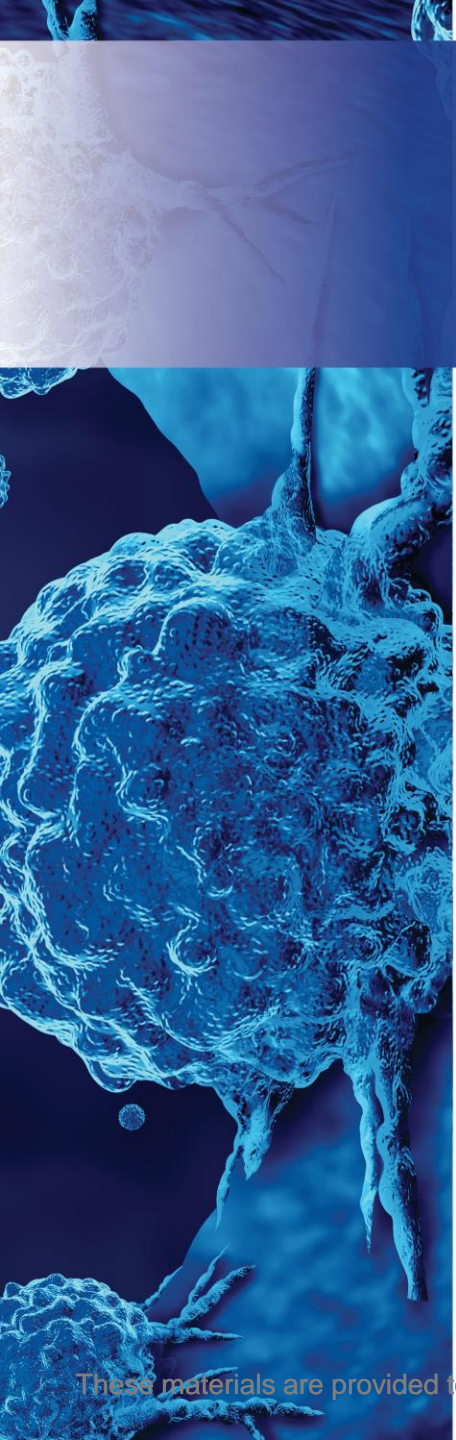
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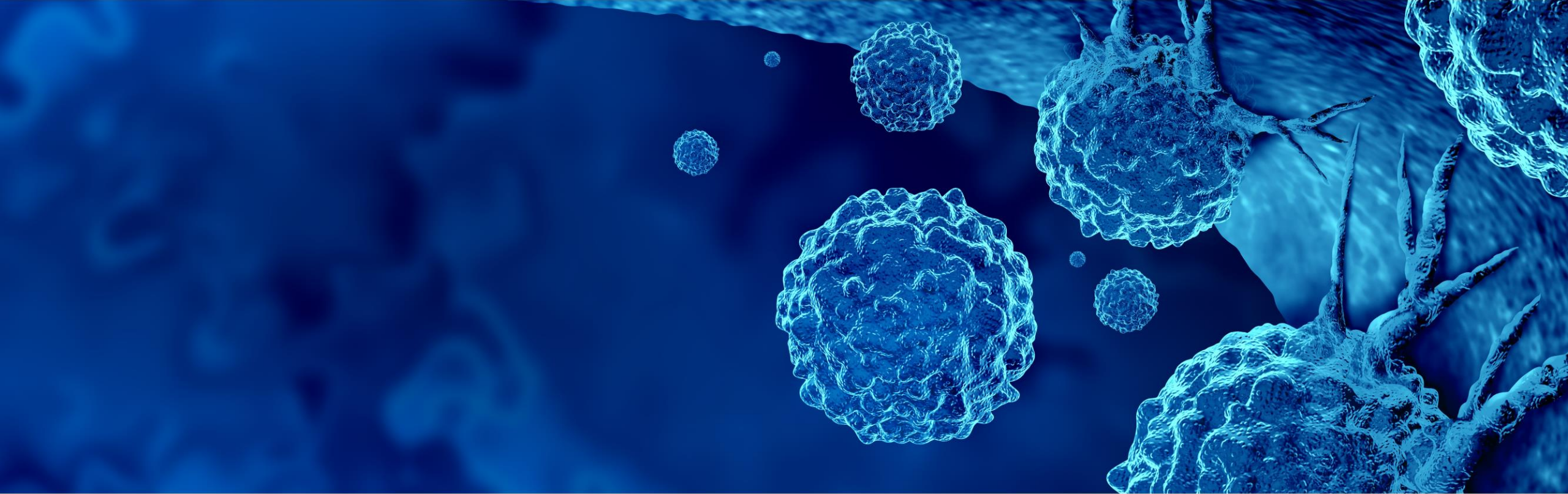
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- **Discuss** current and emerging immune checkpoint inhibitor (ICI) use in genitourinary cancer treatment alone and in combination regimens
- **Identify** challenges to and best practices for ICI use in genitourinary cancer treatment
- **Demonstrate** approaches to effectively recognize and manage immune-related adverse events of immunotherapies alone and in combination regimens for genitourinary cancer treatment



Urothelial Carcinoma (UC)

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Bladder Cancer: Background and Risk Factors

- 2021 statistics
 - ≈84,000 new cases
 - ≈17,200 deaths
- 6th most common cancer in the United States
 - 4th leading cancer diagnosis in men
 - 8th leading cause of cancer-related deaths in men
- Median age at diagnosis: 73 years
 - 90% are >55 years
- Risk factors
 - Smoking
 - Personal/family history of bladder cancer
 - Pelvic radiation
 - Chronic infection/irritation of urinary tract
 - Obesity
 - Diabetes
 - Sex/race (male/Caucasian)
- No screening recommendations

Siegel RL, et al. *Ca Cancer J Clin*. 2021;71(1):7-33; National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology. Bladder cancer, v3.2021.

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Bladder Cancer: Stages of Disease

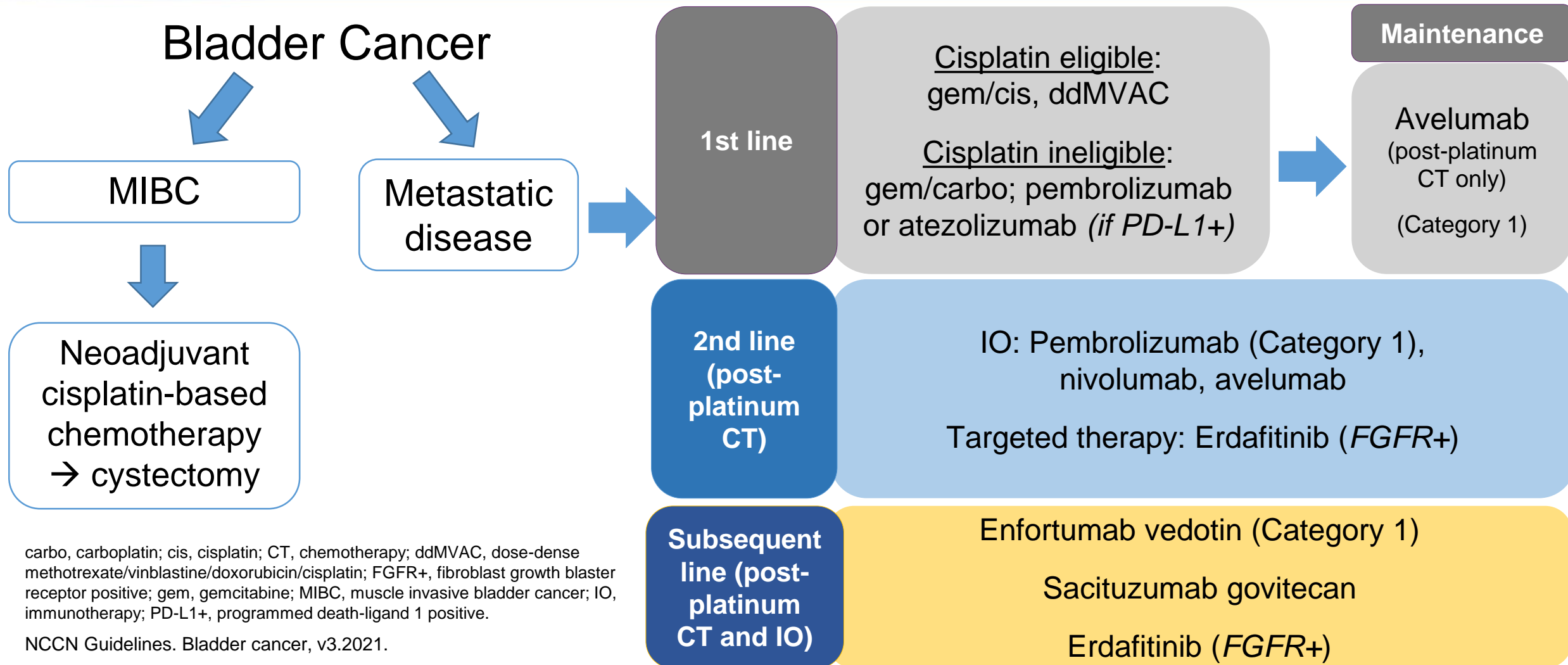
- Prognosis, management, and therapeutic goals vary by stage of disease
- 5-year overall survival (OS): 77%

Stage of Bladder Cancer	% at Diagnosis	5-year Survival
Non-muscle invasive (NMIBC)	50%-75%	96% Note: 31%-78% will experience recurrence/ new occurrence within 5 years
Muscle-invasive (MIBC) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Local invasion only- Lymph node involvement	25%-30%	69% 37%
Metastatic disease (MBC)	<5%	6%

American Cancer Society. *Cancer Facts & Figures 2021*. www.cancer.org/content/dam/cancer-org/research/cancer-facts-and-statistics/annual-cancer-facts-and-figures/2021/cancer-facts-and-figures-2021.pdf. Accessed March 31, 2021.

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Bladder Cancer: Current Systemic Treatment Options

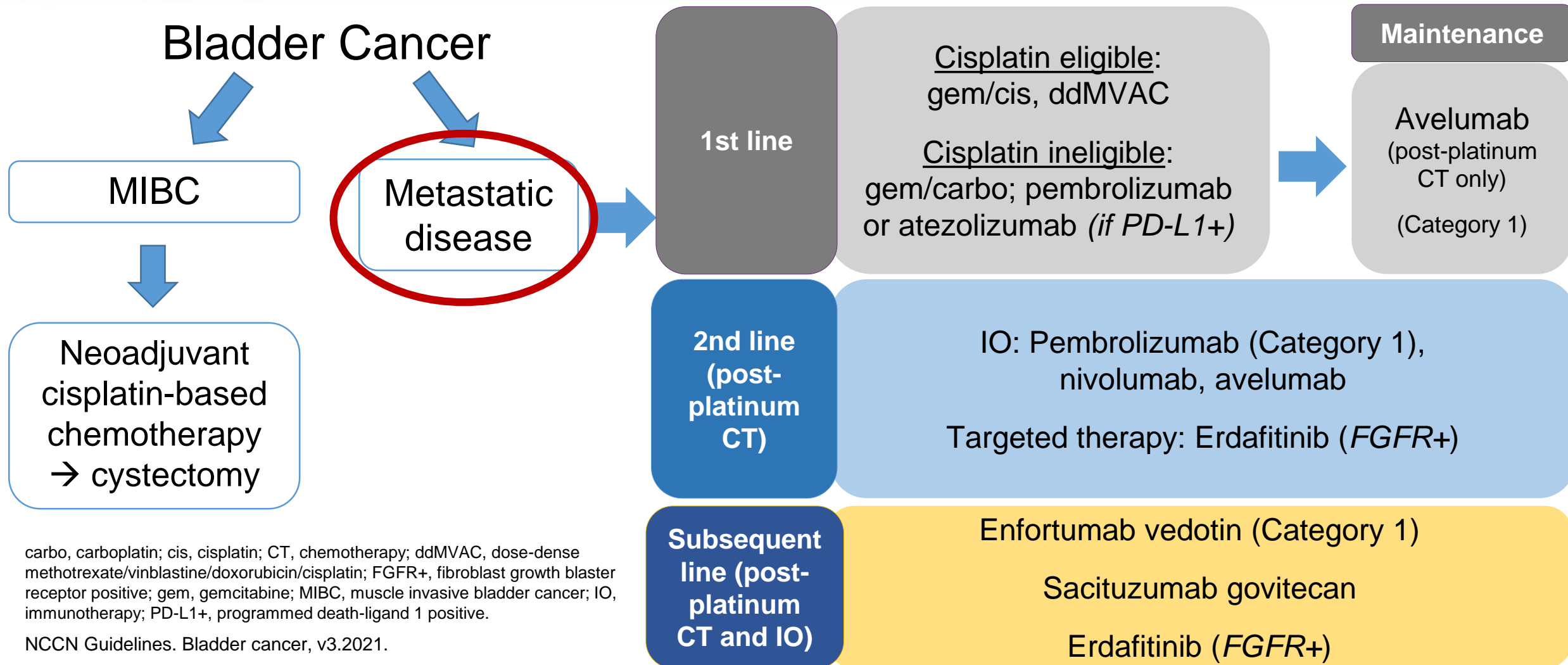


carbo, carboplatin; cis, cisplatin; CT, chemotherapy; ddMVAC, dose-dense methotrexate/vinblastine/doxorubicin/cisplatin; FGFR+, fibroblast growth blaster receptor positive; gem, gemcitabine; MIBC, muscle invasive bladder cancer; IO, immunotherapy; PD-L1+, programmed death-ligand 1 positive.

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Metastatic Bladder Cancer (MBC): First-line (1L) Platinum Chemotherapy

- **Cisplatin/platinum chemotherapy eligibility**
 - Renal function, performance status, ejection fraction, hearing loss, peripheral neuropathy
- Goals of therapy: prolonging life, maintaining/improving quality of life
- Platinum-based combination chemotherapy x 4-6 cycles
 - Median OS: 9-15 months
 - 5-year OS rate: 15%
 - Overall response rate (ORR): 40%-50%
- Choice of platinum: carboplatin vs cisplatin

Grossman HB, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2003;349(9):859-866; Choueiri TK, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2014;32(18):1889-1894; Plimack ER, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2014;32(18):1895-1901; Von der Maase H, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2000;18(17):3068-3077; NCCN Guidelines. Bladder cancer, v3.2021.

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MBC: 1L Maintenance Immunotherapy

- JAVELIN Bladder 100: phase 3, open-label trial
- N = 700
- Maintenance avelumab/BSC vs BSC
 - CR/PR/SD to platinum/gemcitabine x 4-6 cycles
- Avelumab 10 mg/kg IV D1 and D15 q28d until progression/unacceptable toxicity
 - Premeds for cycles 1-4: antihistamine + acetaminophen

Results	Avelumab vs BSC
Median OS (months) Overall PD-L1+	21.4 vs 14.3 NR vs 17.1
1-year OS rate (%) Overall PD-L1+	71.3 vs 58.4 79.1 vs 60.4
PFS (months) Overall PD-L1+	3.7 vs 2.0 5.7 vs 2.1

Bold, statistically significant; BSC, best supportive care; CR, complete response; IV, intravenous; NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; PD-L1+, programmed death-ligand 1 positive; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease.

Powles T, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2020;383(13):1218-1230.

MBC: 1L Immunotherapy

- Patient eligibility
 - Non-cisplatin chemotherapy candidate **and** PD-L1+
 - Non-platinum chemotherapy candidate
- PD-L1+
 - Pembrolizumab: CPS ≥ 10
 - Atezolizumab: IC2/3

Results	Pembrolizumab (phase 2; n = 370)	Atezolizumab (phase 2; n = 119)
ORR (%)		
Overall	28.6	24
PD-L1+	47.3	28
CR (%)		
Overall	8.9	8
PD-L1+	20.0	12.5
Median OS (months)		
Overall	11.3	16.3
PD-L1+	18.5	12.3
Median DoR (months)		
Overall	30.1	NR
PD-L1+	NR	NR

CPS, combined positive score; CR, complete response; DoR, duration of response; IC, tumor-infiltrating immune cell; NR, not reached; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival.

Balar AV, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2017;18(11):1483-1492; Vuky J, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2020;38(23):2658-2666; Balar AV, et al. *Lancet*. 2017;389(10064):67-76; ASCO 2018. www.urotoday.com/conference-highlights/asco-2018/asco-2018-bladder-cancer/104854-asco-2018-atezolizumab-in-first-line-cisplatin-ineligible-or-platinum-treated-locally-advanced-or-metastatic-urothelial-cancer-long-term-efficacy-from-phase-2-study-imvigor210.html. Accessed March 31, 2021.

Recent FDA News (Withdrawals)

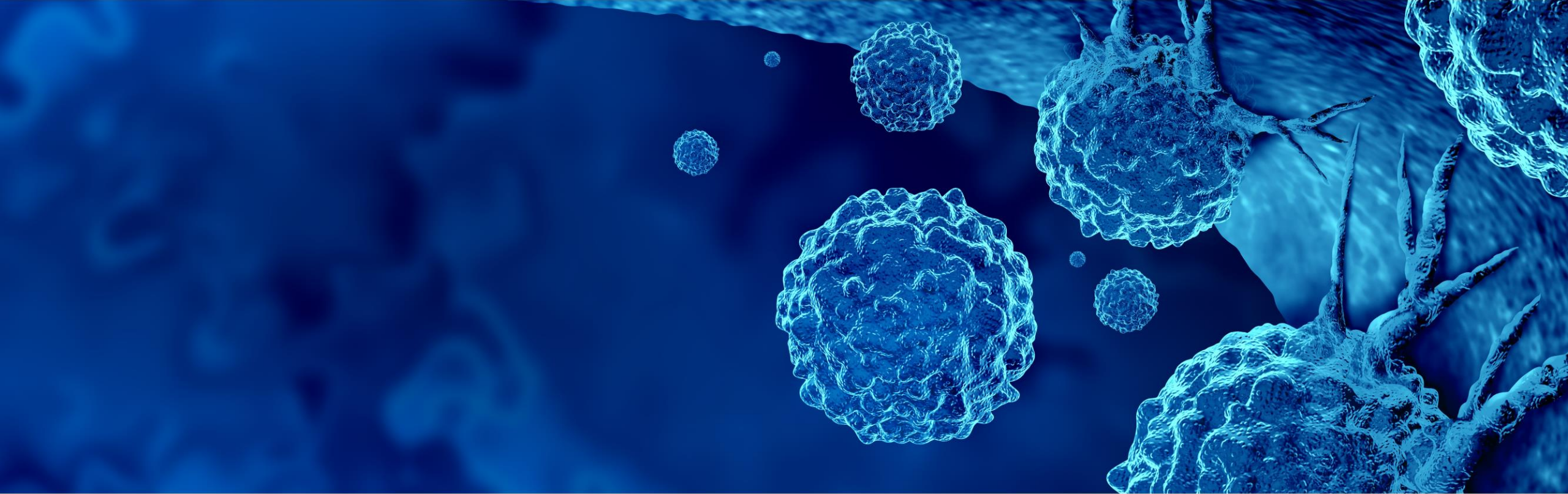
Agent	Indication
Atezolizumab Durvalumab	Locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma (UC) with disease progression during or following platinum-based chemotherapy or within 12 months of neoadjuvant or adjuvant platinum-containing chemotherapy

FDA in Brief. March 11, 2021. www.fda.gov/news-events/fda-brief/fda-brief-fda-oncologic-drugs-advisory-committee-review-status-six-indications-granted-accelerated. Accessed March 29, 2021.

MBC: ≥2L Immunotherapy

Results	Pembrolizumab vs Chemo (phase 3; n = 270 vs 272)	Nivolumab (phase 2; n = 265)	Avelumab (phase 1; n = 161)
OS (months)			
- Overall	10.1 (vs 7.3)	8.74	6.5
- PD-L1+	8.0 (vs 4.0)	11.30	8.2
PFS (months)			
- Overall	2.1 (vs 3.3)	2.00	1.5
- PD-L1+	No difference		2.9
ORR (%)			
- Overall	21.1 (vs 11.4)	19.6	17
- PD-L1+	20.3 (vs 6.7)	23.8	24
CR rate (%)			
- Overall	9.3 (vs 2.9)	2	6
- PD-L1+			10

Bellmut J, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2017;376(11):1015-1026; Fradet Y, et al. *Ann Oncol*. 2019;30(6):970-976; Sharma P, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2017;18(3):312-322; Patel MR, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2018;19(1):51-64.



Select Ongoing Trials in UC

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Advanced Disease Treatment Algorithm

Metastatic Disease State	Setting	Preferred Option	Standard Options
No prior chemotherapy	Cisplatin eligible	Cisplatin/gemcitabine followed by avelumab maintenance	Cisplatin-based combination chemotherapy followed by avelumab maintenance
No prior chemotherapy	Cisplatin ineligible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gemcitabine/carboplatin ▪ PD-L1–low tumors in fit patients: Gemcitabine/carboplatin followed by avelumab maintenance 	Gemcitabine/carboplatin followed by avelumab maintenance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pembrolizumab ▪ Atezolizumab ▪ Single-agent chemotherapy
Prior platinum chemotherapy or relapse within 1 year of perioperative cisplatin-based therapy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pembrolizumab OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If <i>FGFR2/3</i> alterations present: Erdafitinib 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Atezolizumab ▪ Avelumab ▪ Nivolumab
Prior chemotherapy and immunotherapy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Enfortumab vedotin OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If <i>FGFR2/3</i> alterations present: Erdafitinib 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Taxane (US) ▪ Vinflunine (EU)

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No prior chemotherapy	Cisplatin	▪ Gemcitabine/carboplatin	Gemcitabine/carboplatin followed

Clinical trials are critical throughout disease spectrum and treatment settings!

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OR
▪ If *FGFR2/3* alterations present:
Erdafitinib

- Avelumab
- Nivolumab

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Adjuvant PD-1/PD-L1 Inhibitor Phase 3 Trials in UC

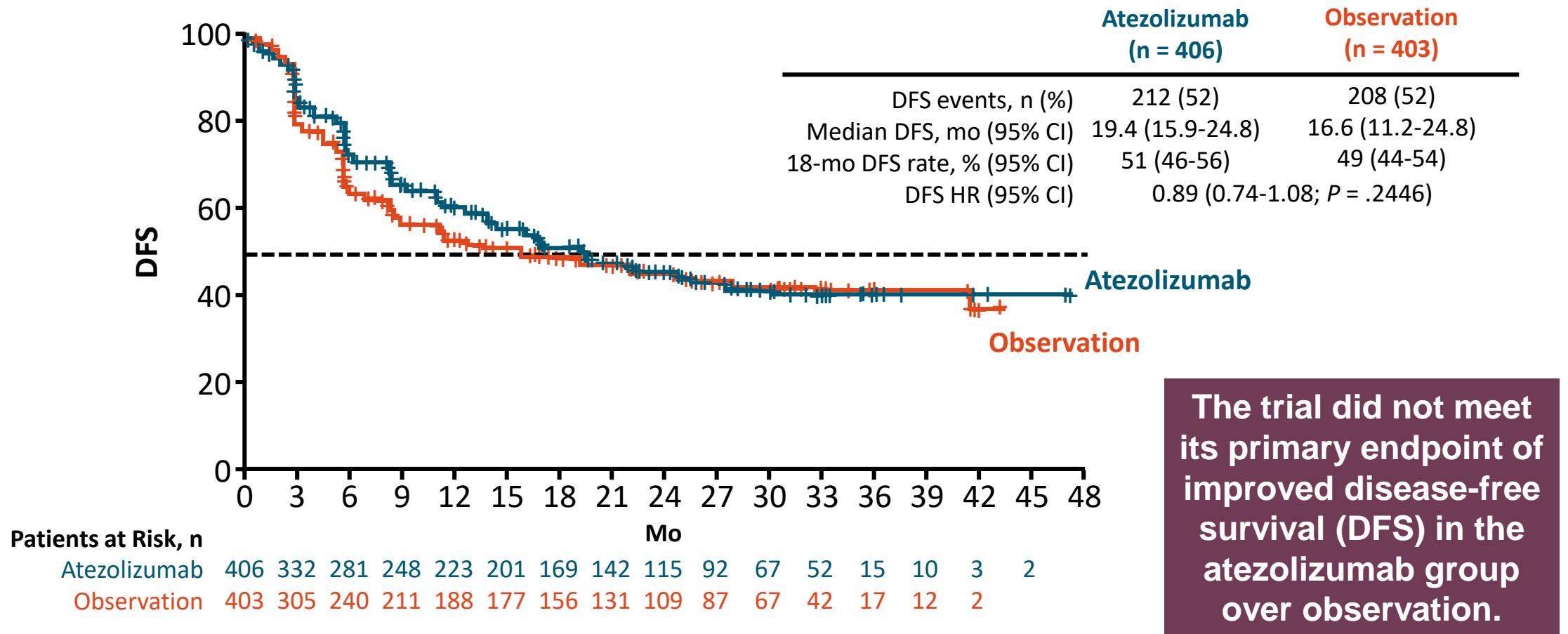
Trial	Population	Control Arm	Experimental Arm	Primary Endpoint
IMvigor010	All-comers MIBC Prior NAC: \geq pT2 No AC: \geq pT3	No therapy	Atezolizumab	DFS
CheckMate 274	All-comers MIBC Prior NAC: \geq pT2 No AC: \geq pT3	Placebo	Nivolumab	DFS
AMBASSADOR	All-comers MIBC Prior NAC: \geq pT2 No AC: \geq pT3	No therapy	Pembrolizumab	DFS/OS

AC, adjuvant chemotherapy; DFS, disease-free survival; MIBC, muscle-invasive bladder cancer; NAC, neoadjuvant chemotherapy; pT, primary tumor; OS, overall survival.

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02450331. Updated January 11, 2021. Accessed March 31, 2021.
 ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02632409. Updated September 10, 2020. Accessed March 31, 2021.
 ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT03244384. Updated March 26, 2021. Accessed March 31, 2021.

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IMvigor010: Atezolizumab vs Observation Adjuvant Therapy



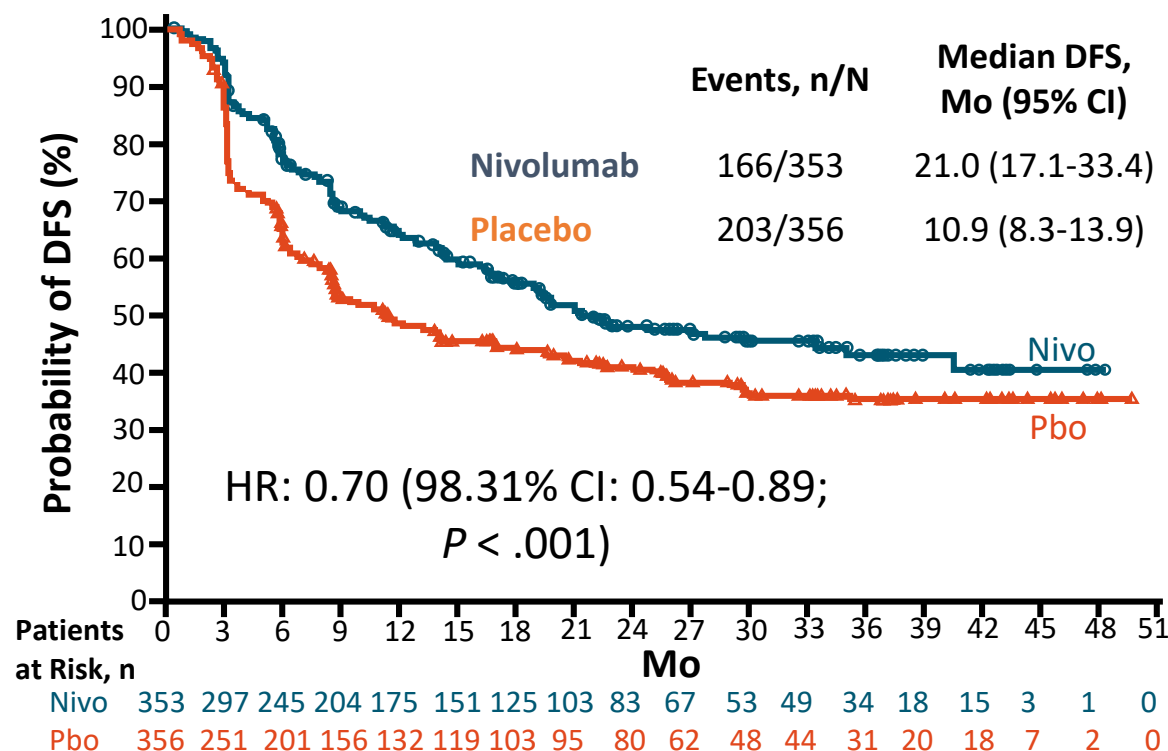
CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio.

Bellmunt J, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2021;22(4):525-537.

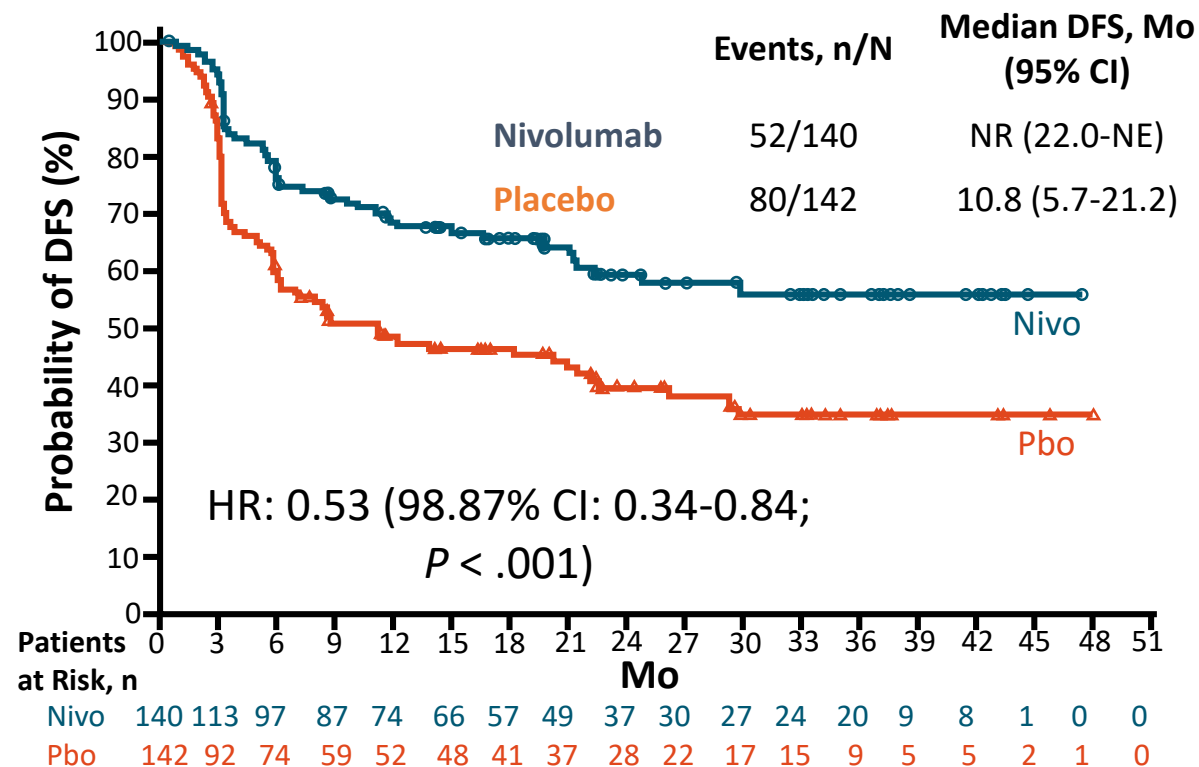
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CheckMate 274: DFS With Adjuvant Nivolumab vs Placebo for High-Risk MIBC

Intention-to-Treat (ITT)



PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$



Bajorin DF, et al. ASCO Genitourinary (GU) Cancers Symposium 2021. Abstract 391.

Phase 1b/2 EV-103 Trial: First-Line Pembrolizumab/Enfortumab Vedotin

Best Overall Response	All Patients (N = 45)
Confirmed ORR, n (%) (95% CI)	33 (73.3) (58.1-85.4)
▪ CR, n (%)	7 (15.6)
▪ PR, n (%)	26 (57.8)
Stable disease (SD), n (%)	9 (20.0)
Progressive disease (PD), n (%)	1 (2.2)
ORR in patients with liver metastasis, n/N (%)	8/15 (53.3)
ORR by PD-L1 status, n/N (%)	
▪ High expression	11/14 (78.6)
▪ Low expression	12/19 (63.2)

- Treatment-naïve patients with locally advanced/metastatic UC, not eligible for cisplatin-based therapy, regardless of PD-L1 expression levels
 - High RR regardless of PD-L1 expression (ORR, 73.3%)
 - Median PFS: 12.3 months (95% CI, 7.98-NR)
 - 12-month OS rate: 81.6%
- Safety profile for combination therapy as expected with no new safety signal

Breakthrough Therapy Designation granted

- **Future (phase 3 EV-302):** Enfortumab vedotin + pembrolizumab ± platinum-based chemotherapy vs platinum-based chemotherapy
 - Trial is currently recruiting

Rosenberg JE, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2020;38(suppl 6):Abstract 441; ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT04223856. Updated March 26, 2021. Accessed June 15, 2021.

CheckMate 032: Nivolumab vs Nivolumab/Ipilimumab

- Multicenter, international, open-label, randomized phase 1/2 trial
- Locally advanced or metastatic UC; PD within 1 year of ≥ 1 platinum agent or not chemotherapy candidate
- ECOG PS 0/1; brain metastases and autoimmune disease not allowed

	ORR Nivo 3 mg/kg	ORR Nivo 1 mg/kg + Ipi 3 mg/kg
Overall	20.5% (12.2-31.2)	37% (27.1-47.7)
PD-L1 <1%	20.9% (10-36)	21.4% (10.3-36.8)
PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$	19.2% (6.6-39.4)	54.8% (36-72.7)

ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status.

Sharma P, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2019;37(19):1608-1616.

COSMIC-021: Nivolumab and Cabozantinib

- Ongoing, multicenter, single-arm phase 1b study
- Locally advanced or metastatic UC with transitional cell histology, radiographic evidence of progression on/after platinum-containing chemotherapy
- ECOG PS 0/1, and no prior immune checkpoint inhibitors or cabozantinib
- Cabozantinib 40 mg PO once daily PO + atezolizumab 1200 mg IV q3w
- Median PFS: 5.4 months (95% CI, 1.5-7.6)
- Reduction in target lesion size observed in 16 patients (53%)
- No association between PD-L1 expression and tumor response based on preliminary data

Investigator-Assessed Tumor Response (RECIST v1.1 Criteria)	UC Cohort 2 (N = 30)
ORR, % (80% CI)	27 (16-40)
Best overall response, n (%) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ CR▪ PR▪ SD▪ PD▪ Missing	2 (6.7) 6 (20) 11 (37) 7 (23) 4 (13)
DCR (CR + PR + SD), n (%)	19 (63)
Median DoR, months (range)	NR (1.4+ to 15.6+)
Median time to objective response, months (range)	3 (1-6)

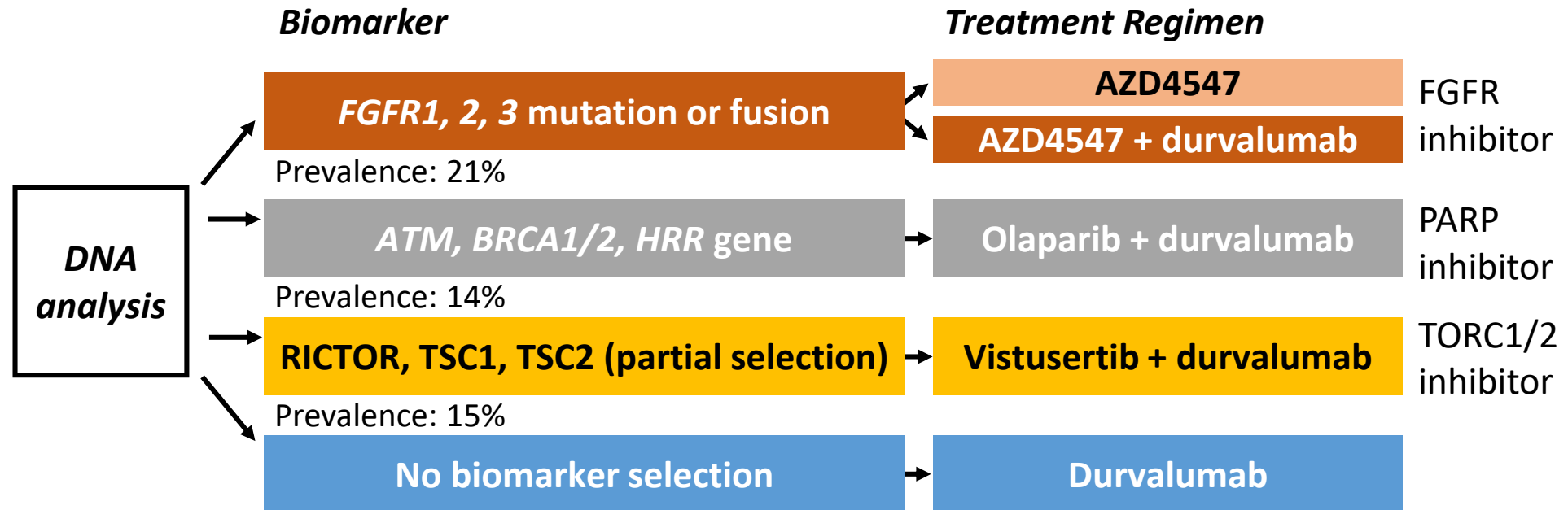
DCR, disease control rate.

Pal SK, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2020;38(suppl 15):Abstract 5013.

BISCAY: Biomarker-Directed, Randomized Trial

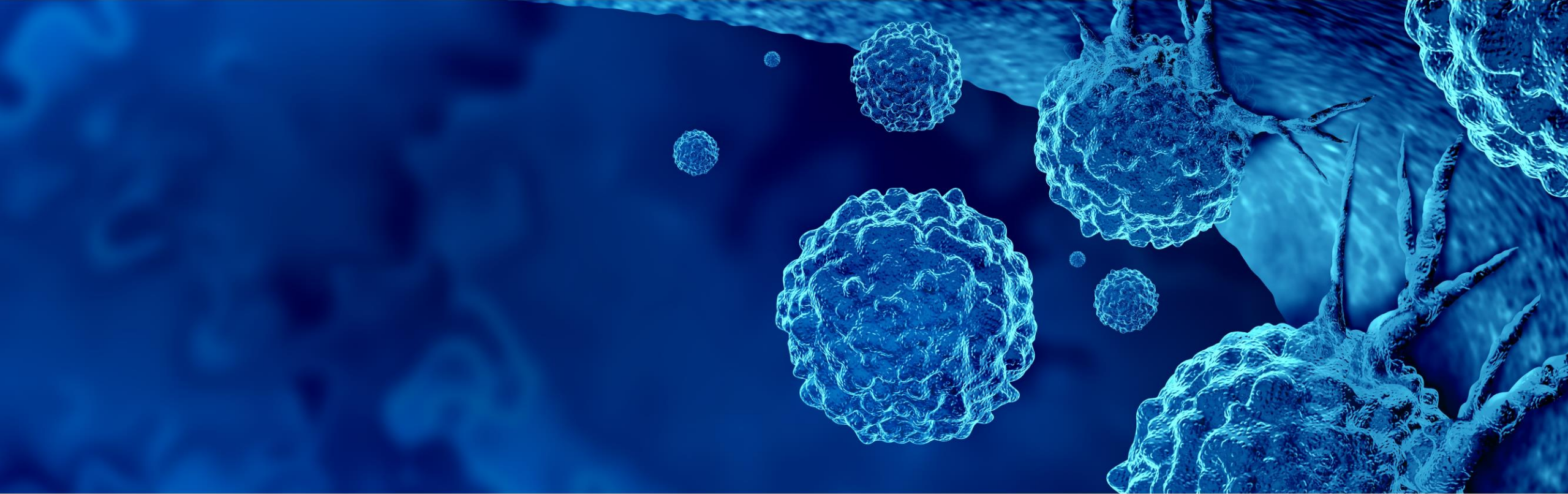
- Open-label, randomized, biomarker-directed, multi-arm, phase 1b trial

Patients with mUC and
≥1 previous line of
platinum-based CT for
mUC or PD <1 year of
perioperative platinum-
based CT; WHO PS 0/1;
archived tissue for
biomarker assessment
(N = 108)



- Primary endpoint: safety and tolerability
- Secondary endpoints: efficacy (ORR, DCR, PFS, DoR, OS) of durvalumab alone or in combination; immunogenicity of durvalumab; pharmacokinetics

Powles TB, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2019;30(suppl 5):Abstract 902O.

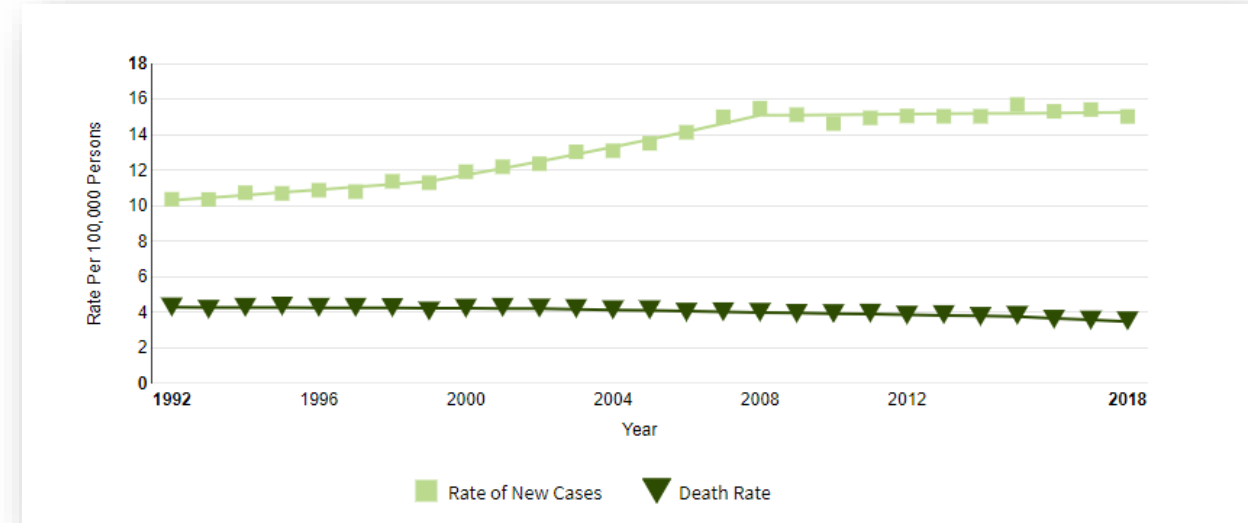


Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC)

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Kidney Cancer Overview

- **Incidence:** 76,080 new cases and 13,780 deaths in 2021
 - Eighth most common: 4% of new cases and 2.3% of deaths
 - Diagnosis median age: 64 years
 - Death median age: 71 years
 - Males > females (~2:1)
- **Types:** 85% renal cell carcinoma (RCC) and 70% clear cell histology
 - Other types: papillary, chromophobe, translocation, Bellini (collecting) duct tumors, medullary renal carcinoma
- **Risk Factors:** Smoking, obesity, hypertension, hereditary factors (von Hippel-Lindau disease)

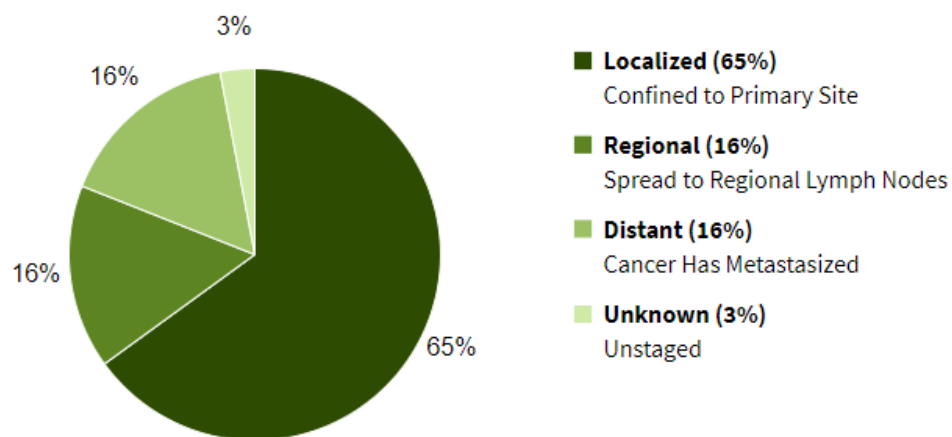


Incidence rates rising but death rates falling
on average 0.9% each year over 2011-2017
5-year OS = 75.6%

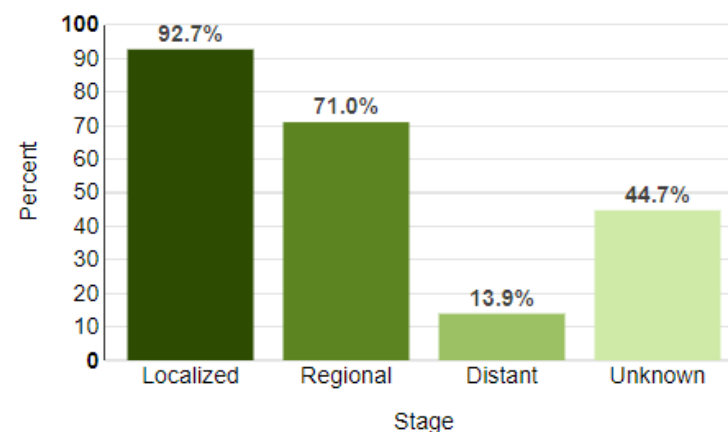
Survival by Stage of Disease

- **Prognostic determinants of 5-year survival:** tumor stage, grade, local extent of the tumor, presence of regional nodal metastases, and metastases at presentation
 - Primarily metastasizes to the lung, bone, liver, lymph nodes, adrenal gland, and brain

Percent of Cases by Stage



5-Year Relative Survival

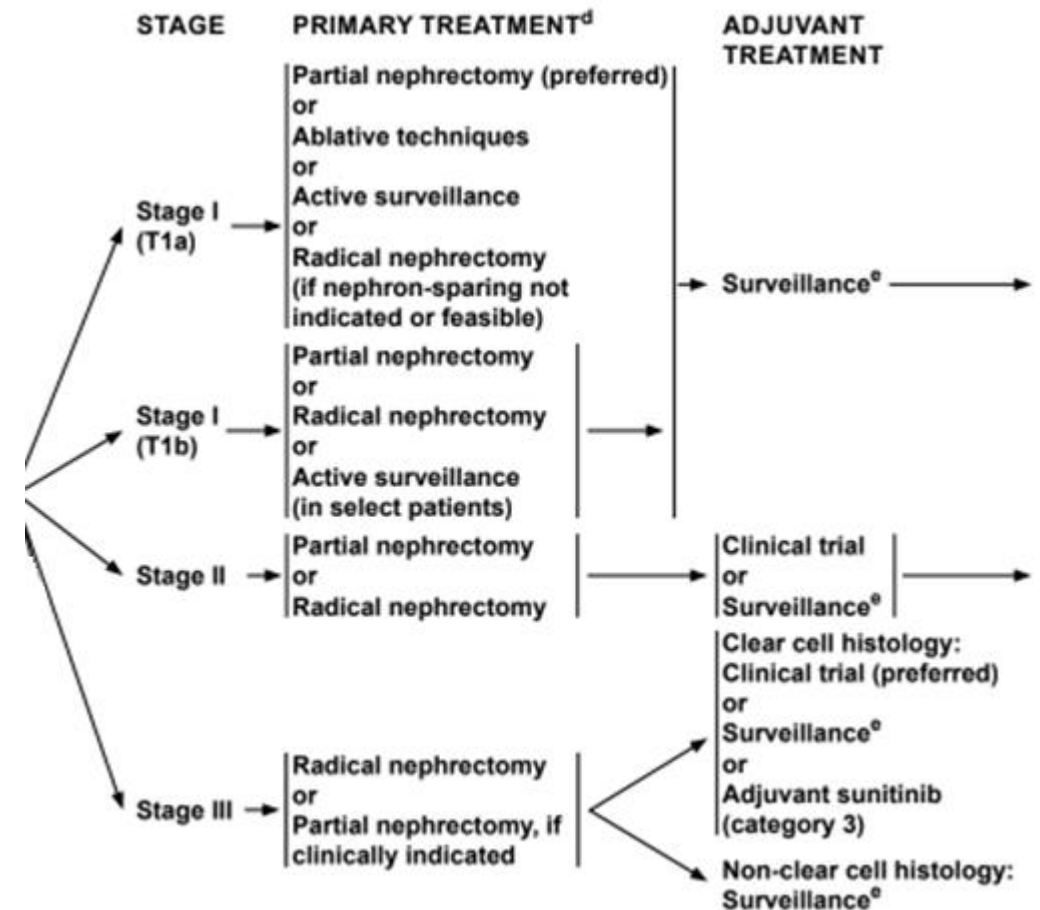


SEER Cancer Stat Facts. Kidney and renal pelvis cancer. <https://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/kidrp.html>. Accessed June 15, 2021; NCCN Guidelines. Kidney cancer, v4.2021.

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Treatment of Stages I-III Disease

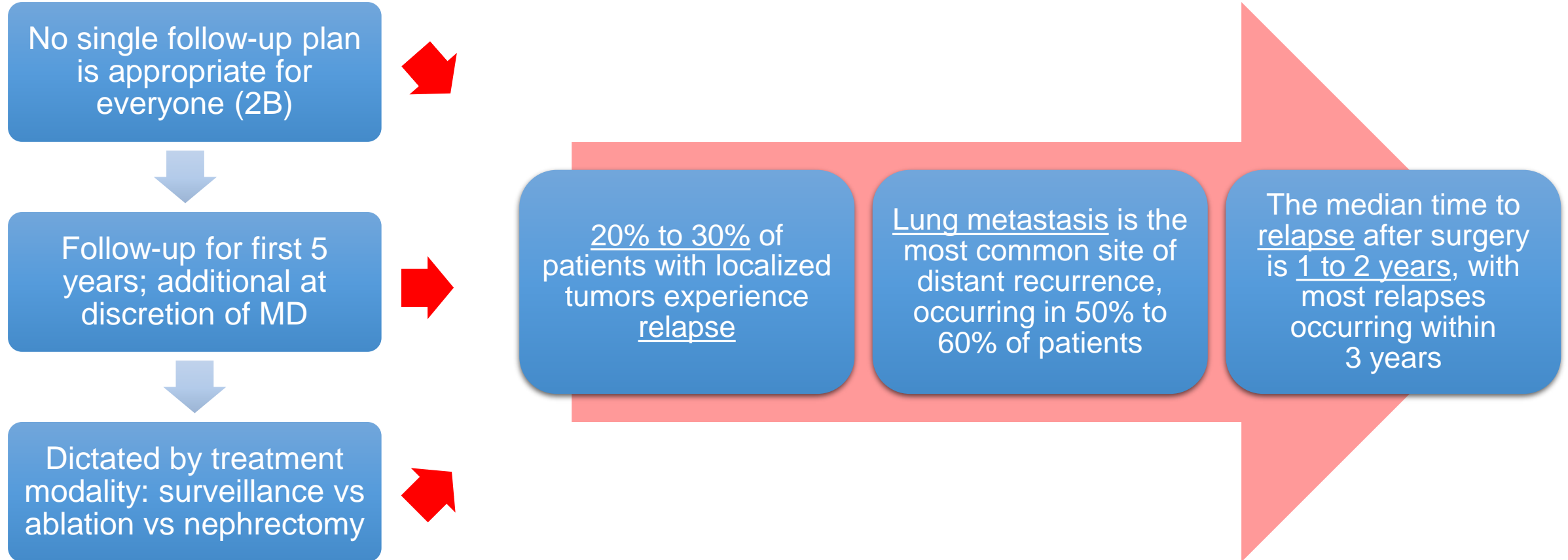
- **Partial nephrectomy** most appropriate in small unilateral tumors or to preserve renal function
 - Similar outcomes in T1a and T1b tumors
 - Generally, not suitable for locally advanced disease
- **Radical nephrectomy** is curative for stages II and III
 - Sunitinib as adjuvant treatment for clear cell, high-risk localized RCC (3)
 - ASSURE: no DFS or OS benefit
 - S-TRAC: longer median DFS vs placebo (6.8 years vs 5.6 years; $P = .03$)



NCCN Guidelines. Kidney cancer, v4.2021; Simmons MN, et al. *Urology*. 2009;73(5):1077-1082; Peycelon M, et al. *J Urol*. 2009;181(1):35-41; Haas NB, et al. *Lancet*. 2016;387(10032):2008-2016; Ravaud A, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2016;375(23):2246-2254.

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Overview of Stage IV Disease



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Prognostic Criteria

Prognostic Factor Model (MSKCC)

KPS <80%

LDH > 1.5 x ULN

Corrected calcium > ULN

Hemoglobin < LLN

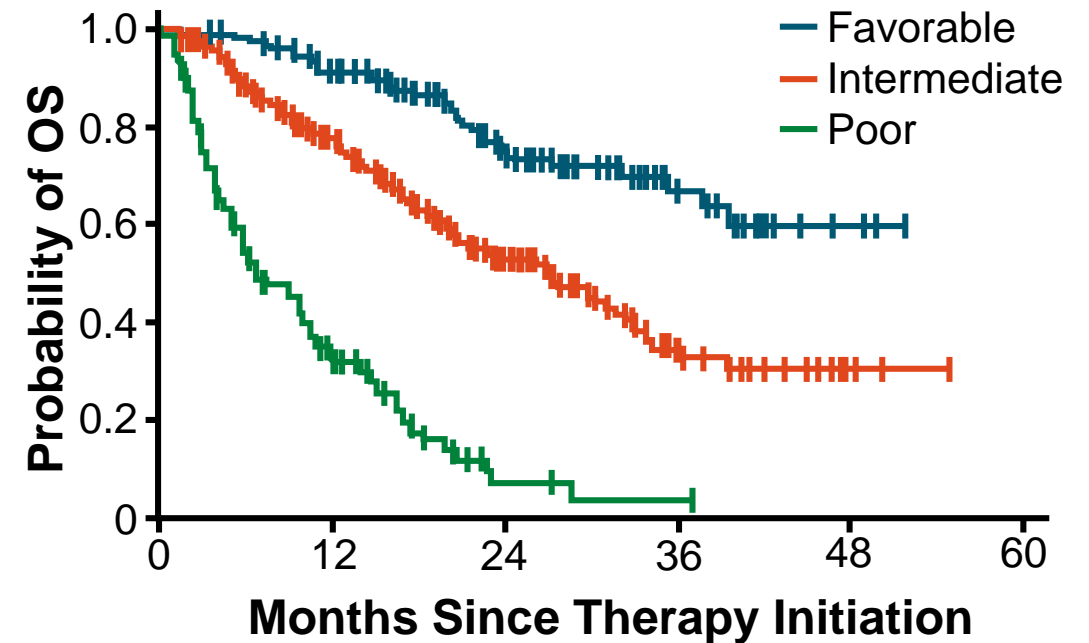
No factors:
low risk, good prognosis

1 to 2 factors:
intermediate risk

≥3 factors:
poor risk

- The MSKCC criteria have been additionally validated by an independent group at the **Cleveland Clinic**
- **IMDC (Heng) Prognostic Criteria** incorporates neutrophil and platelet count > ULN

IMDC, International Metastatic RCC Database Consortium; KPS, Karnofsky performance status; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; LLN, lower limit of normal; MSKCC, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center; ULN, upper limit of normal.



No. of Events/No. at Risk					
Favorable	11/133	16/110	4/62	2/22	0/3
Intermediate	61/301	50/182	17/82	2/18	0/3
Poor	94/152	19/36	1/3	0/1	0/0

Heng DY, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2009;27(34):5794-5799;
Mekhail TM, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2005;23(4):832-841.

Treatment of Stage IV Disease

FIRST-LINE THERAPY FOR CLEAR CELL HISTOLOGY*

Risk	Preferred	Other Recommended	Useful Under Certain Circumstances
Favorable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Axitinib + pembrolizumab Cabozantinib + nivolumab (1) Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab (1) Pazopanib Sunitinib 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ipilimumab + nivolumab Cabozantinib (2B) Axitinib + avelumab 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active surveillance Axitinib (2B) High-dose IL-2
Poor/ Intermediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ipilimumab + nivolumab (1) Axitinib + pembrolizumab (1) Cabozantinib + nivolumab (1) Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab (1) Cabozantinib 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pazopanib Sunitinib Axitinib + avelumab 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Axitinib (2B) High-dose IL-2 Temsirolimus

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


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Treatment of Stage IV Disease

FIRST-LINE THERAPY FOR CLEAR CELL HISTOLOGY*

Risk	Preferred	Other Recommended	Useful Under Certain Circumstances
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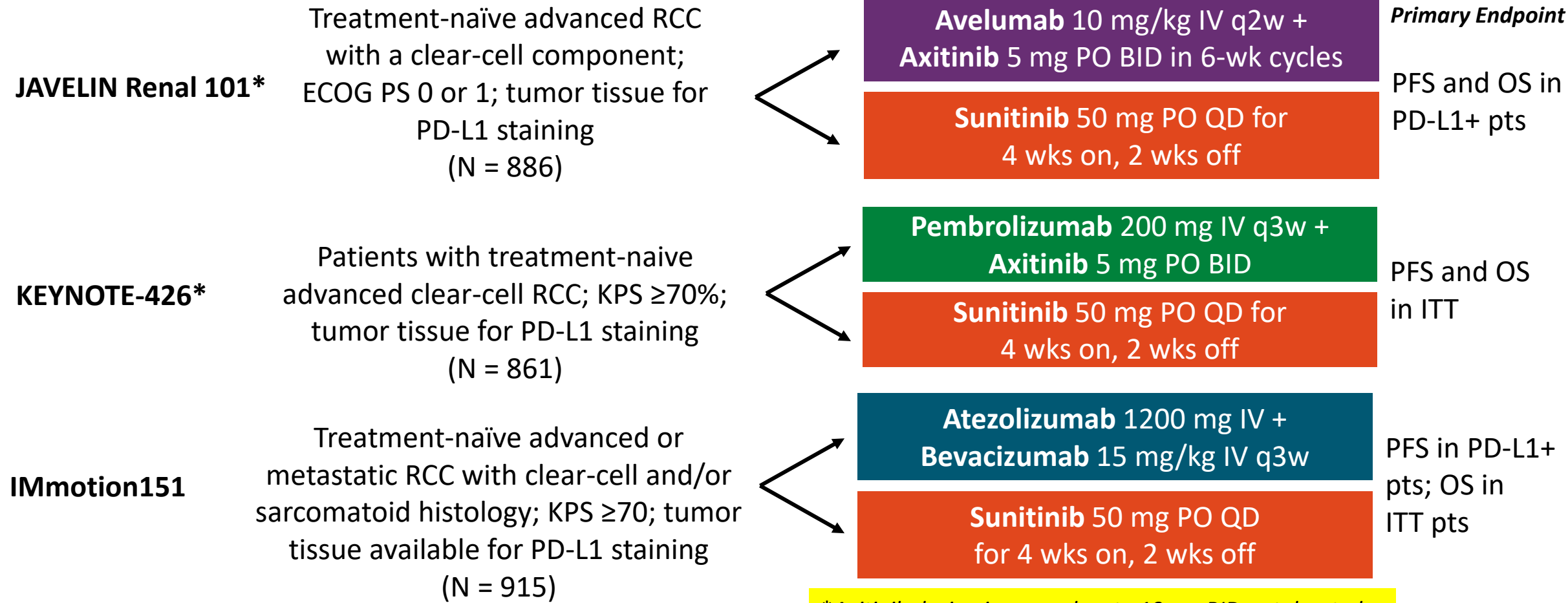
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Notable Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor (ICI) Combination Trials

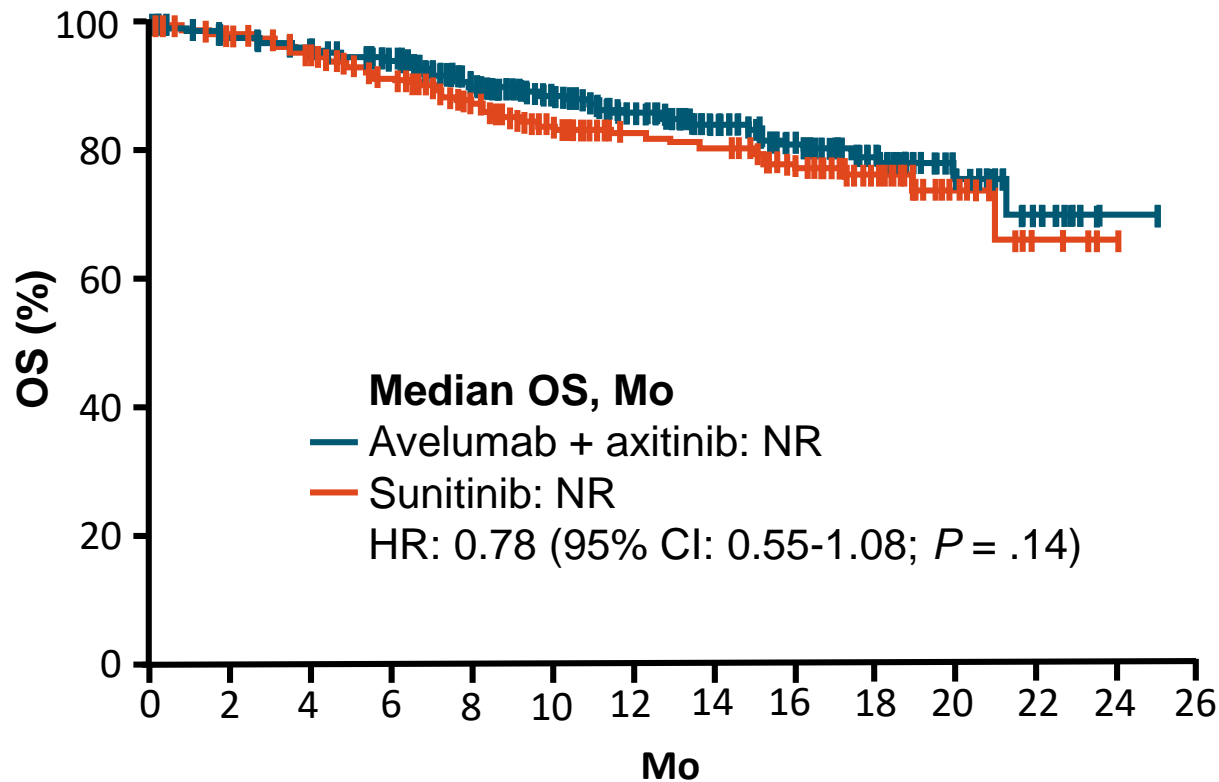


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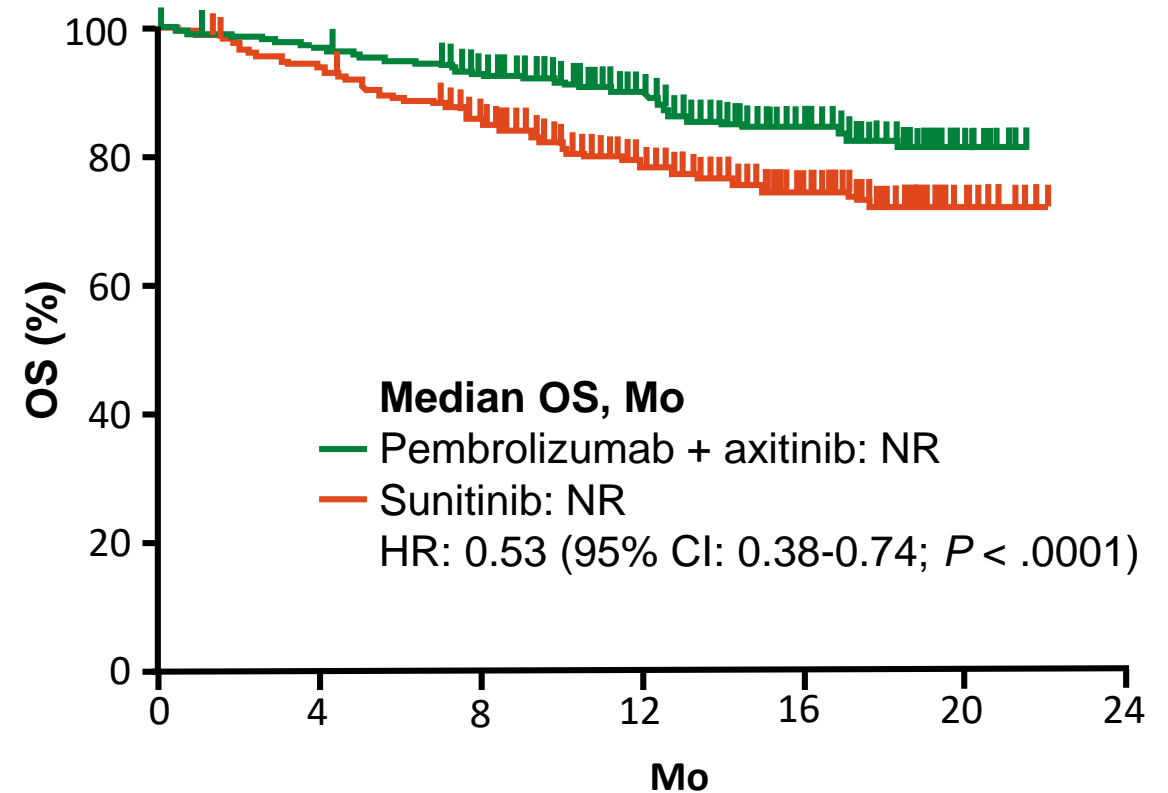
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Key Takeaway: AvelAxi vs PemAxi

JAVELIN Renal 101: OS in Overall Population



KEYNOTE-426: OS in Overall Population

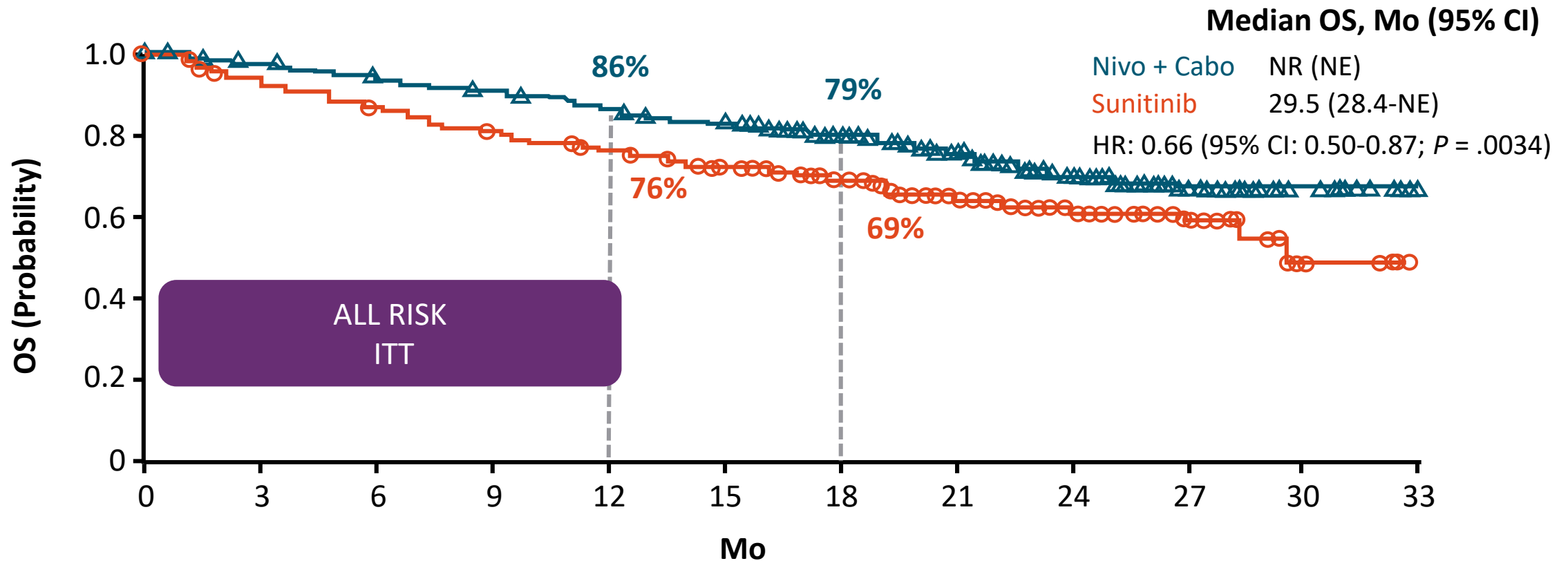


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1L Nivolumab + Cabozantinib vs Sunitinib in Advanced or Metastatic RCC



Patients at Risk, n

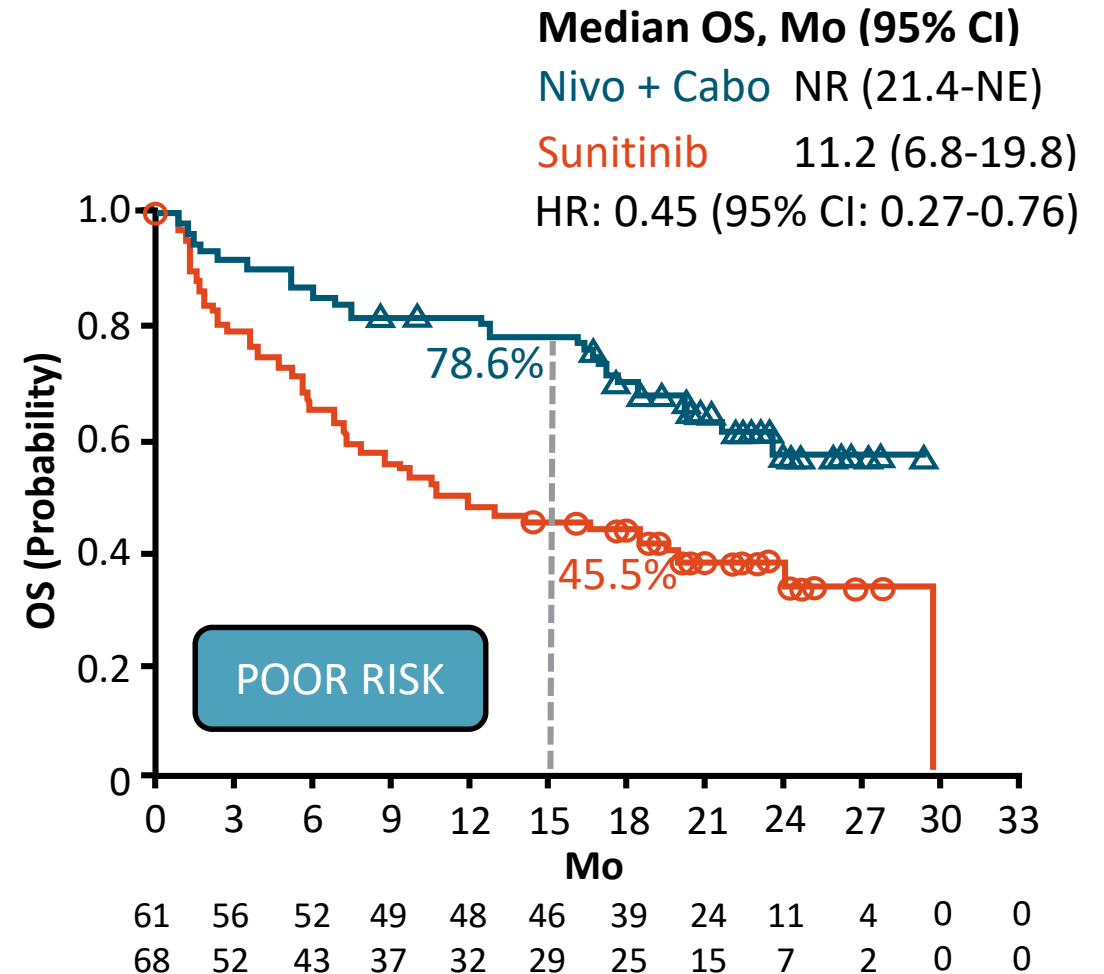
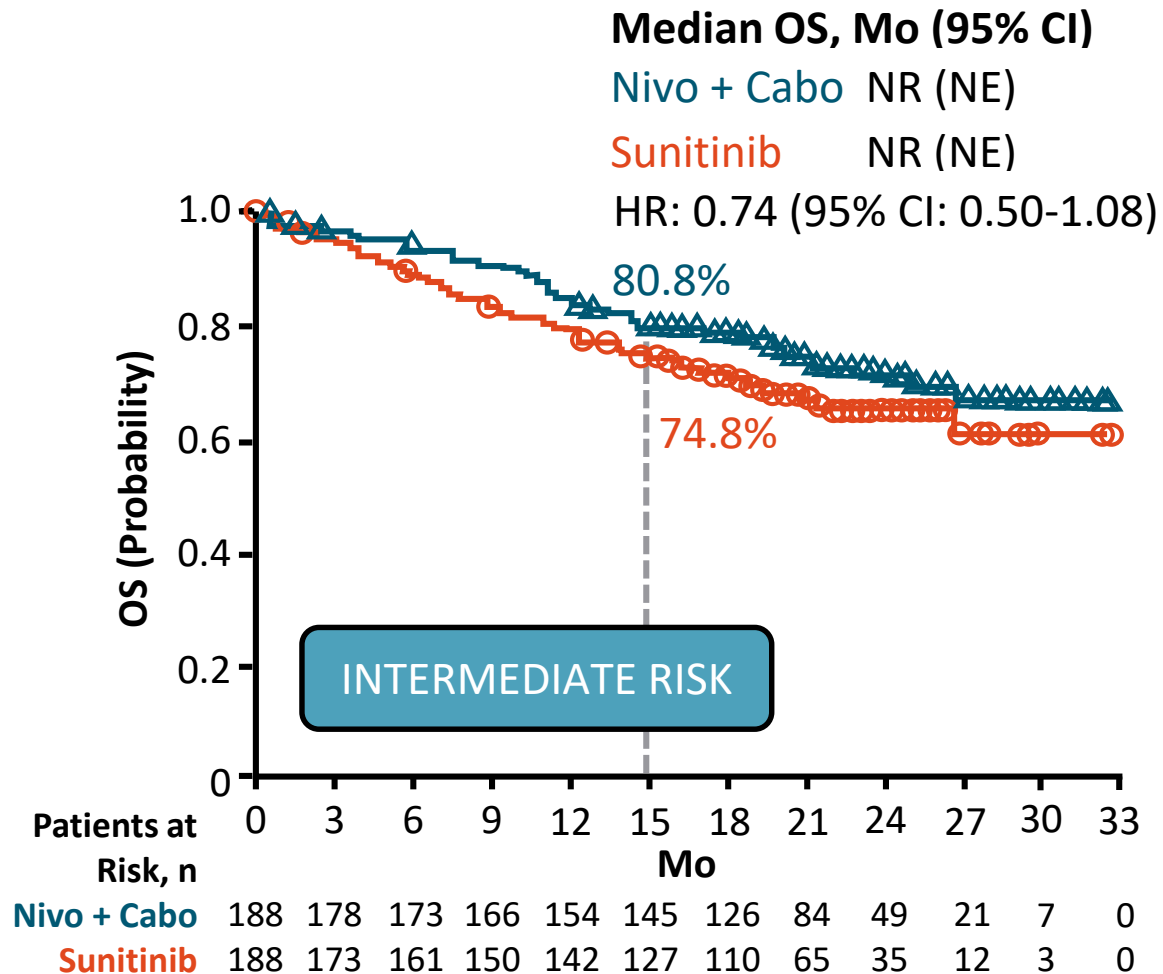
Nivo + Cabo	323	308	295	283	269	255	220	147	84	40	10	0
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NE, not estimable.

Motzer RJ. ASCO GU 2021. Abstract 308.

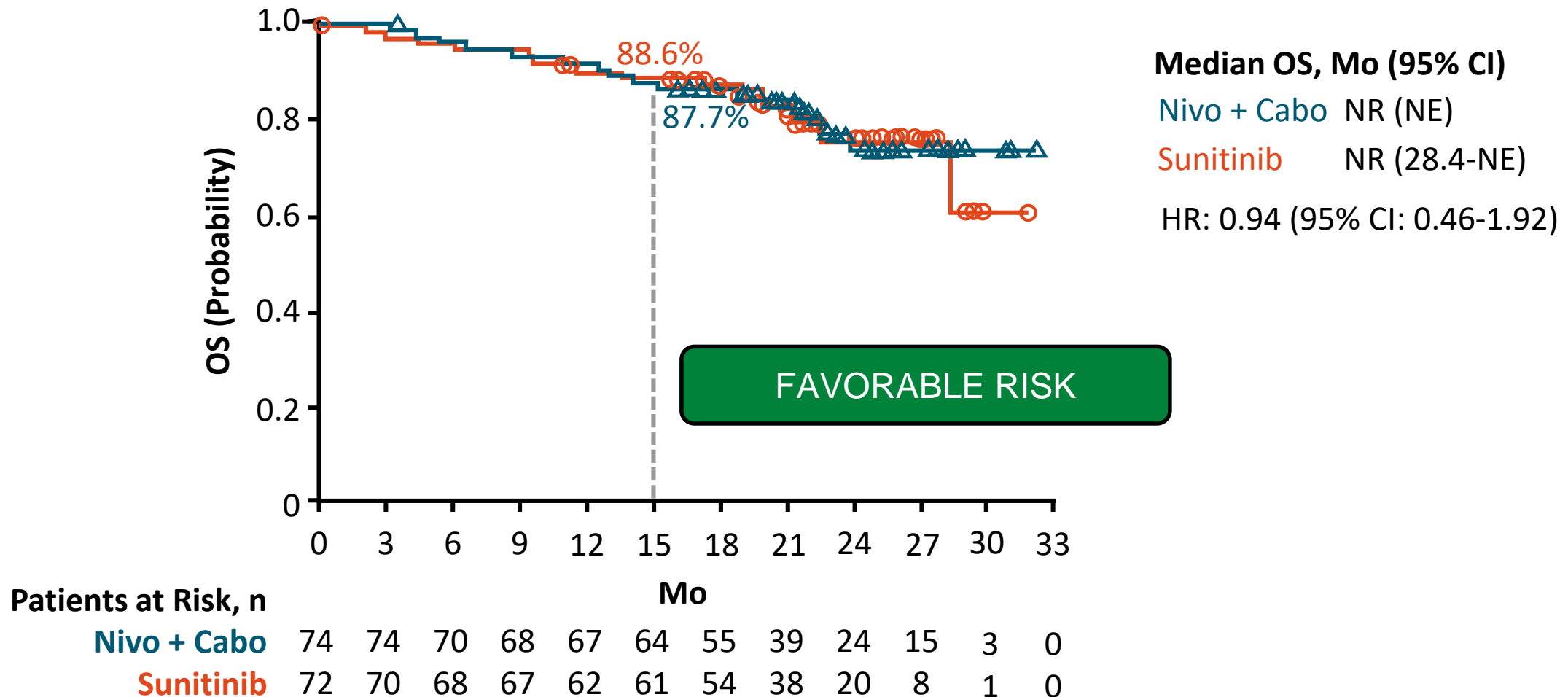
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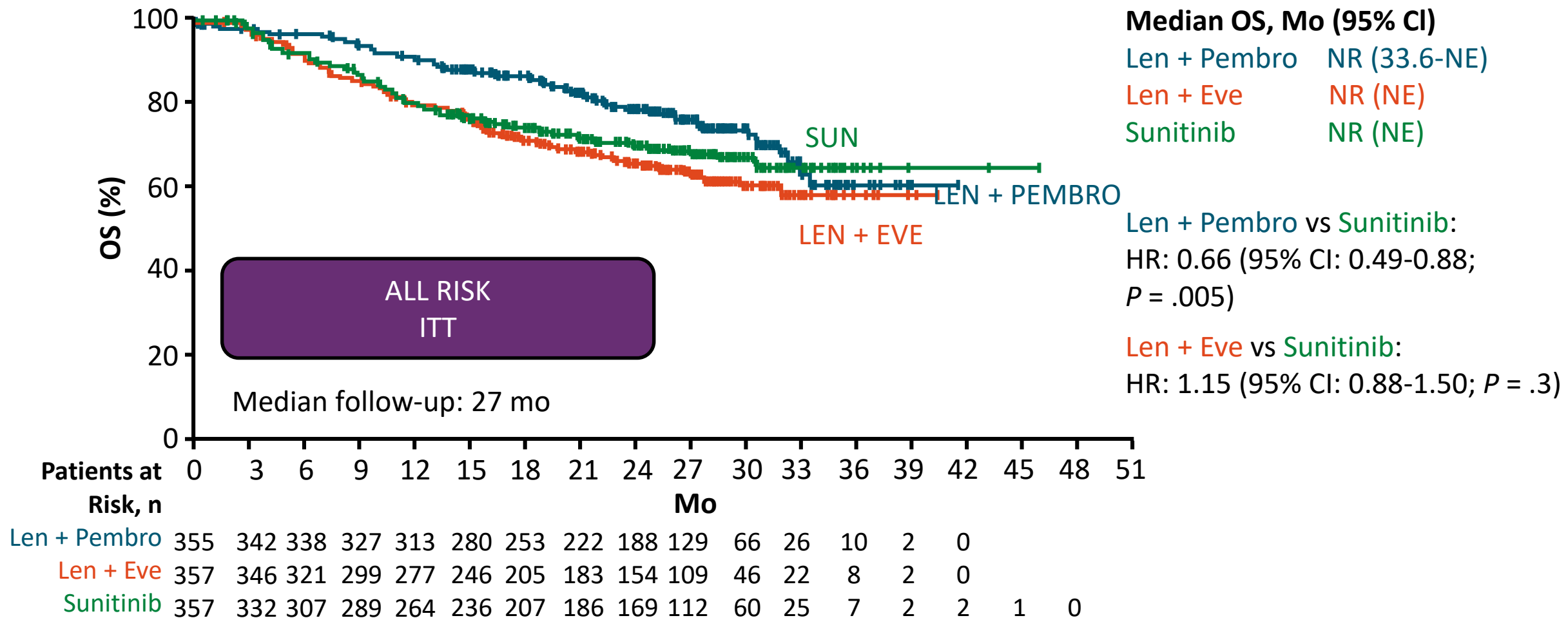
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1L Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab or Everolimus vs Sunitinib in Advanced RCC



Motzer RJ, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2021;384(14):1289-1300.

1L: Efficacy of Ipilimumab + Nivolumab

CheckMate 214		N = 1096
<i>Randomized, open-label, phase 3 trial; 423 and 416 patients had intermediate or poor risk, respectively</i>		
Arms	Ipi/Nivo → Nivo (n = 547) vs sunitinib (n = 535)*	
18-month OS rate (ITT)	75% (95% CI, 70-78) vs 60% (95% CI, 55-65)	
Favorable-Risk Group	88% vs 93%	
Median PFS	11.6 mo vs 8.4 mo; HR 0.82; $P = .03$ (prespecified 0.009)	
Favorable-Risk Group	15.3 mo and 25.1 mo; HR, 2.18; 99.1% CI, 1.29-3.68; $P < .001$	
ORR (ITT)	42% vs 27%, $P < 0.001$	
Favorable-Risk Group	29% and 52%; $P < 0.001$	

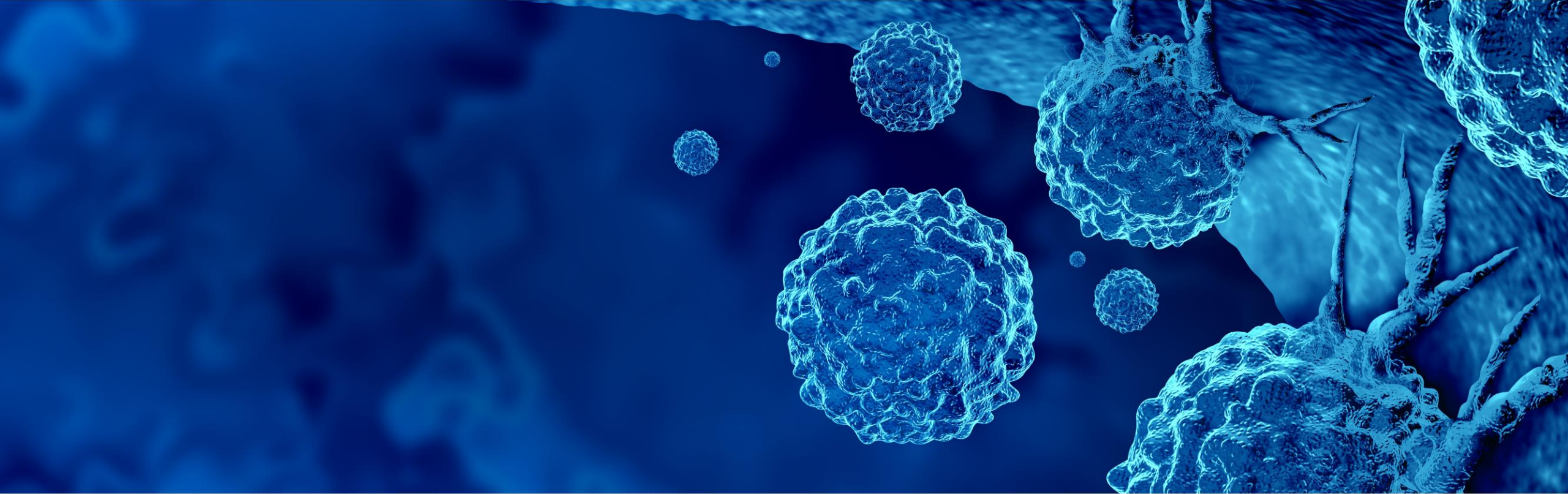
*Note that 1082 patients received treatment.

Motzer RJ, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2018;378(14):1277-1290.

Sequencing of Treatment in mRCC

- **First line:** therapeutic landscape rapidly evolving with approval of ipilimumab + nivolumab and VEGF TKIs + IO
- **Second line:** guided by strength of evidence, toxicity profile, comorbidities, patient and physician preference, and financial concerns
- With multitude of possible therapeutic sequences, a definitive resolution is unlikely
- Molecular biomarkers to select for efficacy and toxicity are not ready for prime time, but will hopefully make precision medicine possible
 - More challenging with combination regimens
- ***Clinical trials should be offered for every line since cure is unlikely with current therapy!***

mRCC, metastatic renal cell carcinoma; PD-1, programmed cell death protein-1; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.



Management of irAEs

The Evolving Role of Immunotherapy
in the Treatment of Genitourinary Cancers

Immune-Related AEs (irAEs)

- Immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICIs) introduce the potential for transformative, durable responses in multiple malignancies
- ICIs also introduce the potential for toxicity
- irAEs
 - **Activation of immune system that can “target” host tissues/organs**
 - **Can mimic (or flare) preexisting autoimmune conditions**
 - **Pathophysiology is not well understood**
 - **Treatment involves immunosuppressive agents**

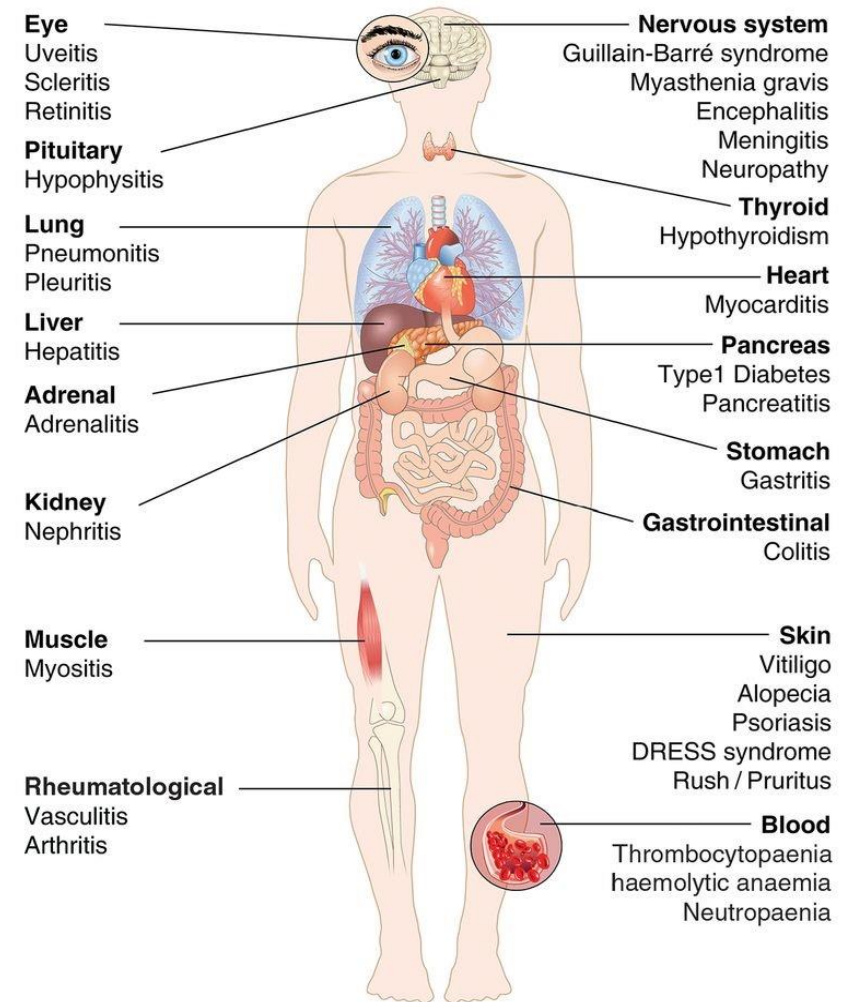
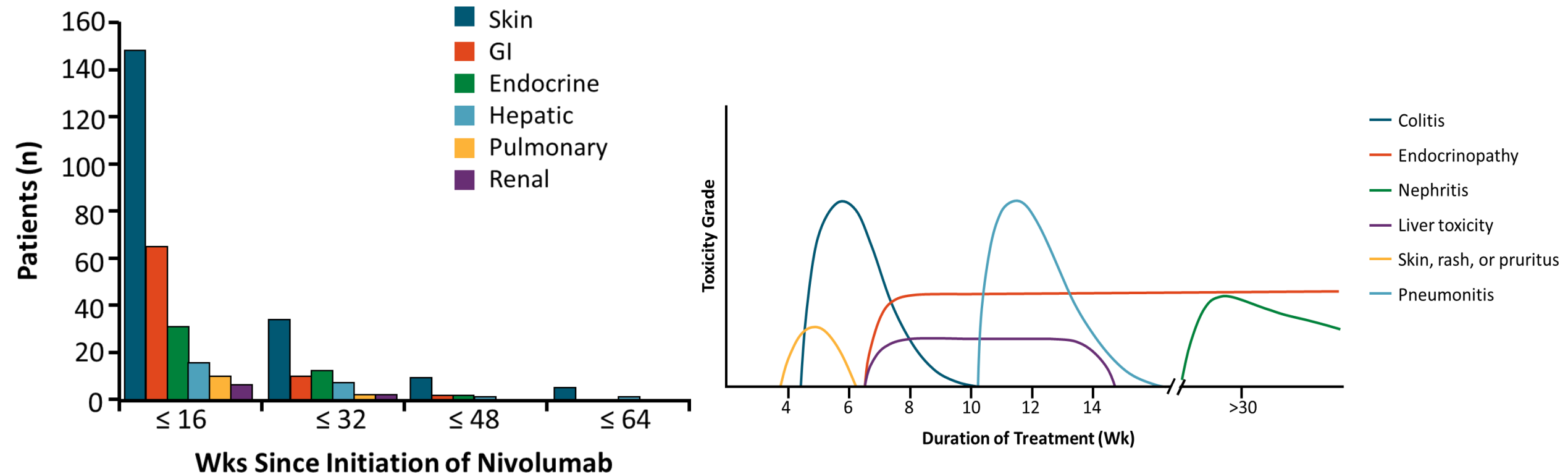


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Onset of irAEs



Weber JS, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2017;35(7):785-792; Petrylak DP. *Clin Genitourin Cancer*. 2017;15(3S):S3-S17; Martins F. *Nat Rev Clin Oncol*. 2019;16:563-580.

PD-1/PD-L1 Education Principles

Prior to Start

- Document underlying conditions
- History of autoimmune diseases
- Medication history/allergies
- Performance status
- Reproductive status
- Breastfeeding status
- Provide wallet card or other identification

Patient Instructions

- Notify healthcare professionals (HCPs) of new signs and symptoms
 - Fatigue, rash, cough, shortness of breath, muscle pain, weight loss, etc
- Symptoms should be monitored for a long time, even after therapy completion
- Medication changes, vaccines, etc

Adverse Effect Management

- Review medications for drug-drug interactions (DDIs)
- Symptomatic management for mild-to-moderate irAEs
 - Best supportive care and workup
 - Steroids may be needed
 - Hormone substitution as needed
 - May delay therapy until recovery/improvement
- Severe irAEs
 - Discontinue treatment
 - Steroids and other immunosuppressants
 - Hospitalization may be required
 - Expert consultation

PD-1, programmed cell death protein-1; PD-L1, programmed death-ligand 1.

NCCN. Management of immunotherapy-related toxicities. V3.2021. www.nccn.org. Accessed July 23, 2021.

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General Management of irAEs

- **Corticosteroids remain cornerstone of care for irAEs**
 - Resolved most irAEs among UC trials
 - Mild skin reactions can be treated with topical steroids
 - Higher grade/persistent toxicity requires systemic steroids
 - Oral preferred; IV may be used when absorption compromised (ie, colitis)
- **Moderate cases (grade II)**
 - Hold drug, redose if toxicity improves, consider low-dose steroids (prednisone 0.5-1 mg/kg/day)
- **Severe cases (grade III/IV)**
 - Start high-dose steroids (prednisone 1-2 mg/kg/day) with a slow taper (≥ 1 mo)
 - Infliximab 5 mg/kg once every 2 wks can be used
- **Endocrine AEs**
 - Hormonal replacement as needed

CTCAE Grade	Corticosteroids	Other Adjunctive Therapies	Immunotherapy Action
1	Not required	Not required	Continue
2	Topical or systemic steroids	Not required	Hold temporarily
3	Systemic steroids	If no response to steroids after 1-2 days	Discontinue and may consider resuming therapy based on risk/benefit*
4	Systemic steroids	If no response to steroids after 1-2 days	Discontinue

CTCAE, Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events.

*Doses are either given or held; there are no dose reductions.

Petrylak DP. *Clin Genitourin Cancer*. 2017;15(3S):S3-S17; Weber JS, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2012;30(21):2691-2697; Brahmer JR, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2018;36(17):1714-1768.

ICI + TKI Adverse Events

Immunotherapy

- Neurologic
- Eye
- Respiratory
- Endocrine
- Cardiovascular
- Liver
- Pancreas
- GI
- Renal
- Skin
- Musculoskeletal

VEGFR Inhibitor Therapy

- Diarrhea
- Hypertension
- Fatigue
- Anorexia
- Nausea
- Dysphonia
- HFS
- Hypothyroidism
- LFT elevation
- Proteinuria
- Thrombotic events

GI, gastrointestinal; HFS, hand-foot syndrome; ICI, immune checkpoint inhibitor; LFT, liver function test; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor; VEGFR, vascular endothelial growth factor receptor.

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Guidance on Evaluation and Management of Combination AEs

- Timing of AE onset:
 - Axitinib dosed BID (short half-life)
 - ICIs dosed every 2-4 wks (long half-life)
 - Axitinib can be interrupted to assess if the AE resolves
 - If AE occurs during a treatment cycle, only option is axitinib dose interruption
 - If AE occurs prior to beginning a cycle, may interrupt both
 - If AE does not resolve after holding axitinib, irAEs should be considered
- When reviewing the long list of potential AEs with patients, note that nobody gets all of them, but we cannot predict which ones a given patient will experience
 - Communication is key
 - See patient within 3-4 wks of starting treatment to detect emerging AEs early
- Severity of AE:
 - If AE is severe, life-threatening or rapidly worsening, hold both and initiate corticosteroids and supportive care

Rini BI, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2019;380(12):1116-1127; Motzer RJ, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2019;380(12):1103-1115.

A microscopic view of cancer cells, showing several large, irregular, and highly textured cells with prominent nuclei and some smaller, more spherical cells. The cells are set against a dark blue background with a lighter blue, wavy, textured pattern. A semi-transparent white horizontal band is centered across the image, containing the text "Thank you!".

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