

# Immunotherapy and Targeted therapy in Colon Cancer

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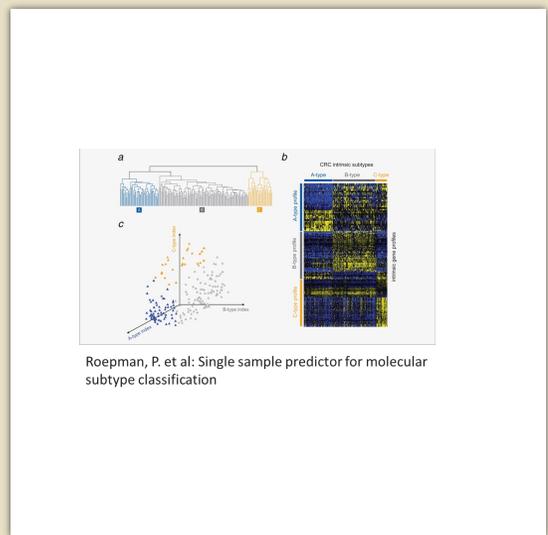
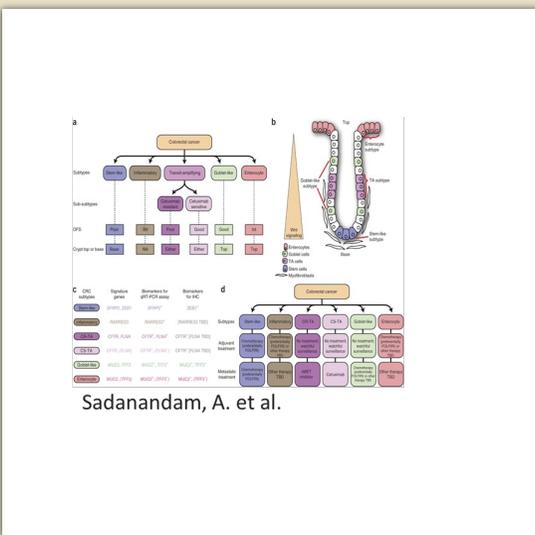
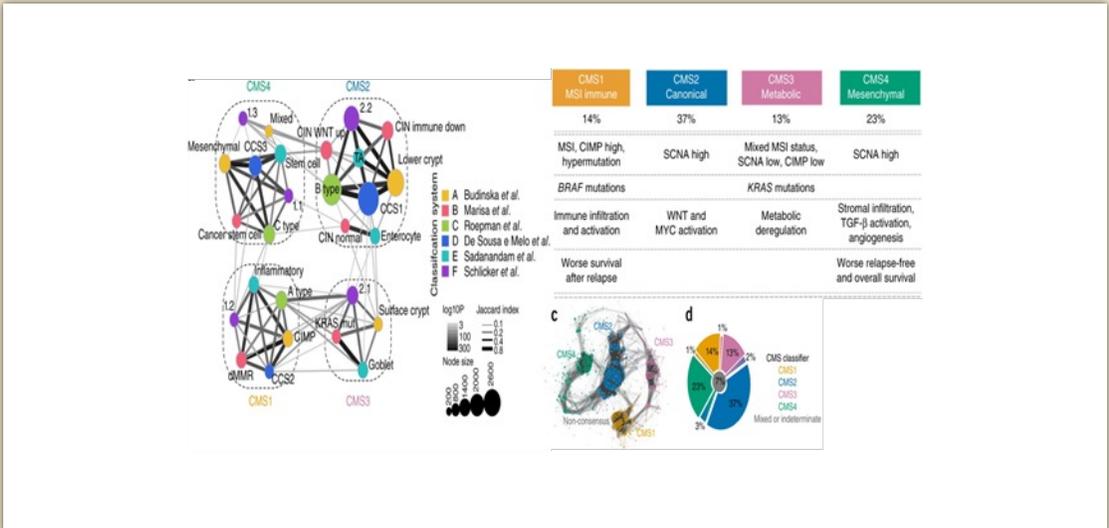
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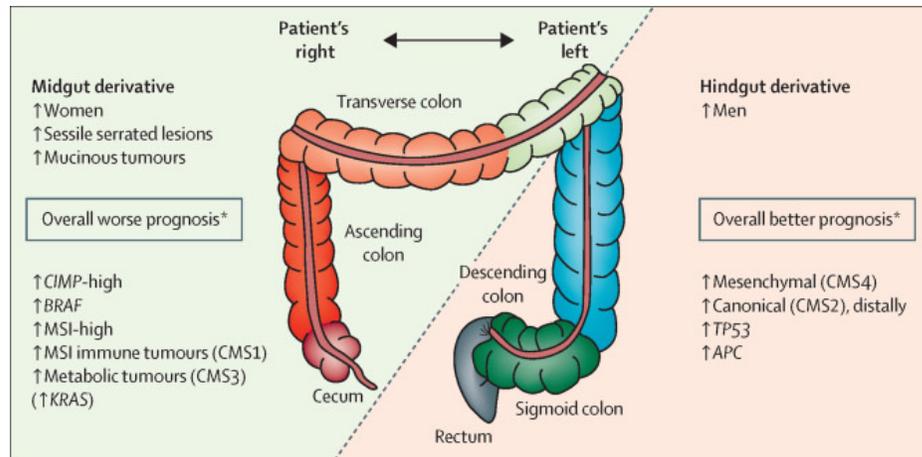
# CRC classifications

◦ Guinney J. et al : **The consensus molecular subtypes of colorectal cancer**

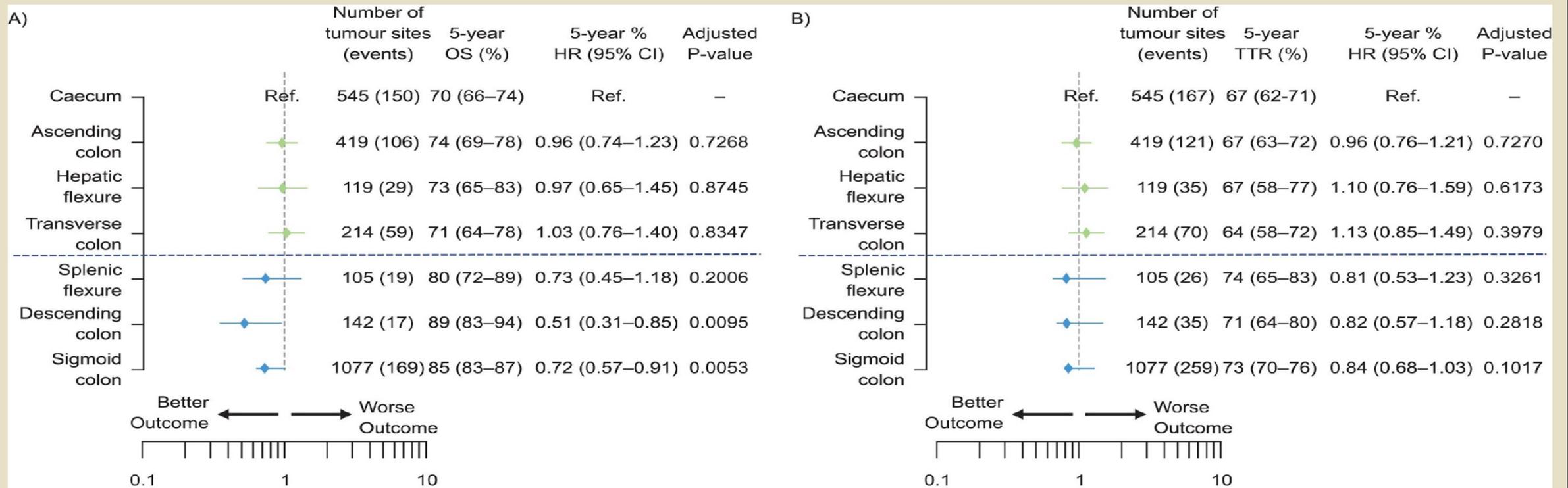


# Sidedness in Colon Cancer

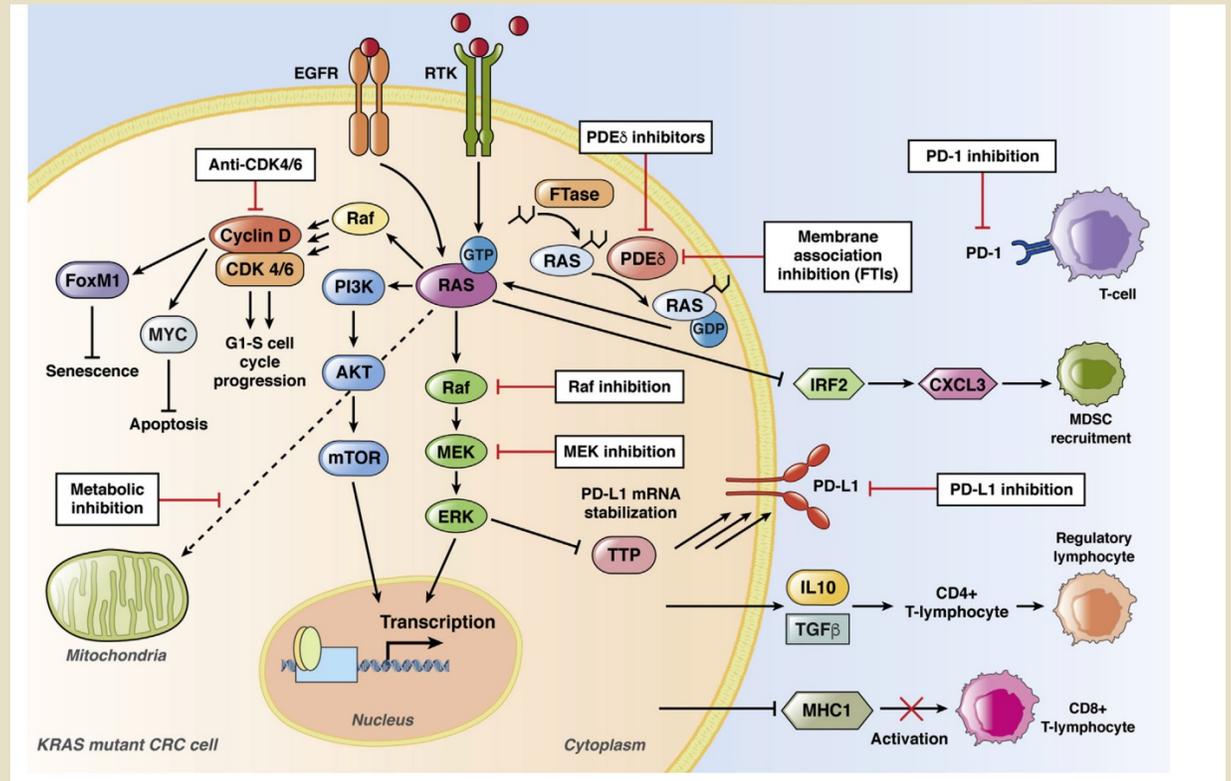
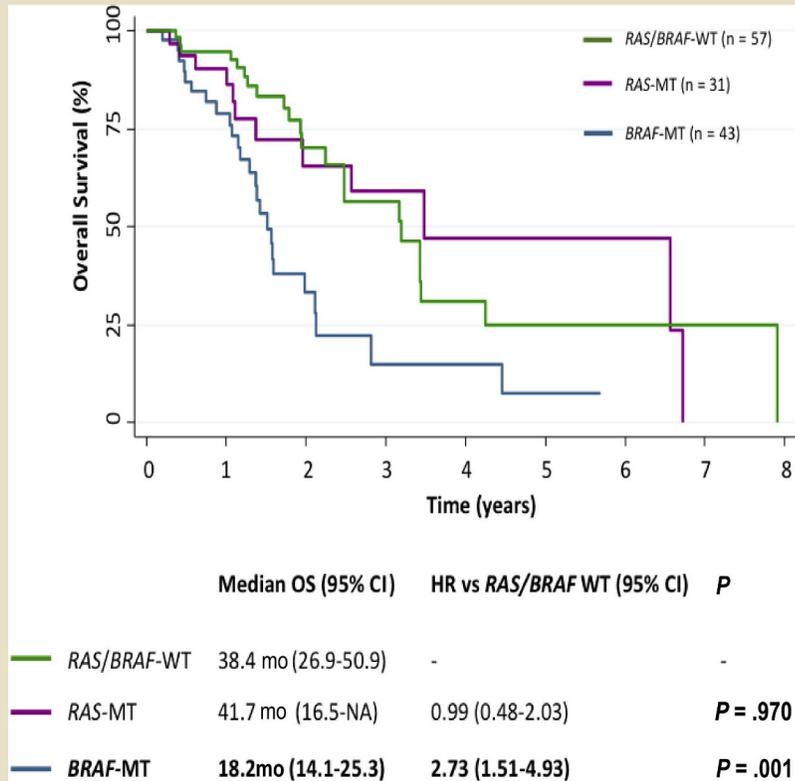
- Dekker et al, *Lancet* 2019



# Clinical outcomes of patients with stage III CRC according to tumor localization



## Survival Based on RAS-RAF Mutations in advanced stage CRC



**Her2/neu**  
~4-6%

*Clinical Colorectal Cancer* 2018 17, e69-e76DOI: (10.1016/j.clcc.2017.10.006  
 Dienstman et al. Precision Therapy in RAS Mutant Colorectal Cancer.  
*Gastroenterology* 2020 Mar;158(4):806-811

**Table 1. Efficacy Results for RAS Wild-Type CRYSTAL and FIRE-3 Study Patients, Stratified Based on Treatment Arm**

Parameter	CRYSTAL				FIRE-3			
	FOLFIRI + Cetuximab		FOLFIRI		FOLFIRI + Cetuximab		FOLFIRI + Bevacizumab	
	Right-Sided Tumors (n = 33)	Left-Sided Tumors (n = 142)	Right-Sided Tumors (n = 51)	Left-Sided Tumors (n = 138)	Right-Sided Tumors (n = 38)	Left-Sided Tumors (n = 157)	Right-Sided Tumors (n = 50)	Left-Sided Tumors (n = 149)
<b>ORR</b>								
Rate, %	42.4	72.5	33.3	40.6	52.6	68.8	50.0	61.7
Odds ratio (95% CI)	3.55 (1.63-7.75)		1.39 (0.70-2.76)		1.98 (0.97-4.08)		1.61 (0.85-3.08)	
P value	<.001		.34		.09		.18	
<b>PFS</b>								
Median, mo	8.1	12.0	7.1	8.9	7.6	10.7	9.0	10.7
HR (95% CI)	1.77 (1.08-2.91)		1.54 (0.96-2.46)		2.00 (1.36-2.93)		1.38 (0.99-1.94)	
P value	.02		.07		<.001		.06	
<b>OS</b>								

Tejpar. JAMA Oncol. 2017;3(2):194-201. doi:10.1001/jamaoncol.2016.3797

**Anti-EGFR Therapy in wild type Colorectal cancer**

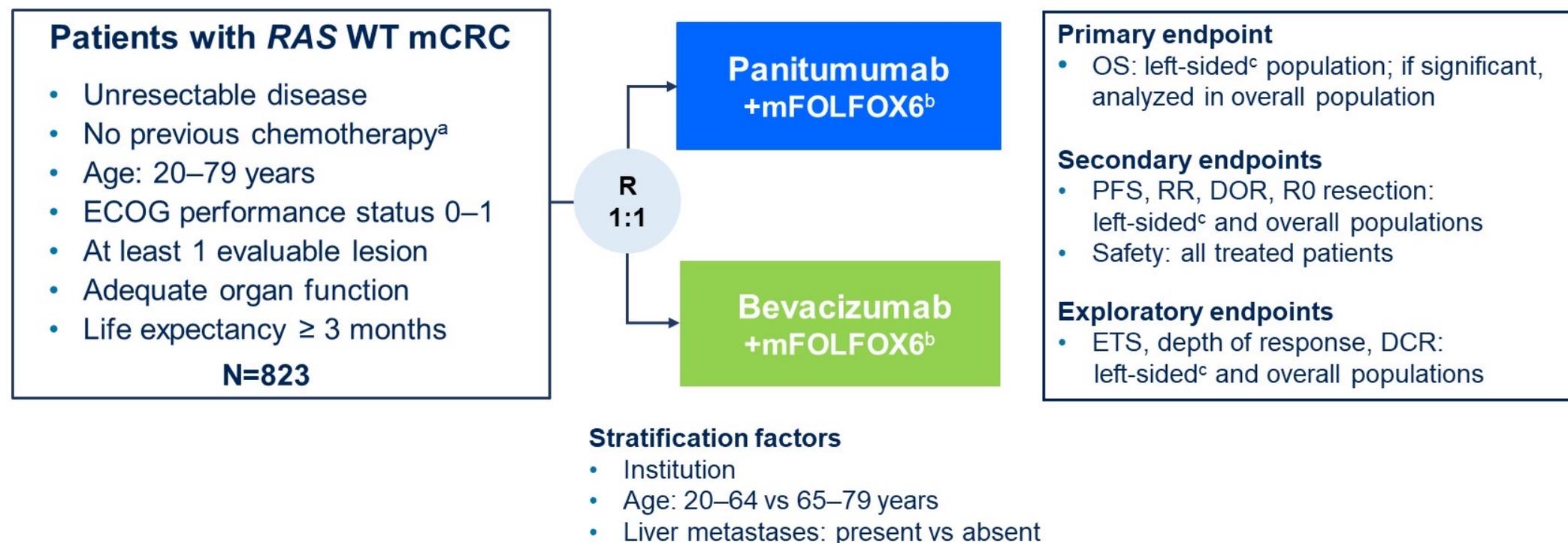
# Panitumumab plus mFOLFOX6 versus Bevacizumab plus mFOLFOX6 as first-line treatment in patients with *RAS* wild-type metastatic colorectal cancer: results from the phase 3 PARADIGM trial

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# PARADIGM Trial Design

Phase 3, randomized, open-label, multicenter study (NCT02394795)



DCR, disease control rate; DOR; duration of response; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; ETS, early tumor shrinkage; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression free survival; RR, response rate; R0, curative resection; WT, wild type.

<sup>a</sup>Adjuvant fluoropyrimidine monotherapy allowed if completed > 6 months before enrollment. <sup>b</sup>Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, withdrawal of consent or investigator's judgement or curative intent resection.

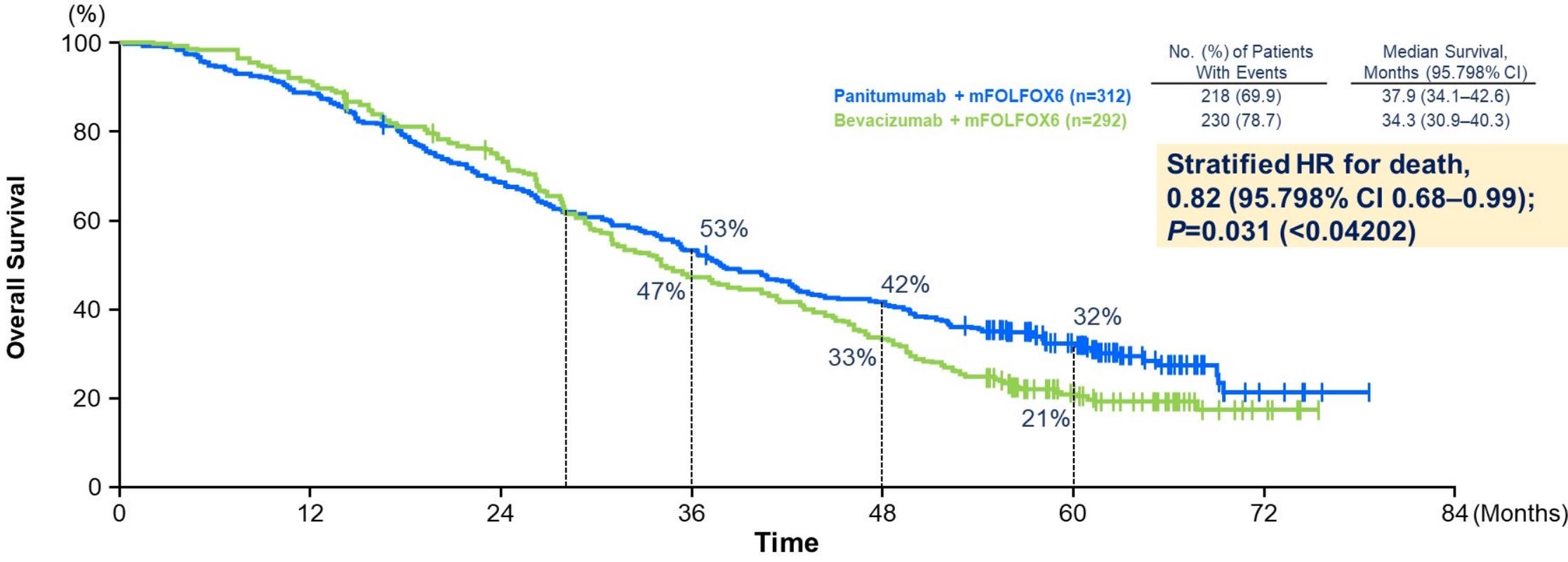
<sup>c</sup>Primary tumor in descending colon, sigmoid colon, rectosigmoid, and rectum.

# Baseline Patient Characteristics

Characteristic	Left-sided Population		Overall Population	
	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=312)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=292)	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=400)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=402)
<b>Age category, n (%)</b>				
20–64 years	138 (44.2)	127 (43.5)	164 (41.0)	168 (41.8)
65–79 years	174 (55.8)	165 (56.5)	236 (59.0)	234 (58.2)
<b>Sex, female, n (%)</b>	104 (33.3)	91 (31.2)	148 (37.0)	134 (33.3)
<b>ECOG performance status, n (%)</b>				
0	261 (83.7)	231 (79.1)	328 (82.0)	319 (79.4)
1	51 (16.3)	61 (20.9)	71 (17.8)	83 (20.6)
<b>Primary tumor location, n (%)<sup>a</sup></b>				
Left-sided	312 (100.0)	292 (100.0)	312 (78.0)	292 (72.6)
Right-sided	0	0	84 (21.0)	103 (25.6)
<b>Number of metastatic organs, n (%)</b>				
1	155 (49.7)	147 (50.3)	196 (49.0)	194 (48.3)
≥2	157 (50.3)	145 (49.7)	204 (51.0)	208 (51.7)
<b>Metastatic site, n (%)</b>				
Liver	225 (72.1)	206 (70.5)	275 (68.8)	278 (69.2)
Liver as only site of metastasis	90 (28.8)	89 (30.5)	105 (26.3)	113 (28.1)
<b>Prior treatment, n (%)</b>				
Primary tumor resection	185 (59.3)	193 (66.1)	239 (59.8)	272 (67.7)
Radiotherapy	2 (0.6)	2 (0.7)	2 (0.5)	3 (0.7)
Adjuvant chemotherapy <sup>b</sup>	17 (5.4)	16 (5.5)	22 (5.5)	20 (5.0)

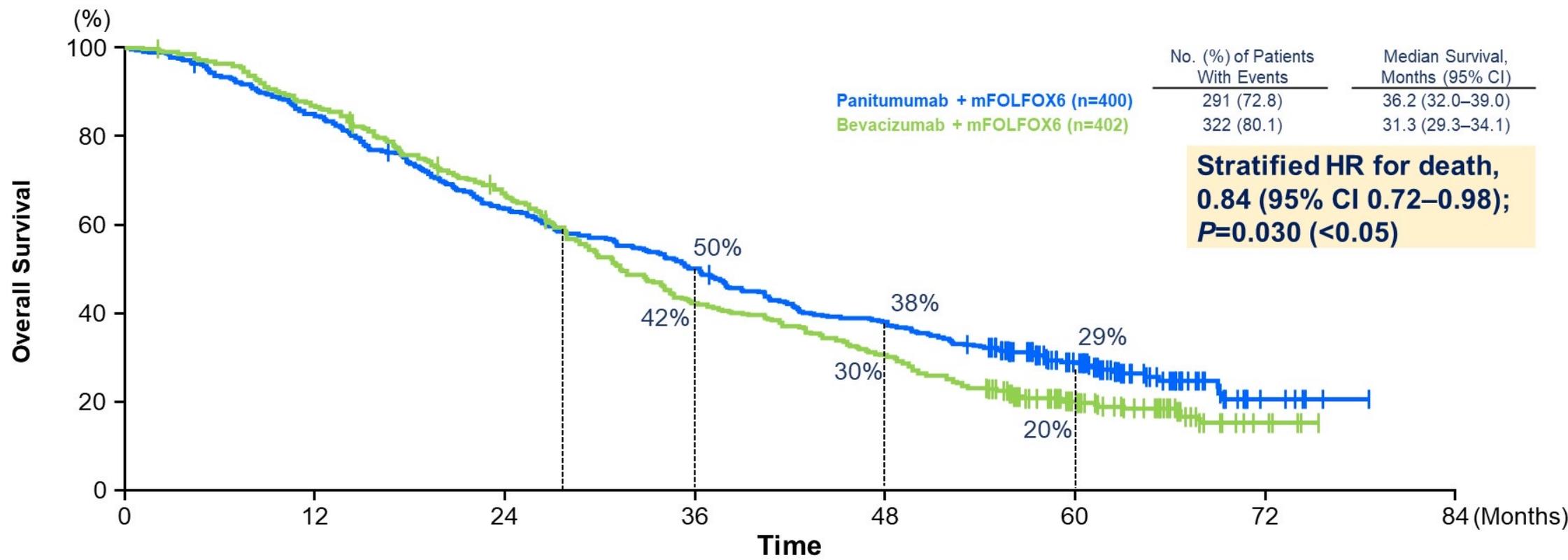
<sup>a</sup> 4 patients receiving panitumumab and 7 patients receiving bevacizumab had multiple primary lesions in both the left-sided and right-sided. <sup>b</sup> Adjuvant fluoropyrimidine monotherapy allowed if completed > 6 months before enrollment.

# Primary Endpoint-1; Overall Survival in Left-sided Population



No. at risk	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84 (Months)
Panitumumab	312	276	213	166	129	68	5	0
Bevacizumab	292	266	212	136	96	40	5	0

# Primary Endpoint-2; Overall Survival in Overall Population



No. (%) of Patients With Events	Median Survival, Months (95% CI)
291 (72.8)	36.2 (32.0–39.0)
322 (80.1)	31.3 (29.3–34.1)

No. at risk	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84
Panitumumab	400	338	253	199	150	80	6	0
Bevacizumab	402	348	265	166	119	54	5	0

# Other Efficacy Outcomes

Parameter	Left-sided Population		Overall Population	
	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=308)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=287)	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=394)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=397)
<b>Response rate, % (95% CI)</b>	80.2 (75.3–84.5)	68.6 (62.9–74.0)	74.9 (70.3–79.1)	67.3 (62.4–71.9)
<b>Difference, % (95% CI)</b>	11.2 (4.4–17.9)		7.7 (1.5–13.8)	
<b>DCR, % (95% CI)</b>	97.4 (94.9–98.9)	96.5 (93.7–98.3)	94.9 (92.3–96.9)	95.5 (92.9–97.3)
<b>Median DOR,<sup>a</sup> months (95% CI)</b>	13.1 (11.1–14.8)	11.2 (9.6–13.1)	11.9 (10.5–13.4)	10.7 (9.5–12.2)
<b>R0 rate,<sup>b</sup> % (95% CI)</b>	18.3 (14.1–23.0)	11.6 (8.2–15.9]	16.5 (13.0–20.5)	10.9 (8.1–17.1)

RR, response rate; DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; R0, curative resection.

<sup>a</sup> DOR was evaluated in patients with complete or partial response.

<sup>b</sup> R0 rate was evaluated in all the patients of efficacy analysis population (left-sided: n=312 for panitumumab and n=292 for bevacizumab; overall: n=400 and 402, respectively).

# Summary of Adverse Events

Adverse Event, n (%)	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=404)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=407)
Any adverse event	402 (99.5)	399 (98.0)
Grade $\geq$ 3 adverse events	290 (71.8)	264 (64.9)
Serious adverse events related to study treatment	72 (17.8)	44 (10.8)
Adverse events leading to discontinuation of study treatment	96 (23.8)	75 (18.4)

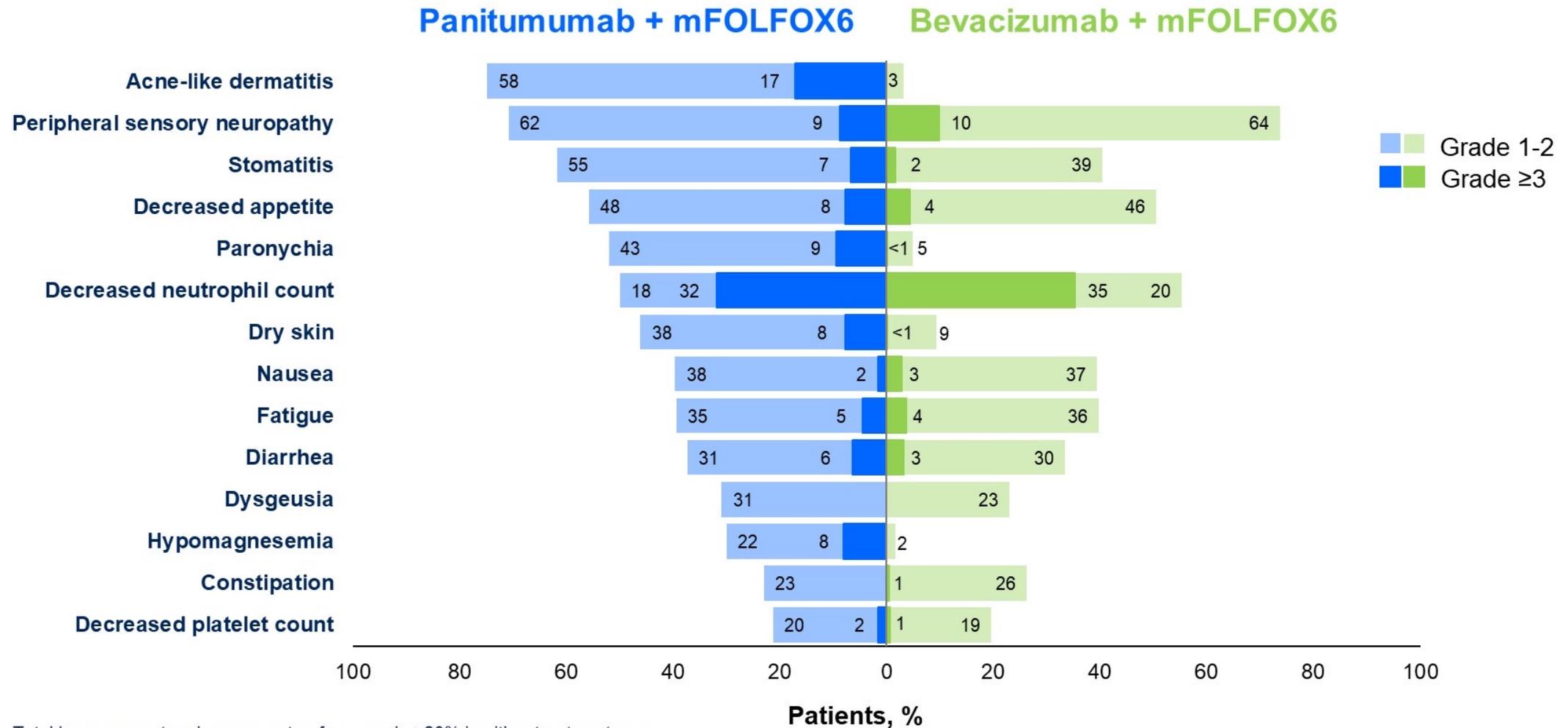
No new safety signals were observed.

Treatment-related deaths:

Panitumumab (n=10), 4 with interstitial lung disease and 1 patient each with lung disorder, pneumonia, pneumonitis, pneumonia and pancytopenia, sepsis and peritonitis, and cerebral hemorrhage

Bevacizumab (n=2), 1 with respiratory failure and 1 was not specified

# Adverse Events Reported in $\geq 20\%$ of Patients

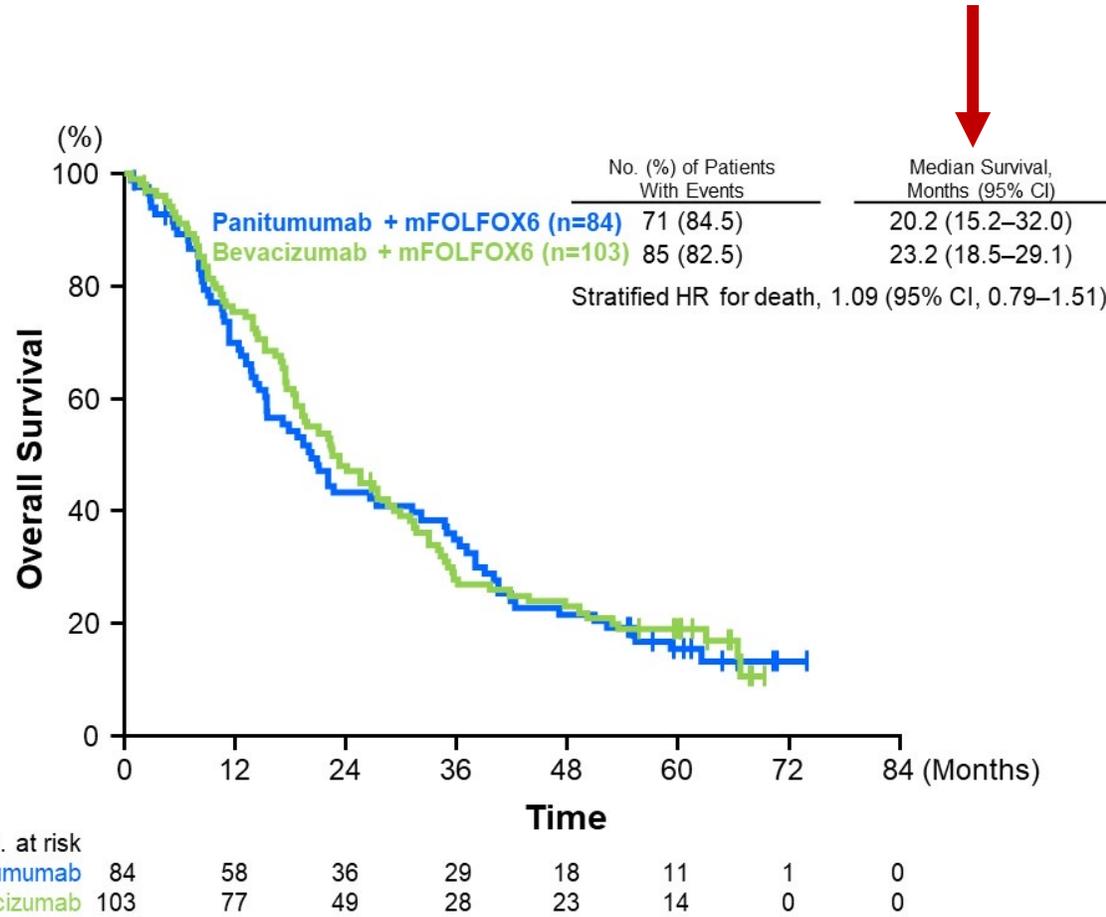


# Subsequent Systemic Treatment

	Left-sided Population		Overall Population	
	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=312)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=292)	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=400)	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=402)
<b>Patients receiving subsequent line of therapy, n (%)</b>				
Second-line therapy	253 (81.1)	241 (82.5)	321 (80.3)	329 (81.8)
Third-line therapy	195 (62.5)	190 (65.1)	242 (60.5)	261 (64.9)
Fourth-line therapy	130 (41.7)	139 (47.6)	160 (40.0)	185 (46.0)
<b>Post-study treatment during any lines of therapy</b>				
<b>Cytotoxic Agents</b>				
Fluoropyrimidine	232 (74.4)	222 (76.0)	293 (73.3)	300 (74.6)
Irinotecan	191 (61.2)	190 (65.1)	245 (61.3)	258 (64.2)
Oxaliplatin	81 (26.0)	60 (20.5)	99 (24.8)	77 (19.2)
<b>VEGF inhibitor</b>	<b>168 (53.8)</b>	<b>166 (56.8)</b>	<b>224 (56.0)</b>	<b>227 (56.5)</b>
Bevacizumab	139 (44.6)	148 (50.7)	185 (46.3)	192 (47.8)
Ramucirumab	32 (10.3)	26 (8.9)	44 (11.0)	46 (11.4)
Aflibercept	20 (6.4)	13 (4.5)	25 (6.3)	26 (6.5)
<b>EGFR inhibitor</b>	<b>97 (31.1)</b>	<b>160 (54.8)</b>	<b>123 (30.8)</b>	<b>222 (55.2)</b>
<b>Panitumumab</b>	82 (26.3)	134 (45.9)	101 (25.3)	183 (45.5)
<b>Cetuximab</b>	17 (5.4)	36 (12.3)	24 (6.0)	49 (12.2)
<b>Trifluridine/tipiracil hydrochloride</b>	69 (22.1)	77 (26.4)	90 (22.5)	95 (23.6)
<b>Regorafenib</b>	25 (8.0)	33 (11.3)	37 (9.3)	44 (10.9)

Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 therapies, ipilimumab, and BRAF/MEK inhibitors were used in a few patients.

# OS and Subgroup Analysis in Right-sided Population



Subgroup	Events/Patients		Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6	
<b>Overall*</b>	71/84	85/103	1.09 (0.79-1.51)
<b>Age</b>	20-64 yr	22/26	1.26 (0.73-2.17)
	65-79 yr	49/58	0.97 (0.66-1.44)
<b>Sex</b>	Male	37/41	1.04 (0.68-1.60)
	Female	34/43	1.08 (0.67-1.74)
<b>ECOG PS</b>	0	54/65	0.96 (0.67-1.37)
	1	16/18	1.33 (0.66-2.67)
<b>No. of organs with metastasis</b>	0-1	31/40	1.27 (0.77-2.10)
	≥2	40/44	0.94 (0.63-1.42)
<b>Liver metastasis</b>	No	26/35	0.87 (0.51-1.49)
	Yes	45/49	1.23 (0.83-1.83)
<b>Organs with metastasis</b>	Liver only	13/14	1.66 (0.79-3.50)
	Other	58/70	0.93 (0.66-1.32)
<b>Primary tumor resection</b>	No	30/33	0.87 (0.51-1.45)
	Yes	41/51	1.09 (0.73-1.63)

\*Stratified Hazard Ratio is shown with 95% CI.

Legend: Panitumumab Better (left), Bevacizumab Better (right)

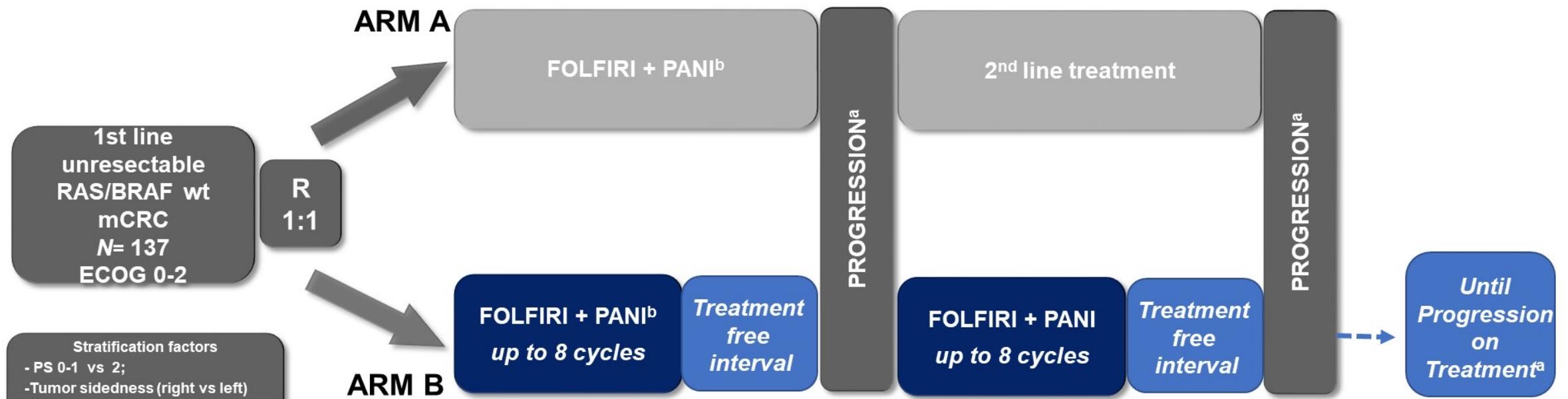
## Randomized intermittent or continuous panitumumab plus FOLFIRI (FOLFIRI/PANI) for first-line treatment of patients (pts) with RAS/BRAF wild-type (wt) metastatic colorectal cancer (mCRC): the IMPROVE study.

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# IMPROVE study design

- IMPROVE is a randomized, non-comparative, open-label, multicenter phase 2 study



- Tumor assessment was always done every 8 weeks in both arms

- At data cutoff (April 22, 2022), the minimum follow-up was 10 months<sup>c</sup>

ClinicalTrials.gov.NCT04425239; <sup>a</sup>or until unacceptable toxicity or withdrawal consent; <sup>b</sup>Irinotecan 180 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, folinic acid 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, fluorouracil bolus 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> followed by 2400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> continuous infusion over 46 hours plus panitumumab 6 mg/kg on day 1 every 2 weeks; <sup>c</sup>Time from randomization of the last patient to clinical data cutoff.

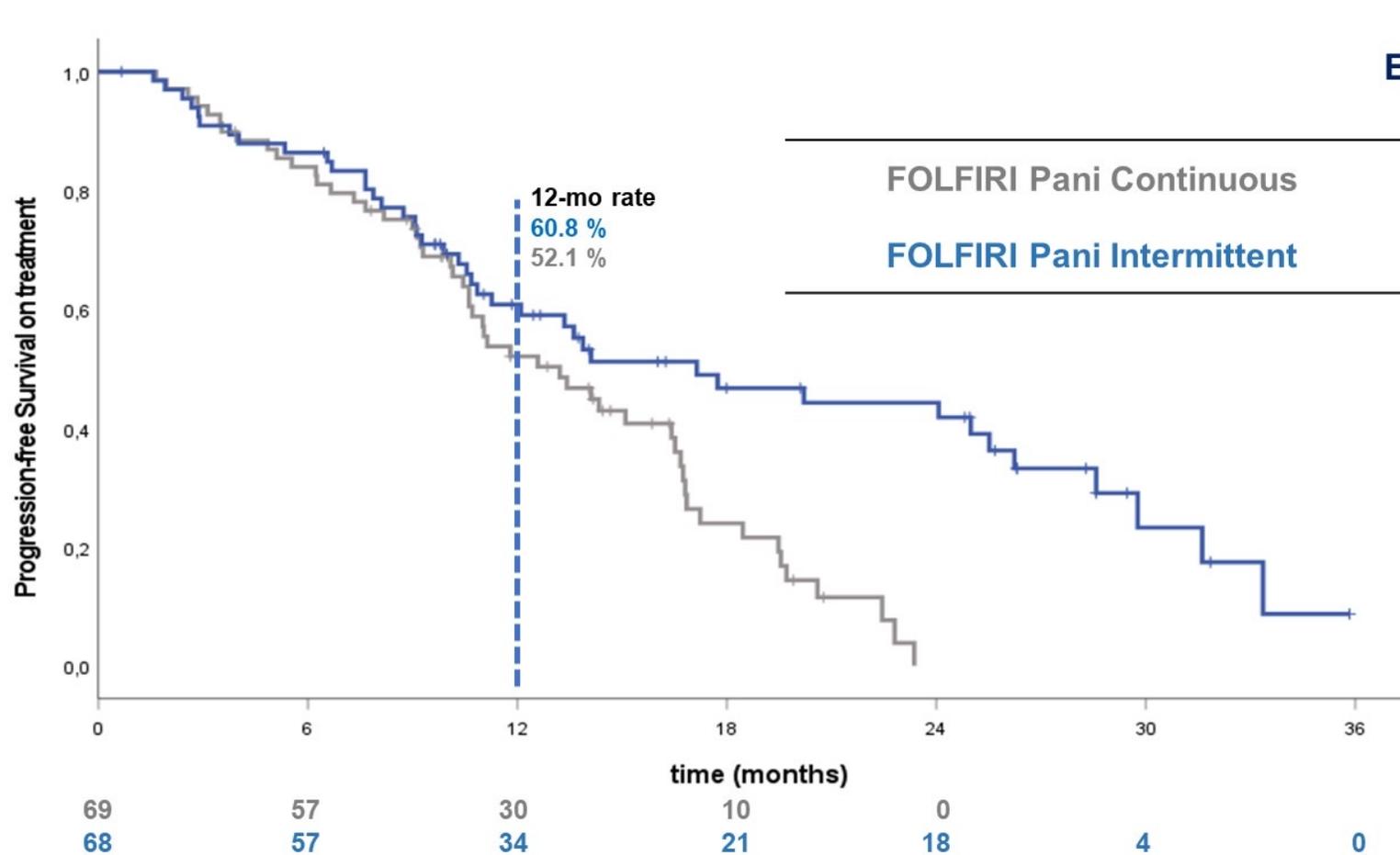
# Treatment exposure and disposition

	ARM A FOLFIRI-PANI continuous N= 69	ARM B FOLFIRI-PANI intermittent N= 68
Number of cycles per patient, median (IQR)	13 (9-22)	13 (8-23)
Patients with treatment delay, n (%)	24 (35)	21 (31)
Patients with dose reduction, n (%)	43 (62)	41 (60)
Planned dose of treatment with Pani, %		
Full dose	65	68
Reduced dose	35	32
Planned dose of treatment with FOLFIRI, %		
Full dose	55	54
Reduced dose	45	46
<b>Ongoing treatment, n (%)</b>	<b>7 (10)</b>	<b>25 (37)</b>
<b>Discontinued treatment, n (%)</b>	<b>62 (90)</b>	<b>43 (63)</b>
Reason for treatment discontinuation, n (%)		
Disease Progression	44 (64)	37 (54)
AE related to treatment	12 (17)	3 (4)
Patient request	4 (6)	3 (4)
Other	2 (7)	0

# Response and Resection Rate

ITT Population Best Response (RECIST v1.1 criteria)	ARM A FOLFIRI-PANI continuous N= 69	ARM B FOLFIRI-PANI intermittent N= 68
Complete Response	7%	3%
Partial Response	59%	54%
Stable Disease	27%	32%
Progressive Disease	6%	7%
Not Assessed	0%	3%
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Disease Control Rate (CR+PR+SD)	94%	90%
Progressive Disease within 4 months	16%	15%
R0 Resection Rate	19%	15%

# PFS<sub>OT</sub> curve



	Events	Median PFS <sub>OT</sub> mos	95% CI
FOLFIRI Pani Continuous	52	13.2	9.6-16.8
FOLFIRI Pani Intermittent	41	17.1	9.3-24.9

**In intermittent arm 34 patients alive and without PD at 1 year**

# Safety analysis

Main Grade 3/4 adverse events of	ARM A FOLFIRI-PANI continuous N= 69	ARM B FOLFIRI-PANI intermittent N= 67
Neutropenia	23 %	24 %
Anemia	3 %	3 %
Diarrhea	13 %	15 %
Stomatitis	3 %	3 %
Nausea/Vomiting	5 %	4 %
Fatigue	3 %	7 %
Liver toxicity	3 %	3 %
<b>Skin related</b>	<b>25 %</b>	<b>13 %</b>
Hypomagnesemia	3 %	0 %

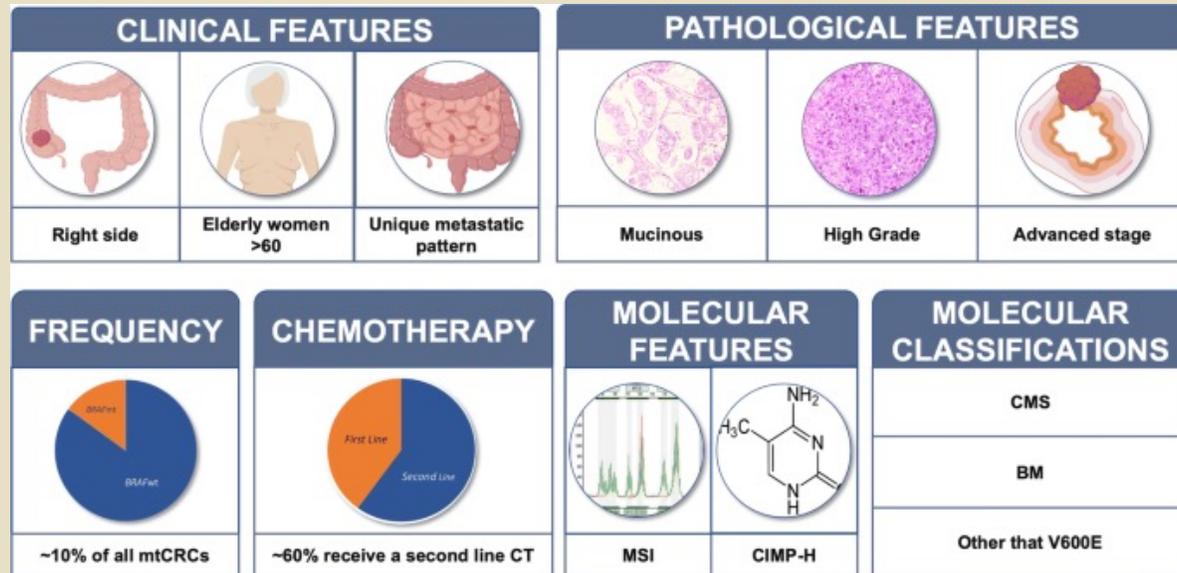
# Anti-EGFR Review

Trial	Median OS in Months	
Primary Tumor	RIGHT side	LEFT side
<b>PEAK</b>		
Pmab FOLFOX	18	43
Bev FOLFOX	21	32
<b>FIRE-3</b>		
Cmab FOLFIRI	18	38
Bev FOLFIRI	23	28
<b>CALGB 80405</b>		
Cmab chemotherapy	17	36
Bev chemotherapy	24	31
<b>PARADIGM</b>		
Pmab FOLFOX	20	38
Bev FOLFOX	23	34

# Anti-EGFR Strategies

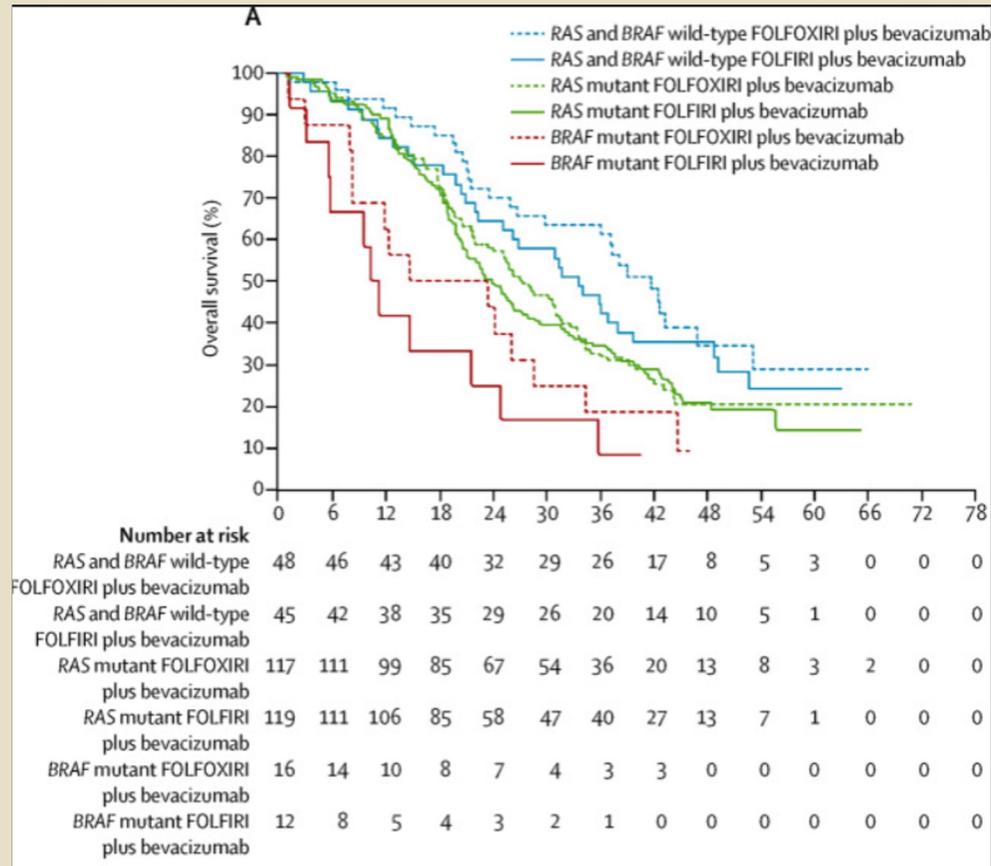
- Benefit in the first line setting only for *RAS/RAF* WT, *HER2* non-amplified left sided CRC
  - Risk/benefit discussion with patient due to skin toxicity
- Intermittent anti-EGFR strategy spares skin toxicity
- Would **NOT** use anti-EGFR in 1L if goal is resection
  - NEW EPOC (peri-operative anti-EGFR): mOS 81.0m vs **55.4m**

# BRAF V600E mutant mCRC



Fanelli et al: <https://cancer.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12935-020-1117-2>

# FOLFOXIRI + Bev was superior in TRIBE study



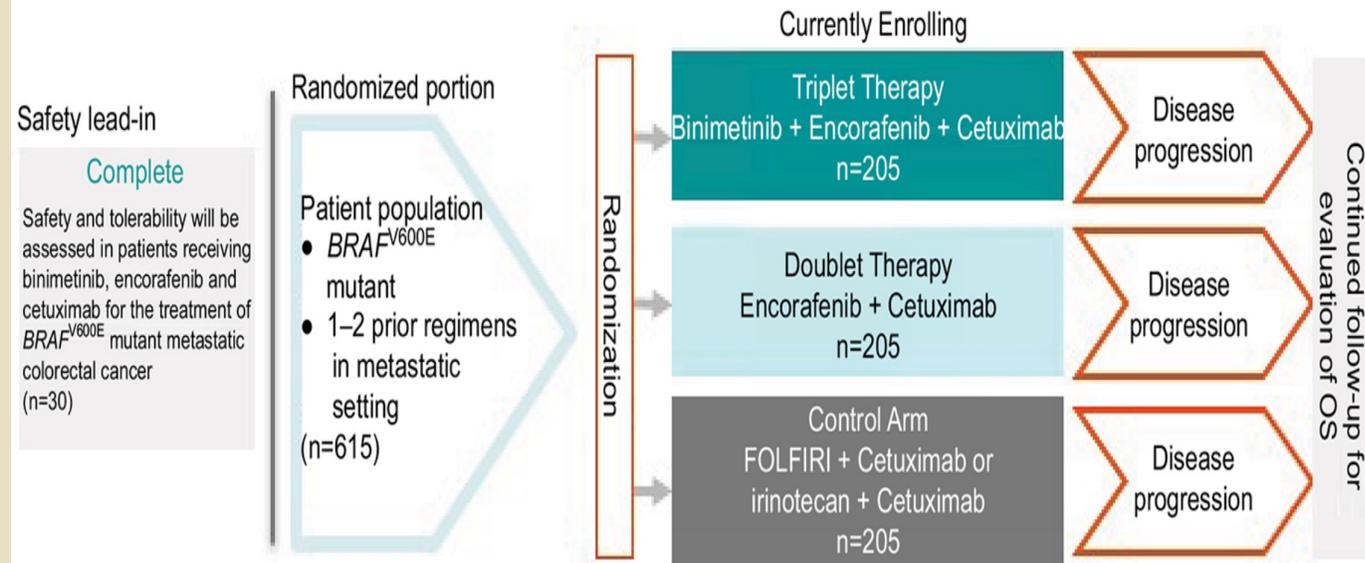
# Targeting BRAF V600E mutated mCRC

**Table 6** Targeting the RAS/RAF/MAPK pathway in BRAF-mutant metastatic colorectal cancer

Study	n= size	Arm (s)	ORR	PFS	OS
Kopetz <i>et al.</i> (62)	21	Vemurafenib	5%	Median 2.1 months	Median 7.7 months
Falchook <i>et al.</i> (63)	9	Dabrafenib	11.1%	NR	NR
Infante <i>et al.</i> (64)	28 (KRAS- or BRAF-mutant)	Trametinib	0%	NR	NR
Hong <i>et al.</i> (65)	17	Vemurafenib + cetuximab + irinotecan	35%	Median 7.7 months	NR
Hyman <i>et al.</i> (66)	27	Vemurafenib + cetuximab	4% (95% CI, <1–20)	Median 3.7 months (95% CI, 1.8–5.1)	Median 7.1 months (95% CI, 4.4–not reached)
Tabernero <i>et al.</i> (67)	14	Vemurafenib + cetuximab	SD 60% at week 8, SD 66.6% at week 16	NR	NR
Yaeger <i>et al.</i> (68)	15	Vemurafenib + panitumumab	16.7%	Median 3.2 months (95% CI, 1.6–5.3)	Median OS 7.6 months (95% CI, 2.1–not reached)
Corcoran <i>et al.</i> (69)	43	Dabrafenib + trametinib	12%	Median 3.5 months (95% CI, 3.4–4.0)	NR
Schellens <i>et al.</i> (70)	54	Encorafenib + cetuximab (A); encorafenib + cetuximab + alpelisib (B)	A: 23%; B: 32%	A: median 3.7 months; B: median 4.3 months	NR
Van Cutsem <i>et al.</i> (71)	55	Dabrafenib + panitumumab (D + P); dabrafenib + trametinib + panitumumab (D + T + P)	D + P: 10% (95% CI, 1.2–31.7); D + T + P: 26% (95% CI, 12.5–43.3)	D + P: median 3.5 months (95% CI, 2.8–5.8); D + T + P: median 4.1 months (95% CI, 2.6–5.5)	NR

ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival; OS, overall survival; NR, not reported; CI, confidence interval; SD, stable disease.

**Figure 2.** Schematic representation of the Phase III study of encorafenib + cetuximab plus or minus binimetinib vs irinotecan/cetuximab or infusional 5-FU/FA/irinotecan (FOLFIRI)/cetuximab with a safety lead-in of encorafenib + binimetinib + cetuximab in patients with BRAFV600E-mutant metastatic CRC (BEACON CRC).



**Abbreviations:** CRC, colorectal cancer; FA, folinic acid; 5-FU, 5-fluorouracil; FOLFIRI, 5-fluorouracil, leucovorin and irinotecan.

- Emerging Treatment Options for BRAF-mutant Colorectal Cancer. <https://www.oncologynurseadvisor.com/home/cancer-types/colorectal-cancer/emerging-treatment-options-for-braf-mutant-colorectal-cancer/4/>



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# Encorafenib Plus Cetuximab as a New Standard of Care for Previously Treated *BRAF* V600E–Mutant Metastatic Colorectal Cancer: Updated Survival Results and Subgroup Analyses from the BEACON Study

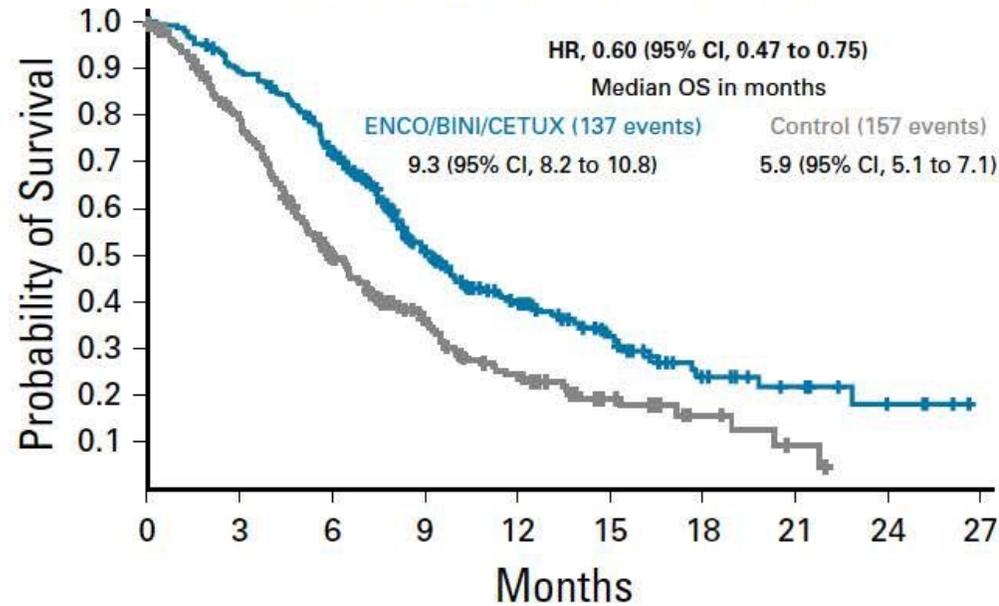
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# BEACON: Overall Survival Results

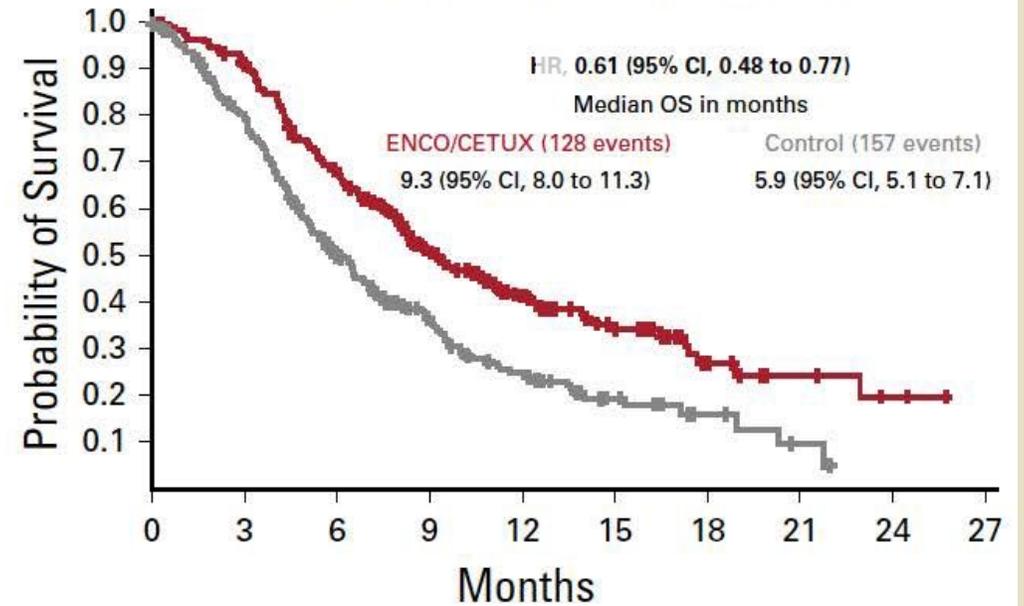
**A**

**ENCO/BINI/CETUX versus Control**



**B**

**ENCO/CETUX versus Control**



Number of patients at risk

ENCO/BINI/CETUX	224	198	157	89	56	33	15	9	4	0
Control	221	166	98	54	33	15	6	2	0	0

Number of patients at risk

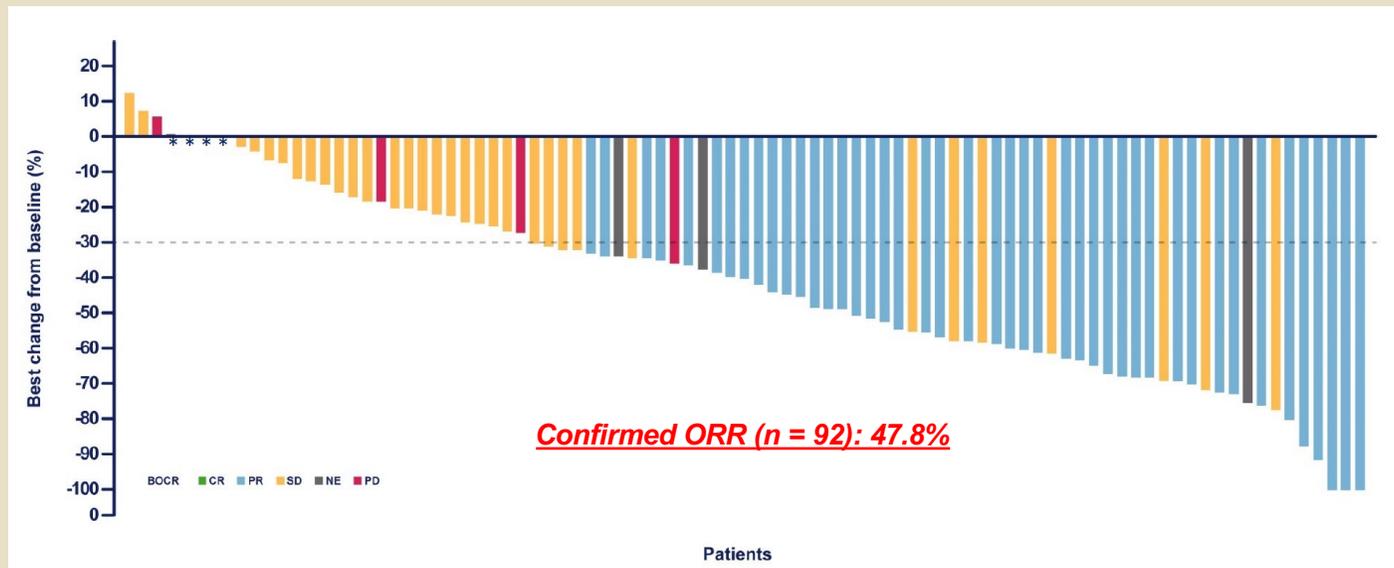
ENCO/CETUX	220	197	143	83	47	28	13	7	2	0
Control	221	166	98	54	33	15	6	2	0	0

# Targeting BRAF V600E in First Line setting

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## **ANCHOR CRC: Results From a Single-Arm, Phase II Study of Encorafenib Plus Binimetinib and Cetuximab in Previously Untreated *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup>-Mutant Metastatic Colorectal Cancer**

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**ORR = objective response rate.**

- **Overall survival (OS) = 18.2 mo (with a median follow-up of 14.4 mo)**
- **PFS = 5.8 mo (median)**

*Van Cutsem E et al. ESMO World Congress on Gastrointestinal Cancer 2021; Abstract O-10.*

An open-label, multicenter, randomized phase 3 study of 1<sup>st</sup> line encorafenib plus cetuximab with or without chemotherapy versus standard of care therapy in patients with metastatic *BRAF* V600E-mutant mCRC

### Safety lead-in

Patients with *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup> mutant mCRC with 0 to 1 prior regimens in the metastatic setting

### Phase 3

Patients with *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup> mutant mCRC and no prior systemic therapy in the metastatic setting

Encorafenib + cetuximab + mFOLFOX6  
N=30  
Encorafenib + cetuximab + FOLFIRI  
N=30

#### Dosages

- Encorafenib, 300 mg PO QD
- Cetuximab, 500 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV Q2W
- **FOLFOX, full dose IV Q2W**
- FOLFIRI, full dose IV Q2W

Randomize 1:1:1\*

Arm A\*\*  
Encorafenib + cetuximab, N=290

Arm B\*\*  
Encorafenib + cetuximab + FOLFOX or  
FOLFIRI<sup>β</sup>, N=290

Control arm<sup>§</sup>  
Physician's choice: FOLFOX, FOLFIRI,  
FOLFOXIRI, CAPOX, all ± anti-VEGF  
antibody, N=290

#### PRIMARY ENDPOINTS

PFS (BICR) Arm A vs Control  
AND  
PFS (BICR) Arm B vs Control  
(BICR, blinded independent central review)

#### KEY SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

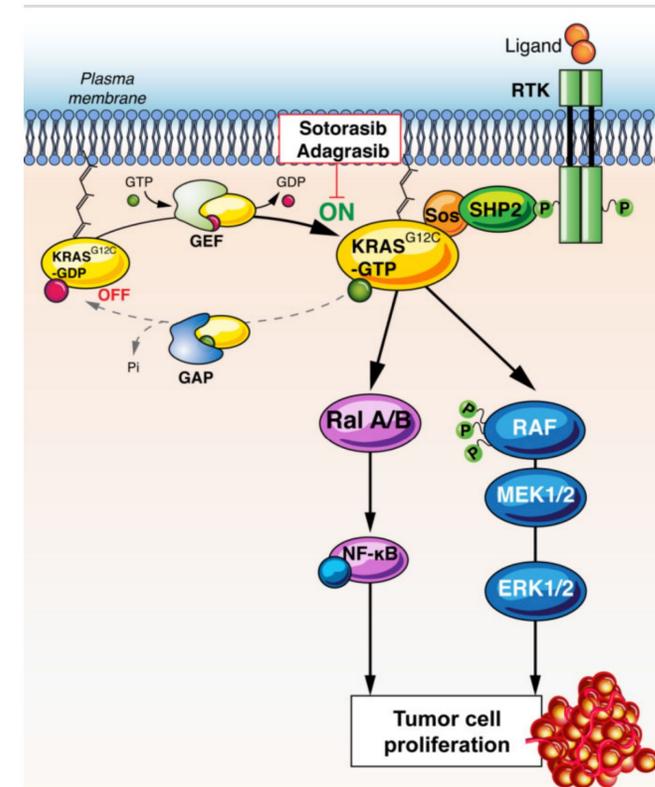
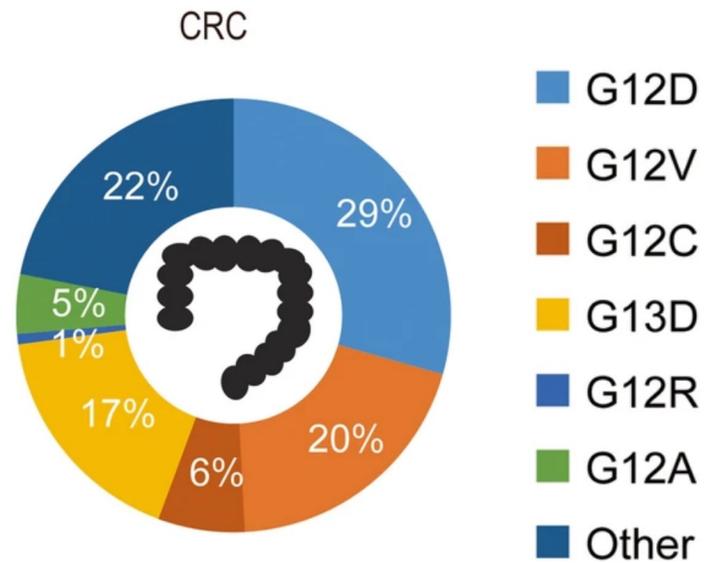
OS Arm A vs Control  
AND  
OS Arm B vs Control

#### OTHER ENDPOINTS

- Incidence of DLTs, adverse events, dose modifications/discontinuations due to AEs
- PK including drug-drug interactions

\*Stratified by: ECOG PS 0 v. 1, Region US/Canada v. Western Europe v. ROW  
\*\*Same dosing as SLI; <sup>β</sup>FOLFOX or FOLFIRI based on SLI results; <sup>§</sup> No crossover.  
ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT04607421





# KRAS G12C TARGETING IN CRC

Dienstman et al. Precision Therapy in RAS Mutant Colorectal Cancer. *Gastroenterology* 2020 Mar;158(4):806-811

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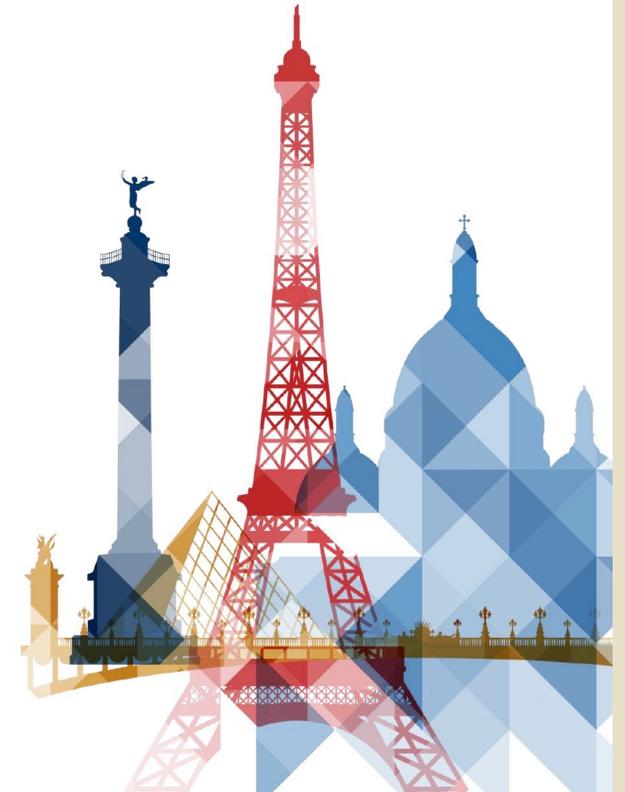
## KRYSTAL-1: Updated Efficacy and Safety of Adagrasib (MRTX849) With or Without Cetuximab in Patients With Advanced Colorectal Cancer (CRC) Harboring a KRAS<sup>G12C</sup> Mutation

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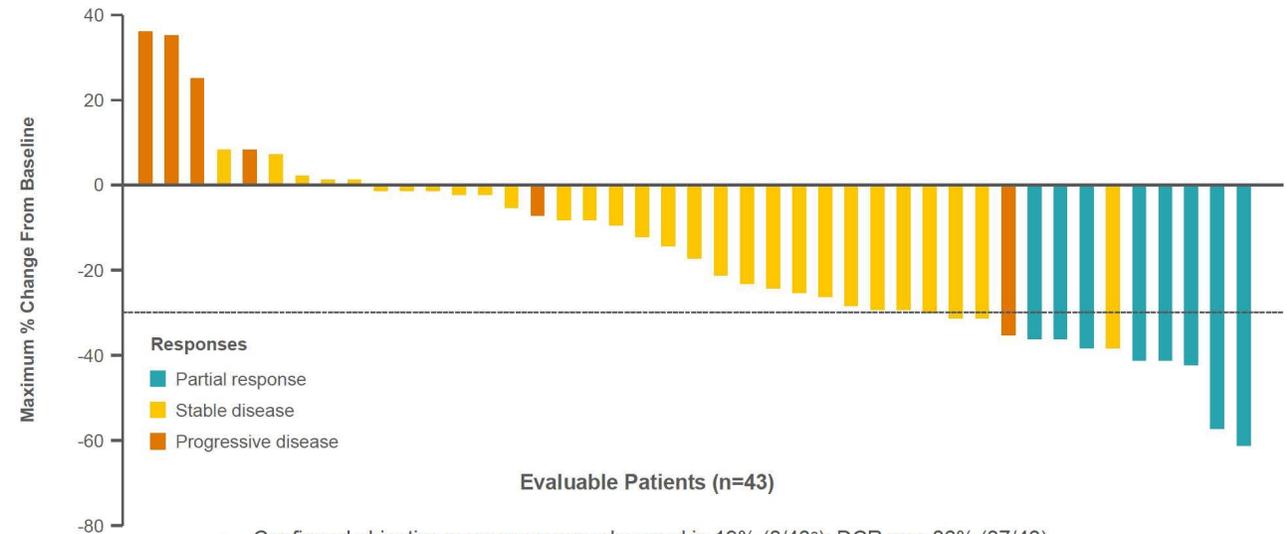
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Adagrasib showed single agent activity in CRC in Phase1/2 study

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### Adagrasib Monotherapy in Previously Treated Patients with KRAS<sup>G12C</sup>-Mutated CRC: Best Tumor Change From Baseline



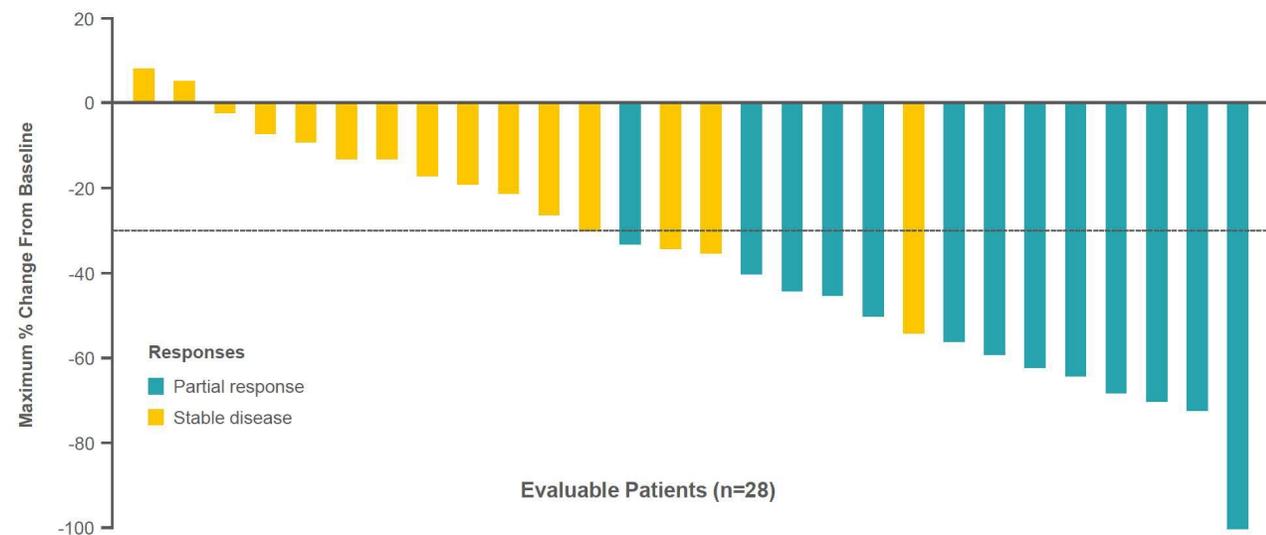
- Confirmed objective responses were observed in 19% (8/43<sup>a</sup>); DCR was 86% (37/43)
- Tumor shrinkage of any magnitude occurred in 79% of patients

<sup>a</sup>Response per investigator assessment (n=43; one patient withdrew consent prior to the first scan)  
Data as of June 16, 2022 (median follow-up, 20.1 months)

## Improved objective response in combination with Anti-EGFR inhibitor

Kemper et al. ASCO 2022 Abstract 1BA24

### Adagrasib + Cetuximab in Previously Treated Patients with KRAS<sup>G12C</sup>-Mutated CRC: Best Tumor Change From Baseline



- Confirmed objective responses were observed in 46% (13/28<sup>a</sup>); DCR was 100% (28/28)
- Tumor shrinkage of any magnitude occurred in 93% of patients

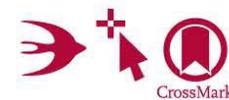
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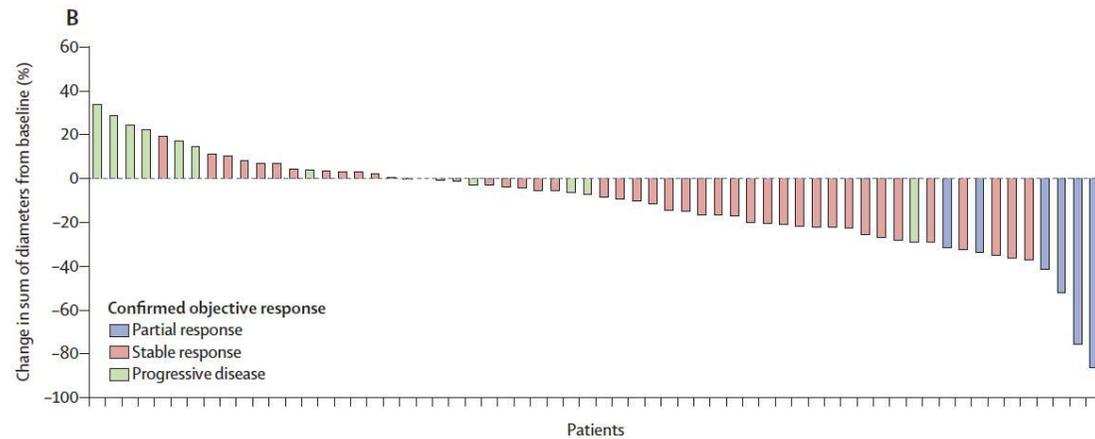
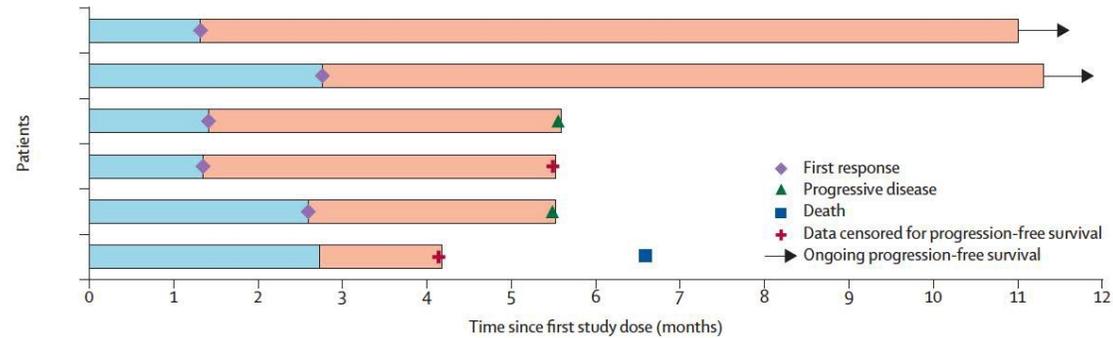
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**Sotorasib for previously treated colorectal cancers with  
 $KRAS^{G12C}$  mutation (CodeBreaK100): a prespecified analysis of  
a single-arm, phase 2 trial**



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# CODE BREAK 100 RESULTS





## Additional analyses of MOUNTAINEER: A phase 2 study of tucatinib and trastuzumab for HER2-positive mCRC

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# Mounteer Results

Responses		Tucatinib + Trastuzumab Cohorts A+B n=84 <sup>1</sup>	Tucatinib Monotherapy Cohort C n=30	Tucatinib + Trastuzumab Post-Crossover n=28
Best overall response per BICR <sup>a</sup> , n (%)	CR	3 (3.6)	0	0
	PR	29 (34.5)	1 (3.3)	5 (17.9)
	SD <sup>b</sup>	28 (33.3)	23 (76.7)	18 (64.3)
	PD	22 (26.2)	4 (13.3)	5 (17.9)
	Not available <sup>c</sup>	2 (2.4)	2 (6.7)	0
<b>ORR per BICR, % (95% CI)<sup>d</sup></b>		<b>38.1 (27.7-49.3)<sup>f</sup></b>	<b>3.3 (0.1-17.2)<sup>g</sup></b>	<b>17.9 (6.1-36.9)<sup>f</sup></b>
<b>DCR<sup>e</sup> per BICR, n (%)</b>		<b>60 (71.4)</b>	<b>24 (80.0)</b>	<b>23 (82.1)</b>

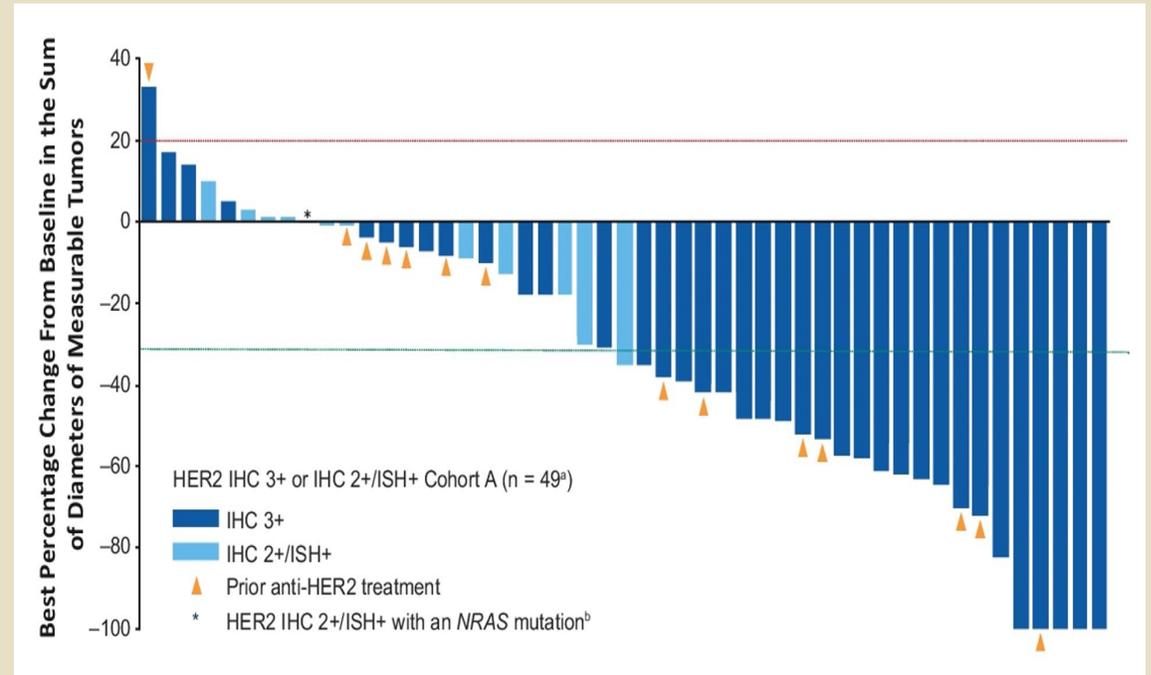
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BICR = blinded independent central review

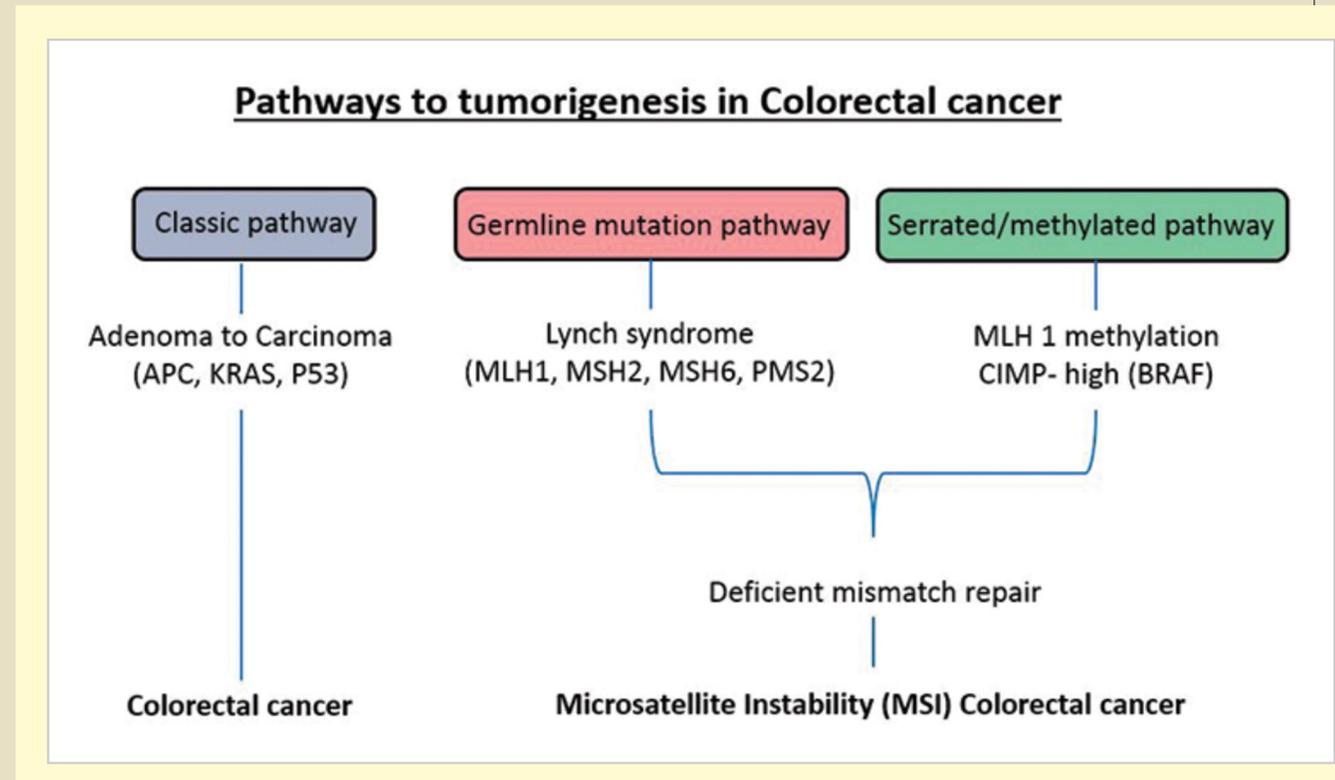
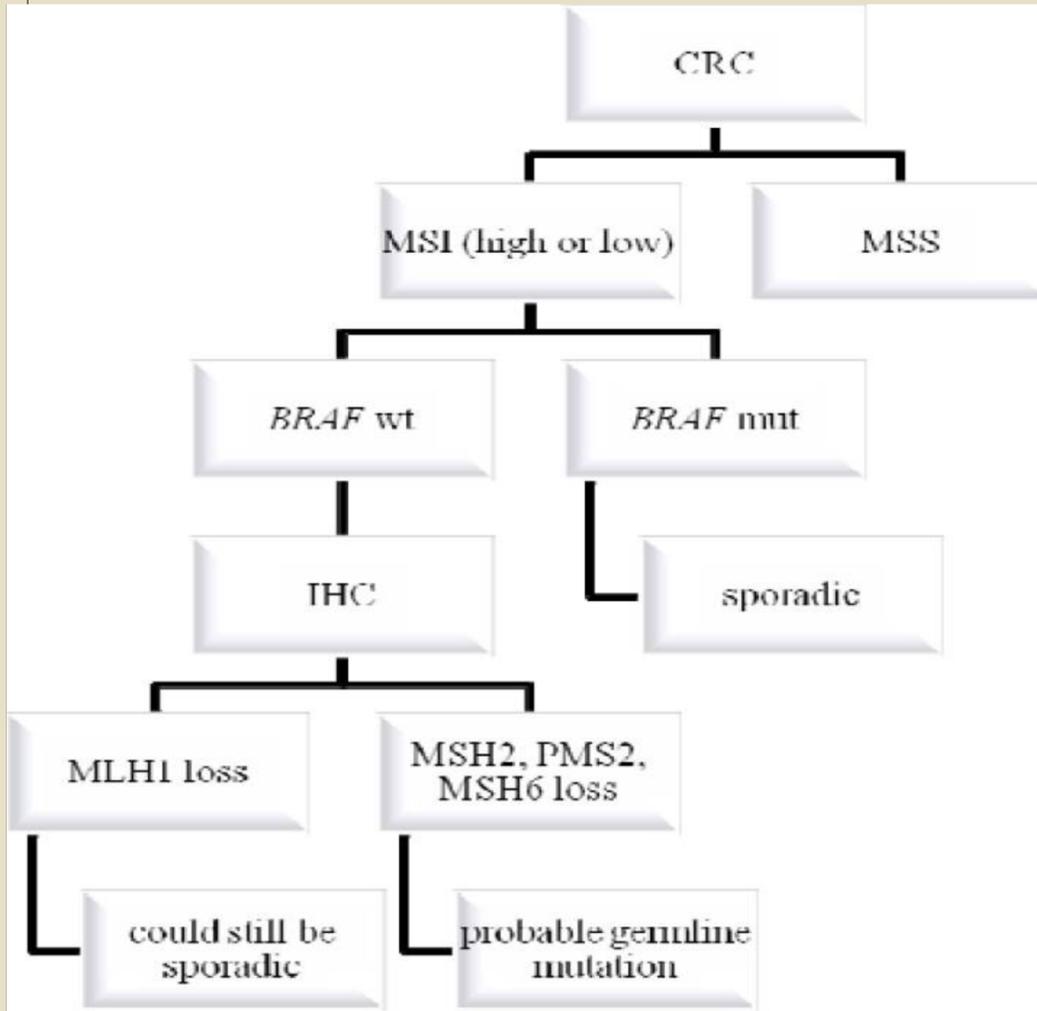
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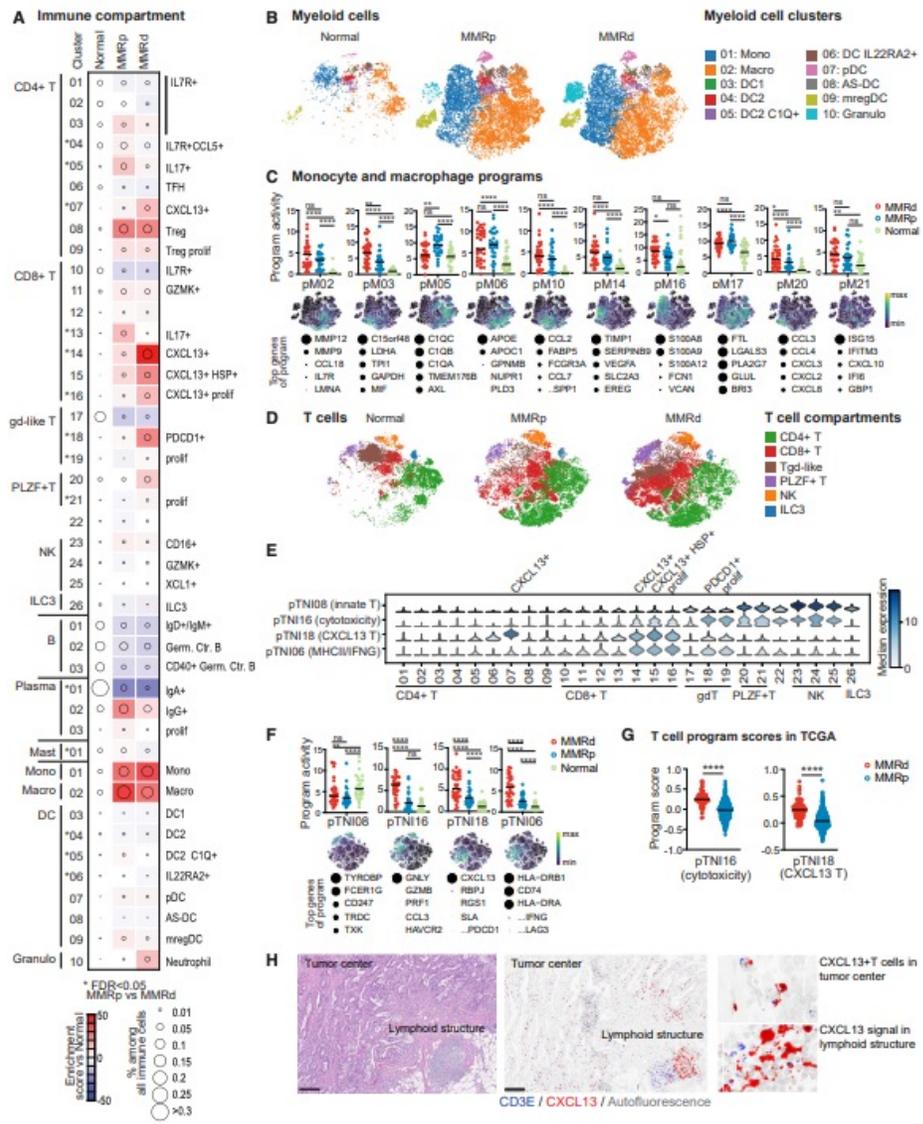
# Trastuzumab Deruxtecan (T-DXd; DS-8201) in Patients With HER2-expressing Metastatic Colorectal Cancer (mCRC): Final Results From a Phase 2, Multicenter, Open-label Study (DESTINY-CRC01)

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# Immunotherapy in Colorectal Cancer





- Single cell analysis of CRC finds differences between microsatellite stable and Microsatellite unstable tumors.

- MMRd tumors were CXCL13+ T cells (marker of human tumor-reactive CD8+ T cells and response to immunotherapy) and PDCD1+ gd-like T cells.

- IL17+ T cells were enriched in MMRp tumors.

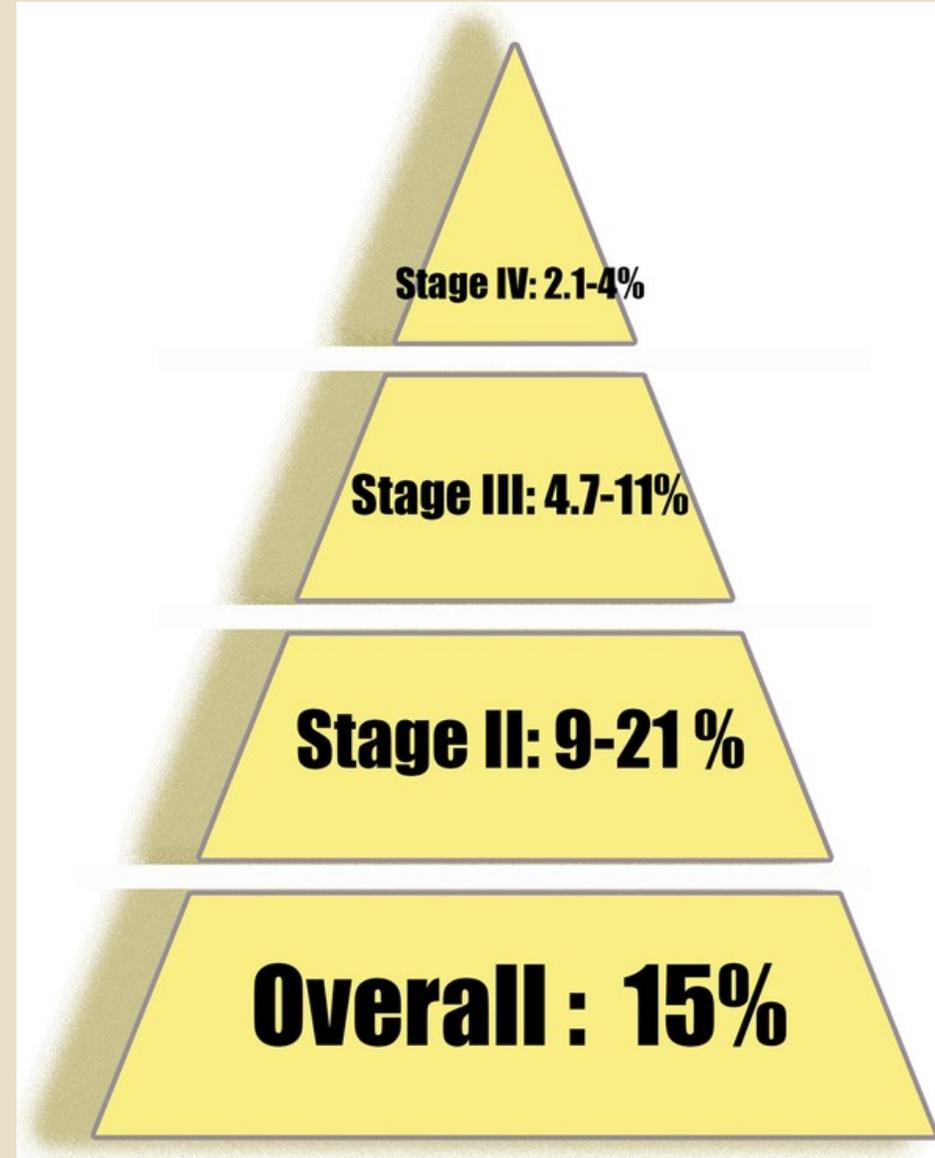
- Monocytes and macrophages upregulated tumor-specific NMF-derived transcriptional programs stimulate growth (growth factors VEGFA and EREG in pM14), and resolve inflammation (APOE in pM06). Myeloid cells from MMRd tumors showed higher activities of programs with genes in glycolysis (pM03), immuneactivating alarmins such as S100A8/9/12 (pM16), and chemokines that attract monocytes and neutrophils (pM20).

- CXCL13+ T cells throughout MMRd tumors, outside of tertiary lymphoid structures, which are usually found at the invasive border.

- Pelka et.al., (2021), Cell.

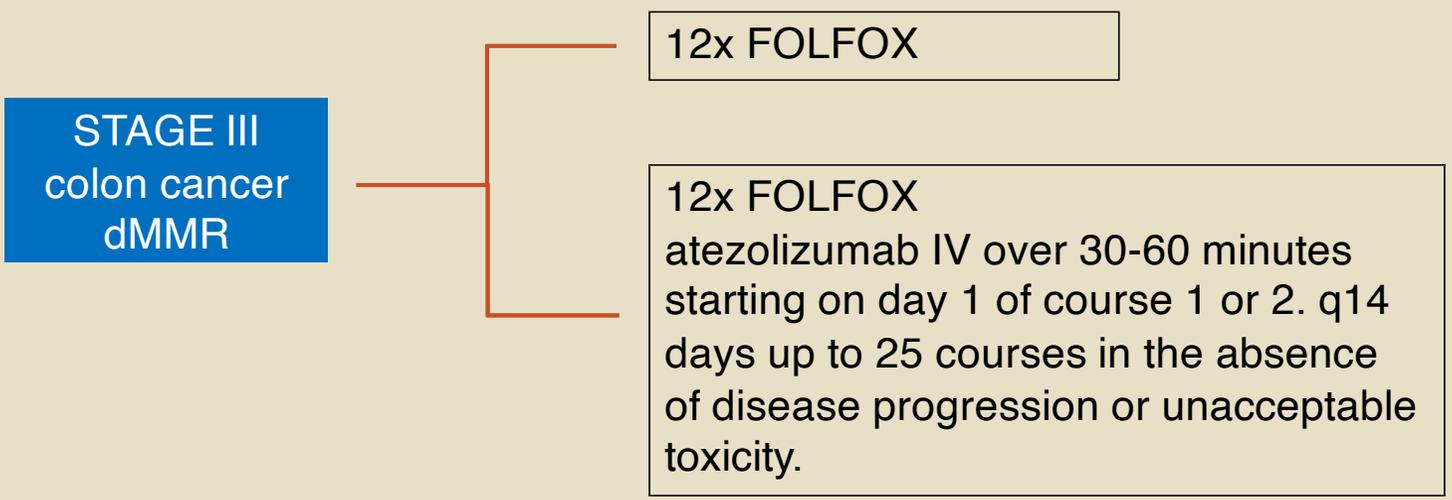
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- Proportion of dMMR/MSI-H in different tumor stages



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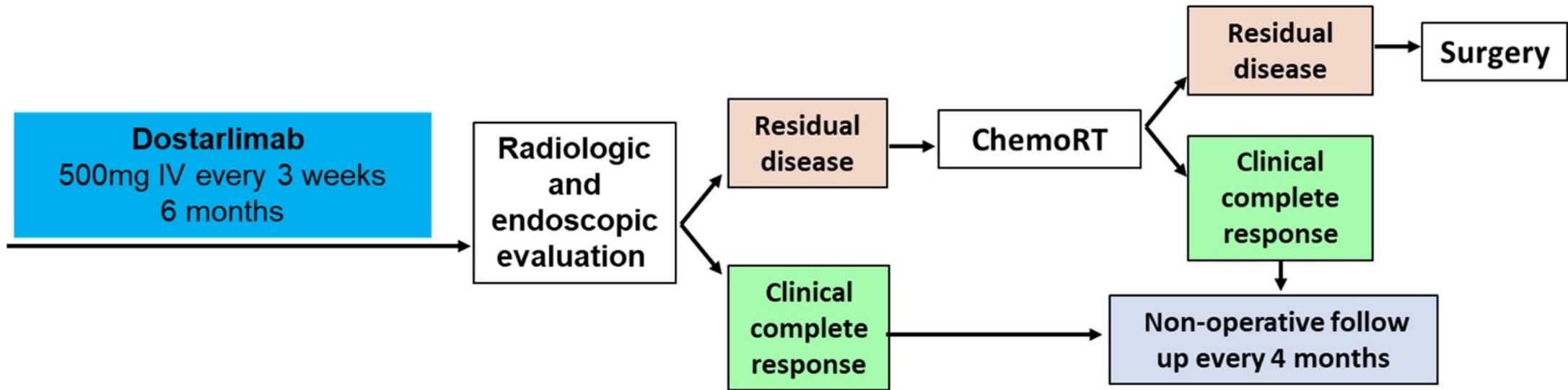
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**PD-1 Blockade in Mismatch Repair–Deficient, Locally  
Advanced Rectal Cancer**

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**Patient population:** Stage II and III mismatch repair deficient rectal cancer

**Target Enrollment:** 30 subjects

**Study Design:** Simon's two stage minimax design

NCT04165772

# Demographic and disease characteristics of the patients at baseline

	Value (%)
Sex	
Male	6 (33)
Female	12 (67)
Age, median (range)	54 (26-78)
Race/Ethnicity	
White non-Hispanic	11 (61)
Hispanic	1 (6)
Black or African American	3 (17)
Asian-Far East/Indian Subcontinent	3 (17)
Tumor Staging	
T1/2	4 (22)
T3, T4	14 (78)
Nodal Staging	
Node-positive	17 (94)
Node-negative	1 (6)
Germline Mutation Status n=17	
MSH2, MLH1, MSH6, or PMS2	10 (59)
Negative	7 (41)
BRAF V600E wild type	18 (100)
Tumor Mutational Burden (mut/Mb), mean (range)	67 (36 -106)



# Individual responses to PD-1 blockade with dostarlimab

Patients who completed 6-months of dostarlimab

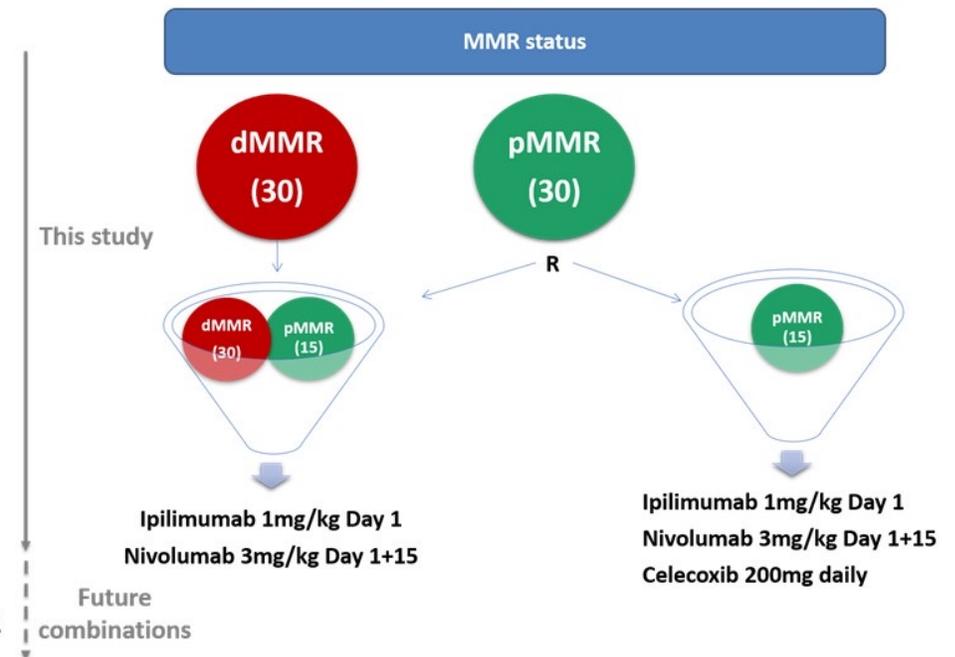
ID	Age	Stage T	Stage N	FU (months)	Digital rectal exam response	Endoscopic best response	Rectal MRI best response	Overall response <b>100%</b>
1	38	T4	N+	23.8	CR	CR	CR	cCR
2	30	T3	N+	20.5	CR	CR	CR	cCR
3	61	T1/2	N+	20.6	CR	CR	CR	cCR
4	28	T4	N+	20.5	CR	CR	CR	cCR
5	53	T1/2	N+	9.1	CR	CR	CR	cCR
6	77	T1/2	N+	11.0	CR	CR	CR	cCR
7	77	T1/2	N+	8.7	CR	CR	CR	cCR
8	55	T3	N+	5.0	CR	CR	CR	cCR
9	68	T3	N+	4.9	CR	CR	CR	cCR
10	78	T3	N-	1.7	CR	CR	CR	cCR
11	55	T3	N+	4.7	CR	CR	CR	cCR
12	27	T3	N+	4.4	CR	CR	CR	cCR
13	26	T3	N+	0.8	CR	CR	CR	cCR
14	43	T3	N+	0.7	CR	CR	CR	cCR

# Neoadjuvant nivolumab, ipilimumab, and celecoxib in MMR-proficient and MMR-deficient colon cancers: Final clinical analysis of the NICHE study.

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# NICHE study design

- Open-label, exploratory study with an adaptive design
- **Study population:** non-metastatic, resectable and previously untreated adenocarcinoma of the colon
- **Original cohorts:** 30 patients with dMMR and 30 with pMMR tumors
- **Treatment in all patients:** nivolumab 3 mg/kg on D1+15 *plus* ipilimumab 1 mg/kg on D1
  - **pMMR cohort:** randomized to additionally receive celecoxib
  - **Surgery within 6 weeks** of registration
- Tumor and normal tissue at baseline and resection, plasma + PBMCs baseline during treatment and follow-up



# Baseline characteristics

	dMMR (n= 32)	pMMR (n= 33) *
<b>Age, median (range)</b>	54 (22-82)	62 (44-77)
<b>Sex</b>		
Male	14 (44%)	18 (55%)
Female	18 (56%)	15 (45%)
<b>Clinical T stage</b>		
T2	6 (19%)	11 (33%)
T3	10 (31%)	19 (58%)
T4	15 (47%)	1 (3%)
Tx	1 (3%)	2 (6%)
<b>Clinical N stage</b>		
N-	7 (22%)	20 (61%)
N+	25 (78%)	13 (39%)
<b>Primary tumor location</b>		
Right colon	20 (62%)	8 (24%)
Left colon	8 (25%)	23 (70%)
Transverse colon	4 (13%)	2 (6%)
<b>Lynch syndrome</b>	13 (41%)	0 (0%)

\* Two pMMR patients excluded from efficacy analysis due to not matching inclusion criteria

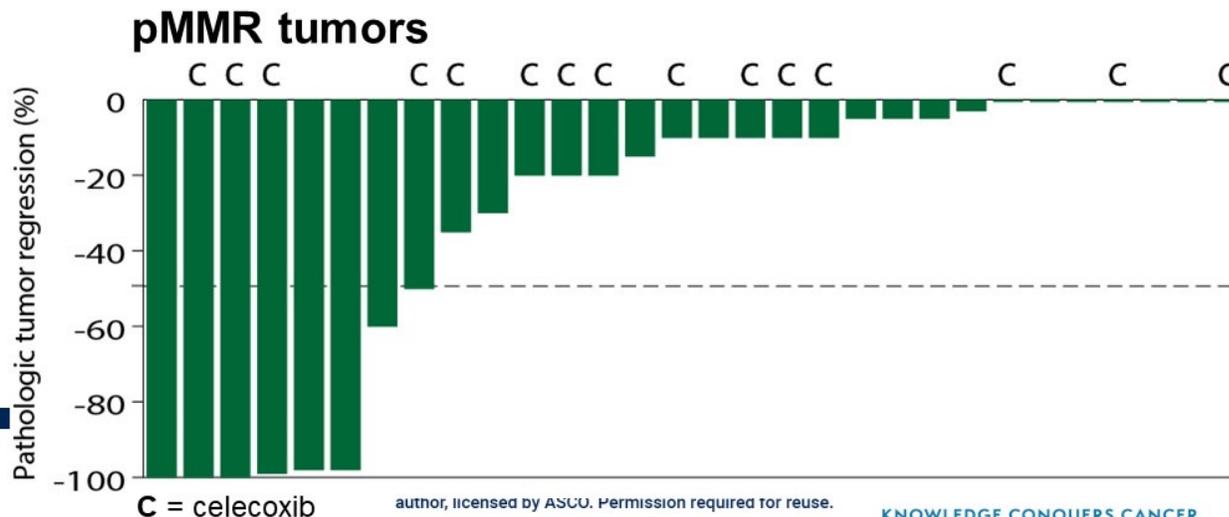
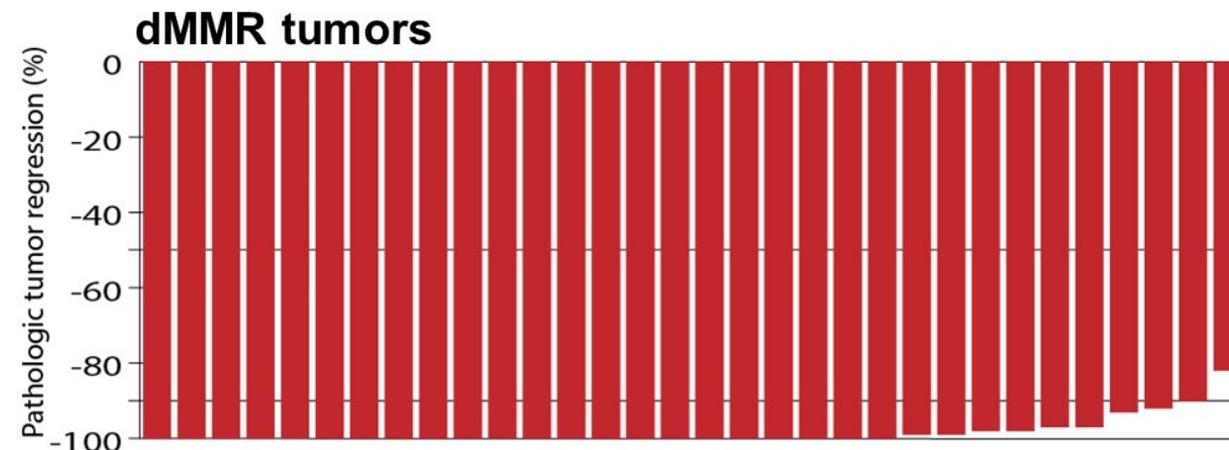
# Responses in 29% of pMMR and 100% of dMMR tumors

Pathologic response	dMMR n= 32	pMMR n= 31
Major ( $\leq 10\%$ VTR)	31 (97%)	7 (23%) *
Complete	22 (69%)	4 (13%) *
Partial ( $\leq 50\%$ VTR)	1 (3%)	2 (6%)
Nonresponse ( $>50\%$ VTR)	0 (0%)	22 (71%)

- **dMMR: 32/32 (100%) responders**
  - Lynch: 13/13 MPR, 12 pCR
  - Non-Lynch: 18/19 MPR, 10 pCR; 1 PR
- **pMMR: 9/31 (29%) responders**

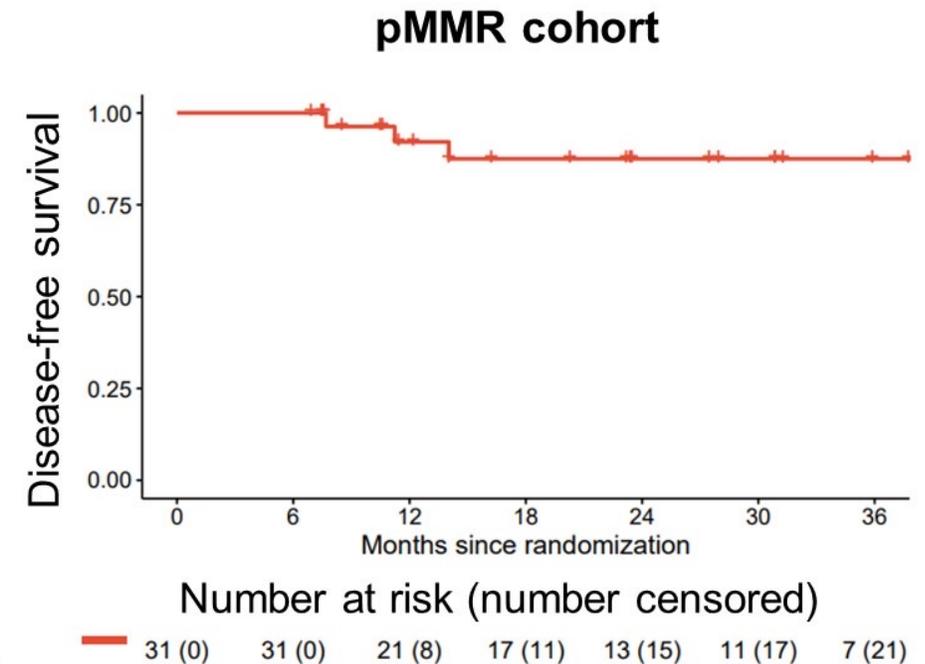
\*1 patient has not undergone surgery, now 1 year after treatment completion and no longer evidence of intraluminal or radiological disease, incl neg biopsies

VTR= viable tumor rest; MPR = major pathologic response; pCR = pathologic complete response; PR= partial response



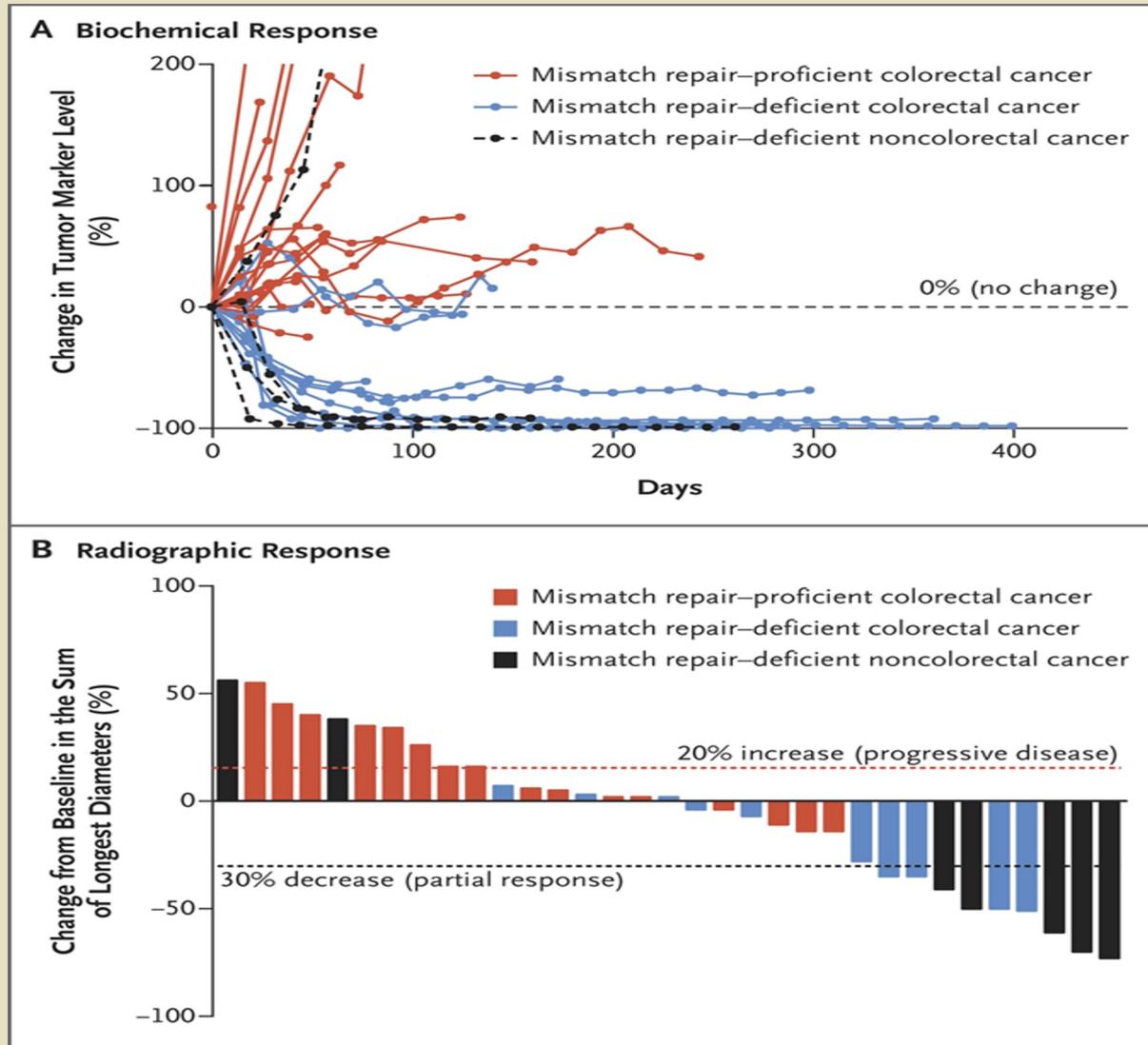
# Adjuvant chemotherapy and disease recurrences

- **Adjuvant chemotherapy**
  - 2 dMMR patients with post-treatment positive lymph nodes (1 MPR, 1 PR)
  - 8 pMMR patients (all NR)
- Median follow-up time **pMMR cohort 28 months**; disease recurrence in 2/31 (6%) patients, both nonresponders\*
- Median follow-up time **dMMR cohort 32 months**: no recurrences to date



\* 1 patient had received adjuvant chemotherapy

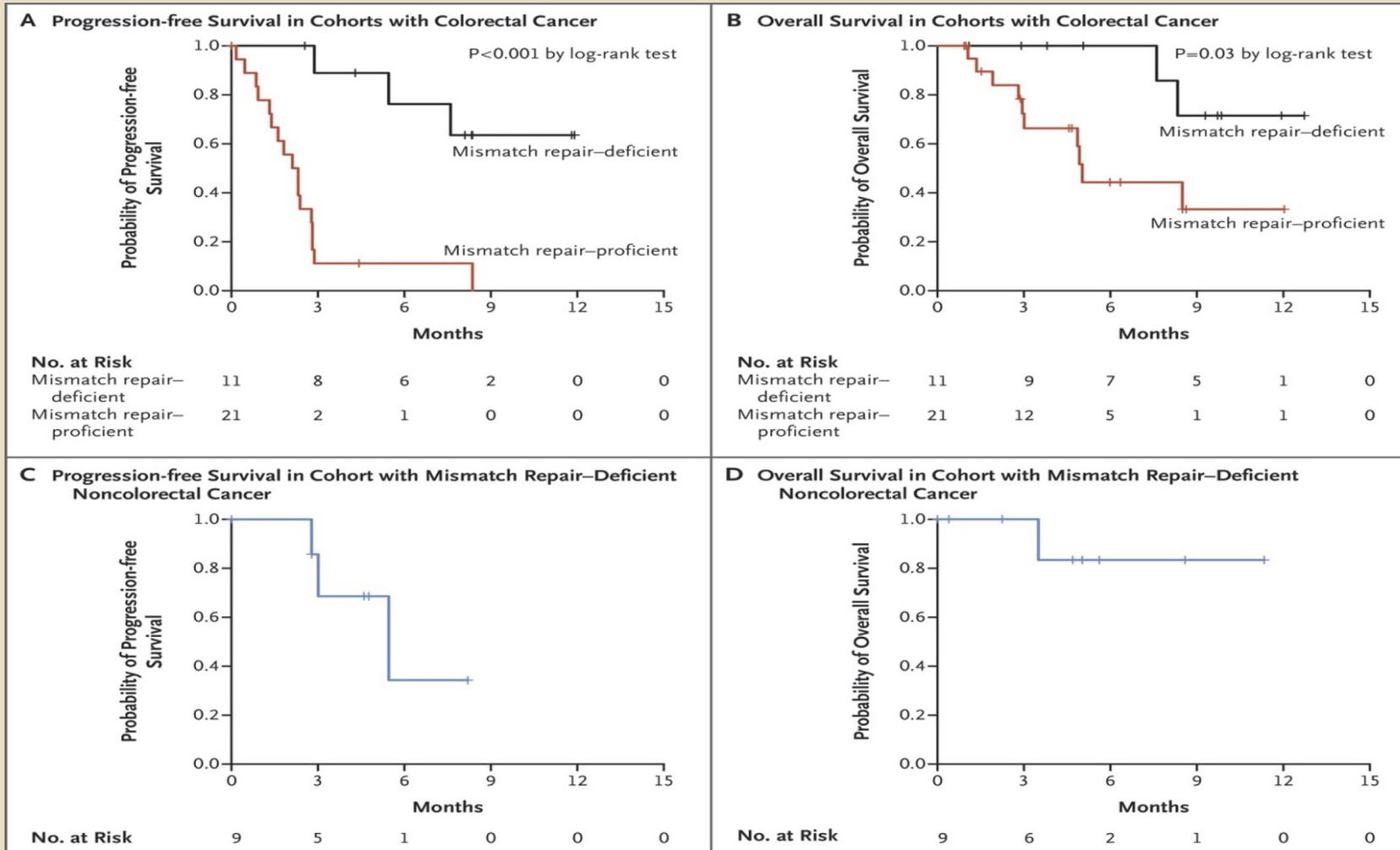
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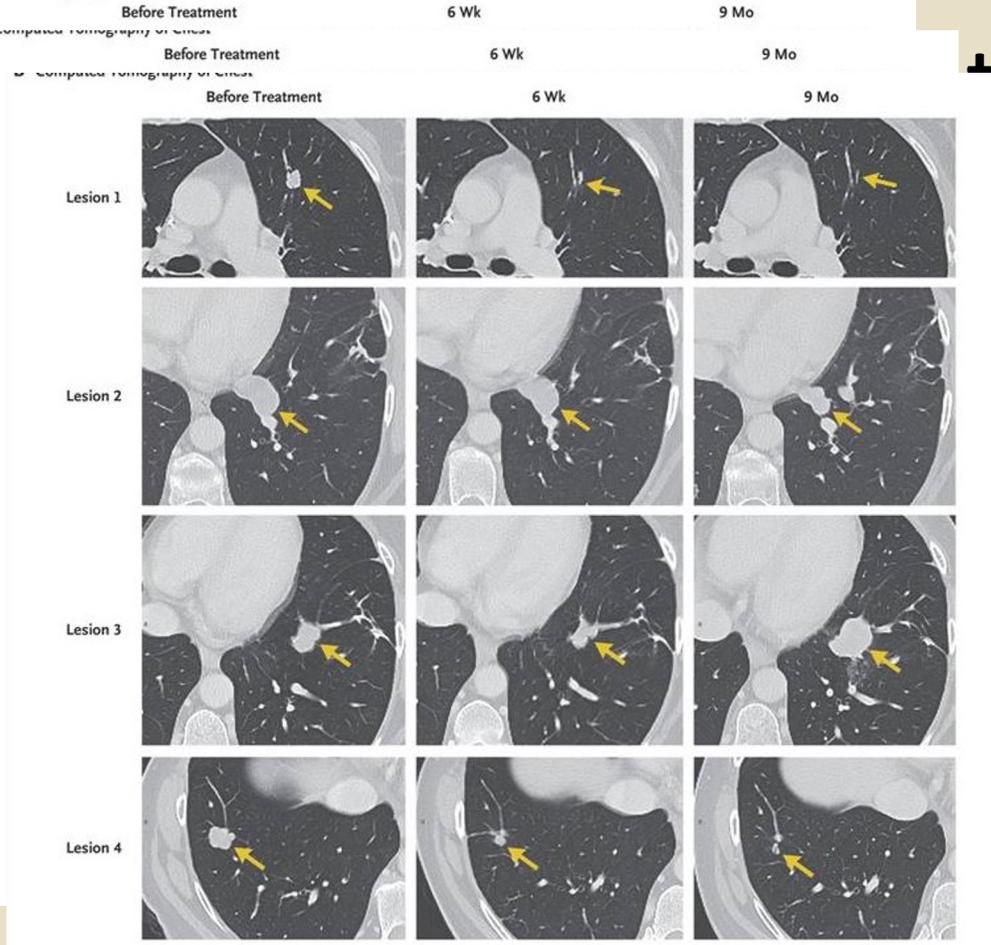


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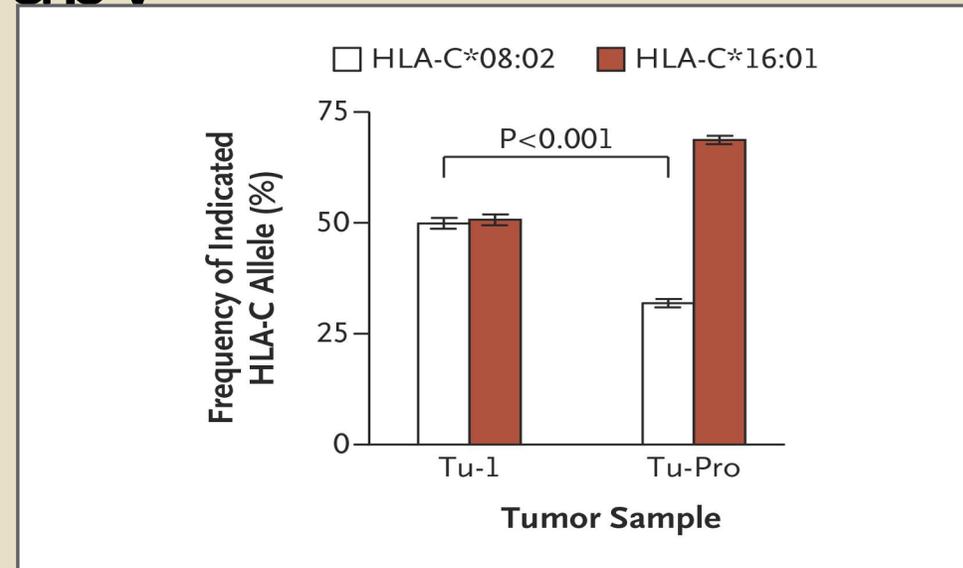
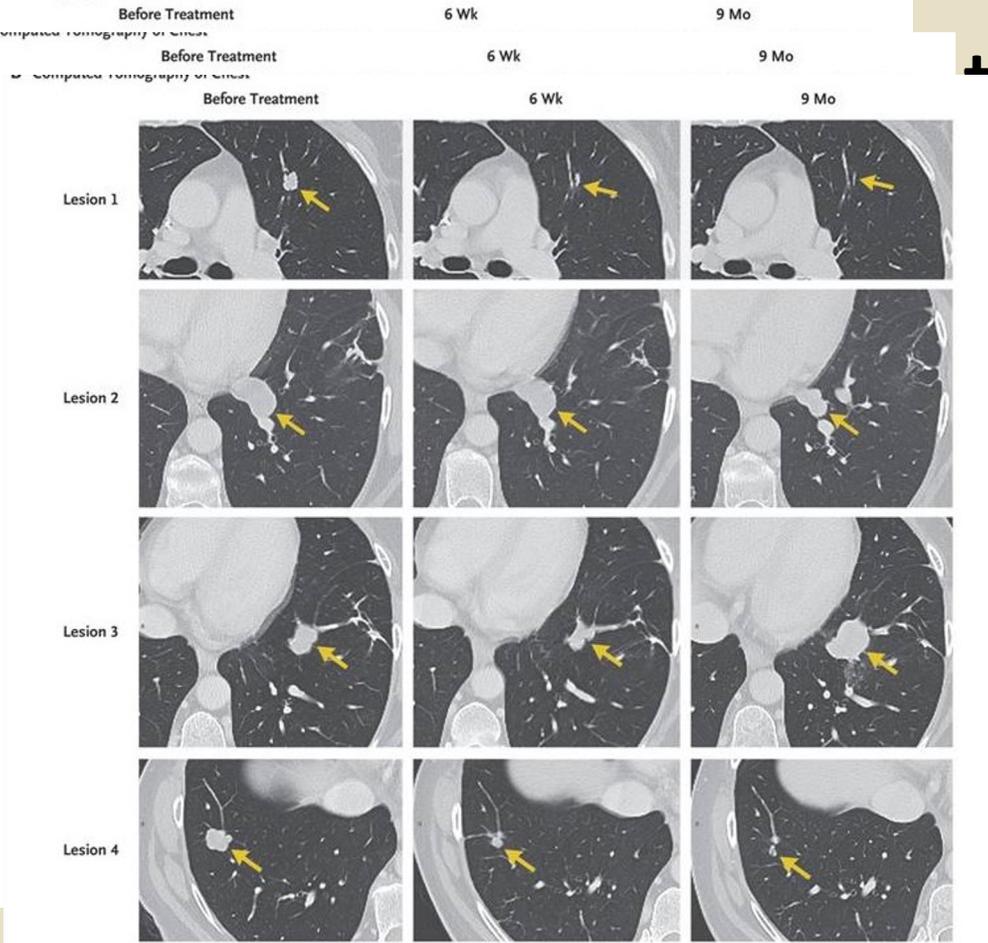
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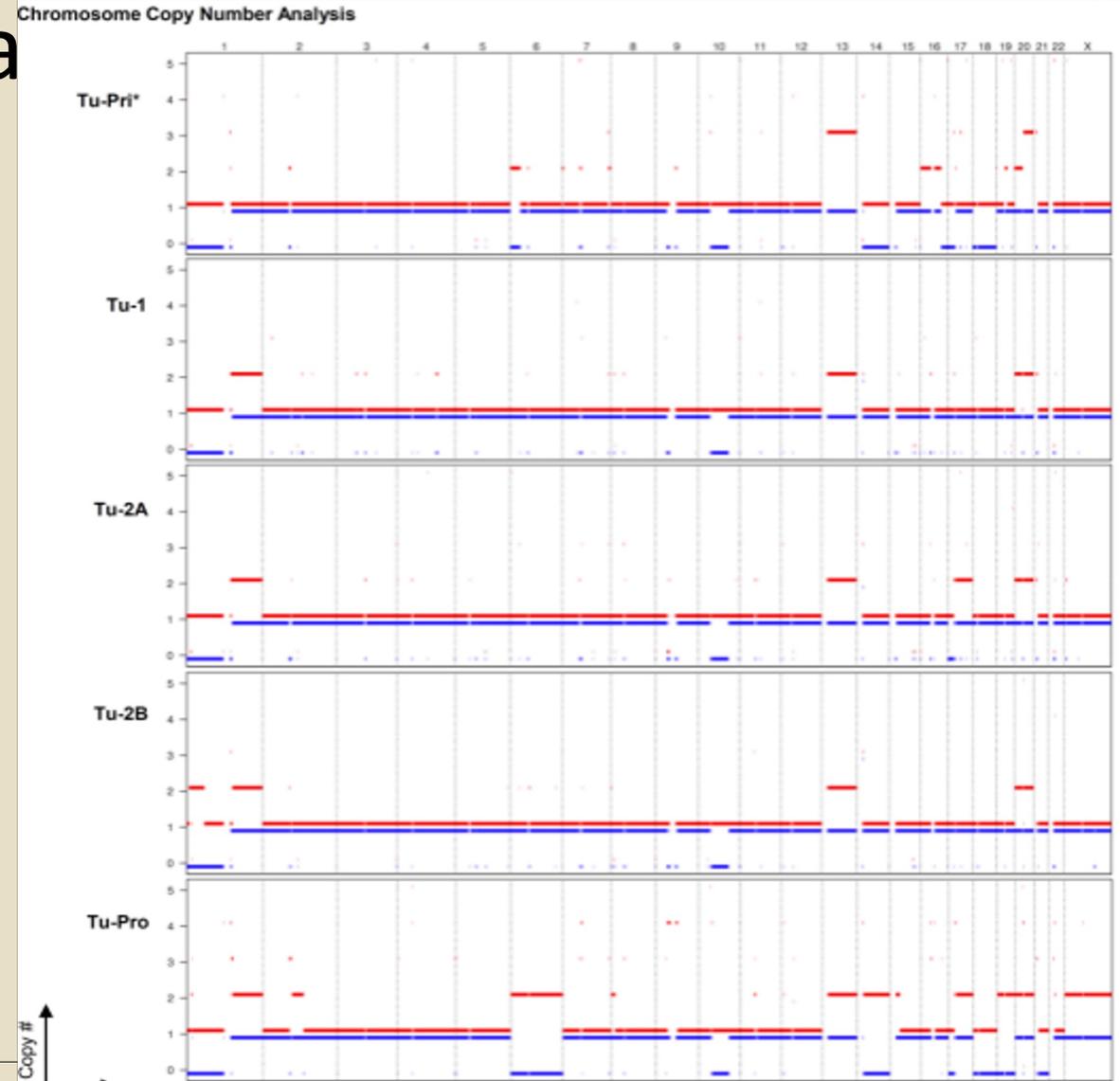
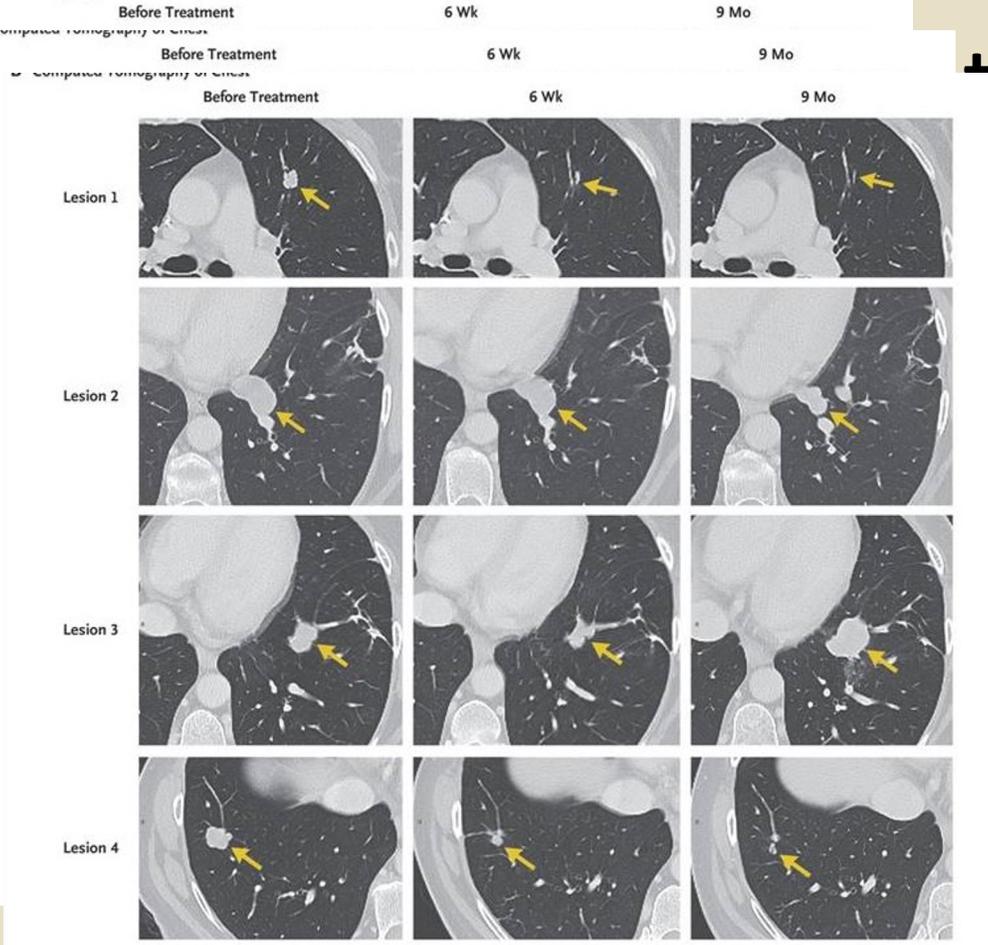
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