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### PL01.02 - Disparities in Lung Cancer Care Across the Population



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# **Objectives**



- > Describe the multi-level framework of healthcare disparities.
- Emphasize the need for a comprehensive, proactive approach to corrective interventions.
- Exemplify innovative programmatic solutions to the problem of inequitable lung cancer care delivery.
- Highlight social policy interventions as the greatest levers.

### Lung Cancer In the United States: A Tale of Geographic Disparity



Mokdad AH, et al. JAMA. 2017. PMID: 28118455

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# **Overview of disparities**



Health disparities: 'differences in the incidence, prevalence, mortality, and burden of disease, and other adverse health conditions that exist among specific population groups....' (NIH, 2014).\*

### Avoidable (preventable) difference'

- > Patterns are predictable and similar;
- > Emerge or worsen with discovery and innovation;
- > Multi-level etiology- patient, provider, organizational and social policy.
- Multi-level clustering leads to geographic disparities.
- Overcoming (preventing, eliminating, narrowing) them requires active intervention

\*https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/educational/healthdisp/\_Accessed on July 12, 2021.

### Lung Cancer Burden v CT Screening: State-Level



### Fedewa SA, et al. J Natl Cancer Inst. 2020. PMID: 33176362.

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### If 'the best treatment is a clinical trial'....





Proportion of Black patients by setting

Proportion of Black patients by setting for common cancers

Unger JM, Hershman DL, Osarogiagbon RU, et al. Representativeness of Black Patients in Cancer Clinical Trials Sponsored by the National Cancer Institute Compared With Pharmaceutical Companies. JNCI Cancer Spectr. 2020.



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### The <u>Real</u> Barriers to Clinical Trials Participation



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## TAKE HOME MESSAGE



- 1. Healthcare (justice, and other) disparities are a reversible sociopolitical construct;
- 2. For corrective intervention: social policy> organization> provider> individual.



**June 2, 2020:** National Guard troops deployed to the Lincoln Memorial during protests over the murder of George Floyd

**January 6, 2021:** inside the Capitol, selfie with an insurrectionist.

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# IMpower010: Characterization of Stage IB-IIIA NSCLC Patients by Type and Extent of Therapy Prior to Adjuvant Atezolizumab

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AstraZeneca	Investigator-initiated clinical trial, advisory board
Merck	Investigator-initiated clinical trial

### Introduction

- In stage II-III NSCLC, surgical resection followed by adjuvant chemotherapy is a standard of care<sup>1</sup>
- The Phase III IMpower010 trial (NCT02486718) is evaluating atezolizumab (anti–PD-L1) vs BSC after adjuvant chemotherapy in patients with completely resected NSCLC and, at the DFS interim analysis, met its primary endpoint
  - Adjuvant atezolizumab showed significant DFS benefit vs BSC in the PD-L1 TC ≥1% (per SP263) stage II-IIIA and the all-randomized stage II-IIIA populations<sup>2</sup>
  - The statistical significance boundary for DFS was not crossed in the ITT (all-randomized stage IB-IIIA) population
  - OS data were immature at this DFS interim analysis
- Here we explored prior therapies, including surgery type, and their potential impact on DFS outcomes in patients receiving adjuvant atezolizumab or BSC in IMpower010

BSC, best supportive care; DFS, disease-free survival; ITT, intent to treat; TC, tumor cells. 1. Hellyer JA, Wakelee H. *Thorac Surg Clin*. 2020;30:179-185; 2. Wakelee H, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2021;39(suppl 15):8500.

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### IMpower010 study design



#### Stratification factors

- Male vs female
- Stage (IB vs II vs IIIA)
- Histology
- PD-L1 tumor expression status<sup>a</sup>: 2. All-randomized stage II-IIIA population TC2/3 and any IC vs TC0/1 and IC2/3 vs TC0/1 and IC0/1

#### **Primary endpoints**

- Investigator-assessed DFS tested hierarchically:
  - 1. PD-L1 TC ≥1% (SP263) stage II-IIIA population

  - 3. ITT (all-randomized stage IB-IIIA) population



Both arms included observation and regular scans for disease recurrence on the same schedule. IC, tumor-infiltrating immune cells. <sup>a</sup> Per SP142 assay. <sup>b</sup> Two-sided α=0.05.

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OS data were immature, and endpoint was not formally tested

# Patient disposition and reasons for discontinuation prior to randomization



- 1269 patients received chemotherapy
- 275 patients discontinued prior to randomization
- 1005 patients were subsequently randomized to atezolizumab or BSC

Study discontinuation reason, n (%)	Patients (n=275)
Withdrawal by subject	86 (31.3)
Disease relapse	54 (19.6)
Other	41 (14.9)
Adverse event	34 (12.4)
Death	19 (6.9)
Physician decision	18 (6.5)
Protocol deviation	18 (6.5)
Lost to follow-up	4 (1.5)
Symptomatic deterioration	1 (<1)

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Patient, disease and treatment character	ristics (ITT) <b>\</b>	Nell Balance	d IASU
Characteristic	Atezolizumab (n=507)	BSC (n=498)	All patients (n=1005)
Median age (range), y	62 (33-83)	62 (26-84)	62 (26-84)
Sex, male, n (%)	337 (66.5)	335 (67.3)	672 (66.9)
ECOG PS 0 / 1, n (%)	273 (53.8) / 232 (45.8)	283 (56.8) / 214 (43.0)	556 (55.3) / 446 (44.4)
Histology, non-squamous, n (%)	328 (64.7)	331 (66.5)	659 (65.6)
PD-L1 by SP263, TC ≥1%, n (%)ª	283 (57.4)	252 (51.9)	535 (54.6)
Stage, n (%)			
IB	65 (12.8)	58 (11.6)	123 (12.2)
IIA	147 (29.0)	148 (29.7)	295 (29.4)
IIB	90 (17.8)	84 (16.9)	174 (17.3)
IIIA	205 (40.4)	208 (41.8)	413 (41.1)
Mediastinal lymph node dissection, n (%)	402 (79.3)	409 (82.1)	811 (80.7)
Mediastinal lymph node sampling, n (%)	93 (18.3)	88 (17.7)	181 (18.0)
Regional lymph node status (pN), n (%)			
NO	183 (36.1)	169 (33.9)	352 (35.0)
N1	170 (33.5)	178 (35.7)	348 (34.6)
N2	154 (30.4)	151 (30.3)	305 (30.3)
Type of surgery, n (%) <sup>b</sup>			
Lobectomy	394 (77.7)	391 (78.5)	785 (78.1)
Pneumonectomy	77 (15.2)	83 (16.7)	160 (15.9)
Bilobectomy	31 (6.1)	19 (3.8)	50 (5.0)
Median (range) time from surgery to first atezolizumab treatment or BSC, mo	5.2 (2.4-7.7)	5.1 (2.3-8.0)	5.2 (2.3-8.0)
Chemotherapy treatment, n (%)			
Cisplatin-docetaxel	77 (15.2)	75 (15.1)	152 (15.1)
Cisplatin-gemcitabine	88 (17.4)	77 (15.5)	165 (16.4)
Cisplatin-vinorelbine	152 (30.0)	151 (30.3)	303 (30.1)
Cisplatin-pemetrexed	190 (37.5)	195 (39.2)	385 (38.3)

Clinical cutoff: January 21, 2021. <sup>a</sup> 26 patients in the ITT population had unknown PD-L1 status as assessed by SP263. <sup>b</sup> Subgroups with <10 patients are not shown.



### **Chemotherapy treatment (randomized ITT population<sup>a</sup>)**



Chemotherapy treatment	All patients (n=1005)			
Cisplatin-docetaxel	n=152			
Received 4 cycles cisplatin, n (%)	145 (95.4)			
Received 4 cycles docetaxel, n (%)	144 (94.7)			
Cisplatin-gemcitabine	n=165			
Received 4 cycles cisplatin, n (%)	130 (78.8)			
Received 4 cycles gemcitabine, n (%)	126 (76.4)			
Cisplatin-vinorelbine	n=303			
Received 4 cycles cisplatin, n (%)	245 (80.9)			
Received 4 cycles vinorelbine, n (%)	243 (80.2)			
Cisplatin-pemetrexed	n=385			
Received 4 cycles cisplatin, n (%)	341 (88.6)			
Received 4 cycles pemetrexed, n (%)	344 (89.4)			

Clinical cutoff: January 21, 2021.<sup>a</sup> Defined as all eligible patients enrolled in the enrollment phase who received ≥1 dose of chemotherapy (cisplatin, vinorelbine, docetaxel, gemcitabine, pemetrexed) and were subsequently randomized to atezolizumab or BSC.

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# DFS in the PD-L1 TC ≥1%<sup>a</sup> stage II-IIIA, all-randomized stage II-IIIA and IASLC ITT populations (primary endpoint)



	Atezolizumab (n=248)	BSC (n=228)		Atezolizumab (n=442)	BSC (n=440)		Atezolizumab (n=507)	BSC (n=498)
Median DFS (95% CI), mo	NE (36.1, NE)	35.3 (29.0, NE)	Median DFS (95% CI), mo	42.3 (36.0, NE)	35.3 (30.4, 46.4)	Median DFS (95% CI), mo	NE (36.1, NE)	37.2 (31.6, NE)
Stratified HR (95% CI)	0.66 (0.5	50, 0.88)	Stratified HR (95% CI)	0.79 (0.64, 0.96)		Stratified HR (95% CI)	0.81 (0.6	67, 0.99)
P value <sup>b</sup>	0.0	04 <sup>c</sup>	P value <sup>b</sup>	0.02 <sup>c</sup>		<i>P</i> value <sup>b</sup>	0.0	)4 <sup>d</sup>

Clinical cutoff: January 21, 2021. a Per SP263 assay. b Stratified log-rank. Crossed the significance boundary for DFS. d The statistical significance boundary for DFS was not crossed.

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### All-randomized stage II-IIIA population: DFS by disease and treatment characteristics

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Subgroup	<u>n</u>		<u>HR (95% CI)</u> ª	<u>Atezolizumab</u>	BSC
All patients	882	·♦I	0.79 (0.64, 0.96)	42.3	35.3
Disease stage					
Stage IIA	295	► ♦	0.68 (0.46, 1.00)	NE	NE
Stage IIB	174	► <b>• • •</b>	0.88 (0.54, 1.42)	37.1	46.4
Stage IIIA	413	► <b>♦</b>	0.81 (0.61, 1.06)	32.3	29.7
Regional lymph node status (pN)					
NO	229	▶ ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ►	0.88 (0.57, 1.35)	NE	46.4
N+	653	► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ►	0.76 (0.60, 0.96)	42.3	31.4
N1	348	► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ►	0.67 (0.47, 0.95)	NE	36.0
N2	305	► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ►	0.83 (0.61, 1.13)	30.2	24.1
Type of surgery <sup>b</sup>					
Lobectomy	675	► •	0.77 (0.61, 0.97)	42.3	32.0
Pneumonectomy	150	► <b>• • • • • • • • • •</b>	0.91 (0.56, 1.47)	36.1	42.1
Bilobectomy	47	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1.02 (0.35, 2.98)	36.7	NE
Chemotherapy regimen					
Cisplatin-docetaxel	124	► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ►	0.72 (0.42, 1.23)	36.1	37.3
Cisplatin-gemcitabine	138	► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ► ►	0.94 (0.56, 1.57)	36.1	46.4
Cisplatin-vinorelbine	271	► • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	0.67 (0.46, 0.99)	NE	37.0
Cisplatin-pemetrexed	349	►	0.84 (0.61, 1.16)	42.3	31.4
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### Conclusions



- At the DFS interim analysis of IMpower010, atezolizumab showed statistically significant DFS benefit vs BSC in the PD-L1 TC ≥1% stage II-IIIA (HR, 0.66; 95% CI: 0.50, 0.88) and all-randomized stage II-IIIA (HR, 0.79; 95% CI: 0.64, 0.96) populations
- The main reasons patients were not randomized after enrollment were patient withdrawal and disease progression
- In the ITT population:
  - Study arms were well balanced with regard to disease stage, regional lymph node status, surgical intervention and chemotherapy regimen
  - The majority of patients had lobectomy, lymph node dissection and 4 cycles of adjuvant chemotherapy
  - The median time from surgery to start of randomized treatment or BSC was similar between study arms
- In this exploratory analysis, improved DFS was observed with adjuvant atezolizumab vs BSC in the PD-L1 TC ≥1% stage II-IIIA and all-randomized stage II-IIIA populations – across most disease stages, in patients with nodal involvement, and across most surgery types and chemotherapy regimens



# S1619 A trial of neoadjuvant cisplatin-pemetrexed with atezolizumab in combination and maintenance for resectable pleural mesothelioma

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### Background

- Malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) is an orphan disease with limited treatment options.
   In the curable population, neoadjuvant chemotherapy, surgical, resection, and adjuvant radiation vield median OS 17-25 months.
- MPM is an immunogenic disease and the PD-L1 target has been identified in mesothelioma tumor cells and associated as a negative prognostic biomarker.<sup>1</sup>
- Mansfield et al. reports 40% PD-L1 expression in MPM (n=224) anti-human B7-H1 (clone 5H1-A3) antibody and associates IHC expression with more disease burden and worse survival (6 months vs 14 months, p<0.0001)</li>



**Rationale:** We propose that adding anti-PD-L1 inhibitor to neoadjuvant cisplatin-pemetrexed and then maintenance immunotherapy after surgical resection and adjuvant radiation will enhance T-cell activation against microscopic disease and potentially increase overall survival outcomes.







\*Cisplatin 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, Pemetrexed 500 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV + Atezolizumab 1200 mg IV Q3wk

Serum blood for translational correlates obtained baseline, cycle 1-4, post-op, then prior to maintenance therapy, at time of PD



Primary endpoint: Evaluate the safety/tolerability and feasibility of neoadjuvant cisplatin-pemetrexed-atezolizumab, followed by surgery +/- radiation, followed by adjuvant maintenance atezolizumab.



- Accrual goal: 24 evaluable patients (12 EPP, 12 P/D)
  - Evaluable is defined as if they receive at least two cycles of the triplet neoadjuvant therapy (all three drugs). Patients who are not evaluable will be replaced. Both cohorts will be open in parallel.
- Regimen considered safe/tolerable if no patients experience a Grade 4-5 immune-related adverse event.
- Feasible/safety was defined as no Grade 4-5 immune-related adverse event; feasible if 18/24 (75%) received at least one dose of maintenance therapy.
- Analyses will separately evaluate patients who receive P/D and those who receive an EPP for their surgical procedure.
- It was anticipated that a total of 28 patients will need to be registered in order to accrue 24 eligible and evaluable patients.

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### **Preliminary Outcomes**



- 2 toxicity, 4 disease progression, 1 death (sepsis associated with non-immune related renal and respiratory failure)
- > 18 patients with SD or PR proceeded to surgical resection
  - > 17 received a P/D and 1 EPP.
  - > 1 patient did not receive protocol-specified surgery due to PD.
  - > Post-operatively, 1 patient had a fatal CVA.
- > 16 patients registered to receive maintenance atezolizumab for 1 year
  - > 1 patient was ineligible due to inadequate hematologic function.
- > Three patients remain ongoing with maintenance atezolizumab therapy.



### Neoadjuvant therapy common TRAE and AE of interest

AE	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	$\boldsymbol{\mathcal{C}}$
Acute Renal Injury*				1		
Anemia	5	5	2			
Anorexia	7	4				
Constipation	5	2				
Creatinine increase	5	1				
Diarrhea			1			
Dysgeusia	3	2				
Fatigue	10	5				
Febrile Neutropenia			1			
Hyponatremia	4		1			
Infusion related reaction		3				
Nausea	9	10	1			
Neutropenia	4	4	3			
Pneumonitis*				1		
Respiratory failure*				1		
Sepsis*					1	
Vomiting	4	2	1			

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### Maintenance therapy common TRAE and AE of interest

AE	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Adrenal insufficiency		1			
Anemia	1				
Anorexia	2	1			
Constipation	2				
Creatinine increase	1	1			
Diarrhea	1				
Fatigue	5	1			
Hypotension			1		
Hypothyroidism	1	1			
Infusion related reaction		1			
Nausea	2	1			
Rash	2				
Vomiting	1				

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### **S1619 Preliminary Take Home Message**



- > 18 patients with radiographic SD or PR proceeded to surgical resection
- > 16 patients were able to proceed to maintenance atezolizumab
- > To date, no delayed treatment related adverse events > grade 3 have been reported.
- There was no new safety signal from the CPA regimen nor atezolizumab maintenance therapy.
- > Three patients remain ongoing with maintenance atezolizumab therapy.
- > Additional efficacy data will be updated at time of Sept presentation.
- This trial highlights the challenging nature of neoadjuvant therapy trials in this patient population.



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# International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer (IASLC) Study of the Impacts of COVID-19 on International Lung Cancer Clinical Trials

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# IASLC Global Clinical Trial Survey: Introduction IASLC

Clinical trials are vitally important for advancing novel therapies and improving care for persons with lung cancer.

The COVID-19 pandemic created major barriers to enrollment and completion of clinical trials.

We surveyed investigators and collected enrollment data for worldwide lung cancer trials before (2019) and during (2020-2021) the pandemic.
#### **IASLC Global Clinical Trial Survey Methods**



Data Collection Survey evaluated aggregate monthly enrollment for international lung cancer trials from 2019-2020.

We estimated Incidence Rate Ratios (IRR) with 95% confidence intervals (CI) by Generalized Estimating Equations.

<u>Action Survey</u> to assess the impact of COVID-19 on the conduct of clinical trials and identified mitigation strategies used.

64-questions, distributed by email to select international clinical trial sites



## How did the Pandemic Impact Trial Enrollment? IASLC

50,000,000
 Monthly COVID-19 cases increased for all of 2020
 We compared monthly enrollment in 2019 vs. 2020 from the 171 clinical trials.
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•••2 per. Mov. Avg. (2020 COVID Cases)



- COVID-19 cases increased consistently for all of 2020, Enrollment declined by 43% from 2019 to 2020 (IRR: 0.57 [CI: 0.37, 0.88]) p=0.0115), with the most dramatic decrease April-August.
- however the impact on trial enrollment was significantly less in October-December (p=0.0160).

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Patient Challenge	es and Concerns IASLC
Challenges	Concerns
Willingness to visit site - 63%	Fear of COVID-19 infection - 83%
Ability to travel - 60%	Travel restrictions - 47%
Access to trial site - 52%	Securing transportation - 38%
Exposure-related quarantine - 40%	Lab/radiology access - 14%
COVID-19 infection - 26%	

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# Most Frequent Mitigation Strategies IASLC

Modified monitoring requirements **Telehealth visits** Labs at non-study facilities Modified required visits Mail-order medications Radiology at non-study facilities Altered trial schedules Electronic consent processes Altered consent process



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## Sites felt the most effective mitigation strategies were

Remote monitoring (64%) Remote diagnostics (59%) Telehealth visits (59%) Modified Symptom monitoring (59%)

Delayed visits (65%) Delayed assessment (62%) IRB changes (62%) → Flexibility in "Place"

#### → Flexibility in "Time"

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### **Conclusions from the IASLC COVID-19 Clinical Trial Survey**

- The COVID-19 pandemic created many challenges causing reductions in lung cancer clinical trial enrollment.
- Mitigation strategies were employed, removing barriers
- Although the pandemic worsened, trial enrollment began to improve due in part to these strategies.

#### Conclusions from the IASLC COVID-19 Clinical Trial Survey

More flexible approaches should be approved by sponsors, trial sites, and global regulatory bodies and should include at least:

- Allowing telehealth visits (research staff & physicians)
- Allowing local testing including labs and scans
- > Mailing experimental agents where possible
- Flexible alterations in trial schedules

## IASLC COVID-19 Clinical Trial Survey Take-Home Message

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 A more flexible approach -removing unnecessary barriers- may improve enrollment and access to clinical trials, even beyond the pandemic.



## Death from intercurrent disease after protonversus photon-based chemoradiotherapy for NSCLC

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## **Proton therapy for LA-NSCLC**

Potential to reduce normal tissue exposure for a patient population with significant pre-existing comorbidities

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Clinical benefit remains uncertain

## Objective

 To determine if proton therapy is associated with a reduced risk of death from intercurrent disease (DID), defined as death in the absence of disease progression

## Methods

- Single institution retrospective review of patients with LA-NSCLC receiving either proton- (n=98) or photon- (n=89) based chemoradiation
- DID compared between groups using CIF and modelled with Fine-Gray method
- Overall survival (OS) assessed with Kaplan Meier method and Cox

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	Base	line		
		Proton (n=98)	Photon (n=89)	Р
	Age (median, IQR)	69 (65-75)	62 (56-70)	<0.001
,	Women	51 (52%)	48 (53.9%)	0.80
	ECOG PS			
	0	33 (33.7%)	37 (41.6%)	0.35
	1	55 (56.1%)	47 (52.8%)	
	2	10 (10.2%)	5 (5.6%)	
	Cardiovascular comorbidity	53 (54.1%)	31 (34.8%)	0.008
	Pulmonary comorbidity	42 (42.9%)	39 (43.8%)	0.78
	Smoking, pack-years (median, IQR)	40 (19-55)	30 (10-47)	0.043
	AJCC Stage			
	IIA-B	1 (1%)	3 (3.4%)	
	IIIA	67 (68.4%)	52 (58.4%)	0.15
	IIIB	28 (28.6%)	34 (38.2%)	
	IV	2 (2%)	0 (0%)	
	Year of treatment			
	2008-2011	4 (4.1%)	42 (47.2%)	<0.001
	2012-2016	94 (95.9%)	47 (52.8%)	
	Radiation dose, Gy (median, IQR)	66.6 (66.6-66.6)	66.6 (66.6-70.2)	0.59
	Radiation technique			
	IMPT (vs PSPT)	9 (9.2%)		-
	IMRT (vs 3DCRT)		68 (76.4%)	
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## Dose to organs at risk

Median, IQR	Proton (n=98)	Photon (n=89)	Ρ
Heart			
Mean (Gy)	6.7 (4-11.2)	15 (6.2-22.5)	<0.001
V5 (%)	18.8 (12.8-30.2)	42.8 (23.5-72)	<0.001
V30 (%)	9.6 (5-15.8)	18.7 (6.1-31.7)	0.001
Total Lung			
Mean (Gy)	16.5 (12.9-19.1)	17.4 (14.5-19.7)	0.18
V5 (%)	35.9 (29.5-43.1)	48.2 (41.5-57.6)	<0.001
V20 (%)	29.7 (23.5-34.2)	28.7 (24.6-32.5)	0.51
Contralateral lung			
Mean (Gy)	0.97 (0.2-3.3)	5.9 (4.2-8.4)	<0.001
Esophagus			
Mean (Gy)	22.1 (16-30)	26.5 (21.4-34.2)	0.003
V50 (%)	25.7 (13.2-37.9)	27.7 (18.7-38.5)	0.15

### Death from intercurrent disease – protons vs photons

	Proton (n=98)	Photon (n=89)
Total Events	9	16
Respiratory failure	3	7
(unrelated to		
cancer/toxicity)		
OOH cardiopulm arrest	2	2
Undifferentiated sepsis	1	1
CRT toxicity	0	2
Unknown	3	4

# No difference in OS or disease progression

• Disease progression: 3-yr cumulative incidence 68.4% vs 67.4%, p=0.9



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	Univariate		Multivariat	е	1.0-	
	sHR (95% CI)	Р	sHR (95% CI)	Р		-
Age (y)	1.07 (1.03-1.11)	<0.00 1			-8.0 8 -0.0	
ECOG PS (stratum)	2.16 (1.21-3.85)	0.009			tiveInd	3-year DID, 15.6% vs 6.7%
Pulm comorbidity	1.80 (0.83-3.92)	0.14			ppmn0.4-	(p=0.049)
Year ('12-'16 vs '08-'11)	0.69 (0.3-1.58)	0.38			02-	Mean heart >10 Gy I
Proton (vs photon)	0.50 (0.22-1.1)	0.09	0.25 (0.1-0.65) 1	0.004	0.0-	<u> Mean heart &lt;=10 Gy</u>
Mean heart dose (Gy)	1.05 (1.01-1.08)	0.007	1.06 (1.02-1.10)	0.002		o 20 40 60 80 100 120 Time (months)
Mean esophageal dose (Gy)	1.04 (1.01-1.08) <sup>1</sup> Paired with a models	0.015 ge and l	1.05 (1.01-1.09) GOG PS; 3 separ	0.019 ate	1.0 -	+ Censored Logrank p=0.0004
Mean lung dose (Gy)			HR (95% CI)	Р	-8.0 ≤ <u>≤</u>	$mOS_{23mo} v_{s} 34mo (n<0.0)$
	Age (y)		1.04 (1.02-1.06)	<0.00 1	- 6.0 0.6 0.4 0.4	Mean heart <=10 Gy
	ECOG PS (stratun	n) <sup>r</sup>	1.52 (1.1-2.08)	0.01	ਹੋ 0.2 -	<sup>°</sup> → <u>Mean heart &gt;10 Gy</u>
	Pulm comorbidity		1.48 (1.05-2.09)	0.026	0.0 -	
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	Mean heart dose (	Gy)	1.03 (1.01-1.04)	0.013	>10 Gy	w ar 10 13 4 1

#### Summary



- Proton therapy associated with reduced normal tissue exposure and reduced risk of death from intercurrent disease after adjusting for age
- Endpoint may become more clinically relevant as risk of disease progression decreases with immunotherapy

# **Global Lung Cancer Deaths Attributable to Air Pollution**



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#### Air Pollution and Lung Cancer Estimated Deaths





#### Globally (2017)

- 1.88 million total deaths
- 265,267 deaths attributable to air pollution
- 14.1 % of all lung cancer deaths
- One in seven lung cancer deaths



#### United States (2020)

- 136,000 total deaths
- 6392 deaths attributable to air pollution
- 4.7% of all lung cancer deaths
- One in twenty lung cancer deaths

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#### Air Pollution and Lung Cancer

#### IARC Hazard Assessment Group 1 Carcinogens





#### Volume 109 (2016)

Outdoor air pollution classified as human carcinogen Particulate matter in outdoor air pollution classified as human carcinogen

- Sufficient evidence for lung cancer
- Positive associations with urinary bladder cancer Data includes general population studies/environmental levels of exposures.

#### Volume 105 (2014)

Diesel engine exhaust classified as human carcinogen

- Sufficient evidence for lung cancer
- -Positive associations with urinary bladder cancer Data mostly from occupational exposure settings.

Uncertainty of effect at low dose environmental exposure levels. Less data for other cancers.

#### Volume 100e (2012)

Indoor emissions from household combustion of coal classified as human carcinogen (lung cancer)

International Agency for Research on Cancer







FIGURE 4. Air Pollution-Related Cancer: Potential Pathways and Mechanisms. TSG indicates tumor-suppressor genes.

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## METHODOLOGY



- > Estimates of deaths from lung cancer in countries across the globe
- > Estimation of Particulate Matter (PM ≤ 2.5 microns) exposure
  - > Satellite measurements and surface measurements used
  - Transport and geographical data
  - Aggregated gridded exposure concentrations to national-level population-weighted means
- Risk estimates were from studies of ambient air pollution, household air pollution, second-hand smoke exposure and active smoking
- Population-attributable fraction then estimated with combination of estimates of exposure and relative risk



		Results		~~~ <del>~</del>
	Rank	Attributable Deaths/100,000 Ages 50 – 69 (Uncertainty Interval)	Adult smoking (%)	Particulate Matter 2.5 μm (μg/m³)
Serbia	1	36.88 (25.04-51.61)	41.7 %	24.3
Poland	5	27.97 (19.74-38.3)	28.0 %	16.9
China	8	24.63 (17.89-32.95)	24.7 %	34.7
Mongolia	13	19.71 (12.78-29.14)	26.5 %	46.4
Turkey	15	19.2 (12.93-27.08)	26.0 %	18.7
India	81	6.88 (4.9-8.89)	11.1 %	51.9
United States	176	3.91 (1.89 – 6.58)	17.3 %	9.6

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## **Sources of Particulate Matter Pollution**



- > Indoor cooking
- > Energy sources: % of energy production from coal

•	Serbia	70%
•	Poland	74%
•	China	65%
•	Mongolia	80%
•	Turkey	35%
•	India	57%
•	US	19%

https://www.statista.com/statistics/689572/share-of-coal-energy-in-global-generation-by-country-and-type/

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# Conclusions

- Fourteen percent of all lung cancer deaths worldwide are attributable to air pollution and risk varies worldwide
- Sources of air pollution include fossil fuel plants, transit and indoor cooking modules
- Both smoking and air pollution are important causes of lung cancer
- Both need to be eliminated to help prevent lung cancer and save lives
- As lung cancer professionals, we can mitigate the effects of air pollution on causing lung cancer by speaking out for clean energy standards



# Highlights from WCLC in advanced disease NSCLC and SCLC

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## Topics



- > First-line non-small cell lung cancer: Poseidon
- > Second-line small cell lung cancer: Atlantis
- Treatment of patients with brain metastases with chemotherapy and immunotherapy
  - Retrospective analysis of Checkmate 9LA
  - Prospective single arm phase 2 trial of chemotherapy and atezolizumab

#### Durvalumab ± Tremelimumab + Chemotherapy as First-Line Treatment for mNSCLC: Results from the Phase 3 POSEIDON Study

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#### **POSEIDON Study Design**

Phase 3, global, randomized, open-label, multicenter study



<sup>†</sup>Patients with non-squamous histology who initially received pemetrexed during first-line treatment only (if eligible); <sup>‡</sup>Patients received an additional dose of tremelimumab post CT (5th dose)

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BICR, blinded independent central review; BOR, best objective response; bTMB, blood tumor mutational burden; D, durvalumab; DoR, duration of response; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; Mb, megabase; mut, mutations; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PS, performance status; q3w, every 3 weeks; q4w, every 4 weeks; T, tremelimumab; TC, tumor cell

#### **Baseline Characteristics**

	D+CT (n=338)	D+T+CT (n=338)	CT (n=337)
Median age (range), years	64.5 (32–87)	63.0 (27–87)	64.0 (32–84)
Male, %	74.9	79.6	73.6
White / Asian / Other, %	53.8 / 36.4 / 9.8	60.7 / 29.3 / 10.1	53.1 / 38.0 / 8.9
Eastern Europe / Asia / North America / Western Europe / Other region, %	30.5 / 35.5 / 13.6 / 7.7 / 12.7	36.1 / 28.4 / 13.0 / 8.6 / 13.9	28.2 / 36.8 / 11.9 / 8.3 / 14.8
ECOG PS 0 / 1, %	32.2 / 67.8	32.5 / 67.5	35.3 / 64.4
Squamous / Non-squamous histology*, %	37.9 / 61.8	36.7 / 63.3	36.2 / 63.5
AJCC disease stage IVA / IVB*, %	50.3 / 49.4	50.6 / 48.8	49.3 / 50.4
Current or former / Never smoker, %	75.1 / 24.9	82.5 / 17.5	76.3 / 23.4
PD-L1 TC ≥50%* / TC ≥1%, %	27.8 / 66.3	29.9 / 63.0	28.8 / 61.4
CNS metastases, %	8.3	9.8	13.4
Liver metastases, %	18.3	20.4	23.7

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#### Durvalumab + CT vs CT: PFS and OS

PFS

OS



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DCO PFS FA: Jul 24, 2019; DCO OS FA: Mar 12, 2021 DCO, data cut-off; FA, final analysis; mOS, median OS; mPFS, median PFS

#### Durvalumab + Tremelimumab + CT vs CT: PFS and OS



OS



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DCO PFS FA: Jul 24, 2019; DCO OS FA: Mar 12, 2021

#### **Confirmed Objective Response Rate and Duration of Response**



#### Duration of Response

	D+CT	D+T+CT	СТ
Responders*, n	137	130	81
<b>Median DoR</b> , months (95% CI)	<b>7.0</b> (5.7–9.9)	<b>9.5</b> (7.2–NE)	<b>5.1</b> (4.4–6.0)
Remaining in response at 12 months, %	38.9	49.7	21.4

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\*Confirmed objective response by BICR assessed in patients with measurable disease at baseline; confirmation was not required per protocol (post-hoc analysis) DCO PFS FA: Jul 24, 2019 NE, not estimable

#### **Immune-Mediated Adverse Events (Grouped Terms)**

	D+ (n=3	D+CT (n=334)		D+T+CT (n=330)		CT (n=333)	
	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Any grade	Grade 3/4	
Any imAE*, n (%)	64 (19.2)	23 (6.9)	111 (33.6)	33 (10.0)	17 (5.1)	5 (1.5)	
Hypothyroid events	20 (6.0)	0	27 (8.2)	0	3 (0.9)	0	
Pneumonitis	10 (3.0)	4 (1.2)	12 (3.6)	3 (0.9)	2 (0.6)	2 (0.6)	
Rash	5 (1.5)	2 (0.6)	13 (3.9)	3 (0.9)	6 (1.8)	2 (0.6)	
Hepatic events	11 (3.3)	8 (2.4)	12 (3.6)	7 (2.1)	0	0	
Dermatitis	4 (1.2)	1 (0.3)	14 (4.2)	1 (0.3)	1 (0.3)	0	
Colitis	4 (1.2)	1 (0.3)	13 (3.9)	5 (1.5)	0	0	
Hyperthyroid events	4 (1.2)	1 (0.3)	9 (2.7)	0	1 (0.3)	0	
Adrenal insufficiency	4 (1.2)	1 (0.3)	8 (2.4)	2 (0.6)	0	0	
Rare/miscellaneous	1 (0.3)	1 (0.3)	11 (3.3)	3 (0.9)	2 (0.6)	1 (0.3)	

imAEs leading to death occurred in 1 patient receiving D+CT (myocarditis) and in 2 patients receiving D+T+CT (pneumonitis in 1 patient; and hepatic, renal, and pancreatic events and myocarditis in 1 patient)

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\*imAEs with an incidence >2% in any treatment arm; an imAE was defined as an AE of special interest consistent with an immune-mediated mechanism of action, where there is no clear alternate etiology, and requiring the use of systemic steroids or other immunosuppressants and/or, for specific endocrine events, endocrine therapy. DCO OS FA: Mar 12, 2021 imAE. immune-mediated AE

# Lurbinectedin/doxorubicin *versus* CAV or topotecan in relapsed SCLC patients: Phase III randomized ATLANTIS trial

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### **ATLANTIS: Study design**



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## **Baseline Characteristics (II)**

		Experimental Arm	Control Arm
		Lurbinectedin+DOX	Topotecan/CAV
		(n=307)	(n=306)
Bulky disease, %	one lesion ≥50mm	46.9	41.5
CNS Involvement , %		15.0	16.0
Prior lines of therapy (#), %	# median (range)	1.0 (1-2)	1.0 (1-2)
	1 line	97.1	98.7
	2 lines	2.9	1.3
Best response to prior	CR	5.5	4.9
chemotherapy, %	PR	62.5	62.4
	SD	23.1	20.6
	PD	5.5	6.9
	NE/UK/NA	3.3	5.2
Prior anti PD-1 or PD-L1, %		6.2	5.6
TTP to prior chemotherapy, months	median (range)	7.4 (0.8-40.2)	7.4 (1.6-33.7)
CTFI (days), %	median (range)	115.0 (0-1094)	120.5 (13-960)
	<90	32.2	33.0
	90-179	37.5	37.9
	≥180	30.3	29.1

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### **Overall Survival (ITT population)**



	Lurbinectedin+DOX (N=307)	Control (N=306)	Parameter	p-value
Events, n (%)	268 (87.3)	254 (83.0)		
Censored, n (%)	39 (12.7)	52 (17.0)		
Median OS (95% CI), months	8.6 (7.1, 9.4)	7.6 (6.6, 8.2)	HR : 0.967 (0.815, 1.148)	0.7032
Mean OS, months	10.6	9.9		



### **Overall Survival – Stratification factors**

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## **Safety Summary**

Hematological	Lurbinectedin+DOX (n=303)	Control (n=289)	
	Grade ≥3	Grade ≥3	p-value
Anaemia	44 (14.5)	90 (31.1)	< 0.0001
Neutropenia	112 (37.0)	200 (69.2)	<0.0001
Febrile neutropenia	12 (4.0)	24 (8.3)	0.0377
Thrombocytopenia	42 (13.9)	90 (31.1)	<0.0001

Non hematological	Lurbinectedin+DOX (n=303)	Control (n=289)	
	Grade ≥3	Grade ≥3	p-value
ALT increased	6 (2.0)	3 (1.0)	0.5057
AP increased	2 (0.7)	3 (1.0)	0.6783
AST increased	7 (2.3)	4 (1.4)	0.5463
Fatigue	26 (8.6)	31 (10.7)	0.4051
Nausea	6 (2.0)	4 (1.4)	0.7525
Vomiting	4 (1.3)	0	0.1242

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	Lurbinectedin+DOX (n=303) n (%)	Control (n=289) n (%)
Any AE treatment-related	268 (88.4)	266 (92.0)
Any grade ≥3 AE	143 (47.2)	218 (75.4)
Any grade 4 AE	49 (16.2)	158 (54.7)
Any grade ≥3 SAE	38 (12.5)	83 (28.7)
Death associated with AEs	1 ( 0.3)	10 ( 3.5)
Treatment discontinuations associated with AEs	23 ( 7.6)	45 (15.6)
Delays associated with AEs	79 (26.1)	99 (34.3)
Reductions associated with AEs	66 (21.8)	138 (47.8)

# First-line nivolumab + ipilimumab + chemotherapy in patients with advanced NSCLC and brain metastases: results from CheckMate 9LA

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# CheckMate 9LA<sup>a,b</sup> study design and analysis population



• OS

- PFS per BICR
- ORR per BICR

- Systemic<sup>e</sup> efficacy and safety in patients with or without brain metastases at baseline
- Intracranial<sup>f</sup> efficacy in patients with brain metastases at baseline

#### Database lock: February 18, 2021; minimum / median follow-up for OS: 24.4 months / 30.7 months

<sup>a</sup>NCT03215706; <sup>b</sup>Patients were treated until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or for 2 years for immunotherapy; <sup>c</sup>Off corticosteroids, or on a stable or decreasing dose of  $\leq$  10 mg daily prednisone (or equivalent) for  $\geq$  2 weeks before first treatment; <sup>d</sup>NSQ: pemetrexed + cisplatin or carboplatin; SQ: paclitaxel + carboplatin; <sup>e</sup>Systemic efficacy was assessed by BICR per RECIST v1.1 criteria based on all lesions; <sup>f</sup>Intracranial efficacy was assessed by BICR per modified RECIST v1.1 (adapted for brain metastases) based on brain lesions.

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# OS: NIVO + IPI + chemo vs chemo<sup>a</sup>



#### Minimum follow-up: 24.4 months.

<sup>a</sup>Patients with brain metastases at baseline: subsequent radiotherapy was received by 18% (NIVO + IPI + chemo) and 20% (chemo); subsequent systemic therapy by 29% and 34%; subsequent immunotherapy by 4% and 26%; subsequent chemo by 29% and 14%, respectively. Patients without brain metastases at baseline: subsequent radiotherapy was received by 14% (NIVO + IPI + chemo) and 14% (chemo); subsequent systemic therapy by 34% and 47%; subsequent immunotherapy by 8% and 37%; subsequent chemo by 32% and 25%, respectively; <sup>b</sup>95% CI = 12.3-23.9 (NIVO + IPI + chemo) and 4.7-9.7 (chemo); <sup>c</sup>95% CI = 13.8-19.4 (NIVO + IPI + chemo) and 10.2-13.7 (chemo).

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# ATEZO-BRAIN (GECP 17/05): NON-RANDOMIZED PHASE II CLINICAL TRIAL OF ATEZOLIZUMAB COMBINED WITH CARBOPLATIN PLUS PEMETREXED IN CHEMOTHERAPY-NAÏVE PATIENTS WITH ADVANCED NON-SQUAMOUS NSCLC WITH UNTREATED BRAIN METASTASES

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### **ATEZO-BRAIN** Trial Design

#### Single arm phase II clinical trial

**Key Elegibility Criteria:** Stage IV non-squamous NSCLC Untreated brain metastases Treatment naïve EGFR/ALK negative, any PD-L1 ECOG PS 0-1 Anticonvulsivants and dexamethasone  $\leq$  4 mg gd allowed Measurable systemic and brain lesion/s

Carboplatin (5 AUCs) + Pemetrexed 500mg/m<sup>2</sup> + Atezolizumab 1200mg Q3W for 4-6 cycles

Pemetrexed 500mg/m2 + Atezolizumab 1200mg Q3W until tumor progression (\*), unacceptable toxicity or 2 years

Tumor evaluation by body CT scan and brain MRI Q6W until the 12th week and thereafter Q9W until PD

(\*) If exclusive CNS PD, patients could continue on study after brain RT

#### **Co-primary endpoint:**

Safety

#### Secondary endpoint:

- Response rate. DoR
- Investigator-based PFS by RECIST v1.1 & RANO-BM
- - **Overall Survival**
- QoL, neurocognitive function
- Time to brain radiotherapy ٠

#### **Exploratory endpoint:**

To identify neuroimaging (MRI) and blood biomarkers predicting response or resistance

## **Primary Endpoint: Systemic and Intracranial PFS**



# **Secondary Endpoints: Response Rate and Overall Survival**

	Best Intracranial Response (RANO-BM)	Best Systemic Response (RECIST v1.1)
CR	4 (10%)	0
PR	12 (30%)	19 (47.5%)
SD	19 (47.5%)	16 (40%)
PD	4 (10%)	3 (7.5%)
NE	1 (2.5%)	2 (5%)
ORR	16 (40%)	19 (47.5%)

Only 4 patients had discordance among systemic and CNS response:

- 2 with PD in body and SD in brain
- 2 with PD in brain and PR in body

#### 1.0 0.8 Survival probability 0.6 0.4 0.2 0.0 39 37 30 25 20 18 5 2 2 0 3 6 9 12 15 21 24 18 Time (Months) Median OS = 13.6 (95% CI 9.7 – NR) 2y OS rate = 32%

**Overall Survival** 

# Conclusions



- Chemotherapy with durvalumab and tremelimumab will likely become available as a first-line option
- Role of lurbinectedin in doubt
- Chemotherapy and immunotherapy safe and active in patients with brain metastases