

Optimizing Patients Management in Lung NETs

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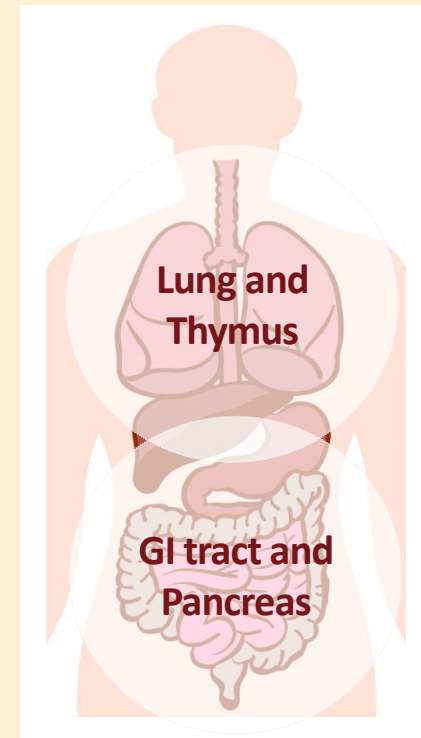
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Neuroendocrine Tumors

Neuroendocrine tumors (**NETs**) comprise a heterogeneous group of malignancies that arise from neuroendocrine cells throughout the body.

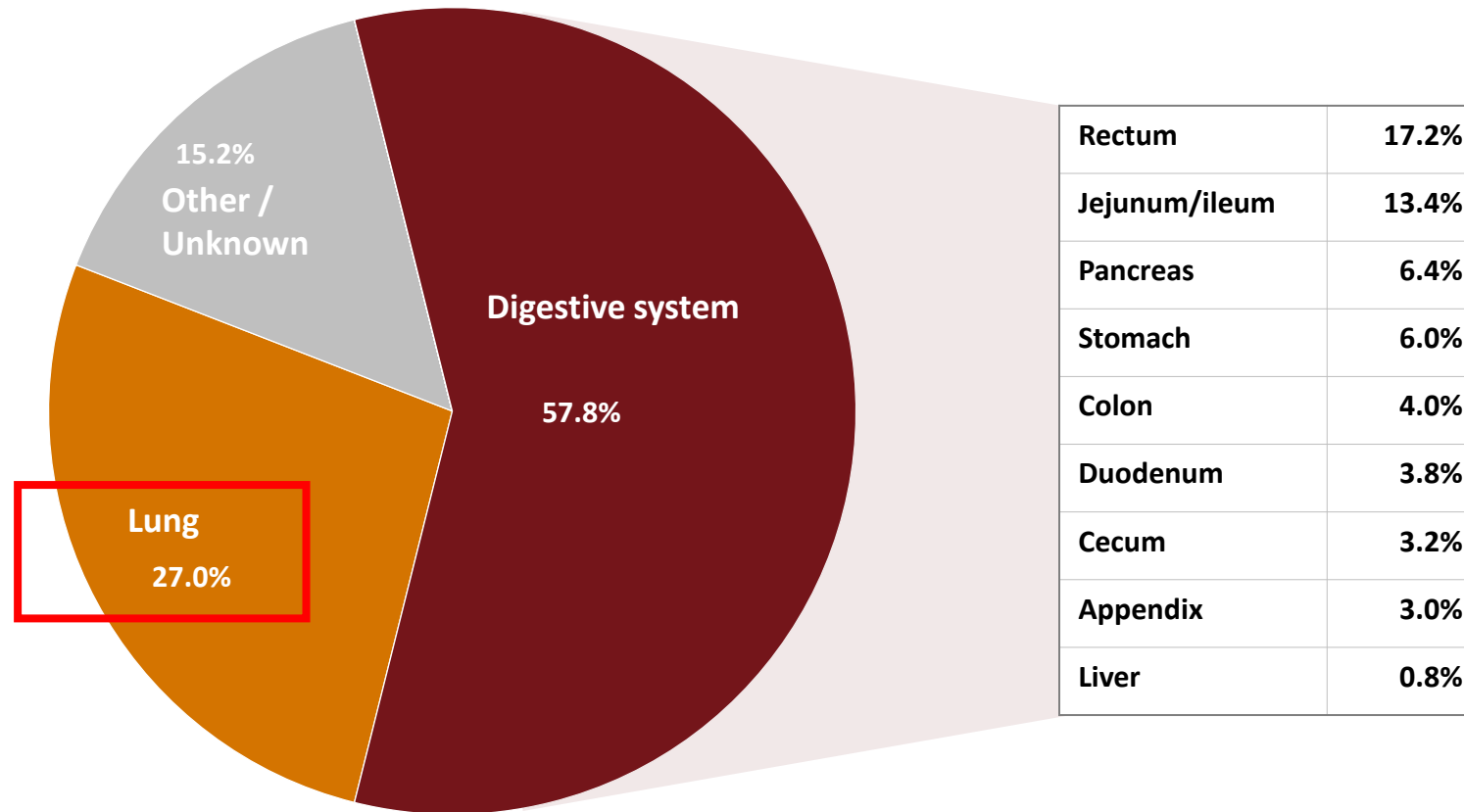
- Most occurs in the **lung, thymus, gastrointestinal tract** and **pancreas**.
- NETs of gastrointestinal tract and pancreas groups together as **GEP-NETs**, GastroEnteroPancreatic NeuroEndocrine Tumors.
- Like other NET, **pancreatic NET** can also be **nonfunctional tumors** (tumors whose hormones cause no symptoms)



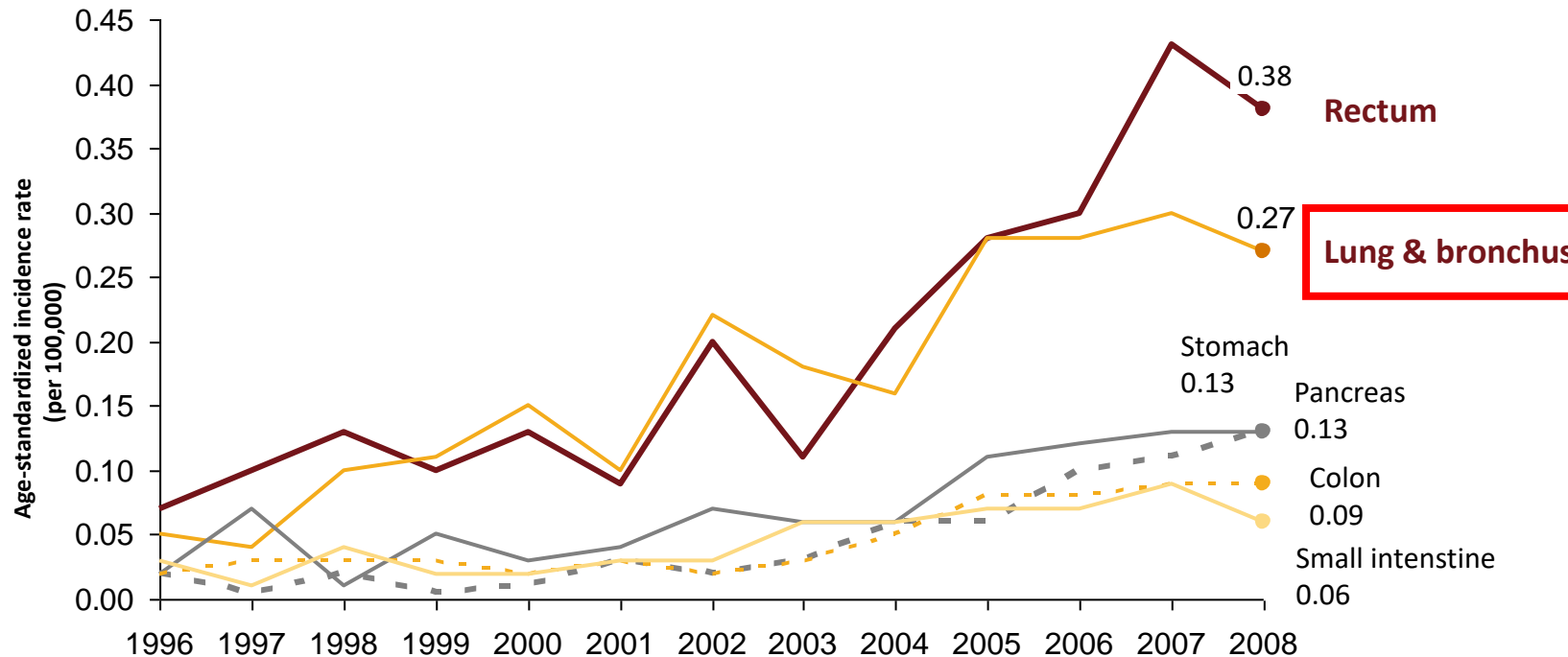
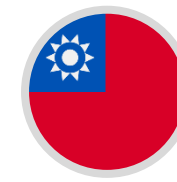
Incidence of NETs by Location in the US



35,618 patients with NETs from 1973 to 2004



The age-standardized incidence rate of neuroendocrine tumors, Taiwan, 1996–2008 (by primary sites)



- The age-standardized annual incidence rate of NETs in Taiwan increased from **0.30** per 100,000 in 1996, to 0.55 per 100,000 in 2000, and to **1.51** per 100,000 in 2008
- The age-standardized incidence rate of NETs increased by **83%** from 1996 to 2000 and by **175%** from 2000 to 2008.

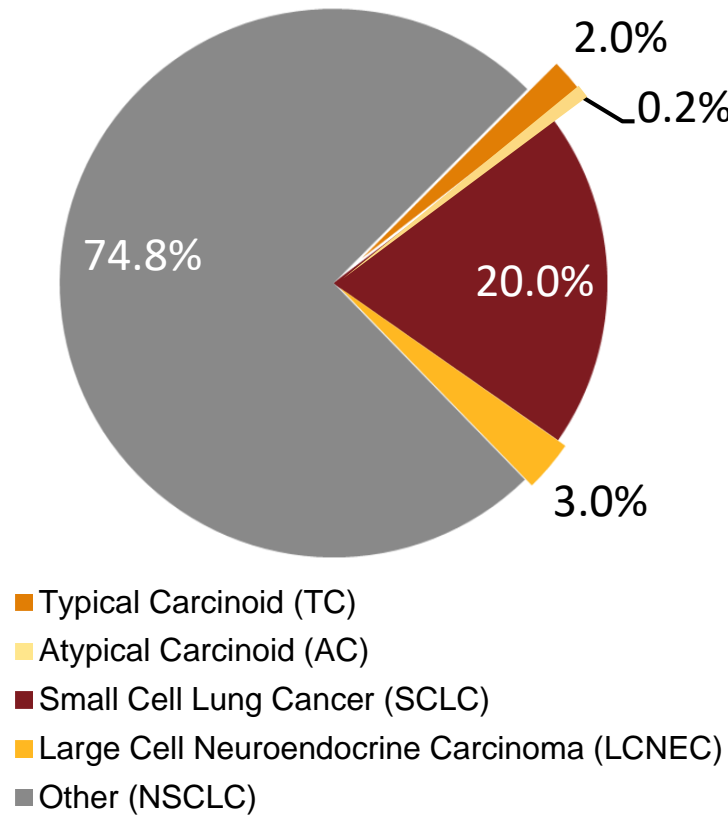
Lung NET has Worse Prognosis than Most GI NETs

Site	Median survival (months) G1/G2 NET diagnosed 1988–2004		
	Localized	Regional	Distant
Jejunum/ileum	115	107	65
Duodenum	112	69	57
Caecum	135	107	55
Thymus	92	68	40
Appendix	NR	NR	31
Pancreas	NR	111	27
Rectum	NR	90	26
Lung	NR	151	17
Gastric	163	76	13
Liver	47	14	12
Colon	NR	52	7

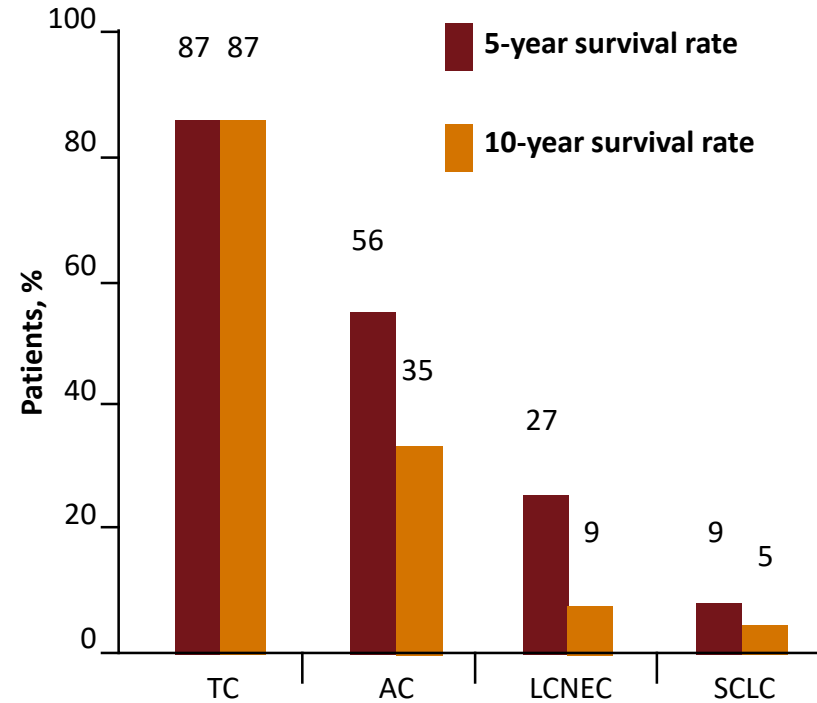
**Median OS: 75 months
(Any NET diagnosed between 1973-2004)**

Patients with Atypical Carcinoid and Poorly Differentiated Lung NEC Have Worse Prognosis

Prevalence of different classifications of lung NET



Patients with AC and poorly differentiated NEC have worse prognosis vs. TC

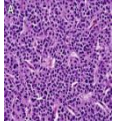
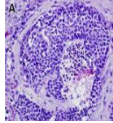
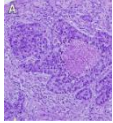
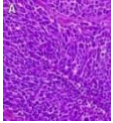


Epidemiology

Bronchial NET epidemiology

- 1% of all lung cancer and ~30% of all NETs
(Prevalence Rate: **0.2-2** per 100,000)
- 40's to 60's is most common age
(45 y/o in TC and 55 y/o in AC)
- TC : AC \cong 8-10 : 1
 - Smoking related to AC, no other known environmental risk factors
- Inherited risk
 - 95% sporadic and not associated with inherited risk
 - 5% associated with inherited condition MEN1 (TC>AC)

2015 WHO Classification of Lung NET/NEC

	TC	AC	LCNEC	SCLC
Tumor grade	Low	Intermediate	High	High
Histology	Well- differentiated NET	Well- differentiated NET	Poorly- differentiated NET	Poorly- differentiated NET
H&E Stain				
Mitoses/10 HPF	<2	2-10	>10 (median=70)	>10 (median=80)
Ki-67 Index	<2%	<20%	20-90%	60-100%
Necrosis	None	Present (focal punctate)	Present (extensive)	Present (extensive)
Malignancy	Fairly benign	Considerable malignant potential	Highly malignant	Highly malignant
TTF1 expression	Mostly negative	Mostly negative	Positive 50%	Positive 85%
Combined with non-SCLC component	No	No	Sometimes	Sometimes

2015 WHO Classification of Lung NETs

Key differentiating characteristics

- Presence/absence of necrosis
- Mitoses/2 mm
- Ki-67 outperformed mitotic index as a prognostic factor; useful in distinguishing subtypes of lung NET

Lung carcinoids (TC/AC) are low-intermediate grade tumors, **however**

- Lymph-node involvement + local recurrence or distant metastases can occur, impacting prognosis
- Metastases seen in patients with both TC (5-20%) and AC (30-70%)
- Significantly longer median OS with localized vs metastatic lung NET (227 vs 16 months)

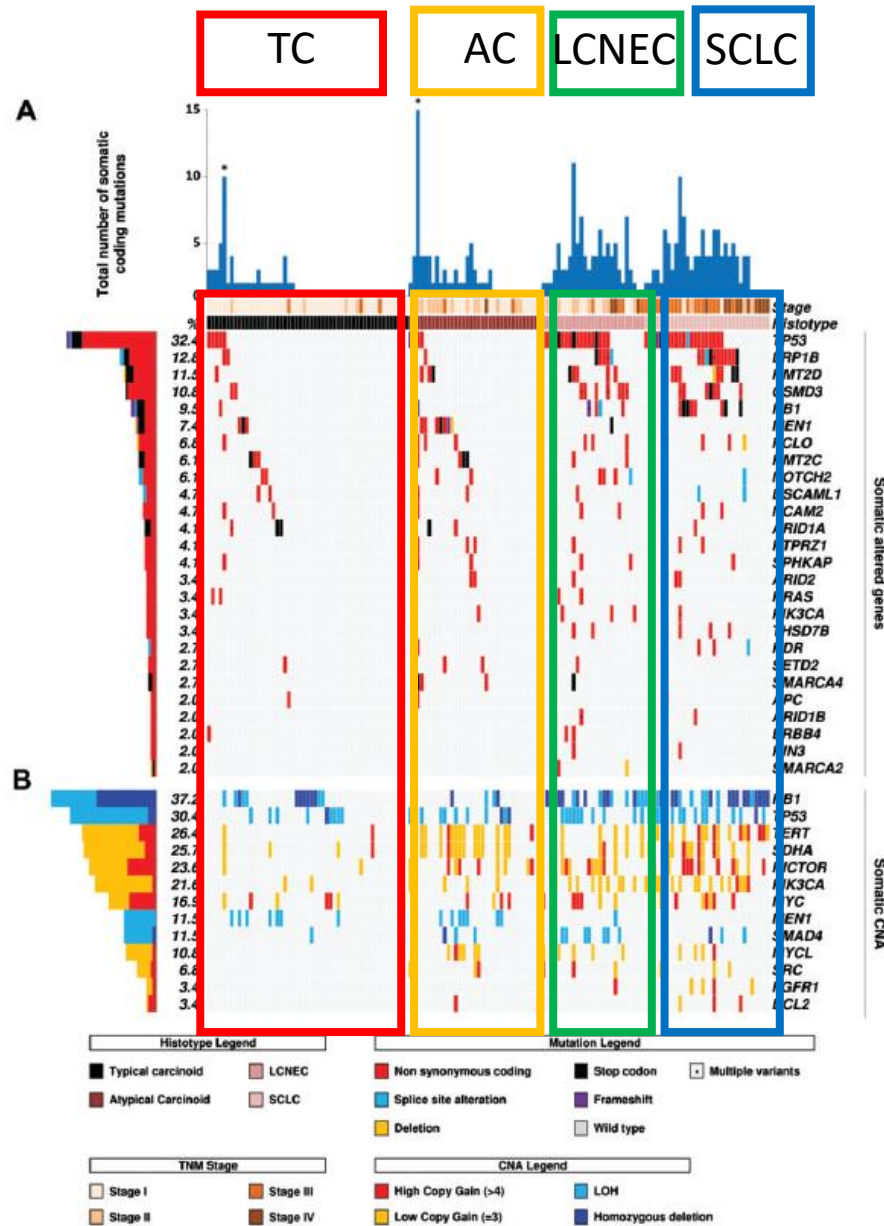
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Molecular Landscape



Carcinoid:

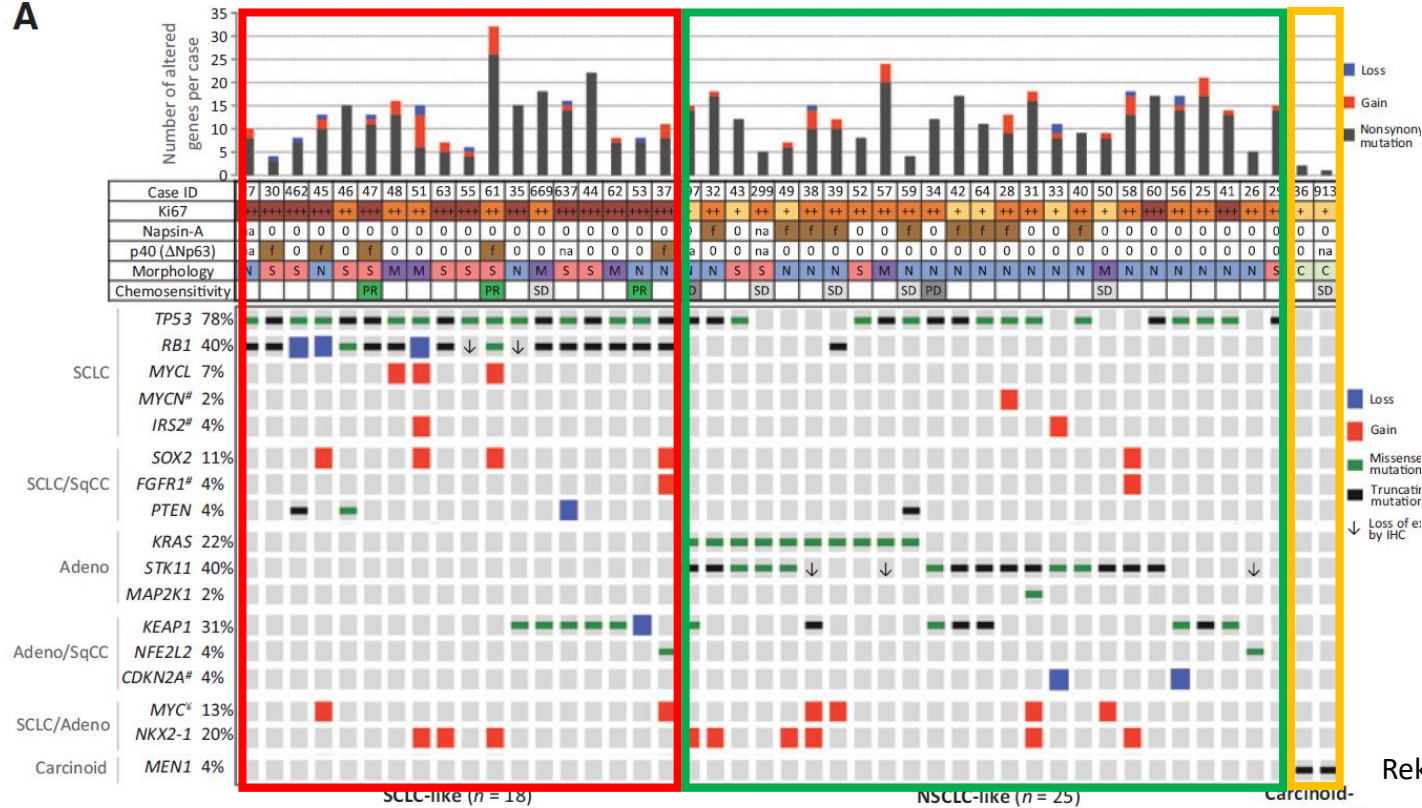
- TC+AC
- MEN1 mutation
- Chromatin-remodeling genes mutations

Carcinomas:

- LCNEC+SCLC
- TP53 mutation
- RB1 mutation
- Cell cycle regulation genes

Molecular Landscape (Heterogeneous classification **LCNEC**)

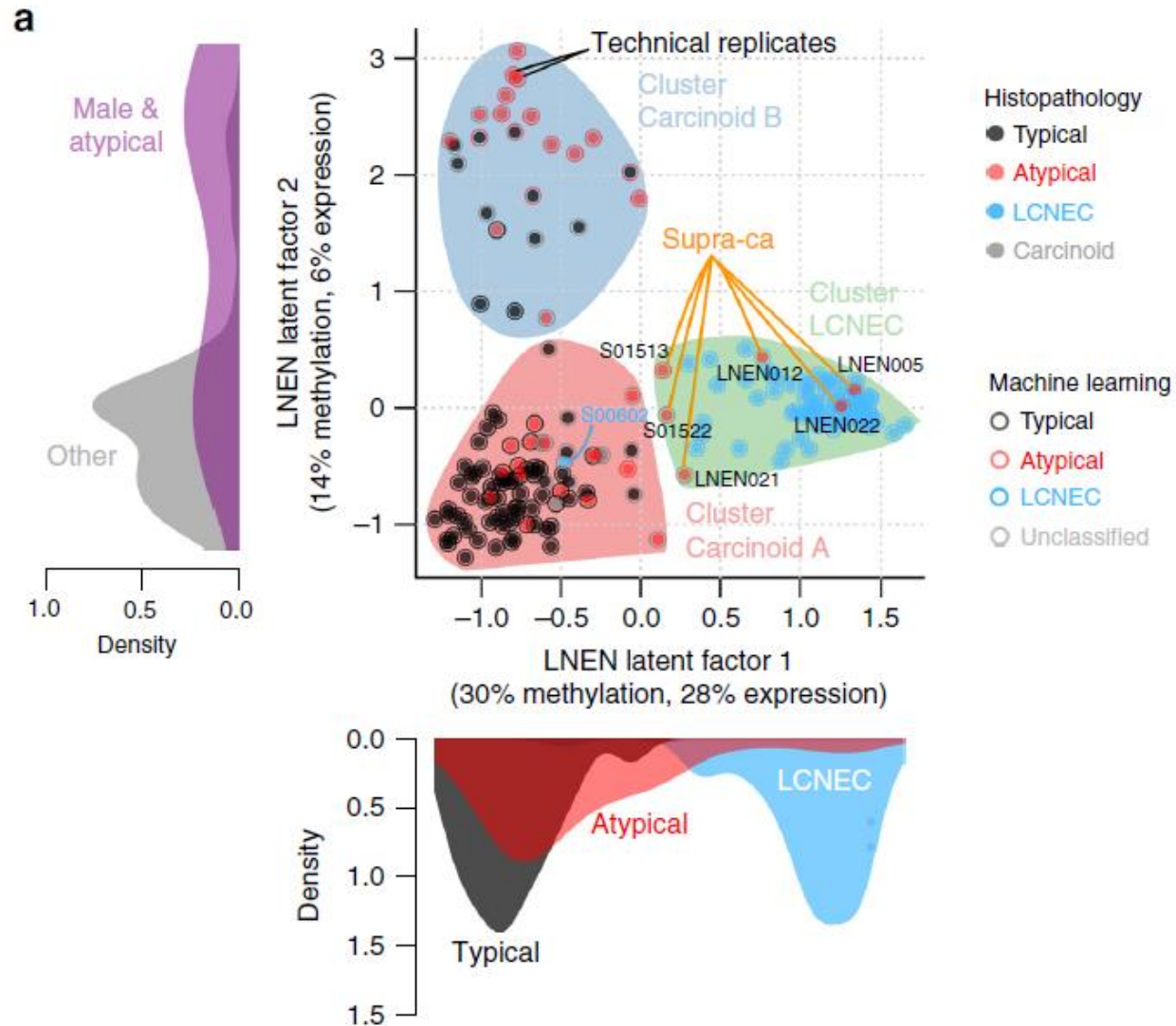
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NSCLS GROUP/LCNEC I LCNEC Morphology + SCLC/ADK Molecular Features	CARCINOID GROUP LCNEC Morphology + Carcinoid Molecular Features	SCLC GROUP/LCNEC II LCNEC Morphology + SCLC Molecular Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ RB1 or TP53: YES ✓ STK11 and KRAS: YES ✓ MYCL, SOX2:NO ✓ FGFR1 :NO ✓ MEN1: NO 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ RB1 or TP53: NO ✓ STK11 and KRAS: NO ✓ MYCL, SOX2:NO ✓ FGFR1 :NO ✓ MEN1: YES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ RB1+TP53: YES ✓ STK11 and KRAS: NO ✓ MYCL, SOX2:YES ✓ FGFR1:YES ✓ MEN1:NO

Molecular Landscape (Heterogeneous classification **Supracarcnoid**)



- 81 Typical
- 35 Atypical
- 75 LCNEC
- 66 SCLC

- Atypical NETs stratified in to two groups

- 10yr OS 88%
- 10yr OS 27%

- Poorer OS
- morphologically Atypical NEN
- molecularly and clinically LCNEC

- “Supra-carcinoid”

Supracarcinoid: 披著羊皮的狼??



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Treatment Consideration

Disease Factors	Patient, health system
- Histopathology (TC, AC, Ki67?)	- Age
- Genomics (TC, AC, supracarcinoid)	- Comorbidities
- Previous treatment (Radiation)	- Access of therapy (PRRT.....)
- Functional symptoms	
- Pace of disease	
- Tumor burden	

Treatment Choices

Tools	Evidence level
- SSA (Somatostatin Analog)	
- Everolimus	
- Chemotherapy	
- PRRT	

Somatostatin Receptors

Carcinoid Tumours

sst2>sst5>sst1>sst3&4

Gastrinomas

sst2>sst5=sst1>sst3>sst4

Insulinomas

sst5>sst3>**sst2**>sst4>sst1 benign

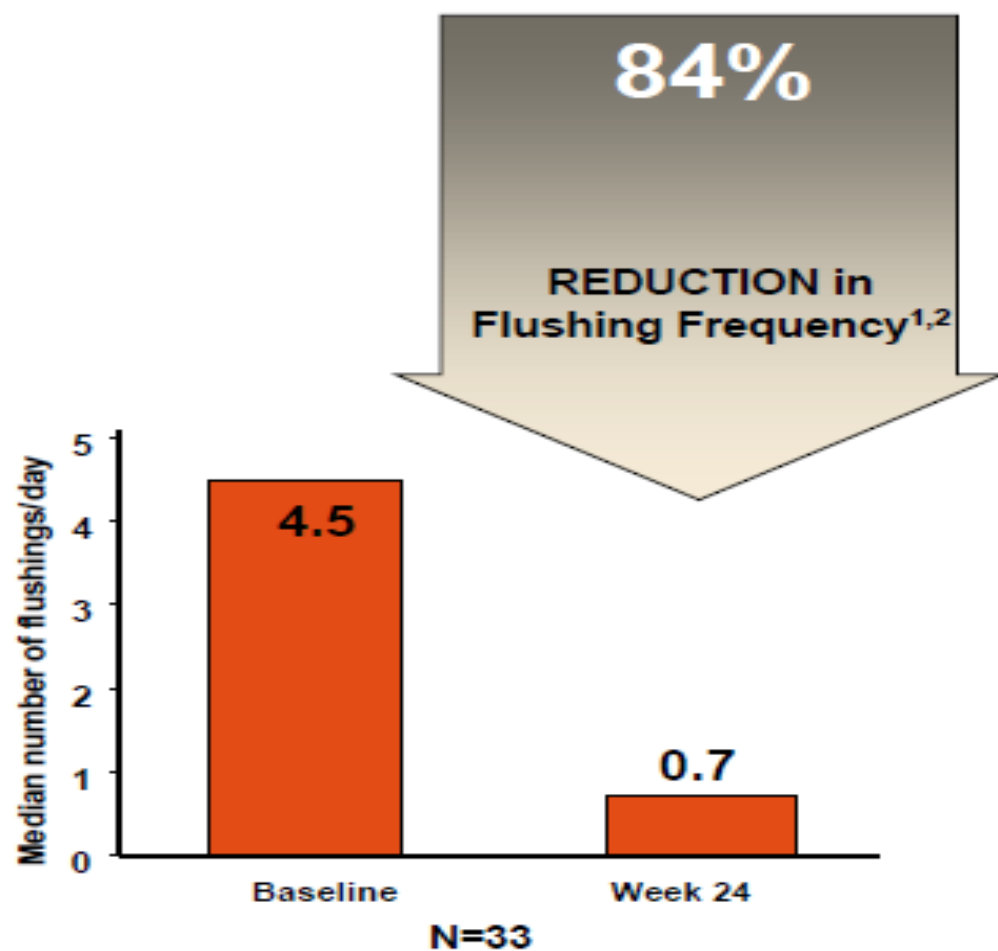
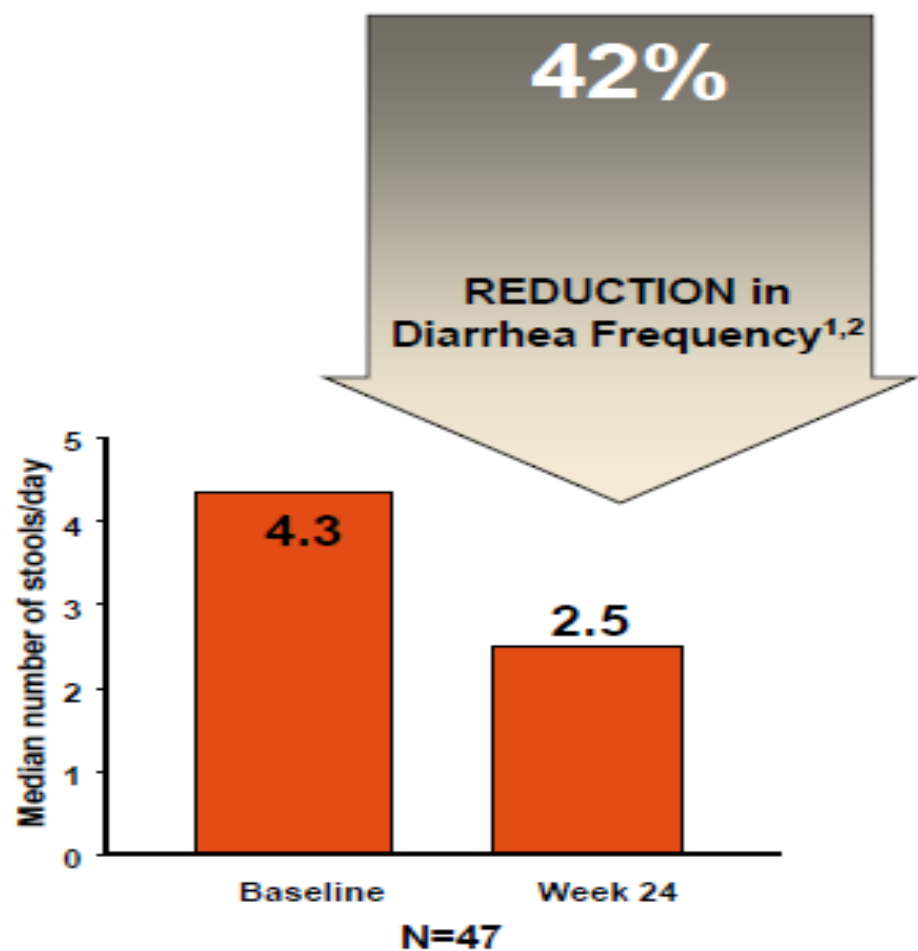
Non-functional
pancreatic ET

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Merkel Cell Tumour /
Pheochromocytoma

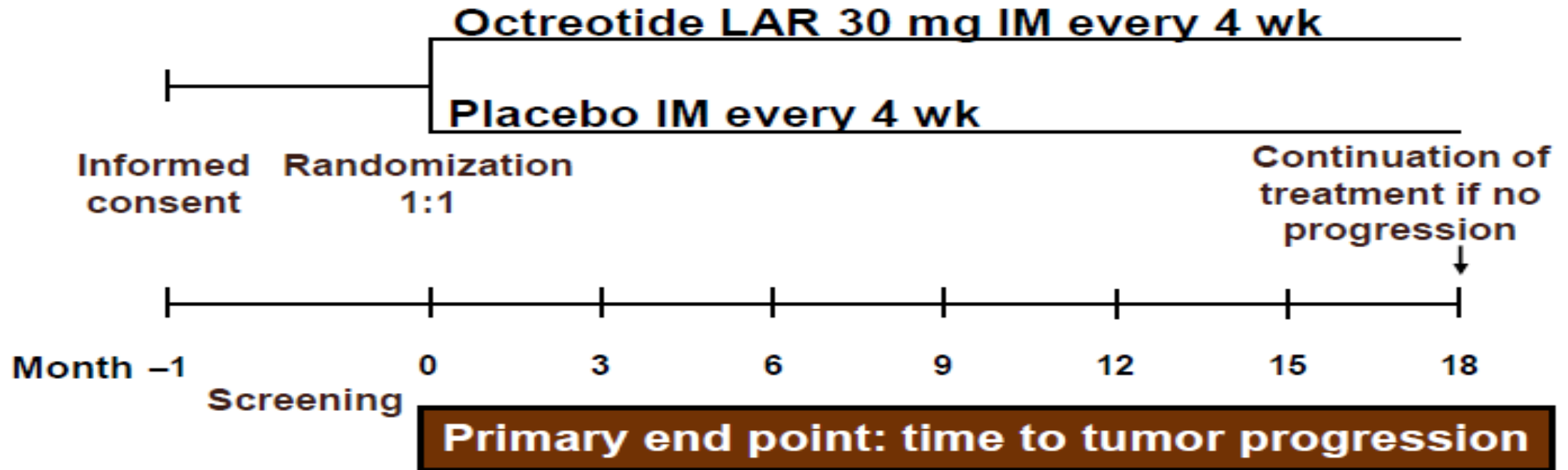
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Octreotide LAR Provides Effective Symptom Relief



PROMID Study Design

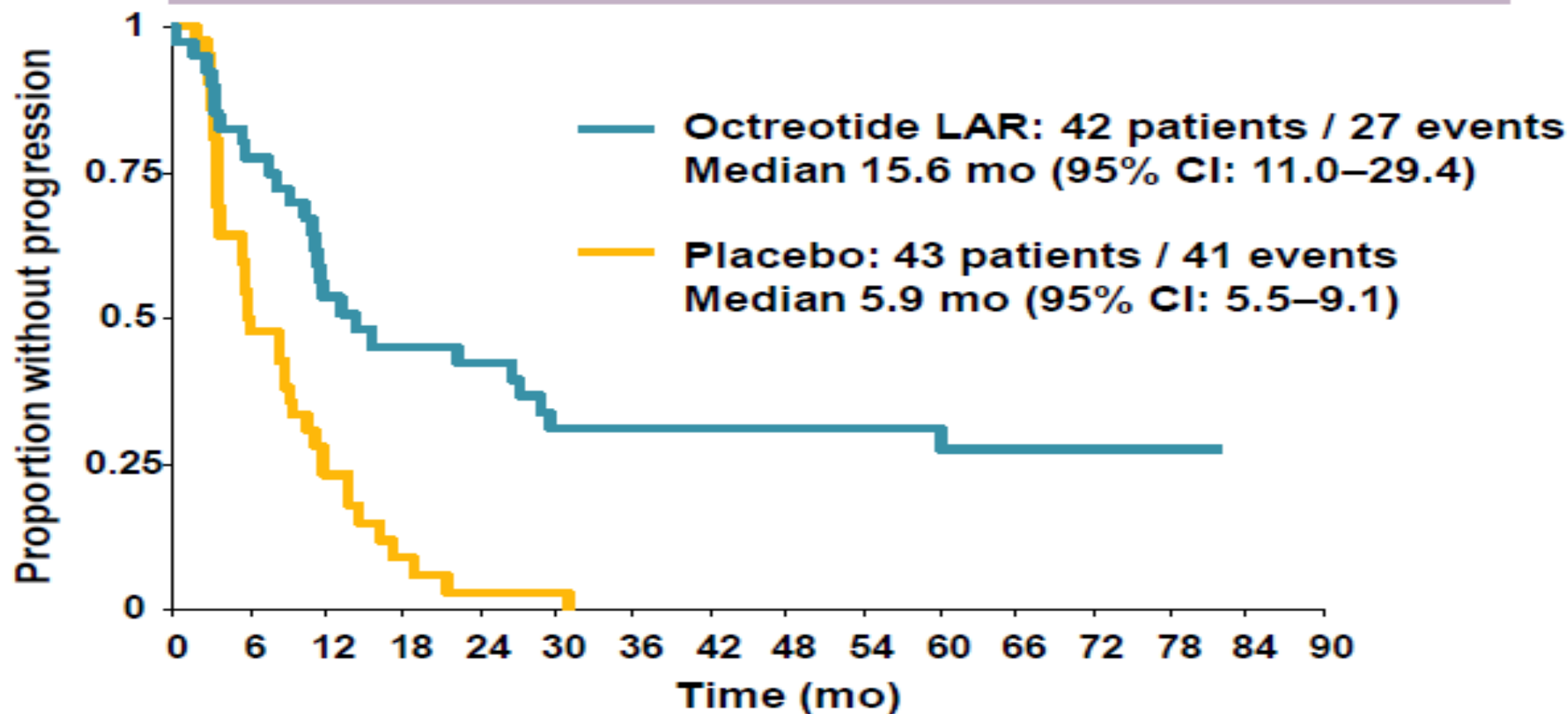
MidGut + unknown primary!!, **no lung NET**



- Treatment was continued until CT or MRI documented tumor progression (WHO)
- Follow-up until death
- CT and/or MRI were evaluated by a blinded central reader

Octreotide LAR 30 mg Significantly Increases Time to Tumor Progression

Octreotide LAR vs placebo $P=0.000017$
HR= 0.33 (95% CI: 0.19–0.55)



Based on Intention-to-treat analysis

1. Rinke A, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2009;27:4656-4663;
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Study aim and design

GEP NET!!, **no lung NET**

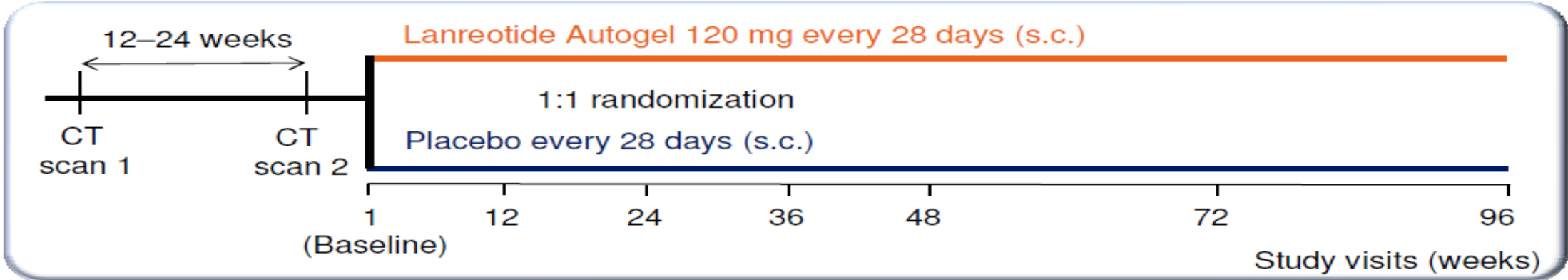
CLARINET (Controlled study of Lanreotide Antiproliferative Response In NET)

Aim

- To compare effect of lanreotide Autogel 120 mg vs. placebo on PFS in well-/moderately differentiated non-functioning GEP-NETs

Design

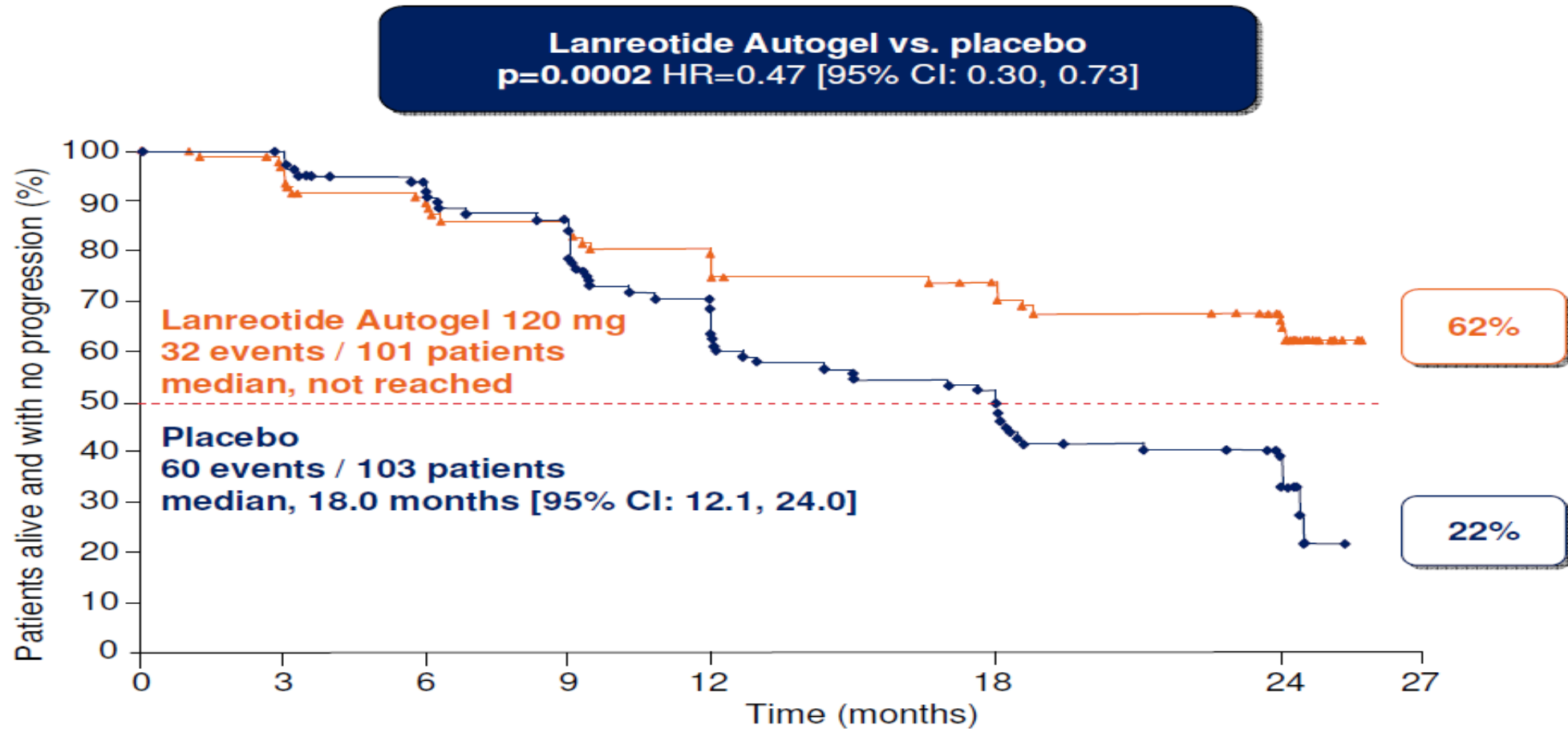
- International multicentre randomized double-blind placebo-controlled phase 3 study



ClinicalTrials.gov NCT00353496; EudraCT 2005-004904-35.

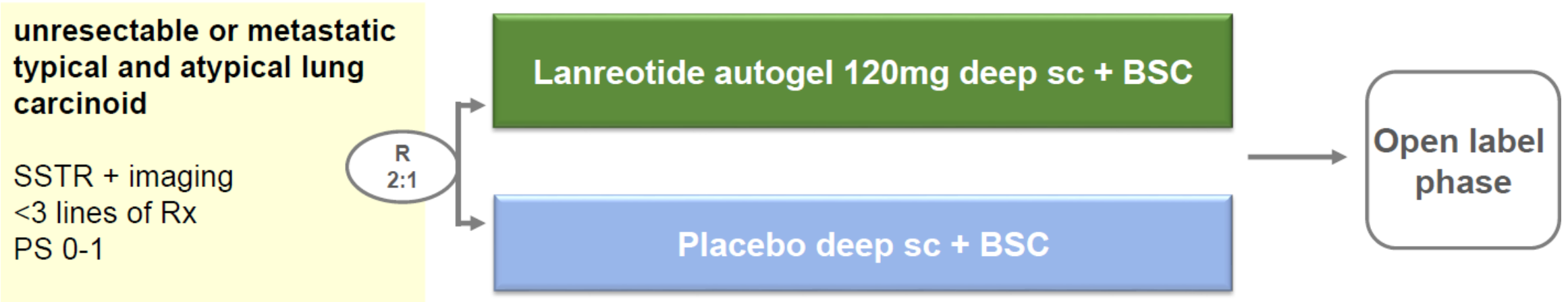
Presentation Presidential Session of the 17th ECCO – 38th ESMO – 32nd ESTRO European Cancer Congress, 28 September 2013, abstract E17-7103, Amsterdam- EJC, vol 49 (3), 2013

Primary endpoint: PFS (ITT population, N=204)



P-value derived from stratified log-rank test; HR derived from Cox proportional hazard model.
HR, hazard ratio; ITT, intention-to-treat.

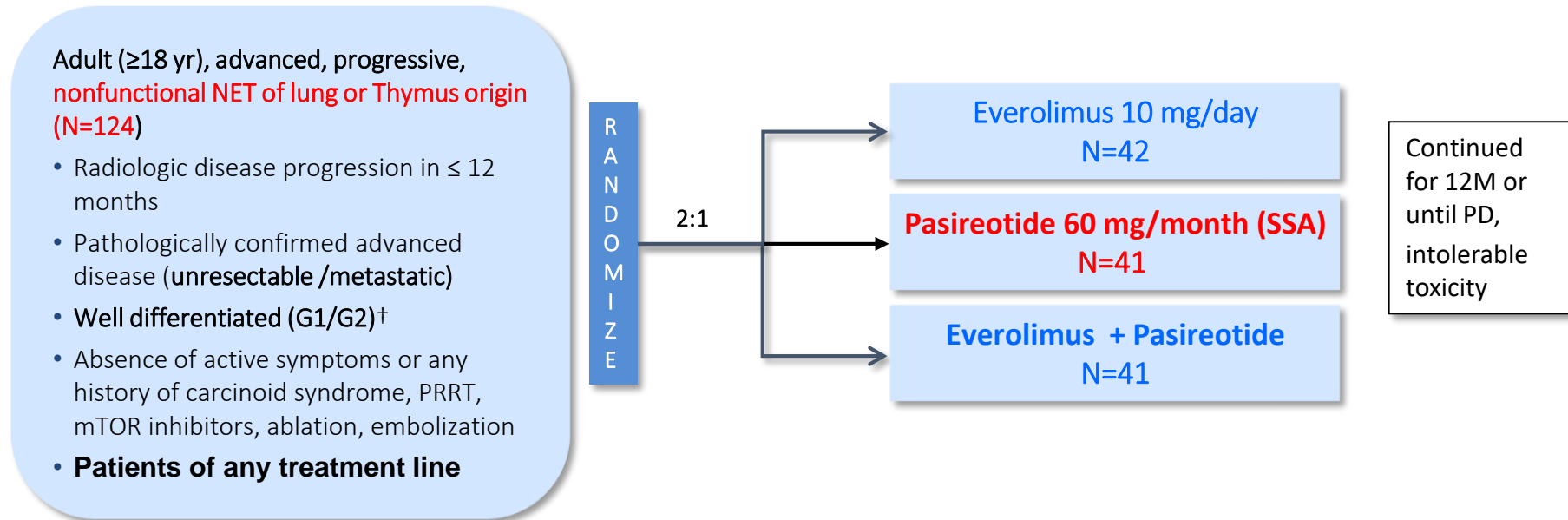
Efficacy and Safety of Lanreotide Autogel/ Depot 120 mg vs. Placebo in Subjects With Lung Neuroendocrine Tumors (SPINET)



- Ipsen sponsored; Austria, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Spain, UK, USA
- Opened Feb 2016; planned for **216** patients; Recruitment stopped at **77** pts
- Primary EP: PFS (RECIST 1.1); 2ndary: RR, OS, TTF, biochem
- final data Feb 2020

LUNA Design

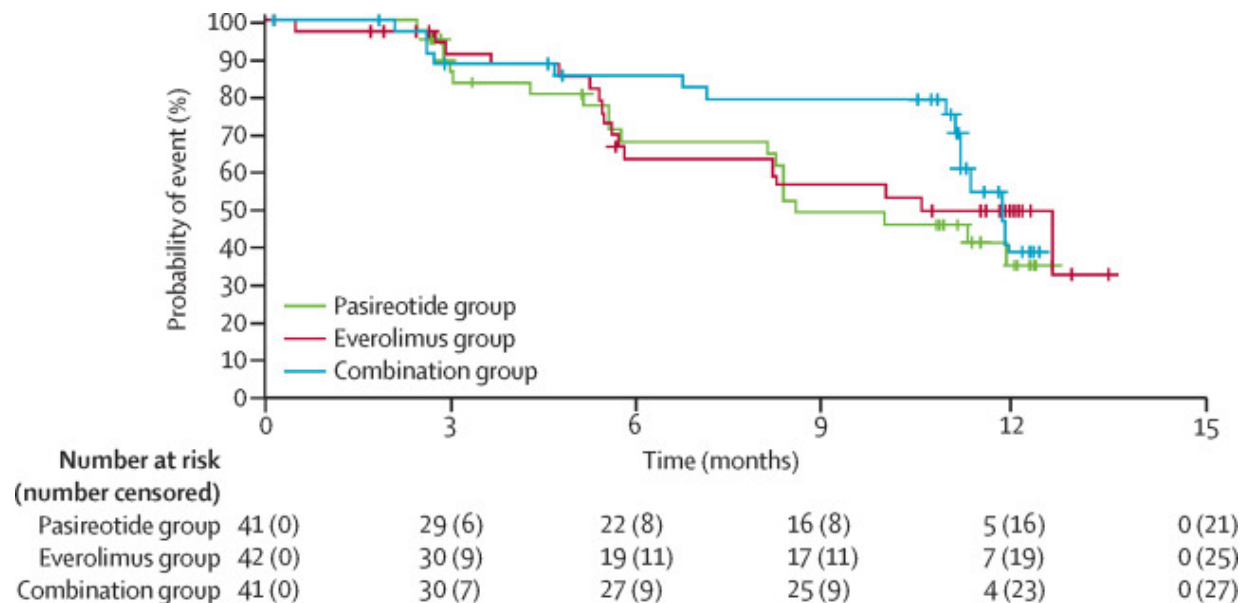
Efficacy and safety of long-acting pasireotide or everolimus alone or in combination in patients with advanced carcinoids of the lung and thymus: an open-label, multicentre, randomised, phase 2 trial



Endpoints:

- **Primary:** progression free at month 9
- **Key Secondary:** Median progression-free survival
- **Other Secondary:** Disease control at 12M, ORR, DCR, safety, HRQoL (FACT-G), WHO PS, NSE/CgA, PK

PFS by investigator assessment



	Pasireotide group (n=41)	Everolimus group (n=42)	Combination group (n=41)
Overall lesion response at month 9			
Complete response	0 (0%, 0·0–8·6)	0 (0%, 0·0–8·4)	0 (0%, 0·0–8·6)
Partial response	1 (2·4%, 0·1–12·9)	1 (2·4%, 0·1–12·6)	1 (2·4%, 0·1–12·9)
Stable disease	14 (34·1%, 20·1–50·6)	13 (31·0%, 17·6–47·1)	20 (48·8%, 32·9–64·9)
Progressive disease	7 (17·1%)	1 (2·4%)	0
Unknown	1 (2·4%)	2 (4·8%)	3 (7·3%)
Not assessed	18 (43·9%)	25 (59·5%)	17 (41·5%)
Discontinued before month 9	20 (48·8%)	24 (57·1%)	16 (39·0%)

Treatment Choices

Tools	Evidence level
- SSA	SPINET (early terminated), LUNA (Can extrapolate to other SSA?)
- Everolimus	
- Chemotherapy	
- PRRT	

RADIANT-4, the Phase III Study of Afinitor® in Treating Advanced Neuroendocrine Tumors



Adult patients with **advanced, non-functional, well-differentiated (G1/G2) NET of lung or GI origin** (N = 302)

- Pathologically confirmed advanced disease
- Absence of active or any history of carcinoid syndrome
- Enrolled within 6 months from radiologic progression

2:1 randomization was stratified by:

- Tumor origin
- WHO PS
- Prior somatostatin analogue treatment

Everolimus 10 mg/day
N = 205

Treated until PD, start of new cancer therapy, intolerable AE, or consent withdrawal

Placebo
N = 97

Primary Endpoints:

- PFS (central)

Key Secondary Endpoints:

- OS

Secondary Endpoints:

ORR, DCR, HRQoL, WHO PS, PK, changes in chromogranin A and neuron-specific enolase levels and safety

RADIANT-4: The RAD001 in Advanced Neuroendocrine Tumors, Fourth Trial; **PFS:** progress free survival; **OS:** overall survival; **ORR:** objective response rate; **DCR:** Disease control rate; **HRQoL:** health-related quality of life; **WHO PS:** WHO performance status; **PK:** pharmacokinetics

Baseline and Disease Characteristics

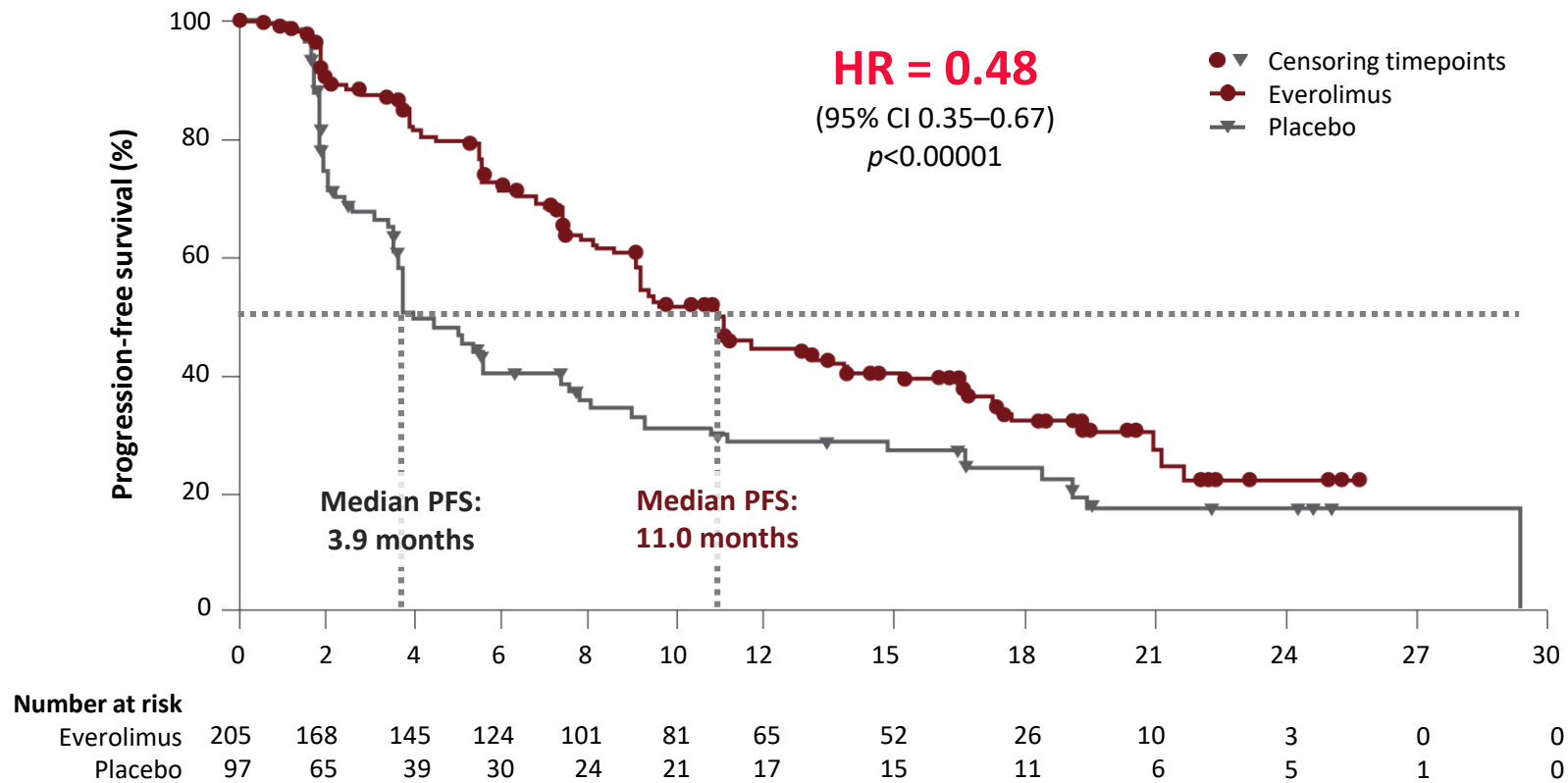
		Everolimus (n=205)	Placebo (n=97)
Age, years		65 (22-86)	60 (24-83)
Sex	Men	89 (43%)	53 (55%)
	Women	116 (57%)	44 (45%)
WHO performance status	0	149 (73%)	73 (75%)
	1	55 (27%)	24 (25%)
Primary tumor site	Lung	63 (31%)	27 (28%)
	Ileum	47 (23%)	24 (25%)
	Rectum	25 (12%)	15 (16%)
	Neuroendocrine tumor of unknown primary origin	23 (11%)	13 (13%)
	Jejunum	16 (8%)	6 (6%)
	Stomach	7 (3%)	4 (4%)
	Duodenum	8 (4%)	2 (2%)
	Colon	5 (2%)	3 (3%)
	Other	6 (3%)	2 (2%)
	Caecum	4 (2%)	1 (1%)
	Appendix	1 (1%)	0
Tumor grades	Grade 1	129 (63%)	65 (67%)
	Grade 2	75 (37%)	32 (33%)

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Progression Free Survival by Central Review

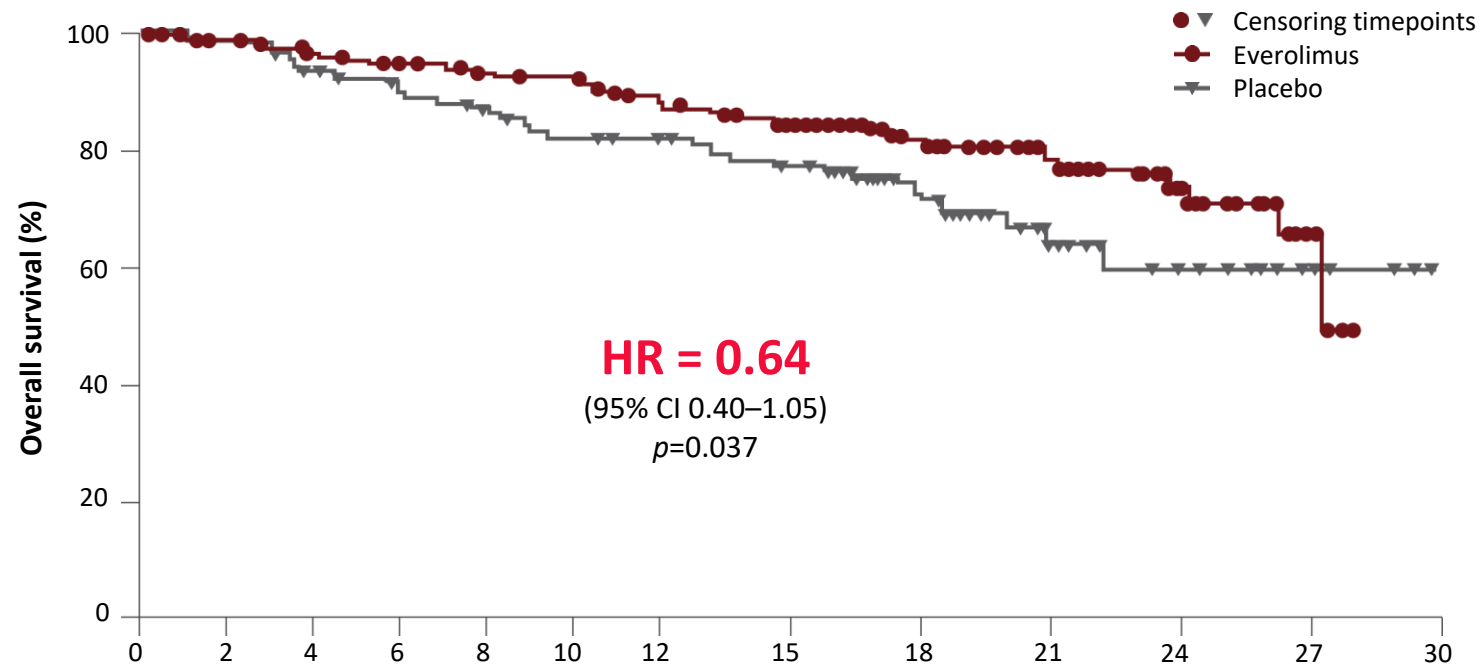
Afinitor reduced the relative risk of progression or death by **52%**



17.Yao JC, et al Lancet. 2016 Mar 5;387(10022):968-977.

Overall Survival by Central View

Afinitor reduced the estimated risk of death by **36%**



Number at risk

Everolimus	205	195	184	179	172	170	158	143	100	59	31	5	0
Placebo	97	94	86	80	75	70	67	61	42	21	13	5	0

Summary of RADIANT-4

Prolong Survival

- Afinitor demonstrated a statistically significant and clinically meaningful prolongation of PFS in patients with **well-differentiated, advanced, progressive, nonfunctional NET of lung or GI origin**

	Afinitor	Placebo	HR
Median PFS	11.0 months	3.9 months	0.48 $p < 0.00001$

- Afinitor also had a favorable effect on overall survival

	HR
Overall survival	0.64 $p = 0.037$

Reduce Tumor Size

- More patients who received Afinitor experienced tumor shrinkage

	Afinitor	Placebo
Tumor Shrinkage	64 %	26 %

Safety

- Safety profile of Afinitor was consistent with known side effects

Baseline and Disease Characteristics of Patients with Lung NETs (1)

Characteristics	Lung (N = 90)	
	Everolimus n=63	Placebo n=27
Age, median (range)	67 (34-86)	61 (24-80)
Male, n (%)	32 (51)	15 (56)
WHO performance status, n (%)	0	46 (73)
	1	16 (25)
Race, n (%)	Caucasian	53 (84)
	Asian	7 (11)
	Others	3 (5)
Tumor grade, n (%)	Grade 1	26 (41)
	Grade 2	26 (57)
Proliferation index by primary tumor, n (%)	< 2 mitoses/ 10 HPF	2 (3)
	> 2-10 mitoses/ 10 HPF	7 (11)
	≤ 2% Ki-67 index	6 (9)
	3-20 % Ki-67 index	37 (59)
	> 20% Ki-67 index	3 (5)
	Not done	8 (13)

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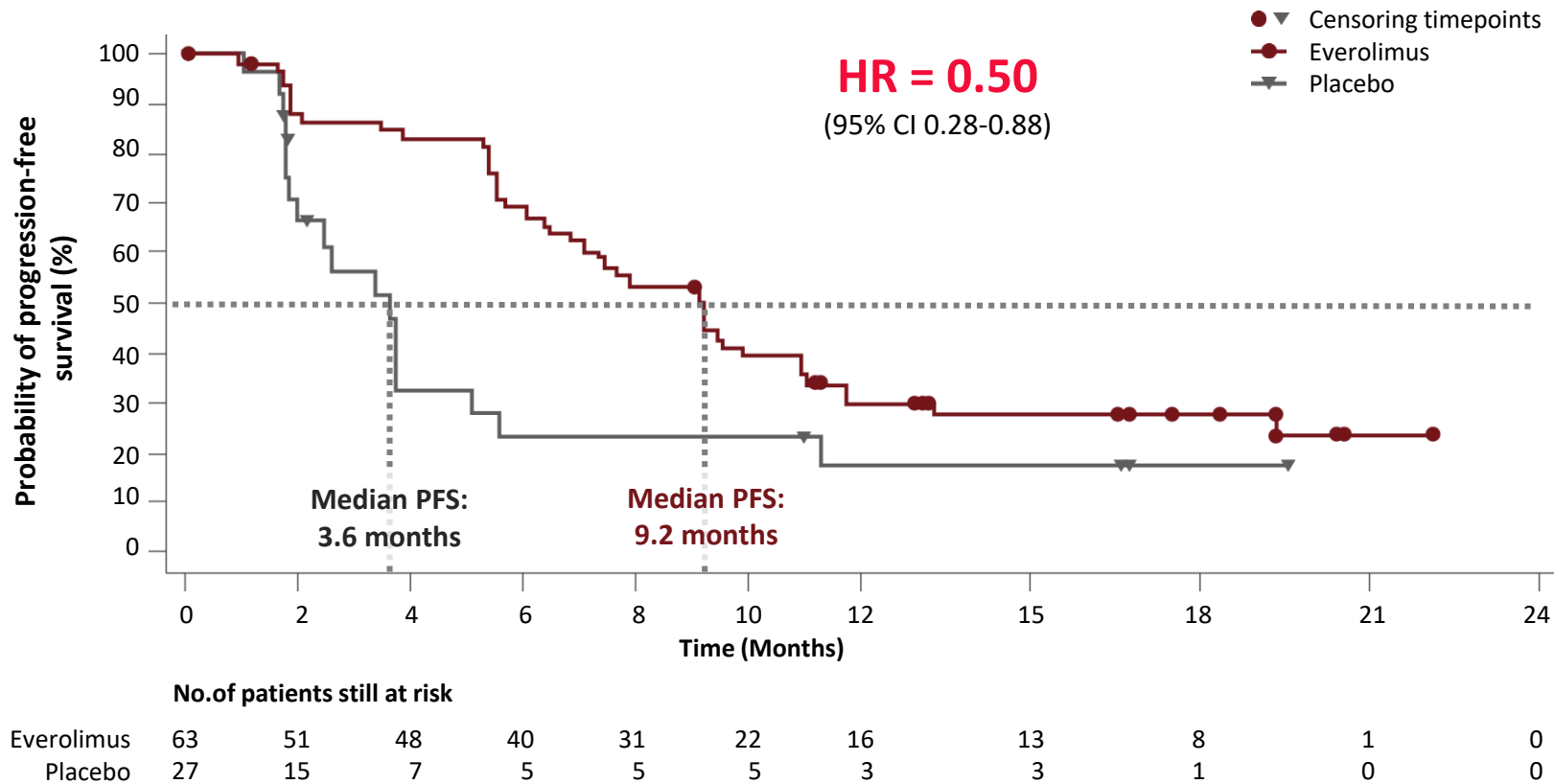
Baseline and Disease Characteristics of Patients with Lung NETs (2)

Characteristics		Lung (N = 90)	
		Everolimus n=63	Placebo n=27
Median time from initial diagnosis to randomization months (range)		25.8 (2.2-258.4)	37.5 (3.7-303.3)
Metastatic extent of disease, n (%)	Hepatic (with or without other organ) involvement	43 (68)	20 (74)
	Extra-hepatic	20 (32)	7 (26)
Prior treatments, n (%)	Surgery	33 (52)	18 (67)
	Somatostatin analogs	27 (43)	11 (41)
	Chemotherapy	25 (40)	13 (48)
	Radiotherapy including peptide receptor radionuclide therapy	25 (40)	13 (48)
Liver tumor burden	None	14 (22)	5 (18)
	> 0 to 10%	33 (52)	17 (63)
	> 10% to 25%	10 (16)	2 (7)
	> 25%	6 (10)	3 (11)

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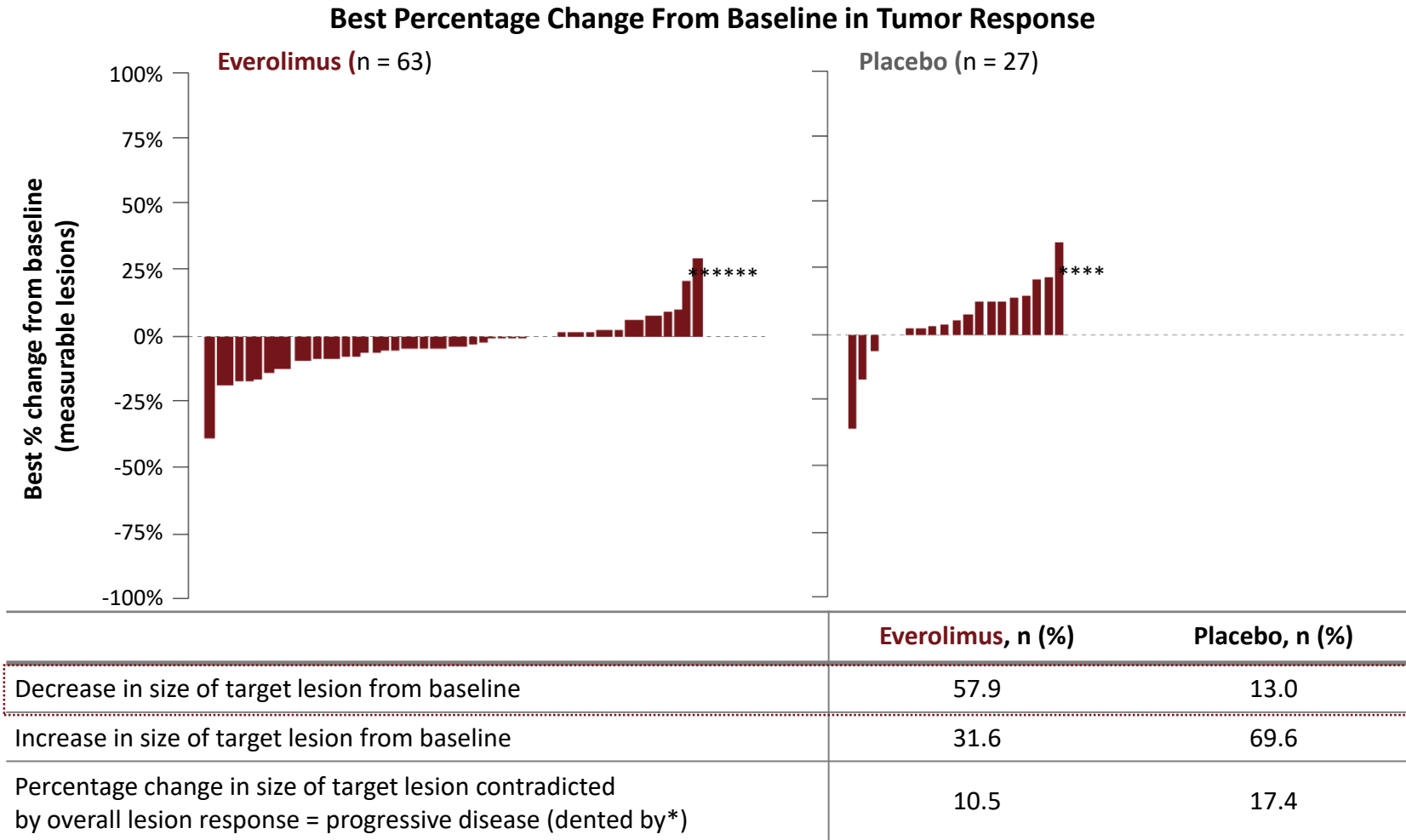
Progression Free Survival by Central Review

Afinitor reduced the relative risk of progression or death by **50%**



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More Patients who Received Afinitor Experienced Tumor Shrinkage



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Similar Safety Profile in Patients with Lung NETs

Lung Preferred Term, n (%)	Everolimus n=62*		Placebo n=27	
	All grades	Grade 3 or 4	All grades	Grade 3 or 4
Stomatitis [†]	38 (61)	7 (11)	7 (26)	0
Rash	22 (35)	0	1 (4)	0
Fatigue	20 (32)	2 (3)	5 (22)	0
Peripheral edema	17 (27)	2 (3)	0	0
Diarrhea	16 (26)	3 (5)	2 (7)	0
Infections [‡]	14 (23)	5 (8)	1 (4)	0
Asthenia	14 (23)	1 (2)	0	0
Anemia	13 (21)	2 (3)	1 (4)	0
Decreased appetite	13 (21)	0	2 (7)	0
Nausea	12 (19)	2 (3)	3 (11)	0
Pyrexia	12 (19)	2 (3)	1 (4)	0
Hyperglycemia	11 (18)	6 (10)	2 (7)	0
Dyspnea	9 (14)	1 (2)	3 (11)	1 (4)
Non-infectious pneumonitis	8 (13)	1 (2)	1 (4)	0
Dysgeusia	8 (13)	0	1 (4)	0
Cough	8 (13)	0	1 (4)	0
Pruritus	7 (11)	1 (2)	0	0
Dry mouth	7 (11)	0	0	0
Weight decreased	5 (8)	1 (2)	3 (11)	0

*In everolimus arm, 1 patient withdraw the consent. [†]Includes stomatitis, aphthous stomatitis, mouth ulceration, and glossitis. [‡]Includes all infections.

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Summary of RADIANT-4 in Lung NETs

Prolong Survival

- Afinitor was associated with clinically meaningful improvement of PFS in patients with **advanced, progressive, well-differentiated, non-functional lung NET**

	Afinitor	Placebo	HR
Median PFS	9.2 months	3.6 months	0.50 (95% CI 0.28-0.88)

Reduce Tumor Size

- More patients who received Afinitor experienced tumor shrinkage

	Afinitor	Placebo
Tumor Shrinkage	57.9 %	13.0%

Well Tolerated

- Afinitor was well tolerated with no new safety signals

「藥品給付規定」修訂對照表

第9節 抗腫瘤藥物 Antineoplastics drugs

(自108年10月1日生效)

使用於無法切除、局部晚期或轉移之胃腸道或**肺部來源之非功能性神經內分泌腫瘤**成人病患，需同時符合下列條件：(108/10/1) (1)腫瘤分化程度為良好者。(2)為進展性腫瘤，即過去12個月影像檢查為持續惡化者(RECIST定義為疾病惡化者)。
(3)不可合併使用化學藥物或其他標靶藥物。

Treatment Choices

Tools	Evidence level
- SSA	SPINET (early terminated), LUNA (Can extrapolate to other SSA?)
- Everolimus	RADIANT4
- Chemotherapy	
- PRRT	

Chemotherapy

Study	C/T regimen	n	ORR	PFS
Forde, et al	Etoposide+ cisplatin	17	23.5%	7 mon
Faure, et al	Folfox	31 (lung n=8)	29%	14.1 mon
Spada, et al	Oxaliplatin based (G+O, Xeloda+O, Folfox)	78 (lung=19)	26%	8 mon
Al-Toubah T ^{et} al.	Temozolamide+ Xeloda	20	30%	13 mon

- Very little data, no RCT, limited numbers...
- The best regimen ?

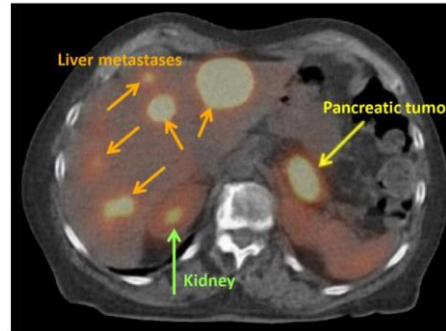
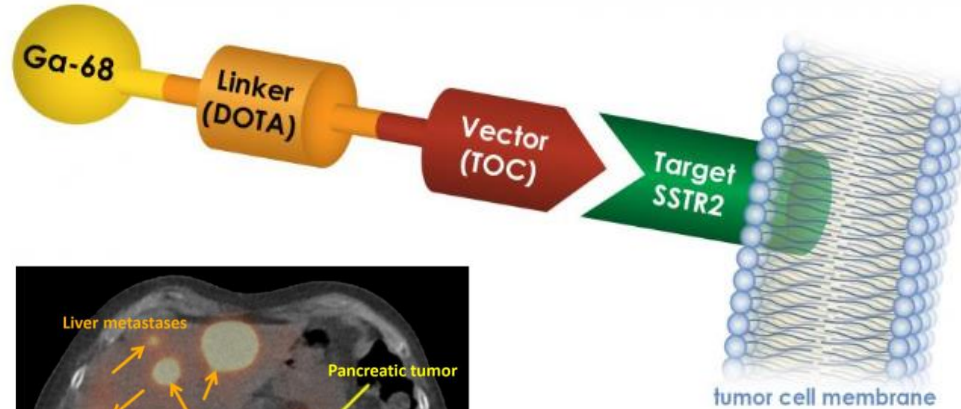
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Treatment Choices

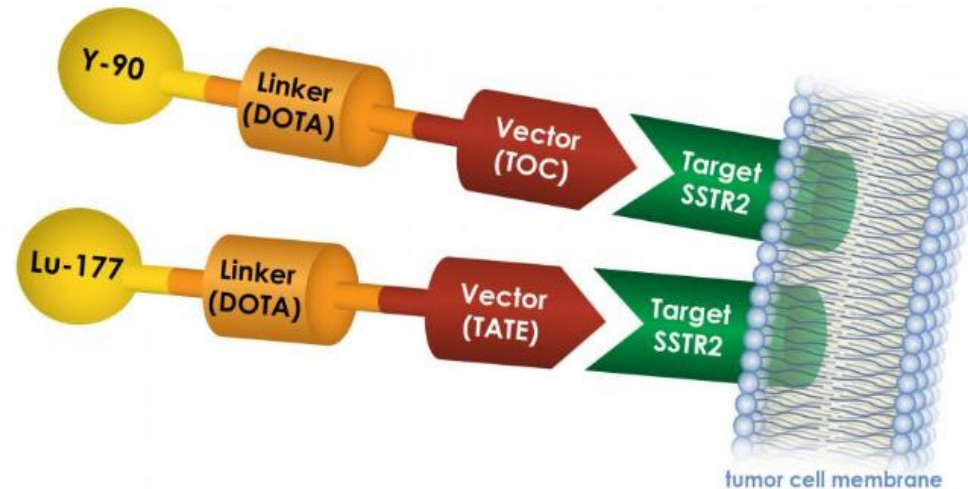
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- SSA	SPINET (early terminated), LUNA (Can extrapolate to other SSA?)
- Everolimus	RADIANT4
- Chemotherapy	Case series
- PRRT	

Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy (PRRT)

- **Theranostics: A Combination of Diagnosis and Therapy**
- Targeted delivery of **cytotoxic radioactivity** to tumors that strongly express **somatostatin receptors (SSTRs)**
- **Only One phase 3 study (NETTLER study)** demonstrated efficacy in midgut NET.



Ga68 DOTA-TOC scan.



Midgut NET: NETTER 1—Phase 3 Study of ¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate + Octreotide vs. High-Dose Octreotide

MidGut !!, **no lung NET**

Treatment and Assessments

Tumor burden assessment (RECIST criteria) every 12 weeks

Dose 1 Dose 2 Dose 3 Dose 4
↓ ↓ ↓ ↓

Baseline
and
randomization

n = 115

4 administrations of 7.4 GBq of ¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate every 8 weeks + octreotide LAR 30 mg

n = 115

Octreotide LAR 60 mg every 4 weeks

5 years
of
follow-
up

RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors.

Strosberg J et al. Presented at: European Cancer Congress 2015; September 25-29, 2015; Vienna, Austria.

For distribution in response to an unsolicited request for medical information subject to local NP4 approval.

NETTER-1: PFS

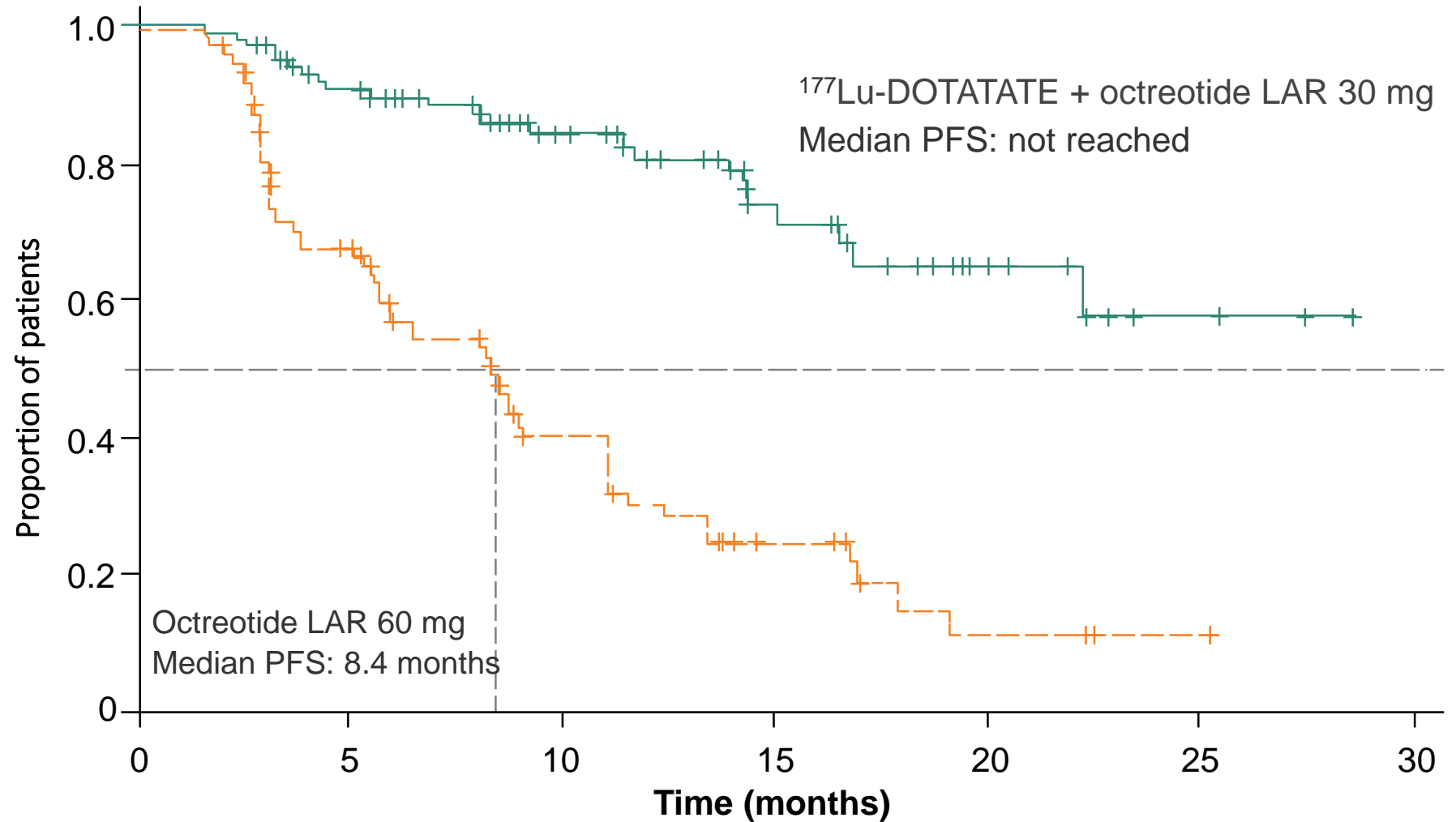
N = 229 (ITT)

Number of events: 90

- ^{177}Lu -DOTATATE: 23
- Octreotide 60 mg LAR: 67

HR 0.209; 95% CI: 0.129, 0.338

$P < 0.0001$



ITT, intention to treat.

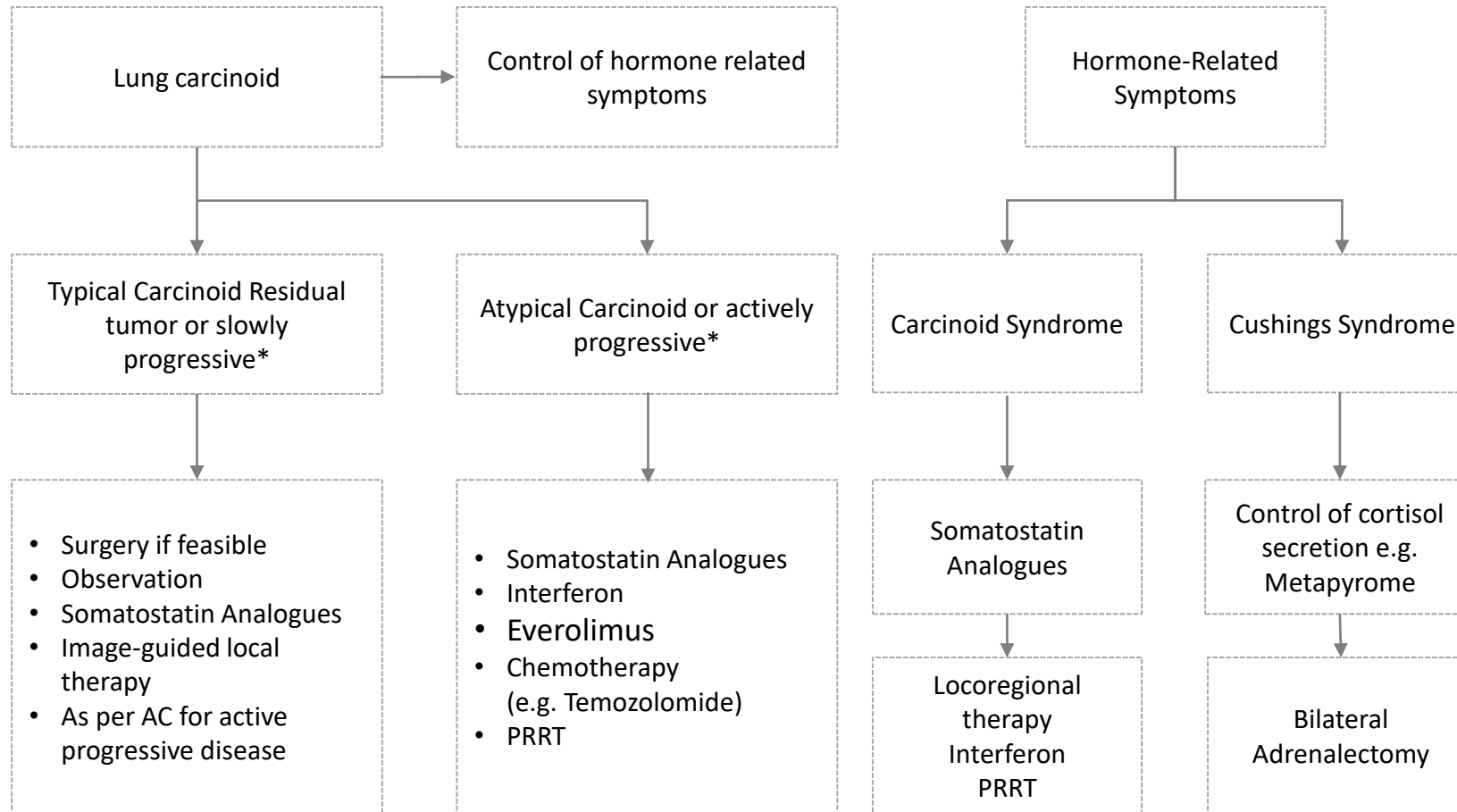
PRRT series n LNET	n other NET	Isotope	Major findings	
Mariniello A, 2016	114	-	⁹⁰ Y; ¹⁷⁷ Lu; ⁹⁰ Y + ¹⁷⁷ Lu	PR/minor response in 26.5%, associated with longer OS, PFS
Ianniello A, 2016	34	-	Prospective sequential pts with PD; ¹⁷⁷ Lu	DCR for TC = 80%: CR=6%, PR=27%, SD=47%) mPFS = 20m (95%CI 12 – 27) FDG –PET may predict non responders; TTF-1 prognostic
Lim, 2019	35	-	¹⁷⁷ Lu	mOS= 33m (range 2-91)
Brabander T, 2017 (Erasmus)				PR= 7, SD= 7, PD =6, 3= N/E
Imnof, 2011				with CR= 0
Demirci E, 2019				
Koffas, 2016				6m (abstract only)
Baum, 2018				T = 40m
Villard, 2012				0 y; HR: 0.64; p=0.006
Parghane 2017 (India)				
Horsch D, 2016 (German registry)				val data for LNET only)
Bodei L, 2016				
Mandair D, 2017				
Sharma, 2018	18	135 all sites well-diff NET	⁹⁰ Y (83%), ¹⁷⁷ Lu	mTTP all = 23.9m mTTP LNET = 18.6m
van Essen, 2007	9	5 gastric, 2 thymic	¹⁷⁷ Lu	mTTP = 31m
Khan S, 2011	?	265 GEP + LNET	¹⁷⁷ Lu	Improved QOL, PS
Sabet, 2017	22		¹⁷⁷ Lu	Med PFS = 27m PR= 6, SD= 9, PD= 7
Garske-Roman, 2018	6	200 all sites, mainly GEP	¹⁷⁷ Lu	Med PFS for lung = 18m
Gabriel, 2019	4	34 GEP, 2 UP, 2 non-NET	⁹⁰ Y	12 year f/u (retrospective), mOS= 79m, 32% of all pts still alive

- Sounds rationale !! (Theranostics)
- Case series only; retrospective; highly selected
- No randomized phase 3 study

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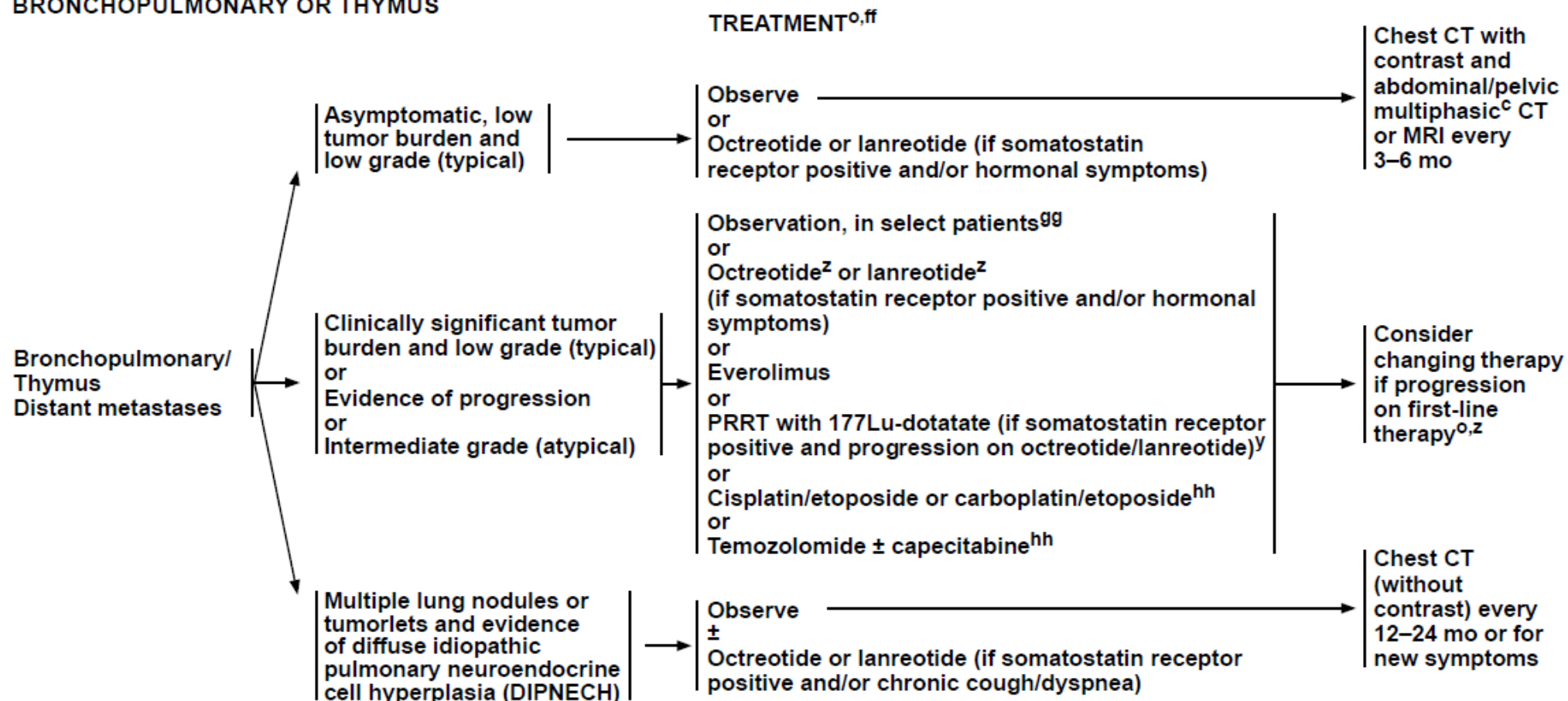
ENETS Consensus & Recommendations for Pulmonary Carcinoids (2015)



*Progression is defined according to RECIST criteria. **PRRT**: peptide radiolabeled receptor radiotherapy.



MANAGEMENT OF DISTANT METASTASES^o BRONCHOPULMONARY OR THYMUS



^cMultiphasic imaging studies are performed with IV contrast.

^oSee [Principles of Systemic Anti-Tumor Therapy \(NE-D\)](#).

^ySee [Principles of Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy \(PRRT\) with 177Lu-dotatate \(NE-E\)](#).

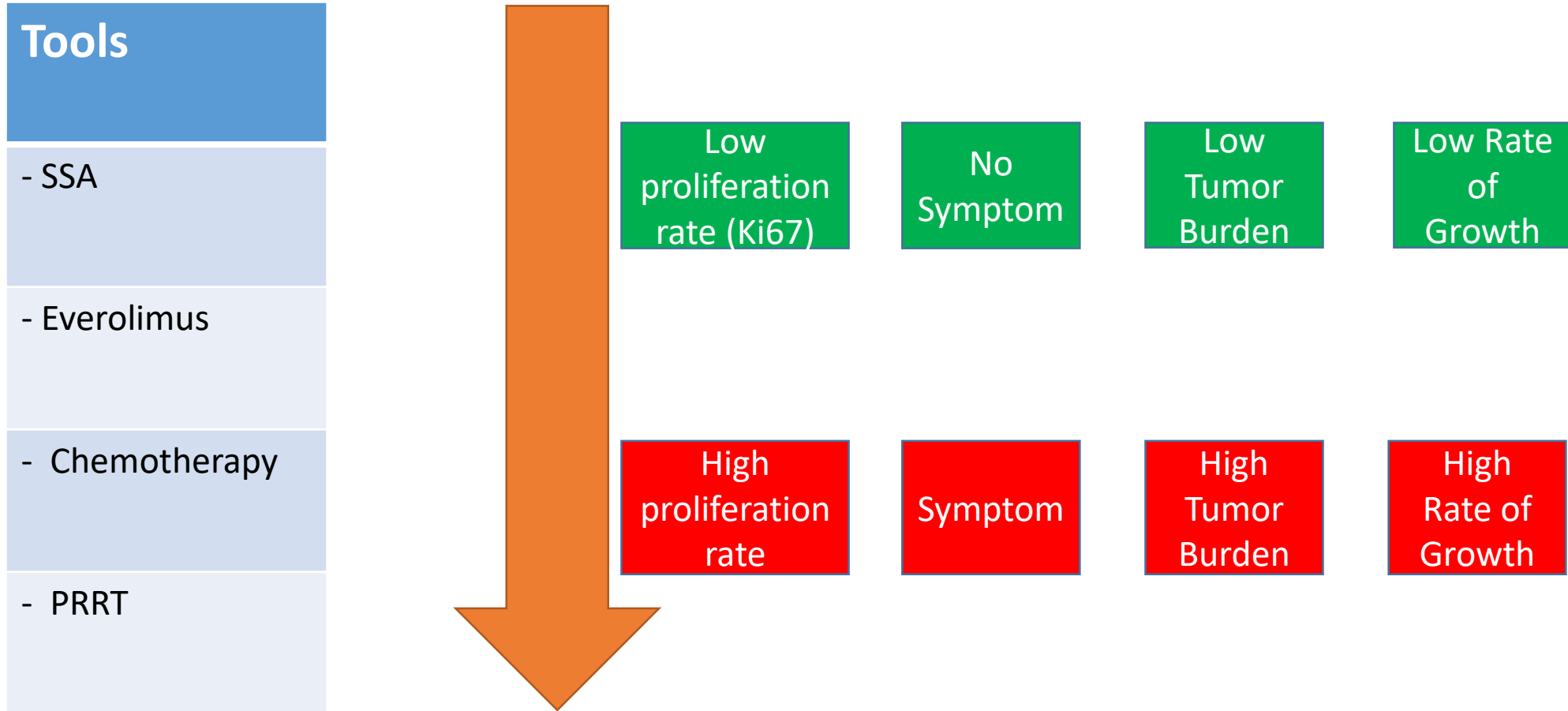
^zIf disease progression, treatment with octreotide or lanreotide should be discontinued for non-functional tumors and continued in patients with functional tumors; those regimens may be used in combination with any of the subsequent options. For details on the administration of octreotide or lanreotide with 177Lu-dotatate, see [NE-E](#).

^{ff}Neuroendocrine tumors are highly heterogeneous and all elements need to be considered (eg, burden of disease, symptoms, histopathology, rate of growth) when determining the best course of treatment.

^{gg}Observation can be considered if asymptomatic or for tumors on the lower end of the spectrum.

^{hh}Can be considered for intermediate-grade/atypical tumors with Ki-67 proliferative index and mitotic index in the higher end of the defined spectrum.

How I treat NET patients



Take Home Message

1. Lung NET WHO 2015 categories need urgent refinement
2. Lung NET/NEC are more **heterogenous** than expected
3. **Biology** is King. **Patient selection** is Queen.
4. RADIANT4 study demonstrated **Afinitor** prolongation of PFS in patients with well-differentiated, advanced, progressive, nonfunctional NET of lung (**Most Evidence of any therapy**).
5. We need more reliable clinical trials in pulmonary NETs.