

UPDATES ON THE SYSTEMIC THERAPY AND SEQUENCING FOR HEAD AND NECK CANCER

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Objectives



- To discuss current SOC and sequencing for treatment of NPC, HNSCC, and DTC and where we are going for future treatment options.

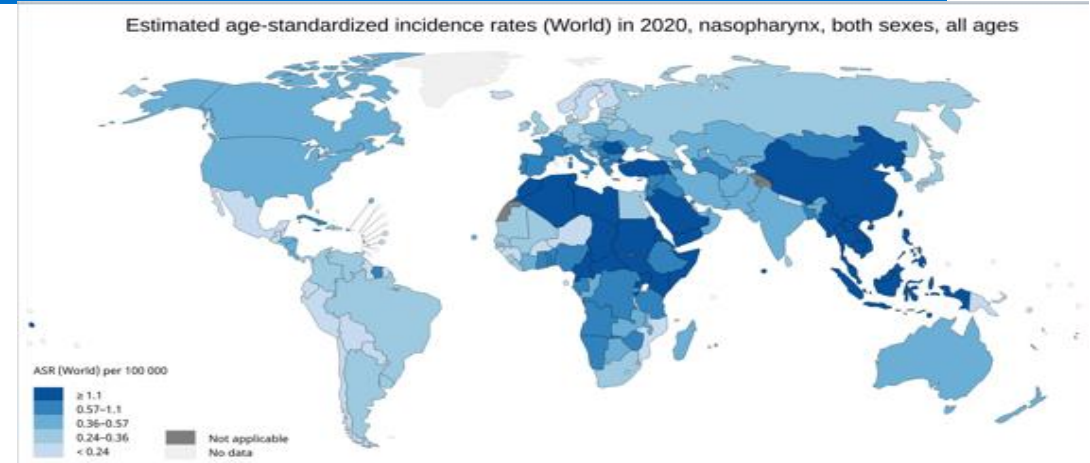


Nasopharynx Carcinoma

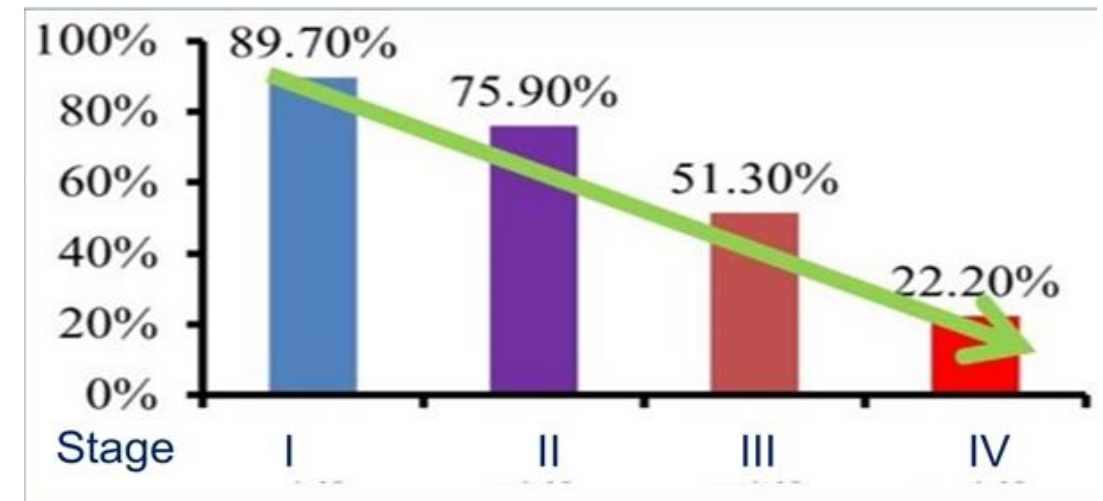
What are current treatment Recommendations?

Nasopharynx, Background

- 129,100 new cases/year and 73,000 deaths/year – worldwide
- Endemic areas in Asia and Africa, small pocket in South America – EBV related
 - WHO 3, non-keratinizing, undiff type and WHO 2 nonkeratinizing diff type
- Survival with CRT/Chemo has been significantly improved
- 20-30% of patients still have recurrence or develop metastatic disease and the prognosis is poor



Incidence of NPC worldwide in 2020¹



Mortality of NPC worldwide in 2020¹

International Agency for Research on Cancer 2020, World Health Organization (<https://gco.iarc.fr/today/home>)
Ferlay J, et al. Int J Cancer 2019; 144L1941-52

Nasopharynx – Where are we now in the treatment of metastatic nasopharynx?



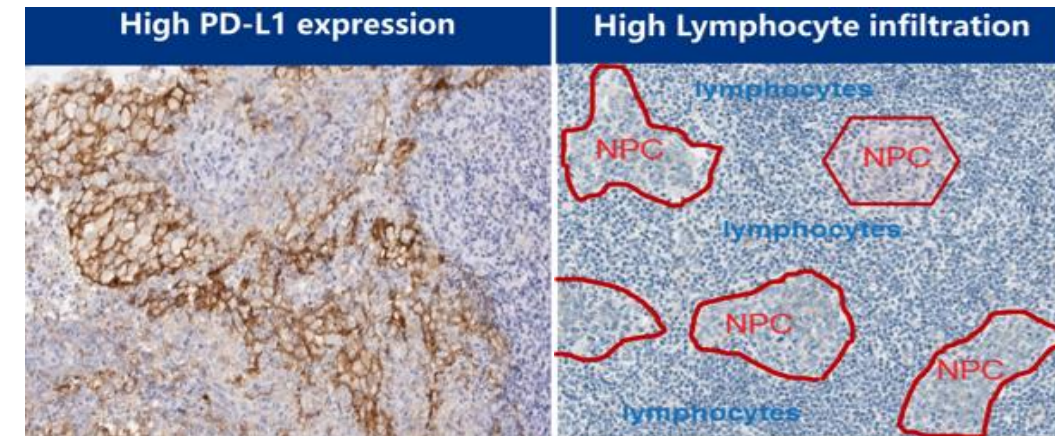
▪ Clinical trials preferred vs Platinum based chemotherapy

○ Preferred regimens as SOC, Front-Line

- Gemcitabine/CDDP Category 1 NCCN
- **ORR -64%** (42), **PFS 7 mos** (5.6), **OS 29.1 mos** (20.9)
- Others – CDDP/FU, Platinum/Taxane, Platinum/Cetuximab, Gem/Carbo

○ Subsequent lines

- Endemic NPC – Elevated PDL1 and Elevated TILs
- Immunotherapy (generally non-keratinizing, PDL1 +, TMB-H)



Zhang L et al, Lancet 2016;388:1883-92

Larbcharoensub N et al. Am J Clin Oncol 2018;41:1204-10



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[See Evidence Blocks for T0 \(EBV+\)-T1, N1-3; T2-T4 N0-3 nasopharyngeal cancer on NASO-B \(EB-1\)](#)

Recurrent, Unresectable, or Metastatic Disease (with no surgery or RT option)

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Nasopharynx, What are we exploring to Improve outcomes?

JUPITER-02: Study Design

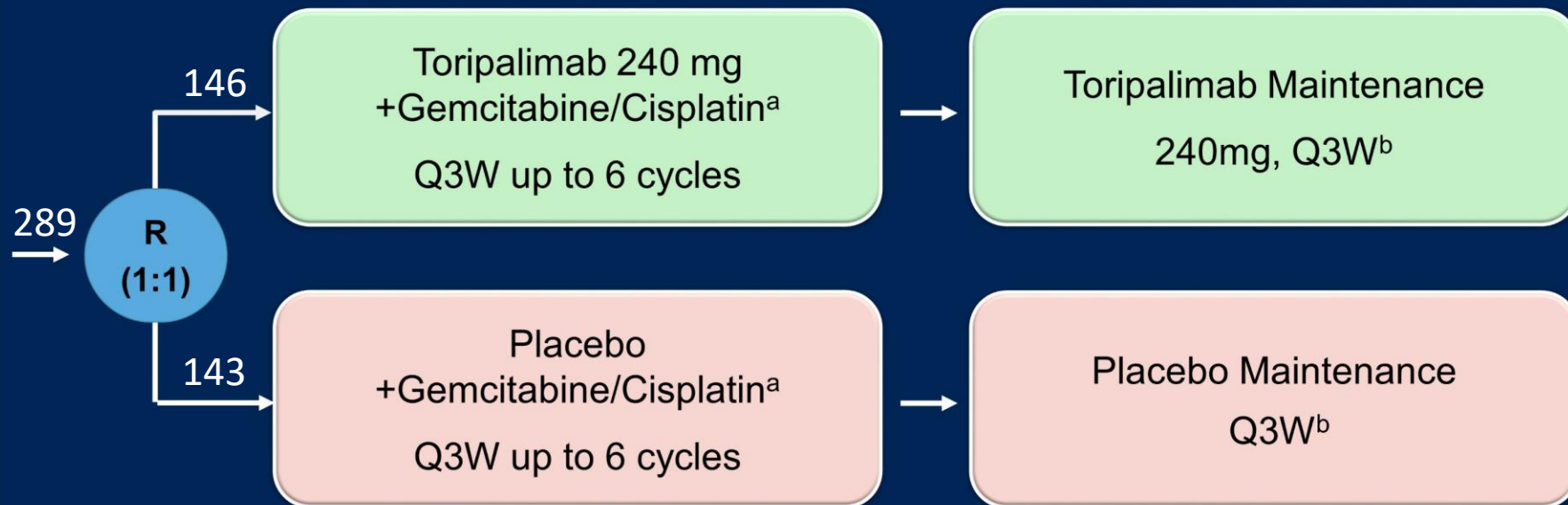
(ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT03581786)

Key Eligibility Criteria

- Primary metastatic NPC or recurrent NPC after curative-intent therapy
- Treatment naïve for recurrent or metastatic (R/M) disease
- ECOG 0-1
- 18-75 yrs
- Measurable disease per RECIST v1.1

Stratification Factors

- Recurrent vs Primary metastatic
- ECOG PS 0 vs 1



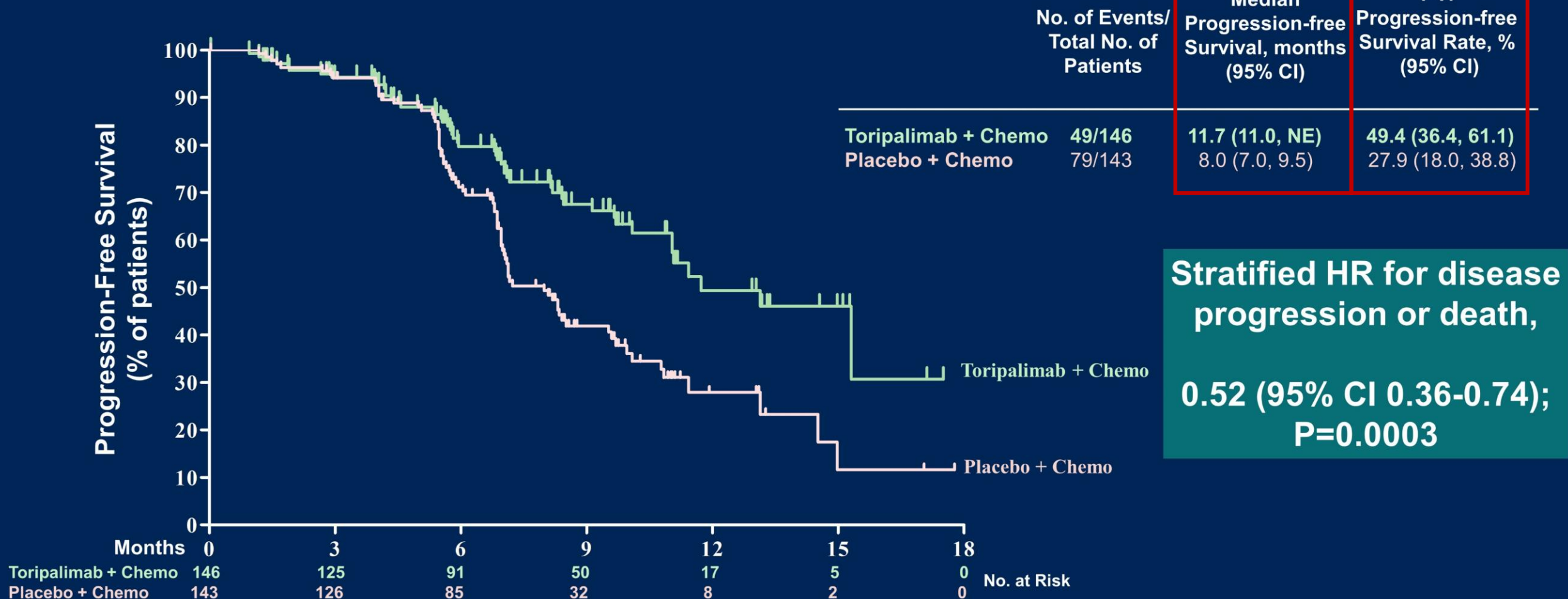
- Primary endpoint: PFS by a blinded independent review committee (BIRC) per RECIST v1.1
- Secondary endpoints: PFS by the Investigator, ORR, DoR, DCR, OS, and PFS & OS 1-year and 2-year rates

^a Gemcitabine 1000mg/m² D1,8 + Cisplatin 80mg/m² D1

^b Until progressive disease, excessive toxicity, withdrawal of consent or investigator's judgement or a maximum treatment of 2 years.

Progression-Free Survival by BIRC per RECIST v1.1

Interim Analysis Data cut-off Date: May 30, 2020



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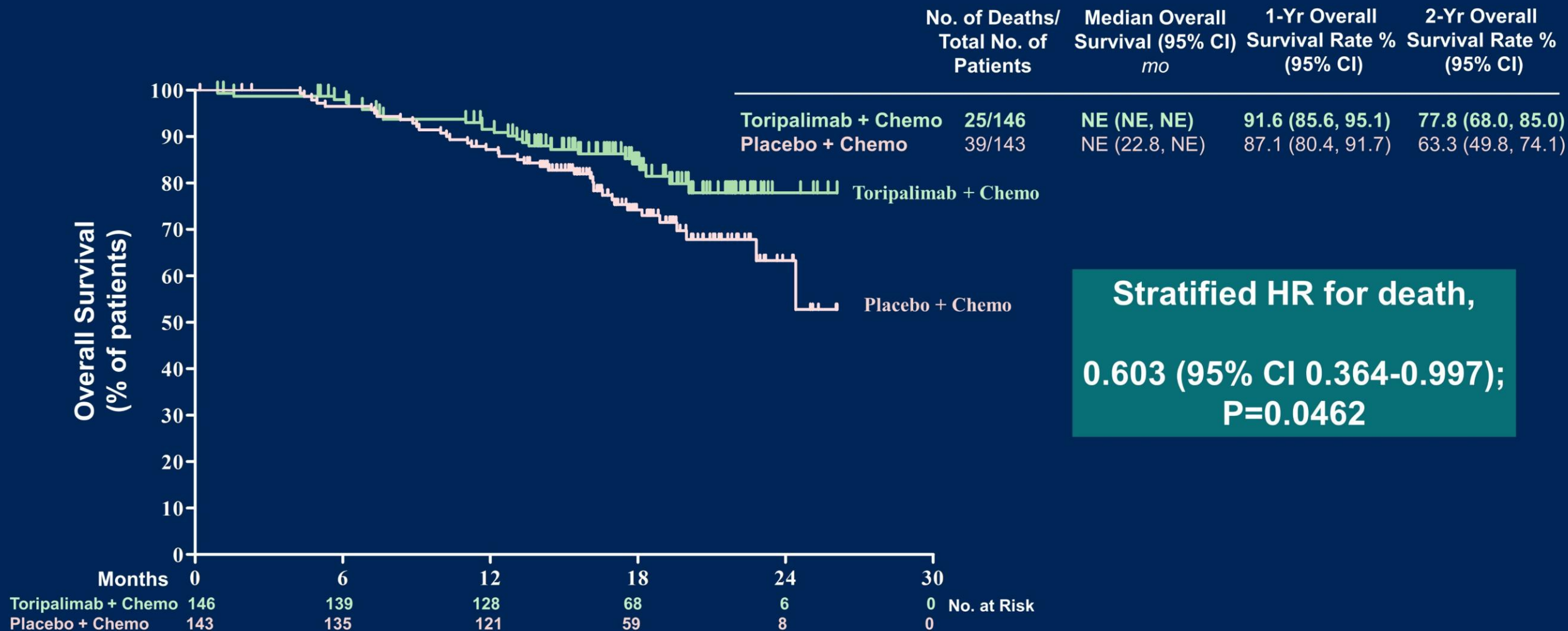
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Overall Survival Update

Nine-month OS update after PFS Interim Analysis on Feb 18, 2021



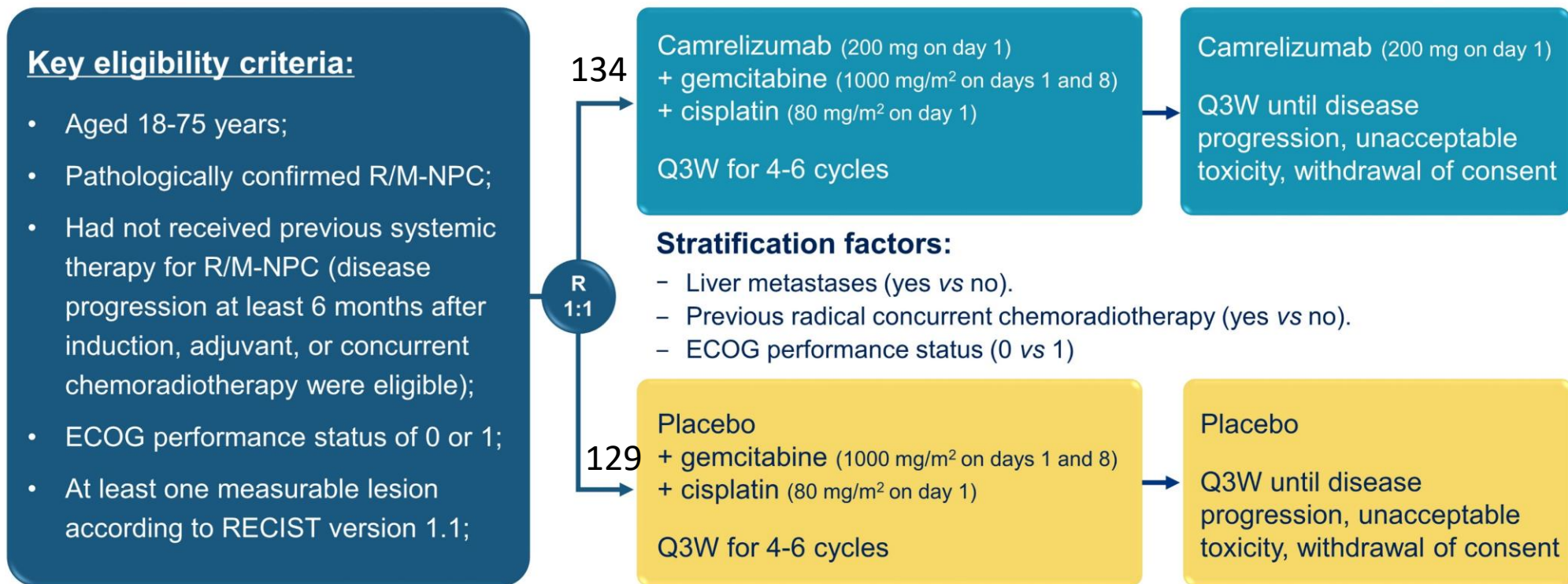
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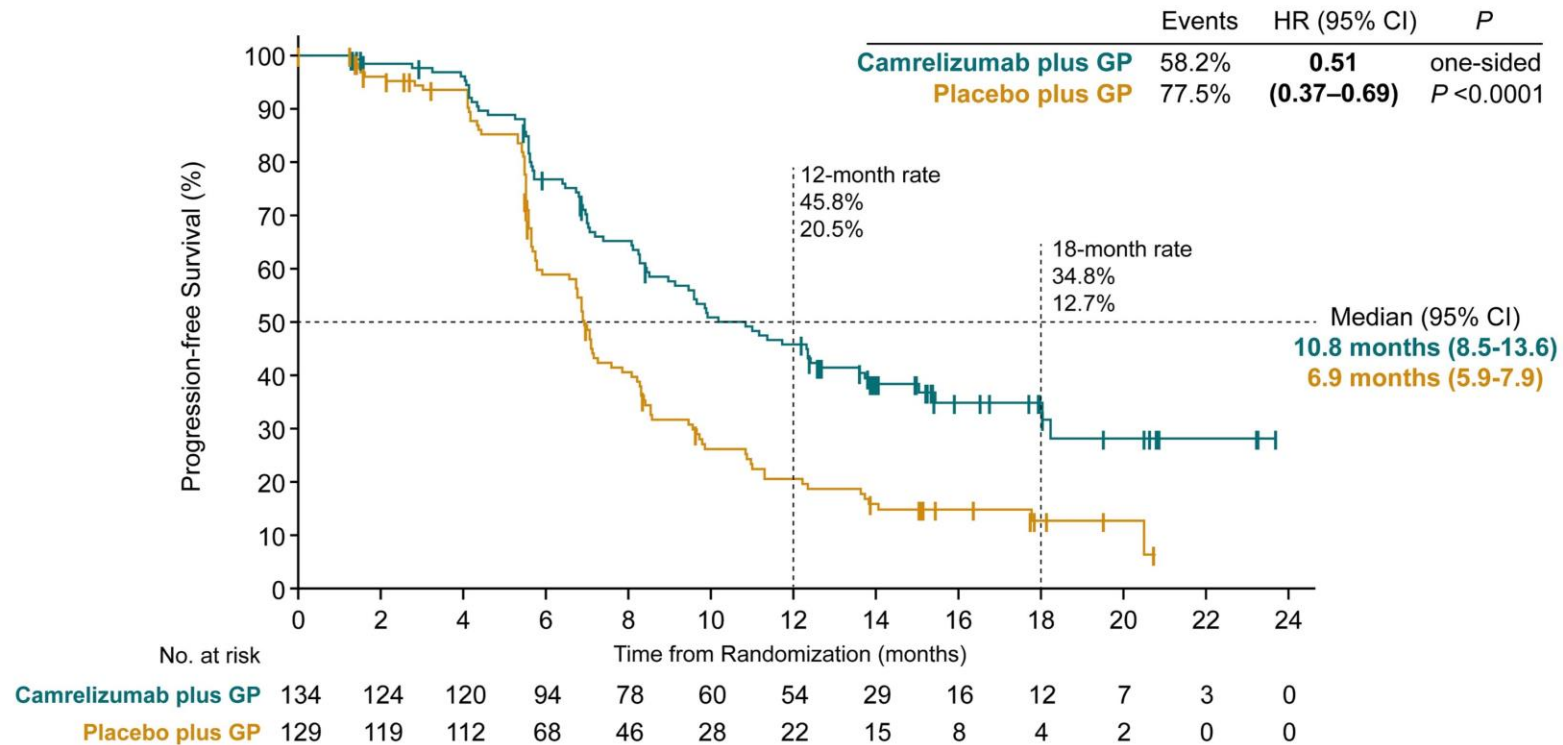
Study Design (NCT03707509)



- Primary endpoint: independent review committee (IRC)-assessed PFS
- Secondary endpoints: investigator-assessed PFS, ORR, DCR, DoR, OS and safety

ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; DCR, disease control rate; DoR, duration of response

PFS per IRC



- **Camrelizumab plus GP improved PFS compared with placebo plus GP, with a 49% lower risk of disease progression or death.**

Data cutoff on Dec 31, 2020

Presented By: **Li Zhang, MD**

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1st line NPC – Summary and Conclusion

- Addition of Toripalimab or Camrelizumab to GC prolongs survival

66.4%	GC	GC-T	GC	GC-C	p
mPFS	8.0 mos	11.7 mos	6.9 mos	10.8 mos	0.0003/<0.0001
DoR	5.7 mos	10.0 mos	5.7 mos	9.9 mos	
mOS	NR	NR	22.6 mos	NR	
ORR	66.4%	77.4%	80.6%	88.1%	0.03/NS

- No new safety signals
- GC remains SOC first line
- Addition of Checkpoint inhibitor appears to improve PFS in patients with endemic NPC in front line with GC. Studies ongoing in US.
- Role of maintenance systemic therapy remains to be defined

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2nd line not well defined, CPI if indicated
Or a chemo not previously used.

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Ongoing Trials Phase III R/M NPC

Trial identifier	Ph	Study title	Patient selection	Primary end point
NCT02611960	III	Pembrolizumab versus standard of care (capecitabine, gemcitabine or docetaxel)	Subsequent line (N = 233)	OS
NCT03707509	III	Cisplatin gemcitabine ± Camrelizumab	1 st line (N = 250)	PFS
NCT03581786	III	Cisplatin gemcitabine ± Toripalimab	1 st line (N = 280)	PFS
NCT04458909	III	Cisplatin gemcitabine ± Nivolumab	1 st line (N = 316)	OS

Other Treatments in Development NPC

- Other IO and IO combinations with PD
- Vaccines,
- TILs, Allogeneic EBV T cells
- CCR4 antagonists, other signaling inhibitors coupled with CPI
- Bispecific or Antibody-drug conjugates



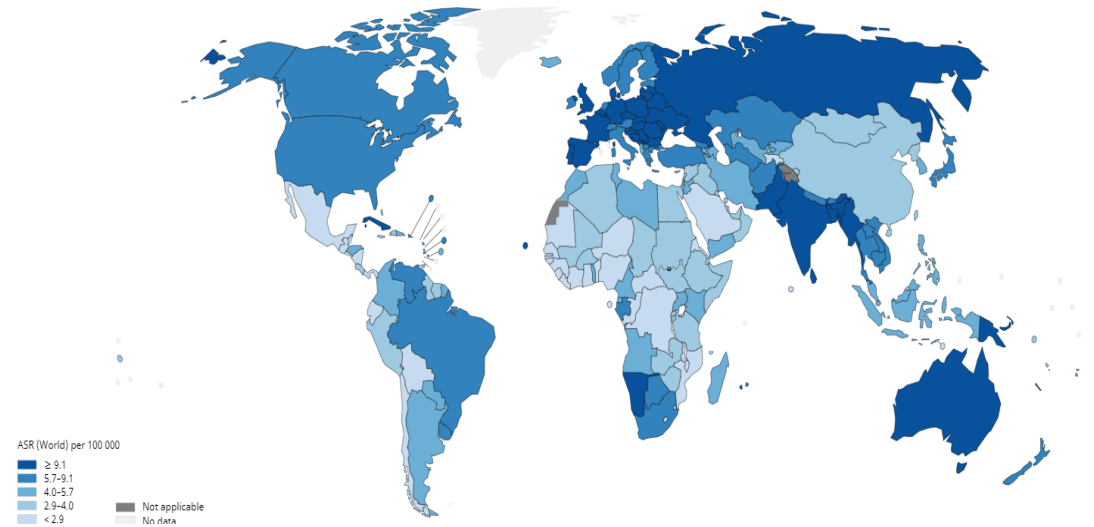
HNSCC, non-NPC

What are current treatment Recommendations?

HNSCC, Background

- Non-NPC HNSCC 744,994 new cases/year and 364,339 deaths/year – worldwide
- Heterogenous group of malignancies
 - Tobacco/ETOH
 - HPV (US, Canada, Australia, Brazil, Europe)
- 50% of patients still have recurrence or develop metastatic disease and the prognosis is poor

Estimated age-standardized incidence rates (World) in 2020, hypopharynx, lip, oral cavity, larynx, hypopharynx, oropharynx, both sexes, all ages



Site	New Cases	Deaths
Lip/Oral Cavity	377,713	177,757
Larynx	184,615	99,840
Oropharynx	98,412	48,143
Hypopharynx	84,254	38,599
Non-NPC HNSCC	744,994	364,339

International Agency for Research on Cancer 2020, World Health Organization (<https://gco.iarc.fr/today/home>)

HNSCC – Where are we now in the treatment of metastatic HNSCC?



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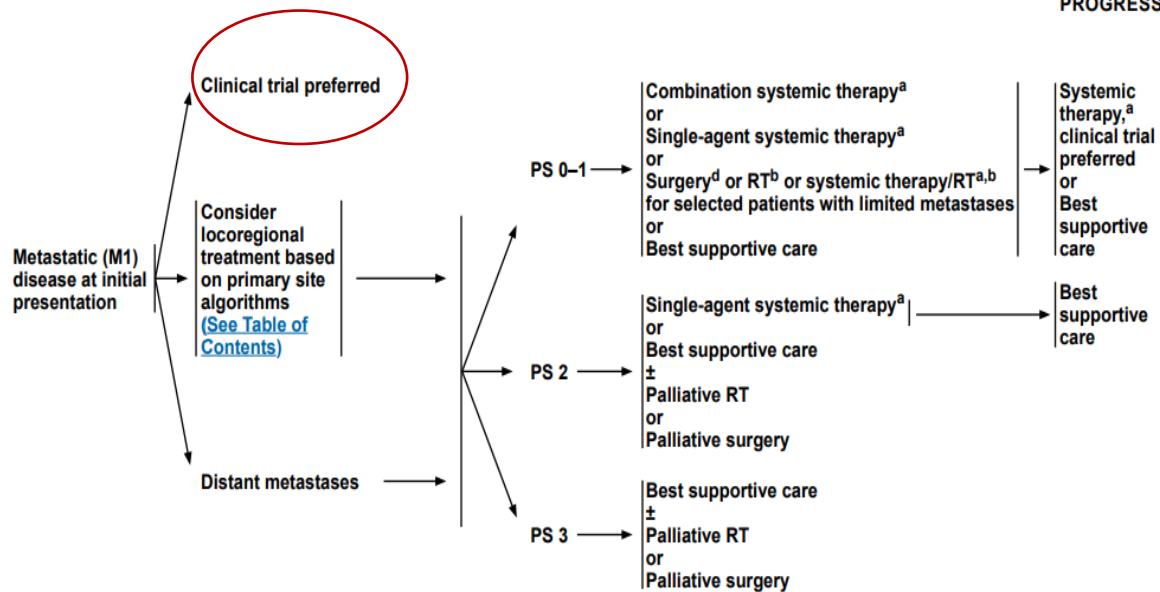
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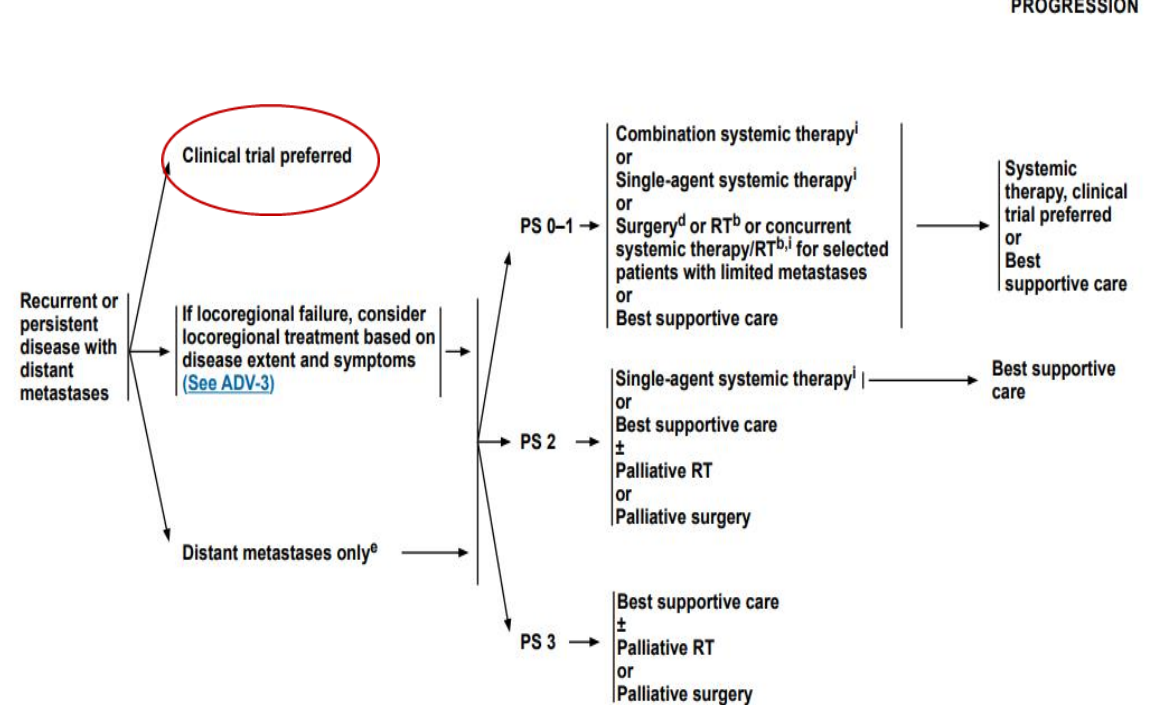
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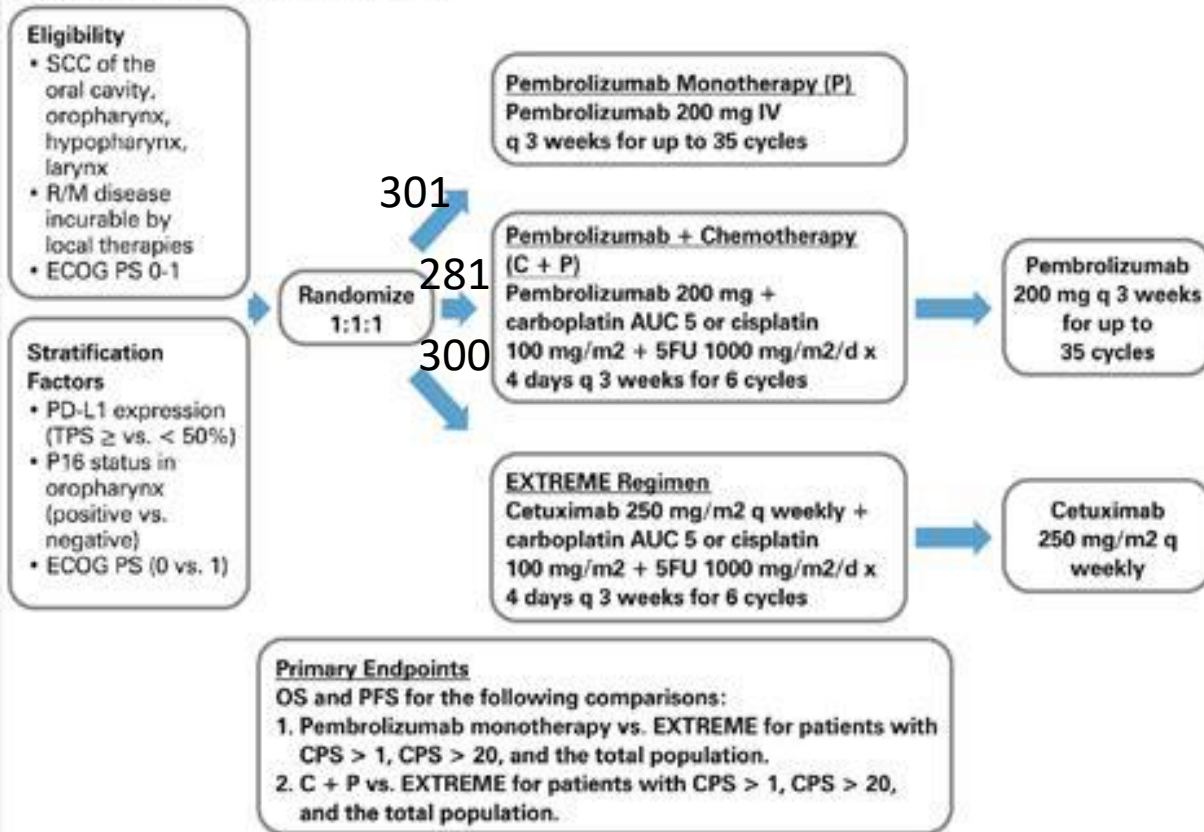
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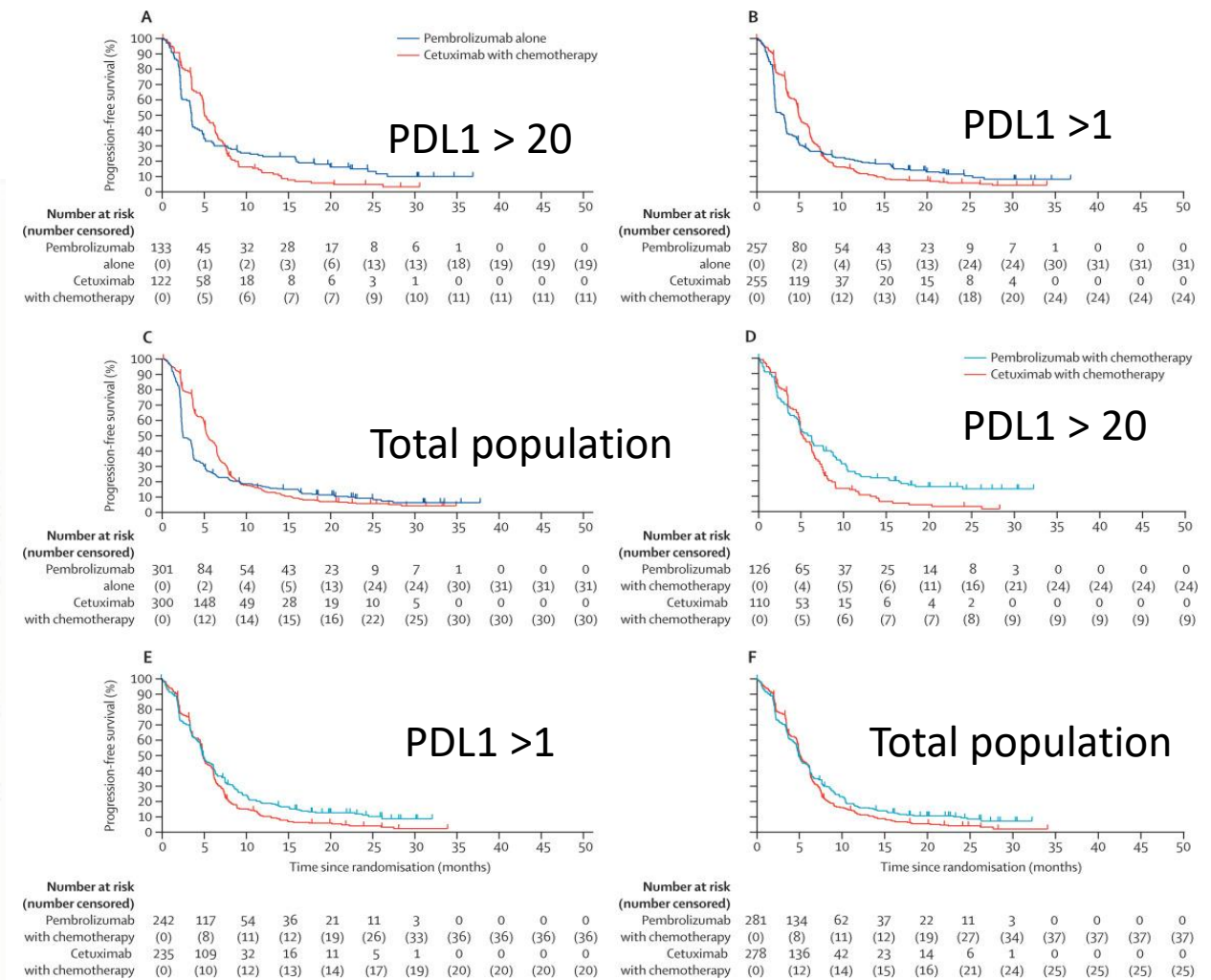
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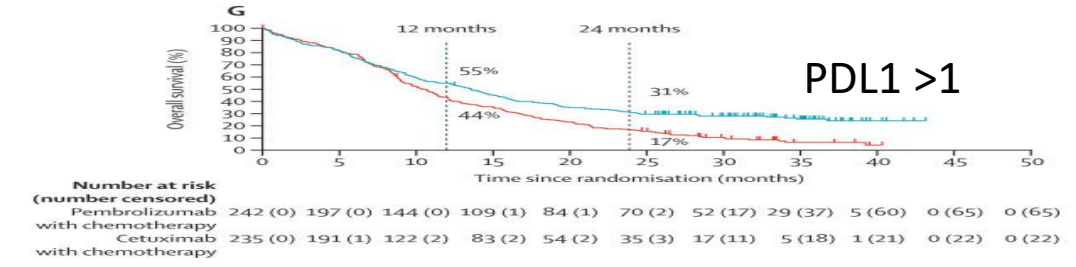
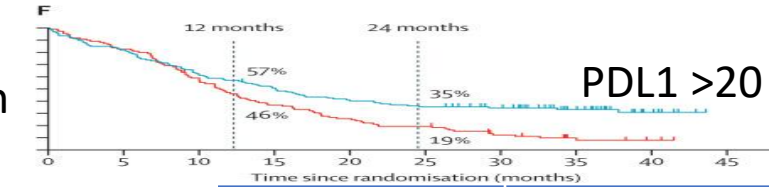
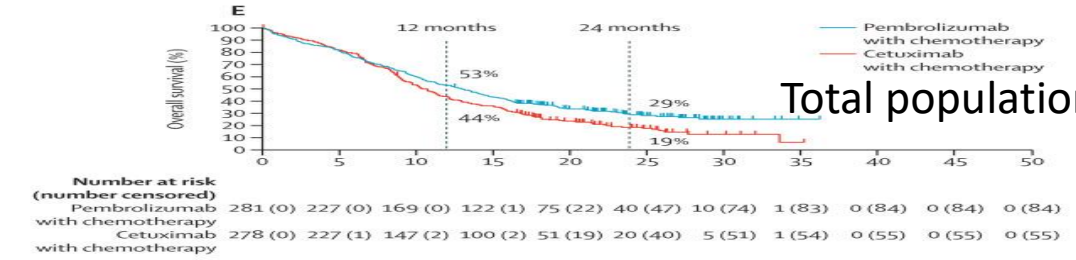
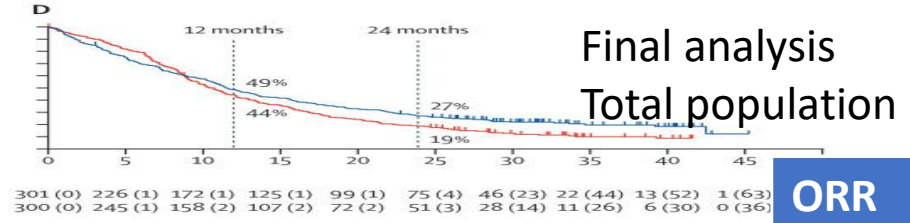
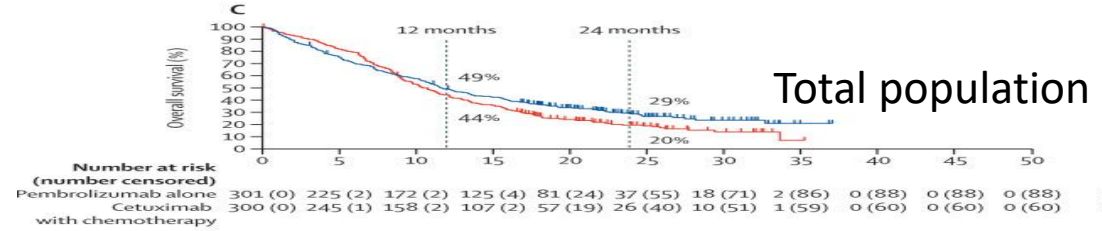
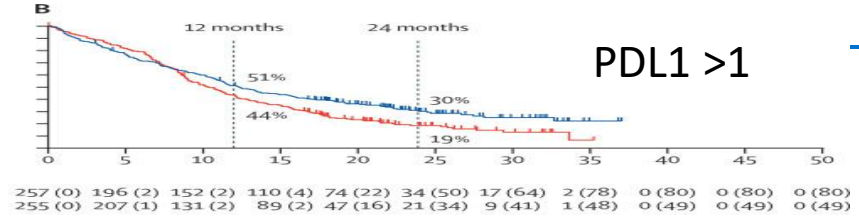
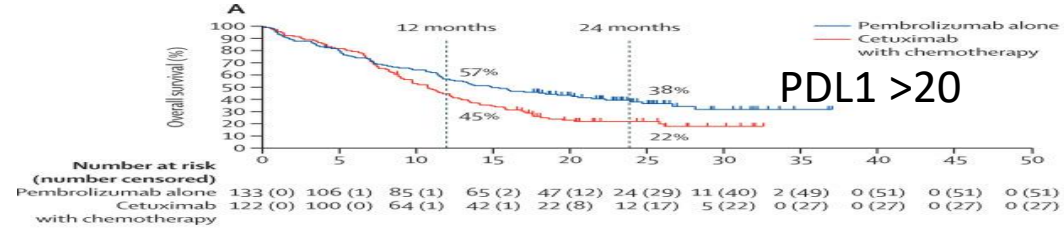


Abbreviations: AUC, area under the curve; C + P, platinum (cisplatin or carboplatin)/5-fluorouracil plus pembrolizumab; CPS, combined positive score; EXTREME, platinum/5-fluorouracil plus cetuximab; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; 5-FU, fluorouracil; IV, intravenous; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; R/M, recurrent/metastatic; SCC, squamous cell carcinoma; TPS, tumor proportion score.



	Pembro	EXTREME	CF-Pembro
PFS(CPS >20)	3.4 mos	5.0 mos	5.8 mos
PFS(CPS >1)	3.2 mos	5.0 mos	5.0 mos
All	2.3 mos	5.2 mos	4.9 mos

KEYNOTE 048 Overall survival



ORR	Pembro	Extreme	CF-Pem
CPS>20	23%	36%	43%
CPS >1	19%	35%	36%

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OS(CPS >20)	12m – 57%	45%	57%
	24m – 38%	27%	35%
OS(CPS >1)	12m – 51%	44%	55%
	24m – 30%	19%	31%
All	12m – 49%	44%	53%
	24m – 29%	20%	29%

Burtneiss B, et al. Lancet 2019;394:1915-28

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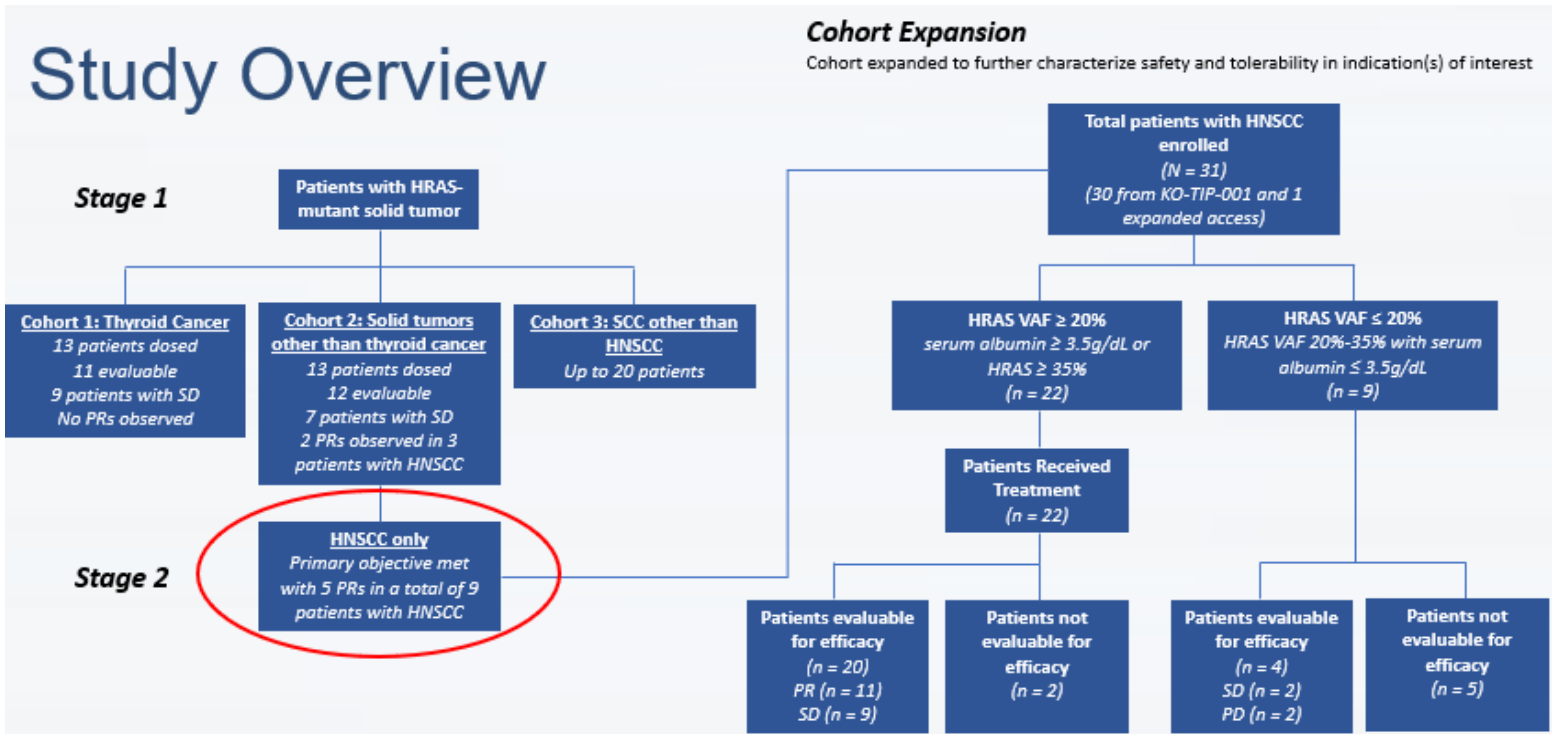
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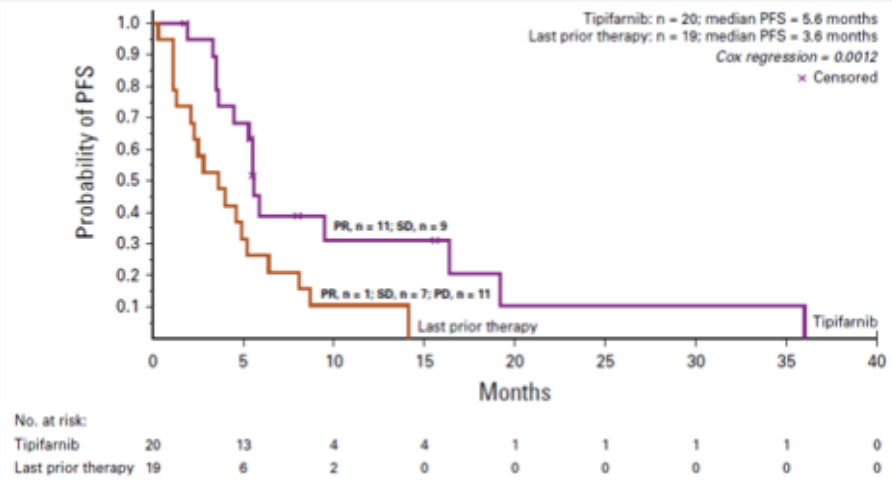


Study Overview



PFS

Kaplan-Meier analysis of Progression-Free Survival



Ho AL, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021;39(17):1856-1864

Efficacy n=20	Outcome	%(95% CI)
PFS	5.6 mos	3.6-16.4
OS	15.4 mos	15.4-29.7
ORR	(11/20)55%	31.5-76.9

Ongoing Trials Phase III R/M HNSCC - Targeted

Trial Identifier	Ph	Study Title	MOA	Pt Selection	Primary Endpt
04338399	III	BURAN	PI3K/Taxane	2 nd line/483	OS
02741570	III	Nivo/Ipi vs Extreme	CTLA4/PDL1	1 st line/947	OS
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00588770	III	Chemo+/-Bev	VEGF	1 st line/403	OS
04199104	III	LEAP-10 Pembro +/- Len	PD1/VEGF-TKI	1 st line/500	ORR/PFS/OS
04590963	III	INTERLINK-1	EGFR mab +/- Mab to NKG2A (NK cells/CTL)	2+ line Failed CPI/624	OS

Other Treatments in Development HNSCC, non-NPC

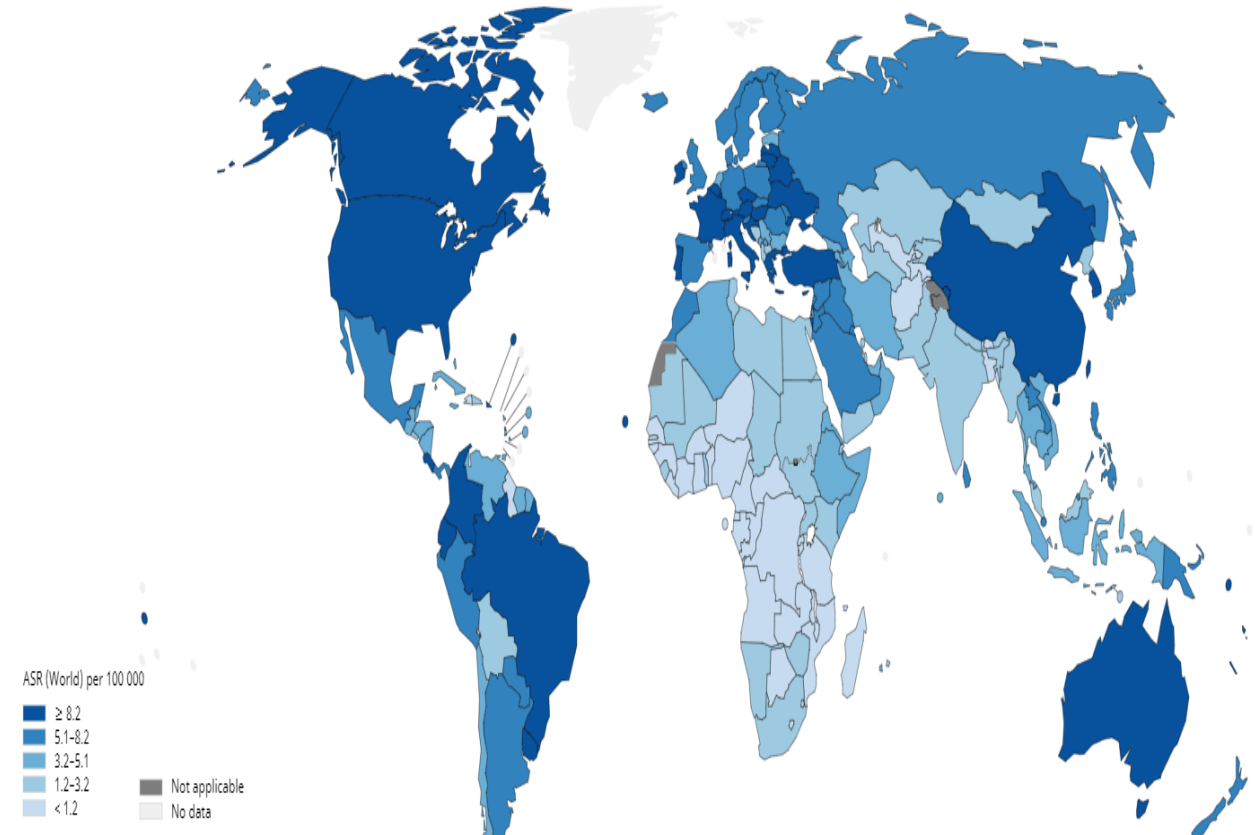


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- Other IO and IO combinations with PD (LAG-3, CTLA4, ICOS, STING, TIGIT)
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 - Bispecific or Antibody-drug conjugates

HNSCC, Background

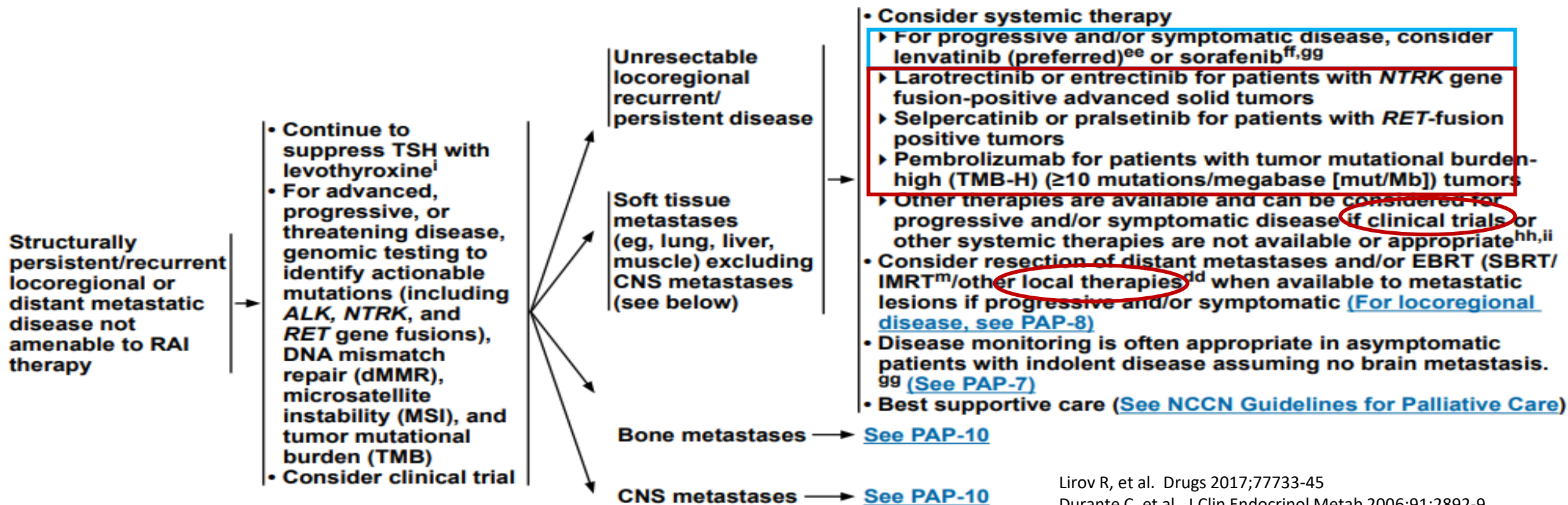
- Thyroid cancer 586,202 new cases/year and 43,646 deaths/year – worldwide
- Heterogenous group of malignancies
 - Differentiated TCA, Sporadic
 - Papillary
 - Follicular (Hurthle cell)
 - Medullary
 - MEN familial syndrome
 - Anaplastic/Insular Thyroid Cancer
- RAI Resistance - Molecular Targeted Agents for BRAF V600e, RET, NTRK
- RAI Resistance - Non-mutated, Metastatic DTC options update for

Estimated age-standardized incidence rates (World) in 2020, thyroid, both sexes, all ages



International Agency for Research on Cancer 2020, World Health Organization (<https://gco.iarc.fr/today/home>)

TREATMENT OF LOCALLY RECURRENT, ADVANCED, AND/OR METASTATIC DISEASE NOT AMENABLE TO RAI THERAPY

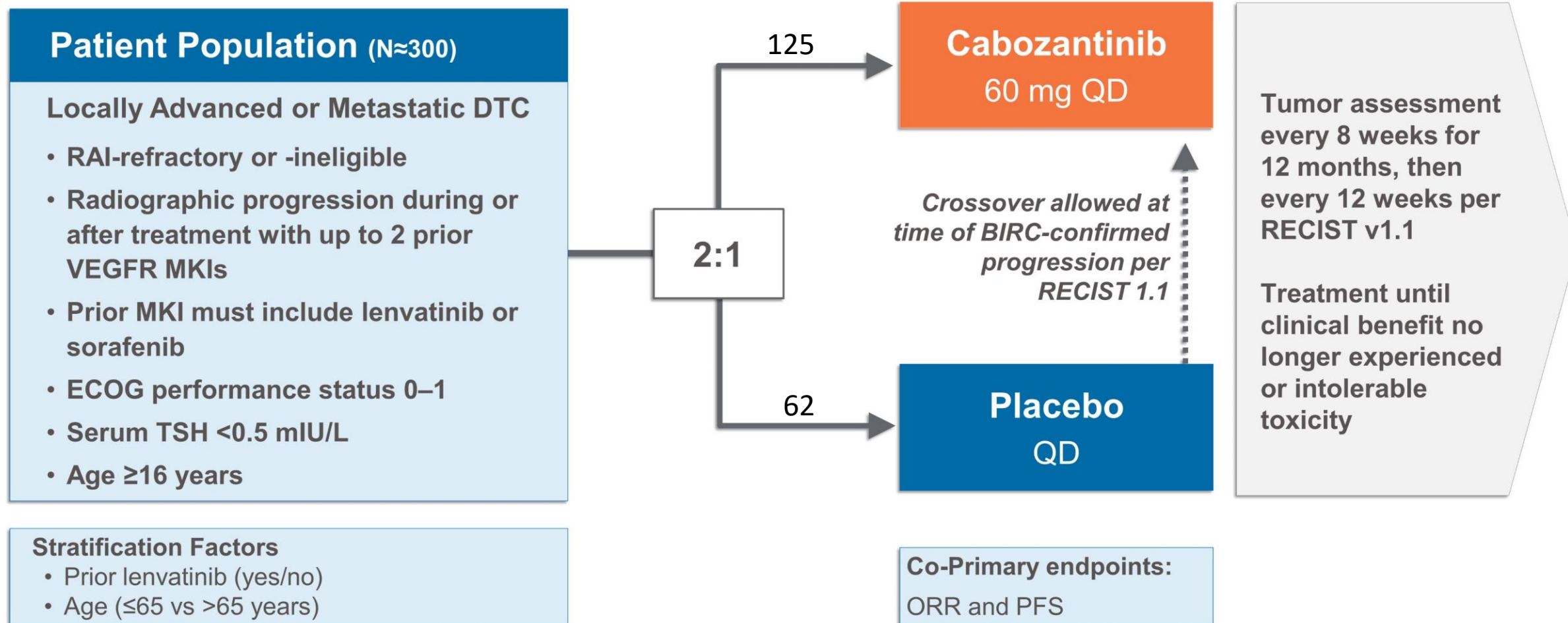


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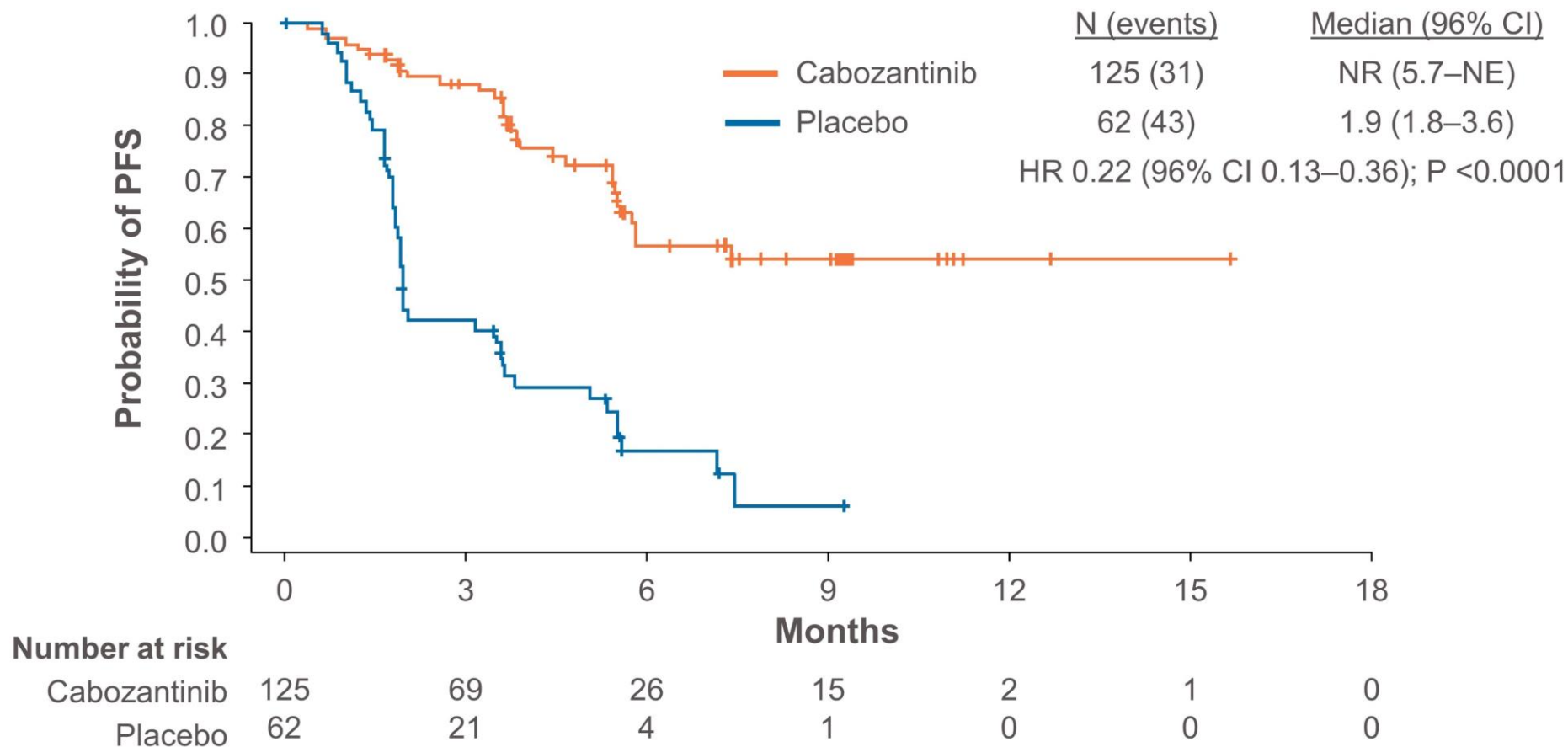
ⁱ See Principles of TSH Suppression (THYR-A).^m See Principles of Radiation and RAI Therapy (THYR-C).^{dd} Ethanol ablation, cryoablation, RFA, etc.^{ee} In a subset of patients (>65 years of age), lenvatinib showed an overall survival benefit compared to placebo. Brose MS, et al. J Clin Oncol 2017;35:2692-2699.^{ff} The decision of whether to use lenvatinib (preferred) or sorafenib should be individualized for each patient based on likelihood of response and comorbidities.⁹⁹ Kinase inhibitor therapy may not be appropriate for patients with stable or slowly progressive indolent disease. See Principles of Kinase Inhibitor Therapy (THYR-B).^{hh} Commercially available small-molecule kinase inhibitors (such as axitinib, everolimus, pazopanib, sunitinib, vandetanib, vemurafenib [*BRAF* positive], dabrafenib [*BRAF* positive], or cabozantinib [all are category 2A]) can be considered if clinical trials are not available or appropriate.ⁱⁱ Cytotoxic chemotherapy has been shown to have minimal efficacy, although most studies were small and underpowered.

COSMIC-311 Study Design



BIRC, blinded independent radiology committee; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; QD, once daily; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor; TSH, thyroid-stimulating hormone

Progression-Free Survival by BIRC (ITT Population)



Primary endpoint of PFS was met at planned interim analysis (critical p-value of 0.00036)

Median follow-up 6.2 months; HR, hazard ratio; NE, not estimable; NR, not reached; PFS per RECIST v1.1

Cosmic Conclusions



- Cabozantinib significantly improved PFS compared to placebo in previously-treated RAI refractory DTC
- ORR favored cabozantinib (15% vs 0)
- AE's c/w known safety profile cabozantinib

HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use CABOMETYX safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for CABOMETYX.

CABOMETYX® (cabozantinib) tablets, for oral use
Initial U.S. Approval: 2012

RECENT MAJOR CHANGES

Indications and Usage, Renal Cell Carcinoma (1.1)	01/2021
Indications and Usage, Differentiated Thyroid Cancer (1.3)	09/2021
Dosage and Administration (2.2, 2.5)	01/2021
Dosage and Administration (2.4, 2.5)	09/2021
Warnings and Precautions, Hepatotoxicity (5.7)	01/2021
Warnings and Precautions, Adrenal Insufficiency (5.8)	01/2021
Warnings and Precautions, Thyroid Dysfunction (5.13)	09/2021
Warnings and Precautions, Hypocalcemia (5.14)	09/2021

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

CABOMETYX is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of

- patients with advanced renal cell carcinoma (RCC) (1.1)
- patients with advanced renal cell carcinoma, as a first-line treatment in combination with nivolumab (1.1)
- patients with hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) who have been previously treated with sorafenib (1.2)
- adult and pediatric patients 12 years of age and older with locally advanced or metastatic differentiated thyroid cancer (DTC) that has progressed following prior VEGFR-targeted therapy and who are radioactive iodine-refractory or ineligible (1.3)

Clinical Trials – Phase III, RAI-resistant TCA w/o molecular Targets



- Donafenib (RAF inhibitor, Multi-TKI)
- Vandetinib (VEGF inhibitor Multi-TKI)

THANK YOU



QUESTIONS?