

Novel Advances for Esophageal, Gastric and GE Junction Tumors

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Current management strategies

Treatment options	Esophageal SCC (ESCC)	Esophageal Adeno (AC)	GEJ AC	Gastric AC
Definitive ChemoXRT	X			
Neoadjuvant ChemoXRT + Surgery	X	X	X	
Chemo + Surgery + Chemo		X	X	X
Surgery + Chemo				X

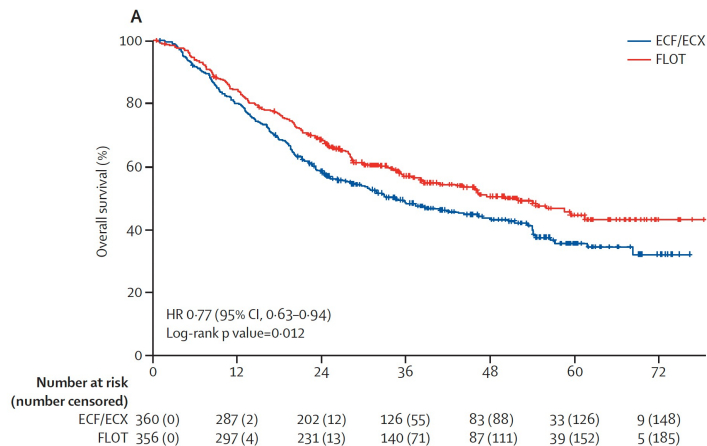
Can we challenge the treatment paradigm?

Tepper J et al. J Clin Oncol. 2008 Mar 1;26(7):1086-92 Cunningham D et al. N Engl J Med. 2006 Jul 6;355(1):11-20

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Neoadjuvant and Perioperative Strategies

FLOT4

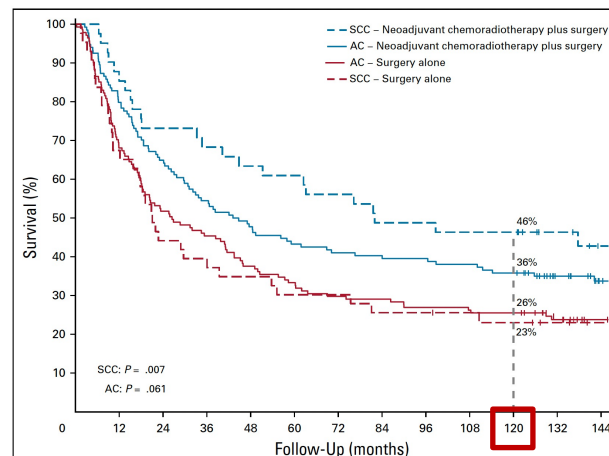


FLOT4 (GEJ I-III 56% / Ga Ca 44%) mOS 50 mo

Al-Batran SE et al Lancet. 2019 May 11;393(10184):1948-1957

Eyck BM et al J Clin Oncol. 2021 Jun 20;39(18):1995-2004

CROSS



ESCC 23%, ADC 75%

FLOT Regimen

- **T** docetaxel d1 50 mg/m² iv inf.
- **O** oxaliplatin d1 85 mg/m² iv inf.
- **L** leucovorin d1 200 mg/m² iv inf.
- **F** 5-FU d1 2.600 mg/m² iv 24h inf.
– repeated every 2 weeks

Esophageal and GEJ adenocarcinoma:
Esophageal and AEG I-III
cT2-3N0-3M0

Non-inferiority (n= 540-powered
as per first futility analysis Dec 2018)

Primary endpoint: Overall survival

Secondary end points: Disease free survival;
Time to treatment failure: TRG: R0: Toxicity: Postoperative
complications; HR-QL

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EC(O)F(X) x 3
or
FLOT x 4

Surgery

EC(O)F(X) x 3
Or
FLOT x 4

Arm A

362 evaluable patients, 178 CROSS, 184 MAGIC/FLOT (157/27)

Neo CRT (CROSS)
wCP-RT(41.4Gy)+Surgery

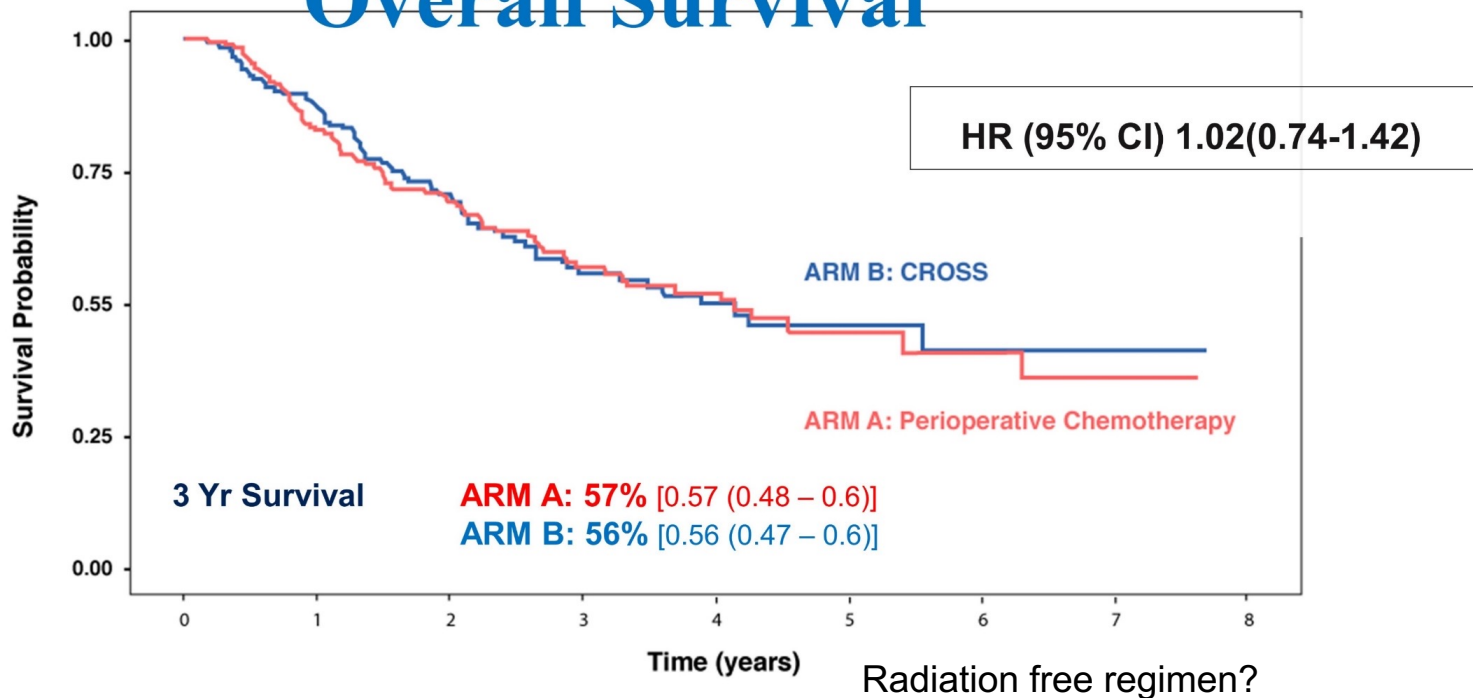
Arm B

Al-Batran SE, et al. Lancet 2019; 393:1948-57

Results: Pathologic Response, TRG and R status

	ARM A (Chemo)	ARM B (CROSS)
ypN0	44.5%	60%
ypT3	59.6%	52%
Change from cN1-ypN+	-5%	-20%
R0	82%	95%
pCR	5%	16%
TRG1	5.3%	17.3%
TRG 2	6.7%	24.4%
Major Path Response	12%	31.7%
TRG 3	23.4%	32.1%
TRG 4	41.6%	22.4%
TRG 5	22.8%	3.8%

Overall Survival



NUMBER AT RISK

ARM A:	180	132	90	55	37	14	9	7	0
ARM B:	175	139	92	52	25	11	7	6	0

A randomized controlled phase III trial comparing two chemotherapy regimen and chemoradiotherapy regimen as neoadjuvant treatment for locally advanced esophageal cancer, JCOG1109 NExT study

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JCOG1109 NExT: Study Design

Key eligibility criteria

- Histologically proven ESCC
- ECOG PS 0-1
- cStage IB, II, III (nonT4)
(~~UICC~~ TNM7th)
- Age 20-75 y.o.
- R0 esophagectomy is expected

Adjustment factors

- Institution
- cT1-2 / T3

Enrollment started 12/2012

R

Neoadjuvant CF
(5-fluorouracil + cisplatin)^a
Q3W x 2 course **6 weeks**

Neoadjuvant DCF
(5-fluorouracil + cisplatin + docetaxel)^b
Q3W x 3 course **9 weeks**

Neoadjuvant CF+RT
(5-fluorouracil + cisplatin + RT 41.4 Gy)^c
Q4W x 2 course **8 weeks**

**Transthoracic
esophagectomy with
regional
lymphadenectomy (D2≤)^d**

Minimally invasive and open

Primary Endpoint: OS
Secondary endpoints:
PFS, % R0 resection, RR,
pathCR and AEs.

Minimum follow up 36 months

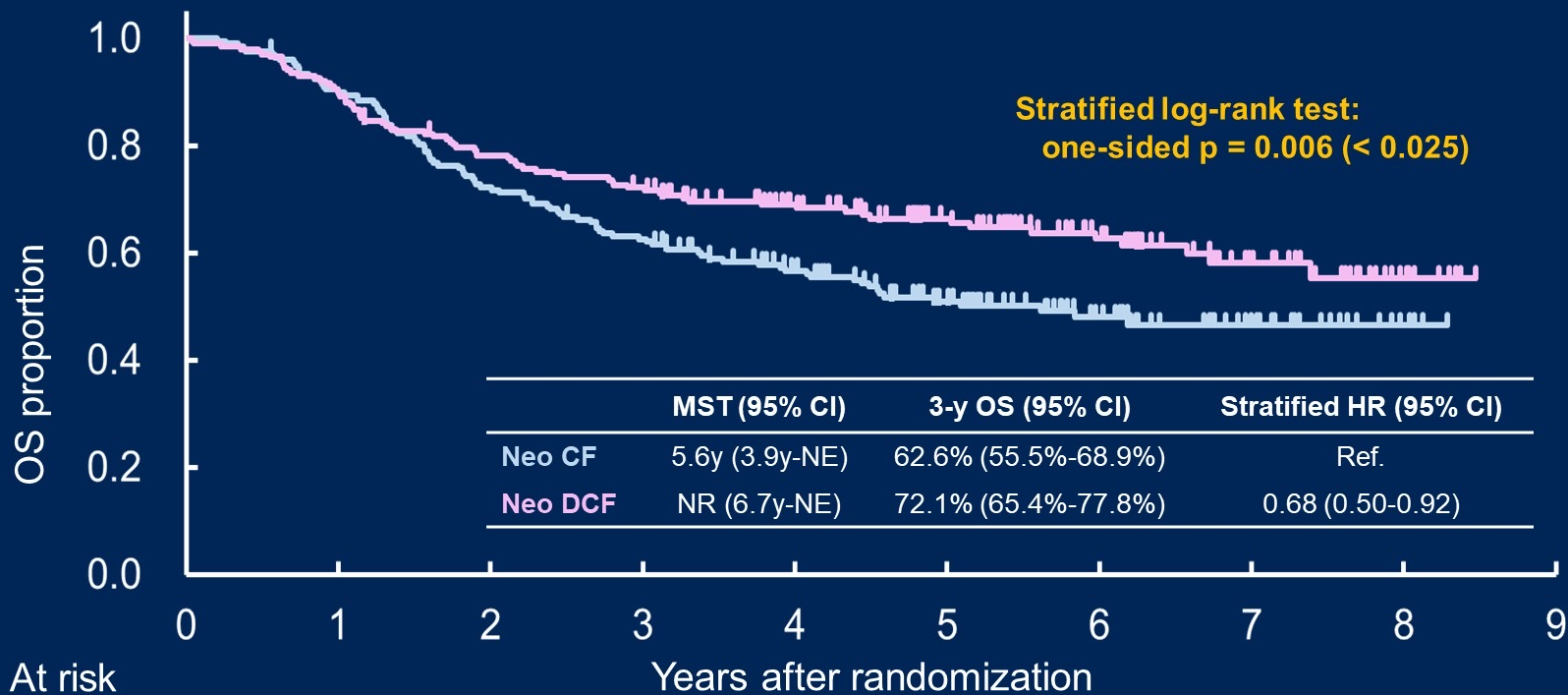
^a5-FU 800 mg/m² IV days 1-5, cisplatin 80 mg/m² IV day1

^b5-FU 750 mg/m² IV days 1-5, cisplatin 70 mg/m² IV day1, docetaxel 70 mg/m² IV (day1)

^c5-FU 1000 mg/m² IV days 1-4, cisplatin 75 mg/m² IV day1

Nakamura et al, Jpn J Clin Oncol 2013;43(7)752-755

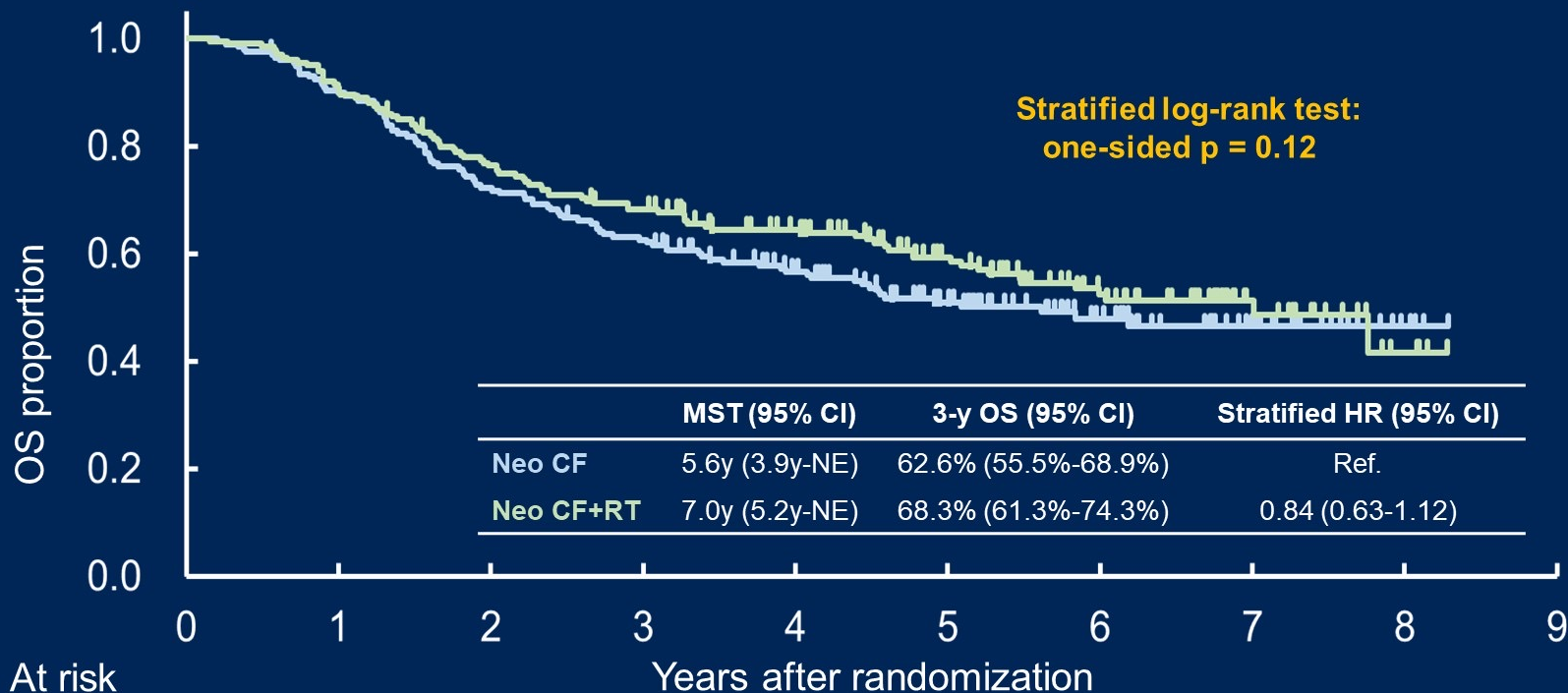
Overall survival: Neo CF vs Neo DCF



Neo CF	199	178	143	123	98	66	38	19	4	0
Neo DCF	202	182	156	143	113	82	56	26	8	0

Overall survival: Neo CF vs Neo CF+RT

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Neo CF	199	178	143	123	98	66	38	19	4	0
Neo CF+RT	200	182	151	133	111	79	47	19	4	0

Conclusions

- ✓ Neoadjuvant DCF, but not neoadjuvant CF+RT significantly improved OS over neoadjuvant CF for locally advanced ESCC, with a manageable toxicity.
- ✓ Neoadjuvant DCF represents a new standard treatment for ESCC.

Radiation free regimen?

Surgical and pathological outcome in patients receiving perioperative atezolizumab in combination with FLOT chemotherapy vs. FLOT alone for resectable esophagogastric adenocarcinoma: interim results from DANTE, a randomized, multicenter, phase IIb trial of the FLOT-AIO German Gastric Cancer Group and Swiss SAKK.

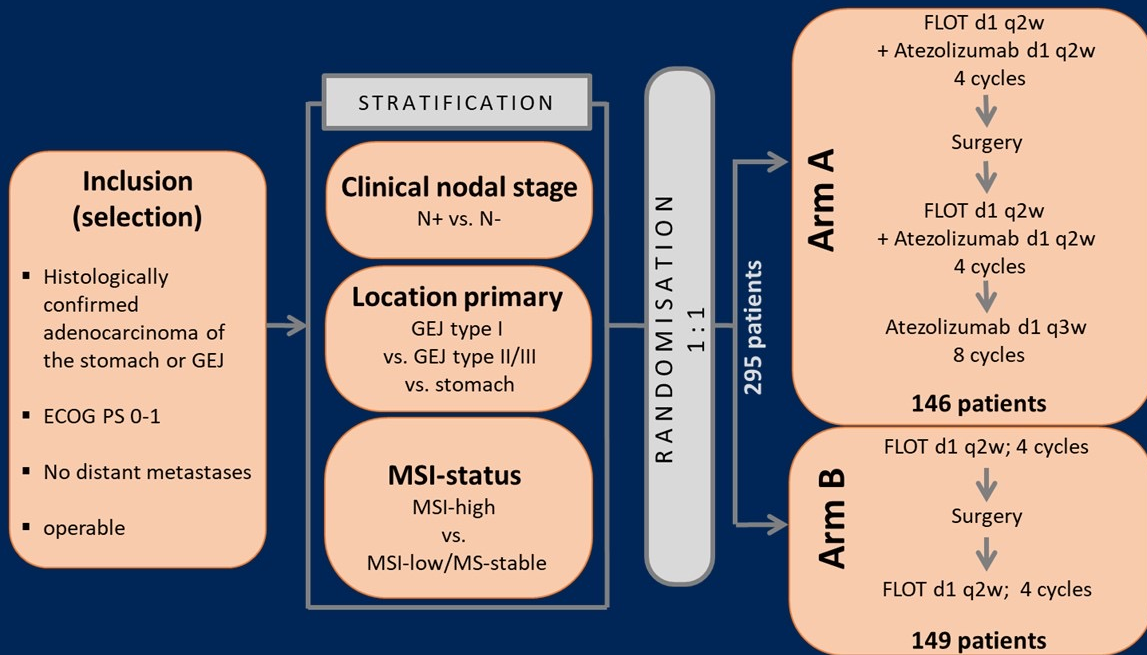
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Study Flow Chart

DANTE is an investigator-initiated phase-II trial with the potential to transition into a phase-III trial



Dosing Scheme

Arm A: FLOT + Atezolizumab

→ 4 pre- and post-operative cycles repeated every 2 weeks

- **Atezolizumab 840 mg i.v., d1**
- Docetaxel 50 mg/m² i.v., d1
- Oxaliplatin 85 mg/m² i.v., d1
- Leucovorin 200 mg/m² i.v., d1
- 5-FU 2600 mg/m² i.v., d1, 24 h inf.

→ 8 additional cycles **atezolizumab maintenance** repeated every 3 weeks

- Atezolizumab 1200 mg i.v., d1

Arm B: FLOT alone

→ 4 pre- and post-operative cycles repeated every 2 weeks

- Docetaxel 50 mg/m² i.v., d1
- Oxaliplatin 85 mg/m² i.v., d1
- Leucovorin 200 mg/m² i.v., d1
- 5-FU 2600 mg/m² i.v., d1, 24 h inf.

Pathological regression (local assessment)

Pathological Regression FLOT + Atezolizumab (arm A) vs. FLOT (arm B)	Becker Classification			
	TRG1a ¹		TRG1a/b ²	
	A	B	A	B
All patients (N= 295; 146 149)	35 (24%)	23 (15%)	71 (49%)	58 (39%)
PD-L1 CPS ≥1 (N=170; 82 88)	20 (24%)	13 (15%)	42 (51%)	40 (46%)
PD-L1 CPS ≥5 (N=81; 40 41)	11 (28%)	8 (20%)	22 (55%)	18 (44%)
PD-L1 CPS ≥10 (N=53; 27 26)	9 (33%)	3 (12%)	18 (67%)	10 (39%)
MSI high (N=23; 8 15)	5 (63%)	4 (27%)	6 (75%)	7 (47%)

¹pathological complete regression acc. to Becker

²pathological subtotal regression acc. to Becker

Pathological response (local vs. central assessment)

Pathological Regression FLOT + Atezolizumab (arm A) vs. FLOT (arm B)	Local assessment				Central assessment ¹			
	TRG1a ²		TRG1a/b ³		TRG1a ²		TRG1a/b ³	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
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PD-L1 CPS ≥10 (N=53; 27 26)	9 (33%)	3 (12%)	18 (67%)	10 (39%)	11 (41%)	5 (19%)	19 (70%)	13 (50%)
MSI high (N=23; 8 15)	5 (63%)	4 (27%)	6 (75%)	7 (47%)	5 (63%)	4 (27%)	6 (75%)	7 (47%)

¹central assessment by one pathologist based on a representative tumor sample

²pathological complete regression acc. to Becker

³pathological subtotal regression acc. to Becker

Conclusion

- Perioperative FLOT plus atezolizumab is feasible and safe
- The addition of atezolizumab
 - improved downstaging (more patients in favorable pT and pN categories)
 - showed beneficial effects on path regression that seemed to be more pronounced with higher PD-L1 expression and in patients with MSI-high
- The analysis justifies the transition into a phase III trial

Adjuvant nivolumab in resected esophageal or gastroesophageal junction cancer following neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy: expanded efficacy and safety analyses from CheckMate 577

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CheckMate-577

CheckMate 577 study design

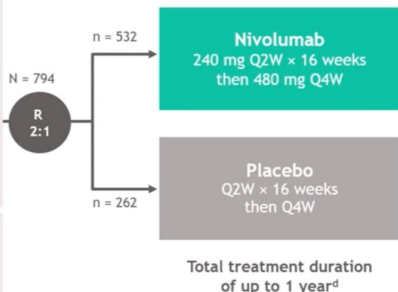
- CheckMate 577 is a global, phase 3, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial^a

Key eligibility criteria

- Stage II/III EC/GEJC
- Adenocarcinoma or squamous cell carcinoma
- Neoadjuvant CRT + surgical resection (R0,^b performed within 4-16 weeks prior to randomization)
- Residual pathologic disease
 - ≥ ypT1 or ≥ ypN1
- ECOG PS 0-1

Stratification factors

- Histology (squamous versus adenocarcinoma)
- Pathologic lymph node status (≥ ypN1 versus ypN0)
- Tumor-cell PD-L1 expression (≥ 1% versus < 1%)



Primary endpoint:

- DFS^e

Secondary endpoints:

- OS^f
- OS rate at 1, 2, and 3 years

Exploratory endpoints included:

- Safety
- DMFS^g
- PFS2^h
- QoL

Baseline characteristics

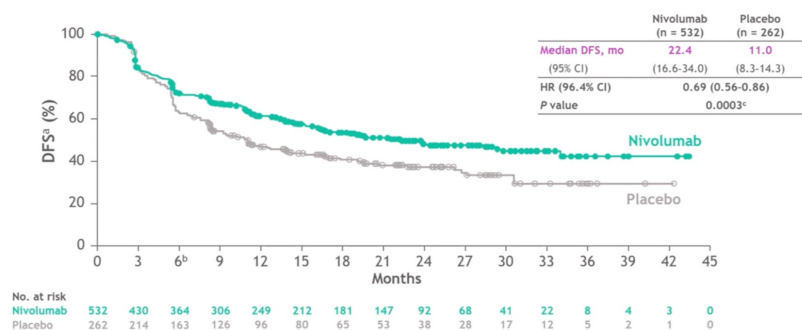
	Nivolumab (n = 532)	Placebo (n = 262)
Median age (range), years	62 (26-82)	61 (26-86)
Male, %	84	85
Race, ^a %		
White	81	82
Asian	16	13
ECOG PS, %		
0	58	60
1	42	40
Disease stage at initial diagnosis, ^b %		
II	34	38
III	66	62
Tumor location, %		
EC	60	59
GEJC	40	41
Histology, ^c %		
Squamous cell carcinoma	29	29
Adenocarcinoma	71	71
Pathologic lymph node status ≥ ypN1, %	57	58
Tumor-cell PD-L1 expression, ^{d,e} %		
≥ 1%	17	15
< 1%	70	75
Time from complete resection to randomization, %		
< 10 weeks	34	28
≥ 10 weeks	66	72

- In a post hoc analysis, a baseline PD-L1 CPS of 5 or higher was observed in 246 of 435 patients (57%) in the nivolumab arm and in 125 of 231 patients (54%) in the placebo arm

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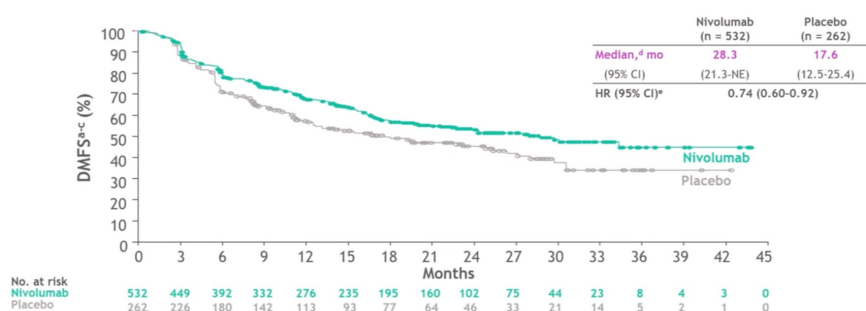
Disease-free survival (DFS)

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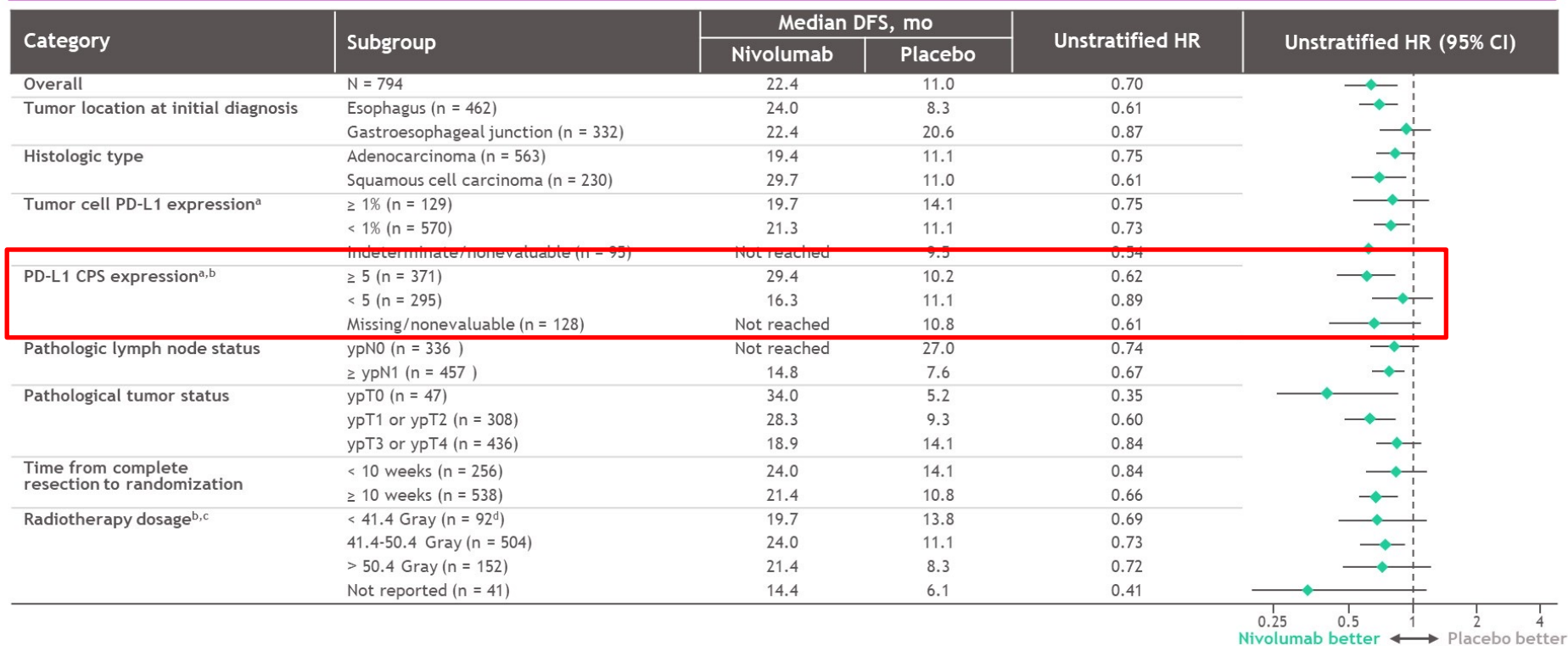


Distant metastasis-free survival (DMFS)

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Disease-free survival subgroup analysis



- Disease-free survival benefit was observed with nivolumab versus placebo across multiple subgroups

^aPD-L1 expression determined from tumor tissue specimen by the PD-L1 IHC 28-8 pharmDx assay (Dako), which for most patients, was obtained after completion of chemoradiotherapy; ^bPost hoc analysis; ^cRadiotherapies received from the start of concurrent CRT until complete resection. ^d10 patients (7 in the nivolumab group and 3 in the placebo group) received total exposure less than 40 Gray (following database lock, investigators amended the total dose of radiotherapy for 7 of these patients to 41.4-50.4 Gray).

Kelly RJ, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2021;384:1191-1203.

Other novel therapies for early stage or locally advanced

Ongoing trials

NEONIPGA Trial (Phase II) - Ipi/Nivo - Neoadjuvant for MSI/dMMR

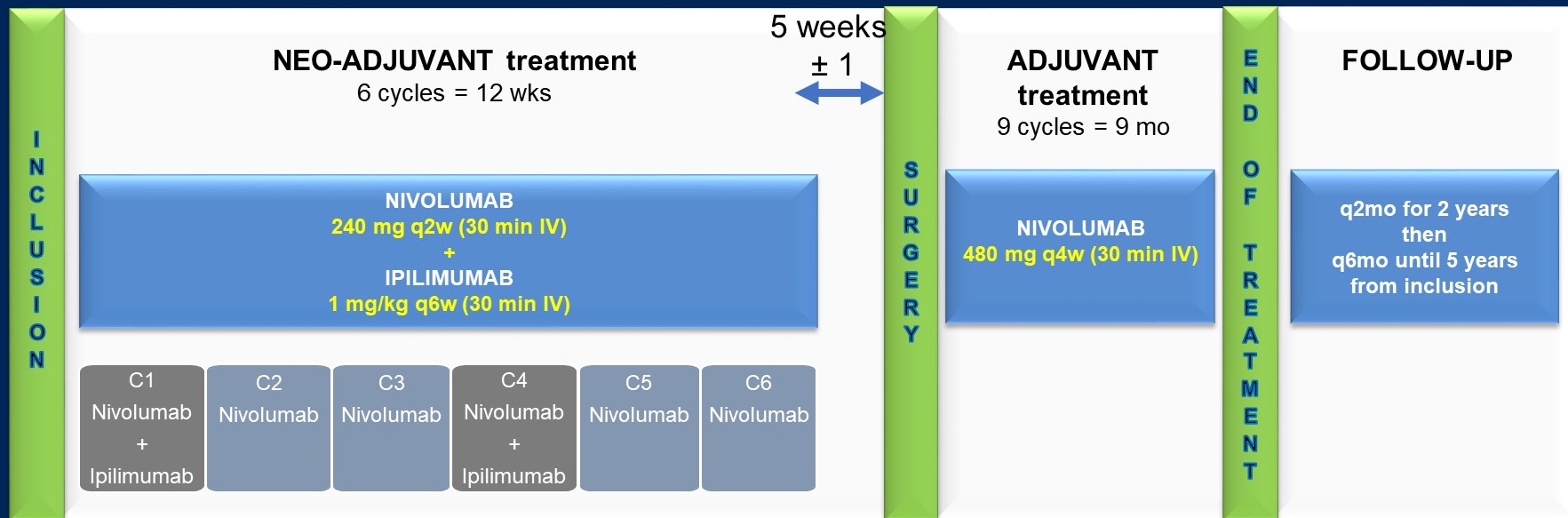
RATIONALE 311 Trial (Phase III) - Tislelizumab - Definitive chemoradiation for ESCC

KUNLUN Trial (Phase III) - Durvalumab - Definitive chemoradiation for ESCC

NCT02844075 Trial (Phase II) - Pembrolizumab - Neoadjuvant chemoradiation for ESCC

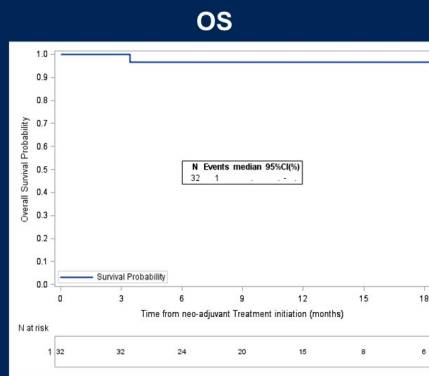
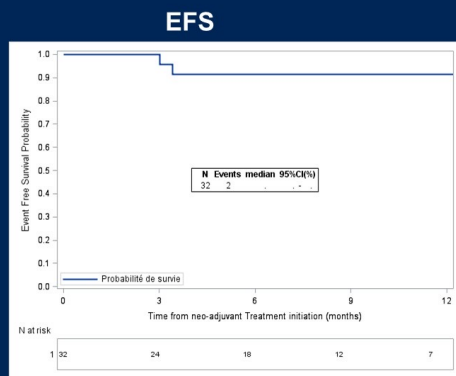
NEONIPIGA: Study design/metods

- Phase II study evaluating efficacy of neo-adjuvant nivolumab and ipilimumab followed by adjuvant nivolumab in pts with resectable OGA MSI/dMMR, T2-T4 NxM0
- The primary objective was pathological complete response rate (pCRR).



Results (2)

- With a median follow-up of 12 months (95%CI: 7.8-14.2), 2 patients had events (death or relapse)
 - one death at day 3 post surgery*
 - one progressive disease with metastatic disease PD after 6 cycles (surgery not performed)
 - 31 patients alive and 30 without relapse



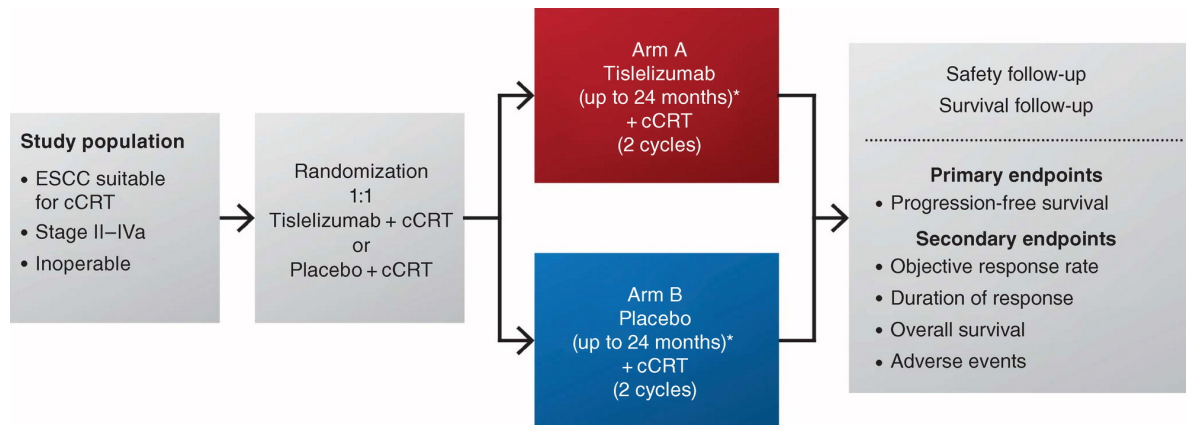
* History of severe cardio vascular co-morbidity and sudden death

Type of surgery (N=29)	N	%
R0	29	100
Total oesogastrectomy	1	3,5
Total gastrectomy	7	24
4/5 gastrectomy	9	31
Lewis-Santy procedure	11	38
Pancreaticoduodenectomy	1	3,5

ypT stage (N=32)	
ypT0*	19
ypT1a	1
ypT1b	2
ypT2	2
ypT3	5
unknown**	3
ypN stage (N=32)	
ypN0	23
ypN1	6
unknown*	3

- * 2 patients ypT0 and y
- ** 3 patients without su

RATIONALE 311



Tislelizumab Q3W + paclitaxel
on Day 1, for a total of 2 cycles +
cisplatin on Day 1 to 3 of every
cycle, for a total of 2 cycles +
Radiotherapy

Novel therapies for advanced stage, unresectable disease

KEYNOTE-590 (Phase III) - Pembrolizumab + chemo - Metastatic ESCC/GEJ AC

CheckMate-649 Trial (Phase III) - Nivolumab + chemo - Metastatic GEJ or Gastric AC

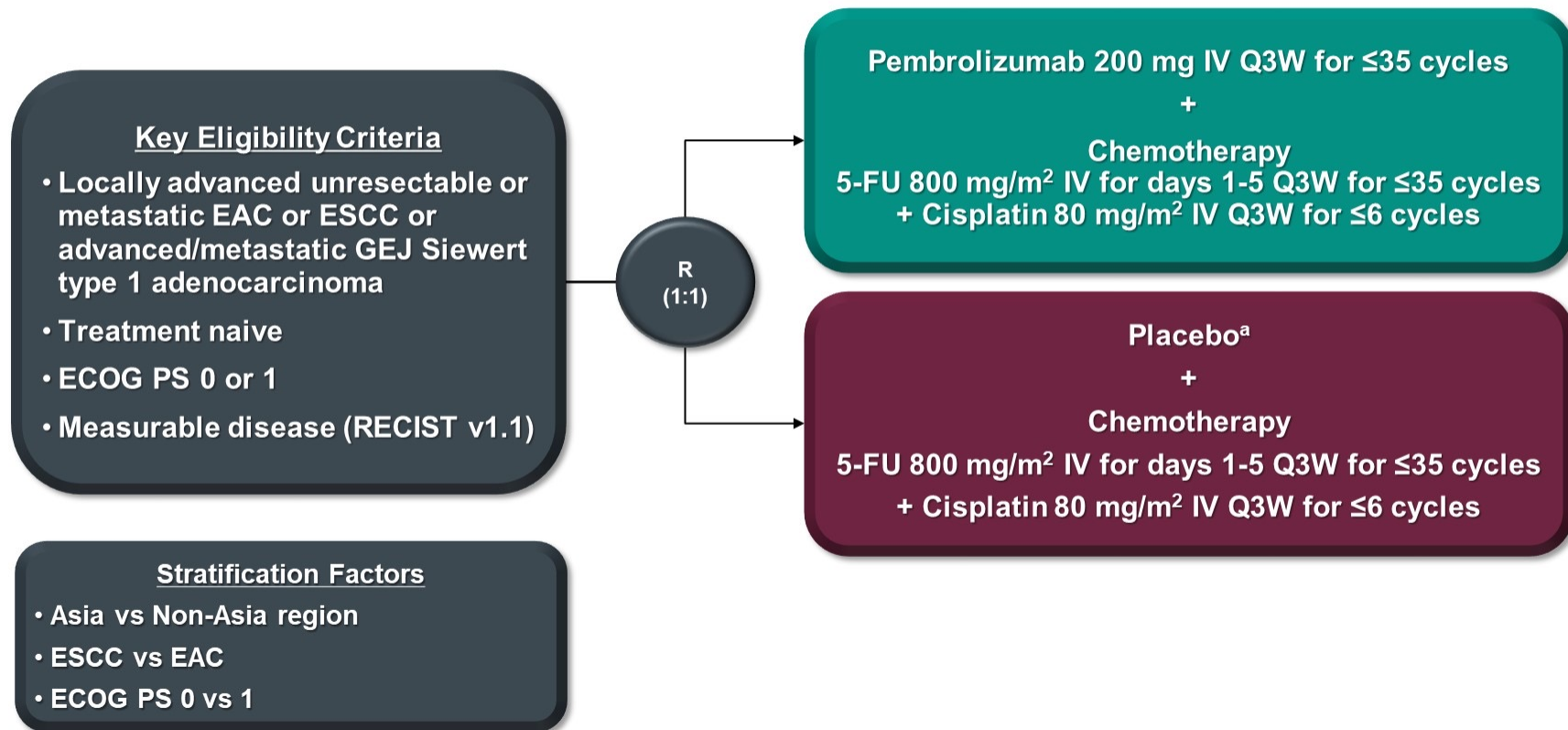
RATIONALE-302 Trial (Phase III) - Tislelizumab - 2L Metastatic ESCC

KEYNOTE-811 (Phase III) - Pembrolizumab + Transtuzumab + Chemo - Metastatic GEJ or Gastric AC

DESTINY-Gastric01 (Phase II) - Transtuzumab Deruxtecan - 2L Metastatic Gastric

JUPITER06 Trial (Phase III) - Toripalimab + chemo - Metastatic ESCC

KEYNOTE-590 Study Design (NCT03189719)

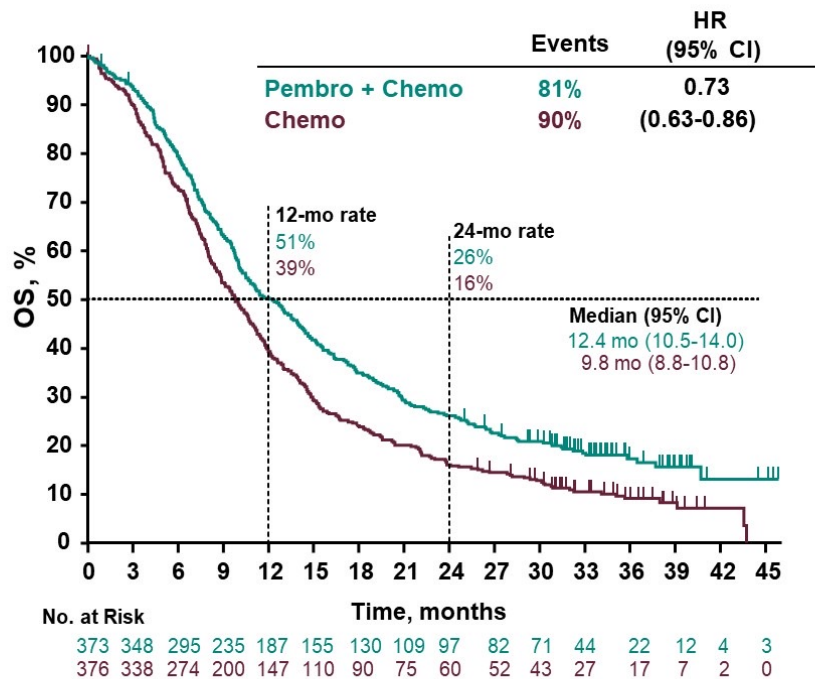


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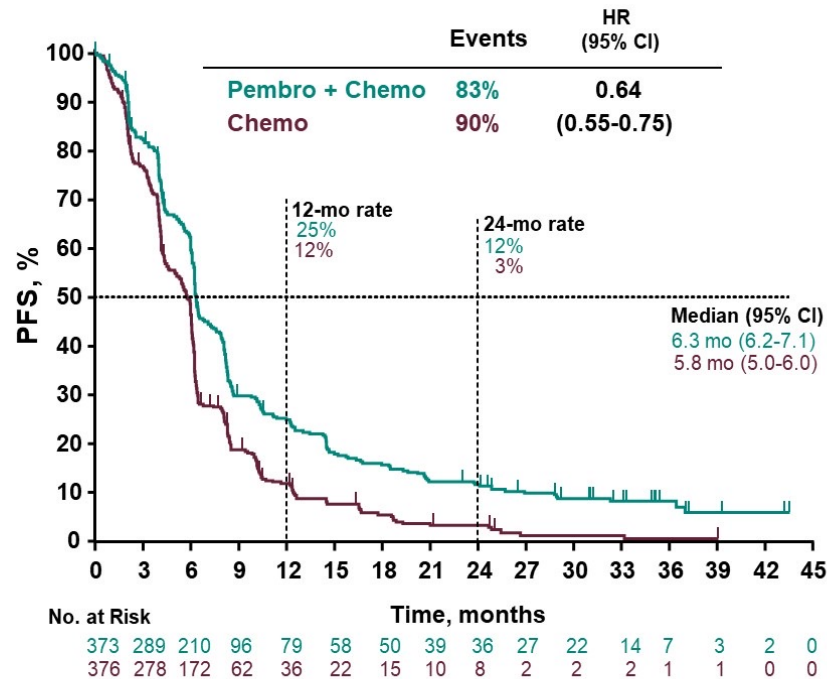
^aSaline IV Q3W for ≤35 cycles. All treatments were continued for the specified number of cycles or until disease progression, intolerable toxicity, withdrawal of consent, or physician decision; EAC, esophageal adenocarcinoma; GEJ, gastroesophageal junction; ESCC, esophageal squamous cell carcinoma; Data cutoff: July 9, 2021.

Survival: All Patients

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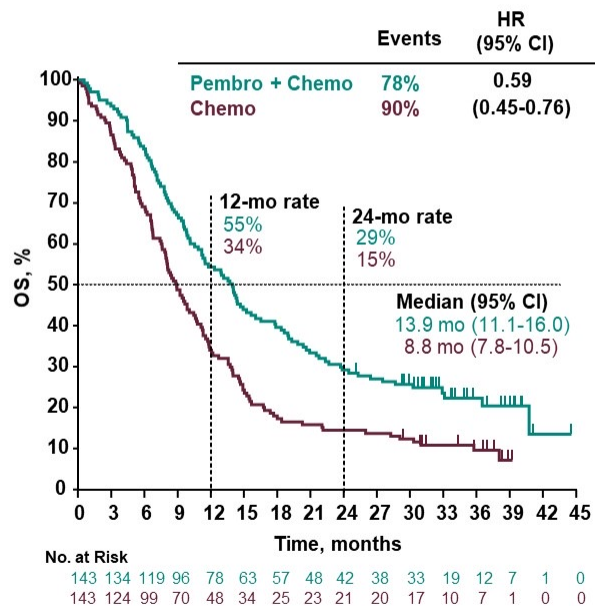


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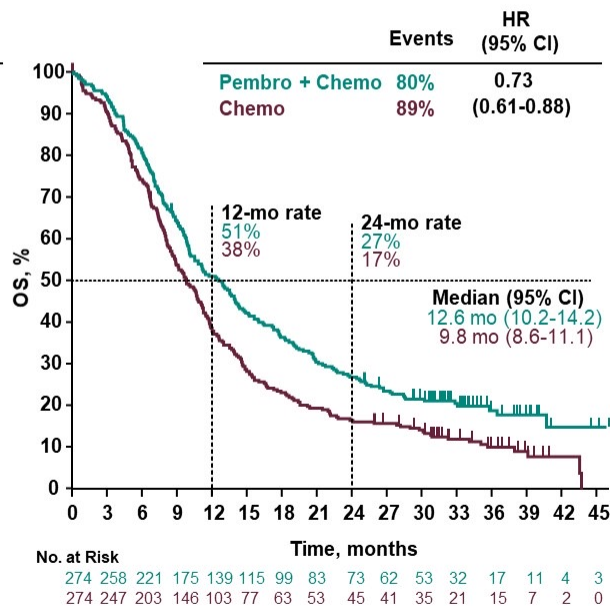


OS: Pre-specified Subgroups

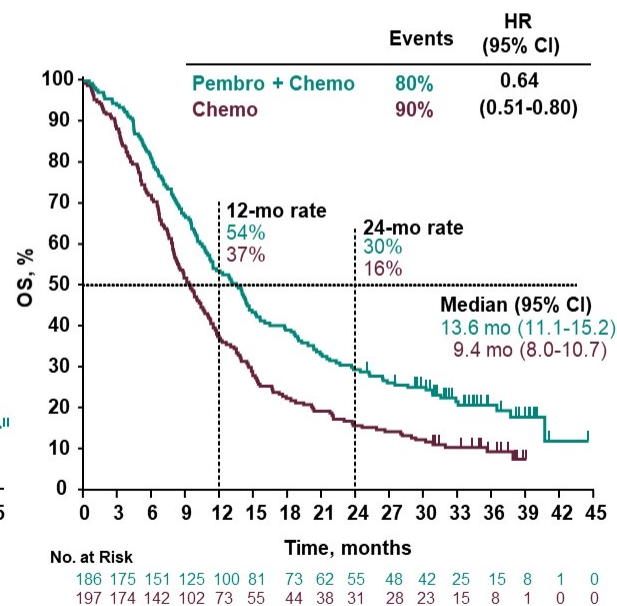
ESCC PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10



ESCC



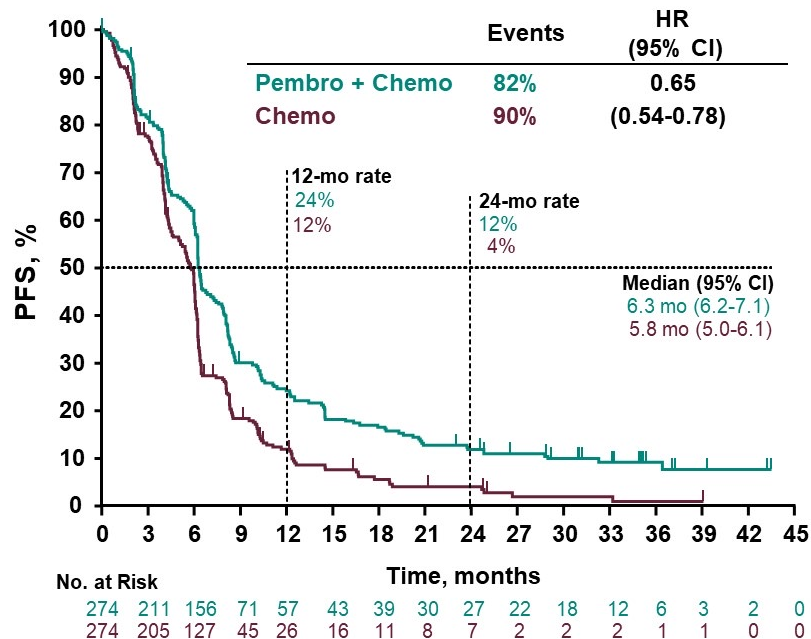
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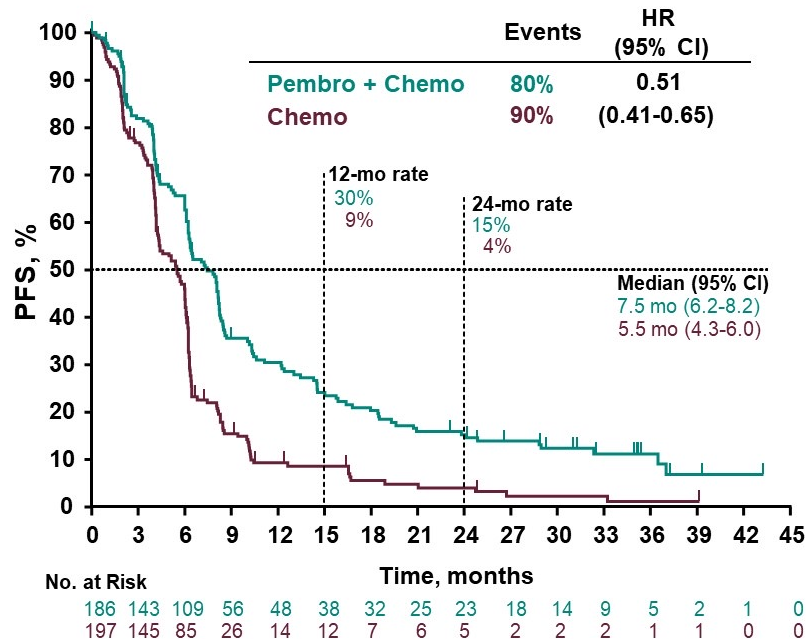
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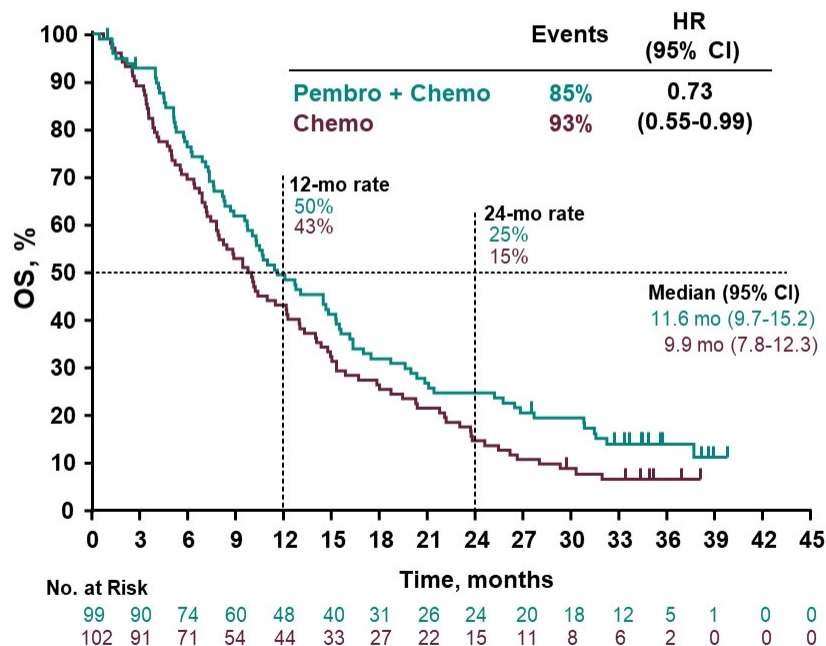


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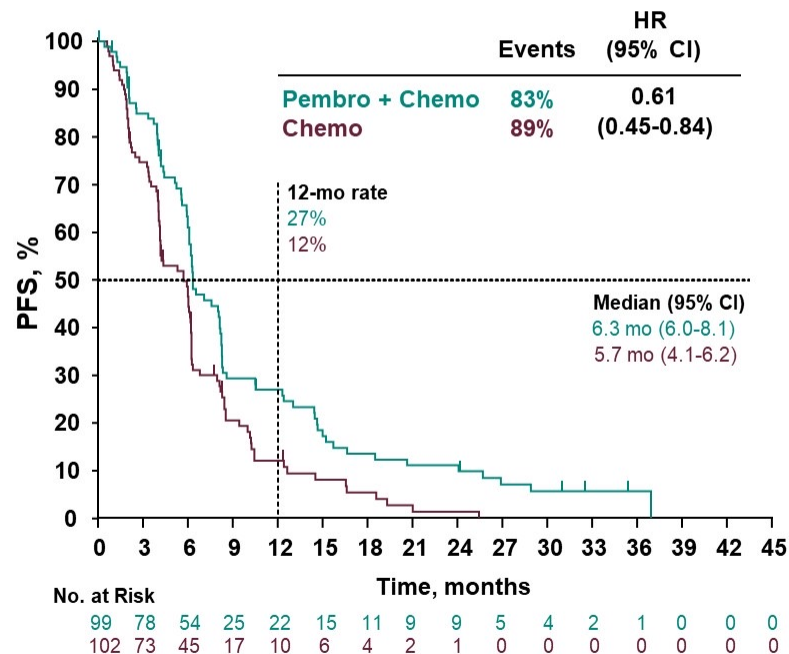


Survival: Adenocarcinoma

OS



PFS



Summary and Conclusions

- With an additional 12 months of follow-up, first-line pembrolizumab plus chemotherapy continued to provide clinically meaningful benefit in all patients with locally advanced and metastatic esophageal cancer including GEJ adenocarcinoma
 - OS: HR 0.73; PFS: HR 0.64 in all patients (12-month follow-up); OS: HR 0.73; PFS: HR 0.65 in all patients (IA1)
 - ORR: 45.0% vs 29.3% (12-month follow-up; IA1)
 - DOR: median 8.3 vs 6.0 months (12-month follow-up; IA1)
- Similar quality of life was maintained with pembrolizumab plus chemotherapy vs chemotherapy
- Comparable safety profile between the two treatment groups
 - No new safety signals detected
- These longer-term data further support first-line pembrolizumab plus chemotherapy as a new standard-of-care in patients with locally advanced and metastatic esophageal cancer including GEJ adenocarcinoma

Nivolumab plus chemotherapy versus chemotherapy as first-line treatment for advanced gastric cancer/gastroesophageal junction cancer/esophageal adenocarcinoma: expanded analyses from 24-month follow-up of CheckMate 649

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CheckMate 649 study design

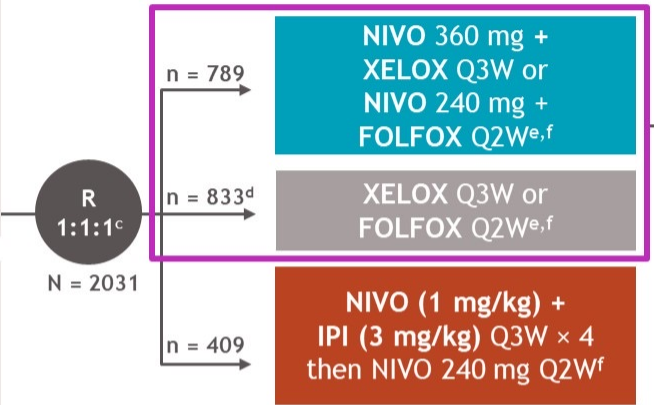
- CheckMate 649 is a randomized, open-label, global phase 3 study^a

Key eligibility criteria

- Previously untreated, unresectable, advanced or metastatic gastric/GEJ/esophageal adenocarcinoma
- No known HER2-positive status
- ECOG PS 0-1

Stratification factors

- Tumor cell PD-L1 expression ($\geq 1\%$ vs $< 1\%$ ^b)
- Region (Asia vs United States/Canada vs ROW)
- ECOG PS (0 vs 1)
- Chemo (XELOX vs FOLFOX)



Dual primary endpoints:

- OS and PFS^g (PD-L1 CPS ≥ 5)

Secondary endpoints:

- OS (PD-L1 CPS ≥ 1 , all randomized)
- OS (PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10)
- PFS^g (PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10 , ≥ 1 , all randomized)
- ORR^g

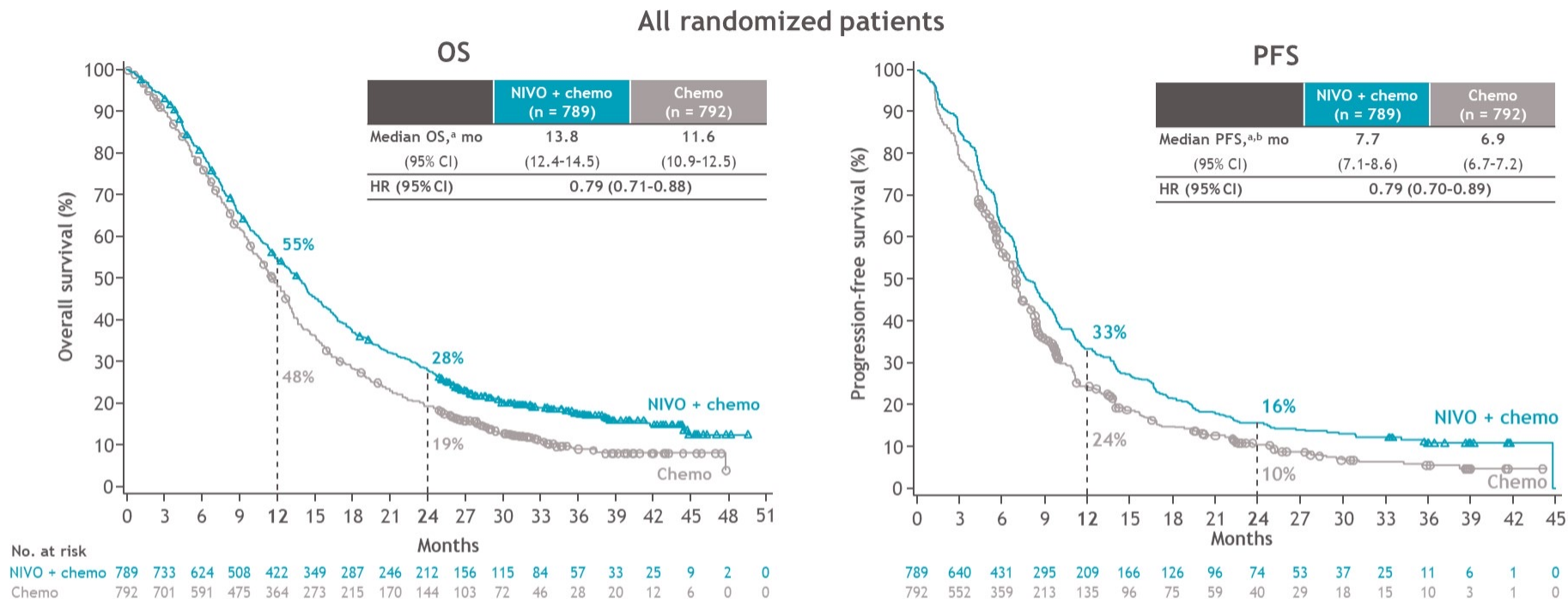
Exploratory endpoints:

- Safety
- QoL

- At data cutoff (May 27, 2021), the minimum follow-up^h was 24.0 months in the NIVO + chemo arm

^aClinicalTrials.gov. NCT02872116; ^bLess than 1% includes indeterminate tumor cell PD-L1 expression; ^cAfter NIVO + chemo arm was added and before new patient enrollment in the NIVO + IPI arm was stopped early (June 5, 2018) based on DMC recommendation; patients already enrolled in the NIVO + IPI arm were allowed to remain on study; ^dIncludes patients concurrently randomized to chemo vs NIVO + IPI (October 2016-June 2018) and to NIVO + chemo (April 2017-April 2019); ^eXELOX: oxaliplatin 130 mg/m² IV (day 1) and capecitabine 1000 mg/m² orally twice daily (days 1-14); FOLFOX: oxaliplatin 85 mg/m², leucovorin 400 mg/m², and FU 400 mg/m² IV (day 1) and FU 1200 mg/m² IV daily (days 1-2); ^fUntil documented disease progression (unless consented to treatment beyond progression for NIVO + chemo or NIVO + IPI), discontinuation due to toxicity, withdrawal of consent, or study end. NIVO is given for a maximum of 2 years; ^gBICR assessed; ^hTime from concurrent randomization of the last patient to clinical data cutoff. Janjigian YY, et al. *Lancet* 2021;398:27-40.

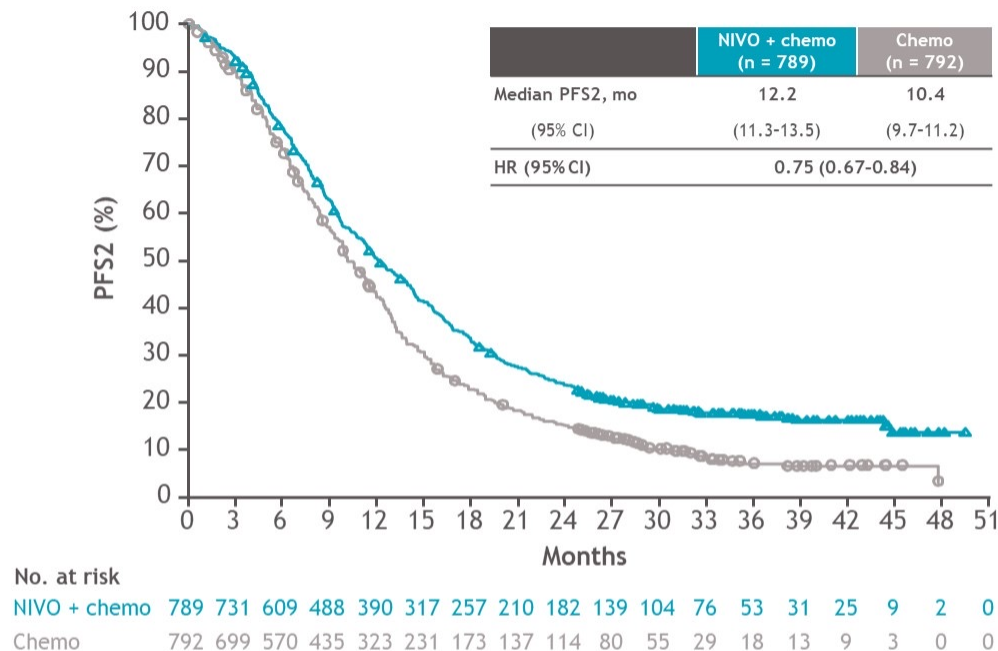
Overall survival and progression-free survival



- Clinically meaningful improvement in OS and PFS with NIVO + chemo vs chemo was maintained with longer follow-up

Progression-free survival 2 (PFS2)

All randomized patients



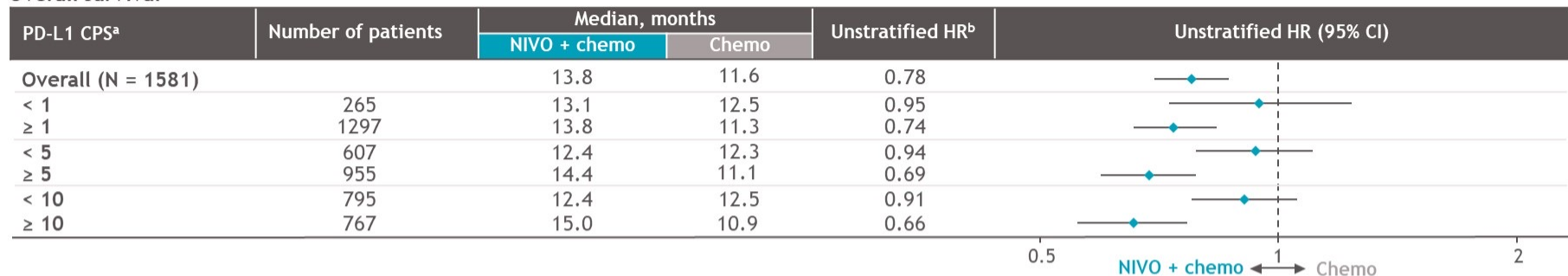
First subsequent therapy, ^a n (%)	NIVO + chemo (n = 789)	Chemo (n = 792)
Any subsequent therapy	325 (41)	346 (44)
Radiotherapy	32 (4)	28 (4)
Surgery	19 (2)	23 (3)
Systemic anticancer therapy ^b	290 (37)	329 (42)
Chemotherapy	267 (34)	297 (38)
Targeted therapy	92 (12)	76 (10)
Immunotherapy	8 (1)	27 (3)

- PFS2 favored NIVO + chemo vs chemo with a 25% reduction in risk of death or disease progression on subsequent therapy

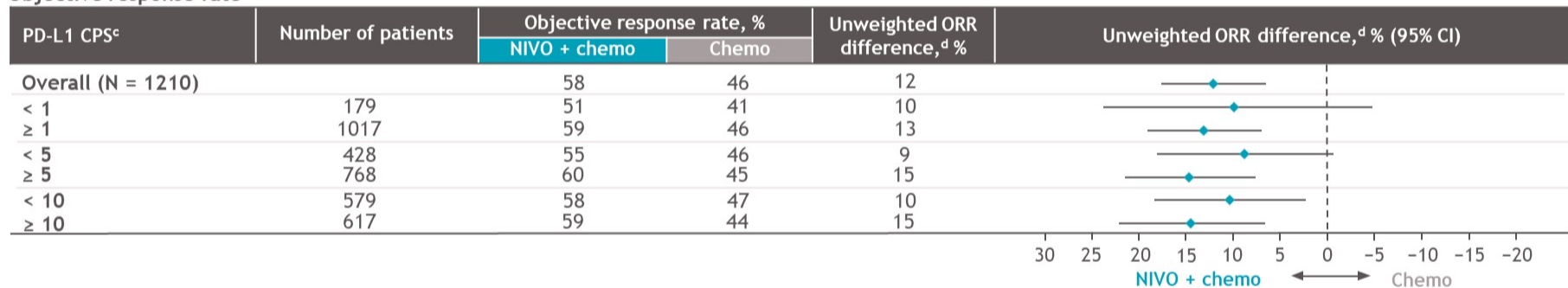
PFS2, progression-free survival on subsequent therapy (time from randomization to progression after subsequent systemic therapy, initiation of second subsequent systemic therapy, or death, whichever was earlier). ^aPatients may have received more than 1 type of subsequent therapy. ^bPatients may receive multiple subsequent systemic therapies, out of which the first subsequent systemic therapies patients received are summarized in this table regardless of their timing relative to the subsequent radiotherapy and surgery.

Efficacy subgroup analysis by PD-L1 CPS

Overall survival



Objective response rate

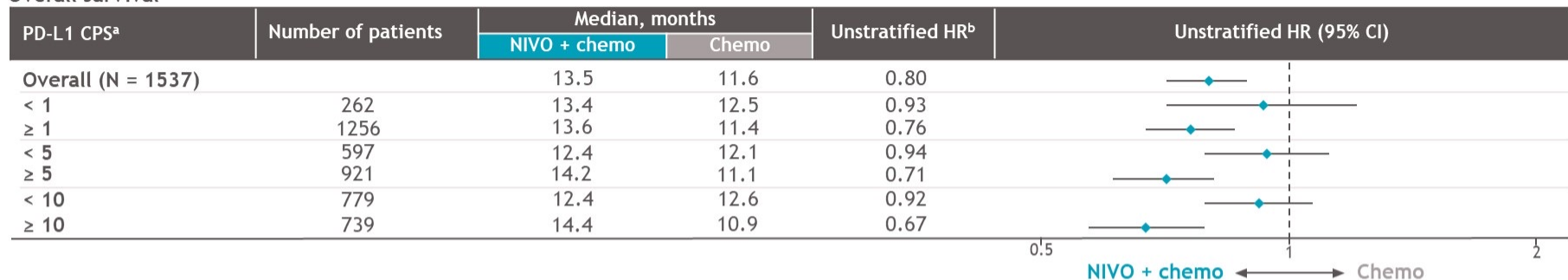


- OS benefit with NIVO + chemo was enriched at higher PD-L1 CPS cutoffs
- ORR was higher across all PD-L1 CPS subgroups vs chemo

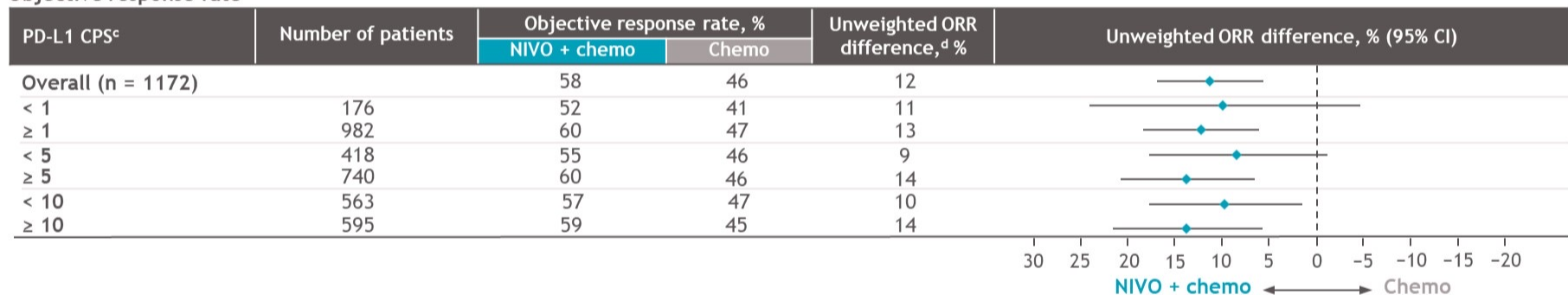
^aPD-L1 CPS expression indeterminate/not evaluable/not reported, n = 19; ^bUnstratified HR for death (OS); ^cRandomized patients who had target lesion measurements at baseline, per BICR. PD-L1 CPS expression indeterminate/not evaluable/not reported, n = 14; ^dPercentages may not reflect an exact difference due to rounding.

Efficacy subgroup analysis by PD-L1 CPS excluding MSI-H

Overall survival



Objective response rate



- OS and ORR benefits were consistent with the all randomized population when excluding patients with MSI-H tumors^e

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Summary

- NIVO + chemo continued to demonstrate clinically meaningful improvement in efficacy vs chemo with an acceptable safety profile with longer follow-up in previously untreated patients with advanced GC/GEJC/EAC
 - Favorable PFS2
 - OS benefit across key subgroups and enriched at higher PD-L1 CPS cutoffs
 - Higher ORR across all evaluated PD-L1 CPS subgroups
 - More deep and more durable responses regardless of PD-L1 CPS ≥ 5 or < 5
 - OS and ORR benefit across PD-L1 CPS subgroups consistent with the all randomized population when excluding patients with MSI-H tumors
 - No new safety signals; TRAEs with potential immunologic etiology resolved in most patients with the use of established management algorithms
- These data further support the use of NIVO + chemo as standard 1L treatment in patients with advanced GC/GEJC/EAC

What did the update tell us more about Keynote-590?

	First pub Data cutoff date July 2020, median follow-up 22 months			Update Data cutoff date July 2021 median follow-up 33 months		
Overall Survival	Median	HR	24-mo rate	Median	HR	24-mo rate
ESCC/PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10 (286)	13.9 vs. 8.8	0.57	31% vs. 15%	13.9 vs. 8.8	0.59	29% vs. 15%
ESCC (548)	12.6 vs. 9.8	0.72	29% vs. 17%	12.6 vs. 9.8	0.73	27% vs 17%
PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10 (383)	13.5 vs. 9.4	0.62	31% vs. 15%	13.6 vs. 9.4	0.64	30% vs. 16%
Adenocarcinoma (201 patients)	11.6 vs. 9.9	0.74	-----	11.6 vs. 9.9	0.73	25% vs. 15%
All patients (749)	12.4 vs. 9.8	0.73	28% vs. 16%	12.4 vs 9.8	0.73	26% vs. 16%
PFS						
All patients (749)	6.3 vs. 5.8	0.65	-----	6.3 vs. 5.8	0.64	12% vs. 3%
ESCC	6.3 vs. 5.8	0.65	-----	6.3 vs. 5.8	0.65	12% vs. 4%
PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10	7.5 vs. 5.5	0.51	-----	7.5 vs.5.5	0.51	15% vs. 4%

What did the update tell use more about Checkmate 649?

	First pub Data cutoff date July 2020, median follow-up 11.1/13 months			Update Data cutoff date May 27 2021 median follow-up 24 months		
Overall Survival	Median (mo)	HR	12-mo rate	Median (mo)	HR	24-mo rate
All patients (1581)	13.8 vs. 11.6	0.80	55% vs. 48%	13.8 vs. 11.6	0.79	28% vs. 19%
PD-L1CPS ≥ 5 (955)	14.4 vs. 11.1	0.71	57% vs. 46%	14.4 vs. 11.1	0.69	-----
PD-L1 CPS ≥ 1 (1297)	14.0 vs. 11.3	0.77	56% vs. 47%	13.8 vs. 11.3	0.74	-----
PD-L1 CPS ≥ 10 (767)				15 vs. 10.9	0.66	-----
PFS						
All patients	7.7 vs. 6.9	0.77	33% vs. 23%	7.7 vs. 6.9	0.79	16% vs. 10%
PD-L1 CPS ≥ 5	7.7 vs. 6.0	0.68	36% vs. 22%	-----	-----	
PD-L1 CPS ≥ 1	7.5 vs. 6.9	0.74	34% vs. 22%	-----	-----	-----
PD-L1CPS ≥ 10						

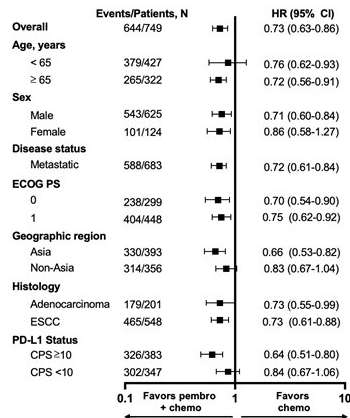
Does PD-L1 CPS matter?

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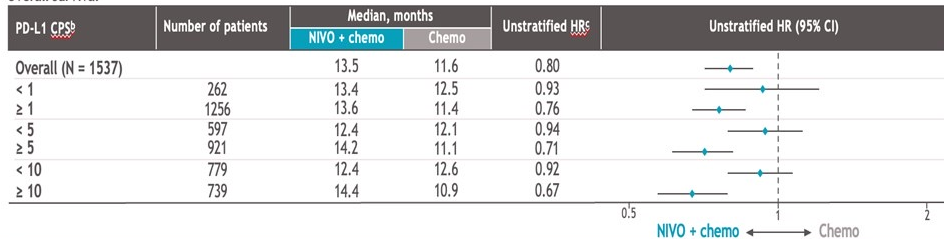
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OS in Key Subgroups: All Patients



Efficacy subgroup analysis excluding patients with MSI-H tumors^a

Overall survival



In reality, the benefit may only be driven by a specific subpopulation. For instance, if we say that patients with PD-L1 CPS ≥1 (1256) have a benefit with immunotherapy we have to consider that they include also patients with PD-L1 ≥ 5 (921) or 10 (739).

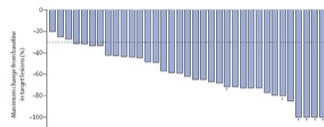
Pembrolizumab Plus Trastuzumab and Chemotherapy for HER2+ Metastatic Gastric or Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer: Initial Findings of the Global Phase 3 KEYNOTE-811 Study

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Background

- Standard first-line therapy for HER2-positive metastatic gastric or gastroesophageal junction (G/GEJ) cancer is trastuzumab (anti-HER2) with a fluoropyrimidine and a platinum
- Phase 2 data suggested antitumor activity and manageable safety for adding pembrolizumab (anti-PD-1) to trastuzumab and chemotherapy
 - MSKCC study (N = 37): 91% ORR, 100% DCR, 70% 6-mo PFS, 80% 12-mo OS
 - PANTHERA (N = 43): 77% ORR, 98% DCR, 77% 6-mo PFS, 77% 12-mo OS

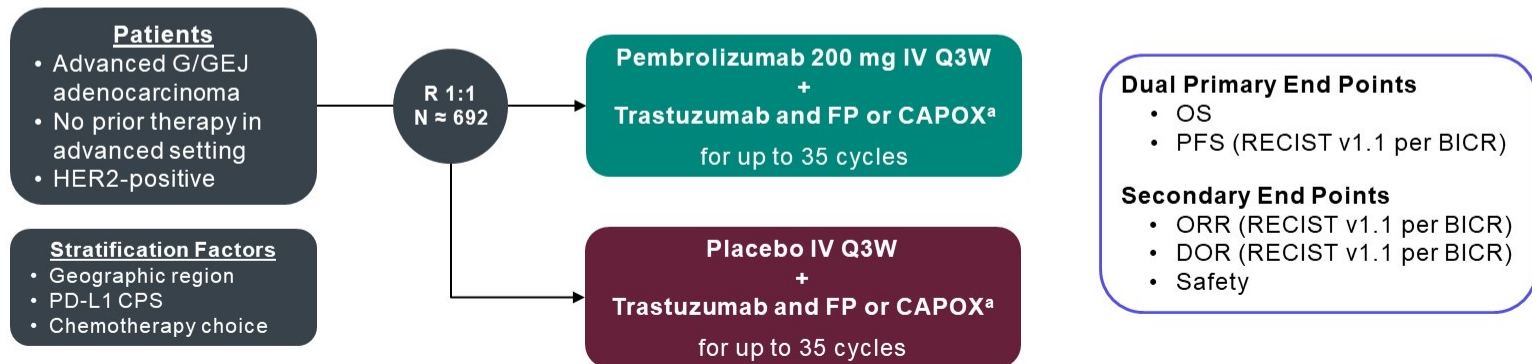


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KEYNOTE-811 Global Cohort

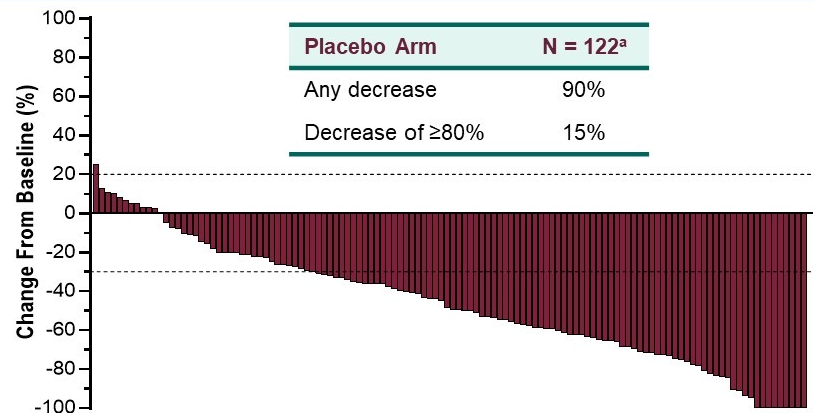
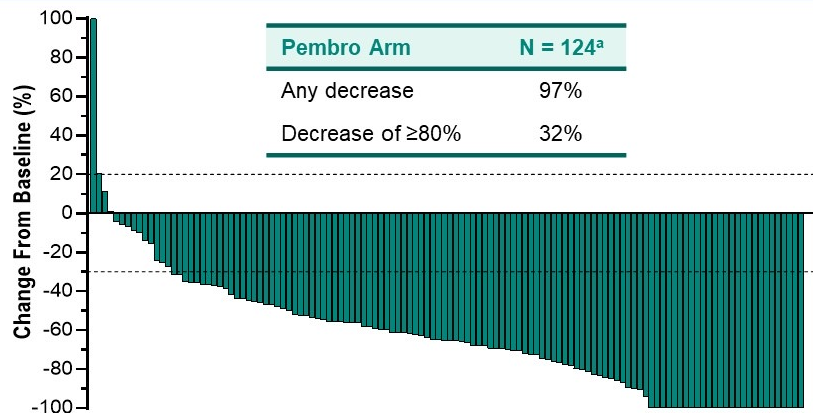
Double-Blind Phase 3 Study of Pembrolizumab + Trastuzumab and Chemotherapy vs Placebo + Trastuzumab and Chemotherapy as First-Line Therapy For HER2-Positive Unresectable or Metastatic G/GEJ Cancer (NCT03615326)



^aTrastuzumab dose: 6 mg/kg IV Q3W following an 8 mg/kg loading dose. FP dose: 5-fluorouracil 800 mg/m² IV on D1-5 Q3W + cisplatin 80 mg/m² IV Q3W. CAPOX dose: capecitabine 1000 mg/m² BID on D1-14 Q3W + oxaliplatin 130 mg/m² IV Q3W.

BICR, blinded independent central review; CPS, combined positive score (number of PD-L1–staining cells [tumor cells, lymphocytes, macrophages] divided by the total number of viable tumor cells, multiplied by 100).

Confirmed Response at IA1



ORR and DCR, % (95% CI)	Pembro Arm (N = 133)	Placebo Arm (N = 131)
ORR	74.4% (66.2-81.6)	51.9% (43.0-60.7)
ORR difference^b	22.7% (11.2-33.7) P = 0.00006	
DCR	96.2% (91.4-98.8)	89.3% (82.7-94.0)

Best Response, n (%)	Pembro Arm (N = 133)	Placebo Arm (N = 131)
CR	15 (11%)	4 (3%)
PR	84 (63%)	64 (49%)
SD	29 (22%)	49 (37%)
PD	5 (4%)	7 (5%)
Not evaluable	0	2 (2%)
Not assessed	0	5 (4%)

Duration of Response ^c	Pembro Arm (N = 99)	Placebo Arm (N = 68)
Median ^d	10.6 mo	9.5 mo
Range	1.1+ to 16.5+	1.4+ to 15.4+
≥6-mo duration ^d	70.3%	61.4%
≥9-mo duration ^d	58.4%	51.1%

^aParticipants with RECIST-measurable disease at baseline and ≥1 post-baseline measurement evaluable for change from baseline in target lesions. ^bCalculated using the Miettinen and Nurminen method stratified by the randomization stratification factors. ^cCalculated in participants with best response of CR or PR. ^dKaplan-Meier estimation. The treatment regimen in both arms included trastuzumab and chemotherapy. Data cutoff date: June 17, 2020.

Summary of KEYNOTE-811 IA1

- Pembrolizumab plus trastuzumab and chemotherapy provided a 74.4% ORR that resulted in a statistically significant, clinically meaningful 22.7% improvement in ORR compared with placebo plus trastuzumab and chemotherapy
- Responses to pembrolizumab plus trastuzumab and chemotherapy were deeper and more durable
- AE incidence was similar between arms, and the observed AEs were as expected with no new safety concerns identified
- Study is continuing as planned, and analyses of OS and PFS will be performed in the future in accordance with the analysis plan

Key Takeaway

- Pembrolizumab plus trastuzumab and chemotherapy is a potential new treatment option for previously untreated, unresectable or metastatic, HER2-positive gastric or gastroesophageal junction cancer

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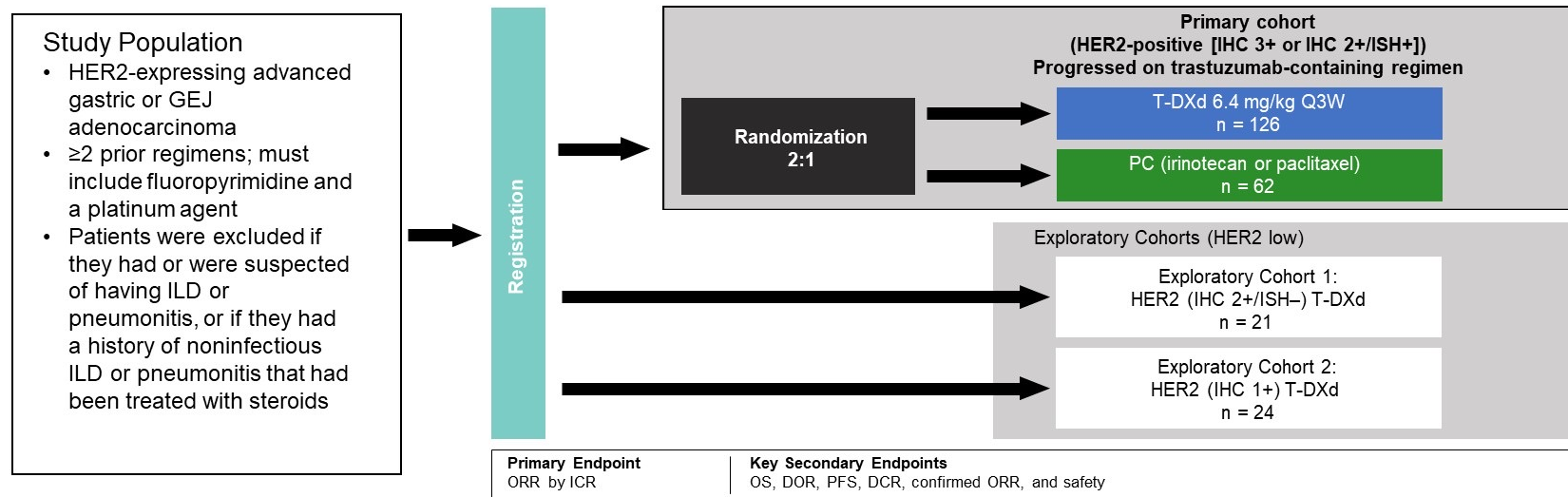
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DESTINY-Gastric01 Study Design

An open-label, multicenter phase 2 study (NCT03329690)



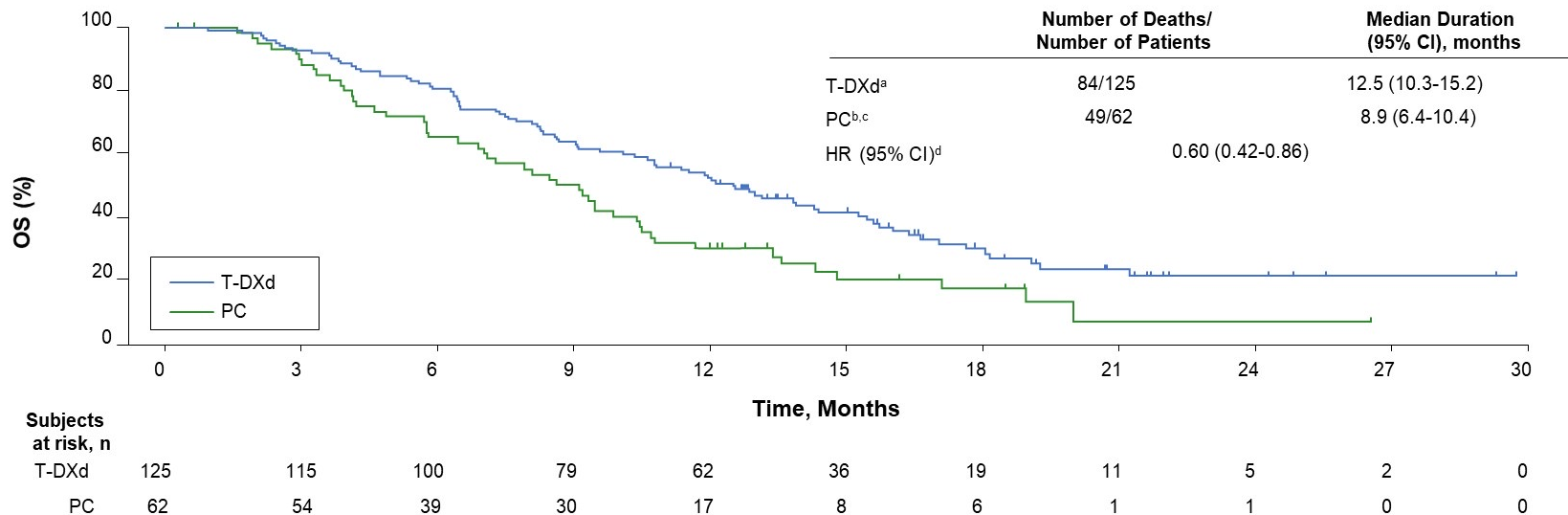
- Patients were stratified by country, ECOG PS score, and HER2 status
- In the primary analysis (data cutoff: Nov 8, 2019; 101 OS events; median survival follow-up, 12.3 months), T-DXd showed statistically significant benefit vs standard chemotherapy in ORR and OS
- Key secondary endpoint of OS was to be statistically evaluated hierarchically if the primary endpoint was statistically significant
- Data cutoff: June 3, 2020 (133 OS events; median survival follow-up: 18.5 months)

DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; GEJ, gastroesophageal junction; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; ICR, independent central review; IHC, immunohistochemistry; ILD, interstitial lung disease; ISH, in situ hybridization; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PC, physician's choice; PFS, progression-free survival; Q3W, every 3 weeks; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan. Shitara K et al. Trastuzumab deruxtecan in previously treated HER2-positive gastric cancer. *N Engl J Med*. 2020;382:2419-2430.



Overall Survival

Kaplan-Meier Analysis of OS



As in the primary analysis (101 OS events; 54.0% maturity), in this updated analysis (133 OS events; 71.1% maturity), T-DXd showed superior antitumor activity compared to PC

HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; PC, physician's choice; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxetecan.

^aIn the T-DXd arm, 41 patients (32.8%) were censored.

^bIn the PC arm, 13 patients (21.0%) were censored.

^c1 patient in the PC arm received crossover treatment of T-DXd.

^dHR and corresponding 95% CI were estimated using Cox proportional hazards model stratified by region.