

Immunothérapie appliquée à la personne âgée

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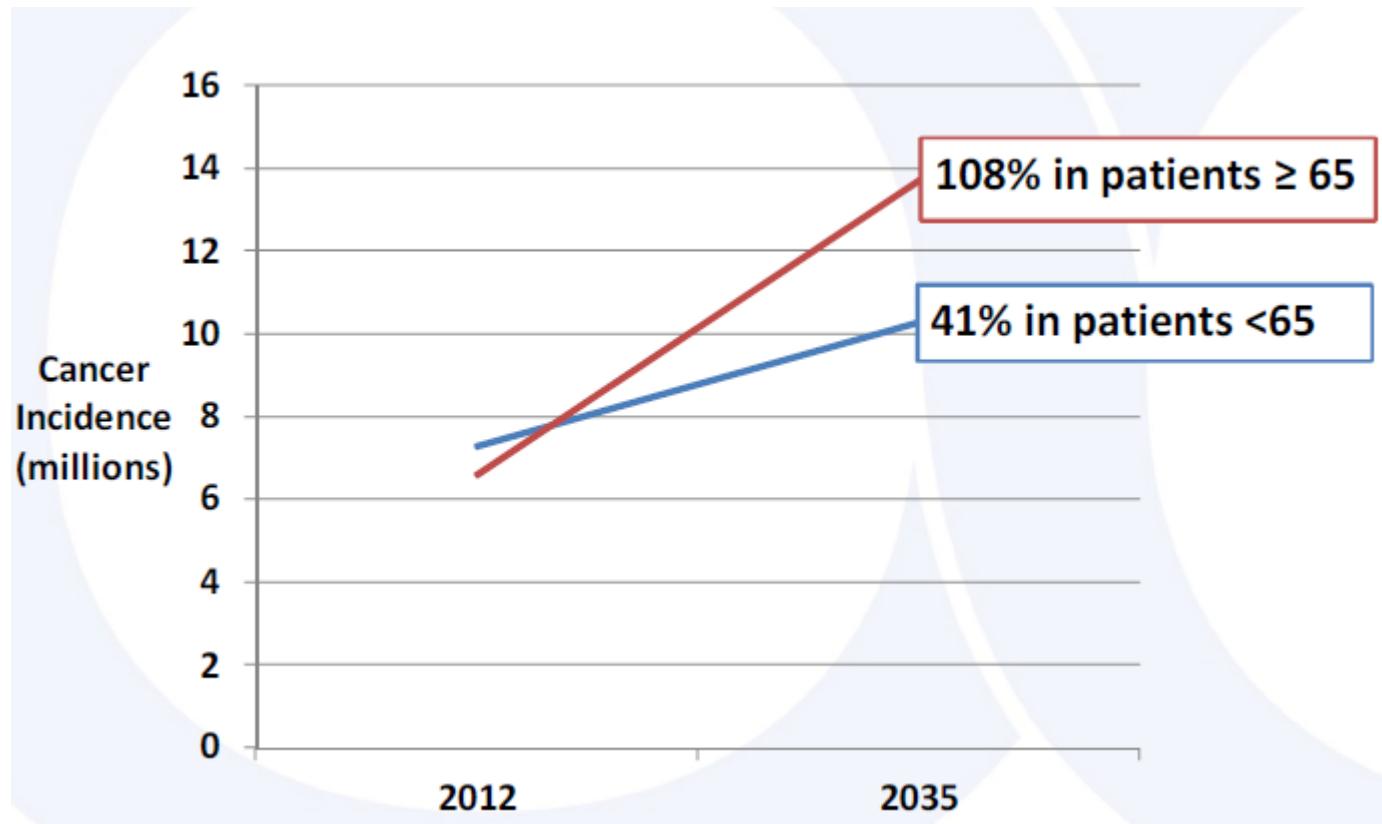
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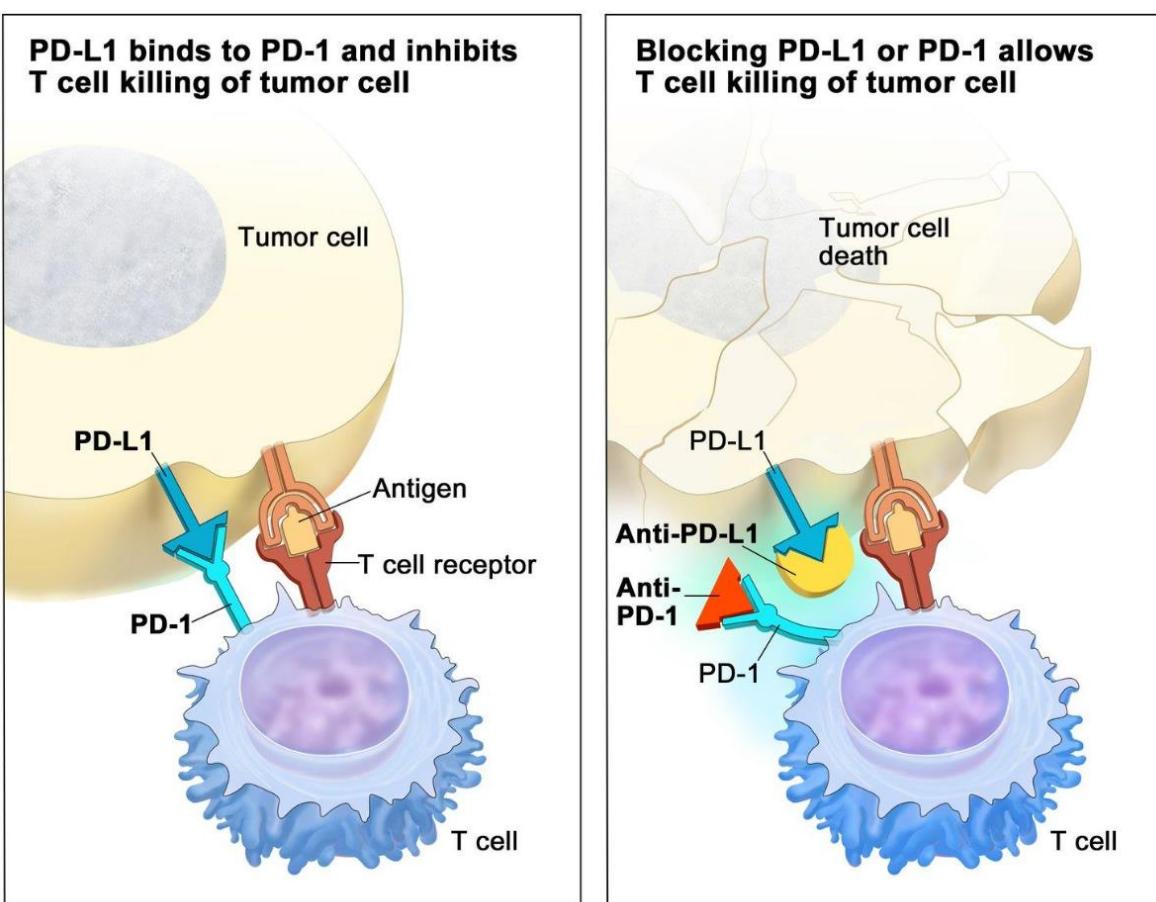
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Projected Rise in Cancer Incidence from 2012 to 2035



How do immune checkpoint inhibitors work against cancer?



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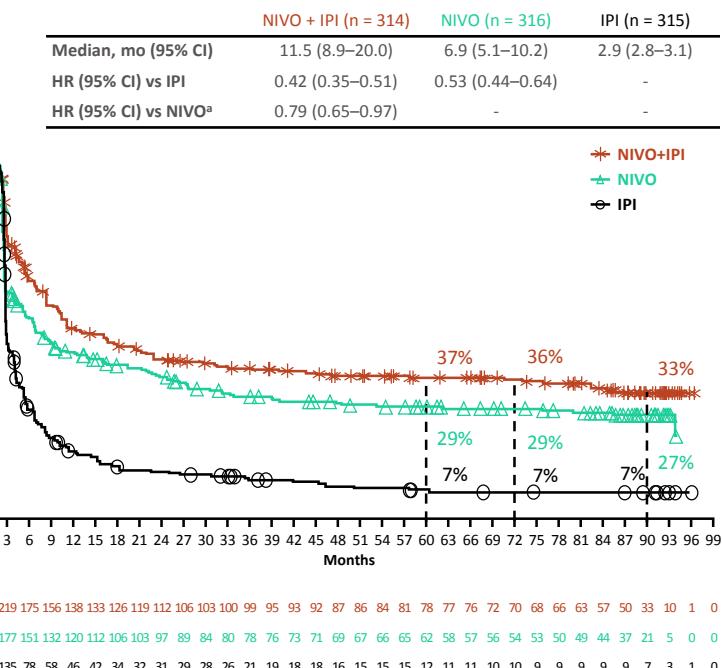
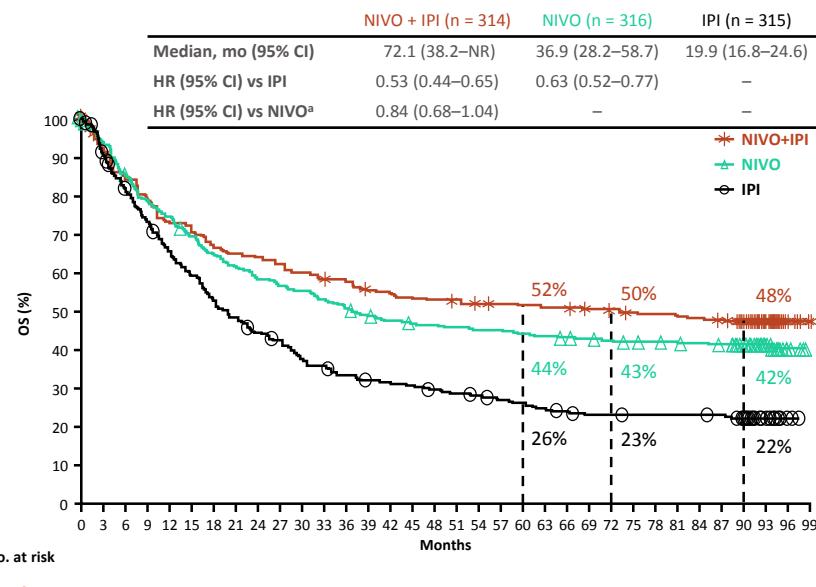
Approved immune checkpoint inhibitors

Mechanism of action	Generic name	Trade name
CTLA-4 inhibitor	Ipilimumab	Yervoy (Bristol Myers Squibb)
PD-1 inhibitor	Pembrolizumab	Keytruda (Merck)
	Cemiplimab	Libtayo (Regeneron/Sanofi Genzyme)
	Nivolumab	Opdivo (Bristol Myers Squibb)
PD-L1 inhibitor	Atezolizumab	Tecentriq (Genentech/Roche)
	Avelumab	Bavencio (EMD Serono/Pfizer)
	Durvalumab	Imfinzi (AstraZeneca)

Which cancers are treated with immune checkpoint inhibitors?

- ◆ Solid tumors: breast cancer, bladder cancer, cervical cancer, colon cancer, head and neck cancer, liver cancer, renal cancer, lung cancer, melanoma, stomach cancer, rectal cancer..
- ◆ Hodgkin lymphoma

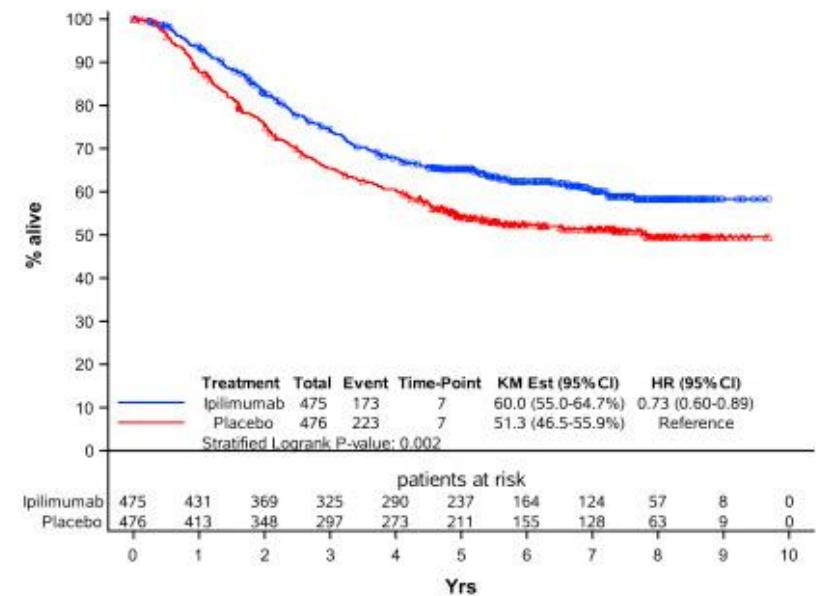
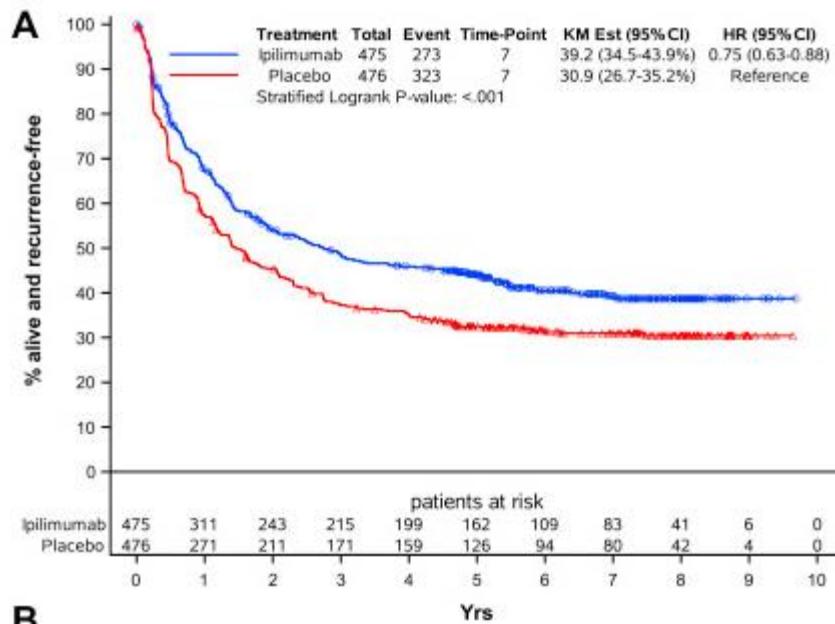
CheckMate 067 trial – Long-term overall survival and progression-free survival with nivolumab + ipilimumab in advanced melanoma



- Median duration of response remains unreached in patients treated with NIVO + IPI, was reached for NIVO (90.8 months), and remains 19.2 months for IPI

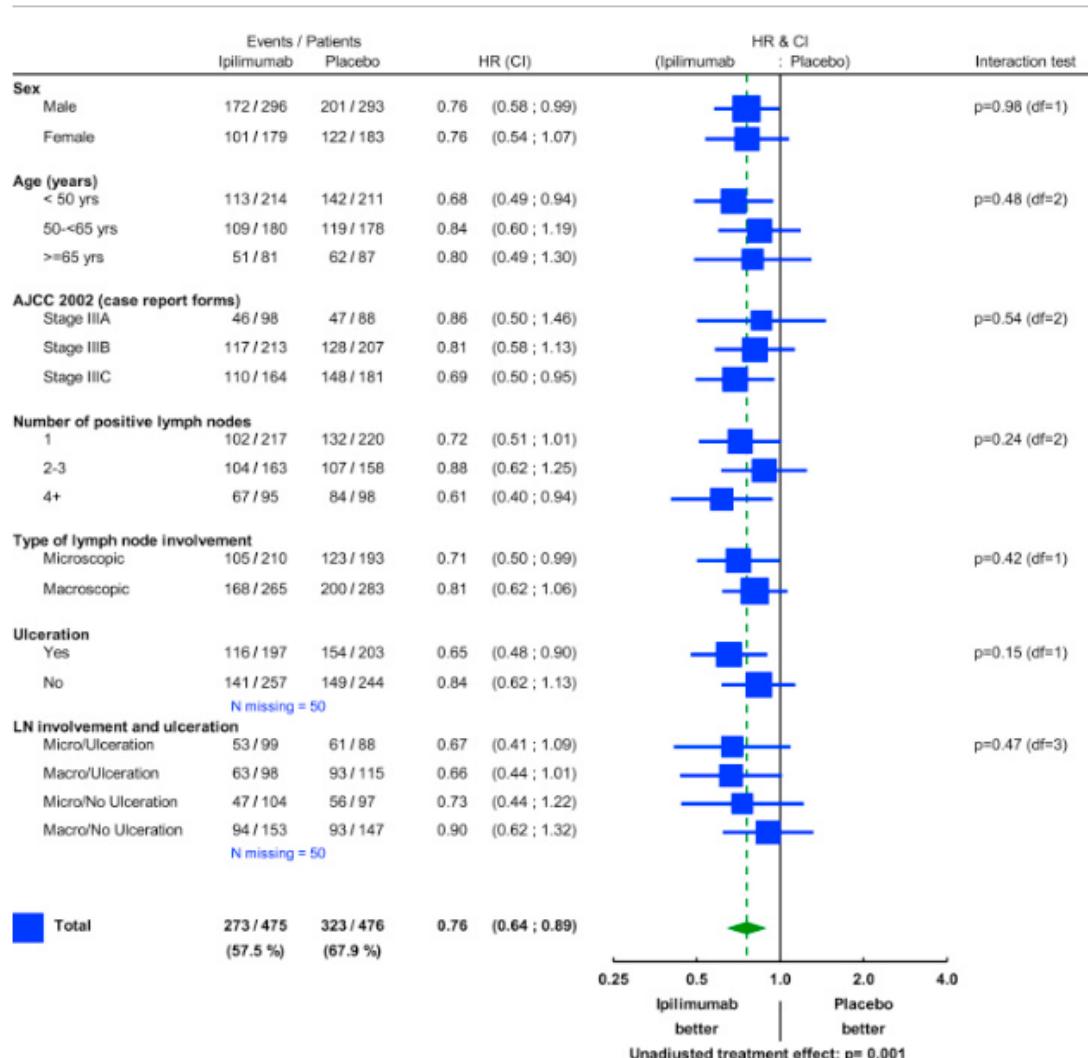
^aDescriptive analysis. IPI, ipilimumab; NIVO, nivolumab; NR, not reached; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

Adjuvant ipilimumab versus placebo after complete resection of stage III melanoma



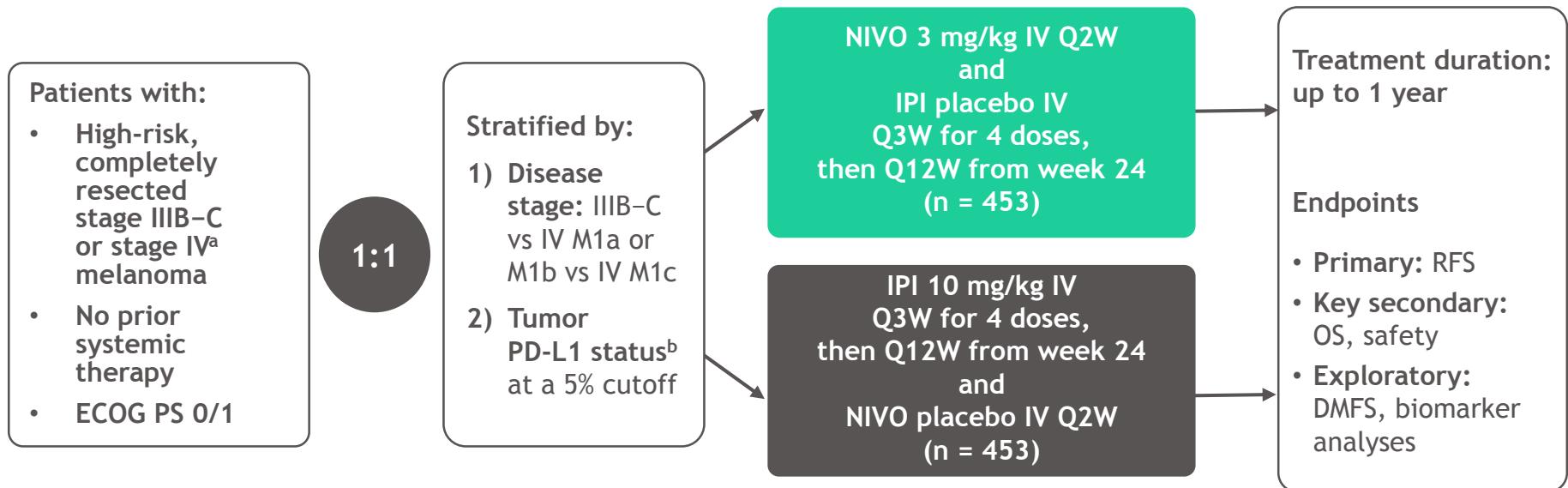
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Benefits are independent of age





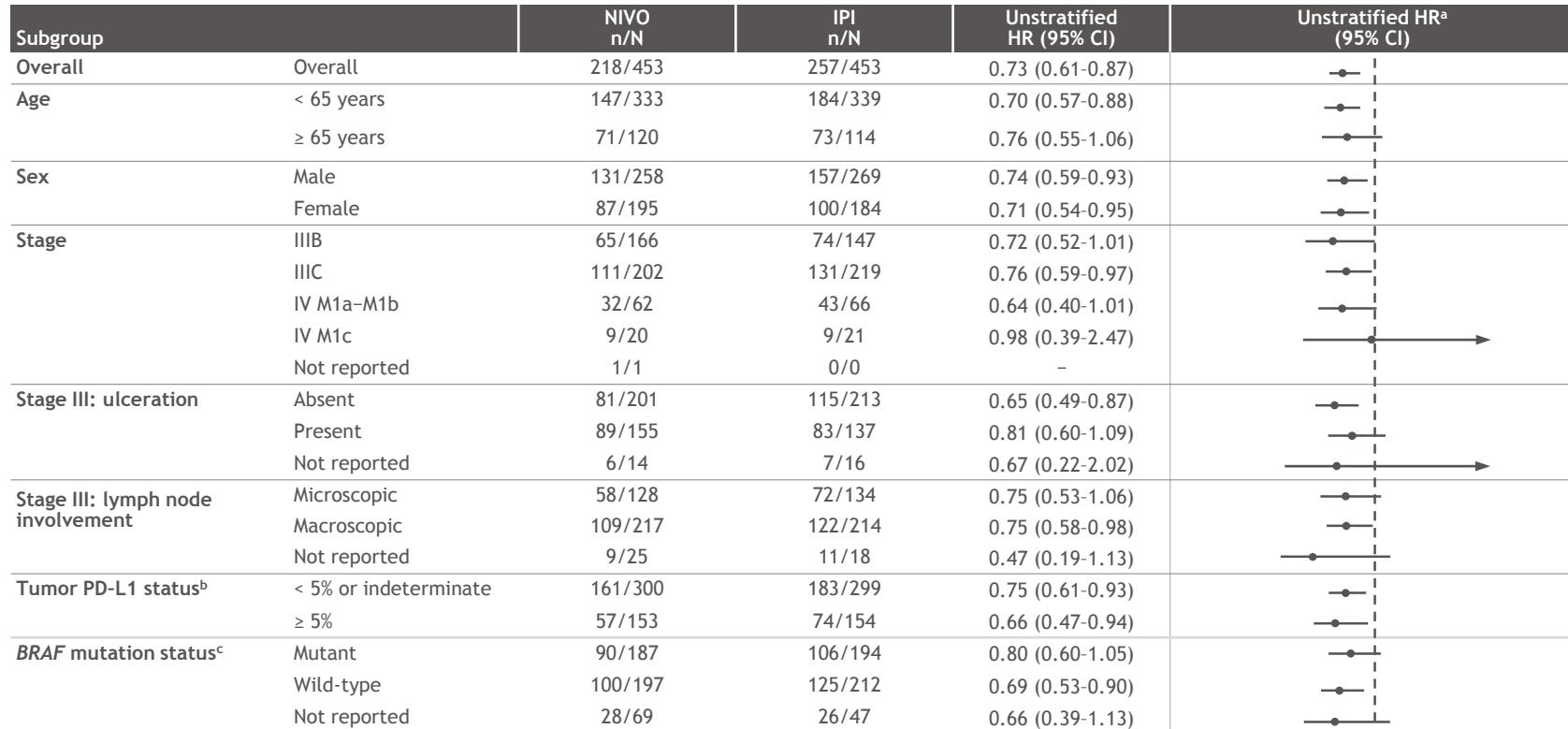
CheckMate 238 study design



- Current analysis (database lock Mar 12, 2021; minimum 62.0 months follow-up)
 - Median follow-up of 61.5 months for NIVO and 61.2 months for IPI
 - Updated RFS with subgroup analyses, DMFS, and OS
 - Exploratory biomarker analysis
 - Safety analysis was not updated: all patients off study treatment > 100 days at 18-month analysis

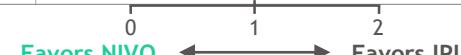
NCT02388906.^aPer American Joint Committee on Cancer, Cancer Staging Manual, 7th Edition. ^bPD-L1 IHC 28-8 pharmDx assay.
PD-L1, programmed death-ligand 1; PS, performance status.

60-Month RFS update: pre-specified subgroup analysis



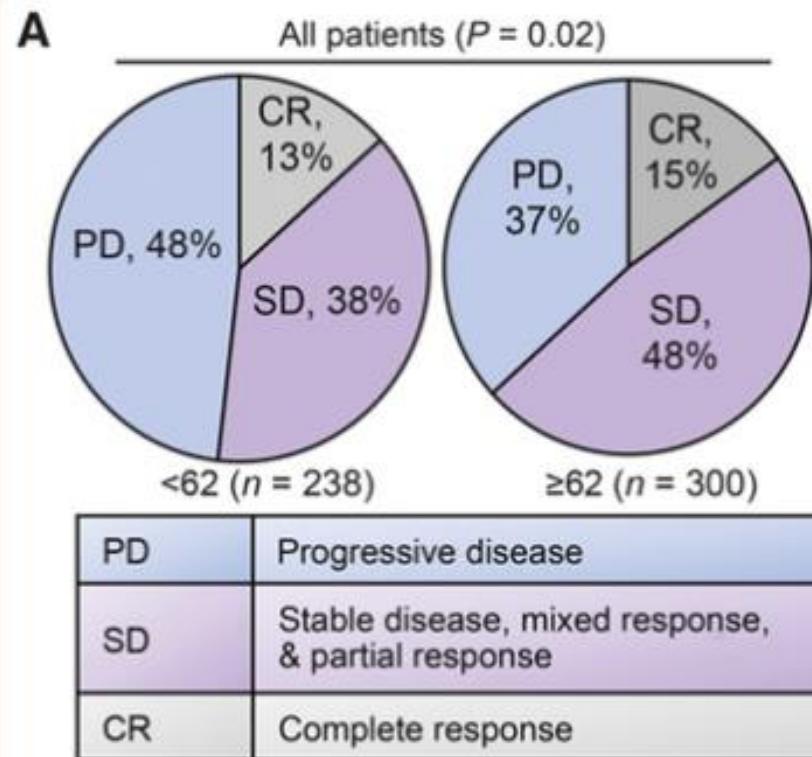
^aStratified HR = 0.72 (95% CI, 0.60-0.86). ^bPD-L1 IHC 28-8 pharmDx assay; status determined as percentage of tumor cells.

^cV600E/K. PD-L1, programmed death-ligand 1.

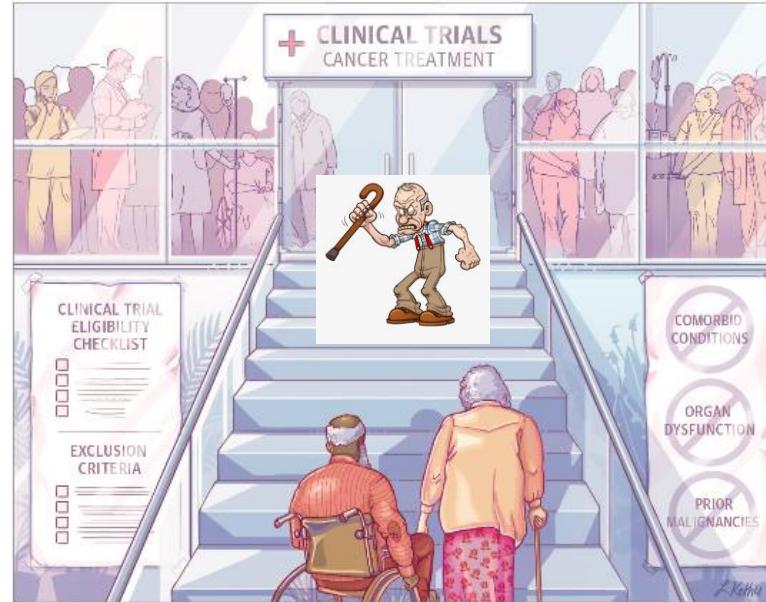


Weber et al, 2017

Can Age Affect Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors?



Under representation of (realworld) older patients in clinical trials



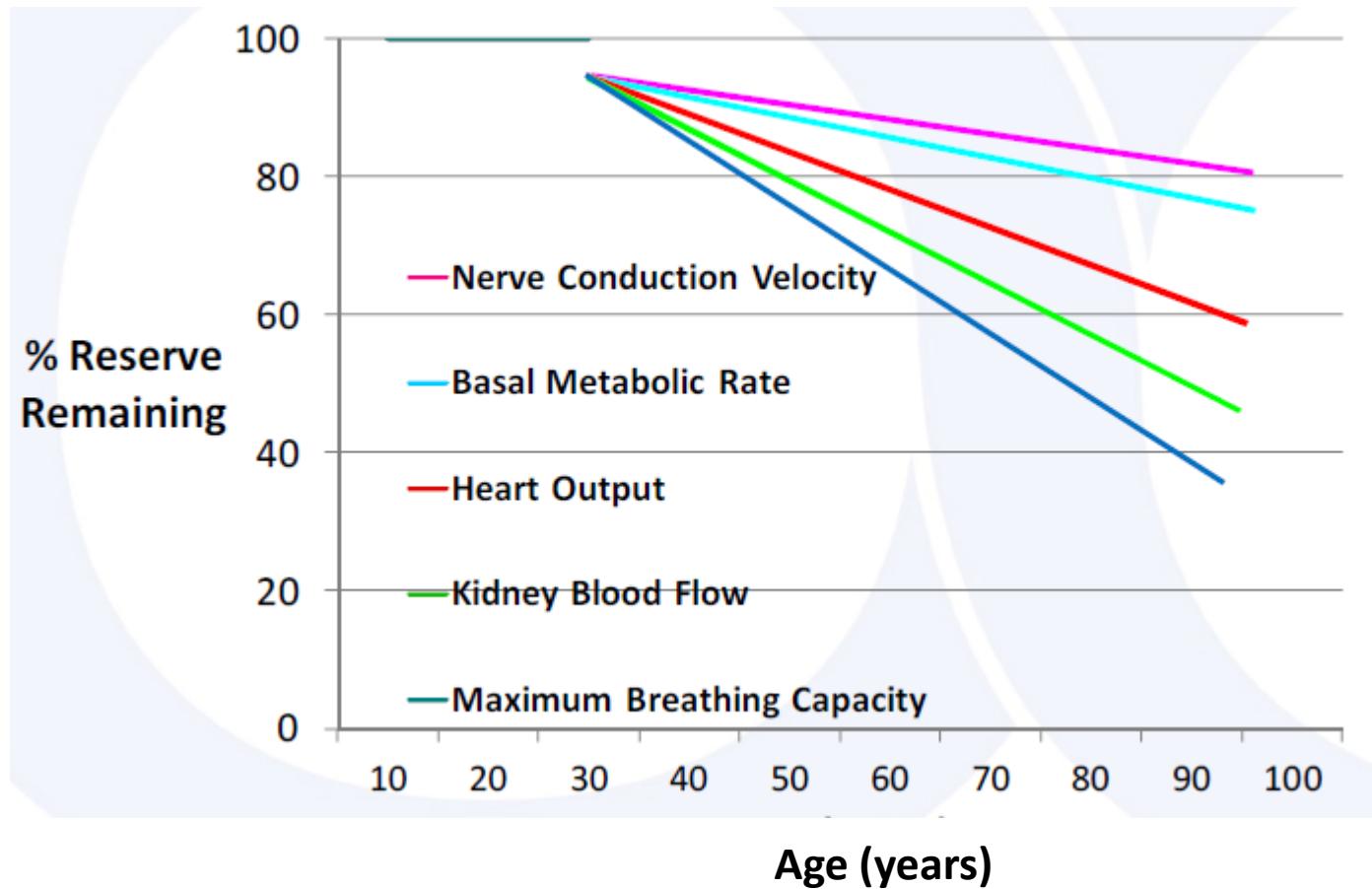
Evidence-based management of older patients with BC is challenging:

- End-points used in cancer trials can be less relevant to older patients
- Most of the efficacy and safety data which underpin treatment decisions is based on small case series, retrospective cohorts or sub-analysis of general population studies.

Geriatrics... patients are different with the same chronological age



Linear Decline Of Organ Reserve With Increasing Age



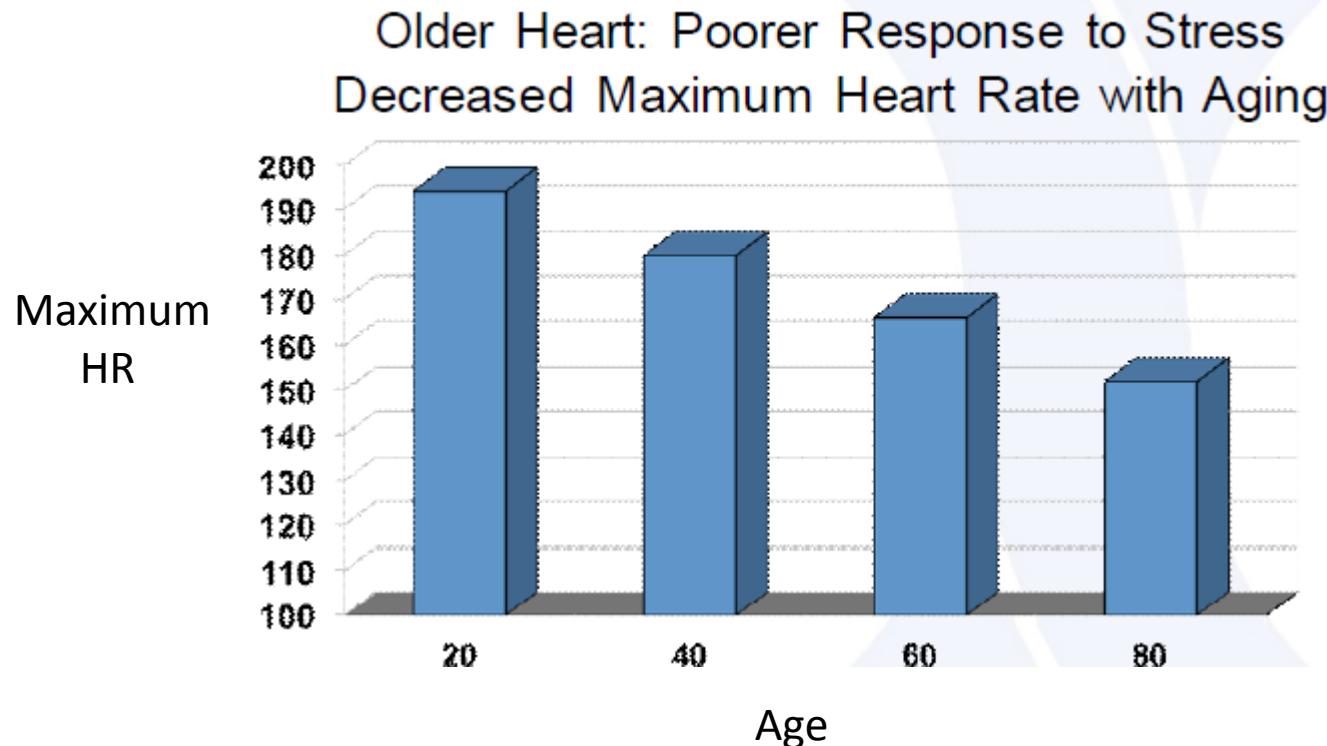
Decline in Organ Function Not Obvious

Renal Function Decreases with Aging

Age	Creatinine (mg/dL)	CrCl* (ml/min)
40	1.4	79
50	1.4	71
60	1.4	63
70	1.4	55
80	1.4	47
90	1.4	39
100	1.4	32

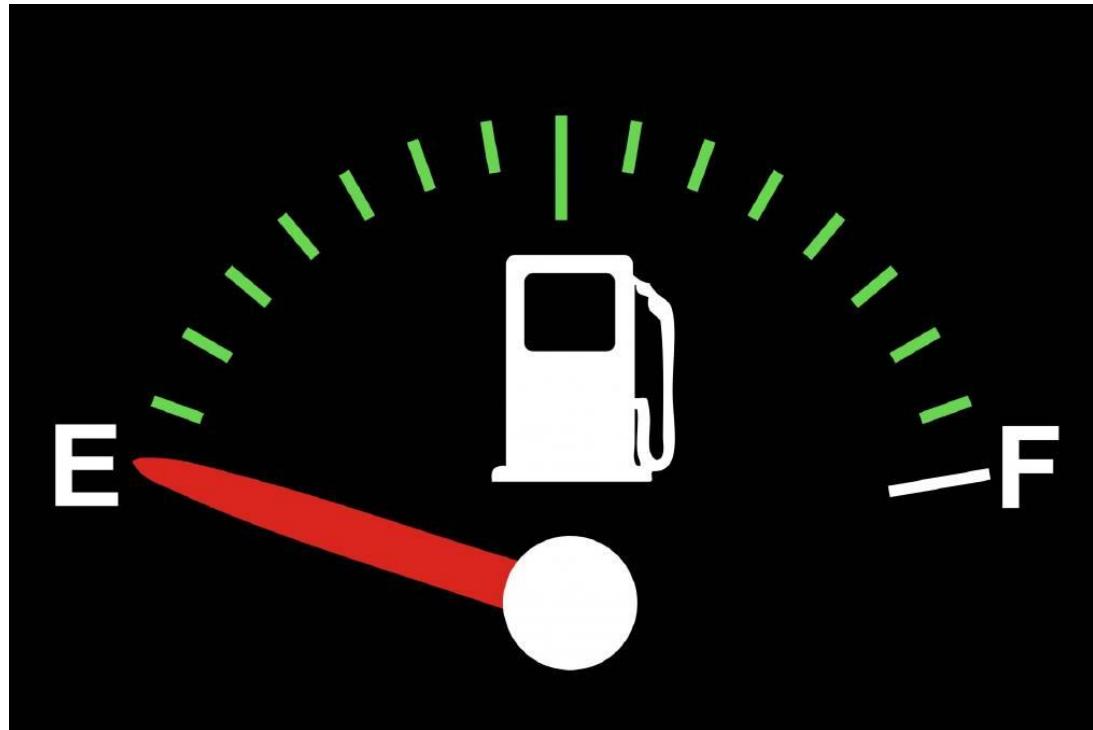
Creatinine: Not an adequate measure of renal function

Decline in Organ Function Becomes Apparent with a Stressor



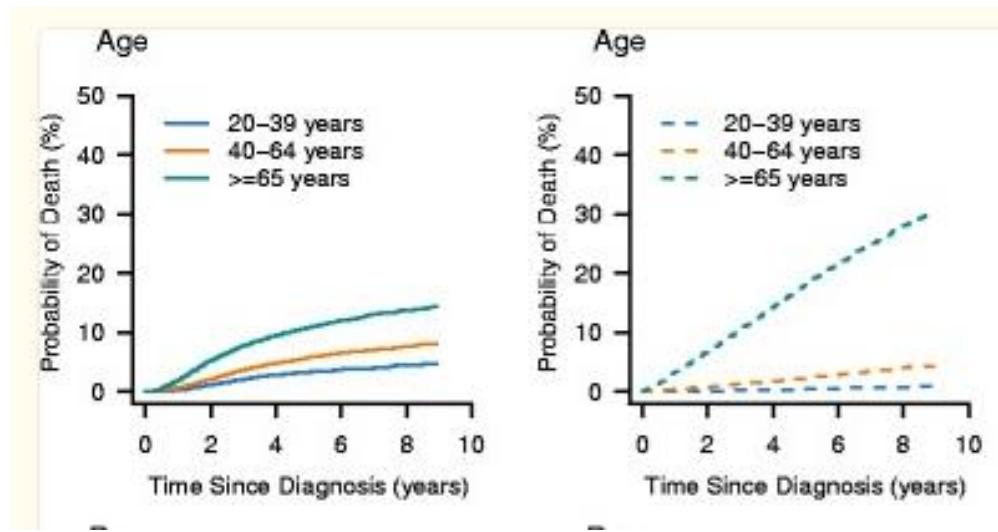
$$\text{Maximum HR} = 208 - (0.7 \times \text{age})$$

Hallmark of Aging: Decreased Physiologic Reserve



Cancer prognosis: we might have OVERTREATMENT if treated identically to younger patients

A sizeable proportion of older patients with melanoma die of NON-CANCER-related causes

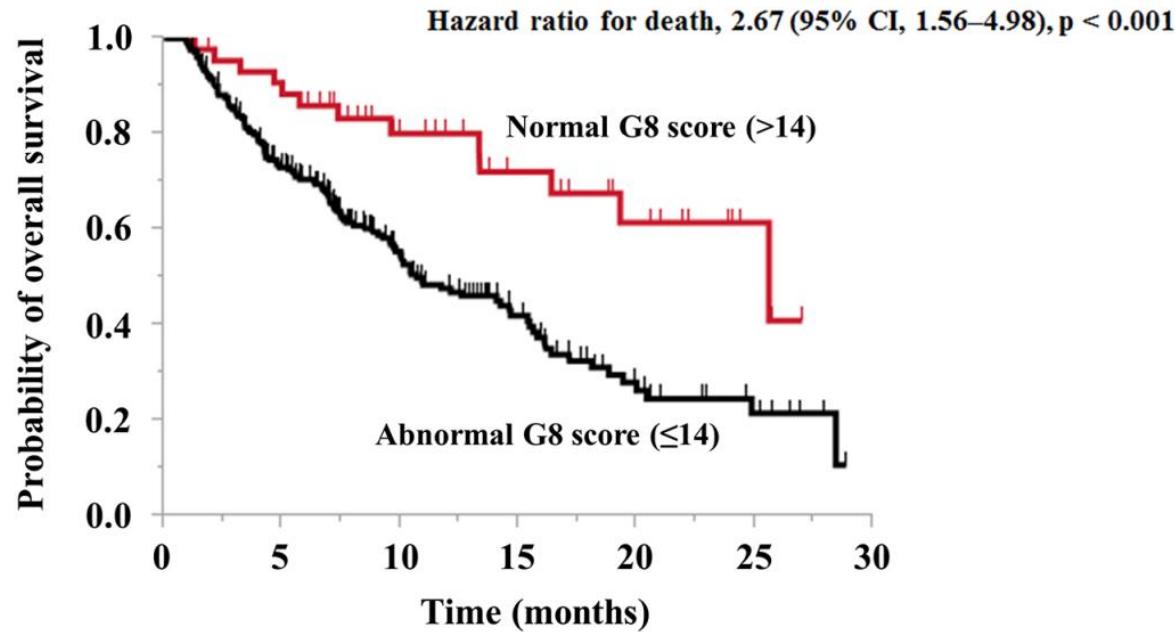


N=40,043 patients with primary diagnosis of malignant melanoma

Absolute benefit of surgery and adjuvant immunotherapy might be lower

Integrating Geriatrics into Oncology Screening tools : G8 questionnaire

Group	No. of patients	Median OS, months (95% CI)
Normal G8 score (>14)	45	25.6 (16.4–NR)
Abnormal G8 score (≤ 14)	219	10.7 (9.6–14.6)

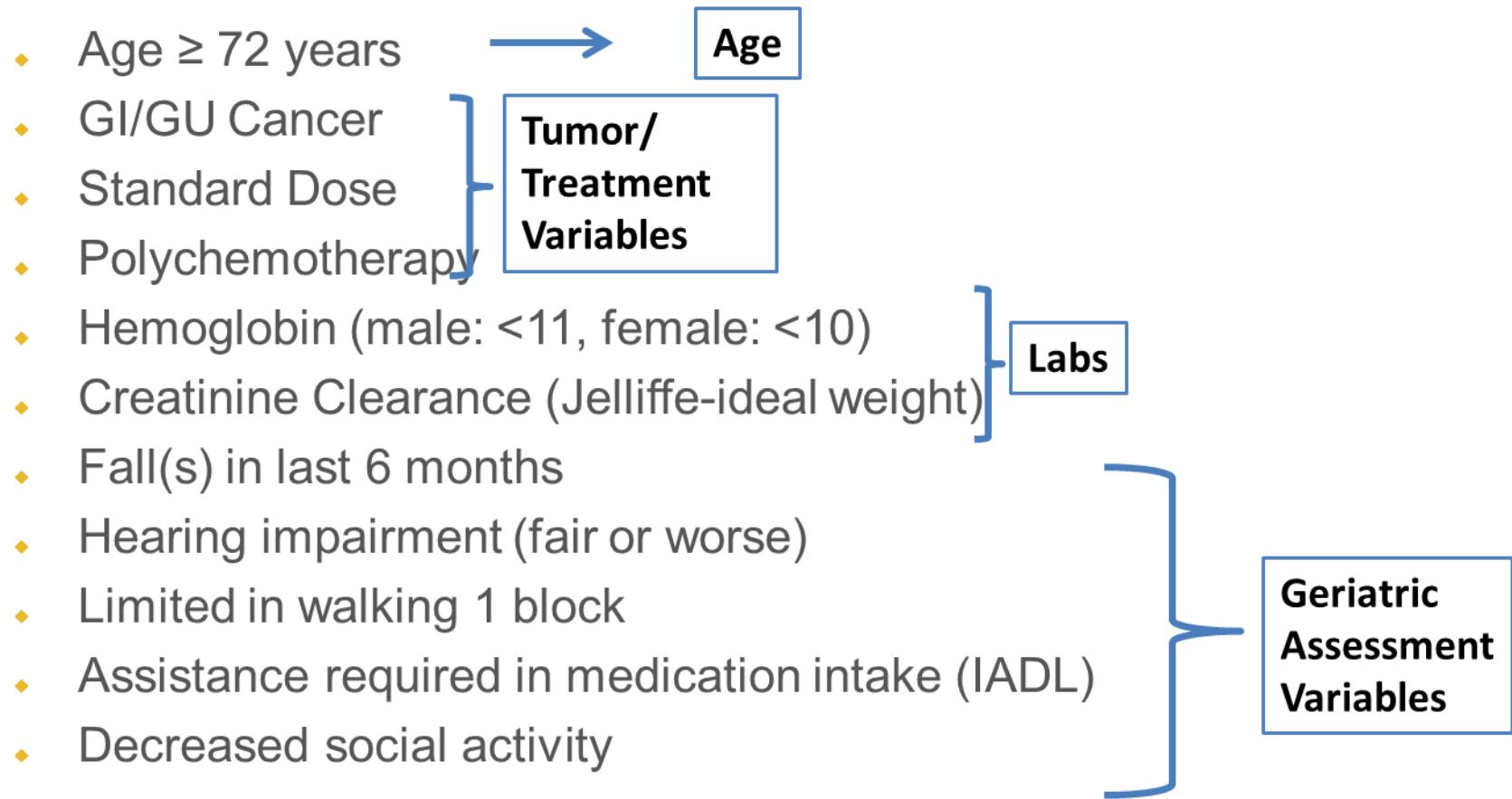


Integrating Geriatrics into Oncology

Factors other than chronological age that predict morbidity & mortality in older adults

- Functional status
 - Comorbid medical conditions
 - Nutritional status
 - Cognition
 - Psychological state
 - Social support
 - Medications (polypharmacy)
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- Geriatric Assessment

Predictors of Toxicity – Score CARG

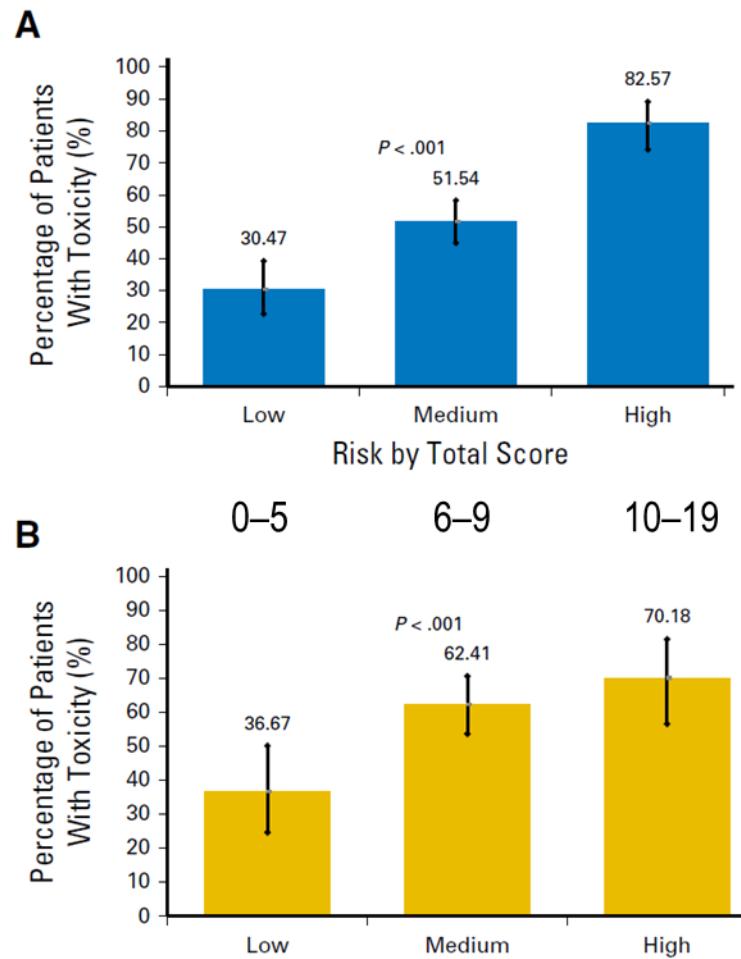


CARG score

Estimates risk of grade 3-5 toxicity

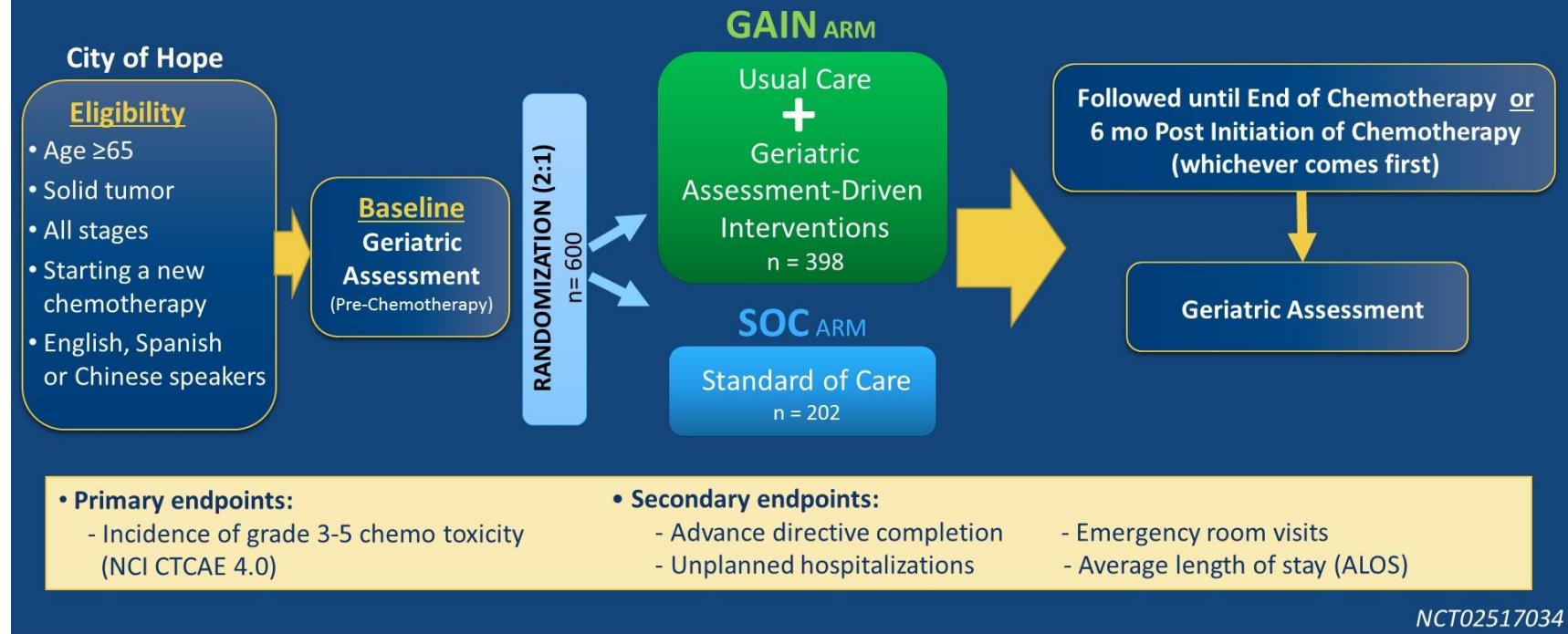
Categorises patients into 3 risk groups
– low, intermediate and high

External validation



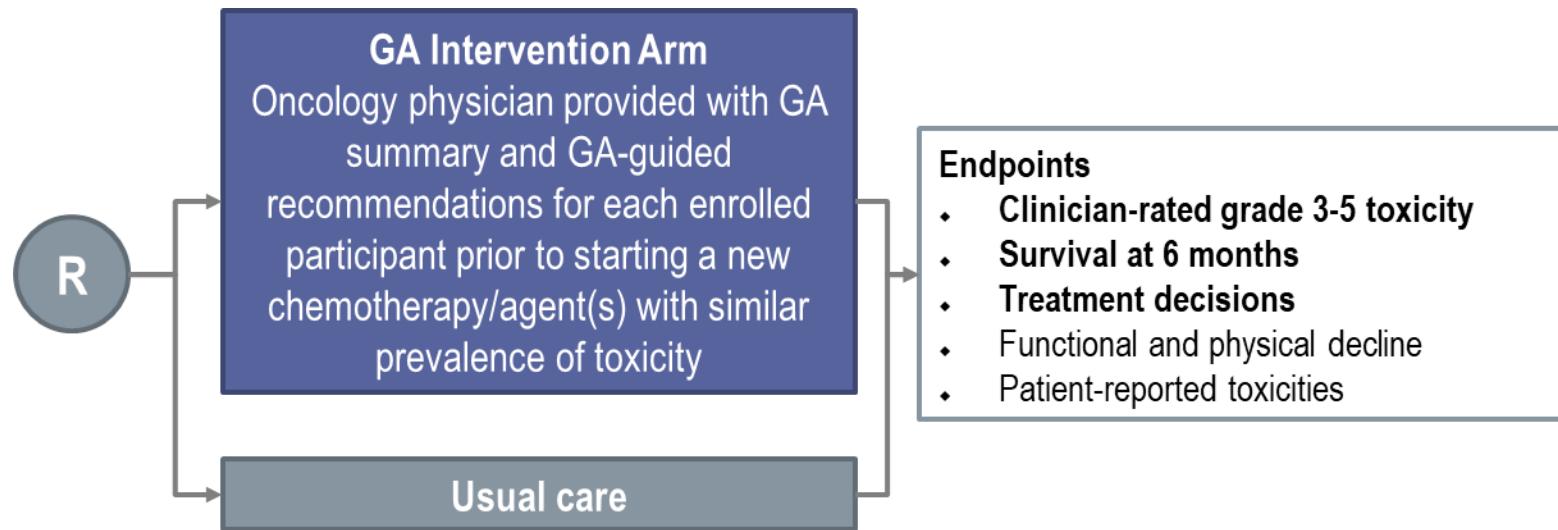
GAIN study: Geriatric Assessment-driven INtervention (GAIN) on chemotherapy toxicity in older adults with cancer: A randomized controlled trial.

Study Design

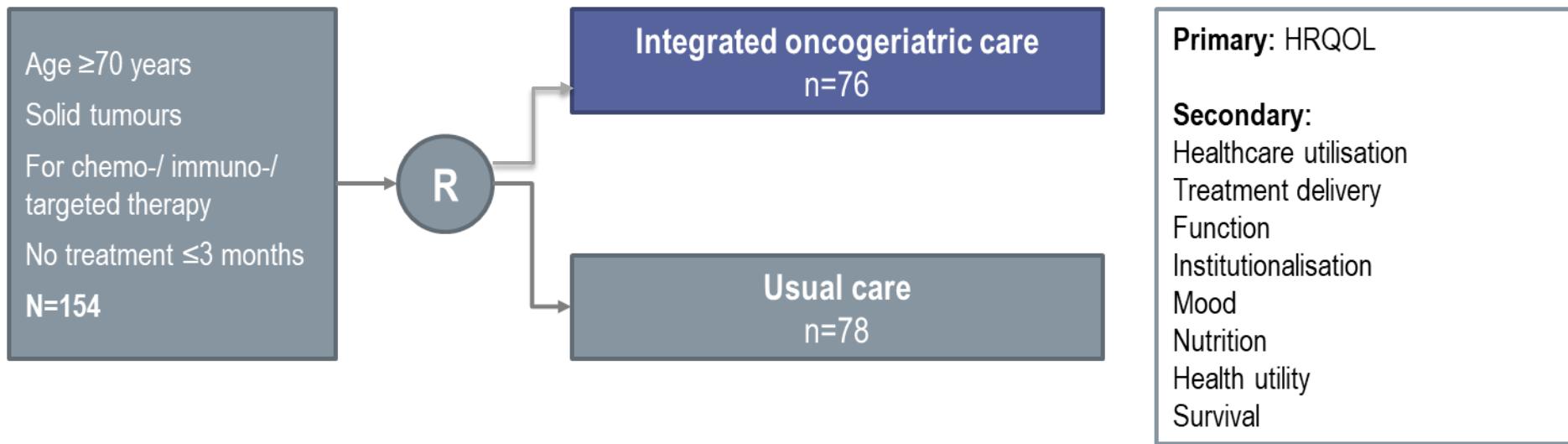


Evidence for the benefit of interventions: GAP 70+

Study schema: Geriatric assessment for patients 70+



Evidence for the benefit of interventions: INTEGRATE study



Geriatric interventions decreased systemic treatment toxicity and improved HRQoL!

Table 3. Randomized trials exploring cancer specific outcomes of geriatric interventions.

Reference	Intervention	Design	Patients	Outcomes
GAP-70 ¹⁴⁸	CGA-based recommendations for treating oncologists	Cluster RCT conducted across 41 practices in the USA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age > 70• > 1 impaired GA domain• Incurable solid tumors or lymphoma• Starting new treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 21% decrease in severe chemotherapy toxicity• No effect on 6-month survival
INTEGRATE ¹⁴⁹	Co-management by a geriatrician during oncological treatment.	RCT conducted at three Australian hospitals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age \geq 70• Solid tumors and lymphoma• Candidates for systemic therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved quality of life at 6 months• 41% fewer hospitalizations
GAIN ¹⁵⁰	Multidisciplinary CGA-based interventions	RCT conducted at single academic center in the USA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age \geq 65• Any functional status• Solid tumors• All stages• Starting chemotherapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10% decrease in grade 3–5 chemotherapy toxicity• 14% increase in advance directive completion

CGA: comprehensive geriatric assessment; RCT: randomized clinical trial.

Cas clinique

- ◆ Femme 83 ans, G8 16/17
- ◆ Mélanome pré-tibial gauche, exérèse élargie
- ◆ Traitement adjuvant par nivolumab 14 cycles
- ◆ 6 mois après le diagnostic: progression adénopathie inguinale G et foyer tibial gauche
- ◆ Nivolumab + ipilimumab (2 cycles avec 3 semaines d'intervalle).
- ◆ Antécédents:
 - HTA traitée (co-bisoprolol 10/25mg/j)
 - Allergie pénicilline
 - 4 vaccins SARS-CoV2 Pfizer, dernier 1 mois avant récidive ganglionnaire
 - Mode de vie: retraitée, vit au domicile avec son époux, pas de tabagisme, consommation éthylique occasionnelle

Admission aux urgences

- ◆ Anamnèse: asthénie, faiblesse musculaire depuis 1 semaine, pas de pyrexie, pas de frissons, pas de plaintes respiratoires, thoraciques, urinaires, ostéo-articulaires
- ◆ Paramètres a l'admission: apyrétique, TA:175/89, SaO₂:94% AA, FC nl, rythme régulier. Examen clinique sp.
- ◆ Examens complémentaires:
 - Hb: 10,5, CRP 114, K+2,0, Cr: 2,6, GFR:16
 - Analyse urinaire: perte de K+
 - Echo rénale: pas d'obstacle
 - Prise en charge en hospitalisation: hydratation/recharge de K+ IV

En cours d'hospitalisation

1/ Hypokaliémie réfractaire sur syndrome de Fanconi incomplet/tubulopathie immuno-induite par Ipi/Nivolumab avec perte de bicarbonate et phosphate associée
- Instauration de corticothérapie IV à 2 mg/kg > sans amélioration >
immunossupresseurs (Remicade >Vedolizumab)

2/ Diarrhée G3 > Colite immuno-induite de grade 3 ajoutée à une diverticulite aiguë.
-Traitement par AB a plusieurs reprises (Cefuroxime/Tiberal/ Meronem)
-Réactivation CMV avec traitement par Cymeven

3/ Immuno-toxicité cardiaque/myocardite probable, IRM cardiaque non en faveur mais argument clinique (FA paroxystique) et biologique (élévation proBNP et troponinémie)

4/ Infection urinaire à E. coli traitée par Cinacef/E. cloacae traitée par Negaban

5/ Oesophagite mycotique traitée par Fluconazole

<https://www.bsmo.be/immunomanager/start>

Belgian Multidisciplinary Immunotoxicity Board (BITOX)

Agenda →

How to present a case →

People →

 Joint pathology →

 Colitis →

 Skin toxicity →

 Hepatic toxicity →

 Nephrotoxicity →

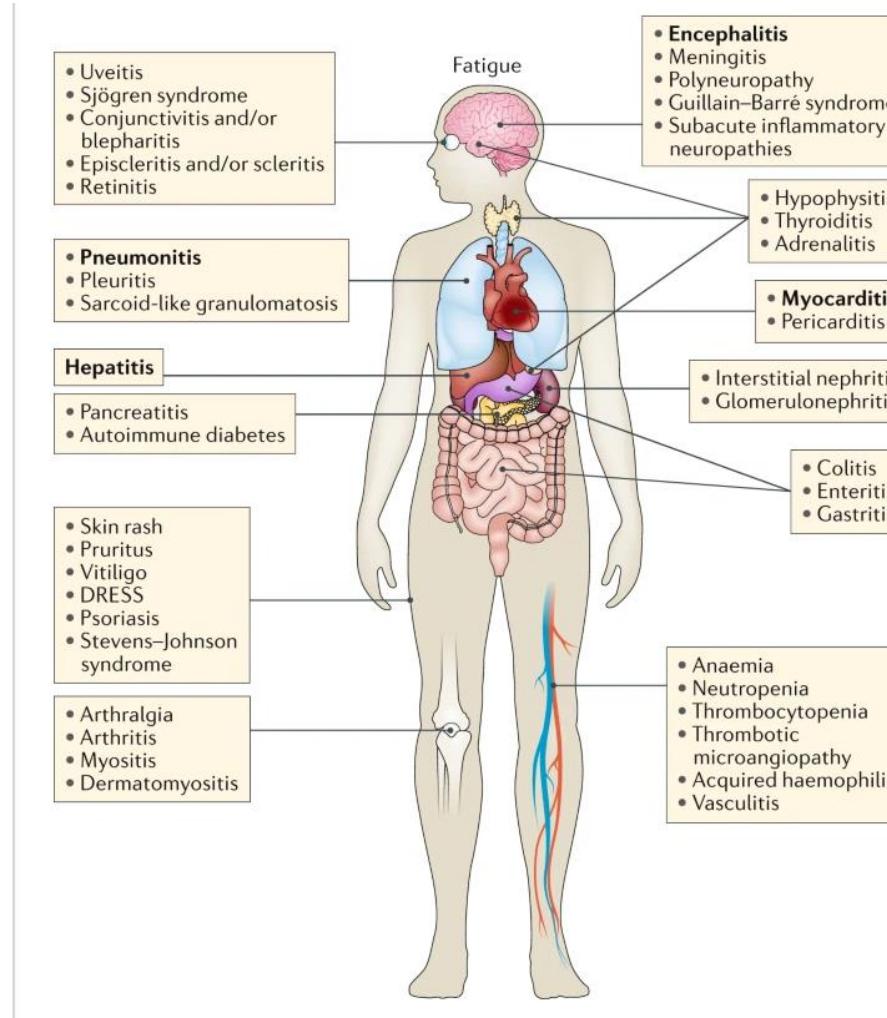
 Neurological toxicity →

 Pneumonitis →

 Endocrine toxicity →

 Muscle pathology →

The spectrum of irAEs by affected organ or organs



Grading of some immune-related adverse events (irAEs) based on CTCAE version

	Mild (grade 1)	Moderate (grade 2)	Severe (grade 3)	Life threatening (grade 4)
Skin related	Pruritus: mild or localized; Rash: papules/pustules covering <10% BSA with or without symptoms	Pruritus: intense or widespread, intermittent, skin changes from scratching; limiting instrumental ADL; Rash: papules/pustules covering 10%–30% BSA with or without symptoms	Pruritus: intense or widespread, constant; limiting self-care ADL or sleep; Rash: papules/pustules covering >30% BSA with or without symptoms	Pruritus: - Rash: Papules/pustules covering any % BSA with or without symptoms, with associated infection; life threatening consequences.
GI related	Diarrhea: <4 stools/d over baseline; Colitis: asymptomatic Hepatitis: AST/ALT > 1–3× ULN and/or T. bili > 1–1.5× ULN	Diarrhea: 4–6 stools/d over baseline; not interfering with ADL; Colitis: abdominal pain, blood in stool Hepatitis: AST/ALT > 3–5× ULN and/or T. bili > 1.5–3× ULN	Diarrhea: ≥7 stools/d over baseline; incontinence; interfering with ADL; Colitis: Severe abdominal pain, peritoneal signs; Hepatitis: AST/ALT > 5–20× ULN and/or T. bili > 3–10× ULN	Diarrhea: life threatening consequence Colitis: Life-threatening, Hepatitis: AST/ALT > 20× ULN and/or T. bili > 10× ULN
Endocrine related	Hypophysitis: asymptomatic or mild symptoms; Adrenal Insufficiency: asymptomatic Thyroid Dysfunction: asymptomatic Hyperglycemia: abnormal glucose above baseline	Hypophysitis: moderate symptoms; limiting instrumental ADL Adrenal Insufficiency: moderate symptoms Thyroid Dysfunction: moderate symptoms Hyperglycemia: Change in daily management from baseline for a diabetic; oral antihyperglycemic agent initiated	Hypophysitis: severe symptoms; disabling, limiting self-care ADL Adrenal Insufficiency: severe symptoms; Thyroid Dysfunction: Severe symptoms Hyperglycemia: Insulin therapy initiated	Hypophysitis: life-threatening symptoms; Adrenal Insufficiency: life-threatening symptoms; Thyroid Dysfunction: life-threatening symptoms; Hyperglycemia: life threatening consequences
Lung related	Pneumonitis: Radiographic changes only	Pneumonitis: Mild to moderate new symptoms (cough, chest pain, shortness of breath); limiting instrumental ADL	Pneumonitis: Severe new symptoms; new/worsening hypoxia; limiting self-care ADL; oxygen indicated	Pneumonitis: Life-threatening respiratory compromise
Renal related	Nephritis: Creatinine > ULN and >baseline but <1.5× baseline	Nephritis: Creatinine > 1.5× to ≤3× ULN	Nephritis: Creatinine > 3–6× ULN	Nephritis: Creatinine > 6× ULN
Musculo-skeletal related	Arthritis: Mild pain with inflammation, erythema, or joint swelling Myositis: Mild pain	Arthritis: Moderate pain with inflammation, erythema, or joint swelling; limiting instrumental ADL Myositis: Moderate pain with weakness	Arthritis: Severe pain with inflammation, erythema, or joint swelling; limiting self-care ADL Myositis: Pain with severe weakness	

CTCAE = common terminology criteria for adverse events; irAEs = immune-related adverse events.

Frequencies of treatment-related irAEs in selected cohorts

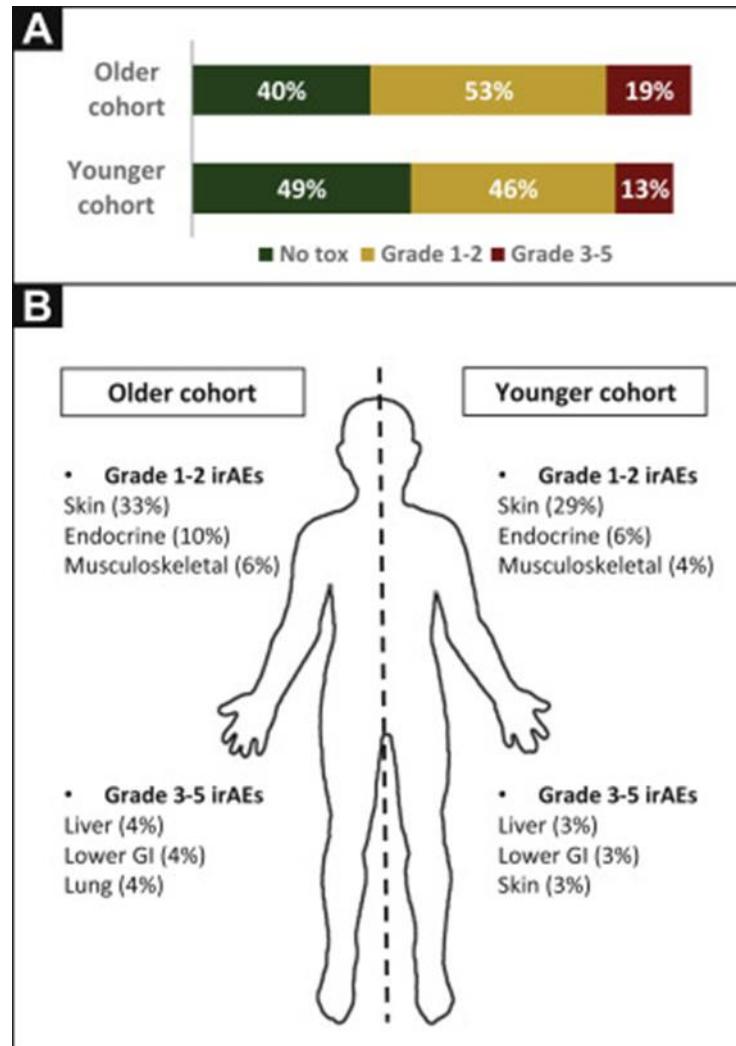
Study details		Any-grade adverse events (grade ≥3 adverse events)							
Study	Dose (n)	Diarrhoea	Colitis	Pulmonary	Rash	Neurological	Endocrinopathy	Hepatic	Renal
Ipilimumab									
EORTC 18071 (ref. ¹⁷)	10 mg/kg, 3-weekly (471)	41.2% (9.8%)	15.5% (8.2%)	–	34.2% (1.1%)	4.5% (1.9%)	37.8% (7.8%)	24.4% (10.9%)	–
Hodi et al. ¹⁶⁶	3 mg/kg, 3-weekly (131)	27.5% (4.6%)	7.6% (5.3%)	–	19.1% (0.8%)	–	7.6% (3.8%)	3.8% (0%)	–
Nivolumab									
CheckMate 066 (ref. ²¹)	3 mg/kg, 2-weekly (206)	16% (1%)	1% (0.5%)	1.5% (0%)	15% (0.5%)	–	7.3% (1%)	3.4% (1.5%)	1.9% (0.5%)
CheckMate 057 (ref. ¹⁶⁷)	3 mg/kg, 2-weekly (287)	8% (1%)	1% (0.3%)	4.9% (1.4%)	9% (3.5%)	0.3% (0.3%) ^a	10.5% (0%)	10.8% (1.4%)	2% (0%)
Pembrolizumab									
KEYNOTE-010 (ref. ¹⁴⁶)	2 mg/kg, 3-weekly (339)	7% (1%)	1% (1%)	5% (2%)	9% (0.3%)	–	15% (1%)	0.3% (0.3%)	–
KEYNOTE-010 (ref. ¹⁴⁶)	10 mg/kg, 3-weekly (343)	6% (0%)	1% (0.3%)	4% (2%)	13% (0.3%)	–	16.5% (2%)	1% (0%)	–
KEYNOTE-054 (ref. ⁹²)	200 mg, 3-weekly (509)	19.1% (0.8%)	3.7% (2%)	4.7% ^b (0.8%)	16.1% (0.2%)	–	23.4% (1.8%)	1.8% (1.4%)	0.4% (0.4%)
Ipilimumab plus nivolumab									
CheckMate 067 (ref. ¹⁶⁸)	3 mg/kg ipilimumab plus 1 mg/kg nivolumab, 3-weekly (313)	45% (9%)	13% (8%)	7% (1%)	30% (3%)	–	34% (6%)	33% (20%)	7% (2%)
CheckMate 214 (ref. ²)	1 mg/kg ipilimumab plus 3 mg/kg nivolumab, 3-weekly (547)	27% (4%)	–	–	22% (1%)	–	16% (0.4%) ^c	–	–
CheckMate 227 (ref. ¹³)	1 mg/kg 6-weekly ipilimumab plus 3 mg/kg 2-weekly nivolumab (576)	16.3% (1.6%)	1% (0.5%)	3% (2%)	16.7% (1.6%)	–	12.3% (1%) ^c	3.5% (3%)	–
Avelumab									
JAVELIN Solid Tumour ¹⁶⁹	10 mg/kg, 2-weekly (184)	7% (0%)	–	1% (1%)	–	1% (1%) ^d	7% (0%)	1.6% (1.1%) ^e	–
JAVELIN Merkel 200 (ref. ¹⁷⁰)	10 mg/kg, 2-weekly (88)	10% (0%)	–	1% (0%)	13% (0%)	–	7% (0%)	6.8% (2%) ^e	1% (0%)
Atezolizumab									
OAK ¹⁷¹	1,200 mg, 3-weekly (609)	15.4% (0.7%)	0.3% (0%)	1% (0.7%)	–	–	–	0.3% (0.3%)	–
Durvalumab									
ATLANTIC ¹⁷²	10 mg/kg, 2-weekly (444)	0.7% (0.2%) ^f	0.4% (0%) ^f	2% (0.7%) ^f	0.7% (0.2%) ^f	–	10.1% (0.5%) ^f	0.7% (0.7%) ^f	–

Frequencies of treatment-related deaths in selected cohorts

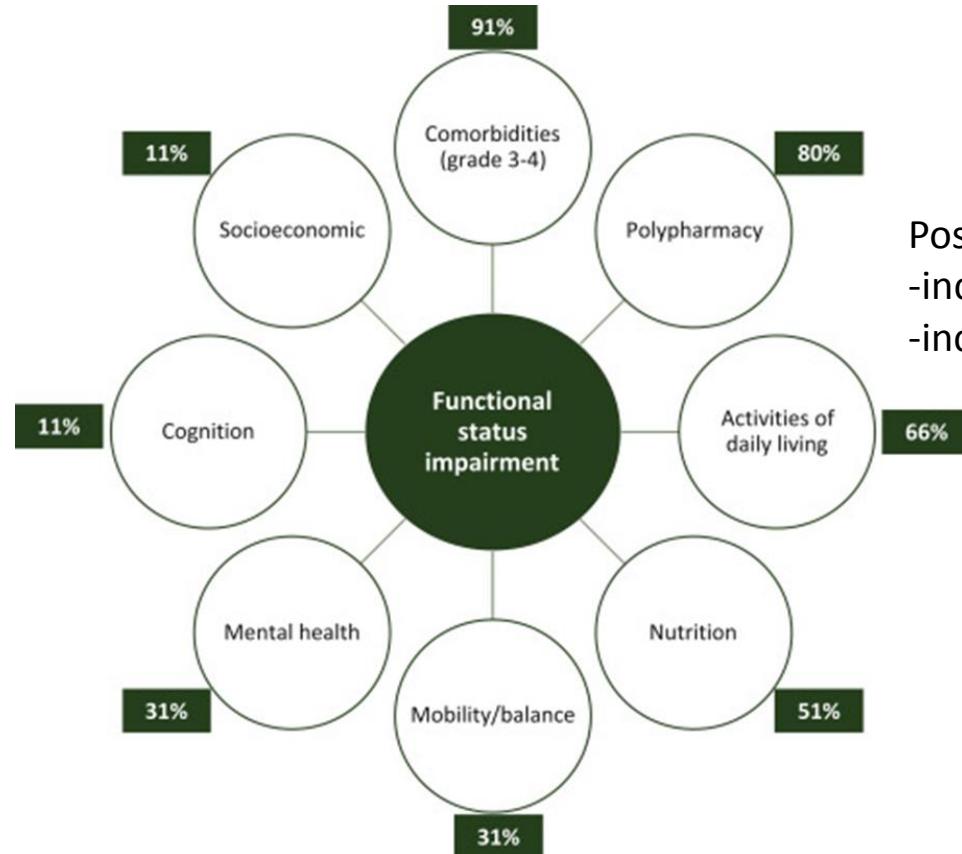
Study details		Treatment-related deaths	
Study	Dose (n)	Deaths (%)	Causes of death
Ipilimumab			
EORTC 18071 (ref. ¹⁷)	10 mg/kg, 3-weekly (471)	5 (1.1)	Colitis in three patients, myocarditis in one patient and multiple organ failure associated with Guillain-Barré syndrome in one patient
Hodi et al. ¹⁶⁶	3 mg/kg, 3-weekly (131)	2 (1.4)	Colitis in one patient and liver failure in one patient
Nivolumab			
CheckMate 066 (ref. ²¹)	3 mg/kg, 2-weekly (206)	0	–
CheckMate 057 (ref. ¹⁶⁷)	3 mg/kg, 2-weekly (287)	1 (0.5)	Encephalitis
Pembrolizumab			
KEYNOTE-010 (ref. ¹⁴⁶)	2 mg/kg, 3-weekly (339)	3 (0.9)	Pneumonitis in two patients and pneumonia in one patient
KEYNOTE-010 (ref. ¹⁴⁶)	10 mg/kg, 3-weekly (343)	3 (0.9)	Myocardial infarction in one patient, pneumonia in one patient and pneumonitis in one patient
KEYNOTE-054 (ref. ²⁹)	200 mg, 3-weekly (509)	1 (0.2)	Myositis
Ipilimumab plus nivolumab			
CheckMate 067 (ref. ¹⁶⁸)	3 mg/kg ipilimumab plus 1 mg/kg nivolumab, 3-weekly (313)	2 (0.6)	Liver failure in one patient and myocarditis in one patient
CheckMate 214 (ref. ⁹)	1 mg/kg ipilimumab plus 3 mg/kg nivolumab, 3-weekly (547)	8 (1.5)	Aplastic anaemia, haemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis, lower gastrointestinal haemorrhage, liver failure, lung infection, pneumonia, pneumonitis and unexplained sudden death each in one patient
CheckMate 227 (ref. ¹³)	1 mg/kg 6-weekly ipilimumab plus 3 mg/kg 2-weekly nivolumab (576)	7 (1.2)	Pneumonitis in three patients and acute tubular necrosis, cardiac tamponade, circulatory collapse and myocarditis each in one patient
Avelumab			
JAVELIN solid tumour ¹⁶⁹	10 mg/kg, 2-weekly (184)	0	–
JAVELIN Merkel 200 (ref. ¹⁷⁰)	10 mg/kg, 2-weekly (88)	0	–
Atezolizumab			
OAK ¹⁷¹	1,200 mg, 3-weekly (609)	0	–
Durvalumab			
ATLANTIC ¹⁷²	10 mg/kg, 2-weekly (444)	0	–

A prospective cohort study on the safety of checkpoint inhibitors in older cancer patients – the ELDERS study

N=140
Melanoma
Lung cancer



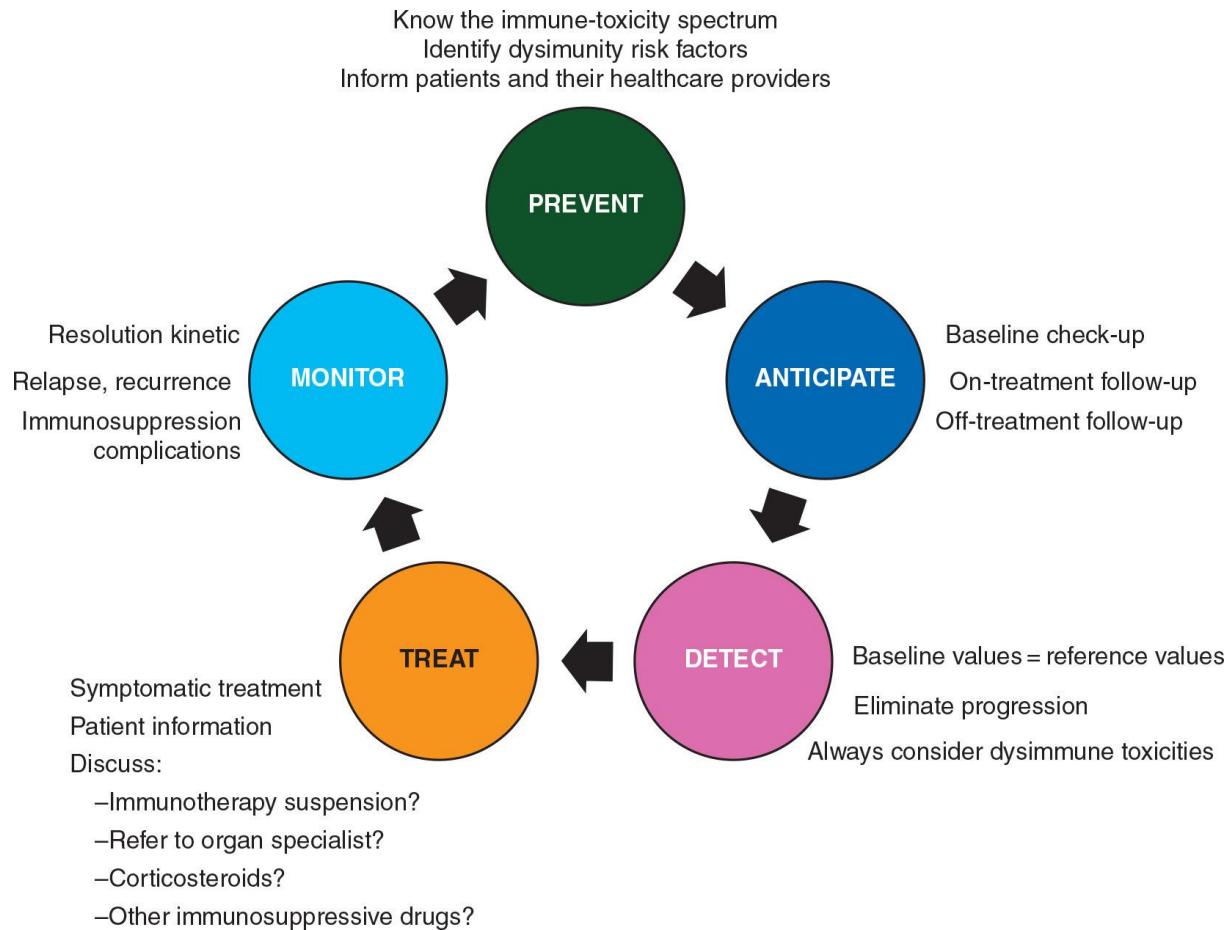
Geriatric assessment components linked with functional status impairment



Older cohort with a positive G8 screening, $n = 35$

Positive G8 (50% patients) correlated with:
-increased number hospitalisations
-increased risk of death

The five pillars of immunotherapy toxicity management



Potential risk factors for irAEs

Box 2 | Potential risk factors for irAEs

High-risk factors (indicating preferable avoidance of immune-checkpoint inhibitors (ICIs) or, if not possible, administration of ICIs under a personalized surveillance strategy)

- * Connective tissue diseases (CTDs)
 - Inflammatory myopathy (polymyositis and dermatomyositis), systemic lupus erythematosus, Sjögren syndrome, systemic sclerosis, antisynthetase syndrome, rheumatoid arthritis, severe psoriasis and mixed CTDs
- * Vasculitis
 - Granulomatosis with polyangiitis (Wegener's granulomatosis), microscopic polyangiitis, eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (Churg–Strauss syndrome), severe Behçet disease, Takayasu arteritis, giant cell arteritis, Buerger disease, Kawasaki disease, polyarteritis nodosa, severe immunoglobulin A (IgA) vasculitis (Henoch–Schönlein purpura), severe cutaneous vasculitis, polymyalgia rheumatica, severe cryoglobulinaemia and undifferentiated systemic vasculitis
- * Other autoimmune diseases
 - Primary biliary cirrhosis, severe autoimmune hepatitis, multiple sclerosis, severe antiphospholipid syndrome, myasthenia gravis, Guillain–Barré syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease, Miller–Fisher syndrome, Vogt–Koyanagi–Harada syndrome, eosinophilic fasciitis (Shulman syndrome), relapsing polychondritis and severe autoinflammatory diseases
- * Treatment-related factors
 - Combination of ICIs (anti-cytotoxic T lymphocyte antigen 4 (CTLA-4) antibody with either an anti-programmed cell death 1 (PD-1) or anti-programmed cell death 1 ligand 1 (PD-L1) antibody)
- * Intrinsic factors
 - Tumour and genetic heterogeneities, cancer type, tumour microenvironment and the microbiota

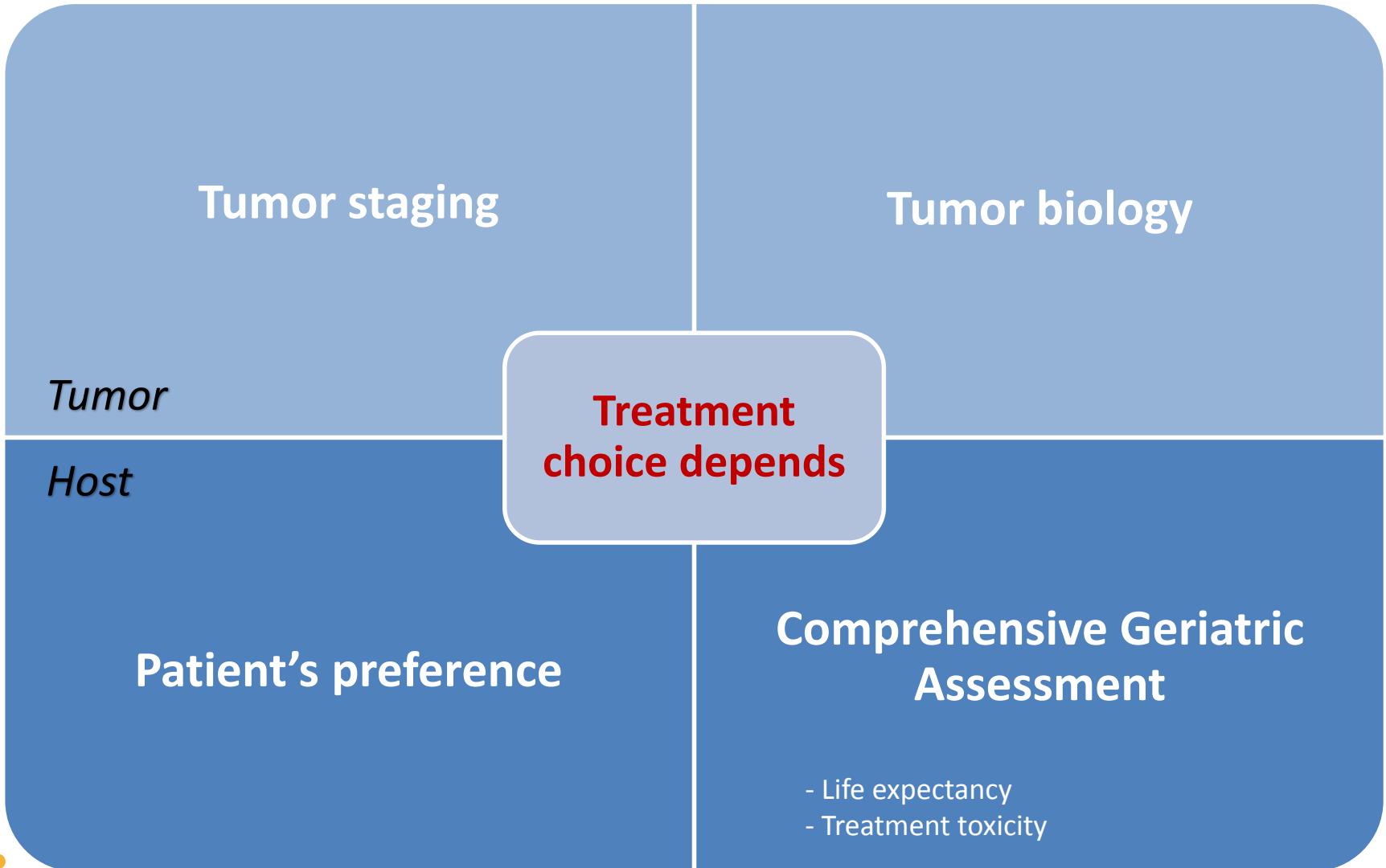
Intermediate-risk factors (administer ICIs under close monitoring)

- * Limited and/or previously treated autoimmune diseases
 - Type 1 diabetes, autoimmune thyroiditis, nonsevere forms of IgA nephropathy, IgM nephropathy, Behçet disease, autoinflammatory diseases, autoimmune hepatitis and antiphospholipid syndrome, pernicious anaemia, vitiligo, Still disease and adult-onset Still disease, cold agglutinin disease, idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura and coeliac disease
- * Limited CTDs
 - Psoriatic arthritis and/or psoriasis

irAE, immune-related adverse event.

**Geriatric patients:
-immunosenescence?
-gut microbiota composition?**

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