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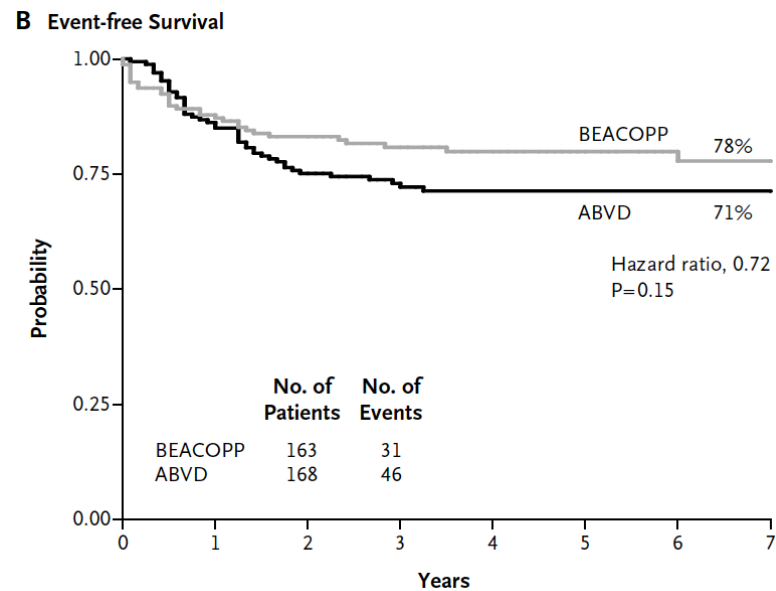
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Advanced-Stage HL

First-Line Therapy

- 25 to 30% of these patients are not cured with ABVD
 - *Primary refractory* to chemotherapy (disease progression during or within 3 months of doxorubicin-based chemotherapy)
 - *Early relapsing* (i.e., within 12 months after first-line treatment)
 - *Late relapsing* (i.e., beyond 12 months after first-line treatment)

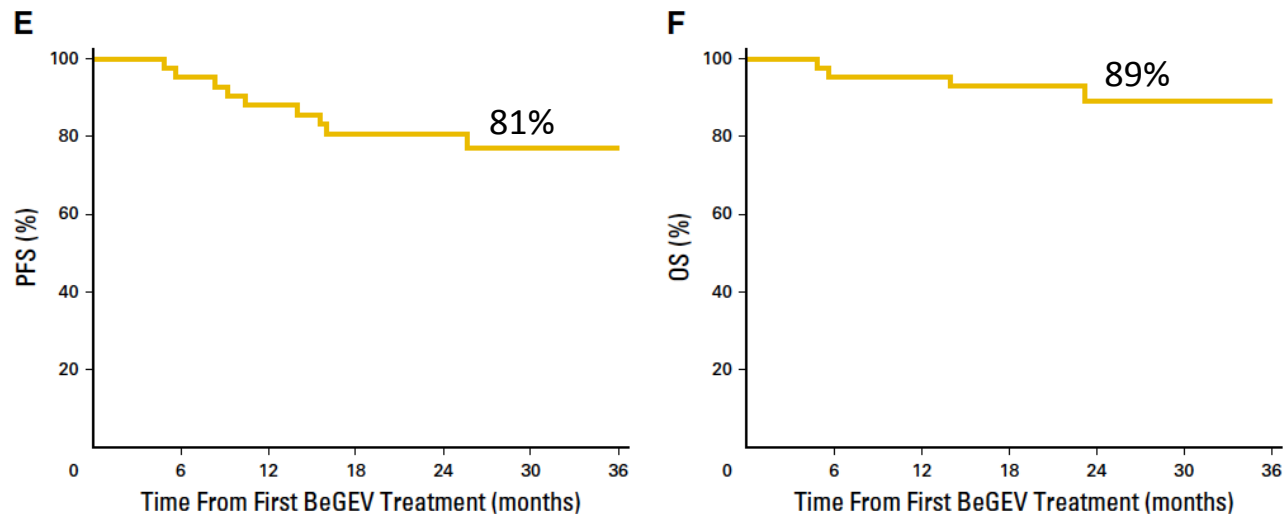


Viviani et al, NEJM, 2011

Bendamustine in Combination With Gemcitabine and Vinorelbine Is an Effective Regimen As Induction Chemotherapy Before Autologous Stem-Cell Transplantation for Relapsed or Refractory Hodgkin Lymphoma: Final Results of a Multicenter Phase II Study

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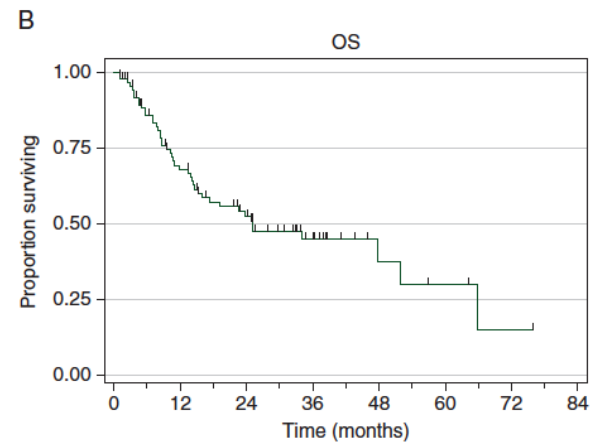
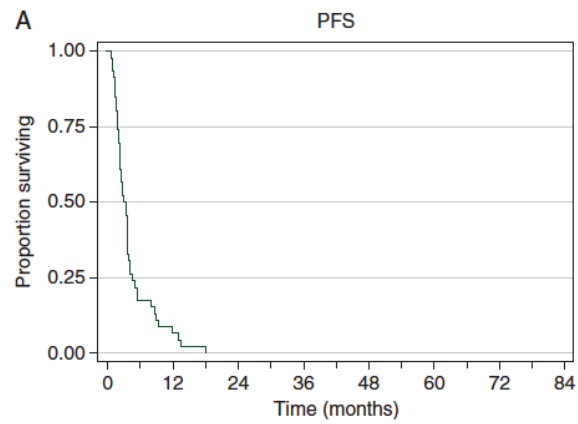
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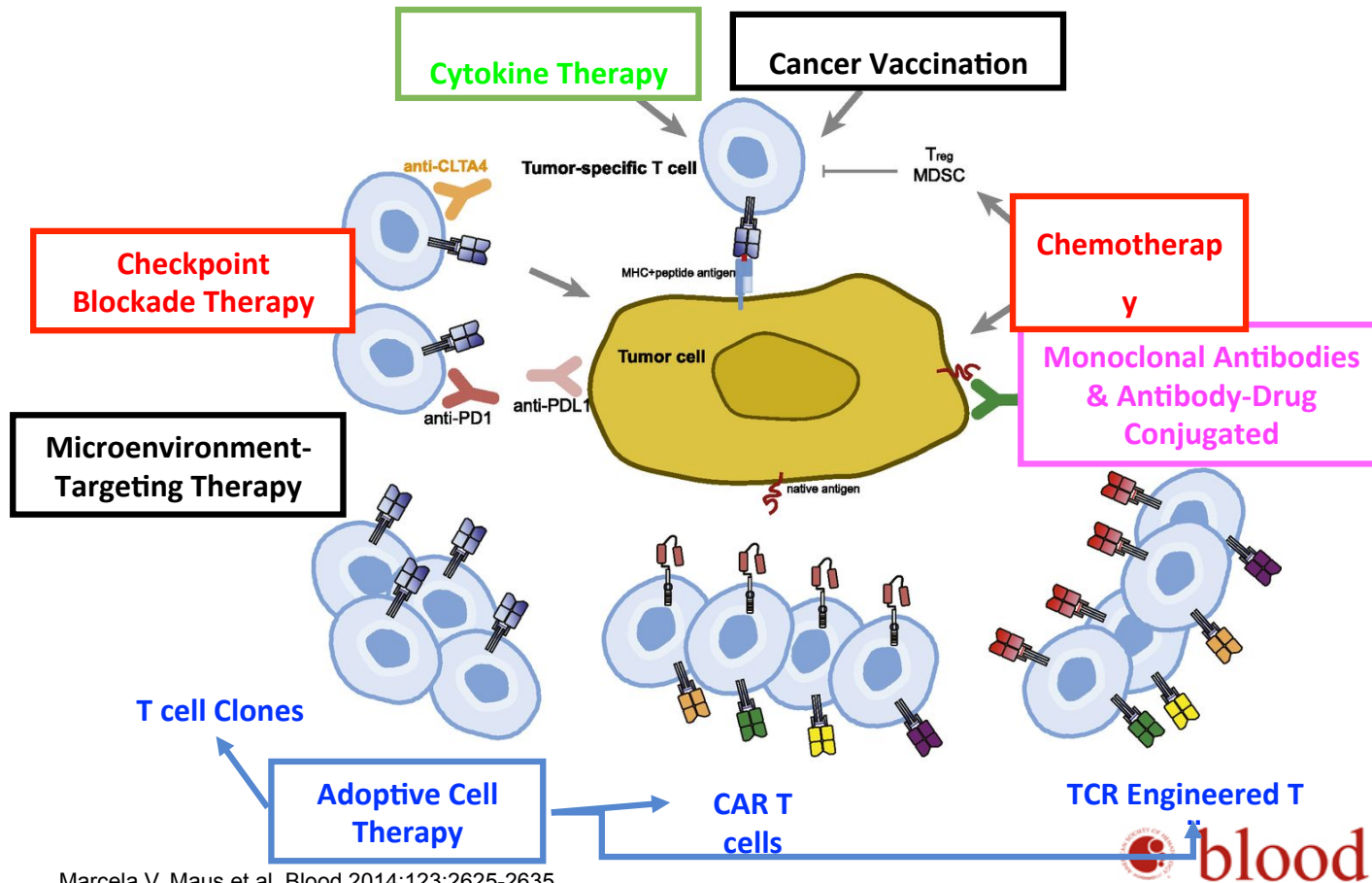
By ITT, 73% proceeded to ASCT

Patients with classical Hodgkin lymphoma experiencing disease progression after treatment with brentuximab vedotin have poor outcomes

Cheah CI et al, Ann Oncol, 27:1317, 2016



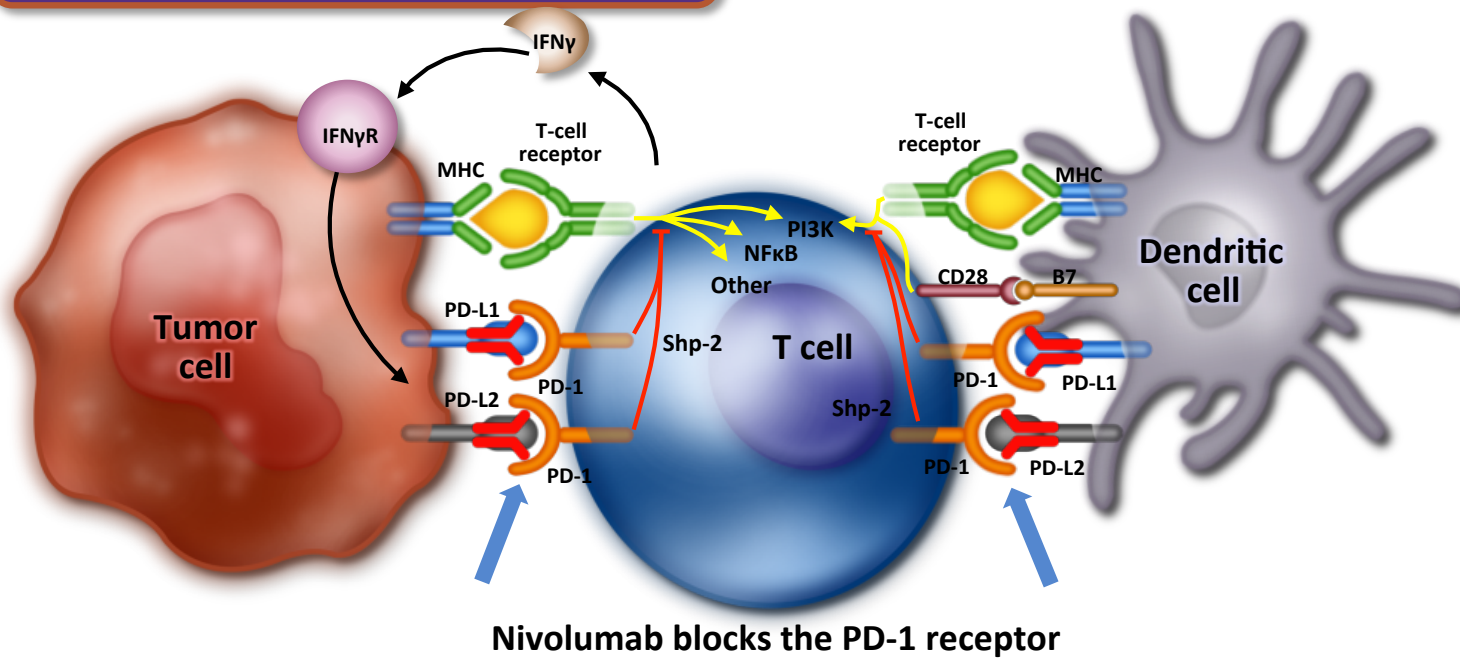
Cancer Immunotherapy



Nivolumab: Mechanism of Action

Recognition of tumor by T cell through MHC/antigen interaction mediates IFN γ release and PD-L1/2 upregulation on tumor

Priming and activation of T cells through MHC/antigen & CD28/B7 interactions with antigen-presenting cells



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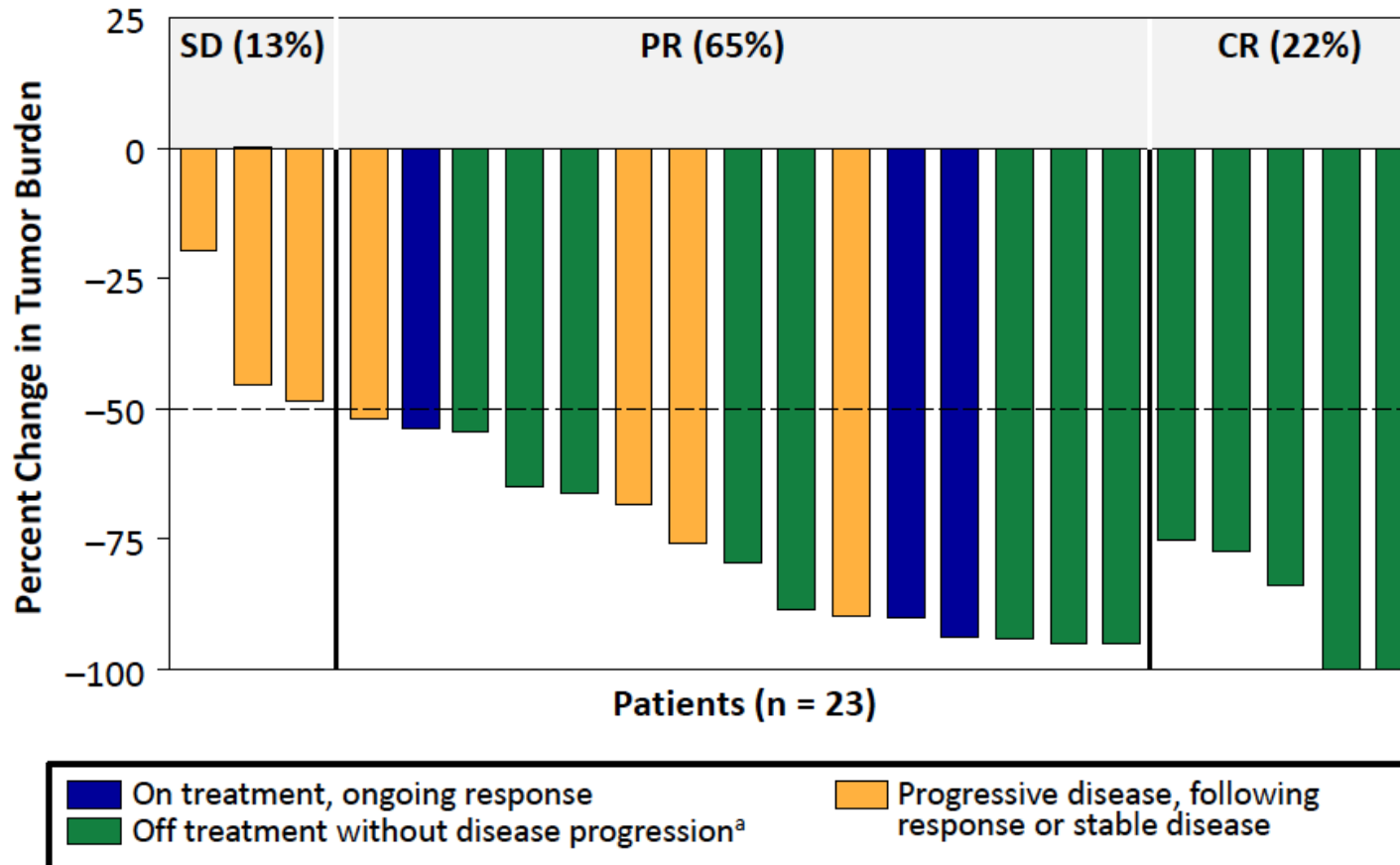
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PD-1 Blockade with Nivolumab in Relapsed or Refractory
Hodgkin's Lymphoma

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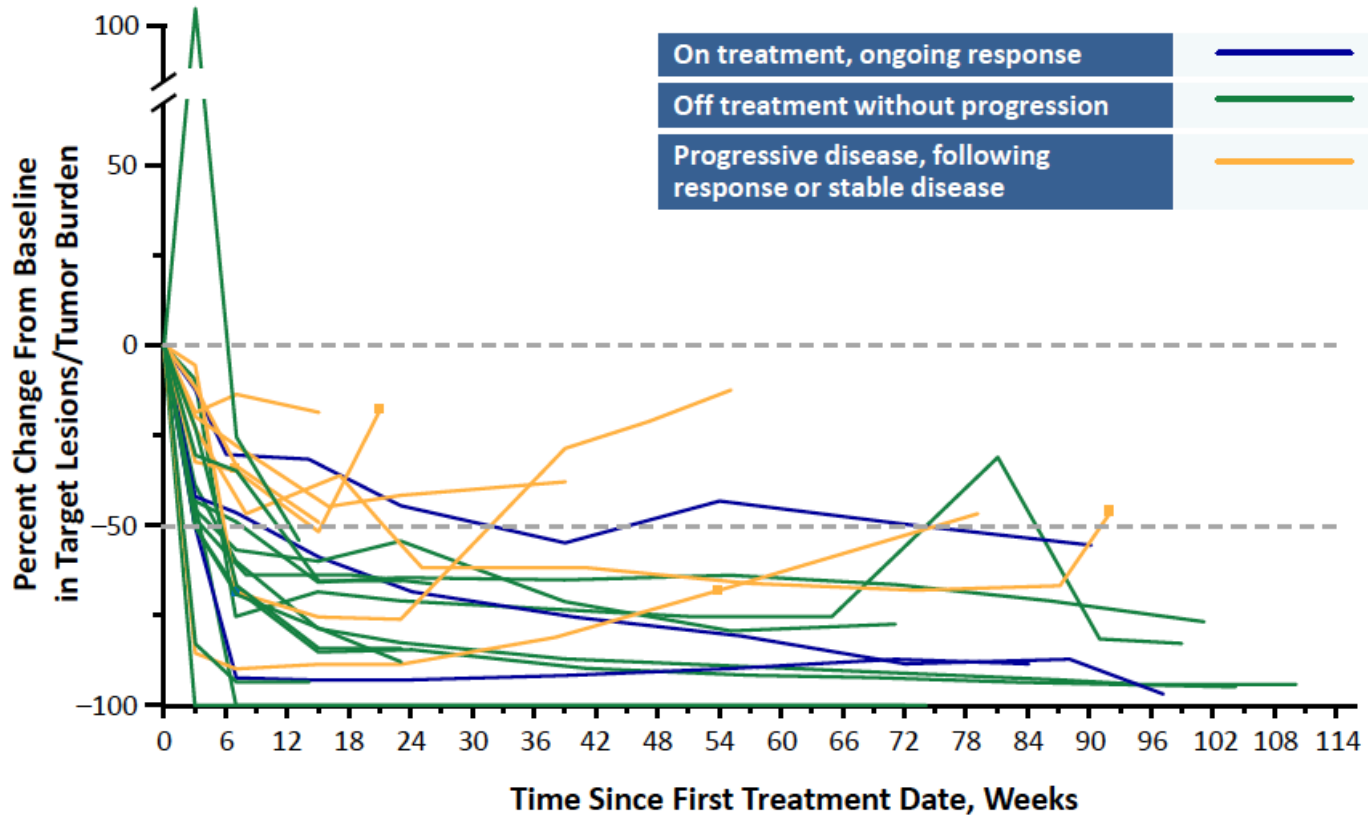
Best Response (PR + CR = 87%)



^aMaximum clinical benefit, transplant, or toxicity

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Durability of Response

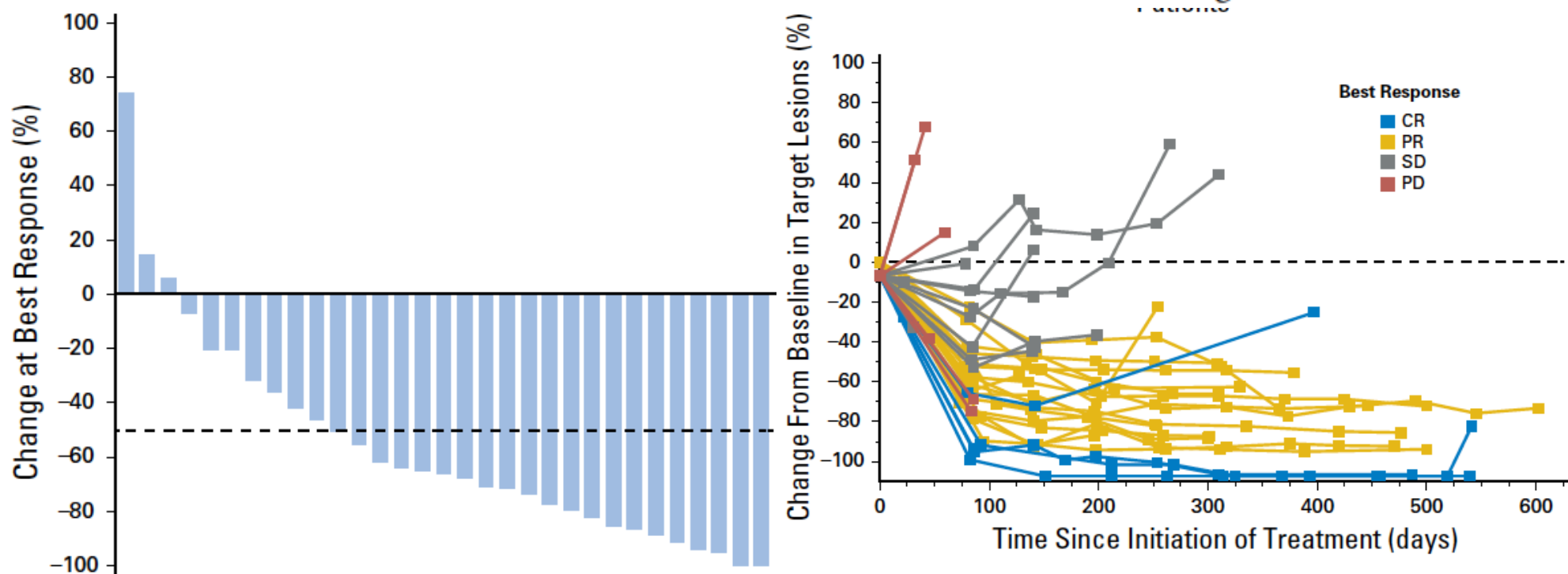


■ First occurrence of new lesion

Ansell et al ASH 2015

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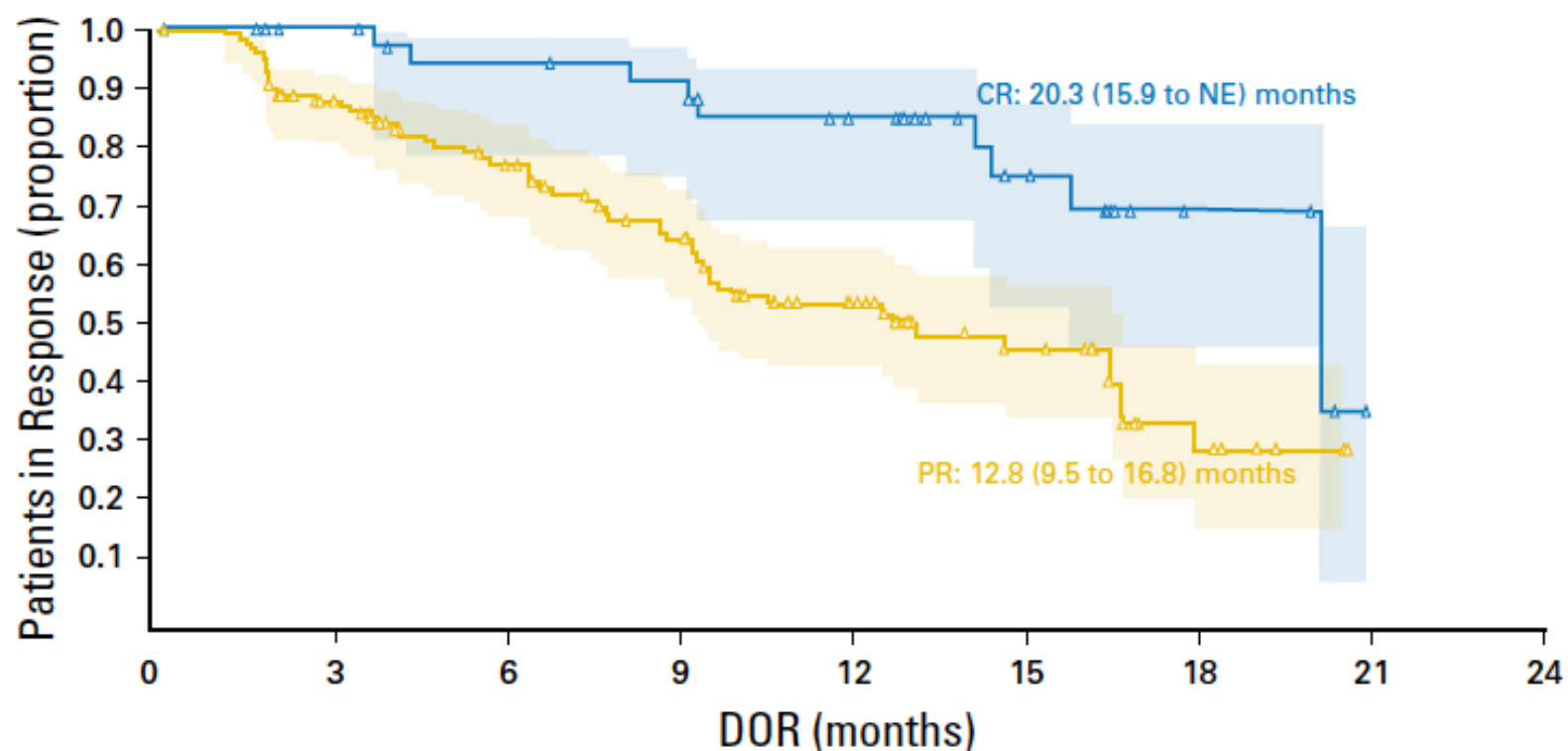
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Table 2. Objective and Best Overall Response per IRC

Response	Protocol-Specified Analysis by Cohort			All patients (N = 243)
	BV Naïve: Cohort A (n = 63)	BV After Auto-HCT: Cohort B (n = 80)	BV Before and/or After Auto-HCT: Cohort C (n = 100)	
ORR, % (95% CI)	65 (52-77)	68 (56-78)	73 (63-81)	69 (63-75)
Best overall response				
Complete remission	18 (29)	10 (13)	12 (12)	40 (16)
Partial remission	23 (37)	44 (55)	61 (61)	128 (53)
Stable disease	15 (24)	17 (21)	15 (15)	47 (19)
Progressive disease	7 (11)	6 (8)	10 (10)	23 (9)
Unable to determine	0	3 (4)	2 (2)	5 (2)

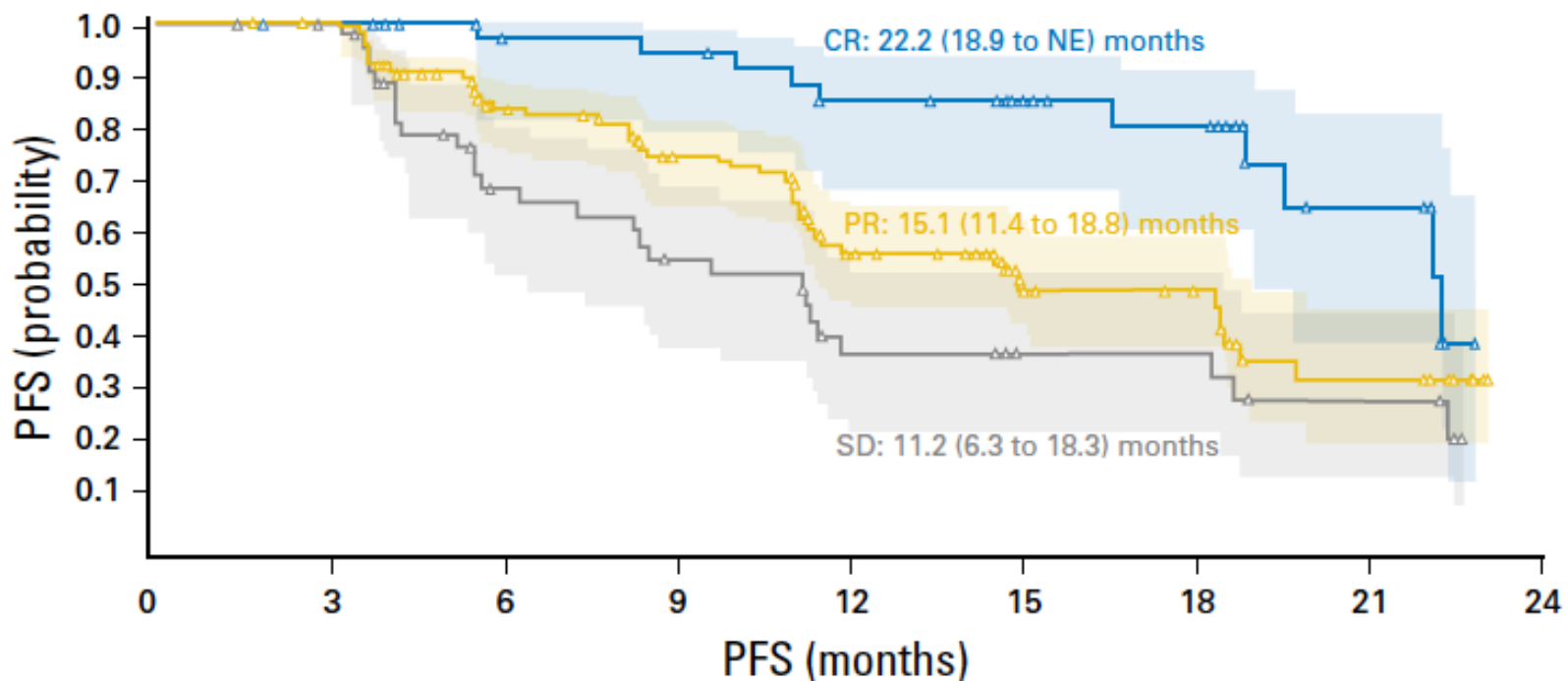
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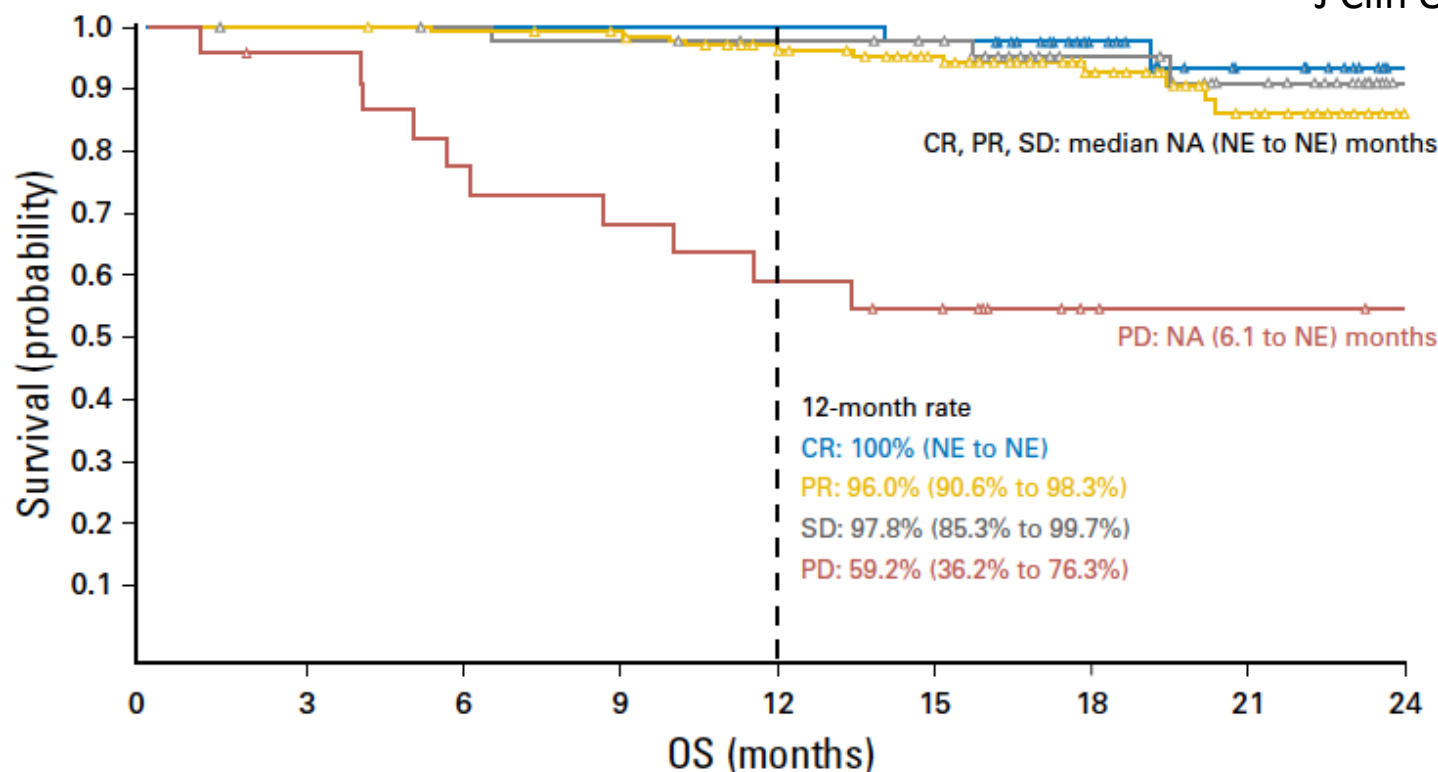
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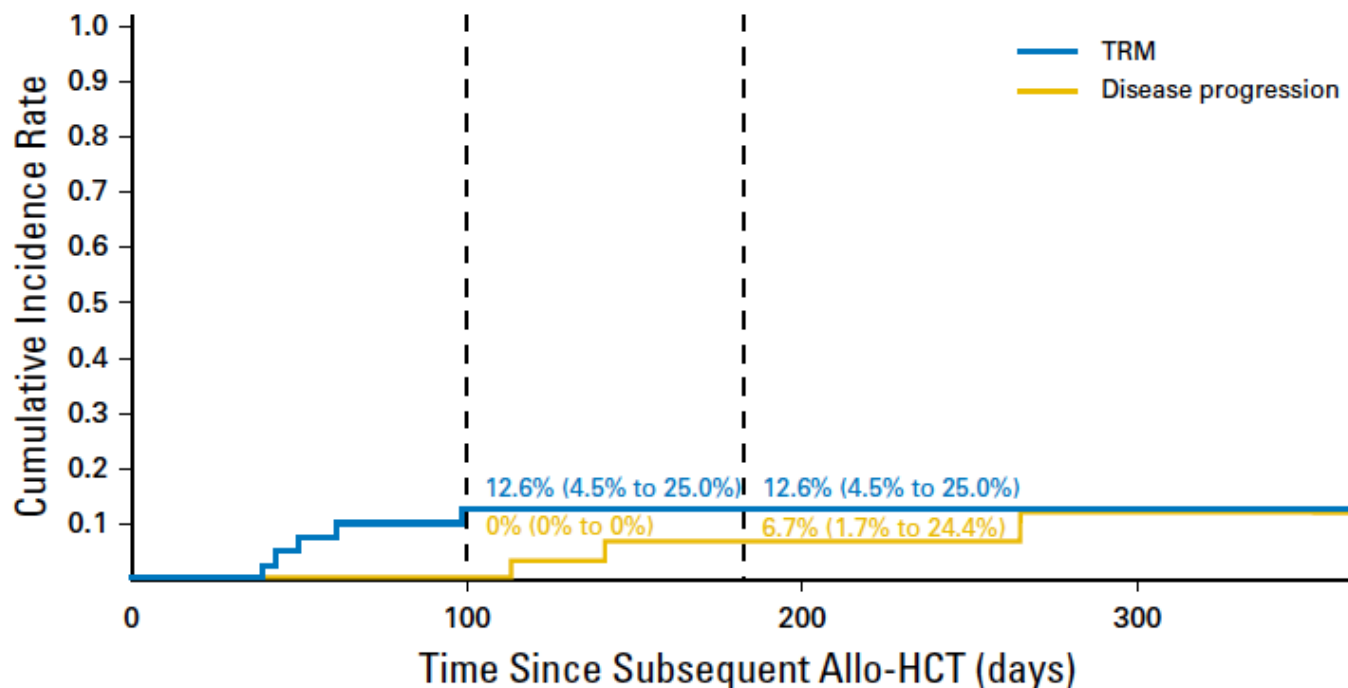
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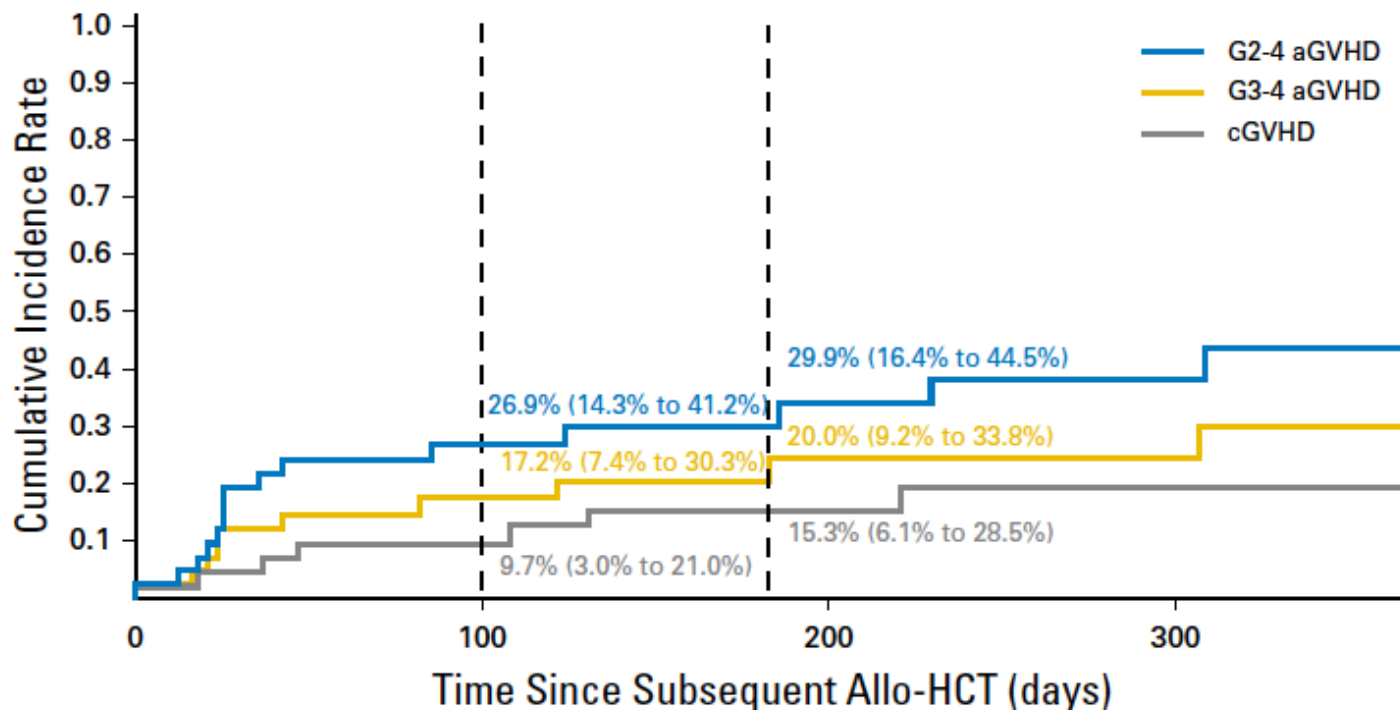
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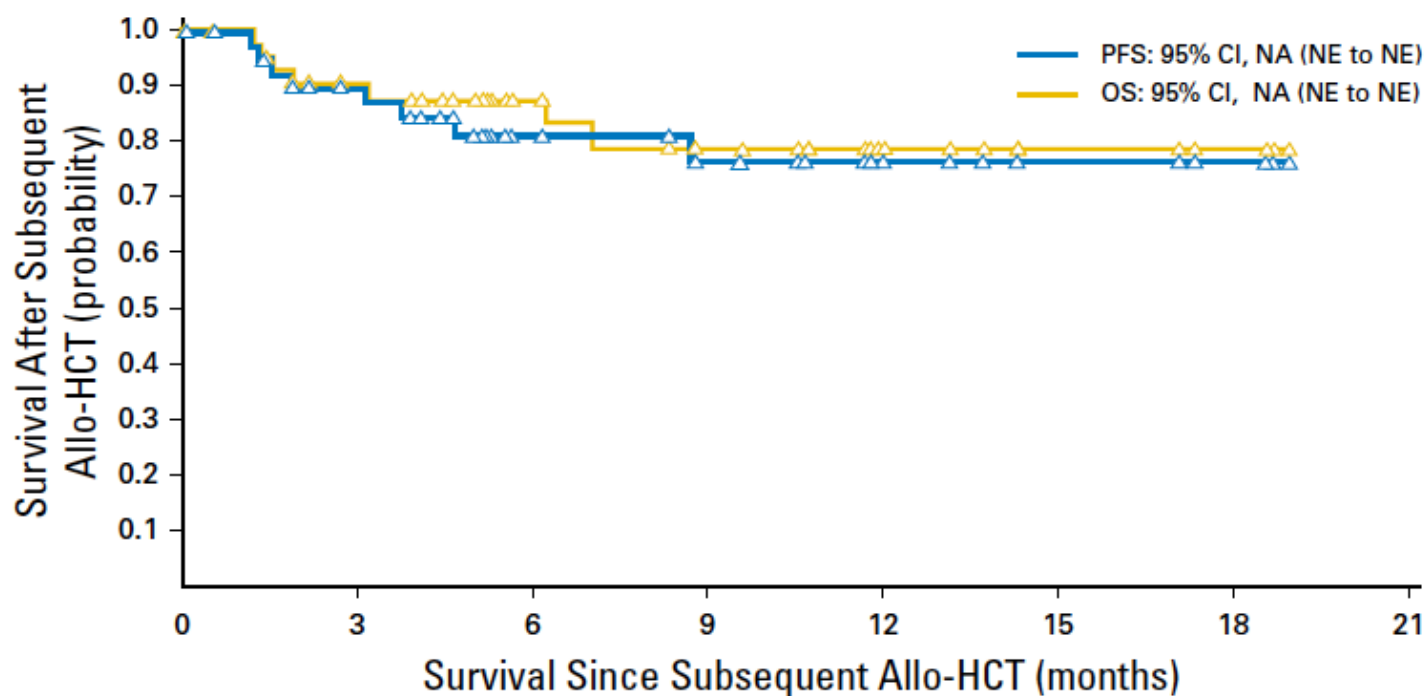
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Conclusions

- Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 therapy induces an unprecedented clinical efficacy in rel/ref HL
- Results achieved with PD-1 blockade hint at a potential *paradigm shift* in cHL therapy
- Combining PD-1 blockade with Allo-SCT is an optimal therapeutic strategy

Challenging Issues

- Response assessment by PET
- Mechanisms of acquired resistance to Nivo

Translational Approach to Improve Response Assessment

- PET scan (A. Chiti)
 - Radiomic approach
- Repeated Biopsy (S. Pileri)
 - Persistence of PD-1/PD-L1 axis
 - Presence/absence of disease
- Circulating chemokine analysis (P. Allavena)
- Circulating tumor DNA genotyping (D. Rossi)
 - To monitor disease eradication
 - To identify treatment-emergent mutations associated with resistance

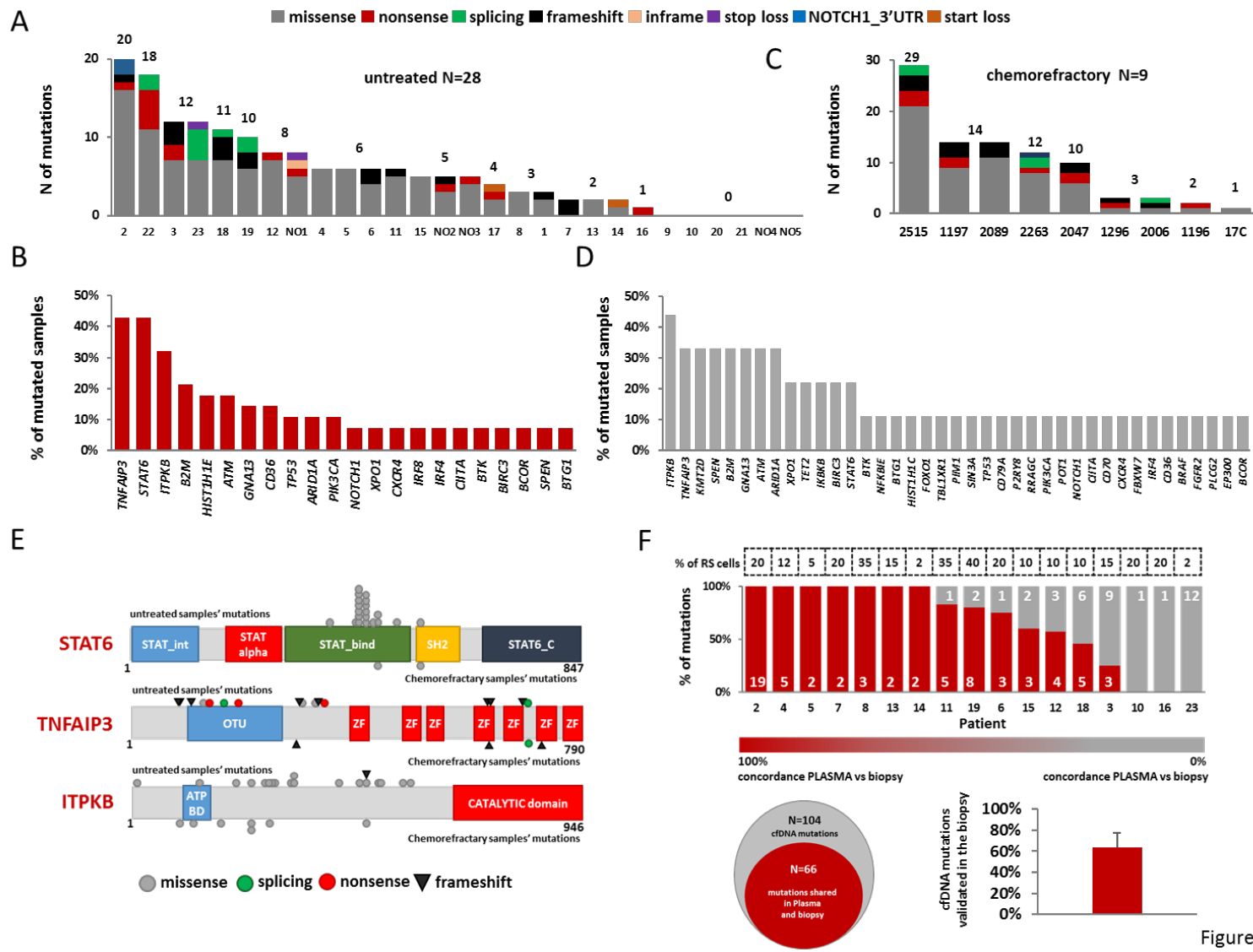


Figure 1

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