RCC YIR 2020



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Nivolumab/Ipilimumab as First-line Therapy (CheckMate 214, BIONIKK)

CheckMate 214: Phase 3 Study of Nivolumab + Ipilimumab vs Sunitinib in 1L Advanced/Metastatic RCC^{1,2}

N=1070

Nivolumab 3 mg/kg + Ipilimumab 1 mg/kg **Eligibility:** q3w for 4w, then • Adv/metastatic (AJCC Stage 4) RCC Nivolumab 3 mg/kg IV q2w • No prior systemic Tx for RCC unless 1 prior adjuvant/neoadjuvant Tx (no Until disease progression R **VEGF/VEGFR** targeted therapy) or unacceptable toxicity 1:1 • KPS ≥70% Sunitinib • Measurable disease (RECIST 1.1 50 mg PO qd defined) 4 weeks on, 2 weeks off • Tumor tissue available for PD-L1 testing

Primary Outcome Measures: PFS, OS, ORR
Secondary Outcome Measure: Safety
Key Exploratory Measures: antitumor activity (ORR, PFS, OS) in favorable risk patients, outcomes by tumor PD-L1 expression level, health-related QoL based on FKSI-19

CM 214: Overall Survival 42 Month Min Follow Up: by IMDC Risk

Intermediate/poor risk

Favorable risk



Motzer RJ et al. J Immunother Cancer 2020

CM 214: Exploratory endpoint Health-related quality of life: Intention to treat



METHODS: study design



Overall response rate (ORR: CR+PR) using RECIST 1.1 per investigator

Vano Y et al. ESMO 2020; Abstract LBA25.

BIONIKK RESULTS: Primary Endpoint: Objective Response Rate (2)

Evaluable patients in Target Cohort (TCE, n=154), RECIST 1.1 (investigator)



¹*TCE:* evaluable pts in target cohort ²*ACE:* evaluable pts in additional cohort

BIONIKK RESULTS: Safety

All randomized patients (n=202)

No new safety signals compared to published data

	Arm A Nivolumab n=61	Arm B Nivolumab- ipilimumab n=101	Arm C TKI n=40 ¹
All grades G3-4, n (%)	26 (42)	65 (64)	28 (70)
All grades TRAE, n (%)	54 (88)	99 (98)	37 (92)
Grades 3-4 TRAE, n (%)	<mark>11 (18)</mark>	<mark>45 (44)</mark>	<mark>22 (55)</mark>
Treatment-related deaths, n (%)	0	1 (1)	2 (5)

TRAE: treatment-related adverse event ¹sunitinib 33 ; pazopanib 7

Vano Y et al. ESMO 2020; Abstract LBA25.

Nivolumab/Ipilimumab as First-line Therapy (CheckMate 214, BIONIKK)

- Impact on Patient Care and Treatment Algorithm
 - CM 214 shows ongoing OS advantage for NI over SU with 42 months minimal FU.
 - The OS advantage is seen in Intermediate and Poor Risk patients but not Favorable risk at this time.
 - QoL is better with NI than SU
 - NI remains a Standard First line Option for Intermediate and Poor Risk.
 - What is the SOC for favorable risk?
 - BIONIKK suggests that we may be able to prospectively select whether a patient needs CTLA-4 in addition to PD-1 based on tumor tissue signature.
 - PD-1 seems to be as efficacious and less toxic in selected patients

• Implications for Future Research

- Further FU on CM 214?
- Prospective biomarker driven RCC trial?



KEYNOTE-426: Pembrolizumab/Axitinib as First-line Therapy

KEYNOTE-426 Study Design



³Axitinib dose could be increased to 7 mg, then 10 mg, twice daily if safety criteria were met; dose could be reduced to 3 mg, then 2 mg, twice daily to manage toxicity. ^bSunitinib dose could be decreased to 37.5 mg, then 25 mg, once daily for the first 4 weeks of each 6-week cycle to manage toxicity. Data cutoff: January 6, 2020.

KEYNOTE-426: OS in the ITT Population



^aBecause superiority of pembrolizumab + axitinib was shown at the first interim analysis, no alpha was allocated to OS; only nominal *P* values are reported. Data cutoff: January 6, 2020.

Plimack E et al. ASCO 2020; Abstract 5001; Powles T et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2020.

KEYNOTE-426: IMDC Favorable Risk: OS, PFS, and ORR



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KEYNOTE-426: IMDC Intermediate/Poor Risk: OS, PFS, and ORR



Plimack E et al. ASCO 2020; Abstract 5001; Powles T et al. Lancet Oncol 2020.

KEYNOTE-426: Summary and Conclusions

- With extended follow-up, pembrolizumab + axitinib continued to demonstrate clinically significant improved efficacy compared with sunitinib for previously untreated, advanced RCC
 - OS: HR, 0.68; *P* < 0.001^a; 24-month rate, 74% vs 66%
 - PFS: HR, 0.71; *P* < 0.0001^a; 24-month rate, 38% vs 27%
 - ORR: 60% vs 40%; P < 0.0001^a
 - CR rate: 9% vs 3%
- Exploratory landmark analysis demonstrated that greater depth of tumor shrinkage was associated with increased OS in the pembrolizumab + axitinib arm
 - Patients with ≥80% tumor reduction had similar survival rates as patients who achieved confirmed CR by RECIST v1.1 within 6 months after randomization
- These results continue to support pembrolizumab + axitinib as a standard of care for patients with previously untreated advanced RCC

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Plimack E et al. ASCO 2020; Abstract 5001.

KEYNOTE-426: Pembrolizumab/Axitinib as First-line Therapy

• Impact on Patient Care and Treatment Algorithm

- KN-426 shows ongoing OS advantage for PA over SU with 24 months minimal FU.
- The OS advantage is seen in Intermediate and Poor Risk patients but not Favorable risk at this time.
- QoL is not better with PA than SU (see below)
- PA remains a Standard First line Option for Intermediate and Poor Risk mRCC.
- What is the SOC for favorable risk?

• Implications for Future Research

- Further FU on KN 426? Biomarkers?
- Compare with CM 9ER and the CLEAR trial

KEYNOTE-426: FKSI-Disease-Related Symptom Subscale Health-Related Quality of Life



There were also no differences between the treatment groups in time to deterioration in the confirmed analysis (HR 1.12; 95% CI 0.91-1.38), as well as in the unconfirmed analysis (HR 1.02; 95% CI 0.86-1.20).

- FKSI-DRS subscale measures nine RCC related symptoms: lack of energy, fatigue, weight loss, pain, bone pain, shortness of breath, cough, fever, and hematuria
- Minimally important differences for KEYNOTE-426 were defined as ≥3 point change

FKSI-DRS=Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy Kidney Symptoms Index – Disease Related Symptoms; LS=least square. Bedke J, et al. EAU20 Virtual Congress, 17-26 July 2020,. Game-changing Session 4.

JAVELIN Renal 101: Avelumab/Axitinib as First-line Therapy

With further follow up, the PFS advantage for AA over SU is very consistent but OS remains elusive.

The lack of OS advantage, relegates the use of AA to a place behind behind NI, PA and CN regimens and possibly LenPem.



CheckMate 9ER: Nivolumab/Cabozantinib as First-line Therapy

CheckMate 9ER: Study design



Median study follow-up, 18.1 months (range, 10.6-30.6 months)

Primary endpoint: PFS Secondary endpoints: OS, ORR, and safety

^aDefined as the percent of positive tumor cell membrane staining in a minimum of 100 evaluable tumor cells per validated Dako PD-L1 immunohistochemistry 28-8 pharmDx assay. ^bNIVO dosing may not exceed a total of 2 years (from cycle 1); CABO and SUN treatment may continue beyond 2 years in the absence of progression or unacceptable toxicity. Patients may be treated beyond progression.

IMDC, International Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma Database Consortium; IV, intravenously; ORR, objective response rate; PD-L1, programmed death ligand 1; PFS, progression-free survival; PO, orally; Q2W, every 2 weeks; QD, once daily; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors.

1. Clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03141177. Accessed June 8, 2020; 2. Choueiri TK et al. Poster presented at the American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting 2018. TPS4598. 4

CheckMate 9ER: Overall survival



Minimum study follow-up, 10.6 months. NE, not estimable; NR, not reached.

Choueiri T et al. ESMO 2020; Abstract 696O.

CheckMate 9ER: Overall survival in subgroups

Subgroup	NIVO+CABO	SUN	HR for death (95% CI)	
	Events/no. of patients			
Overall	67/323	99/328	·	0.60 (0.44-0.82)
Region				
US/Europe	26/158	45/161		0.48 (0.30-0.79)
Rest of world	41/165	54/167		0.71 (0.48-1.07)
MDC prognostic risk				
Favorable	10/74	11/72		0.84 (0.35-1.97)
Intermediate	40/188	51/188		0.70 (0.46-1.07)
Poor	17/61	37/68		0.37 (0.21-0.66)
PD-L1 expression				
≥ 1%	28/83	30/83		0.80 (0.48-1.34)
< 1% or indeterminate	39/240	69/245		0.51 (0.34-0.75)
Age	24/404	66/240		0 44 /0 00 0 (7)
65 years	36/122	22/118		0.44 (0.29-0.67)
2 05 years	50/152	55/110		0.90 (0.50-1.44)
Sex	47/240	44/222		0 50 (0 40 0 25)
Male	4//249	00/232		0.59 (0.40-0.65)
remale	20//4	33/96		0.08 (0.39-1.18)
Karnofsky performance status				
90-100	45/257	56/241		0.69 (0.47-1.03)
≤ 80	22/66	43/85		0.52 (0.31-0.86)
Bone metastases				
Yes	24/78	33/72		0.54 (0.32-0.92)
No	43/245	66/256		0.61 (0.41-0.89)
Previous nephrectomy				(
Yes	36/222	66/233	·	0.49 (0.33-0.74)
No	31/101	33/95		0.79 (0.48-1.29)
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			NIVO+CABO better SUN bette	ar l

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CheckMate 9ER: Objective response and best overall response per BICR



Outcome, %	NIVO+CABO (n = 323)	SUN (n = 328)
Complete response	8.0	4.6
Partial response	47.7	22.6
Stable disease	32.2	42.1
Progressive disease	5.6	13.7
Not evaluable/not assessed ^a	6.5	17.1
Median time to response	2.8	4.2
(range), months ^b	(1.0-19.4)	(1.7-12.3)
Median duration of response	20.2	11.5
(95% CI), months ^b	(17.3-NE)	(8.3-18.4)

ORR favored NIVO+CABO over SUN across subgroups including by IMDC risk status, tumor PD-L1 expression (≥ 1% vs < 1%), and bone metastases

BICR-assessed ORR and BOR by RECIST v1.1.

Choueiri T et al. ESMO 2020;Abstract 696O.

^aIncludes patients who were never treated, those who discontinued/died before disease assessment, those without measurable disease at baseline per BICR, or other reason not reported/specified; ^bMedian time to and duration of response were calculated for patients who had a complete or partial response (n = 180 with NIVO+CABO, n = 89 patients with SUN). 11

CheckMate 9ER: Health-Related Quality of Life

FKSI-19: Total Score

FKSI: Disease-Related Symptom Subscale



*Between-arm difference was statistically significant at this time point (*P*<0.05). Change from baseline was assessed using descriptive statistics and a mixed-model repeated measures analysis, which controlled for treatment arm, time point, baseline patient-reported outcomes score, IMDC prognostic score, PD-L1 tumor expression, and region. No. at risk denotes intention-to-treat patients with baseline plus at least 1 post-baseline HRQOL assessment with non-missing patient-reported outcome data. Time 0 indicates baseline.

FKSI-19=Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy Kidney Symptom Index-19; LS=least square. Choueiri TK, et al. ESMO 2020. Presentation #6960.

CheckMate 9ER: Nivolumab/Cabozantinib as First-line Therapy

- Impact on Patient Care and Treatment Algorithm
 - CM 9ER shows early ORR, PFS and OS advantage for CN over SU
 - The OS advantage is seen in Intermediate and Poor Risk patients but not Favorable risk at this time.
 - QoL is better with CN than SU
 - CN is a Standard First line Option for Intermediate and Poor Risk mRCC.
 - What is the SOC for favorable risk?

Implications for Future Research

- Triple combination in ccRCC
- Activity in nccRCC



COSMIC-021: Atezolizumab/Cabozantinib as Firstline Therapy

• Impact on Patient Care and Treatment Algorithm

Atezo + Cabo shows significant activity and acceptable toxicity in first line and small cohort of previously treated (n=10) mRCC patients

• Implications for Future Research

• CONTACT-03 TRIAL

CONTACT-03 Study Design

ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT04338269

Advanced RCC (N≈500)

- Clear cell or non-clear cell (papillary or unclassified); sarcomatoid component allowed
- 1-2 prior lines of therapy
- 1 prior line of ICI; must be in immediately preceding line of therapy
- Progression on or after prior ICI

Cabozantinib 60 mg QD PO + Atezolizumab 1200 mg Q3W IV

Stratification

- IMDC risk group (0, 1-2, ≥3)
- Clear cell vs non-clear cell (both without sarcomatoid component) vs any sarcomatoid component (clear cell or non-clear cell)
- Most recent ICI therapy (1L vs 2L)

Cabozantinib 60 mg QD PO Tumor assessment every 9 weeks for the first 18 months and every 12 weeks thereafter (RECIST v1.1)

Treatment until loss of clinical benefit or intolerable toxicity

No crossover allowed

Primary Endpoints: PFS by Independent Review Facility (IRF), OS

1:1

Secondary Endpoints: PFS by Investigator, ORR by Investigator and IRF, DOR by Investigator and IRF

Nivolumab/Ipilimumab in Previously-treated Advanced RCC

- Generally trying to do an adapative design in mRCC has been challenging.
- OMNIVORE, HCRN GU 16-260 AND TITAN trials suggest:
 - Cross over is difficult to manage in a trial with many dropouts and some adverse effect issues
 - The addition of CTLA-4 inhibition may change disease trajectory in 5-13% of patients.
 - Single agent Nivolumab is active in the first line.
 - We already have data on Pembrolizumab in this setting (KN427)

• Implications for Future Research

 Biomarker driven selection would be optimal either from start of therapy or at progression

McKay RR et al. J Clin Oncol 2020; Atkins MB et al. ASCO 2020; Abstract 5006; Gul A et al. J Clin Oncol 2020.

Lenvatinib/Pembrolizumab in Previouslytreated Advanced RCC

- This combination showed a remarkably high ORR in excess of 50% in patients previously treated with ICI.
- Questions remain
 - About the quality of response assessment coming into the trial, which is difficult to control for.
 - Prior use of which CPI and VEGFrTKi of specific type
 - Likely that Nivolumab and Axitinib predominated
 - Requires validation

Implications for Future Research

• The first line CLEAR trial awaits

CLEAR: A Phase III Study Comparing Lenvatinib + Everolimus vs Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab vs Sunitinib in Patients With Advanced or Metastatic RCC



Study Endpoints

- Primary: PFS
- Secondary: OS, ORR, safety and tolerability, HRQoL

Stratification

- Geographic region (western Europe and North America vs other)
- MSKCC prognostic groups (favorable, intermediate and poor risk)



David Quinn's Preferred Therapeutic Sequencing and Decision Points for Metastatic RCC 2020

Baseline: Cytoreductive nephrectomy; control critical metastases: brain, bone; general health measures: TSH, Vitamin D



Renal cell cancer: where to in 2021?

- We have a wealth of agents with IO, VEGF and mTORi mechanism of action
- For first line IO eligible patients who are <u>intermediate to poor</u>risk, Nivo + Ipi, Pembro + Axitinib and Cabo + Nivo provide a robust OS benefit
- These are regimens of first choice
- Therapy selection may be based on the toxicity of the drug added to the PD-1 agent at the start of treatment
- For <u>good risk</u> metastatic patients, IO therapy is an option but first line VEGFrTKI followed by other agents including IO therapy results in a similar OS outcome.
- The addition of Ipi to Nivolumab in patients with stable disease or progression produces an incremental response in 10-15% of patients. (GU 16-260, German Urology Group data TITAN, now OMNIVORE)
- Cabozantinib is an excellent alternative or salvage option, relative to IO therapy in intermediate and poor risk cases. Axitinib and other VEGFrTKIs are active if the patient has not had prior exposure.
- More data to follow ...

