



# Hot news in Lung cancer: Targeting RET and BRAF

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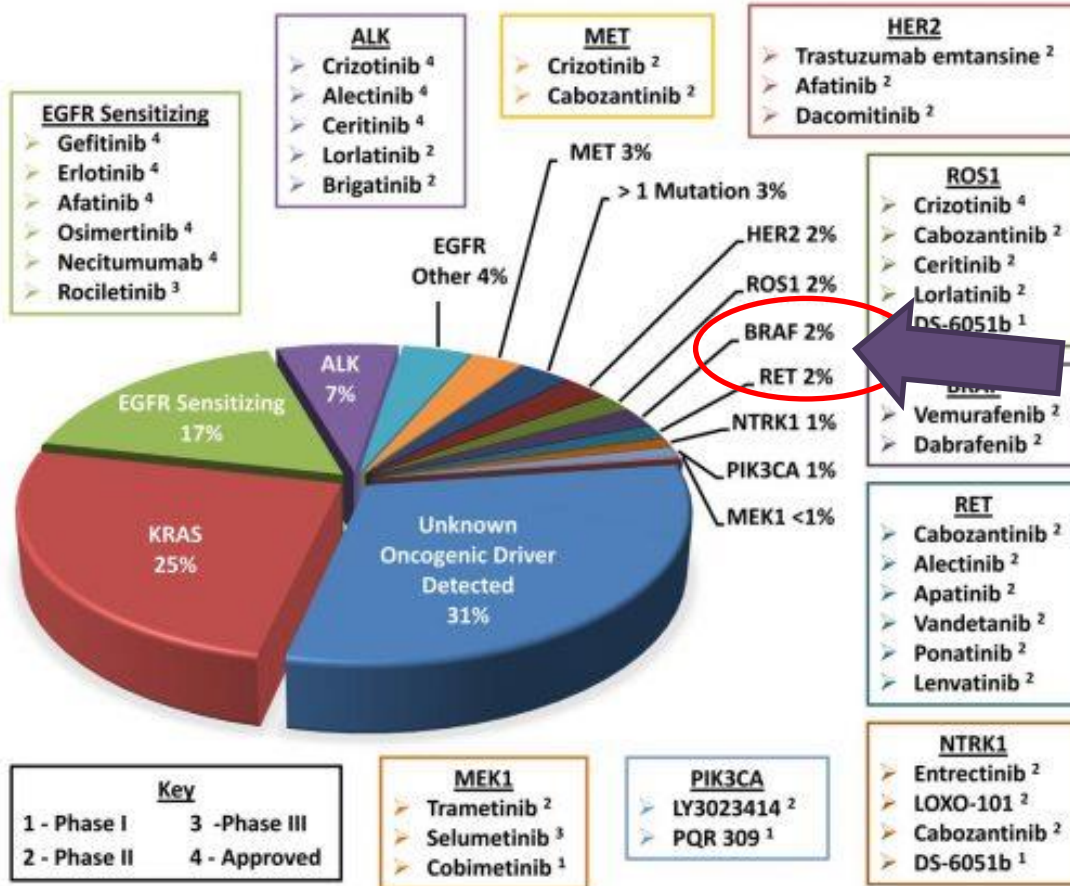
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# Agenda

- ❖ **BRAF basket trials**
- ❖ **BRAF therapy in NSCLC**
- ❖ **RET pathway**
- ❖ **RET inhibitors in RET fusion + NSCLC**

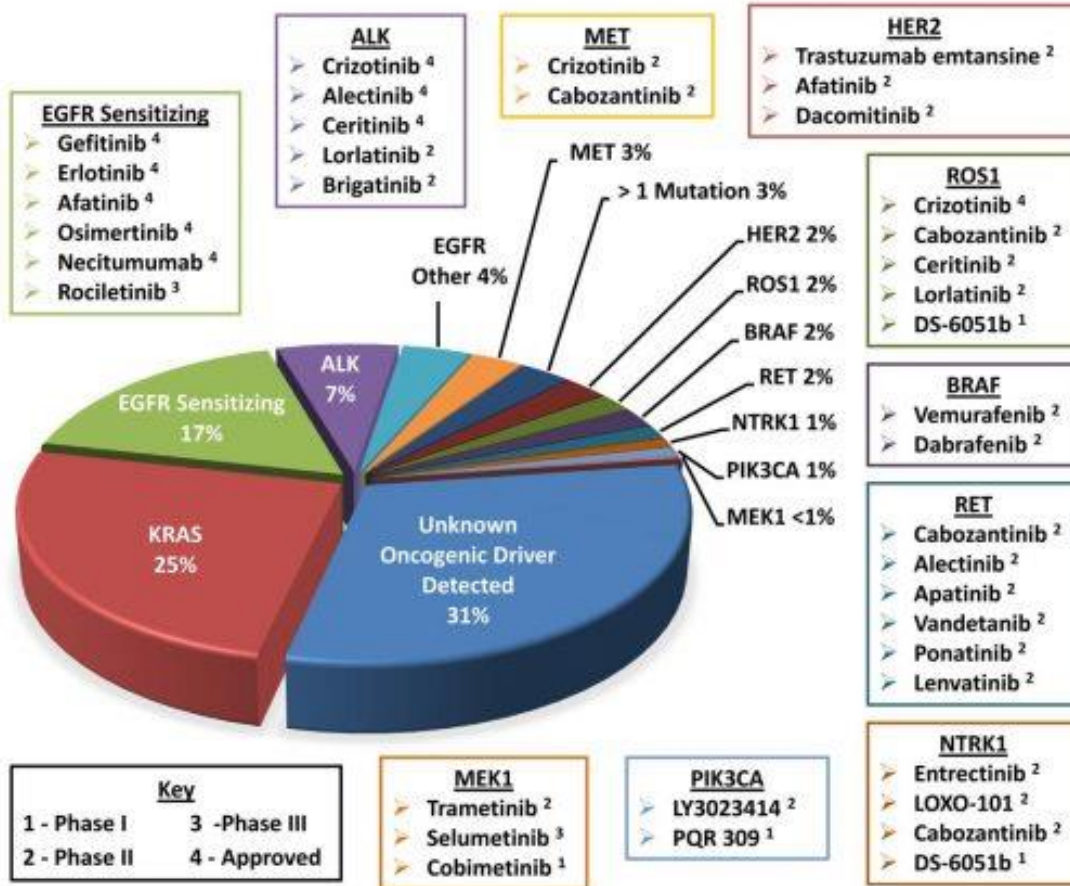


## BRAF in Cancer

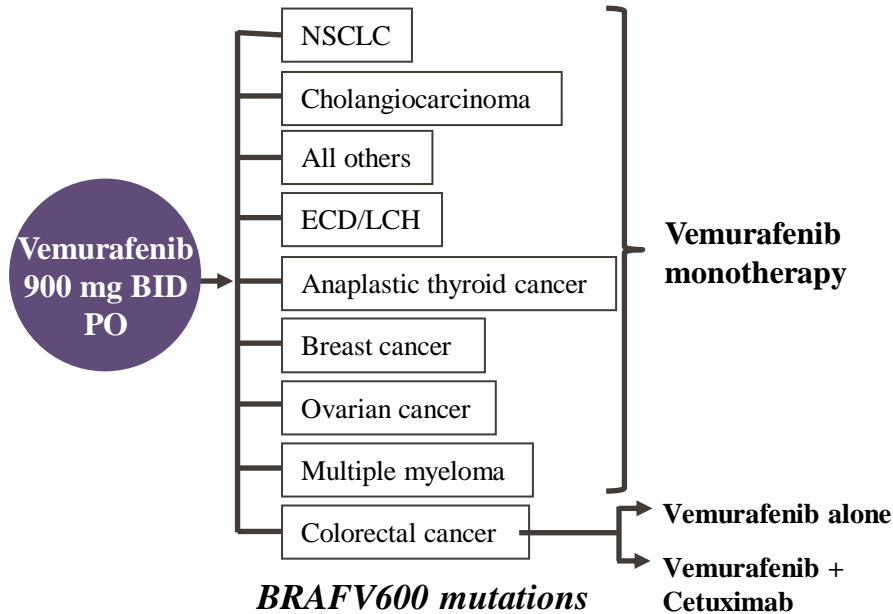
- ❖ BRAFmut oncogene - 5-10% of all human malignancies.
- ❖ Constitutive activation of the MAPK pathway
- ❖ Most common mutation of BRAF valine-to-glutamic acid substitution at codon 600 (V600E)
- ❖ Driver mutation in
  - Solid tumors such as melanoma, colorectal cancer, papillary thyroid cancer, **NSCLC**, ovarian cancer and GIST etc.
  - Hematological malignancies such as Multiple myeloma, Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis, Erdheim-Chester Disease, Hairy Cell Leukemia etc

## BRAF Mutation Incidence in Rare Cancers

Tumor Type	Sample size	BRAF V600E Mutation Rate (%)	Reference
Anaplastic Thyroid Cancer	94	24	Xing 2005
Biliary Tract Cancer	Cholangiocarcinoma (69)	16	Tannapfel 2003
	Gall bladder (21)	33	Saetta 2004
Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor	321	2 to 5	Hostein 2010
Germ Cell Tumor (GCT)	100	1	Honecker 2009
Low grade glioma (adult)	Pilocytic astrocytoma (22)	9	Schindler 2011
	Oligodendroglioma (62)	2	
	Pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma (38)	63	
	Ganglioglioma (53)	21	
High grade glioma (adult)	Anaplastic ganglioglioma (5)	40	Schindler 2011
	Secondary glioblastoma (18)	6	
	Giant cell glioblastoma (15)	7	
Hairy Cell Leukemia	47	100	Tiacci 2011
Multiple Myeloma	22	4	Walker 2012
Adenocarcinoma of the Small Intestine	35	3	Schonleben 2009
Erdheim-Chester disease	24	54	Haroche 2012
Langerhans cell histiocytosis	29	38	Haroche 2012
Ameloblastoma	24	63	Kurppa 2014
Low-Grade Serous Ovarian Cancer	65	12.3	Moujaber 2018
Papillary thyroid cancer	245	51	Kebebew 2007
Endometrial Adenocarcinoma	28	10.7	Mai 2013
Colorectal Cancer	519	8.7	Tol 2009

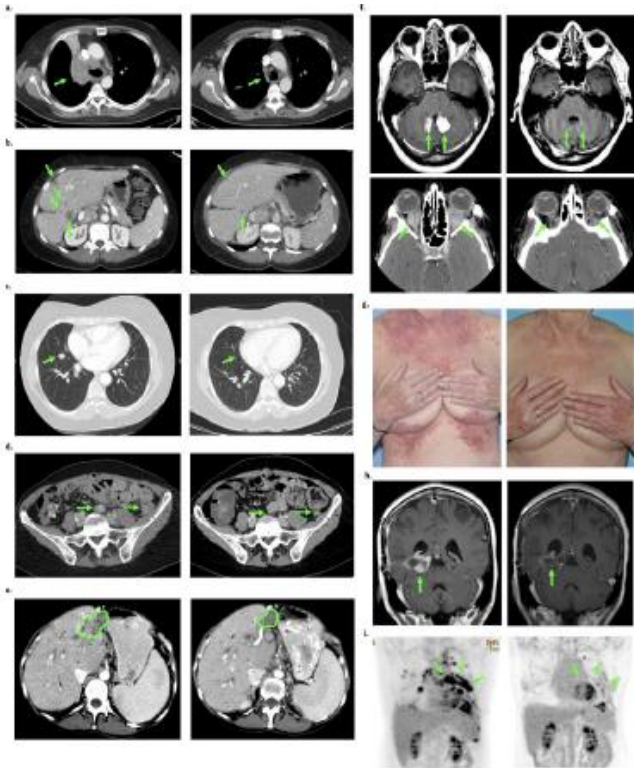


# Vemurafenib Basket Trial



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- ❖ Responses in pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma, anaplastic thyroid cancer, cholangiocarcinoma, salivary-duct cancer, ovarian cancer, and clear-cell sarcoma
- ❖ Among patients with colorectal cancer who received vemurafenib and cetuximab.
- ❖ Validated BRAF V600 as a therapeutic target beyond melanoma
- ❖ Lead to tumor-agnostic sensitivity to vemurafenib with the exception of colorectal cancer



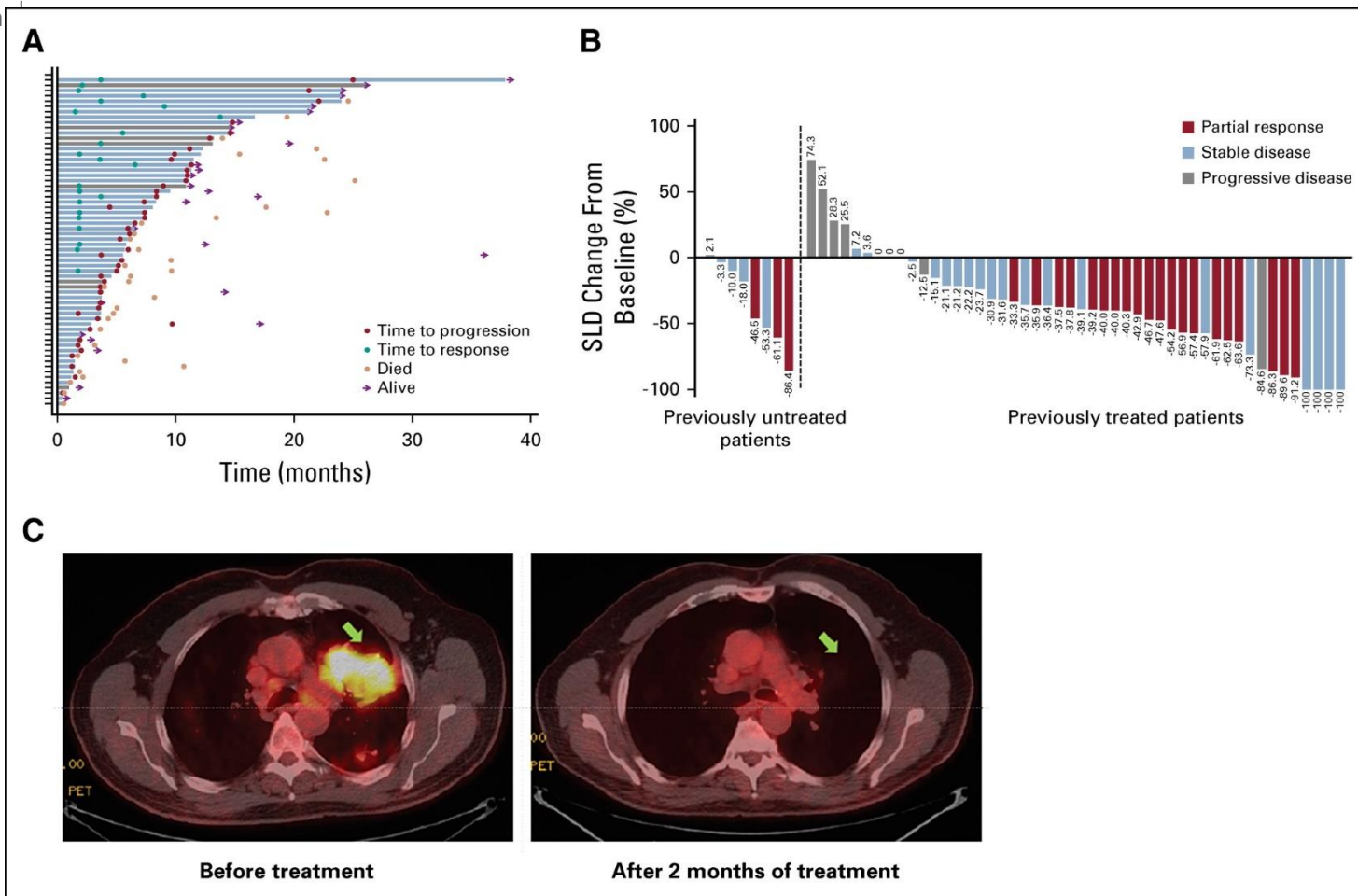


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# Efficacy of Vemurafenib in Patients With Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer With *BRAF* V600 Mutation: An Open-Label, Single-Arm Cohort of the Histology-Independent VE-BASKET Study

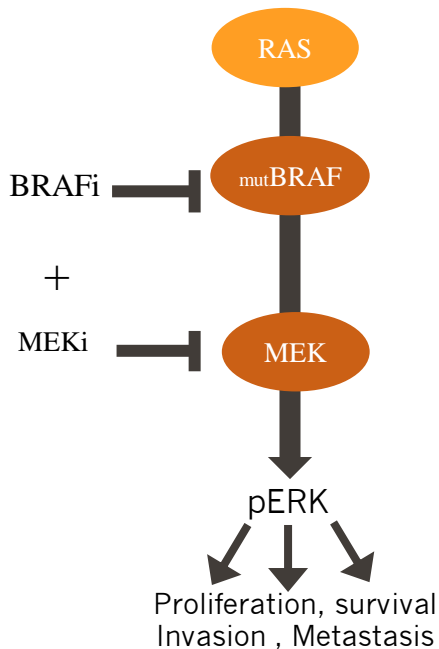
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- ❖ Objective Response Rate was 37.1% (95% CI, 25.2% to 50.3%) overall
- ❖ Median progression-free survival was 6.5 months (95% CI, 5.2 to 9.0 months),
- ❖ Median overall survival was 15.4 months (95% CI, 9.6 to 22.8 months).

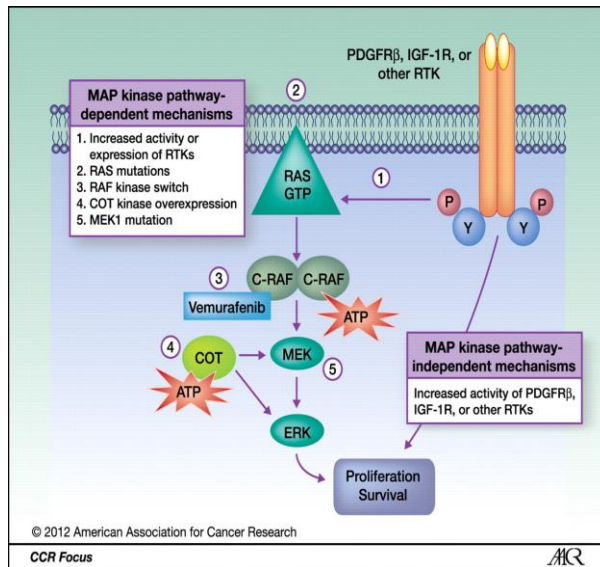


# Rationale for the TAF/MEK Combination

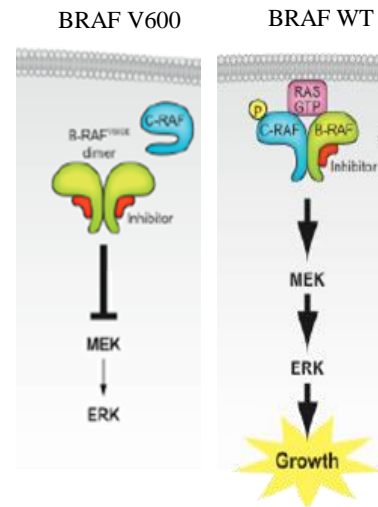
Sustained target inhibition to observe more prolonged and durable anti-tumor effect



Delay and potentially prevent the development of resistance



Prevent/delay hyperproliferative lesions and secondary malignancies





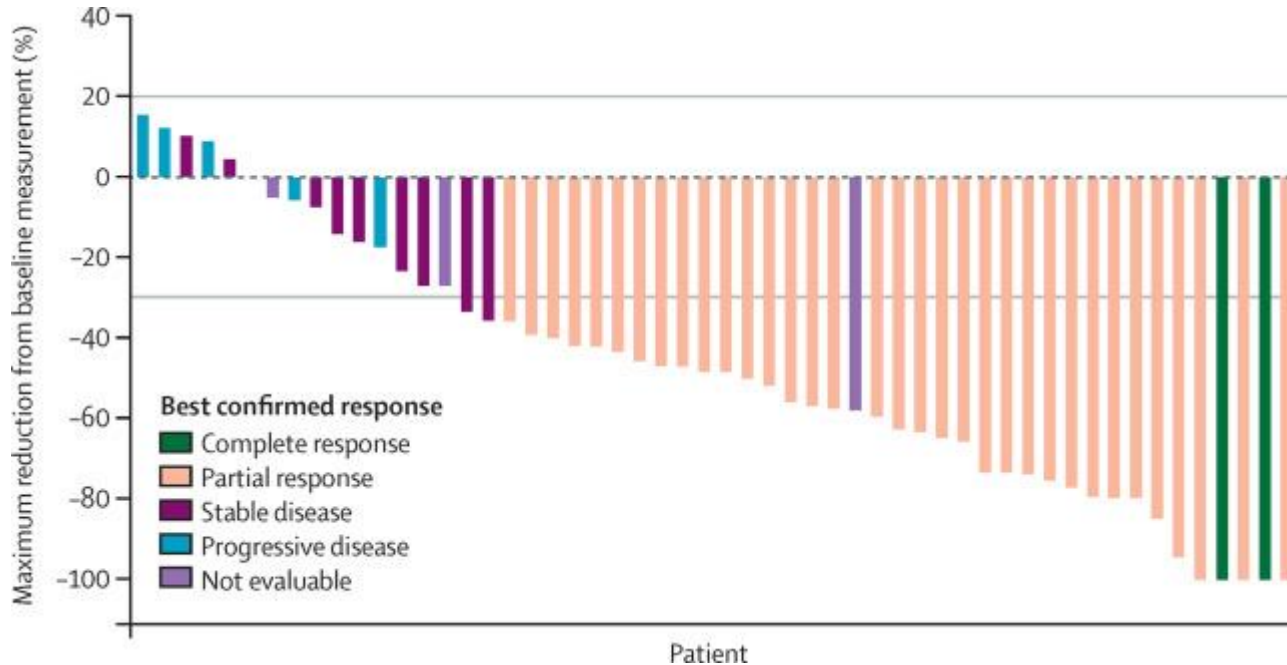
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- ❖ **ORR = 63 % NSCLC.**
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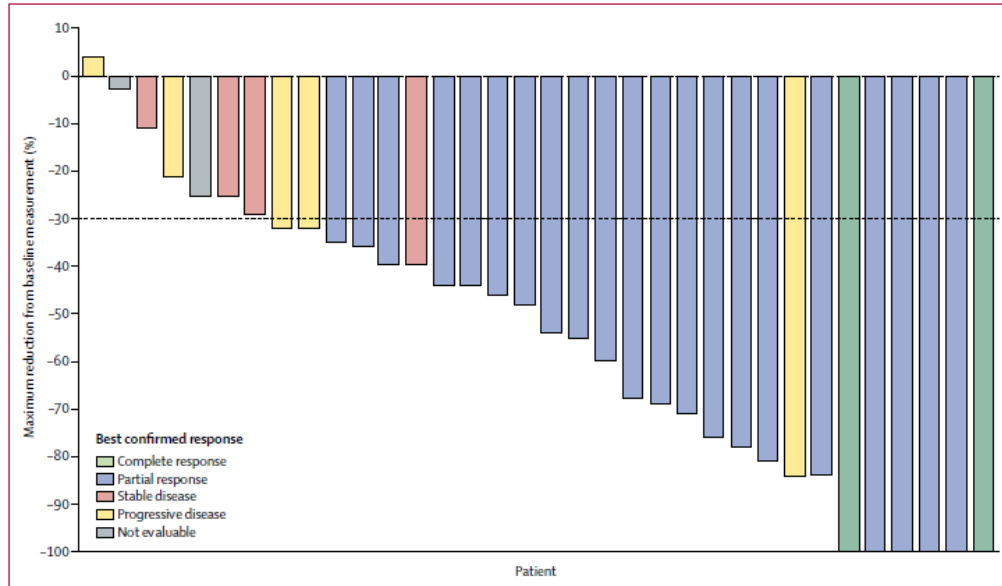


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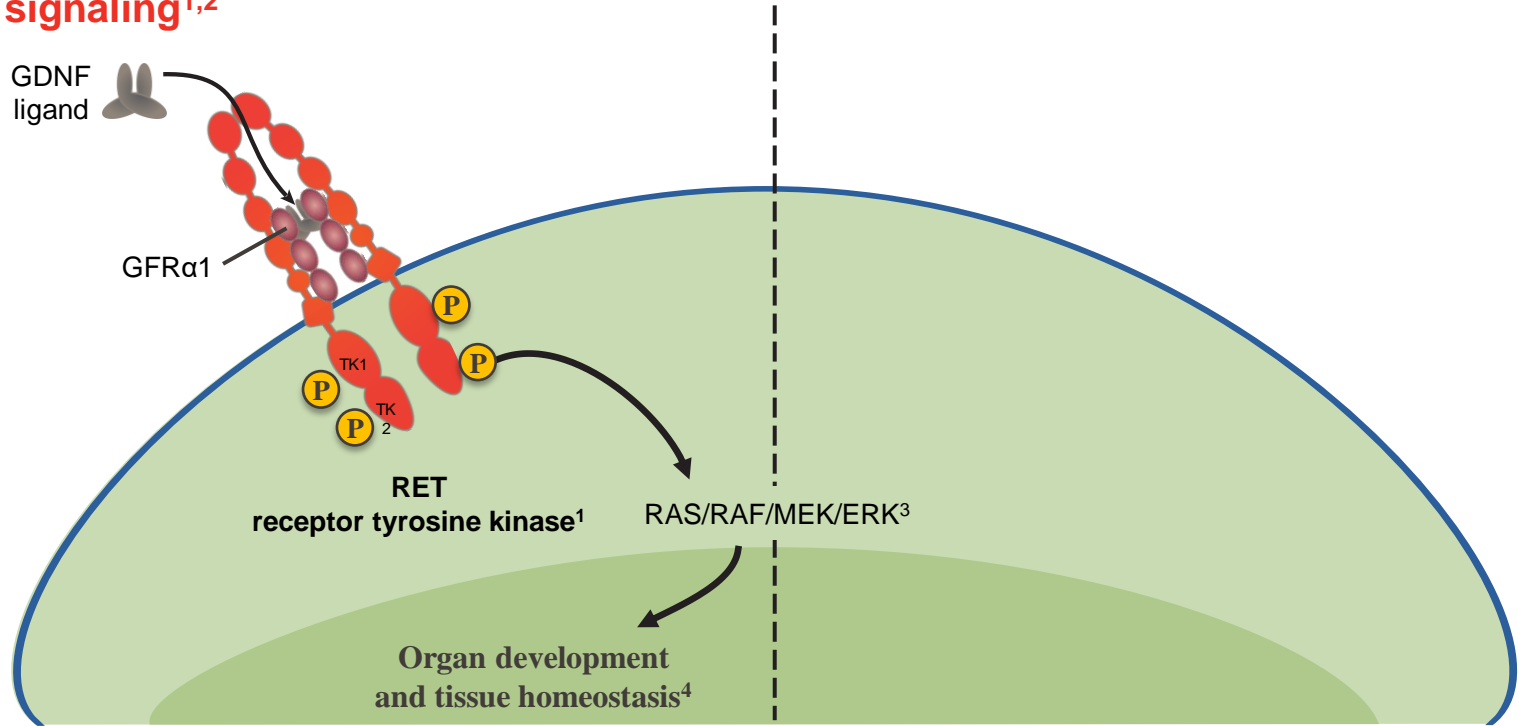


# RET targeting

- ❖ **RET aberrations in oncology**
- ❖ **RET alterations in NSCLC**
- ❖ **Multi-kinase drugs**
- ❖ **Selective RET inhibitors**
- ❖ **LOXO-292**
- ❖ **BLU-667**
- ❖ **Future directions**

# RET is an RTK required for normal development<sup>1</sup>

## Normal RET signaling<sup>1,2</sup>

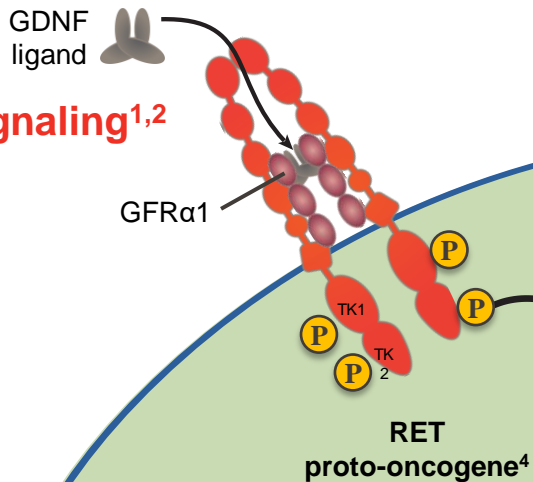


ERK, extracellular signal-regulated kinase; GDNF, glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor; GFR, GDNF family receptor; MAPK, mitogen-activated protein kinase; MEK, MAPK/ERK kinase; P, phosphorylation; RAF, rapidly accelerated fibrosarcoma; RAS, rat sarcoma; RET, rearranged during transfection; RTK, receptor tyrosine kinase; TK, tyrosine kinase.

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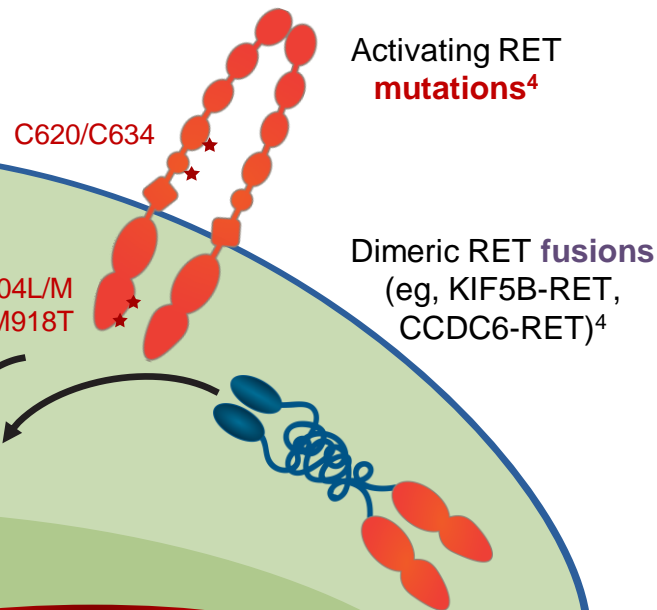
# Alterations in RET structure and function can lead to tumorigenesis<sup>1</sup>

**Normal RET signaling<sup>1,2</sup>**



Organ development and tissue homeostasis<sup>4</sup>

**Oncogenic RET signaling<sup>4</sup>**

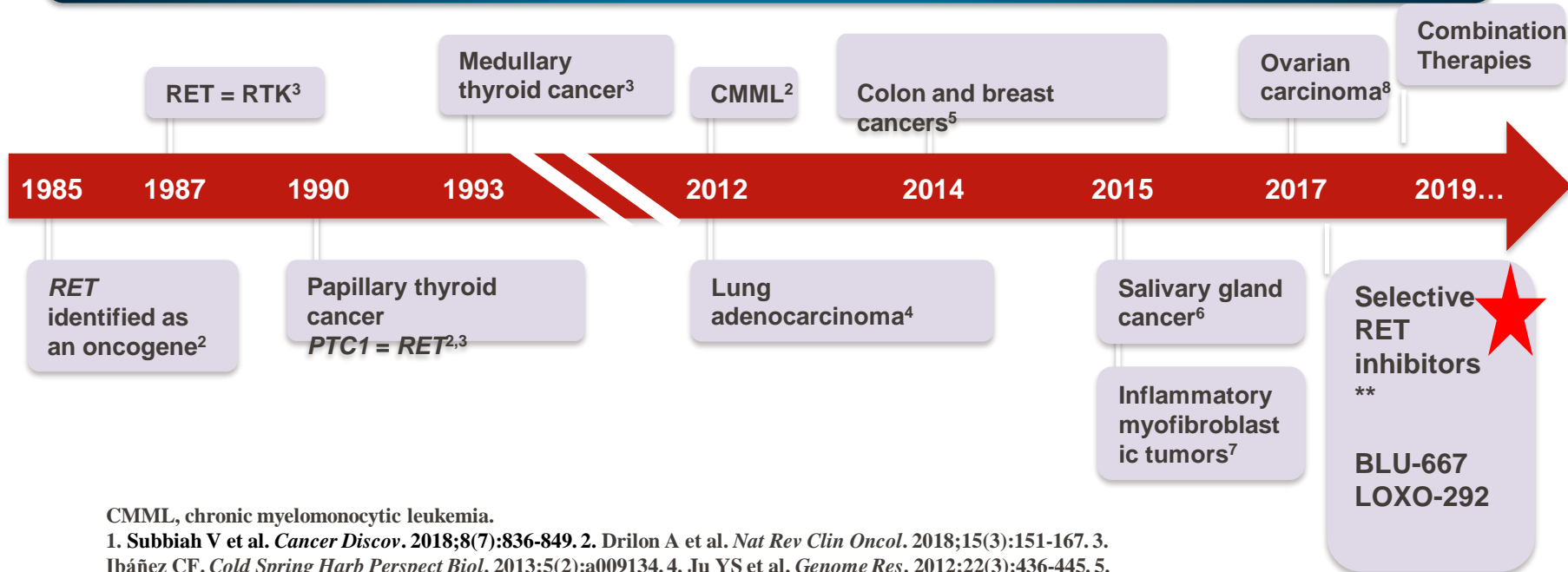


**Tumorigenesis<sup>4</sup>**

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# Oncogenic *RET* alterations have been identified in numerous cancers<sup>1</sup>

*RET* is one of the first oncogenic kinase fusions cloned from an epithelial tumor, and has since been found to be an oncogenic driver primarily in solid tumors<sup>1,2</sup>

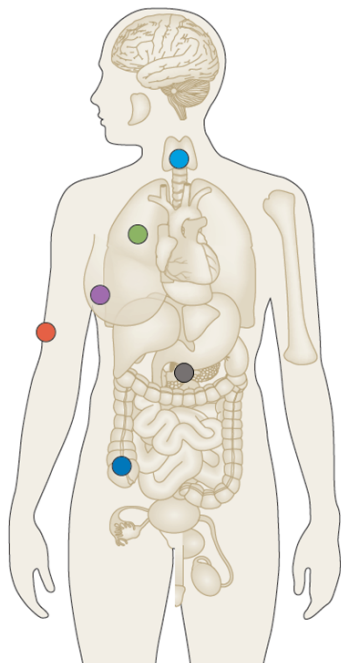


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# RET is activated by two major mechanisms in cancer

## RET fusions



Non-small cell lung cancer (2%)

Papillary and other thyroid cancers (10–20%)

Pancreatic cancer (<1%)

Salivary gland cancer (<1%)

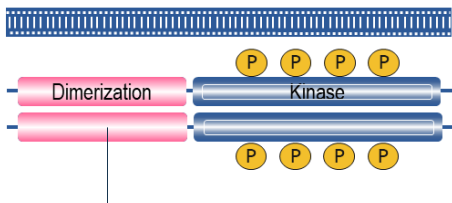
Spitz tumors (<1%)

Colorectal cancer (<1%)

Ovarian cancer (<1%)

Myeloproliferative disorders (<1%)

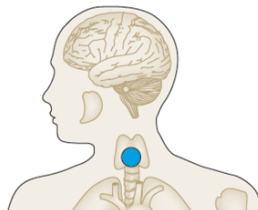
Many others (<1%)



**KIF5B** (most common in lung cancer)

**CCDC6 or NCOA4** (most common in thyroid cancer)

## RET mutations



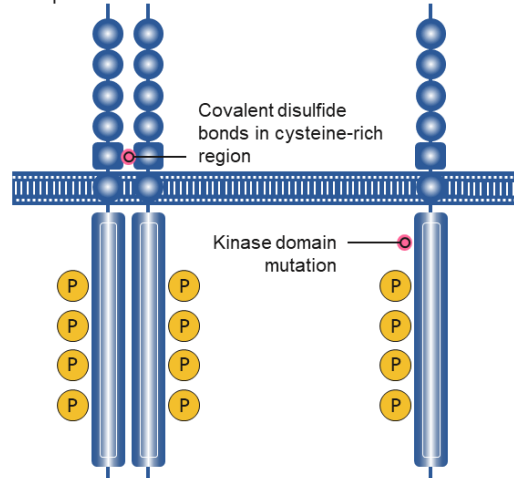
Medullary thyroid cancer

sporadic (>60%)

hereditary (>90%)

Activation by ligand-independent dimerization

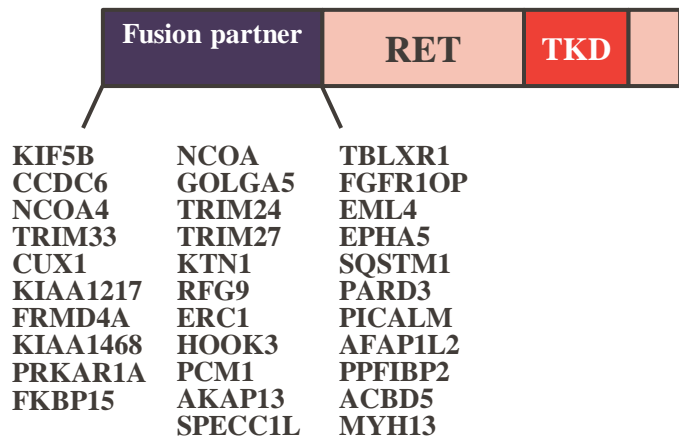
Direct kinase activation



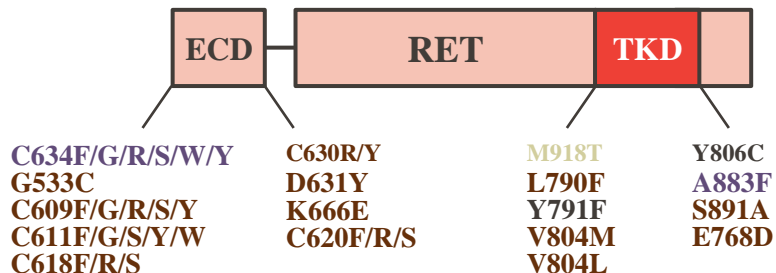
Common mutation: **RET M918T**

# A number of oncogenic RET fusions and activating point mutations have been identified to date

## RET fusions<sup>1</sup>



## Activating RET point mutations<sup>1</sup>



ATA category for risk of aggressive MTC<sup>4</sup>

Unknown Moderate High Highest

Most common RET fusion partners in:

- NSCLC<sup>2</sup>: KIF5B, CCDC6, NCOA4
- PTC<sup>3</sup>: CCDC6, NCOA4

Most common RET mutations in:

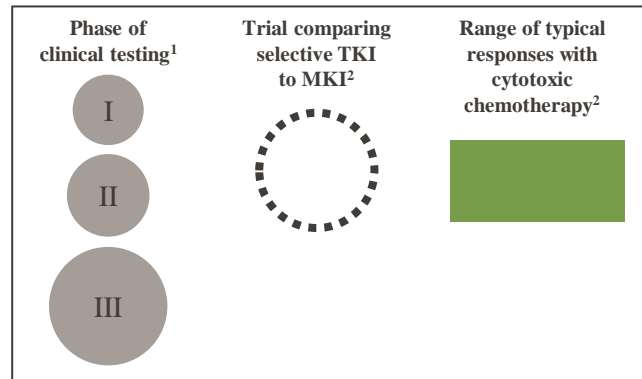
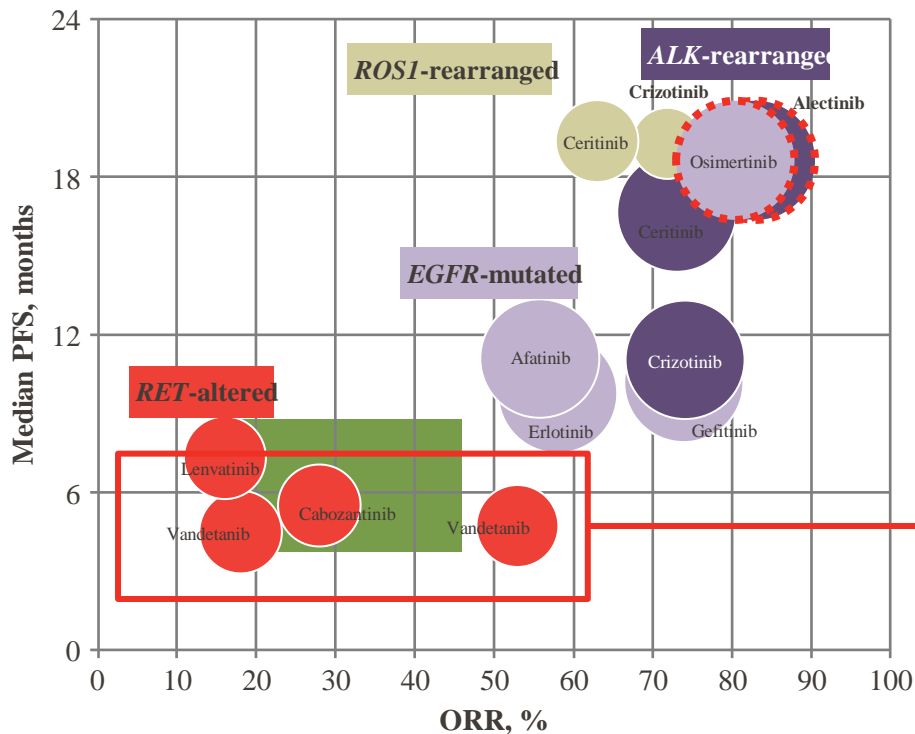
- MTC<sup>5</sup>: C634F/G/R/S/W/Y, M918T, V804M, L790F, Y791F

ATA, American Thyroid Association; CCDC, coiled-coil domain containing; KIF, kinesin family member; NCOA, nuclear receptor coactivator.

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# Patients with *RET*-altered NSCLC have not yet achieved the promise of precision therapy



**ORR and PFS achieved with MKIs in *RET*-altered NSCLC are:**

- Notably lower than those achieved in *ALK*-, *ROS1*-, and *EGFR*-mutated NSCLC<sup>1</sup>
- Similar to those achieved with cytotoxic chemotherapy<sup>2</sup>

PFS, progression-free survival; ORR, overall response rate; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor.

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# Drug-related toxicity due to non-selectivity greatly limits the efficacy of MKIs in *RET*-altered cancers

Many MKIs have greater potency on several off-target kinases across the kinome, such as VEGFR2<sup>1</sup>

Potential toxicities due to MKI off-target activity include<sup>1,2</sup>:

- Hypertension
- Hand-foot syndrome
- Proteinuria
- Hypopigmentation
- QT prolongation
- Thrombosis
- Hemorrhage

**Results from several clinical studies of MKIs in patients with NSCLC and thyroid cancers demonstrate high rates of dose reduction and drug discontinuation<sup>1</sup>**

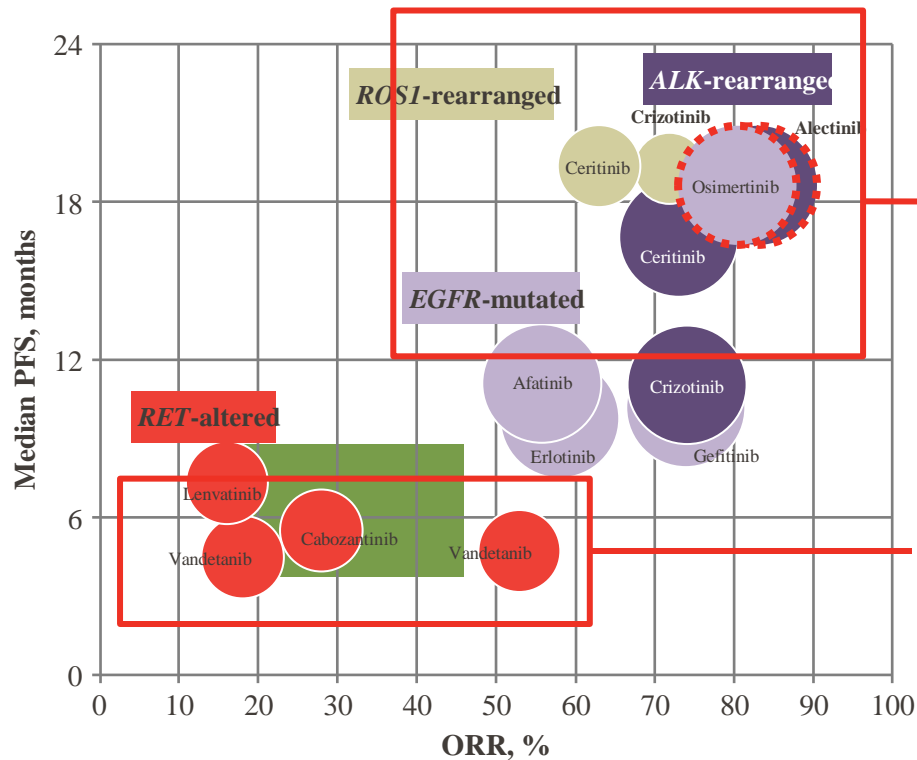
Cancer type <sup>1</sup>	MKI <sup>1</sup>	Dose reduction rate <sup>1</sup>	Discontinuation rate <sup>1</sup>
NSCLC	Cabozantinib, vandetanib, lenvatinib, sorafenib	23% to 73%	8% to 33%
Thyroid cancer	Cabozantinib, vandetanib, lenvatinib, sorafenib, sunitinib, dovitinib, motesanib	19% to 79%	6% to 24%



# In search of Super Heroes for RET inhibition !



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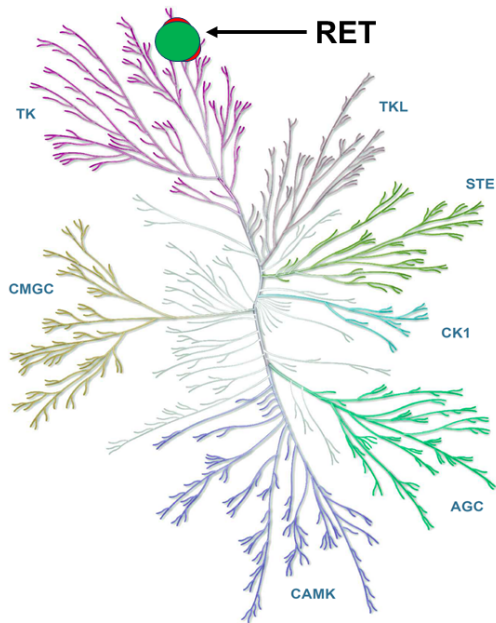


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# LOXO-292 ( SELPERCATINIB) is a potent and selective RET inhibitor

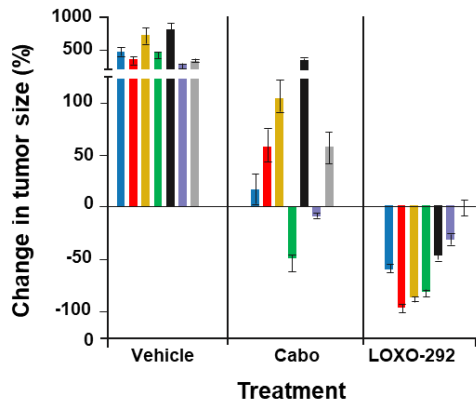
## Kinome selectivity

Highly selective for RET



## Xenograft models

Multiple fusions/mutations/histologies

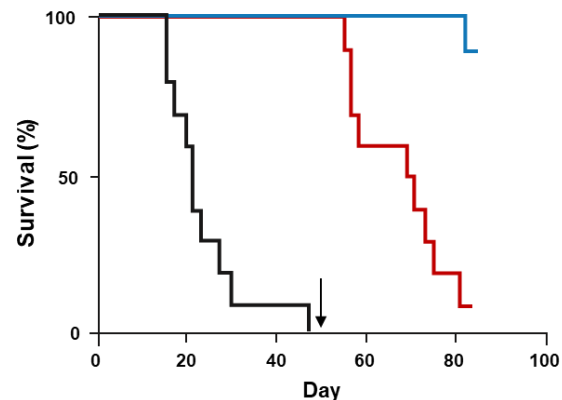


### Tumor models

- KIF5B-RET (PDX-NSCLC)
- CCDC6-RET (PDX-CRCA)
- CCDC6-RET-V804M (PDX-CRCA)
- KIF5B-RET (NIH-3T3)
- KIF5B-RET-V804M (NIH-3T3)
- RET C634W (TT cell line-MTC)
- CCDC6-RET (LC-2/ad cell line-NSCLC)

## Orthotopic brain model

CCDC6-RET orthotopic brain PDX



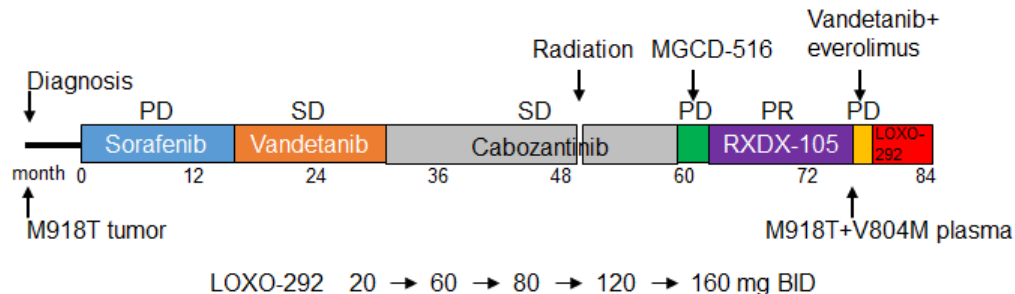
### Treatments

- Vehicle
- LOXO-292 30 mg/kg BID → Day 52 → 3 mg/kg BID
- Ponatinib 20 mg/kg QD → Day 52 → 2 mg/kg QD

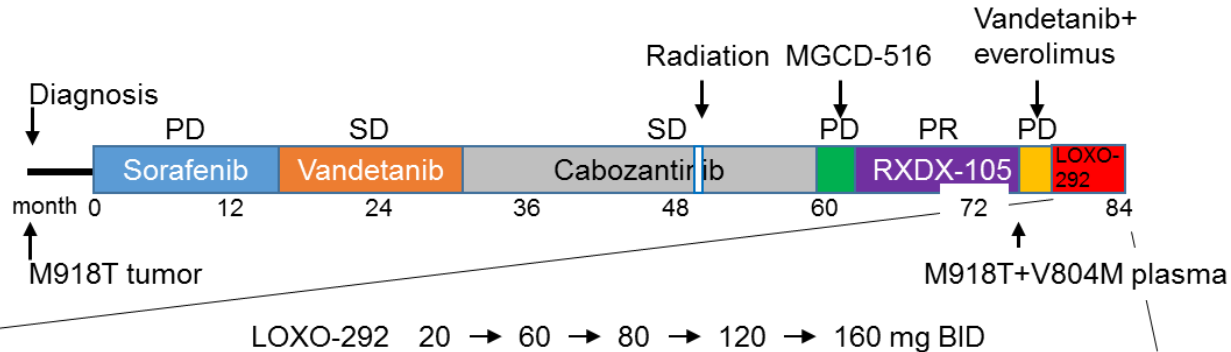
Subbiah V et al. *Ann Oncol* 2018; Cabo = cabozantinib; PDX = patient-derived xenograft; NSCLC = non-small cell lung cancer; CRC = colorectal cancer; MTC = medullary thyroid cancer; BID = twice-daily; QD = once-daily

# Sporadic RET M918T/V804M-mutant response to LOXO-292

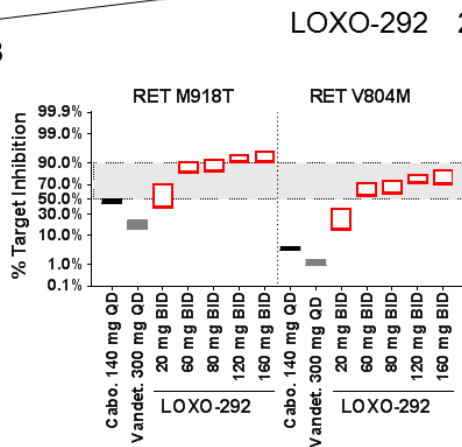
- 49-year old man with advanced MTC with RET M918T mutation
- Progressive disease after six MKI treatments over 7 years
- Prior to treatment: poor performance status, 30 BMs per day, pain from liver enlargement. Acquire resistance mutation: V804M “gatekeeper”
- Treated with LOXO-292 by “*single patient*”, *compassionate use protocol*
- Resolution of diarrhea and pain in first week
- Calcitonin (360,000 pg/mL) and CEA (5700 ng/mL) became normal
- Reduction in tumor size by -54% (“confirmed PR”)
- Remains on treatment for 24 months
- All side effects grade 1 and have not interrupted dosing of LOXO-292



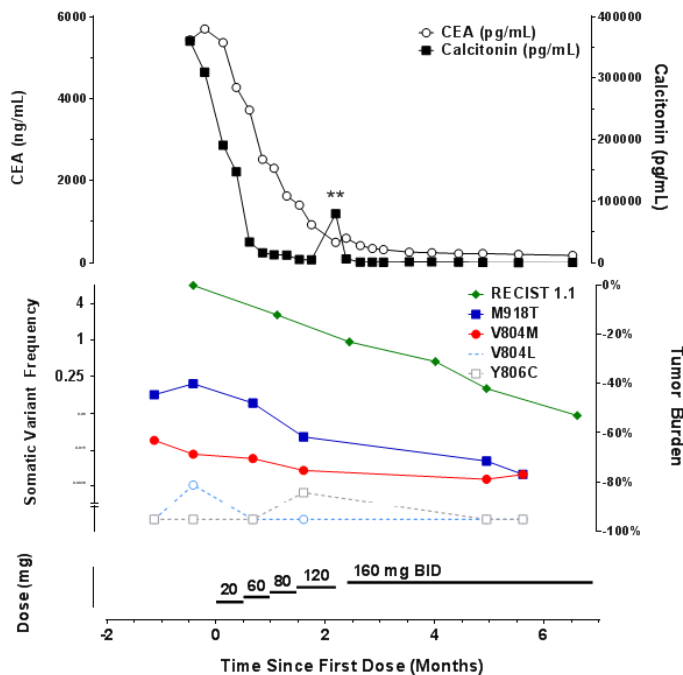
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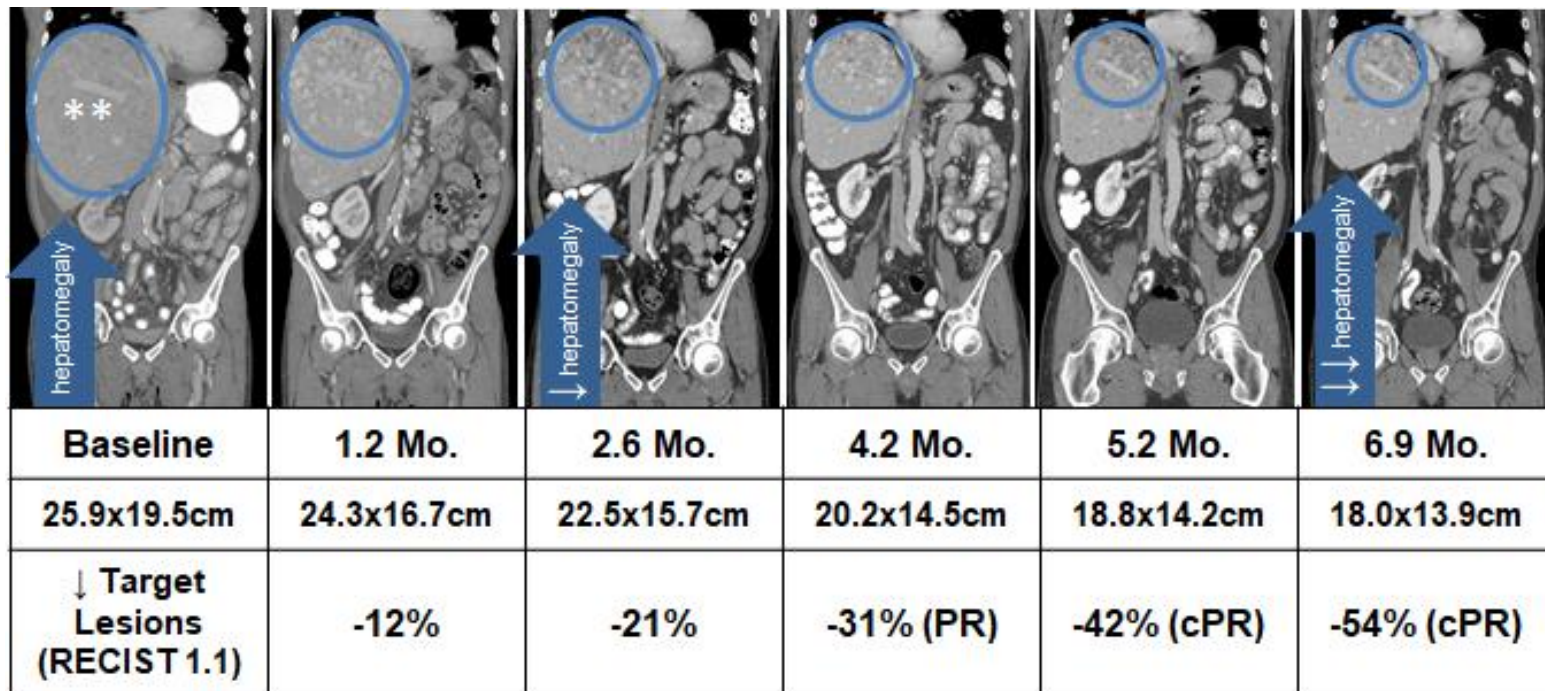


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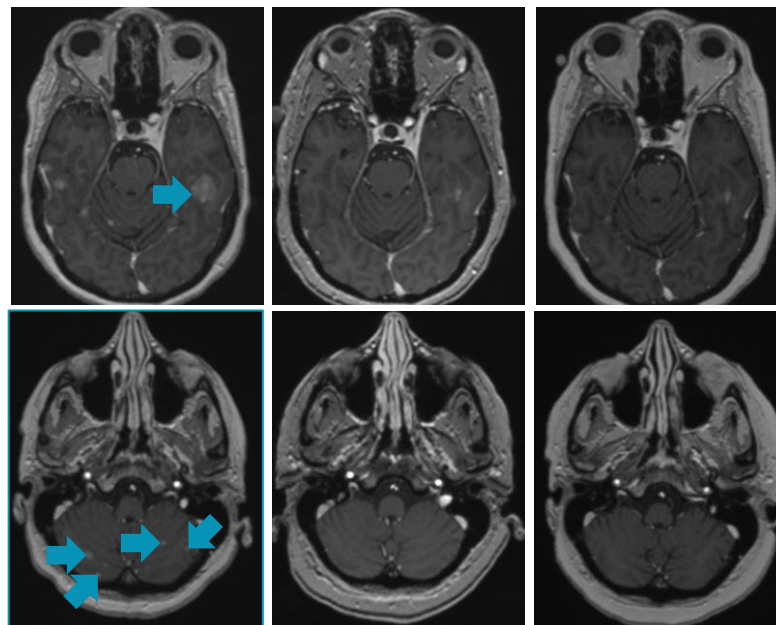
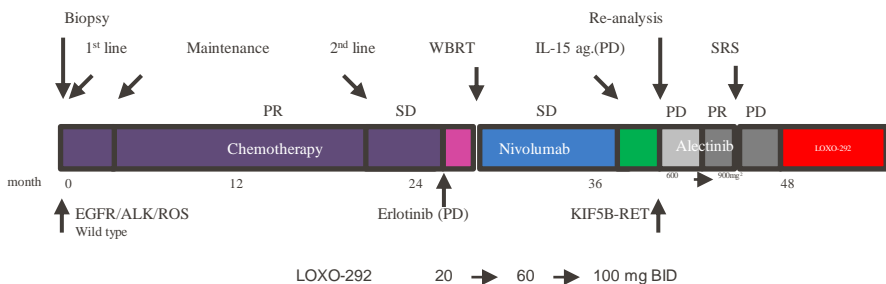
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# *KIF5B-RET* fusion-positive NSCLC response to LOXO-292

40 year-old woman with *KIF5B-RET*+ NSCLC

- Chemotherapy, immunotherapy, WBRT, alectinib → progressive symptomatic brain metastases
- Rapid clinical response to LOXO-292 with ↓ gait imbalance resolution of confusion and gait imbalance
- Confirmed RECIST response (best -67% extracranially and no residual ) and shrinkage of multiple brain metastases
- No AEs attributed to LOXO-292
- Patient discontinued treatment against medical advice



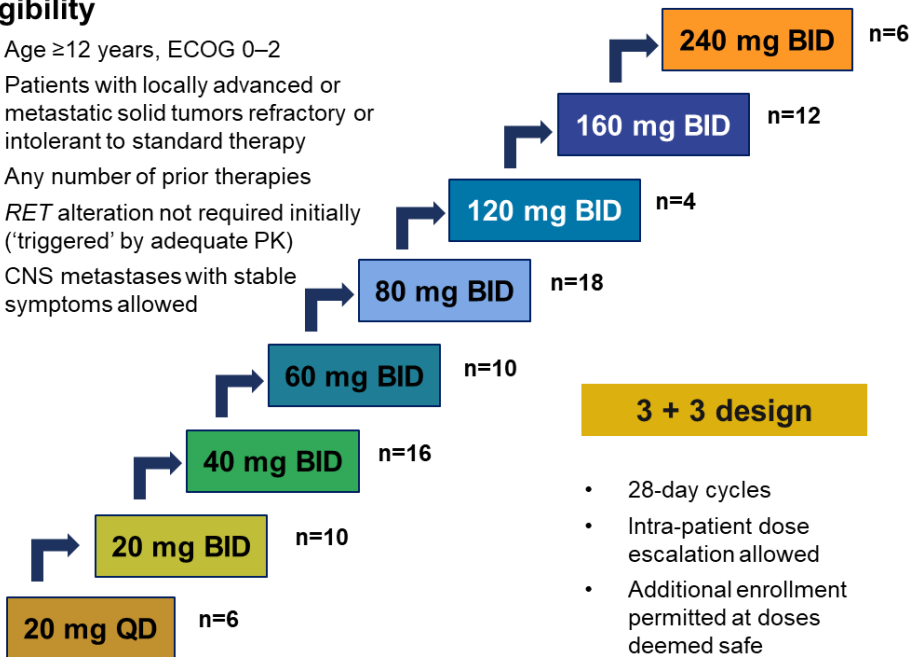
Baseline	2 Mo.	5 Mo.
↓ Target Lesions (RANO-BM)	-89% (PR)	-100% (cPR)

# LIBRETTO-001: phase I dose escalation and pharmacokinetics

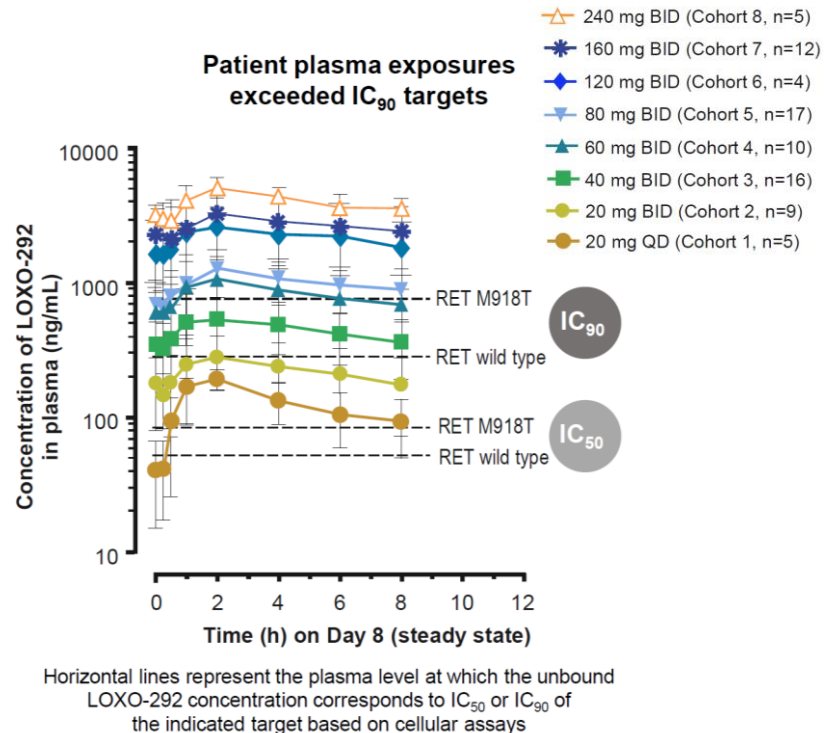
- 82 patients enrolled across 8 dose levels

## Eligibility

- Age  $\geq 12$  years, ECOG 0–2
- Patients with locally advanced or metastatic solid tumors refractory or intolerant to standard therapy
- Any number of prior therapies
- RET* alteration not required initially ('triggered' by adequate PK)
- CNS metastases with stable symptoms allowed



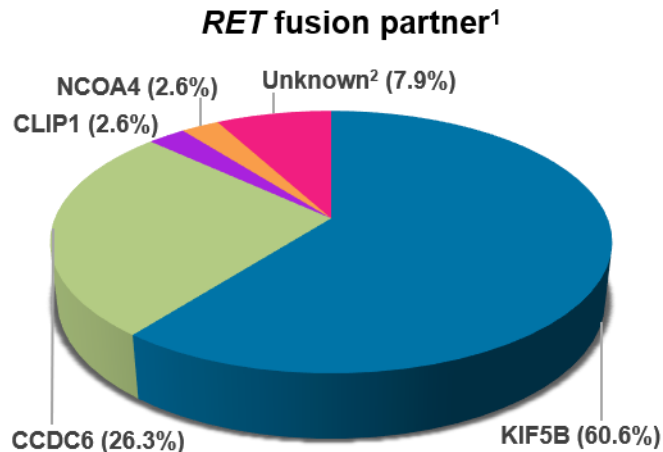
- 28-day cycles
- Intra-patient dose escalation allowed
- Additional enrollment permitted at doses deemed safe





**RET-altered cancers**

Tumor type, n (%)	Total (n=82)
<b>RET fusion-positive NSCLC</b>	<b>38 (46%)</b>
RET fusion-positive thyroid cancer	9 (11%)
RET fusion-positive pancreatic cancer	2 (2%)
RET-mutant MTC	29 (35%)
No known activating RET alteration	4 (5%)

**RET-fusion positive NSCLC**

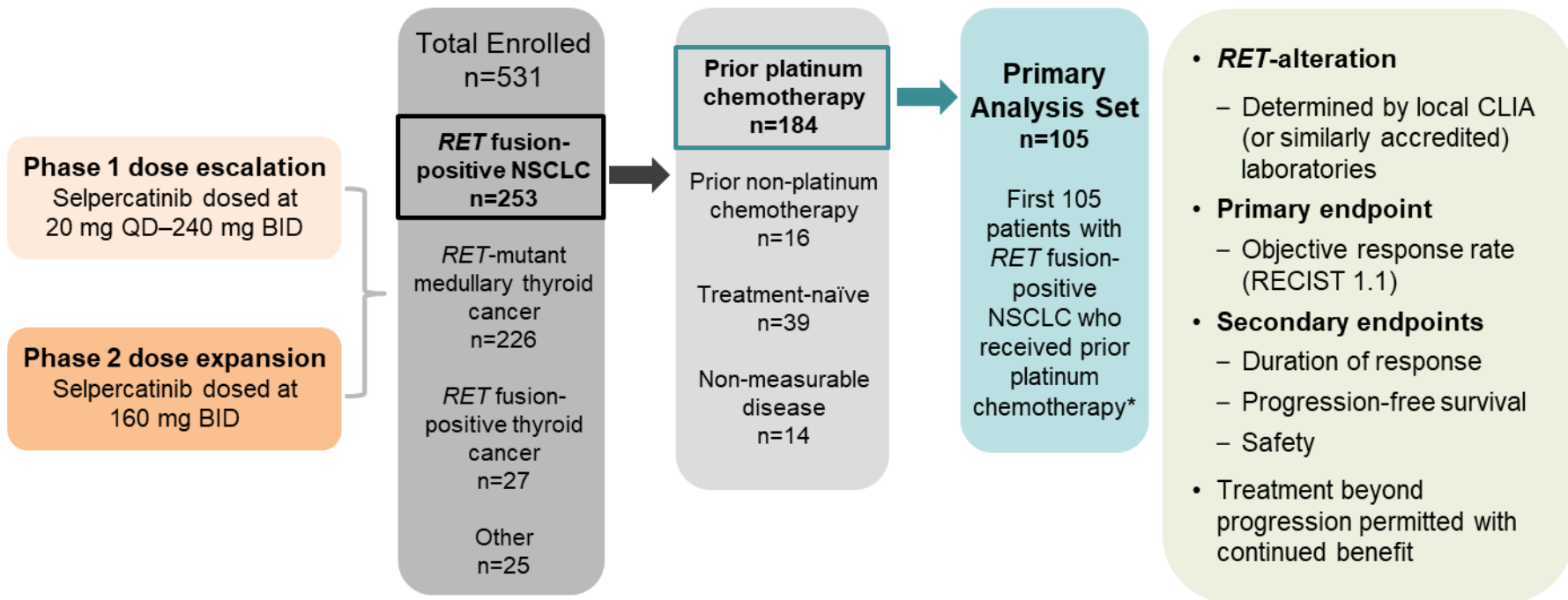
Characteristic	Total (n=38)
Female / Male, n (%)	22 (58) / 16 (42)
Median age (range), years	62.5 (36–80)
ECOG performance status, n (%)	
0	6 (16)
1	32 (84)
Median prior systemic regimens (range)	3 (1–9)
Prior multikinase inhibitor (MKI), n (%) <sup>3</sup>	
0	17 (45)
≥1	21 (55)
Prior chemotherapy or immunotherapy, n (%)	33 (87)
Prior chemotherapy and immunotherapy, n (%)	15 (39)
Brain metastases, n (%)	8 (21)

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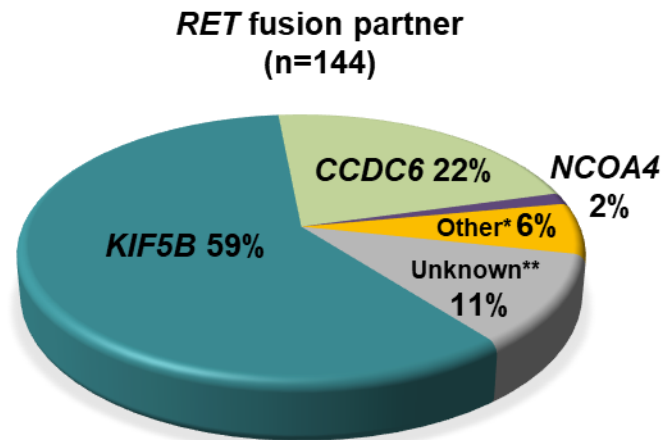
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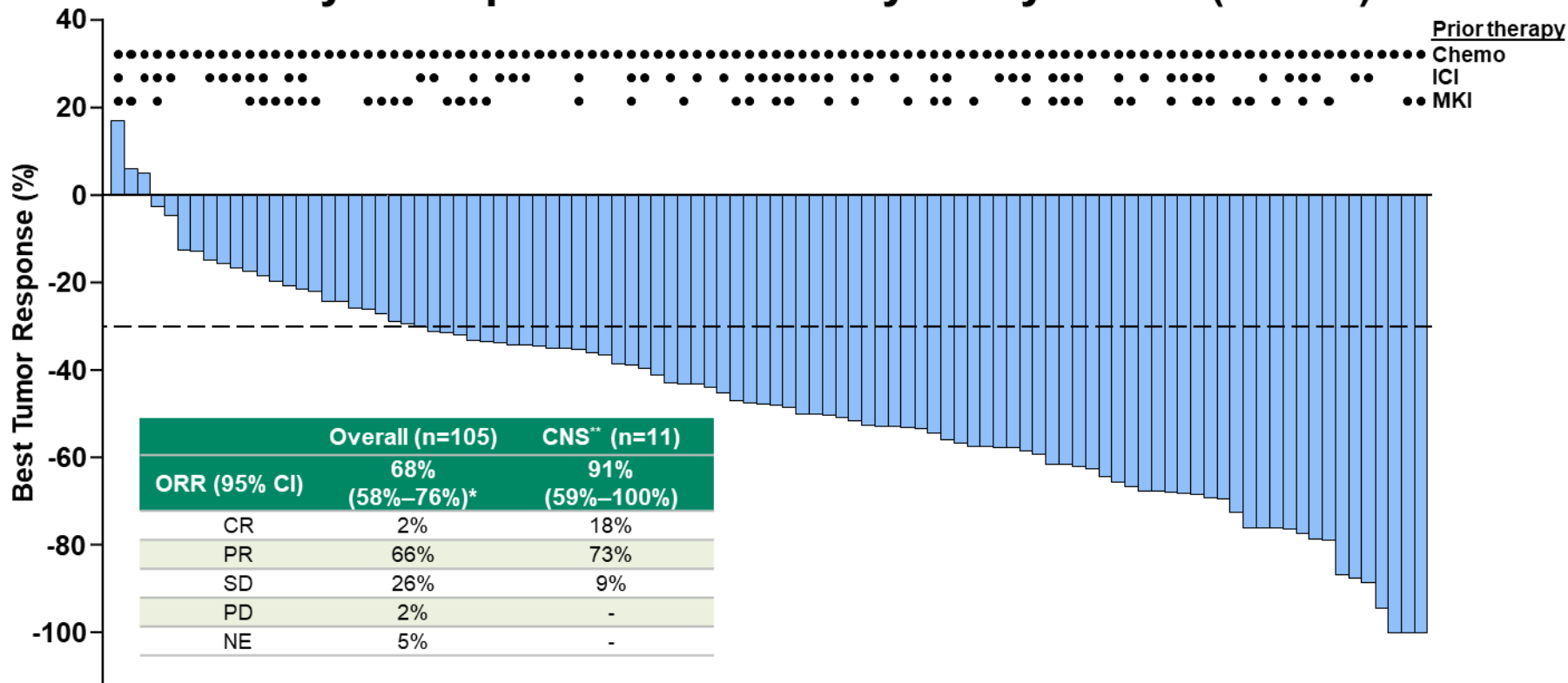
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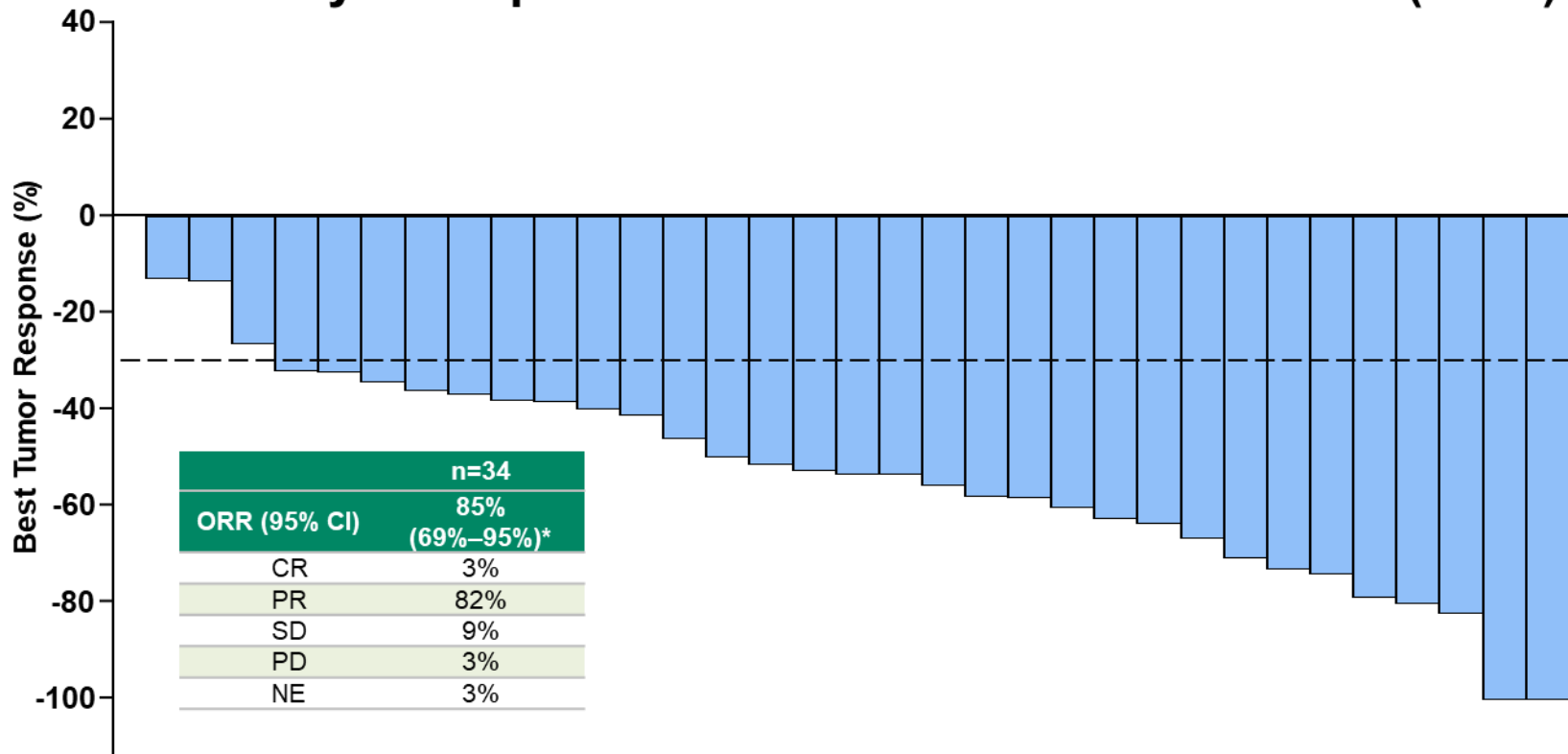
Patient Characteristics	PAS (n=105)	Treatment- naïve (n=39)
Female / Male, n (%)	62 (59) / 43 (41)	22 (56) / 17 (44)
Median age (range), years	61 (23–81)	61 (23–86)
ECOG performance status, n (%)		
0	31 (30)	19 (49)
1	72 (69)	20 (51)
2	2 (2)	0
Median prior systemic regimens (range)	3 (1–15)	0
Prior platinum-based chemotherapy, n (%)	105 (100)	-
Prior PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitor, n (%)	58 (55)	-
Concurrent with platinum-based chemotherapy	9 (9)	-
Sequential to platinum-based chemotherapy	49 (47)	-
Prior multikinase inhibitor (MKI), n (%)	50 (48)	-
1	37 (35)	-
≥2	13 (12)	-
Brain metastases, n (%)‡	37 (35)	7 (18)
Measurable disease	104 (99)	39 (100)



# Efficacy of Selpercatinib: Primary Analysis Set (n=105)

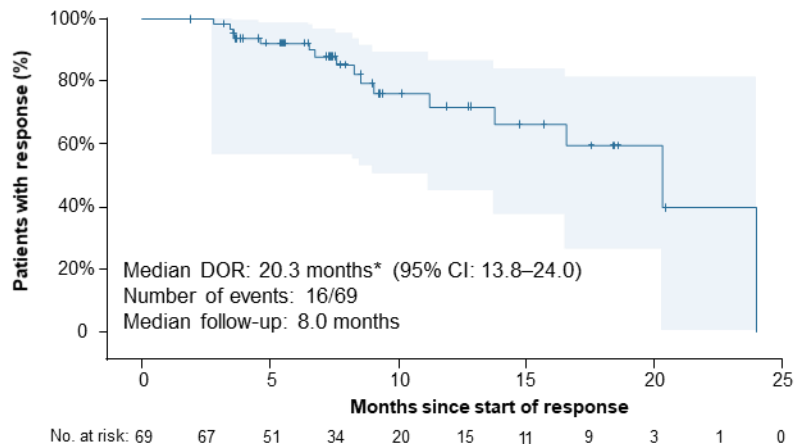


## Efficacy of Selpercatinib: Treatment-naïve Patients (n=34)

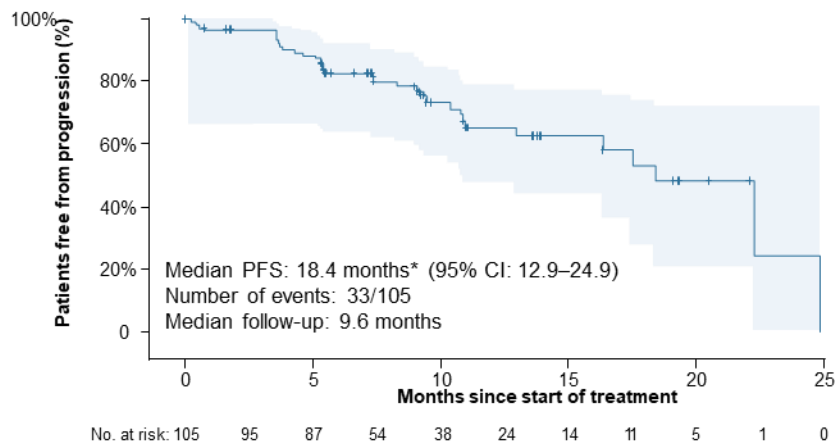


# Durability of Selpercatinib Efficacy: Primary Analysis Set

### Duration of response



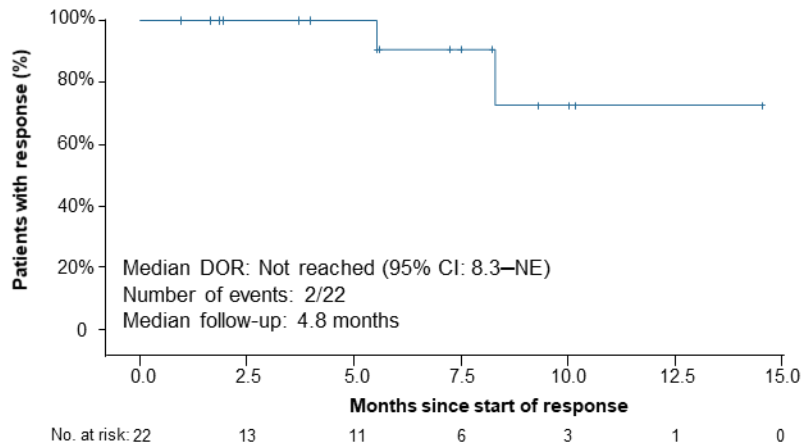
### Progression-free survival



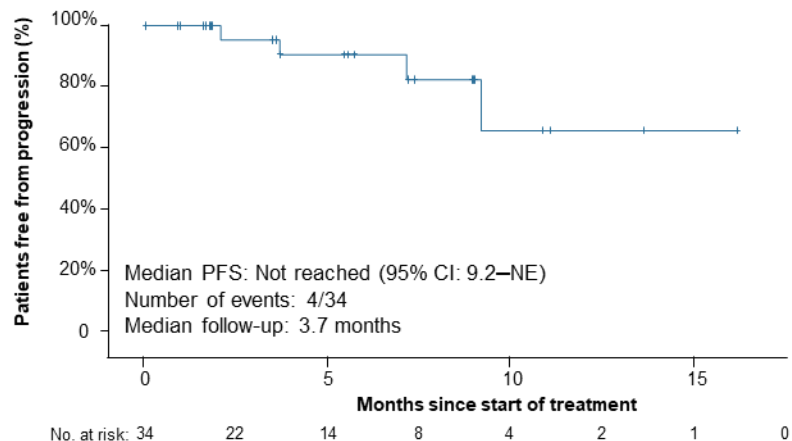
- Of 28 patients in the PAS that progressed, 23 continued treatment post-progression, for 0.2–16.4+ months
- ORR, DOR, PFS similar regardless of prior therapy (e.g. anti-PD-1/PD-L1, MKIs)

# Durability of Selpercatinib Efficacy: Treatment-Naïve

### Duration of response



### Progression-free survival





## Selpercatinib Safety Profile

LIBRETTO-001 Safety Database, n=531								
	Treatment-emergent AEs (≥15% overall)					Treatment-related AEs		
	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total	Grade 3	Grade 4	Total
Dry mouth	29%	4%	–	–	32%	–	–	27%
Diarrhea	21%	8%	2%	–	31%	1%	–	16%
Hypertension	4%	11%	14%	<1%	29%	8%	<1%	18%
Increased AST	17%	5%	6%	1%	28%	4%	1%	22%
Increased ALT	13%	4%	7%	1%	26%	6%	1%	21%
Fatigue	15%	9%	1%	–	24%	<1%	–	14%
Constipation	19%	3%	<1%	–	22%	<1%	–	11%
Headache	15%	4%	1%	–	20%	<1%	–	7%
Nausea	15%	4%	<1%	–	19%	<1%	–	8%
Peripheral edema	16%	4%	<1%	–	19%	–	–	10%
Increased creatinine	14%	4%	–	<1%	18%	–	–	10%

9 patients (1.7%) discontinued due to treatment-related AEs

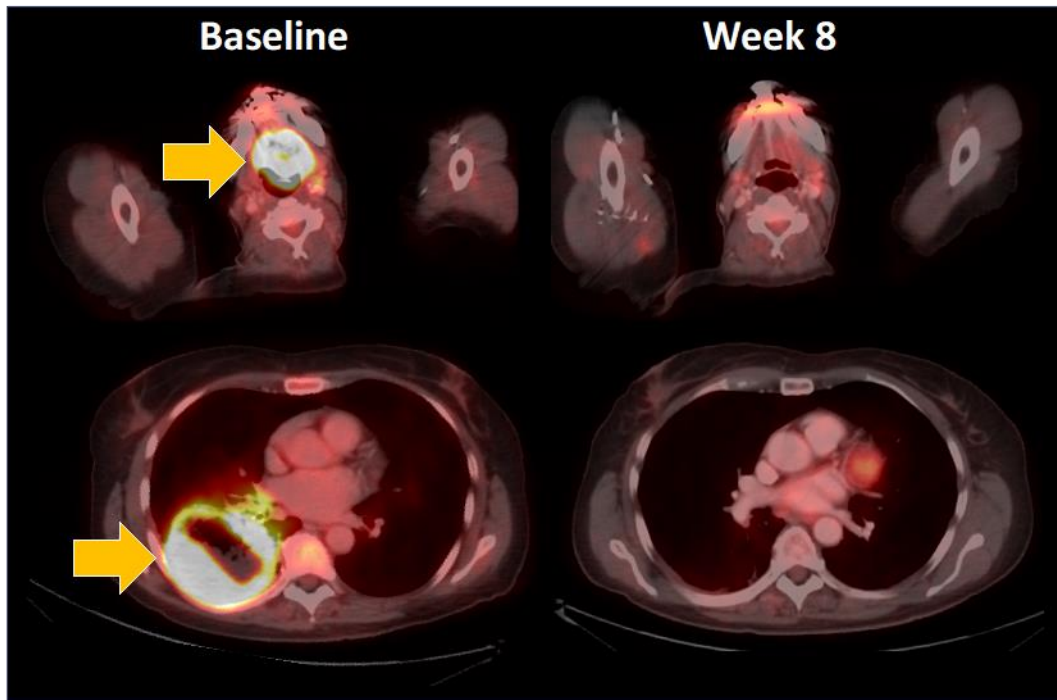
## Selpercatinib Response in the Treatment-Naïve Setting

65-year-old woman with *KIF5B-RET* fusion-positive NSCLC

- Metastatic disease to the base of tongue, lungs, and bone

Initiated selpercatinib at 160 mg BID as first systemic therapy

- Brisk, durable, and confirmed PR by RECIST 1.1
- Remains on treatment at 10 months

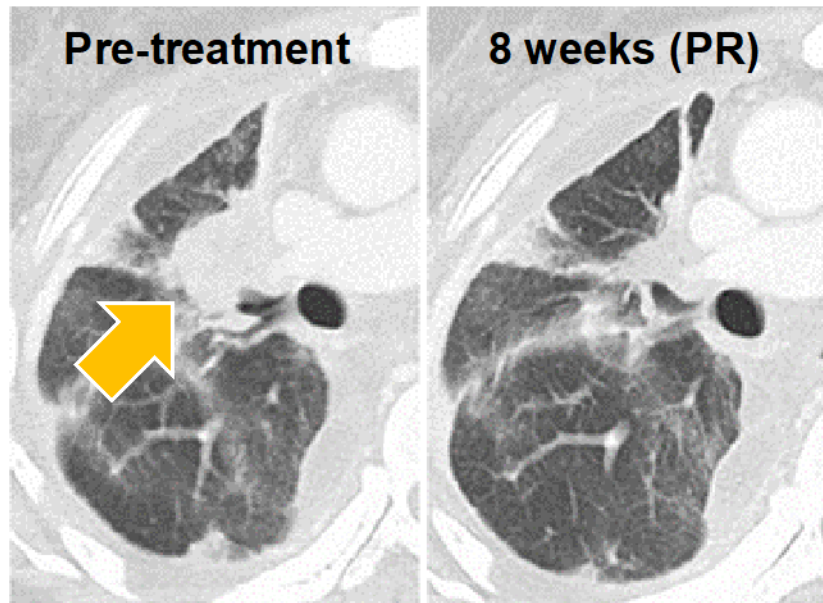
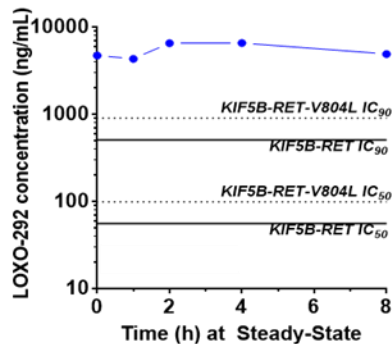


## Selpercatinib Overcomes Acquired Gatekeeper Resistance

42-year-old woman with *KIF5B-RET* fusion-positive NSCLC

- 15 prior systemic therapy regimens
  - chemotherapy, immunotherapy, and investigational kinase inhibitors
- Acquired **RET V804L gatekeeper mutation** post-vandetanib therapy

Initiated selpercatinib at 160 mg BID



Decreased shortness of breath  
 Confirmed PR by RECIST 1.1  
 Remains on treatment at 11 months

- **Selpercatinib demonstrated robust and durable anti-tumor activity in *RET* fusion-positive NSCLC**

- Prior platinum doublet (n=105):

- ORR 68% (95% CI: 58–76), CNS ORR 91% (95% CI: 59–100)
    - Median DOR 20.3 months (95% CI: 13.8–24.0), median PFS 18.4 months (95% CI: 12.9–24.9)
    - Heavily pre-treated population (median of 3 prior systemic therapies)

- Treatment-naïve (n=34): ORR 85% (95% CI 69–95), median DOR, PFS not reached

- **Favorable safety profile**

- Safety database (n= 531):

- Most AEs low grade and unrelated to selpercatinib
    - Only 1.7% discontinued therapy for treatment-related AEs

- Outcomes consistent with other potent, selective, and CNS-active targeted therapies for genomically-driven lung cancers (e.g. *EGFR/ALK*)
- **New Drug Application (NDA) submission planned by the end of 2019**
- **Randomized, global phase 3 trial:** selpercatinib vs. platinum-pemetrexed ± pembrolizumab in treatment-naïve *RET* fusion-positive NSCLC (in the coming months)

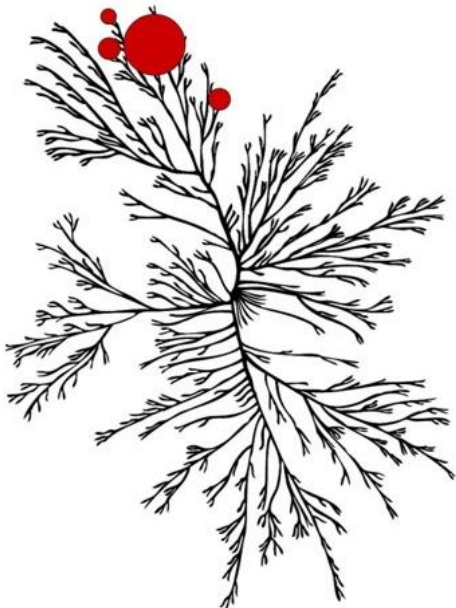
**LOXO-292 has US FDA Breakthrough Therapy Designation for three indications:**

**❖ For the treatment of patients with metastatic RET-fusion positive non-small cell lung cancer who require systemic therapy, and have progressed following platinum-based chemotherapy and an anti-PD-1 or anti-PD-L1 therapy**

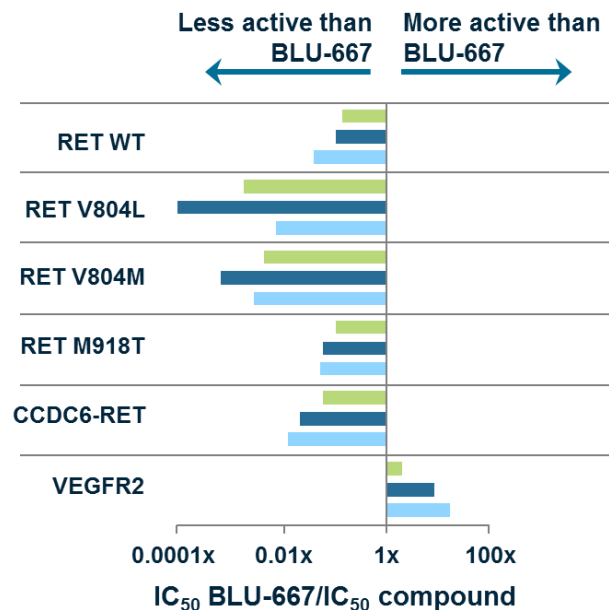
# **BLU-667- HIGHLY POTENT SELECTIVE RET INHIBITOR**

# BLU-667 - designed to treat *RET*-altered cancers

High kinome selectivity for *RET*<sup>1,2</sup>



More potent and selective than MKIs<sup>1,2</sup>

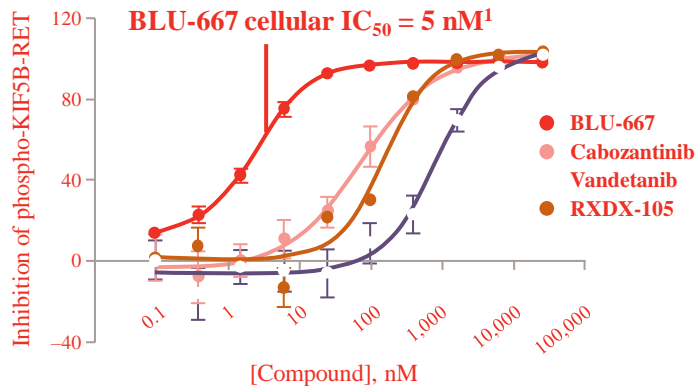


IC<sub>50</sub>, half maximal inhibitory concentration; WT, wild-type.

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# BLU-667 potentially inhibits the most common oncogenic *RET* alterations found in diverse tumor types



- BLU-667 inhibits autophosphorylation of KIF5B-RET fusion  $\geq 10$  times more potently than cabozantinib, vandetanib, and RXDX-105<sup>1</sup>
- BLU-667 potently inhibits RET M918T activating mutation, CCDC6-RET fusion, and V804L/M gatekeeper resistance mutants while sparing VEGFR2<sup>1</sup>

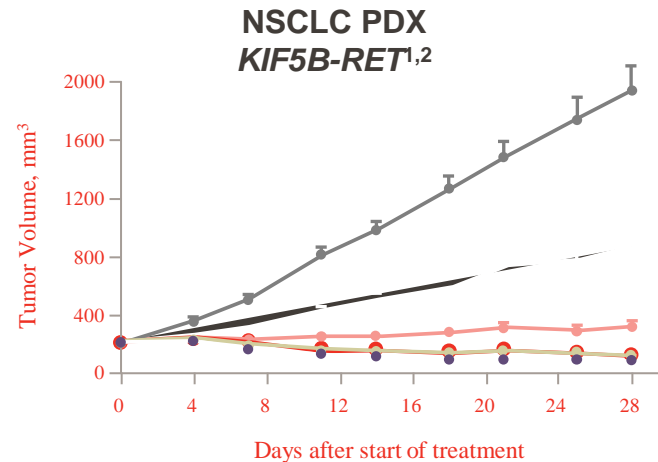
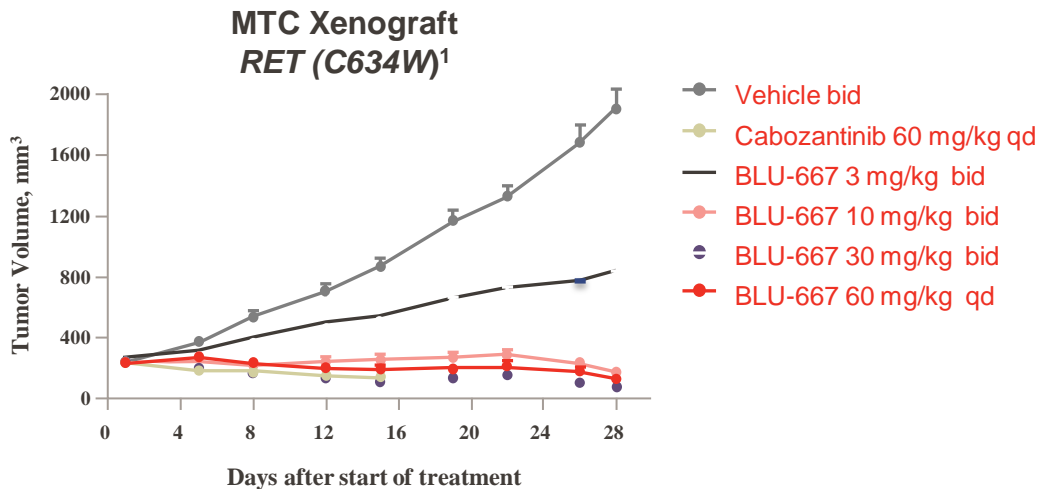
## Biochemical $IC_{50}$ (nM)<sup>2</sup>

Compound	WT RET	RET V804L	RET V804M	RET M918T	CCDC6-RET	VEGFR2
BLU-667	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	35
Cabozantinib	11	45	162	8	34	2
Vandetanib	4	3,597	726	7	20	4
RXDX-105	3	188	102	4	7	17

1. Subbiah V et al. *Cancer Discov.* 2018;8(7):836-849. 2. Data previously presented in April 2018 at AACR Annual Meeting.



# BLU-667 suppresses tumor growth and inhibits RET signaling in *RET*-altered MTC and NSCLC human tumor xenografts



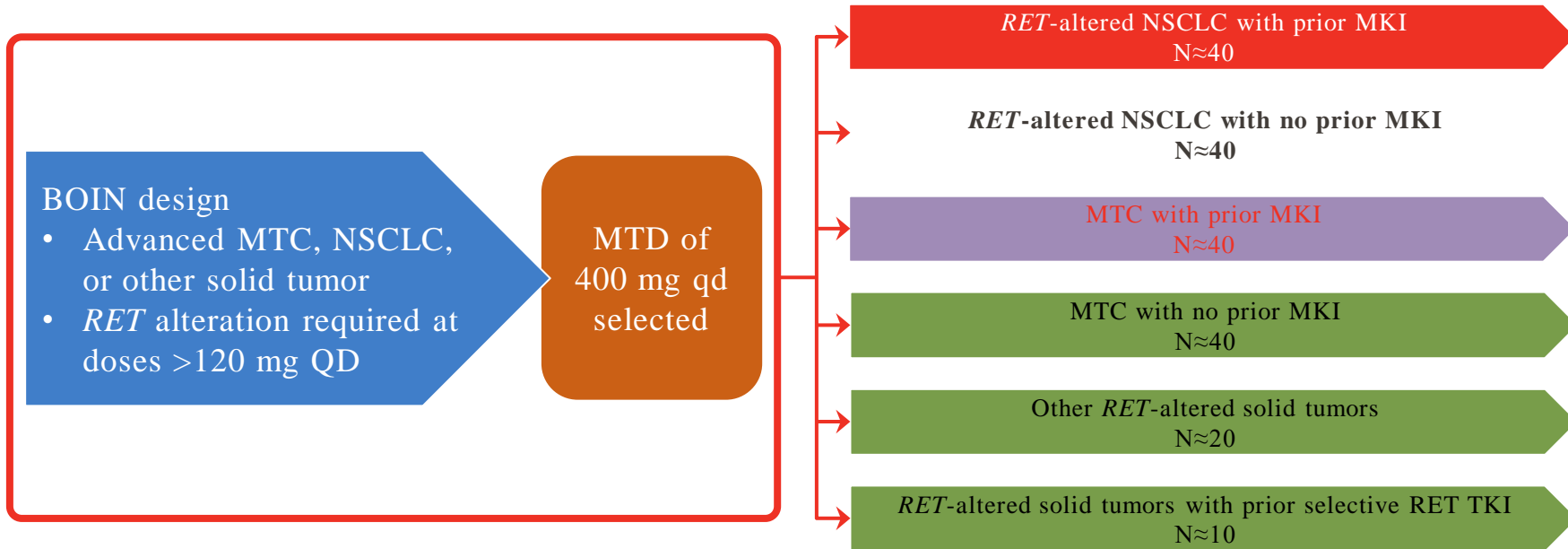
PDX, patient-derived xenograft.

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# ARROW trial: first-in-human study with BLU-667

Part 1: Dose escalation – *complete*<sup>1,2</sup>

Part 2: Dose expansion – *ongoing*<sup>2</sup>

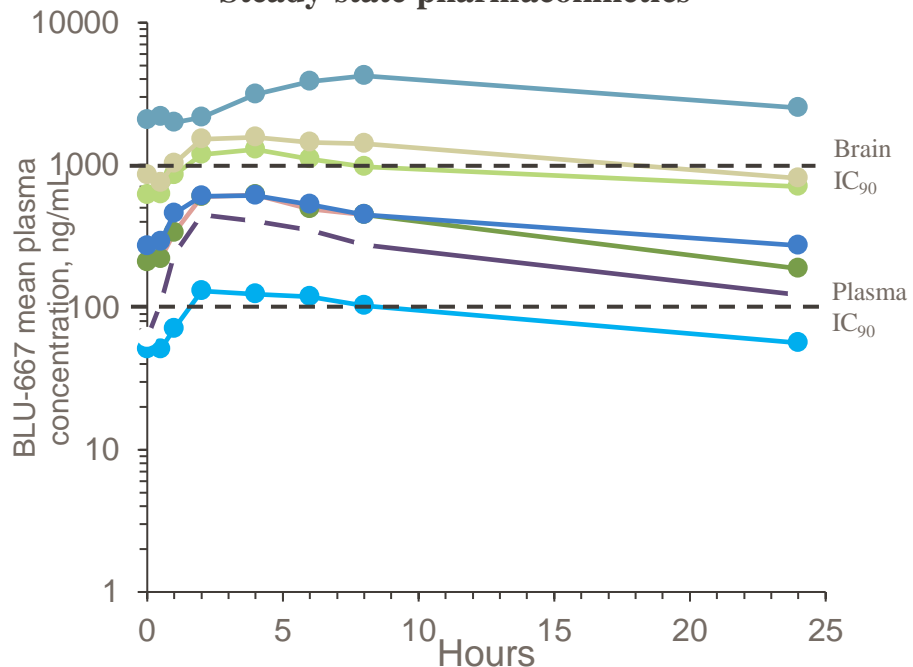


BOIN, Bayesian optimal interval; MTD, maximum tolerated dose.

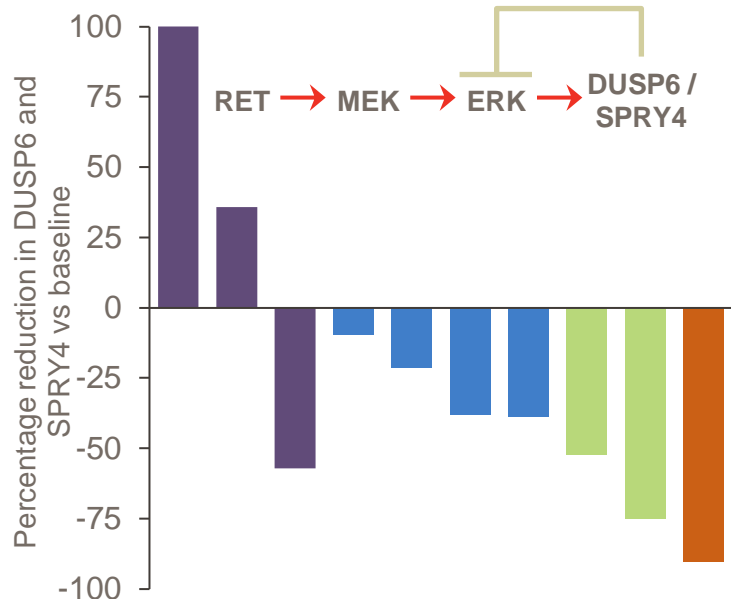
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# Dose-dependent exposure and RET pathway inhibition

### Steady-state pharmacokinetics



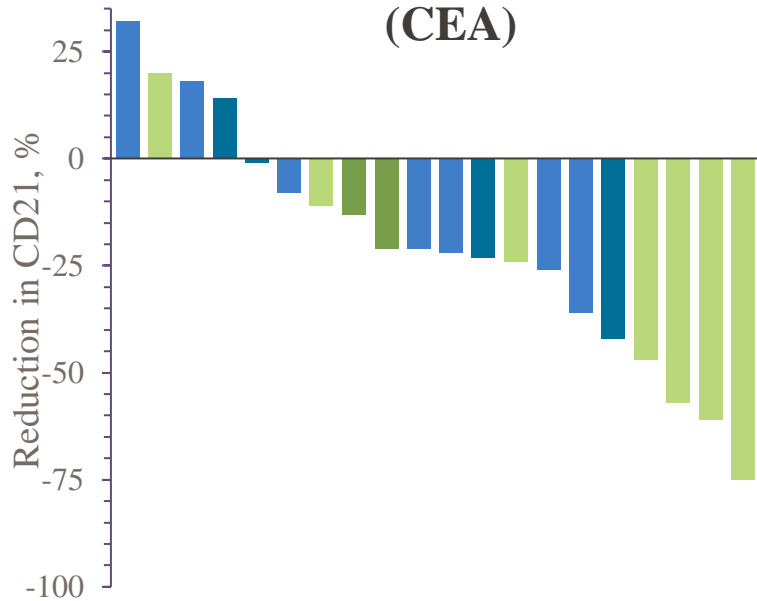
### Tumor pharmacodynamics



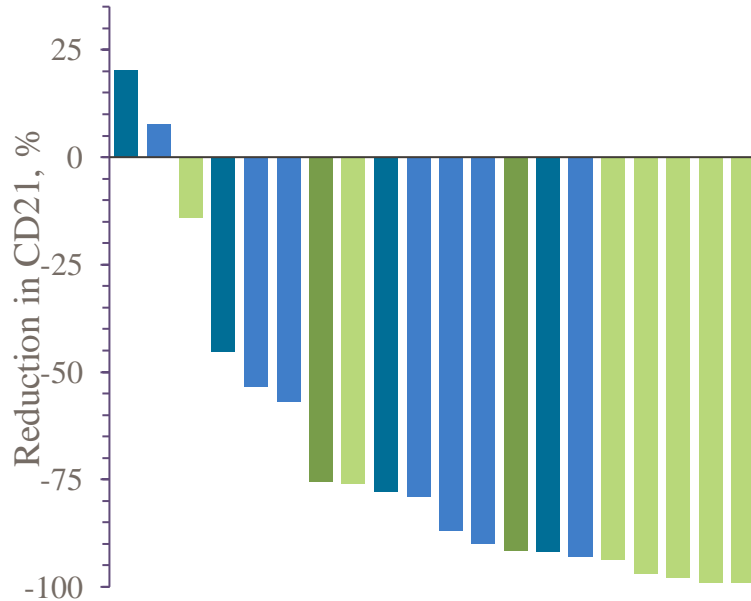
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 ■ 600 mg qd

# Dose-dependent decline in MTC tumor markers

## Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA)

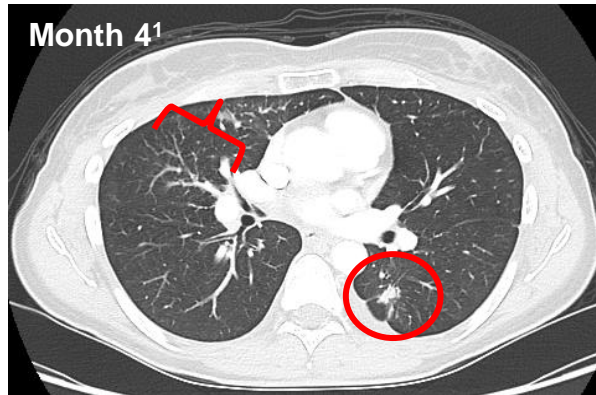
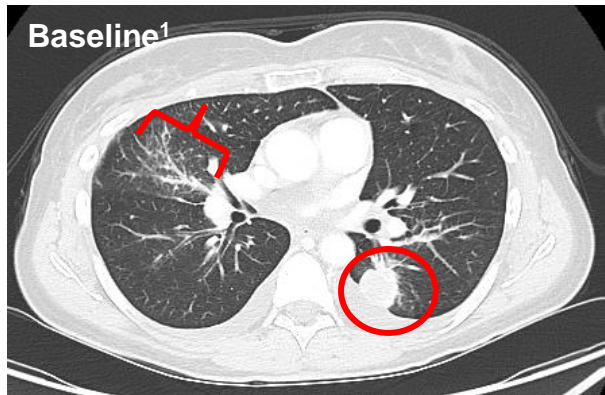


## Calcitonin



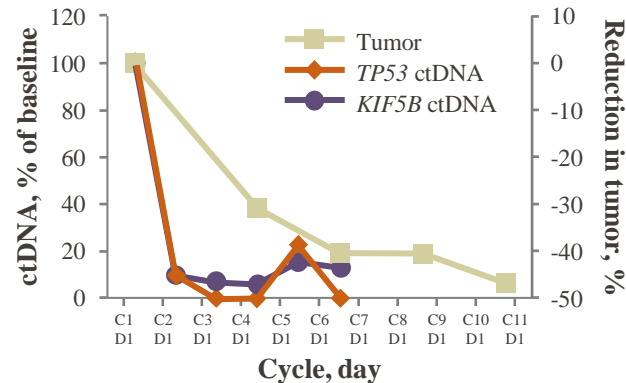
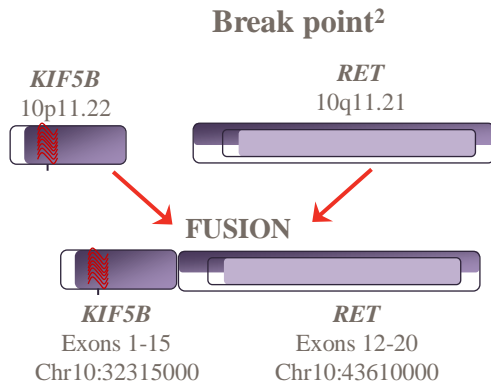
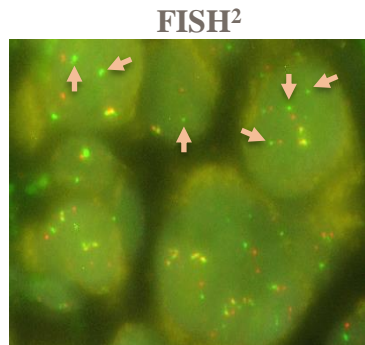
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# BLU-667 demonstrates potent activity against *KIF5B-RET* NSCLC after chemotherapy



**37-year-old female<sup>1,2</sup>**

- Ongoing at 400 mg with confirmed PR



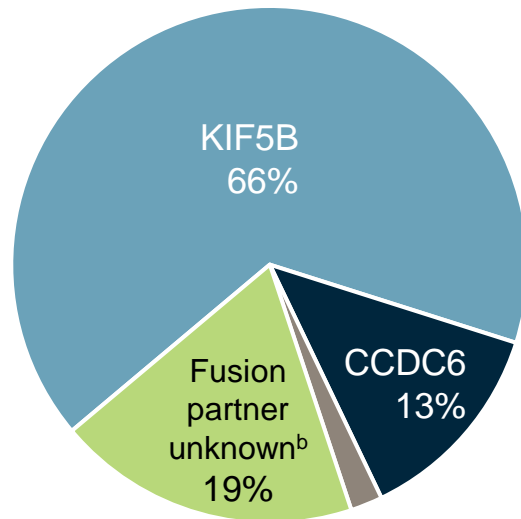
ctDNA, circulating tumor DNA.

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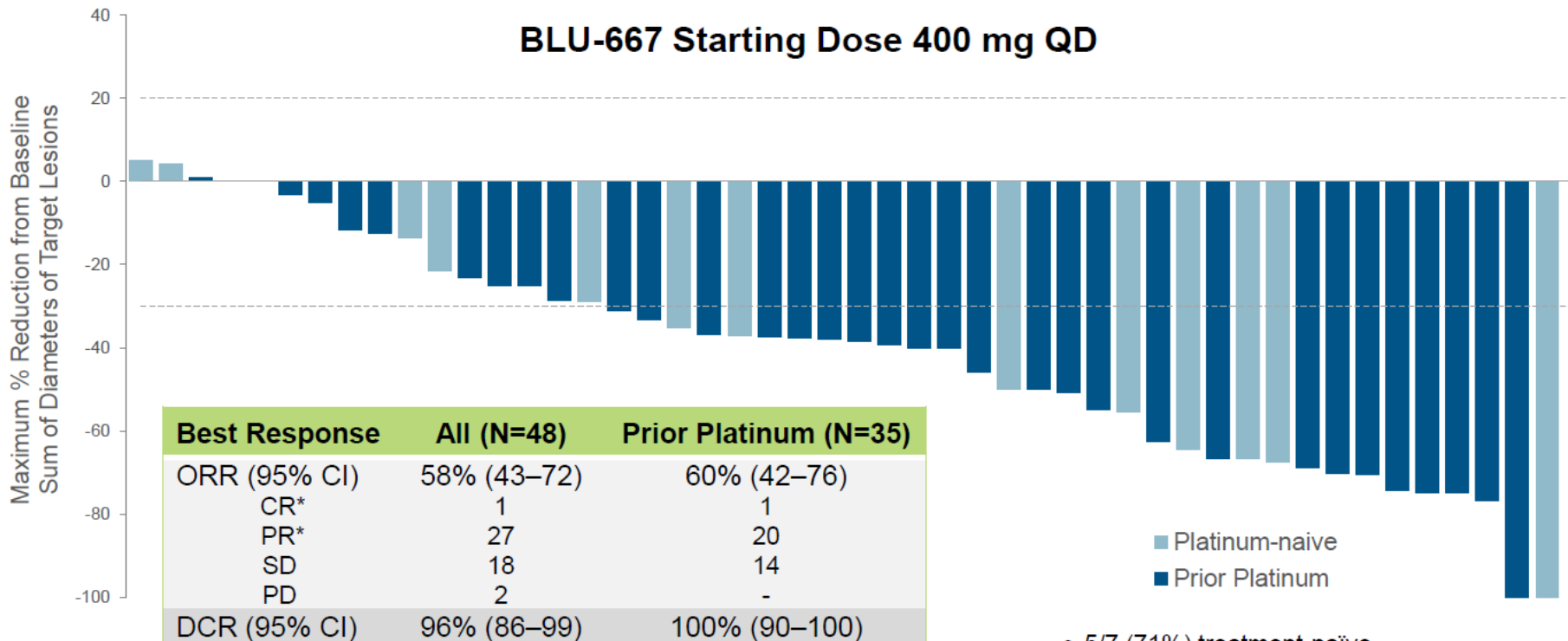
# Baseline Characteristics

## RET Fusion+ Advanced NSCLC Patients

Characteristic	RET-Fusion+ Advanced NSCLC 400 mg QD Starting Dose	
	All (N=120)	Prior Platinum (N=91)
<b>Age (years), median (range)</b>	60 (28-87)	60 (28-85)
<b>Male, n (%)</b>	59 (49)	45 (49)
<b>ECOG PS, n (%)</b>		
0	46 (38)	33 (36)
1-2	74 (62)	58 (64)
<b>Brain metastases, n (%)</b>	48 (40)	36 (40)
<b>Prior systemic regimens, median (range)</b>	2 (0-11)	2 (1-11)
<b>Any prior anticancer treatment</b>	101 (84)	91 (100)
Chemotherapy, n (%)	92 (77)	91(100)
PD-1 or PD-L1 inhibitor, n (%)	47 (39)	41 (45)
Chemotherapy + PD-(L)1 combination, n (%)	41 (34)	41 (45)
Multikinase inhibitor, n (%)	21 (18)	20 (22)
<b>Smoking history<sup>a</sup></b>		
Current/Prior	41 (34)	33 (36)
Never	78 (65)	57 (63)
<b>Histology</b>		
Adenocarcinoma	114 (95)	87 (96)
Other	6 (5)	4 (4)



# BLU-667 Demonstrates Substantial Antitumor Activity in RET Fusion+ Advanced NSCLC

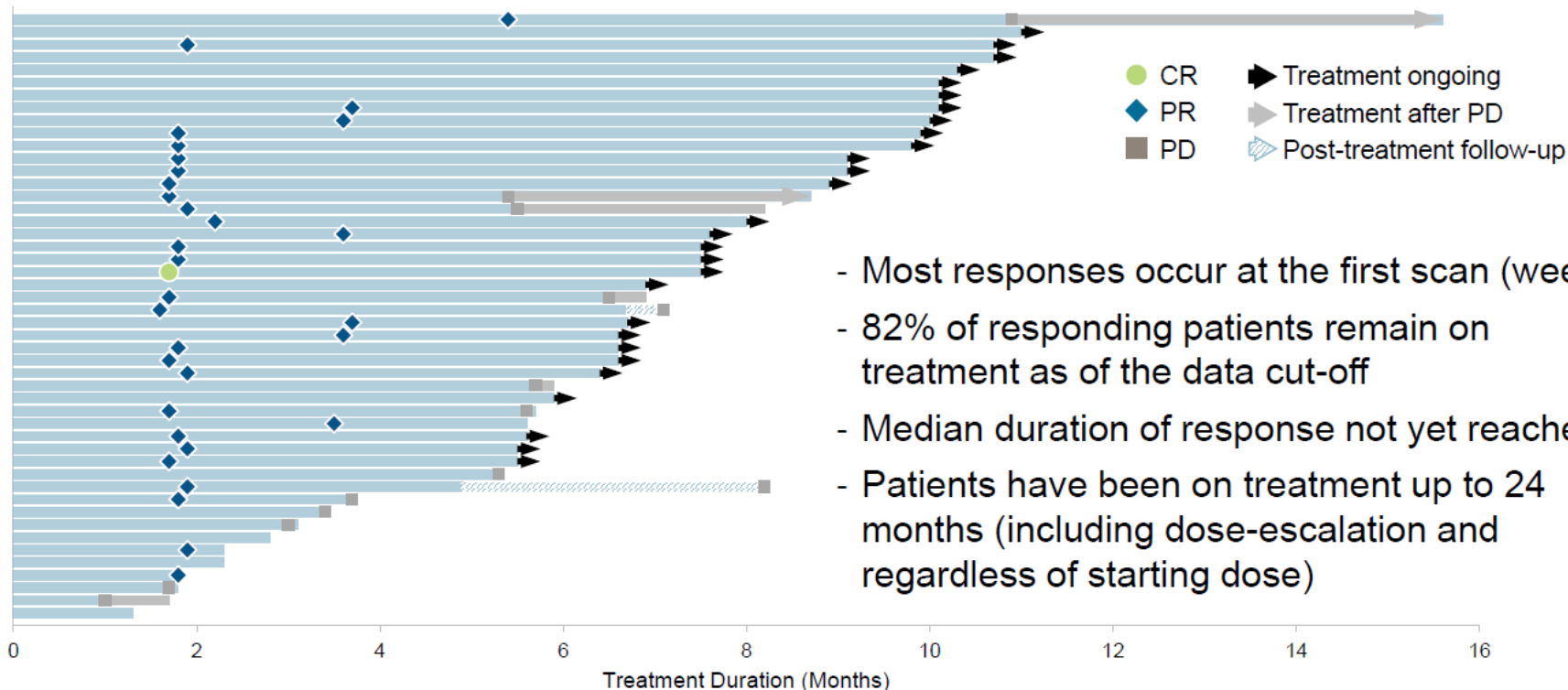


\* All responses are confirmed on two consecutive assessments as per RECIST 1.1.

● 5/7 (71%) treatment-naïve patients had confirmed PR

# BLU-667 Induces Rapid and Durable Responses in RET Fusion+ Advanced NSCLC

## Duration of Treatment and Response: BLU-667 Starting Dose 400 mg QD



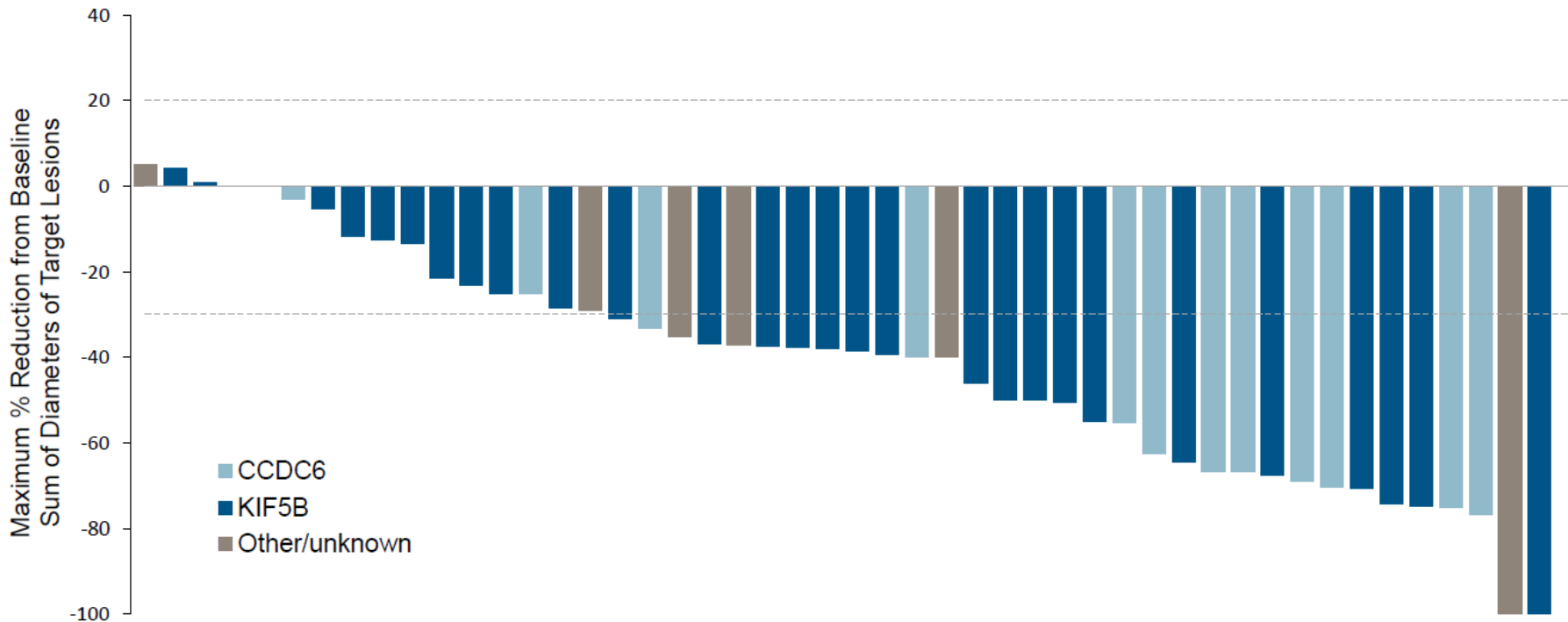
- Most responses occur at the first scan (week 8)
- 82% of responding patients remain on treatment as of the data cut-off
- Median duration of response not yet reached
- Patients have been on treatment up to 24 months (including dose-escalation and regardless of starting dose)





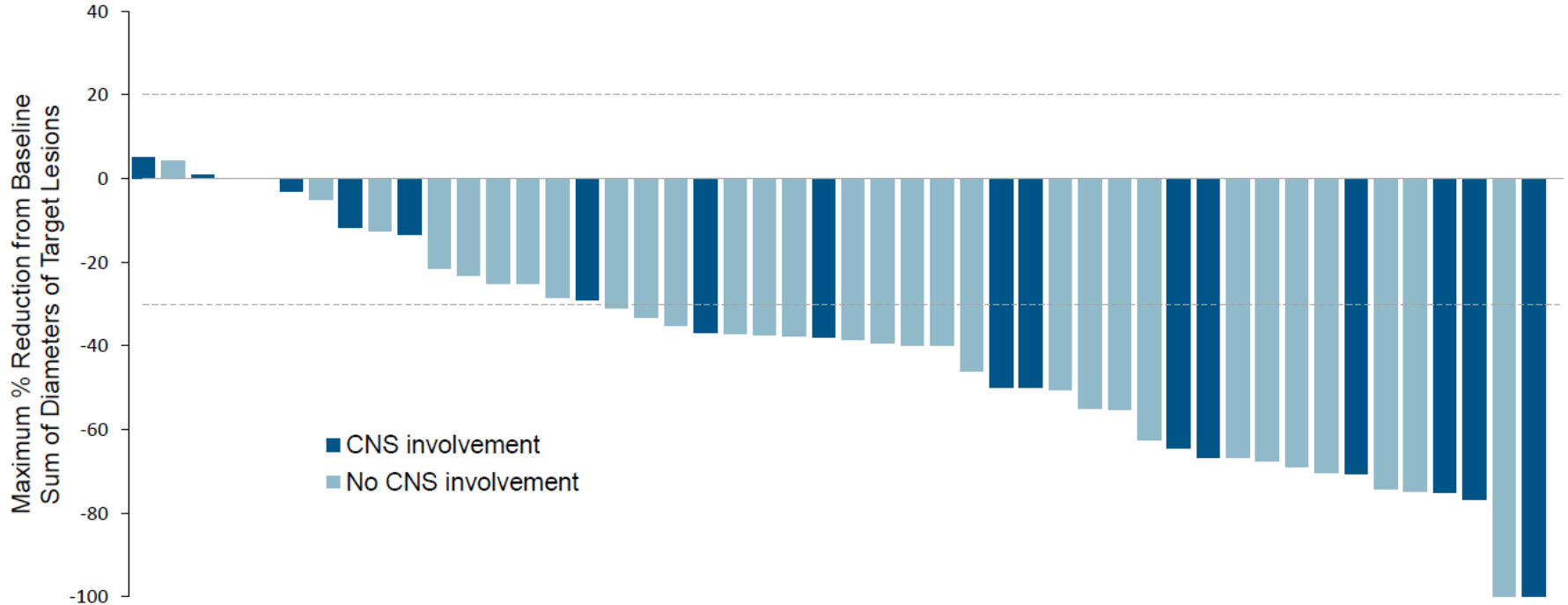
# BLU-667 is Active Across RET Fusion Genotypes

BLU-667 Starting Dose 400 mg QD



# BLU-667 is Active Regardless of CNS Involvement

## BLU-667 Starting Dose 400 mg QD



# BLU-667 is Well Tolerated by Patients with RET Fusion+ Advanced NSCLC

RET Fusion+ Advanced NSCLC 400 mg QD Starting Dose (N=120)				
Adverse Events	Treatment-Emergent (≥15% overall)		Treatment-Related	
	All	Grade ≥3	All	Grade ≥3
Constipation	30%	2%	17%	2%
Neutropenia <sup>a</sup>	26%	13%	26%	13%
AST increased	24%	5%	20%	2%
Fatigue	21%	3%	13%	3%
Hypertension	20%	13%	13%	10%
Anemia	18%	7%	11%	4%
Diarrhea	18%	2%	9%	-
Pyrexia	18%	-	2%	-
ALT increased	17%	3%	13%	2%
Cough	17%	-	3%	-
Dry mouth	17%	-	12%	-

Additional grade ≥3 treatment related AEs (≥2%): increased CPK (3%), leukopenia<sup>b</sup> (3%).

## **BLU- 667 has US FDA Breakthrough Therapy Designation**

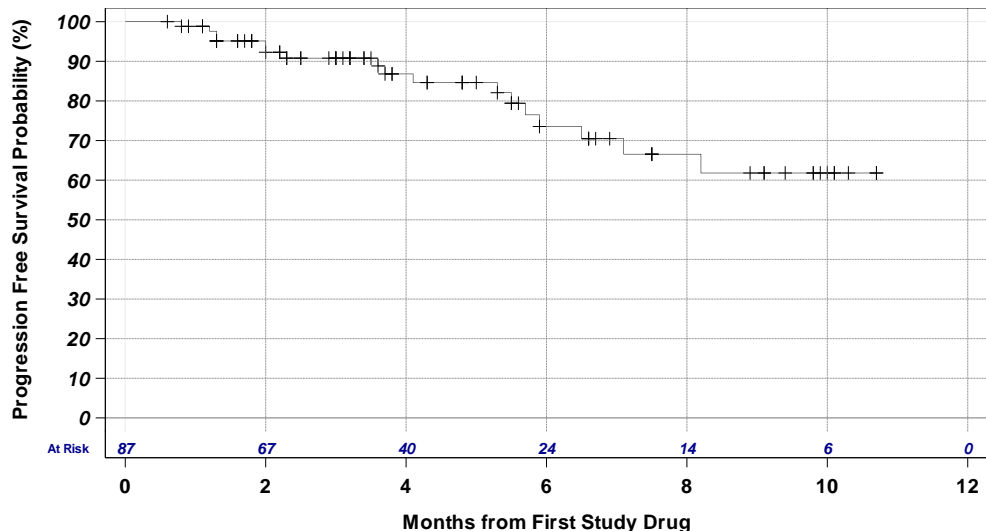
- BLU-667 has FDA breakthrough therapy designation in RET fusion+ NSCLC that progressed following platinum based chemotherapy

# Preliminary PFS for BLU-667 in previously treated NSCLC supports advancing development into first-line setting

## ARROW trial – BLU-667

RET fusion+ NSCLC previously treated with platinum-based chemo<sup>1</sup>

*Median PFS not reached*



Alectinib – ALK+ NSCLC	Median PFS
Previously treated with crizotinib <sup>2</sup>	8.9 months
Previously untreated <sup>3</sup>	25.7 months

Osimertinib – EGFR+ NSCLC	Median PFS
Previously treated with systemic therapy <sup>4</sup>	10.1 months
Previously untreated <sup>4</sup>	18.9 months

<sup>1</sup> BLU-667 PFS analysis. Data cut-off: April 28, 2019. <sup>2</sup> Ou, et al. ASCO presentation, 2015. <sup>3</sup> Alectinib prescribing information.

<sup>4</sup> Osimertinib prescribing information. PFS, progression free survival.

# Selective RET inhibitors

- **LIBRETTO-001** and **ARROW** trials show potent RET pathway inhibition with favorable tolerability
- Broad antitumor activity regardless of *RET* genotype
- High preliminary response rate and durable activity.
- Dose-escalation + expansion data validate selective RET inhibition as a promising precision therapy for *RET*-altered cancers

# Summary-RET inhibitor super heroes have arrived

Discovery, pre-clinical and rapid clinical validation with registrational intent of selective RET inhibitor trials in the RET space.

- Responses observed regardless of treatment history, RET fusion partner, RET mutation or CNS involvement and Gatekeeper V804 M coverage.

**US FDA Breakthrough Designations.**

RET aberrant patients → Enrolled in RET trials.





# Medical Decision-Support

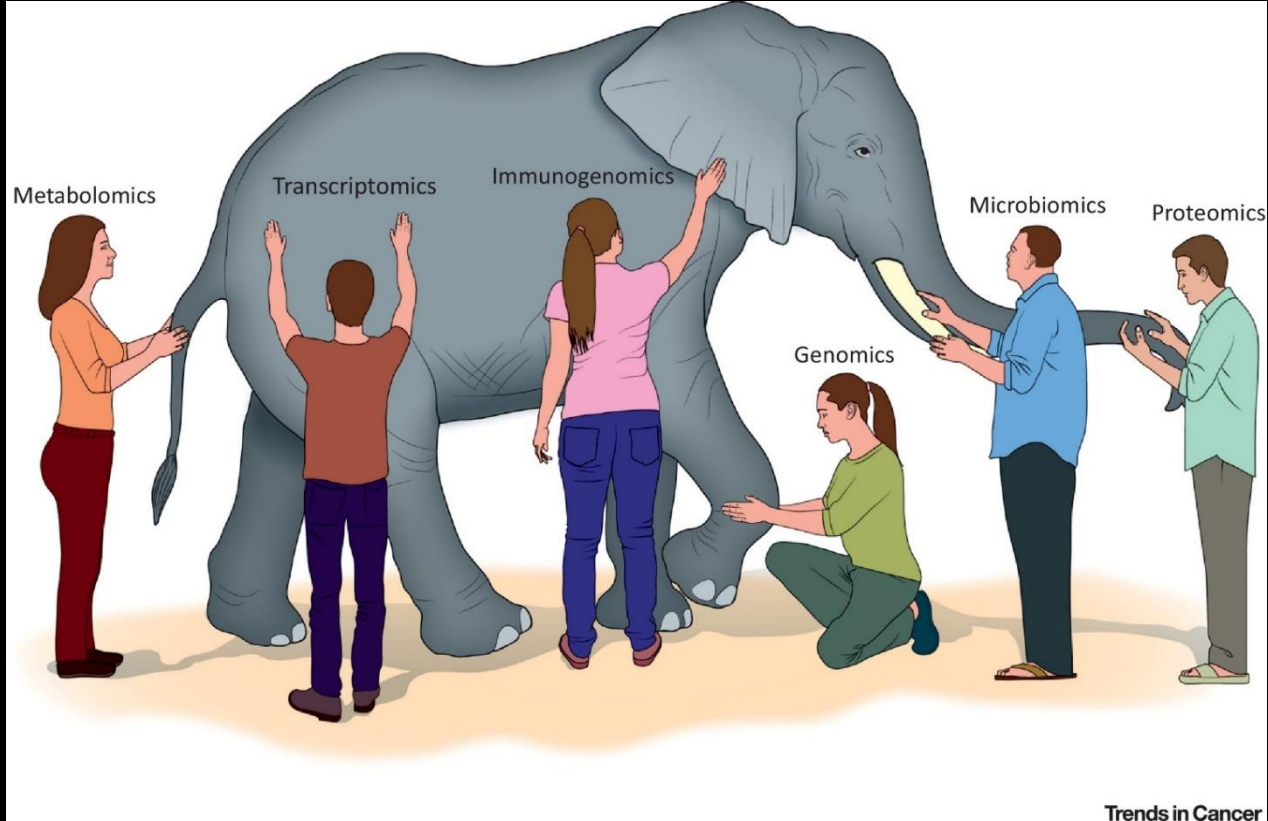


*The Light Microscope  
Invented in 1590  
Still used to diagnose and classify cancer*

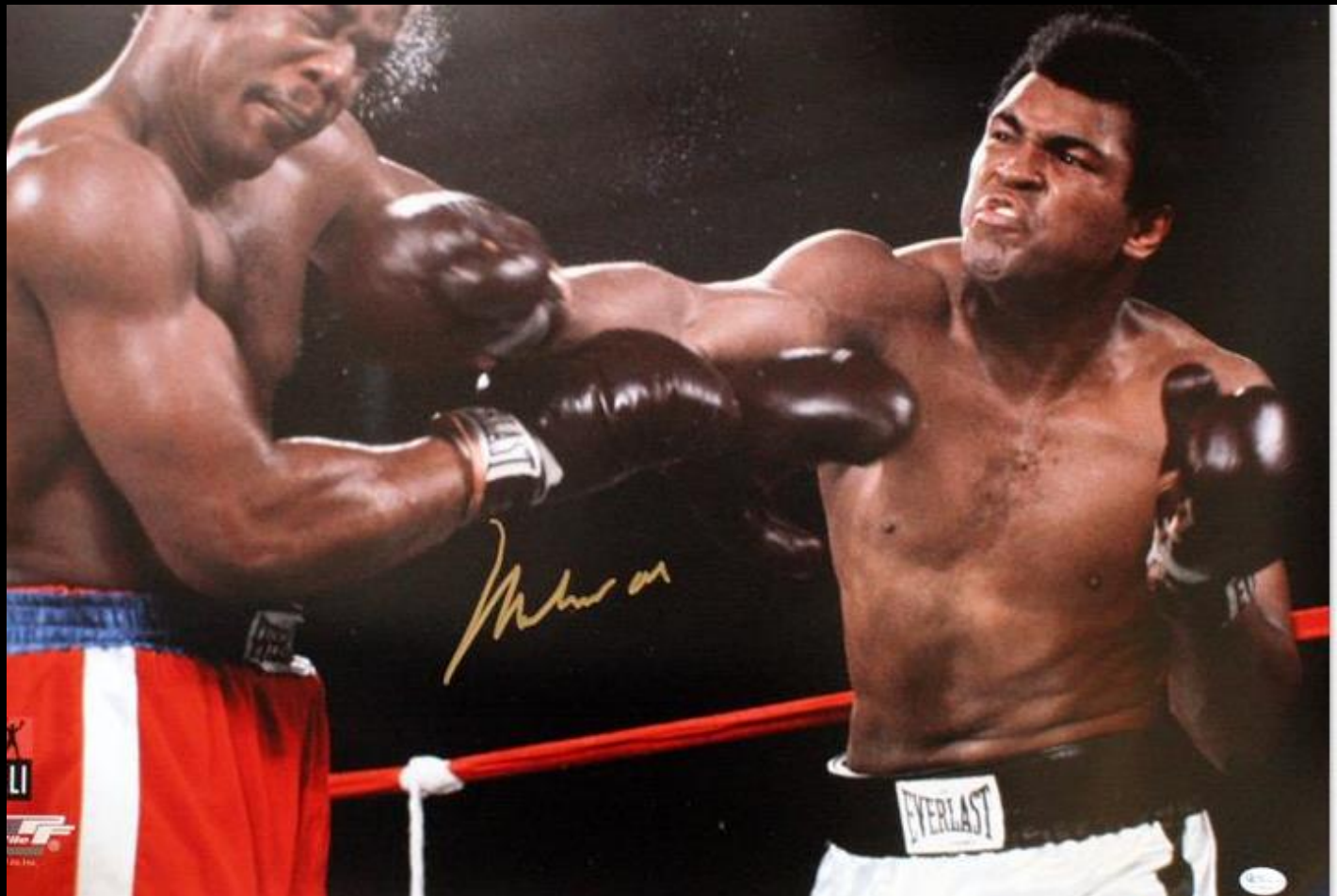


Universal Genomic Testing Needed to Win  
the War Against Cancer  
Genomics IS the Diagnosis

# Six Blind Men and Elephants



Trends in Cancer



# 2020

- The death rate from cancer in the US declined by 29% from 1991 to 2017, including a 2.2% drop from 2016 to 2017, the largest single-year drop ever recorded.
- The decline in deaths from **lung cancer** drove the record drop. Deaths fell from about 3% per year from 2008 - 2013 to 5% from 2013 - 2017 in men and from 2% to almost 4% in women.

# **THE TIME IS NOW**

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**Together we will end cancer**



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