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Avelumab maintenance in bladder cancer



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Chronology of aUC treatment



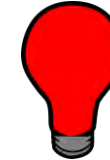
1980s

Platinum-based
combination
chemotherapy



2016

Single-agent
immunotherapy

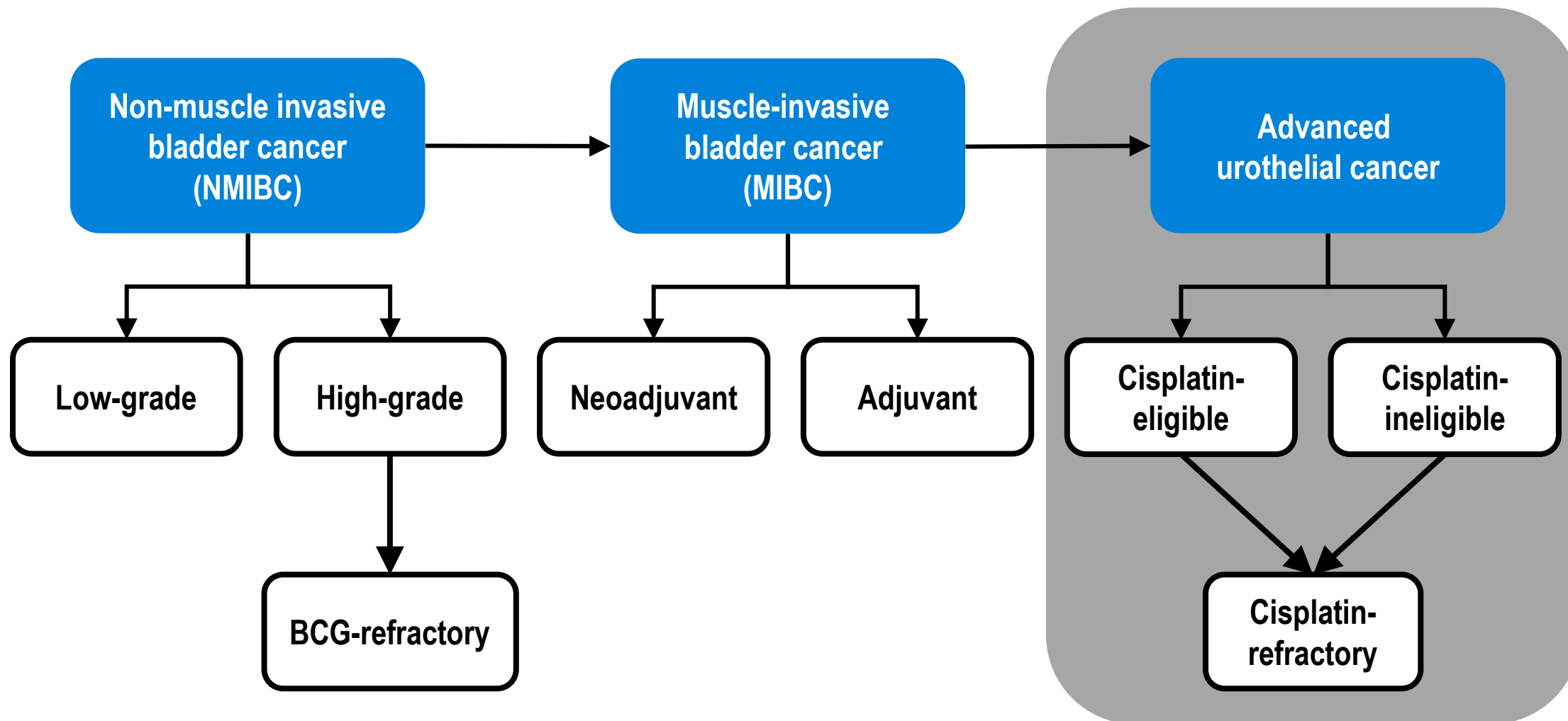


2020

Antibody-drug conjugates
and FGFR inhibitors



Focus on aUC





aUC - Definitions

Advanced
urothelial cancer

Platinum eligible

Fit for cisplatin-based chemotherapy

- ECOG PS 0-1

- GFR > 50-60 ml/min

- Audiometric hearing loss grade <2

- Peripheral neuropathy grade <2

- Cardiac insufficiency NYHA class <III

Fit for carboplatin-based chemotherapy
(but unfit for cisplatin)

- ECOG PS 2

- GFR 30-60 ml/min

- Not fulfilling other cisplatin-eligibility criteria

Platinum ineligible

Unfit for any platinum-based chemotherapy

- ECOG PS > 2

- GFR < 30 ml/min

- ECOG PS 2 and GFR < 60 ml/min

- Comorbidities grade > 2

aUC - Chemotherapy is standard of care

Cisplatin-eligible¹

Dose Dense MVAC

ORR 72%

CR 25%

mOS 15.1 mo

Cisplatin-eligible²

Gemcitabine Cisplatin

ORR 49%

CR 12%

mOS 14 mo

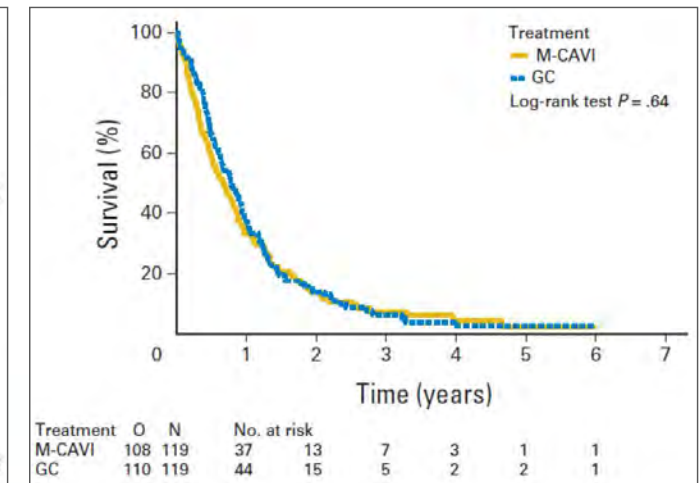
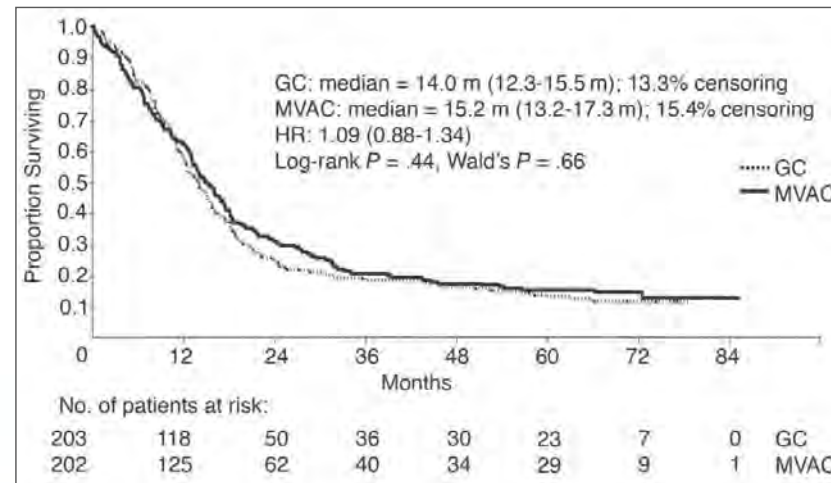
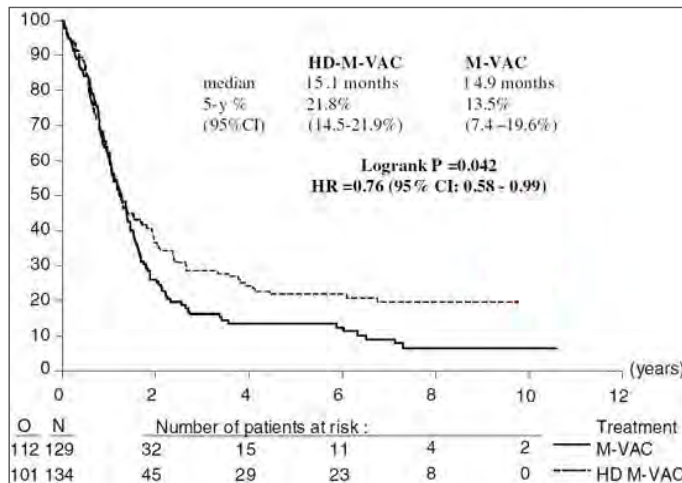
Cisplatin-ineligible³

Gemcitabine Carboplatin

ORR 36%

CR 3%

mOS 9.3 mo



HD, high dose; HR, hazard ratio; MVAC, methotrexate, vinblastine, adriamycin and cisplatin (C)

1. Sternberg CN et al., *Eur J Cancer* 2006;42(1):50-4; 2. Von der Maase H et al., *J Clin Oncol* 2005;23:4602-4608;

3. De Santis M et al., *J Clin Oncol* 2012; 30: 191-199.



aUC – First-line ChT in patients fit for cisplatin

Cisplatin-containing combination chemotherapy

Standard of care since the late 1980s

OS 12-14 mo

> Higher CR and OS rates versus carboplatin-containing regimens

GC

dd MVAC

Similar OS (13.8% vs. 14.8%) and ORR (49% vs. 46%) of MVAC
Lower toxicity than MVAC

Less toxic and more efficacious (CR and 2-yr OS) than MVAC
No significant difference in median survival versus MVAC

4-6 cycles

Sustained benefit in 10-15% patients



aUC – First-line ChT in patients fit for carboplatin

Carboplatin-containing combination chemotherapy

Up to 50% of patients are not fit for cisplatin-containing chemotherapy, but most are candidates for carboplatin

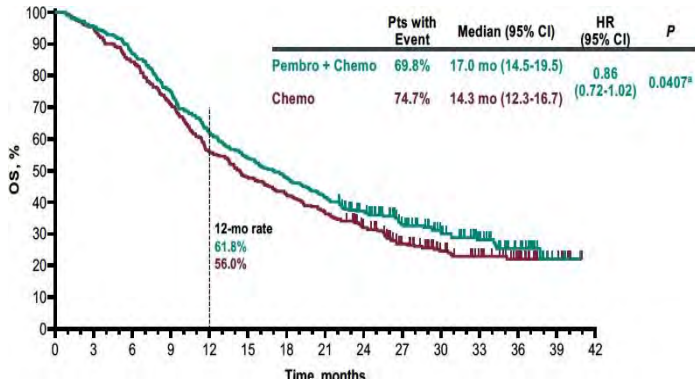
GemCarbo

Less severe acute toxicity (13.6% vs. 23%) and higher ORR (42% vs. 30%) than M-CAVI

4-6 cycles

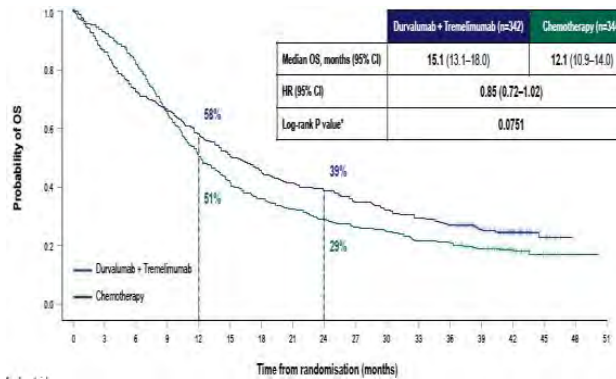


Immunotherapy



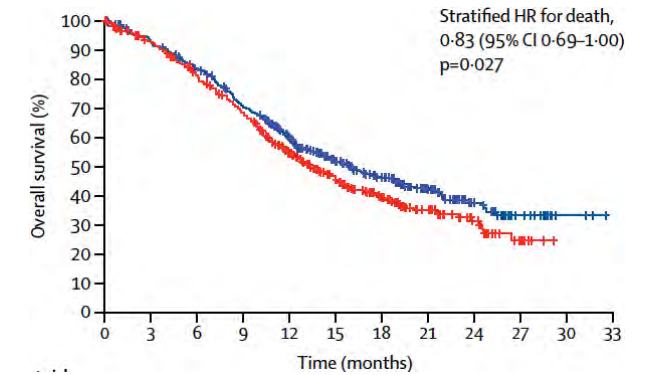
CT + Pembrolizumab (KEYNOTE-361)

Powles et al. Lancet Oncol 2021



Durvalumab + Tremelimumab (DANUBE)

Powles et al. Lancet Oncol 2020



CT + Atezolizumab (IMvigor130)

Galsky et al. Lancet 2020

No OS benefit

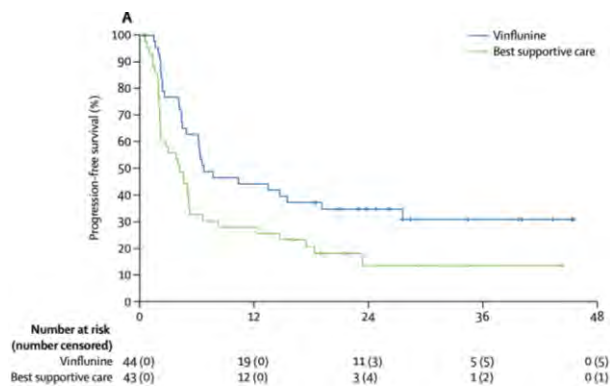


aUC – CR, PR or SD with standard 1 L ChT (4-6 cycles)

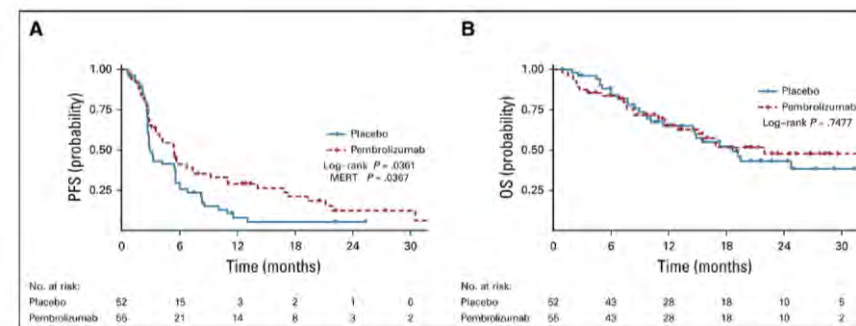
LA or mUC – CR, PR or SD with standard 1L platinum-chemotherapy



Maintenance Strategies



MAJA Study (Vinflunine)



Hoosier Study (Pembrolizumab)



aUC – CR, PR or SD with standard 1 L ChT (4-6 cycles)

LA or mUC – CR, PR or SD with standard 1L platinum-chemotherapy

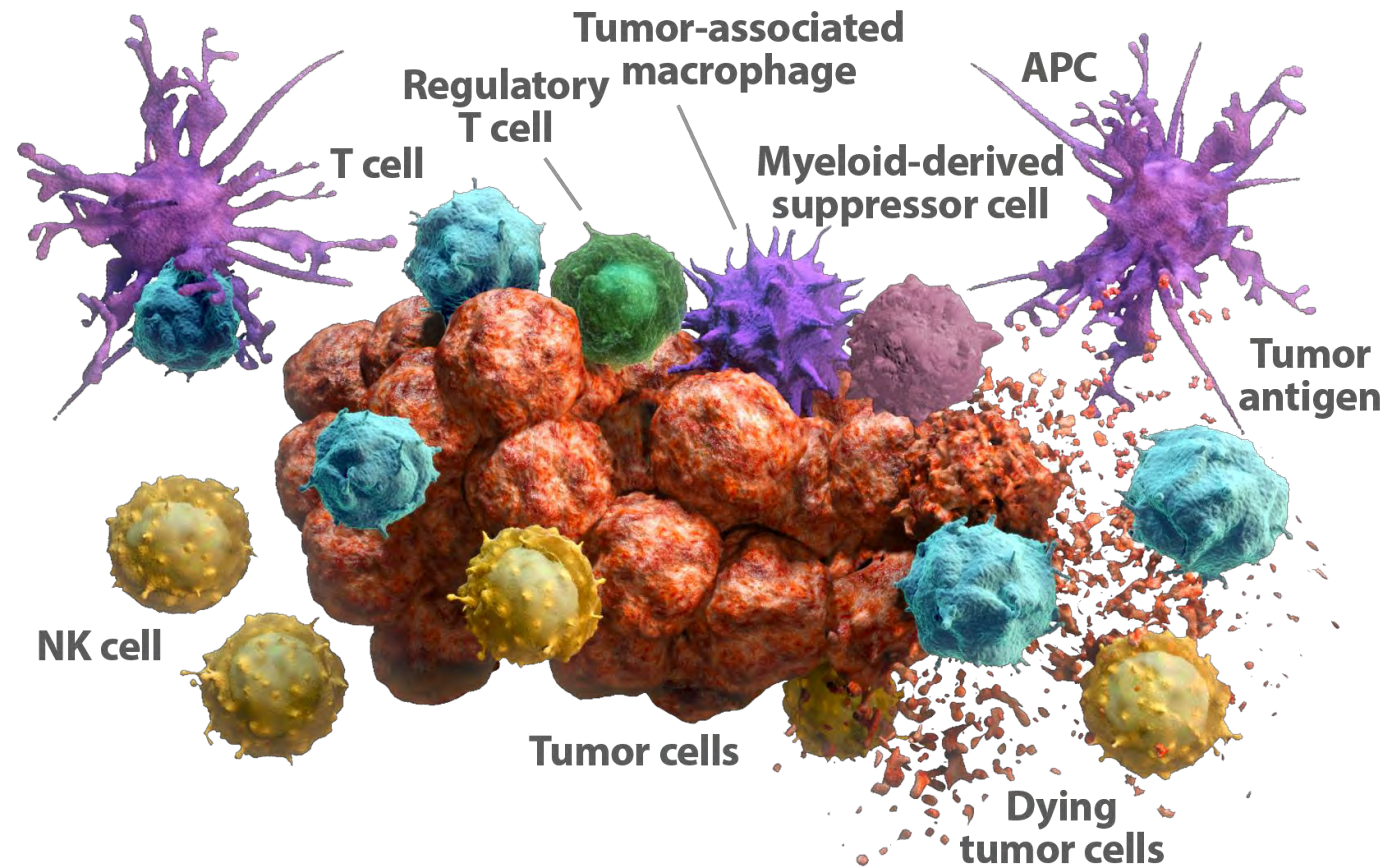


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Maintenance Avelumab



Tumor microenvironment





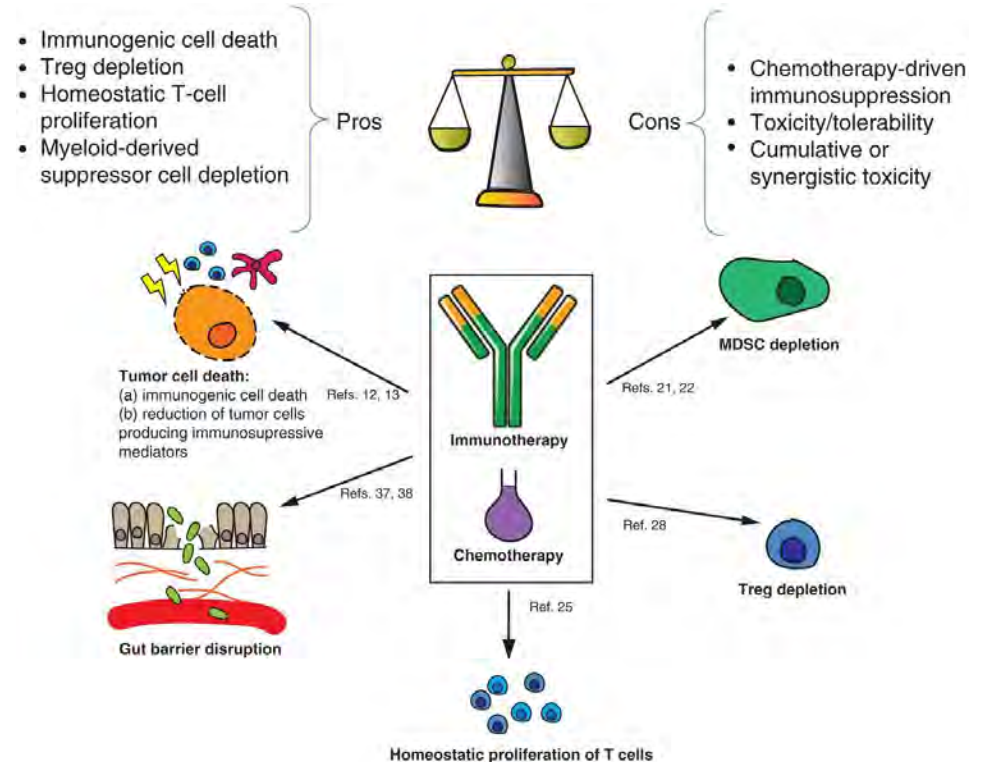
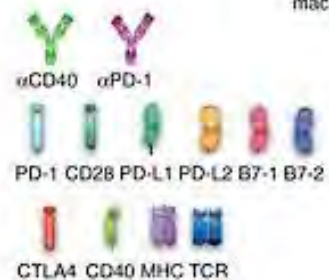
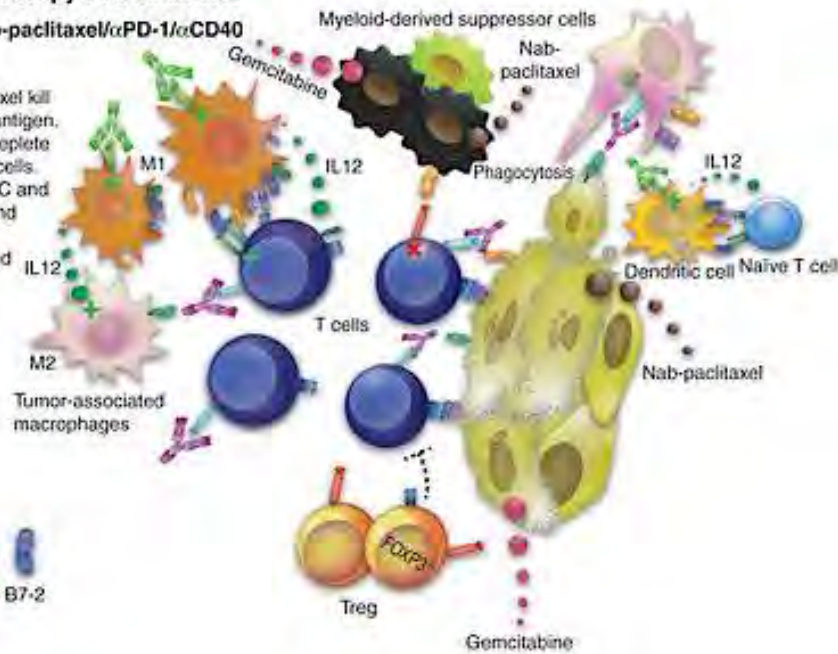
Rationale behind ChT/IO combos

AACR American Association
for Cancer Research®

B Immunotherapy/chemotherapy combinations

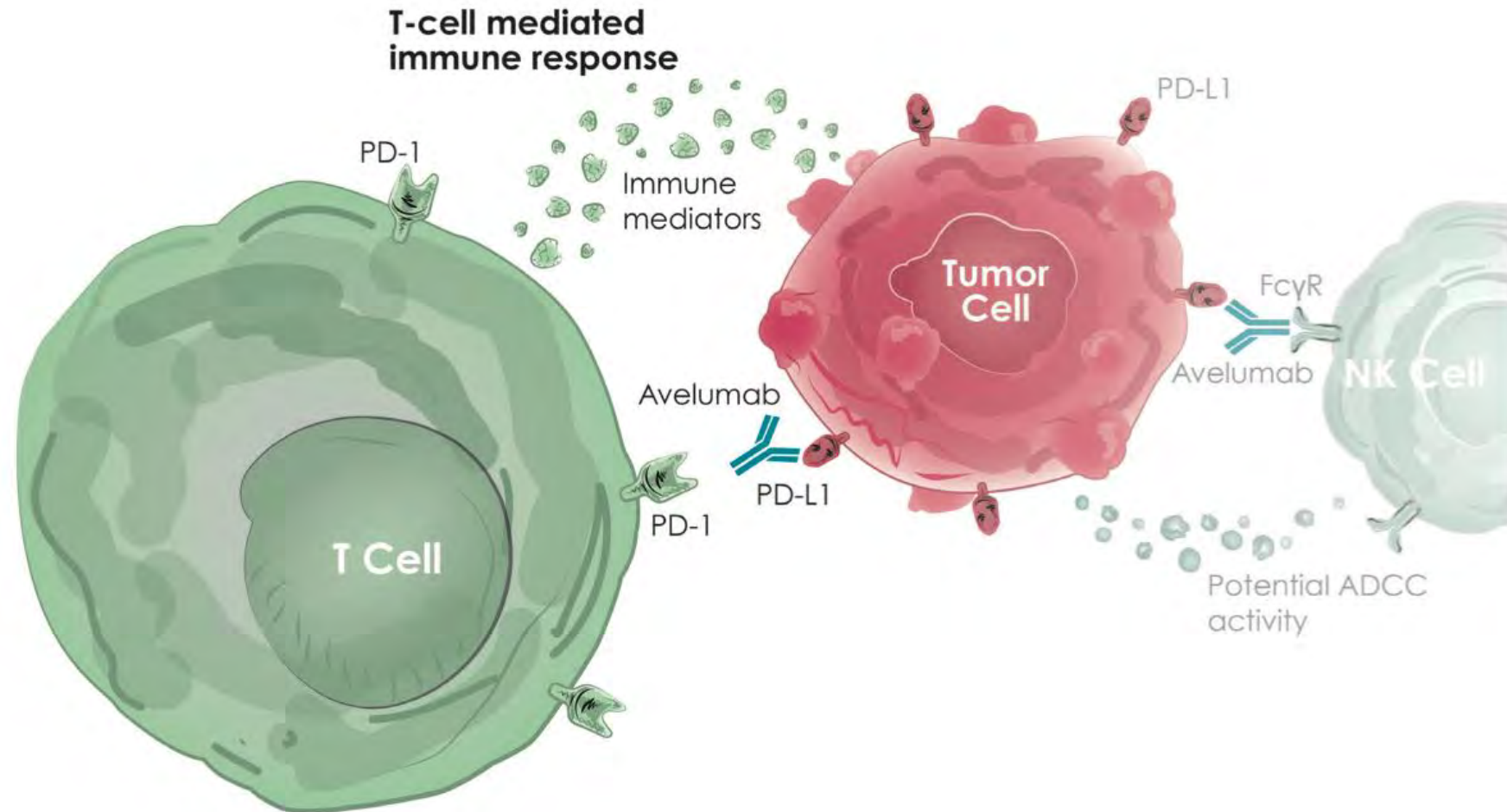
Example: Gemcitabine/nab-paclitaxel/ α PD-1/ α CD40

- 1) Gemcitabine and nab-paclitaxel kill tumor cells releasing tumor antigen.
- 2) Both drugs also selectively deplete myeloid-derived suppressor cells.
- 3) CD40 activation enhances DC and M1 macrophage activation and increases T-cell priming.
- 4) Activated T cells are protected from attenuation by α PD-1.



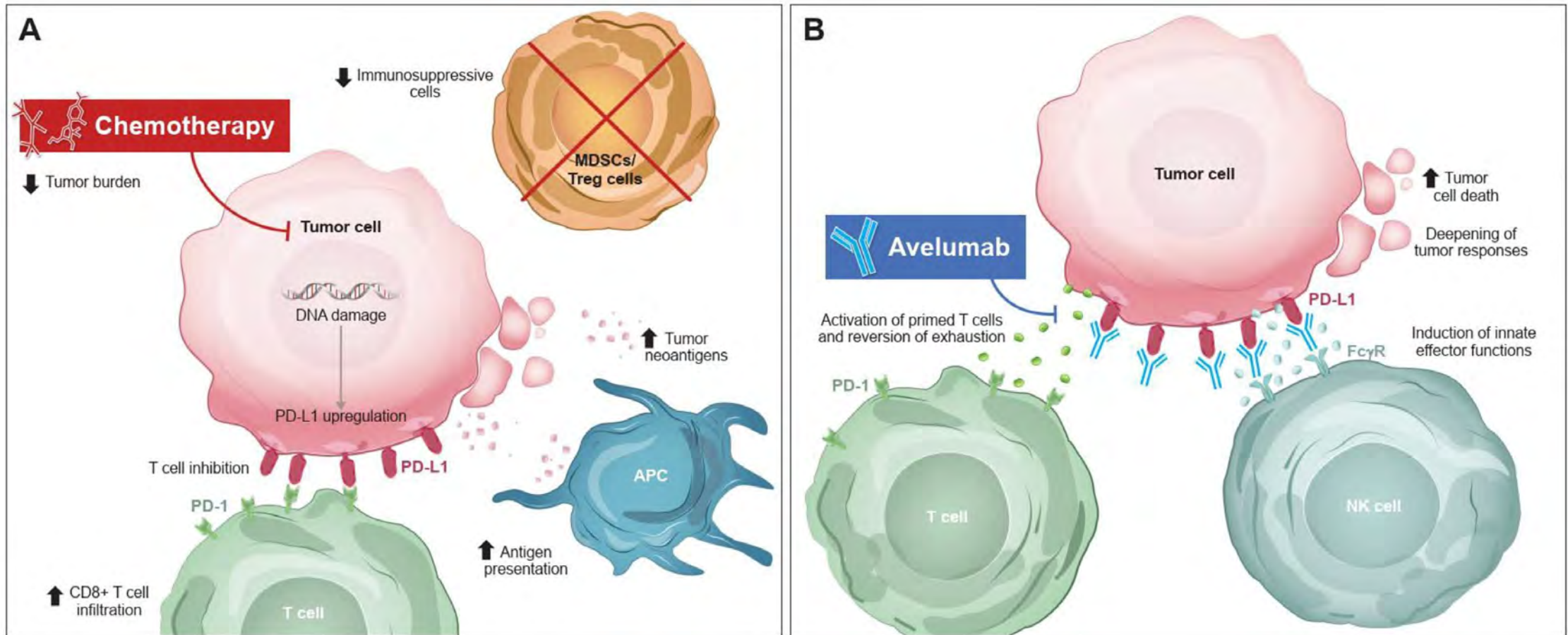


Avelumab mechanism of action

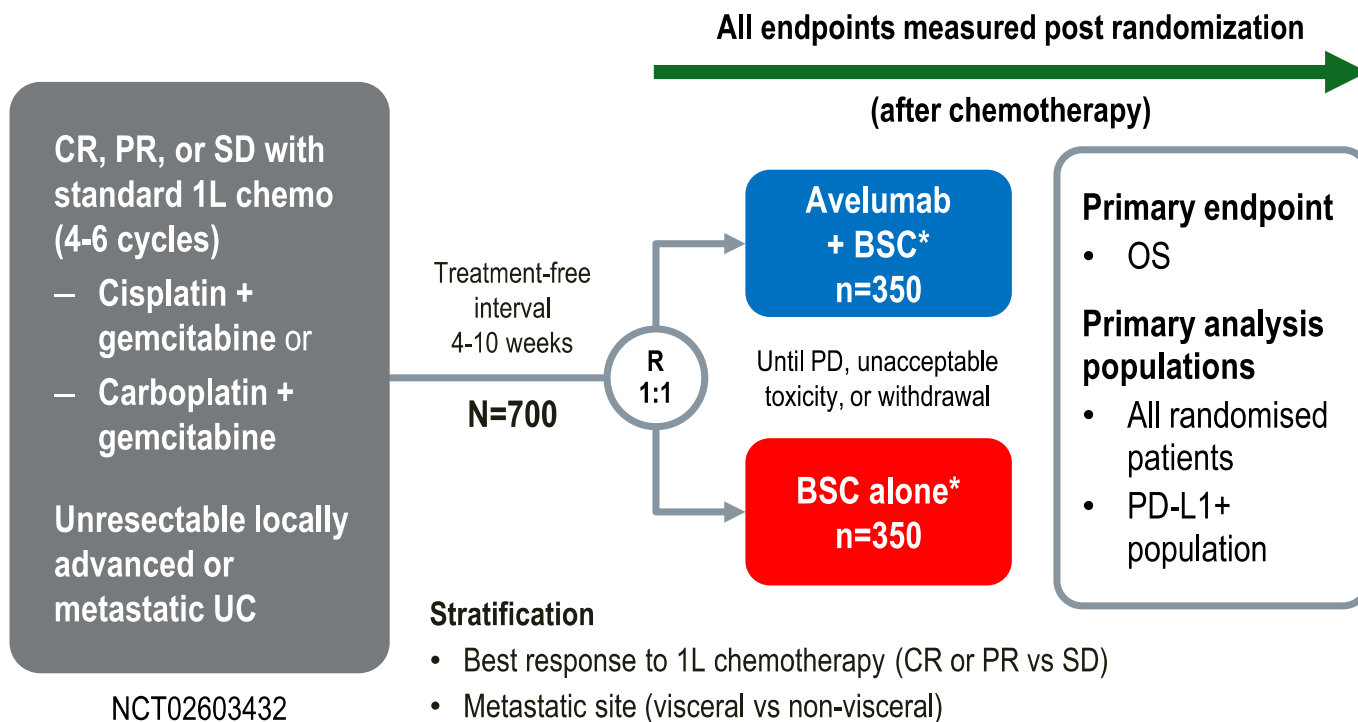




Avelumab mechanism of action



Avelumab 1L maintenance + BSC significantly prolonged OS vs. BSC alone in the JAVELIN Bladder 100 phase 3 trial¹



- Median OS in all randomised patients¹
 - **Avelumab 1L maintenance + BSC: 21.4 months** (95% CI, 18.9, 26.1)
 - **BSC alone: 14.3 months** (95% CI, 12.9, 17.9)
 - **HR 0.69** (95% CI, 0.56, 0.86); P<0.001
- The safety profile of avelumab 1L maintenance was manageable and consistent with previous studies of avelumab monotherapy^{1,2}

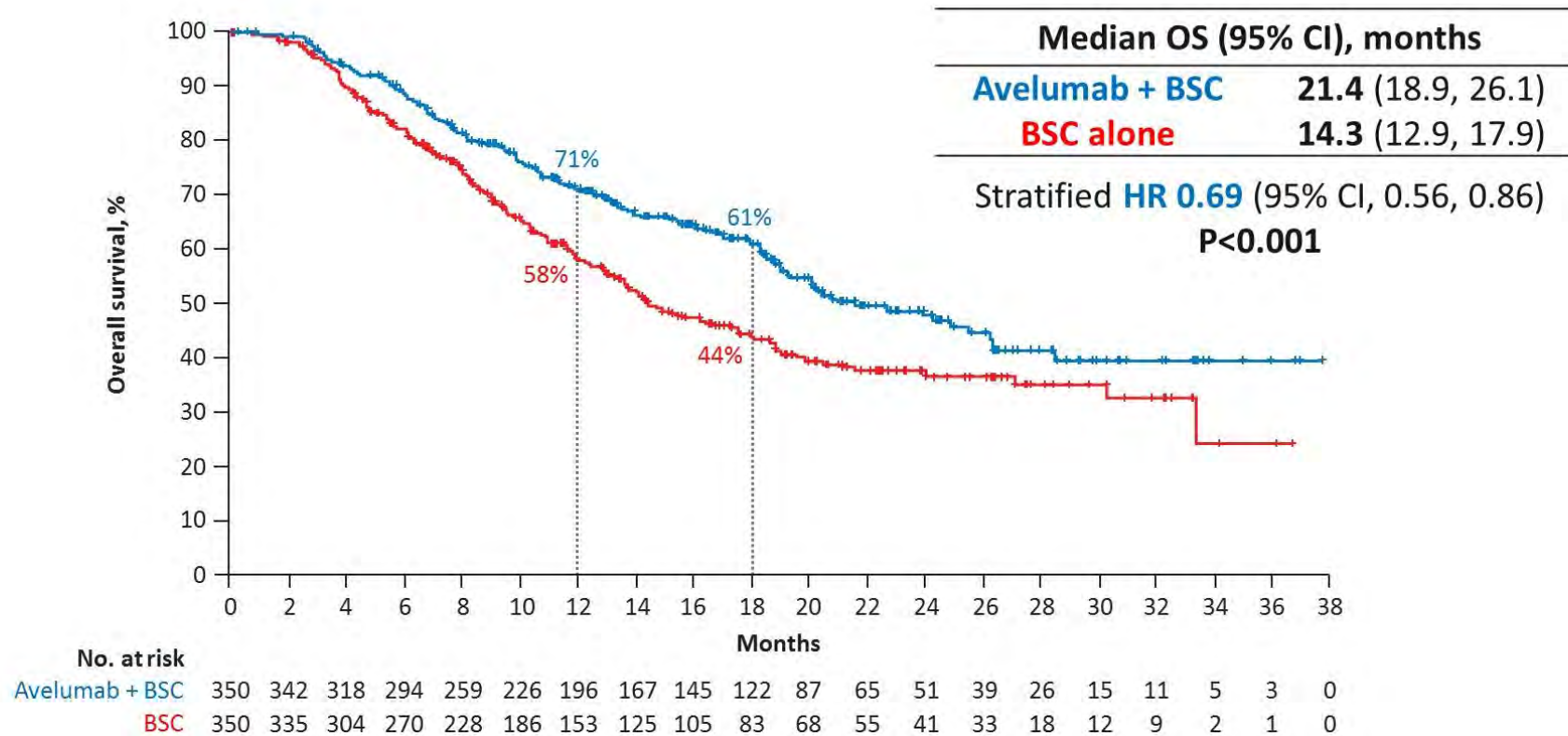
OS benefit with avelumab + BSC vs BSC alone were analysed in patient subgroups

1L, first line; BSC, best supportive care; CR, complete response; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; PR, partial response; R, randomisation; SD, stable disease; UC, urothelial carcinoma
 *BSC (eg, antibiotics, nutritional support, hydration, or pain management) was administered per local practice based on patient needs and clinical judgment; other systemic antitumour therapy was not permitted, but palliative local radiotherapy for isolated lesions was acceptable. 1. Powles T, et al. *New Engl J Med* 2020.



JAVELIN BLADDER 100

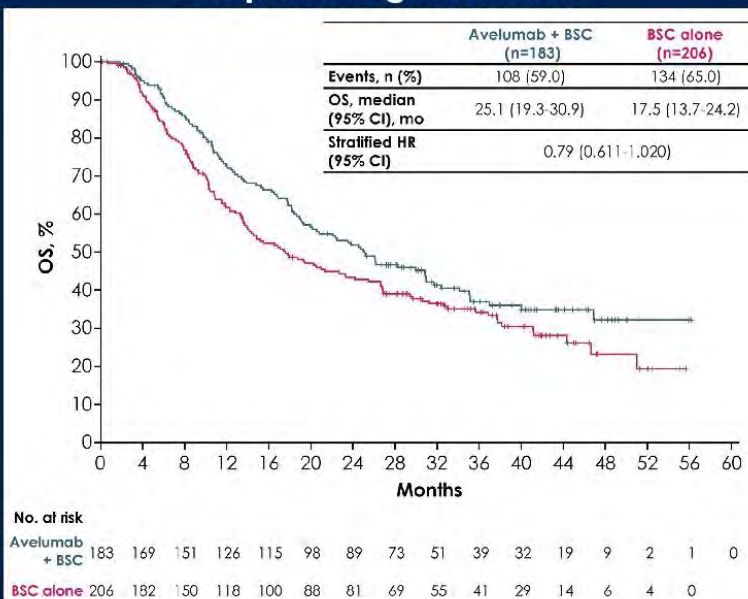
Maintenance avelumab lead to an OS benefit



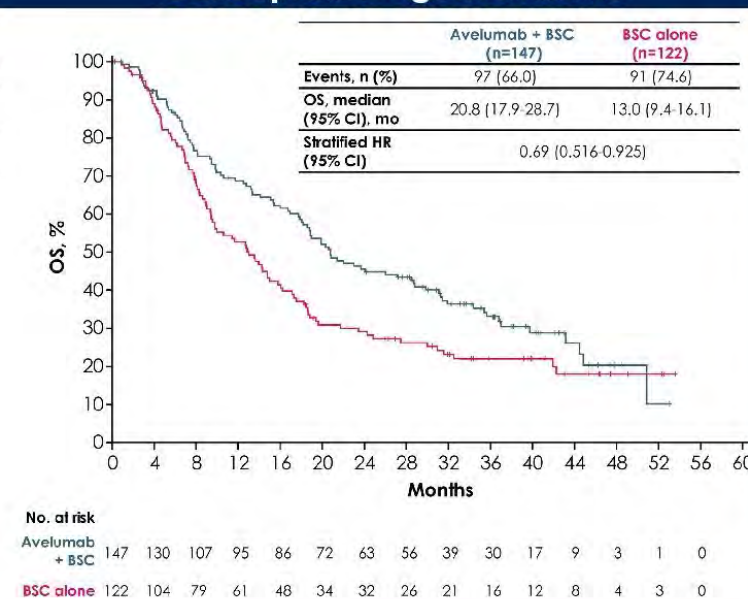


OS from start of maintenance (randomization)

Cisplatin + gemcitabine



Carboplatin + gemcitabine



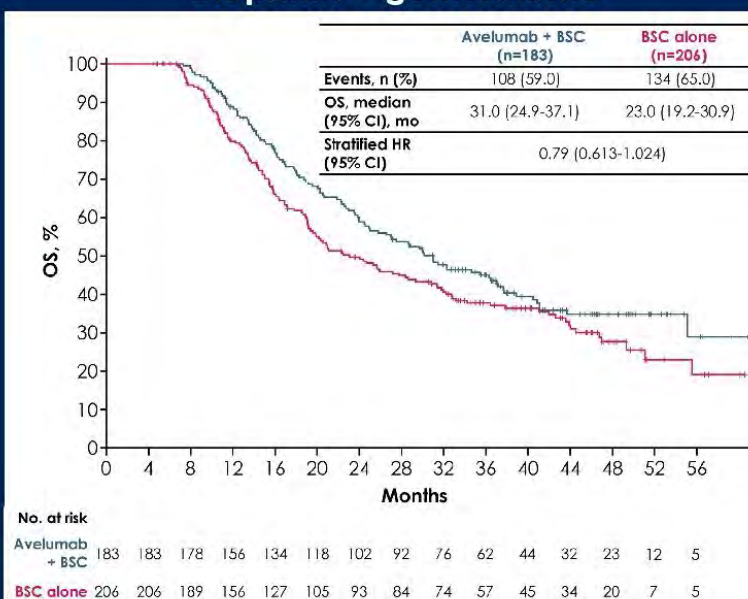
- OS* was longer with avelumab + BSC vs BSC alone in both the cisplatin and carboplatin subgroups
- In both subgroups, investigator-assessed PFS* was also longer with avelumab + BSC vs BSC alone

1L, first line; BSC, best supportive care; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.
*Measured from the start of maintenance (randomization).

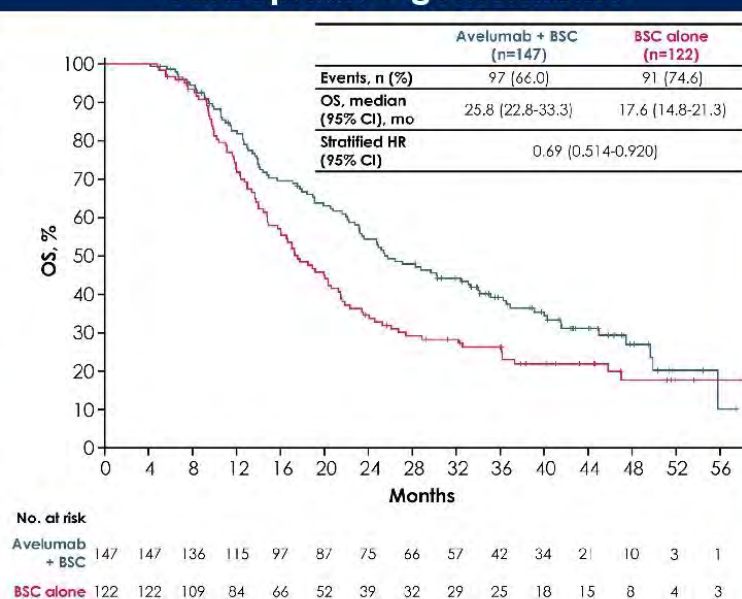


OS from start of 1L chemotherapy

Cisplatin + gemcitabine



Carboplatin + gemcitabine



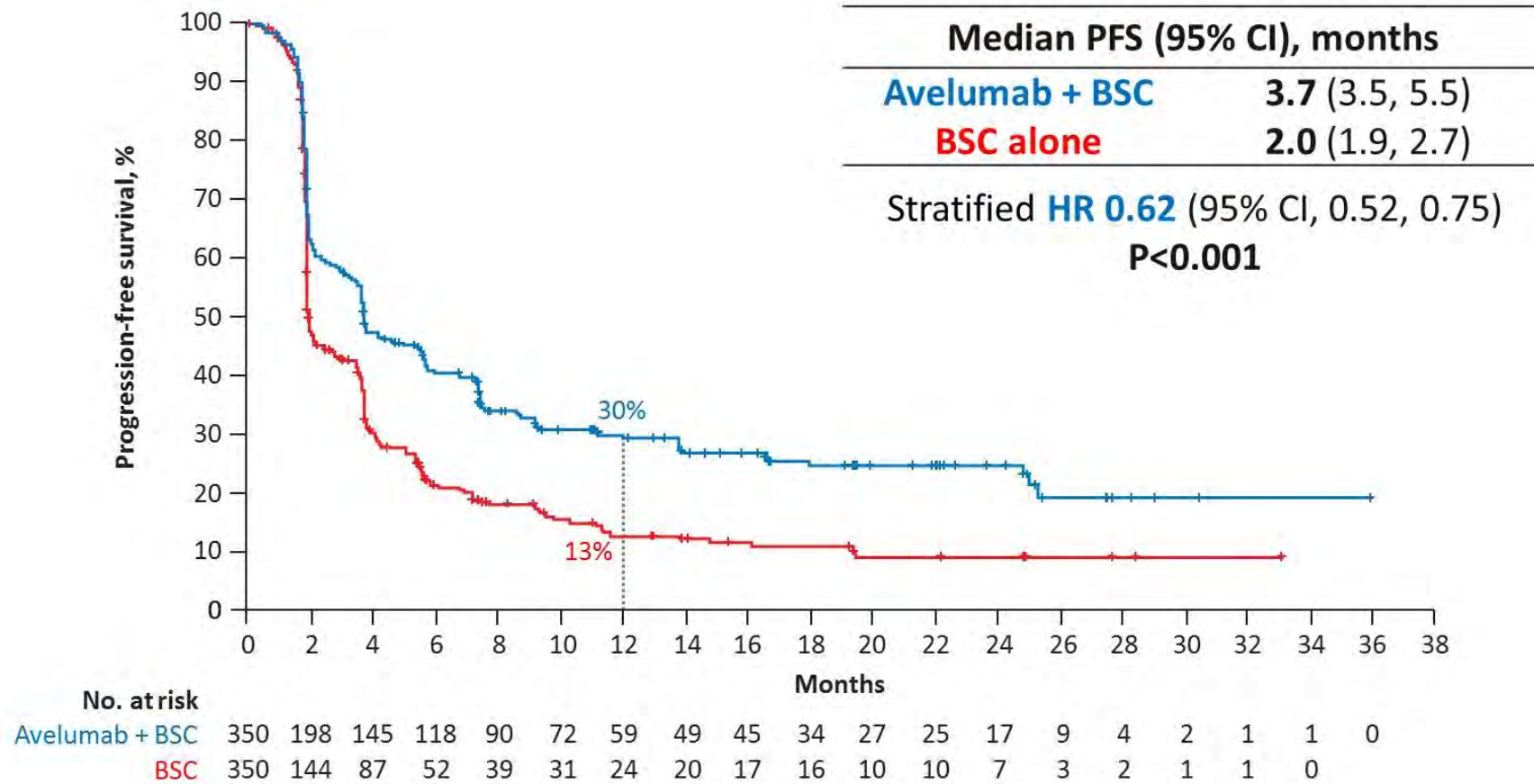
- In the overall population, median OS measured from the start of 1L chemotherapy was 29.7 months with avelumab + BSC and 20.5 months with BSC alone
- OS measured from the start of 1L chemotherapy was also longer with avelumab + BSC vs BSC alone irrespective of 1L chemotherapy regimen

1L, first line; BSC, best supportive care; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival.



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Maintenance avelumab lead to a PFS benefit



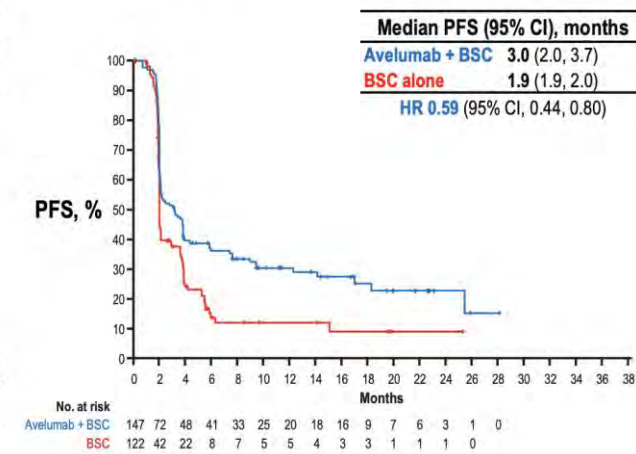
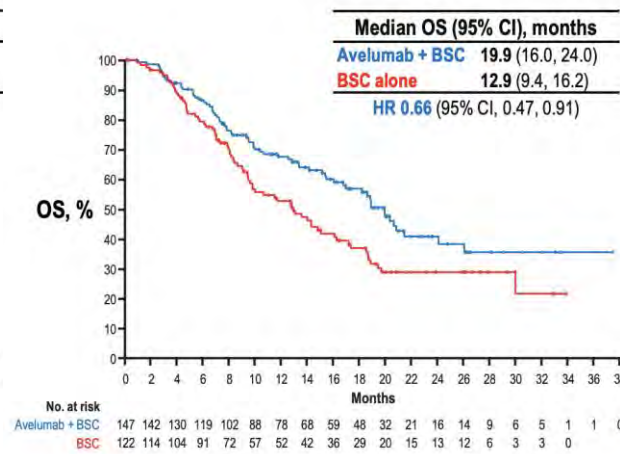
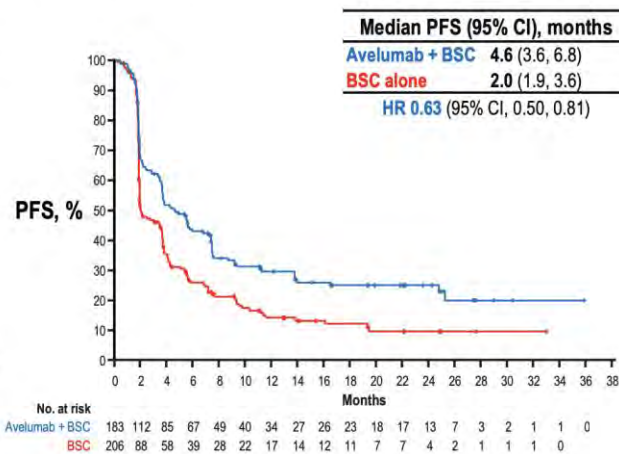
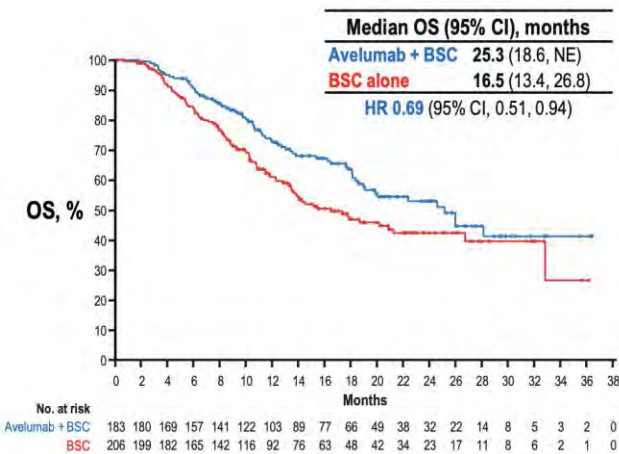


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PFS/OS benefit is independent of induction CT

Gemcitabine + cisplatin (N=389)

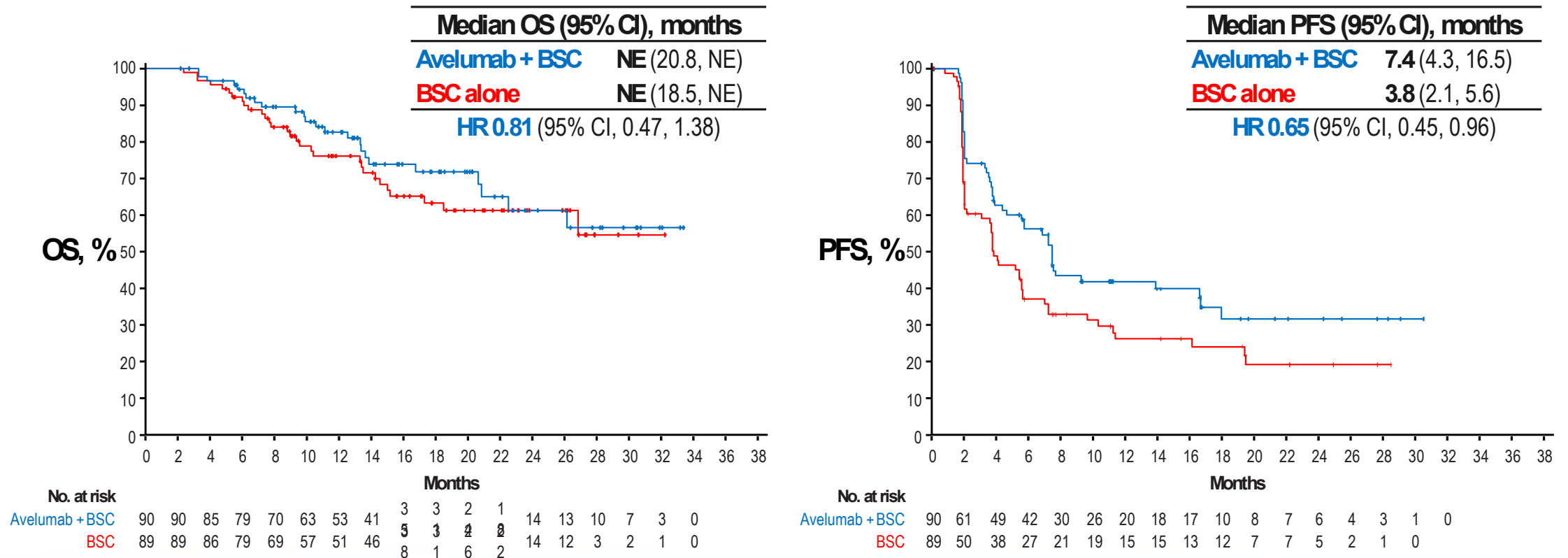
Gemcitabine + carboplatin (N=269)



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OS and PFS benefit with avelumab 1L maintenance was observed irrespective of best response to 1L chemotherapy

Complete response (n=179)

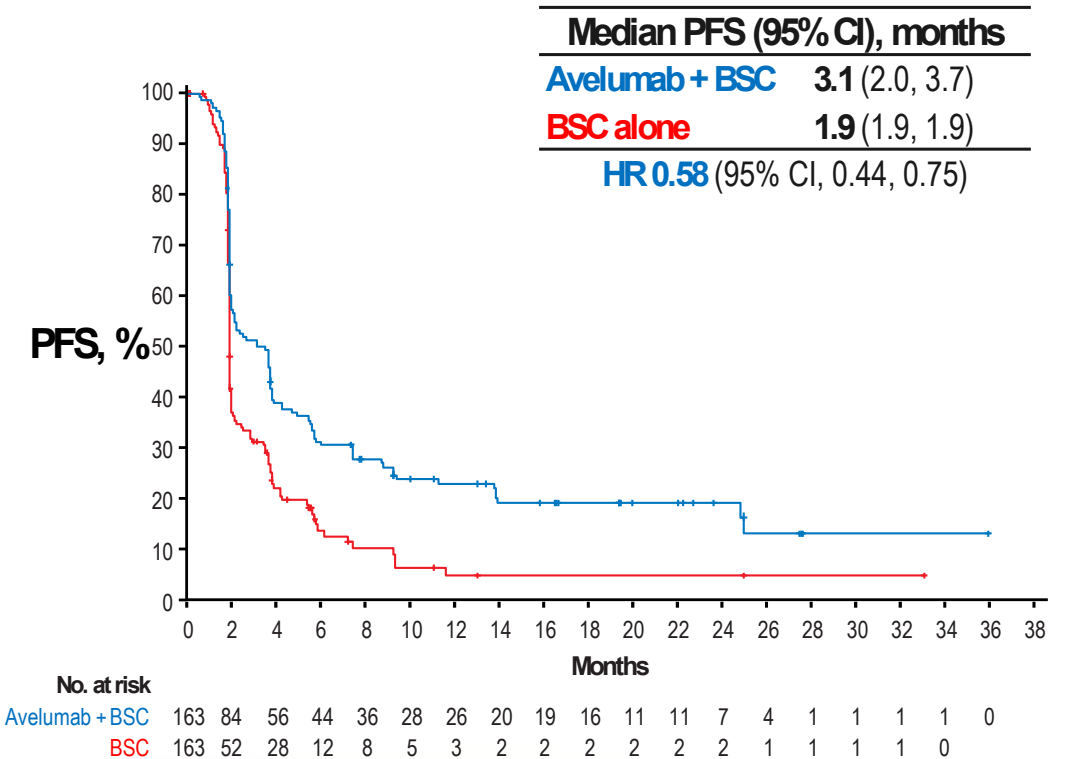
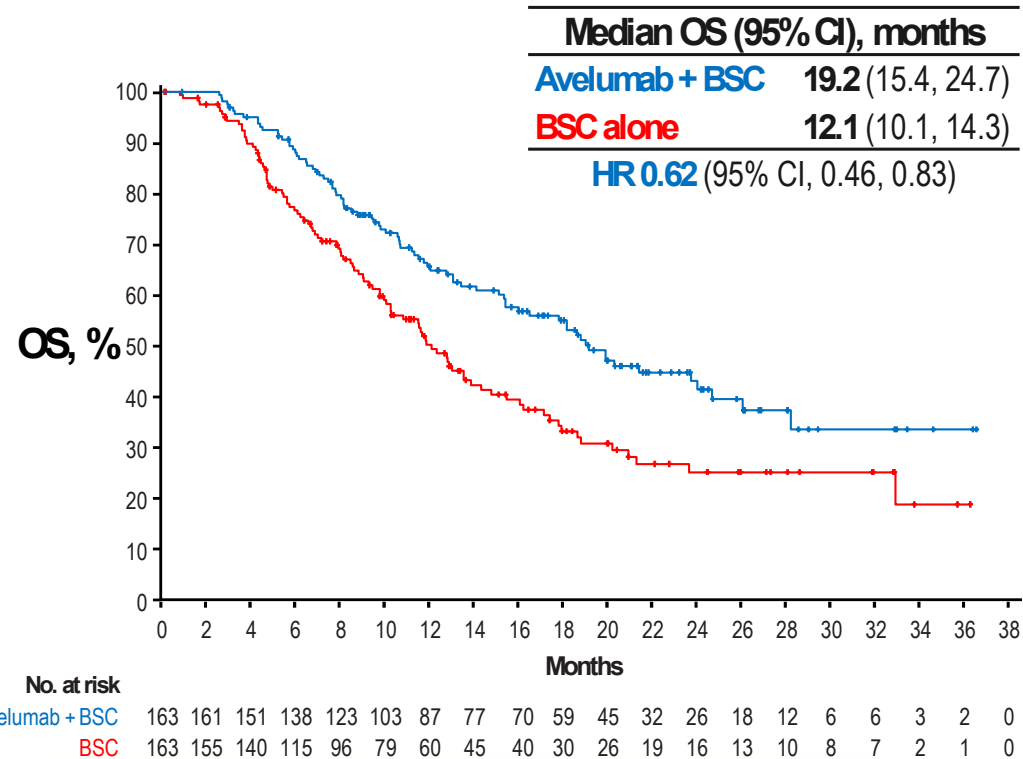


BSC, best supportive care; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; NE, not estimable; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival. OS and PFS were measured post randomisation (after chemotherapy); CR (i.e., no evidence of disease at baseline). PR, and SD at baseline was based on either BICR or investigator assessment up to protocol amendment 3, or investigator assessment only from protocol amendment 3 (19 Dec 2016) onward. Powles T et al., Oral 6990 presented at virtual ESMO congress 2020.

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Partial response (n=326)

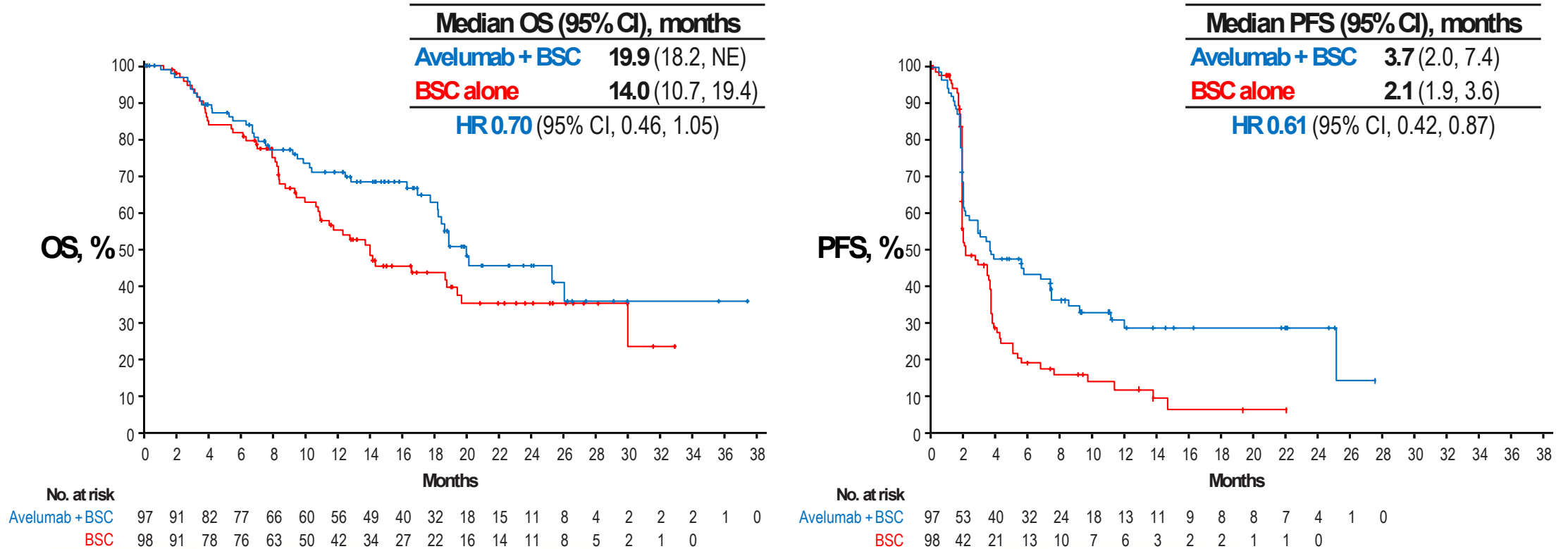


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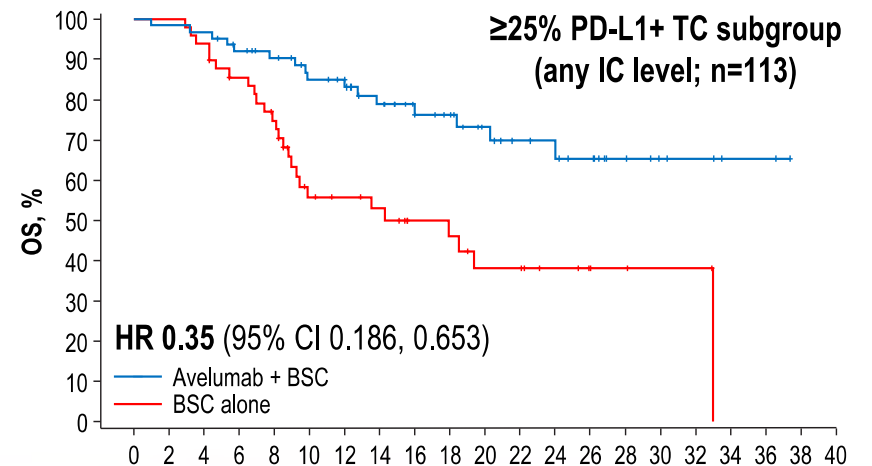
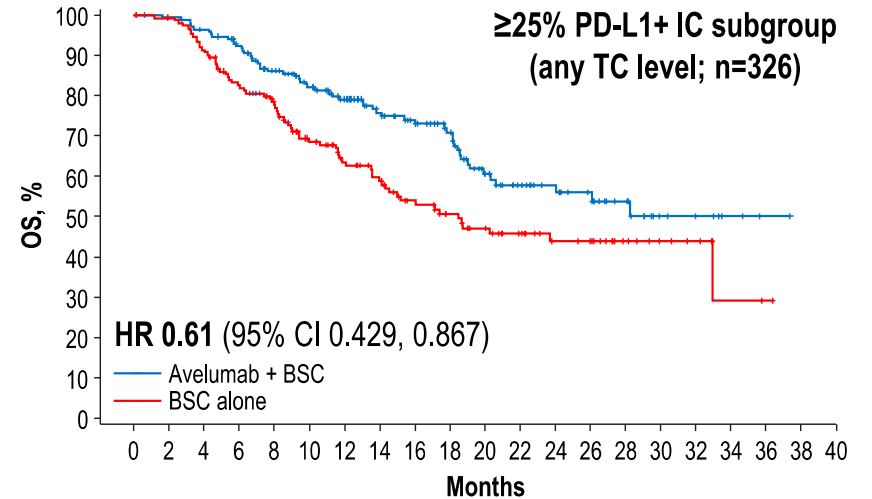
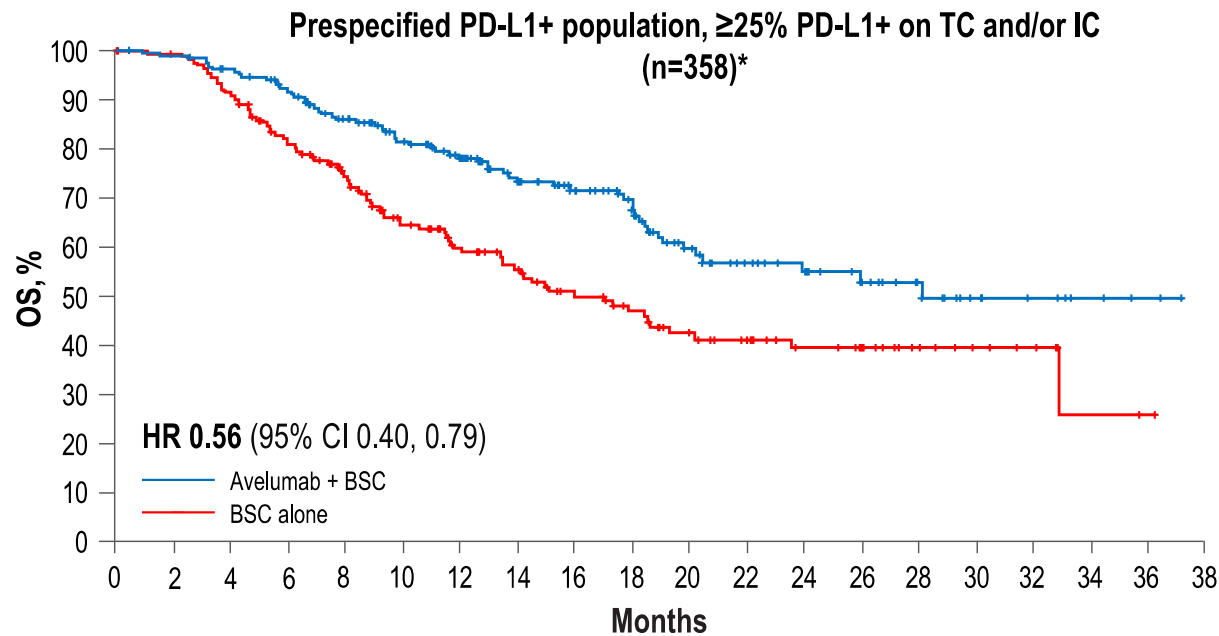
Stable disease (n=195)



OS and PFS were measured post randomisation (after chemotherapy); CR (i.e., no evidence of disease at baseline), PR, and SD at baseline was based on either BICR or investigator assessment up to protocol amendment 3, or investigator assessment only from protocol amendment 3 (19 Dec 2016) onward
Powles T et al. *New Engl J Med* 2020.

OS benefit in subgroups defined by PD-L1 expression on TC and/or IC

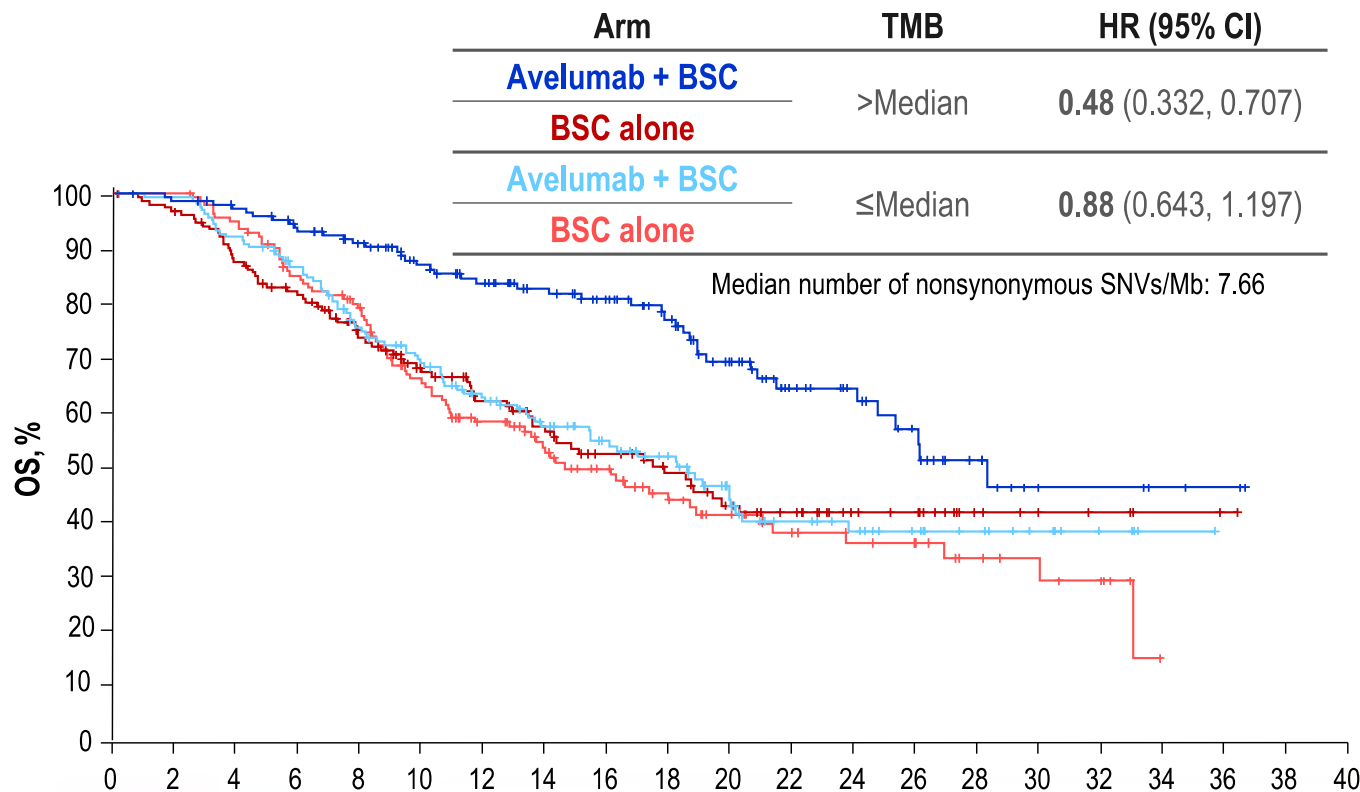
Neither PD-L1+ TC nor IC alone fully predict OS benefit



* PD-L1 expression in $\geq 25\%$ of tumour cells or in $\geq 25\%$ or 100% of tumour-associated immune cells if the percentage of immune cells was $>1\%$ or $\leq 1\%$, respectively, using the Ventana SP263 assay.

OS benefit in subgroups defined by tumor mutational burden and PD-L1 status

Neither TMB nor PD-L1 status alone fully predict OS benefit



Subgroup	HR (95% CI) Avelumab + BSC vs BSC alone
PD-L1+	0.56 (0.400, 0.790)
PD-L1-	0.85 (0.616, 1.181)
TMB-high	0.48 (0.332, 0.707)
TMB-low	0.88 (0.643, 1.197)
PDL1+ TMB-high (n=190)	0.51 (0.305, 0.868)
PDL1+ TMB-low (n=148)	0.60 (0.382, 0.955)
PDL1- TMB-high (n=105)	0.44 (0.251, 0.768)
PDL1- TMB-low (n=140)	1.27 (0.799, 2.006)

BSC, best supportive care; OS, overall survival; TMB, tumour mutational burden
Powles T et al., Oral 6990 presented at Virtual ESMO Congress 2020.



Safety of maintenance avelumab

	Avelumab + BSC (N=344)		BSC alone (N=345)	
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3
Any TEAE, %	98.0	47.4	77.7	25.2
Fatigue	17.7	1.7	7.0	0.6
Pruritus	17.2	0.3	1.7	0
UTI	17.2	4.4	10.4	2.6
Diarrhea	16.6	0.6	4.9	0.3
Arthralgia	16.3	0.6	5.5	0
Asthenia	16.3	0	5.5	1.2
Constipation	16.3	0.6	9.0	0
Back pain	16.0	1.2	9.9	2.3
Nausea	15.7	0.3	6.4	0.6
Pyrexia	14.8	0.3	3.5	0
Decreased appetite	13.7	0.3	6.7	0.6
Cough	12.8	0.3	4.6	0
Vomiting	12.5	1.2	3.5	0.6
Hypothyroidism	11.6	0.3	0.6	0
Rash	11.6	0.3	1.2	0
Anemia	11.3	3.8	6.7	2.9
Hematuria	10.5	1.7	10.7	1.4
IRR	10.2	0.9	0	0

- TEAEs led to discontinuation of avelumab in 11.9%
- Death was attributed by the investigator to study treatment toxicity in 2 patients (0.6%) in the avelumab + BSC arm
 - Due to sepsis (in Cycle 10) and ischemic stroke (100 days after a single dose of avelumab)

Table shows TEAEs of any grade occurring in ≥10% or grade ≥3 TEAEs occurring in ≥5% in either arm

AE, adverse event; IRR, infusion-related reaction; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; UTI, urinary tract infection
Safety was assessed in all patients who received ≥1 dose of avelumab in the avelumab arm, or who completed the cycle 1 day 1 visit in the BSC arm (N=689)





Safety of maintenance avelumab

Long-term safety for maintenance treatment by prior 1L chemotherapy regimen

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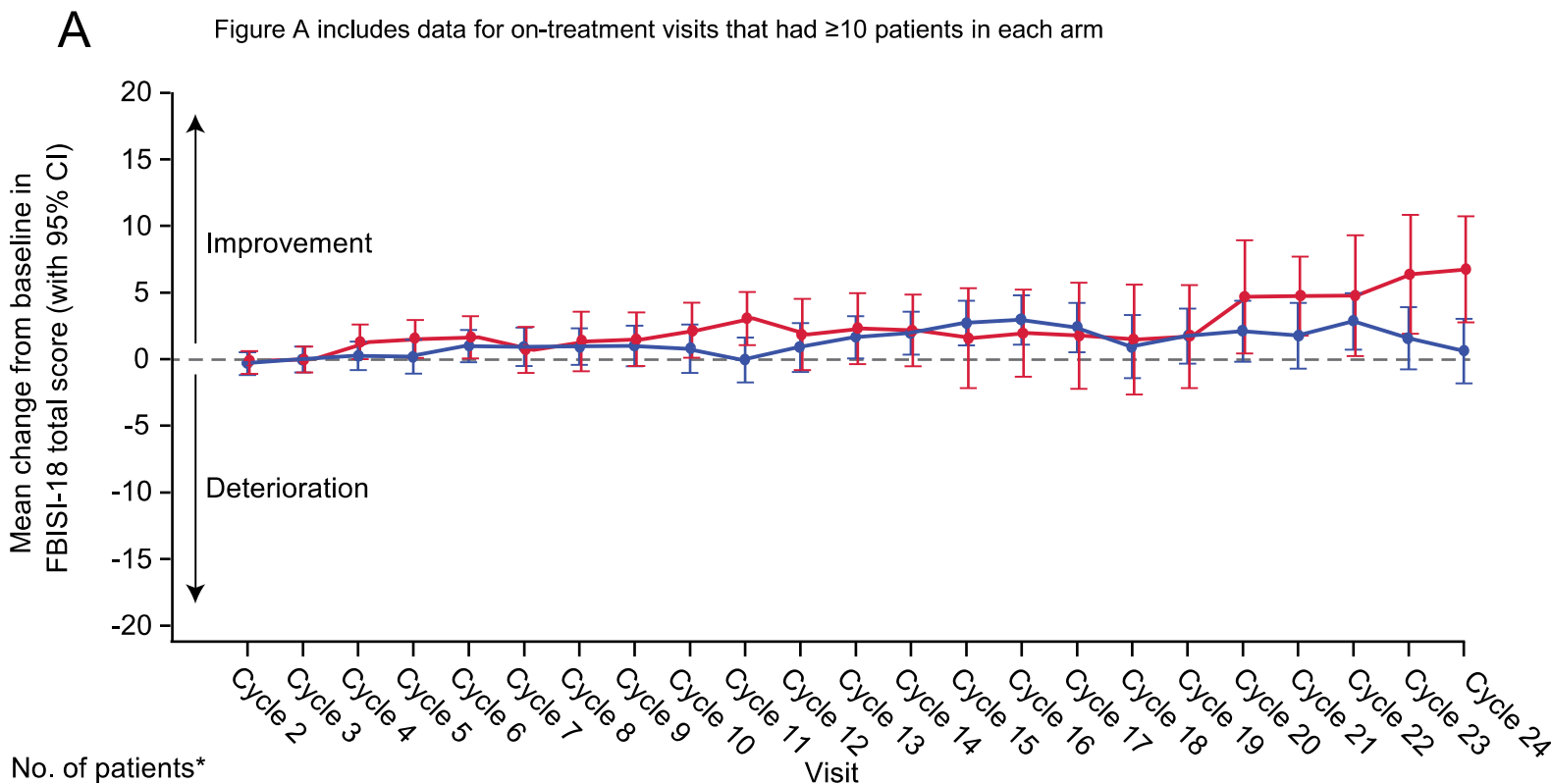
Events, n (%)	Cisplatin + gemcitabine		Carboplatin + gemcitabine	
	Avelumab + BSC (n=182)	BSC alone (n=204)	Avelumab + BSC (n=142)	BSC alone (n=119)
AE of any grade	182 (100)	160 (78.4)	136 (95.8)	90 (75.6)
Grade ≥3 AE	92 (50.5)	51 (25.0)	82 (57.7)	34 (28.6)
TRAE of any grade	147 (80.8)	5 (2.5)	107 (75.4)	1 (0.8)
Grade ≥3 TRAE	30 (16.5)	0	32 (22.5)	0
Serious AE	47 (25.8)	36 (17.6)	51 (35.9)	31 (26.1)
Serious TRAE	15 (8.2)	0	15 (10.6)	0
AE leading to interruption of avelumab	80 (44.0)	NA	69 (48.6)	NA
AE leading to discontinuation	19 (10.4)	0	27 (19.0)	0
TRAE leading to discontinuation	16 (8.8)	0	21 (14.8)	0
AE leading to death	3 (1.6)	9 (4.4)	4 (2.8)	12 (10.1)
TRAE leading to death	1 (0.5)	0	1 (0.7)	0
IRR of any grade	41 (22.5)	0	27 (19.0)	0

- Long-term safety was similar in both the cisplatin and carboplatin subgroups
 - No new safety concerns were identified

1L, first line; AE, adverse event; BSC, best supportive care; IRR, infusion-related reaction; NA, not applicable; TRAE, treatment-related adverse event.



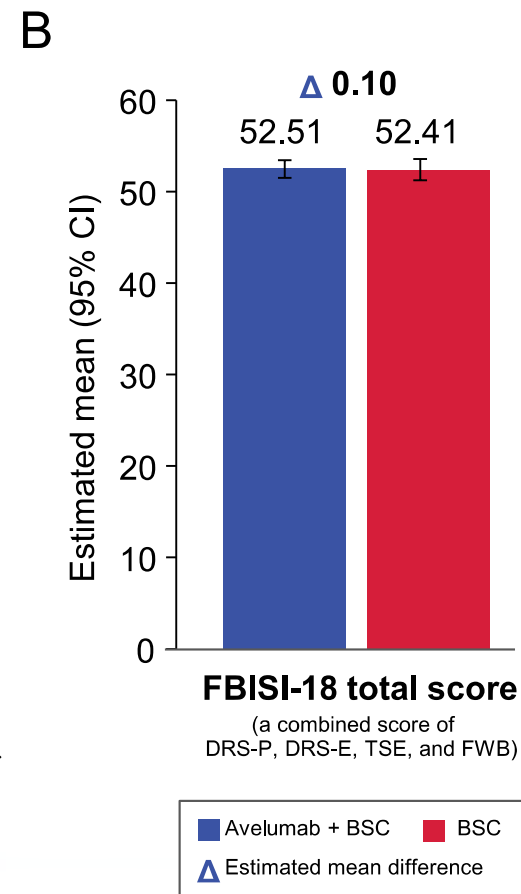
FBISI-18 total score in overall population: Changes from baseline (A) and mixed-model analysis prior to end of treatment (B)



No. of patients*

Avelumab + BSC	310	269	240	202	178	160	144	132	123	120	103	96	87	80	67	63	57	47	42	43	38	35	33
BSC	297	223	155	120	109	85	68	55	49	47	43	36	32	28	26	23	21	18	16	16	15	14	10

* Number of patients who completed the baseline assessment and the assessment at the respective cycle

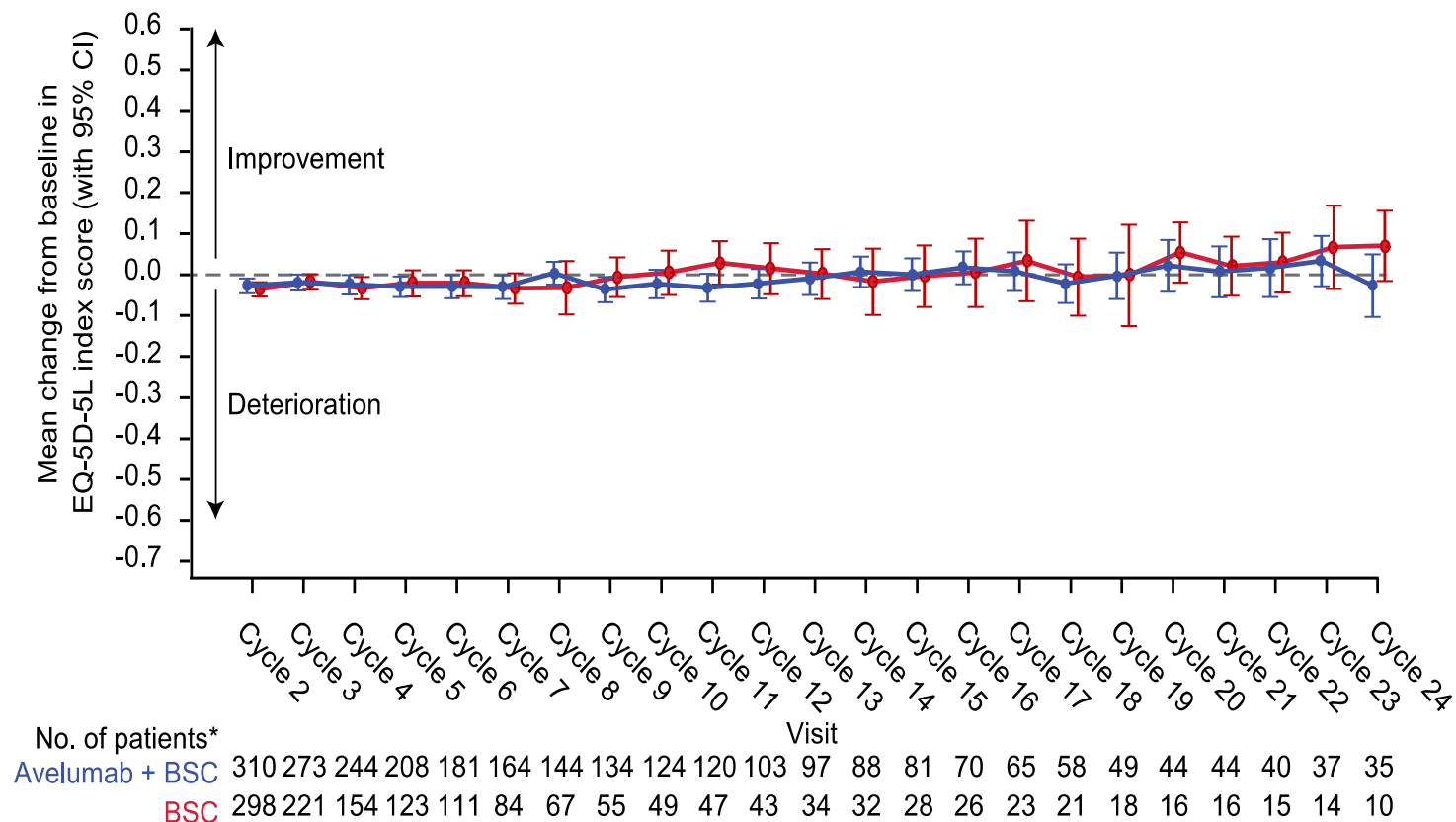


Note: The FBISI-18 measures symptoms and quality of life (QOL) in patients with UC in the past 7 days. FBISI-18 total score range, 0–72; disease-related symptoms–physical (DRS-P) score range, 0–36; disease-related symptoms–emotional (DRS-E) score range, 0–8; treatment side effects (TSE) score range, 0–20; general function/functional and well-being (FWB) score range, 0–8. An estimate of clinically important difference for a within-patient change is one-third of standard deviation (SD); total score, 3–4; DRS-P, 2–3; DRS-E, 1; TSE, 1; FWB, 1.¹

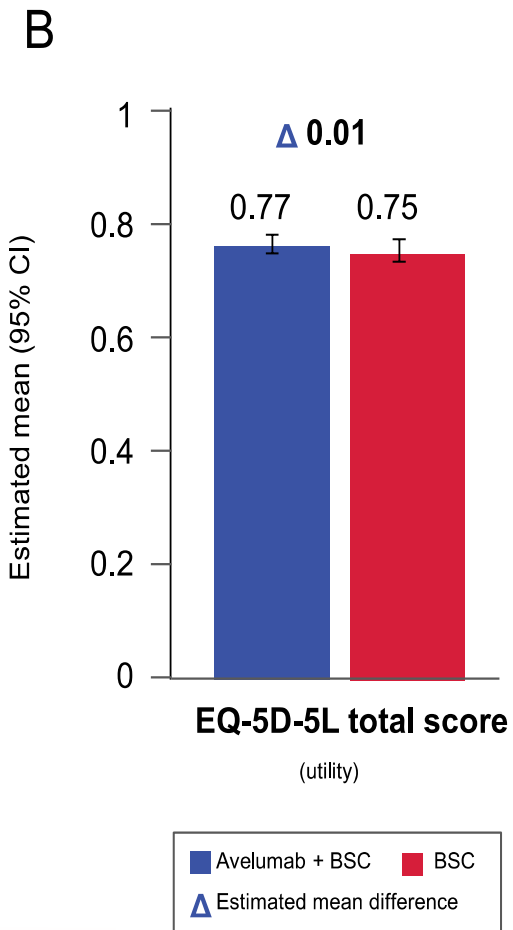
1. Yost KJ, Eton DT. Eval Health Prof. 2005;28(2):172-91; 2. Powles, T. et al., *New Engl J Med* 2020; 3. Powles T et al., Poster 745P presented at virtual ESMO 2020.

EQ-5D-5L index score in overall population: Changes from baseline (A) and mixed-model analysis prior to end of treatment (B)

A Figure A includes data for on-treatment visits that had ≥ 10 patients in each arm



* Number of patients who completed the baseline assessment and the assessment at the respective cycle



Note: The EQ-5D-5L index measures general health status based on mobility, self-care, usual activities, pain/discomfort, and anxiety/depression. The EQ-5D-5L index is calculated based on UK weights, and scores range from -0.594 to 1; the EQ-5D-5L visual analogue scale (EQ-VAS) range is 0-100. A minimally important difference is 0.09-0.012 for the EQ-5D-5L index score and 7-12 for the EQ-VAS based on UK weights.¹
 1. Pickard AS, et al. *Health Qual Life Outcomes*. 2007;5:70; 2. Powles T et al., *New Engl J Med* 2020; 3. Powles T et al., Poster 745P presented at virtual ESMO 2020.



AVENANCE: A real-world study of avelumab 1L maintenance treatment in patients with aUC

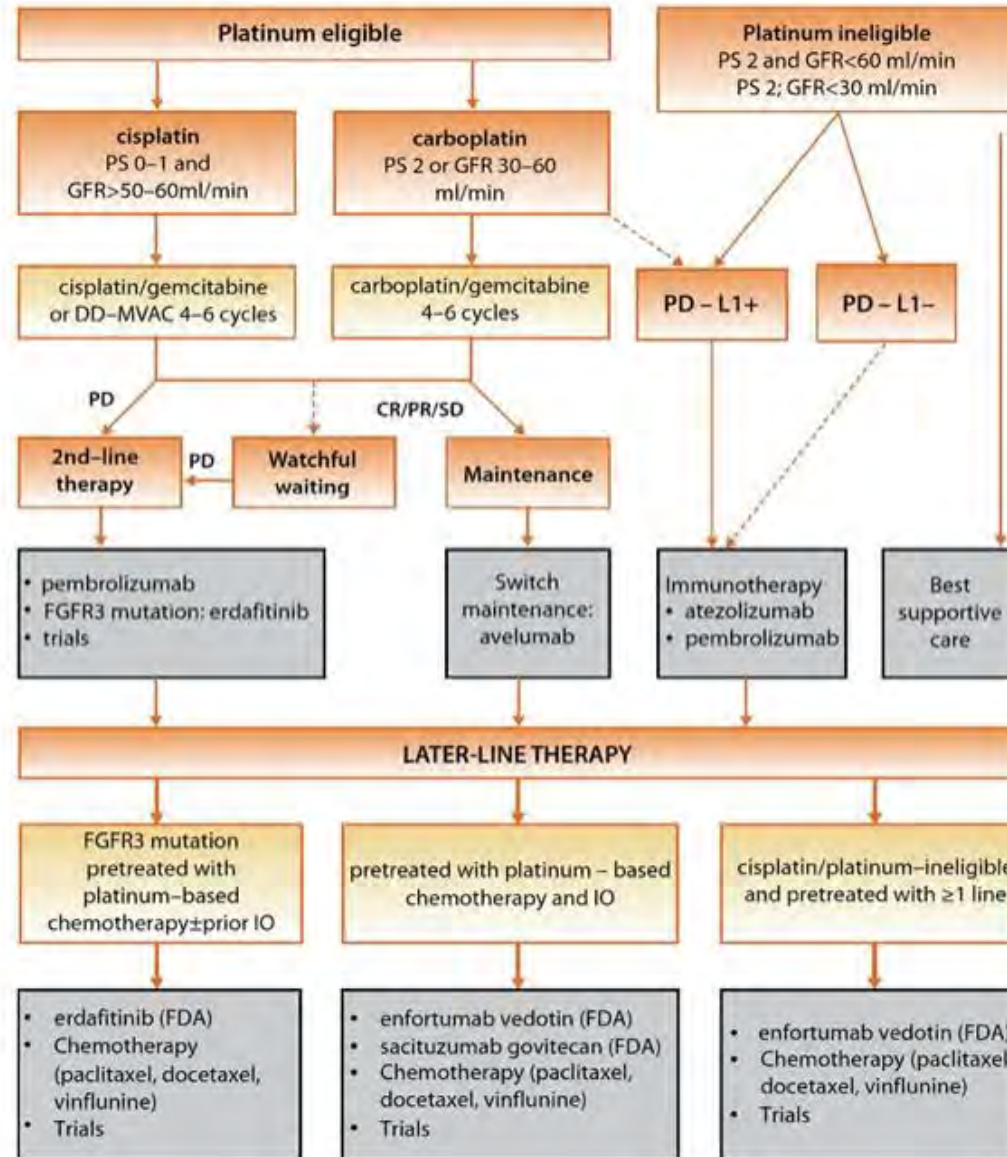
- AVENANCE (NCT04822350) is an ongoing, real-world, ambispective study evaluating the effectiveness and safety of avelumab 1L maintenance in patients with aUC that has not progressed with platinum-based chemotherapy in France
 - Preliminary results from this study in the first 267 patients enrolled who had started avelumab treatment ≥ 6 months prior to January 31, 2022 (data cutoff) have been published previously⁷
 - The 12-month OS rate from the start of avelumab treatment was 66.9%, and median PFS was 5.7 months

Summary of AEs

Events, n (%)	N=593
TEAE*	428 (72.2)
Serious TEAE	200 (33.7)
TEAE leading to temporary/permanent discontinuation	171 (28.8)
TEAE leading to death	99 (16.7)
TRAE	254 (42.8)
Serious TRAE	31 (5.2)
TRAE leading to temporary/permanent discontinuation	78 (13.2)
TRAE leading to death	5 (0.8)



aUC – Treatment algorithm





Conclusions

- With ≥ 2 years of follow-up in all patients, long-term outcomes from JAVELIN Bladder 100 confirm that avelumab 1L maintenance provides similar OS and PFS benefits in patients with advanced UC who are progression free following standard-of-care 1L cisplatin- or carboplatin-based chemotherapy, with an acceptable safety profile
 - Long-term safety of avelumab 1L maintenance was similar in patients who had received 1L cisplatin or carboplatin + gemcitabine
- In the overall population, median OS with the full JAVELIN Bladder regimen (1L cisplatin- or carboplatin-based chemotherapy followed by avelumab 1L maintenance) was 29.7 months
 - This result further supports avelumab 1L maintenance as standard of care in patients with advanced UC who are progression free following 1L platinum-based chemotherapy and provides a benchmark for ongoing and future clinical trial outcomes

1L, first line; BSC, best supportive care; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; UC, urothelial carcinoma.

