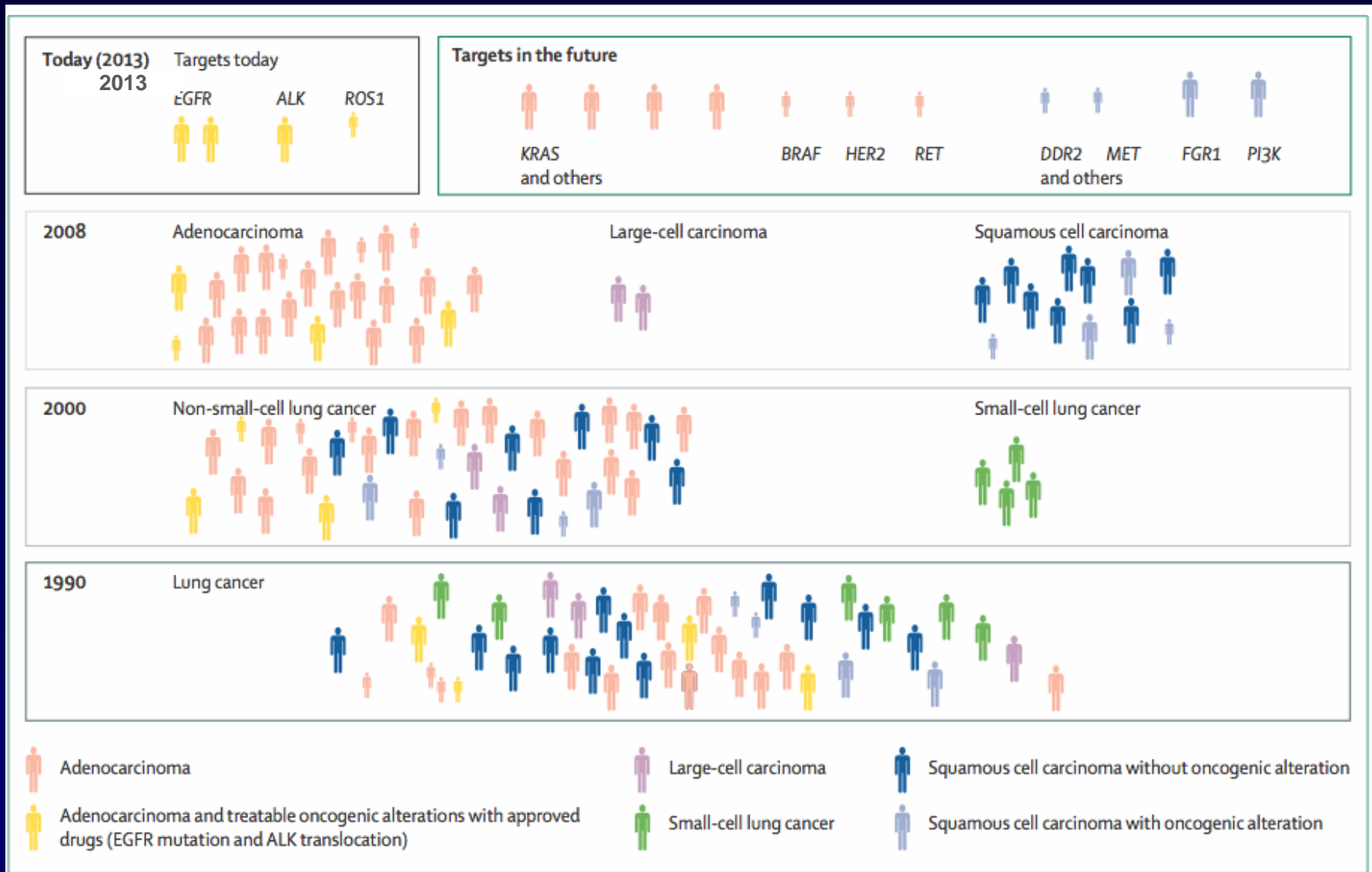


# **Case #2—Advanced NSCLC: Treatment Strategies in the Absence of Targetable Driver Mutations**

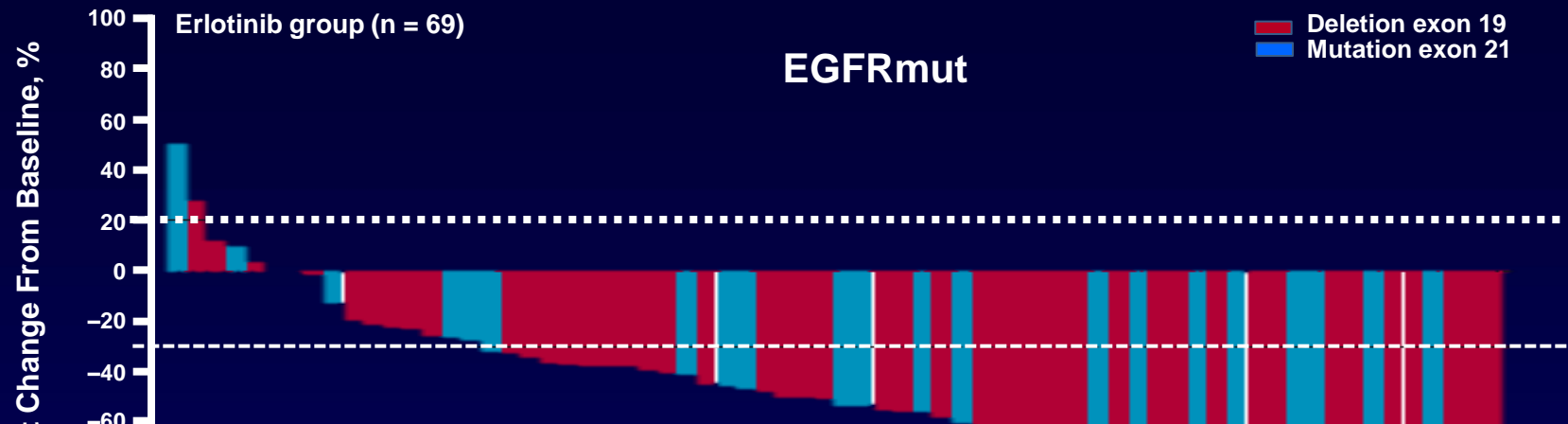
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**Hospital Grosshansdorf  
Grosshansdorf, Germany**

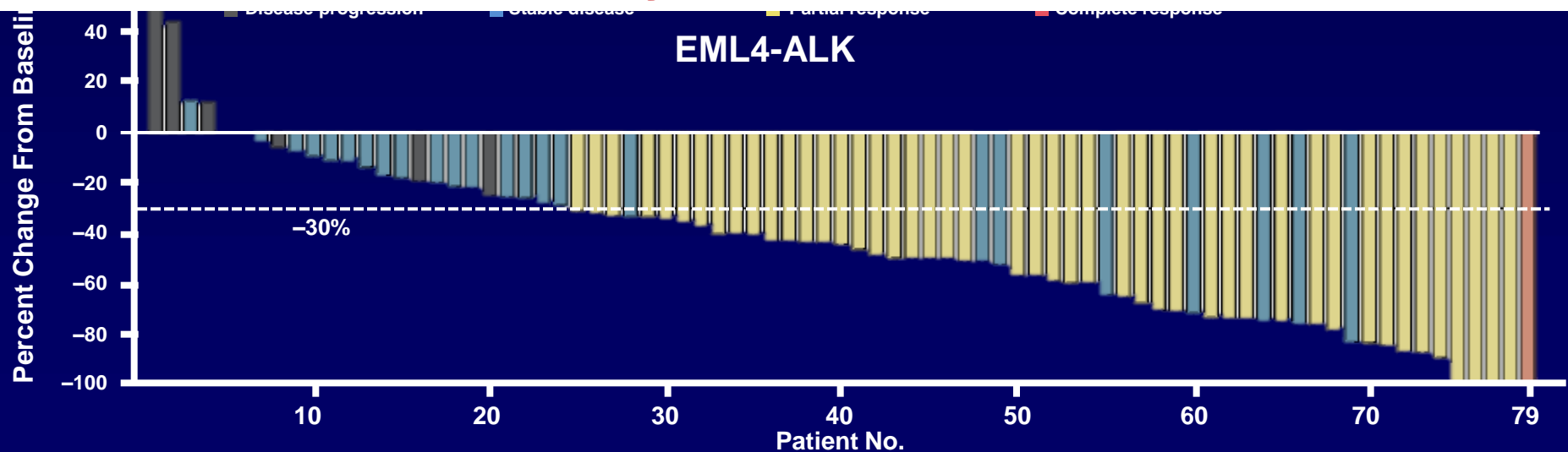
# Diagnosis of Lung Cancer Has Changed....



# Dependence on Oncogenic Drivers



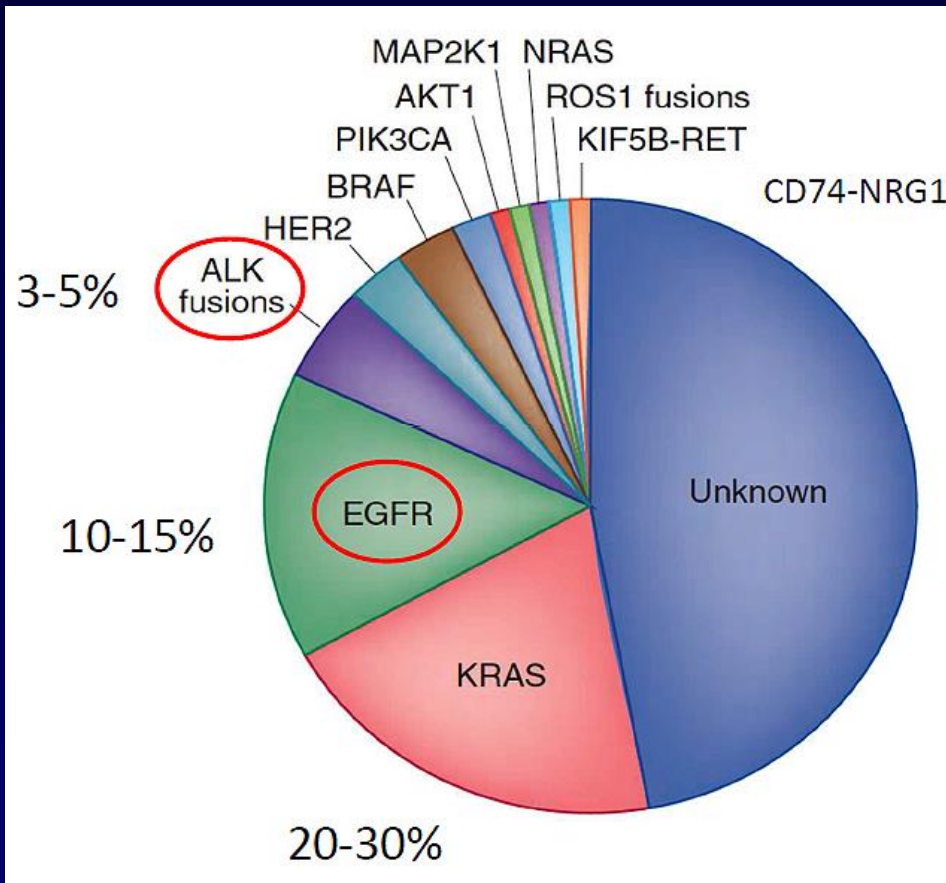
## Predominantly Adenocarcinomas



Rosell R, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2012;13(3):239-246. Kwak EL, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2010;363(18):1693-1703.

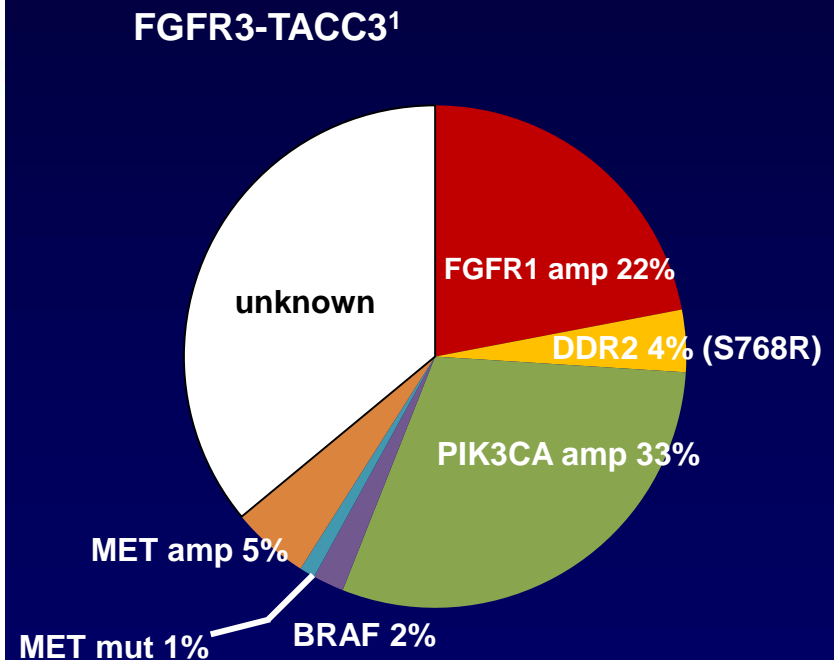
# Driver Mutations in NSCLC

## Adeno (ca. 75%)



Kris MG. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2013;8(Suppl 2): Abstract PL03.07.

## Squamous cell (ca. 20%)



Perez-Moreno P, et al. *Clin Cancer Res.* 2012;18(9):2443-2451.  
WCLC 2013

# Which Screening Technology ?

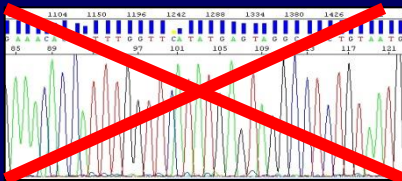
ABI 3130 (Sanger Sequencing)



Sensitivity 10% to 20%



**Insufficient  
for ctDNA**



Cobas (RT-PCR)



Sensitivity 1% to 2%



**State of the art**

Miseq (NGS)



Sensitivity 1% to 2%



**Future  
(present)**

Pyrosequencing: 10%  
BEAMing, Digital PCR, TAM-seq: 0,01% or lower

**Advanced Stage NSCLC  
(Current Management)**

**Adenocarcinoma/Large Cell  
Carcinoma**

**Squamous Cell Carcinoma**

**Known Driver  
Oncogene**

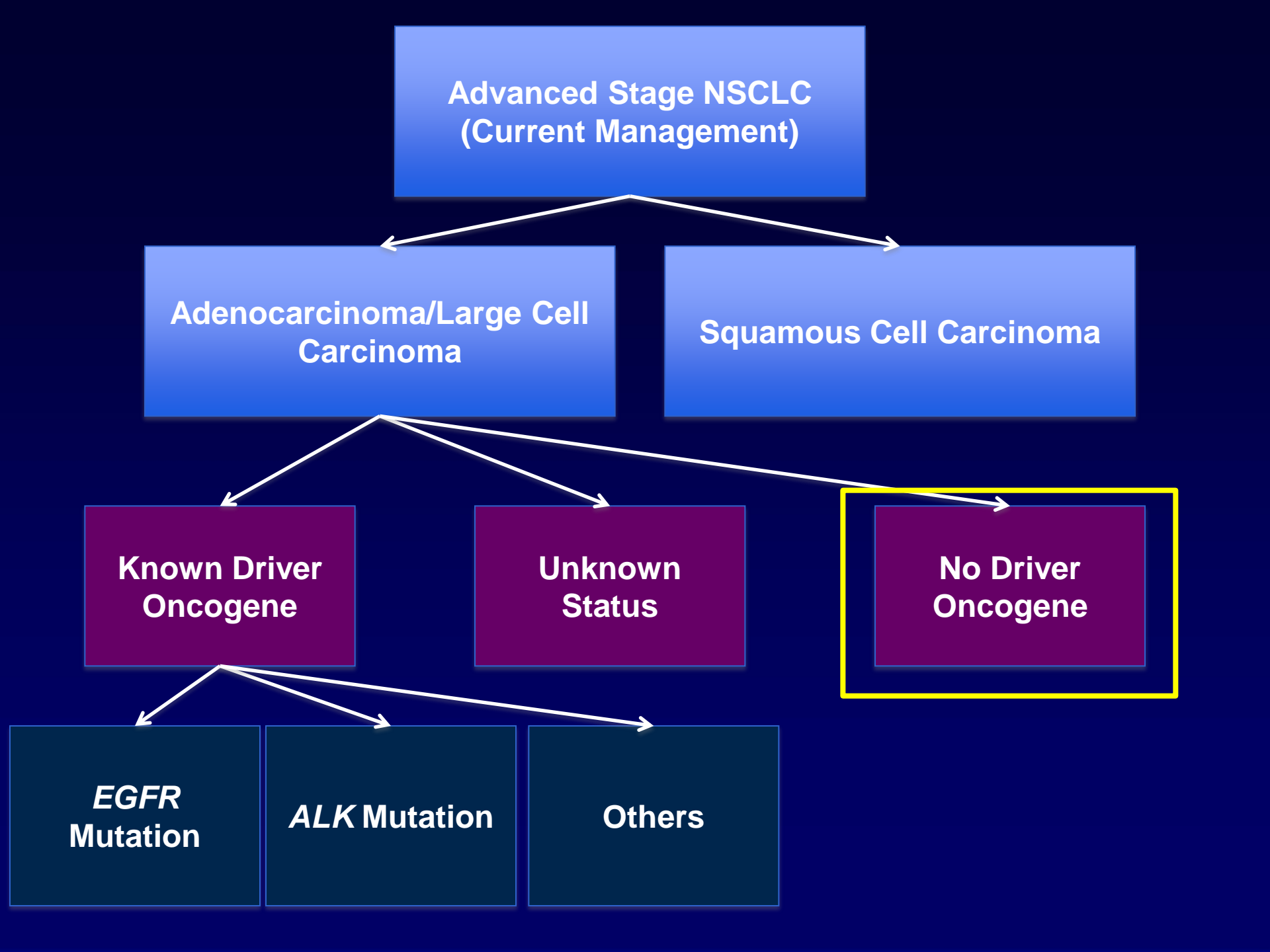
**Unknown  
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**No Driver  
Oncogene**

***EGFR*  
Mutation**

***ALK* Mutation**

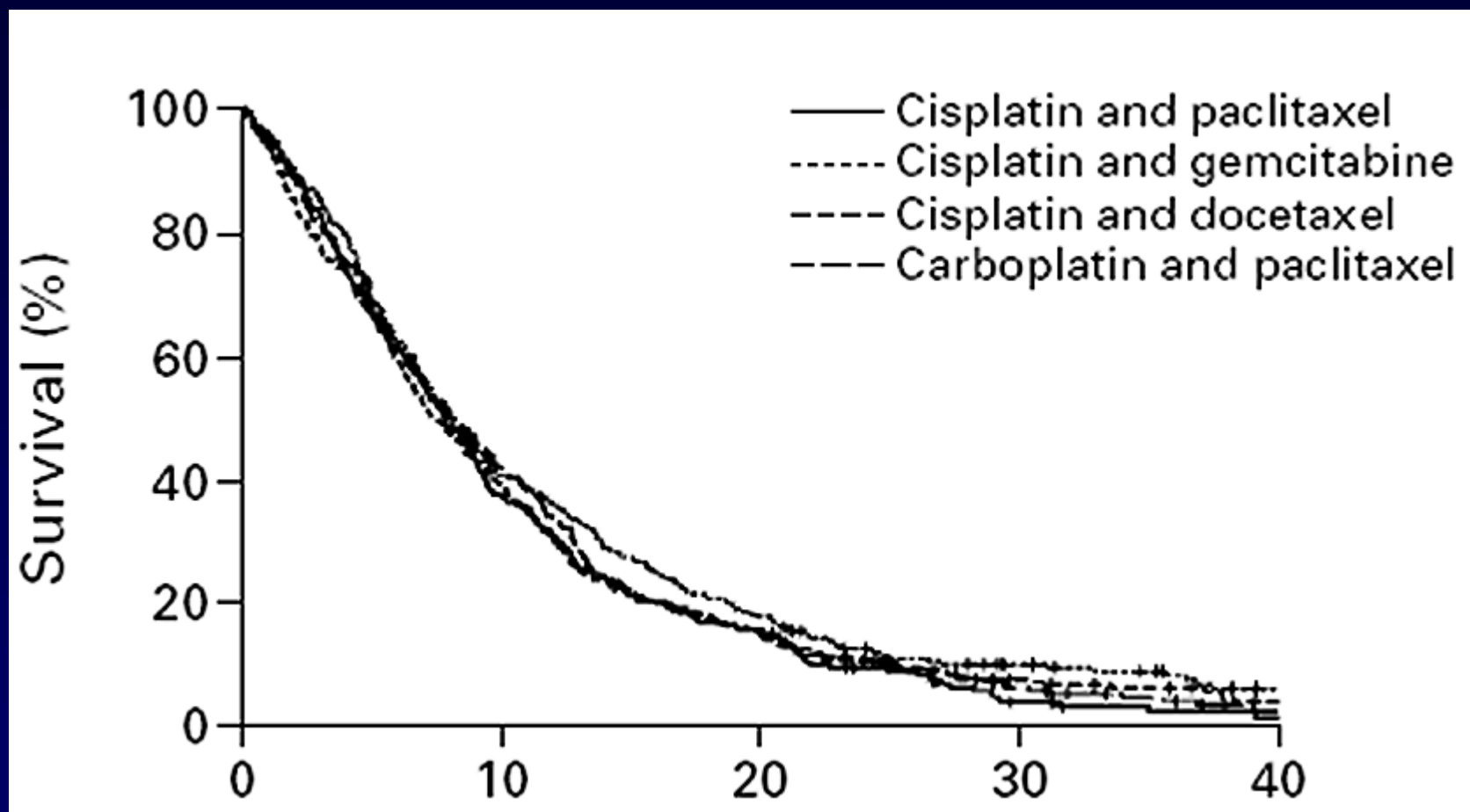
**Others**



# The Most Important Selection Factors

- Age
  - Performance Status
  - Stage
- } "Classic Factors"
- Histology / Eligibility for bevacizumab
  - Maintenance Therapy
  - Molecular Screening
- } "New Factors"

# Comparison of Four Chemotherapy Regimens



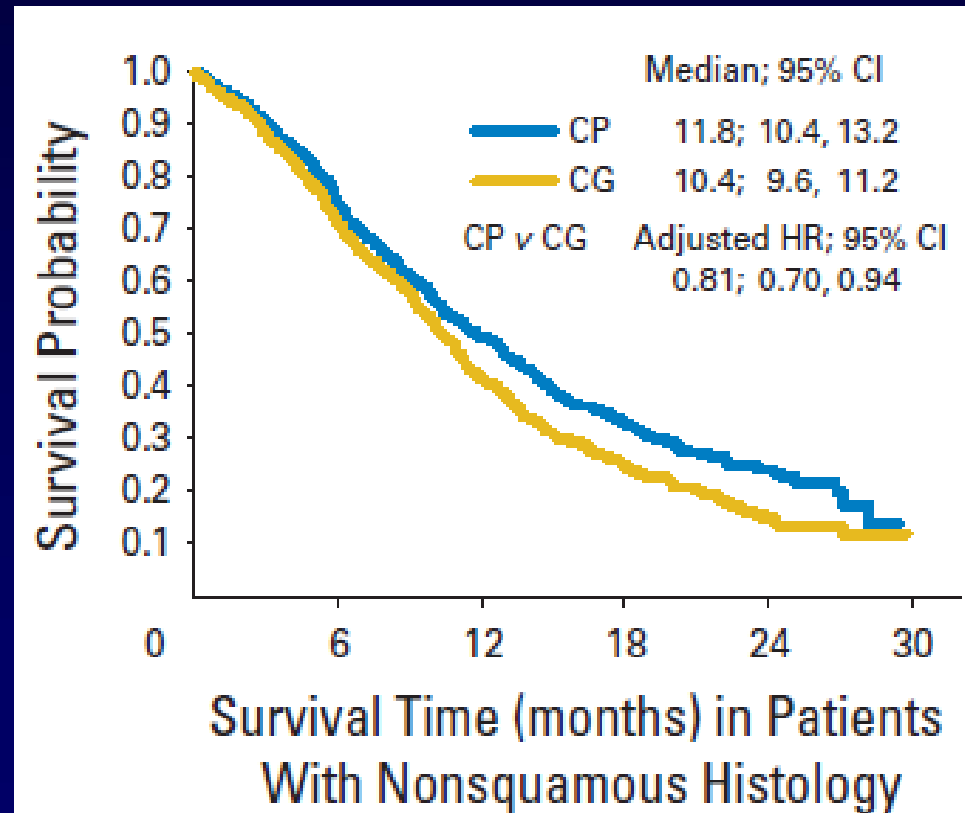


# Pemetrexed vs Gemcitabine (+CDDP)

- Pemetrexed 500 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on day 1
- Cisplatin 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on day 1

- Adenocarcinoma + LCC  
→ Pemetrexed better

- SCC  
→ Gemcitabine better



# Meta-Analysis of Individual Patient Data: 6 Cycles vs 3-4 Cycles of First-Line Chemotherapy

## OS

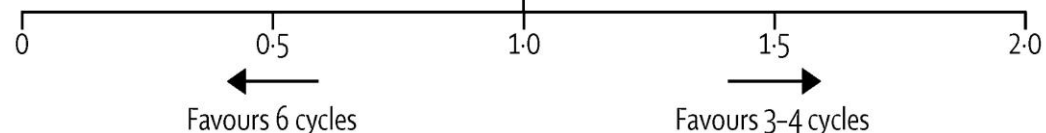
	Events (n)/patients (n)		HR	Unadjusted HR (95% CI)
	6 cycles	3-4 cycles		
Smith et al <sup>11</sup> (n=308)	133/153	138/155		0.85 (0.67-1.07)
von Plessen et al <sup>12</sup> (n=297)	144/147	144/150		1.04 (0.83-1.31)
Park et al <sup>13</sup> (n=314)	93/158	85/156		1.21 (0.90-1.63)
Barata et al <sup>16</sup> (n=220)	107/110	107/110		0.75 (0.58-0.99)
<b>Overall (n=1139)</b>	<b>477/568</b>	<b>474/571</b>		<b>0.94 (0.83-1.07)*</b>

p ( $\chi^2$  for heterogeneity)=0.076,  $I^2$ =56%

## PFS

von Plessen et al <sup>12</sup> (n=297)	147/147	150/150		0.85 (0.68-1.07)
Park et al <sup>13</sup> (n=314)	146/158	147/156		0.73 (0.58-0.92)
Barata et al <sup>16</sup> (n=220)	108/110	110/110		0.78 (0.60-1.02)
<b>Overall (n=831)</b>	<b>401/415</b>	<b>407/416</b>		<b>0.79 (0.68-0.90)*</b>

p ( $\chi^2$  for heterogeneity)=0.66,  $I^2$ =0%



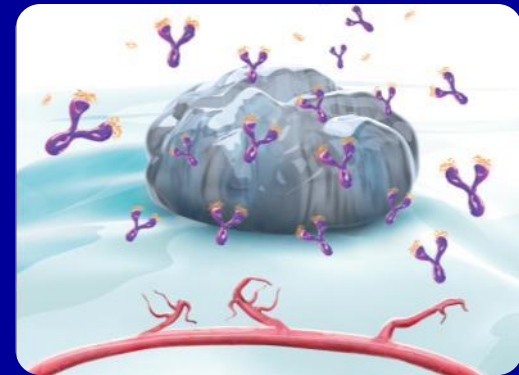
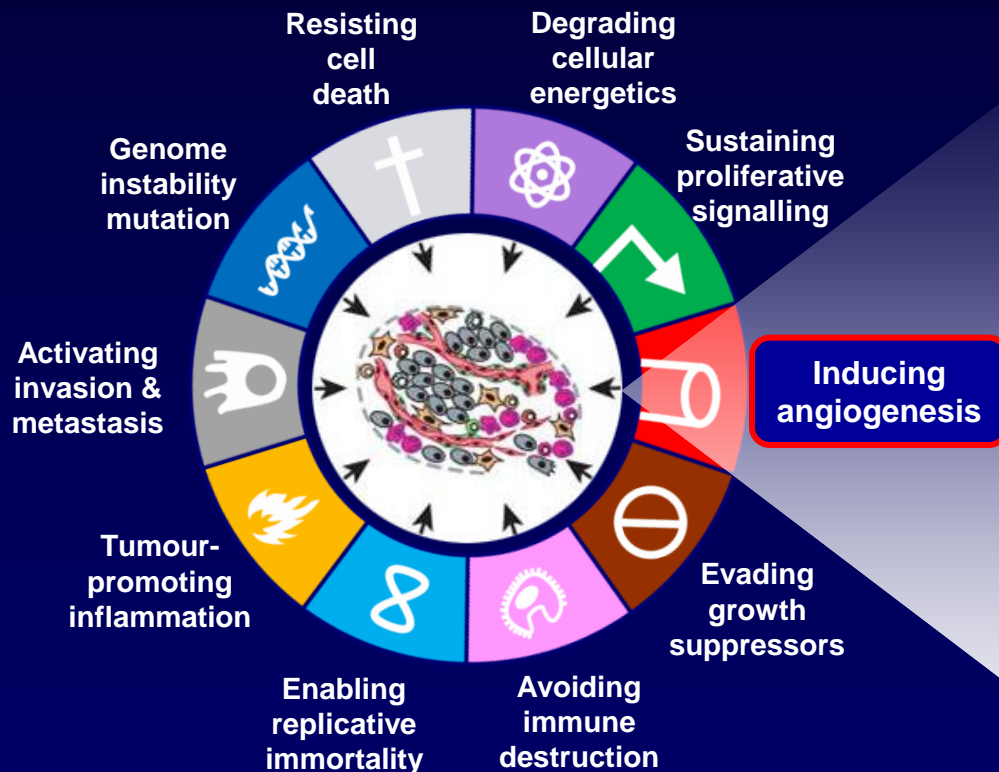
**OS; HR = 0.94 (95% CI, 0.83 to 1.07; P = .33 (stratified by trial))**

**PFS; HR = 0.79 (95% CI 0.68 to 0.90), P = .0007 (stratified by trial)**

Rossi A, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2014;15(11):1254-1262.

**Antiangiogenic?**

# Angiogenesis: a Hallmark of Cancer



## Anti-VEGF therapy

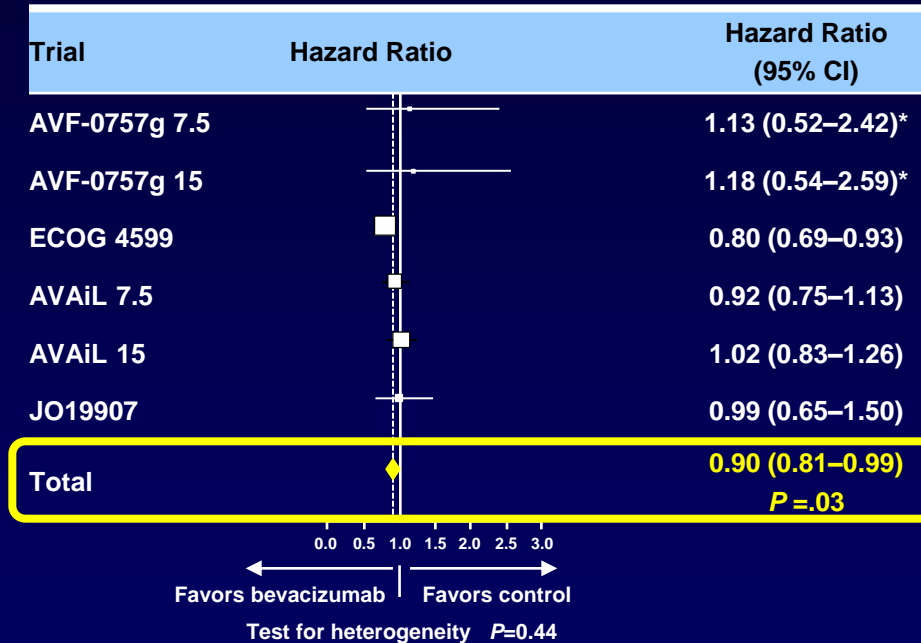
- Regression of existing tumour vasculature
- Inhibition of new vessel growth
- No bone marrow suppression
- No cumulative toxicities

**Improved efficacy in combination with a well-established safety profile**

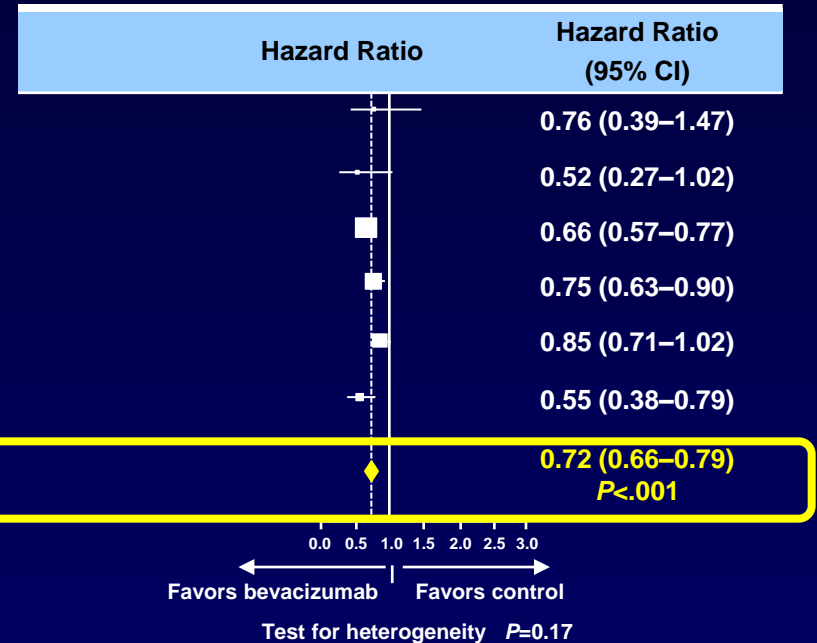
# Bevacizumab + Platinum-Based Chemotherapy: First-Line Treatment of Advanced Nonsquamous NSCLC

Meta-analysis of efficacy data from first-line RCTs

## Overall survival



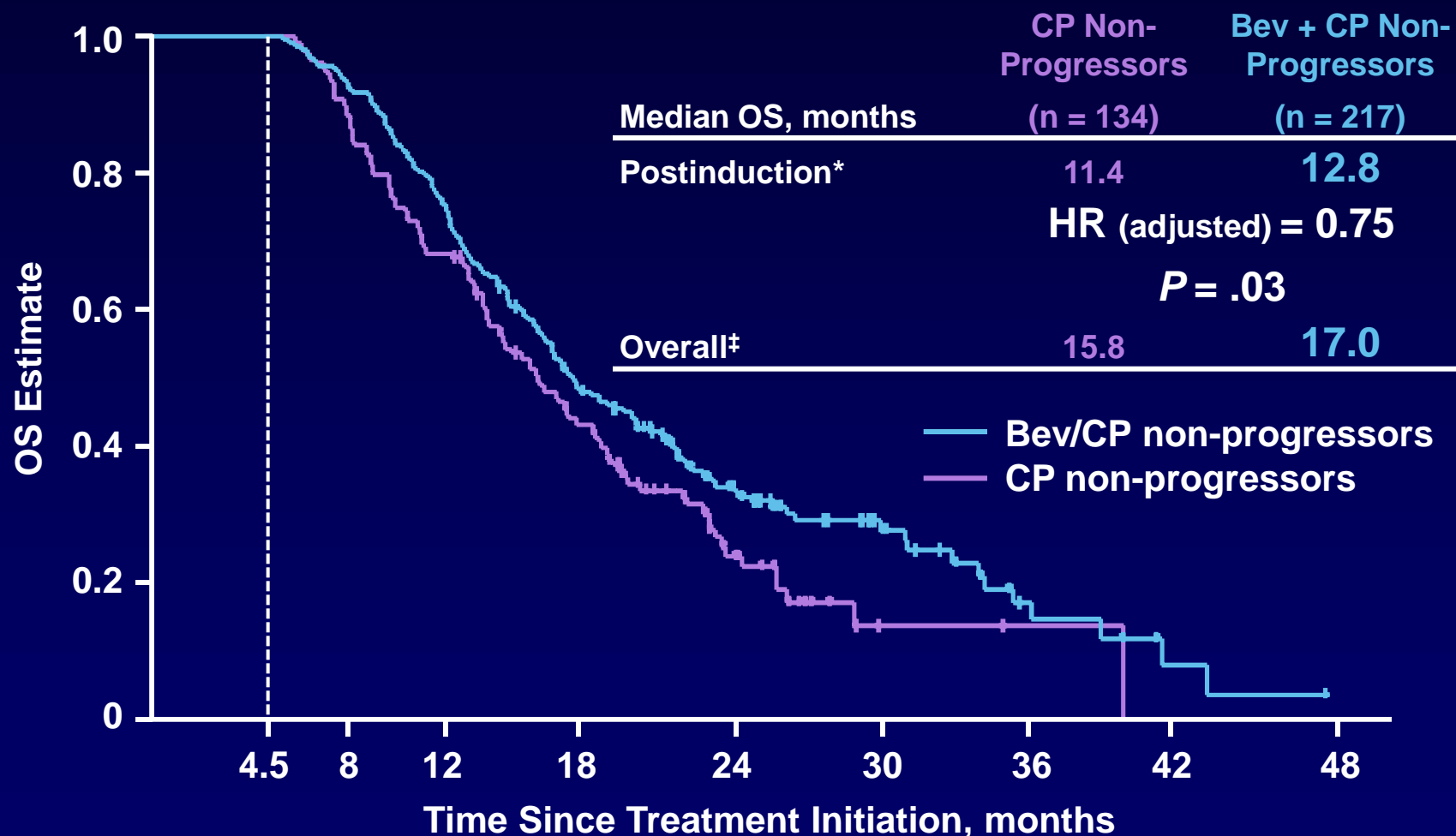
## Progression-free survival



**Overall survival and progression-free survival significantly improved by addition of bevacizumab to chemotherapy in NSCLC (primarily nonsquamous) patients**

\*AVF-0757g trial: direction of OS HR unknown, worst scenario chosen  
RCTs, randomized controlled trials; CI, confidence interval. Results as reported in meta-analysis

# E4599: Retrospective Analyses of Non-Progressors on Study 21 Days After Cycle 6

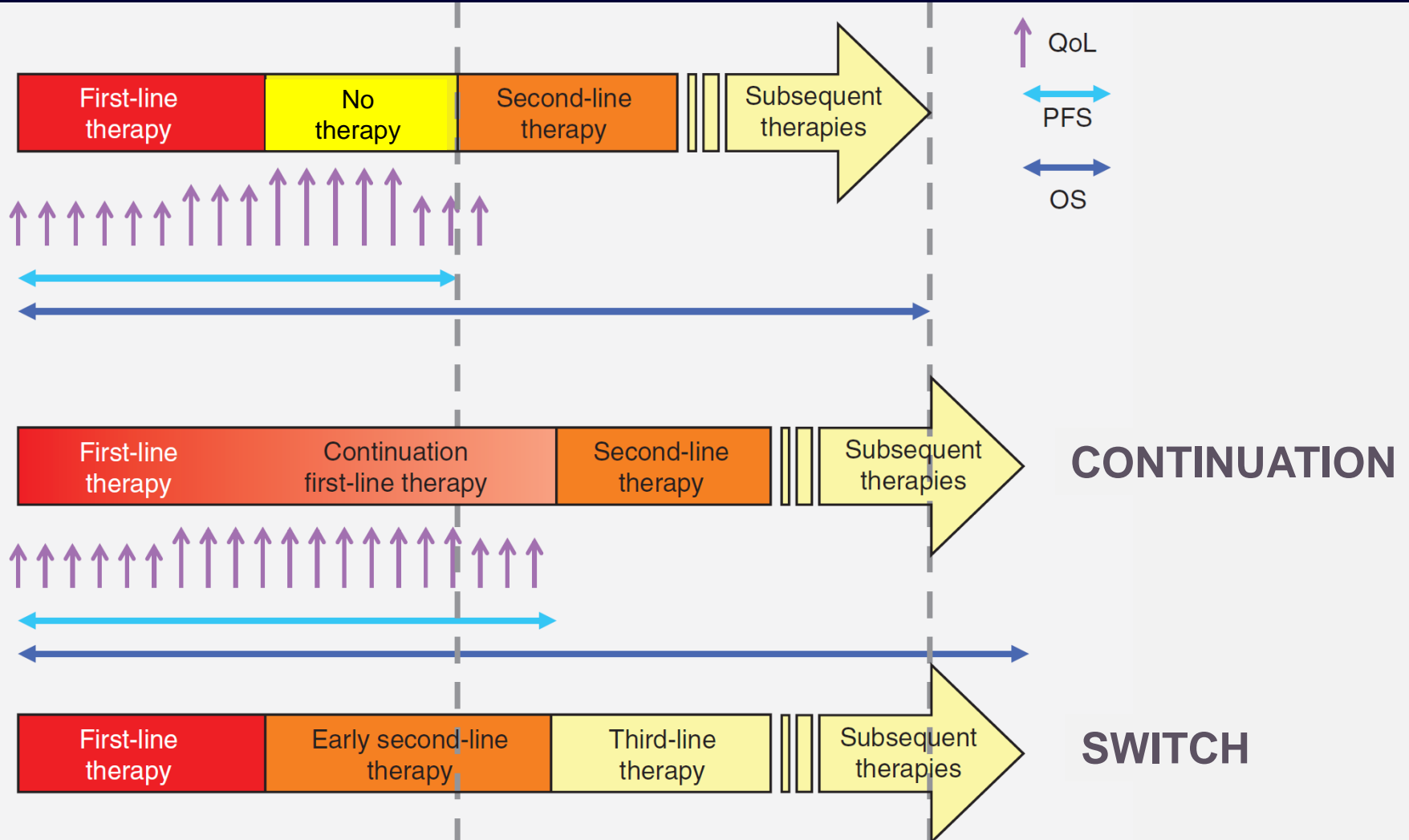


\*Calculated from the landmark date +21 days; ‡Calculated from start of induction treatment

Sandler A. et al. *J Thoracic Oncol.* 2011;6(Suppl 2): Abstract P3.216

**Maintenance?**

# Maintenance Therapy Strategies



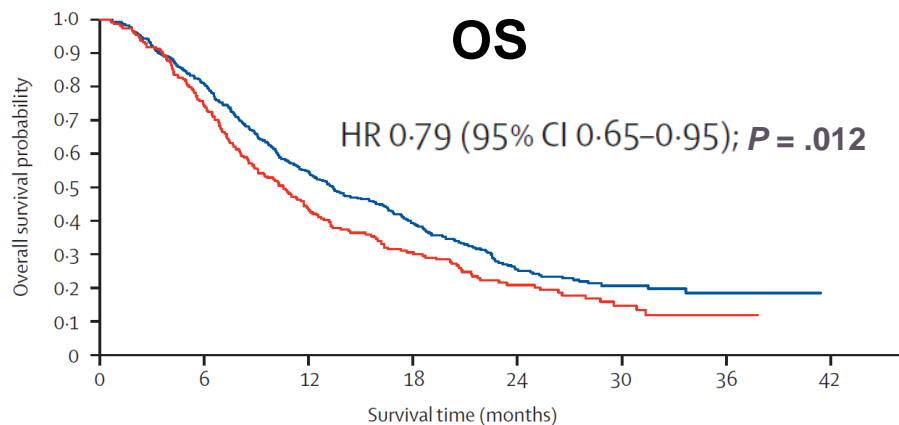
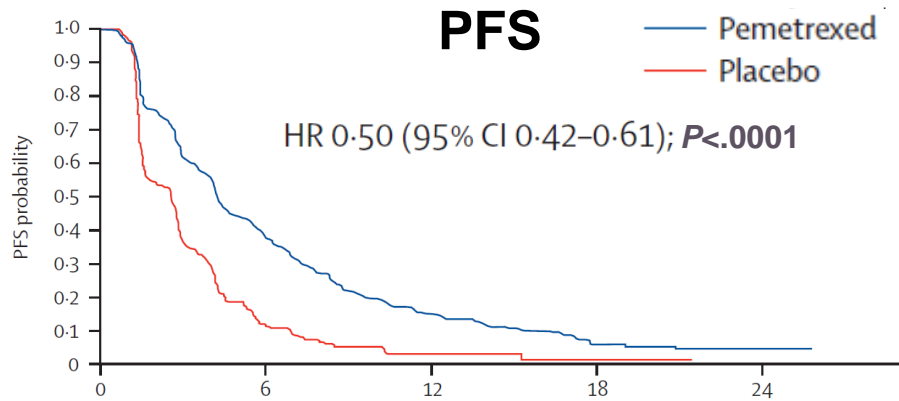
QoL, quality of life

Polo V, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2014;25(7):1283-1293.



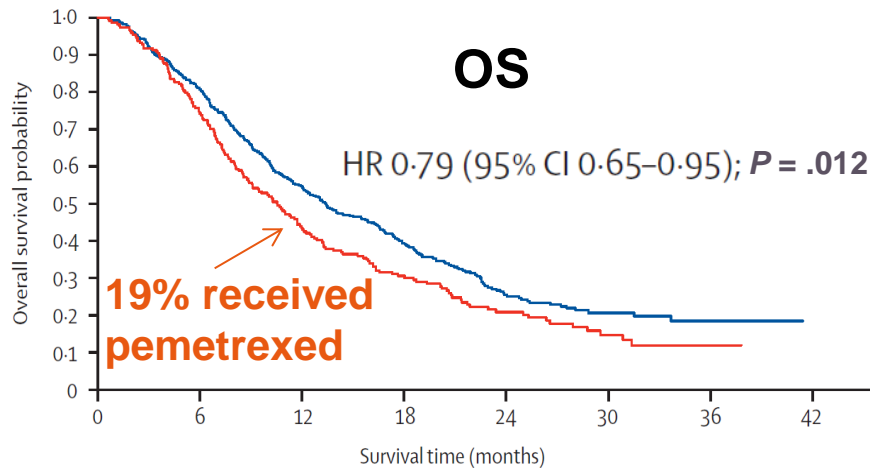
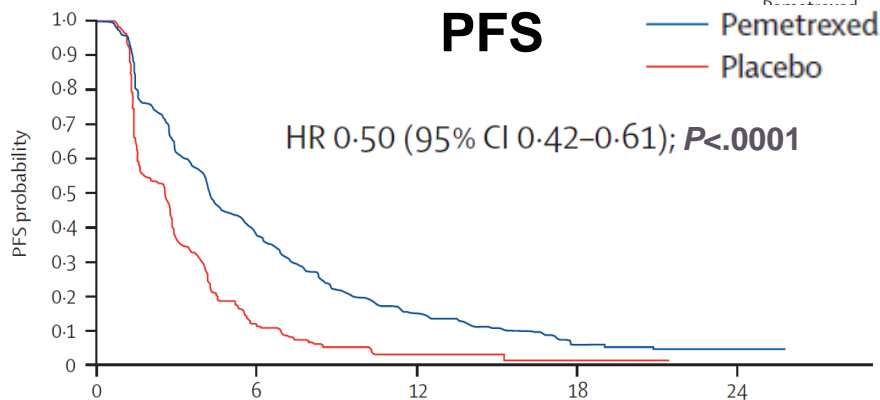
# Switch Maintenance

**Pemetrexed vs Placebo,  
(induction CT without pemetrexed)**

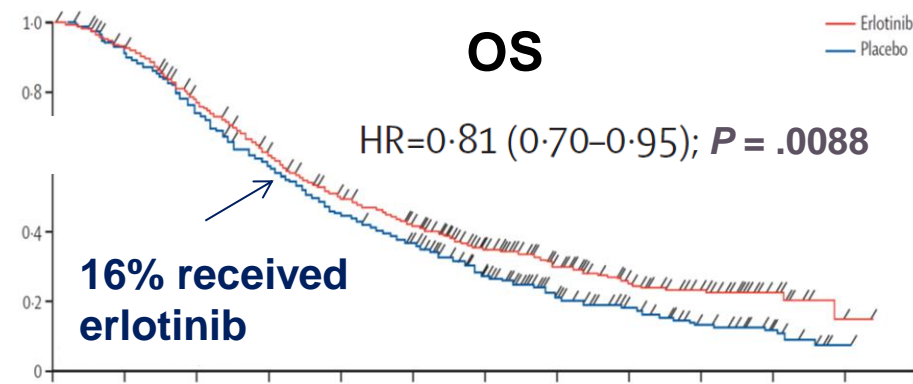
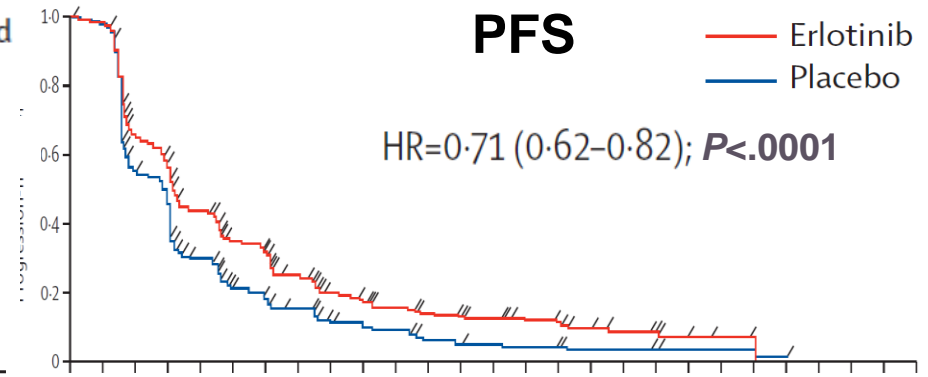


# Switch Maintenance

**Pemetrexed vs Placebo<sup>1</sup>,  
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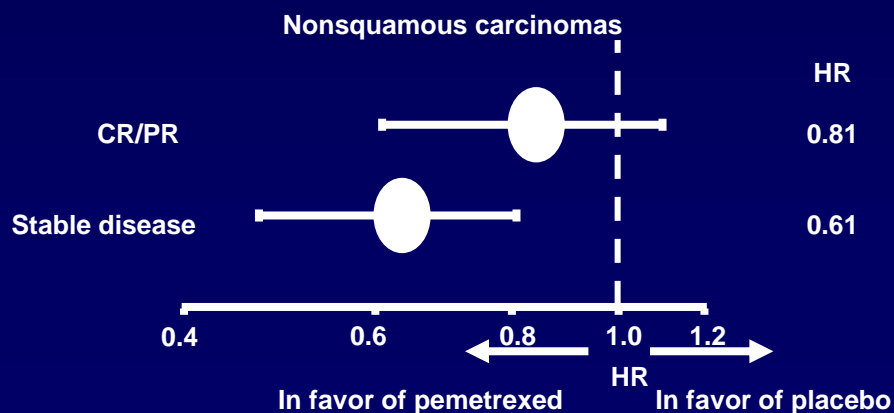
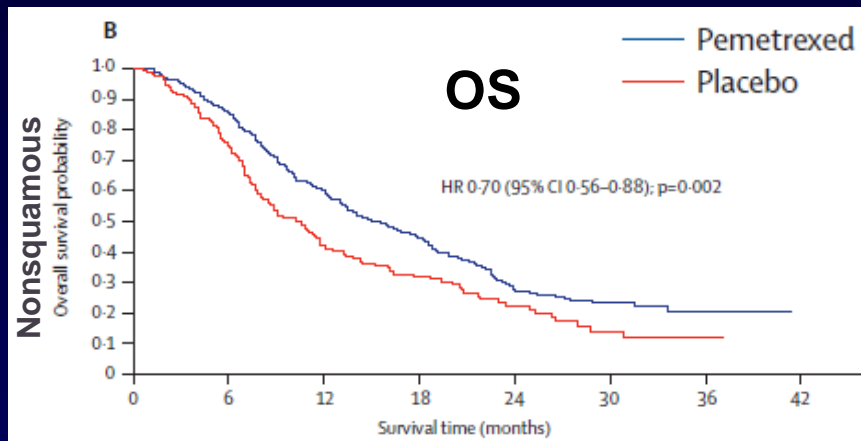
**Erlotinib vs Placebo<sup>2</sup>**



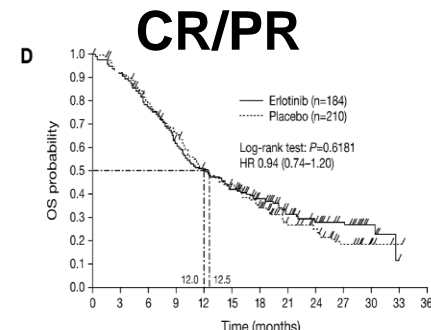
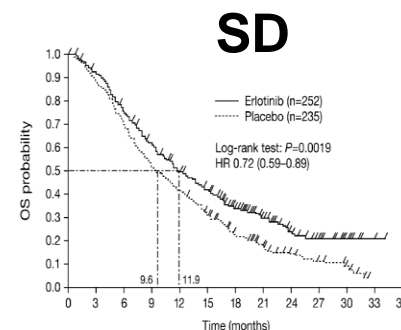
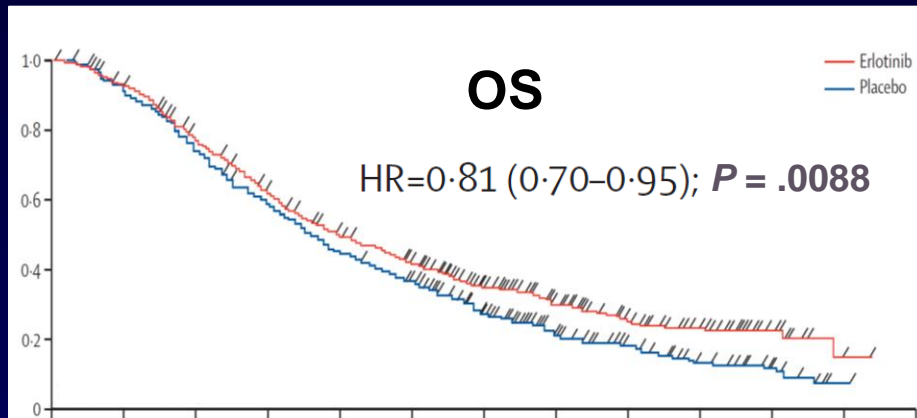
1. Ciuleanu T, et al. *Lancet*. 2009;374(9699):1432-1440; 2. Cappuzzo F, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2010;11(6):521-529.

# Switch Maintenance vs Response to First-Line Chemotherapy

## Pemetrexed vs Placebo (induction CT without pemetrexed)



## Erlotinib vs Placebo



**HR = 0.72 (0.59-0.89)      HR = 0.94 (0.74-1.20)**

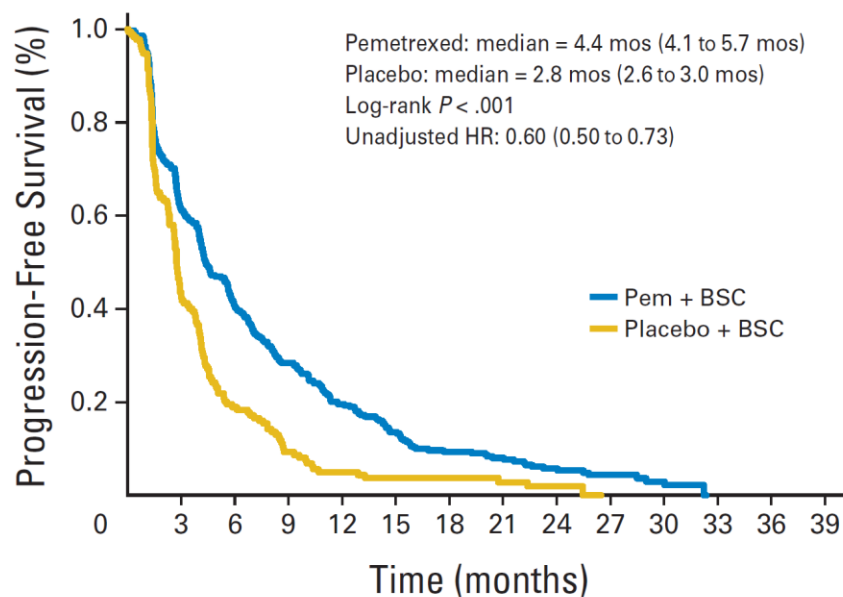
SD, stable disease

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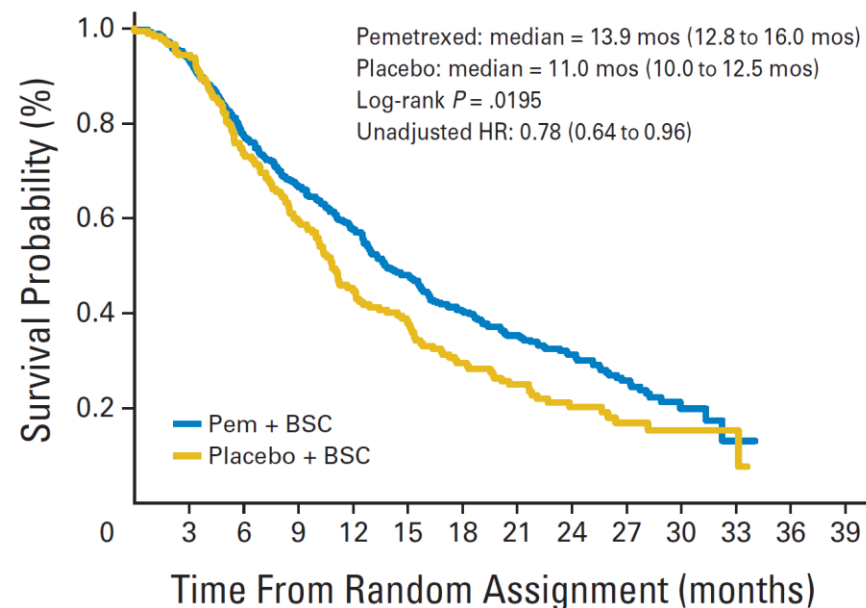
# PARAMOUNT Trial: Pemetrexed vs Placebo After 4 Cycles Pemetrexed/Cisplatin

## PFS



No. at risk												
Pem + BSC	359	215	139	97	67	47	32	22	16	10	5	0
Placebo + BSC	180	75	33	16	9	7	6	4	2	0	0	0

## OS



No. at risk													
Pem + BSC	359	333	272	235	200	166	138	105	79	43	15	2	0
Placebo + BSC	180	169	131	103	78	65	49	35	23	12	8	3	0

Induction response

CR/PR 242



0.48 (0.34-0.67)

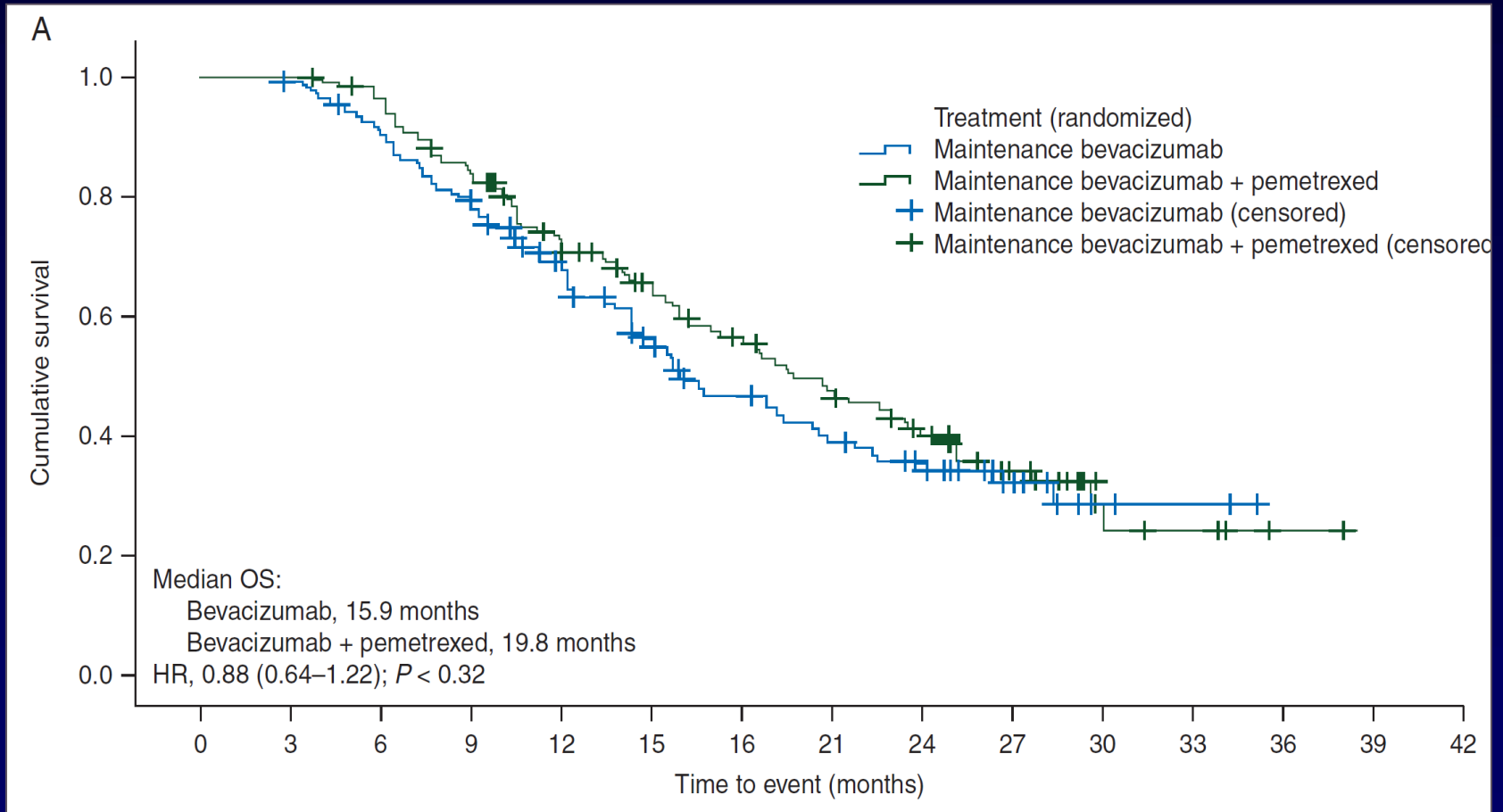
SD 280



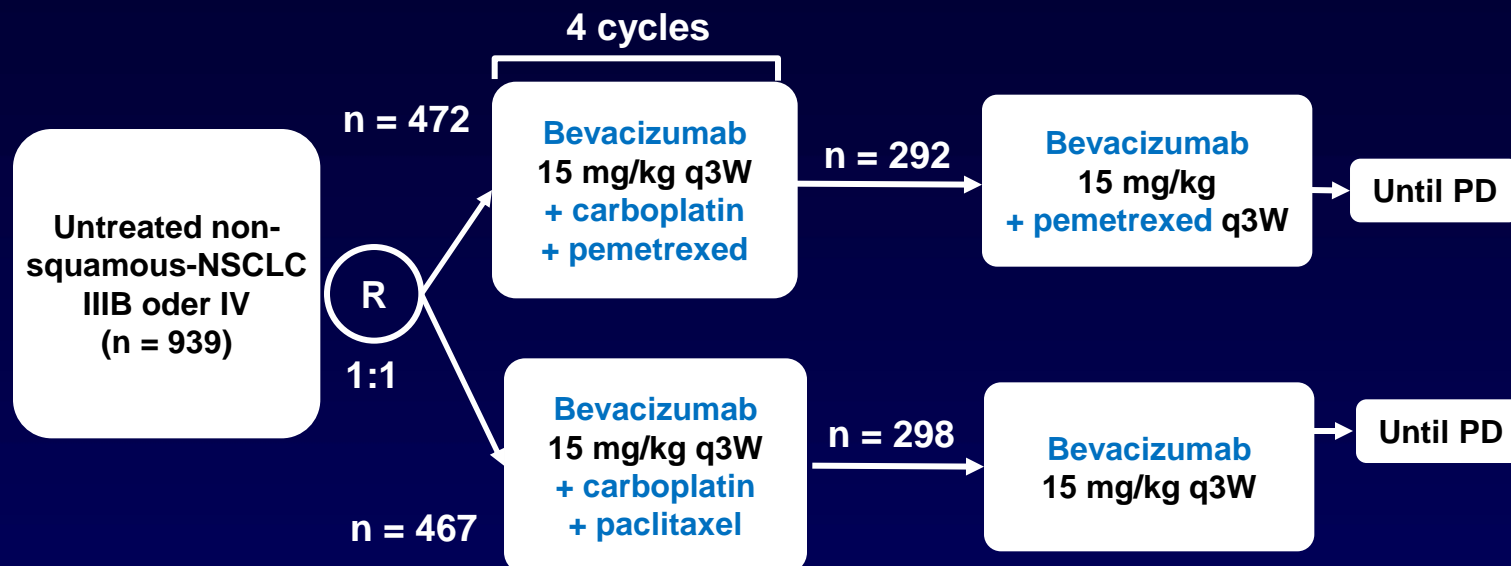
0.74 (0.53-1.04)

# AVAPERL Trial: Pemetrexed + Bevacizumab vs Bevacizumab After 4 Cycles

## Pemetrexed/Cisplatin/Bevacizumab



# Bevacizumab Combinations: The Pointbreak-Trial



	OS	TTP	DCR
	Prim.	Sec.	
Beva/Carbo/Pem – Beva/Pem	12.6 months	6.0 months	65.9%
Beva/Carbo/Tax – Beva	12.4 months	5.4 months	69.8%

PD, progressive disease

Patel JD, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2013;31(34):4349-4357.

**Second Line**

# NSCLC—Second Line Therapy Options

BSC (BR.21 Study): Median OS 4.7 months<sup>1</sup>

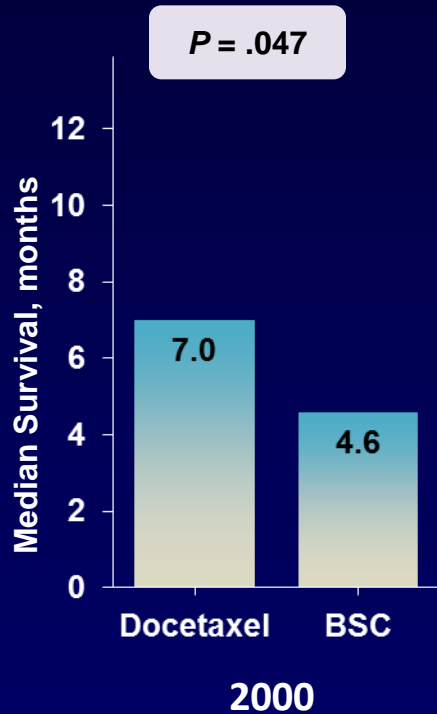
Approved in Europe:

- Docetaxel
- Nintedanib + docetaxel (adenocarcinoma)
- Pemetrexed (adenocarcinoma)
- Erlotinib
- Gefitinib (*EGFR* mutation)
- Crizotinib (*ALK* translocation)

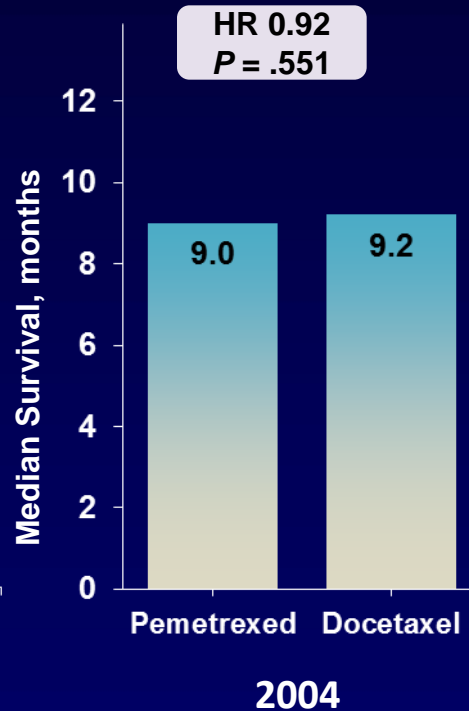


# Adenocarcinoma: Second-Line Treatment Options

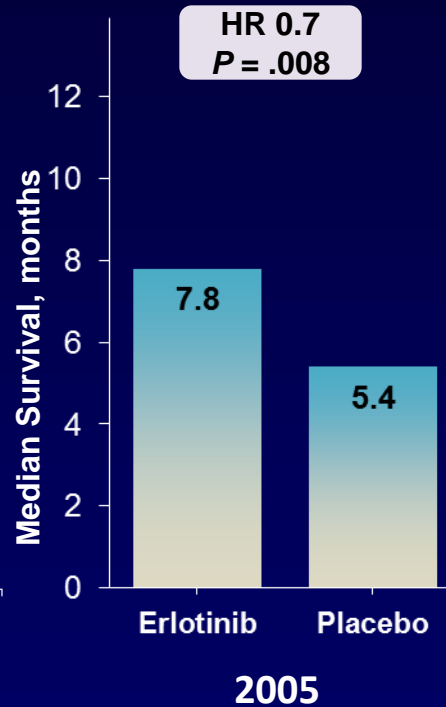
## Docetaxel TAX 317<sup>\*,1</sup>



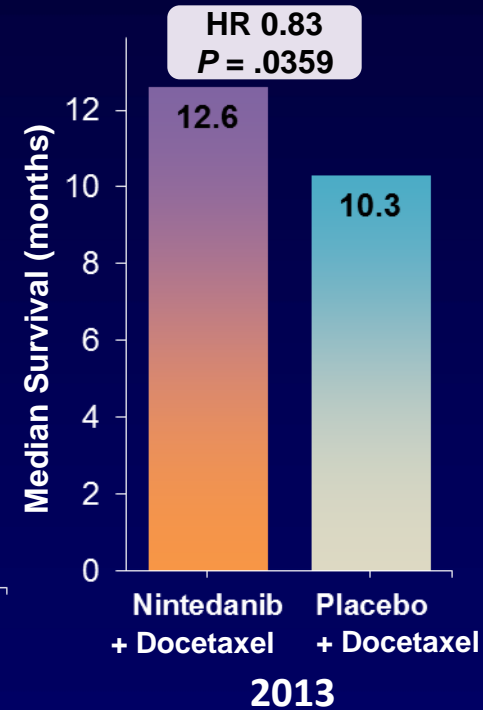
## Pemetrexed JMEI<sup>2,3</sup> (Noninferiority)



## Erlotinib BR.21<sup>4,5</sup>



## Nintedanib LUME-Lung 1<sup>6,7</sup>



BSC, best supportive care; HR, hazard ratio

1. Shepherd FA, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2000;18(10):2095-2103.
2. Hanna N, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2004;22(9):1589-1597.
3. Scagliotti G, et al. *Oncologist*. 2009;14(3):253-263.
4. Shepherd FA, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2005;353(2):123-132.
5. Wojtowitz-Praga S, et al. *Ann Oncol*. 2012;23(suppl 9): Abstract 1277P.
6. Reck M, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2013;(suppl): Abstract LBA8011.
7. Reck M, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2014;15(2):143-155.

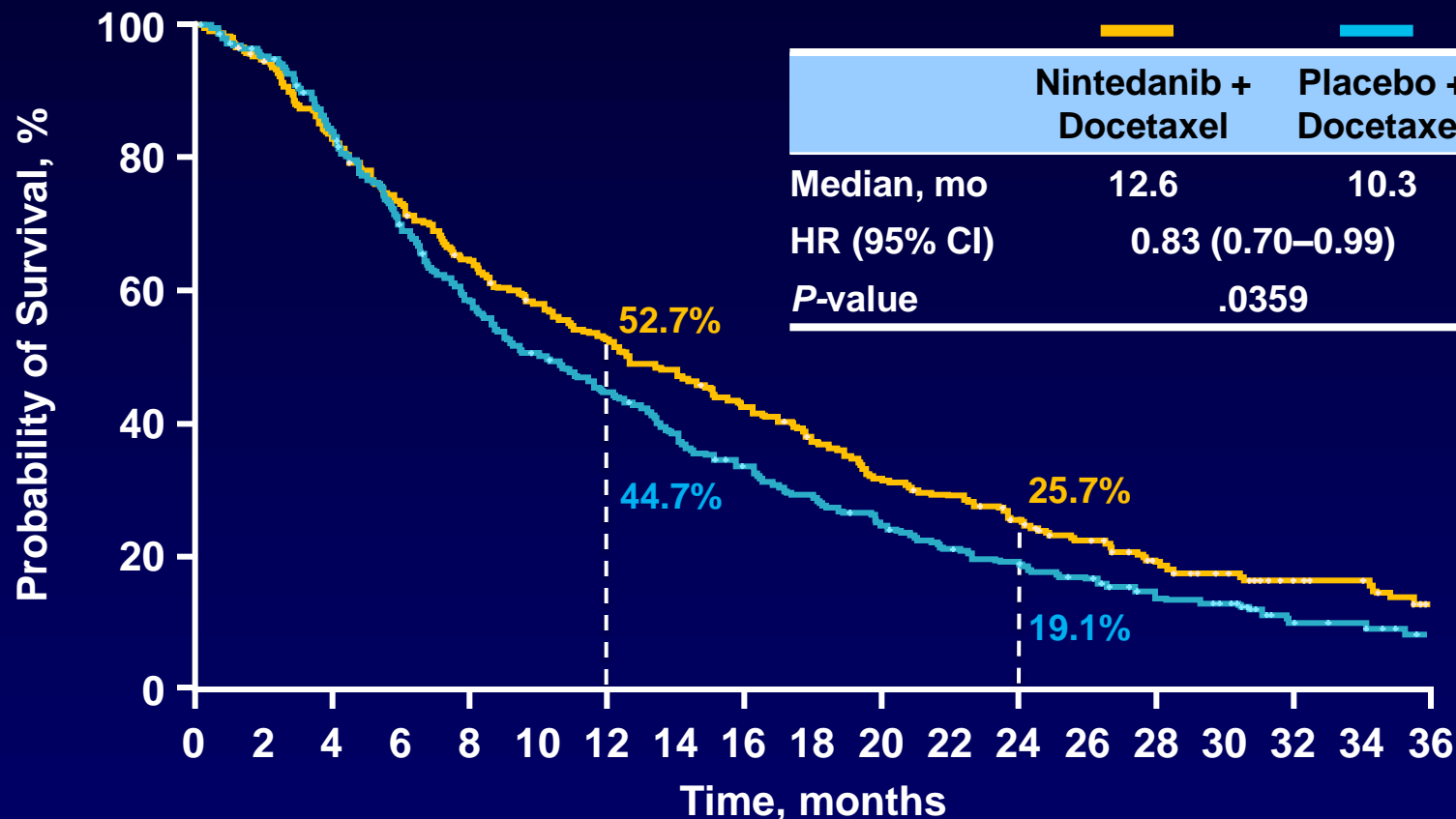
# Second-Line Therapy of NSCLC: Novel Therapeutic Approaches

Drug	Target	Phase
Nintedanib	Inhibitor of VEGFR1, 2, 3; PDGFR $\alpha$ , $\beta$ ; FGFR1, 2, 3; FLT3; RET, Src	III <b>Approved in EU</b>
Pazopanib	Inhibitor of VEGFR1, 2, 3; PDGFR $\alpha$ , $\beta$ ; c-KIT	II/III
Ramucirumab	VEGFR2- Antibody	III <b>Approved in US</b>

Drug (Immunotherapy)	Target	Phase
Nivolumab	PD-1 Checkpoint-Inhibitor	III
Ipilimumab	Anti-CTLA-4 Antibody	III
MPDL3280A	PD-1 Checkpoint-Inhibitor	II/III
MK-3475	Anti-PD-1 Antibody	II/III
BMS-936559	Anti-PD-L1 Antibody	I

# LUME-LUNG 1: Positive OS in Patients With Adenocarcinoma Histology (Key Secondary Endpoint)

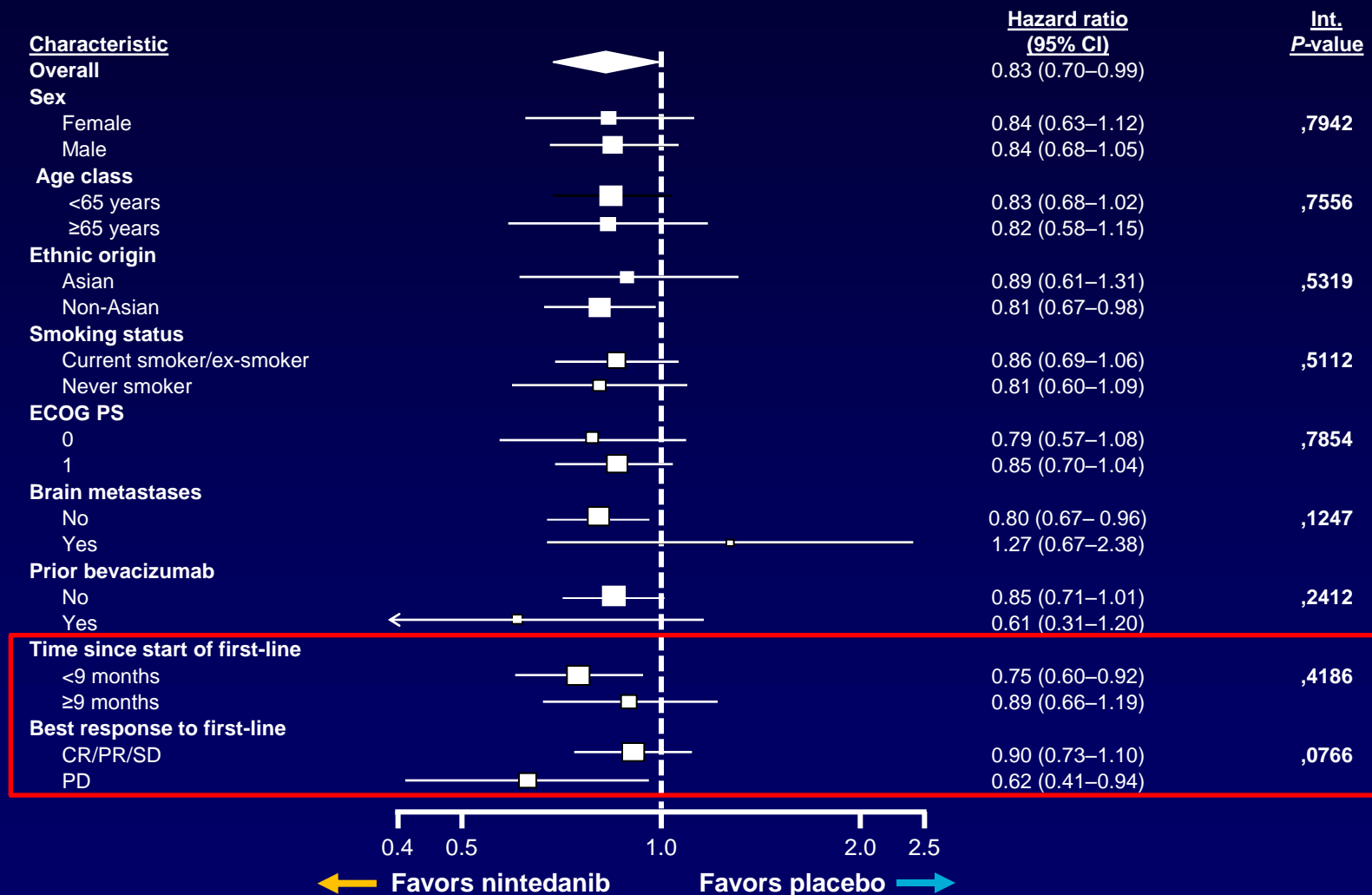
Patients with adenocarcinoma histology



No. at risk:	322	302	263	230	203	180	163	149	131	113	96	87	72	59	46	36	25	22	10
Nintedanib	336	312	269	219	184	159	139	119	101	88	73	62	55	46	33	29	15	13	7
Placebo																			

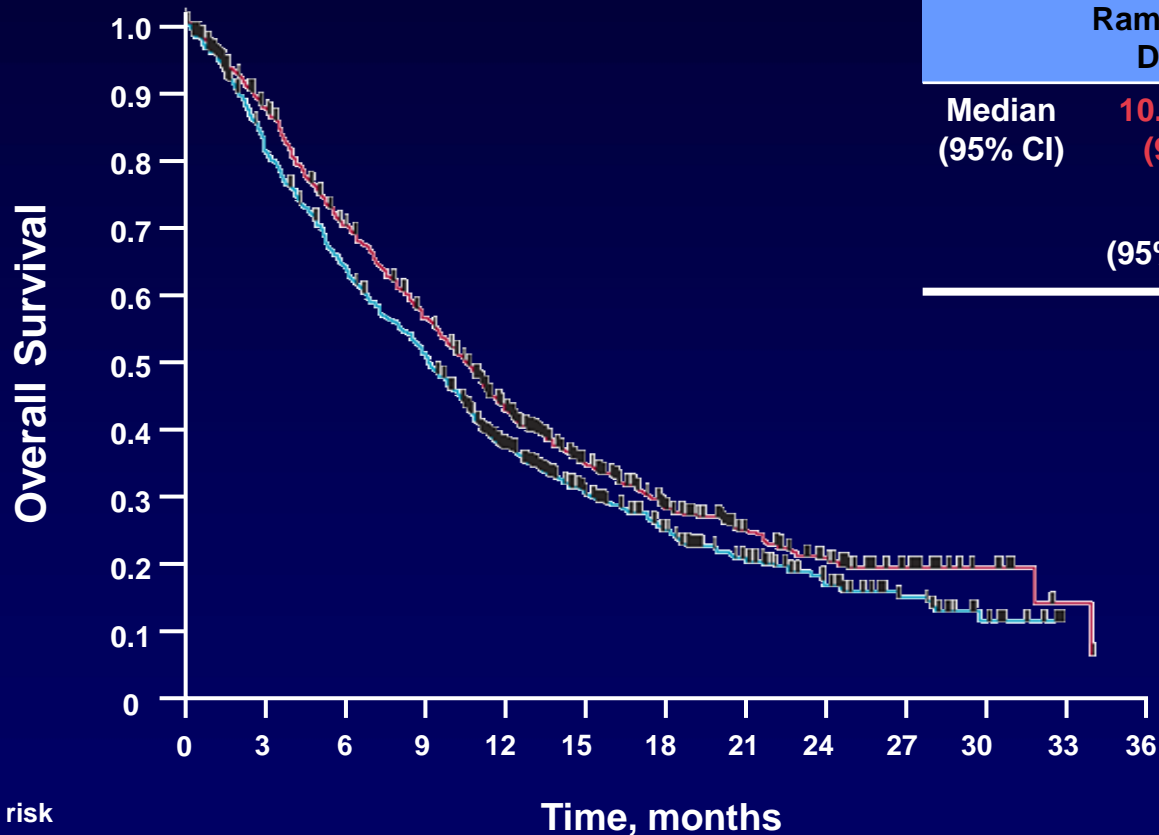
# LUME-LUNG 1: Subgroup Analyses on Survival Patients With Adenocarcinoma Histology

Patients with adenocarcinoma histology



# REVEL Trial: Overall Survival

All Patients (Primary Endpoint)



	Ramucirumab + Docetaxel	Placebo + Docetaxel
Median	10.5 months	9.1 months
(95% CI)	(9.5-11.2)	(8.4-10.0)
Stratified HR 0.86 (95% CI 0.75-0.98); $P = .023$		

Number at risk

Ramucirumab  
+ docetaxel

628 527 415 329 231 156 103 70 45 23 11 2 0

Placebo  
+ docetaxel

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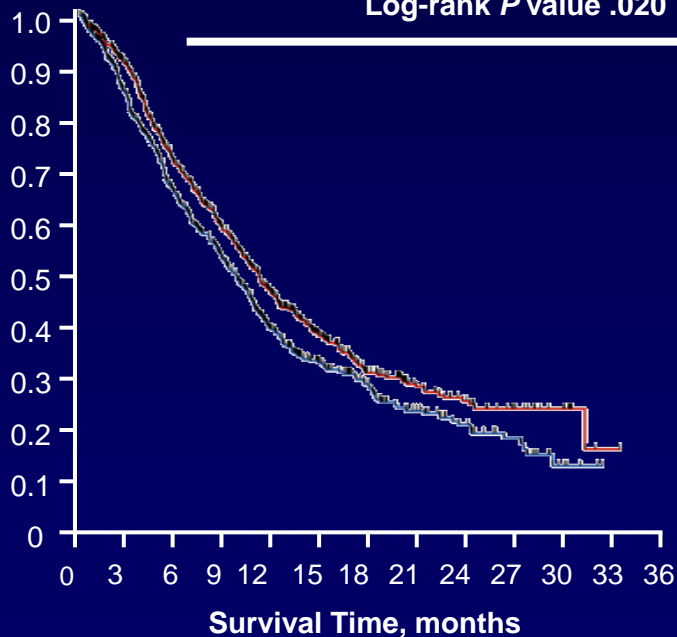
Garon EB, et al. *Lancet*. 2014;384(9944):665-673.

# REVEL Trial: Overall Survival

## Nonsquamous histology

	Ramucirumab + Docetaxel	Placebo + Docetaxel
Median	11.1	9.7
(95% CI)	(9.9,12.3)	(8.5,10.6)

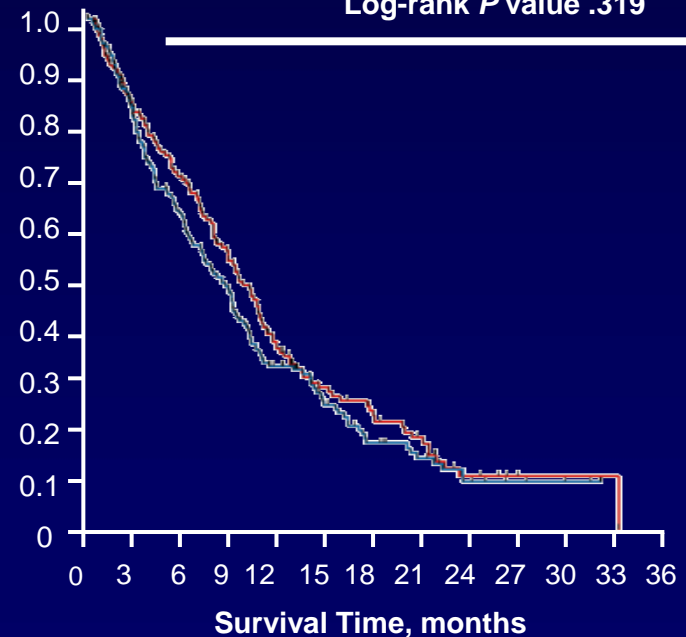
HR (95% CI) = 0.830  
(0.708,0.972)  
Log-rank *P* value .020



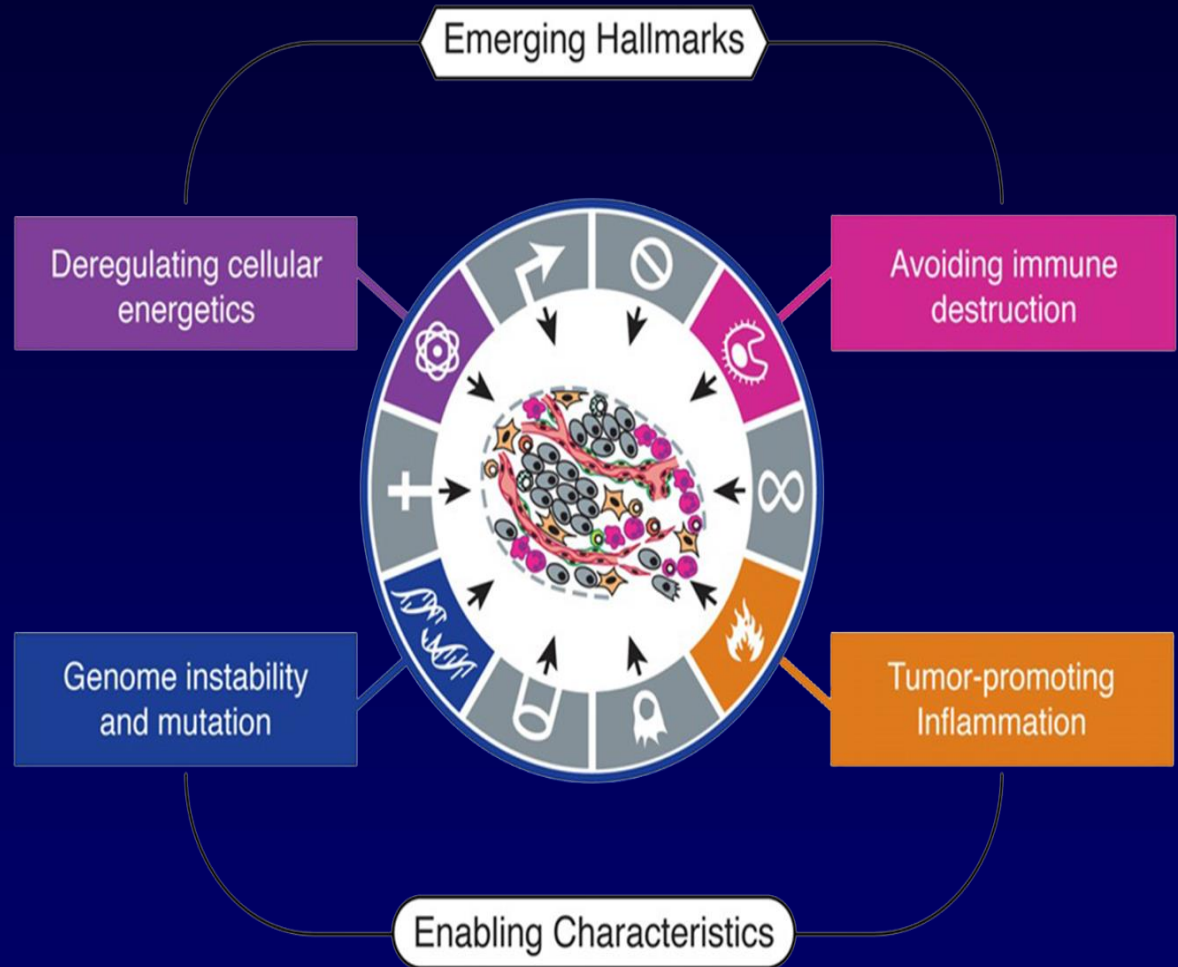
## Squamous histology

	Ramucirumab + Docetaxel	Placebo + Docetaxel
Median	9.5	8.2
(95% CI)	(8.0,10.8)	(6.3, 9.4)

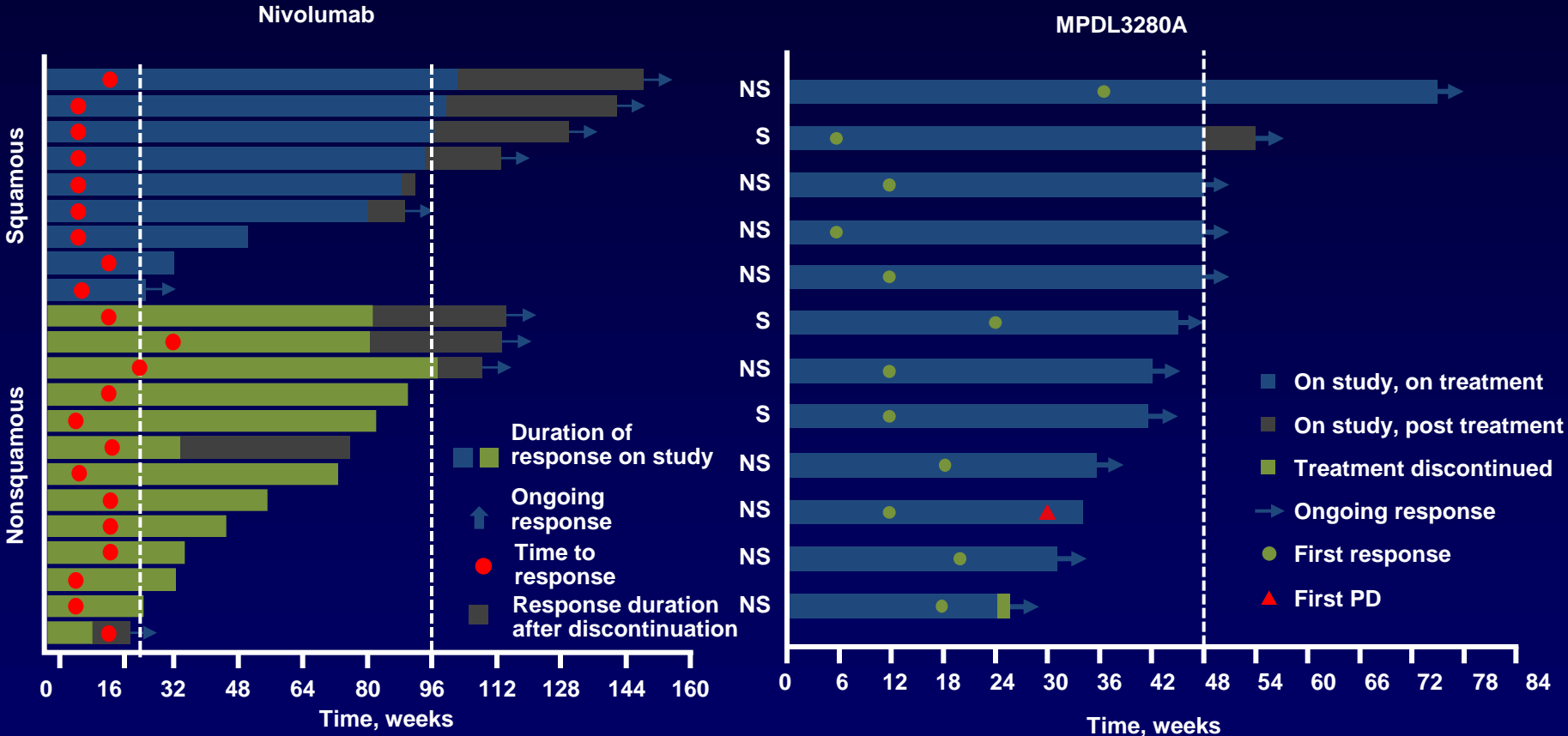
HR (95% CI) = 0.883  
(0.692,1.127)  
Log-rank *P* value .319



# Immuno-Oncology and “Hallmarks of Cancer”



# Impact of Histology: Efficacy of Anti-PD1/PD-L1 Antibodies

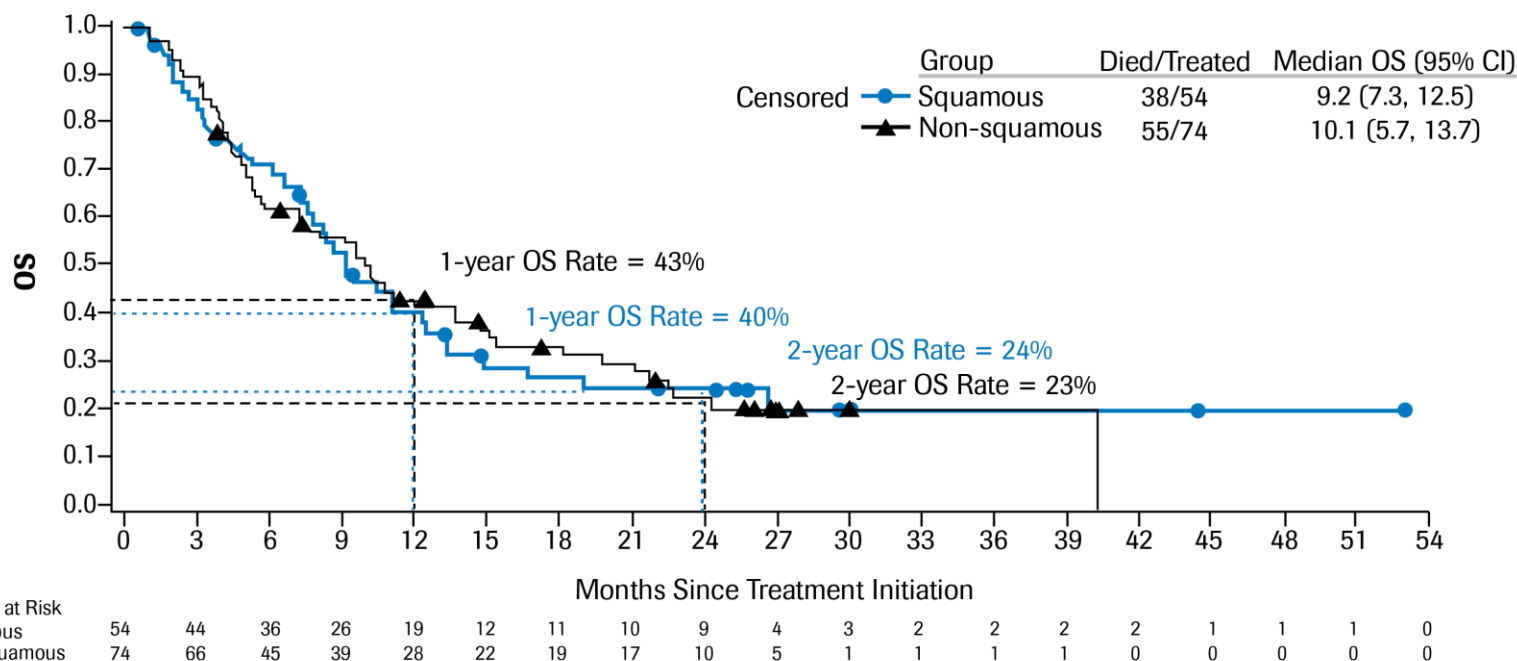


**Brahmer JR, et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2013;8(Suppl 2): Abstract: MO18.03. Horn L, et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2013;8(Suppl 2): Abstract: MO18.01.**



# Overall Survival by Histology in Patients With NSCLC Nivolumab, Phase I Data

Previously treated patients with advanced NSCLC received IV nivolumab (1 mg/kg, 3 mg/kg, or 10 mg/kg)



# Efficacy According to PDL-1 Immunohistochemistry

	Anti PD1		Anti PD-L 1	
	<b>MK-3475</b> ORR n/N (%)	<b>Nivolumab</b> ORR n/N (%)	<b>MEDI4736</b> ORR n/N (%)	<b>MPDL3280A</b> ORR n/N (%)
All patients	(21%)	22/129 (17.1%)	9/58 (16%)	12/53 (23%)
PD-L1 Status (evaluable pts)				
Positive	37/159 (23%)	5/31 (16%)	5/20 (25%)	8/26 (31%)
Negative	3/35 (9%)	4/32 (13%)	1/29 (3%)	4/20 (20%)

## Key questions about PD-L1 assessment:

- Variability in tissue collection timing
- Cell sampling
- mAb used for staining
- IHC criteria

Horn L, et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2013;8(Suppl 2): Abstract MO18.01. Brahmer JR, et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2013;8 (Suppl2): Abstract MO1803. Antonia SJ, et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2013;8(Suppl 2): AbstractP2 11-034. Garon E, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2014;32(5S): Abstract 8020. Brahmer J, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2014;32(5S): Abstract 8021.

# Some Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors Ongoing Trials in Late-Stage Development for Advanced NSCLC

	Study/ No.	Phase	Indication(s)	N	Comparator	Primary Endpoint
PD-1						
Nivolumab	CheckMate 057 NCT01673867/ CA209-057	III	Advanced/metastatic nonsquamous NSCLC, second/third-line	574	Docetaxel	OS
	CheckMate 153 NCT02066636	IIIb/IV	Advanced/metastatic after progression during or after at least 1 therapy	780		Safety
	CheckMate 026 NCT02041533/ CA209-026	III	Advanced/metastatic PD-L1 positive NSCLC, first-line	495	Investigator's choice of chemotherapy	PFS
MK-3745	MK-3475-010/ KEYNOTE-010 NCT01905657	II/III	Previously treated PD-L1 positive NSCLC	920	Docetaxel	OS, PFS, safety
	MK-3475-024 NCT02142738	III	Metastatic NSCLC PD-L1 strong; first-line	300	Platinum-based chemotherapy	PFS
PD-L1						
MPDL3280A	OAK NCT01903993	III	Locally advanced or metastatic NSCLC, after progression on platinum-based chemo	1100	Docetaxel	OS
	BIRCH NCT02031458	II	Locally advanced or metastatic NSCLC, PD-L1 positive	635	Single arm study	ORR
MEDI4736	ATLANTIC NCT02087423	II	Third-line therapy in locally advanced or metastatic NSCLC PD-L1-positive	184	None	ORR

# How I Would Treat This Patient

**Nonsquamous NSCLC stage IV, 63 years, PS1**

History: Adjuvant Chemotherapy With Cisplatin/Vinorelbine

Routine Molecular Testing:  
EGFR, ALK, ROS1

*Consider Clinical Study*

Eligible for Bevacizumab?

**Carboplatin + Paclitaxel + Bevacizumab for 4 Cycles  
Followed by Bevacizumab Maintenance**

**Pemetrexed**

**Docetaxel + Nintedanib/Ramucirumab**

**(Erlotinib)**

*Consider Clinical Study*

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