

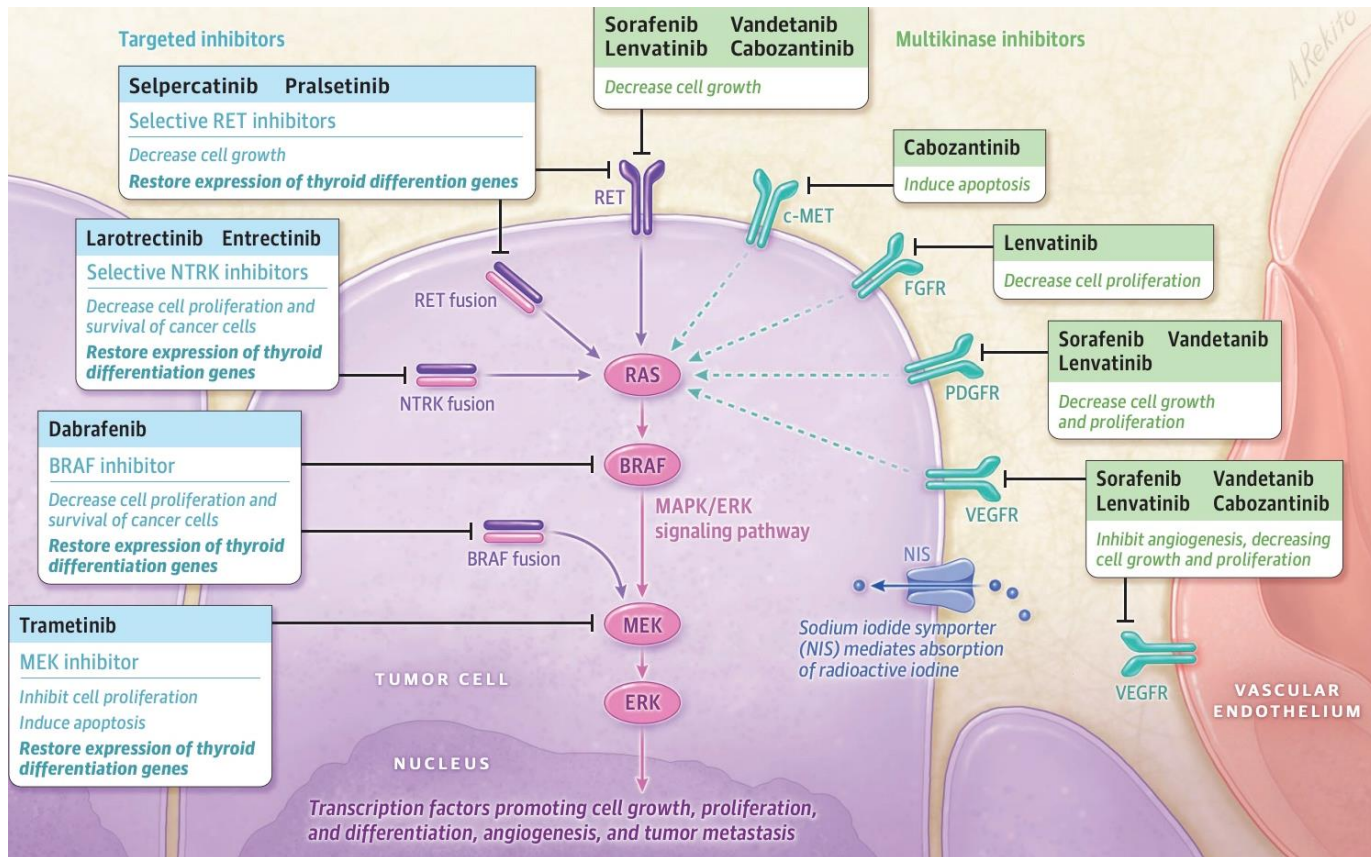
OPTIMIZACIÓN DE LAS TERAPIAS SISTÉMICAS EN LA ENFERMEDAD yodorefractaria

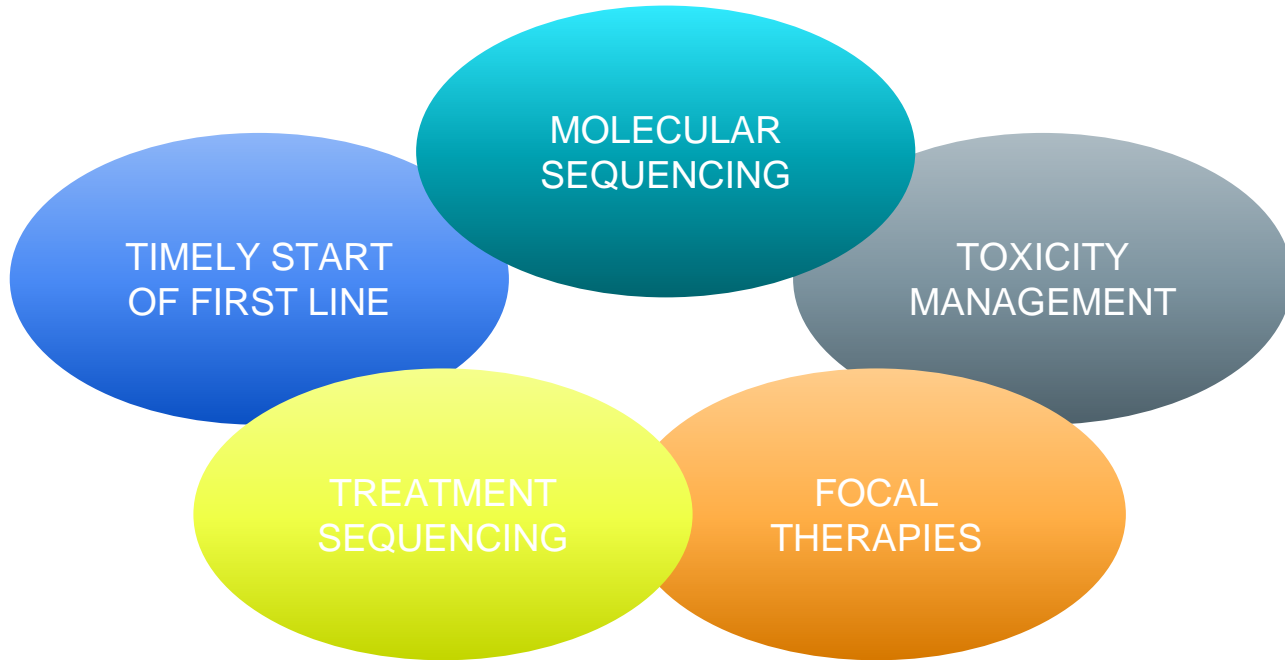
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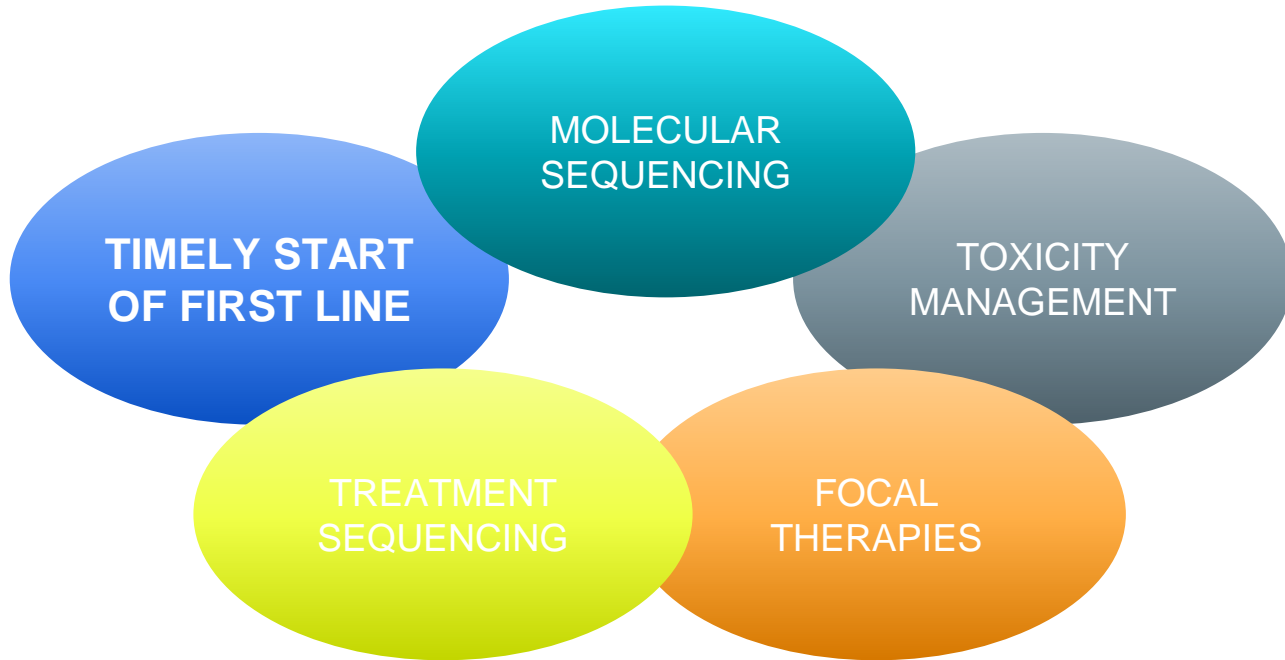
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- He proporcionado asesoramiento científico a IPSEN, Roche, Bayer, Johnson & Johnson, Astellas, Eisai, Adacap, Lilly, MSD, Pfizer.
- He participado en reuniones médicas organizadas por IPSEN, Lilly, Bayer, Johnson & Johnson, Astellas, Eisai, Adacap.
- He recibido fondos para investigación de Roche, IPSEN, Pfizer, Janssen.

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TIMELY START OF SYSTEMIC THERAY

RAI DEFINITION

Absence of RAI uptake
Progressive decline in RAI uptake following RAI, Heterogeneity in uptake
Progression after subsequent RAI.

Other special situations:

Uptake in 18FDG-PET
Unresectable primary tumor
Aggressive histologies

VS

TIMELY START OF SYSTEMIC THERAPY

Timepoint at which the patient is deemed to be developing more rapidly progressive or symptomatic disease.

Rate of progression
Size or burden of disease
Site of disease
Symptoms

Active surveillance vs Treatment initiation

TIMELY START OF SYSTEMIC THERAY

SELECT

N = 392

- DTC, ¹³¹I-refractory disease
- IRR evidence of progression within previous 13 months
- Up to 1 prior VEGF or VEGFR-targeted therapy
- mPFS = 19.4 vs 3.7 months (HR 0.24)

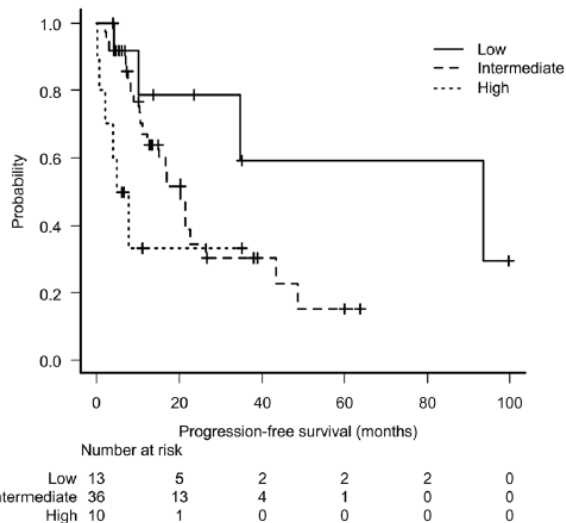
DECISION

N= 417

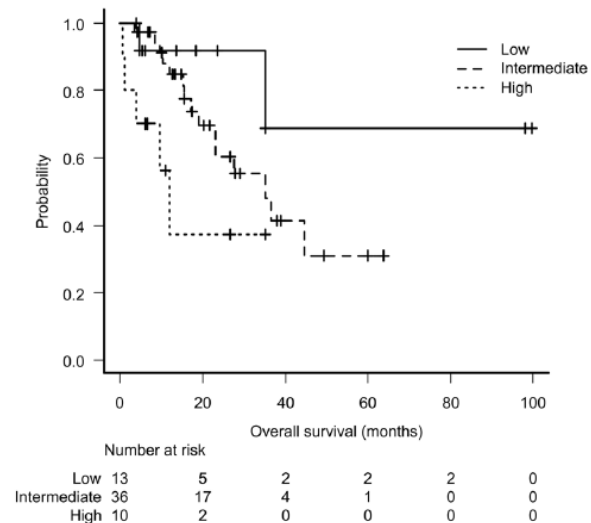
- Locally advanced or metastatic, RAI-refractory DTC
- Progression (RECIST) within the previous 14 months
- mPFS = 10.8 vs 5.8 months (HR 0.59)

CLINICAL SCORING SYSTEM PROPOSAL

Factors	Score
Age	
≤65 years	0
>65 years	1
Tumor-related symptom	
Asymptomatic	0
Symptomatic	1
Histological subtype	
Papillary thyroid cancer	0
Follicular thyroid cancer	1
Poorly differentiated thyroid cancer	1
Metastatic sites	
Pulmonary only	0
Extrapulmonary disease	1
Neutrophil-to-lymphocyte ratio	
≤3	0
>3	1
Size of lung metastasis	
<10 mm	0
≥10 mm	1
Baseline tumor size	
≤40 mm	0
>40 mm	1
Tumor-volume doubling time	
>1 year	0
≤1 year	1
Total score	MAX 8

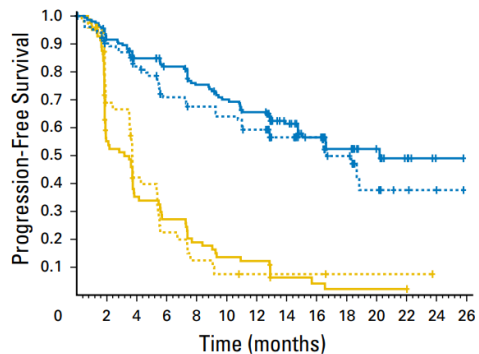


mPFS = 93.7 m (low) vs 20.3m (intermediate) vs 6.2m (high) (p < 0.02).



OS HR (high vs low) = 6.59, p < 0.03
OS HR (high vs intermediate) = 2.99, p < 0.05

AGE > 65 years vs ≤ 65 years



No. of patients at risk:

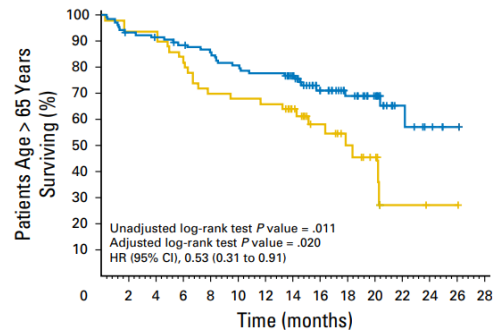
Age group: Patients age ≤ 65 years

Lenvatinib	155	138	121	113	102	94	87	60	39	25	16	8	2	0
Placebo	81	42	26	20	14	10	9	3	2	1	1	1	0	0

Age group: Patients age > 65 years

Lenvatinib	106	87	77	63	57	54	49	32	27	19	8	3	1	0
Placebo	50	29	17	9	5	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0

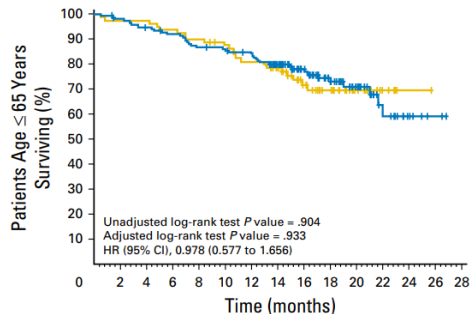
Treatment	Total	Treatment Failure	Censored	Median, months (95% CI)
Lenvatinib	106	31	75	NE (22.1 to NE)
Placebo	50	25	25	18.4 (13.3 to 20.3)



No. of patients at risk:

Lenvatinib	106	98	95	91	88	82	79	67	42	31	24	8	4	1	0
Placebo	50	47	47	42	35	34	33	26	16	11	7	2	1	1	0

Treatment	Total	Treatment Failure	Censored	Median, months (95% CI)
Lenvatinib	155	40	115	NE (22.0 to NE)
Placebo	81	22	59	NE (NE to NE)



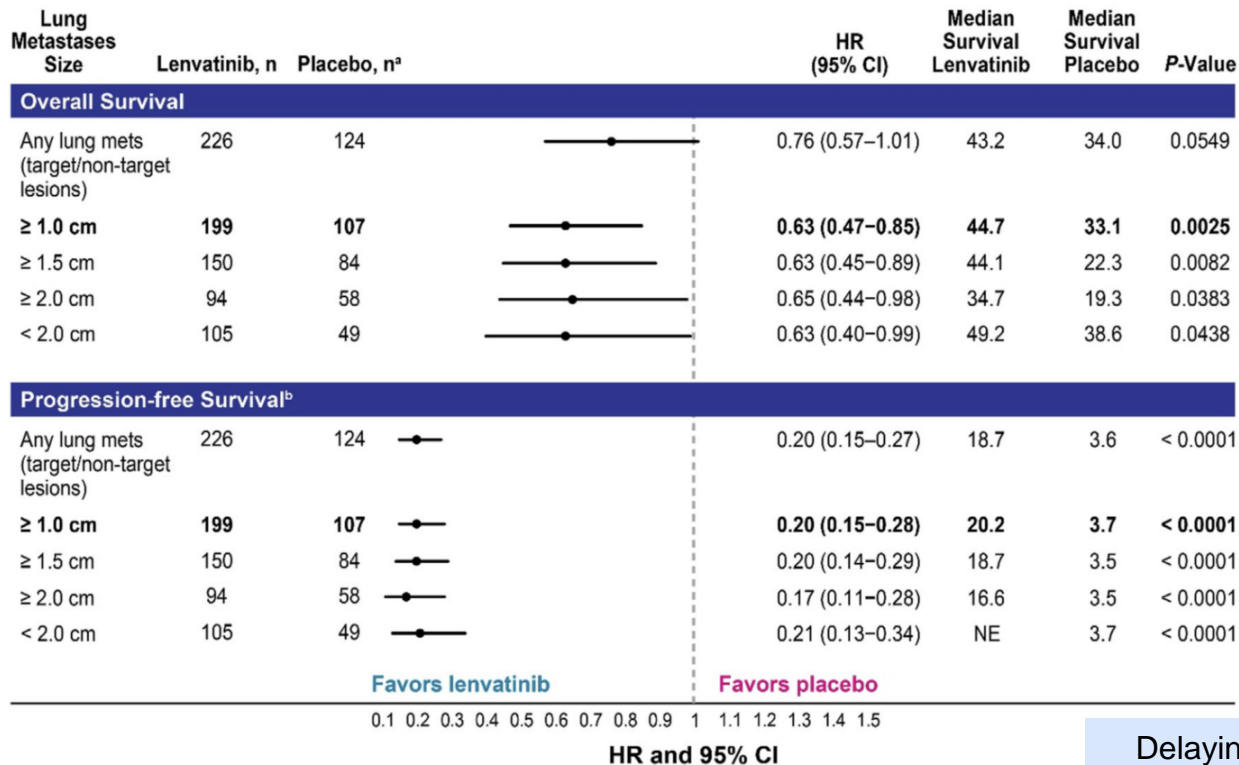
No. of patients at risk:

Lenvatinib	155	150	144	139	131	129	124	102	70	47	31	14	6	2	0
Placebo	81	79	79	76	73	69	63	52	37	28	16	6	1	0	0

TUMOR RELATED SYMPTOMS

Factors	PFS			OS		
	HR	95% CI	<i>p</i>	HR	95% CI	<i>p</i>
Age (>65 years)	1.77	0.55–6.64	<i>ns</i>	3.06	0.74–20.56	<i>ns</i>
Gender (male)	1.50	0.40–5.00	<i>ns</i>	2.33	0.27–8.90	<i>ns</i>
Histology (follicular)	0.94	0.21–3.26	<i>ns</i>	1.17	0.25–4.47	<i>ns</i>
Tg doubling time	0.85	0.48–1.20	<i>ns</i>	1.02	0.61–1.41	<i>ns</i>
TL (other than lung)	1.37	0.39–4.66	<i>ns</i>	1.93	0.47–7.48	<i>ns</i>
Symptom present (yes)	5.39	1.40–35.5	<0.02	10.06	1.57–187.4	<0.01
Tumor size (>median)	1.20	0.37–3.86	<i>ns</i>	1.17	0.29–4.50	<i>ns</i>

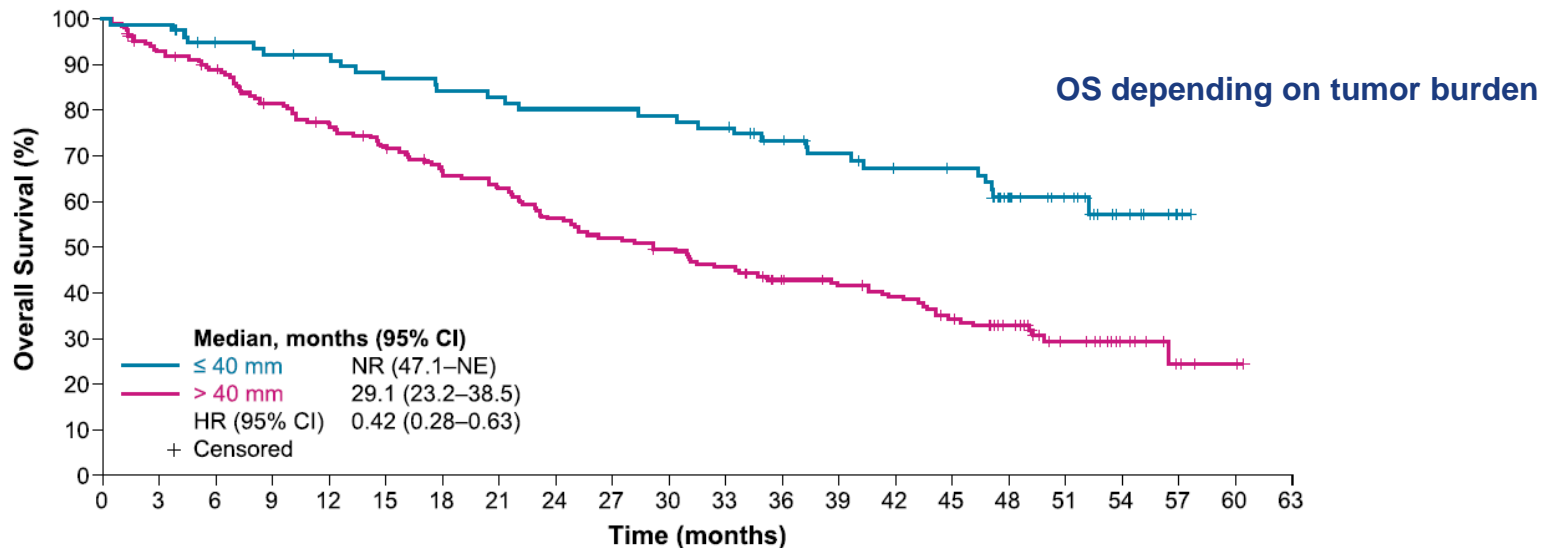
SIZE OF METASTASES



Treatment effect of lenvatinib may be greater **when lenvatinib is initiated in patients with a lower burden of disease**, rather than delaying initiation until a higher burden of disease is present

Delaying initiation of lenvatinib treatment may negatively impact a patient's prognosis.

TUMOR BURDEN



Number of patients at risk:

≤ 40 mm	79	78	73	70	69	65	63	62	60	60	59	57	51	47	43	42	26	19	9	2	0	0
> 40 mm	182	166	157	142	133	124	114	106	95	88	83	76	68	64	59	51	39	19	11	4	2	0

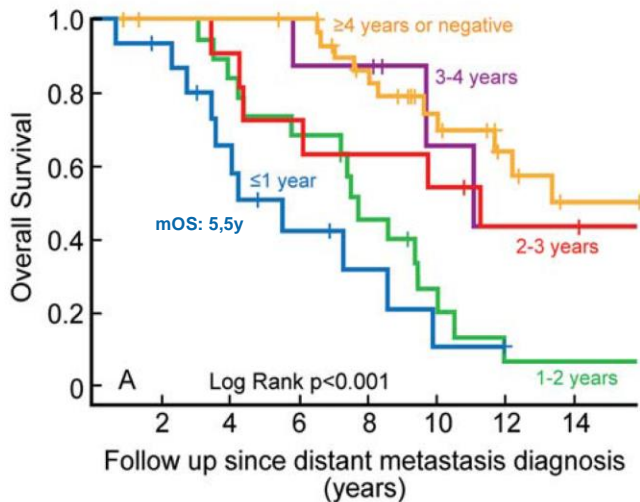
FIGURE 2. Overall survival by baseline tumor burden^a (≤40 and >40 mm) in patients randomly assigned to the lenvatinib group

^aTumor burden was defined as the sums of diameters of target lesions per RECIST v1.1.

CI indicates confidence interval; NE, not estimable; NR, not reached; RECIST v1.1, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors version 1.1.

Tumor Volume Doubling Time (TVDT)

OS according to average TVDT (midDT) assorted in 5 groups¹

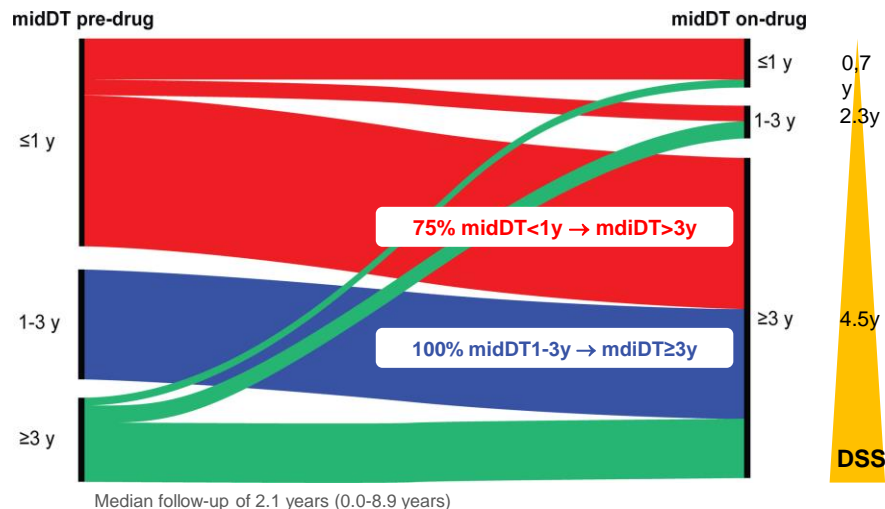


Patients **midDT ≤1y** showed statistically **shorter OS** than the rest.



Systemic treatment

Change midDT after starting ST²



Systemic Therapy statistically prolonged the TVDT in 69% of patients.

In RR-DTC patients achieving prolonged TVDT with ST, **Disease-Specific Survival** is statistically increased

TIMELY START OF SYSTEMIC THERAY

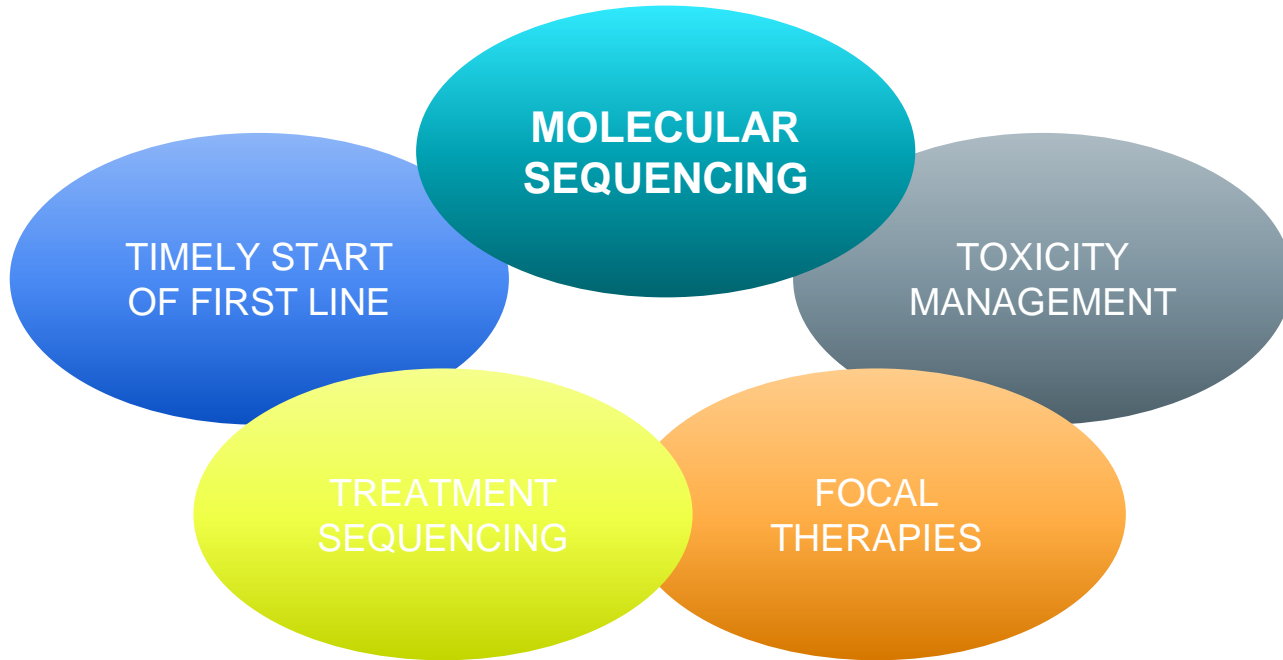
Aggressive histologies. Poor response to first 131I dose.

Metastatic tumor locations: Bone, Liver, Central nervous system, Soft tissue next to great vessels. Treated vs untreated, symptomatic vs asymptomatic CNS lesions.

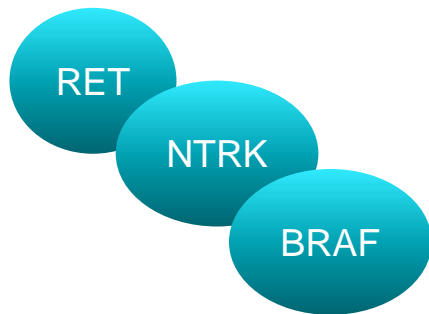
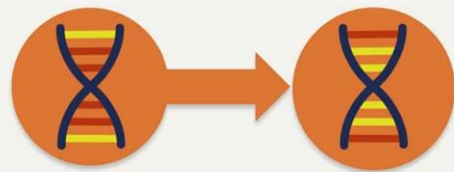
Disease near critical structures: Immediate risk of invasion to carotid artery, mucosa of esophagus or bronchia or skin, bone soft tissue.

Risk factors related to poorer cancer treatment outcomes: Comorbidities, Obesity, Older age, Functional impairment, Multiple symptoms

Rising Tg not be the sole identifier of progressive disease, but surveillance for new metastases (e.g., brain, bone, liver)



WHAT'S NEW THANKS TO MOLECULAR SEQUENCING



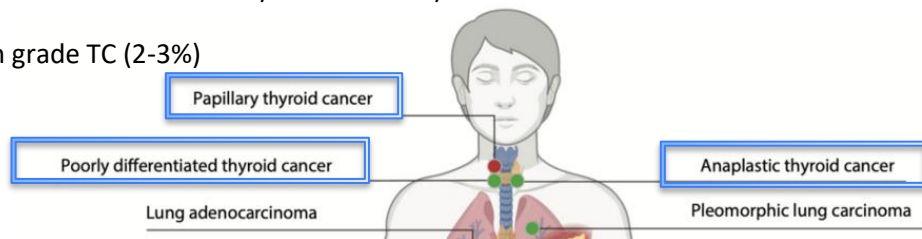
Genetic Alteration	Histology	Selective Kinase Inhibitor	Efficacy	FDA-Approved
<i>BRAF</i> V600E	DTC	Dabrafenib (n = 26) ²⁰	ORR 42%, median PFS 10.7 months	No
		Vemurafenib (n = 51) ²¹	ORR 38%, median PFS 18.2 months (TKI-naïve); ORR 27%, median PFS 8.9 months (pretreated)	No
	ATC	Dabrafenib/trametinib (n = 36) ⁴⁵	ORR 56%, median PFS 6.7 months, OS 14.5 months	Yes
<i>RET</i> alteration				
<i>RET</i> fusion	All	Pralsetinib (n = 9) ²⁴	ORR 89%, DOR > 12 months in 86% (pretreated)	Yes
		Selpercatinib (n = 27) ²²	ORR 100%, DOR > 6 months in 75% (TKI-naïve)	Yes
			ORR 79%, DOR 18.4 months (pretreated)	
<i>RET</i> mutation	MTC	Selpercatinib (n = 193) ⁴⁴	ORR 69.4%, 12-month PFS 86.8% (TKI-naïve)	Yes
<i>NTRK</i> fusion	All	Entrectinib (n = 13) ²⁷	ORR 53.8%, median PFS 19.9 months	Yes
		Larotrectinib (n = 20 DTC; ²⁵ n = 7 ATC) ⁴⁶	ORR 86%, 24-month PFS 84%, and OS 92% (DTC); ORR 14%, median OS 8.8 months (ATC)	Yes
<i>ALK</i> fusion	DTC	Alectinib ^{32,33}	Case reports	No
		Crizotinib ^{30,31}	Case reports	No
		Lorlatinib ³¹	Case reports	No
<i>ROS1</i> fusion	DTC	Entrectinib ^{34,35}	Case reports	No

WHAT'S NEW THANKS TO MOLECULAR SEQUENCING

RET ALTERED THYROID CANCER PATIENTS

Papillary thyroid cancer (5%–10%):
RET/CCDC6 or RET/NCOA4

High grade TC (2-3%)



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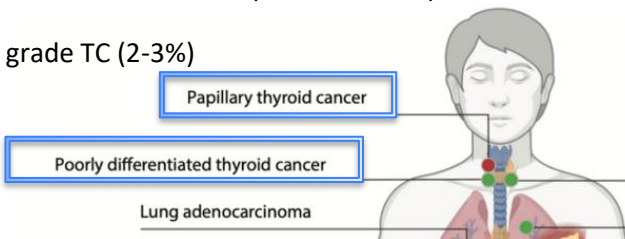
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Indicación EMA

Indicación AEMPS

High grade TC (2-3%)



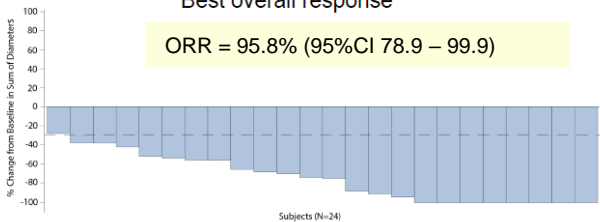
RET fusion-positive TC efficacy population (N=65) including:

Treatment naïve (n=24)
Pre-treated patients (n=41)

Treatment Naïve Patients with RET Fusion-positive TC

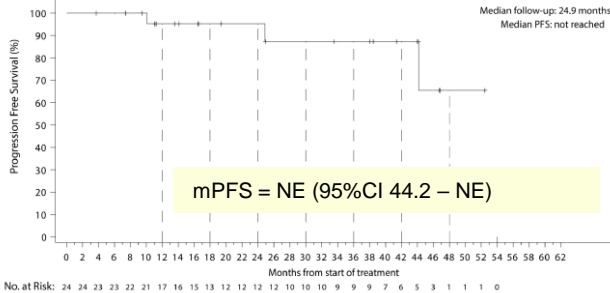
Best overall response

ORR = 95.8% (95%CI 78.9 – 99.9)



Progression Free Survival

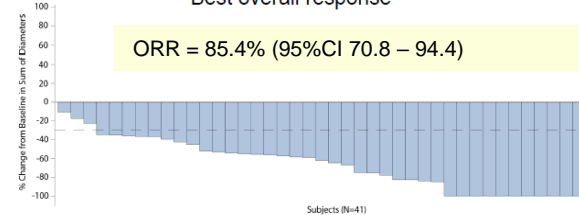
mPFS = NE (95%CI 44.2 – NE)



Pre-treated Patients with RET Fusion-positive TC

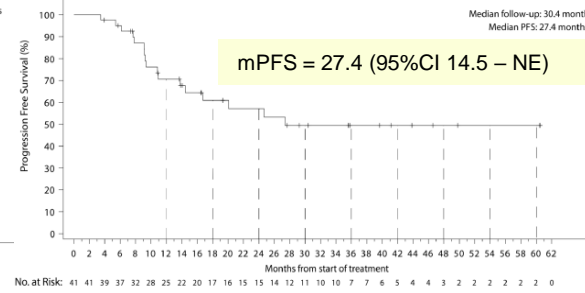
Best overall response

ORR = 85.4% (95%CI 70.8 – 94.4)



Progression Free Survival

mPFS = 27.4 (95%CI 14.5 – NE)



Top: Waterfall Plot Based on IRC Assessments. Best change in tumor size was defined as the ratio of smallest post-baseline tumor size compared to the baseline assessment by IRC. Bottom: Kaplan-Meier plot based on IRC assessments. + = Censored.

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WHAT'S NEW THANKS TO MOLECULAR SEQUENCING

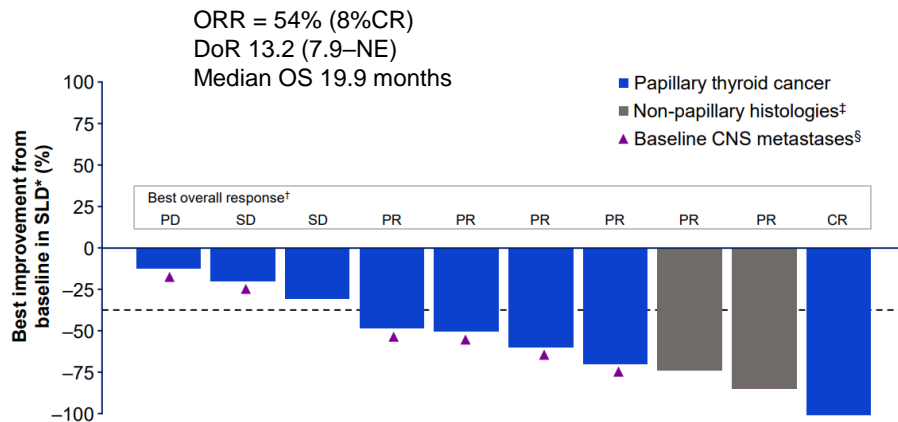
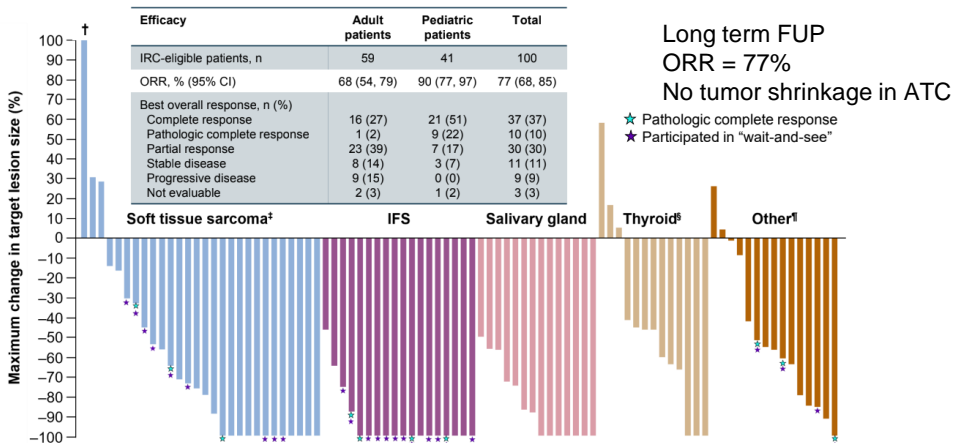
NTRK ALTERED THYROID CANCER PATIENTS

Annals of Oncology (2024) 35 (suppl_2): S482-S535
 Cabanillas M, et al. J Clin Oncol 2023; 41 (16); 6091
 Waguespack SG, et al. EJE 2022; 186 (6): 631-643
 Bowles DM, et al. 44th Annual Meeting of the European Thyroid Association, 2022

ORR = 63% for all patients.
 ORR DTC = 78% (13% CR)
 ORR ATC = 14% (0% CR)
 Median time to response = 1.9 months

LAROTRECTINIB (TRKA/B/C)
 Phase I
 Phase I/II (SCOUT)
 Phase II basket NAVIGATE
 N=30 patients → 17 patients

ENTRECTINIB (TRKA/B/C, ROS1, ALK)
 STARTRK-2 Ph II basket study
 (data cut-off 31 Aug 2020)
 N= 13 patients (NTRK1/NTRK3: N=4 /N= 9)



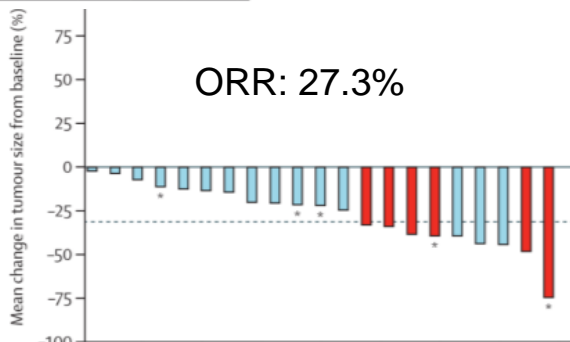
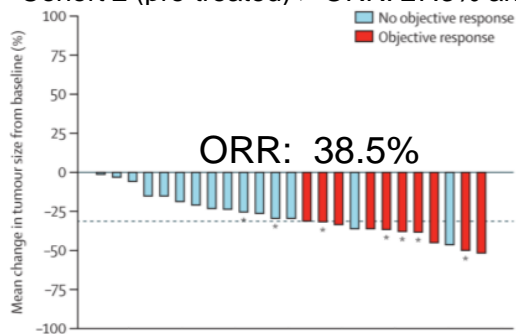
Adultos y pediátricos de ≥ 12 años con tumores sólidos fusión NTRK, quienes tienen enfermedad localmente avanzada, metastásica o donde es probable que una resección quirúrgica provoque una morbilidad severa, y quienes no tienen opciones terapéuticas satisfactorias

WHAT'S NEW THANKS TO MOLECULAR SEQUENCING EFFICACY FROM BRAF +/- MEK INHIBITORS

VEMURAFENIB¹:

Cohort 1 (treatment naive) > ORR: 38.5% and PFS: 18.2m

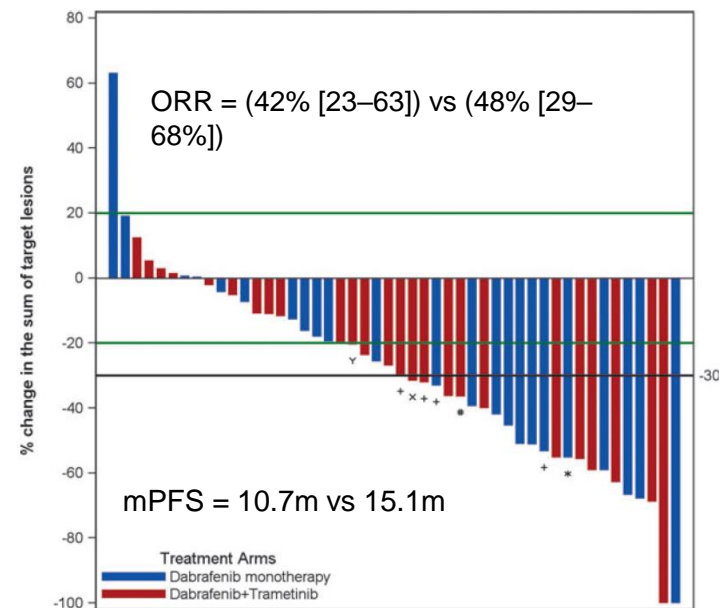
Cohort 2 (pre-treated) > ORR: 27.3% and PFS: 8.9m

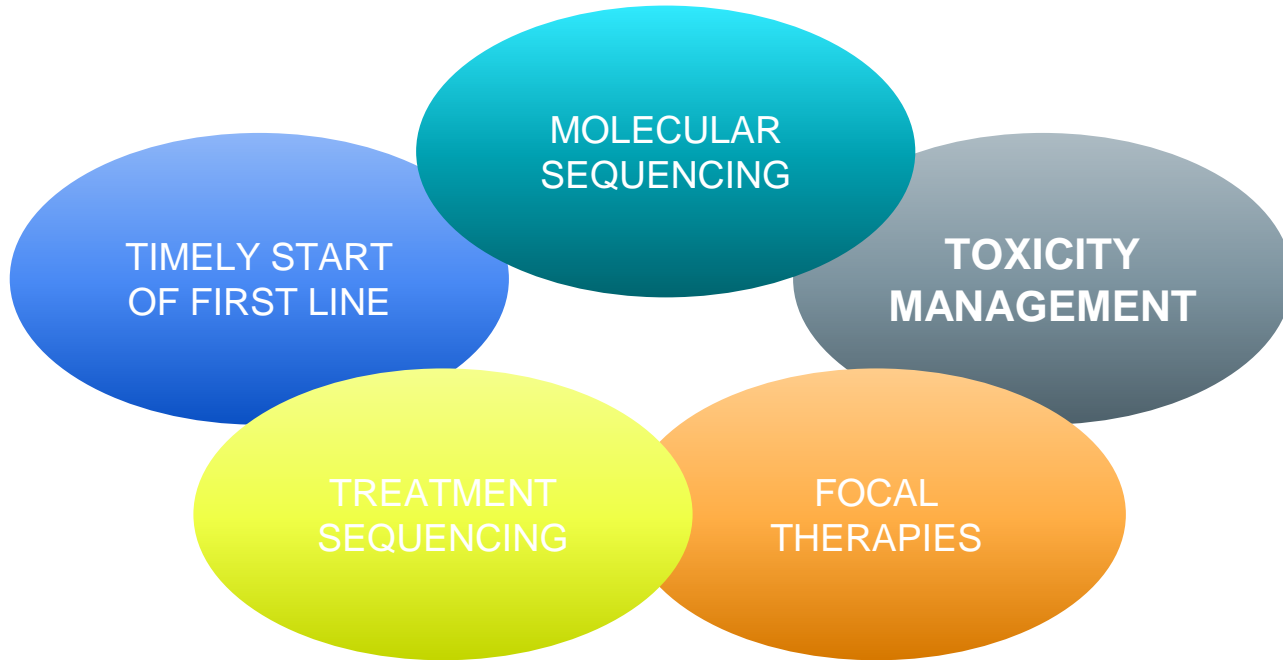


DABRAFENIB +/- TRAMETINIB²:

Phase II randomized

N=53 patients (26 D vs 27 D+T) with RR-DTC BRAF mut





TREATMENT OPTIMIZATION UNDER THERAPY



**DOSE
INITIATION**

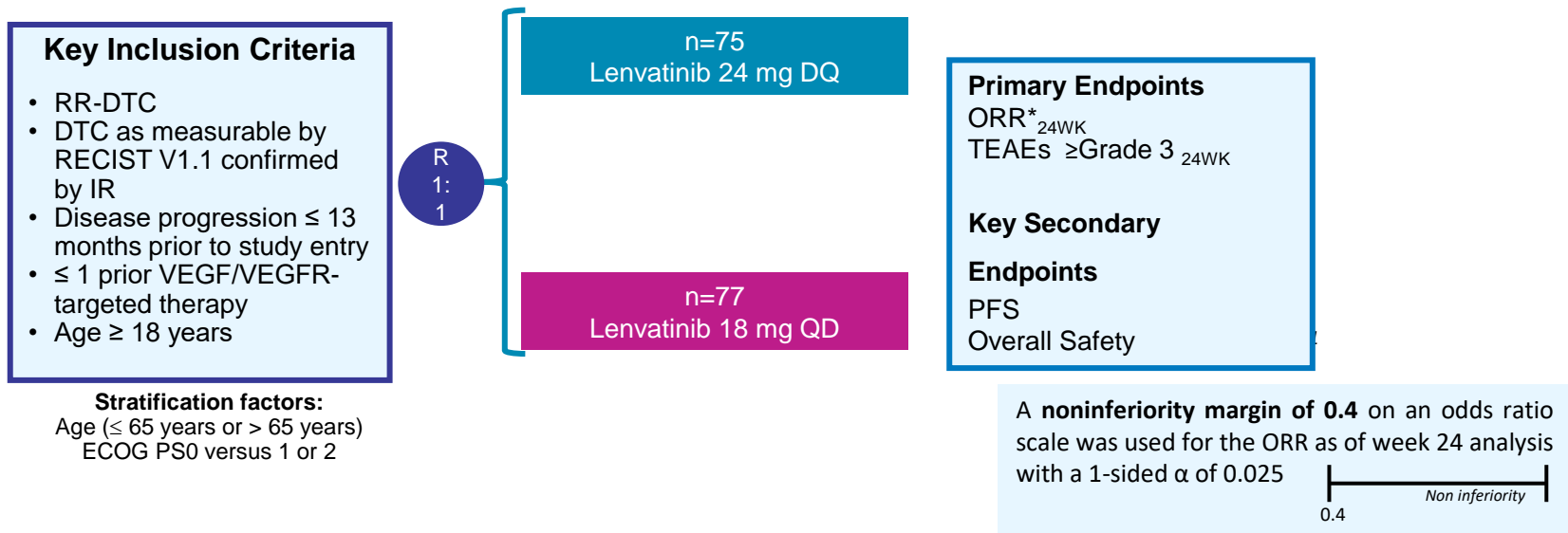


**TOXICITY
MANAGEMENT**

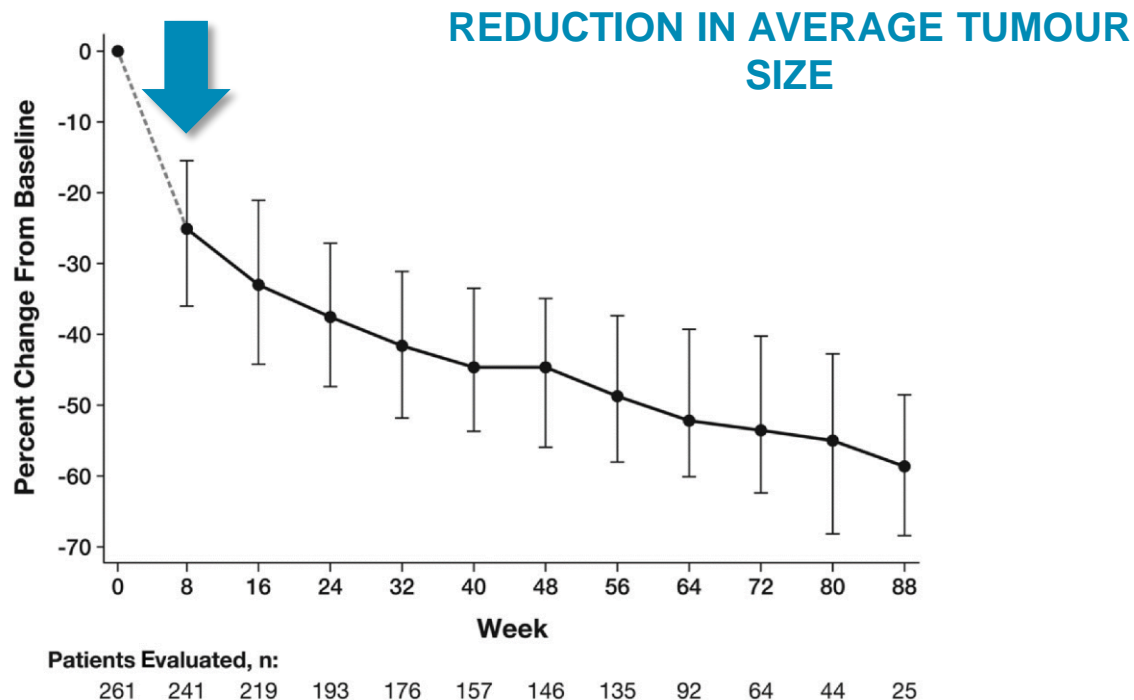
DOSE INITIATION

Phase 2 (Study 211)

Randomized, double-blind, multicenter trial to evaluate whether **18mg starting dose** of LENVIMA® provides **comparable efficacy with a better safety profile than a 24mg** starting in RAI-R DTC patients



DOSE INITIATION



A rapid initial decline in average tumour size (-25.2% ; median -25.0%) was observed by 8 weeks followed by a slower, continuous decrease at an average rate of -1.3% per month. Tumour regression continued throughout the course of the treatment.

TOXICITY MANAGEMENT -> Before MKI initiation

Preparing patients for treatment

- Blood pressure
- ECG
- Baseline N-terminal proBNP and echocardiogram if concerns about cardiac status
- Review of medications, e.g. concomitant drugs that may lead to QTc prolongation
- Bloods - full blood count (FBC), renal, liver and bone profile, magnesium (Mg), thyroid function tests (TFTs), BNP
- Thyroglobulin (Tg)
- Urinalysis for protein

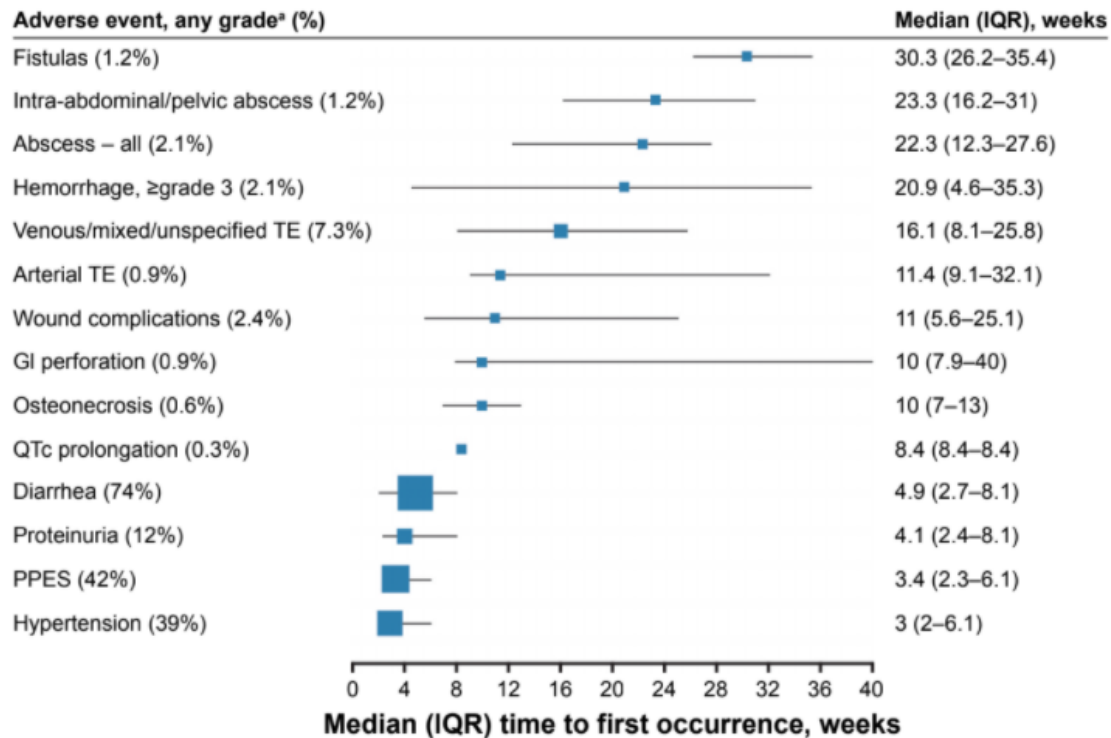
TOXICITY MANAGEMENT

RELATIVE CONTRAINDICATIONS TO MKI

- Poor cardiac function or recent myocardial infarction
- Uncontrolled HTN
- Large, unhealed wounds
- History of colitis, diverticulitis, intestinal perforation, recent bowel surgery
- Tumor invading trachea/esophagus/great vessels (endoscopic evaluation)
- Hemoptysis or use of anticoagulants
- Very low body weight (BMI: 18 – 21 kg/m²)

These relative contraindications should prompt a discussion with the patient regarding the risks and possibly a lower starting dose (considering the possible correlation between the dose of TKI and tumor shrinkage) or alternate drug choice.

TOXICITY MANAGEMENT – Time to AE onset



TOXICITY MANAGEMENT -> Time to toxicity resolution for reintroduction

PLASMA HALF-LIFE

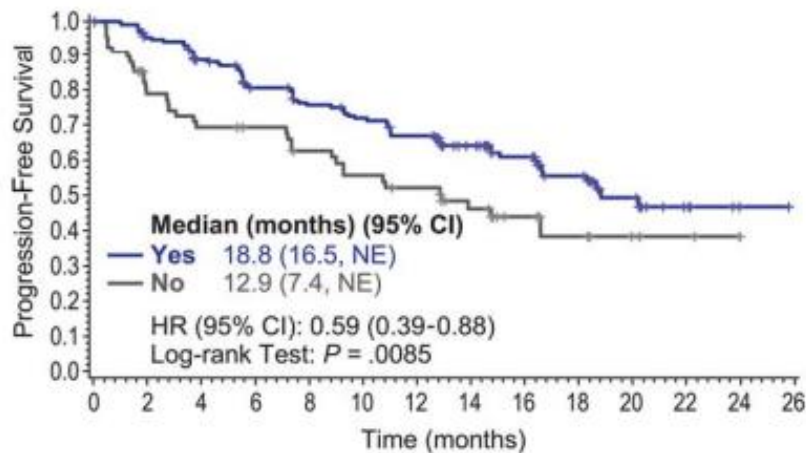
CABOZANTINIB
110 HOURS

LENVATINIB
24 HOURS

SORAFENIB
25-48 HOURS

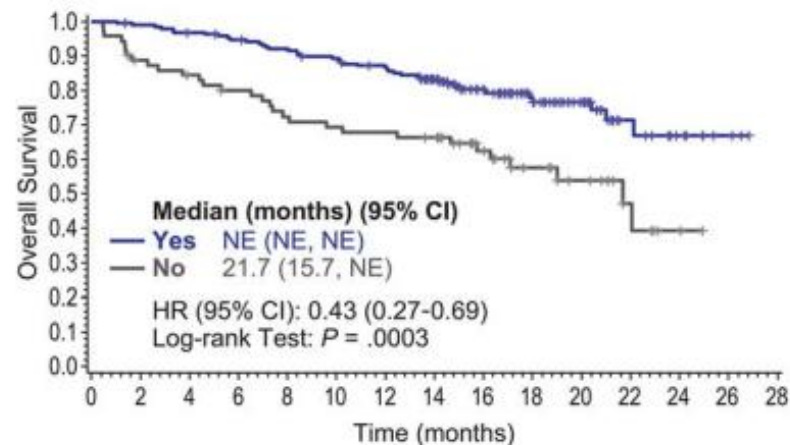
TOXICITY MANAGEMENT -> Predictive biomarkers?

LENVATINIB (SELECT TRIAL) AND HTN DEVELOPMENT



Number of patients with TE-HTN:

Yes	190	175	154	135	123	116	107	71	53	37	20	8	3	0
No	71	50	44	41	36	32	29	21	13	7	4	3	0	0

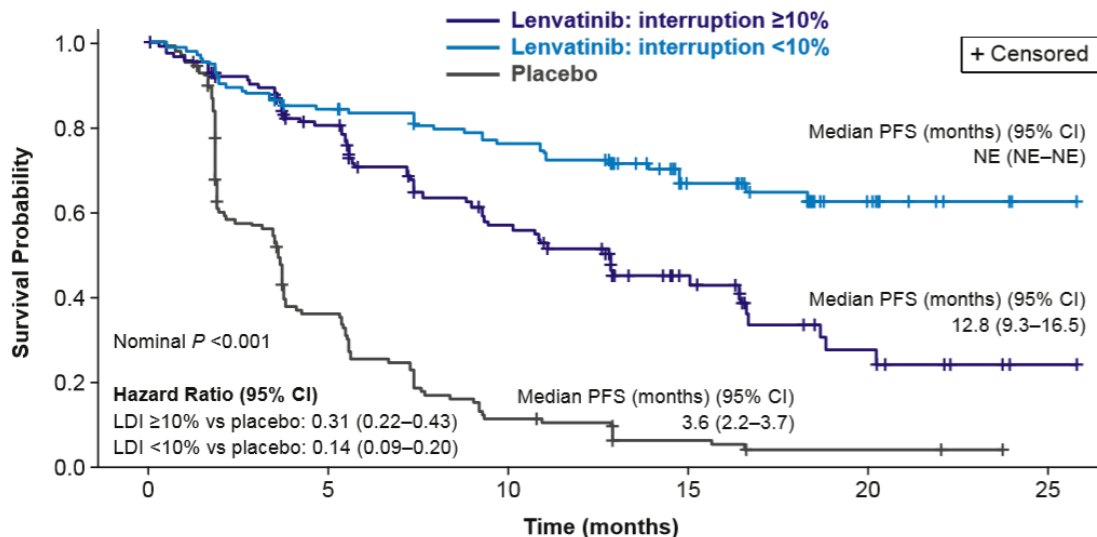


Number of patients with TE-HTN:

Yes	190	187	182	177	171	165	158	126	85	59	42	16	8	3	0
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TOXICITY MANAGEMENT -> MKI exposure

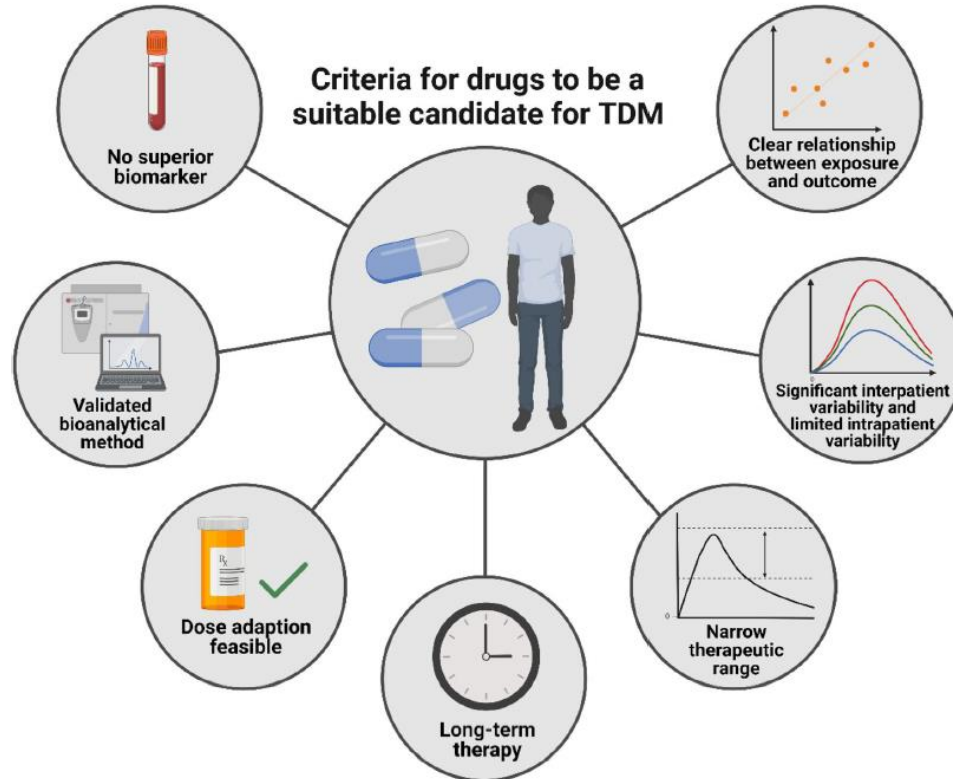
LENVATINIB (SELECT TRIAL) AND TREATMENT INTERRUPTION



Number of patients at risk:

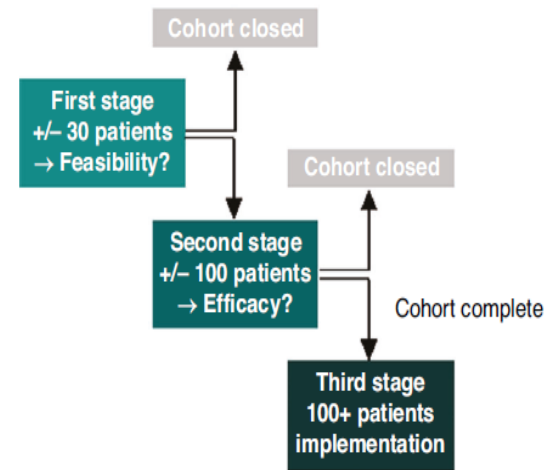
LDI $\geq 10\%$	127	106	88	70	59	52	45	27	21	13	9	6	1	0
LDI $< 10\%$	134	119	110	106	100	96	91	65	45	31	15	5	2	0
Placebo	131	71	43	29	19	13	11	5	4	2	2	2	0	0

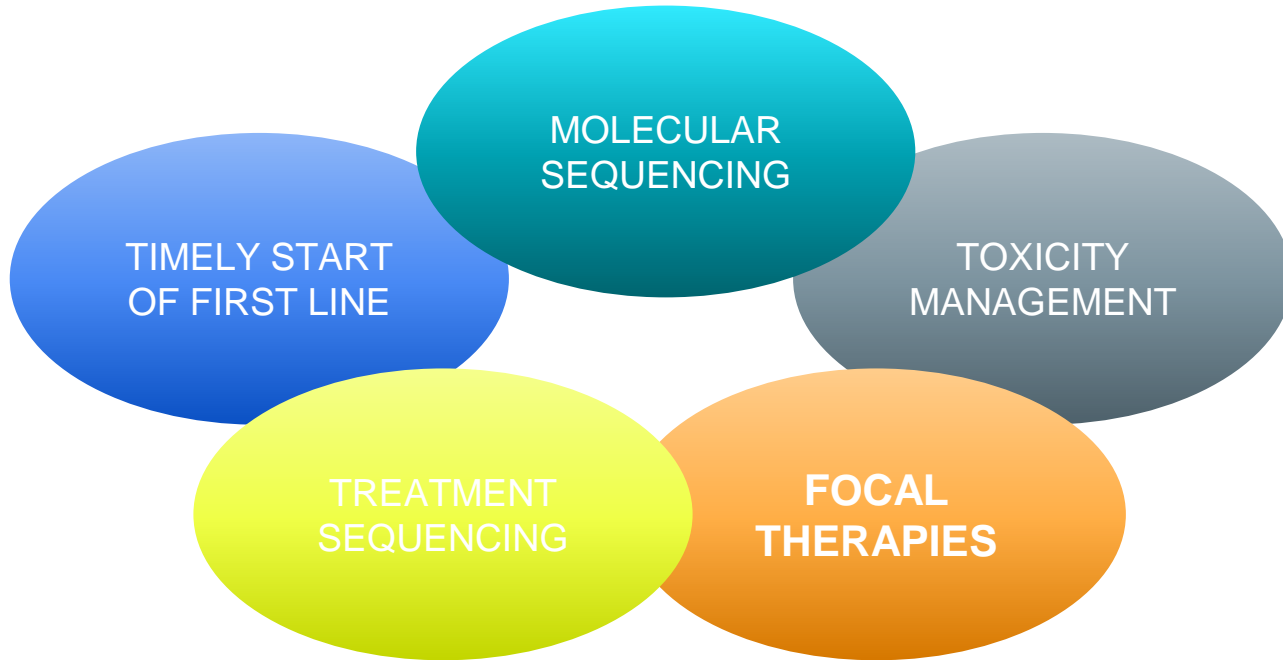
TOXICITY MANAGEMENT -> MKI exposure



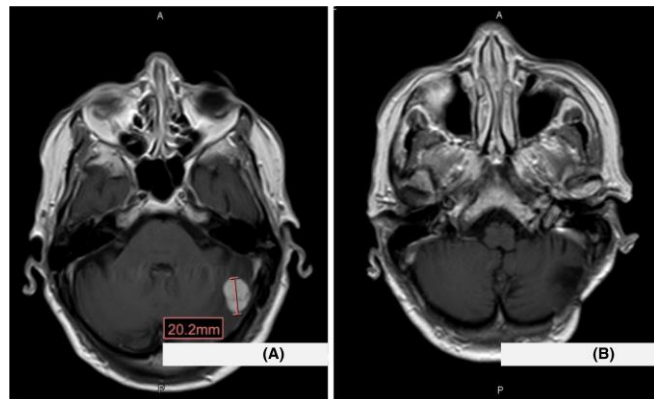
TOXICITY MANAGEMENT -> MKI exposure

Drug	Pk parameter	Safety	Efficacy
Axitinib	AUC at 4 weeks from treatment start Css,trough	>6.6 ng/ml associated with ≥G2 hypothyroidism. >7.1 ng/ml associated with ≥G2 asthenia	>300 ng h/ml: better OS and PFS 154-620 ng h/ml better OS and PFS >5 ng/ml associated with longer OS
Pazopanib	Css,trough	≥ 15 mg/ml associated with higher rate of HTN	>15 mg/ml associated with PR/SD <15 mg/ml associated with PD ≥ 20.5 mg/ml longer PFS and greater tumor shrinkage
Sunitinib	Css,trough AUC ₀₋₂₄	≥ 100 ng/ml higher toxicity rate >2150 ng/ml/h higher grade 3-4 toxicity	Optimal concentration between 50 and 100 ng/ml (preclinical data) <100 ng/ml associated with longer PFS and TTF >100 ng/ml associated with worse outcomes Lower in PD patients compared with AUC ₀₋₂₄ at treatment start.
Cabozantinib	Css,trough	≥ 617.7 ng/ml a 63.3% sensitivity and a 65.3% specificity to detect relevant toxicity (i.e. G3-4 toxicities and G2 toxicities determining a dose reduction or a drug discontinuation	< 536.8 ng/ml, 64.3% sensitivity and a 73.5% specificity to detect disease progression.





CNS metastases



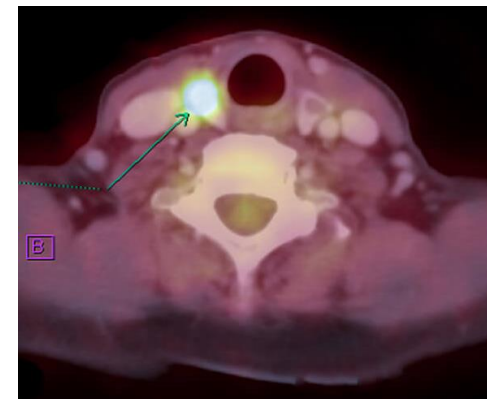
Focal therapy: SRS, Surgery, *WBRT*
Selective inhibitors may change
treatment approach

Bone lesions

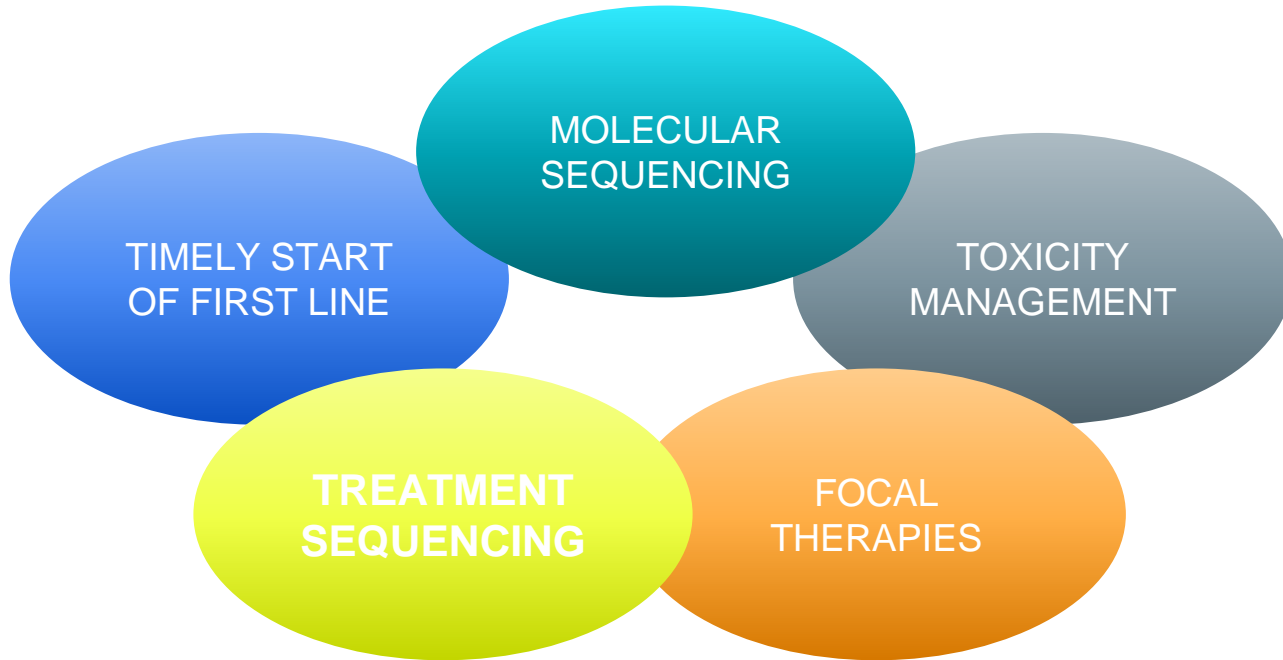


Focal therapy + Antiresorptive
drugs, such as zoledronic acid or
denosumab

Treatment beyond progression

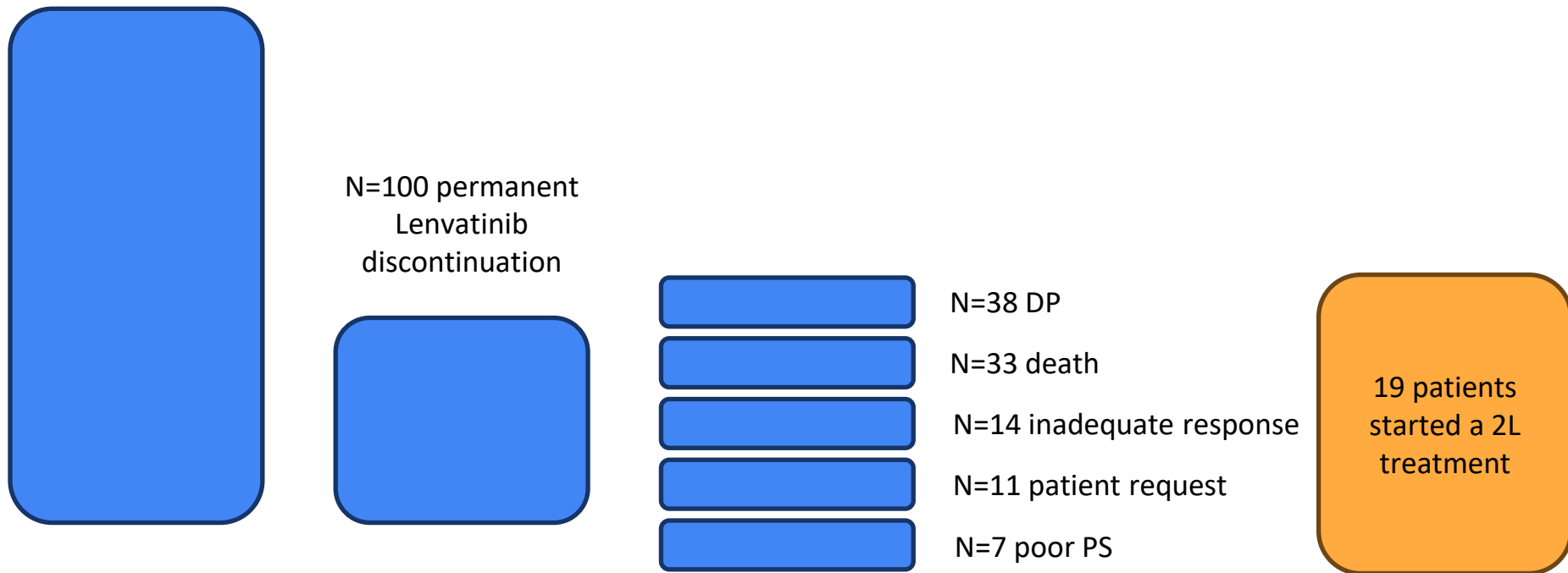


Solitary lesions progressing in the
setting of other stable lesions.
Different techniques are currently
available → MTD



SUBSEQUENT TREATMENT LINES

N=308 RAI-R DTC (ORR=72,4%; mPFS=49m; mOS=NR)

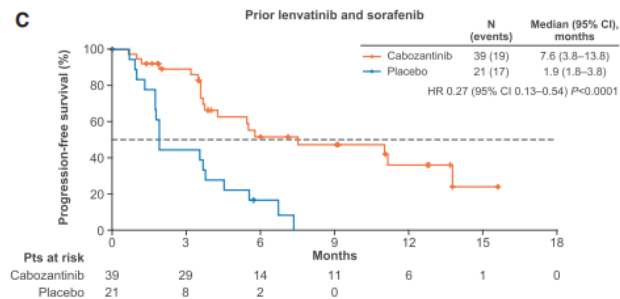
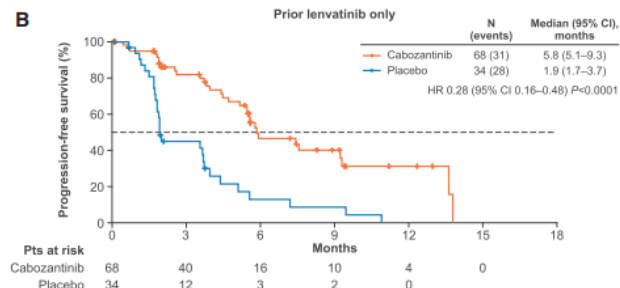
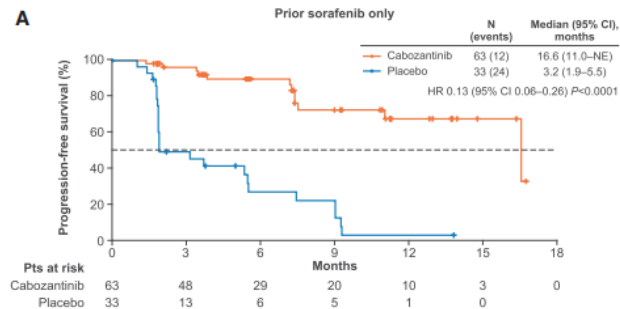


TREATMENT SEQUENCING

COSMIC 311

N=258

- Locally advanced or metastatic, RAI-refractory or ineligible DTC
- Progression during or after up to 2 prior VEGFR TKIs
- Prior TKI must include Lenvatinib or sorafenib
- mPFS = 11.0 vs 1.9 months (HR 0.22).
- ORR = 11.0% vs 0%



TREATMENT SEQUENCE

SELPERCATINIB

ORR = 85.4% (95%CI 70.8 – 94.4)
mPFS = 27.4 (95%CI 14.5 – NE)
2-y PFS = 57.1% (95%CI 38.6 - 71.8)
mDOR = 26.7 months (12.1 - NE)

LAROTRECTINIB

ORR = 78% (13% CR)
DoR rate at 24 months was 81%
OS rate at 24 months was 92%

ENTRECTINIB

ORR = 54% (8%CR)
DoR 13.2 (7.9–NE)
Median OS 19.9 months

Advanced RAI-R DTC

RAI-R evaluation
Optimal moment to start systemic treatment
Molecular testing (BRAF mutations, RET fusions, NTRK fusions)

Rapidly progressive

Symptomatic
Aggressive histology
Risk of death
Bulky disease

1st line

Lenvatinib (early start)

RET: Selpercatinib^A
NTRK: Entrectinib/Larotrectinib^B

Moderately progressive

Threat to vital structures
Risk of clinical worsening
Radiological progression

1st line

Lenvatinib

RET: Selpercatinib^A
NTRK: Entrectinib/Larotrectinib^B

Indolent disease

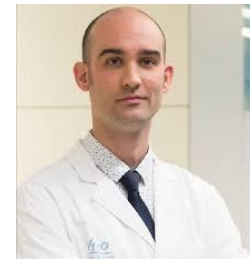
Asymptomatic
Low volume, slow progression

Consider W&W

1st line

Sorafenib/Lenvatinib

RET: Selpercatinib^A
NTRK: Entrectinib/Larotrectinib^B



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Further lines Clinical trials BRAF: Dabrafenib +/- Trametinib ^B (early lines in case of high expected toxicity with approved drugs) Chemotherapy Other MKI supported by phase II clinical trials (i.e. pazopanib, sunitinib, axitinib) ^B Best supportive care		

CONCLUSIONS

Molecular knowledge in thyroid cancer has demonstrated diagnostic and therapeutic implications.

Clinical (tumor-related and patient-related), metabolic and molecular factors should be considered in treatment decision.

Optimal management in DTC-RAR involves MTD teams from the beginning and through treatment administration.