



# Role of Systemic therapy in Gynecological Cancers

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# Endometrial Cancer

# Guideline Recommendations for the Management of Newly Diagnosed EC

- Surgery is the first treatment for EC<sup>1</sup>
- Total hysterectomy bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy
  - Sentinel lymph node mapping vs lymph node dissection

## Stage I Endometrioid Cancer<sup>1,2</sup>

- Manage with surgery ± RT
  - Frail and comorbidities: External RT and/or vaginal brachytherapy is recommended
  - Consider hormone therapy for fertility-sparing option

## Stage II Cancers<sup>1,2</sup>

- Surgery (to remove uterus, connective tissue, upper part of vagina, both fallopian tubes and ovaries) + external RT and/or vaginal brachytherapy

## Stage IIIA-IIIC (Cancer Spread to Lymph Nodes)<sup>1,2</sup>

- Surgery, platinum-based chemotherapy\* ± RT
  - Frail and comorbidities: External RT and/or vaginal brachytherapy is recommended
- High grade: omentectomy ± peritoneal biopsies

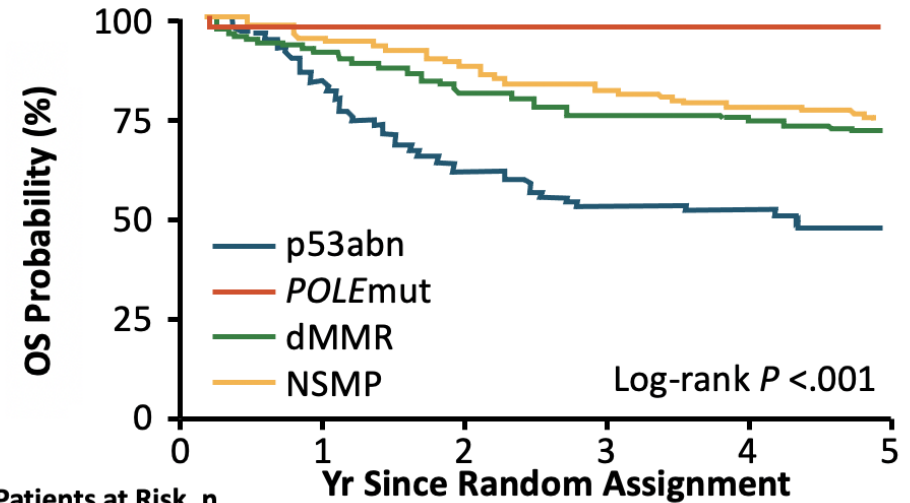
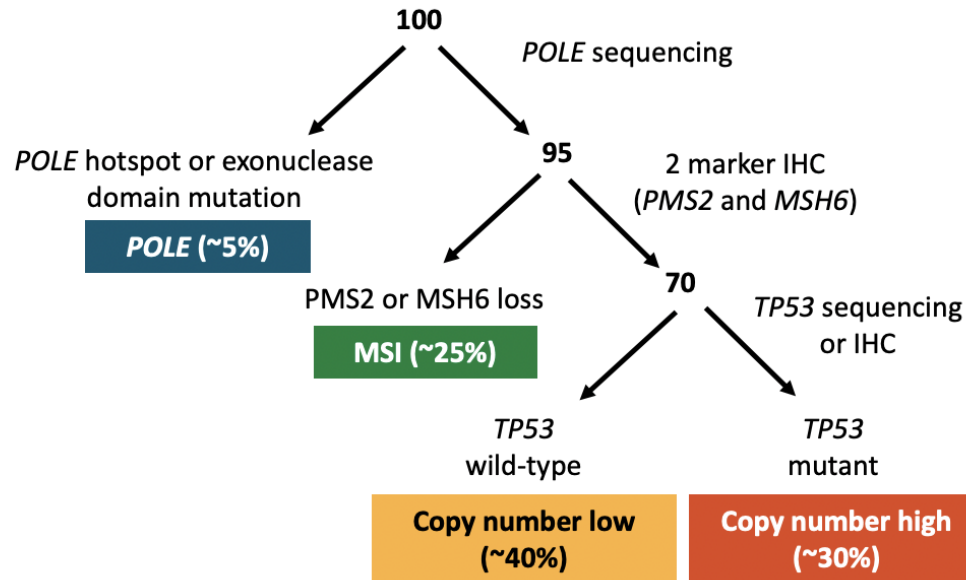
## Stage IVA-IVB (Spread Into Bladder or Lymph Nodes Outside Pelvis)<sup>1,2</sup>

- Hysterectomy to prevent excessive bleeding ± RT
- Hormone therapy in endometrioid type (progestin, tamoxifen, LHRH agonist, aromatase inhibitors)
- Combination chemotherapy
- Targeted therapy (lenvatinib, bevacizumab, everolimus/letrozole, temsirolimus)
- Immunotherapy (pembrolizumab)

# TCGA Molecular Classification and Outcomes

## Patients Divided Into TCGA subgroups

100 hypothetical patients with newly diagnosed endometrial cancer



	Patients at Risk, n					
	0	1	2	3	4	5
p53abn	93	72	57	49	44	32
POLEmut	51	50	50	49	48	37
dMMR	137	124	112	102	96	74
NSMP	129	122	113	105	94	69

- 410 patients with successful molecular testing
  - 23% p53abn: p53 abnormal
  - 12% POLEmut: POLE ultramutated
  - 33% dMMR: mismatch repair deficient
  - 32% NSMP: no specific molecular profile

- Prognostic value of molecular classification of high-risk endometrial cancer for benefit from chemotherapy





**Table 2** Definition of prognostic risk groups

Risk group	Molecular classification unknown	Molecular classification known*†
<b>Low</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Stage IA endometrioid + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Stage I-II <b>POLEmut</b> endometrial carcinoma, no residual disease</li> <li>▶ Stage IA <b>MMRd/NSMP</b> endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal</li> </ul>
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<b>Advanced metastatic</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Stage III-IVA with residual disease</li> <li>▶ Stage IVB</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Stage III-IVA with residual disease of any molecular type</li> <li>▶ Stage IVB of any molecular type</li> </ul>

# Recommendations as per risk category

Risk group	Molecular classification unknown	Molecular classification known*†
Low	Observation alone (Level III A)	Observation alone (Level I A)

Based on the GOG 99 and PORTEC 1 studies

Stelloo E, Nout RA, Osse EM, et al. Improved risk assessment by integrating molecular and clinicopathological factors in early-stage endometrial cancer—combined analysis of the PORTEC cohorts. Clin Cancer Res 2016;22:4215–24.

# Recommendations as per risk category

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**Adjuvant brachytherapy can be recommended (Level I A)**  
**Omission of Adj BT esp for pts <60 (Level II, A)**



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pN0 after lymph node staging

**Adjuvant brachytherapy can be recommended (Level II B)**

**EBRT for Substantial LVSI**

**Adjuvant Chemo especially for G3 and/or LVSI (Level II C)**

**Omission of any adjuvant therapy (Level IV C)**

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cN0/pNx (lymph node staging not performed)

**Substantial LVSI + ->EBRT**  
**Adjuvant BT alone if High grade, LVSI -ve, Stage II**  
**Additional Adjuvant Chemo especially for G3 and/or LVSI (Level II C)**

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# Adjuvant chemotherapy in Endometrial Cancer

- Stage I /II – Clear Cell , Serous
- III & IV A–All Histology
- Chemotherapy → RT
  - 4 cycles of Paclitaxel (175 mg/m<sup>2</sup> )+ Carboplatin AUC 5-6
  - Followed by RT

# PORTEC 3

- Adjuvant Chemo radiotherapy compared to RT alone
- Improved FFS and PFS in
  - Stage III
  - Serous Histology
- Toxicity higher in CTRT arm during treatment. No significant difference at 5 years



	PORTEC 3	GOG 258
Comparison	CTRT vs RT	CTRT vs CT
Inclusion Criteria	IA G3+ LVSI, IBG3 II, IIIA, IIIC, III B (if para involved) Stage I-III with clear cell and Serous histology	Stage III, IVA –any histology Stage I/II –Clear Cell/Serous
Stage III	FFS – CTRT-70.9% RT-58.4%	RFS –(most pts stage III) CTRT-59% CT-58%
Recurrence Sites		
Vaginal	CTRT-2.1% RT-2.1%	CTRT-2% CT-7%
Pelvic and PA Nodal Rec	(Pelvic)CTRT-5.5 RT-8.5	CTRT-11% CT-20%
Distant	CTRT-22% RT-29%	CTRT-27% CT-21%

# Evidences

## **PORTEC 3**

- Combined CRT (two cycles of cisplatin during radiotherapy followed by four cycles of carboplatin-paclitaxel) compared with RT alone,
- 5% overall survival benefit at 5 years and a 7% failure-free survival benefit was seen in the combined therapy group compared with radiotherapy alone.

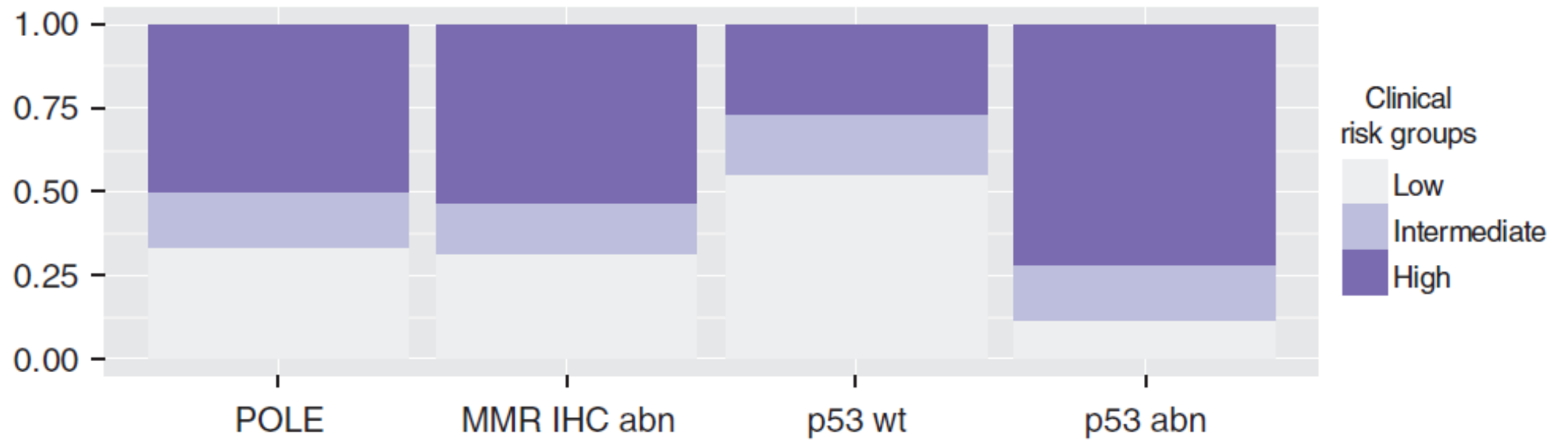
## **GOG 258**

- Same CRT schedule vs 6# C+P alone with no difference
- Chemo alone arm had increased Pelvic and Para-aortic recurrence

## **GOG 249**

- No increase in Recurrence free survival in vaginal cuff brachytherapy followed by three cycles of paclitaxel and carboplatin chemotherapy compared to Pelvic RT alone

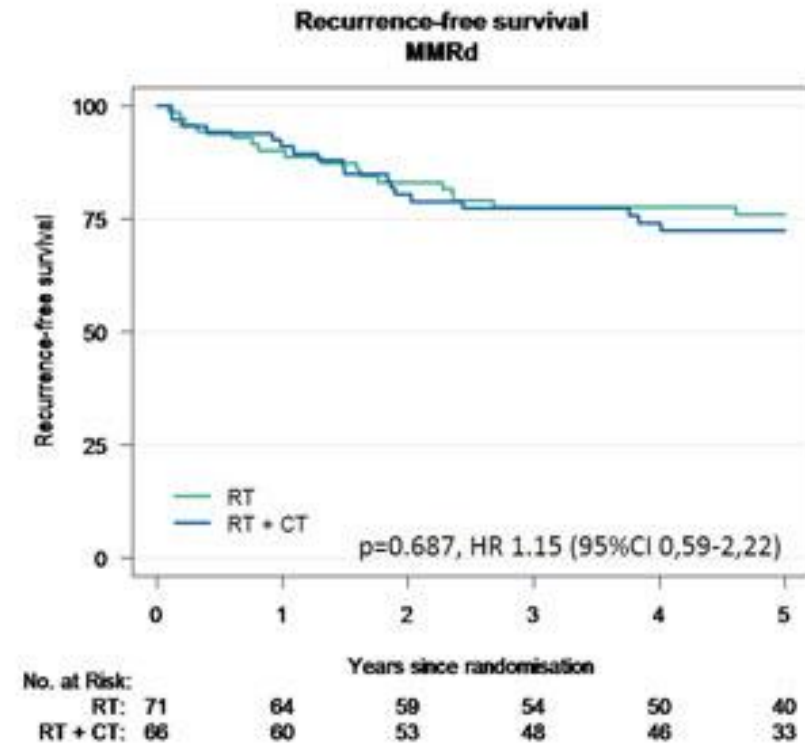
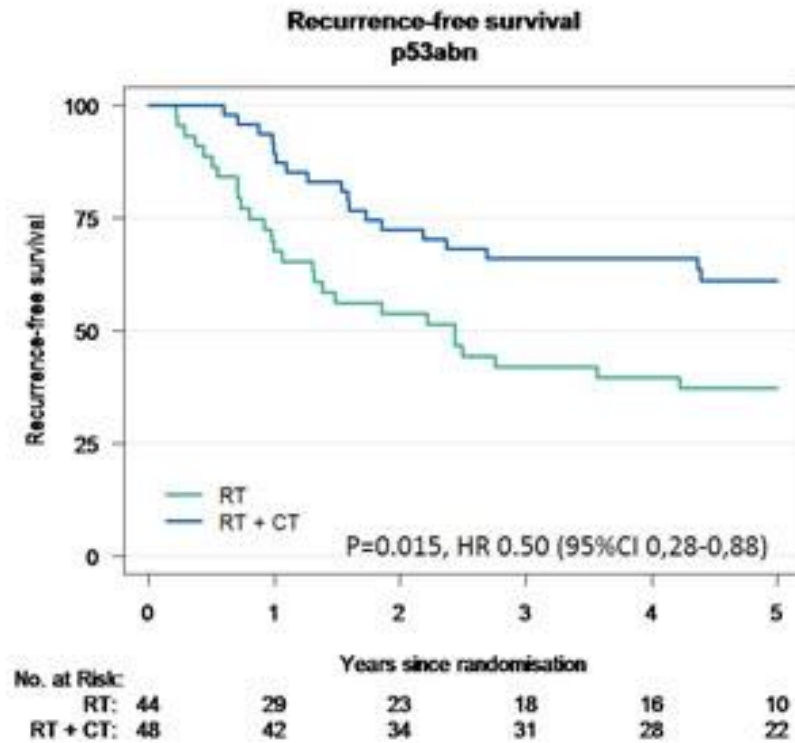
# Molecular subtypes and Clinical risk groups



# Molecular classification of the PORTEC-3 trial for high-risk endometrial cancer: impact on adjuvant therapy

Mol Type (n)	Events	5 yr RFS estimate %	HR (95%CI)	P value HR
<b>p 53 abn (92)</b>				
RT	28	37.2	1	
CTRT	20	61.1	0.5 (0.28-0.88)	<b>0.017</b>
POLE mut (52)				
RT	1	96.6	1	
CTRT	0	100	0.02(<0.01- >10 <sup>4</sup> )	0.632
MMRd (137)				
RT	17	75.8	1	
CTRT	18	72.4	1.15 (0.59-2.22)	0.687
NSMP (129)				
RT	19	68.9	1	
CTRT	17	81.2	0.71 (0.37-1.37)	0.311

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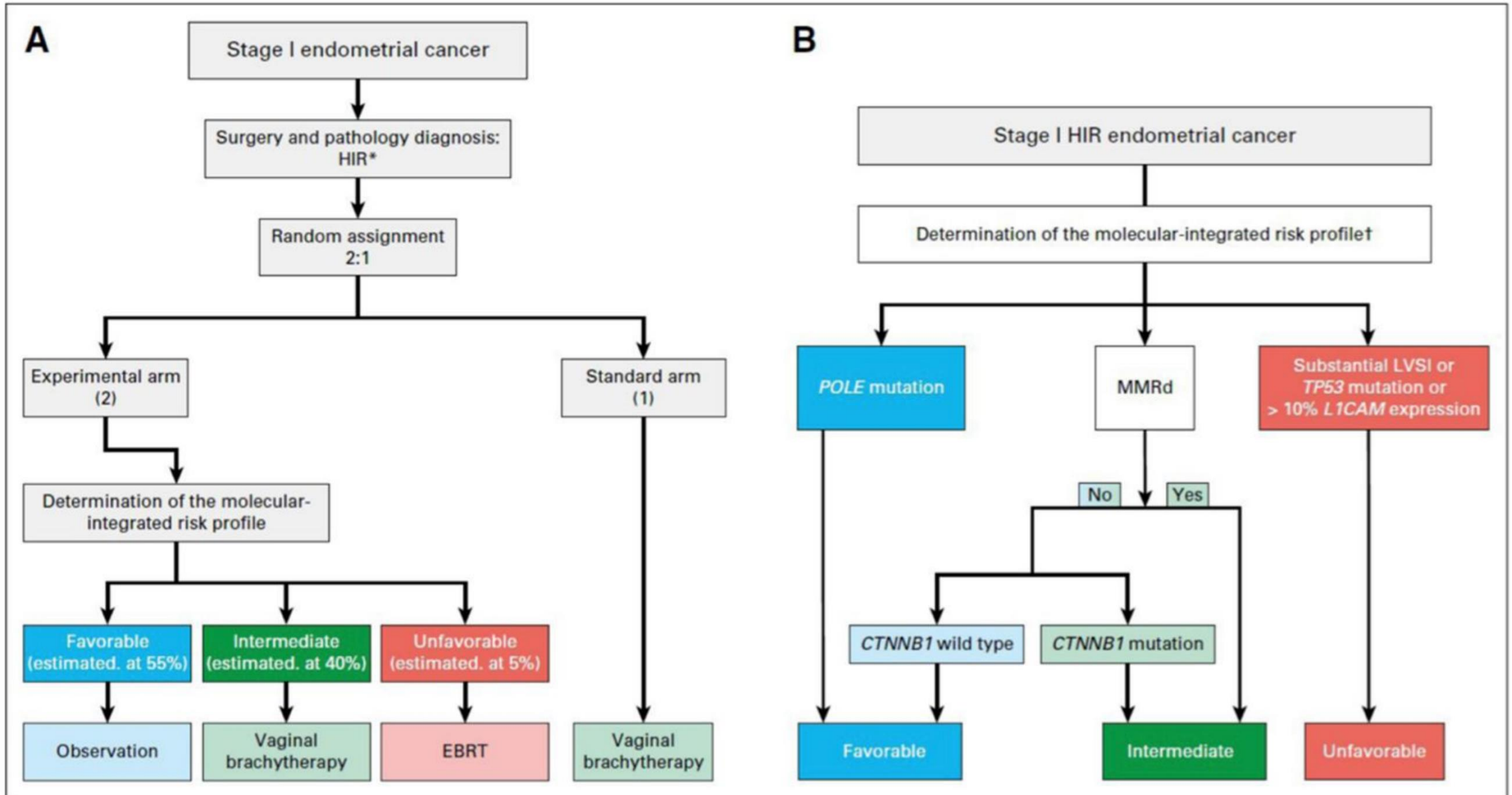
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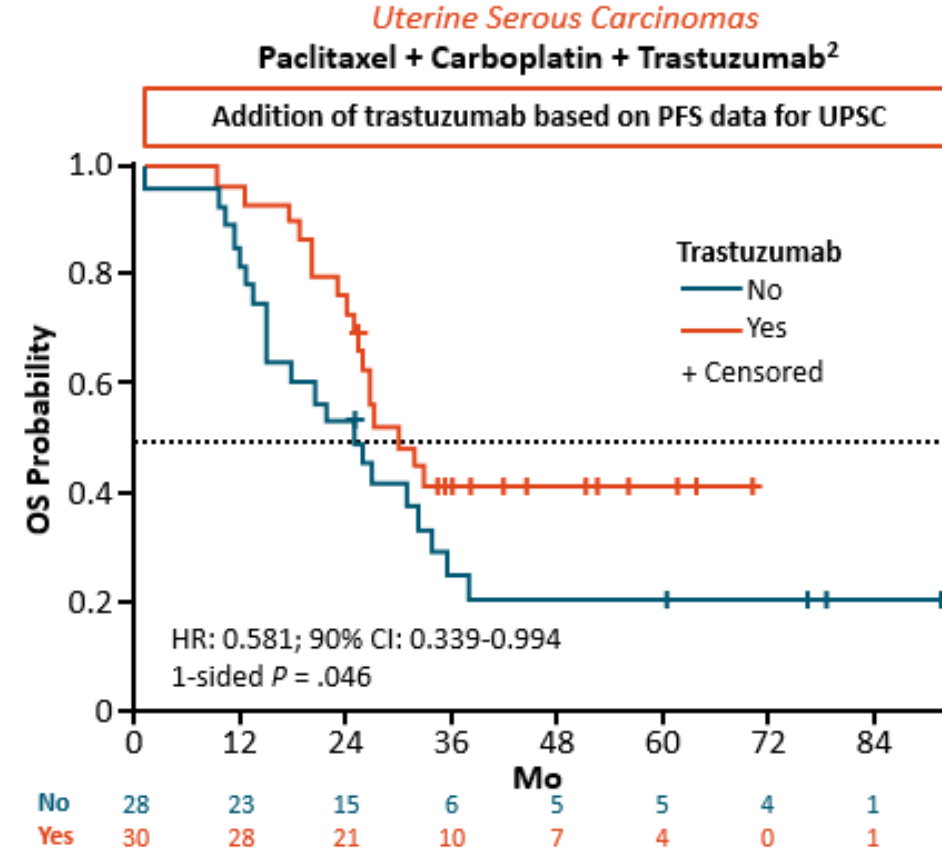
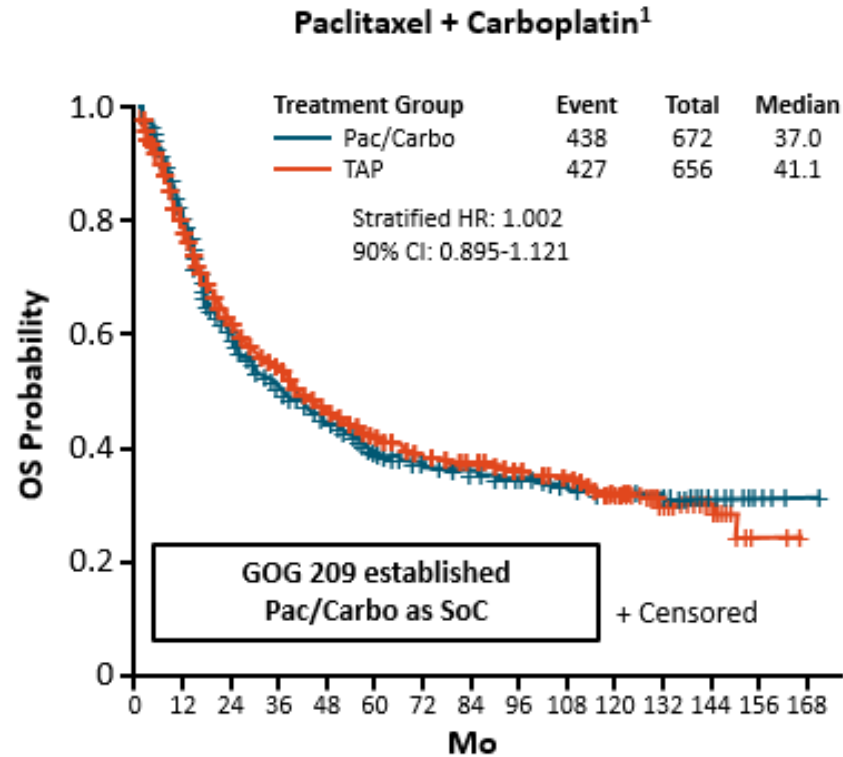
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**EBRT with concurrent and adjuvant chemotherapy (I, A) Alternatively sequential chemotherapy and radiotherapy is recommended (I, B)  
Chemo alone (I, B)**

# Study design of the PORTEC-4a trial



# Advanced/Recurrent Endometrial Cancer



1. Miller. JCO. 2020;38:3841. 2. Fader. Clin Cancer Res. 2020;26:3928.

# KEYNOTE-158: Antitumor Activity of Pembrolizumab in Patients With MSI-H Advanced EC

- Prospective, open-label phase II study in patients with MSI-H/dMMR solid tumors (N = 233)

Efficacy Summary	MSI-H EC (N = 49) (Cohorts D + K)
<b>ORR, % (95% CI)</b>	<b>57.1 (42.2-71.2)*</b>
<b>Best overall response n (%)</b>	
▪ CR	8 (16.3)
▪ PR	20 (40.8)
▪ SD	8 (16.3)
▪ PD	11 (22.4)
Median PFS, mo (95% CI)	25.7 (4.9-NR)
Median OS, mo (95% CI)	NR (27.2-NR)
<b>Median DoR, mo (range)</b>	<b>NR (2.9-27.0+)</b>

FDA Approval May 2017  
First FDA approval based on a biomarker  
regardless of tumor type

Ongoing phase III NRG-GY018 trial  
is directly comparing carboplatin + paclitaxel  
with placebo or pembrolizumab in patients  
with recurrent or primary advanced EC  
(estimated N = 810); primary endpoint: PFS  
(NCT03914612)

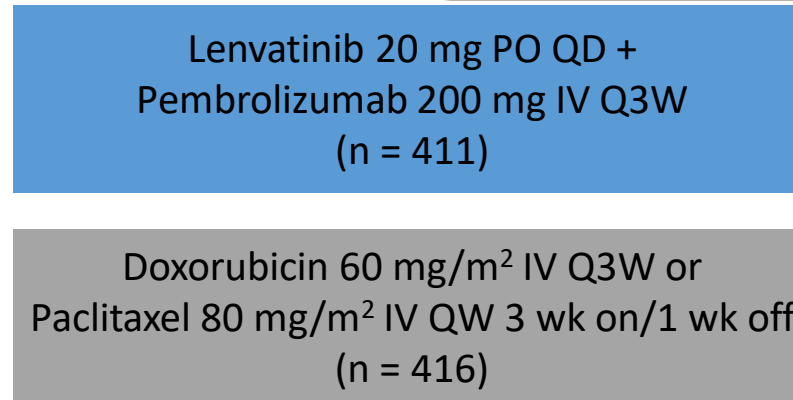
# Study 309/KEYNOTE-775: Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab After Platinum in Advanced EC

- Confirmatory, randomized, open-label phase III study

*Stratified by MMR status (pMMR vs dMMR), within pMMR by region, ECOG PS 0 vs 1, prior history of pelvic radiation*

FDA Accelerated Approval September 2019  
FDA Full Approval July 2021  
For patients with recurrent/advanced endometrial cancer who are not MSI-H or dMMR

Patients with advanced, metastatic, or recurrent EC with measurable disease after 1 previous platinum-based CT\*; ECOG PS 0/1; tissue available for MMR testing (N = 827)



*Until PD or unacceptable toxicity*

Primary endpoints: PFS by BICR, OS

Secondary endpoints: ORR, health-related quality of life, pharmacokinetics, safety

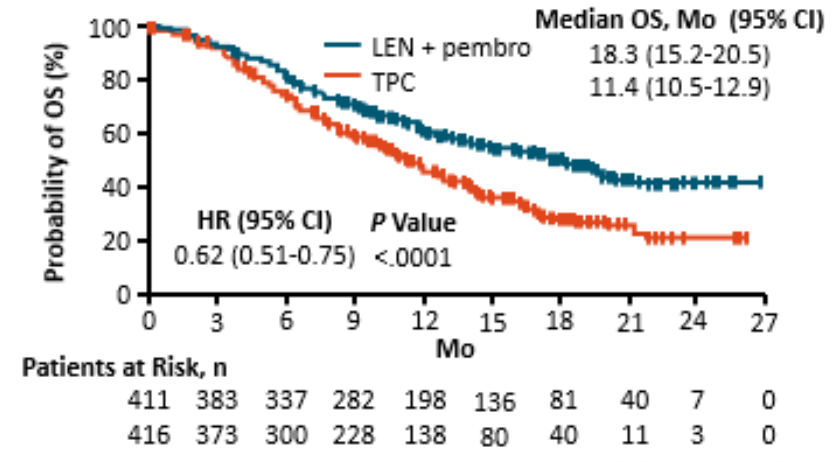
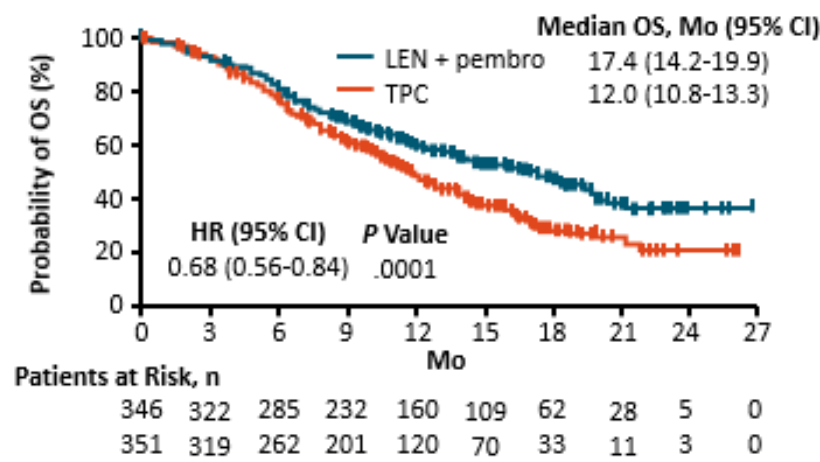
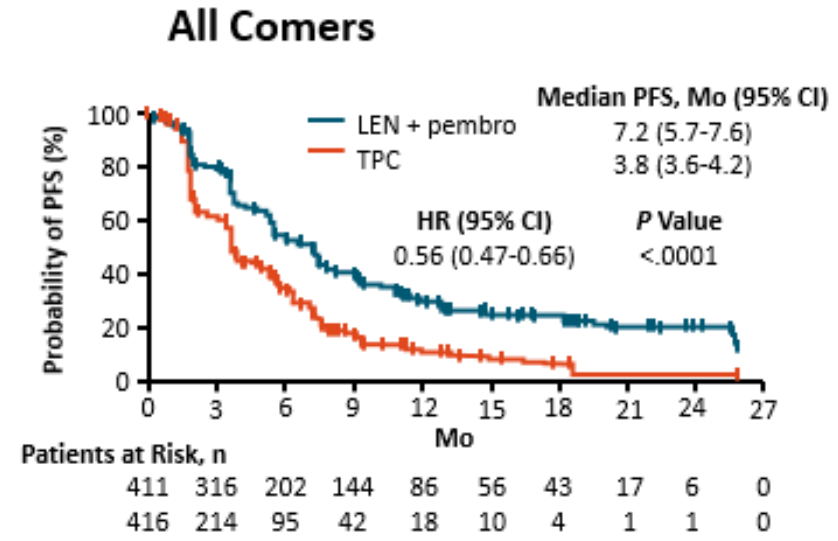
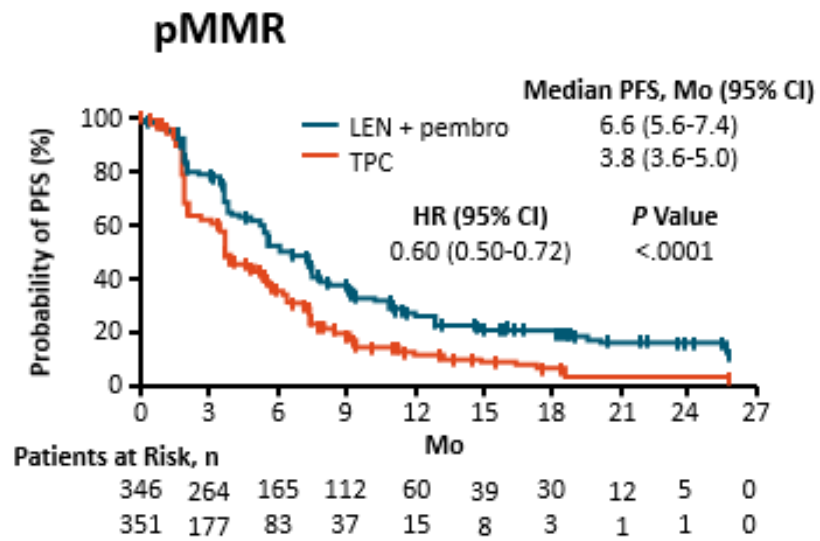
Key exploratory endpoint: DoR



# Study 309/KEYNOTE-775: Responses

Parameter	pMMR		Overall	
	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab (n = 346)	Doxorubicin or Paclitaxel (n = 351)	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab (n = 411)	Doxorubicin or Paclitaxel (n = 416)
ORR, % (95% CI)	30.3 (25.5-35.5)	15.1 (11.5-19.3)	31.9 (27.4-36.6)	14.7 (11.4-18.4)
	<i>P</i> <.0001		<i>P</i> <.0001	
Best overall response, %				
▪ CR	5.2	2.6	6.6	2.6
▪ PR	25.1	12.5	25.3	12.0
▪ SD	48.6	39.6	47.0	40.1
▪ PD	15.6	30.8	14.8	29.6
▪ Not evaluable/assessed	0.6/4.9	2.0/12.5	1.2/5.1	1.9/13.7
Median DoR, mo (range)	9.2 (1.6-23.7)	5.7 (0-24.2)	14.4 (1.6-23.7)	5.7 (0-24.2)
Median time to response, mo (range)	2.1 (1.5-9.4)	3.5 (1.0-7.4)	3.1 (1.5-16.3)	2.1 (1.0-7.4)

# Study 309/KEYNOTE-775: PFS and OS Benefit



# Study 309/KEYNOTE-775: TEAEs

TEAE, %	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab (n = 406)		Doxorubicin or Paclitaxel (n = 351)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3*	Any Grade	Grade ≥3*
Hypertension	64.0	37.9	5.2	2.3
Hypothyroidism	57.4	1.2	0.8	0
Diarrhea	54.2	7.6	20.1	2.1
Nausea	49.5	3.4	46.1	1.3
Decreased appetite	44.8	7.9	21.1	0.5
Vomiting	36.7	2.7	20.9	2.3
Weight decrease	34.0	10.3	5.7	0.3
Fatigue	33.0	5.2	27.6	3.1
Arthralgia	30.5	1.7	8.0	0

TEAE, %	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab (n = 406)		Doxorubicin or Paclitaxel (n = 351)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3*	Any Grade	Grade ≥3*
Proteinuria	28.8	5.4	2.8	0.3
Anemia	26.1	6.2	48.7	14.7
Constipation	25.9	0.7	24.7	0.5
UTI	25.6	3.9	10.1	1.0
Headache	24.9	0.5	8.8	0.3
Asthenia	23.6	5.9	24.5	3.9
Neutropenia	7.4	1.7	33.8	25.8
Alopecia	5.4	0	30.9	0.5

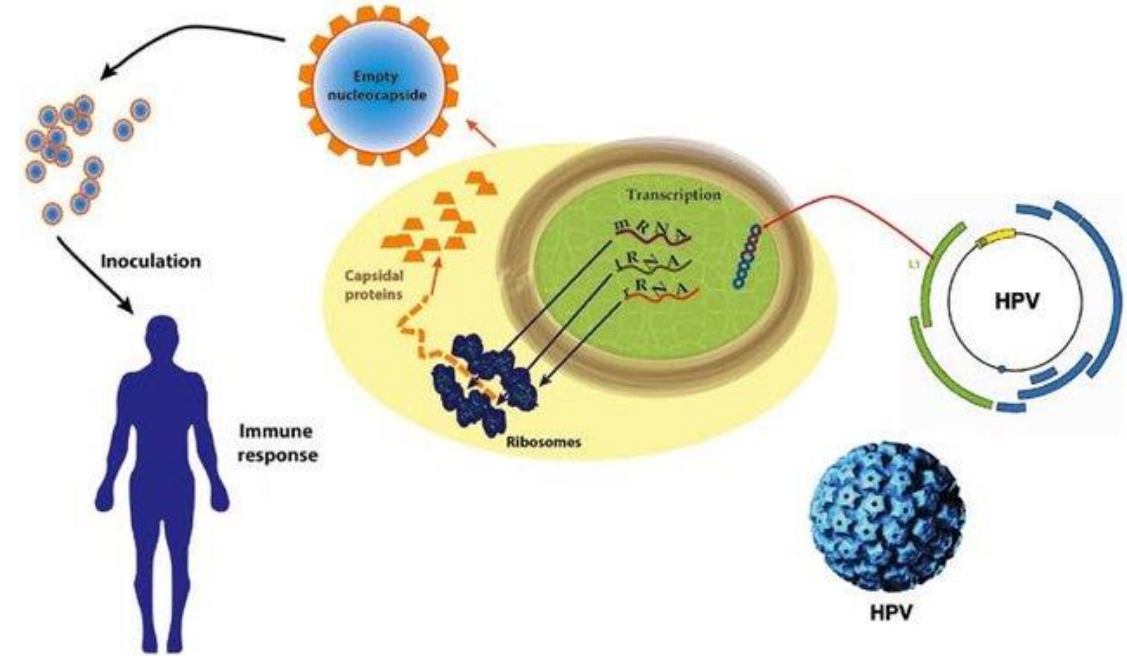
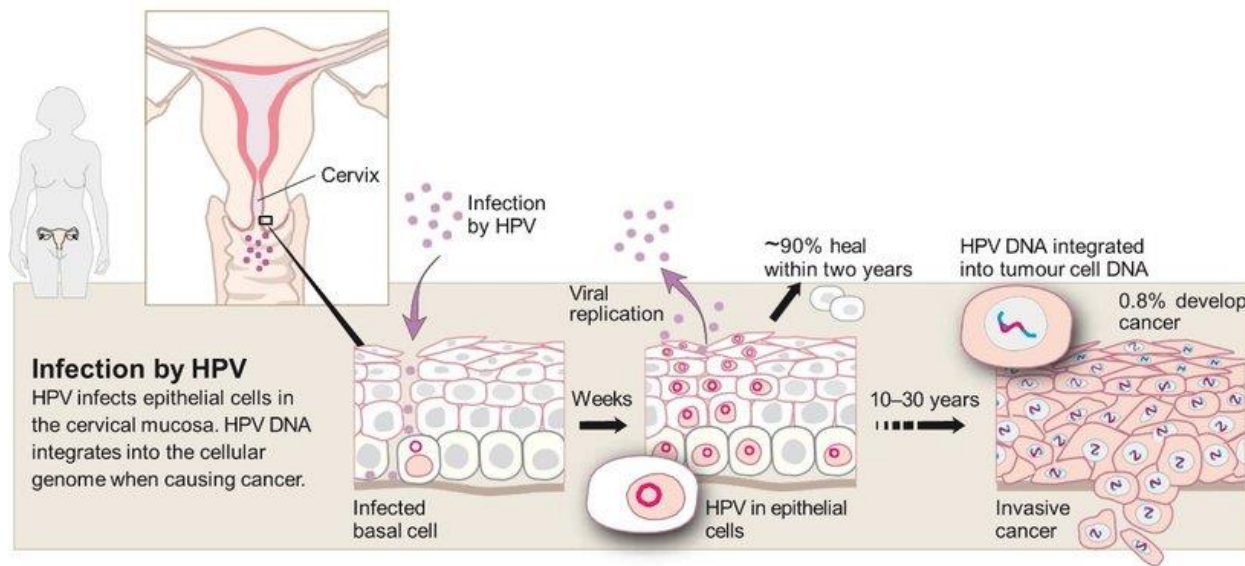
general disorder [1.5%], and infections [0.7%]), and 4.9% of patients in the TPC arm suffered grade 5 AEs (including cardiac disorder [1%], general disorder [1.3%], infections [1.5%], and subdural hematoma [0.3%]).

# Systemic Therapy in Cervical Cancer

- i) Concurrent
- ii) Neoadjuvant
- iii) Adjuvant
- iv) Palliative

# Cancer of the Cervix: Tumorigenesis and Prevention

- HPV infection and tumorigenesis<sup>1</sup>
- HPV vaccination and preventive measures<sup>2</sup>



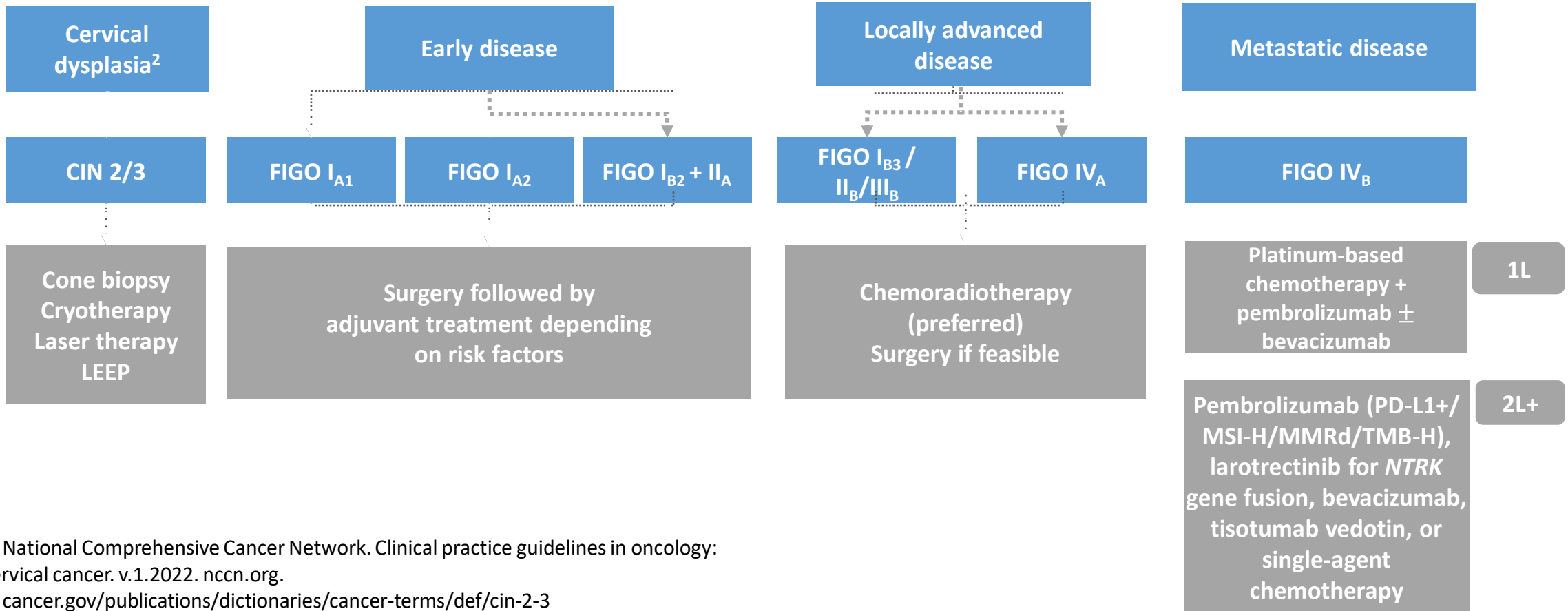
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# Cervical Cancer: Summary of Available Treatment Options

Initial diagnosis<sup>1</sup>  
Colposcopy/biopsy



1. National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Clinical practice guidelines in oncology: cervical cancer. v.1.2022. nccn.org.  
 2. cancer.gov/publications/dictionaries/cancer-terms/def/cin-2-3  
 3. SEER Cancer Stat Facts: Cervical Cancer. National Cancer Institute. Bethesda, MD.  
 4. Tisotumab vedotin PI. 5. Pembrolizumab PI.

# Concurrent Chemotherapy

- Concurrent chemoradiation in locally advanced CA Cervix had been investigational until the late 1990s.
- A series of five randomized trials in a variety of disease stages matured around then:

GOG 85	Whitney et al, JCO 1999
RTOG – 9001 <sup>[1]</sup>	Morris M et al, NEJM 1999
GOG 120	Rose PG et al, NEJM 1999
SWOG 8797/GOG 109 <sup>[2]</sup>	Peters WA et al, Gynecol Oncol 1999
GOG 123 <sup>[3]</sup>	Keys HM et al, NEJM 1999

- Collectively, 1894 women were analysed and cisplatin based chemoRT was compared to RT alone (RTOG 9001, GOG 123, SWOG 87-97) and to hydroxyurea (GOG 85 and 120). All showed a significant reduction in the risk of recurrence and death with cisplatin-based chemoRT.
- Meta-analysis: GREEN/Cochrane showed benefit.

Updates:

1. Eifel PJ, et al. J Clin Oncol, 2004
2. Monk BJ, et al. Gynecol Oncol 2005
3. Stehman FB, et al. Am J Obstet Gynecol 2007

# Updated data of GOG 123 (2007)

- At 72 months, 71% of patients receiving CT+RT were predicted to be alive and disease-free when adjusting age and for tumor size compared to 60% of those receiving RT alone.
- The adjusted death HR 0.63 (95% CI: 0.43–0.91,  $p < 0.015$ ) favoring CT+RT.

# Cisplatin-ineligible patients

Treatment with **carboplatin plus RT** resulted in:

- A similar overall response rate compared with cisplatin plus RT (90 versus 88 percent, respectively;  $p = 0.31$ ).
- No difference in survival outcomes at three years.
- OS rate was 88 and 94 percent (HR 1.80, 95% CI 0.49-6.54).
- No difference in the incidence of serious (grade 3/4) toxicity.

# Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy in Cervical Cancer

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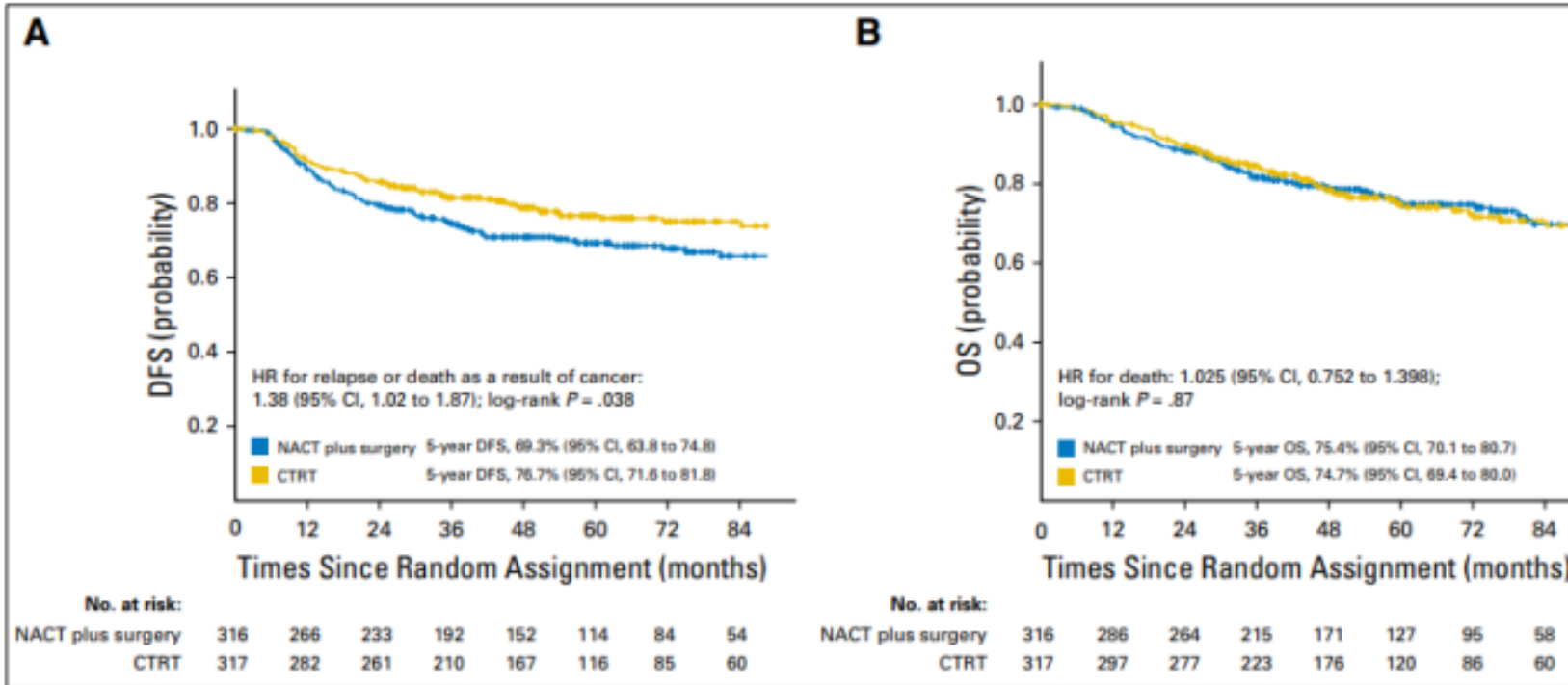
ORIGINAL REPORT

## Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy Followed by Radical Surgery Versus Concomitant Chemotherapy and Radiotherapy in Patients With Stage IB2, IIA, or IIB Squamous Cervical Cancer: A Randomized Controlled Trial

*Sudeep Gupta, Amita Maheshwari, Pallavi Parab, Umesh Mahantshetty, Rohini Hawaldar, Supriya Sastri (Chopra), Rajendra Kerkar, Reena Engineer, Hemant Tongaonkar, Jaya Ghosh, Seema Gulia, Neha Kumar, T. Surappa Shylasree, Renuka Gawade, Yogesh Kembhavi, Madhuri Gaikar, Santosh Menon, Meenakshi Thakur, Shyam Shrivastava, and Rajendra Badwe*

- Single-center, phase III, randomized controlled trial
- NACT - paclitaxel and carboplatin Q3W f/b RH or standard Cisplatin based CCRT Q1W for 5 weeks.
- September 2003 and February 2015,

- 5-year DFS (Primary outcome):
  - NACT f/b Sx: 69.3% ; CCRT : 76.7% (HR, 1.38; 95% CI, 1.02 to 1.87; P = .038),
- 5-year OS (Sec outcome):
  - NACT f/b Sx: 75.4%; CCRT: 74.7%, (HR, 1.025; 95% CI, 0.752 to 1.398; P = .87).
- Delayed toxicities at 24 months or later (Sec outcome) :  
NACT f/b Sx versus CCRT:
  - rectal (2.2% v 3.5%, respectively),
  - bladder (1.6% v 3.5%, respectively)
  - vaginal (12.0% v 25.6%, respectively).



Limitations:

- Over representation of stage IIB cases
- > 20% cases needed adjuvant treatment.
- Not powered for OS as primary end point

Original Article

# Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy in Locally Advanced Cervical Carcinoma – a Role in Patients with Para-aortic Lymph Node Involvement? A 10-year Institutional Experience

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# Results

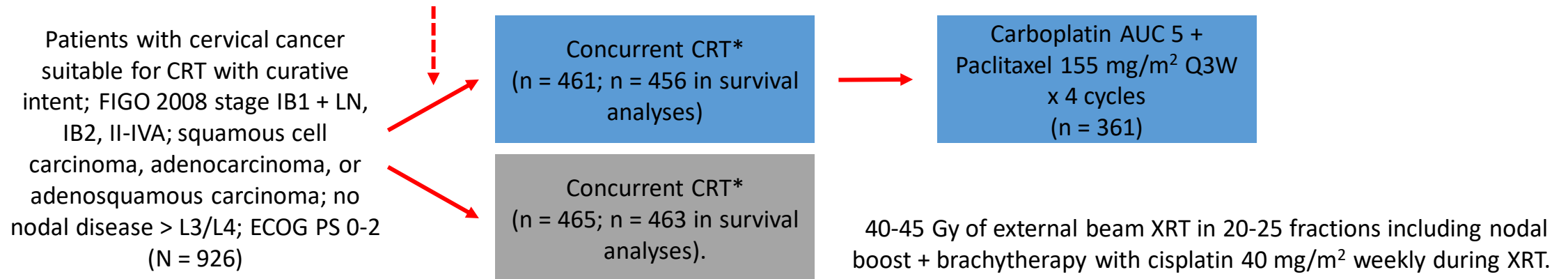
- NACT and extended-field RT had a lower risk of death compared with extended-field RT alone
- HR 0.27, 95% CI: 0.08–1.00;  $P = 0.05$ .
- Three-year OS rates were 83.3% (95% CI 66.1–100) and 64.6% (95% CI 44.6–84.6), respectively.

# Other Indications of NACT in Cervical Cancer

- Stage IVB disease (Bladder/ Rectal Involvement)
- Fistula formation can be prevented with NACT

# Adjuvant chemotherapy-OUTBACK: Study Design

- International, randomized phase III trial (median follow-up: 5 yr)



## Primary endpoint: OS

Study protocol amended in 2016 to increase sample size from N = 780 to 900 due to nonadherence with adjuvant CT and lower event rate than anticipated (80% power and 2-sided  $\alpha = 0.05$  to detect 8% absolute improvement in OS at 5 yr [72% to 80%])

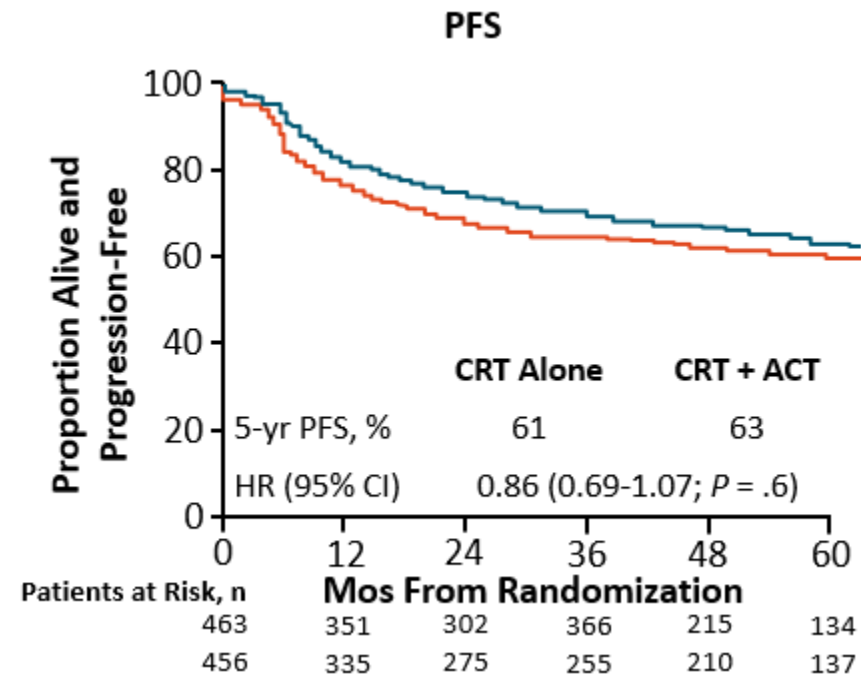
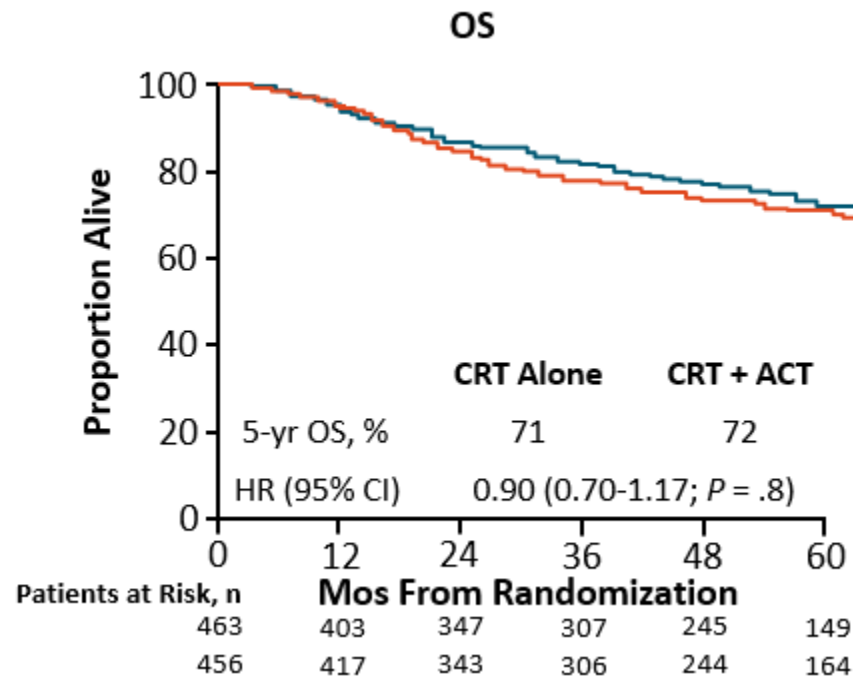
**Secondary endpoints:** PFS, patterns of disease recurrence, radiation protocol compliance, PROs, safety

# OUTBACK: Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	CRT Alone (n = 456)	CRT + ACT (n = 463)
Median age, yrs (range)	45 (22-88)	46 (21-99)
ECOG PS, n (%)		
▪ 0	344 (75)	337 (73)
▪ 1	94 (21)	117 (25)
▪ 2	18 (4)	9 (2)
Race, n (%)		
▪ White	326 (72)	337 (73)
▪ Black	68 (15)	53 (11)
▪ Asian	22 (5)	31 (7)
▪ Aboriginal/Pacific Islander	11 (2)	13 (3)
▪ Other	28 (6)	29 (6)
Region, n (%)		
▪ Australia and New Zealand	84 (18)	81 (17)
▪ USA and Canada	366 (80)	373 (81)
▪ Rest of world	6 (1)	9 (2)
Tobacco smoking, n (%)		
▪ Never	237 (52)	224 (48)
▪ Current/ex-smoker/unknown	219 (48)	239 (52)

Characteristic	CRT Alone (n = 456)	CRT + ACT (n = 463)
Nodal involvement, n (%)		
▪ None	225 (49)	231 (50)
▪ Pelvic only	144 (32)	149 (32)
▪ Common iliac only	33 (7)	31 (7)
▪ Pelvic and common iliac	44 (10)	44 (10)
▪ Unknown	10 (2)	8 (2)
Extended field planned, n (%)		
▪ No	397 (87)	404 (87)
▪ Yes	59 (13)	59 (13)
FIGO 2008 stage, n (%)		
▪ IB1 (all node+), IB2, IIA	152 (33)	154 (33)
▪ IIB	196 (43)	197 (43)
▪ IIIB or IVA	108 (24)	112 (24)
Histology, n (%)		
▪ Squamous	358 (79)	383 (83)
▪ Adenocarcinoma	79 (17)	68 (15)
▪ Adenosquamous	19 (4)	12 (3)
Median max tumor diameter, cm (range)	5.0 (0-11)	5.0 (0-12)

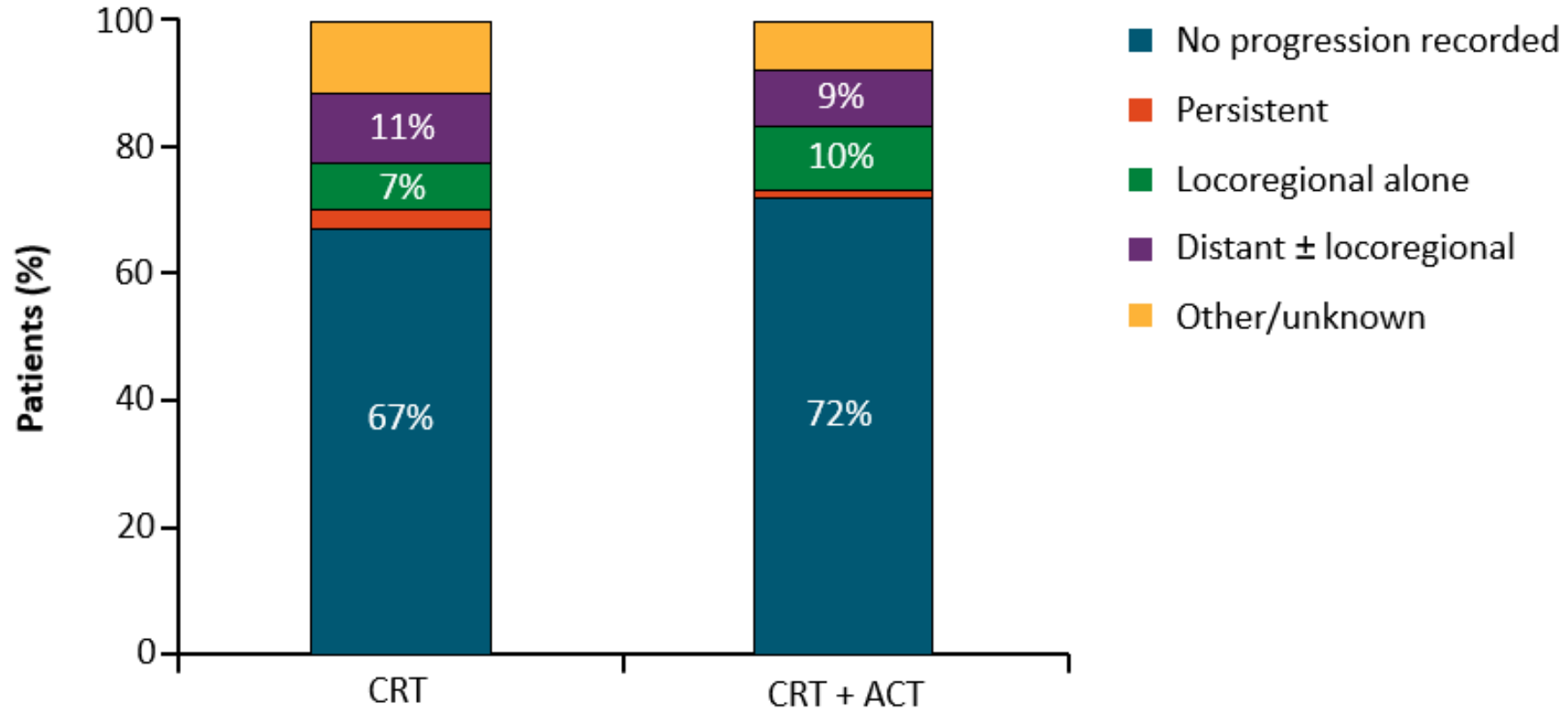
# OUTBACK: OS and PFS



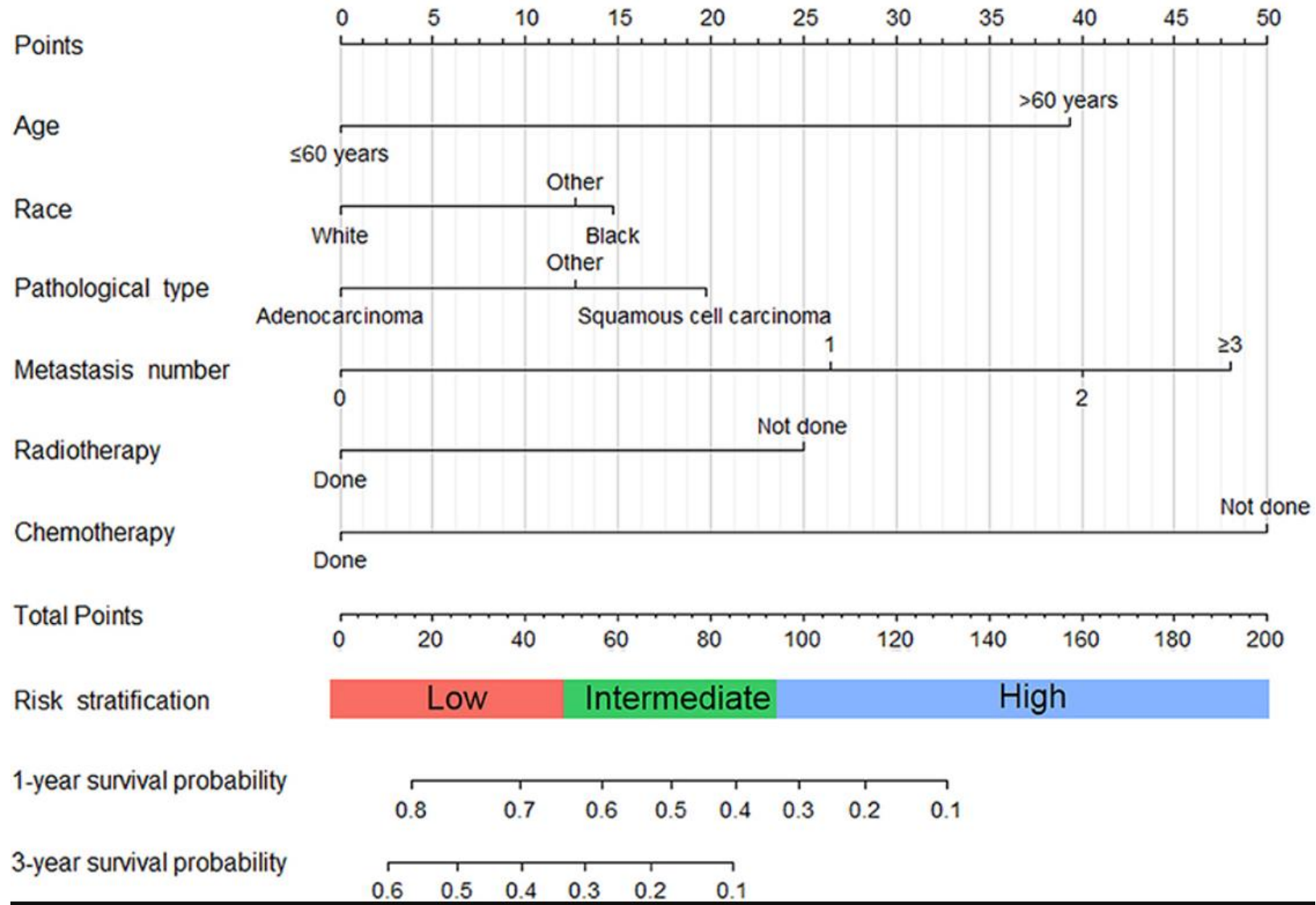
- No significant improvement in 5-yr rates for OS or PFS with CRT + ACT vs CRT alone
- Sensitivity analyses found no significant differences in OS or PFS in CRT + ACT arm for those who did vs did not complete CRT

- Treatment effects consistent across subgroups except for those aged < vs ≥60 yr, where younger patients had greater OS and PFS benefit with CRT + ACT (interaction *P* = .01 and .03, respectively)

# OUTBACK: Disease Recurrence

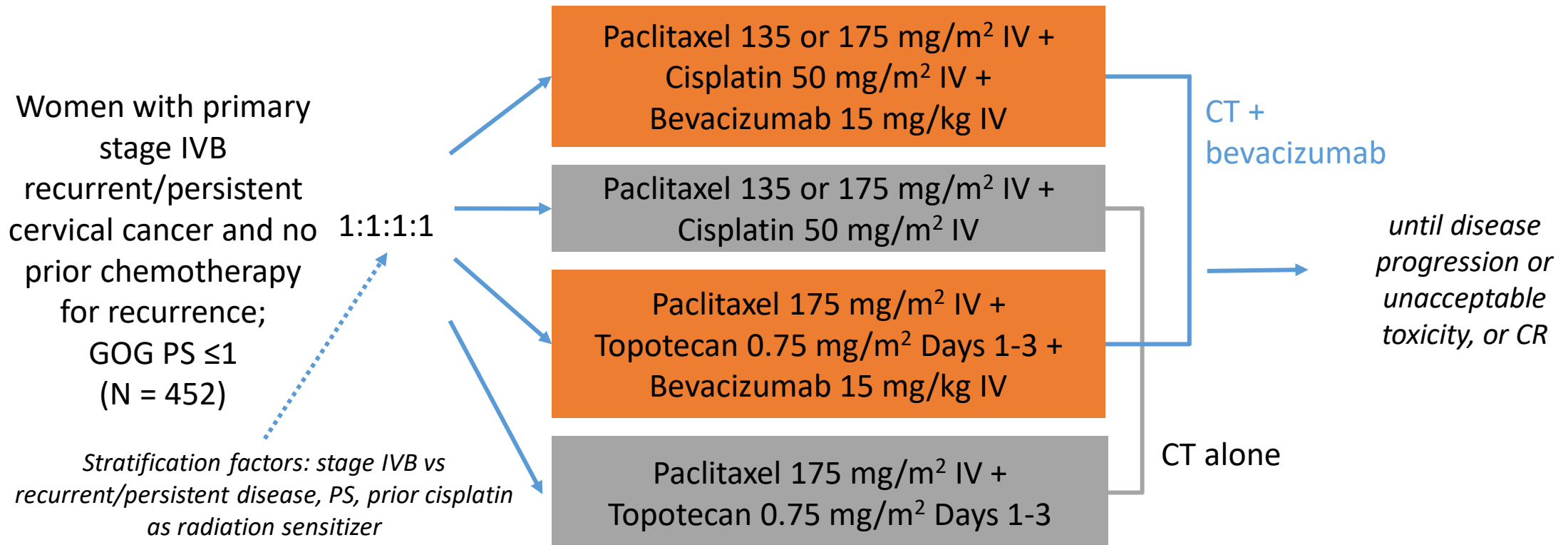


# Nomogram to predict Survival in advanced Cervical Cancer



# GOG 240: Paclitaxel + Cisplatin or Topotecan ± Bevacizumab in Recurrent/Persistent Cervical Cancer

- Randomized, open-label phase III study

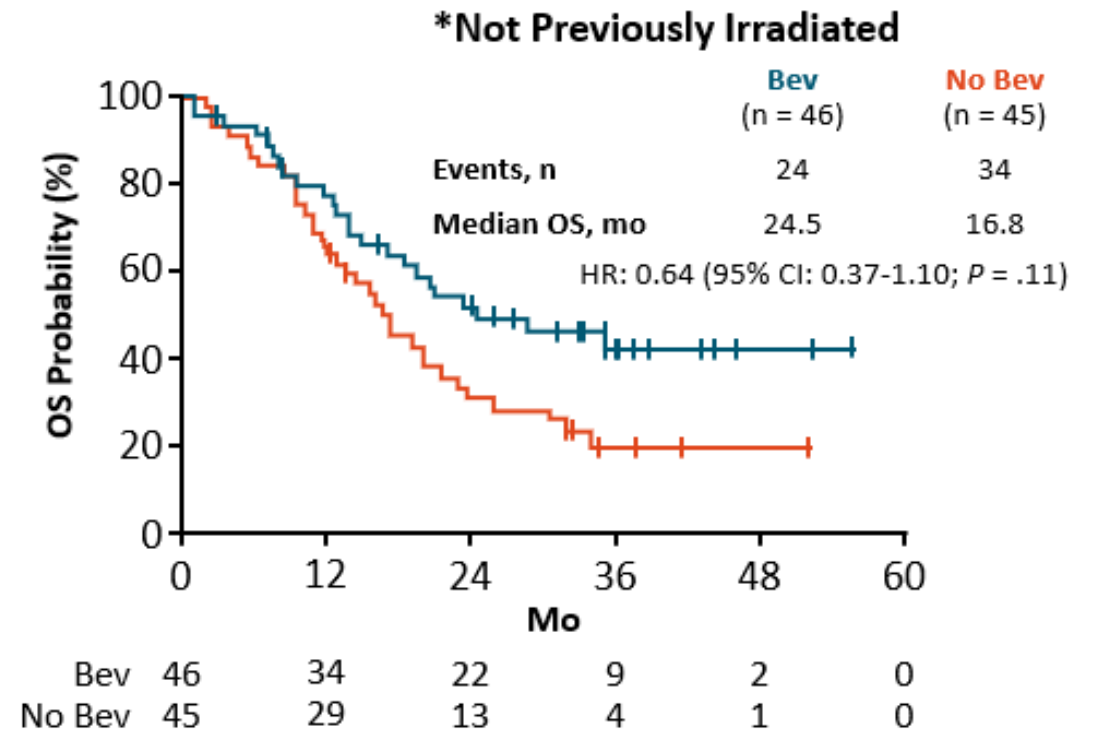
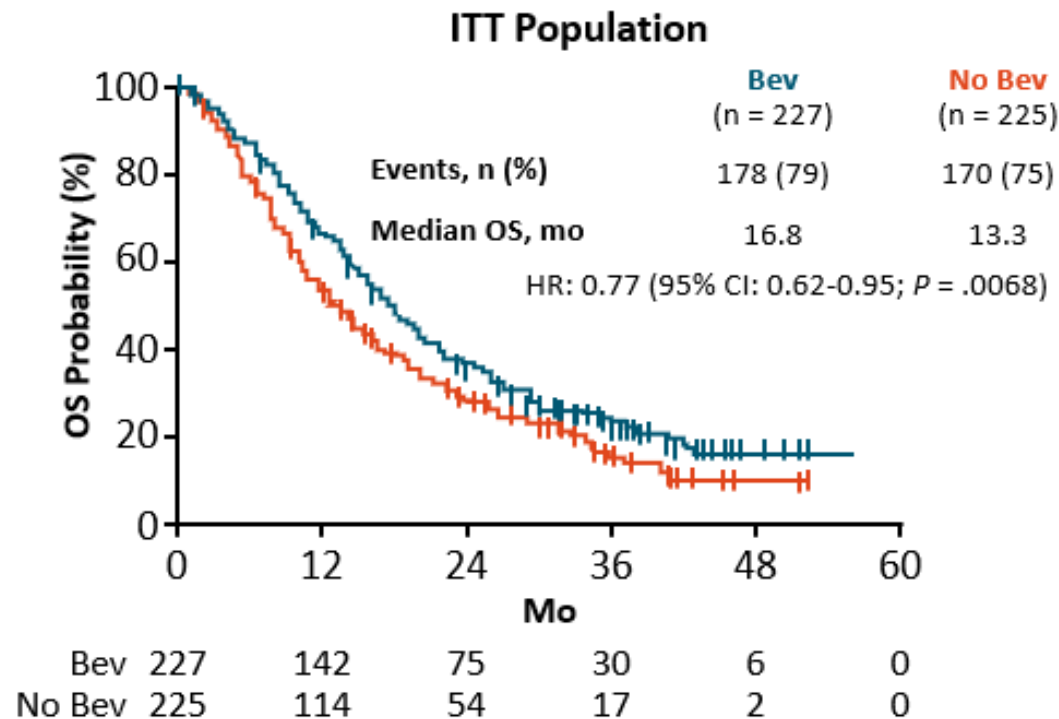


- Primary endpoints: OS, safety

- Secondary endpoints: PFS, ORR
- Tertiary endpoints: HRQoL, plasma markers of angiogenesis, cell-free DNA



# Paclitaxel + Cisplatin or Topotecan ± Bevacizumab in Cervical Cancer (GOG 240): Mature OS Results



**\*Underpowered**

# Rationale for Immunotherapy in Cervical Cancer: Cervical Cancer Immunosuppression

## **Immunosuppression ↔ Invasion**

- HPV E6 and E7 induce cascade of cytokines and T-cell signaling (1,2)
- ↑ IL-6
  - Myelo/monocyte infiltration (3)
  - Activated fibroblast inflammation (4)
  - Disables antigen presentation (5)
- Tregs and MDSC infiltration (6)
- PD-L1 upregulation (7)
- All worse with hypoxia, TGF- $\beta$ , ROS

# Additional Molecular Testing in Cervical Cancer

- NCCN guidelines recommend testing for molecular biomarkers in patients with recurrent progressive or metastatic cervical cancer<sup>2</sup>
  - PD-L1 (CPS  $\geq$ 1%)
  - MMR/MSI
  - *NTRK* gene fusion testing
  - TMB testing through validated and/or FDA-approved assay

# KEYNOTE-826: Pembrolizumab + CT vs Placebo + CT in Cervical Cancer: Study Design

International, randomized, double-blind phase III trial

*Stratified by metastatic disease (yes vs no), PD-L1 CPS (<1 vs 1 to <10 vs ≥10), planned bevacizumab (yes vs no)*

Adults with persistent, recurrent, or metastatic cervical cancer; no prior systemic chemotherapy; ECOG PS 0-1 (N = 548)

Pembrolizumab\* 200 mg IV Q3W +  
CT<sup>†</sup> IV Q3W ±  
Bevacizumab 15 mg/kg IV Q3W

Placebo\* IV Q3W +  
CT<sup>†</sup> IV Q3W ±  
Bevacizumab 15 mg/kg IV Q3W

≤35 cycles pembrolizumab/placebo. <sup>†</sup>CT: ≤6 cycles: paclitaxel 175 mg/m<sup>2</sup> + (cisplatin 50 mg/m<sup>2</sup> or carboplatin AUC 5 mg/mL/min).

FDA Approval October 2021  
Pembrolizumab in combination with chemotherapy, with or without bevacizumab, for patients with persistent recurrent or metastatic cervical cancer whose tumors express PD-L1 (CPS ≥1), as determined by an FDA-approved test

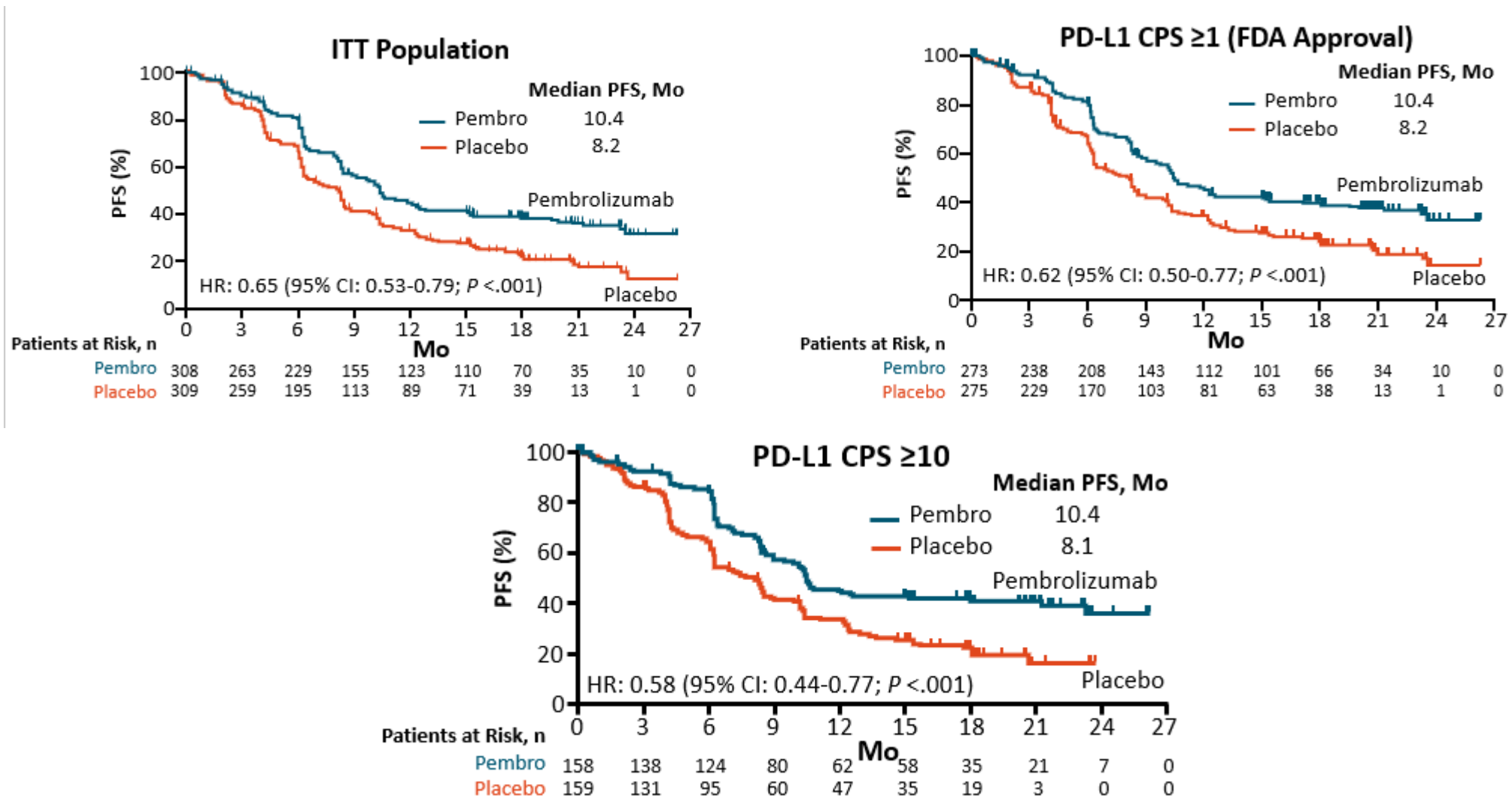
*Treatment until death, radiographic progression, unacceptable toxicity, or study completion*

Dual primary endpoints: OS and PFS

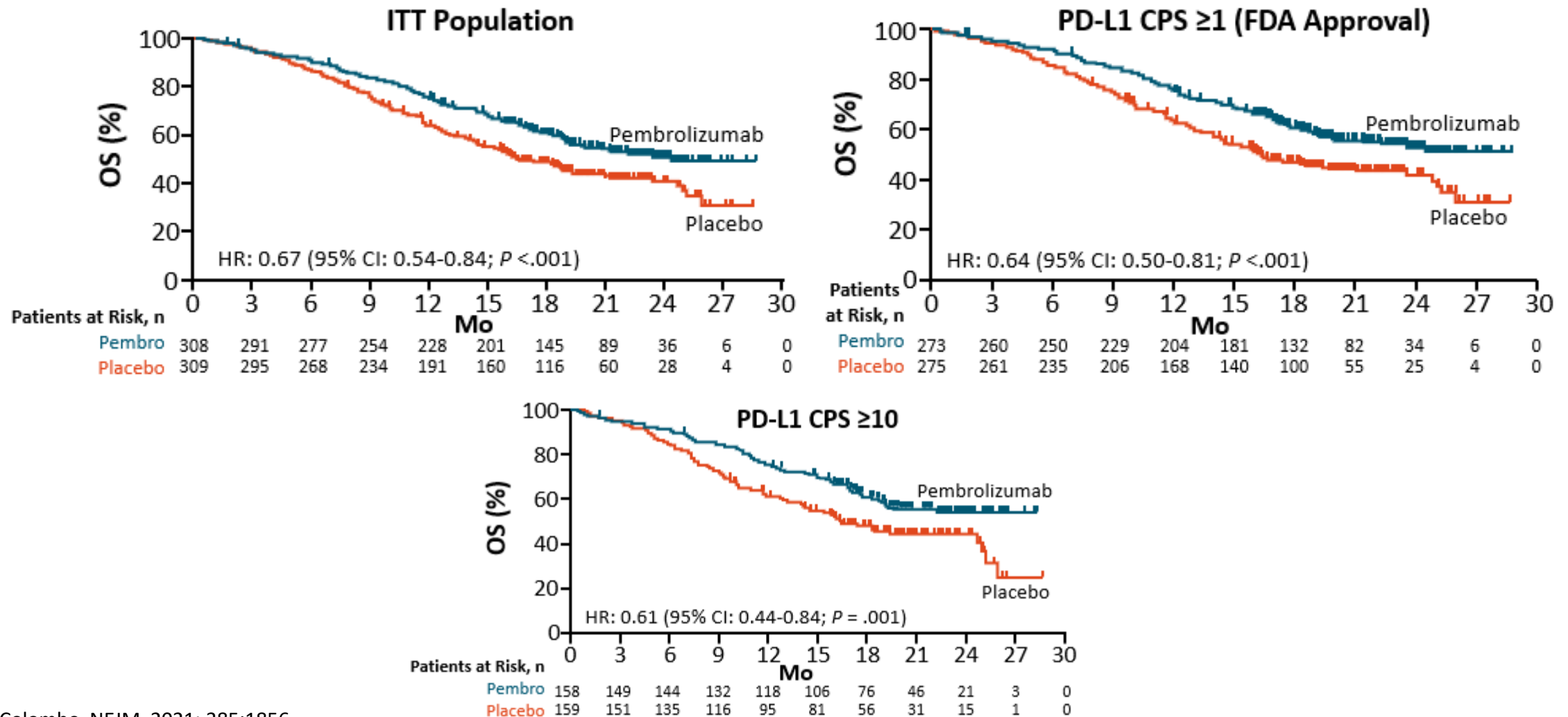
Secondary endpoints: ORR, DoR, 12-mo PFS, safety

Exploratory endpoints: PROs assessed per EuroQol EQ-5D-5L VAS

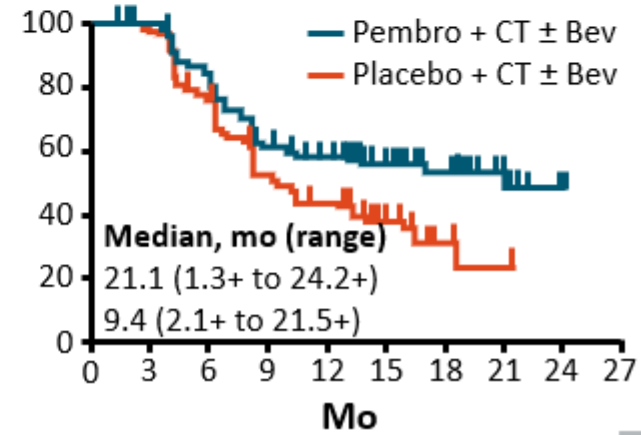
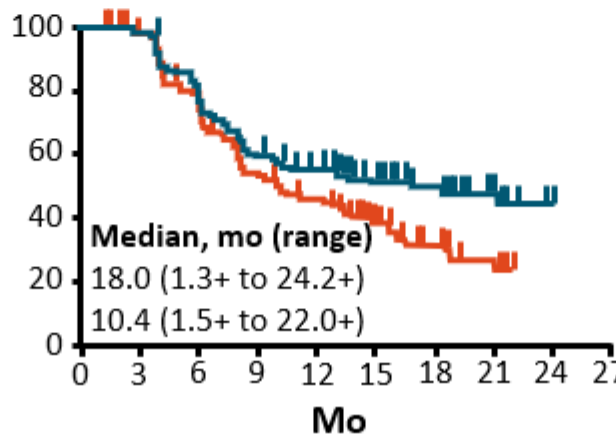
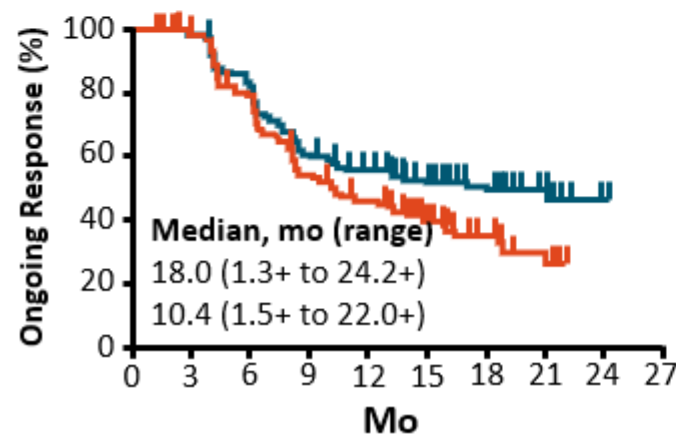
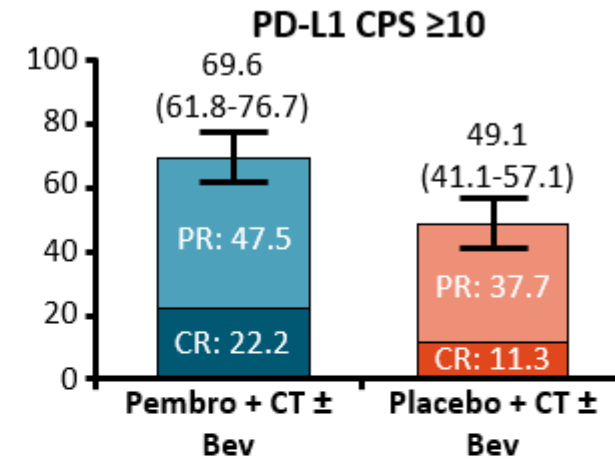
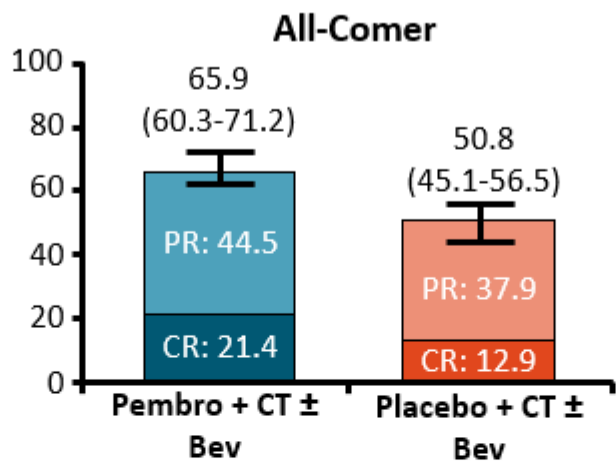
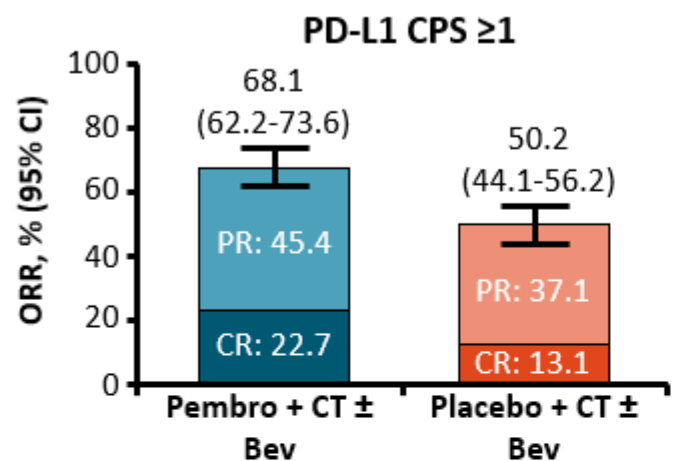
# KEYNOTE-826: PFS



# KEYNOTE-826: OS



# KEYNOTE-826: ORR and DoR



# Carcinoma Vagina

- Primary vaginal cancer is rare, representing only 1–2% of all gynecological cancers.
- Strongly associated with HPV
- SCC: most prevalent histology (80%), followed by adenocarcinomas (15%).
- Other factors that negatively affect prognosis include tumor size >4 cm, older age, and possibly tumor location outside of the upper third of the vagina.



- Two prognostic factors, high-risk HPV DNA and low MIB-1 index, have been found to have a favorable prognostic value
- In general, surgery has a limited role in treating vaginal cancer due to the proximity of the cancer to normal tissues such as the bladder, rectum, and urethra.
- The general recommendation is that surgery might be considered in small stage I tumors.
- Radiation therapy is the treatment of choice in most patients with vaginal cancer, especially in patients with advanced-stage disease

# CT RT

- CT RT (Cisplatin based) has been adopted in treating vaginal cancer
- Data extrapolated in patients with locally advanced cervical cancer.

THANK YOU

