# **Supplementary Online Content**

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This supplementary material has been provided by the authors to give readers additional information about their work.

# eAppendix 1. Literature Searches

# PubMed search strategy

We focused on original English-language ICI articles, published between January 1, 2010 and October 1, 2019, which evaluated phase III trials of: atezolizumab, avelumab, durvalumab, ipilimumab, nivolumab, pembrolizumab and tremelimumab. Supplementary eTable 1 details PubMed search strategies performed in October 2019. TF and MB first reviewed all titles and abstracts to remove any obviously irrelevant publications and then examined the full-text articles to validate eligibility for inclusion in the current study. To ensure that no studies were missed, we also reviewed the references of original and review articles.

Reports of phase III randomized ICI trials in a recurrent and/or metastatic setting, with PFS as a (primary or secondary) endpoint, and which also included Kaplan-Meier survival curves in the publication were deemed eligible for inclusion in our current study. We excluded phase I, II or IV clinical trials, as well as phase III trials in adjuvant and neo-adjuvant settings. Subgroup analyses, meta-analyses and analyses using pooled data from two or more studies were also excluded.

Step	Search strategy	PubMed search string format
#1	PubMed filter for articles indexed	(neoplasms[MeSH Terms] OR Cancer OR
AND	under disease category "neoplasms"	Oncology)
#2	Restrict to articles published in	English [Language]
AND	English	
#3	Restrict to articles published between	("2010/01/01"[Date - Entrez]: "2019/10/01"[Date -
AND	January 2010 and September 2019	Entrez])
#4	Restrict to phase III trials	("Randomized Controlled Trial"[Publication Type]
AND		NOT "clinical trial, phase ii"[Publication Type]) OR
		"Phase 3" [Title/Abstract] OR "Phase iii"
		[Title/Abstract] OR "Phase 3" [Title/Abstract])
#5	Restrict to ICIs evaluated in phase III	((Nivolumab [Title/Abstract] OR CheckMate
AND	trials at the time of the current	[Title/Abstract]) OR (pembrolizumab [Title/Abstract]
	studywas conducted i.e.,	OR keynote [Title/Abstract]) OR Atezolizumab
	atezolizumab, avelumab,	[Title/Abstract] OR Durvalumab [Title/Abstract] OR
	durvalumab, ipilimumab, nivolumab,	Tremelimumab [Title/Abstract] OR Ipilimumab
	pembrolizumab and tremelimumab.	[Title/Abstract] OR Avelumab [Title/Abstract] OR
		cemiplimab [Title/Abstract])

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# Eligibility Criteria

Only reports of phase III randomized trials of ICIs in recurrent and/or metastatic settings, with PFS as an endpoint (either primary or secondary), and with Kaplan-Meier survival plots were eligible for inclusion in our current study.

Trials were excluded:

- if the follow-up time was clinically insufficient
  - First Line: Maximum follow-up < 36 months
  - Second line: Maximum follow-up  $\leq$  30 months
- if there was no clear evidence of a long-term responder fraction from a medical point of view

#### Characteristics of selected randomized controlled trials

Of the 643 publications identified from PubMed, 599 were excluded after reviewing titles and abstracts. One additional publication was identified from references of original and review articles. Among the 44 publications retained for full-text evaluation, 13 met our selection criteria. These included 11 phase III trials. Publications and characteristics of clinical trials are presented as supplementary data (Appendix 1, eTable 2 to eTable 4).

# Melanoma Publications

#### Phase III trials identified by PubMed Search (n=16)

- Robert C, Ribas A, Schachter J, Arance A, Grob JJ, Mortier L, Daud A, Carlino MS, McNeil CM, Lotem M, Larkin JMG, Lorigan P, Neyns B, Blank CU, Petrella TM, Hamid O, Su SC, Krepler C, Ibrahim N, Long GV. Pembrolizumab versus ipilimumab in advanced melanoma (KEYNOTE-006): post-hoc 5-year results from an open-label, multicentre, randomised, controlled, phase 3 study. Lancet Oncol. 2019 Sep;20(9):1239-1251
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#### Characteristics of clinical trials

	Line	Experimental arm	Standard Arm	Reference	Comment
CA184-002 NCT00094653	2 <sup>nd</sup> or latter	Ipilimumab + GP100	GP100 Ipilimumab	Hodi, NEJM 2010	
CA184-024 NCT00324155	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ipilimumab+Dacarbazine	Dacarbazine+Placebo	Robert, NEJM 2011 Maio, JCO 2015	Insufficient follow-up No PFS curves
NCT00257205	1 <sup>st</sup>	Tremelimumab+SOC	SOC	Ribas, JCO 2013	No PFS curves
Checkmate-066 NCT01721772	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nivolumab	Dacarbazine	Robert, NEJM 2015 Ascierto, JAMA Oncol 2019	Insufficient follow-up
Checkmate-037 NCT01721746	2nd	Nivolumab	ICC	Weber, Lancet Oncol 2015 Larkin, JCO 2018	No PFS curves of overall population
Keynote 006 NCT01866319	1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pembrolizumab 10mg/kg Q2w Pembrolizumab 10mg/kg Q3w	Ipilimumab	Robert, NEJM 2015 Schaster, Lancet 2017 Robert, Lancet Oncol 2019	Insufficient follow-up Insufficient follow-up
CheckMate 067 NCT01844505	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nivolumab Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	Ipilimumab	Larkin, NEJM 2015 Wolchock, NEJM 2017 Hodi, Lancet 2018 Larkin, NEJM 2019	Insufficient follow-up
NCT01515189	1 <sup>st</sup> or latter	Ipilimumab 10mg/kg	lpilimumab 3mg/kg	Ascierto, Lancet Oncol 2017	
Keynote-252 NCT02752074	1 <sup>st</sup>	Epacadostat + Pembrolizumab	Pembrolizumab	Long, Lancet Oncol 2019	Insufficient follow-up

#### eTable2. Randomized Phase III Trials of Advanced/Metastatic Melanoma Identified From the Literature

# Lung Cancer Publications

#### Phase III trials identified from PubMed search (n=26)

- Antonia SJ, Borghaei H, Ramalingam SS, Horn L, De Castro Carpeño J, Pluzanski A, Burgio MA, Garassino M, Chow LQM, Gettinger S, Crinò L, Planchard D, Butts C, Drilon A, Wojcik-Tomaszewska J, Otterson GA, Agrawal S, Li A, Penrod JR, Brahmer J. Four-year survival with nivolumab in patients with previously treated advanced non-small-cell lung cancer: a pooled analysis. Lancet Oncol. 2019 Oct;20(10):1395-1408
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- Mok TSK, Wu YL, Kudaba I, Kowalski DM, Cho BC, Turna HZ, Castro G Jr, Srimuninnimit V, Laktionov KK, Bondarenko I, Kubota K, Lubiniecki GM, Zhang J, Kush D, Lopes G; KEYNOTE-042 Investigators. Pembrolizumab versus chemotherapy for previously untreated, PD-L1-expressing, locally advanced or metastatic non-small-cell lung cancer (KEYNOTE-042): a randomised, open-label, controlled, phase 3 trial. Lancet. 2019 May 4;393(10183):1819-1830
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#### **Characteristics of clinical trials**

<b>Table 3.</b> Randomized Phase III Trials of Advanced/Metastatic NSLC Identified From the Literature
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	Line	Experimental arm	Standard Arm		
CheckMate-017 NCT01642004	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nivolumab	Docetaxel	Brahmer J, NEJM 2015 Horn, JCO 2017 Vokes, Annal of Onco 2017 Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	Insufficient follow-up No PFS curve
CheckMate-057 NCT01673867	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nivolumab	Docetaxel	Borghaei, NEJM 2015 Horn, JCO 2017 Vokes, Annal of Onco 2017 Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	Insufficient follow-up
KEYNOTE-010 NCT01905657	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pembrolizumab 2mg/kg Pembrolizumab 10mg/kg	Docetaxel	Herbst, Lancet 2016	Insufficient follow-up
Keynote 024 NCT02142738	1 <sup>st</sup>	Pembrolizumab	platinum-based chemotherapy+/- maintenance (permetrexed)	Reck, NEJM 2016 Reck, JCO 2019	Insufficient follow-up No PFS curve
OAK NCT02008227	2 <sup>nd</sup> or latter	Atezolizumab	Docetaxel	Rittmeyer, Lancet 2017 Fehrenbacher, JTO 2018 Von Pawel, EJC 2019	Insufficient follow-up No PFS curve
CHECKMATE-026 NCT02041533	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nivolumab	Platinum-based Chemotherapy+/- maintenance (permetrexed)	Carbone, NEJM 2017	Insufficient follow-up
CA184-104 NCT01285609	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ipilimumab+Chemotherapy	Chemotherapy	Govindan, JCO 2017	
PACIFIC NCT02125461	Maintena nce	Durvalumab	Placebo	Antonia, NEJM 2017 Antonia, NEJM 2018	Insufficient follow-up
Keynote 407 NCT02775435	1st	Pembrolizumab+Chemotherapy	Chemotherapy	Paz Ares, NEJM 2018	Insufficient follow-up
CheckMate-227-TMB NCT02477826	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nivolumab+Ipilimumab	Platinum-based Chemotherapy+/- maintenance (permetrexed)	Hellmann, NEJM 2018	Insufficient follow-up
CheckMate-227- PDL1>=1% NCT02477826	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nivolumab+Ipilimumab	Chemotherapy Nivolumab	Hellmann, NEJM 2019	
CheckMate-227-PDL1<1% NCT02477826	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nivolumab+Ipilimumab Nivolumab+Chemotherapy	Chemotherapy Nivolumab+ Platinum based chemotherapy	Hellmann, NEJM 2019	
Keynote-189 NCT02578680	1 <sup>st</sup>	Pembrolizumab+Chemotherapy	Platinum based chemotherapy	Gandhi, NEJM 2018	Insufficient follow-up
Impower-150 NCT02366143	1 <sup>st</sup>	Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab + Carboplatin + Paclitaxel	Bevacizumab + Carboplatin + Paclitaxel	Socinski, NEJM 2018	Insufficient follow-up
Javelin Lung 200	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Avelumab	Docetaxel	Barlesi Lancet Onco 2018	Insufficient follow-up

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NCT02395172					
KEYNOTE-042 NCT02220894	1 <sup>st</sup>	Pembrolizumab	Chemotherapy	Mok, Lancet 2019	Insufficient follow-up
CHECKMATE 078 NCT02613507	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nivolumab	Docetaxel	Wu, J Thorac Oncol 2019	Insufficient follow-up
CAURAL NCT02454933	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Osimertinib + Durvalumab	Osimertinib	Yang, J Thorac Oncol 2019	No PFS curve. Early termination
IMPOWER 130 NCT02367781	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Atezolizumab+chemotherapy	Chemotherapy	West Lancet Oncol, 2019	Insufficient follow-up

# eTable 4. Randomized Phase III Trials Which Included Patients With Advanced/Metastatic SCLC Identified From Reviewing the Literature

	Line	Experimental arm	Standard Arm		
CA184-156 NCT01450761		lpilimumab+ etoposide+platinum	Etoposide+platinum	Reck, JCO 2016	No clear evidence of long-term response
IMpower133 NCT02763579		Atezolizumab+Chemotherapy	Chemotherapy	Horn, NEJM 2018	Insufficient follow-up

# eAppendix 2. Data Extraction and Accuracy of IPD Reconstruction

# Data extraction and IPD reconstruction

Individual Patient Data (IPD) were reconstructed from the published Kaplan-Meier curves for each of the trial arms using the iterative Guyot et al. algorithm (Guyot, BMC Med Res Methodol. 2012). The webplotdigitizer software was used to extract the time and PFS coordinates from published curves (Ohatgi A. Accessed February 18, 2020. https://automeris.io/WebPlotDigitizer/). The number of at-risk patients and the number of events were extracted, if available. IPD were reconstructed from extracted data using the iterative Guyot et al. algorithm on Stata (ipdfc) (Wei Y, Stata J 20177).

# Accuracy of IPD reconstruction

#### Progression free survival endpoint

To evaluate the accuracy of the reconstructed IPD data, we compared the number of events, median PFS and PFS rates reported in published articles for given timepoints, to the corresponding reconstructed values obtained.

The number of events was reported in 7 publications (19 treatment arms). We found a median difference of 3.0 events (Range: [0.0; 29.0], mean: 5.7 and 95%CI=[1.7; 9.6]). The median PFS periods were reported in 13 publications (39 treatment arms) with a median difference of 0.2 months (range: [0.0; 0.7], mean: 0.2 and 95%CI=[0.1: 0.3]) between the values reported in the article and the reconstructed data.

In the 9 publications (30 treatment arms) that reported PFS estimates at given timepoints, we detected a median difference of 0.3 (Range: [0.0; 1.5], mean: 0.5 and 95%CI=[0.3; 0.7]), with the survival probability scale ranging from 0% to 100%.

			Number o			an PFS		PFS ra	tes at tim	
Ref	Trial	Arm	Publi.	Digit.	Publi.	Digit.		t	Publi.	Digit.
Hodi, NEJM 2010	CA184-002	Ipilimumab		123	2.86	3.04		3	57.7	57.5
		ĠP100		129	2.76	2.91		3	48.5	49.4
		Ipilimumab + GP100		365	2.76	2.98		3	49.1	48.0
Ascierto, Lancet Oncol 2017	NCT01515189	Ipilimumab 3mg/kg	330	323	2.8	2.8				
·		Ipilimumab 10mg/kg	328	314	2.8	3.0				
Larkin, JCO 2018	Checkmate 037	ICC	74	77	3.7	3.9				
		Nivolumab	182	184	3.1	3.5				
Robert, Lancet Oncol 2019	Keynote 006	Ipilimumab		216	3.4	3.6		48		
		Pembrolizumab 10mg/kg Q3w		197	9.7	9.8		48	23	23.0
		Pembrolizumab 10mg/kg Q2w		197	8.4	9.0		48	23	24.0
Wolchok, NEJM 2017	Checkmate 067	Ipilimumab		242	2.9	3.2		24	12	12.5
		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab		176	11.5	11.6		24	43	42.0
		Nivolumab		203	6.9	7.2		24	37	37.0
Hodi, Lancet Oncol 2018	Checkmate 067	Ipilimumab	258	253	2.9	3.0		48	9	9.7
		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	182	177	11.5	12.1		48	37	37.2
		Nivolumab	201	203	6.9	7.2		48	31	31.1
Larkin, NEJM 2019	Checkmate 067	Ipilimumab		255	2.9	2.9		60	8	8.3
		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab		181	11.5	11.5		60	36	36.7
		Nivolumab		206	6.9	7.2		60	29	29.0
Ascierto, JAMA Oncol 2019	Checkmate 066	Dacarbazine	172	172	2.2	2.3		36	2.9	2.8
		Nivolumab	134	138	5.1	5.2		36	32.2	32.1
Horn, JCO 2017	Checkmate 017	Docetaxel	123	123	2.8	2.9		12	7	7.5
		Nivolumab	109	111	3.5	4.2		12	21	22.2
Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	Checkmate 017	Docetaxel	123	124	2.6	3.0		12	7.3	7.5
		Nivolumab	112	113	3.5	4.2		12	21.0	21.4
Horn, JCO 2017	Checkmate 057	Docetaxel	249	248	4.3	4.3		12	9	9.1
		Nivolumab	240	243	2.3	2.8		12	19	20.5
Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	Checkmate 057	Docetaxel	250	246	4.4	4.4		12	9.8	10.5
		Nivolumab	241	241	2.3	2.4		12	19.1	20.6
Fehrenbacher, JTO 2018	OAK	Docetaxel		530	3.8	4.0				
		Atezolizumab		538	2.7	2.8				
Govindan, JCO 2017	CA184-104	Placebo + Chemotherapy	345	316	5.6	5.6				
·		Ipilimumab + Chemotherapy	359	334	5.6	5.6				
Hellmann, NEJM 2019	Checkmate 227	Chemotherapy		282	5.6	5.6		12	19	18.9
	PDL1 ≥ 1%	Nivolumab		312	4.2	4.2		12	26	26.2
		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab		285	5.0	5.0	1	12	33	34.1
Hellmann, NEJM 2019	Checkmate 227	Chemotherapy		144	4.7	5.2		12	14	13.9
	PDL1 < 1%	Nivolumab + Chemotherapy		144	5.6	5.8		12	26	25.8
		Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	1	134	5.1	5.1	1	12	31	31.9

eTable5. Reconstructed Data Quality After Digitalization (PFS)

Publi = From publication, Digit = from digitalized data

# eAppendix 3. Splines and Flexible Parametric Cure Model

#### Restricted cubic spline

The restricted cubic spline can be expressed as

$$s\{\ln(t), \boldsymbol{\gamma}_0, \boldsymbol{k}_0\} = \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{01} x_1(\ln(t)) + \dots + \gamma_{0K-1} x_{K-1}(\ln(t))$$

with the derived functions  $x_1, ..., x_K$  defined as follows

$$x_{1}(\ln(t)) = \ln(t)$$

$$x_{j}(\ln(t)) = \left(\ln(t) - k_{0j}\right)_{+}^{3} - \theta_{j}(\ln(t) - k_{01})_{+}^{3} - \left(1 - \theta_{j}\right)(\ln(t) - k_{0K})_{+}^{3} \text{ for } j=2,...,K-1$$

$$k_{V}-k_{j}$$

Where  $\theta_j = \frac{k_K - k_j}{k_K - k_1}$  and  $(u)_+ = u$  if u > 0 and 0 if  $u \le 0$ .

#### Estimation of long-term responder fraction

Flexible parametric cure models were used to predict the long-term responder fraction by modeling the cumulative hazard (denoted H(t)). In a proportional hazards model, the log cumulative hazard function was modeled using natural cubic splines:

$$\ln\{H(t,z)\} = s\{\ln(t), \boldsymbol{\gamma}_0, \boldsymbol{k}_0\} + \beta z$$

where  $s\{\ln(t), \gamma_0, k_0\}$  is the restricted cubic spline function of log time with  $k_0 = (k_{01}, ..., k_{0K})$  the position of the *K* knots,  $\gamma_0 = (\gamma_{00}, ..., \gamma_{0K-1})$  values for the parameters, *z* is the treatment and  $\beta$  the corresponding coefficient.

To deal with non-proportional hazards, a time-dependent effect was included in the model by including an interaction between treatment and a second spline function:

$$\ln\{H(t,z)\} = s\{\ln(t), \boldsymbol{\gamma}_0, \boldsymbol{k}_0\} + \beta z + s\{\ln(t), \boldsymbol{\gamma}_1, \boldsymbol{k}_1\}z$$

with  $s\{\ln(t), \gamma_1, k_1\}$  the spline function for the time-dependent treatment effect with a vector of knots  $k_1$  and  $\gamma_1$  values for the parameters.

By adapting the Mozumder *et al.* approach (Mozumder et al., Statistics in Medicine 2018), the long-term responder fraction was estimated within the flexible parametric model by forcing the log cumulative hazard to plateau after the last knot (the cumulative hazard function was constrained toa zero slope after a specific timepoint). The knots were specified in reverse order  $(k_K, ..., k_1)$  and the last spline parameter was restricted to zero. The cumulative hazard is then expressed as

$$H(t, z) = \exp[s\{\ln(t), \boldsymbol{\gamma}_0, \boldsymbol{k}_0\} + \beta z + s\{\ln(t), \boldsymbol{\gamma}_1, \boldsymbol{k}_1\}z]$$

The survival (S(t, z)) is given by

$$\begin{split} \exp[-H(t,z)] &= \exp\{-\exp[s\{\ln(t), \gamma_0, k_0\} + \beta z + s\{\ln(t), \gamma_1, k_1\}z]\} \\ &= \exp\{-\exp(\gamma_{00} + \beta z) \exp[\gamma_{02} x_2(\ln(t)) + \dots + \gamma_{0K-1} x_{K-1}(\ln(t)) + s\{\ln(t), \gamma_1, k_1\}z]\} \end{split}$$

and the long-term responder fraction can be estimated for any treatment modality by  $\exp[-\exp(\gamma_{00} + \beta z)]$  (time-fixed component). FPCM is a special case of a non-mixture cure model with the distribution function  $F(t, Z) = \exp[\gamma_{02}x_2(\ln(t)) + \dots + \gamma_{0K-1}x_{K-1}(\ln(t)) + s\{\ln(t), \gamma_1, k_1\}z]$  (time-dependent component).

Covariates included in distribution F (time-dependent component) characterize a "short-term effect", but covariates do not describe the survival for those who are not long-term responders (Othus, Clinical cancer research 2012).

As long as no time-dependent effects are modelled, the FPCM can be written as a proportional hazards model. For models with time-dependent effects, the PH assumptions are violated and HRs may not provide a relevant summary measure of the treatment effect in Table 1. The PH assumption is not appropriate, for example, where the primary effect of a treatment is ultimately in the long-term responder fraction, with little difference in early outcome, nor would it be appropriate if an early difference in outcome did not translate into a difference in the long-term responder fraction.

#### Estimation of treatment effect in the non-long-term responder population

As proposed by Chen et al. (Chen, JASA 2012), the mathematical expression of progression free survival in the non-long-term responder population was modelled as a function of the long-term responder fraction and the distribution characterizing the short-term effect

$$S_{NLR}(t,z) = \frac{S(t,z) - \exp\left[-\exp(\gamma_{00} + \beta z)\right]}{1 - \exp\left[-\exp(\gamma_{00} + \beta z)\right]}$$

Progression Free survival in the non-long term responder population was predicted using the Newton–Raphson algorithm. In the non-long-term responder fraction, the treatment effect was therefore measured by a time-dependent hazard ratio with corresponding 95% confidence intervals (obtained by a robust bootstrap method with 1000 samples). Time varying hazard ratios and their corresponding confidence intervals were interpreted from graphs.

# Goodness-of-fit and location of internal knots

According to recommendations provided in the literature (Ng, Diagnostic and Prognostic Research 2018), restricted cubic splines ranging from four to eight knots (i.e., two to six interior knots) were examined for the baseline hazard. As recommended by Andersson et al. (Andersson, Stata Journal 2012), the knots were by default located at different percentiles of the distribution of uncensored log event times (eTable ) and the last knot was placed after the last observed follow-up time. As fewer knots were required for the time-dependent effect, the number of internal knots was restricted between 1 and 5 and internal knots were placed at equally distributed quantiles of the log of the uncensored event times. A total of 20 FPCMs were investigated for each treatment comparison. Goodness-of-fit was assessed using the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) and the Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC). Models with the lowest AIC and BIC were considered to have the best fit. In cases where AIC and BIC were discordant, the BIC was considered. The BIC corresponds to the most parsimonious model with the lowest number of knots and was preferred in order to limit the risk of over-parametrization.

The table below presents internal knot locations according to centiles of the distribution of the uncensored log survival times for baseline hazard and time-dependent treatment effects.

No. of Internal	Baseline Hazard	Time-dependent effect
knots	(Percentiles)	(Percentiles)
1	Not applicable	50
2	50 95	33 67
3	33 67 95	25 50 75
4	25 50 75 95	20 40 60 80
5	20 40 60 80 95	17 33 50 67 83
6	17 33 50 67 83 95	Not applicable

eTable6. Internal Knot Locations for Baseline Hazard and Time-Dependent Treatment Effects (FPCM)

# eAppendix 4. Royston and Parmar Model – Overall Survival

# Royston Parmar model - Goodness-of-fit and location of internal knots

In the Royston Parmar model, the mathematical expression of the log cumulative hazard is similar to the FPCM (Appendix C):

$$\ln\{H(t,z)\} = s\{\ln(t), \gamma_0, k_0\} + \beta z + s\{\ln(t), \gamma_1, k_1\}z$$

To improve the stability of the fitted function, the boundary knots of the restricted cubic splines are located at the extremes of uncensored survival times. To allow flexibility (Royston, Stat Med 2002), restricted cubic splines ranging from one to six interior knots were examined to model the baseline hazard. For the time-dependent effect, the number of investigated internal knots varied between 1 and 5. Models with the lowest AIC and BIC were considered to have the best fit. In cases where AIC and BIC were discordant, the BIC was considered. The BIC corresponds to the most parsimonious model with the lowest number of knots and was preferred to limit the risk of over-parametrization. The table below presents internal knot locations for the baseline hazard and the time-dependent treatment effect.

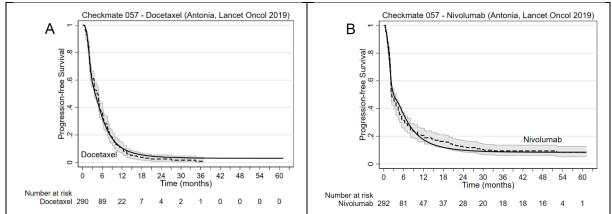
eTable 7. Internal Knot Locations for Baseline Hazard and Time-Dependent Treatment Effects	
(Royston Parmar)	

No. of Internal	Baseline Hazard	Time-dependent effect
knots	(Percentiles)	(Percentiles)
1	50	50
2	33 67	33 67
3	25 50 75	25 50 75
4	20 40 60 80	20 40 60 80
5	17 33 50 67 83	17 33 50 67 83
6	14 29 43 57 71 86	Not applicable

# eAppendix 5. Model Selection and Sensitivity Analysis

To evaluate the sensitivity of the number of knots in the FPCM, we compared the FPCM model hazard ratios and long-term responder fractions of different knot positions and varying numbers of knots. The sensitivity analysis was performed on the 6 models with the lowest BIC.

# Illustrative data set: Checkmate 57 update (Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019)

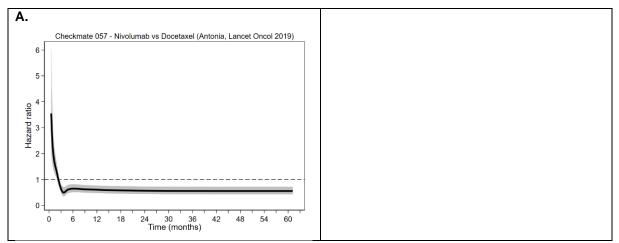


#### Model selected for main analysis

eFigure 1. Reconstructed PFS Kaplan-Meier Plots With 95% Confidence Intervals and FPCM Curves (Main Model) for Patients With Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer In Checkmate-057

A. Docetaxel Arm, B Nivolumab Arm.

#### Time varying hazard ratios estimated from main analysis: Overall



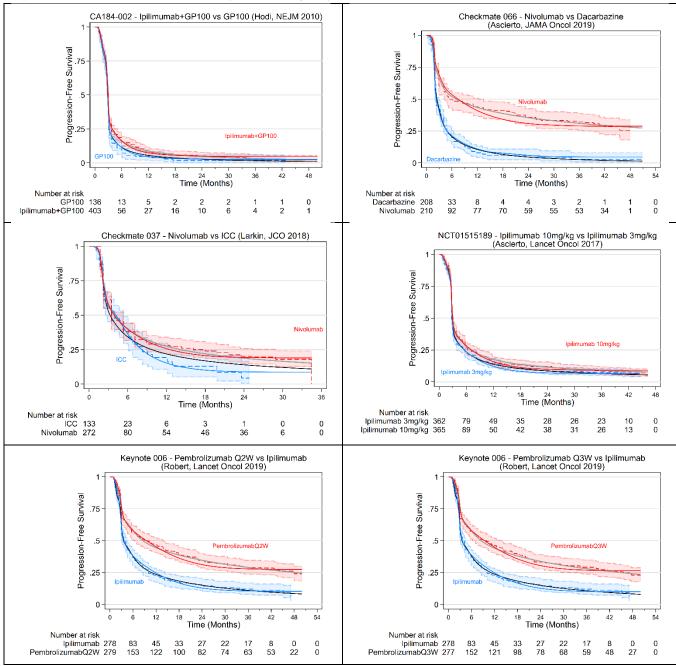
eFigure 2. Time-Dependent Hazard Ratios With 95% Confidence Intervals Estimated From the Main Analysis Overall Population

# Melanoma Trials

# Model selected for main analysis

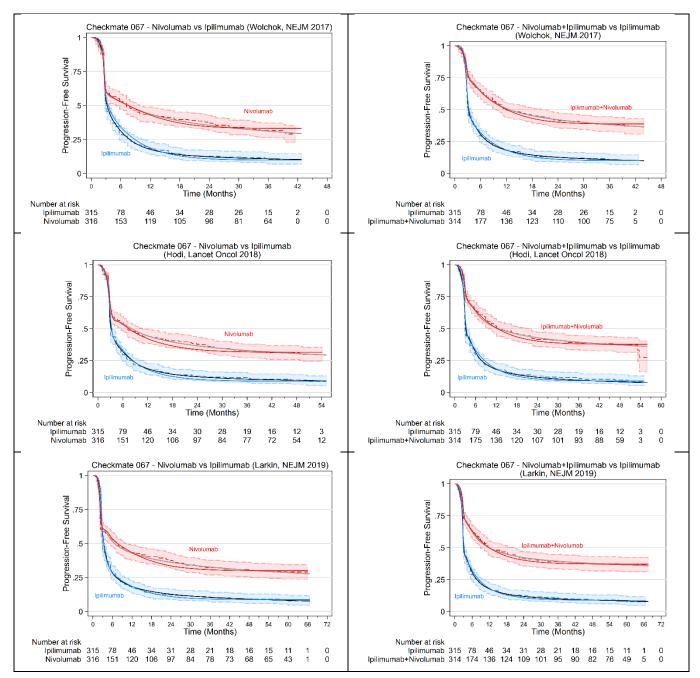
Trial	Comparison		Main Model
	Experimental vs Standard	Ref	$K_0 / K_1$
		Melanoma Trial	· · ·
CA184-002	Ipilimumab + GP100 vs GP100	Hodi, NEJM 2010	5/0
Checkmate066	Nivolumab vs Dacarbazine	Ascierto, JAMA Oncol 2019	6/0
Checkmate037	Nivolumab vs ICC	Larkin, JCO 2018	5/4
Keynote 006	Pembrolizumab Q2w vs Ipilimumab	Robert, Lancet Oncol 2019	5/0
	Pembrolizumab Q3w vs Ipilimumab		5/0
CheckMate- 067	Nivolumab vs Ipilimumab	Wolchok, NEJM 2017	5 / 1
		Hodi, Lancet Oncol 2018	6 / 1
		Larkin, NEJM 2019	6/3
	Nivolumab + Ipilimumab vs Ipilimumab	Wolchok, NEJM 2017	5/2
		Hodi, Lancet Oncol 2018	5/0
		Larkin, NEJM 2019	5/0
NCT01515189 Ipilimumab 10mg/kg vs Ipilimumab 3mg/kg		Ascierto, Lancet Oncol 2017	6/0

**eTable8.** Number of Internal Knots for Baseline Hazard ( $K_0$ ) and Time-Dependent Treatment Effects ( $K_1$ ) for the Main Analysis – Advanced/Metastatic Melanoma



Kaplan-Meier curves and FPCM (main analysis) based on reconstructed data

eFigure 3. Reconstructed PFS Kaplan-Meier Plots With 95% Confidence Intervals and FPCM Curves (Main Model) for Patients With Melanoma



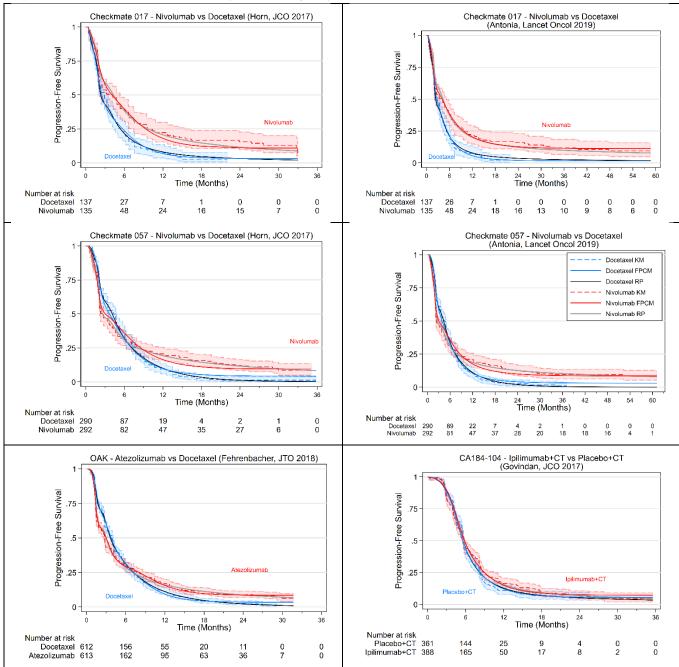
eFigure 3 (continued): Reconstructed PFS Kaplan-Meier plots with 95% confidence intervals and FPCM curves (main model) for patients with melanoma

# Non-small-cell lung cancer trials

# Model selected for main analysis

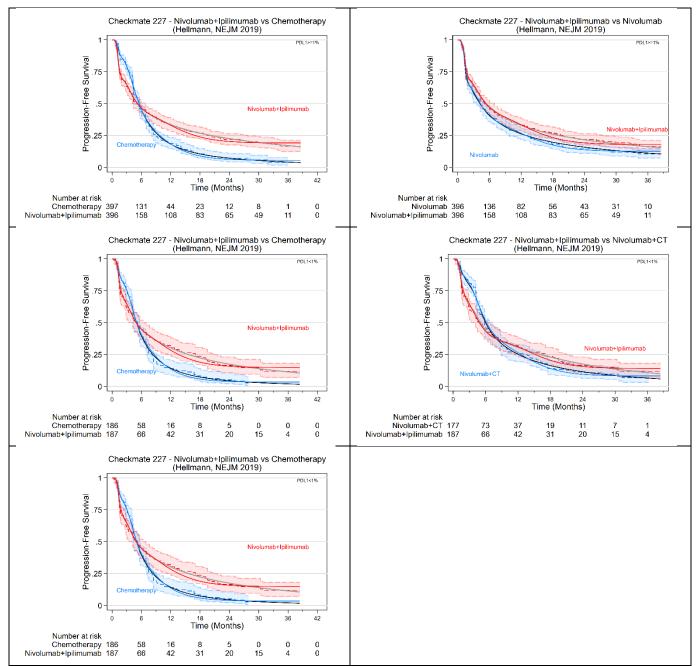
<b>eTable9.</b> Number of Internal Knots for Baseline Hazard $(K_0)$ and Time-Dependent Treatment Effects
$(K_1)$ for the Main Analysis – Advanced/Metastatic NSCLC

Trial	Comparison		Main Model	
	Experimental vs Standard	Ref	$K_0 / K_1$	
Checkmate 017	Nivolumab VS Docetaxel	Horn, JCO 2017	4/0	
		Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	5 / 1	
Checkmate 057	Nivolumab vs Docetaxel	Horn, JCO 2017	5/1	
		Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	5 / 1	
ΟΑΚ	Atezolizumab vs Docetaxel	Fehrenbacher, JTO 2018	6 / 4	
CA184-104	Ipilimumab+Chemo. vs Chemotherapy	Govindan, JCO 2017	4/0	
Checkmate 227 PDL1≥1%	Nivolumab+lpilimumab vs Chemotherapy	Hellmann, NEJM 2019	6/2	
	Nivolumab+Ipilimumab vs Nivolumab		6/0	
Checkmate 227 PDL1<1%	Nivolumab+Ipilimumab vs Chemotherapy	Hellmann, NEJM 2019	5/2	
	Nivolumab+Ipilimumab vs Nivolumab+Chemo		6/2	
	Nivolumab+ Chemotherapy vs Chemotherapy		6 / 0	



#### Kaplan-Meier curves and FPCM (main analysis) based on reconstructed data

eFigure 4. Reconstructed PFS Kaplan-Meier Plots With 95% Confidence Intervals and FPCM Curves (Main Model) for Patients With Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer



eFigure 4 (continued): Reconstructed PFS Kaplan-Meier plots with 95% confidence intervals and FPCM curves (main model) for patients with non-small-cell lung cancer

# Sensitivity Analysis

When the automatic process could not be performed, the sensitivity analysis of Checkmate-037 was conducted by manually assigning internal knots. The automatic knot finding process was not feasible when several knots were located at exactly the same timepoints. To avoid duplication of knot positions, one of the knots was therefore shifted to the next percentile of the event time.

#### Short-term treatment effect

The following table summarizes the sensitivity analysis and shows whether there is a statistically significant effect for each model: fixed effect and/or a time varying effect. For example, the models retained for the comparison of Nivo vs Ipi in Checkmate-067 (Wolchock, NEJM 2017) are: 1 model without tde (time-fixed component statistically significant) and 5 models with tde (both time-fixed and time-dependent component are statistically significant).

Discordant results between the main and the sensitivity analysis were observed for four comparisons of the time-dependent effect:

- CA184-104: 3 models without any significant time-fixed effect and 3 tde models with both components statistically significant. The FPCM retained for the main analysis is one of the most parsimonious.
- Checkmate 227 PDL1<1% (Nivo+Ipi vs Nivo+ Chemo.): Among the 6 models retained in the sensitivity analysis (all with time varying effects), only one was statistically significant for both time-fixed and time-dependent components, and 5 models were significant for the time-dependent component alone. **eFigure5 5** presents the time varying HR for the main and sensitivity analyses. The main model and the first model not retained in the sensitivity analysis (with 5 internal nodes for the log hazard and no nodes for the time-dependent effect) had similar BICs (main model BIC=1003; other model: 1010). The 1010 model was the most parsimonious compared to main and sensitivity models. This may explain the inconclusive results obtained for this particular trial.
- Checkmate-017 (Antonia, 2019): The main model contains a time-dependent effect (BIC:798.05). Among the 6 models retained in the sensitivity analysis, 4 models only had time-fixed effects and 2 models time-dependent effects. The first sensitivity model was more parsimonious compared to the main analysis (BIC=798.74). These results suggest only a treatment effect on the long-term responder fraction. The result obtained in one other comparison needs to be interpreted in details:
- Checkmate-067 (Nivo + Ipi vs Ipi) (Larkin, 2019): A short term effect was identified in four sensitivity models. The FPCM retained for the main analysis is the most parsimonious.

# eTable10. Estimation of Treatment Effects Using the FPCM and the Cox Proportional Model for the Main Analysis and Treatment Effects Obtained in the Sensitivity Analysis (6 Models)

Trial Acrual period	Comparison Main Analysis			Sensitivity Analysis (n=6) b				
	Experimental vs Standard	Ref Cut-off date	Сох	FPCM a		Model with tve	LRF Signi ficati ve	Short Term Signific ative
	Melanoma Trial							
CA184-002	lpi + GP100 vs GP100	Hodi, NEJM 2010	0.85 [0.69; 1.03]	0.84 [0.68; 1.02]	Tfc: p=0.082	5	0	0
Checkmate-066 2013/01 – 2014/02	Nivo (n=210) vs Dacarbazine (n=208)	Ascierto, JAMA Oncol 2019 2017/06	0.41 [0.32; 0.52]	0.40 [0.32; 0.51]	tfc: p <0.001	5	6	0
Checkmate-037 2012/12 - 2014/01	Nivo (n=272) vs ICC (n=133)	Larkin, JCO 2018 2016/03	0.78 [0.59; 1.02]	time varying	Tfc: p= 0.032 Tdc: p<0.001	5	5	0
Keynote-006 2013/09 - 2014/03	Pembro Q2w (n=279) vs lpi (n=278)	Robert, Lancet Oncol 2019 2018/12	0.57 [0.46; 0.69]	0.57 [0.47; 0.69]	Tfc: p<0.001	4	6	0
	Pembro Q3w (n=277) vs lpi (n=278)		0.57 [0.47; 0.70]	0.57 [0.47; 0.70]	Tfc: p<0.001	4	6	0
CheckMate-067 2013/07 - 2014/03	Nivo (n=316) vs lpi (n=315)	Wolchok, NEJM 2017 2017/05	0.59 [0.49; 0.71]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 tdc p<0.001	5	6	5
		Hodi, Lancet Oncol 2018 2018/05	0.56 [0.46; 0.67]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 tdc: p<0.001	5	6	5
		Larkin, NEJM 2019 2019/07	0.61 [0.51; 0.74]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 tdc: p<0.001	6	6	6
	Nivo + lpi (n=314) vs lpi (n=315)	Wolchok, NEJM 2017 2017/05	0.43 [0.35; 0.53]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 tdc: p<0.001	4	6	3
		Hodi, Lancet Oncol 2018 2018/05	0.40 [0.33; 0.49]	0.40 [0.33; 0.49]	Tfc: p<0.001	5	6	0
		Larkin, NEJM 2019 2019/07	0.41 [0.33; 0.49]	0.41 [0.33;0.49]	Tfc: p<0.001	5	6	4
NCT01515189 2012/02 - 2012/07	lpi 10mg/kg (n=365) vs lpi 3mg/kg (n=362)	Ascierto, Lancet Oncol 2017	0.86 [0.74; 1.01]	0.87 [0.75; 1.02]	Tfc: p=0.092	5	0	0
	Non-Small-Cell Lung Cance							
Checkmate-017 2012/10 - 2013/12	Nivo (n=135) vs Docetaxel (n=137)	Horn, JCO 2017 2016/02	0.64 [0.49; 0.84]	0.64 [0.49; 0.83]	Tfc: p<0.001	4	6	0
		Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019 2018/03	0.65 [0.50; 0.85]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 Tdc: p=0.009	2	6	2
Checkmate-057	Checkmate-057 2012/11 - 2013/12	Horn, JCO 2017 2016/02	0.92 [0.77; 1.11]	time varying	Tfc: p=0.004 Tdc: p<0.001	5	5	5
2012/11 - 2013/12		Antonia, Lancet Oncol 2019	0.93 [0.77; 1.11]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001	6	6	6

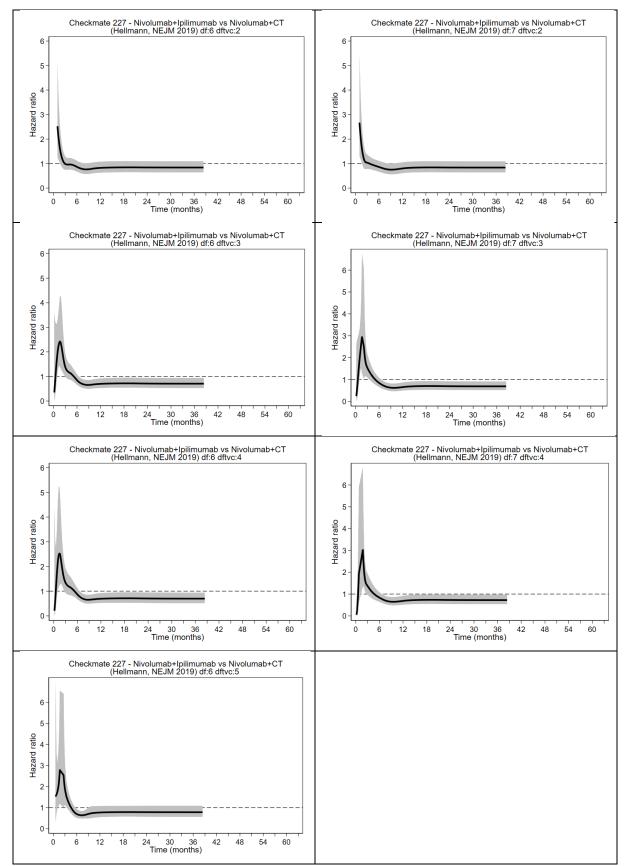
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		2018/03			Tdc: p<0.001			
OAK 2014/03 - 2015/04	Atezolizumab (n=613) vs Docetaxel (n=612)	Fehrenbacher, JTO 2018 2017/01	0.98 [0.87; 1.11]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 Tdc: p<0.001	6	6	6
CA184-104 2011/08 - 2015/06	lpi+Chemo. (n=388) vs Chemo (n=361)	Govindan, JCO 2017 2015/09	0.90 [0.77; 1.05]	0.90 [0.77; 1.05]	Tfc: p=0.180	3	3	3
Checkmate-227 PDL1≥1% 2015/08 - 2016/11	Nivo+Ipi (n=396) vs Chemo (n=397)		0.82 [0.70; 0.98]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 Tdc: p<0.001	6	6	6
	Nivo+Ipi (n=396) vs Nivo (n=396)		0.83 [0.71; 0.98]	0.83 [0.71; 0.98]	Tfc: p=0.025	5	6	1
Checkmate-227 PDL1<1%	Nivo+Ipi (n=187) vs Chemo (n=186)	Hellmann, NEJM 2019 2019/07	0.78 [0.61; 0.99]	time varying	Tfc: p<0.001 Tdc: p<0.001	6	6	6
	Nivo+Ipi (n=187) vs Nivo+ Chemo (n=177)	Hellmann, NEJM 2019	1.00 [0.79; 1.27]	time varying	Tfc: p=0.063 Tdc:p<0.001	6	0	6
	Nivo+ Chemo. (n=177) vs Chemo (n=186)		0.71 [0.56; 0.90]	0.72 [0.57; 0.91]	Tfc: P=0.007	5	6	0

a For models with a time-dependent effect one single HR may not provide a relevant measure of the treatment effect.

b. Number of sensitivity analyses with a model with time varying effect, Number of sensitivity analyses with a significant treatment effect in the LRF, Number

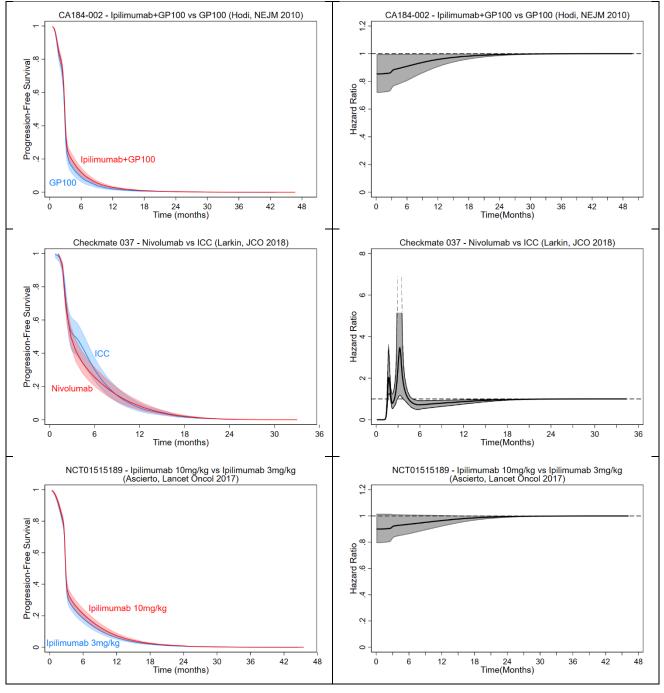
of sensitivity analyses with a significant short term treatment effect.



eFigure5. Checkmate 227 PDL1<1% Nivo+Ipi vs Nivo+ Chemo: Time-Dependent HRs With 95% Confidence Intervals Estimated From the Main and Sensitivity Analyses

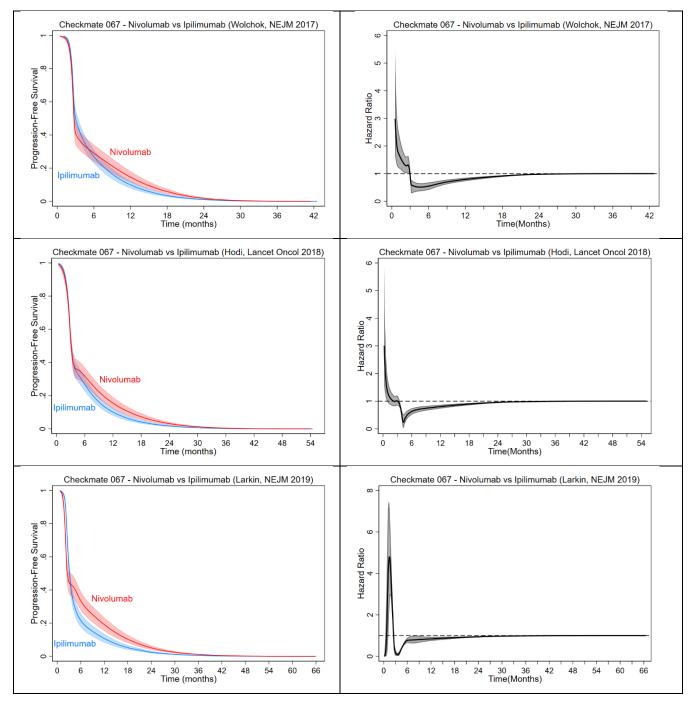
# Progression free survival and treatment effect in the non-long-term responder population

#### Melanoma

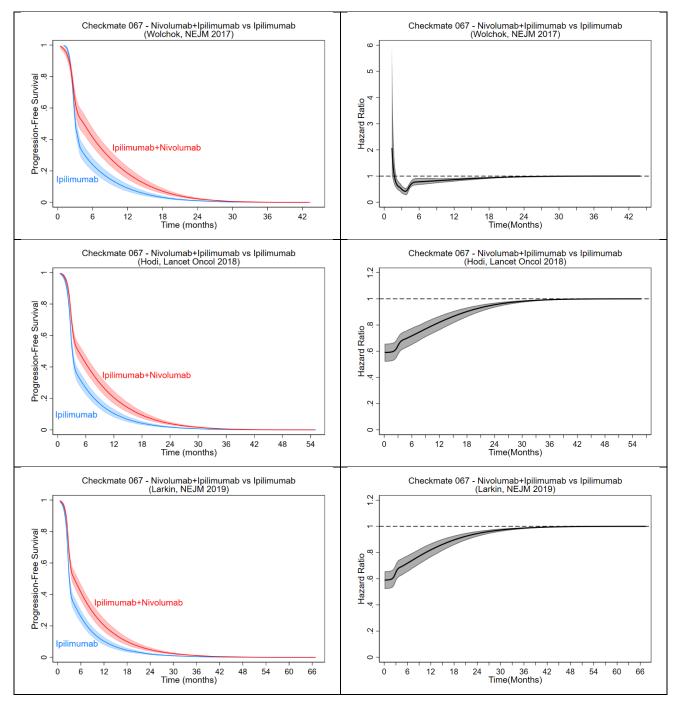


eFigure 6. Non-Long-Term Responder Population for patients with melanoma

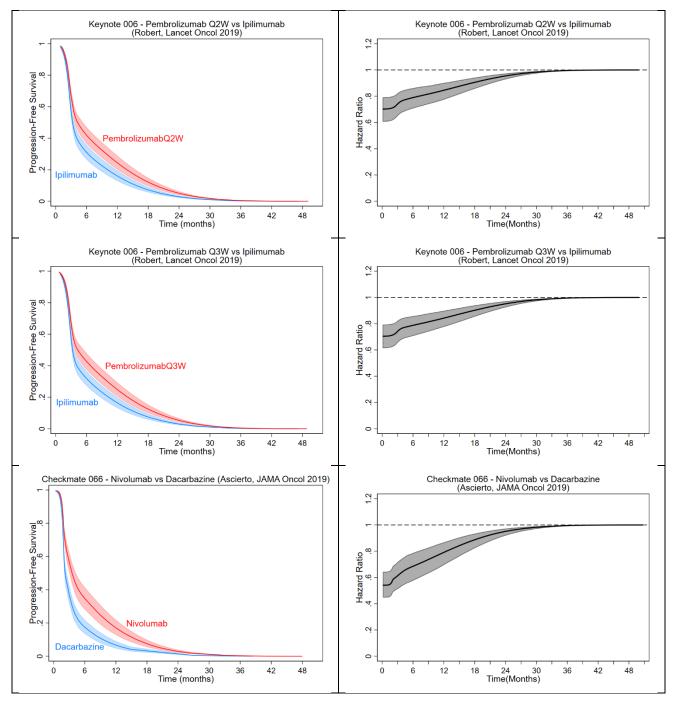
A. Progression free survival B. Hazard ratio and 95% confidence intervals and FPCM curves (main model) for patients with melanoma



eFigure 6 (continued): Non-long-term responder population for patients with melanoma A. Progression free survival B. Hazard ratio and 95% confidence intervals and FPCM curves (main model) for patients with melanoma

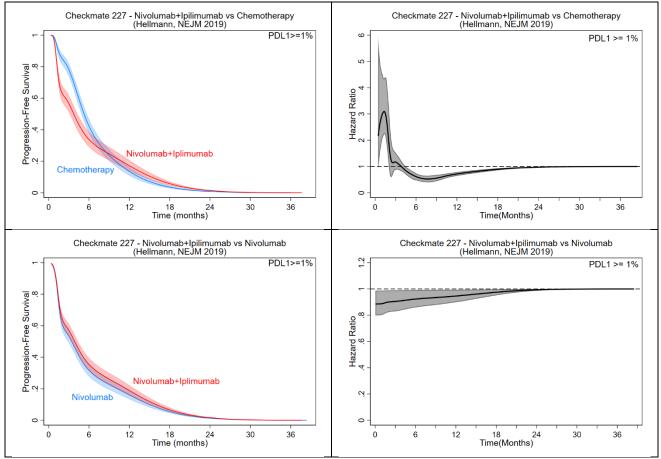


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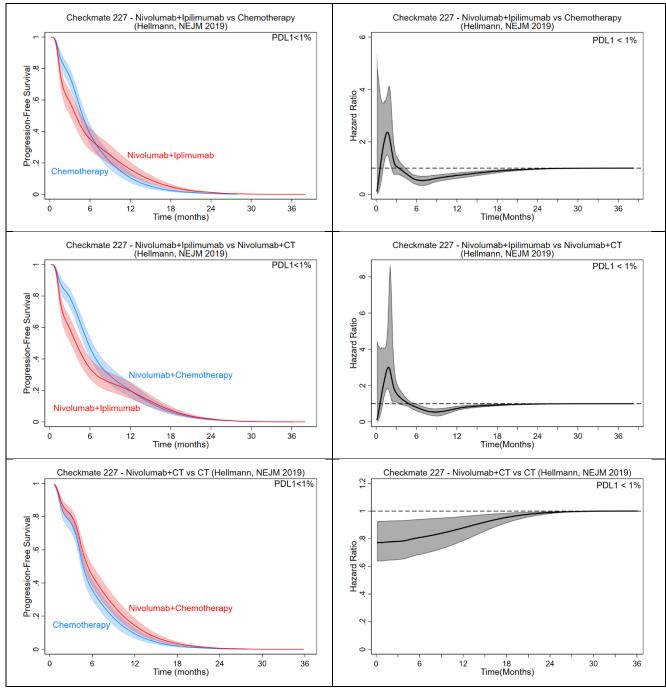
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#### Non Small Cell Lung Cancer

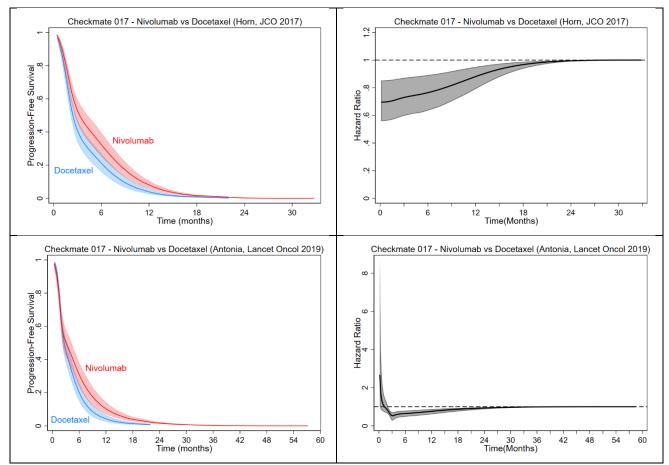


eFigure 7. Non-Long-Term Responder Population for patients with NSCLC

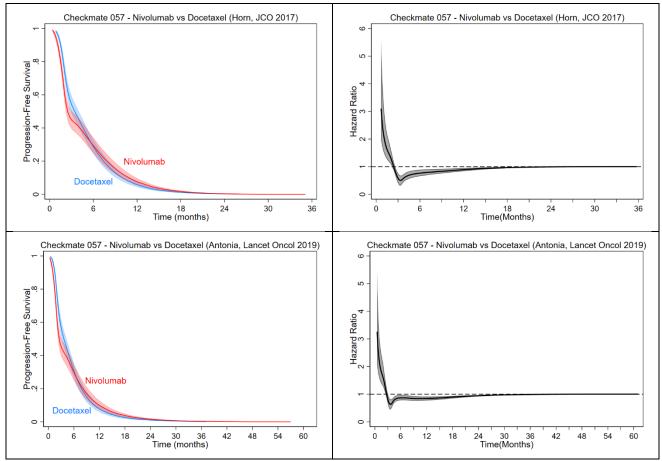
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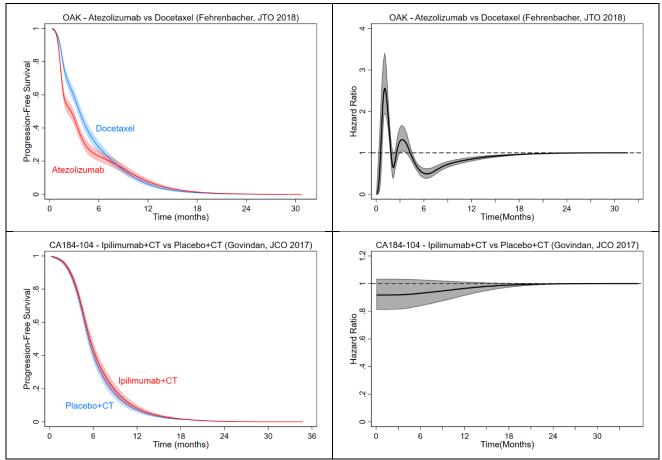
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eFigure 7 (continued): Non-long-term responder population for patients with NSCLC A. Progression free survival B. Hazard ratio and 95% confidence intervals and FPCM curves (main model) for patients with non-small-cell lung cancer



**eFigure 7** (continued): Non-long-term responder population for patients with NSCLC A. Progression free survival B. Hazard ratio and 95% confidence intervals and FPCM curves (main model) for patients with non-small-cell lung cancer