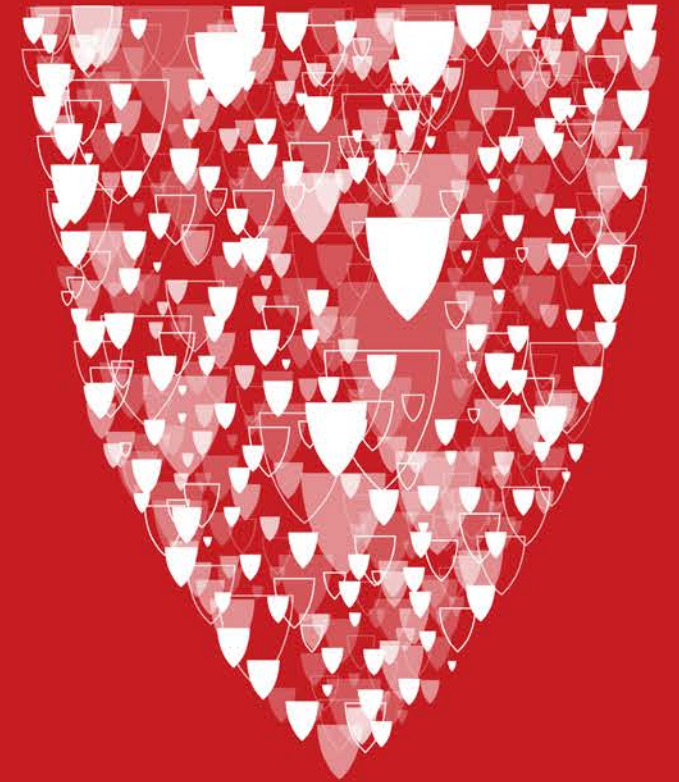


# Endometrial Cancer- Current Management and Emerging Therapies

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# Disclosures

None

# Objectives

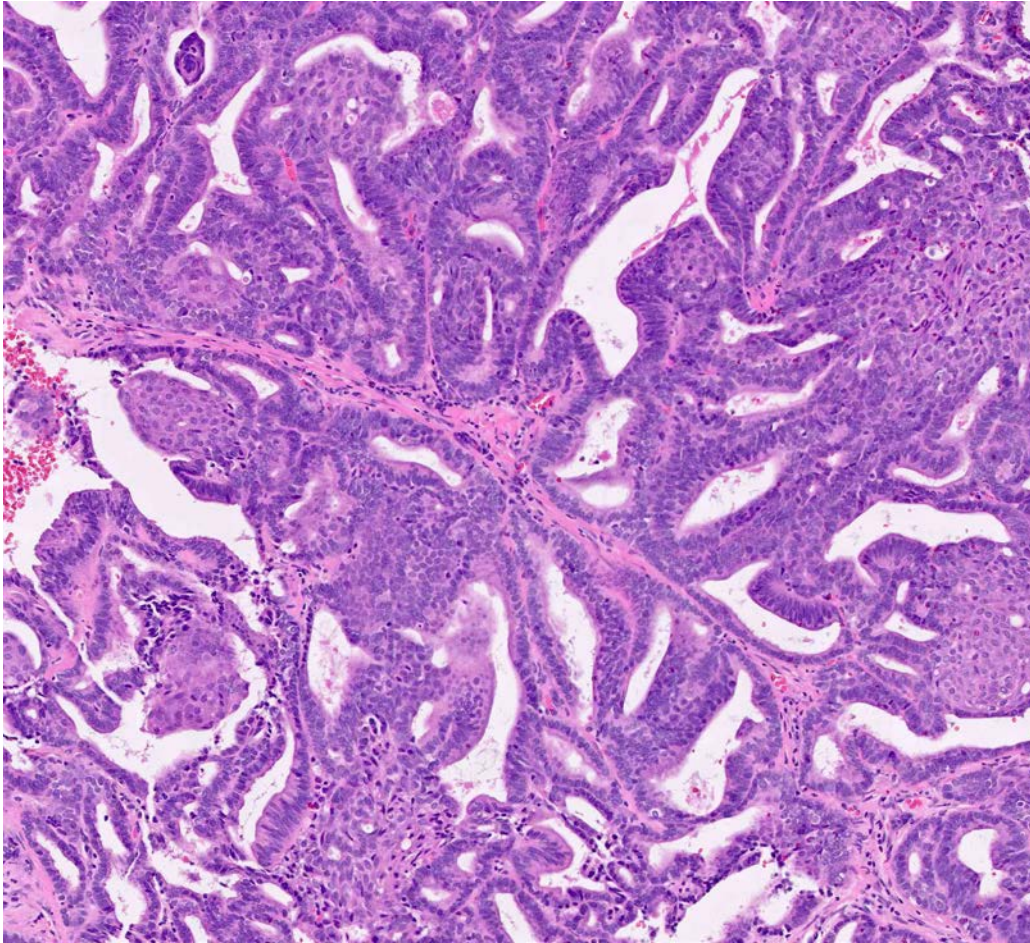
Review current management for endometrial cancer

Review emerging therapies in endometrial cancer



# Background

# Uterine Cancer



Incidence: 67,880 cases in 2024, increasing!

Highest in Black patients

Mortality: 13,250 deaths in 2024

Almost twice as high for Black patients

3% lifetime risk

Median age 60-70 at diagnosis

90% of uterine cancers are endometrial

RFs: Excess estrogen, anovulation, obesity, tamoxifen, early menarche/late menopause, genetic syndromes

# Uterine Cancer

Endometrial Cancer (90%)

- Endometrioid (75-80%)

- Serous (10%)

- Clear Cell (<5%)

- Carcinosarcoma (<5%)

- Undifferentiated/ Dedifferentiated

Uterine Sarcoma

- Leiomyosarcoma

- Endometrial Stromal Sarcoma

- Adenosarcoma

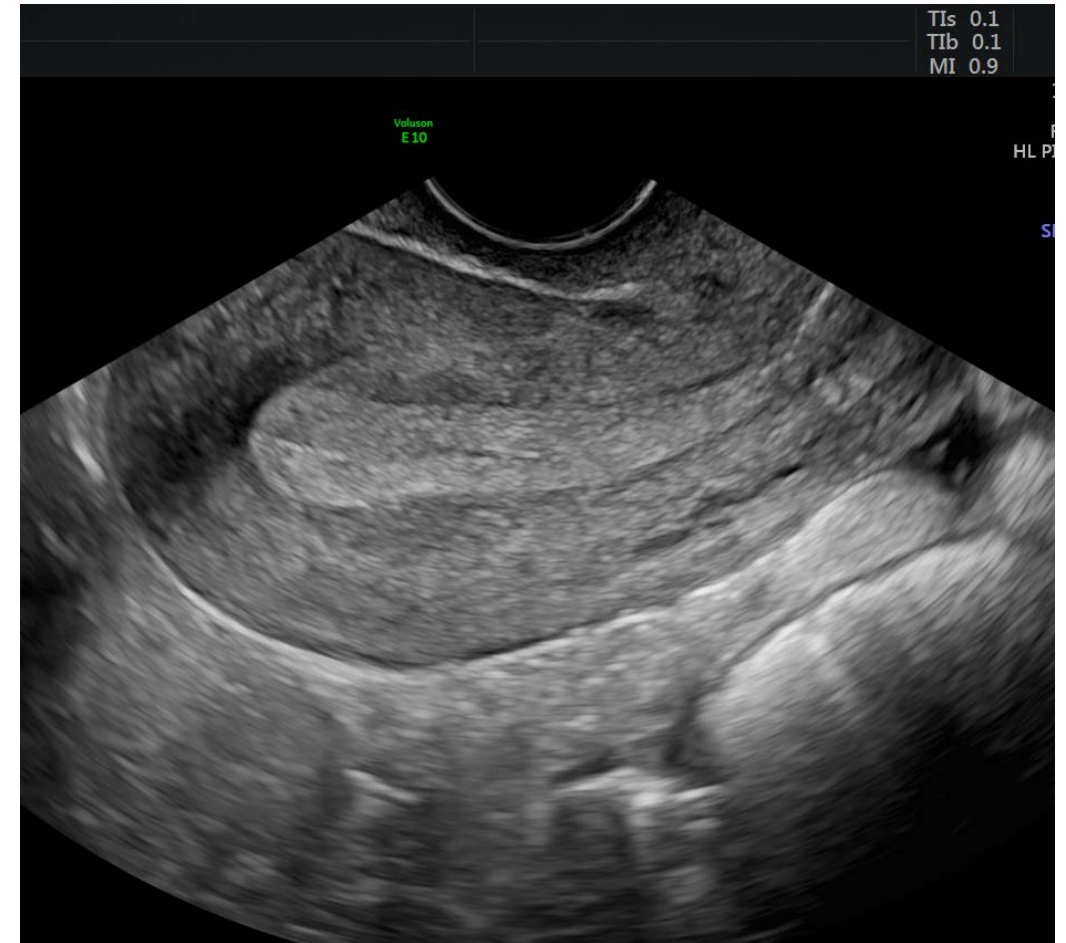
# Uterine Cancer

Symptoms: Postmenopausal bleeding, abnormal uterine bleeding, abnormal cervical cytology, incidental finding on imaging, incidental finding after hysterectomy, pelvic radiation

NO SCREENING tests

~5% of endometrial cancers are genetic (Lynch syndrome, Cowden's)

Automatic testing for mismatch repair proteins





# Uterine Cancer

## Diagnosis

- Pelvic ultrasound (often displaying a thickened endometrial stripe, >4mm)

- Endometrial biopsy or Dilation and curettage

- Incidental after hysterectomy

## Management

- Surgery

- Radiation

- Systemic Therapy

## Recurrence

- Surgery

- Radiation

- Systemic Therapy



# Uterine Cancer

## Special Considerations

Postmenopausal bleeding always needs evaluation (pelvic US +/- uterine sampling)

Disparities noted in diagnosis of Black women

For patients with significant vaginal bleeding could consider systemic progestins (megace, provera) or radiation to temporize, some require transfusion

# Management

Presumed uterine confined disease

- TLH/BSO/Sentinel lymph nodes

- ChemoRT

- Endocrine therapy

Cervical involvement

- Radical hysterectomy, BSO, PLND

Disease outside of the uterus, surgically resectable

- Hysterectomy, BSO, tumor debulking

Disease outside of the uterus, not surgically resectable

- Neoadjuvant systemic therapy with possible interval debulking surgery

Distant Disease

- Systemic therapy



# **Systemic therapies for Uterine Cancer**

# Chemo vs Radiation

## GOG 122 (2006)

- 388 pts RCT, Stage IIIA-IV no residual disease >2cm
- Compared WAR vs cis/adria
- Both arms had a 50% RR
- PFS 38% vs 50%
- OS 42% vs 55%

## GOG 258 (Matei et al, NEJM 2019)

- 736 pts RCT, Stage IIIA-IV (all histologies), no residual disease >2cm, Stage I-II serous/ clear cell with positive washings
- Arms: CisRT followed by 4 cycles Carbo/taxol vs Carbo/taxol for 6 cycles
- PFS 59% vs 58% (non-significant)
- OS not achieved in either arm (2024 data)
- Fewer local recurrences with ChemoRT, both arms well tolerated

We often favor chemotherapy with brachytherapy over Chemo with pelvic radiation

# Chemotherapy

GOG 209 (Miller, JCO, 2020)

- Established carbo/taxol as standard of care
- 1300 pts with stage III/IV/recurrent (chemo naive) RCT, non inferiority
- Carbo/Doxorubicin/Taxol (TAP) vs Carbo/taxol
- No difference in PFS or OS
- More G3/4 toxicity with TAP regimen

# GOG 261 (Powell et al, JCO 2022)

Phase 3 RCT 637 pts with carcinosarcoma (uterine and ovarian) carbo/taxol vs ifos/taxol

536 uterine carcinosarcomas

Stage I-IV, recurrent chemo naïve

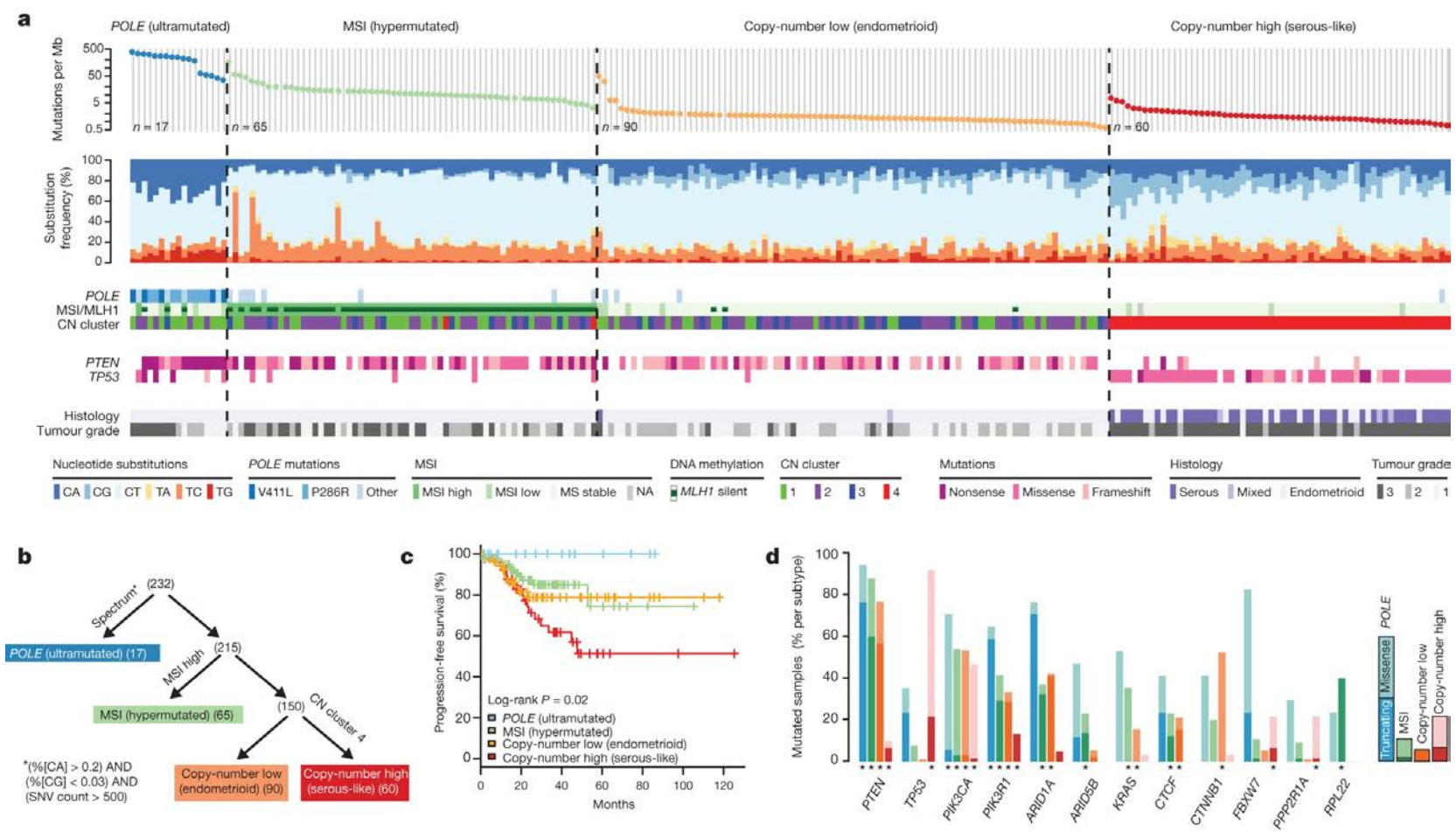
Carbo/taxol non-inferior to Ifos/taxol

PFS 16 vs 12m significant

OS 37 vs 29m non-significant

Less toxicity with carbo/taxol

# Molecular Classifications, TCGA, Nature 2013



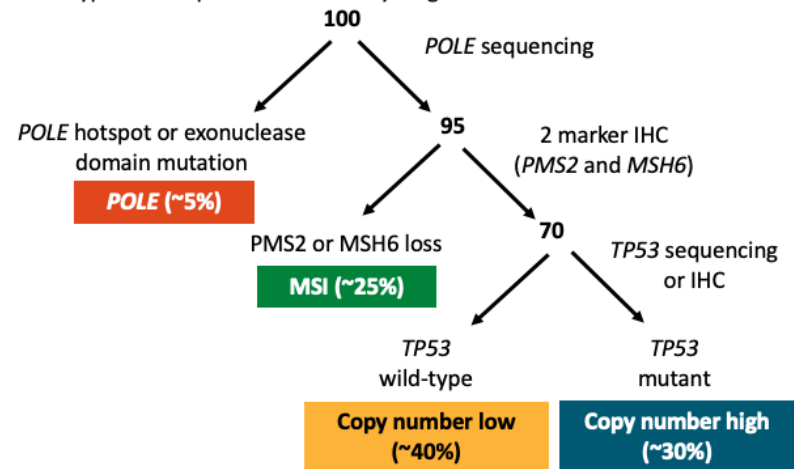


# Molecular Classifications

## TCGA Molecular Classification and Outcomes

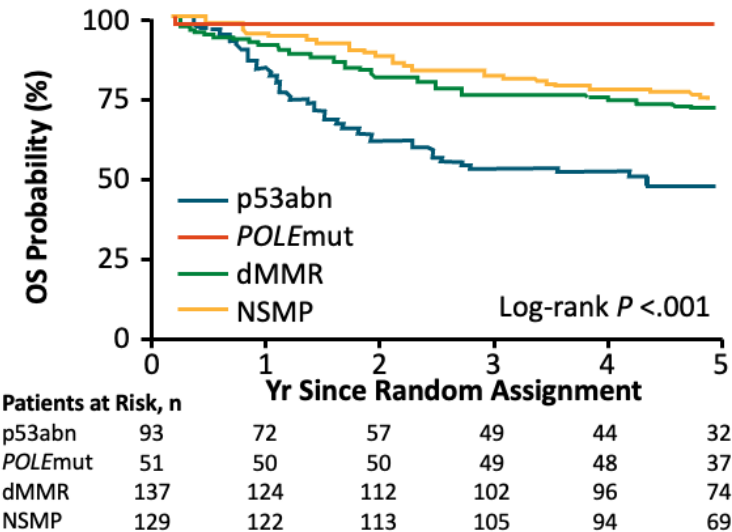
### Patients Divided Into TCGA subgroups

100 hypothetical patients with newly diagnosed endometrial cancer



- Prognostic value of molecular classification of high-risk endometrial cancer for benefit from chemotherapy

MacKay. Oncotarget. 2017;8:84579. León-Castillo. JCO. 2020;38:3388.



- 410 patients with successful molecular testing
  - 23% p53abn: p53 abnormal
  - 12% POLEmut: POLE ultramutated
  - 33% dMMR: mismatch repair deficient
  - 32% NSMP: no specific molecular profile

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# NRG GY018, Eskander et al NEJM 2023

Phase 3 RCT 816pts

Stage III-IVA with measurable disease

Stage IVB or Recurrent with/without measurable disease

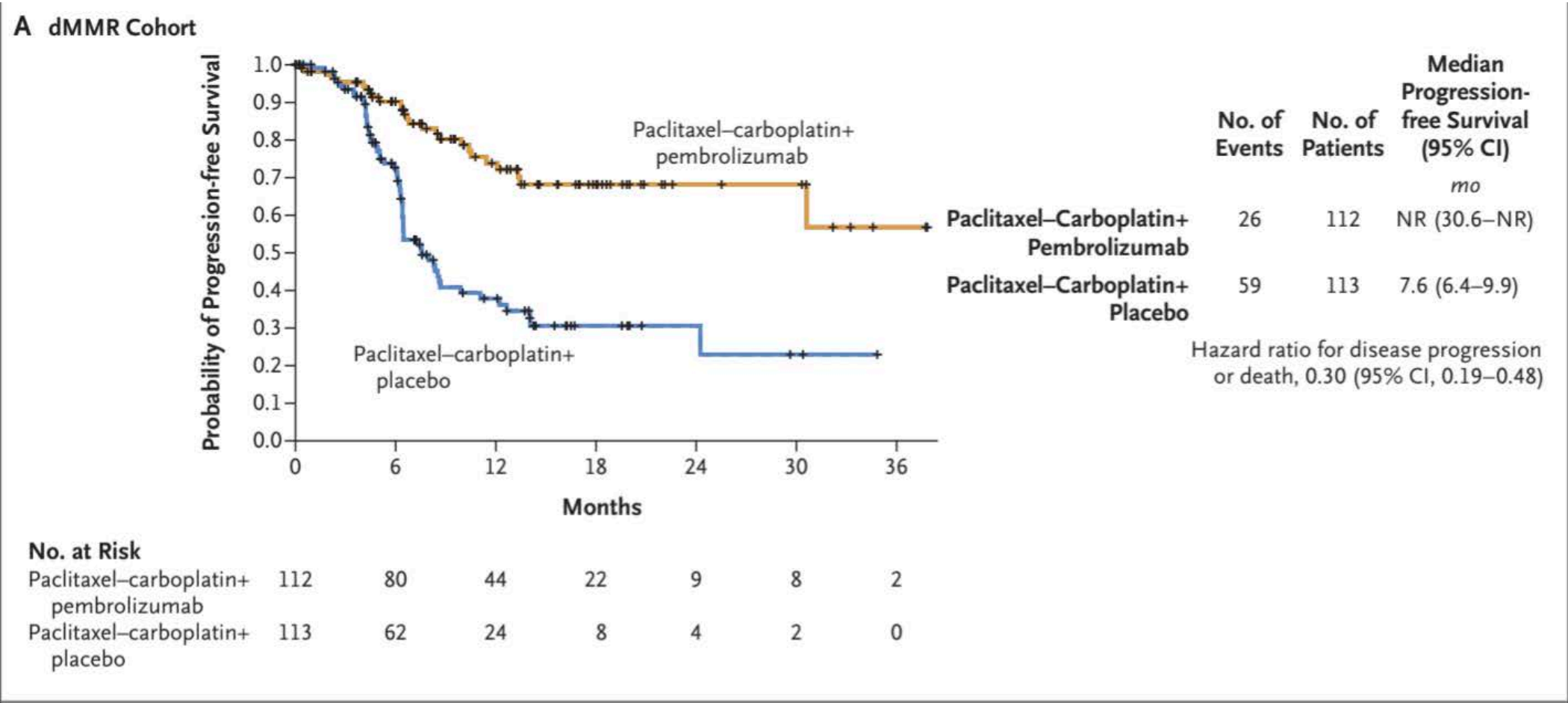
Had to be 12m from last regimen if recurrent

\*Did not include carcinosarcoma\*

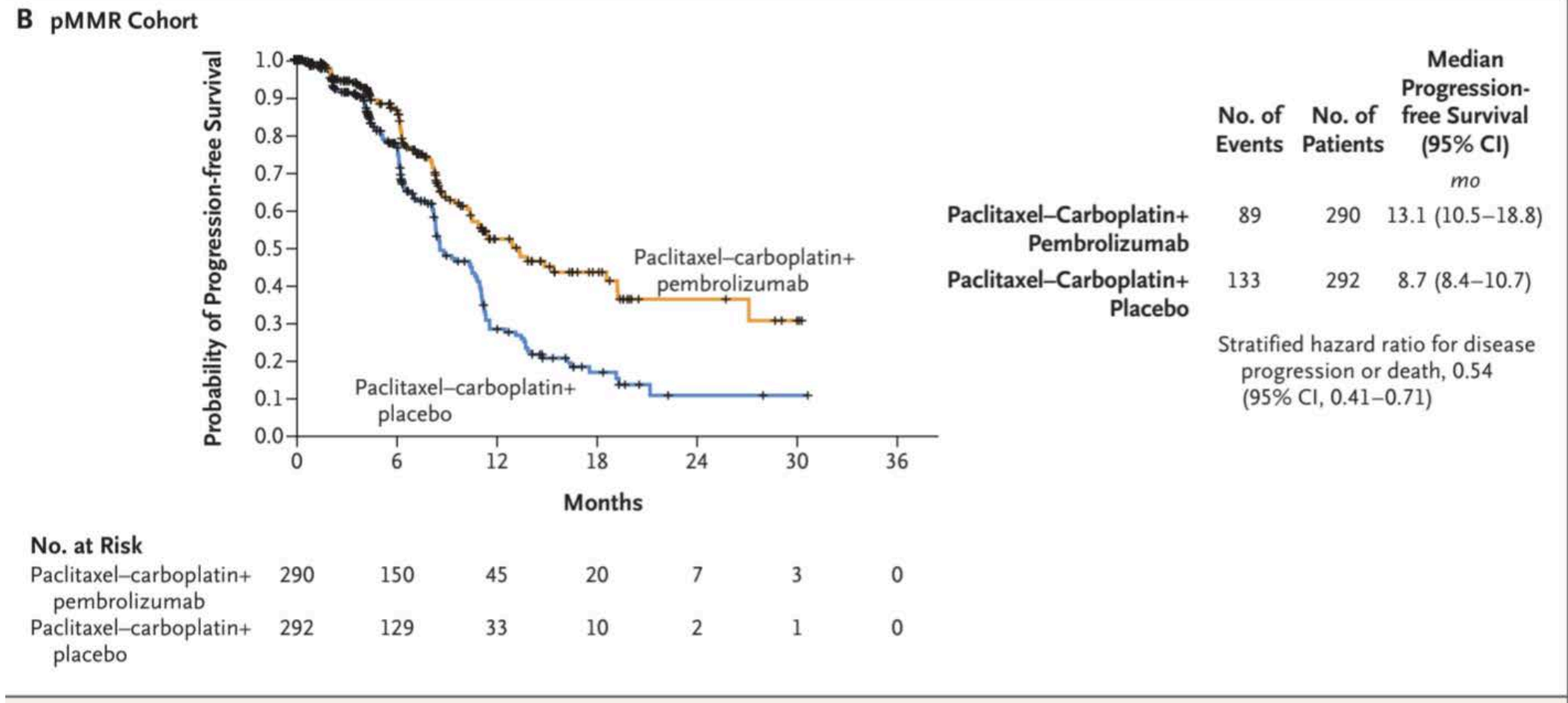
Randomized to carbo/taxol/pembro with pembro maintenance vs carbo/taxol/placebo with placebo maintenance for up to 20 cycles (6 combined + 14 maintenance)

Primary outcome PFS

# NRG GY018



# NRG GY018



# RUBY, Mirza et al NEJM 2023

Phase 3 RCT 494pts

Stage IIIA-C1 with measurable disease

High risk histology (clear cell, serous, carcinosarcoma\*, mixed histology) IIIC1 without measurable disease

Stage IIIC2 or IV disease any histology

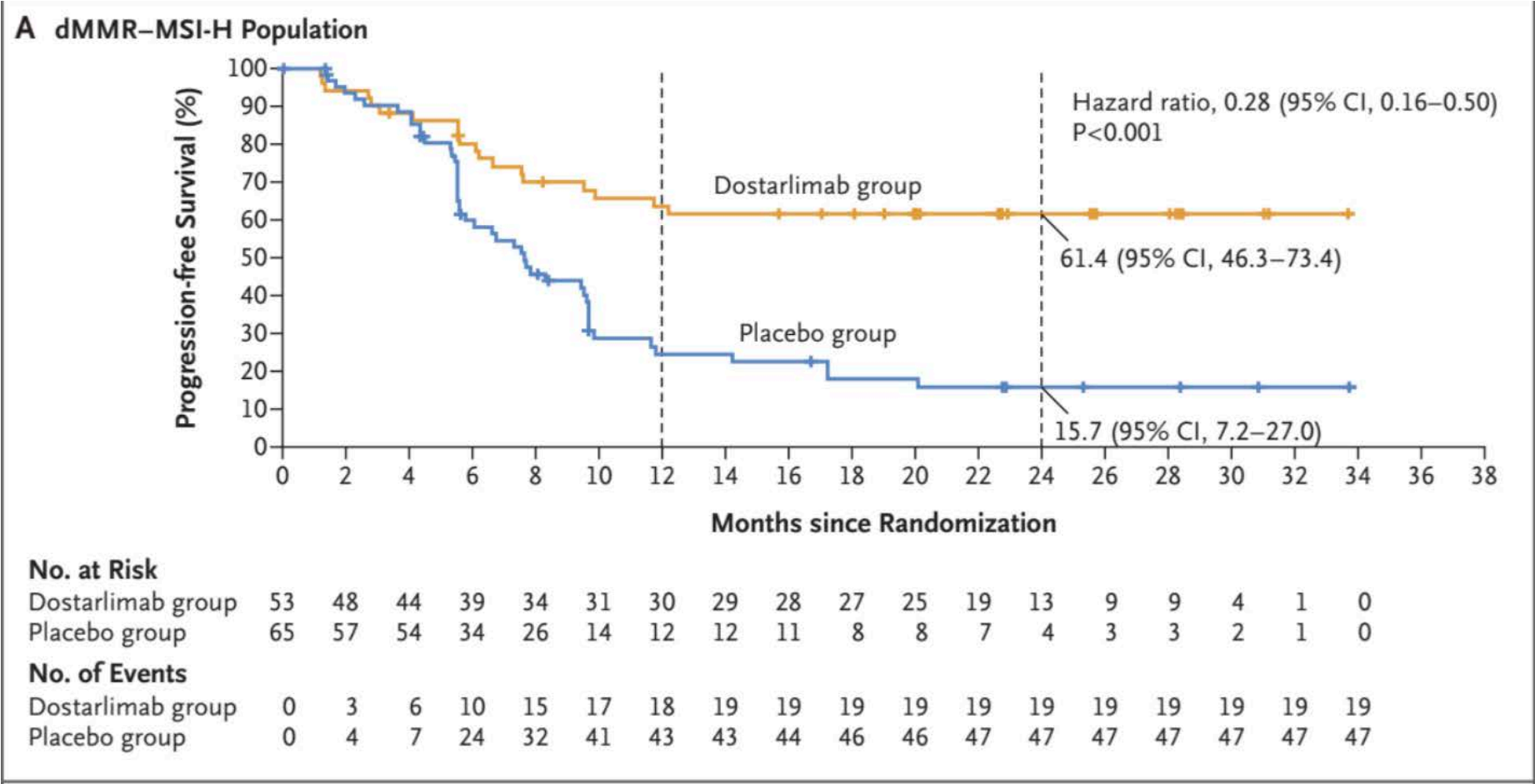
Recurrent disease (if prior therapy at least 6m since last regimen)

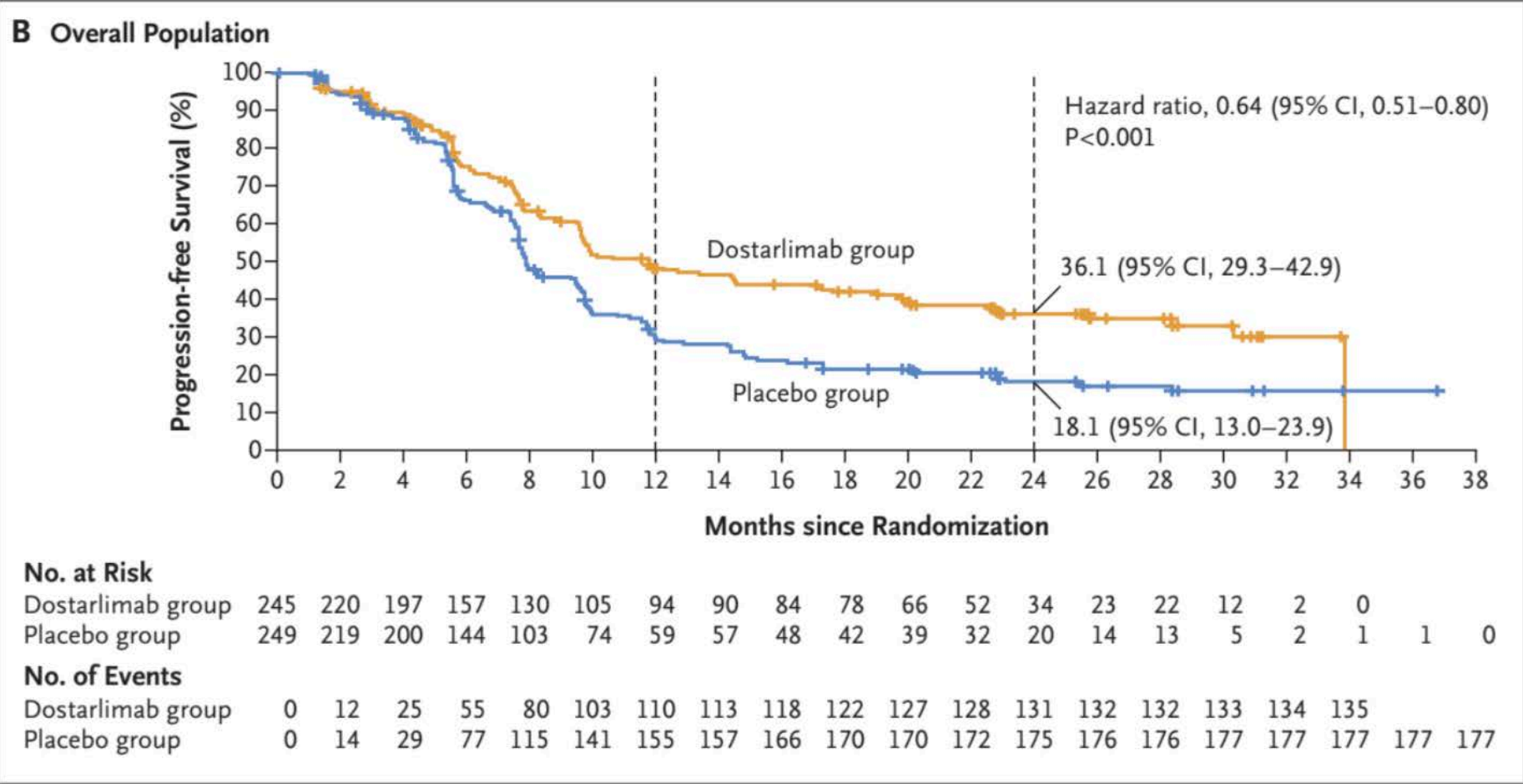
Randomized to carbo/taxol/dostarlimab plus dostarlimab maintenance vs Carbo/taxol/placebo plus placebo maintenance for up to 3 years

Primary outcomes PFS and OS

~48% with recurrent disease, 9% with carcinosarcoma

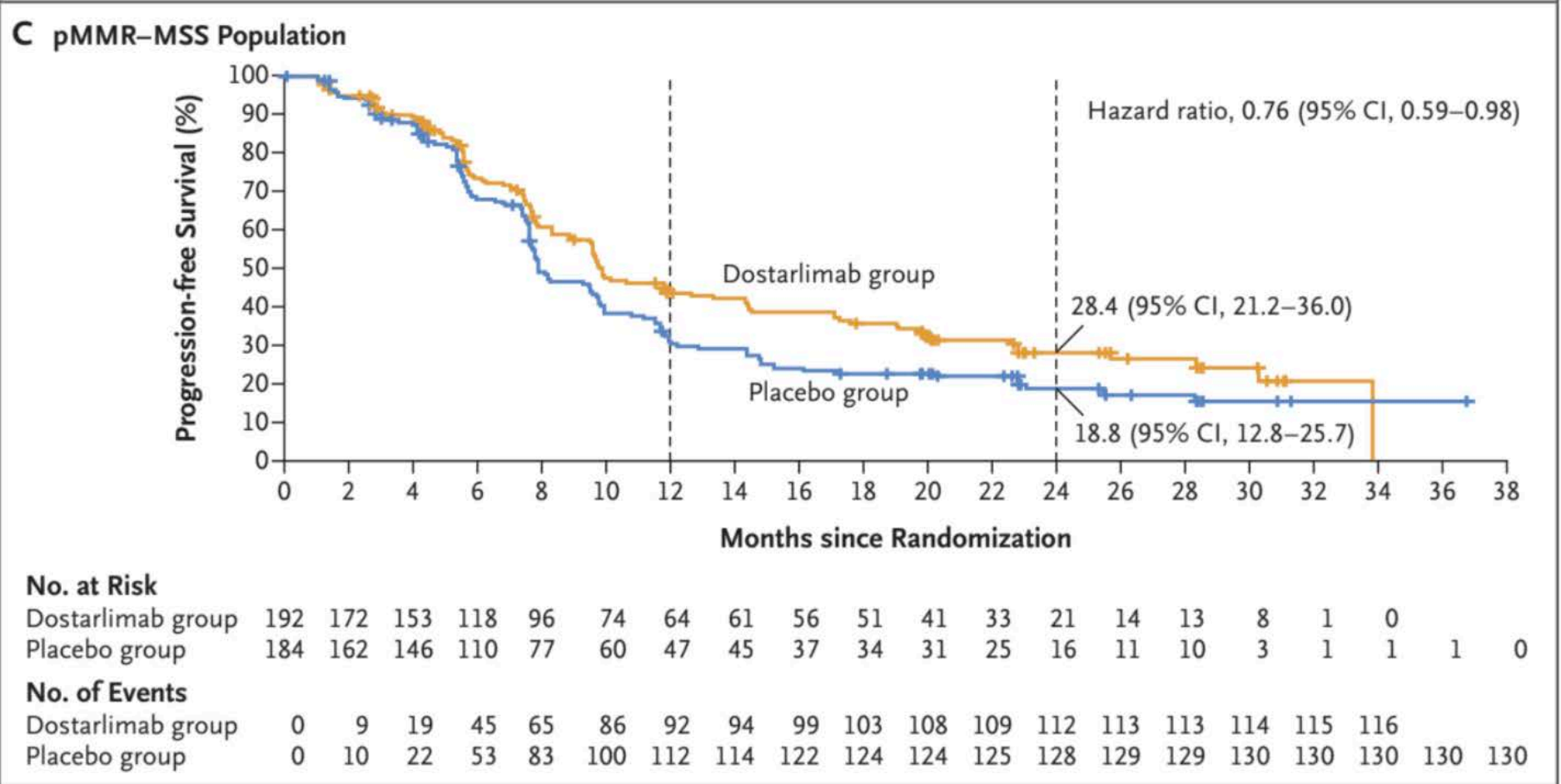
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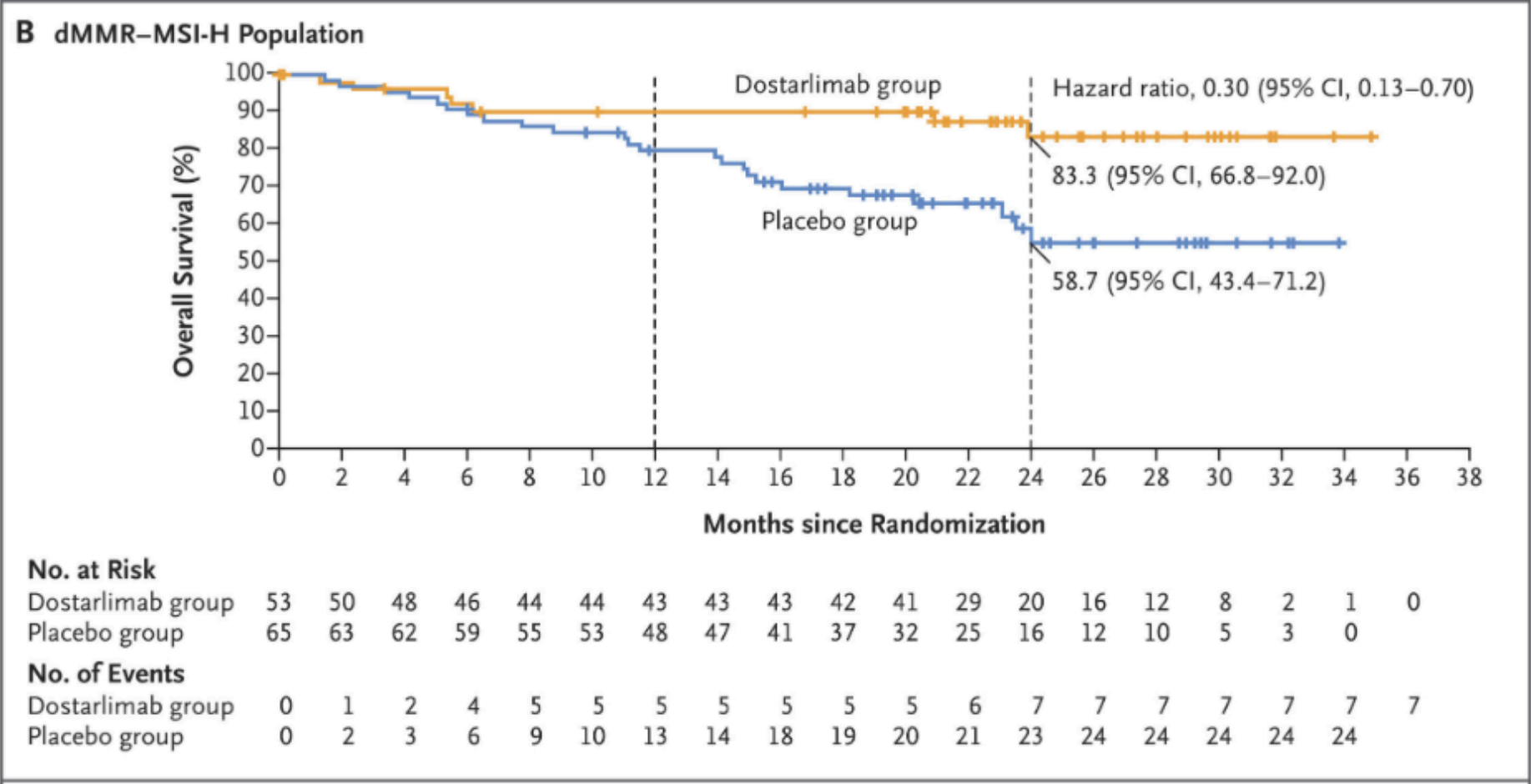




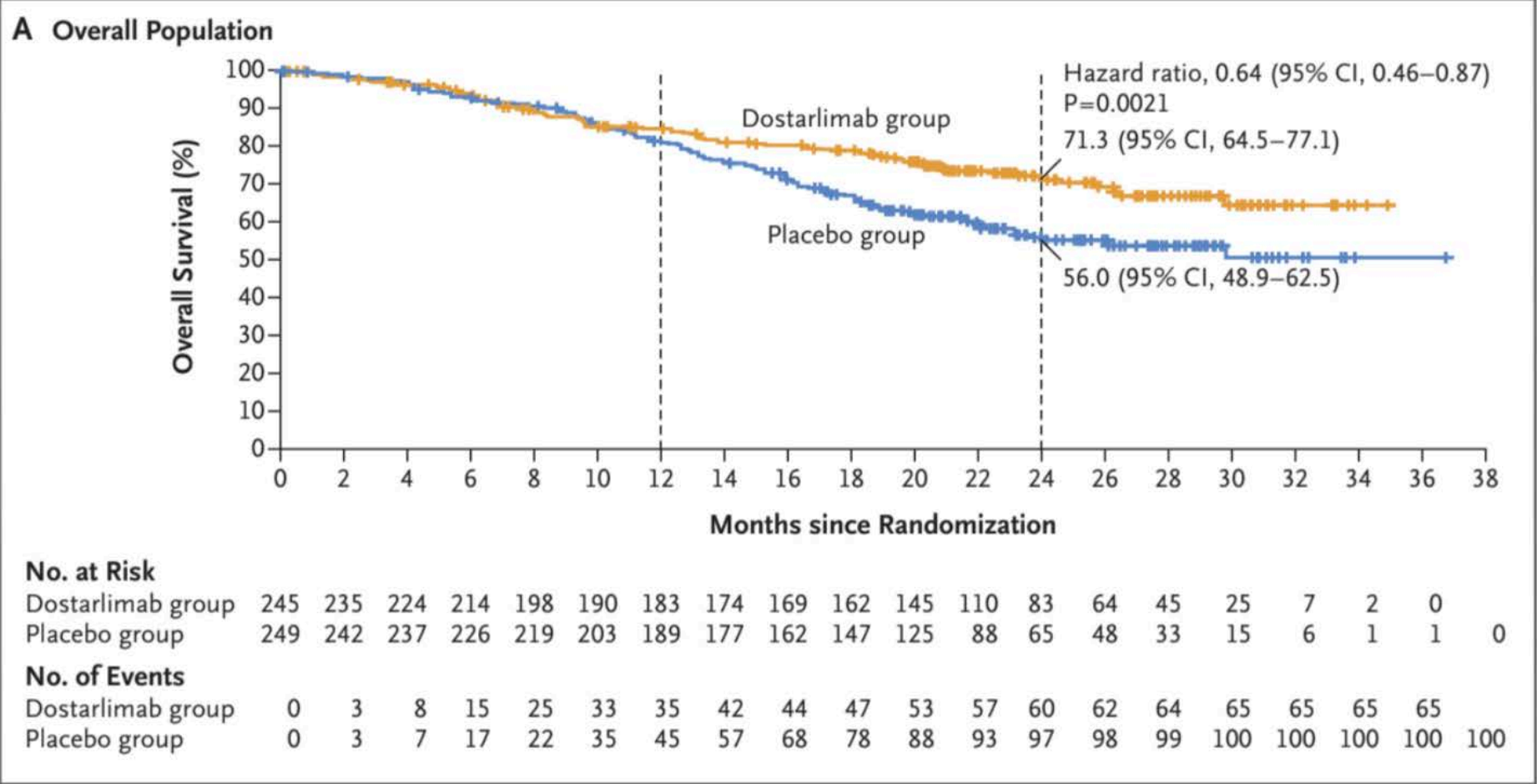
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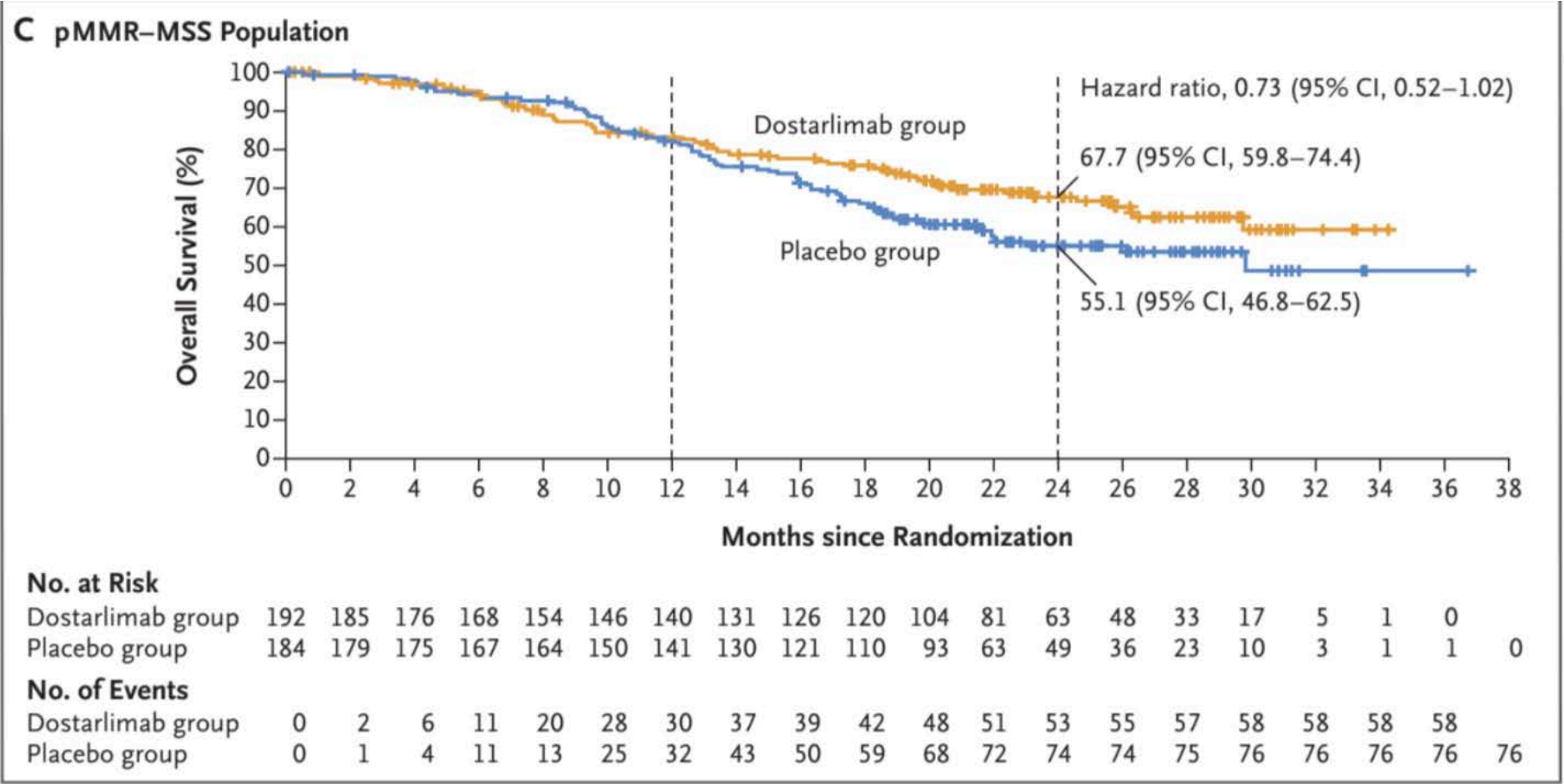
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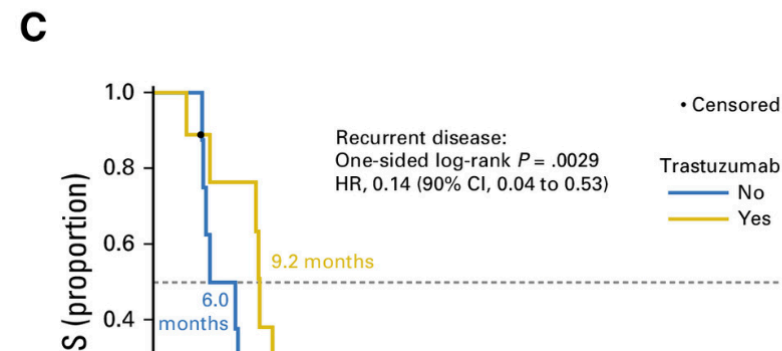
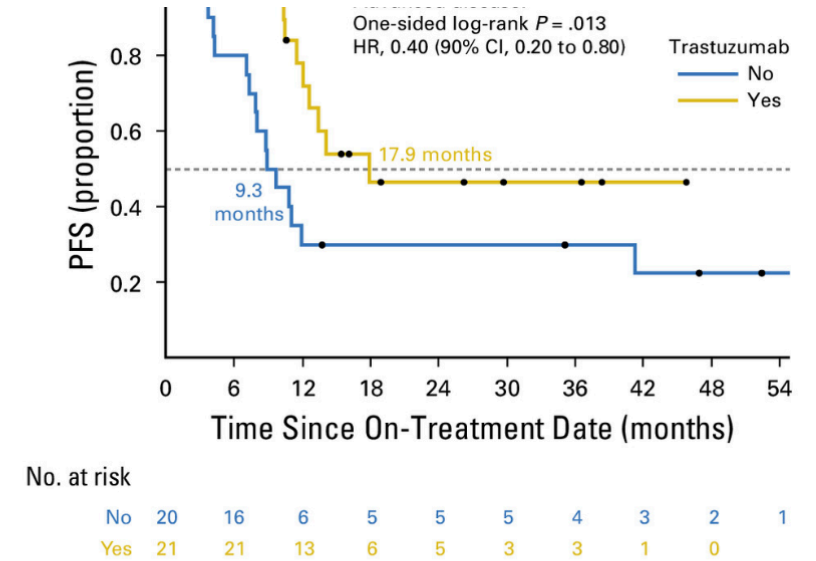
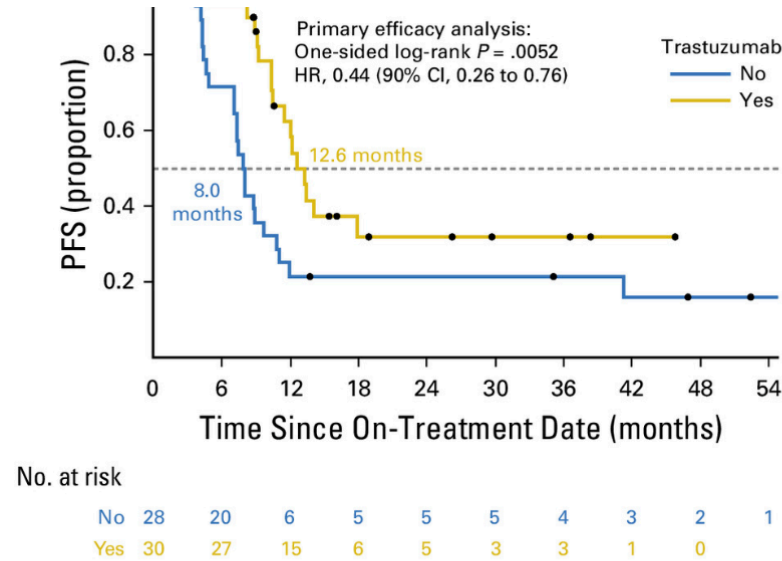
# Trastuzumab, Fader et al., JCO 2018

Phase II trial with 62 pts,  
stage III-IV or recurrent  
HER2 positive uterine  
serous

Carbo/taxol vs  
Carbo/taxol/trastuzumab  
+ trastuzumab  
maintenance

PFS 9.3 vs 17.7m  
significant

OS 24.4 vs 29.6m  
significant





## Recurrence

## Keynote 775 (Makker et al, NEJM 2022)

Phase 3 RCT study of 827 pts with advanced, recurrent or metastatic endometrial cancer (at least 1 prior line of chemo)

697 pts MMRp, 130 MMRd

Randomized to Pembro/Lenvatinib vs physician choice (Adria or weekly taxol)

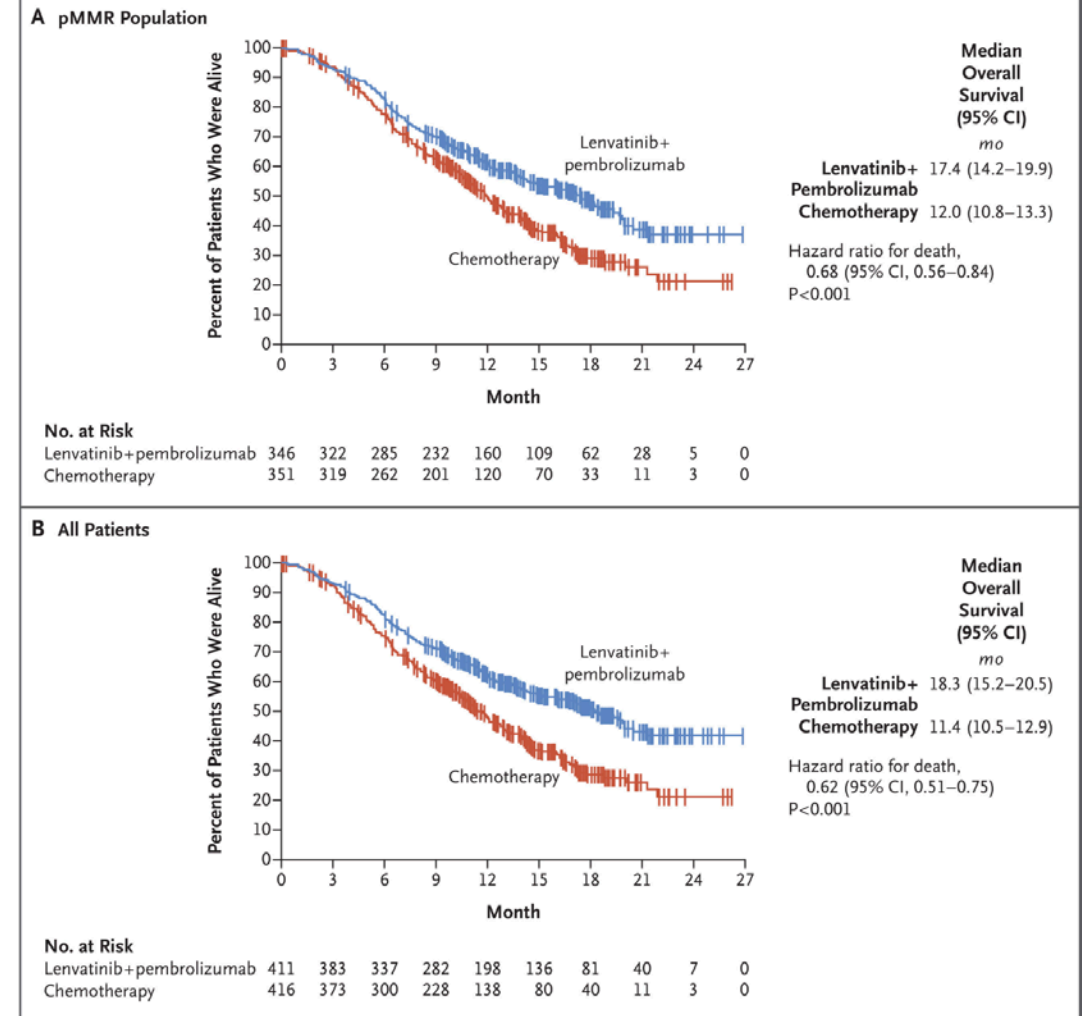
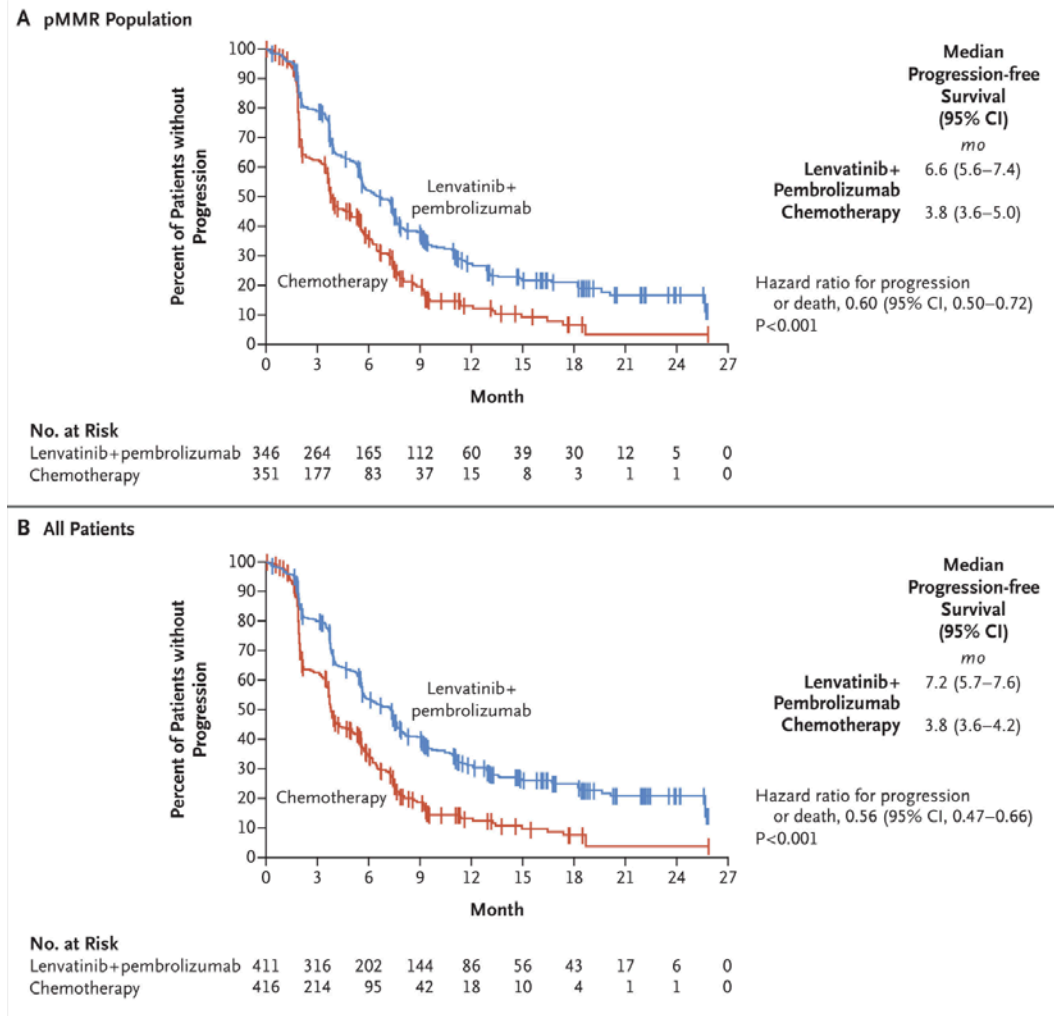
Primary endpoints PFS and OS

ORR 31.9% (5.2% CR) vs 14.7% (2.6% CR)

Median dose Lenvatinib 14mg



# Keynote 775



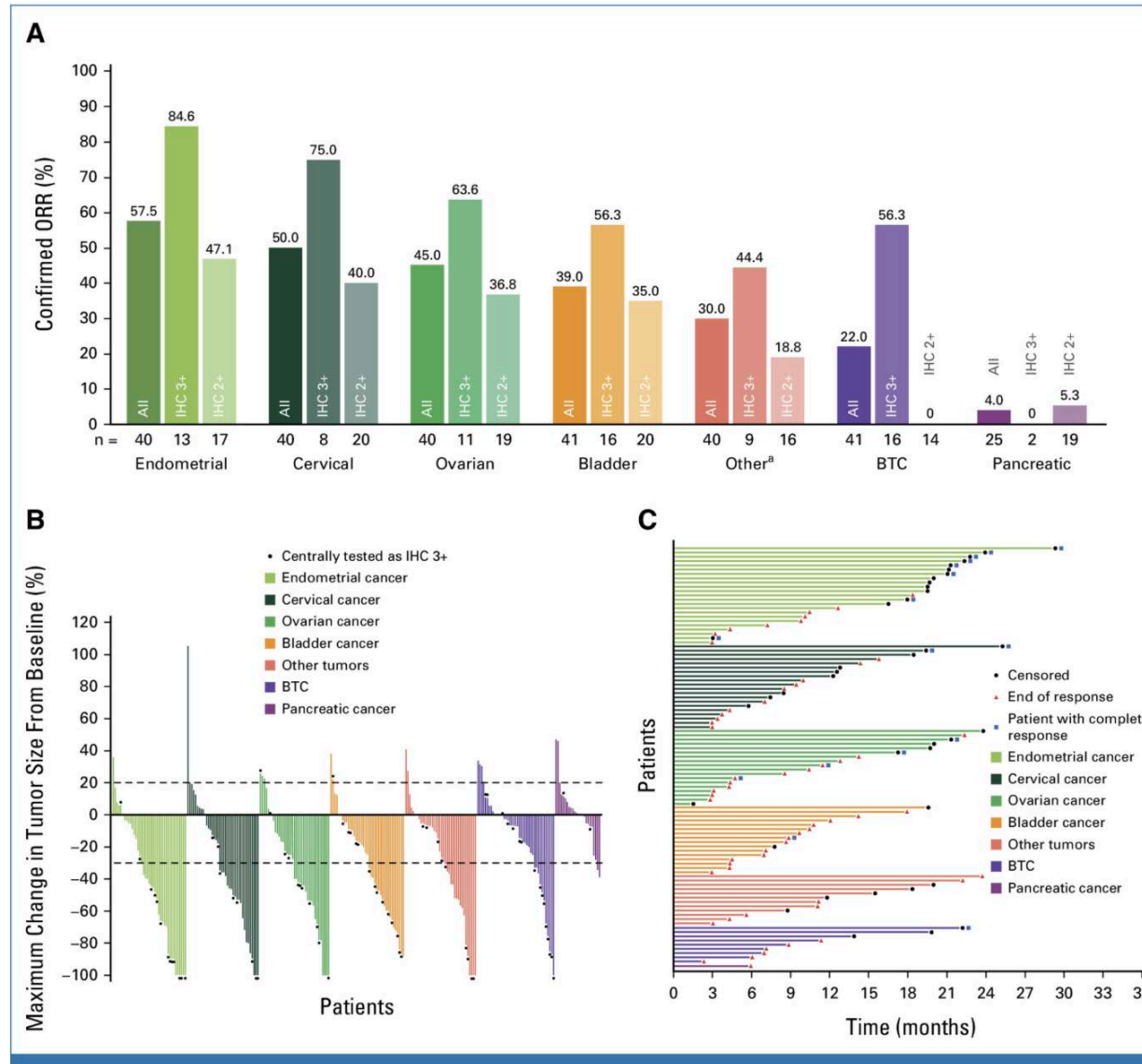
# DESTINY- Pan tumor 02, Meric-Bernstam et al, JCO 2023

Phase II open-label trial of 267 pts (40 endometrial) with HER2+ advanced or recurrent solid tumors

Using ADC Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd)

Primary endpoint ORR

ORR in endometrial cohort 57.5%, Median DOR not reached in endometrial cohort



# ENGOT- EN3/PALEO, Mirza et al, Gyn Onc 2024

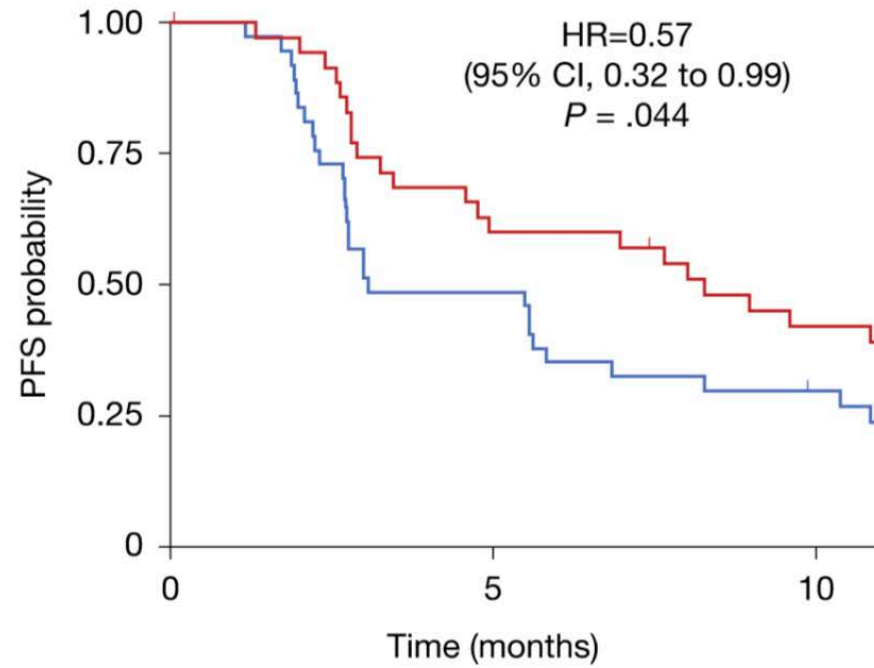
Phase II placebo-controlled RCT of letrozole + palbociclib or placebo in 77 patients

Endometrioid endometrial cancer, ER + ( $\geq 10\%$ ) advanced/recurrent

Primary endpoint PFS

PFS 8.3 vs 3.1m (palbociclib vs placebo), no OS benefit noted

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No. at risk

Palbociclib + letrozole 36

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14

Placebo + letrozole 37

18

10

## GOG 153 (Fiorica et al, Gyn Onc 2004)

Phase II trial 56 pts with recurrent or advanced endometrial cancer alternating Megace/ Tamoxifen

No prior systemic therapy (including hormones), 59% prior RT

80% recurrent, 56% endometrioid

27% ORR, 21% with CR

Median duration of response 28m

PFS 2.7m, OS 14m

9% with VTE

# Everolimus and Letrozole (Slomovitz, JCO 2015)

38 pts Phase II with progressive or recurrent endometrial cancer

Up to 2 prior lines of therapy

29% serous/clear cell/ mixed histology, excluded carc sarc

CBR 40%, ORR 32%, CR 26%

No responses in serous carcinoma

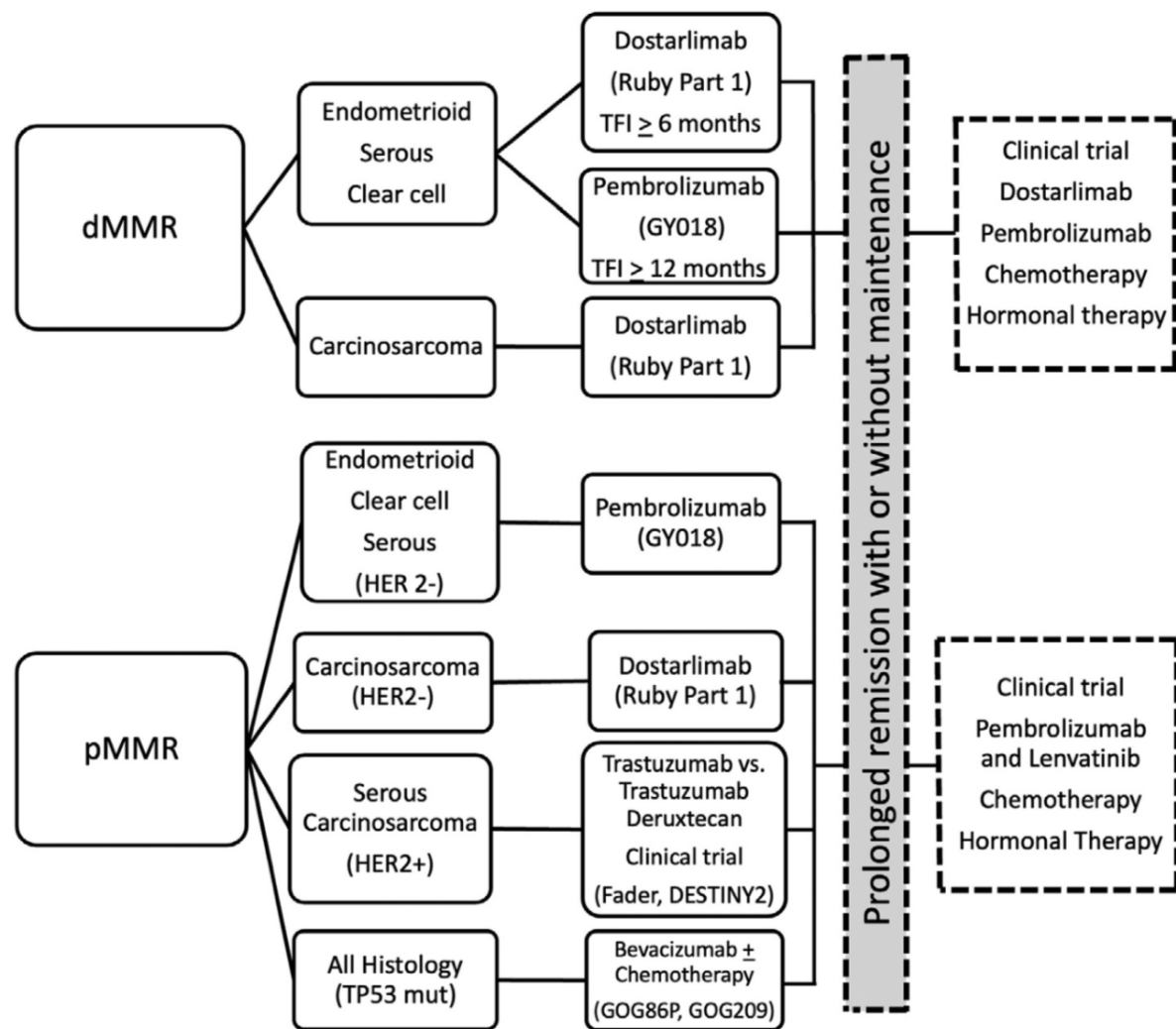
More effective in patients on metformin

Median OS 14m



# Endocrine therapies

Treatment	ORR	Range
Hydroxyprogesterone (Delalutin)	29%	9-34%
Medroxyprogesterone (Provera)	25%	14-53%
Megesterol acetate (Megace)	20%	11-56%
Tamoxifen	18%	0-53%
Leuprolide	35%	
Everolimus + Letrozole	24-32%	
Megace + Tamoxifen	27%	
Temsirolimus	4%	
Temsirolimus + Bev	25%	

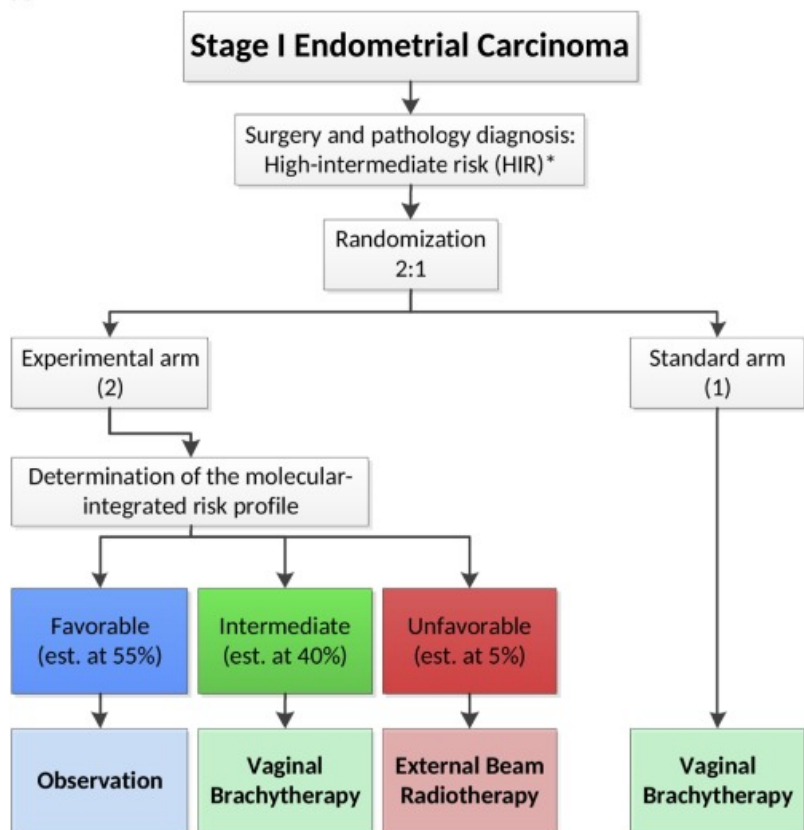




## **Emerging therapies**

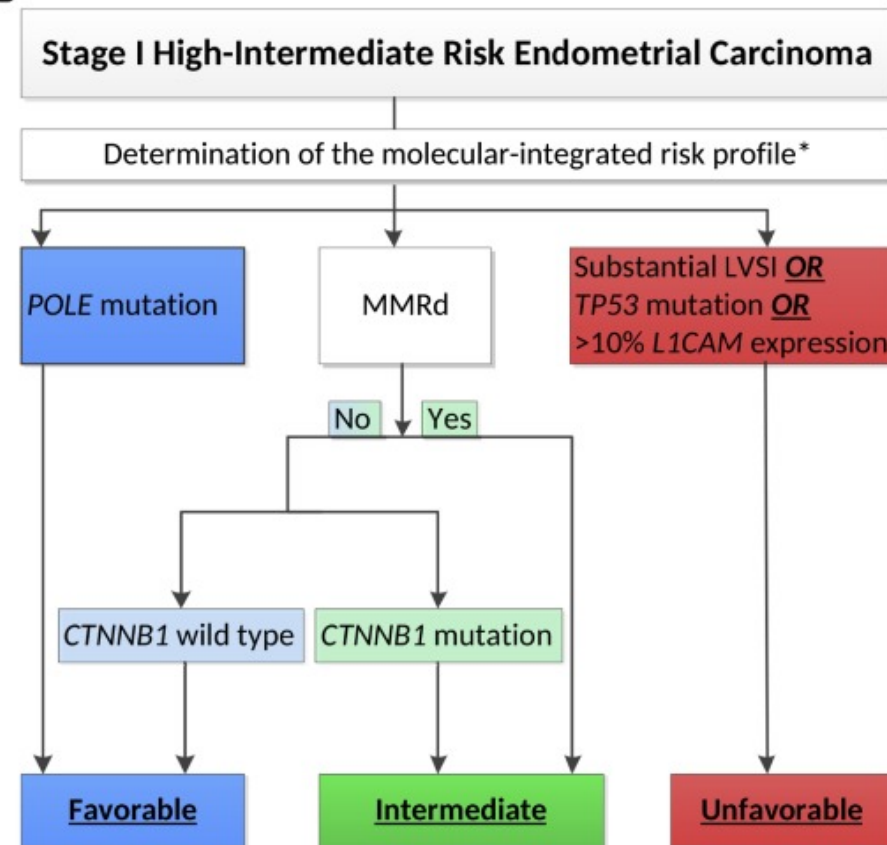
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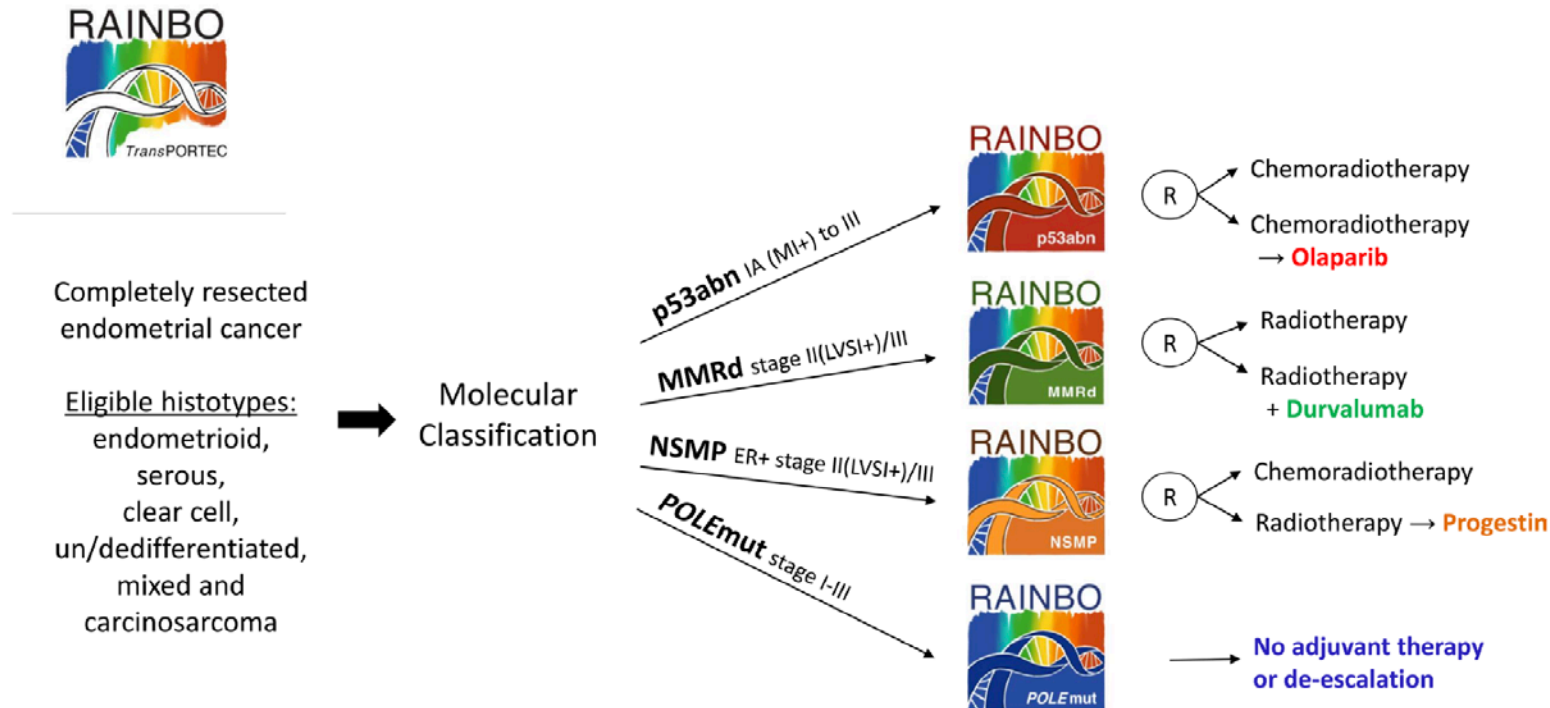
\*High-intermediate risk (HIR) endometrial cancer: stage IA (with invasion) and grade 3; stage IB, grade 1 or 2; with either age  $\geq 60$  or substantial lymph-vascular space invasion (LVSI); stage IB, grade 3 without LVSI; or stage II (microscopic) with grade 1. Est = estimated.

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\*Patients with multiple characteristics (double classifiers) were designated intermediate risk. MMRd = Mismatch repair-deficiency. For details, see text.

# RAINBO



**Figure 1** Design of the RAINBO program. ER, estrogen receptor status; LVSI, lymphovascular space invasion; MMRd, mismatch repair deficient; NSMP, no specific molecular profile; p53abn, p53 abnormal; POLEmut, DNA polymerase-ε mutated; R, randomization; RAINBO, Refining Adjuvant treatment IN endometrial cancer Based On molecular features.

# Other upcoming therapy strategies

- Antibody-drug conjugates
- Immune checkpoint inhibition
- PARP inhibition
- CDK4/6 inhibition with aromatase inhibitors
- Exportin-1 inhibition in MMRp/p53wt patients



**Questions?**



