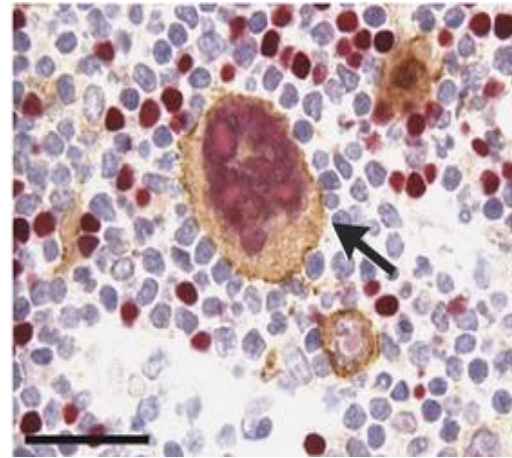
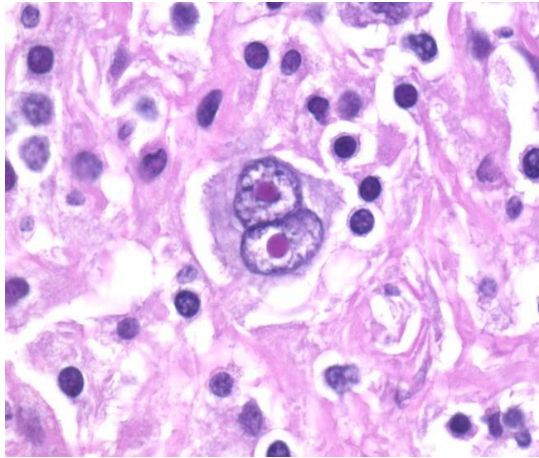


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Pembrolizumab: Hodgkin's and Beyond



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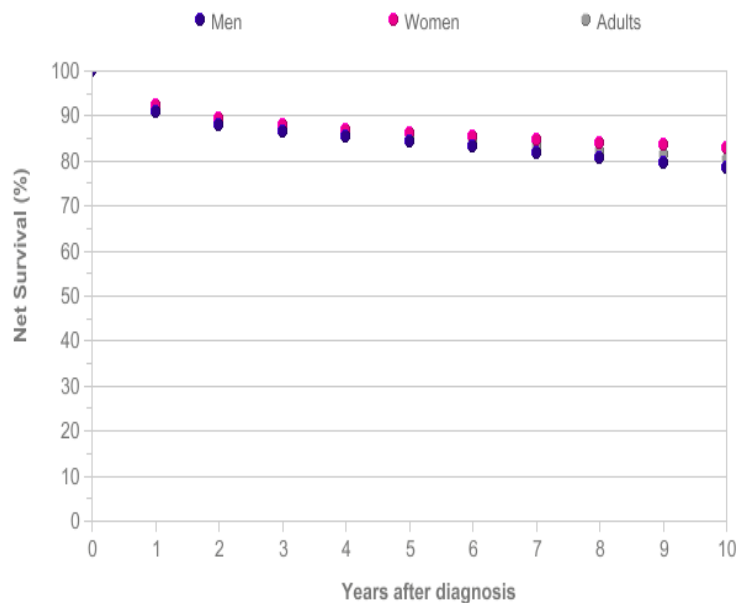
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Hodgkin Lymphoma: Unmet Need

Treatment outcomes for advanced cHL²

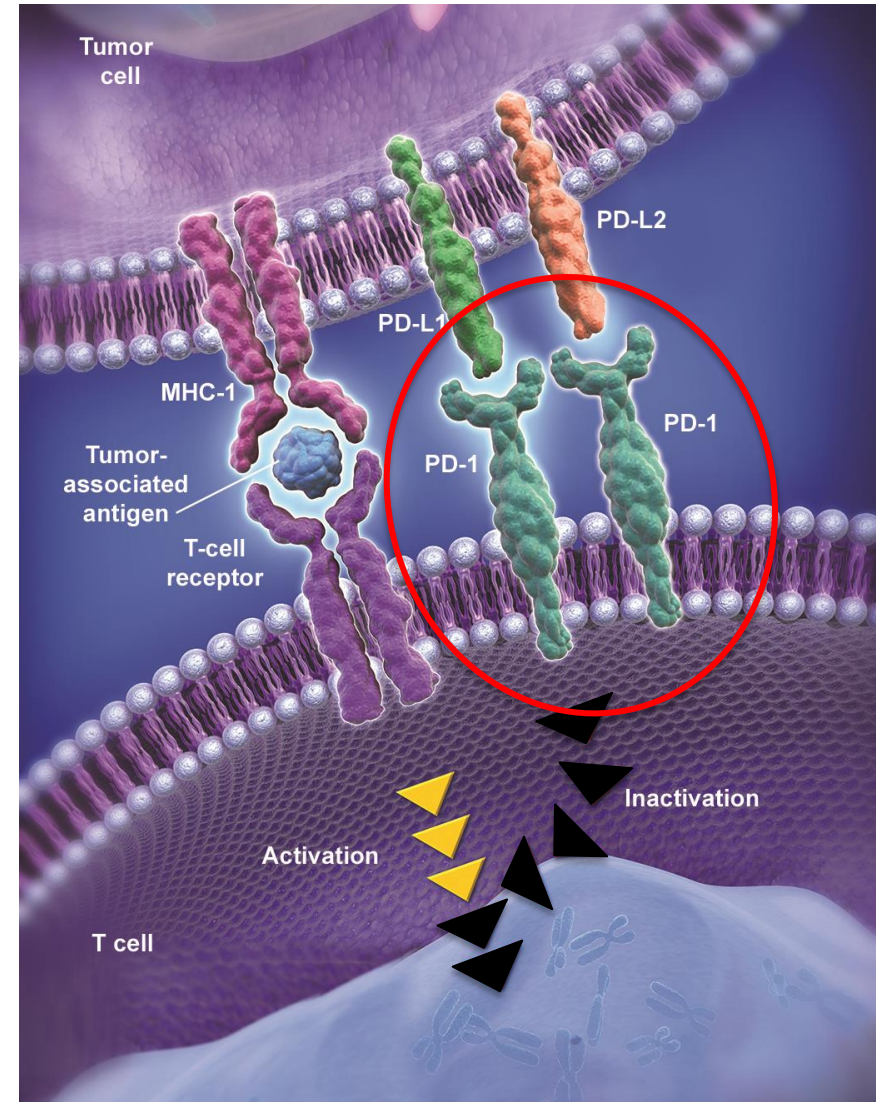
ABVD +/- XRT:	73% long term remissions 27% relapse / fail therapy
HD chemo + ASCT:	<u>33% salvaged</u> 82% long term remissions
unmet need	≈ 18% of patients with HL

Net Survival up to Ten Years after Diagnosis, Adults (Aged 15-99), England and Wales: 2010-2011¹



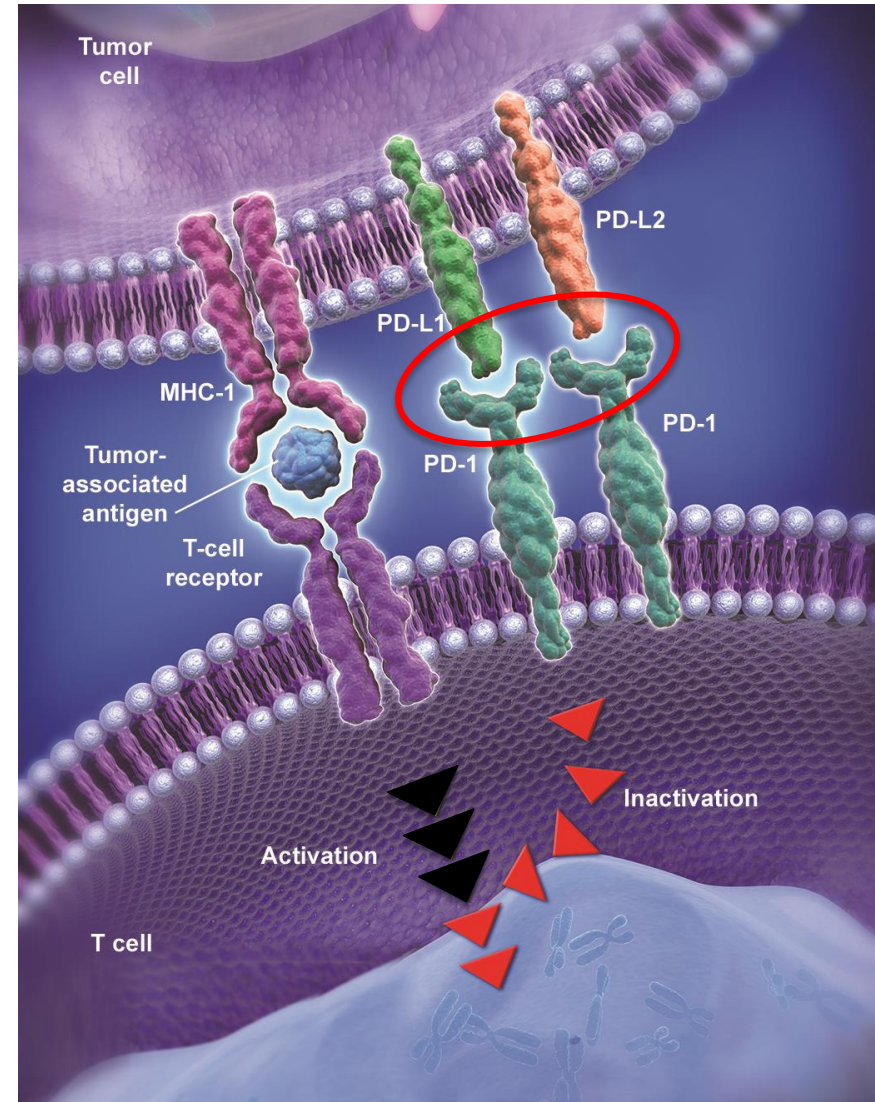
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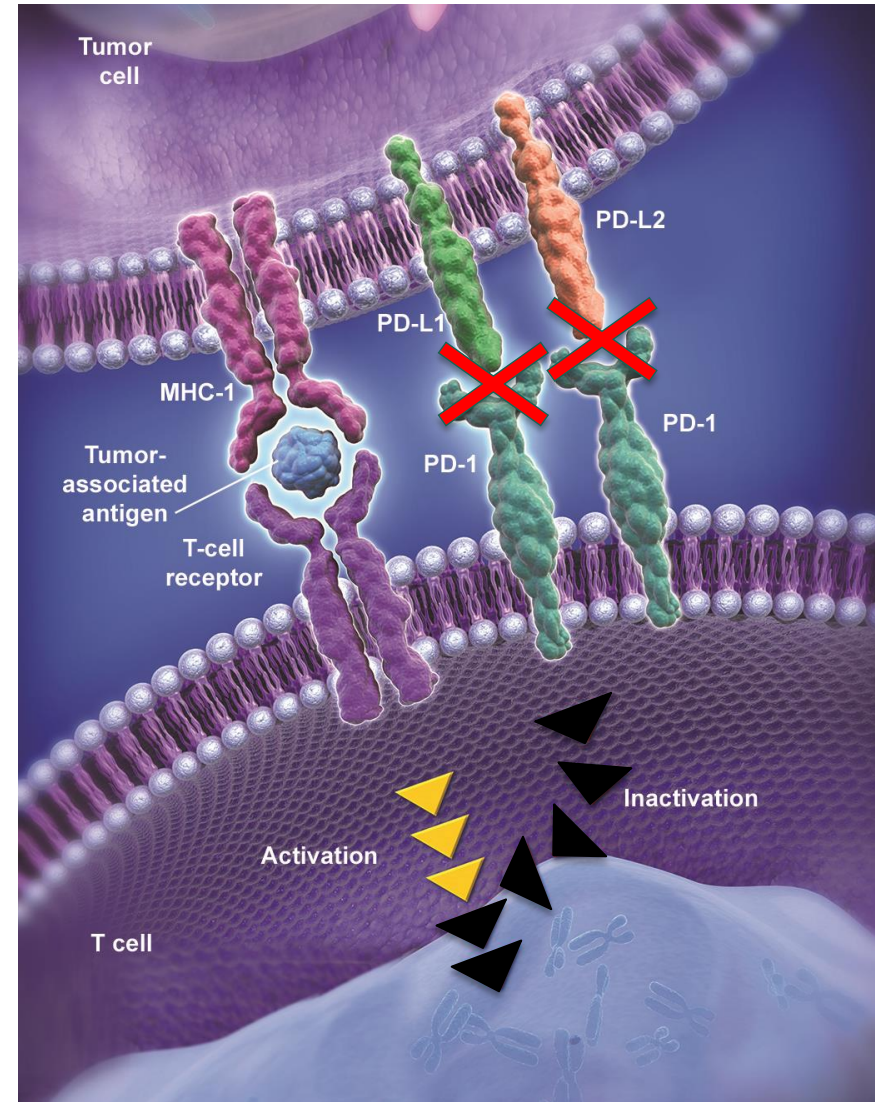
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- **PD-1 blockade through mAb therapy can restore effective anti-tumor immunity**
- **Pembrolizumab is a humanized anti-PD1 mAb with activity in several solid tumors**

Topalian et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2012.
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Robert et al. *Lancet.* 2014.



PD-1 and Hodgkin Lymphoma

- Classical HL (cHL) is characterized pathologically by a failed immune response
 - HL frequently harbors amplification at 9p24.1 leading to overexpression of PD-L1 and PD-L2
 - HL may have a genetically driven vulnerability to PD-1 blockade
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- cHL independent expansion cohort in KEYNOTE-013, a phase 1 study of pembrolizumab in hematologic malignancies

PD-1 Blockade With Pembrolizumab in Patients With Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma After Brentuximab Vedotin Failure: Safety, Efficacy, and Biomarker Assessment

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KEYNOTE-013 Study

Overall Study

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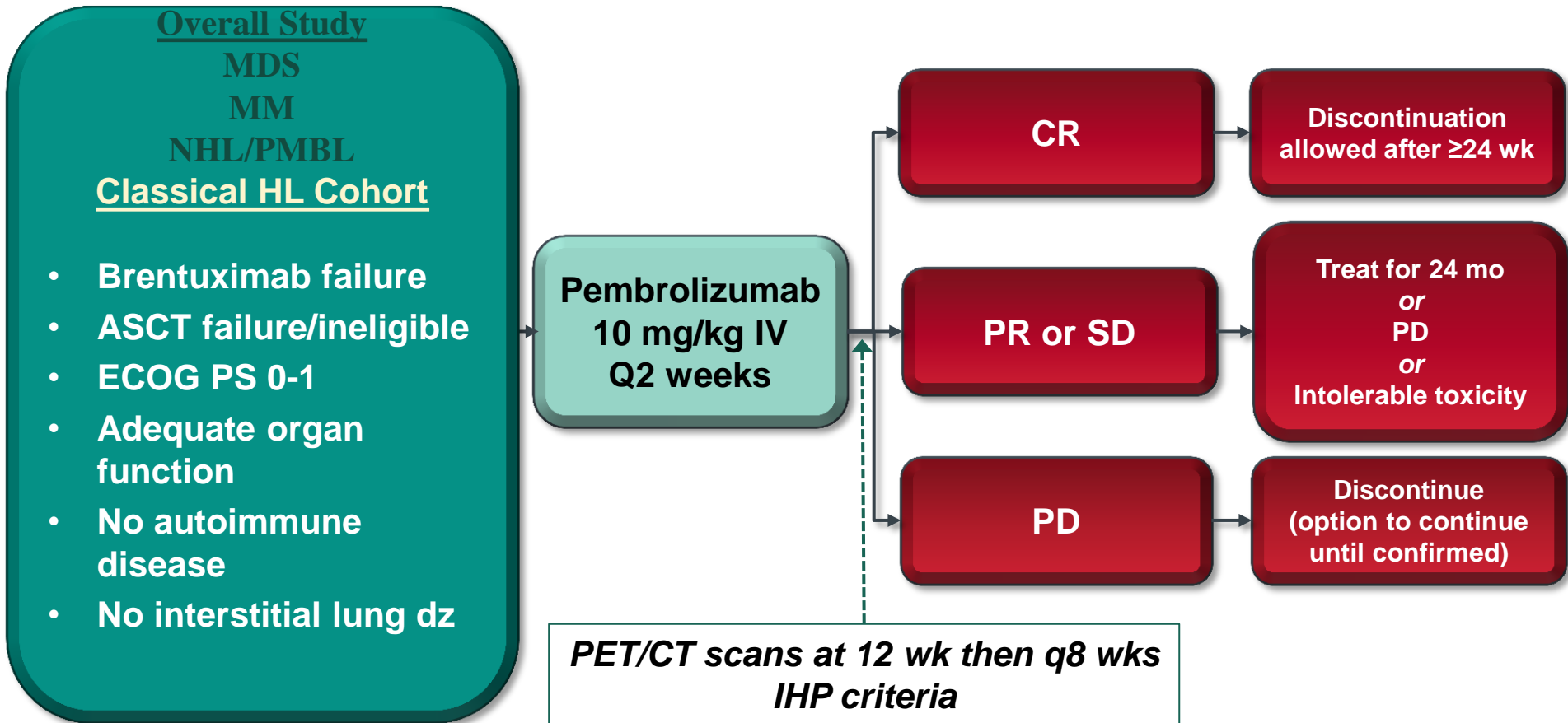
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Classical HL Cohort

KEYNOTE-013 Study

Armand *et al* December 7, 2015



Primary endpoints: Safety, CR rate

Secondary endpoints: OR, DOR, PFS, OS, biomarkers

Patient Characteristics

Overall Study
MDS
MM
NHL/PMBL
Classical HL Cohort

31 patients

Characteristic (N = 31)	n (%)
Age, median (range)	32 (20-67)
Nodular sclerosis	30 (97)
Mixed cellularity	1 (3)
Prior radiation therapy	10 (32)
Prior systemic therapy	
2-4	14 (45)
≥5	17 (55)
Prior brentuximab failure	31 (100)
Prior ASCT failure	22 (71)
Transplant ineligible/refused	9 (29)

Safety

Treatment-Related AEs Any Grade in ≥ 3 Patients	n (%)
Any Related AE	21 (68)
Gastrointestinal	11 (36)
Diarrhea	5 (16)
Nausea	4 (13)
General	9 (29)
Endocrine	6 (19)
Hypothyroidism	5 (16)
Investigations	6 (19)
Metabolism and nutrition	5 (16)
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Treatment-Related AEs Grade 3-5	n (%)
Any Grade 3 Related AE	5 (16)
ALT and AST increased	1 (3)
Colitis	1 (3)
Nephrotic syndrome	1 (3)
Back pain	1 (3)
Joint swelling	1 (3)
Axillary pain	1 (3)

No grade 4 related AE

No fatal related AE

AEs leading to discontinuation

Grade 2 pneumonitis

Grade 3 nephrotic syndrome

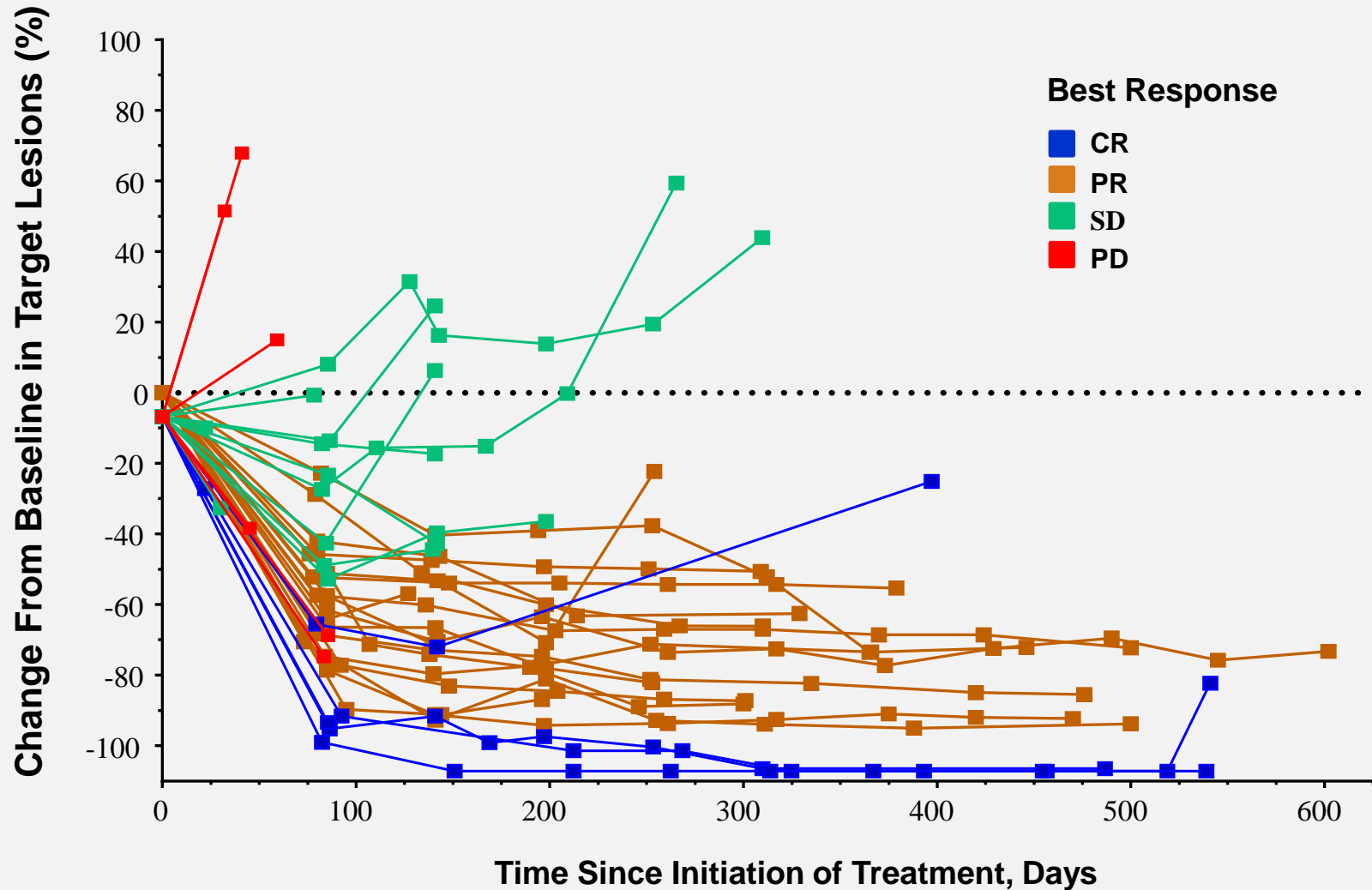
Efficacy

	Brentuximab Failure		
	Transplant Failure N = 22	Transplant Ineligible/ Refused N = 9	Total N = 31
Overall Response Rate	16 (73%)	4 (44%)	20 (65%)
Complete Remission	3 (14%)	2 (22%)	5 (16%)
Partial Remission	13 (59%)	2 (22%)	15 (48%)
Stable Disease	4 (18%)	3 (33%)	7 (23%)
Progressive Disease	2 (9%)	2 (22%)	4 (13%)

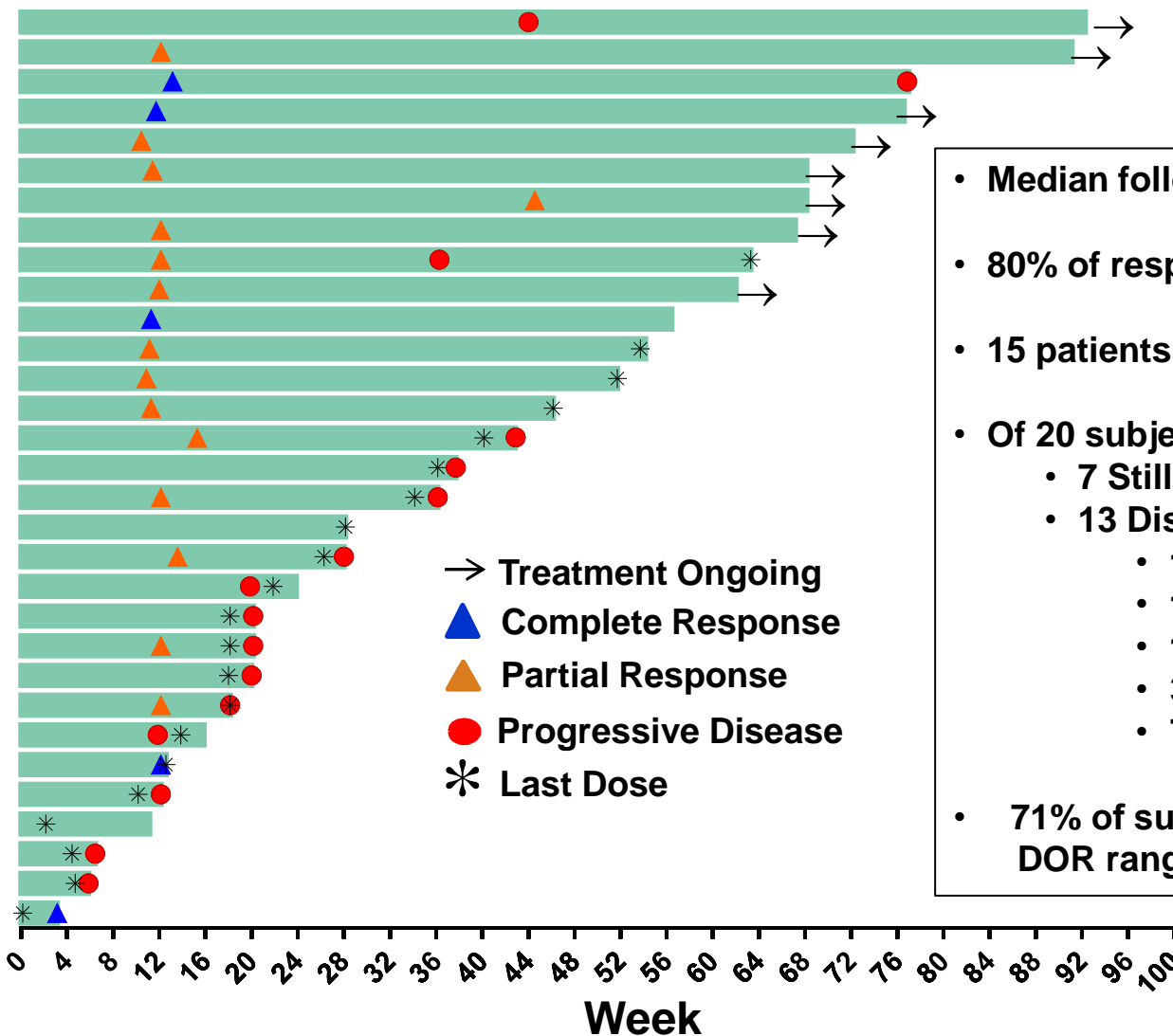
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Change From Baseline in Target Lesions

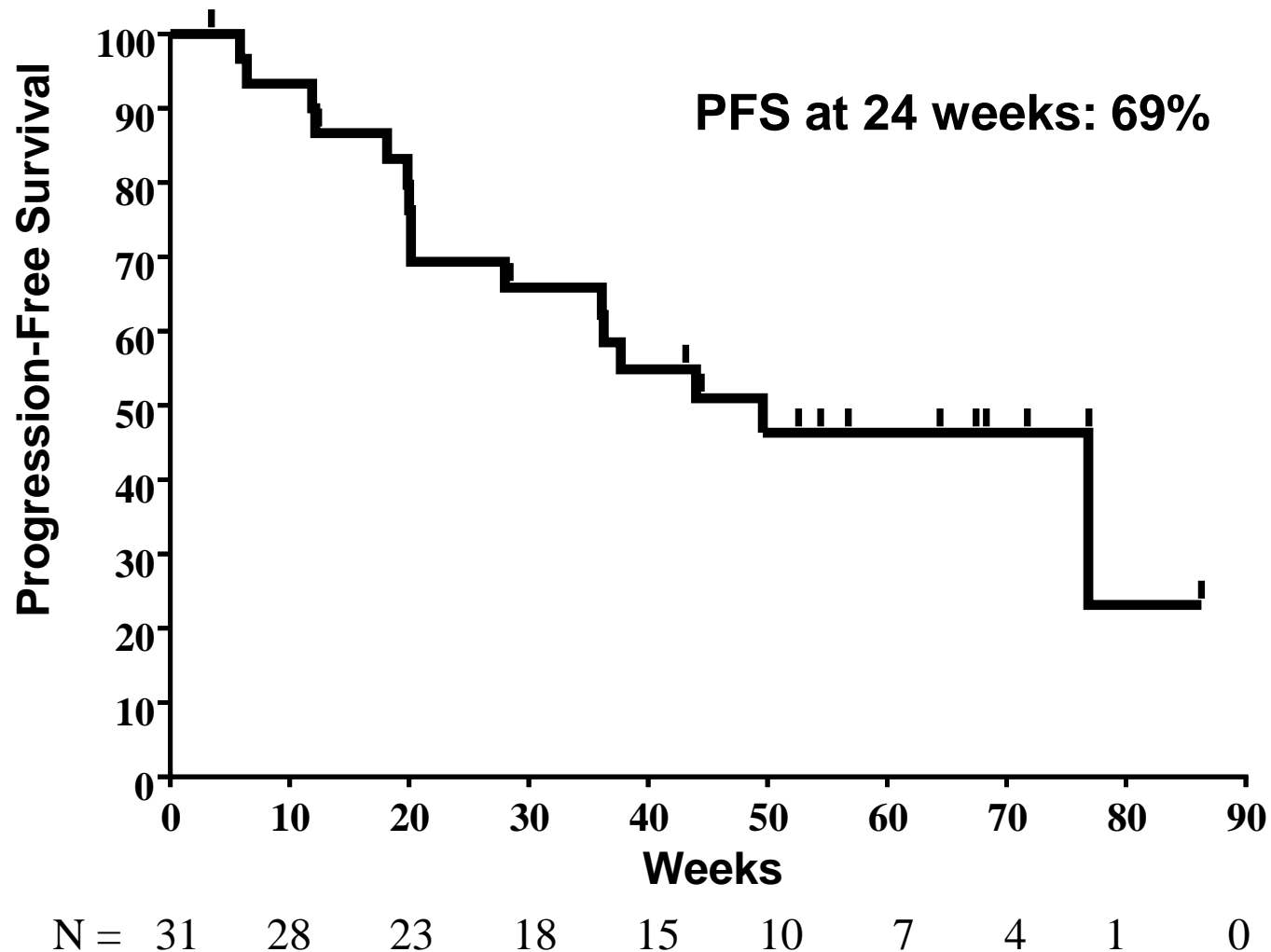


Time Since Initiation of Treatment



- Median follow-up for survivors: ~18 months
- 80% of responses occurred by 12 weeks
- 15 patients (48%) progressed
- Of 20 subjects who achieved CR or PR:
 - 7 Still on treatment
 - 13 Discontinued treatment:
 - 1 CR no longer on treatment
 - 1 PR switched treatments
 - 1 adverse event
 - 3 allogeneic transplant
 - 7 (35%) progressive disease
- 71% of subjects have a DOR ≥ 24 weeks
 DOR range 0.14+ to 74+ weeks

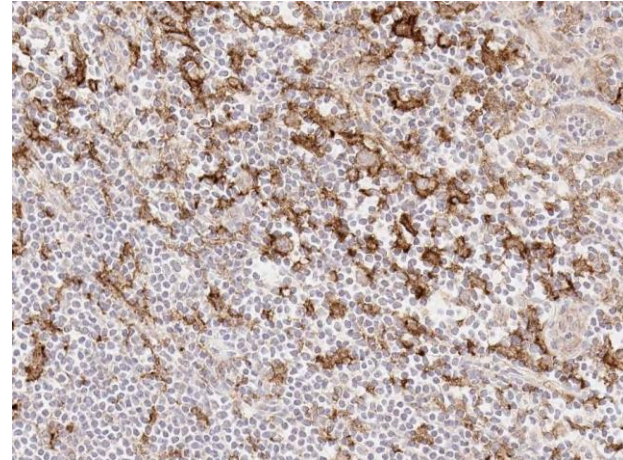
Progression-Free Survival



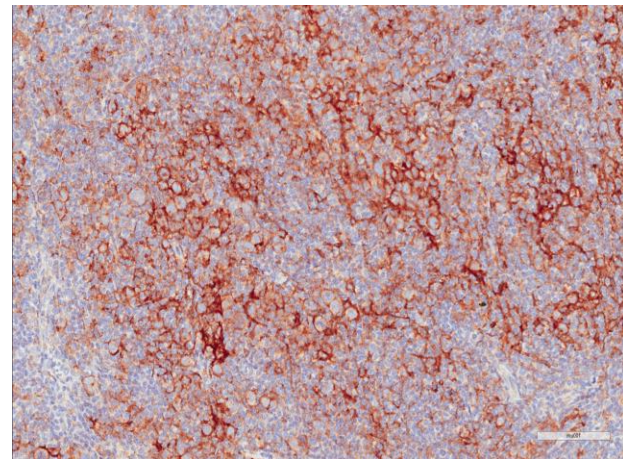
Immunohistochemistry

- **16 samples were evaluable at screening for PD-L1**
 - **15 (94%) were PD-L1 positive in tumor cells**
- **10 samples were evaluable at screening for PD-L2**
 - **9 (90%) were PD-L2 positive**

PD-L1



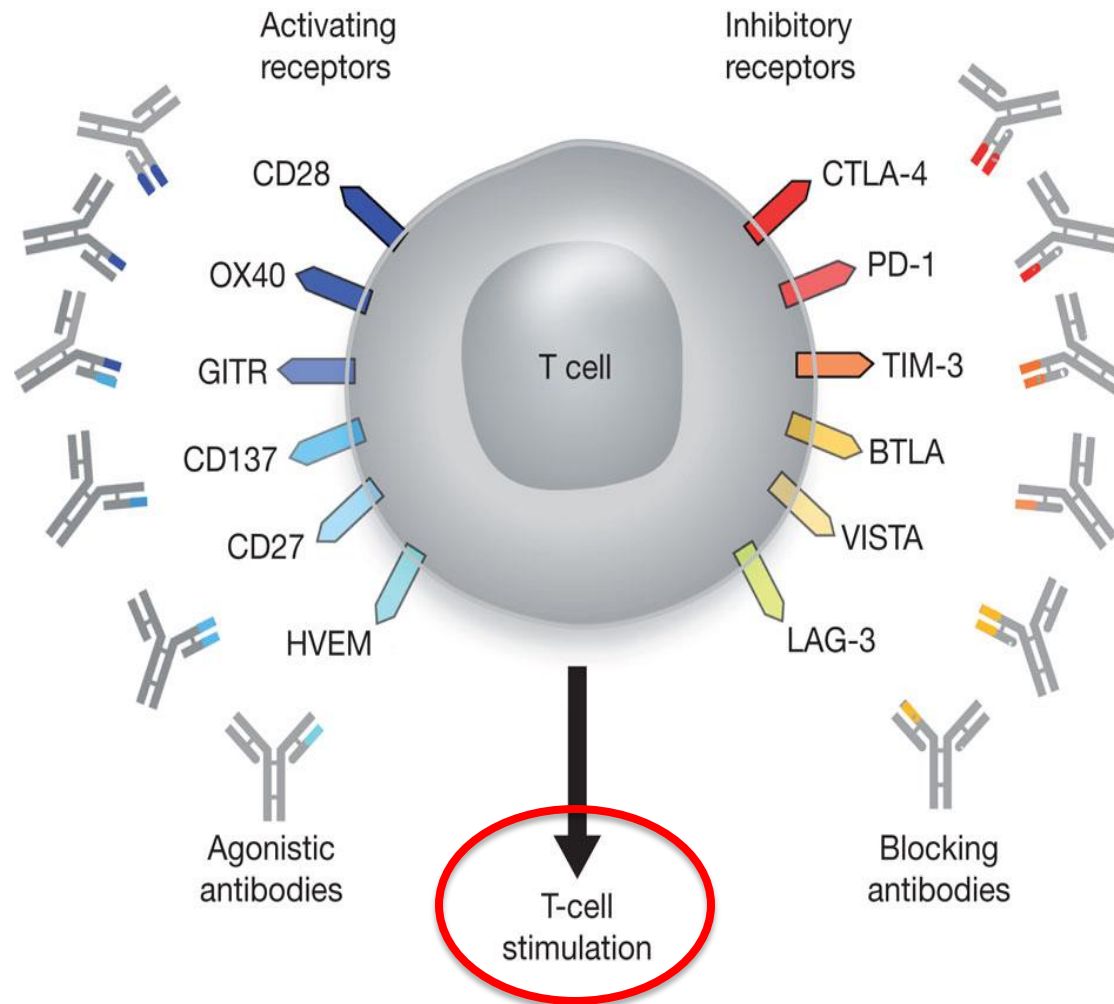
PD-L2



Summary and Conclusions

- Pembrolizumab is associated with an acceptable safety profile in cHL
 - Pembrolizumab has high anti-tumor activity with durable responses in heavily pre-treated patients with brentuximab failure
 - ORR for entire HL cohort = 65%
 - ORR for transplant failure = 73%
 - ORR for transplant ineligible = 44%
 - 71% of subjects have a DOR \geq 24 weeks
 - Exploratory analyses (flow cytometry and NanoString) suggest that pembrolizumab induces increases in T and NK cell numbers and upregulates T-cell / IFN- γ signaling pathways (data not shown)
 - High prevalence of PD-L1/L2 positivity in HL supports notion of genetic vulnerability to PD-1 blockade
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- Supports further development of pembrolizumab in cHL

PD-1 Blockade + CAR T Cells ?



CTL019 T Cells in Relapsed or Refractory CD19+ NHL: Study Design

Enrollment started Feb 2014

Key eligibility criteria

- Adult histologically proven CD19+ relapsed or refractory DLBCL and FL
- r/r DLBCL after ASCT or ineligible for ASCT; transformation from CLL/SLL or FL allowed
- r/r FL with ≥ 2 prior CIT regimens and PD < 2 years after prior therapy
- Measurable disease
- ECOG PS 0 or 1

Single IV dose of CTL019 cells, 1 - 4 days after lymphodepletion chemotherapy

Immunophenotypic, cytokine and molecular studies performed at pre-specified times after T cell infusion

Initial tumor response assessed 3 months after infusion using IWG response criteria

Collection of PB and BM samples

Primary Objectives: ORR at 3 months; determine response rate by lymphoma histology

Secondary endpoints: Determine CTL019 cell manufacturing feasibility; safety; best response; PFS; in vivo expansion of CTL019 cells; effects on B cells and CD19 expression in vivo

Response Rates: Diffuse Large B Cell Lymphoma

DLBCL: ORR at 3 months 47% (N = 15)	DLBCL: Best Response Rate 47% (N = 15)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- CR: 3- PR: 4- PD: 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- CR: 6- PR: 1- PD: 8

- 3 patients with PRs by CT criteria at 3 months converted to CRs by 6 months
- 1 patient with PR at 3 months had PD at 6 months
- Response duration is 86% at median follow-up 17 months (n = 7)

Response Rates: Follicular Lymphoma

FL: ORR at 3 Months 77% (N = 13)	FL: Best Response Rate 77% (N = 13)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- CR: 6- PR: 4- PD: 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- CR: 9- PR: 1- PD: 3

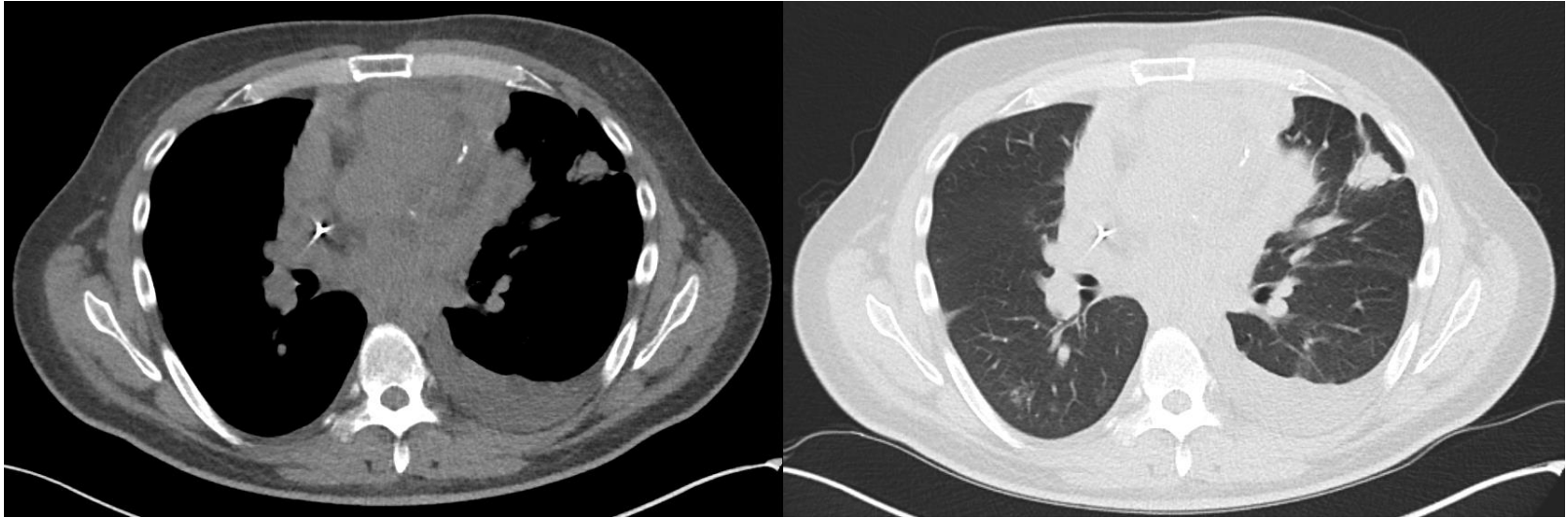
- 3 patients with PRs by CT/MR criteria at 3 months converted to CRs by 6 months
- 1 patient with PR at 3 months who remained in PR at 6 and 9 months had PD at approximately 12 months
- Response duration is 83% at median follow-up 17 months (n = 10)

13413-39: DLBCL

- 35 year old man with primary refractory DLBCL
 - pulmonary nodules, bulky mediastinal mass, pericardial and mesenteric involvement
- Past therapies included:
 - DA-REPOCH (PR)
 - R-ICE x2 (PR) + BCV-ASCT followed by consolidative mediastinal radiation therapy
 - brentuximab vedotin + bendamustine
- Lymphodepleting chemotherapy: 10/7/15 - 10/10/15
 - cyclophosphamide 300 mg/m² IV q 12 hrs x 6 doses
- CTL019 infusion: 10/16/15

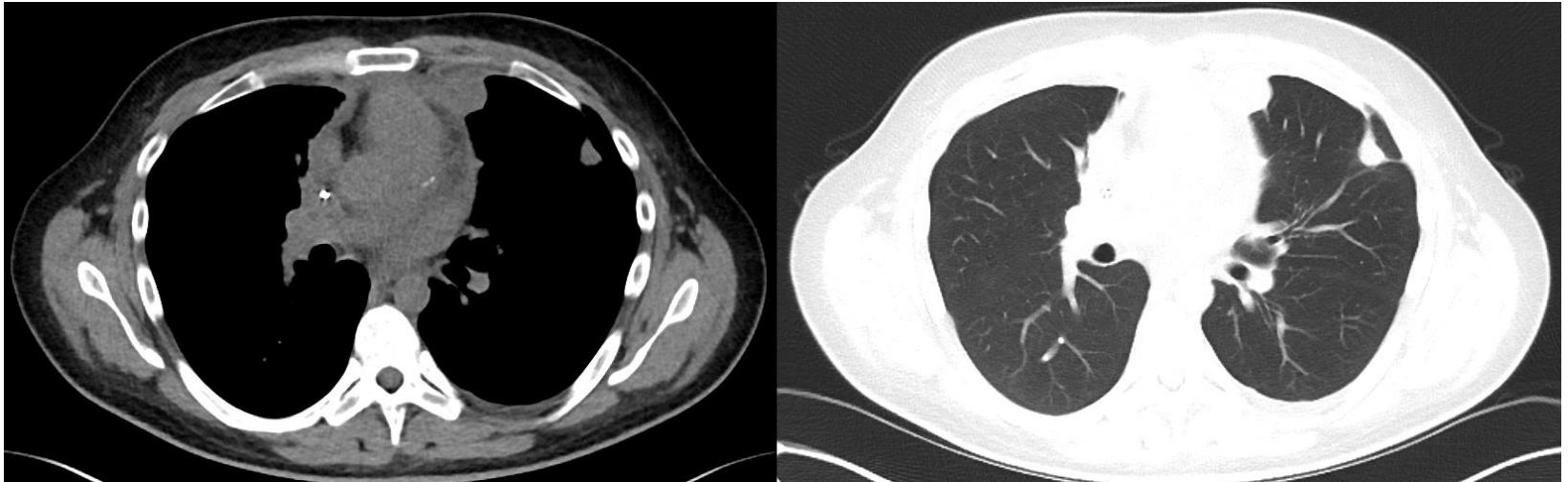
13413-39: DLBCL

November 11, 2015: Day +25 CTL019



→ Nov.11: Pembrolizumab

November 30, 2015

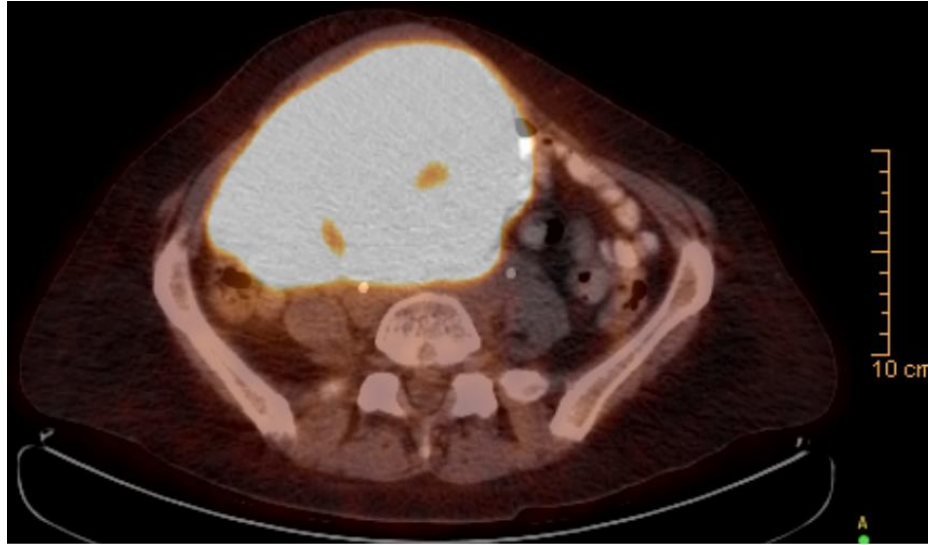


13413-34: FL

- 34 year old woman with FL, grade 2
- Past therapies included:
 - rituximab - CVP + maintenance rituximab
 - rituximab - chlorambucil - prednisone
 - Zevalin
 - R-CHOP
 - cyclophosphamide - etoposide
 - R-EPOCH
 - allogeneic bone marrow transplant
 - lenalidomide - rituximab
 - Ibrutinib
 - carboplatin - gemcitabine
- Lymphodepleting chemotherapy: 7/20/15
 - carboplatin - gemcitabine
- CTL019 infusion: 7/29/15

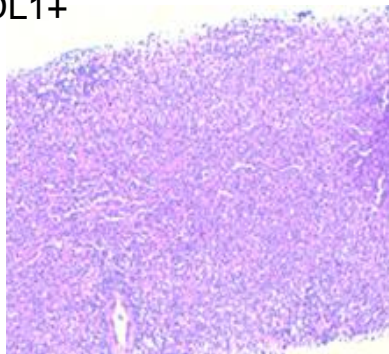
13413-34: FL Transformed to “Double Hit” DLBCL

October 15, 2015: Day +78 CTL019



Biopsy: October 23, 2015

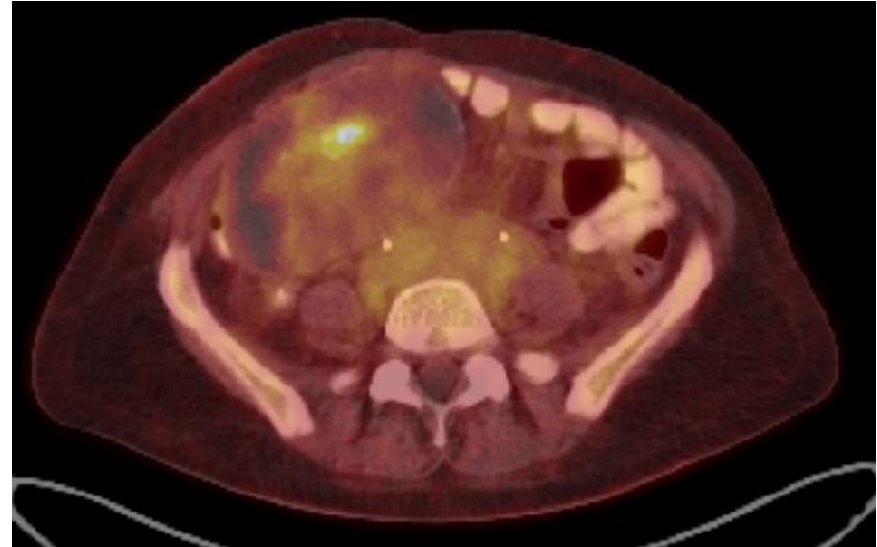
- Flow: kappa LC, CD10+, CD19+
- IHC: large PAX5+ B cells; PDL1+
- FISH: c-MYC and BCL-2 rearranged



→ Nov. 2 & 3: radiation therapy (1400 cGy)

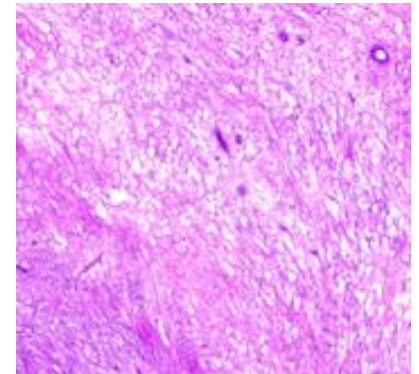
→ Nov. 19 & Dec. 9: nivolumab

December 30, 2015



Biopsy: March 6, 2016

- Extensive necrosis
- No tumor seen



CAR T Cells and PD-1 Blockade: Studies in Progress

- Phase I/II study of pembrolizumab in patients failing to respond to or relapsing after anti-CD19 chimeric antigen receptor modified T cell therapy for relapsed or refractory CD19+ lymphomas
 - NCT02650999
- Test combination PDR001, a humanized antibody directed against PD-1 that blocks the binding of PD-L1 and PD-L2, with CTL019 in 7 DLBCL patients
 - NCT02030834 (*PDR001 cohort pending*)
- Correlative studies planned:
 - Study modulation of tumor immunophenotype and microenvironment and their effects on CAR T cells in patients failing CTL019, as well as effects of PD-1 blockade on CAR T cells, tumor and microenvironment
 - Determine CD19 expression by tumors in patients failing CTL019

Questions