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Key Updates in Kidney Cancer

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Renal Cell Carcinoma is a Common Malignancy

Estimated New Cases

			Males	Female	es		
Prostate	288,300	29%			Breast	297,790	31%
Lung & bronchus	117,550	12%			Lung & bronchus	120,790	13%
Colon & rectum	81,860	8%			Colon & rectum	71,160	8%
Urinary bladder	62,420	6%			Uterine corpus	66,200	7%
Melanoma of the skin	58,120	6%			Melanoma of the skin	39,490	4%
Kidney & renal pelvis	52,360	5%			Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	35,670	4%
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	44,880	4%			Thyroid	31,180	3%
Oral cavity & pharynx	39,290	4%			Pancreas	30,920	3%
Leukemia	35,670	4%			Kidney & renal pelvis	29,440	3%
Pancreas	33,130	3%			Leukemia	23,940	3%
All Sites	1,010,310	100%			All Sites	948,000	100%

Global incidence increased over the past two decades by 2% per year

Renal Cell Carcinoma Histologies



Expanding List of Renal Cell Tumors

2022 World Health Organization Classification of Renal Cell Tumors

Table 1 – ICD-O coding of tumours of the kidney

ICD-0-3.2	ICD-O label (subtypes are indicated in grey text, with the label indented)	
Renal cell tumours		
Clear cell renal tumours		
8310/3	Clear cell renal cell carcinoma	
8316/1	Multilocular cystic renal neoplasm of low malignant potential	
Papillary renal tumours		
8260/0	Papillary adenoma	
8260/3	Papillary renal cell carcinoma ^a	F Removal of Papillary Type 1 and 2
Oncocytic and chromophobe renal tumours		
8290/0	Oncocytoma	
8317/3	Chromophobe cell renal carcinoma	
	Other oncocytic tumours of the kidney	
Collecting duct tumours		
8319/3	Collecting duct carcinoma	
Other renal tumours		
8323/1	Clear cell papillary renal cell tumour ³	
8480/3	Mucinous tubular and spindle cell carcinoma	
8316/3	Tubulocystic renal cell carcinoma	X Newly Defined Entities
8316/3	Acquired cystic disease-associated renal cell carcinoma	
8311/3	Eosinophilic solid and cystic renal cell carcinoma	
8312/3	Renal cell carcinoma, NOS	
Molecularly defined renal carcinomas		1
8311/3	TFE3-rearranged renal cell carcinomas	
8311/3	TFEB-altered renal cell carcinomas	
8311/3	ELOC (formerly TCEB1)-mutated renal cell carcinoma	
8311/3	Fumarate hydratase-deficient renal cell carcinoma	
8311/3	Hereditary leiomyomatosis and renal cell carcinoma	
	syndrome-associated renal cell carcinoma	L Molecularly Defined Entities
8311/3	Succinate dehydrogenase-deficient renal cell carcinoma	F Molecularly Defined Littles
8311/3	ALK-rearranged renal cell carcinomas	
8510/3	Medullary carcinoma, NOS	1 1
8510/3	SMARCB1-deficient medullary-like renal cell carcinoma	
8510/3	SMARCB1-deficient undifferentiated renal cell carcinoma, NOS	
8510/3	SMARCB1-deficient dedifferentiated renal cell carcinomas	
	of other specific subtypes	

Sarcomatoid Dedifferentiation

Sarcomatoid Dedifferentiation in ccRCC



- Can occur in any RCC histology, 20% stage IV
- Occurs as a result of EMT
- Enrichment BAP1 alterations, NF2 alteration, EZH2 amplifications, CDKN2A/B deletions, and MYC transcriptional programs
- Immune-inflamed phenotype activation of immune pathways, increased expression of antigen presentation machinery genes, increased cytotoxic immune infiltration, and high PDL1 protein expression on tumor cells

Molecularly and Immunologically Distinct



0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 SEA Normalized Enrichment Score of SIR vs. non-SIR

Renaissance of Treatment Options for Renal Cell Carcinoma



Phase 3 Trials of VEGF Targeted Therapies in RCC

	Treatment	Control	Line	Ν	ORR	PFS (mos)	OS (mos)
Avoren	Bevacizumab + IFNα	IFNα	1	649	31% vs. 13%	10.2 vs. 5.4	NR vs. 19.8
NCT00083889	Sunitinib	IFNα	1	750	31% vs. 6%	11.0 vs. 5.0	NR vs. NR
NCT00334282	Pazopanib	Placebo	1, 2	435	30% vs. 3%	9.2 vs. 4.2	22.9 vs. 20.5
COMPARZ	Pazopanib	Sunitinib	1	1110	31% vs. 24%	8.4 vs. 9.5	28.4 vs. 29.3
Tivo-1	Tivozanib	Sorafenib	1	517	33% vs. 23%	11.9 vs. 9.1	29.8 vs. 29.3
TARGET	Sorafenib	Placebo	≥2	903	10% vs. 2%	5.5 vs. 2.8	NR vs. 14.7
AXIS	Axitinib	Sorafenib	≥2	723	19% vs. 9%	6.7 vs. 4.7	20.1 vs. 19.2
METEOR	Cabozantinib	Everolimus	≥2	658	21% vs. 5%	7.4 vs. 3.8	21.4 vs. 16.5
Tivo-3	Tivozanib	Sorafenib	3-4	350	15% vs. 8%	11.1 vs. 6.0	16.4 vs. 19.7

ORR=Objective response rate; PFS=Progression-free survival; OS=Overall survival; mos=Months; NR=Not reached.

Development of IMDC Prognostic Model in the TKI Era





- KPS <80
- Time from original diagnosis to initiation of targeted therapy <1 year
- Hemoglobin less than the lower limit of normal
- Serum calcium, neutrophil count, or platelet count greater than the upper limit of normal

	Median Survival (months)	2-Year Overall Survival
Favorable (0)	NR	75%
Intermediate (1-2)	27	53%
Poor (3-6)	8.8	7%

Initial model developed in treatment naïve patients initiating targeted therapy

Landmark Combination Frontline Studies in RCC



Frontline Immunotherapy Combination Studies

Baseline Characteristics

Variable		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab CheckMate-214 n=1096	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib Keynote 426 n=861	Nivolumab + Cabozantinib CheckMate-9ER n=651	Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib Clear n=1096
IMDC Risk Group	Favorable, %	23%	33%	23%	32%
	Intermediate, %	61%	56%	58%	54%
	Poor, %	17%	13%	19%	10%
Previous Nephre	ectomy, %	81%	83%	69%	73%
Sarcomatoid Fe	atures, %	14%	18%	11%	8%
Bone Metastase	es, %	20%	24%	24%	24%
Liver Metastase	s, %	18%	15%	23%	17%
PD-L1 Expressi	on ≥1%, %	24% (Dako PD-L1 28-8; Tumor)	60% (Agilent Tech PD-L1 22C3; CPS)	25% (Dako PD-L1 28-8; Tumor)	31% (Agilent Tech PD-L1 22C3; CPS)

IMDC=International Metastatic RCC Database Consortium; PD-L1=Programmed Death Ligand 1; CPS=Combined positive score (TC+IC positive/TC all); ORR=Objective response rate; PFS=Progression-free survival; OS=Overall survival.

Motzer et al, NEJM, 2018; Rini et al, NEJM, 2019; Choueiri et al, NEJM, 2021; Motzer et al, NEJM, 2021

Outcomes of Immune Combinations – ITT

	Nivolumab + Ipilimumab CheckMate-214 n=1096	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib Keynote 426 n=861	Nivolumab + Cabozantinib CheckMate-9ER n=651	Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib Clear n=1096
Follow-up, mo	99.1 (median)	67.2 (median)	55.6 (median)	49.8 (median)
Median PFS, mo	12.4	15.7	16.4	23.9
PFS HR	0.88	0.69	0.58	0.47
Landmark PFS	90-month 21%	60-month 18%	48-month 17%	36-month 37%
Median OS, mo	52.7	47.2	46.5	53.7
Landmark OS	90-month 35%	60-month 42%	48-month 49%	36-month 66%
OS HR	0.72	0.84	0.77	0.79
ORR, %	39	61	57	71
CR, %	12	12	14	18
PD, %	(18)	12	7	5
Quality of Life	Improved	Similar	Improved	Similar-Improved

Nivolumab + Ipilimumab Associated with Durable Survival



ITT





Median 8 year follow up ITT Population

Tannir et al, GU ASCO, 2024

Durable Benefit with IO + VEGF in RCC



Minimum 42 month follow up ITT Population

Defining New Endpoints – Treatment Free Survival



Defining New Endpoints – Treatment Free Survival



Minimum 42 month follow up Intermediate and Poor Risk Population

IO Combinations – Intermediate/Poor Risk Disease

	Nivolumab + Ipilimumab n=1096	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib n=861	Nivolumab + Cabozantinib n=651	Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib n=1096
Int/Poor, %	78	68	77	58/9
Median f/u, mo	99.1	67.2	55.6	49.8
OS HR (CI)	46.7 vs 26.0 0.69 (0.59-0.81)	42.2 vs 29.3 0.76 (0.62-0.93)	43.9 vs 29.3 0.73 (0.58-0.91)	47.9 vs. 34.3 0.74 (0.57-0.96)
PFS HR (CI)	12.4 vs 8.5 0.73 (0.61-0.87)	13.8 vs 8.3 0.68 (0.56-0.82)	15.4 vs 7.1 0.56 (0.45-0.68)	22.1 vs 5.9 0.43 (0.34-0.55)
ORR, %	42 v 27	57 vs 35	53 vs 23	72 vs 30*
CR, %	12 vs 3	11 vs 3	13 vs 4	14 vs 4*

Benefit across all regimens in patients with intermediate and poor risk disease

Int=Intermediate; f/u=Follow-up; mo=months; OS=Overall survival; HR=Hazard ratio; CI=Confidence interval; PFS=Progression-free survival; ORR=Objective response rate; CR=Complete response; NR=Not reached. *At 33.7 month follow up.

IO Combinations – Favorable Risk Disease

	Nivolumab + Ipilimumab n=1096	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib n=861	Nivolumab + Cabozantinib n=651	Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib n=1096
Favorable, %	23	32	23	31
Median f/u, mo	99.1	67.2	55.6	49.8
OS HR (CI)	77.9 vs 66.7 0.82 (0.60-1.13)	NR vs NR 1.10 (0.79-1.54)	52.9 vs 58.9 1.10 (0.69-1.75)	NR vs NR 0.94 (0.58-1.52)
PFS HR (CI)	12.4 vs 28.9 1.76 (1.25-2.48)	20.7 vs 17.9 0.76 (0.57-1.02)	21.4 vs 12.8 0.69 (0.48-1.00)	28.6 vs 12.9 0.50 (0.35-0.71)
ORR, %	30 vs 52	69 vs 50	66 vs 44	68 vs 51*
CR, %	13 vs 6	13 vs 6	16 vs 8	21 vs 5*

Many options for favorable risk patients

Many patients received post front line treatment

Fav=Favorable; f/u=Follow-up; mo=months; OS=Overall survival; HR=Hazard ratio; CI=Confidence interval; PFS=Progression-free survival; ORR=Objective response rate; CR=Complete response; NR=Not reached. *At the 33.7 month follow-up.

IO Combinations – Favorable Risk Disease

Nivolumab + Ipilimumab





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Pembrolizumab + Axitinib

OS

Transcriptomic Signatures Elucidate Heterogeneous Outcomes

IMMotion150



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T-effector^{High} Myeloid Inflammation^{Low}



T-effector^{High} Myeloid Inflammation^{High}







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McDermott et al, Nature Medicine, 2018 Motzer et al, Cancer Cell, 2020

Nivolumab and Ipilimumab for Sarcomatoid RCC



Outcome	N (n=74 Nivo + Ipi)
ORR	61%
CR	19%
PR	42%
SD	11%
PD	20%
NE	8%

Identified as having a sarcomatoid-positive RCC by local pathology reports and/or independent central review (n=85/145)

Nivolumab and Ipilimumab for Sarcomatoid RCC



Minimum 42 month follow up Intermediate and Poor Risk Population

IO-VEGF Combinations for Sarcomatoid RCC

Trial	Phase	Histology	Sarcomatoid	ORR	PFS	OS
IMmotion-151 – Atezo + Bevacizumab	III	CC	142/915 (15.5%)	49%	8.3 months	21.7 months
Javelin 101 – Avelumab + Axitinib	III	CC	108/886 (12.2%)	46.8%	7.0 months	NR
Keynote-426 – Pembro + Axitinib	III	CC	105/861 (12.2%)	58.8%	Not reached	Not reached
Checkmate-9ER – Nivo + Cabozantinib	III	CC	75/651 (11.5%)	55.9%	10.9 months	Not reached
Clear – Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib	Ш	CC	49/712 (6.8%)	60.7%	11 months	Not reached
Atezo + Bevacizumab	П	cc + ncc	26/60 (43%)	cc 50%/ncc 38%	NR	NR

Ncc=Non-clear cell; cc=Clear cell; ORR=Objective response rate; PFS=Progression free survival; OS=Overall survival; NR=Not recorded.

Moving into Triple Therapy: Cosmic 313



*One prior systemic adjuvant therapy allowed for completely resected RCC and if recurrence occurred ≥6 months after the last dose of adjuvant therapy; adjuvant PD-1 or PD-L1 inhibitor in combination with a CTLA-4 inhibitor not permitted. [†]Nivolumab given for a maximum of 2 years. [‡]Tumor assessment (RECIST v1.1) at week 10, then every 8 weeks through week 50, then every 12 weeks thereafter. [§]Discontinuation of one agent did not mandate discontinuation of all agents.

Understanding the COSMIC 313 Patient Population

Variable		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab n=1096	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib n=861	Nivolumab + Cabozantinib n=651	Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib n=1096	Nivolumab + Ipilimumab + Cabozantinib N=855
	Favorable, %	23%	33%	23%	32%	0%
IMDC Risk Group	Intermediate, %	61%	56%	58%	54%	75%
·	Poor, %	17%	13%	19%	10%	25%
Previous Nephr	rectomy, %	81%	83%	69%	73%	65%
Sarcomatoid Fe	eatures, %	14%	18%	11%	8%	6.4%*
Bone Metastas	es, %	20%	24%	24%	24%	19%
Liver Metastase	es, %	18%	15%	23%	17%	20%
PD-L1 Express	ion ≥1%, %	24% (Dako PD-L1 28-8; Tumor)	60% (Agilent Tech PD-L1 22C3; CPS)	25% (Dako PD-L1 28-8; Tumor)	31% (Agilent Tech PD-L1 22C3; CPS)	21% (Dako PD-L1 28-8; Tumor)

*35/550 in the PITT population.

COSMIC 313 Outcomes

Progression-Free Survival: Final Analysis (PITT Population)



	Cabo+Nivo+Ipi (N=276)	Pbo+Nivo+Ipi (N=274)
Objective response rate (95% CI), %	43 (37.2–49.2)	36 (30.1-41.8)
Best overall response, n (%)		
Complete response	7 (3)	9 (3)
Partial response	112 (41)	89 (32)
Stable disease	119 (43)	100 (36)
Progressive disease	23 (8)	55 (20)
Not evaluable	15 (5)	21 (8)
Disease control rate, %	86	72
Median time to objective response (range), mo	2.4 (1.5–17.1)	2.3 (1.9–16.8)
Median duration of response (95% CI), mo	NR (20.2-NE)	NR (NE-NE)

	Cabo+Nivo+Ipi (N=426)	Pbo+Nivo+lpi (N=424)
Median duration of exposure of study treatment (range), mo	10.9 (0.2–28.5)	10.3 (0.1–28.1)
Median average daily dose (range) of Cabo or Pbo, mg	23.2 (3.6–40.0)	36.1 (0.8–40.0)
Median Nivo infusions (range) received, no	10 (1–27)	9 (1–27)
Doses of Ipi received, %		
4	58	73
3	13	14
2	22	7
1	7	6
Any dose hold due to an AE, %	90	70
Any dose reduction of Cabo or Pbo due to an AE, %	54	20
Treatment-related AE leading to discontinuation, %		
Any study treatment	45	24
Cabo or Pbo	28	14
Nivo	26	18
Ipi	30	12
All treatment components (due to the same AE)	12	5

	Cabo+ (N	-Nivo+lpi =426)	Pbo+Nivo+Ipi (N=424)		
	Any Grade	Grade 3–4	Any Grade	Grade 3–4	
Treatment-related adverse events					
Any event,* %	99	73	91	41	
Alanine aminotransferase increased	46	26	17	6	
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	44	20	16	5	
Diarrhea	41	4	18	3	
Palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia	28	3	4	0	
Hypothyroidism	24	<1	15	0	
Hypertension	23	8	5	2	
Fatigue	22	2	21	1	
Lipase increased	22	9	13	6	
Amylase increased	20	5	12	2	
Rash	20	2	20	1	
Pruritus	20	0	26	<1	

On the Horizon: Additional Triple Therapy Combinations

MK6482-012



On the Horizon: Maintenance IO-VEGF

PDIGREE (Alliance A031704)

Nivolumab + Ipilimumab Followed by Nivolumab or Nivolumab + Cabozantinib



Endpoints

· Primary: OS

Key secondary: PFS, 1-y CR rate, ORR by RECIST, toxicity, and correlatives

Evolving Role of Cytoreductive Nephrectomy

Cytokine Era





Targeted Therapy Era

CARMENA



SURTIME **B** Overall survival Treatment Deferred 100 Immediate HR (95% CI), 80 0.57 (0.34-0.95), P=.03 Overall Survival, % 60 40 20 0 12 18 54 60 0 6 24 30 36 42 48 Time, mo

IO Combination Era



Flanigan et al, NEJM, 2001; Mickisch et al, Lancet, 2001; Mejean et al, NEJM, 2018; Bex et al, JAMA Oncology, 2018

Treatment Options for Non-Clear Cell RCC

Study	Phase	Agent N Histology		ORR (%)	PFS (months)	
VEGF Monotherapy						
PapMet	2	Cabozantinib vs Sunitinib	147	Papillary	23% vs 4%	9.0 vs 5.6
Savior	3	Savolitinib vs Sunitinib	60	Met-driven RCC	27% vs 7%	7.0 vs 5.6
Immunotherapy						
Keynote-427	2	Pembrolizumab	165	Papillary, chromophobe, unclassified	26.7%	4.2
HCRN GU16-260	2	Nivolumab	35	Papillary, chromophobe, unclassified	14.3%	4.0
Checkmate-920	2	Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	52	Non-clear cell RCC	19.6%	3.7
Immunotherapy + VEG	F					
Cosmic-021	1b	Cabozantinib + Atezolizumab	32	Non-clear cell RCC	31%	9.5
Lee, JCO, 2022	2	Nivolumab + Cabozantinib	47	Cohort 1) Papillary, unclassified, or translocation; 2) Chromophobe	1) 47.5%; 2) 0%	1) 12.5
Keynote-B61	2	Pembrolizumab + Lenvatinib	82	Non-clear cell RCC	47.6%	72.3%*
McGregor, JCO, 2020	2	Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab	60	Non-clear cell RCC; >20% Sarcomatoid	33%	8.3

*6-month progression-free survival. ORR=Objective response rate; PFS=Progression free survival.

Balancing Goals for Selection of Therapy

Improved OS Improved PFS Improved response rate Limited PD rate **Durability of** response Depth of response Complete response **Treatment-free** survival Improved QOL



Immune-mediated AE Chronic TKI toxicity Limited durability of response Primary PD rate No benefit in QOL

OS=Overall survival; PFS=Progression-free survival; PD=Progressive disease; QOL=Quality of life; AE=Adverse event; TKI=Tyrosine kinase inhibitor.

Practical Approach for Treatment – 2/2024



Systemic Treatments in the Refractory Setting



VEGF Therapy in the Refractory Setting

	Axitinib (AXIS)	Cabozantinib (METEOR)	Lenvatinib + Everolimus	Tivozanib (Tivo-3)	Cabozantinib + Telaglenastat (CANTATA)
Phase, N	3, 723	3, 658	2, 153	3, 350	2, 444
Treatment line	2	≥2	2	3-4	≥2
Comparator(s)	Sorafenib	Everolimus	Lenvatinib vs everolimus	Sorafenib	Cabozantinib
Prior CPI	0%	5%	0%	26%	62%
ORR	19% vs 9%	17% vs 3%	43% vs 27% vs 6%	18% vs 8%	31% vs 28%
PFS, months HR (95% CI)	6.7 vs 4.7 0.67 (0.54-0.81)	7.4 vs 3.9 0.52 (0.42-0.62)	14.6 vs 7.4 vs 5.5 0.40 (0.24-0.68) 0.66 (0.39-1.10)	5.6 vs 3.9 0.73 (0.56-0.94)	9.2 vs 9.3 0.94 (0.74-1.21)
OS, months HR (95% CI)	20.1 vs 19.2 0.97 (0.80-1.17)	21.4 vs 16.5 0.66 (0.53-0.83)	25.5 vs 19.1 vs 15.4 0.51 (0.30-0.88) 0.75 (0.43-1.30)	16.4 vs 19.1 0.89 (0.70-1.14)	22.2 vs 24.8
Approval date	2012	2016	2016	2021	Not Approved

Belzutifan in Refractory Clear Cell RCC – LITESPARK-005

FDA Approved 12/2023





Key Secondary Endpoint: ORR by BICR per RECIST 1.1

	Belzutifan (N = 374)	Everolimus (N = 372)	
	IA1		
ORR, % (95% CI)	21.9% (17.8-26.5)	3.5% (1.9-5.9)	
Estimated difference in % (95% Cl)	18.4 (14.0–23.2	!); P <.00001*	
CR	2.7%	0	
PR	19.3%	3.5%	
SD	39.3%	65.9%	
PD	33.7%	21.5%	
Non-evaluable ^a	1.3%	2.2%	
No assessment ^b	3.7%	7.0%	
	IA2		
ORR, % (95% CI)	22.7% (18.6-27.3)	3.5% (1.9-5.9)	
Estimated difference in % (95% Cl)	19.2 (14.8–24.0)		

Risk of Recurrence Increases with Stage





Kidney Cancer Incidence



Risk Stratification Tools in Localized RCC

Model	Parameters	Outcome	Туре
UISS	TNM, grade, ECOG PS	OS	KM Analysis
SSIGN	TNM, pN+, pM+, tumor size, grade, tumor necrosis	CSS	Algorithm
Leibovich	TNM, pN+, tumor size, grade, tumor necrosis	MFS	Algorithm
MSKCC	TNM, tumor size, grade, tumor necrosis, symptoms	RFS	Nomogram
Kattan	TNM, tumor size, histology, symptoms	RFS	Nomogram
Yaycioglu	Tumor size, symptoms	RFS	Formula
Karakiewic	TNM, age, sex, + margin, tumor size, symptoms	CSS	Nomogram
Cindolo	Tumor size, symptoms	RFS	Formula

UISS=University of California at Los Angeles Integrated Staging System; SSIGN=Stage, Size, Grade, and Necrosis Score; MSKCC=Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center; ECOG PS=Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; OS=Overall survival; CSS=Cancer-specific survival; MFS=Metastasis-free survival; RFS=Recurrence-free survival; KM=Kaplan-Meier. UCLA Integrated Staging System

pTNM Stage, Grade, Performance status



Zisman et al, J Clin Oncol, 2002; Frank et al, J Urol, 2002; Leibovich et al, Cancer, 2003; Sorbellini et al, J Urol, 2005; Kattan et al, J Urol, 2001; Yaycioglu et al, Urology, 2001; Karakiewicz et al, JCO, 2007; Cindolo et al, BJU Int, 2003

Adjuvant Cytokine Therapy Did NOT Improve Survival

Trial	Population	Arms	Ν	Primary	Outcome
Porzsolt et al (1992)	pT3-4N0 or pTxN1-3	IFN-α vs. Observation	270	TTF/Surviva I	No Difference
Trump et al (1996)	pT3-4aN0 or pTxN1-3	L-IFN vs. Observation	294	Recurrence	No Difference
Pizzocaro et al (2001)	pT3-4aN0 or pTxN1-3	IFN-α vs. Observation	247	5-year DFS	No Difference
Messing et al (2003)	pT3-4aN0 or pTxN1-3	IFN-α vs. Observation	283	5-year OS	No Difference
Clark et al (2003)	pT3b-4Nx or pTxN1-3	IL-2 vs. Observation	138	2-year DFS	No Difference
Atzpodien et al (2005)	pT3b-4Nx or pTxN1-3	IL-2/IFN-α/5-FU vs. Observation	203	2-year DFS	No Difference
Aitchison et al (2014)	pT3b-4Nx or pTxNa-2 or +margin/vascular invasion	IL-2/IFN-α/5-FU vs. Observation	309	3-year DFS	No Difference

IFN-α=Interferon alpha; L-IFN=Lymphoblastoid interferon; IL-2=Interleukin 2; 5-FU=5-Fluorouracil; TTF= Time to treatment failure; DFS=Disease-free survival; OS=Overall survival.

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Adjuvant Targeted Therapy with Mixed Results

Trial	Arms	Years	N	Primary Endpoint	CC Only	Eligibility	Hazard Ratio Confidence Interval
ASSURE (Haas, Lancet, 2016)	Sunitinib vs. Sorafenib vs. Placebo*	1	1943	DFS	No	pT1bG3-4N0, pT2-4GxN0, TxGxN+	Sunitinib – 1.02 (97.5% CI 0.85-1.23) Sorafenib – 0.97 (97.5% CI 0.80- 1.17)
STRAC (Ravaud, NEJM, 2016)	Sunitinib vs. Placebo	1	615	DFS	Yes	pT3-4GxN0- x, TxGxN1-2	0.76 (95% CI 0.59-0.98)
PROTECT (Motzer, JCO, 2017)	Pazopanib vs. Placebo*	1	1538	DFS	Yes	pT2G3-4N0, pT3-4N0, pTxN1	0.86 (95% CI 0.70-1.06)
ATLAS (Gross-Goupil, Ann Oncol, 2018)	Axitinib vs. Placebo	1-3	724	DFS	Yes	pT2-4GxN0, pTxN1	0.870 (95% CI 0.66-1.147)
SORCE (Eisen, JCO, 2020)	Sorafenib vs. Placebo)*	1-3	1711	DFS	No	Leibovich score 3-11	1.01 (95% CI 0.83-1.23)
EVEREST (Ryan, Lancet, 2023)	Everolimus vs. Placebo	1	1545	RFS	No	pT1bG3-4N0, pT2-4N1	0.85 (95% CI 0.72-1.00)

*Starting dose change during study; DFS=Disease-free survival; CC=Clear cell; RFS=Recurrence-free survival; CI=Confidence Interval.

Keynote-564 Outcomes



Decision for Adjuvant Therapy



- Disease-free survival
- Overall survival
- Risk of over treatment
- Side effects of therapy
- Quality of life
- Financial cost

Decades of Progress



Conclusions

- Significant advances in our understanding of cancer and RCC tumor biology has resulted in improved therapeutic options for patients in the clinical
- Survival has dramatically improved for patients with RCC over the past decade and approaches 5 years in the modern era
- Additional studies designed to test novel treatments, radiation therapy, surgery and biomarker based strategies are underway and will certainly impact the future landscape of RCC