

Advanced CRC: Standard and New Targets



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Old and New Options for mCRC

- **chemotherapy:**
 - iv/oral 5FU (Capecitabine, UFT, S1)
 - Oxaliplatin
 - Irinotecan
 - Mitomycin C

NEW: -TAS 102 last line, 2016

- **Targeted drugs: Angiogenesis-/Stroma-Inhibitors**
 - Bevacizumab
 - Aflibercept (2.line)
 - Regorafenib (3./4. line)

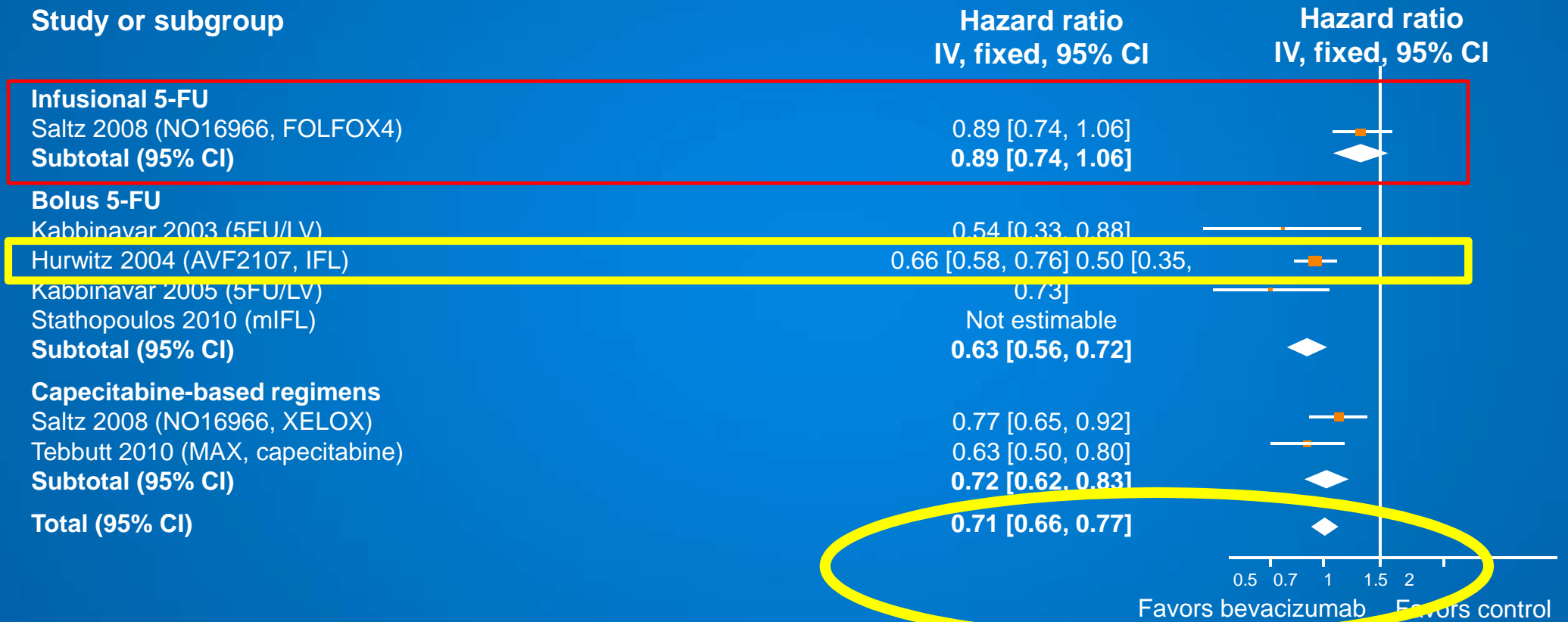
NEW: - Ramicirumab, (2.), 3./4. line

- **Targeted drugs: EGF-Receptor-Inhibitors**
 - Cetuximab
 - Panitumumab
 - Erlotinib (maintenance): wird nicht registriert

NEW Targets:

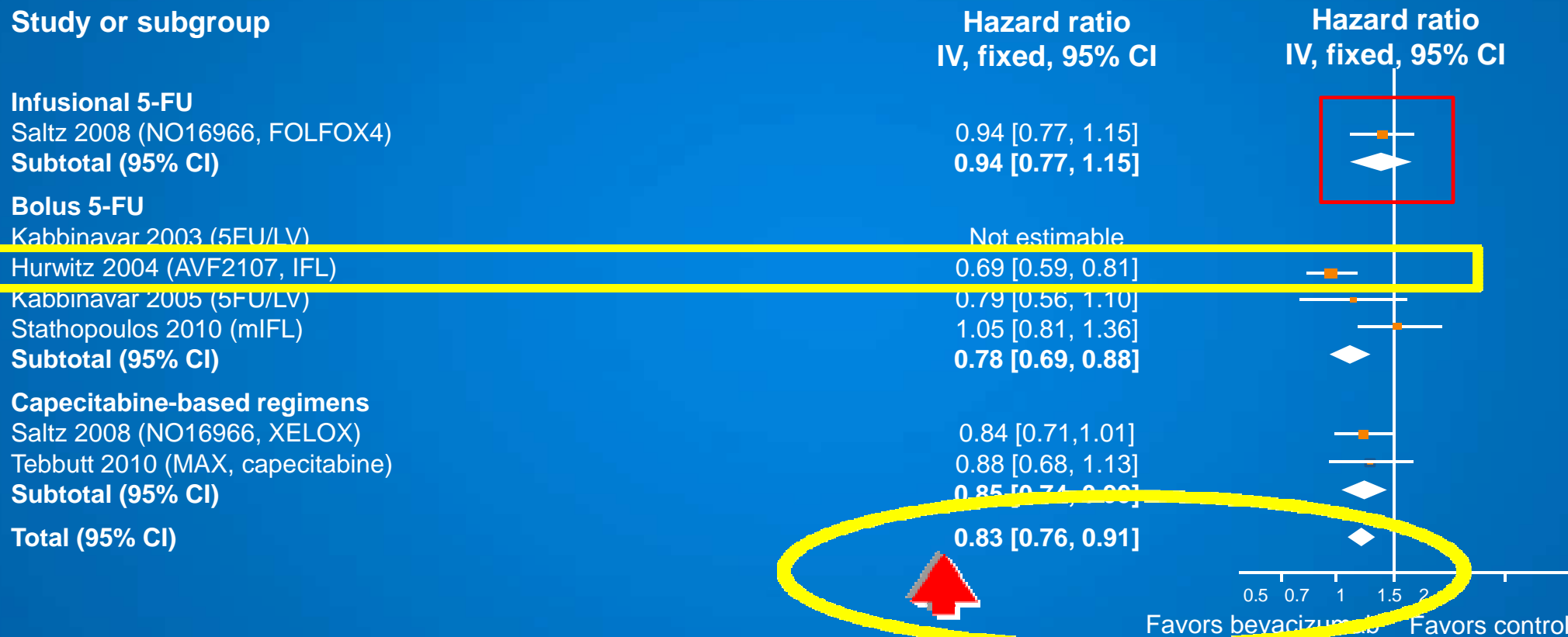
- Her2: Trastuzumab+Lapatinib
- B-raf: Dabrafenib, Vemurafenib
- MEK: Trametinib
- PD1: Nivolumab, Pembrolizumab, Atezolizumab (MSI high)

Bevacizumab in 1st line mCRC – PFS

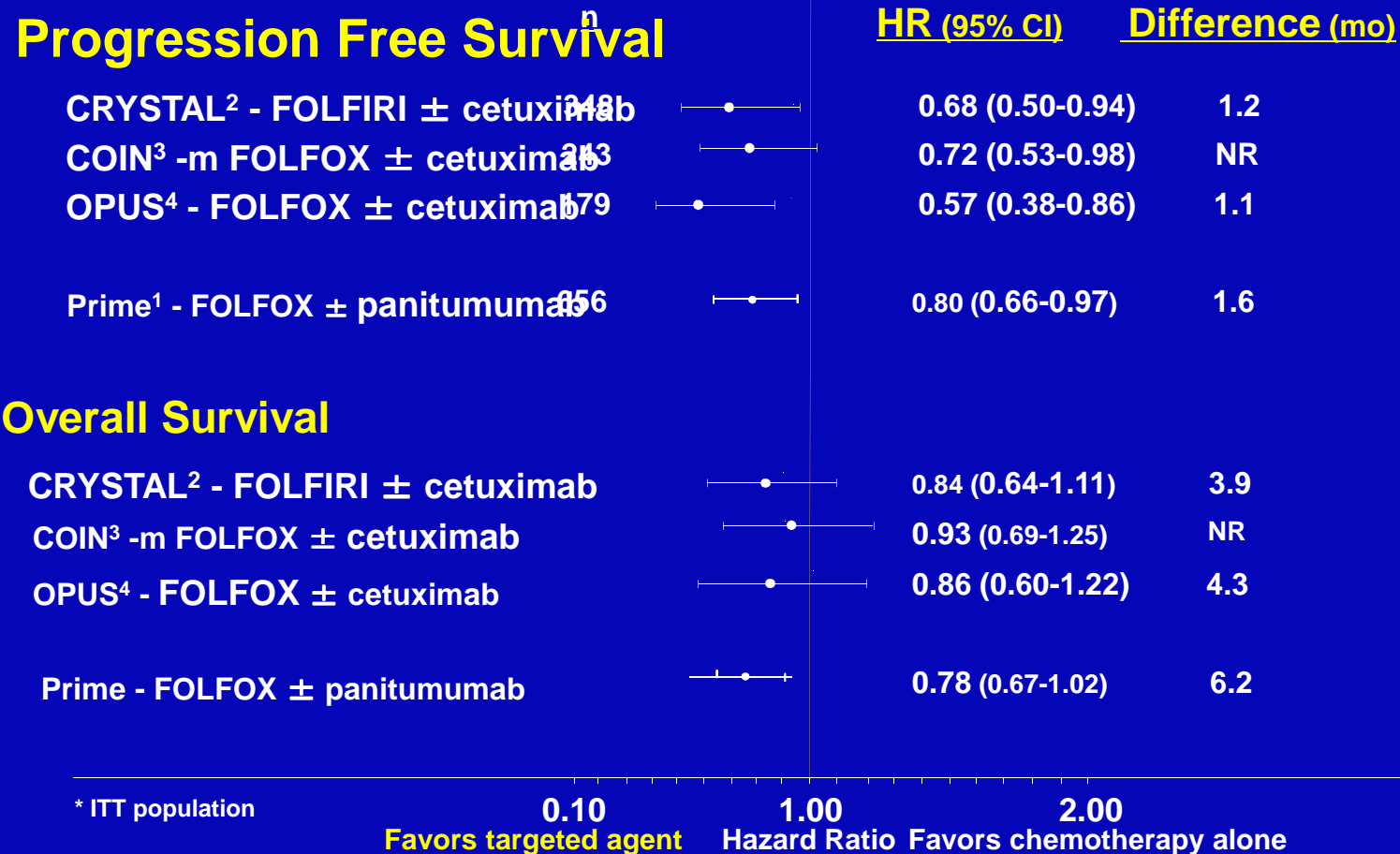


Bevacizumab in 1st line mCRC – OS

No significant OS benefit with BEV with standard infusional CT

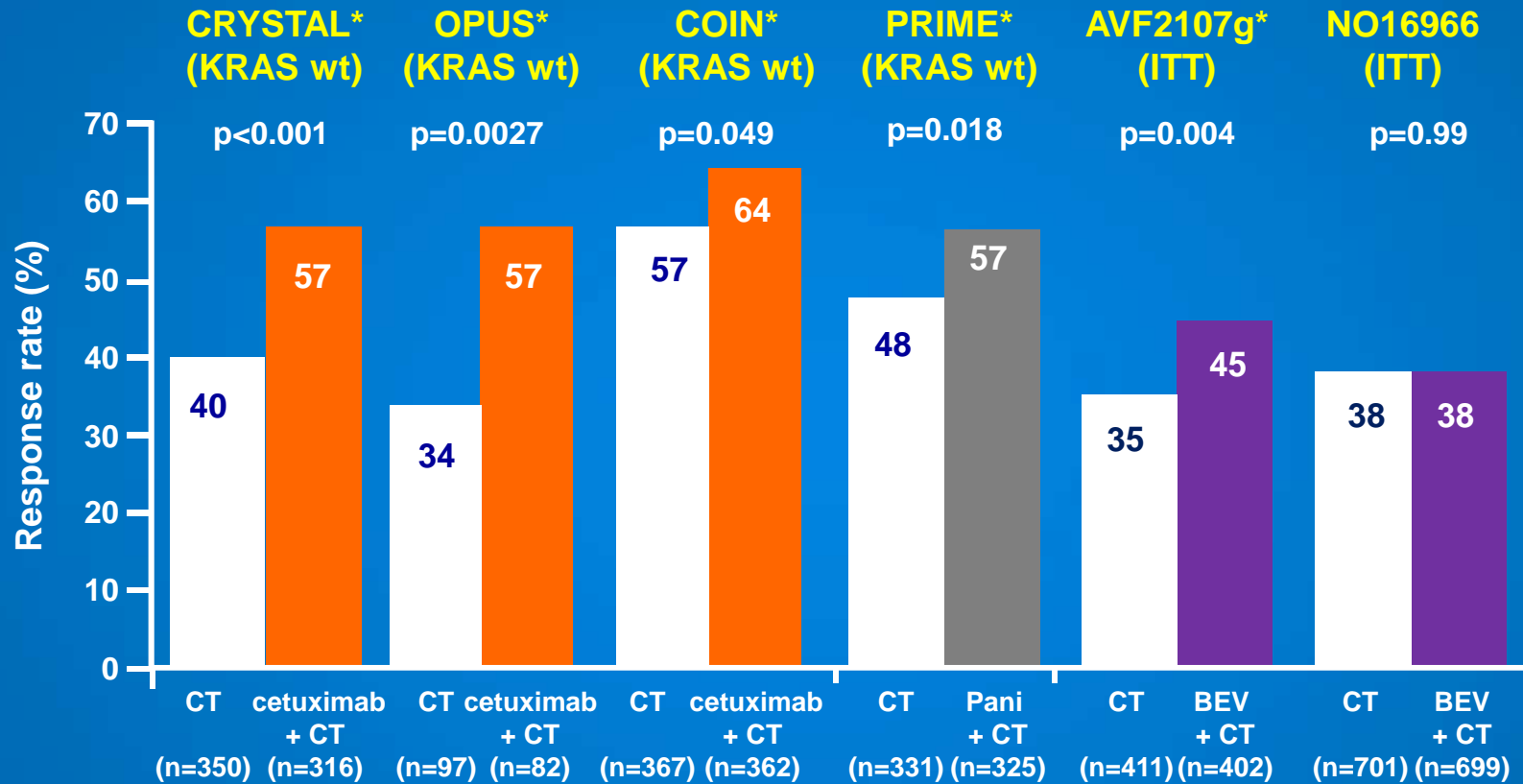


Anti-EGF-R with infusional FU



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EGF-Rec.-AntikörperRR: Chemo-Doublets vs Triplets



*Significant vs chemotherapy control

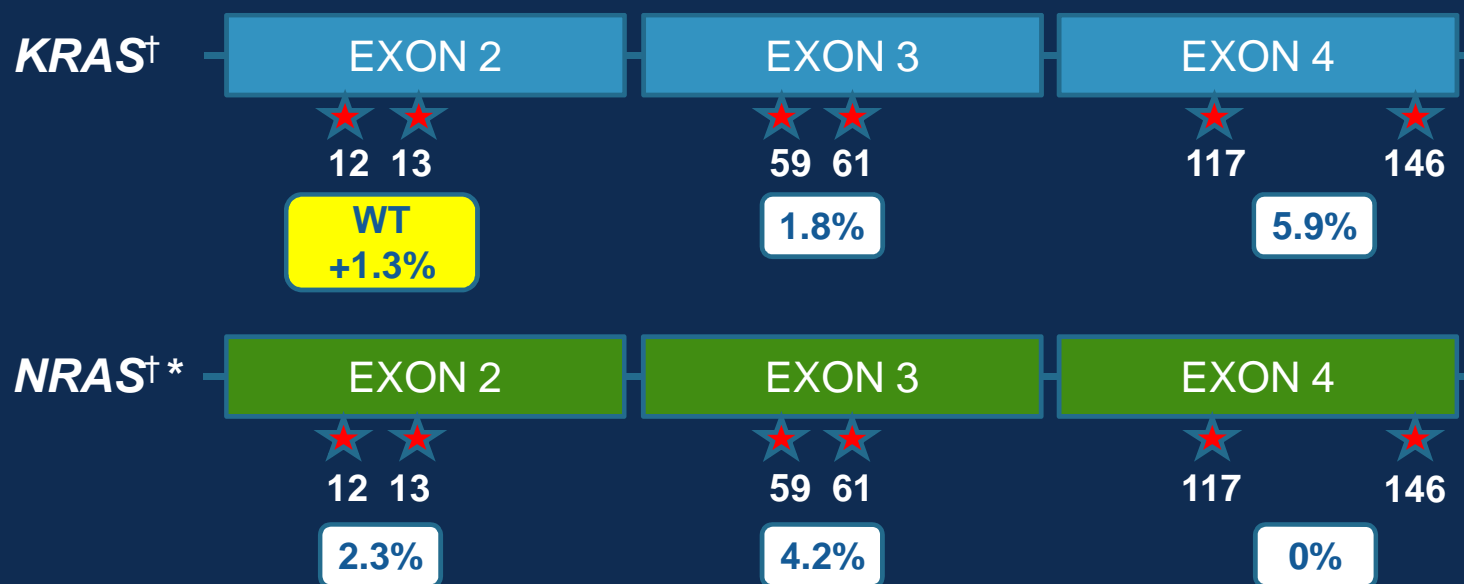
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RAS mutations: CALGB/SWOG 80405

670/1137 patients (59%) with *KRAS* codon 12/13 WT tumors evaluable

621/1137 analyzed (55%) analyzed

95/621 (15.3%) patients new ras mutation identified



[†]Percentages relate to fraction of *RAS* evaluable patients with mutations in particular exons;

*One patient had a mutation at both *NRAS* Exon1 codon12 and *NRAS* Exon3 codon61

RAS mutation rates: first-line studies

Patients with *KRAS* codon 12/13 wild-type tumors

Study	Evaluable patients*	Method	Other RAS mutations, %
CALGB/SWOG 80405	670	BEAMing^{††}	15.3
OPUS	118	BEAMing [†]	26.3
CRYSTAL	430	BEAMing [†]	14.7
FIRE-3 [‡]	407	Pyrosequencing	16.0
PRIME [§]	620	Dideoxy sequencing/WAVE	17.4
PEAK	221	Dideoxy sequencing/WAVE	23.1

*For other tumor RAS mutations

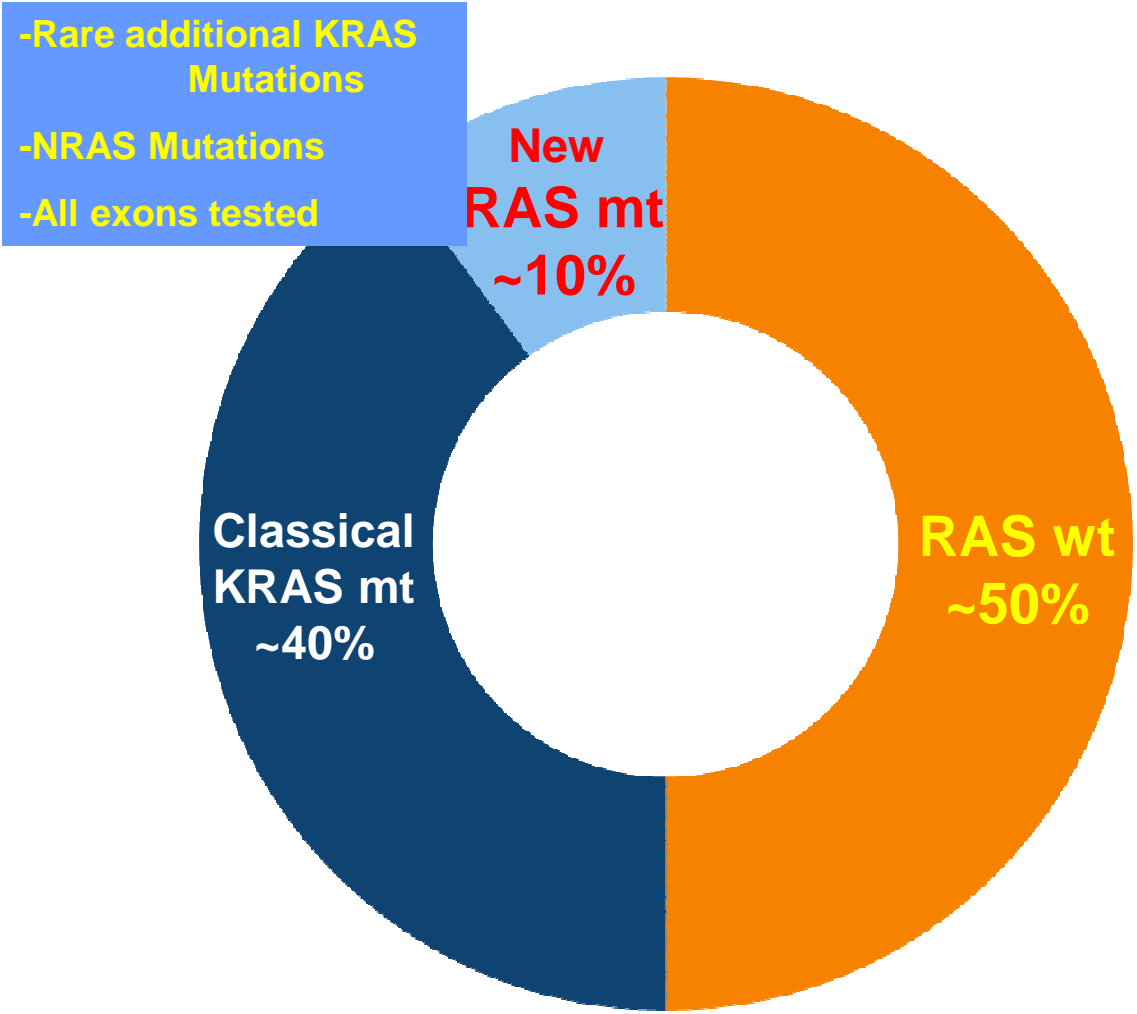
[†]5% mutant/wild-type alleles diagnostic cutoff

^{††}1% mutant/wild-type alleles diagnostic cutoff

[‡]*KRAS* codons 59 and 117 not considered

[§]*KRAS* and *NRAS* codon 59 not considered

PRIME-Trial: Among WT *KRAS* exon 2 patients, an additional 17% of tumours with *RAS* mutations were found



Bevacizumab vs EGFR-inhibitors – 1.line treatment

ChemoBackbone +Cetuxi/Panitumumab

- Deeper response, probably higher resection chance in liver/lung mets?
- Only for **50%** (ras-wild-type) of the patients !!!
- Major side effect: skin toxicity → reduced Quality of life
- No capecitabine possible, No bolus 5FU
- Panitumumab only with FOLFOX

Chemobackbone + Bevacizumab

- For **all** patients – no molecular subgroup!!!
- All types of 5FUBolus-, Infusion possible, but capecitabine more effective (?)
- **No clinically relevant toxicity**

ESMO guidelines 2012: Treatment goals and strategy determined by patient and tumor characteristics

Schmoll H-J, et al. Ann Oncol 2012

Group	Clinical presentation	Treatment goal	Treatment intensity
GROUP 0	Clearly R0-resectable liver and/or lung metastases	Cure, decrease risk of relapse	Nothing or moderate (neoadj.FOLFOX)
GROUP 1	Not R0-resectable liver and/or lung metastases only, may become resectable after induction CT	Maximum tumor shrinkage	Upfront most active combination
GROUP 2	Multiple metastases/sites, with rapid progression and/or tumor-related symptoms	Clinically relevant tumor shrinkage as soon as possible, control PD	Upfront active combination: at least doublet
GROUP 3	Multiple metastases/sites with no option for resection and/or initially asymptomatic with limited risk for rapid deterioration	Prevent further progression, low toxicity	Watchful waiting or sequential approach (triplet regimens only in selected patients)

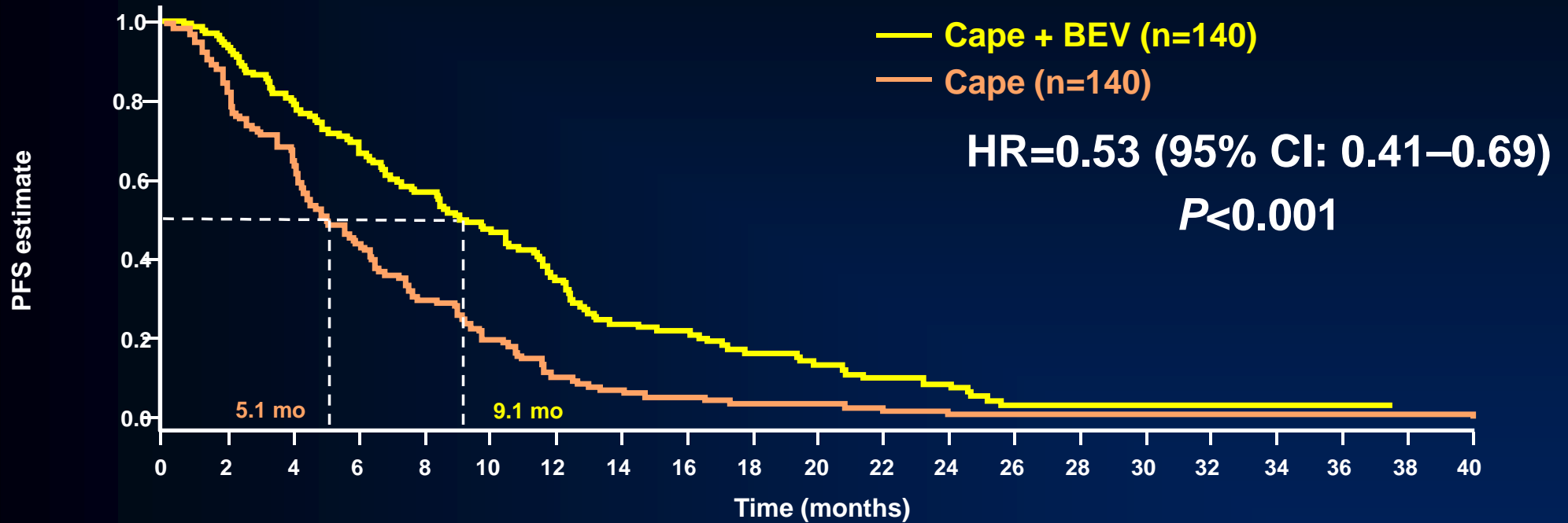
ESMO consensus 2012

(Schmoll H-J., Ann Oncol 2012)

	KRAS wt		KRAS mt	
1	FOLFIRI/FOLFOX + cet FOLFOX + pani FOLFIRI/XELIRI + BEV FOLFOX/XELOX + BEV FOLFOXIRI FOLFOX/XELOX or FOLFIRI/XELIRI IRIS	+++ +++ ++(+) ++(+) ++(+) + +	FOLFOX/XELOX + BEV FOLFOXIRI FOLFIRI/XELIRI + BEV FOLFOX/XELOX FOLFIRI/XELIRI IRIS	+++ ++(+) ++(+) + + +
2	FOLFIRI + cet/FOLFOX+pani FOLFOX/XELOX + BEV FOLFIRI/XELIRI + BEV FOLFOXIRI FOLFOX + cet FOLFOX/XELOX or FOLFIRI/XELIRI IRIS	+++ +++ ++(+) +(+)	FOLFOX/XELOX + BEV FOLFOXIRI/XELIRI + BEV FOLFOX/XELOX FOLFIRI/XELIRI FOLFOXIRI IRIS	+++ ++(+) ++ ++ ++ +
3	FUFOL/capecitabine +/- BEV FOLFIRI/XELIRI or XELOX/FOLFOX IRIS Cet/pani (mono) Watchful waiting/triplets (+/-BEV/cet/pani)	+++ ++ + (+) +*	FUFOL/capecitabine +/- BEV XELOX/FOLFOX FOLFIRI/XELIRI IRIS Watchful waiting/triplets +/-BEV	+++ ++ ++ + +*

AVEX – PFS

First-line Trial in Pts ≥ 70 yrs



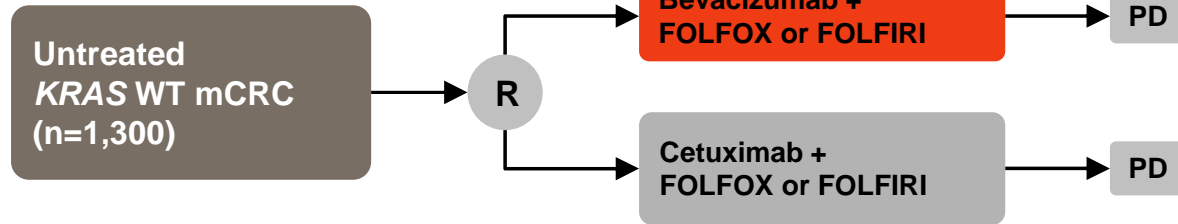
	Number at risk																				
	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40
Cape + BEV	140	121	99	80	68	55	41	28	23	16	13	9	8	3	2	2	2	2	1	0	0
Cape	140	109	82	56	38	25	13	9	6	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0

Ras-wild type tumors:

1. line: Head-to-head (H2H) Trials

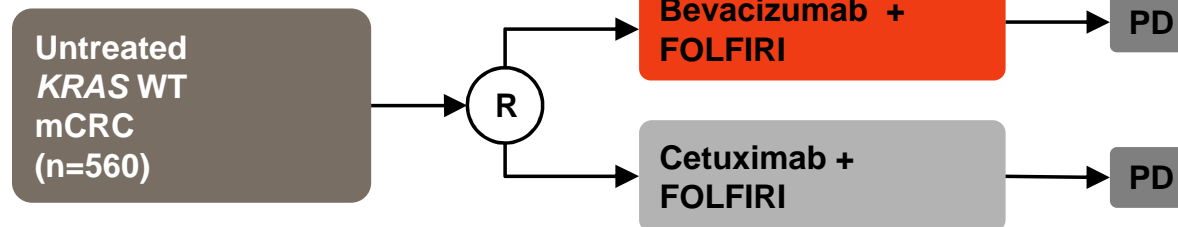
CALGB 80405
(phase III)

● Primary endpoint: OS



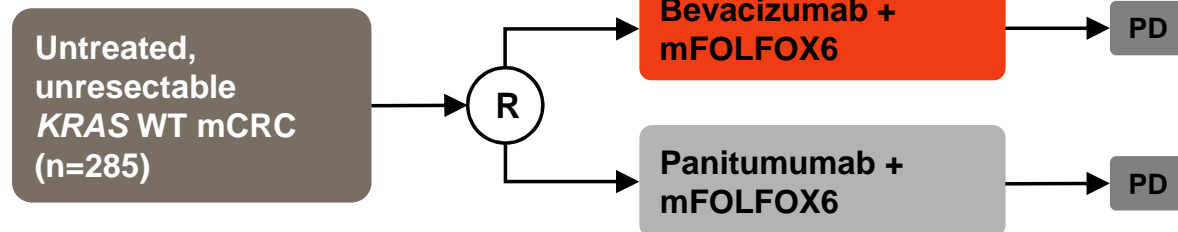
FIRE III
(phase III)

● Primary endpoint: ORR



PEAK
(phase II)

● Primary endpoint: (PFS)



CALGB vs FIRE III: H2H - comparison (all ras wt)

	CALGB 80405¹ Beva vs Cetuximab RAS WT (n=670)	FIRE 3^{2,3} Beva vs Cetuximab RAS WT (n=342)
RR	53.8% vs 68.6% p<0.01	60% vs 65% ns. 56% vs 72% (eval. pts.) OR 2.01 p=0.003
Early Tumor Shrinkage	NA	68.2% vs 49.1% OR 2.22 p=0.0005
Deepness of Response	NA	48.9% vs 32.3% p<0.0001
PFS, months	11.3 vs 11.4 HR 1.1 p= 0.31	10.3 vs 10.2 HR 0.97 p=0.77
OS, months	31.2 vs 32.0 HR 0.90, p=0.40	33.1 vs 25.0 HR 0.697 p=0.0057

FOLFIRI plus cetuximab versus FOLFIRI plus bevacizumab as first-line treatment for patients with metastatic colorectal cancer (FIRE-3): a randomised, open-label, phase 3 trial



Volker Heinemann, Ludwig Fischer von Weikersthal, Thomas Decker, Alexander Kiani, Ursula Vehling-Kaiser, Salah-Eddin Al-Batran, Tobias Heintges, Christian Lerchenmüller, Christoph Kahl, Gernot Seipelt, Frank Kullmann, Martina Stauch, Werner Scheithauer, Jörg Hielscher, Michael Scholz, Sebastian Müller, Hartmut Link, Norbert Niederle, Andreas Rost, Heinz-Gert Höffkes, Markus Moehler, Reinhard U Lindig, Dominik P Modest, Lisa Rossius, Thomas Kirchner, Andreas Jung, Sebastian Stintzing

WTRas

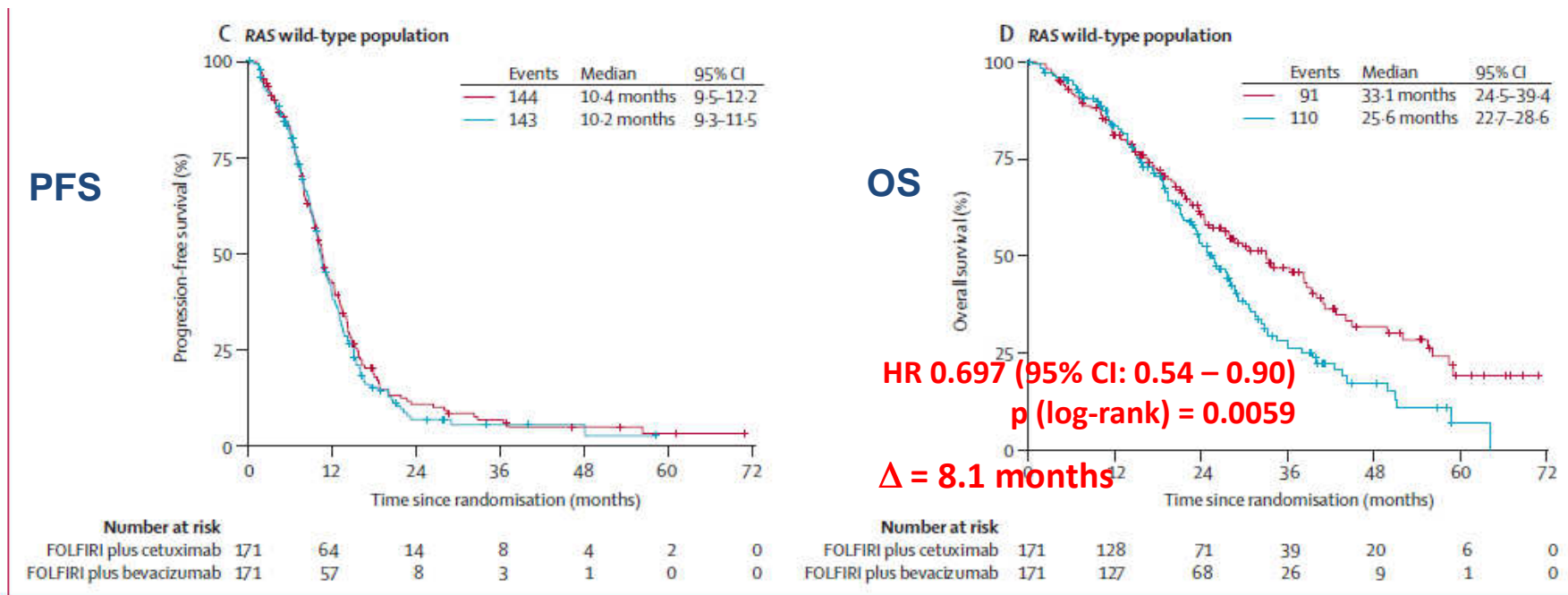


Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier estimates of progression-free and overall survival

In the intention-to-treat (A and B) and RAS wild-type (C and D) populations, according to treatment group. FOLFIRI=fluorouracil, folinic acid, and irinotecan.

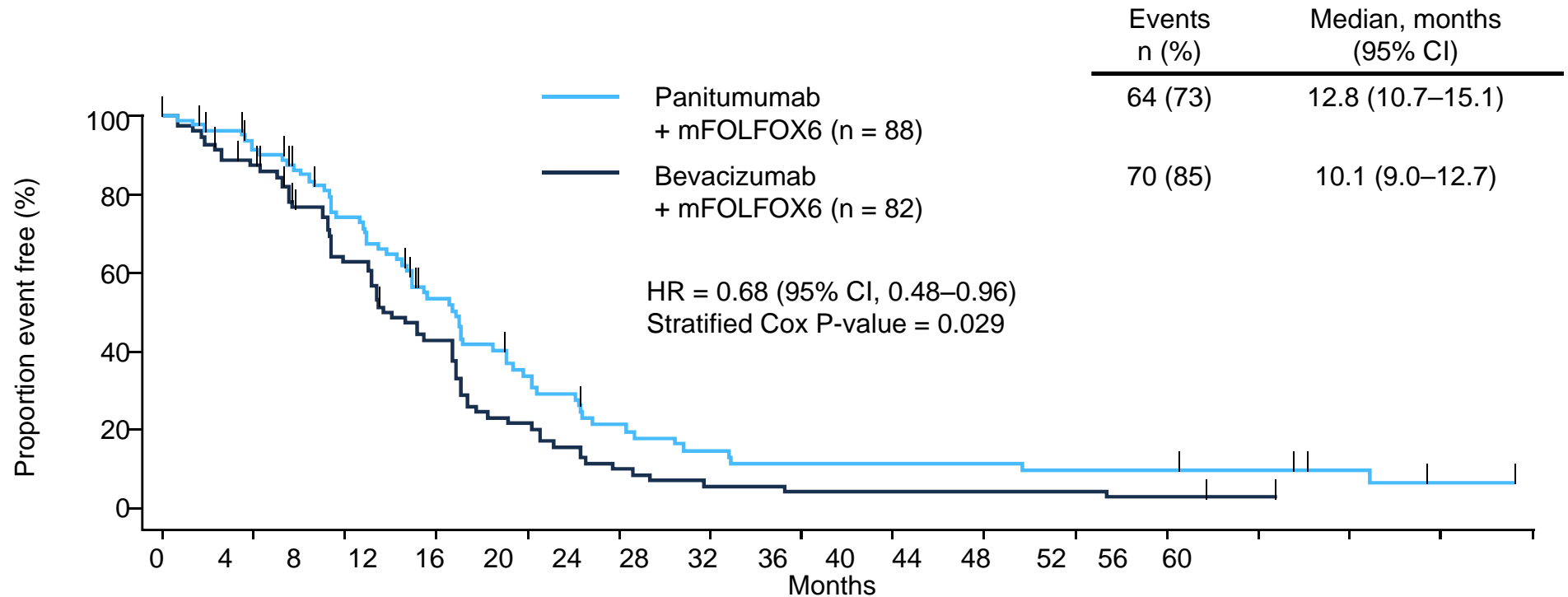


PEAK: FOLFOX + Panitumumab – final analysis

PFS (WT RAS population)

Rivera F, et al. Eur J Cancer 2015;51(Suppl 3):S1–S810:abstract 2014 (and poster).

Rrate 64% vs 60%

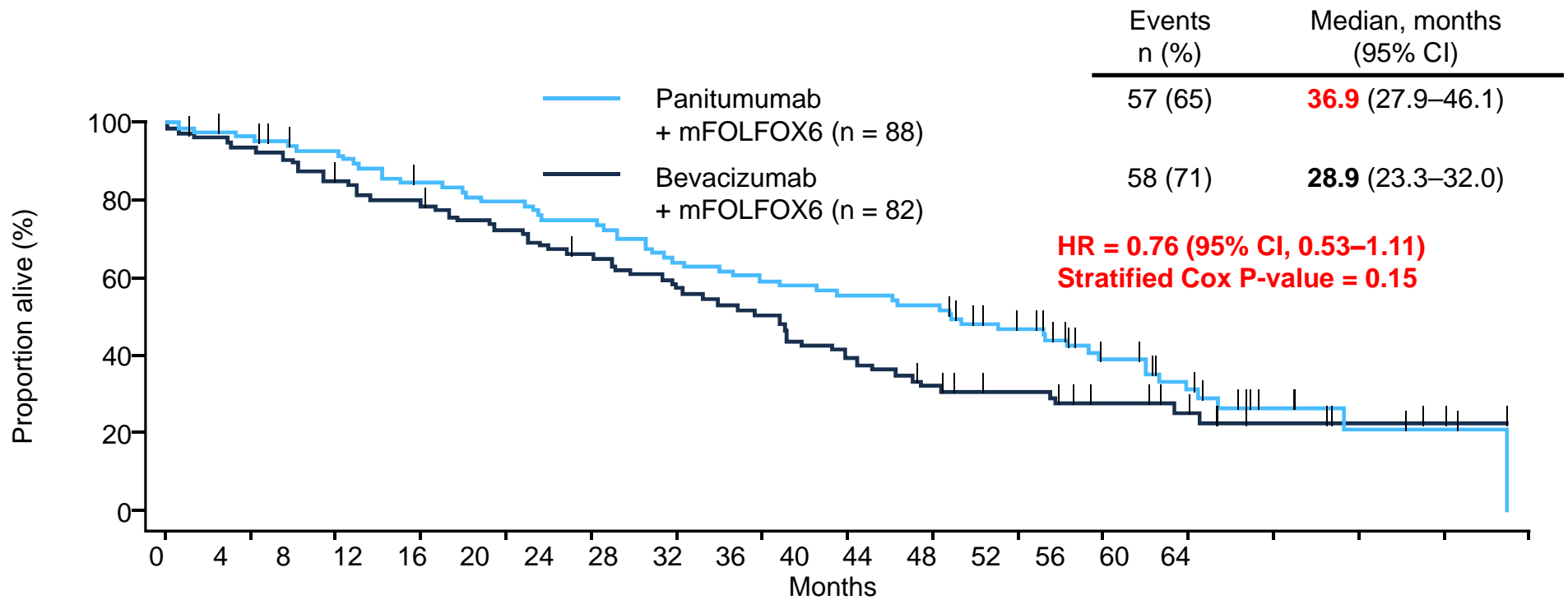


Pmab + mFOLFOX6	88	72	55	36	22	13	9	7	7	7	6	6	5	3	1	0
Bmab + mFOLFOX6	82	68	45	30	14	7	4	3	3	3	3	2	1	0	0	0

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Pmab, panitumumab; Bmab, bevacizumab.

PEAK study: OS WT RAS population

Rivera F, et al. Eur J Cancer 2015;51(Suppl 3):S1–S810:abstract 2014 (and poster).

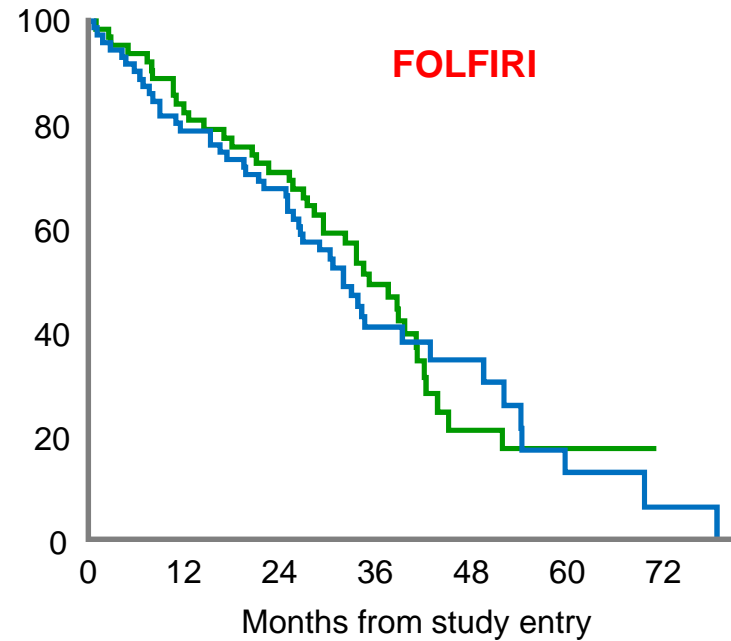
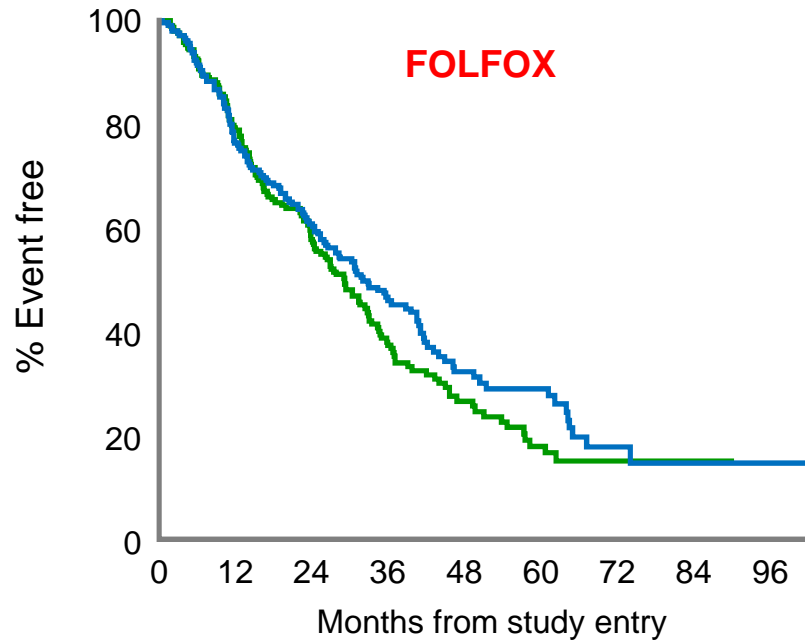


Pmab + mFOLFOX6	88	84	78	70	66	62	53	49	46	44	34	22	15	7	3	2	0
Bmab + mFOLFOX6	82	76	69	63	57	51	44	39	31	23	19	14	10	5	3	2	0

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CALGB 80405 (all RAS wild type): OS by chemo-backbone

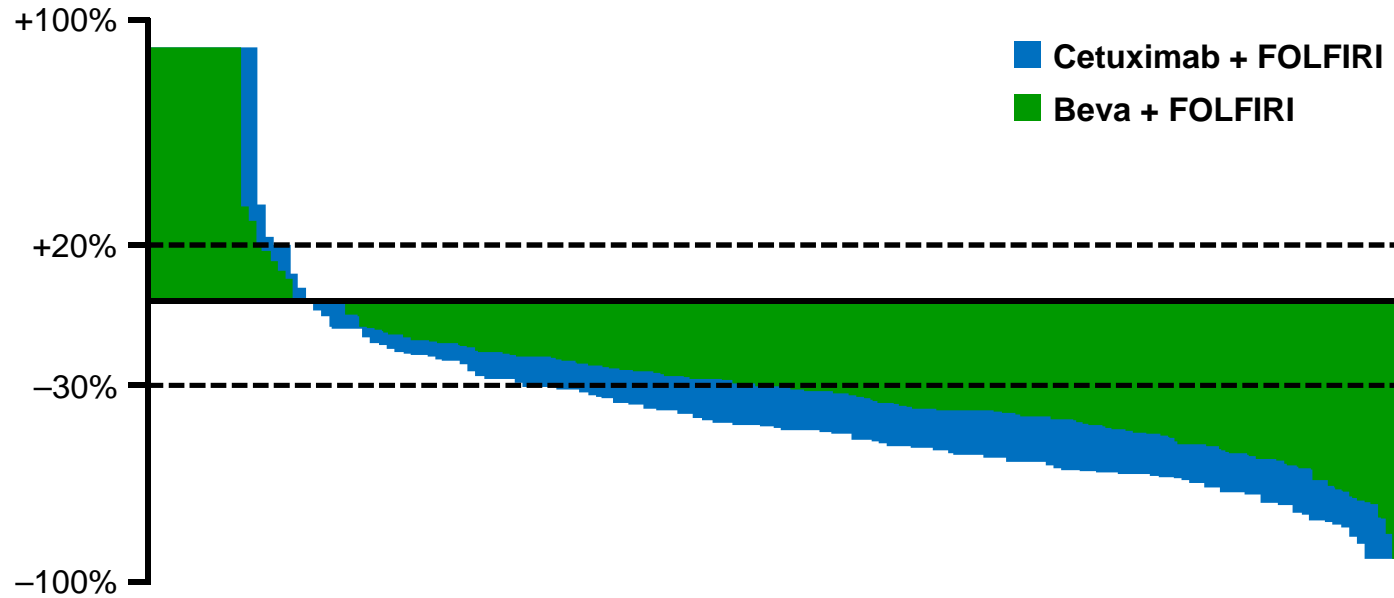
Lenz, et al. ESMO 2014. Abstract 5010



FOLFOX				FOLFIRI		
Arm	Median	HR (95% CI)	p	Median (95%)	HR (95% CI)	p
Chemo +Bev	29.0 (24.0-32.8)	0.86 (0.6-1.1)	0.2	35.2 (28.3-41.3)	1.1 (0.7-1.6)	0.7
Chemo +Cetux	32.5 (26.1-40.4)			32.0 (25.6-42.9)		

FIRE-3: RAS wild-type (n=330): Response

Stintzing, et al. ESMO 2014. Abstract LBA11



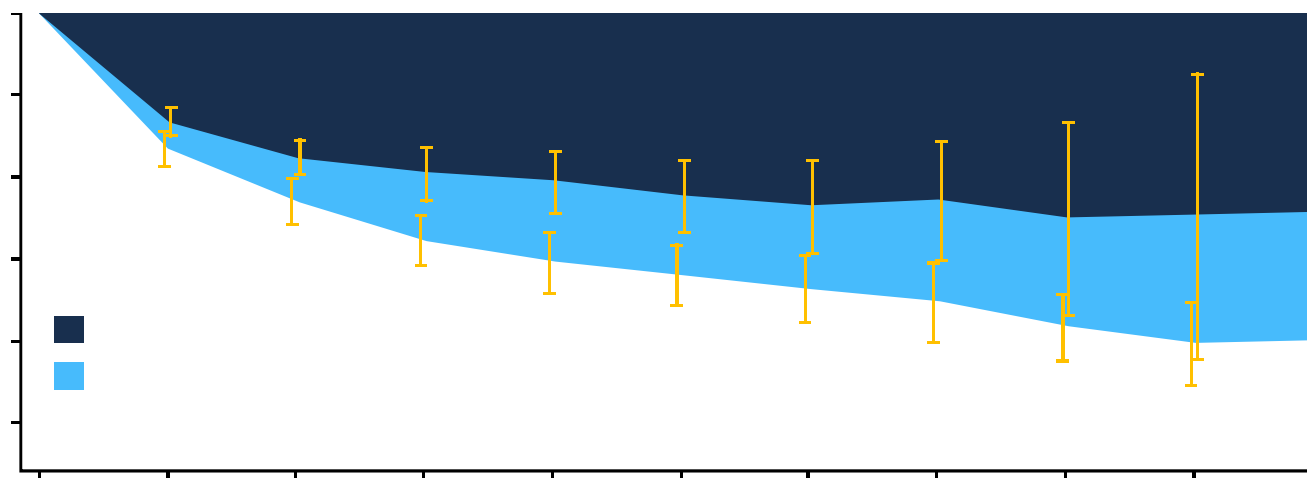
Median time to tumour nadir
FOLFIRI + Cetuximab 15.0 weeks
FOLFIRI + Beva 15.7 weeks

PEAK: FOLFOX 6 + Panitumumab or Bevacizumab (Rand. Phase II) N= 169
ras wildtype



Response: no difference (88% vs 81%)

Schwartzberg L, et al. J Clin Oncol 31, 2013



	Events n	Median, months
Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n = 88)	73 %	12.8
Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n = 82)	85 %	10.1

HR = 0.68
Stratified Cox P-value = 0.029

CALGB 80405: patients resected (132) and NED (N=111)

Venook, et al. ESMO 2014. Abstract LBA10

	Chemo +	Chemo +	Total
Resected & NED	45	66	111
Response (CR, PR)	82%	68%	78%

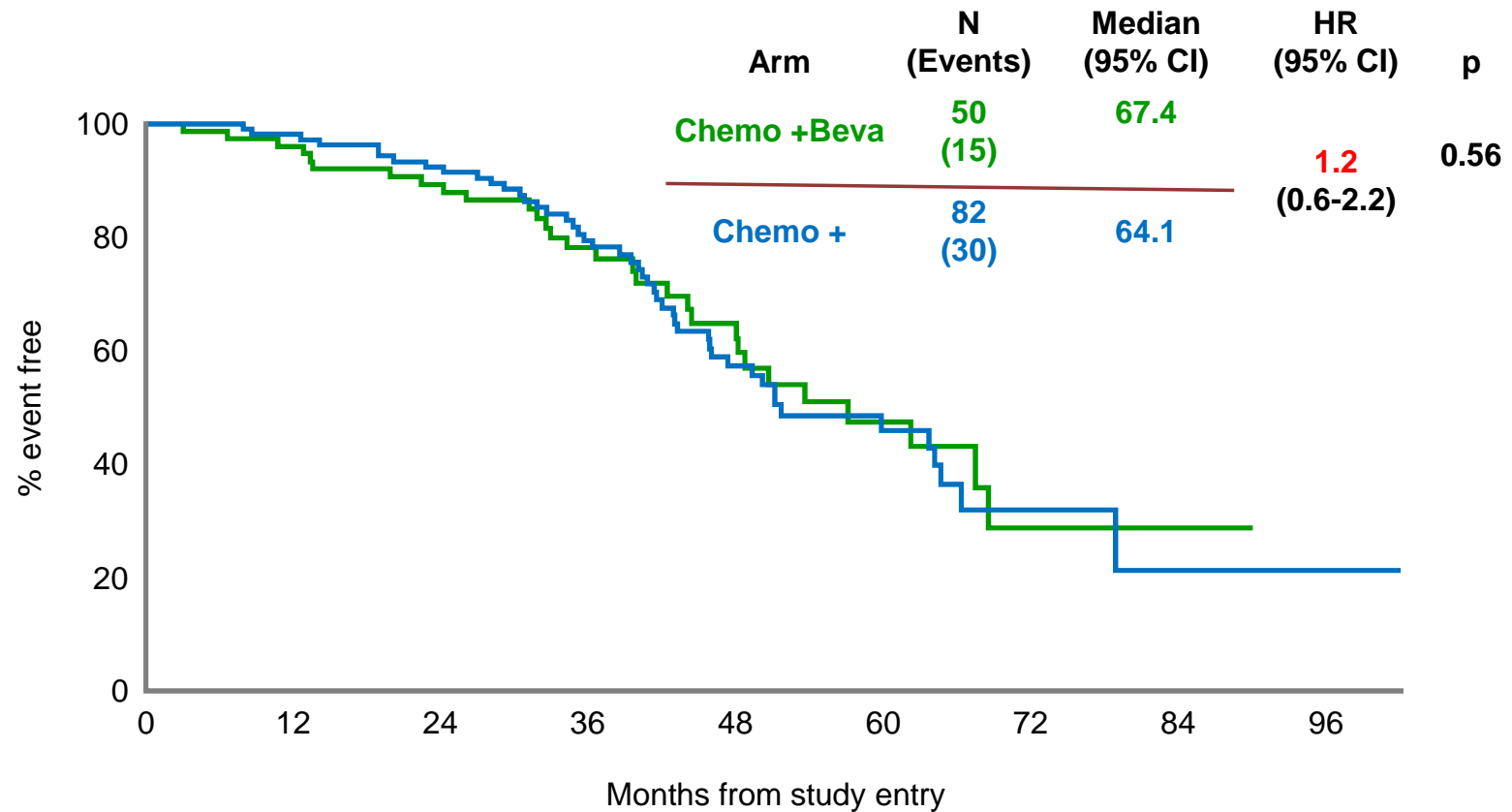
FIRE III: 12% vs 14% stopped Chemotherapy for surgery

**111/132 assessable for response

CALGB 80405 K-RAS wt: NED post-surgery (n=132)

OS

Venook, et al. ESMO 2014. Abstract LBA10

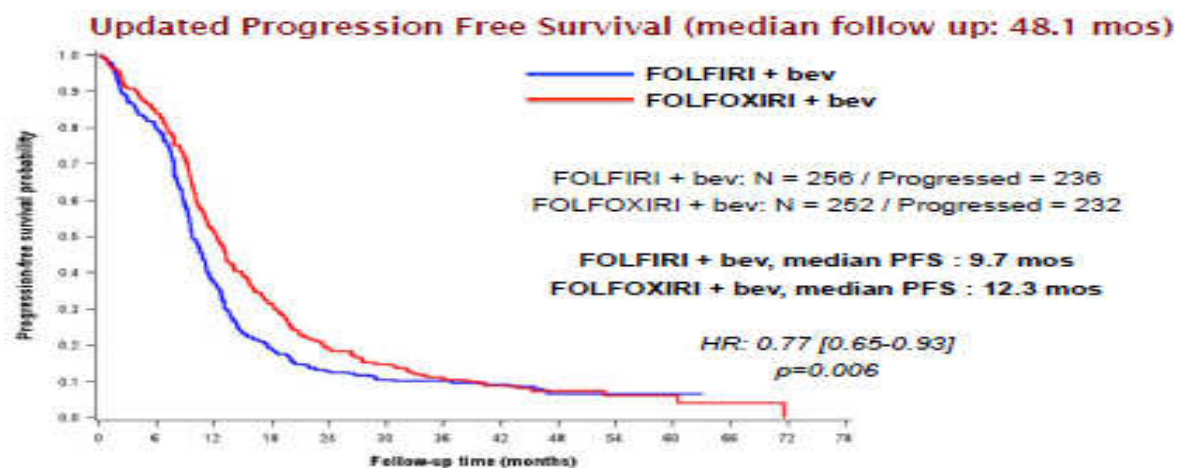
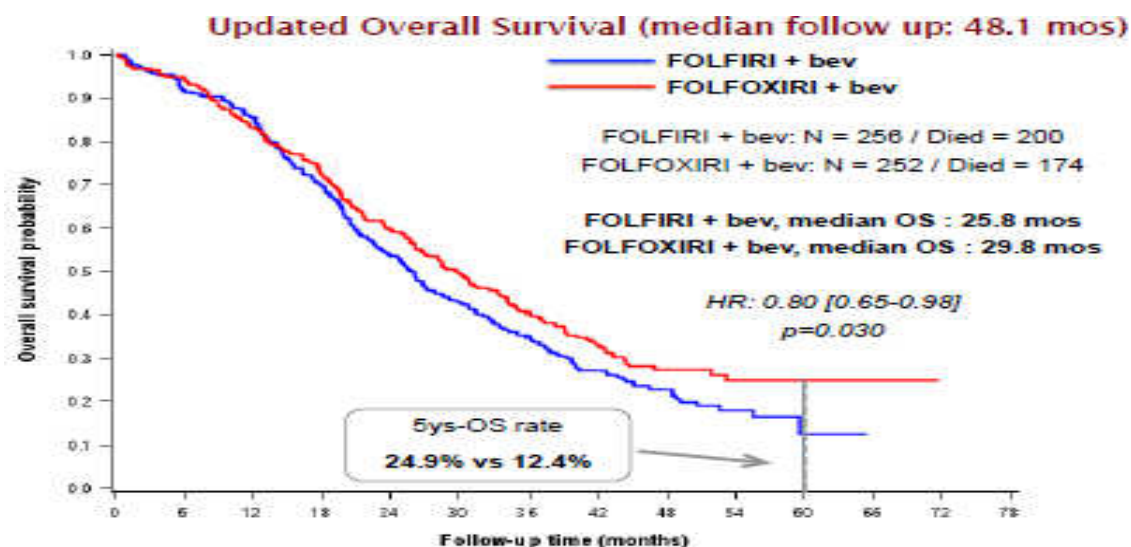


FOLFOXIRI plus bevacizumab (bev) versus FOLFIRI plus bev as first-line treatment of mCRC: updated survival results of the phase III TRIBE trial by the GONO group.

C. Ciardiello, F. Ispolito, G. Maci, V. Zupponi, T. Bergami, I. Salvatore, I. Corbo, G. Tomassello, M. Rauzon, I. Pala, A. Zamboni, G. Izzo, A. Tommasiani, B. Amoroso, C. Sestini, A. De Santis, C. Di, G. Megari, I. Fiori, A. Falomo

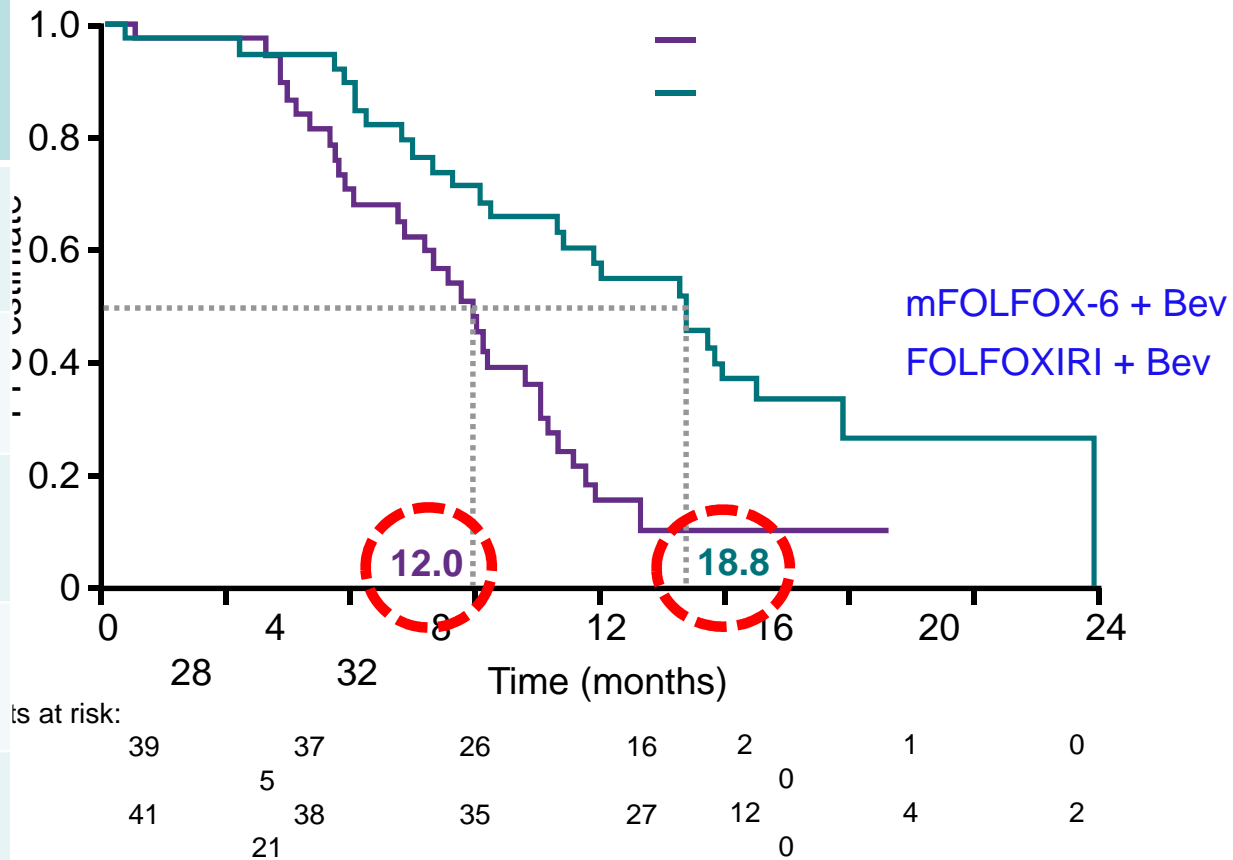
On behalf of the GONO (Gruppo Oncologico del Nord Ovest, Italy) investigators

<i>Best Resp.</i>	FOLFIRI + bev N = 256	FOLFOXIRI + bev N = 252	<i>p</i>
Complete Resp.	3%	4%	
Partial	50%	61%	
Rate	53%	65%	0.006



OLIVIA –Trial: FOLFOX+Beva +/- Irinotecan: PFS

Pts, %	mFOLFOX6 + Beva 39	FOLFIRI + Beva 41	Difference	p
R0/1/2	48.7	61.0	12.3	0.271
R0/1	33.3	51.2	17.9	0.106
R0	23.1	48.8	25.7	0.017
ORR	61.5	80.5	18.9	0.061
PFS,	12.0	18.8	-	0.0002

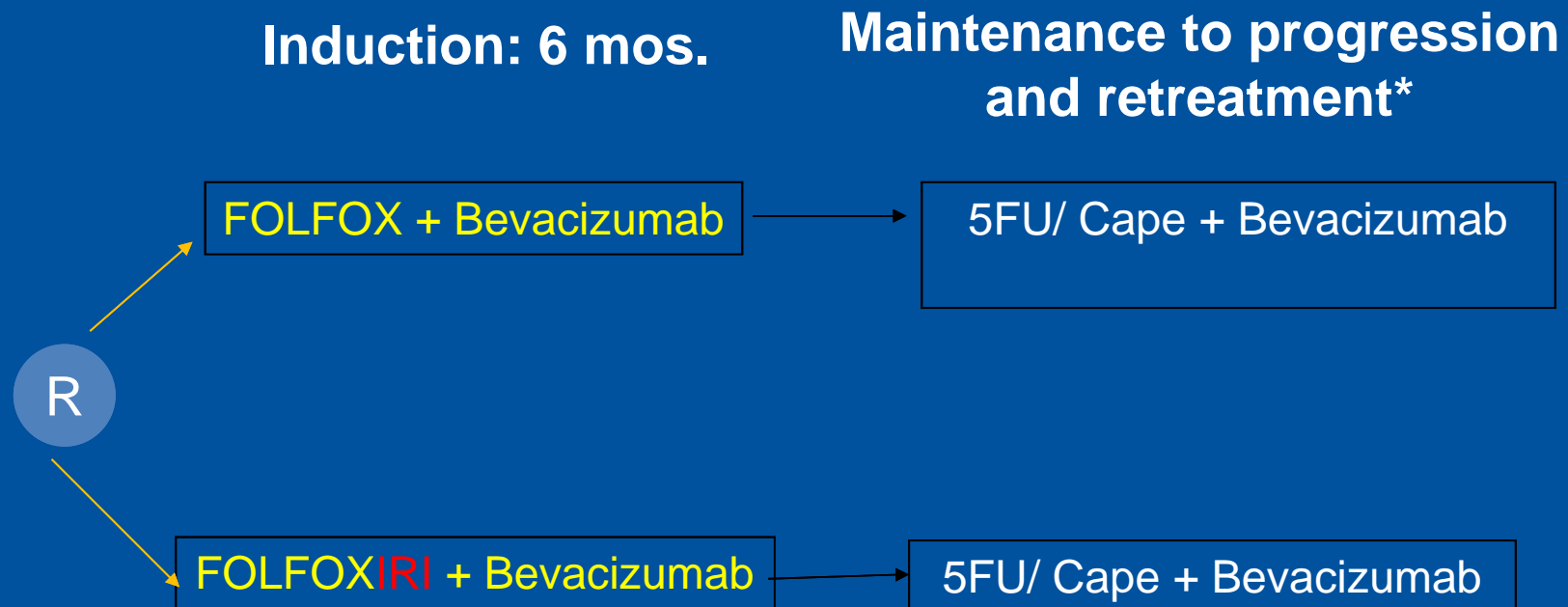


TRIBE: large PFS benefit of FOLFOXIRI+Beva in BRAF-Mutation



Loupakis et al. ASCO 2014; Abstract 3519

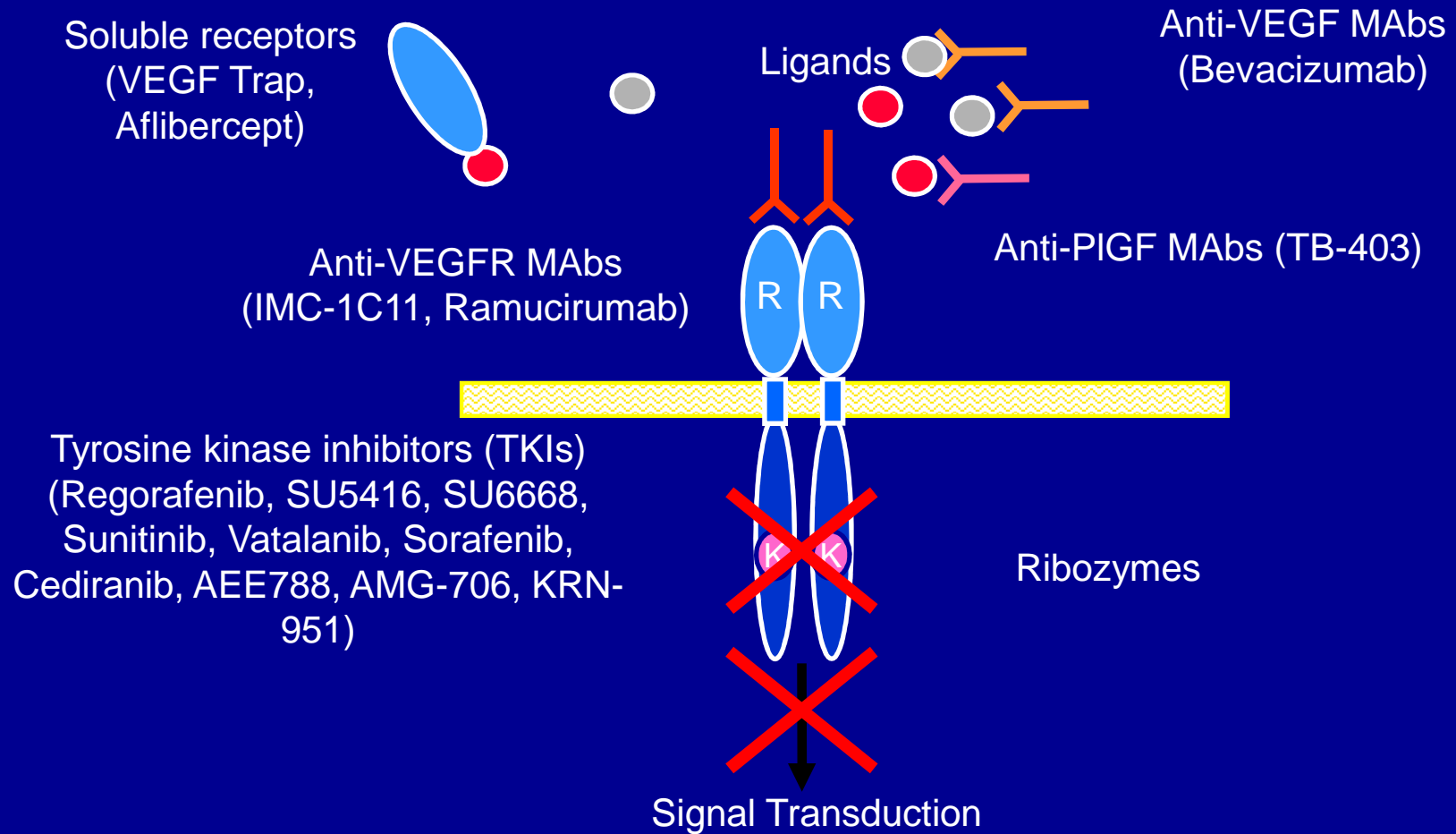
„CHARTA“ AIO 0209
random. phase II (N=240)



Strata 1,2,3 according to risk group

*after R0/1 resection maximum 12 months maintenance

Clinical anti-VEGF pathway therapies



FOLFIRI +/-Ramucirumab 2.line (Tabernero et al)

RAISE: Study Design

Progression during or after bevacizumab, oxaliplatin, and a fluoropyrimidine

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(1:1)

Ramucirumab (8 mg/kg and FOLFIRI* every 2 weeks per cycle N=525

Placebo and FOLFIRI* every 2 weeks per cycle N=525

or unacceptable toxicity

Primary endpoint: Overall survival

Secondary endpoints: PFS, ORR, PRO, Safety, PK, IG

Stratification factors:

- Geographic regions
- KRAS mutation status
- Time to disease progression after beginning first-line therapy

Sample size assumptions

- Hazard ratio of 0.8
- Median overall survival of 10 months in the control arm vs 12.5 months with ramucirumab with a 2-sided α level of 0.05
- Enrollment of 1050 patients with 756 events for 85% power
- Gatekeeping from OS to PFS to ORR

Ramucirumab — VEGFR2



- Ramucirumab is a fully humanized angiogenesis inhibitory antibody that targets VEGFR2 and prevents binding of VEGF
- Approved by FDA in April 2014 to treat gastric or GE junction cancer after it improved OS
- Known side effects include diarrhea and hypertension

Abbreviations: IG=immunogenicity; PFS=progression-free survival; PK=pharmacokinetics; OS=overall survival; ORR=objective response rate.

*Irinotecan: 180 mg/m²; Folinic acid: 400 mg/m²; 5-Fluorouracil: 400 mg/m² bolus, followed by 2400 mg/m² administered intravenously over 46 to 48 hours (continuously).

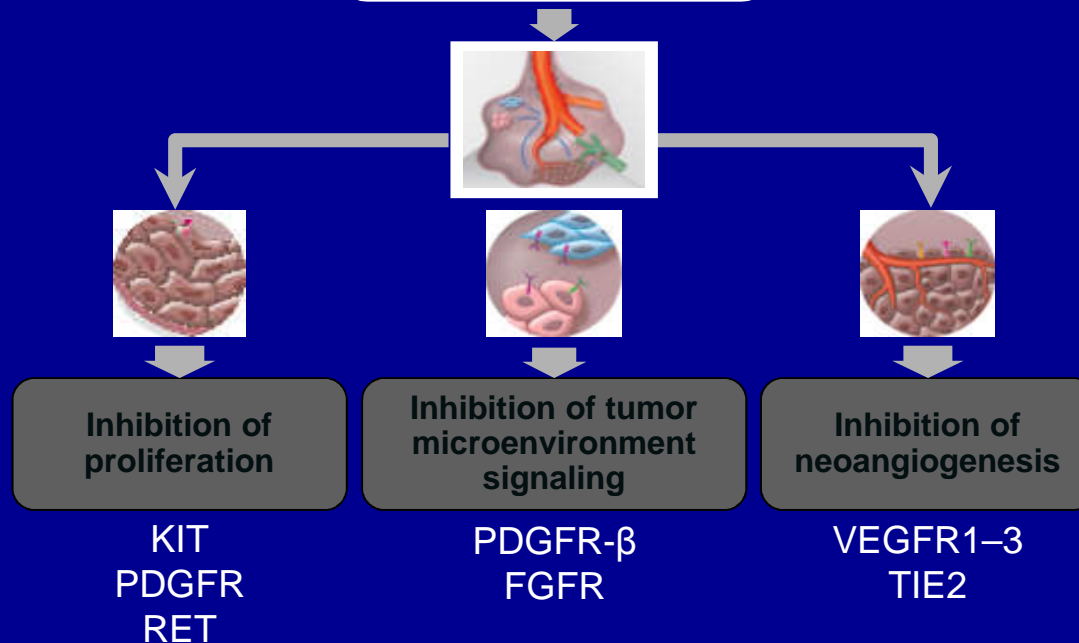
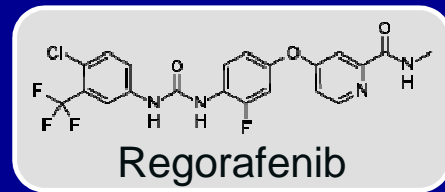
RAISE vs TML vs VELOUR summary of outcomes

	First Line	→	Second Line
<u>RAISE:</u>	FOLFOX + Bev	→	FOLFIRI +/- Ramicurimab
<u>TML:</u>	{ FOLFOX or FOLFIRI } + Bev	→	{ FOLFOX or FOLFIRI } +/- Bev
<u>VELOUR:</u>	FOLFOX +/- Bev	→	FOLFIRI +/- ziv-Aflibercept

PFS +/-	OS +/-
4.5/ 5.7 m	11.7/ 13.3 m
4.1/ 5.7 m	9.8/ 11.2 m
4.7/ 6.9 m	12.1/ 13.5 m

- Outcomes appear similar although designs not exactly the same
- Need randomized comparisons
- ? If there may be benefit from ziv or Ram beyond Bev & Ram or ziv (3rd line)
- ? If it may be worth trying to combine anti-angiogenics
 - Was too toxic in RCC but is this universally true with all agent combinations?

Regorafenib is an oral multikinase inhibitor targeting multiple tumor pathways¹⁻³

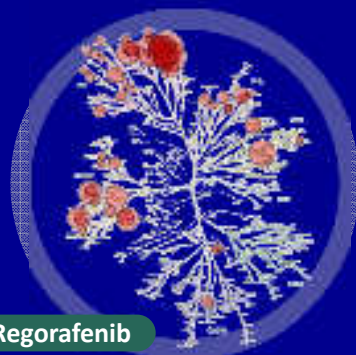


Biochemical activity	Regorafenib IC ₅₀ mean ± SD nmol/l (n)	
VEGFR1	13 ± 0.4	(2)
Murine VEGFR2	4.2 ± 1.6	(10)
Murine VEGFR3	46 ± 10	(4)
TIE2	311 ± 46	(4)
PDGFR-β	22 ± 3	(2)
FGFR1	202 ± 18	(6)
KIT	7 ± 2	(4)
RET	1.5 ± 0.7	(2)
RAF-1	2.5 ± 0.6	(4)
B-RAF	28 ± 10	(6)
B-RAF ^{V600E}	19 ± 6	(6)

Slide adapted from that presented by Professor E Van Cutsem at ASCO 2012 (abstract 3502)

1. Wilhelm SM et al. Int J Cancer 2011;129:245–55;
2. Mross K et al. Clin Cancer Research 2012;18:2658–67;
3. Strumberg D et al. Expert Opin Invest Drugs 2012;21:879–89.

Regorafenib Shows a Kinase Selectivity Profile That Is Distinct and Different from Other Multikinase Inhibitors

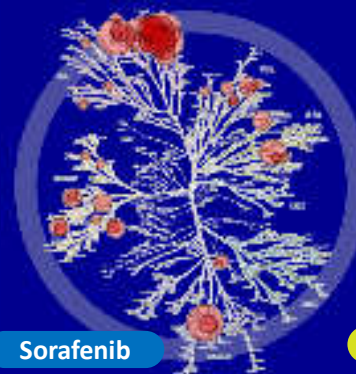


Regorafenib

Percent Control



- Kinome-wide selectivity profiles were determined by Ambit Biosciences (San Diego CA, USA)
- 402 kinases were analyzed using a single dose of 1 μ M
- Binding activities are displayed as the percentage of the kinase that remained bound to a reference bait compound in the presence of the test compounds compared to the DMSO control



Sorafenib



Axitinib



Cediranib

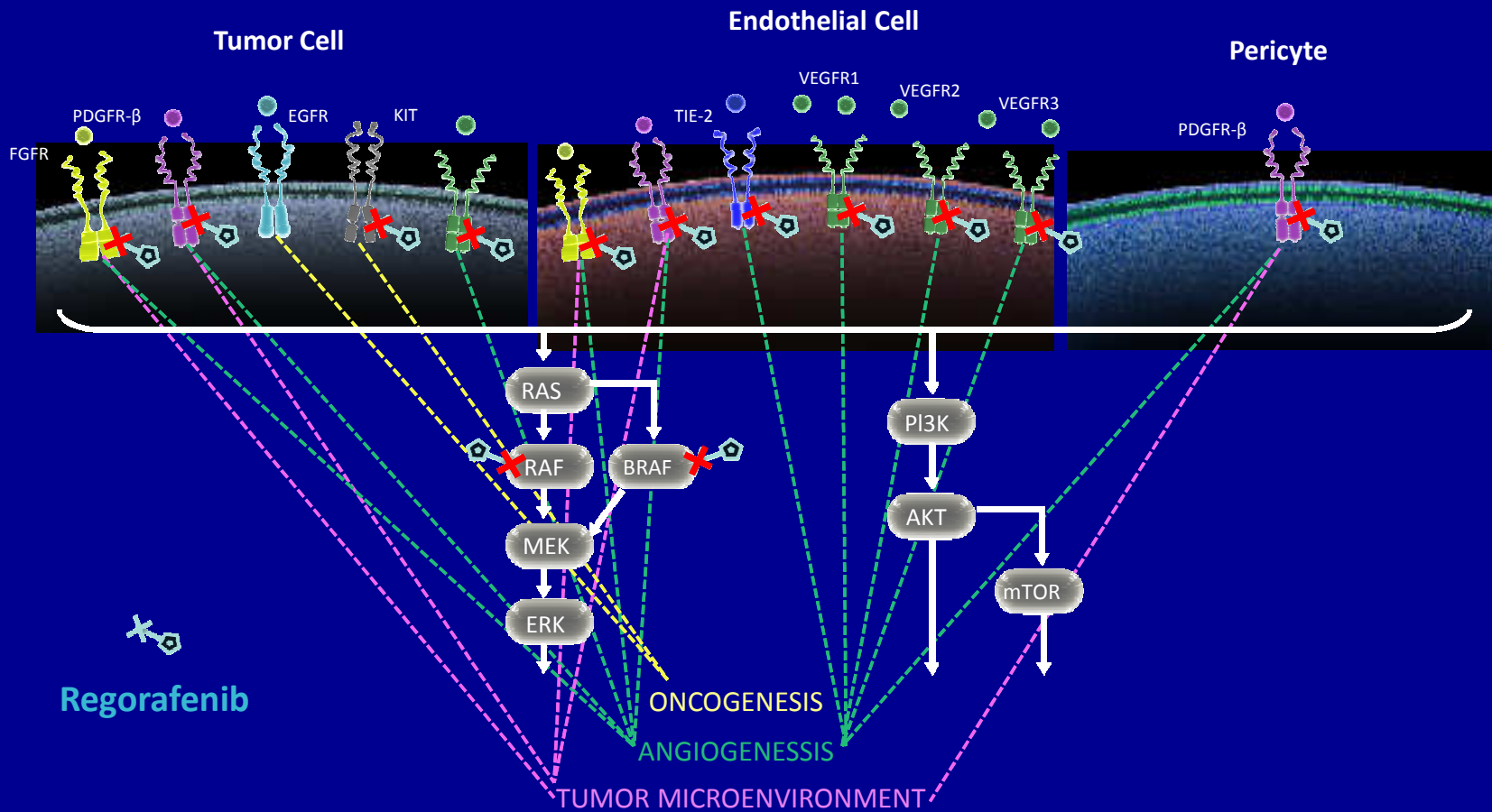


Brivanib

DMSO, dimethyl sulfoxide.

Wilhelm SM, et al. *Int J Cancer*. 2011;129:245-255. Sorafenib PI. Wayne, NJ: Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals; 2012.

Regorafenib, a Targeted Agent that Inhibits Multiple Pathways of Tumor Growth and Progression, Has Emerged as a New Direction for the Treatment of GIST and mCRC



CONCUR and CORRECT compared to RECOURSE

Clinical trial	Phase	Regimen	N	PFS (M)	HR (PFS)	OS (M)	HR (OS)	P value (OS)
10040030 study (IRC *)	rP2	TAS-102+BSC Placebo + BSC	112 57	2.0 1.0 Δ1.0	0.41	9.0 6.6 Δ2.4	0.56	0.0011
RECOURSE study	P3	TAS-102+BSC Placebo+BSC	534 266	2.0 1.7 Δ0.3	0.48	7.1 5.3 Δ1.8	0.68	0.0001
CONCUR study	P3	Regorafenib+BSC Placebo+BSC	136 68	3.2 1.7 Δ1.7	0.31	8.8 6.3 Δ2.5	0.55	0.0002
CORRECT study	P3	Regorafenib+BSC Placebo+BSC	505 255	1.9 1.7 Δ0.2	0.49	6.4 5.0 Δ1.4	0.77	0.0052

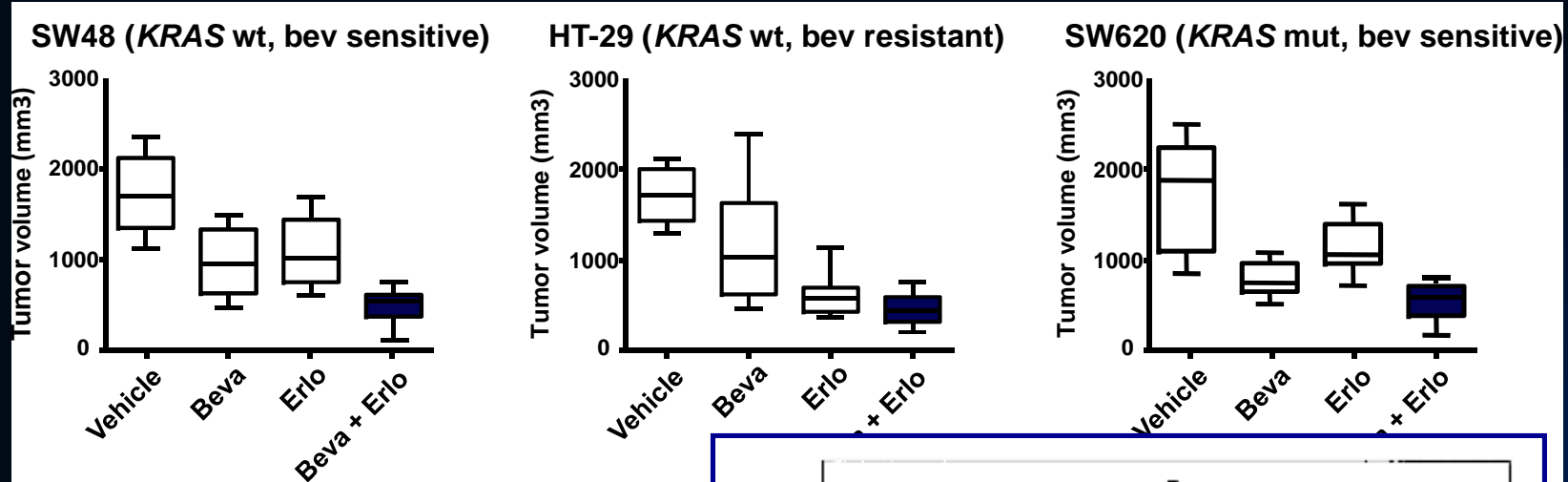
Yoshino T, et al. *Lancet Oncology* 2012; 13; 993-1001, Yoshino et al. WCGIC 2014. Abstract O-0022; *Ann Onc* Vol. 25 Suppl2, June 2014., Li et al. WCGIC 2014. Abstract O-0023; *Ann Onc* Vol. 25 Suppl2, June 2014, Grothey A et al. *Lancet* 2013

TAS-102

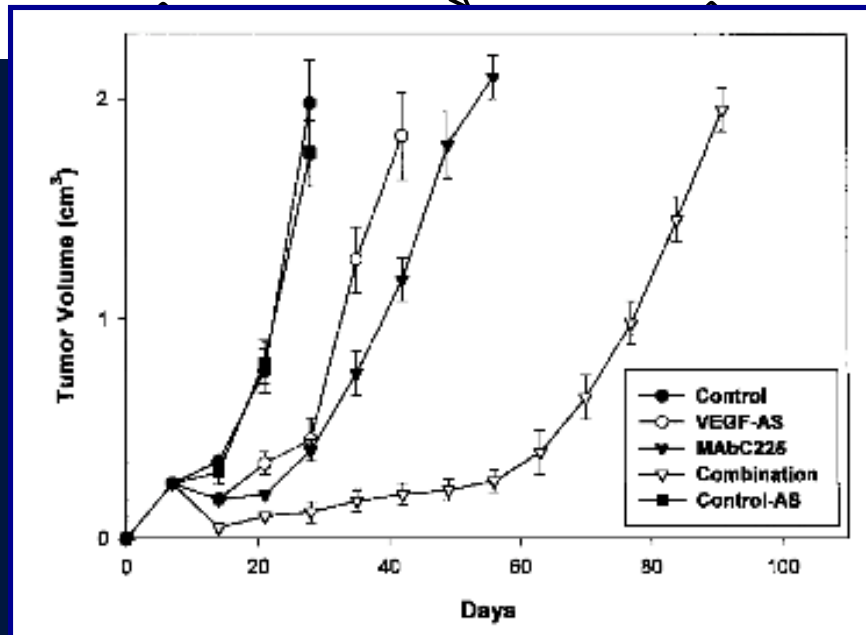
Most Frequent AEs by Grade

AE	TAS-102	Placebo
Neutropenia	34.9%	0%
Leukopenia	12.8%	0%
Anemia	16.5%	2.6%
Febrile neutropenia	3.8%	0%

DREAM: Preclinical Rationale

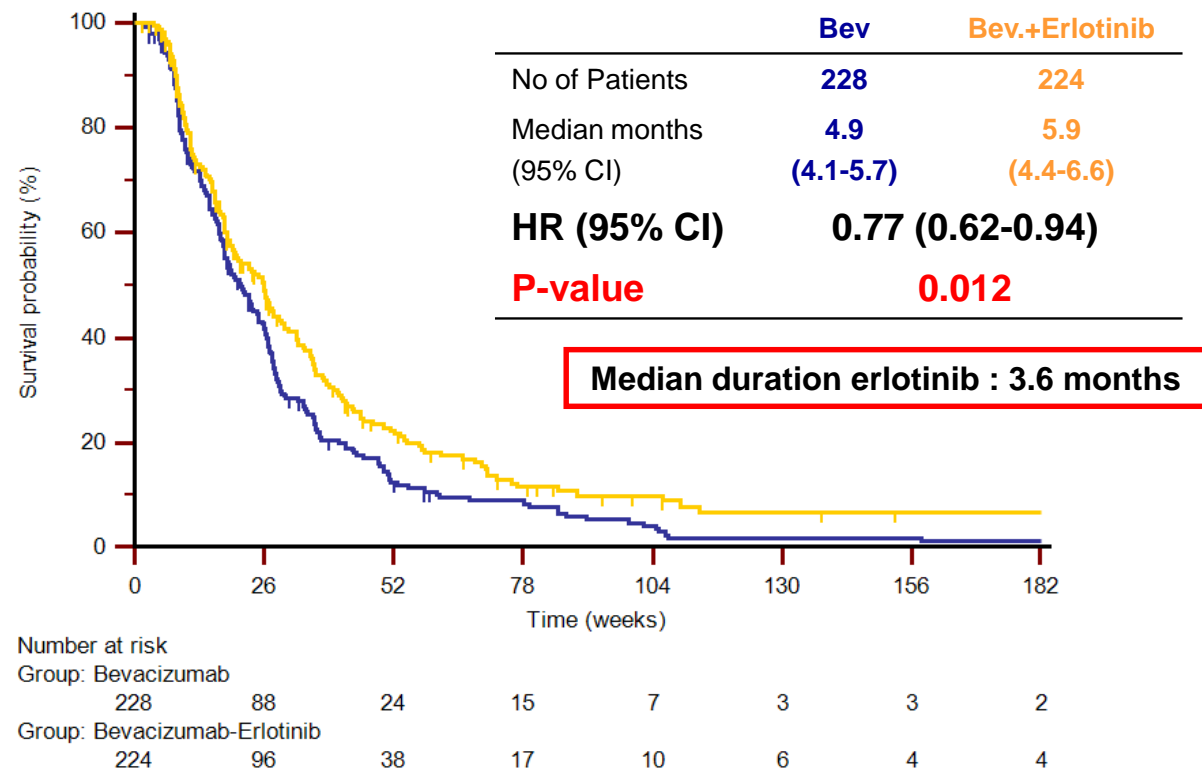


But we had previously also seen that anti-EGFR mAbs plus VEGFi worked in xenografts (Ciardiello et al, CCR 2000)but not in human together with chemotherapy.....!!!!



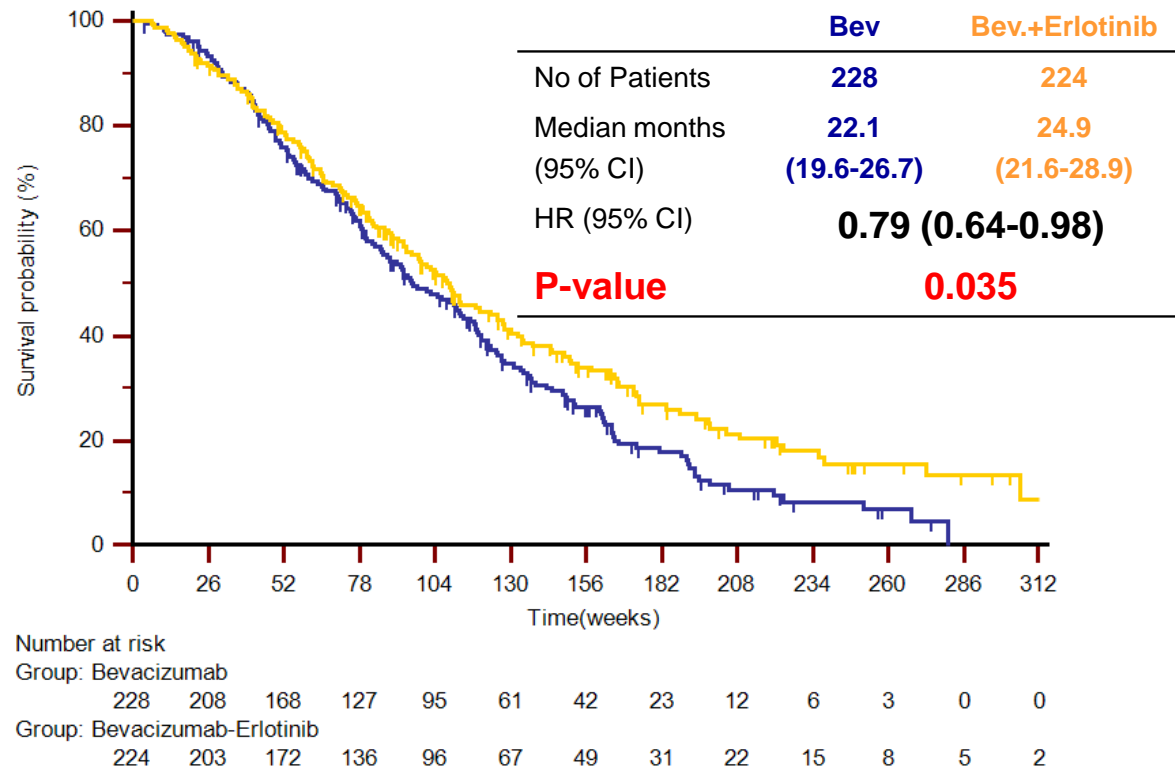
DREAM (N=453): Maintenance Beva +/- Erlotinib

PFS



DREAM

OS

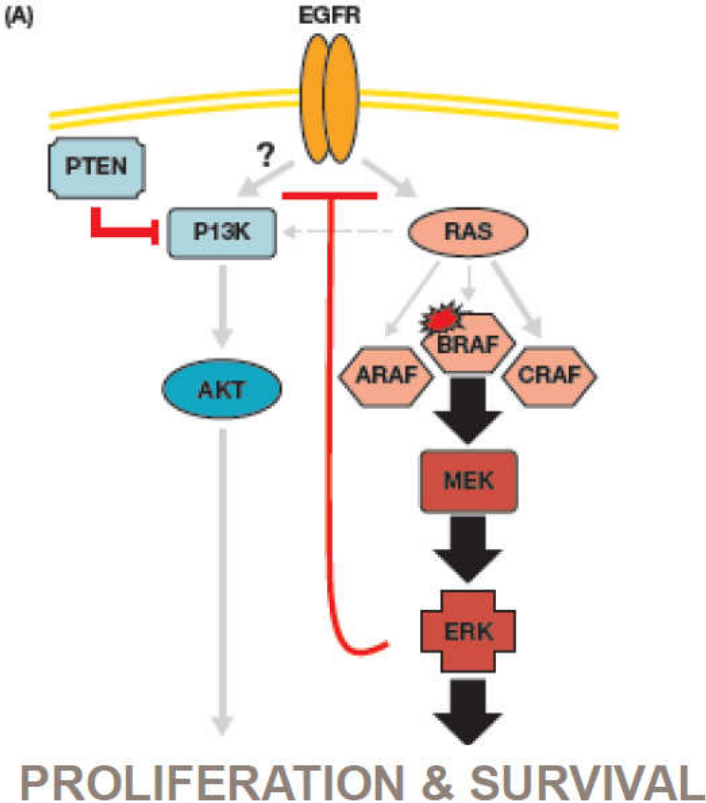


No imbalances in Post-PD therapy

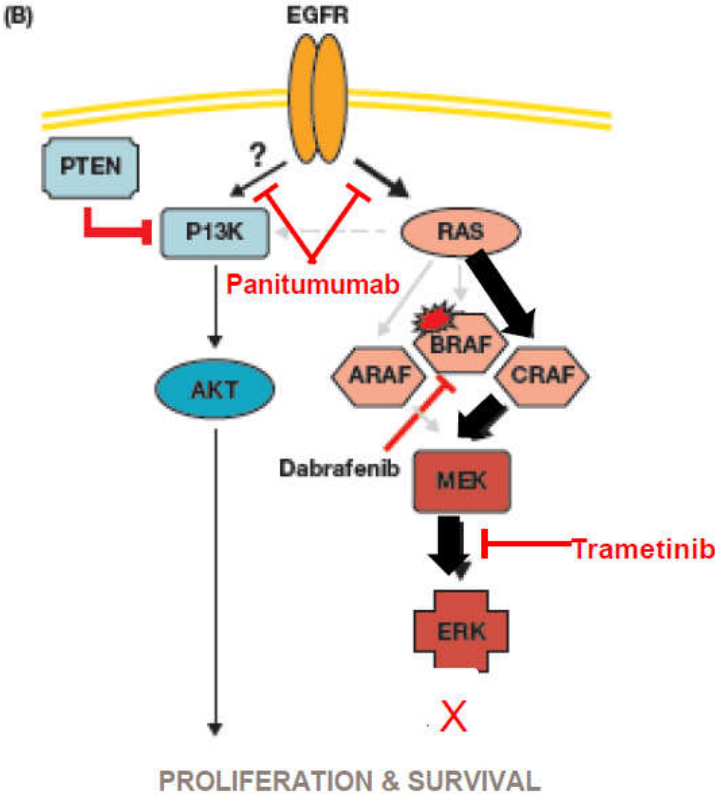
Chibaudel et al, ESMO 2014

Signaling Model for BRAF Mutant CRC

BRAF-mutant CRC

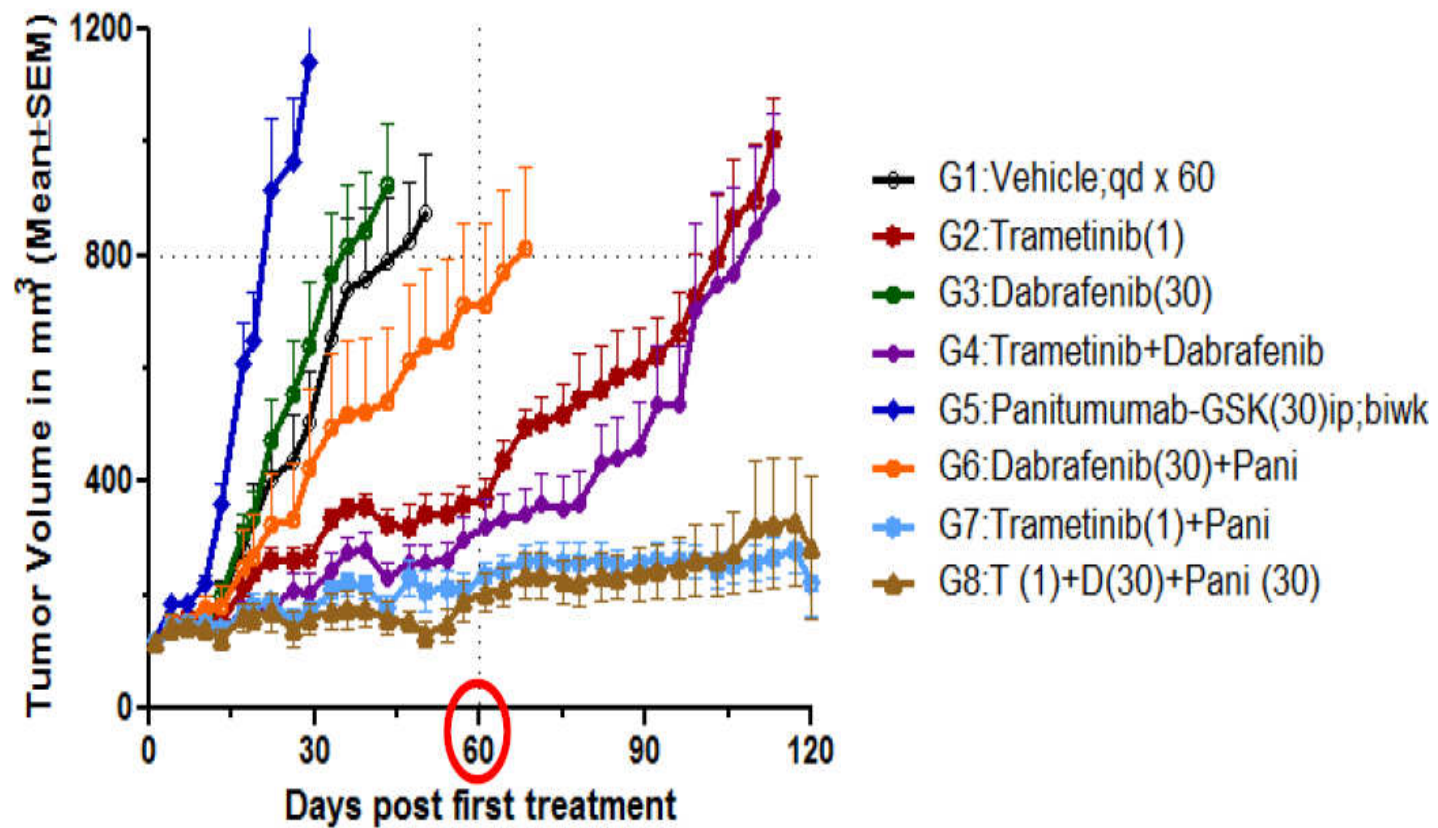


BRAF-mutant CRC with Dabrafenib, Trametinib & Panitumumab

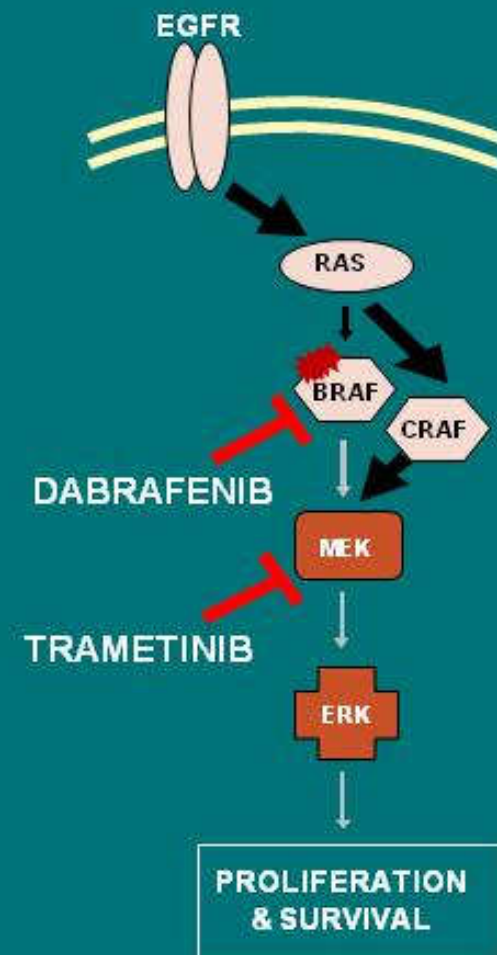
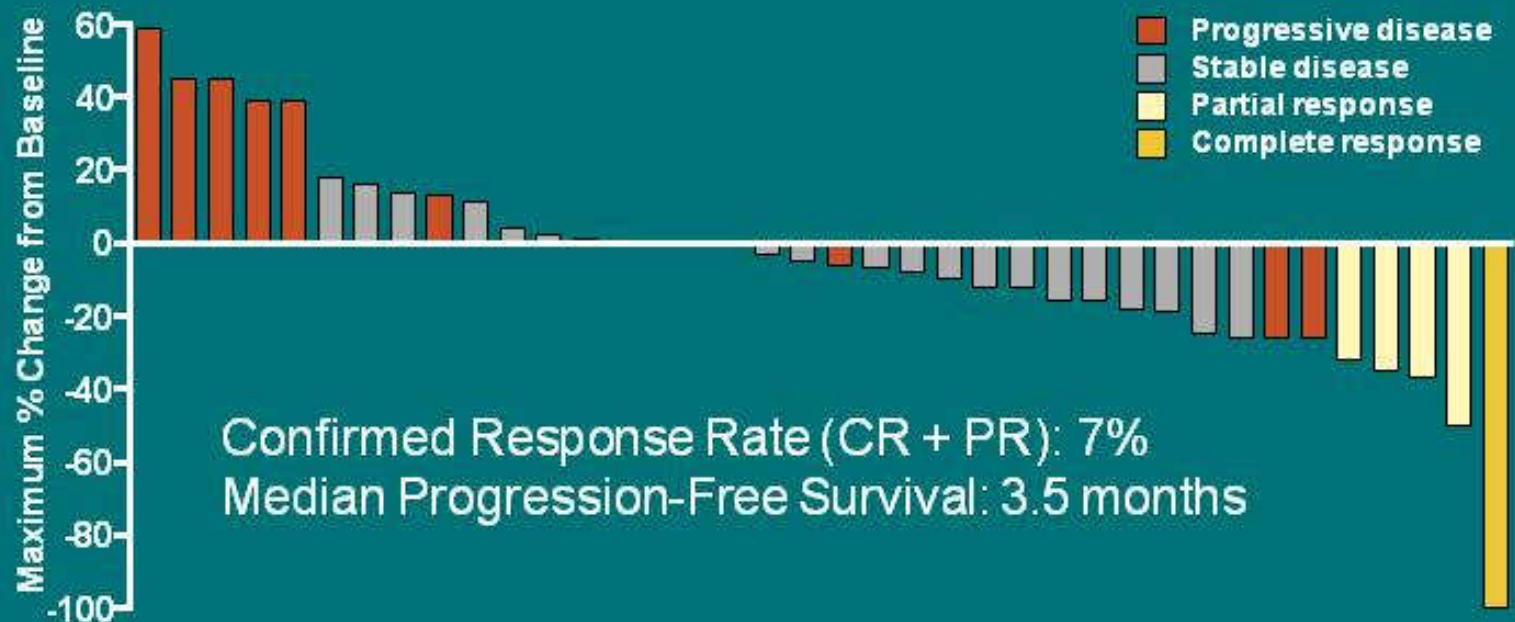


Combination of D+T+P and T+P Results in Most Significant Tumor Growth Delay

BRAF^{V600E}_L584F/PI3K^{wt} Co-012 CRC PDX model



Dabrafenib (D) + Trametinib (T): Limited Activity in BRAFm CRC



BRF113220 — Corcoran et al, *J Clin Oncol*, 2014

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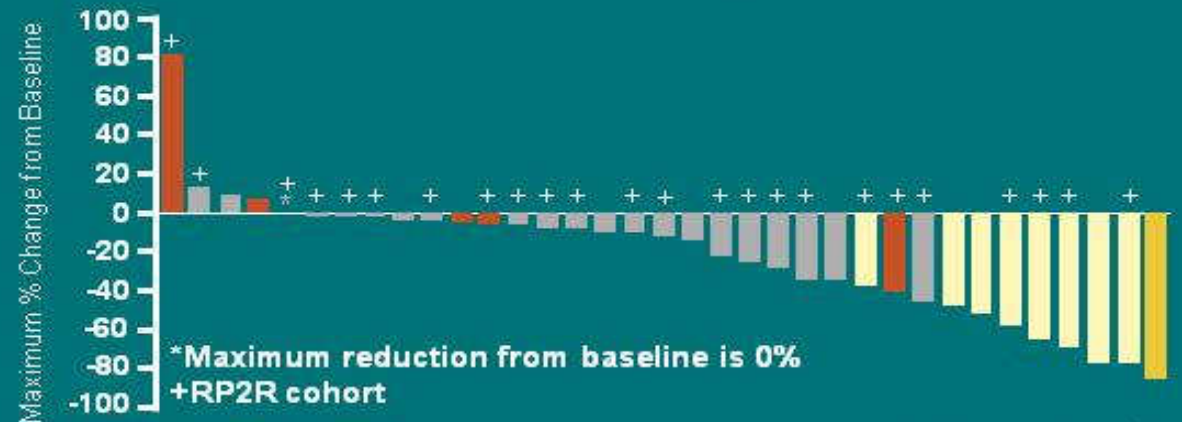
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Best Response With Confirmation

Percent Change from Baseline at Maximum Reduction in Tumor Measurement

D+P (N = 20)
 CR+PR: 2 (10%)
 Stable disease: 16 (80%)

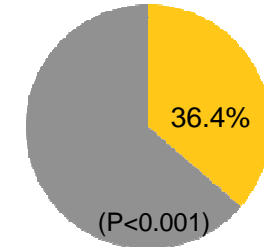
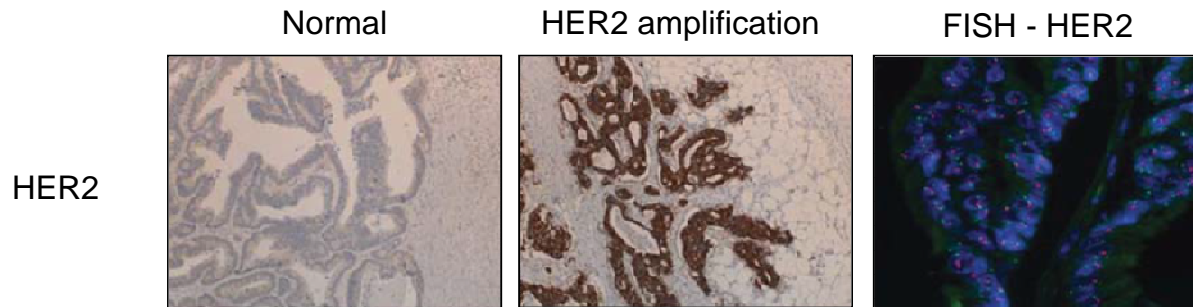
D+P+T (N = 35)
 CR+PR: 9 (26%)
 Stable disease: 21 (60%)



Color: confirmed response
 Height of bar: best unconfirmed response

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HER-2 amplification



Quadruple* wt
non-responders
(n=11 xenopatiens)

*KRAS/NRAS/
BRAF/PIK3CA

mCRC treated with cetuximab (DFCI)

	HER-2 ampl	HER-2 non-ampl
N	13	220
mPFS (d)	89	149 p=NS
mOS (d)	307	515 p=0.0013

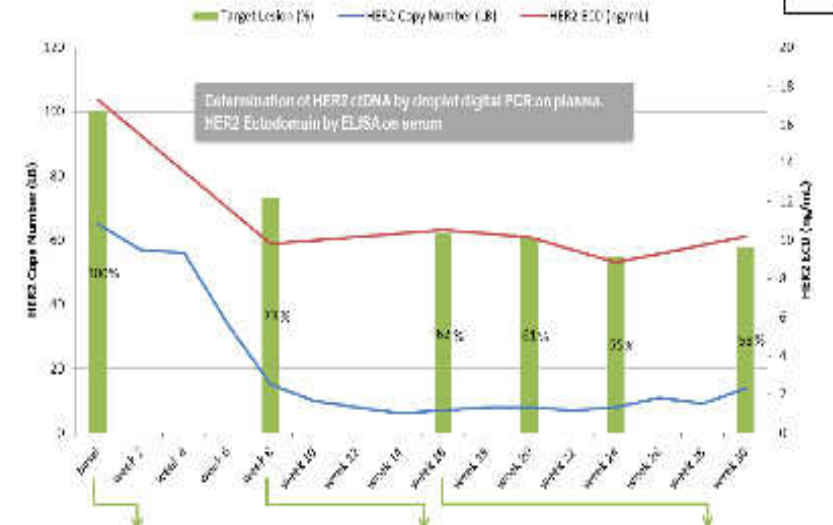
Bertotti A et al. Cancer Discov 2011;1:508-23

Yonesaka K et al. Sci Transl Med 2011;3:99ra86

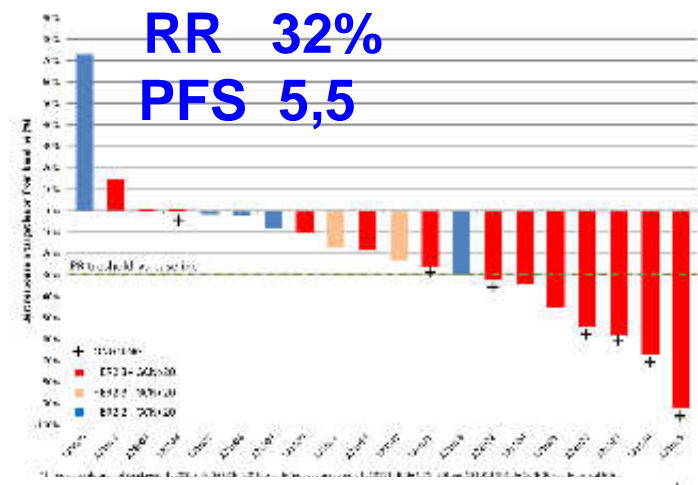
Heracles-Trial: Trastuzumab + Lapatinib in HER2 +++ refractory CRC (Siena, S. et al.)

- 5% of pts
- N=23

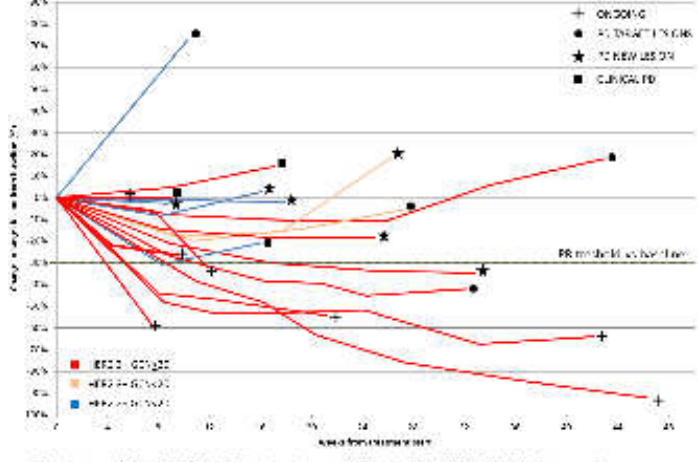
PATIENT #121001: LIQUID BIOPSY AND HER2 ECD



RESPONSE: WATERFALL PLOT



RESPONSE: SPAGHETTI PLOT



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Response in a Patient With MSI-H CRC

- Male aged 54 years, prior treatment with FOLFOX + cetuximab (with rapid progression) and FOLFIRI + bevacizumab with SD as best response.
- Presented with back pain secondary to celiac adenopathy
- Stereotactic core biopsy showed loss of *MLH1* by IHC, MSI-H confirmed by PCR, and *BRAF* mutation positive consistent with hypermethylation of *MLH1* promoter

April 2014



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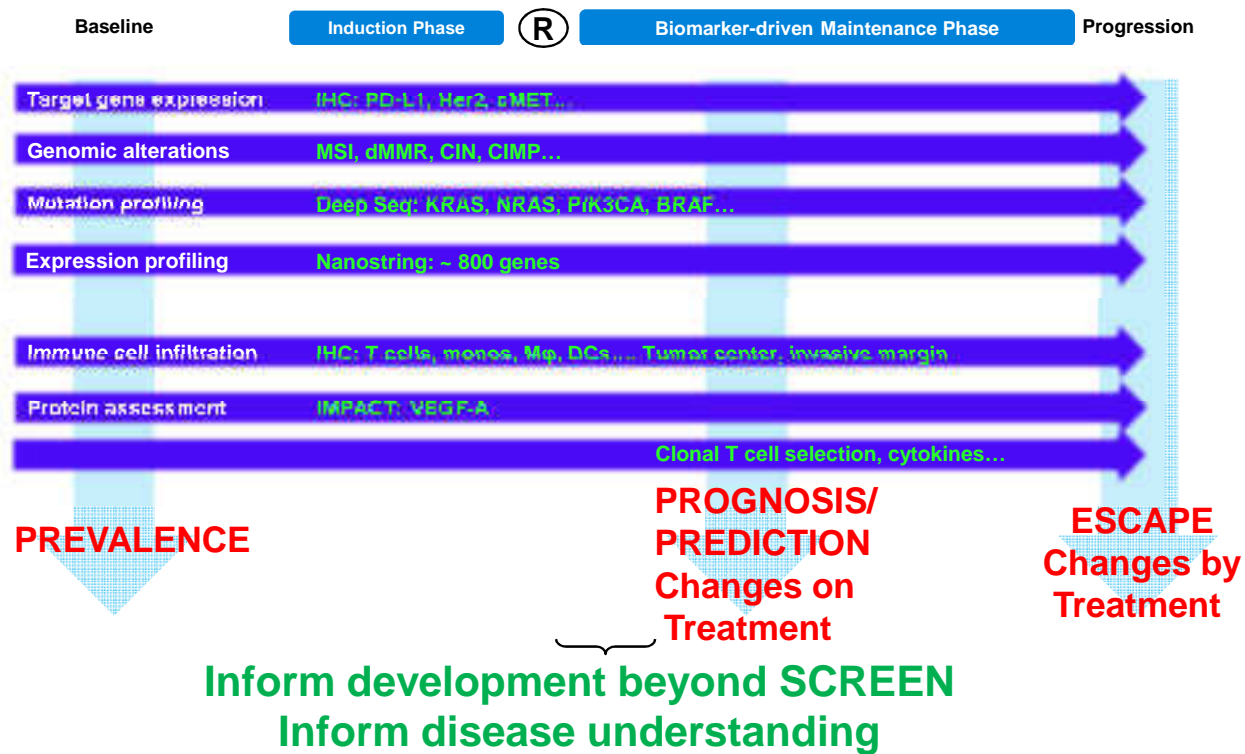
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- Given stable abnormalities, patient recently underwent excision of left SC node
- Pathology report: lymph node tissue with extensive necrosis, xanthogranulomatous inflammation, and foreign body giant cell reaction.

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Methods



Variations in genes regulating tumor-associated macrophages (TAMs) to predict outcomes of bevacizumab-based treatment in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer: results from TRIBE and FIRE3 trials

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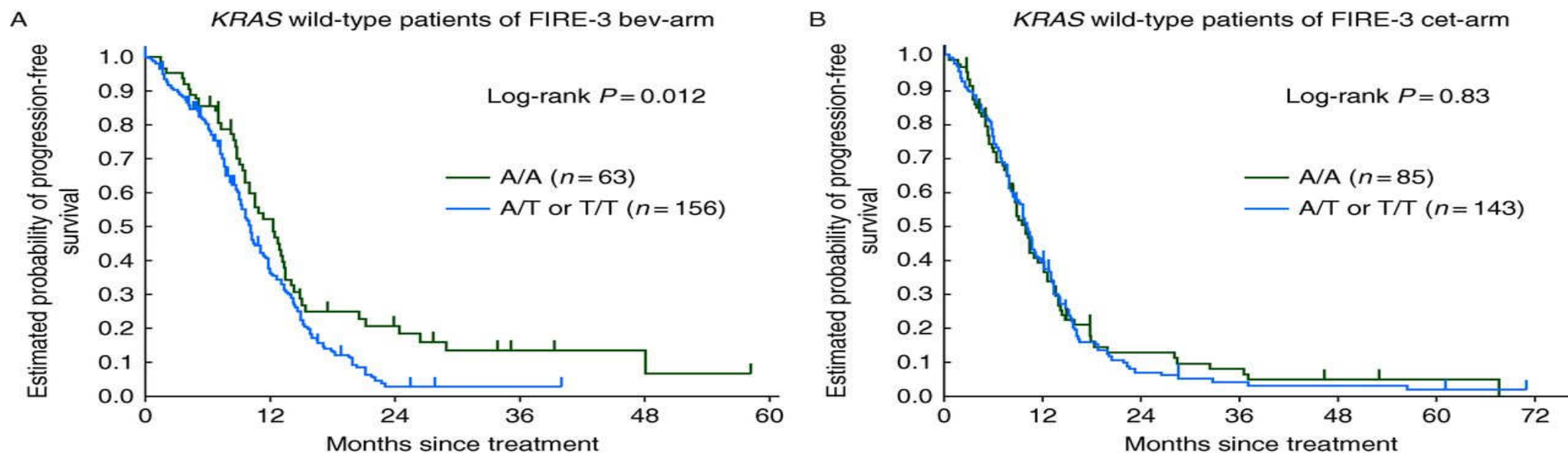
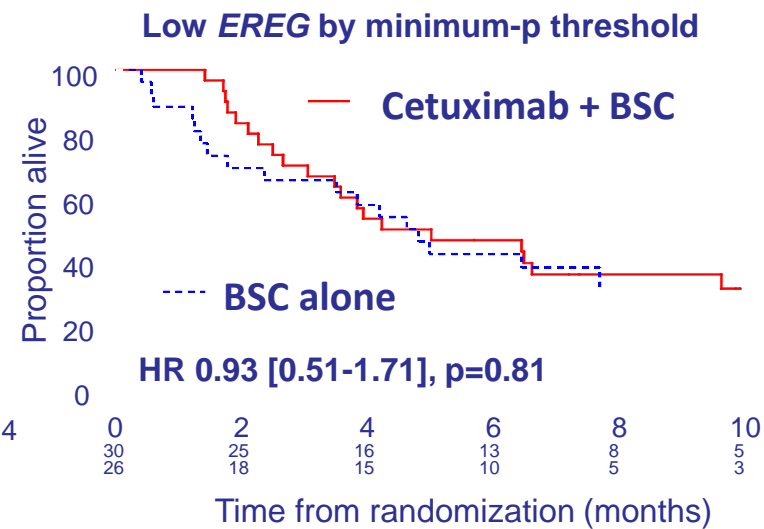
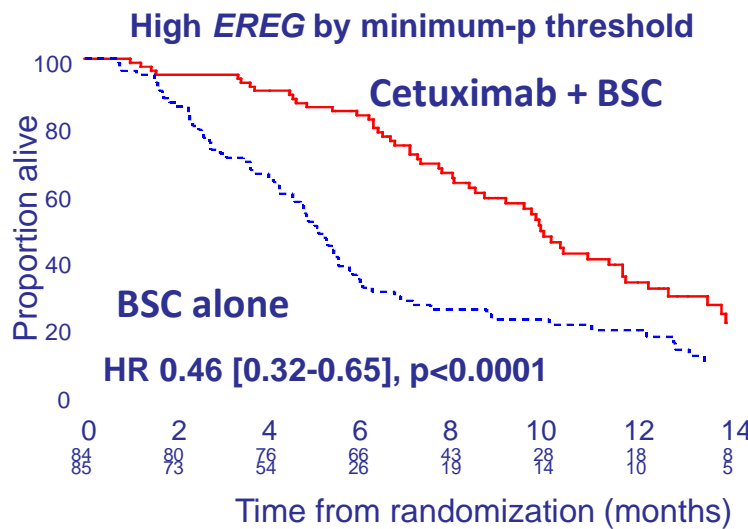


Figure 1. Probability of progression-free survival by *TBK1* rs7486100 in *KRAS* exon2 wild-type patients of FIRE-3 cohorts, (A) bevacizumab arm, (B) cetuximab arm.

Ligands: AREG, EREG, TGFalpha

- Combimarker: *K-Ras* wt and high EREG¹

- Pre-specified threshold¹
- Minimum threshold: 169/384 (44%)
 - All comers → 394 (100%) HR: 0.7
 - *K-Ras* wt → 230 (58%) HR: 0.55
 - Combimarker → 169 (44%) HR: 0.46



¹Khambata-Ford, S. et al. J Clin Oncol; 25:3230-3237, 2007

²Jonker, D et al. Proc ASCO 2009



A genetic variant in *Rassf1a*, a key regulator of Hippo pathway, predicts survival in two independent cohorts of mCRC patients treated with cetuximab-based chemotherapy

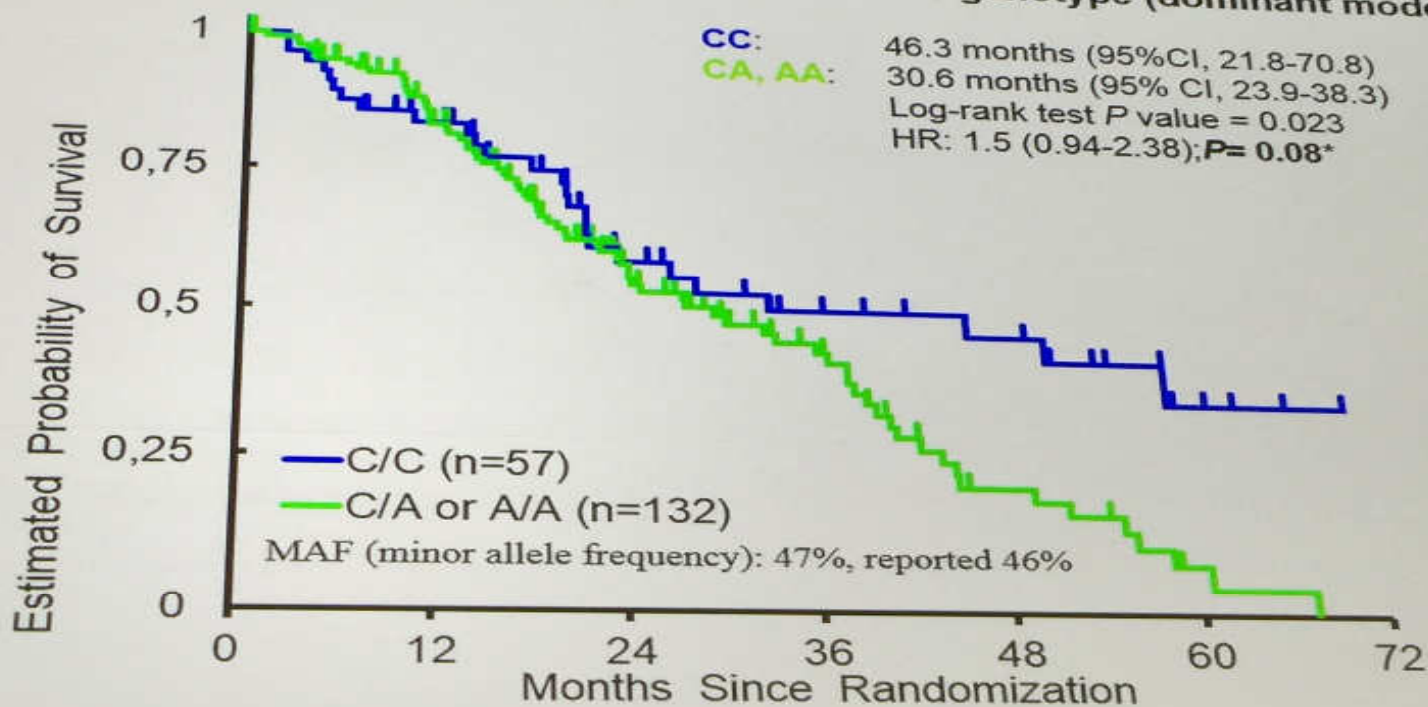
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Rassf1a rs2236947 associated with OS in wt Ras Fire3 (FOLFIRI/CET)

- 189 Ras wild-type patients (pts) from Fire-3 (FOLFIRI +Cetuximab arm)
- Overall Survival according to Rassf1a rs2236947 genotype (dominant model)



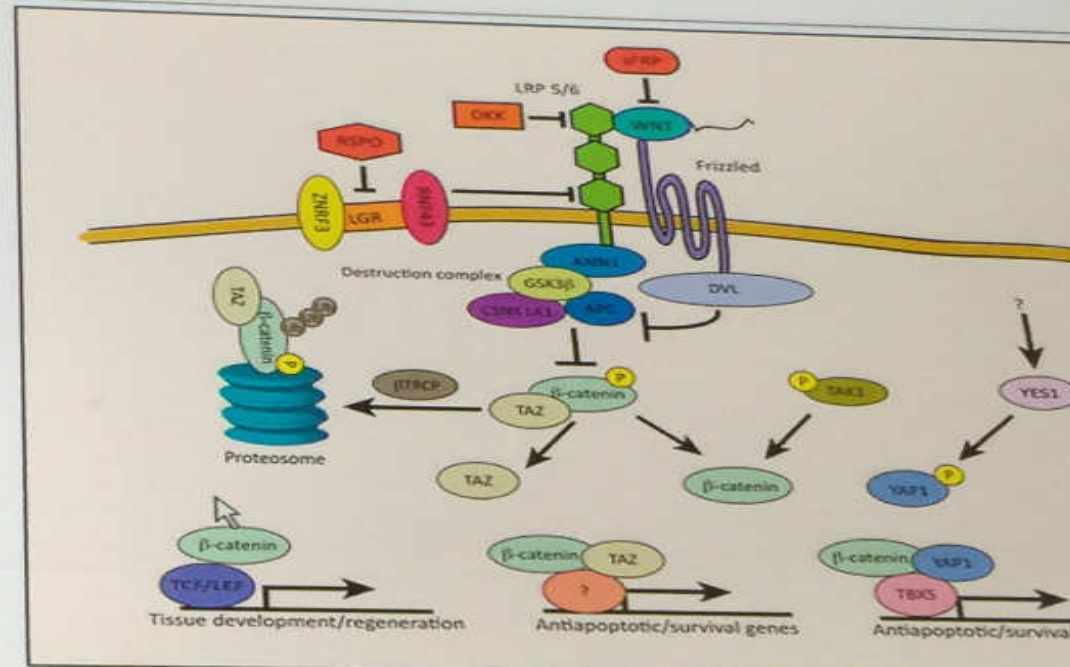
*Wald test in the multivariable Cox Regression model adjusting for sex, ECOG, and number of metastatic sites

AXIN1 and colorectal cancer

□ The Wnt signaling is central to the biology of colorectal cancer

□ AXIN1 and APC function in the assembly of a β -catenin destruction complex. Degradation of β -catenin is a key regulated step of the Wnt pathway

□ AXIN1 acts as a tumor suppressor



Rosenbluh J, Trends Pharmacol Sci 2014



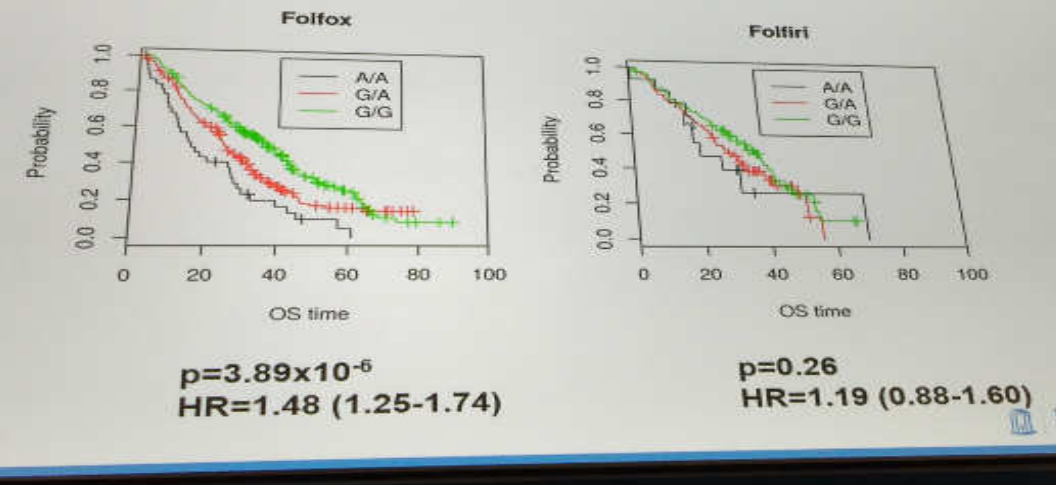
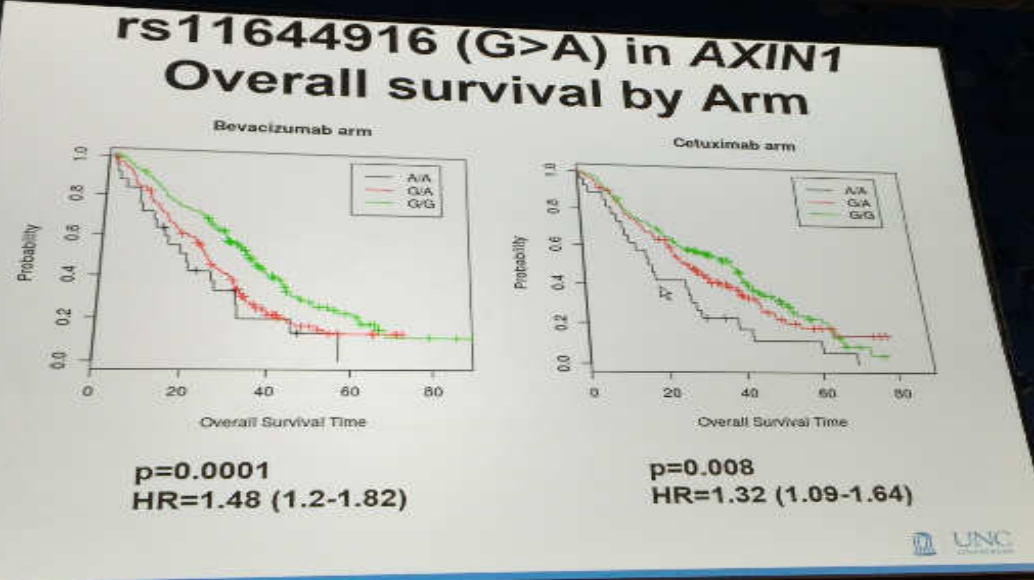
Genome-wide association study
ECCO/ESMO 2015 Vienna

CALGB-Trial + FIRE III- Trial

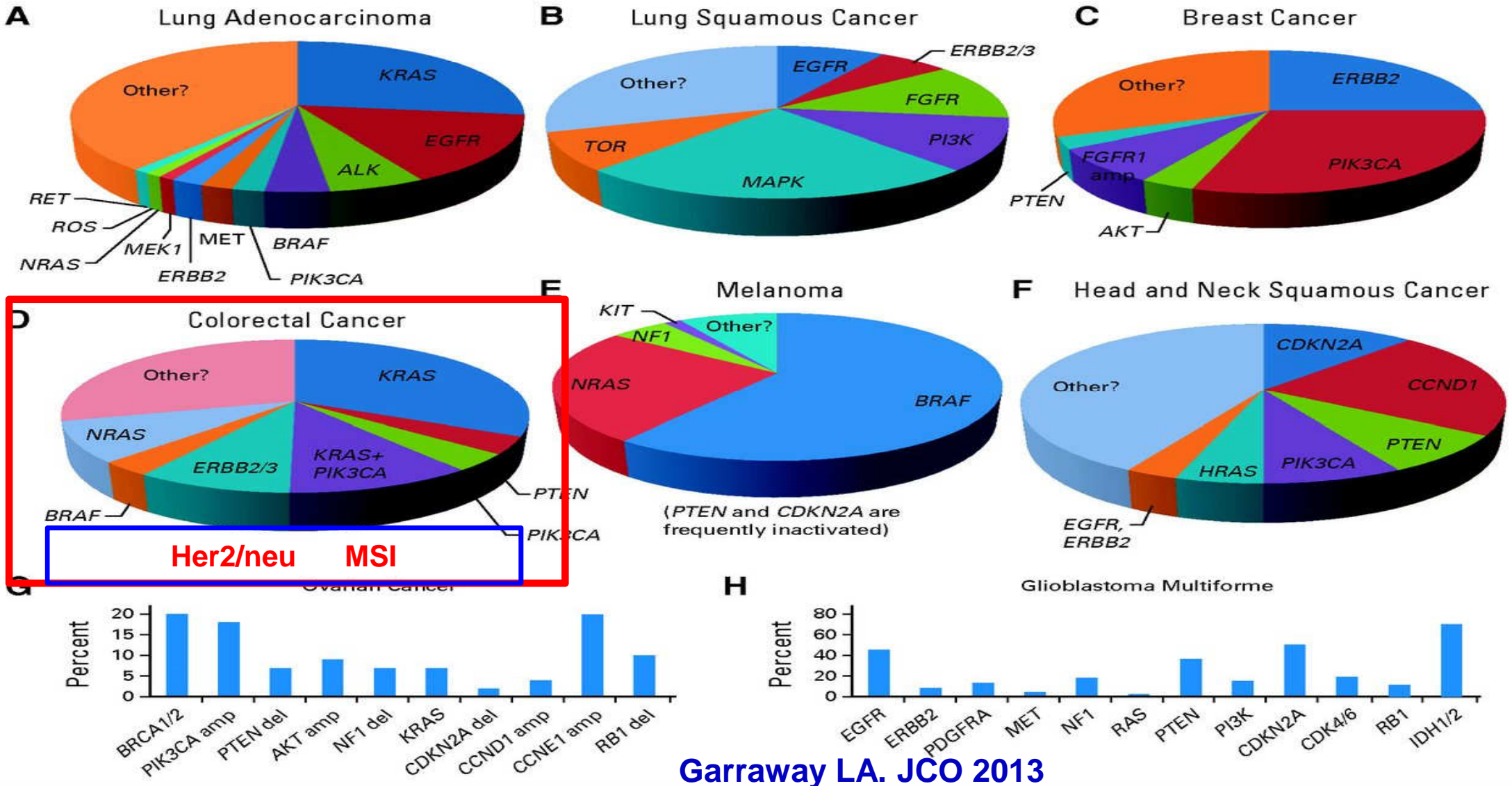
		All Patients (N=1137)		GWAS Patients (N=609)	
		ARM A Chemo+BEV	ARM B Chemo+CETUX	ARM A Chemo+BEV	ARM B Chemo+CETUX
Sex	Male	348	349	180	187
	Female	211	229	120	113
Age	Median	59	59	59	59
	Range	22-85	21-90	22-84	23-84
Non-Caucasian		40	48	-	-
Primary in place		160	133	87	64
FOLFOX / FOLFIRI		245/79	256/90	157/45	155/47
Palliative Intent		466	459	258	236
Prior Radiation		81	79	46	33
Prior Adjuvant Chemo		50	52	33	26

Median OS in genotyped patients 29.6 months [95% CI: (26.9, 32.6), range: 0.46-73.72] UNC

rs11644916 (G>A) in AXIN1
Overall survival by chemo



All cancers are becoming rare cancers

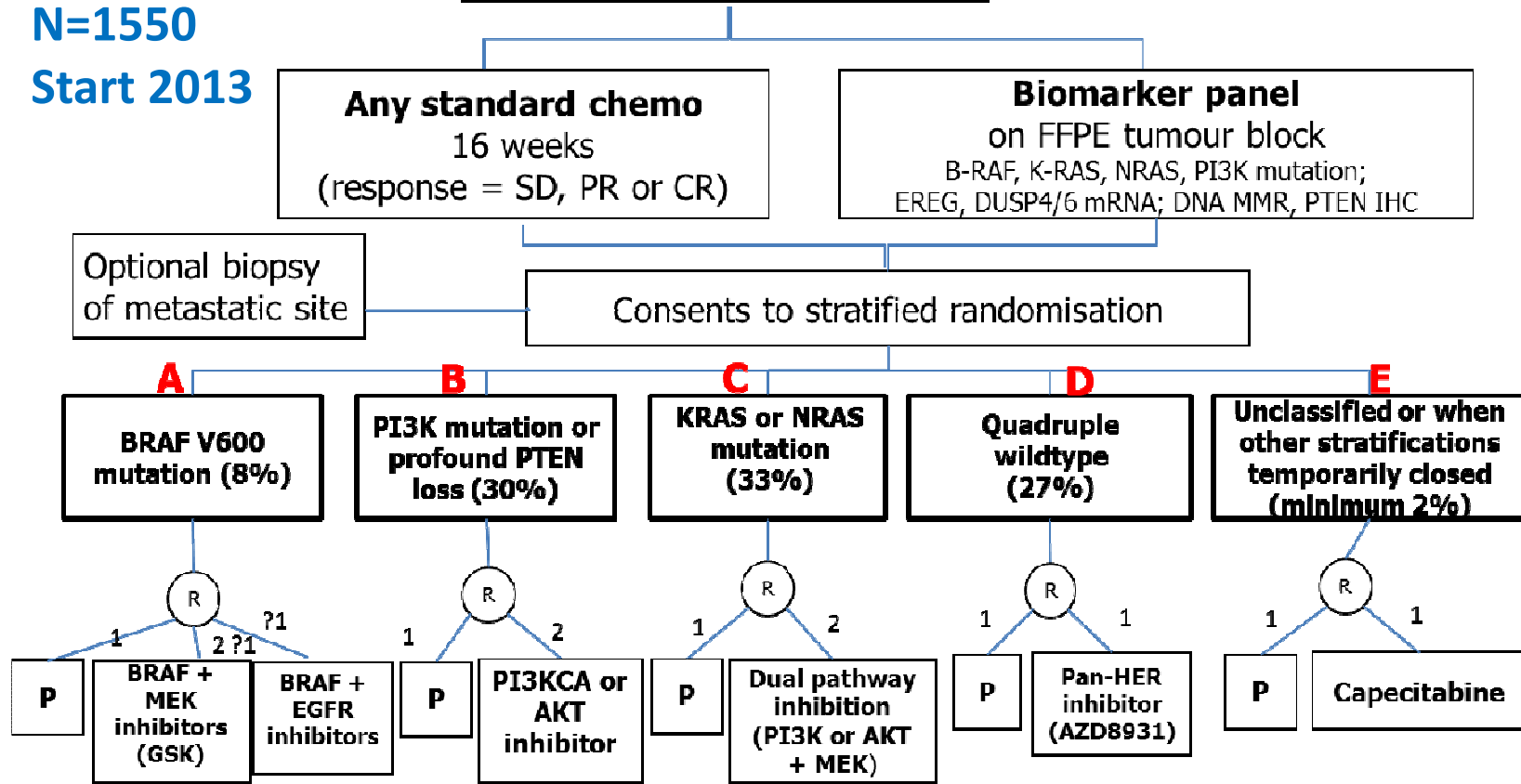


FOCUS 4 trial design

N=1550
Start 2013



Eligible pts: 1st line mCRC
Fit for chemo, platelets < 400k
consent to biomarker analysis

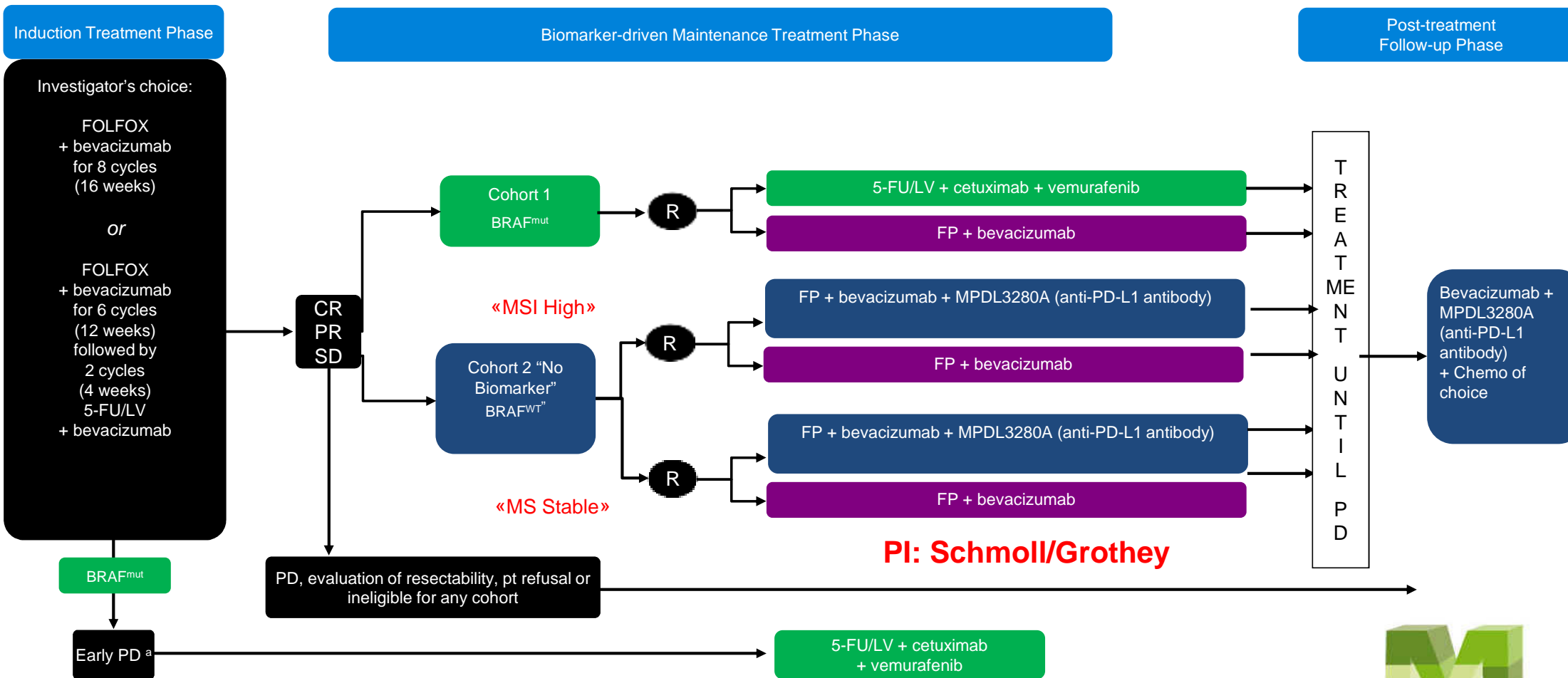


On progression - recommence first line chemotherapy

Stage II/III primary outcome measure: PFS between randomisation to interval therapy (recommence 1st line chemo)
 Decision points for each stratified cohort:

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd interim analyses for Lack of Activity (based on PFS)
- 4th analysis for PFS efficacy (target HR 0.5 or 0.65 depending on cohort/agent)

PFS: HR= 0.65
 For biomarker selected cohorts that pass 3rd PFS Lack of Activity stage ($\alpha = 0.1$): test specificity of biomarker selection in a separate cohort of patients *without* the selection biomarker
 For larger cohorts that pass 4th PFS Efficacy stage: Continue to phase III with final efficacy analysis on an OS endpoint



FP = fluoropyrimidine (5-FU or capecitabine)

a. Patients who progress early and who are not BRAF^{mut} will enter the Post-treatment Follow-up Phase with initiation of 2nd-line treatment per Investigator discretion



PART 1: Induction / Screening

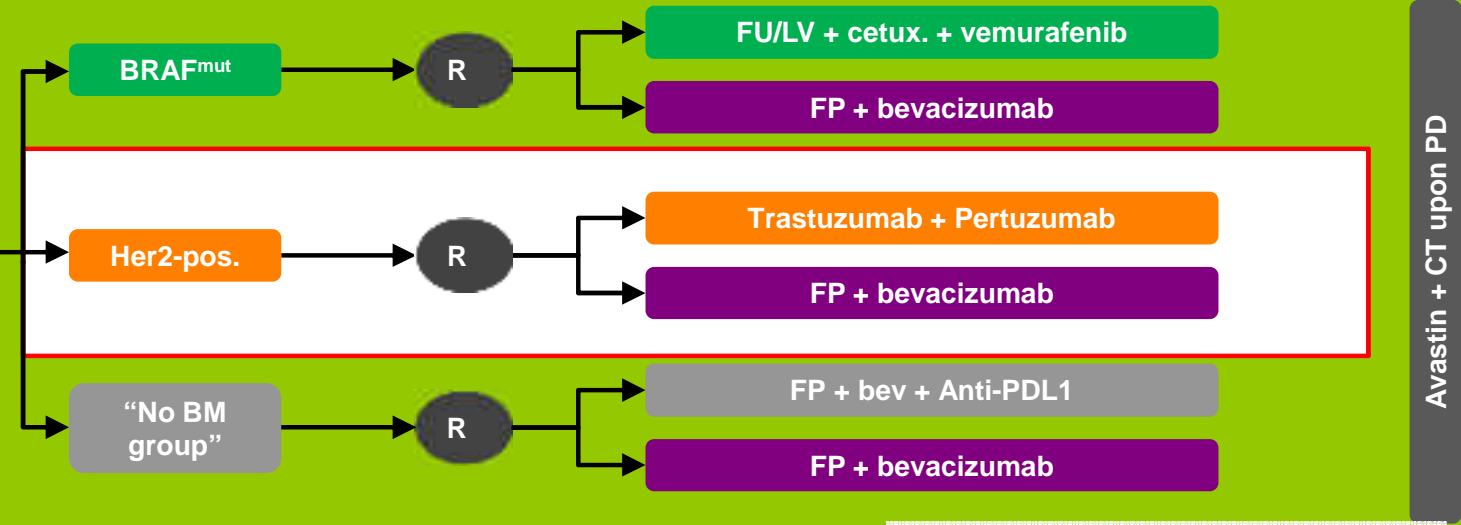
PART 2: Biomarker-driven maintenance phase

PD

FOLFOX + bevacizumab for 8 cycles (16 weeks)
 Biomarker analysis:
 KRAS, BRAF, c-Met, etc.
 Wide panel of other markers to inform future adaptations

Frequency assumption (%)

BRAF ^{mut}	10
c-Met ^{high}	40
Her2	6



Avastin + CT upon PD

* FP = fluoropyrimidine (5-FU or capecitabine)

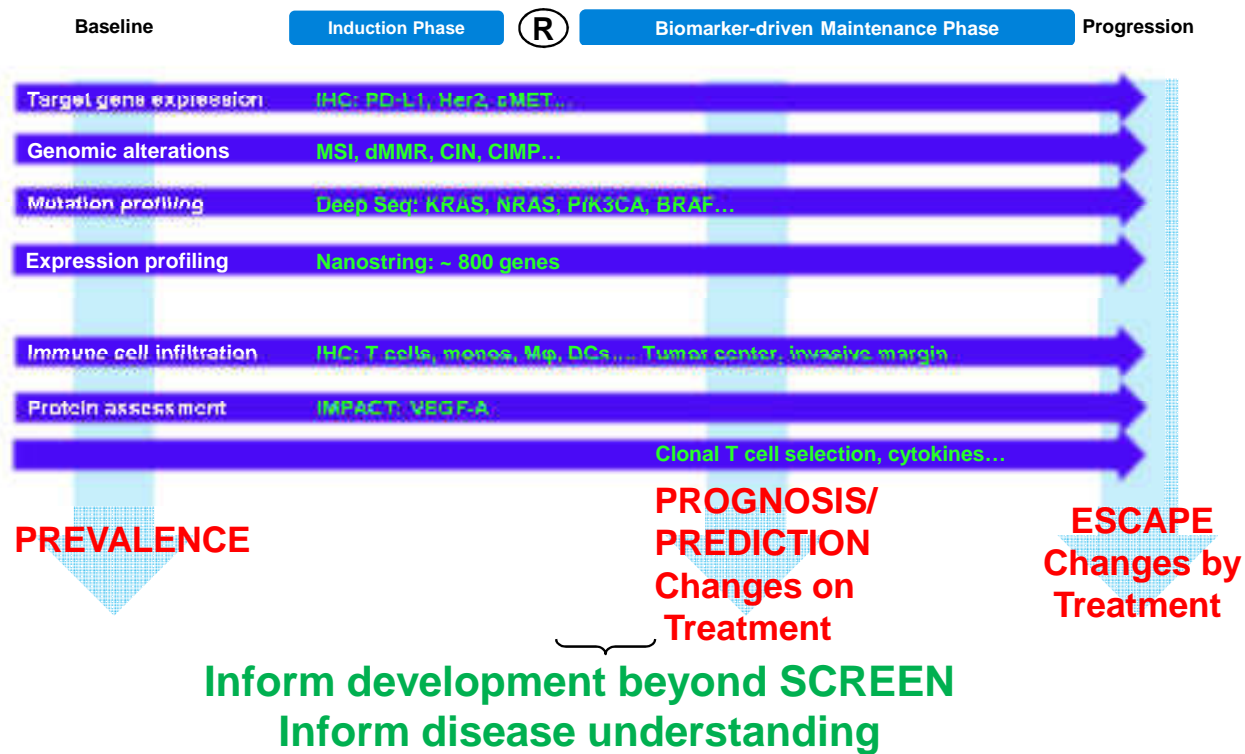
- **Sponsor: Roche, in close collaboration with international study groups**
- 1600+ patients to be randomised, open depending on future adaptations
- Primary EP: Early Response (Waterfall Plots) and PFS (Phase 2 level investigation for each randomisation); Secondary EP: OS, ORR, safety, QoL, biomarker, etc

Suggesting dosing: (According to MyPathway Study NCT02091141):

- **Pertuzumab** 840 mg IV loading dose, then 420 mg IV Q3W +
- **Trastuzumab** 8 mg/kg IV loading dose, then 6 mg/kg, IV Q3W



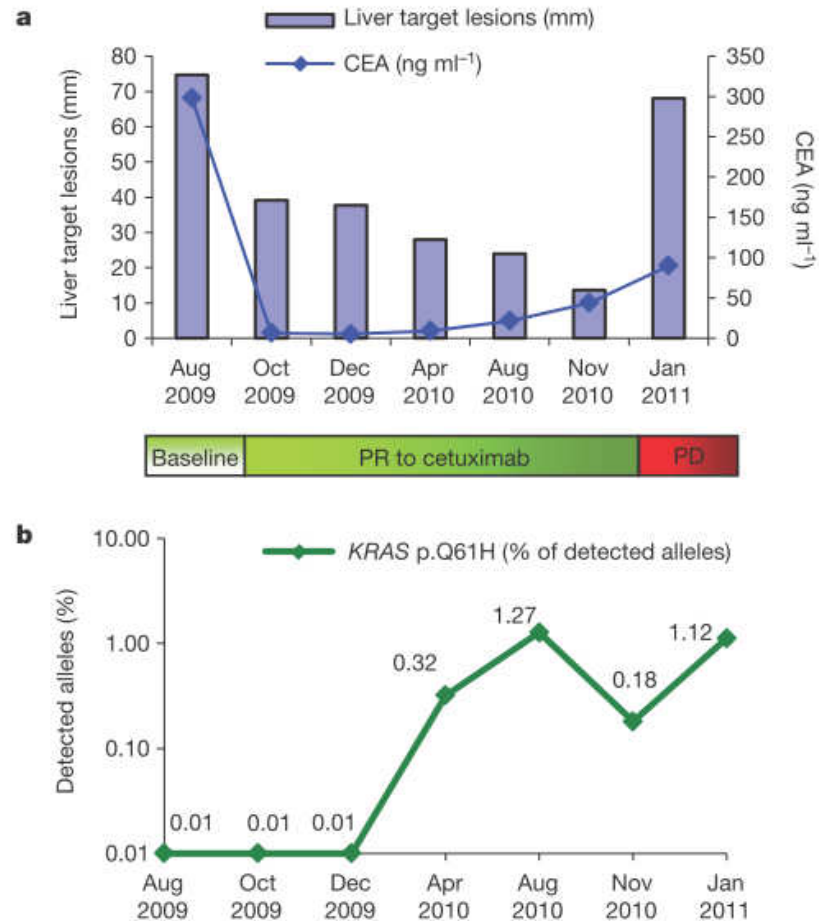
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KRAS mut/ampl under pressure

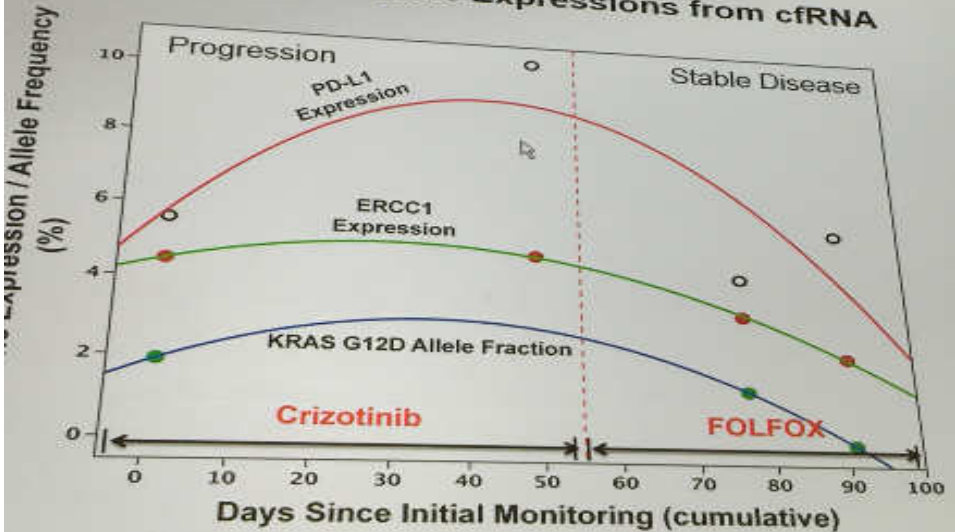
Initial response to cetuximab followed by PD

Quantitative analysis of KRAS(Q61H) mutant DNA in plasma, as assessed by BEAMing

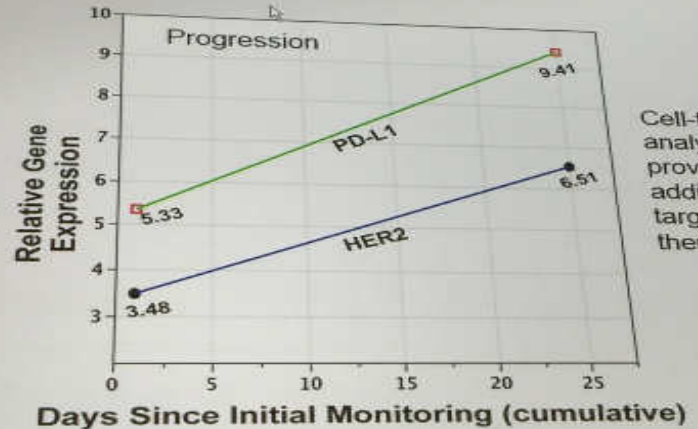


Misale S, et al. Nature 2012
Diaz E, et al. Nature 2012

RC Patient : KRAS Mutation AF% and Relative Gene Expressions from cfRNA



Gastric Patient: HER2 Negative by FISH:



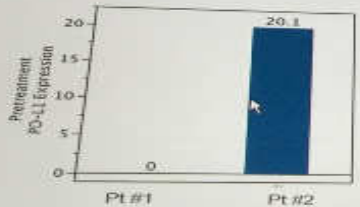
Cell-free RNA analysis provides two additional targets for therapy.

parallel, PD-L1 and HER2 relative gene expressions nearly double in 25-day interval

Cell-Free RNA Analysis: NSCLC

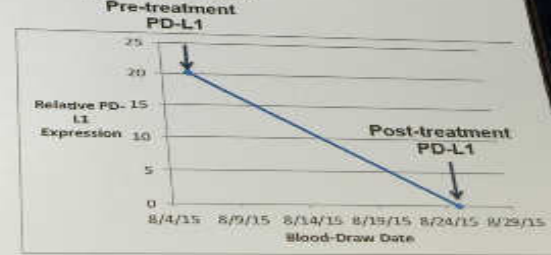
Measurement of Relative Expression of PD-L1 in Cancer Patient's Plasma from cfRNA

Positive PD-L1 cfRNA and response to nivolumab



No PD-L1 No Response High PD-L1 Response
Patient Outcome

Expected decrease in PD-L1 during treatment for Responding Patient



Danenberg, K., et al, IASLC Presentation, Sept. 2015

Summary: Transitioning from Tissue to Blood

Testing must consist of DNA and RNA components

DNA Mutations

Replace Tissue Based DNA Mutation Tests with Cell-Free DNA Blood Tests

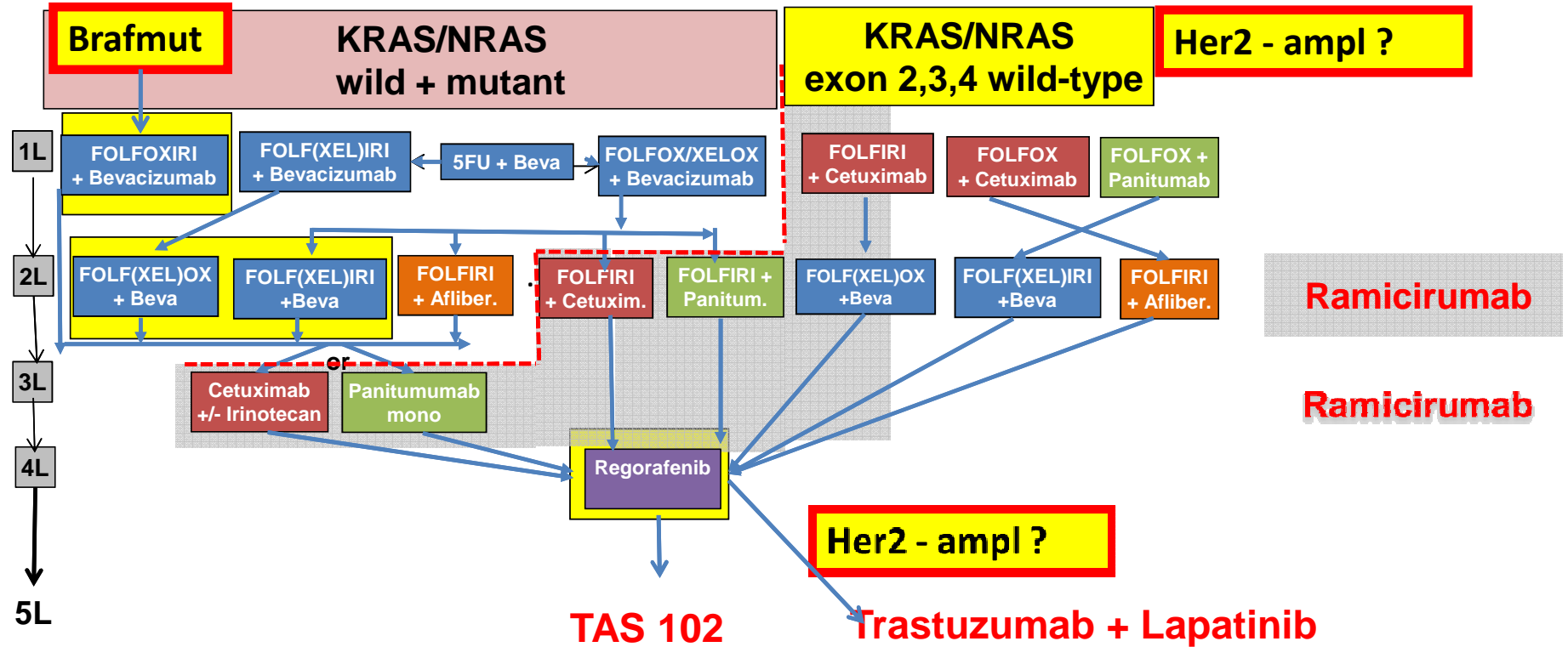
RNA Expression

Replace Tissue - IHC and FISH Tests with Cell-Free RNA Blood Tests

From ambient temperature shipped blood

CRC Treatment Algorhythm 2015

modif. from: Schmoll, HJ & Stein, A: Nature Reviews Clin Oncol 2/2014



= new treatment options 2014+2015