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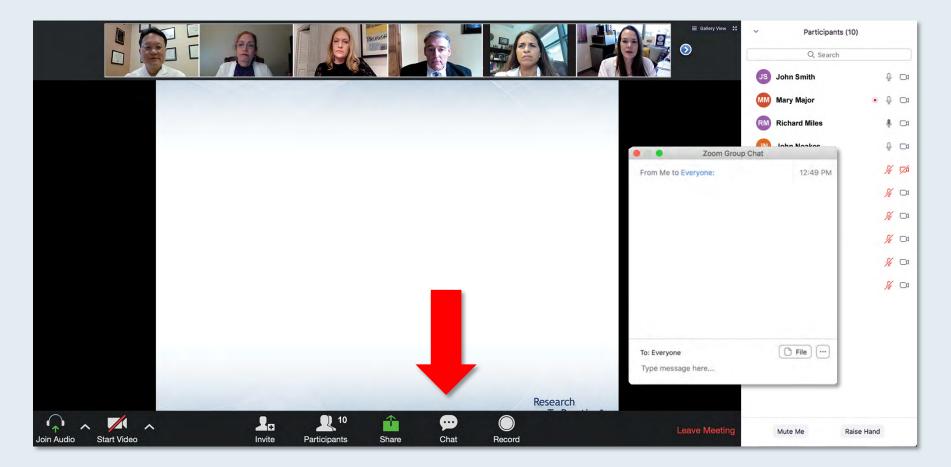


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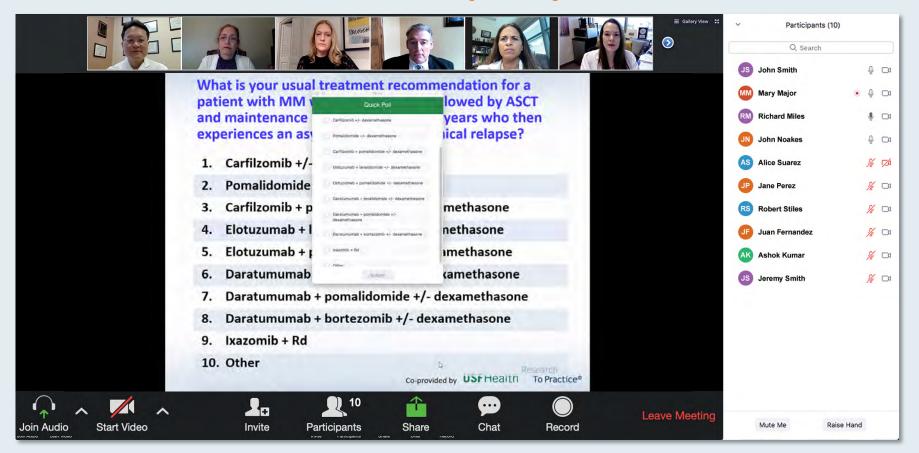
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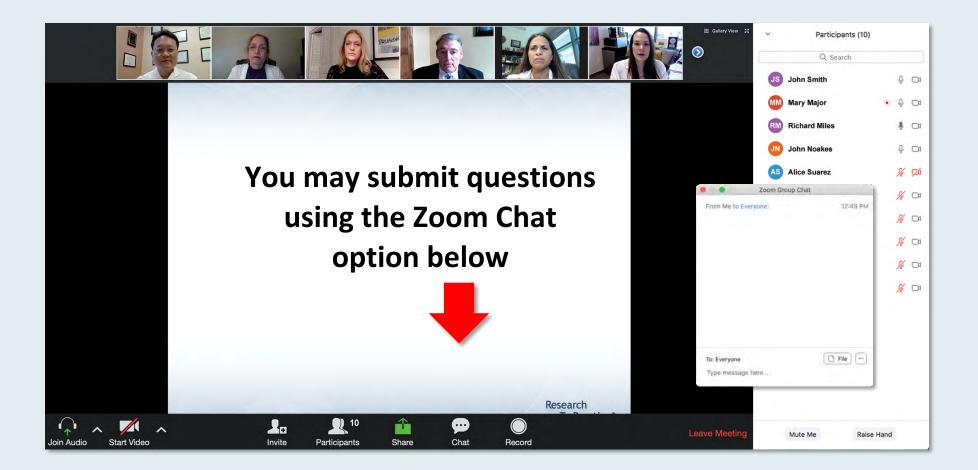


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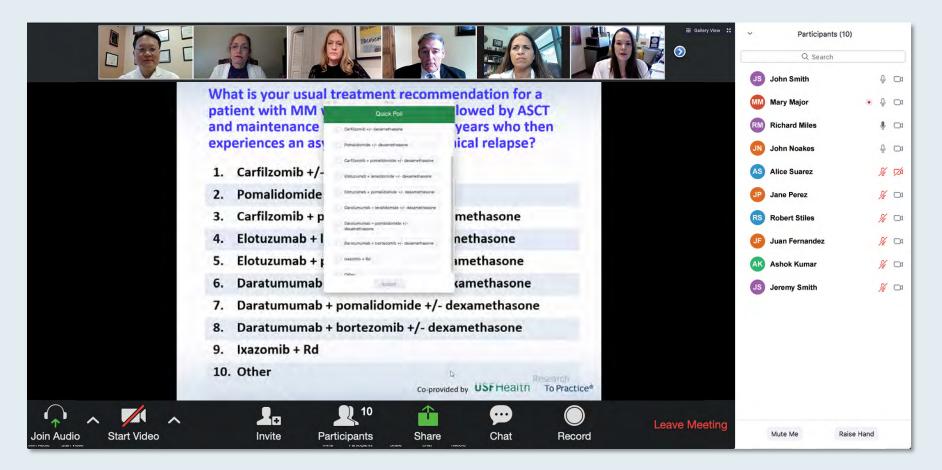
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Module 1: Front-Line Management Options for Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) – Dr Kaseb

Module 2: Selection and Sequencing of Treatment for Patients with Relapsed HCC – Dr Greten

Module 3: Considerations for the Treatment of HCC in Special Patient Populations – Dr Harding

Module 4: New Directions in the Management of HCC – Dr Finn



# Case Presentation – Dr Brenner: An 84-year-old man with advanced Child-Pugh A5 HCC



Warren Brenner, MD

- 10/2019: Diagnosed with Child-Pugh A5 HCC, with cirrhotic liver most likely due to steatohepatitis
  - PMH: Hypertension treated with medication
- 11/2019: Radiofrequency ablation
- 9/2020: Recurrent disease treated with cryoablation
- 12/2020: Progressive disease
- Atezolizumab/bevacizumab
  - Currently receiving 4 medications to control hypertension (Systolic ~150 mm Hg)



# Case Presentation – Dr Brenner: An 84-year-old man with advanced Child-Pugh A5 HCC (cont)



Warren Brenner, MD

### Questions

- Is atezolizumab/bevacizumab now considered the standard up-front therapy for patients with advanced HCC who have maintained liver functioning? Is there any concern for giving bevacizumab in patients who have baseline low platelets (ie, 50-70)?
- Is there still a role for doing any genetic testing of HCC?
- Is there any data regarding PD-L1 staining and response to immunotherapy?



## Systemic Therapy for Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma: ASCO Guideline

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## **First-Line Therapy**

### **Recommendation 1.1**

**Atezolizumab-bevacizumab** may be offered as first-line treatment for most patients with advanced HCC, Child-Pugh class A, ECOG PS 0-1 and following management of esophageal varices, when present, according to institutional guidelines.

### **Recommendation 1.2**

<u>Where there are contraindications to atezolizumab and/or</u> <u>bevacizumab</u>, tyrosine kinase inhibitors **sorafenib or lenvatinib** may be offered as first-line treatment for patients with advanced HCC, Child-Pugh class A, and ECOG PS 0-1.

**ASCO**<sup>°</sup> Guidelines

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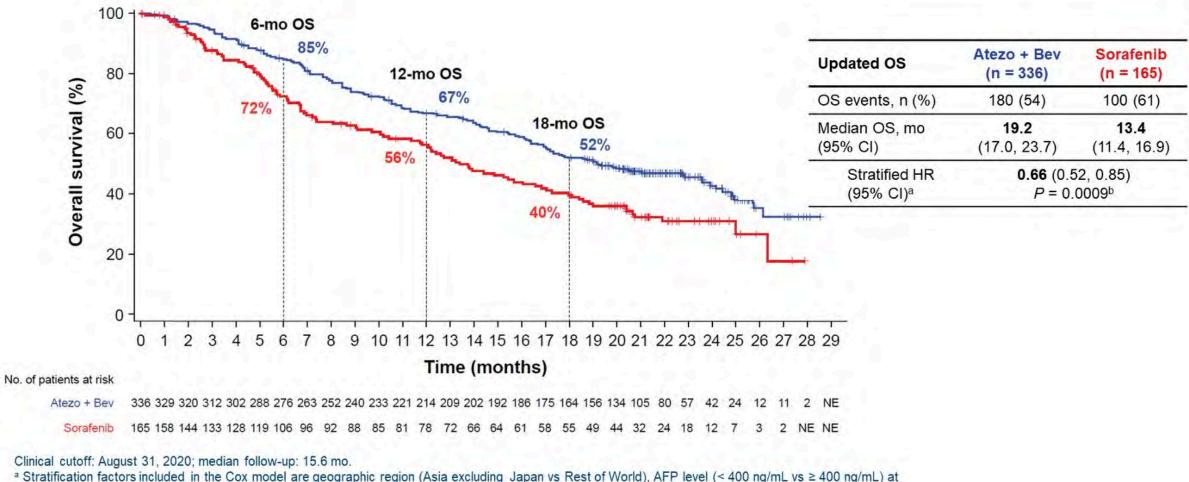
IMbrave150: Updated Overall Survival (OS) Data from a Global, Randomized, Open-Label Phase III Study of Atezolizumab (atezo) + Bevacizumab (bev) versus Sorafenib (sor) in Patients (pts) with Unresectable Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)

Finn RS et al.

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 267.



## **IMbrave150: Updated Overall Survival**



baseline and MVI and/or EHS (Yes vs No) per interactive voice/web response system (IxRS).<sup>b</sup> P value for descriptive purposes only.

Finn RS et al. Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 267.



#### **Clinical Trial Protocol**

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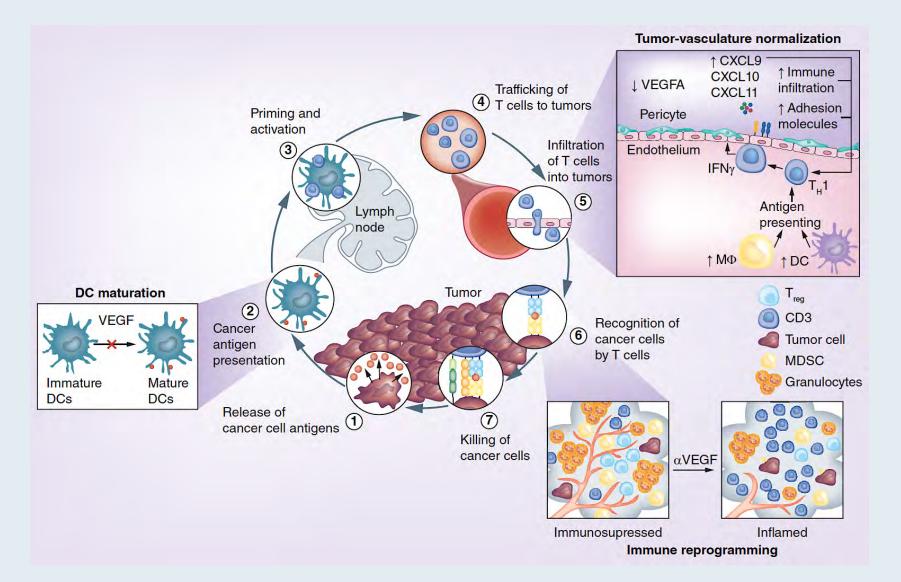
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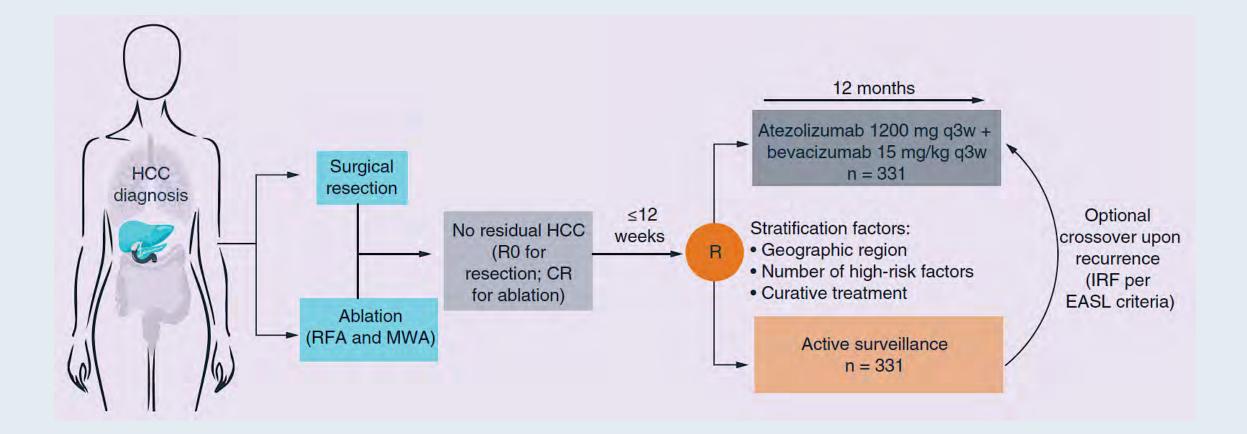
## **Interaction Between VEGF and the Cancer Immunity Cycle**





Hack SP et al. Future Oncol 2020;16(15):975-89.

## **IMbrave 050 Study Design**





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## Sintilimab plus Bevacizumab Biosimilar vs Sorafenib as First-Line Treatment for Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma (ORIENT-32)

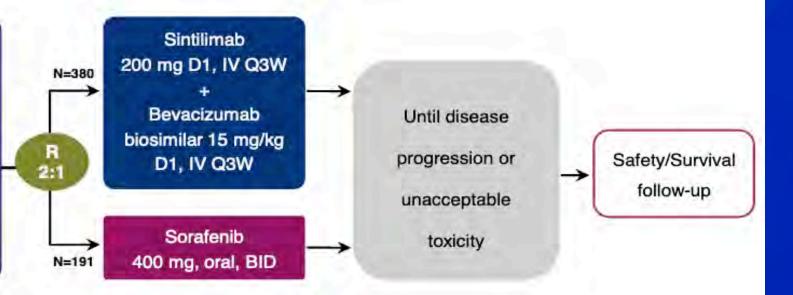
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## Phase III ORIENT-32 Trial of Sintilimab plus Bevacizumab Biosimilar vs Sorafenib as First-Line Therapy for Advanced HCC

#### **Key Eligibility Criteria**

- Unresectable or metastatic, systemic treatment naive HCC
- ≥18 years old
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- BCLC stage C or stage B (unsuitable for radical surgery and/or local treatment)
- Child-Pugh ≤7
- At least one measurable lesion per RECIST v1.1



#### **Co-primary endpoints**

- OS
- PFS by independent radiologic review committee (IRRC) per RECIST v1.1

#### Key secondary endpoints

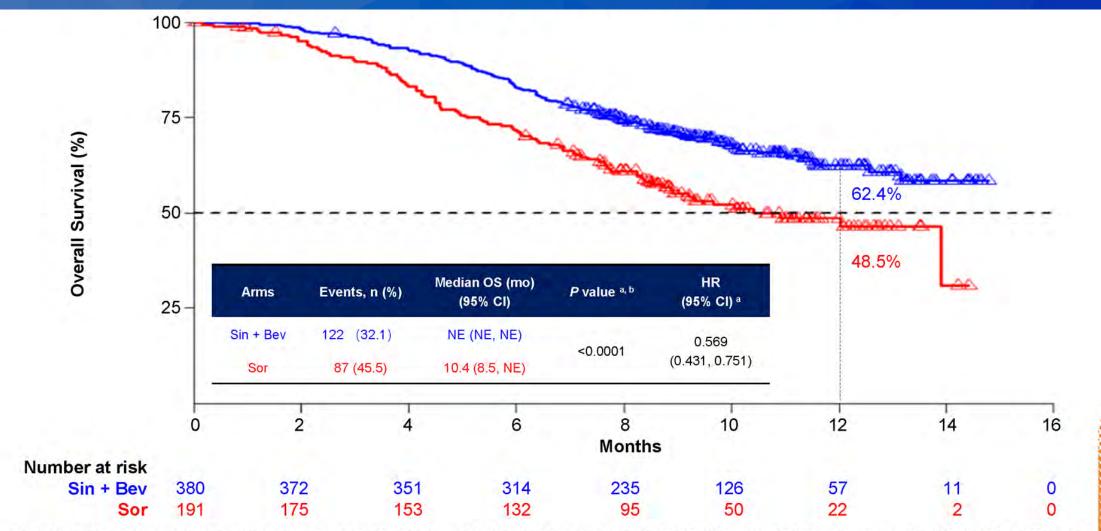
- PFS by investigator per RECIST v1.1
- ORR by IRRC and investigator per RECIST v1.1
- ORR by IRRC per HCC mRECIST

#### Stratification factors

- Macrovascular invasion (MVI) and/or extrahepatic metastasis (EHS) (yes/no)
- Baseline alpha fetoprotein (AFP; < 400 / ≥400 ng/mL)</li>
- · ECOG PS (0/1)

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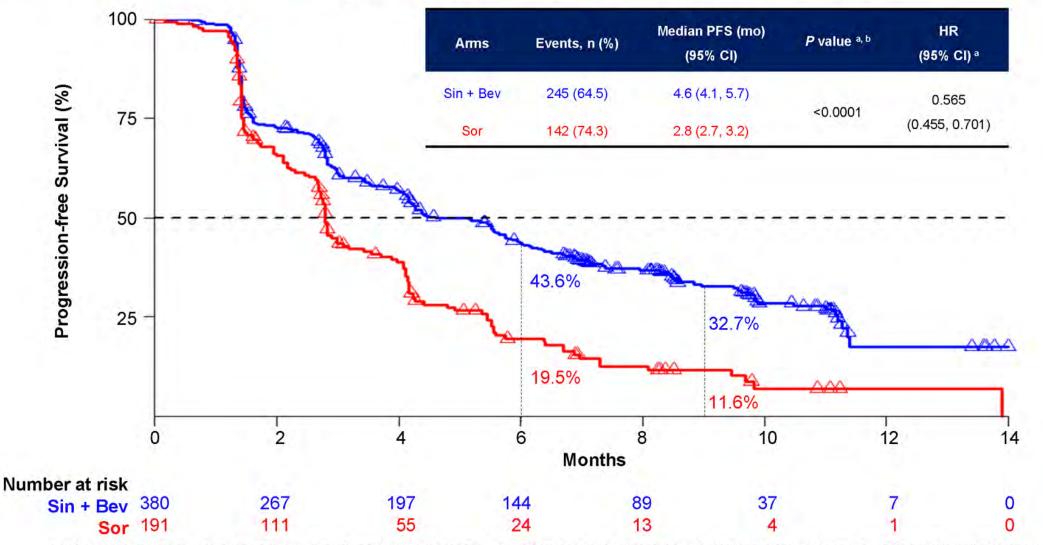
### **ORIENT-32 Coprimary Endpoint: Overall Survival**



NE, not evaluable; a, HR and P value were calculated with stratified Cox model and log rank test, and were stratified by MVI and/or EHS (yes vs no), baseline AFP (< 400 vs ≥400 ng/mL) and ECOG PS (0 vs 1); b, the two-sided P value boundary based on 209 events is 0.0035. Data cutoff, 15 Aug 2020; median survival follow-up, 10.0 months.

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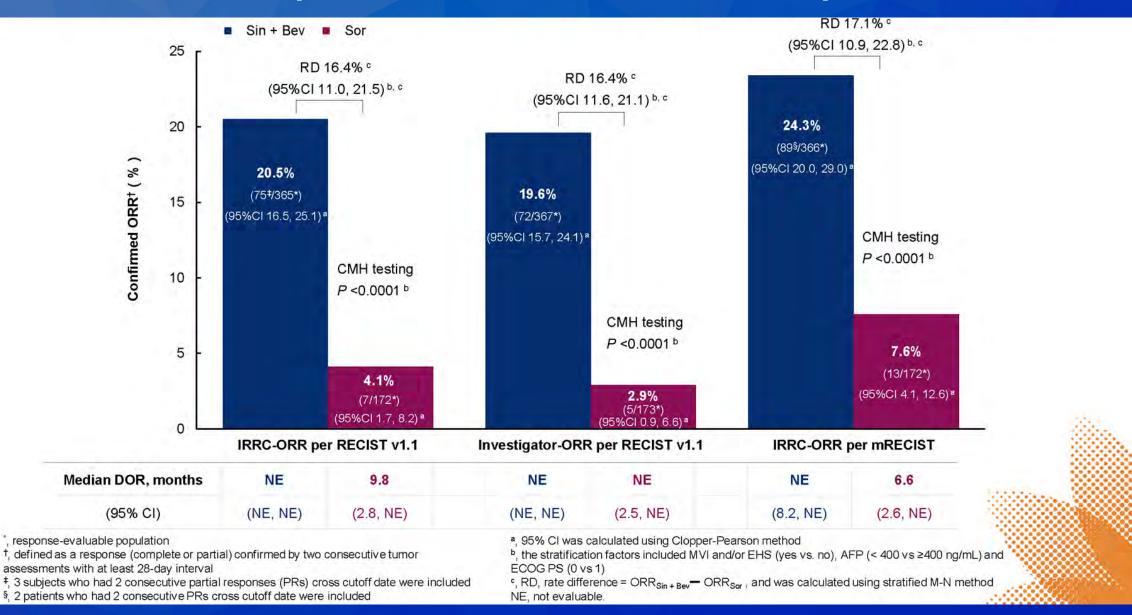
## **ORIENT-32 Coprimary Endpoint: Progression-Free Survival**



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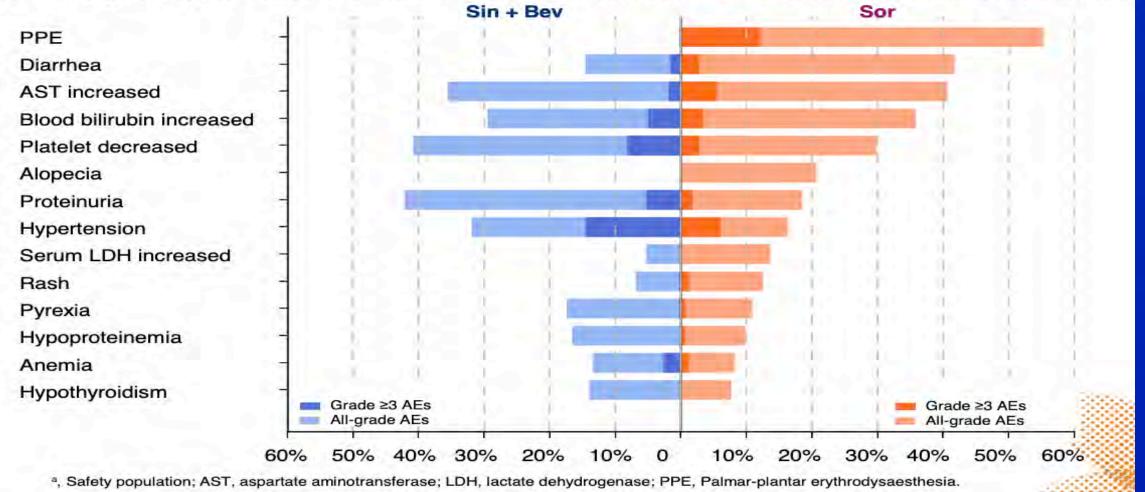
### **ORIENT-32:** Response Rate and Duration of Response



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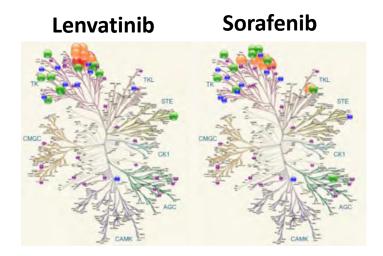
## **ORIENT-32: Safety**

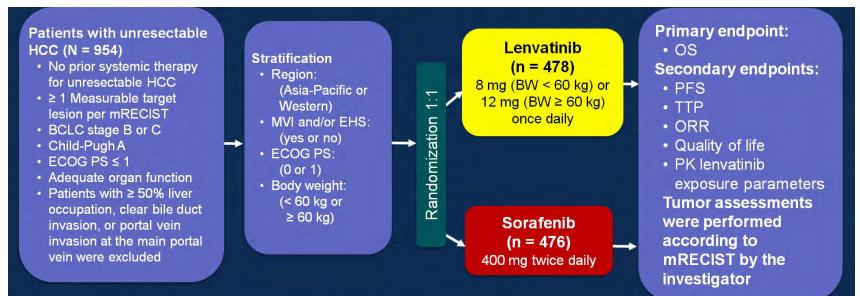
≥10% frequency of AEs in either treatment arm and >5% difference between arms



#### Ren Z et al. ESMO Asia 2020; Abstract LBA2.

## **REFLECT: Lenvatinib vs. Sorafenib**





Kudo et al. Lancet 2018

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## Lenvatinib Vs Sorafenib in HCC First-line randomized Phase III study

Outcomes	LENVATINIB	SORAFENIB	HR
Median OS, mos (95% CI)	13.6 (12.1–14.9)	12.3 (10.4–13.9)	0.92 (0.79–1.06)
Median PFS, mos (95% CI)*	7.4 (6.9–8.8)	3.7 (3.6–4.6)	0.66 (0.57–0.77)
Median TTP, mos (95% CI)*	8.9 (7.4–9.2)	3.7 (3.6–5.4)	
ORR, n (%)*	115 (24)	44 (9)	

**Exposure-Response (E-R) Efficacy and Safety (E-S)** Analyses of Tremelimumab as Monotherapy or in Combination with Durvalumab in Patients (pts) with Unresectable Hepatocellular Carcinoma (uHCC)

Song X et al.

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 313.



## Efficacy Outcomes for the Overall Study Population by Tremelimumab Treatment Arm

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Safety endpoints, <sup>a</sup> n (%)	n=74	n=69	n=82
Grade 3/4 treatment-related AEs <sup>b</sup>	26 (35.1)	30 (43.5)	19 (23.2)
Grade 3/4 treatment-related AESIb	20 (27.0)	22 (31.9)	16 (19.5)
Treatment-related AEs leading to discontinuation of study treatment	8 (10.8)	9 (13.0)	5 (6.1)
Efficacy endpoints <sup>c</sup>	n=75	n=69	n=84
Confirmed ORR, % (95% CI)	24.0 (14.9, 35.3)	7.2 (2.4, 16.1)	9.5 (4.2, 17.9)
PFS, median (95% CI), months	2.17 (1.91, 5.42)	2.69 (1.87, 5.29)	1.87 (1.77, 2.53)
OS, median (95% CI), months	18.7 (10.8, 27.3)	15.1 (11.3, 20.5)	11.3 (8.4, 15.0)

<sup>a</sup>Reported for the safety analysis set—all patients who received at least 1 dose of study treatment. <sup>b</sup>Only included patients with treatment-related maximum grade 3 or 4 AEs. <sup>c</sup>Reported for the full analysis set—all randomized patients.



## FDA approved first and second line therapies



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What would be your current preferred <u>first-line</u> systemic treatment for a 65-year-old patient with HCC, a <u>Child-Pugh</u> <u>B7</u> score and PS 1?

- 1. Sorafenib
- 2. Lenvatinib
- 3. Atezolizumab/bevacizumab
- 4. Chemotherapy
- 5. Other



Do you believe that patients with unresectable HCC limited to the liver who in the past underwent liver-directed therapy such as TACE should now instead receive initial systemic treatment (eg, atezolizumab/bevacizumab)?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No



What is your usual first-line systemic therapy for HCC in a 70-year-old patient with a Child-Pugh A score and Grade 1 esophageal varices being managed with a beta blocker?

- 1. Sorafenib
- 2. Lenvatinib
- 3. Sorafenib or lenvatinib coin flip
- 4. Atezolizumab/bevacizumab
- 5. Chemotherapy
- 6. Other

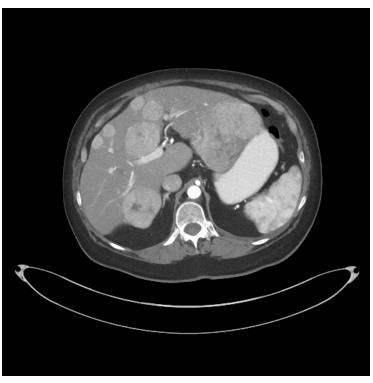


# Case Presentation – Dr Kaseb: A 65-Year-Old Woman with Child-Pugh A HCC

- 65 y.o. female with h/o metabolic syndrome, DM-type 2, dyslipidemia, hypothyroidism
- Patient was in her usual state of health until 9/2018 when she developed a persistent cough prompting CXR evaluation which showed left lower lobe pneumonia. Follow-up CT Chest on 9/21/18 confirmed left lower lobe pneumonia with surrounding pleural effusion, but also incidentally showed numerous centrally necrotic masses throughout the liver.
- The patient underwent CT Abdomen on 9/26/18 which showed multiple bilobar liver masses, largest measuring 9.8 cm in right liver, as well as an 8.5 cm soft tissue mass in the left liver, in addition to left portal vein tumor thrombus.
- On 9/27/18, she underwent CT-guided liver biopsy with pathology confirming hepatocellular carcinoma.
- Baseline Child-Pugh score was A, HCC staging: BCLS stage C, and AFP=528
- Patient started on atezolizumab + bevacizumab in 10/2018 after EGD that showed no varices. Treatment was tolerated very well, except for non-significant proteinuria, and occasional fatigue
- Baseline scans in 10/2018 as well as follow up scans in 2/2020 are shown, indicating major tumor response. AFP normalized as well.

# Case Presentation – Dr Kaseb: A 65-Year-Old Woman with Child-Pugh A HCC (cont)

**Baseline and last follow up imaging: bilobar tumors** 



10/2018



## Case Presentation – Dr Kaseb: A 65-Year-Old Woman with Child-Pugh A HCC (cont)

Baseline and last follow up imaging: left PV tumor thrombus





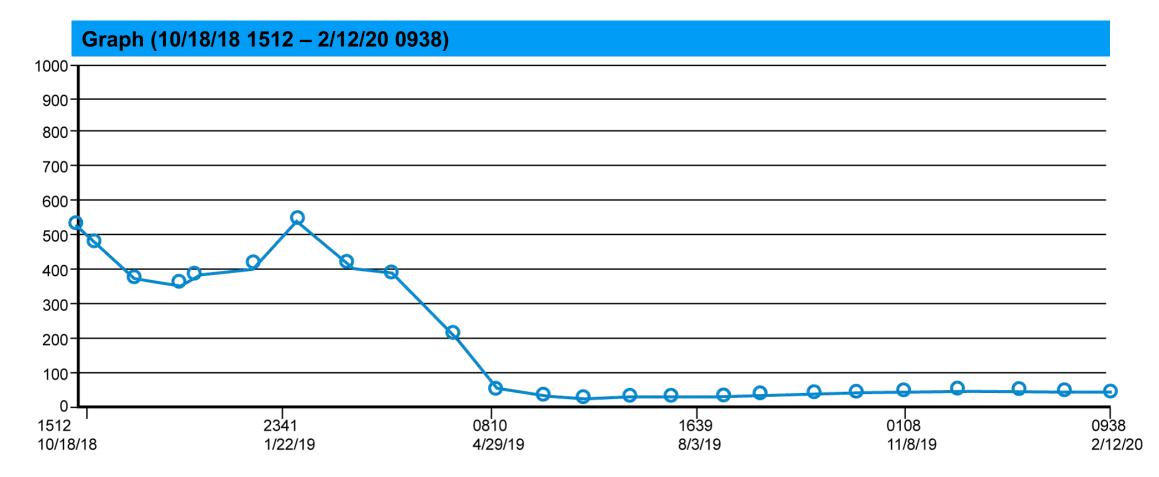


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## Case Presentation – Dr Kaseb: A 65-Year-Old Woman with Child-Pugh A HCC (cont)

**Baseline and last follow up AFP levels** 



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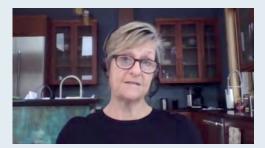
### Case Presentation – Dr Deutsch: A 68-year-old man with advanced HCC



- PMH: Cirrhosis secondary to viral hepatitis C, COPD
- 6/2018: During CT screening for lung cancer (smoker): Incidental finding of a large 6-cm portacaval mass
- Biopsy: High-grade adenocarcinoma consistent with HXCC
- Sorafenib, without response
- Nivolumab, with decrease in portocaval mass, reduced abdominal pain
  - Hypothyroidism (TSH: 50) after 1 year, treated with levothyroxine sodium
- 10/2020: Increase in liver lesion  $\rightarrow$  microwave ablation
- 12/2020: Increase in portocaval mass  $\rightarrow$  palliative RT, continue nivolumab

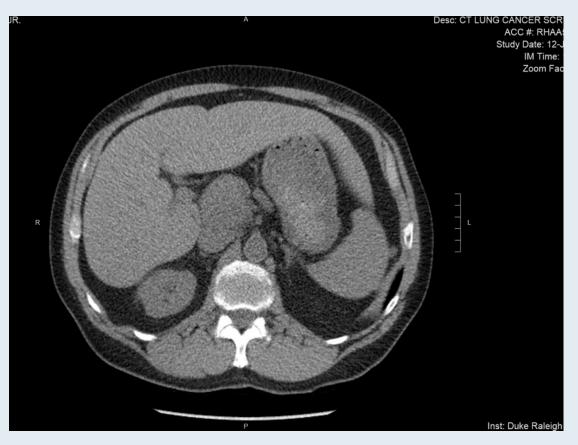
Margaret Deutsch, MD

### Case Presentation – Dr Deutsch: A 68-year-old man with advanced HCC

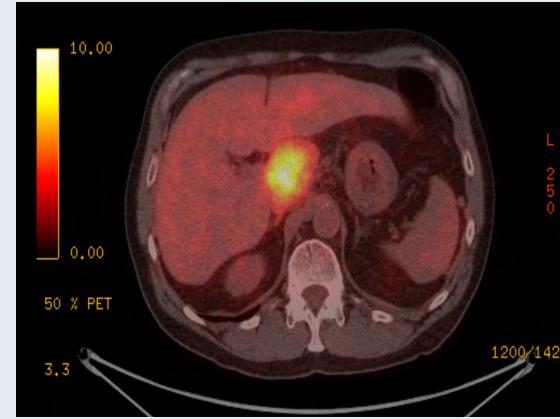


Margaret Deutsch, MD

### Portocaval mass: 6/2018



### Portocaval mass: 7/2019



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## Case Presentation – Dr Malhotra: A 65-year-old man with advanced HCC



Vikas Malhotra, MD

- S/p resection of early-stage HCC, with progressive disease 2 years ago
- Sorafenib, dose-reduced to 600 mg x 9 months  $\rightarrow$  progressive disease
- Patient desires treatment holiday, goes off treatment
- Cabozantinib x 6 months  $\rightarrow$  progressive disease
- Atezolizumab/bevacizumab compassionate use

### Questions

- How are the faculty using atezolizumab/bevacizumab in subsequent lines of therapy for patients who received other TKIs – sorafenib or cabozantinib? Are they getting paid for using the combination?
- What other treatment options are on the horizon?



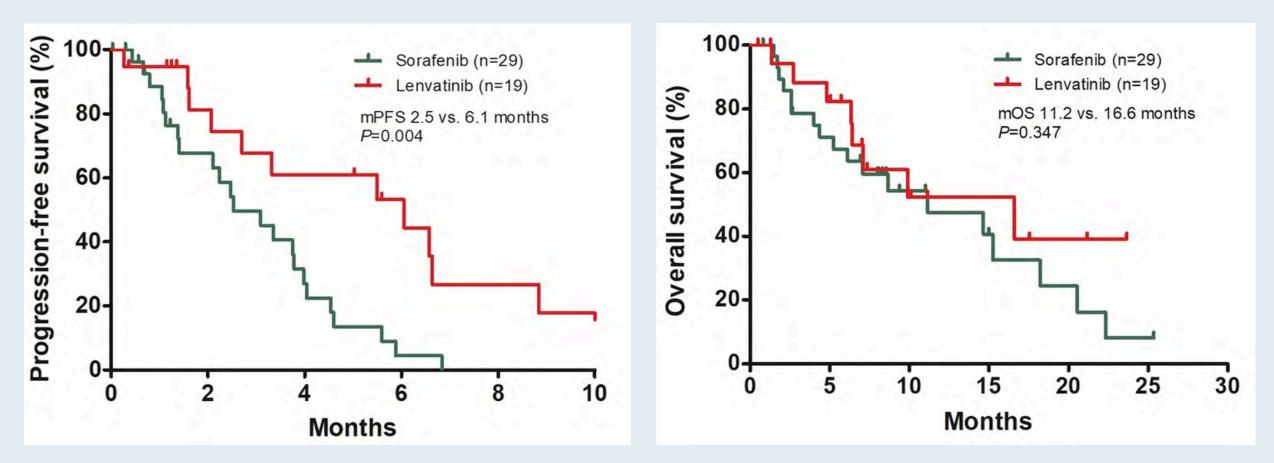
Clinical Outcomes with Multikinase Inhibitors After Progression on First-Line Atezolizumab plus Bevacizumab in Patients with Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma: A Multinational, Multicenter Retrospective Study

Yoo C et al.

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 272.



### Survival Outcomes with the Most Commonly Used\* Second-Line Multikinase Inhibitors After First-Line Atezolizumab/Bevacizumab

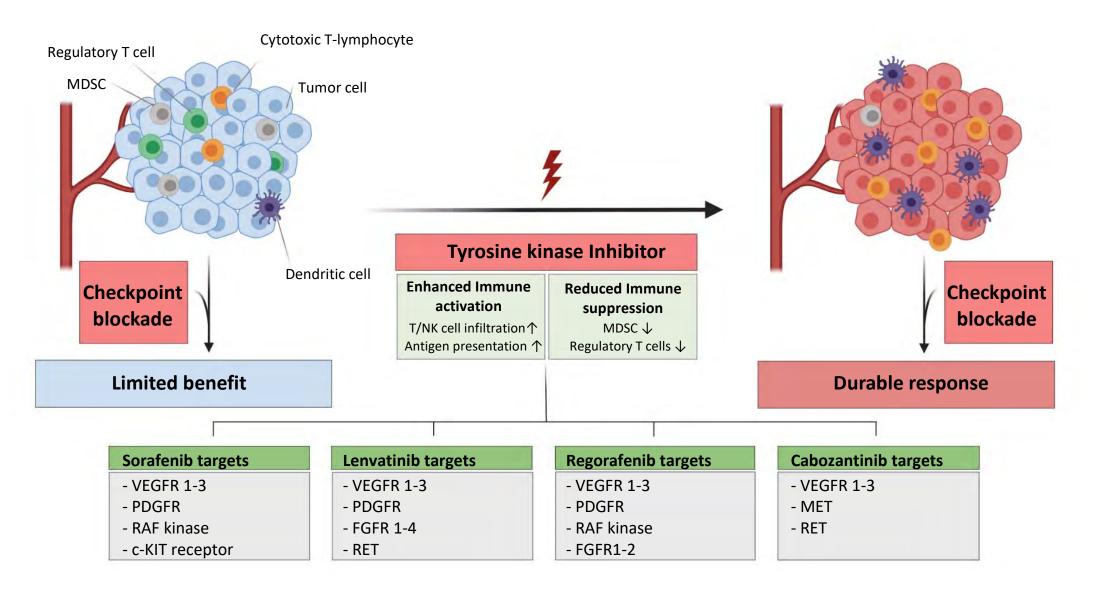


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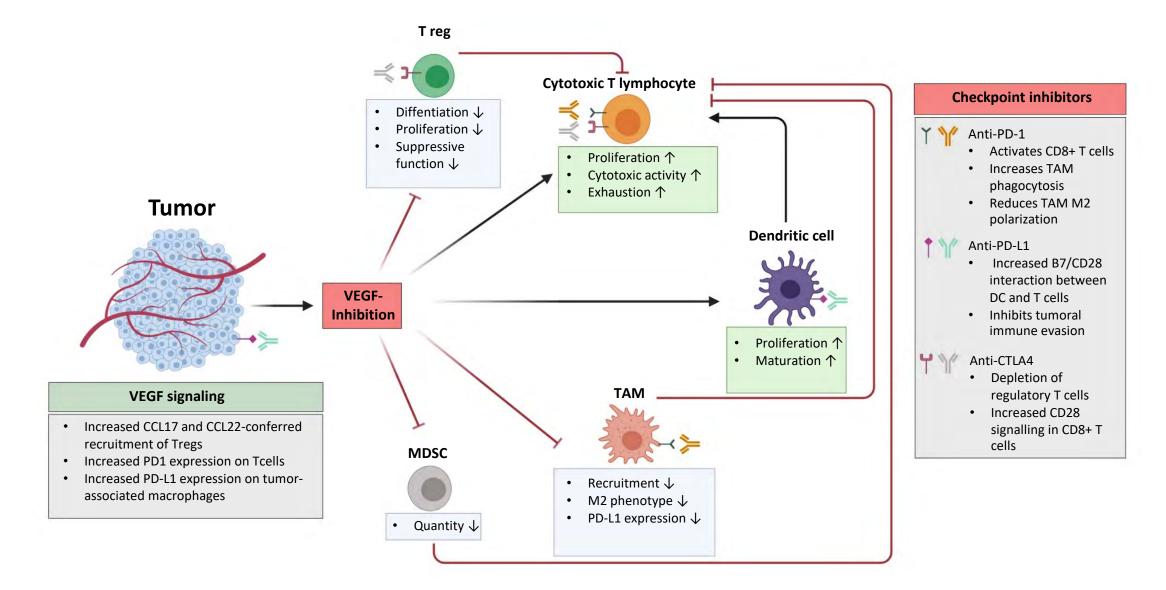
### Tyrosine kinase inhibitors plus immunotherapy



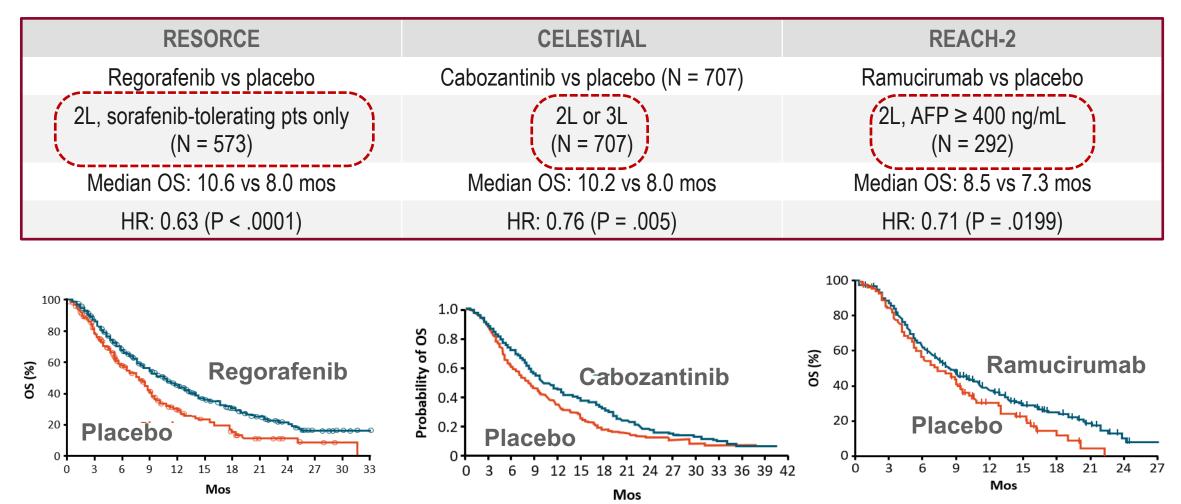
Courtesy of Tim Greten, MD

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### **Targeting VEGF plus immunotherapy**



### **TKIs as second line treatment for HCC**



Abou-Alfa. NEJM. 2018;379:54.

Zhu. Lancet Oncol. 2019;20:282.

Apatinib (AHELP), VEGFR2 inhibitor, OS: 8.7 vs 6.8 months, HR: 0.785 (0.617-0.998); Li. ASCO 2020. Abstr 4507

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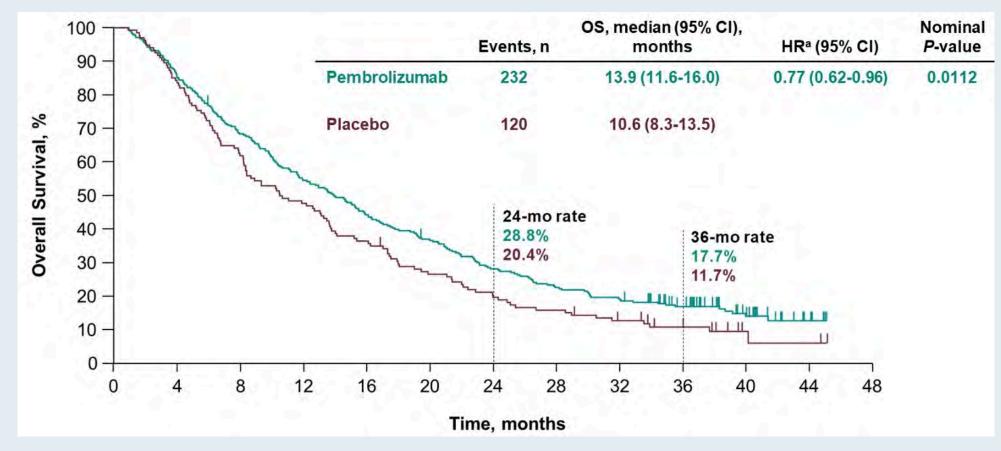
Pembrolizumab (pembro) vs Placebo (pbo) in Patients (pts) with Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma (aHCC) Previously Treated with Sorafenib: Updated Data from the Randomized, Phase III KEYNOTE-240 Study

Merle P et al.

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 268.



### **KEYNOTE-240: Updated OS and PFS** Hazard Ratios Maintained with Longer Follow-Up



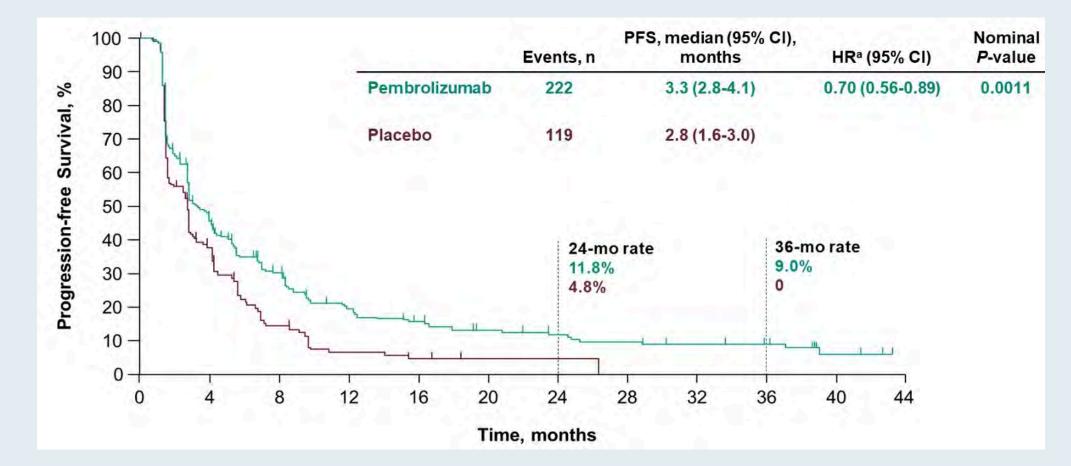
### **Overall Survival**

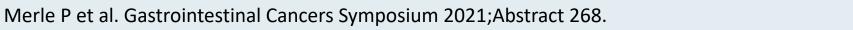
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### **KEYNOTE-240: Updated OS and PFS** Hazard Ratios Maintained with Longer Follow-Up

### **Progression-Free Survival**







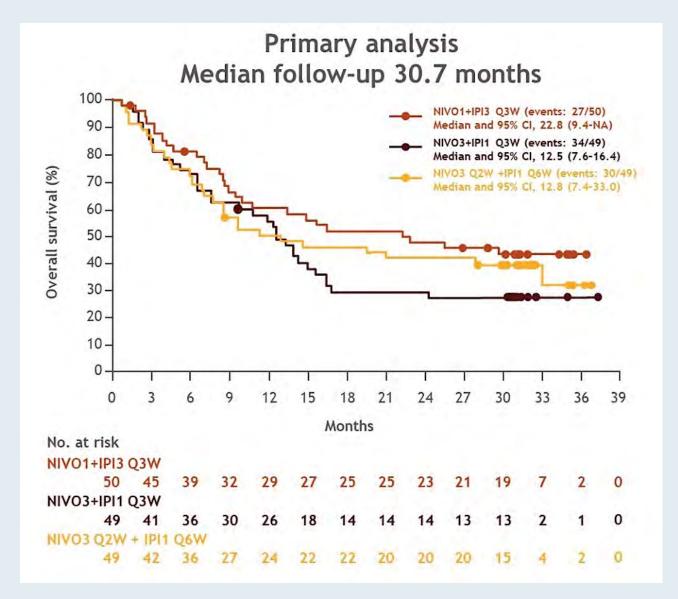
Nivolumab (NIVO) plus Ipilimumab (IPI) Combination Therapy in Patients (Pts) with Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma (aHCC): Long-Term Results from CheckMate 040

**El-Khoueiry AB et al.** 

Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 269.



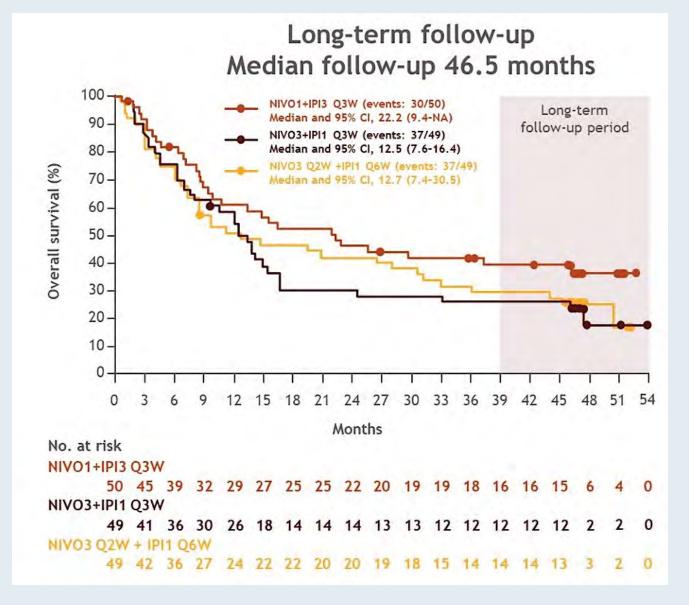
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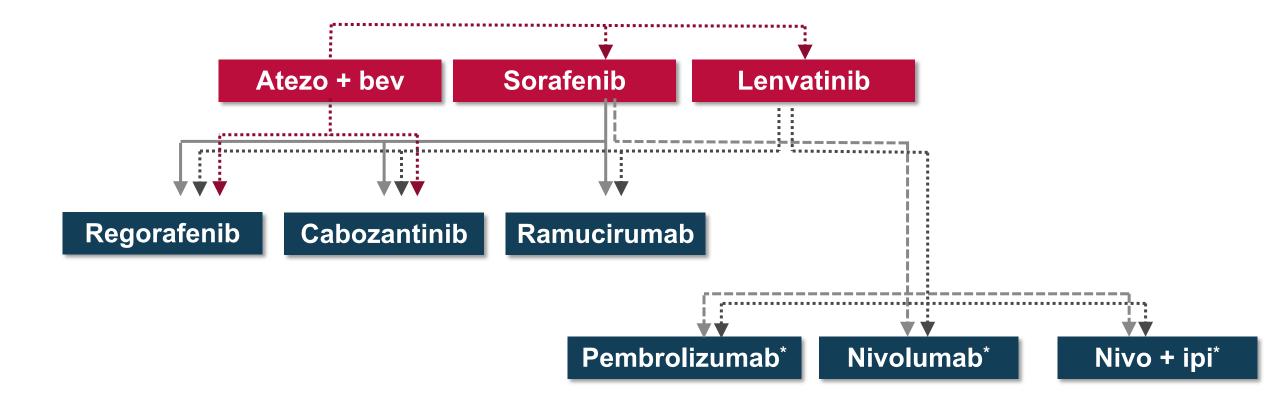
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El-Khoueiry AB et al. Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 269.

### How do I sequence first and second line therapy?



Regulatory and reimbursement issues aside, what would be your second therapy for a 65-year-old patient with HCC, a Child-Pugh A score and PS 0 who received <u>first-line sorafenib</u> with minimal toxicity, had stable disease for 14 months and then experienced disease progression (AFP 250 ng/mL)?

- 1. Lenvatinib
- 2. Regorafenib
- 3. Cabozantinib
- 4. Anti-PD-1 antibody
- 5. Atezolizumab/bevacizumab
- 6. Pembrolizumab/lenvatinib
- 7. Nivolumab/ipilimumab
- 8. Other



What would be your second-line therapy for a 65-year-old patient with HCC, a Child-Pugh A score and PS 0 who received <u>first-line atezolizumab/bevacizumab</u> and experienced disease progression after 18 months (AFP 2,500 ng/mL)?

- 1. Cabozantinib
- 2. Lenvatinib
- 3. Anti-PD-1 antibody
- 4. Nivolumab/ipilimumab
- 5. Ramucirumab
- 6. Regorafenib
- 7. Sorafenib
- 8. Other



What would be your most likely third-line systemic therapy recommendation for an otherwise healthy 65-year-old patient with HCC who experienced disease progression on <u>first-line</u> <u>atezolizumab/bevacizumab and second-line lenvatinib</u> (AFP 2,500 ng/mL)?

- 1. Sorafenib
- 2. Regorafenib
- 3. Cabozantinib
- 4. Ramucirumab
- 5. Anti-PD-1 antibody
- 6. Nivolumab/ipilimumab
- 7. Chemotherapy
- 8. Other



### Case Presentation – Dr Greten: A 69-Year-Old Man with Relapsed HCC

69 y/o male

Diagnosed with hepatitis C 1990.

Hepatocellular carcinoma diagnosed on screening ultrasound in August 2012, consisting of a single lesion in segment 7 of the liver -> RFA

2015: multifocal recurrence TACE therapy x3

2017 Sorafenib. He developed epistaxis and PD after 2 cycles and was taken off study.

2017: development of bone mets in the spine and shoulder – radiation therapy

2018: developed a lump on right buttock – radiation

2018: started on nivolumab -> PR and continues to have a PR

Skin rash, itching, trace of edema

### **Questions and Comments: Incorporation of local therapies during an era of effective systemic therapies**



Vikas Malhotra, MD



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## Case Presentation – Dr Matt-Amaral: A 68-year-old man with de novo metastatic HCC



Laurie Matt-Amaral, MD, MPH

- 7/2020: Stage IV HCC with metastases to the lung
- 8/10 8/21/2020: Sorafenib (discontinued due to recognition of emerging atezolizumab/bevacizumab data)
- 9/2020: Atezolizumab/bevacizumab, with great response
   Pre-existing psoriasis now has a "terrible" flare up, treated with apremilast

### Questions

• Do you have any suggestions for management of his autoimmune disease to keep the psoriasis under control?



### Generalizability of IMbrave150 and REFLECT?

### Stringent selection criteria

- Limited the extent of liver disease
- Exclusion of main portal vein involvement
- Restricted to CP-A
- Minimization of bleeding risk

### Application to selected special population

- Decompensated liver function
- Recent GI bleeding
- Autoimmune conditions
- Liver transplant recipient

# Child-Pugh score restricts access to pivotal clinical trials

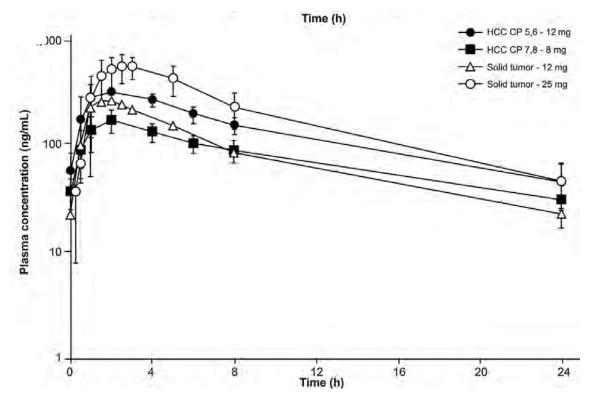
Pivotal Study Randomized Study	CHILD-PUGH B or worse			
SHARP	Yes			
REFLECT	NO			
IMbrave150	NO			
RESORCE	NO			
CELESTIAL	NO			
REACH-2	NO			
CheckMate 459	NO			
KEYNOTE-240	NO			

### Data with Sorafenib and decompensated liver function

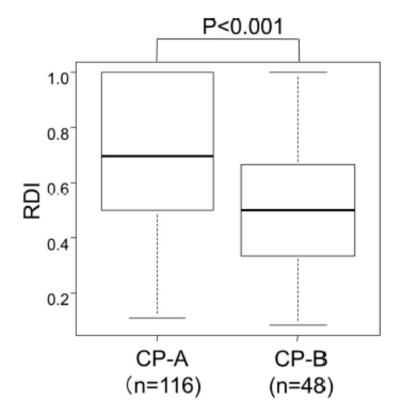
- CP-B and CP-C HCC patients are known to have worse OS on sorafenib (OS: CP-A 13.6 vs CP-B 5.2 months vs CP-C 2.6 months)
- CP-C is typically a contraindication to treatment
- A phase 1 study for sorafenib in patients with organ dysfunction indicates sorafenib dose modifications are required for CP-B or worse
- Newer TKIs and IO agents will require careful evaluation and this is ongoing

### Lenvatinib and CP-B liver function

### Limited PK data but dose may matter relative to Liver function



Retrospective studies indicate a similar rate of AEs despite lower relative dose intensity (PDI)



Ikeda et al. CCR 2017; Ogushi et al. Clinical and Experimental Gastroenterology

## Immuno-oncology agents and decompensated liver function

CheckMate 040 CP-B N= 49			
ORR	10.2%		
DCR	55.1%		
mDOR	9.9 months		
mOS	7.2 months		
TEAEs	51%		
AEs leading to discontinuation	4.1%		

Nivolumab in Patients With Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma and Child-Pugh Class B Cirrhosis: Safety and Clinical Outcomes in a Retrospective Case Series

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### Post-registration experience of nivolumab in advanced hepatocellular carcinoma: an international study

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Single agent IO appears safe data are limited for new combinations

Kudo et al. JCO supplement 2019

### Bleeding risk with Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab and other agents?

	All Grad	es	Grades 3 and 4		
Toxicity	No. of Patients	%	No. of Patients	%	
Hypertension	15	33	7	15	
Proteinuria	19	41	2	4	
Epistaxis	5	11	0		
Hemorrhage	12	26	5	11	
Arterial thrombosis	2	4	2	4	
Venous thrombosis	6	2	0	2	
Rash					
Thrombocytopenia	6	13	0	0	
Increased AST	10	22	1	2	
Increased ALT	9	20	1	2	
Increased alkaline phosphatase	5	11	1	2	
Increased bilirubin	12	26	5	11	
Ascites	5	11	2	4	
Fatigue	15	33	0	0	
Vomiting	5	11	0	0	
Anorexia	5	11	1	2	
Nausea	5	U	0	0	

Bevacizumab 5mg/kg
26% hemorrhage

<sup>–</sup> 11% Grade 3 or higher

IMbrave150*				
	Sorafenib	A + B		
Any Grade Hemorrhage	17.3%	25.2%		
Grade 3-4	5.8%	6.4%		
Grade 5	<1%	1.8%		

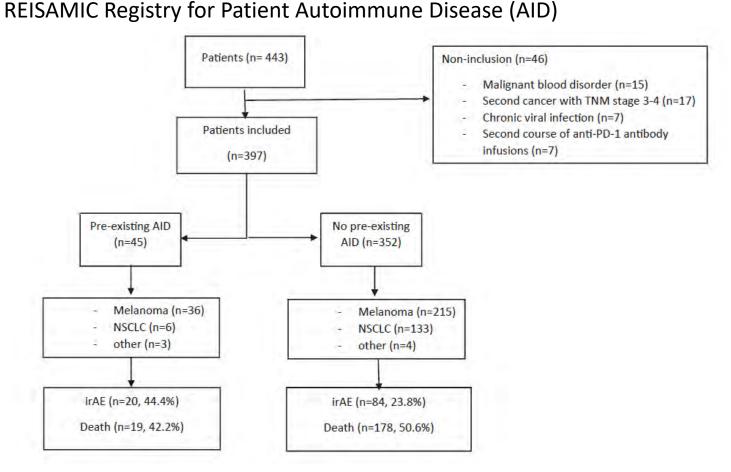
\*EGD and primary prophylaxis were required for patient entry, ? Ablity to extrapolate to patients with portal HTN and impaired liver function

## Immunotherapy in patients with autoimmune diseases must be used with caution

HCC in the context of autoimmune hepatitis (AIH) and primary biliary cholangitis (PBC) *Incidence 3-18 cases per 1000 patient year* 

Co-occurring autoimmune disease (AID) Incidence unknown

All Prospective Studies in HCC and IO have excluded, thus limitation in data



irAE 44% for those with AID vs 23.8% for those without AID

Danlos et al. European Journal of Cancer 2018

# Immunotherapy following liver transplant is contraindicated in routine practice

Change in liver function in 7 patients following IO treatment in prior liver transplant recipient

ID	Change in Child Pugh	Change in MELD	Change in AFP (ng/mL)	Change in albumin (g/dL)	Change in Tbili (mg/dL)	Change in AST (U/L)	Change in ALT (U/L)	Change in INR
1	0	+5	+1,000	-0.3	0	+162	+84	+0.08
2	0	0	N/A	+0.3	+0.1	-4	-7	-0.2
3	+1	0	+214,082	-0.1	0	+3	+26	+0.08
4	+1	+1	+8,480	-0.3	+0.1	+7	0	+0.08
5	0	+1	+206.1	+1.5	-0.1	+11	+1	+0.45
6	+2	+5	+64.6	-1.1	+0.2	+900	+846	0.18
7	+2	+6	+44,767	-0.1	+0.8	169	+151	+0.1
Median	+1	+1	+1,000	-0.3	+0.1	+11	+26	+0.08

ID, patient identification; MELD, model for end stage liver disease; AFP, alpha-fetoprotein; Tbili, total bilirubin; AST, aspartate transaminase; ALT, alanine transaminase; INR, international normalized ratio; ng/MI, nanograms per milliliter; g/dL, grams per deciliter; mg/dL, milligrams per deciliter; U/L, units per liter.

7 patients with advanced solid tumors and prior liver transplant- 5 with HCC

2 of 7 (29%) patients with prior liver transplant treated with IO developed acute rejection

0 of 5 HCC patients had clinical benefit

# Why do subsets of patients and tumors respond to immune checkpoint blockade?

#### Tumor Specific Factors

Histology Etiologic Factor -Viral-HBV/HCV -Parasitic Infection Genomics/Proteomics Driver mutation Mutational burden Neoepitope Pattern Microenvironment Hypoxia/Vasculature

#### **Host Specific Factors**

Innate Immunity Adoptive Immunity -HLA haplotypes -IL-chain/CLIP chaperoning -T-cell repertoire Immune Tolerance Human Microbiota

#### Immune Response

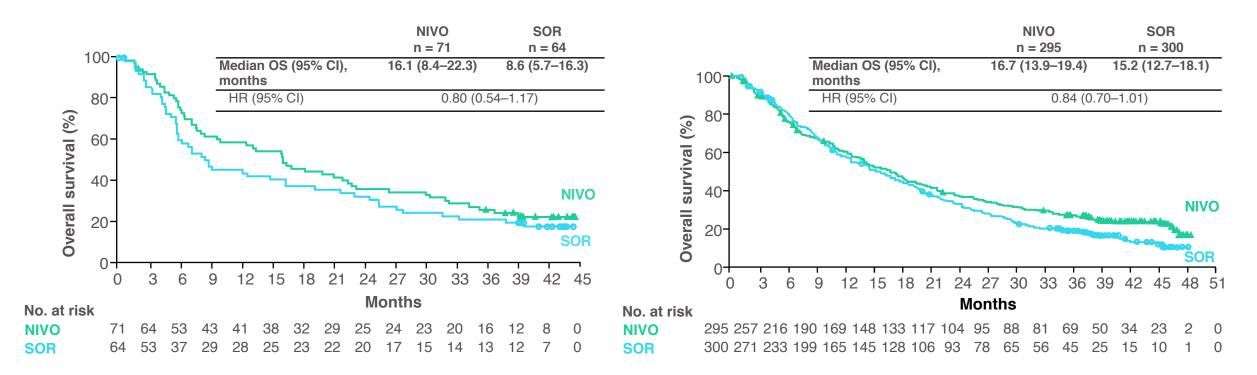
PD-L1 expression Intratumoral T-cell effectors T-regs and MDSCs NK and NK-like cells MHC I/II Expression Checkpoint Molecule Fas/Fas-ligand Macrophages CXCL-12/Fibroblasts

Feig et al PNAS 2013; Ku et al Cancer 2010; Menard et al Clin Cancer Res 2008; Weber et al JCO 2009; Hodi et al PNAS 2008; Hamid et al JCO 2009; Ng et al Cancer Immuno Res 2013; Tarhini et al PLoS One 2014; Kitano et al Cancer Immunol Res 2013; Spranger et al Sci Transl Med 2013; Kitano et al Cancer Immunol Res 2014; Ji RR et al, Cancer Immunol Immunother 2012; Yuan J et al, PNAS 2011; DiGiacoa\m lo etal Cancer Immunol Immunother 2013; Queirolog et al, Cancer Invest 2013; Wolchok et al, Cancer Immun 2010.

### CheckMate 459: Overall survival by PD-L1 expression

Tumor cell PD-L1 expression  $\geq 1\%$ 

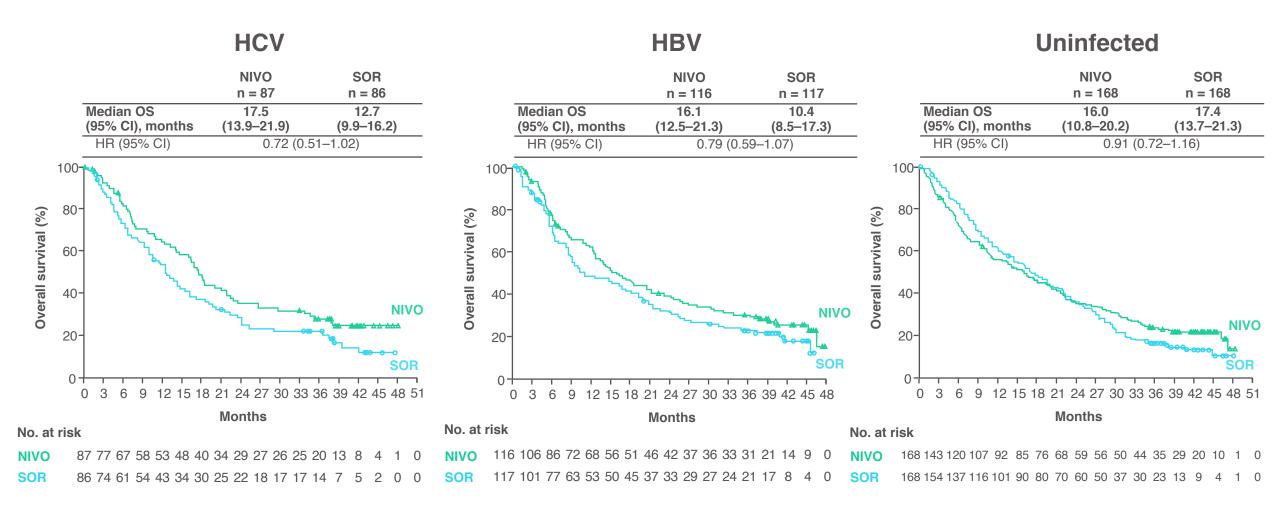
Tumor cell PD-L1 expression < 1%



• OS in the PD-L1  $\geq$  1% group was longer in the NIVO arm compared with the SOR arm



### **CheckMate 459: Overall survival by etiology**

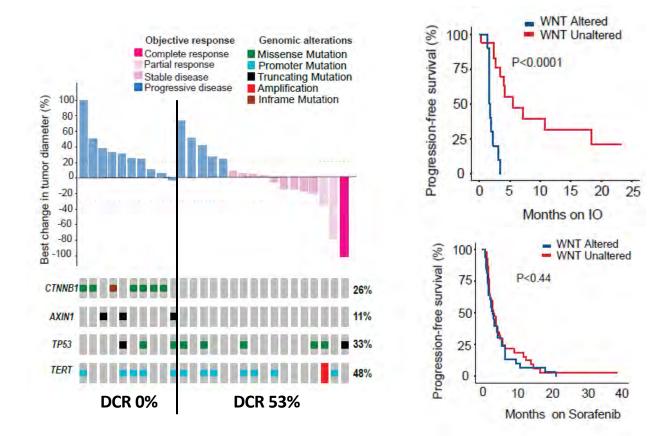


In the HCV and HBV groups, median OS was numerically longer with NIVO versus SOR



<sup>a</sup>Patients could have had active or resolved HBV or HCV infection as a risk factor for HCC as assessed by the investigator.

## WNT genomic alterations as a determinant of response to immune checkpoint inhibitors

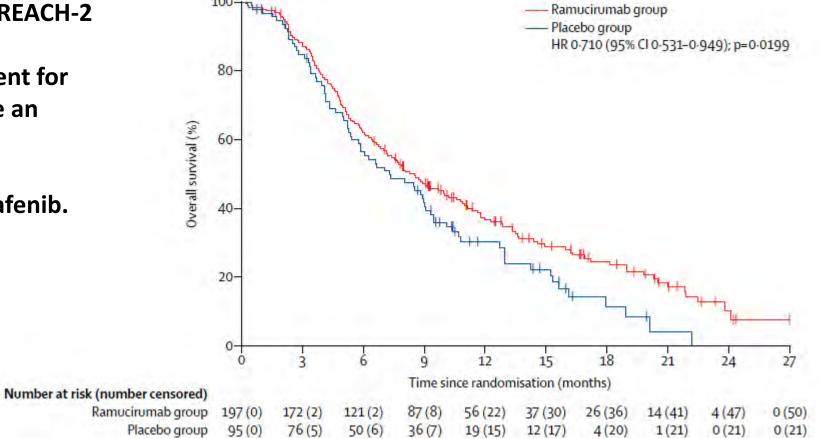


Harding et al. Clinical Cancer Research 2018

Courtesy of James J Harding, MD

# REACH-2 trial and the value of AFP

Based on the results of the REACH-2 trial, the FDA approved ramucirumab as a single agent for patients with HCC who have an alpha fetoprotein (AFP) of ≥ 400 ng/mL and have been previously treated with sorafenib.



Zhu et al. Lancet 2019

#### Courtesy of James J Harding, MD

What is your usual first-line systemic therapy for HCC in a 70-year-old patient with a Child-Pugh A score and cirrhosis but with a history of extensive psoriasis controlled with local therapy?

- 1. Sorafenib
- 2. Lenvatinib
- 3. Sorafenib or lenvatinib coin flip
- 4. Cabozantinib
- 5. Atezolizumab/bevacizumab
- 6. Chemotherapy
- 7. Other



What is your usual first-line systemic therapy for HCC in a 70-year-old patient with a Child-Pugh A score and cirrhosis but with a history of <u>liver transplant</u> currently off therapy?

- 1. Sorafenib
- 2. Lenvatinib
- 3. Sorafenib or lenvatinib coin flip
- 4. Cabozantinib
- 5. Atezolizumab/bevacizumab
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- 6. Chemotherapy
- 7. Other



# Case Presentation – Dr Harding: A 43-Year-Old Female with Stage IV HCC

- A 43-year-old female with controlled lupus and autoimmune hepatitis with AJCC Stage IV HCC
- She received lenvatinib with a partial response for 8 months and then cabozantinib with stable disease for 6 months.
- After a discussion regarding the risks and benefits of immunotherapy, the patient went on to receive a single agent anti-PD-1 therapy.
- The patient had normalization of AFP and a partial response on imaging.
- Subsequently the patient developed hypoalbuminemia, proteinuria, anasarca and hyperlipidemia and worsening liver function.
- Restaging showed continued disease control and a renal biopsy showed evidence of lupus glomerulonephritis.
- Immunotherapy was halted and the patient had improvement in her symptoms with high-dose steroids and mycophenolate.
- Restaging after 6 months showed growth of her malignancy and she has entered into a clinical trial for treatment

Case Presentation – Dr Harding : A 76-Year-Old Male with HBV-Associated HCC

- A 76-year-old male with HBV associated HCC to the LNs and adrenal gland with CP-A liver function
- Patient underwent a screening EGD that was normal, and received atezolizumab and bevacizumab
- After 9 weeks, he attained a partial response.
- The patient developed Grade 3 HTN and was treated with antihypertensives.
- After 6 months of treatment, the patient continued to have a sustained PR with well controlled blood pressure.
- The patient incidentally developed a painful inguinal hernia that required surgery.
- Bevacuzimab was held for 9 weeks while atezolizumab was continued in preparation for surgery.
- Surgery was uncomplicated and bevacizumab was resumed 9 weeks later

### Case Presentation – Dr Hussein: A 66-year-old woman with a 7-cm right hepatic mass with portal vein thrombosis



Atif Hussein, MD, MMM

- Alcoholic cirrhosis, with a 7-cm right hepatic lobe mass and portal vein thrombosis
- Child-Pugh score = 2, Serum alpha fetoprotein: 2,350 ng/mL, serum PT: 12.2 seconds, INR: 1.6, serum albumin: 3.1 g/dL, total bilirubin: 1.9 mg/dL, no ascites or hepatic encephalopathy
- Sorafenib  $\rightarrow$  PD
- Nivolumab x 9 months, with decrease in serum alpha fetoprotein

#### Questions

- In the pivotal study of atezolizumab/bevacizumab, all the patients underwent upper GI endoscopy, even if they were asymptomatic. Do you still do that in all your patients, or do you select those at high risk?
- What do you generally use as second-line therapy after atezolizumab/bevacizumab?



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# Case Presentation – Dr Zafar: A 77-year-old man with advanced HCC and good performance status



Syed Zafar, MD

- PMH: Hepatitis C, prostate cancer (1999), radiation cystitis with occasional hematuria
- Chronic peri-anal fistula
  - Vesicle artery embolization. Post-procedure CT revealed low-density left liver lesion
- MRI: Infiltrative left hepatic mass, tumor thrombus in the intrahepatic portal system, 13 x 9 cm, consistent with HCC, multiple lung nodules
  - AFP >40,000 ng/mL
- Nivolumab x 6 mos  $\rightarrow$  progressive disease

#### Questions

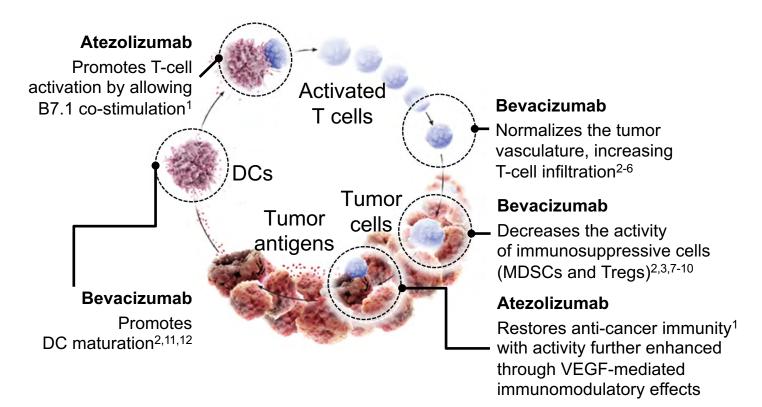
 In light of his occasional hematuria and the ongoing fistula, I am concerned about using anti-VEGF therapy, so what would you recommend now that his disease is progressing on nivolumab – add ipilimumab? Try a TKI?



# The Challenge

- Progress in systemic therapy has been slow
- Incremental improvements with sequential VEGFR TKIs
- Immune checkpoint inhibitors have demonstrated singleagent activity in advanced HCC but phase 3 studies did not meet their endpoints
- How do we improve outcomes with IO in HCC?
  - Biomarker select those patients that are most likely to benefit
  - Novel combinations that increase efficacy

# Combining VEGF Inhibition and Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 Agents



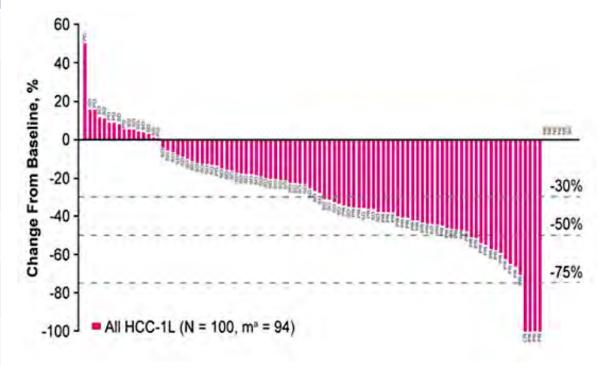
- Bevacizumab (anti-VEGF) is an antiangiogenic agent with additional immunomodulatory effects
- In combination, bevacizumab may further enhance atezolizumab's efficacy by reversing VEGF-mediated immunosuppression to promote T-cell infiltration into the tumor

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### **KEYNOTE-524: Lenvatinib+Pembrolizumab Efficacy Outcomes**

Parameter	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab (N = 100)						
	RECIST v1.1 per IIR						
ORR (confirmed responses), n (%) (95% Cl)ª	36 (36) (26.6–46.2)						
Best overall response, n (%) Complete response Partial response Stable disease <sup>b</sup> Progressive disease Unknown/not evaluable	1 (1) 35 (35) 52 (52) 7 (7) 5 (5)						
Median DOR <sup>c</sup> for confirmed responders, months (95% CI) <sup>d</sup>	12.6 (6.9–NE)						
Median TTR for confirmed responders, months (range)	2.8 (1.2–7.7)						
Disease control rate, n (%) (95% Cl)ª	88 (88) (80.0–93.6)						

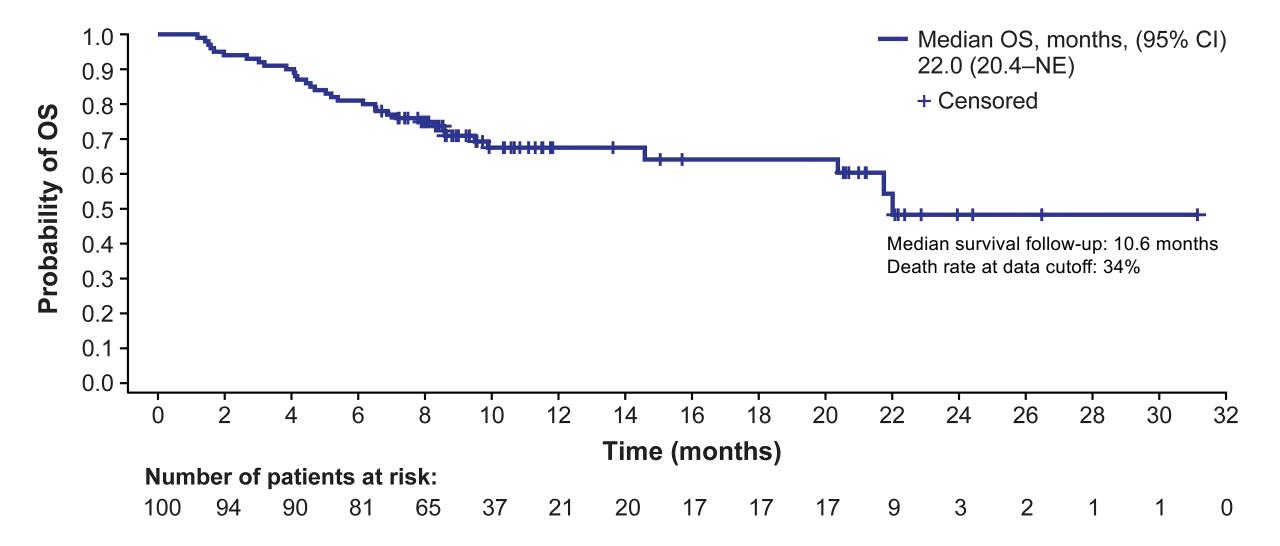
<sup>a</sup>The 95% CIs are calculated using an exact method of binomial distribution (Clopper– Pearson method); <sup>b</sup>includes unconfirmed partial response, noncomplete response/ nonprogressive disease, and durable stable disease; <sup>c</sup>the Kaplan–Meier method was used for estimating DOR; <sup>d</sup>the 95% CIs are based on a generalized Brookmeyer and Crowley method. Percentage Change From Baseline in Sum of Diameters of Target Lesions at Postbaseline Nadir (IIR; RECIST v1.1)



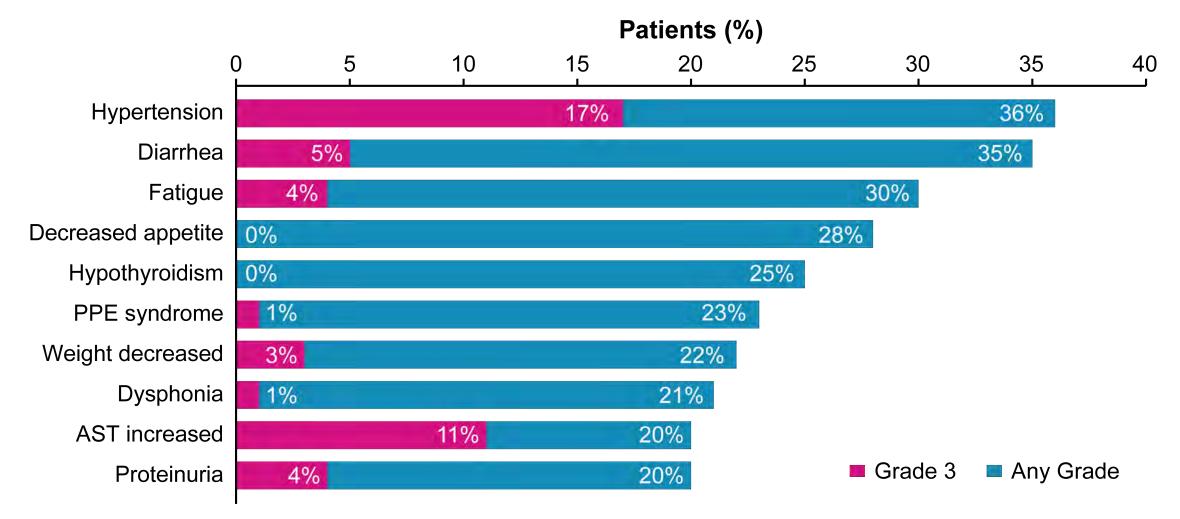
<sup>a</sup>m = number of patients with both baseline and postbaseline values for the sum of diameters of target lesions.

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## **KEYNOTE-524 Kaplan-Meier Estimates of OS**

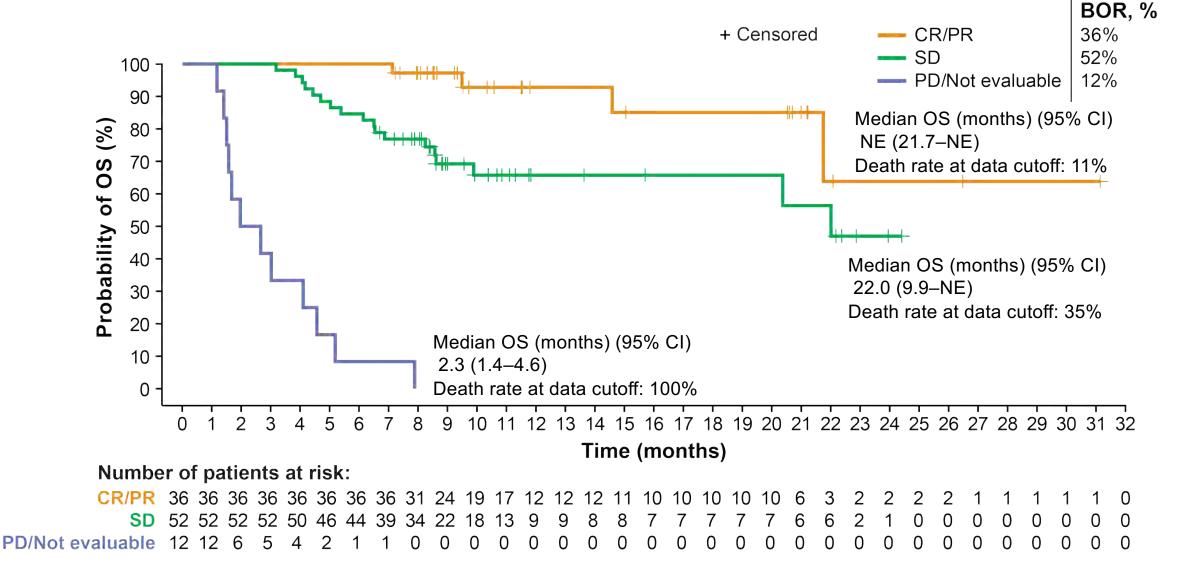


# **KEYNOTE-524 Most Common TRAEs<sup>a</sup> (≥ 20% of Patients)**



<sup>a</sup>There was 1 grade 4 treatment-related AE (leukopenia/neutropenia).
Finn et al JCO 2020.

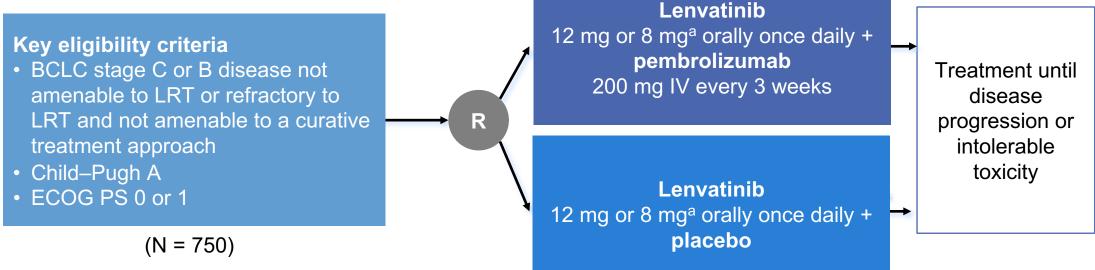
# **KEYNOTE-524 Kaplan–Meier Estimates of OS by Best Overall Response (IIR; RECIST v1.1)**



• Finn et al EASL 2020.

#### LEAP-002: First-Line Lenvatinib Plus Pembrolizumab Versus Lenvatinib Plus Placebo in Advanced HCC<sup>1</sup>

#### Phase 3



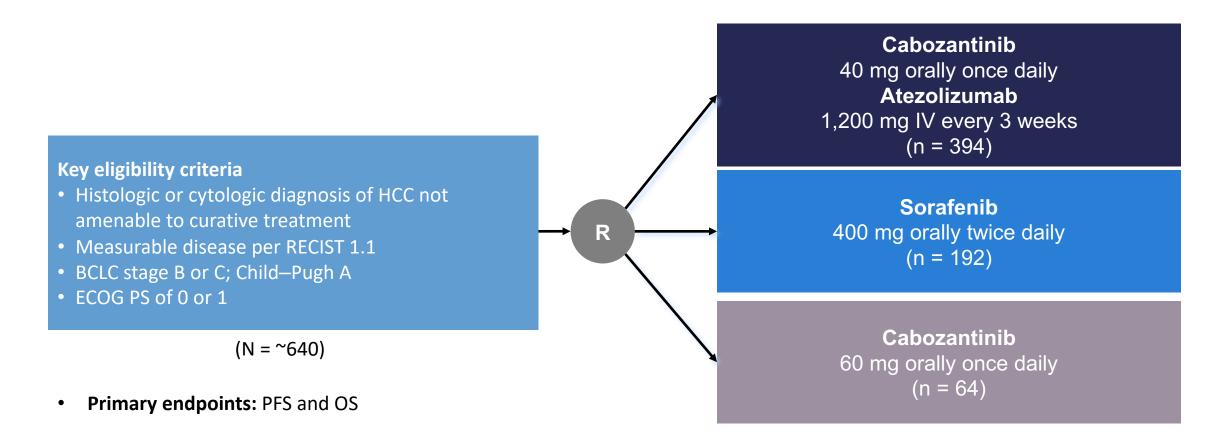
- **Primary endpoints:** OS and PFS
- Secondary endpoints: ORR, DOR, DCR, and safety

<sup>a</sup> 12 mg (for participants with screening body weight ≥60 kg) or 8 mg (for participants with screening body weight <60 kg).

1. https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03713593. Accessed May 13, 2019.

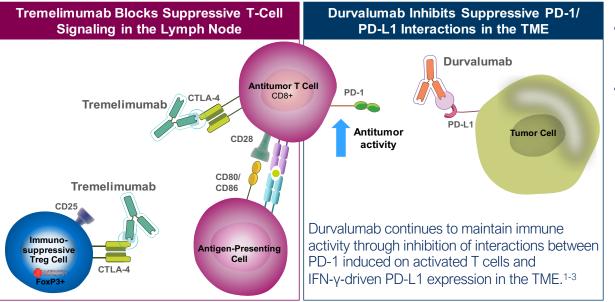
## Phase 3 COSMIC-312 Study: Cabozantinib ± Atezolizumab Versus Sorafenib in Advanced HCC<sup>1</sup>

Study in Adults With Advanced HCC Who Have Not Received Prior Systemic Anticancer Therapy in the Advanced Setting



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## **Revisiting anti-CTLA-4 and anti-PD-(L)1 Combination Strategy**

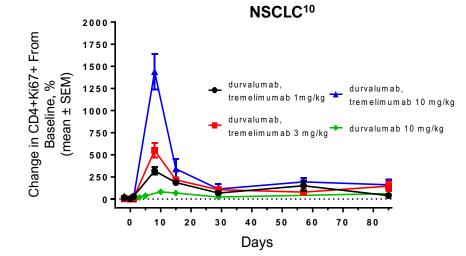


In solid tumors, ICI regimens incorporating higher doses of anti-CTLA-4 combined with anti-PD-(L)1 are often associated with improved OS compared to those with lower doses of anti-CTLA-4 but with increased toxicity.<sup>4-9</sup>

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- High-dose T combined with D results in an initial burst of peripheral T-cells in patients with NSCLC.<sup>10</sup>
- Similarly in melanoma, the initial dose of ipilimumab + nivolumab causes a proliferative burst of peripheral Tcells, which is not repeated at subsequent doses.<sup>11</sup>



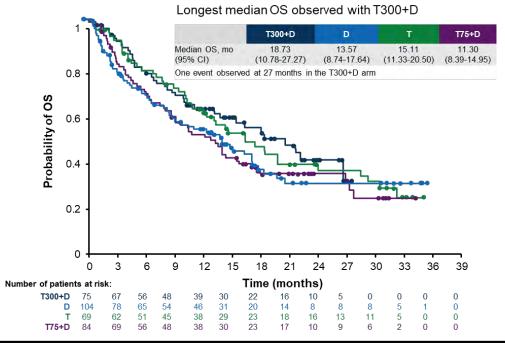
# Could a single priming dose of tremelimumab with durvalumab improve immune-mediated clinical activity in HCC patients while minimizing toxicity?

1. Huang, et al. *Nature*, 2017. 60-65; 2. Kamphorts, et al. *PNAS*, 2017. 4993-4998; 3. Butte, et al. *Immunity*, 2007. 111-122; 4.Yau, et al. *J Clin Oncol*, 2019. abstr 4012; 5. Naumann, et al. *Ann Oncol*, 2019. v851-v934; 6. Hellmann, et al. *J Cin Oncol*, 2017. abstr 8503; 7. Sharma, et al. *J Clin Oncol*, 2019. 1608-1616; 8. Janjigian, et al. *J Clin Oncol*, 2018. 2836-2844; 9. Weber, et al. *J Clin Oncol*, 2012. 2691-2697; 10. Antonia, et al. *Lancet Oncol*, 2016. 299-308. 11. Souza, et al. *Cancer Res*, 2018. abstr CT 104.



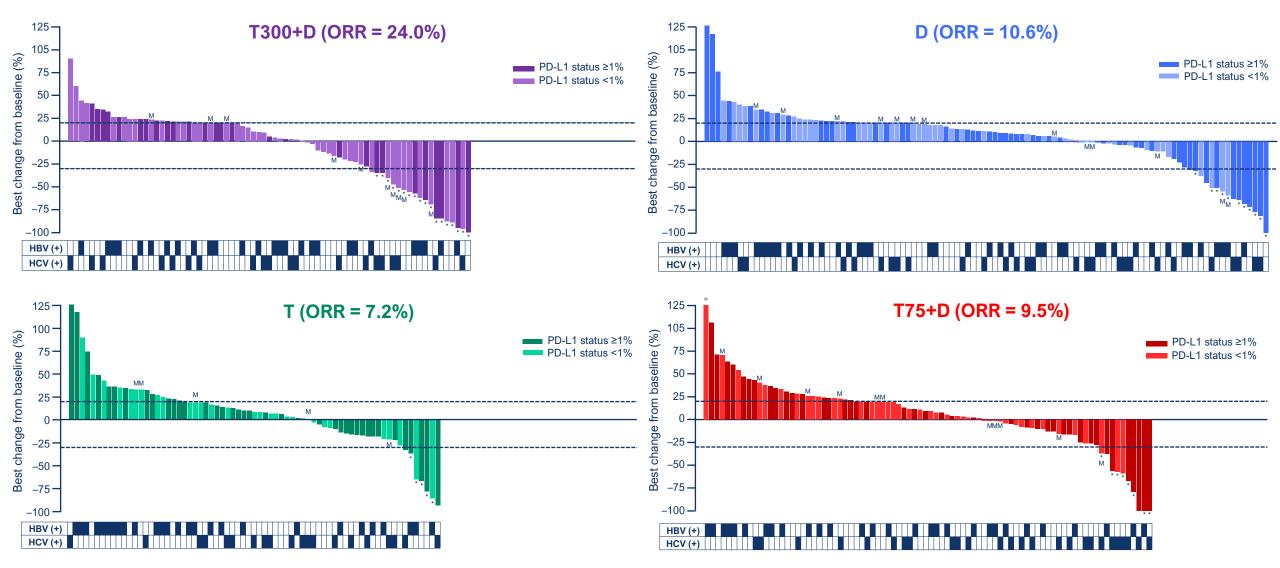
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#### Phase 2 Trial: Tremelimumab and Durvalumab<sup>1</sup>



	T300+D (n = 75)	T75+D (n = 84)	D (n = 104)	T (n = 69)
Grade 3/4 TRAEs, %	35.1	24.4	17.8	42.0
Serious TRAEs, % 13.5		11.0	10.9	21.7
Grade 5 TRAEs, n	0	3 <sup>b</sup>	0	
Discontinuation due to TRAEs, %	10.8	6.1	7.9	11.6
ORR, % (95% CI)	24.0 (14.9-35.3)	9.5 (4.2-17.9)	10.6 (5.4-18.1)	7.2 (2.4-16.1)
Median DoR, mo	NR	13.2	11.2	24.0

## **Responses Observed Regardless of PD-L1 or Viral Status**



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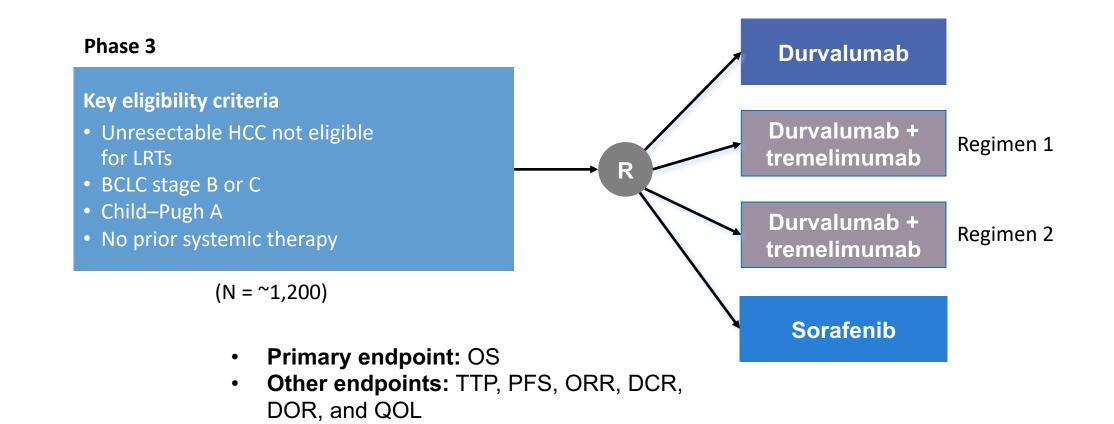
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\*Responders; M, PD-L1 status missing

PD-L1 status is calculated as total number of tumor cells and tumorassociated immune cells positive for PD-L1 divided by tumor area

# Phase III HIMALAYA Trial: Durvalumab Plus Tremelimumab Versus Sorafenib<sup>1</sup>



## CheckMate-040: Nivolumab + Ipilimumab Efficacy Results<sup>1,2</sup>

	Arm A NIVO1/IPI3 Q3W (n = 50)	Arm B NIVO3/IPI1 Q3W (n = 49)	Arm C NIVO3 Q2W/ IPI1 Q6W (n = 49)	ç		Arm A mOS (95% CI) = 22.8 mo (9.4-NE) Arm B mOS (95% CI) = 12.5 mo (7.6-16.4) Arm C mOS (95% CI) = 12.7 mo (7.4-33.0)										
ORR by BICR using RECIST v1.1, n (%)	16 (32)	15 (31)	15 (31)	;	70 -	J. See	- ,, ,,									
BOR, n (%)					60 -		ڡؚڴ	$\overline{\mathbf{L}}$	<u> </u>							
CR	4 (8)	3 (6)	0	<b>%</b> ;	50 -		L	᠆᠋᠊ᡶ	`			<b>`</b>	_			
PR	12 (24)	12 (24)	15 (31)	SO	40 -				ᠧ᠆		~					
SD	9 (18)	5 (10)	9 (18)						<u>م</u>	٦			7	<del>~ xx ×</del>		
PD	20 (40)	24 (49)	21 (43)		30 -					<u>ـــــ</u>				(000)	<u> </u>	0
Unable to determine	3 (6)	4 (8)	4 (8)		20 -											
DCR, n (%)	27 (54)	21 (43)	24 (49)		10 -											
Median TTR (range), months	2.0 (1.1–12.8)	2.6 (1.2–5.5)	2.7 (1.2–8.7)		0											
Median DOR (range), months	17.5 (4.6 to 30.5+)	22.2 (4.2 to 29.9+)	16.6 (4.1+ to 32.0+)		0	36	9	12	15	18 <b>Tim</b>	21 <b>e, mo</b>	24	27	30	33	

- Similar ORR, DCR, and DOR were observed across treatment arms
  - Consistently high ORR (>30%) was achieved in all treatment arms
  - In total, 7 patients had complete response (4 in arm A and 3 in arm B)
- Arm A: NIVO1/ IPI3 Q3W  $\times$  4 followed by nivolumab 240 mg IV Q2W flat dose
- Arm B: NIVO3/ IPI1 Q3W × 4 followed by nivolumab 240 mg IV Q2W flat dose
- ORR is defined as CR + PR
- SD does not include 2 patients in arm A and 1 patient in arm B who were reported as non-CR/non-PD
- DCR is defined as CR + PR + SD + non-CR/non-PD

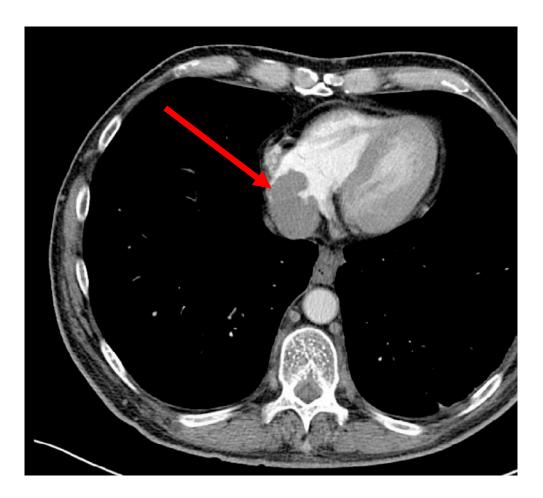
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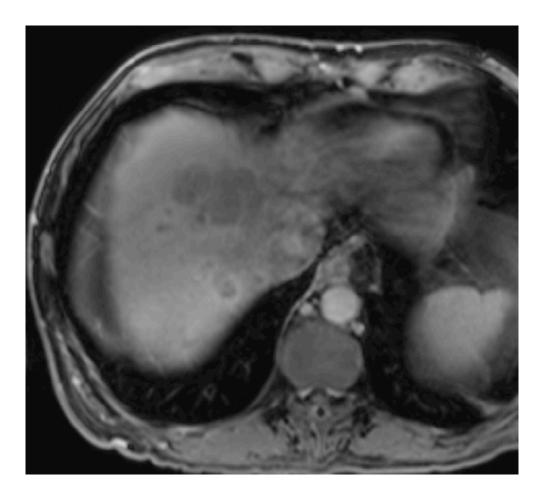
- A Randomized, Multi-center, Phase 3 Study of Nivolumab in Combination With Ipilimumab Compared to Sorafenib or Lenvatinib as First-Line Treatment in Participants With Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma
  - Primary Outcome Measure:
    - Overall Survival (OS)
  - Secondary Outcome Measures:
    - Objective Response Rate (ORR)
    - Duration of Response (DOR)
    - Time to Symptom Deterioration (TTSD)
- Start 9/19
- Primary Completion 9/23

## Case Presentation – Dr Finn: A 65-Year-Old Man with Newly Diagnosed mHCC and Elevated AFP

- 65 y.o. male who presented in late November of 2019, with progressive ascites, and muscle wasting. Ultimately, a CT scan was done on 12/20/19, which showed cirrhotic liver, with multiple enhancing liver lesions, largest 5.5cm compressing and invading his IVC.
- Labs done on 1/2/20 showed AFP of 1357, and positive for Hep C.
   Previous to this, he states he was not aware of being Hep C positive, but did use IV drugs in his teen years.
- WBC 7.0, Hgb 15.7, plts 89, Cr 0.5, T bili 1.4, Alb 3.8, AST 96, ALT 38.
- ECOG PS 2.

### Case Presentation – Dr Finn: A 65-Year-Old Man with Newly Diagnosed mHCC and Elevated AFP (cont)

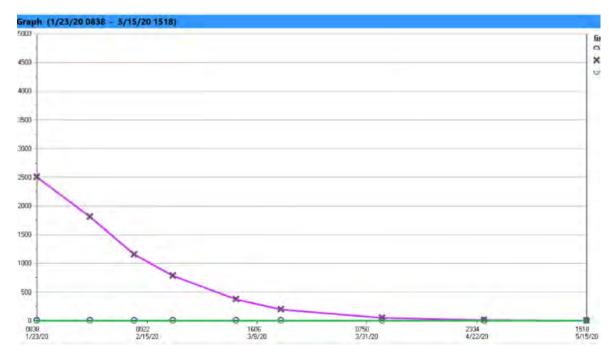




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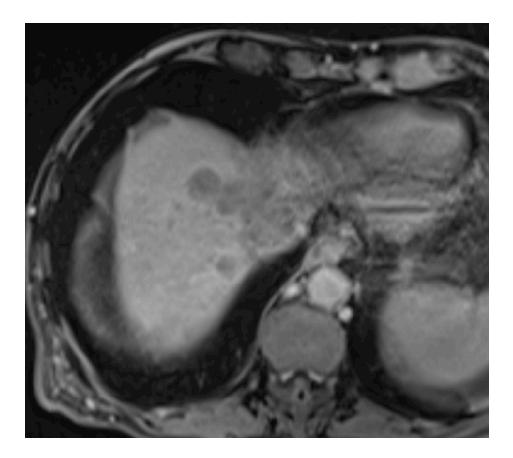
- Have discussion, pt with very advanced HCC with invasion into the RA
- CP A6/ B7 (from ascites)
- Needs a response and quickly
- Start len 12 mg + pembro Feb 2020
- T bili slowly rises, peaking at 4.6 in March and len held, wt loss
- AFP rapidly declines
- T bili starts falling and len resumed at
  4 mg then titrated to 8 mg

#### **AFP** over time



## Case Presentation – Dr Finn: A 65-Year-Old Man with Newly Diagnosed mHCC and Elevated AFP (cont)

- Overall improving energy, decreased ascites, stopped using walker
- Reimaged May 2020 after C5 pembro
  - Significant response
- Ongoing response, 2021



#### Case Presentation – Dr Shehadeh: A 70-year-old man with newly diagnosed Child-Pugh A HCC



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- PMH: Treated hepatitis C, alcohol abuse
- 11/2020: Child-Pugh A HCC (MELD: 7) heavily involving the right lobe (see images), with no extrahepatic disease
  - AFP: 63,000 ng/mL
- Referred for liver-directed therapy (delayed due to social issues)
- 1/2021: Admitted with SOB, wide complex tachycardia, probably alcohol-induced cardiomyopathy
  - Currently stable on medications, EF: 35%, PS 1
- Interventional radiology/radiation oncology plan: yttrium-90 radioembolization

#### Case Presentation – Dr Shehadeh: A 70-year-old man with newly diagnosed Child-Pugh A HCC



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### MRI Abdomen (11/11/2020)

Case Presentation – Dr Shehadeh: A 70-year-old man with newly diagnosed Child-Pugh A HCC (cont)



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#### Questions

- How to decide between radioembolization vs chemoembolization for patients like him? Since his right lobe is almost totally occupied by HCC, do you consider multi-stage embolization, and how often?
- What about future TKI and IO in the context of his significant cardiomyopathy?

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