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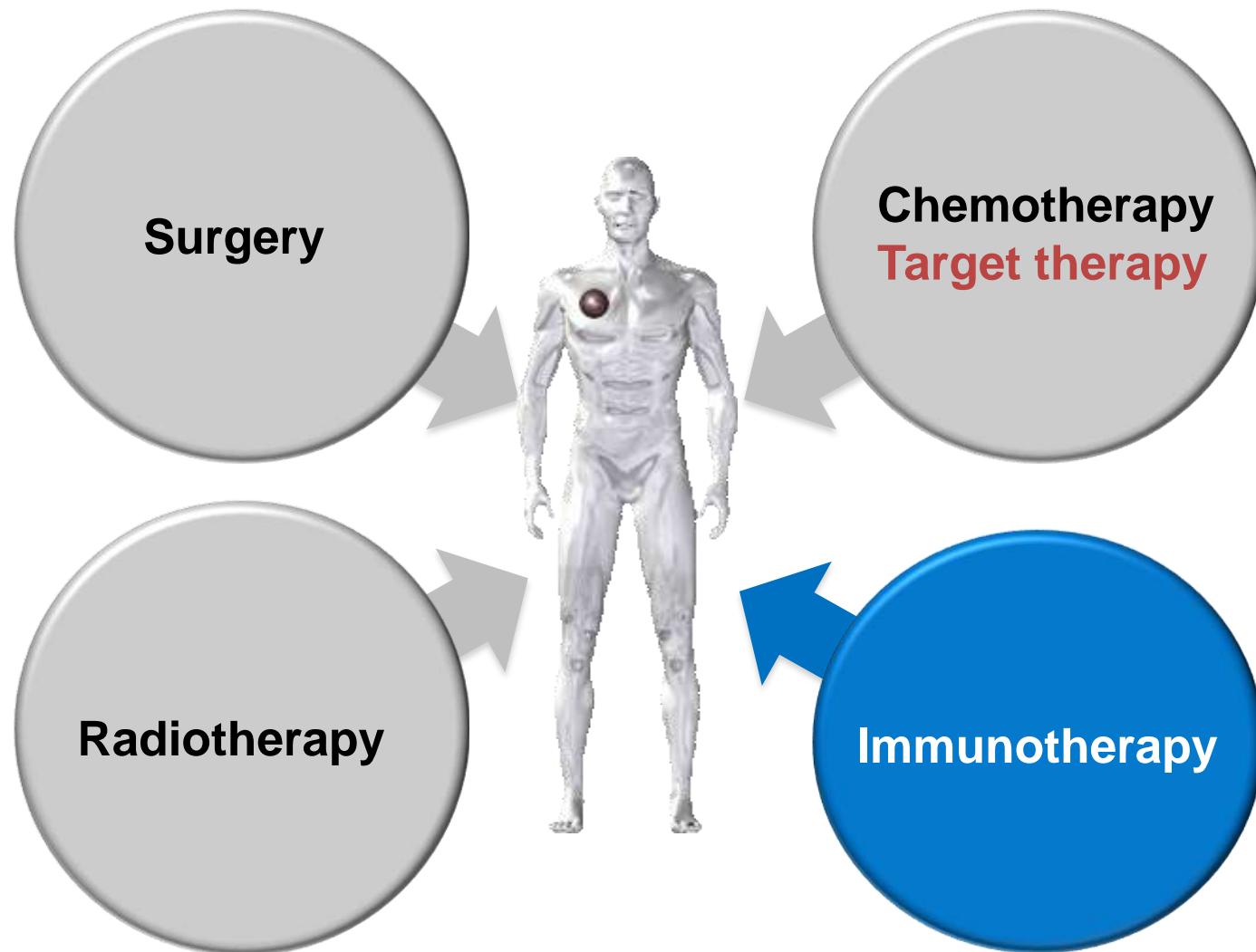
Immunoterapia tra I e II linea: quando il biomarcatore guida la scelta

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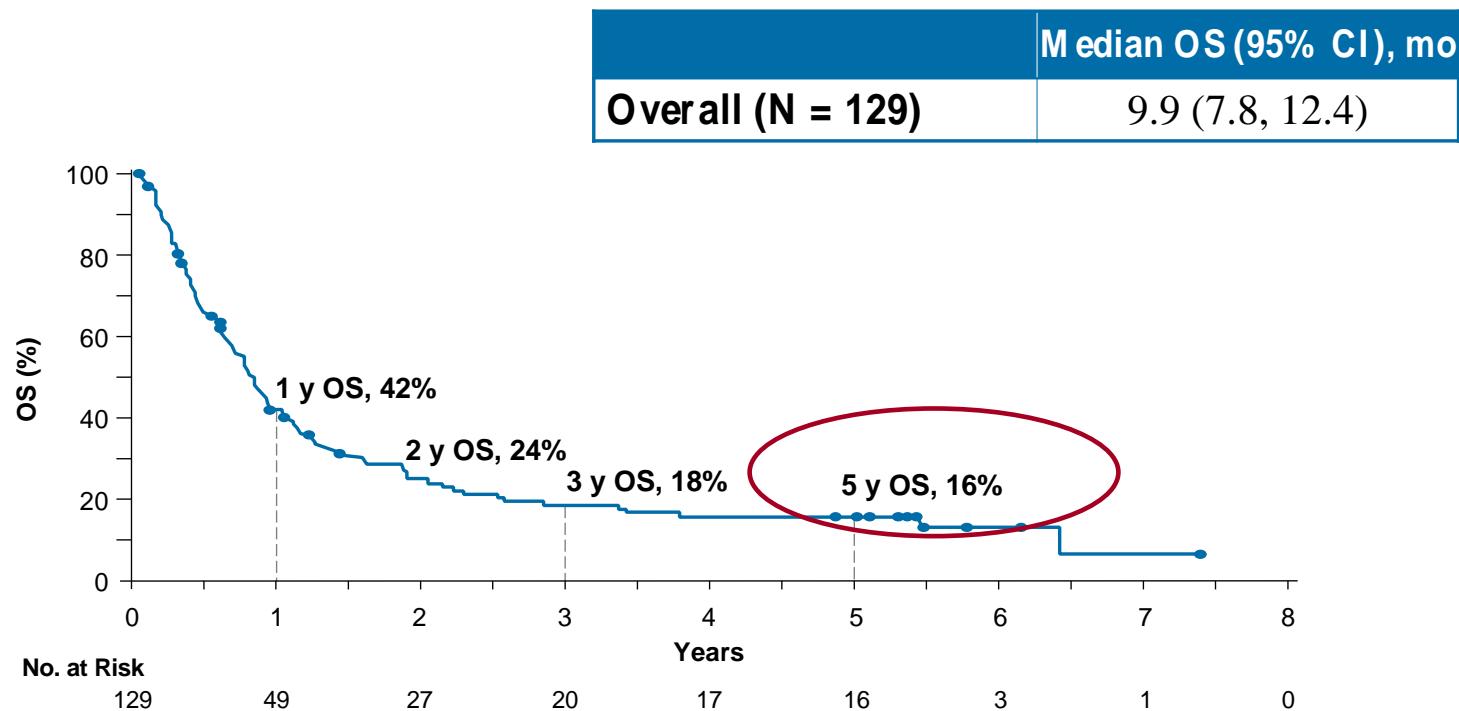


Evolving Therapeutic Options for Lung Cancer



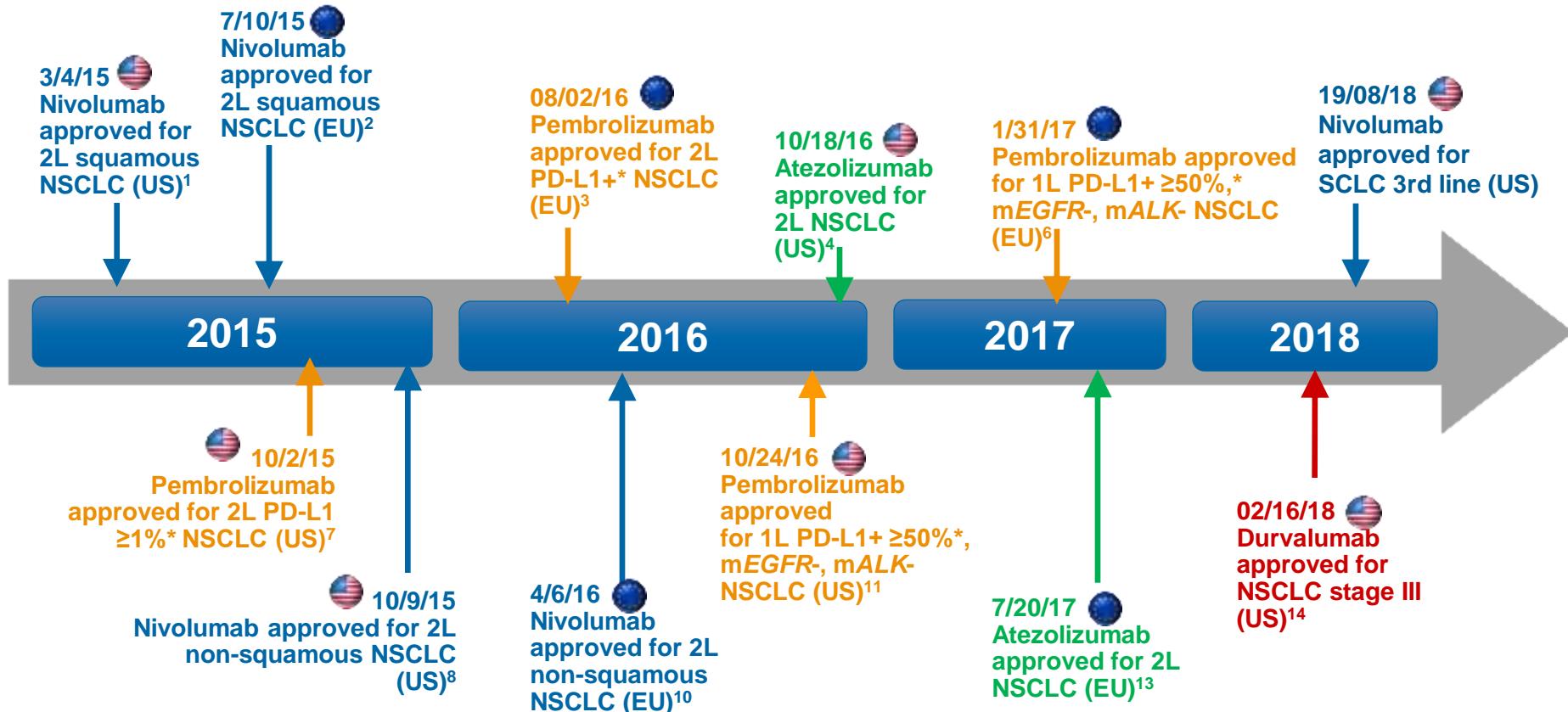
5-Year Estimates of OS

BM SCA209-003: phase 1 dose finding study in NSCLC



^aThere were 3 deaths between 3 and 5 years, all due to disease progression; 1 surviving patient was censored for OS prior to 5 years (OS: 58.2+ months)

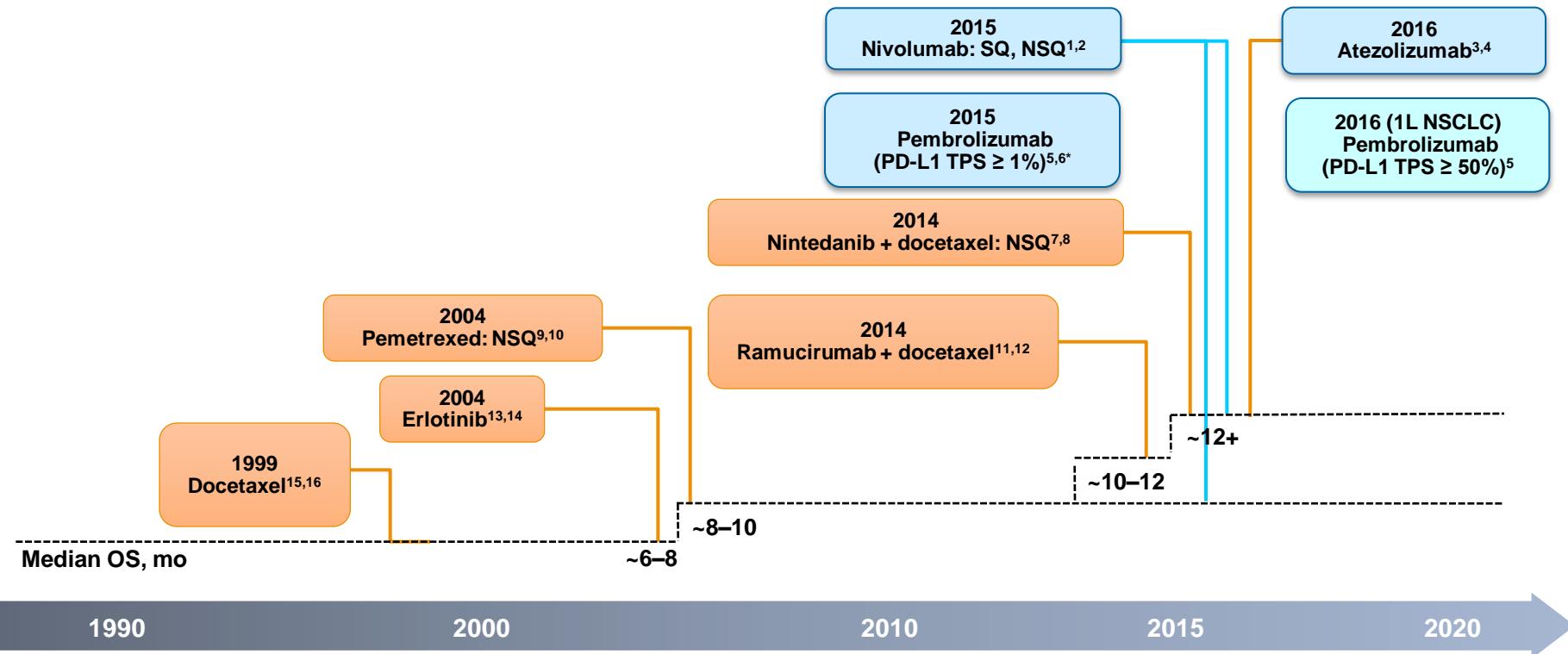
History of Checkpoint Inhibitors: Key Milestones in Lung cancer



*As determined using the Dako IHC 22C3 pharmDx assay.¹²

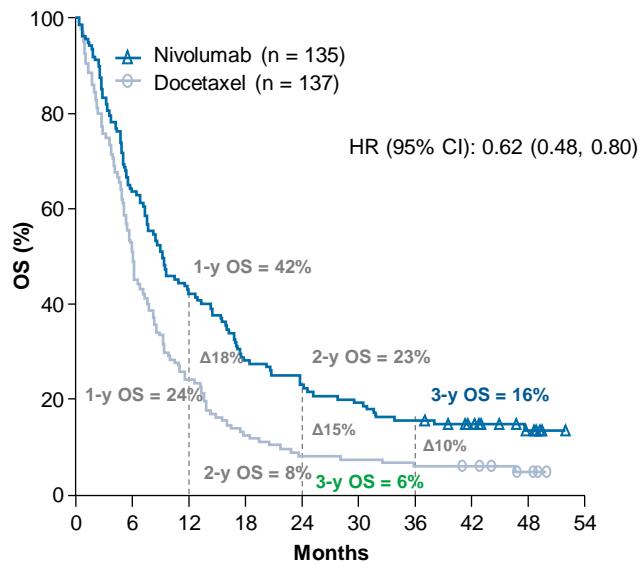
Abbreviations and references can be found in the speaker notes.

Evolution of Survival Outcomes in 2L+ Lung Cancer

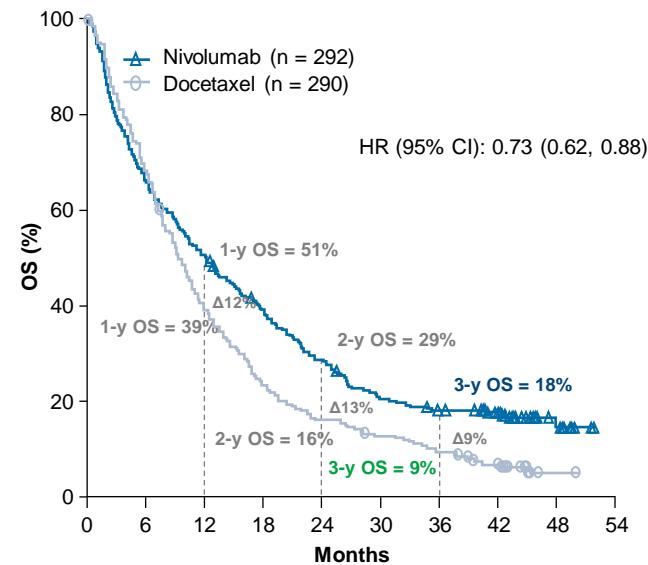


- Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 mAb replaced docetaxel as the preferred second-line therapy based on improved OS, higher response rates, longer DOR, and fewer AEs and QoL compared with docetaxel

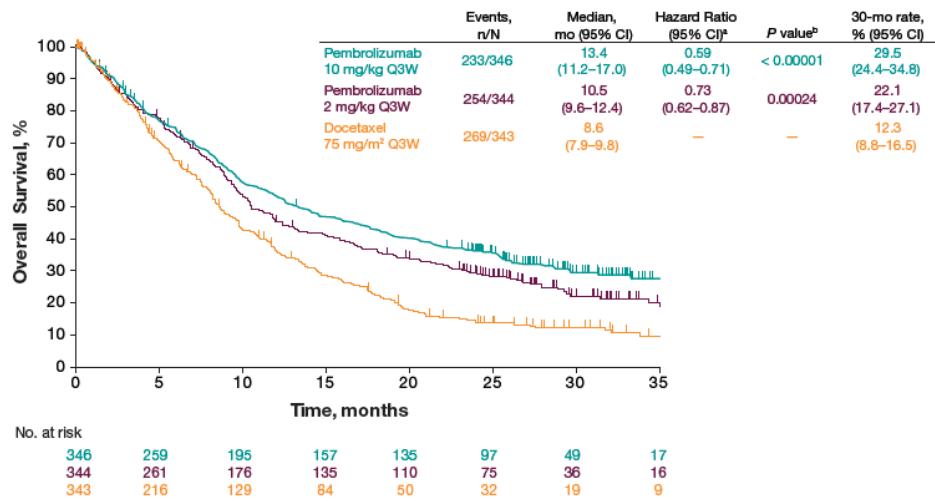
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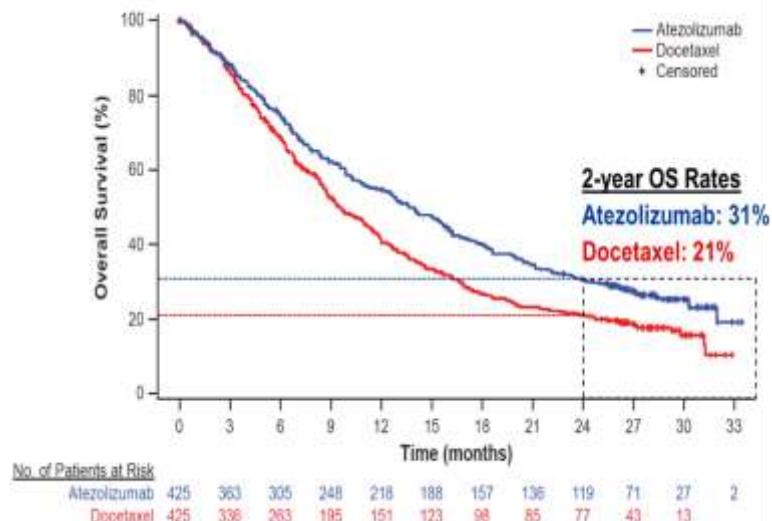
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Keynote-010



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Why are biomarkers predictive of response needed in the I-O clinic?

Identify those patients who would benefit more from a defined treatment, also avoiding treatment-related toxicities and saving resources on expensive therapies

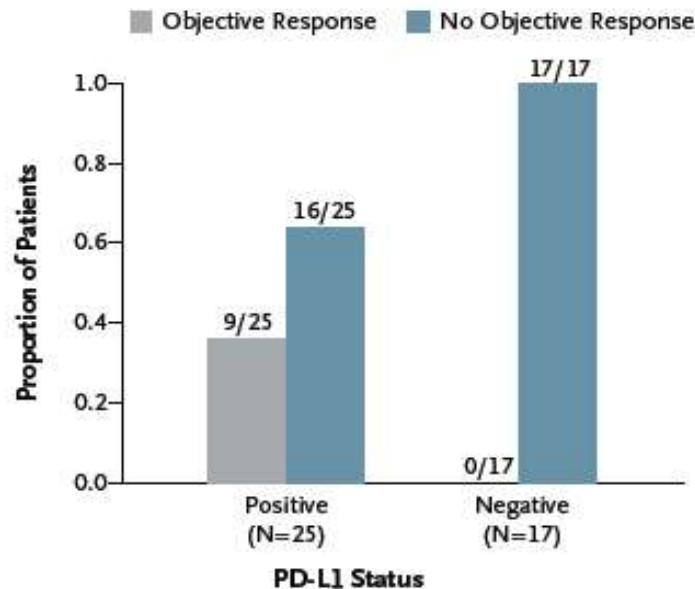
The “perfect” biomarker

- ✓ Easy and reliable to assess (molecularly defined)
- ✓ Limited/no need of tumor tissue (liquid biopsy)
- ✓ Not influenced by tumor microenvironment (stable expression)

CONSOLIDATED IN THE CLINIC: BRAF, ALK, ROS, EGFR, cKIT,

PREDICTIVE MARKERS OF RESPONSE TO PD1/PD-L1 BLOCKADE

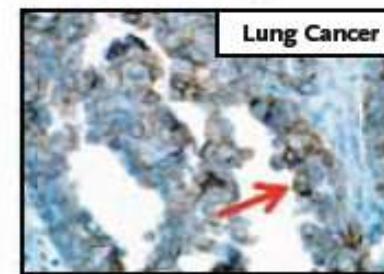
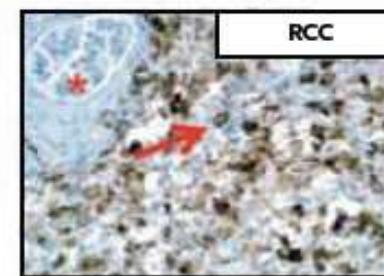
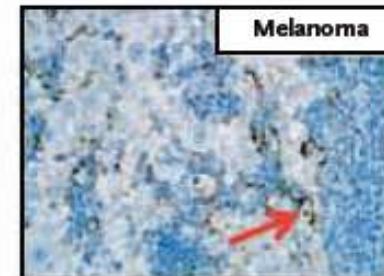
PD-L1 tumor expression



Association between Pretreatment Tumor PD-L1 Expression and Clinical Response

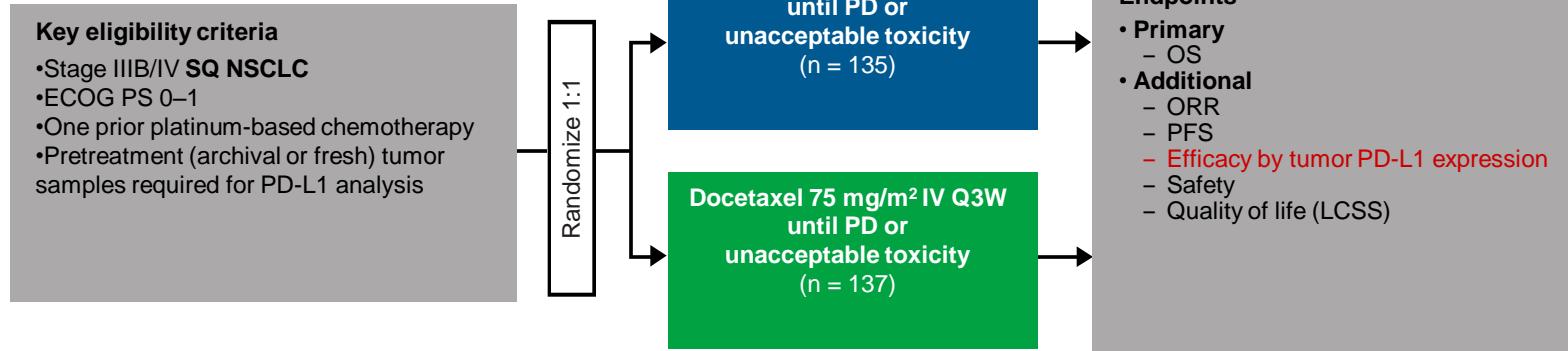
Response Status	PD-L1-Positive	PD-L1-Negative number (percent)	Total
Objective response	9 (36)	0	9 (21)
No objective response	16 (64)	17 (100)	33 (79)
All	25	17	42

P=0.006 for association by Fisher's exact test

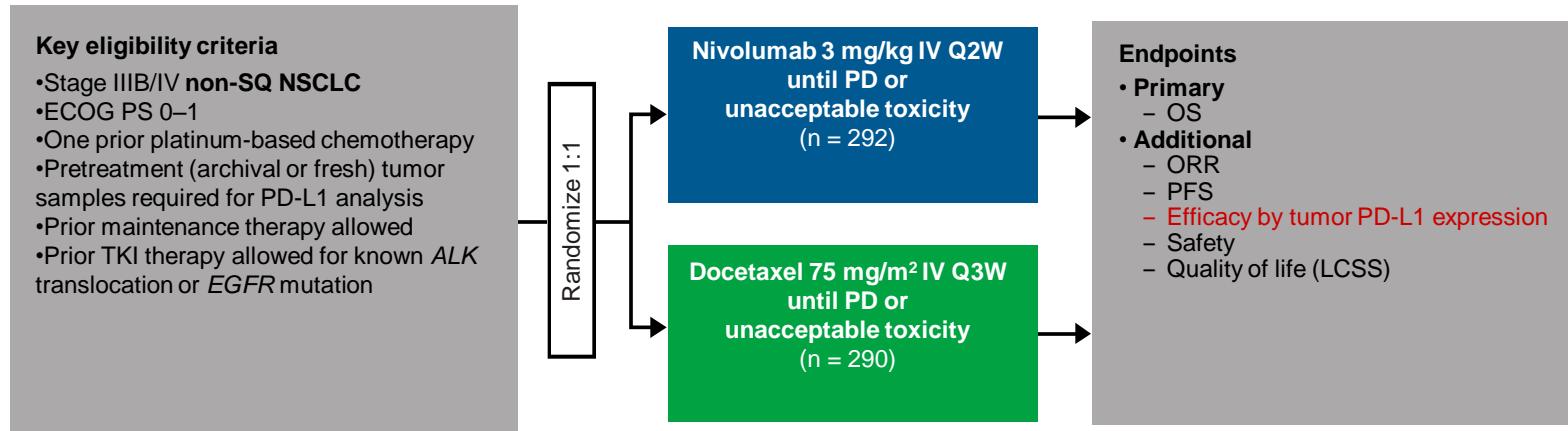


CheckMate 017 and CheckMate 057 Study Designs

CheckMate 017 (NCT01642004; N = 272)



CheckMate 057 (NCT01673867; N = 582)

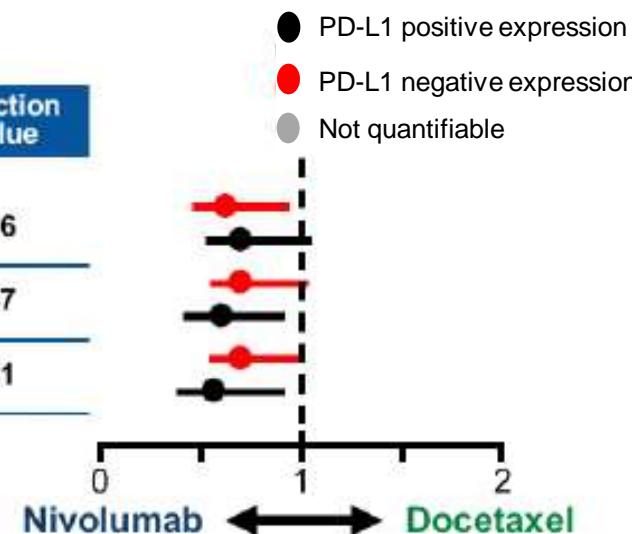


LCSS = Lung Cancer Symptom Scale; ORR = objective response rate; OS = overall survival; PD = progressive disease;
PFS = progression-free survival; TKI = tyrosine kinase inhibitor

Survival benefit by PD-L1 expression

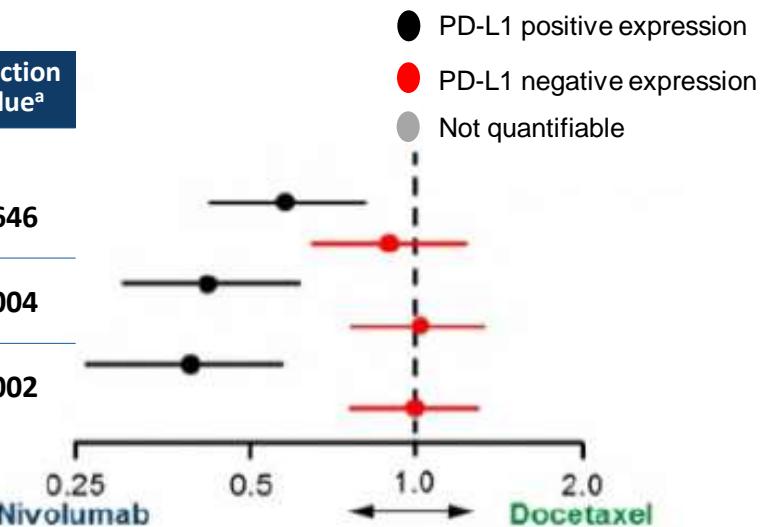
Checkmate 017 (Squamous)

PD-L1 Expression	Unstratified HR (95% CI)	Interaction P-value
OS		
<1%	0.58 (0.37, 0.92)	
≥1%	0.69 (0.45, 1.05)	
<5%	0.70 (0.47, 1.02)	0.56
≥5%	0.53 (0.31, 0.89)	0.47
<10%	0.70 (0.48, 1.01)	0.41
≥10%	0.50 (0.28, 0.89)	

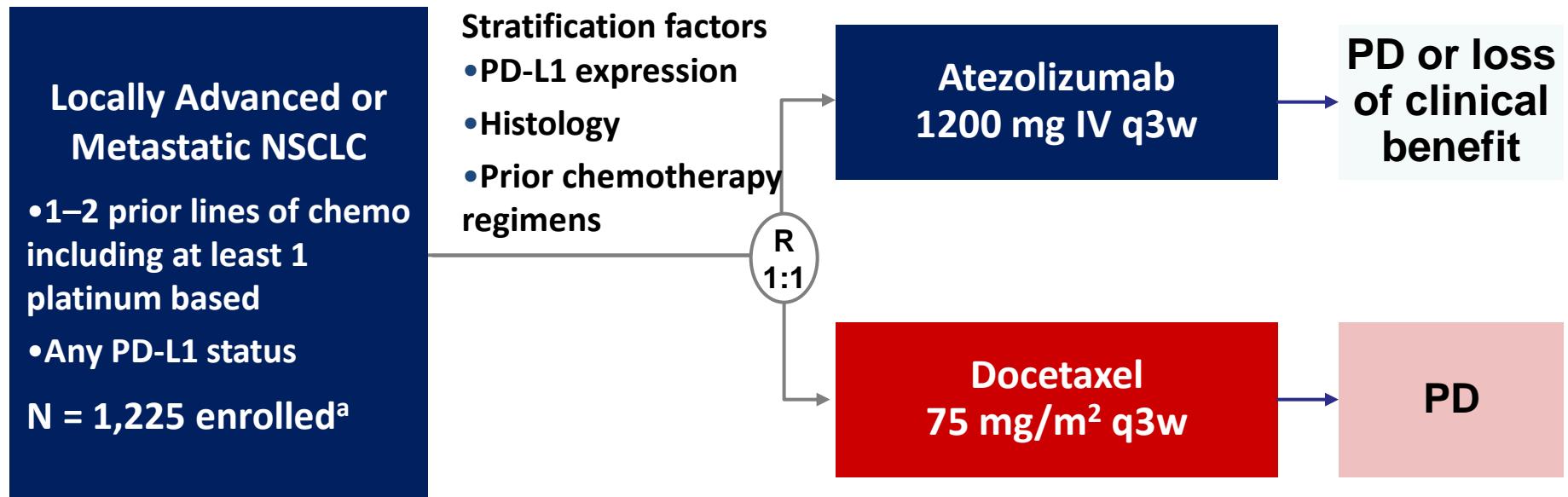


Checkmate 057 (Non-squamous)

PD-L1 expression level	Unstratified HR (95% CI)	Interaction P-value ^a
OS		
≥1%	0.59 (0.43, 0.82)	
<1%	0.90 (0.66, 1.24)	0.0646
≥5%	0.43 (0.30, 0.63)	
<5%	1.01 (0.77, 1.34)	0.0004
≥10%	0.40 (0.26, 0.59)	
<10%	1.00 (0.76, 1.31)	0.0002



OAK study design



Primary Endpoints (first 850 enrolled patients):

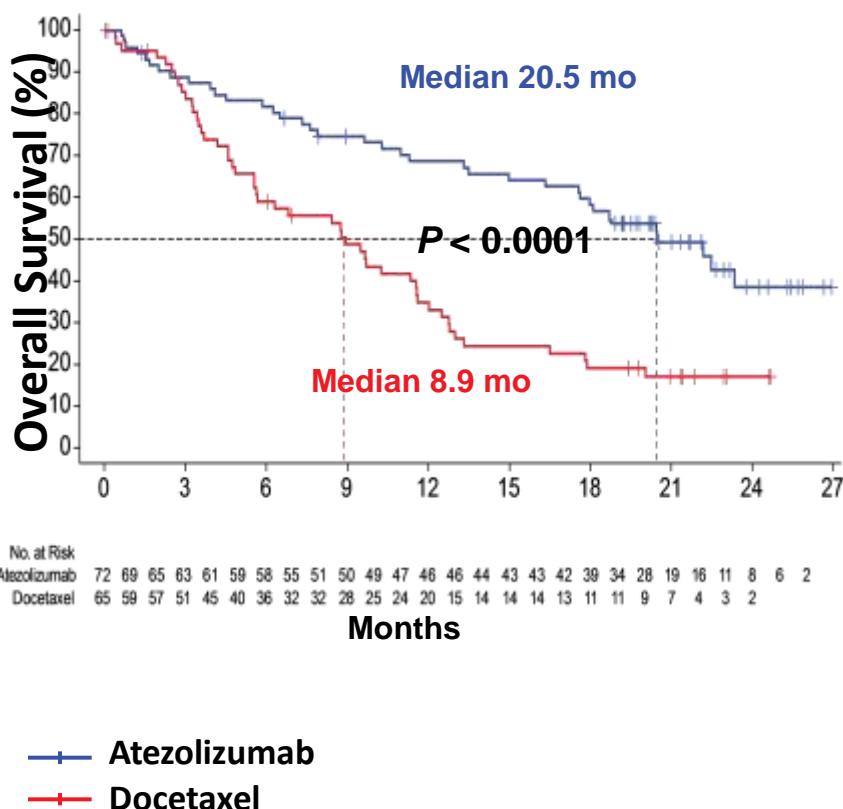
- OS in the ITT population
- OS in patients with PD-L1 expression on ≥ 1% TC or IC

Secondary Endpoints: ORR, PFS, DoR, Safety

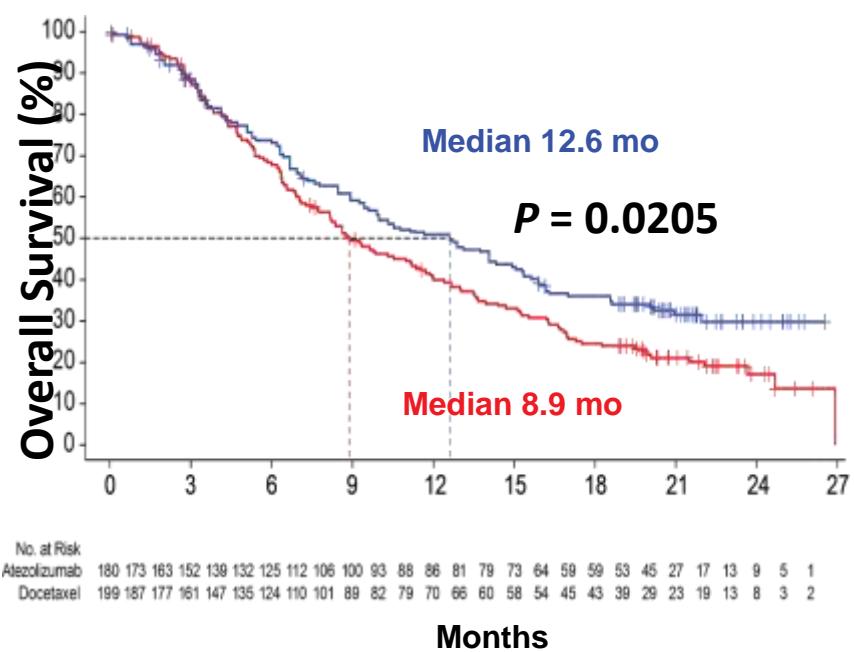
^aA prespecified analysis of the first 850 patients provided sufficient power to test the co-primary endpoints of OS in the ITT and TC1/2/3 or IC1/2/3 subgroup (≥ 1% PD-L1 expression). TC, tumor cells; IC, tumor-infiltrating immune cells.

Overall survival based on PD-L1 and IC status

PD-L1 \geq 50% TC or \geq 10% IC
TC3 or IC3; 16% of patients



PD-L1 < 1% TC and IC
TC0 and IC0; 45% of patients



Pembrolizumab in Pretreated, PD-L1-Positive NSCLC in the Phase 2/3 KEYNOTE-010 Trial

Inclusion criteria

- Advanced NSCLC; progression after ≥ 2 cycles of platinum-doublet chemotherapy
- ≥ 18 years
- ECOG PS 0/1
- Provision of a tumor sample
- PD-L1 expression on $\geq 1\%$ of tumor cells

Stratification

- ECOG PS: 0 vs 1
- Region: East Asia vs not East Asia
- PD-L1 expression: tumor proportion score $\geq 50\%$ vs 1-49%

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1:1:1

Pembrolizumab monotherapy
(2 mg/kg IV every 3 weeks)
n=345

Pembrolizumab monotherapy
(10 mg/kg IV every 3 weeks)
n=346

Docetaxel monotherapy
(75 mg/m² IV every 3 weeks)
n=343

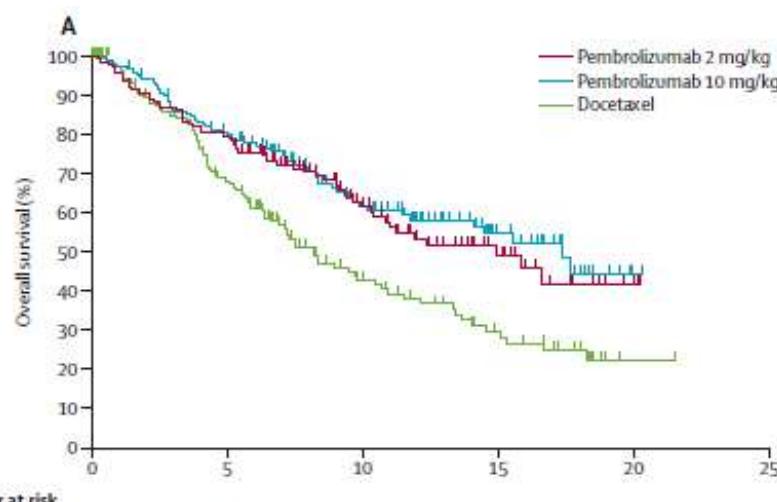
Treatment for
24 months or
until disease
progression or
discontinuation
due to toxicity /
other reasons

Primary endpoints OS, PFS in total population and patients with tumor proportion score $\geq 50\%$

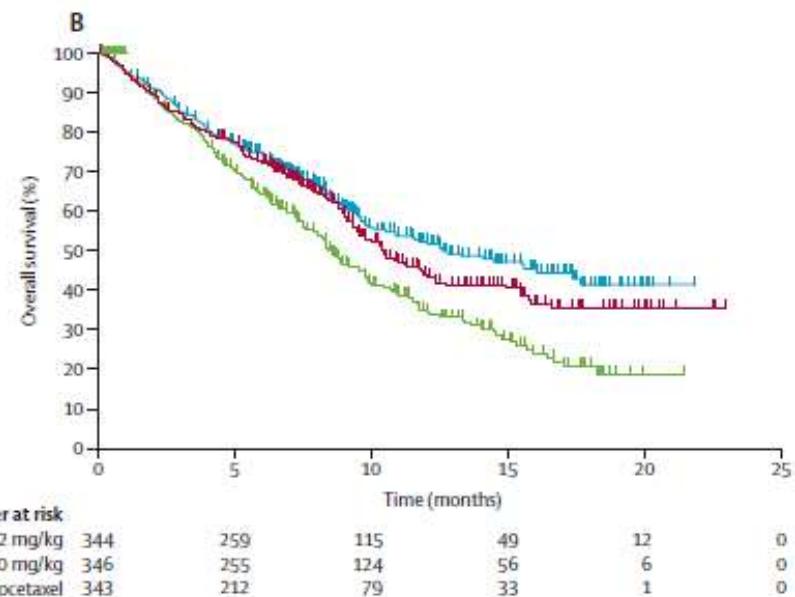
Secondary endpoints Safety, response rate (as per RECIST version 1.1), duration of response

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PD-L1: $\geq 50\%$



PD-L1: 1-49%



MST

Pem 2 = 14.9 mos (HR 0.54)

Pem 10 = 17.3 mos (HR 0.50)

TXT = 8.2 mos

MST

Pem 2 = 10.4 mos (HR 0.71)

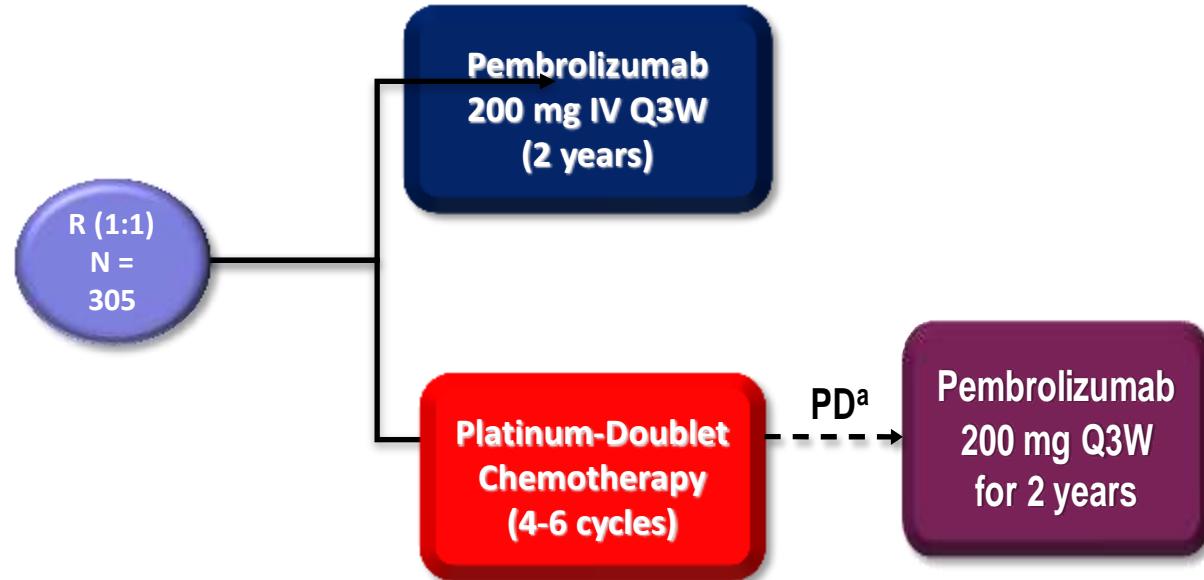
Pem 10 = 12.4 mos (HR 0.61)

TXT = 8.5 mos

KEYNOTE 024 study design

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Untreated stage IV NSCLC
- PD-L1 TPS $\geq 50\%$
- ECOG PS 0-1
- No activating EGFR mutation or ALK translocation
- No untreated brain metastases
- No active autoimmune disease requiring systemic therapy



Key End Points

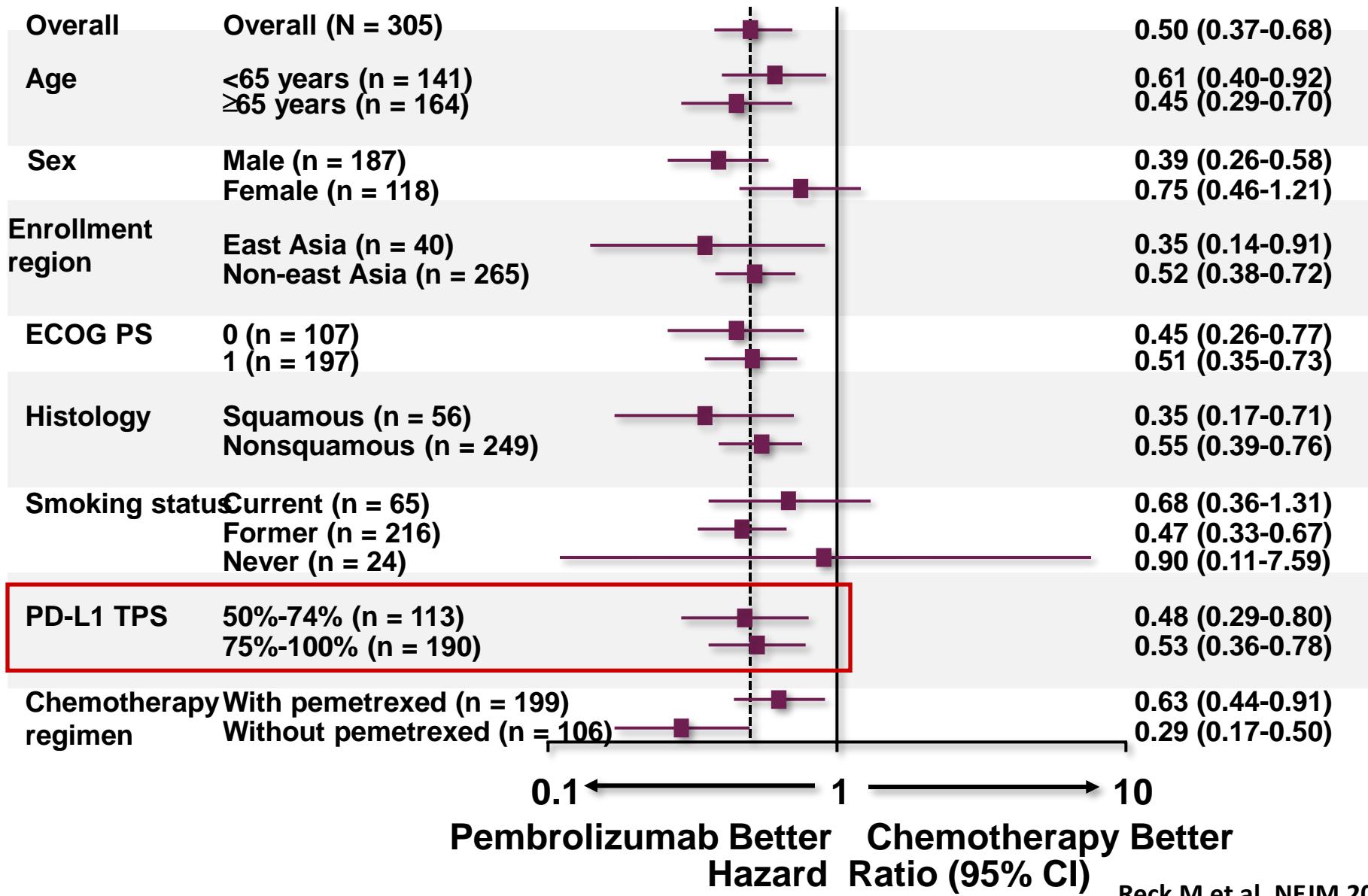
Primary: PFS (RECIST v1.1 per blinded, independent central review)

Secondary: OS, ORR, safety

Exploratory: DOR

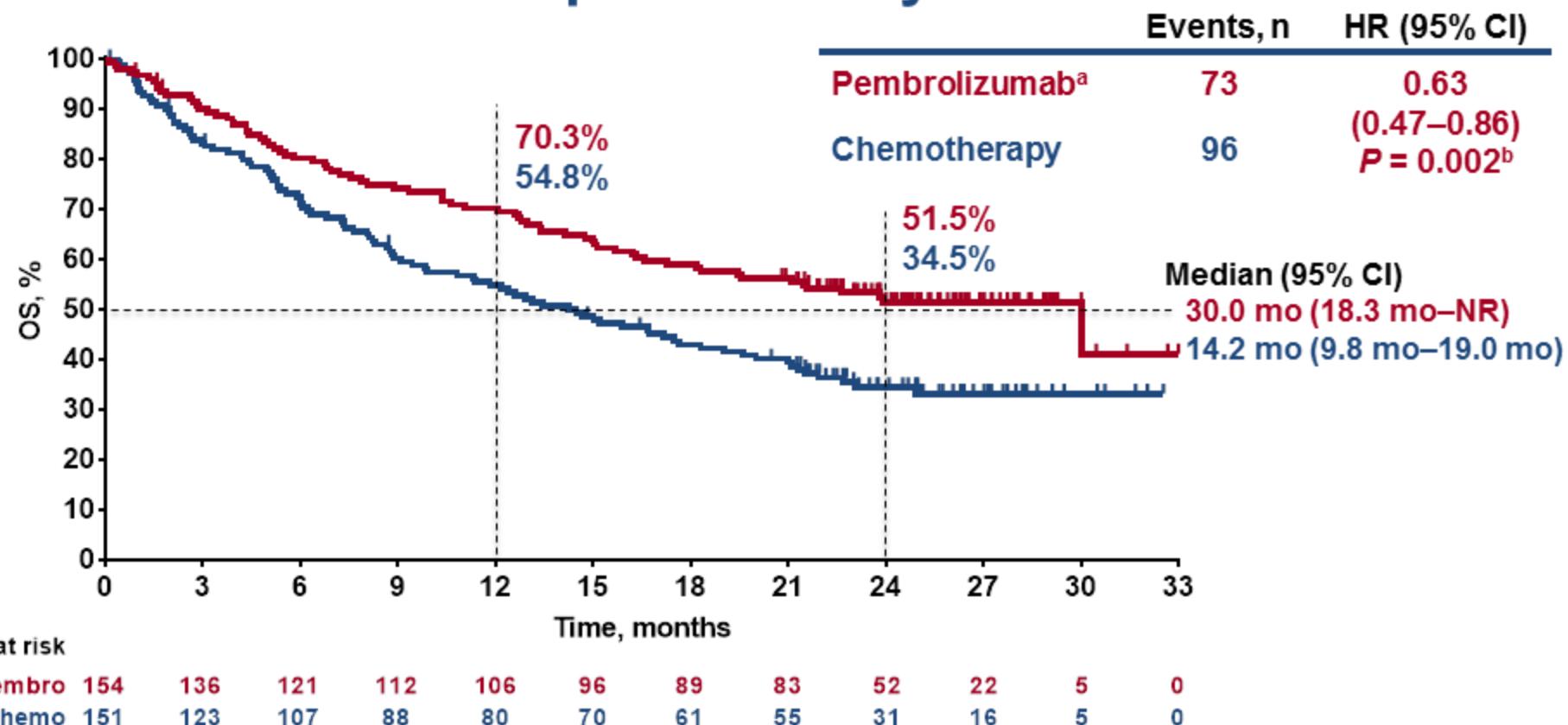
^aTo be eligible for crossover, progressive disease (PD) had to be confirmed by blinded, independent central radiology review and all safety criteria had to be met.

Progression-Free survival in subgroups



Reck M et al. NEJM 2016

Overall Survival: Updated Analysis



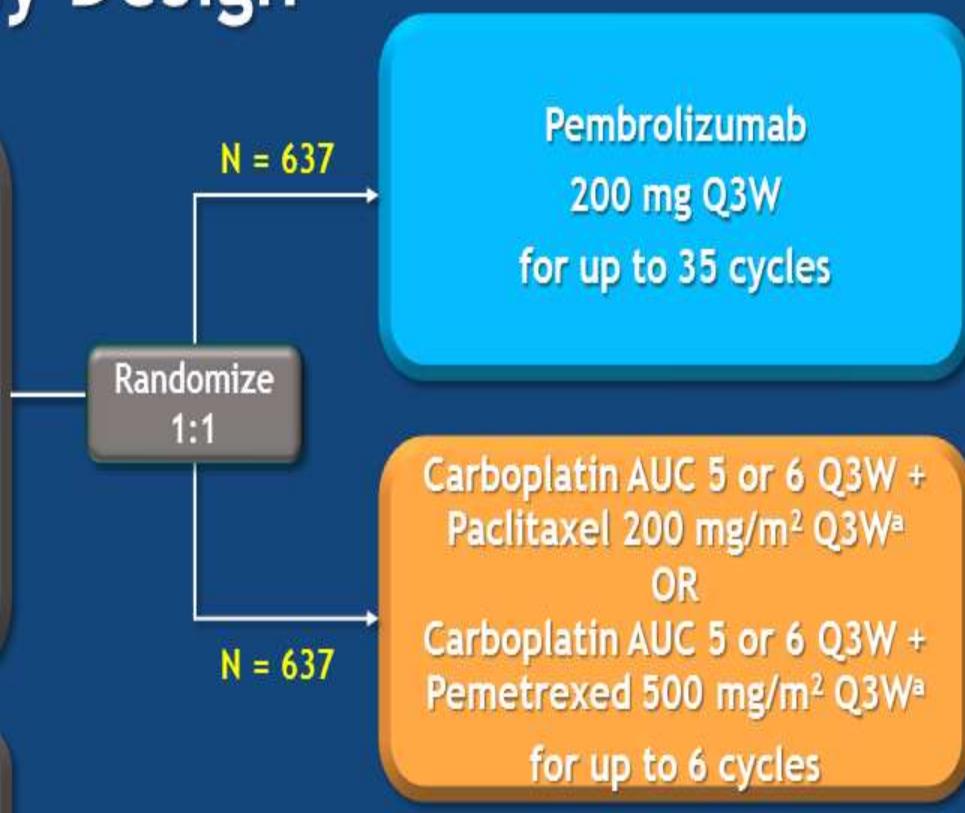
KEYNOTE-042 Study Design

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Untreated locally advanced or metastatic NSCLC of any histology
- PD-L1 TPS $\geq 1\%$
- No sensitizing EGFR or ALK alterations
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- No untreated or unstable CNS metastases
- No history of pneumonitis that required systemic corticosteroids

Stratification Factors

- Region (east Asia vs rest of the world)
- ECOG PS (0 vs 1)
- Histology (squamous vs nonsquamous)
- PD-L1 TPS ($\geq 50\%$ vs 1-49%)

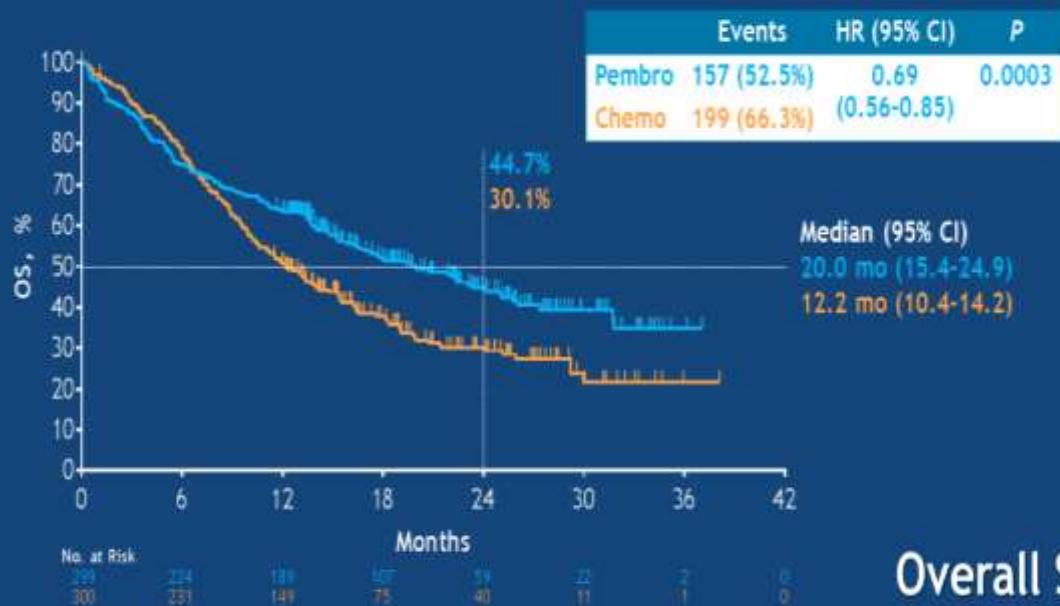


End points

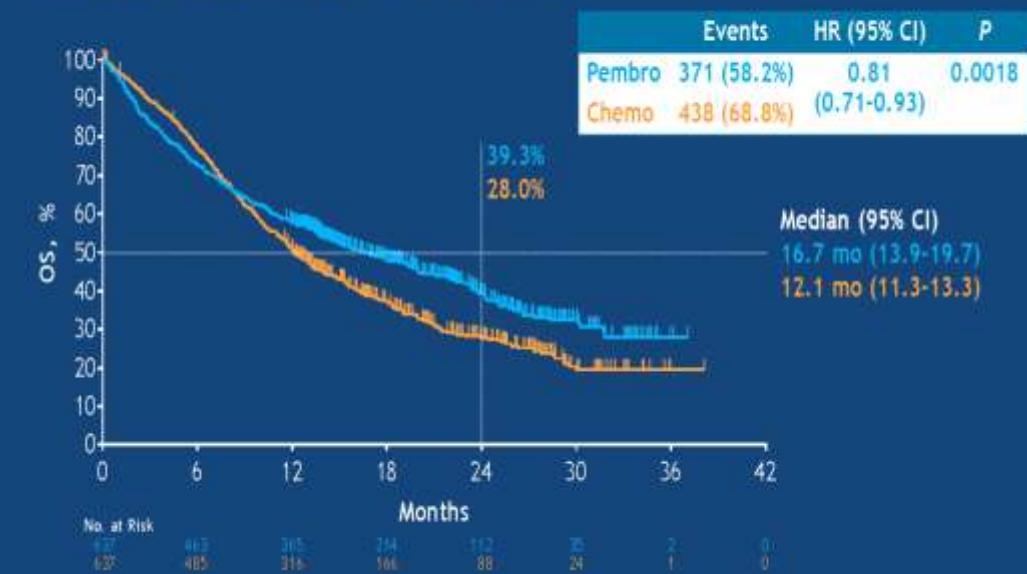
- Primary: OS in PD-L1 TPS $\geq 50\%$, $\geq 20\%$, and $\geq 1\%$
- Secondary: PFS and ORR in TPS $\geq 50\%$, $\geq 20\%$, and $\geq 1\%$; safety in TPS $\geq 1\%$

^aPemetrexed maintenance therapy was optional but strongly encouraged for patients with nonsquamous histology.

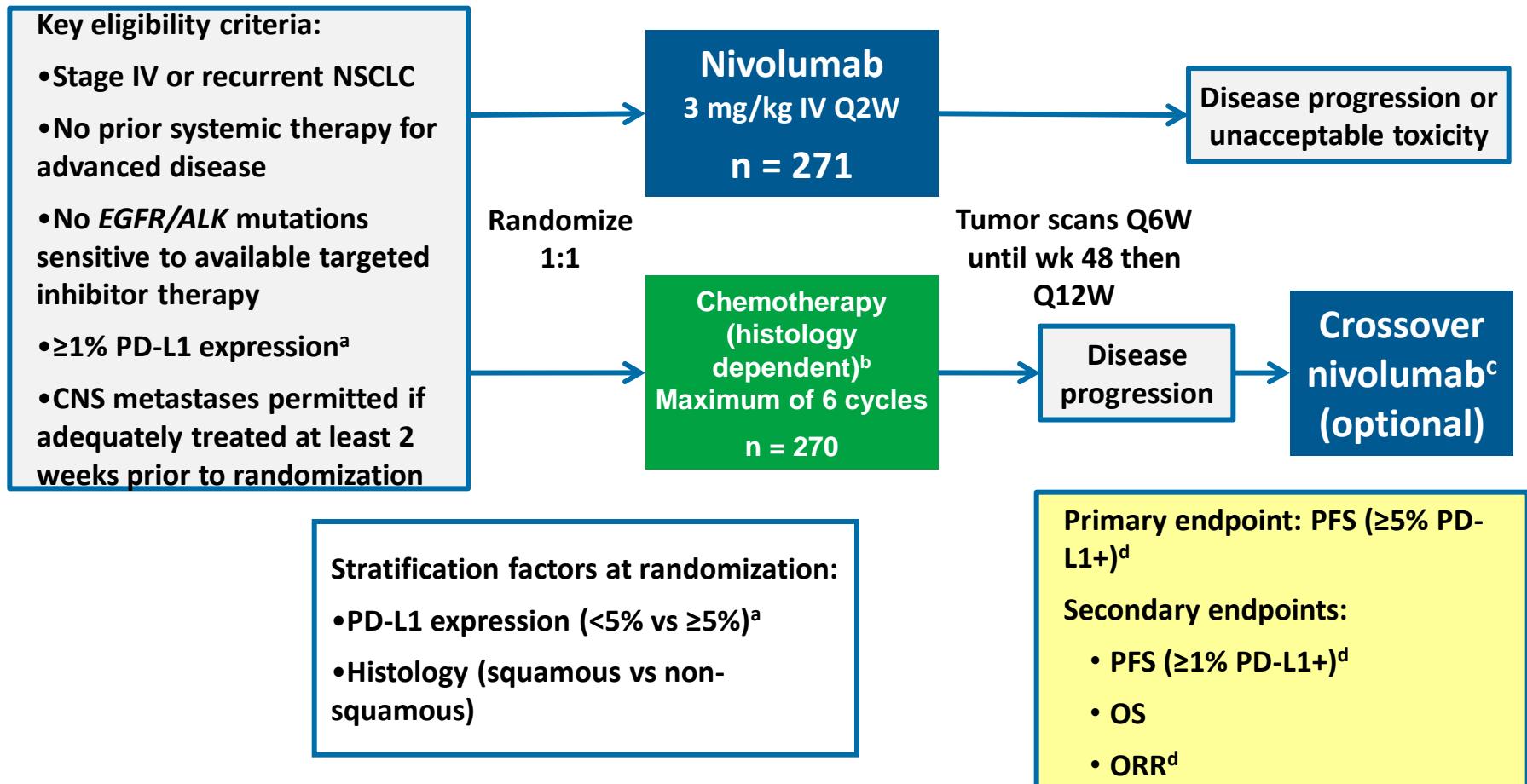
Overall Survival: TPS ≥50%

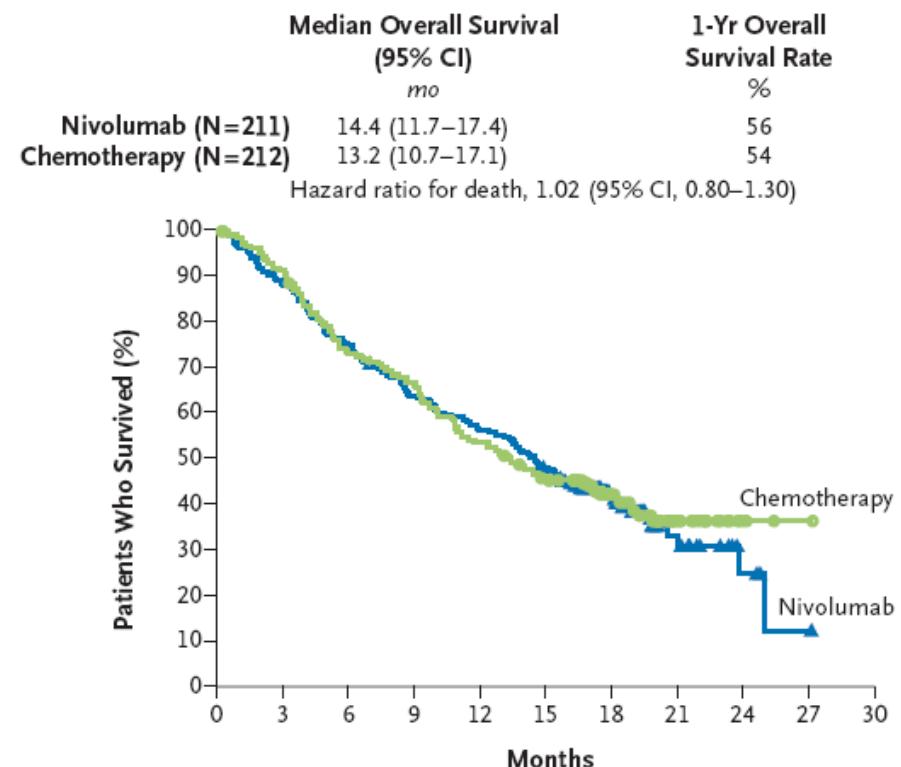
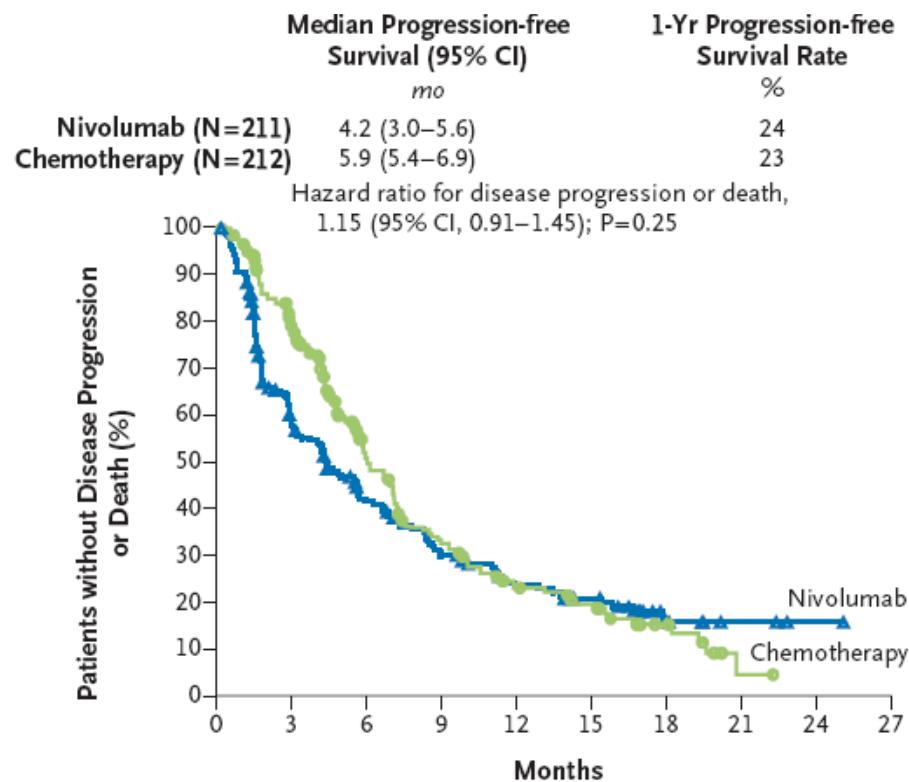


Overall Survival: TPS ≥1%



Phase 3 CheckMate 026 Study Design: Nivolumab vs Chemotherapy in First-line NSCLC





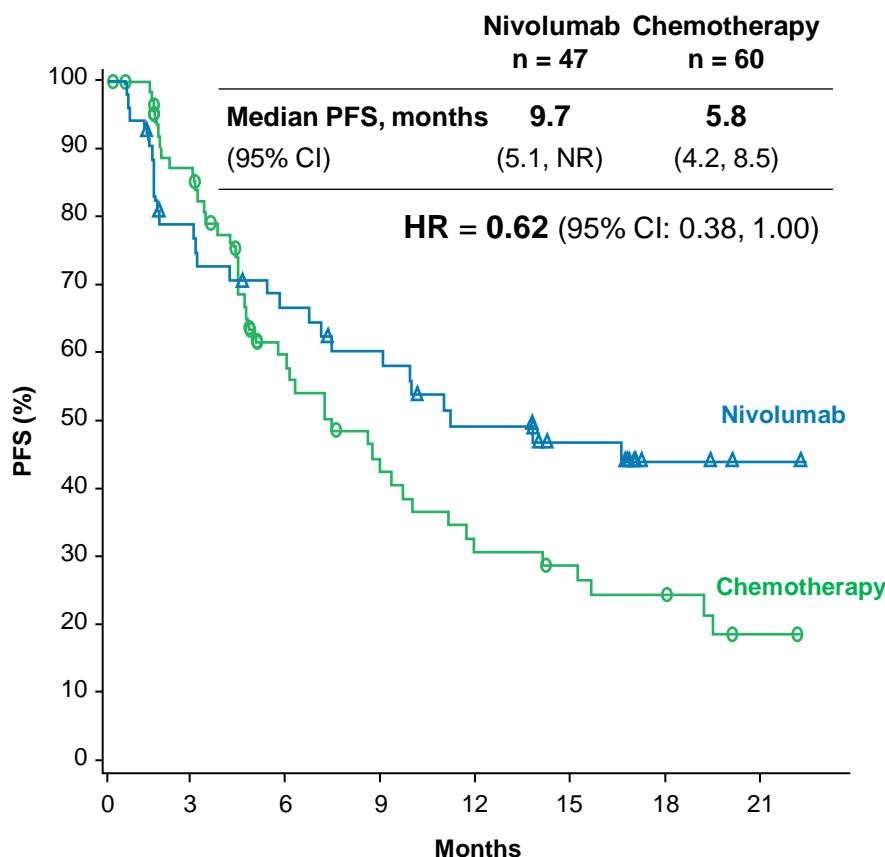
No. at Risk	12	6	3	1	0	12	6	3	1	0
Nivolumab	211	104	71	49	35	24	6	3	1	0
Chemotherapy	212	144	74	47	28	21	8	1	0	0

No. at Risk	12	6	3	1	0	12	6	3	1	0
Nivolumab	211	186	156	133	118	98	49	14	4	0
Chemotherapy	212	186	153	137	112	91	50	15	3	0

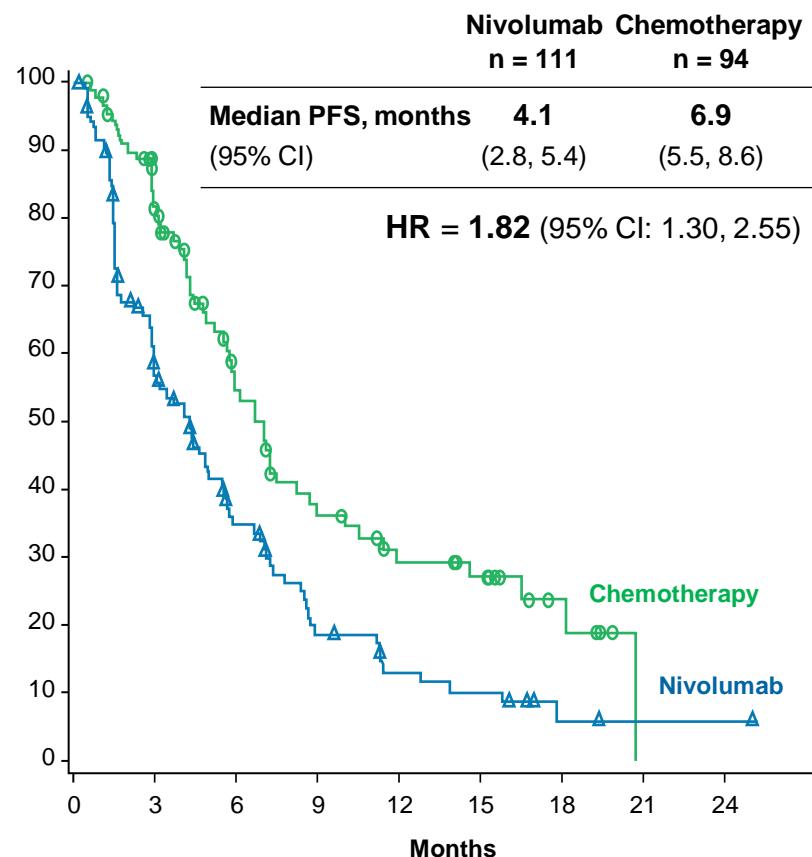
PFS by Tumor Mutation Burden Subgroup

CheckMate 026 TMB Analysis: Nivolumab in First-line NSCLC

High TMB



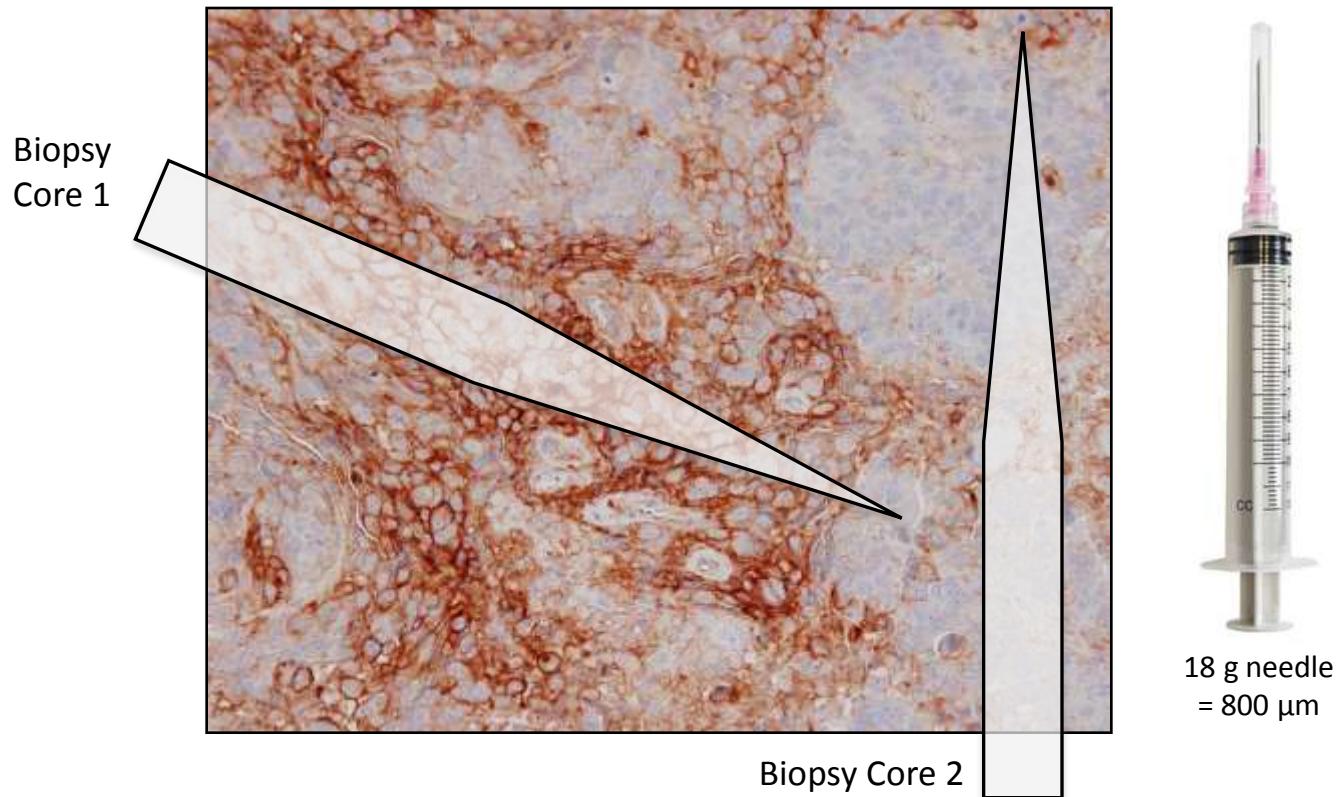
Low/medium TMB



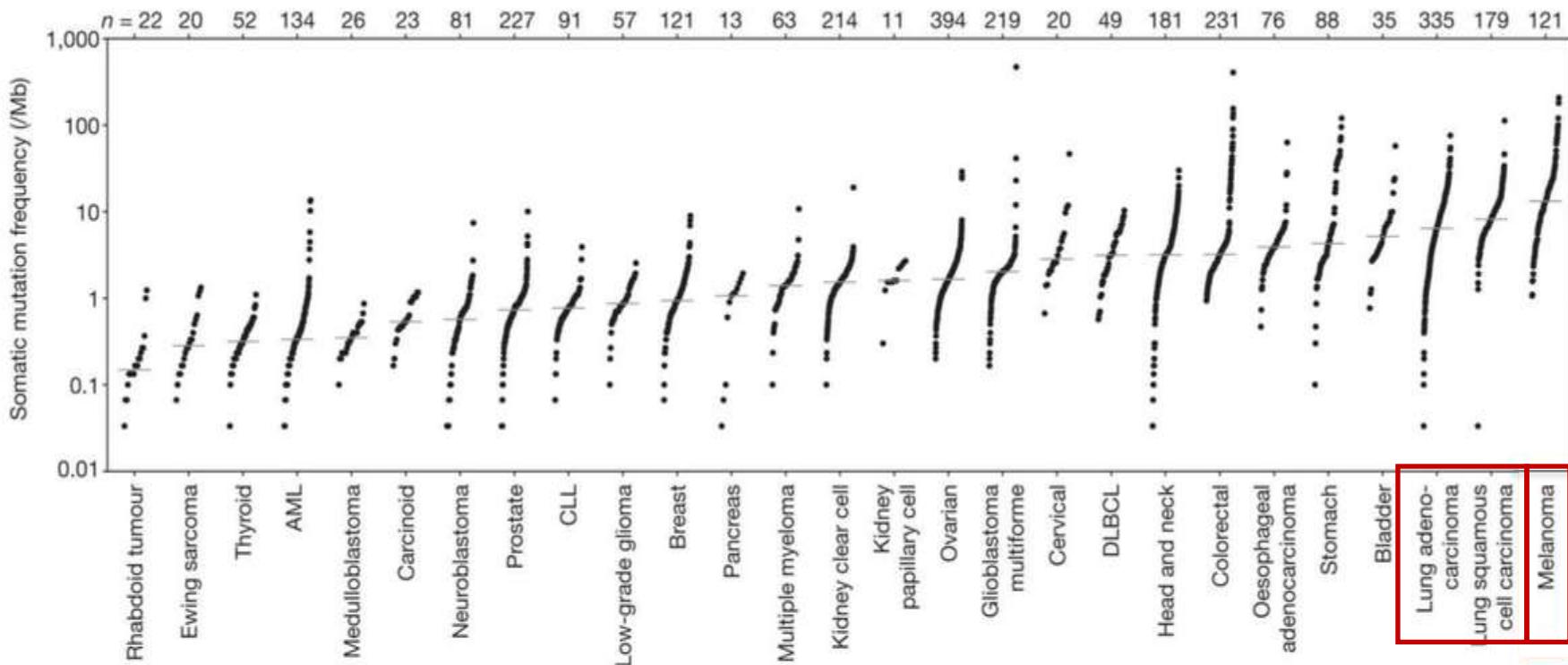
Predictive role of PDL-1 expression to PD-1/PDL-1 blockade: open questions

- ✓ There are different antibody (one mAb for each of the anti-PD-1/PD-L1 agents tested) and assay utilized
- ✓ Patients with PD-L1-negative tumors can respond to treatment
- ✓ PD-L1 is a highly dynamic and inducible marker (IFN- γ), and it should be tested as close as possible at the beginning of the PD-1/PD-L1 blockade treatment
- ✓ PD-L1 is heterogeneously expressed in tumor tissues → false negative cases

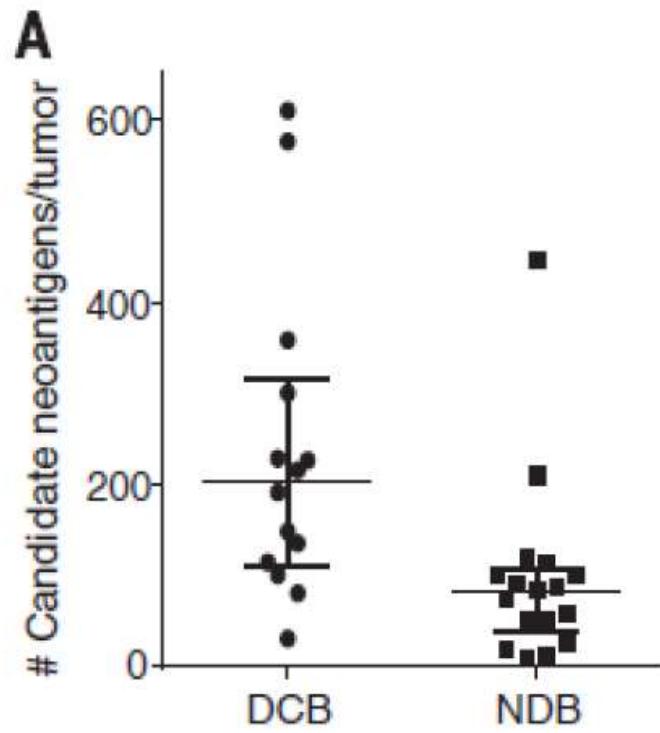
PD-L1 immunohistochemistry: Expression heterogeneity and potential for sampling error



Somatic mutation frequencies observed in exomes from 3,083 tumour–normal pairs

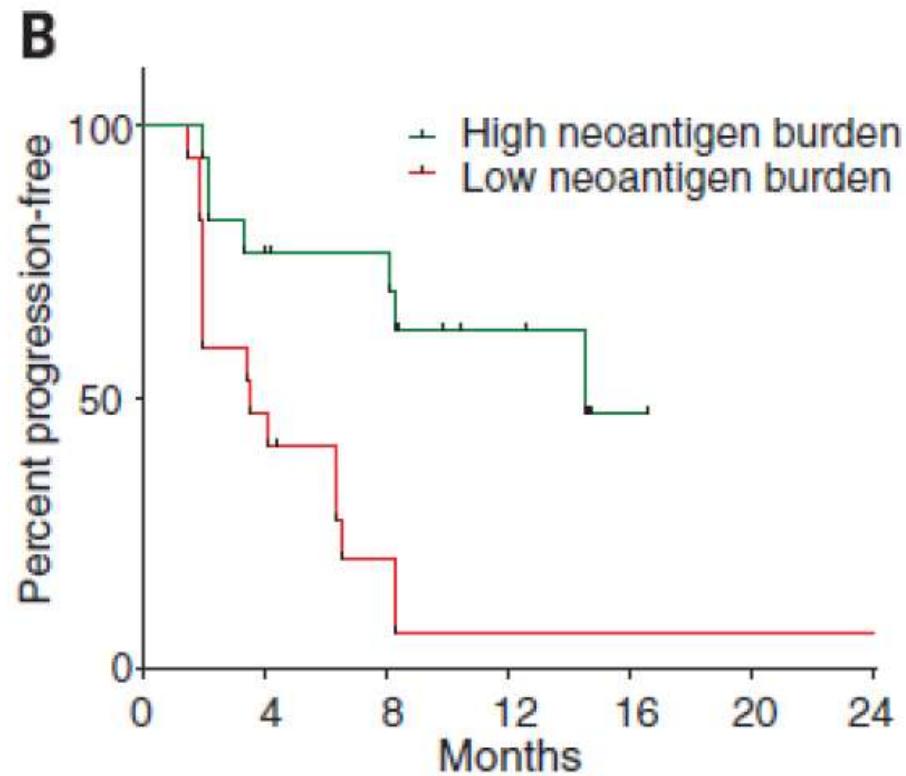


Higher Neoantigen Burden is Associated with Response to Pembrolizumab in NSCLC



DCB: Durable clinical benefit (PR/SD >6months)

NDB: No durable benefit

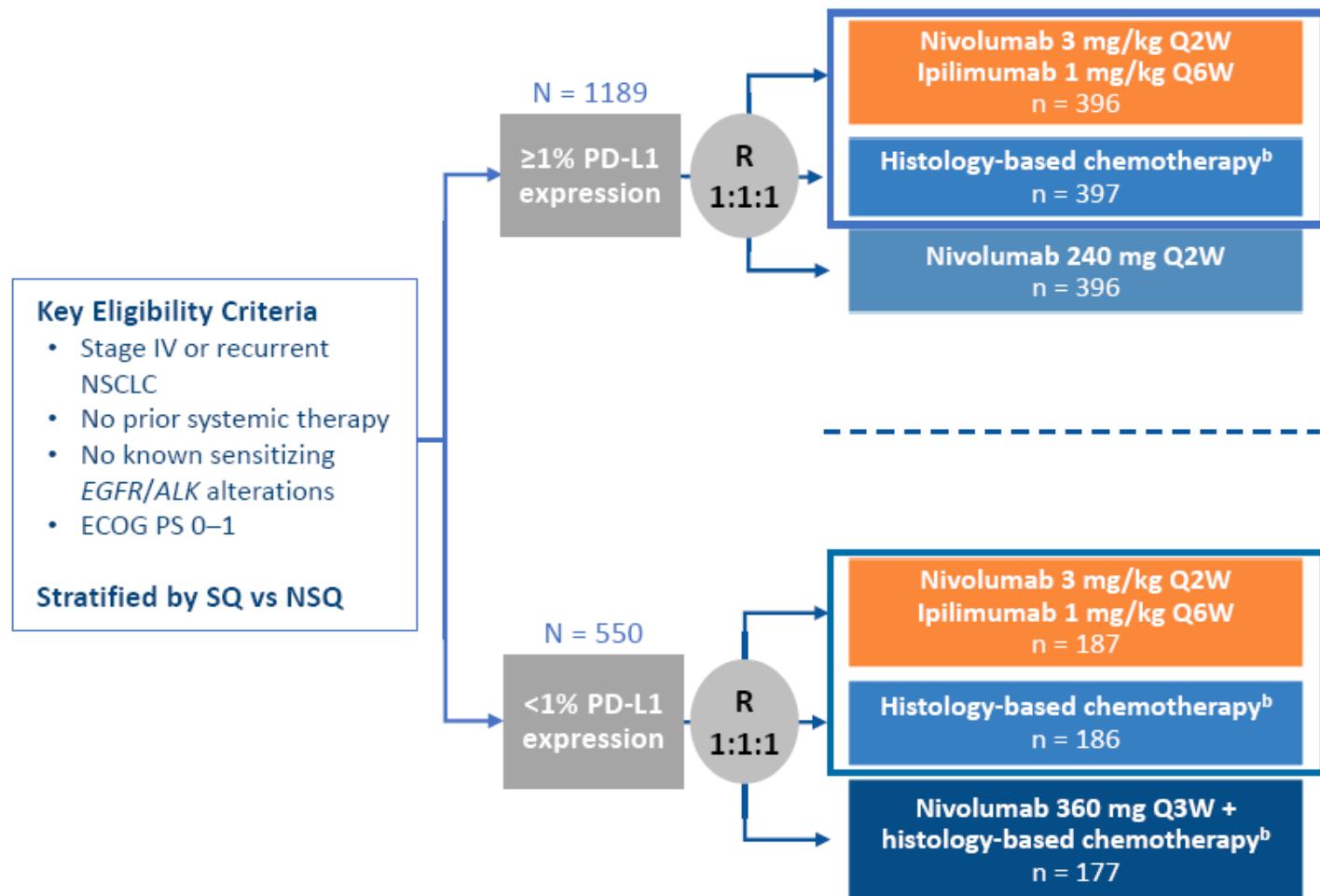


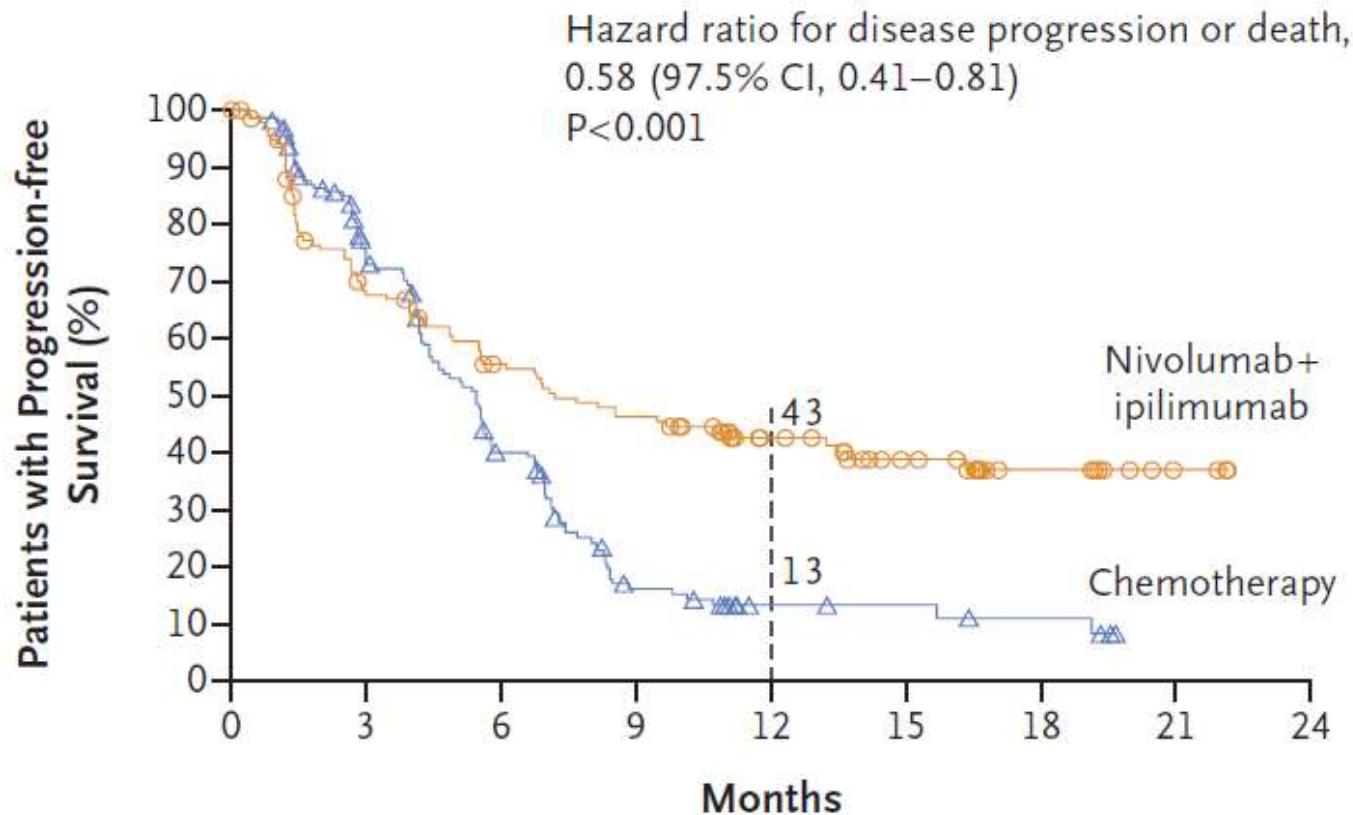
Rizvi et al *Science* 2015

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab in Lung Cancer
with a High Tumor Mutational Burden

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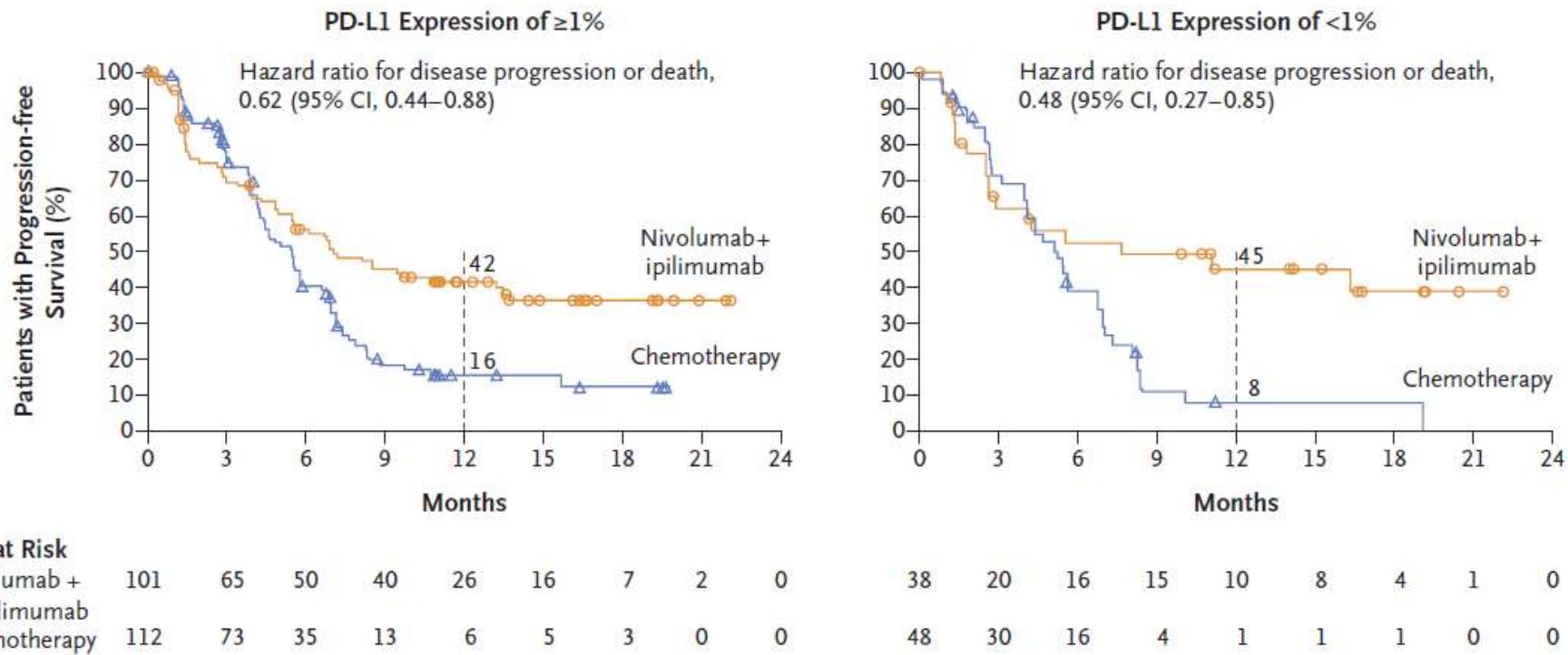




No. at Risk

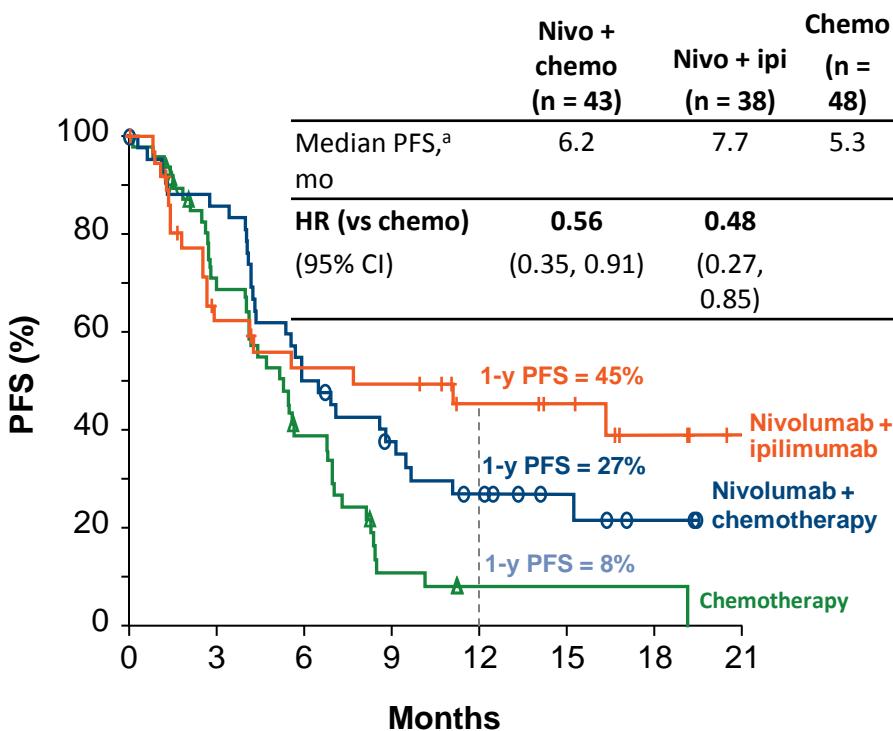
	139	85	66	55	36	24	11	3	0
Nivolumab + ipilimumab	139	85	66	55	36	24	11	3	0
Chemotherapy	160	103	51	17	7	6	4	0	0

Ipilimumab/nivolumab is better than platinum-CT in TMB \geq 10Mb irrespective of PD-L1 (Checkmate 227)

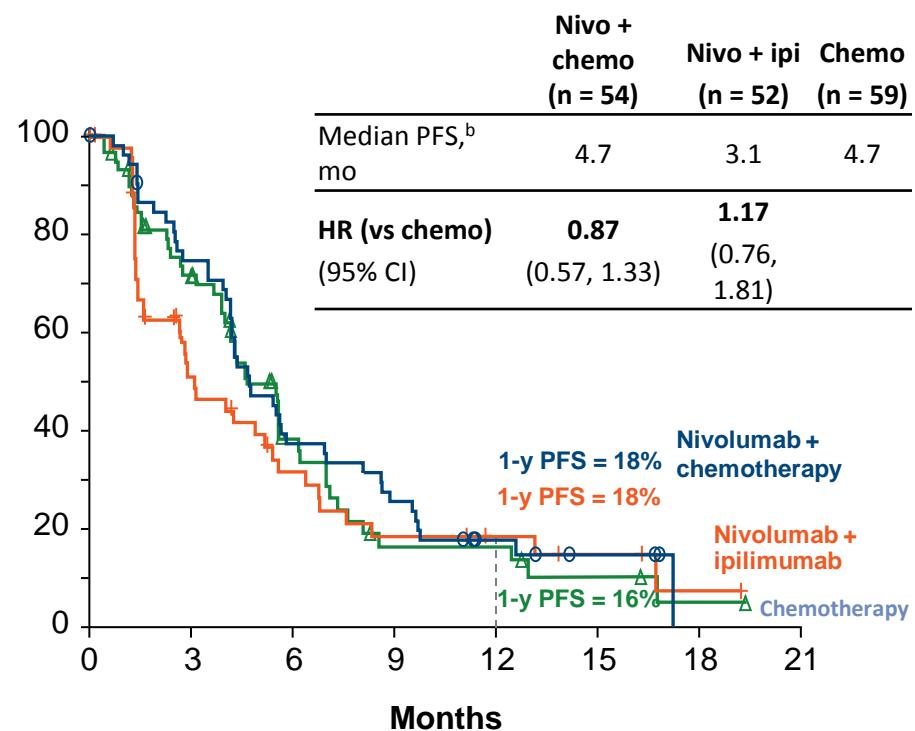


Checkmate- 227: PFS in Nivolumab + Chemotherapy and Nivolumab + Ipilimumab by TMB

TMB ≥ 10 mut/Mb and <1% Tumor PD-L1 Expression



TMB <10 mut/Mb and <1% Tumor PD-L1 Expression



Exploratory analysis

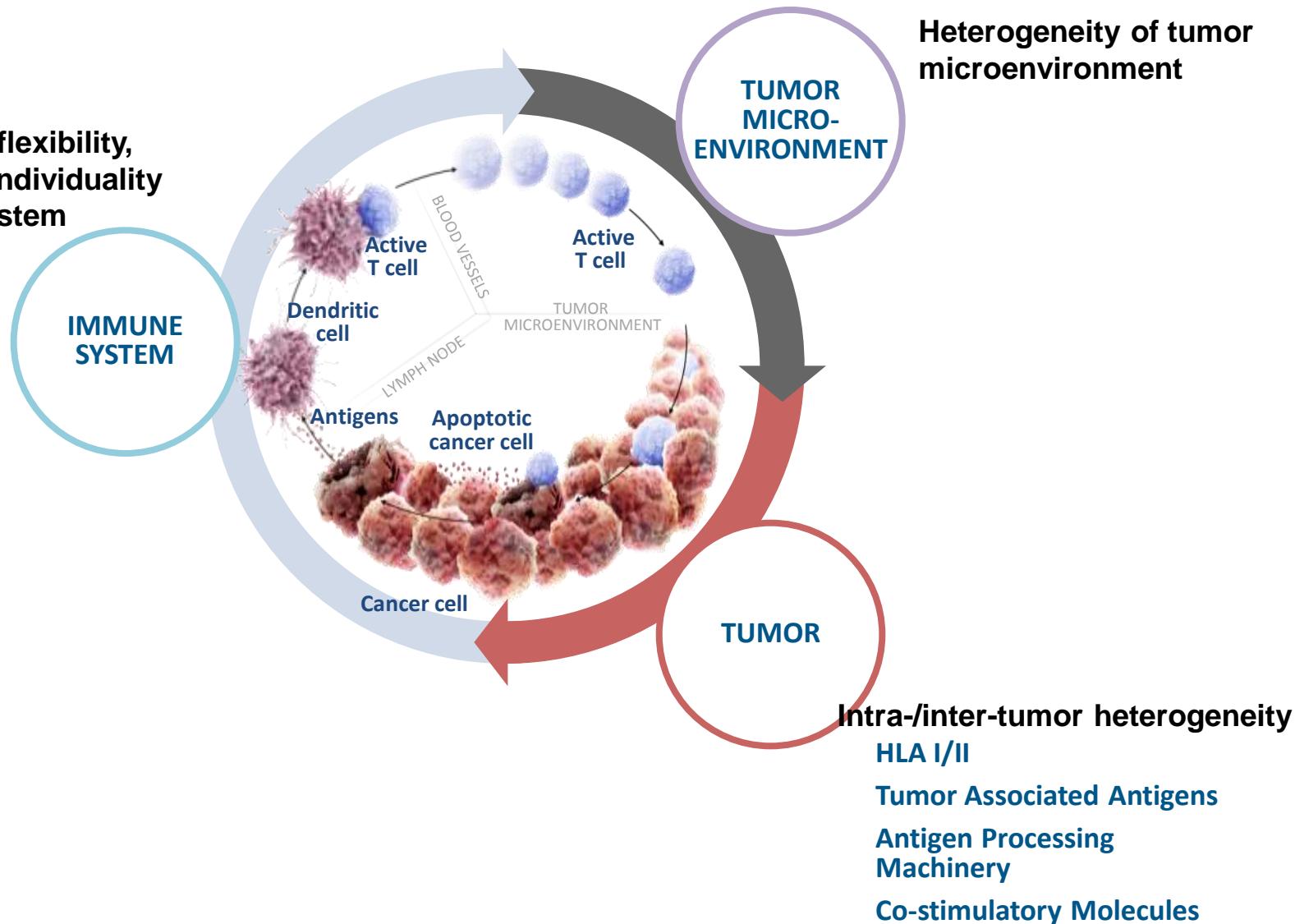
^a95% CI: nivo + chemo (4.3, 9.1 mo), nivo + ipi (2.7, NR mo), chemo (4.0, 6.8 mo); ^b95% CI: nivo + chemo (4.2, 6.9 mo), nivo + ipi (1.6, 5.4 mo), chemo (3.9, 6.2 mo)

Predictive role of TMB: open questions

- TMB is a dynamic marker
- Different cutoff utilized in early phase studies
- Immune chekpoint blockade could be effective also in tumors with a low TMB (kidney)
- Assay not easy (time, expensive....)

The complexity (*hurdles*) of biomarkers in I-O

High complexity, flexibility, adaptability and individuality of the immune system



Tumor-permissive

Tumor non-permissive

pre-existing immunity



T-cell migration defect



Immune desert tumors

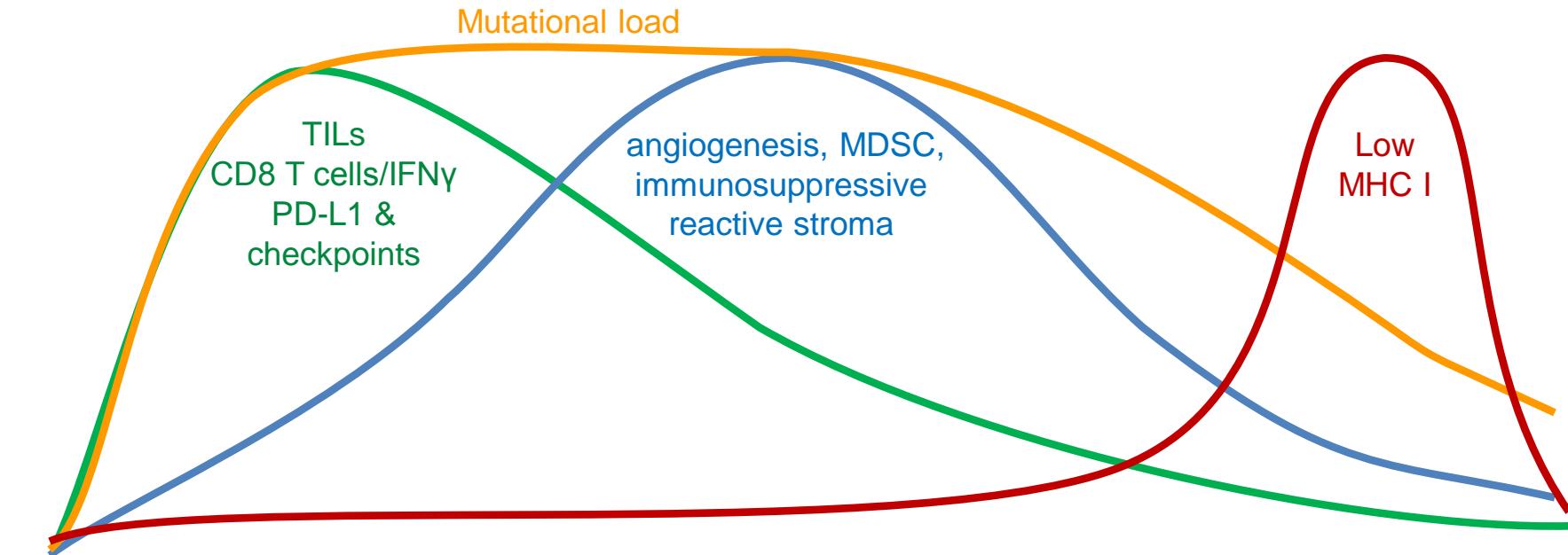


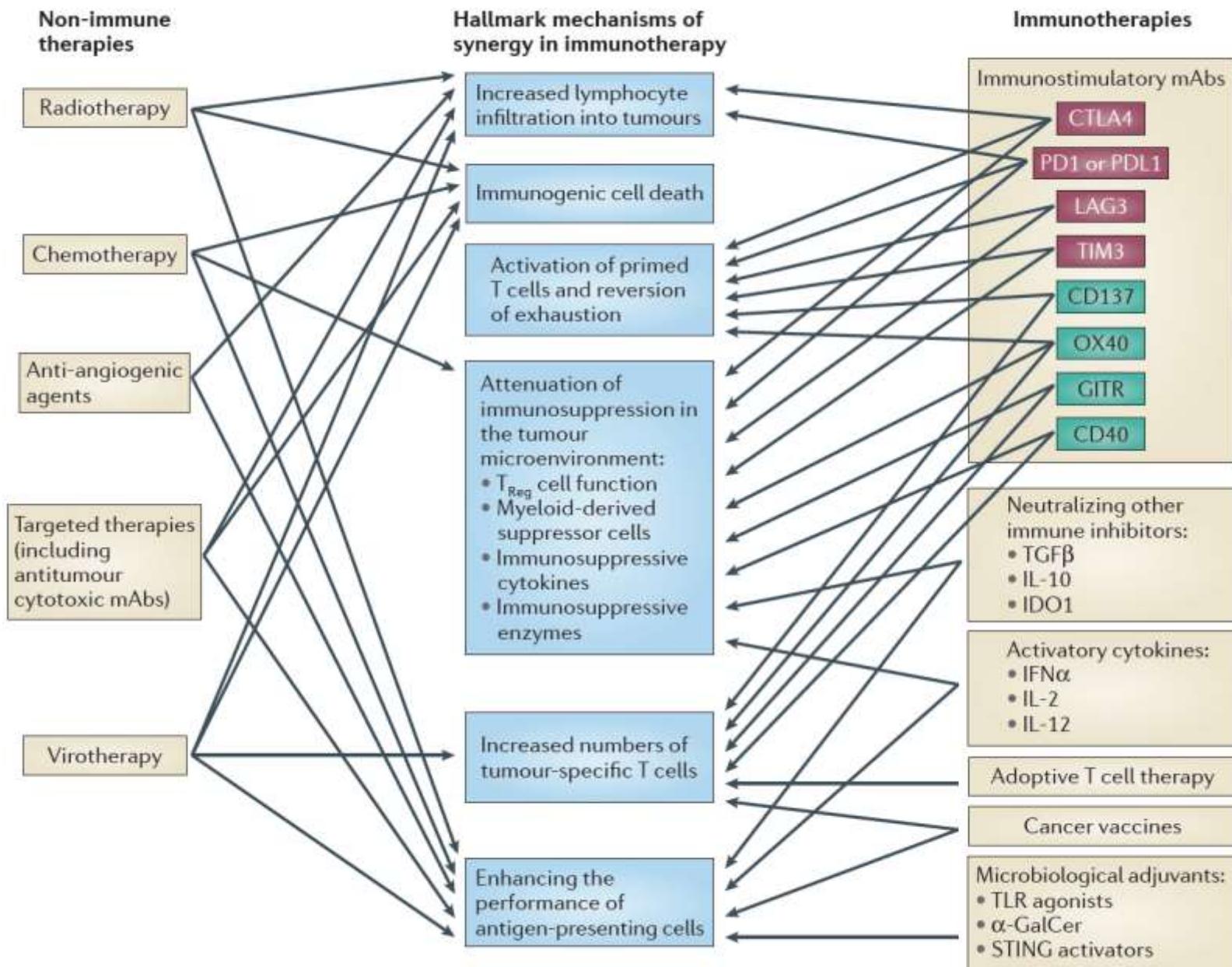
Mutational load

TILs
CD8 T cells/IFN γ
PD-L1 &
checkpoints

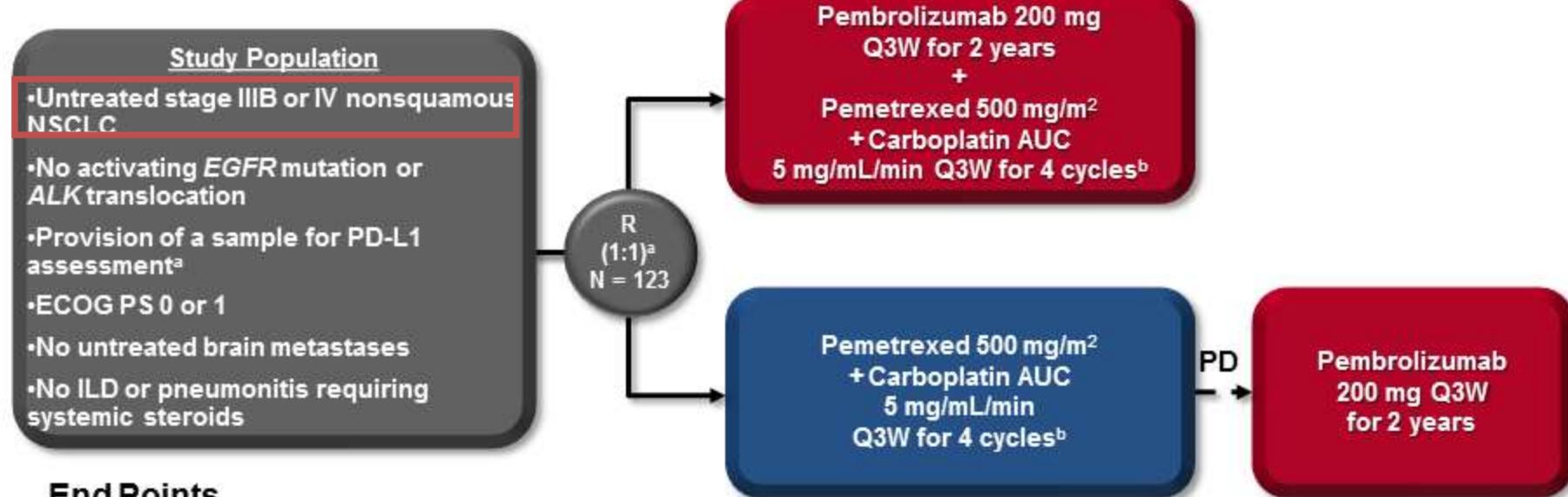
angiogenesis, MDSC,
immunosuppressive
reactive stroma

Low
MHC I





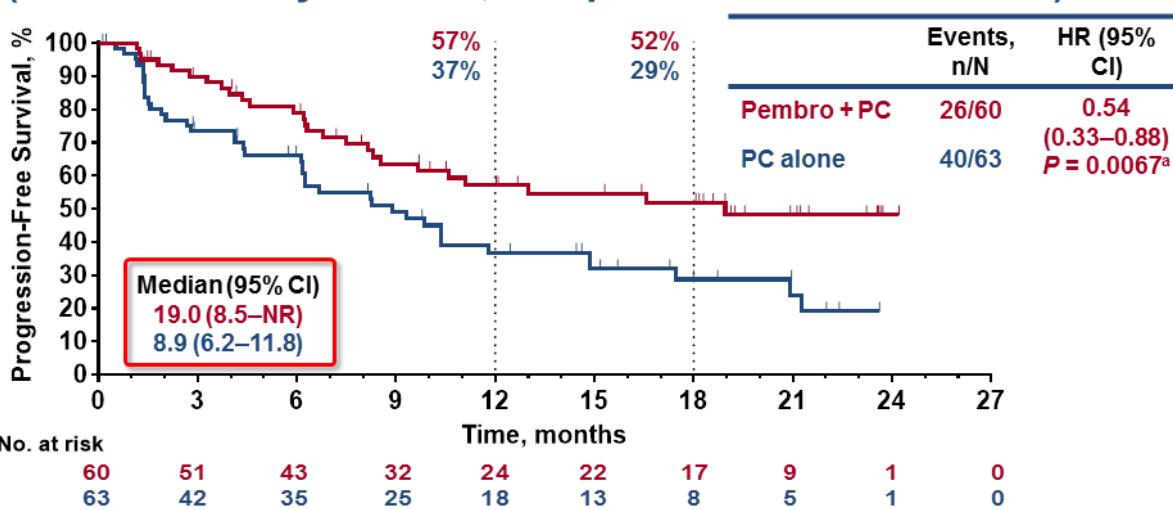
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End Points

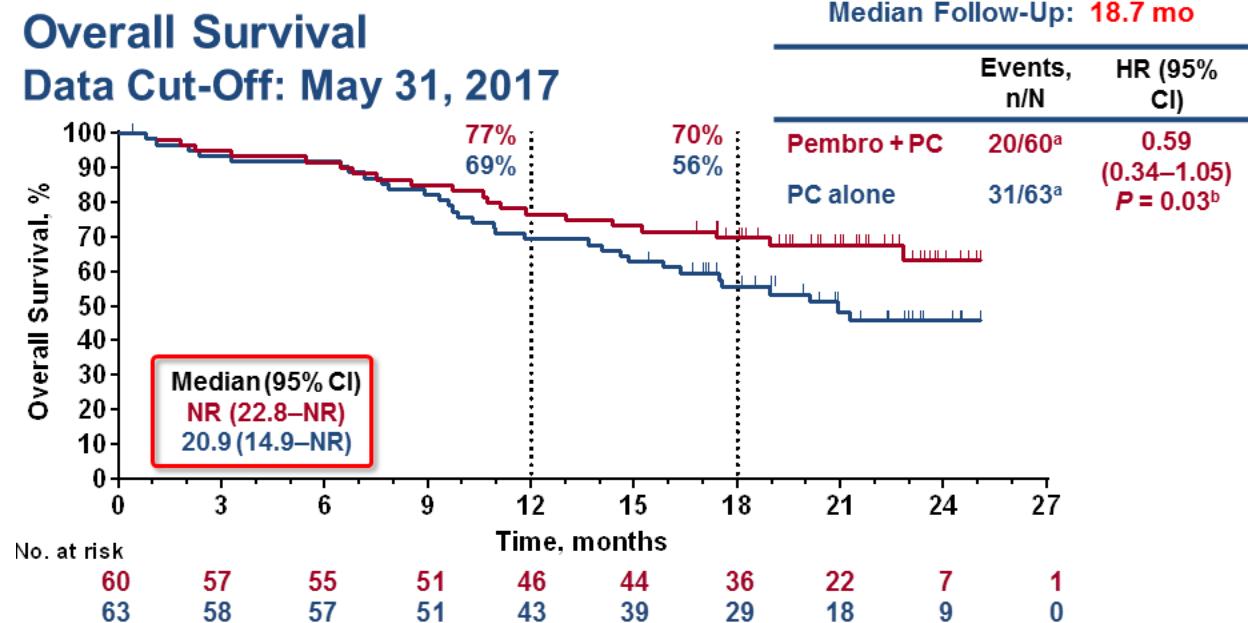
- Primary: ORR (RECIST v1.1 per blinded, independent central review)
- Key secondary: PFS
- Other secondary: OS, safety, relationship between antitumor activity and PD-L1 TPS
- No alpha allocated for updated analysis; all *P* values are nominal (one-sided *P* < 0.025)

Progression-Free Survival (RECIST v1.1 by Blinded, Independent Central Review)

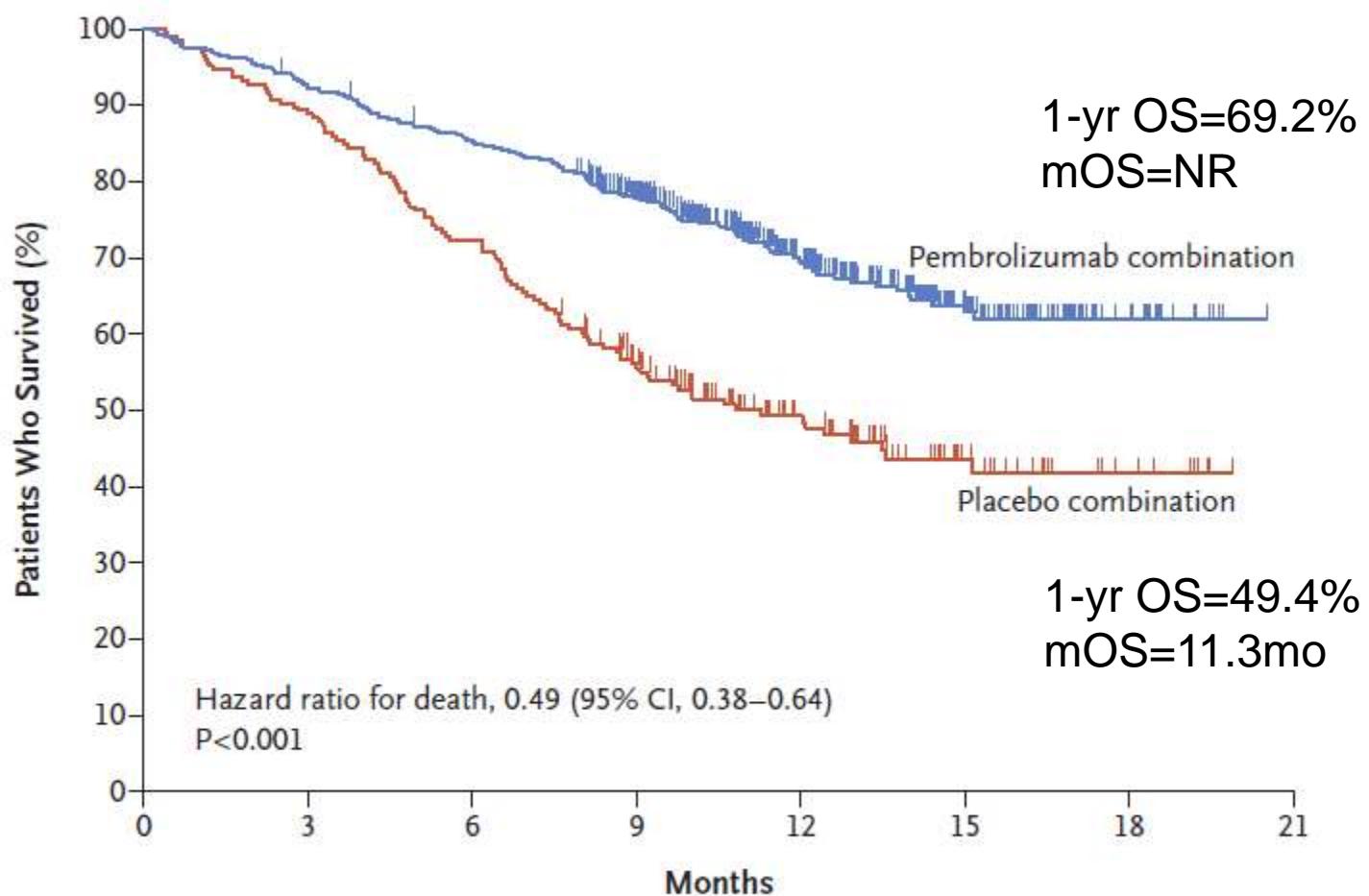


Overall Survival

Data Cut-Off: May 31, 2017



KEYNOTE-189 - Overall Survival

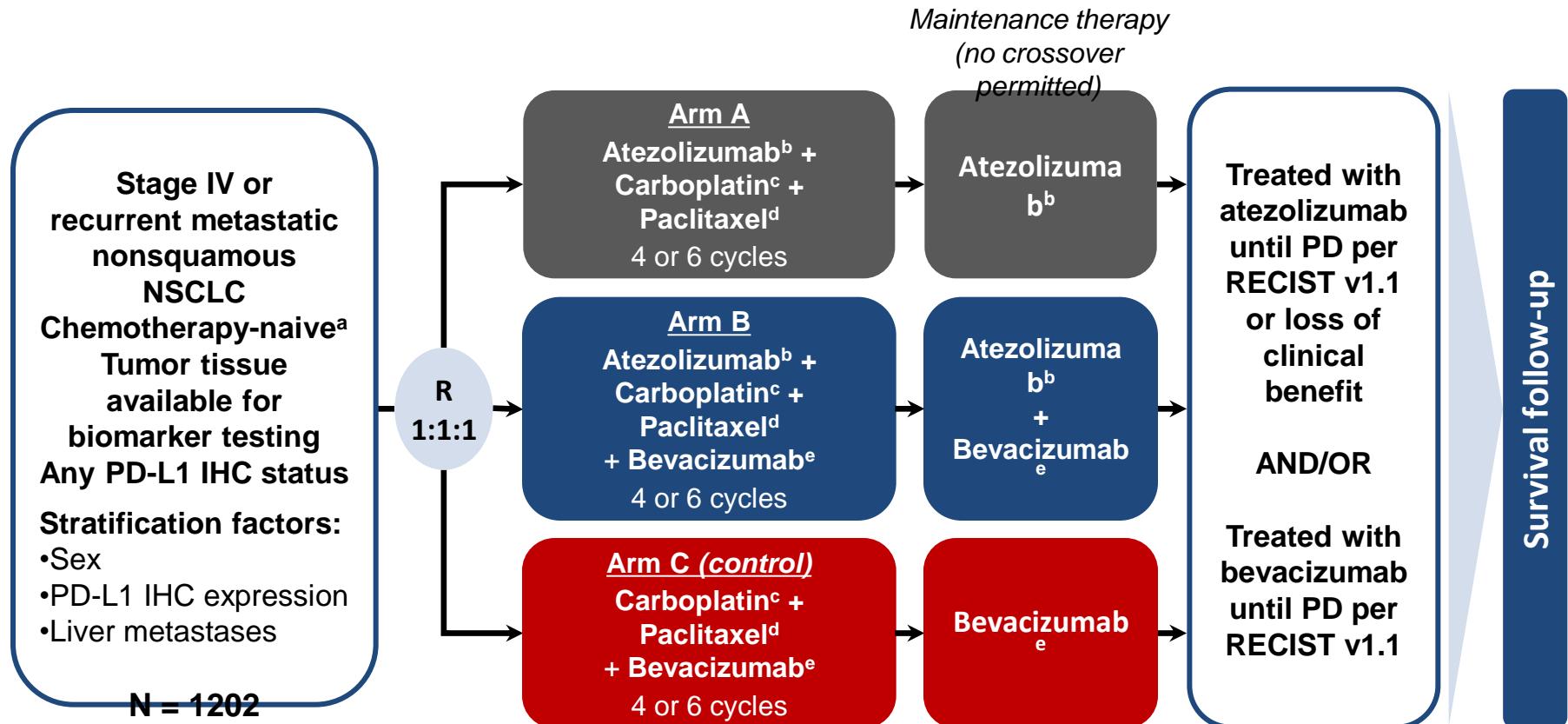


No. at Risk

Pembrolizumab combination
Placebo combination

410	377	347	278	163	71	18	0
206	183	149	104	59	25	8	0

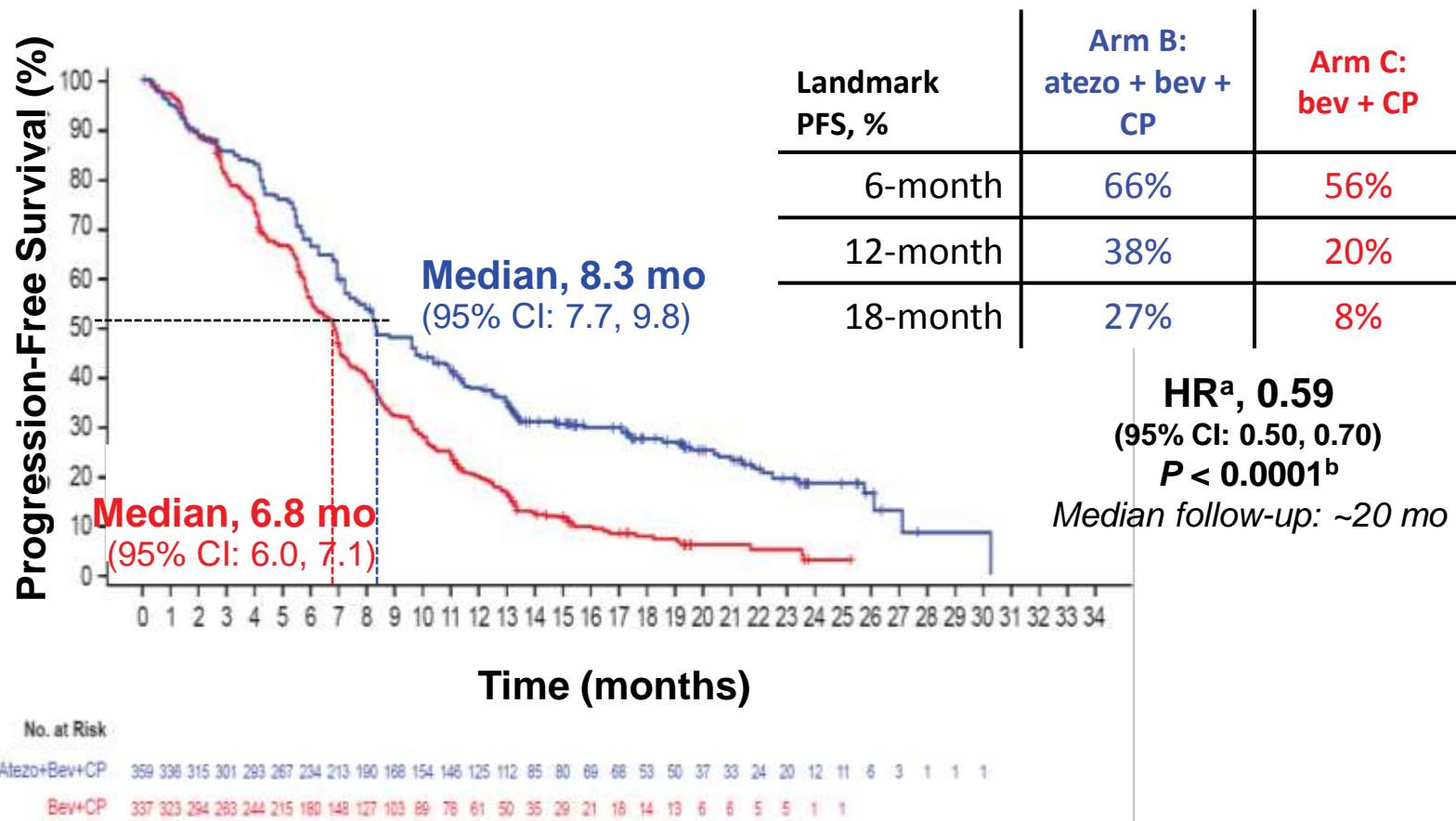
IMpower150 Study Design



^a Patients with a sensitizing EGFR mutation or ALK translocation must have disease progression or intolerance of treatment with one or more approved targeted therapies.

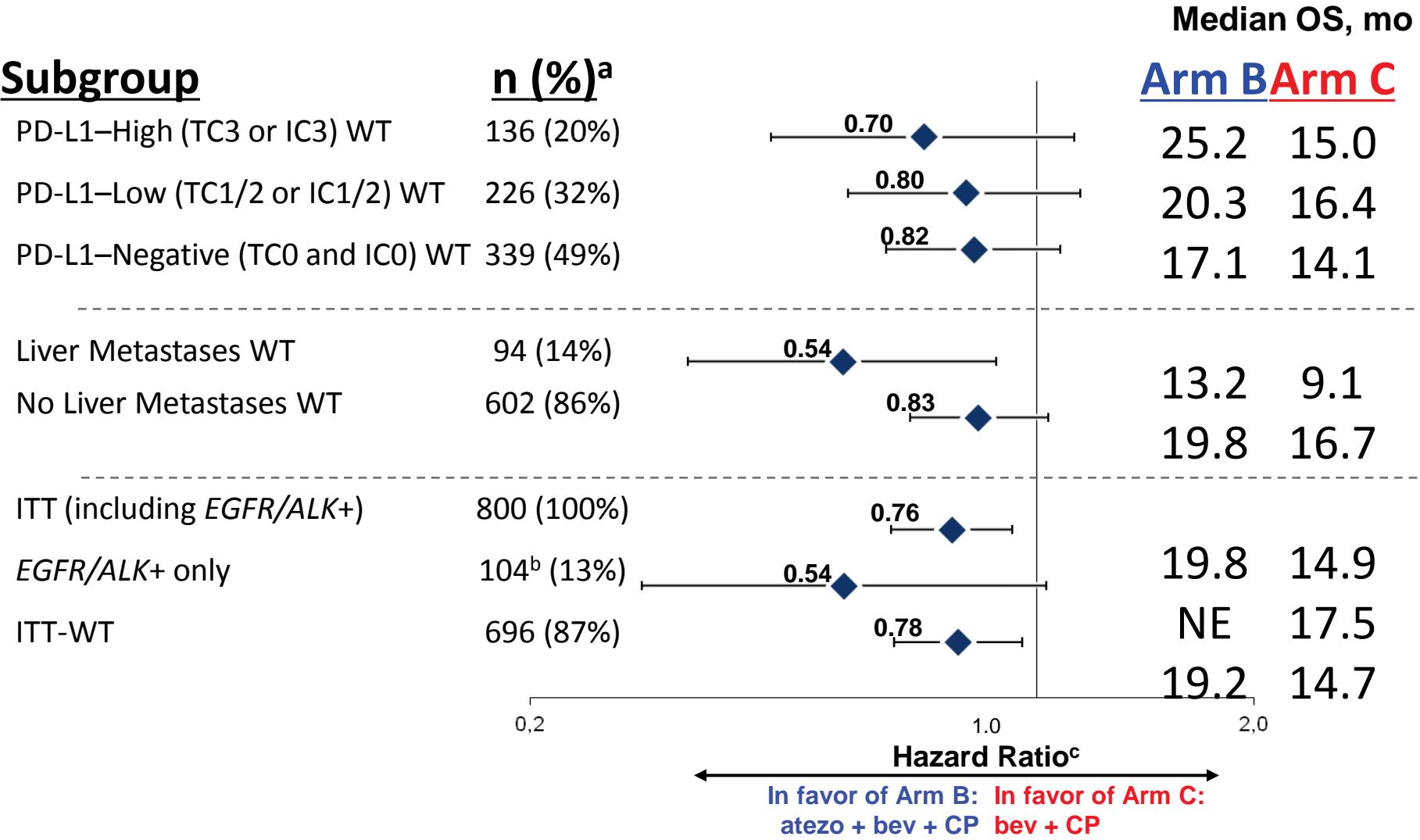
^b Atezolizumab: 1200 mg IV q3w. ^c Carboplatin: AUC 6 IV q3w. ^d Paclitaxel: 200 mg/m² IV q3w. ^e Bevacizumab: 15 mg/kg IV q3w.

Updated PFS Analysis in the ITT-WT (Arm B vs Arm C)



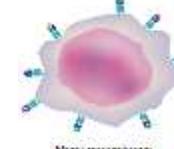
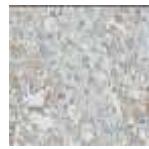
- Statistically significant and clinically meaningful PFS benefit with atezolizumab + bevacizumab + chemotherapy vs bevacizumab + chemotherapy was previously observed¹ and continued to improve with additional follow-up

OS in Key Subgroups (Arm B vs Arm C)



Future theoretical treatment scenarios

Non squamous / squamous NSCLC



Low PD-L1 (< 50%)

Low PD-L1 (< 50%)

High PD-L1 (> 50%)

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Atezolizumab+CT +/- Bevacizumab

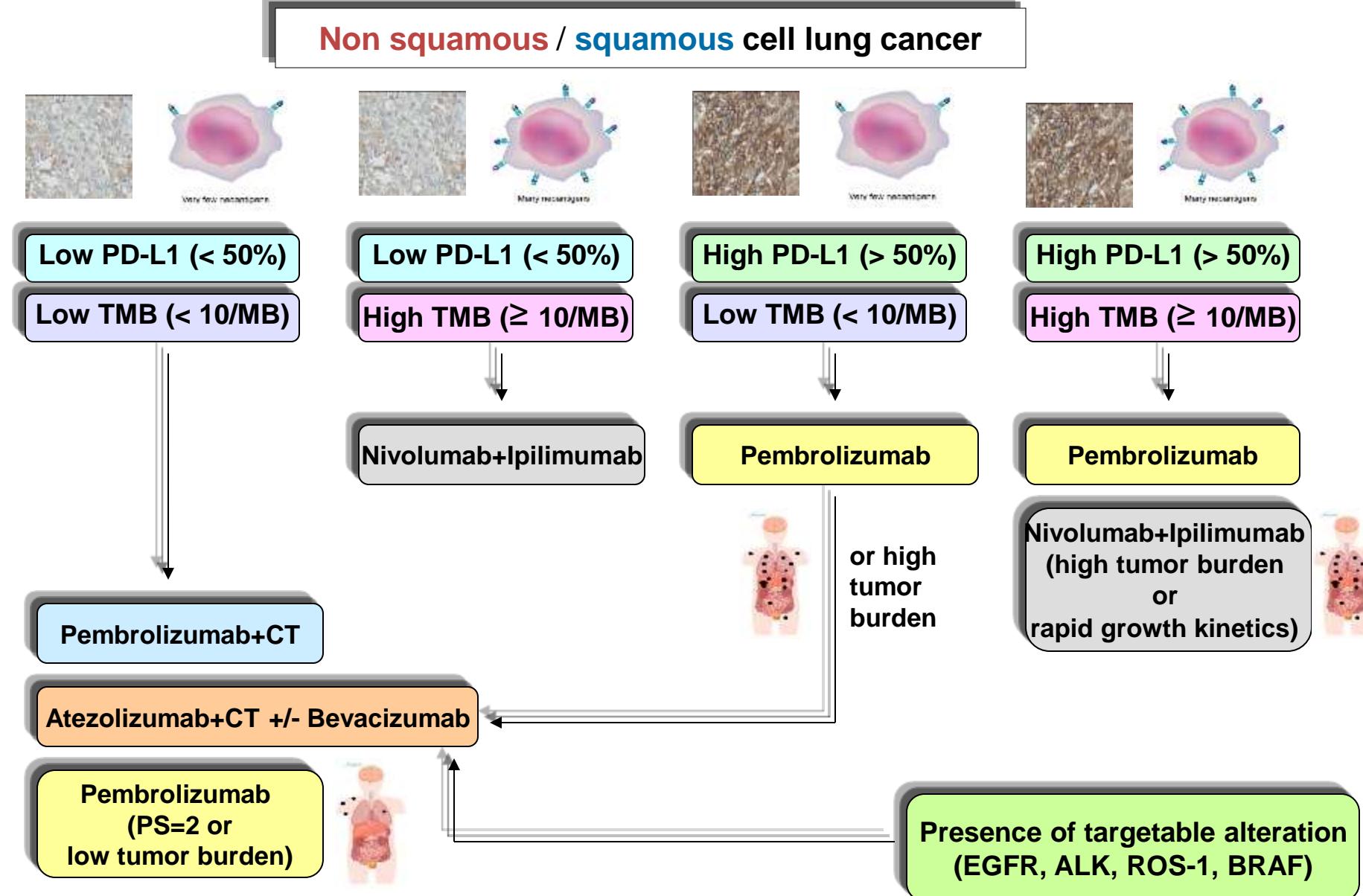
or high
tumor
burden

Nivolumab+Ipilimumab
(high tumor burden
or
rapid growth kinetics)

Pembrolizumab
(PS=2 or
low tumor burden)

Best option: enrollment in a clinical trial!

Future theoretical treatment scenarios



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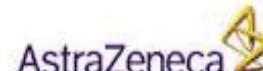
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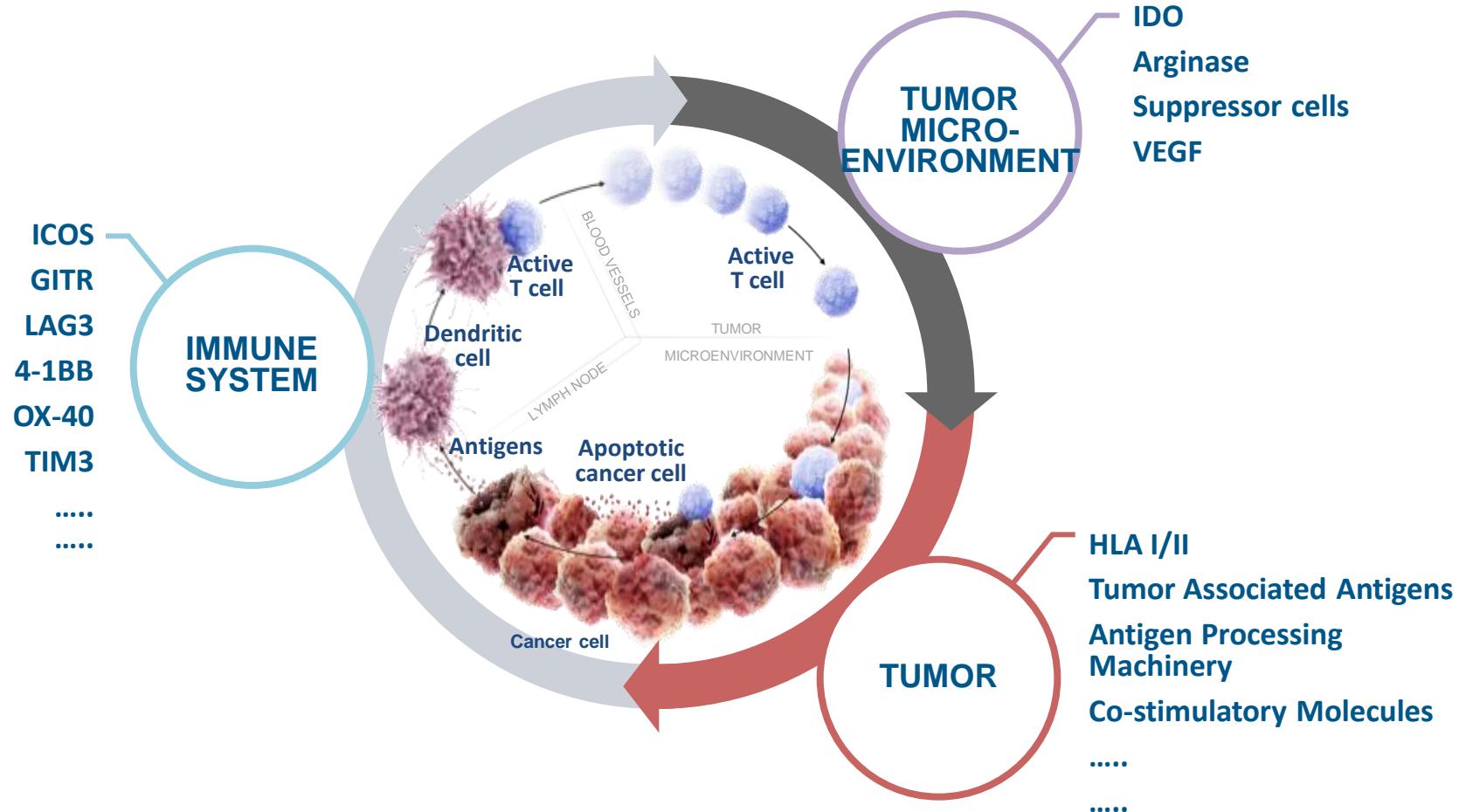
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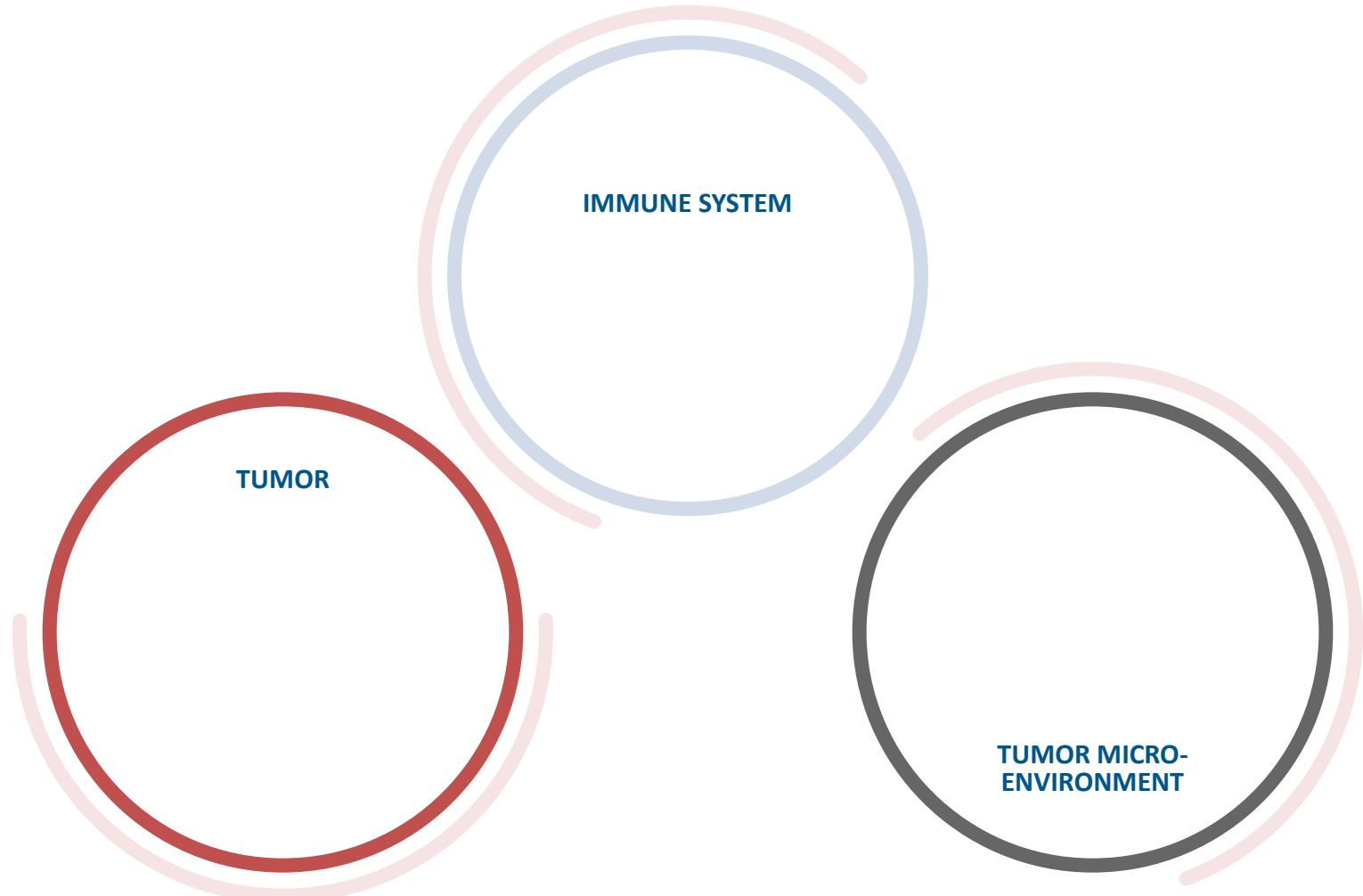


Targeting and modulating multiple compartments



The future of Cancer Immunotherapy

Part 1: Targeting and harnessing the immune system to attack tumors



Implications of this particular biomarker

- Assessment of immune cells
 - Relevance of immune cells present?
 - Cytology samples lack architecture
- Rule in / Rule out
 - Biomarker to predict patient **will** benefit (and to what degree)
 - Biomarker to predict patient will **not** benefit
 - 10% is easier than 5% is easier than 1%
- A complex assessment!

Biomarker not predictive in Squamous (017) but predictive in Non-Squamous (057)

- Same drug, same biomarker
- Current/Former smokers
 - 017 - 92% 057 - 79.5%, EGFR/ALK in 17.5%
- **Greater mutational load in 017 squamous cell cancers?**
- Immune system and squamous versus glandular epithelia?
- Does the immune status or immune microenvironment differ between these patients?
- Immune infiltrates in and around tumours differ.
- Does the mutation burden make a difference? Are immunomodulatory mechanisms different?
- Are the cut offs correct? Are 1, 5 & 10% too low?

PD-L1 immunohistochemistry as a biomarker

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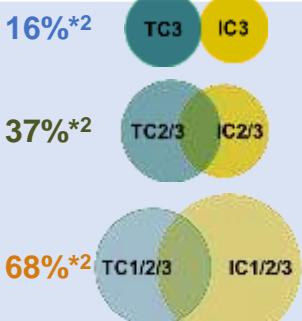
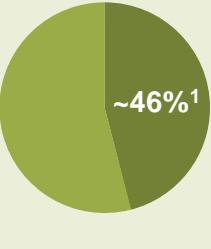
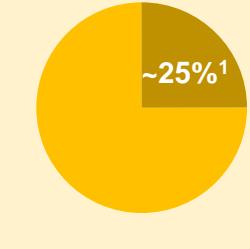
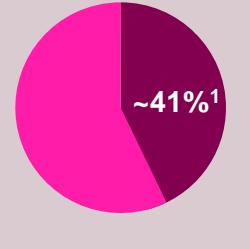
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Recently presented results with anti-PD-1 and anti-PD-L1 mAb for NSCLC

Compound	n	Study population	Treatment	ORR (RECIST)	OS	Treatment-related grade 3/4 AEs
Anti-PD-1 antibodies						
Nivolumab CMSTO (2014)	129	Pretreated advanced solid tumors, NSCLC subanalysis	Nivolumab 1, 3 or 10 mg/kg iv. q2w	17% (all doses) 15% in PD-L1+ 14% in PD-L1-	Median: 9.9 months 1 year: 42% 2 year: 24%	14% (mostly fatigue), three treatment-related deaths (pneumonia)
Nivolumab CMSTO (2014)	20	First-line advanced NSCLC	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg iv. q2w	30% 50% in PD-L1+ 0% in PD-L1-	Median: NR 1 year: 75%	20% (liver tests, hyperglycemia, rash)
Pembrolizumab ESMO (2014)	217	Pretreated advanced NSCLC	Pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg q3w or 10 mg/kg q3w or 10 mg/kg q2w	20% (all doses) 37% in strong PD-L1+, 17% in weak PD-L1+, 10% in PD-L1-	Median: 8.2 months 6 month: 59%	9% (mostly pneumonitis)
Pembrolizumab ESMO (2014)	38	First-line advanced NSCLC	Pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg q3w or 10 mg/kg q3w or 10 mg/kg q2w	26% (all doses)	Median: NR 6 month: 86%	One grade 3 pericardial effusion
Anti-PD-L1-antibodies						
MPDL3280A ESMO (2014)	53	Pretreated advanced NSCLC	MPDL3280A 1–20 mg/kg iv. q3w	50% in PD-L1+ 15% in PD-L1-	–	12%
MEDI4736 ASCO (2014)	13	Advanced NSCLC (mostly pretreated)	MEDI4736 0.1–10 mg/kg iv. q2w or 15 mg/kg iv. q3w	23% (all doses) 26% in PD-L1+ 10% in PD-L1-	–	0% (all AEs were grade 1–2)

AE: Adverse event; ASCO: American Society of Clinical Oncology meeting; CMSTO: Chicago Multidisciplinary Symposium on Thoracic Oncology; ESMO: European Society of Medical Oncology meeting; iv.: Intravenous; NSCLC: Non-small-cell lung cancer; ORR: Objective response rate; OS: Overall survival; Q2w: Every 2 weeks; q3w: Every 3 weeks.

PD-L1 expression as biomarker

	 Atezolizumab	 Nivolumab	 Pembrolizumab	 Durvalumab
Detection antibody ¹	SP142	28-8	22C3	SP263
IHC platform ¹	Ventana	Dako	Dako	Ventana
Tested cells	NSCLC (IC and TC) UBC (IC)	Lung (TC)	NSCLC (TC) UBC (TC and stroma)	NSCLC (TC)
Estimated PD-L1 prevalence in NSCLC	 16%* ² TC3 IC3 37%* ² TC2/3 IC2/3 68%* ² TC1/2/3 IC1/2/3	 PD-L1+ as ≥5% of TCs	 PD-L1+ as ≥50% of TCs	 PD-L1+ as ≥25% of TCs

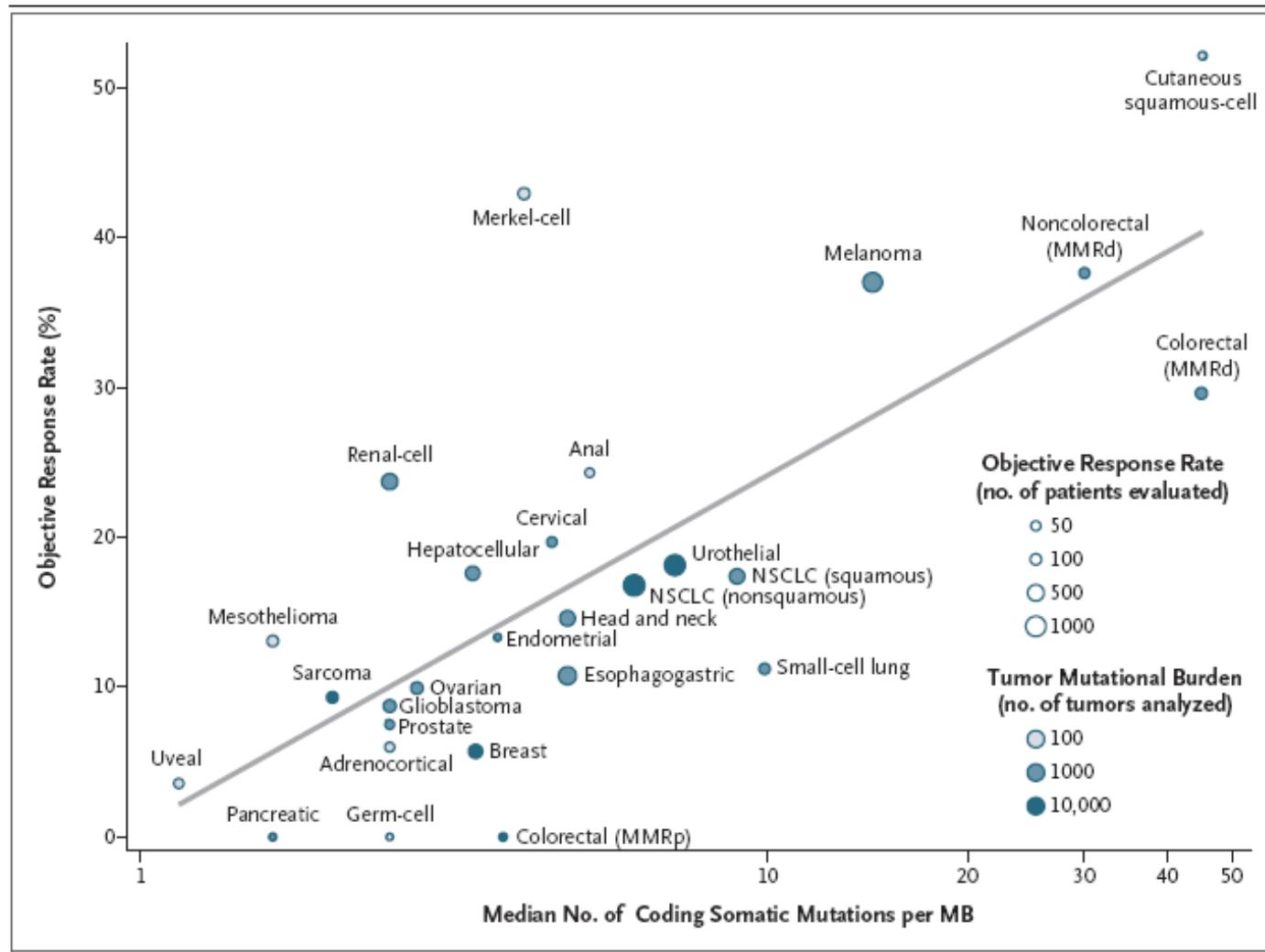
IC, immune cells; TC, tumour cell; UBC, urothelial bladder cancer

1. Kerr KM, et al. *J Thorac Oncol* 2015;10(7):985–9;
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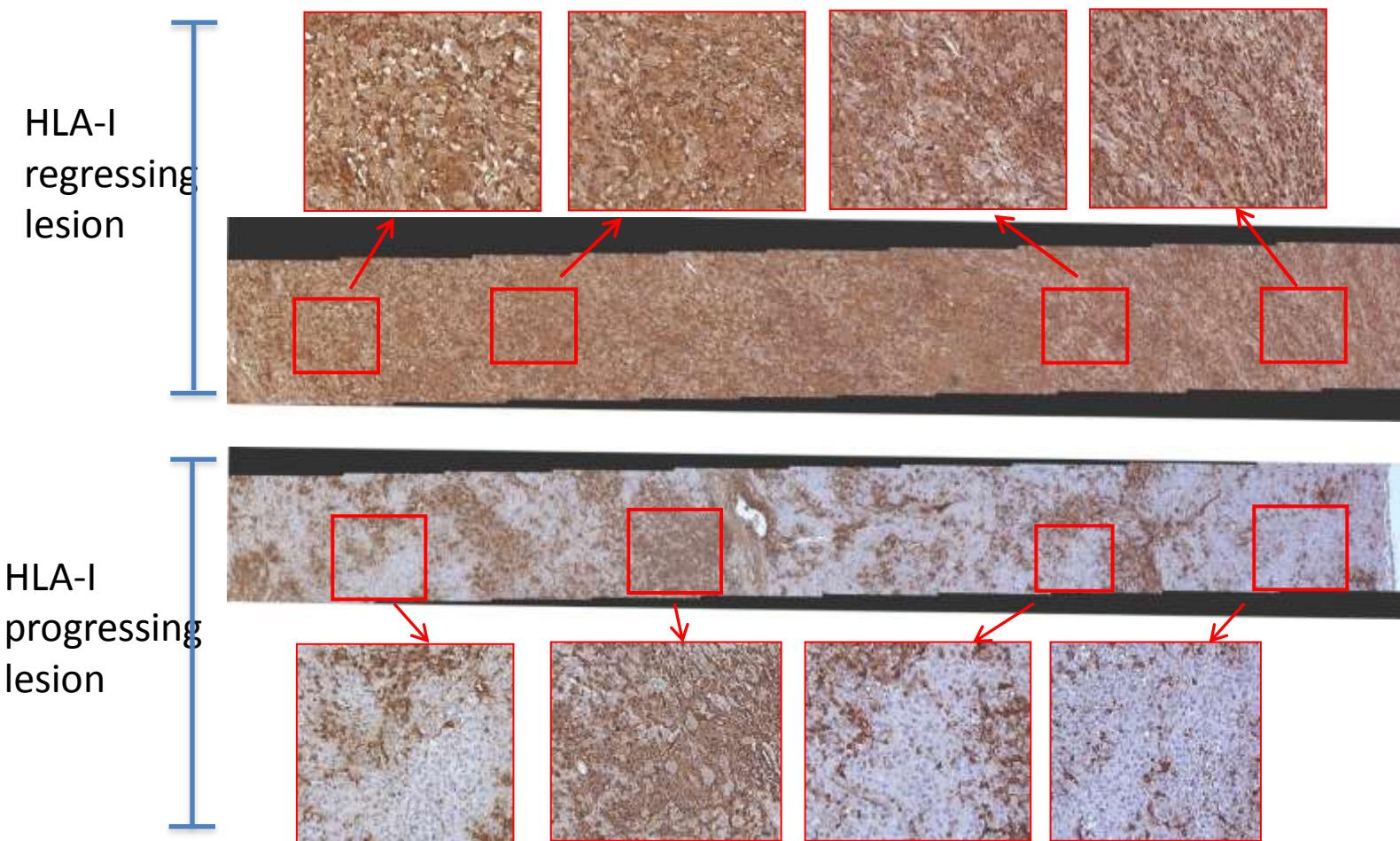
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Correlation between TMB and ORR with anti-PD1 and PDL1 therapy in 27 tumor types



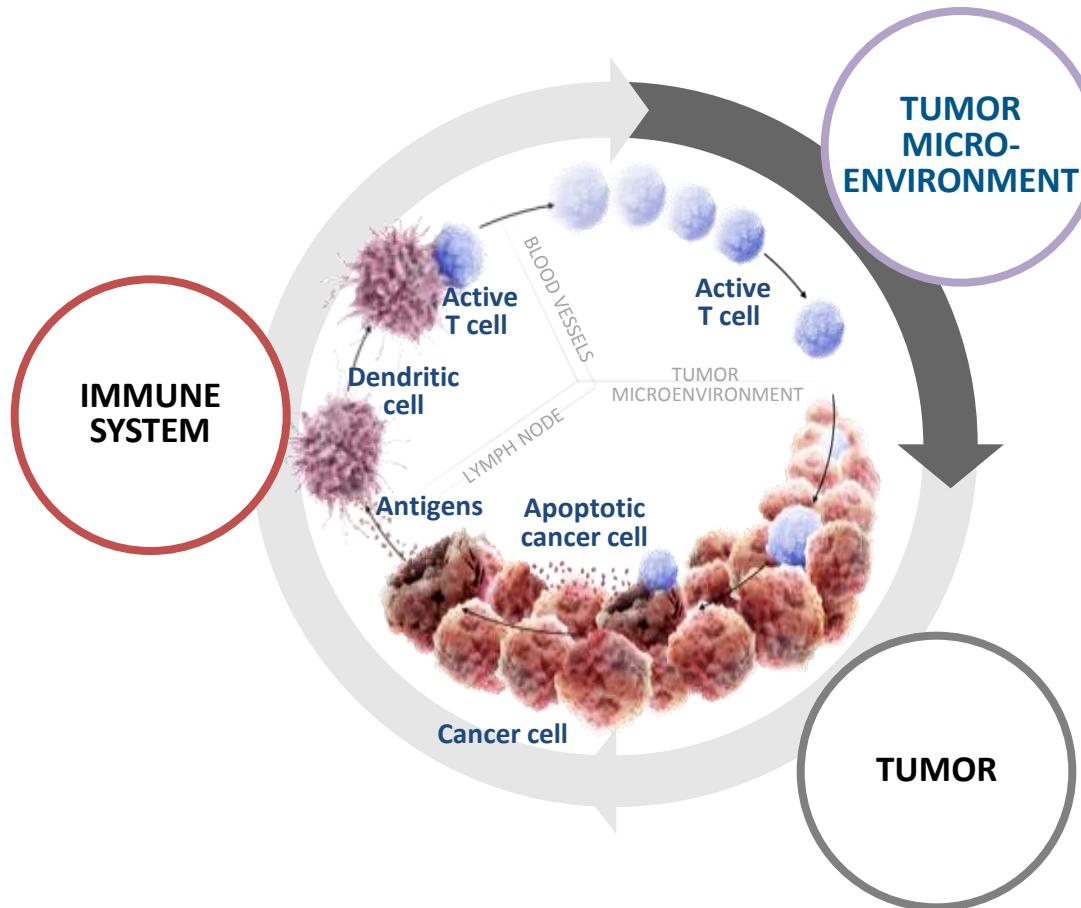
Why some patients do not respond to immunotherapy?

The gene expression profile of the tumor microenvironment as an approach to the identification of mechanisms of resistance to immune checkpoint blockade

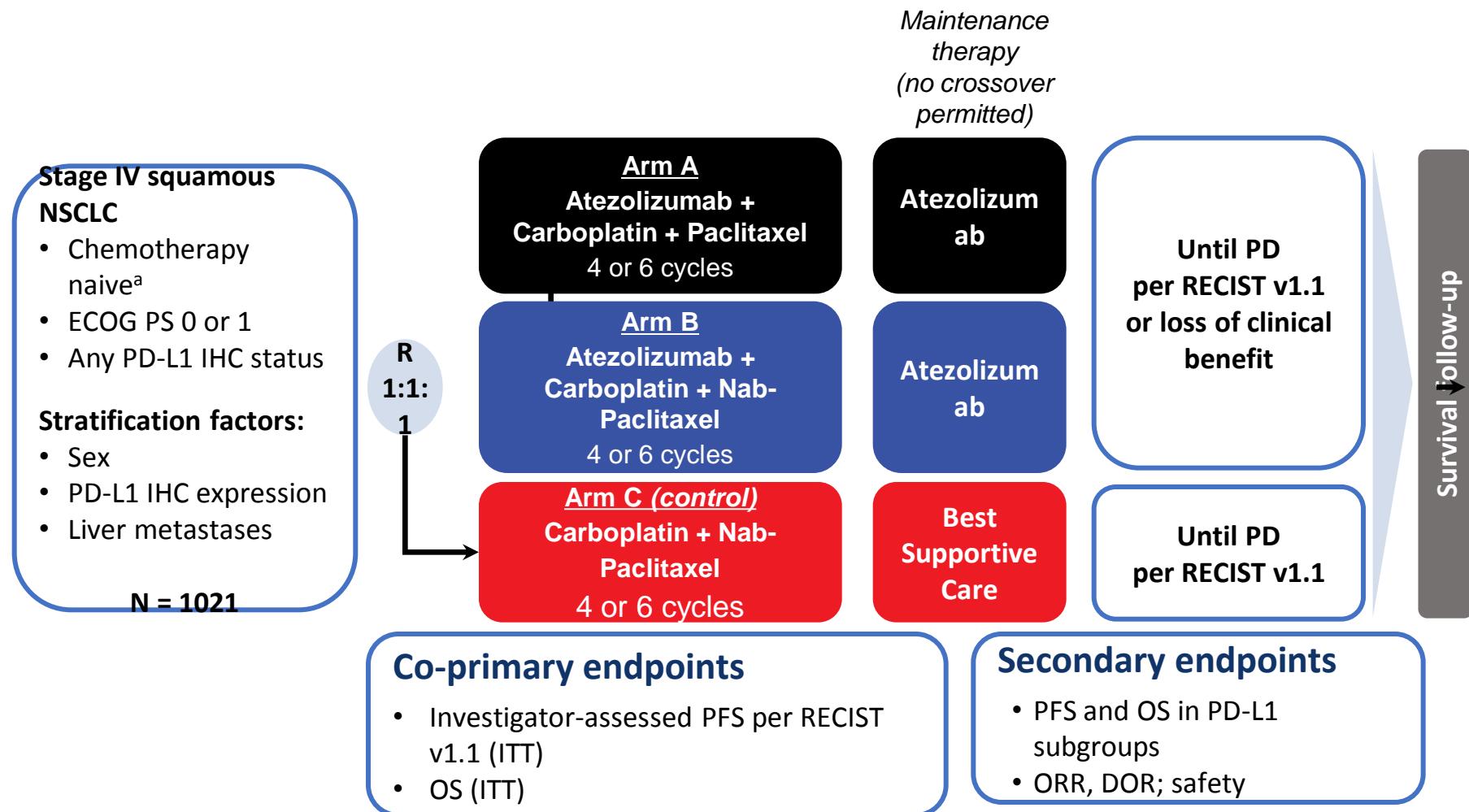


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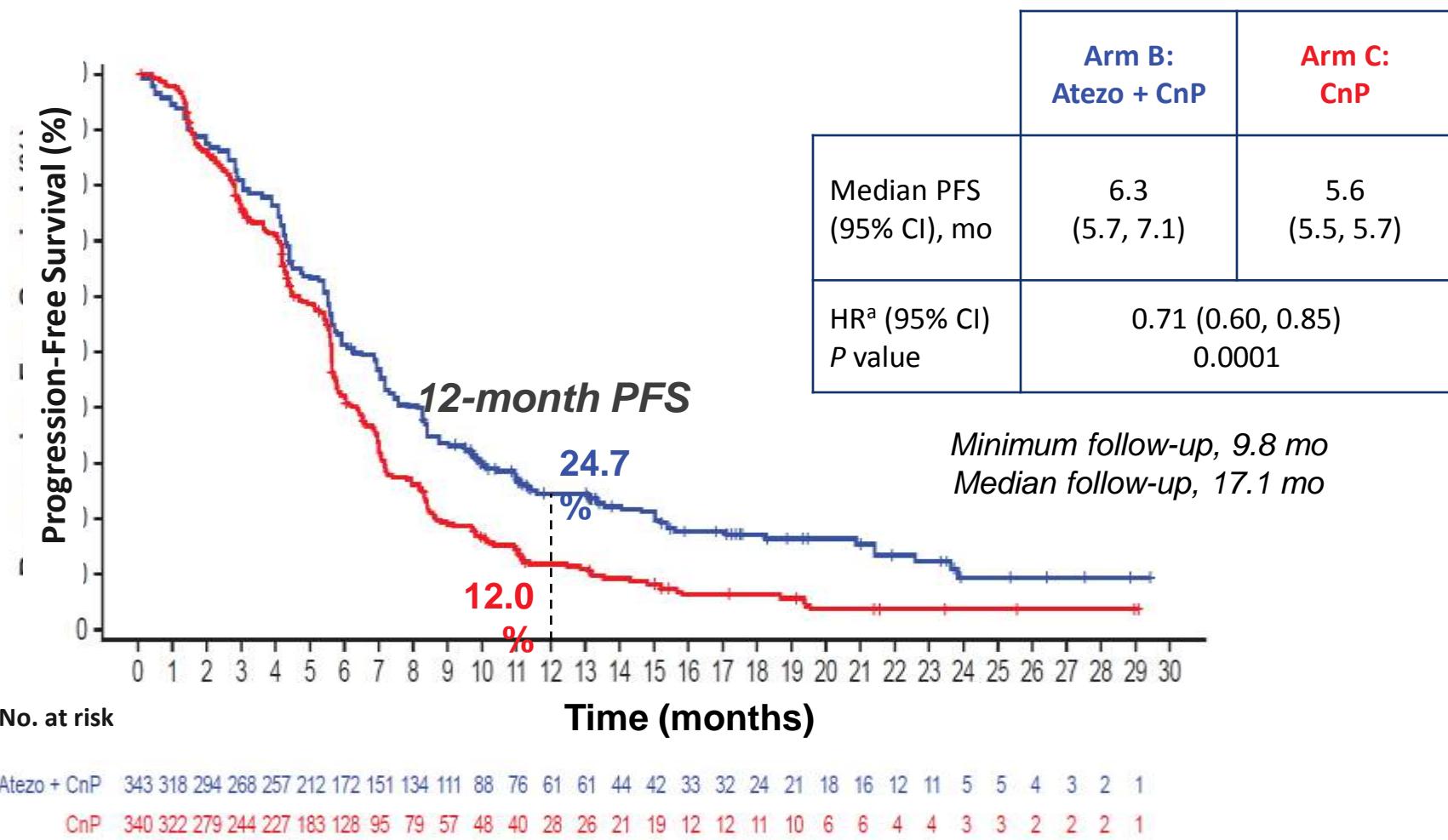
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IMpower131: Study Design

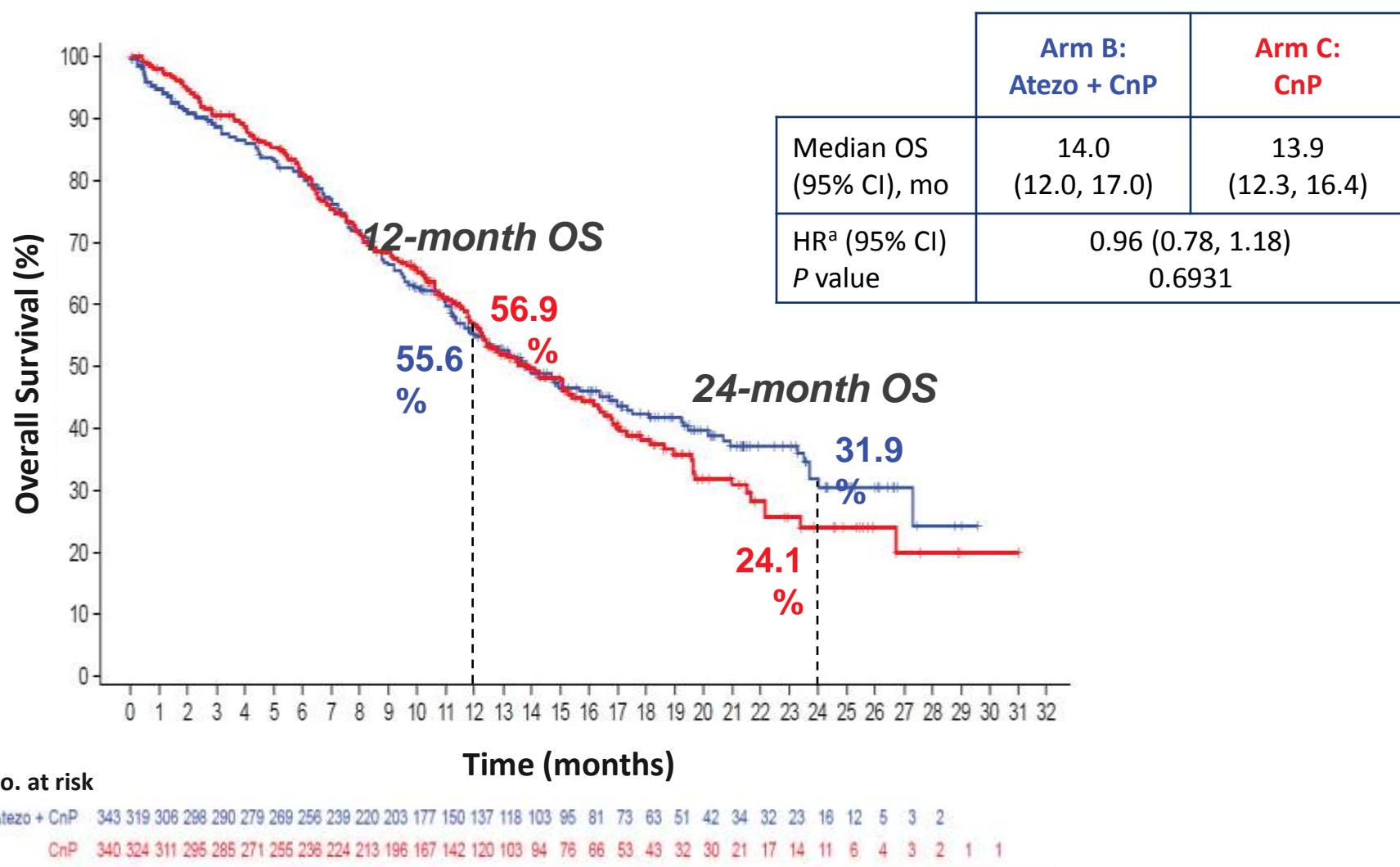


INV-Assessed PFS in the ITT Population (Arm B vs Arm C)



Data cutoff: January 22, 2018.
INV, investigator. ^a Stratified HR.

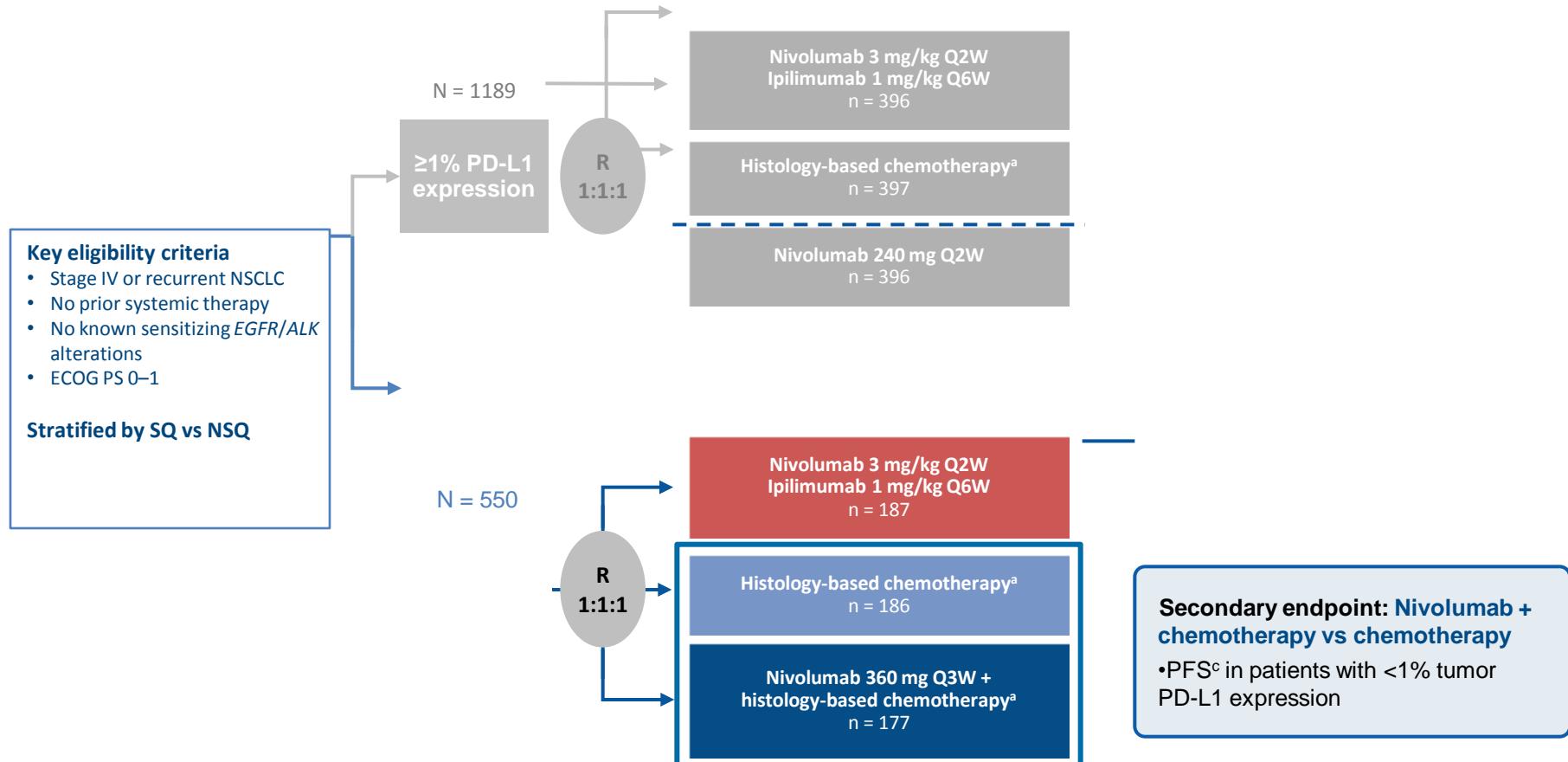
First Interim OS in the ITT Population (Arm B vs Arm C)



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CheckMate 227 Part 1 Study Design

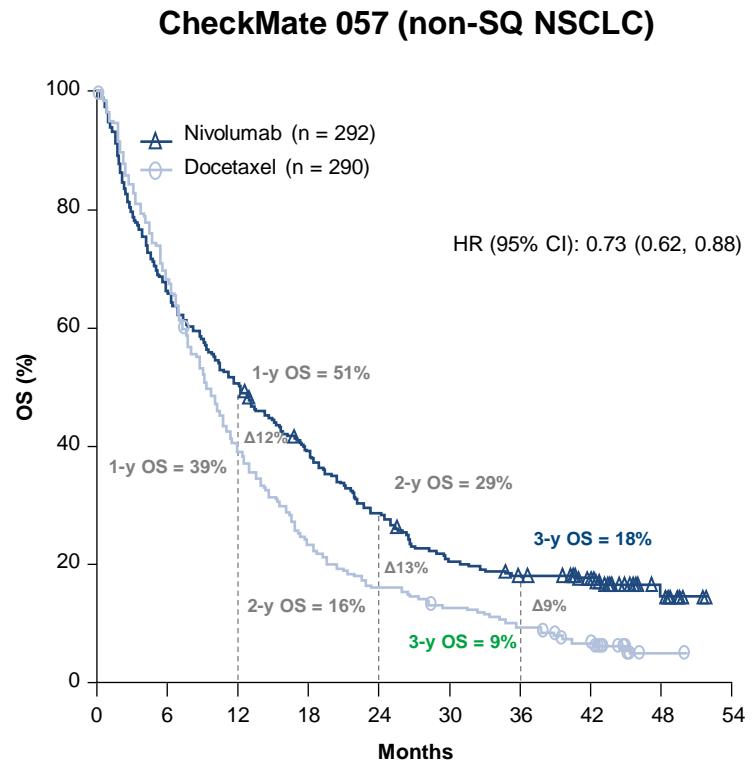
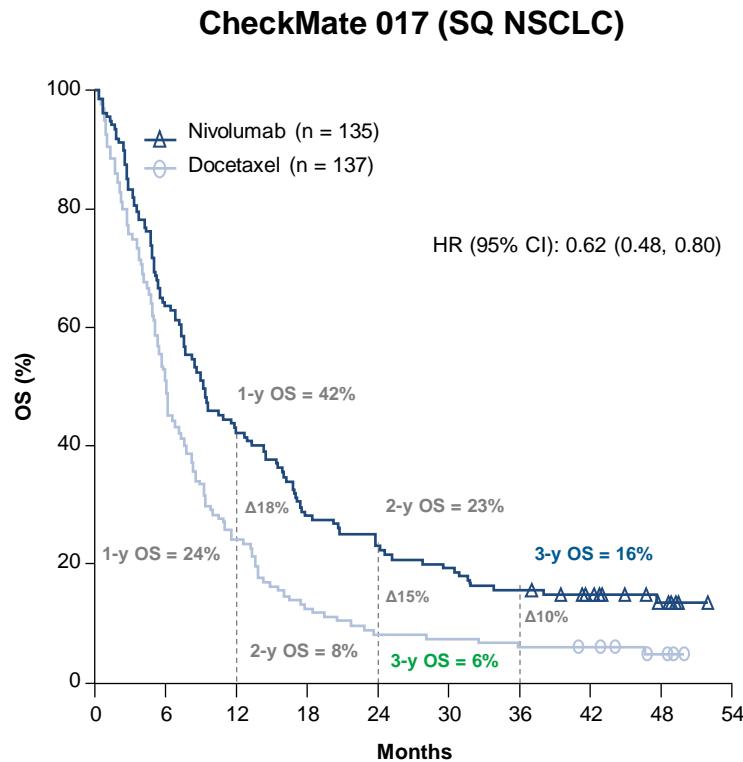


- Co-primary endpoints: OS in PD-L1-selected populations and PFS^c in TMB-selected populations treated with nivolumab + ipilimumab vs chemotherapy

Database lock: January 24, 2018; minimum follow-up: 11.2 months

^aNSQ: pemetrexed + cisplatin or carboplatin, Q3W for ≤4 cycles, with optional pemetrexed maintenance following chemotherapy or nivolumab + pemetrexed maintenance following nivolumab + chemotherapy; ^bSQ: gemcitabine + cisplatin, or gemcitabine + carboplatin, Q3W for ≤4 cycles; ^cOne patient was randomized with <1% tumor PD-L1 expression in IVRS, but was subsequently found to have ≥1% tumor PD-L1 expression; ^dPer BICR

OS (3 years' minimum follow-up)



No. of patients at risk

Nivolumab		Docetaxel									
13	86	57	38	31	26	21	16	8	0		
5											
13	69	33	17	11	10	8	7	3	0		
7											

No. of patients at risk

Nivolumab		Docetaxel									
29	19	14	11	82	58	49	39	7	0		
2	4	8	2								
29	19	11	67	46	35	26	16	1	0		
0	5	2									

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio