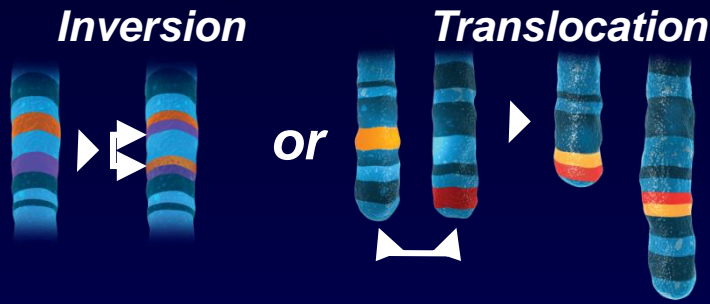


Case #3—Adenocarcinoma With *ALK* Rearrangement: Selecting Optimal Approach

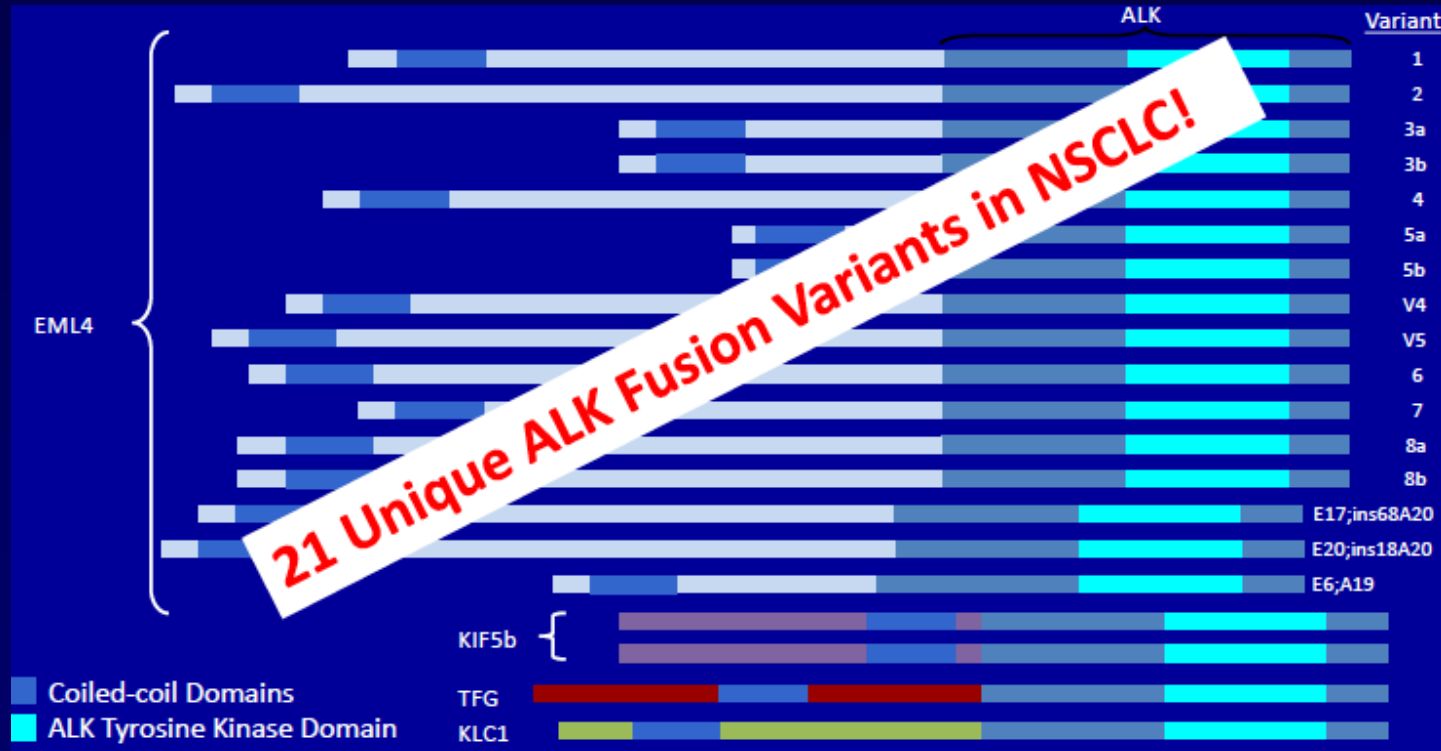
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EML4–ALK Fusion Oncogene Key Driver in 2% to 7% NSCLC



Constitutive ALK activation
→ oncogene addiction



ALK, anaplastic lymphoma kinase; EML4, echinoderm microtubule-associated protein like 4

Soda M, et al. *Nature*. 2007;448(7153):561-566. Kwak EL, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2010;363(18):1693-1703.

ALK-Positive NSCLC: Clinical Characteristics

- Higher prevalence of *EML4*-ALK fusion in patients with:
 - Adenocarcinoma histology
 - Never/light smoking history
 - Younger
- Incidence similar: Europe (3.7%), US (8% ADC), Asia (5.8% ADC)

Example: Lung Cancer Mutation Consortium Analysis of Adenocarcinomas			
N = 643	ALK-positive	ALK-negative	P
Mean age	52.3 years	59.9 years	<.0001
Smoking history			
Current	3%	8%	.0001
Former	33%	61%	
Never	64%	31%	

Rodig SJ, et al. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2009;15(16):5216-5223. Shaw AT, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2009;27(26):4247-4253. Varella Garcia M, et al. *J Thorac Oncol*. 2011;6(Suppl 2): Abstract O05.01. Barlesi F, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2013;31(Suppl): Abstract 8000. Kris MG, et al. *JAMA*. 2014;311(19):1998-2006. Sun Y, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2010;28(30):4616-4620.

Which Is Best First-Line? Crizotinib vs Chemotherapy

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Key entry criteria

- *ALK*-positive by central FISH testing^a
- Locally advanced, recurrent, or metastatic non-squamous NSCLC
- No prior systemic treatment for advanced disease
- ECOG PS 0-2
- Measurable disease
- Stable treated brain metastases allowed

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N = 343

Crizotinib
250 mg BID PO,
continuous dosing
(n = 172)

Pemetrexed
500 mg/m²
+
cisplatin 75 mg/m² or
carboplatin AUC 5-6
q3w for ≤6 cycles
(n = 171)

CROSSOVER TO CRIZOTINIB
PERMITTED AFTER PROGRESSION^c

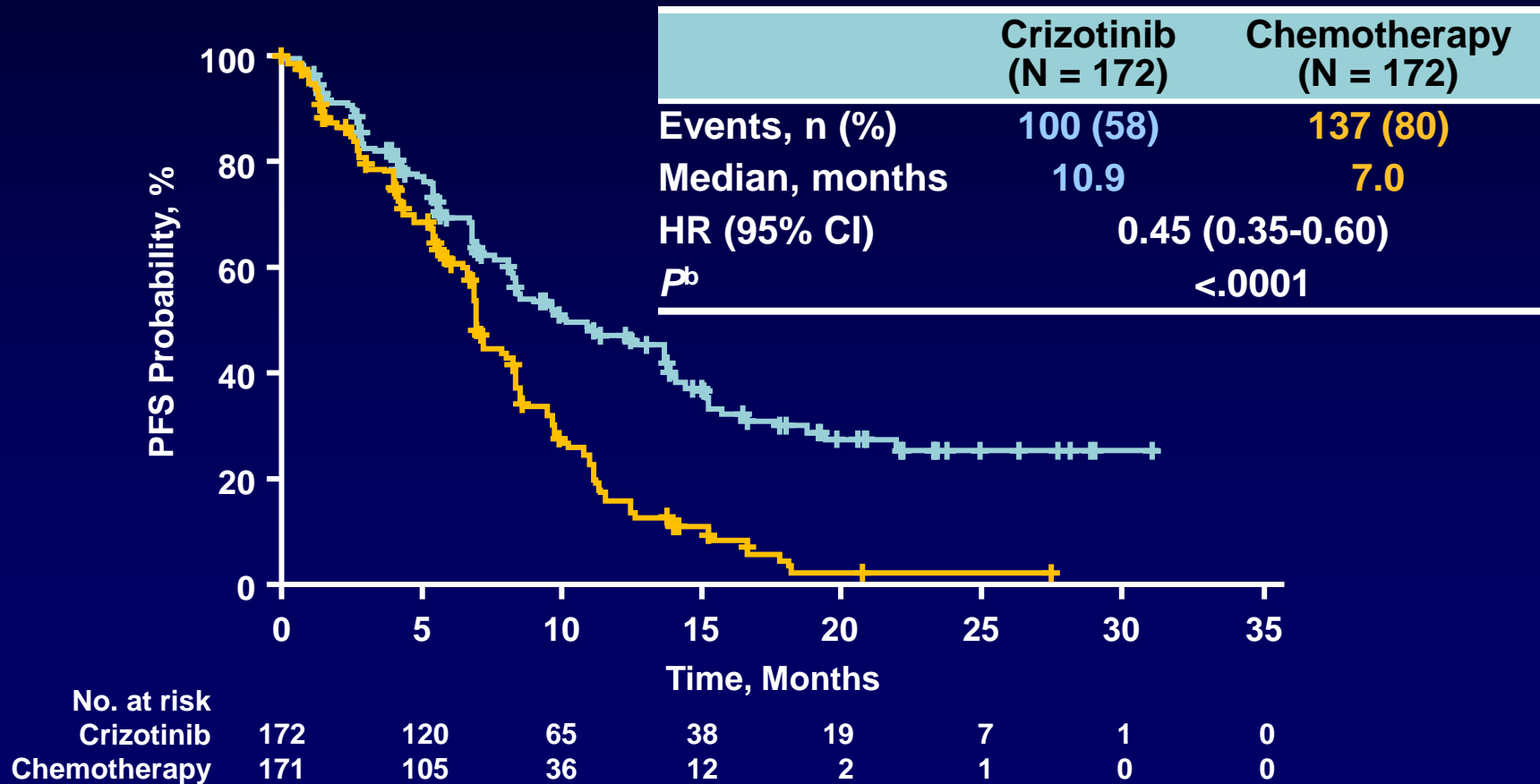
Endpoints

- Primary
 - PFS (RECIST 1.1, independent radiologic review [IRR])
- Secondary
 - ORR
 - OS
 - Safety
 - Patient-reported outcomes (EORTC QLQ-C30, LC13)

^a*ALK* status determined using standard *ALK* break-apart FISH assay ^bStratification factors: ECOG PS (0/1 vs. 2), Asian vs non-Asian race, and brain metastases (present vs absent) ^cAssessed by IRR

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Primary Endpoint Met: Crizotinib Superior to 1L Pemetrexed-Based Chemotherapy in Prolonging PFS^a



Data cutoff: November 30, 2013

^aAssessed by IRR ^b1-sided stratified log-rank test

Mok T, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2014;32(5s): Abstract 8002.

PROFILE 1014

Secondary Endpoints: ORR^a and OS

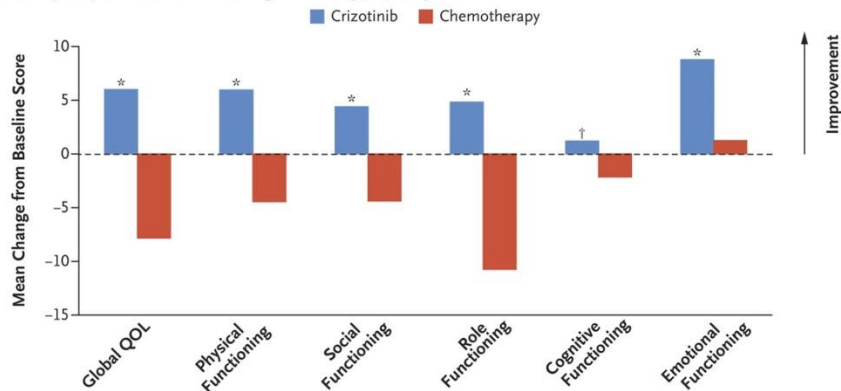
	Crizotinib (N = 172)	Chemotherapy ^b (N = 171)
ORR, % (n)	74 (128)	45 (77)
95% exact CI of ORR	67-81	37-53
Treatment difference, % (95% CI ^c)		29 (20-39)
<i>P</i> ^c		<.0001
Median time to response, ^d weeks	6.1	12.1
Range	2.7-41.4	5.1-36.7
Median duration of response, ^{d,e} weeks	49.0	22.9
95% CI ^f	35.1-60.0	18.0-25.1

- Objective responses with crizotinib were rapid and durable
- With 68% of patients still in follow-up, median OS was not reached in either arm
 - A significant difference was not demonstrated (HR: 0.82; 95% CI: 0.54-1.26; *P* = .180)
 - Analysis was not adjusted for the potentially confounding effects of crossover
 - 120/171 chemotherapy patients (**70%**) received crizotinib after progression

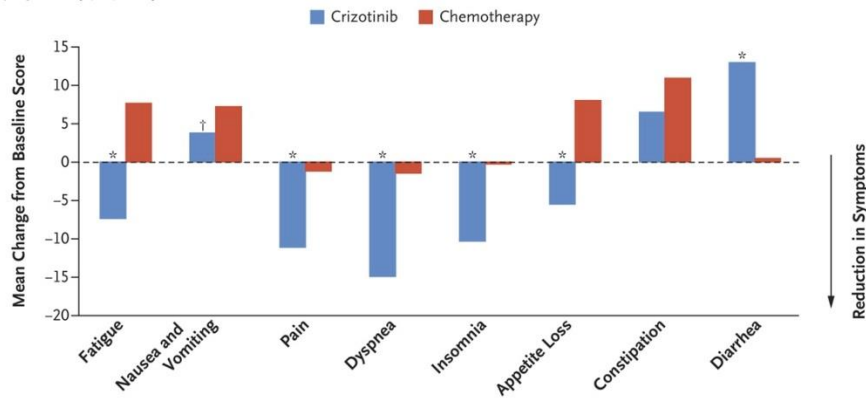
^aBy IRR; ^bbefore crossover to crizotinib; ^cPearson χ^2 test; ^din patients with an objective response ^eKaplan–Meier method;

^fBrookmeyer–Crowley method

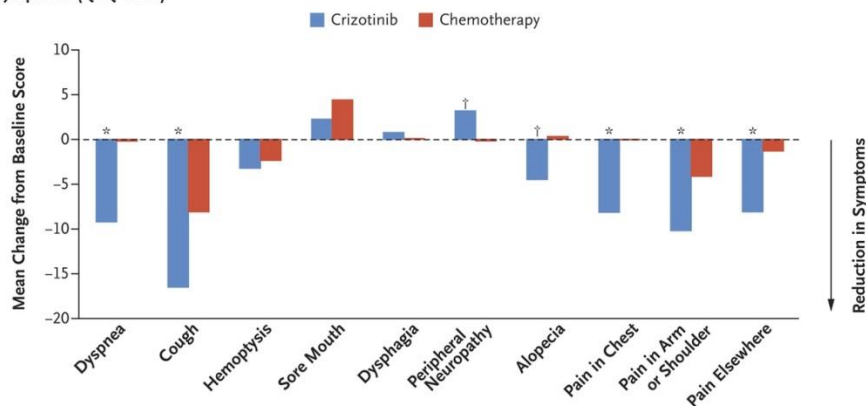
A Global Quality of Life and Functioning Domains (QLQ-C30)



B Symptoms (QLQ-C30)



C Symptoms (QLQ-LC13)



Crizotinib improves quality of life and cancer-related symptoms over first-line chemotherapy

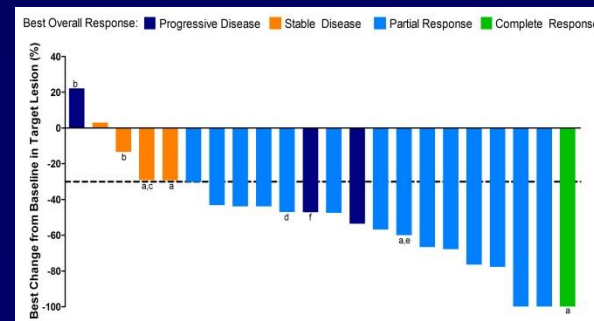
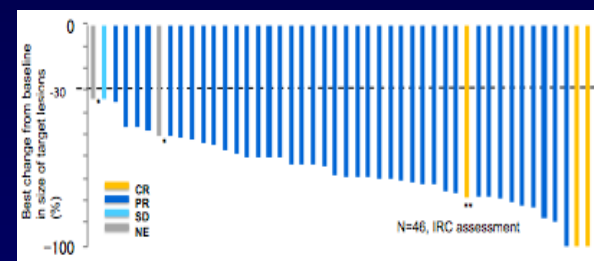
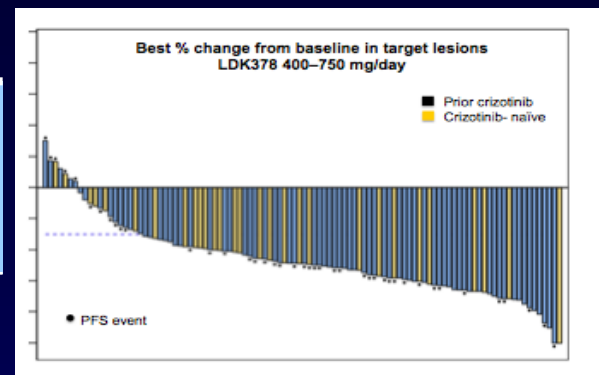
Chemotherapy in *ALK*-Positive NSCLC

	Line	N	ORR	PFS
Platinum/pemetrexed ¹ ≤6 cycles	1st	171	45%	7.0 months
Crizotinib ¹	1st	172	74%	10.9 months
Pemetrexed ²	2nd	99	29%	4.2 months
Docetaxel ²	2nd	72	7%	2.6 months
Crizotinib ²	2nd	172	65%	7.7 months

1. Mok T, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2014;32(5s): Abstract 8002. 2. Shaw AT, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2013;368(25):2385-2394.

Activity of Other ALK TKIs

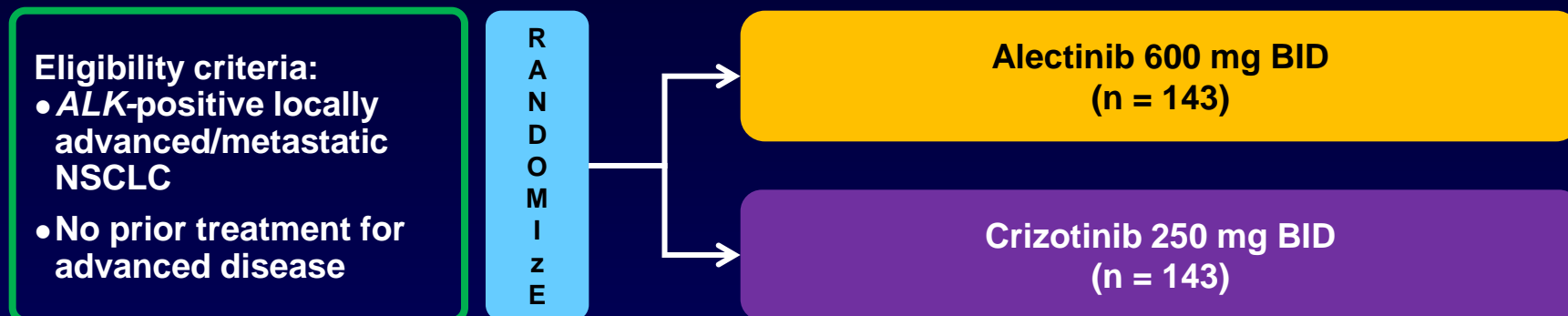
ALK TKI	RR, % (n) Crizotinib Naïve	RR, % (n) Crizotinib Resistant	mPFS, m
Ceritinib LDK378 (Novartis)	72% (83)	56% (163)	9.0 (6.9-18.4)
Alectinib CH5425802 (Roche)	93.5% (46)	60% (47)	>14
AP26113 (Araid)	100% (7)	69% (45/65)	13



Felipe E, et al. *Ann Oncol*. 2014; Abstract 4380. Shaw AT, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2014;370(26):2537-2539. Gadgeel SM, et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2014;15(10):1119-1128. Nakagawa K, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2013;31(Suppl): Abstract 8033; Gettinger, S, et al. ESMO 2014: Abstract 5146

Alectinib and Ceritinib: First-Line Phase III Studies

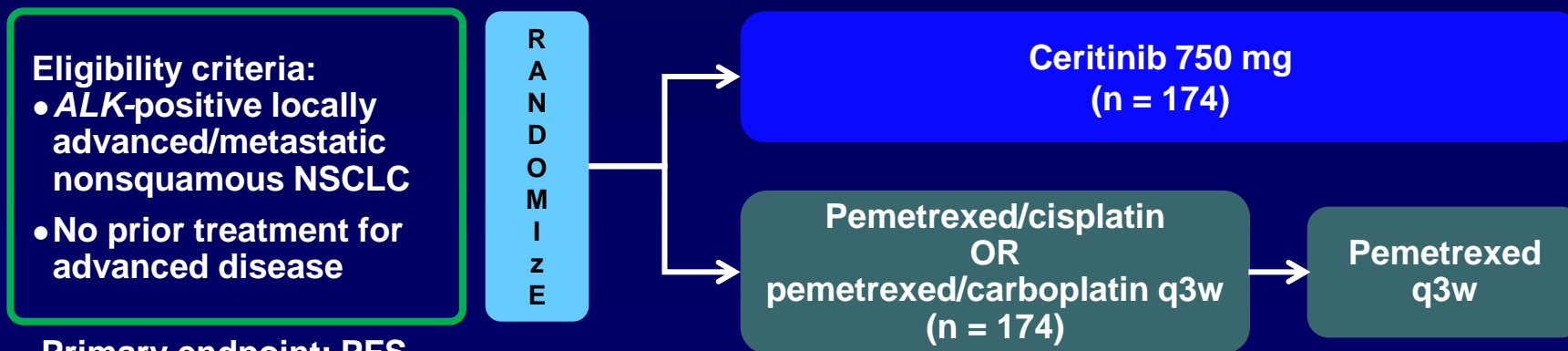
Alectinib¹ (ALEX Trial)



Primary endpoint = PFS*

*Determined by investigators, based on RECIST v1.1

Ceritinib²



Primary endpoint: PFS

Case 3—Optimal First-Line

1. Cisplatin + Pemetrexed 
2. Crizotinib 
3. Clinical trial: Ceritinib vs chemotherapy 
4. Clinical trial: Alectinib vs crizotinib 

Common Crizotinib Toxicities (PROFILE 1014)

	Crizotinib (n = 171), n (%)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4
Vision disorder ^c	122 (71)	1 (1)
Diarrhea	105 (61)	4 (2)
Edema ^c	83 (49)	1 (1)
Vomiting	78 (46)	3 (2)
Constipation	74 (43)	3 (2)
Elevated transaminases ^c	61 (36)	24 (14)
Abdominal pain ^c	45 (26)	0
Dysgeusia	45 (26)	0
Headache	37 (22)	2 (1)

- Permanent treatment discontinuations due to treatment-related AEs: 5% and 8%, respectively^b
- No grade 5 AEs were reported to be related to treatment; 1 patient in the chemotherapy arm had grade 5 pneumonitis after crossover to crizotinib, considered to be treatment-related

^aNot adjusted for differential treatment duration; ^bBefore crossover to crizotinib; ^cclustered term

Dose Modification Scheme

CTCAE^b Grade

Crizotinib Dosing

Hematologic Toxicities^a

Grade 3	Withhold until recovery to grade ≤ 2 , then resume at the same dose schedule
Grade 4	Withhold until recovery to grade ≤ 2 , then resume at 200 mg twice daily ^c

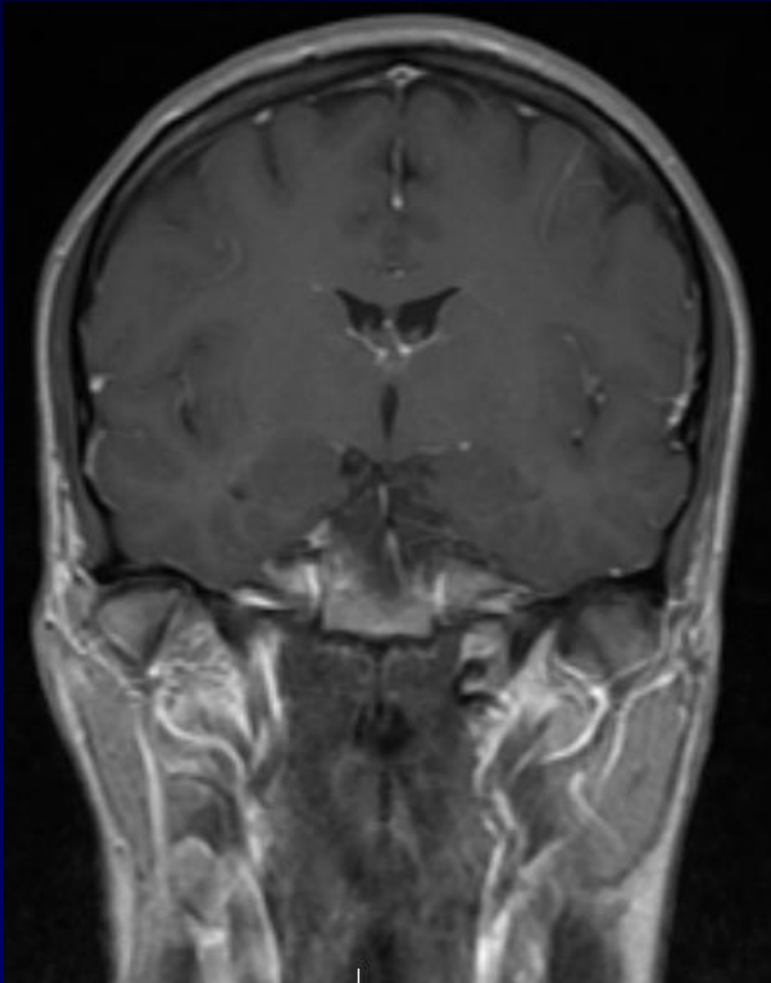
Nonhematologic Toxicities

Grade 3 or 4 ALT or AST elevation with grade ≤ 1 total bilirubin	Withhold until recovery to grade ≤ 1 or baseline, then resume at 200 mg twice daily ^d
Grade 2, 3 or 4 ALT or AST elevation with grade 2, 3 or 4 total bilirubin elevation	Permanently discontinue
Any Grade pneumonitis ^e	Permanently discontinue
Grade 3 QTc prolongation	Withhold until recovery to grade ≤ 1 , then resume at 200 mg twice daily ^d
Grade 4 QTc prolongation	Permanently discontinue

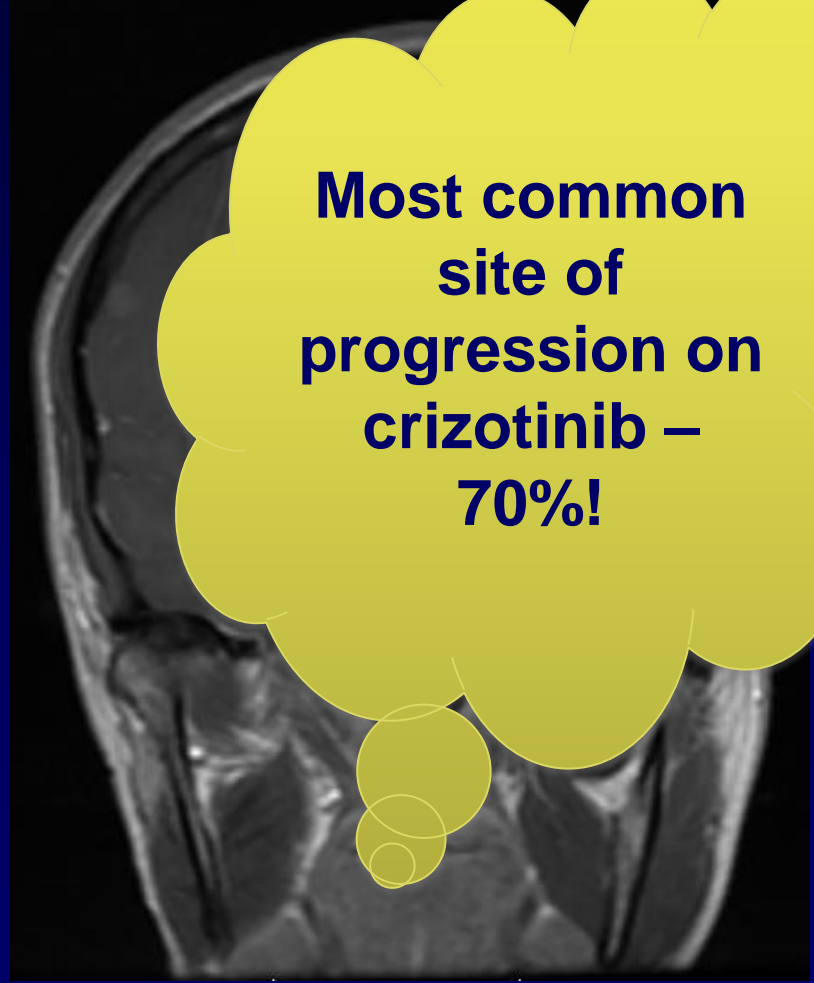
^a Except lymphopenia (unless associated with clinical events, eg, opportunistic infections); ^b NCI Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; ^c In case of recurrence, withhold until recovery to grade ≤ 2 , then resume at 250 mg once daily. Permanently discontinue in case of grade 4 recurrence; ^d In case of recurrence, withhold until recovery to grade ≤ 1 , then resume at 250 mg once daily. Permanently; discontinue in case of further grade 3 or 4 recurrence; ^e Not attributable to NSCLC progression, other pulmonary disease, infection, or radiation effect.

Crizotinib [prescribing information]. New York, New York: Pfizer, Inc; 2013.

A Common Scenario

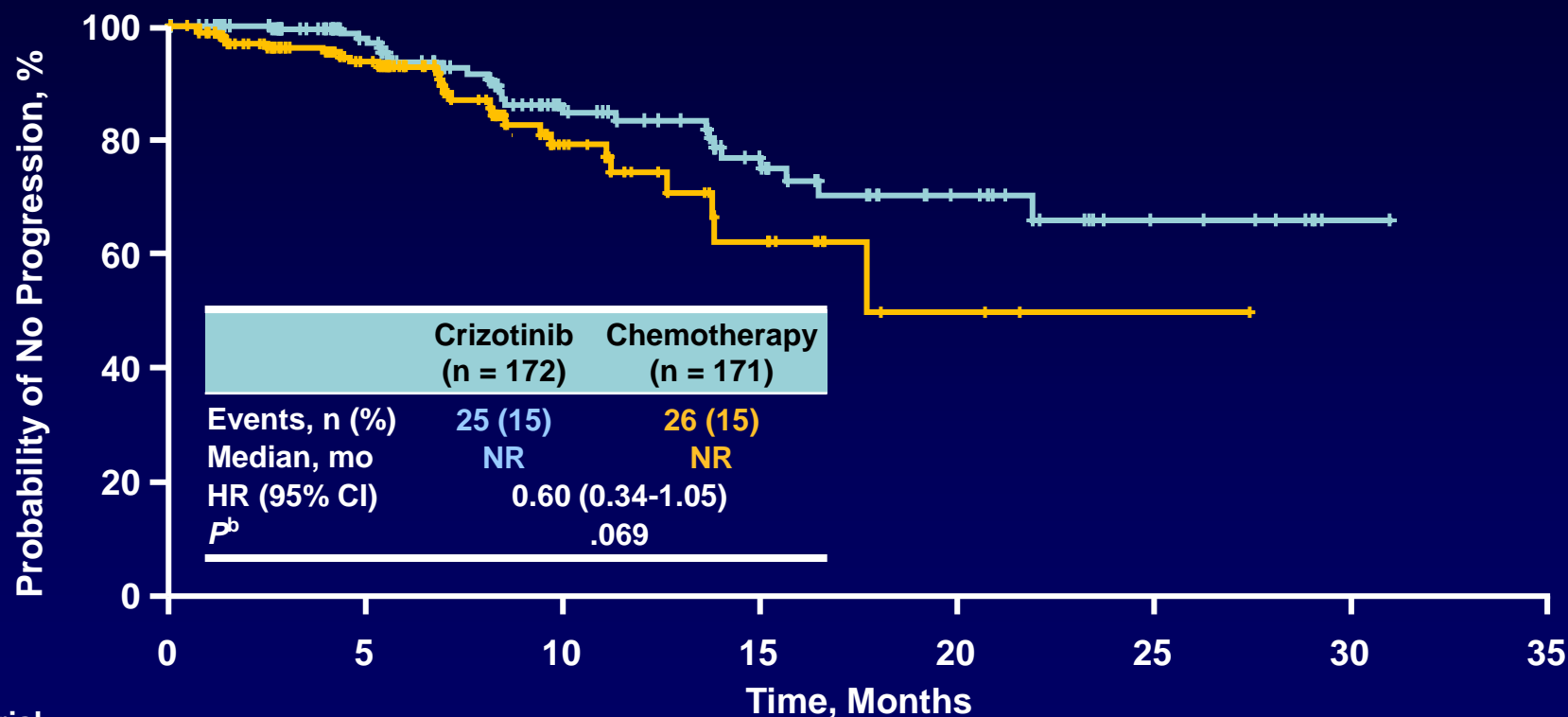


Baseline



After 9 months of crizotinib

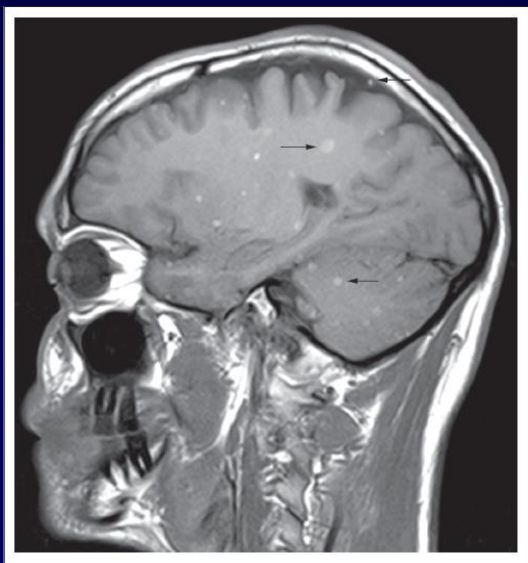
Intracranial TTP^a by IRR in ITT Population



NR, not yet reached; ^aTime from randomization to first documentation of intracranial tumor progression; ^b2-sided log-rank test

Solomon BJ, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2014;25(Suppl 4):iv426-iv470

CNS Relapses Represent Pharmacokinetic Failure Rather Than Biologic Resistance



CSF: Plasma ratio 0.0026

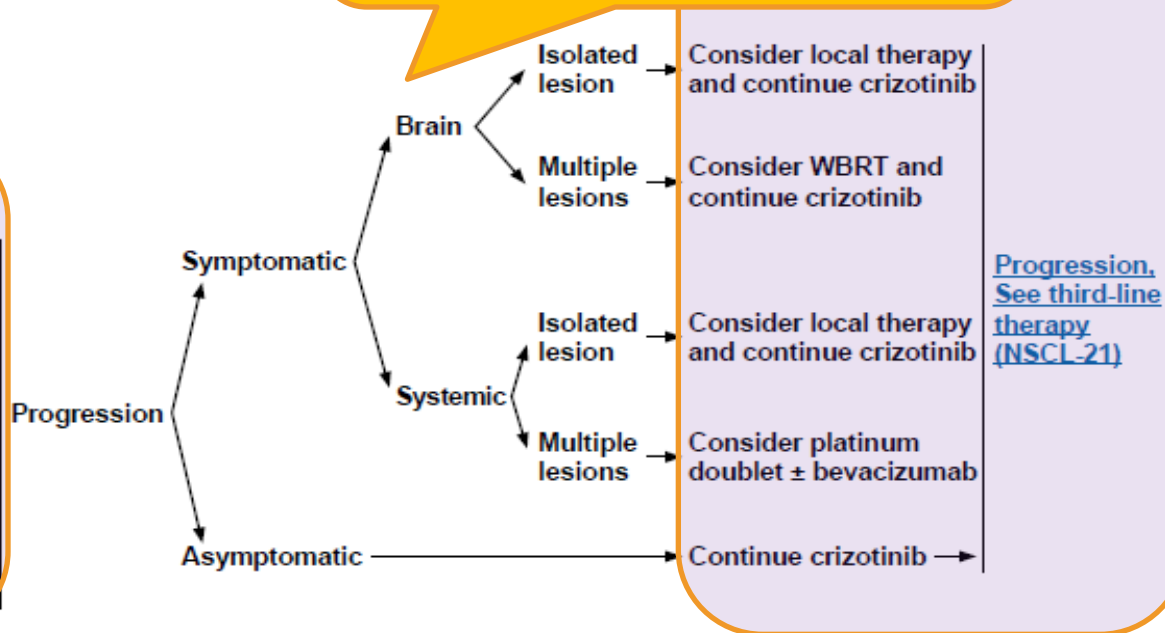
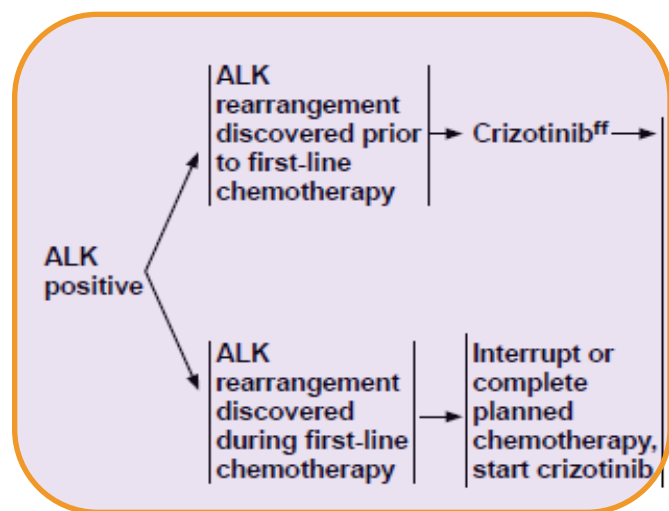
	Crizotinib	PF-06463922
ALK WT NIH3T3 IC ₅₀ (nM)	80	1.5
ALK L1196M NIH3T3 IC ₅₀ (nM)	843	21
ROS1-CD74 IC ₅₀ (nM)	11	0.24
MDR BA/AB	45	1.5
CSF or free brain:free plasma (rodent)	--	0.23-0.33
Log D	2.0	2.3

Current Recommendations and Guidelines

CNS relapse frequent^{2,3}

Should surveillance MRI q6months be routine?

ADENOCARCINOMA, LARGE CELL, NSCLC NOS: ALK POSITIVE^a
FIRST-LINE THERAPY^{bb}



Crizotinib is the only approved ALK inhibitor in the 1L setting

^{ff}Consider ROS1 testing; if positive, may treat with crizotinib (Bergethon K, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30(8):863-870.); *All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated

1. NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®) – Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer. Version 3.2014. 2. Otterson GA, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30(Suppl): Abstract 7600. 3. Weickhardt AJ, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30(Suppl): Abstract 7526.

Surveillance Brain MRI?

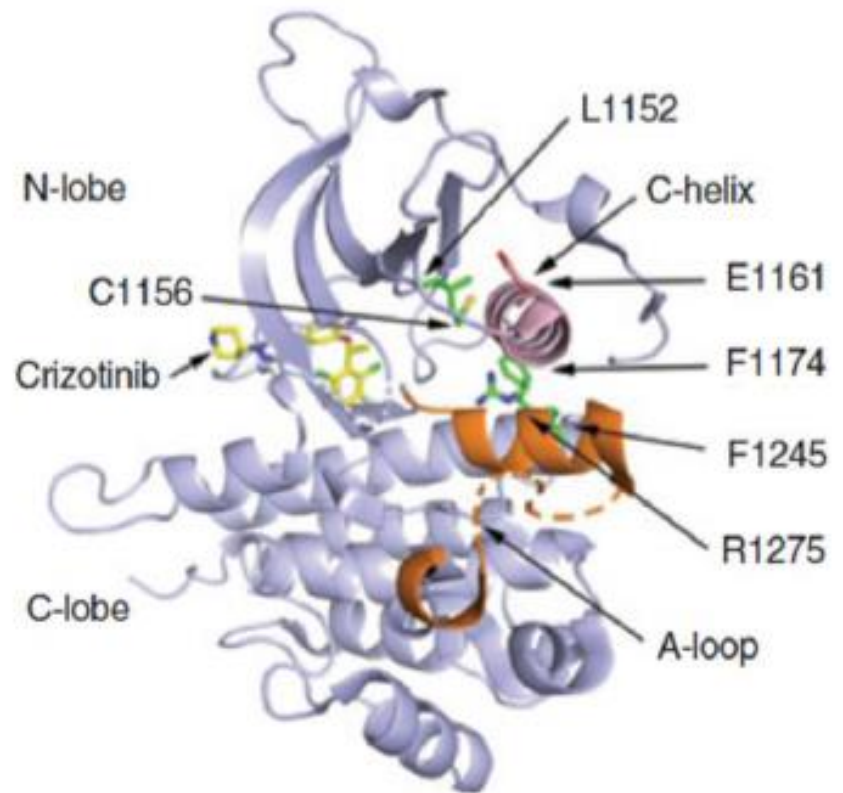
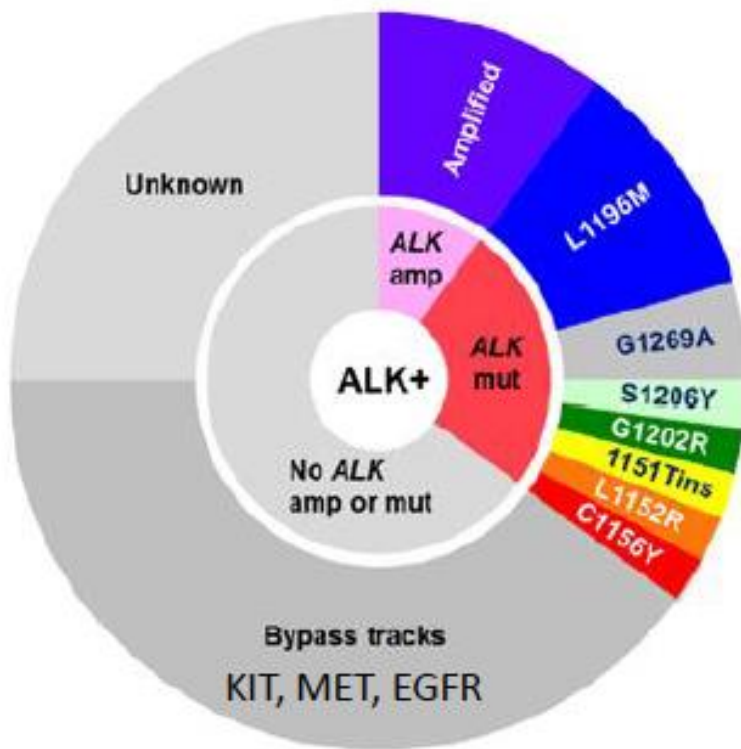
1. No, only if symptoms
2. Yes, brain MRI as often as systemic imaging
3. Yes, brain MRI every 6 months - 9 months

No clear evidence to support

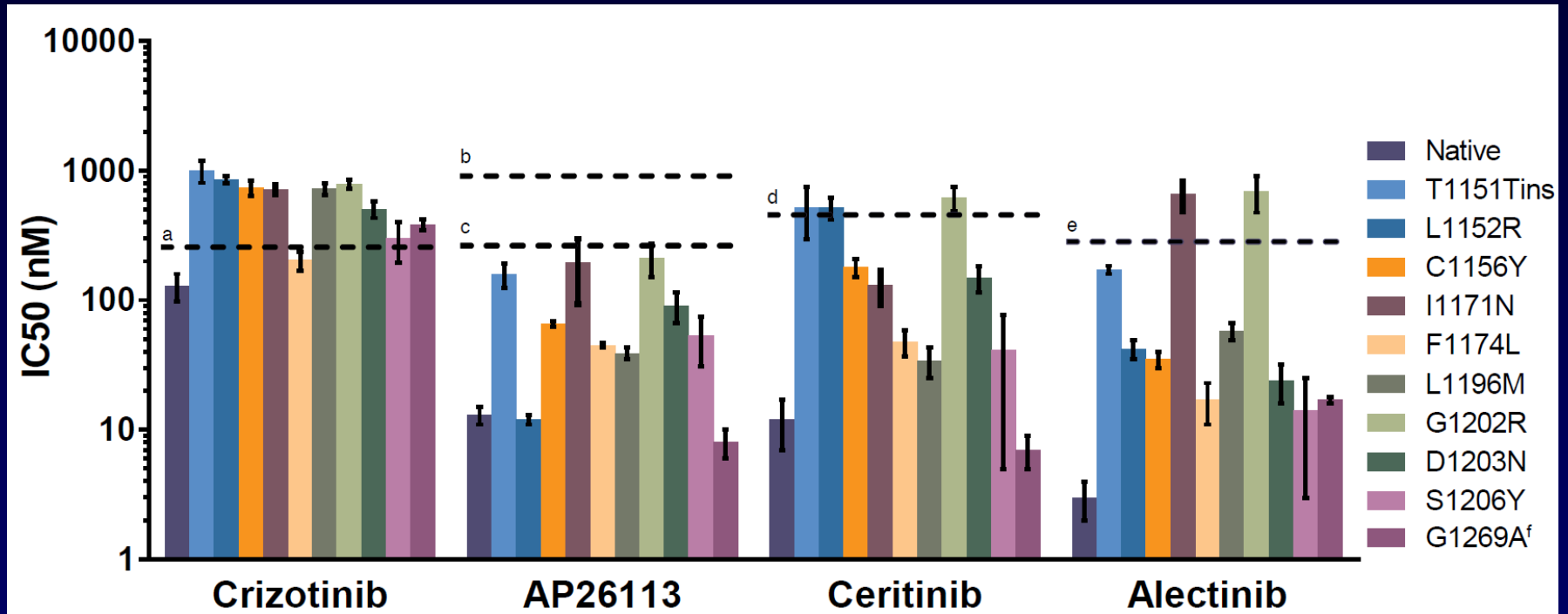
Most experts choose #3 or #1

What About Resistance?

Crizotinib RR 65% to 75%; Median PFS 8-11 Months

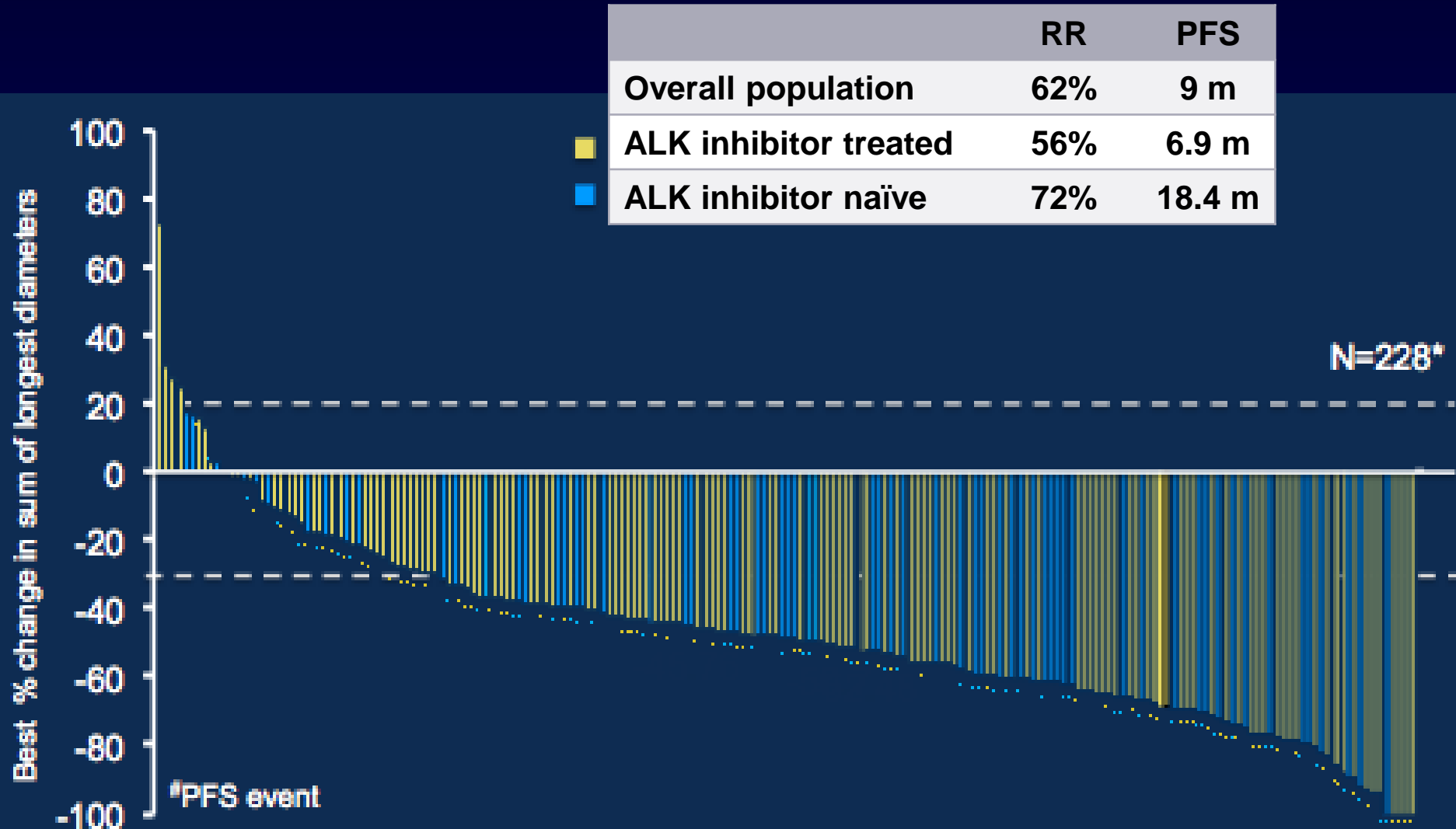


Next Generation ALK TKIs



50% maximal inhibitory concentration (IC₅₀) values of Ba/F3 cells dependent on expression of EML4-ALK (native) or kinase domain mutated *EML4-ALK* variants (n = 10). Data for each cell line are derived from at least 4 independent experiments (error bars = standard deviation). Dashed horizontal lines indicate the mean steady-state exposure concentrations of each drug corrected for the functional effects of protein binding at the recommended phase 2 doses: ^aCrizotinib: 250 mg BID, 259 nM⁹; AP26113: ^b180 mg QD, 899 nM and ^c90 mg QD, 264 nM¹⁰; ^dCeritinib: 750 mg QD, 456 nM¹¹; ^eAlectinib: 600 mg BID, 277 nM¹²; ^fn = 2

Ceritinib Activity in ALK+ NSCLC

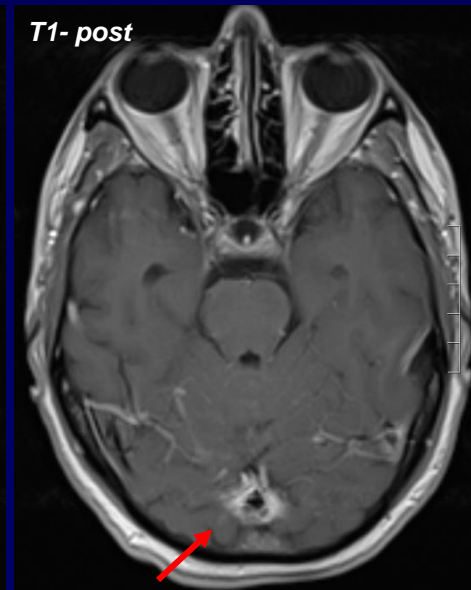
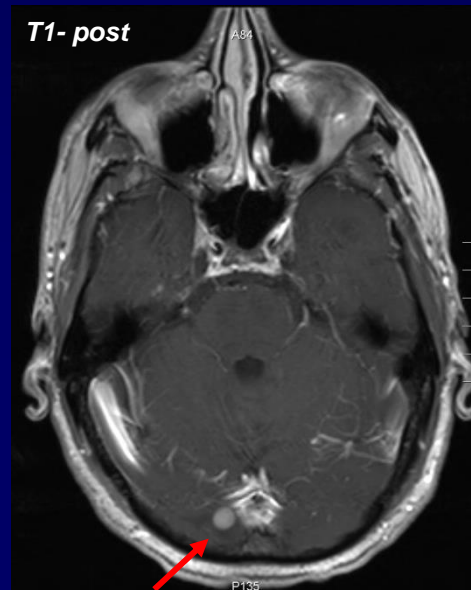
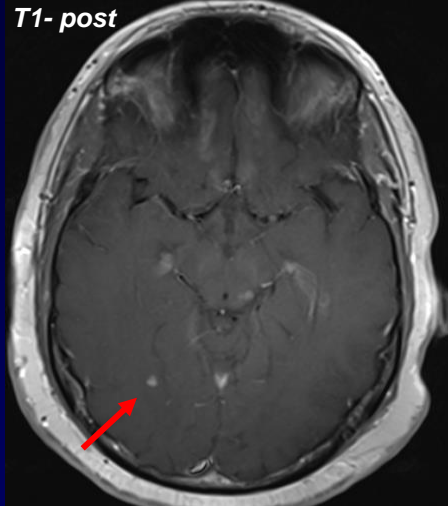
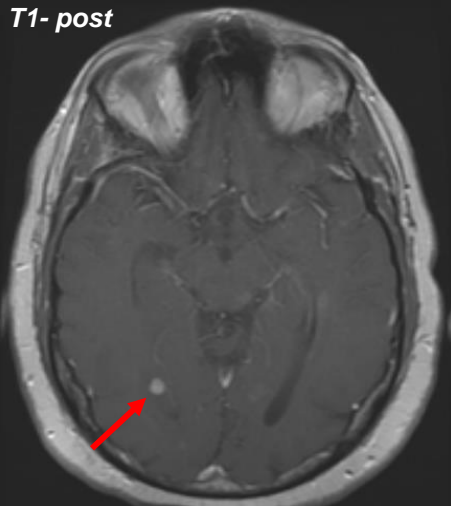


Side Effects of Ceritinib

Preferred Term, n (%)	Ceritinib Dose mg/dav						
	50-300 (n = 10)	400 (n = 14)	500 (n = 10)	600 (n = 10)	750 (n = 10)	900 (n = 10)	1000 (n = 10)
Nausea	5 (50)	10 (71)	9 (90)	8 (80)	0	41 (51)	61 (47)
Diarrhea	3 (30)	9 (64)	7 (70)	4 (40)	0	33 (41)	45 (35)
Vomiting	5 (50)	8 (57)	6 (60)	4 (40)	0	29 (36)	42 (32)
Fatigue	3 (30)	5 (36)	4 (40)	8 (80)	0	31 (28)	39 (30)
ALT increased	1 (10)	2 (14)	3 (30)	2 (20)	4 (80)	26 (32)	38 (29)
Constipation	1 (10)	3 (21)	3 (30)	4 (40)	2 (40)	22 (27)	33 (25)
Abdominal pain	2 (20)	1 (7)	2 (20)	2 (20)	1 (20)	22 (27)	33 (25)
↓Appetite	2 (20)	0	3 (30)	4 (40)	3 (60)	26 (32)	38 (29)
AST increased	1 (10)	3 (21)	2 (20)	2 (20)	3 (60)	22 (27)	33 (25)

75% at least 1 interruption
62% reductions

CNS Responses to Ceritinib



CNS Responses With ALK TKIs

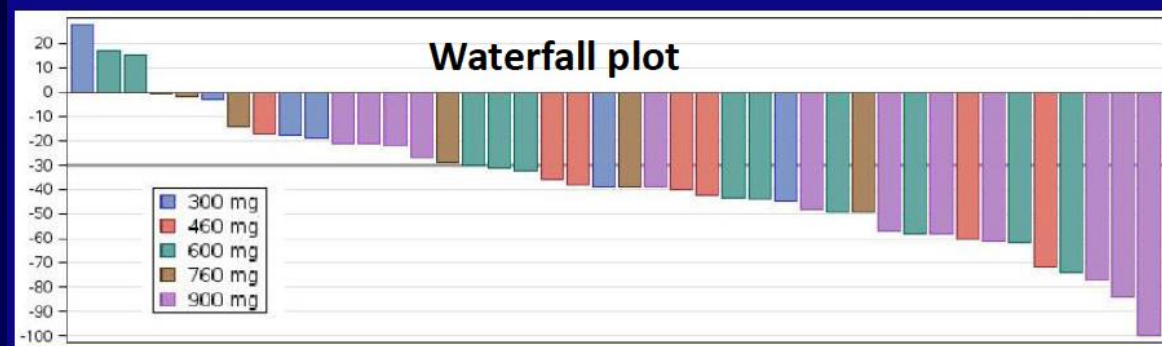
Agent	Intracranial RR (n)	Median duration of response
Crizotinib ¹	25% (10/40)	≥ 6.5 months
Ceritinib ²	36% (10/28) pretreated 63% (5/8) crizotinib naive	≥ 7 months
Alectinib ³	52% (11/21) pretreated	Not reported
AP26113 ⁴	43% (6/14)	Not reported

1. Costa D, et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2014; Abstract 2932; 2. Shaw AT, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2014;25(Suppl 4): Abstract ; 1293P 3. Gadgeel SM, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2014;15(10):1119-1128; 4. Gettinger S, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2014;25(Suppl 4): Abstract 5146

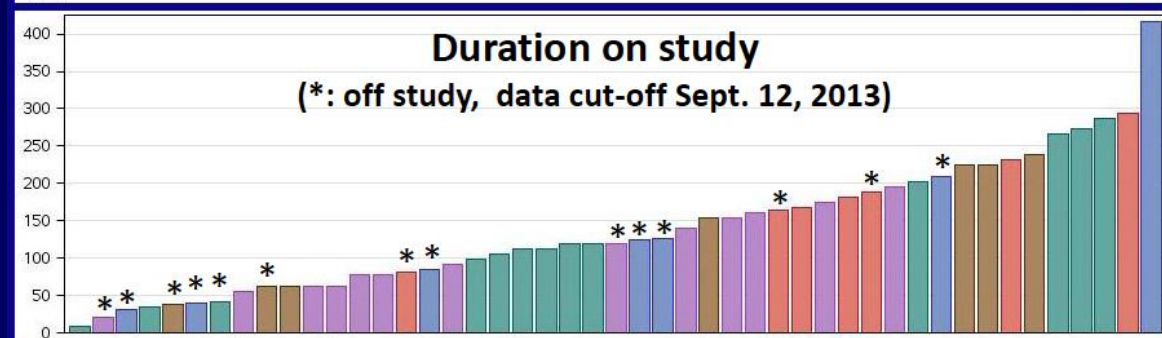
Clinical Activity of Alectinib in Crizotinib-Resistant *ALK*-Positive NSCLC

ORR 54.5% across all cohorts for all patients

% tumor shrinkage



Days on study



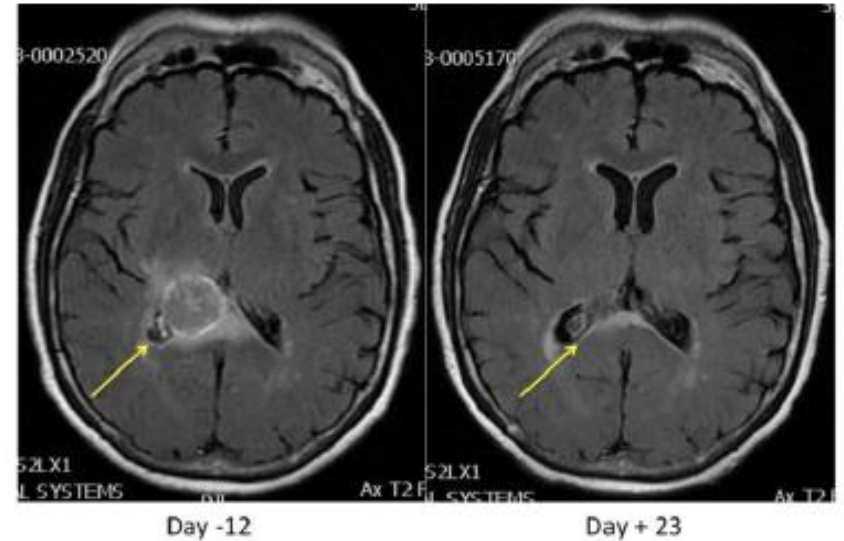
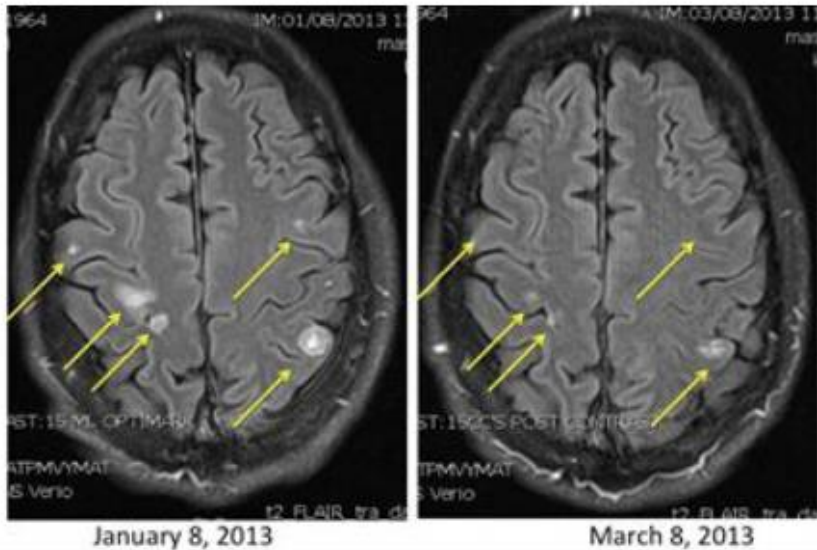
ORR 54.5%
all cohorts

Dose (mg BID)	300	460	600	760	900
RR %	2/7 29%	5/7 71%	7/10 (70%) 3 unconfirmed	2/7 29%	8/13 (62%), 1 CR 4 unconfirmed

Side Effects of Alectinib

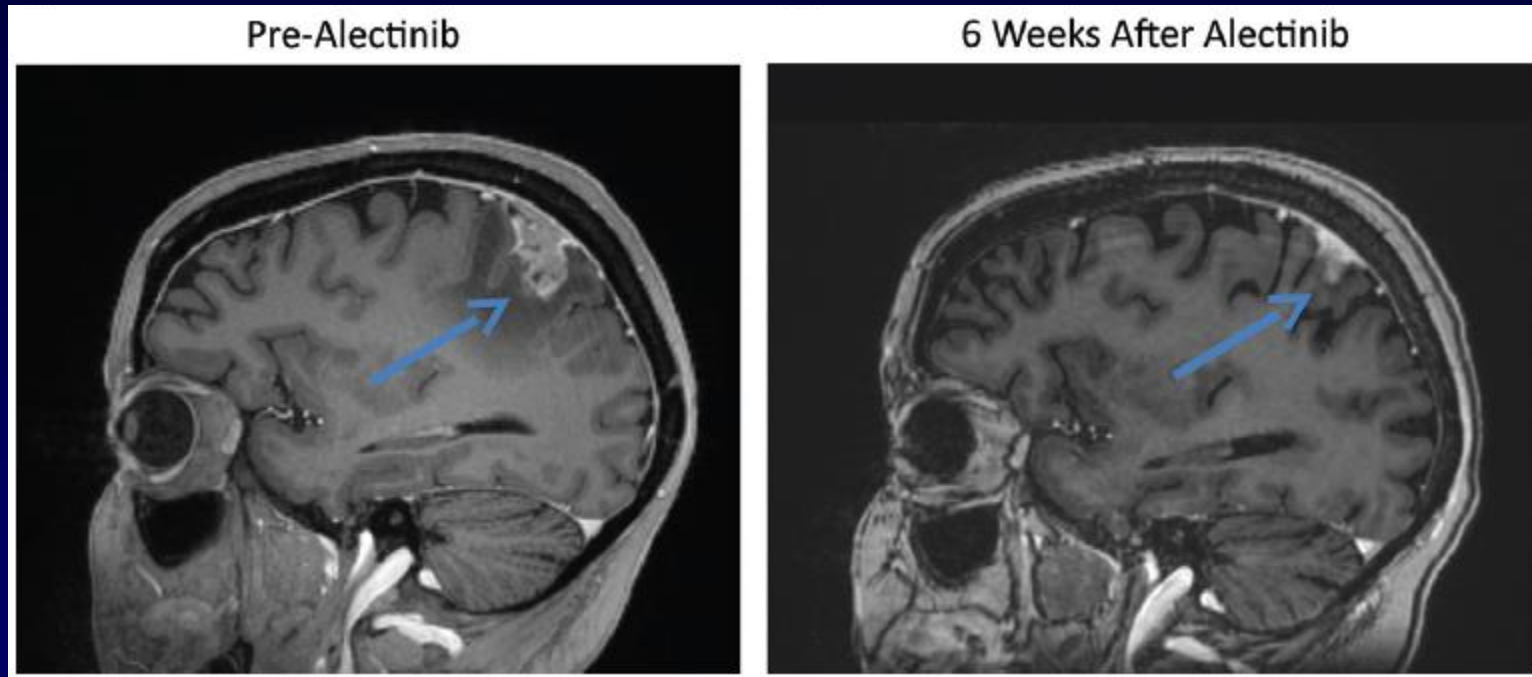
Side Effect	N = 47 (%)
Fatigue	14 (30)
Myalgia	8 (17)
Peripheral edema	8 (17)
Increased blood CPK	7 (15)
Nausea	7 (15)
ALT increased	6 (13)
Photosensitivity	6 (13)
Constipation	5 (11)
Rash	5 (11)

CNS Responses to Alectinib



CNS Responses to Alectinib

Leptomeningeal Metastasis



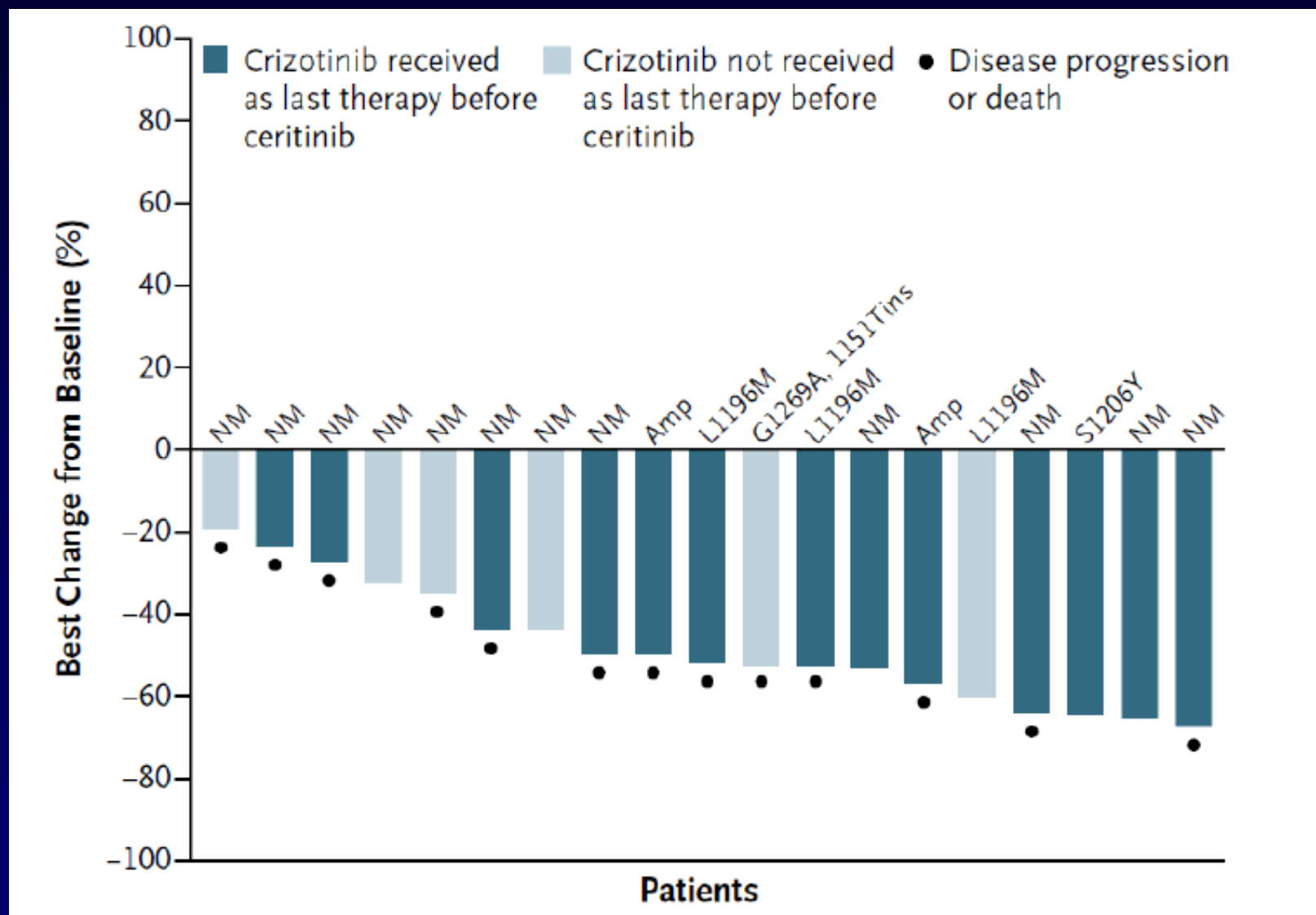
My Opinion: CNS Only Relapse

1. Surgical resection of the brain metastases (S) or stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) + continuation of crizotinib **REASONABLE**
 2. S or SRS → WBRT → continue crizotinib
 3. WBRT → continue crizotinib
 4. S or SRS → discontinue crizotinib and start chemotherapy **NO**
 5. S or SRS → discontinue crizotinib and start ceritinib **NO**
 6. No local therapy for brain mets at this time; discontinue crizotinib and consider clinical trial with alectinib **REASONABLE**
- AVOID WBRT IF POSSIBLE**

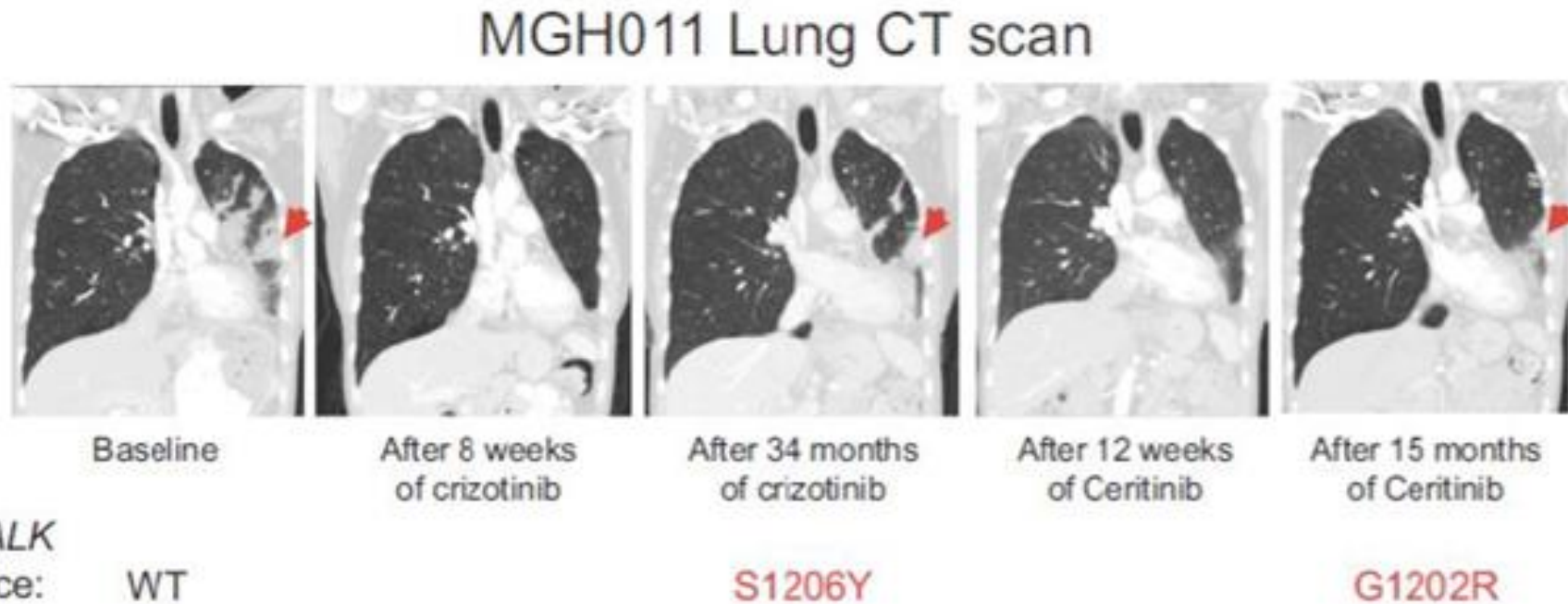
What About Extracranial Progression?

1. Continue crizotinib and add chemotherapy **NO**
2. Stop crizotinib and start cisplatin/pemetrexed
REASONABLE
3. Clinical trial of second generation ALK inhibitor if available **+**
4. Rebiopsy for additional mutation testing and clinical trial of targeted therapy **+**
5. Ceritinib, if available (eg, compassionate access) **+**

Ceritinib Activity by *ALK* Gene Alteration



Ceritinib Resistance Is Associated With ALK G1202R



Next Generation ALK Inhibitors

Inhibitor	Targets	Development stage	Recent reports
Ceritinib	ALK/ROS	FDA approved Phase III/CUP	Shaw, <i>NEJM</i> 2014 Kim, ASCO 2014
Alectinib	ALK	Approved in Japan FDA fast-track Phase III/CUP	Seto, <i>Lancet Oncol</i> 2014 Gadgeel, <i>Lancet Oncol</i> 2014 Nakagawa, ASCO 2014
AP26113	ALK/EGFR/ROS	Phase I/II	Gettinger, ASCO 2104
TSR-011	ALK/TRK	Phase I/II	Weiss, ASCO 2014
X-396	ALK/ROS	Phase I/II	Horn, ASCO 2014
RXDX-101	ALK/ROS/TRK	Phase I/II	De Braid, ASCO 2014
PF-06463922	ALK/ROS/TRK	Phase I/II	Johnson, <i>J Med Chem</i> 2014
CEP-37440	ALK/FAK	Phase I/II	-

prIME POINTS™

- ✓ All patients with advanced nonsquamous NSCLC should be assessed for *ALK* rearrangement
- ✓ Patients with advanced *ALK*+ NSCLC should receive crizotinib first-line
- ✓ Continuation of TKI beyond progression can often be done, sometimes with the use of local therapy
- ✓ Patients who develop resistance to crizotinib can be treated with a second-generation *ALK* inhibitor (eg, ceritinib) or on clinical trial (alectinib, ceritinib, etc)
- ✓ Chemotherapy is always an option