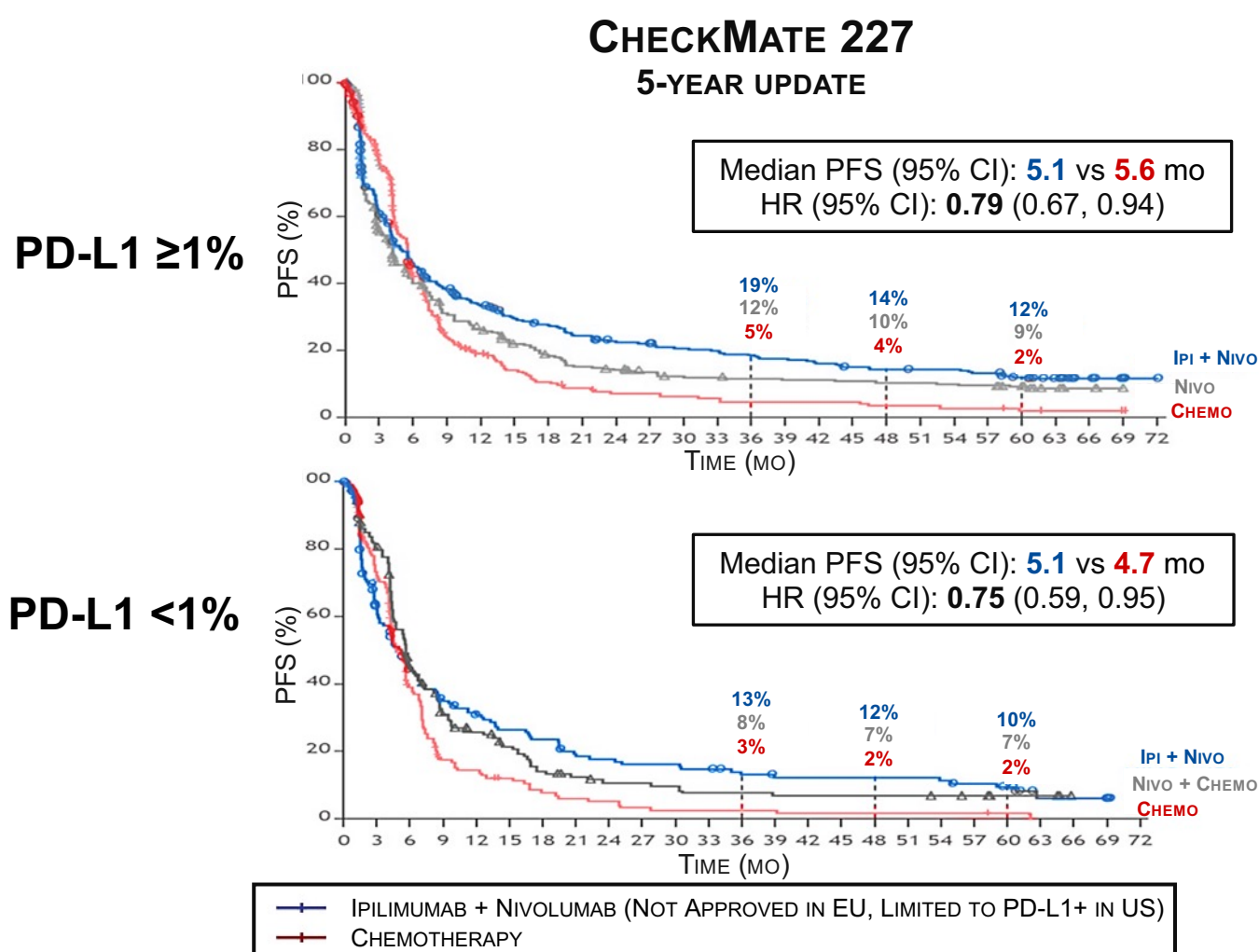
Median OS (95% CI): **21.8** vs **12.1** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.66** (0.46, 0.96)

TPS <1%

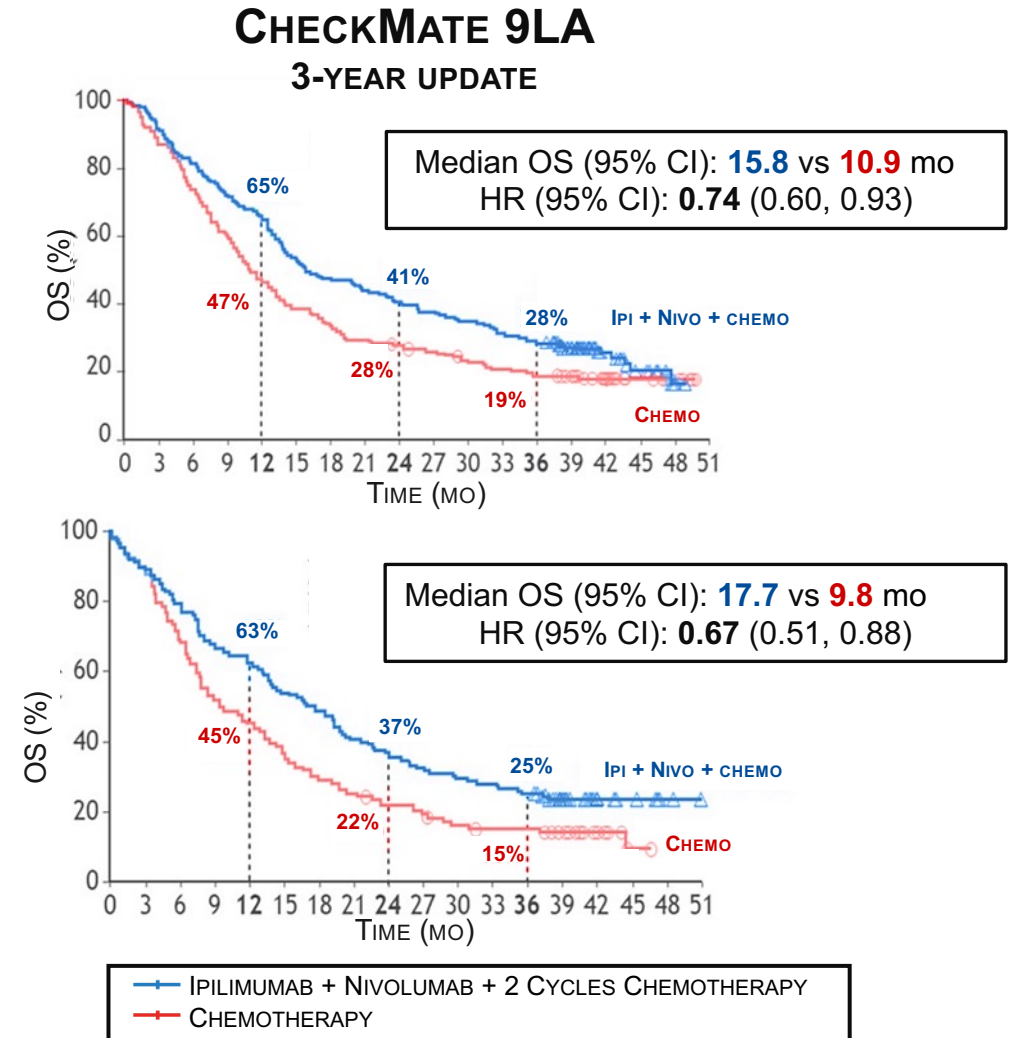
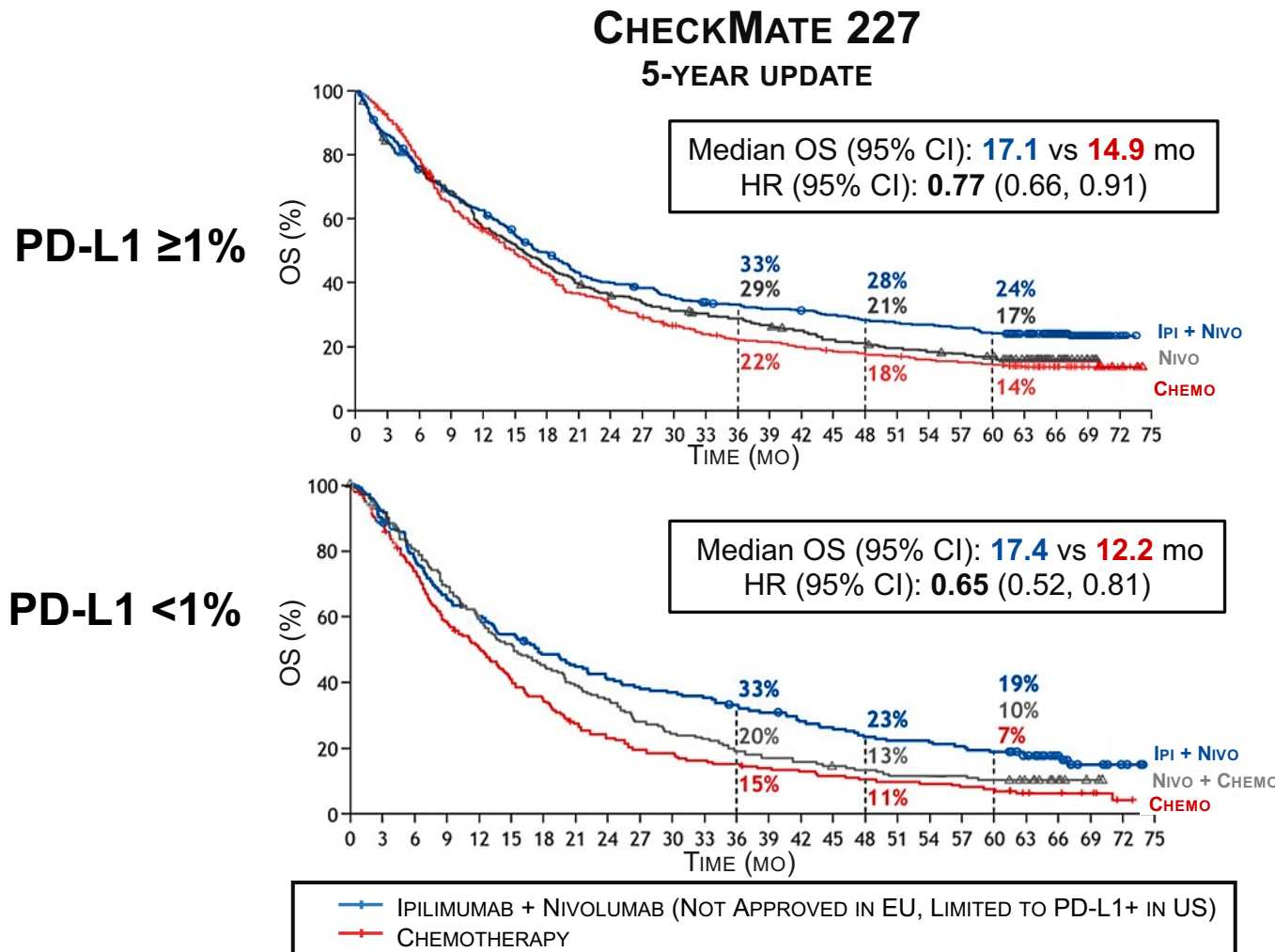


Median OS (95% CI): **17.2** vs **10.2** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.51** (0.36, 0.71)

CHECKMATE 227 vs CHECKMATE 9LA: PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL

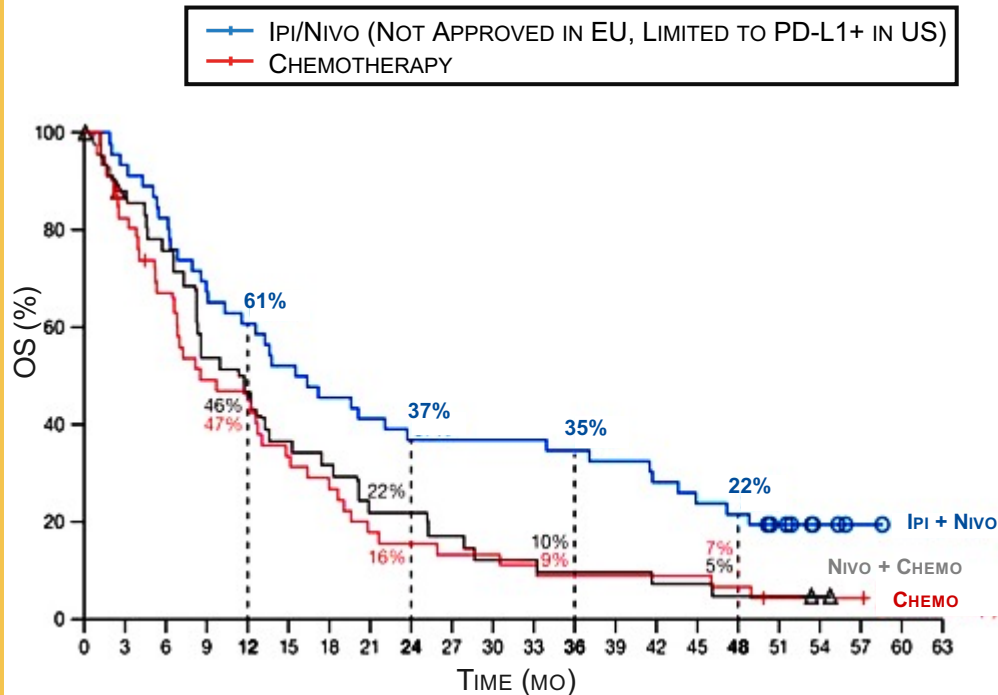


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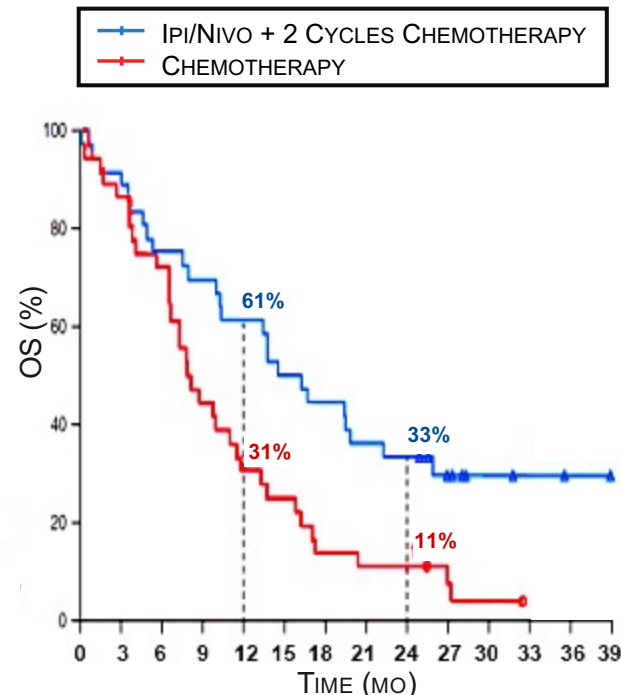


SQUAMOUS HISTOLOGY AND PD-L1 <1%

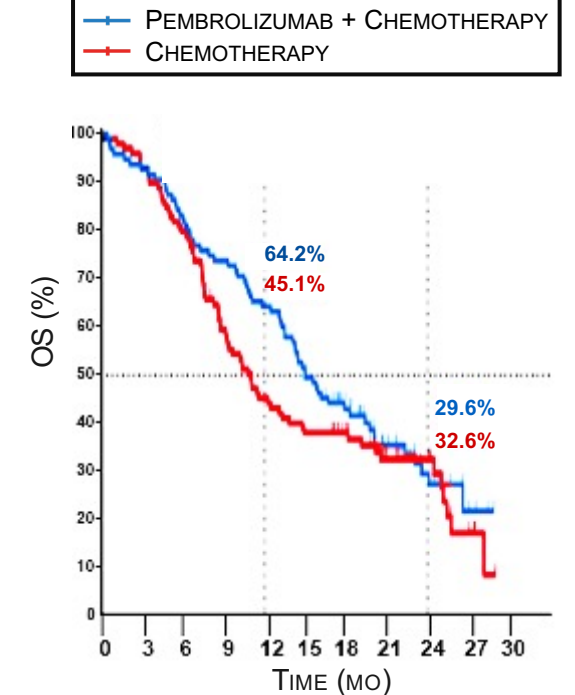
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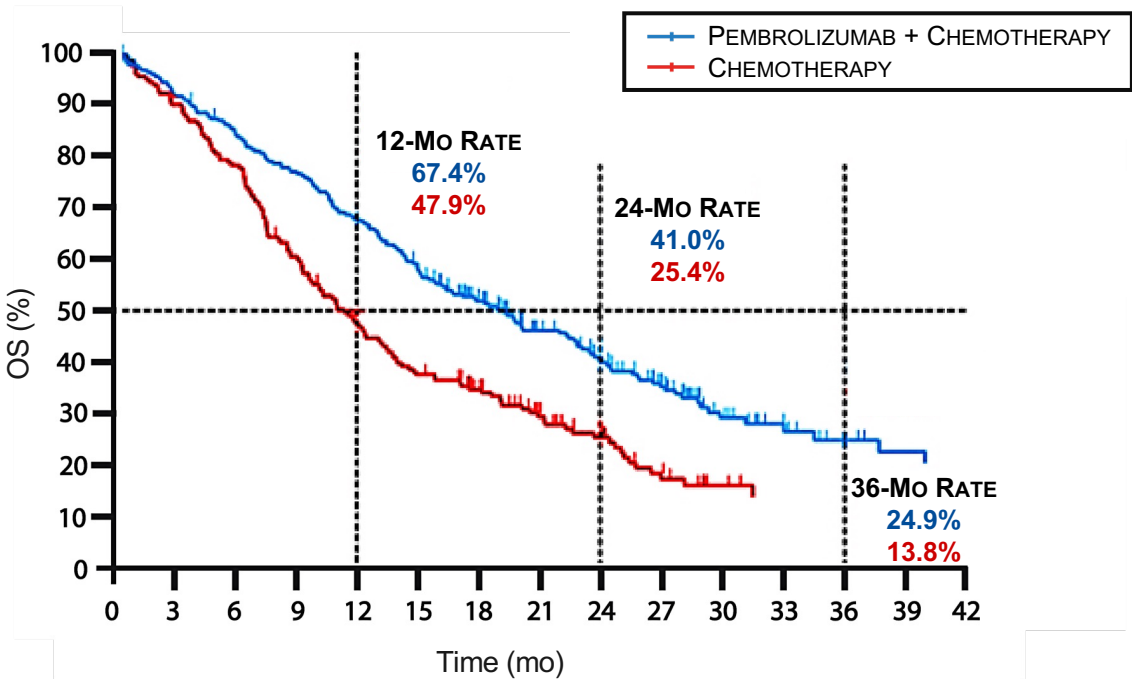
KEYNOTE-407



POOLED ANALYSIS: KN-021, -189, -407

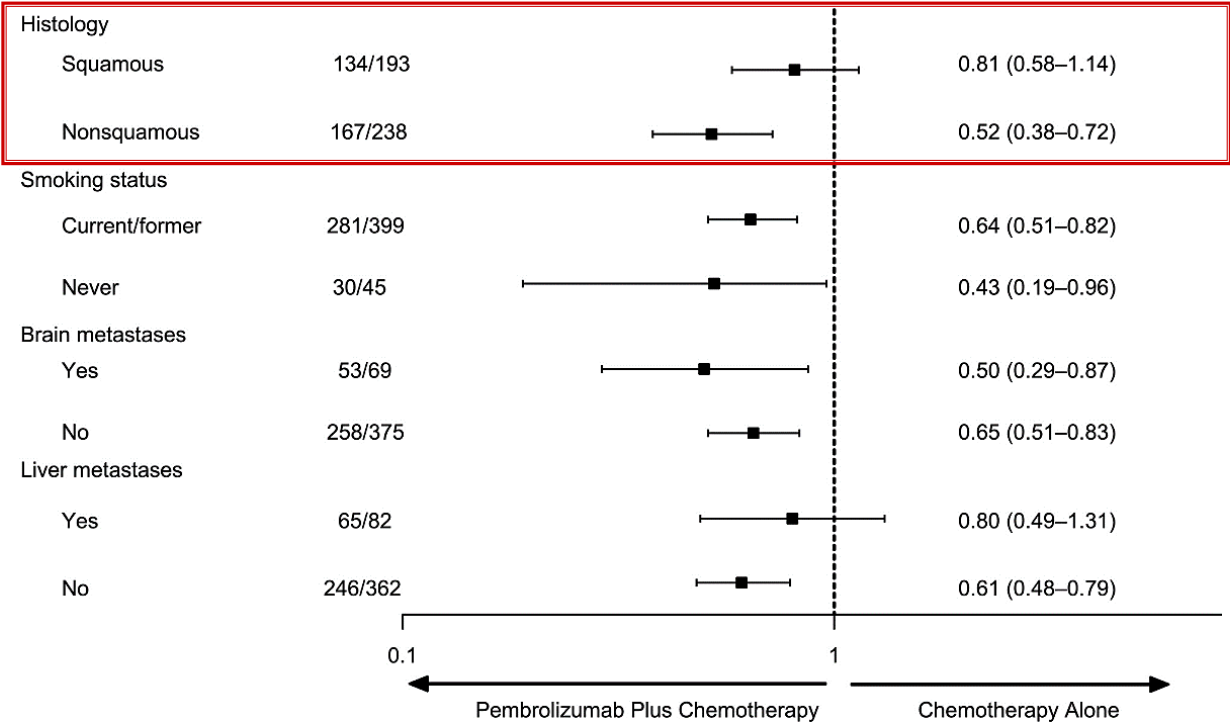


OS, PD-L1 (TPS) <1%



Median OS (95% CI), **19.0** vs **11.4** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.63** (0.50, 0.79)

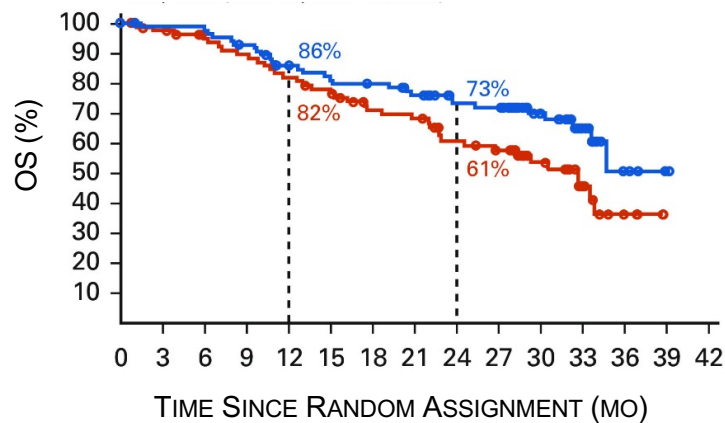
SUBGROUP ANALYSIS



OPTIMAL DURATION OF THERAPY

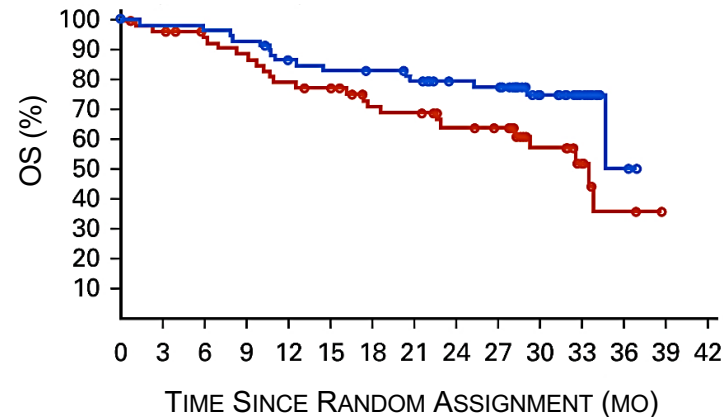
INSIGHTS FROM CHECKMATE 153 (2L NIVOLUMAB)

OS IN THE PFS POPULATION



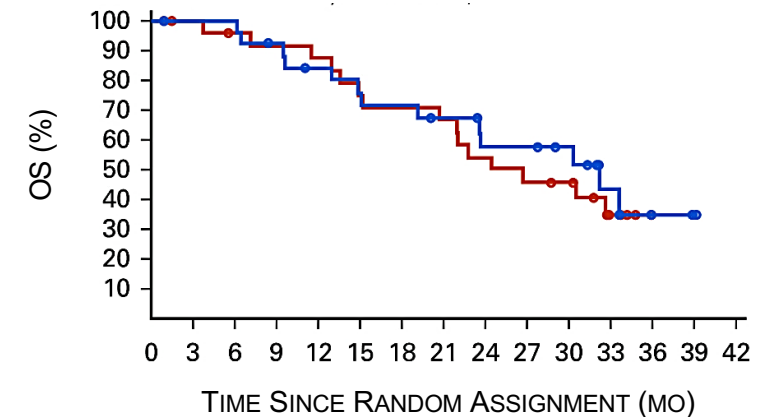
mOS (95% CI), **NR (33.6, NR)** vs **32.5 (22.9, NR)** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.61 (0.37, 0.99)**

OS IN THE CR/PR POPULATION



mOS (95% CI), **NR (34.7, NR)** vs **33.5 (22.9, NR)** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.50 (0.26, 0.97)**

OS IN THE SD POPULATION



mOS (95% CI), **32.2 (15.1, NR)** vs **26.6 (15.2, NR)** mo
HR (95% CI): **0.88 (0.42, 1.84)**

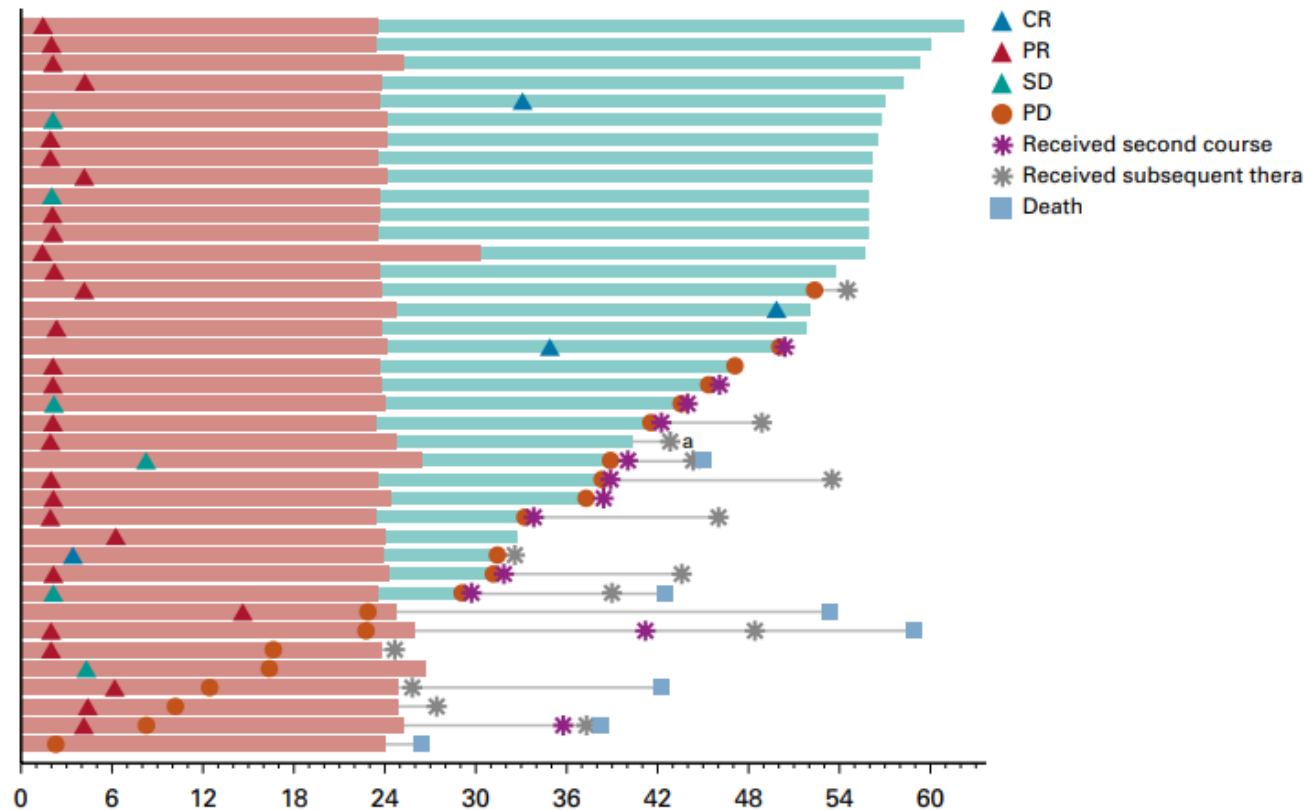
—+— **CONTINUOUS**
—+— **1 Y FIXED DURATION***

*Optional retreatment allowed at PD

KEYNOTE-024: 2 YEARS OF PEMBROLIZUMAB. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



TREATMENT DURATION AND TIME TO RESPONSE IN PATIENTS COMPLETING 35 CYCLES



OUTCOME	n=39
3-YEAR OS RATE FROM 2Y PEMBROLIZUMAB	81%
OBJECTIVE RESPONSE	82.1%
BEST OBJECTIVE RESPONSE	
COMPLETE RESPONSE (CR)	10.3%
PARTIAL RESPONSE (PR)	71.8%
STABLE DISEASE (SD)	15.4%
PROGRESSIVE DISEASE (PD)	2.6%

AT CUT-OFF, 46.2% OF PATIENTS WERE ALIVE WITHOUT PD OR SUBSEQUENT THERAPY

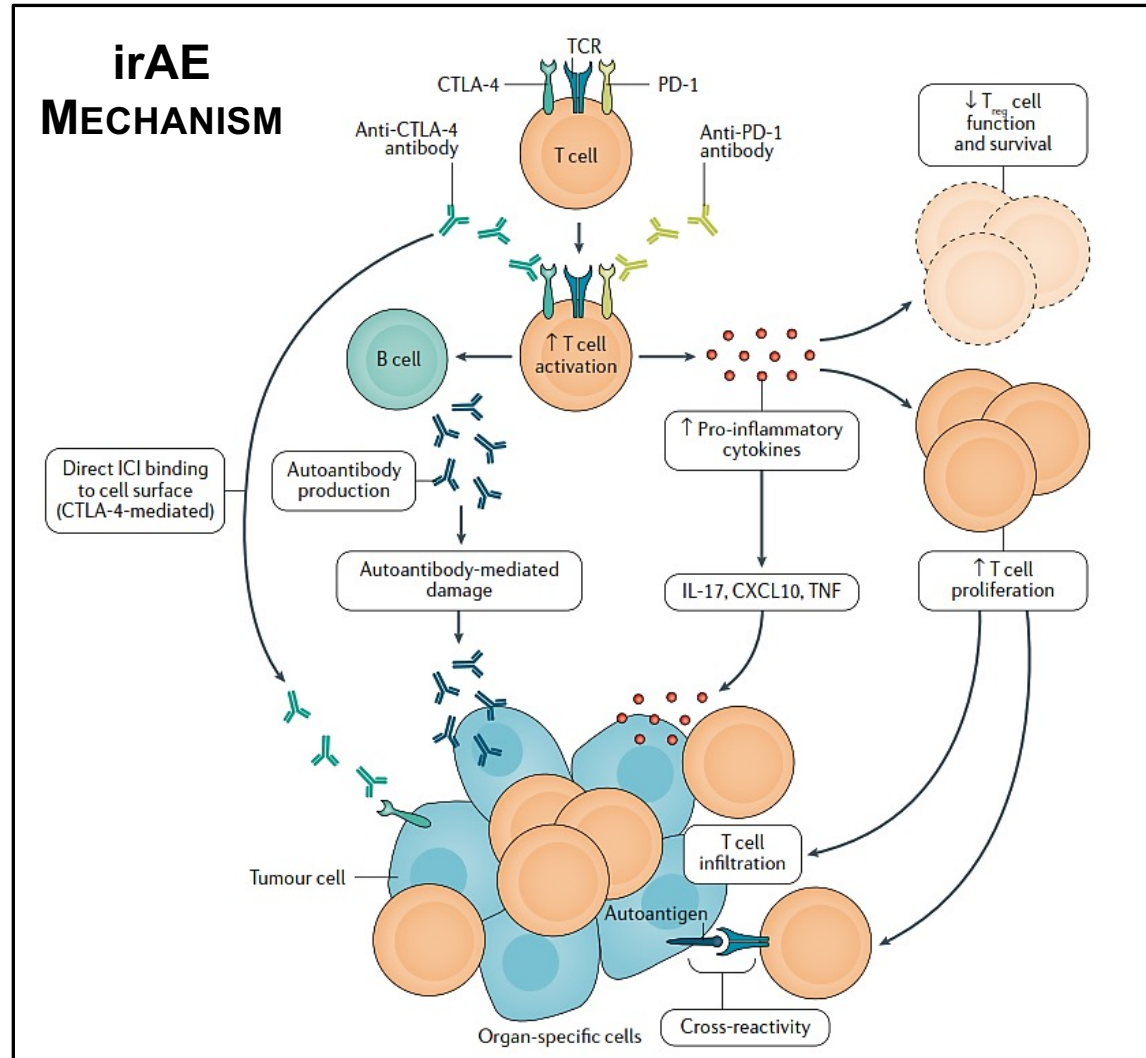
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MANAGING IMMUNOTHERAPY- RELATED ADVERSE EVENTS IN NSCLC

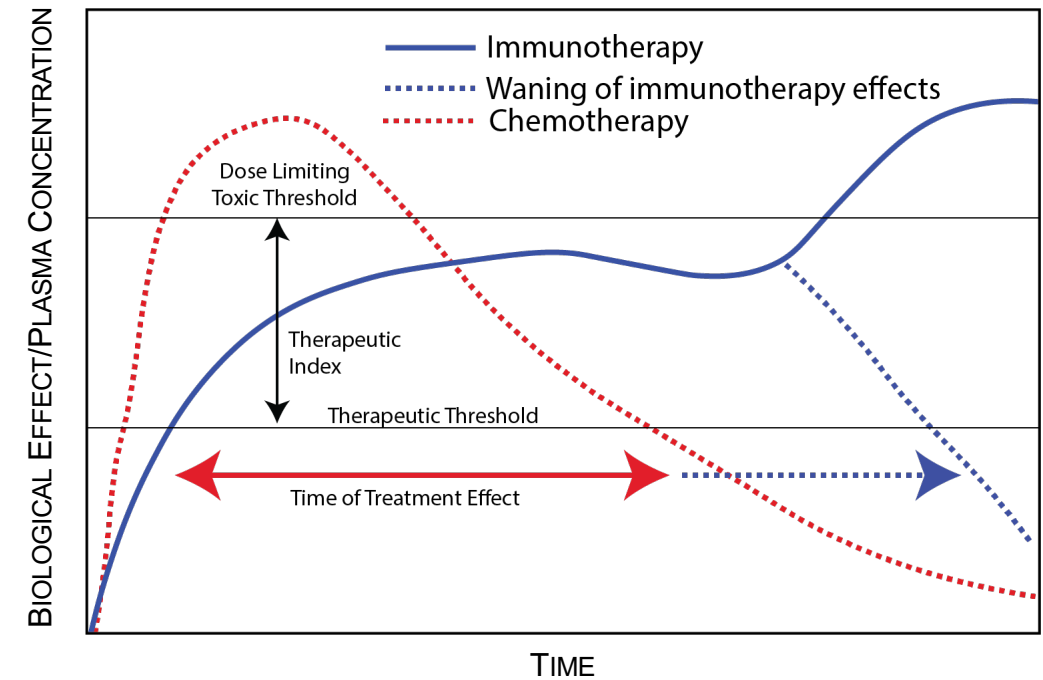
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CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS: USING THE IMMUNE SYSTEM TO TARGET CANCER CELLS

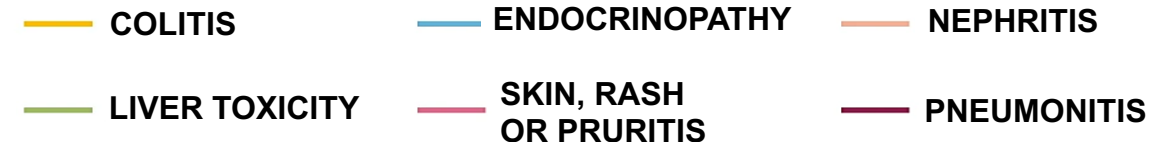
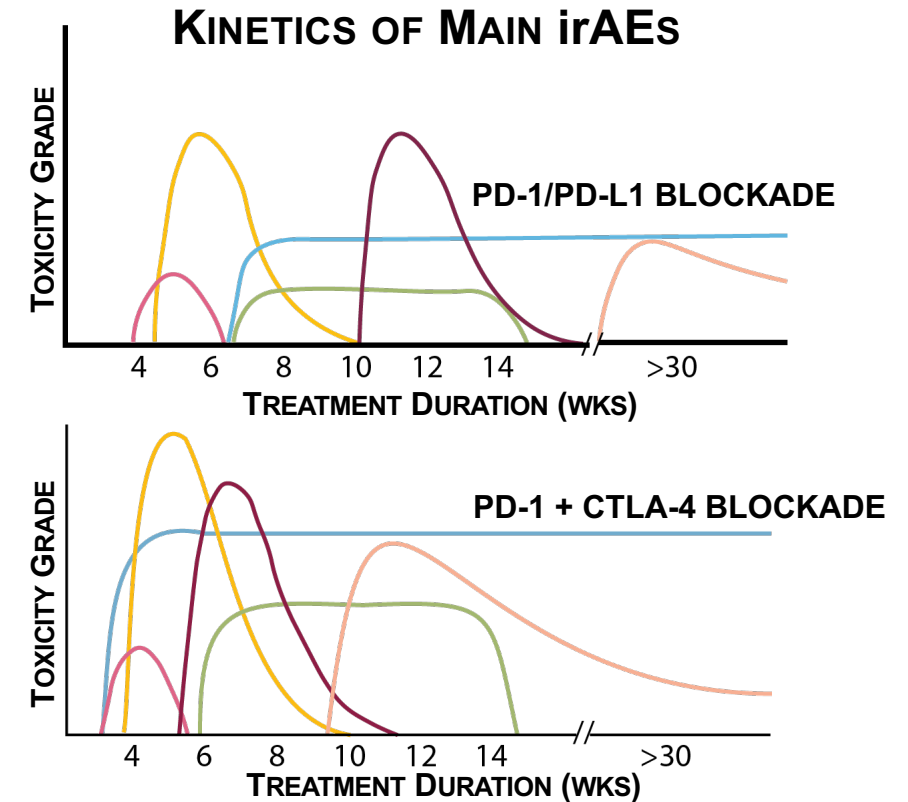
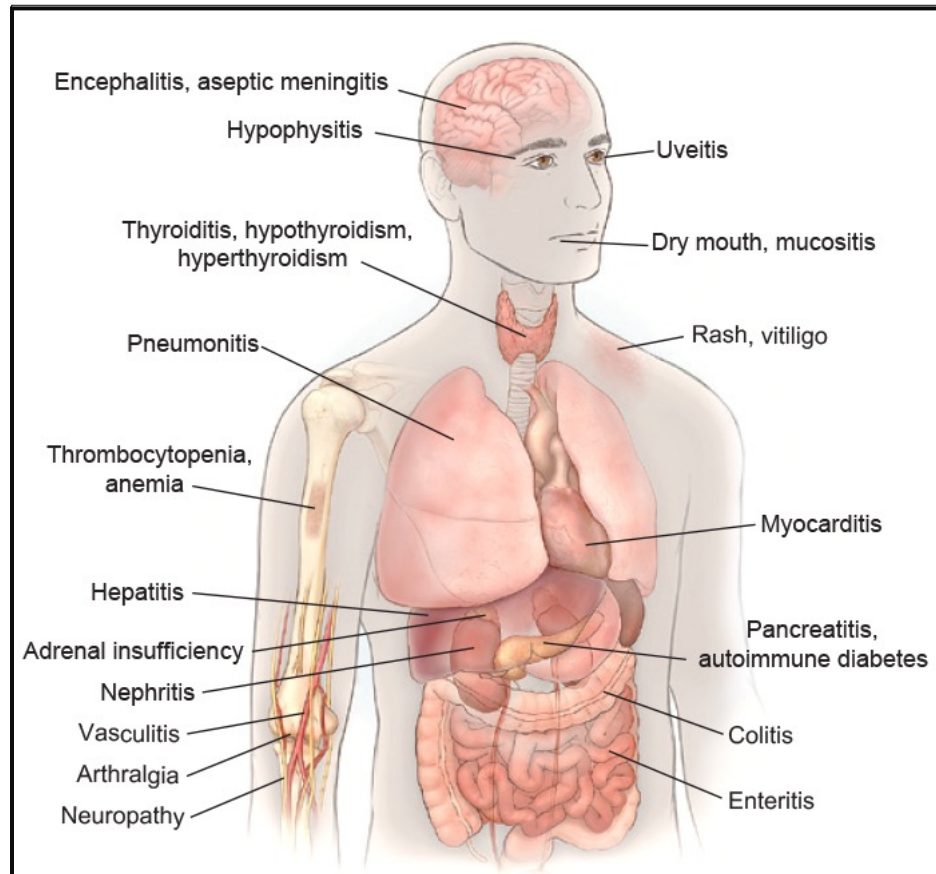


PHARMACOKINETIC/DYNAMIC DIFFERENCES: IMMUNOTHERAPY VS CHEMOTHERAPY



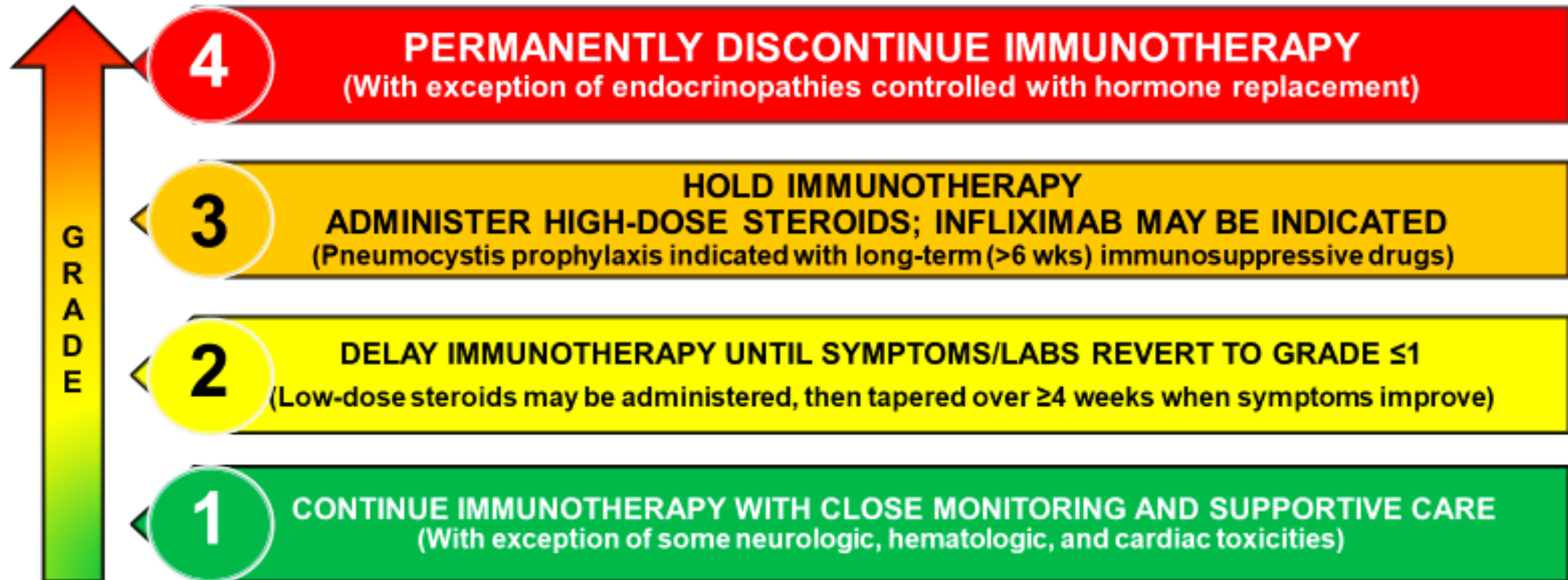
TOXICITY: ANY TIME, ANY ORGAN

IMMUNE-RELATED ADVERSE EVENTS (irAEs) CAN AFFECT ANY ORGAN(S)

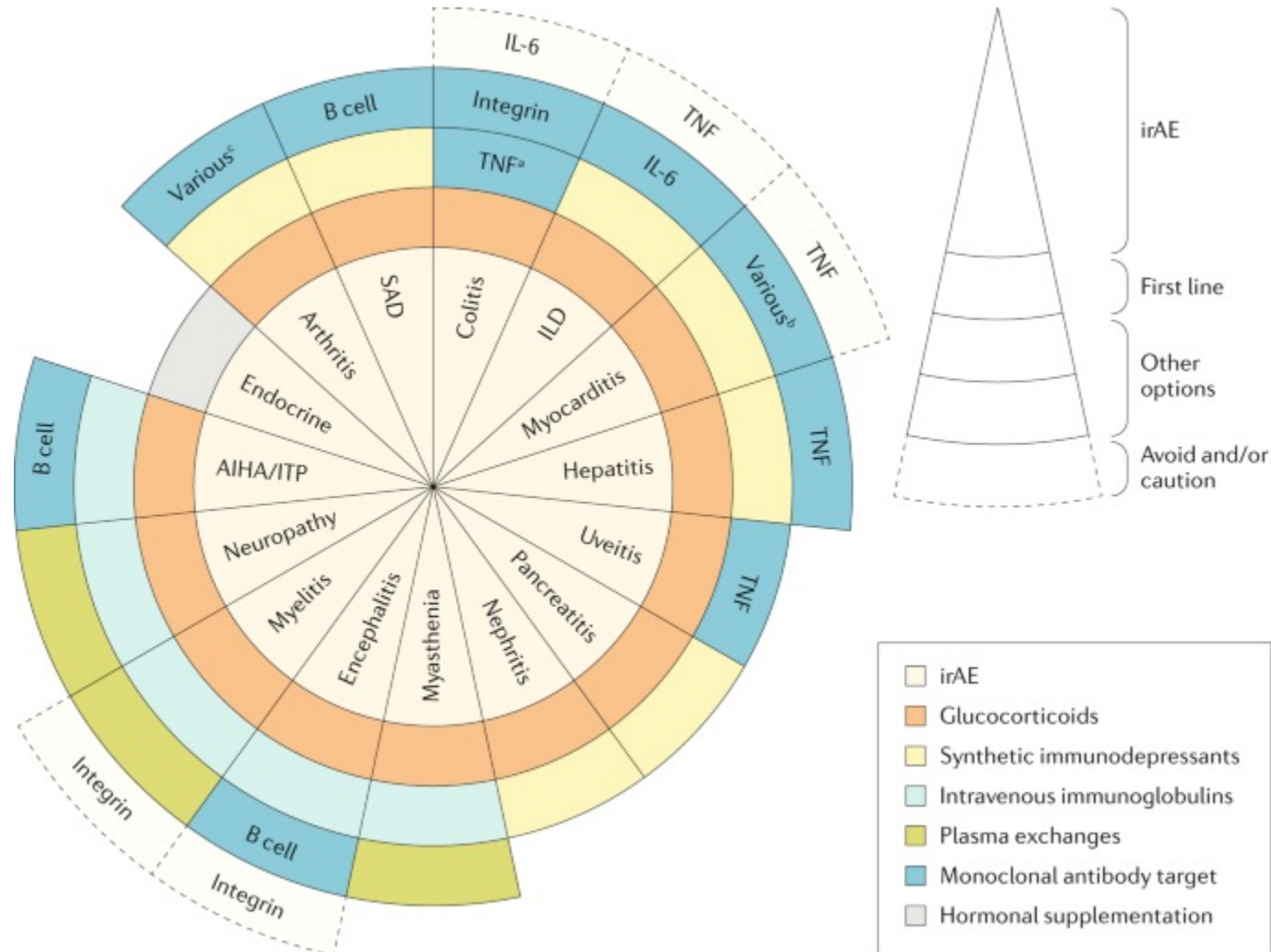


IMMUNE-RELATED TOXICITY: GENERAL MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES

- ✓ Always suspect an irAE
- ✓ Rule out competing diagnoses (infection, progression)
- ✓ Treat early to avoid complications
- ✓ Identify the toxicity (eg, diarrhea vs. colitis)
- ✓ Grade the toxicity via CTCAE
- ✓ Consult a specialist



THERAPEUTIC ALGORITHM FOR ORGAN-SPECIFIC irAE MANAGEMENT

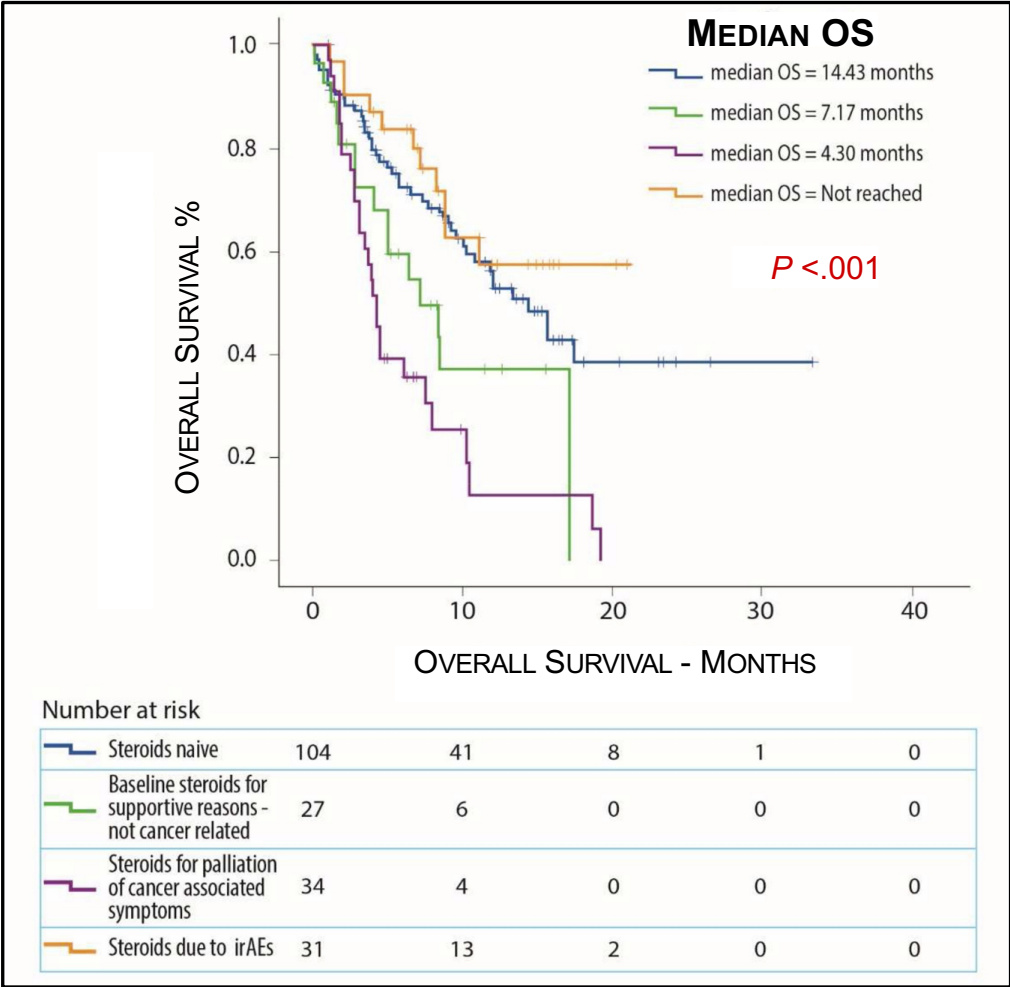
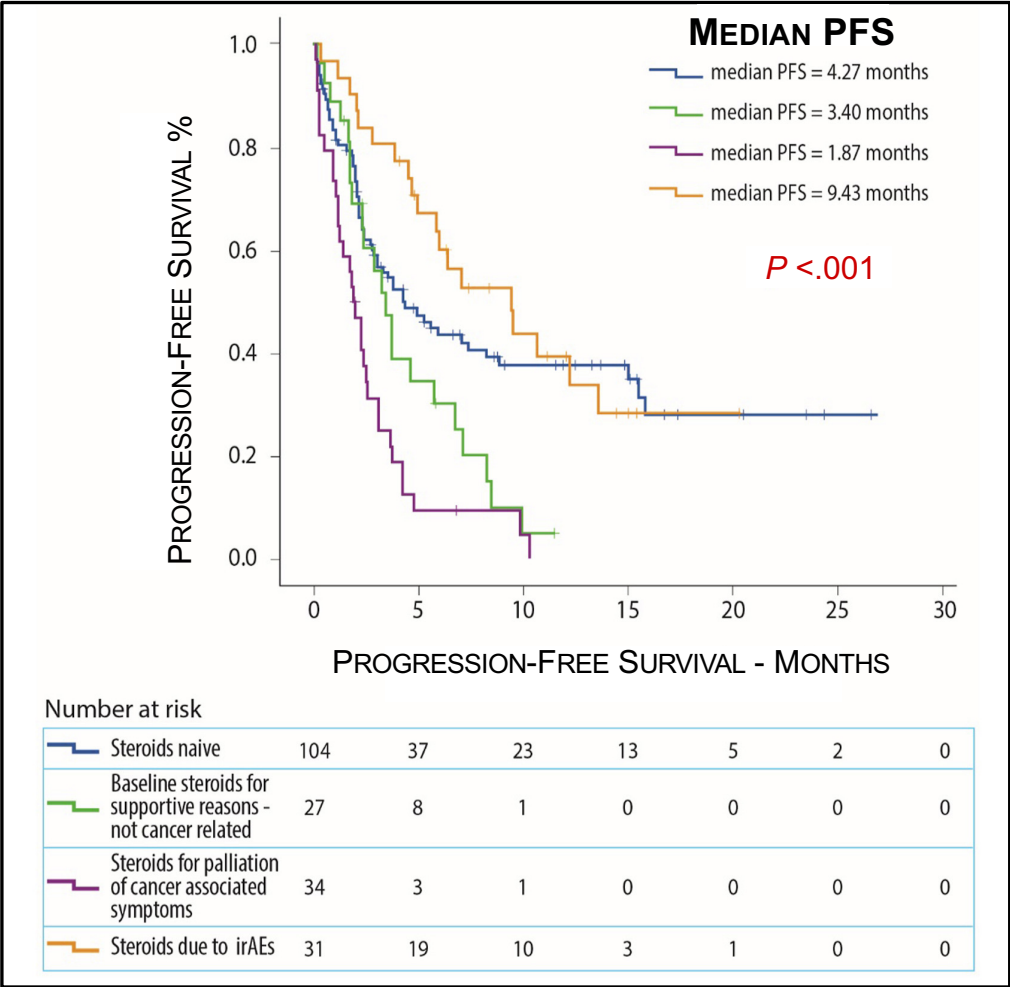


^a Avoid etanercept owing to the risk of autoimmune inflammatory colitis.

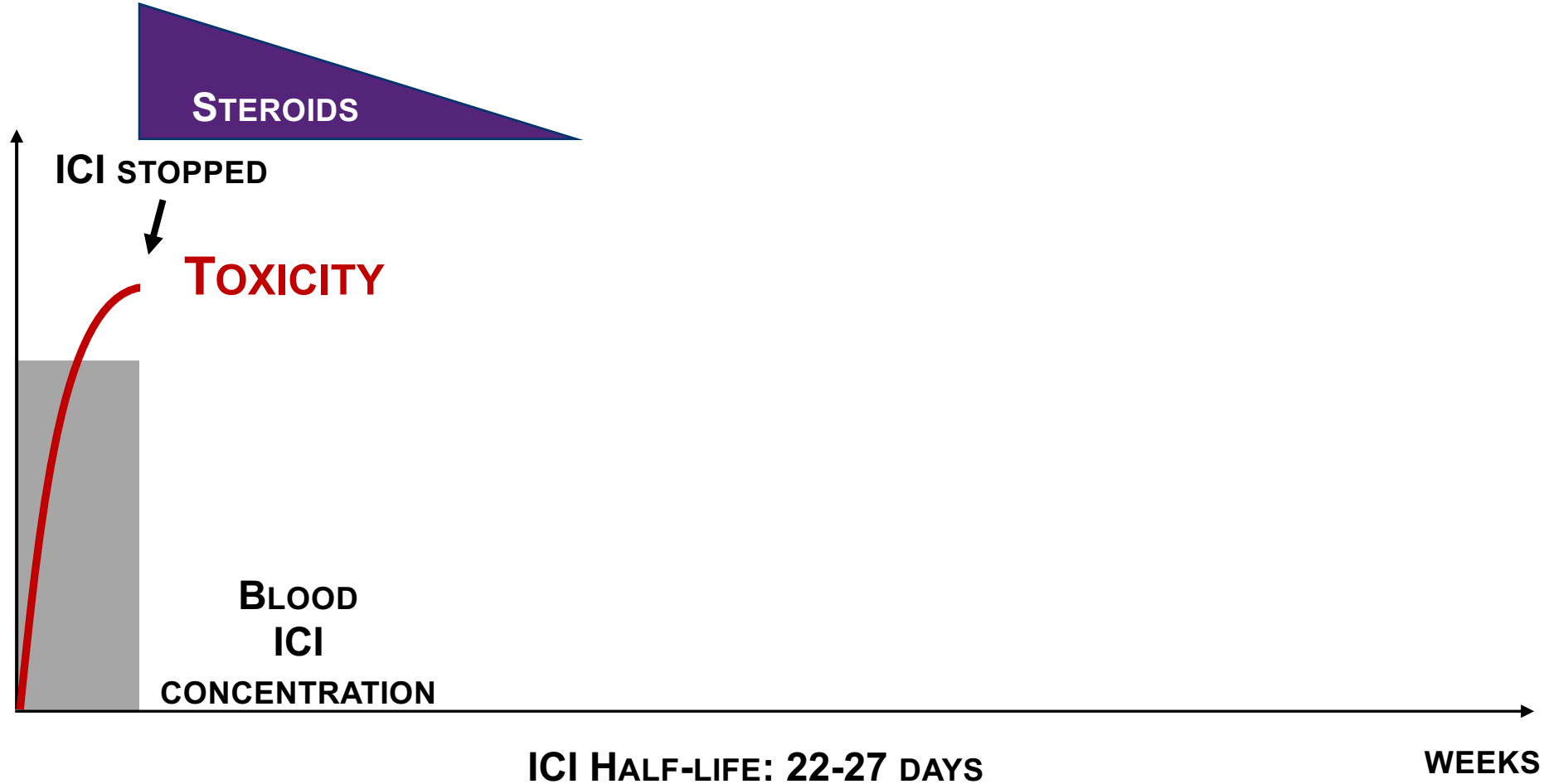
^b Consider abatacept or alemtuzumab.

^c Consider infliximab or tocilizumab.

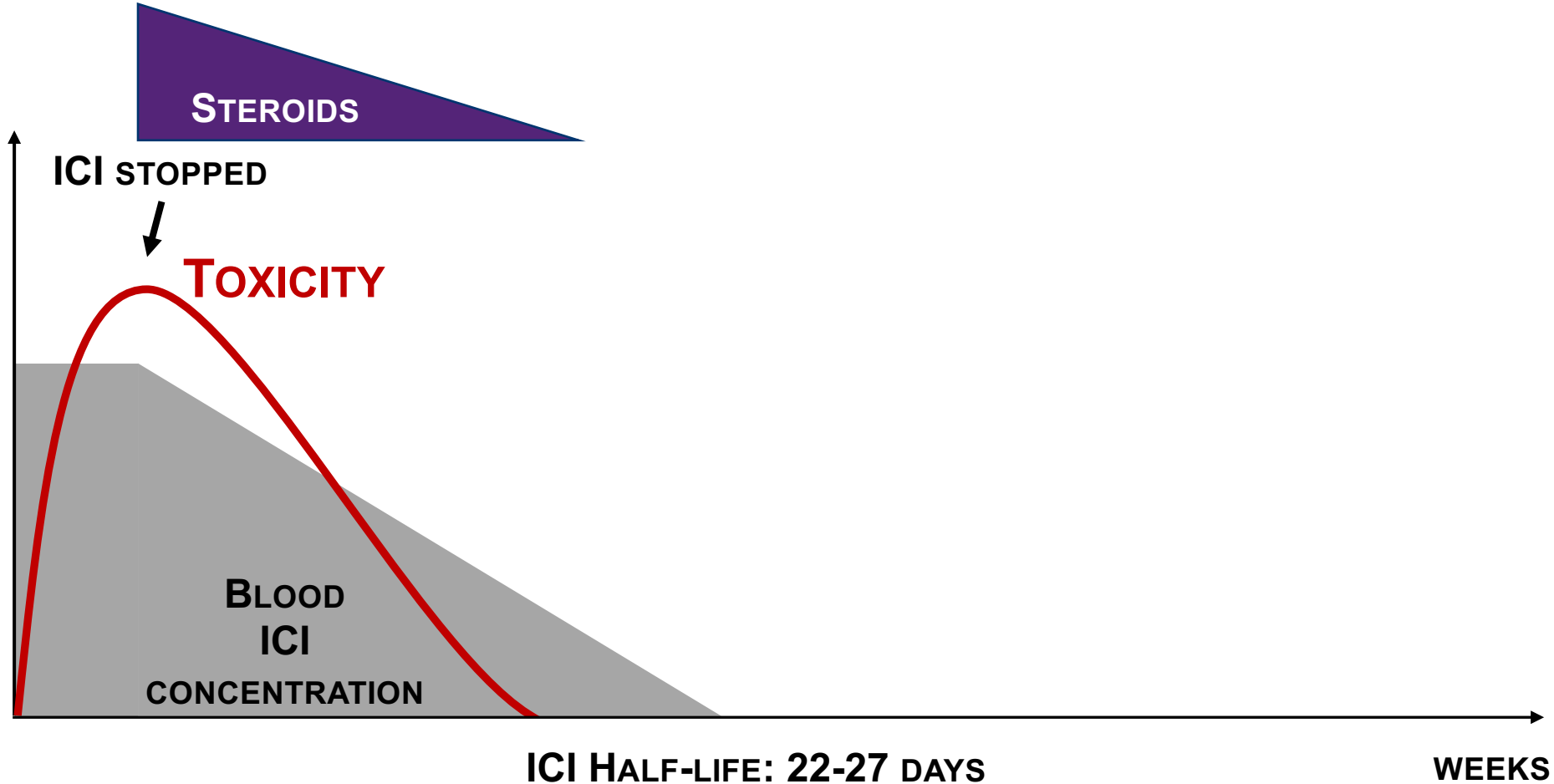
CORTICOSTEROIDS: NO NEGATIVE IMPACT WHEN USED FOR irAEs



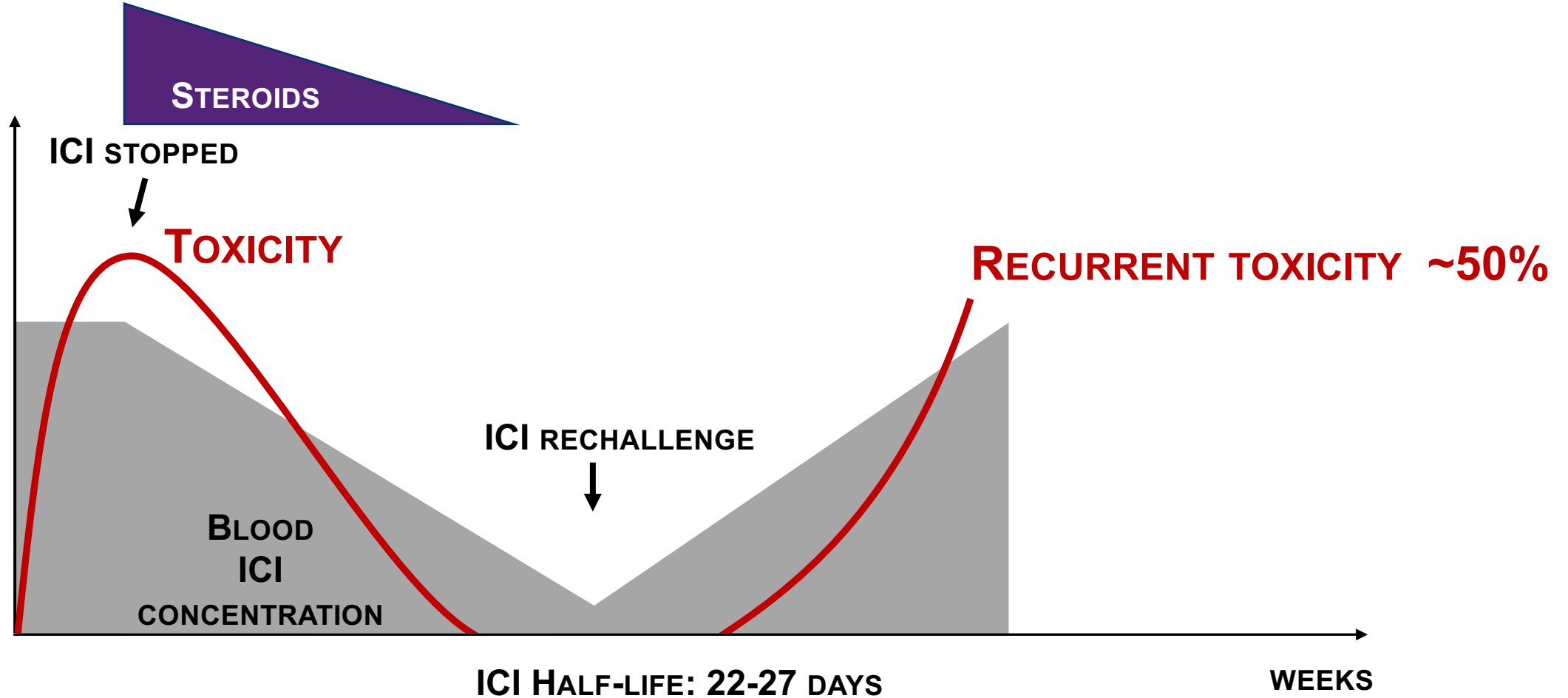
TOXICITIES AND ICI HALF-LIFE



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IMMUNE-RELATED DERMATOLOGIC IRAEs

Grading and treatment:

- Grade 1: <10% BSA; Grade 2: 10-30% BSA
 - Grade 1-2: Topical corticosteroid cream ± oral or topical antihistamines for itch; continue immunotherapy
- Grade 3: >30% BSA or Grade 2 with substantial symptoms; Grade 4: Skin sloughing >30% BSA with associated symptoms
 - Grade 3-4: High-dose corticosteroids + topical interventions; hold/discontinue ICI. Workup should include dermatology referral and biopsy.
- Grade ≥2 events may recur after steroid taper. A dermatologic consultation or use of steroid-sparing agent is recommended.
 - Urticaria/pruritis: omalizumab
 - Eczema: dupilumab
 - Pemphigus, bullous pemphigoid: rituximab
 - Lichenoid rash: infliximab

GRADE 2 RASH
AFTER 6 WEEKS OF PEMBROLIZUMAB

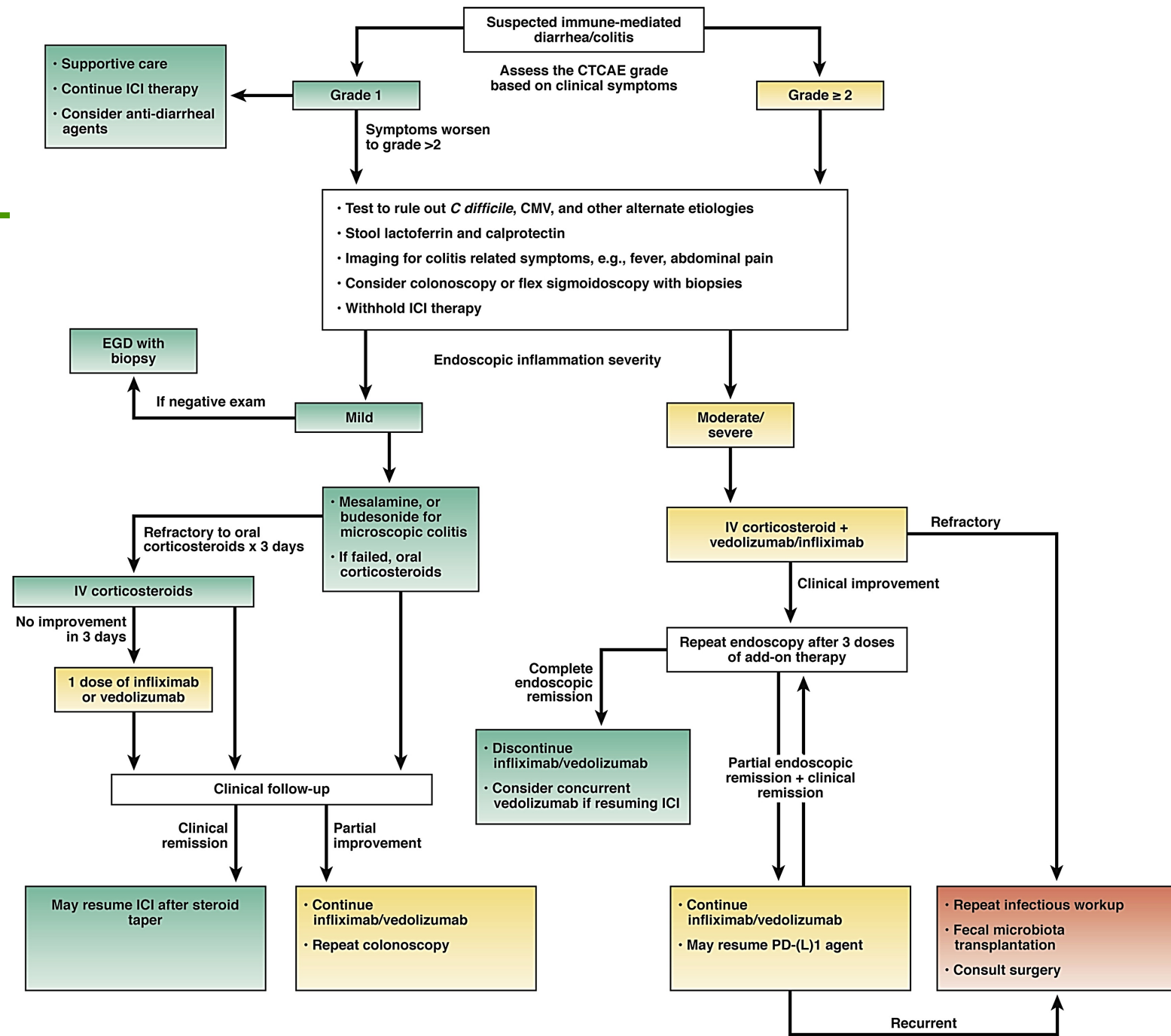


GRADE 3 RASH
AFTER 2 MONTHS OF PEMBROLIZUMAB



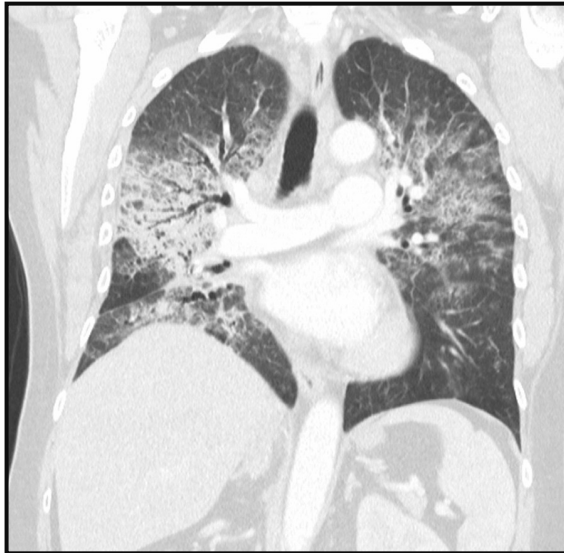
COLITIS

- Common complication with CTLA-4 blockade; less common but similar severity with PD-1 blockade
- Early diagnosis and treatment are key to successful management
- High-dose corticosteroids are the mainstay of treatment
- Grade 1: CBC, CMP, fecal lactoferrin
- Grade ≥ 2 : add tests for fecal calprotectin and stool infectious analysis (stool ova/parasites, *C. difficile* and CMV testing via PCR or among other studies that may include COVID-19).
 - Imaging may be indicated for suspected complications (eg, perforation, toxic megacolon).
 - ICI can be temporarily withheld and rechallenge is possible if symptoms are stable (Grade ≤ 3 or baseline) with <10 mg/day prednisone or equivalent



PNEUMONITIS

- Fairly uncommon, potentially serious
- More common with dual-ICI therapy
- Signs and symptoms:
 - Shortness of breath
 - Dry cough
 - ↓ O2 saturation on room air
 - New/increasing oxygen requirements
 - May be detected just on imaging



SIGNS OF PNEUMONITIS ON CHEST CT

CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF PNEUMONITIS

MILD (GRADE 1)	MODERATE (GRADE 2)	SEVERE (GRADE 3-4)
- Consider holding immunotherapy - Reassess in 1 to 2 weeks - Pulse oximetry (resting and with ambulation) - Consider CT chest ± contrast - Repeat CT in 4 weeks or as clinically indicated for worsening symptoms	- Hold immunotherapy - Consult pulmonary specialist - Rule out infection (nasal swab, sputum, blood culture, urine culture) - Bronchoscopy - Chest CT - Empiric antibiotics if infection not resolved - Prednisone/methylprednisolone 1 to 2 mg/kg/day – monitor every 3 to 7 days	- Permanently discontinue immunotherapy - Inpatient care - Infectious workup - Bronchoscopy - Methylprednisolone 1 to 2 mg/kg/day – assess response within 48 hours and plan to taper over 6 weeks - If not improved after 48 hours, THEN

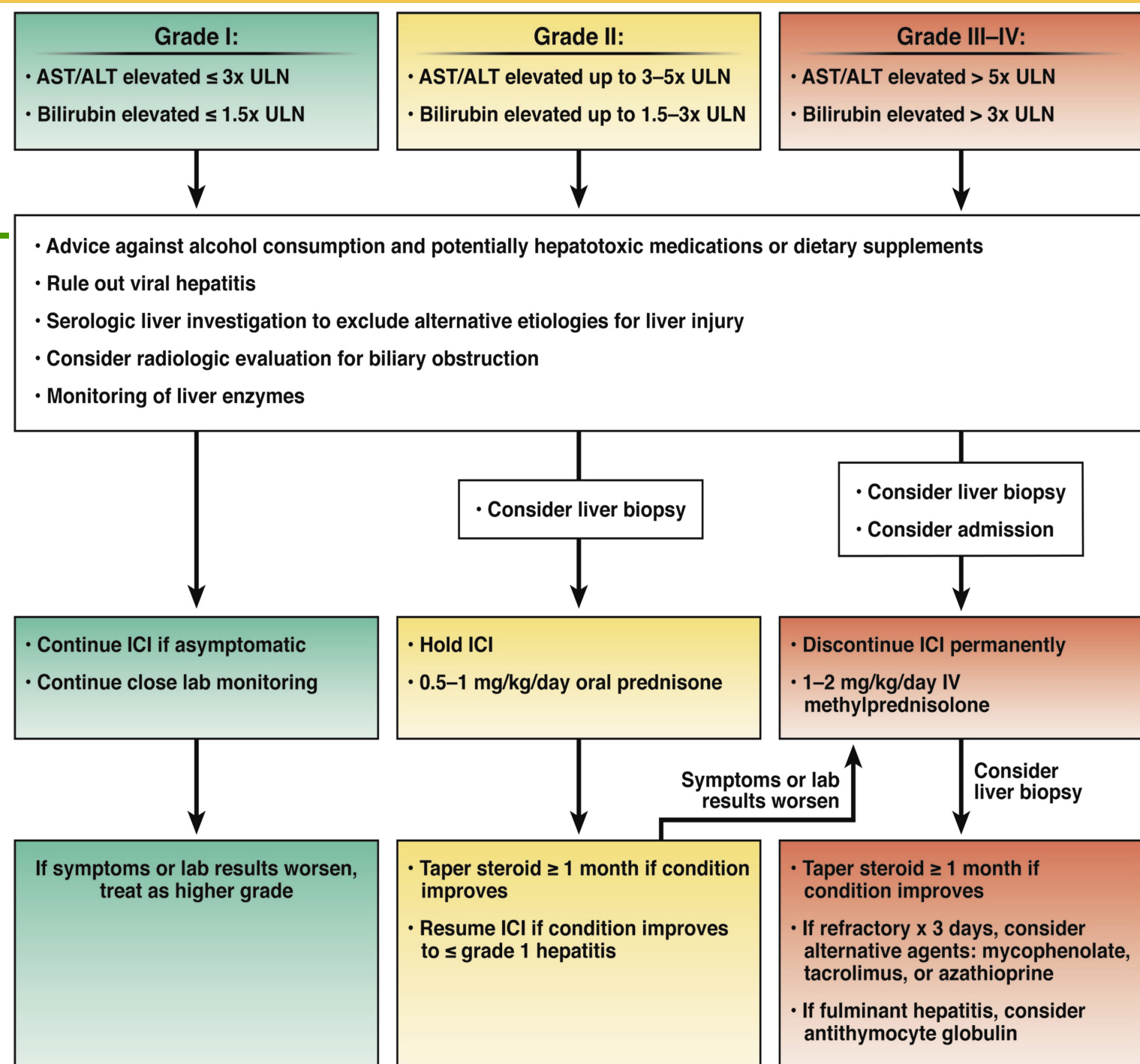


CONSIDER ADDING:

- Infliximab 5 mg/kg IV, 2nd dose may be repeated after 14 days at discretion of provider
- IVIG
- Mycophenolate mofetil 1 to 1.5 g BID then taper in consultation with pulmonary service

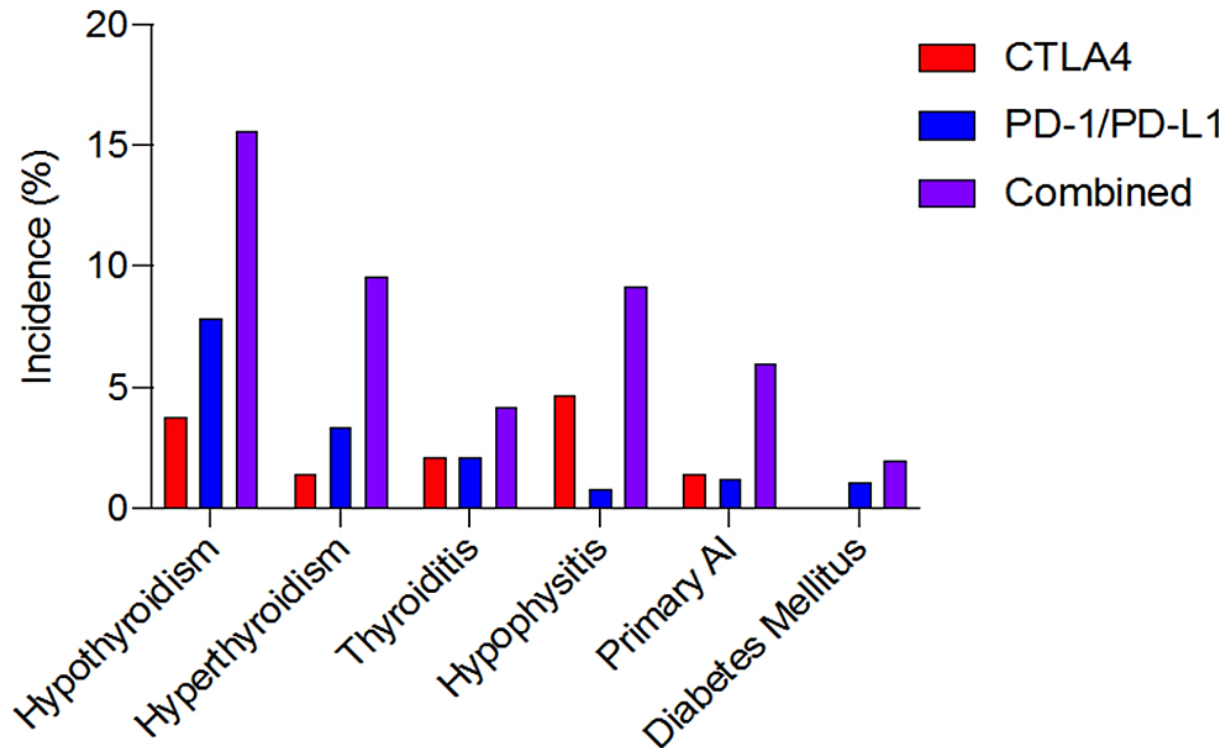
HEPATITIS

- Often asymptomatic
- Evaluate ALT, AST, and other liver enzymes at baseline and periodically during treatment
- Liver function tests (LFTs):
 - Prior to each infusion
 - Weekly for Grade 1-2 liver toxicities
 - Every 1-2 days for Grade ≥ 3 liver toxicity
- Abdominal imaging if:
 - Grade ≥ 3 liver toxicity in patients with preexisting disease
 - Concern for progression/metastasis
- Mycophenolate mofetil if:
 - ALT/AST do not improve to Grade ≤ 1 after 10-14 days of steroids
 - Liver toxicity recurs after steroid tapering
- Liver biopsy if:
 - ALT/AST do not improve to Grade ≤ 1 after 10-14 days of mycophenolate mofetil

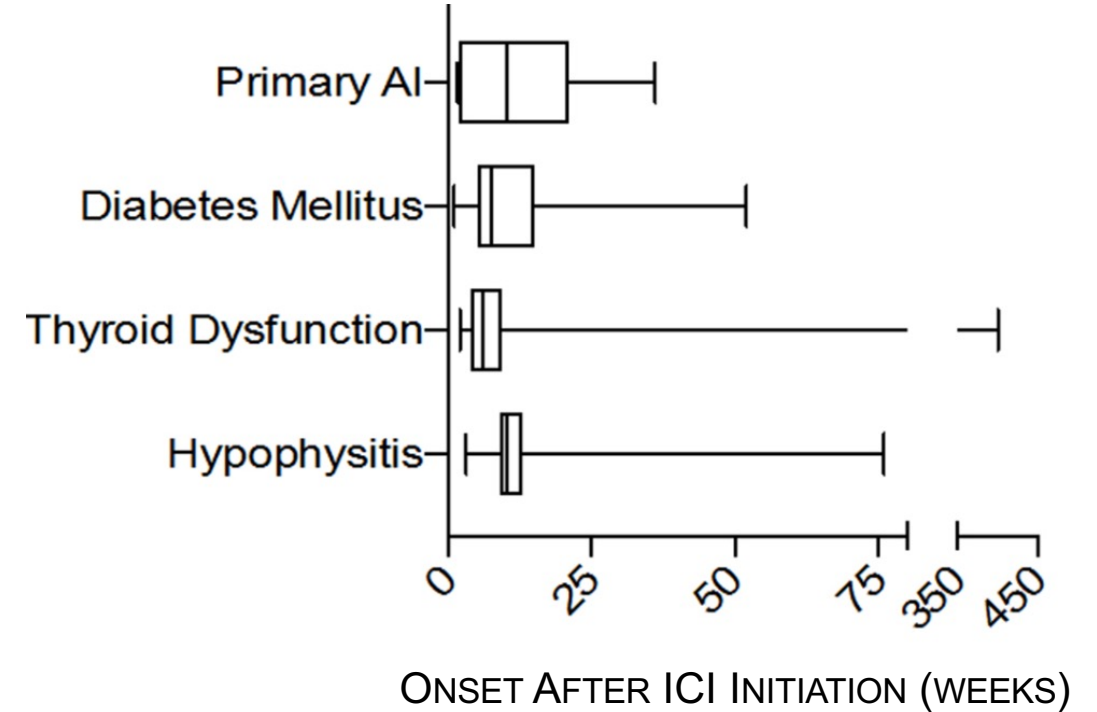


ENDOCRINE TOXICITY

INCIDENCE BY ORGAN AND ICI TYPE



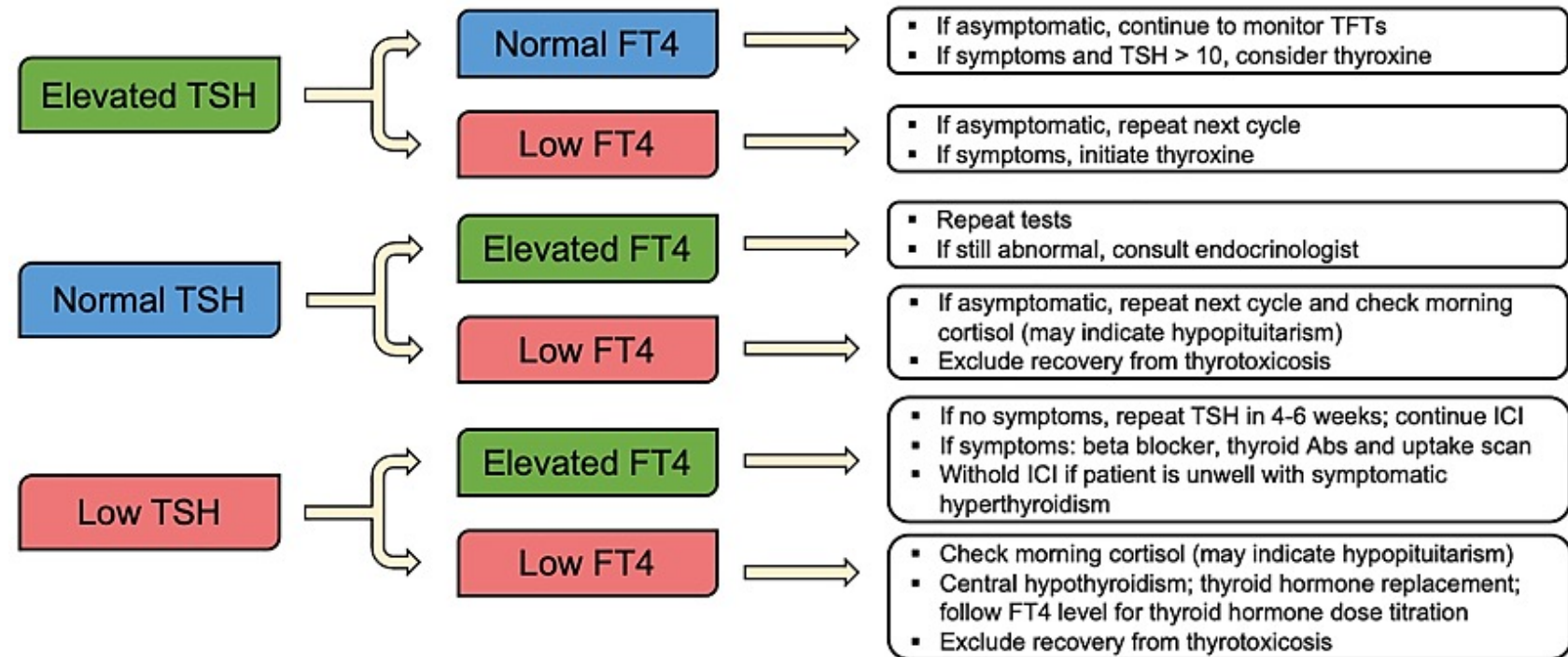
MEDIAN TIME TO ONSET OF ENDOCRINOPATHY



SPOTLIGHT ON HYPO/HYPERTHYROIDISM

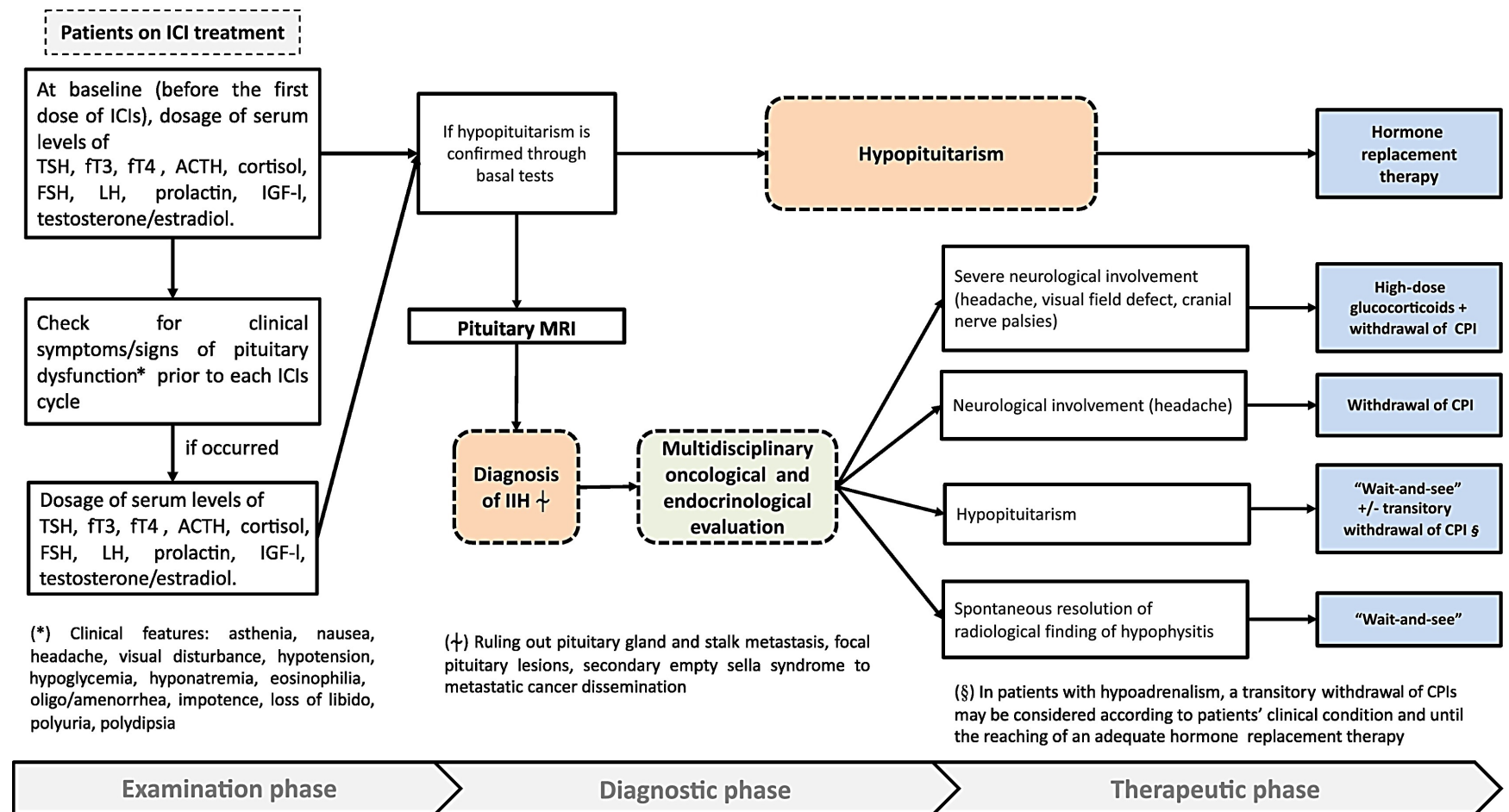
- One of the most common ICI-related endocrinopathies
- May be permanent
- More common with PD-1 vs CTLA-4 inhibitors, and with combination ICI
- Often mild (CTCAE Grades 1-2)
- Mainly consists of hypothyroidism:
 - Fatigue
 - Sensitivity to cold
 - Constipation
 - Weight gain
- Test thyroid function every 4-6 weeks during treatment and every 6-12 months after end of therapy
- Treat with hormone replacement, and continue ICI as soon as patients are stable (often without interruption)
- Does not generally require corticosteroids

CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF THYROID TOXICITIES



SPOTLIGHT ON HYPOPHYSITIS

- Headache, asthenia are the most common onset symptoms
- Secondary adrenal insufficiency is reported in 30-73% of cases
- Test ACTH levels and morning cortisol if TSH is low and fT4 is normal/low
- Low ACTH, low morning cortisol → test for FSH, TSH, fT4, and sex hormones
- Interrupt ICI and administer corticosteroids for acute hypophysitis
- Patients with hypophysitis should receive replacement hydrocortisone 10-12 mg/m²/day



SPOTLIGHT ON DIABETES

- Relatively rare
- Typically occurs after a median of 4 doses but can be delayed >1 year
- Typically occurs as rapid-onset hyperglycemia with a high risk for progressing to diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA) without prompt treatment
- Evaluate patients with hyperglycemia for DKA, hold ICI until DKA is resolved

