Clinical breakthrough with immunotherapy Melanoma

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Past-Present-Future

- In the adjuvant treatment
- In the treatment of metastatic disease

Do we need adjuvant treatment?

Metastatic melanoma 2019

The majority of patients succumb to their disease

Nivolumab 3mg/kg (067)

- 48 mo OS 46% - Median OS 36.9 mo

Pembrolizumab (KeyNote 006 and 001)

48 mo OS 41% – Median OS 32.3 mo – 38.7 mo

60 mo OS 34% - 60 mo OS 41%Treatment naïve

BRAF and **MEK** inhibitor

- Median OS 25 mo – 3 yr OS 44% - 5 yr OS 28%

Adjuvant immunotherapy with interferon

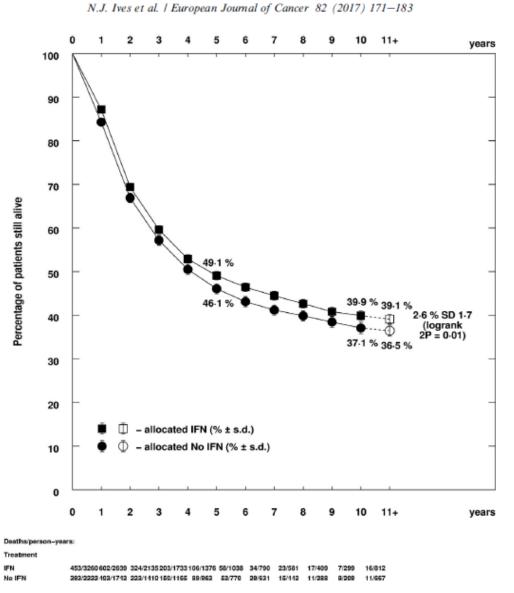
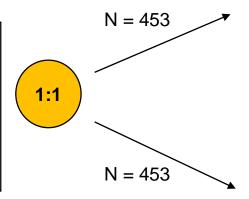


Fig. 4. Survival curve for overall survival (only includes data from trials providing IPD).

CA209-238: Study Design

Enrollment period: March 30, 2015 to November 30, 2015

Patients with high risk, completely resected stage IIIB/IIIC or stage IV Mel



NIVO 3 mg/kg IV Q2W and IPI placebo IV Q3W for 4 doses then Q12W from week 24

IPI 10 mg/kg IV
Q3W for 4 doses
then Q12W from week 24
and
NIVO placebo IV Q2W

Follow-up

Maximum treatment duration of 1 year

Stratified by:

1) Disease stage: IIIB/C vs. IV M1a-M1b vs. IV M1c

2) PD-L1 status at a 5% cutoff in tumor cells

IPI, ipilimumab; Mel, melanoma;

NIVO, nivolumab; QXW, every X weeks

Baseline Patient Characteristics

	NIVO (N = 453)	IPI (N = 453)
Median age (years)	56	54
Male (%)	57	59
Stage (%) — IIIB+IIIC	81	81
Macroscopic LN involvement (% of stage IIIB+IIIC)	60	58
Ulceration (% of stage IIIB+IIIC)	42	37
Stage IV (%)	18	19
M1c without brain metastases (% of Stage IV)	17	17
PD-L1 expression ≥5% (%)	34	34
BRAF mutation (%)	41	43
LDH ≤ULN (%)	91	91

- All 905 treated patients off treatment; median doses 24 (1-26) in the NIVO group and 4 (1-7) in the IPI group
- 397 patients completed 1 year treatment (61% of the NIVO group and 27% of the IPI group)
- Most of the patients had cutaneous melanoma (85%) while 4% had acral and 3% had mucosal melanoma

Safety Summary

	NIVO (n = 452)		IPI (n = 453)	
n (%)	Any grade	Grade 3-4	Any grade	Grade 3-4
Any AE	438 (97)	115 (25)	446 (98)	250 (55)
Treatment-related AE	385 (85)	65 (14)	434 (96)	208 (46)
Any AE leading to discontinuation	44 (10)	21 (5)	193 (43)	140 (31)
Treatment-related AE leading to discontinuation	35 (8)	16 (4)	189 (42)	136 (30)

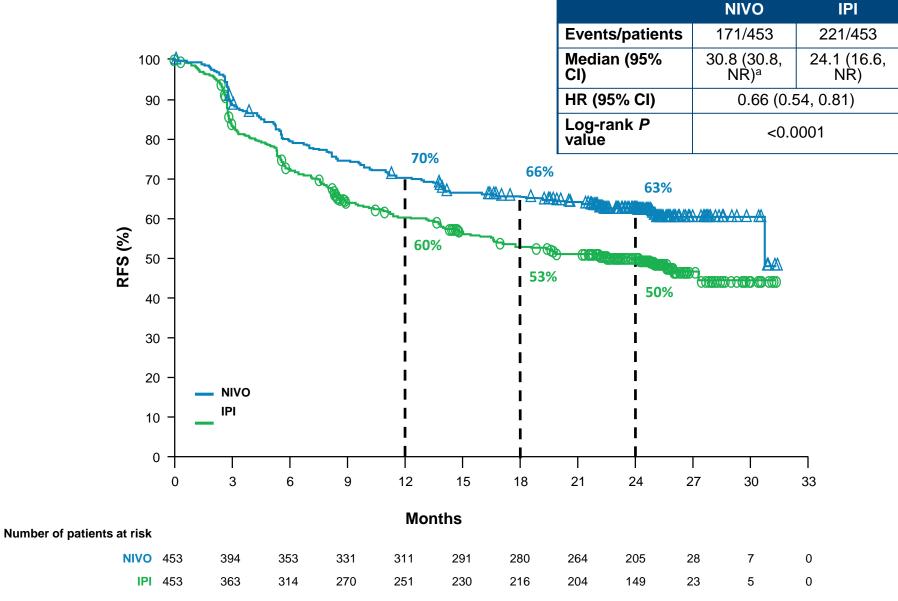
- There were no treatment-related deaths in the NIVO group
- There were 2 (0.4%) treatment-related deaths in the IPI group (marrow aplasia and colitis), both >100 days after the last dose

Treatment-related Select Adverse Events

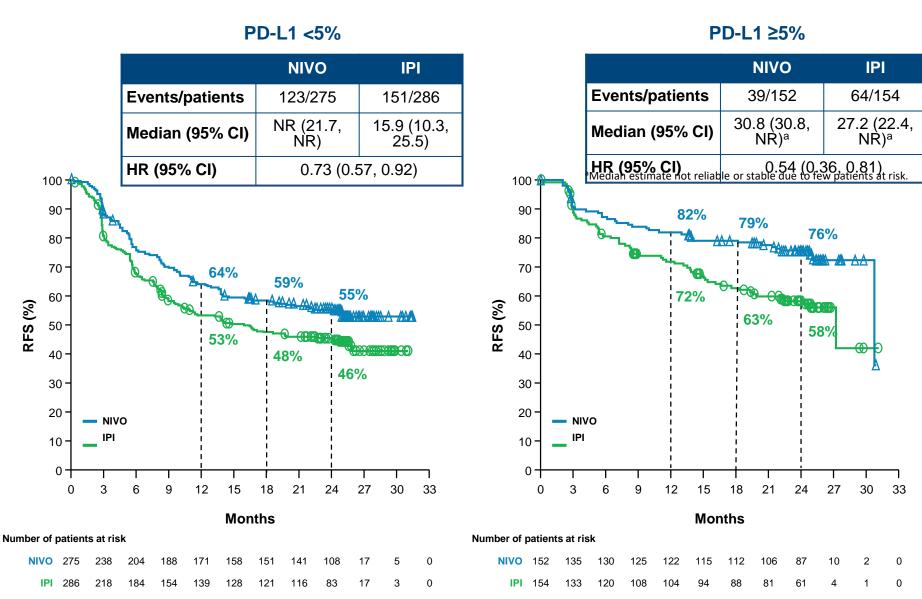
	NIVO (NIVO (n = 452)		= 453)
n (%)	Any grade	Grade 3-4	Any grade	Grade 3-4
Skin	201 (44.5)	5 (1.1)	271 (59.8)	27 (6.0)
Gastrointestinal	114 (25.2)	9 (2.0)	219 (48.3)	76 (16.8)
Hepatic	41 (9.1)	8 (1.8)	96 (21.2)	49 (10.8)
Pulmonary	6 (1.3)	0	11 (2.4)	4 (0.9)
Renal	6 (1.3)	0	7 (1.5)	0
Hypersensitivity/infusion reaction	11 (2.4)	1 (0.2)	9 (2.0)	0
Endocrine				
Adrenal disorder	6 (1.3)	2 (0.4)	13 (2.9)	4 (0.9)
Diabetes	2 (0.4)	1 (0.2)	1 (0.2)	0
Pituitary disorder	8 (1.8)	2 (0.4)	56 (12.4)	13 (2.9)
Thyroid disorder	92 (20.4)	3 (0.7)	57 (12.6)	4 (0.9)

 Median time to onset of treatment-related select AEs was generally shorter for patients receiving IPI (range 2.6-10 weeks) than for NIVO (range 3.3-14.2 weeks)

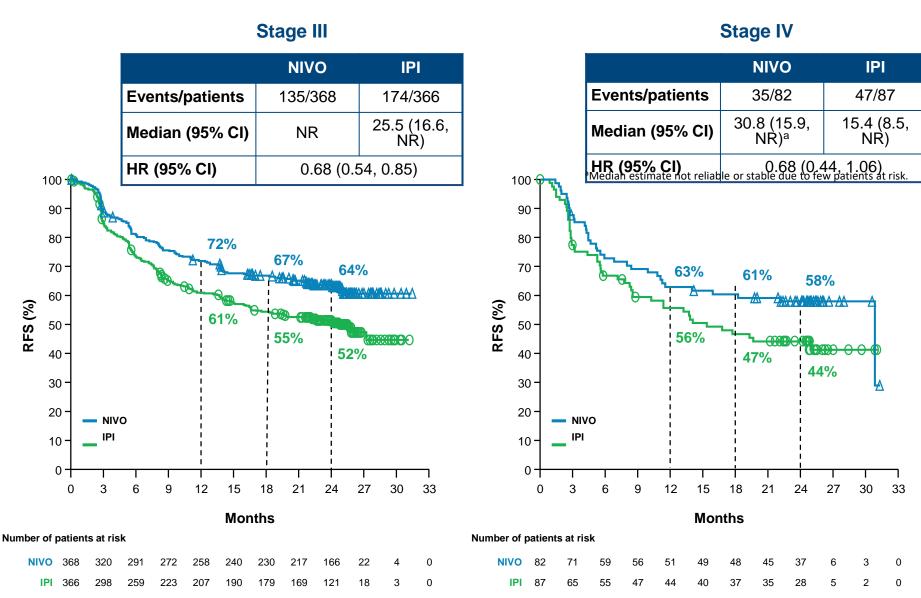
Primary Endpoint: RFS in All Patients



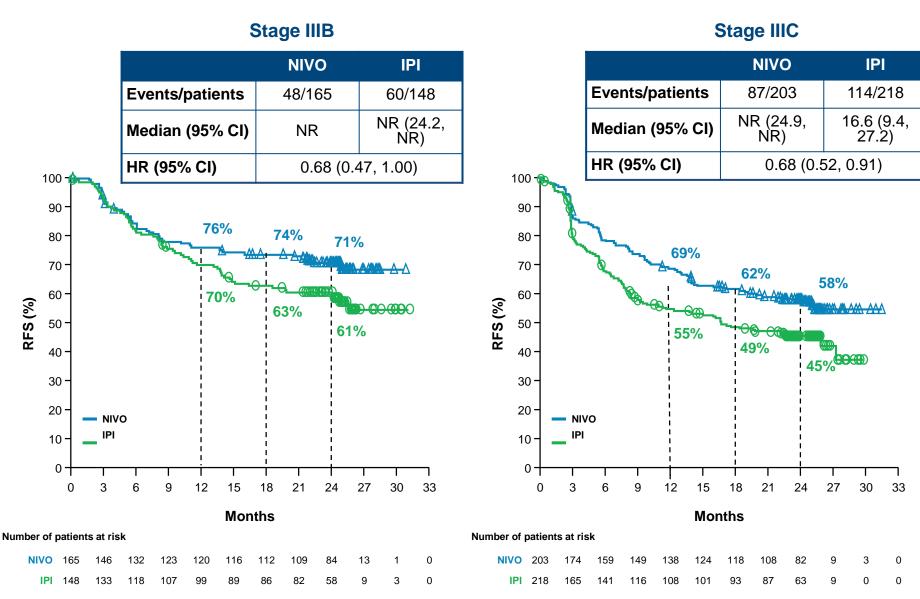
Subgroup Analysis of RFS: 5% PD-L1 Expression Level



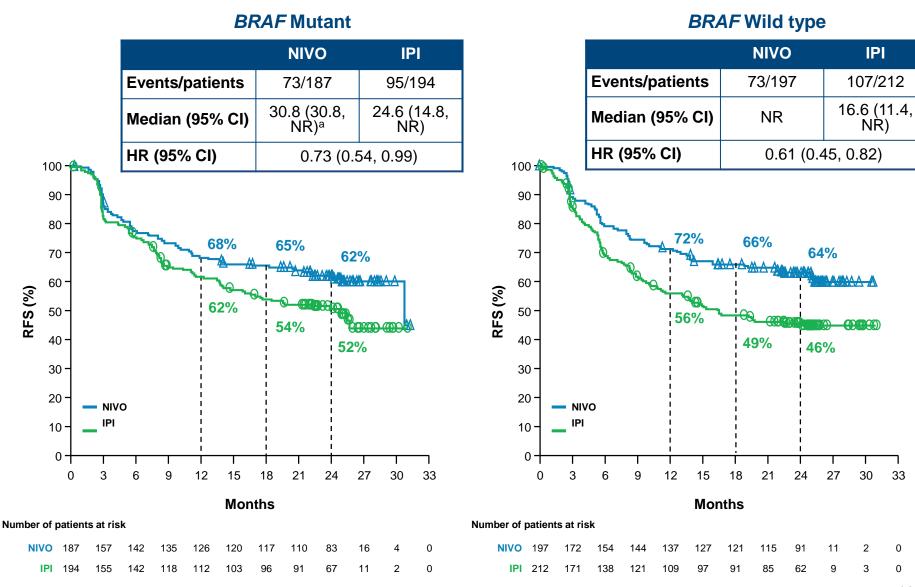
Subgroup Analysis of RFS: Disease Stage III and IV



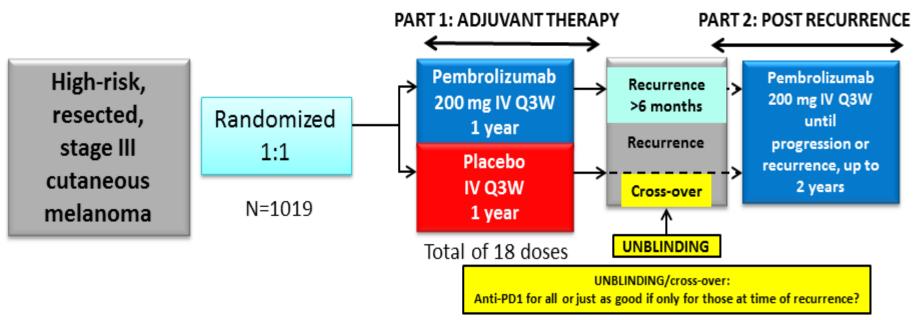
Subgroup Analysis of RFS: Disease Stage IIIB and Stage IIIC



Subgroup Analysis of RFS: BRAF Mutation Status



EORTC 1325/KEYNOTE-54: Study Design



Stratification factors:

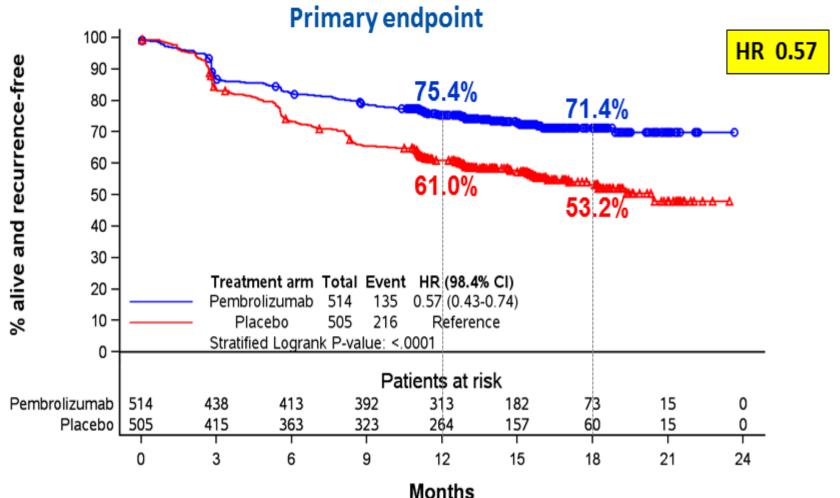
- ✓ Stage: IIIA (>1 mm metastasis) vs. IIIB vs. IIIC 1-3 positive lymph nodes vs. IIIC ≥4 positive lymph nodes
- ✓ Region: North America, European countries, Australia/New Zealand, other countries

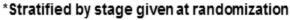
Primary Endpoints:

- RFS (per investigator) in overall population, and RFS in patients with PD-L1-positive tumors
 Secondary Endpoints:
- . DMFS and OS in all patients, and in patients with PD-L1-positive tumors; Safety, Health-related quality of life



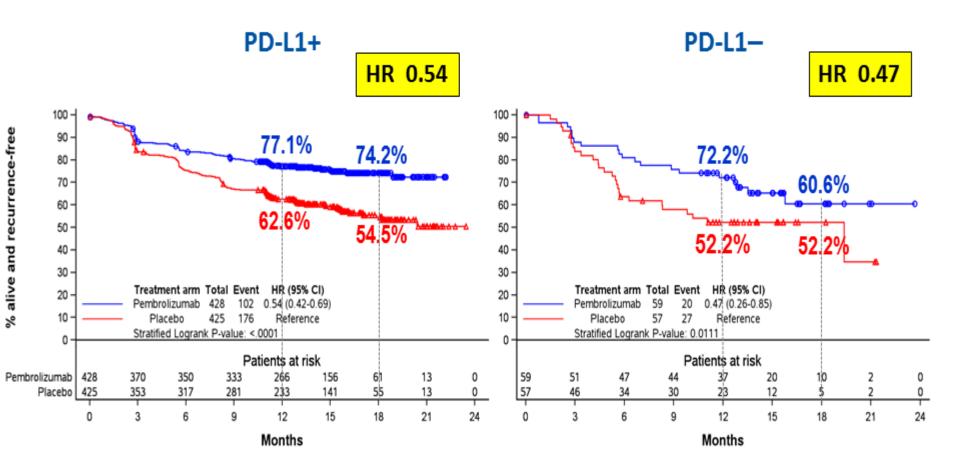
Recurrence-Free Survival in the ITT Population







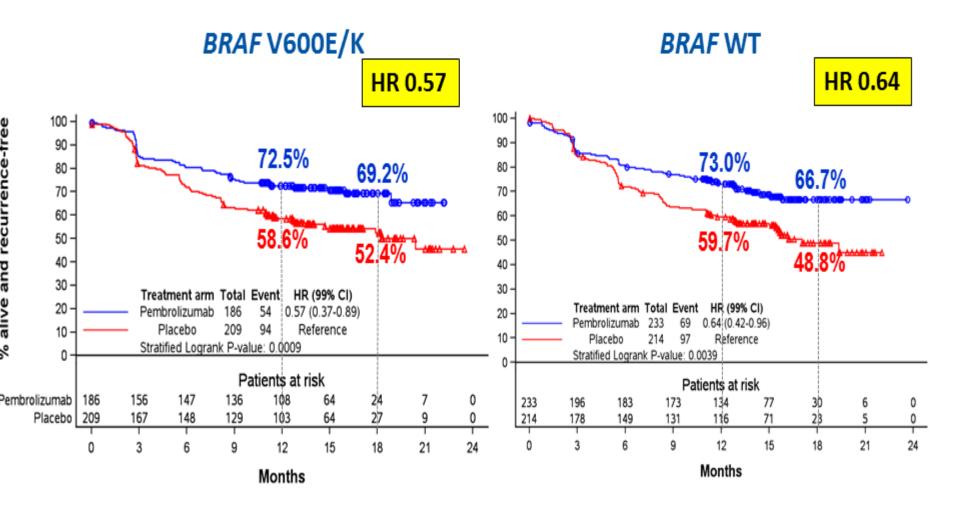
Recurrence-Free Survival







Recurrence-Free Survival



*Stratified by stage given at randomization

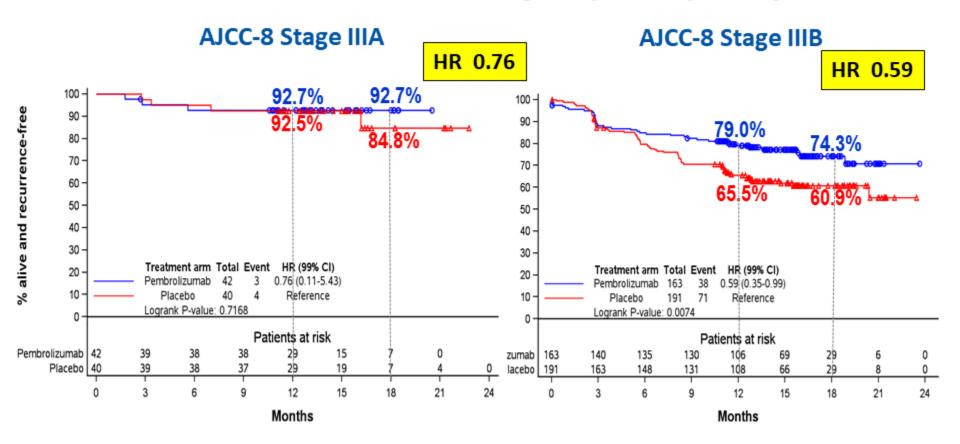


AJCC-7 vs AJCC-8

	AJCC-8 Stage					
AJCC-7 Stage	IIIA	IIIB	IIIC	IIID	Unknown	Total
IIIA	68	58	23	0	4	153 (15.0%)
IIIB	14	247	192	0	19	472 (46.3%)
IIIC	0	49	291	38	16	394 (38.6%)
Total (100%)	82 (8%)	354 (34.7%)	506 (49.6%)	38 (3.7%)	39 (3.8%)	1019 (100%)

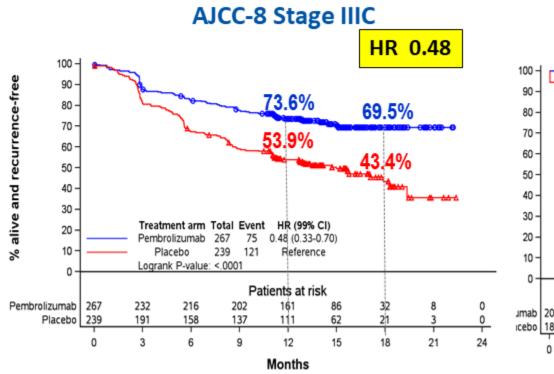


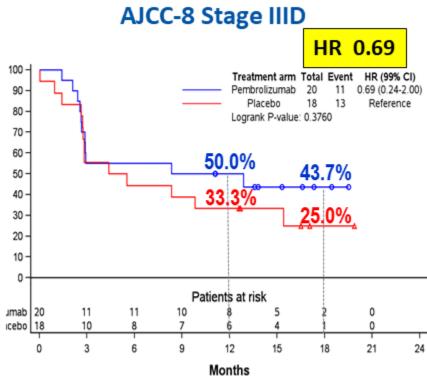
Recurrence-Free Survival: subgroup analysis by AJCC-8





Recurrence-Free Survival: subgroup analysis by AJCC-8 (cont)





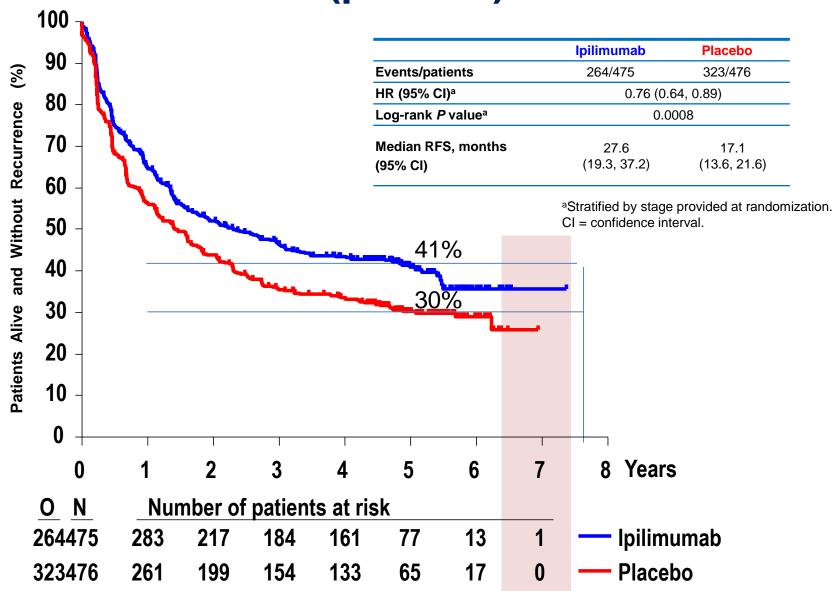


Ipilimumab in the adjuvant setting

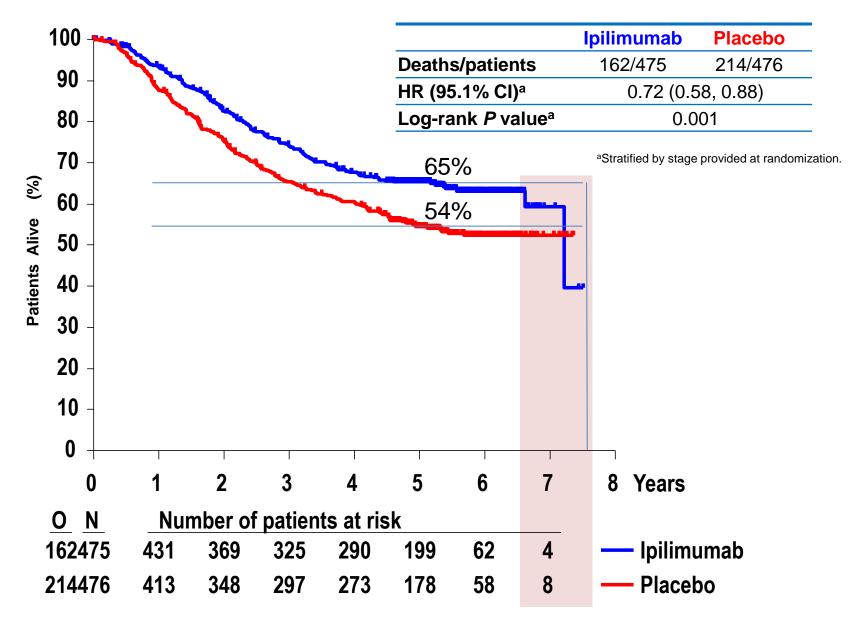
28th of October, 2015: FDA approves YERVOY for stage III melanoma

Ipilimumab had shown survival benefit in stage IV melanoma

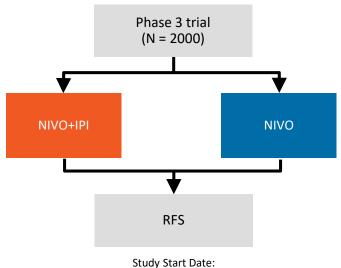
RFS (per IRC)



OS



Study of Nivolumab Combined With Ipilimumab Compared With Nivolumab Alone After Complete Surgical Removal of Stage IIIB/C/D or IV Melanoma (CheckMate 915/CA209-915/NCT03068455)



April 2017

Estimated Study Completion Date: February 2023

Estimated Primary Completion Date: November 2020

Purpose

 To determine if NIVO+IPI is more effective than NIVO alone in delaying recurrence in patients with complete resection of stage IIIB/C/D or stage IV melanoma

Primary endpoint

RFS measured by time, approximately 30 months

Secondary endpoints

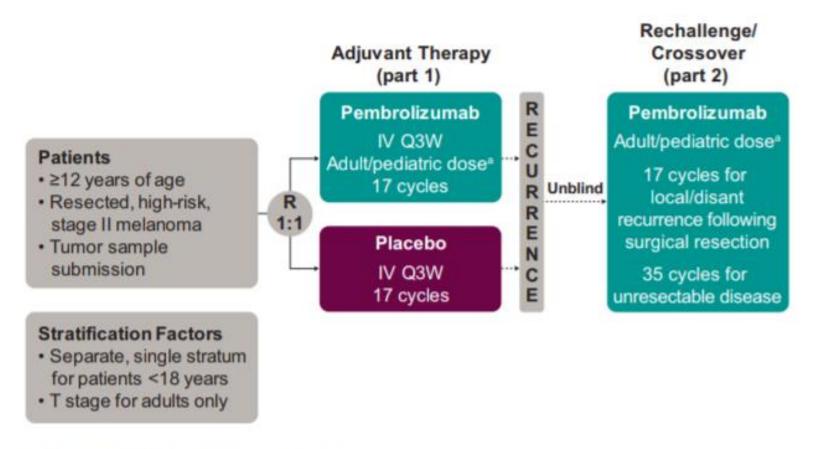
- OS measured by time, up to 5 years
- PD-L1 expression measured by immunoassay, approximately 3 years

Study-specific eligibility criteria

- 12 years and older
- Completely resected stage IIIB/C/D or IV melanoma within 12 weeks of study
- Patients must be active or, if limited, be able to carry out daily activities
- No prior anticancer treatment for melanoma (except surgery and/or adjuvant radiation therapy after CNS lesion resection)
- No history of uveal melanoma
- No active or known autoimmune disease

CNS = central nervous system; IPI = ipilimumab; IV = intravenous; NIVO = nivolumab; OS = overall survival; PD-L1 = programmed death ligand-1; RFS = recurrence-free survival www.clinicaltrials.gov. Accessed June 2018.

Adjuvant Therapy With Pembrolizumab Versus Placebo in Resected High-Risk Stage II Melanoma: The Phase 3 KEYNOTE-716 Study



IV, intravenous; Q3W, every 3 weeks; R, randomized.

Adult dose, 200 mg Q3W; pediatric dose, 2 mg/kg Q3W (to a maximum of 200 mg Q3W).

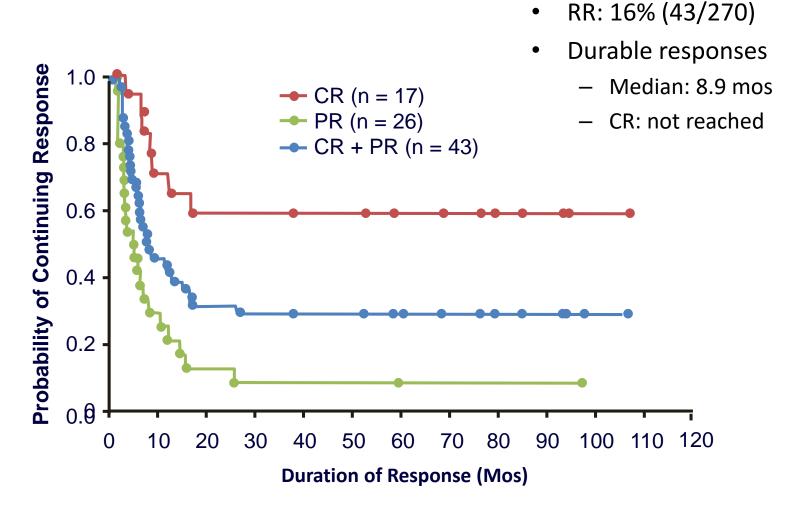
Unanswered questions

- Direct comparison of ipilimumab with high dose interferon — E1609
- Direct comparison of pembrolizumab with HD IFN or Ipilimumab Induction followed by maintenance therapy
- Mature Survival Data
- Low risk Stage IIIA

April 2019 Metastatic Melanoma What do we know?

- 5yr survival data with anti-PD1 from phase I trials
- 4yr survival data with anti-PD1 from phase III trials
- First report of negative results in melanoma trial
- The plateau in survival curves persists

High-Dose IL-2 Therapy

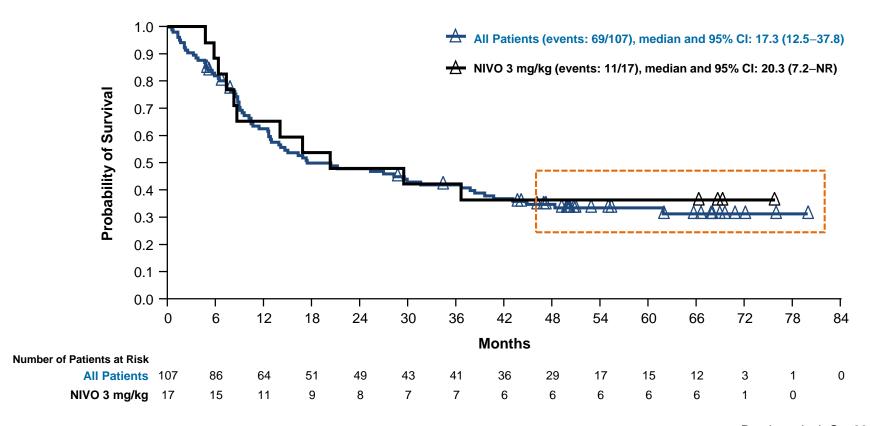


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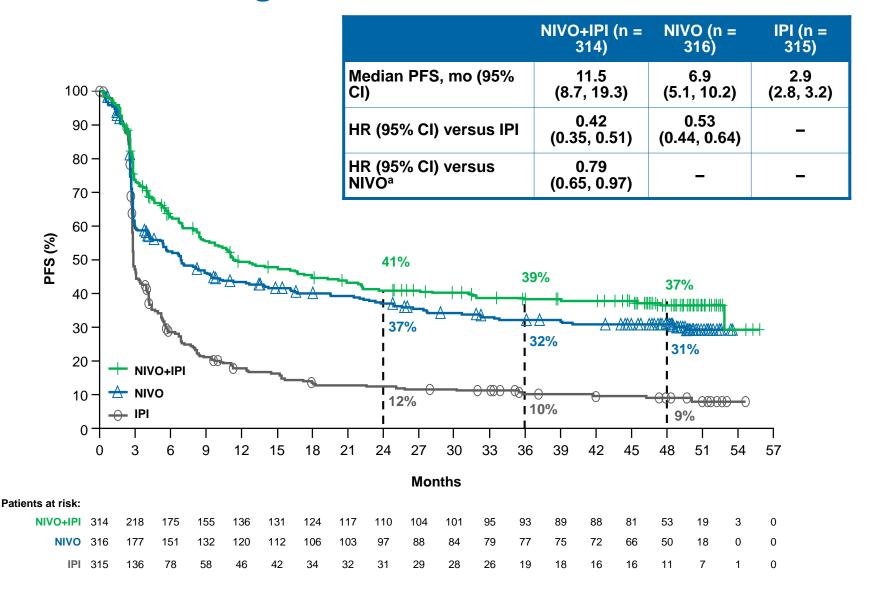
Primary Analysis of Pooled OS Data: 1861 Patients



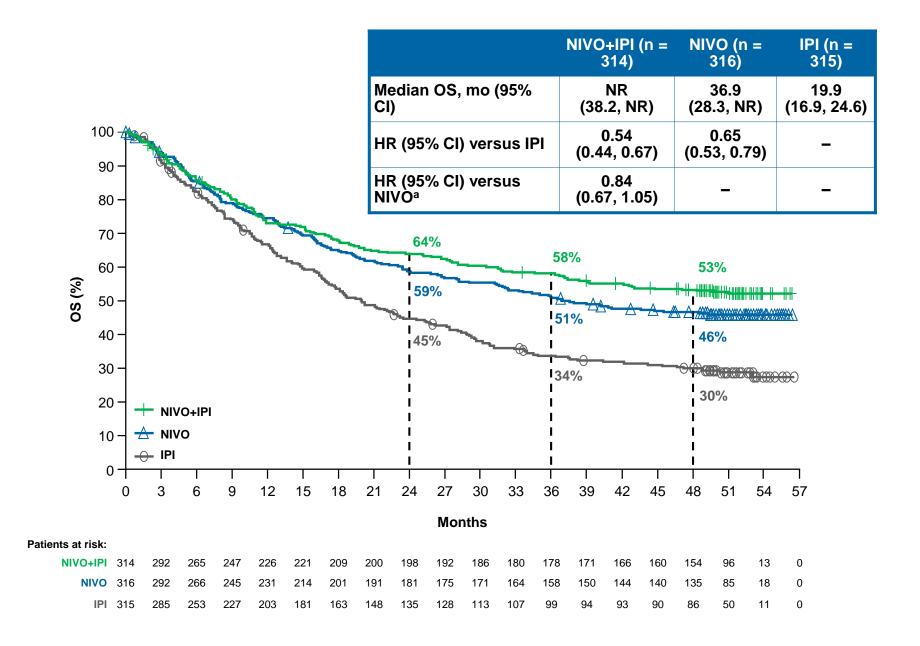
Overall Survival at 5 Years of Follow-up Nivolumab



Progression-Free Survival



Overall Survival



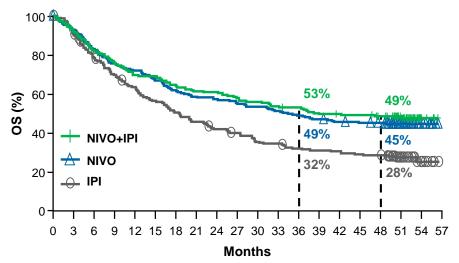
OS in Patients With BRAF Wild-type and Mutant Tumors

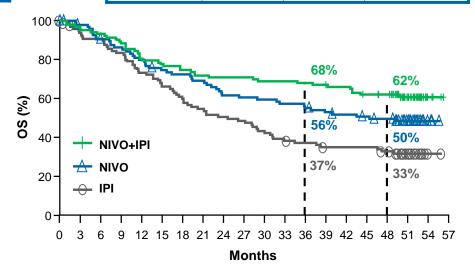
BRAF Wild-type

	NIVO+IPI	NIVO	IPI
Median, mo	39.1	34.4	18.5
(95% CI)	(27.5, NR)	(24.1, NR)	(14.1, 22.7)
HR (95% CI)	0.60	0.65	-
versus IPI	(0.47, 0.77)	(0.51, 0.83)	
HR (95% CI) versus NIVO ^a	0.92 (0.71, 1.20)	_	-

BRAF Mutant

	NIVO+IPI	NIVO	IPI
Median, mo	NR	45.5	24.6
(95% CI)		(26.4, NR)	(17.9, 31.0)
HR (95% CI)	0.45	0.64	-
versus IPI	(0.30, 0.67)	(0.44, 0.93)	
HR (95% CI) versus NIVOª	0.70 (0.46, 1.07)	_	-





Patients at risk:

NIVO+IPI 211 193 169 156 143 141 132 126 125 119 115 109 108 102 99 98 94 54 6

NIVO 218 199 180 164 156 145 134 127 124 119 116 111 106 102 98 96 93 56 12

IPI 215 194 165 146 132 117 105 95 86 81 72 70 64 62 61 58 57 33 9

Patients at risk:

VO+IPI 103 99 96 91 83 80 77 74 73 73 71 71 70 69 67 62 60 42 7

NIVO 98 93 86 81 75 69 67 64 57 56 55 53 52 48 46 44 42 29 6

IPI 100 91 88 81 71 64 58 53 49 47 41 37 35 32 32 32 29 17 2

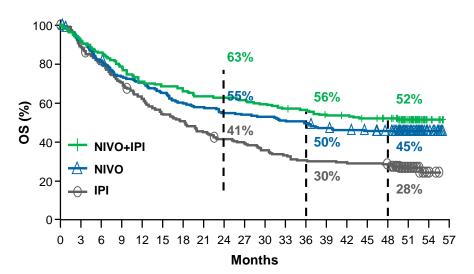
OS by Tumor PD-L1 Expression, 5% Cutoff

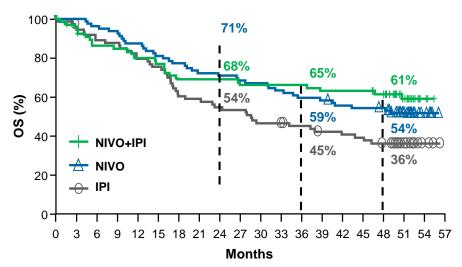
PD-L1 Expression Level <5%

PD-L1 Expression Level ≥5%

	NIVO+IPI	NIVO	IPI
Median, mo	NR	35.9	18.4
(95% CI)	(32.7, NR)	(23.1, NR)	(13.7, 22.5)
HR (95% CI)	0.54	0.64	1
versus IPI	(0.42, 0.69)	(0.50, 0.82)	
HR (95% CI) versus NIVO ^a	0.83 (0.64, 1.09)	_	-

	NIVO+IPI	NIVO	IPI
Median, mo	NR	NR	28.9
(95% CI)	(39.1, NR)	(33.6, NR)	(18.1, 44.2)
HR (95% CI)	0.56	0.65	-
versus IPI	(0.35, 0.90)	(0.42, 0.99)	
HR (95% CI) versus NIVO ^a	0.86 (0.53, 1.41)	-	-





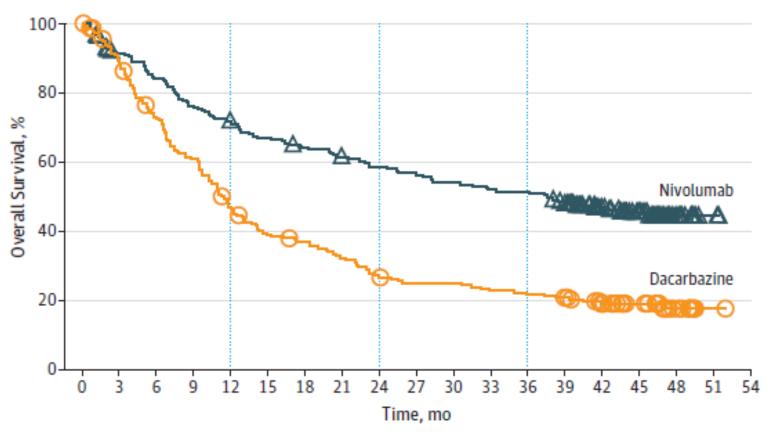
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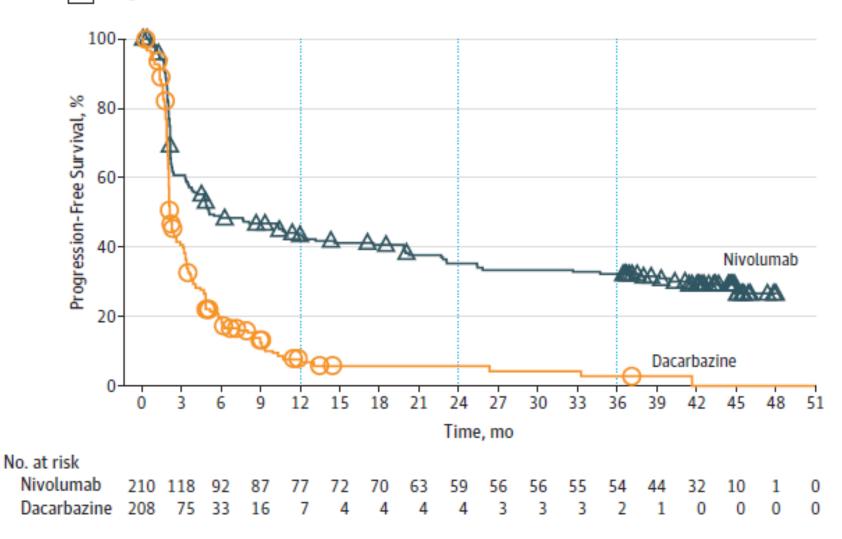
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A Overall survival



No. at risk
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Dacarbazine 208 179 146 122 92 76 71 62 51 47 47 43 41 38 26 19 7 1

B Progression-free survival

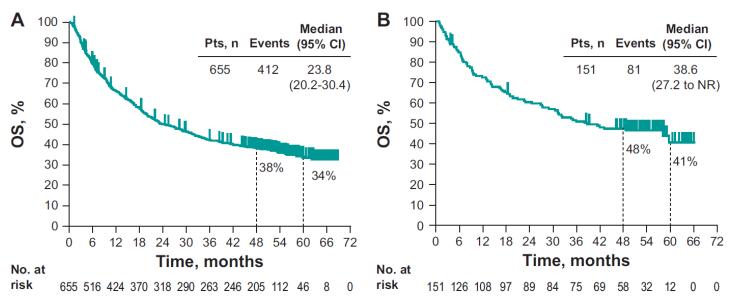


5-year survival outcomes in patients (pts) with advanced melanoma treated with pembrolizumab (pembro) in KEYNOTE-001.

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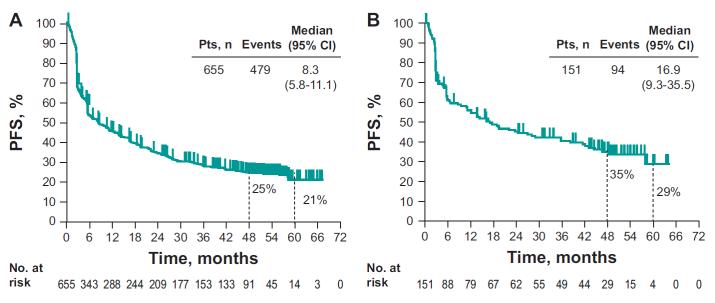
Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier Estimate of OS^a in the Total Population (A) and in Treatment-Naive Patients (B)



NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; pts, patients. aDerived by the product limit (Kaplan-Meier) method of censored data.

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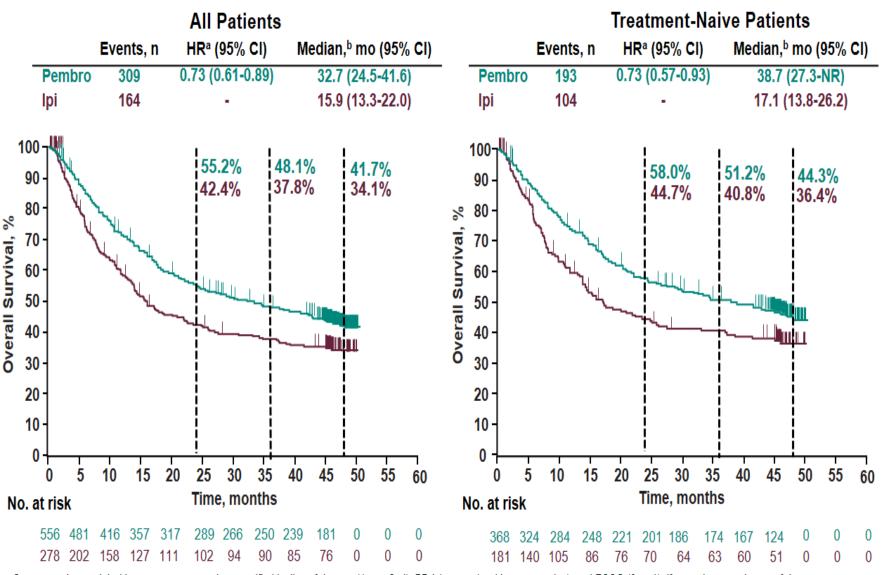
Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier Estimate of PFS per irRC by Investigator Assessment in the Total Population (A) and in Treatment-Naive Patients (B)



irRC, immune-related response criteria; PFS, progression-free survival; pts, patients. Derived by the product limit (Kaplan-Meier) method of censored data.

Overall Survival

Median Follow-Up 45.9 (0.3-50.0) Months



Progression-Free Survivala Median Follow-Up 45.9 (0.3-50.0) Months

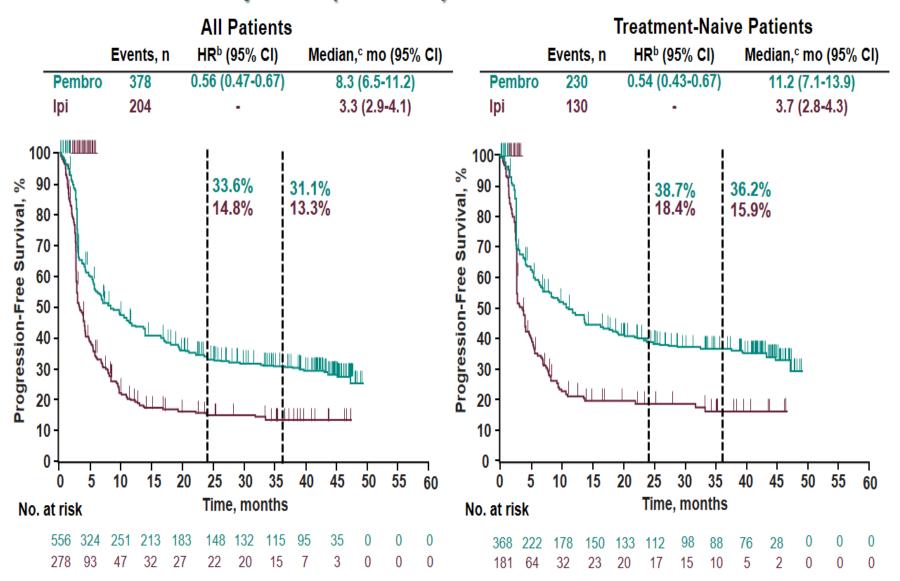
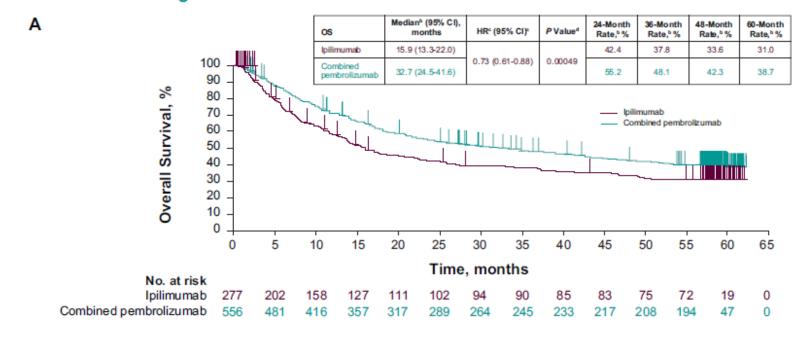


Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier Estimates of Overall Survival (A) in the Total Study Population and (B) in Patients Receiving First-Line Treatment^a



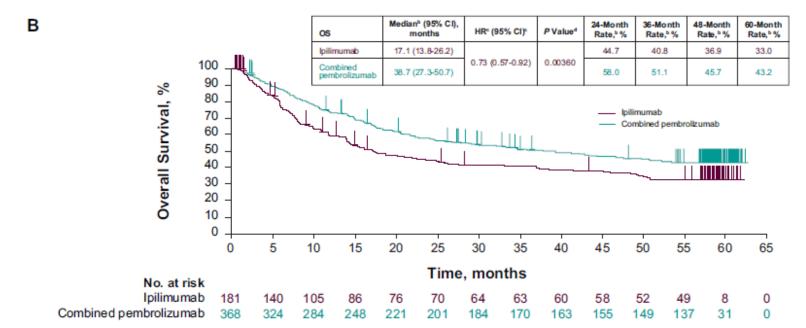
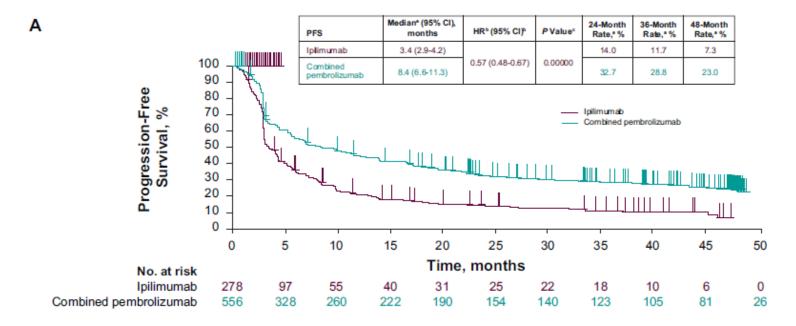
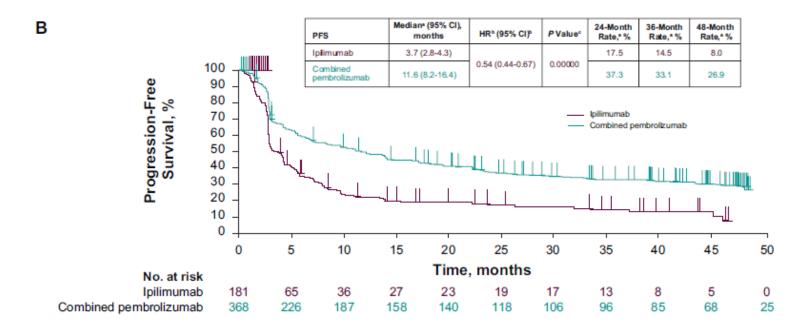
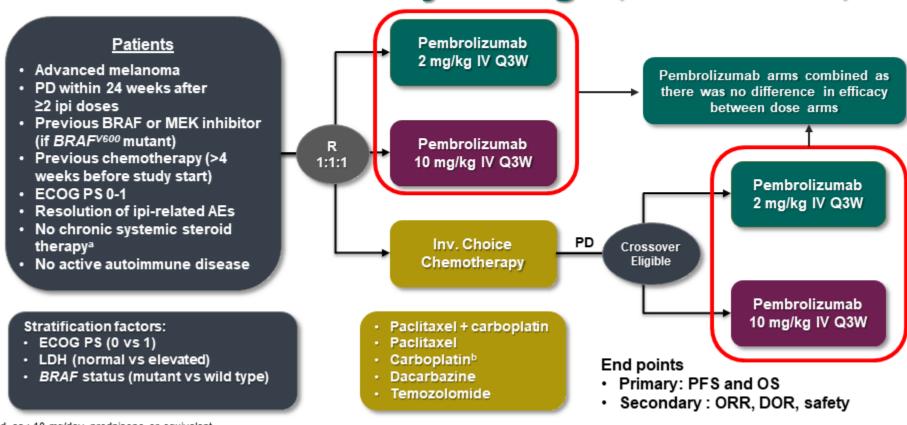


Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier Estimates of PFS per irRC by Investigator Review in (A) the Total Study Population and (B) Patients Receiving First-Line Treatment





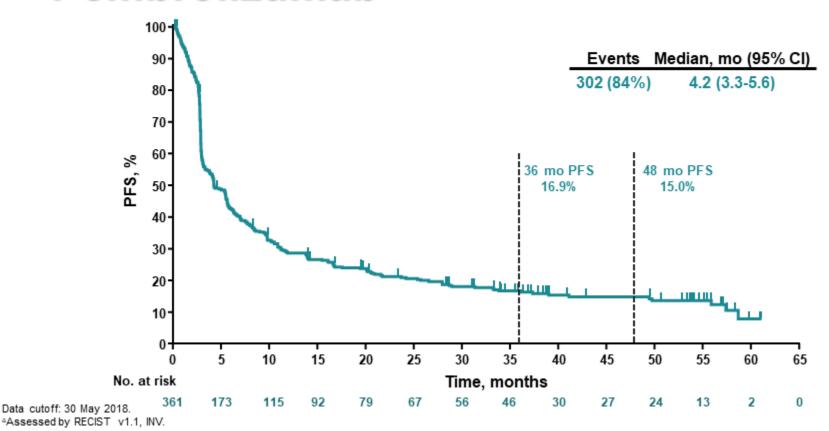
KEYNOTE-002 Study Design (NCT01704287)



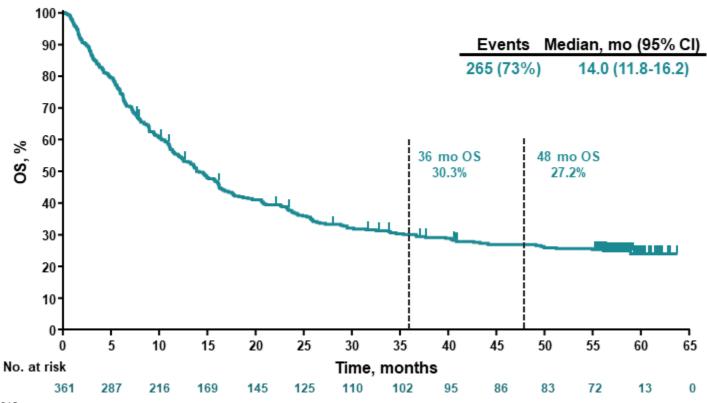
aDefined as >10 mg/day prednisone or equivalent.

^bCarboplatin monotherapy removed early in study by a protocol amendment.

PFS^a in Patients Randomized to Pembrolizumab

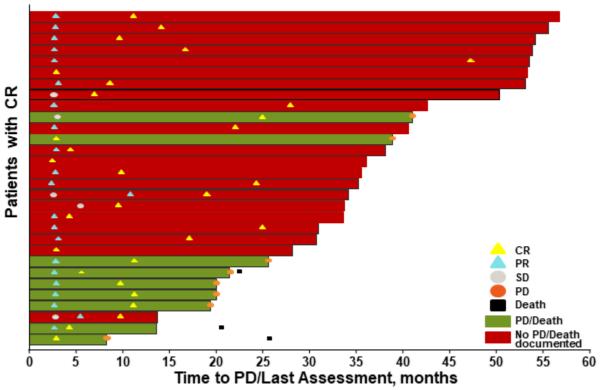


OS in Patients Randomized to Pembrolizumab



Data cutoff: 30 May 2018.

Characteristics of Complete Response (RECIST v1.1, INV) to Pembrolizumab



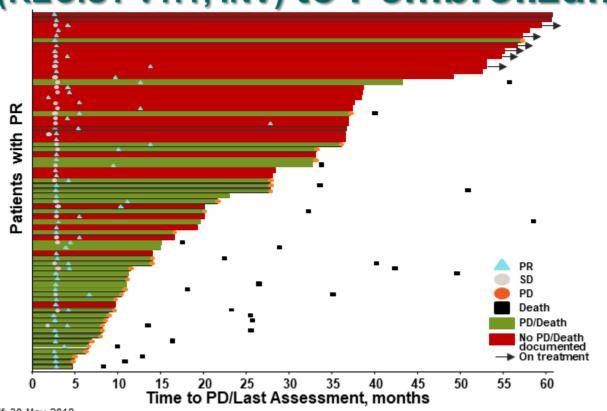
30 patients had best response of CR

- Median time to CR: 2.8 mo (range, 2.4-24.9)
- Median time from SD to CR:
 6.9 mo (range, 3.9-21.9) in
 5 patients
- Median time from PR to CR:
 8.2 mo (1.4-44.4) in 22 patients
- Median duration of CR: not reached (range, 5.5 to 53.9+)

Data cutoff: 30 May 2018.

Of 22 patients without progression, 16 discontinued because of an AE (n = 3) or patient/physician decision (n = 13)...

Characteristics of Partial Response (RECIST v1.1, INV) to Pembrolizumab



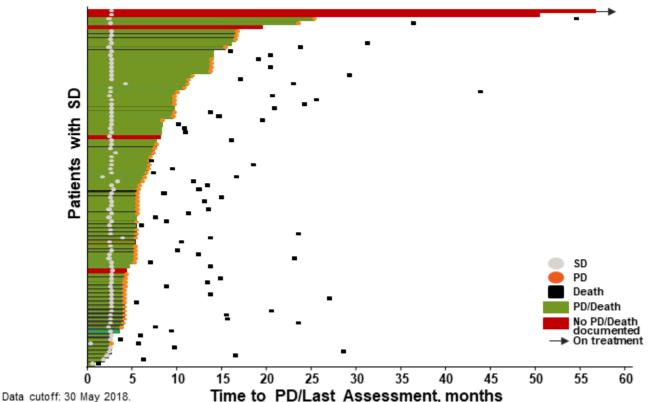
69 patients had best response of PR

- Median time to PR: 2.9 mo (range, 1.9-27.9)
- Median time from SD to PR:
 2.7 mo (range, 0.9-25.2) in 28 patients
- Median duration of PR: 54.7 mo (range, 1.9+ to 58.2+)

Data cutoff: 30 May 2018.

Of 40 patients without progression, 31 discontinued because of an AE (n = 15) or physician/patient decision (n = 16)...

Characteristics of Stable Disease to Pembrolizumab



88 patients had best response of SD

Median duration of SD:
7.8 mo (range, 0.8+ to 56.7+)

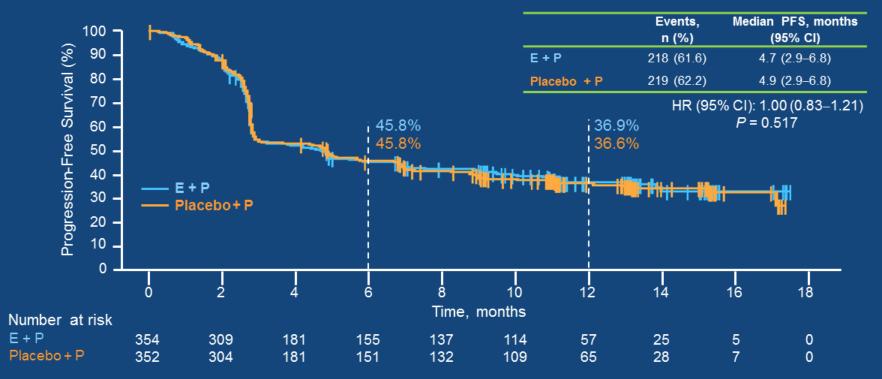
Duration of SD is from randomization to progression. Of 25 patients without progression, 24 discontinued because of an AE (n = 11) or patient/physician decision (n = 13).

Epacadostat Plus Pembrolizumab Versus Pembrolizumab Alone in Patients With Unresectable or Metastatic Melanoma: Results of the Phase 3 ECHO-301/KEYNOTE-252 Study

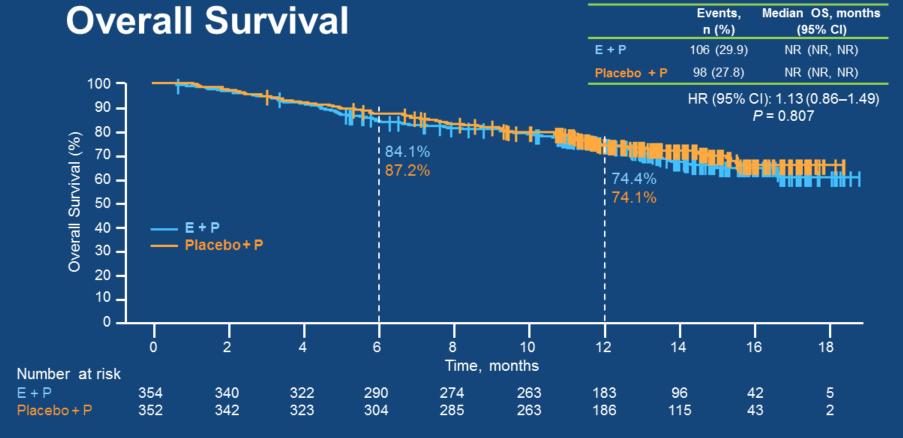
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Progression-Free Survival (RECIST v1.1, BICR)



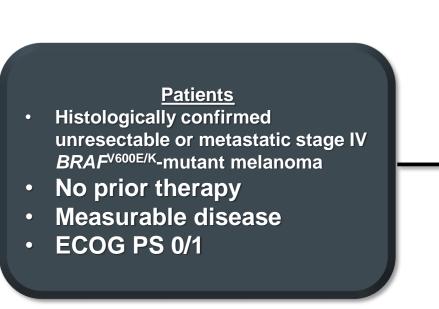
BICR, blinded independent central review; CI, confidence interval; E, epacadostat; HR, hazard ratio; P, pembrolizumab; PFS, progression-free survival; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors. PFS defined as time from randomization to disease progression or death, whichever occurred first.



Cl, confidence interval; E, epacadostat; HR, hazard ratio; NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; P, pembrolizumab.

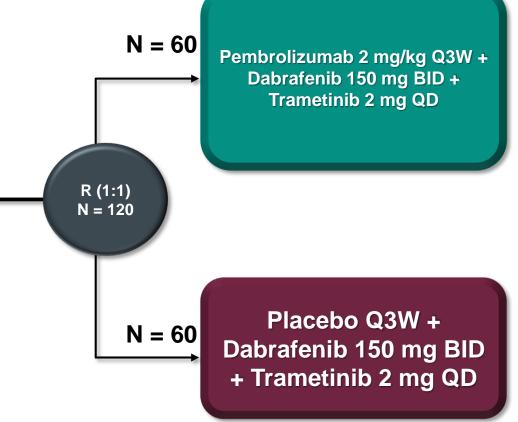


KEYNOTE-022 Part 3 Study Design (NCT02130466)



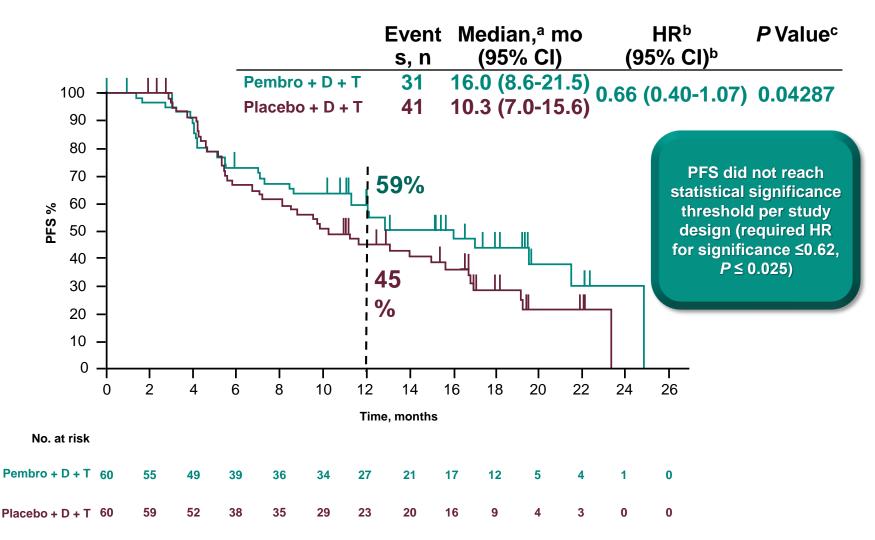
Stratification factors^a

- ECOG PS (0 vs 1)
- LDH level (>1.1 × ULN vs ≤1.1 × ULN)



- Primary end point: PFS
- Secondary end points: ORR, duration of response, and OS
- Data cutoff: Feb 15, 2018

Progression-Free Survival



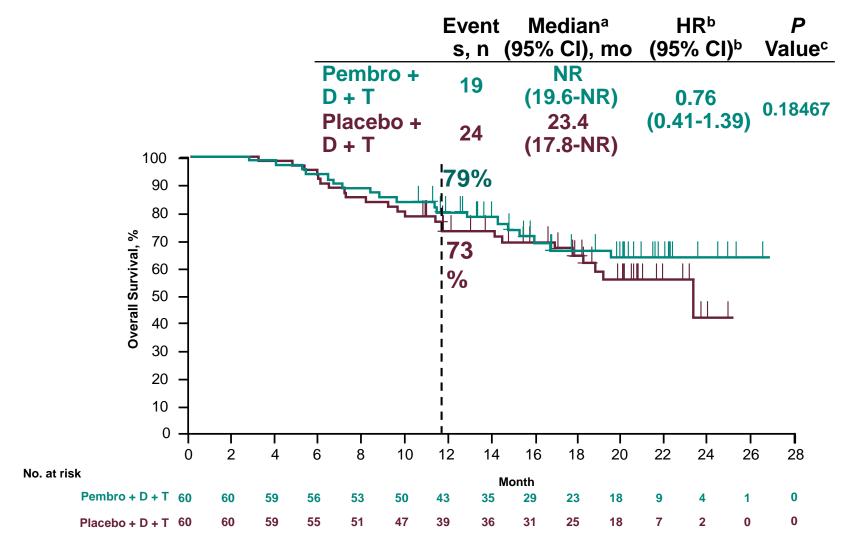
^aBased on Kaplan-Meier estimate of PFS, per investigator assessment.

Data cutoff: Feb 15, 2018.

^bBased on Cox regression model with treatment as a covariate stratified by ECOG PS (0 vs 1) and LDH (LDH >1.1 × ULN vs =1.1 × ULN); owing to the small number of patients enrolled in the ECOG PS 1 and LDH ≤1.1 × ULN strata, these strata were combined.

^cOne-sided *P* value based on stratified log-rank test.

Overall Survival



^aBased on Kaplan-Meier estimate of overall survival.

Based on Cox regression model with treatment as a covariate stratified by ECOG PS (0 vs 1) and LDH (>1.1 × ULN vs ≤1.1 × ULN; owing to the small number of patients enrolled in the ECOG PS 1 and LDH ≤1.1 × ULN strata, these strata were combined.

^cP values are provided for descriptive purposes only, no multiplicity adjustment is made. One-sided P value based on stratified log-rank test. Data cutoff: Feb 15, 2018.

MASTERKEY-265 Phase 3 Study Schema

- Unresectable stage IIIB to IV melanoma
- Injectable lesions
- Treatment naive (if BRAF V600 mutant, prior treatment with BRAF+/-MEK inhibitors is allowed)
- No clinically active brain mets
- No active herpetic skin lesions or prior complications from herpetic infection

•Primary endpoints: PFS* and OS

T-VEC N = 330• Up to 4 mL per treatment • 1st dose 106 PFU/mL, then after 3 weeks, 108 PFU/mL Q2W x 4, then Q3W **T-VEC Intralesional** Pembrolizumab 200mg IV Q3W 0 LL 0 Placebo Intralesional W Pembrolizumab 200mg IV Q3W U N = 330

Treatment until whichever occurs first:

- CR
- Progressive disease (PD) per irRC-RECIST
- Intolerance
- All injectable tumors disappear (T-VEC/Placebo only)
- 2 years of treatment

Q12W for 5 years from date of last patient randomized

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30 (+7) days

after end of

treatment

T-VEC: talimogene laherparepvec; irRC-RECIST: immune-related response criteria-response evaluation criteria in solid tumors; IV: intravenous; PFU: plaque-forming unit; Q2W: every 2 weeks; Q3W: every 3 weeks; Q12W: every 12 weeks; AEs: adverse events; OS: overall survival; PFS: progression-free survival

^{*}Centrally reviewed using modified RECIST 1.1

Unanswered Questions

- Metastatic melanoma: Duration of treatment with Anti-PD1
- Monotherapy vs combination therapy
- Long term 5yr follow up data
- Results from ongoing phase-3 trials
- Targeted therapy vs immunotherapy

clinical practice guidelines

Cutaneous melanoma: ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment and follow-up[†]

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Treatment of systemic metastatic disease (stage IV)

- Patients with metastatic melanoma should have metastasis
 (preferably) or the primary tumour screened for detection of BRAF-V600-mutation. Treatment options for the first- and second-line setting include anti-PD1 antibodies (pembrolizumab, nivolumab), ipilimumab, an anti-CTLA4 antibody, for all patients, and BRAF/MEK inhibitor combinations for patients with BRAF-mutant melanoma [II, B].
- If clinical trials or the approved new targeted compounds are not available, cytotoxic drugs such as DTIC or temozolomide may be administered, with modest activity shown [II, C].

CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

An ESMO Product

Management of toxicities from immunotherapy

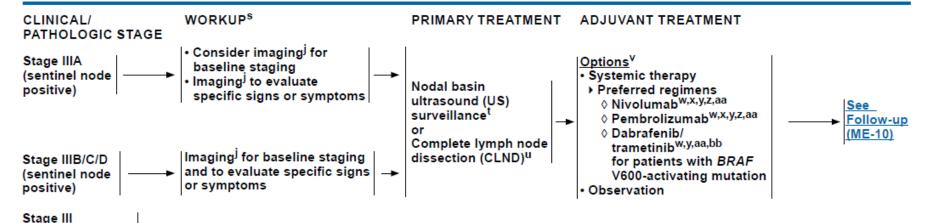
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See Principles of Imaging-Workup (ME-D).

(clinically positive

node[s])

*BRAF mutation testing is recommended for patients with stage III at high risk for recurrence for whom future BRAF-directed therapy may be an option.

See ME-5

See Principles of Molecular Testing (ME-C).

^tFor patients with a positive SLNB who do not undergo CLND, it would be appropriate for the frequency of clinical exam and US surveillance to be consistent with the two prospective randomized trials (MSLT-II and DeCOG): at least every 4 months during the first 2 years, then every 6 months during years 3 through 5.

^uFor patients with a positive sentinel node, two prospective randomized phase III studies have demonstrated no improvement in melanoma-specific survival or OS in patients undergoing CLND compared to those who underwent nodal basin US surveillance. CLND did provide additional prognostic information as well as improvement in regional control/recurrence at the expense of increased morbidity, including wound complications and long-term lymphedema. Factors that predict non-SLN positivity include sentinel node tumor burden, number of positive nodes, and thickness/ulceration of the primary tumor.

See Principles of Complete Lymph Node Dissection (ME-G).

*The choice of adjuvant systemic treatment versus observation should take into consideration the patient's risk of melanoma recurrence and the risk of treatment toxicity. WIn patients with very-low-risk stage IIIA disease (non-ulcerated primary, SLN metastasis <1 mm), the toxicity of adjuvant therapy may outweigh the benefit.</p>

XNivolumab has shown a clinically significant improvement in RFS compared to high-dose ipilimumab, but its impact on OS has not yet been reported. Pembrolizumab has shown a clinically significant improvement in RFS compared to placebo, but its impact on OS has not yet been reported.

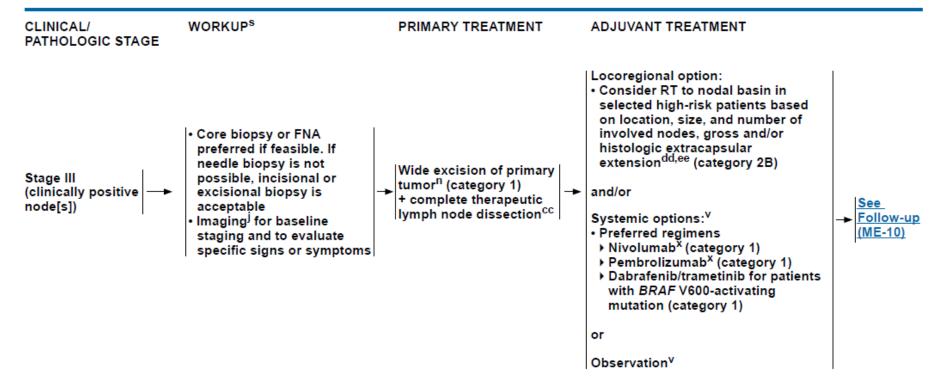
YAdjuvant dabrafenib/trametinib and pembrolizumab are category 1 options for patients with AJCC 7th Edition stage IIIA with SLN metastasis >1 mm or stage IIIB/C disease. Adjuvant nivolumab is a category 1 option for patients with AJCC 7th Edition stage IIIB/C disease.

²Randomized clinical trials testing adjuvant anti-PD-1 therapy included patients with sentinel node-positive disease at high risk: those with ulcerated primary (nivolumab, pembrolizumab) or an SLN metastasis >1 mm (pembrolizumab).

aaAll patients in the clinical trials studying adjuvant anti-PD-1 or adjuvant dabrafenib/trametinib were required to undergo CLND prior to randomization. In the setting of two prospective trials demonstrating that CLND has no impact on DSS or OS, it is unclear whether CLND should be a factor in the decision to use either adjuvant therapy in sentinel node-positive patients.

bbThe randomized clinical trial testing adjuvant dabrafenib/trametinib combination therapy for patients with BRAF V600E/K mutation included patients with sentinel node-positive disease at high risk: those with ulcerated primary and/or SLN metastasis >1 mm.

Note: All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated.



jSee Principles of Imaging—Workup (ME-D).

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[&]quot;See Principles of Surgical Margins for Wide Excision of Primary Melanoma (ME-E).

^{*}BRAF mutation testing is recommended for patients with stage III at high risk for recurrence for whom future BRAF-directed therapy may be an option. See Principles of Molecular Testing (ME-C).

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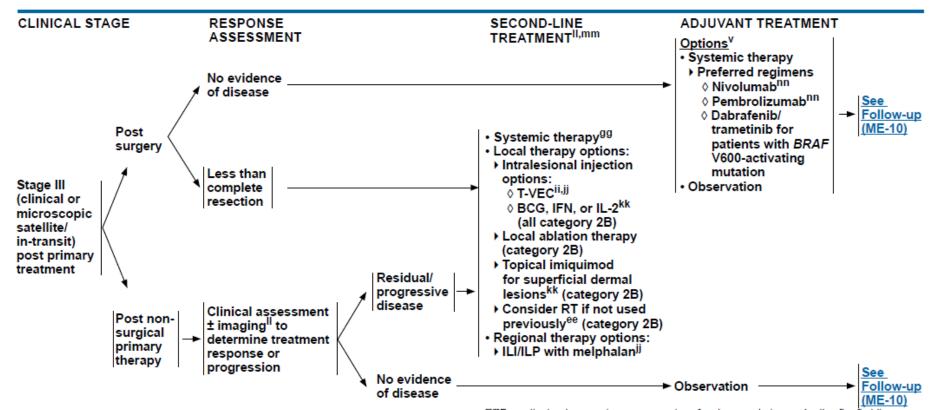
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celln patients with borderline resectable lymphadenopathy or very high risk of recurrence after lymphadenectomy, consider a clinical trial of neoadjuvant systemic therapy.

ddAdiuvant nodal basin RT is associated with reduced lymph node field recurrence but has shown no improvement in RFS or OS. Its benefits must be weighed against

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⁹⁹See Systemic Therapy for Metastatic or Unresectable Disease (ME-I 1 of 5).

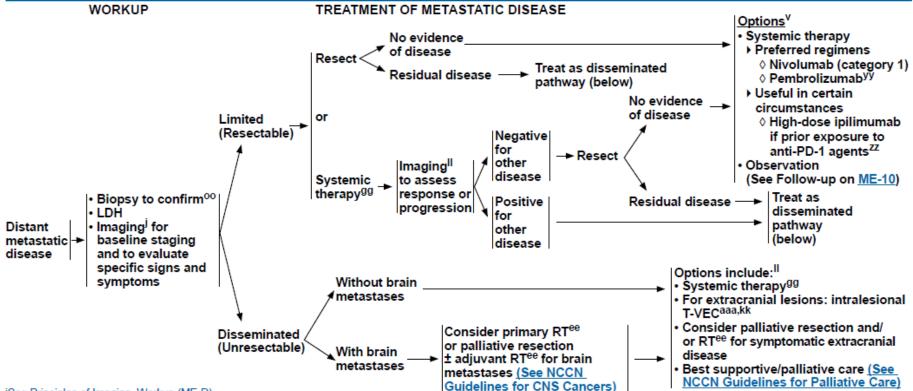
iiT-VEC was associated with a response rate (lasting ≥6 months) of 16% in highly selected patients with unresectable metastatic melanoma. Efficacy was noted in AJCC 7th Edition stage IIIB and IIIC disease, and was more likely to be seen in patients who were treatment naive.

[&]quot;These options have been preference stratified as "Preferred Regimens."

kkThese options have been preference stratified as "Useful In Certain Circumstances."

IISee Principles of Imaging—Treatment Response Assessment (ME-D).

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jSee Principles of Imaging-Workup (ME-D).

MAlthough patients with resected stage IV disease were not included in the phase III prospective randomized trial testing adjuvant pembrolizumab, it is included as an option here because all available evidence suggests that pembrolizumab and nivolumab have highly similar efficacy and safety in patients with melanoma.

zzlpilimumab is included as an adjuvant treatment option for patients with resected stage IV disease who have prior exposure to anti-PD-1 agents based on extrapolation of data demonstrating its efficacy as adjuvant treatment for resected stage III disease and demonstrated efficacy for unresectable stage IV disease.

aaaT-VEC has shown a response rate (lasting ≥6 months) of 16% in highly selected patients with AJCC 7th Edition stage IV-M1a disease (skin, subcutaneous, and/or remote nodes).

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oolnitial presentation with stage IV disease or clinical recurrence should be confirmed pathologically whenever possible or if clinically indicated. Biopsy techniques may include FNA, core, incisional, or excisional. Tissue is always preferred over cytology for mutational analysis. Obtain tissue to ascertain alterations in *BRAF*, and in the appropriate clinical setting, *KIT* from either biopsy of the metastasis (preferred) or archival material if the patient is being considered for targeted therapy. Consider broader genomic profiling if the test results might guide future treatment decisions or eligibility for participation in a clinical trial. See Principles of Biopsy and Pathology (ME-B) and See Principles of Molecular Testing (ME-C).

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³See NCCN Guidelines for Management of Immunotherapy-Related Toxicities.
⁴The use of PD-L1 as a biomarker for selection of anti-PD-1 therapy and/or nivolumab/ipilimumab combination therapy is an emerging research issue with non-uniform application among the NCCN Member Institutions (category 2B).

Nivolumab/ipilimumab combination therapy is associated with improved ORR, PFS, and OS compared with single-agent ipilimumab, at the expense of significantly increased toxicity. Compared to nivolumab, the impact of nivolumab/ipilimumab combination therapy on OS is not known. The phase III trial of nivolumab/ipilimumab or nivolumab monotherapy versus ipilimumab monotherapy was conducted in previously untreated patients with unresectable stage III or IV melanoma. Relative indications for combination nivolumab/ipilimumab in comparison to PD-1 monotherapy include: patient willingness to take on high risk of treatment-related toxicities (irAEs); absence of comorbidities or autoimmune processes that would elevate the risk of irAEs; patient social support and anticipated compliance with medical team to handle toxicities; and absent/low tissue PD-L1.

⁶Positive VE1 IHC results are sufficient for starting targeted therapy in patients who are symptomatic or have rapidly progressing disease. Due to the risk of false positives and false negatives, all VE1 IHC results should be confirmed by

sequencing. See Principles of Molecular Testing (ME-C).

⁷Because BRAF/MEK inhibitors have a shorter time to response compared with checkpoint immunotherapies, they may be preferred in patients with rapidly progressing disease and/or symptoms.

8 See Management of Toxicities Associated with Targeted Therapy (ME-J).

SECOND-LINE OR SUBSEQUENT THERAPY¹¹

Systemic therapy

- Preferred regimens
 - ♦ Anti PD-1 monotherapy^{3,4}
 - Pembrolizumab
 - Nivolumab
- ♦ Nivolumab/ipilimumab^{3,4,5}
- Combination targeted therapy if BRAF V600-activating mutation^{8,9,10}
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 - ◊ Ipilimumab³
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- Consider best supportive care for poor performance status (See NCCN Guidelines for Palliative Care)

⁹In previously untreated patients with unresectable AJCC 7th Edition stage IIIC or stage IV disease, BRAF/MEK inhibitor combination therapy was associated with improved response rate, PFS, and OS compared to BRAF inhibitor monotherapy.

¹⁰If BRAF/MEK inhibitor combination therapy is contraindicated, BRAF-inhibitor monotherapy with dabrafenib or vemurafenib are recommended options, especially in patients who are not

appropriate candidates for checkpoint immunotherapy.

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¹²High-dose IL-2 should not be used for patients with inadequate organ reserve, poor performance status, or untreated or active brain metastases. For patients with small brain metastases and without significant peritumoral edema, IL-2 therapy may be considered (category 2B). Therapy should be restricted to an institution with medical staff experienced in the administration and management of these regimens.

¹³For a list of cytotoxic regimens, see (ME-I 2 of 5).

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Thank you