



Combinatorial Immune Therapies to Enhance Outcomes in Solid Cancers

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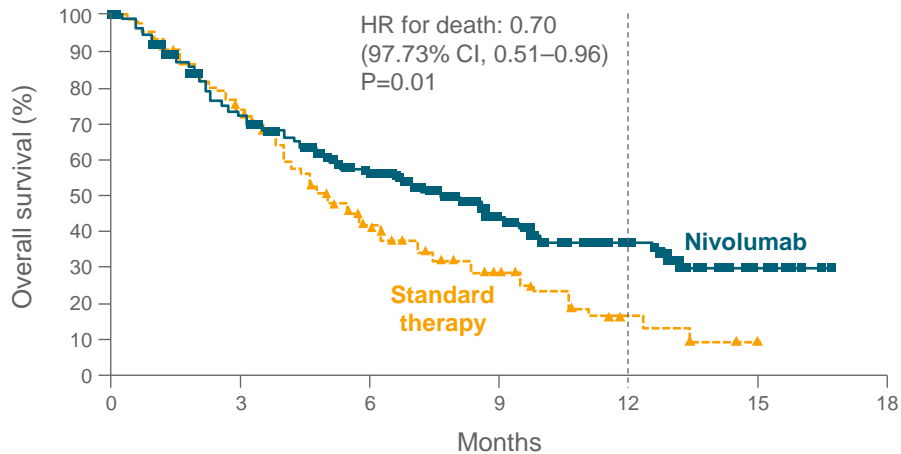


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IO Agents are Transforming Clinical Practice: SCCHN

	Number of patients	Number of deaths	1-year overall survival rate % (95% CI)	Median overall survival months (95% CI)
Nivolumab	240	133	36.0 (28.5–43.4)	7.5 (5.5–9.1)
Standard therapy	121	85	16.6 (8.6–26.8)	5.1 (4.0–6.0)



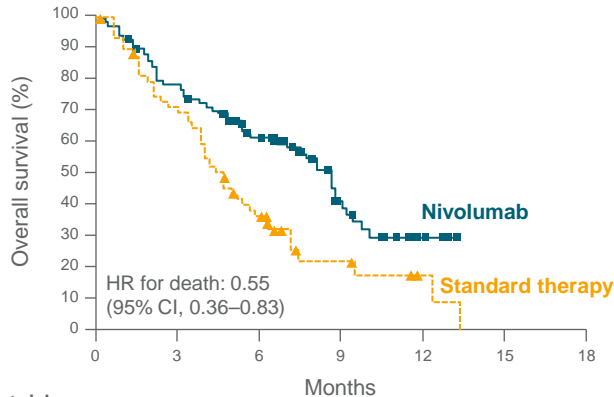
Number at risk

Nivolumab	240	167	109	52	24	7	0
Standard therapy	121	87	42	17	5	1	0

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Overall survival among patients with baseline PD-L1 $\geq 1\%$

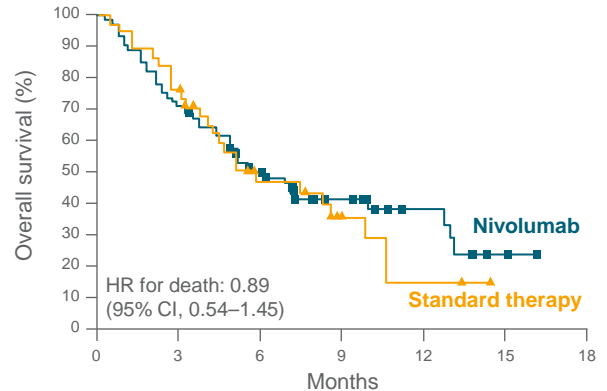
	Number of patients	Number of deaths	Median overall survival months (95% CI)
Nivolumab	88	49	8.7 (5.7–9.1)
Standard therapy	61	45	4.6 (3.8–5.8)



Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18
Nivolumab	88	67	44	18	6	0	–
Standard therapy	61	42	20	6	2	0	–

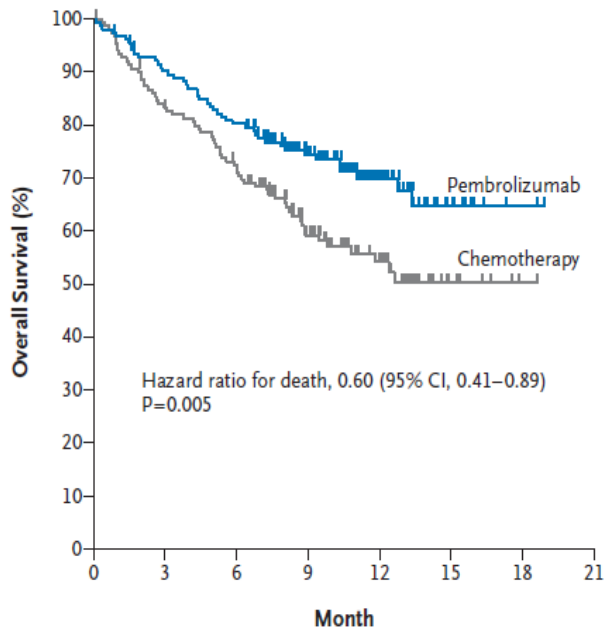
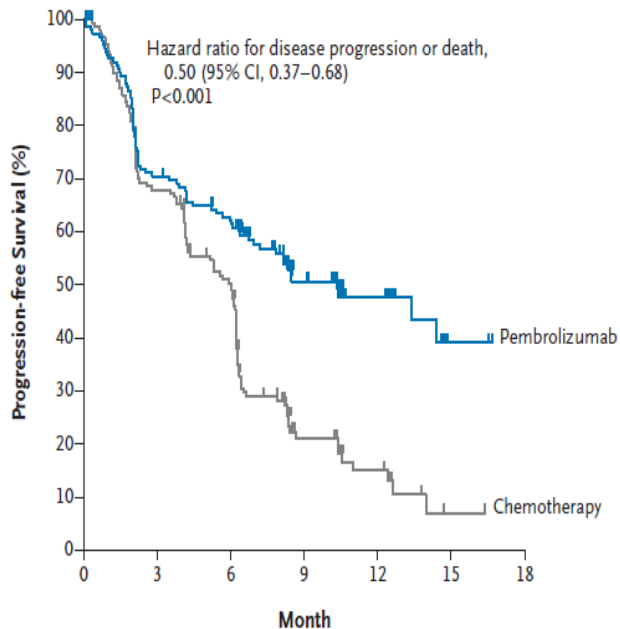
Overall survival among patients with baseline PD-L1 $< 1\%$

	Number of patients	Number of deaths	Median overall survival months (95% CI)
Nivolumab	73	45	5.7 (4.4–12.7)
Standard therapy	38	25	5.8 (4.0–9.8)



Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18
Nivolumab	73	52	33	17	8	3	0
Standard therapy	38	29	14	6	2	0	0

IO Agents are Transforming Clinical Practice: NSCLC



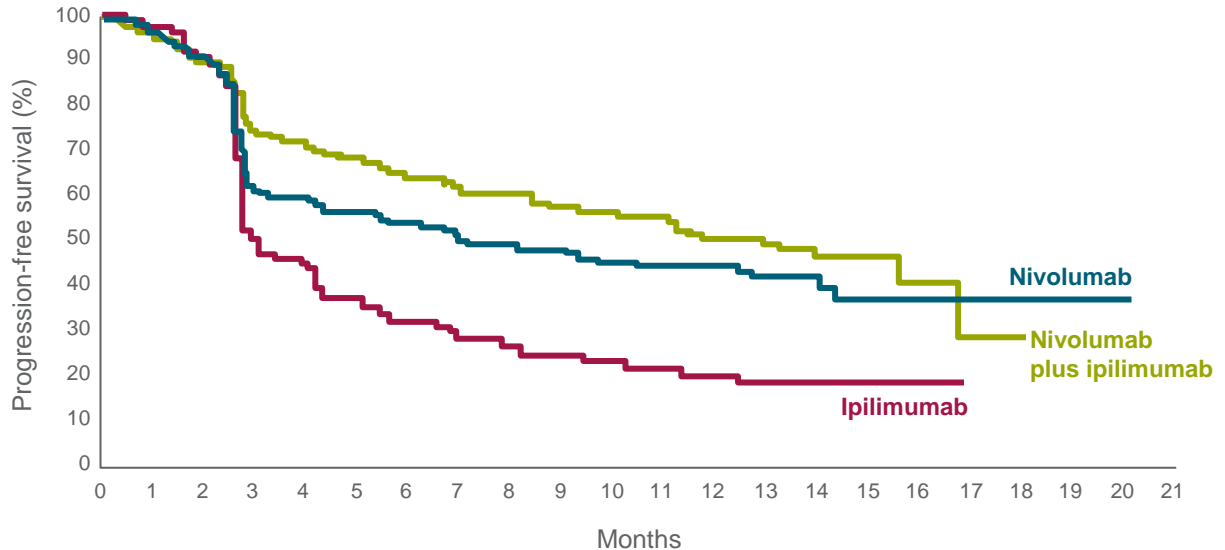
No. at Risk

Pembrolizumab	154	104	89	44	22	3	1
Chemotherapy	151	99	70	18	9	1	0

No. at Risk

Pembrolizumab	154	136	121	82	39	11	2	0
Chemotherapy	151	123	106	64	34	7	1	0

IO Agents are Transforming Clinical Practice: Melanoma

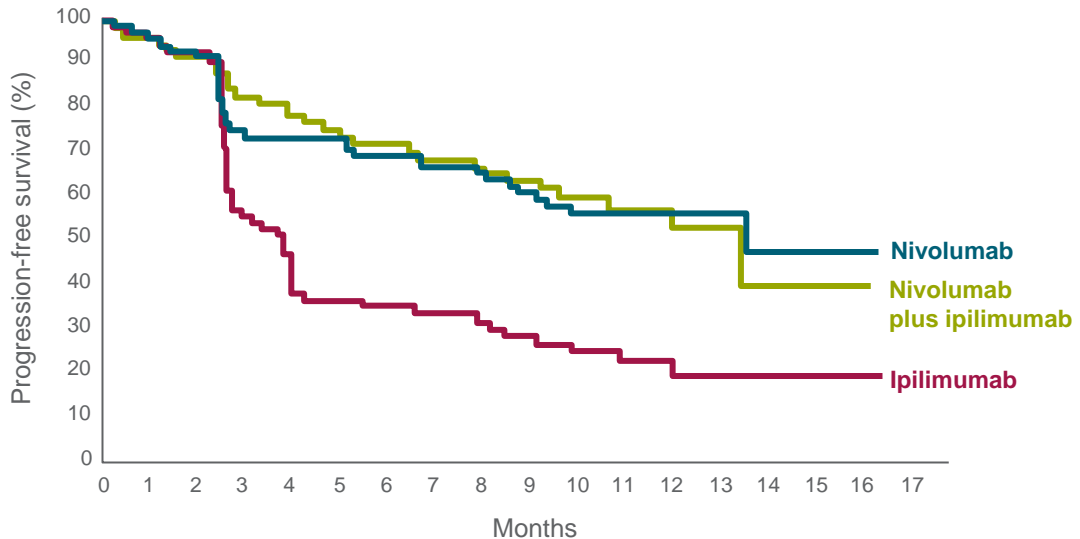


Number at risk

Nivolumab	316	292	271	177	170	160	147	136	132	124	106	86	50	38	14	9	6	2	1	1	1	0
Nivolumab plus ipilimumab	314	293	275	219	208	191	173	164	163	151	137	116	65	54	18	11	7	2	1	0	0	0
Ipilimumab	315	285	265	137	118	95	77	68	63	54	47	42	24	17	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0

IO Agents are Transforming Clinical Practice: Melanoma

Patients with PD-L1-positive tumours

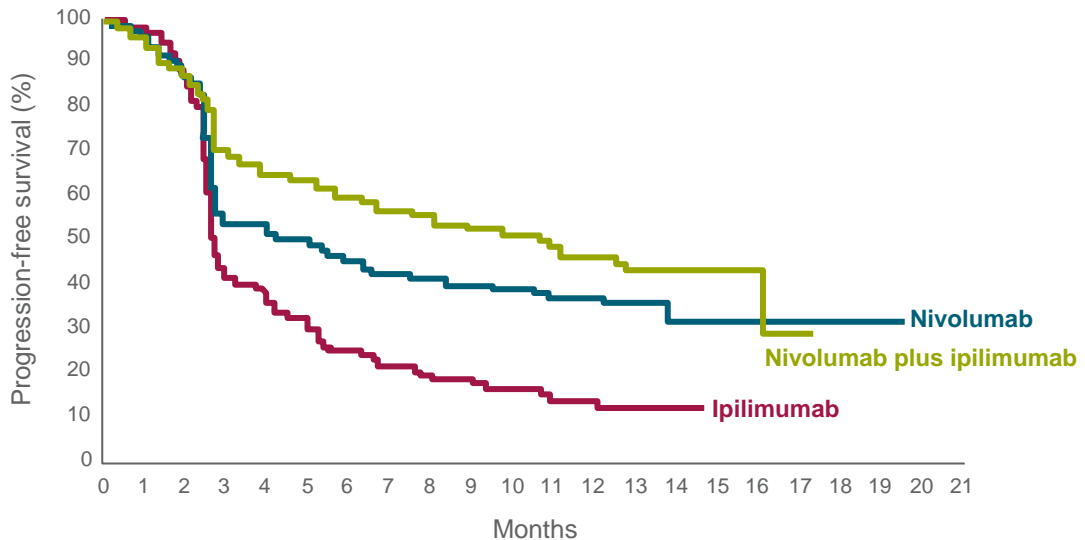


Number at risk

Nivolumab	80	76	71	57	56	54	51	49	49	43	38	32	16	13	5	4	2	0
Nivolumab plus ipilimumab	68	63	61	53	52	47	44	42	42	39	34	24	16	12	3	1	1	0
Ipilimumab	75	69	66	40	33	24	22	21	21	17	16	15	9	6	3	2	2	0

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Patients with PD-L1-negative tumours



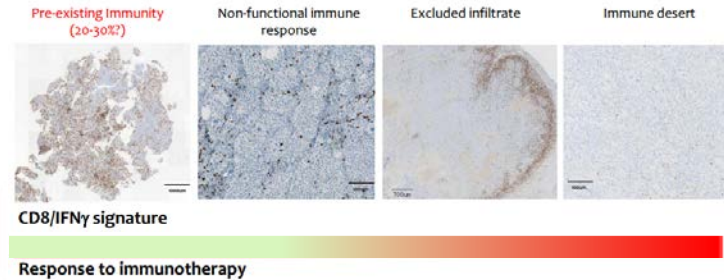
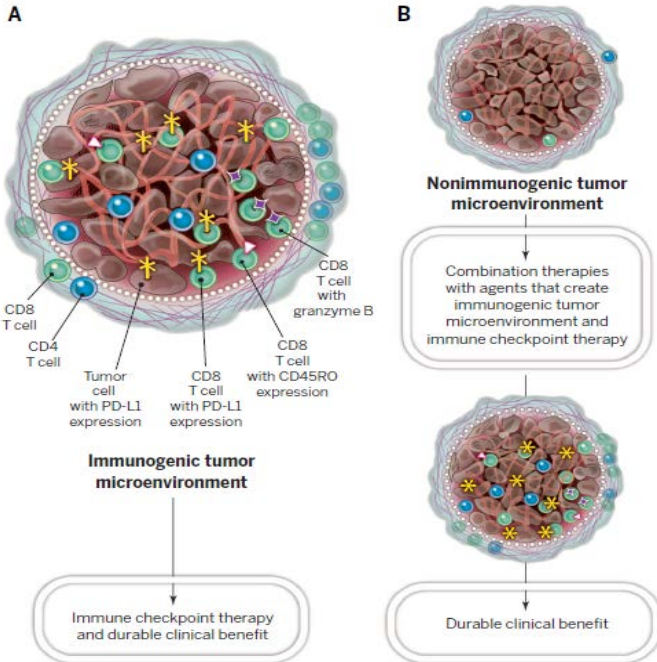
Number at risk

Nivolumab	208	192	178	108	105	98	88	80	76	74	63	50	31	24	9	5	4	2	1	1	1	0
Nivolumab plus ipilimumab	210	195	181	142	134	123	112	106	105	96	88	79	42	36	13	9	6	2	1	0	-	-
Ipilimumab	202	183	166	82	72	59	44	39	35	31	26	22	12	8	3	1	0	-	-	-	-	-

Immunogenic and Non-Immunogenic Tumours – Rationale for Combination Therapy

Potential characteristic of immunogenic and non-immunogenic tumours¹

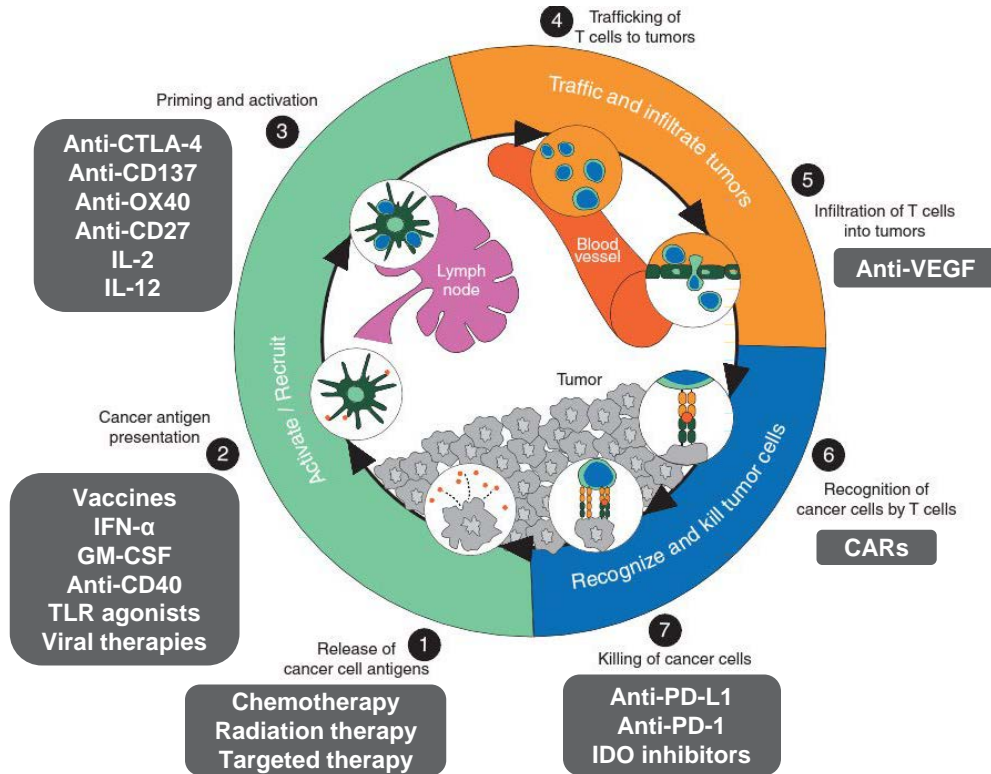
Pre-existing immunity and response to immunotherapy²



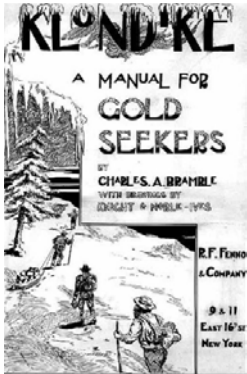
Many or most patients may lack pre-existing immunity

1. Sharma P, Allison JP. *Science* 2015;348:56–61;
2. Adapted from Hegde PS, et al. *Clin Cancer Res* 2016;22:1865–74.

The Cancer Immunity Cycle Includes Many Potential Therapeutic Targets



The IO 'Gold Rush'



Where Will We Strike Gold Next?

Killing of cancer cells

- PD-L2
- LAG3
- TIM-3
- Adenosine A2aR
- B7-H3
- VISTA
- IDO inhibition
- Inhibition of TGF- β signalling
- Oncolytic virotherapy
- DNA damage response inhibitors

Priming and activation

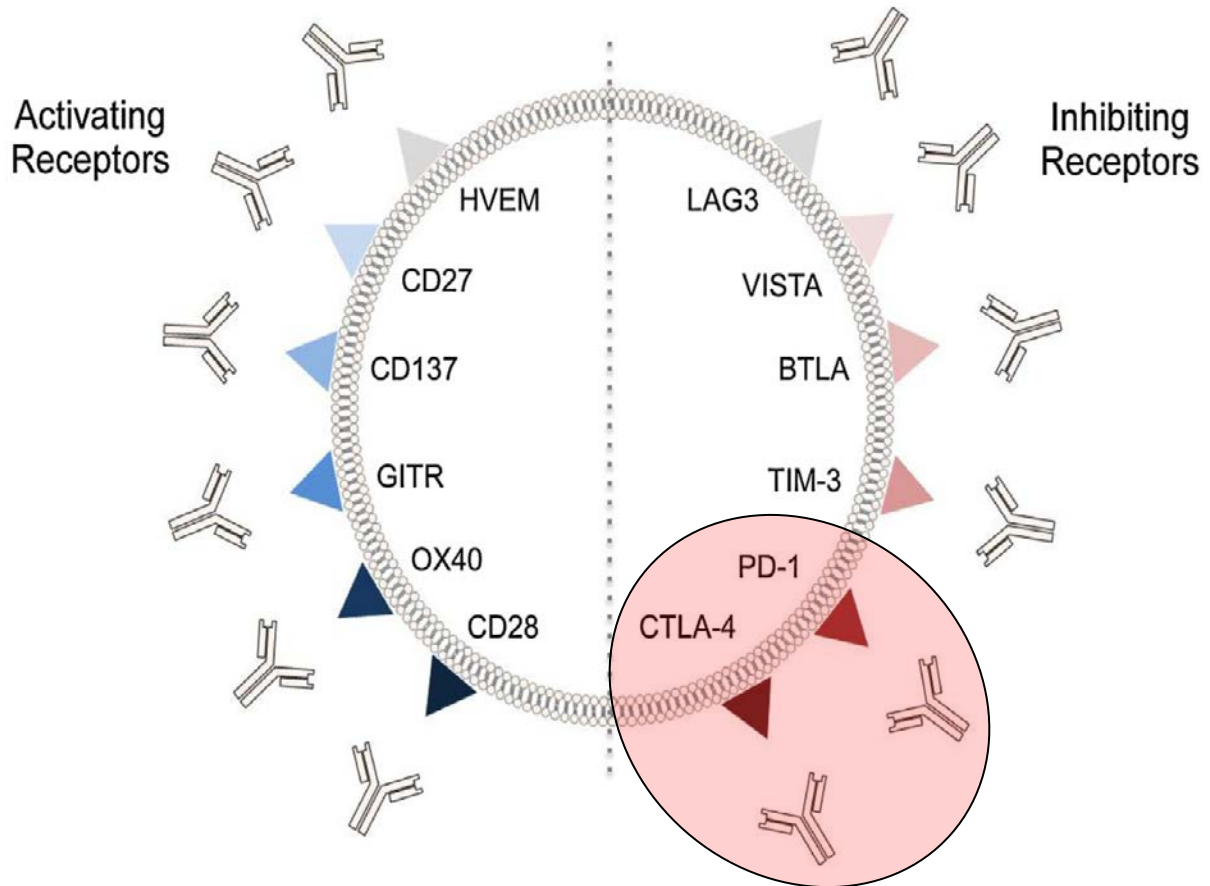
- OX40
- CD137
- GITR
- CD40
- CD27
- 4-1BB
- ICOS
- IL-2
- Vaccines
- Oncolytic virotherapy

Cancer antigen presentation

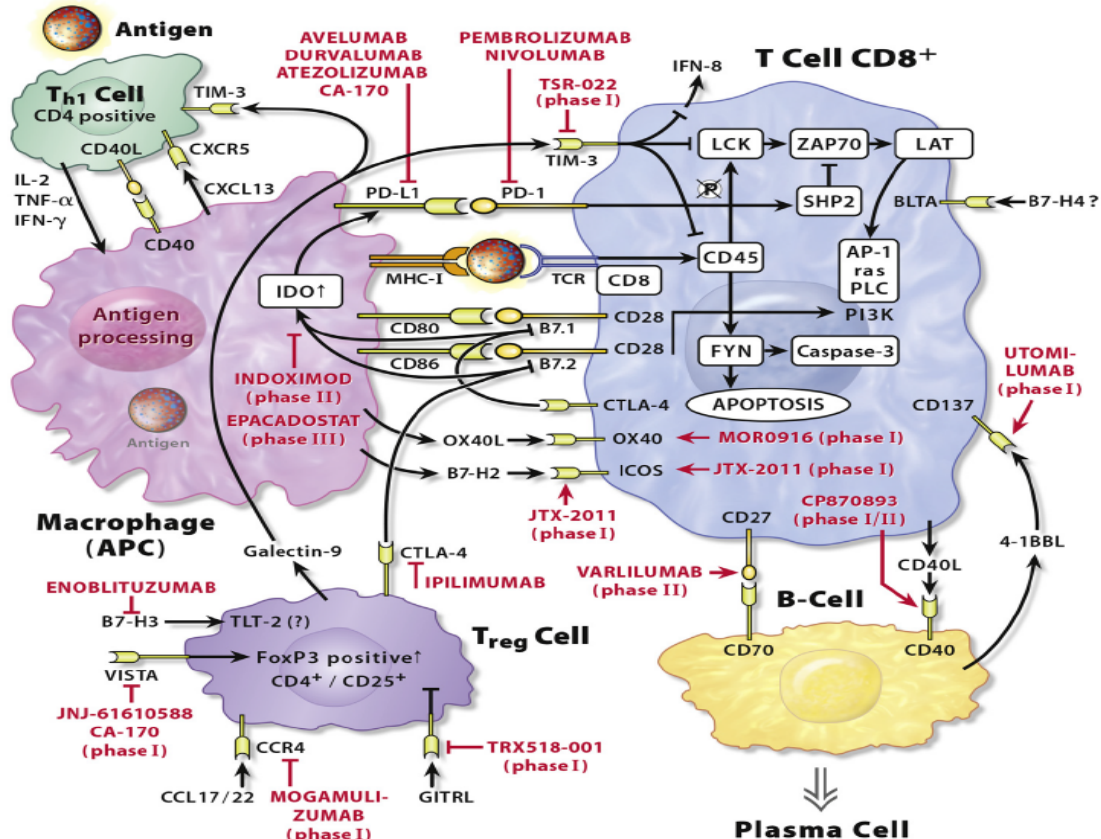
- KIR monoclonal antibodies
- TLR
- MUC1
- IFN- γ

...and they will provide further guidance on selection of therapeutic agents for combination, patient populations and treatment strategies.

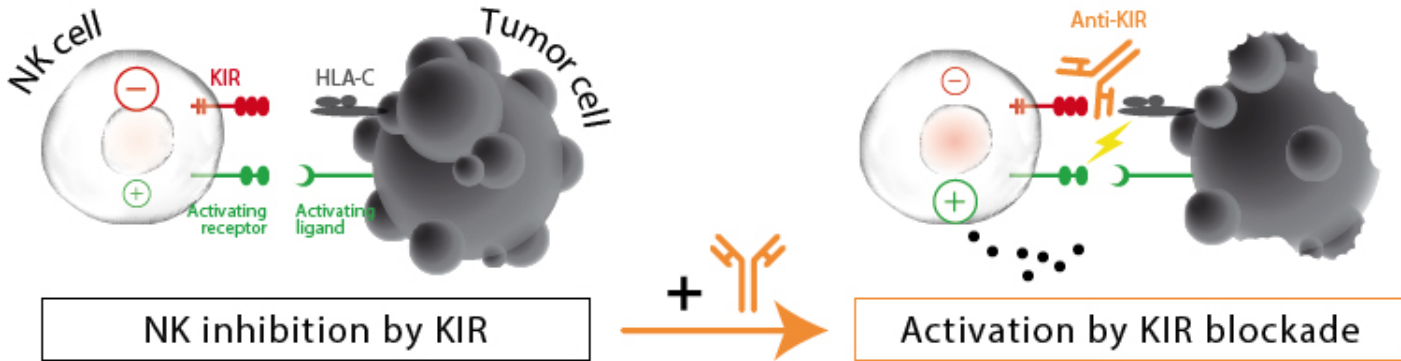
1. IO-IO Combinations



Many Possible Targets and Opportunities



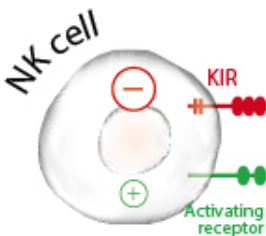
Anti-KIR Monoclonal Antibodies to Activate Innate Immune Response



Anti-K1 Lirilumab/Nivolumab Combo Highly Effective in Head and Neck Cancer

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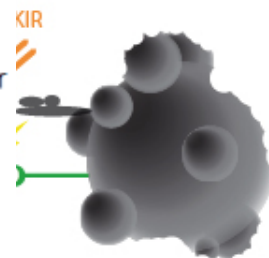
NK inhibi



Rom Leidner, MD

The combination of the killer-cell immunoglobulin-like receptors (KIRs) inhibitor lirilumab with the PD-1 inhibitor nivolumab (Opdivo) resulted in an objective response rate (ORR) of 24.1% in patients with squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck (SCCHN), according to phase I/II findings presented at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) 31st Annual Meeting & Associated Programs.

In the phase I/II study, 29 patients with SCCHN were evaluable for response, of which 3 had a complete response (10.3%) and 4 had a partial response (13.8%), 2 of which were near complete responses with a $\geq 80\%$ reduction in tumor size. The 6-month overall survival (OS) rate with lirilumab plus nivolumab was 90% and the 12-month OS rate was 60%.



KIR blockade

SITC 2016

NATIONAL HARBOR, MD
NOVEMBER 9-13, 2016

Preliminary efficacy from a phase 1/2 study of the natural killer cell-targeted antibody, lirilumab in combination with nivolumab in squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck

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Lirilumab + Nivolumab (NCT01714739) or Nivolumab Monotherapy in SCCHN

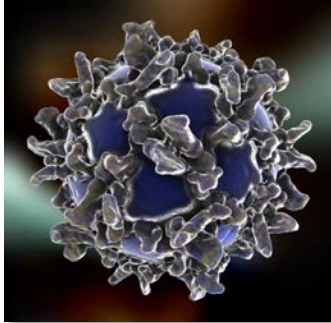
	NCT01714739 (Phase 1/2) Lirilumab + Nivolumab	CheckMate 141 (Phase 3)^{1,2} Nivolumab Monotherapy
ORR, n/N (%)*	7/29 (24.1)	32/240 (13.3)
Complete response*	3 (10.3)	6 (2.5)
Partial response*	4 (13.8)	26 (10.8)
DCR, n/N (%)	15/29 (51.7)	NR
ORR by PD-L1 expression, n/N (%) [†]		
<1%	0/9 (0)	9/73 (12.3)
≥1%	7/17 (41.2)	15/88 (17.0)
≥5%	6/11 (54.5)	12/54 (22.2)
≥50%	4/7 (57.1)	7/19 (36.8)
Overall survival in all patients, % (95% CI)		
At 6 months	90 [‡]	55.6 (48.9, 61.8)
At 12 months	60 [§]	36.0 (28.5, 43.4)

*Includes unconfirmed responses.

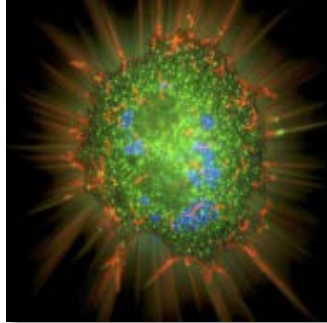
[§]Patients at risk, n = 10/41.

2. Oncolytic Immunotherapy

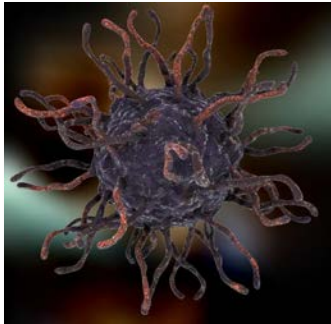
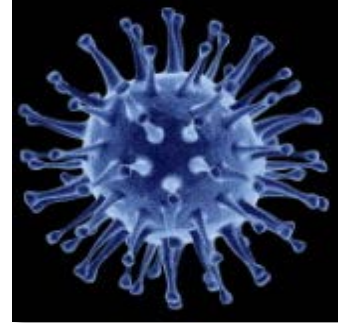
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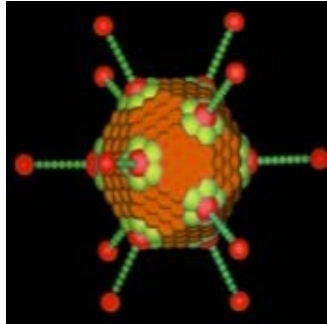
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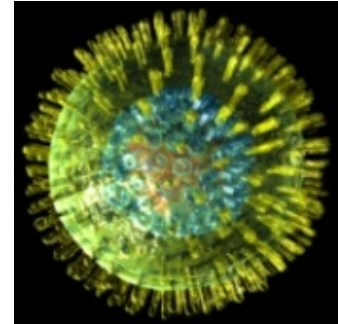
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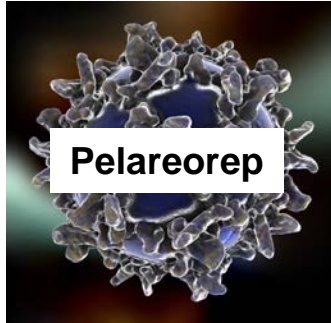


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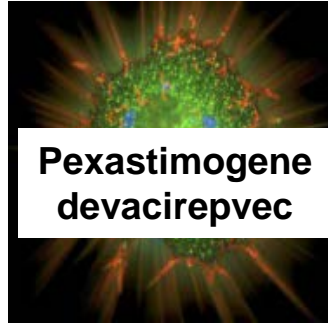


HSV

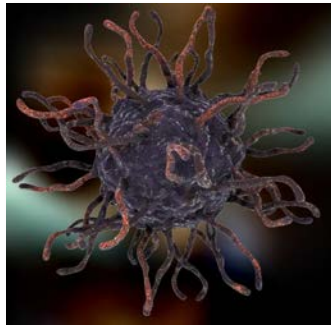
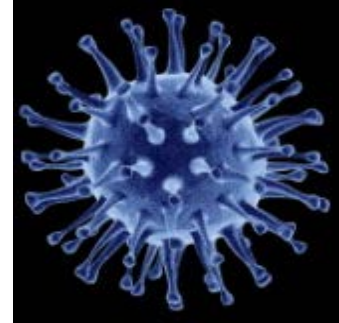
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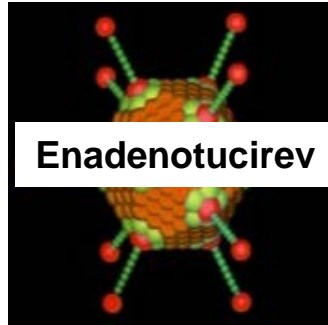
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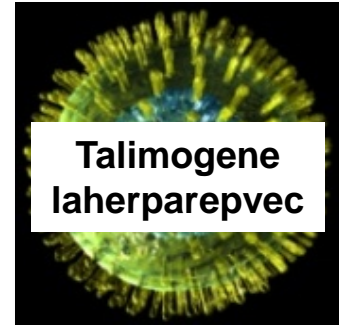
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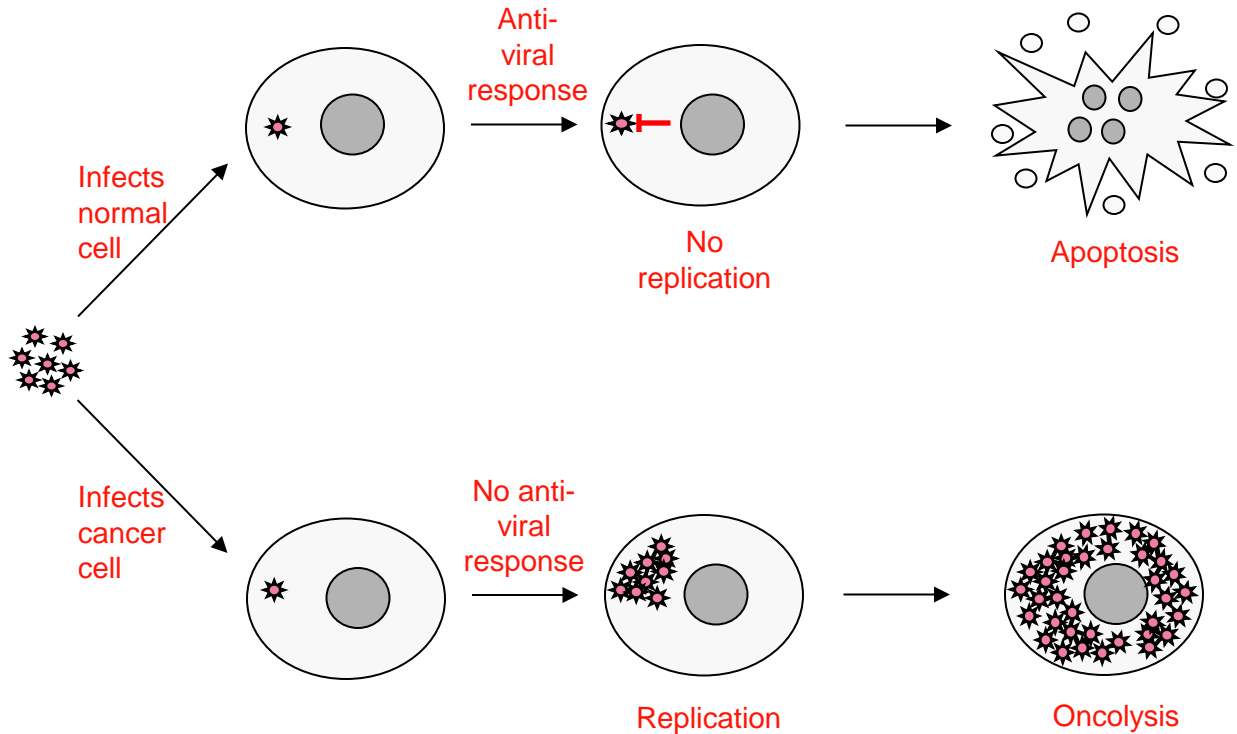


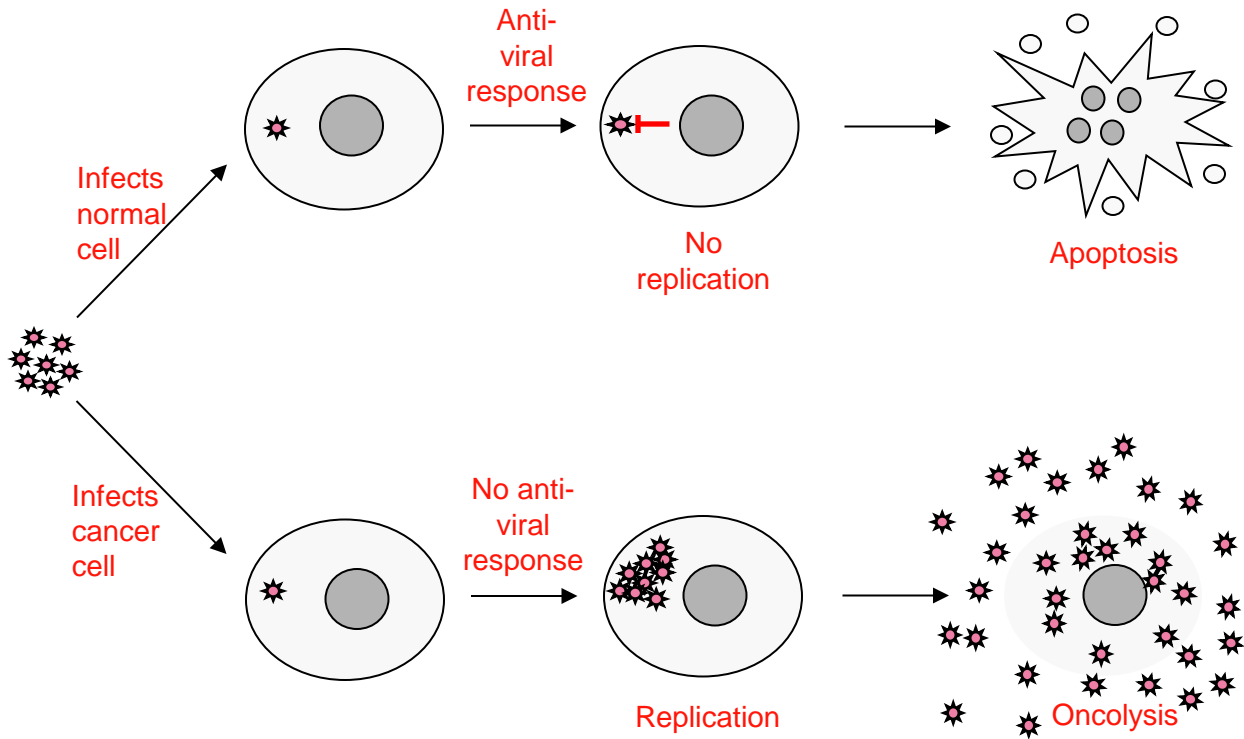
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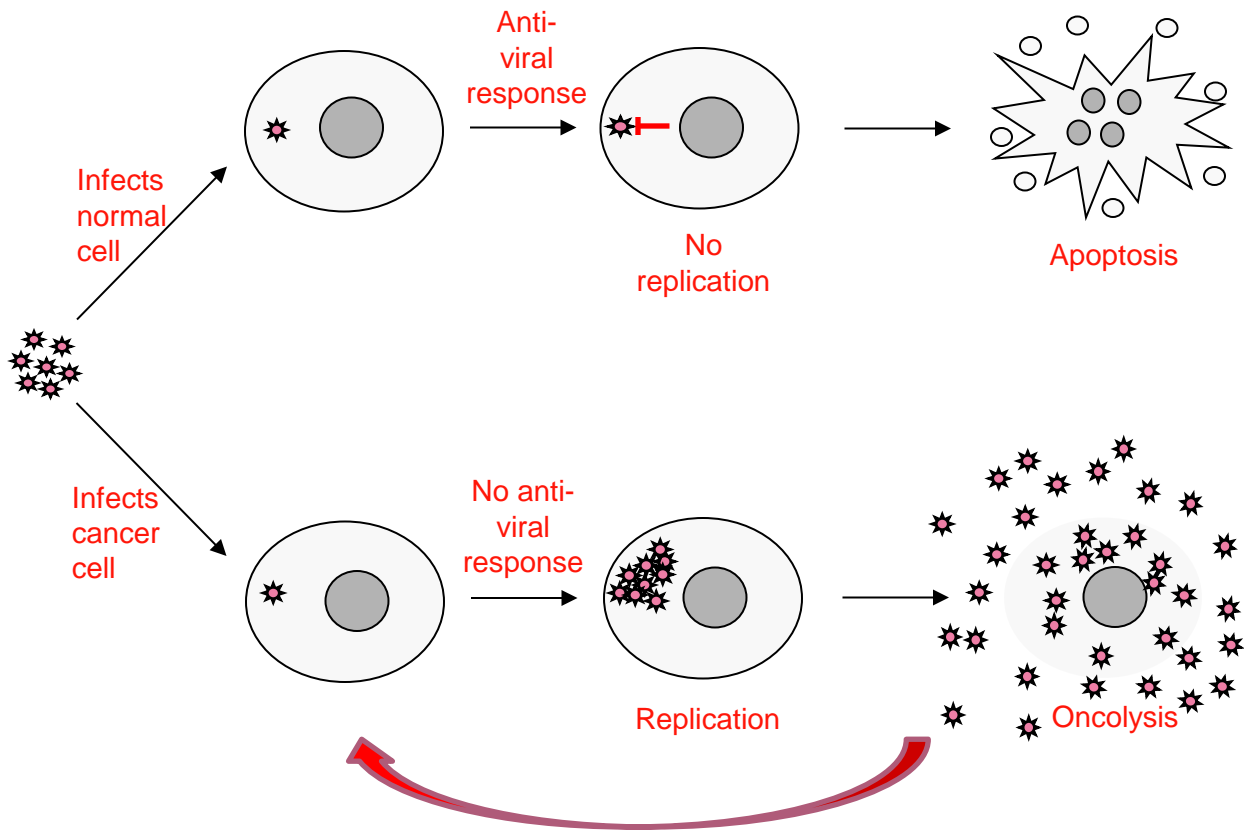


HSV

Oncolytic Viruses: Mechanism of Action



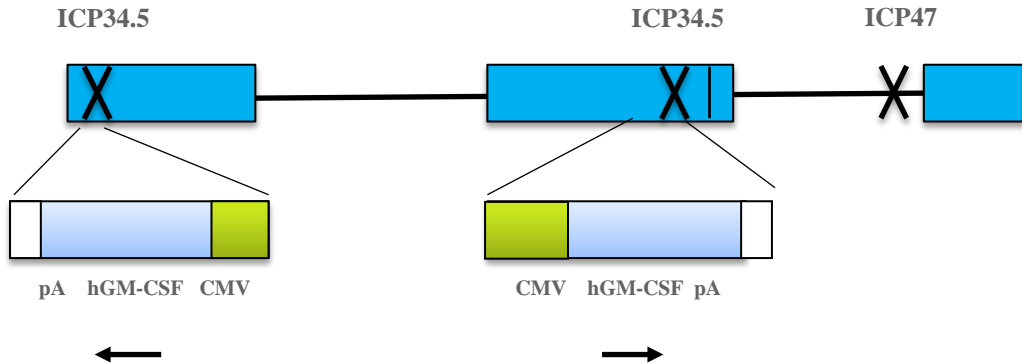




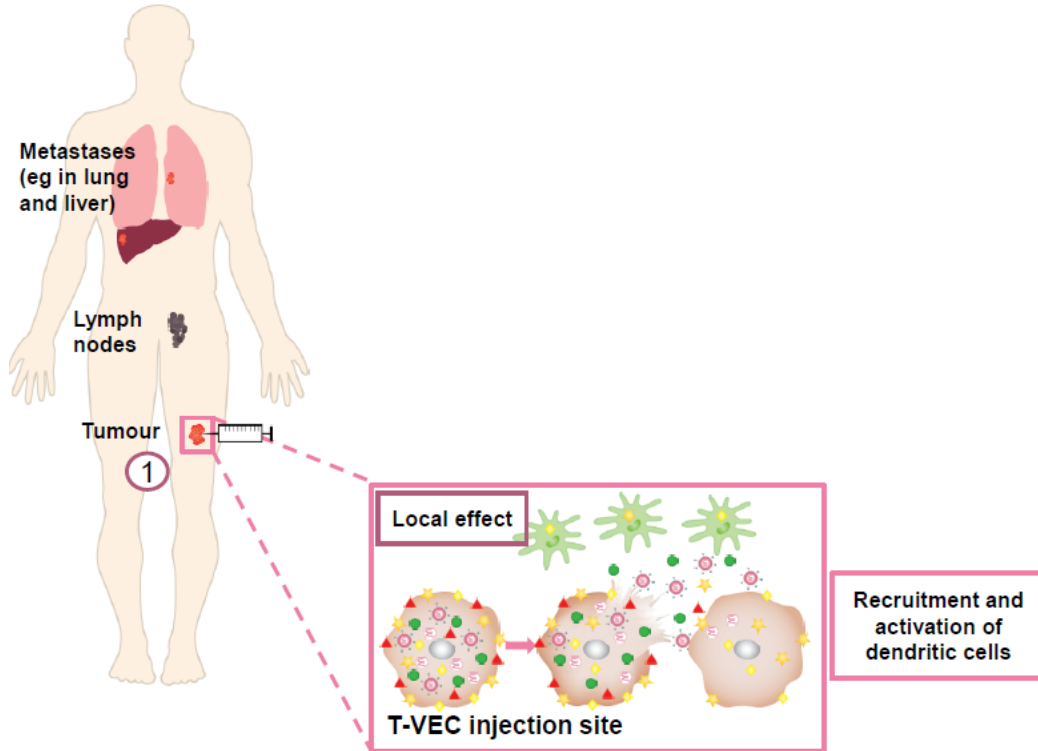
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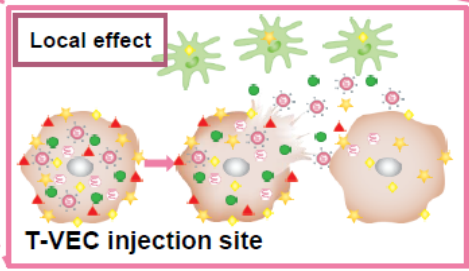
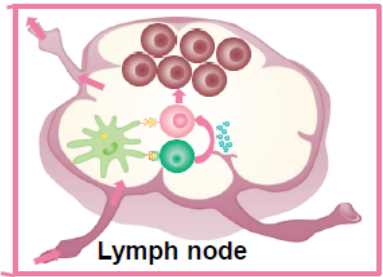
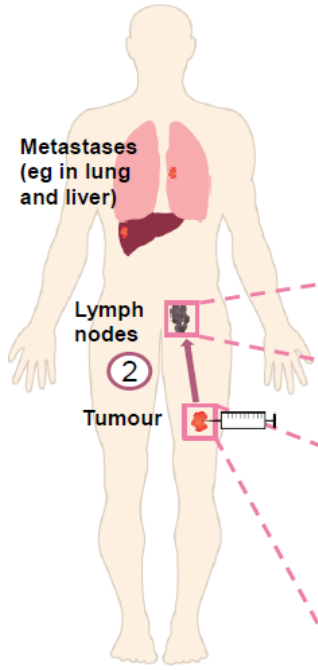
T-VEC: HSV-1-derived oncolytic immunotherapy

Modification	Rationale
HSV-1 strain, JS1	Improves tumour-cell lysis compared with other strains
Deletion of ICP34.5	Provides tumour-selective replication
Deletion of ICP47	Prevents ICP47 from blocking antigen presentation (restores antitumour immune response)
Early/increased US11 (as a result of ICP47 deletion)	Increases replication of ICP34.5-deleted HSV-1 in tumour cells
Insertion of human GM-CSF (2 copies replacing ICP34.5)	Enhances antitumour immune response



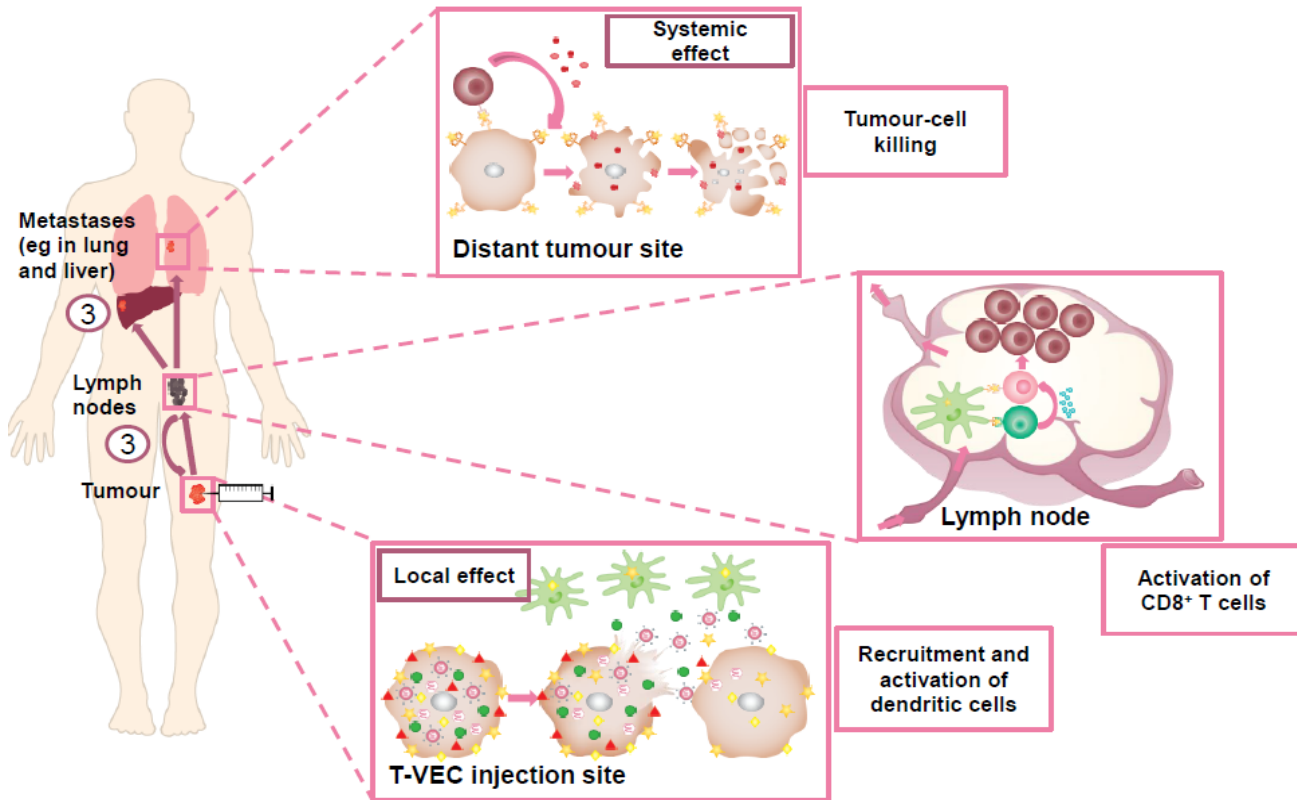
How does T-Vec work?



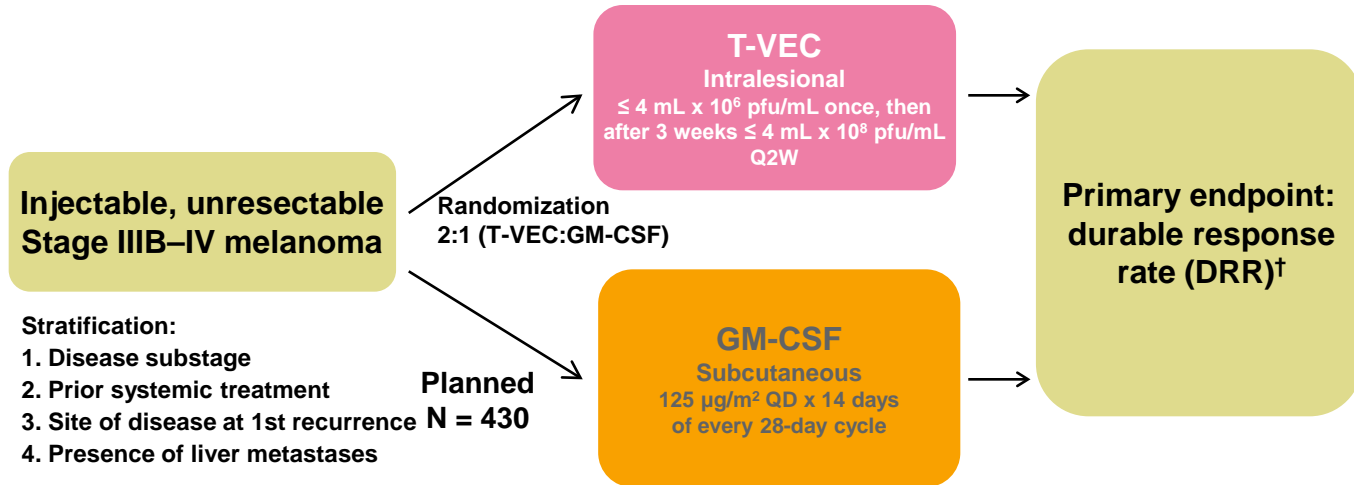


Recruitment and
activation of
dendritic cells

Activation of
CD8⁺ T cells



OPTiM Phase III Trial (005/05)



Primary endpoint: DRR: rate of CR or PR that began at any point within 12 months of initiation of therapy and lasted continuously for 6 months or longer*

Secondary endpoints: OS, objective overall response (CR and PR) rate, safety

*Determined using modified WHO criteria by an independent, blinded endpoint assessment committee. [†]Patients were to remain on treatment for at least 24 weeks despite progression (unless intolerable AEs or investigator decision to start new therapy). QD, once daily.

Example of Interval Progression Prior to Response with T-VEC



54% of T-VEC objective responders and 48% of T-VEC durable responders exhibited interval progression before ultimately achieving response

Endpoints

Primary: DRR

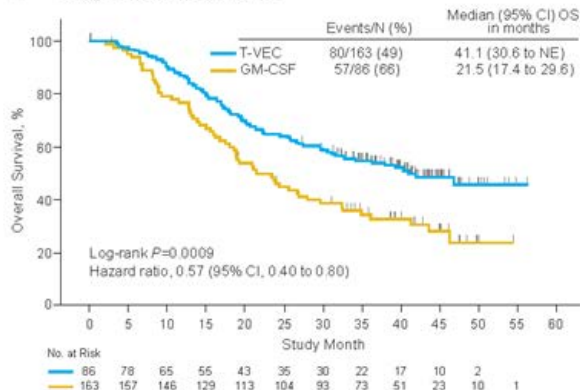
Intention-to-treat (ITT) set	GM-CSF, % (n = 141)	T-VEC, % (n = 295)	Unadjusted odds ratio
DRR	2.1	16.3	8.9 (95% CI: 2.7, 29.2); P < 0.0001

Secondary: ORR

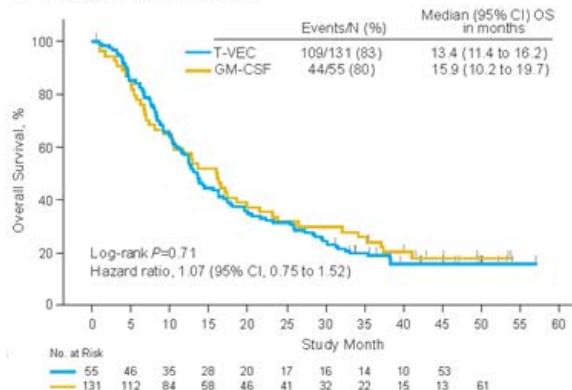
ITT set	GM-CSF, % (n = 141)	T-VEC, % (n = 295)
Objective overall response (95% CI)	5.7 (1.9, 9.5)	26.4 (21.4, 31.5)
CR	0.7	10.8
PR	5.0	15.6

OS by Stage and Line of Therapy

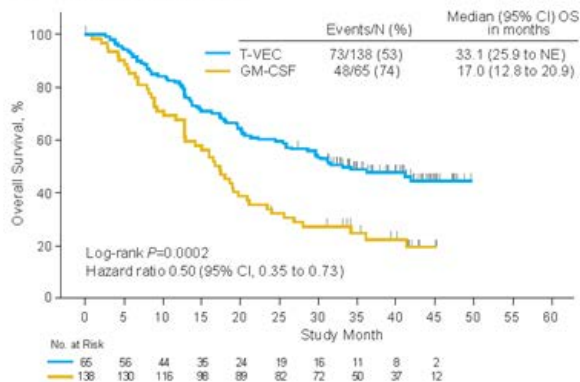
C Stage IIIB/IIIC/IVM1a



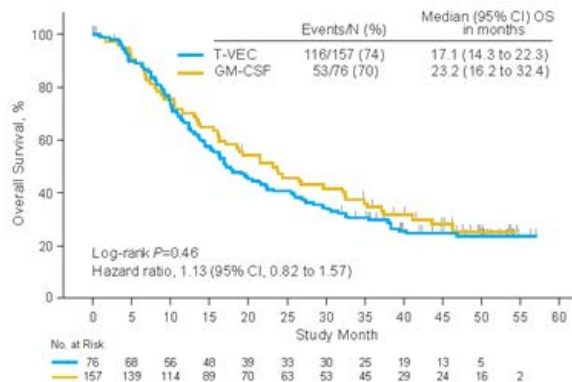
D Stage IVM1b/IVM1c



E First-line therapy



F Second-line or greater therapy





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October 27, 2015

Release

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today approved Imlygic (talimogene laherparepvec), the first FDA-approved oncolytic virus therapy, for the treatment of melanoma lesions in the skin and lymph nodes.

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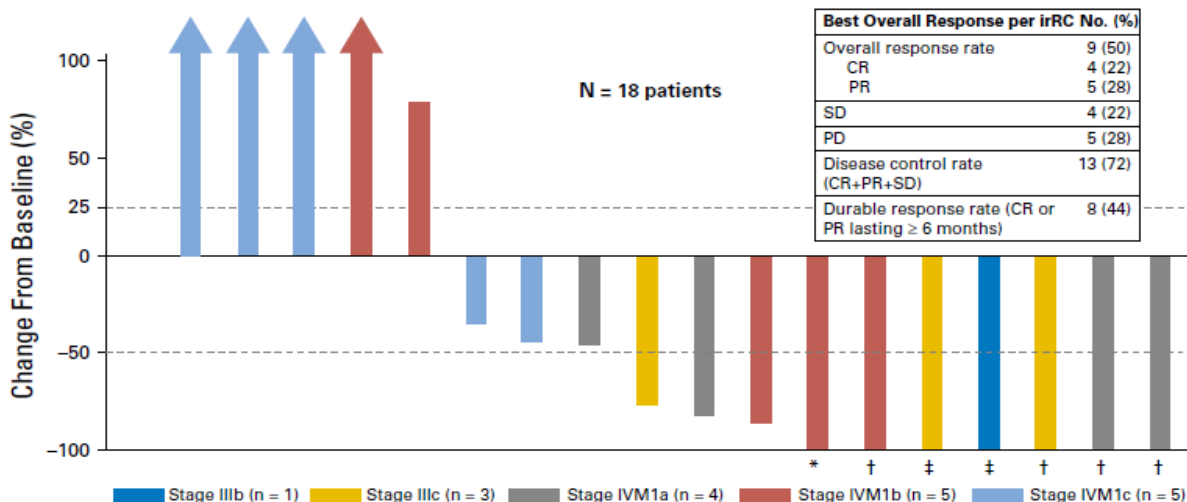
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- 79% stage IV disease
- 21% stage IVM1a
- No DLT
- Grade 3/4 adverse events in 26.3%
- 18-month PFS = 50%
- 18-month OS = 67%

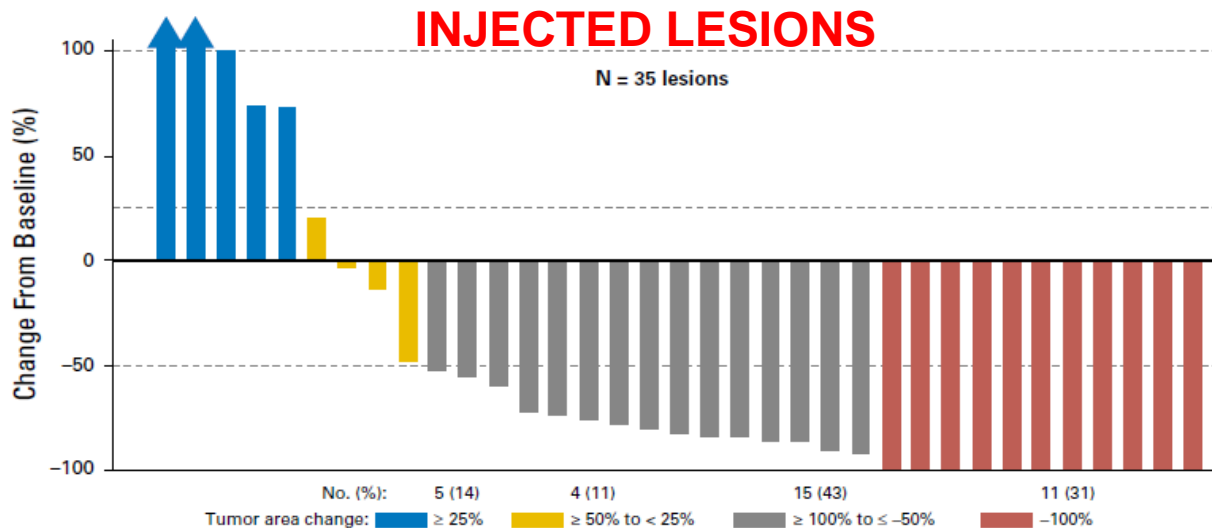
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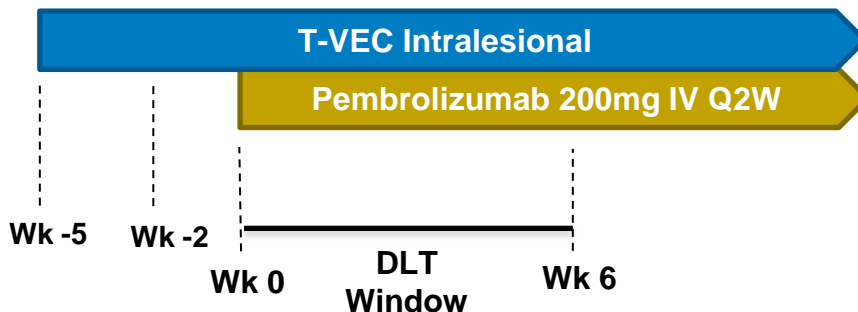
MASTERKEY-265 Phase 1b Study Schema

N = 21

- Unresectable stage III or IV melanoma
- Treatment naive
- Injectable lesions
- No clinically active brain mets
- No active herpetic skin lesions or prior complications from herpetic infection

T-VEC intralesional

- Up to 4 mL per treatment
- 1st dose 10⁶ PFU/mL
- Then 10⁸ PFU/mL Q2W



Treatment until whichever occurs first:

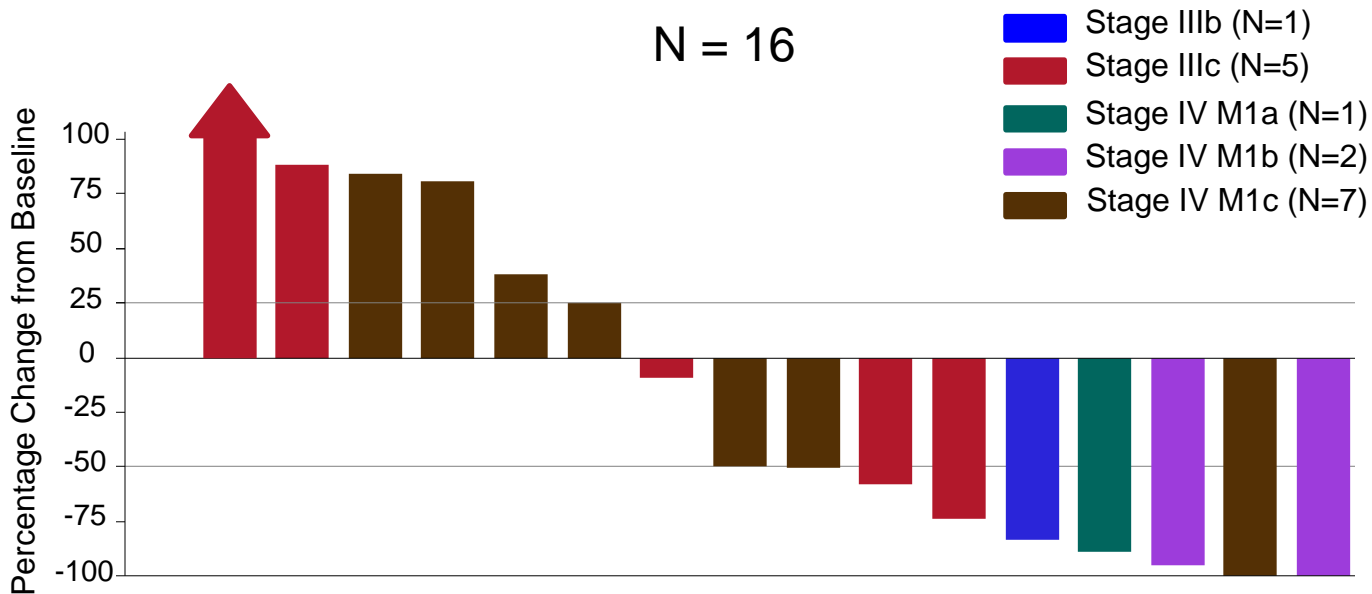
- Progressive disease per irRC
- Intolerance
- All injectable tumors disappeared (T-VEC only)
- 2 Years

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30 (+7) days
after end of
treatment

Best Change in Tumor Burden

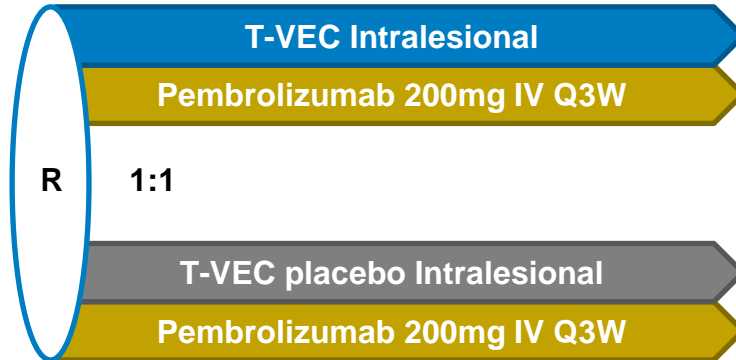


All 16 patients were followed at least 12 weeks from the first dose of pembrolizumab and must have had an evaluable response. Stable disease must be > 77 days to be considered evaluable.

MASTERKEY-265 Phase 3 Study Design

N = 660

- Unresectable stage III or IV melanoma
- Treatment naive
 - Prior BRAFi allowed
- Injectable lesions



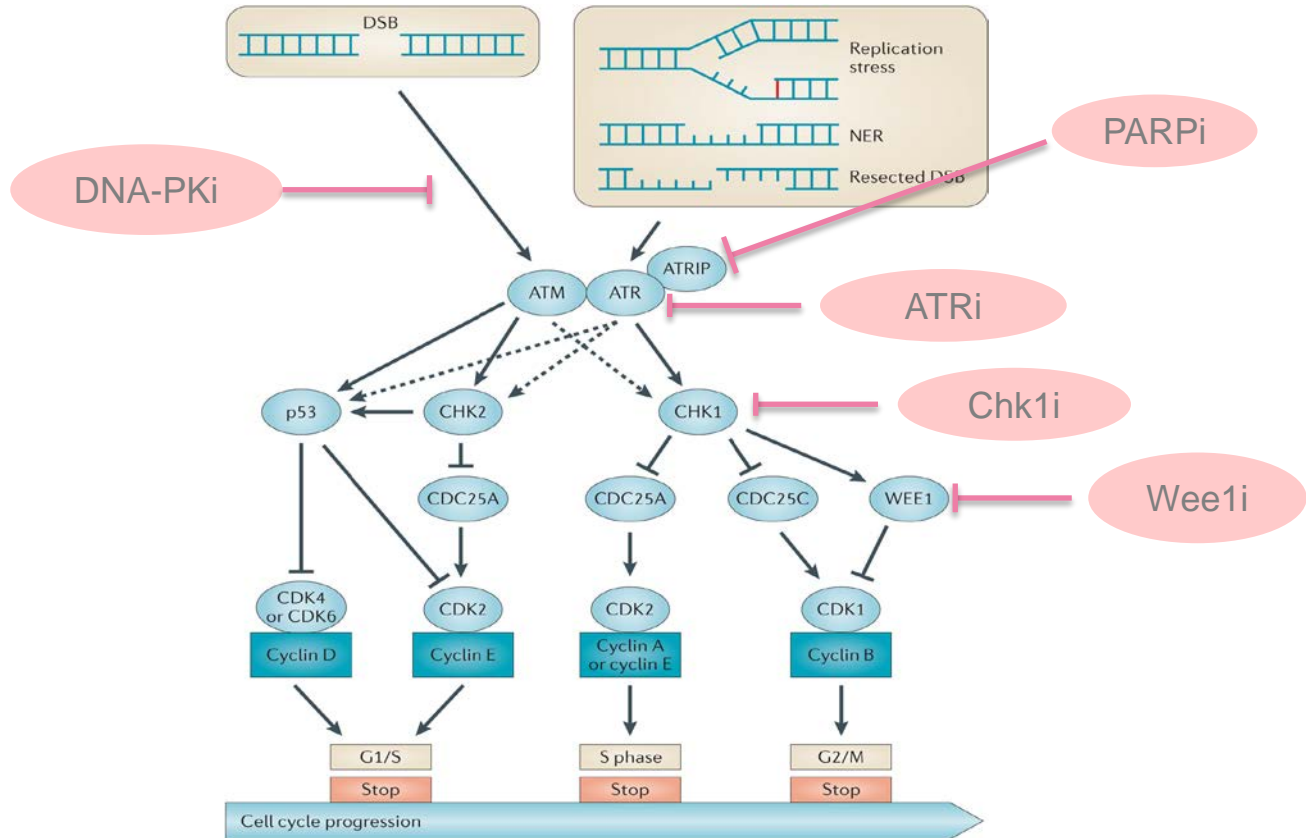
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Primary Endpoints: PFS and OS

**IDENTICAL CLINICAL DESIGN IN RELAPSED/METASTATIC HEAD AND NECK
CANCER (MASTERKEY 232)**

3. DNA Damage Response Inhibition





Conclusions

- IO drugs are transforming clinical practice
- Single agent activities are relatively modest in many tumour histologies
- Combination therapies, with acceptable toxicity profiles, need to be developed
- Potential combinatorial gains may be accrued with IO-IO combination, oncolytic immunotherapy and DDRi
- There are still many trials to be designed, conducted and completed



THANK YOU