

ESMO DEEP DIVE: BREAST CANCER

METASTATIC TRIPLE NEGATIVE BREAST CANCER

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PROGRAMME AND SPEAKERS

9 October 2024

5 min	Welcome and introduction Peter Schmid
15 min	What to do with early relapsers? Current concepts and ongoing research Rebecca Dent
15 min	Where are we heading with ADCs? Ongoing research and future directions Sara Tolaney
15 min	Is there more to come from immunotherapy? Giampaolo Bianchini
15 min	QnA and Discussion All speakers



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Sara Tolaney

Speaker

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Giampaolo Bianchini

Speaker

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University, IRCCS San
Raffaele Hospital

LEARNING OBJECTIVES



- . To acquire a deeper understanding of the clinical course of breast cancer.
- . To understand biological hypotheses on classification and risk stratification, ongoing/required research in therapeutics and knowledge of use of omics technologies for biomarker-enabled precision medicine for breast cancer.
- . To develop skills and abilities for critical analysis, interpretation of research data and therapeutic strategies.
- . To become better equipped for informed, innovative thinking and engagement in ongoing or new research projects.

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WHAT TO DO WITH EARLY RELAPSE?

Current Concepts and Ongoing Research

Prof Rebecca Dent, MD, FRCP (Canada)

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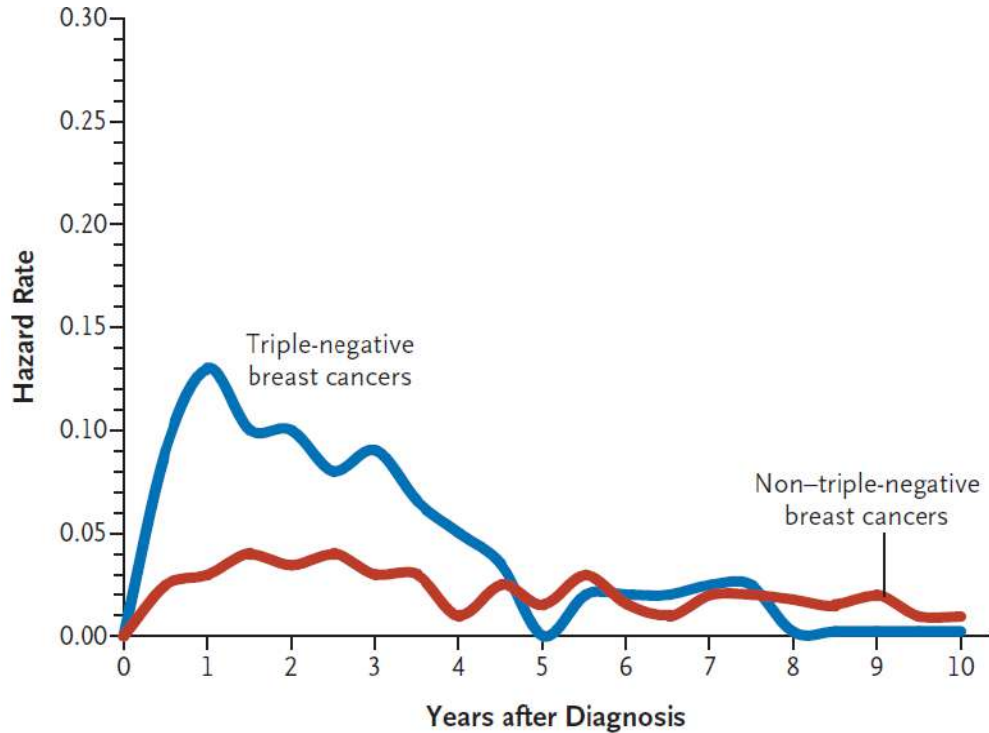
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Natural History

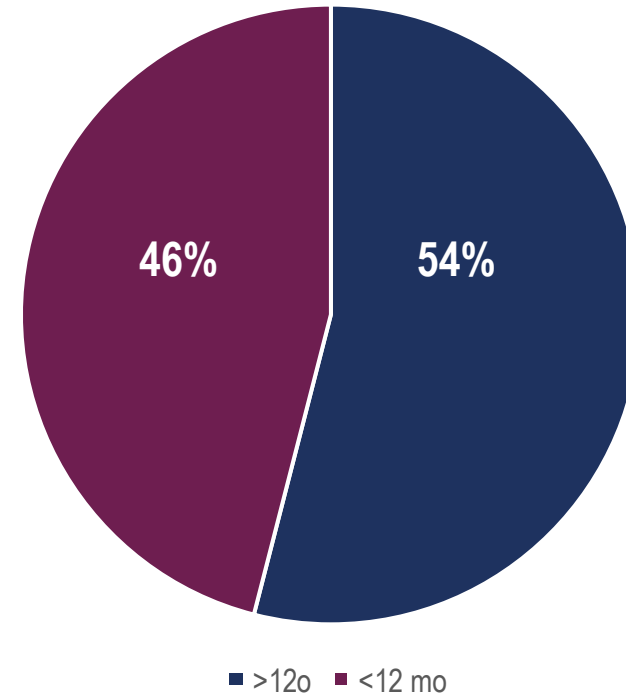
TNBC ASSOCIATED WITH EARLY RELAPSE

Time to Distant Recurrence



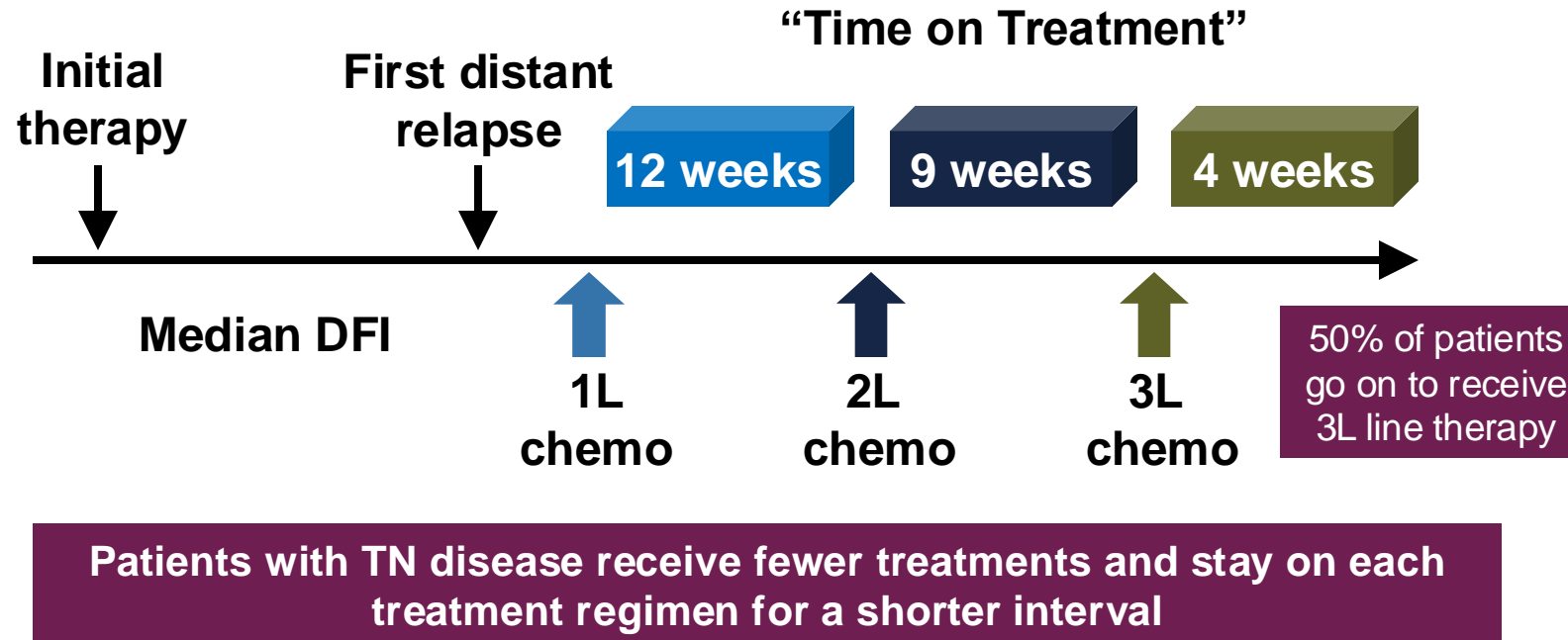
The mean time to distant recurrence is approximately 2.4 years for TNBC compared with 4.4 years for ER+ patients

Late vs Early Recurrence after Early Stage TNBC



Grinda T et al, Eur J Cancer 2023

THE MAJOR PROBLEM OF TUMOUR RESISTANCE TO THERAPY

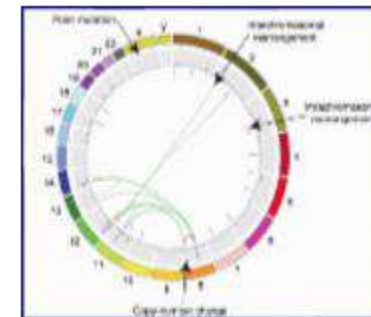
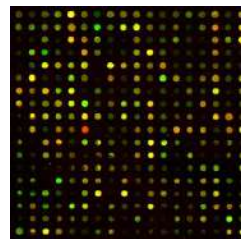
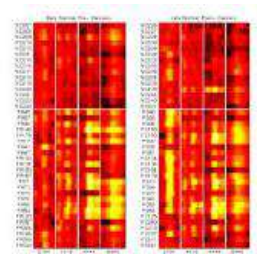
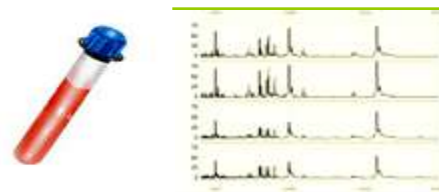
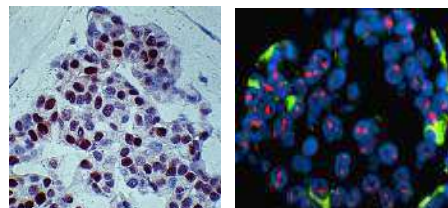
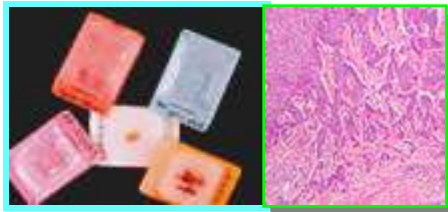
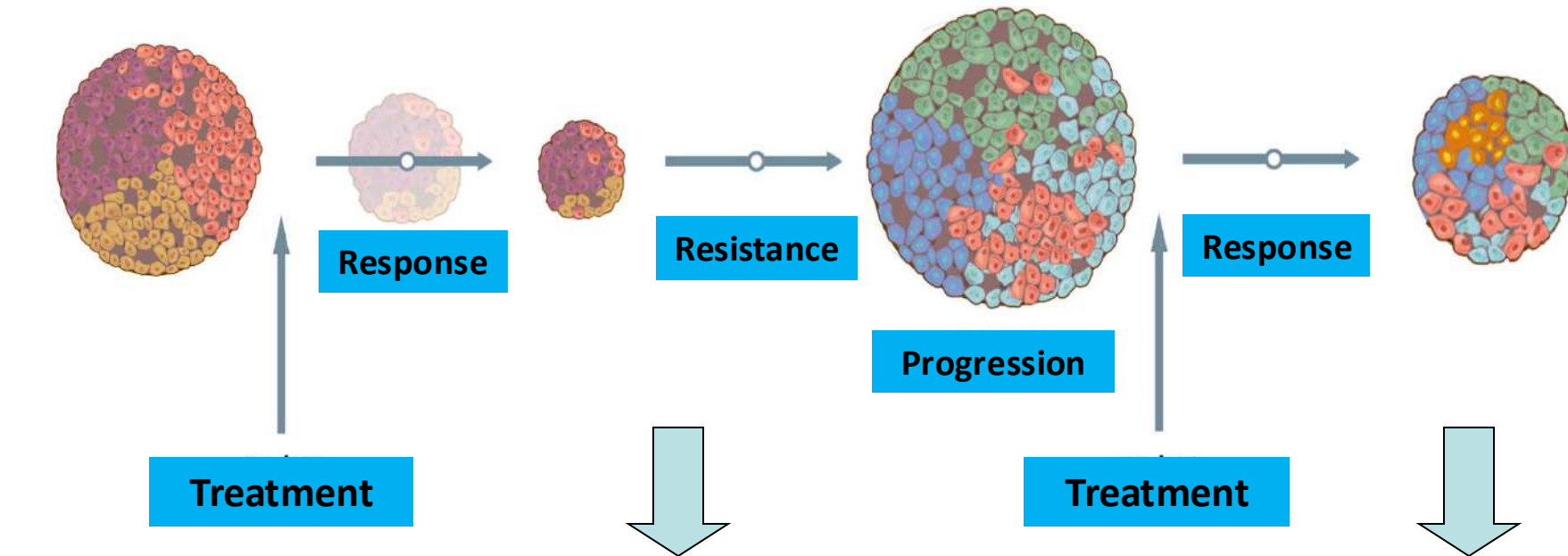


Critical to Bring in Palliative Care early

Kassam F ...Dent R et al. Clin Breast Cancer 2009

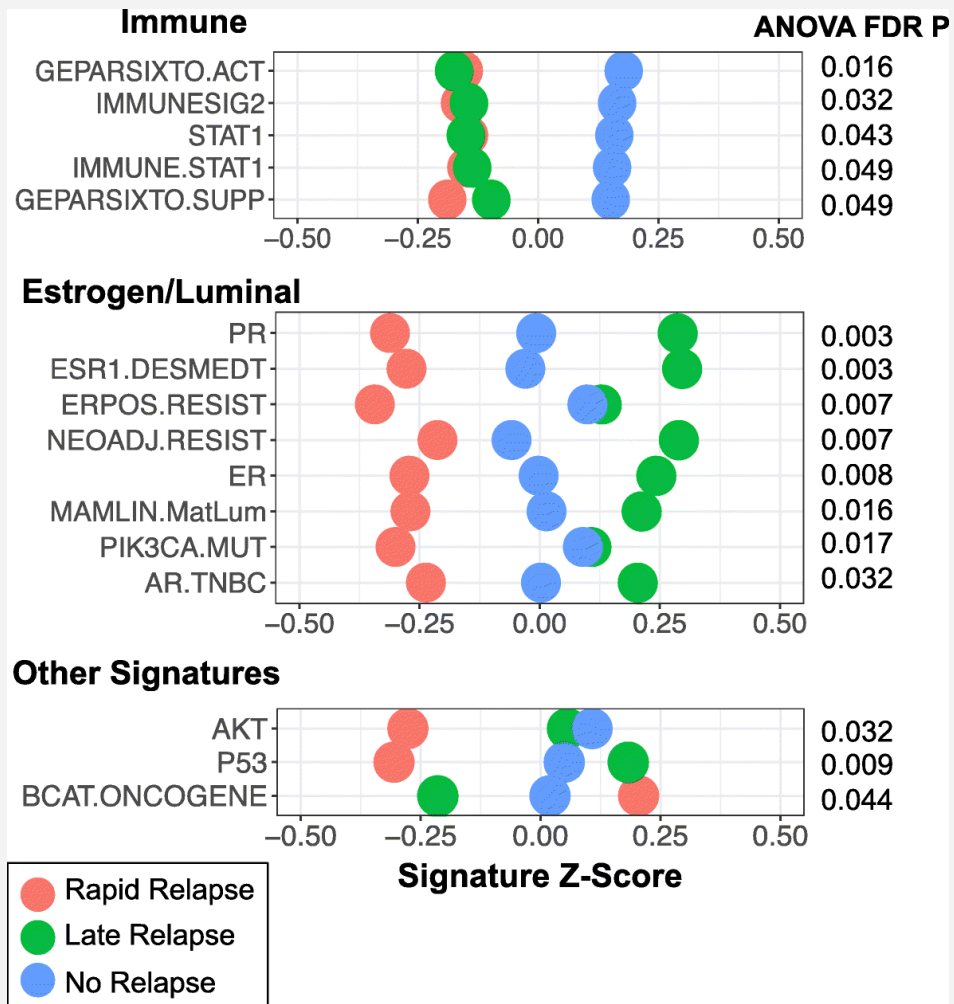
Simple then complex biology

The Major Problem Of TUMOR RESISTANCE TO THERAPY

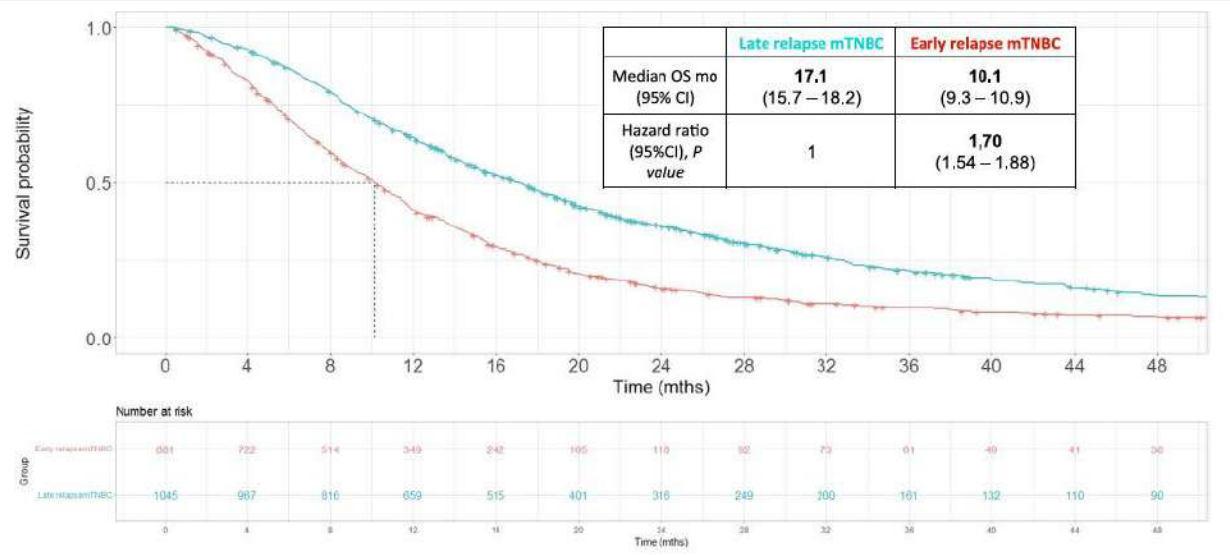


J. Ribeiro & F. Cardoso

EARLY RELAPSE AFTER TNBC: BIOLOGICALLY DISTINCT AND ASSOCIATED WITH WORSE OUTCOMES



Poor Overall Survival for Early Relapsers



PFS ~3 mo
OS ~10 mo

Grinda T et al, Eur J Cancer 2023

Trial exclusion

- Early relapsing TNBC is a biologically and clinically distinct entity³:
 - Aggressive, intrinsically resistant to standard therapies⁴
 - More common in younger patients with large primary tumours without *BRCA* alterations^{1,2}
- Most trials exclude these patients, posing a real challenge in clinical practice

¹Grinda T, et al. Eur J Cancer 2023; ²Kim H, et al. Cancers (Basel) 2021;
³Zhang Y, et al. BMC Cancer 2021; ⁴Karaayvaz M, et al. Nat Commun 2018

EARLY RELAPSEERS OFTEN EXCLUDED FROM FIRST LINE TNBC TRIALS



	IMP130	KN355	ASCENT-03	ASCENT-04	CAPITELLO-290	TROPION-Breast02	TROPION-Breast05
DFI	≥12m	≥6m (21% of randomized pts had DFI 6-12m)	DFI ≥6m	DFI ≥6m	DFI ≥6m (no cap)	Cap for DFI ≤12m 20% of randomized pts	DFI ≥6m Cap for DFI 6-12m 20% of randomized pts
COMMENTS	Did <i>not</i> allow <u>any</u> DFI < 12m	Did <i>not</i> allow DFI ≤6m	Does <i>not</i> allow DFI ≤6m; no known cap on DFI 6-12m	Does <i>not</i> allow DFI ≤6m; no known cap on DFI 6-12m	Does <i>not</i> allow DFI ≤6m	Allows any DFI (<i>within cap</i>)	Does <i>not</i> allow DFI ≤6m

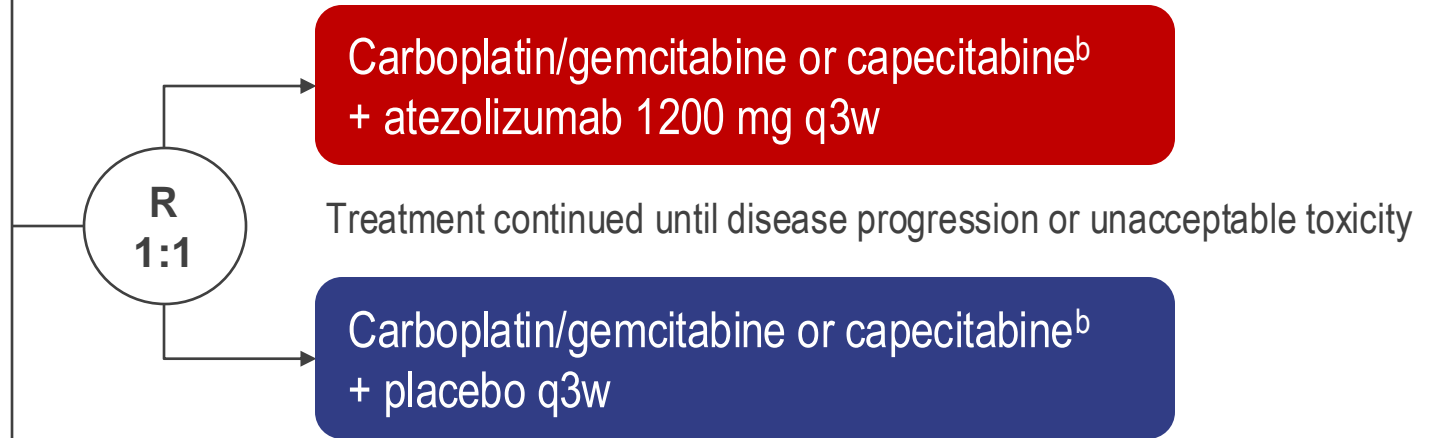
*DFI -time between completion of treatment with curative intent (either date of primary breast tumour surgery or date of last dose of systemic anticancer therapy (not including endocrine therapy), whichever occurred last) and the first documented local or distant disease recurrence (either by biopsy or imaging).

Slide courtesy of Sara M. Tolaney, MD, MPH

IMpassion132 – first trial specifically for early relapsing TNBC

- ◆ Double-blind placebo-controlled randomised phase 3 trial

- Unresectable locally advanced/ metastatic TNBC
- Prior anthracycline and taxane for early TNBC
- Disease progression <12 months after last treatment with curative intent for early TNBC^a
- No prior chemotherapy for advanced TNBC
- Known PD-L1 status (SP142)



Primary endpoint:

- OS (hierarchical testing: PD-L1+ TNBC^c then, if positive, modified ITT population^d)

Baseline Characteristics

Population with PD-L1+ TNBC

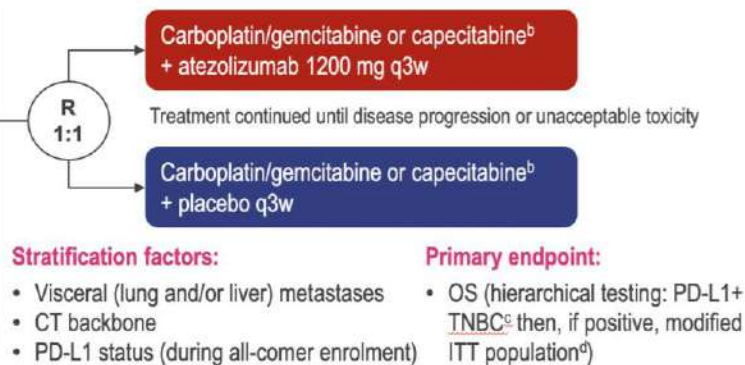
Characteristic	Placebo + CT (n=177)	Atezolizumab + CT (n=177)
Median (range) age, years	48 (25–83)	48 (23–77)
ECOG performance status 0, n (%)	101 (57)	110 (62)
Prior platinum, n (%)	32 (18)	31 (18)
Prior capecitabine, n (%)	47 (27)	52 (29)
DFI <6 months, n (%)	123 (69)	117 (66)
Lung and/or liver metastases, n (%)	110 (62)	106 (60)
Chosen CT: carboplatin/gemcitabine, n (%)	130 (73)	130 (73)
Chosen CT: capecitabine, n (%)	47 (27)	47 (27)

DFI = disease-free interval; ECOG = Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group

CAN IMMUNOTHERAPY WORK IN PATIENTS WITH TNBC WHO EXPERIENCE EARLY RELAPSE?

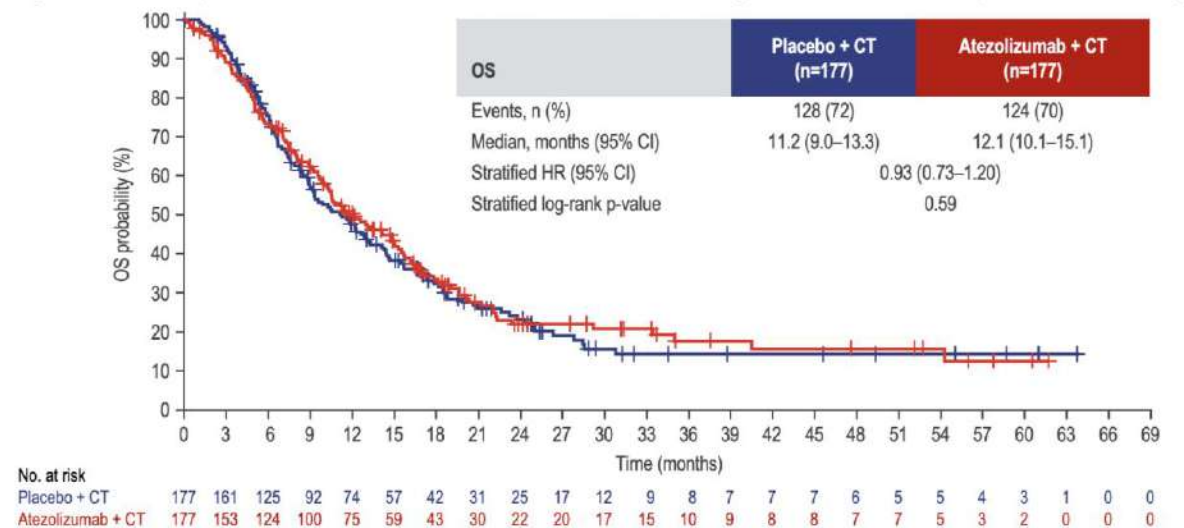
IMPASSION132

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- 68% DFI < 6mo
- 73% recv'd carbo/gem

No improvement in OS in PD-L1+ TNBC

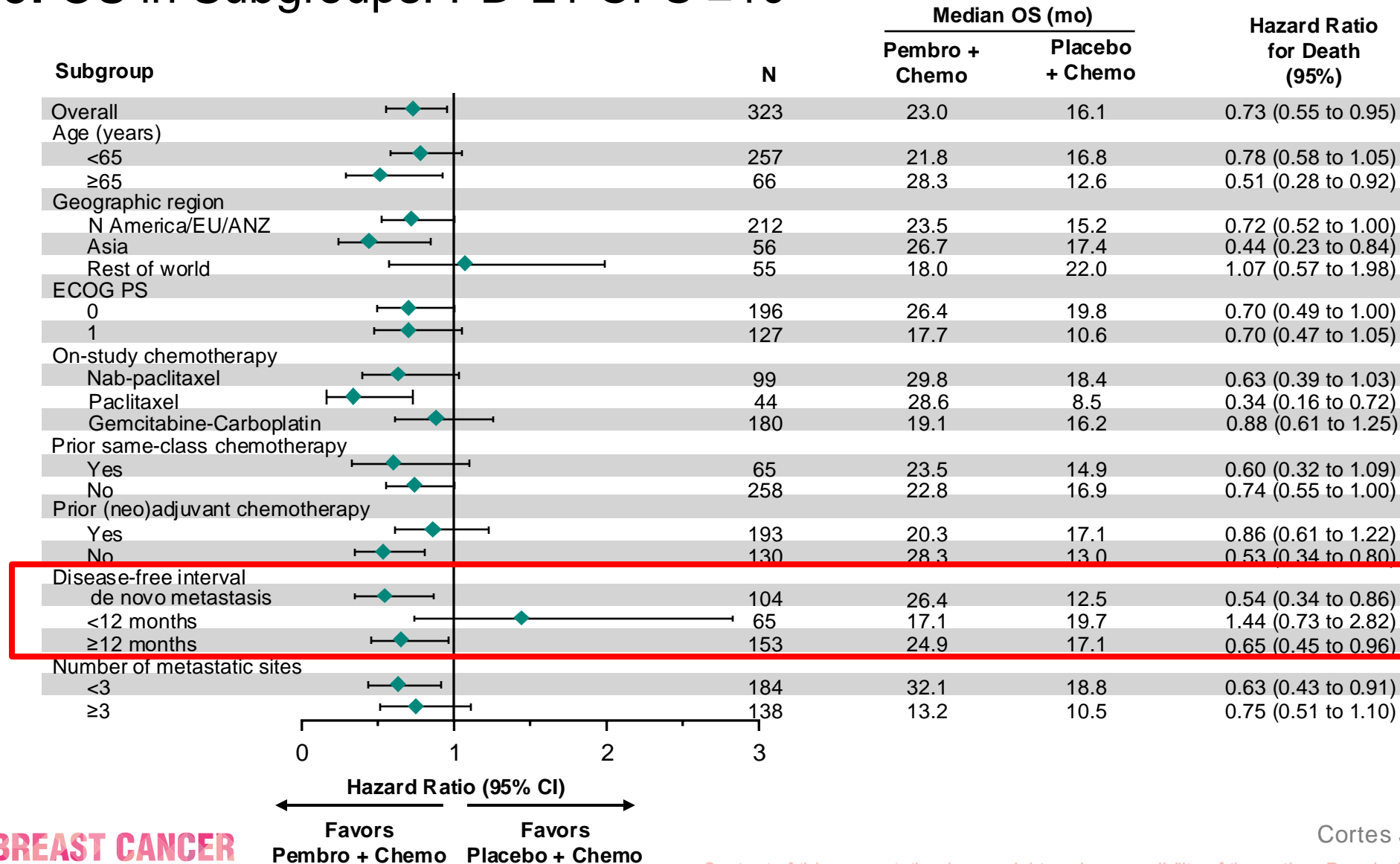


Poor Outcomes:
PFS ~4 mo | OS ~12 mo

Dent R et al. Annals of Oncology 2024

NO BENEFIT TO PEMBROLIZUMAB SEEN IN KN355 FOR PTS WITH DFI <6-12 MO

KN355: OS in Subgroups: PD-L1 CPS ≥10



COMPASS: PLATFORM TRIAL FOR TNBC WITH EARLY RELAPSE

POPULATION

Patients with triple negative ABC relapsed \leq 12 months from the end of curative treatment

TREATMENT

SPONSOR ASSIGNED

Module 1:
Dato-DXd 6 mg/kg every 3 w

Module 2:
Dato-DXd 6 mg every 3 w +
Durvalumab 1120 mg every 3 w

Module 3-n:
TBD

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES:

- Objective Response Rate (ORR)

Secondary Objectives:

- CBR, PFS, DOR, OS, Time Until Definitive Deterioration (TUDD)
- Safety



COMPASS

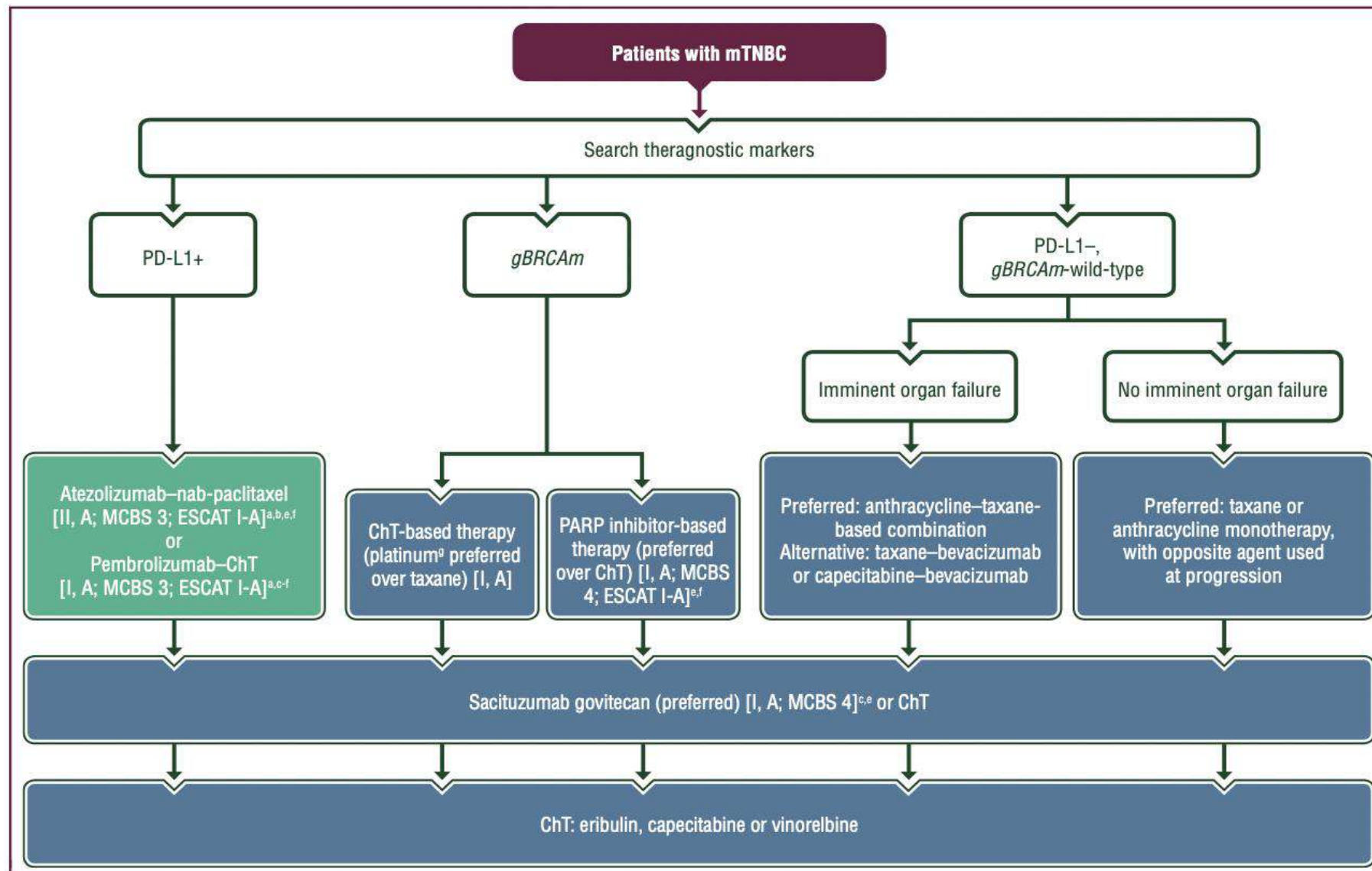
A phase Ib/II, open-label, modular, dose-finding and dose-expansion study to explore safety, tolerability, pharmacokinetics, and anti-tumor activity of novel therapeutics in patients with early relapsed metastatic triple-negative breast cancer

ESMO Clinical Practice Guideline for the diagnosis, staging and treatment of patients with metastatic breast cancer [☆]

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Does not include relapses < 12 mo



KEY POINTS IN METASTATIC TNBC



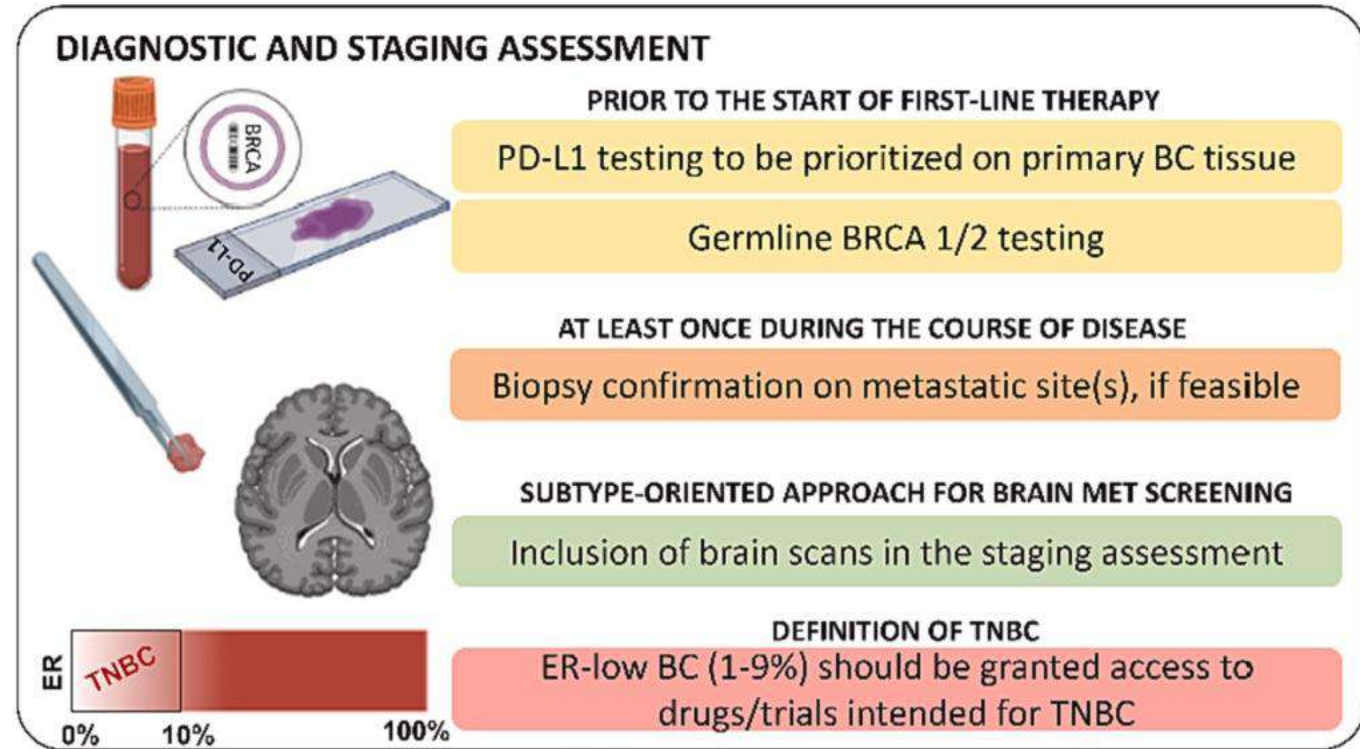
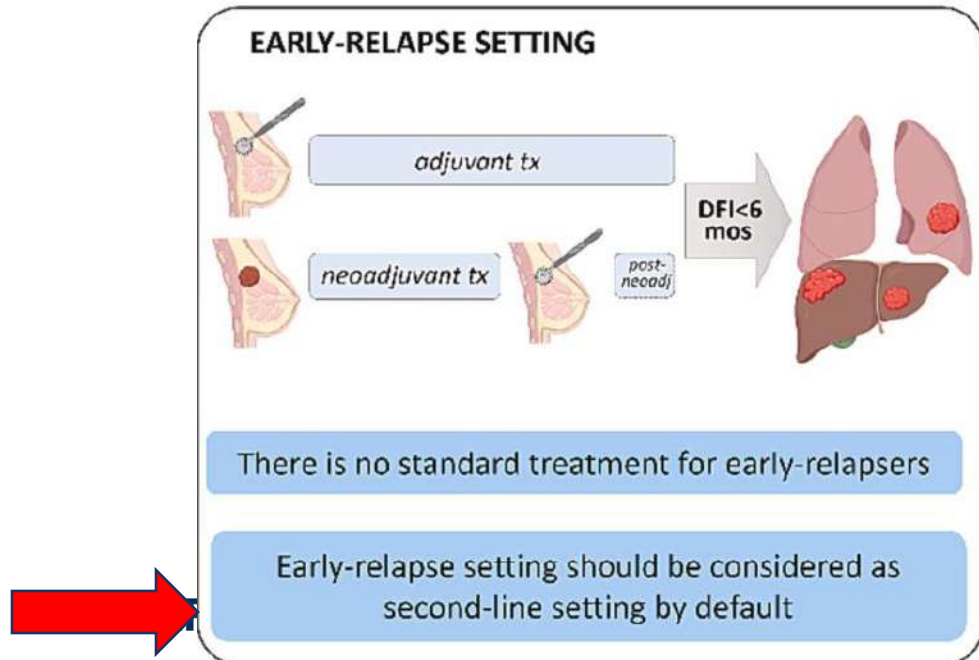
- Not all Metastatic TNBC created equal
 - ✓ Histology (ie. metaplastic TNBC)
 - ✓ "De Novo" vs. "Early Relapsing" vs. "Heavily-Pretreated"
- Current era "early relapsing" patients are effectively also "heavily pre-treated" as have received multi combination agent anthracycline/taxane/platinum-based chemotherapy with checkpoint inhibition, and sometimes post-operative capecitabine (or olaparib) + checkpoint inhibition

TREATING TNBC ON MONDAY MORNING

Optimizing choices and sequences in the diagnostic-therapeutic landscape of advanced triple-negative breast cancer: An Italian consensus paper and critical review

F. Miglietta^{a,b}, A. Fabi^c, D. Generali^{d,e}, M.V. Dieci^{a,b}, G. Arpino^f, G. Bianchini^{g,h}, S. Cinieriⁱ, P. F. Conte^j, G. Curigliano^{k,l}, M. De Laurentis^m, L. Del Mastro^{n,o}, S. De Placido^f, A. Gennari^p, F. Puglisi^{q,r}, A. Zambelli^{s,t}, F. Perrone^u, V. Guarneri^{a,b,*}

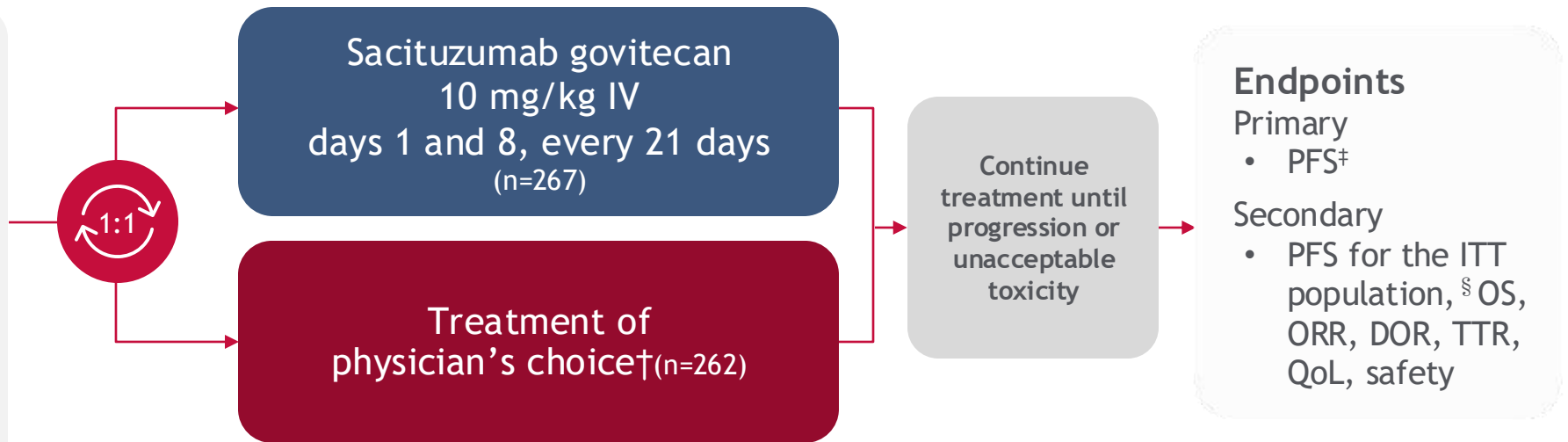
Cancer Treatment Reviews 2023



ASCENT: A phase 3 confirmatory study of sacituzumab govitecan in 2L and later mTNBC^{1-3*}

Metastatic TNBC

- ≥2 chemotherapies - one of which could be in neo/adjuvant setting provided progression occurred within a 12-months period
- Patients with stable brain metastasis were allowed (N=529)



Stratification factors

- Number of prior chemotherapies (2 or 3 vs >3)
- Geographic region (North America vs Europe)
- Presence/absence of known brain metastases (Yes/No)

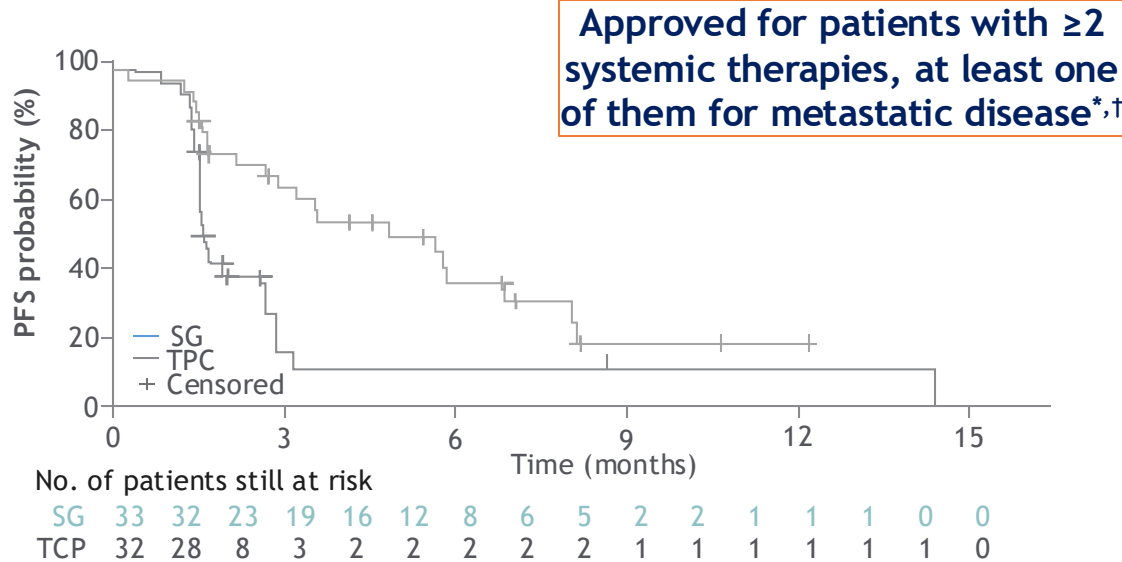
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*ASCENT was an international, Phase 3, multicentre, open-label, randomised trial of patients with unresectable locally advanced or metastatic TNBC (N=529). †Treatment of physician's choice: eribulin, vinorelbine, gemcitabine, or capecitabine; ‡PFS measured by an independent centralised and blinded group of radiology experts who assessed tumour response using RECIST 1.1 criteria in patients without brain metastasis; §The full population or intention-to-treat population includes all randomised patients (with and without brain metastases).

DOR, duration of response; IV, intravenous; ITT, intention-to-treat; mTNBC, metastatic triple-negative breast cancer; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumours; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer; TTR, time to response; QoL, quality of life.

ASCENT: In patients with 2L mTNBC, PFS and OS improvement was consistent with the overall study population

Progression-free survival



BICR Analysis

No. of events

Median PFS – mo (95% CI)

HR (95% CI)

SG (n=33)

21

5.7 (2.6–8.1)

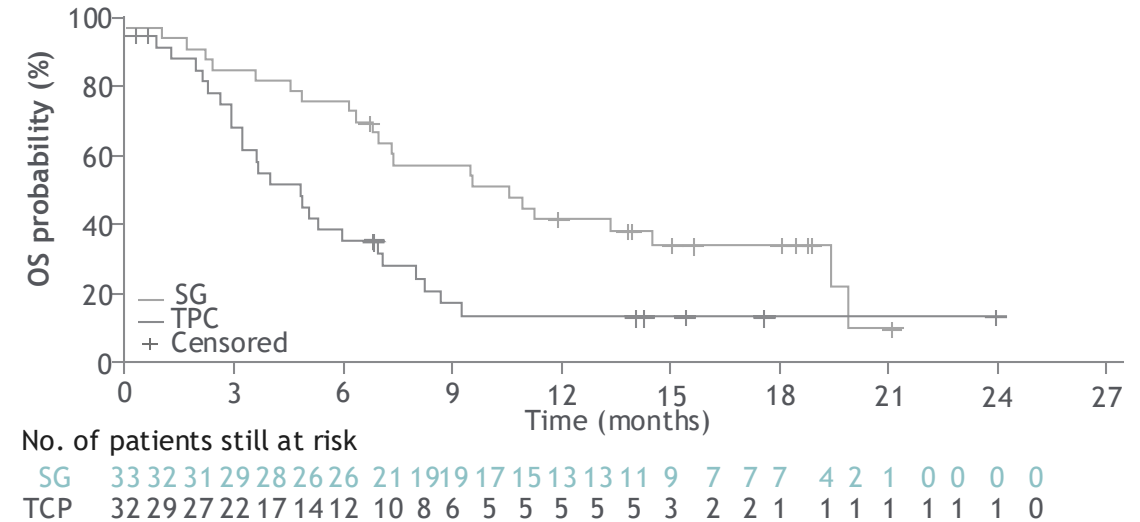
0.41 (0.22–0.76)

TPC (n=32)

23

1.5 (1.4–2.6)

Overall survival



BICR Analysis

No. of events

Median OS—mo. (95% CI)

HR (95% CI)

SG (n=33)

22

10.9 (6.9–19.5)

0.51 (0.28–0.91)

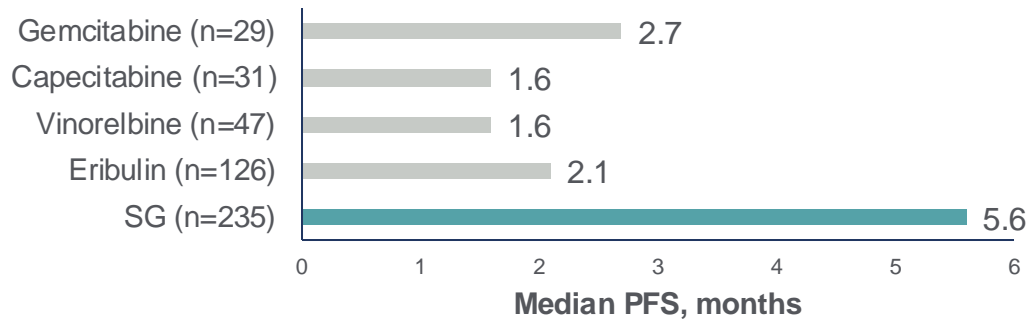
TPC (n=32)

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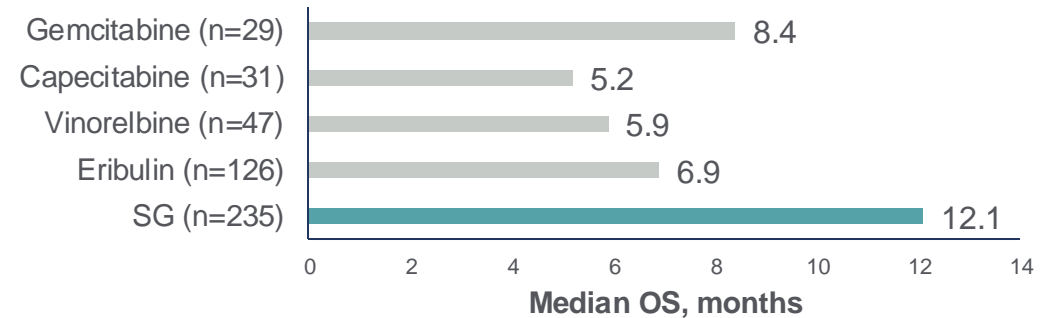
4.9 (3.1–7.1)

ASCENT: Assessment of SG vs TPC, by Agent

PFS in ASCENT



OS in ASCENT



	Sacituzumab Govitecan (n=235)	TPC (n=233)			
		Eribulin (n=126)	Vinorelbine (n=47)	Gemcitabine (n=29)	Capecitabine (n=31)
ORR	35%	5%	4%	3%	6%

The efficacy benefit observed with SG was retained when evaluating each TPC chemotherapy agent individually

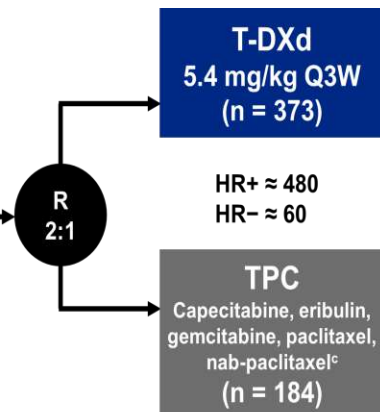
CBR, clinical benefit rate; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

Trastuzumab Deruxtecan vs Chemotherapy in Previously Treated HER2-low BC

Clinical Trial Design (Phase III- Destiny-Breast04)

Patients^a

- HER2-low (IHC 1+ vs IHC 2+/ISH-), unresectable, and/or mBC treated with 1-2 prior lines of chemotherapy in the metastatic setting
- HR+ disease considered endocrine refractory

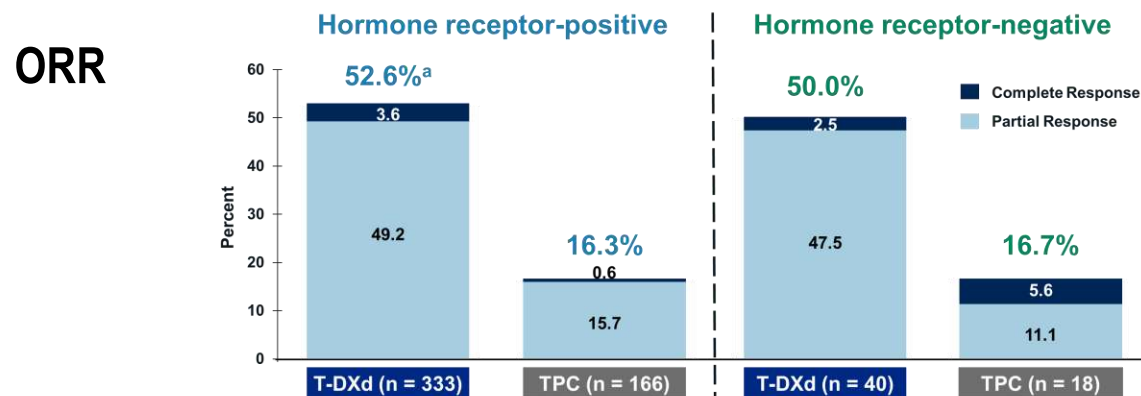
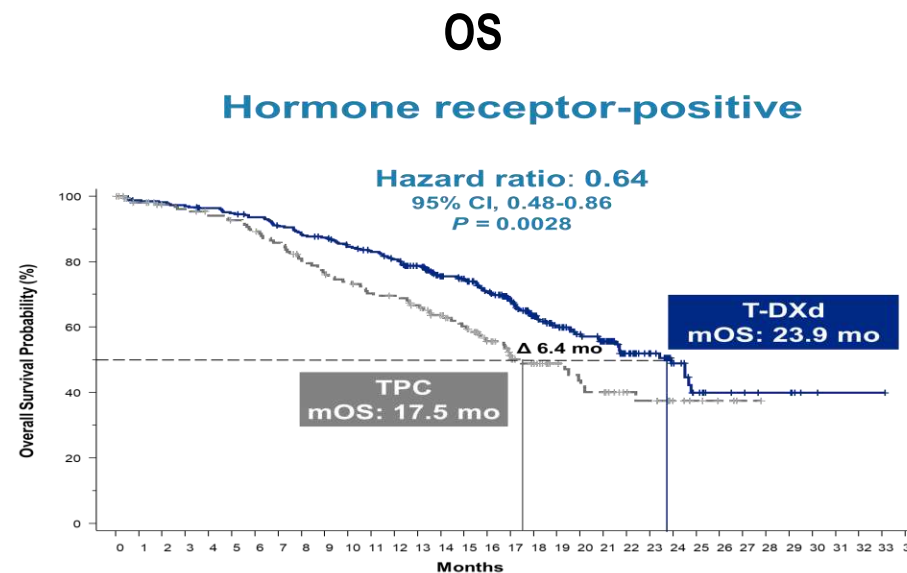
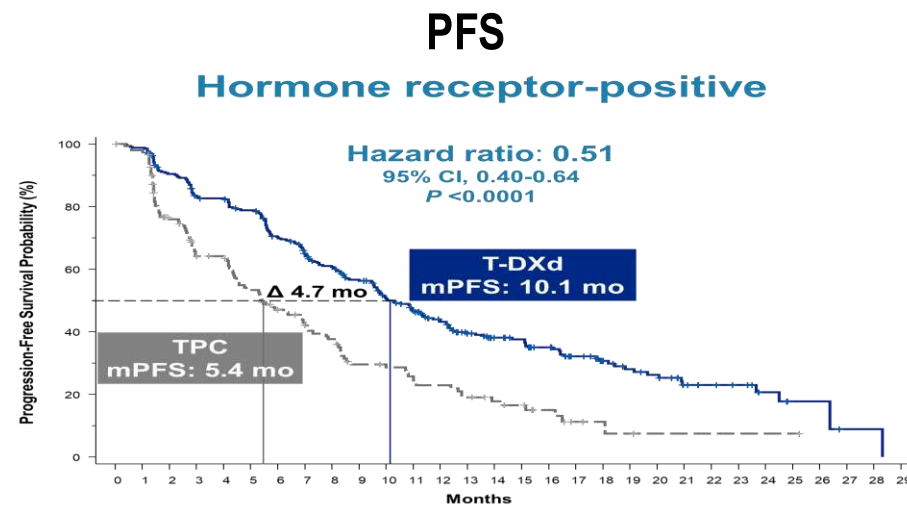


Primary endpoint

- PFS by BICR (HR+)

Key secondary endpoints^d

- PFS by BICR (all patients)
- OS (HR+ and all patients)



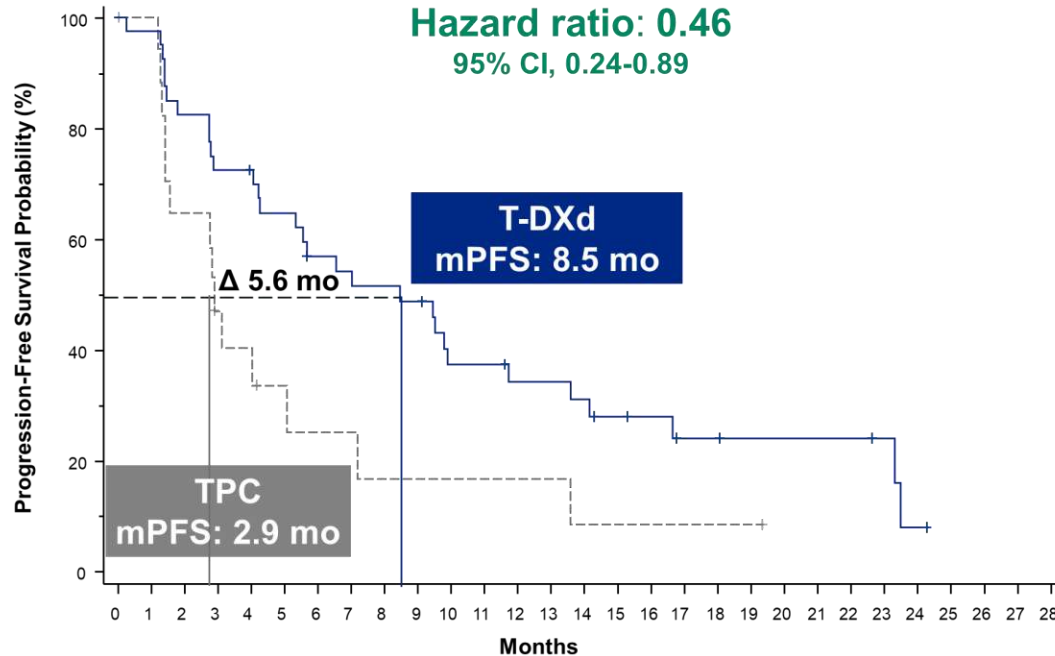
Progressive Disease, %	7.8	21.1	12.5	33.3
Not Evaluable, %	4.2	12.7	7.5	5.6
Clinical Benefit Rate^b, %	71.2	34.3	62.5	27.8
Duration of Response, months	10.7	6.8	8.6	4.9

- Review protocol – were TNBC pts included if < 12 mo (ie. 2nd line)



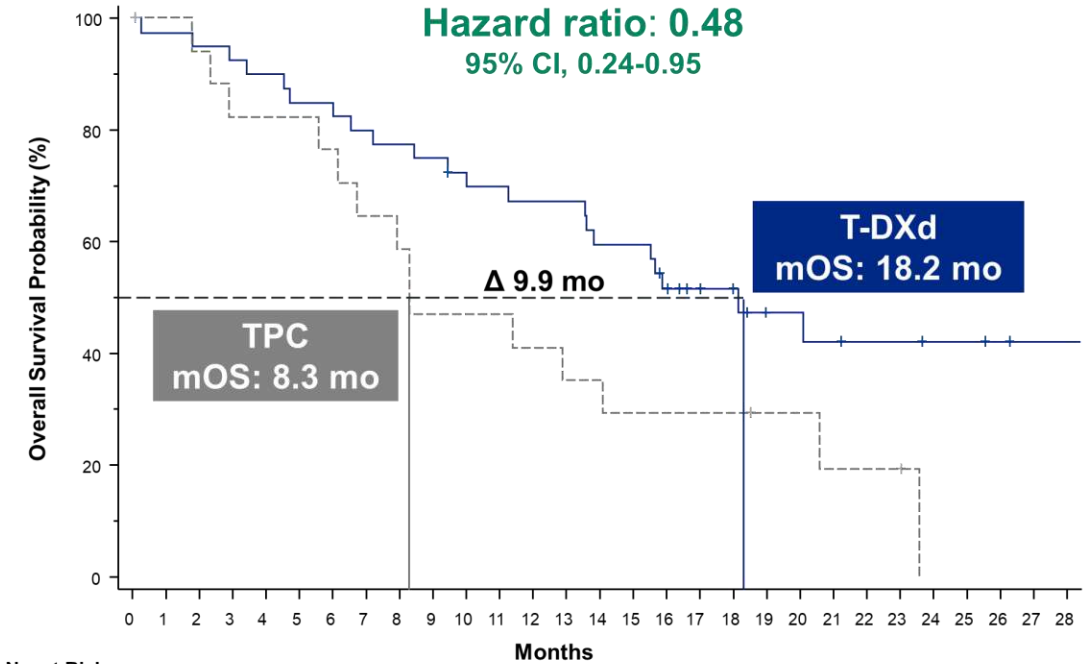
Trastuzumab Deruxtecan vs Chemotherapy in Previously Treated HER2-low BC TNBC & Low HER2 (exploratory analysis)

Hormone receptor-negative



No. at Risk

T-DXd (n=40):	40	39	33	29	28	25	21	20	19	18	13	13	11	11	10	8	7	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	1	0
TPC (n=18):	18	17	11	7	6	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0				

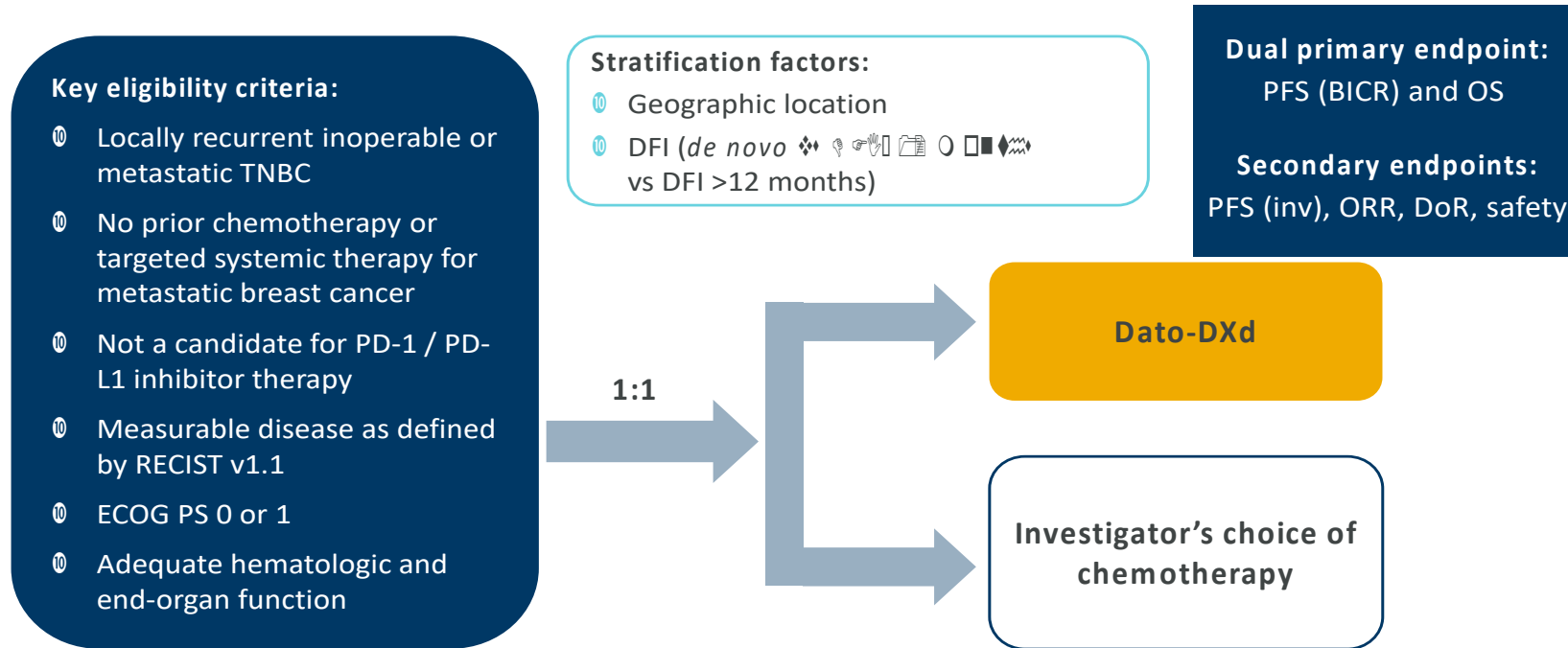


No. at Risk

T-DXd (n=40):	40	39	38	37	36	34	34	32	31	30	28	27	26	26	23	23	19	14	13	9	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	4	4
TPC (n=18):	18	17	16	14	14	14	3	11	10	8	8	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	3	3	2	2	2	0				

Ongoing Phase 3 Clinical Trials with Dato-DXd in 1L

TROPION-Breast02¹



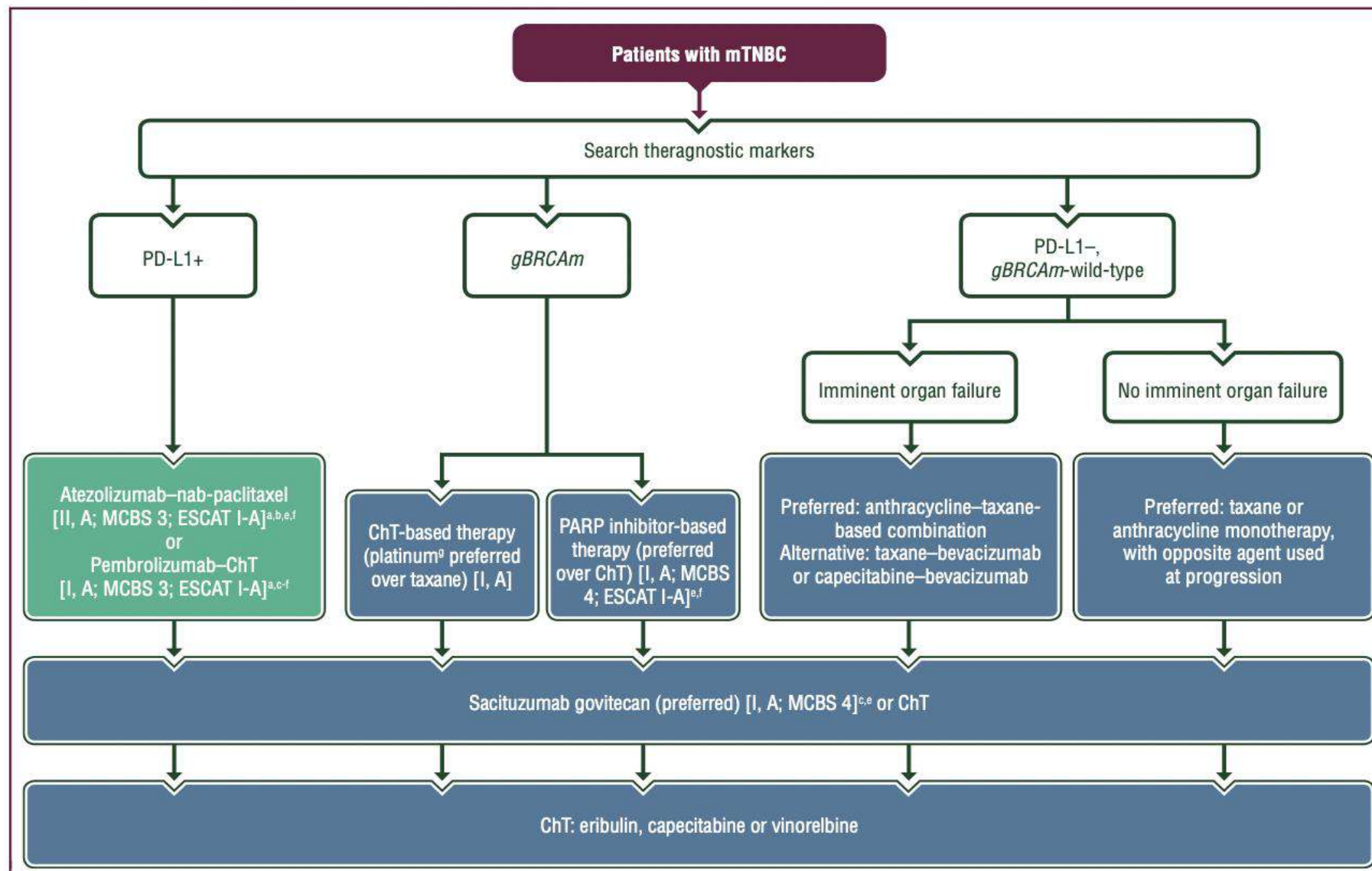
- 1st line therapy for TNBC
- PD-L1 negative

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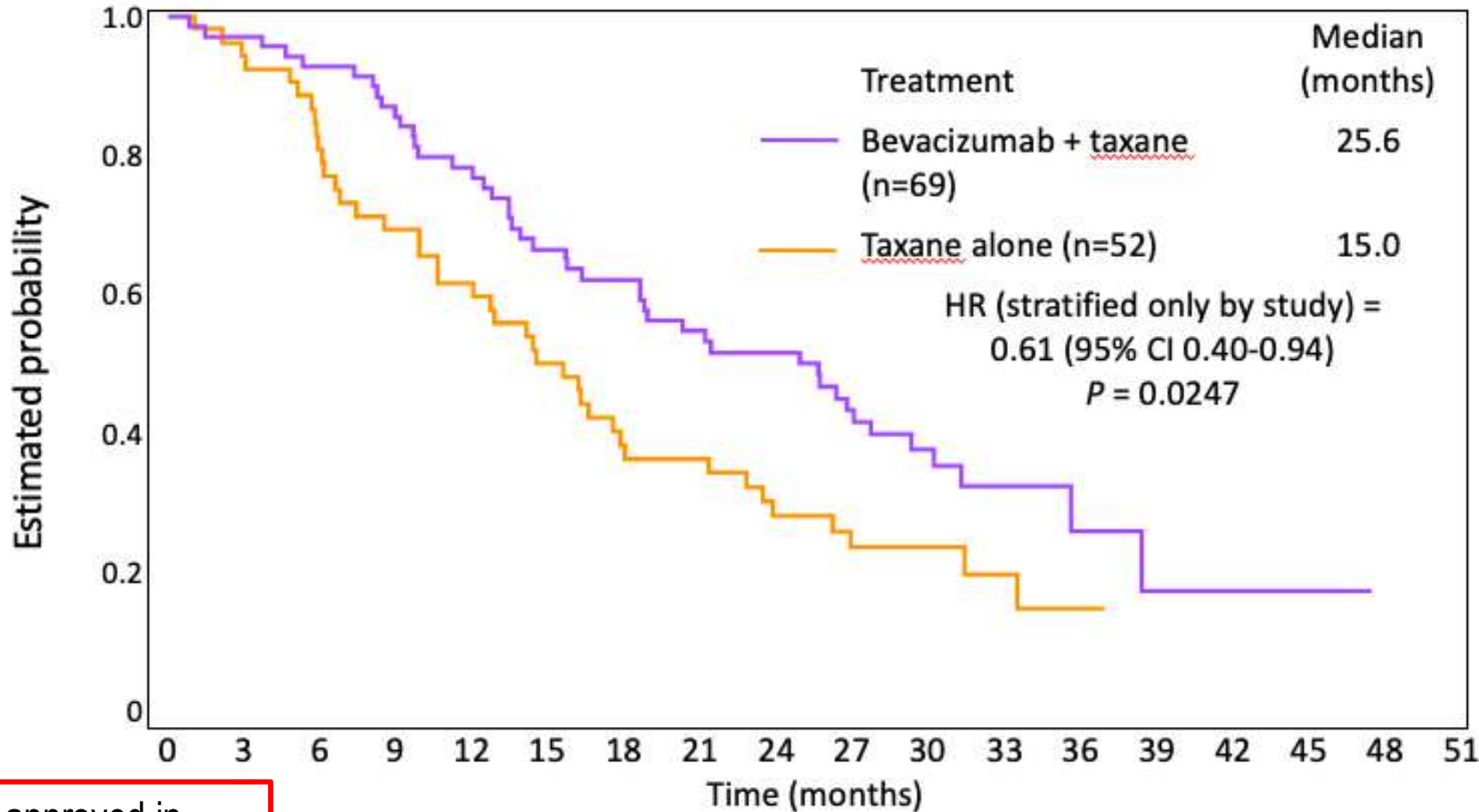
Trials used to make recommendations did not include pts < 12mo DFI



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TAXANE ± BEVACIZUMAB: OS (TAXANE-PRETREATED HR-) N.B. SUBGROUP ANALYSIS UNPLANNED

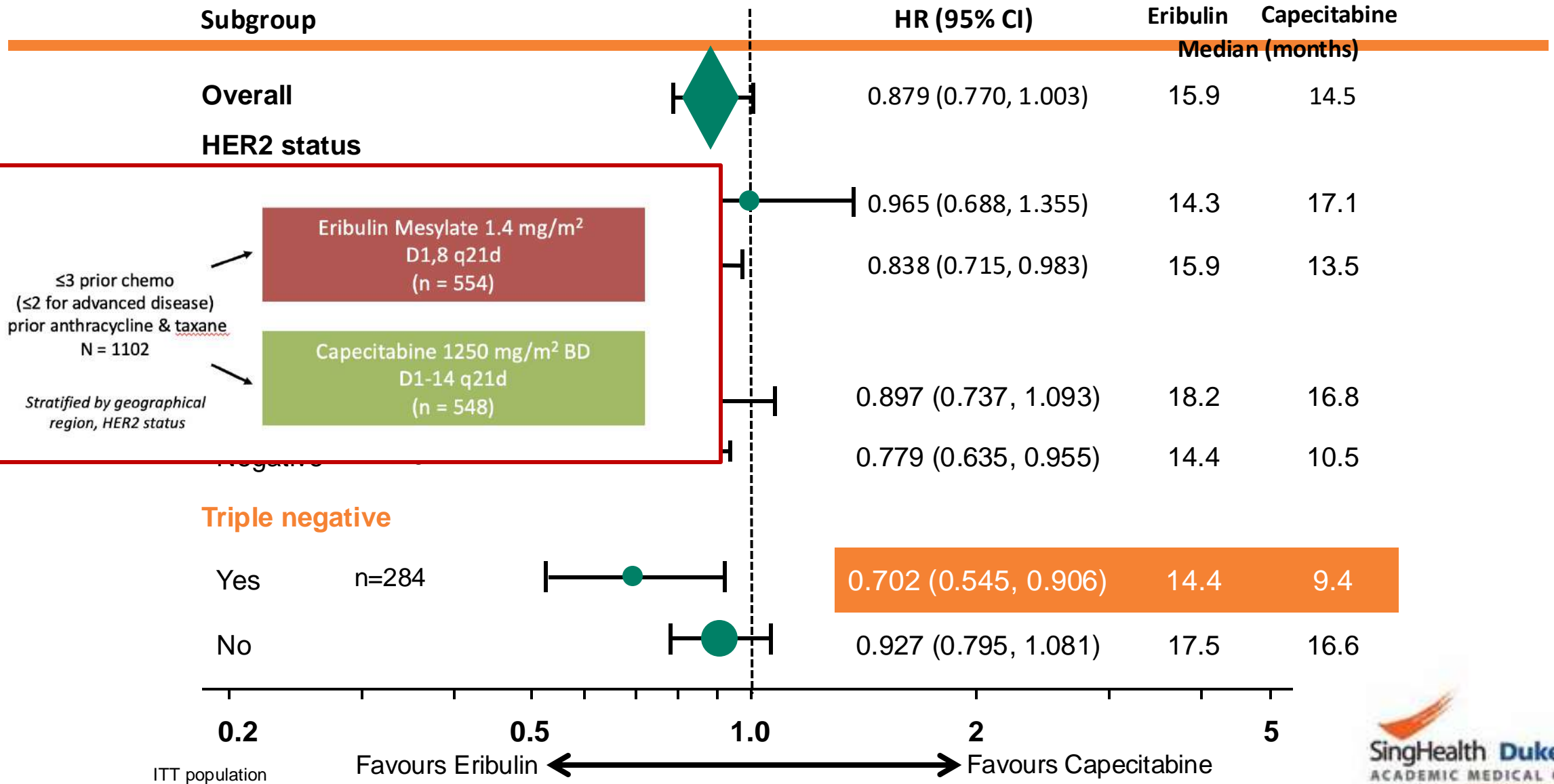
ESMO-MCBS v1.1 score: 2



Bevacizumab not approved in USA and other parts of the world

AVAB00092e. Miles DW et al, ESMO 2010

Study 301: Eribulin vs Capecitabine



Twelves C et al, Breast Cancer (Auckl) 2016.

CNS METASTASES AND TNBC

Special Considerations

Incidence of BM in metastatic TNBC resembles metastatic HER2-positive BC¹

Shorter BMFS²

Higher rate of LMD

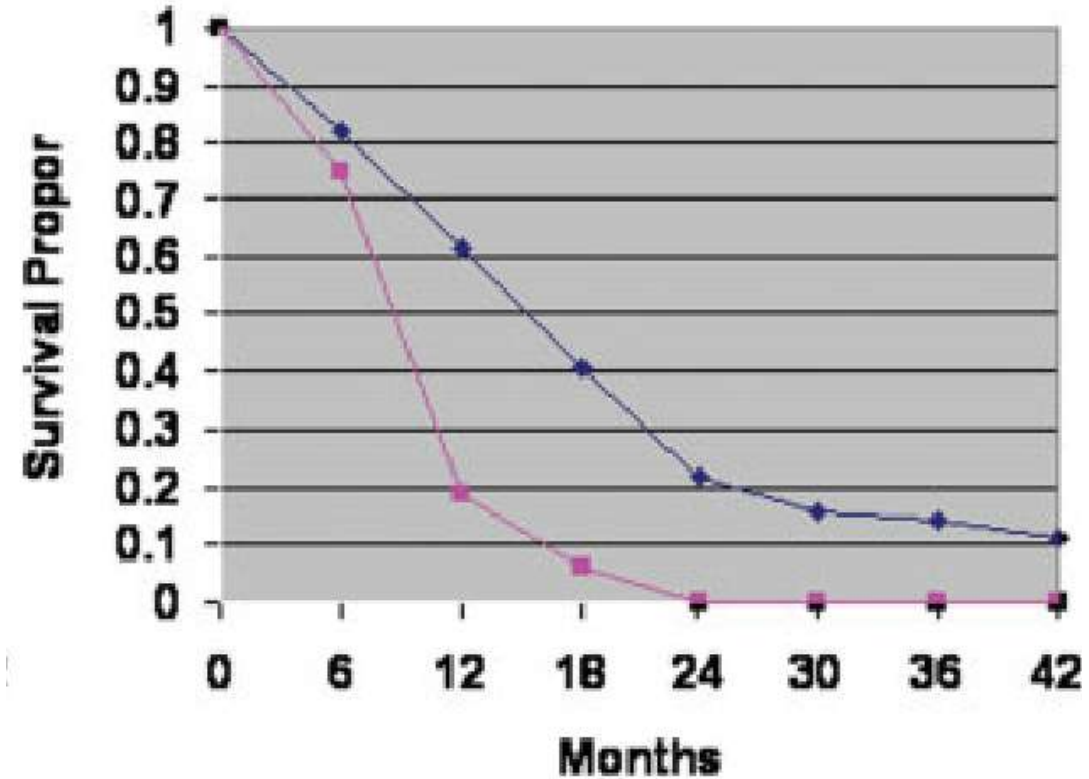
Different progression patterns:

HER2-positive mBC: stable extracranial disease at brain metastases diagnosis common

SD/PR: 50%³

mTNBC: parallel progression of extra- and intracranial disease

Poor prognosis of mTNBC with BM⁴



OS in mTNBC pts. with/without BM

◆ CNS-
■ CNS+

¹ Bansal R et al. *Clin Breast Cancer* 2023;23:825-831.; ² Berghoff A et al. *Br J Cancer* 2012;106:440-446.; ³ Bendell JC et al. *Cancer* 2003;97:2972-2977.; ⁴ Lin NU et al. *Cancer* 2008;113:2638-2645

Subgroup Analysis of Patients With Brain Metastases From the Phase 3 ASCENT Study of Sacituzumab Govitecan Versus Chemotherapy in Metastatic Triple-Negative Breast Cancer

Dieras et al.

Table 4: Progression-Free Survival		
Brain Metastases-Positive (N=61)		
BICR Analysis	SG (n=32)	TPC (n=29)
No. of events	24	21
Median PFS—mo (95% CI)	2.8 (1.5-3.9)	1.6 (1.3-2.9)
HR (95% CI)	0.65 (0.35-1.22)	

Table 5: Overall Survival		
Brain Metastases-Positive (N=61)		
	SG (n=32)	TPC (n=29)
No. of events	24	21
Median OS—mo (95% CI)	6.8 (4.7-14.1)	7.5 (4.7-11.1)
HR (95% CI)	0.87 (0.47-1.63)	

**Modest benefit in PFS
No benefit in OS in CNS +

(small numbers)**

Evidence of deficient DNA repair in breast cancer brain metastases



RESEARCH ARTICLE

Open Access

A *BRCA1* deficient-like signature is enriched in breast cancer brain metastases and predicts DNA damage-induced poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase inhibitor sensitivity

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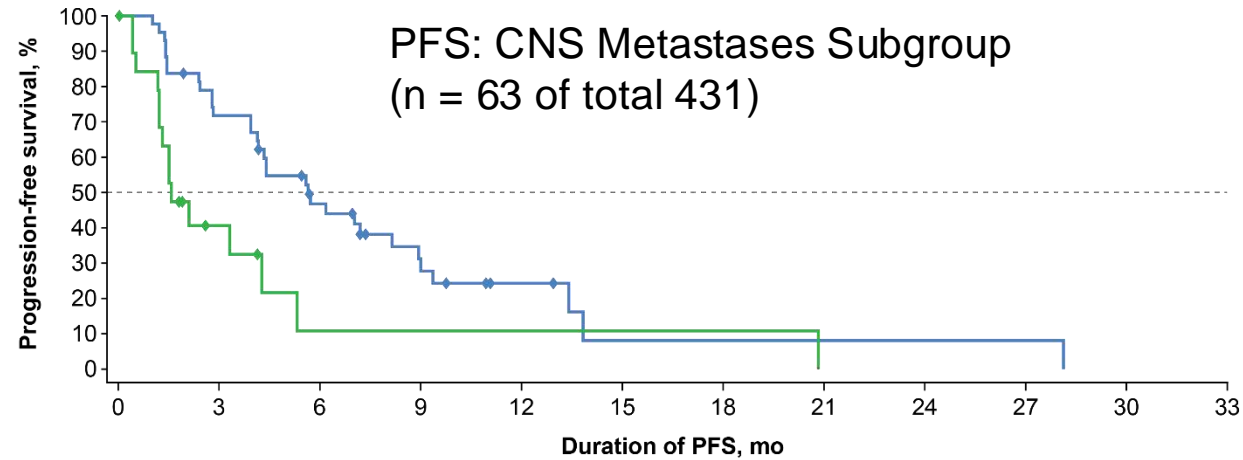
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Breast cancer brain metastases show increased levels of genomic aberration-based homologous recombination deficiency scores relative to their corresponding primary tumors

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Talazoparib vs. MD Choice yields PFS advantage in *BRCA*-associated brain metastases

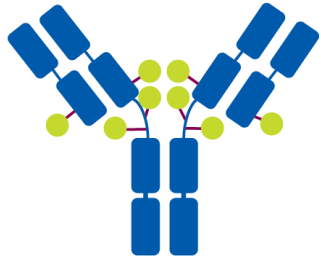


No. at risk (events/cumulative events)	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33
TALA	43 (0/0)	30 (12/12)	17 (10/22)	9 (5/27)	4 (2/29)	1 (2/31)	1 (0/31)	1 (0/31)	1 (0/31)	1 (0/31)	0 (1/32)	0 (0/32)
PCT	20 (0/0)	5 (11/11)	1 (3/14)	1 (0/14)	1 (0/14)	1 (0/14)	1 (0/14)	0 (1/15)	0 (0/15)	0 (0/15)	0 (0/15)	0 (0/15)

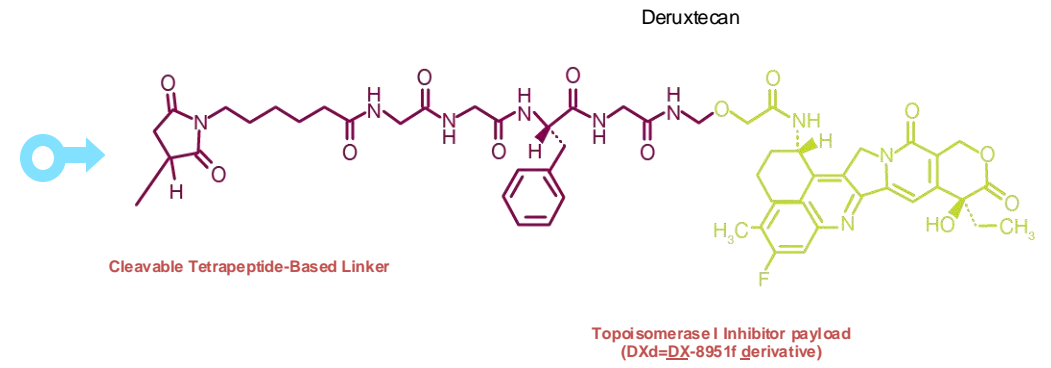
(Compared to 8.6 vs. 5.6 mos PFS for total study population)

	TALA (n = 43)	Overall PCT (n = 20)
Events, no. (%)	32 (74%)	15 (75%)
Median, mo (95% CI)	5.7 (4.1, 8.1)	1.6 (1.2, 4.3)
Hazard ratio, 0.32 , 95% CI, 0.15, 0.68 P = .0016		

TUXEDO-2: TNBC and BRAIN METS



Humanized anti-Trop2 IgG1 mAb



- Histologically confirmed triple-negative breast cancer
- Radiologically documented metastatic disease
- Newly diagnosed brain metastases or brain metastases progressing after prior local therapy
- Measurable disease (RANO-BM criteria)
- No indication for immediate local treatment
- Leptomeningeal disease allowed
- KPS $\geq 70\%$, ECOG ≤ 2
- Indication for systemic therapy
- Minimum of one prior line of chemotherapy for early or advanced disease
- Prior treatment with IOs, PARPi and/or TROP-2 directed compounds allowed
- Life expectancy of at least 3 months
- Age > 18 years
- LVEF $\geq 50\%$

Datopotamab-deruxtecan
(6.0 mg/kg i.v. once every three weeks)

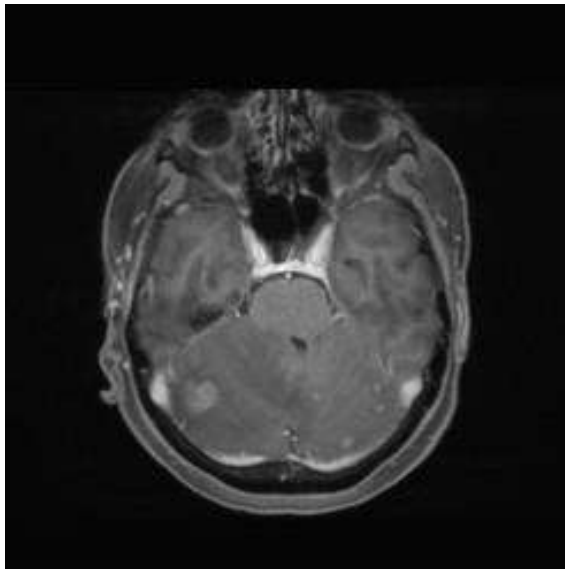
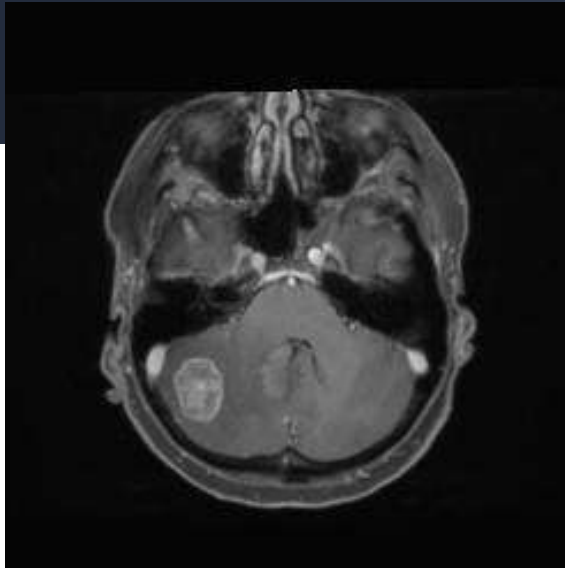
Treatment until progression, unacceptable toxicity or withdrawal for any reason

Further treatment according to local standard

Safety FU four weeks after EOT

Survival FU at 6, 12, and 18 months

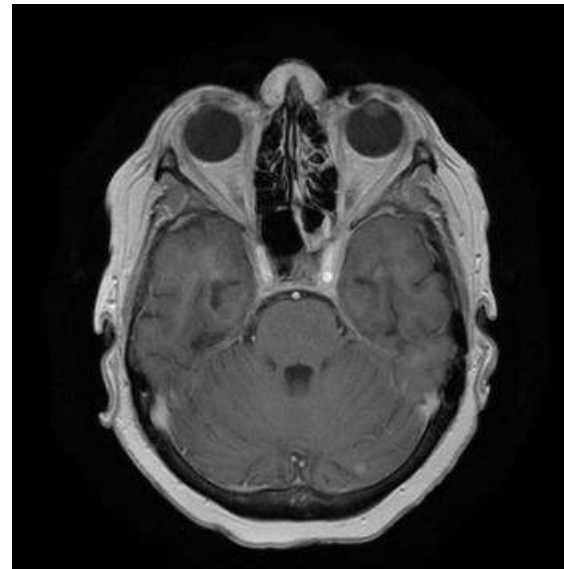
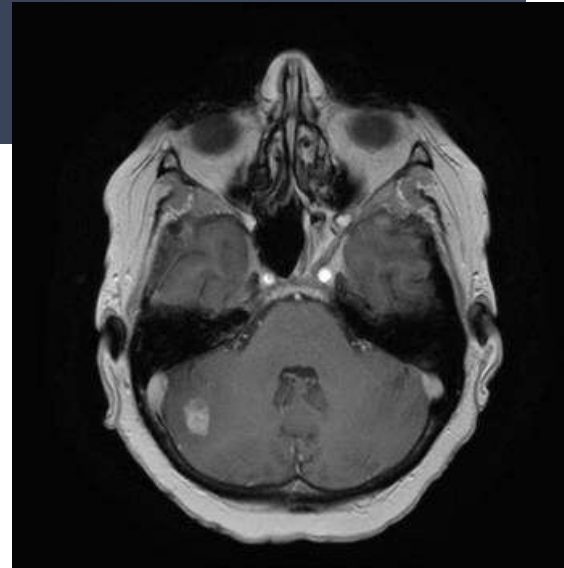
- Single-arm phase II
- Simon Optimal Two Stage Design
- Dato-DXd in pts. with triple-negative breast cancer active BM



Baseline

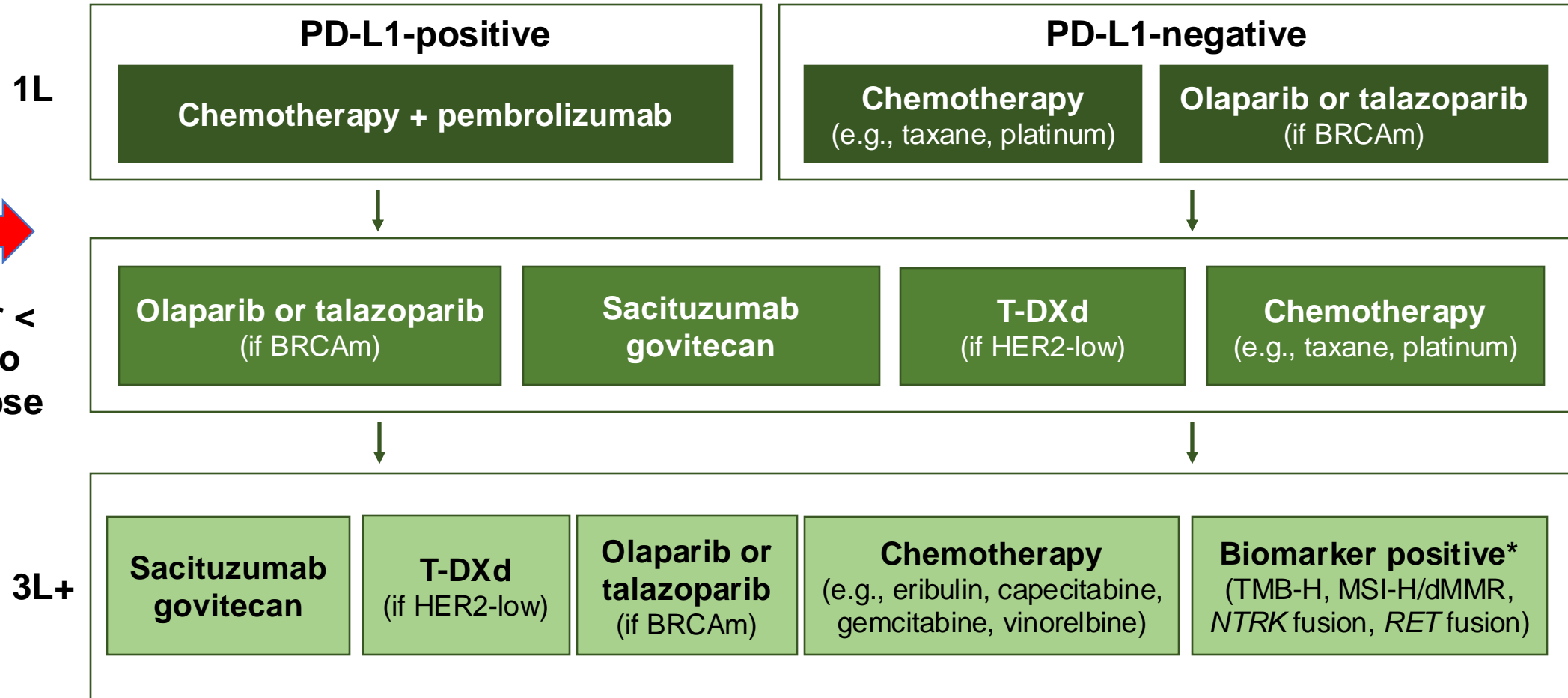


Dato-DXd



Post cycle 4

Treatment Algorithm for Metastatic TNBC



*TMB-H: Pembrolizumab; MSI-H: Pembrolizumab, Dostarlimab; *NTRK* fusion: Larotrectinib, Entrectinib; *RET* fusion: Selpercatinib

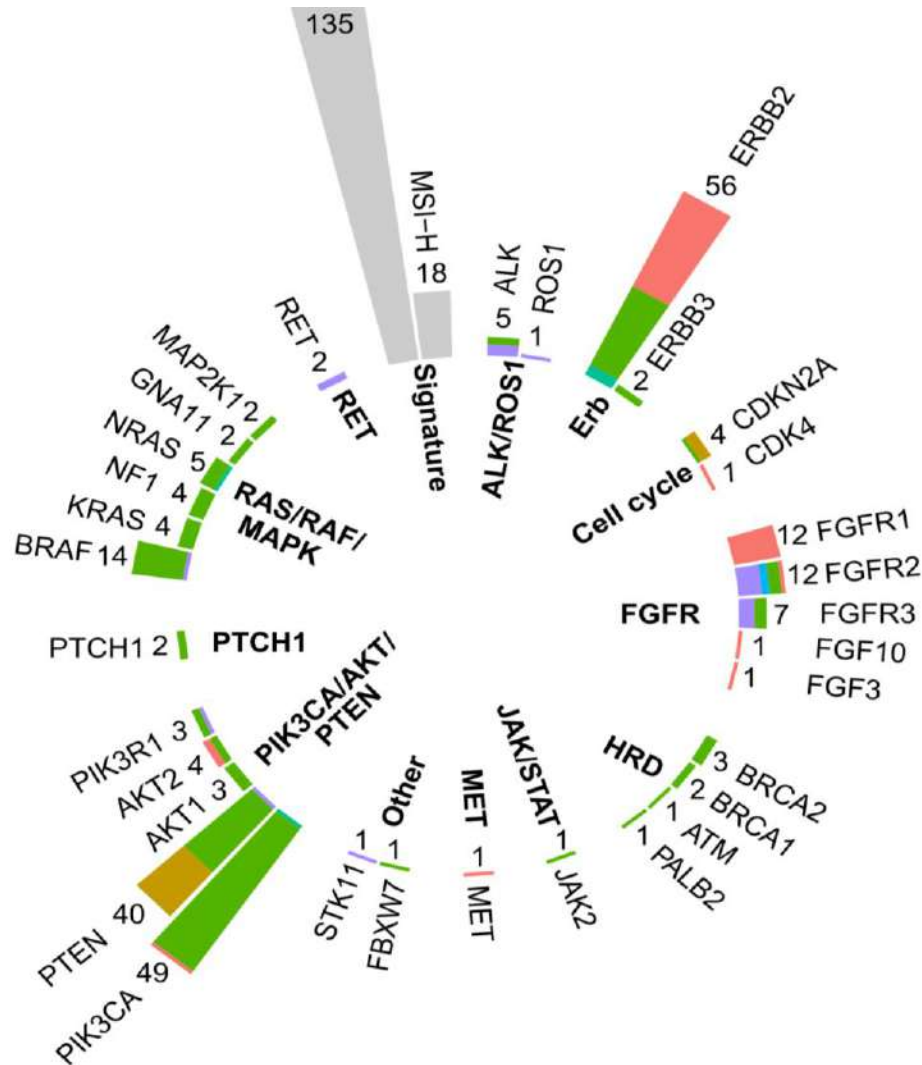
Consider NGS at time of metastatic diagnosis especially for clinical trial eligibility

Next Generation of therapies

Will they address biological
bottlenecks?

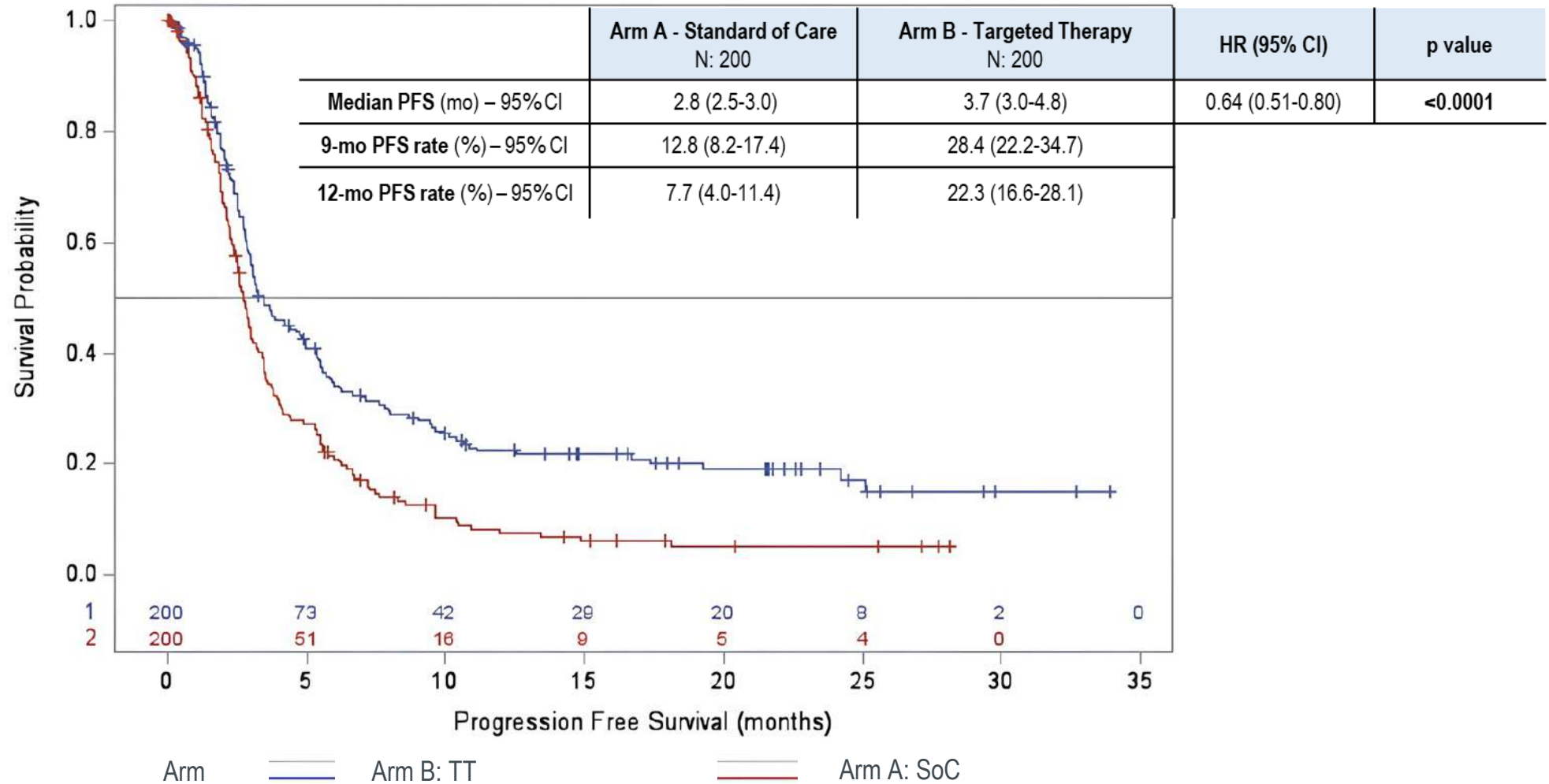
The ROME trial: genomic alterations in ITT population

Alteration Type



Alteration group	Therapy assigned	n
ALK/ROS1	Alectinib	4
	Entrectinib	2
Cell cycle	Palbociclib	5
Erb	TDM1	31
	Pertuzumab + Trastuzumab	12
	Trastuzumab + Lapatinib	11
	Pertuzumab + TDM1	2
	TDM1 + Atezolizumab	1
	Trastuzumab + Everolimus	1
FGFR	Pemigatinib	33
HRD	Talazoparib	7
JAK/STAT	Itacitinib	1
MET	Tepotinib	1
Other	Everolimus	2
	Ipatasertib	66
	Atezolizumab + Ipatasertib	24
PIK3CA/AKT/PTEN	Alpelisib	6
	Everolimus	3
	Vismodegib	2
PTCH1	Vismodegib	2
	Vemurafenib + Cobimetinib	16
	Cobimetinib	14
RAS/RAF/MAPK	Cobimetinib + Atezolizumab	1
	Pralsetinib	1
RET	Selpercatinib	1
	Ipilimumab + Nivolumab	148
Signature	Nivolumab	5

Secondary endpoint: PFS in ITT population



UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

- Any role in re-challenging with immune checkpoint inhibition if PD-L1 + on repeat biopsy?
 - Unlikely unless combining with ADC or other combination (currently only part of clinical trial)
- Any role in re-challenging with PARP inhibitor if already received in adjuvant setting?
 - Unlikely, likely has developed secondary mutations (ie. reversion mutations)
- Given high rate of CNS metastases and some suggestion of newer generation of ADCs having CNS penetration, should we screen all high risk TNBC with CNS imaging? (feasibility trials ongoing)

PALLIATIVE CARE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT AT END OF LIFE



WHO and ASCO recommend comprehensive palliative care programs to improve QOL for cancer patients

Early palliative care for patients with advanced cancer: a cluster-randomised controlled trial

Camilla Zimmermann, Nadia Swami, Monika Krzyzanowska, Breffni Hannon, Natasha Leighl, Amit Oza, Malcolm Moore, Anne Rydall, Gary Rodin, Ian Tannock, Allan Donner, Christopher Lo

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WHERE ARE WE HEADING WITH ANTIBODY DRUG CONJUGATES? ONGOING RESEARCH AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

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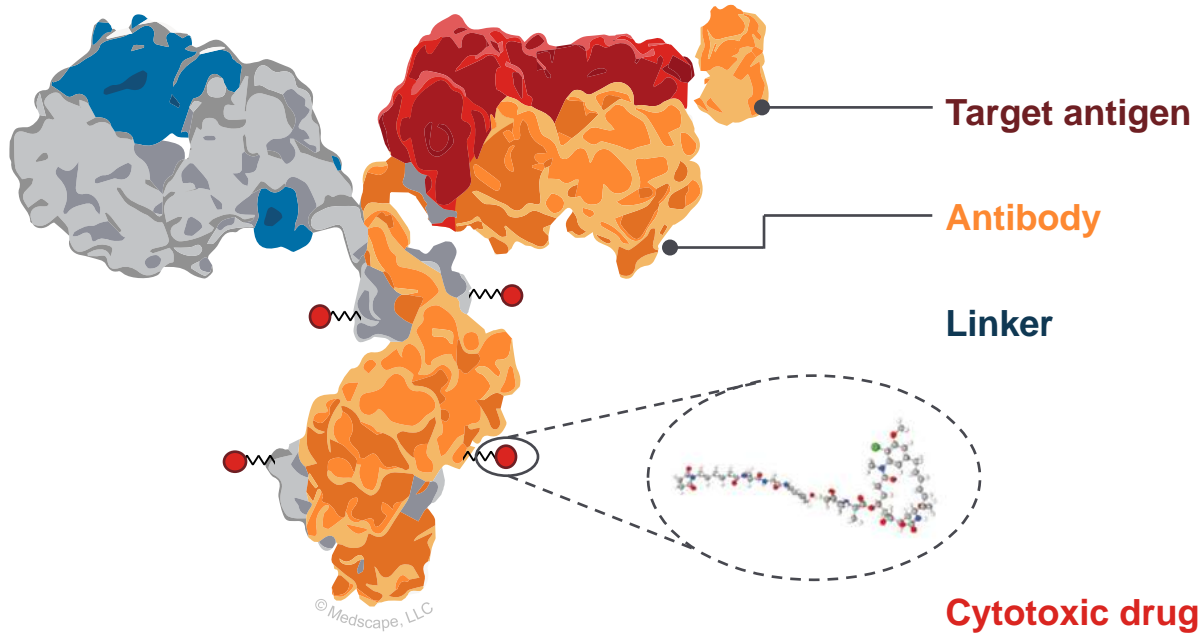
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Core Structure of an ADC



Key Functions

- **Recognition of target cancer cells**
- **Guidance system for cytotoxic drugs**
- **Bridge between antibody and drugs to control release of drugs inside cancer cells**
- **Warhead for killing cancer cells**

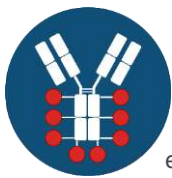
ADCs: Past, Present, Future



eg, T-DM1

First-Generation ADCs

- Noncleavable linkers
- Moderate activity
- Little activity in tumors with low or heterogenous target expression



eg, T-DXd

Second-Generation ADCs

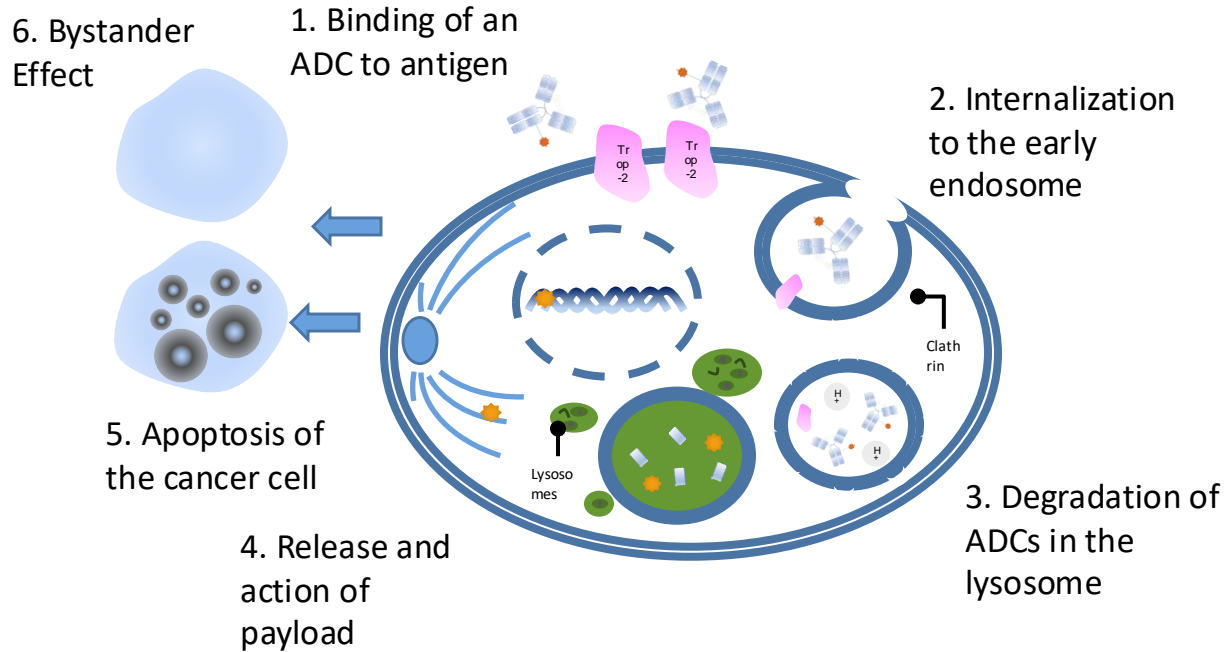
- Improved antibody binding
- Use of more potent payloads
- Higher DAR
- "Bystander effect", with activity against tumors with low or heterogenous target expression



Next-Generation ADCs

- Better optimization of antibody, linkers, and conjugation chemistry
- Biparatopic antibodies
- Multiple payloads
- Innovative payloads (eg, ISACs)

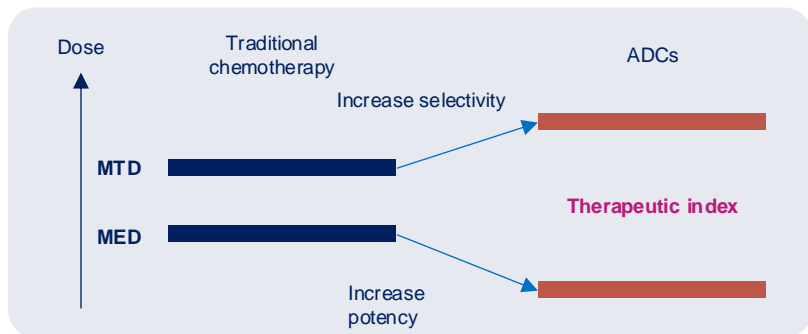
Selective delivery of toxic payload



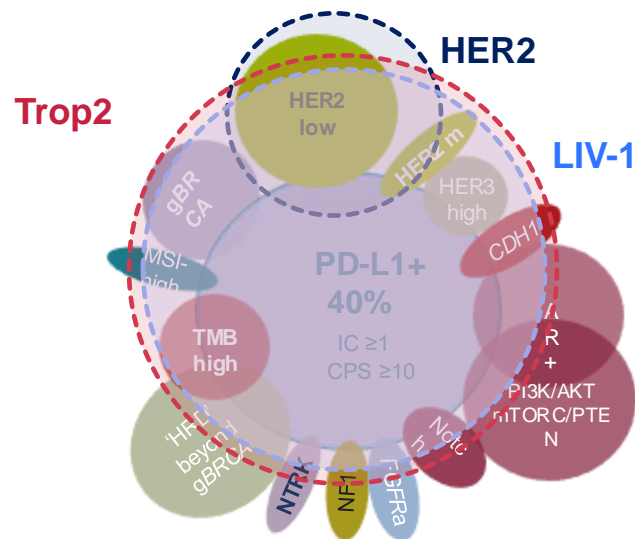
Can we address the limitations of cytotoxic chemotherapy with ADCs?

Limitations of cytotoxic therapy^{1,2}

- Lack of tumour specificity
- Dose-limiting toxicity via systemic exposure of normal cells to cytotoxic agents
- Narrow therapeutic index
- ADCs were designed to have an expanded therapeutic index



ADCs: efficient and specific drug delivery to antigen-expressing tumour cells³

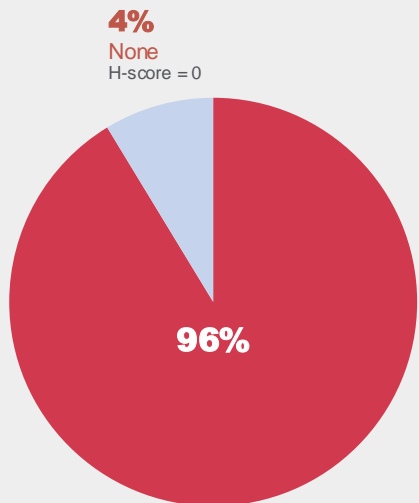


ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; AR+, androgen receptor positive; CDH1 m, pathogenic mutation in CDH1 gene; CPS, combined positive score; ERBB2 m, pathogenic mutation in ERBB2 gene; FGFR a, activating alteration of FGFR1/2/3; gBRCA, germline mutation in BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; HER3, human epidermal growth factor receptor 3; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; IC, immune cells; mTORC, mammalian target of rapamycin complex 1; MED, minimum effective dose; MSI, microsatellite instability; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; NF1 m, pathogenic mutation in NF1 gene; NTRK r, rearrangement of NTRK1, NTRK2 or NTRK3 gene; PD-L1, programmed death-ligand 1; PI3K, phosphoinositide 3-kinases; PTEN, phosphatase and tensin homologs; TMB, tumour mutation burden; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer; TROP2, trophoblast cell surface antigen 2.
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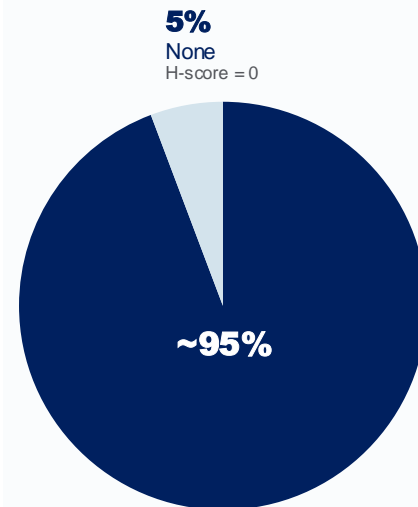
High Trop-2 Expression in mTNBC and HR+/HER2- mBC¹⁻³

Trop-2 is expressed in **96%** of patients with mTNBC¹⁻² and approximately **95%** of patients with HR+/HER2- mBC³

**Trop-2
Expression
in Patients
with
mTNBC
(N=290)*,†1-2**



**Trop-2
Expression in
Patients with
HR+/HER2- mBC
(N=238)‡ § 3**



High Trop-2 expression rates suggest that pre-therapy biomarker assessment is not required¹⁻³.

*Trop-2 expression was determined on primary or metastatic archival tumor tissue; †Trop-2 expression was measured using a validated IHC assay in a central laboratory; ‡Trop-2 expression was determined on primary or metastatic archival tumor tissue; §membrane Trop-2 expression was assessed by a validated research IHC assay at a CAPCLIA central laboratory. HER2-, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2-negative; HR+, hormone receptor-positive; H-score, histochemical score; IHC, immunohistochemistry; mBC, metastatic breast cancer; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer; Trop-2, trophoblast cell surface antigen-2. 1. Hurvitz SA, et al. SABCS [virtual meeting], 2020 (oral presentation GS3-06); 2. Bardia A, et al. *Ann Oncol*. 2021;32(9):1148-1156; 3. Rugo HS, et al. SABCS 2022. Oral presentation GS1-11.

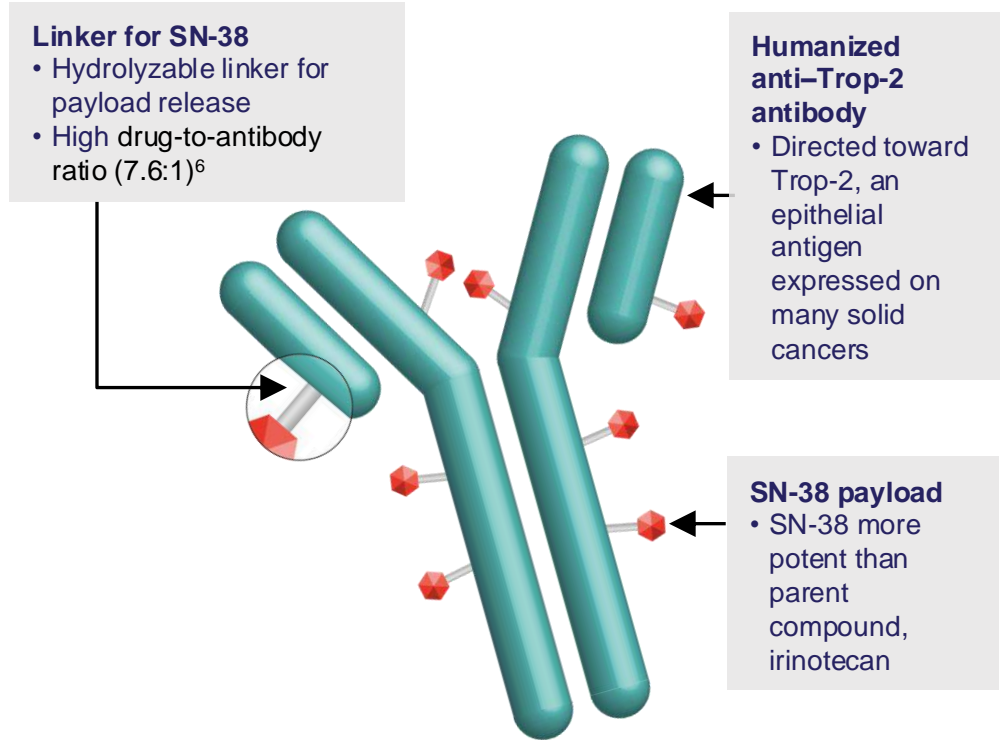
TROP2-directed ADCs

	Sacituzumab govitecan (IMMU-132)	Datopotamab deruxtecan (DS-1062a)	Sacituzumab tirumotecan (MK-2870)
Antibody	hRS7 Humanized IgG1 mAb	MAAP-9001a Humanized IgG1 mAb	hRS7 Humanized IgG1 mAb
Payload	SN38 (DNA Topoisomerase I inhibitor)	DXd (DNA Topoisomerase I inhibitor)	KL610023 (DNA Topoisomerase I inhibitor)
Linker cleavage	Enzymatic and pH-dependent	Enzymatic	Enzymatic and pH-dependent
Bystander effect	Yes	Yes	Yes
DAR	7.6	4	7.4
Half-life	11-14h	~5 days	57h
Dosing	D1, D8 of Q3W schedule	Q3W	Q2W

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Sacituzumab Govitecan (SG) Is a First-in-Class Trop-2–Directed ADC

- Trop-2 is expressed in all subtypes of breast cancer and linked to poor prognosis^{1,2}
- SG is distinct from other ADCs³⁻⁶
 - Antibody highly specific for Trop-2
 - High drug-to-antibody ratio (7.6:1)
 - Internalization and enzymatic cleavage by tumor cell not required for the liberation of SN-38 from the antibody
 - Hydrolysis of the linker also releases the SN-38 cytotoxic extracellularly in the tumor microenvironment, providing a bystander effect
- Granted accelerated approval by the FDA for metastatic TNBC and fast-track designation in metastatic urothelial cancer⁷



ADC, antibody–drug conjugate; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer; Trop-2, trophoblast cell surface antigen 2.

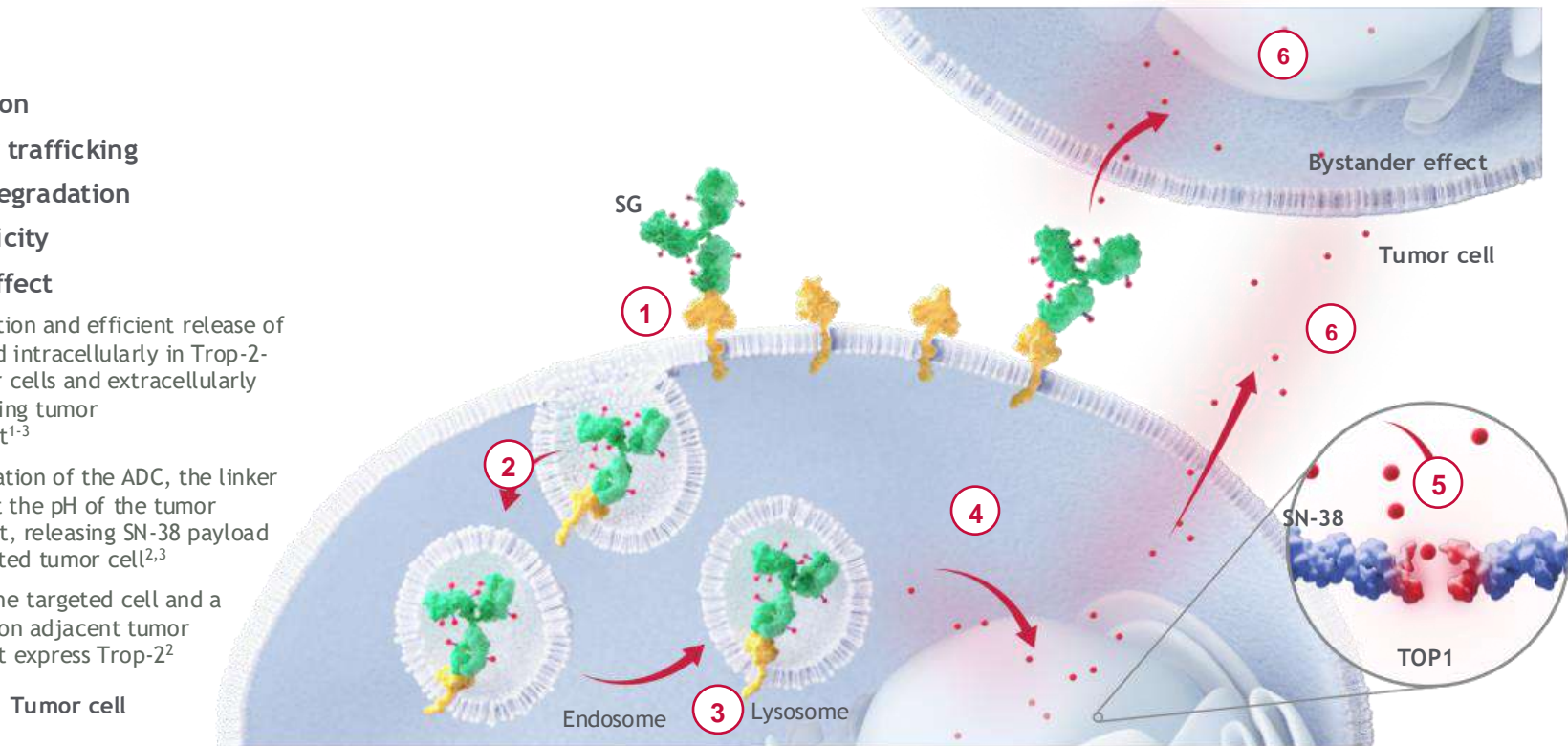
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SG Is a First-in-Class Trop-2-Directed ADC That Concentrates SN-38 Payload Intracellularly and in the Surrounding Tumor Microenvironment

- 1) Binding
- 2) Internalization
- 3) Intracellular trafficking
- 4) Lysosomal degradation
- 5) Cell cytotoxicity
- 6) Bystander effect

- Rapid internalization and efficient release of the SN-38 payload intracellularly in Trop-2-expressing cancer cells and extracellularly into the surrounding tumor microenvironment¹⁻³
- Before internalization of the ADC, the linker can be cleaved at the pH of the tumor microenvironment, releasing SN-38 payload outside the targeted tumor cell^{2,3}
- DNA damage to the targeted cell and a bystander effect on adjacent tumor cells that may not express Trop-2²



Cell death due to DNA damage

¹Adapted from Rugo HS, et al.²

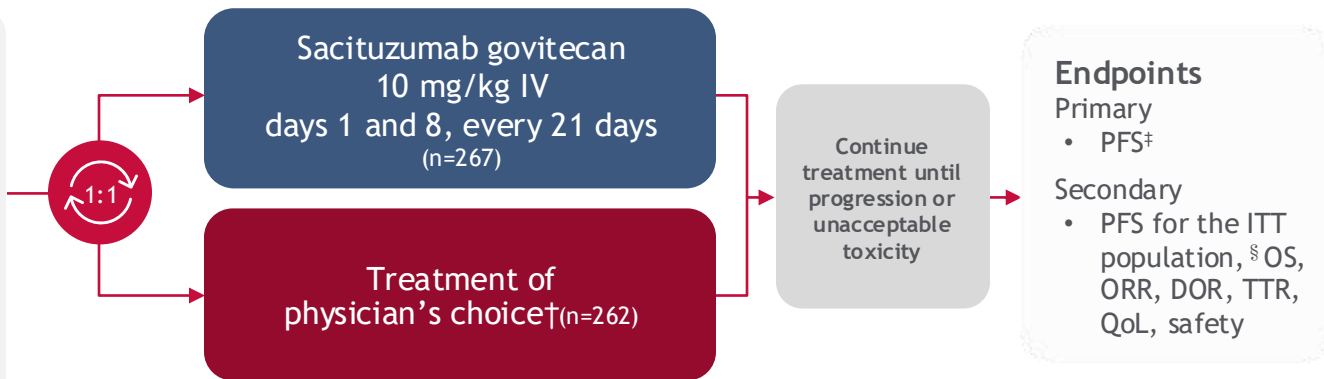
ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; DNA, deoxyribonucleic acid; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TOP1, topoisomerase I; Trop-2, trophoblast cell-surface antigen 2.

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ASCENT: A phase 3 confirmatory study of sacituzumab govitecan in 2L and later mTNBC^{1-3*}

Metastatic TNBC

- ≥2 chemotherapies - one of which could be in neo/adjuvant setting provided progression occurred within a 12-months period
- Patients with stable brain metastasis were allowed (N=529)



Stratification factors

- Number of prior chemotherapies (2 or 3 vs >3)
- Geographic region (North America vs Europe)
- Presence/absence of known brain metastases (Yes/No)

NCT02574455

*ASCENT was an international, Phase 3, multicentre, open-label, randomised trial of patients with unresectable locally advanced or metastatic TNBC (N=529). †Treatment of physician's choice: eribulin, vinorelbine, gemcitabine, or capecitabine; ‡PFS measured by an independent centralised and blinded group of radiology experts who assessed tumour response using RECIST 1.1 criteria in patients without brain metastasis; §The full population or intention-to-treat population includes all randomised patients (with and without brain metastases).

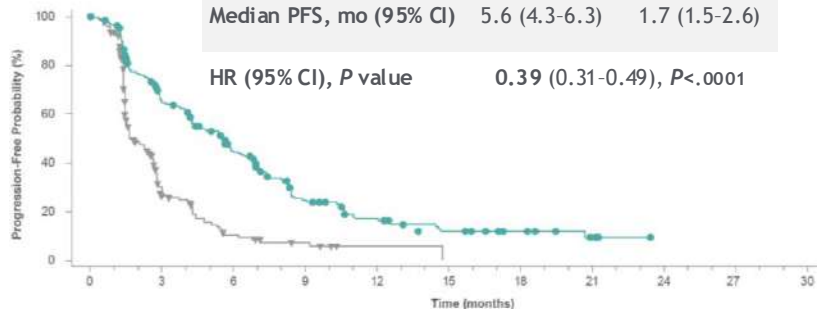
DOR, duration of response; IV, intravenous; ITT, intention-to-treat; mTNBC, metastatic triple-negative breast cancer; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumours; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer; TTR, time to response; QoL, quality of life.

ASCENT: Statistically significant and clinically meaningful improvement in PFS and OS (BMNeg Population)

The ASCENT trial demonstrated statistically significant improvement in PFS and OS over single-agent chemotherapy in the primary study population

Progression-free survival (BICR Analysis)

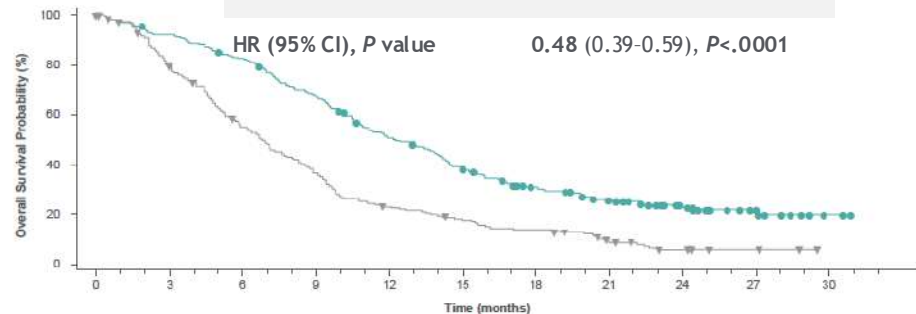
BICR Analysis	SG (n=235)	TPC (n=233)
No. of events	167	150
Median PFS, mo (95% CI)	5.6 (4.3-6.3)	1.7 (1.5-2.6)
HR (95% CI), P value	0.39 (0.31-0.49), P<.0001	



No. of Patients Still at Risk	Time (months)																								
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
IMMU-122	235	222	166	134	127	104	81	63	54	37	35	24	22	17	16	13	11	10	8	6	5	3	1	1	0
SG	235	222	166	134	127	104	81	63	54	37	35	24	22	17	16	13	11	10	8	6	5	3	1	1	0
TPC	233	179	78	35	32	19	12	9	7	6	4	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Overall survival

	SG (n=235)	TPC (n=233)
No. of events	173	199
Median OS, mo (95% CI)	12.1 (10.7-14.0)	6.7 (5.8-7.7)
HR (95% CI), P value	0.48 (0.39-0.59), P<.0001	

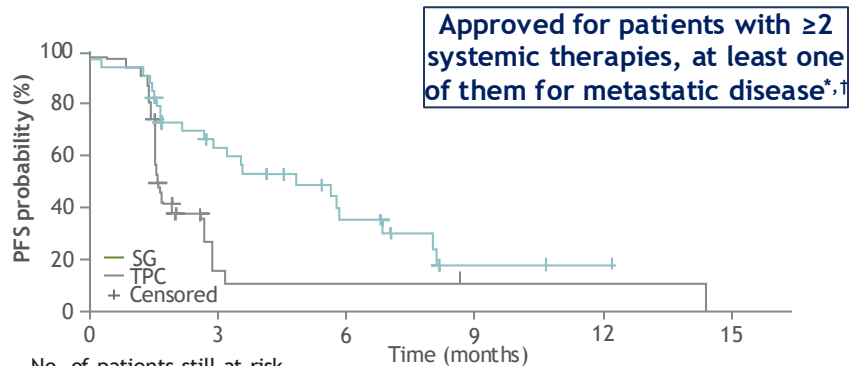


No. of Patients Still at Risk	Time (months)																														
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IMMU-122	236	220	220	214	206	197	191	177	164	156	140	122	113	106	97	86	74	66	59	56	46	40	36	26	17	14	11	7	4	2	
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TPC	233	214	200	173	156	134	117	101	90	77	58	53	47	44	40	35	30	28	27	24	22	13	11	7	6	4	3	3	2	1	0

- Analysis based on final database lock confirmed the improvement in clinical outcomes over TPC:
 - Median PFS of 5.6 vs 1.7 months (HR 0.39, P<0.0001)
 - Median OS of 12.1 vs 6.7 months (HR 0.48, P<0.0001)
 - OS rate at 24 months of 22.4% (95% CI, 16.8-28.5) vs 5.2% (95% CI, 2.5-9.4)**

ASCENT: In patients with 2L mTNBC, PFS and OS improvement was consistent with the overall study population

Progression-free survival



No. of patients still at risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15
SG	33	32	23	19	16	12
TCP	32	28	8	3	2	2

BICR Analysis

SG (n=33)

TPC (n=32)

No. of events

21

23

Median PFS - mo (95% CI)

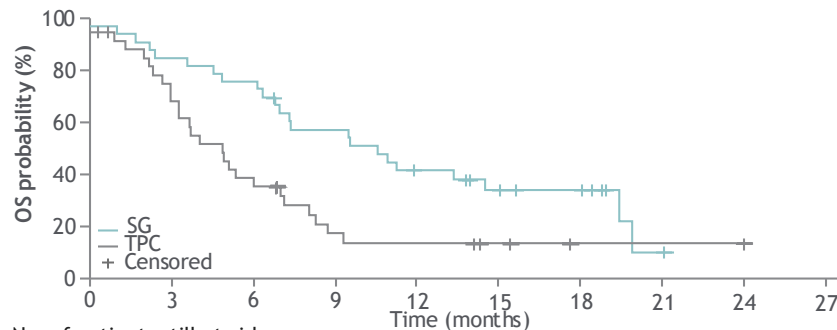
5.7 (2.6-8.1)

1.5 (1.4-2.6)

HR (95% CI)

0.41 (0.22-0.76)

Overall survival



No. of patients still at risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27																
SG	33	32	31	29	28	26	26	21	19	19	17	15	13	13	11	9	7	7	7	4	2	1	0	0	0	0
TCP	32	29	27	22	17	14	12	10	8	6	5	5	5	5	5	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0

BICR Analysis

SG (n=33)

TPC (n=32)

No. of events

22

24

Median OS—mo. (95% CI)

10.9 (6.9-19.5)

4.9 (3.1-7.1)

HR (95% CI)

0.51 (0.28-0.91)

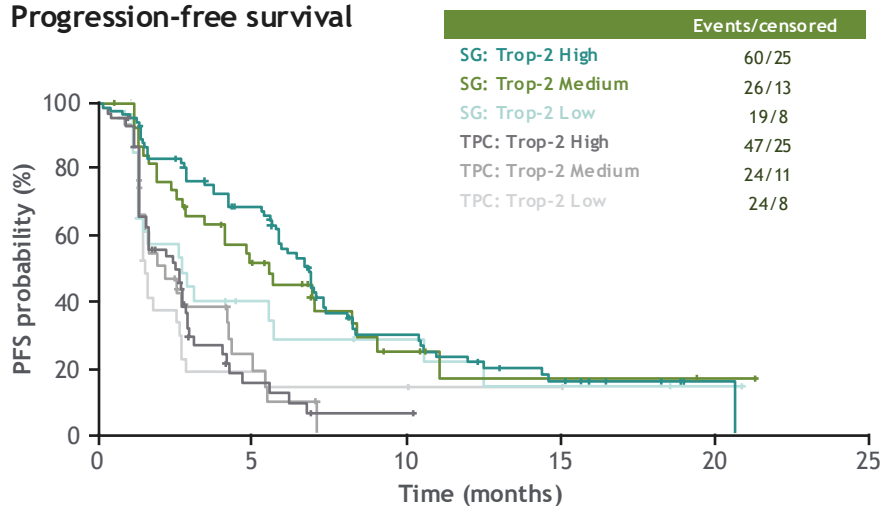
†sacituzumab govitecanSummary of Product Characteristics. Gilead Sciences Ireland UC. https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/documents/product-information/trodelyv-epar-product-information_en.pdf

Assessed by independent central review in the brain-metastasis-negative population who recurred ≤ 12 months after (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy and received one line of therapy in the metastatic setting prior to study enrolment. BICR, blind independent central review; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; PFS, progression-free survival; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

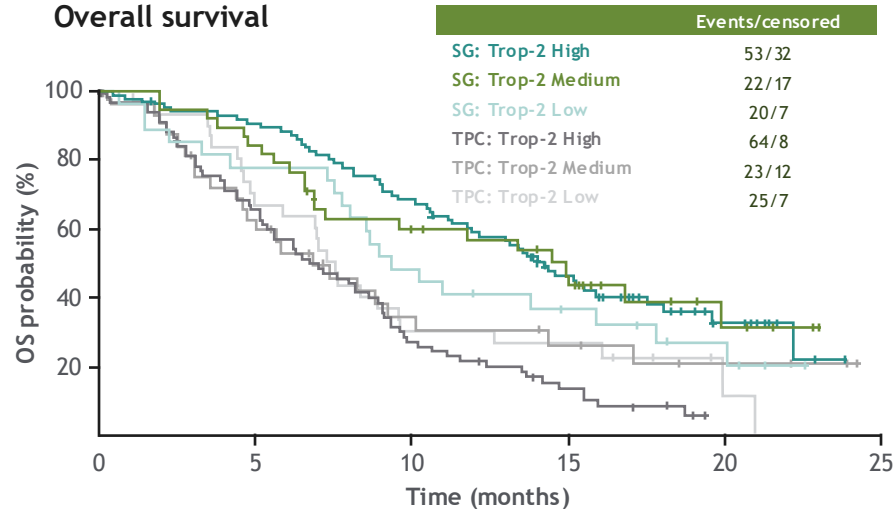
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Clinical benefit with SG vs TPC is irrespective of level of Trop-2 expression, in previously treated mTNBC

Progression-free survival



Overall survival

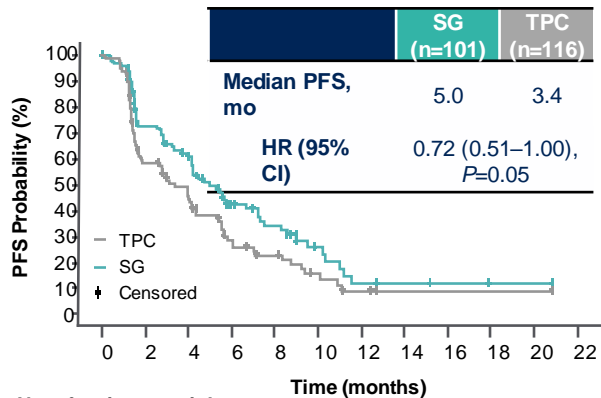


	Trop-2 High; H-score: 200-300		Trop-2 Medium; H-score: 100-200		Trop-2 Low; H-score: <100	
	SG (n=85)	TPC (n=72)	SG (n=39)	TPC (n=35)	SG (n=27)	TPC (n=32)
Median PFS, mo (95% CI)	6.9 (5.8-7.4)	2.5 (1.5-2.9)	5.6 (2.9-8.2)	2.2 (1.4-4.3)	2.7 (1.4-5.8)	1.6 (1.4-2.7)
Median OS, mo (95% CI)	14.2 (11.3-17.5)	6.9 (5.3-8.9)	14.9 (6.9-NE)	6.9 (4.6-10.1)	9.3 (7.5-17.8)	7.6 (5.0-9.6)

Assessed in brain-metastases-negative population. Trop-2 expression determined in archival samples by validated immunohistochemistry assay and H-scoring. H-score, histochemical score; NE, not estimable; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice; Trop-2, trophoblast cell surface antigen-2.
 1. Hurvitz SA, et al. Oral presentation. SABCS [Virtual meeting] 2020. (Abstract GS3-06).

SG Improved PFS vs TPC in HER2 IHC0 and HER2-Low Groups, Consistent with Outcomes in the ITT Population

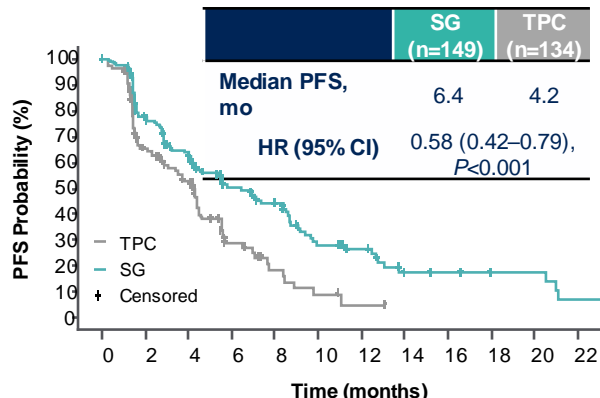
HER2 IHC0



No. of patients at risk

TPC	116	53	39	20	14	7	3	1	1	1	0
SG	101	64	50	27	20	9	4	3	2	1	0

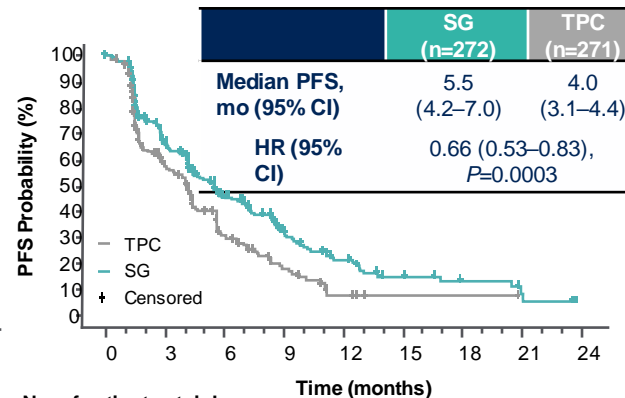
HER2-Low^a



No. of patients at risk

TPC	134	65	43	16	8	4	1	0	0	0	0
SG	149	99	77	50	38	22	16	8	7	5	2

ITT¹



No. of patients at risk

TPC	271	105	41	17	4	1	1	0
SG	272	148	82	44	22	12	6	3

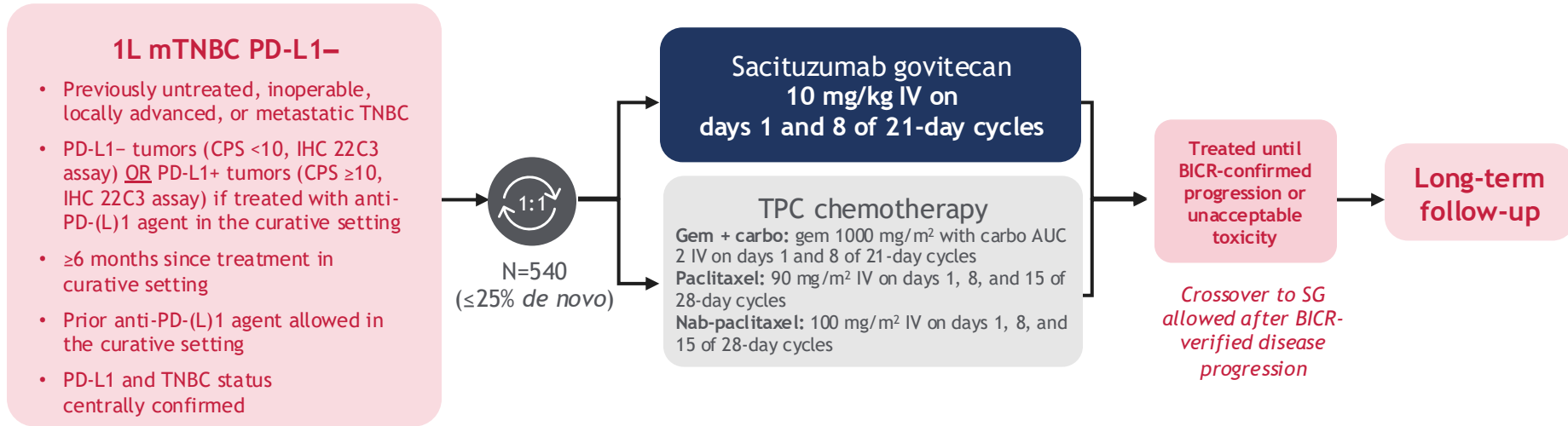
- Within the HER2-Low population, median PFS with SG vs TPC for the IHC1+ and IHC2+ subgroups was 7.0 vs 4.3 (HR, 0.57) and 5.6 vs 4.0 (HR, 0.58) months, respectively
- Median PFS in a sensitivity analysis of the HER2-Low subgroup did not show any differences compared with the ITT population

^aHER2-Low defined as IHC1+, or IHC2+ and ISH-negative/unavailable.

HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; IHC, immunohistochemistry; ISH, in situ hybridization; PFS, progression-free survival; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

1. Rugo H, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2022. In press.

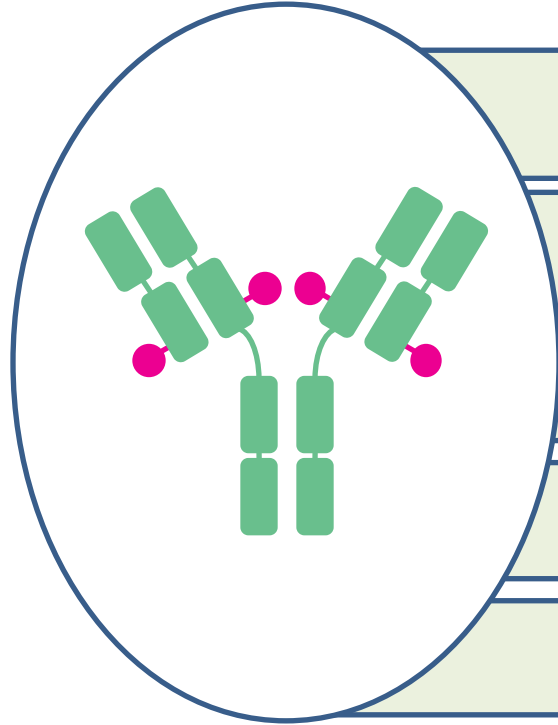
ASCENT 03: Sacituzumab govitecan vs TPC (Gem + carbo, paclitaxel, Nab-paclitaxel) in 1L PD-L1– mTNBC, NCT05382299



Stratification Factors:

- *De novo* vs recurrent disease within 6-12 months of treatment in the curative setting vs recurrent disease >12 months after treatment in the curative setting
- Geographic region

Datopotamab Deruxtecan (Dato-DXd): TROP2 ADC IN DEVELOPMENT



Circulating free payload is negligible due to high stability of the linker, thereby limiting systemic exposure or nontargeted delivery of the payload¹

High-potency membrane-permeable payload (DXd) that requires TROP2-mediated internalization for release²

DS-1062 has a DAR of 4 for optimized therapeutic index²

DS-1062 has a substantially **longer half-life** than SG (\approx 5 days vs 11-14 hours), enabling a more optimal dosing regimen³

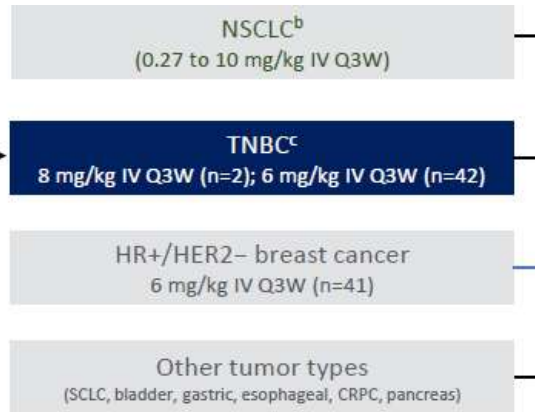
SG's DLT is neutropenia, while DS-1062's DLTs are maculopapular rash and stomatitis/mucosal inflammation⁴⁻⁶

Dato-DXd in Advanced TNBC

TROPION-PanTumor01 Study

Study Design

- Advanced/unresectable or metastatic HR-/HER2- (IHC 0/1+ or IHC2+/ISH-) breast cancer
- Relapsed or progressed after local standard treatments
- Unselected for TROP2 expression^a
- Age ≥18 years (US) or ≥20 years (Japan)
- ECOG PS 0-1
- Measurable disease per RECIST 1.1
- Stable, treated brain metastases allowed



Primary objectives

- Safety
- Tolerability

Secondary objectives^d

- Efficacy^e
- Pharmacokinetics
- Antidrug antibodies

TROPION-PanTumor01 Study: Dato-DXd

Efficacy

ORR by BICR:

- All patients: **32%**
- Topo I inhibitor-naïve patients: **44%**

mDOR: 16.8 months in both groups

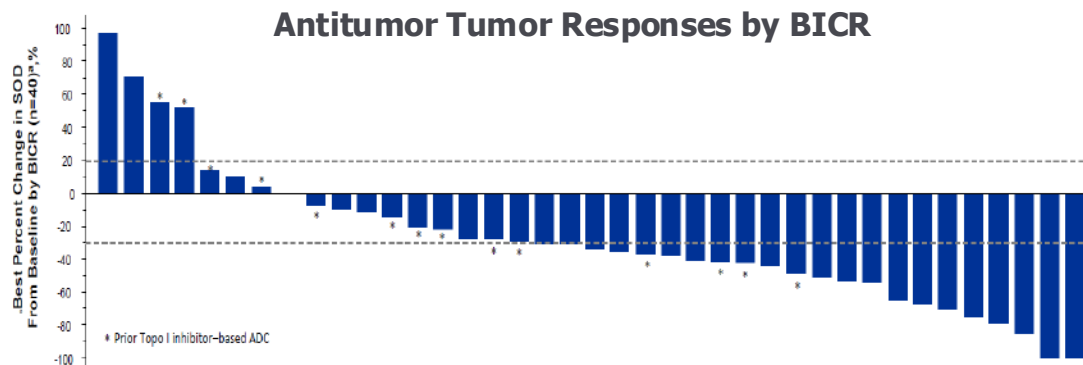
mPFS:

- All patients: 4.4 months
- Topo I inhibitor-naïve patients: 7.3 months

mOS:

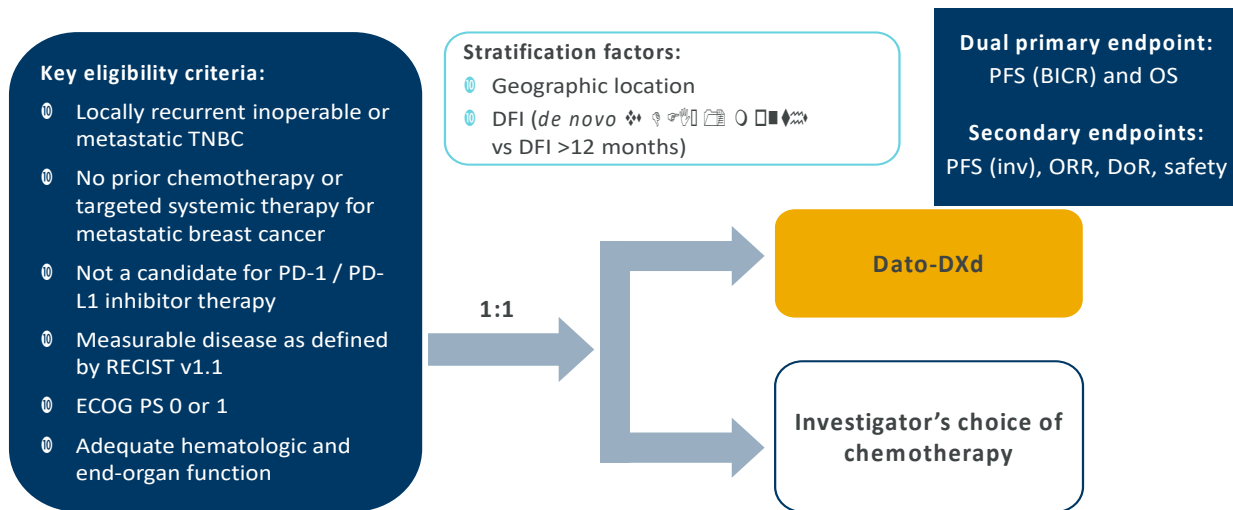
- All patients: 13.5 months
- Topo I inhibitor-naïve patients: 14.3 months

AEs: Most common TEAEs: stomatitis (73%),
nausea (66%), vomiting (39%)



Ongoing Phase 3 Clinical Trials with Dato-DXd in 1L

TROPION-Breast02¹



- 1st line therapy for TNBC
- PD-L1 negative

Design of Sacituzumab Tirumotecan (sac-TMT)

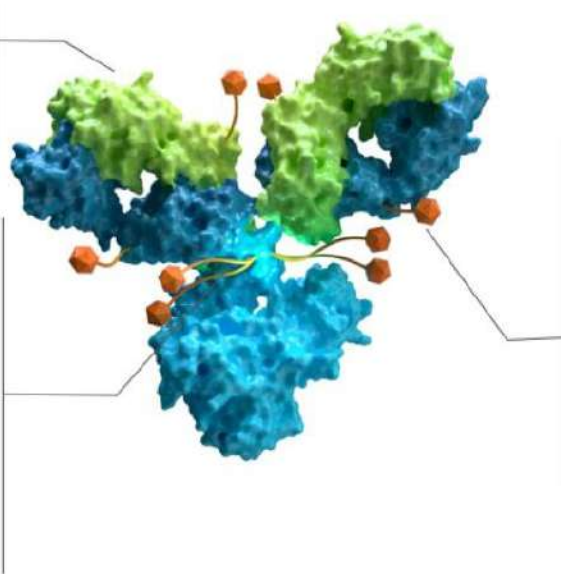
Sac-TMT is a TROP2 ADC developed with a proprietary Kthiol (pyrimidine-thiol) linker conjugated to a novel topoisomerase I inhibitor at DAR 7.4. The features of sac-TMT lead to release of the payload both in the tumor microenvironment (TME) and inside tumor cells, achieving a balance between safety and efficacy.

Antibody

- hRS7, a recombinant humanized anti-TROP2 antibody with high affinity

Linker

- **Kthiol conjugation:** irreversible coupling to improve stability of ADC
- **Payload release:** intracellular cleavage and extracellular hydrolysis in TME
- **Balanced stability:** balance between efficacy and safety to expand therapeutic window



Payload

- **Novel topo I inhibitor** (a belotecan derivative), highly active
- Average **DAR: 7.4** (range: 7–8)
- **Bystander effect**
- Methylsulfonyl derivatization enhances linker stability and toxin permeability

ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; DAR, drug-to-antibody ratio; TME, tumor microenvironment; TROP2, trophoblast cell surface antigen 2.

OptiTROP-Breast01: Randomized, Controlled, Open-Label Phase III Study (NCT05347134)

Patients with locally recurrent or metastatic TNBC

- Relapsed or refractory to 2 or more prior chemotherapy regimens for unresectable, locally advanced or metastatic disease
 - For prior therapy, 1 could be in the (neo)adjuvant setting, provided progression occurred during treatment or within 12 months after treatment discontinuation
- Received taxane(s) in any setting

R
1:1

Sac-TMT,
5 mg/kg IV, every 2 weeks

Physician's choice of
chemotherapy:
eribulin, capecitabine,
gemcitabine, or vinorelbine

Treatment until
disease
progression,
unacceptable
toxicity or any
other reason for
discontinuation

Endpoints^a

Primary

- PFS by BICR

Secondary

- OS
- PFS by investigator assessment
- ORR, DOR
- Safety

Stratification factors

- Line of prior therapy (2–3 vs >3)
- Presence of liver metastases (yes vs no)

Tumor assessment

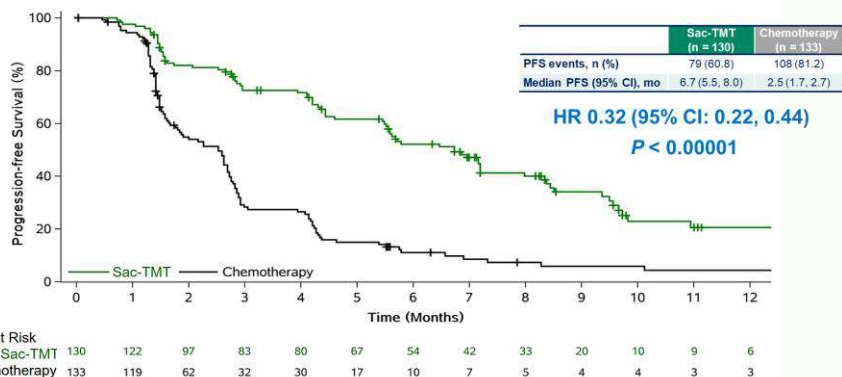
- Every 6 weeks for the first year and every 12 weeks afterward.

^aTumor response was assessed using RECIST version 1.1.

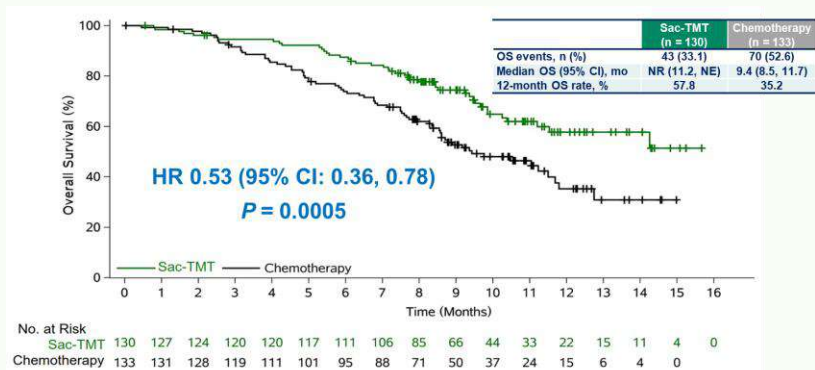
BICR, blinded independent central review; DOR, duration of response; IV, intravenous; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; R, randomization; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer.

OptiTROP-Breast01: Sac-TMT vs TPC in 2L+ mTNBC

PFS

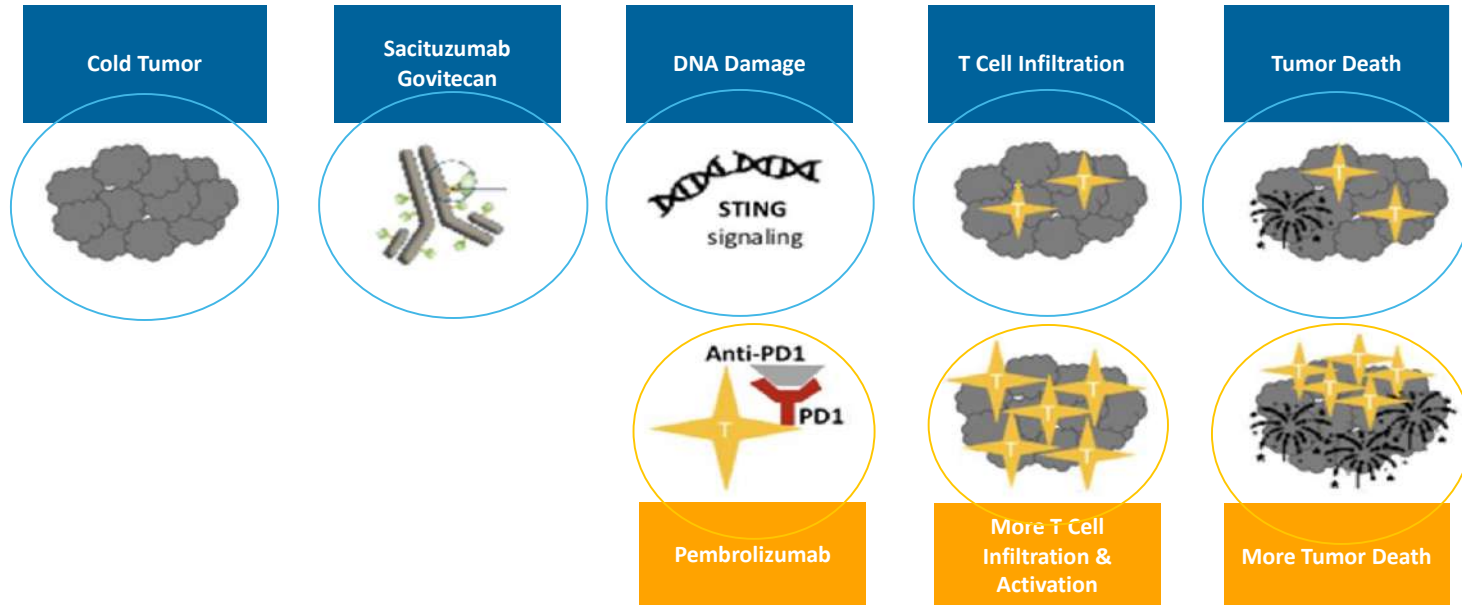


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Fan Yet et al. ASCO 2024. Zu B et al. J Clin Oncol. 2024;42(16_suppl).

Can we combine ADCs with checkpoint inhibition?

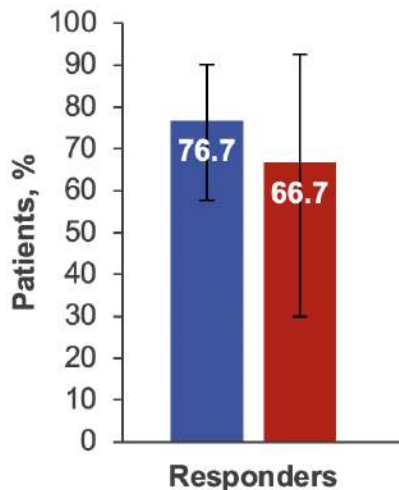


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MORPHEUS: SG + ICI in 1L mTNBC

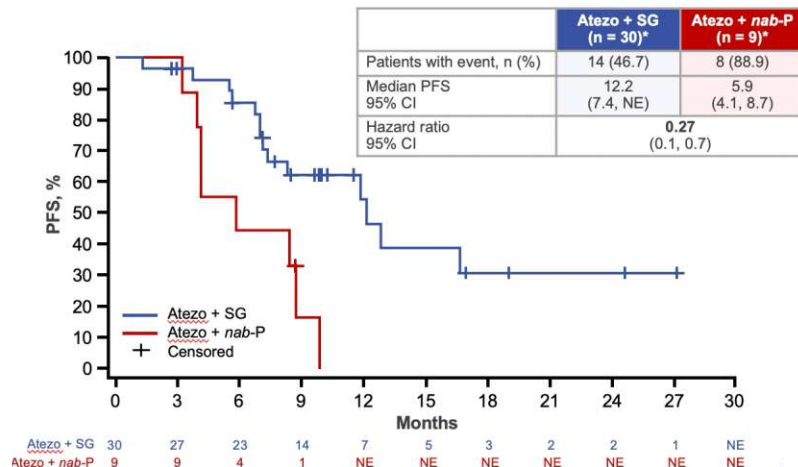
SG + Atezolizumab in 1L PD-L1+ mTNBC

Confirmed ORR = 76.7% (17% CR)



■ Atezo + SG (n = 30*) ■ Atezo + nab-P (n = 9*)

Median PFS: 12.2 mo



PFS data were immature at this analysis

Schmid P et al. ESMO Breast 2024.

ADC + ICI in 1L PD-L1+ mTNBC

TROPION-Breast05: Dato-DXd + Durvalumab vs. TPC + Pembrolizumab in 1L PD-L1+ mTNBC

1L mTNBC PD-L1-positive

- Previously untreated, inoperable, locally advanced or metastatic TNBC
- PD-L1+ (CPS ≥ 10 , IHC 22C3 assay)
- PD-L1 status centrally confirmed
- Prior anti-PD-(L)1 allowed in curative setting
- ≥ 6 months since treatment in curative setting

Stratification Factors:

- Disease-free interval
- Geographic region
- Prior PD-1/PD-L1 treatment for early TNBC

Datopotamab deruxtecan + Durvalumab

1:1

ICC + Pembrolizumab
(gemcitabine/carboplatin, paclitaxel, nab-paclitaxel)

Treatment until PD or unacceptable toxicity

NCT06103864

ASCENT-04: Sacituzumab govitecan + Pembrolizumab vs. TPC + Pembrolizumab in 1L PD-L1+ mTNBC

1L mTNBC PD-L1-positive

- Previously untreated, inoperable, locally advanced or metastatic TNBC
- PD-L1+ (CPS ≥ 10 , IHC 22C3 assay)
- PD-L1 and TNBC status centrally confirmed
- Prior anti-PD-(L)1 allowed in curative setting
- ≥ 6 months since treatment in curative setting

Stratification Factors:

- De novo vs. recurrent disease within 6-12 mo. of treatment in curative setting vs. recurrent disease >12 mo. after treatment in curative setting
- Geographic region (US/Canada vs. rest of world)
- Prior exposure to anti-PD-(L)1 therapy

Sacituzumab govitecan + Pembrolizumab

1:1

TPC chemotherapy + Pembrolizumab
(gemcitabine/carboplatin, paclitaxel, nab-paclitaxel)

Treatment until PD or unacceptable toxicity

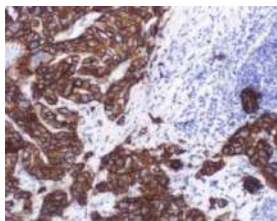
*Crossover to SG allowed after BICR-verified progression

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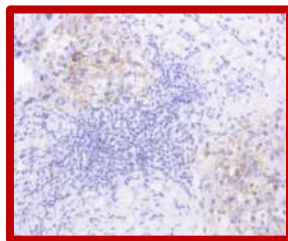
Prevalence of HER2-low by HR-status

HER2 IHC examples

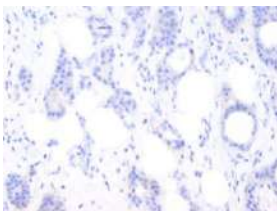
HER2+



HER2-low



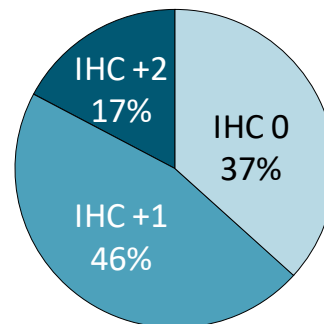
HER2-



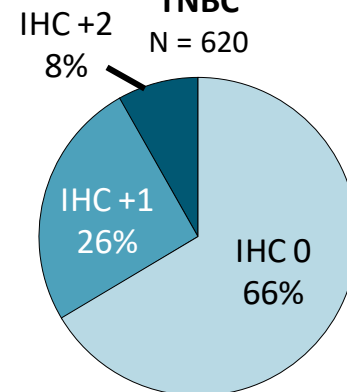
HER2-negative

HR+ Disease

N = 2,485



TNBC
N = 620

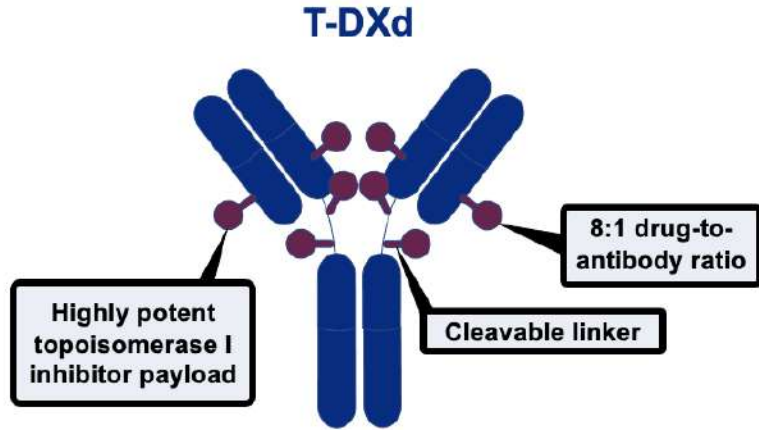


■ IHC 0 ■ IHC +1 ■ IHC +2

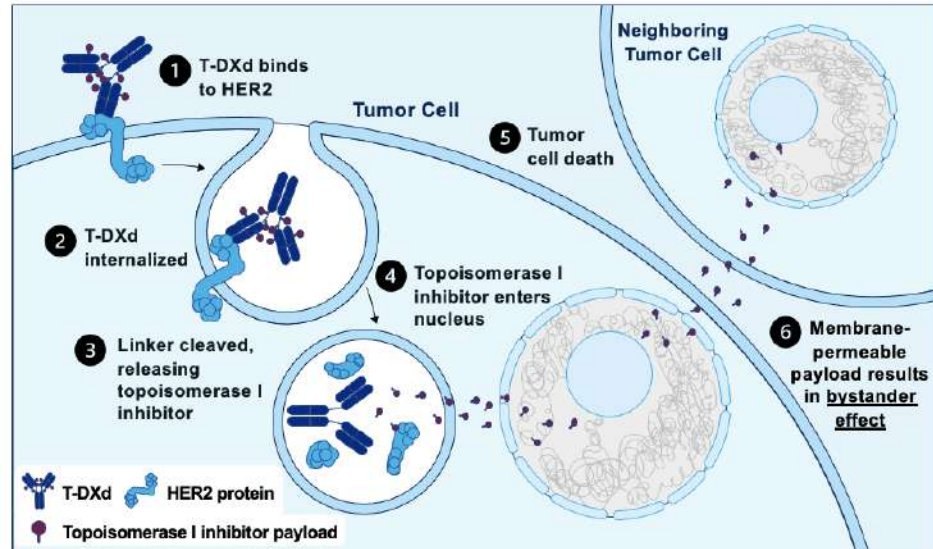
- 34% to 63% of breast cancer patients considered HER2-negative under current guidelines express low levels of HER2

Trastuzumab Deruxtecan (T-DXd)

STRUCTURE AND MECHANISM OF ACTION

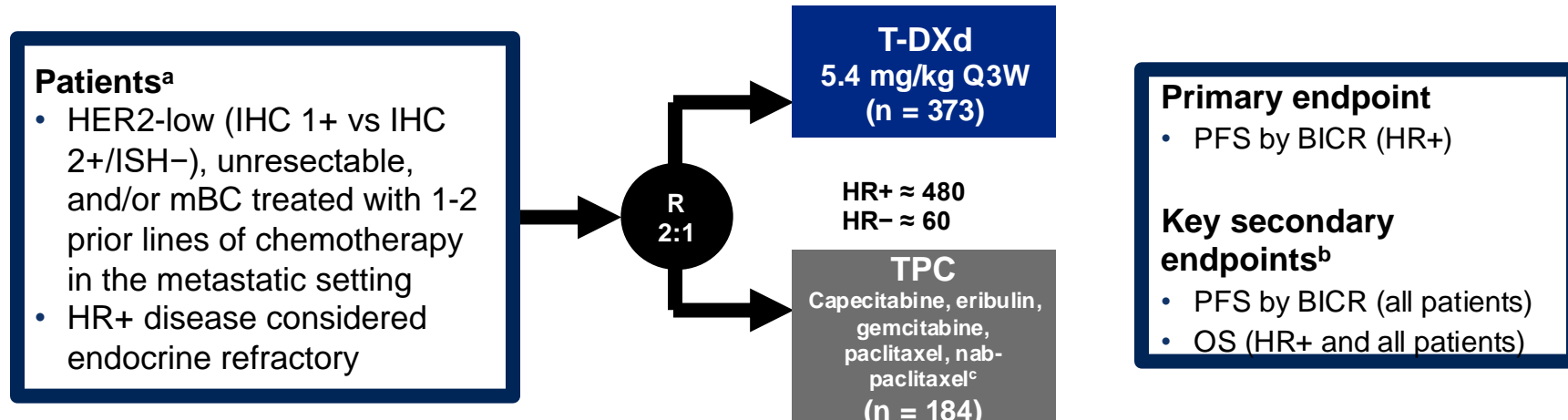


Internalization of T-DXd leads to release of the DXd payload and subsequent cell death in the target tumor cell and neighboring tumor cells through the bystander effect



DESTINY-Breast04: First Randomized Phase 3 Study of T-DXd for HER2-low mBC

An open-label, multicenter study (NCT03734029)



Stratification factors

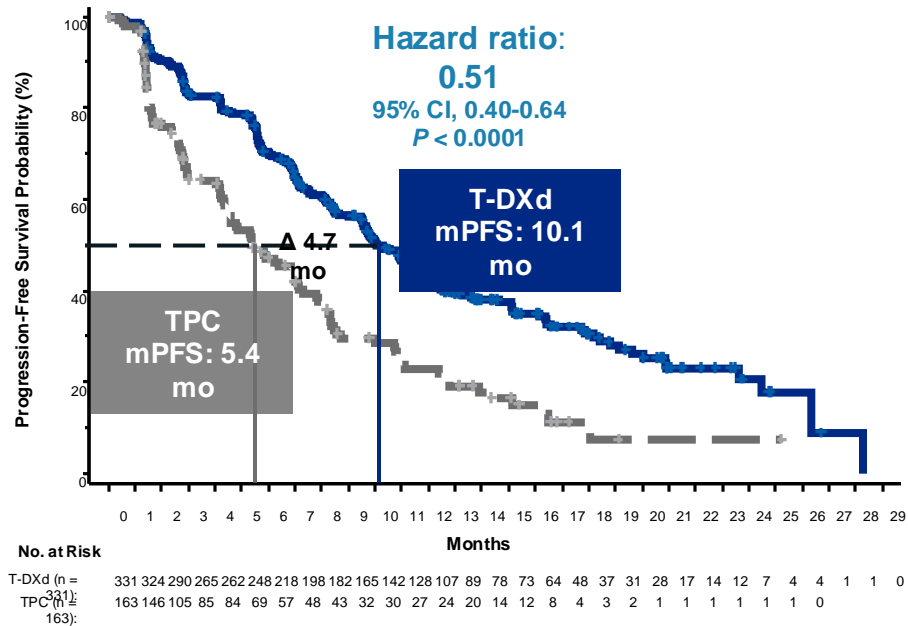
- Centrally assessed HER2 status^d (IHC 1+ vs IHC 2+/ISH-)
- 1 versus 2 prior lines of chemotherapy
- HR+ (with vs without prior treatment with CDK4/6 inhibitor) versus HR-

ASCO/CAP, American Society of Clinical Oncology/College of American Pathologists; BICR, blinded independent central review; CDK, cyclin-dependent kinase; DOR, duration of response; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; HR, hormone receptor; IHC, immunohistochemistry; ISH, in situ hybridization; mBC, metastatic breast cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; Q3W, every 3 weeks; R, randomization; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

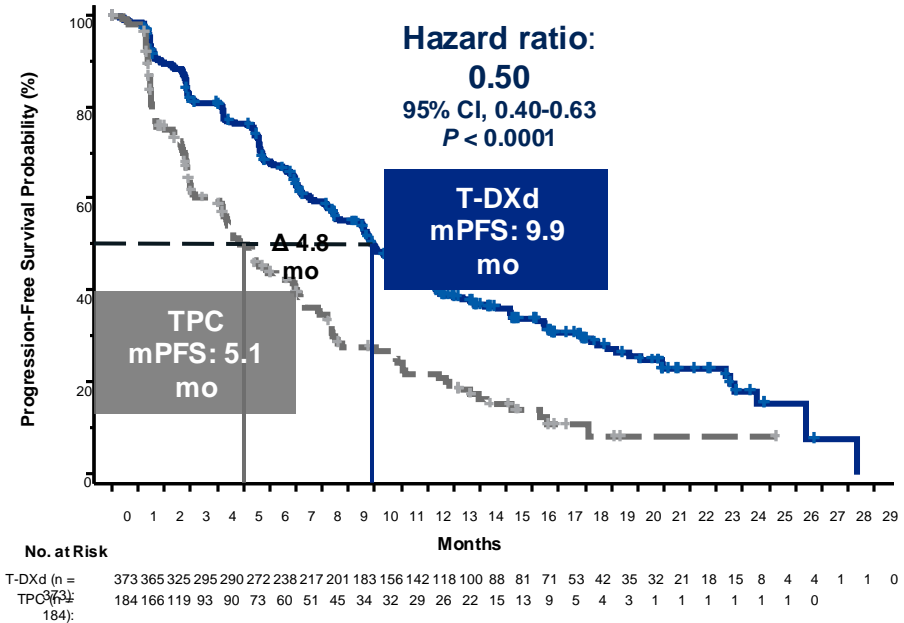
^aIf patients had HR+ mBC, prior endocrine therapy was required. ^bOther secondary endpoints included ORR (BICR and investigator), DOR (BICR), PFS (investigator), and safety; efficacy in the HR- cohort was an exploratory endpoint. ^cTPC was administered accordingly to the label. ^dPerformed on adequate archived or recent tumor biopsy per ASCO/CAP guidelines using the VENTANA HER2/neu (4B5) investigational use only [IUO] Assay system.

DB04- PFS in HR+ and All Patients

Hormone receptor-positive



All patients

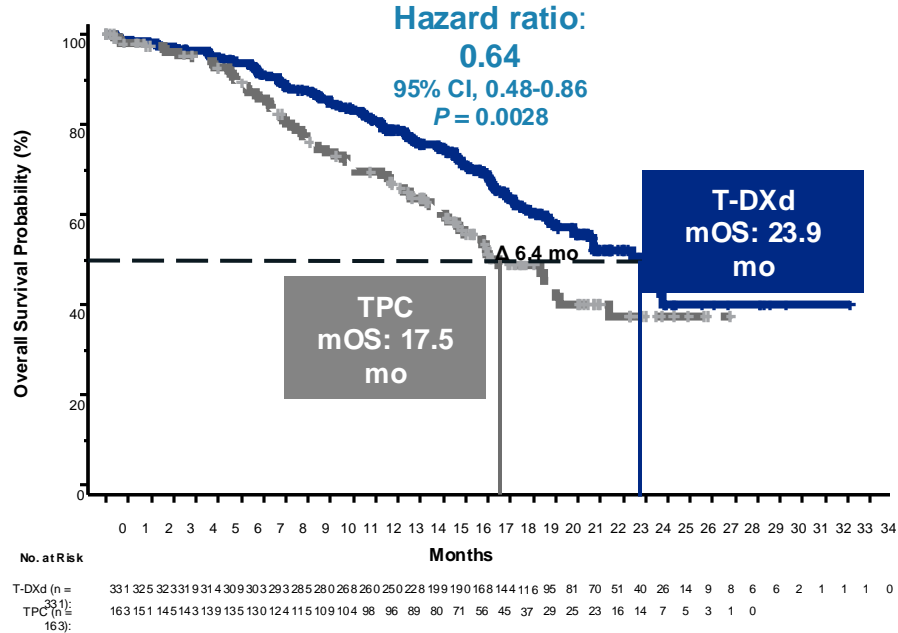


PFS by blinded independent central review.

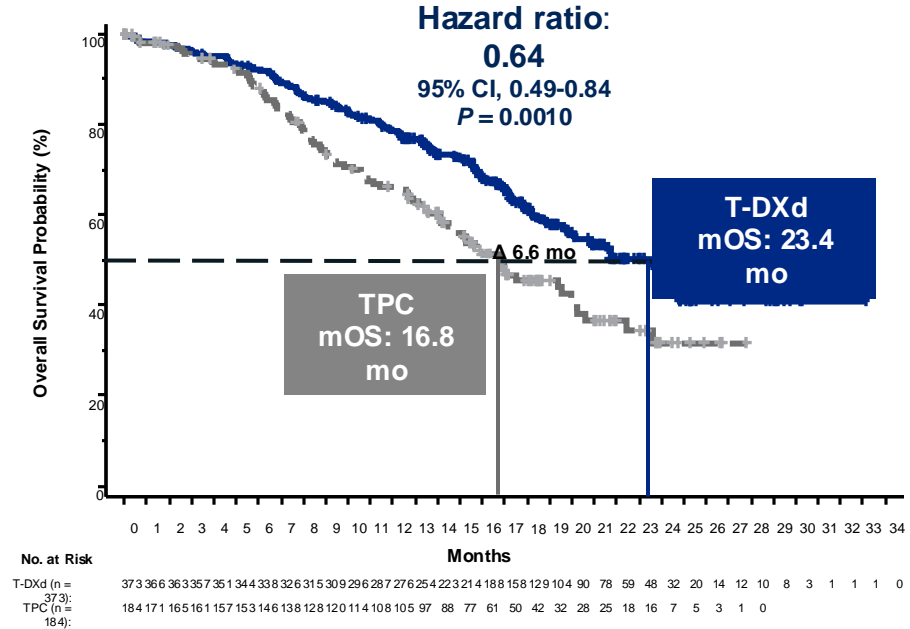
HR, hormone receptor; mPFS, median progression-free survival; PFS, progression-free survival; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

DB04- OS in HR+ and All Patients

Hormone receptor-positive



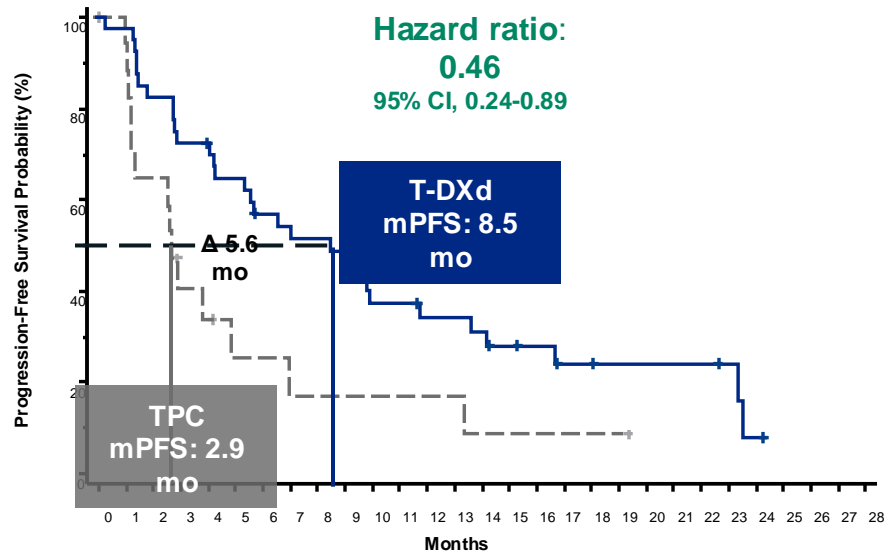
All patients



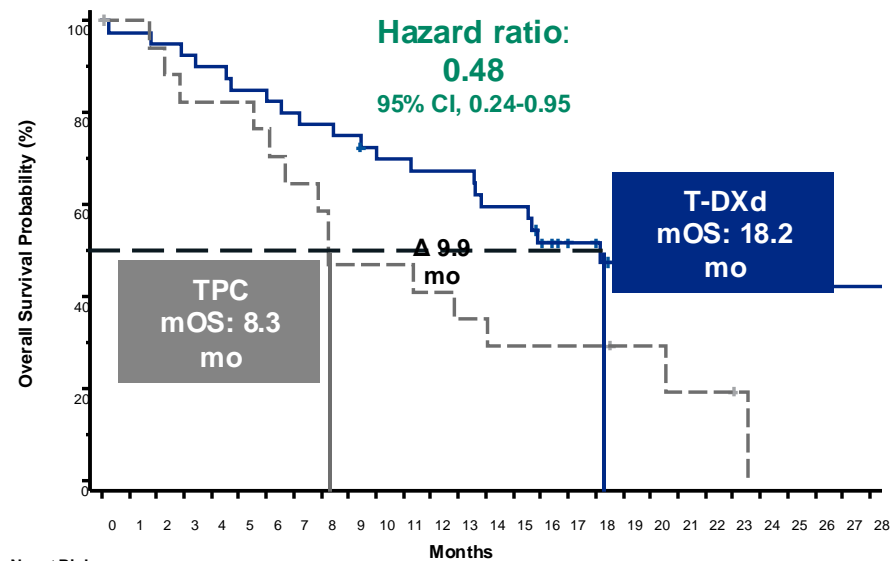
HR, hormone receptor; mOS, median overall survival; OS, overall survival; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

PFS and OS in HR- (Exploratory Endpoints)

PFS



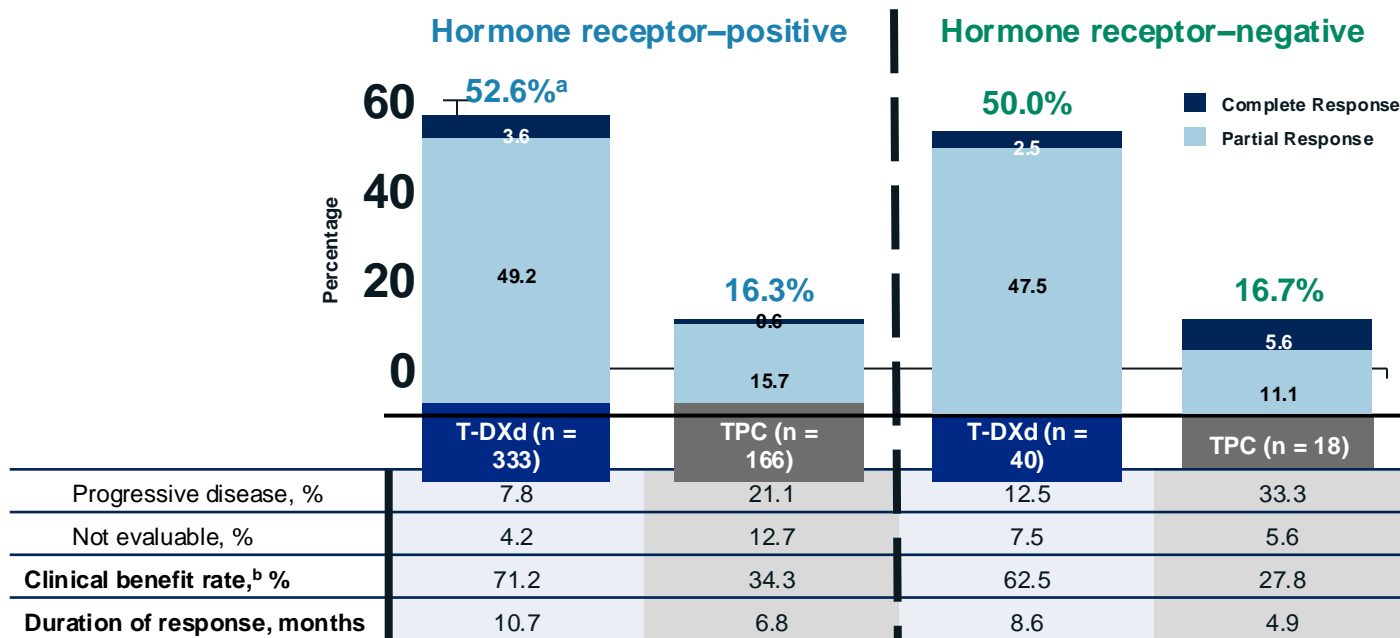
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HR, hormone receptor; mOS, median overall survival; mPFS, median progression-free survival; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice. For efficacy in the hormone receptor-negative cohort, hormone receptor status is based on data from the electronic data capture corrected for misstratification.

Confirmed ORR

Confirmed Objective Response Rate



Hormone receptor status is based on data from the electronic data capture corrected for misstratification.

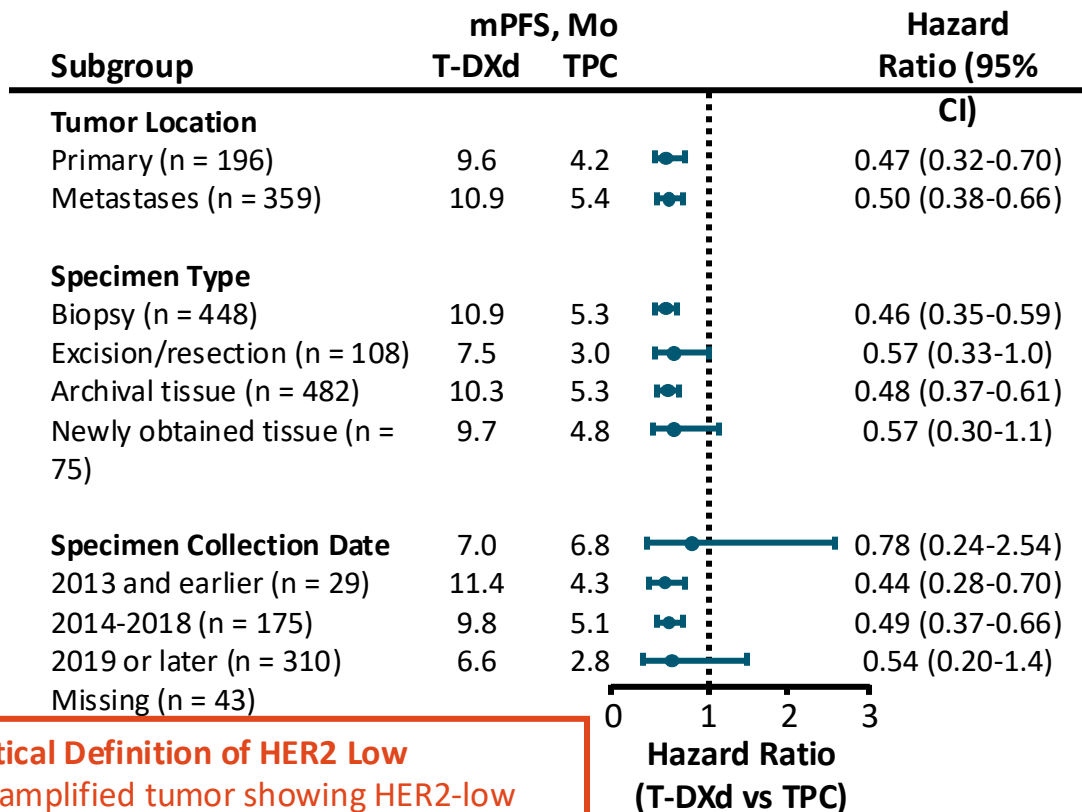
ORR, objective response rate; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, treatment of physician's choice.

^aThe response of 1 patient was not confirmed. ^bClinical benefit rate is defined as the sum of complete response rate, partial response rate, and more than 6 months' stable disease rate, based on blinded independent central review.

Determining HER2-Low Status: Biopsy Considerations

- HER2-low status changes over time
- Which timepoint** and **what type of biopsy** should be used to define a tumor as HER2 low?
- DESTINY-Breast04 required “adequate archived or recent tumor-biopsy specimens”
 - Excluded: fine-needle aspirates, other cytologic specimens, decalcified bone metastases
- In DESTINY-Breast04, T-DXd had consistent efficacy regardless of tumor sample characteristics

DESTINY-Breast04: Median PFS by Tumor Sample Characteristics



Practical Definition of HER2 Low
 A *HER2*-nonamplified tumor showing *HER2*-low expression on any prior specimen in course of disease

T-DXd: Benefit even in HER2 0 DAISY TRIAL

	Total	Cohort 1 (HER2 over-expressing)	Cohort 2 (HER2 low-expressing)	Cohort 3 (HER2 non-detected)
BOR confirmed n / N [95%CI]	86 / 177 (48.6%) [41.0; 56.2]	48 / 68 (70.6%) [58.3; 81.0]	27 / 72 (37.5%) [26.4; 49.7]	11 / 37 (29.7%) [15.9; 47.0]
Median DOR (months) [95%CI]	8.5 [6.5; 9.8]	9.7 [6.8; 13]	7.6 [4.2; 9.2]	6.8 [2.8; Not reached]
Median PFS (months) [95%CI]	7.0 [6.0; 8.7]	11.1 [8.5; 14.4]	6.7 [4.4; 8.3]	4.2 [2.0; 5.7]

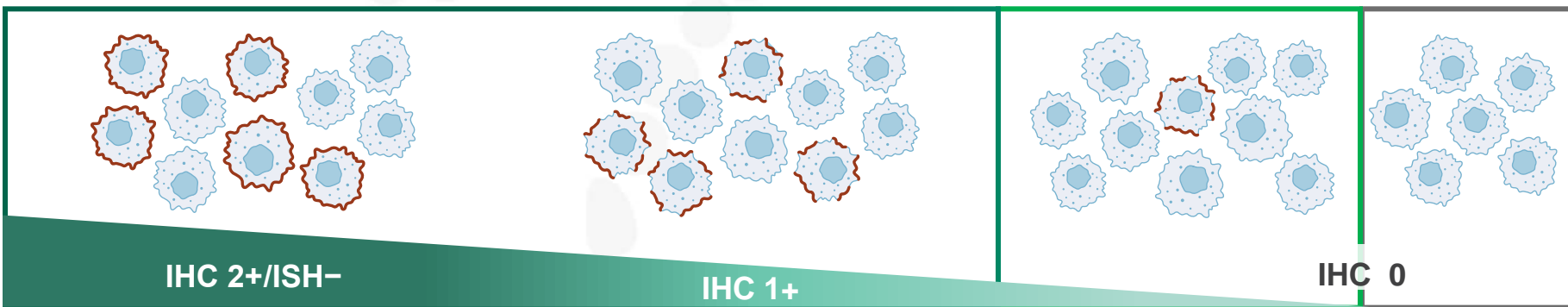


Decreasing ORR by degree of HER2 expression

What about HER2-ultralow in mTNBC?

HER2-low
~60–65%^{2,3}

HER2-ultralow
~20–25%²⁻⁴



IHC 2+/ISH-

IHC 1+

IHC 0

Weak-to-moderate complete
membrane staining
in >10% tumor cells

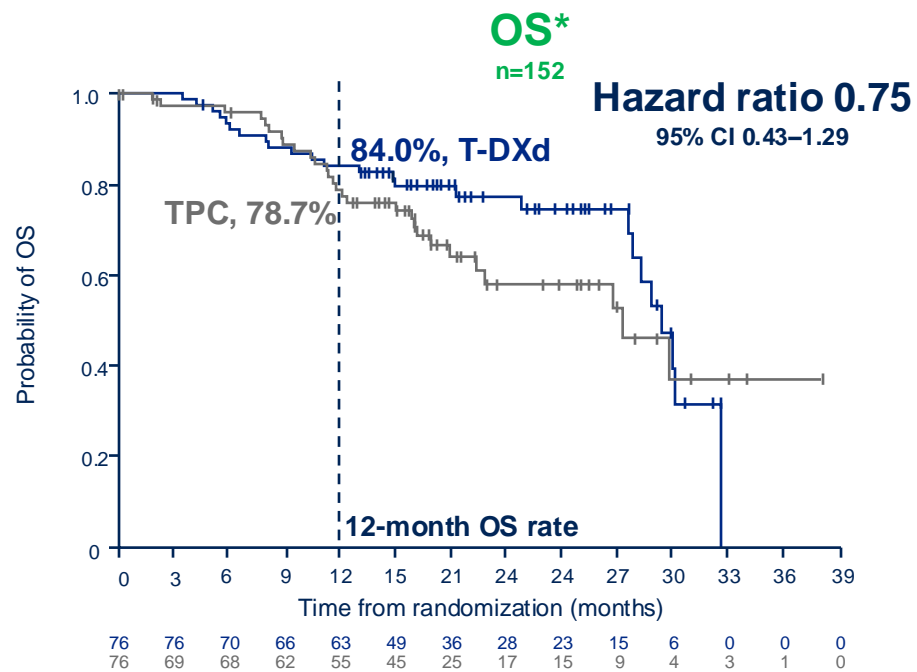
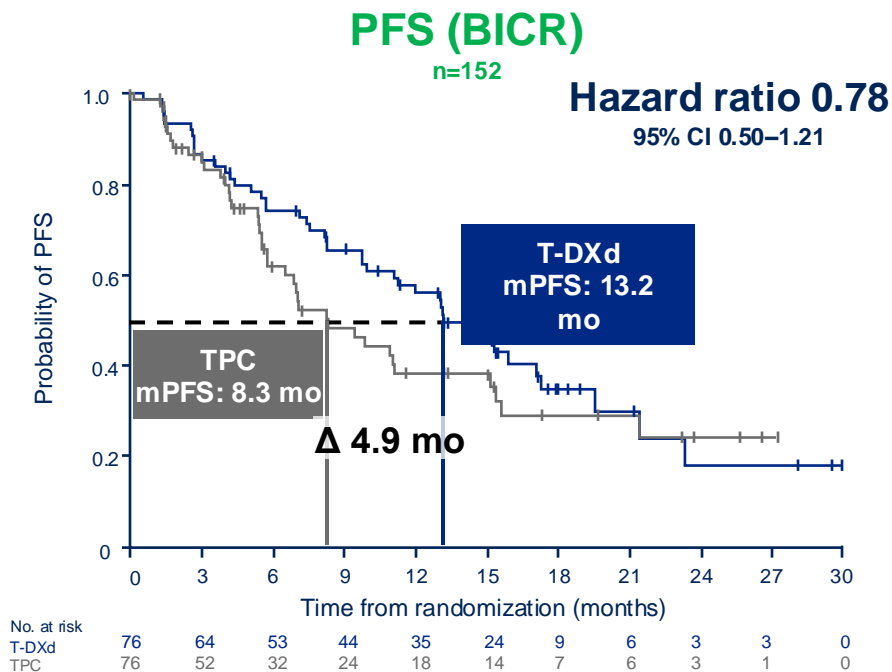
Faint, incomplete
membrane staining
in >10% tumor cells

**Faint, incomplete
membrane
staining in ≤10%
tumor cells**

Absent / no
observable
membrane
staining

Patients with a HER2-low classification at any stage of the disease may be considered eligible for T-DXd

DB06 Demonstrated benefit for TDXd in HR+ HER2-ultralow

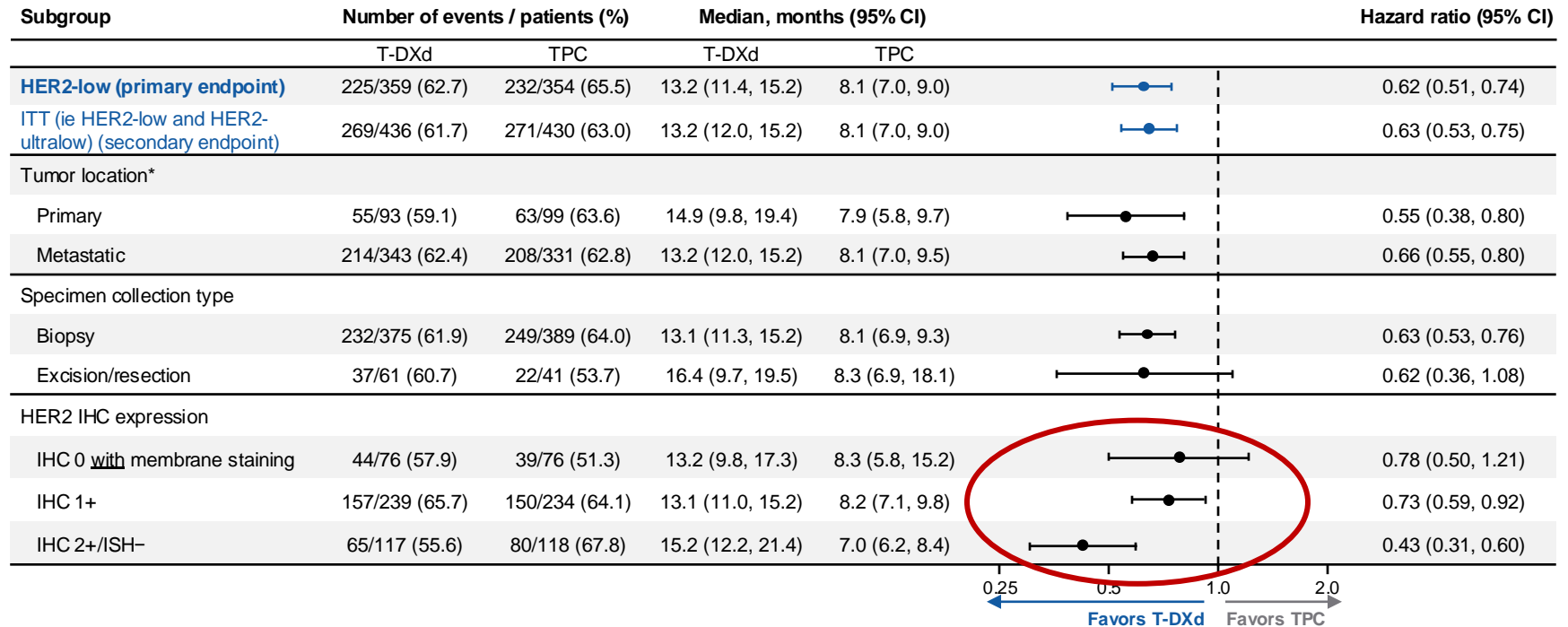


PFS improvement with T-DXd vs TPC in HER2-ultralow was consistent with results in HER2-low

*34.9% maturity (of total N for population) at this first interim analysis; median duration of follow up was 16.8 months

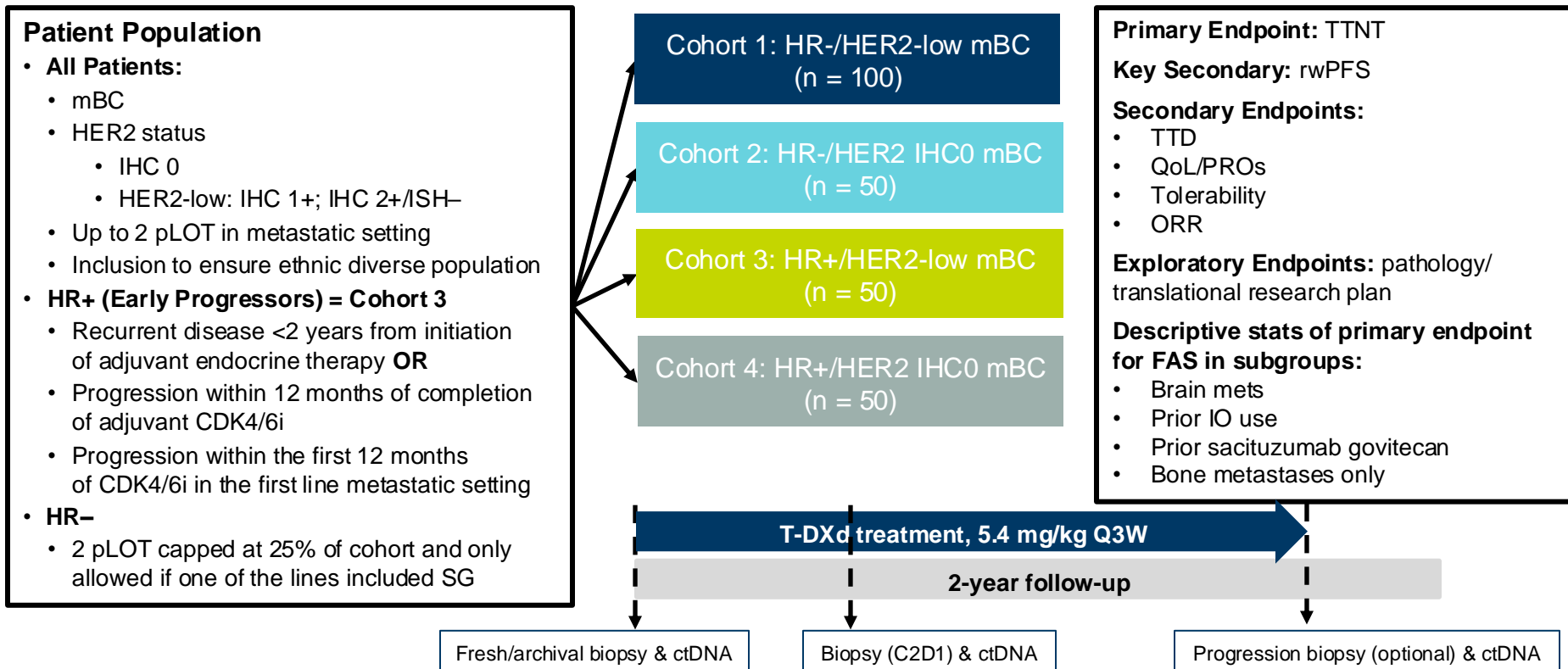
BICR, blinded independent central review; CI, confidence interval; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; OS, overall survival; mo, months; (m)PFS, (median) progression-free survival; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, chemotherapy treatment of physician's choice

PFS (BICR) in ITT by tumor sample characteristics and IHC score in DB06– NEED DATA IN TNBC



*Primary tumor samples were breast or regional lymph node samples obtained from patients who had confirmed metastatic disease (ie in the metastatic setting)
 BICR, blinded independent central review; CI, confidence interval; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; IHC, immunohistochemistry; ISH-, in situ hybridization–negative; ITT, intent-to-treat; PFS, progression-free survival; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; TPC, chemotherapy treatment of physician's choice

DESTINY-Breast15 Study Design (NCT05950945)



ctDNA, circulating tumor deoxyribonucleic acid; FAS, full analysis set; ISH, in situ hybridization; IO, immuno-oncology; ORR, objective response rate; pLOT, prior line of therapy; PROs, patient-reported outcomes; Q3W, every 3 weeks; QoL, quality of life; rwPFS, real-world progression-free survival; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TTD, time to treatment discontinuation; TTNT, time to next treatment.

Toxicity Profiles Differ Across ADCs

Adverse Event	Trastuzumab deruxtecan		Datopotamab deruxtecan		Sacituzumab govitecan ^a		Sacituzumab tirumotecan	
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3
Neutropenia	33.2	13.7	11.1	1.1	70.1	50.7	74	32
Anemia	33.2	8.1	11.1	1.1	34.0	6.3	80	28
Thrombocytopenia	23.7	5.1	-	-	6.3	0.4	41	12
Nausea	73.0	4.6	51.1	1.4	55.2	1.1	35	0
Vomiting	34.0	1.3	19.7	1.1	19.0	0.4	-	-
Diarrhea	22.4	1.1	-	-	56.7	9.3	-	-
Fatigue	47.7*	7.5*	23.6	1.7	37.7	5.6	-	-
Alopecia	37.7	N/A	36.4	N/A	45.9	N/A	-	-
Stomatitis	-	-	50.0	6.4	-	-	44	9
Dry eye	-	-	21.7	0.6	-	-	0.8	-
ILD/pneumonitis	12.1	2.2	2.5	0.6	0	0	0.8	-

N/A, not applicable; "-", not reported. *Includes fatigue, asthenia and malaise. ^aIn ASCENT: pneumonitis, any grade (0.4%), grade ≥3 (0.4%); stomatitis, any grade (10.1%), grade ≥3 (0.8%).

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Anemia	33.2	8.1	11.1	1.1	34.0	6.3	80	28
Thrombocytopenia	23.7	5.1	-	-	6.3	0.4	41	12
Nausea	73.0	4.6	51.1	1.4	55.2	1.1	35	0
Vomiting	34.0	1.3	19.7	1.1	19.0	0.4	-	-
Diarrhea	22.4	1.1	-	-	56.7	9.3	-	-
Fatigue	47.7*	7.5*	23.6	1.7	37.7	5.6	-	-
Alopecia	37.7	N/A	36.4	N/A	45.9	N/A	-	-
Stomatitis	-	-	50.0	6.4	-	-	44	9
Dry eye	-	-	21.7	0.6	-	-	0.8	-
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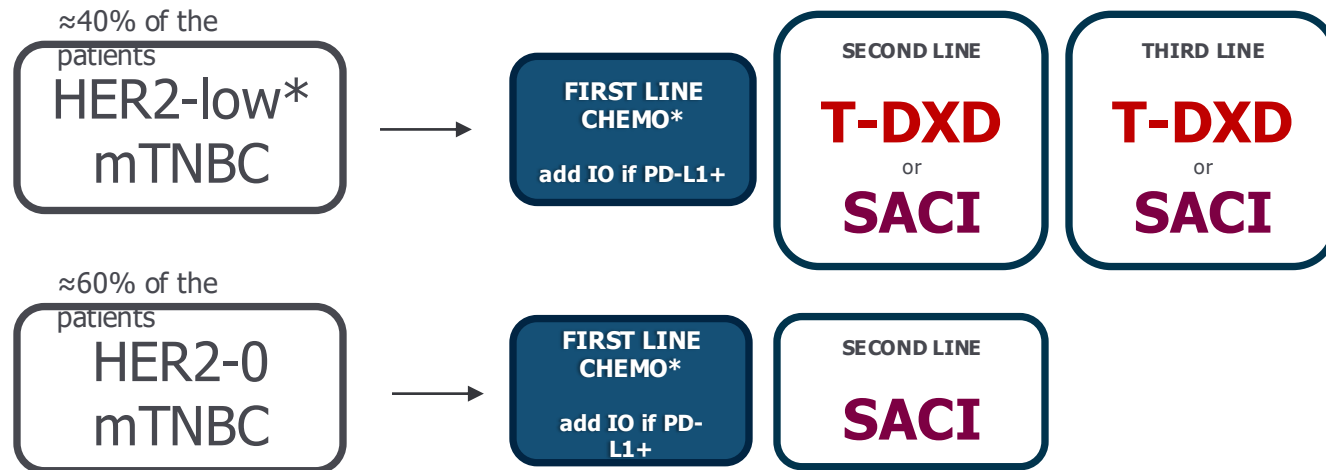
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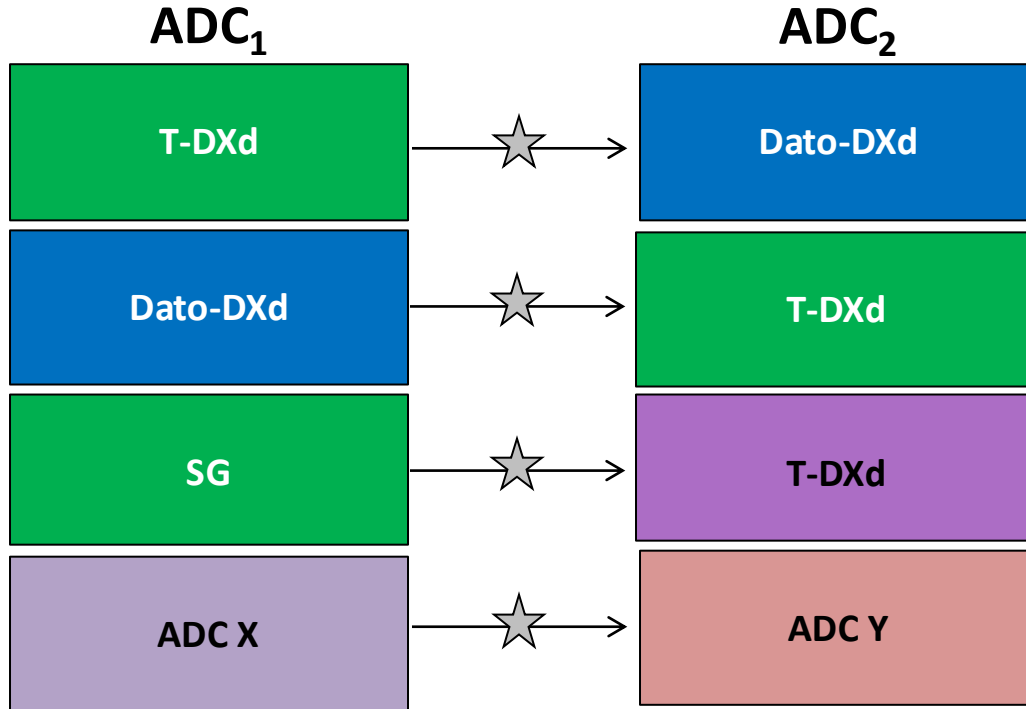
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Treatment of mTNBC with ADCs



*PARP inhibitors can be considered in the first through third line setting for BRCAm patients

Critical Question: How will ADCs work in sequence?

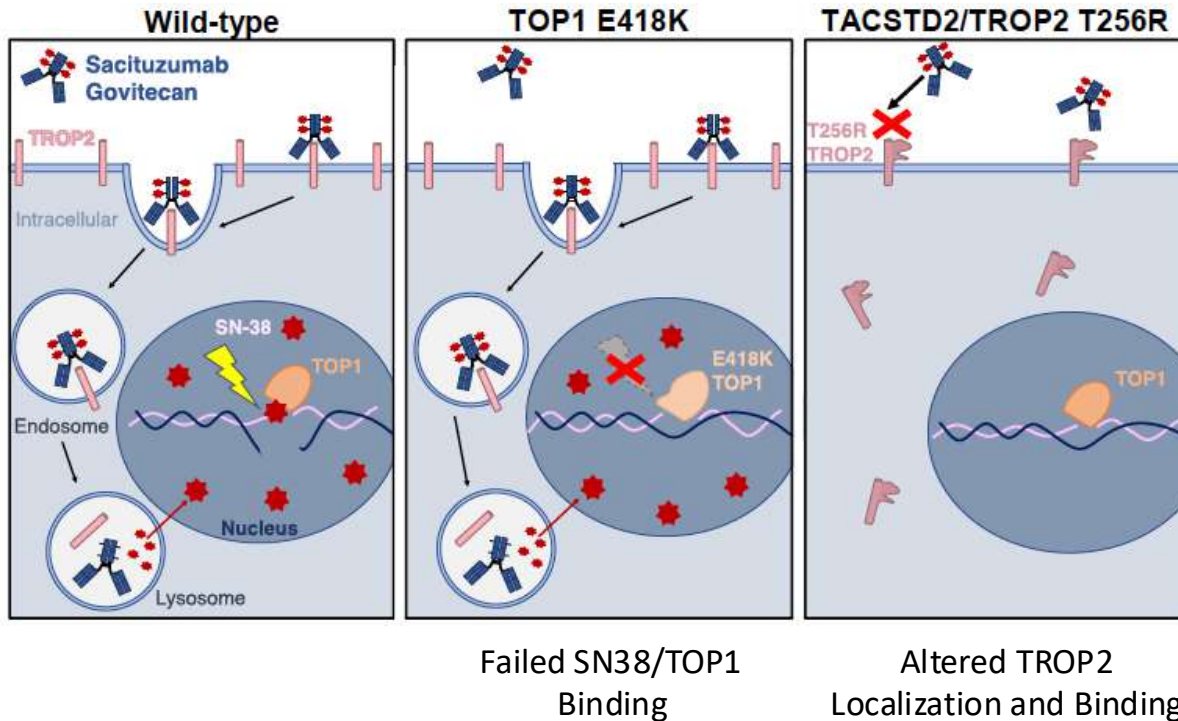


Retrospective studies evaluating ADC sequencing

	Population	ADC 1	ADC 2	
Abelman ¹	N=68 HR+: 44%, TNBC 56% Prior lines of tx: 3 to 7	mTTP: 5.4 mos	mTTP: 2.5 mos	TOP1 variant may drive resistance
Raghavendra ²	N=33 Subtype data not available	PFS: SG = 4.6 mos PFS: TDxd = 7.6 mos	PFS SG → TDxd: 5.5 mos PFS TDxd → SG: 2.4 mos	Suggest superiority of T-Dxd but HR status is unknown
Huppert ³	N=84 HR+/HER2low: 67% HR-/HER2low: 33% Prior lines of tx: 2 to 4.5	TTNT SG → TDxd: • HR+ = 8 mos • HR- = 7.8 mos TTNT TDxd → SG: • HR+ = 5.5 mos • HR- = undetermined	TTNT SG → TDxd: • HR+ = 3.7 mos • HR- = 2.8 mos TTNT TDxd → SG: • HR+ = 2.7 mos • HR- = undetermined	All HER2low expressing longer PFS with ADC1 than ADC2
Poumeaud ⁴	N=179 HR+/HER2low: 69% HR-/HER2low: 31% Prior lines of tx: 3 to 5 Prior ADC use: 64% received SG as ADC1	mPFS = 4.5 mos mPFS HR+/HER2low = 2.7 mos (TDxd) mPFS HR-/HER2low = 4.9 mos (SG)	SG→TDxd PFS2 = 3.1 mos TDxd→SG PFS2 = 2.2 mos	In multivariate analysis SG→TDxd was associated with improved outcomes 50% primary resistance to ADC2

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2. Raghavendra AS, et al. Presented at SABCS 2023. Poster #PS08-01
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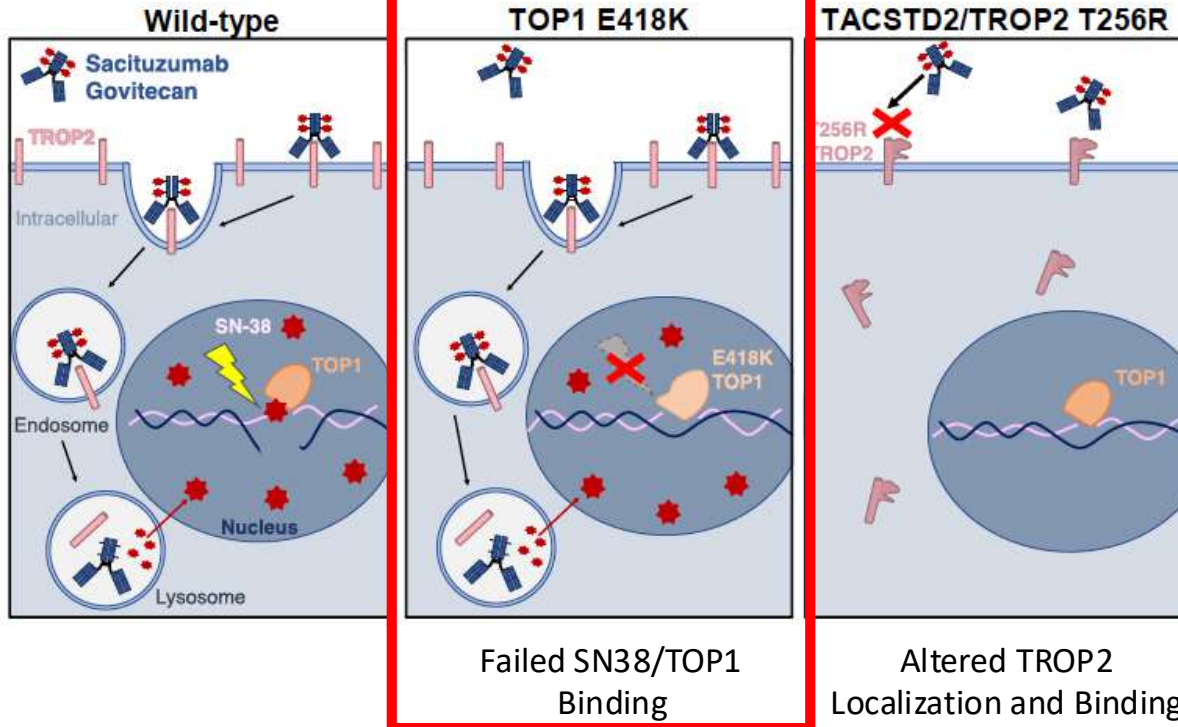
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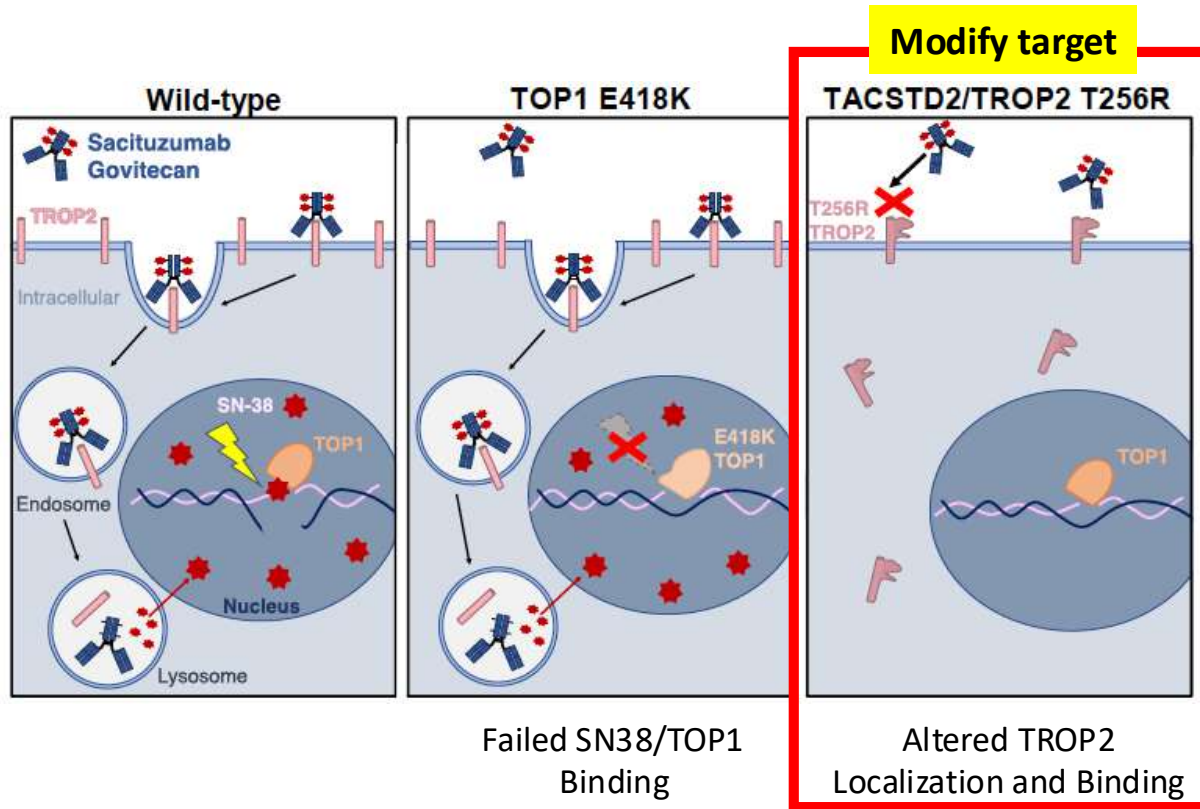
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Mechanisms of resistance to ADC (Overview)

Receptor-mediated ADC internalization

- Changed kinetics or target internalization/ cell surface recycling
- Altered intracellular trafficking

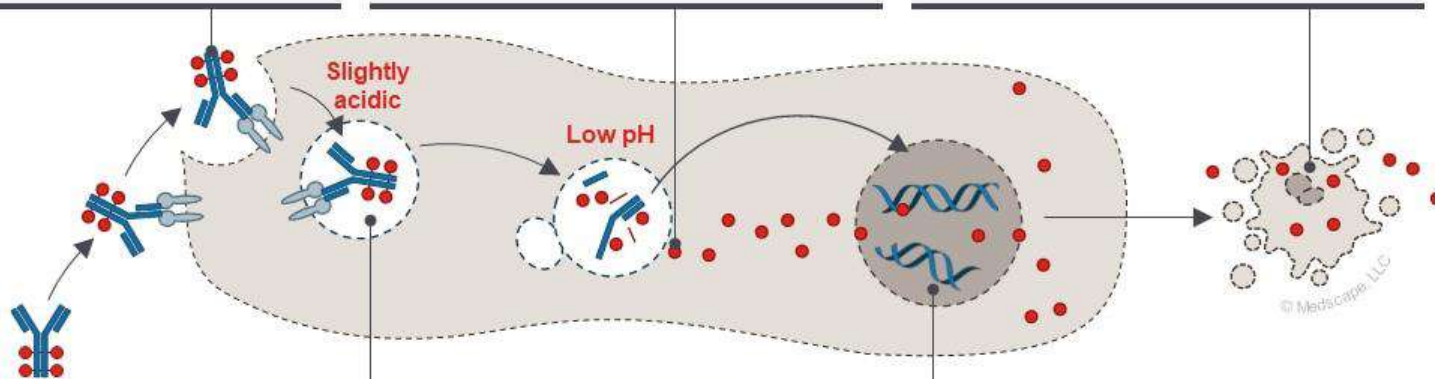
Payload escape to cytosol

- Loss of SLC46A3 expression
- Overexpression of drug efflux transporters

Cancer cell death by apoptosis

Apoptosis resistance due to:

- Aberrant STAT3 activation
- Bcl-2/Bcl-xL phosphorylation
- Loss of PTEN/ PI3k activation
- Deficient Bak/ Bax activation



Binding of ADC to target on cancer cell surface

- Target down-regulation
- Elimination of binding site by alternative splicing
- Mutation or masking of binding site

Lysosomal degradation of ADC/ payload release

- Diminished lysosomal acidification
- Reduced lysosomal proteolytic activity

Cytotoxic action of payload

- Aberrant Plk 1 activity preventing mitotic arrest
- Defective cyclin B1 induction
- Mutations of payload targets*
- DNA repair

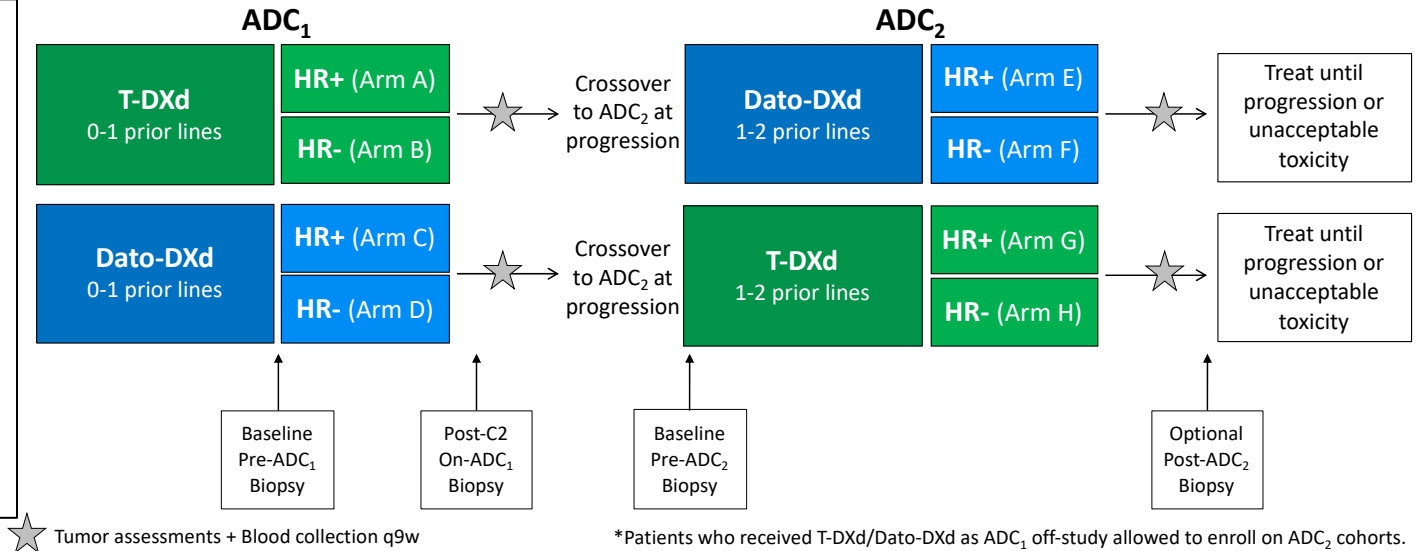
Treatment of ADC-Refractory Breast Cancer with Dato-DXd or T-DXd: TRADE-DXd

Primary endpoint (ADC₁, ADC₂): ORR
 Secondary endpoints: PFS, OS, CBR, TTOR, DOR

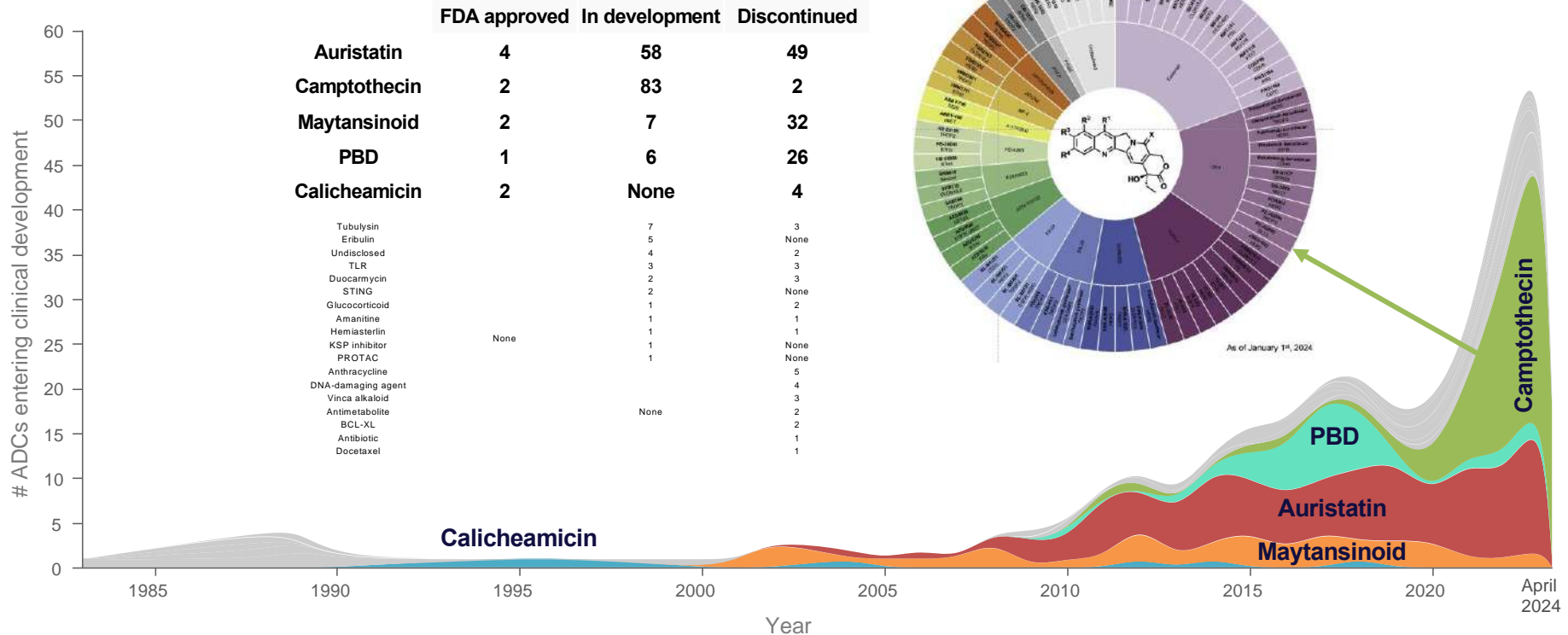
Eligibility:

- Confirmed unresectable locally advanced or metastatic disease
- History of HER2-low breast cancer (any prior primary or metastatic tumor) defined as IHC 1+ or 2+/ISH non-amplified
- Most recent pathology: HER2 IHC 0 or HER2-low
- Measurable disease
- No prior topo-I inhibitor-based therapy

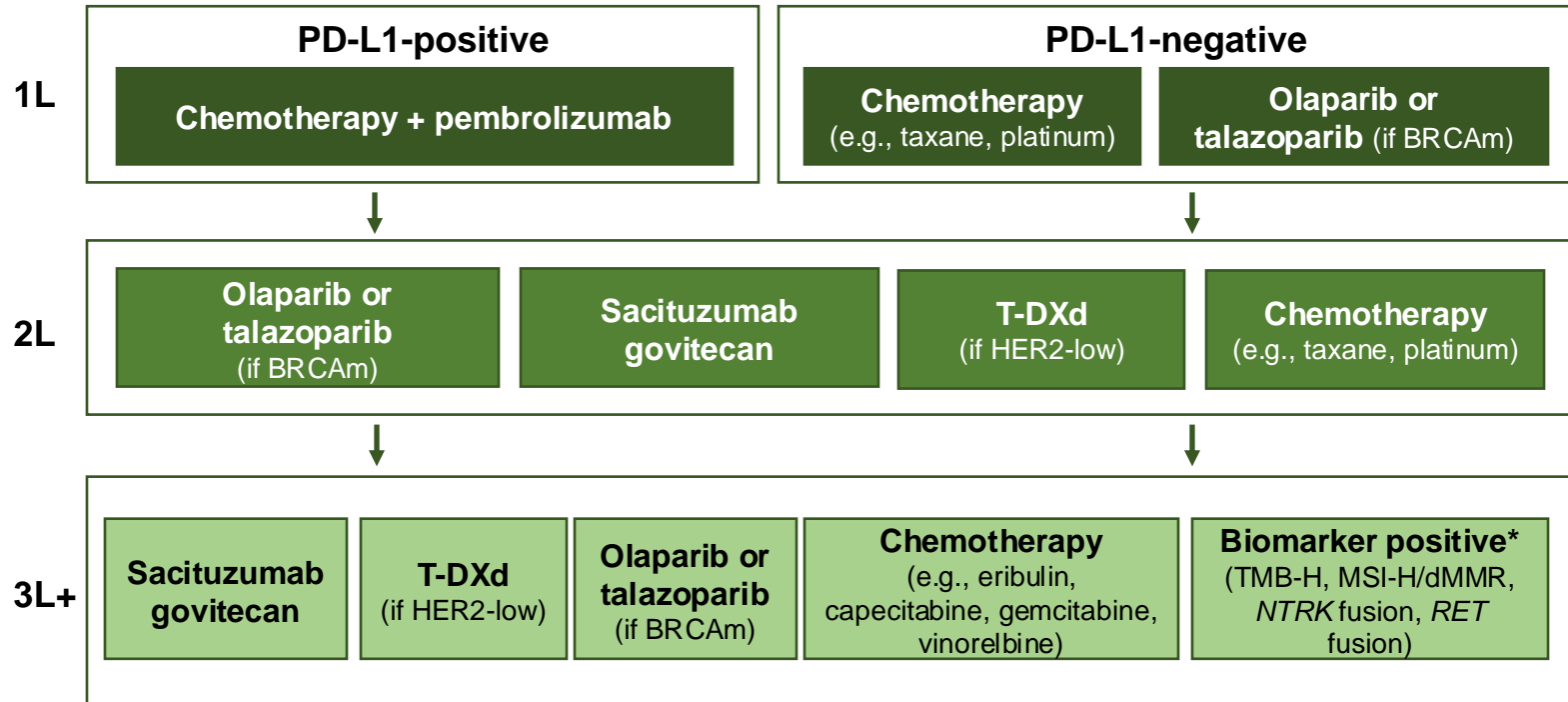
Allocation 1:1 to T-DXd or Dato-DXd as ADC₁



More ADCs to come: Payload differentiation for ADCs



Treatment Algorithm for Metastatic TNBC



*TMB-H: Pembrolizumab; MSI-H: Pembrolizumab, Dostarlimab; *NTRK* fusion: Larotrectinib, Entrectinib; *RET* fusion: Selpercatinib

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IS THERE MORE TO COME FROM IMMUNOTHERAPY?

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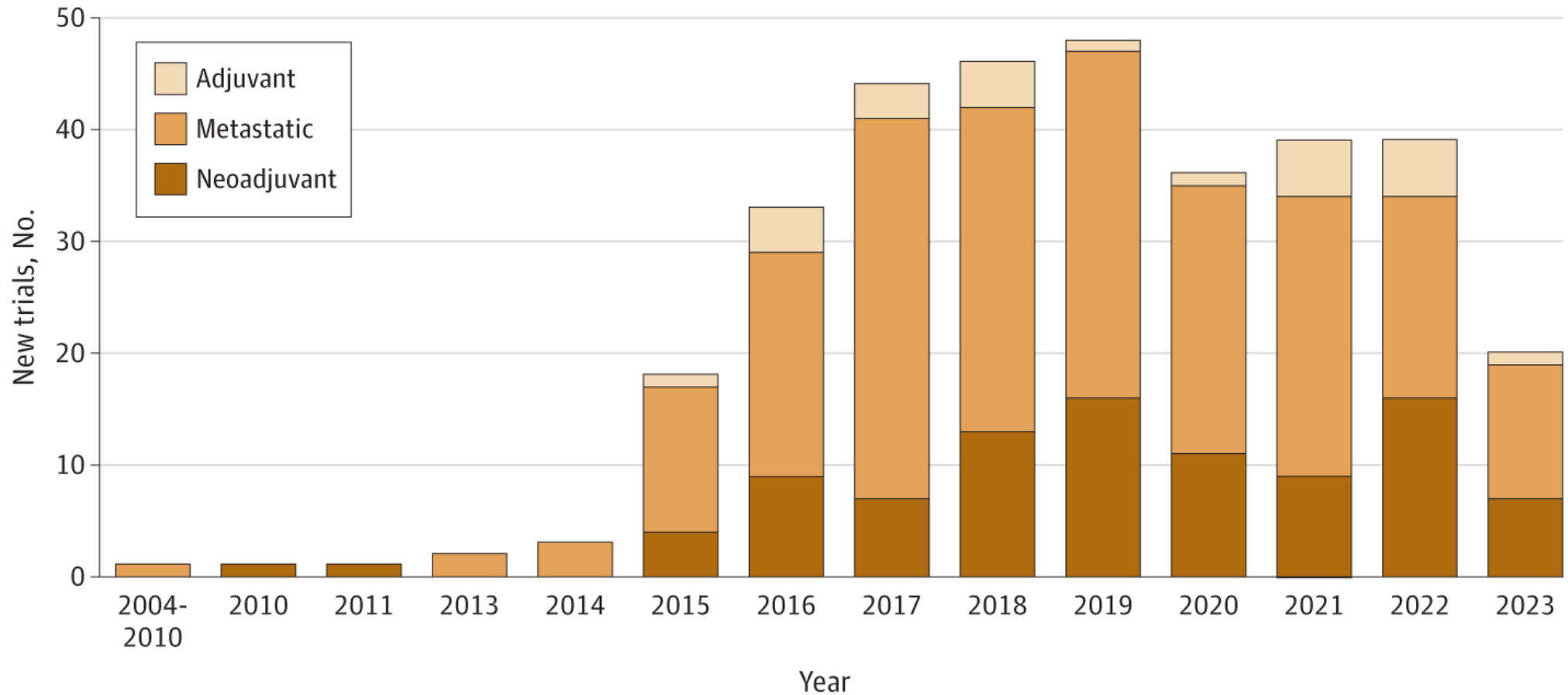
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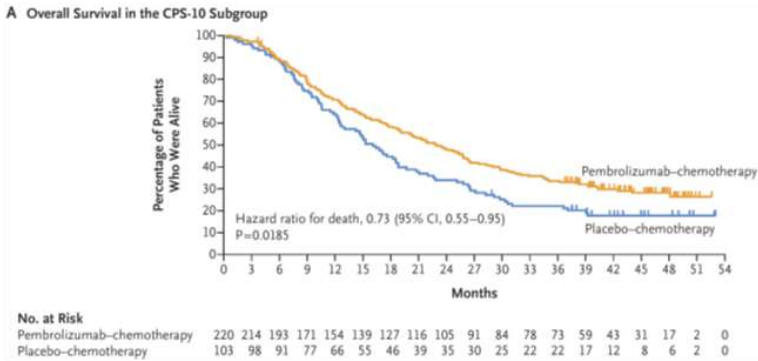
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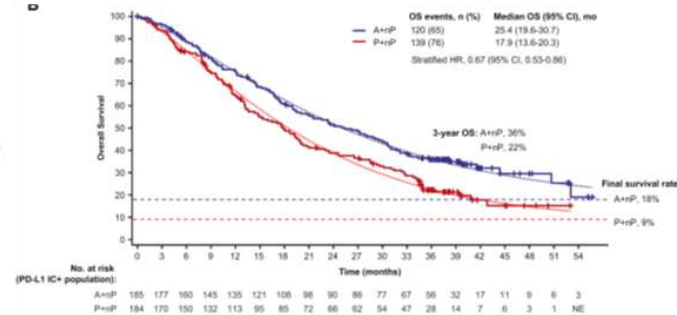
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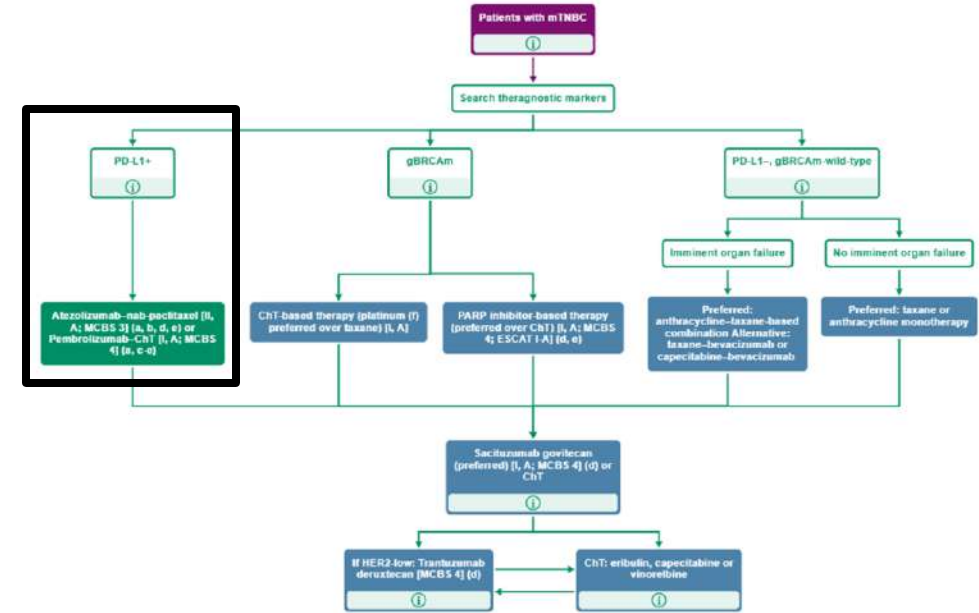
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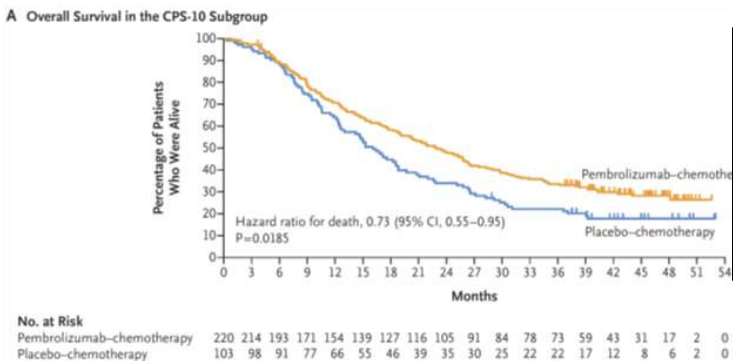
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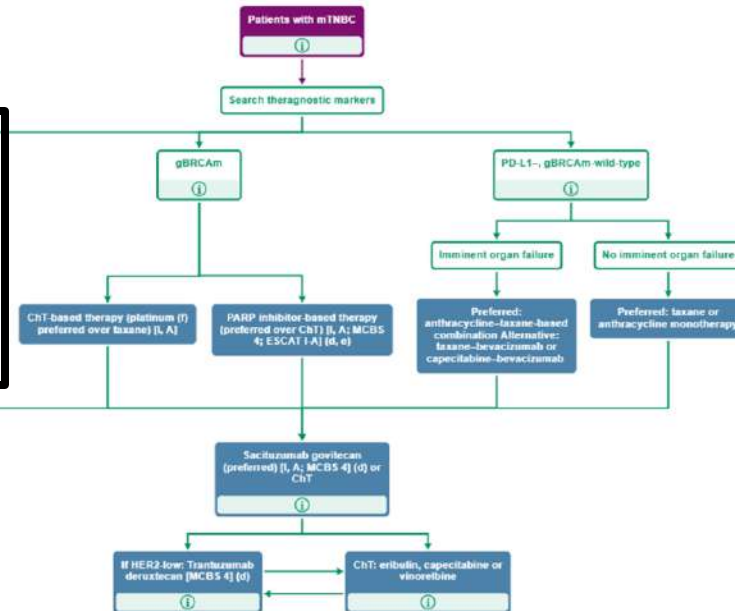
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What's next?



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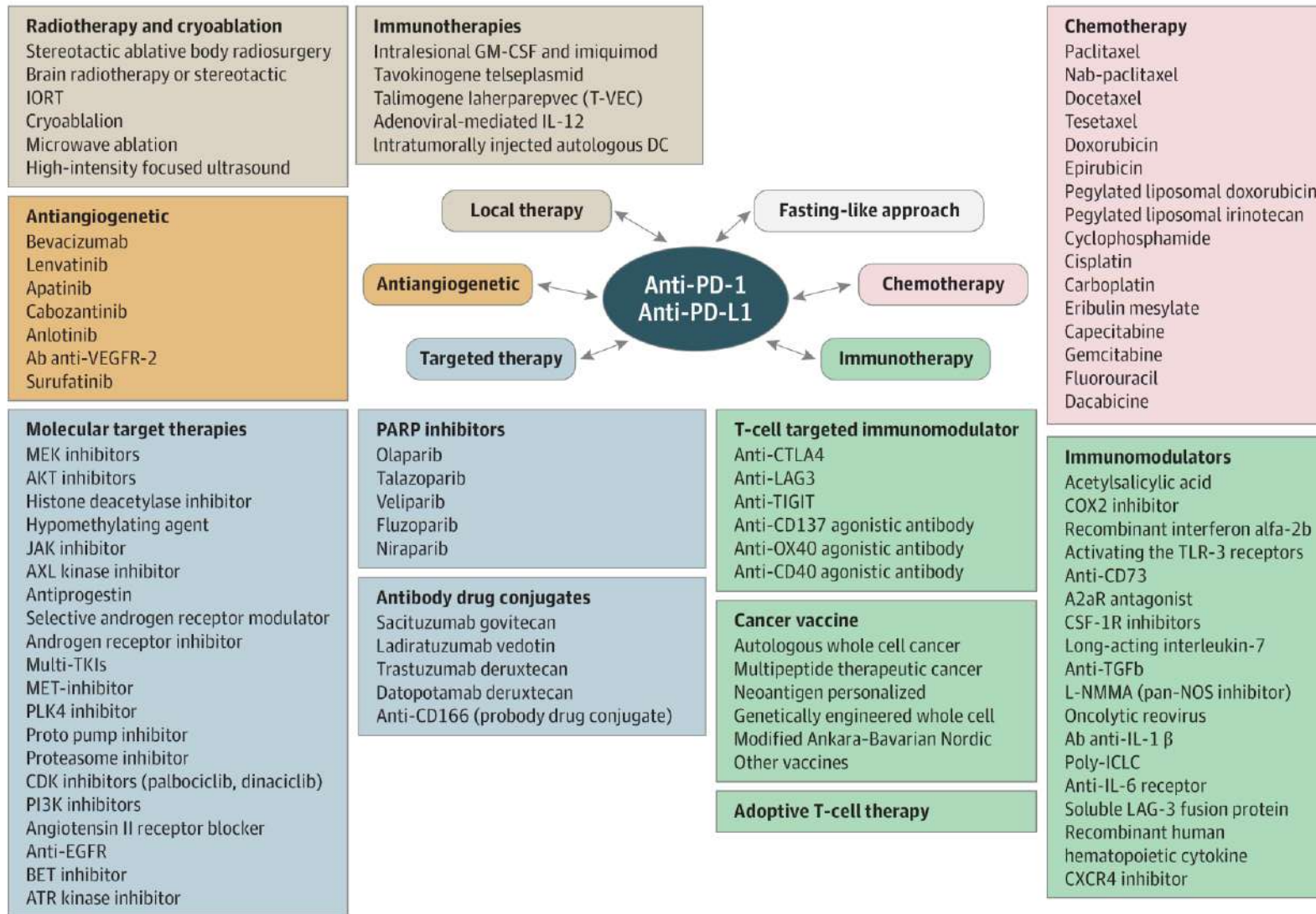
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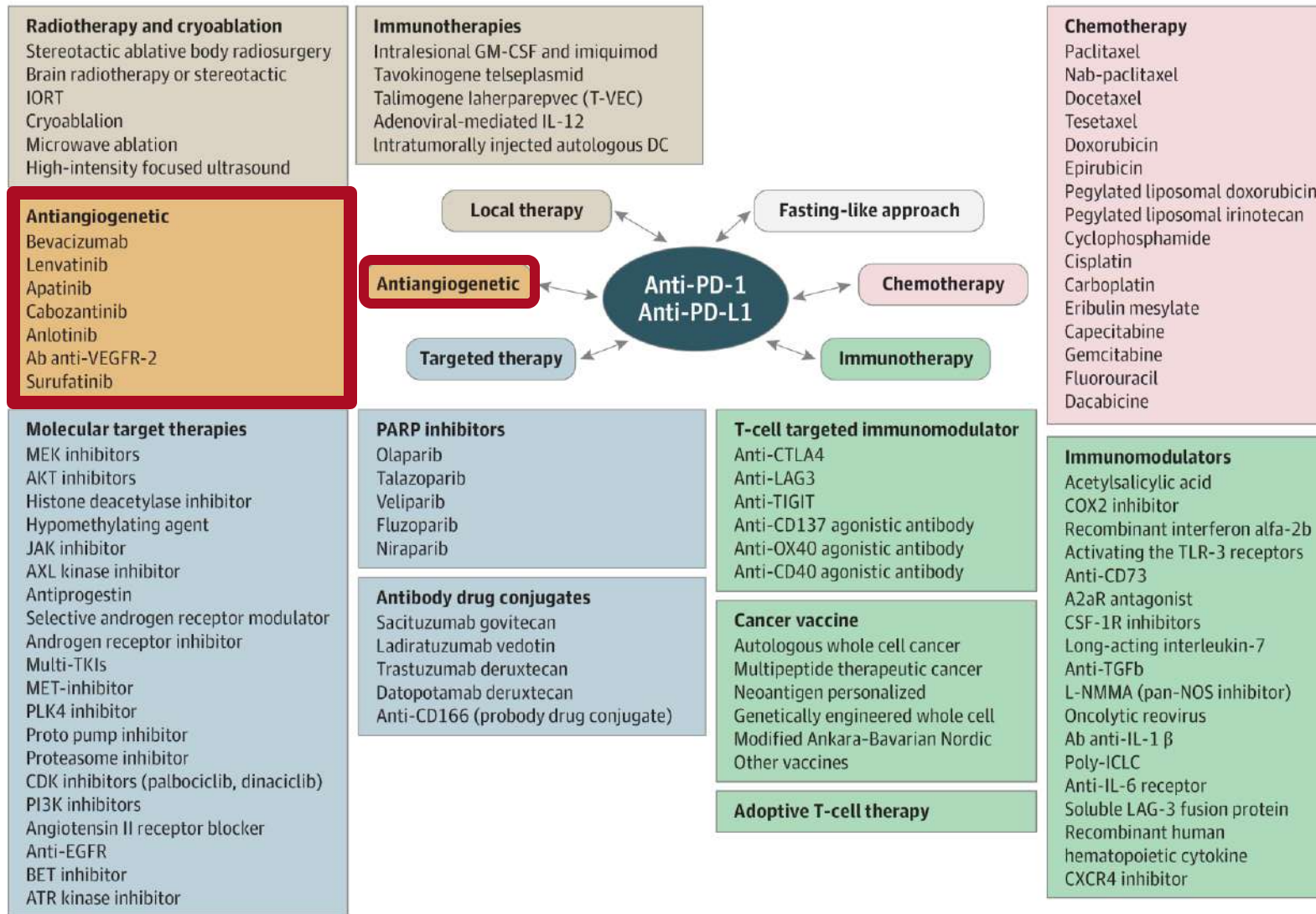
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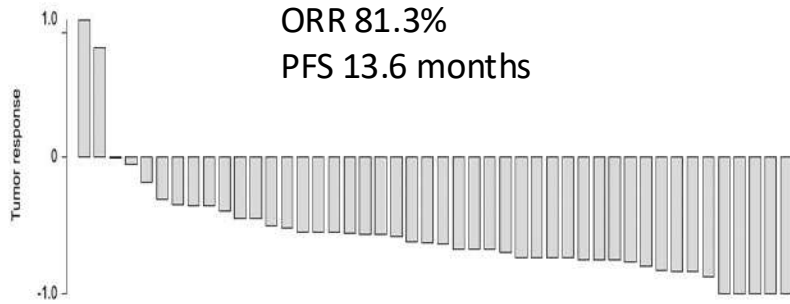


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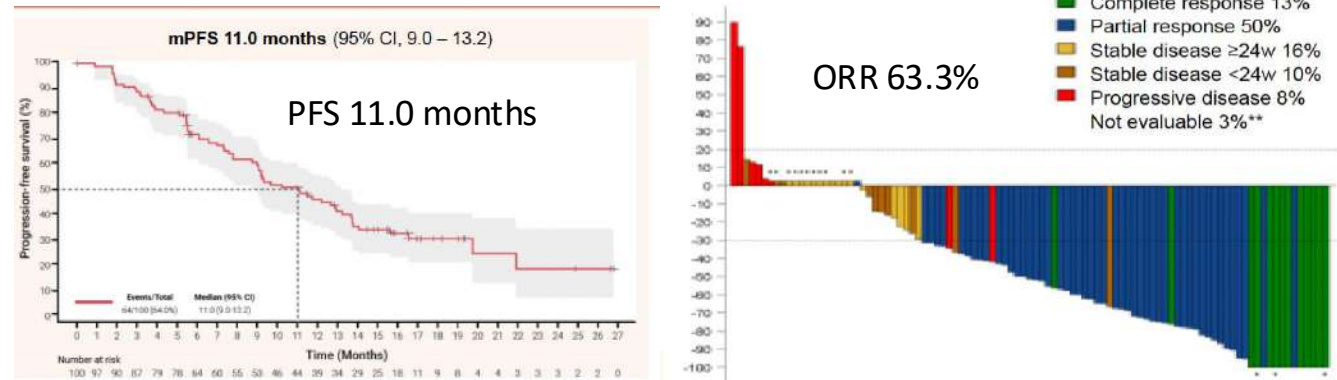


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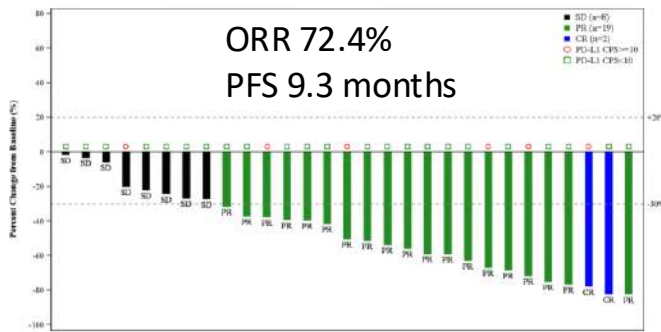
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ATRACTINIB trial (Atezolizumab, bevacizumab, paclitaxel)



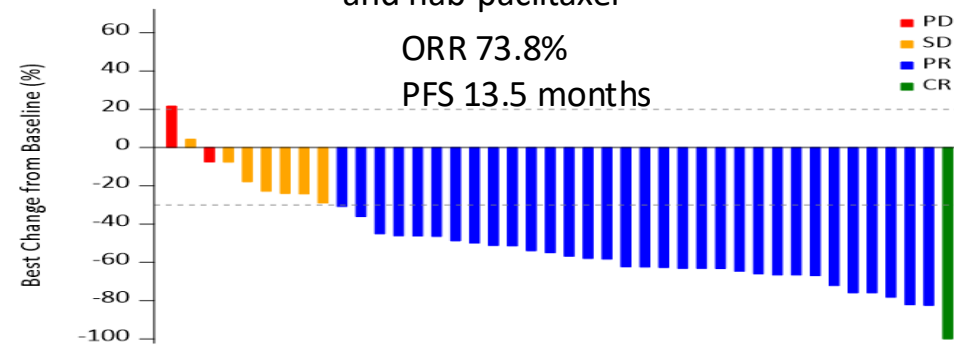
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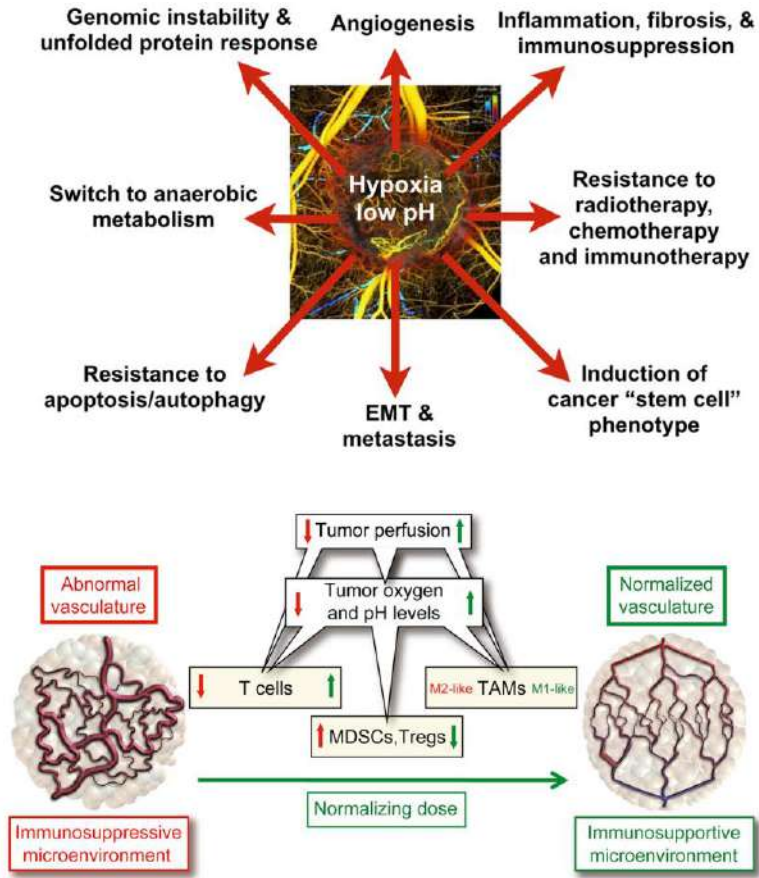
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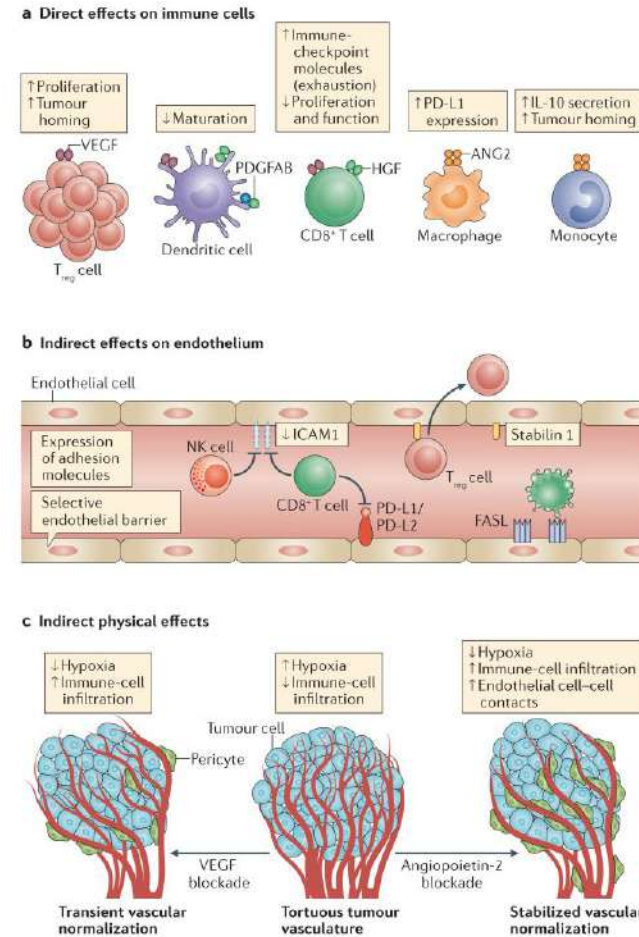


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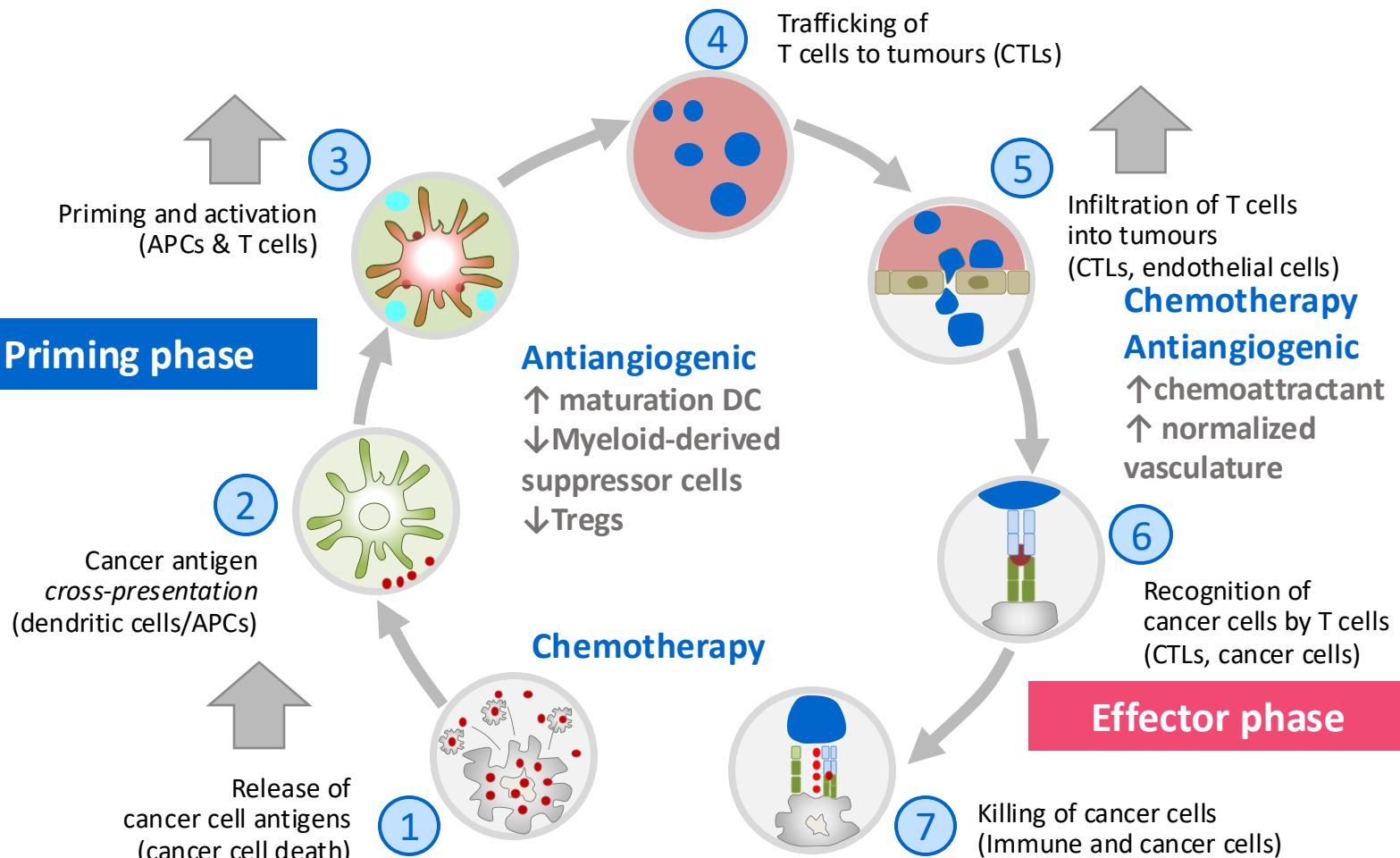


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RATIONALE FOR ICI/ANTIANGIOGENIC/CHEMOTHERAPY COMBINATIONS



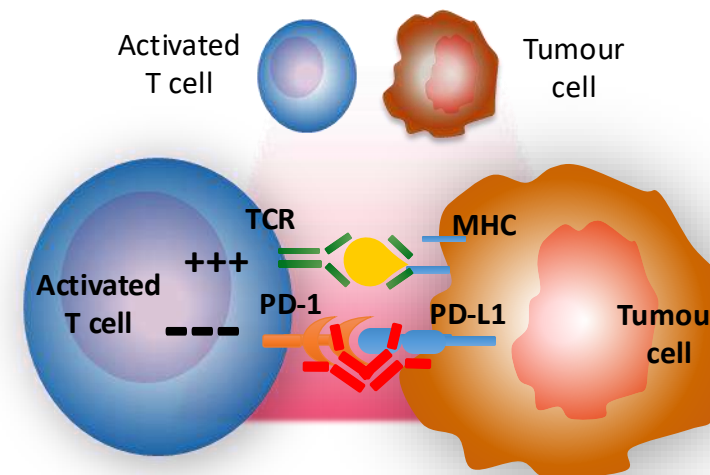
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PD-1/PD-L1 pathway is a key mechanism of immune resistance

Effector phase

TUMOUR MICROENVIRONMENT



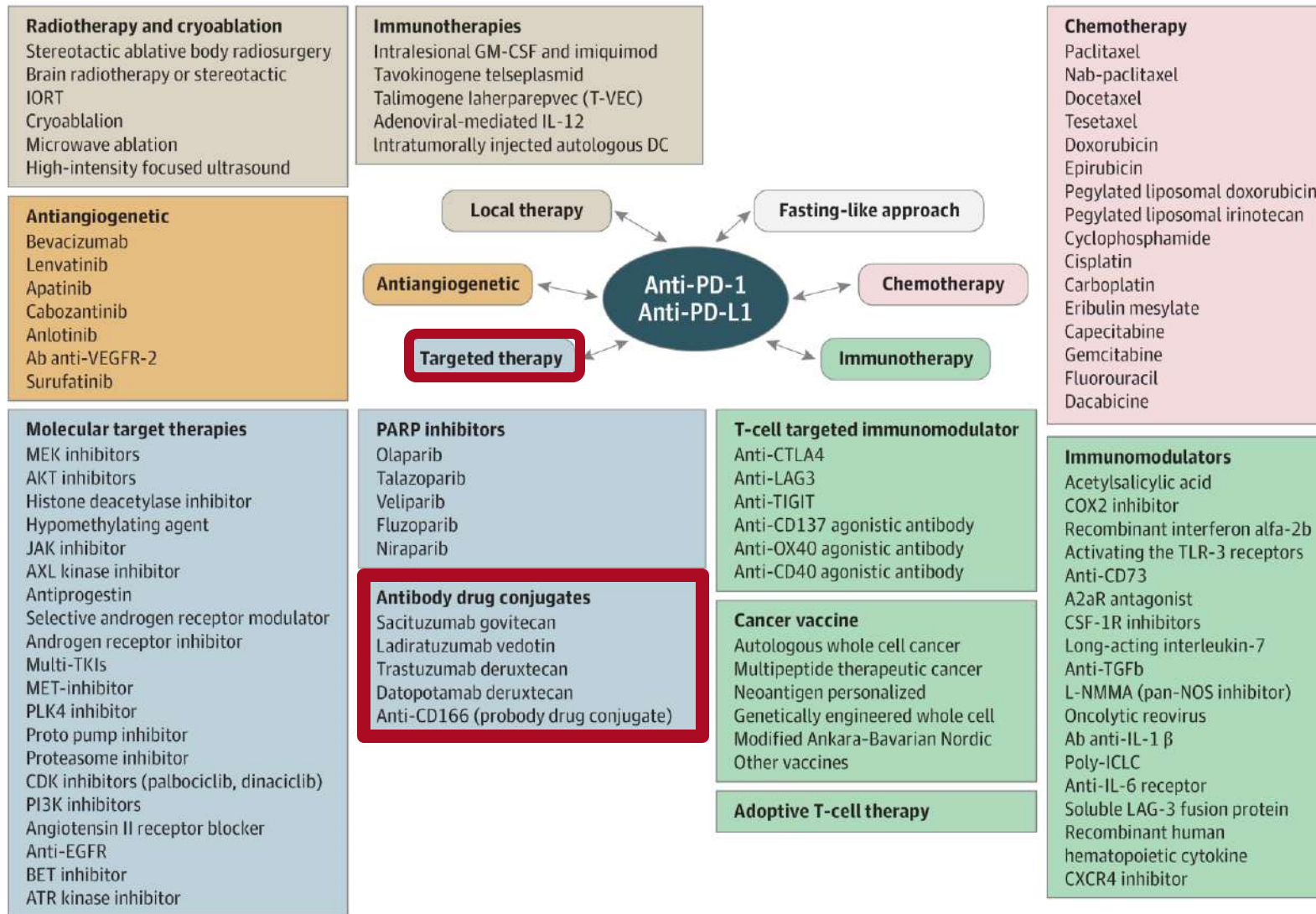
Anti-PD1/Anti-PD-L1

Anti-PD1/PD-L1 restores anti-tumour T-cell activity by targeting PD-L1 on tumour cells and tumour-infiltrating immune cells

Adapted from Chen DS Immunity 2013

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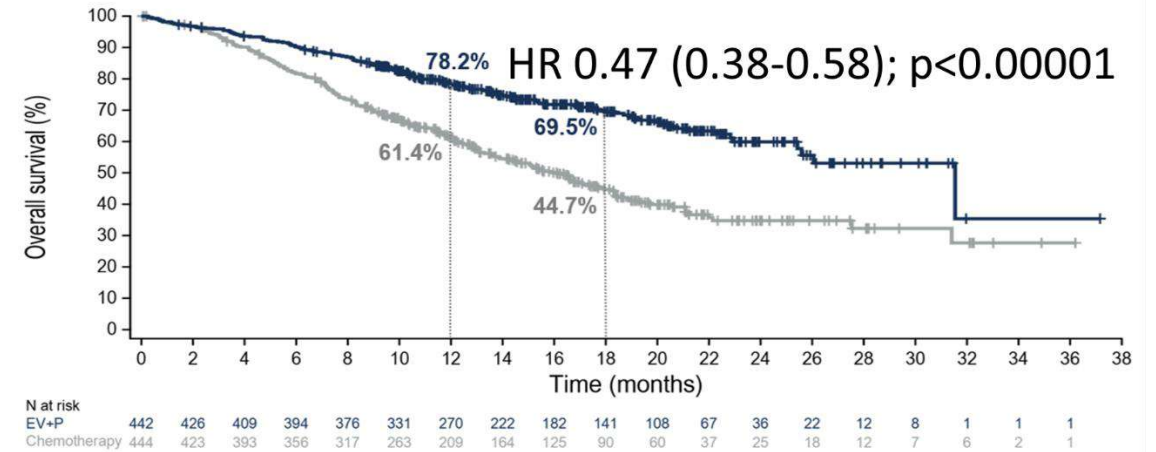
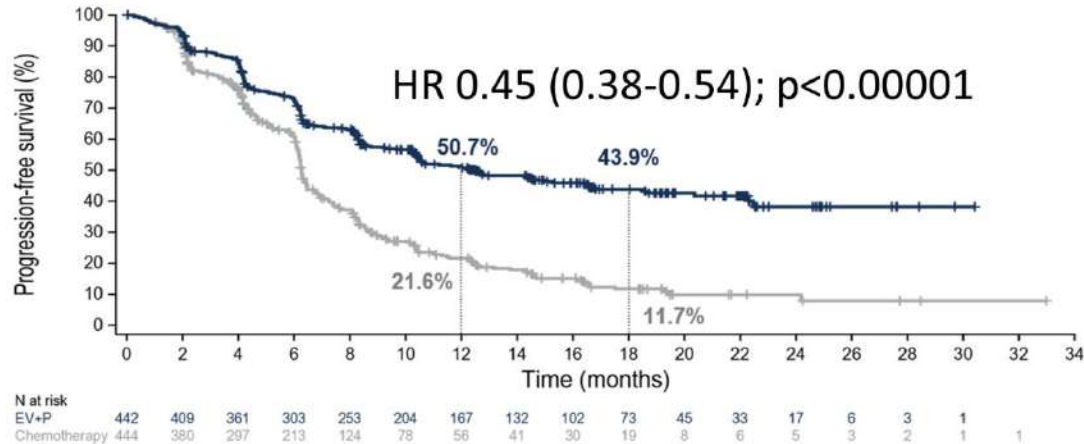
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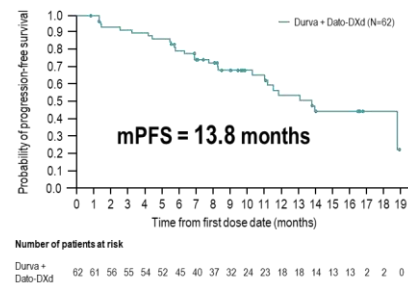
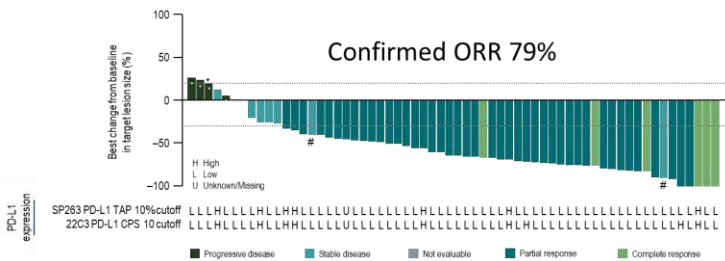
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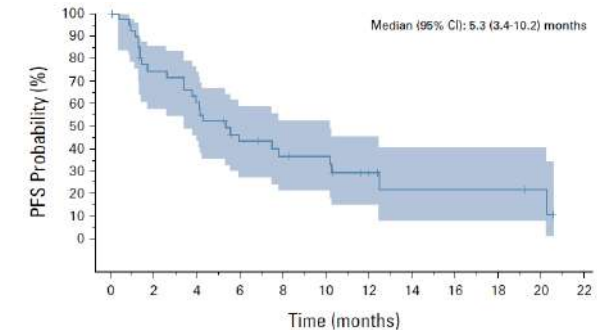
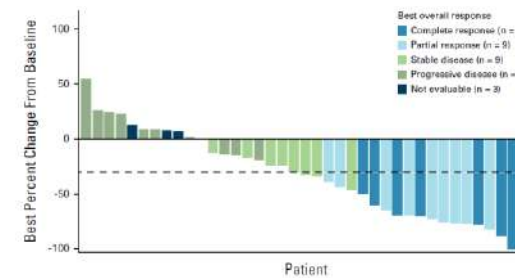
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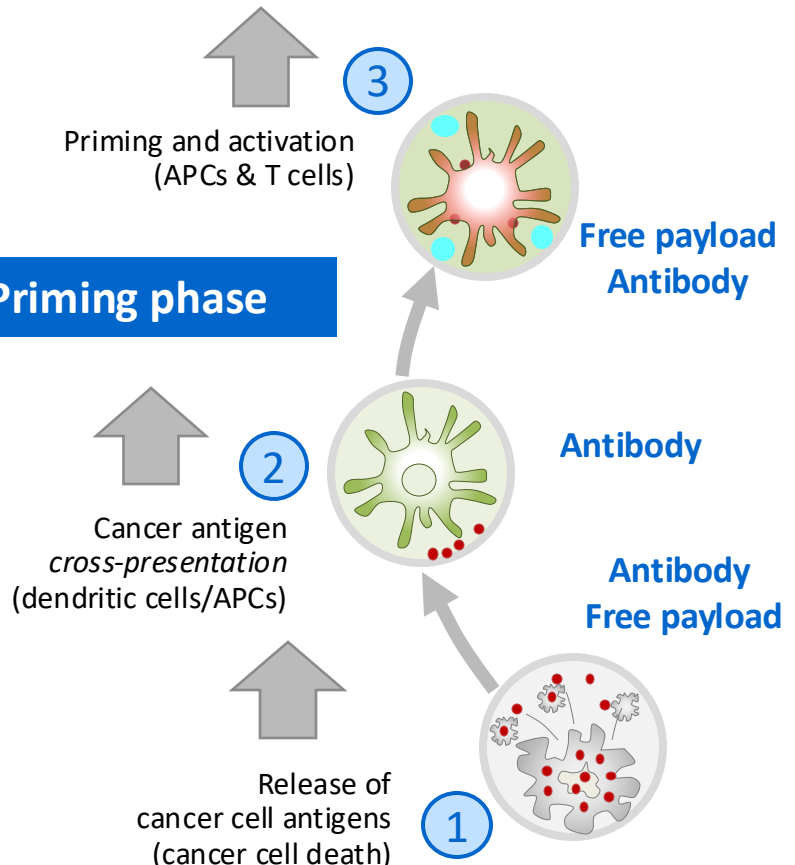
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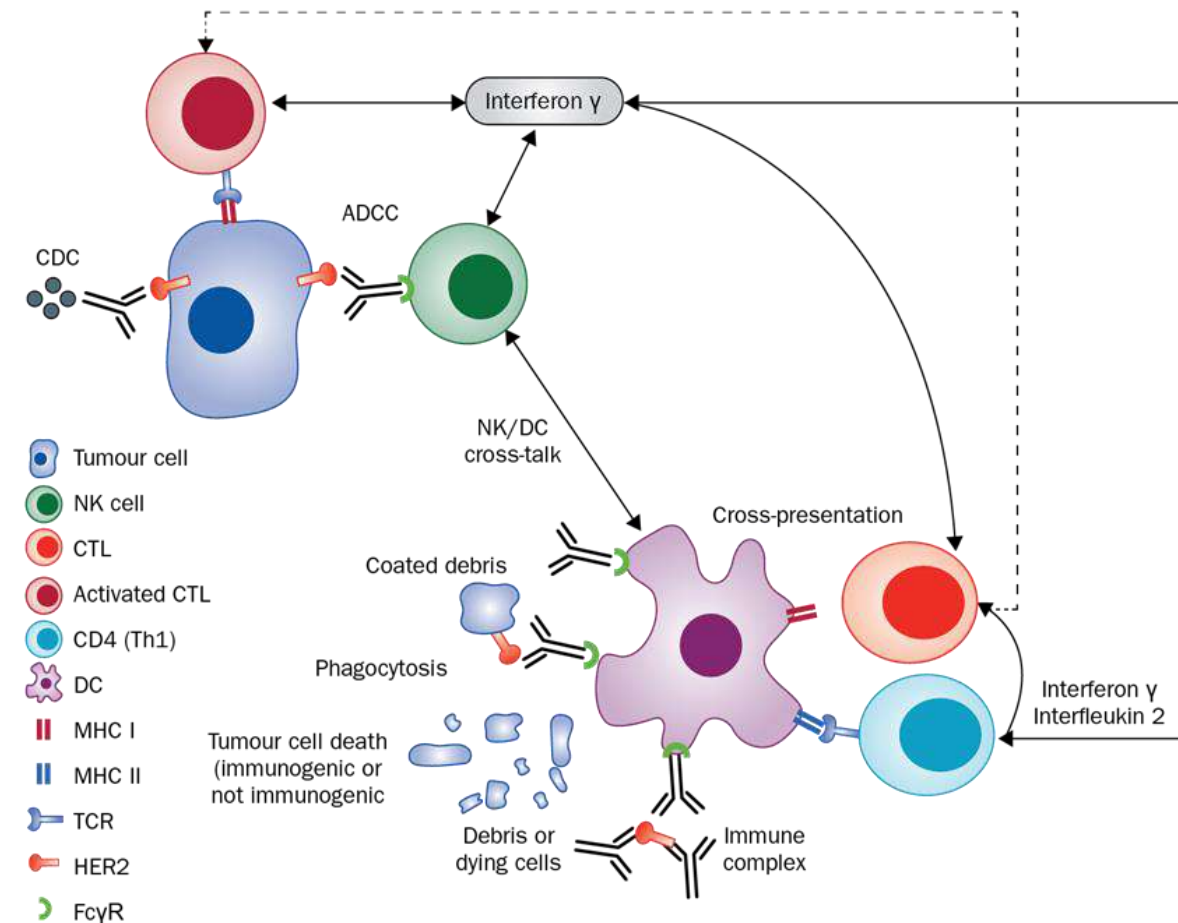


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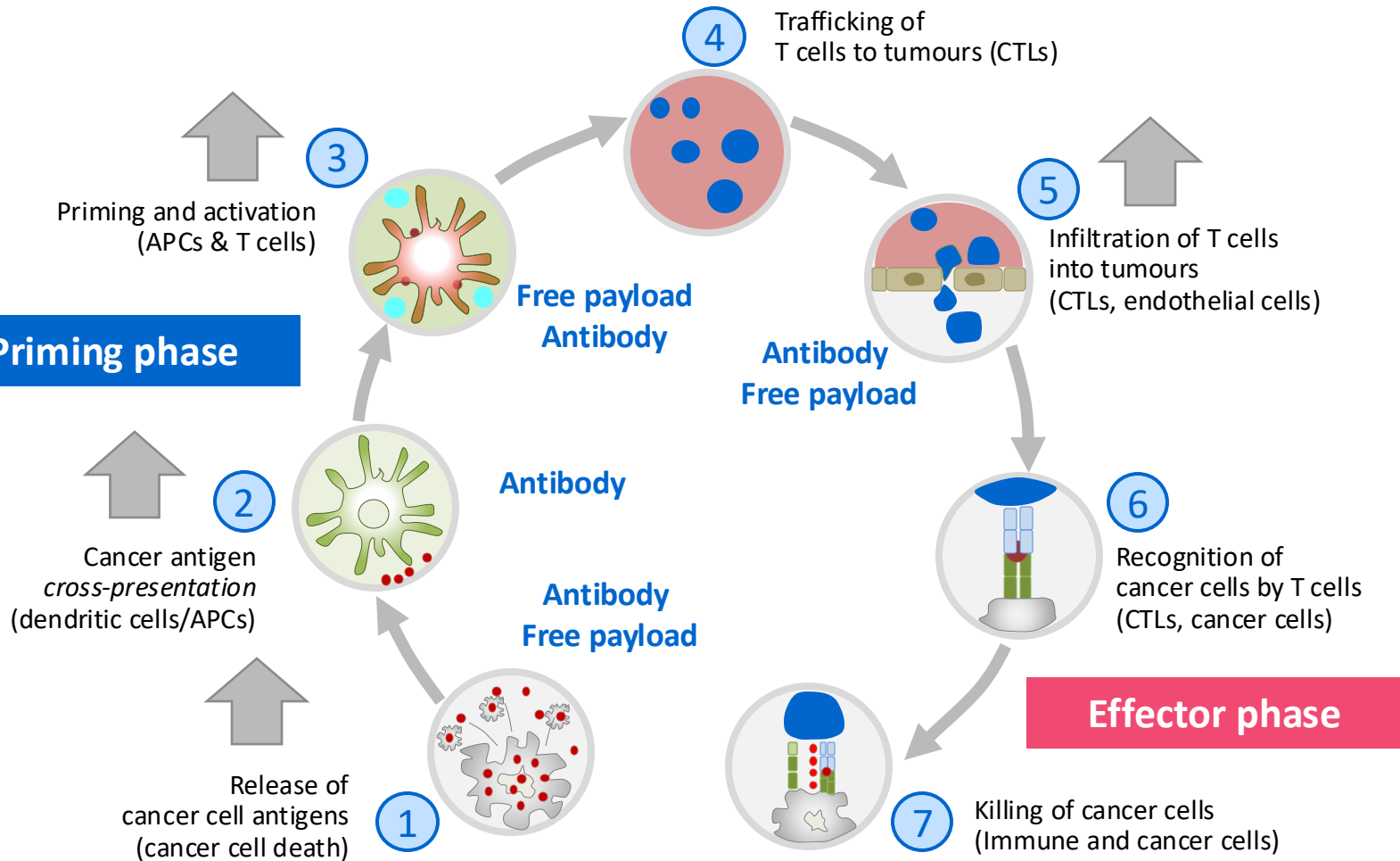
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- CD4 (Th1)
- DC
- MHC I
- MHC II
- TCR
- HER2
- FcγR

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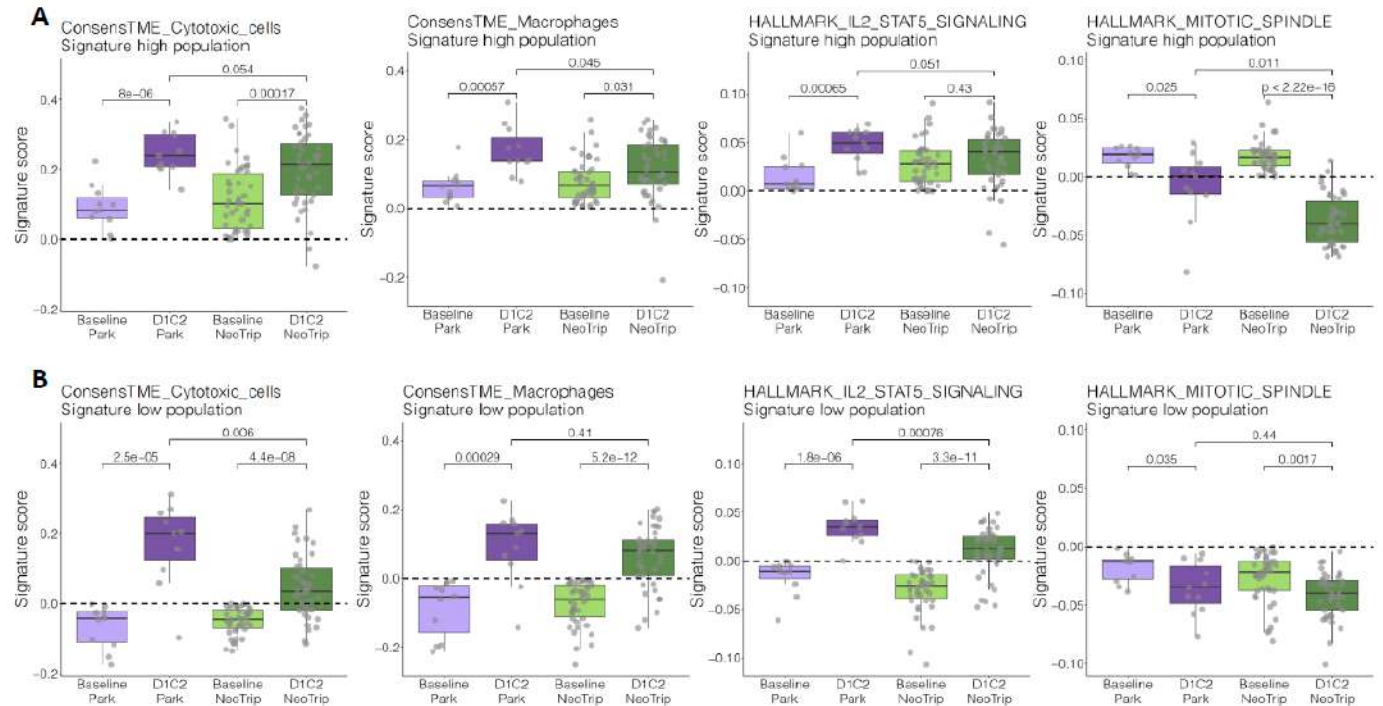
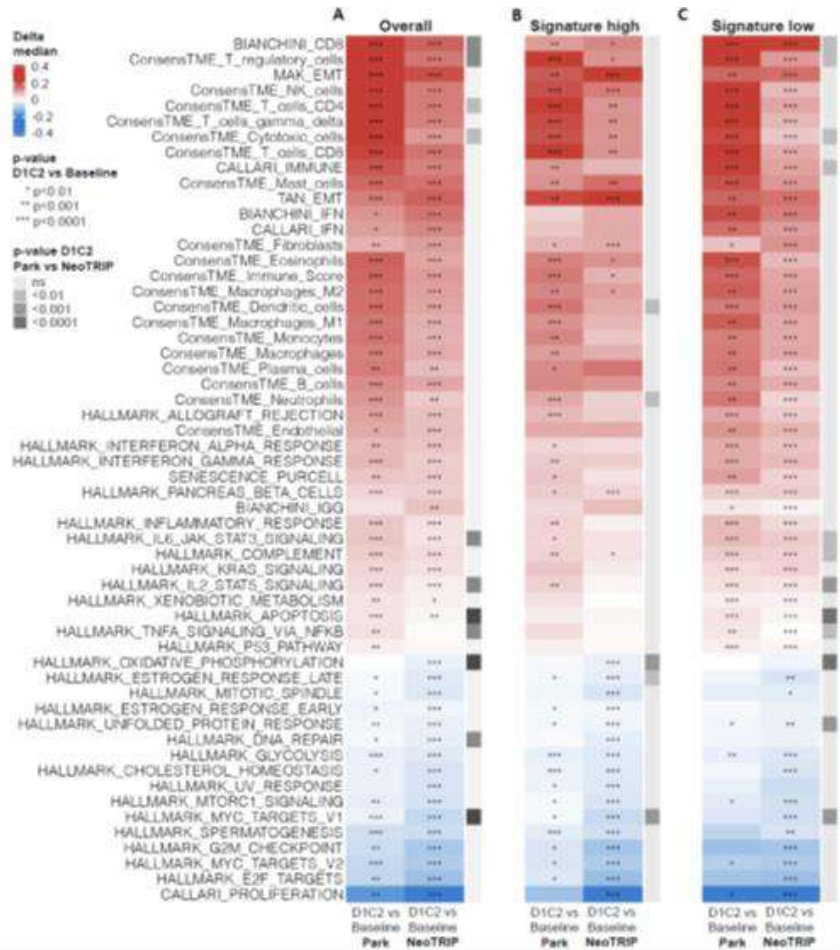
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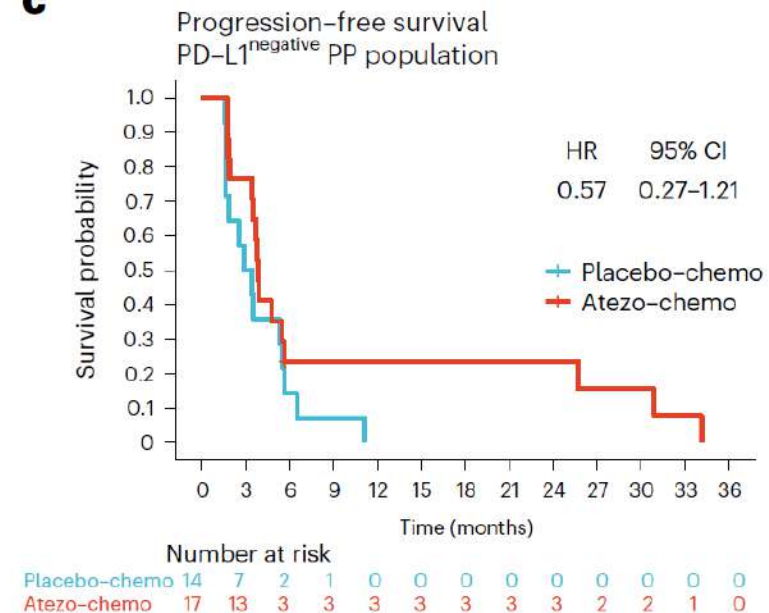
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POSSIBLE BENEFIT FROM ATEZOLIZUMAB COMBINED TO ANTHRACYCLINES IN PD-L1 NEG METASTATIC TNBC



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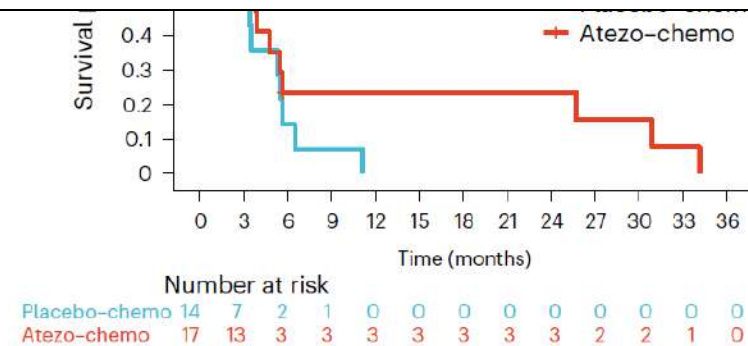


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Atezolizumab chemotherapy breast cancer: phase 2b ALIC

Promising results from ICI combinations with ADCs and antiangiogenic

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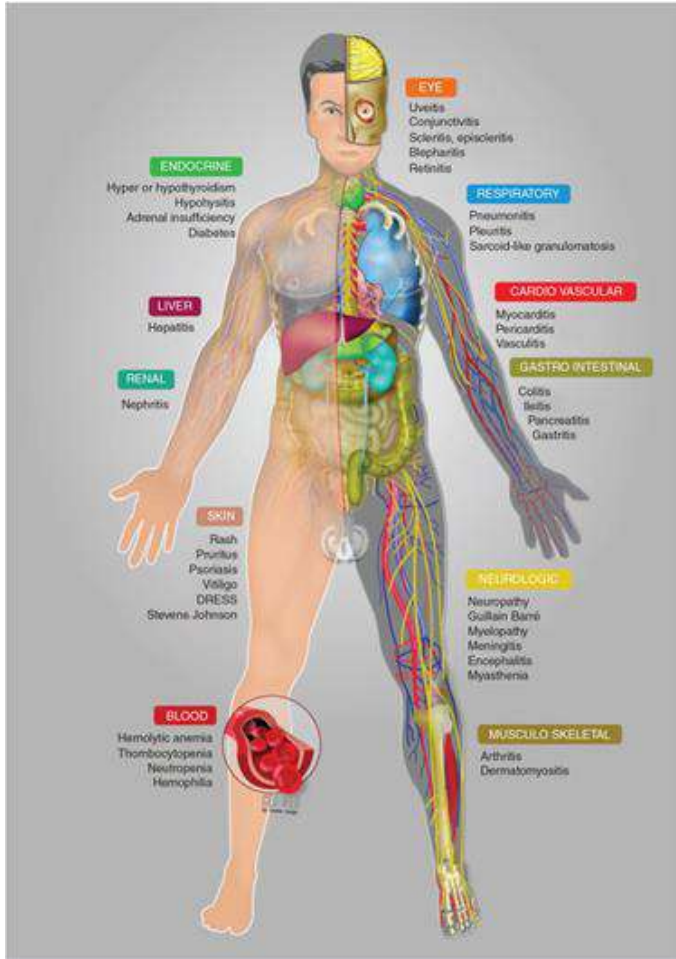
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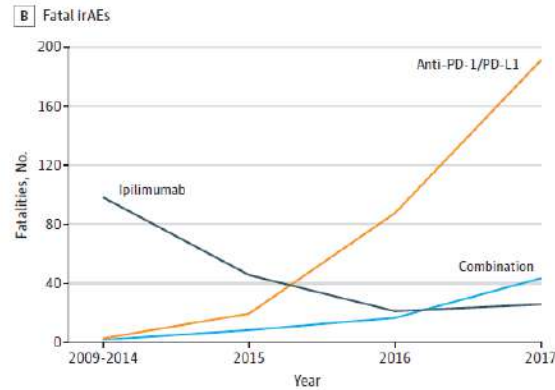
Urgent need, but great opportunity and promise

Precision Immunology

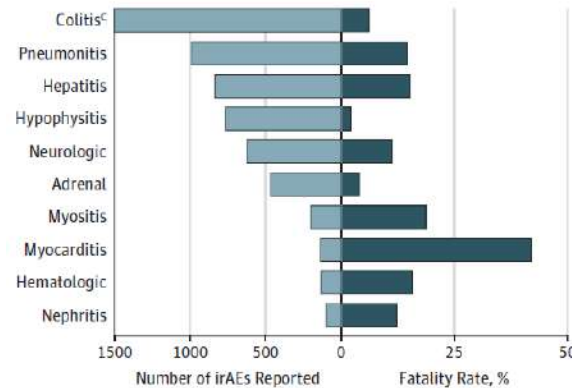
THE ACHILLES' HEEL OF IMMUNOTHERAPY AND IMMUNOTHERAPY COMBINATIONS



Fatal irAEs



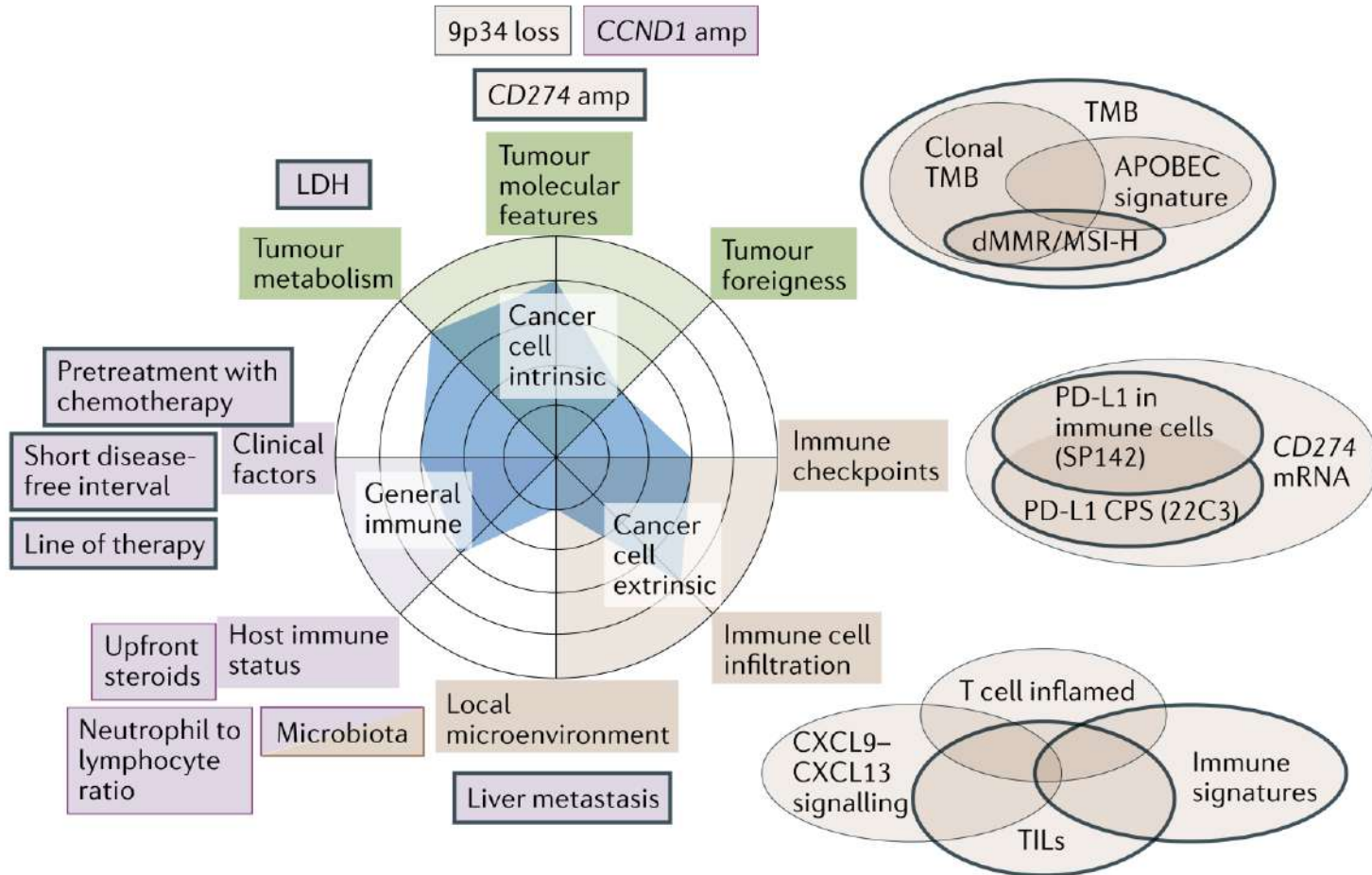
Cases and fatality rates



Fatal irAEs:
rare but real

Champiat et al Ann Oncol 2016; Wang et al, JAMA Oncology 2018; Bianchini G ESMO Breast 2023

MISSED OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRECISION IMMUNOLOGY: TAILORING IMMUNOTHERAPY ON INDIVIDUAL CANCER IMMUNOGRAM



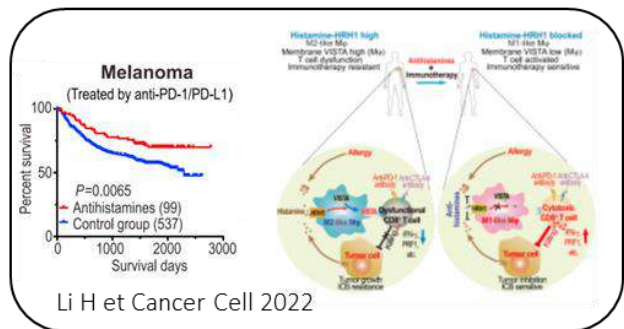
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Bianchini G Nat Rev Clin Oncol 2022
Licata L The Breast 2023



Expanding the concept of immune combinations

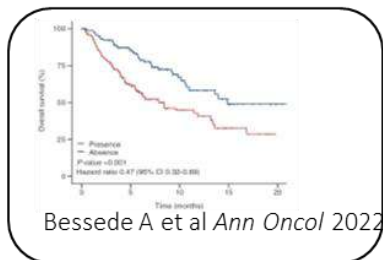
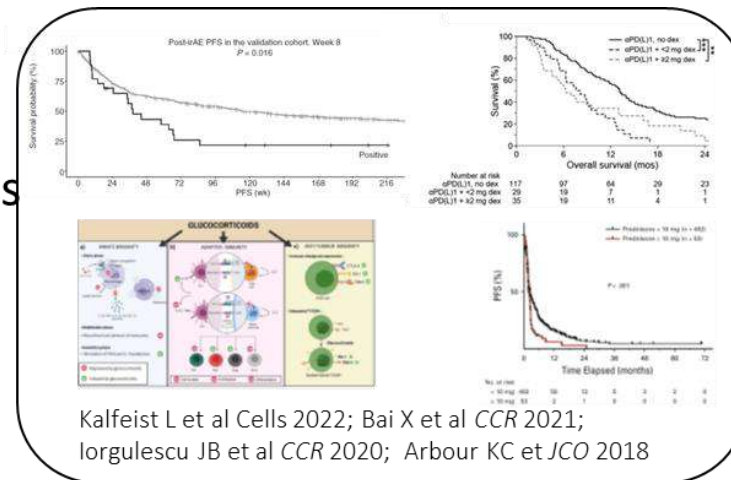
UNINTENDED AND UNDER-RECOGNIZED IMMUNEMODULATORS



H1-antihistamine



Corticosteroids

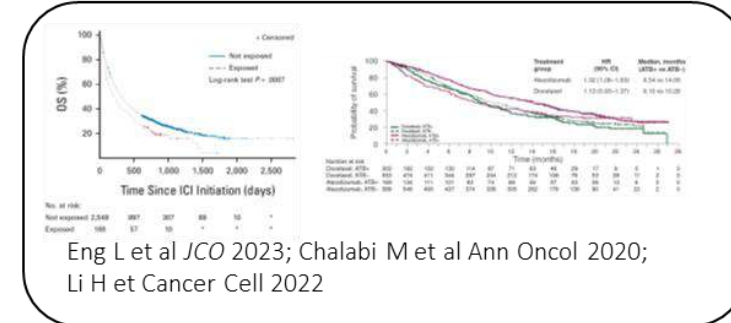
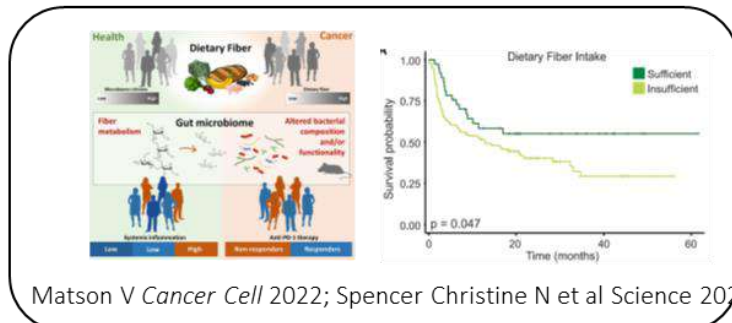
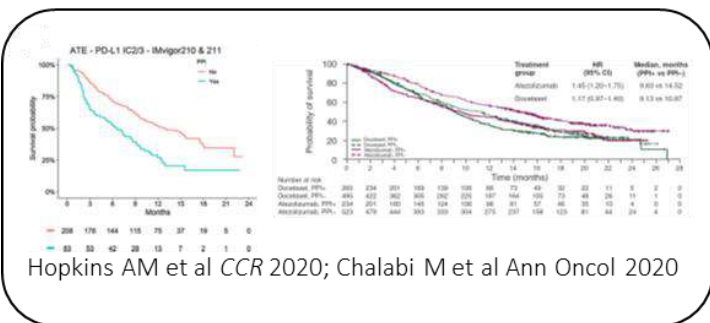


Acetaminophen



Antibiotics

Proton pump inhibitors Dietary change





Taking into account the host

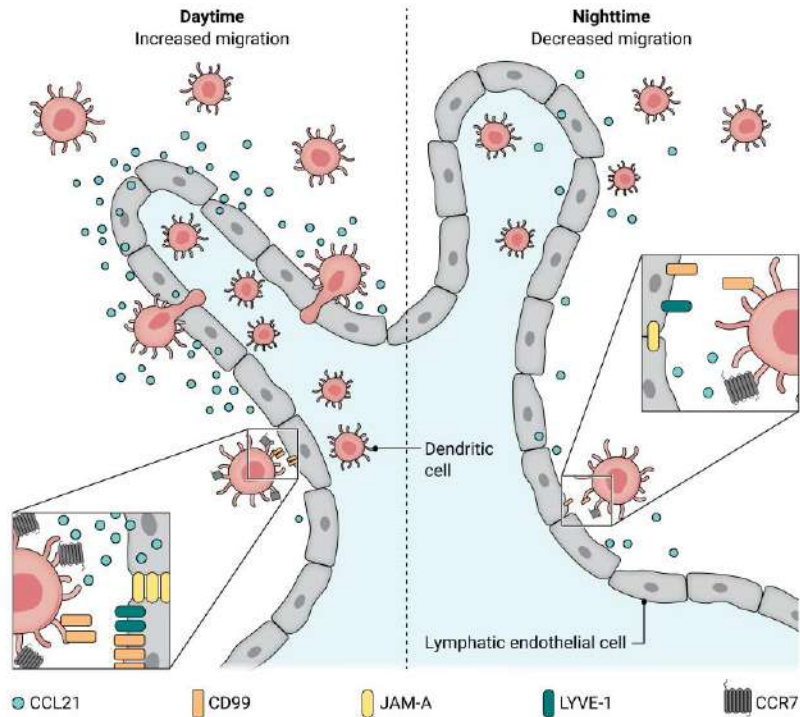
CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE CIRCADIAN CONTROL OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM

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IMMUNE REGULATION

The circadian immune system

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Benefits of morning vaccination

Morning vaccination

BCG (8 a.m.)

- Strong nonspecific trained immunity
- High cytokine secretion



Afternoon/evening vaccination

BCG (6 p.m.)

- No trained immunity
- Lower cytokine secretion



Influenza (9–11 a.m.)

- Higher antibody response



Influenza (3–5 p.m.)

- Lower antibody response



SARS-CoV-2 (9–11 a.m.)

- Higher neutralizing antibody levels
- Stronger B and T_h cell response
- Higher percentage of monocytes and DCs
- Higher percentage of memory B cells



SARS-CoV-2 (3–5 p.m.)

- Lower neutralizing antibody levels
- Lower B and T_h cell response
- Lower percentage of monocytes and DCs
- Lower percentage of memory B cells



- The quantity and function of tumor-infiltrating T cells are time-of-day dependent
- Rhythmic tumor infiltration of T cells depends on the endothelial circadian clock

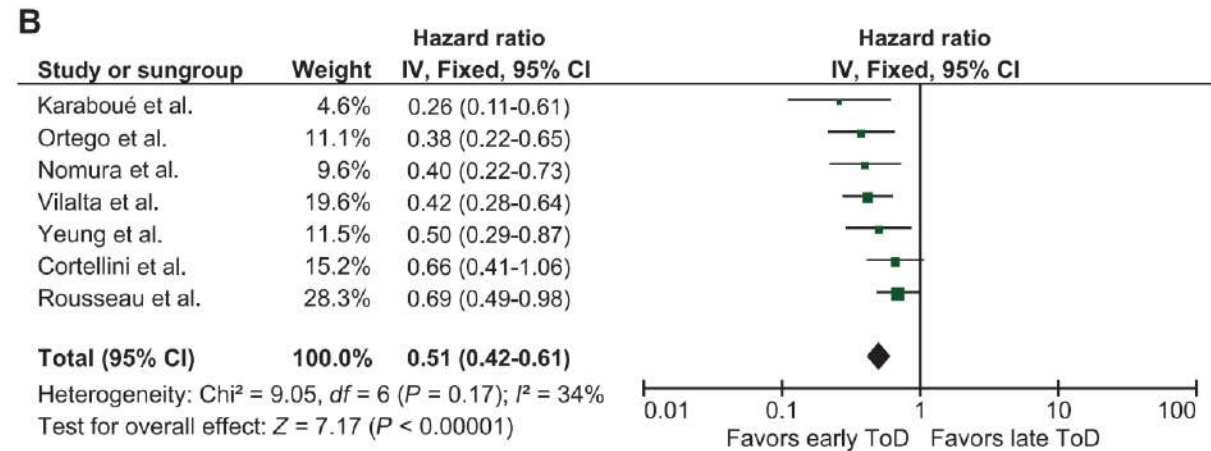
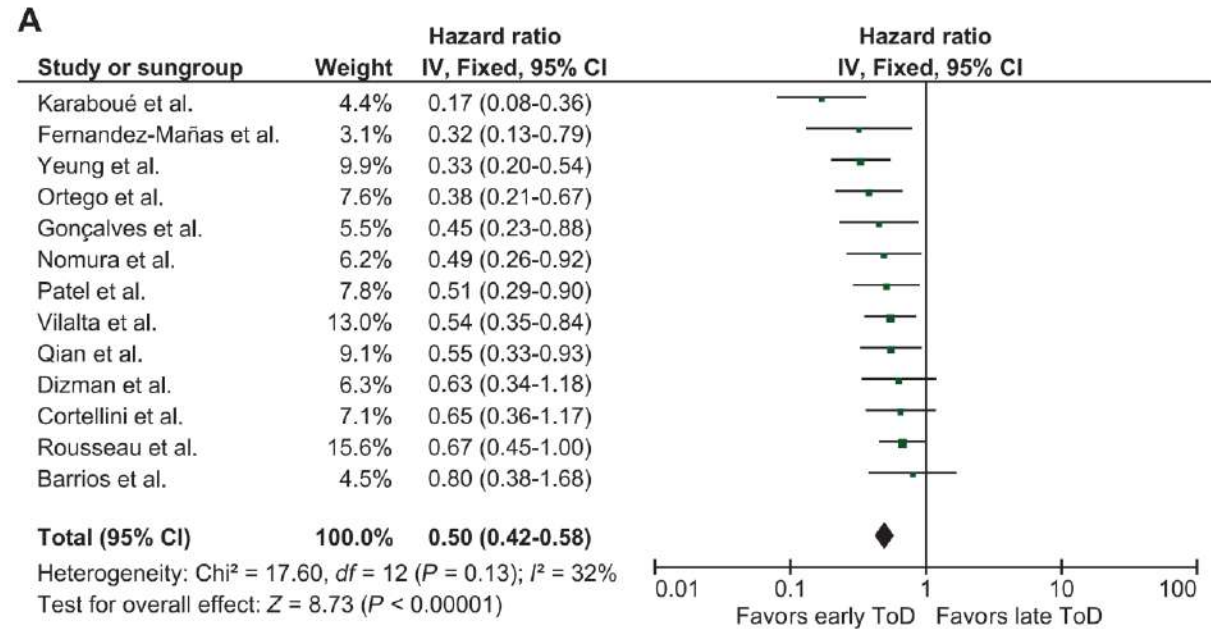
Wang C Science Immunology 2022; Wang C Cell 2024

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CLINICAL IMPACT OF IMMUNOTHERAPY-INFUSION TIME OF DAY: HOST MATTER

Morning administrations of ICIs is better



Landré T ESMO Open 2024



What's next?

Looking outside breast immuno-oncology



TUMOR VACCINES: THE LONG PATH FROM FAILURE TO SUCCESS



1990 to 2014
“Breast Cancer” & “Vaccine”
(ClinicalTrials.Gov)



Failure

172 trials

PERSONALISED mRNA THERAPEUTIC VACCINE



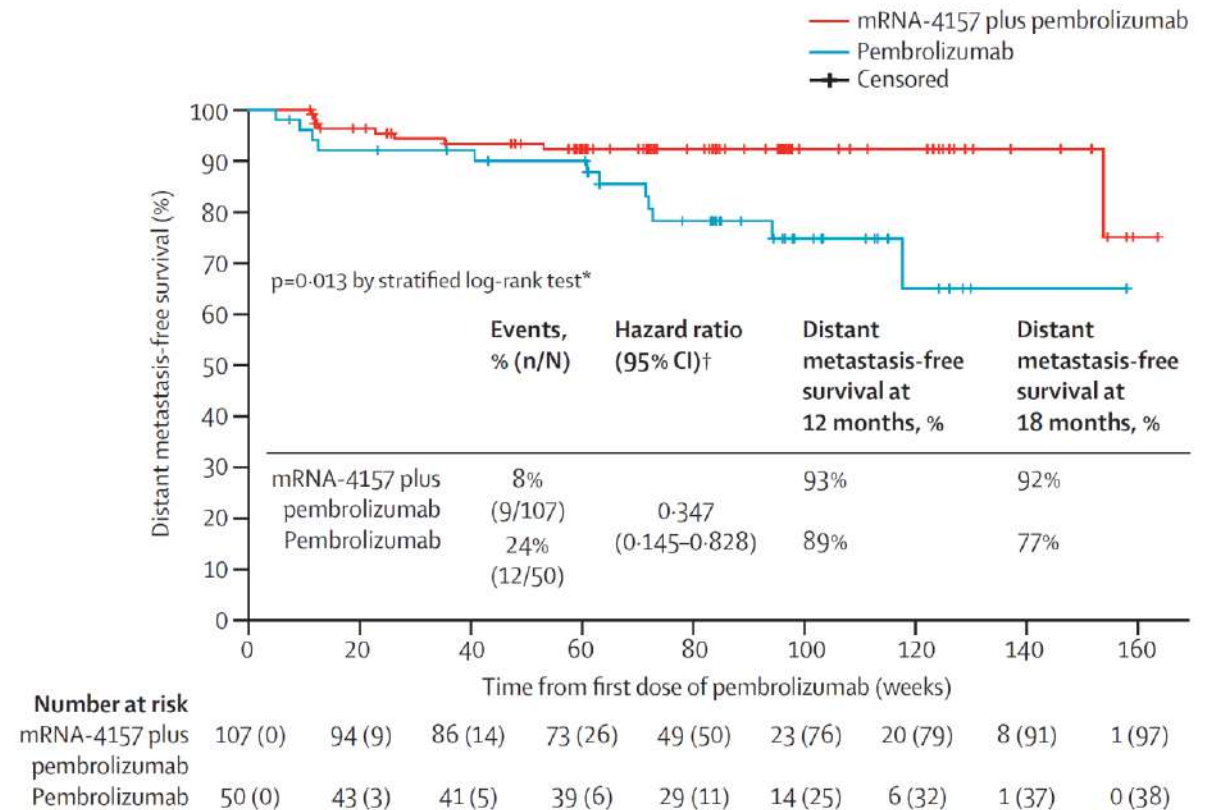
V940 vaccine (mRNA-4157)

It is a **personalised mRNA therapeutic created on demand** and encoding up to 34 neoantigens present in each patient's tumour

Weber JS Lancet 2024

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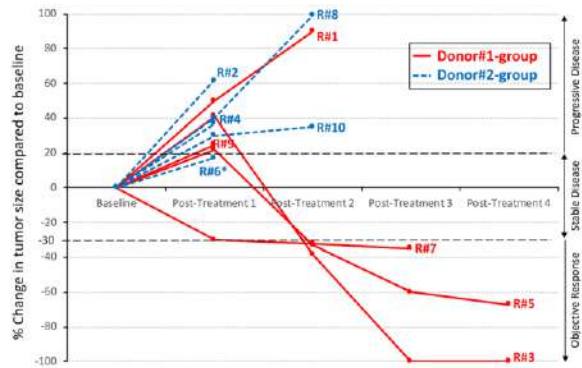


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FECAL MICROBIOTA TRANSPLANTATION (FMT) PLUS ICI

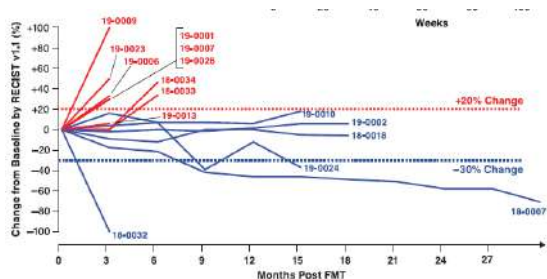


Fecal microbiota transplant promotes response in immunotherapy-refractory melanoma patients



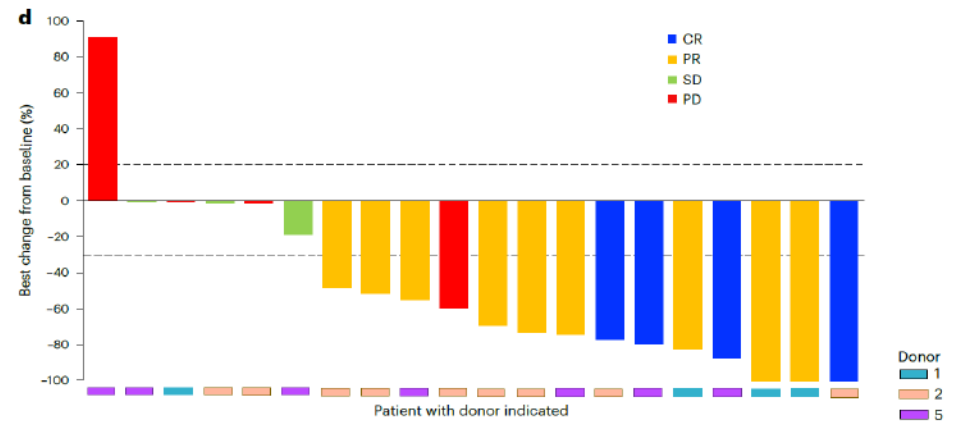
Baruch EN Science 2020

Fecal microbiota transplant overcomes resistance to anti-PD-1 therapy in melanoma patients



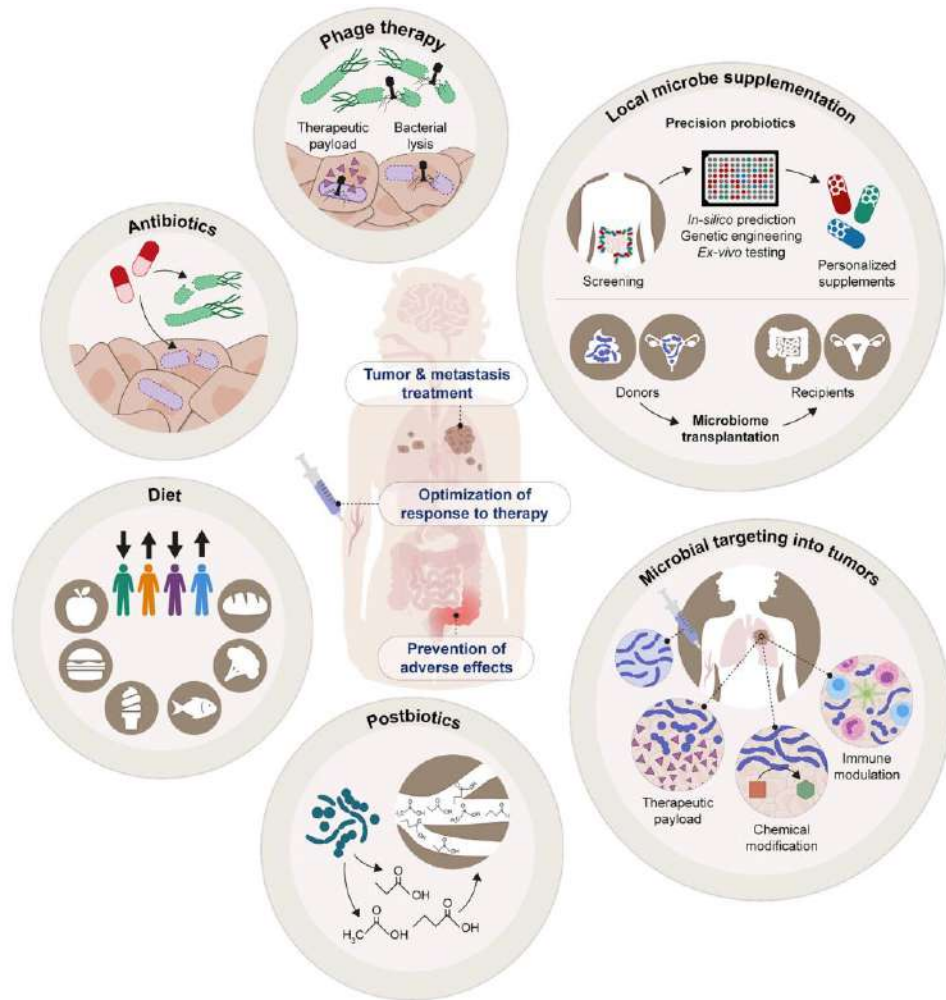
Davar D Science 2021

Fecal microbiota transplantation plus anti-PD-1 immunotherapy in advanced melanoma: a phase I trial



Routy B Nature Medicine 2023

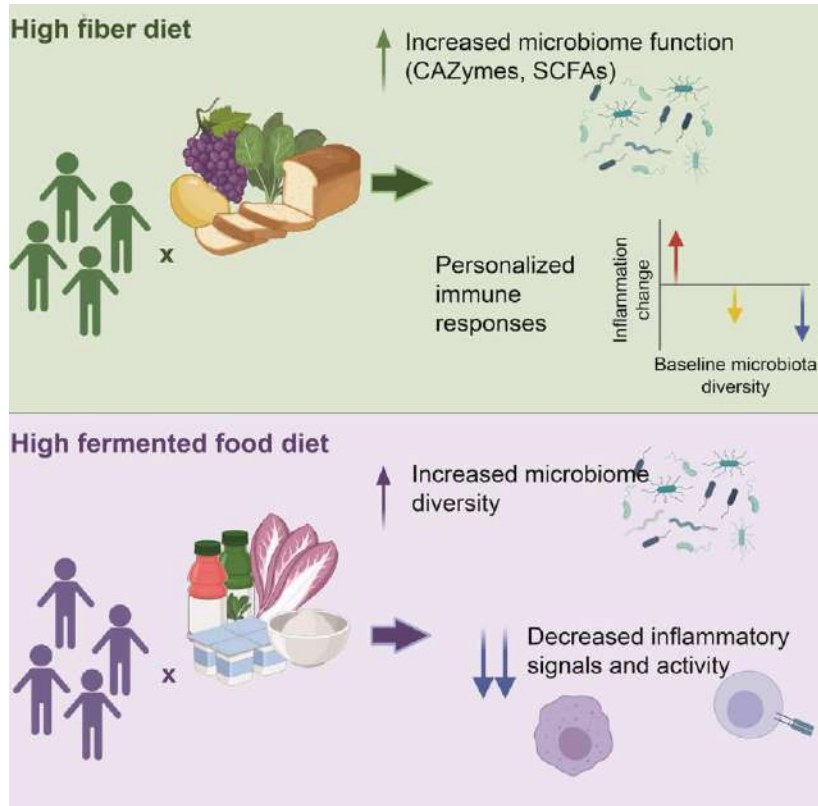
MICROBIOME MODULATION IN CANCER TREATMENT BEYOND FMT



Several modalities potentially enabling rational microbiome manipulation contributing to cancer treatment

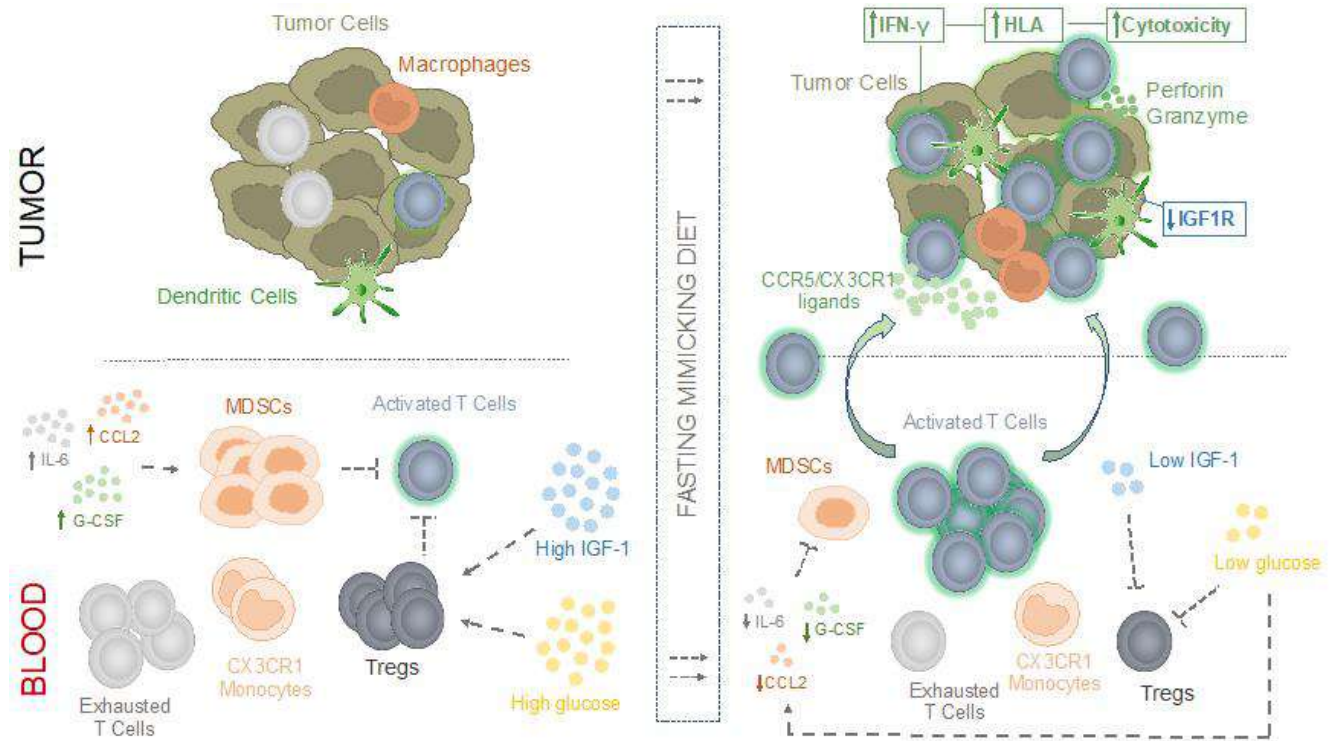
DIET AS THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTION

Gut-microbiota-targeted diets modulate human immune status



Wastyk HC Cell 2021

Fasting-Mimicking Diet reshapes metabolism and antitumor immunity



Vernieri C Cancer Discovery 2022

KEY ELEMENTS TO SUCCEED IN IMPROVING



- Develop a deep understanding of tumor-immune interactions and their relationship with the host
- Define the mechanisms of action for immune combinations and prioritize their clinical development based on strong scientific rationale
- Realize the promises and opportunities of precision immunology
- Apply lessons learned from the broader field of immuno-oncology

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Thank you

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