

Strategy, efficacy and safety of combination regimens using immunotherapy

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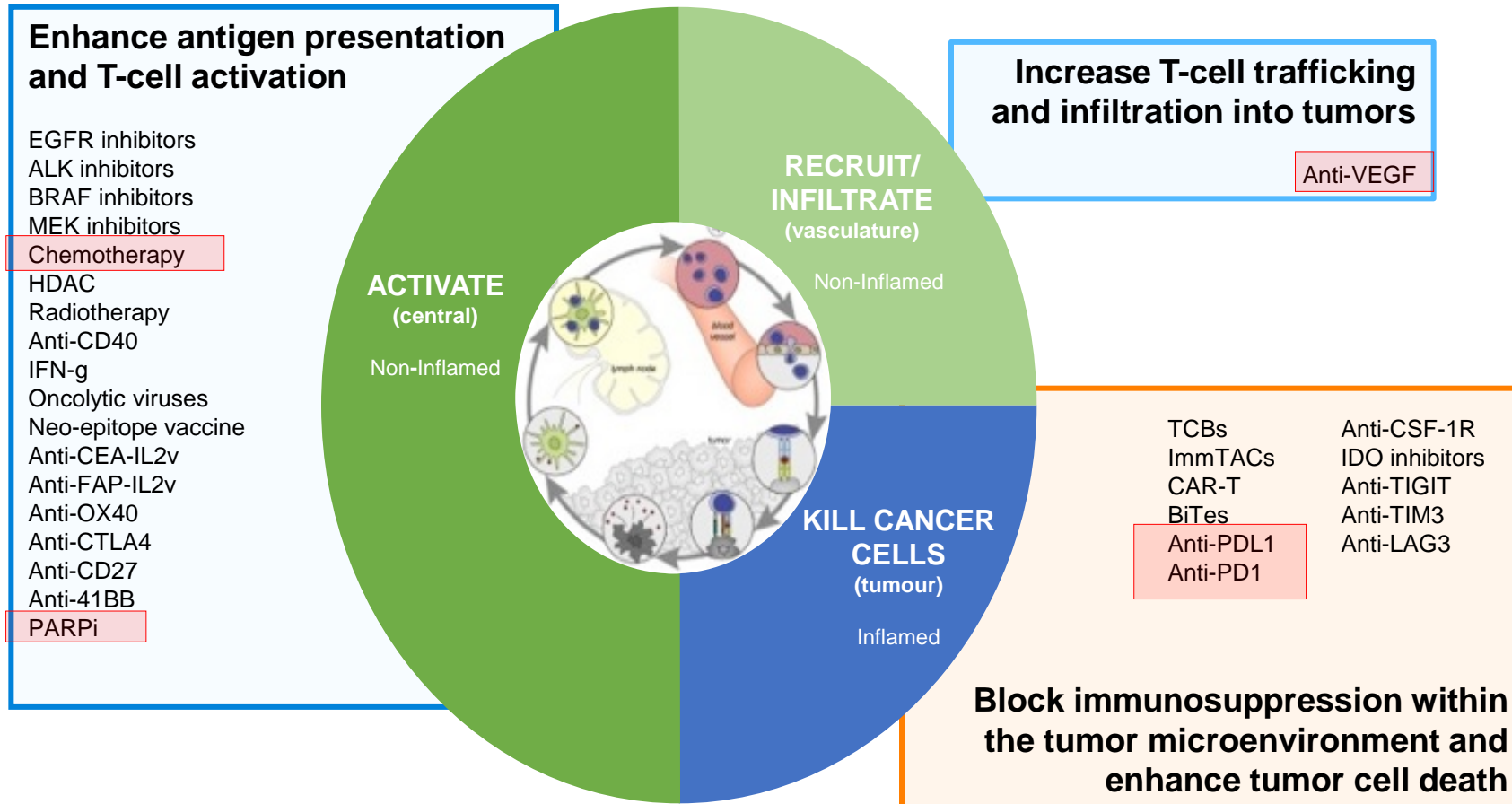
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Combination opportunities in cancer immunotherapy

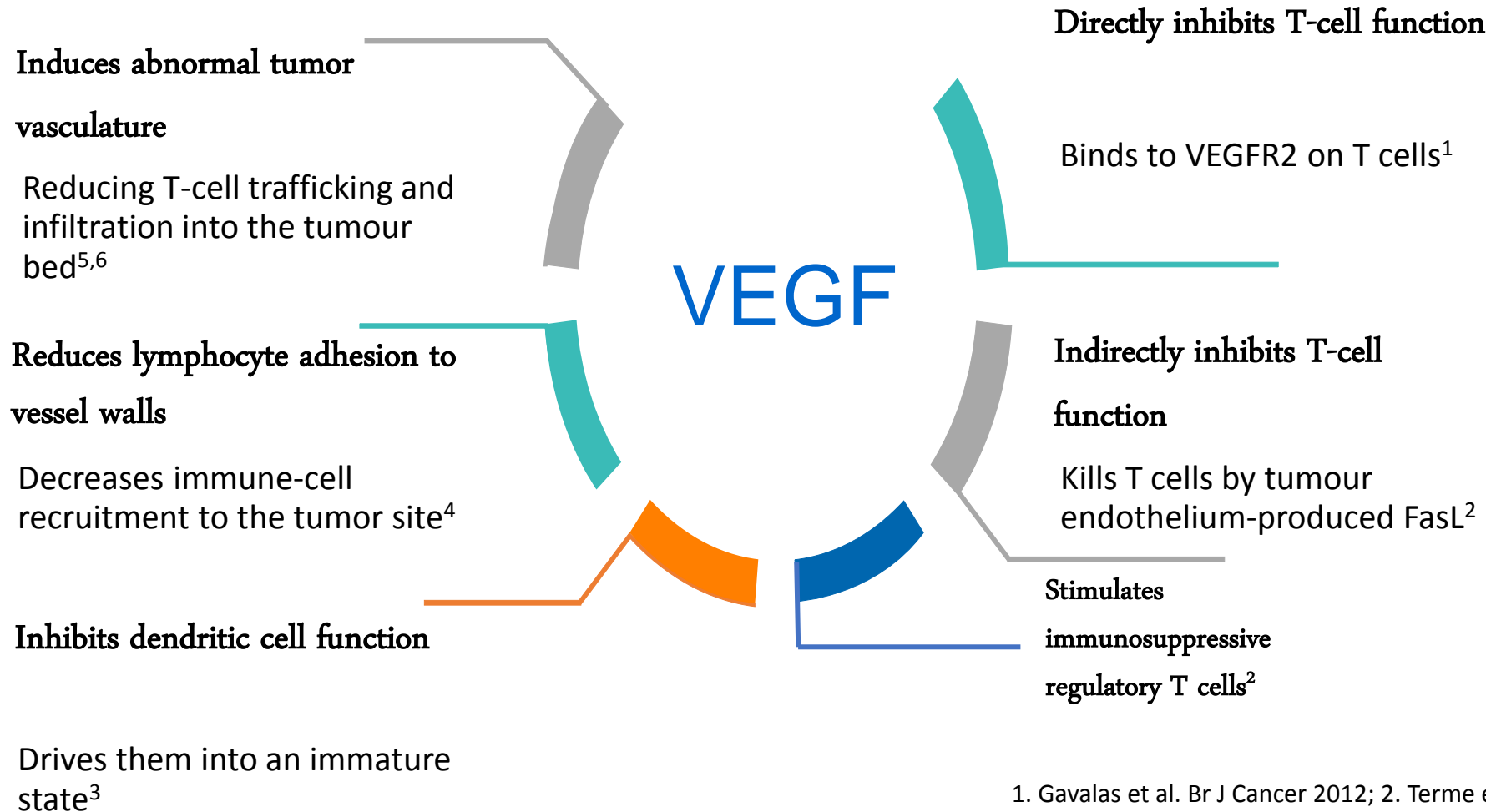


Novel combination strategies in development

- VEGFi + T cell modulators
- PARPi + I/O agents
 - PARP inhibition may increase immunogenicity
- I/O + chemotherapy
- I/O + I/O
- Triple Combos

I/O + VEGFi

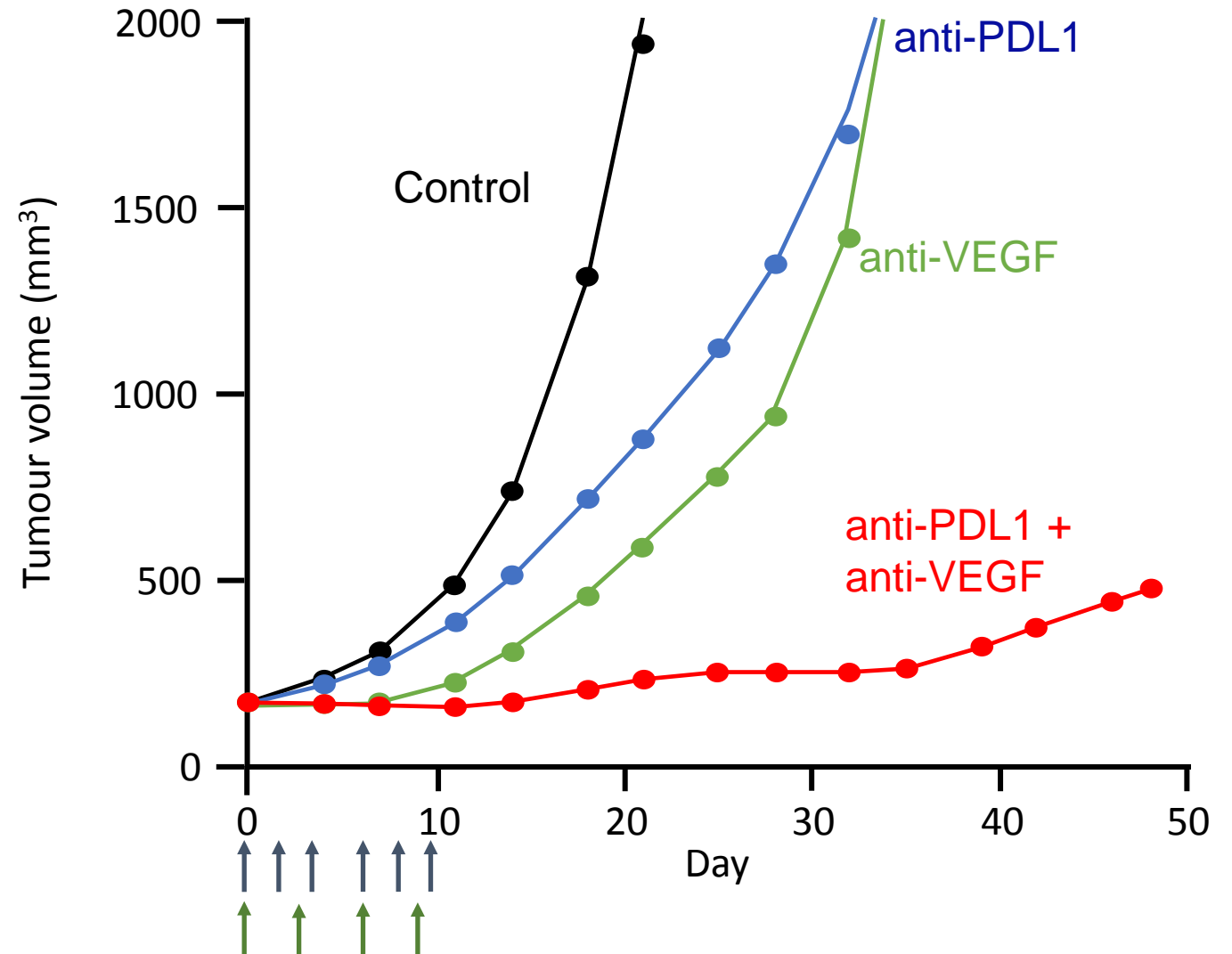
Rationale for combining cancer immunotherapy with anti-VEGF



1. Gavalas et al. Br J Cancer 2012;
2. Terme et al. Cancer Res 2013
3. Coukos. Br J Cancer 2005;
4. Bouzin et al. J Immunol 2007
5. Shrimali et al. Cancer Res 2010;
6. Chen & Mellman. Immunity 2013

Pre-clinical data for combining anti-PD-L1 and VEGF blockade

Combined treatment with these two agents synergistically inhibited tumour growth in the Cloudman mouse tumour model



Immunotherapy with bevacizumab



Roche
Atezolizumab (PDL1)

Atezo + bev 2L+ PR ovarian, CRC, RCC, NSCLC, TNBC, gastric n=240 Safety expansion cohort in 2L+ PR ovarian added in July, 2015. DLT Dec 2018

Vanucizumab + atezo 2L+ AST incl. PR/Ref ovarian n= 132 Atezo combo arm to be added in Q1 2016; vanucizumab mono extension cohort in PR ovarian (N=40) delivered ORR 20% and mPFS 3.7 mths. ORR Dec 2016. **ESMO 2017 data update**

Atezo ± bev ± aspirin vs. bev vs. atezo 2-4L PR ovarian n=160 EORTC-sponsored; 2-3L patients must have been exposed to an anti-VEGF; 6 mth-PFS Jan 2021

AstraZeneca
Durvalumab (PDL1)

Lynparza + durvalumab 2L+ AST n=421 NCI-sponsored; originally ovarian only (N=112); NSCLC, SCLC, mCRPC, TNBC and CRC cohorts added in Dec 2015; ORR Dec 2018

Merck
Pembrolizumab (PD1)

Pembro + aflibercept (VEGF-Trap) 2-3L PR n=36 NCI-sponsored, multiple tumor types including ovarian; safety Dec 2018

PEMBIB pembro + nintedanib 2L+ NSCLC, bladder, RCC, HCC, CRC, meso and ovarian n=18 **ESR. MTD Jul 2021**

Pembro + bev + CTX 2L+ ovarian n=40 **ESR. PFS Aug 2018**

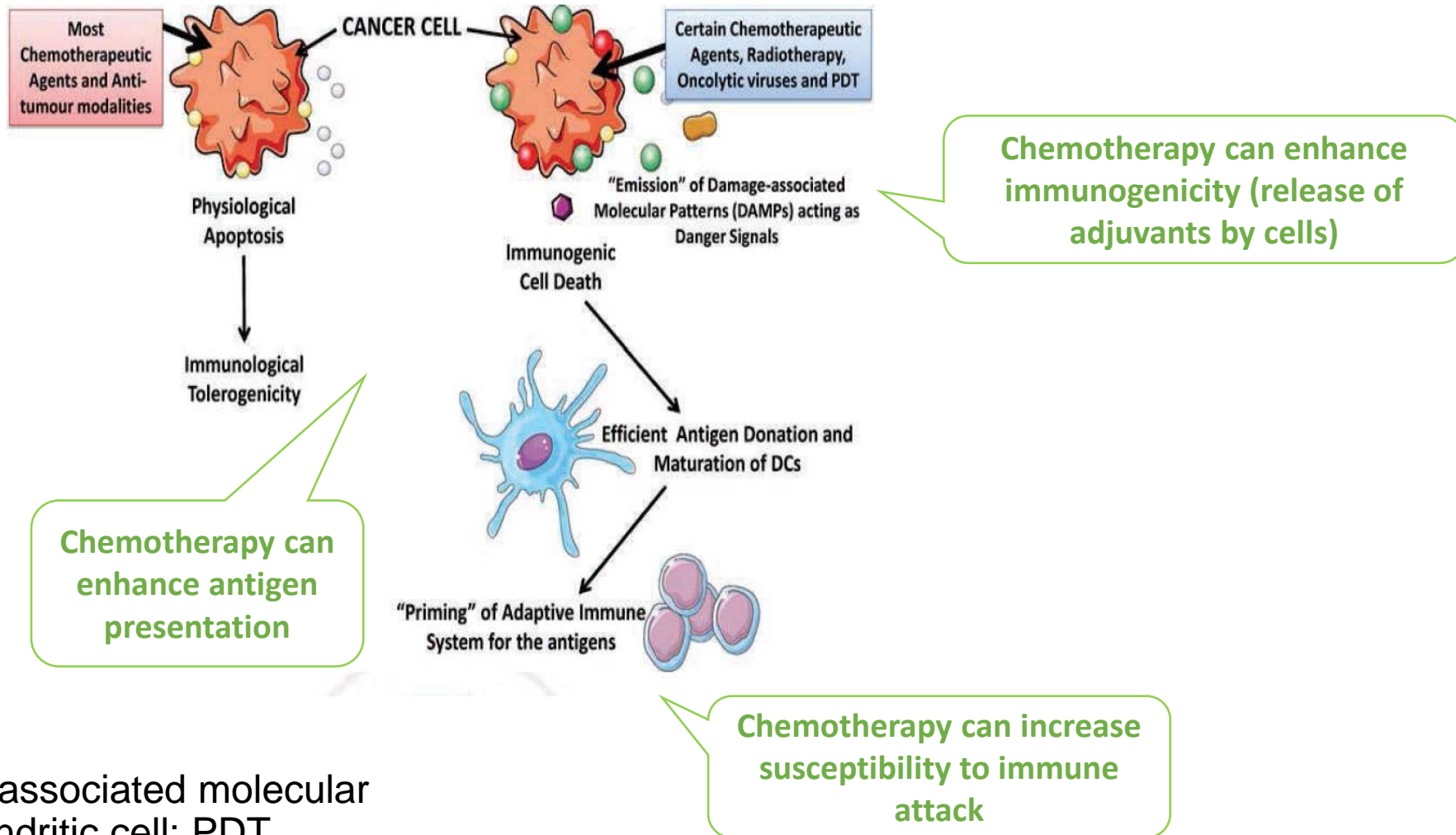
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BMS
Nivolumab (PD1)

Nivo + bev 2-4L ovarian n=38 **ESR. Prior bev exposure allowed; ORR Feb 2020**

I/O + chemo

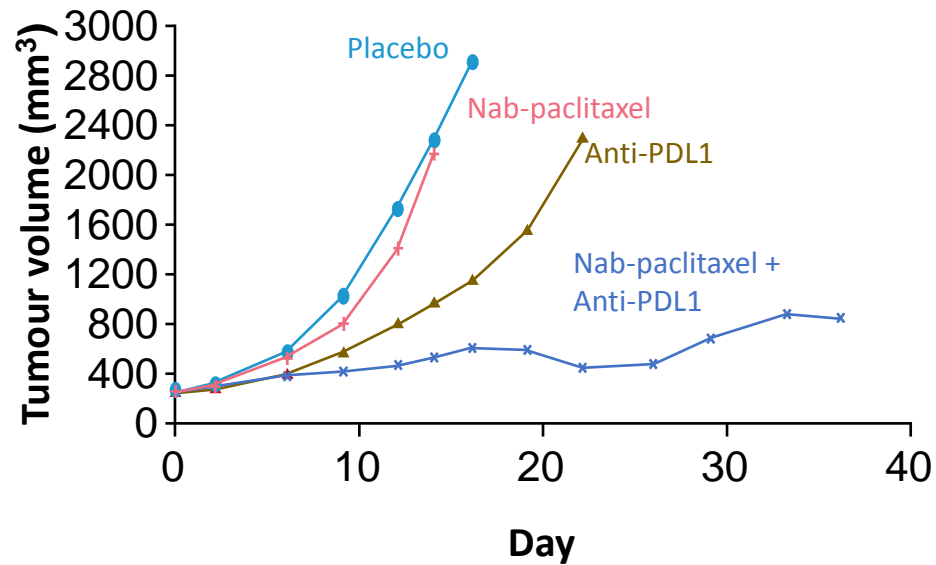
Immunogenicity of chemotherapy



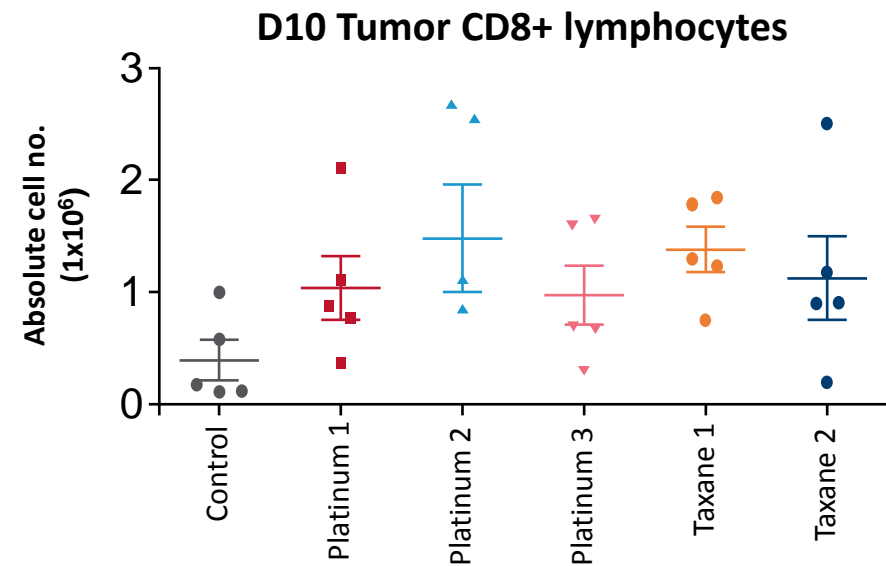
DAMPs, danger-associated molecular patterns; DC, dendritic cell; PDT, photodynamic therapy

Pre-clinical evidence for chemotherapy and anti-PDL1

Synergism of nab-paclitaxel plus anti-PDL1 in MC38 mouse tumour model



The synergism of nab-paclitaxel plus anti-PDL1 has been demonstrated in a MC38 mouse tumour model¹

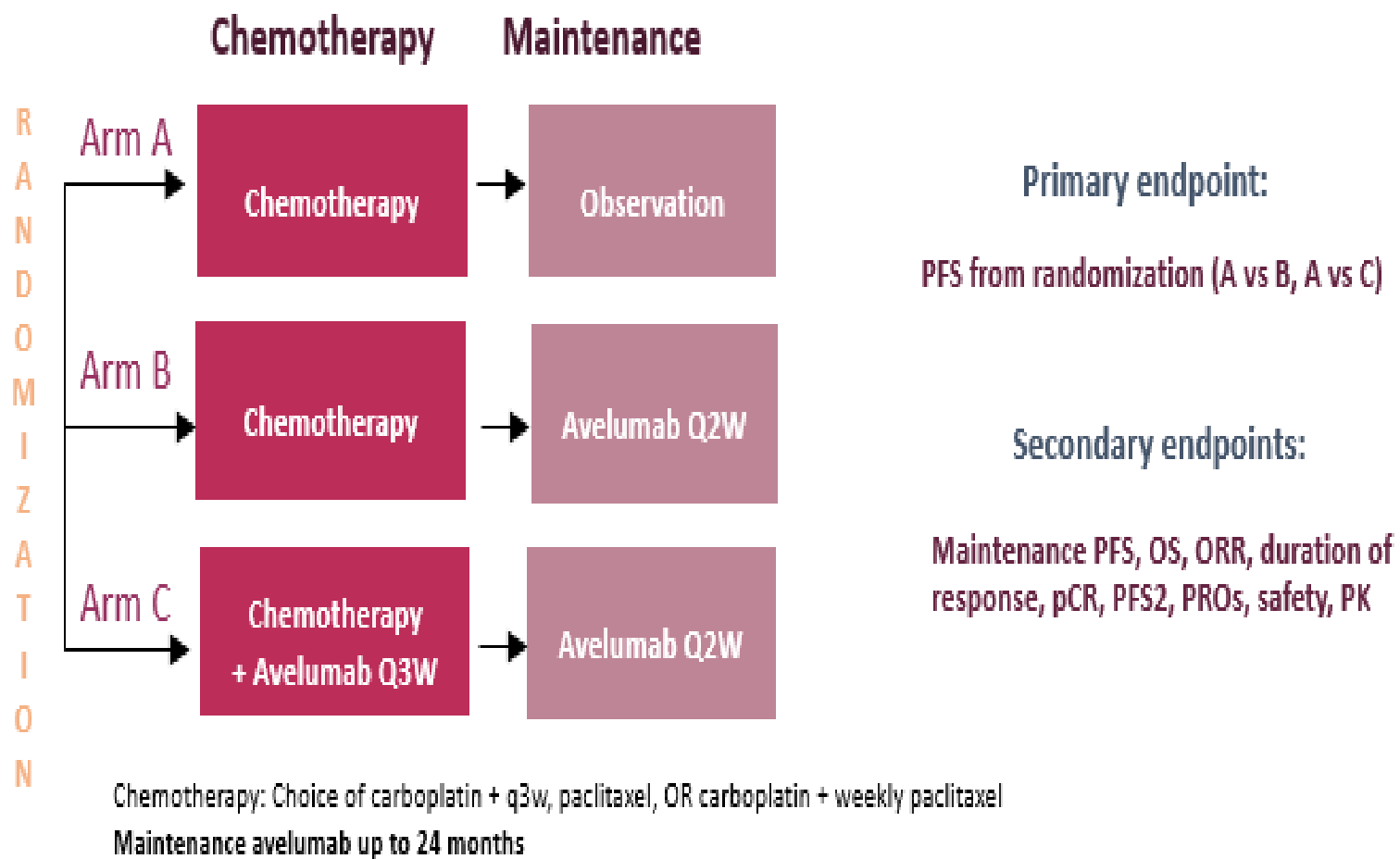


Treatment with platinum agents or taxanes increased the percentage of CD8+ tumour-infiltrating lymphocytes in immunocompetent mouse models²

1. Adams et al. SABCS 2015

2. Jeong Kim, Genentech; unpublished data

Javelin 100

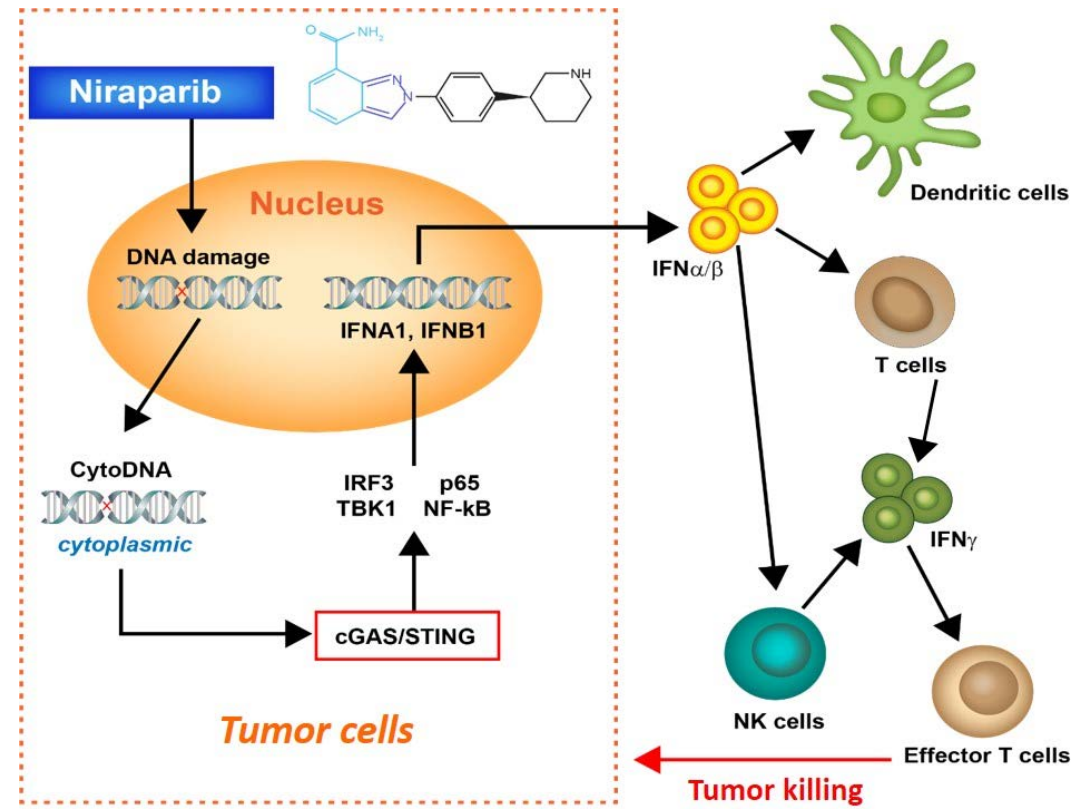


I/O + PARPi

Scientific rationale for PARPi in combination with PD-1 inhibitor

Preclinical models exhibit synergy with combination PARPi + anti-PD-1 agents regardless of BRCA mutation status or PD-L1 expression

- Unrepaired DNA damage resulting from niraparib treatment leads to the abnormal presence of DNA in the cytoplasm, which activates the stimulator of interferon gene (STING) pathway
- Activation of the STING pathway leads to increased expression and release of type 1 interferons, subsequent induction of γ -interferon, and intratumoral infiltration of effector T cells

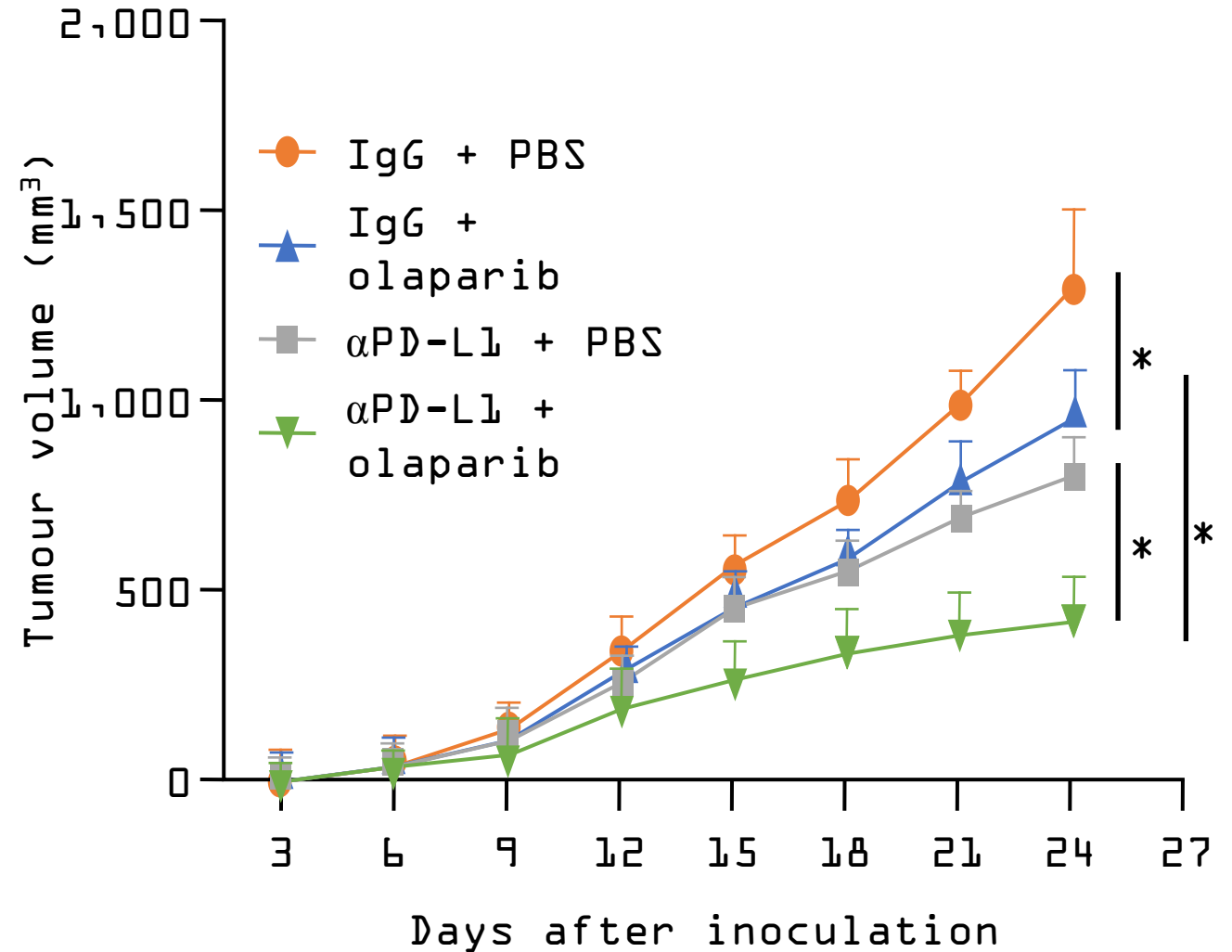


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Konstantinopoulos et al. SGO 2018

Pre-clinical evidence for anti-PDL1 and PARPi

Treatment with either olaparib or anti-PDL1 alone restricted tumour growth, but the combined treatment demonstrated enhanced therapeutic benefit

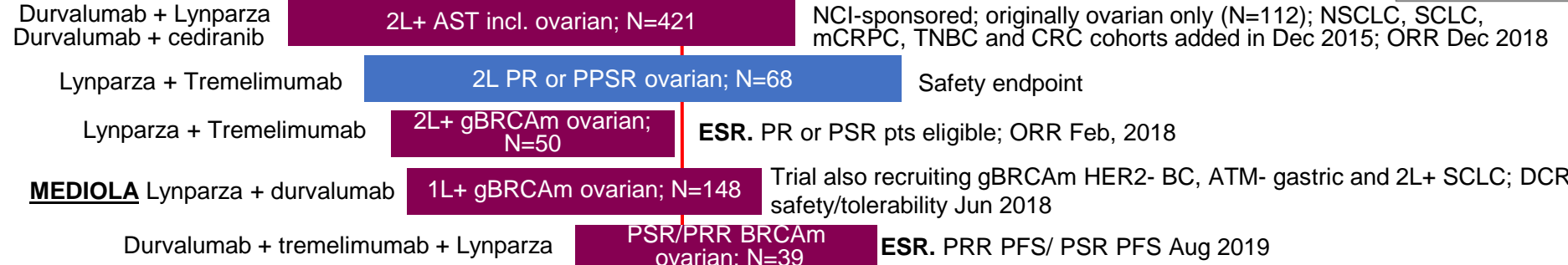


I/O + PARPi clinical trials

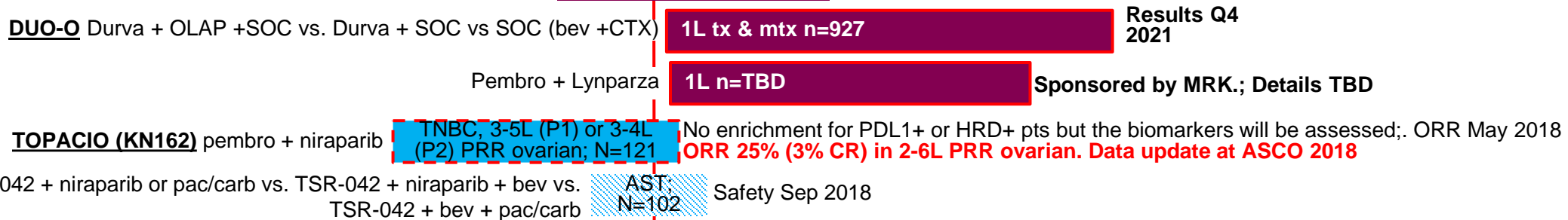
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**AstraZeneca
Lynparza**



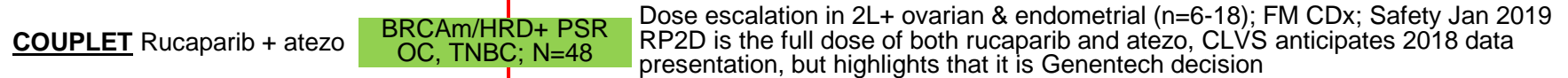
**TESARO
Niraparib**



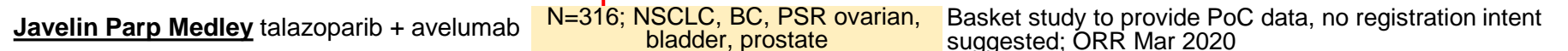
**BeiGene
BGB-290**



**Clovis
Rucaparib**



**Pfizer
Talazoparib**



Anti-PD1 and PARPi: TOPACIO/Keynote-162

Phase I/II study dose-finding combination study of niraparib plus pembrolizumab in patients with metastatic TNBC or recurrent platinum-resistant epithelial OC

Evaluable patients*	Integrated Efficacy Analysis (combined phase 1+2) PROC Cohort N=60	
	n (%)	Still on Treatment, n
Complete response (CR)	3 (5%)	1
Partial response (PR)	12 (20%)	6
Stable disease (SD)	25 (42%)	2
Progressive disease (PD)	20 (33%)	
ORR (CR+PR)	25%	
Disease control rate (CR+PR+SD)	67%	

~60% (9/15) of responders (CR or PR) remain on treatment as data continue to mature; duration of response and PFS will be presented at an upcoming conference

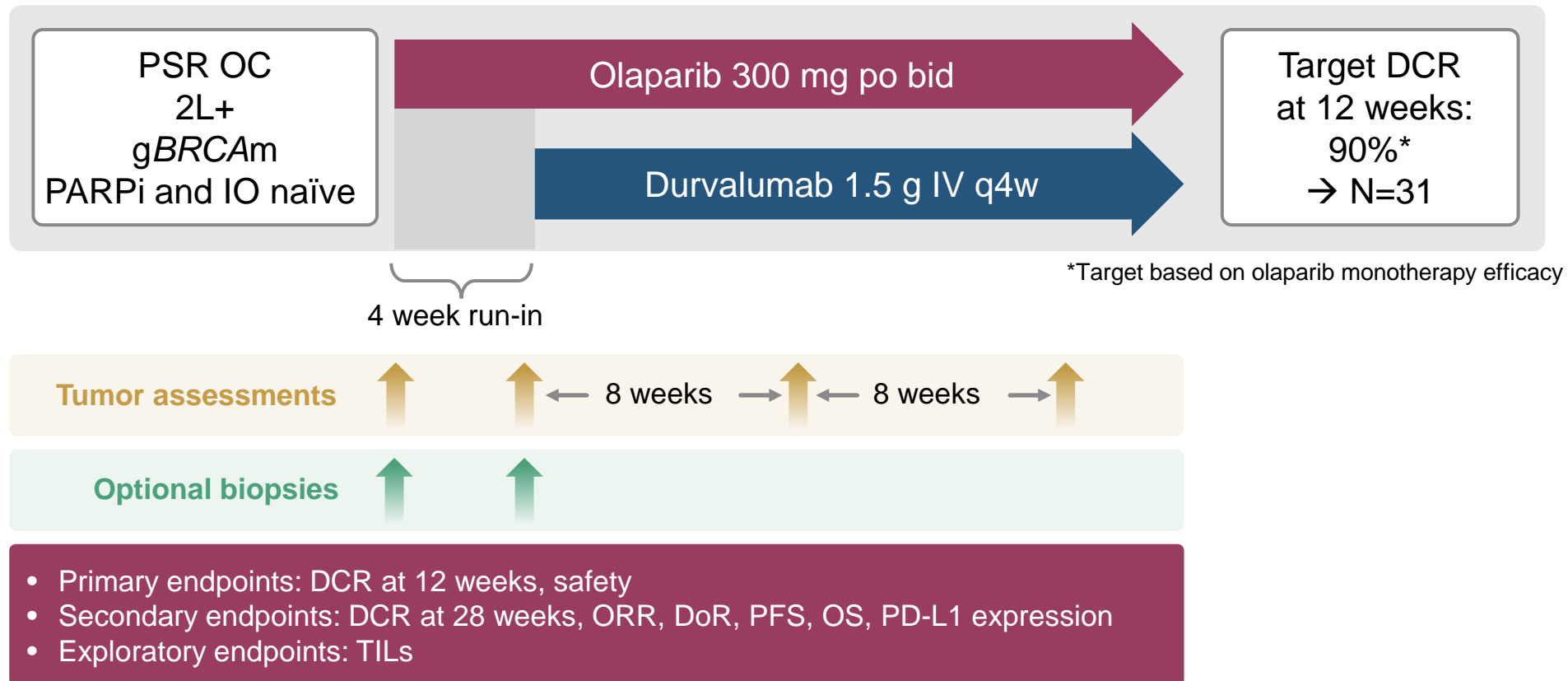
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Konstantinopoulos et al. ASCO 2018

**Two patients were not evaluable for efficacy; data are immature, responses include both confirmed and unconfirmed; evaluable pts had at least one on-treatment scan; data as of April 2, 2018*

Anti-PD1 and PARPi: MEDIOLA

Initiation of therapy at the time of relapse

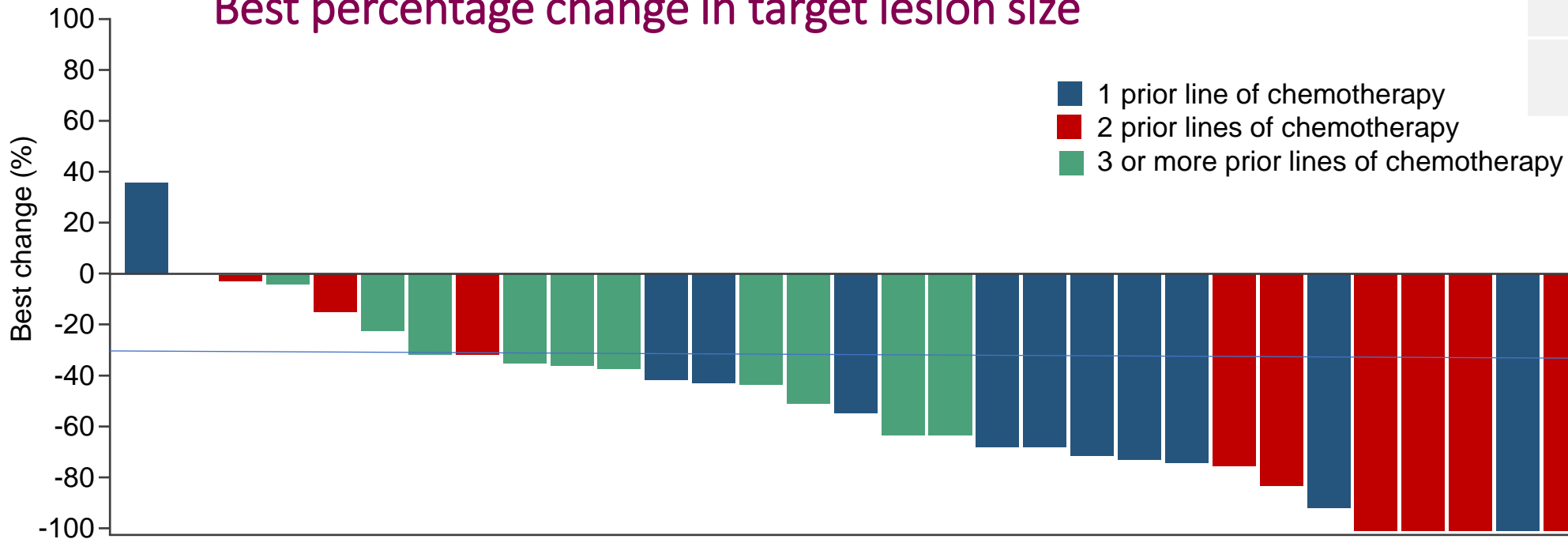


MEDIOLA: tumor responses

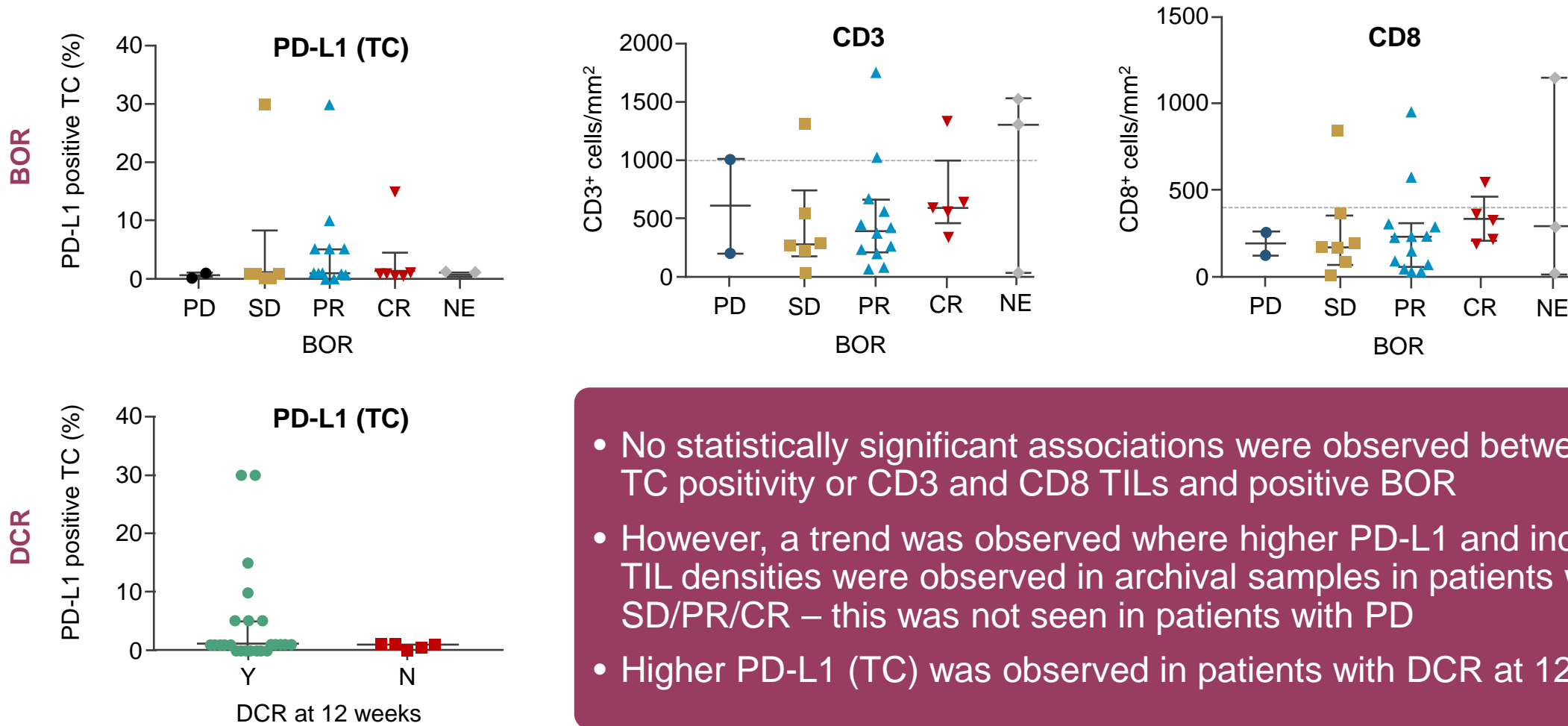
	1 prior (2L)	2 prior (3L)	3+ prior (4L)	All lines
ORR	10/13= 77%	6/9= 67%	7/10= 70%	23/32= 72%
95% CI	(46%, 95%)	(30%, 93%)	(35%, 93%)	(53%, 86%)

Best Response	N (%)
CR	6 (19)
PR	17 (53)
SD	3 (9)
PD	3 (9)
NE	3 (9)

Best percentage change in target lesion size



PD-L1 and TILs in archival tissue: association with clinical response

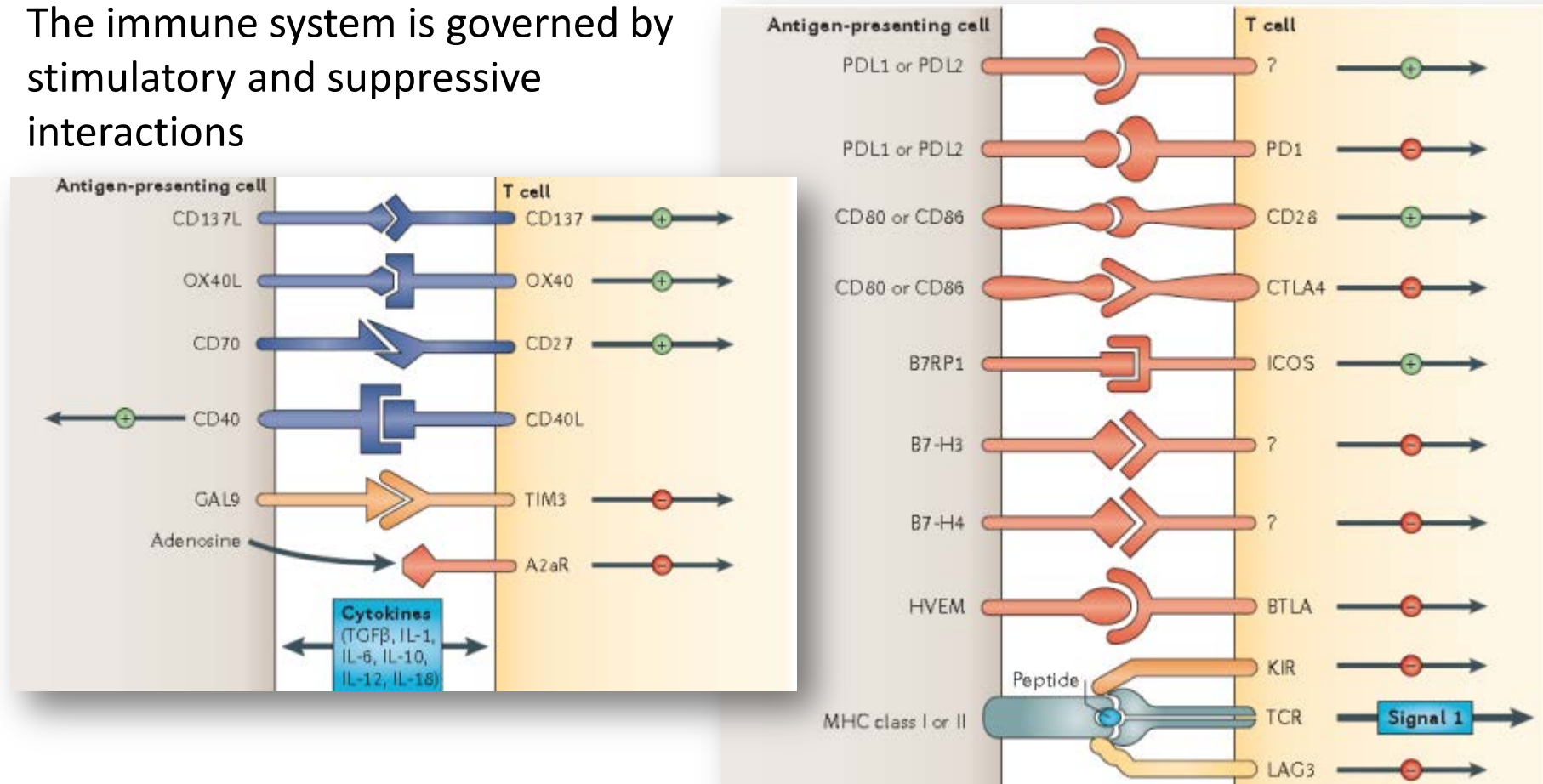


- No statistically significant associations were observed between PD-L1 TC positivity or CD3 and CD8 TILs and positive BOR
- However, a trend was observed where higher PD-L1 and increased TIL densities were observed in archival samples in patients who had SD/PR/CR – this was not seen in patients with PD
- Higher PD-L1 (TC) was observed in patients with DCR at 12 weeks

Dotted lines indicate CD3 (1000 cells/mm²) and CD8 (400 cells/mm²) 'hot/cold' thresholds established from unpublished data. Error bars present the median ± interquartile range. BOR, best objective response; TC, tumor cell; TILs, tumor infiltrating lymphocytes; Y, Yes; N, No

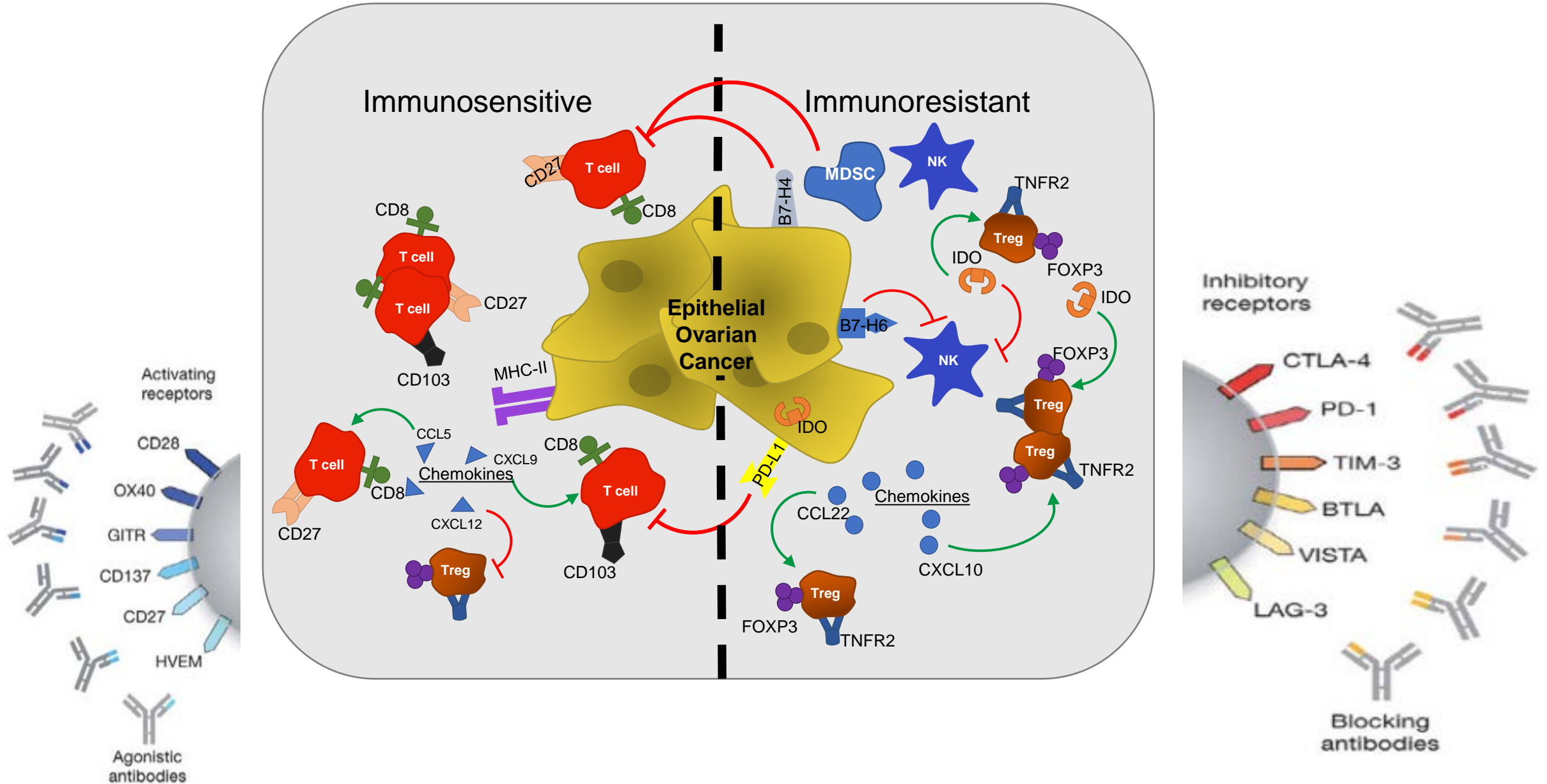
Dual signals control immune function

The immune system is governed by stimulatory and suppressive interactions



$$1/0 + 1/0$$

TURN UP the GOOD and TURN DOWN the BAD



NRG GY003: nivo vs nivo/ipi

- Phase II trial in recurrent ovary CA
- Hypothesis: enhancing CD8 T cell accumulation and activity will reduce the population of T_{reg} cells and promote anti-tumor activity
- Dual blockade of PD-1 and CTLA-4:
 - Tumor reactive TILs contain both
 - Mice model showed that dual blockade reversed CD8⁺ TIL dysfunction and increased multiple immunogenic markers (↑Ag specific CD8⁺, CD4⁺, cytokine release, ↓ suppressive Treg cell function, etc)

DART: Dual Anti-CTLA-4 and Anti-PD-1 Blockade in Rare Tumors (central and peripheral attack)

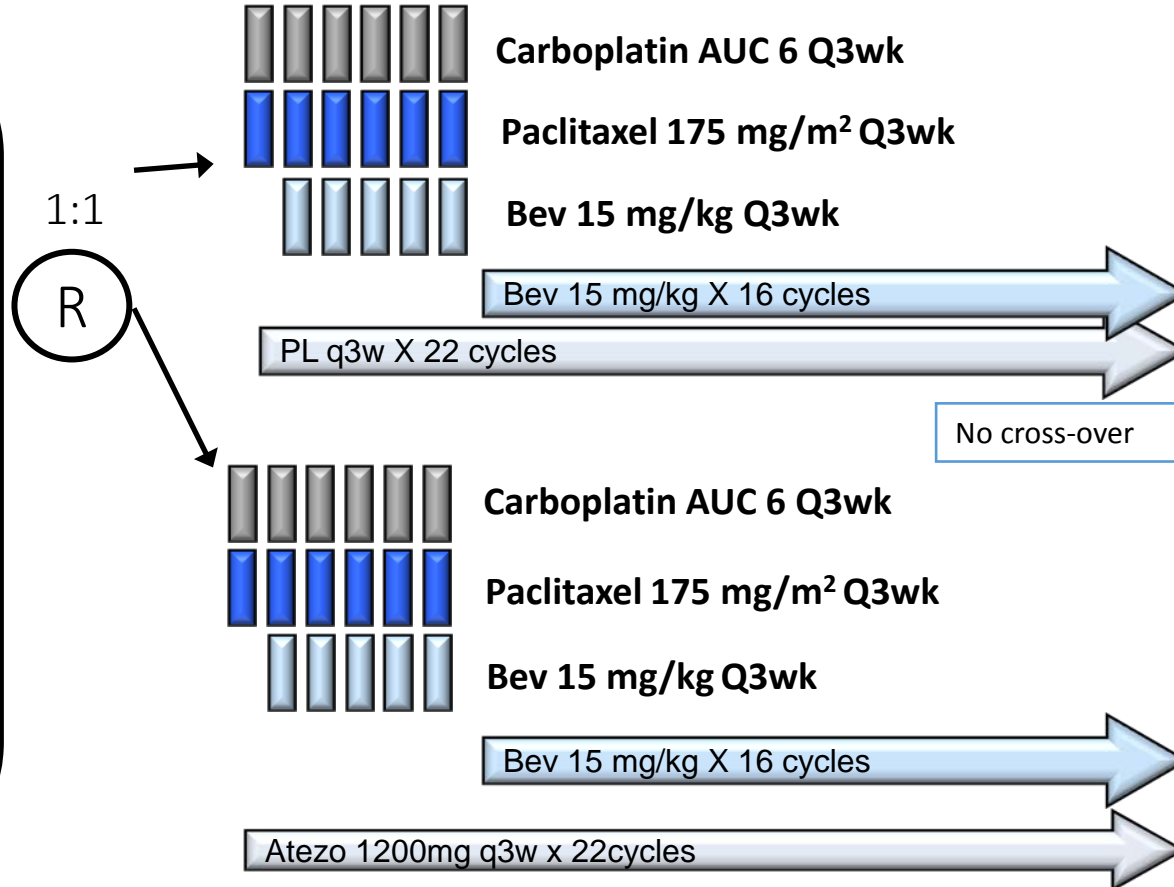
- Phase II, single arm trial with 31 histologic cohorts
- 1^o objective: evaluate ORR in pts with advanced rare tumors treated with nivo + ipi
- Given the impressive RR with combination nivo/ipi in melanoma (versus either as monotherapy), the combination therapy is expected to be the most efficient approach to testing immune checkpoint blockade efficacy across a variety of rare tumor types.

Triple Combos

Atezolizumab and bevacizumab: IMaGYN050

Double blinded, 1:1 randomized, placebo-controlled multi-center study

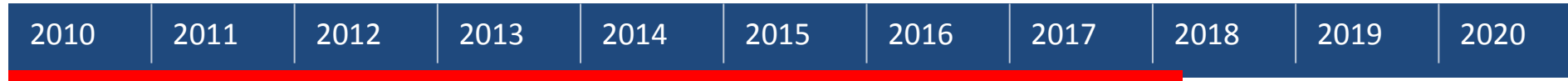
- Previously untreated epithelial ovarian, primary peritoneal, or fallopian tube cancer
- Stage III (sub-optimal/optimal w/ macroscopic residual), Stage IV, or patients w/ advanced disease treated in the neo-adjuvant setting



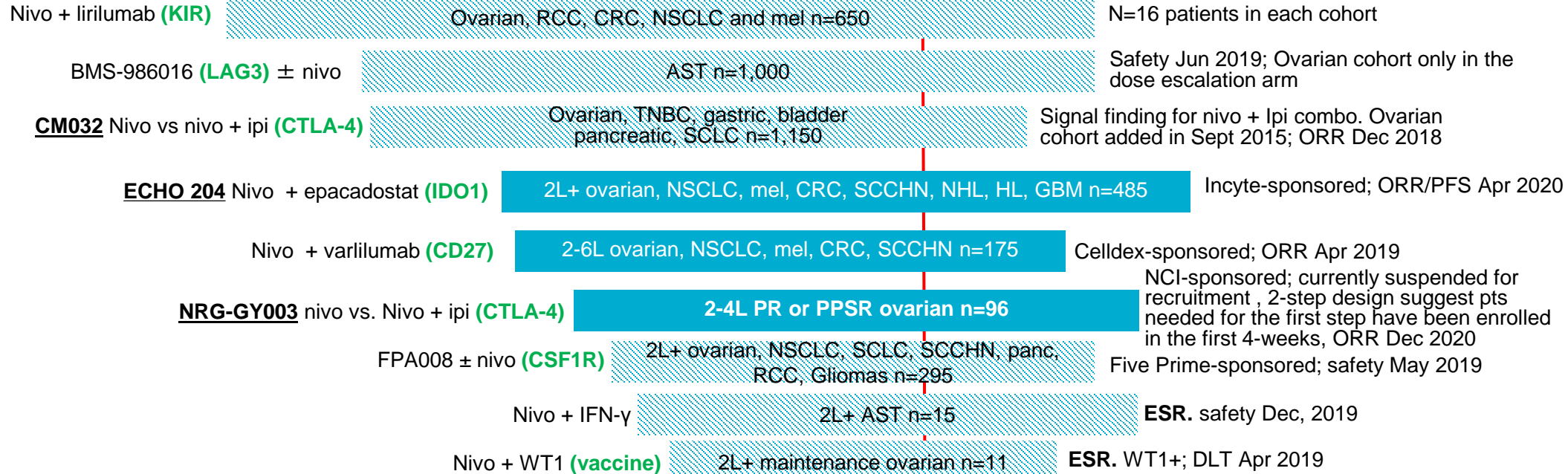
Co-Primary endpoint: PFS & OS in all comers and Dx+ (IC 1+)

Other I/O combinations

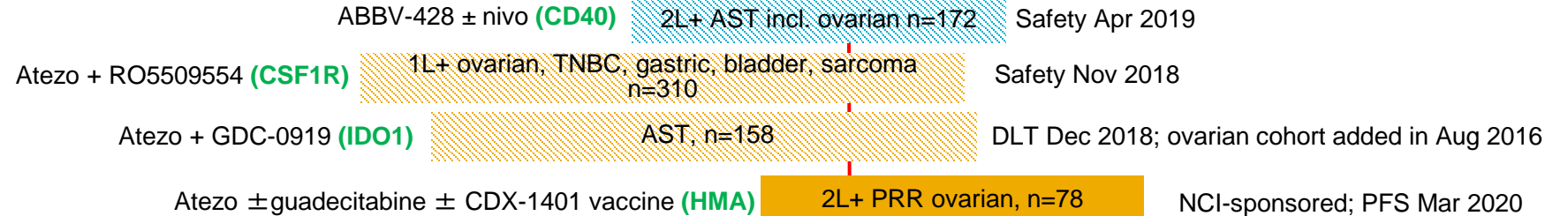
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BMS
Nivolumab (PD1)



Roche
Atezolizumab (PDL1)

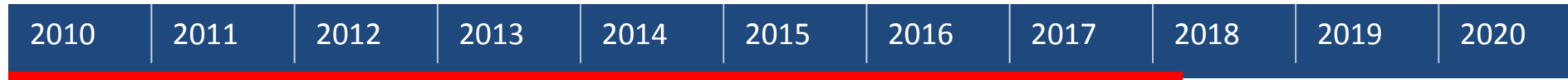


Merck Serono/Pfizer
Avelumab (PDL1)



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AstraZeneca
Durvalumab (PDL1)

Durvalumab + tremelimumab (CTLA-4) 2L+ ovarian, RCC, CRC and cervical n=106 ESR. Jun 2018

Durvalumab + VTX-2337 (TLR8) + PLD 2-3L PRR or PPSR ovarian n=53 ESR. PFS Jun 2018

Durvalumab + AZD1775 (wee1) AST n=55 DLT Oct 2018

Durvalumab + tremelimumab + CTX (CTLA-4) 1L AST n=42 Ovarian, SCCHN, TNBC, SCLC and gastric cohorts; Safety Jun 2019

Durvalumab + TPIV200 (vaccine) 2L+ PRR ovarian n=29 ESR. ORR May 2019

METADUR Durvalumab + aza (HMA) PRR ovarian, MSS CRC, ER+ BC n=60 ESR. ORR Jul 2021

Durvalumab + tremelimumab (CTLA-4) PRR ovarian n=100 ESR. Concomitant vs. sequential approach. irPFS May 2021

TRAMUNE Durvalumab + trabectedin (DNA groove) gBRCAm ovarian /sarcoma; n=50 ESR. MTD May 2020

Durvalumab + ONCOS-102 (T-cell adenovirus) AST incl. PRR ovarian, n=78 ESR. Safety Jul 2020