



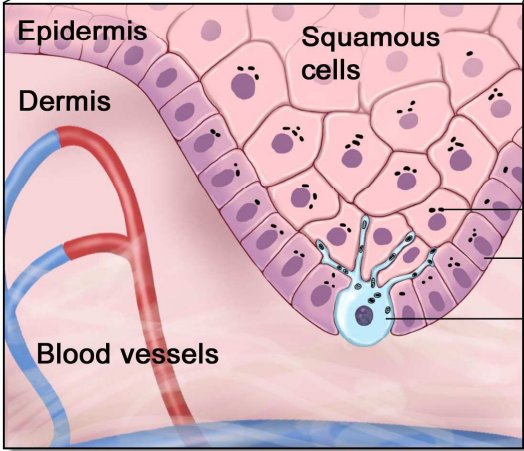
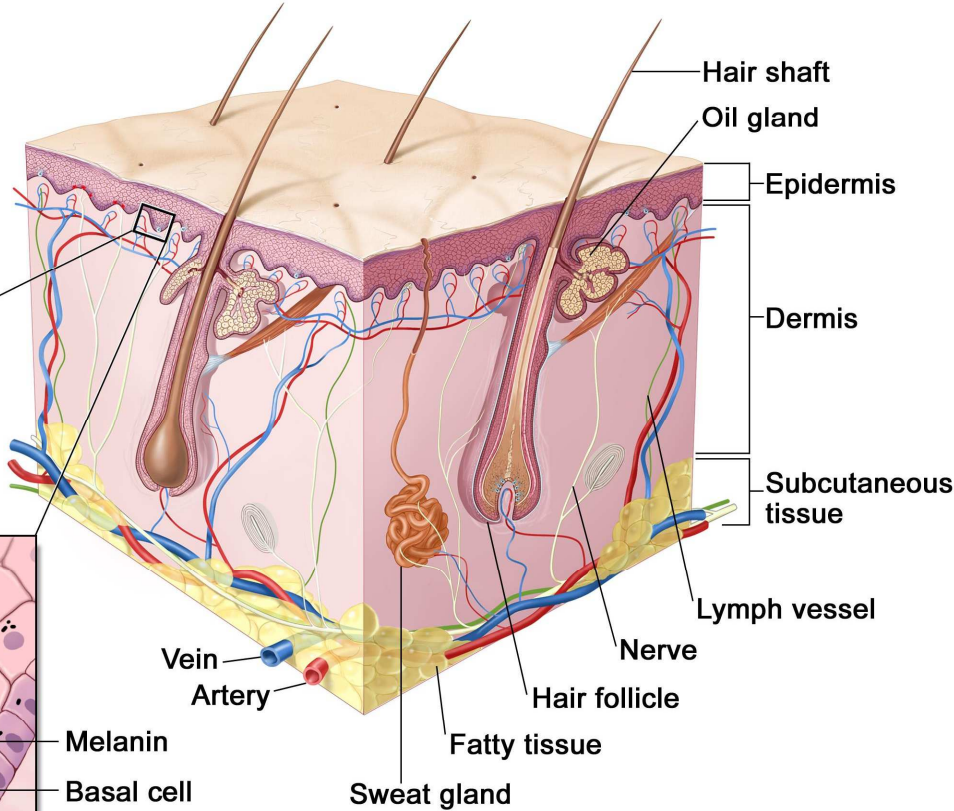
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Immunotherapy of Melanoma

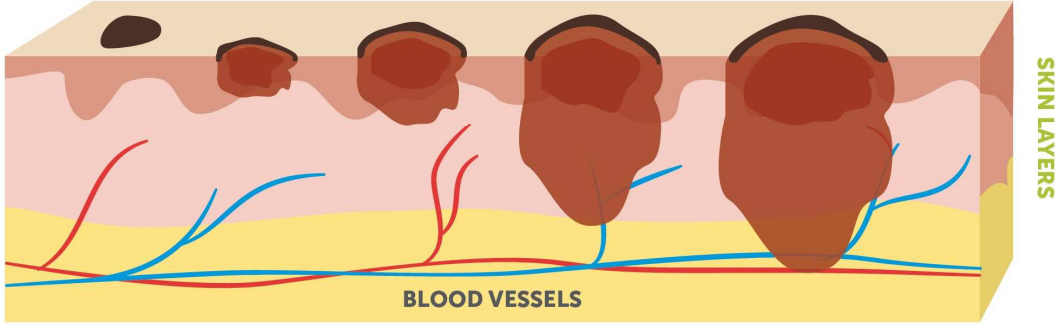
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Skin Melanoma

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INCREASING GROWTH OF AN UNDETECTED MELANOMA →



Melanoma Incidence

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GLOBOCAN 2012: Estimated Cancer Incidence, Mortality and Prevalence Worldwide in 2012



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Region:

World

Type:

Incidence

Indicator:

ASR

Site:

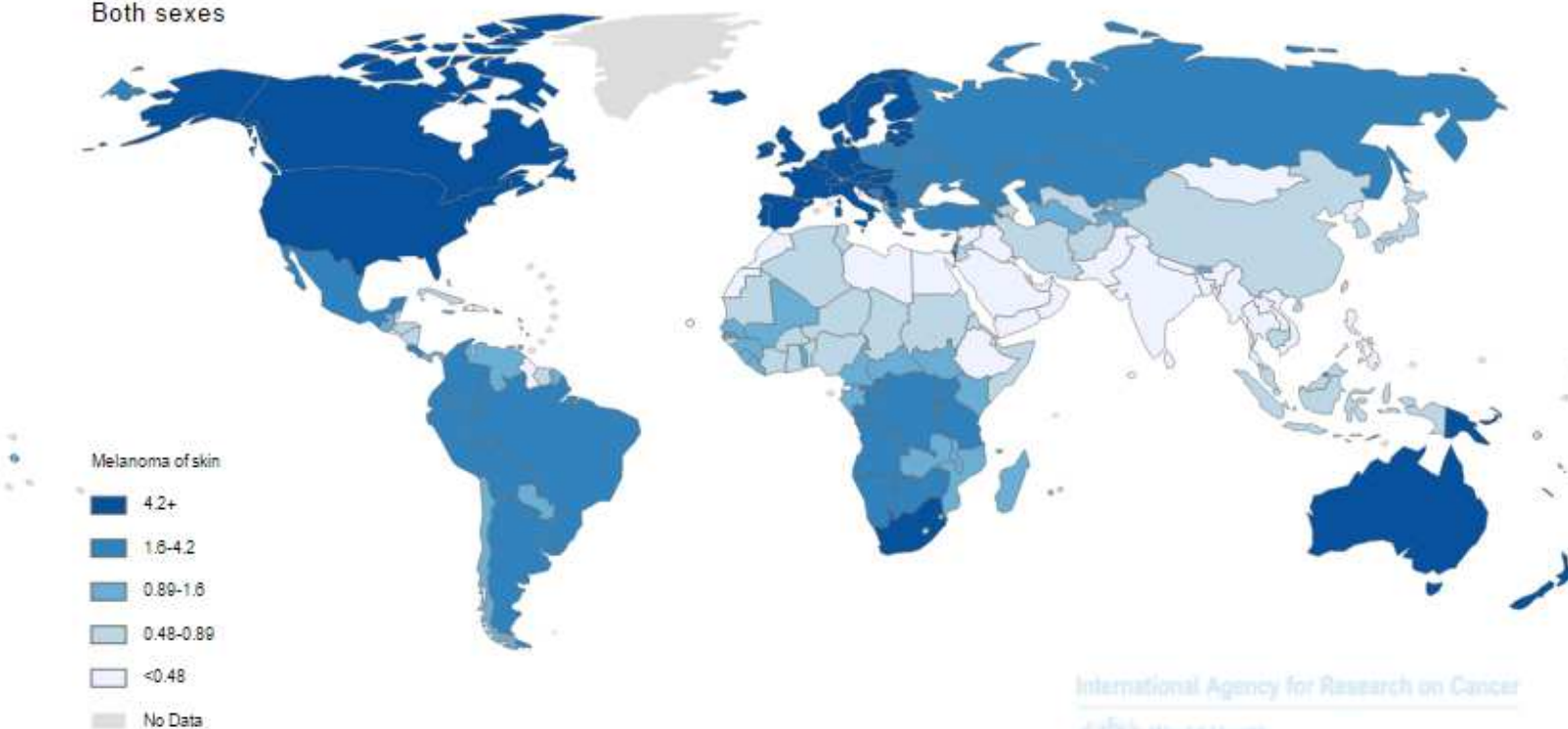
Melanoma of skin

Sex:

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Incidence ASR

Both sexes

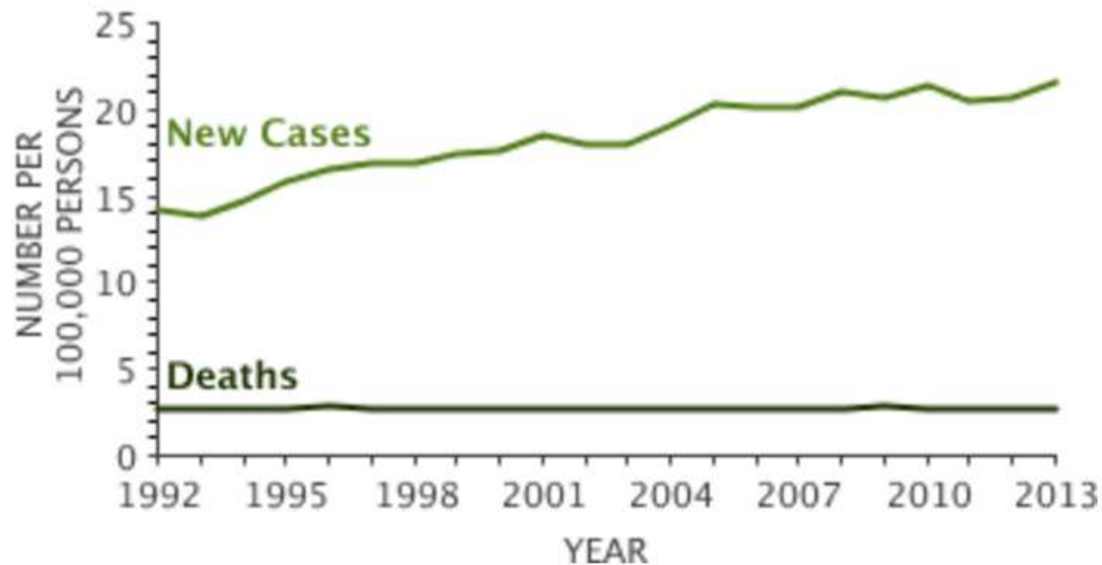


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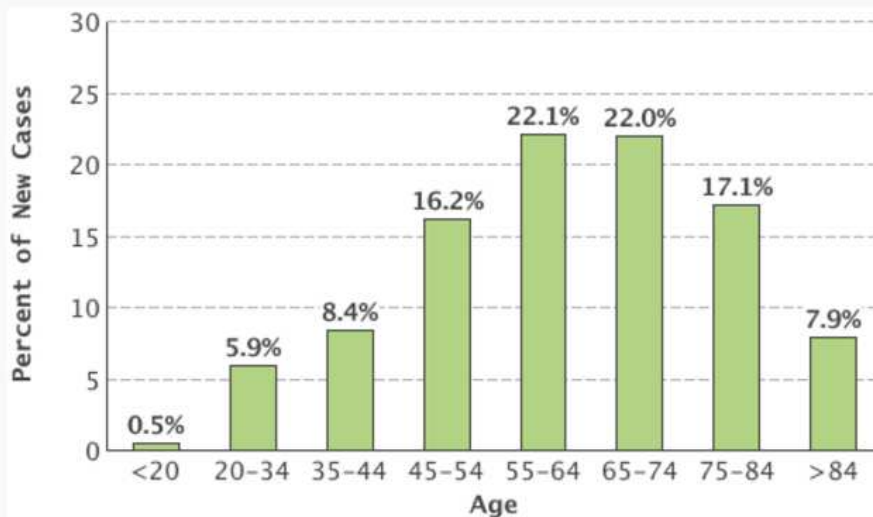
Source: GLOBOCAN 2012 (IARC)

Increasing Melanoma Incidence and Decreasing Mortality



- **New melanoma cases almost tripled between 1975 and 2012 (from 7.9/100 000 to 22.9/100 000)**
- **Death rate per 100 000: no changes (2.1/100 000 in 1975 and 2.7/100 000 in 2012)**

Percent of New Cases and Deaths by Age Groups

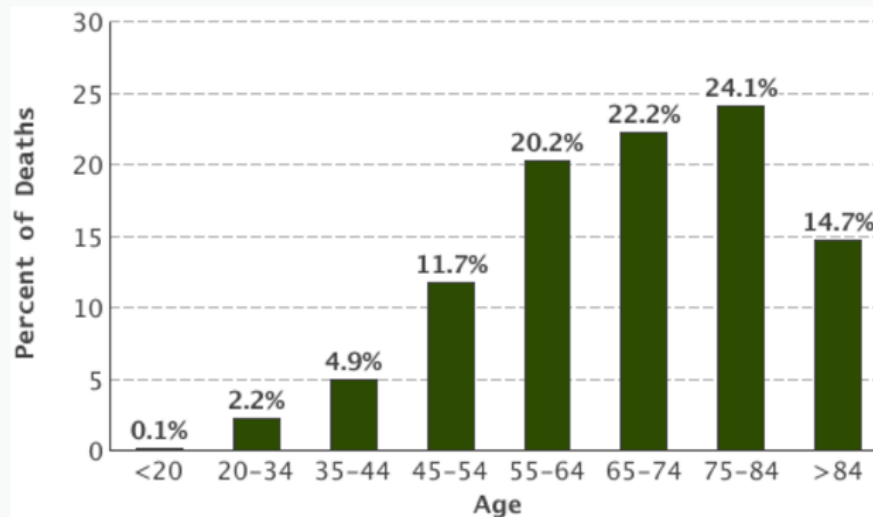


Melanoma of the skin is most frequently diagnosed among people aged 55-64.

Median Age At Diagnosis

63

SEER 18 2009-2013, All Races, Both Sexes



The percent of melanoma of the skin deaths is highest among people aged 75-84.

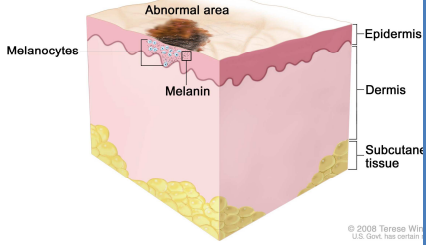
Median Age At Death

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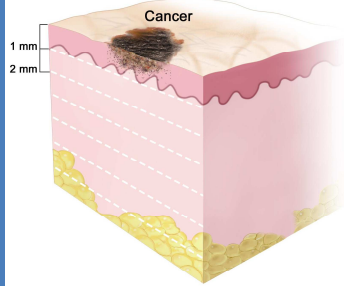
Melanoma Stages

In situ Melanoma



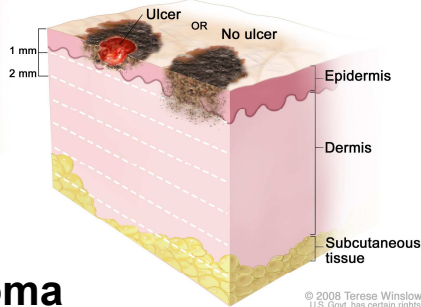
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Stage IA Melanoma



Stage I Melanoma

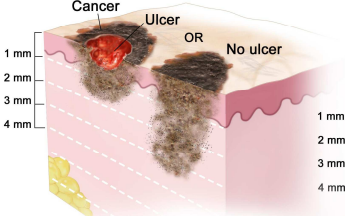
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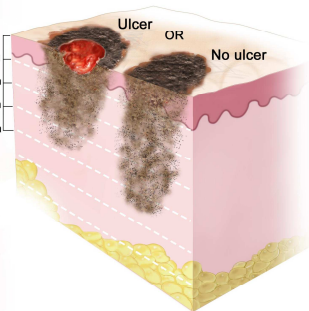
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Stage II Melanoma

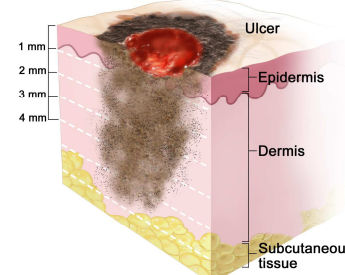
Stage IIA Melanoma



Stage IIB Melanoma

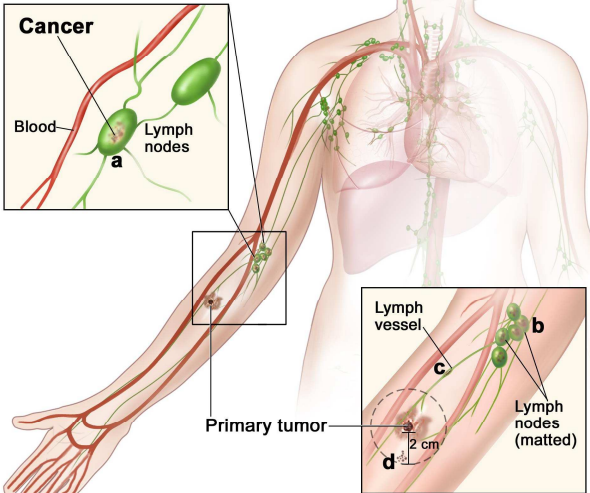


Stage IIC Melanoma



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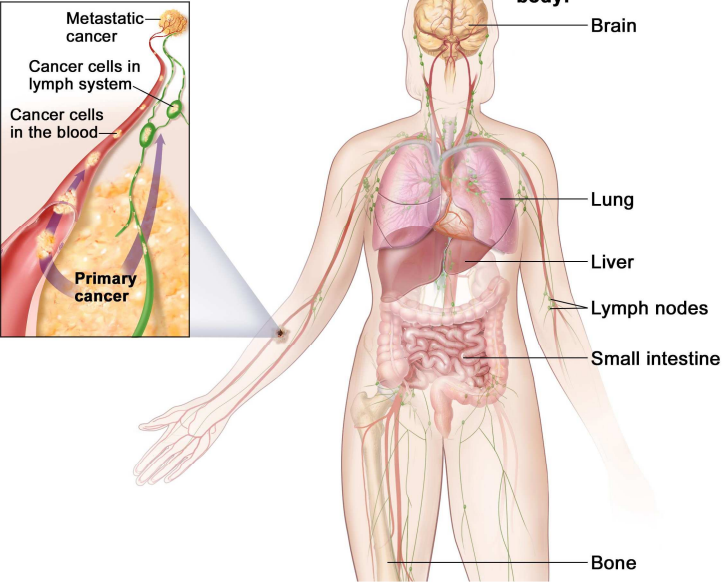
Stage III Melanoma



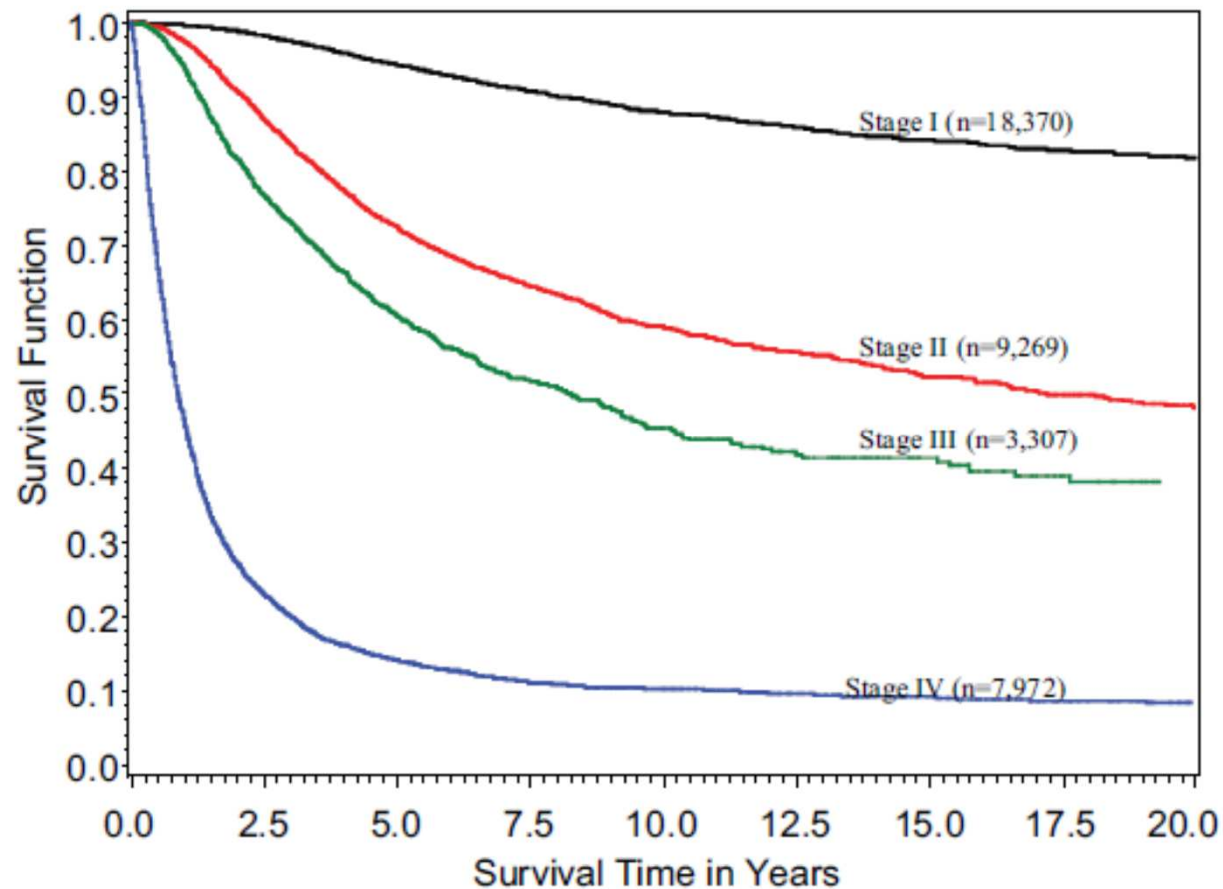
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Stage IV Melanoma

Melanoma has spread to other parts of the body:



Overall survival by Stage



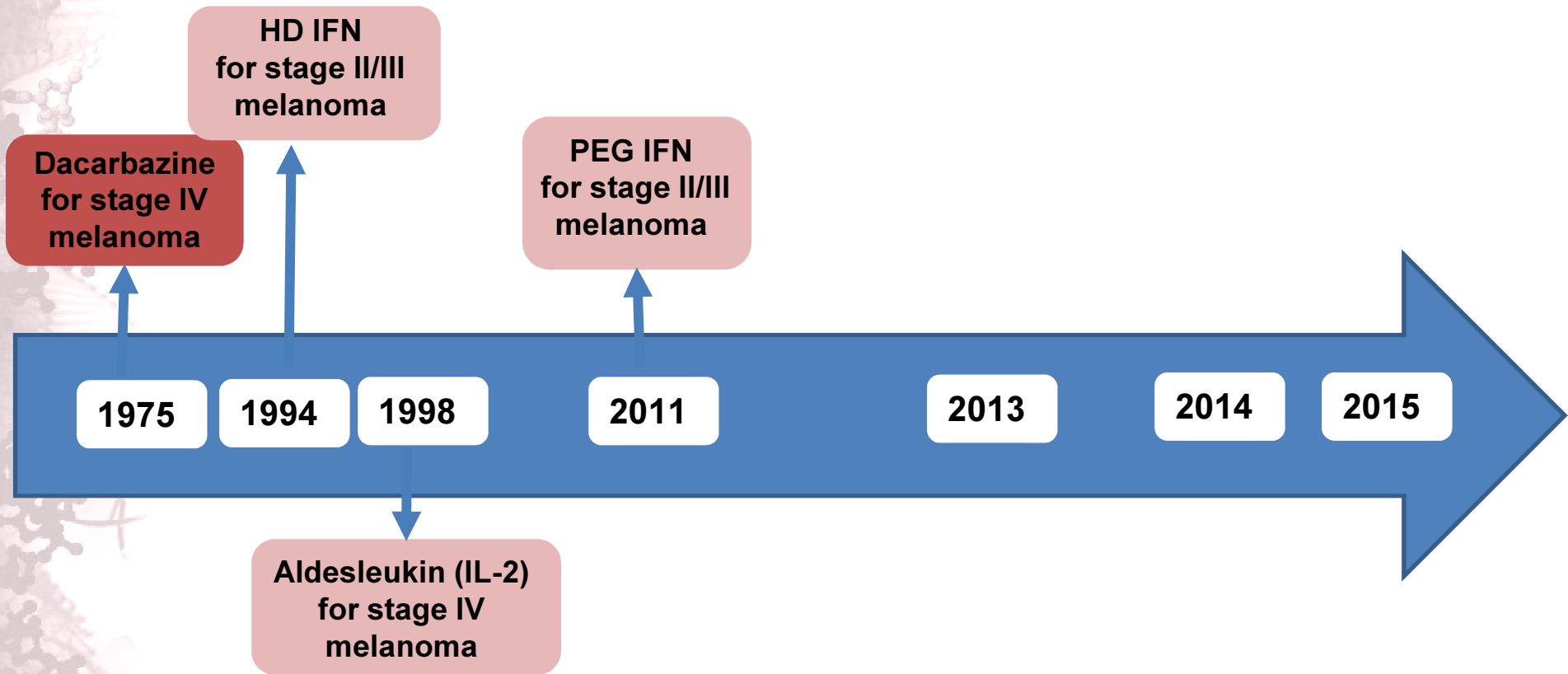
Lymph node involvement most significant prognostic factor for survival



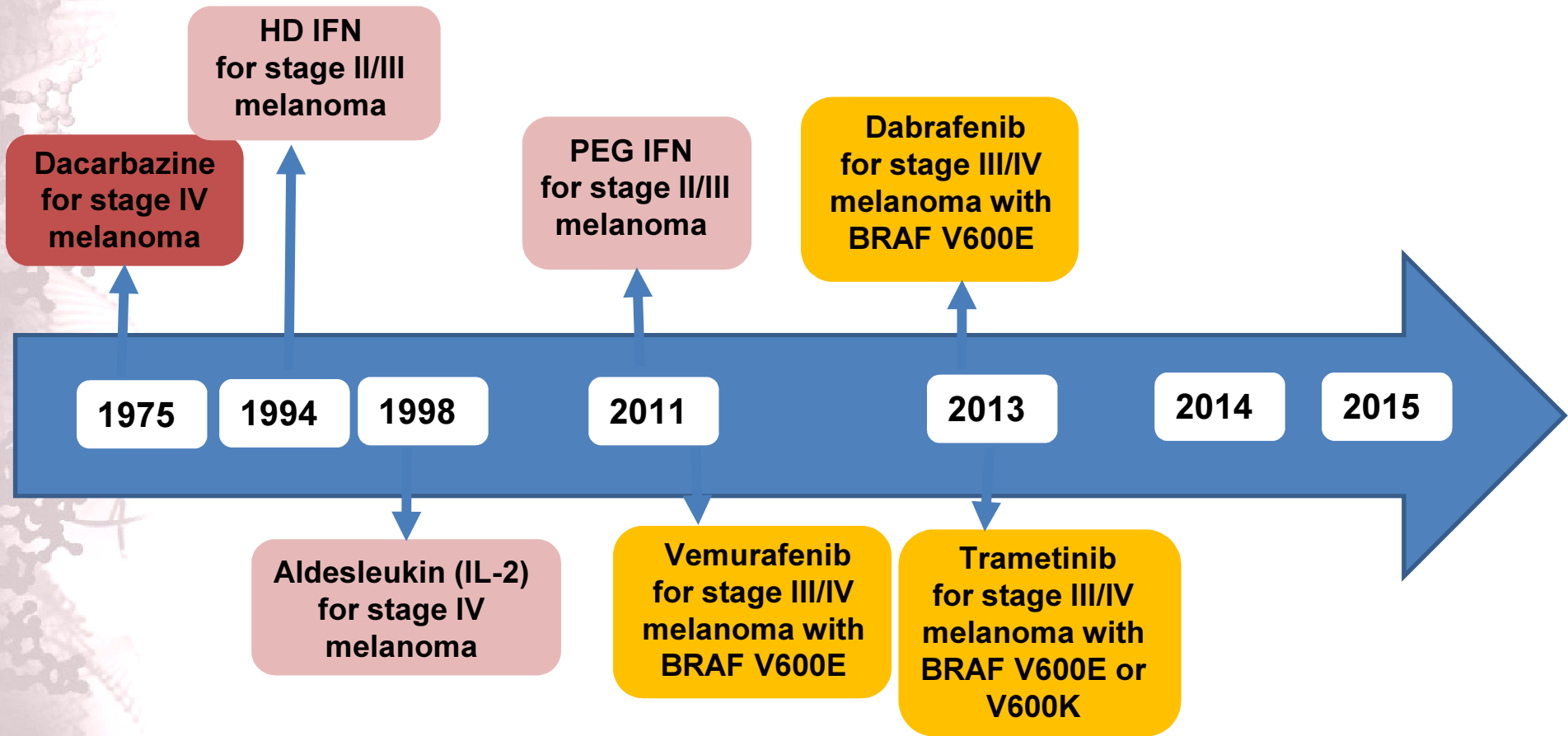
Treatment Options by Stage

Melanoma Stage	Treatment option	Challenges
Stage 0 (in situ)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early diagnosis
Stage I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery (lymph node mapping, removal of lymph nodes) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New ways to find melanoma cells in the lymph nodes
Stage II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery (lymph node mapping, sentinel lymph node biopsy) • Biologic therapy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New treatment to be used after surgery
Stage III (can remove by surgery)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery (lymph node mapping, sentinel lymph node biopsy) • Biologic therapy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New treatment to be used after surgery • Trials oncolytic virus therapy
Stage III (can't remove by surgery), Stage IV Recurrent Melanoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted therapy • Biologic therapy • Immunotherapy • Chemotherapy • Palliative therapy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New types of immunotherapy • Combinations of therapies • Targeted therapies • Angiogenesis inhibitors • Oncolytic virus therapy • Regional chemotherapy • Systemic chemotherapy, etc.

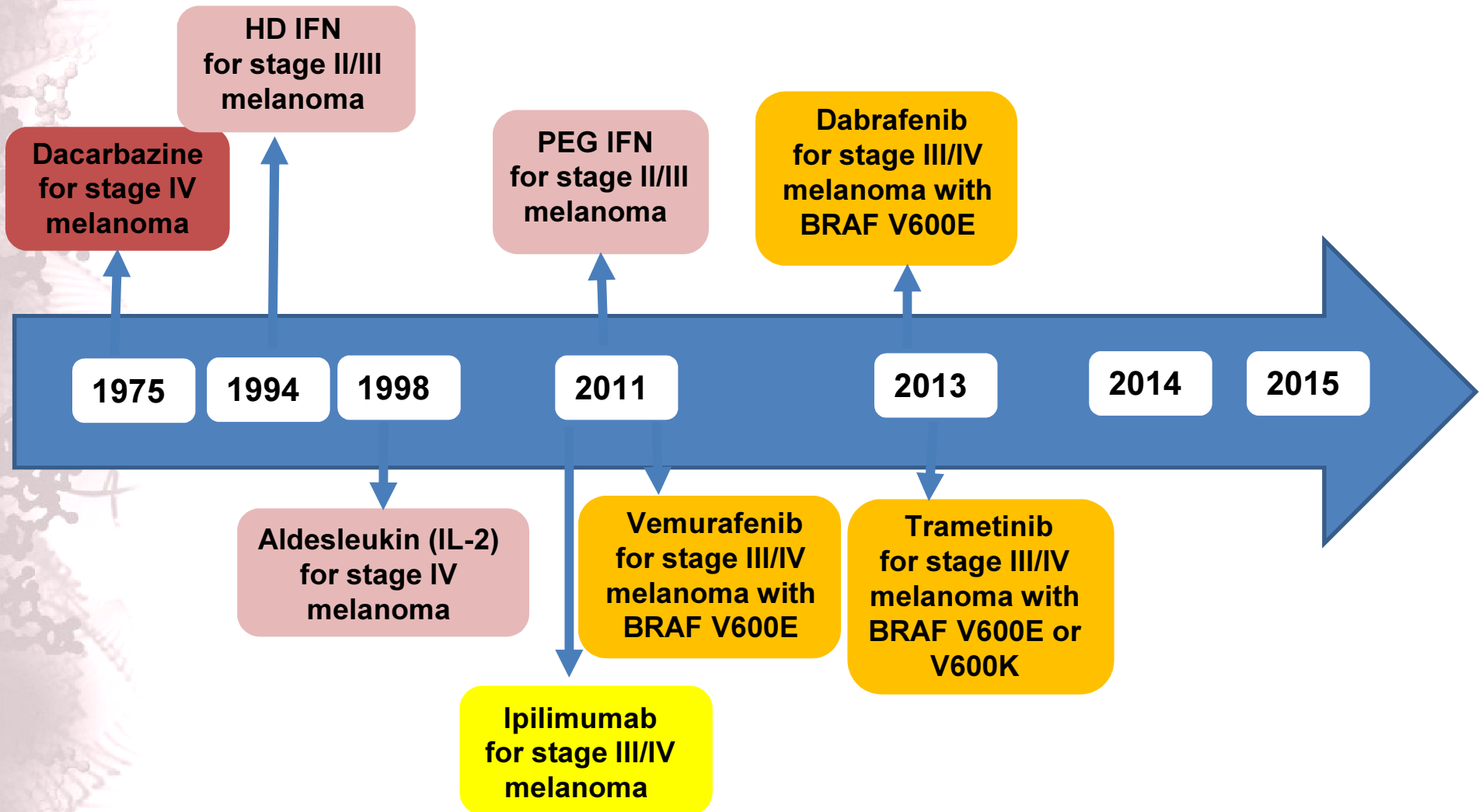
Timeline for FDA Approved Drugs for melanoma



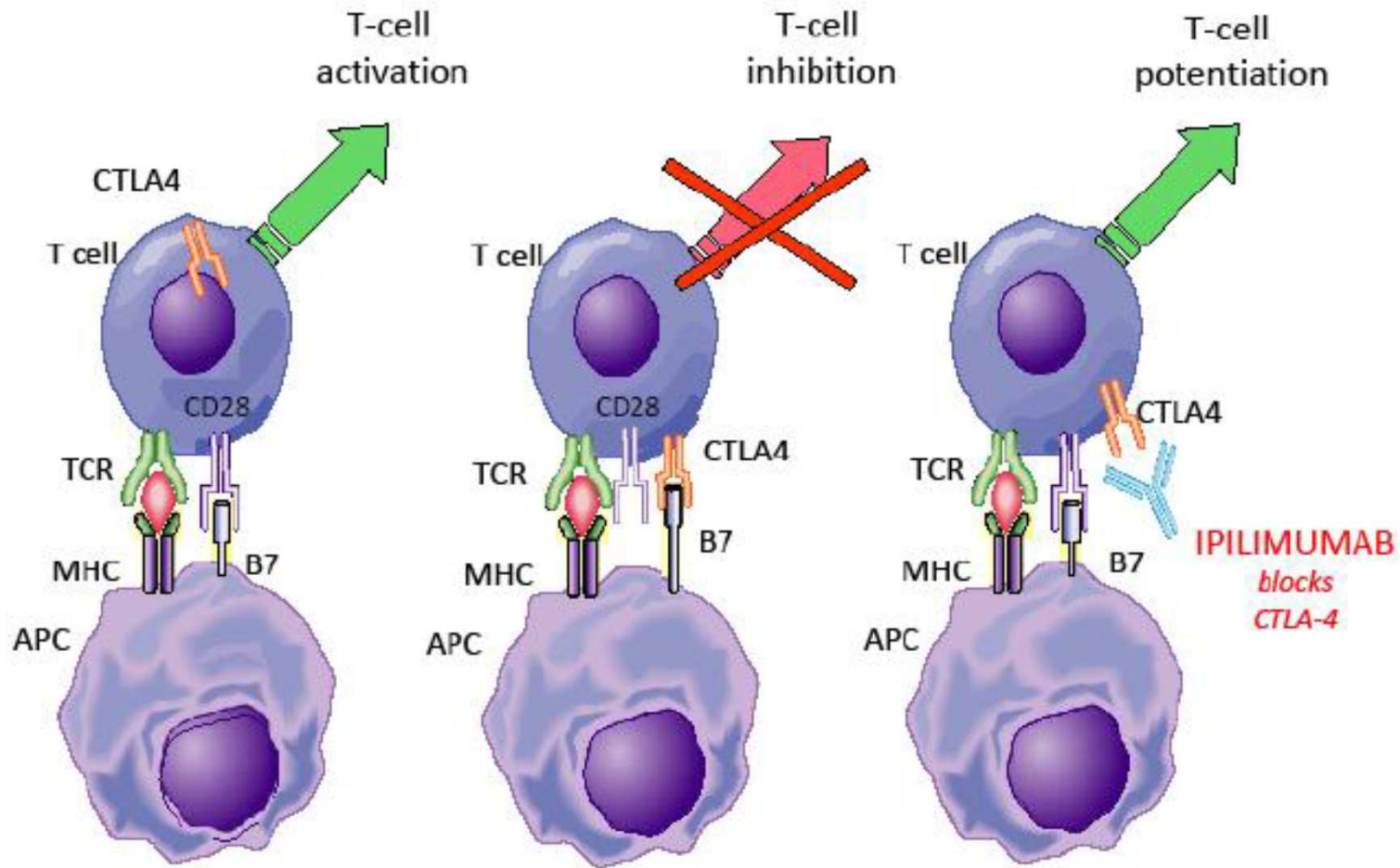
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Ipilimumab mode of action



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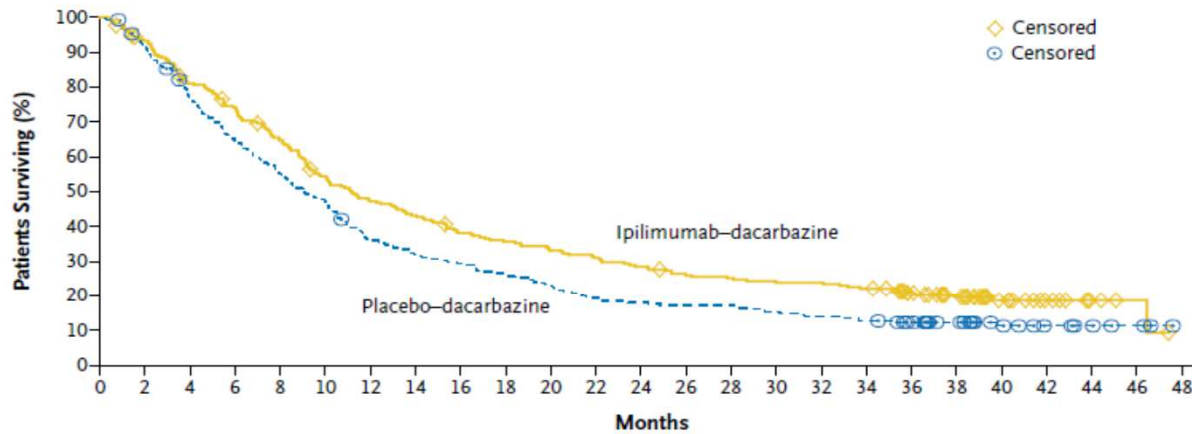
Activation is initiated by binding of B7 molecule on the APC to CD28 receptors on the T cell

Inhibition results from CTLA-4 expression on the T-cell surface where it competes with CD28 for binding to B7 on APCs

Potentiation of T-cell proliferation achieved by CTLA-4 inhibition using ipilimumab, an anti-CTLA-4 monoclonal antibody

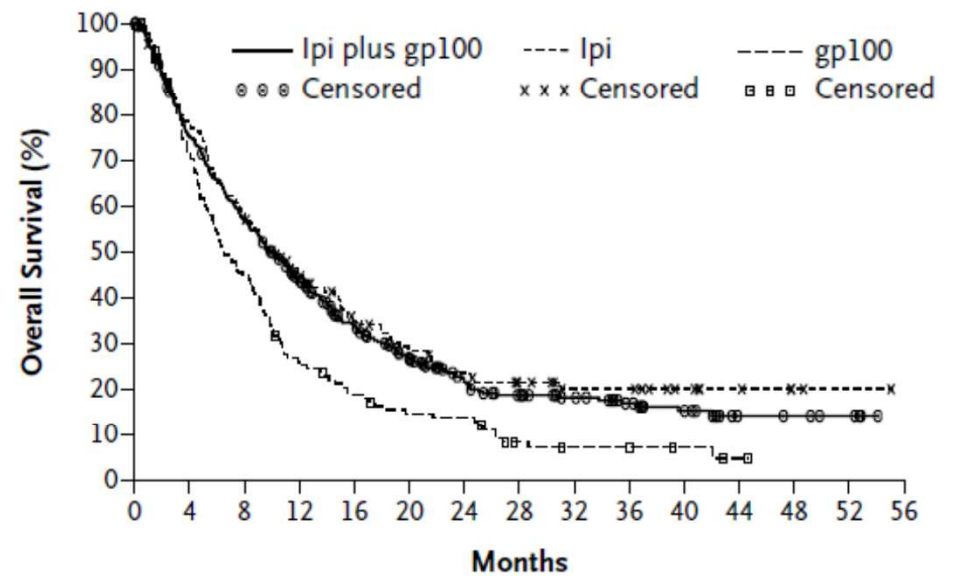
Ipilimumab in Metastatic Melanoma (I)

Overall survival



No. at Risk

Ipilimumab-dacarbazine	250	230	199	181	157	131	114	104	91	85	79	74	68	61	59	56	56	52	41	31	17	10	4	2	0
Placebo-dacarbazine	252	229	190	160	136	116	89	78	72	64	56	47	44	42	42	37	34	31	26	19	11	7	5	3	0



No. at Risk

Ipi plus gp100	403	297	223	163	115	81	54	42	33	24	17	7	6	4	0
Ipi	137	106	79	56	38	30	24	18	13	13	8	5	2	1	0
gp100	136	93	58	32	23	17	16	7	5	5	3	1	0	0	0

Robert C, et al. N Engl J Med.

2011;364:2517-2526;

Hodi FS, et al. N Engl J Med. 2010

Ipilimumab in Metastatic Melanoma (II)

Table 2. Efficacy Results.

End Point	Ipilimumab plus Dacarbazine (N = 250)	Placebo plus Dacarbazine (N = 252)	Hazard Ratio with Ipilimumab plus Dacarbazine (95% CI)	P Value
Secondary end points				
Disease progression — no. of events	203	223	0.76 (0.63–0.93)	0.006
Best overall response — no. (%) [*]	38 (15.2)	26 (10.3)		
Complete response	4 (1.6)	2 (0.8)		
Partial response	34 (13.6)	24 (9.5)		
Stable disease — no. (%) [*]	45 (18.0)	50 (19.8)		
Progressive disease — no. (%)	111 (44.4)	131 (52.0)		
Response not evaluated — no. (%) [†]	56 (22.4)	45 (17.9)		
		Ipilimumab plus gp100 (N = 403)	Ipilimumab Alone (N = 137)	gp100 Alone (N = 136)
Evaluation of therapy				
Induction				
Best overall response — no. (%)				
Complete response		1 (0.2)	2 (1.5)	0
Partial response		22 (5.5)	13 (9.5)	2 (1.5)
Stable disease		58 (14.4)	24 (17.5)	13 (9.6)
Progressive disease		239 (59.3)	70 (51.1)	89 (65.4)
Not evaluated		83 (20.6)	28 (20.4)	32 (23.5)

Robert C, et al. N Engl J Med. 2011;364:2517-2526; Hodi FS, et al. N Engl J Med. 2010

Ipilimumab in Metastatic Melanoma (III)

Table 3. Adverse Events and Immune-Related Adverse Events.*

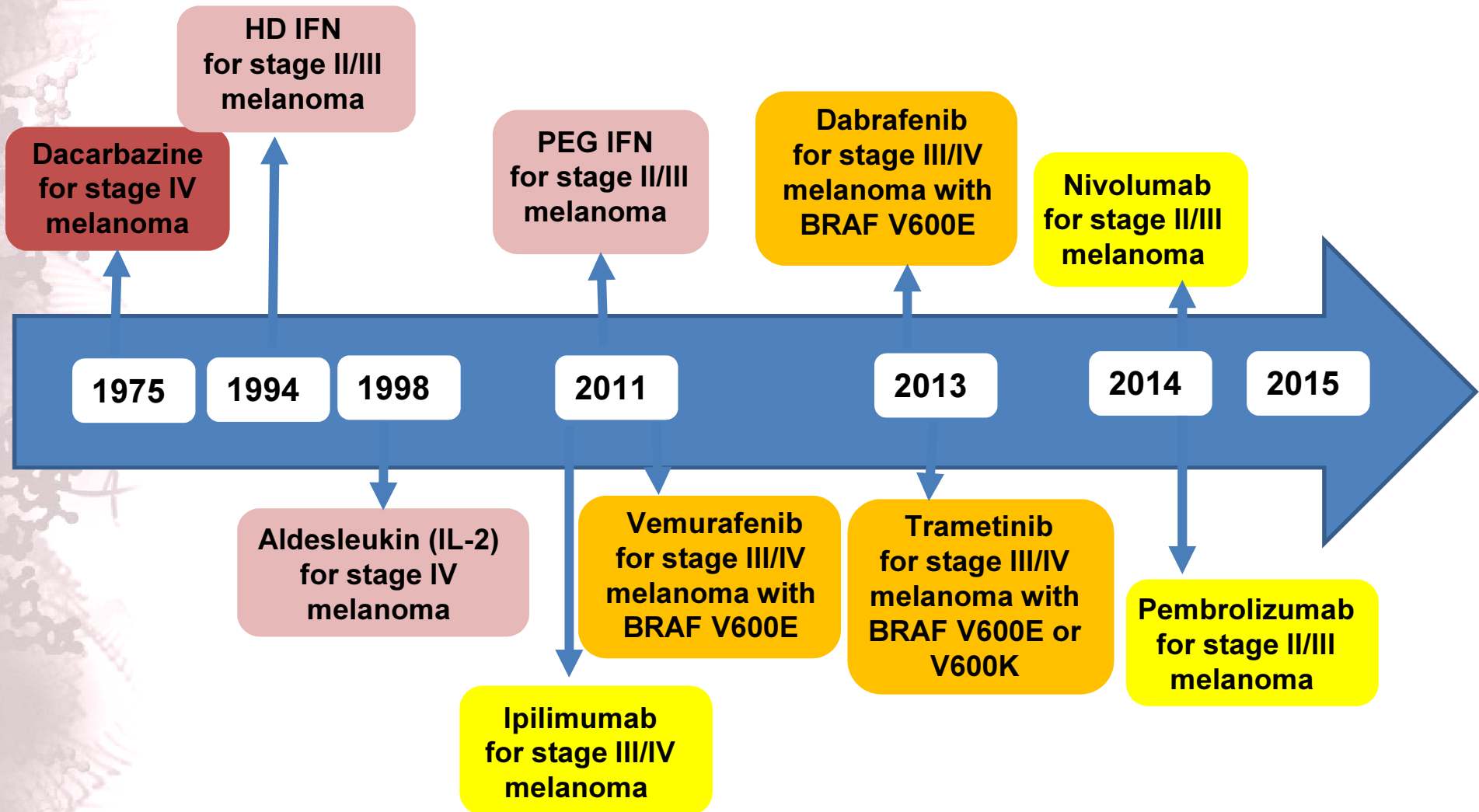
Adverse Event	Ipilimumab plus Dacarbazine (N= 247)			Placebo plus Dacarbazine (N= 251)		
	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4
<i>number of patients (percent)</i>						
All adverse events, regardless of cause†						
Any event	244 (98.8)	99 (40.1)	40 (16.2)	236 (94.0)	45 (17.9)	24 (9.6)
Gastrointestinal: diarrhea	90 (36.4)	10 (4.0)	0	62 (24.7)	0	0
Dermatologic						
Pruritus	73 (29.6)	5 (2.0)	0	22 (8.8)	0	0
Rash	61 (24.7)	3 (1.2)	0	17 (6.8)	0	0
Hepatic						
Increase in alanine aminotransferase	82 (33.2)	40 (16.2)	14 (5.7)	14 (5.6)	2 (0.8)	0
Increase in aspartate aminotransferase	72 (29.1)	36 (14.6)	9 (3.6)	14 (5.6)	3 (1.2)	0
Other						
Pyrexia	91 (36.8)	0	0	23 (9.2)	0	0
Chills	28 (11.3)	0	0	10 (4.0)	0	0
Weight loss	27 (10.9)	1 (0.4)	0	13 (5.2)	1 (0.4)	0
Immune-related adverse events						
Any event	192 (77.7)	78 (31.6)	25 (10.1)	96 (38.2)	8 (3.2)	7 (2.8)
Dermatologic						
Pruritus	66 (26.7)	5 (2.0)	0	15 (6.0)	0	0
Rash	55 (22.3)	3 (1.2)	0	12 (4.8)	0	0
Gastrointestinal						
Diarrhea	81 (32.8)	10 (4.0)	0	40 (15.9)	0	0
Colitis	11 (4.5)	4 (1.6)	1 (0.4)	0	0	0
Hepatic‡						
Increase in alanine aminotransferase	72 (29.1)	37 (15.0)	14 (5.7)	11 (4.4)	2 (0.8)	0
Increase in aspartate aminotransferase	66 (26.7)	34 (13.8)	9 (3.6)	8 (3.2)	1 (0.4)	0
Hepatitis	4 (1.6)	3 (1.2)	0	0	0	0

Ipilimumab in Metastatic Melanoma (IV)

Table 3. Adverse Events in the Safety Population.*

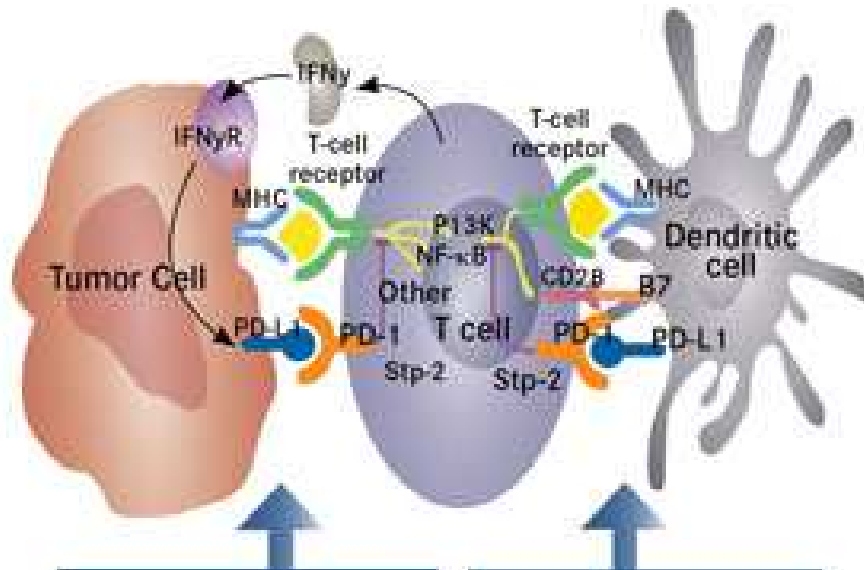
Adverse Event	Ipilimumab plus gp100 (N=380)			Ipilimumab Alone (N=131)			gp100 Alone (N=132)		
	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4
	<i>number of patients (percent)</i>								
Any event	374 (98.4)	147 (38.7)	26 (6.8)	127 (96.9)	49 (37.4)	11 (8.4)	128 (97.0)	54 (40.9)	8 (6.1)
Any drug-related event	338 (88.9)	62 (16.3)	4 (1.1)	105 (80.2)	25 (19.1)	5 (3.8)	104 (78.8)	15 (11.4)	0
Gastrointestinal disorders									
Diarrhea	146 (38.4)	16 (4.2)	1 (0.3)	43 (32.8)	7 (5.3)	0	26 (19.7)	1 (0.8)	0
Nausea	129 (33.9)	5 (1.3)	1 (0.3)	46 (35.1)	3 (2.3)	0	52 (39.4)	3 (2.3)	0
Constipation	81 (21.3)	3 (0.8)	0	27 (20.6)	3 (2.3)	0	34 (25.8)	1 (0.8)	0
Vomiting	75 (19.7)	6 (1.6)	1 (0.3)	31 (23.7)	3 (2.3)	0	29 (22.0)	3 (2.3)	0
Abdominal pain	67 (17.6)	6 (1.6)	0	20 (15.3)	2 (1.5)	0	22 (16.7)	6 (4.5)	1 (0.8)
Other									
Fatigue	137 (36.1)	19 (5.0)	0	55 (42.0)	9 (6.9)	0	41 (31.1)	4 (3.0)	0
Decreased appetite	88 (23.2)	5 (1.3)	1 (0.3)	35 (26.7)	2 (1.5)	0	29 (22.0)	3 (2.3)	1 (0.8)
Pyrexia	78 (20.5)	2 (0.5)	0	16 (12.2)	0	0	23 (17.4)	2 (1.5)	0
Headache	65 (17.1)	4 (1.1)	0	19 (14.5)	3 (2.3)	0	19 (14.4)	3 (2.3)	0
Cough	55 (14.5)	1 (0.3)	0	21 (16.0)	0	0	18 (13.6)	0	0
Dyspnea	46 (12.1)	12 (3.2)	2 (0.5)	19 (14.5)	4 (3.1)	1 (0.8)	25 (18.9)	6 (4.5)	0
Anemia	41 (10.8)	11 (2.9)	0	15 (11.5)	4 (3.1)	0	23 (17.4)	11 (8.3)	0
Any immune-related event	221 (58.2)	37 (9.7)	2 (0.5)	80 (61.1)	16 (12.2)	3 (2.3)	42 (31.8)	4 (3.0)	0
Dermatologic									
Pruritus	67 (17.6)	1 (0.3)	0	32 (24.4)	0	0	14 (10.6)	0	0
Rash	67 (17.6)	5 (1.3)	0	25 (19.1)	1 (0.8)	0	6 (4.5)	0	0
Vitiligo	14 (3.7)	0	0	3 (2.3)	0	0	1 (0.8)	0	0
Gastrointestinal									
Diarrhea	122 (32.1)	20 (5.3)	2 (0.5)	38 (29.0)	10 (7.6)	0	19 (14.4)	1 (0.8)	0
Colitis	115 (30.3)	14 (3.7)	0	36 (27.5)	6 (4.6)	0	18 (13.6)	1 (0.8)	0
Colitis	20 (5.3)	11 (2.9)	1 (0.3)	10 (7.6)	7 (5.3)	0	1 (0.8)	0	0
Endocrine									
Hypothyroidism	15 (3.9)	4 (1.1)	0	10 (7.6)	3 (2.3)	2 (1.5)	2 (1.5)	0	0
Hypothyroidism	6 (1.6)	1 (0.3)	0	2 (1.5)	0	0	2 (1.5)	0	0
Hypopituitarism	3 (0.8)	2 (0.5)	0	3 (2.3)	1 (0.8)	1 (0.8)	0	0	0
Hypophysitis	2 (0.5)	2 (0.5)	0	2 (1.5)	2 (1.5)	0	0	0	0
Adrenal insufficiency	3 (0.8)	2 (0.5)	0	2 (1.5)	0	0	0	0	0
Increase in serum thyrotropin level	2 (0.5)	0	0	1 (0.8)	0	0	0	0	0
Decrease in serum corticotropin level	0	0	0	2 (1.5)	0	1 (0.8)	0	0	0
Hepatic									
Increase in alanine aminotransferase	8 (2.1)	4 (1.1)	0	5 (3.8)	0	0	6 (4.5)	3 (2.3)	0
Increase in aspartate aminotransferase	3 (0.8)	2 (0.5)	0	2 (1.5)	0	0	3 (2.3)	0	0
Increase in aspartate aminotransferase	4 (1.1)	1 (0.3)	0	1 (0.8)	0	0	2 (1.5)	0	0
Hepatitis	2 (0.5)	1 (0.3)	0	1 (0.8)	0	0	0	0	0
Other	12 (3.2)	5 (1.3)	0	6 (4.6)	2 (1.5)	1 (0.8)	3 (2.3)	1 (0.8)	0

Timeline for FDA Approved Drugs for melanoma



Nivolumab mode of action

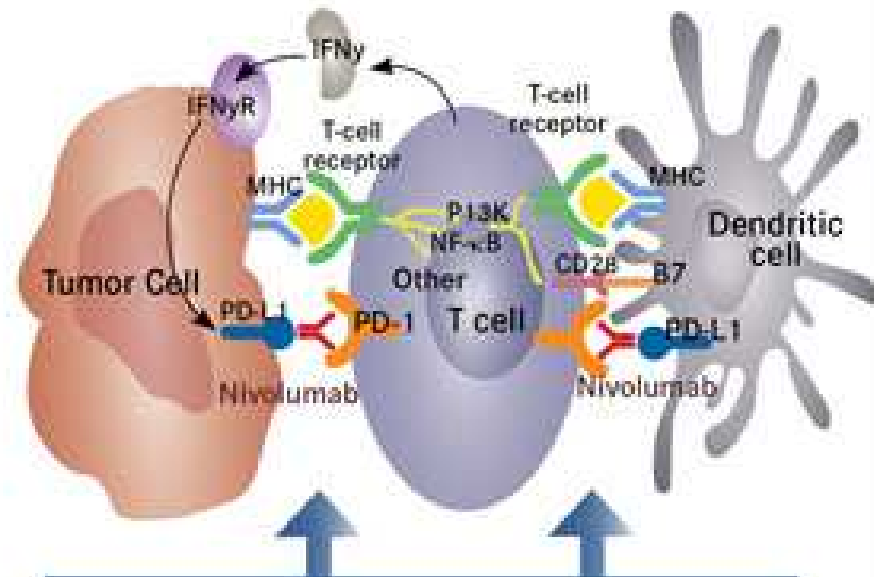
Recognition of tumor by T cell through MHC/antigen mediates IFN γ release and PD-L1 upregulation on tumor



PD-1/PD-L1 interaction mediates inhibition of T-cell-mediated tumor cell killing

PD-1/PD-L1 interaction mediates inhibition of T-cell activation

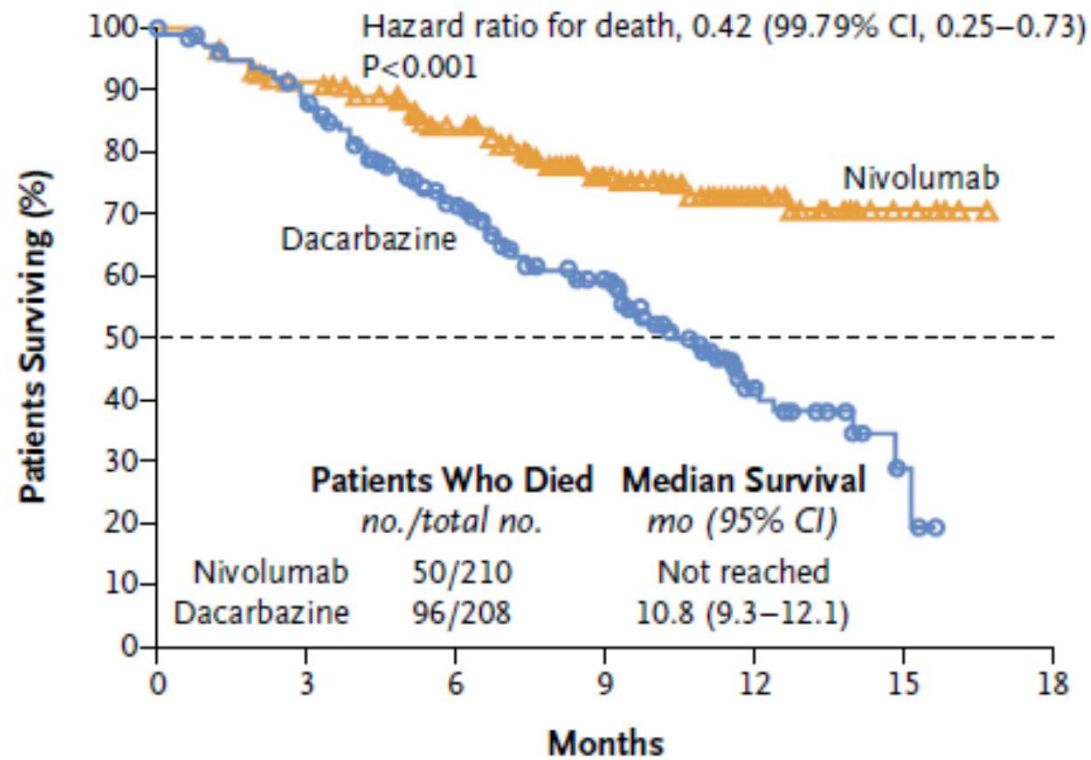
Priming and activation of T cells through MHC/antigen and CD28/B7 interactions with antigen-presenting cells



Blockade of PD-1 and PD-L1 results in reactivation of T-cell-mediated tumor cell killing

Nivolumab in treatment-naïve patients with unresectable stage III or IV Melanoma without BRAF mutation (I)

A Overall Survival

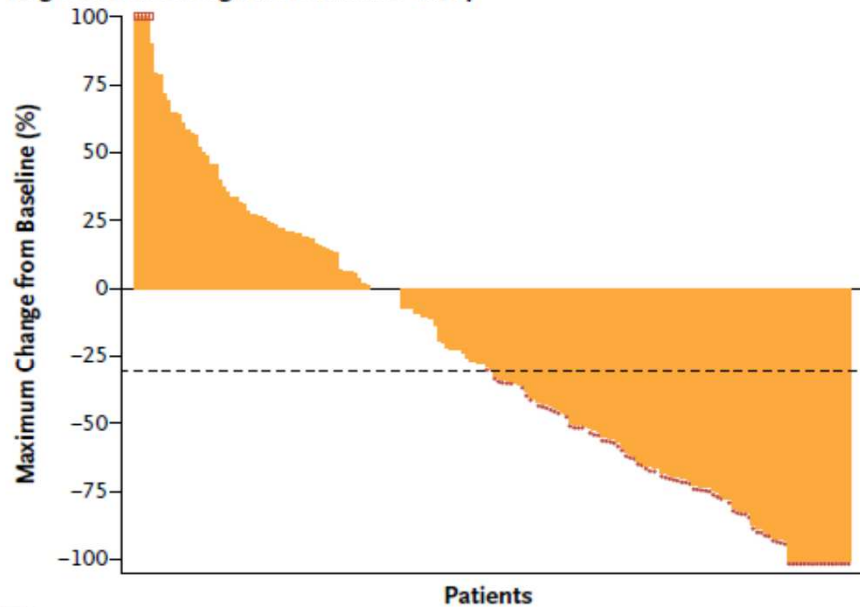


No. at Risk

Nivolumab	210	185	150	105	45	8	0
Dacarbazine	208	177	123	82	22	3	0

Nivolumab in treatment-naïve patients with unresectable stage III or IV Melanoma without BRAF mutation (II)

A Target-Lesion Change in Nivolumab Group



B Target-Lesion Change in Dacarbazine Group

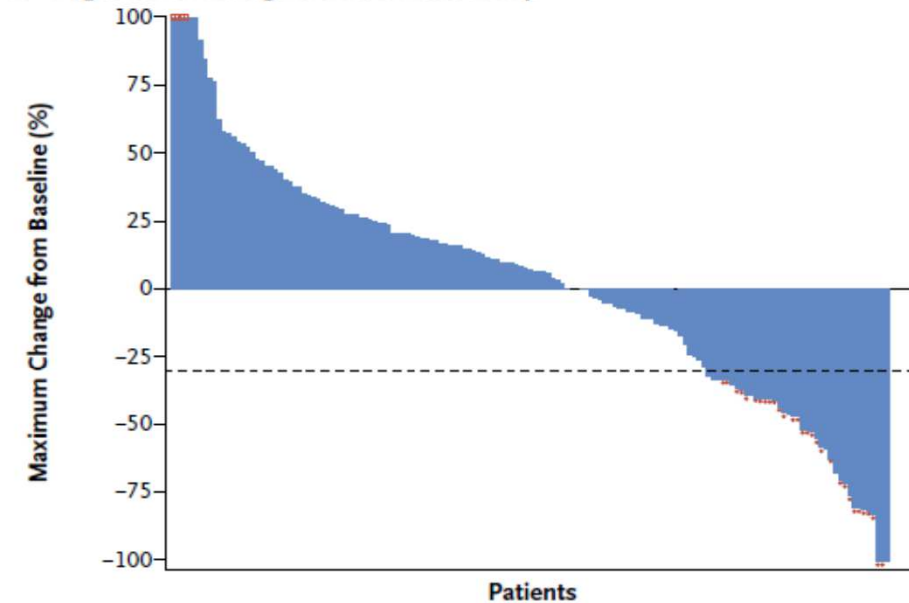


Table 2. Response to Treatment.*

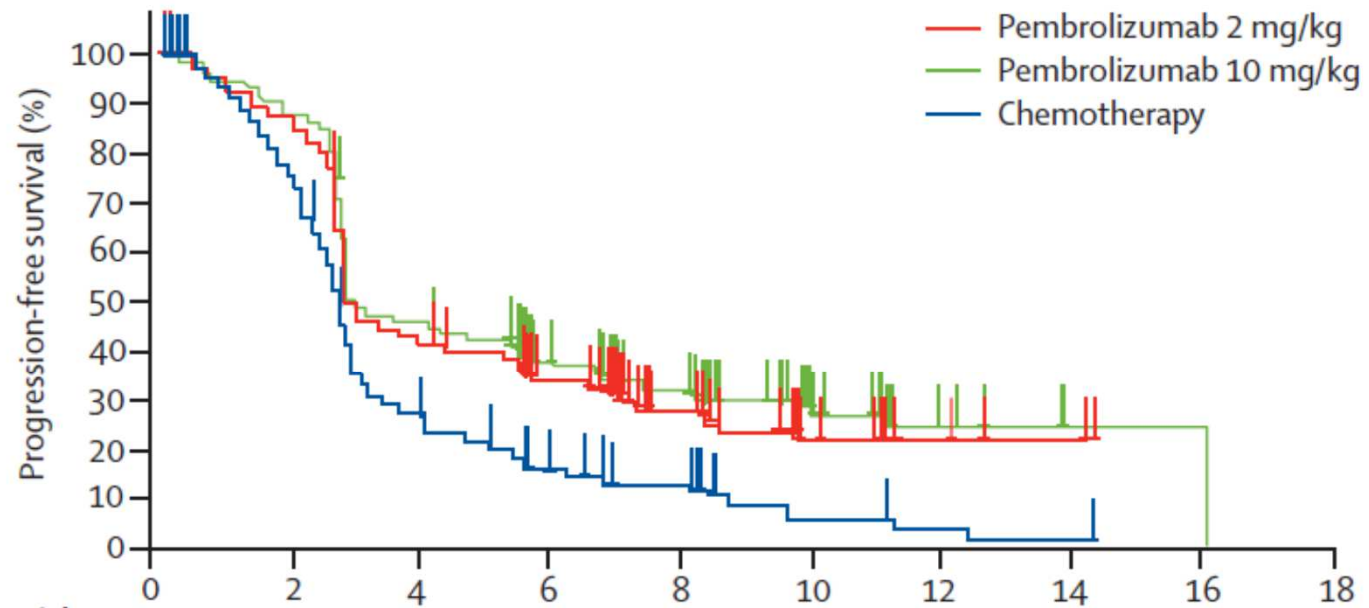
Response	Nivolumab (N= 210)	Dacarbazine (N= 208)
Best overall response — no. (%)†		
Complete response	16 (7.6)	2 (1.0)
Partial response	68 (32.4)	27 (13.0)
Stable disease	35 (16.7)	46 (22.1)
Progressive disease	69 (32.9)	101 (48.6)
Could not be determined	22 (10.5)	32 (15.4)

Nivolumab in treatment-naïve patients with unresectable stage III or IV Melanoma without BRAF mutation (III)

Table 3. Adverse Events.*

Event	Nivolumab (N= 206)		Dacarbazine (N= 205)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4 <i>no. of patients with event (%)</i>	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4
Any adverse event	192 (93.2)	70 (34.0)	194 (94.6)	78 (38.0)
Treatment-related adverse event†	153 (74.3)	24 (11.7)	155 (75.6)	36 (17.6)
Fatigue	41 (19.9)	0	30 (14.6)	2 (1.0)
Pruritus	35 (17.0)	1 (0.5)	11 (5.4)	0
Nausea	34 (16.5)	0	85 (41.5)	0
Diarrhea	33 (16.0)	2 (1.0)	32 (15.6)	1 (0.5)
Rash	31 (15.0)	1 (0.5)	6 (2.9)	0
Vitiligo	22 (10.7)	0	1 (0.5)	0
Constipation	22 (10.7)	0	25 (12.2)	0
Asthenia	21 (10.2)	0	25 (12.2)	1 (0.5)
Vomiting	13 (6.3)	1 (0.5)	43 (21.0)	1 (0.5)
Neutropenia	0	0	23 (11.2)	9 (4.4)
Thrombocytopenia	0	0	21 (10.2)	10 (4.9)
Adverse event leading to discontinuation of treatment	14 (6.8)	12 (5.8)	24 (11.7)	19 (9.3)
Serious adverse event				
Any event	64 (31.1)	43 (20.9)	78 (38.0)	54 (26.3)
Treatment-related event	19 (9.2)	12 (5.8)	18 (8.8)	12 (5.9)

Pembrolizumab versus investigator-choice chemotherapy

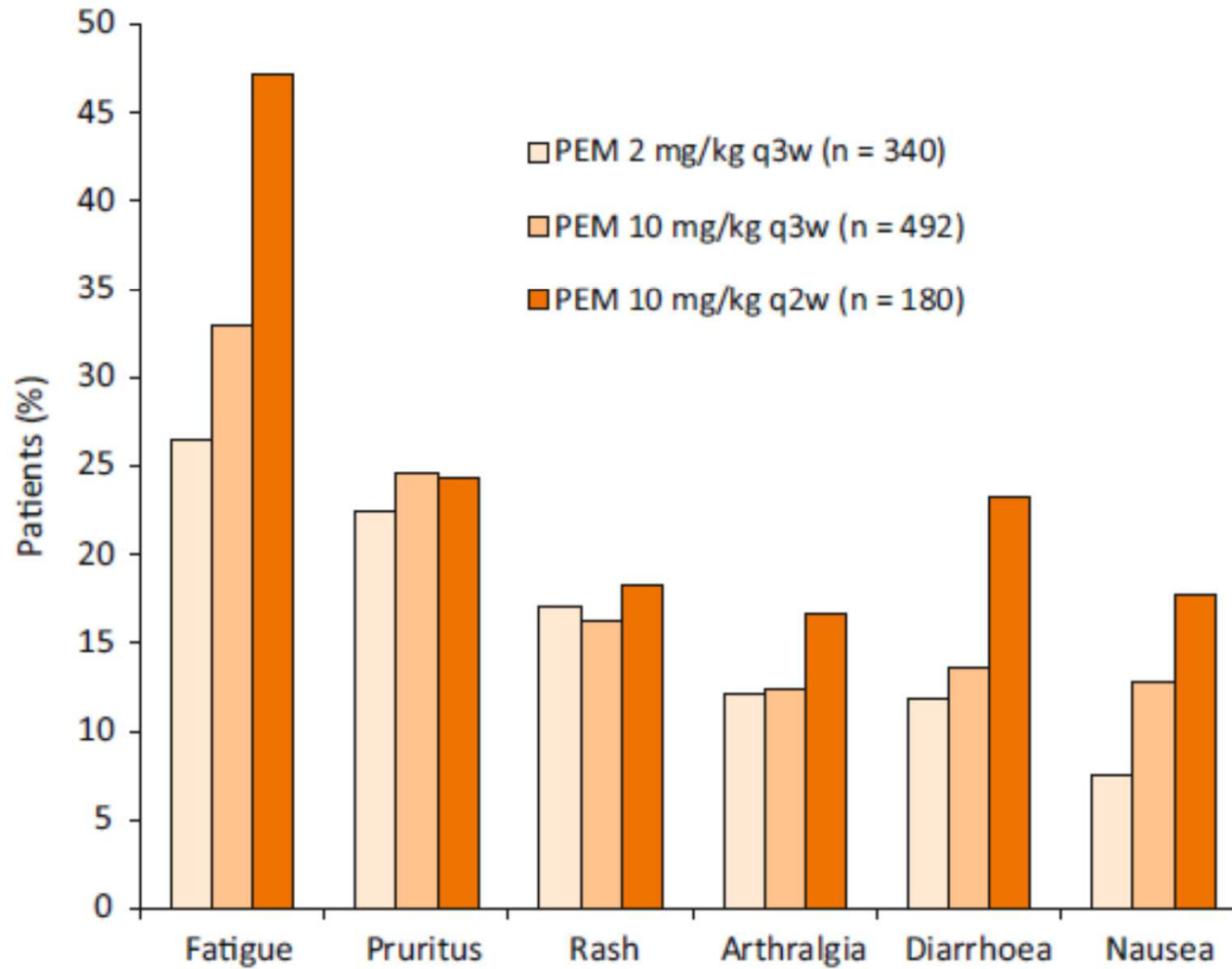


Number at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
Pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg	180	153	74	53	26	9	4	2	0	0
Pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg	181	158	82	55	39	15	5	1	1	0
Chemotherapy	179	128	43	22	15	4	2	1	0	0

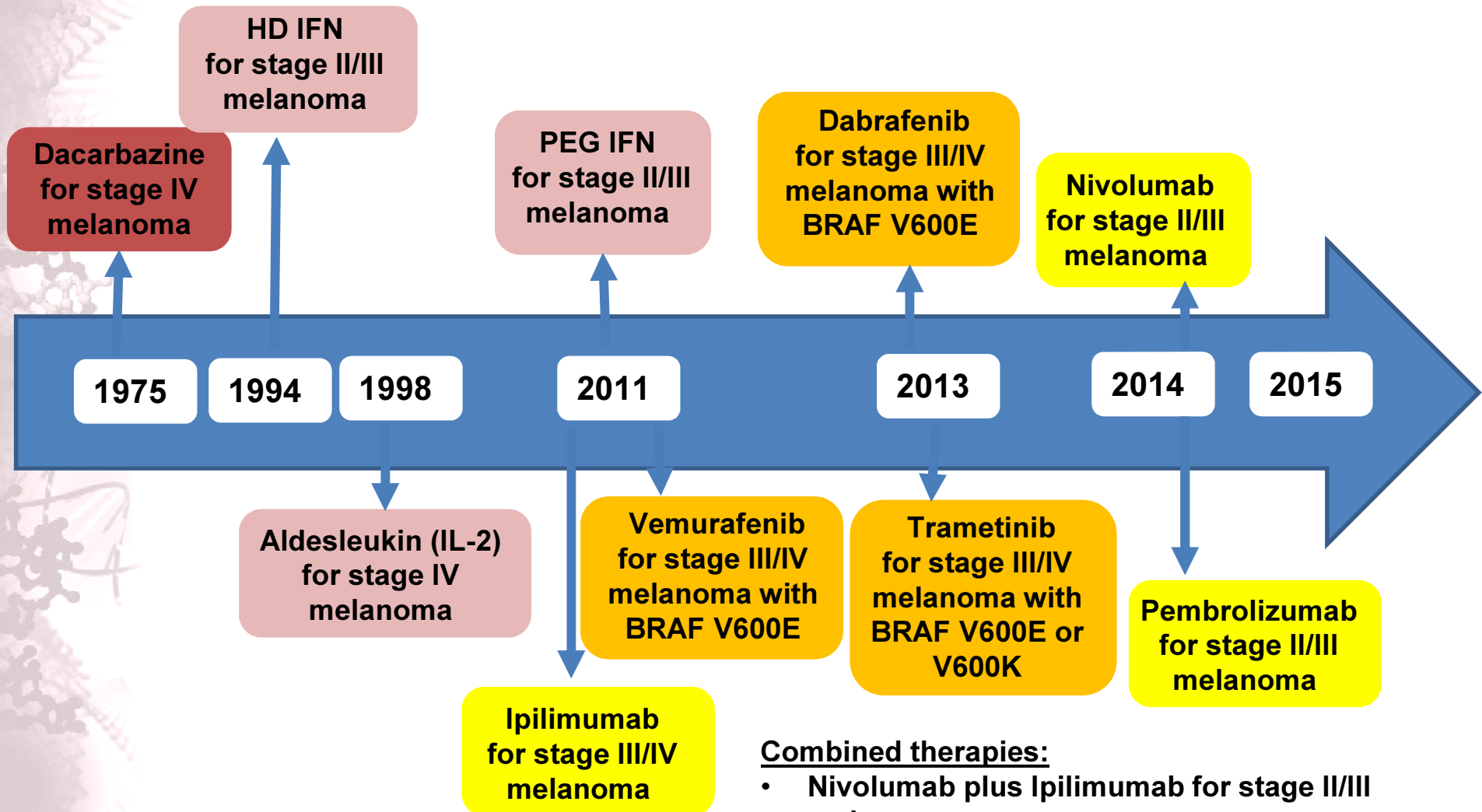
	Pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg (n=180)	Pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg (n=181)	Chemotherapy control (n=179)
Best overall response assessed per RECIST v1.1, by independent central review			
Complete response	4 (2%)	5 (3%)	0
Partial response	34 (19%)	41 (23%)	8 (4%)
Stable disease	32 (18%)	31 (17%)	33 (18%)
Progressive disease	84 (47%)	86 (48%)	111 (62%)
Not evaluable	26** (14%)	18 (10%)	27 (15%)

Ribas A, et al. *Lancet*. 2015; 16:908-18.

Pembrolizumab treatment-related adverse events



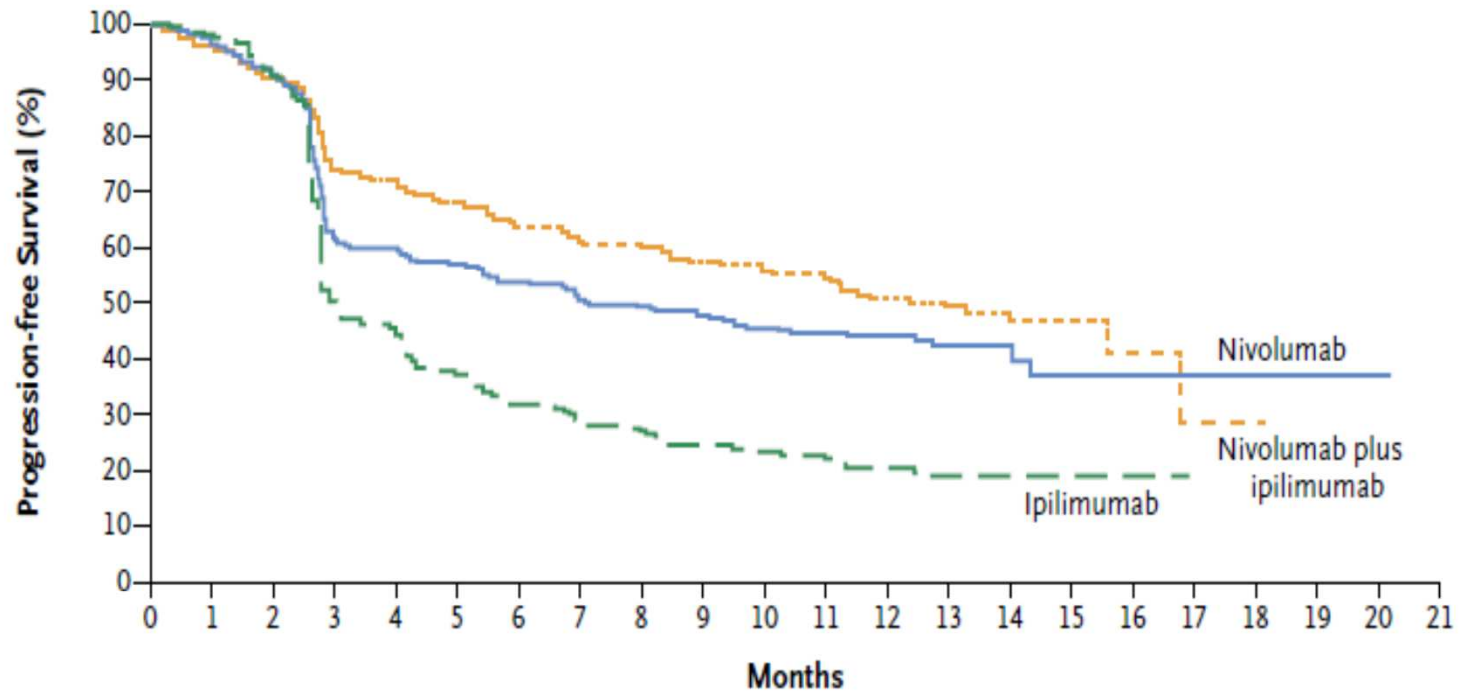
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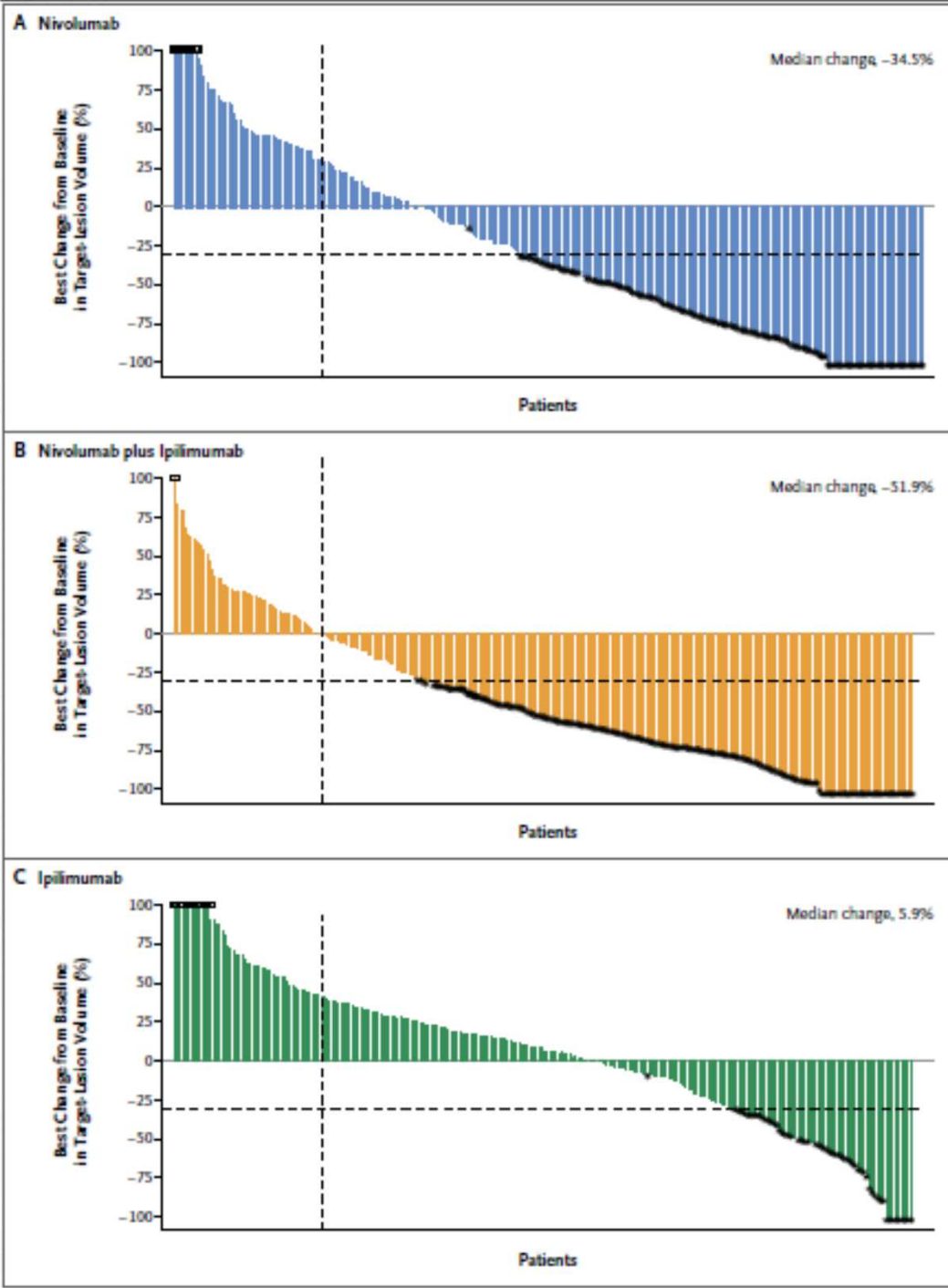
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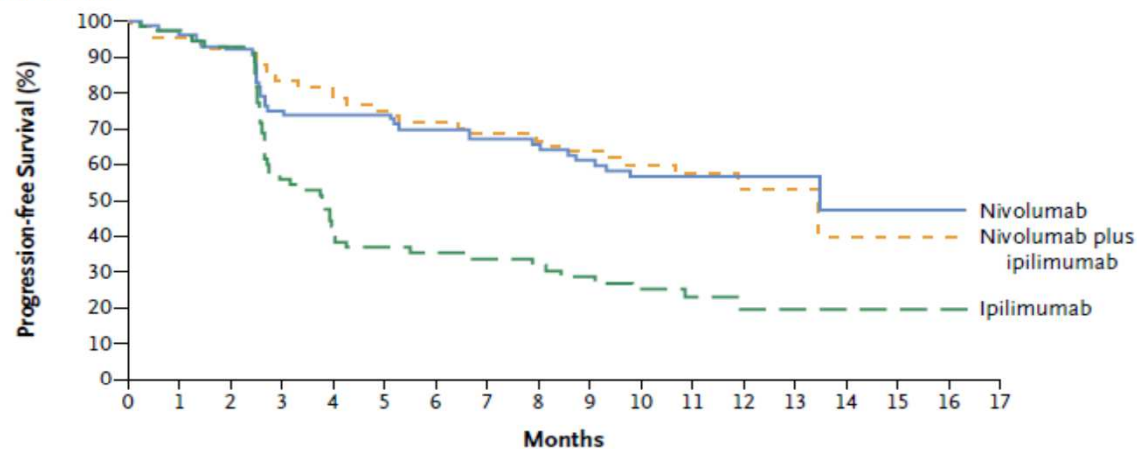
Nivolumab	316	292	271	177	170	160	147	136	132	124	106	86	50	38	14	9	6	2	1	1	1	0
Nivolumab plus ipilimumab	314	293	275	219	208	191	173	164	163	151	137	116	65	54	18	11	7	2	1	0	0	0
Ipilimumab	315	285	265	137	118	95	77	68	63	54	47	42	24	17	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0

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Combined Nivolumab and Ipilimumab or Monotherapy (III)

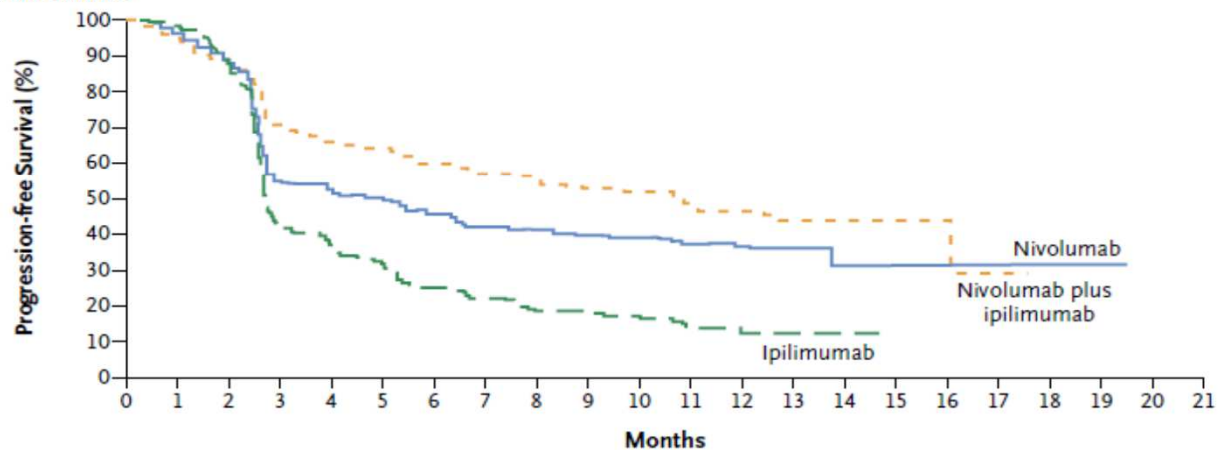
B Patients with PD-L1-Positive Tumors



No. at Risk

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

C Patients with PD-L1-Negative Tumors



No. at Risk

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

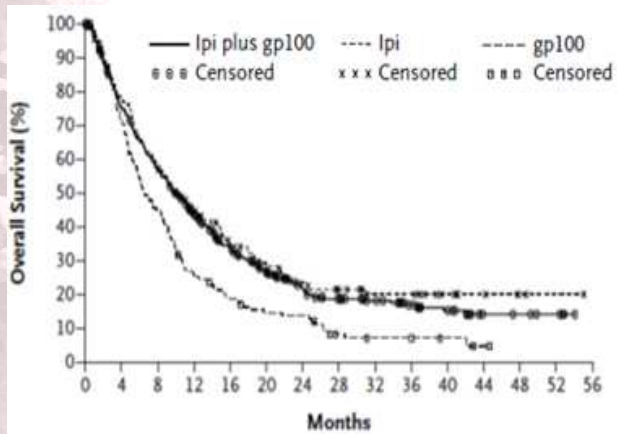
Combined Nivolumab and Ipilimumab or Monotherapy (IV)

Table 3. Adverse Events.*

Event	Nivolumab (N=313)		Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab (N=313)		Ipilimumab (N=311)	
	Any	Grade 3 or 4	Any	Grade 3 or 4	Any	Grade 3 or 4
	<i>number of patients with event (percent)</i>					
Any adverse event	311 (99.4)	136 (43.5)	312 (99.7)	215 (68.7)	308 (99.0)	173 (55.6)
Treatment-related adverse event†	257 (82.1)	51 (16.3)	299 (95.5)	172 (55.0)	268 (86.2)	85 (27.3)
Diarrhea	60 (19.2)	7 (2.2)	138 (44.1)	29 (9.3)	103 (33.1)	19 (6.1)
Fatigue	107 (34.2)	4 (1.3)	110 (35.1)	13 (4.2)	87 (28.0)	3 (1.0)
Pruritus	59 (18.8)	0	104 (33.2)	6 (1.9)	110 (35.4)	1 (0.3)
Rash	81 (25.9)	2 (0.6)	126 (40.3)	15 (4.8)	102 (32.8)	6 (1.9)
Nausea	41 (13.1)	0	81 (25.9)	7 (2.2)	50 (16.1)	2 (0.6)
Pyrexia	18 (5.8)	0	58 (18.5)	2 (0.6)	21 (6.8)	1 (0.3)
Decreased appetite	34 (10.9)	0	56 (17.9)	4 (1.3)	39 (12.5)	1 (0.3)
Increase in alanine amino- transferase level	12 (3.8)	4 (1.3)	55 (17.6)	26 (8.3)	12 (3.9)	5 (1.6)
Vomiting	20 (6.4)	1 (0.3)	48 (15.3)	8 (2.6)	23 (7.4)	1 (0.3)
Increase in aspartate amino- transferase level	12 (3.8)	3 (1.0)	48 (15.3)	19 (6.1)	11 (3.5)	2 (0.6)
Hypothyroidism	27 (8.6)	0	47 (15.0)	1 (0.3)	13 (4.2)	0
Colitis	4 (1.3)	2 (0.6)	37 (11.8)	24 (7.7)	36 (11.6)	27 (8.7)
Arthralgia	24 (7.7)	0	33 (10.5)	1 (0.3)	19 (6.1)	0
Headache	23 (7.3)	0	32 (10.2)	1 (0.3)	24 (7.7)	1 (0.3)
Dyspnea	14 (4.5)	1 (0.3)	32 (10.2)	2 (0.6)	13 (4.2)	0
Treatment-related adverse event leading to discontinuation	24 (7.7)	16 (5.1)	114 (36.4)	92 (29.4)	46 (14.8)	41 (13.2)

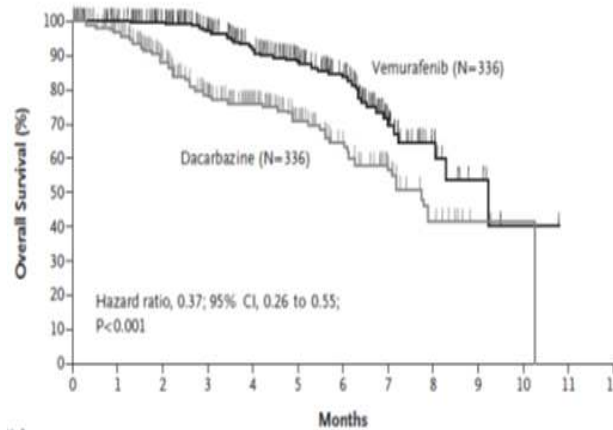
Combining Immunotherapy and Targeted Therapy

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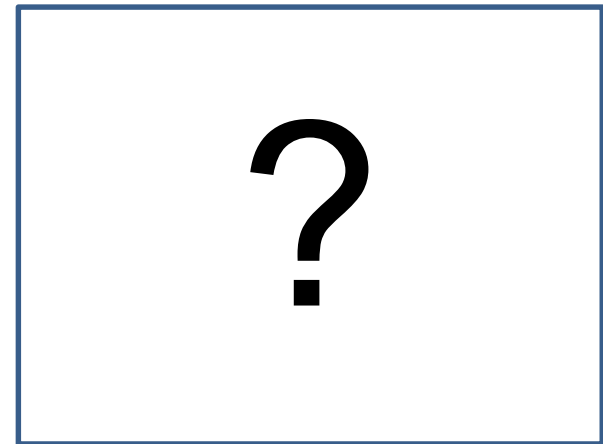
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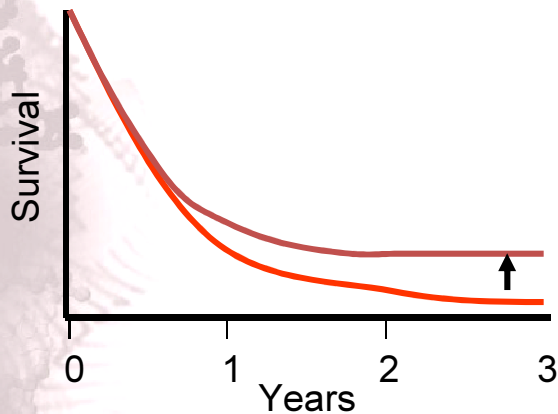


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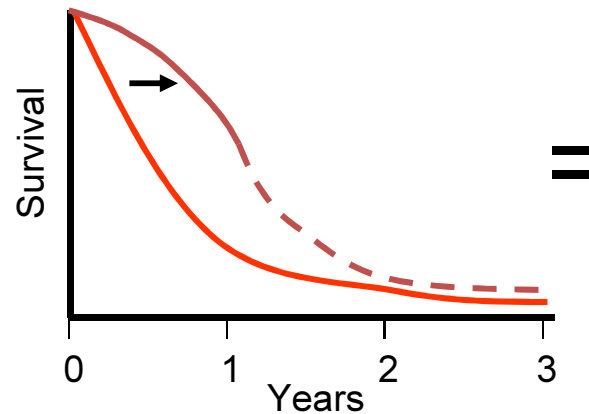
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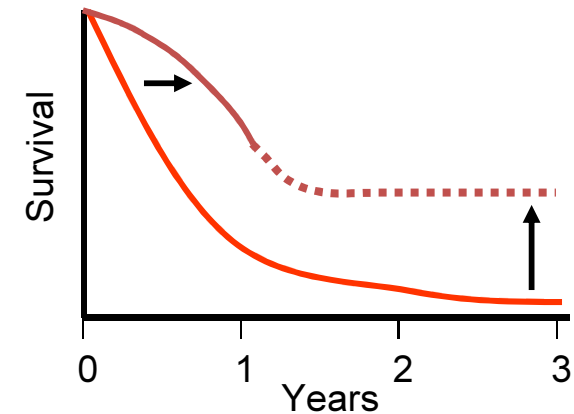
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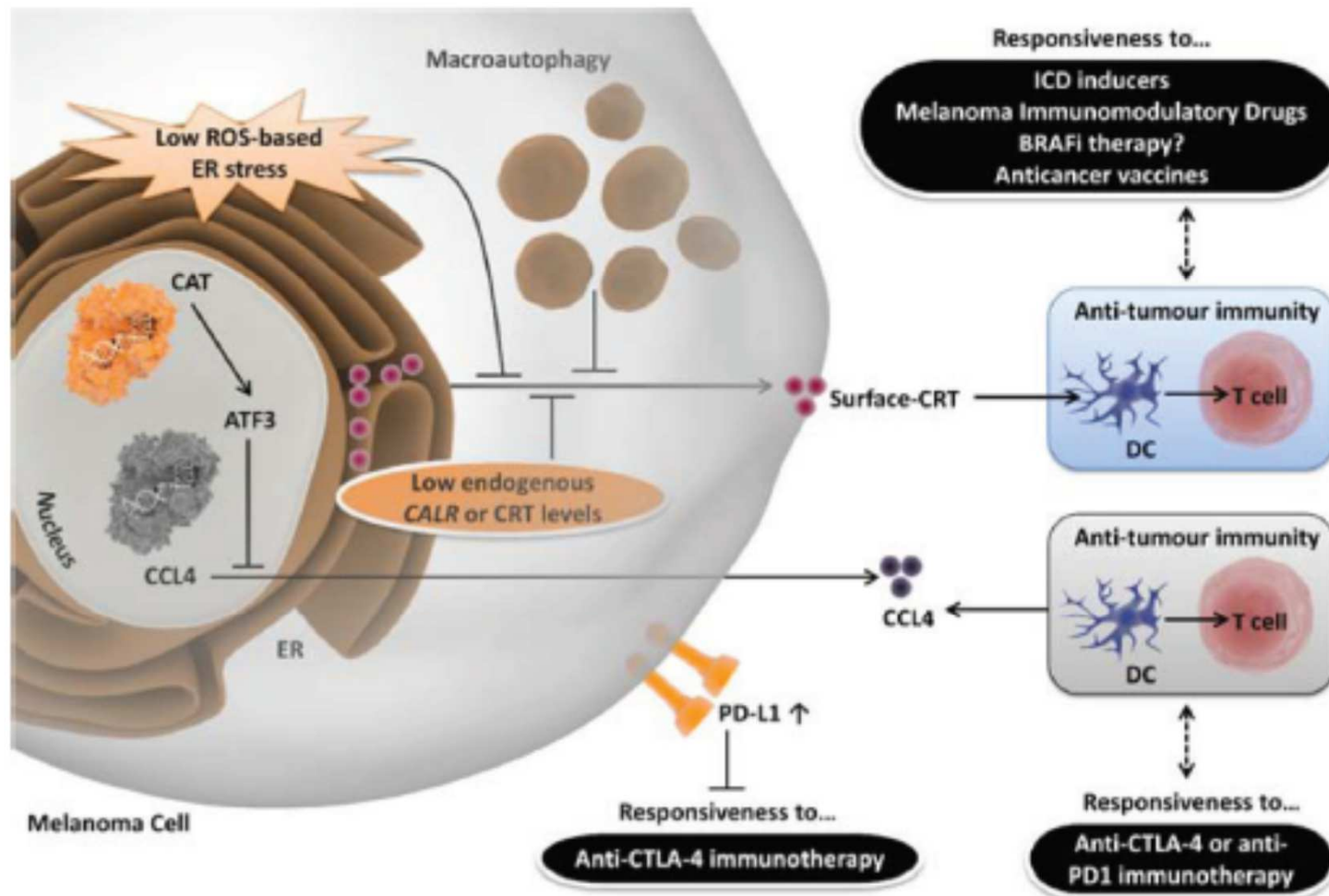


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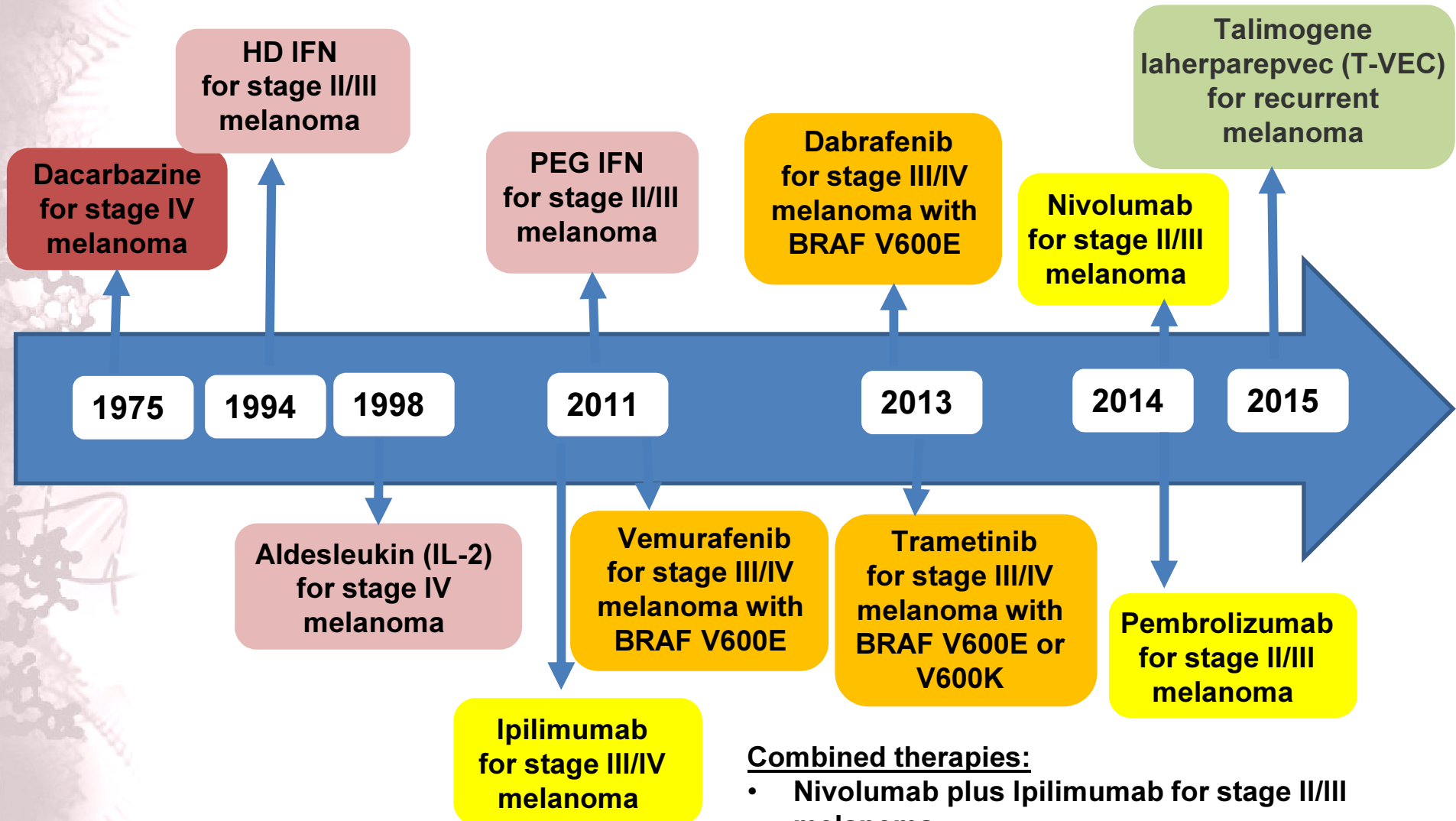


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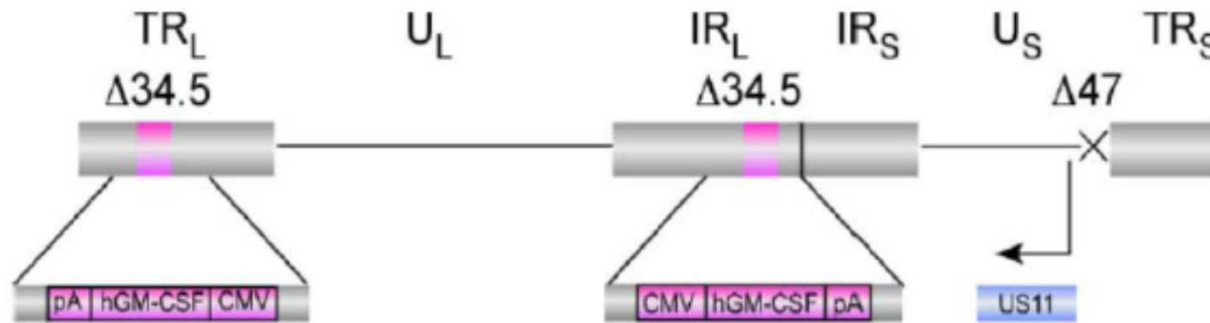


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T-VEC: An HSV-1 Derived Oncolytic Immunotherapy

Genomic structure of T-VEC:



Mode of action:

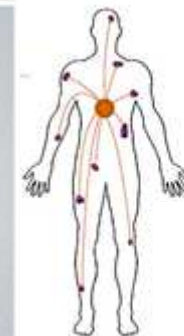
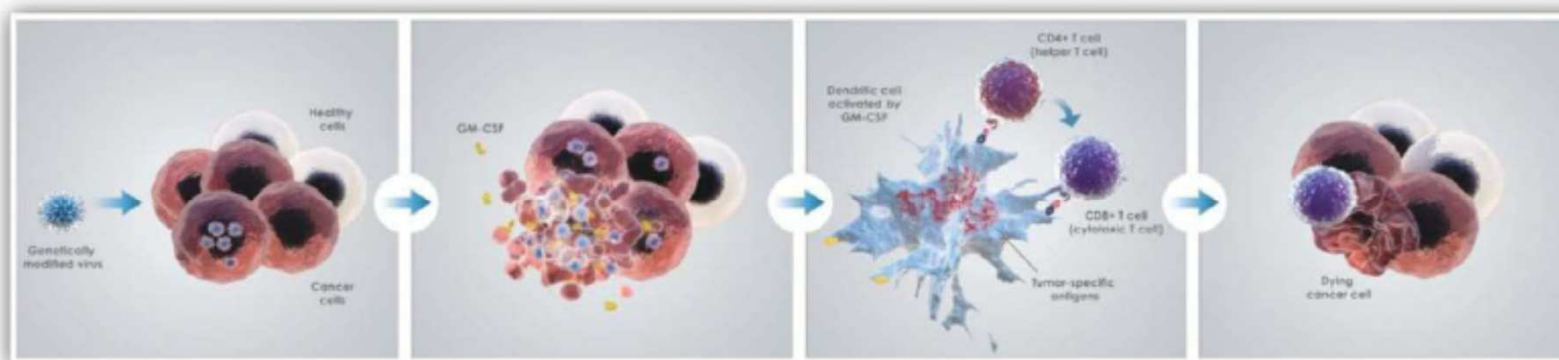
Produce Both Local and Systemic Effects

Selective viral replication
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Tumor cells rupture for an
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Systemic tumor-specific
immune response

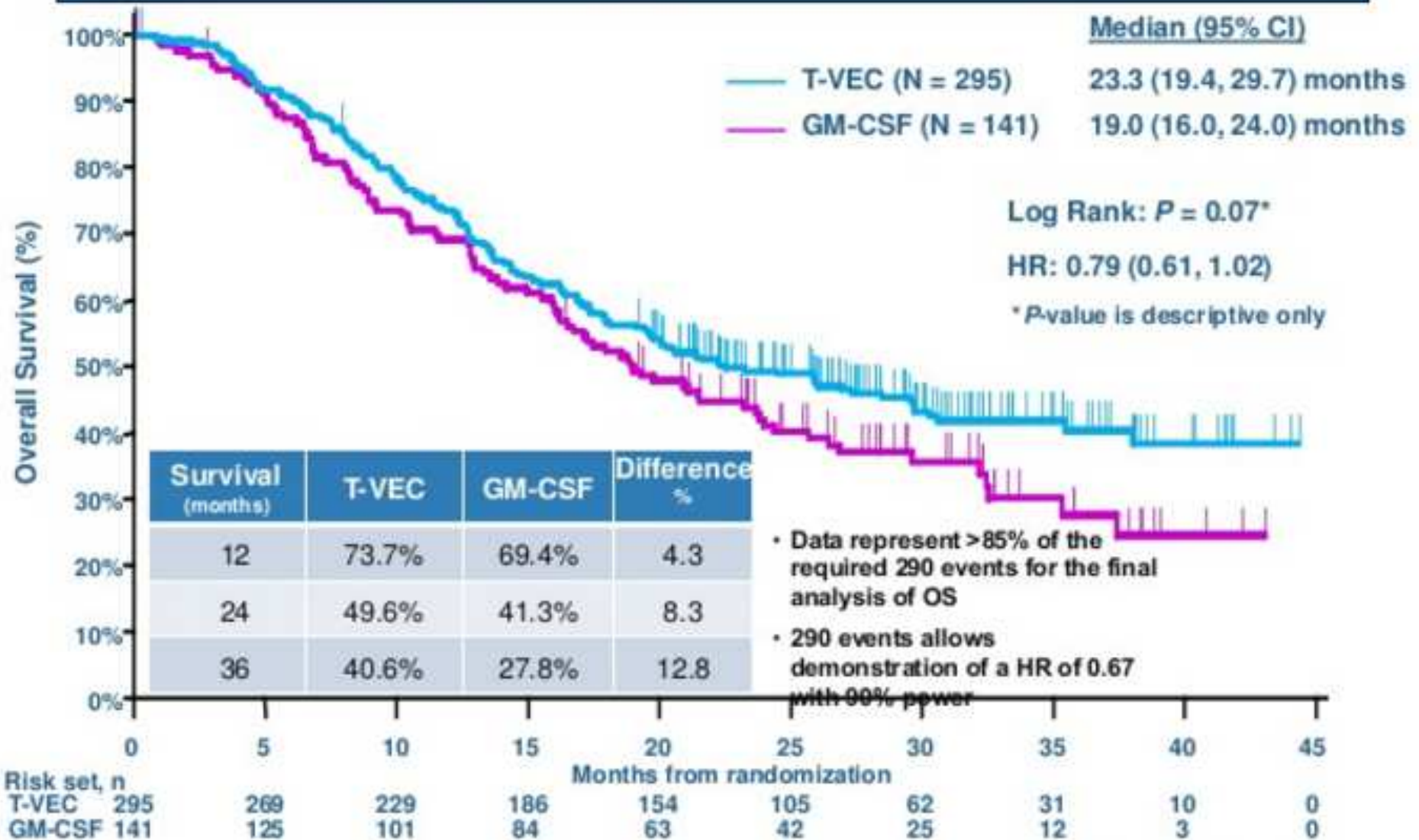
Death of distant cancer
cells



← Local Effect: Tumor Cell Lysis →

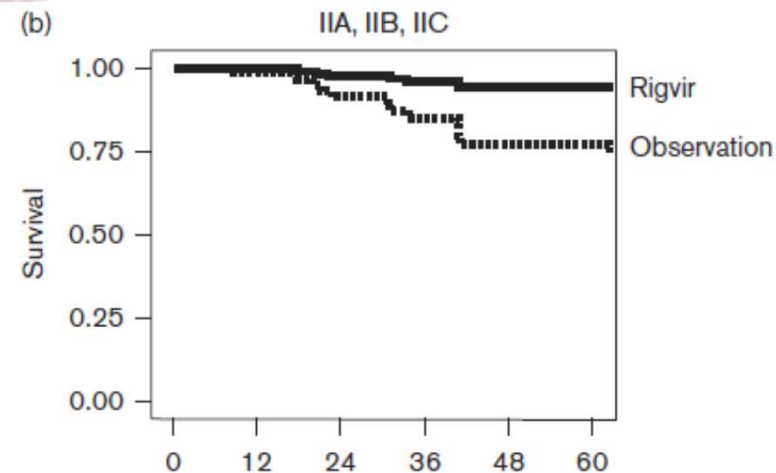
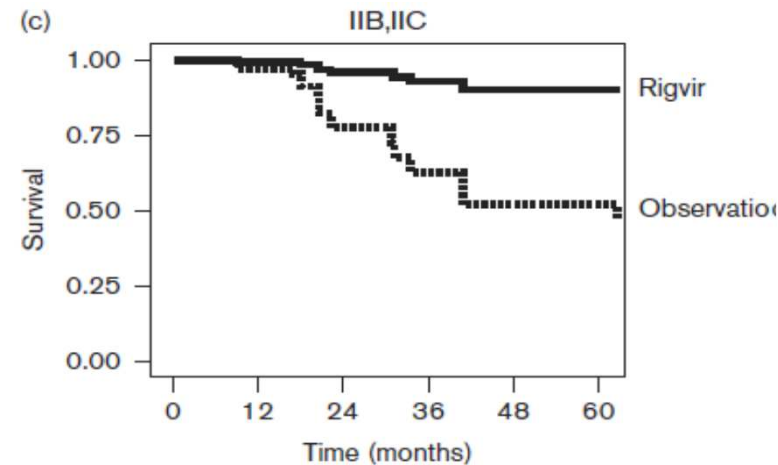
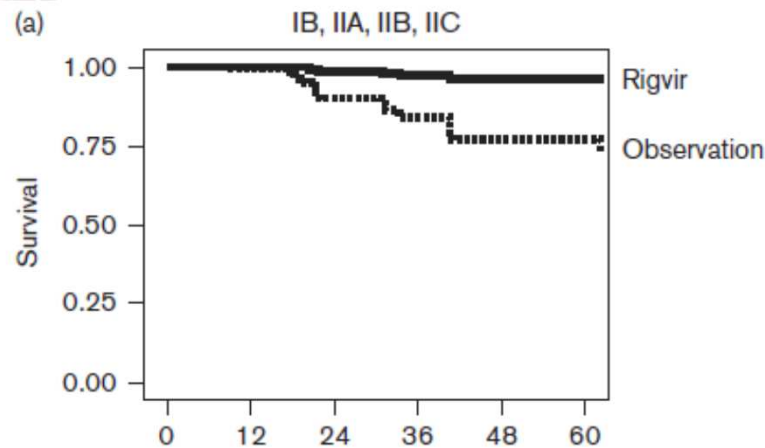
← Systemic Effect: Tumor-Specific Immune Response →

Interim Overall Survival (ITT)



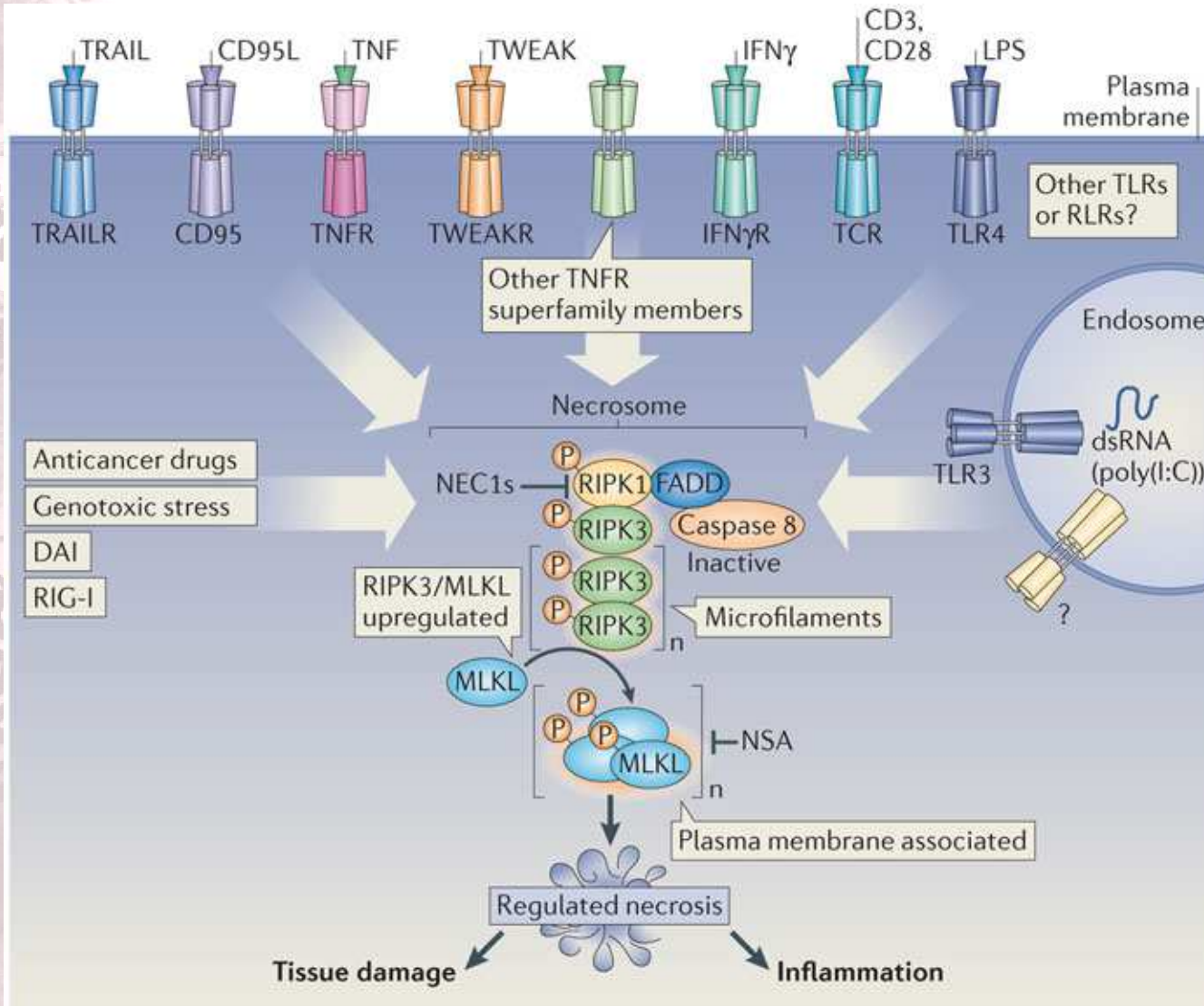
Oncolytic Immunotherapy with Echo-7 virus (Rigvir)

Registered in Latvia for melanoma, melanoma cutaneous and subcutaneous metastasis treatment, prevention of relapse and metastasis after radical surgery.



Cox regression analysis plots of survival of melanoma patients following surgery. P is the statistical significance of the difference between the Rigvir (—) group and the observation according to current guidelines (observation) group (- - -) after adjustment for age, sex and substage; hazard ratio (HR), 95% confidence interval (CI). (a) Substages IB, IIA, IIB, IIC, Rigvir ($N=52$), observation ($N=27$), $P < 0.005$, HR = 6.27 (CI: 1.75–22.43). (b) Substages II (A, B, C), Rigvir ($N=35$), observation ($N=22$), $P < 0.032$, HR = 4.39 (CI: 1.14–16.98). (c) Substages IIB and IIC, Rigvir ($N=19$), observation ($N=17$), $P < 0.014$, HR = 6.57 (CI: 1.47–29.46).

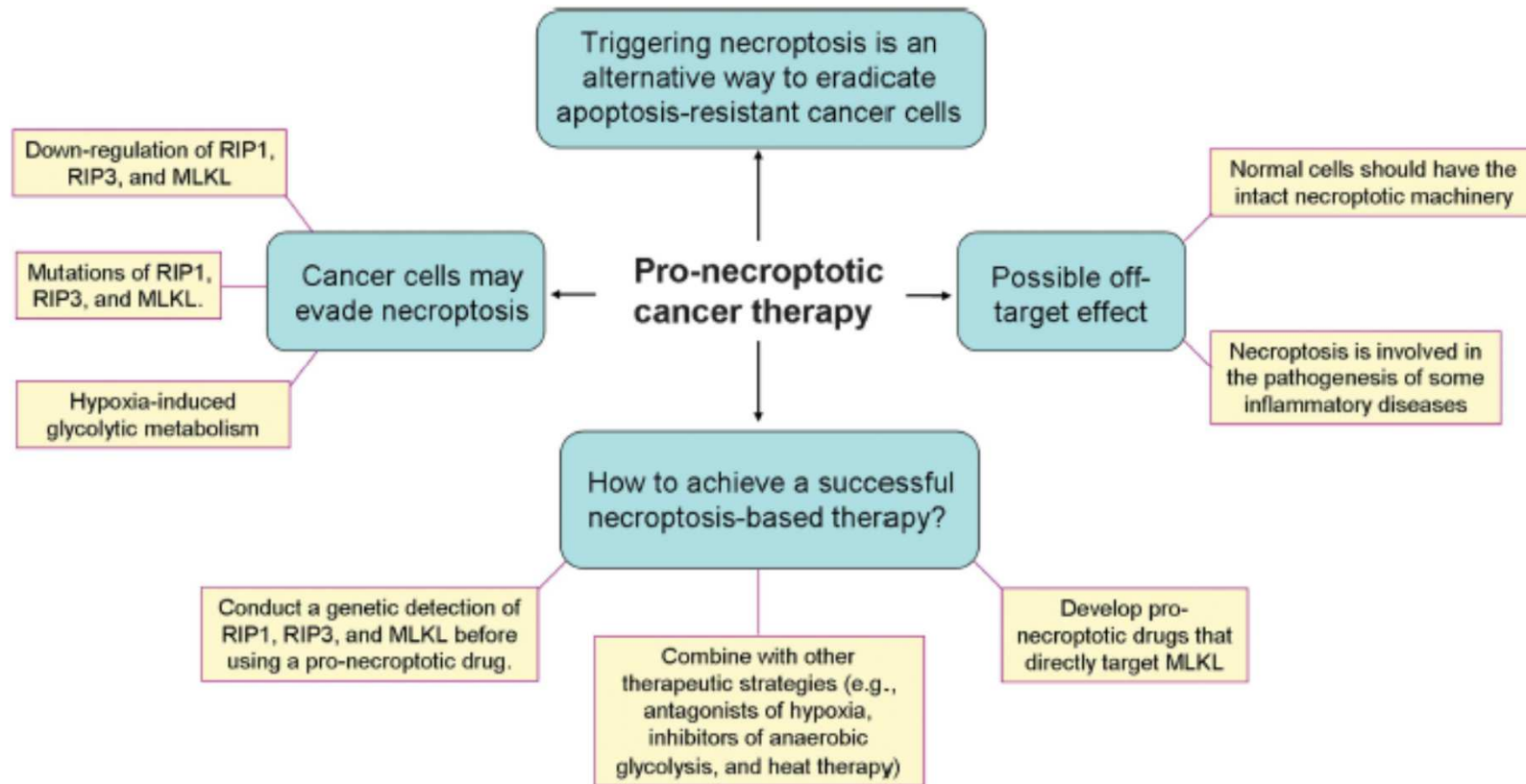
Therapeutic exploitation of regulated necrosis (necroptosis) for cancer therapy



Necroptosis induction by activation:

- TNF receptor superfamily
- T cell receptors
- interferon receptors
- Toll-like receptors
- cellular metabolic and genotoxic stresses
- various anti-cancer agents

Pro-necroptotic cancer therapy





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