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**Optimizing the Management of  
Gastroesophageal Cancers**

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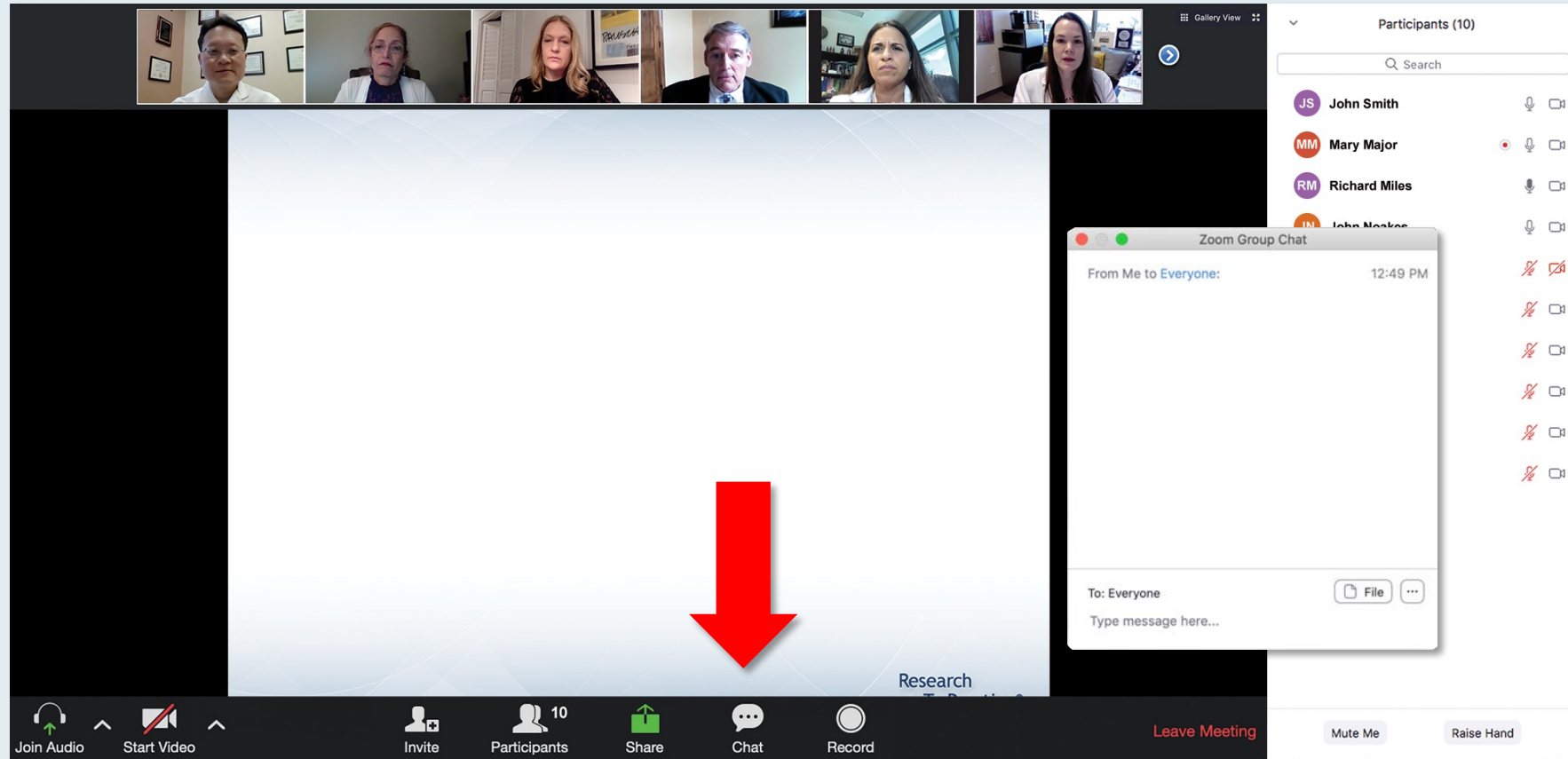
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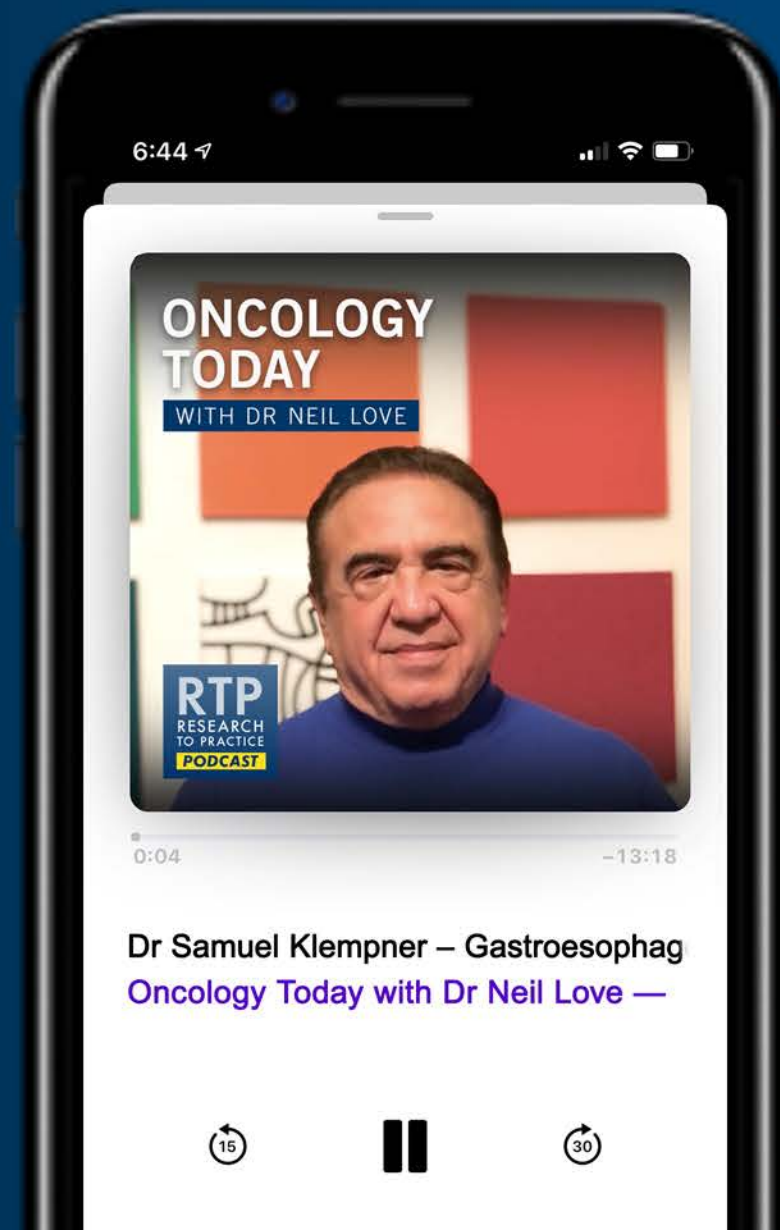
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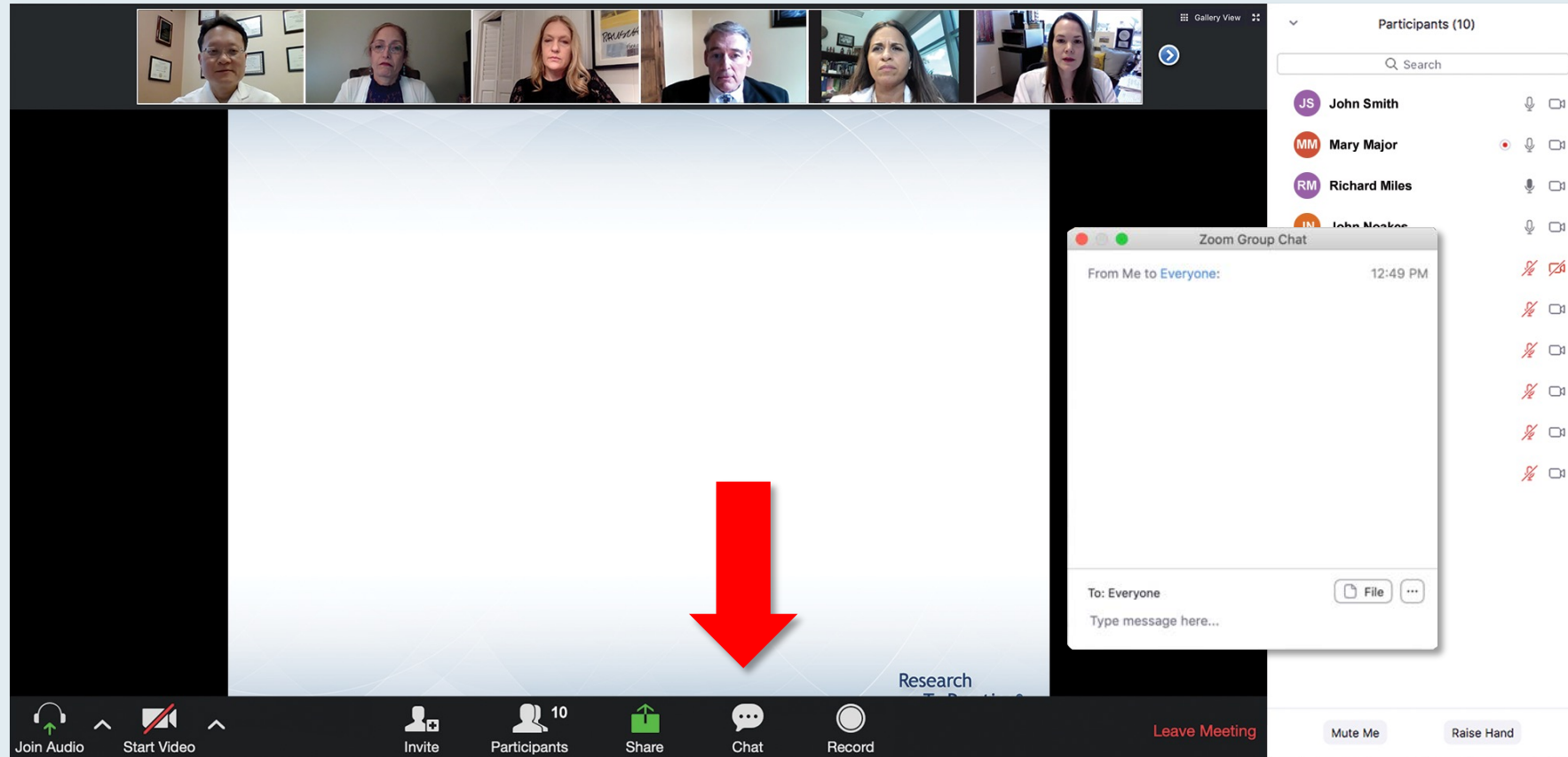


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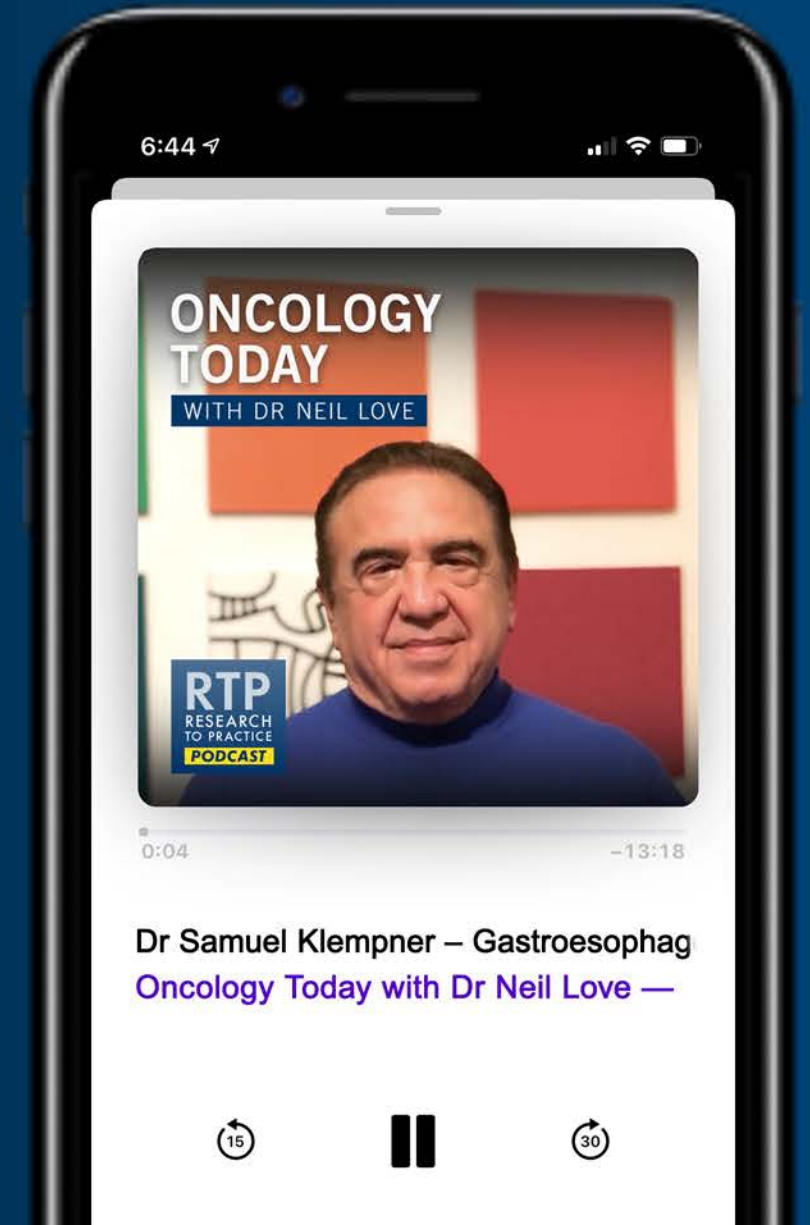
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# Meet The Professor with Dr Klempner: Management of Upper GI Cancers

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**MODULE 2: MSI-High Disease**

**MODULE 3: HER2-Negative, Microsatellite-Stable (MSS) Disease**

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# Meet The Professor with Dr Klempner: Management of Upper GI Cancers

## MODULE 1: HER2-Positive Disease

- Dr Gupta: A 76-year-old man with gastric adenocarcinoma and oligometastatic disease to the liver (PD-L1 10%, HER2-positive)
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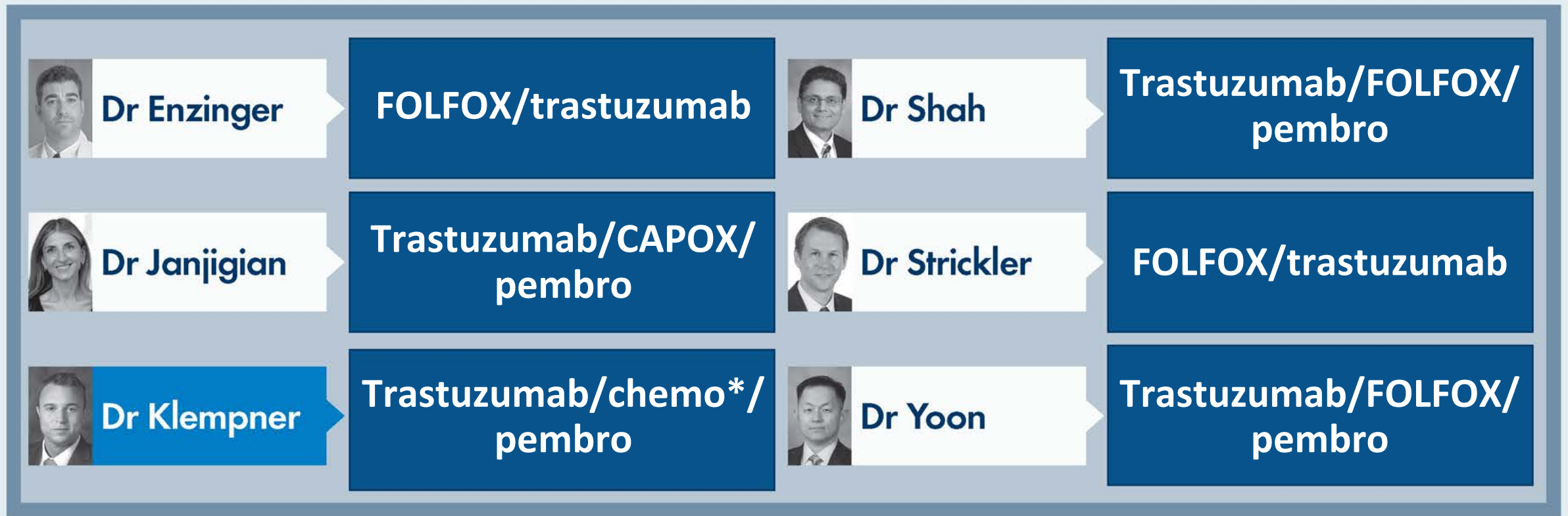
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Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would be your preferred first-line treatment for a patient with newly diagnosed metastatic HER2-positive, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma with a PD-L1 CPS of 0?



\* FOLFOX or CAPOX

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would be your preferred first-line treatment for a patient with newly diagnosed metastatic HER2-positive, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma with a PD-L1 CPS  $\geq 1$ ?

 <b>Dr Enzinger</b>	<b>Trastuzumab/FOLFOX/ pembro</b>	 <b>Dr Shah</b>	<b>Trastuzumab/FOLFOX/ pembro</b>
 <b>Dr Janjigian</b>	<b>Trastuzumab/CAPOX/ pembro</b>	 <b>Dr Strickler</b>	<b>FOLFOX/trastuzumab</b>
 <b>Dr Klempner</b>	<b>Trastuzumab/CAPOX/ pembro</b>	 <b>Dr Yoon</b>	<b>Trastuzumab/FOLFOX/ pembro</b>

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would you currently recommend as second-line therapy for a patient with metastatic HER2-positive, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma (PD-L1 CPS  $\geq 1$ ) with disease progression on FOLFOX/trastuzumab?



Dr Enzinger

Trastuzumab  
deruxtecan if HER2+  
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Dr Shah

Ramucirumab/  
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Dr Janjigian

CAPOX +  
pembrolizumab



Dr Strickler

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# What have you observed in terms of the tolerability of trastuzumab deruxtecan?



ILD = interstitial lung disease

# At what grade of ILD would you permanently discontinue therapy with trastuzumab deruxtecan for a patient with HER2-positive gastric/GEJ adenocarcinoma?

 <b>Dr Enzinger</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	 <b>Dr Shah</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>
 <b>Dr Janjigian</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>	 <b>Dr Strickler</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>
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# Have you or would you offer trastuzumab deruxtecan to a patient with HER2-low gastric/GEJ adenocarcinoma outside of a clinical trial?



**Dr Enzinger**

**I have not but would for the right patient**



**Dr Shah**

**I have not but would for the right patient**



**Dr Janjigian**

**I have**



**Dr Strickler**

**I have not and would not**



**Dr Klempner**

**I have not and would not**



**Dr Yoon**

**I have not and would not**



## SO-7

# Co-occurring HER2 and PD-L1 expression in patients with HER2-positive trastuzumab-refractory gastric cancer (GC)/gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma (GEJA): biomarker analysis from the trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) DESTINY-Gastric03 trial

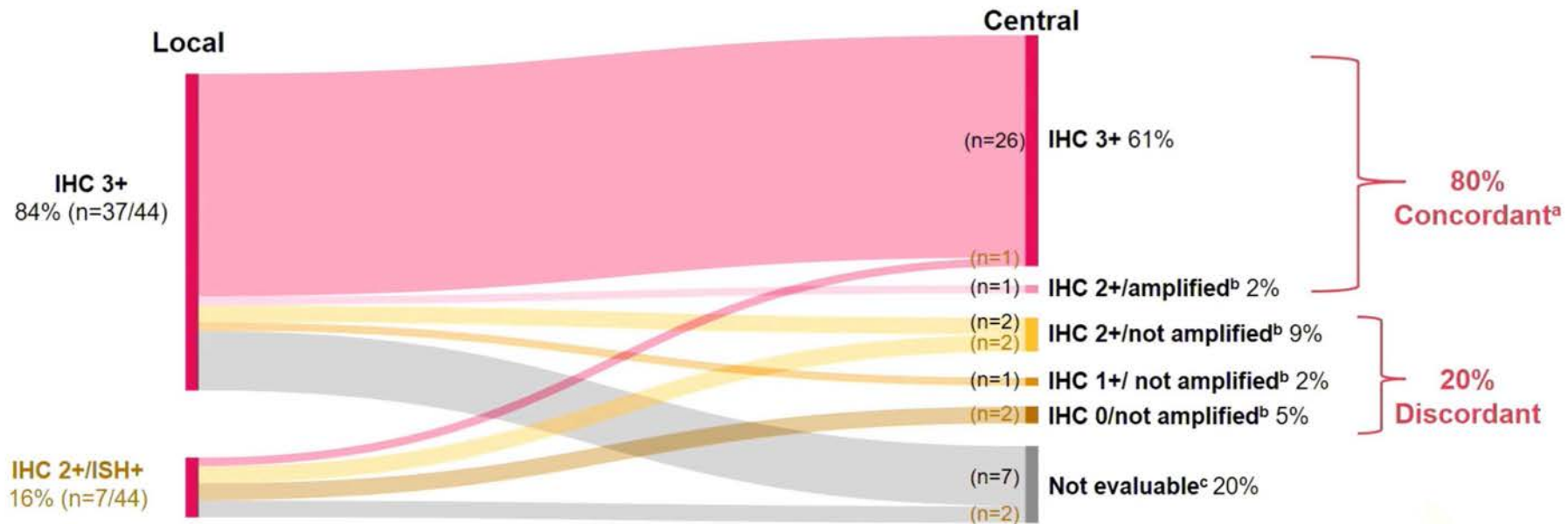
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# Discordant HER2 Assessment

## Local and Central HER2 Assessment: 20% Discordant; 80% Concordant<sup>a</sup>



HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; IHC, immunohistochemistry; ISH, in situ hybridization.

<sup>a</sup> Concordance rate was defined as the percentage of samples classified as HER2 positive by both local and central assessment.

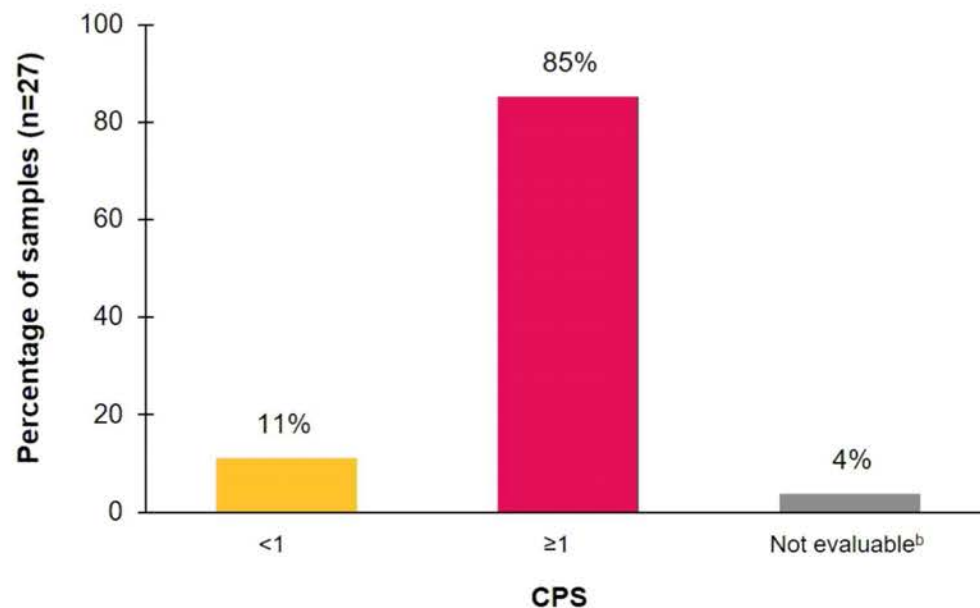
<sup>b</sup> HER2 amplification using FoundationOne<sup>®</sup> (F1CDx).

<sup>c</sup> Samples with missing IHC/amplification data due to an insufficient number of tumor cells (<100) on the tissue section for HER2 IHC assessment or insufficient tumor content collected for next-generation sequencing.

Janjigian YY, et al. Co-occurring HER2 and PD-L1 expression in patients with HER2-positive trastuzumab-refractory gastric cancer (GC)/gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma (GEJA): biomarker analysis from the trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) DESTINY-Gastric03 trial. Presented at ESMO World Congress on Gastrointestinal Cancer; June 29-July 2, 2022; Barcelona, Spain. Abstract SO-7.

# PD-L1 Expression and HER2 Coexpression

## PD-L1 Expression by Central Assessment<sup>a</sup>: 85% PD-L1 Positive



CPS	% (n/N)
CPS <1	11 (3/27)
CPS ≥1	85 (23/27)
CPS ≥1 to <5	37 (10/27)
CPS ≥5	48 (13/27)
Not evaluable <sup>b</sup>	4 (1/27)

CPS, combined positive score; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; IHC, immunohistochemistry; PD-L1, programmed death ligand 1.

<sup>a</sup> PD-L1 expression was centrally assessed using a verified IHC assay (PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx; Agilent Technologies).

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# Support for Dual Anti-HER2 and Anti-PD-L1 Therapy

## Conclusions

- In a subset of patients with GC/GEJA in the ongoing DESTINY-Gastric03 trial, 20% discordance was observed between local and central HER2 testing, consistent with previously reported data in GC<sup>1</sup>
  - Discordance may be attributed to tissue heterogeneity
- Substantial overlap (85%) was observed between HER2 and PD-L1 positivity in this GC/GEJA population, consistent with earlier studies<sup>2</sup>
- These data support dual anti-HER2 and anti-PD-L1 therapy in HER2-positive GC/GEJA


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1. Huemer F, et al. *J Clin Med*. 2020;9(4):935. 2. Janjigian YY, et al. *Nature*. 2021;600:727-730.

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# Therapeutic Advances and Challenges in the Management of HER2-Positive Gastroesophageal Cancers

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# ERBB2 Copy Number (CN) as a Quantitative Biomarker for Real-World (RW) Outcomes to Anti-HER2 Therapy in Advanced Gastroesophageal Adenocarcinoma (Adv GEA)

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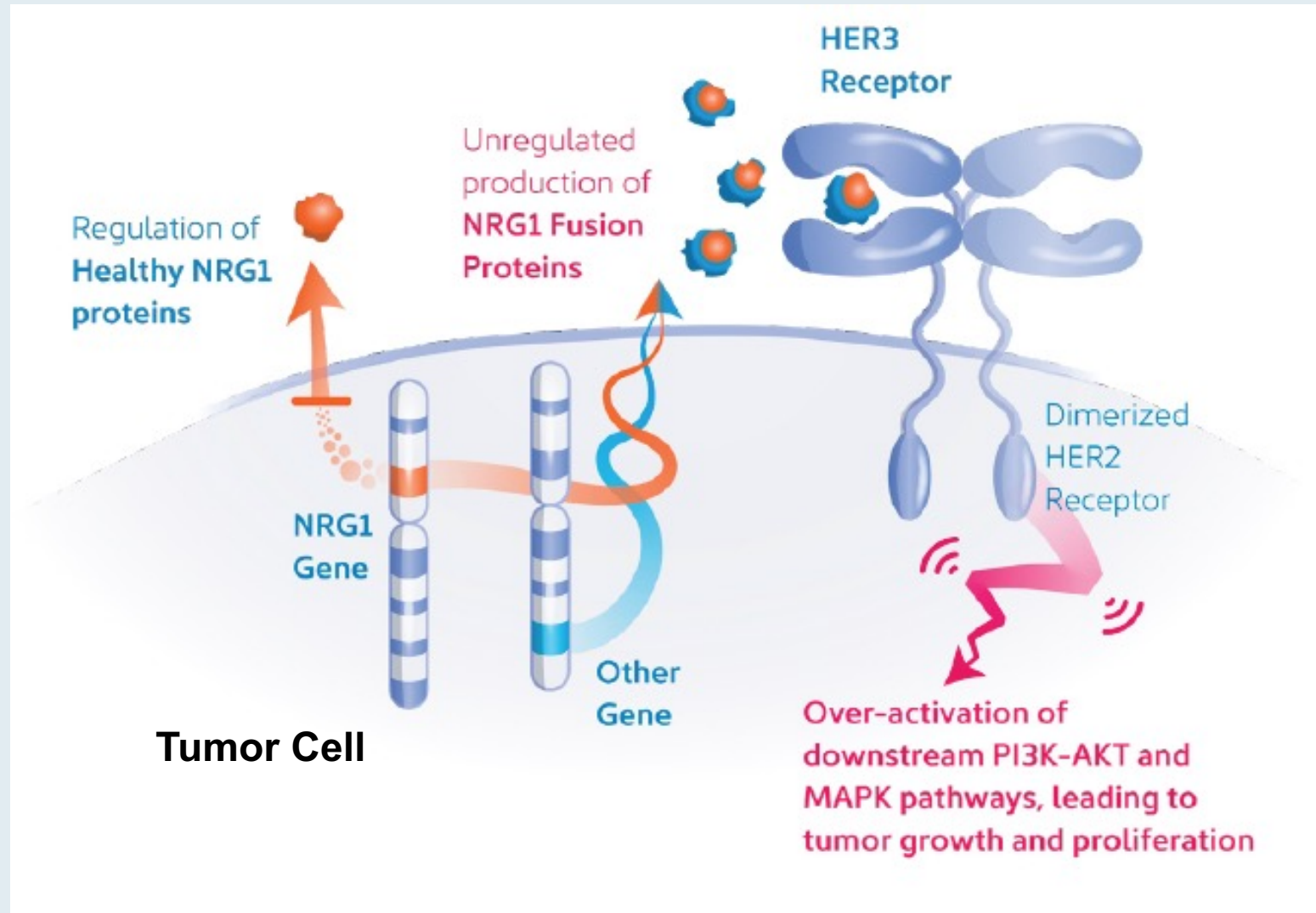


# **CRESTONE: Clinical Study of Response to Seribantumab in Tumors with Neuregulin-1 (NRG1) Fusions—A Phase II Study of the Anti-HER3 mAb for Advanced or Metastatic Solid Tumors (NCT04383210)**

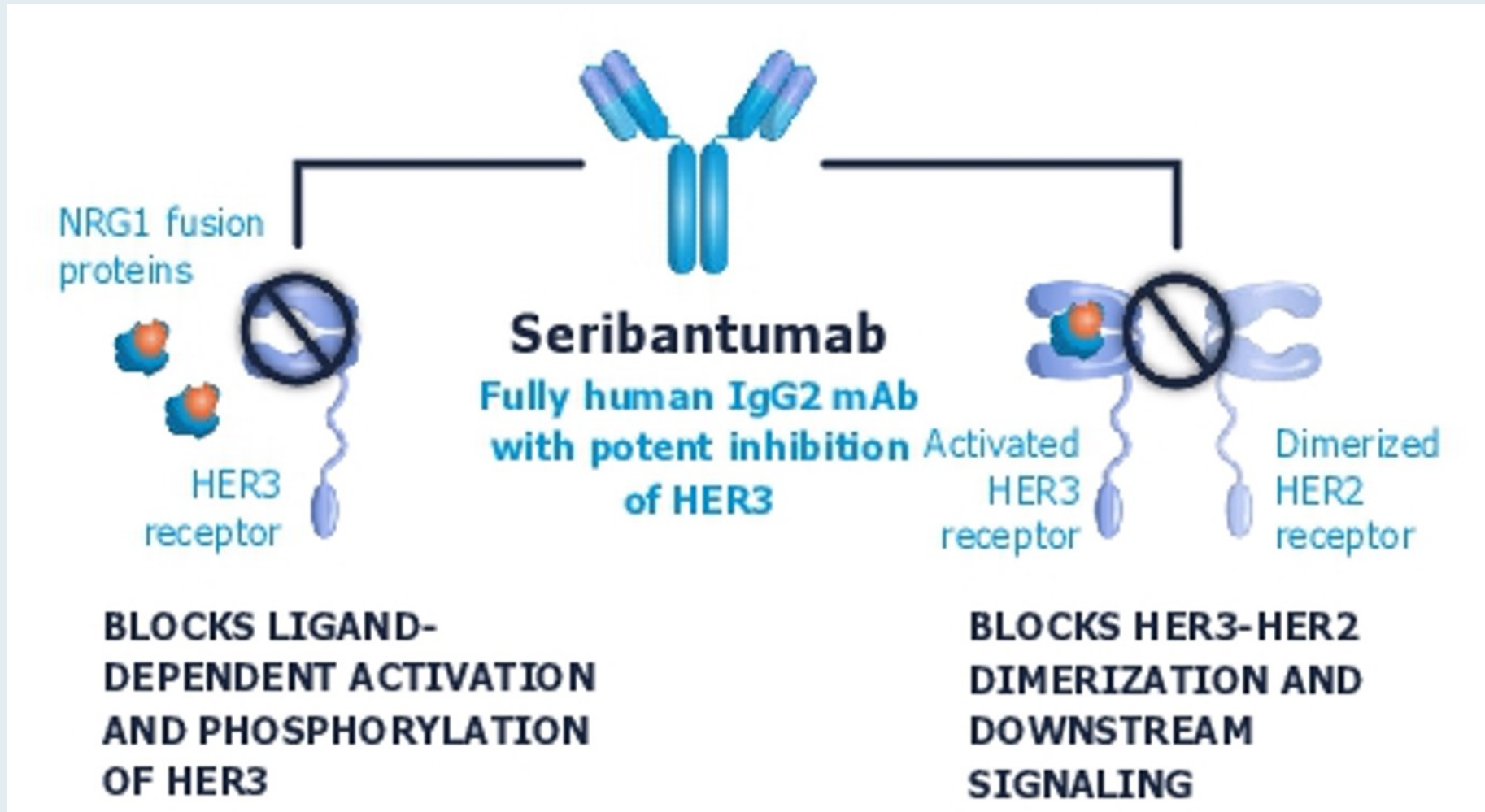
Bendell JC et al.

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021;Abstract TPS449.

# NRG1 Fusion Activation of HER3 and Downstream Pathways



# Seribantumab Inhibition of HER3 and Downstream Pathways



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**MODULE 3: HER2-Negative, MSS Disease**

**MODULE 4: Appendix of Key Publications**

A patient with HER2-negative, microsatellite instability (MSI)-high gastric adenocarcinoma receives preoperative FLOT, undergoes resection and has significant residual disease at surgery. Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would you generally recommend?





Nivo = nivolumab; pembro = pembrolizumab

# Outside of a clinical trial, would you attempt to access an anti-PD-1/PD-L1 antibody as part of neoadjuvant therapy for a patient with MSI-high gastroesophageal cancer?

 <b>Dr Enzinger</b>	<b>No</b>	 <b>Dr Shah</b>	<b>Yes</b>
 <b>Dr Janjigian</b>	<b>Yes</b>	 <b>Dr Strickler</b>	<b>Yes</b>
 <b>Dr Klempner</b>	<b>Yes</b>	 <b>Dr Yoon</b>	<b>Yes</b>

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSI-high gastric adenocarcinoma?

 Dr Enzinger	Pembrolizumab	 Dr Shah	FOLFOX + nivolumab
 Dr Janjigian	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Strickler	FOLFOX + nivolumab
 Dr Klempner	Pembrolizumab	 Dr Yoon	FOLFOX + nivolumab

Upper Gastrointestinal Cancers (JD Berlin, Section Editor)

# Immunotherapy in Gastroesophageal Cancers: Current Evidence and Ongoing Trials

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

# Determinants of Response and Intrinsic Resistance to PD-1 Blockade in Microsatellite Instability–High Gastric Cancer

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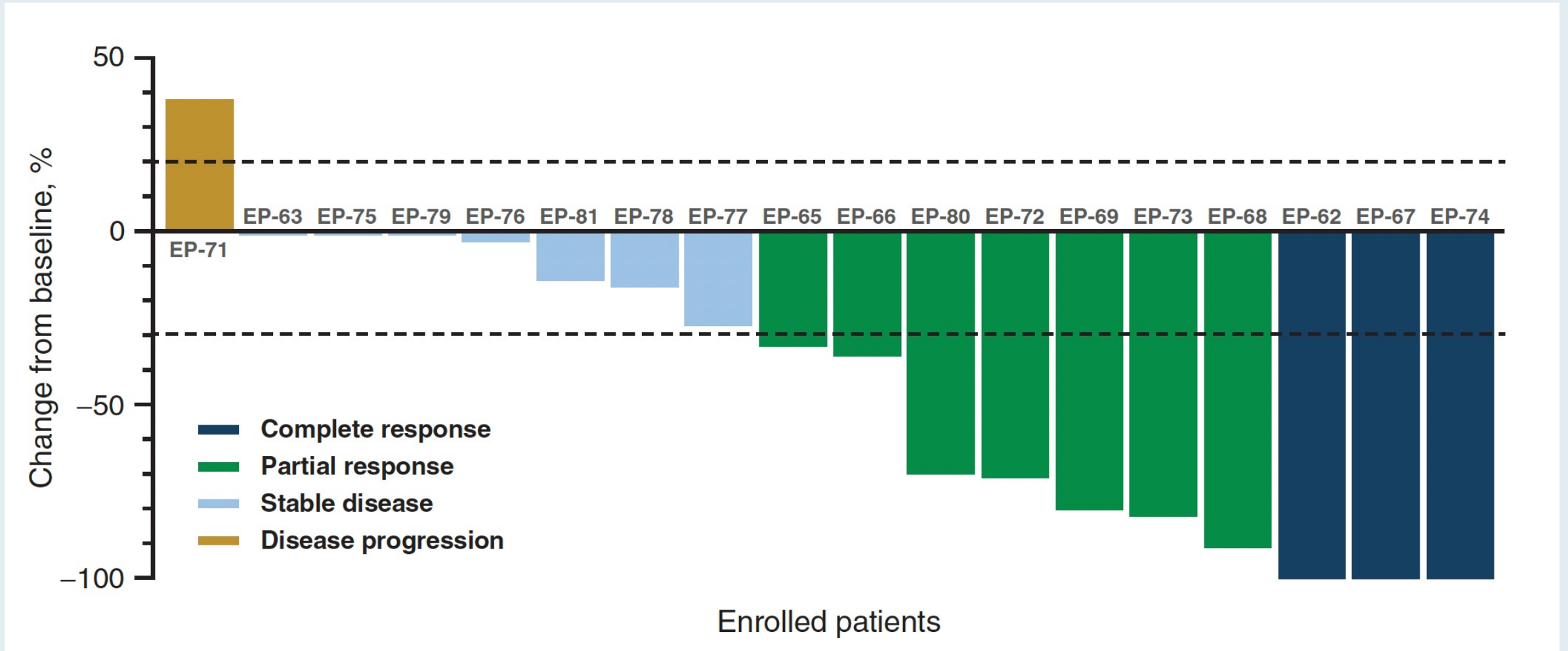
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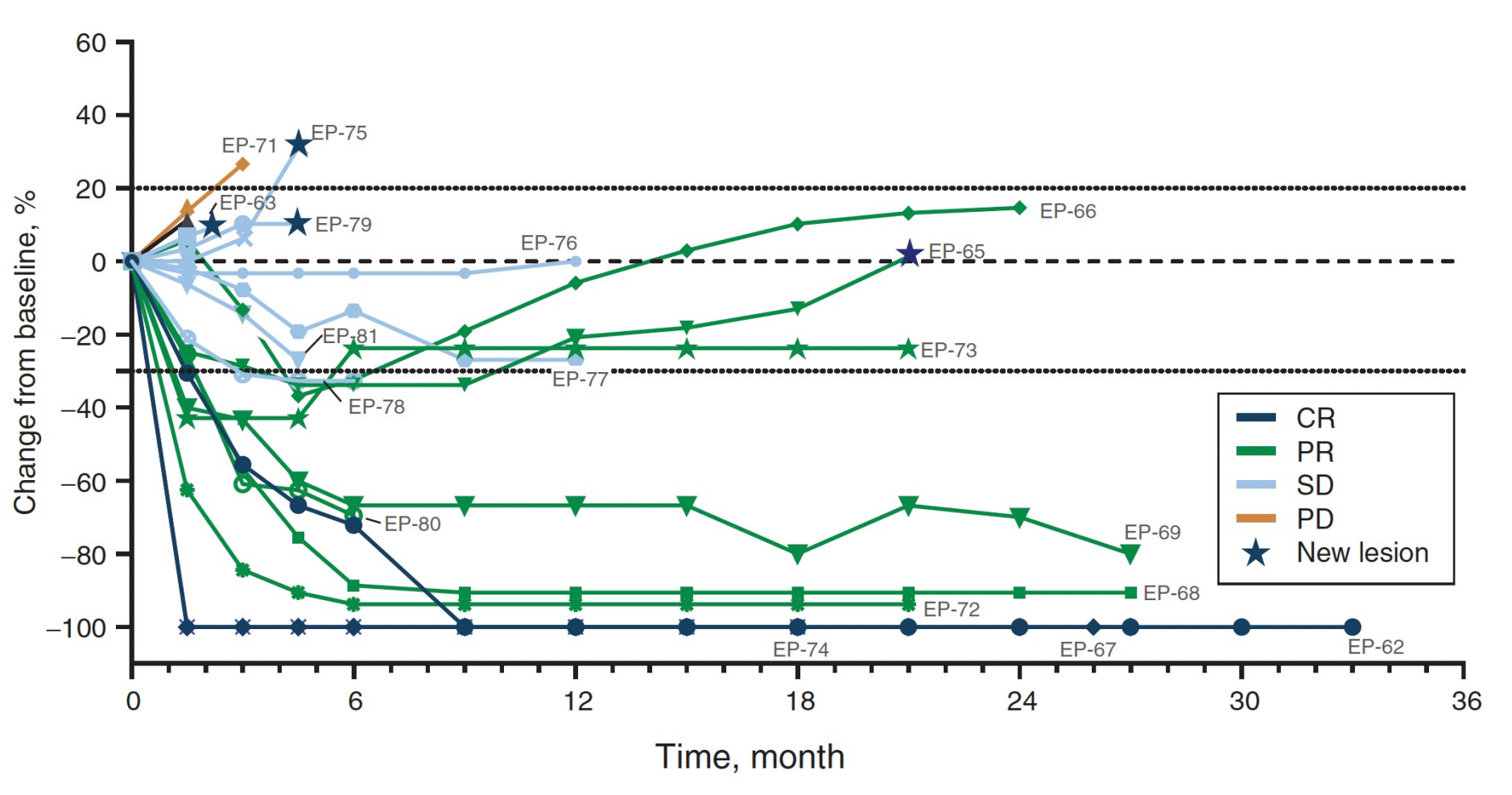
## Dissecting Response and Resistance to Anti-PD-1 Therapy in Microsatellite-Unstable Gastric Cancer

Elisa Fontana<sup>1</sup> and Elizabeth C. Smyth<sup>2</sup>

# Waterfall Plot of Response to Pembrolizumab in Patients with MSI-High Gastric Cancer



# Spider Plot of the Change in Sum of Target Tumor Measurement from Baseline to Last Assessment



# Clinical Utility of Microsatellite Instability (MSI-H) Identified on Liquid Biopsy in Advanced Gastrointestinal Cancers

Kasi PM et al.

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2022;Abstract 56.

# Ascites and resistance to immune checkpoint inhibition in dMMR/MSI-H metastatic colorectal and gastric cancers

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# Are You a TMBeliever? Mutations and Atezolizumab Response in Solid Tumors

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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# Atezolizumab Treatment of Tumors with High Tumor Mutational Burden from MyPathway, a Multicenter, Open-Label, Phase IIa Multiple Basket Study

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## PD-1 Blockade in Mismatch Repair–Deficient, Locally Advanced Rectal Cancer

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## PD-1 blockade as curative-intent therapy in mismatch repair deficient locally advanced rectal cancer

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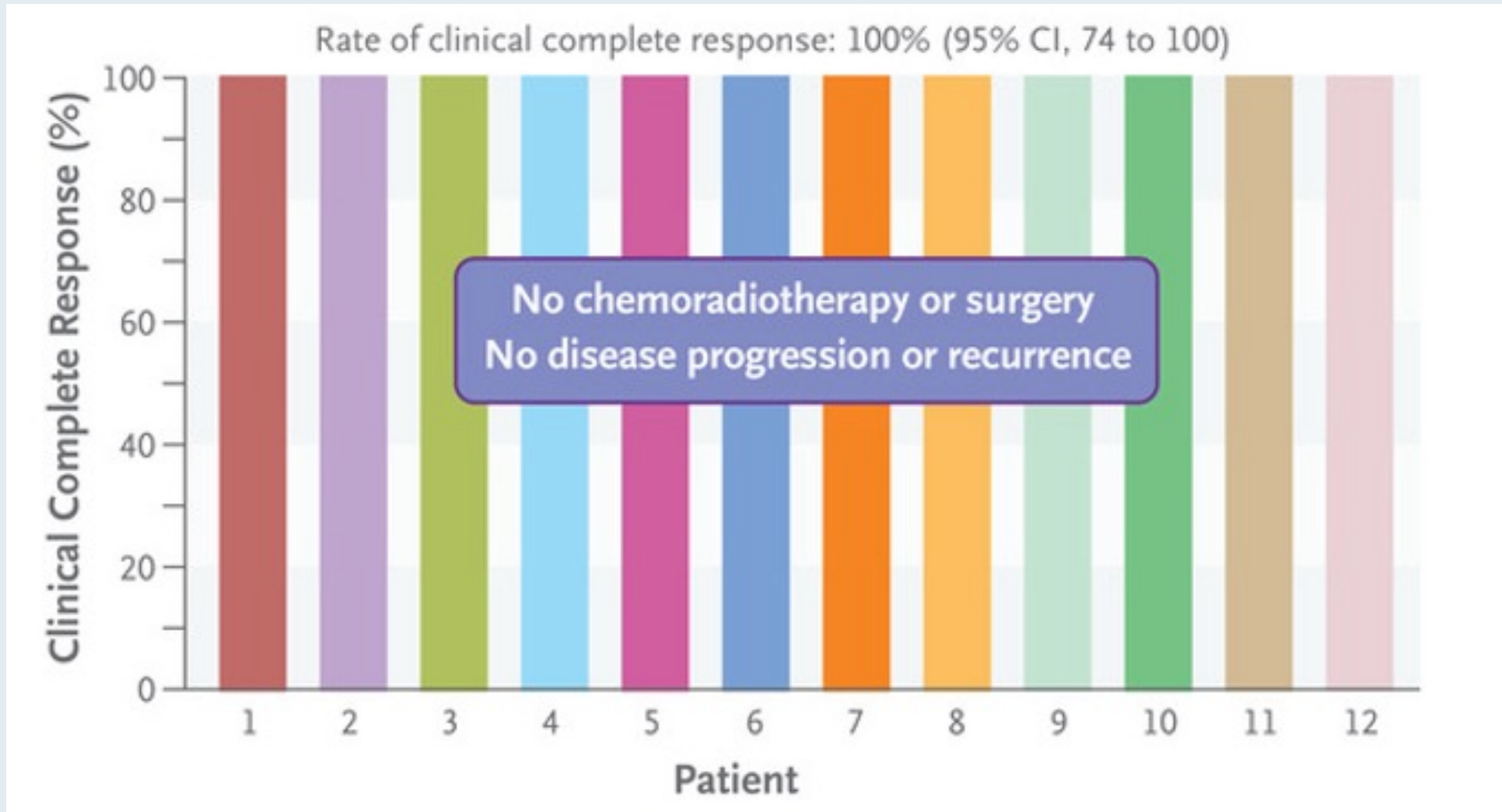
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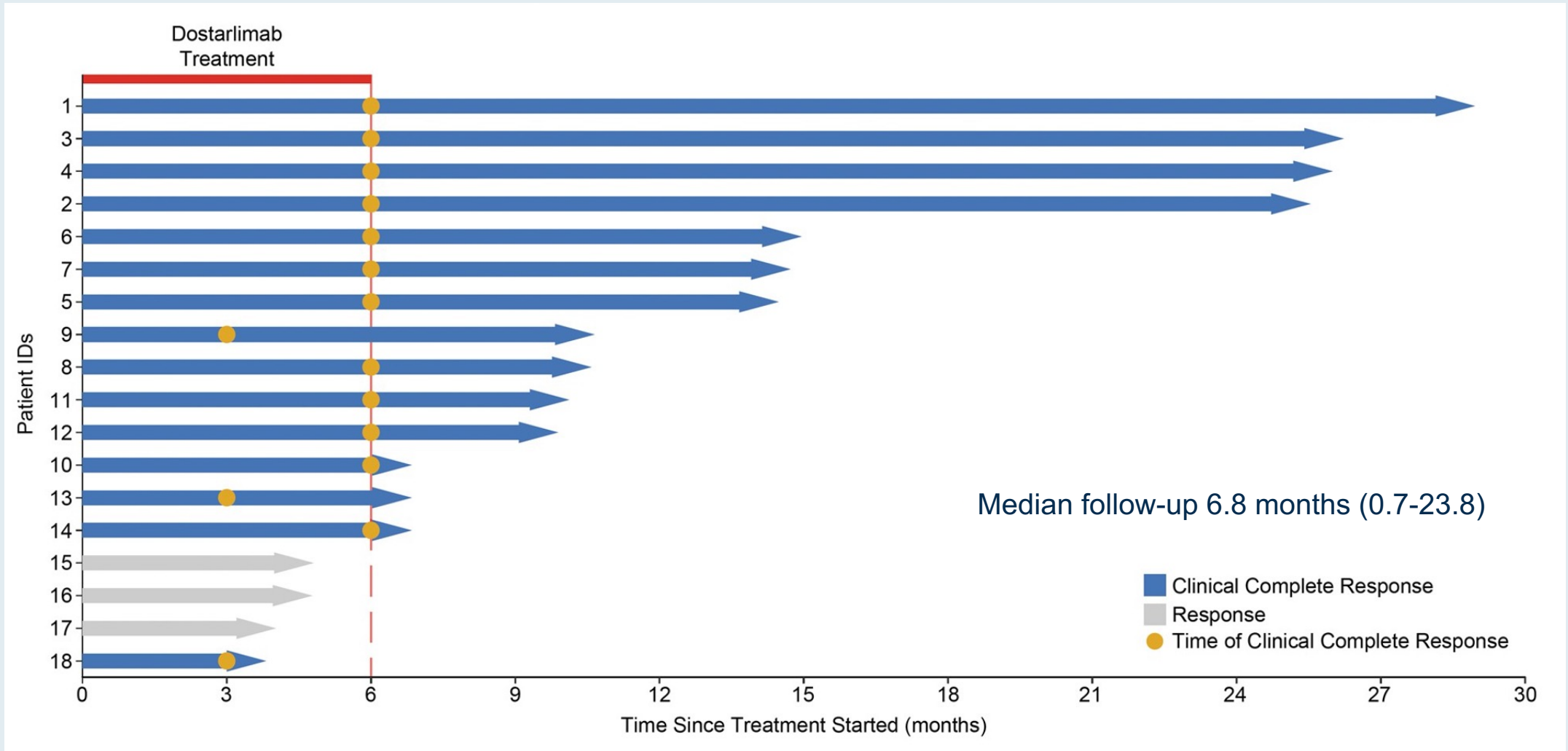
# Rate of Clinical Response



CI = confidence interval



# Duration of Response



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# Neoadjuvant nivolumab, ipilimumab, and celecoxib in MMR-proficient and MMR-deficient colon cancers: Final clinical analysis of the NICHE study.

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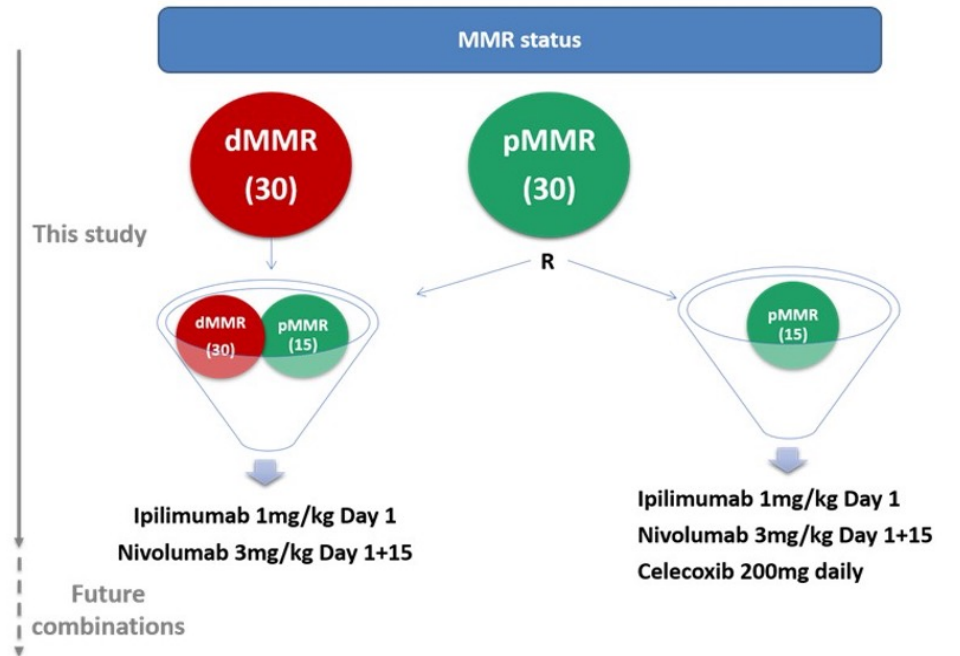
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# NICHE Study Design

- Open-label, exploratory study with an adaptive design
- **Study population:** non-metastatic, resectable and previously untreated adenocarcinoma of the colon
- **Original cohorts:** 30 patients with dMMR and 30 with pMMR tumors
- **Treatment** in all patients: nivolumab 3 mg/kg on D1+15 *plus* ipilimumab 1 mg/kg on D1
  - **pMMR cohort:** randomized to additionally receive celecoxib
  - **Surgery within 6 weeks** of registration
- Tumor and normal tissue at baseline and resection, plasma + PBMCs baseline during treatment and follow-up



dMMR = metastatic mismatch repair-deficient; pMMR = metastatic mismatch repair-proficient; PBMCs = peripheral blood mononuclear cells

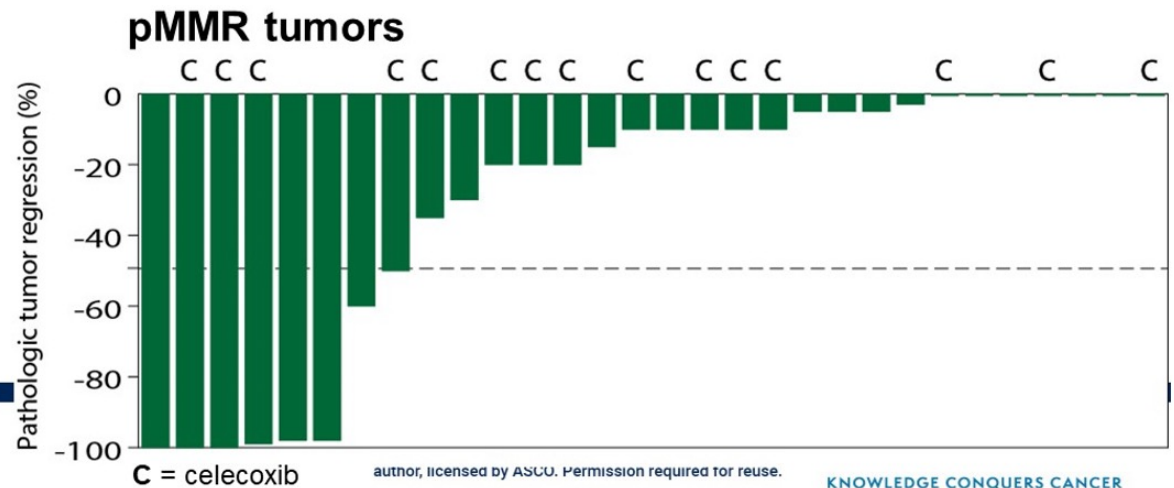
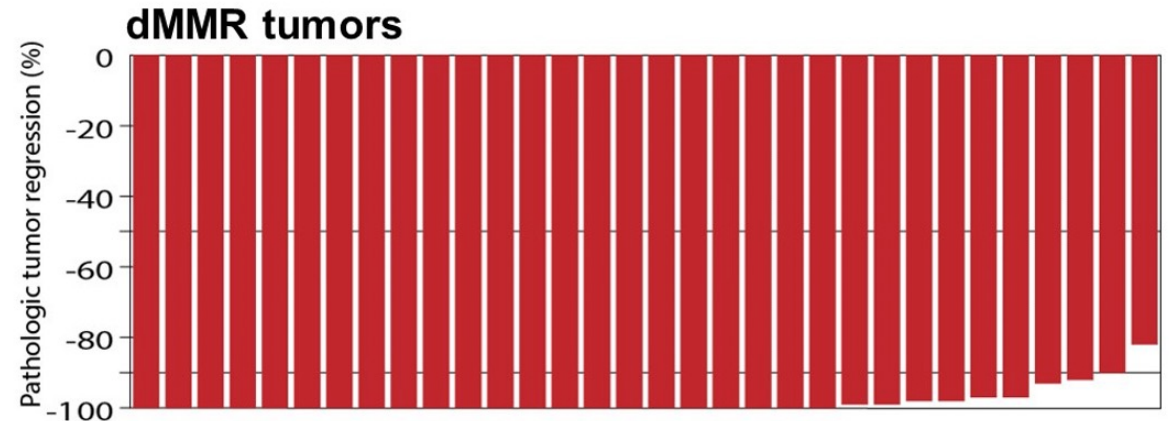
# NICHE: Responses in 29% of pMMR and 100% of dMMR Tumors

Pathologic response	dMMR n= 32	pMMR n= 31
Major ( $\leq 10\%$ VTR)	31 (97%)	7 (23%) *
Complete	22 (69%)	4 (13%) *
Partial ( $\leq 50\%$ VTR)	1 (3%)	2 (6%)
Nonresponse ( $>50\%$ VTR)	0 (0%)	22 (71%)

- **dMMR: 32/32 (100%) responders**
  - Lynch: 13/13 MPR, 12 pCR
  - Non-Lynch: 18/19 MPR, 10 pCR; 1 PR
- **pMMR: 9/31 (29%) responders**

\*1 patient has not undergone surgery, now 1 year after treatment completion and no longer evidence of intraluminal or radiological disease, incl neg biopsies

VTR= viable tumor rest; MPR = major pathologic response; pCR = pathologic complete response; PR= partial response



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# Neo-adjuvant nivolumab plus ipilimumab and adjuvant nivolumab in patients (pts) with localized MSI/dMMR gastric or oeso-gastric junction (G-OGJ) adenocarcinoma NEONIPIGA phase II GERCOR study

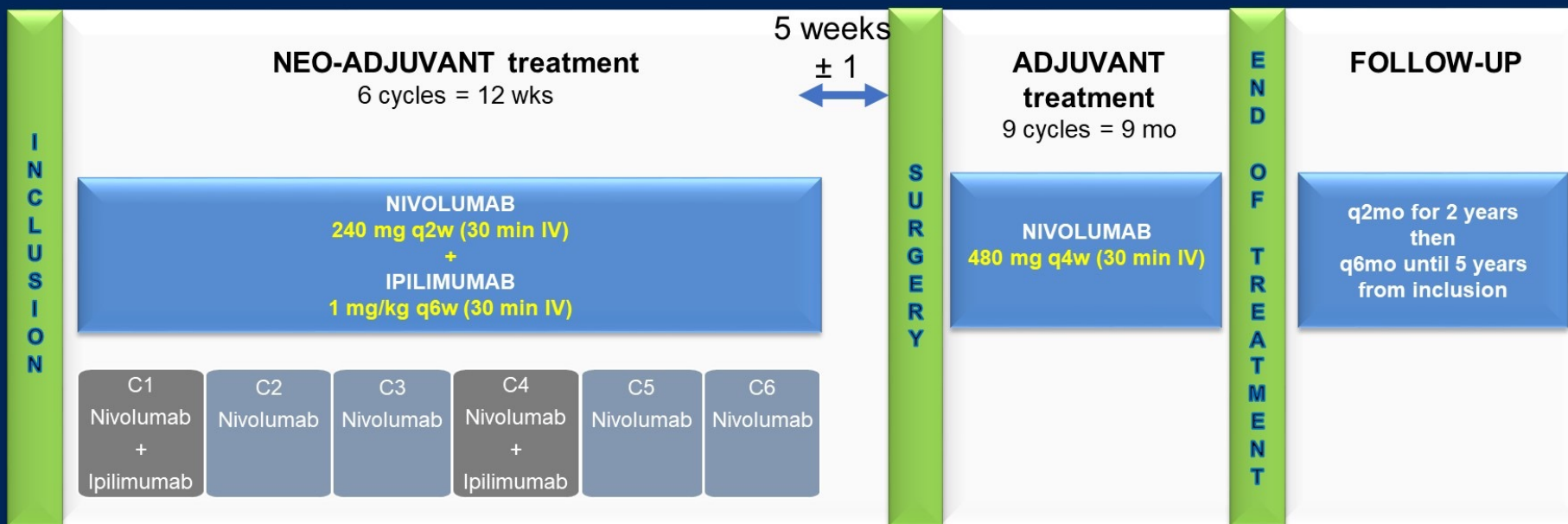
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# NEONIPIGA Design

## NEONIPIGA: Study design/methods

- Phase II study evaluating efficacy of neo-adjuvant nivolumab and ipilimumab followed by adjuvant nivolumab in pts with resectable OGA MSI/dMMR, T2-T4 NxM0
- The primary objective was pathological complete response rate (pCRR).



ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT04006262

OGA = oeso-gastric adenocarcinoma

# NEONIPIGA Conclusions

## Conclusions

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- The primary objective with **59% pathological complete Response Rate was met (17/29 pts evaluable for pCRR)**
- Neo-adjuvant nivolumab & ipilimumab is feasible in pts with MSI/dMMR resectable OGJ/gastric adenocarcinoma
- No new safety concerns: with 25% of grade 3-4 TRAE (max/pts)
- Surgical complications are as expected with this type of surgeries
- 94% of pts included are free of events with 12 months follow-up
- Neonipiga raises the question whether the surgery can be delayed or avoided for some pts with localized MSI/dMMR G-OGJ adenocarcinoma if immune-check point inhibitors are effective.

# Meet The Professor with Dr Klempner: Management of Upper GI Cancers

## MODULE 1: HER2-Positive Disease

## MODULE 2: MSI-High Disease

## MODULE 3: HER2-Negative, MSS Disease

- Dr Brenner: A 69-year-old woman with metastatic gastroesophageal junction (GEJ) adenocarcinoma to liver (MSS, PD-L1 2%, HER2-negative)
- Dr Brenner: A 59-year-old man with GEJ adenocarcinoma s/p neoadjuvant FLOT, found to have 8/18 positive nodes at surgery, s/p FLOT, currently no evidence of disease (PD-L1 <1%)
- Dr Dallas: A 53-year-old man with esophageal adenocarcinoma with FDG avid mediastinal node, s/p chemoradiation and definitive radiation to mediastinal node (MSS, PD-L1 0%, HER2-negative)
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- Dr Patel: A 60-year-old frail man with GEJ adenocarcinoma s/p chemoradiation, declined surgery, now with metastatic disease and partial response with FOLFOX/nivolumab (PD-L1 2%, HER2 1+)

## MODULE 4: Appendix of Key Publications



**Case Presentation: A 69-year-old woman with metastatic gastroesophageal junction (GEJ) adenocarcinoma to liver (MSS, PD-L1 2%, HER2-negative)**



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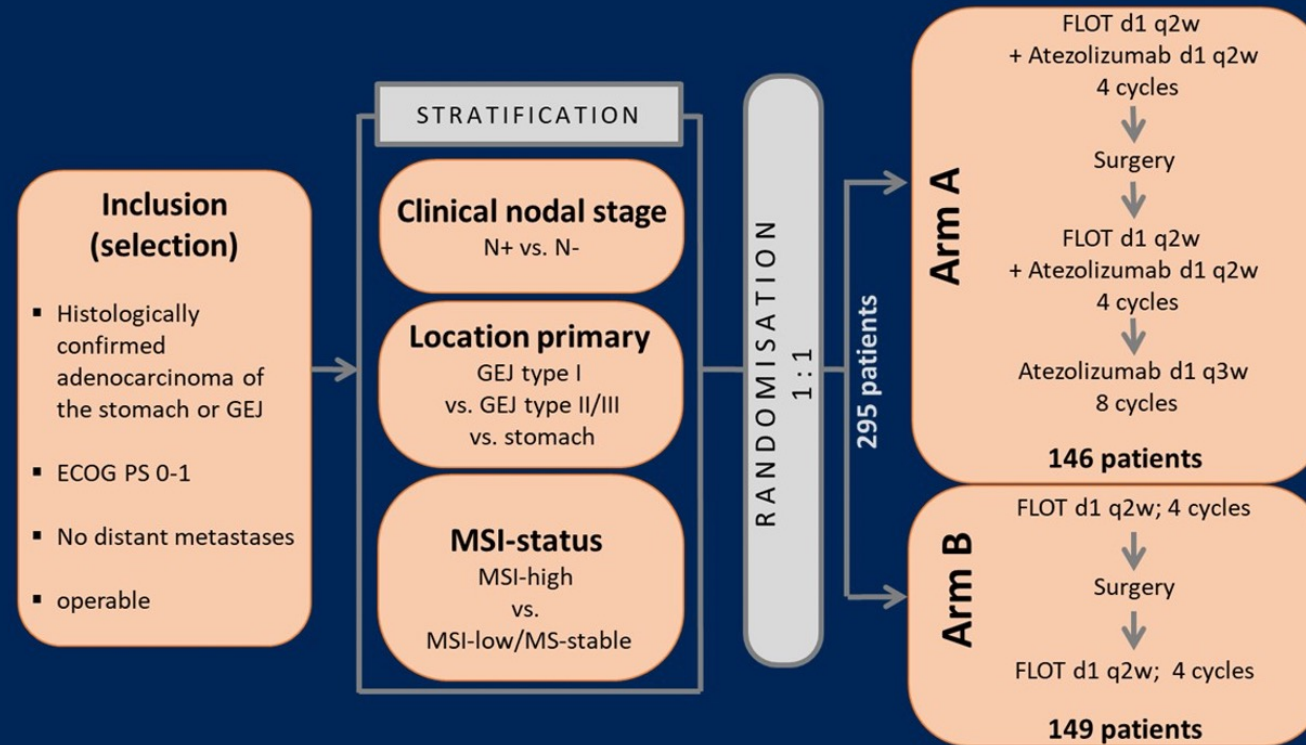
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Surgical and pathological outcome, and pathological regression, in patients receiving perioperative atezolizumab in combination with FLOT chemotherapy versus FLOT alone for resectable esophagogastric adenocarcinoma: Interim results from DANTE, a randomized, multicenter, phase IIb trial of the FLOT-AIO German Gastric Cancer Group and Swiss SAKK.

Presented by Dr. S-E Al-Batran, Oral Abstract Session

# Study Flow Chart

DANTE is an investigator-initiated phase-II trial with the potential to transition into a phase-III trial



## Histopathology (pTNM)

	FLOT + Atezolizumab (N=146)		FLOT (N=149)	
pT0-stage	34	23%	22	15%
pN0-stage	100	69%	81	54%
pT0/N0	34	23%	21	14%
pT-stage				
≤T1	62	43%	55	37%
T2	27	19%	16	11%
T3	47	32%	61	41%
T4	4	3%	10	7%
pT0-T2	89	61%	71	48%
pT3-T4	51	35%	71	48%
pM1-stage	2	1%	4	3%

## Pathological response (local vs. central assessment)

Pathological Regression FLOT + Atezolizumab (arm A) vs. FLOT (arm B)	Local assessment				Central assessment <sup>1</sup>			
	TRG1a <sup>2</sup>		TRG1a/b <sup>3</sup>		TRG1a <sup>2</sup>		TRG1a/b <sup>3</sup>	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
All patients (N= 295; 146   149)	35 (24%)	23 (15%)	71 (49%)	58 (39%)	37 (25%)	36 (24%)	72 (49%)	66 (44%)
PD-L1 CPS ≥1 (N=170; 82   88)	20 (24%)	13 (15%)	42 (51%)	40 (46%)	21 (26%)	20 (23%)	43 (52%)	41 (47%)
PD-L1 CPS ≥5 (N=81; 40   41)	11 (28%)	8 (20%)	22 (55%)	18 (44%)	13 (33%)	9 (22%)	21 (53%)	19 (46%)
PD-L1 CPS ≥10 (N=53; 27   26)	9 (33%)	3 (12%)	18 (67%)	10 (39%)	11 (41%)	5 (19%)	19 (70%)	13 (50%)
MSI high (N=23; 8   15)	5 (63%)	4 (27%)	6 (75%)	7 (47%)	5 (63%)	4 (27%)	6 (75%)	7 (47%)

<sup>1</sup>central assessment by one pathologist based on a representative tumor sample

<sup>2</sup>pathological complete regression acc. to Becker

<sup>3</sup>pathological subtotal regression acc. to Becker

# Discussant Conclusions

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## Practice Changing?

- No
  - No clinical outcomes yet reported
  - Interesting, but purely descriptive trends

## Value Implications

- Atezolizumab is significantly more costly. Requires validated outcomes benefit to justify.

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**Dr Minesh Dinubhai Patel (Peachtree City, Georgia)**

A patient with HER2-negative, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma receives preoperative FLOT, undergoes resection and has significant residual disease at surgery (PD-L1 CPS = 0). Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would you generally recommend?

 Dr Enzinger	Continue FLOT postoperatively	 Dr Shah	Continue FLOT postoperatively
 Dr Janjigian	Continue FLOT postoperatively	 Dr Strickler	Continue FLOT postoperatively
 Dr Klempner	Continue FLOT postoperatively	 Dr Yoon	Continue FLOT postoperatively

FLOT = fluorouracil/leucovorin/oxaliplatin/docetaxel

A patient with HER2-negative, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma receives preoperative FLOT, undergoes resection and has significant residual disease at surgery (PD-L1 CPS = 10).  
Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would you generally recommend?



Dr Enzinger

Switch to FOLFOX + nivolumab postoperatively



Dr Shah

Continue FLOT postoperatively



Dr Janjigian

Continue FLOT postoperatively + PD-1/PD-L1 antibody



Dr Strickler

Continue FLOT postoperatively



Dr Klempner

Continue FLOT postoperatively



Dr Yoon

Continue FLOT postoperatively

# Which assay do you generally use to evaluate PD-L1 status in your patients with advanced gastroesophageal cancer?



IHC = immunohistochemistry

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma with a PD-L1 CPS of 0?

 Dr Enzinger	FOLFOX	 Dr Shah	FOLFOX
 Dr Janjigian	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Strickler	FOLFOX
 Dr Klempner	FOLFOX	 Dr Yoon	FOLFOX

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSS gastric adenocarcinoma with a PD-L1 CPS of 5?



Dr Enzinger

FOLFOX + nivolumab



Dr Shah

FOLFOX + nivolumab



Dr Janjigian

FOLFOX + nivolumab



Dr Strickler

FOLFOX + nivolumab



Dr Klempner

FOLFOX + nivolumab



Dr Yoon

FOLFOX or FOLFOX + pembro



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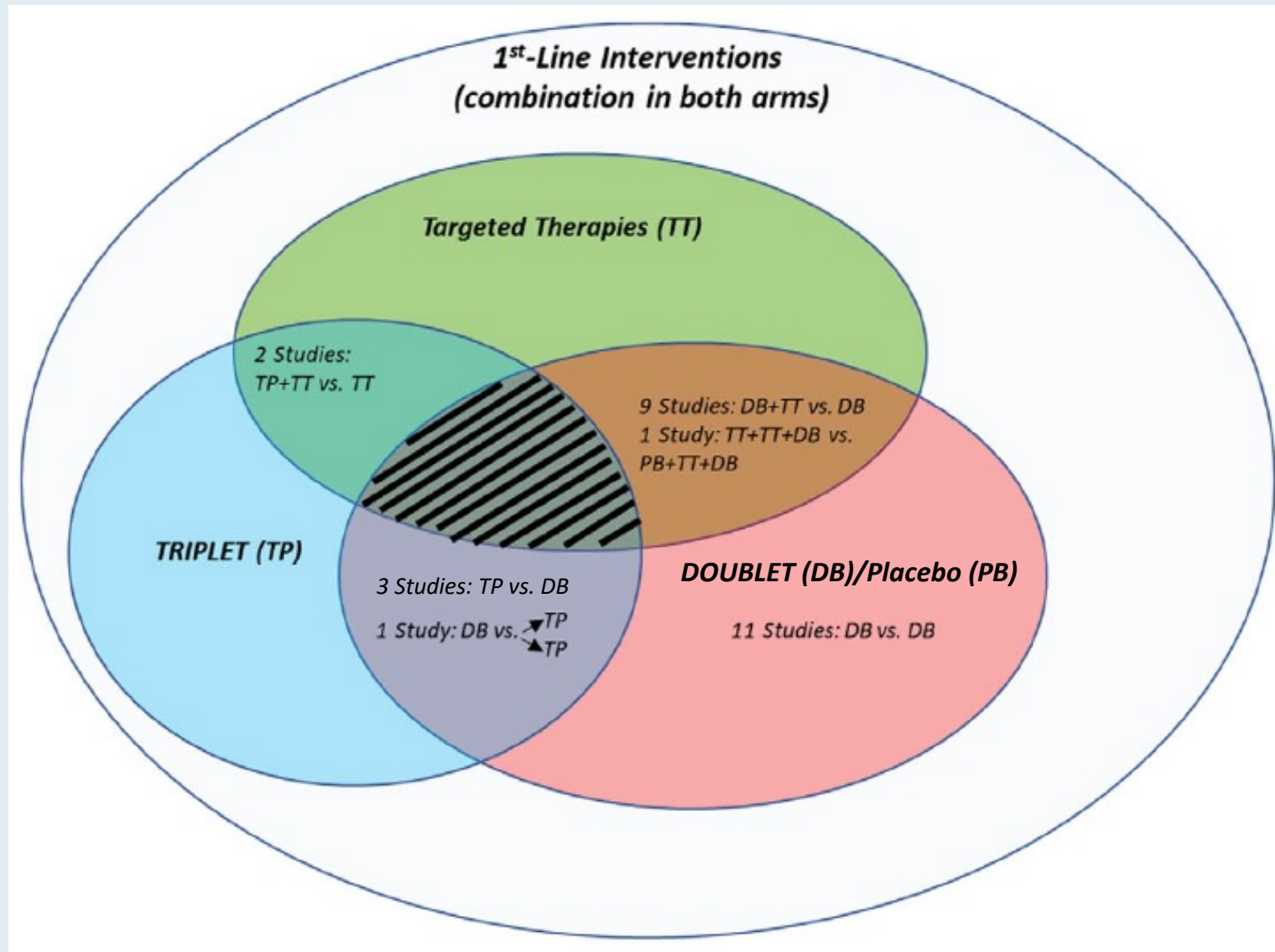
# Toward a Treatment Sequencing Strategy: A Systematic Review of Treatment Regimens in Advanced Gastric Cancer/ Gastroesophageal Junction Adenocarcinoma

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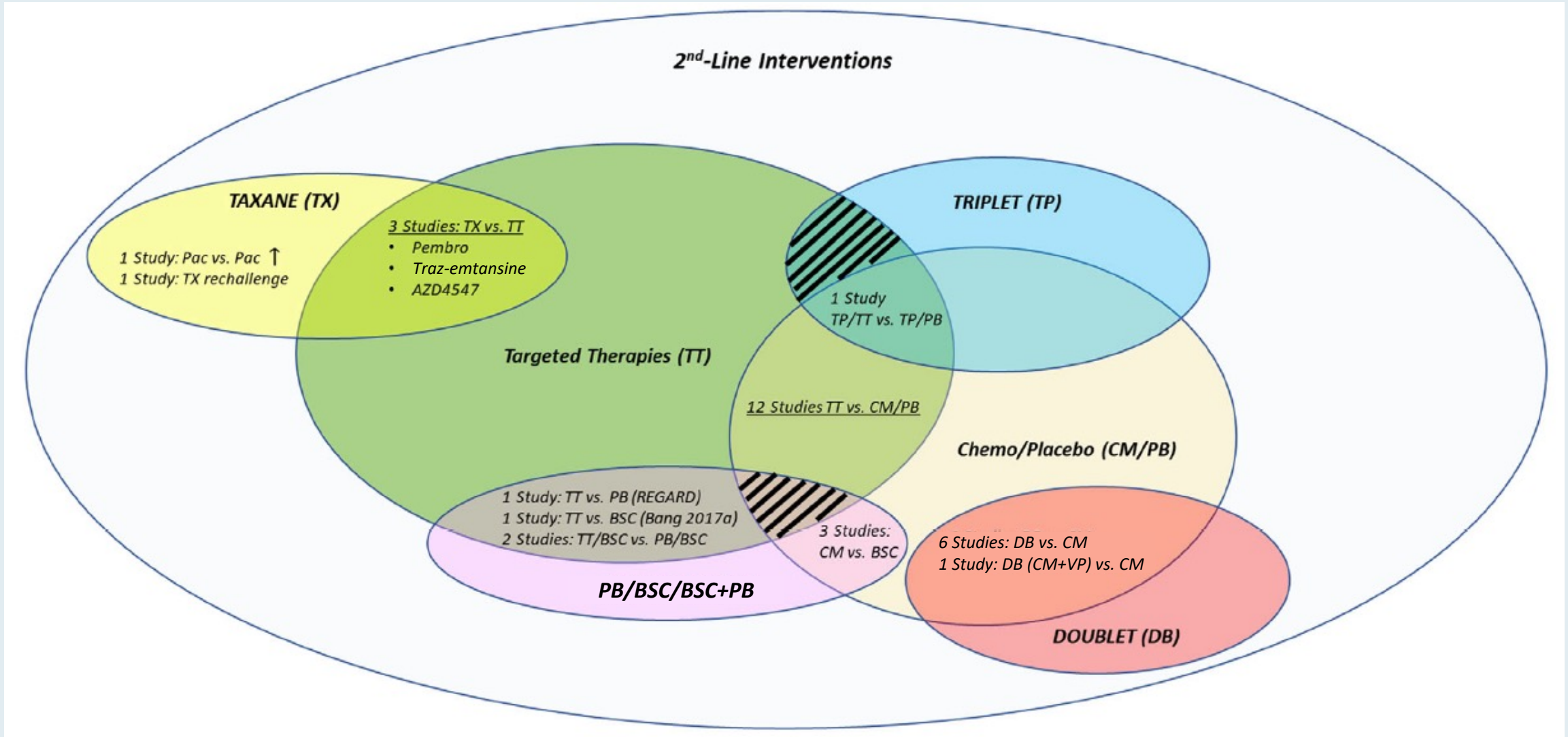
# Systematic Review of Treatment Regimens in Advanced Gastric Cancer/GEJ Adenocarcinoma: Overview of Studies Included

1 <sup>st</sup> Line Studies: 27		2 <sup>nd</sup> Line Studies: 34		3 <sup>rd</sup> Line Studies: 8	
Phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23 ph3</li> <li>• 1 ph2</li> <li>• 1 pilot study</li> </ul>	Phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 ph3</li> <li>• 15 ph2</li> <li>• 2 ph2/3</li> </ul>	Phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 ph3</li> <li>• 1 ph2</li> <li>• 1 ph1/2</li> </ul>
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Sample Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Range: 202-1,053 patients</li> <li>• 13 studies &gt;500 patients</li> </ul>	Sample Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Range: 40-741 patients</li> </ul>	Sample Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Range: 141-507 patients</li> </ul>
Metastases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 studies</li> <li>• Liver Metastases rate: 22.5-52%</li> <li>• Peritoneal Metastases rate: 2.5-44%</li> </ul>	Metastases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22 studies</li> <li>• Liver Metastases rate: 18-61%</li> <li>• Peritoneal Metastases rate: 19.5-56%</li> </ul>	Metastases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 studies</li> <li>• Liver Metastases rate: 17-55%</li> <li>• Peritoneal Metastases rate: 1.5-31%</li> </ul>
Sex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Males (%) range: 49-83%</li> </ul>	Sex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Males (%) range: 47-89%</li> </ul>	Sex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Males (%) range: 48.3-87%</li> </ul>

# Systematic Review of Treatment Regimens in Advanced Gastric Cancer/GEJ Adenocarcinoma: First-Line Interventions

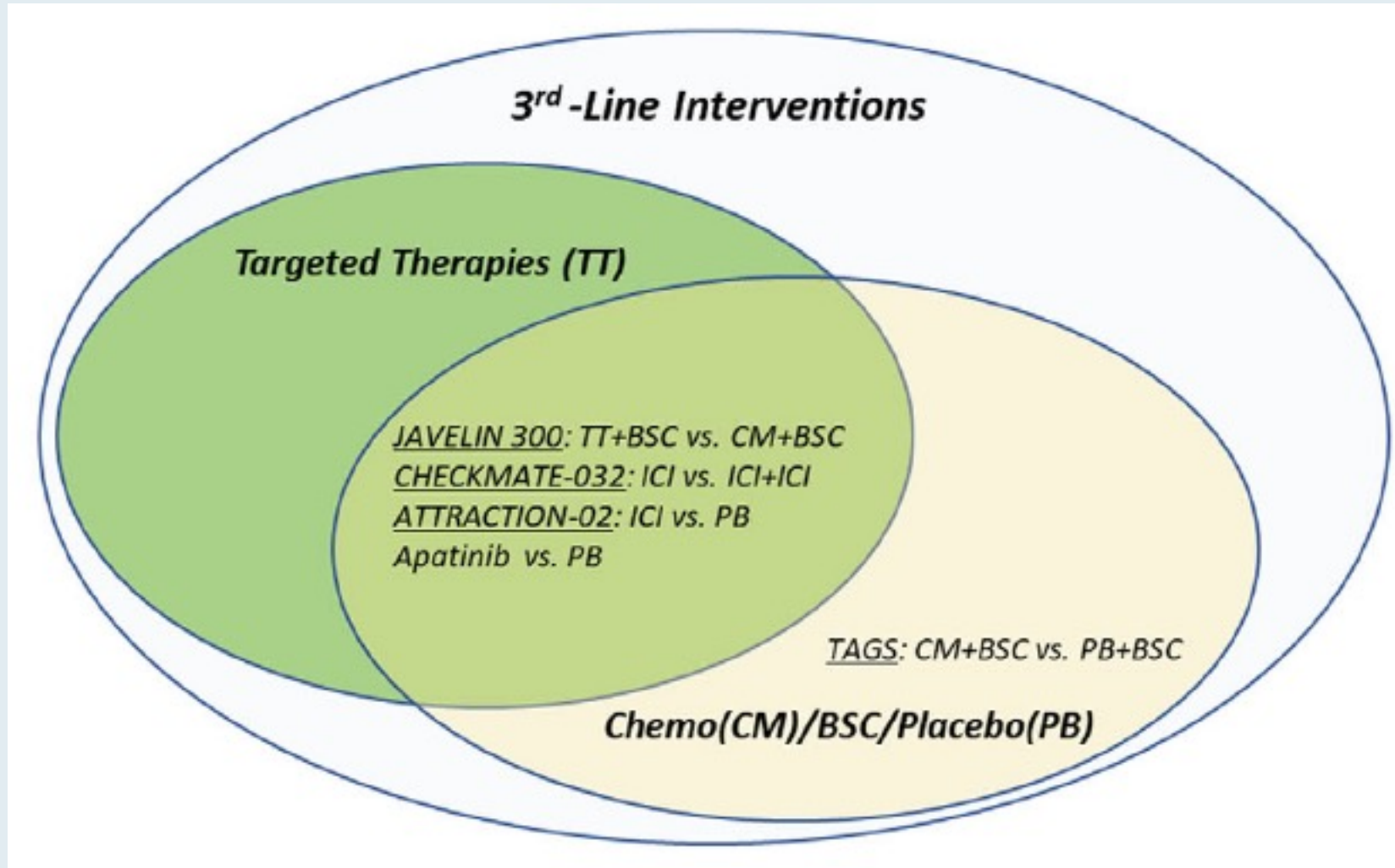


# Systematic Review of Treatment Regimens in Advanced Gastric Cancer/GEJ Adenocarcinoma: Second-Line Interventions



Pac = paclitaxel; Pembro = pembrolizumab; BSC = best supportive care; VP = valproic acid

# Systematic Review of Treatment Regimens in Advanced Gastric Cancer/GEJ Adenocarcinoma: Third-Line Interventions



BSC = best supportive care; ICI = immune checkpoint inhibitor



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## A Comparison of Clinicopathologic Outcomes Across Neoadjuvant and Adjuvant Treatment Modalities in Resectable Gastric Cancer

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Scientific Article

# A Phase 2 Trial Combining Pembrolizumab and Palliative Radiation Therapy in Gastroesophageal Cancer to Augment Abscopal Immune Responses


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# Early Weight Loss as a Prognostic Factor in Patients with Advanced Gastric Cancer: Analyses from REGARD, RAINBOW, and RAINFALL Phase III Studies

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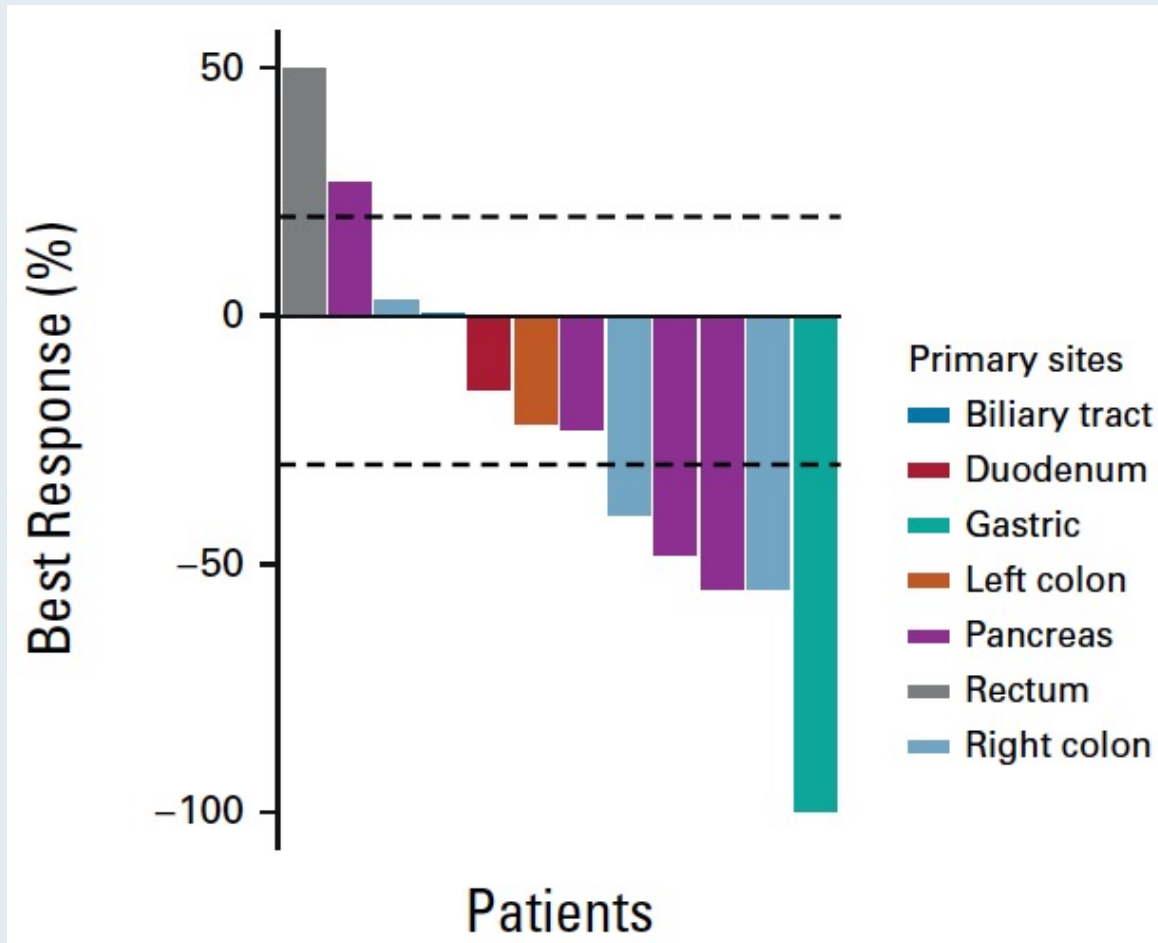
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# ALK Inhibitors in Patients With ALK Fusion–Positive GI Cancers: An International Data Set and a Molecular Case Series

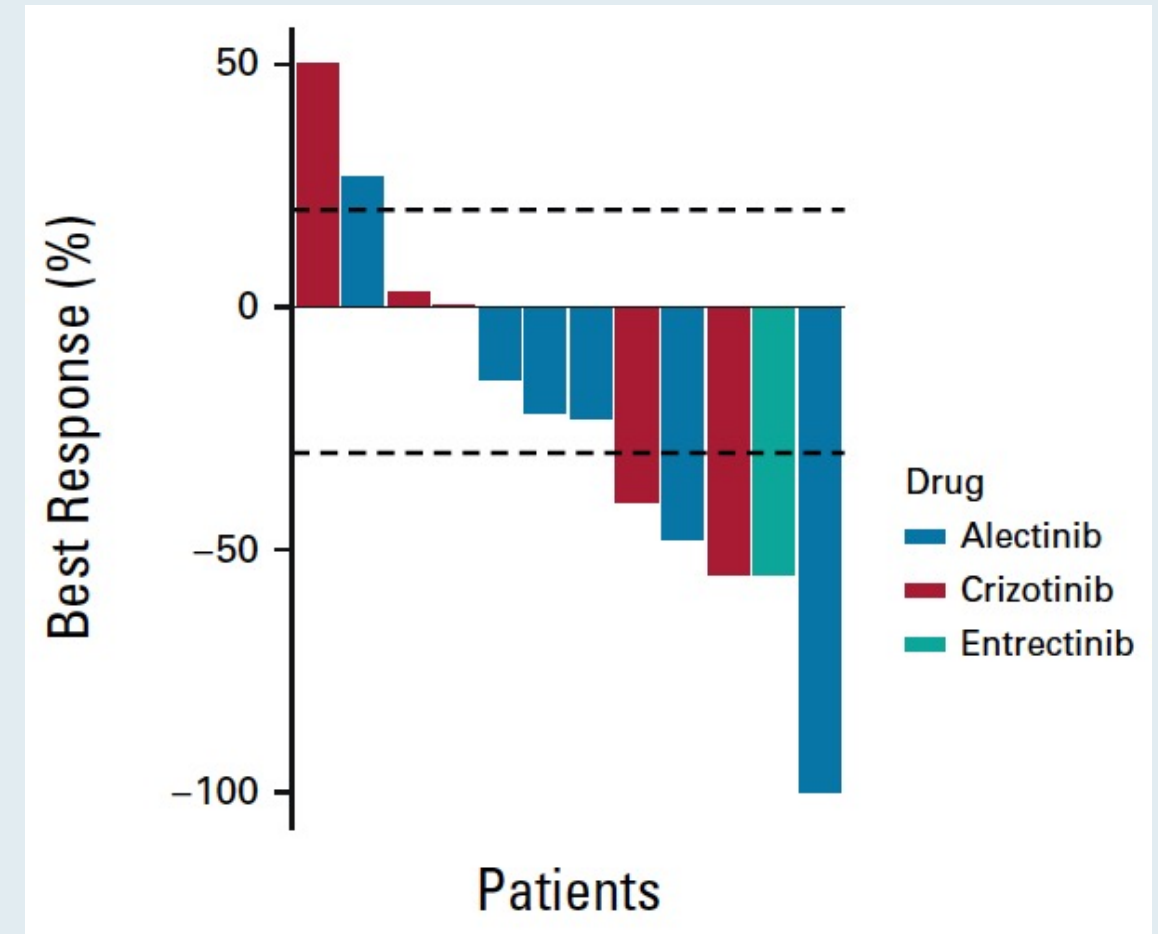
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# Response to ALK Inhibitors in Patients with ALK Fusion-Positive GI Cancers

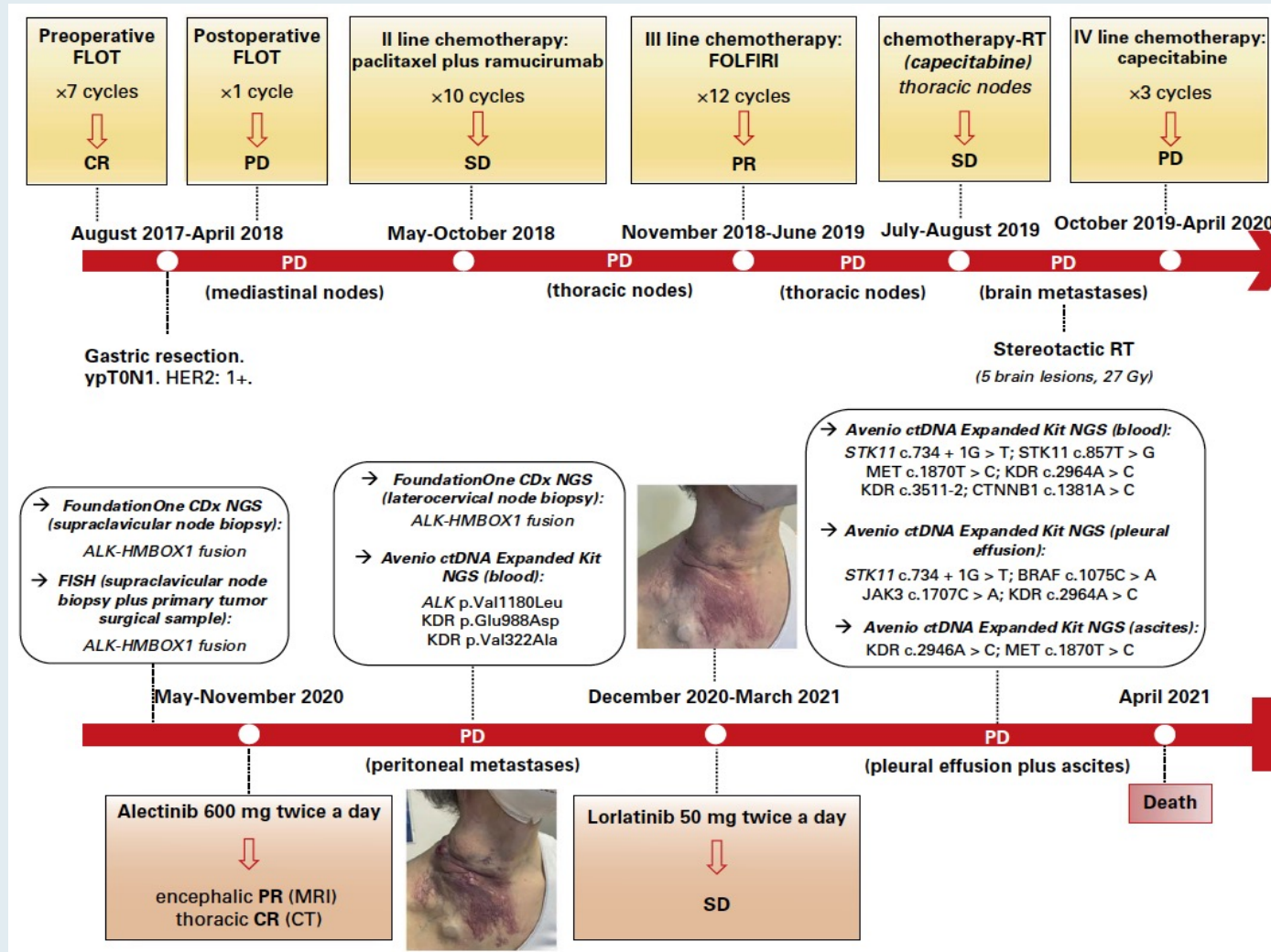
Individual best responses according to the primary site of origin



Individual best responses by type of ALK inhibitor received



# Molecular Case Report of ALK Rearranged Gastric Cancer on Alectinib-Lorlatinib Sequential Strategy



CR = complete response; PD = disease progression; SD = disease stabilization; PR = partial response; RT = radiotherapy; NGS = next-generation sequencing; FISH = fluorescent in situ hybridization; ctDNA = circulating tumor DNA; MRI = magnetic resonance imaging; CT = computed tomography.

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# Meet The Professor with Dr Klempner: Management of Upper GI Cancers

**MODULE 1: HER2-Positive Disease**

**MODULE 2: MSI-High Disease**

**MODULE 3: HER2-Negative, MSS Disease**

**MODULE 4: Appendix of Key Publications**

# HER2-Negative Gastroesophageal Cancers

# Checkpoint Inhibitor Approvals for HER2-Negative Gastric, GEJ and Esophageal Cancers

Regimen/FDA approval date/Pivotal trial	Location	Histology	Setting	PD-L1
Nivolumab 5/20/21 (CM-577)	Esophageal, GEJ	Adenocarcinoma and squamous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed resected, with residual pathologic disease after neoadjuvant chemoradiation</li> </ul>	Not required
Pembrolizumab + cisplatin/5-FU 3/22/2021 (KN-590)	Esophageal, GEJ	Adenocarcinoma and squamous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recurrent locally advanced or metastatic</li> <li>Not amenable to surgical resection or definitive chemoradiation</li> </ul>	Not required
Nivolumab + mFOLFOX6 or CAPOX 4/16/2021 (CM-649)	Gastric, GEJ, esophageal	Adenocarcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced or metastatic gastric, GEJ or esophageal adenocarcinoma</li> </ul>	Not required
Pembrolizumab 7/30/2019 (KN-181)	Esophageal, GEJ	Squamous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recurrent locally advanced or metastatic</li> <li>Not amenable to surgical resection or definitive chemoradiation</li> <li>After ≥1 prior lines of systemic therapy</li> </ul>	CPS ≥10
Nivolumab 6/10/2020 (ATTRACTION-3)	Esophageal	Squamous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unresectable advanced, recurrent or metastatic</li> <li>After prior fluoropyrimidine- and platinum-based chemotherapy</li> </ul>	Not required

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# Nivolumab plus chemotherapy or ipilimumab in gastro-oesophageal cancer

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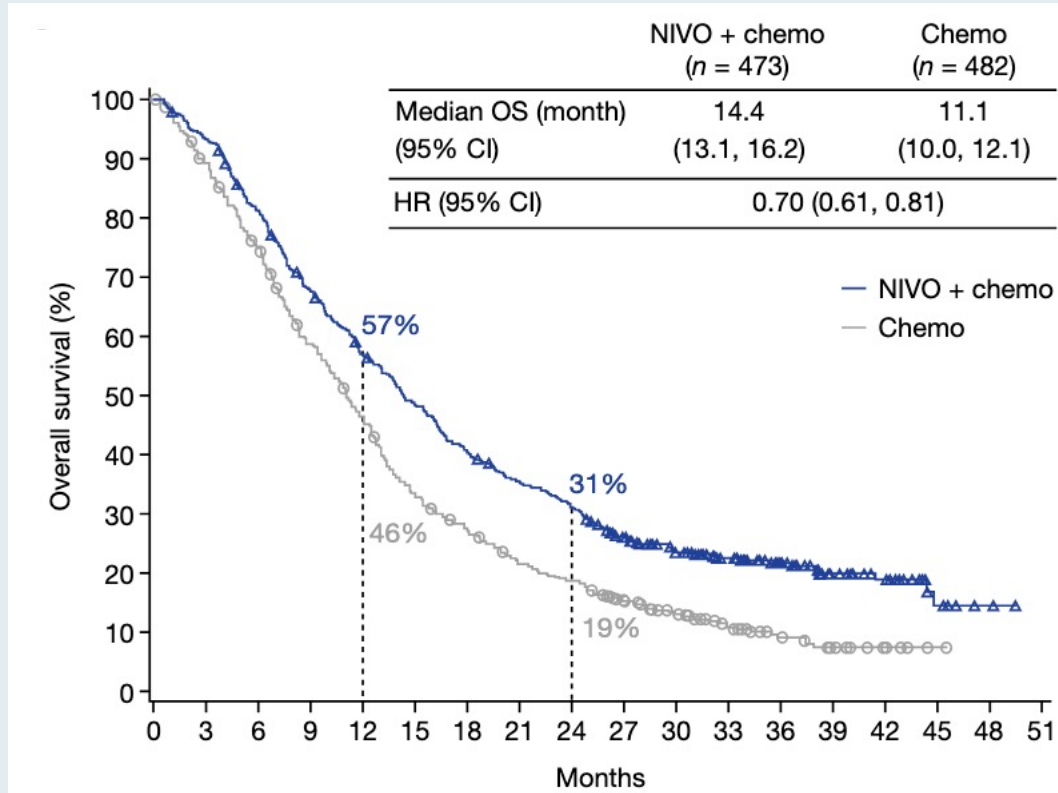
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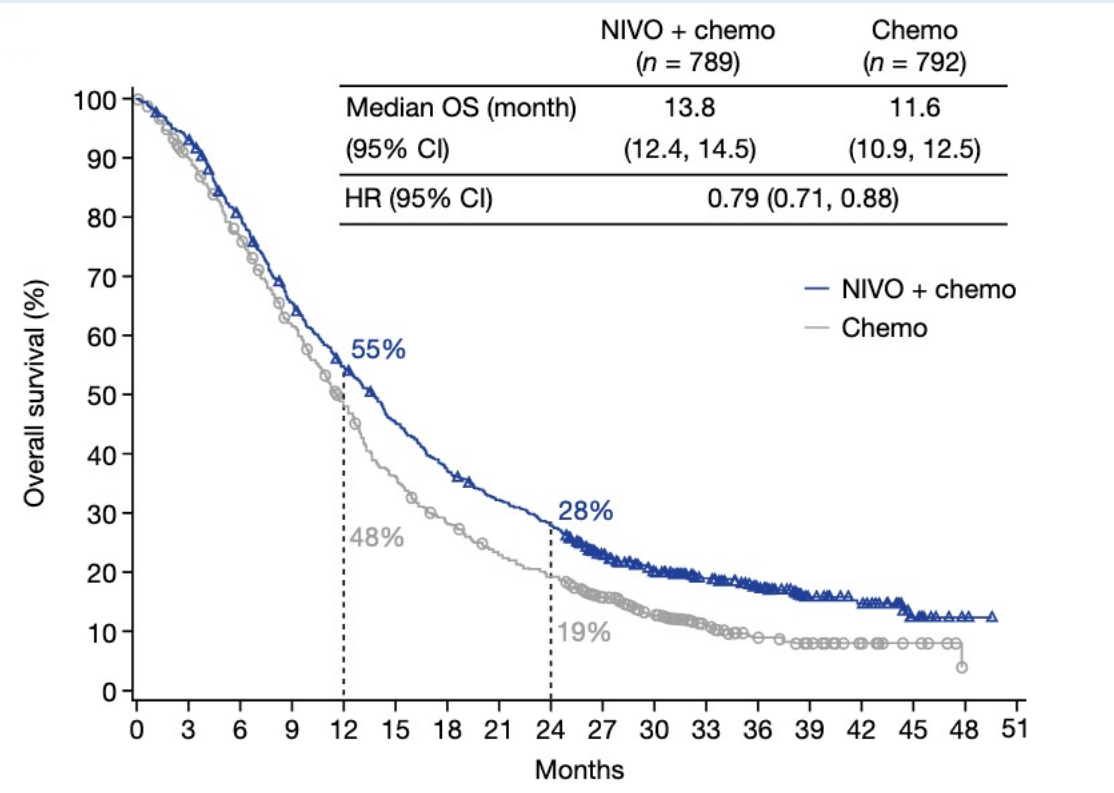
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# CheckMate 649: Overall Survival

## PD-L1 CPS $\geq 5$



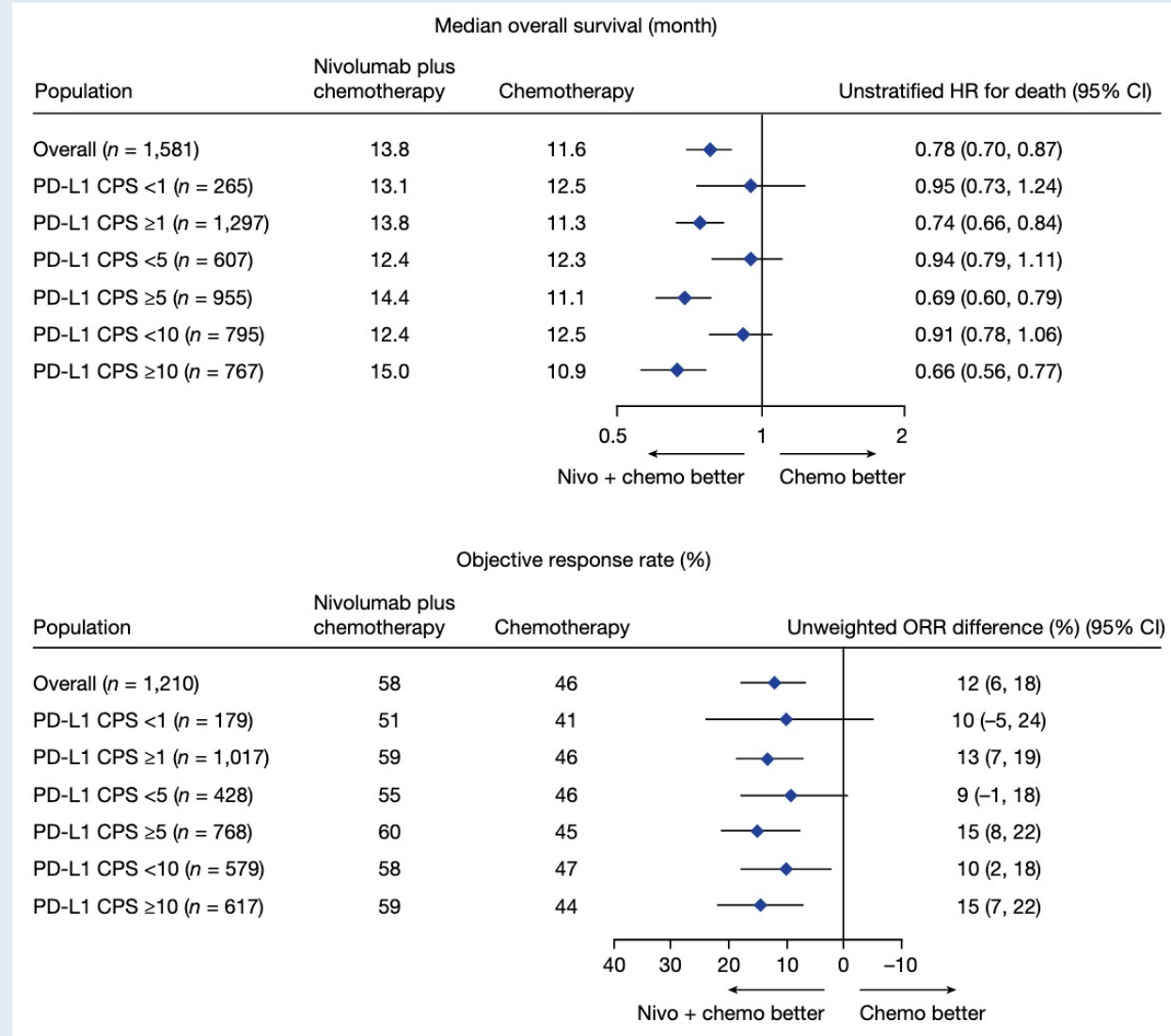
## All randomly assigned patients



CPS = combined positive score



# CheckMate 649: Efficacy Subgroup Analysis by PD-L1 CPS Excluding Patients with MSI-High Tumors



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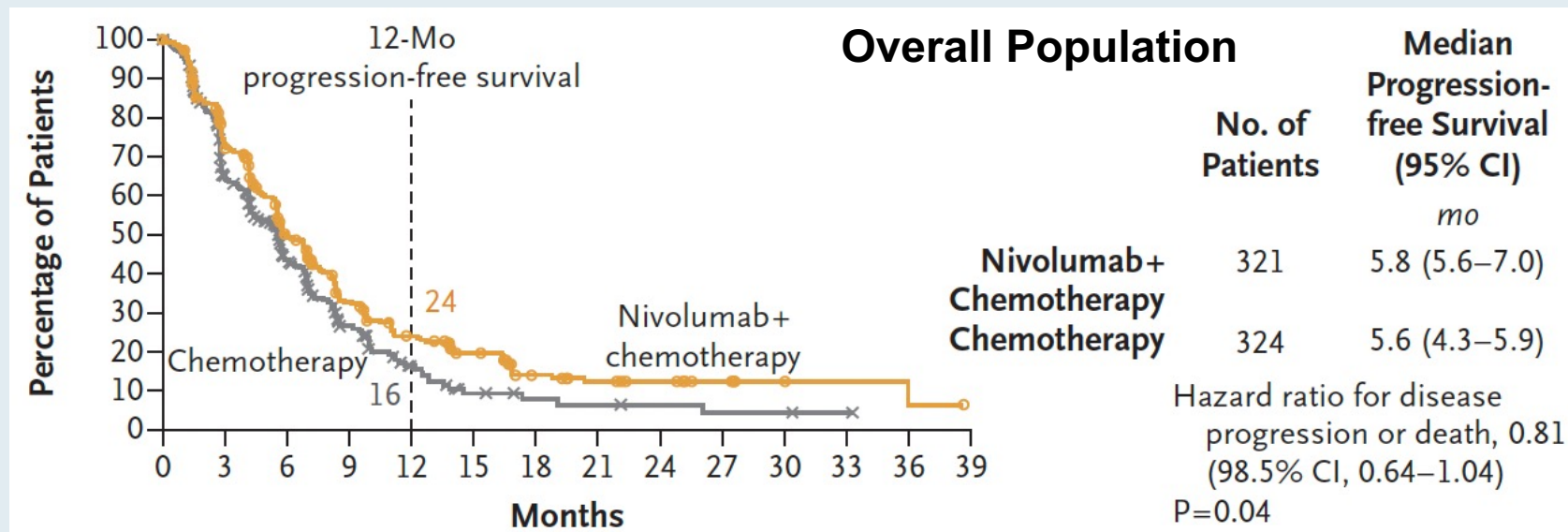
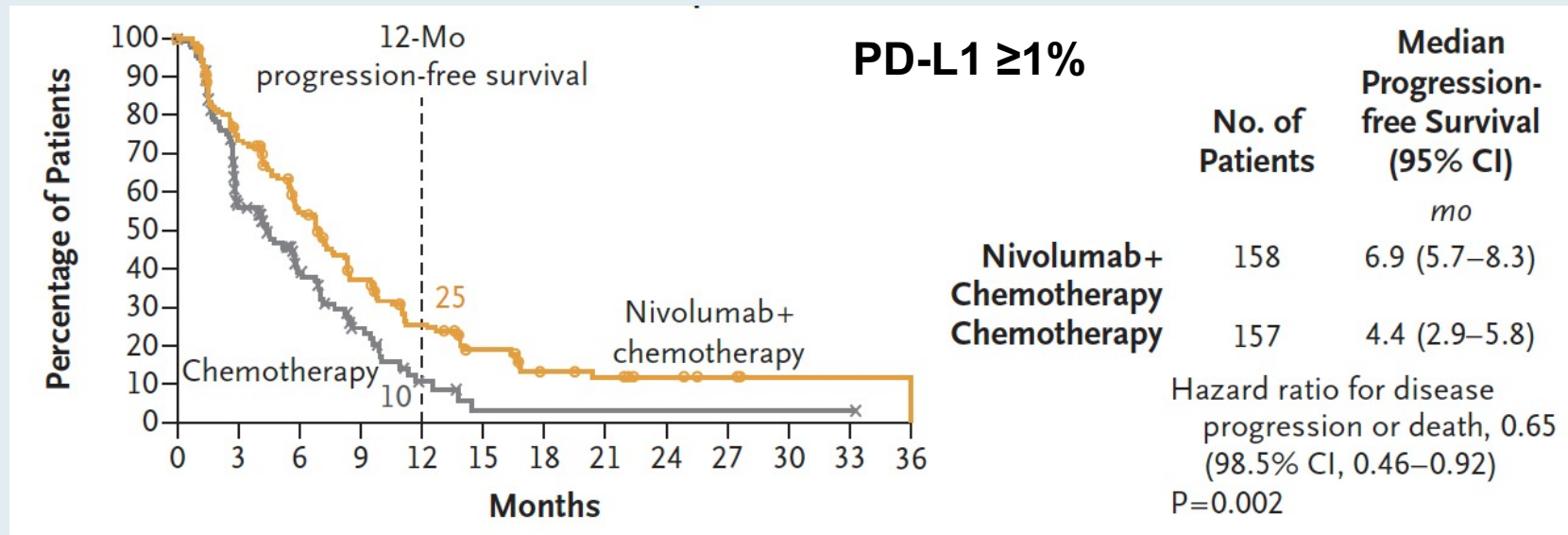
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# Nivolumab Combination Therapy in Advanced Esophageal Squamous-Cell Carcinoma

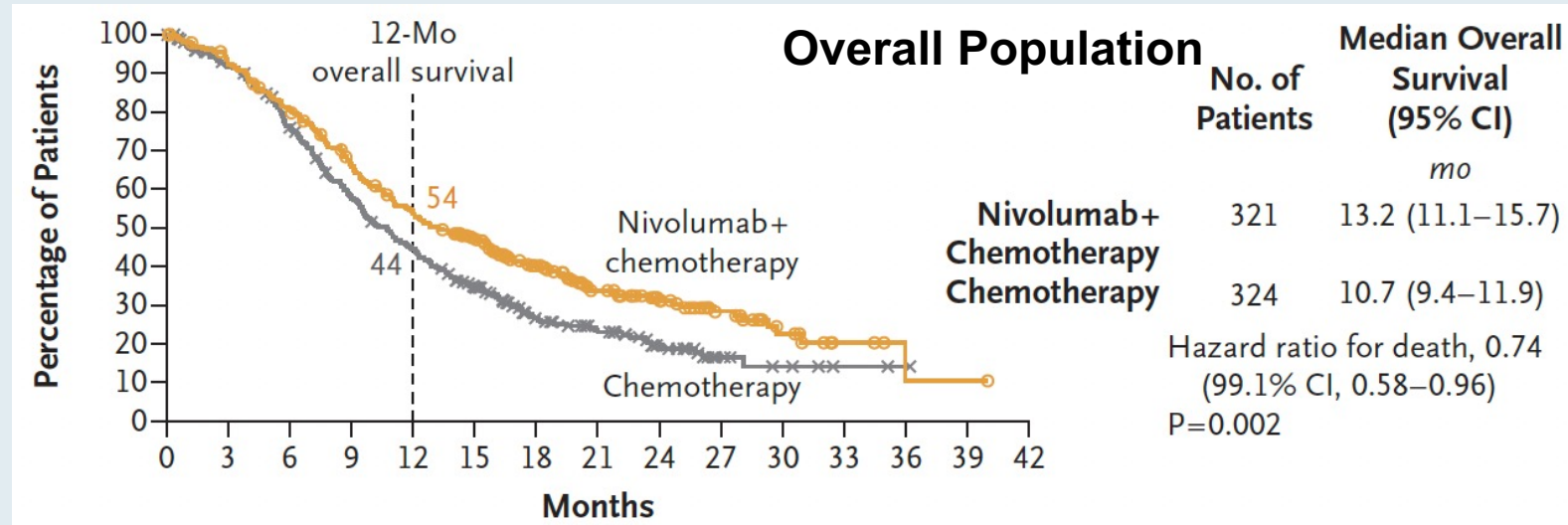
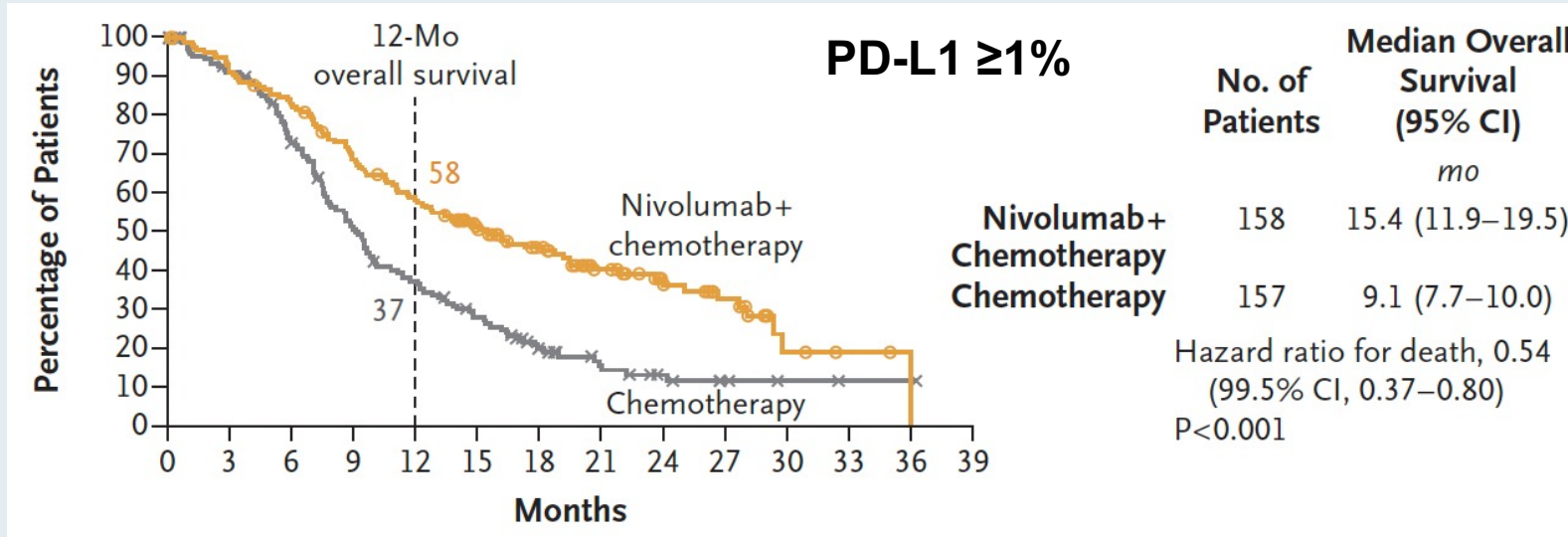
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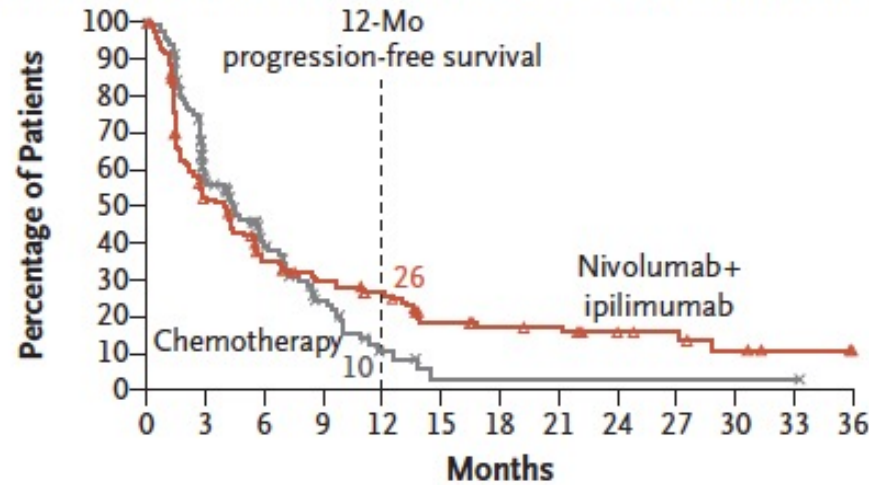


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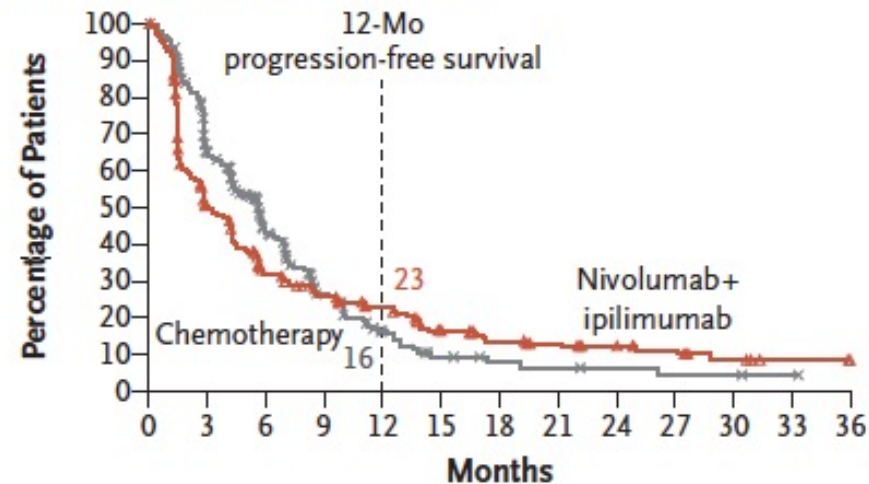
Progression-free Survival in Patients with Tumor-Cell PD-L1 Expression of  $\geq 1\%$



	No. of Patients	Median Progression-free Survival (95% CI) mo
Nivolumab+ Ipilimumab	158	4.0 (2.4–4.9)
Chemotherapy	157	4.4 (2.9–5.8)

Hazard ratio for disease progression or death, 1.02 (98.5% CI, 0.73–1.43)  
P=0.90

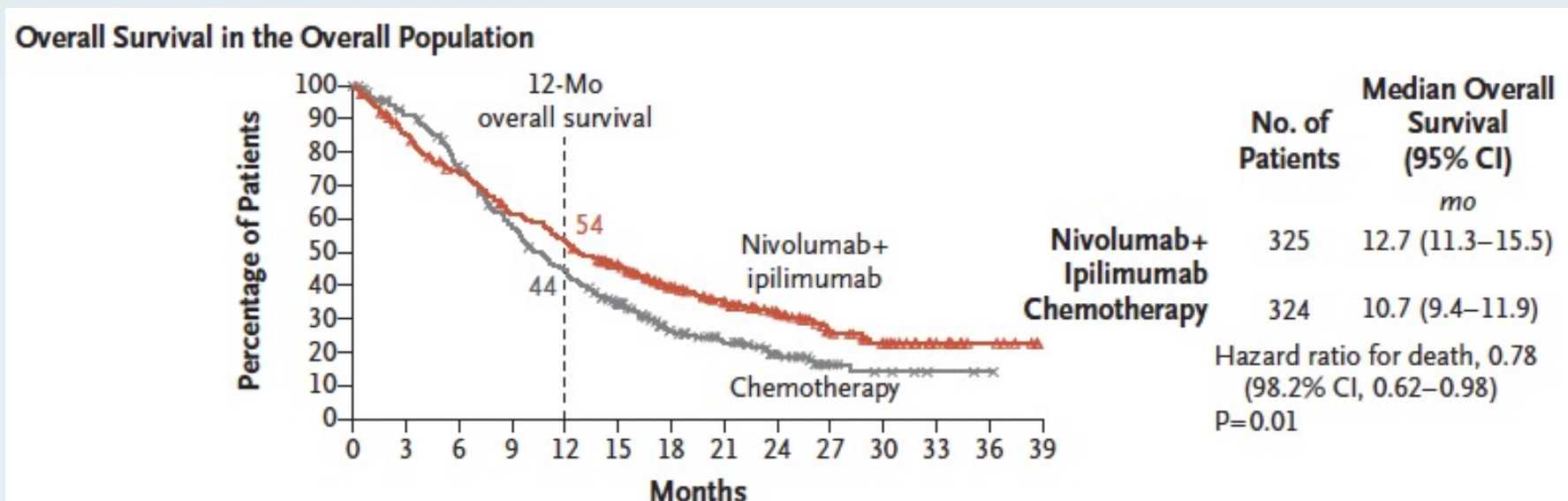
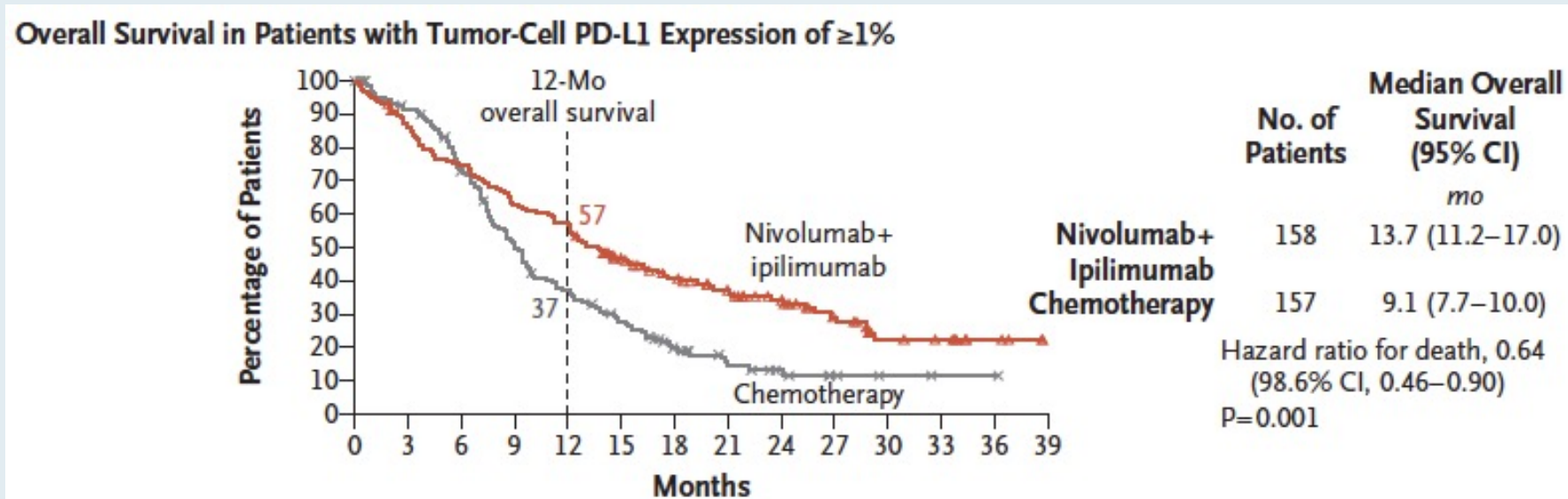
Progression-free Survival in the Overall Population



	No. of Patients	Median Progression-free Survival (95% CI) mo
Nivolumab+ Ipilimumab	325	2.9 (2.7–4.2)
Chemotherapy	324	5.6 (4.3–5.9)

Hazard ratio for disease progression or death, 1.26 (95% CI, 1.04–1.52)  
P value not tested

# CheckMate 648: Overall Survival for PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$ and in the Overall Population – Nivolumab + Ipilimumab



## CheckMate 648: Antitumor Activity (BICR)

Endpoint	PD-L1 ≥1%			Overall population		
	Nivo/chemo (n = 158)	Nivo/ipi (n = 158)	Chemotherapy (n = 157)	Nivo/chemo (n = 321)	Nivo/ipi (n = 325)	Chemotherapy (n = 324)
ORR	53%	35%	20%	47%	28%	27%
<b>Best overall response</b>						
CR	16%	18%	5%	13%	11%	6%
PR	37%	18%	15%	34%	17%	21%
SD	25%	27%	46%	32%	32%	46%
PD	14%	30%	15%	13%	32%	12%
Median DoR	8.4 mo	11.8 mo	5.7 mo	8.2 mo	11.1 mo	7.1 mo
Pts with ongoing response	13%	25%	3%	17%	22%	6%

BICR = blinded independent central review

## CheckMate 648: Select Treatment-Related Adverse Events

Endpoint	Nivolumab/chemotherapy (N = 310)		Nivolumab/ipilimumab (N = 322)		Chemotherapy (N = 304)	
	Any grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any grade	Grade 3 or 4
Serious AEs	53%	35%	20%	47%	28%	27%
AEs leading to discontinuation	16%	18%	5%	13%	11%	6%
Nausea	59%	4%	8%	<1%	52%	3%
Stomatitis	32%	6%	4%	0	23%	2%
Anemia	30%	10%	4%	1%	22%	6%
Decreased neutrophils	21%	8%	1%	0	17%	8%
Decreased white cells	14%	4%	1%	0	9%	2%



# Checkmate-649 versus Checkmate-648

CM-649 - Gastric cancer

**NIVO (1 mg/kg) +  
IPI (3 mg/kg) Q3W × 4  
then NIVO 240 mg Q2W<sup>e</sup>**

Different schedules!

CM-648 - Esophageal cancer

**NIVO (3 mg/kg) Q2W +  
IPI (1 mg/kg) Q6W**

## CM-649: Treatment-related Adverse Events

All treated, <sup>a</sup> n (%)	NIVO + chemo (n = 782) <sup>b</sup>		Chemo (n = 767) <sup>b</sup>		NIVO + IPI (n = 403) <sup>c</sup>		Chemo (n = 389) <sup>c</sup>	
	Any grade	Grade 3-4	Any grade	Grade 3-4	Any grade	Grade 3-4	Any grade	Grade 3-4
Any TRAEs <sup>d</sup>	739 (95)	471 (60)	682 (89)	344 (45)	323 (80)	155 (38)	356 (92)	180 (46)
Serious TRAEs <sup>d</sup>	175 (22)	133 (17)	94 (12)	77 (10)	122 (30)	93 (23)	54 (14)	45 (12)
TRAEs leading to discontinuation <sup>d,e</sup>	300 (38)	141 (18)	188 (25)	70 (9)	88 (22)	68 (17)	101 (26)	37 (10)
Treatment-related deaths <sup>f</sup>	16 (2) <sup>g</sup>		4 (< 1) <sup>h</sup>		10 (2) <sup>i</sup>		3 (< 1) <sup>j</sup>	

# **Nivolumab (NIVO) plus Chemotherapy (Chemo) or Ipilimumab (IPI) vs Chemo as First-Line Treatment for Advanced Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma (ESCC): Expanded Efficacy and Safety Analyses from CheckMate 648**

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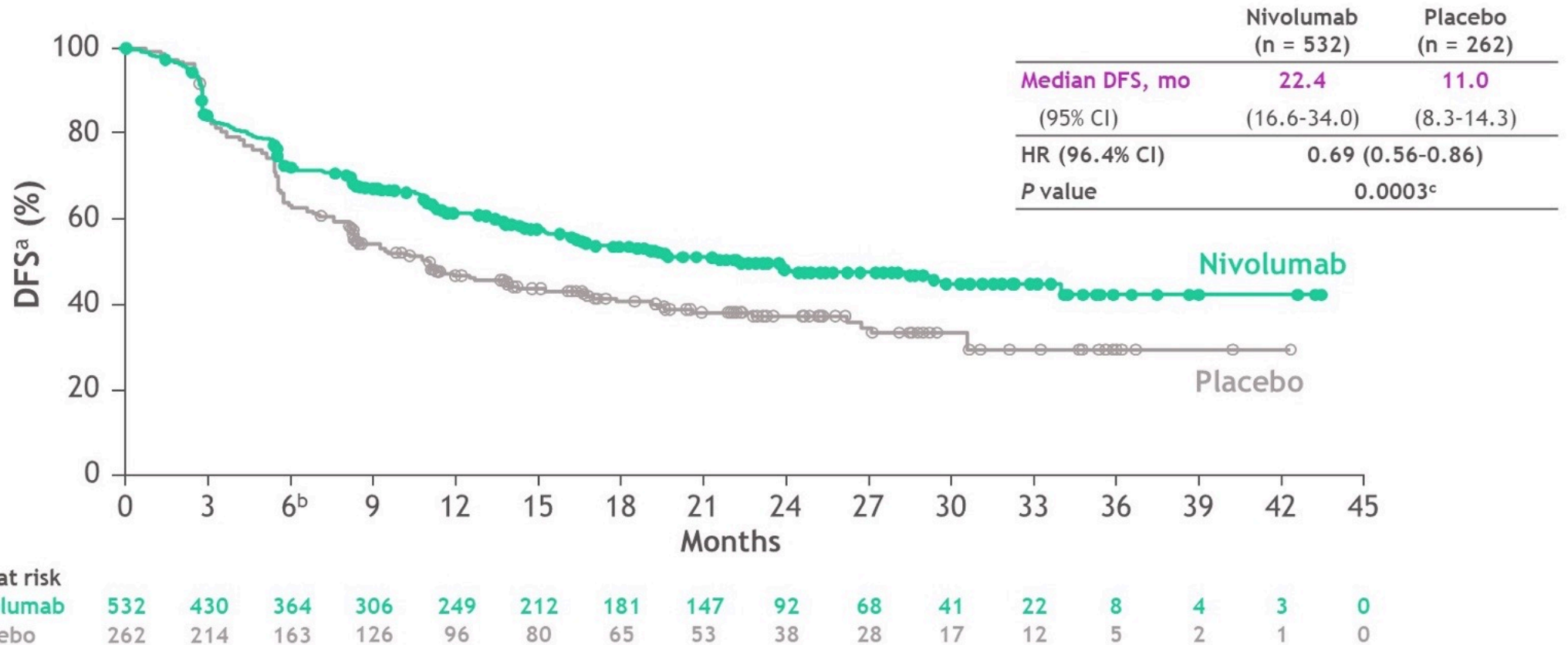
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# Adjuvant nivolumab in resected esophageal or gastroesophageal junction cancer following neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy: expanded efficacy and safety analyses from CheckMate 577

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# CheckMate 577: Disease-Free Survival (DFS)



- Nivolumab provided superior DFS with a 31% reduction in the risk of recurrence or death and a doubling in median DFS versus placebo

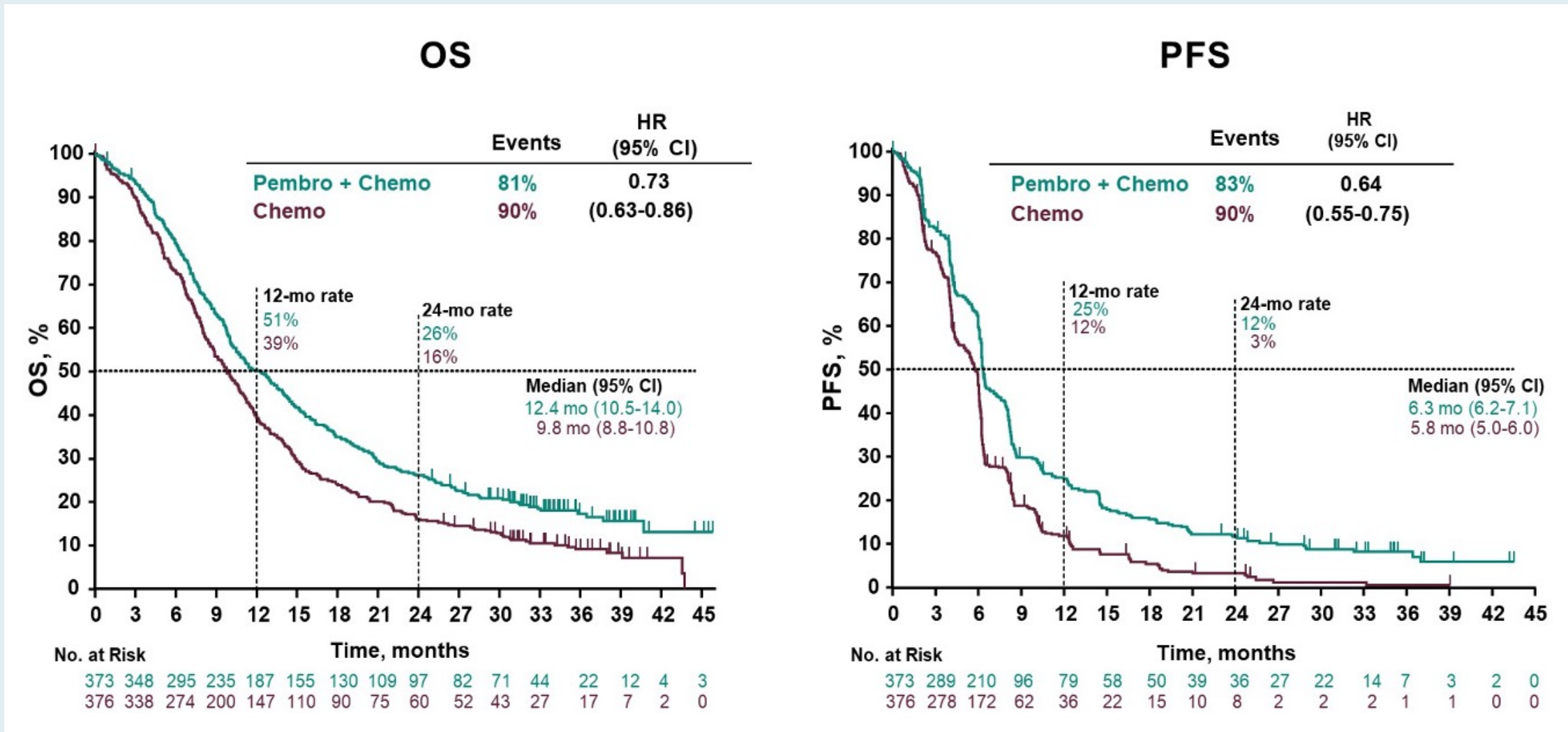
# First-line Pembrolizumab Plus Chemotherapy Versus Chemotherapy in Advanced Esophageal Cancer: Longer-term Efficacy, Safety, and Quality-of-life Results From the Phase 3 KEYNOTE-590 Study

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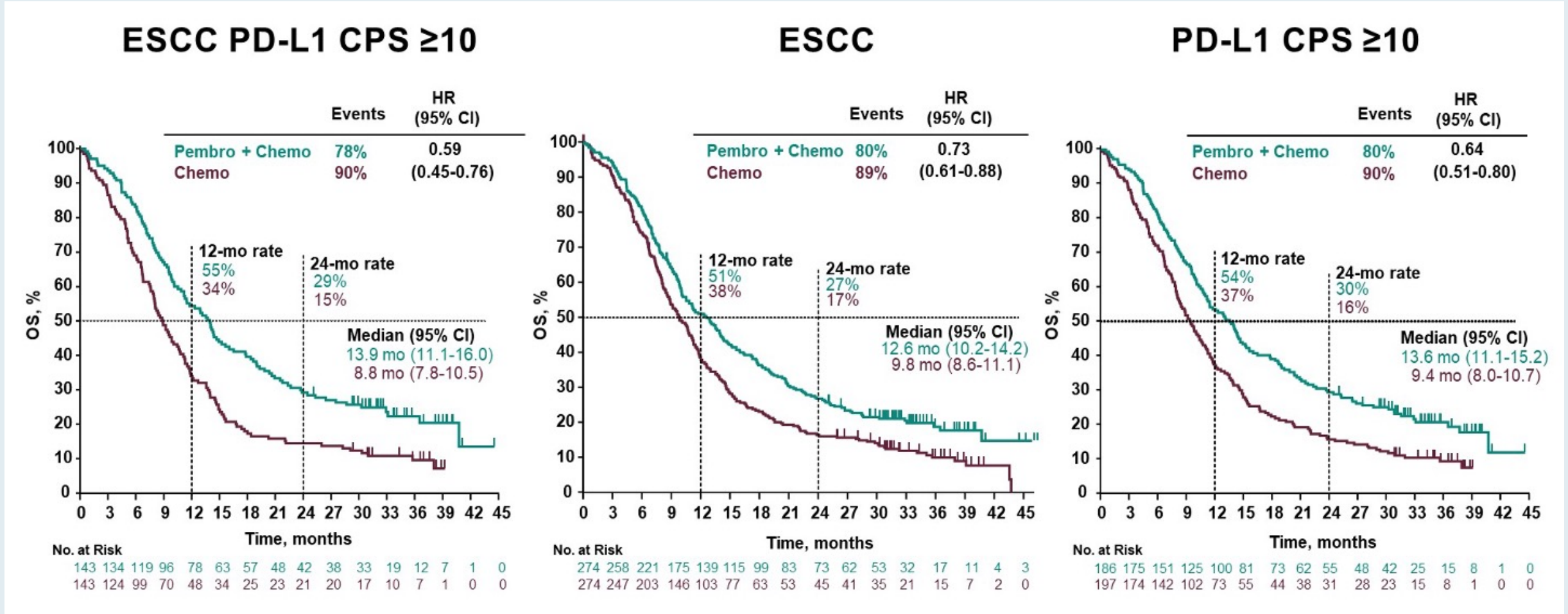
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# KEYNOTE-590: Survival Analyses (All Patients)



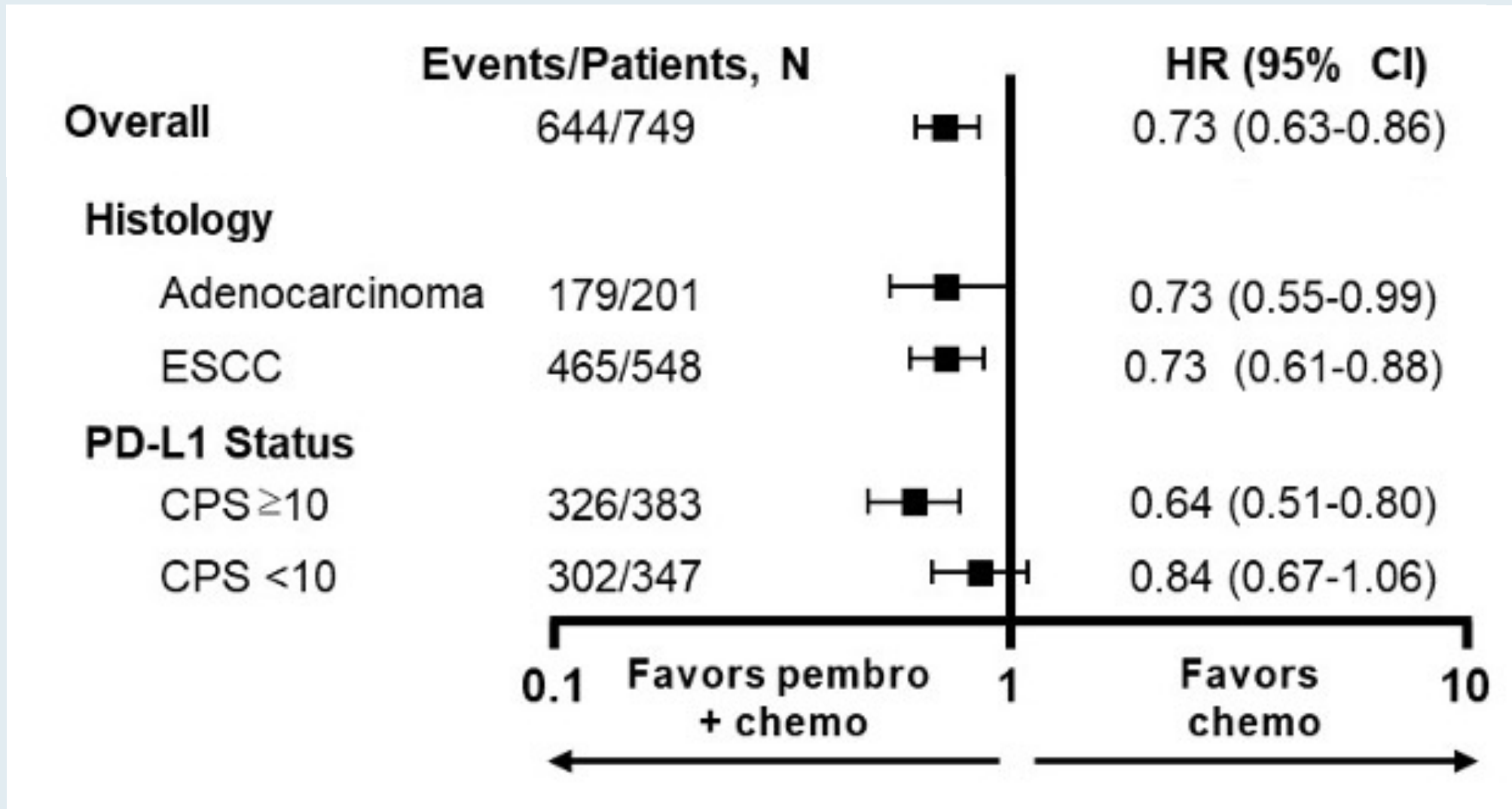
OS = overall survival; PFS = progression-free survival

# KEYNOTE-590: Overall Survival (OS) in Prespecified Subgroups



ESCC = esophageal squamous cell carcinoma

# KEYNOTE-590: Overall Survival in Select Subgroups



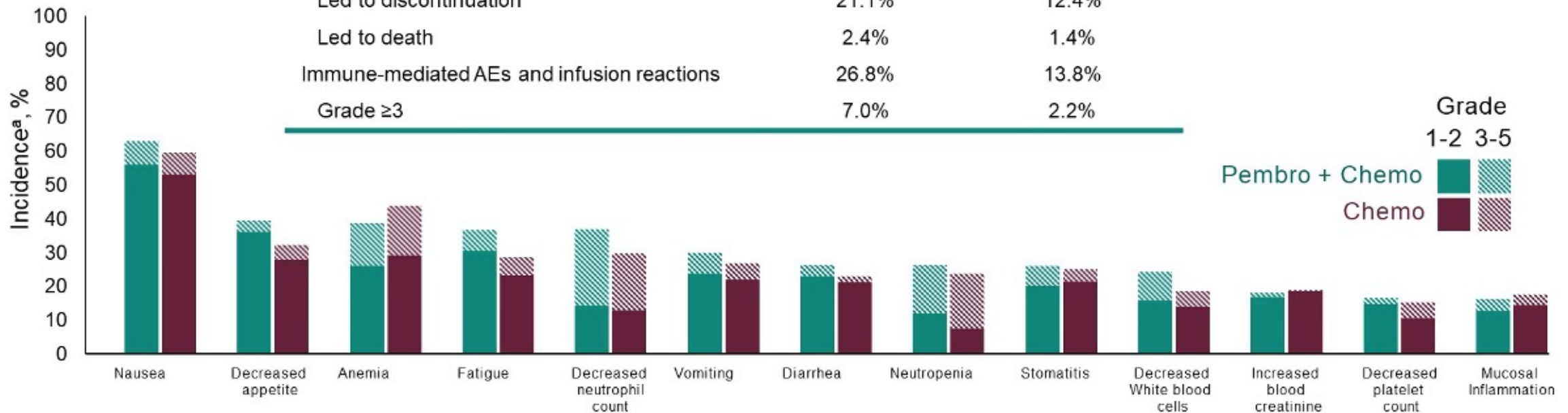


## KEYNOTE-590: Antitumor Response

Best response, n (%)	Pembro + Chemo N = 373	Chemo N = 376
<b>ORR, n (%)</b>	<b>168 (45.0)</b>	<b>110 (29.3)</b>
Complete response	25 (6.7)	9 (2.4)
Partial response	143 (38.3)	101 (26.9)
Stable disease	126 (33.8)	174 (46.3)
Disease control rate	294 (78.8)	284 (75.5)
Progressive disease	43 (11.5)	59 (15.7)
Not evaluable/no assessment	36 (9.6)	33 (8.7)
Median DOR (range), mo	8.3 (1.2+ to 41.7+)	6.0 (1.5+ to 34.9+)
<b>≥ 24 months response duration, %</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>6.2</b>

# KEYNOTE-590: Adverse Events Summary

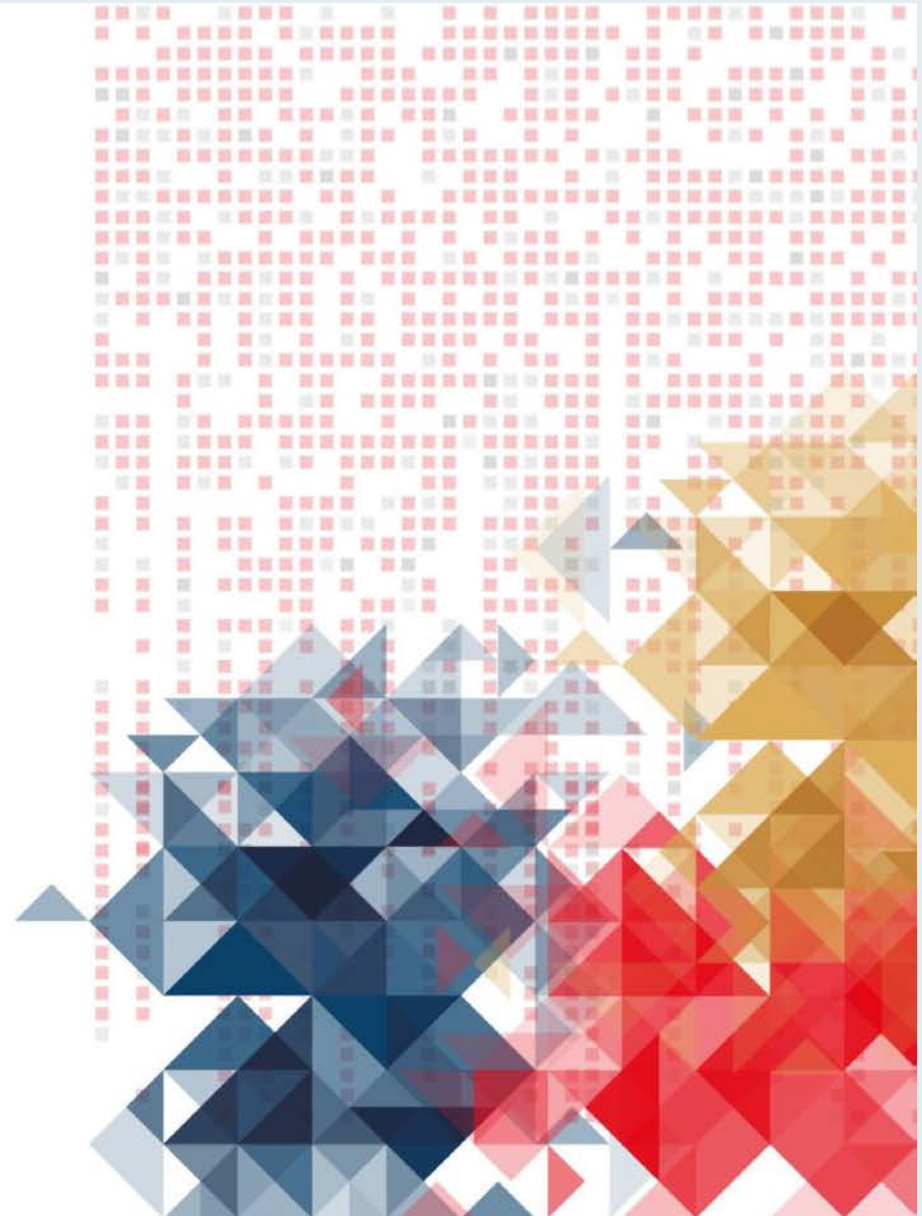
Events, n (%)	Pembro + Chemo N = 373	Chemo N = 376
Any	100%	99.5%
Treatment-related	98.4%	97.3%
Grade $\geq 3$	71.9%	67.6%
Led to discontinuation	21.1%	12.4%
Led to death	2.4%	1.4%
Immune-mediated AEs and infusion reactions	26.8%	13.8%
Grade $\geq 3$	7.0%	2.2%



## Sintilimab plus chemotherapy (chemo) versus chemo as the first-line treatment for advanced gastric or gastroesophageal junction (G/GEJ) adenocarcinoma (ORIENT-16)

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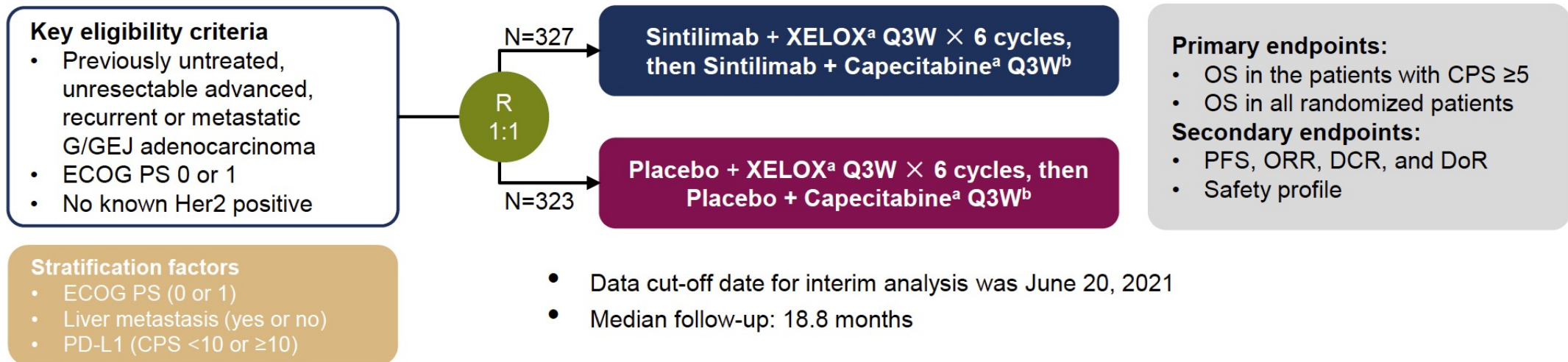


# ORIENT-16: Phase III Trial Design

Sintilimab is a recombinant fully humanized anti-PD-1 monoclonal antibody.

Previous study has shown encouraging anti-tumor activities of Sintilimab plus chemotherapy in 1L G/GEJ cancer.

ORIENT-16<sup>a</sup> is a randomized, double-blind, phase 3 study



## Statistical considerations

- Type I error is strictly controlled using fixed sequence test. OS in CPS≥5 and all randomized are tested hierarchically
- One interim analysis is planned, and O'Brien-Fleming is used for the alpha boundary (alpha=0.0148).

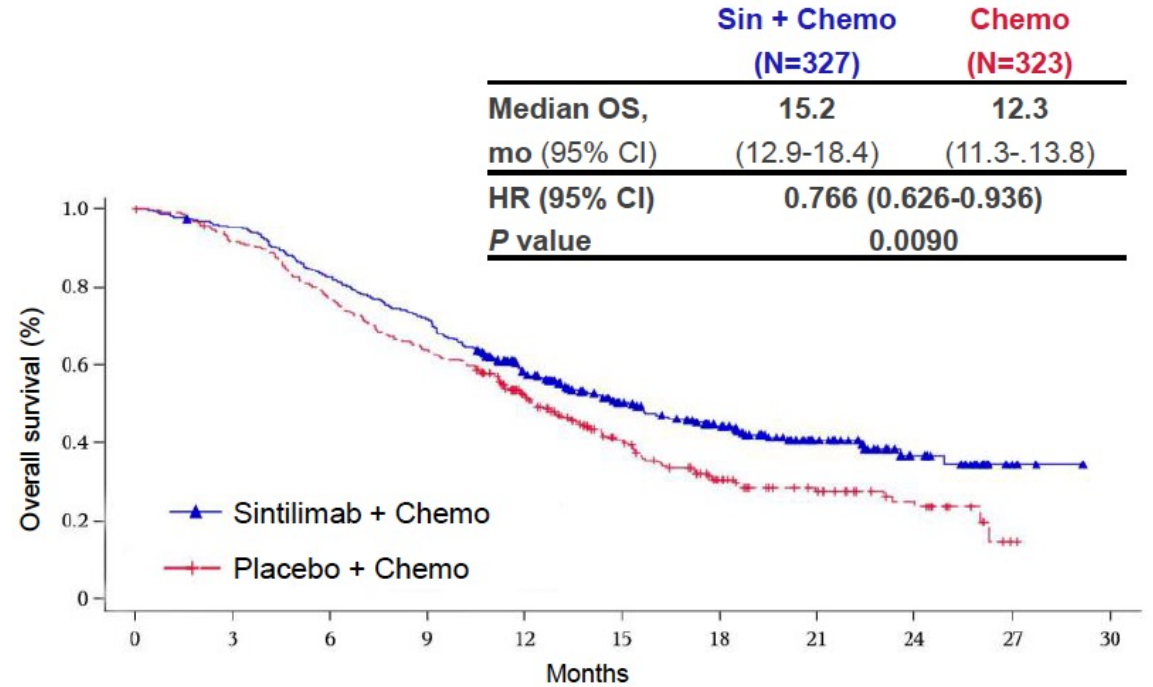
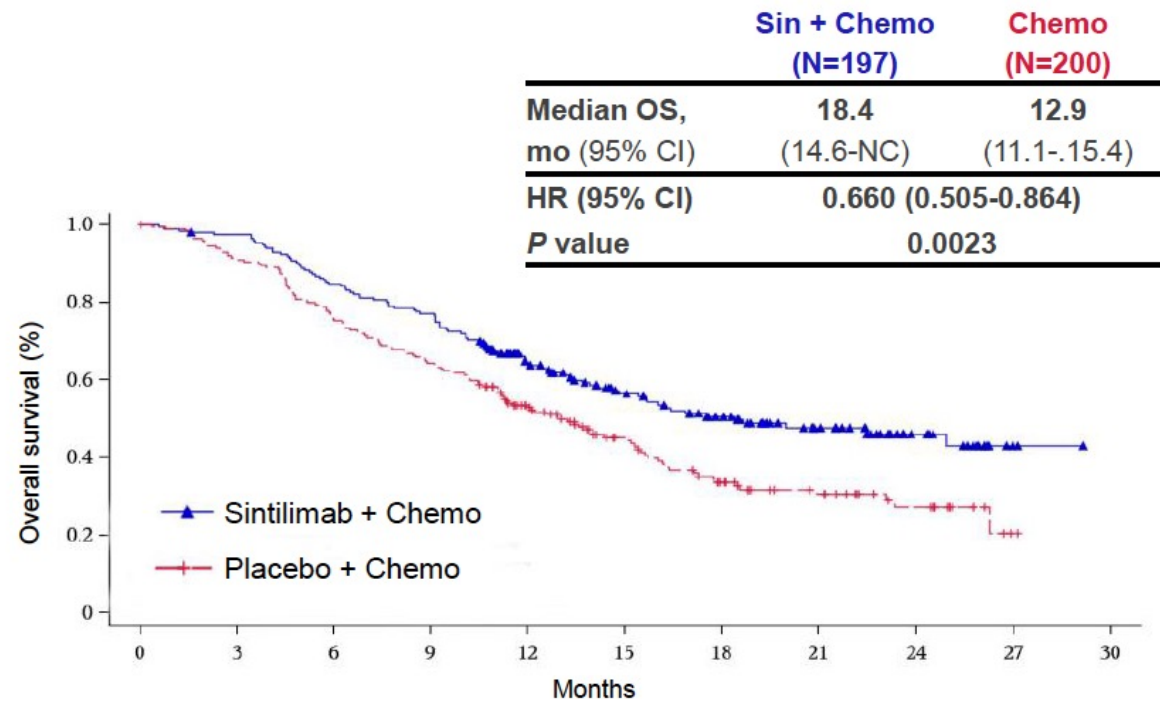
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<sup>c</sup> Until progressive disease, intolerable toxicity, withdrawal of consent. Treatment is given for a maximum of 2 years.

# ORIENT-16: Overall Survival (OS) with Sintilimab and Chemotherapy for Advanced Gastric or GEJ Adenocarcinoma

**PD-L1 CPS  $\geq 5$**

**All patients**



## Sintilimab plus chemotherapy versus chemotherapy as first-line therapy in patients with advanced or metastatic esophageal squamous cell cancer: First Results of the Phase 3 ORIENT-15 study

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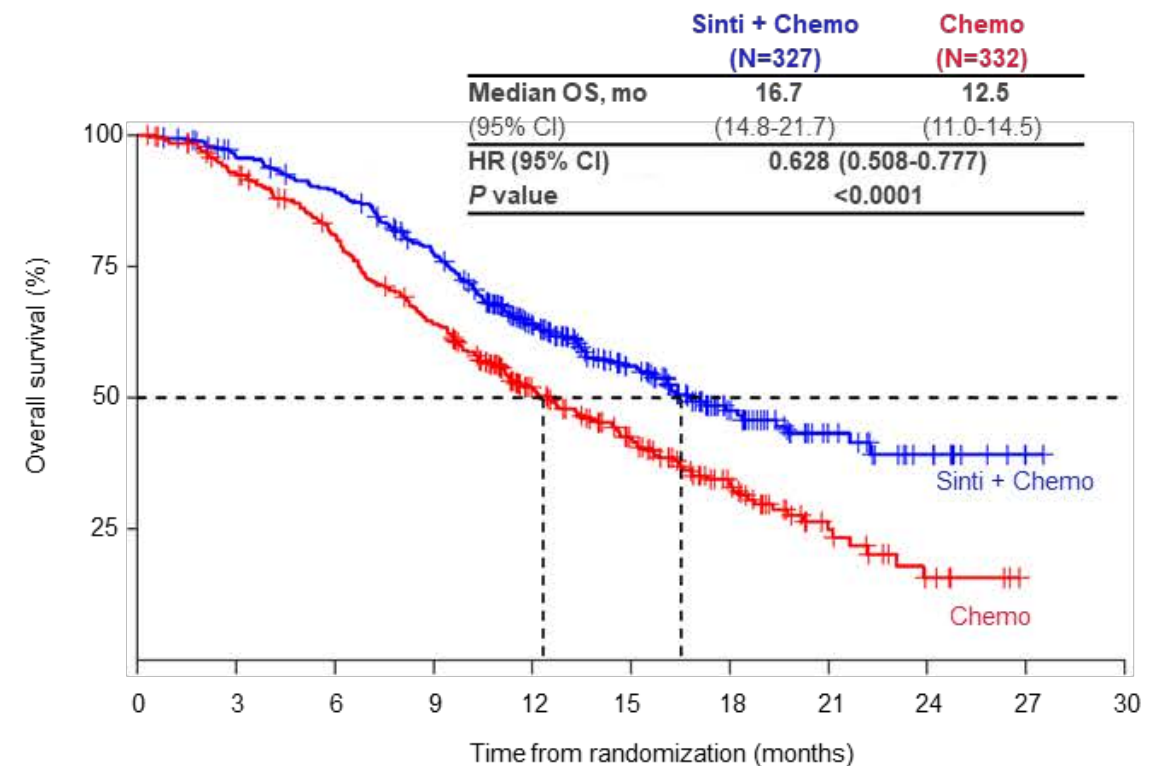
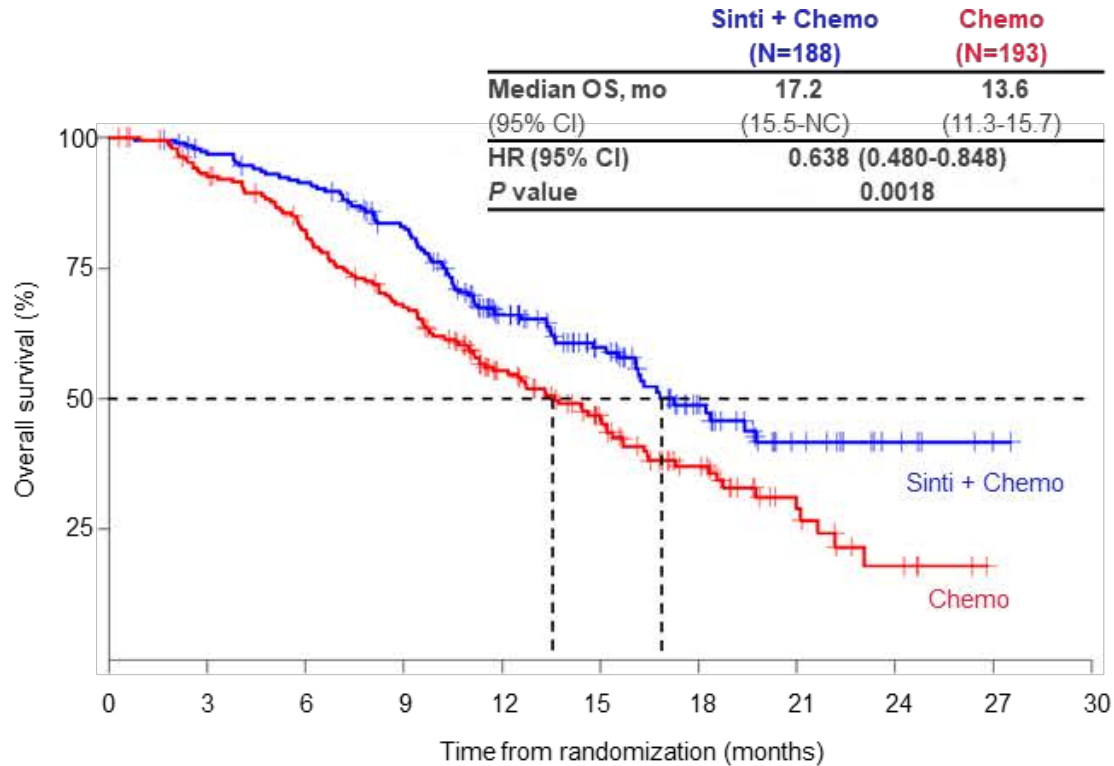
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# ORIENT-15: Overall Survival with Sintilimab and Chemotherapy for Advanced or Metastatic Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma

PD-L1 CPS  $\geq 10$

All patients



No. at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Sinti + Chemo	188	178	167	146	96	65	33	14	6	1	0
Chemo	193	174	151	122	82	57	31	13	5	0	0

No. at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Sinti + Chemo	327	305	283	240	161	105	52	25	11	2	0
Chemo	332	300	258	202	127	88	45	17	6	0	0



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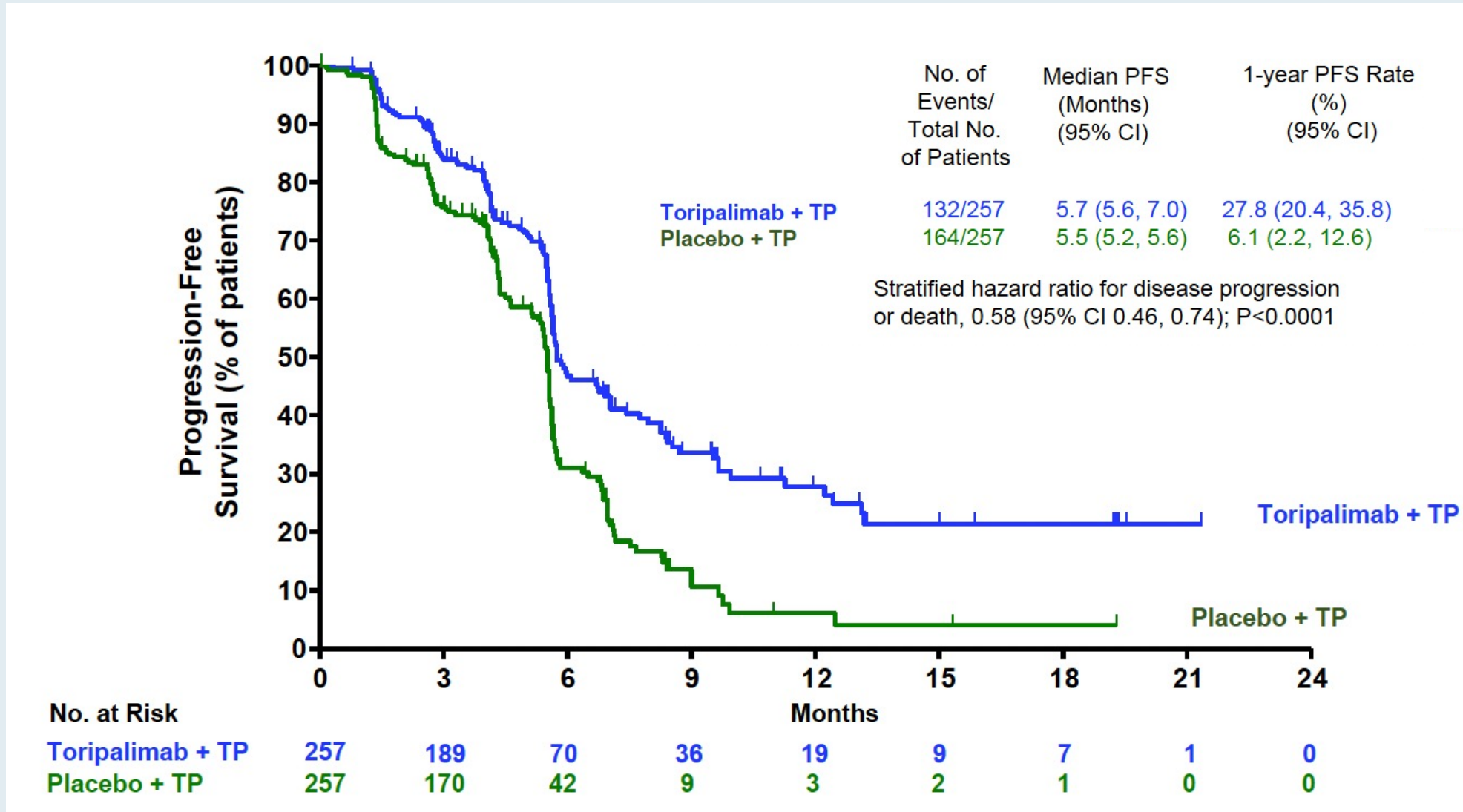
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# Toripalimab plus chemotherapy in treatment-naïve, advanced esophageal squamous cell carcinoma (JUPITER-06): A multi-center phase 3 trial

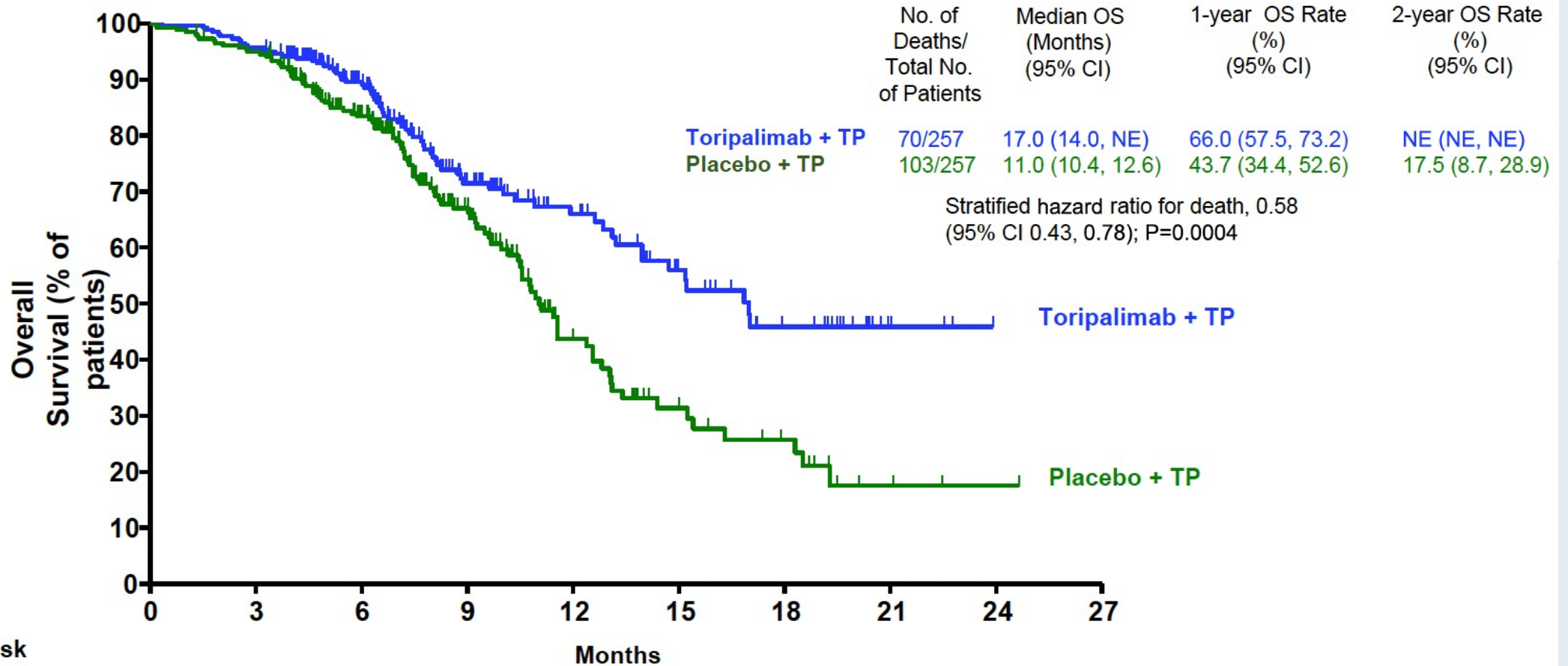
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# JUPITER-06: Progression-Free Survival (BICR, ITT Population)



# JUPITER-06: Overall Survival (ITT Population)



No. at Risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
Toripalimab + TP	257	246	171	86	52	31	18	4	0	0
Placebo + TP	257	242	166	79	33	18	11	3	1	0

# JUPITER-06: Tumor Response

Variable	Toripalimab + TP (n = 257)	Placebo + TP (n = 257)
<b>Best overall response, no. (%)</b>		
Complete response	30 (11.7)	18 (7.0)
Partial response	148 (57.6)	116 (45.1)
Stable disease	51 (19.8)	77 (30.0)
Progressive disease	18 (7.0)	35 (13.6)
Non-CR/non-PD <sup>a</sup>	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)
Not evaluable <sup>b</sup>	9 (3.5)	9 (3.5)
<b>Objective response rate (ORR)</b>		
ORR % (95% CI)	69.3 (63.2–74.8)	52.1 (45.8–58.4)
Difference in ORR % (95% CI)	17.2 (9.0–25.4)	
p value <sup>c</sup>	<0.0001	
<b>Disease control rate (DCR)</b>		
DCR % (95% CI)	89.1 (84.6–92.6)	82.1 (76.9–86.6)
Difference in DCR % (95% CI)	7.1 (1.1–13.1)	
p value <sup>c</sup>	0.0206	

# JUPITER-06: Select Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs)

Adverse event, no. of patients (%)	Toripalimab + TP (n = 257) no. (%)		Placebo + TP (n = 257) no. (%)	
	All grades	grade $\geq 3$	all grades	grade $\geq 3$
Any TEAE	255 (99.2)	188 (73.2)	255 (99.2)	180 (70.0)
Anemia	201 (78.2)	28 (10.9)	207 (80.5)	38 (14.8)
Leukopenia	174 (67.7)	52 (20.2)	138 (53.7)	34 (13.2)
Neutropenia	173 (67.3)	109 (42.4)	139 (54.1)	85 (33.1)
Nausea	111 (43.2)	0 (0)	118 (45.9)	5 (1.9)
Fatigue	110 (42.8)	11 (4.3)	101 (39.3)	5 (1.9)
Neuropathy peripheral	104 (40.5)	3 (1.2)	111 (43.2)	10 (3.9)
Vomiting	103 (40.1)	5 (1.9)	94 (36.6)	5 (1.9)
Decreased appetite	101 (39.3)	3 (1.2)	118 (45.9)	5 (1.9)

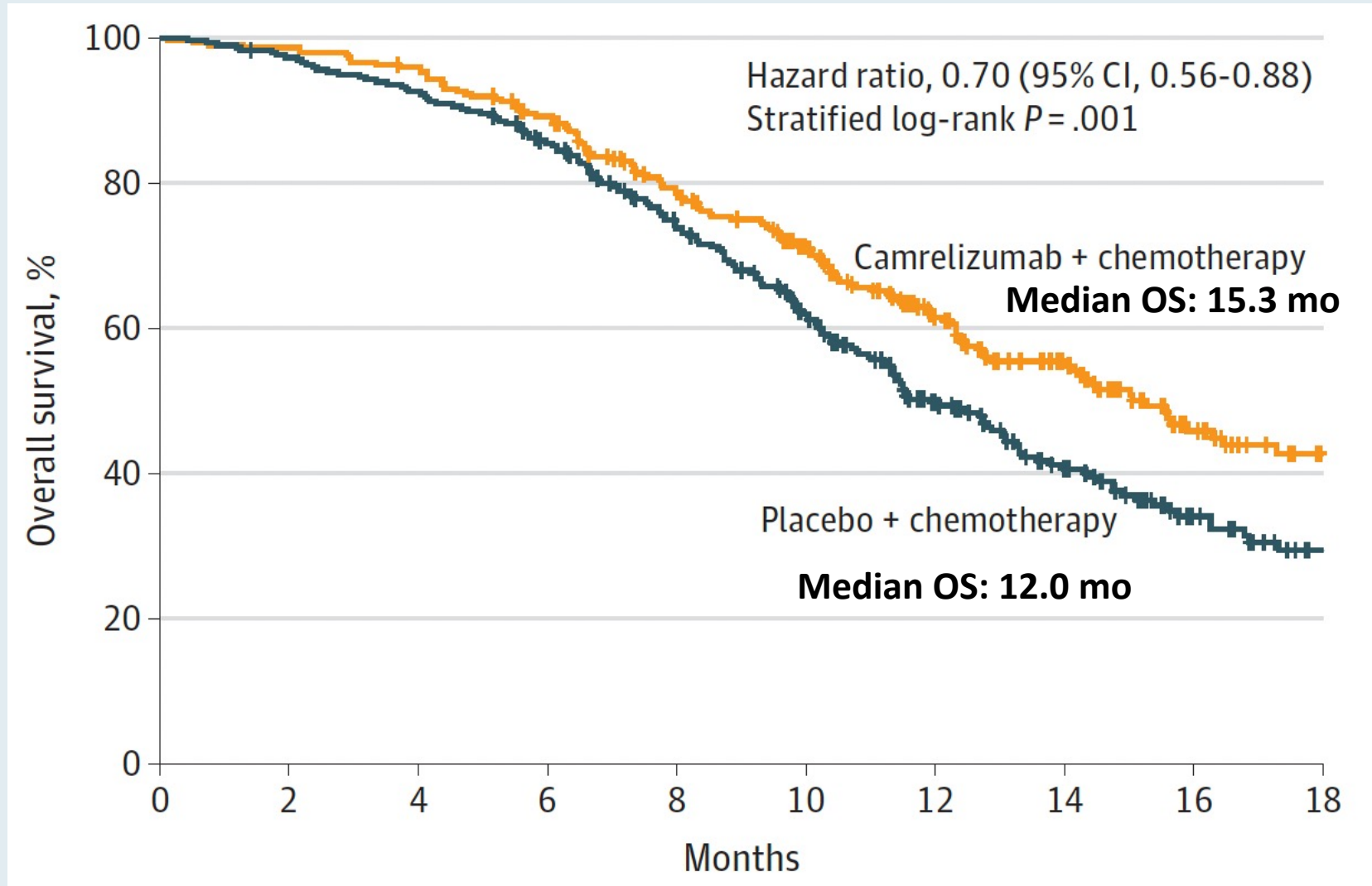
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# Effect of Camrelizumab vs Placebo Added to Chemotherapy on Survival and Progression-Free Survival in Patients With Advanced or Metastatic Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma

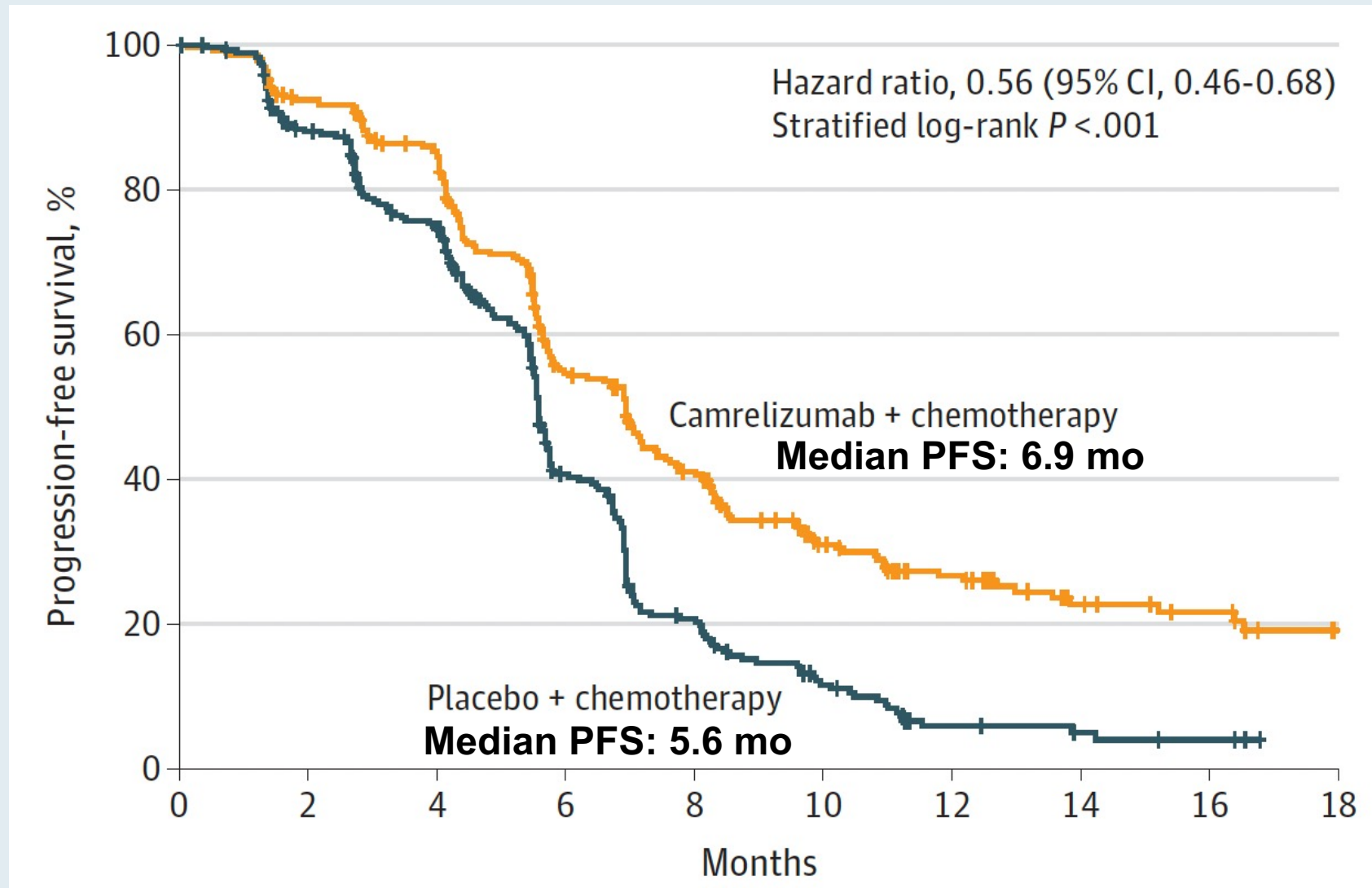
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# ESCORT-1st: Overall Survival (Coprimary Endpoint)



# ESCORT-1st: Progression-Free Survival (Coprimary Endpoint)



## ESCOR-1st: Select Adverse Events

	No. (%) of patients			
	Camrelizumab + chemotherapy (n = 298)		Placebo + chemotherapy (n = 297)	
	Any grade <sup>a</sup>	≥Grade 3	Any grade	≥Grade 3
Treatment-related adverse events <sup>b</sup>	296 (99.3) <sup>c</sup>	189 (63.4)	288 (97.0)	201 (67.7)
Reactive cutaneous capillary endothelial proliferation	238 (79.9)	3 (1.0)	32 (10.8)	0
Anemia	229 (76.8)	52 (17.4)	217 (73.1)	40 (13.5)
White blood cell count decreased	202 (67.8)	72 (24.2)	194 (65.3)	79 (26.6)
Neutrophil count decreased	201 (67.4)	119 (39.9)	186 (62.6)	129 (43.4)
Nausea	150 (50.3)	4 (1.3)	154 (51.9)	5 (1.7)
Asthenia	141 (47.3)	6 (2.0)	129 (43.4)	8 (2.7)
Alopecia	135 (45.3)	1 (0.3)	147 (49.5)	0
Decreased appetite	129 (43.3)	2 (0.7)	134 (45.1)	5 (1.7)
Vomiting	117 (39.3)	10 (3.4)	106 (35.7)	6 (2.0)
Platelet count decreased	77 (25.8)	8 (2.7)	73 (24.6)	6 (2.0)



## ESCOR-1st: Immune-Related Adverse Events

	No. (%) of patients			
	Camrelizumab + chemotherapy (n = 298)		Placebo + chemotherapy (n = 297)	
	Any grade <sup>a</sup>	≥Grade 3	Any grade	≥Grade 3
Immune-related adverse events <sup>d</sup>	252 (84.6)		98 (33.0)	
Reactive capillary endothelial proliferation	238 (79.9)		32 (10.8)	
Hypothyroidism	34 (11.4)		13 (4.4)	
Pruritus	20 (6.7)		7 (2.4)	
Hyperthyroidism	16 (5.4)		3 (1.0)	
Rash	16 (5.4)		6 (2.0)	
Pneumonitis	15 (5.0)		9 (3.0)	
Blood thyroid stimulating hormone decreased	10 (3.4)		1 (0.3)	

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**Ramucirumab monotherapy for previously treated advanced gastric or gastro-oesophageal junction adenocarcinoma (REGARD): an international, randomised, multicentre, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial**



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**Ramucirumab plus paclitaxel versus placebo plus paclitaxel in patients with previously treated advanced gastric or gastro-oesophageal junction adenocarcinoma (RAINBOW): a double-blind, randomised phase 3 trial**

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# Pivotal Phase III Studies of Ramucirumab for Advanced Gastric or GEJ Adenocarcinoma

Study	N	Setting	Treatment	Median OS	Hazard ratio (p-value)
REGARD	355	PD after first-line therapy	Ramucirumab Placebo	5.2 mo 3.8 mo	HR: 0.776 (p = 0.047)
RAINBOW	665	PD after first-line therapy	Ramucirumab/paclitaxel Placebo/paclitaxel	9.6 mo 7.4 mo	HR: 0.807 (p = 0.017)



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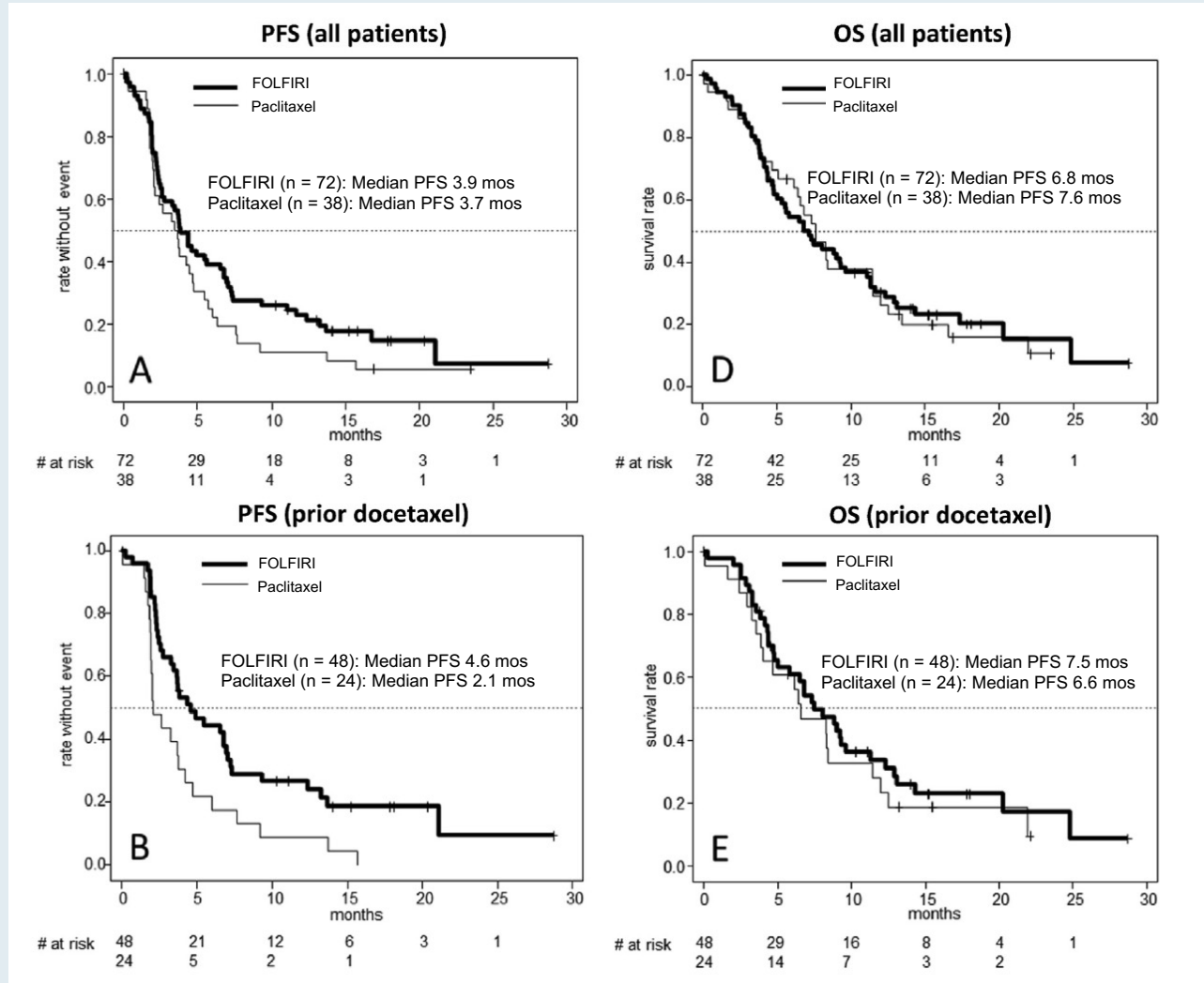
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Original Research

## FOLFIRI plus ramucirumab versus paclitaxel plus ramucirumab as second-line therapy for patients with advanced or metastatic gastroesophageal adenocarcinoma with or without prior docetaxel – results from the phase II RAMIRIS Study of the German Gastric Cancer Study Group at AIO

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# Phase II RAMIRIS Trial of Second-Line Ramucirumab with FOLFIRI: Patients with Advanced or Metastatic Gastroesophageal Adenocarcinoma with or without Prior Docetaxel



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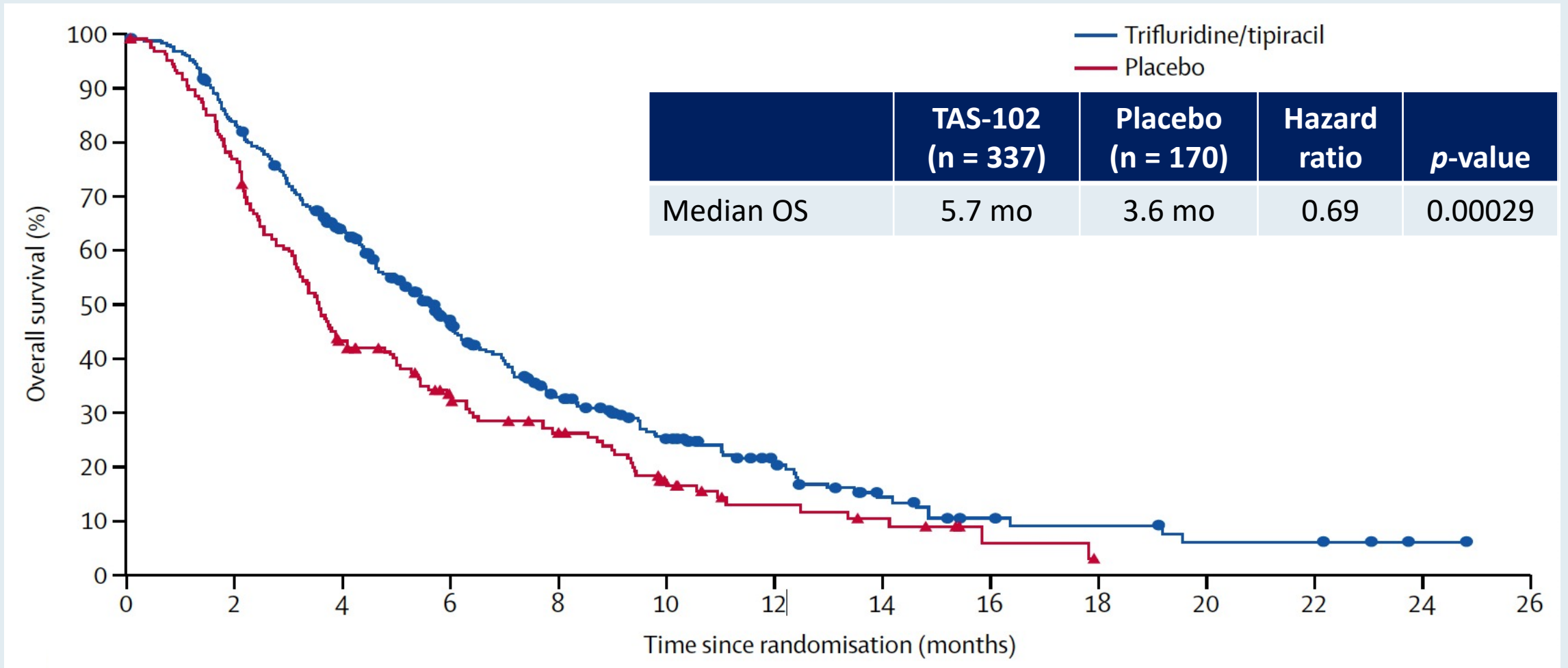
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**Trifluridine/tipiracil versus placebo in patients with heavily pretreated metastatic gastric cancer (TAGS): a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial**



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# TAGS: Overall Survival (Intent-to-Treat Population)



# Phase III RATIONALE 306 Trial of First-Line Tislelizumab with Chemotherapy for Advanced Esophageal Cancer Meets Its Primary Overall Survival Endpoint

Press Release – April 27, 2022

"[Positive topline results were announced] from an interim analysis of the Phase III RATIONALE 306 study, which showed anti-PD-1 immune checkpoint inhibitor tislelizumab plus chemotherapy significantly improved overall survival (OS) compared to chemotherapy in patients with previously untreated unresectable, locally advanced, recurrent or metastatic esophageal squamous cell carcinoma (ESCC), regardless of PD-L1 expression. These data will be submitted to regulatory authorities, and will be presented at an upcoming medical meeting.

RATIONALE 306 (NCT03783442) is a multi-regional Phase III, randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blind study of tislelizumab in combination with chemotherapy versus chemotherapy alone in patients with unresectable, locally advanced recurrent or metastatic ESCC. Approximately 649 study participants were randomized 1:1 to receive either tislelizumab plus chemotherapy or chemotherapy alone. The primary endpoint is OS. Secondary endpoints include progression-free survival, objective response rate, duration of response, health-related quality of life measures and safety."



# **RATIONALE-306: Randomized, Global, Phase 3 Study of Tislelizumab plus Chemotherapy versus Chemotherapy as First-Line Treatment for Locally Advanced Unresectable or Metastatic Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma (ESCC)**

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Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSS squamous cell carcinoma of the esophagus with a PD-L1 CPS of 0?

 Dr Enzinger	FOLFOX	 Dr Shah	FOLFOX
 Dr Janjigian	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Strickler	FOLFOX
 Dr Klempner	FOLFOX	 Dr Yoon	FOLFOX

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSS squamous cell carcinoma of the esophagus with a PD-L1 CPS of 1?

 Dr Enzinger	FOLFOX	 Dr Shah	FOLFOX
 Dr Janjigian	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Strickler	FOLFOX
 Dr Klempner	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Yoon	FOLFOX





Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSS squamous cell carcinoma of the esophagus with a PD-L1 CPS of 5?

 <b>Dr Enzinger</b>	<b>FOLFOX + nivolumab</b>	 <b>Dr Shah</b>	<b>FOLFOX</b>
 <b>Dr Janjigian</b>	<b>FOLFOX + nivolumab</b>	 <b>Dr Strickler</b>	<b>FOLFOX + pembrolizumab</b>
 <b>Dr Klempner</b>	<b>FOLFOX + nivolumab</b>	 <b>Dr Yoon</b>	<b>FOLFOX</b>

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSS squamous cell carcinoma of the esophagus with a PD-L1 CPS of 10?

 Dr Enzinger	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Shah	FOLFOX + pembrolizumab
 Dr Janjigian	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Strickler	FOLFOX + pembrolizumab
 Dr Klempner	FOLFOX + nivolumab	 Dr Yoon	FOLFOX + nivolumab

Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, which first-line therapy would you most likely recommend for a 65-year-old patient presenting with metastatic HER2-negative, MSI-high squamous cell carcinoma of the esophagus?

 <b>Dr Enzinger</b>	<b>Pembrolizumab</b>	 <b>Dr Shah</b>	<b>FOLFOX + pembrolizumab</b>
 <b>Dr Janjigian</b>	<b>FOLFOX + nivolumab</b>	 <b>Dr Strickler</b>	<b>FOLFOX + pembrolizumab</b>
 <b>Dr Klempner</b>	<b>Pembrolizumab</b>	 <b>Dr Yoon</b>	<b>FOLFOX + nivolumab</b>

# HER2-Positive Gastroesophageal Cancers

## Recent FDA Approvals in HER2-Positive Gastric, GEJ and Esophageal Cancer

Regimen/FDA approval date/Pivotal trial	Location	Histology	Setting	PD-L1
Pembrolizumab + trastuzumab + chemotherapy 5/5/2021 (KN-811)	Gastric, GEJ	Adenocarcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First-line treatment for locally advanced, unresectable or metastatic HER2-positive gastric or GEJ adenocarcinoma</li> </ul>	Not required
Trastuzumab deruxtecan 1/15/2021 (DESTINY-Gastric01)	Gastric, GEJ	Adenocarcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patients who have received a prior trastuzumab-based regimen</li> </ul>	Not required



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# The KEYNOTE-811 trial of dual PD-1 and HER2 blockade in HER2-positive gastric cancer

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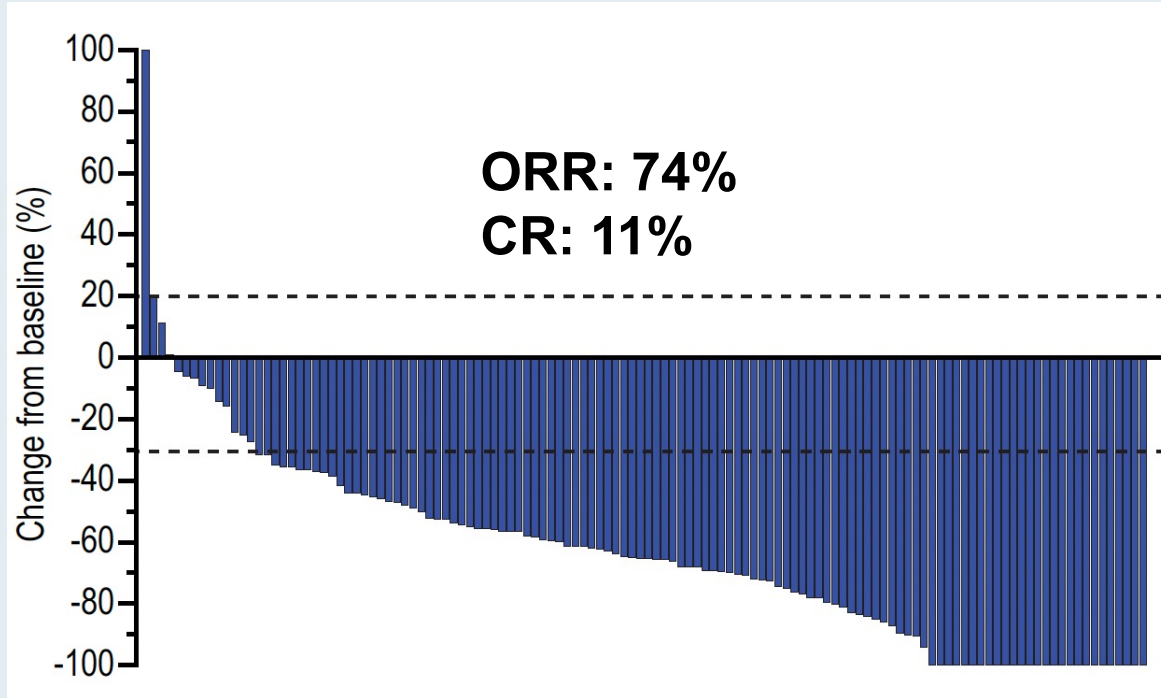
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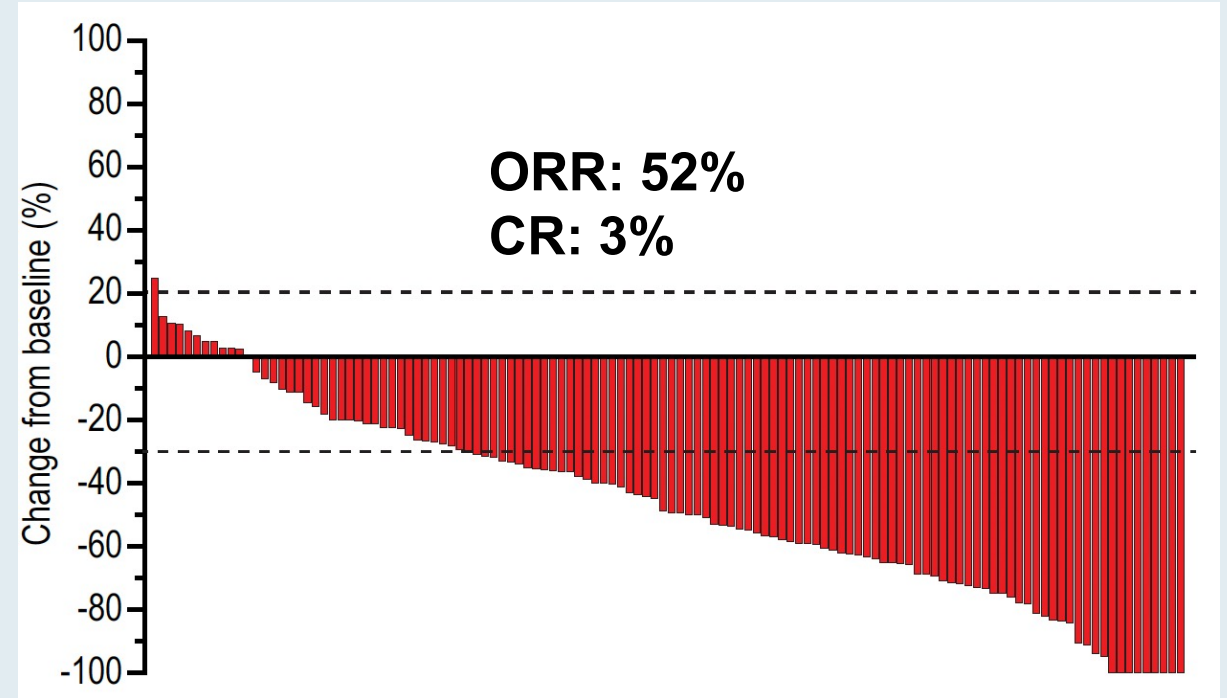
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# KEYNOTE-811: Overall Response Rate (ORR)

## Pembrolizumab



## Placebo



# KEYNOTE-811: Summary of Adverse Events

Number of events (%)	Any cause		Immune-mediated events and infusion reactions <sup>a</sup>	
	Pembrolizumab group (n = 217)	Placebo group (n = 216)	Pembrolizumab group (n = 217)	Placebo group (n = 216)
Any grade	211 (97.2)	212 (98.1)	73 (33.6)	45 (20.8)
Grade 3–5	124 (57.1)	124 (57.4)	21 (9.7)	7 (3.2)
Serious	68 (31.3)	83 (38.4)	19 (8.8)	7 (3.2)
Led to death	7 (3.2)	10 (4.6)	3 (1.4)	1 (0.5)
Led to discontinuation of any drug	53 (24.4)	56 (25.9)	12 (5.5)	5 (2.3)
Pembrolizumab or placebo	12 (5.5)	15 (6.9)	7 (3.2)	2 (0.9)
Trastuzumab	12 (5.5)	16 (7.4)	7 (3.2)	2 (0.9)
Any chemotherapy	50 (23.0)	52 (24.1)	12 (5.5)	5 (2.3)
All drugs	8 (3.7)	12 (5.6)	6 (2.8)	2 (0.9)

The treatment regimen included trastuzumab and chemotherapy in both groups.

<sup>a</sup>Events with a possible immune-mediated cause and infusion reactions were considered regardless of attribution to study treatment or immune relatedness by the investigator and are based on a list of terms provided by the sponsor.

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# Trastuzumab Deruxtecan (T-DXd; DS-8201) in Patients With HER2-Positive Advanced Gastric or Gastroesophageal Junction (GEJ) Adenocarcinoma: Final Overall Survival (OS) Results From a Randomized, Multicenter, Open-Label, Phase 2 Study (DESTINY-Gastric01)

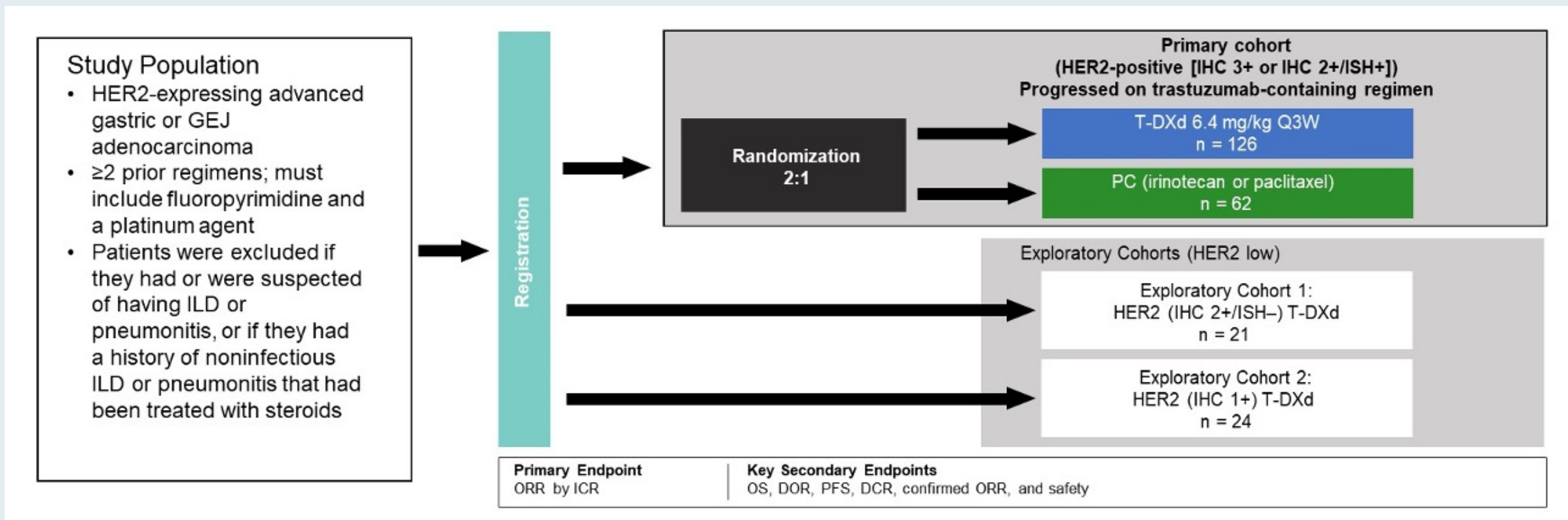
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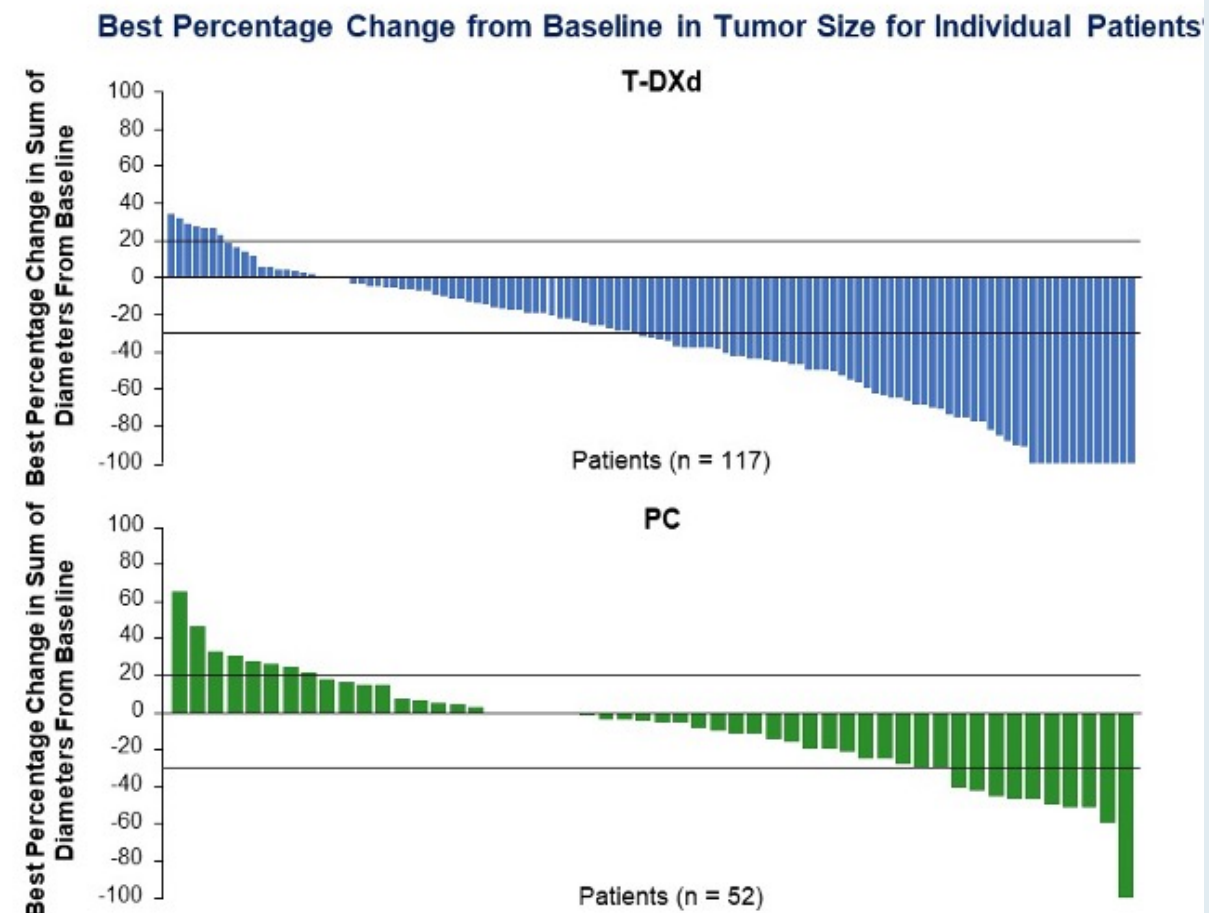
# DESTINY-Gastric01 Randomized, Phase II Study Design



PC = physician's choice

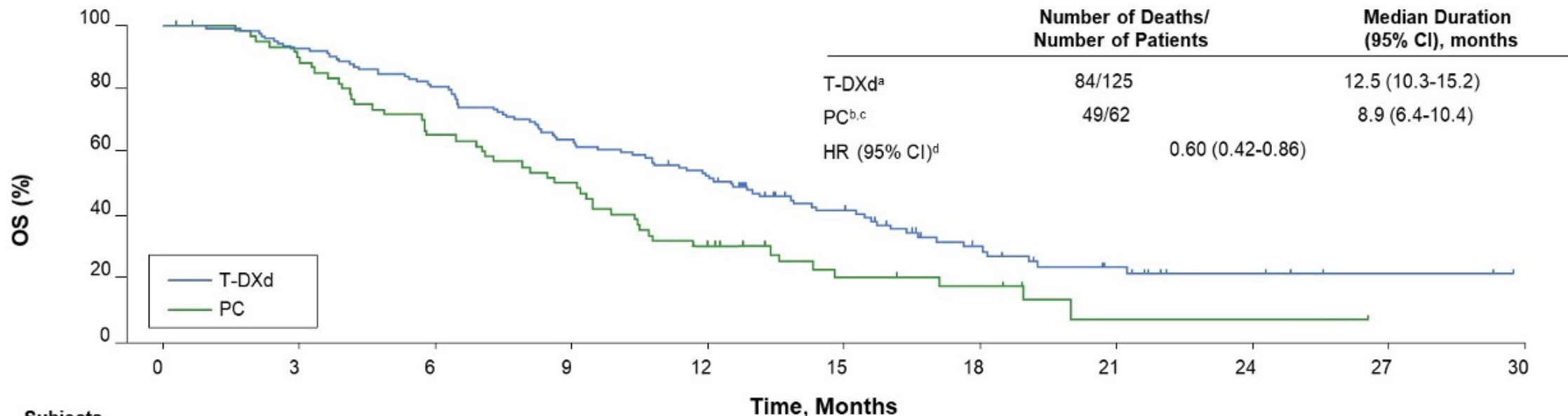
# DESTINY-Gastric01: Antitumor Activity

	T-DXd n = 119	PC Overall n = 56
<b>ORR (CR + PR) by ICR, n (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>61 (51.3)</b>	<b>8 (14.3)</b>
	<b>95% CI, 41.9-60.5</b>	<b>95% CI, 6.4-26.2</b>
	<i>P</i> < 0.0001 <sup>b</sup>	
CR	11 (9.2)	0
PR	50 (42.0)	8 (14.3)
SD	42 (35.3)	27 (48.2)
PD	14 (11.8)	17 (30.4)
Not evaluable	2 (1.7)	4 (7.1)
<b>Confirmed ORR (CR + PR) by ICR, n (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>50 (42.0)</b>	<b>7 (12.5)</b>
	<b>95% CI, 33.0-51.4</b>	<b>95% CI, 5.2-24.1</b>
CR	10 (8.4)	0
PR	40 <sup>c</sup> (33.6)	7 (12.5)
SD	52 (43.7)	28 (50.0)
PD	14 (11.8)	17 (30.4)
Not evaluable	3 (2.5)	4 (7.1)
<b>Confirmed DCR (CR + PR + SD), n (%)<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>102 (85.7)</b>	<b>35 (62.5)</b>
	<b>95% CI, 78.1-91.5</b>	<b>95% CI, 48.5-75.1</b>
<b>Confirmed DOR, median, months</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>3.9</b>
	<b>95% CI, 5.6-NE</b>	<b>95% CI, 3.0-4.9</b>
<b>TTR, median, months</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>
	<b>95% CI, 1.4-1.7</b>	<b>95% CI, 1.3-1.7</b>



# DESTINY-Gastric01: Final Overall Survival (OS)

**Kaplan-Meier Analysis of OS**



Subjects at risk, n	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
T-DXd	125	115	100	79	62	36	19	11	5	2	0
PC	62	54	39	30	17	8	6	1	1	0	0

As in the primary analysis (101 OS events; 54.0% maturity), in this updated analysis (133 OS events; 71.1% maturity), T-DXd showed superior antitumor activity compared to PC

## DESTINY-Gastric01: Select Adverse Events

Adverse event	T-DXd (n = 125)		PC overall (n = 62)	
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3
Neutrophil count decrease	65%	51%	36%	24%
Nausea	63%	6%	47%	2%
Decreased appetite	61%	17%	45%	13%
Anemia	58%	38%	31%	23%
Platelet count decrease	40%	11%	7%	3%
WBC count decrease	38%	21%	36%	11%
Lymphocyte count decrease	23%	12%	3%	2%

16 patients (13%) had T-DXd-related interstitial lung disease/pneumonitis

- 13/16 were Grade 1 or 2
- Median time to first onset: 102.5 days



# DESTINY-Gastric01: Exploratory Biomarker Analysis of OS in HER2-Positive or HER2-Low Advanced Gastric or GEJ Cancer

Exploratory biomarker in primary HER2-positive cohort	Median OS
Plasma HER2 amplification	
Not amplified	12.1 mo
Amplified	13.0 mo
Plasma HER2 copy number*	
Above 6.0	21.2 mo
Below 6.0	12.0 mo
Exploratory biomarker in exploratory HER2-low cohort	
Plasma HER2 extracellular domain†	
Above 11.6 ng/mL	10.1 mo
Below 11.6 ng/mL	4.3 mo

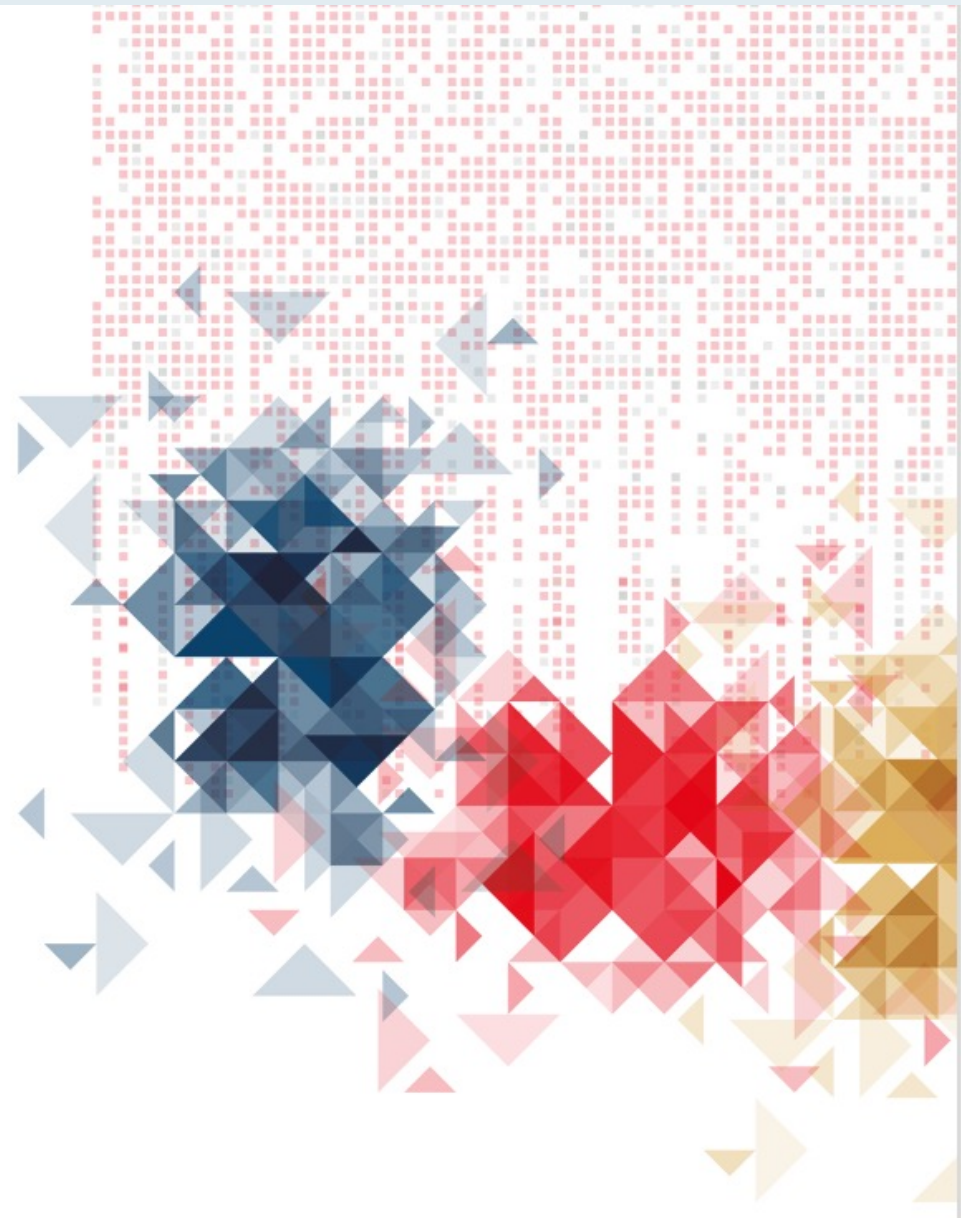
\*An exploratory cutoff (copy number = 6.0) value was determined, which minimized *p*-value, estimated by log-rank test. Below 6.0 includes patients without amplification; † An exploratory cutoff value of 11.6 ng/mL in exploratory cohorts was determined, which minimized *p*-value, estimated by log-rank test.

## Primary Analysis of a Phase 2 Single-Arm Trial of Trastuzumab Deruxtecan (T-DXd) in Western Patients With HER2-Positive (HER2+) Unresectable or Metastatic Gastric or Gastroesophageal Junction (GEJ) Cancer Who Progressed on or After a Trastuzumab-containing Regimen

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# DESTINY-Gastric02 Phase II Study Design

## Key eligibility criteria

- Pathologically documented, unresectable or metastatic gastric or GEJ cancer
- Centrally confirmed HER2 positive disease (defined as IHC 3+ or IHC 2+/ISH+) on biopsy after progression on first-line trastuzumab-containing regimen
- ECOG PS 0 or 1

T-DXd  
6.4 mg/kg Q3W  
N = 79<sup>a</sup>

## Primary endpoint

- Confirmed ORR by ICR

## Secondary endpoints<sup>b</sup>

- PFS by ICR
- OS
- DOR by ICR
- Safety and tolerability

- DESTINY-Gastric02 is the first study focused only on second-line T-DXd monotherapy in Western patients with HER2+ gastric/GEJ cancer who have progressed on a trastuzumab-containing regimen
  - It is the follow-on study to DESTINY-Gastric01, which evaluated T-DXd third-line or later in Asian patients<sup>1</sup>
- Patients were enrolled in Europe (Belgium, Great Britain, Italy, Spain) and the United States (data cutoff: April 9, 2021)



# Efficacy Endpoints

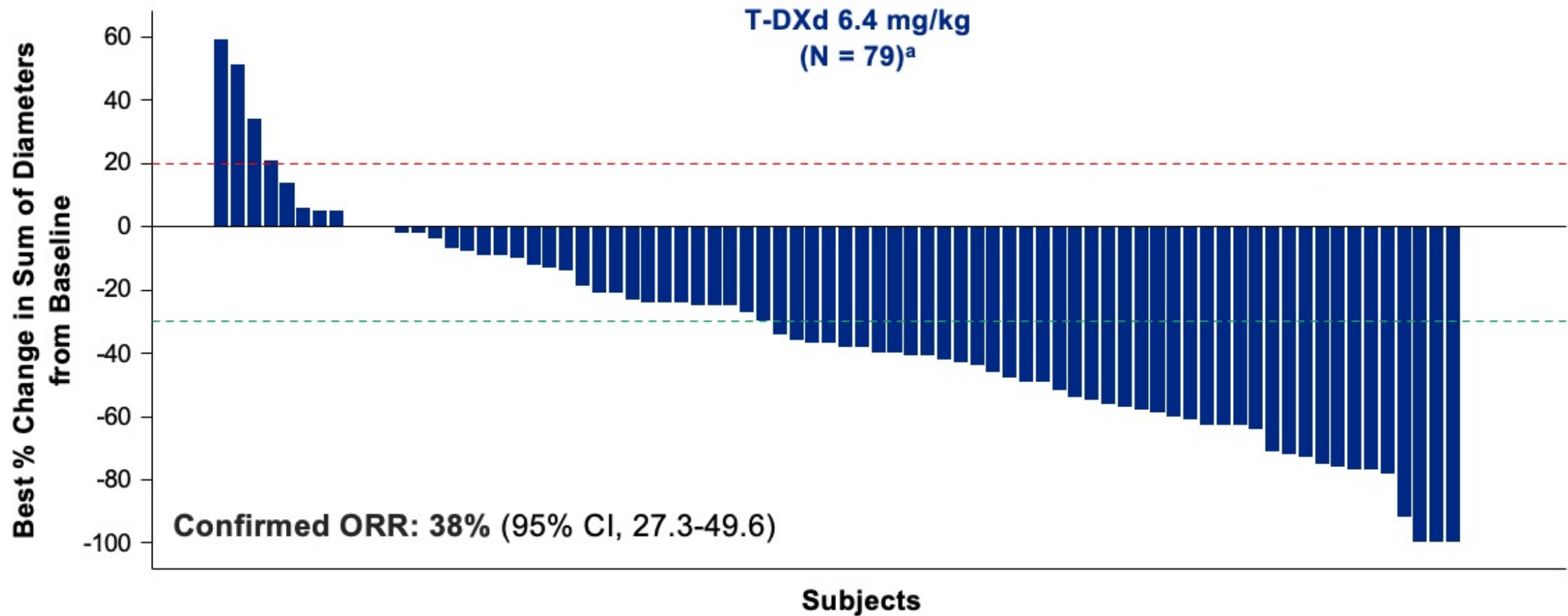
	Patients (N = 79)
<b>Confirmed ORR<sup>a</sup>, n (%)</b>	<b>30 (38)</b> (95% CI, 27.3-49.6)
<b>Confirmed best overall response, n (%)</b>	
CR	<b>3 (3.8)</b>
PR	<b>27 (34.2)</b>
SD	<b>34 (43.0)</b>
PD	<b>13 (16.5)</b>
Not evaluable	<b>2 (2.5)</b>
<b>Median DOR,<sup>b</sup> months</b>	8.1 (95% CI, 4.1-NE)
<b>Confirmed DCR<sup>c</sup>, n (%)</b>	64 (81.0) (95% CI, 70.6-89.0)
<b>Median TTR, months</b>	1.4 (95% CI, 1.4-2.6)
<b>Median PFS,<sup>d</sup> months</b>	5.5 (95% CI, 4.2-7.3)
<b>Median follow up, months</b>	5.7 (range, 0.7-15.2)

Cutoff date: April 9, 2021.

<sup>a</sup>Primary endpoint. <sup>b</sup>Secondary endpoint analysis based on responders (n=30); 21 patients were censored (reasons: initiating new anticancer therapy, adequate tumor assessment no longer available, and ongoing without occurrence of progressive disease or death). <sup>c</sup>Exploratory endpoint. <sup>d</sup>Secondary endpoint analysis in the full analysis set based on 42 events (36 PD, 6 deaths).

BOR, best overall response; CR, complete response; DCR, disease control rate; mo, months; NE, not evaluable; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease; TTR, time to response.

# DESTINY-Gastric02: Best Percent Change in Tumor Size from Baseline



# DESTINY-Gastric02: Safety Summary

n (%)	Patients (N = 79)
<b>Any drug-related TEAE</b>	74 (93.7)
<b>Drug-related TEAE Grade <math>\geq 3</math></b>	21 (26.6)
<b>Serious drug-related TEAE</b>	8 (10.1)
<b>Drug-related TEAE associated with discontinuation</b>	7 (8.9)
<b>Drug-related TEAE associated with dose reduction</b>	15 (19.0)
<b>Drug-related TEAE associated with an outcome of death</b>	1 (1.3)

- Median treatment duration was 4.3 months (range, 0.7-15.9 months)
- The most common drug-related TEAEs associated with treatment discontinuation were investigator-reported pneumonitis (3.8%) and ILD (2.5%)
- The most common drug-related TEAEs associated with dose reduction were nausea (7.6%) and decreased neutrophil count (5.1%)

## DESTINY-Gastric02: Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs)

n (%)	Patients (N = 79)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
<b>Patients with ≥1 drug-related TEAEs</b>	74 (93.7)	21 (26.6)
<b>Drug-related TEAEs with ≥15% incidence in all patients</b>		
Nausea	46 (58.2)	3 (3.8)
Fatigue	29 (36.7)	3 (3.8)
Vomiting	26 (32.9)	1 (1.3)
Diarrhea	22 (27.8)	1 (1.3)
Decreased appetite	18 (22.8)	1 (1.3)
Alopecia	17 (21.5)	0
Anemia	15 (19.0)	6 (7.6)
Decreased platelet count	13 (16.5)	1 (1.3)
Decreased neutrophil count	12 (15.2)	6 (7.6)

## DESTINY-Gastric02: Adjudicated Drug-Related Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD)/Pneumonitis

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Any Grade
n (%)	2 (2.5)	3 (3.8)	0	0	1 (1.3)	6 (7.6)

- Median time to onset of adjudicated drug-related ILD/pneumonitis was 80.5 days (range, 53-85 days), with a median duration of 38.0 days (range, 15-142 days)
- 83% of adjudicated drug-related ILD/pneumonitis cases were low grade (Grade 1-2)





## Conclusions

- DESTINY-Gastric02 is the first study focused only on 2L T-DXd monotherapy in Western HER2+ patients with gastric/GEJ cancer who progressed on a trastuzumab-containing regimen
- Efficacy results demonstrate clinically meaningful and durable responses
- Safety profile was generally consistent with the established safety profile of T-DXd
- DESTINY-Gastric02 provides clinical evidence for T-DXd as a valuable 2L HER2-targeted treatment option and supports the ongoing randomized phase 3 trial, DESTINY-Gastric04 (NCT04704934)

# Novel Targeted Agents

# FDA Grants Bemarituzumab Breakthrough Therapy Designation as First-Line Treatment for Gastric and Gastroesophageal Cancers that Overexpress FGFR2b

Press Release – April 19, 2021

“The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) granted Breakthrough Therapy Designation for investigational bemarituzumab as first-line treatment for patients with fibroblast growth factor receptor 2b (FGFR2b) overexpressing and human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 (HER2)-negative metastatic and locally advanced gastric and gastroesophageal (GEJ) adenocarcinoma in combination with modified FOLFOX6 (fluoropyrimidine, leucovorin, and oxaliplatin), based on an FDA-approved companion diagnostic assay showing at least 10% of tumor cells overexpressing FGFR2b.”

This designation is supported by results from the Phase 2 FIGHT trial.

# FIGHT: A RANDOMIZED, DOUBLE-BLIND, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED, PHASE 2 STUDY OF BEMARITUZUMAB (BEMA) COMBINED WITH MODIFIED FOLFOX6 IN 1L FGFR2B+ ADVANCED GASTRIC/GASTROESOPHAGEAL JUNCTION ADENOCARCINOMA (GC) (NCT03694522)

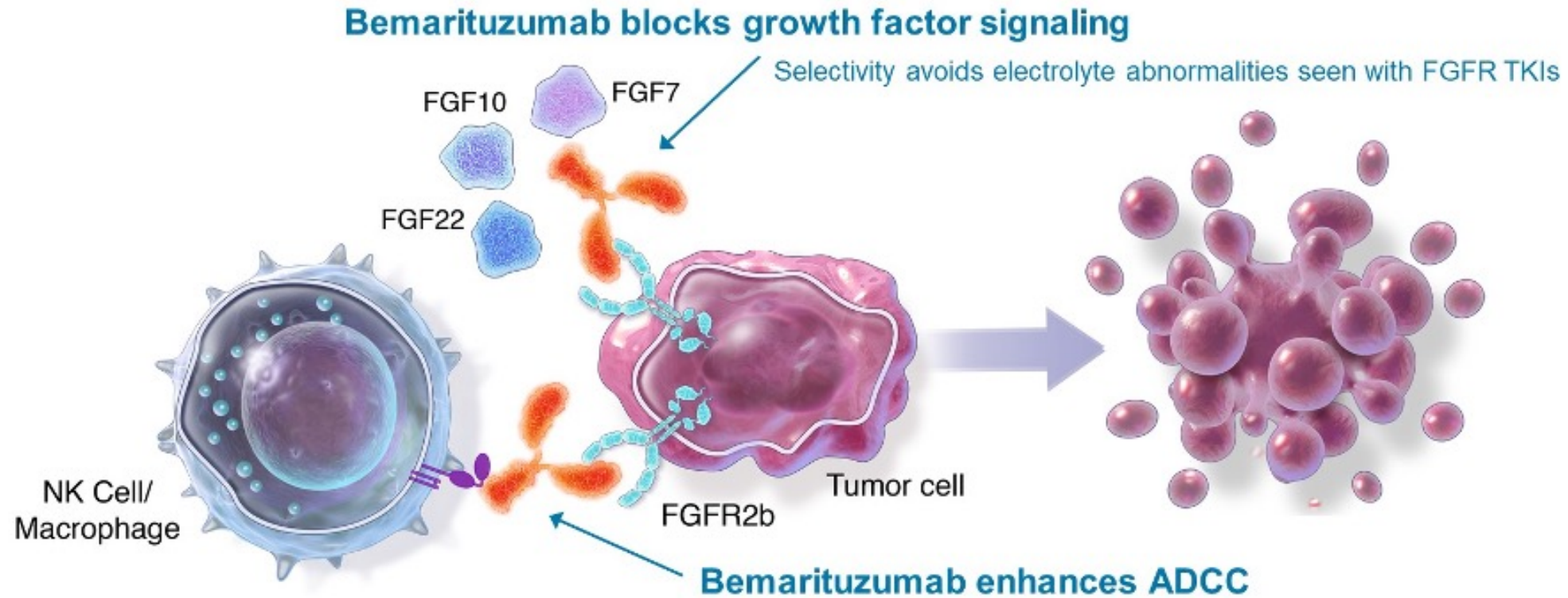
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# Bemarituzumab Mechanism of Action



**18% overall response rate in late-line FGFR2b+ gastroesophageal cancer<sup>1</sup>**

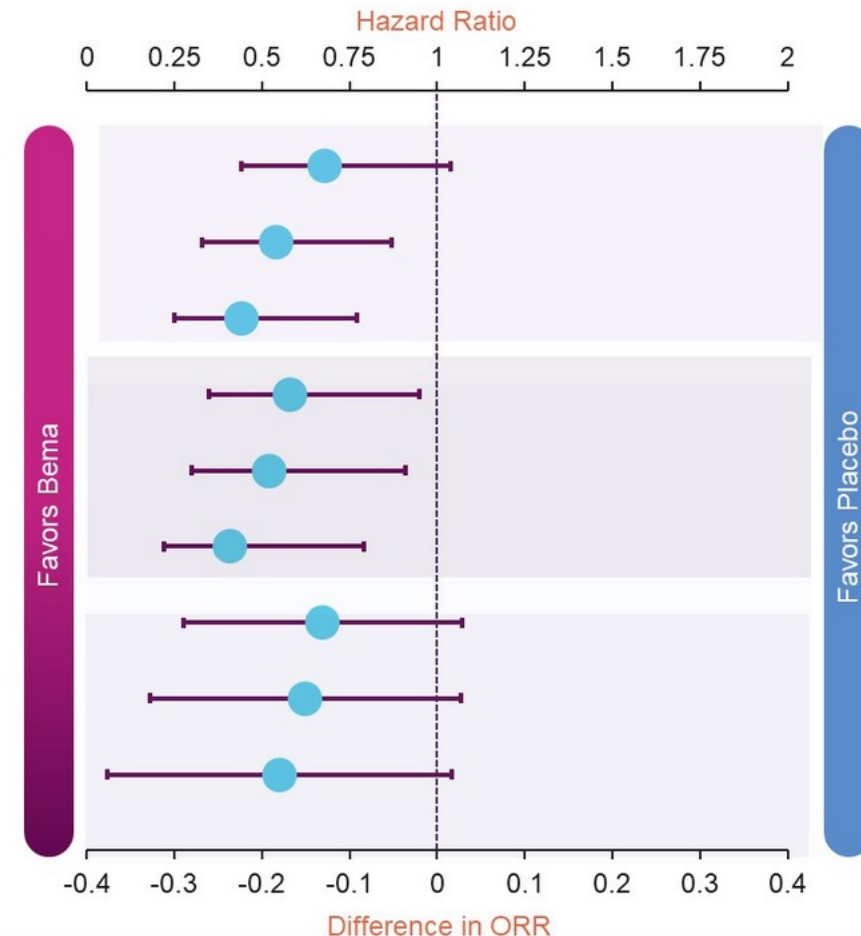
ADCC, antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity; FGF, fibroblast growth factor; IgG1, Immunoglobulin G1; NK, natural killer; TKIs, tyrosine kinase inhibitors.

1. Catenacci D, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2020.

# FIGHT: Efficacy of First-Line Bemarituzumab with Modified FOLFOX6 for Gastric/GEJ Adenocarcinoma

Endpoint	Subgroup	Median PFS/OS (months) Response rate	HR (95% CI) Difference in ORR (95% CI)
PFS	Overall*	Bema: 9.5 Placebo: 7.4	0.68 (0.44, 1.04)
	IHC 2+ or 3+ ≥5%†	Bema: 10.2 Placebo: 7.3	0.54 (0.33, 0.87)
	IHC 2+ or 3+ ≥10%‡	Bema: 14.1 Placebo: 7.3	0.44 (0.25, 0.77)
OS	Overall	Bema: NR Placebo: 12.9	0.58 (0.35, 0.95)
	IHC 2+ or 3+ ≥5%	Bema: NR Placebo: 12.5	0.52 (0.30, 0.91)
	IHC 2+ or 3+ ≥10%	Bema: NR Placebo: 11.1	0.41 (0.22, 0.79)
ORR	Overall	Bema: 36 (46.8%) Placebo: 26 (33.3%)	-13.1%§ (-29.0%, 2.8%)
	IHC 2+ or 3+ ≥5%	Bema: 30 (51.7%) Placebo: 22 (36.7%)	-15.1%§ (-32.8%, 2.7%)
	IHC 2+ or 3+ ≥10%	Bema: 24 (54.5%) Placebo: 19 (36.5%)	-18.0%§ (-37.7%, 1.7%)

\*N = 155; †N = 118; ‡N = 96; §difference in ORR is calculated by (placebo ORR – Bema ORR).  
NR, not reached.



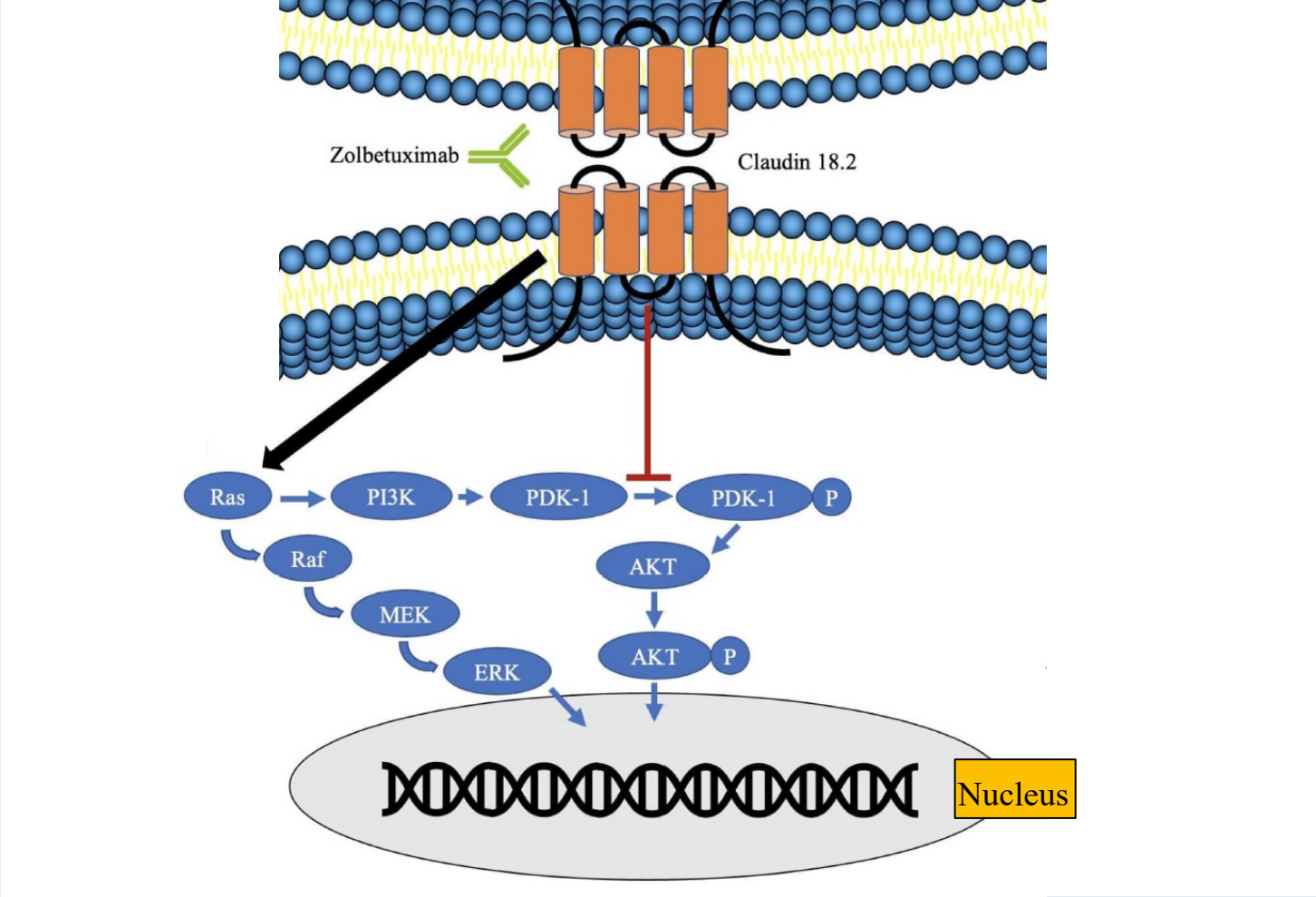
- Median OS was reached in the overall population with longer follow-up – 5.7-mo improvement

# FIGIT: Selected Treatment-Related Adverse Event Summary

Selected AE (Preferred term)	Any Grade		Grade ≥3	
	Bema (N = 76)	Placebo (N = 77)	Bema (N = 76)	Placebo (N = 77)
<b>Total Events</b>	<b>76 (100.0%)</b>	<b>76 (98.7%)</b>	<b>63 (82.9%)</b>	<b>57 (74.0%)</b>
Nausea	36 (47.4%)	41 (53.2%)	0	3 (3.9%)
Vomiting	22 (28.9%)	24 (31.2%)	2 (2.6%)	2 (2.6%)
Diarrhea	31 (40.8%)	24 (31.2%)	2 (2.6%)	1 (1.3%)
Stomatitis	24 (31.6%)	10 (13.0%)	7 (9.2%)	1 (1.3%)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	15 (19.7%)	15 (19.5%)	4 (5.3%)	3 (3.9%)
Neutrophil count decreased	31 (40.8%)	33 (42.9%)	23 (30.3%)	27 (35.1%)
Platelet count decreased	14 (18.4%)	21 (27.3%)	1 (1.3%)	0
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	23 (30.3%)	15 (19.5%)	4 (5.3%)	2 (2.6%)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	22 (28.9%)	11 (14.3%)	2 (2.6%)	1 (1.3%)
Dry eye	20 (26.3%)	5 (6.5%)	2 (2.6%)	0

AE, adverse event.

# Zolbetuximab Mechanism of Action



Adapted from Siddiqui A, Almhanna K. *Cancers* 2021;13(17):4322.



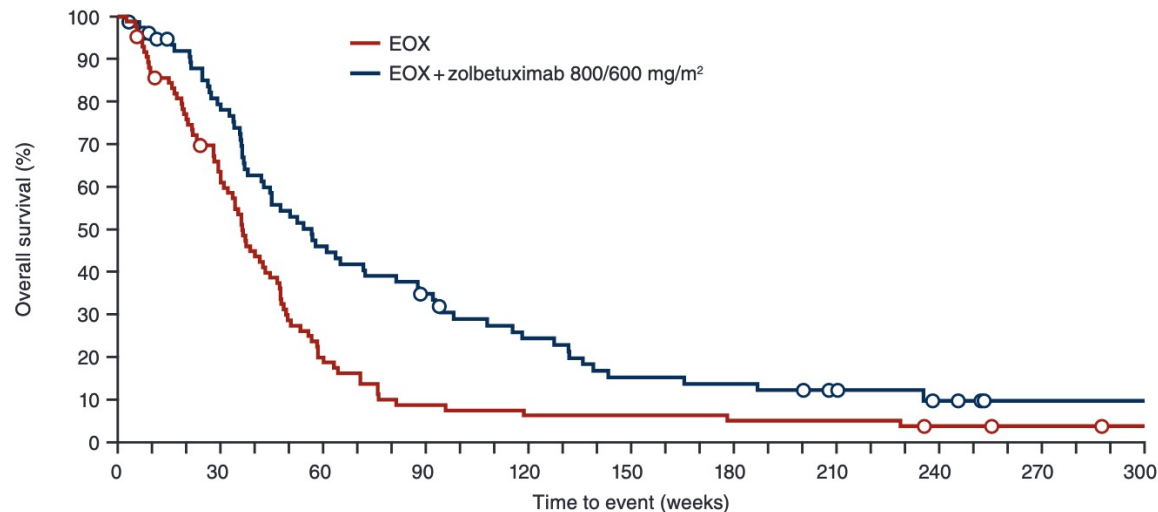
**ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

**FAST: a randomised phase II study of zolbetuximab (IMAB362) plus EOX versus EOX alone for first-line treatment of advanced CLDN18.2-positive gastric and gastro-oesophageal adenocarcinoma**

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# FAST: Overall Survival with Zolbetuximab in Combination with Chemotherapy for Advanced CLDN18.2-Positive Gastric and Gastroesophageal Adenocarcinoma

## Overall population



### Median OS

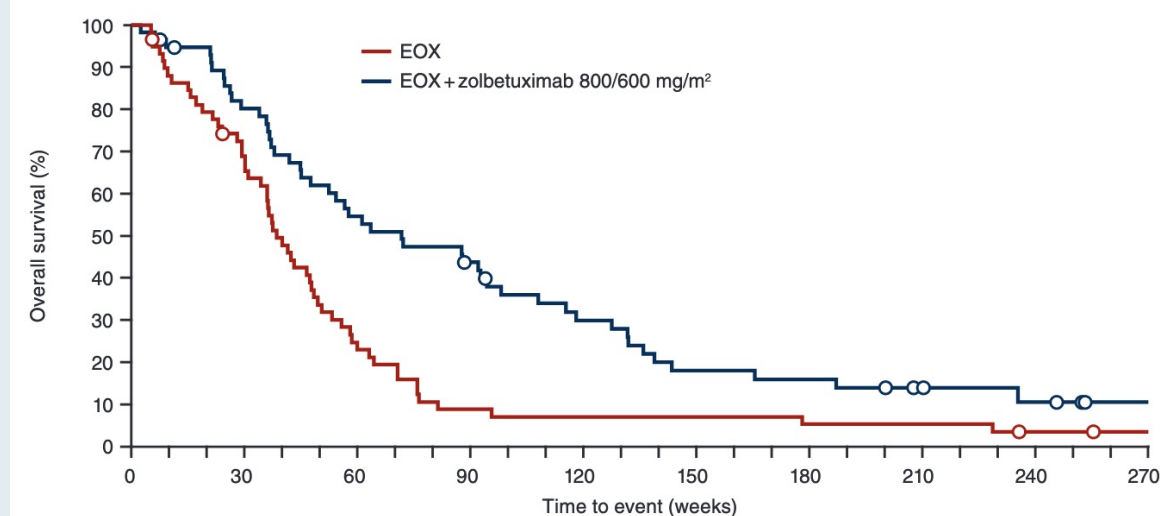
EOX (n = 84): 8.3 months

EOX + zolbetuximab (n = 77): 13.0 months

HR (*p*-value): 0.55 (<0.0005)

EOX = epirubicin/oxaliplatin/capecitabine

## Patients with ≥70% CLDN18.2-positive tumor cells



### Median OS

EOX (n = 59): 8.9 months

EOX + zolbetuximab (n = 57): 16.5 months

HR (*p*-value): 0.50 (<0.0005)

## FAST: Select Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events

Adverse event	EOX (n = 84)		EOX + zolbetuximab (n = 77)	
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3
Nausea	76.2%	4.8%	81.8%	6.5%
Vomiting	54.8%	3.6%	67.5%	10.4%
Anemia	35.7%	7.1%	45.5%	11.7%
Neutropenia	34.5%	21.4%	44.2%	32.5%
Weight loss	31.0%	3.6%	32.5%	11.7%
Fatigue	20.2%	3.6%	31.2%	6.5%
Leukopenia	16.7%	6.0%	15.6%	7.8%

# Ongoing Phase III Trials of Zolbetuximab in Combination with Chemotherapy as First-Line Therapy for Gastric or GEJ Adenocarcinoma

Trial identifier	N	Setting	Study arms
GLOW (NCT03653507)	507	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Locally advanced unresectable or metastatic</li> <li>CLDN18.2-positive</li> <li>HER2-negative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zolbetuximab + CAPOX</li> <li>Placebo + CAPOX</li> </ul>
SPOTLIGHT (NCT03504397)	550	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Locally advanced unresectable or metastatic</li> <li>CLDN18.2-positive</li> <li>HER2-negative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zolbetuximab + mFOLFOX6</li> <li>Placebo + mFOLFOX6</li> </ul>

# ILUSTRO: Phase II Study of Zolbetuximab Alone or in Combination with Chemotherapy, Immunotherapy or Both for Metastatic or Locally Advanced Unresectable Gastric or GEJ Adenocarcinoma

Trial Identifier: NCT03505320 (Open)

**Histologically confirmed gastric or GEJ adenocarcinoma**  
Locally advanced, unresectable or metastatic disease  
Positivity for CLDN18.2 expression

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**Cohort 1A**  
Zolbetuximab

**Cohort 2**  
Zolbetuximab + mFOLFOX6

**Cohort 3A**  
Zolbetuximab + pembrolizumab

**Cohort 4A/4B**  
Zolbetuximab + mFOLFOX6  
+/- nivolumab

**Primary endpoint:** Objective response rate with zolbetuximab monotherapy

**Secondary endpoints** include PFS, pharmacokinetics, safety and tolerability

# Management of Acute Myeloid Leukemia and Myelodysplastic Syndromes – A Review of the 2022 ASCO Annual Meeting and EHA Congress

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