

Supplemental Online Content

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eTable 1. Next-Line Therapies

| Agents | Regimen | ECOG PS 0-1 (N = 31) | ECOG PS \geq2 (N = 24) |
|---|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Pembrolizumab + Chemotherapy | Pembrolizumab + Carboplatin + Pemetrexed | 3 | |
| | Pembrolizumab + Carboplatin + Paclitaxel | 1 | |
| | Pembrolizumab + Pemetrexed | 1 | |
| Chemotherapy | Carboplatin + Pemetrexed | 2 | |
| | Carboplatin + Paclitaxel | 1 | |
| | Carboplatin + Gemcitabine | 1 | |
| | Docetaxel | 2 | |
| Targeted therapy | Osimertinib | 1 | 1 |
| | Alectinib | 1 | |
| | Dabrafenib + Trametinib | | 1 |
| Clinical Trials | | 1 | |
| Total | | 14 | 2 |

eTable 2. Unadjusted Association Between Baseline Clinicopathologic/Laboratory Characteristics and Patient Outcomes

| | Unadjusted HR for progression or death (95% CI) | P value | Unadjusted HR for death (95% CI) | P value |
|--|--|----------------|---|------------------|
| ECOG PS (2-3 versus 0-1) | 2.24 (1.28 – 3.92) | 0.005 | 3.59 (1.94 – 6.65) | <0.001 |
| Age (years) | 1.01 (0.98 – 1.04) | 0.42 | 1.03 (0.99 – 1.06) | 0.09 |
| Sex (Female versus Male) | 1.65 (0.94 – 2.89) | 0.08 | 1.39 (0.78 – 2.49) | 0.27 |
| Race (Caucasian versus Non-Caucasian) | 0.79 (0.42 – 1.54) | 0.50 | 0.63 (0.31 – 1.27) | 0.19 |
| Body mass index | 1.01 (0.97 – 1.05) | 0.66 | 1.00 (0.95 – 1.05) | 0.96 |
| Obese (Yes versus No) | 1.36 (0.69 – 2.65) | 0.38 | 1.44 (0.69 – 3.02) | 0.33 |
| Ever smoker, (No versus Yes) | 2.84 (0.99 – 8.20) | 0.05 | 1.76 (0.74 – 4.19) | 0.20 |
| Simplified Comorbidity score | 0.98 (0.89 – 1.08) | 0.67 | 1.03 (0.94 – 1.14) | 0.48 |
| Hypertension (Yes versus No) | 1.08 (0.62 – 1.88) | 0.79 | 1.35 (0.75 – 2.43) | 0.32 |
| Diabetes mellitus (Yes versus No) | 1.24 (0.52 – 2.94) | 0.62 | 1.69 (0.78 – 3.68) | 0.18 |
| Cardiovascular Comorbidities (Yes versus No) | 0.93 (0.53 – 1.63) | 0.80 | 1.25 (0.69 – 2.27) | 0.46 |
| Respiratory Comorbidities (Yes versus No) | 0.89 (0.49 – 1.59) | 0.69 | 1.10 (0.58 – 2.09) | 0.76 |
| Creatinine clearance <60 (Yes versus No) | 1.04 (0.58 – 1.85) | 0.90 | 1.36 (0.74 – 2.47) | 0.32 |
| Creatinine clearance <30 (Yes versus No) | 1.52 (0.47 – 4.94) | 0.48 | 2.64 (0.81 – 8.61) | 0.11 |
| VTE (Yes versus No) | 0.85 (0.41 – 1.76) | 0.67 | 0.87 (0.39 – 1.91) | 0.73 |
| PD-L1 TPS (%) | 0.99 (0.99 – 1.01) | 0.77 | 0.99 (0.99 – 1.01) | 0.51 |
| Number of metastatic sites | 1.14 (0.93 – 1.39) | 0.19 | 1.12 (0.90 – 1.38) | 0.31 |
| Lung/pleura metastases (Yes versus No) | 0.79 (0.45 – 1.39) | 0.42 | 0.72 (0.39 – 1.30) | 0.27 |
| Lymph node metastases (Yes versus No) | 1.25 (0.71 – 2.17) | 0.44 | 1.09 (0.59 – 1.99) | 0.78 |
| Brain metastases (Yes versus No) | 1.05 (0.58 – 1.89) | 0.87 | 1.15 (0.61 – 2.15) | 0.67 |
| Bone metastases (Yes versus No) | 1.61 (0.92 – 2.83) | 0.09 | 1.41 (0.78 – 2.56) | 0.26 |
| Liver metastases (Yes versus No) | 1.81 (0.76 – 4.32) | 0.18 | 1.54 (0.68 – 3.49) | 0.29 |

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| Adrenal metastases (Yes versus No) | 1.26 (0.54 – 2.98) | 0.59 | 1.67 (0.70 – 3.97) | 0.25 |
| Other metastases (Yes versus No) | 1.39 (0.65 – 2.97) | 0.39 | 1.44 (0.71 – 2.91) | 0.32 |
| Line of therapy (≥ Second line versus First line) | 1.02 (0.55 – 1.89) | 0.95 | 0.97 (0.49 – 1.88) | 0.92 |
| White blood cell count (K/uL) | 1.06 (1.01 – 1.12) | 0.01 | 1.08 (1.03 – 1.13) | 0.003 |
| Absolute neutrophil count (K/uL) | 1.07 (1.01 – 1.14) | 0.02 | 1.09 (1.03 – 1.17) | 0.004 |
| Creatinine (mg/dL) | 0.94 (0.53 – 1.68) | 0.84 | 1.22 (0.68 – 2.18) | 0.66 |

Abbreviations: CAD = Coronary artery disease, CHF = Congestive heart failure, CI = Confidence intervals, ECOG PS = Eastern Cooperative Oncology group performance status, HR = Hazard ratio, K/uL = x1000/microliter, NSCLC = Non-small-cell lung cancer, PD-L1 = Programmed death ligand -1, TPS = Tumor proportion score, VTE = Venous thromboembolic disease

eTable 3. Comparison of Efficacy and Survival Outcomes Reported in Literature on Treatment With Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in Patients With Advanced NSCLC with ECOG PS of at Least 2

| | Retrospective | | | | | Prospective Non-randomized |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Sehgal <i>et al</i> | Petrillo <i>et al</i> | Facchinetti <i>et al</i> | Alessi <i>et al</i> | Friedlaender <i>et al</i> | Middleton <i>et al</i> |
| ICI | Pembrolizumab | Nivolumab, Pembrolizumab, Atezolizumab | Pembrolizumab | Pembrolizumab | Pembrolizumab | Pembrolizumab |
| PS | 2 - 3 | 2 - 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| PD-L1 | Any | Any | | | | Any |
| Line | Any | Any | | | | Any |
| N | 29 | 84 | | | | 60 |
| ORR, % | 17.9 % | Not reported | | | | 27 % |
| DCR, % | 53.6 % | Not reported | | | | 37 % |
| Median PFS, mo (95% CI) | 2.3 (1.8 – 4.8) | 1.7 (1.3 – 2.1) | | | | 4.4 (3.3 – 9.9) |
| Median OS, mo (95% CI) | 4.1 (2.1 – 6.9) | 4.5 (2.3 – 6.9) | | | | 9.8 (7.1 – 14.6) |
| PD-L1 | Any | Any | | | | Any |
| Line | First | First | | | | First |
| N | 21 | 19 | | | | 24 |
| ORR, % | 20 % | Not reported | | | | 21 % |
| DCR, % | 55 % | Not reported | | | | 38 % |
| Median PFS, mo (95% CI) | 2.7 (1.8 – 7.6) | Not reported | | | | 4.3 (1.9 – 13.1) |
| Median OS, mo (95% CI) | 4.3 (2.3 – 7.8) | 6.7 (Not reported) | | | | 7.9 (2.6 – Not reached) |
| PD-L1 | ≥ 50% | | | | | ≥ 50% |
| Line | Any | | | | | Any |
| N | 17 | | | | | 15 |
| ORR, % | 25 % | | | | | 47 % |
| DCR, % | 43.8 % | | | | | 53 % |
| Median PFS, mo (95% CI) | 2.1 (0.5 – 4.9) | | | | | 12.6 (1.9 – Not reached) |
| Median OS, mo (95% CI) | 2.8 (0.9 – 6.9) | | | | | 14.6 (4.6 – Not reached) |
| PD-L1 | ≥ 50% | | ≥ 50% | ≥ 50% | ≥ 50% | |
| Line | First | | First | First | First | |
| N | 12 | | 153 | 39 | 56 | |
| ORR, % | 27.3 % | | 21 % | 25.6 % | 45 % | |
| DCR, % | 45.5 % | | 37 % | Not reported | Not reported | |
| Median PFS, mo (95% CI) | 2.1 (0.5 – 4.9) | | 2.4 (1.6 – 2.5) | 4.0 (2.07 – 14.04) | 2.6 (1.9 – 5.1) | |
| Median OS, mo (95% CI) | 2.8 (0.5 – 6.9) | | 3.0 (2.4 – 3.5) | 7.4 (3.78 – Not reached) | 7.8 (2.5 – 10.7) | |

Abbreviations: ECOG PS = Eastern Cooperative Oncology group performance status, DCR = Disease control rate, mo = months, ORR = Overall response rate, OS = Overall survival, N = Number of patients, NSCLC = Non-small cell lung cancer, PD-L1 = Programmed death ligand-1, PFS = Progression-free survival, TPS = Tumor proportion score

eTable 4. Clinicopathologic and Treatment Characteristics of Patients With ECOG PS of at Least 2 With or Without Durable Clinical Benefit

| | | Durable Clinical Benefit (N = 7) | No Durable Clinical Benefit (N = 22) | P value |
|--|---|---|---|----------------|
| ECOG PS | 2, n (%) 3, n (%) | 6 (85.7) 1 (14.3) | 19 (86.4) 3 (13.6) | 1.00 |
| Age, years | Median (range) | 68 (63 – 87) | 72.5 (42 – 86) | 0.68 |
| Sex | Female, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 11 (50) | 1.00 |
| Race | Caucasian, n (%) African American, n (%) Asian, n (%) | 5 (71.4) 2 (28.6) 0 | 16 (72.7) 4 (18.2) 2 (9.1) | 0.79 |
| Body Mass Index | Median (range) | 25.3 (19.5 – 37.3) | 24.9 (17.3 – 40.9) | 0.58 |
| Obesity | Yes, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 5 (22.7) | 0.36 |
| Smoking | Ever, n (%) | 7 (100) | 18 (81.8) | 0.55 |
| Comorbidities | Simplified Comorbidity Score, Median (range) | 9 (7 – 13) | 9 (2 – 14) | 0.88 |
| | Hypertension, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 14 (63.6) | 0.40 |
| | Diabetes mellitus, n (%) | 0 (0) | 4 (18.2) | 0.55 |
| | Cardiovascular, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 6 (27.3) | 0.64 |
| | Respiratory, n (%) | 4 (57.1) | 8 (36.4) | 0.40 |
| | Creatinine clearance <60, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 8 (36.4) | 1.00 |
| | Creatinine clearance <30, n (%) | 0 (0) | 1 (4.5) | 1.00 |
| VTE, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 5 (22.7) | 1.00 | |
| Histology | Non-squamous, n (%) | 5 (71.4) | 14 (63.6) | 1.00 |
| | Squamous, n (%) | 2 (28.6) | 6 (27.3) | |
| | Poorly differentiated, n (%) | 0 | 2 (9.1) | |
| Driver mutations/ alterations (N=26 [7/19]) | None, n (%) | 4 (57.1) | 6 (31.6) | 0.38 |
| | KRAS, n (%) | 2 (28.6) | 10 (52.6) | |
| | EGFR, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 1 (5.3) | |
| | Others, n (%) | 0 | 2 (10.5) | |
| | - MET, n (%) | 0 | 1 (5.3) | |
| | - BRAF, n (%) | 0 | 1 (5.3) | |
| | | | | |
| PD-L1 TPS | Median (range) | 40 (1 – 100) | 70 (1 – 90) | 0.30 |
| | ≥ 50%, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 14 (63.6) | 0.40 |
| Sites of metastases | Number, Median (range) | 2 (1 – 4) | 2 (1 – 5) | 0.22 |
| | Lung/pleura, n (%) | 5 (71.4) | 12 (54.5) | 0.67 |
| | Lymph node, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 12 (54.5) | 0.68 |
| | Brain, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 8 (36.4) | 0.38 |

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|---|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| | Bone, n (%) | 3 (42.9) | 13 (59.1) | 0.67 |
| | Liver, n (%) | 0 (0) | 4 (18.2) | 0.55 |
| | Adrenal, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 3 (13.6) | 1.00 |
| | Others, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 7 (31.8) | 0.64 |
| Line of therapy | First line, n (%) | 6 (85.7) | 15 (68.2) | 0.64 |
| | ≥ Second line, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 7 (31.8) | |
| WBC (K/uL) | Median (range) | 7.9 (5.4 – 10.2) | 8.6 (4.7 – 37.5) | 0.40 |
| ANC (K/uL) | Median (range) | 5.59 (3.38 – 7.52) | 6.92 (3.51 – 22.4) | 0.25 |
| Creatinine (mg/dL) | Median (range) | 0.9 (0.4 – 1.8) | 0.85 (0.5 – 2.3) | 0.74 |
| Objective response (N=28 [7/21]) | ORR, n (%) | 4 (57.1) | 1 (4.8) | 0.008 |
| | • CR, n (%) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | |
| | • PR, n (%) | 4 (57.1) | 1 (4.8) | |
| Immune-related adverse events | Any grade, n (%) | 5 (71.4) | 4 (18.2) | 0.02 |
| | ≥ Grade 3, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 4 (18.2) | 1.00 |
| | Steroid use, n (%) | 1 (14.3) | 4 (18.2) | 1.00 |

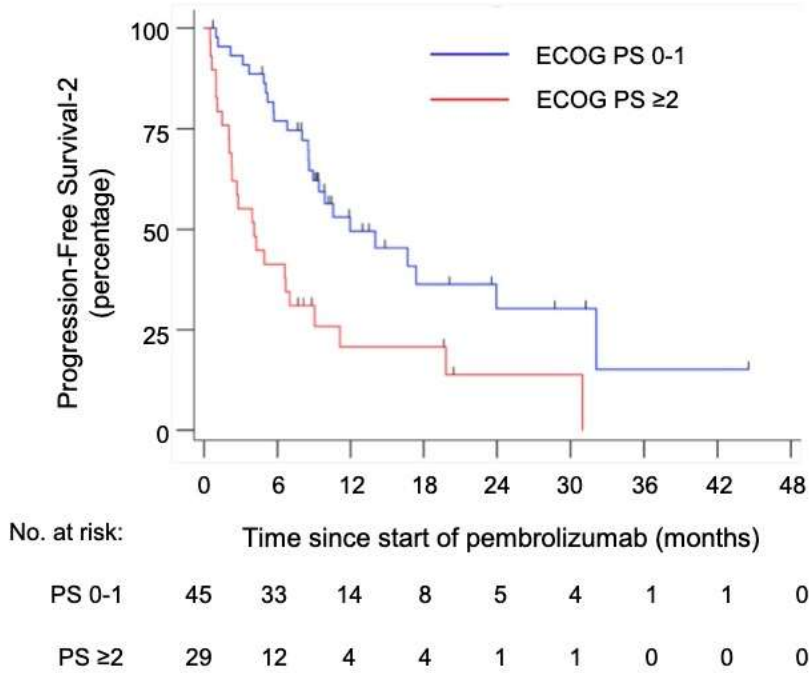
Abbreviations: ANC = Absolute neutrophil count, CAD = Coronary artery disease, CHF = Congestive heart failure, CR = Complete response, ECOG PS = Eastern Cooperative Oncology group performance status, K/uL = x1000/microliter, ORR = Overall response rate, PD-L1 = Programmed death ligand 1, PR = Partial response, TPS = Tumor proportion score, VTE = Venous thromboembolic disease, WBC = White blood cell count, wk = weeks

eTable 5. Treatment Outcomes in Patients With ECOG PS 0-1 vs ECOG PS2

| | | All (N = 70) | ECOG PS 0-1 (N = 45) | ECOG PS =2 (N = 25) | P value |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Objective response (N=67 [43/24]) | ORR, n (%) | 16 (23.9) | 12 (27.9) | 4 (16.7) | 0.38 |
| | • CR, n (%) | 2 (2.9) | 2 (4.6) | 0 (0) | |
| | • PR, n (%) | 14 (20.9) | 10 (23.3) | 4 (16.7) | |
| Disease control (N=67 [43/24]) | DCR, n (%) | 51 (76.1) | 38 (88.4) | 13 (54.2) | 0.003 |
| | • SD, n (%) | 35 (52.2) | 26 (60.5) | 9 (37.5) | |
| Immune-related adverse events | Any grade, n (%) | 32 (45.7) | 24 (53.3) | 8 (32) | 0.09 |
| | ≥ Grade 3, n (%) | 11 (15.7) | 6 (13.3) | 5 (20) | 0.51 |
| | Steroid use, n (%) | 15 (21.4) | 10 (22.2) | 5 (20) | 1.00 |
| | Treatment discontinuation, n (%) | 7 (10) | 3 (6.7) | 4 (16) | 0.24 |
| | Death, n (%) | 1 (1.4) | 1 (2.2) | 0 (0) | 1.00 |
| Progression Free Survival | Median, months (95% CI) | 4.9 (3.3 – 7.9) | 7.9 (4.6 – 15.4) | 2.3 (1.8 – 4.8) | 0.003 |
| Progression Free Survival-2 | Median, months (95% CI) | 8.9 (6.6 – 11.9) | 11.9 (8.6 – 23.9) | 4.1 (2.3 – 6.9) | <0.001 |
| Overall Survival | Median, months (95% CI) | 12.7 (6.7 – 23.2) | 23.2 (14.0 – 35.7) | 4.1 (2.3 – 6.9) | <0.001 |
| Death on home hospice | Yes, n (%) | 26 (37.1) | 15 (33.3) | 11 (44) | 0.35 |
| | No, n (%) | 14 (20) | 7 (15.6) | 7 (28) | |
| | Not known, n (%) | 2 (2.9) | 0 (0) | 2 (8) | |
| | Not applicable, n (%) | 28 (40) | 23 (51.1) | 5 (20) | |

Abbreviations: CR = Complete response, DCR = Disease control rate, ECOG PS = Eastern Cooperative Oncology group performance status, ORR = Overall response rate, PR = Partial response, SD = Stable disease

eFigure 1. Univariate Kaplan-Meier Survival Curves for Progression-Free Survival-2 in Patients With Advanced NSCLC and ECOG PS 0-1 vs at Least 2 Treated With Pembrolizumab Monotherapy



eFigure 2. Univariate Kaplan-Meier Survival Curves for Progression-Free Survival, Overall Survival, and Progression-Free Survival in Patients With Advanced NSCLC and ECOG PS 0-1 vs 2 Treated With Pembrolizumab Monotherapy

