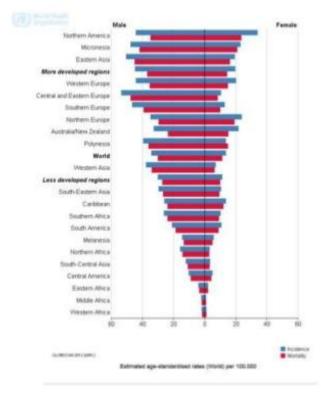
# La nuova terapia immunologica per combattere il tumore al polmone

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#### Global Lung Cancer Incidence and Mortality



Most common cancer worldwide

1.6 million deaths in 2012

Fifty eight percent of new cases in underdeveloped regions

Highest incidence and mortality in men

- · Central and Eastern Europe
- Eastern Asia

Women have lower incidence and mortality

- Highest in North America cultural differences in smoking prevalence
- Lag in when women started smoking

1/4/2014 ..

http://globocan.iarc.fr/Pages/fact\_sheets\_cancer.aspx

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In Italia circa 42000 nuovi casi all' anno



#### "MUTATED" MAINLY NEVER SMOKERS

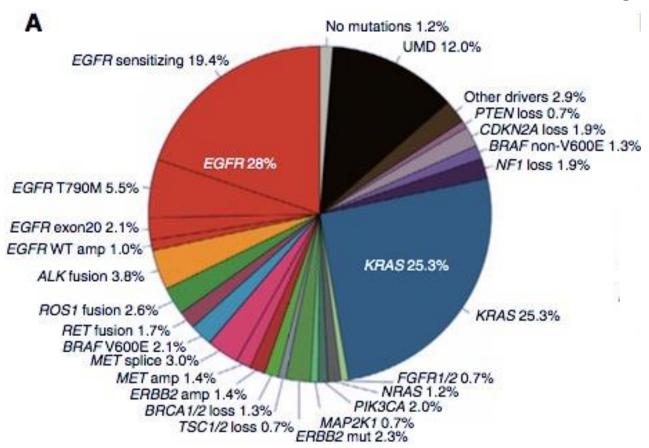
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#### "WILD TYPE" MAINLY SMOKERS

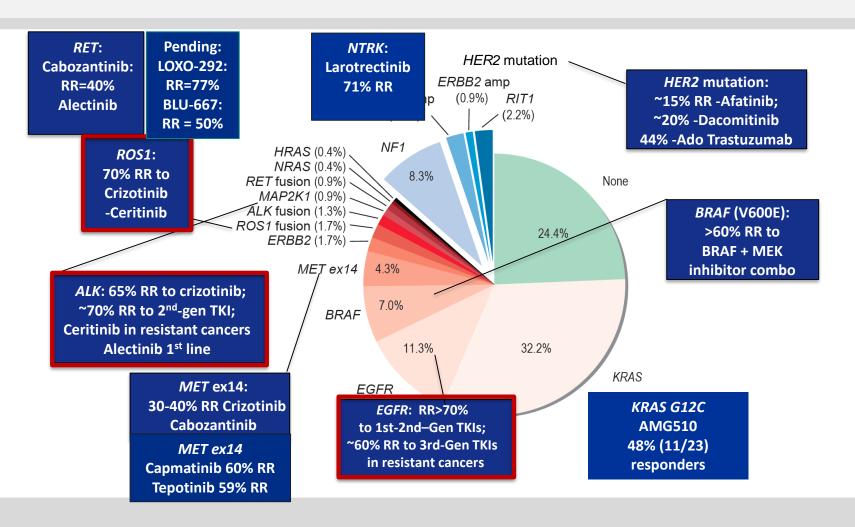
IMMUNOTHERAPY CHEMOTHERAPY

#### Molecular alterations in lung adenocarcinoma



Jordan EJ, et al. Cancer Discovery 2017

#### **Growing Number of Oncogene-driven NSCLCs with Active Targeted Therapies**



## STORIA MOLTO BELLA E LUNGA....

## William Coley (1862-1936)

1891: William Coley (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center-MSKCC, NY). Used the Coley toxin containing live or inactivated bacteria like Serratia Marcescens and Streptococcus pyogenes to treat over 1000 sarcoma patients by intratumor injections. Reproducibility was limited but some patients showed a benefit

## Albert Calmette (1863-1933) and Camille Guèrin (1872-1961)

BCG is a vaccine used to prevent tuberculosis (TB). Is composed of mycobacterium Bovis that causes inflammation-dependen immunotherapy of superficial bladder cancer; it has been used for over 30 years. The most effective immunotherapy against a human tumor (ladder)

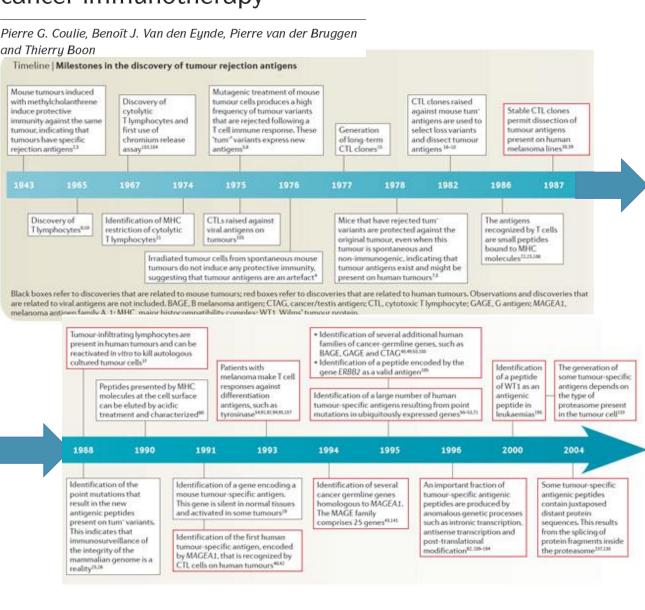
### Paul Ehrlich (1854-1905)

Microbiologo tedesco (fondatore della chemioterapia) 1900: suggerisce che alcune molecole all'interno dell'organismo possono essere in grado di combattere i tumori

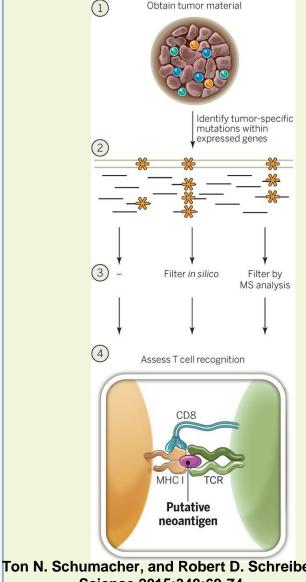
## Frank Macfarlane Burnet (1899-1989)

Suggerisce che le cellule tumorali possono causare una risposta immunitaria in grado di distruggere il tumore senza alcuna manifestazione clinica (1957: teoria dell'Immunosorveglianza)

## Tumour antigens recognized by T lymphocytes: at the core of cancer immunotherapy



### Cancer exome-based identification of neoantigens



Science 2015;348:69-74



# The Rapid Pace of Cancer Immunotherapy Research



BREAKTHROUGH OF THE YEAR Cancer Immunotherapy











From the breakthrough of year 2013 for *Nature* and *Science* to the inspiration of the moonshot project for next generation immunotherapy

# Escape from immune control is a hallmark of cancer

### **Elimination**

#### Cancer immunosurveillance

- Effective antigen processing/presentation
- Effective activation and function of effector cells
  - e.g. T cell activation without co-inhibitory signals

### **Equilibrium**

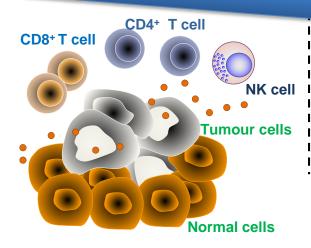
#### Cancer dormancy

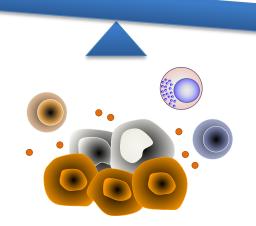
- Genetic instability
- Tumour heterogeneity
- Immune selection

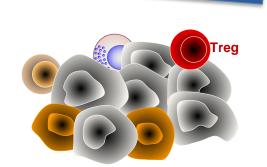
### **Escape**

#### Cancer progression

- Tumours avoid elimination through the outgrowth of tumour cells that can suppress, disrupt or 'escape' the immune system
- Reduced immunogenicity







NK = natural killer; Treg = regulatory T cells. Vesely M and Schreiber R. *Ann N Y Acad Sci.* 2013;1284:1–5.

## Tumours use various mechanisms to escape the immune system

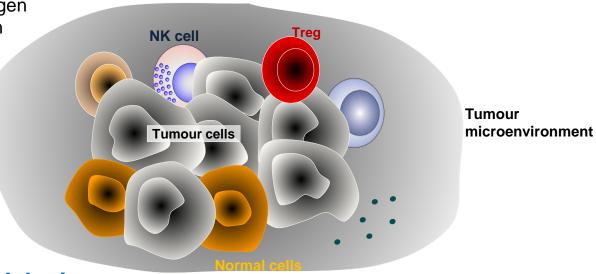
Immune escape mechanisms are complex and frequently overlapping

#### Ineffective presentation of tumour antigens<sup>1</sup>

e.g. down regulation of MHC I and

DC/APC defects in antigen processing/presentation

## Recruitment of immunosuppressive cell types<sup>1,2</sup> e.g. Tregs, MDSC, others



#### Inhibition of attack by immune cells<sup>1,2</sup>

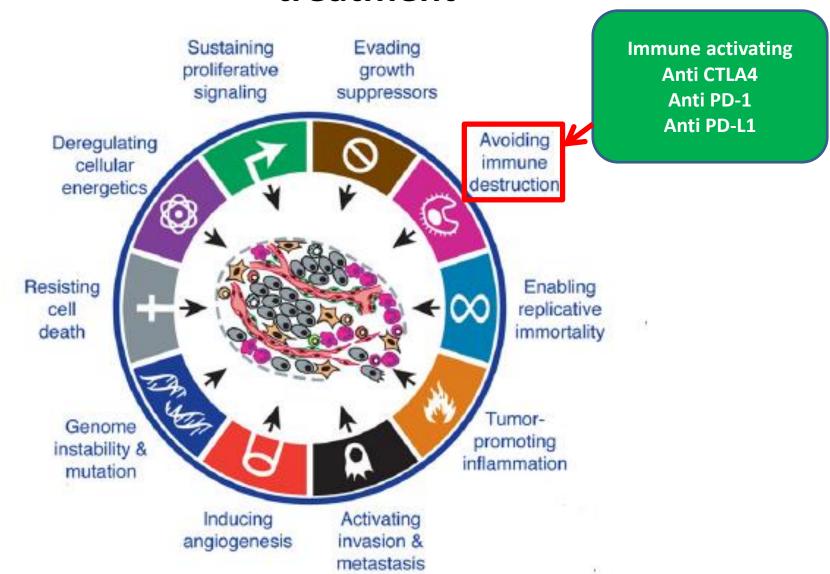
e.g. disruption of T cell-activating and checkpoint pathways (i.e. PD-1/PD-L1)

#### Secretion of immunosuppressive cytokines<sup>1,2</sup>

e.g. TGF-B, IDO, IL-10 inhibiting T cells directly

APC = antigen presenting cell; DC = dendritic cell; IDO = indoleamine 2,3-dioxygenase; IL-10 = Interleukin-10; MDSC = myeloid-derived suppressor cells; MHC = major histocompatibility complex; TGF-β = transforming growth factor-β.

# Immune evasion is an important target for cancer treatment



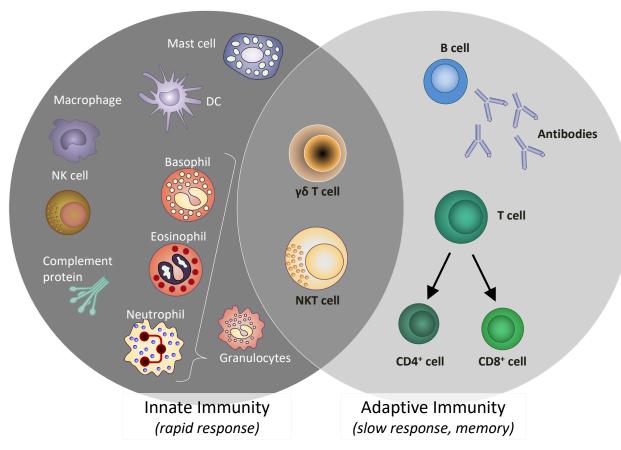
## Cells of the Immune System

Innate immune system: involving proteins (chemokines and cytokines) and cells, is considered to be the first line of immune defense and does not generate an

antigenspecific response<sup>1,2</sup>

**Adaptive immune** system: mediated by B and T cells is highly specific and capable of generating an antigenspecific response<sup>1,2</sup>

> Induction requires presentation of antigens by cells of the innate immune system

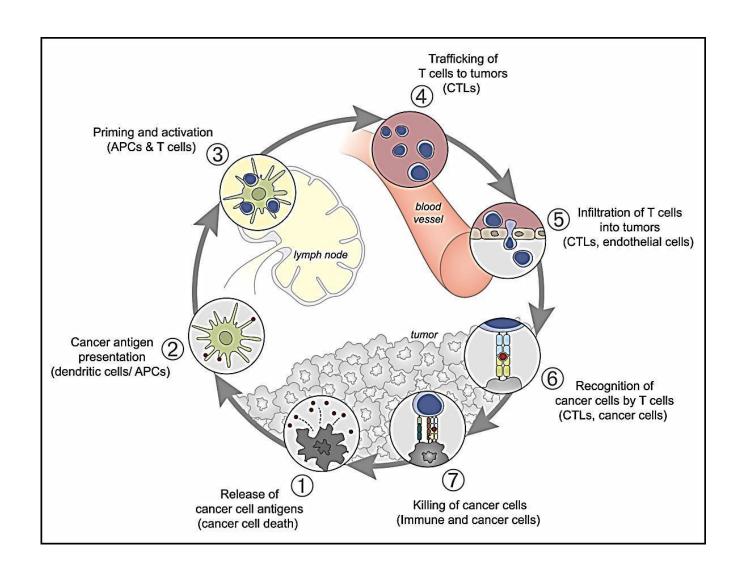


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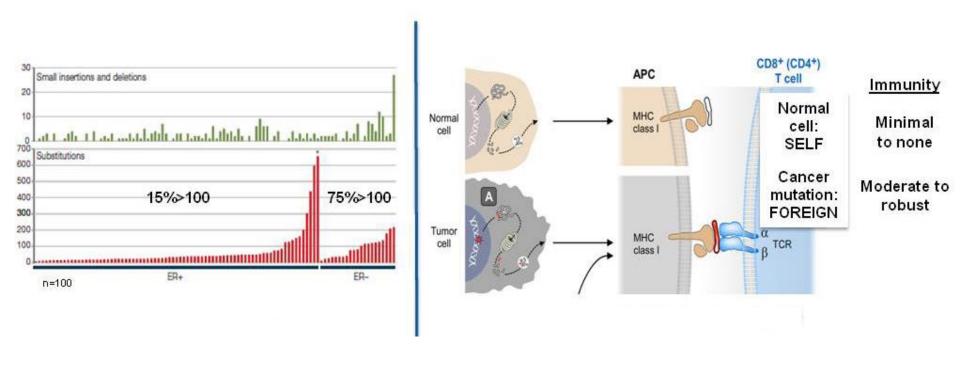
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6th ed. New York, NY: Garland Science; 2004

## The cycle of cancer immunity

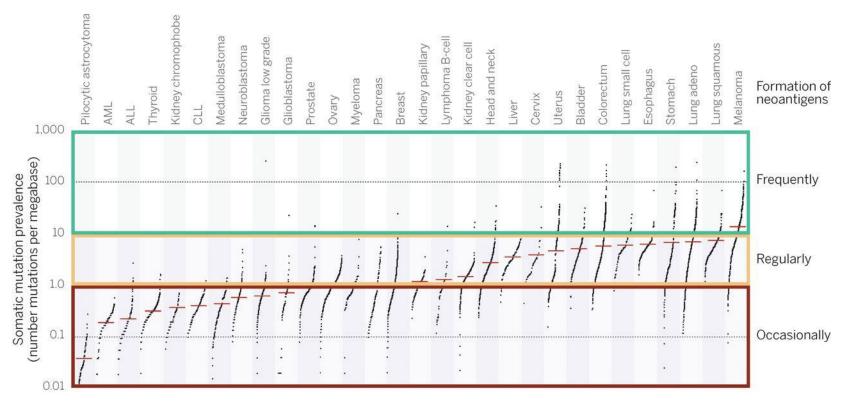


# **Mutational Load Creates Neoantigens**



## Mutational Heterogeneity in Cancer: Altered Proteins Contain Neo-Epitopes for Immune Recognition

Fig. 2 Estimate of the neoantigen repertoire in human cancer.

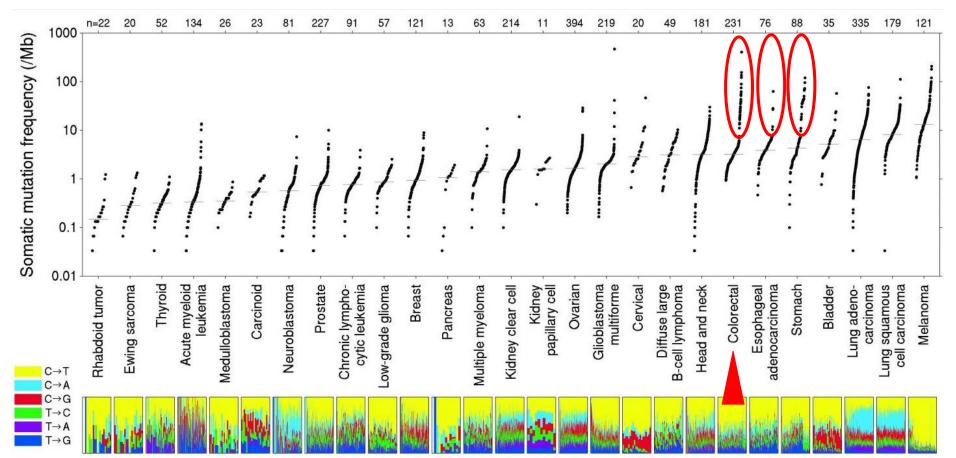


Does mutational load correlate with response to immune checkpoint blockade?

Ton N. Schumacher, and Robert D. Schreiber Science 2015;348:69-74



# Colorectal Cancers Are Generally Unresponsive to PD-1 Blockade, but the MSI-High Subset Has a High Mutational Load

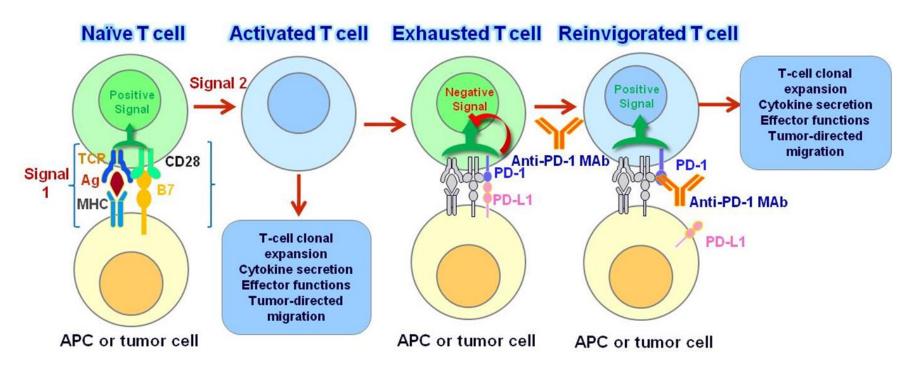


Lawrence MS, et al. Nature. 2013;499(7457):214-218.

Microsatellite instability (MSI): Genetic hypermutability resulting from deficient mismatch repair (dMMR), present in ~15% colon cancers and in some other tumor types

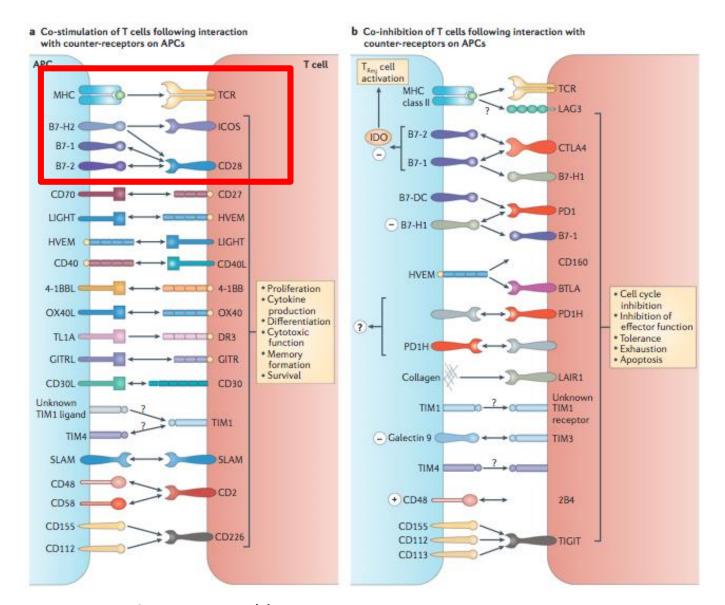
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# Segnali attivatori e inibitori

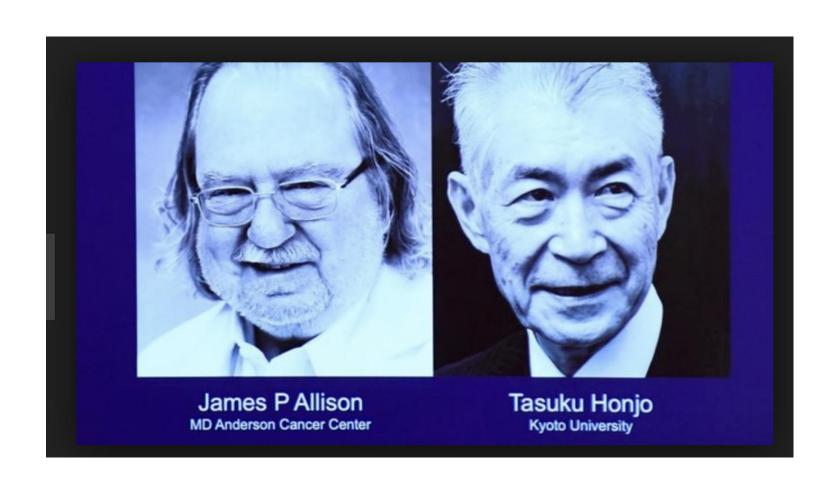


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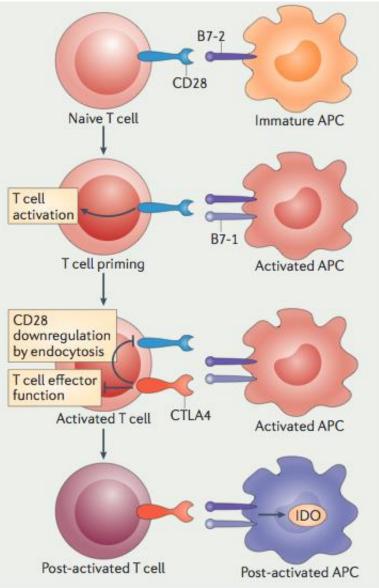
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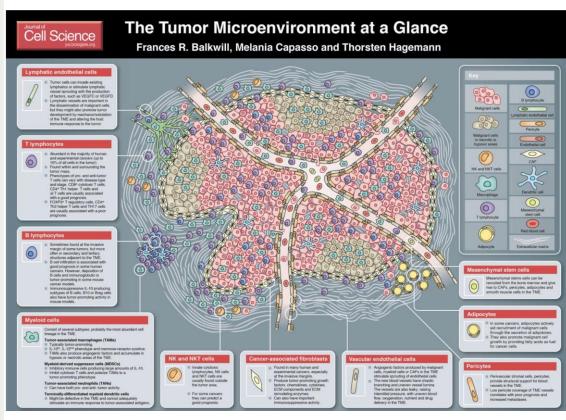


## **Nobel Prize 2018**



## Explanation of the Molecular Mechanisms of Checkpoint Inhibitors and Other Key Emerging Immunologic Strategies





## **FARMACI**

**ANTI PD-1** 

<u>Pembrolizumab</u>

<u>Nivolumab</u>

**ANTI PD-L1** 

Atezolizumab

Durvalumab

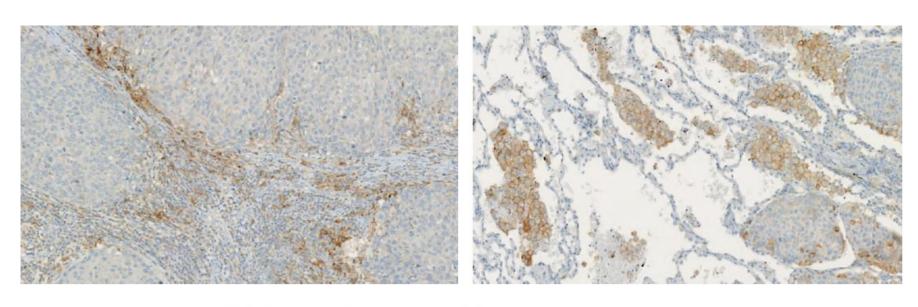
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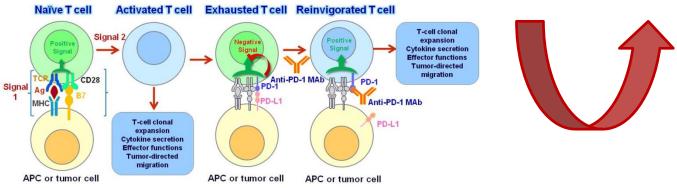
<u>Ipilimumab</u>

Tremelimumab

# PD-L1 (IHC) as a Biomarker

Expression on tumour cells and on immune cells





#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Nivolumab versus Docetaxel in Advanced Squamous-Cell Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer

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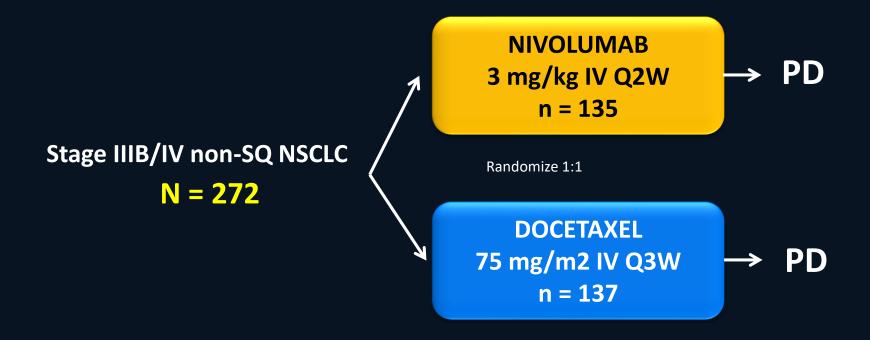
## **CHECKMATE-017**





## **CHECKMATE 017-squamous**

Nivolumab (anti PD-1)

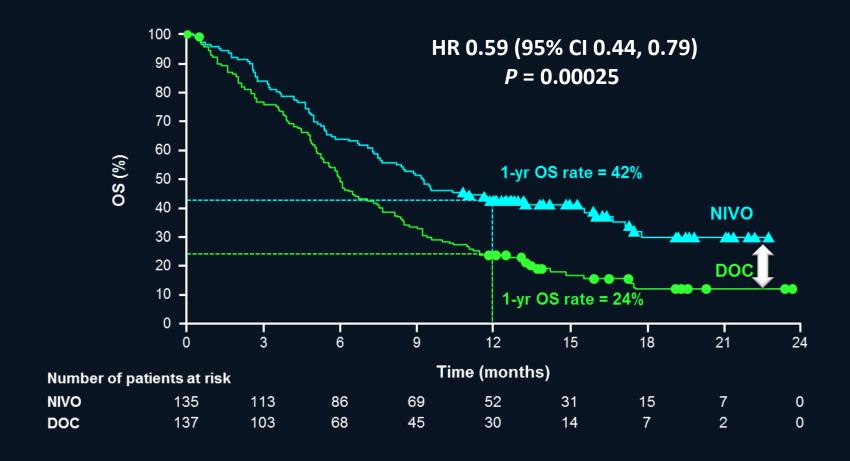


PRIMARY ENDPOINT OS



## **CHECKMATE-017 interim analysis**

Nivolumab vs docetaxel squamous 2nd-line



## THE LANCET



## Pembrolizumab versus docetaxel for previously treated, PD-L1-positive, advanced non-small-cell lung cancer (KEYNOTE-010): a randomised controlled trial



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#### Summary

Background Despite recent advances in the treatment of advanced non-small-cell lung cancer, there remains a need for effective treatments for progressive disease. We assessed the efficacy of pembrolizumab for patients with previously treated, PD-L1-positive, advanced non-small-cell lung cancer.

Methods We did this randomised, open-label, phase 2/3 study at 202 academic medical centres in 24 countries. Patients with previously treated non-small-cell lung cancer with PD-L1 expression on at least 1% of tumour cells were randomly assigned (1:1:1) in blocks of six per stratum with an interactive voice-response system to receive pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg, pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg, or docetaxel 75 mg/m² every 3 weeks. The primary endpoints were overall survival and progression-free survival both in the total population, and in patients with PD-L1 expression on at least 50% of tumour cells. We used a threshold for significance of p<0.00825 (one-sided). This trial is registered at ClinicalTrials.gov, number NCT01905657.

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Yale School of Medicine, Yale Cancer Center, and Smilow Cancer Hospital, New Haven, CT, USA (Prof R S Herbst MD); The Netherlands Cancer Institute and The Academic Medical Hospital Amsterdam,

# **KEYNOTE-010 Study Design**

#### **Patients**

- Advanced NSCLC
- Confirmed PD after ≥1 line of chemotherapy<sup>a</sup>
- No active brain metastases
- ECOG PS 0-1
  - PD-L1 TPS ≥1%
- No serious autoimmune disease
- No ILD or pneumonitis requiring systemic steroids

Pembrolizumab 2 mg/kg IV Q3W for 24 months

Pembrolizumab 10 mg/kg IV Q3W for 24 months

Docetaxel 75 mg/m² Q3W per local guidelines°

#### Stratification factors:

- ECOG PS (0 vs 1)
- Region (East Asia vs non-East Asia)
   PD-L1 status<sup>b</sup> (TPS ≥50% vs 1%-49%)

# End points in the TPS ≥50% stratum and TPS ≥1% population

Primary: PFS and OS

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 Secondary: ORR, duration of response, safety

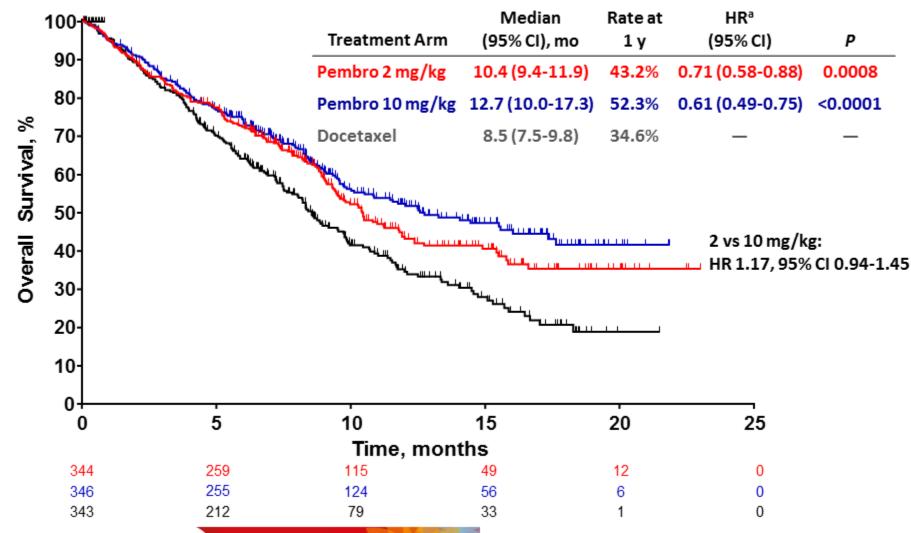
ClinicalTrials.gov, NCT01905657.

Prior therapy must have included ≥2 cycles of platinum-doublet chemotherapy. An appropriate tyrosine kinase inhibitor was required for patients whose tumors had an EGFR sensitizing mutation or an ALK translocation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Added after 441 patients enrolled based on results from KEYNOTE-001 (Garon EB et al. N Engl J Med. 2015;372:2018-28).

Patients received the maximum number of cycles permitted by the local regulatory authority.

# OS, PD-L1 TPS ≥1% (Total Population)



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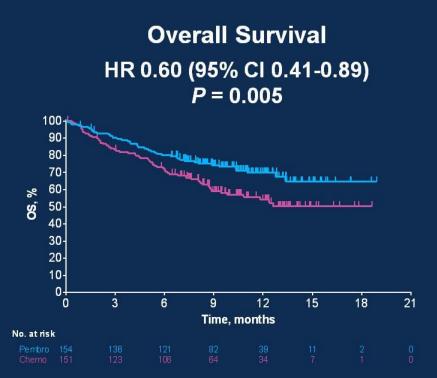
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**KEYNOTE-024** 

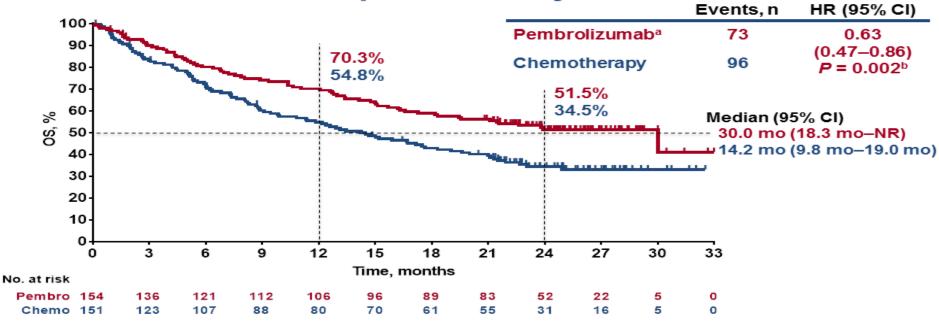
## **KEYNOTE-024: Primary Analysis**

(Median Follow-Up: 11.2 months)

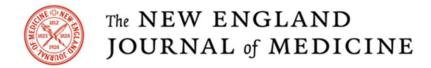




#### Overall Survival: Updated Analysis



<sup>a</sup>Effective crossover rate from chemotherapy to anti-PD-L1 therapy, 62.3% (82 patients crossed over to pembrolizumab during the study and 12 received anti-PD-L1 therapy outside of crossover). Nominal Pvalue. NR, not reached. Data cutoff. July 10, 2017.



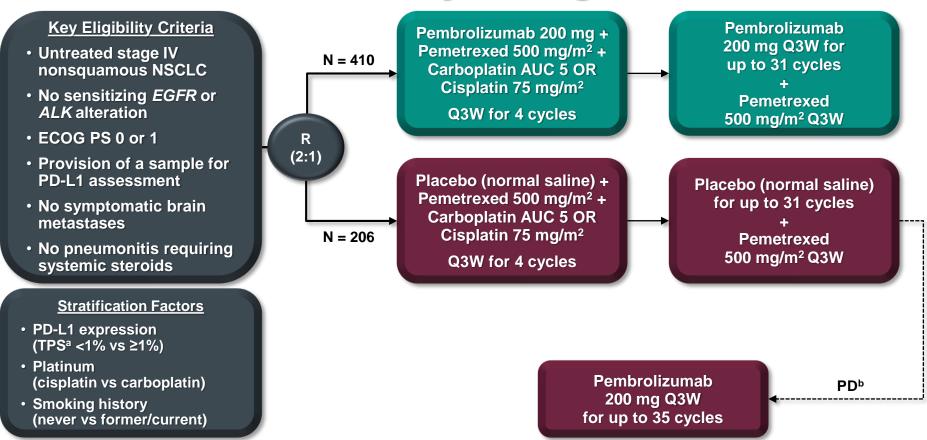
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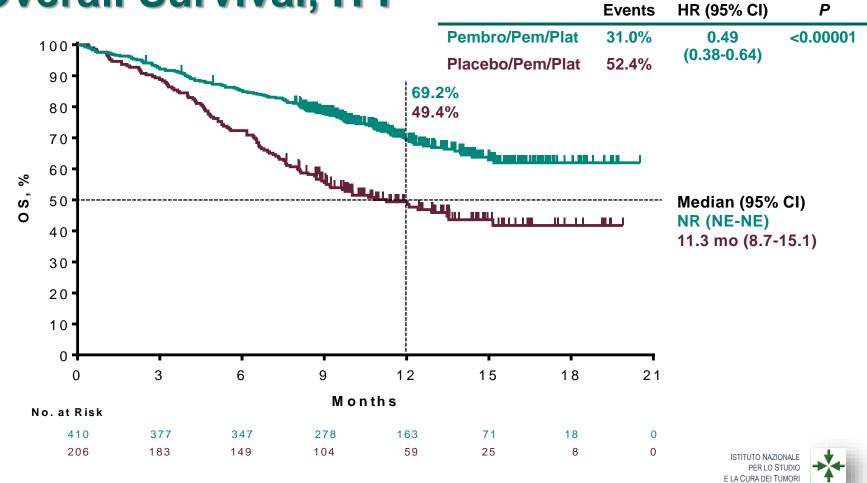


## KEYNOTE-189 Study Design (NCT02578680)

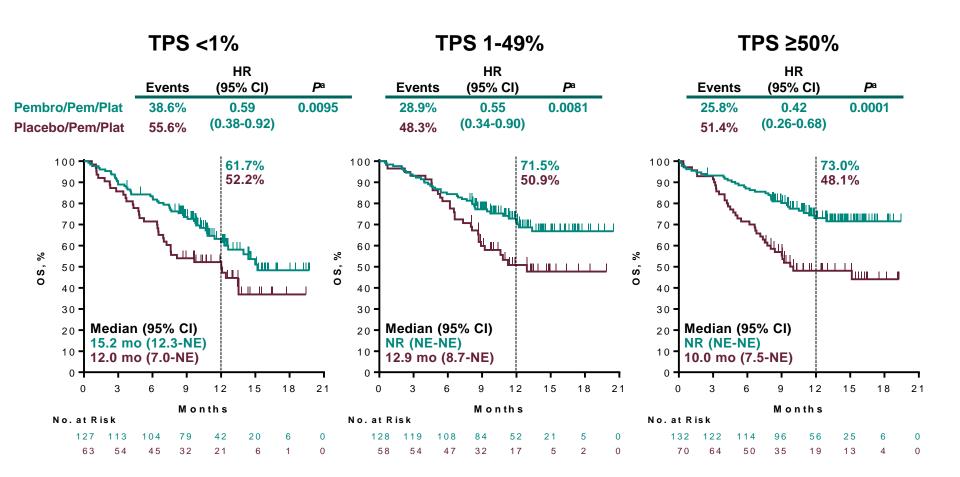


<sup>a</sup>Percentage of tumor cells with membranous PD-L1 staining assessed using the PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx assay. <sup>b</sup>Patients could crossover during the induction or maintenance phases. To be eligible for crossover, PD must have been verified by blinded, independent central radiologic review and all safety criteria had to be met.

## **Overall Survival, ITT**



## **Overall Survival by PD-L1 TPS**



**Progression-Free Survival, ITT** (RECIST v1.1, BICR) HR (95% CI) P **Events** Pembro/Pem/Plat 59.5% 0.52 < 0.00001 100 (0.43 - 0.64)Placebo/Pem/Plat 80.6% 90 34.1% 80 17.3% 70 60 % PFS, Median (95% CI) 50 8.8 mo (7.6-9.2) 40 4.9 mo (4.7-5.5) 30 20 10 0 -3 6 12 15 18 21 9 0 Months No. at Risk

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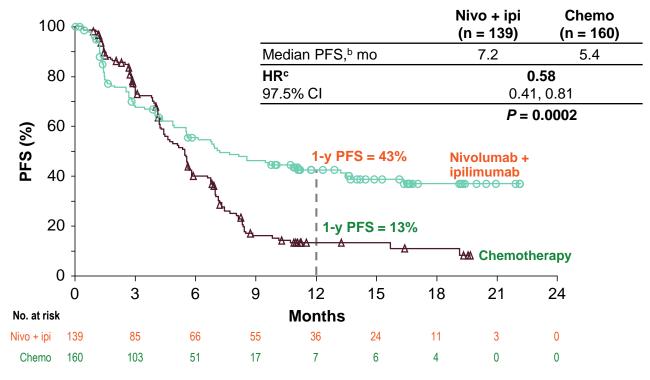
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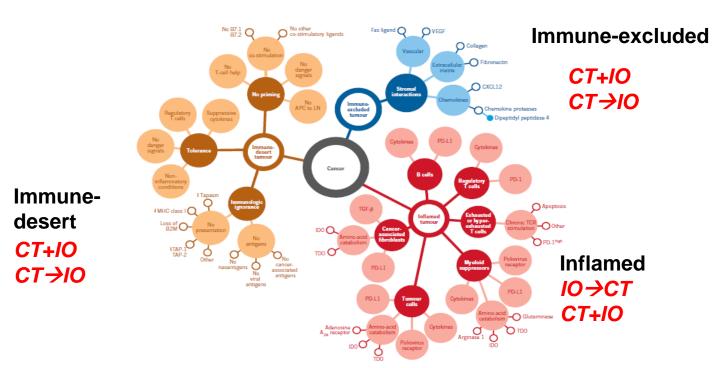
## Co-primary Endpoint: PFS With Nivolumab + Ipilimumab vs Chemotherapy in Patients With High TMB (≥10 mut/Mb)<sup>a</sup>



In patients with TMB <10 mut/Mb treated with nivo + ipi vs chemo, the HR was 1.07 (95% CI: 0.84, 1.35)<sup>d</sup>

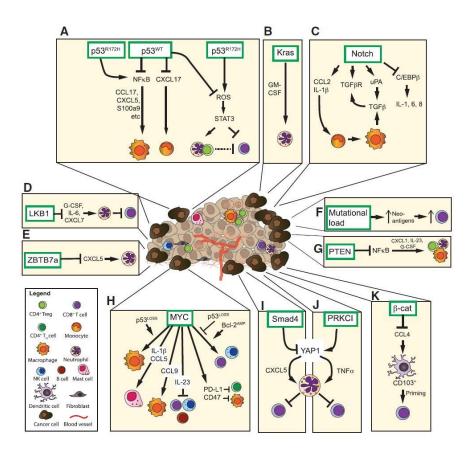
<sup>a</sup>Per blinded independent central review (BICR); median (range) of follow-up in the co-primary analysis population was 13.6 mo (0.4, 25.1) for nivo + ipi and 13.2 mo (0.2, 26.0) for chemo; <sup>b</sup>95% CI: nivo + ipi (5.5, 13.2 mo), chemo (4.4, 5.8 mo); <sup>c</sup>95% CI: 0.43, 0.77 mo; <sup>d</sup>The *P*-value for the treatment interaction was 0.0018

## Three main phenotypes and multiple uncertainties

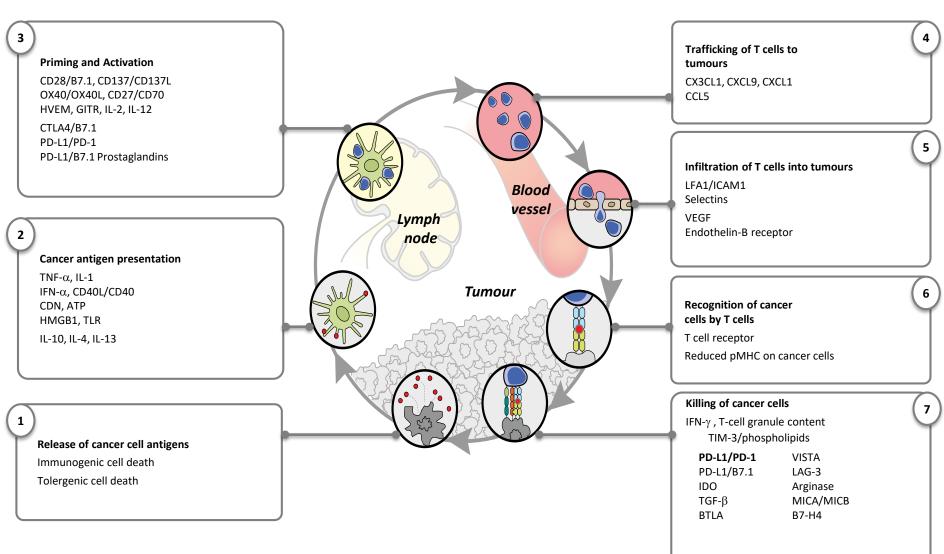


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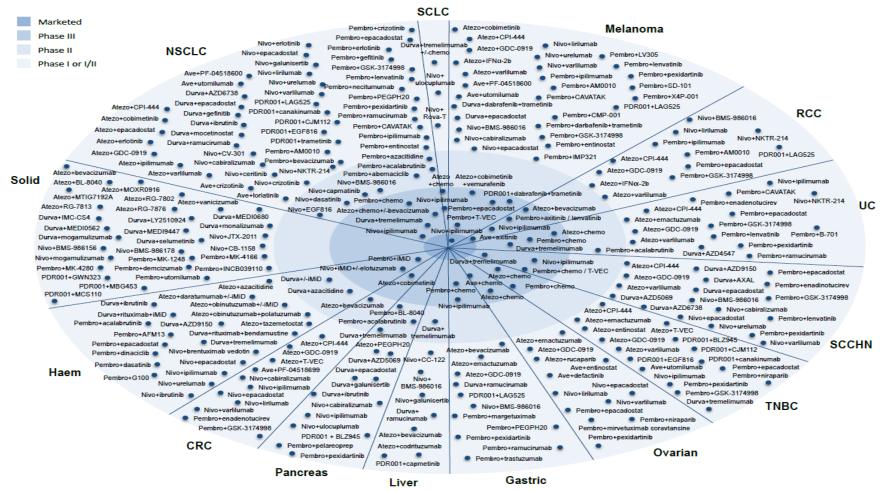
### **Genotype and immunephenotype**



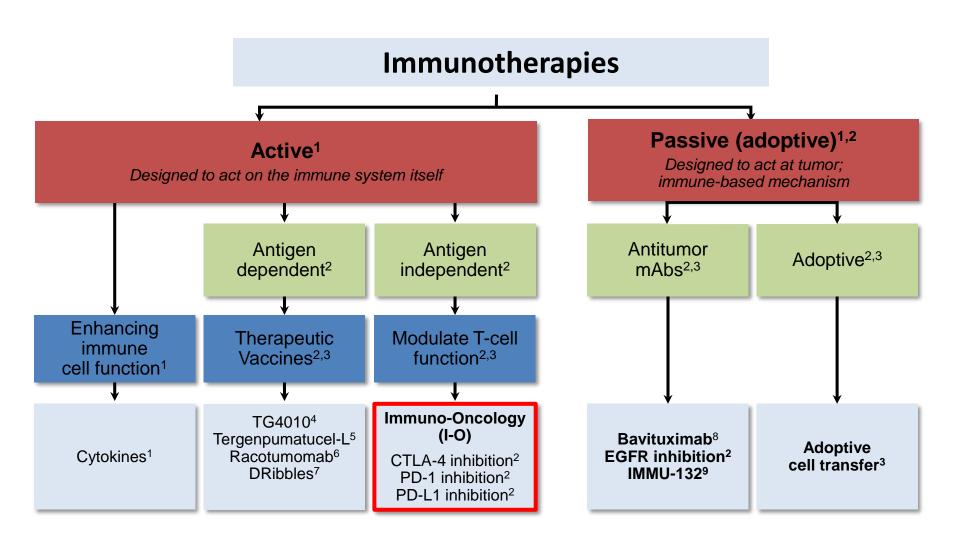
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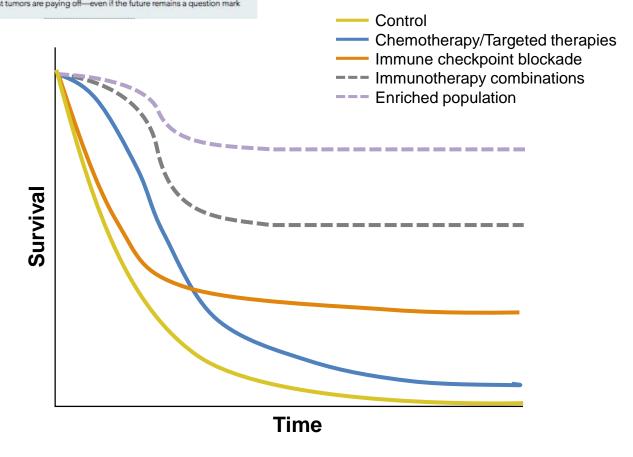
### **Drug Development for IO Drugs**



# Investigational immunotherapeutic approaches in lung cancer



#### **Conclusions: "The Promise"**



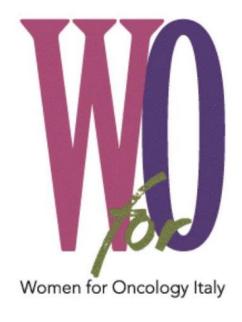
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<sup>3.</sup> Drake CG. Ann Oncol 2012;23(suppl 8):viii41-viii46

"Time for me is double-edged: Every day brings me further from the low of my last cancer relapse, but every day also brings me closer to the next cancer recurrence --- and eventually, death."

Paul Kalanithi, MD'07 Author of "When Breath Becomes Air"

Neurosurgeon, Writer, Patient with EGFR mutant lung cancer



#### Marina Chiara Garassino President

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Women in Italy are clearly DISCRIMINATED against



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#### Some activities

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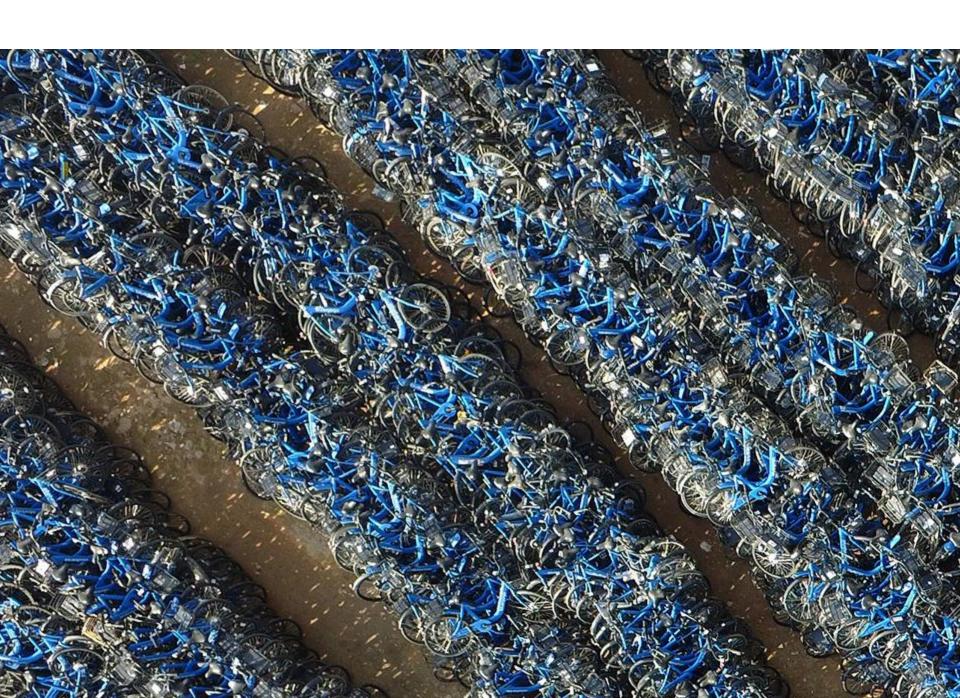
Rome, Parliament, 2017- Women who care

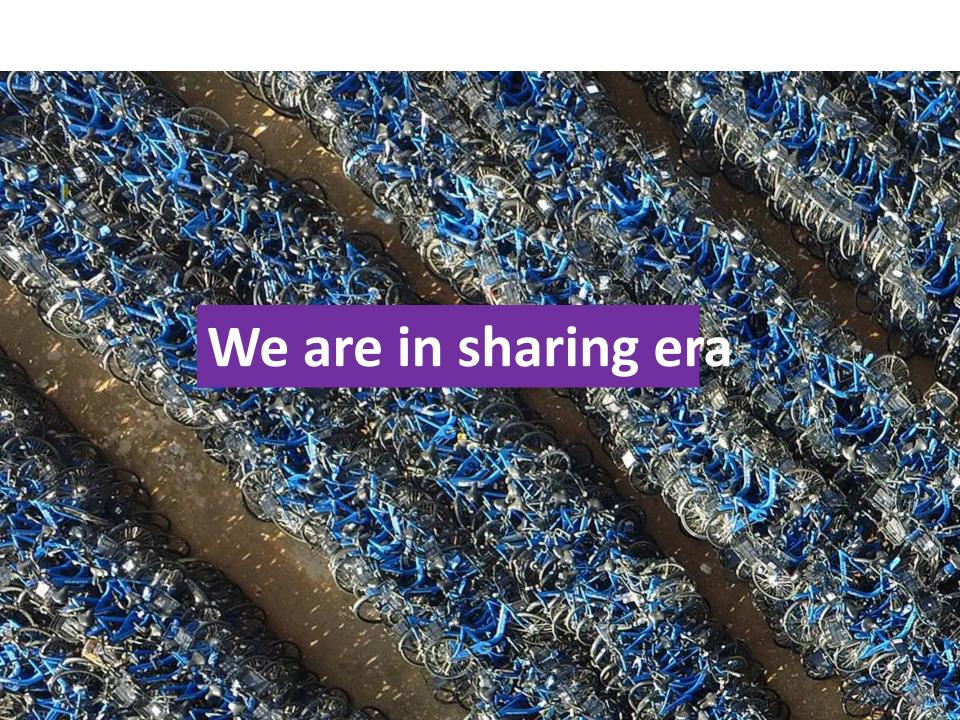


#### In our diversities



We learnt the power of sharing





## FEMINIZATION AND RECOMPOSITION OF PROFESSIONAL HIERARCHIES: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEDICINE

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#### MEDICINE MEN MARGINALIZING MEDICINE WOMEN A PROBLEM AS OLD AS MODERN MEDICINE

Men

"Professors"

"Instruments" (forceps)

"Ignorance"

"Impatience" "Cruelty"

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"Modest females"

"Hands"

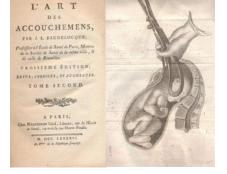
"Experience"

"Patience"

"Compassion"



BOURSIER DU COUDRAY, Angelique Marguerite le (1714–1794) Abrégé de l'art accouchements, 1773.



BAUDELOCQUE (Jean-Louis). L'Art des accouchemens. Paris : Méquignon l'aîné, 1796



#### STEREOTYPICAL GENDER DIVISION

"Cure" vs "Care"



Pablo Picasso (1881-1973). Science and charity. **1897**. Museo Picasso, Barcelona, Spain.



A physician examining a child, who is being comforted by a nurse in the ward of a childrens' hospital. J.Löwy, 1901, after I. Knopp, **1892**.



#### STEREOTYPICAL GENDER DIVISION

#### A long and difficult *REAL* integration



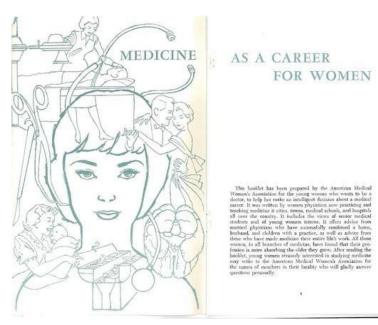
New England Female Medical College, originally Boston Female Medical College, founded in **1848**. The oldest medical school in the United States exclusively for women.



First coeducational class of women admitted to Harvard Medical School, **1945**. Countway Library of Medicine



#### STEREOTYPES JUSTIFYING EXCEPTION MULTI-ROLE, MULTI-TASKING AND HEROISM





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#### Combining Marriage and Medicine

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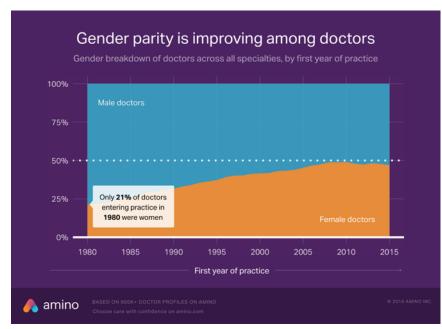
"It is quite possible to combine an active carrer in medicine with marriage and children if one is willing to make certain sterifices. In my own case, I was married in my first year of

Ruth Morris Bakwin (1898-1985) (MD 1923 Cornell University Medical College). « Pediatrician, researcher, writer, wife, mother and art collector ». Pamphlet of edited papers (ca. 1984). Weill Cornell Medicine library.



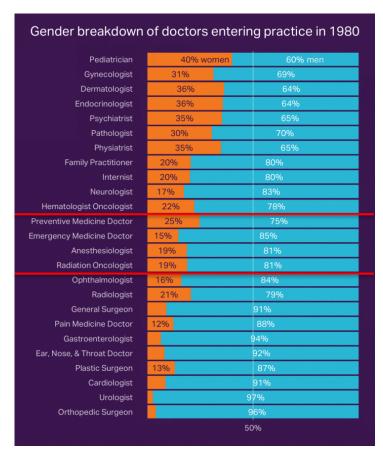


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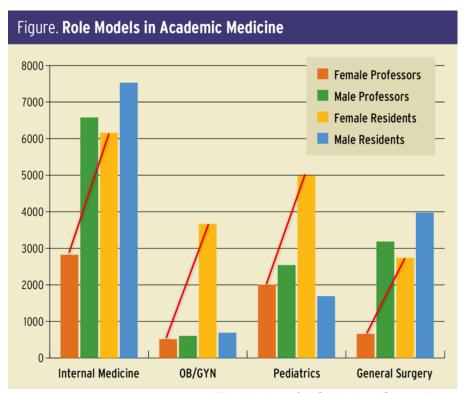
Hannah Levy (2016) How the gender gap is shifting in medicine, by specialty. © Amino digital health company.

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#### GENDER IN MEDICINE – ... NEGATIVE GAPS



"Distribution of U.S. Medical School Faculty by Sex, Race/Ethnicity, Tenure Status, and Department". Resident data based on 2014-2015 AAMC "Report on Residents".

#### Revisiting the Gender Gap

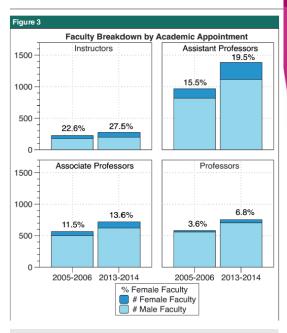


Chart showing the proportion of female orthopaedic surgery instructors, assistant professors, associate professors, and professors for the academic years of 2005 to 2006 and 2013 to 2014.

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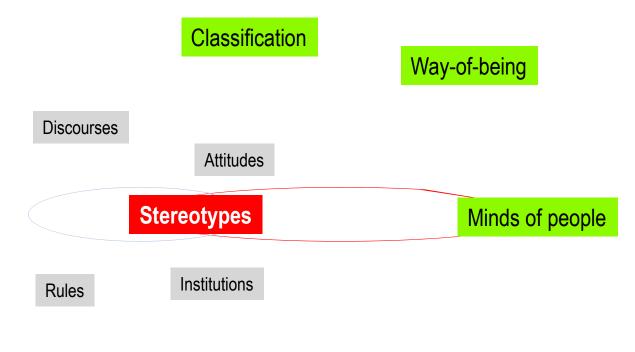


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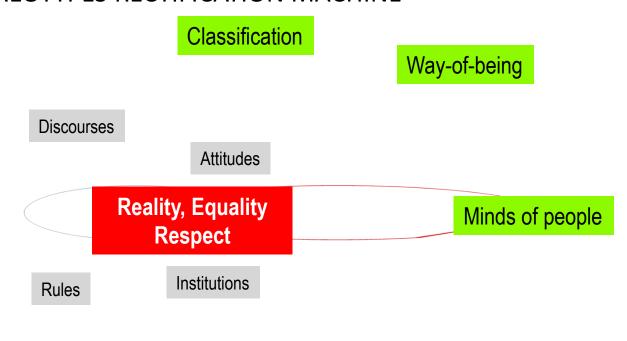
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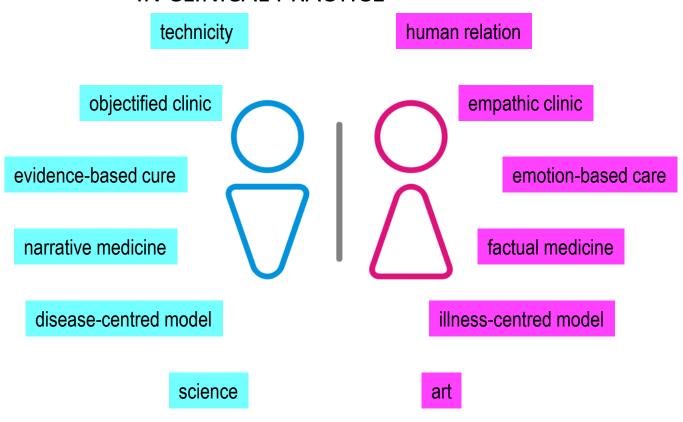
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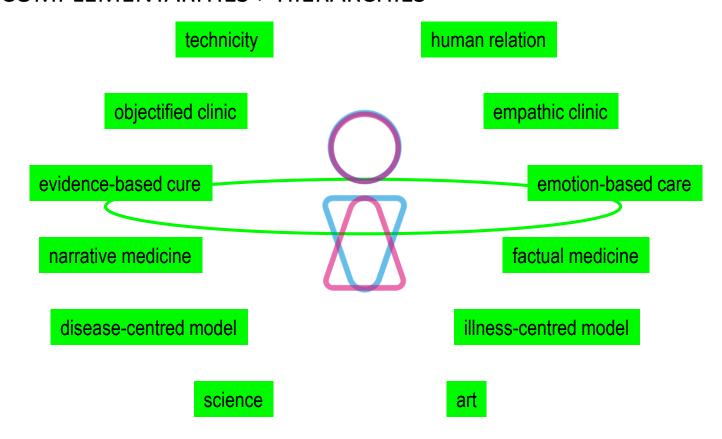


## CHALLENGING STEREOTYPICAL OPPOSITIONS IN CLINICAL PRACTICE





## DIFFERENCES ⇒ COMPLEMENTARITIES COMPLEMENTARITIES ≠ HIERARCHIES





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