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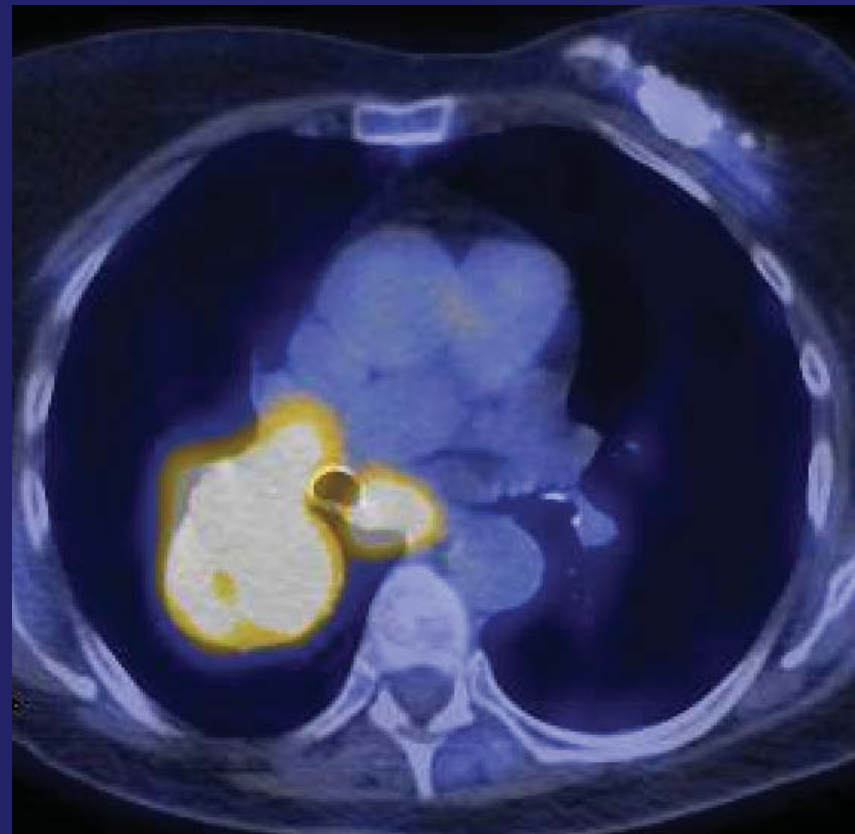
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Immunotherapy: Case

- 72-year-old woman with 50 pack-year smoking history presents with cough and fatigue. Zubrod PS 1.
- Diagnosed with stage IV NSCLC-adenocarcinoma. RUL hilar mass with metastases to bone and lymph nodes.
- MRI of brain negative.
- *EGFR*-mut by PCR, *ALK* FISH, *ROS1* FISH testing is negative.
- PD-L1 testing by IHC 22C3 antibody. 80% PD-L1 expression is noted.



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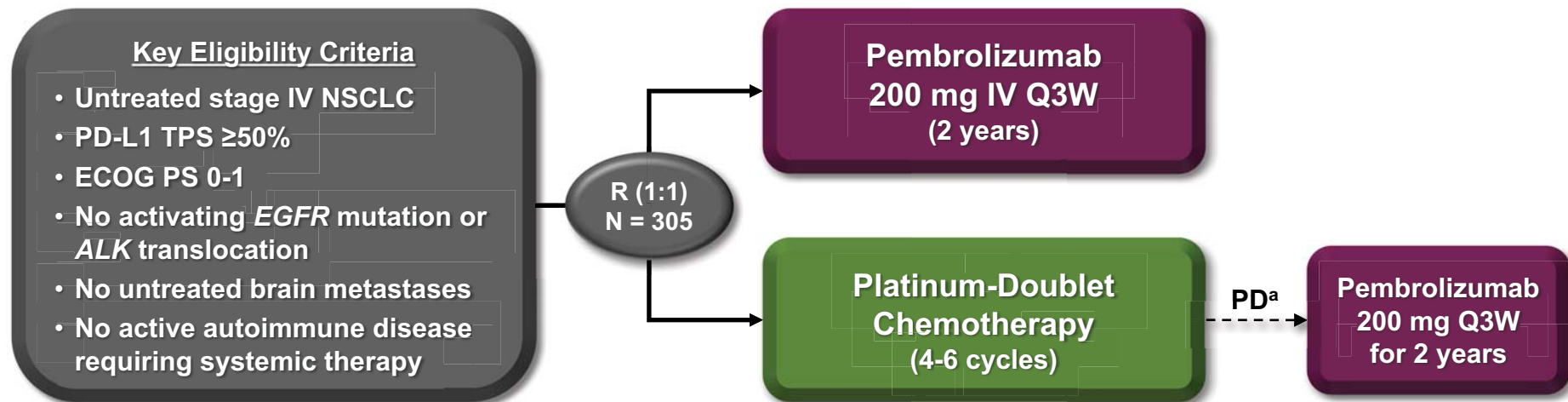
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KEYNOTE-024 Study Design (NCT02142738)



Key End Points

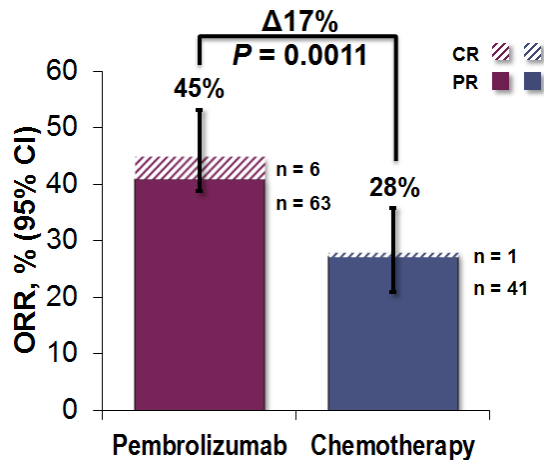
Primary: PFS (RECIST v1.1 per blinded, independent central review)

Secondary: OS, ORR, safety

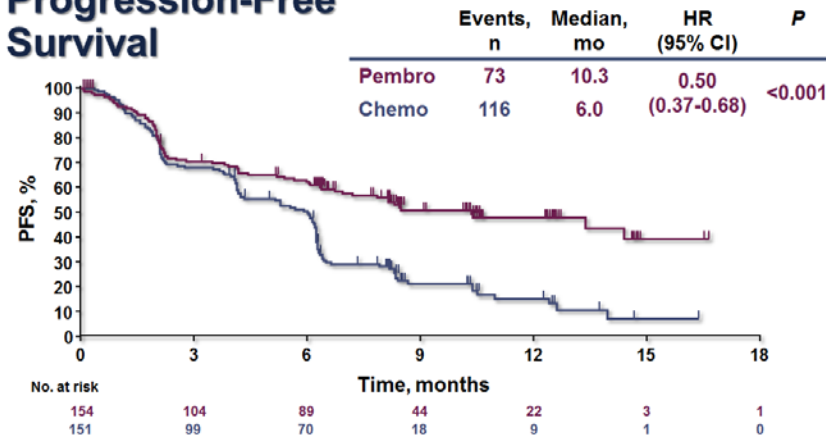
Exploratory: DOR

^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.

Efficacy data



Progression-Free Survival

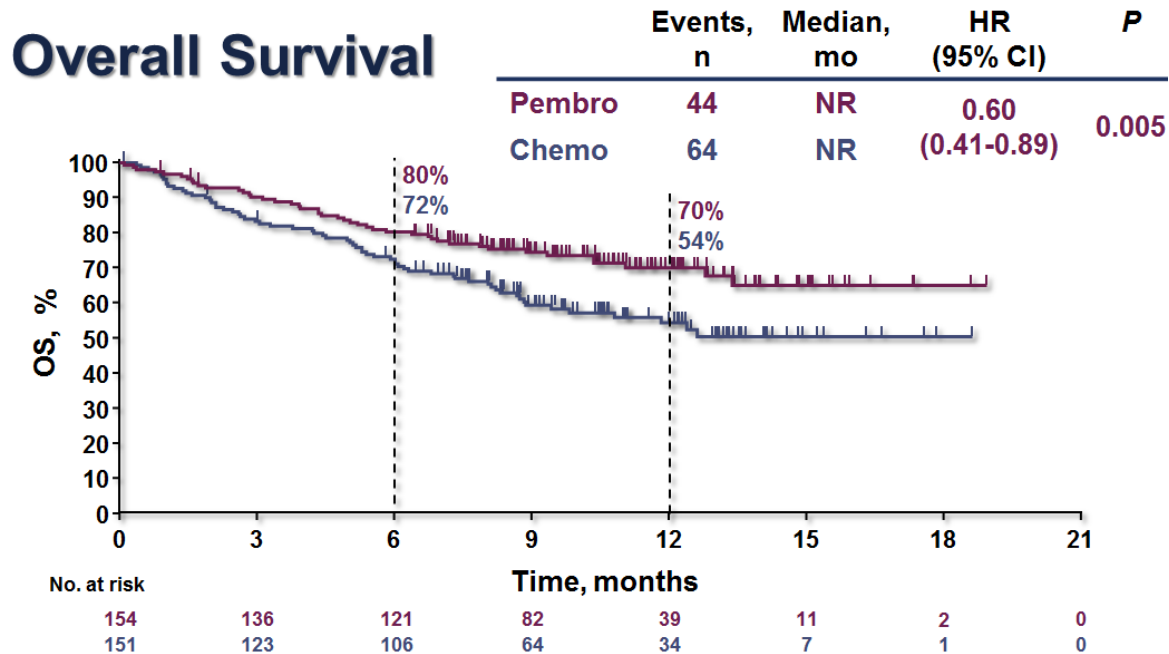


imaging was every 9 weeks

❖ Clear and strong signal of activity

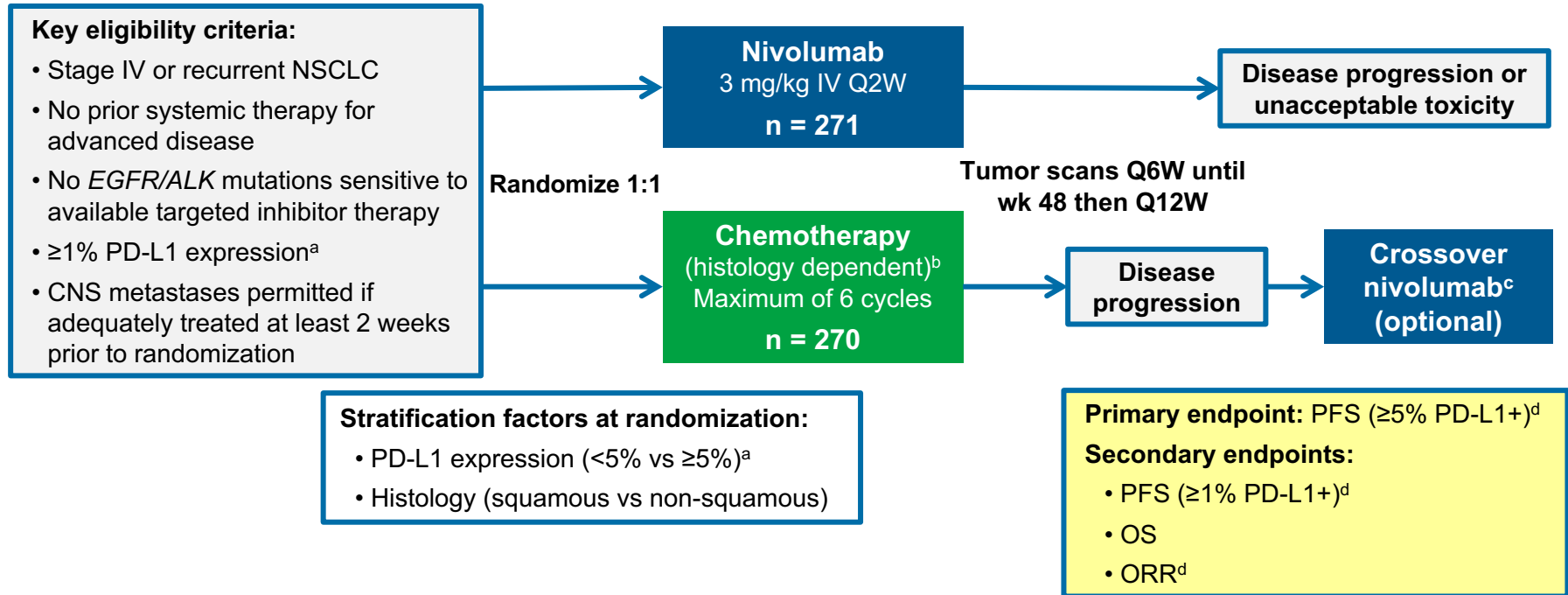
- ORR is improved, with a control arm that performs as expected (from other phase III trials)
- 45% ORR is the best RR ever reported in 1st line setting (and with a monotherapy !)
- Time to Response is identical between Pembro & Ct
- PFS is improved by 4.3 months (HR of 0.50)
- Improvement of PFS in all subgroups (except female/never smokers => lower mutational load ?)
- Strongest signal of PFS benefit observed in SCC (HR of 0.35)

Survival data



- Clear survival benefit
 - Estimated rate of OS @ 12 months: 70% (Pembro) vs 54% (CT)
 - HR for death: **0.60**
 - but cross-over **was limited to 50% of the patients**

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



^aPD-L1 IHC 28-8 validated; archival tumor samples obtained ≤ 6 months before enrollment were permitted; PD-L1 testing was centralized

^bSquamous: gemcitabine 1250 mg/m² + cisplatin 75 mg/m²; gemcitabine 1000 mg/m² + carboplatin AUC 5; paclitaxel 200 mg/m² + carboplatin AUC 6;

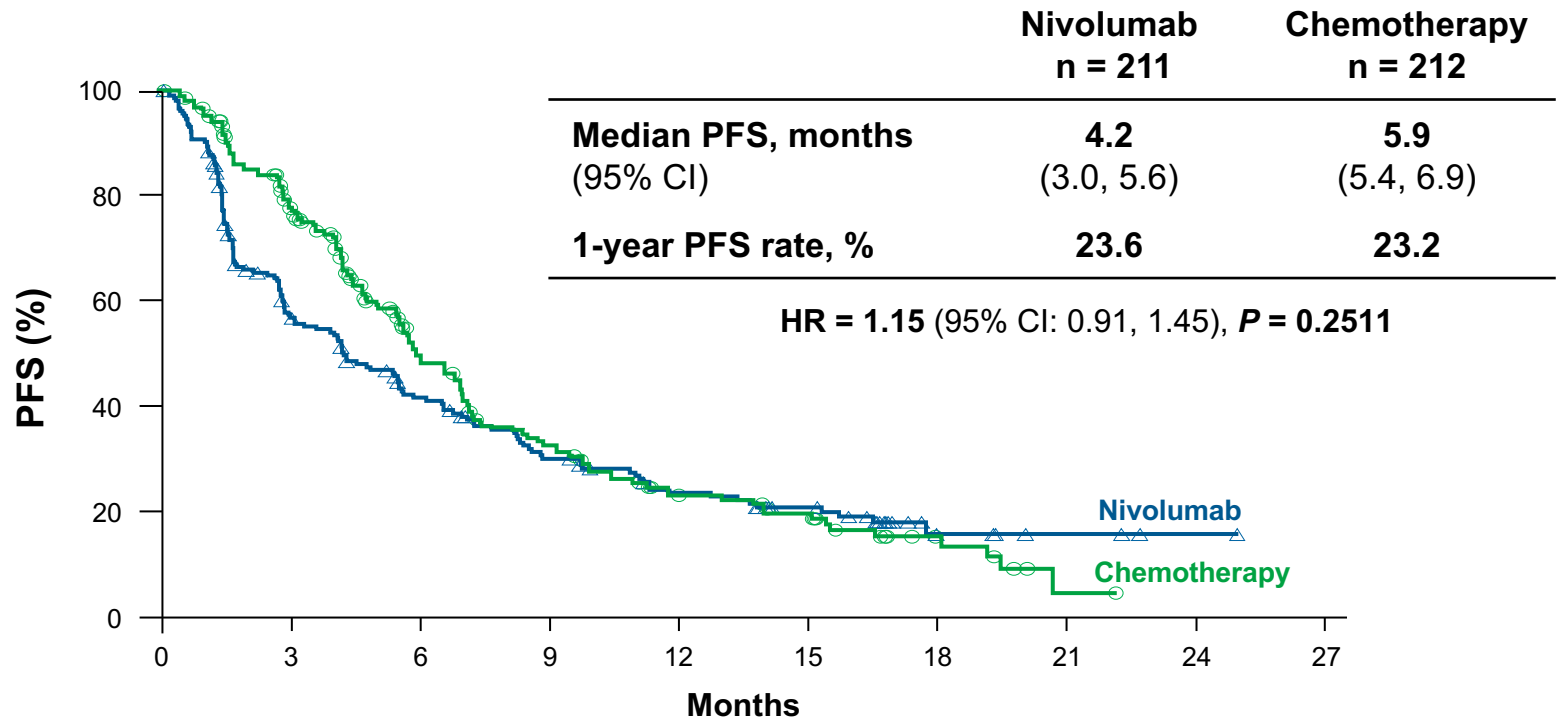
Non-squamous: pemetrexed 500 mg/m² + cisplatin 75 mg/m²; pemetrexed 500 mg/m² + carboplatin AUC 6; option for pemetrexed maintenance therapy

^cPermitted if crossover eligibility criteria met, including progression confirmed by independent radiology review

^dTumor response assessment for PFS and ORR per RECIST v1.1 as determined by independent central review

Primary Endpoint (PFS per IRRC in $\geq 5\%$ PD-L1+)

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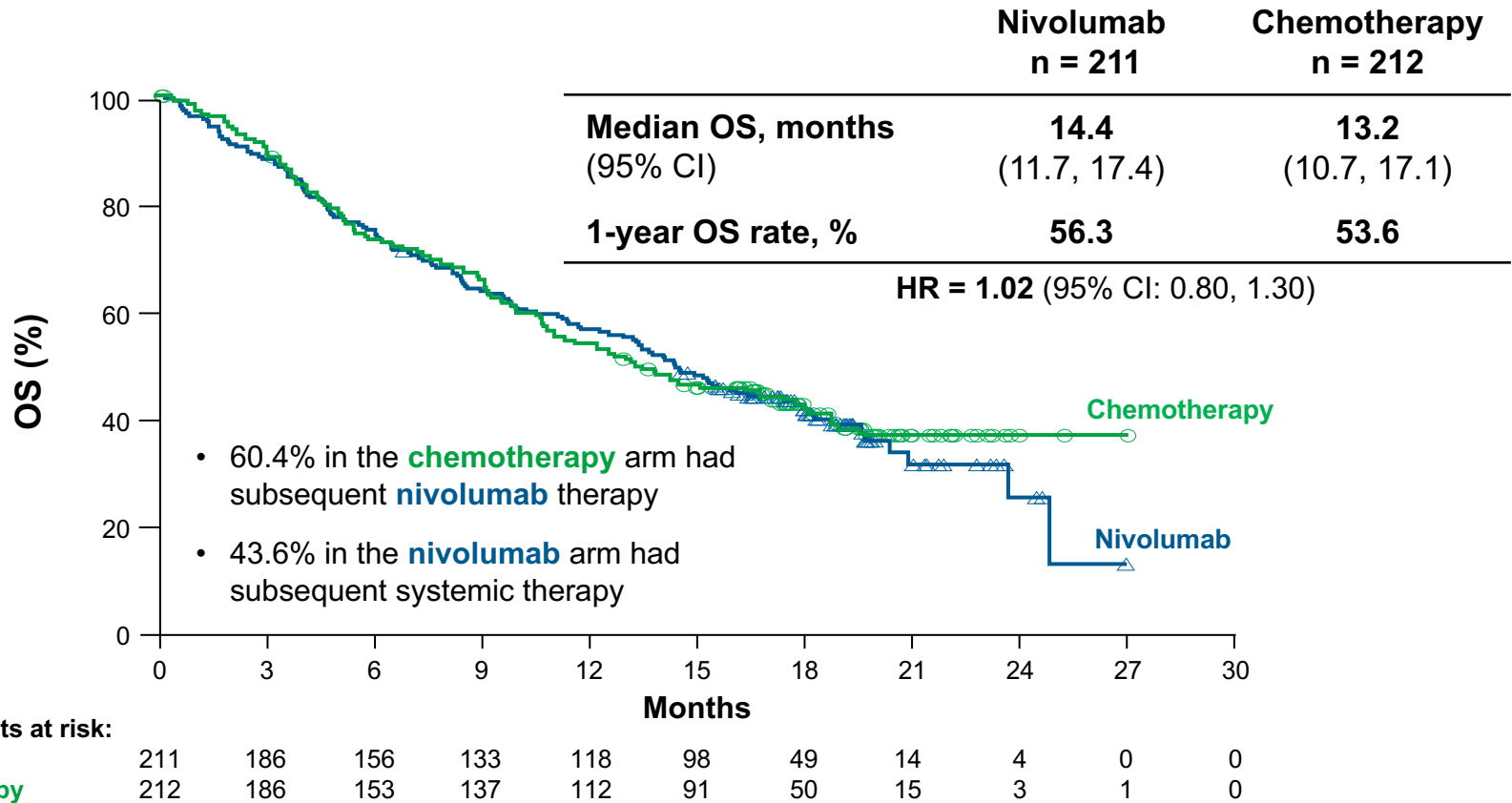
No. of patients at risk:

Nivolumab	211	104	71	49	35	24	6	3	1	0
Chemotherapy	212	144	74	47	28	21	8	1	0	0

All randomized patients ($\geq 1\%$ PD-L1+): HR = 1.17 (95% CI: 0.95, 1.43)

OS ($\geq 5\%$ PD-L1+)

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All randomized patients ($\geq 1\%$ PD-L1+): HR = 1.07 (95% CI: 0.86, 1.33)

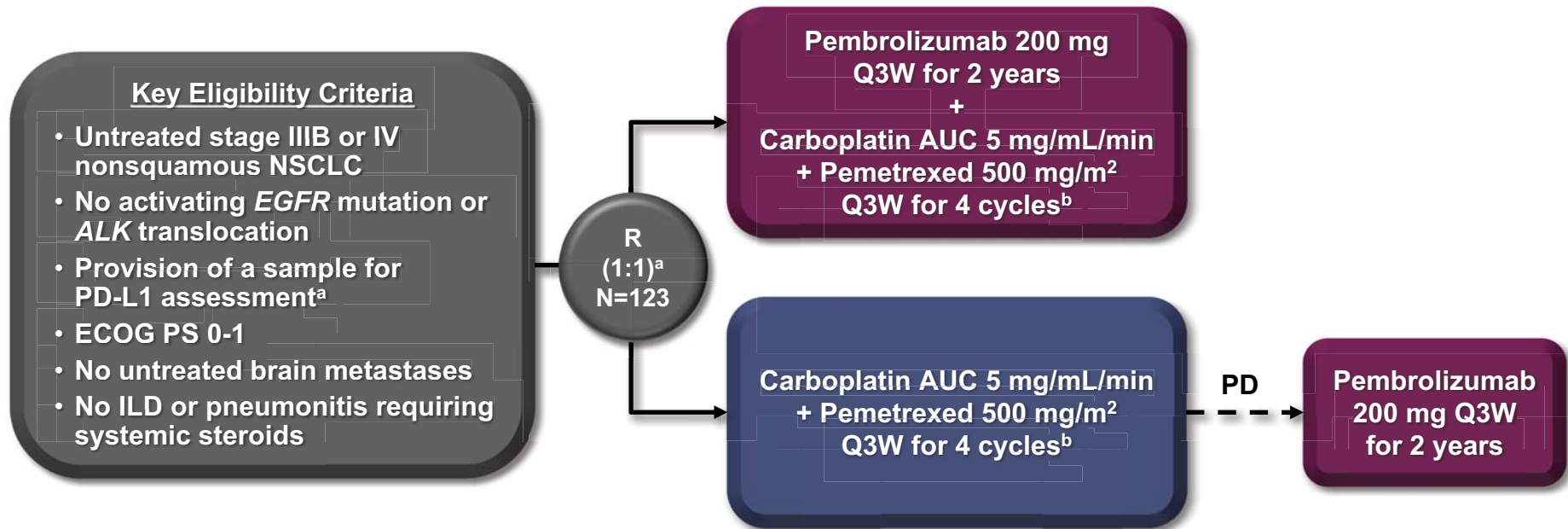
CheckMate 026 (CM 026) vs. KEYNOTE-024 (KN 024)

	KN 024	CM 026
Tumor biopsy	After metastatic diagnosis	Within 6 months
PD-L1 cut off	50% (22C3 clone)	5% (28-8 clone)
Prevalence	30%	50%
Imaging interval	Q 9 weeks	Q 6 weeks for first 48 weeks
Primary endpoint	PFS (RECIST)	PFS (IRRC)
Never smokers (PD-1)	3%	11%
Squamous histology	19%	24%
Time from diagnosis to treatment	?	2 months
Prior radiation	? ¹	37.6 %

¹ Prior radiation therapy of > 30 Gy disallowed within 6 months of first dose of trial treatment

Socinski et al, ESMO 2016
Reck et al, ESMO 2016, NEJM 2016

KEYNOTE-021 Cohort G



End Points

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

Key secondary: PFS

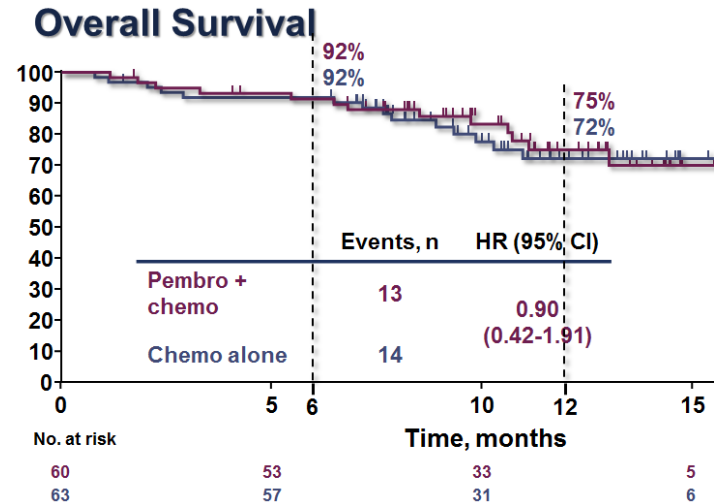
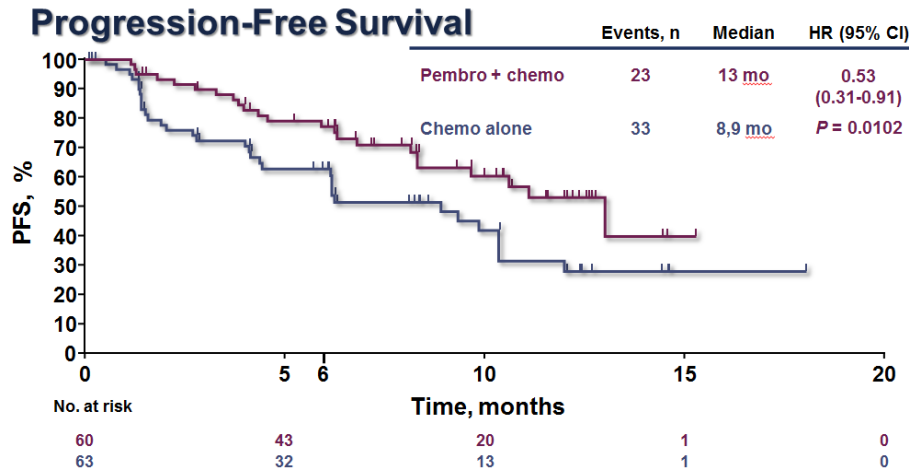
Other secondary: OS, safety, relationship between antitumor activity and PD-L1 TPS

PD=progressive disease.

^aRandomization was stratified by PD-L1 TPS <1% vs ≥1%.

^bIndefinite maintenance therapy with pemetrexed 500 mg/m² Q3W permitted.

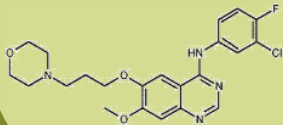
Survival data



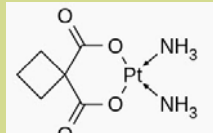
- Clear PFS benefit and no OS advantage
 - Median PFS improved by 4.1 months
 - PFS HR is 0.53
 - No difference for OS
 - Estimated rate of OS @ 12 months: 75% (Combo) vs 72% (CT)
 - In CT arm cross-over is 51% to PD-(L)1 therapies (pembro & others)

T-Cell Immune Checkpoints as Targets for Immunotherapy

Targeted Therapy

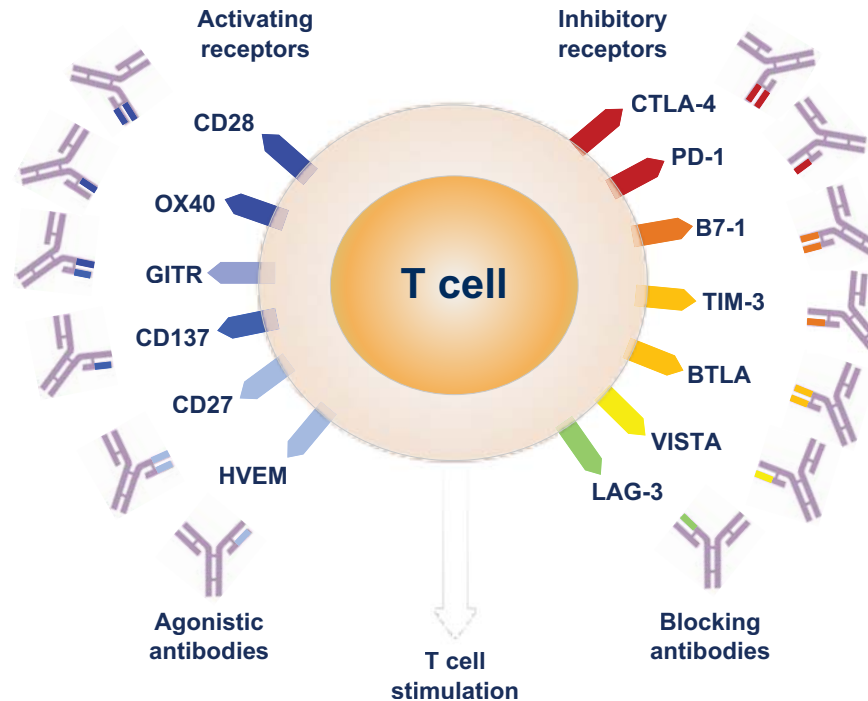


Chemotherapy



Cell Therapies

Vaccines



Adapted from Mellman I et al. *Nature*. 2011;480:481–489.

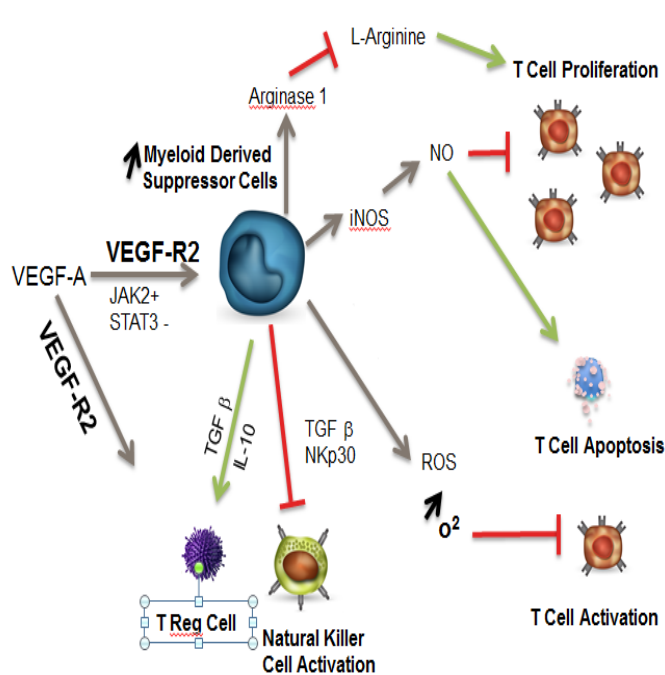
Anti-PD/PD-L1 as Backbone to Combination Tx?

Nivolumab	Pembrolizumab	Atezolizumab	Durvalumab
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemotherapy - Radiation/ Ablation - EGFR/ ALK TKI - Anti-VEGF/ VEGFR inhibitor - Vasc Disrupt Agent - Hypomethylating Agent - HDAC inhibitor - SPK Inhibitor - C-Met inhibitor - Glutaminase inhibitor - Dasatinib - Vaccine - Gene therapy - IL15 agonist - PEG IL10 - TGFβR1 inhibitor - Anti-CD27 - Ant-CXCR4 - Anti-CSF-1R - IDO-1 inhibitor - Anti-CTLA4 - Anti-LAG - Anti-TIM-3 - Anti-KIR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemotherapy - Radiation - EGFR/ ALK TKI - Anti-VEGF/VEGFR inhibitor - Hypomethylating Agent - HDAC inhibitor - CDK Inhibitor - BTK inhibitor - PI3K Inhibitor - KIT/CSF1R/FLT3 Inh - FGFR inhibitor - JAK1 Inhibitor - CRM1 Inhibitor - FAK Inhibitor - Anti-EGFR - Anti-CEACAM1 - PEG hyaluronidase - Vaccine - Oncolytic - PEG IL10 - Anti-CSF-1 - IDO1 Inhibitor - Anti-CTLA4 - Anti-B7-H3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemotherapy - Radiation - EGFR/ ALK TKI - Anti-VEGF/Ang-2 - MEK Inhibitor - Vaccine - Adoptive Cell Therapy - Anti-CEA/CD3 - Anti-CEA/ IL-2 - Anti-OX40 - Anti-CD40 - Anti-CD27 - Anti-CSF-1 - Adenosine A2A Inhibitor - IDO-1 Inhibitor - Anti-CTLA4 - Anti-TIGIT <p>Avelumab: ALK inhibitor (crizotinib and lorlatinib), Anti-41BB, Anti-OX40</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemotherapy - Radiation - EGFR/ALK TKI - VEGFR Inhibitor - BTK Inhibitor - MEK Inhibitor - HAD Inhibitor - PARP Inhibitor - WEE1 Inhibitor - ATR Inhibitor - Anti-OX40 - CXCR4 Inhibitor - CSF - Anti-CD73 - Anti-CCR4 - Anti-CSF1R - Anti-NKG2A - Adenosine A2a Inhibitor - IDO1 Inhibitor - Anti-CTLA4 - Anti-PD-1

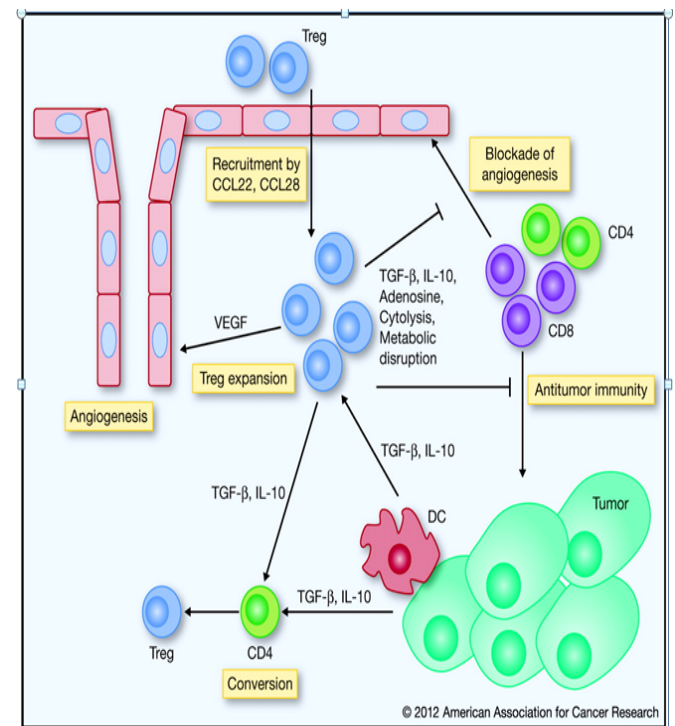
Ramucirumab: Immune Supportive Agent

--- Immunological Pathways (MDSC and Treg): VEGF-A/VEGF-R2 pathway Induces Immunosuppression (2 of 2)

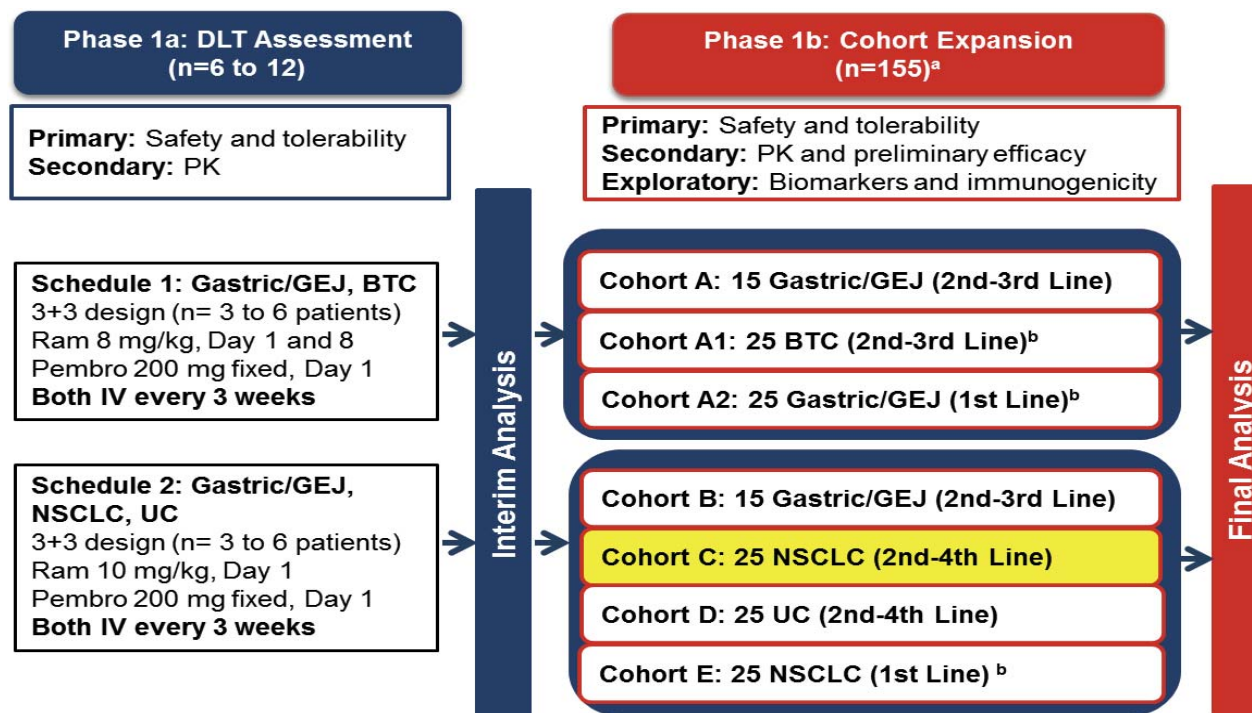
VEGF-A through binding to VEGF-R2 induces immunosuppression:



Treg: limit antitumor immunity and promote angiogenesis

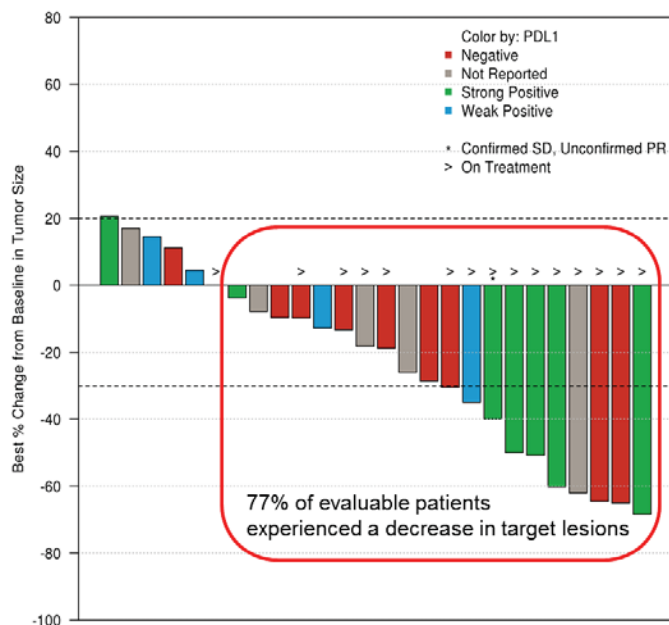


STUDY JVDF (NCT02443324) PHASE 1A/B STUDY DESIGN

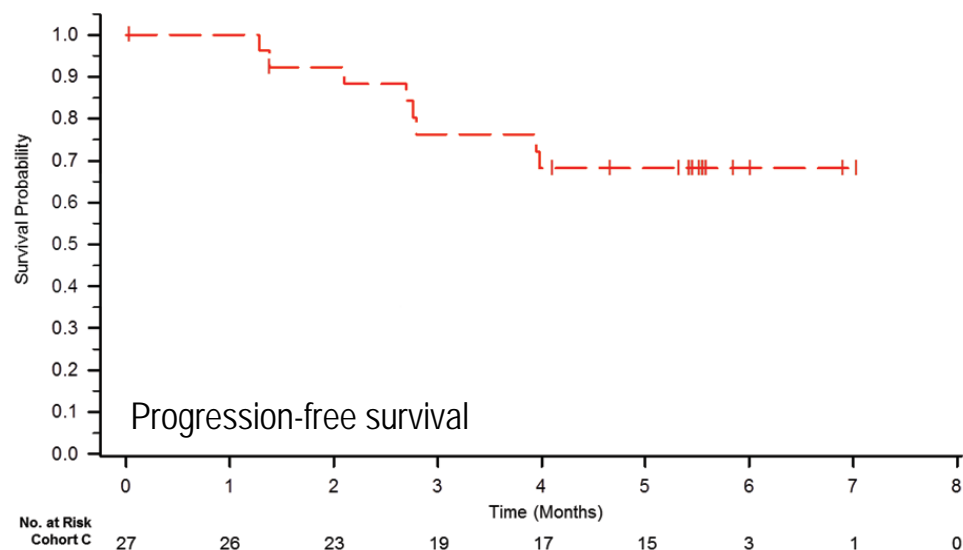


^aPatients may continue treatment for up to 35 cycles, until confirmed progressive disease or discontinuation for any other reason. ^bProtocol was recently amended to add cohorts A1, A2 and E; cohorts are currently enrolling. DLT dose-limiting toxicity; PK pharmacokinetics; Ram ramucirumab; Pembro pembrolizumab

COHORT C: INTERIM CLINICAL ACTIVITY



Cohort C NSCLC (n=27)	
ITT Population	
Objective response rate, n (%)	8 (30%)
Disease control rate, n (%)	23 (85%)



PD-L1 Status	Patients	Events	Median PFS, Mo (95% CI)
All Patients	27	8	NR (3.98, --)
Negative	10	2	NR
Weak positive	4	2	3.98 (2.76, --)
Strong positive	7	2	NR
Not reported	6	2	NR

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