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Workshop B2

Use of CPI in patients with specific medical conditions and challenges raised by therapies

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Agenda

- **CPIs and flu vaccine**
- **HIV/hepatitis B/C positive patients**
- **Patients with brain metastases**
- **Elderly pts with solid tumours**
- **Hyperprogression / pseudoprogression**
- **Patients with organ transplants**

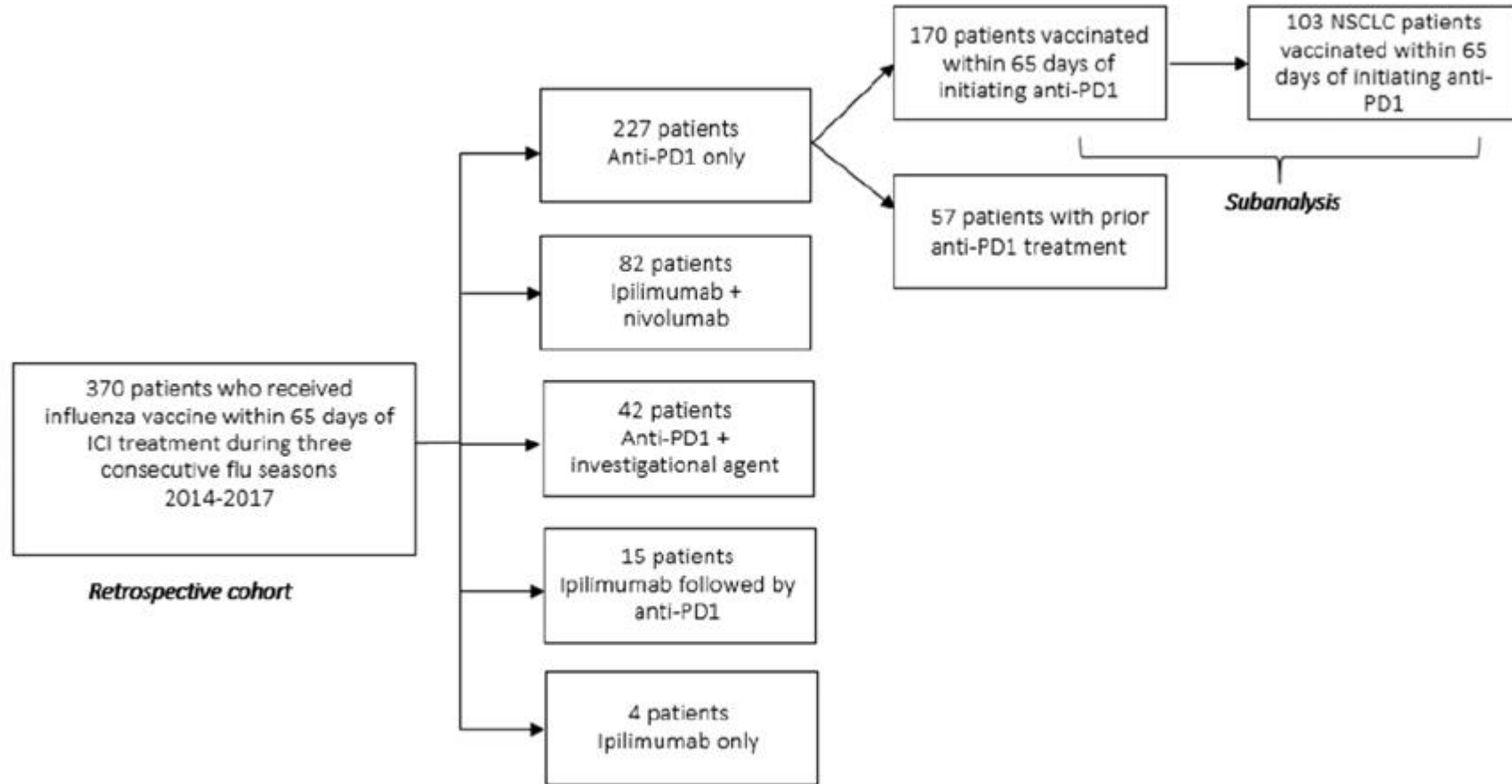


Safety of Inactivated Influenza Vaccine in Cancer Patients Receiving Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors

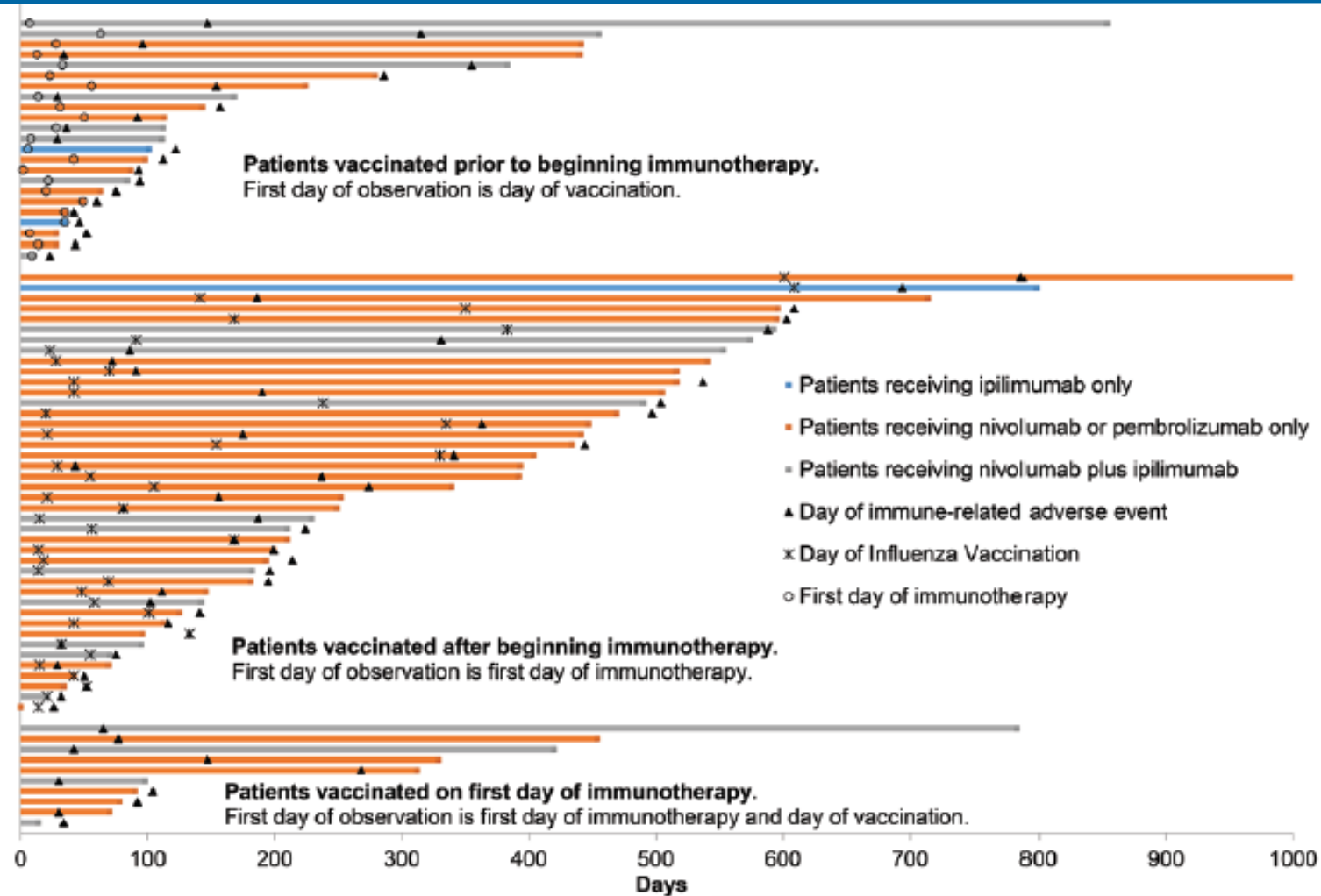
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Flow diagram shows type of ICI for entire study cohort and population included in subset analysis (vaccinated patients who were newly treated with anti-PD-1 agents)



Time (days) from receipt of vaccine and immune checkpoint inhibitor (ICI; immunotherapy) to immune-related adverse event for the 75 patients who experienced these events



Safety of inactivated Influenza Vaccine in cancer patients receiving Immune Checkpoints inhibitors: Results (N = 370 pts) (1)

- 20% experienced a new onset IRAE (any grade) / Gr 3/4: 8%
- IRAEs: G1 (7%); G2 (53%); G3 (36%); G4 (4%); G5 (0%)
- Types of IRAEs: Endocrine (28%); pneumonitis (25%); colitis (13%), transaminitis (12%)

- IRAEs:

	Ipi + Nivo	Anti PD1
Any grade	30%	17%
Gr 3/4	13%	6.6%



Differences Between Patients Who Developed an Immune-related Adverse Event and Those Who Did Not Among All Patients Who Received Checkpoint Inhibitors and Influenza Vaccine

Variable	IRAE (n = 75)	No IRAE (n = 295)	PValue
Age at vaccination, y	65.9 (11.9)	62.2 (14.1)	.04
Sex			.52
Male (N = 200)	43 (21%)	157 (79%)	...
Female (N = 179)	32 (19%)	138 (81%)	...
Tumor type			.86
Lung (N = 165)	32 (19%)	133 (81%)	...
Melanoma (N = 71)	16 (23%)	55 (77%)	...
Other (N = 134)	27 (20%)	107 (80%)	...
Therapy type			.13
Ipilimumab only (N = 4)	1 (25%)	3 (75%)	...
Ipilimumab followed by anti-PD-1 (N = 15)	3 (20%)	12 (80%)	...
Ipilimumab and anti-PD-1 concurrently (N = 82)	25 (30%)	57 (70%)	...
Anti-PD-1 only (N = 227)	38 (17%)	189 (83%)	...
Other ^a (N = 42)	8 (19%)	34 (81%)	...
Season			.76
2014–2015 (N = 36)	9 (25%)	27 (75%)	...
2015–2016 (N = 137)	27 (20%)	110 (80%)	...
2016–2017 (N = 197)	39 (20%)	158 (80%)	...
Vaccine dose			.10
High (N = 171)	41 (24%)	130 (76%)	...
Standard (N = 199)	34 (17%)	165 (83%)	...
Vaccine coverage			.03
Quadrivalent (N = 163)	25 (15%)	138 (85%)	...
Trivalent (N = 207)	50 (24%)	157 (76%)	...
Order of administration			.20
Immunotherapy first (N = 232)	43 (19%)	189 (81%)	...
Vaccine first (N = 107)	22 (21%)	85 (79%)	...
Same day (N = 31)	10 (32%)	21 (68%)	...



Safety of inactivated Influenza Vaccine in cancer patients receiving Immune Checkpoints inhibitors: Results (N = 370 pts) (2)

- **Anti PD-1 agents: IRAE rates did not vary with order of vaccine administration**
- **Conclusion: Routine seasonal flu vaccination seems to be safe in pts on ICIs**



Hepatitis B and ICI

Hepatitis B outcomes	
Demographics	Results
Sample size	12
Malignancy	8 melanoma 1 urothelial carcinoma 1 hepatocellular carcinoma 1 gastric cancer 1 glioblastoma
Immunotherapy	7 pembrolizumab 4 nivolumab 1 pembrolizumab + ipilimumab (sequential)
Virologic response	2 virologic response 1 virologic failure (patient not on antiviral therapy)
Response	1 CR 1 PR 8 SD 2 PD
Immune related adverse events	4 events grade 2 pneumonitis on nivolumab grade 2 rash on pembrolizumab grade 1 rash on pembrolizumab grade 1 vitiligo on nivolumab



Hepatitis C and ICI

Hepatitis C outcomes	
Demographics	Results
Sample size	14
Malignancy	9 melanoma 2 urothelial carcinoma 1 renal cell carcinoma 1 non-small cell lung cancer 1 mesothelioma
Immunotherapy	1 atezolizumab 4 pembrolizumab 5 nivolumab 4 PD-1 inhibitor + ipilimumab
Virologic response	0 virologic response 0 virologic failure
Response	2 CR 1 PR 8 SD 3 PD
Immune related adverse events	5 events grade 4 colitis/duodenitis on nivolumab + ipilimumab grade 3 autoimmune hepatitis on nivolumab + ipilimumab grade 3 adrenal insufficiency on pembrolizumab grade 1 rash on nivolumab grade 1 arthralgia on nivolumab



HIV and ICI : Case Series / Systematic Review

Safety and Efficacy of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapy in Patients With HIV Infection and Advanced-Stage Cancer A Systematic Review

Table 2. Select Studies of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapy in Patients With Advanced-Stage Cancer

Source	Sample Size	Study Type	Tumor Type (No.)	ICI Therapy (No.)	Adverse Events (No.)	HIV Load	CD4 Cell Count	Best Response
Ostios-Garcia et al, ²⁰ 2018	7	Retrospective case series	NSCLC (7)	Pembrolizumab (5), nivolumab (2)	Grade 1 arthralgia (1), grade 1 fatigue (1), grade 1 headache (1), grade 1 chest pain (1), grade 2 arthralgia (2)	Remained suppressed ^a	Stable ^b	Stable disease (2), PR (3), PD (2)
Samri et al ²⁸ 2017	12	Retrospective case series	NSCLC (12)	Nivolumab (12)	Grade 1 hepatitis (1), hypereosinophilia (1)	Remained suppressed ^c	Stable	Stable disease (4), PR (3), PD (5)
Heppt et al, ¹⁷ 2017	10	Retrospective case series	Melanoma (9), Merkel cell carcinoma (1)	Nivolumab (1), pembrolizumab (3), ipilimumab (3), ipilimumab plus nivolumab (3)	Grade 1 pneumonitis (1), grade 1 fatigue (1)	Remained suppressed	Stable ^d	PR (1), CR (2), PD (6), NR (1)
Park et al, ²⁷ 2018	8	Retrospective case series	HNSCC (3), melanoma (2), cutaneous SCC (2), SCC (1)	Anti-PD-1 (7), ipilimumab plus nivolumab (1)	Anti-PD-1, grade 1 fatigue (4), grade 1 rash (2); ipilimumab plus nivolumab, grade 3 hepatitis (1)	Remained suppressed	Upward trend ^e	PR (4), CR (1), PD (2), NR (1)
Galanina et al, ²⁶ 2018	8	Retrospective case series	Kaposi sarcoma (8)	Nivolumab (8)	No grade ≥2 toxic effects reported ^f	Pretreatment median (range): 20.5 /mL (0-116 706 mL); posttreatment median (range): 64 /mL (0-1 390 000 mL)	Upward trend (mean increase by 80.5 /μL)	PR (4), CR (1), stable disease (3)
Uldrick, ²⁹ 2017	21	Prospective clinical trial	Primary effusion lymphoma (2), Kaposi sarcoma (1), diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (1), anal cancer (5), head and neck (5), SCC (1), NSCLC (2), HCC (1), transitional cell carcinoma (1), pancreatic cancer (1), cholangiocarcinoma (1)	Pembrolizumab (21)	Most treatment-emergent AEs were grades 1-2 (93%), ^g immune-related AEs, grade 1 hypothyroidism (2), grade 1 ALT increase (1), grade 1 joint stiffness (1), grade 1 pneumonitis (1), grade 2 pneumonitis (2), grade 2 hypothyroidism (4), grade 3 ALT increase (1)	Remained suppressed	Upward trend	NR

HIV Load stable to upward trend
CD4 cell count stable
irAEs : 9%
No unexpected safety signal
Efficacy present



PD-1/PD-L1 immunotherapy in pts with hepatitis B/C

Hepatitis B: 12 pts

Hepatitis C: 14 pts

Conclusion: PD-1/PD-L1 immunotherapy did not appear to worsen viral control in hepatitis B or C patients and that these pts may benefit from this therapy

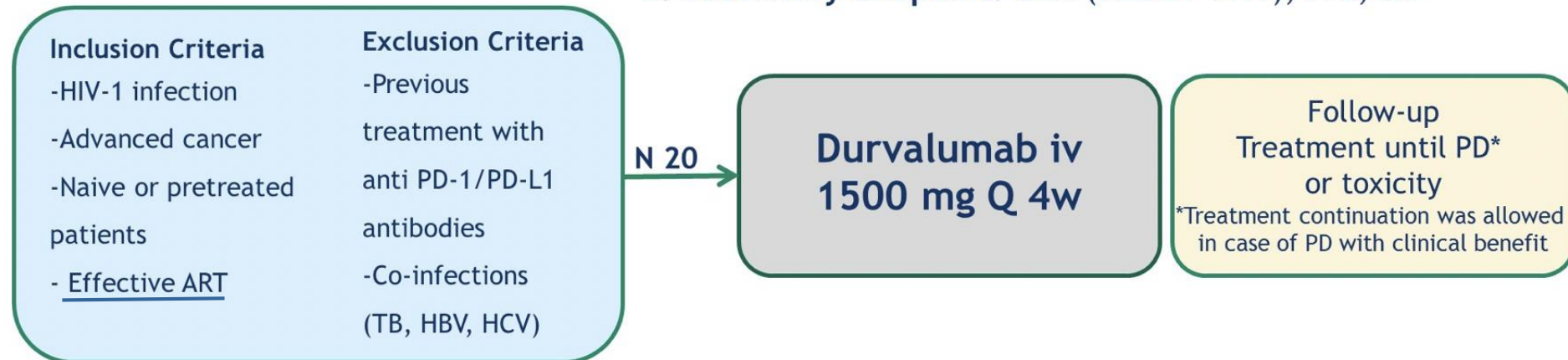


HIV and ICI: Clinical Trial

Study Objectives and Design: DURVAST (NCT 03094286)

1. Primary endpoint: Feasibility / Safety

2. Secondary endpoint: ORR (RECIST v1.1), PFS, OS



3. Exploratory endpoints:

3.1. HIV reservoir, virus replication, composition of circulating T cells

3.2. Molecular predictive factors of antitumoral activity/safety

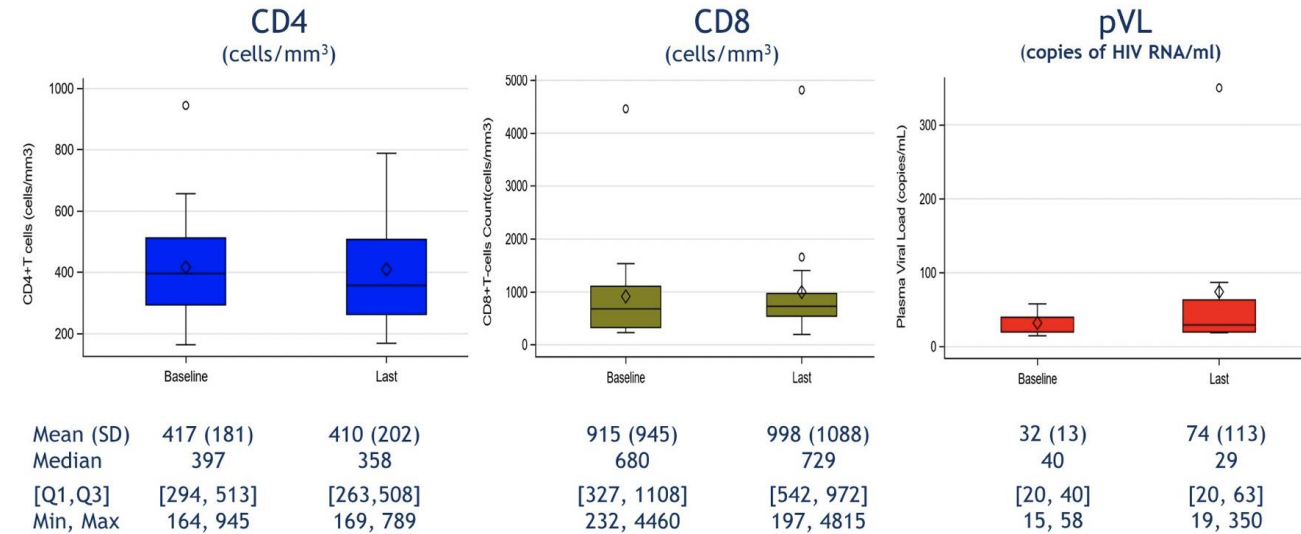


HIV and ICI: DURVAST trial

Adverse Events (AEs)

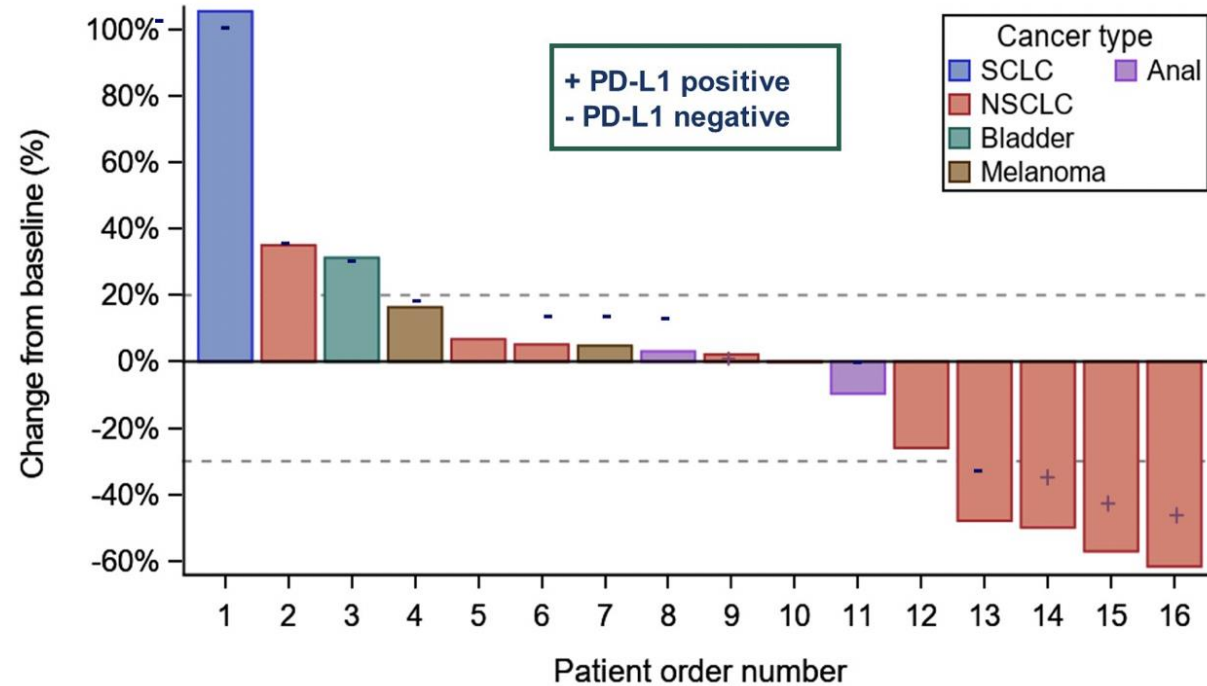
Non-Drug related AEs, n (%)	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Any	23 (75%)	10 (50%)	1 (5%)	1 (5%)	2 (10%)
Respiratory infection	1 (5%)	1 (5%)	1 (5%)	0	1 (5%)
Neurological	0	0	0	0	1 (5%)
Arterial ischemia	0	0	0	1 (5%)	0
Hypotension	0	3 (15%)	0	0	0
Fever	2 (10%)	2 (10%)	0	0	0
Arthromyalgia	11 (55%)	2 (10%)	0	0	0
Asthenia	9 (45%)	2 (10%)	0	0	0
Nausea-vomiting	5 (25%)	0	0	0	0
Constipation	2 (10%)	1 (5%)	0	0	0
Disphagia	2 (10%)	1 (5%)	0	0	0
Diarrhoea	2 (10%)	2 (10%)	0	0	0
Skin AEs	3 (15%)	0	0	0	0
Neutropenia	0	1 (5%)	0	0	0

T cell count and plasma viral load



HIV and ICI: DURVAST trial

Response	All (n=20)
PR, n (%)	4 (20%)
SD, n (%)	5 (25%)
DCR, n (%)	8 (40%)
PD, n (%)	11 (55%)
RECIST	7 (35%)
NE	4 (20%)
DOR, months median (range)	6.5 (3.5-17 +)



Brain M+ and ICI: Considerations

- **High frequency: M+ NSCLC up to 40 %, Melanoma, TNBC, HER2+ BC up to 50%**
- **Specific Tumour microenvironment**
- **Underrepresented in pivotal trials**
 - **Discrepancy between trials**
- **Brain metastasis categories**
 - **Treated**
 - **Untreated (Active)**
 - **Stable without corticosteroids**
 - **Stable with corticosteroids**
 - **Symptomatic**
- **Concurrent RT and ICI ? (seems feasible but still investigational)**



Brain M+ and ICI: Clinical Trials

Ref.	Phase	Histology	ICI / Brain M+ categories	N	Brain DCR % / Extracranial DCR %	Brain ORR % / Extracranial ORR %	AE grade ≥ 3 % / AE neuro * grade ≥ 3 %	OS
Margolin, Lancet oncol, 2012	II (subpop)	Melanoma	Nivo / Asympto Nivo /Sympto controlled CS	51 21	24 vs 28 10 vs 5	16 vs 14 5 vs 5	NR/ 4 NR/ 0	OS 12 m : 31% OS 12 m : 12%
Tawbi,NEJM, 2018	II	Melanoma	Nivo + Ipi untreat.	94	58 vs 56	50 vs 50	55 / 7	OS 12 m : 81%
Long, Lancet Oncol,2018	II r	Melanoma	Nivo+ Ipi asympto untreat.	36	57 vs 60	46 vs 57	63 / 6	OS 12 m: 60% OS 12m : 60% OS 12m: 30 %
			Nivo Asympto untreat.	27	21 vs 31	21 vs 29	16 / 0	
			Nivo sympto	16	19 vs 33	6 vs 25	13 / 19	
Golberg, Lancet Oncol, 2016 JCO , 2018 (OS)	II	Melanoma NSCLC	Pembro Asympto untreat	18	NR	22 vs 22	6 / 6	OS 2 Y : 31%
			Pembro Asympto untreat	18		33 vs 33	10 / 10	
Flippot, JCO, 2019 (subgroup)	II	RCC	Nivo untreated Nivo treated asympto	39 34	50 vs 51	12 (< 10mm) vs 21	10 / 12 15 / NR	OS 12m : 66.7% OS 12m: 58.8%

- **Observations from phase II**

* AE nervous system : headache , dizziness

- **Brain M+ versus extracranial M+ : same range of efficacy**
- **No specific / new safety signal**
- **Immuno combination better than Immuno monotherapy**
- **Lower control rate (IC and EC) and lower OS of symptomatic metastasis (CS?)**



Elderly and ICI: meta analysis

Table 1 Characteristics of included studies. Abbreviations: NSCLC (non-small lung cancer); S-NSCLC (squamous non-small lung cancer); NS-NSCLC (non-squamous non-small lung cancer); RCC (renal cell cancer); H&N (head & neck); NR (not reported); Q (every); W (weeks)

	Study Name	Drug	Phase	Malignancy	First line	Arm 1	Arm 2	Arm 3	Patient' number	Age median	Age range	Age mean	n (%) < 65 y	n (%) ≥ 65 y
Rittmeyer 2016 [33]	OAK	Atezolizumab	3	NSCLC	N	Atezolizumab 1200 mg Q 3 W	Docetaxel 75 mg/m ² Q 3 W		850	64	33–85	63	453 (53)	397 (47)
Fehrenbacher 2016 [26, 34]	POPLAR	Atezolizumab	2	NSCLC	N	Atezolizumab 1200 mg Q 3 W	Docetaxel 75 mg/m ² Q 3 W		287	62	36–84	61.5	174 (61)	113 (39)
Brahmer 2015 [5]	Checkmate-017	Nivolumab	3	S-NSCLC	N	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q 2 W	Docetaxel 75 mg/m ² Q 3 W		272	63	39–85	63	152 (56)	120 (44)
Borghaei 2015 [6]	Checkmate-057	Nivolumab	3	NS-NSCLC	N	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q 2 W	Docetaxel 75 mg/m ² Q 3 W		582	62	21–85	NR	339 (58)	243 (42)
Motzer 2015 [4]	Checkmate-025	Nivolumab	3	RCC	N	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q 2 W	Everolimus 10 mg daily		821	62	18–88	61.3	497 (61)	324 (39)
Robert 01–2015 [29]	Checkmate-066	Nivolumab	3	Melanoma	Y	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q 2 W	Dacarbazine 1000 mg/m ² Q 3 W		418	65	18–87	62.7	200 (48)	218 (52)
Ferris 2016 [2]	Checkmate-141	Nivolumab	3	H&N	N	Nivolumab 3 mg/kg Q 2 W	Chemotherapy		361	60	28–83	59.1	248 (69)	113 (31)
Herbst 2016 [8]	Keynote-010	Pembrolizumab	2/3	NSCLC	N	Pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg Q 3 W	Pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg Q 3 W	Docetaxel 75 mg/m ² Q 3 W	1033	NR	NR	62	604 (58)	429 (42)
Robert 06–2015 [9]	Keynote-006	Pembrolizumab	3	Melanoma	N	Pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg Q 2 W	Pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg Q 3 W	Ipilimumab 3 mg/kg Q 3 W	834	NR	NR	60.3	467 (56)	367 (44)

Table 2 Summary of HR for OS by Age

Age	HR (95% CI)
Age < 65 years	0.68 (0.61 to 0.75)
Age ≥ 65 years	0.64 (0.54 to 0.76)

Table 3 Summary of HR for PFS by Age

Age	HR (95% CI)
Age < 65 years	0.73 (0.61 to 0.88)
Age ≥ 65 years	0.74 (0.60 to 0.92)



Elderly and ICI : age ≥ 70 and PS 2

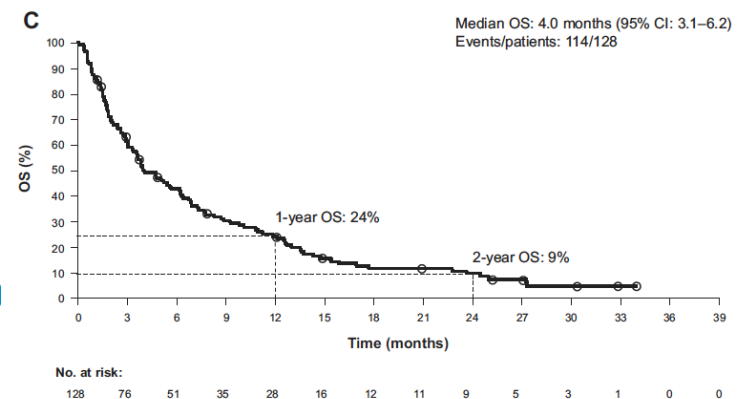
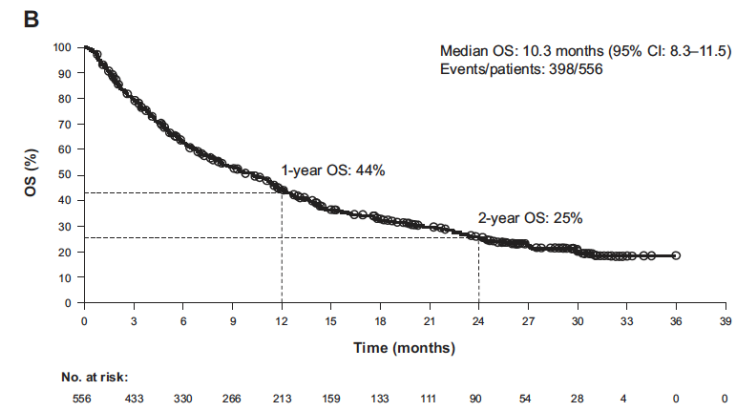
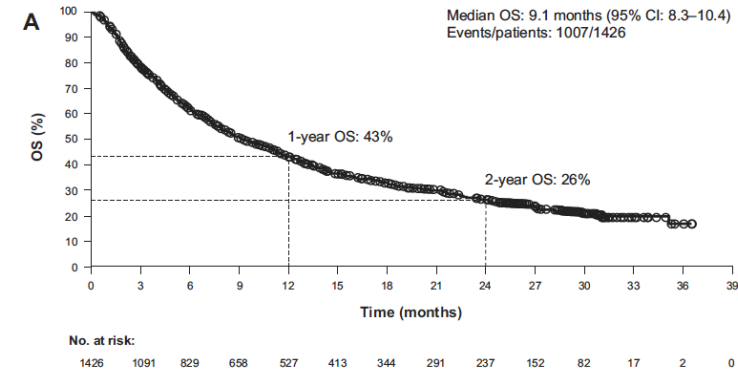
Safety, Efficacy, and Patient-Reported Health-Related Quality of Life and Symptom Burden with Nivolumab in Patients with Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer, Including Patients Aged 70 Years or Older with Poor Performance Status (CheckMate 153)

Phase III /IV previously treated

N all : 1426 (PS 2 : 128)

N ≥ 70 : 556 patients (PS 2 : 63)

	All	≥ 70	PS 2
OS m	9.1	10.3	4
2Y OS	26 %	25 %	9 %
AE grade ≥ 3	6 %	6 %	9 %



Elderly and ICI: Belgian Real World Data

Real life safety and effectiveness of nivolumab in older patients with non-small cell lung cancer: results from the Belgian compassionate use program

All patients (N=324)	Patients <70 (N=216)	Patients ≥70 (N=108)	Patients ECOG-PS 0-1 (N=224)	Patients ECOG ≥ 2 (N=87)
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- **Patients characteristics well balanced in both groups**
- **No difference in Safety**
- **No difference in OS and PFS by age**
- **Lower OS and PFS for PS ≥ 2**



Elderly and ICI: Belgian Real world data

Figure 1a: Progression Free Survival

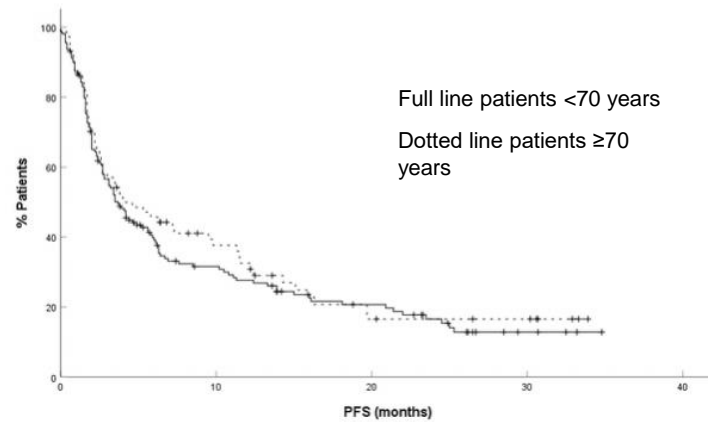


Figure 2a: Progression Free survival

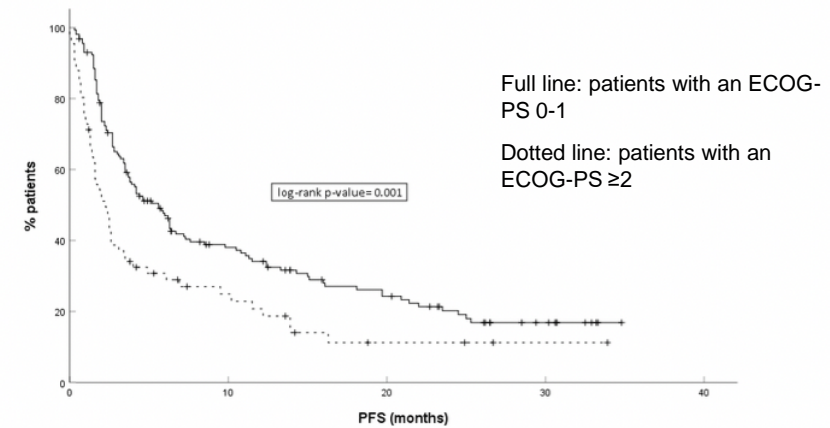


Figure 1b: Overall Survival

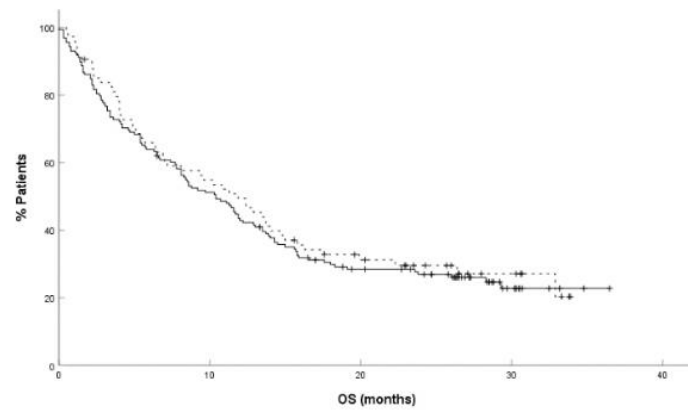
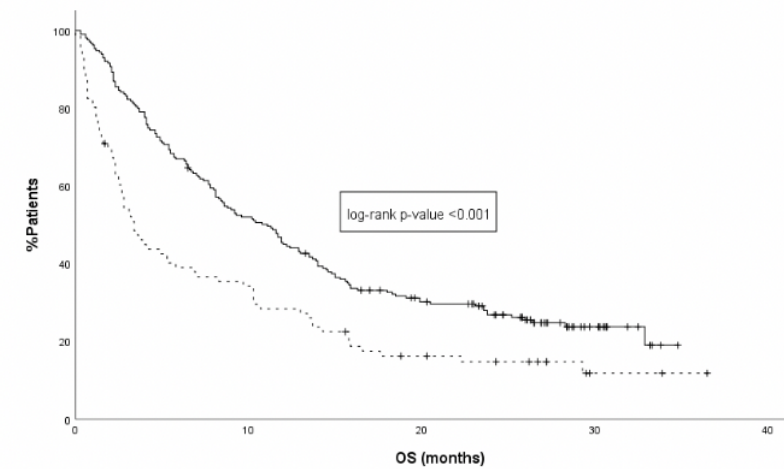


Figure 2b: Overall survival





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Male °1959

- ▶ No relevant past medical history
 - Smoker: 30 UAP
 - Alcohol: 3 units per day

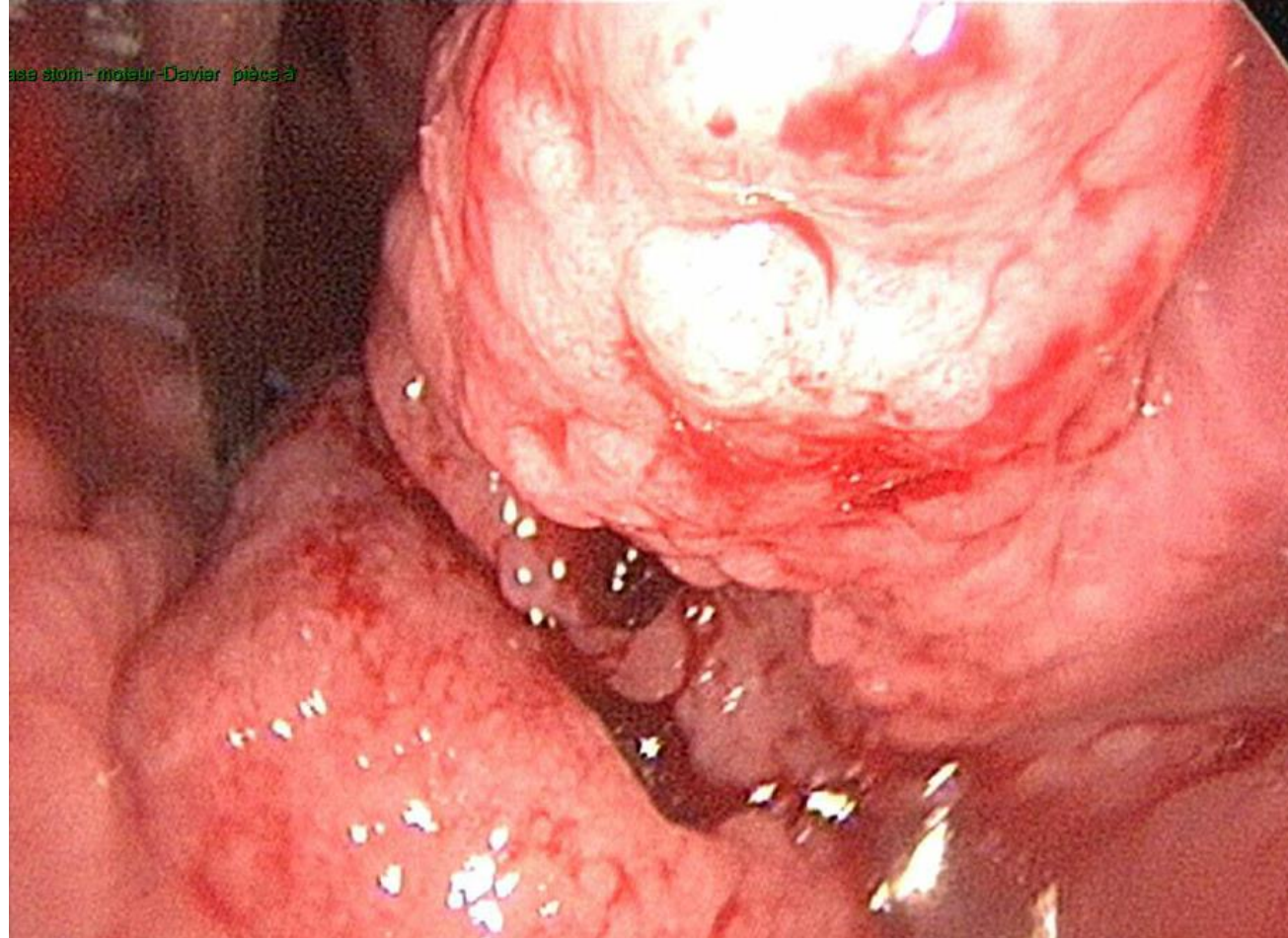
- ▶ February 2018: Dysphagia and dysphonia



Male °1959



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- ▶ Biopsy: Squamous cell carcinoma p16 negative
- ▶ FDG-PET: no distant metastases
- ▶ cT3N1 right pyriform sinus carcinoma
- ▶ Chemoradiation (70 Gy, Cisplatin 100 mg/m² day 1,22,43) in a clinical trial.
- ▶ Phase 3 trial: Chemoradiation with anti-PD1 or placebo



Male °1959

- ▶ April 18, 2018: Start anti-PD1 or placebo
- ▶ April 25, 2018: Start chemoradiation
 - The patient had dyspnea and stridor
 - Head and neck endoscopy: Laryngeal oedema with airway obstruction
- ▶ Tracheostomy. Start chemoradiation.



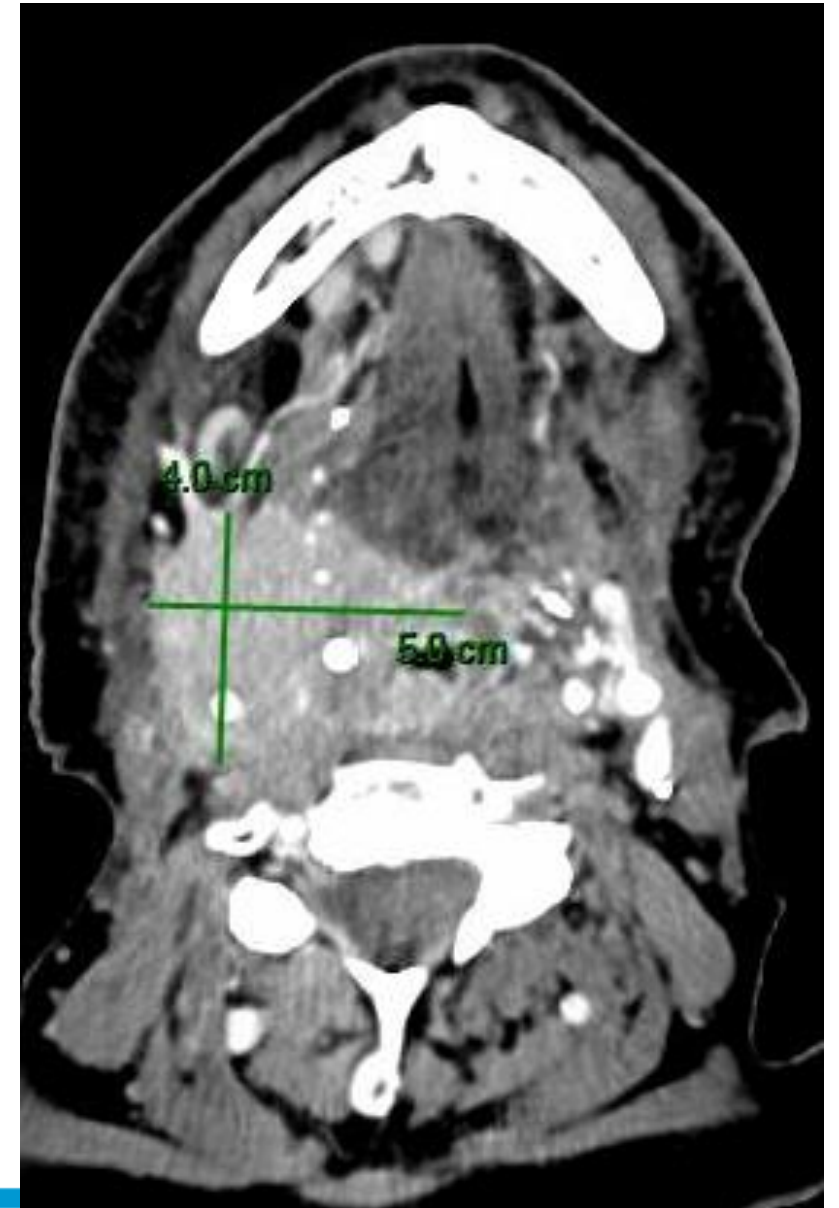
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- ▶ What is the cause of the oedema ? The surgeon strongly believes that it is due to anti-PD1
- ▶ Do you continue treatment (placebo/anti-PD1) ?



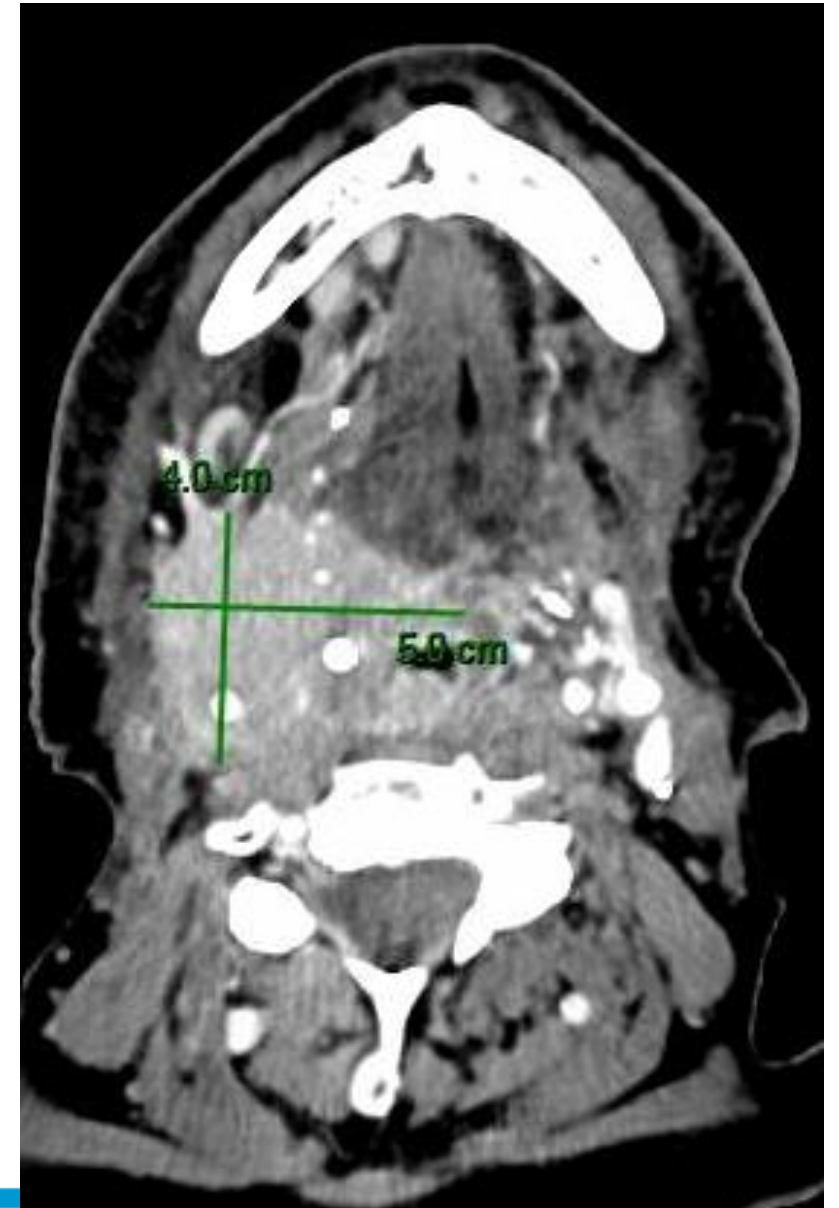
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- ▶ December 2018 : disease progression
- ▶ What do you do ?



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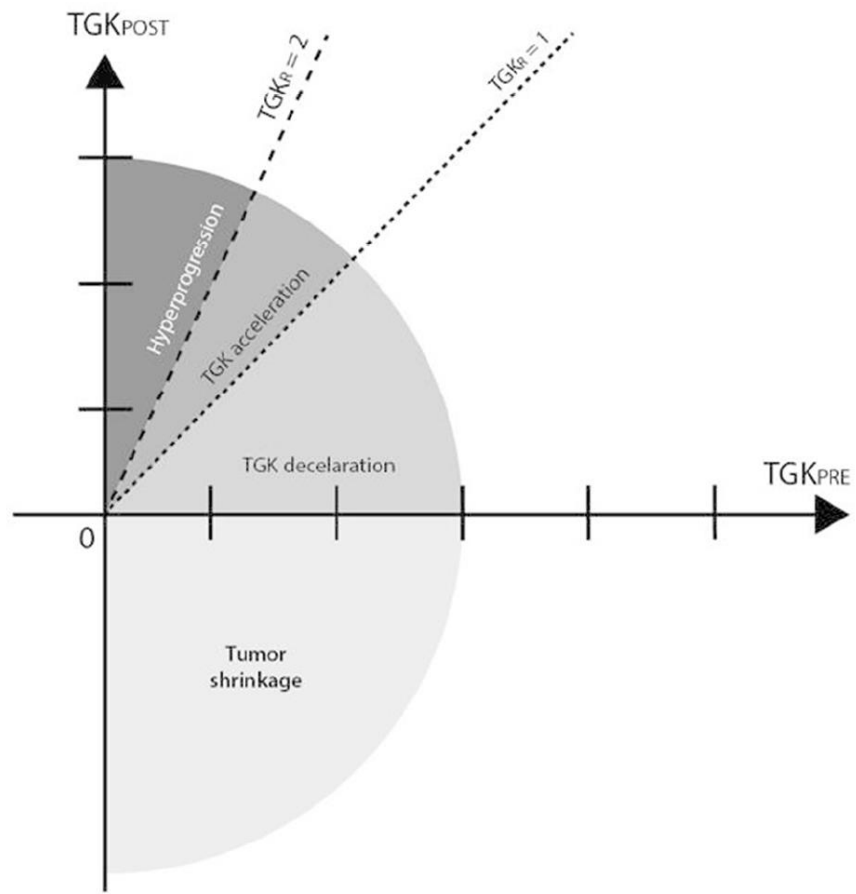
- ▶ December 2018 : disease progression
- ▶ What do you do ?
 - Unblinded: placebo

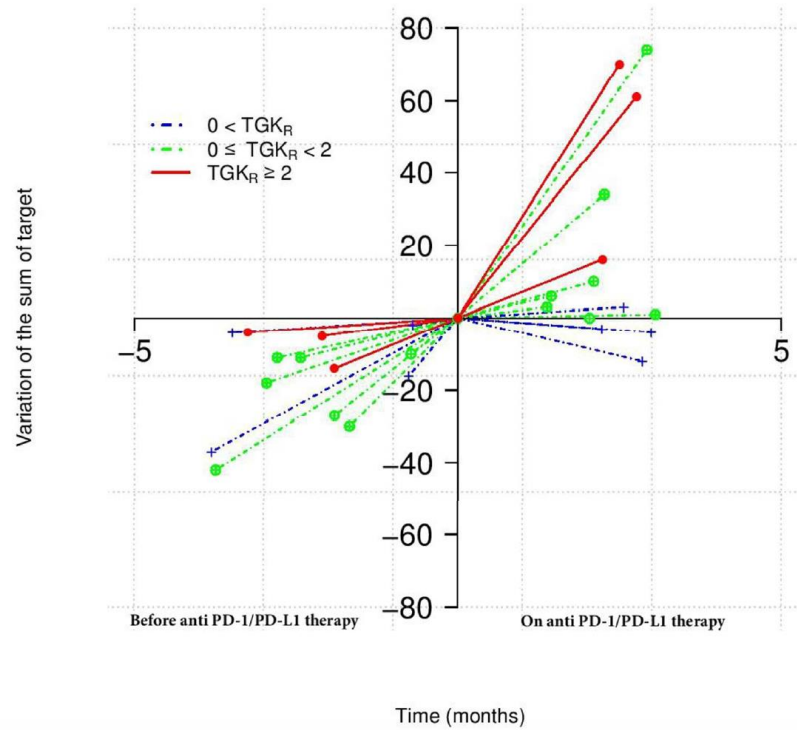


Hyperprogression vs pseudo progression: definitions

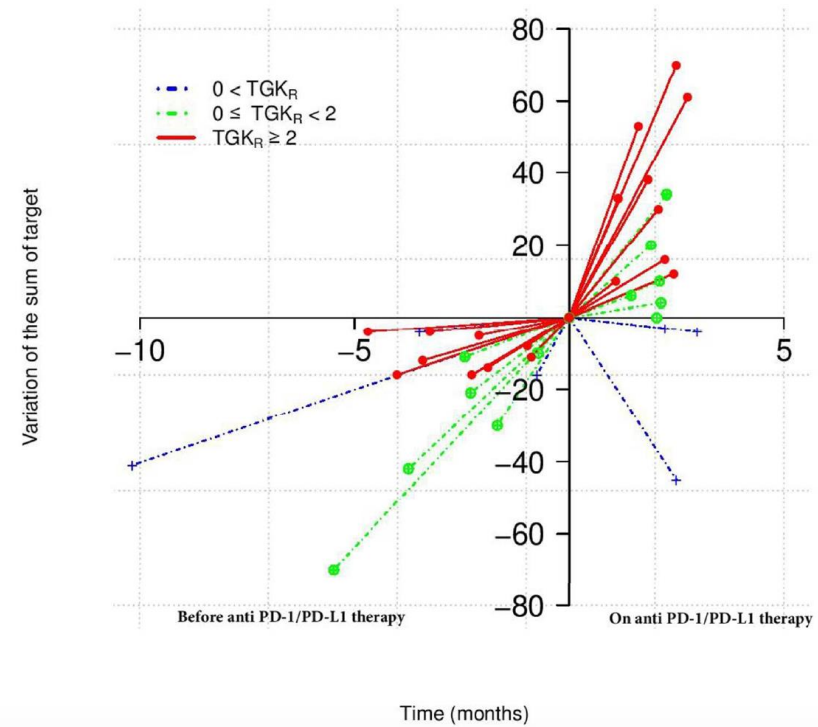
- ▶ **Pseudoproggression:** Increase in size of the lesion before tumor regression
- ▶ **Hyperprogression:** ≥ 2 fold increase in tumor growth rate between the pre-treatment and the treatment periods
 - Frequency: 9-30% (using various definitions)¹⁻⁵
 - No placebo arms to control for natural disease evolution







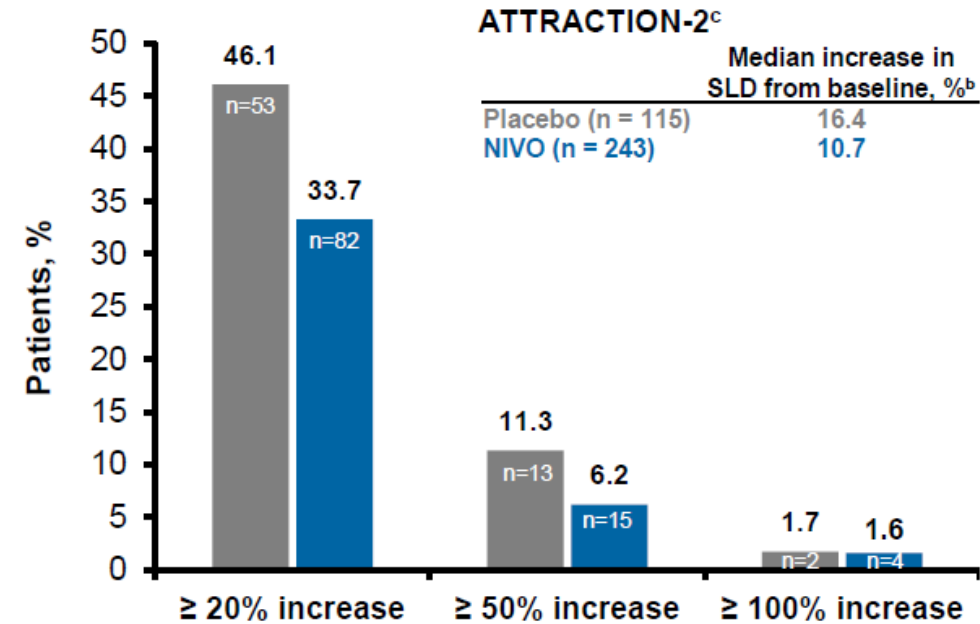
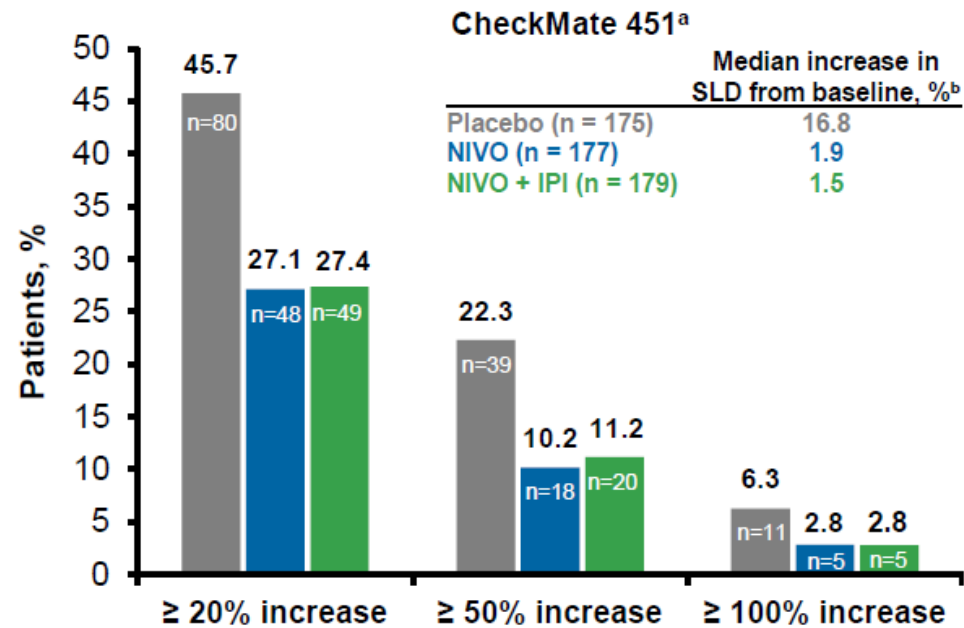
Local recurrence



Regional recurrence



Does it really exist ?



- In CheckMate 451, descriptive analysis of OS in $\geq 20\%$ vs $< 20\%$ populations suggests that greater increases in tumor size are prognostic of poor survival



Male

▶ Past medical history

- 1997: non-Hodgkin lymphoma treated with high dose chemotherapy and hematopoietic stem cell familial allograft
- 1987: malaria
- 2010: lung tuberculosis
- 1997: hepatitis B (not active)
- Tobacco: 20 UAP, no alcohol

▶ August 2013: Hypopharynx T4aN2bM0



Male

- ▶ August 2013: Hypopharynx T4aN2bM0
- ▶ January 2016: Liver metastases; Biopsy: squamous cell carcinoma
- ▶ 2016-2017: Platinum/5-FU/cetuximab
- ▶ 2017: progressive disease. Anti-PD1 ?



Male

- ▶ Treated with anti-PD1 during 4 months
- ▶ Progressive disease
- ▶ No auto-immune related adverse events



Organ transplants and immune checkpoints: discussion

- ▶ Transplanted patients receive immunosuppressive therapy: antitumor effect may be affected
- ▶ Checkpoint blockade may activate anti-graft immune rejection



Organ transplants and immune checkpoints: discussion

- ▶ IO **before** allogenic blood or bone marrow transplant: no large studies
- ▶ May increase GvHD, immune related AEs, and nonrelapse mortality¹
- ▶ Posttransplant cyclophosphamide might limit this risk²
- ▶ Further investigations needed



Organ transplants and immune checkpoints: discussion

- ▶ IO **after** allogenic blood or bone marrow transplant: no large studies^{1,2}
- ▶ Cautious: risk of aggressive GvHD in immediate posttransplantation
- ▶ However, sometimes used with success in case of relapse
- ▶ No GvHD and no immunosuppression two years (?) after transplant: probably safe



Organ transplants and immune checkpoints: discussion

Immune checkpoint blockade regimens with associated risk and timing of allograft rejection based on available reports.

Name of agent	Mechanism of action	Organs involved	% of Total rejected	Time until rejection (weeks)
Ipilimumab monotherapy	CTLA-4 Inhibition	Kidney: 3 [14,31] Liver: 2 [13,32] Heart: 1 [33] N = 6	Kidney: 1/3 = 33% Liver: 0/2 = 0% Heart 0/1 = 0% Total: 1/6 = ~16%	8 [31]
Pembrolizumab monotherapy	PD-1 Inhibition	Kidney: 2 [14,34] Liver: 1 [35] N = 3	Kidney: 2/2 = 100% Liver: 0/1 = 0% Total 2/3 = ~66%	6 [34] 8 [15]
Nivolumab monotherapy	PD-1 Inhibition	Kidney: 3 [36–38] Heart: 2 [16,38] N = 5	Kidney: 2/3 = ~66% Heart: 1/2 = 50% Total: 3/5 = 60%	Kidney: 6 [36,37] Heart: 2 [16]
<i>Ipilimumab followed by Nivolumab</i> (after progression on ipilimumab alone)	CTLA-4 inhibition → PD-1 inhibition (after documented progression)	Kidney: 2 [19,39] N = 2	Kidney: 1/2 = 50% Total: 1/2 = 50%	0.85 [19]
Ipilimumab followed by Pembrolizumab (after progression on ipilimumab alone)	CTLA-4 inhibition → PD-1 inhibition (after documented progression)	Kidney: 1 [2] N = 1	Kidney: 1/1 = 100% Total: 1/1 = 100%	3 [2]

Clinical outcomes of all available cases in which organ transplant recipients received immune checkpoint blockade. These outcomes are organized according to the therapeutic regimen used in each case. Described regimens included monotherapy or combination therapy with CTLA-4 and PD-1 inhibitors.



Organ transplants and immune checkpoints: discussion

- ▶ IO can be active in transplanted patients
- ▶ Anti-PD1: high risk of acute rejection
- ▶ Anti-CTLA4 appears safer
- ▶ Risk/benefice balance:
 - Renal transplant vs the others
 - Expected response to IO
 - ? Concomitant use of steroids or mTOR inhibitor ?



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