

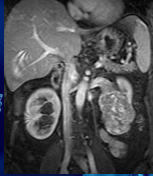
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RENAL CELL CARCINOMA

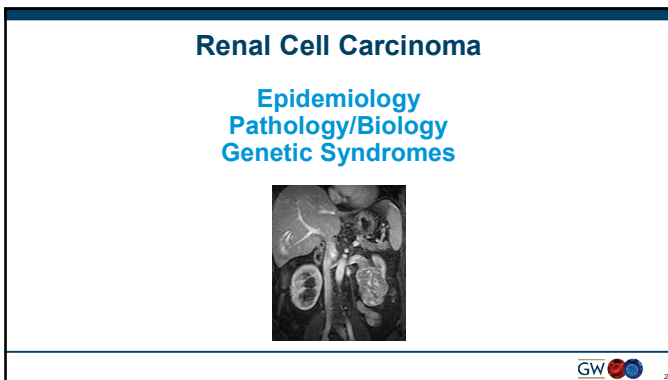
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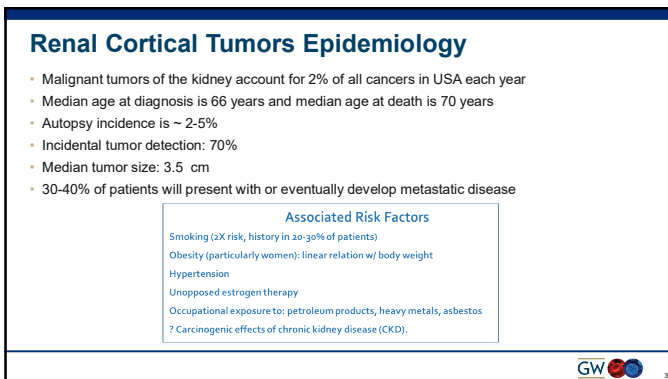


Renal Cell Carcinoma

Epidemiology Pathology/Biology Genetic Syndromes



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Renal Cortical Tumors Epidemiology

- Malignant tumors of the kidney account for 2% of all cancers in USA each year
- Median age at diagnosis is 66 years and median age at death is 70 years
- Autopsy incidence is ~ 2-5%
- Incidental tumor detection: 70%
- Median tumor size: 3.5 cm
- 30-40% of patients will present with or eventually develop metastatic disease

Associated Risk Factors


- Smoking (2X risk, history in 20-30% of patients)
- Obesity (particularly women): linear relation w/ body weight
- Hypertension
- Unopposed estrogen therapy
- Occupational exposure to: petroleum products, heavy metals, asbestos
- ? Carcinogenic effects of chronic kidney disease (CKD).

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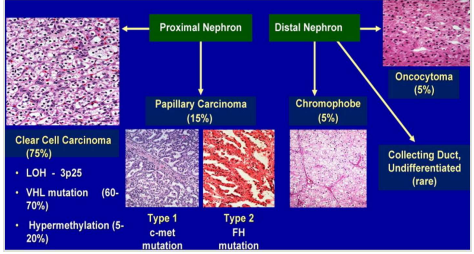
Renal Cortical Tumors:

- Malignant Parenchymal Neoplasms**
 - Conventional (Clear Cell)
 - Papillary
 - Chromophobe
 - Collecting duct carcinoma
 - Medullary carcinoma of the kidney
 - Unclassified
- Benign Parenchymal Neoplasms**
 - Metanephric Adenoma
 - Metanephric adenofibroma
 - Papillary renal cell adenoma
 - Renal Oncocytoma
- Benign renal masses:** angiomyolipoma, hemorrhagic cyst, cystic nephroma, AVM, leiomyoma, oncocytoma
- Other malignant renal tumors:** UC of renal pelvis; Wilm's tumor (children and adults); metastatic tumors (rare); renal or peri-renal sarcoma; lymphoma

Kovacs, G., Akhtar, M., and Beckwith, B. J.: The Heidelberg Classification of renal cell tumors. J Pathol, 183: 131, 1997



Genetic Findings in RCC Subtypes




Proximal Nephron → Clear Cell Carcinoma (78%)
 • LOH - 3p25
 • VHL mutation (60-70%)
 • Hypermethylation (5-20%)

Distal Nephron → Papillary Carcinoma (15%)
 • Type 1 c-met mutation

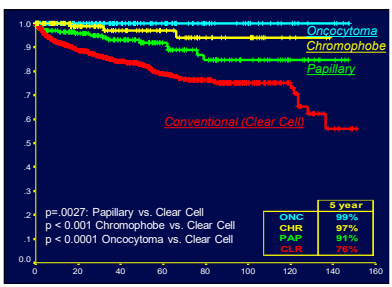
Distal Nephron → Chromophobe (5%)
 • Type 2 FH mutation

Distal Nephron → Oncocytoma (5%)

Distal Nephron → Collecting Duct, Undifferentiated (rare)




Progression Free Probability by Histological Subtype



5 year

ONG	99%
CHR	97%
PAP	81%
CLR	75%


p=0.027: Papillary vs. Clear Cell
 p < 0.001 Chromophobe vs. Clear Cell
 p < 0.0001 Oncocytoma vs. Clear Cell



Genetic Findings in RCT Subtypes


Histological Subtype	%	Genetic/Molecular Defects	Associated Syndromes
Conventional Clear Cell	75	LOH 3p Mutation of 3p25 (VHL)	Von Hippel-Lindau Sporadic RCC Hereditary RCC
Papillary 1	5	C-Met Gene mutation 7q31	Hereditary Papillary (HPRCC)
Papillary 2	10	Fumarate hydratase 1q42	Sporadic Papillary
Chromophobe	5	Birt-Hogg Dube 17p11	Birt-Hogg Dube
Oncocytoma	9.7	Birt-Hogg Dube 17p11	Familial Oncocytoma Birt-Hogg Dube
Collecting Duct	0.4	-18, -Y	Renal Medullary Carcinoma

*Zambrano N. Histopathology and Molecular Genetics of Renal Tumors. J. Urol, Oct 1999




Von Hippel Lindau Syndrome

- Autosomal dominant mutation in 3p25 (VHL)
- 40% VHL patients have RCC with retinal and CNS findings usually preceding discovery of renal involvement
- Multicentric, bilateral renal involvement in ~ 75% patients
- MSKCC: 5 VHL patients / 2002 RCC patients operated on between 1989 and 2005
- Renal cancer and renal insufficiency are now the leading cause of death in VHL




Von Hippel Lindau Syndrome

- VHL: Familial multiple cancer syndrome
 - Hemangiomas
 - Hemangioblastomas (brain, spinal cord, retina)
 - Pheochromocytomas
 - Pancreatic carcinomas
 - Epididymal cysts
 - RCC (40% of VHL patients)
 - Renal cysts multiple/bilateral (49-85%)



Birt-Hogg-Dubé Syndrome (BHD)

- Hereditary hair follicle tumors located on face and neck
- Kidney tumors of multiple tumor histologies develop in 20-30% of patients (chromophobe commonest)
- Bilateral, multi-focal renal tumors (chromophobe, oncocytoma, clear cell)
- Lung cysts occur in 90%
- Spontaneous pneumothorax (20%)
- Genetic linkage analysis places the BHD on chromosome 17
- FLCN gene (folliculin- ?tumor suppressor)

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Birt-Hogg-Dubé Syndrome



BHDSyndrome.org; Courtesy of Urologic Oncology Branch, NCI, NIH

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Hereditary Syndromes: Clinical Features

Hereditary Papillary Renal Cell Carcinoma (HPRC)

- Risk of bilateral, multifocal papillary RCC
- Patients develop papillary RCC (type 1)
- Mutations in c-MET

Hereditary Leiomyomatosis Renal Cell Carcinoma (HLRCC)

- Uterine leiomyomas (more common) or leiomyosarcoma (rare)
- Cutaneous nodules (leiomyomas)
- Type 2 papillary RCC, frequently solitary, aggressive
- Germline mutation in gene recently identified is fumarate hydratase (FH) codes for a Krebs cycle enzyme

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Cutaneous Leiomyomas
Found on both extremity and trunk Isolated or disseminated in distribution- May be painful



<http://www.vhl.org/htrcc>




**When to refer for Genetic Counseling?
ACMG Practice Guidelines**

- RCC with clear cell histology, if any of the following criteria are met:
 - dx at age <50
 - bilateral or multifocal tumors
 - ≥1 close relative with clear cell RCC
- RCC with papillary type 1 histology
- RCC with papillary type 2 histology
- RCC with collecting duct histology
- RCC with tubulopapillary histology
- RCC with BHD-related histology (chromophobe, oncocytoma, oncocytic hybrid)
- Urothelial carcinoma (or transitional cell carcinoma) and 2 additional cases of any LS-associated cancer (Table 6) in the same person or in relatives
- RCC and 2 additional Cowden syndrome criteria (Table 4) in the same person
- Angiomyolipomas of the kidney and one additional TSC criterion (Table 8) in the same person

VHL, OMIM 193300; BHD, OMIM 135150
HPRC, OMIM 605074
HLRCC, OMIM 605839, 150800
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BHD, OMIM 135150
LS, OMIM 120435, 120436
Cowden, OMIM 158350
TSC, OMIM 191100



OMIM - Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man
<https://www.omim.org>

Hampel et al. *Genetics in Medicine* 2014



Renal Cell Carcinoma


Staging and Prognosis
Surgical Concepts
Peri-operative Therapy

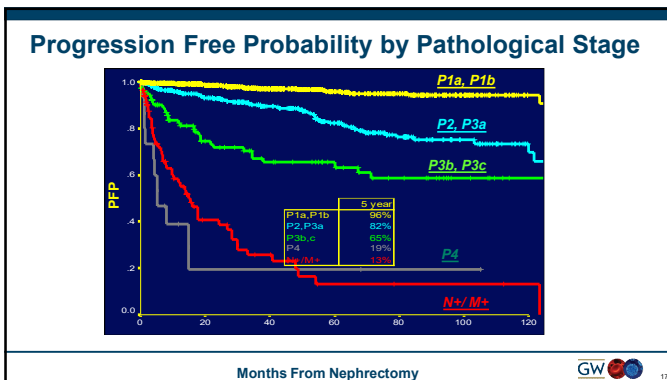


Renal Cell Carcinoma Primary Tumor (T) AJCC/UICC Staging

- pTx Primary tumor cannot be assessed
- pT0 No evidence of primary tumor
- pT1 Tumor 7 cm or less confined to kidney
 - pT1a 4 cm or less
 - pT1b > 4 cm but not greater than 7 cm
- pT2 > 7 cm but confined to kidney
- pT3 Tumor involves major veins, adrenal, or perinephric tissue but not beyond Gerota's fascia
 - pT3a adrenal or perinephric tissue
 - pT3b renal vein or vena cava below diaphragm
 - pT3c vena cava above diaphragm
- pT4 Beyond Gerota's fascia


TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, Sixth Ed, UICC, 2002 p. 193 – 196.





Changing Landscape Leads to Expansion in Partial Nephrectomy

- 70% of tumors now discovered incidentally
- New concerns for long term renal health of patients subjected to radical nephrectomy
- Partial nephrectomy is equally effective to radical nephrectomy for tumors of 7cm or less
- Small but real risk (5%) of contralateral tumor formation in patient's lifetime



Disease-Free Survival Partial and Radical Nephrectomy: Tumors 4cm or less

Expansion of Surgery to Partial Nephrectomy

Conventional (Clear Cell) tumors 4 to 7cm in greatest diameter.

McKlellan et al. *Urology* 59:816-820, 2002
 Cash et al. *BJU*, 97:938, 2006

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Impact on Renal Function Partial compared to Radical Nephrectomy (N=662)

Figure 2: Probability of freedom from new onset of GFR lower than 60 mL/min per 1.72 m², by operation type

Number at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10
Partial nephrectomy	207	134	62	23	11	6
Radical nephrectomy	204	99	43	20	12	0

Figure 3: Probability of freedom from new onset of GFR lower than 45 mL/min per 1.72 m², by operation type

Number at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10
Partial nephrectomy	395	187	84	33	13	6
Radical nephrectomy	262	130	86	56	33	21

Huang et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2006; 7: 735-40

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RCC: Adjuvant Trials Seeking Benefit

Historic Trials	Number	Benefit?
IFN vs Surveillance	264	No
IFN vs Surveillance	270	No
IFN vs Surveillance	283	No
HD-IL-2 vs surveillance	69	No
IL-2, IFN & 5-FU vs surveillance	200	No
IL-2, IFN & 5-FU vs surveillance	309	No
HSP vaccine vs surveillance	818	No

Adjuvant Randomized Phase III trials with modern TKI's:

- S-TRAC – Sunitinib- FDA approved based on benefit
- ASSURE – Sorafenib vs Sunitinib vs placebo - NB
- PROTECT – Pazopanib- NB
- ATLAS – Axitinib–terminated early by DSMC-NB (Annals Oncol 2018)
- SORCE – Sorafenib- no benefit (1 yr vs 3 yrs vs surveillance) (ESMO 2019)


Adjuvant Randomized Phase III trials with Checkpoint Blockade Inhibition

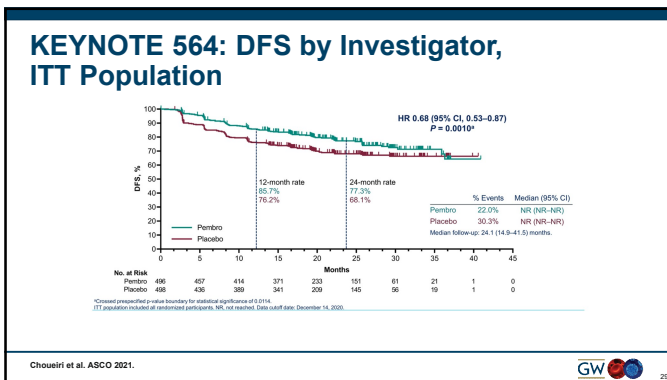
- Keynote 564 – Pembrolizumab (1 yr) vs Placebo - Benefit

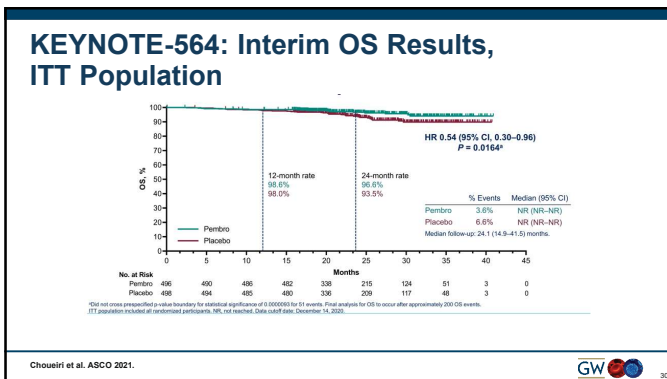
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KEYNOTE-564: Pre-specified Disease Risk Categories

Intermediate-High Risk		High Risk		M1 NED
pT2	pT3	pT4	Any pT	NED after resection of oligometastatic sites ≤1 year from nephrectomy
Grade 4 or sarcomatoid	Any grade	Any grade	Any grade	
N0	N0	N0	N+	
M0	M0	M0	M0	

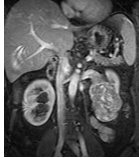
Choueiri et al. ASCO 2021. 






Renal Cell Carcinoma Advanced Disease Management

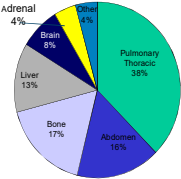
Metastasectomy
Nephrectomy in metastatic disease
Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors



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Metastatic RCC


**Patterns of Metastases:
Organ Sites**



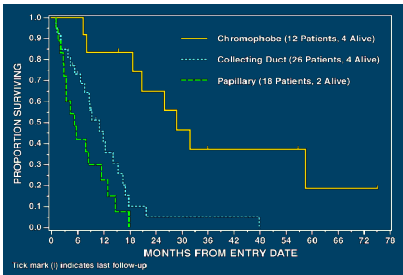
**Prognostic Factors:
Cytokine era, Prior to TKI's**

	p-value	Risk Ratio
LDH (>1.5 x nl)	0.00001	2.5
Hemoglobin (< Normal)	0.00001	1.7
Corrected Calcium (>10)	0.00001	1.7
Karnofsky Perf. Status (< 80)	0.00001	1.5
Nephrectomy (None)	0.001	1.4


J Clin Oncol 17: 2530, 1999

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Non-Clear Cell Histology: Survival by Cell Type



Motzer et al. J Clin Oncol. 2002; 20:2376-81.

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Renal Cell Carcinoma Surgical Resection of Metastasis

- 278 Patients with recurrent RCC 1980-1993
 - 141 (51%) underwent curative metastasectomy
 - 70 (25%) underwent non-curative resection
 - 67 (24%) received non-surgical treatment
- Variables:
 - Site and number of metastatic deposits
 - Performance status of the patient
 - Disease-free interval from treatment of primary tumor to diagnosis of metastatic disease

Kavolus et al. J Clin Oncol. 1998 16:2261-6. GW

Renal Cell Carcinoma Surgical Resection of Metastasis

Surgical Resection (n=141)		Five-year Survival
Non-curative		14%
Curative intent		44%
Solitary (n=94)		
Lung Only		50%
Brain		18%
Non-surgical therapy (n=67)		11%
Prognostic factors		
DFI > 12 ms		55% vs 9%
Solitary vs multiple		54% vs 29%
Age < 60 yrs		49 vs 35%

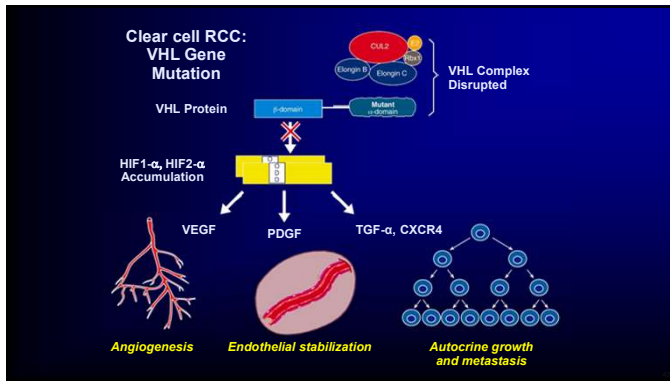
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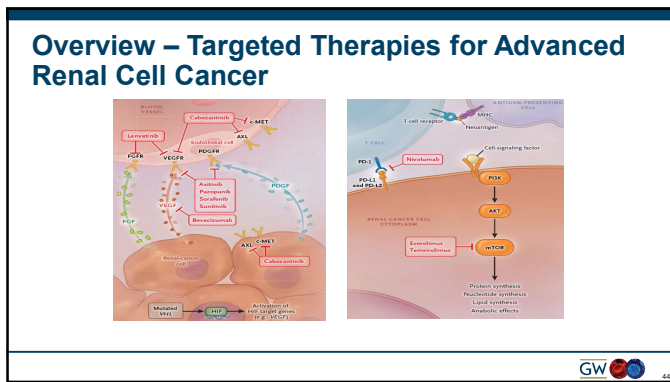
Debulking Nephrectomy: Prospective trial of Pre-treatment Nx from the cytokine era

Cytoreductive Nephrectomy Plus Interferon- α 2b Versus Interferon α 2b Alone

Q	N	Number of patients at risk
0	141	161
2	46	13
4	9	3
6	3	0
8	0	0
10	0	0

Flanigan et al. J Urol. 2004;171:1071-1076. GW



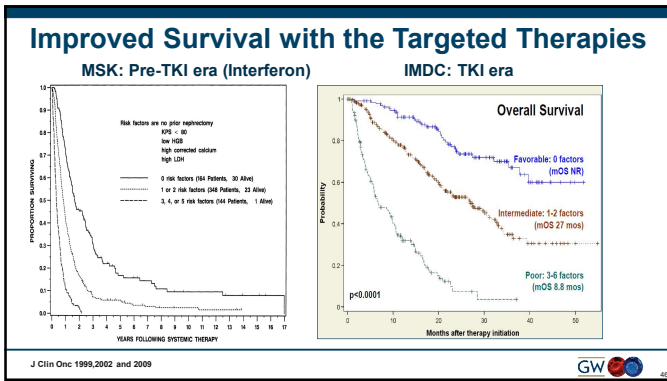


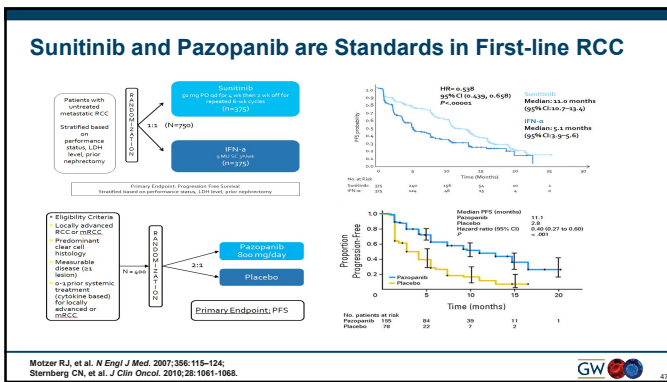
Poor Risk Factors in Advanced Untreated RCC

MSKCC Criteria		IMDC Criteria	
Karnofsky Performance Status	<80%	Karnofsky Performance Status	<80%
Time from diagnosis to treatment with IFN-α	<12 months	Time from diagnosis to treatment with TKI	<12 months
Hemoglobin	<LLR	Hemoglobin	<LLR
LDH	>1.5 x ULR	Neutrophils	> ULR
Corrected serum calcium	>10.0 mg/dL	Platelets	> ULR
		Corrected serum calcium	>10.0 mg/dL

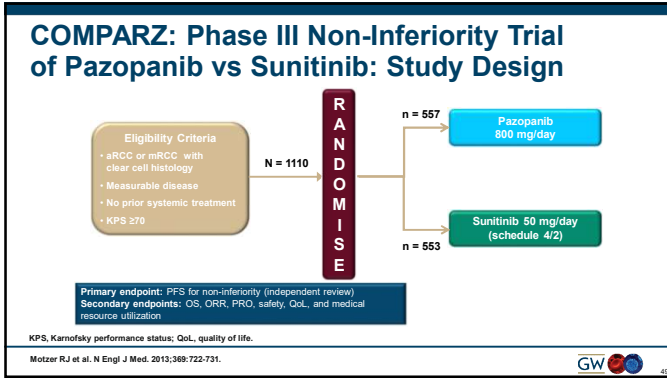
Risk Group by No. of Risk Factors	
Favorable	0
Intermediate	1 or 2
Poor	3-5

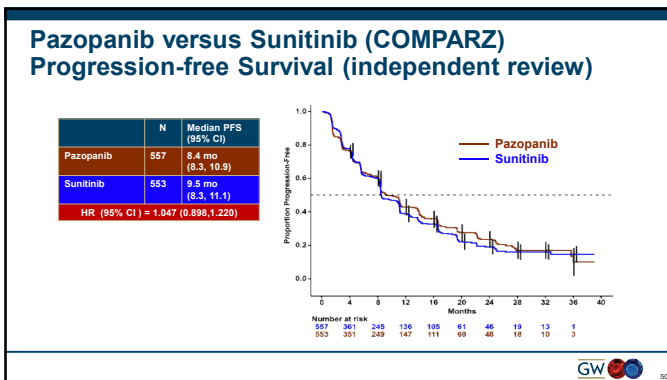
IFN = interferon; KPS = Karnofsky PS; LDH = lactate dehydrogenase; LLR = lower limit of laboratory's reference range; MSKCC = Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center; ULR = upper limit of laboratory's reference range; IMDC (International Metastatic RCC Database Consortium)





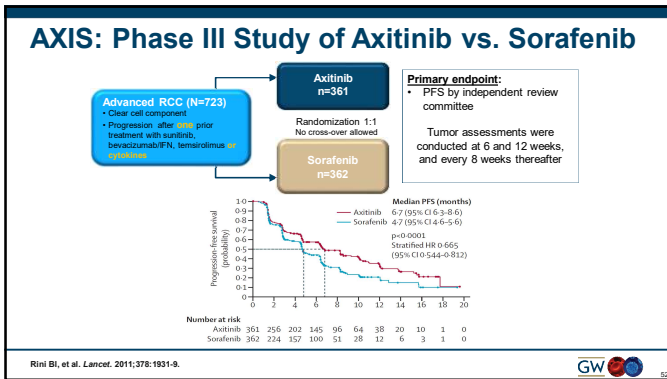


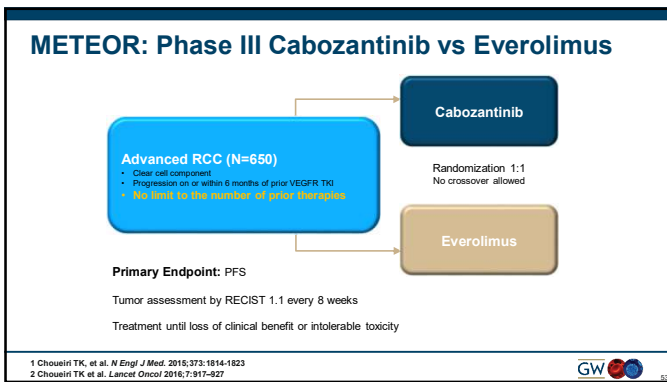


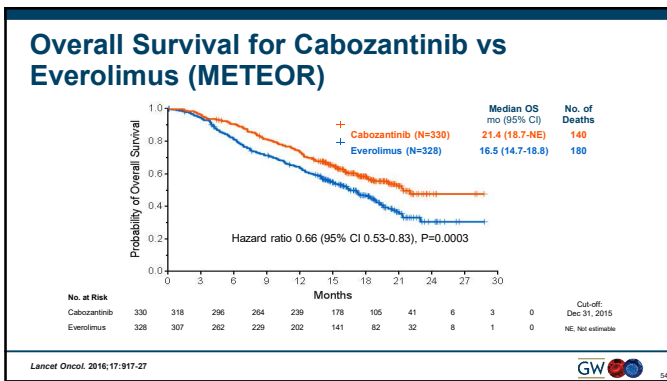


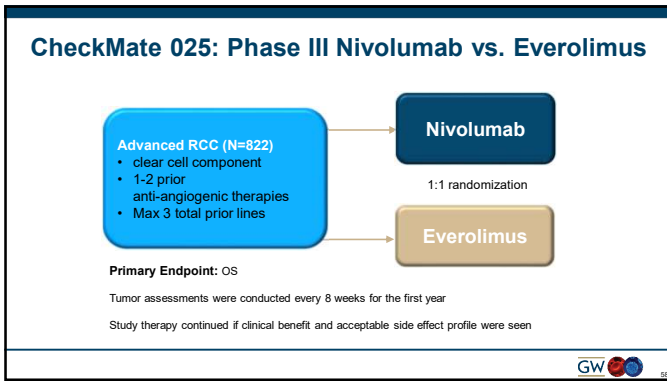
2nd Line Therapy after initial TKI Treatment

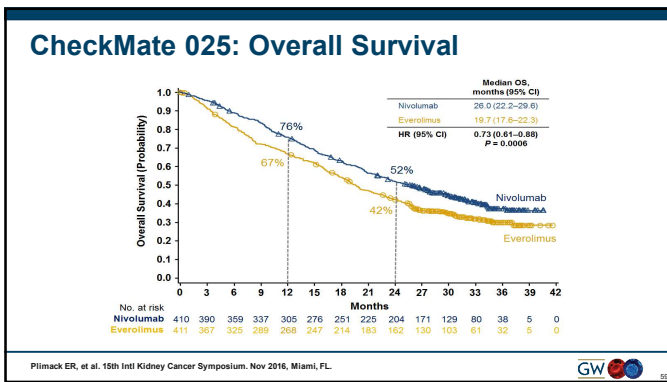
Axitinib
 Cabozantinib
 Lenvatinib + Everolimus
 Nivolumab

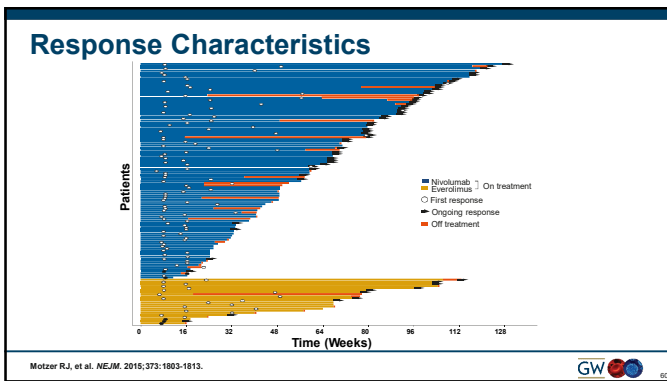


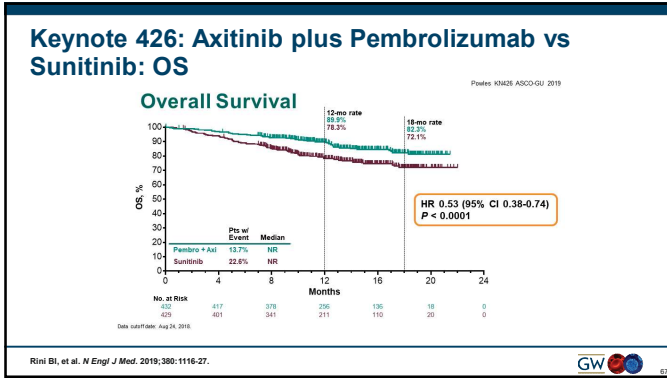


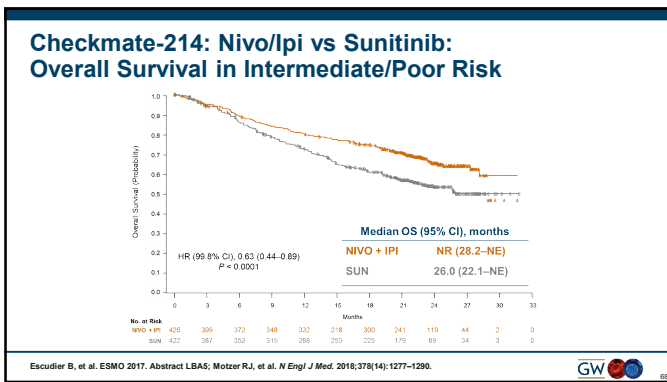










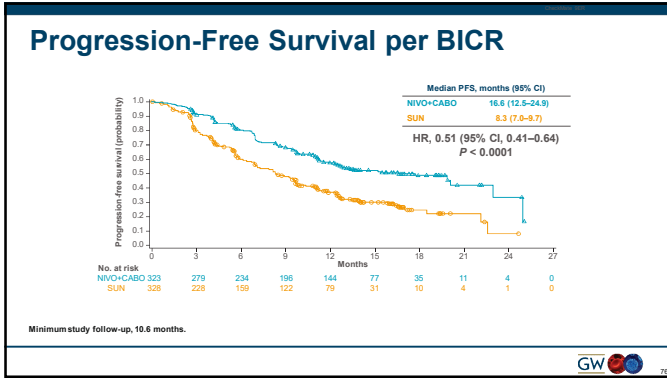


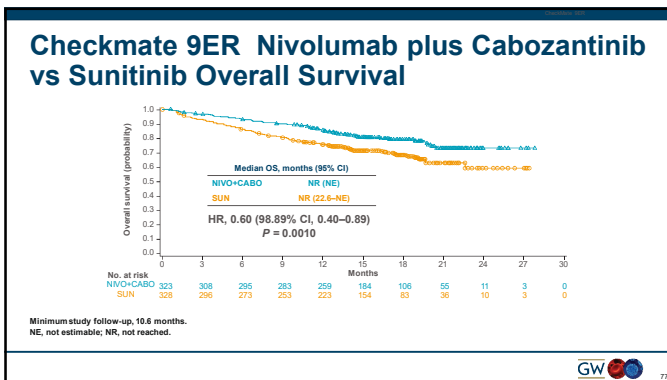
Patients With Intermediate-/Poor-Risk mRCC

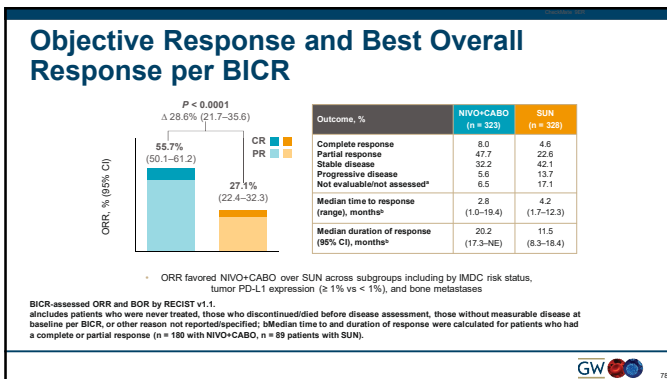
Keynote 426 ¹	Intermediate/Poor Risk		CheckMate 214 ²	Intermediate/Poor Risk	
	Pembro+Axii (n=294)	Sunitinib (n=238)		Nivo+Ipi (n=425)	Sunitinib (n=422)
ORR*	55.8%	29.5%	42%	27%	
P value	-	-	<0.001	1%	
CR	4.8%	0.7%	9%	8.4	
Median PFS, months	12.6	8.2	11.6	8.2 (0.64-1.05)	
Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	0.67 (0.53-0.85)	-	0.82 (0.64-1.05)	-	
P value	-	-	0.03	-	
12-month OS	87%	71%	80%	72%	
Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	0.52 (0.37-0.74)	-	0.63 (0.44-0.89)	-	
P value	-	-	<0.001	-	

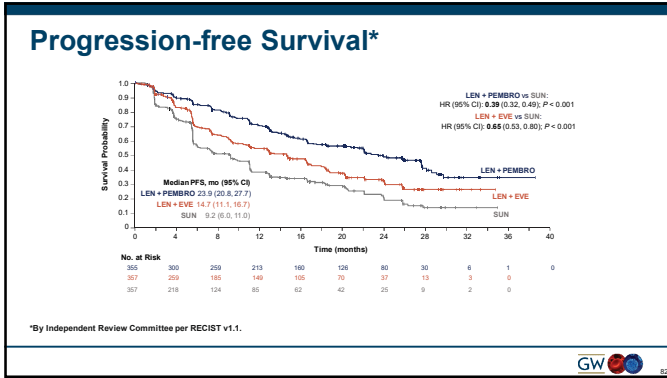
*Per blinded independent radiology review committee by RECIST version 1.1.
 Pembro+Axii=Pembrolizumab + axitinib; Nivo+Ipi=Nivolumab + ipilimumab; ORR=Objective response rate;
 CR=Complete response; PFS=Progression-free survival; CI=Confidence interval; OS=Overall survival.

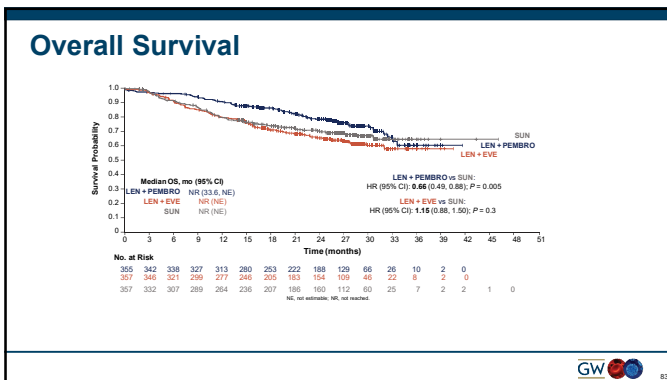
1. Rini BI, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2019;380:1116-1127; 2. Motzer RJ, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2016;378(14):1277-1290. GW











Confirmed Objective Response Rate*

	LEN + PEMBRO (n = 355)	LEN + EVE (n = 357)	SUN (n = 357)
Objective response rate (95% CI) — %	71.0 (66.3–75.7)	53.5 (48.3–58.7)	36.1 (31.2–41.1)
Best overall response — %			
Complete response	16.1	9.8	4.2
Partial response	54.9	43.7	31.9
Stable disease	19.2	33.6	38.1
Progressive disease	5.4	7.3	14.0
Unknown / not evaluable	4.5	5.6	11.8
Relative risk versus SUN (95% CI)	1.97 (1.69–2.29)	1.48 (1.26–1.74)	—
P-value	< 0.001	< 0.001	—

*By Independent Review Committee per RECIST v1.1.

