

Current landscape of targeted therapy in advanced *ALK*-positive NSCLC

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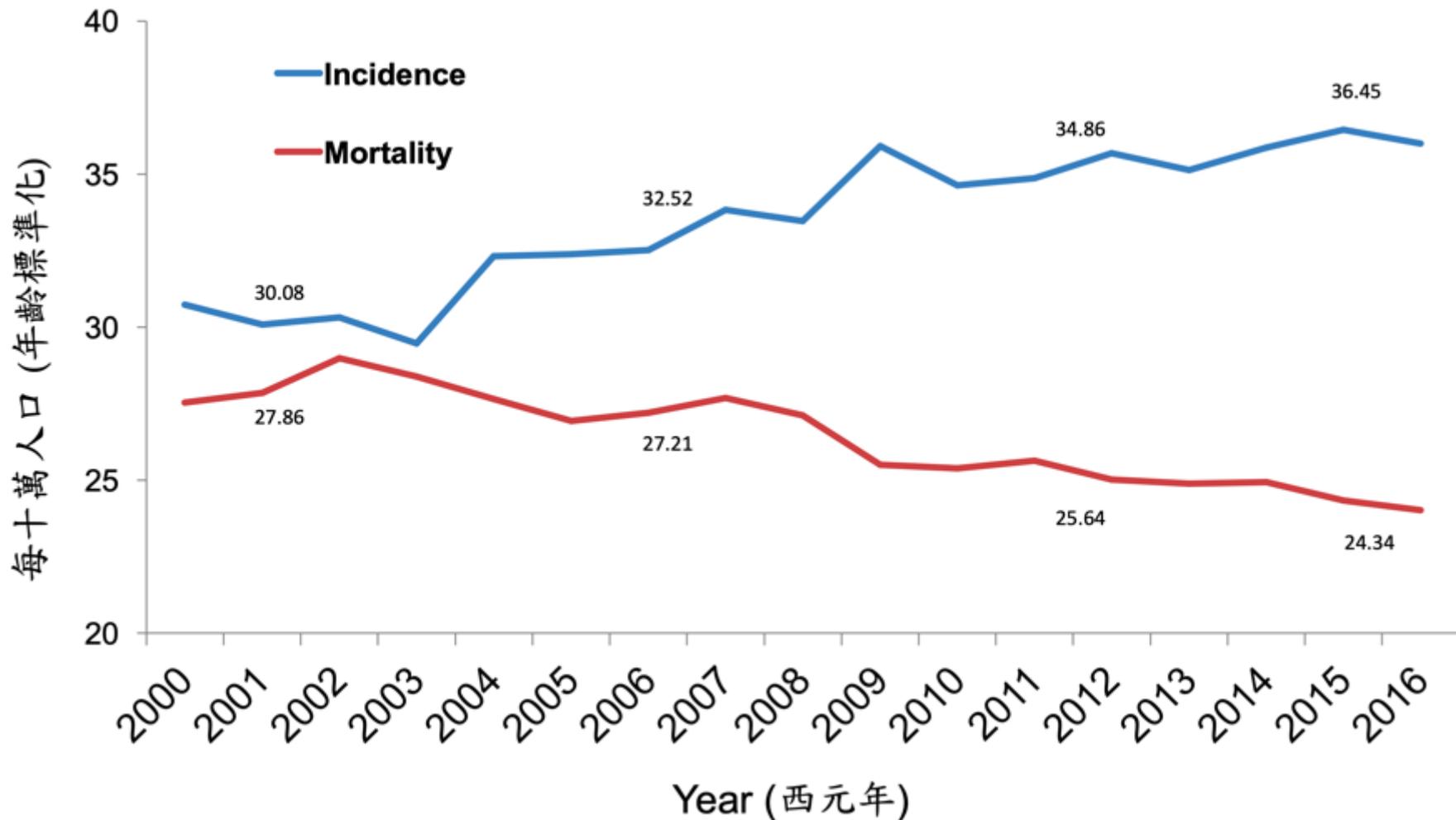
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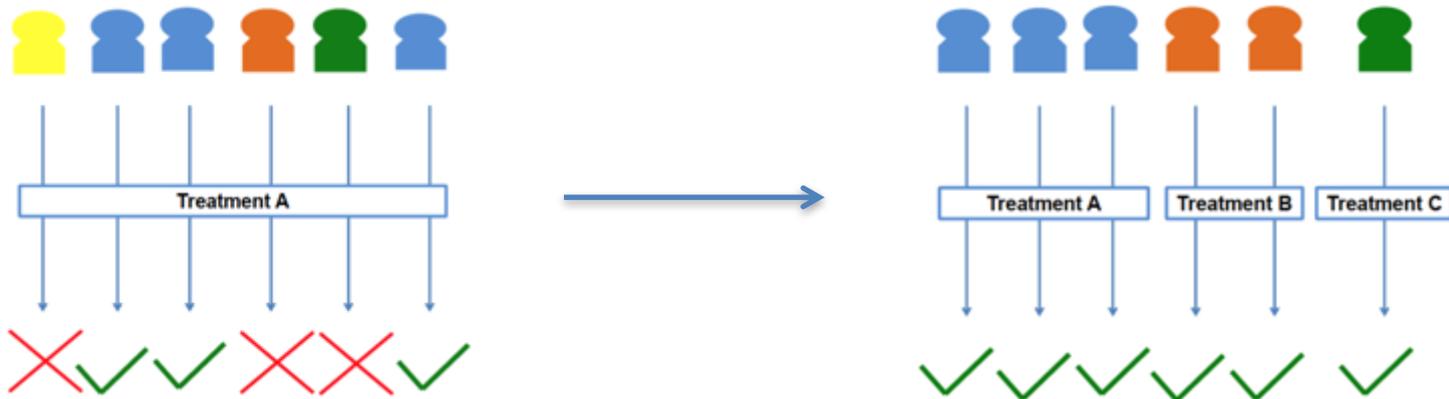
Trend of lung cancer incidence and mortality in Taiwan



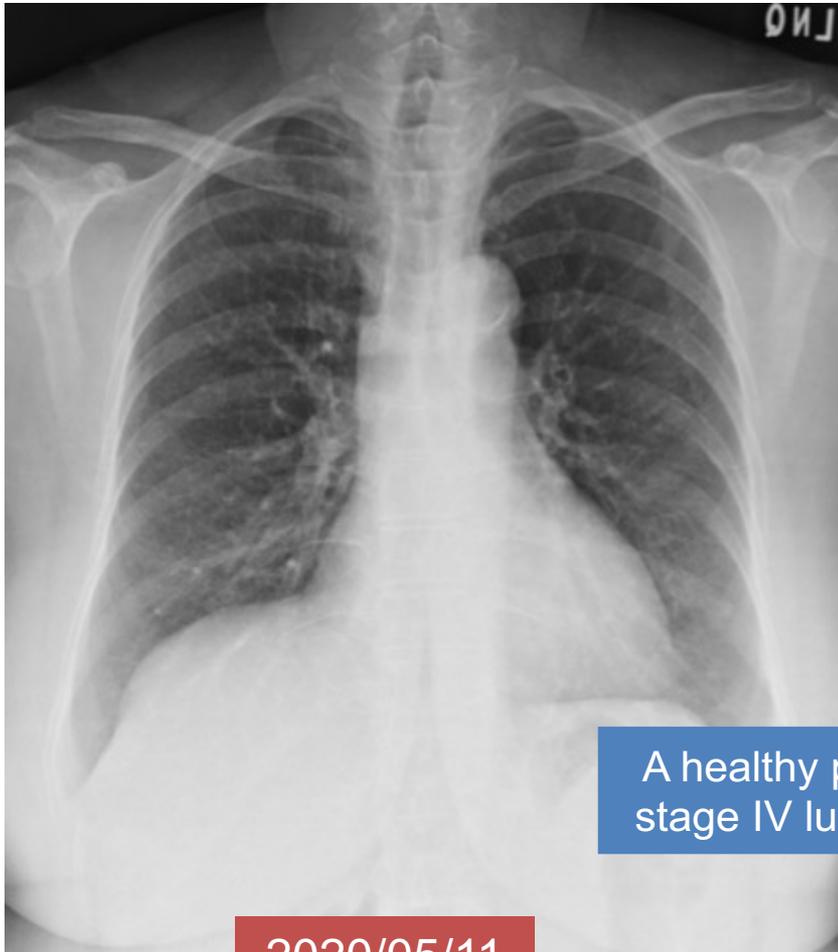
The Outcome of Lung Cancer is Improving

Why ?

Successful patient sorting; personalized therapy



Is there any finding associated with lung cancer in CXR of this 57y/o, non-smoking lady ?



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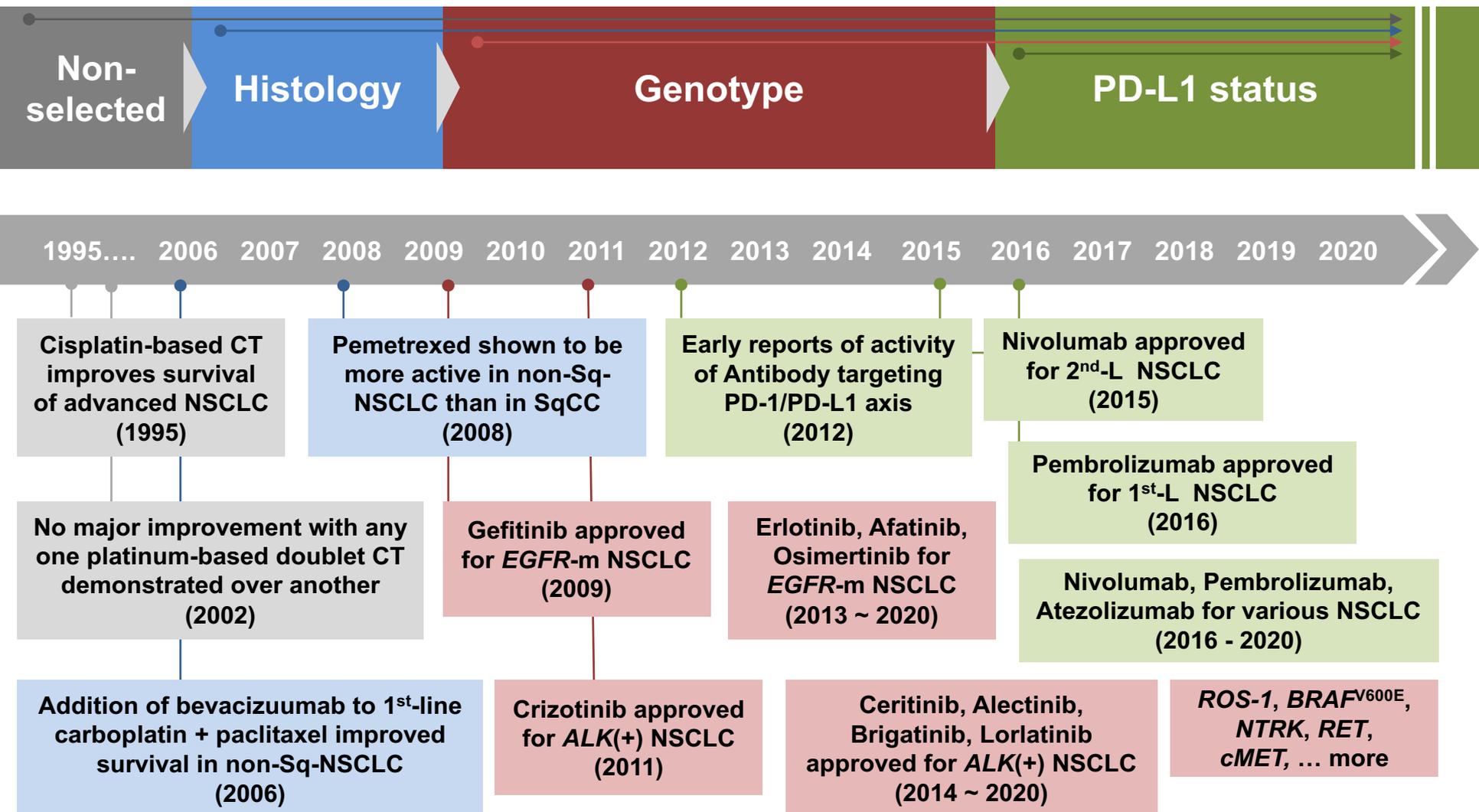
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A healthy person gets stage IV lung cancer ?

What happen to this patient ?



The way toward personalized therapy



What is targeted therapy?

Driver mutation and oncogene addiction

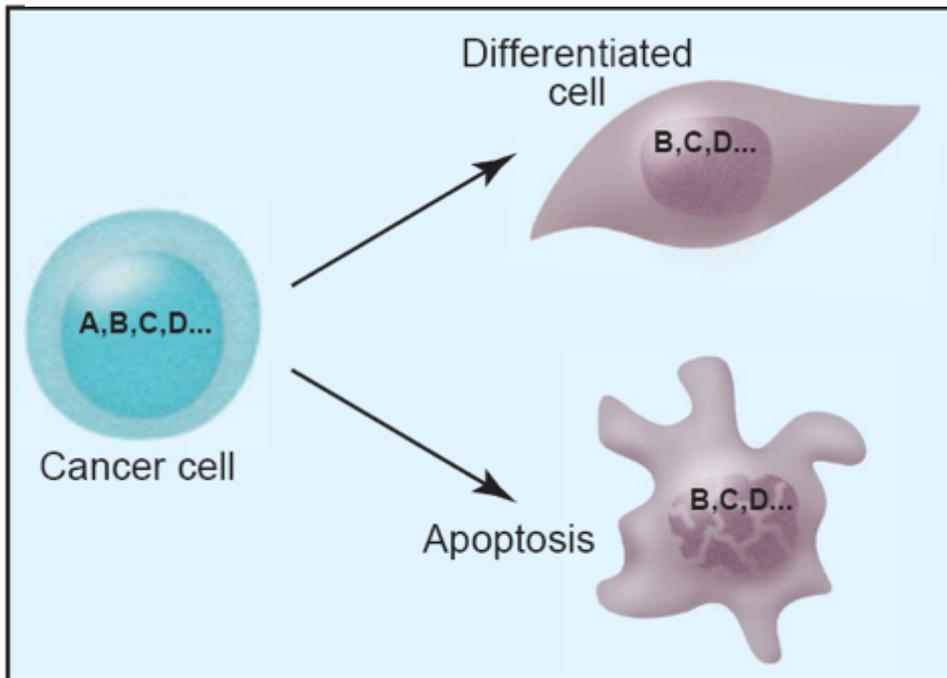


Addiction to Oncogenes--the Achilles Heal of Cancer

I. Bernard Weinstein

Science **297**, 63 (2002);

DOI: 10.1126/science.1073096

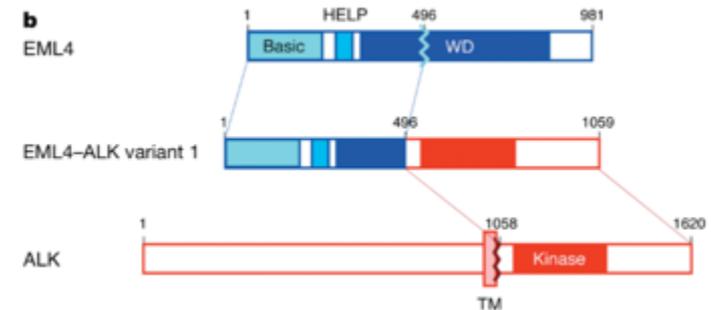


Inactivation of **a single critical oncogene** (A) can induce cancer cells to differentiate into cells with normal phenotype or to undergo apoptosis.

In 2007: *EML4-ALK* fusion was identified as an oncogenic mutation in lung cancer

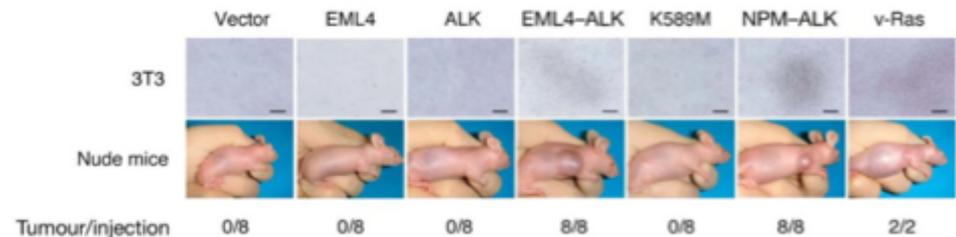
Identification of the transforming *EML4-ALK* fusion gene in non-small-cell lung cancer

Manabu Soda^{1,2}, Young Lim Choi¹, Munehiro Enomoto^{1,2}, Shuji Takada¹, Yoshihiro Yamashita¹, Shunpei Ishikawa⁵, Shin-ichiro Fujiwara¹, Hideki Watanabe¹, Kentaro Kurashina¹, Hisashi Hatanaka¹, Masashi Bando², Shoji Ohno², Yuichi Ishikawa⁶, Hiroyuki Aburatani^{5,7}, Toshiro Niki³, Yasunori Sohara⁴, Yukihiko Sugiyama² & Hiroyuki Mano^{1,7}



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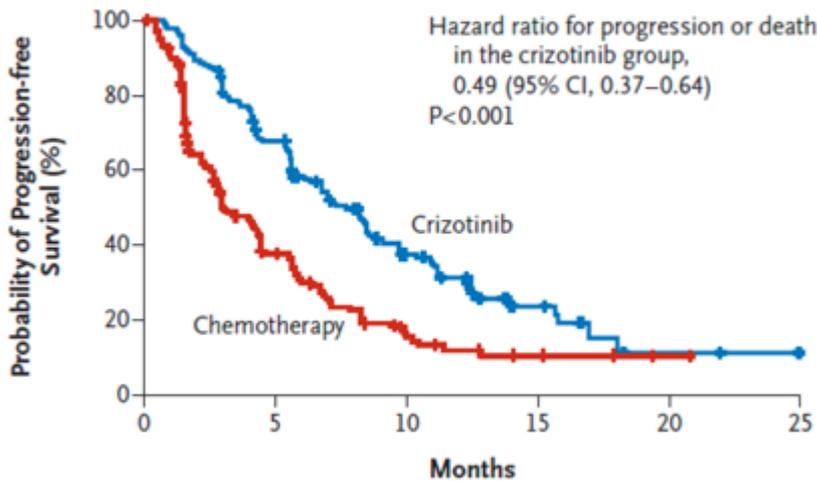
A 62y/o man with adenocarcinoma
Retroviral cDNA expression library

Crizotinib: the 1st-G ALK inhibitor

PROFILE 1007

2nd line vs. CT (single)

Progression-free Survival



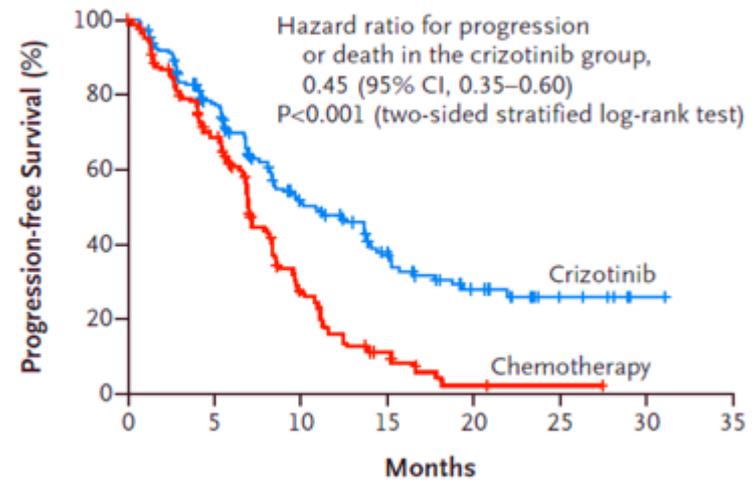
No. at Risk	0	5	10	15	20	25
Crizotinib	173	93	38	11	2	0
Chemotherapy	174	49	15	4	1	0

ORR 65% vs. 20%

PROFILE 1014

1st line vs. CT (platinum)

Progression-free Survival

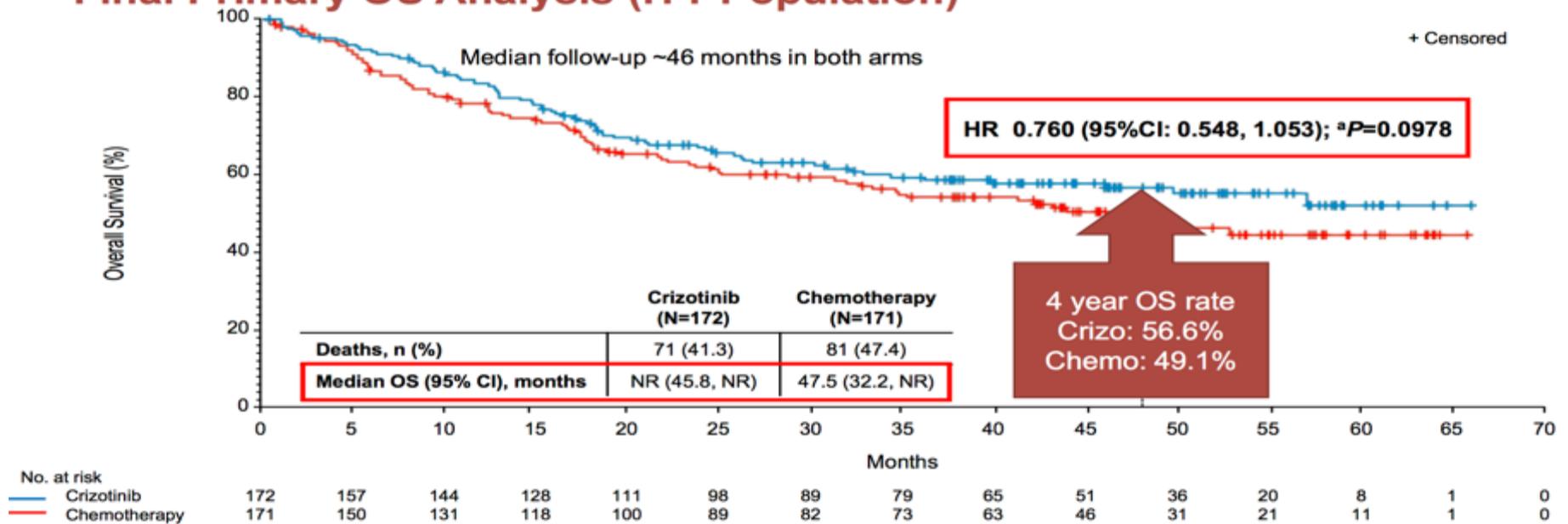


No. at Risk	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35
Crizotinib	172	120	65	38	19	7	1	0
Chemotherapy	171	105	36	12	2	1	0	0

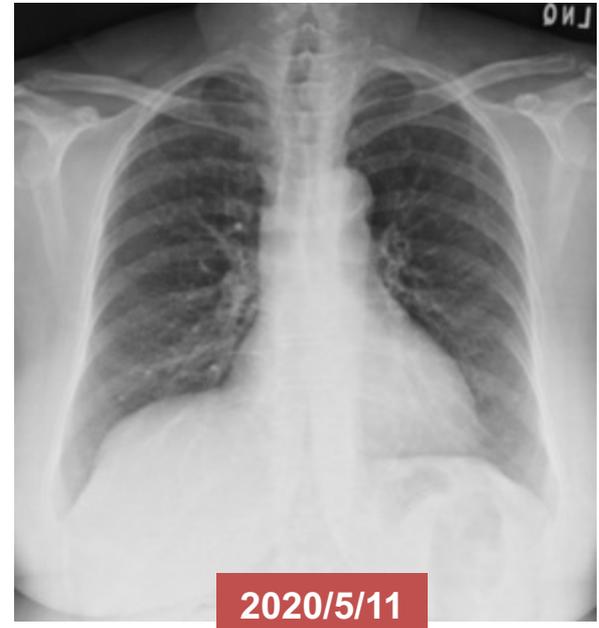
ORR 74% vs. 45%

Promising outcome in *ALK*(+) NSCLC

Final Primary OS Analysis (ITT Population)



What happen to our patient ?



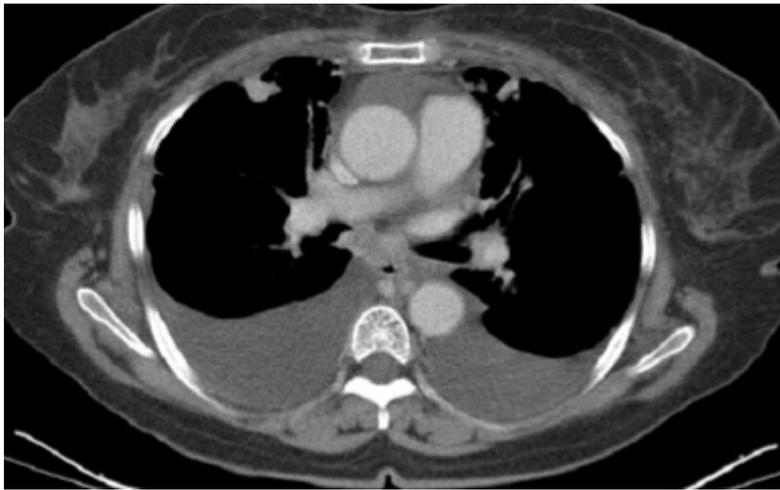
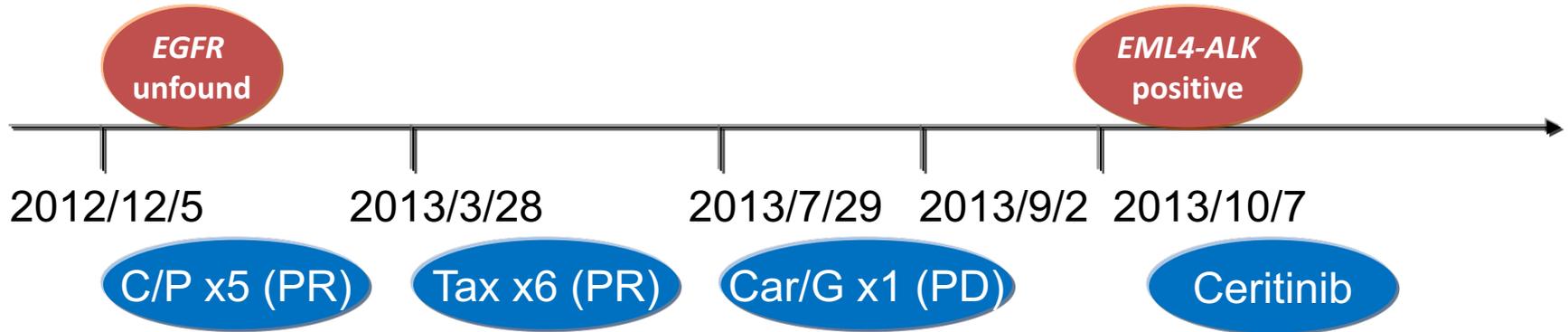
Chan, 57y/o lady, non-smoker, DOE and BWL for 3 months
(Abnormal LDCT at other hospital)



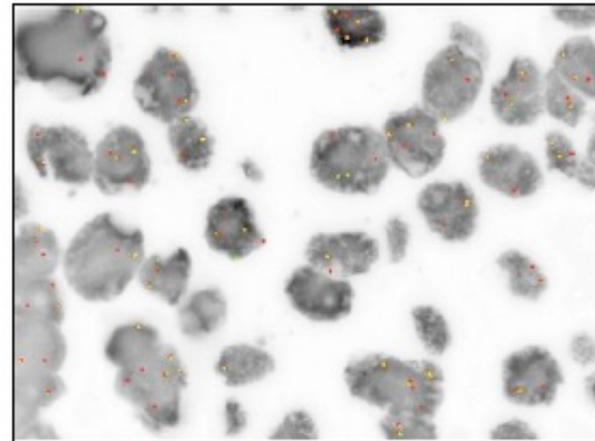
Lung cancer, RML, ADC, cT4N3M1b,
stage IV, lung, neck/retroperitoneal LN
and bone METs, ECOG PS=1.

Ms. Chan 56 year-old lady

Never smoker

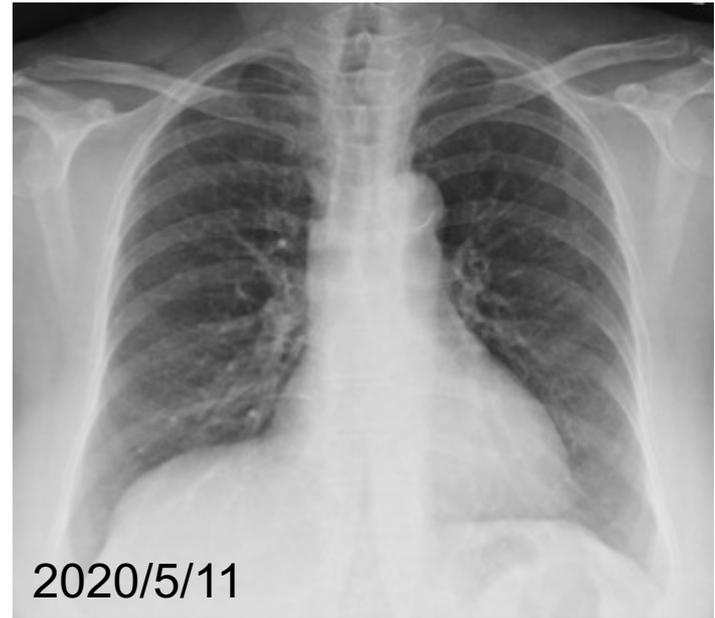
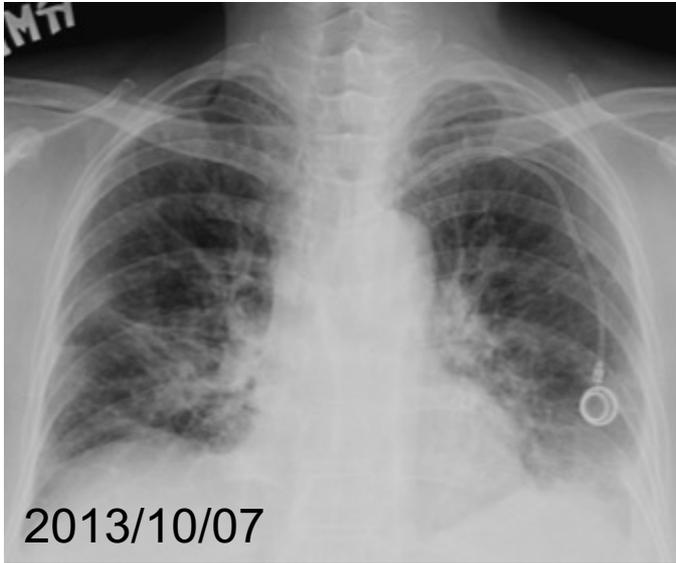


2013/10/2



ALK FISH: Positive ALK

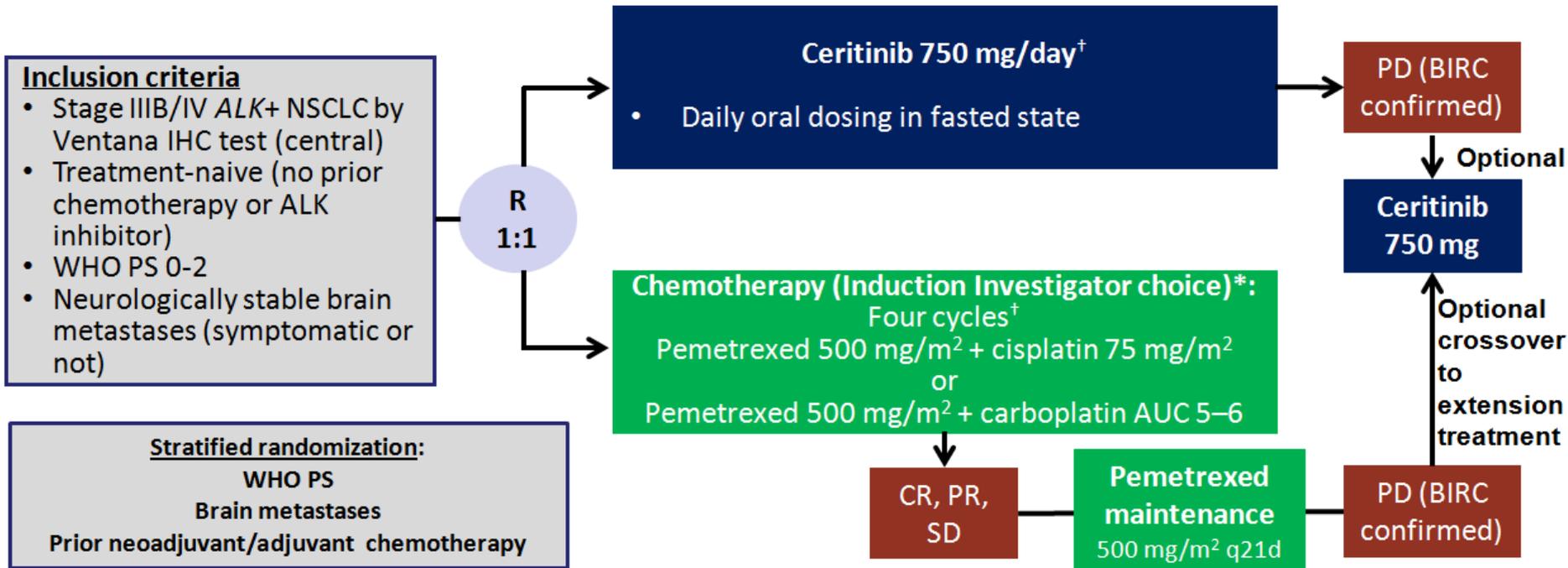
Previous neck LN



ALK: strong positive (report date 10/3/28)

2nd-G ALKi (Ceritinib) therapy since 2013/10/07 (**PFS ~ 7 yrs**)

Ceritinib: ASCEND-4 study

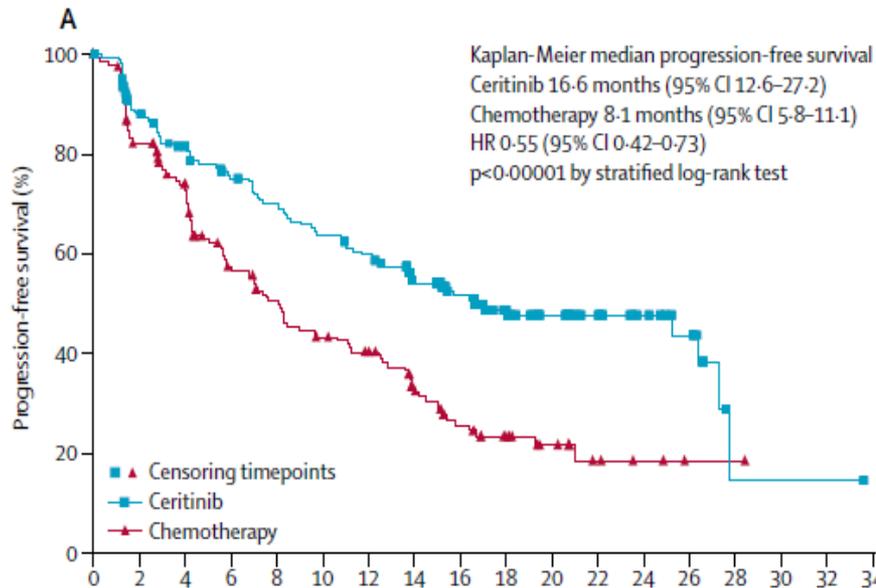


*At the time when ASCEND-4 was designed and initiated, pemetrexed-platinum chemotherapy followed by pemetrexed maintenance was the standard of care in patients with non-squamous advanced NSCLC

[†]One cycle = 21 days

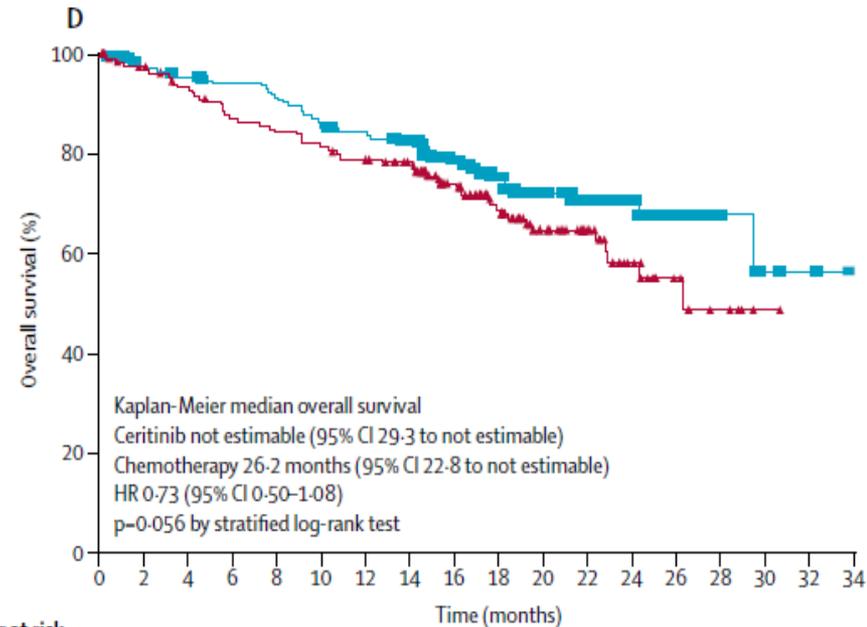
BIRC, Blinded Independent Review Committee; CR, complete response; IHC, immunohistochemistry; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; PS, performance status; SD, stable disease; WHO, World Health Organization;

Efficacy of Ceritinib in 1st-line



Number at risk

	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34
Ceritinib	189	155	139	125	116	105	98	76	59	43	32	23	16	11	1	1	1	0
Chemotherapy	187	136	114	82	71	60	53	35	24	16	11	5	3	1	1	0	0	0



Number at risk

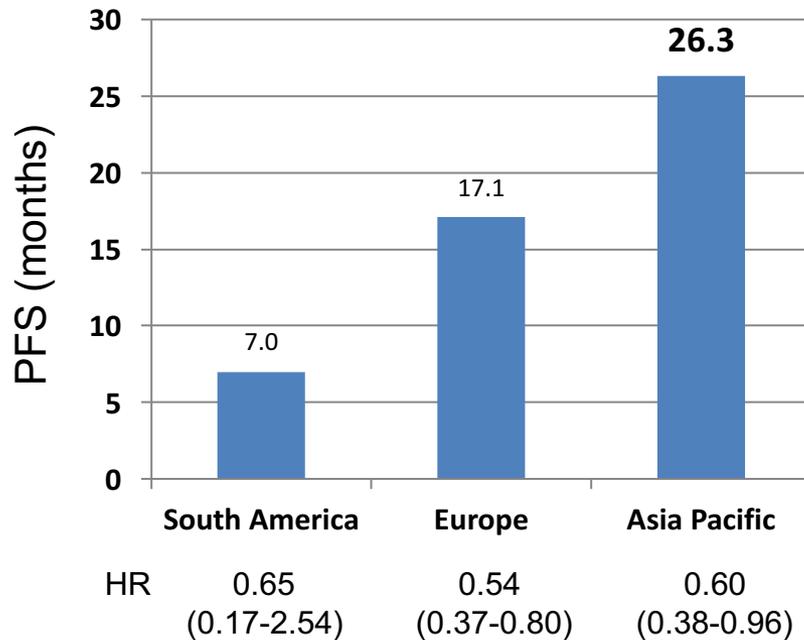
	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34
Ceritinib	189	180	175	171	165	155	150	138	103	77	56	39	26	18	6	3	2	0
Chemotherapy	187	172	161	150	146	141	134	124	97	69	49	35	19	10	5	1	0	0

ORR: 72.5% vs. 26.7%
 Time to response: 6.1 vs. 13.4 weeks
 Duration of response: 23.9 vs. 11.1 months

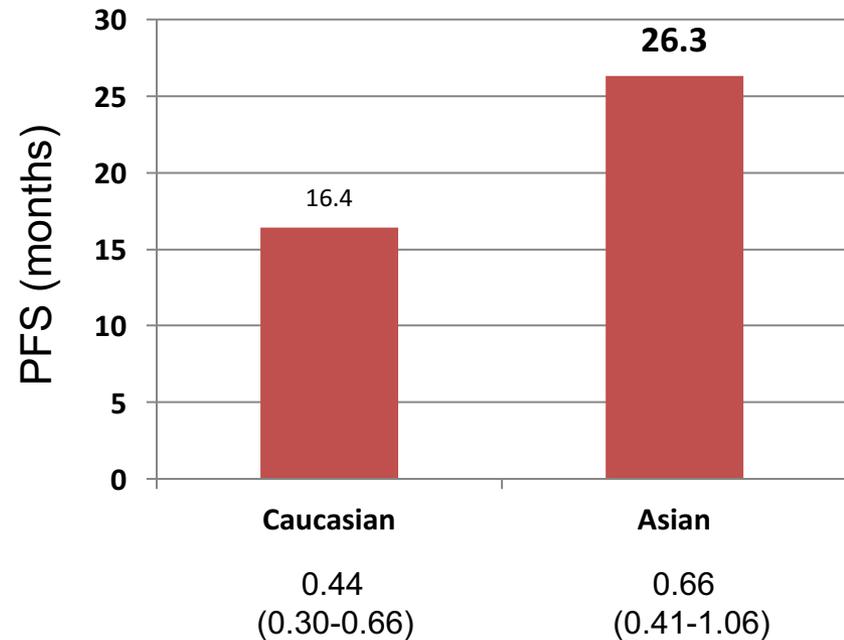
*Data by BIRC (blinded independent review committee)

Ceritinib works better among Asians ?

Geographic region



Race



Ceritinib in 1st-line: AE

	Ceritinib (n=189)		Chemotherapy (n=175)	
	All grades	Grade 3 or 4	All grades	Grade 3 or 4
Any adverse event	189 (100%)	148 (78%)	170 (97%)	108 (62%)
Diarrhoea	160 (85%)	10 (5%)	19 (11%)	2 (1%)
Nausea	130 (69%)	5 (3%)	97 (55%)	9 (5%)
Vomiting	125 (66%)	10 (5%)	63 (36%)	10 (6%)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	114 (60%)	58 (31%)	38 (22%)	5 (3%)
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	100 (53%)	32 (17%)	34 (19%)	3 (2%)
Gamma-glutamyltransferase increased	70 (37%)	54 (29%)	18 (10%)	3 (2%)
Decreased appetite	64 (34%)	2 (1%)	55 (31%)	2 (1%)
Blood alkaline phosphatase increased	55 (29%)	14 (7%)	8 (5%)	1 (1%)
Fatigue	55 (29%)	8 (4%)	52 (30%)	5 (3%)
Abdominal pain	47 (25%)	4 (2%)	13 (7%)	0
Cough	46 (24%)	0	28 (16%)	0
Weight decreased	45 (24%)	7 (4%)	26 (15%)	1 (1%)
Blood creatinine increased	42 (22%)	4 (2%)	17 (10%)	0
Upper abdominal pain	39 (21%)	3 (2%)	10 (6%)	0
Non-cardiac chest pain	38 (20%)	2 (1%)	17 (10%)	1 (1%)
Back pain	36 (19%)	3 (2%)	32 (18%)	4 (2%)
Constipation	36 (19%)	0	38 (22%)	0
Pyrexia	34 (18%)	0	24 (14%)	2 (1%)
Asthenia	33 (17.5%)	5 (3%)	36 (21%)	6 (3%)
Headache	31 (16%)	0	21 (12%)	2 (1%)
Dyspnoea	29 (15%)	4 (2%)	35 (20%)	11 (6%)
Anaemia	28 (15%)	4 (2%)	62 (35%)	13 (7%)
Neutropenia	9 (5%)	1 (1%)	38 (22%)	19 (11%)
White blood cell count decreased	7 (4%)	0	31 (18%)	7 (4%)

Most common AE:

- Ceritinib: **diarrhea, N/V, LFT↑**
- C/T: N/V, anemia

Discontinuation due to study drug related AE:

- Ceritinib: **5.3%**
- C/T: 11.4%

AE-related dose adjustment

- Ceritinib: **80%**
- C/T: 45%

“**ASCEND-8**”:

- Similar PK between low fat diet and fasting, but GI AEs↓

Phase III Clinical Trials



Crizotinib > Chemotherapy

Ceritinib >> Chemotherapy

Alectinib >> Crizotinib

Brigatinib >> Crizotinib

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³ALEX: Peters S et al. N Engl J Med 2017; 377:829-38.

⁴ALTA 1L: Camidge DR et al. WCLC 2018.

ALKi(s) as the 1st line Tx. for ALK+ NSCLC

Patient characteristics

Study	ALKi	Asians (%)	Smoker (%)	ADC (%)	CNS (+) (%)	PS = 2 (%)	1 ^o endpoint
PROFILE 1014 ¹	Crizotinib	45	38	94	26	6	IRC PFS
ASCEND-4 ²	Ceritinib	40	43	95	31	7	IRC PFS
ASCEND-8 ^{3#}	Ceritinib [#]	40	36	99	33	8	PK (plasma)
ALEX ⁴	Alectinib	46	35	94	38	7	INV PFS
ALTA 1L ⁵	Brigatinib	43	39	92	29	4	IRC PFS

ADC, adenocarcinoma; PS, ECOG performance status.

All were phase III RCT, except ASCEND-8 study.

*Patient No. of target ALKi.

[#]Ceritinib 450mg fed (efficacy analysis set): **57.5%** ongoing without event/death

NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; NR, not reached.

IRC: independent review committee; INV: investigator assessed.

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ALKi(s) as the 1st line Tx. for ALK+ NSCLC

Overall efficacy

Study	No.*	ALKi	Comparator	ORR (%)	PFS (m)&	DOR (m)	OS (m)
PROFILE 1014 ¹	172	Crizotinib	Platinum-CT	74%	10.9 (8.3-13.9)	11.3 (8.1-13.8)	NR
ASCEND-4 ²	189	Ceritinib	Platinum-CT	73%	16.6 (12.6-27.2)	23.9 (16.6-NR)	NR
ASCEND-8 ³	73	Ceritinib [#]	Ceritinib	78%	NR (11.8-NR)	NR (11.2-NR)	NR
ALEX ⁴	152	Alectinib	Crizotinib	83%	25.7 (19.9-NR)	NR	NR
ALTA 1L ⁵	137	Brigatinib	Crizotinib	71%	24.0 (18.5-NR)	NR	NR

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[&]**BIRC evaluated.**

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AE-related outcomes

	Crizotinib ¹	Ceritinib ²		Alectinib ¹	Brigatinib ³
	250mg bid	750mg fasted	450mg fed	600mg bid	90→180mg qd
Gr. 3 or more AEs	50%	62%	65%	41%	61%
Dose interruption	25%	70%	45%	19%	-
Dose reduction	21%	40%	18%	16%	29%
Discontinuation	13%	7%	7%	11%	12%

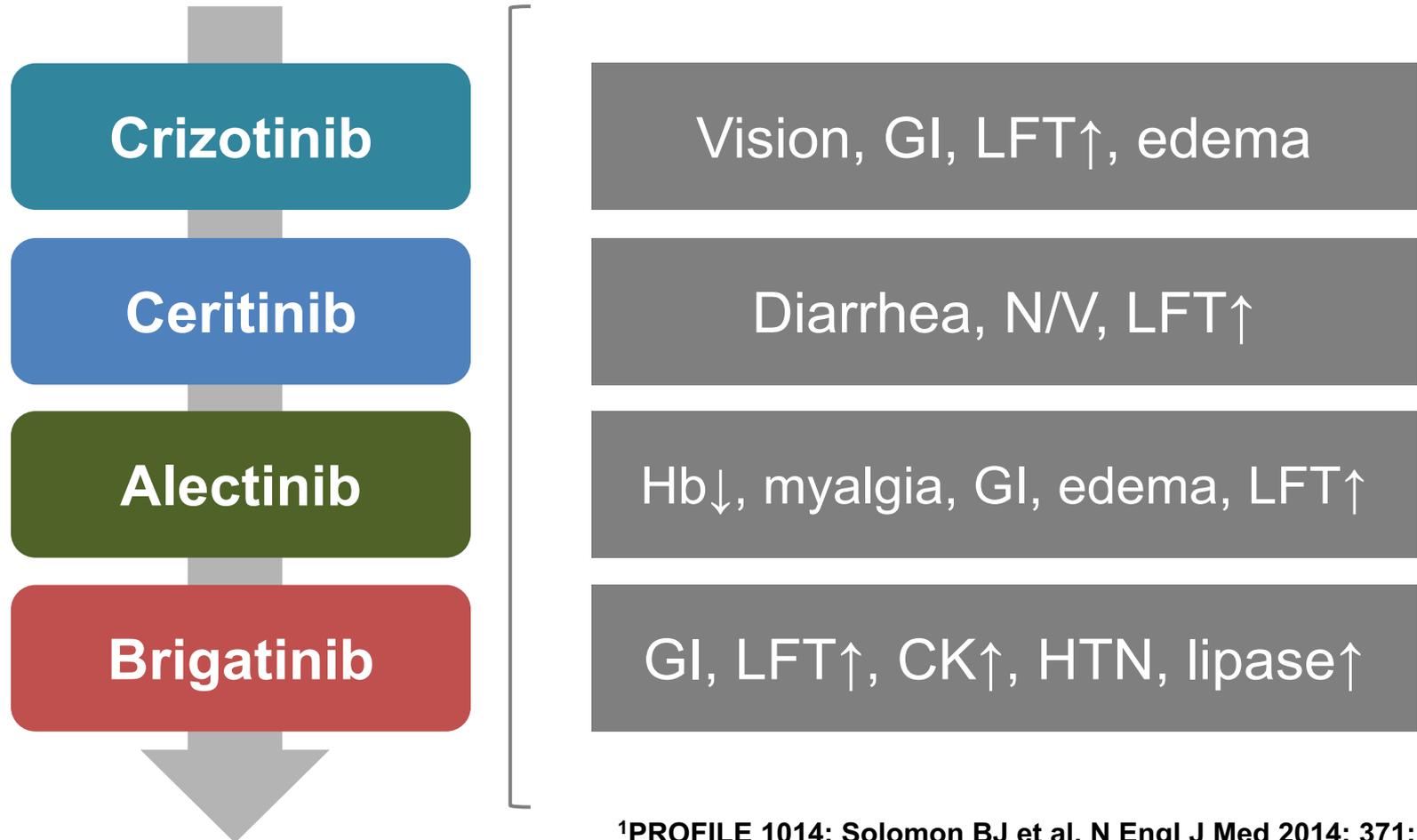
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³ALTA-1L (phase III), Camidge DR et al. N Engl J Med 2018.

Most common AEs of ALKi(s)

The AEs were different between ALKi(s)



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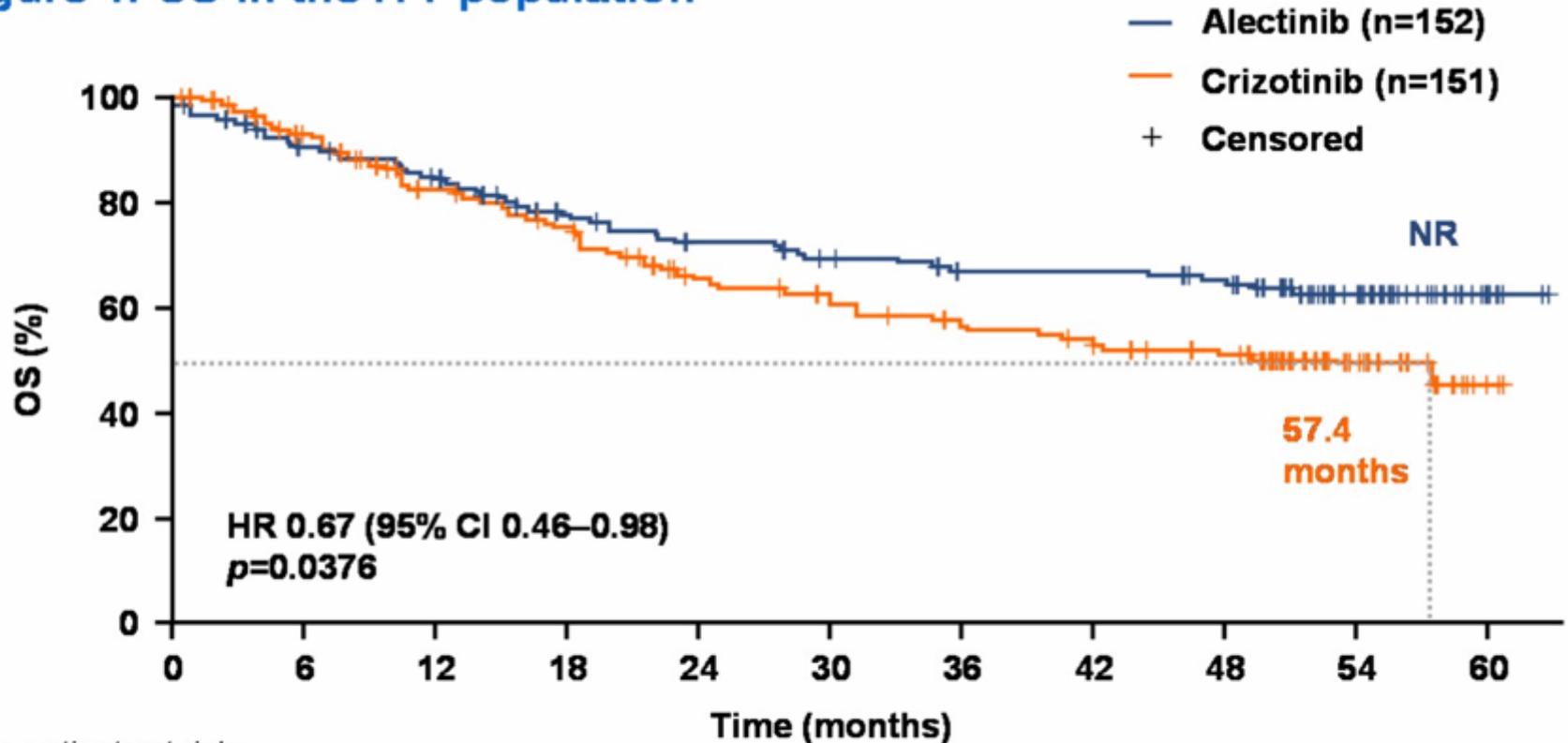
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ALEX: updated OS data

Figure 1. OS in the ITT population

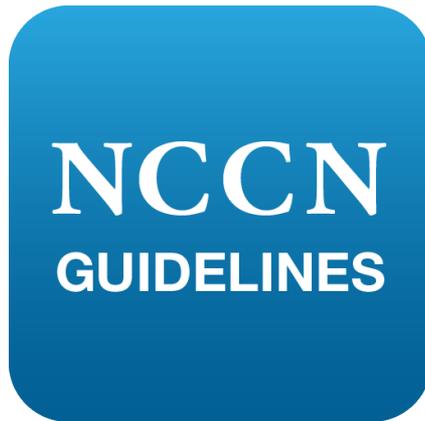


No. patients at risk:

Alectinib	152	142	131	127	120	111	103	98	94	94	88	87	81	81	81	80	77	62	46	23	8
Crizotinib	151	141	128	116	104	100	93	84	73	71	67	63	60	59	55	51	48	35	18	12	3

5-year OS rate: 62.5% vs. 45.5%

Undoubtedly, the standard front line therapy is *ALK* inhibitor(s)



Preferred
Alectinib^{PP} (category 1)
Other Recommended
Brigatinib^{PP} (category 1)
or
Ceritinib^{PP} (category 1)
Useful in Certain
Circumstances
Crizotinib^{PP} (category 1)



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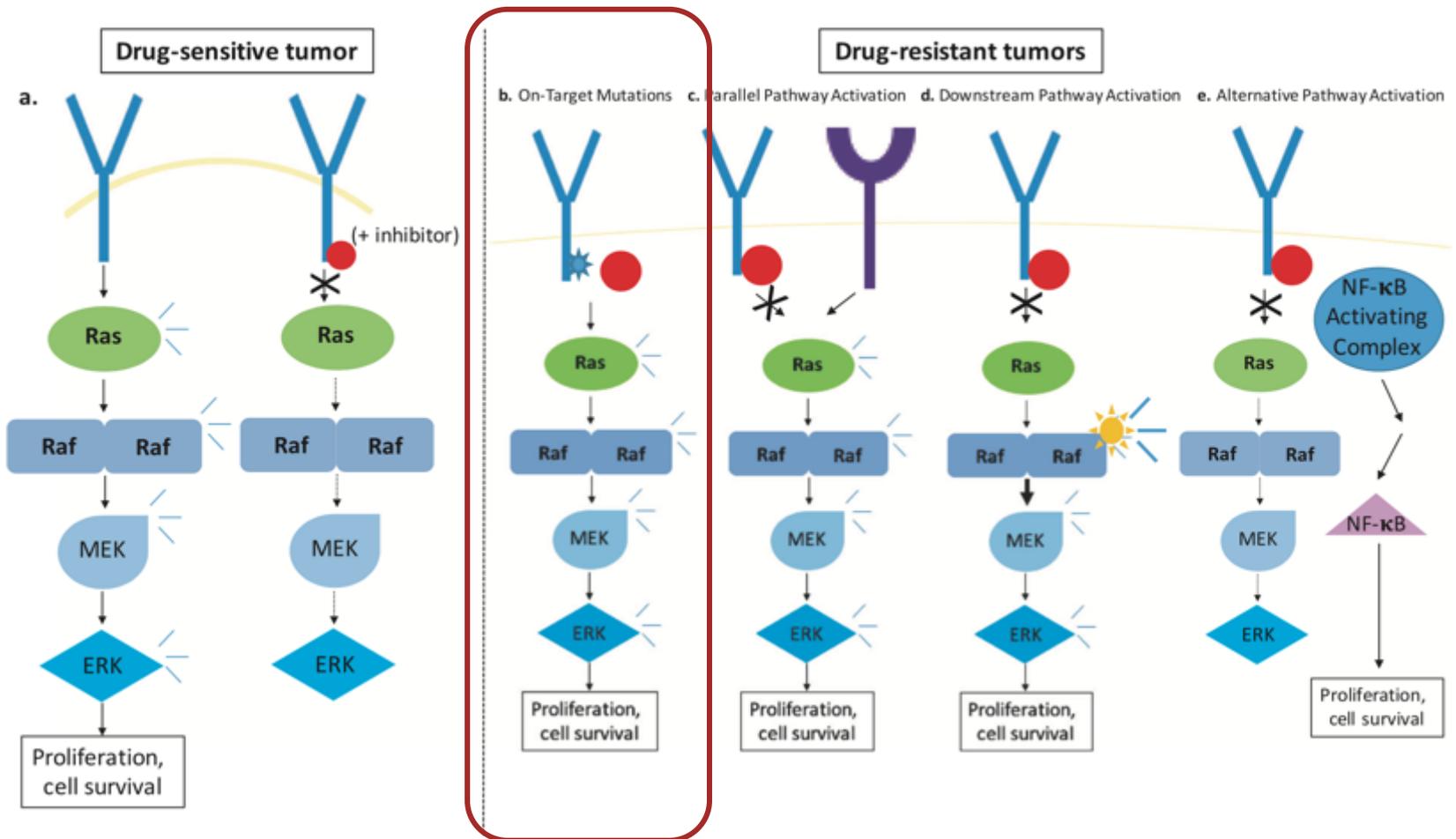
In patients with CNS involvement, front-line use of ALK TKIs is effective, and alectinib [III, A] or ceritinib [IV, B] are recommended,

Second line treatment

1. Crizotinib → 2nd-line choice ?
2. 2nd-G ALKi → 2nd-line choice ?

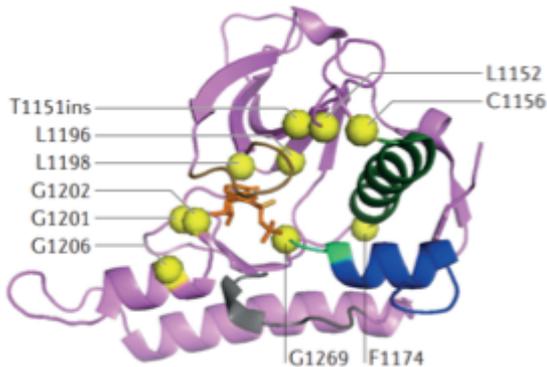
Acquired resistance inevitably occurs

on- and off-target



Secondary ALK mut(s) mediate ALKi resistance

Cellular ALK Phosphorylation Mean IC ₅₀ (nM)					
Mutation status	Crizotinib	Ceritinib	Alectinib	Brigatinib	Lorlatinib
Parental Ba/F3	763.9	885.7	890.1	2774.0	11293.8
EML4-ALKv1	38.6	4.9	11.4	10.7	2.3
C1156Y	61.9	5.3	11.6	4.5	4.6
I1171N	130.1	8.2	397.7	26.1	49.0
I1171S	94.1	3.8	117.0	17.8	30.4
I1171T	51.4	1.7	33.6	6.1	11.5
F1174C	115.0	38.0	27.0	18.0	8.0
L1196M	339.0	9.3	117.6	26.5	34.0
L1198F	0.4	196.2	42.3	13.9	14.8
G1202R	381.6	124.4	706.6	129.5	49.9
G1202del	58.4	50.1	58.8	95.8	5.2
D1203N	116.3	35.3	27.9	34.6	11.1
E1210K	42.8	5.8	31.6	24.0	1.7
G1269A	117.0	0.4	25.0	ND	10.0



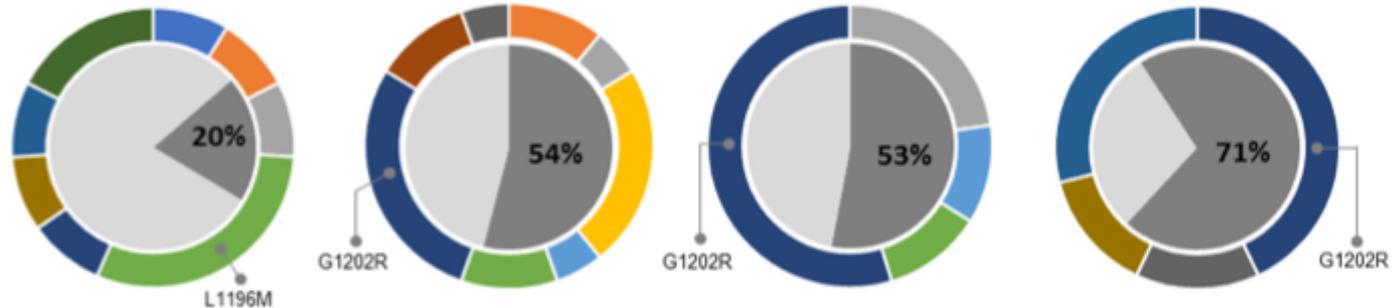
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- IC₅₀ >50 ~ <200nm
- IC₅₀ ≥ 200nm

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Resistance of 2nd-G ALK TKI

■ ALK mutations (%)

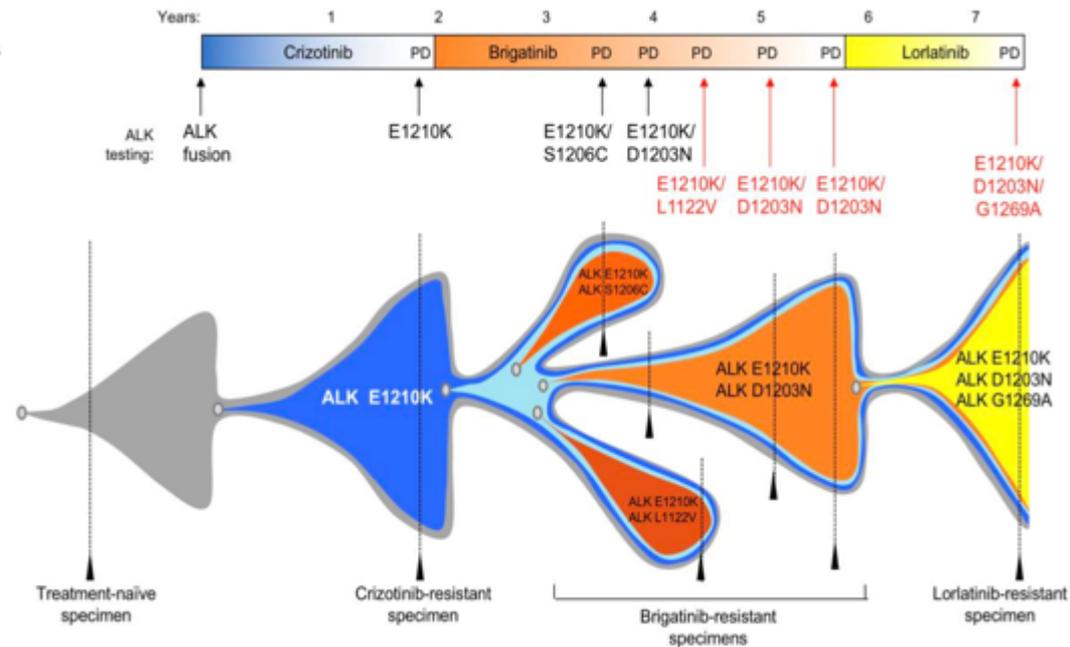
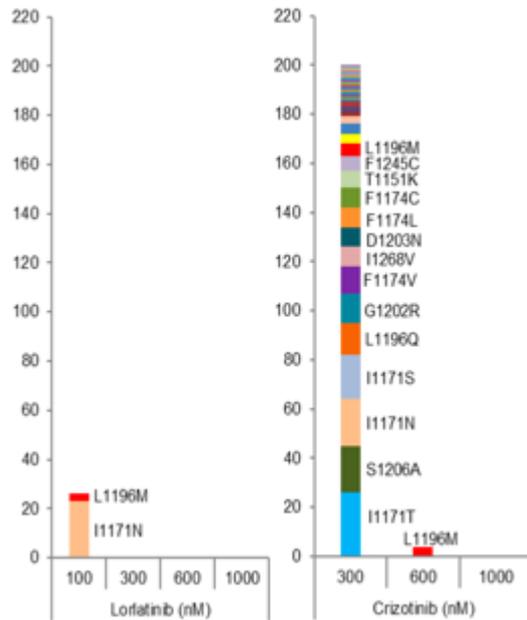
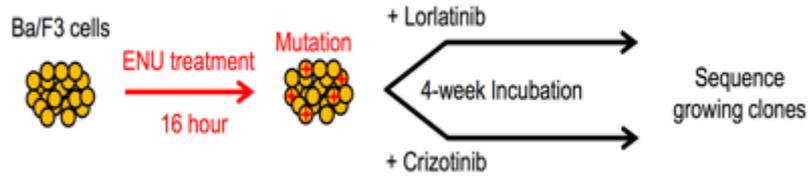
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- V1180L
- G1202R
- D1203N
- E1210K
- C1156Y
- F1174L/C
- L1196M
- G1202del
- S1206Y/C
- G1269A



Prior ALKi, n (%)	Crizotinib (n=51*)	Ceritinib (n=23*)	Alectinib (n = 17)	Brigatinib (n = 6*)
Crizotinib	51 (100)	21 (91)	17 (100)	5 (83)
Ceritinib	1 (2)	23 (100)	3 (18)	-
Alectinib	-	3 (13)	17 (100)	-
Brigatinib	-	-	-	6 (100)

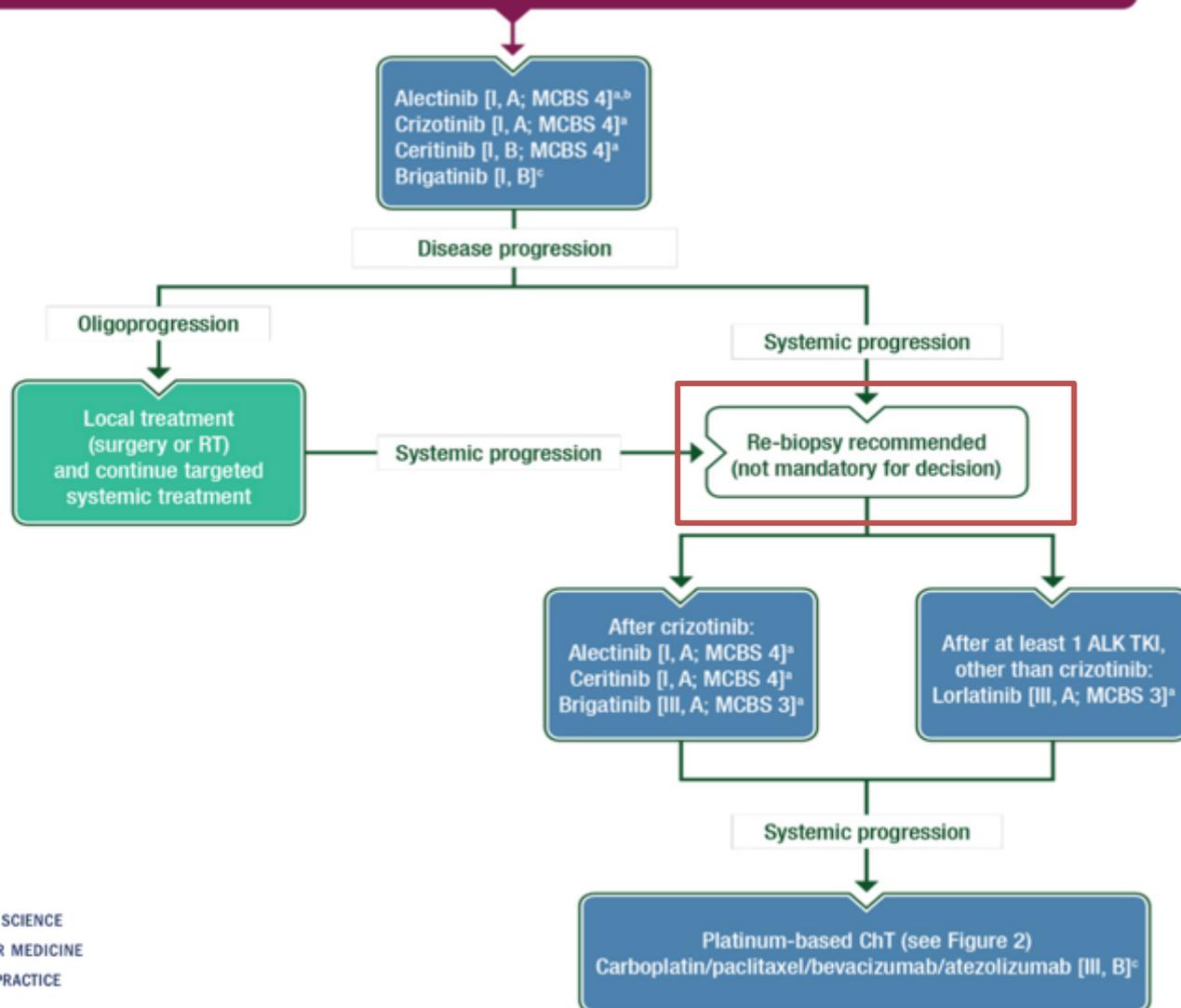
*4 of crizotinib, 1 of ceritinib and 1 of brigatinib with 2 separate biopsies.

Sequential ALKi can select for lorlatinib-resistant compound ALK mutations

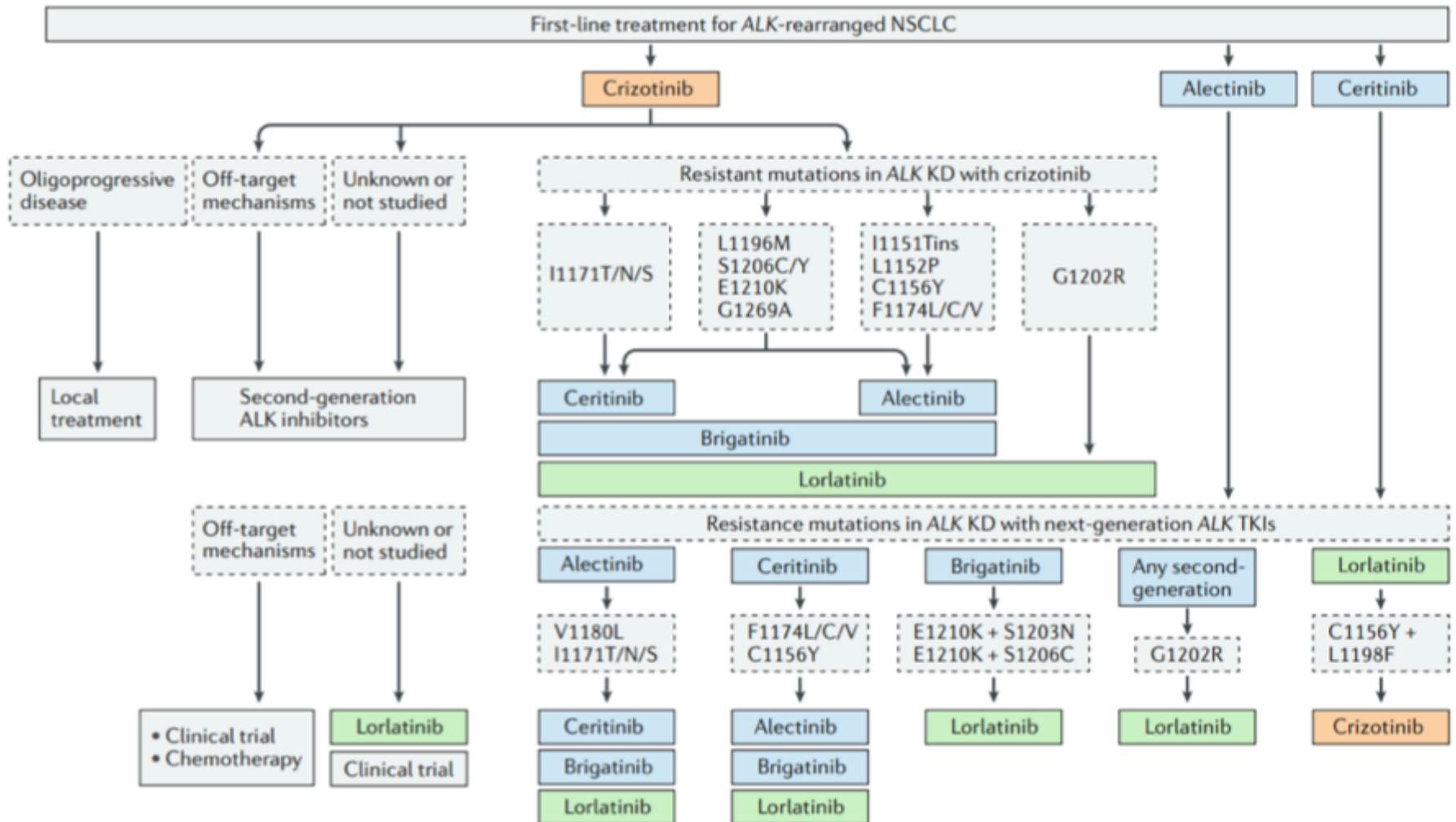


ESMO guideline: mNSCLC

Stage IV lung carcinoma with *ALK* translocation



Biomarker integration in patient management

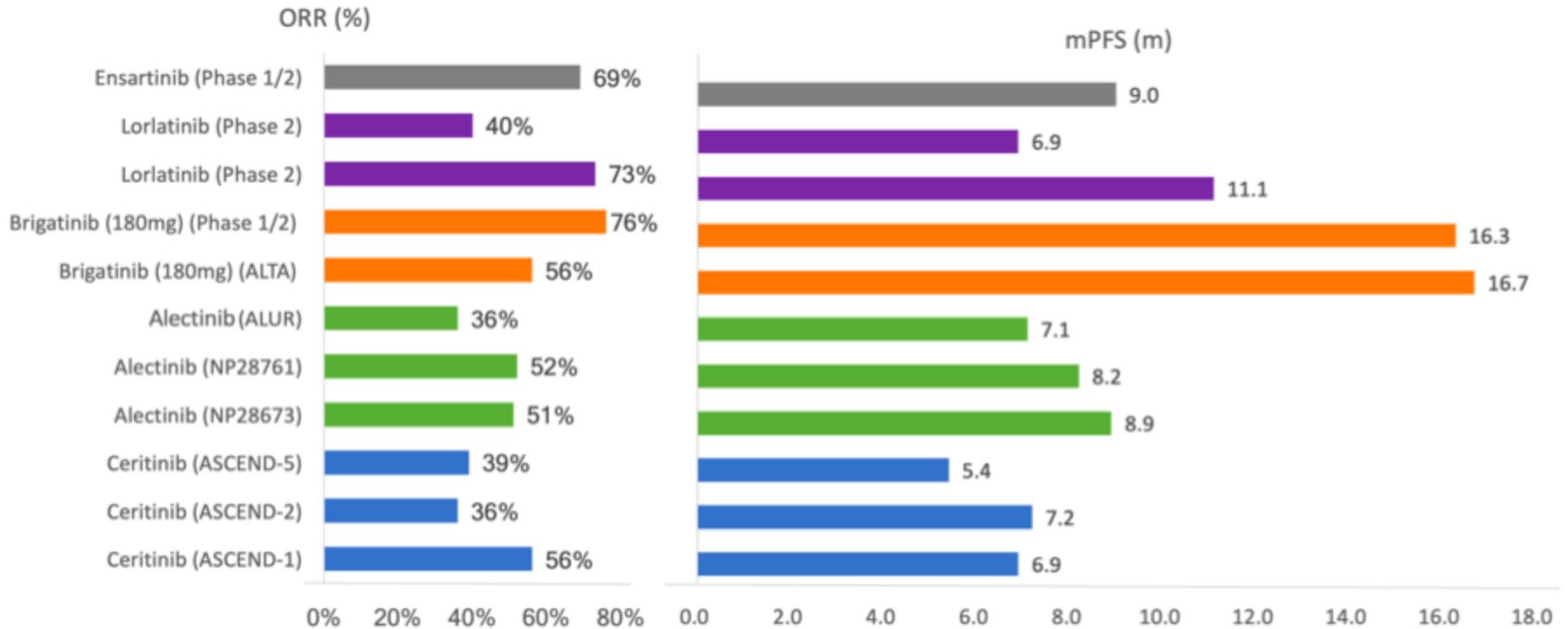


Second line treatment

1. **Crizotinib** → **2nd-line choice ?**
2. **2nd-G ALKi** → **2nd-line choice ?**

ALKi(s) systemic efficacy post-crizotinib

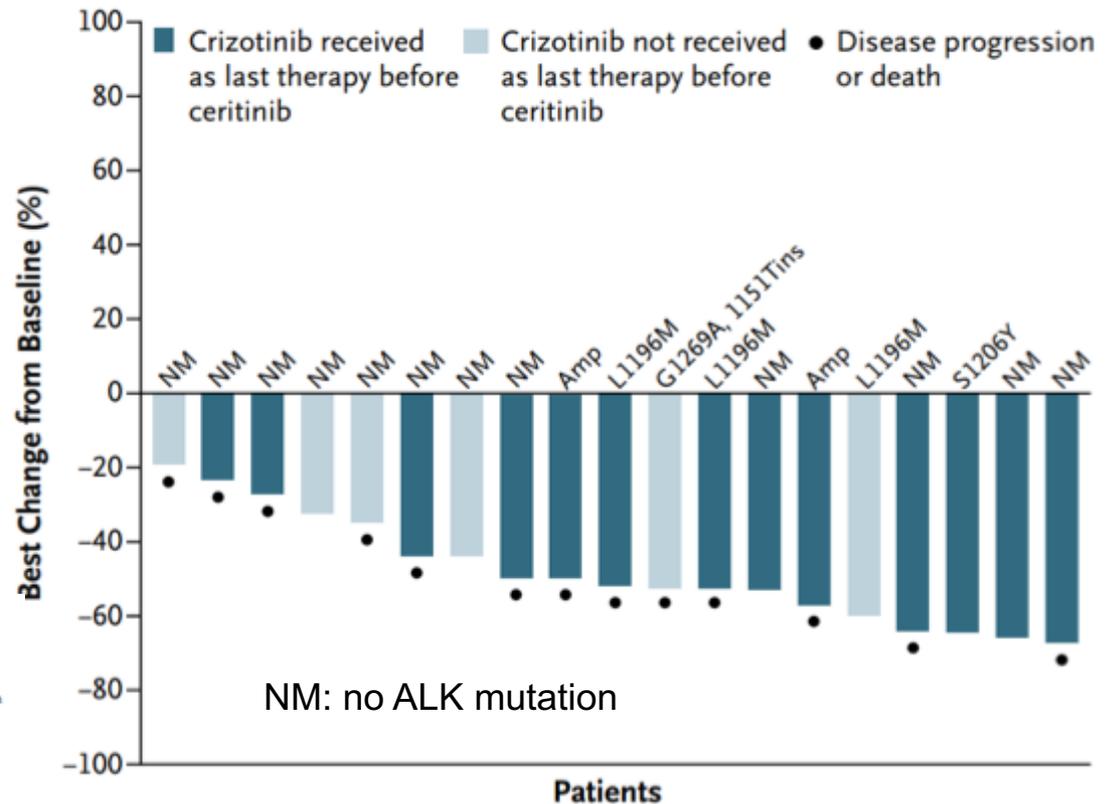
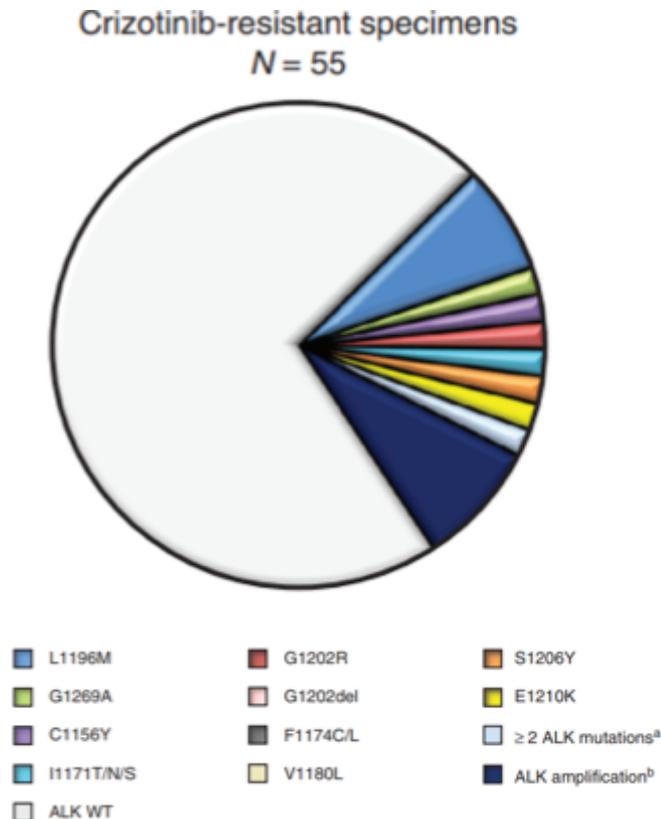
PFS remarkably consistent across trials from same drug but differs by drug, despite similar ORR.
 Differ in control of CNS? Differ in suppression of acquired resistance not dominant at baseline? Including non-ALK mechanisms?



Hom L et al. Clin Cancer Res 2018; 24:2771-9; Besse B et al. J Clin Oncol 2018; 36(15 suppl; abstr 9032); Huber RM et al. J Clin Oncol 2018; 36(15suppl; abstr 9061); Bazhenova L. et al. Ann Oncol 2017; 28 (suppl_5):v460-96; Baresi F et al. Ann Oncol 2016; 27(suppl 6 (suppl 6, abstr 1263P); Camidge DR et al. J Thorac Oncol 2017; 12:S378 (MA07.02); Novello S et al. Ann Oncol 2017; 28(suppl 5); abstr 12990_PR); Kim DW et al. Lancet Oncol 2016; 17:452-63; Crino L et al. J Clin Oncol 2016; 34:2866-73; Shaw AT et al. Lancet Oncol 2017; 7:874-86.

Post-crizotinib: Is rebiopsy needed?

Ceritinib Data

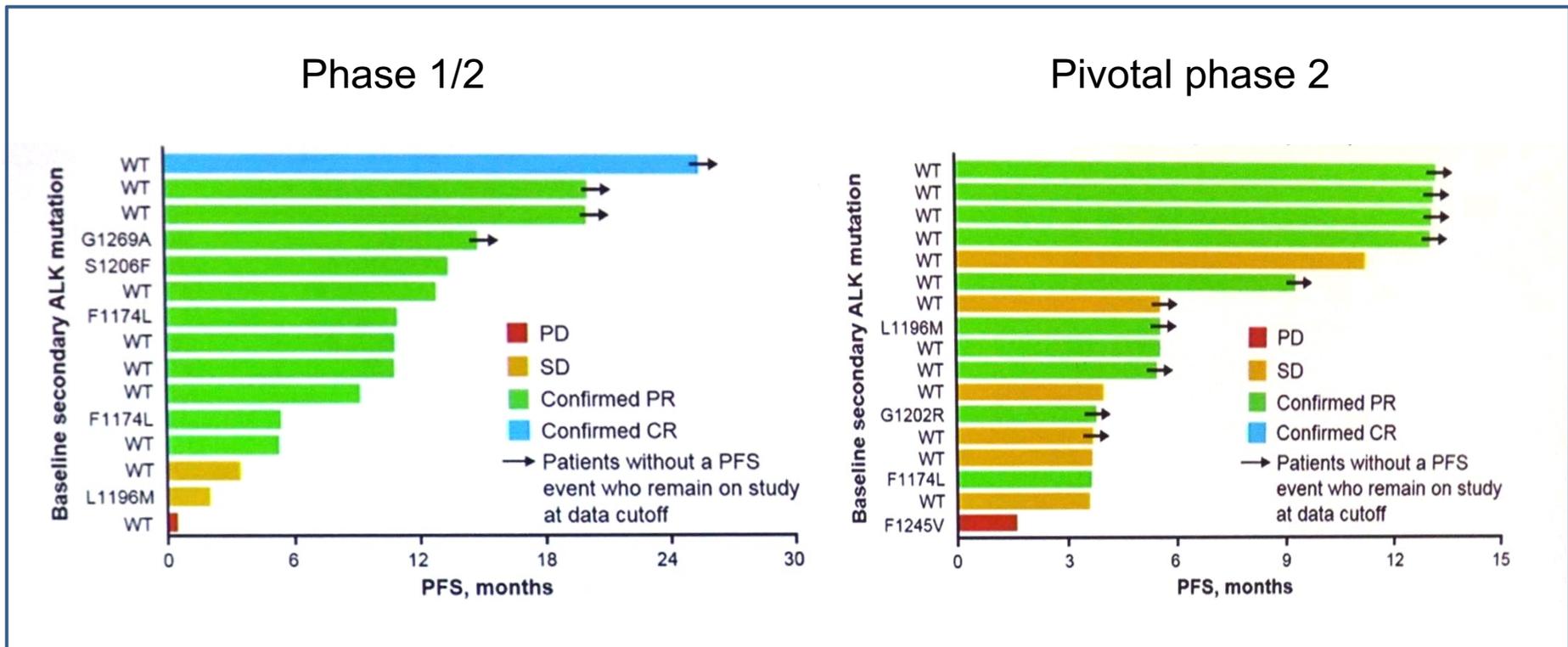


Only 20% with 2nd ALK-m

Post-crizotinib: Is rebiopsy needed?

Brigatinib Data

Tumor response and PFS by baseline mutational status



78% (7/9) and **65%** (15/23) of patients **with** and **without** secondary ALK mutations, respectively, responded to the brigatinib treatment.

**Most Crizotinib-resistant tumors
remain *ALK* dependent and
response to more potent ALK-i(s)**

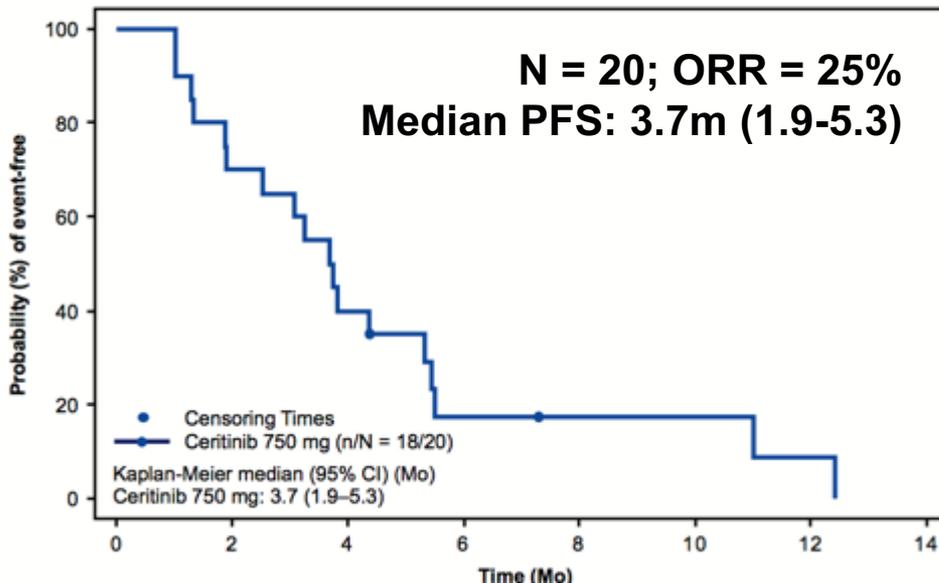
Rebiopsy after crizotinib: may
NOT require (It could be an
individualized decision)

Second line treatment

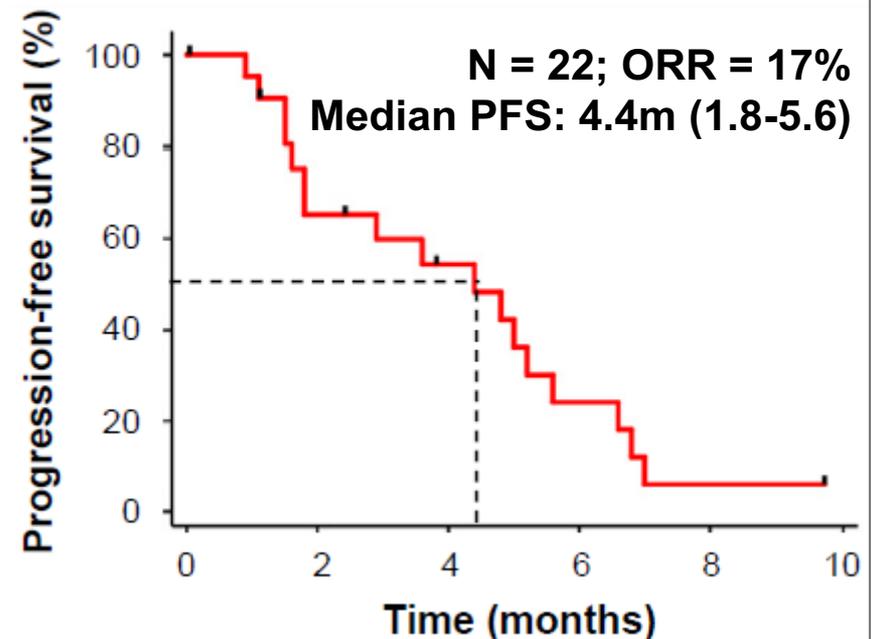
1. Crizotinib → 2nd-line choice ?
- 2. 2nd-G ALKi → 2nd-line choice ?**

Efficacy of 2nd-G ALKi → 2nd-G ALKi

ASCEND-9 (Phase-II, Japan)
Ceritinib after Alectinib



Retrospective multicenter
Brigatinib after Alectinib



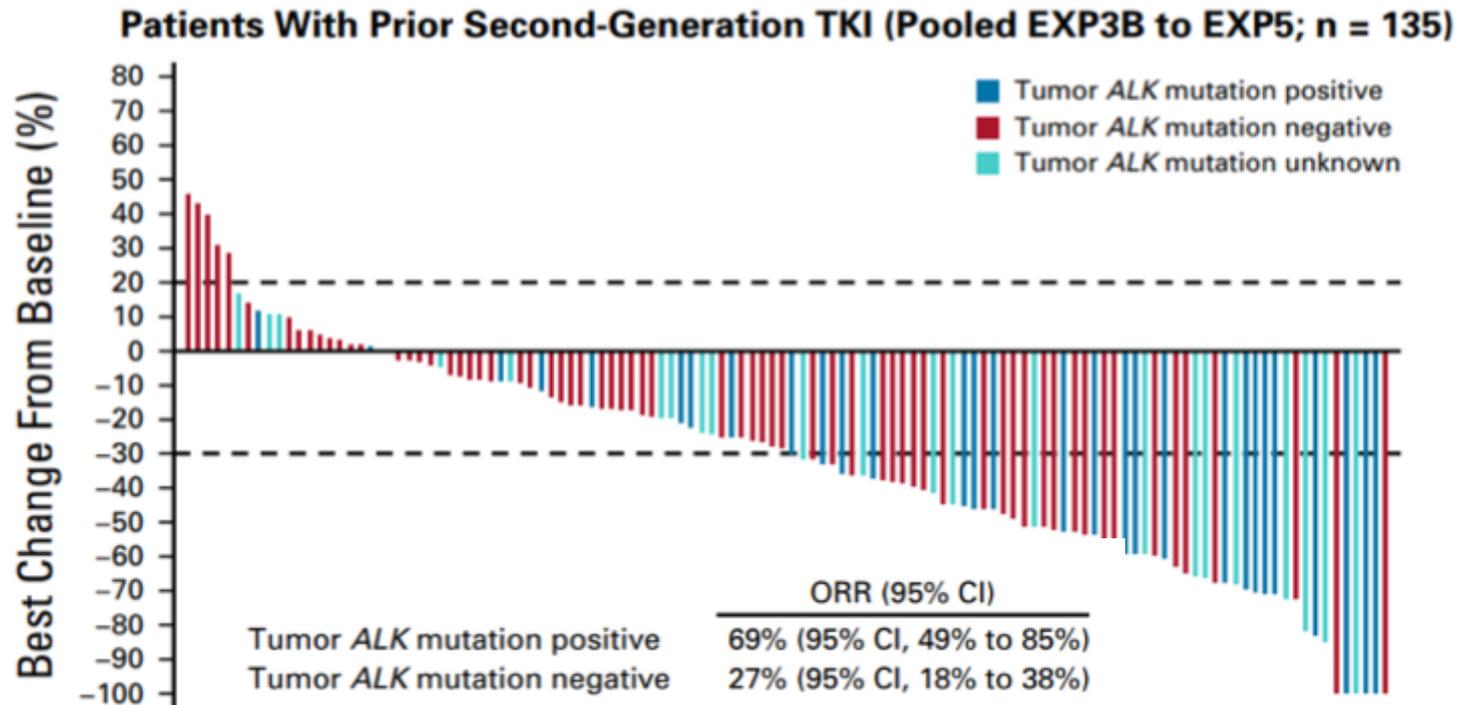
2nd-G ALKi → Lorlatinib (3rd-G)

Phase 1/2 study of lorlatinib: study design and patient populations

EXP3B: ORR 42%, PFS 5.5months (95% CI 2.9-9.0)

EXP5 : ORR 48%, PFS 6.9months (95% CI 5.4-9.5)

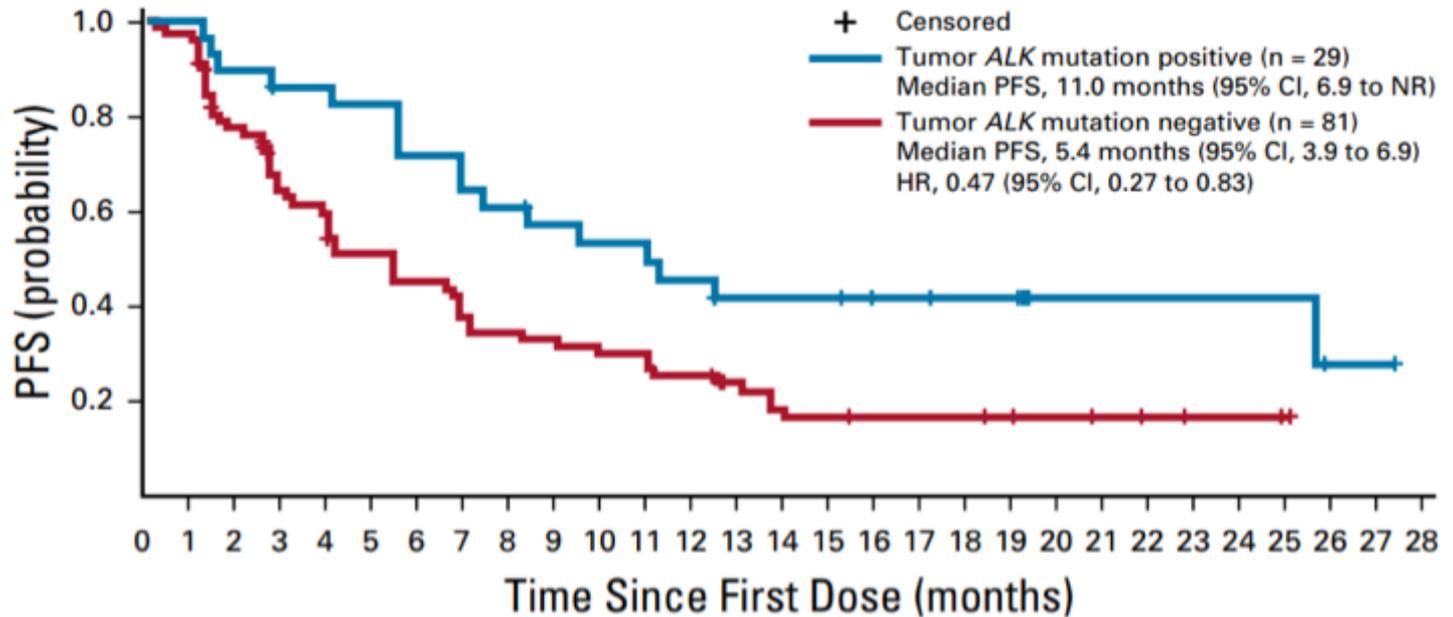
Role of rebiopsy ???



2nd-G ALKi → Lorlatinib (3rd-G)

Phase 1/2 study of lorlatinib: study design and patient populations

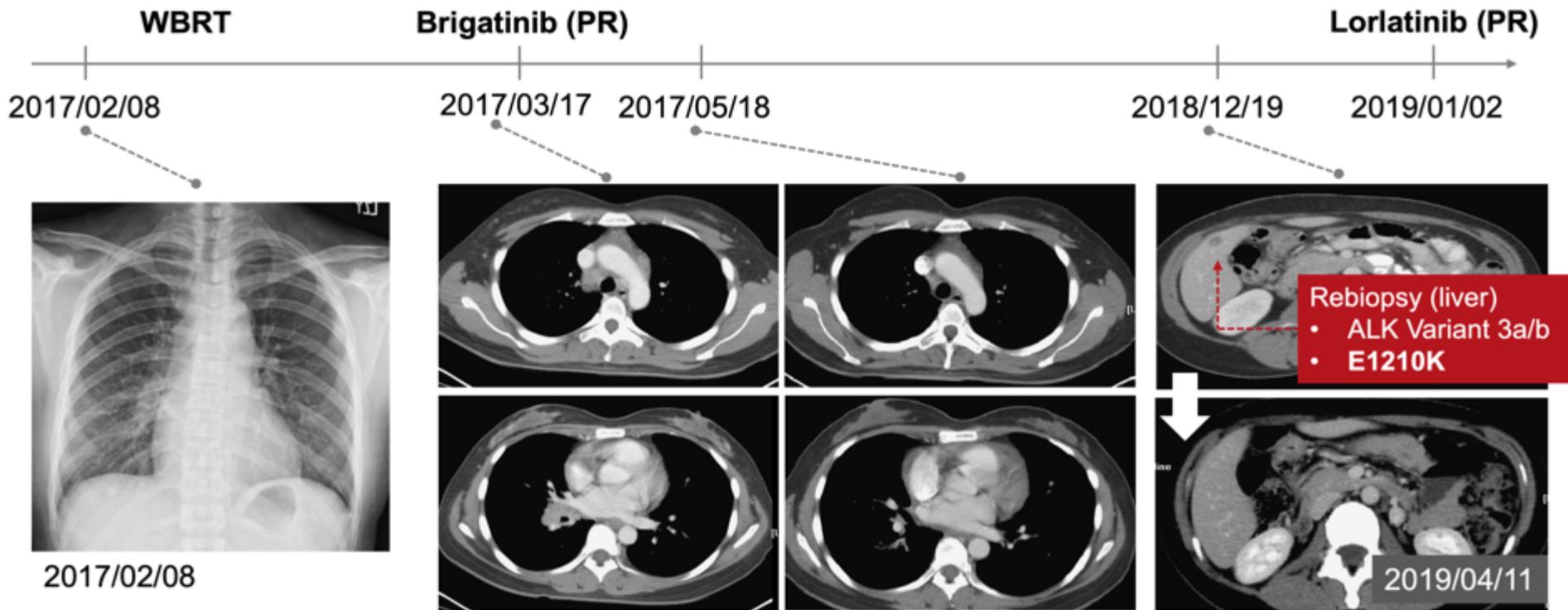
**Biomarker
Can Help**



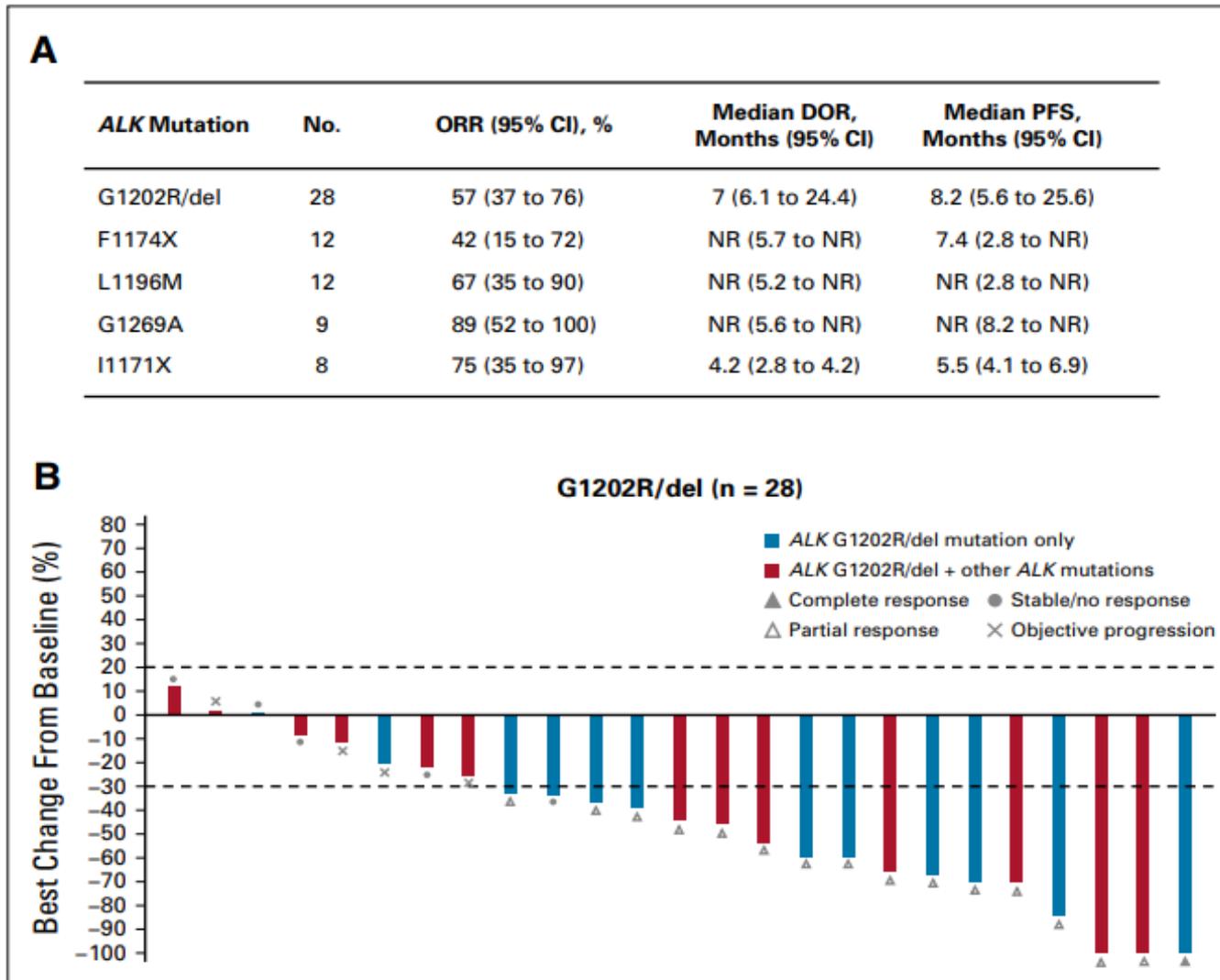
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Tumor ALK mutation positive	29	29	26	24	24	23	20	18	17	15	14	14	12	10	10	10	8	8	7	7	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	0
Tumor ALK mutation negative	81	76	56	44	37	34	30	25	23	22	20	20	17	13	9	9	8	8	8	7	6	4	3	2	2	1	0	0	0

Ms. Gee, never smoker, cough and bilateral neck LAPs
Lung cancer, RLL, adenocarcinoma, cT3N3M1c, stage IVB with lung, bone, brain,
and liver metastasis, ECOG PS=1

EGFR: unfound; ***ALK*: strong positive (by IHC)**



Rebiopsy can guide the treatment



After progression to 2nd-G ALKi,
the efficacy of lorlatinib is better
than another 2nd-G ALKi

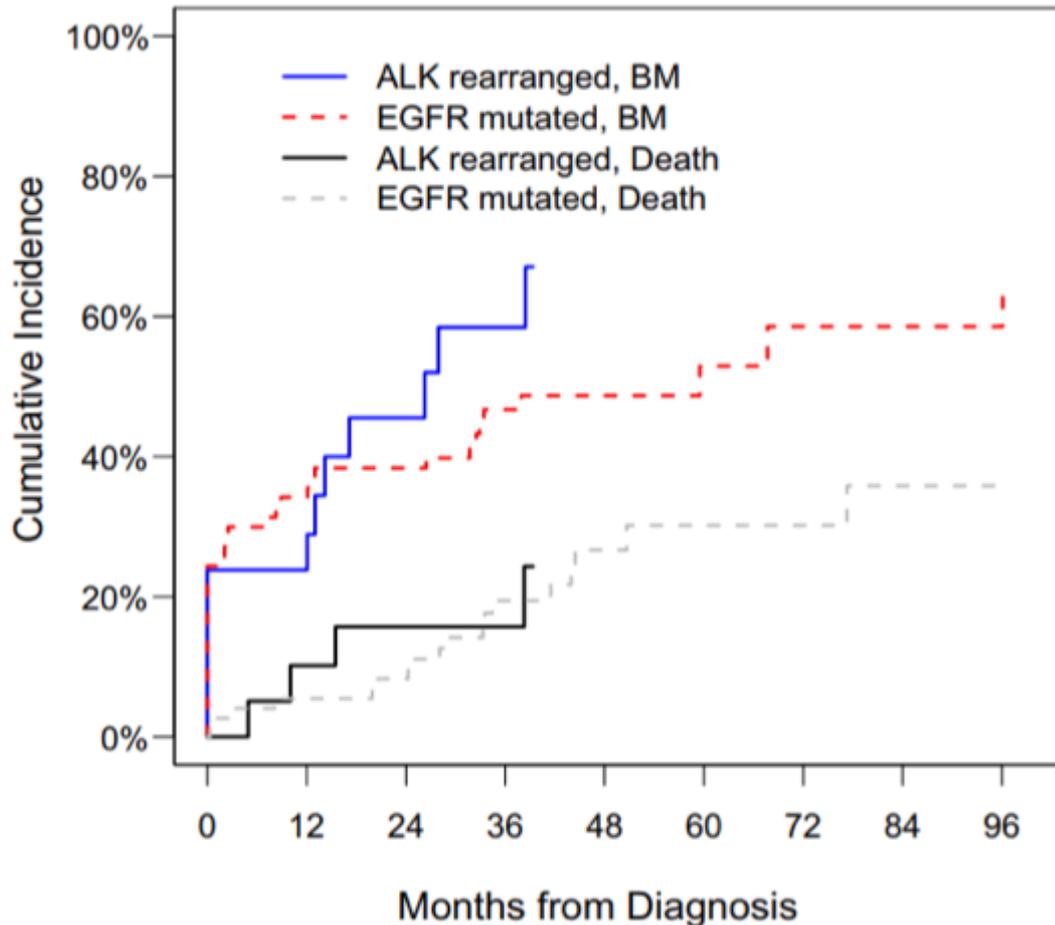


Mutation status in rebiopsy can be
used to differentiate the outcome
of subsequent lorlatinib therapy

(Not mandatory for NHI reimbursement)

Brain metastasis in *ALK*-Pt

Cumulative risk of BM in *ALK*(+) NSCLC



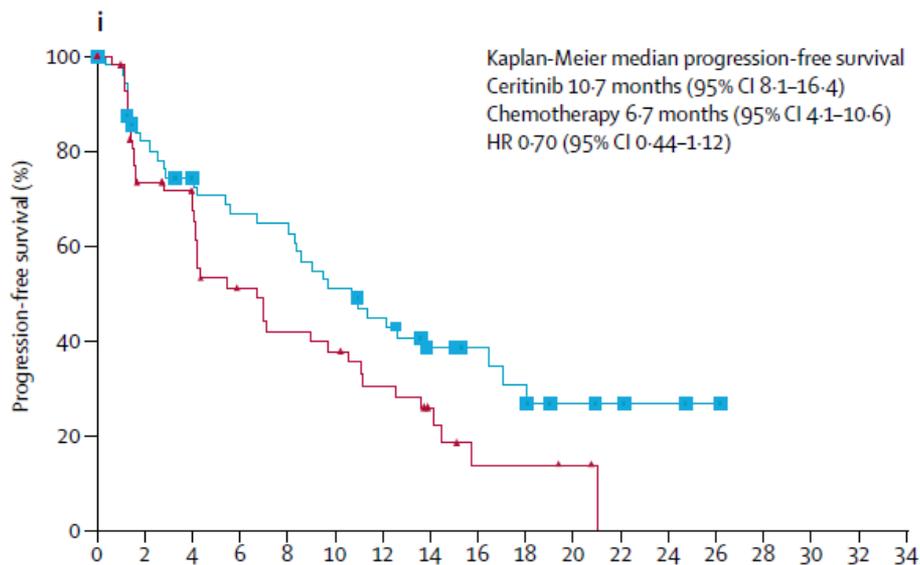
58.4% at 3rd Year

45.5% at 2nd Year

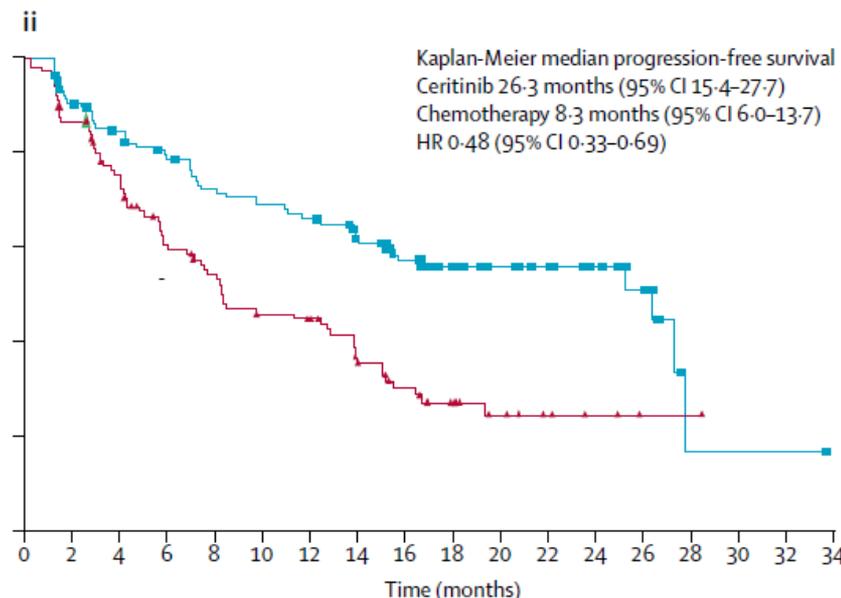
23.8% at 1st Year

Ceritinib in 1st-line: BM or not

With BM



Without BM



Number at risk

Ceritinib	59	44	38	34	33	26	22	14	10	8	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	130	111	101	91	83	79	76	62	49	35	28	20	14	10	1	1	1	0
Chemotherapy	62	40	35	23	19	17	13	7	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125	96	79	59	52	43	40	28	21	13	9	5	3	1	1	0	0	0

*Data by BIRC (blinded independent review committee)

ORR: 72.7% for all patients; 69.2% for patients without previous R/T.

Lancet 2017;389: 917-29.

The Newer is better: also in CNS Efficacy*

	Crizotinib ¹	Ceritinib ²	Alectinib ¹	Brigatinib ³
Study	ALEX (n = 22)	ASCEND-4 (n = 22)	ALEX (n = 21)	ALTA 1L (n = 18)
CNS response	11 (50.0%)	16 (72.7%)	17 (81.0%)	14 (77.7)
CNS CR	1 (4.5%)	2 (9.1%)	8 (38.1%)	2 (11.1)
CNS DOR, m(s)	5.5 (2.1-17.3)	16.6 (8.1-NR)	17.3 (14.8-NR)	NR (11.0-NR) [#]

*With **measurable** baseline brain metastases.

¹ALEX study (phase III), Shaw A et al. ASCO 2017 and Peters S et al. NEJM 2017.

²ASCEND-4 (phase III), Gilberto de Castro Jr et al. WCLC 2016 and Soria JC et al. Lancet 2017.

³ALTA 1L, Camidge DR et al. WCLC 2018 (#PFS for any brain METs patients was reported not DOR).

CR, complete response; NR, not-reached; NA, not-applicable.

Lorlatinib: CSF penetration

Supplementary Table S7. Lorlatinib concentration in CSF

Patient	CSF concentration unbound* (ng/mL)	Plasma concentration unbound* (ng/mL)	CSF/plasma unbound*
1 [†]	2.6	4.3	0.61
2 [‡]	101	155	0.65
3 [‡]	82	106	0.77
4 [‡]	125	131	0.96

*Unbound refers to drug not bound to plasma proteins.

[†]Patient 1 originally received a dose of 150 mg, which was de-escalated first to 100 mg QD and then to 75 mg QD. This patient had held lorlatinib for 8 days before CSF sampling.

[‡]Patients 2–4 were receiving lorlatinib at 100 mg QD at the time of lumbar puncture.
CSF=cerebrospinal fluid; QD=once daily.

Paired blood and CSF samples in four patients:

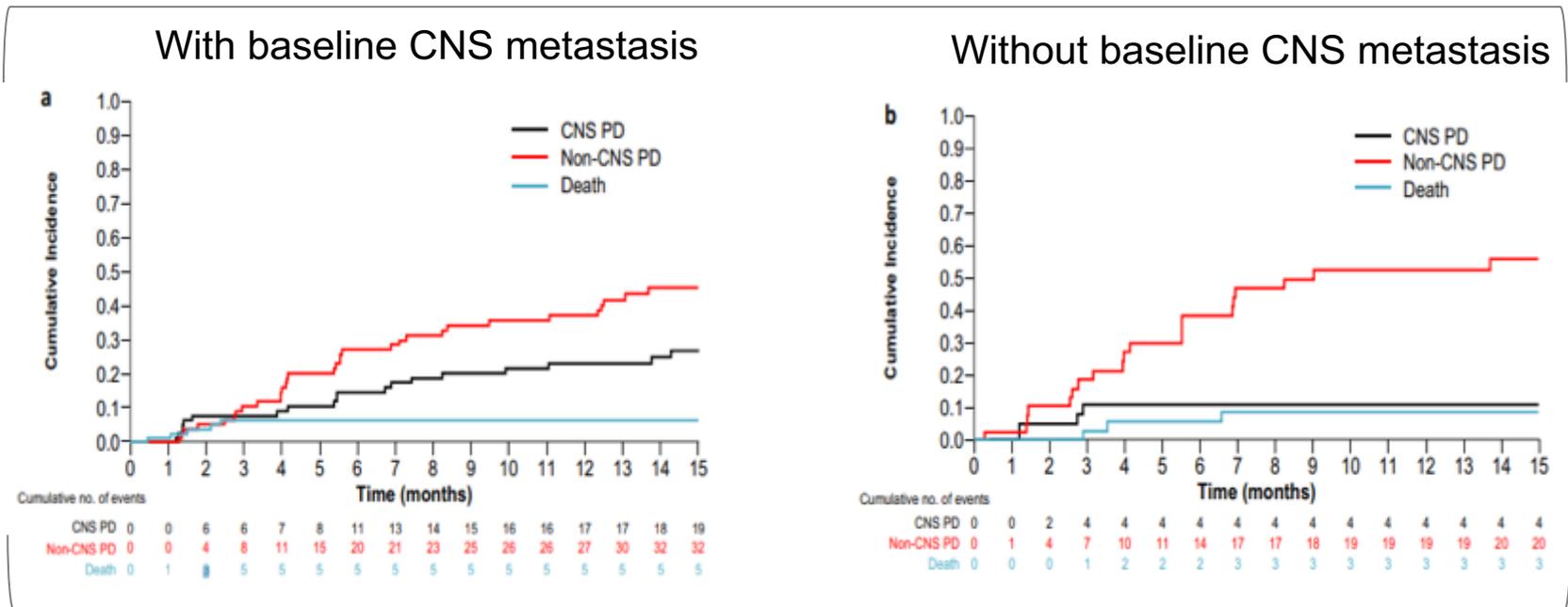
CSF/plasma (unbound) concentrations of lorlatinib was **0.75**
(0.03 ratio reported with crizotinib)

Lorlatinib: intracranial activity

<Intracranial ORR>

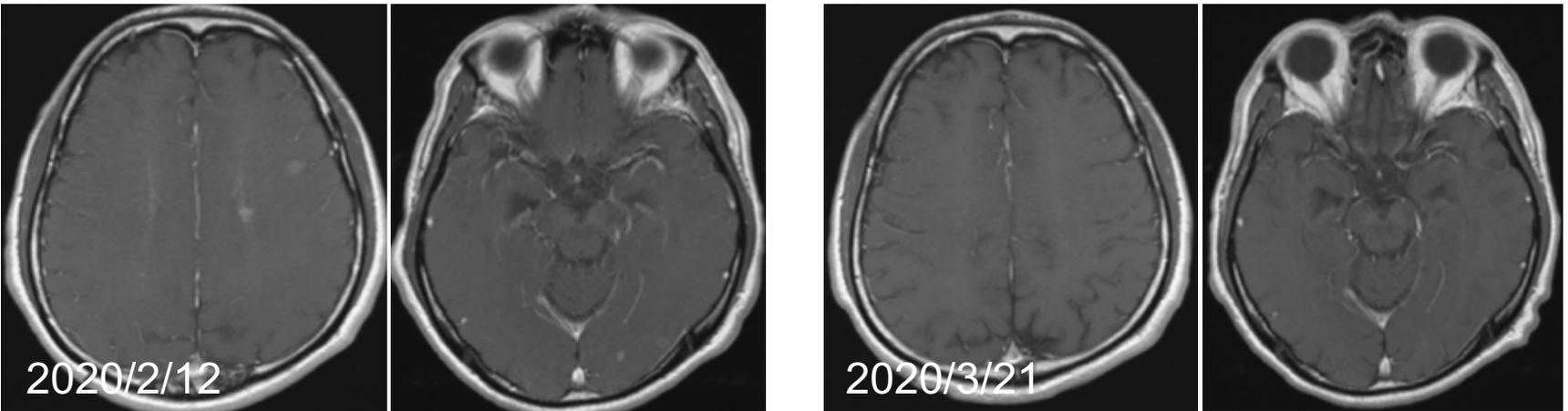
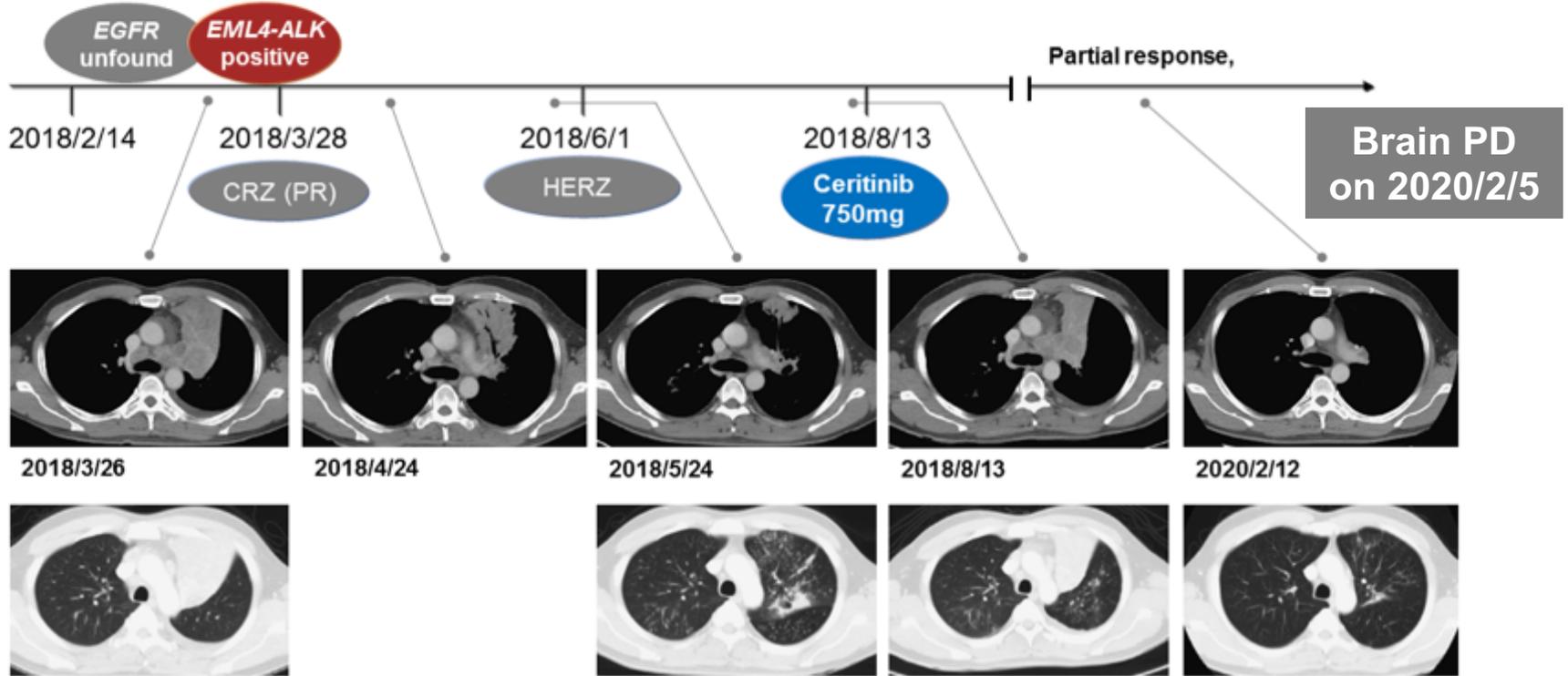
- EXP2-3A (prior crizotinib): **87.5 %** (67.6-97.3)
- EXP3B-5 (at least one prior 2nd-G ALKi): **54.4%** (40.7-67.6)

EXP3B-5



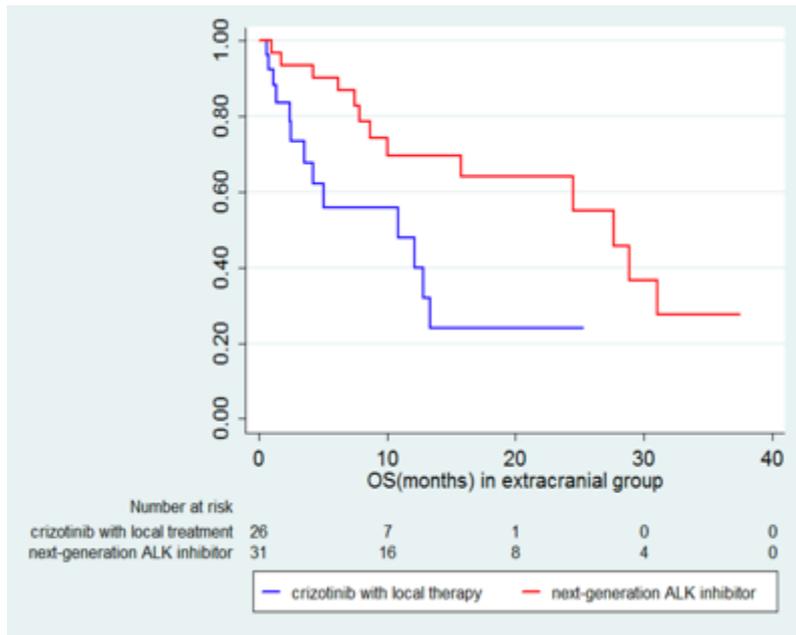
Mr. Chang 50 year-old man, never smoker

Lung cancer, LUL, ADC, cT4N3M1a, stage IV, lung to lung METs, ECOG PS=1.

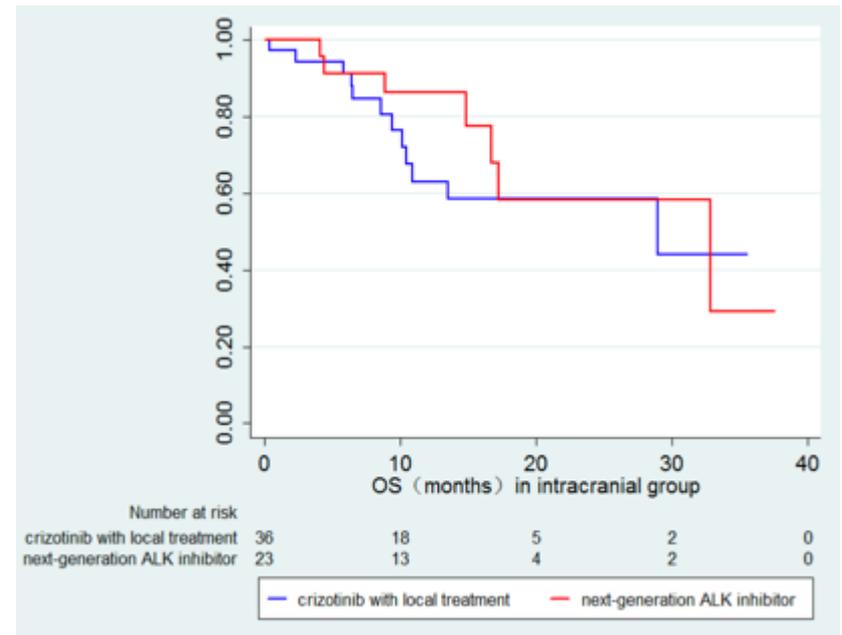


Lorlatinib since 2020/2/12

Oligo-PD after Crizotinib: Tx. beyond PD plus local therapy or Next-G ALKi ?



Extracranial (n = 57)

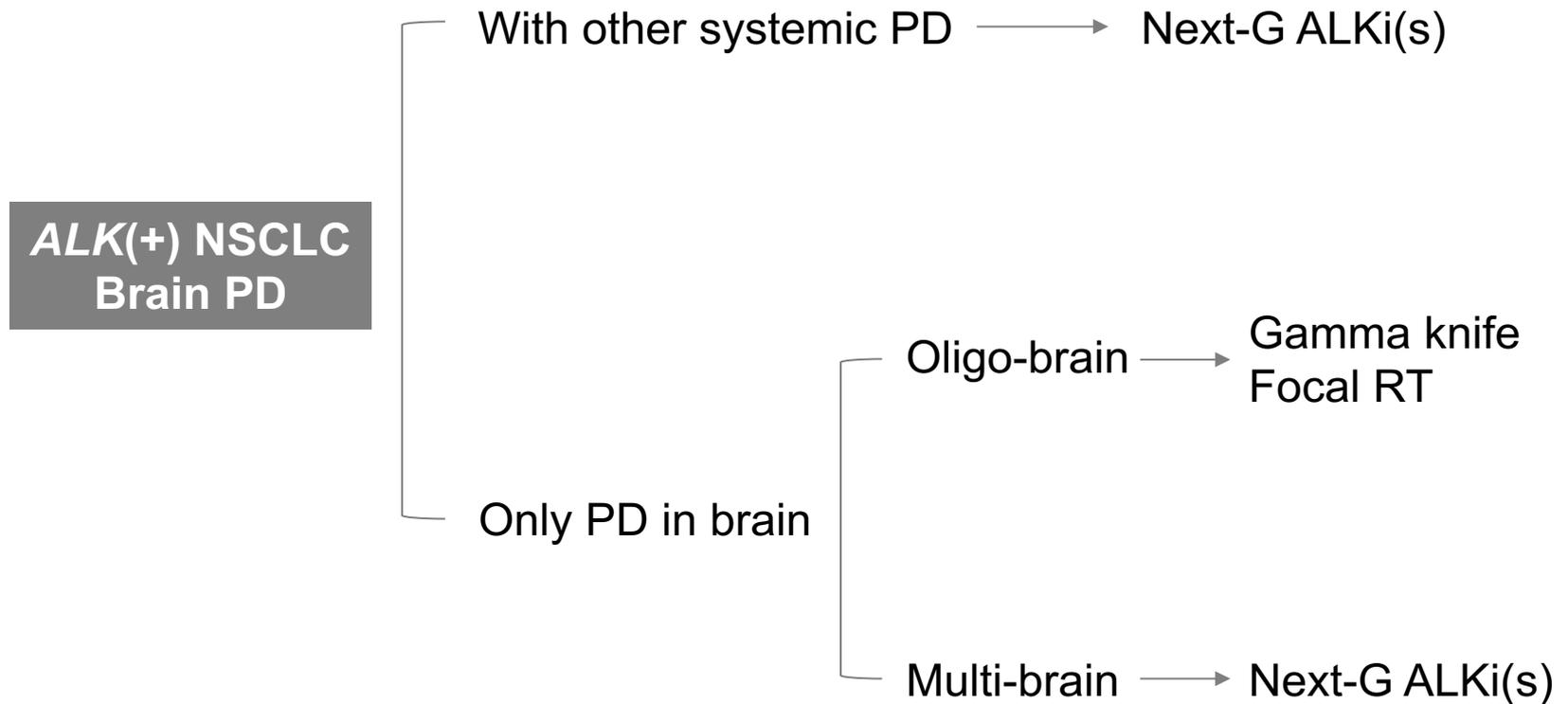


Intracranial (n = 59)

Similar survival but QoL ???

ALK (+)NSCLC with brain PD

Both NCCN & ESMO guidelines suggest local therapy for limited brain PD



Brief conclusions

- Although it is not common, the outcome of treatment is promising in *ALK(+)* NSCLC patients.
- Because of the better efficacy, the second-generation *ALK* inhibitors have emerged as the new standard of front-line treatment.
- Next-generation *ALK* inhibitor(s) could benefit patients in the second line setting. Rebiopsy can be considered in patients who progress from second-generation *ALK* inhibitor(s).
- Brain metastasis remains an important issue in *ALK(+)* patients. The next-generation *ALK* inhibitor(s) have a higher intracranial activity.



Thanks for your attention!

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