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Sessione II

NSCLC avanzato oncogene addicted

Il trattamento della malattia con alterazioni di BRAF, ROS1 & RET

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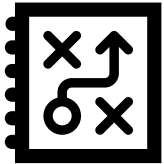
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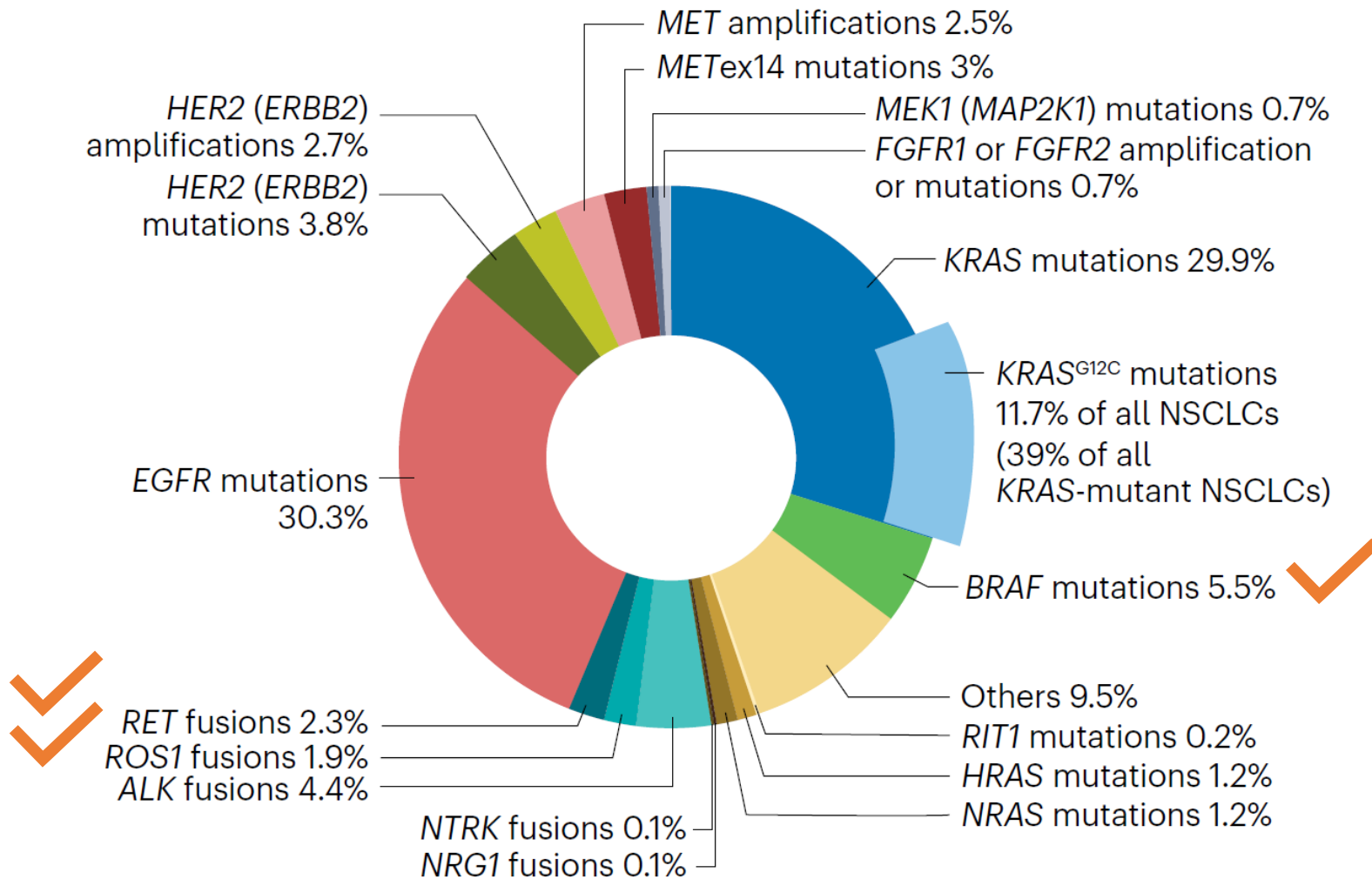
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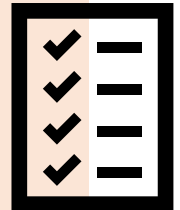
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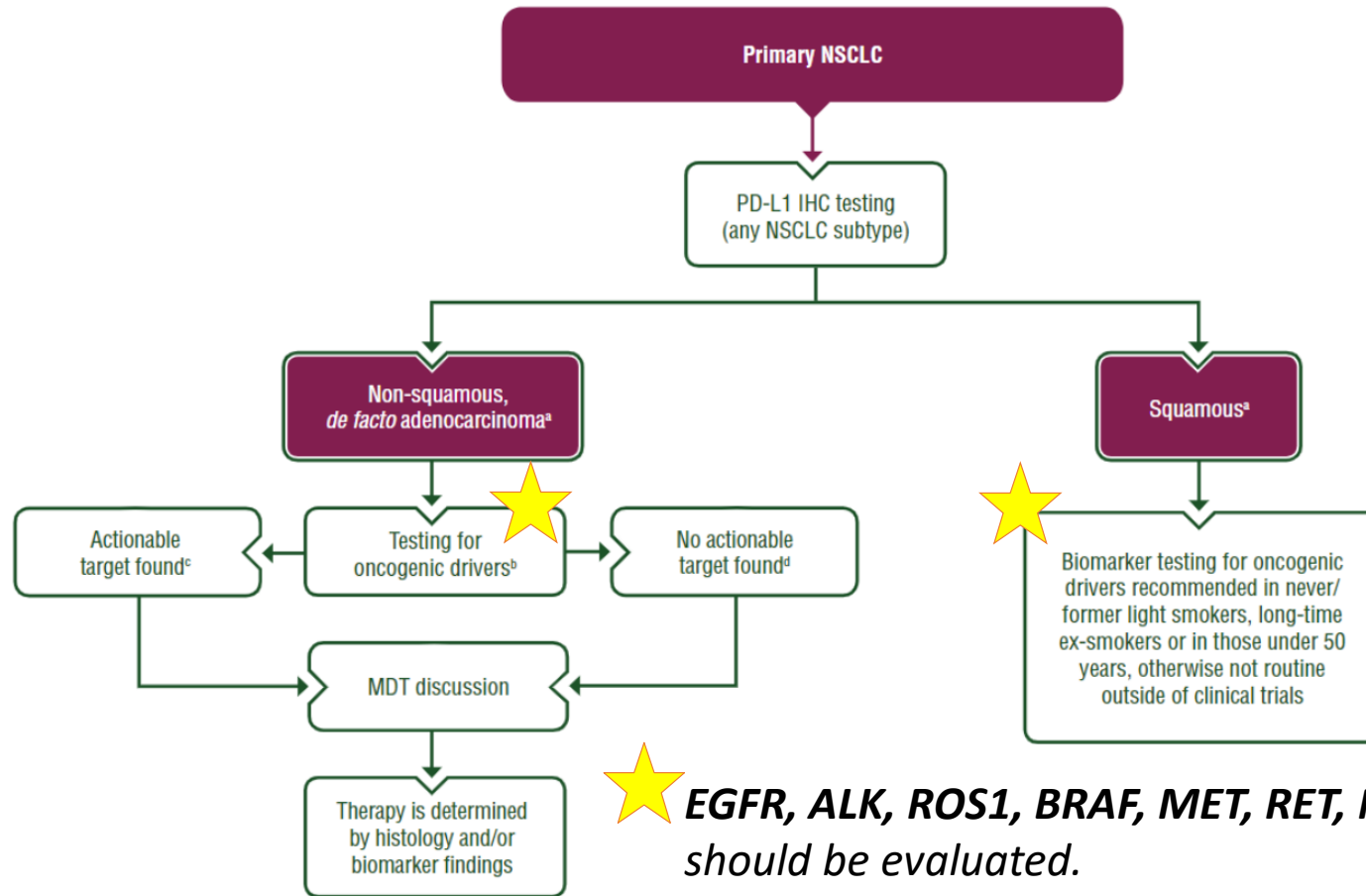
Small slices also make NSCLC the paradigm for personalized medicine



- ✓ ROS1 fusions
- ✓ BRAF V600 mutations
- ✓ RET fusions
- ✓ NTRK fusions
- ✓ METex14 mutations
- ✓ HER2 mutations
- ✓ NRG1 fusions
- ✓ MET amplifications



Predictive Biomarkers in advanced NSCLC



- **Reflex testing** preferred (TAT is shorter)
- **Targeted NGS** designed to cover panels of genes is the recommended option
- Priority for **careful handling and preservation of tissue** throughout the process

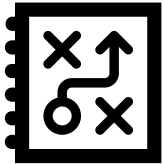


Currently, **MET, RET, EGFRex20ins, KRAS G12C** are for second-line treatment decisions (HER2 not yet druggable in clinical practice)

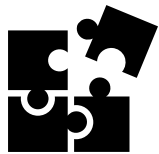
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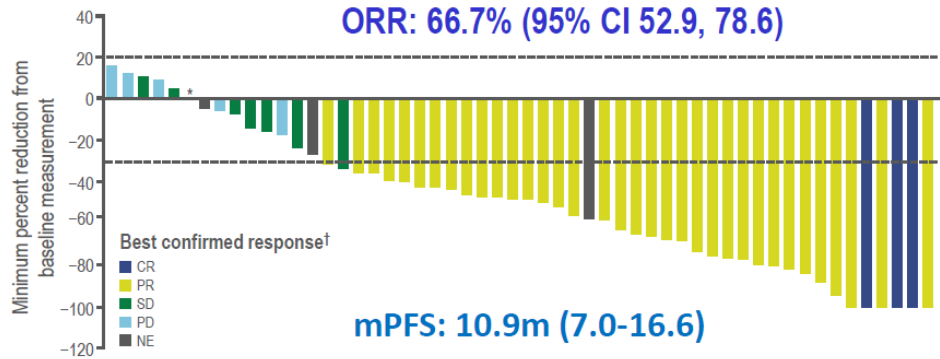
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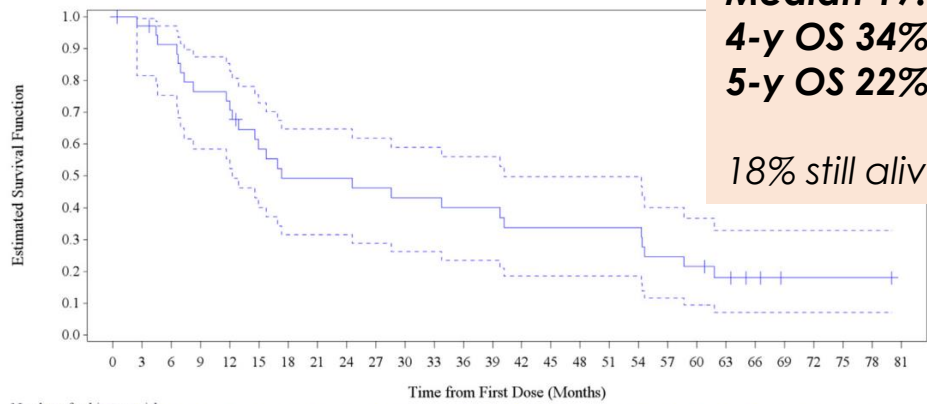
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Standard of care

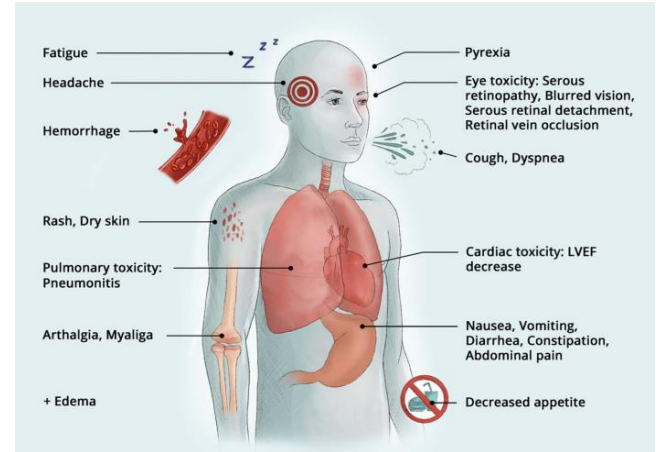
Dabrafenib-trametinib in 1st line [BRAF p.V600]



OS in treatment-naïve:
Median 17.3 ms
4-y OS 34%
5-y OS 22%
18% still alive



Number of subjects at risk
 Overall Survival 36 34 31 26 25 19 16 16 16 15 14 14 13 13 11 11 11 11 11 11 8 7 5 3 1 1 1 1 0



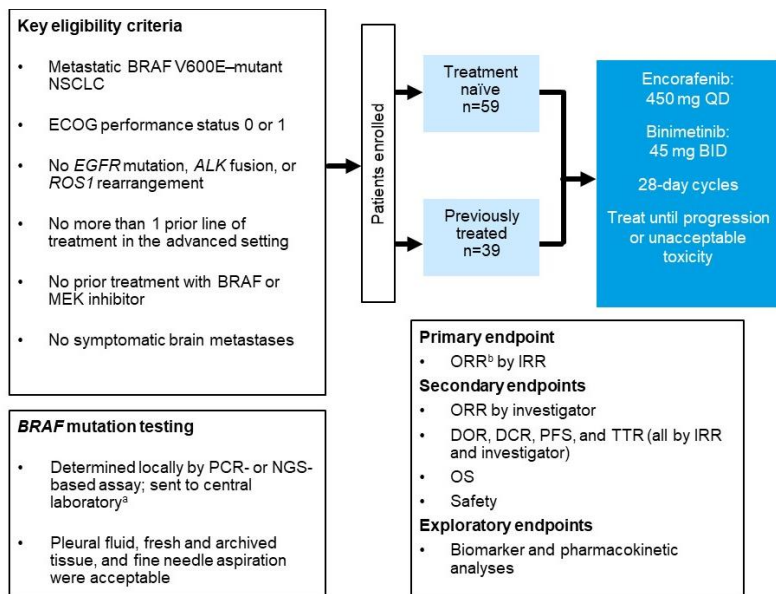
All grades	D	D + T
Fever	35%	↑46%
Nausea	27%	↑40%
Vomiting	20%	↑35%
Diarrhea	16%	↑34%
Skin carcinoma	17%	8%
Hyperkeratosis	29%	-
SAEs	42%	↑56%
Reduction	18%	↑35%
Discont.	6%	↑12%



- Continue if mild and treat to ameliorate symptoms
- It goes away/get better when you stop the drug (!)
- Fever → acetaminophen, naproxen, steroids
- Monitor with echocardiogram and ophthalmologic reviews!!

Trying to improve risk-benefit R

Encorafenib – binimetinib in 1st line [BRAf p.V600E]

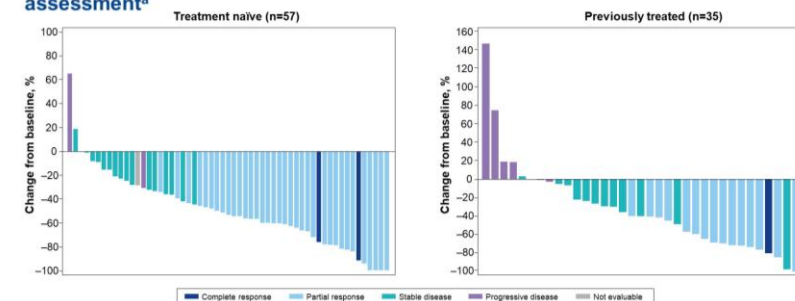


Antitumor activity endpoints by IRR

	Treatment naïve (n=59)	Previously treated (n=39)
Objective response rate (95% CI), % ^a	75 (62, 85)	46 (30, 63)
Complete response	9 (15)	4 (10)
Partial response	35 (59)	14 (36)
Stable disease	10 (17)	13 (33)
Progressive disease	2 (3)	3 (8)
Disease control rate at 24 weeks (95% CI), %	64 (51, 76)	41 (26, 58)
Duration of response, median (95% CI), months	NE (23.1, NE)	16.7 (7.4, NE)

All grades	D + T	E + B
Fever	46%	↓ 22%
Nausea	40%	50%
Vomiting	35%	29%
Diarrhea	34%	43%
Fatigue	28%	32%
Oedema	23%	↓ 11%
SAEs	56%	↓ 41%
Reduction	35%	↓ 24%
Discont.	12%	15%

Change from baseline in the sum of diameters of target lesions by investigator assessment^a

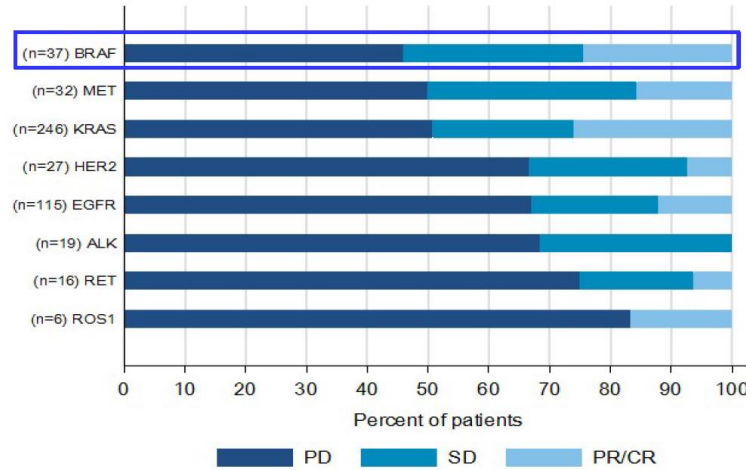


Pyrexia (treatment-related) was the cause of dose interruption of encorafenib plus binimetinib in one patient but did not result in dose reduction or permanent treatment discontinuation

How to manage disease PD? Role of IO & mechanisms of resistance



Driver	PD	SD	CR/PR
BRAF	46%	30%	24%
MET	50%	34%	16%
KRAS	51%	23%	26%
HER2	67%	26%	7%
EGFR	67%	21%	12%
ALK	68%	32%	0
RET	75%	19%	6%
ROS1	83%	0	17%
TOTAL	57%	24%	19%

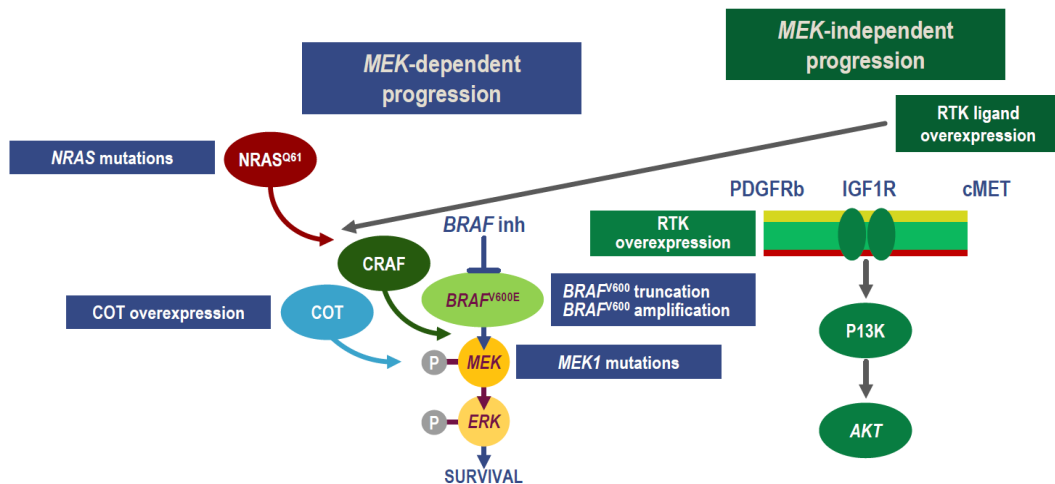


Mazieres J et al, Ann Oncol 2019

Outcome by 1° line regimen	rwTOT
PD-(L)1 mono [N = 26]	7.6 ms
PD-(L)1 + ChT [N = 13]	17.5 ms
Pembro + platinum + pem [N = 12]	20.7

BRAF V600E: rwTOT and rwTTNT similar for PD-(L)1 mono but markedly longer for PD-(L)1+ChT VS other cohorts, including the driver-negative cohort

Garassino MC et al, JTO 2023



Reactivation of ERK signaling either upstream or downstream of BRAF kinase (= melanoma) through:

- BRAF splice variants (16%)
- BRAF gene amplification (13%)
- NRAS/KRAS (20%) or MEK1/2 mutations (7%)

BRAF-independent reactivation of ERK signaling

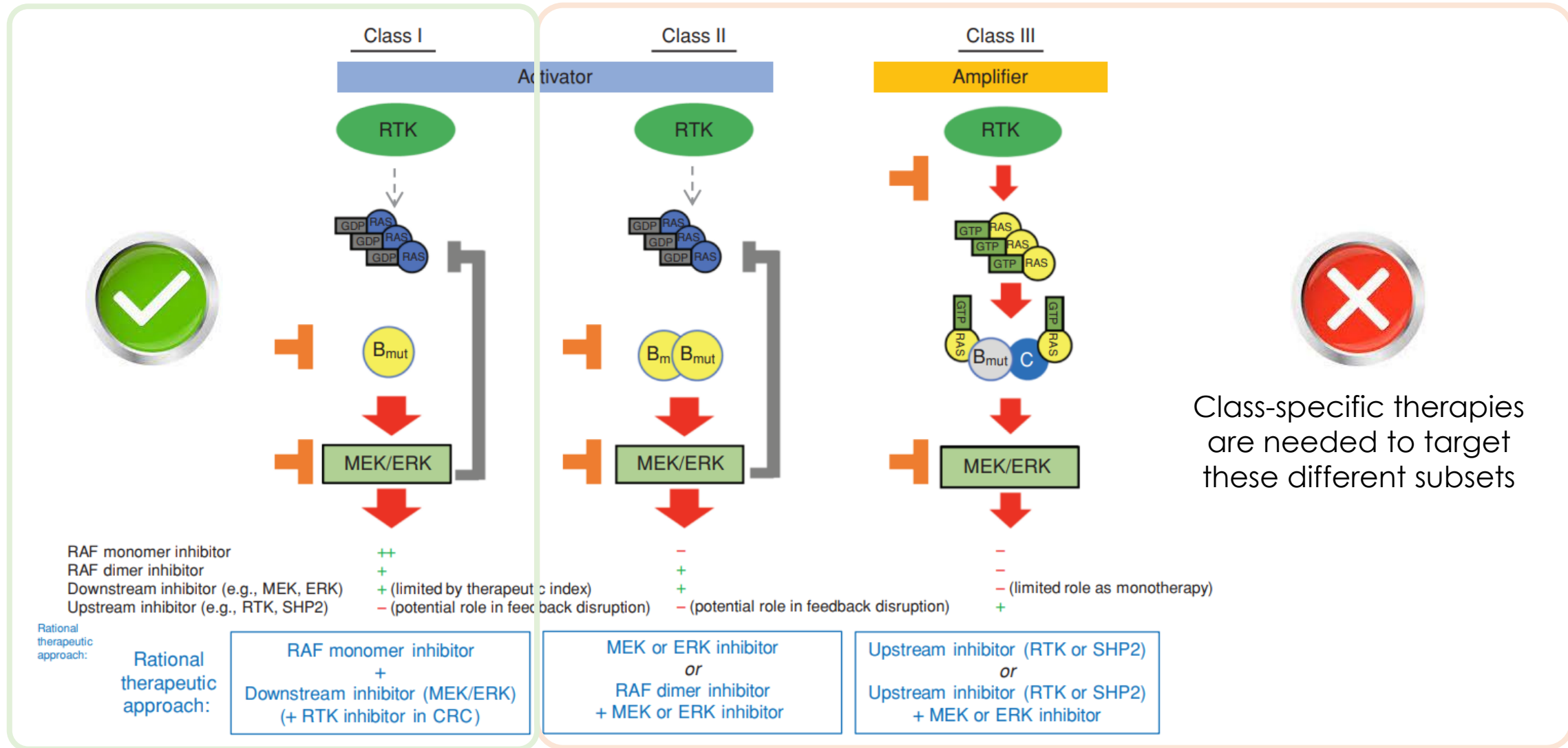


Facchinetti F et al, JTO 2023

Abdayem P & Planchard D, Clinical Advances in Hematology & Oncology 2022

What about the rest of BRAF world?

Non-V600 mutations

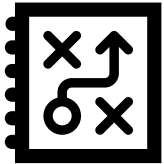


Class-specific therapies are needed to target these different subsets

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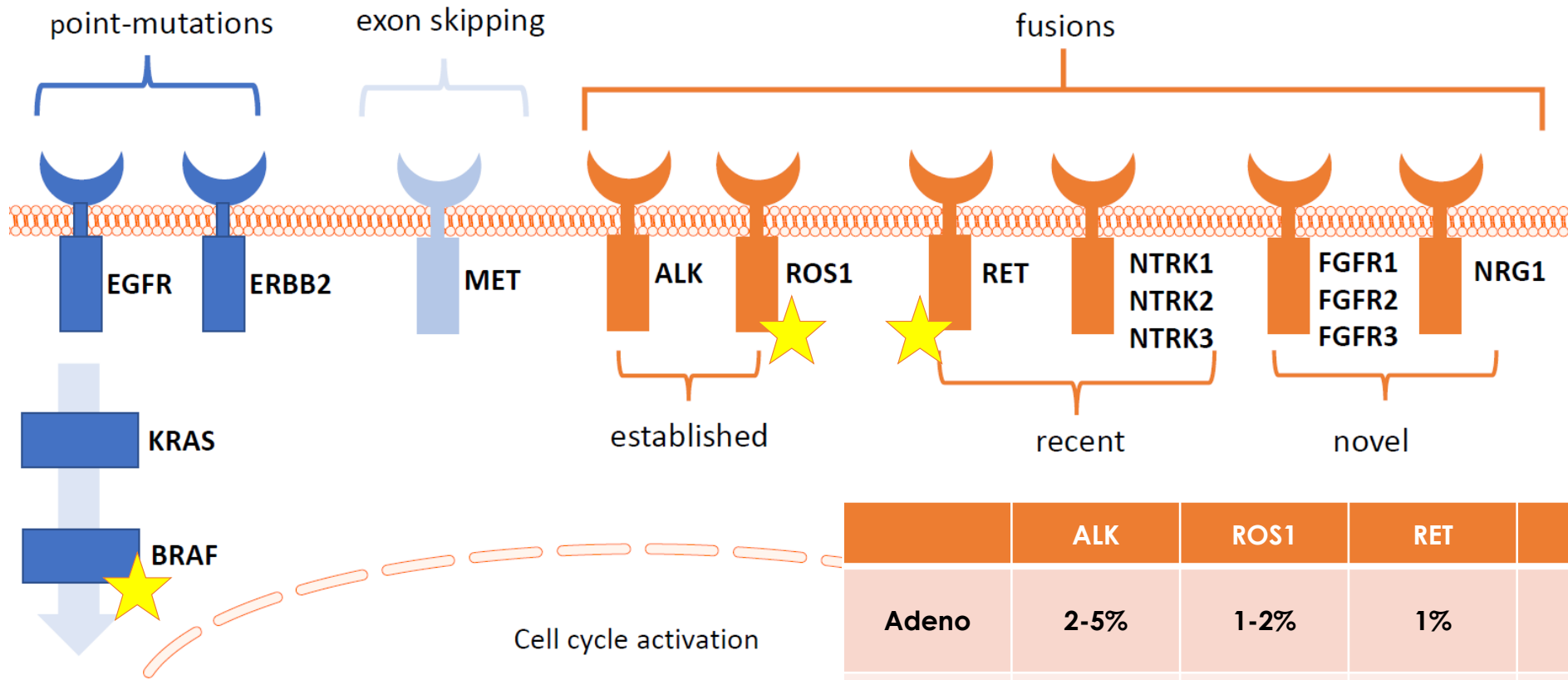
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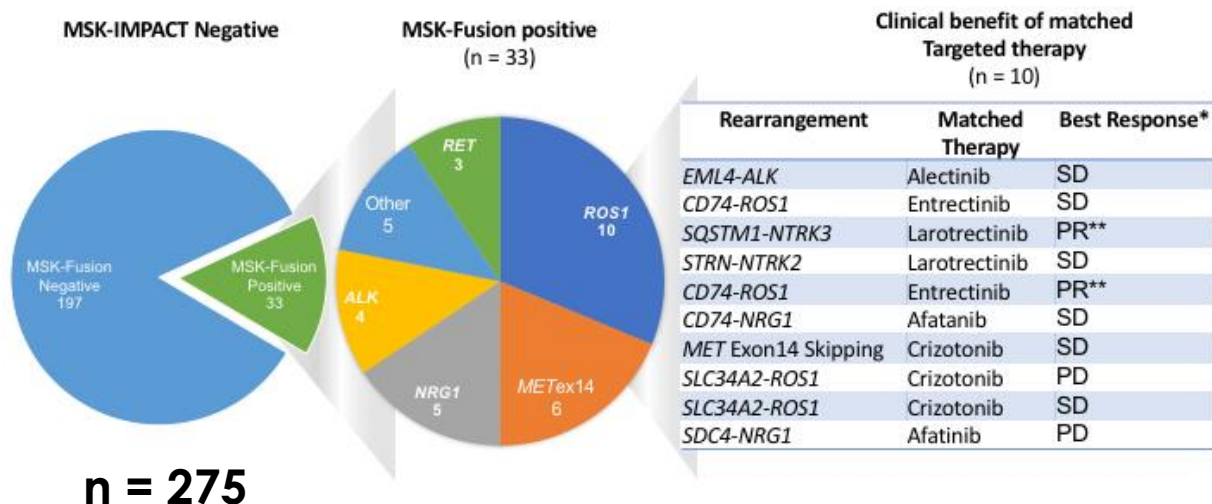
RET

Which type of alterations?



	ALK	ROS1	RET	NTRK	FGFR	NRG1
Adeno	2-5%	1-2%	1%	<1%	<1%	<1% Mucinous k 5-6%
Sq	<1%	Case reports	Case reports	Case reports	1-4%	Case reports

Targeted RNA is better suited for fusion identification



Pros	Cons
All fusions of interest at once!	RNA is unstable
Fusion partner agnostic	Higher rate of QC fail
Inframe fusions	More tissue necessary
Expressed / upregulated (low tumor % input), threshold 50 copies	Higher costs
Specific and sensitive (if passes QC)	

Failure rate can be up to 20%!
 Material at higher risk for failure

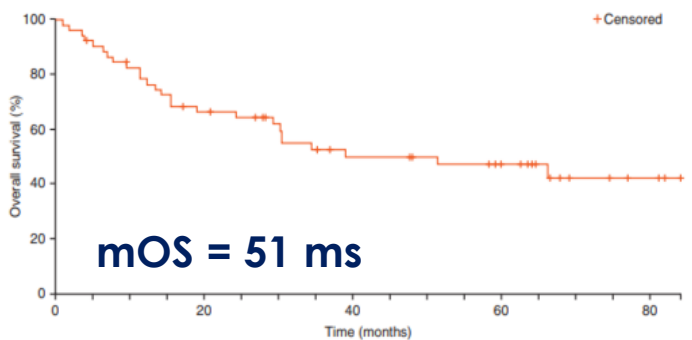
- cytology
- decalcified biopsies
- biopsies overweekend in formalin

RNA-based >> DNA-based for fusions and splice site mutations

Hybride DNA and RNA panels
(one step sequencing)

Standard of care Crizotinib & Entrectinib in 1st line

PROFILE 1001: **crizotinib**



End points	ROS1-rearranged NSCLC (N = 53)
ORR, % (95% CI) ^a	72 (58–83)
CR, n (%)	6 (11)
PR, n (%)	32 (60)
SD (≥6 weeks), n (%)	10 (19)
PD, n (%)	3 (6)
Not evaluated ^b	2 (4)
Median time to first tumor response, weeks (range) ^c	7.9 (4.3–103.6)
Median duration of response, months (95% CI) ^{d,e}	24.7 (15.2–45.3)
Median PFS, months (95% CI) ^{d,f}	19.3 (15.2–39.1)

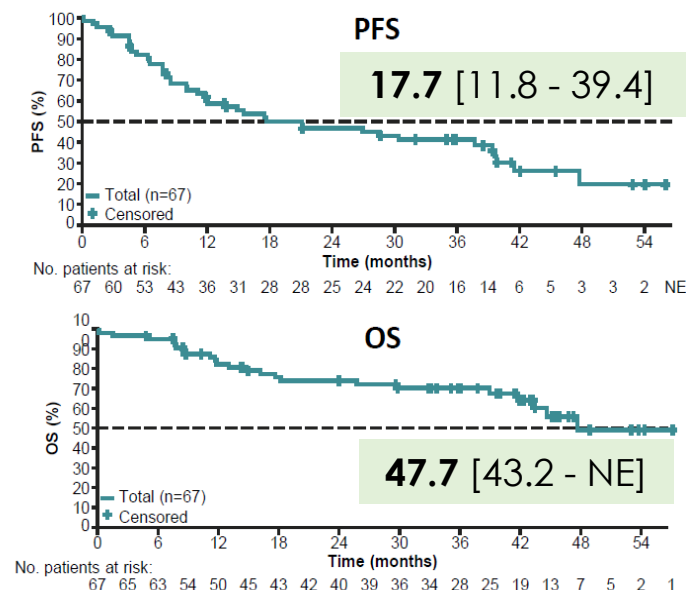
- On-target resistance mutations (*G2032R*)
- CNS progression



Integrated analysis of 3 phase I and II trials: **entrectinib**

	First-line population [†] (n=67)
ORR, n (%) [95% CI]	46 (68.7) [56.2–79.4]
CR	10 (14.9)
PR	36 (53.7)
SD	7 (10.4)
PD	5 (7.5)
Non CR / PD	6 (9.0)
Missing / unevaluable	3 (4.5)
Median DoR, months [95% CI]	35.6 [13.9–38.8]

icORR 61%

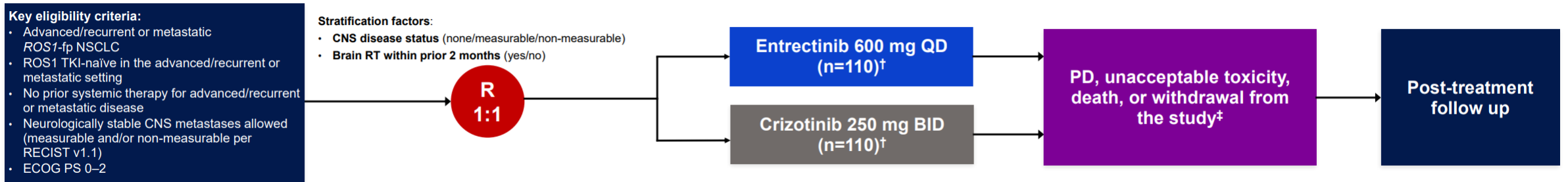


Grade ≥ 3 AEs 43% mainly dysgeusia, weight increase, constipation and diarrhea – **discontinuation 7%**

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Crizotinib VS Entrectinib in 1st line

ROS1



Primary endpoint

- PFS per BICR (RECIST v1.1) in the CNS population

Secondary efficacy endpoints

- ORR, DoR and PFS in the ITT population: BICR and investigator assessed (RECIST v1.1)
- OS in the CNS and ITT populations
- CNS-PFS in the ITT population: BICR assessed (RECIST v1.1)
- CNS-ORR and CNS-DoR in the CNS population: BICR assessed (RECIST v1.1)

Safety-related endpoints

- Incidence, type, and severity of AEs (including serious AEs and AEs leading to dose modifications/interruptions)
- Study drug withdrawal or death
- Change from baseline in treatment-related symptoms (EORTC QLQ-C30)
- Frequency of patients' response of the degree they are troubled by treatment symptoms (EORTC IL46)

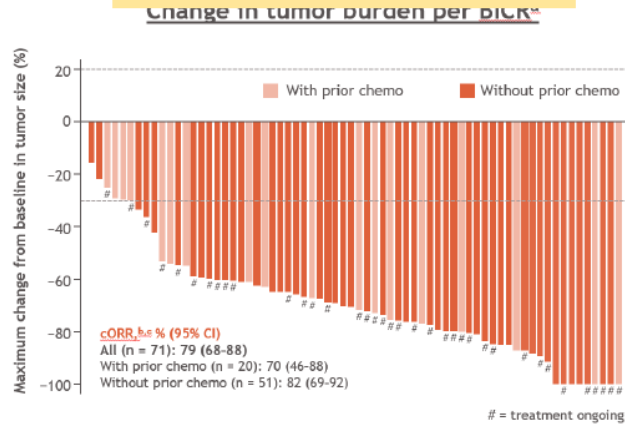
PROs endpoints

- Impact on functioning (EORTC QLQ-C30) and lung cancer-specific symptoms (EORTC QLQ-LC13)

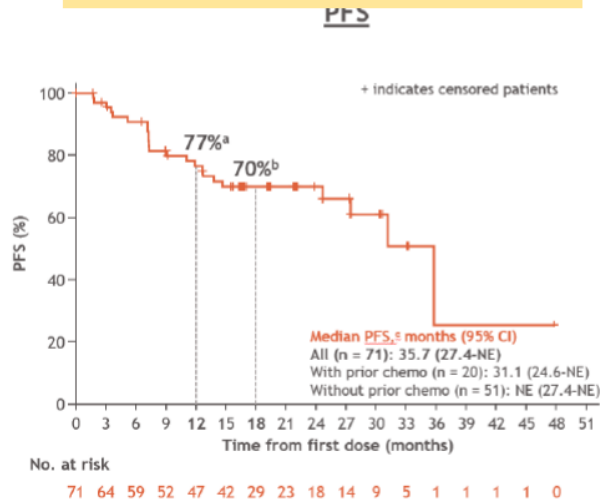
Should we escalate 1st line with new gen TKIs?

Repotrectinib [TRIDENT-1]

Overall RR: 79%
Tx-naïve RR: 82%



Overall mPFS: 35.7mo
Tx-naïve mPFS: NR

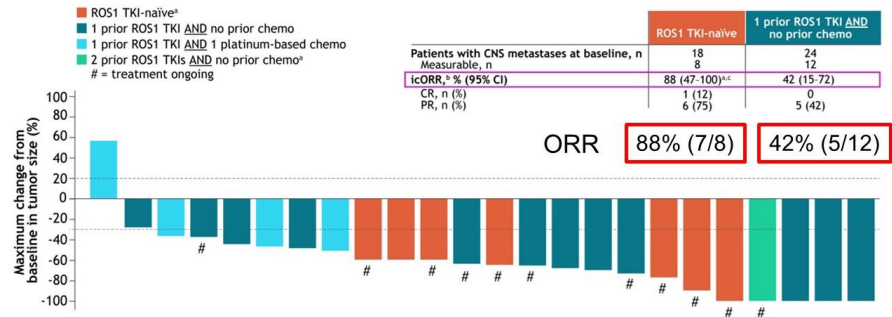


Dose reduction: 35%
Dose interruption: 35%
Dose discontinuation: 3%

AEs, n (%)	All patients treated at the RP2D ^a (n = 426)		All patients with ROS1+ NSCLC treated at the RP2D (n = 320)	
	TEAEs	TRAEs	TEAEs	TRAEs
All patients with AEs	422 (99)	409 (96)	318 (99)	306 (96)
Leading to dose reduction	163 (38)	149 (35)	112 (35)	100 (31)
Leading to drug interruption	213 (50)	150 (35)	158 (49)	107 (33)
Leading to treatment discontinuation	31 (7)	14 (3)	23 (7)	11 (3)
Serious AEs	147 (34)	38 (9)	106 (33)	24 (8)
Grade ≥ 3 AEs	216 (51)	122 (29)	156 (49)	86 (27)
Fatal AEs	19 (4)	0	13 (4)	0

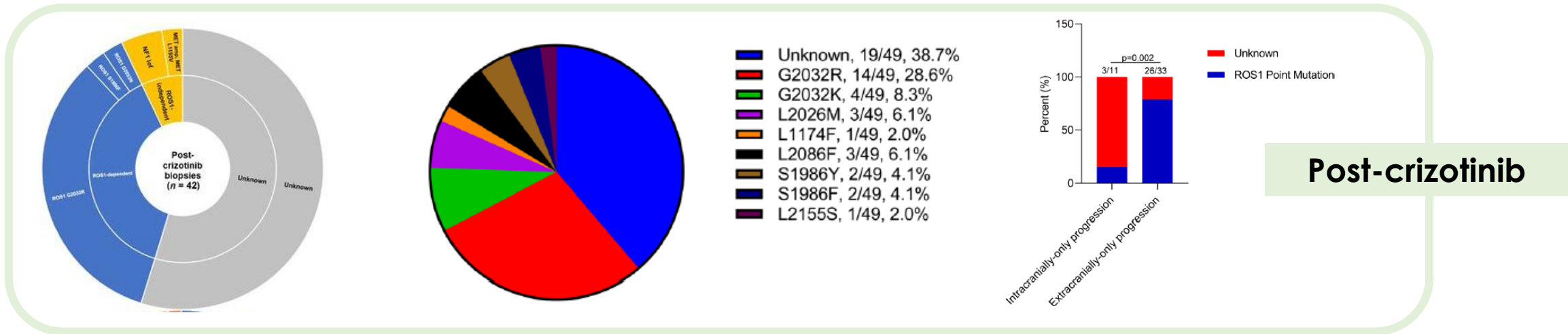
^a The most common TEAE was dizziness, which was reported in 62% of patients (n = 264); grade ≥ 3 treatment-emergent dizziness was reported in 3% of patients (n = 11); no patients discontinued repotrectinib due to treatment-emergent dizziness^b

	ROS1 naïve (n=71)		ROS1 pretreated (n=56)	
	with CNS (n=18)	without CNS (n=53)	with CNS (n=24)	without CNS (n=32)
ORR	89%	75%	33%	41%
PFS	87% (PFS at 12m)	77% (PFS at 12m)	57% (PFS at 6m)	75% (PFS at 6m)



Preventive effect of repotrectinib for BM (only 1.8% of TKI-naïve pts developed a new brain mets)

How to manage disease PD?



IC ₅₀ (nmol/L)	Crizotinib	Entrectinib	Lorlatinib	Repotrectinib	Cabozantinib	Ceritinib	Brigatinib	Taletrectinib	Alectinib
Parental	840.5	1,801.0	>3,000	1,218.0	>3,000	1,117.0	>3,000	>3,000	1,207.0
Nonmutant	5.4	2.7	0.7	2.0	2.8	16.4	9.4	2.6	995.4
G2032R	609.6	436.3	196.6	23.1	17.5	346.4	472.7	53.3	1,091.0
L2000V	37.1	25.9	2.5	10.1	7.6	124.9	78.9	29.8	985.0
L2086F	536.8	440.0	>3,000	587.9	3.6	226.9	159.3	1,265.0	672.5
S1986F/L2000V	159.4	36.1	2.4	7.2	5.1	86.9	62.5	20.3	1,080.0
S1986F/L2086F	469.7	344.2	>3,000	241.2	1.3	154.8	48.5	662.6	919.9
G2032R/L2086F	498.6	335.4	>3,000	248.9	5.0	573.9	450.9	744.2	1,254.0
S1986F/G2032R	594.4	718.5	990.6	65.1	70.1	614.7	717.0	105.4	1,137.0
S1986F/G2032R/L2086F	562.8	1,111.0	2,131.0	1,178.0	9.4	1,116.0	1,341.0	2,432.0	1,150.0

IC₅₀ ≤ 50 nmol/L
50 nmol/L < IC₅₀ < 200 nmol/L
IC₅₀ ≥ 200 nmol/L

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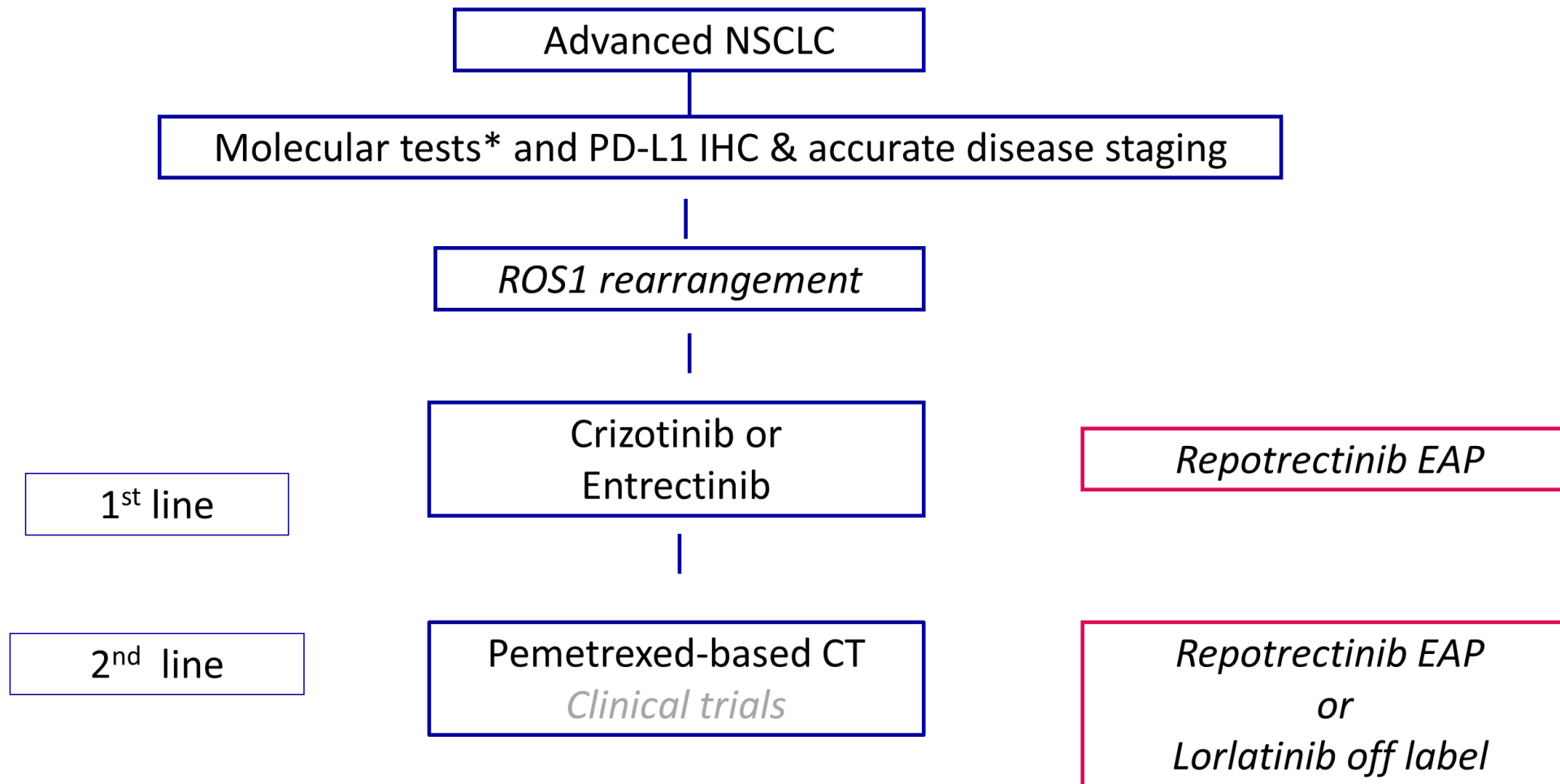
Clinical data

ROS1

	Lorlatinib (Phase 1/2)	Repotrectinib (TRIDENT-1 Phase 1/2)	Taletrectinib (TRUST China Phase 2)	NVL-520 (ARROS-1 Phase 1)
Patients	N=40	N=56	N=38	N=21
ORR	35% (prior crizotinib)	38% (only 1 prior ROS1 TKI and no prior chemo)* <small>*FDA breakthrough therapy designation</small>	50% (prior crizotinib)* <small>*FDA breakthrough therapy designation</small>	48% • 53% (9/17) with ≥2 prior ROS1 TKI, ≥1 chemo • 50% (9/18) with prior lorlatinib or repotrectinib
Median PFS	8.5 months	9.0 months	9.8 months	Not reported
CNS activity	12/24 (50%) with measurable or nonmeasurable CNS disease	5/13 (38%) with measurable CNS metastases	11/12 (92%) with measurable CNS metastases (TKI-naïve & crizotinib-pretreated)	CNS responses reported
Clinical ROS1 G2032R activity	Response in 0/6 (0%) patients with a baseline ROS1 G2032R in plasma	Responses in 10/17 (59%) patients with a baseline ROS1 G2032R	Responses in 4/5 (80%) patients with a baseline ROS1 G2032R	Responses in 7/9 (78%) patients with a baseline ROS1 G2032R
Most common TRAEs or TEAEs (all grades)	Hypercholesterolemia, hypertriglyceridemia, edema, peripheral neuropathy, cognitive/mood effects, weight increased	Dizziness, dysgeusia, constipation, paresthesia, dyspnea, anemia, fatigue, nausea, muscular weakness, ataxia	Diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, ALT increase, AST increase, anemia, neutrophil count decrease	No DLTs or treatment-related SAEs or dizziness reported
Reference	Shaw AT et al., Lancet Oncol 2019	Cho BC et al., WCLC 2023	Li W et al., ELCC 2023	Drilon A et al., EORTC-NCI-AACR 2022

How to manage disease PD?

Realistic algorithm of ROS1+ NSCLC in Italy – 2023



* NGS recommended;

Standard of care

A not-target 1st line

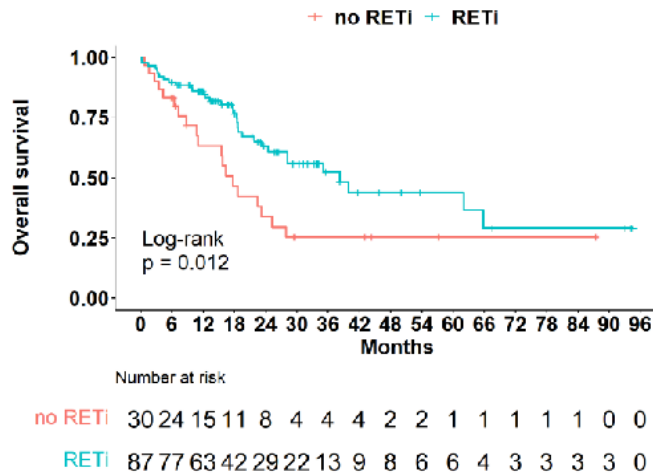
➤ **Chemotherapy works** [ORR~50%, mPFS~6ms, mOS~24ms]

Outcomes with 1^o line CT RET Registry

Outcome	All Chemotherapy Agents (n = 108)	Platinum Doublet (n = 84)	Platinum + Pemetrexed (n = 66)
Best response (95% CI)	52% (39.8 to 64.4) 36 of 69 evaluable	51% (38.1 to 63.4) 33 of 65 evaluable	49% (35.4 to 62.9) 27 of 55 evaluable
Disease control rate (95% CI)	75% (63.5 to 84.9) 52 of 69 evaluable	75% (63.1 to 85.2) 49 of 65 evaluable	75% (61.0 to 85.3) 41 of 55 evaluable
Median PFS (95% CI)	6.6 months (5.1 to 9.3)	7.8 months (5.3 to 10.2 months)	6.4 months (4.3 to 8.8 months)
Median OS (95% CI)	23.6 months (13.6 to 30.8)	24.8 months (13.6 to 32.3 months)	23.6 months (13.4 to 33.2 months)

*Drilon A et al, Ann Oncol 2016
Gautschi O et al, J Clin Oncol 2017*

➤ **Still controversies with immunotherapy**



	Doublet CT (N=108)	Single agent CT (N=34)	CT-ICB (N=41)	ICB (N=52)	MTKi (N=21)	RETi (N=145)
ORR	55%	26%	46%	23%	37%	76%
mPFS	8.7	3.6	9.6	3.1	3	16.2

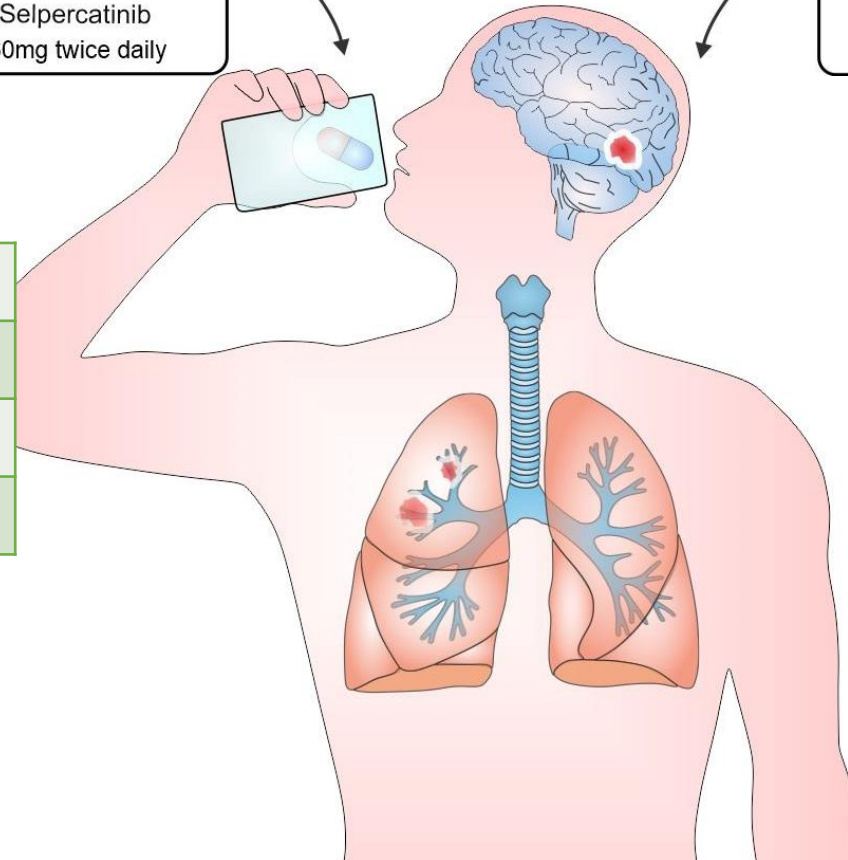
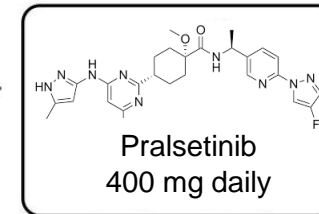
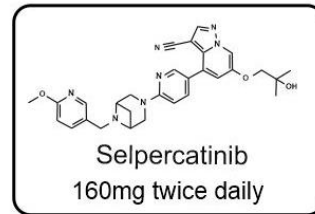
Standard of care

Selpercatinib & Pralsetinib in 2nd line

	SELPERCATINIB	PRALSETINIB
	[LIBRETTO-001]	[ARROW]
ORR (% , N)		
Prior platinum-based chemotherapy	61% (n = 247)	59% (n = 136)
Treatment-naïve	84% (n = 69)	72% (n = 75)
DCR (% , N)		
Prior platinum-based chemotherapy	94% (n = 247)	90% (n = 136)
Treatment-naïve	93% (n = 69)	91% (n = 75)
mPFS (months, N)		
Prior platinum-based chemotherapy	24.9 (n = 247)	16.5 (n = 136)
Treatment-naïve	22.0 (n = 69)	13.0 (n = 75)
3y-OS (% , N)		
Prior platinum-based chemotherapy	58.5% (n = 247)	58% (n = 141)
Treatment-naïve	57.1% (n = 69)	58% (n = 69)
iORR (% , N)	85% (n = 26)	70% (n = 10)
Grade ≥3 TRAEs (% , N)	38.6% (n = 796)	52% (n = 281)
Discontinuation rate (% , N)	3% (n = 796)	7% (n = 281)

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Selpercatinib & Pralsetinib in 2nd line



Most common TRAEs

Dry mouth	38%
Hypertension	28%
Increased ALT/AST	28%
Diarrhea	27%

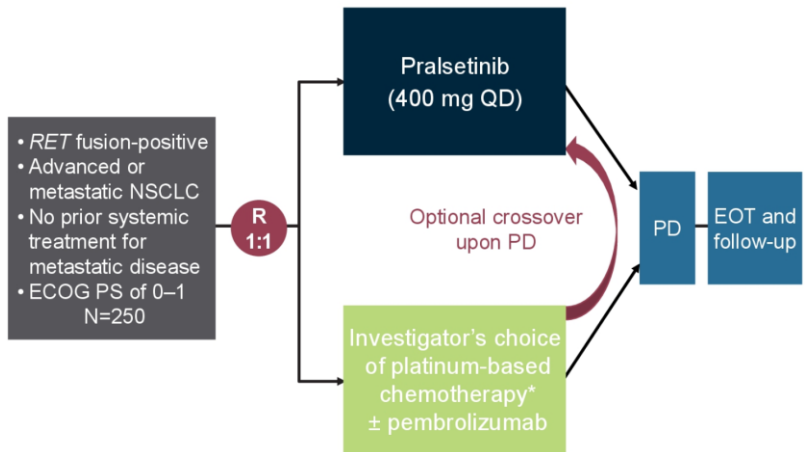
Hypersensitivity

Most common TRAEs

Neutropenia	46%
Leukopenia	38%
Increased ALT/AST	35%
Anemia	32%

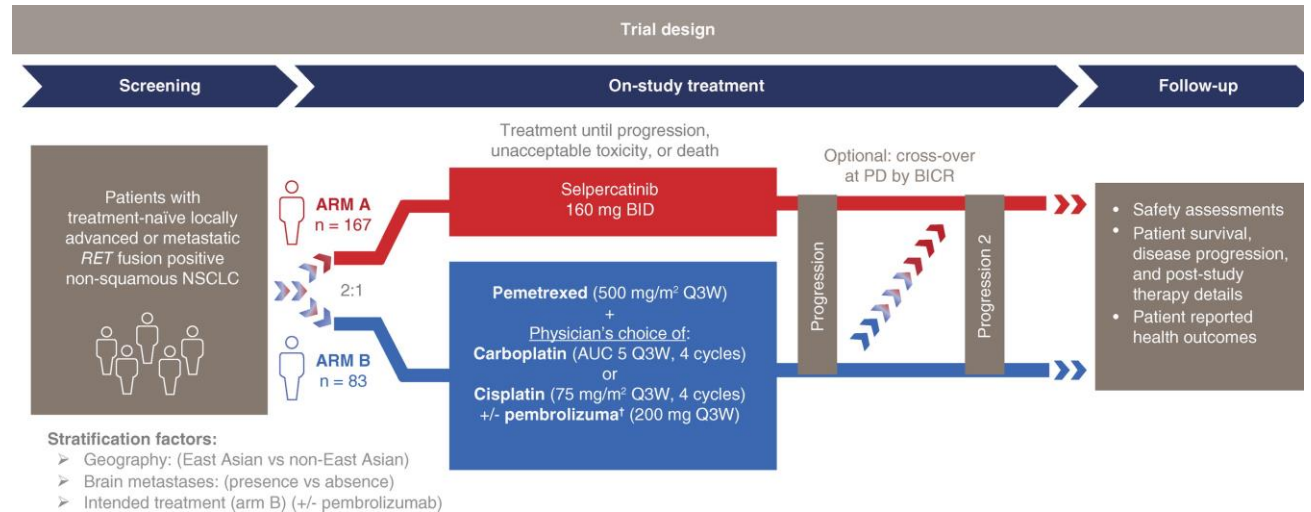
Should we anticipate in 1st line RET TKIs?

AcceleRET



Besse B et al, ASCO 2020

LIBRETTO-431

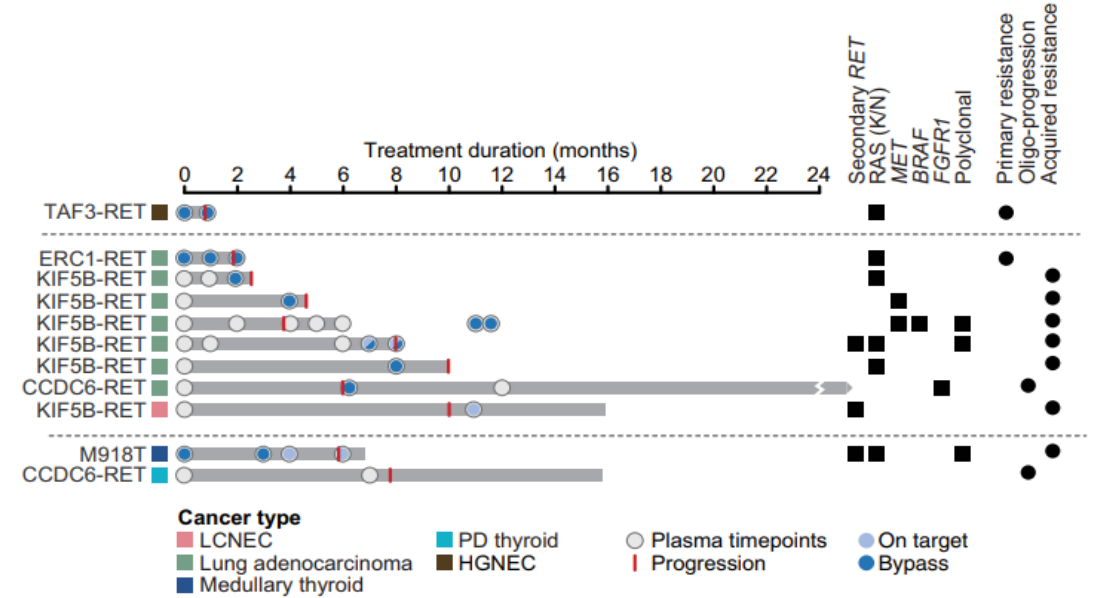
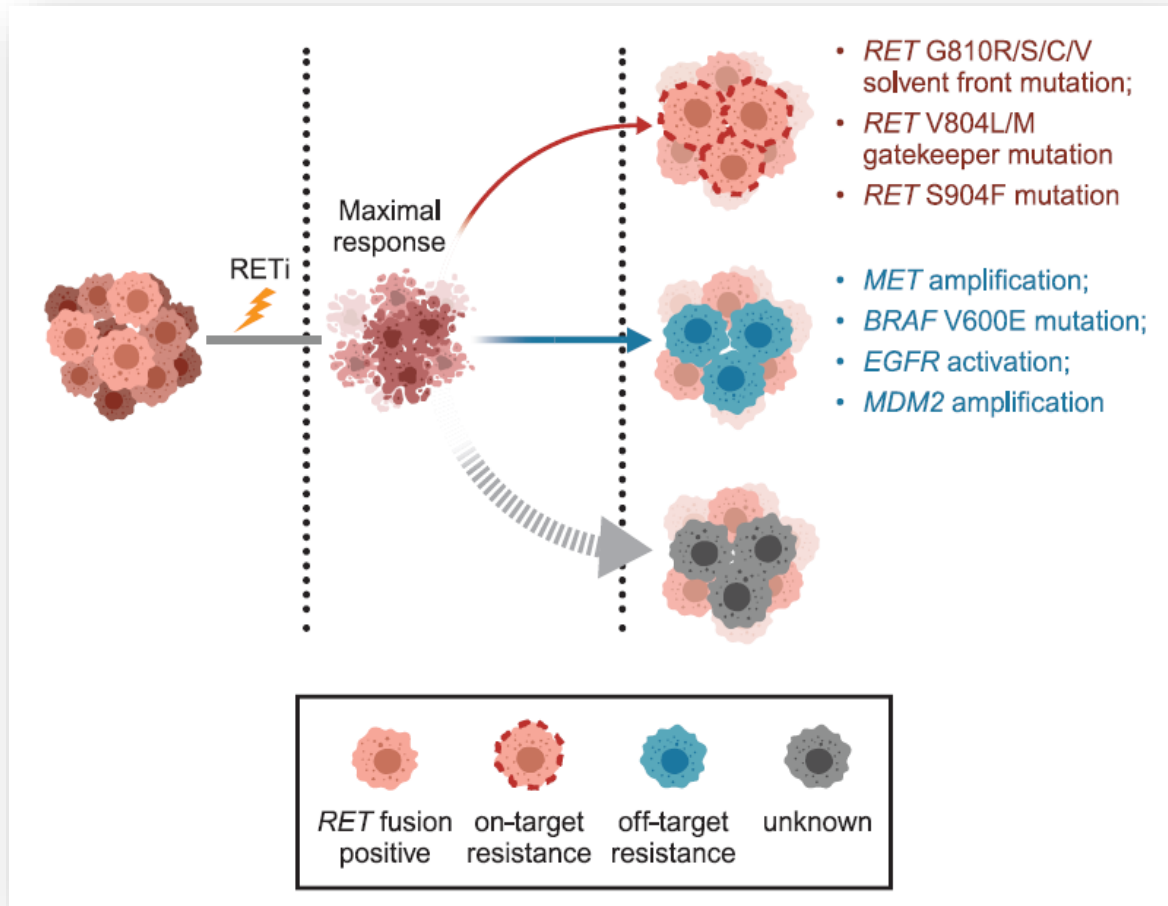


Solomon B et al, Future Oncol 2021

Selpercatinib is the First Targeted Therapy to Demonstrate Superior Progression-Free Survival Compared to a PD-1 Inhibitor Plus Chemotherapy for Adults with Newly-Diagnosed Advanced or Metastatic RET Fusion-Positive Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

How to manage disease PD?

RET



- **On-target:** RET kinase domain mutations occur with a low frequency based on early data
- **Off-target:** Activation of bypass pathways including MAPK pathway reactivation and MET amplifications
- Multiple distinct mechanisms are often observed in the same patient (**polyclonal resistance**)

How to manage disease PD?

Retrospective study, 16 institutions

- 105 biopsies from 89 patients progressing on selective RET TKI

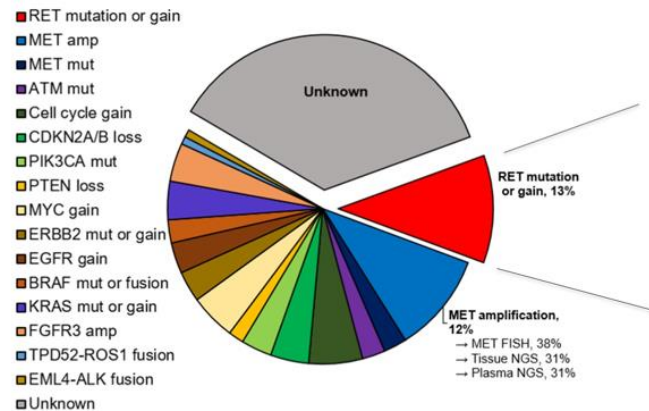


Fig. 2. Putative on- and off-target resistance mechanisms detected in post-RET TKI biopsies. The diagnostic method used for MET amplification detection is listed.

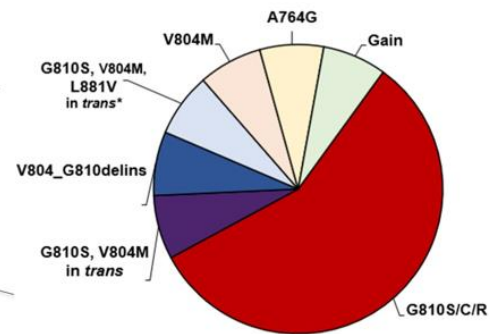
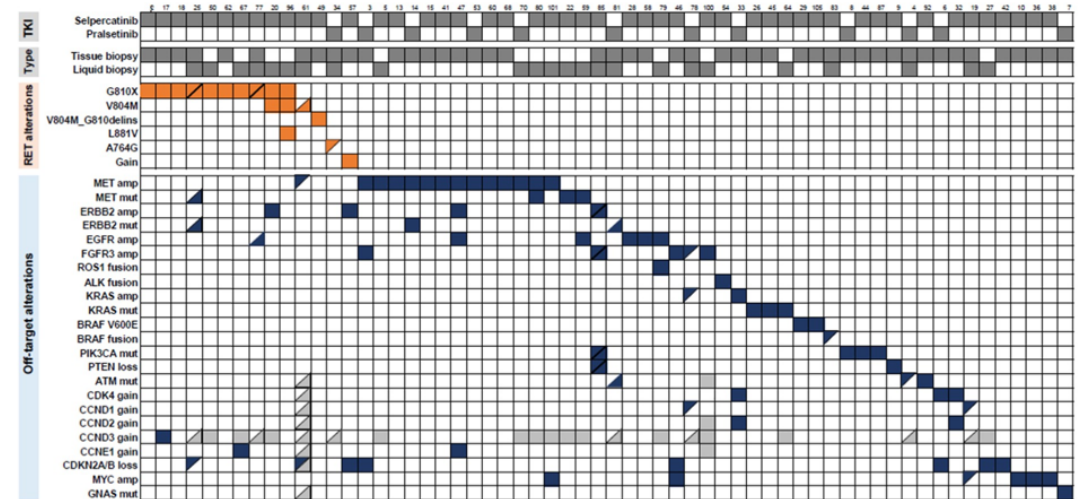


Fig. 3. On-target (RET) resistance alterations detected in post-RET TKI biopsies. *G810 and V804M mutations known to be in trans.



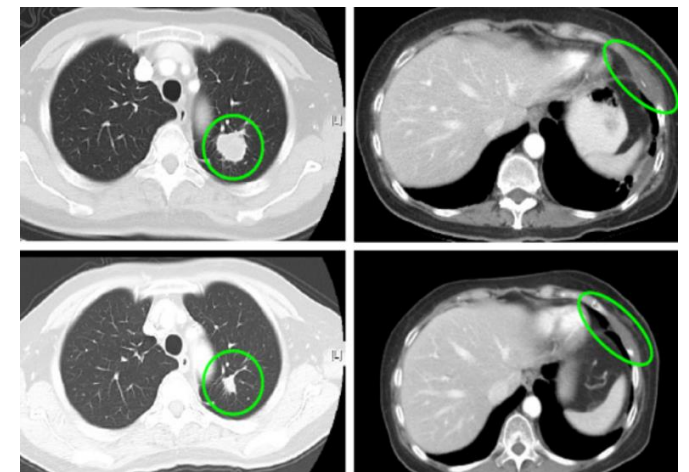
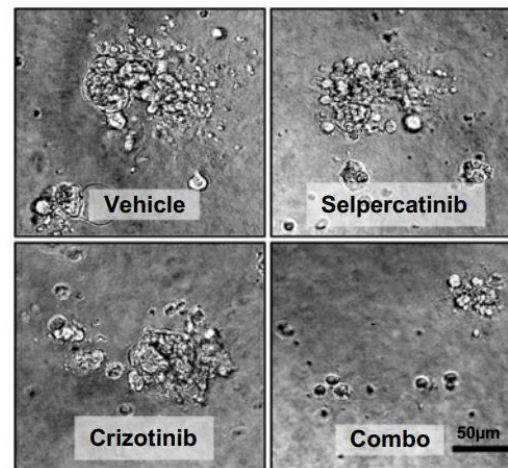
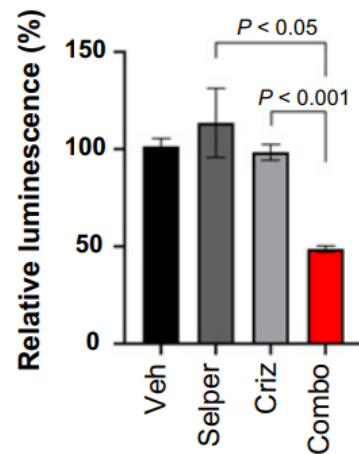
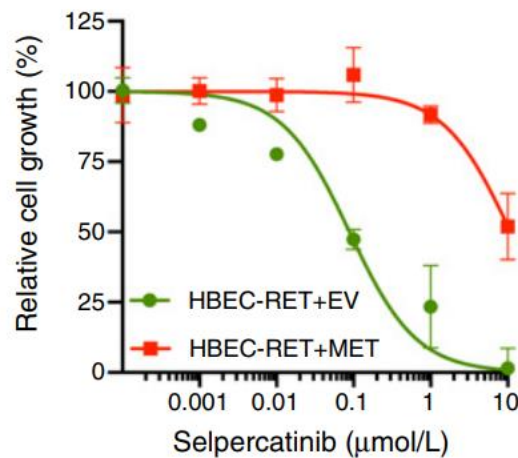
- Acquired RET mutations in 13% (G810X, 10%)
- Potential off target resistance alterations identified in 44% (MET amp, 12%)

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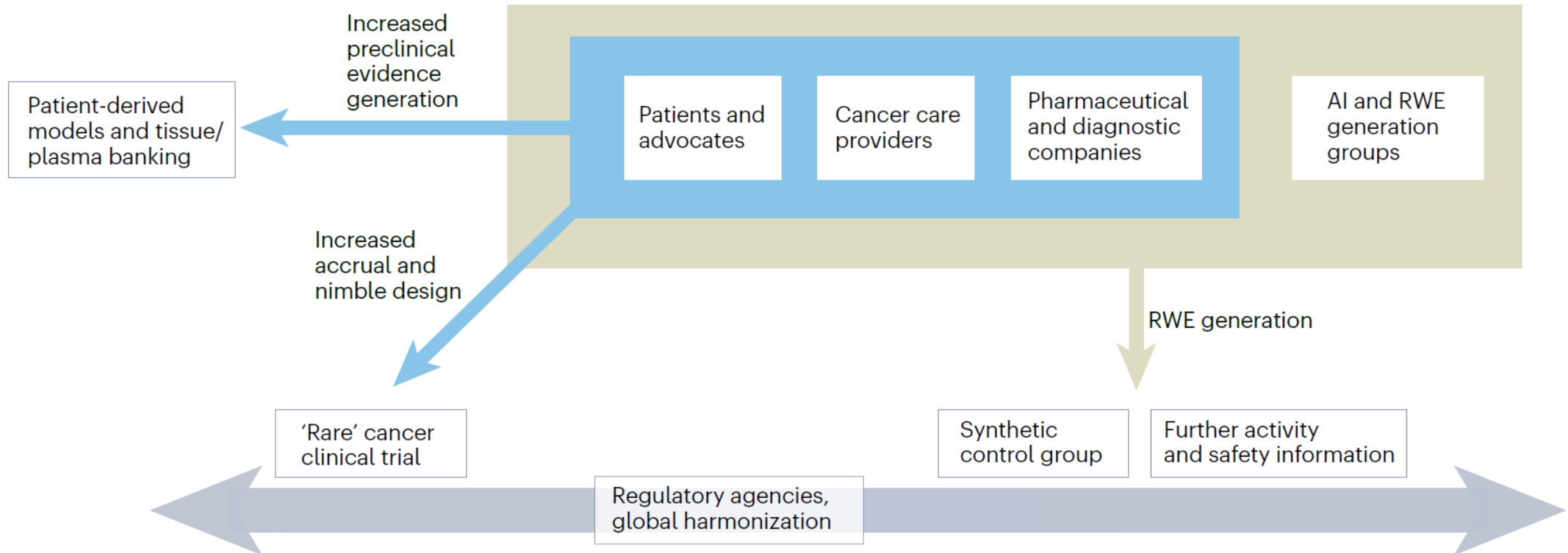
- New RET TKIs that address solvent front mediated resistance

Compound	RET Substitution Coverage			VEGFR2	Other Non-RET Kinases	CNS?	Status
	V804X Gatekeeper	G810X Solvent Front	Other RET Mutation				
TPX-0046 ¹	Less potent	✓	Y806N (hinge)	-	TRKA-C, SRC, FGFR1-2, FLT3, JAK2	?	Phase I/II (NCT04161391)
LOXO-260 ²	✓	✓	G810S+V804M	-	TRKC (40x selectivity)	?	Phase I/II (NCT05241834)
Vepafestinib ^{3,4} (TAS0953/HM06)	✓	✓	Y806C/N	-		✓	Phase I/II (NCT04683250)
EP0031 ⁵ (A400/KL590586)	✓	✓		-	JAK1/2 (10-22x selectivity)	✓	Phase I/II (NCT05443126)
APS03118 ⁶	✓	✓	Y806H	-		✓	Phase I/II (NCT05653869)

- **Combos?** (+ MET inhibitors, i.e., capmatinib or cabozantinib)



Stakeholder cooperation in Rare molecular subtypes



Patient advocates, health-care agencies, investigators and companies with an interest in diagnostics, therapeutics and real-world evidence have already taken steps to surmount the challenges associated with research into low-frequency drivers

The value of National Platforms: ATLAS

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La Piattaforma Database interattiva e sempre aggiornata per lo studio, la caratterizzazione e l'interpretazione delle mutazioni a carico dei geni RAS

KRAS KRAS

PMID

19474002
19884549
22672749
23456389
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SURVEY

Technologies

- SANGER
- RT-PCR
- PYRO
- NGS

Pyrosequencing:

Pyrosequencing is a method of DNA sequencing based on the "sequencing by synthesis" principle and detected number of KRAS mutations (i.e., Reference range Quality)

Coverage Index Real-World

Un atlante relativo alle mutazioni a carico dei geni RAS che rappresenta un aiuto nel comprendere il **carattere predittivo** di ogni specifica mutazione. I contenuti sono stati sviluppati e curati da un **gruppo di esperti di oncologia e patologia molecolare predittiva**.

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KRAS colon c.34G>T p.G12C
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Lo strumento innovativo a servizio della comunità degli esperti per la corretta definizione del valore clinico di ogni specifica mutazione



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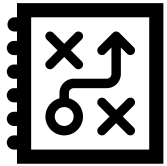
Conclusions

BRAF, ROS1 & RET (& beyond)

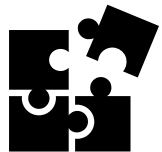
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Therapy → optimize 1st line



Strategy → address resistance (how to best sequence?)



Biology & heterogeneity → dig deep into disease details



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