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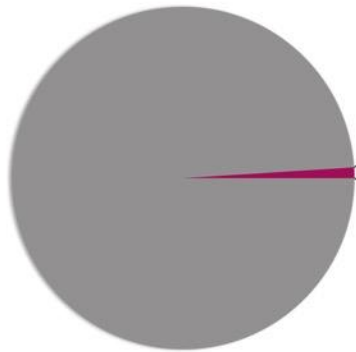
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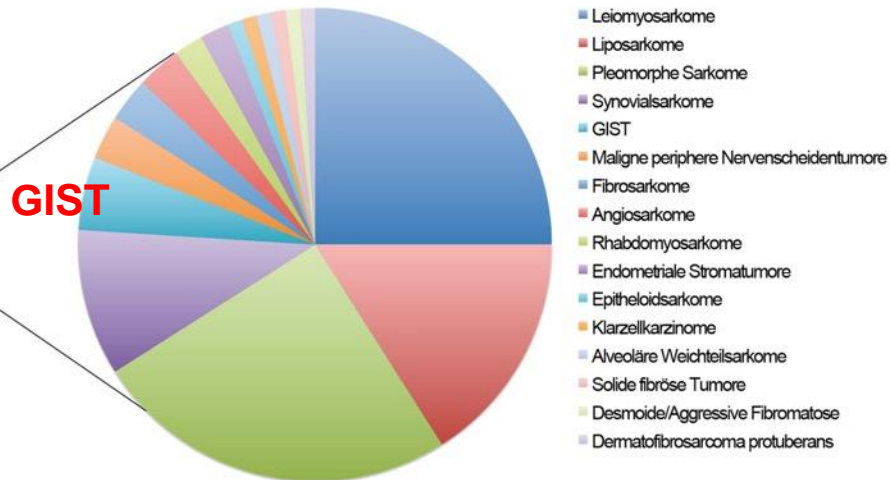
GastroIntestinal Stromal Tumor (GIST)

... a rare tumor!

Maligne Erkrankungen



Weichteilsarkome



15 per 1 million inh. (in Austria app. 120 newly diagnosed GIST pat. per year)
App. 10% M1 at initial diagnosis

...with limited number of therapeutic options?

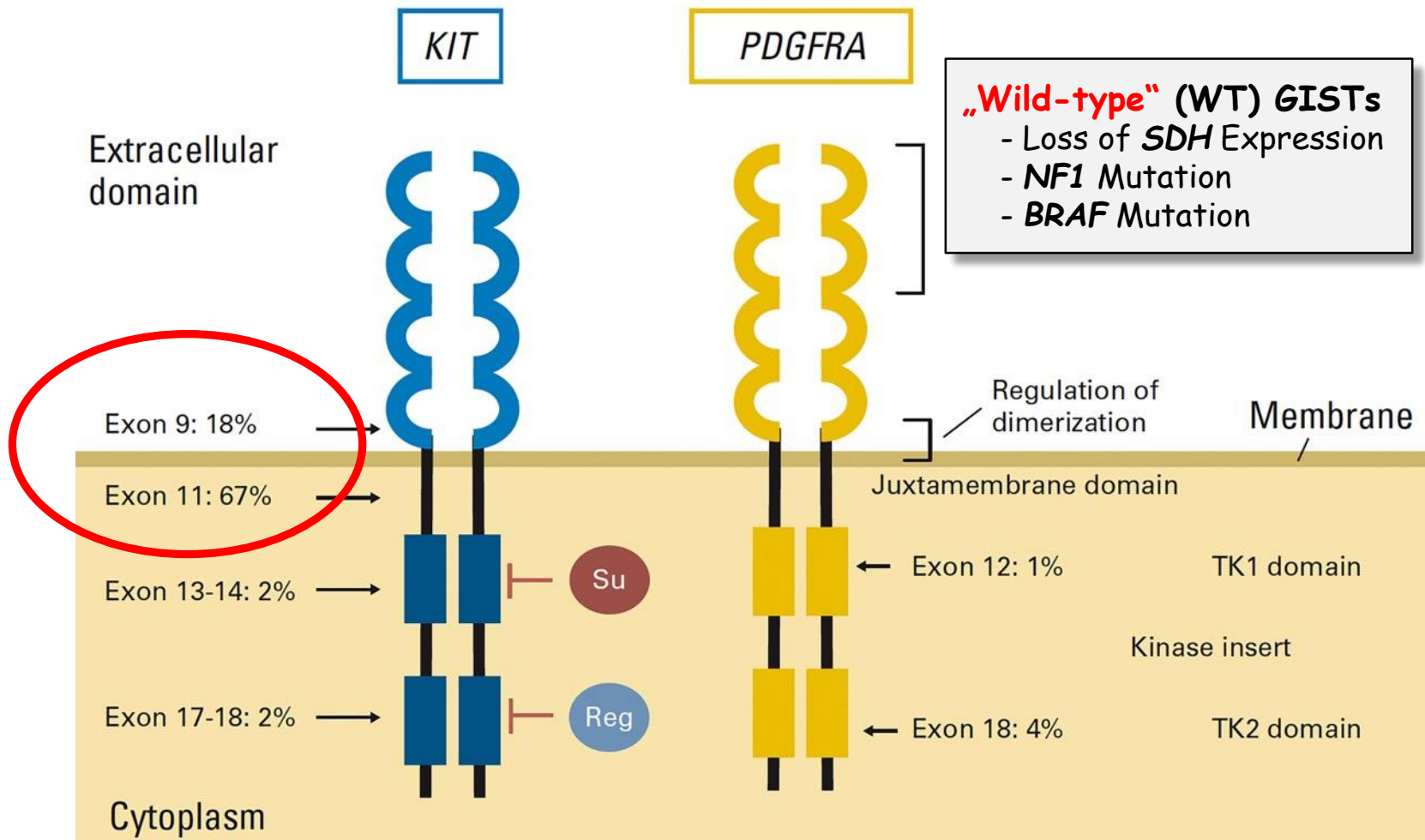
...until „1999“:

< 5% response to chemotherapy
mOS 14 months

Identification of „Driver-Mutations“ and „Targeted Therapy“

Oncogenic „Driver-Mutations“

85% of GISTs - activating mutations in *KIT* or *PDGFR α*

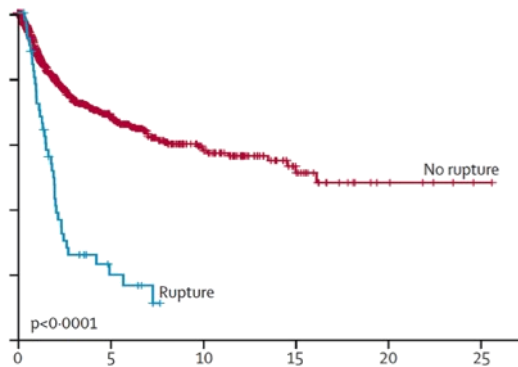


GIST – Risk Prediction

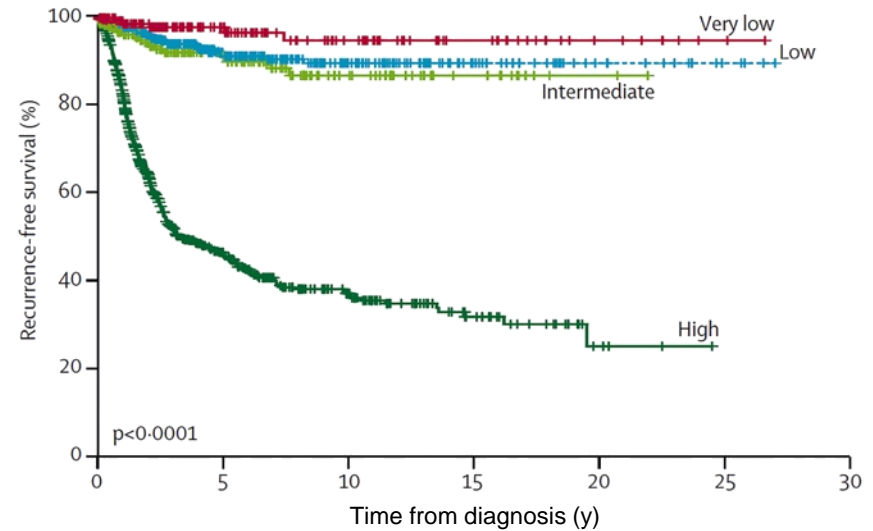
Post-operative relapse rate up to 50% → adjuvant Therapy?

Risk factors:

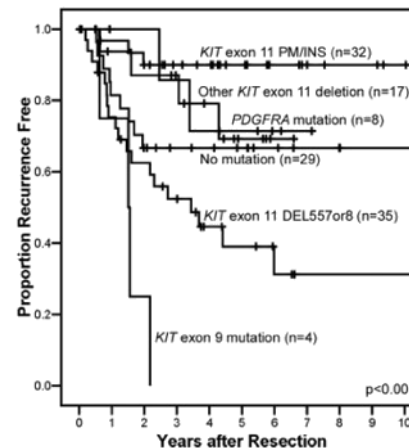
- Mitotic Count
 - Tu-Size
 - Tu-Localisation
 - Tumor Rupture
- } NIH /Fletcher Index
 } AFIP / Miettinen& Lasota



Joensuu *et al.*, Lancet Oncol., 2012



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DeMatteo *et al.*, Cancer, 2008

RFS based on
Mutational Status



Adjuvant Therapy Therapy M1

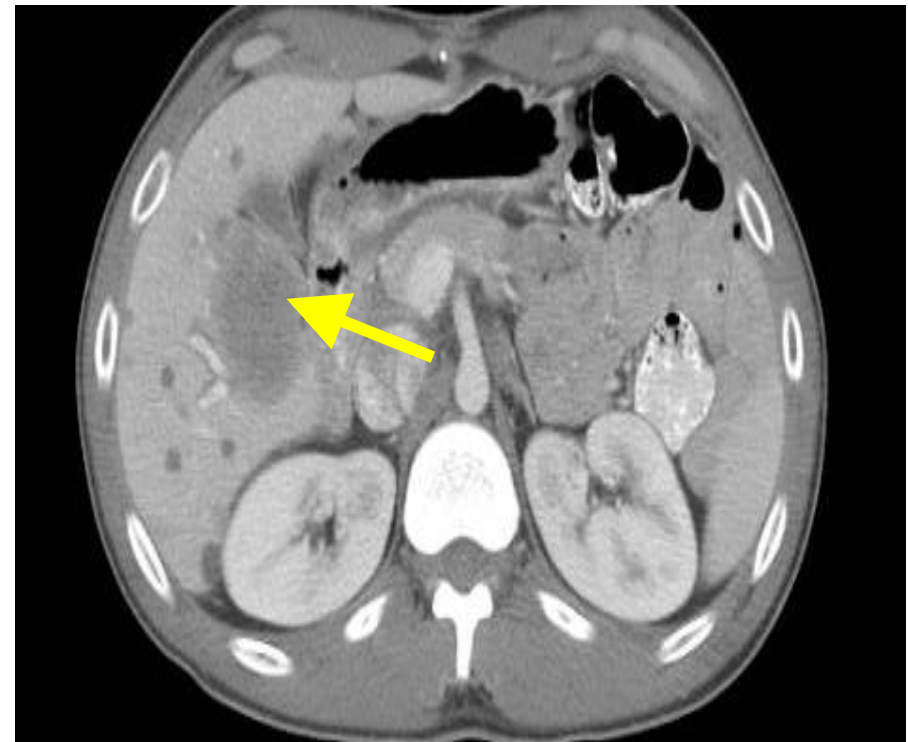
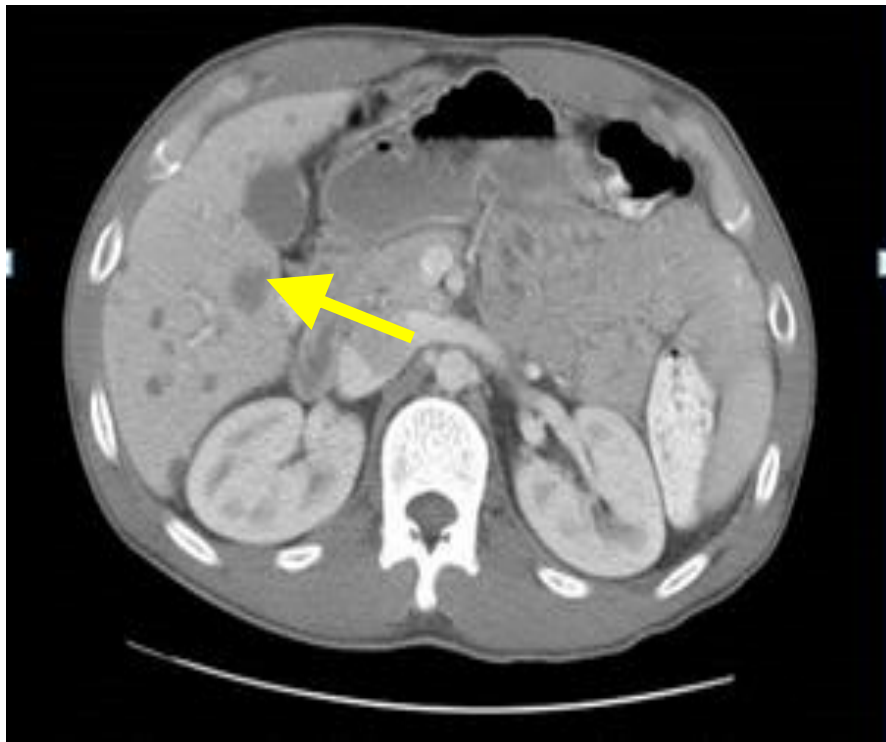
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A 49yo woman with a history of erosive gastritis presents with a new onset of upper abdominal pain, fatigue, and a 5-kg weight loss over the past 2 months.

- **Physical Exam:** Liver edge palpable 4 cm below the right costal margin, no other abnormalities
- **Laboratory:** Hb 11.5 g/dL, AST and ALT 1.5 above upper limits of normal. Bilirubin level and renal function tests are normal
- **Endoscopy:** Results revealed a 5 x 4.5-cm gastric mass with mucosal erosion
- **Biopsy:** Spindle cell GIST, 15 mitoses/50 hpf, strongly positive for c-kit
 - Mutational analysis: An exon 11 mutation
- **CT Chest/Abdomen/Pelvis:** Several liver metastases (mets)
- **ECOG PS:** 0-1

Patient started imatinib 400 mg/d but had progression of one liver metastasis after 12 months of imatinib therapy.



What would you recommend now?

1. Biopsy of progressing lesion
2. Increase dose of imatinib to 800 mg/d
3. Switch patient to sunitinib
4. Local therapy (eg, arterial embolization, radiofrequency ablation, surgical resection) and continuation of imatinib 400 mg/d

Arterial embolization was performed for the progressing liver lesion that led to PR of the lesion and patient continued imatinib 400 mg/d for additional 5 months, when she developed widespread mets in the liver and peritoneum. Except for mild edema, she tolerated imatinib relatively well. PS is 1.

What would you recommend now?

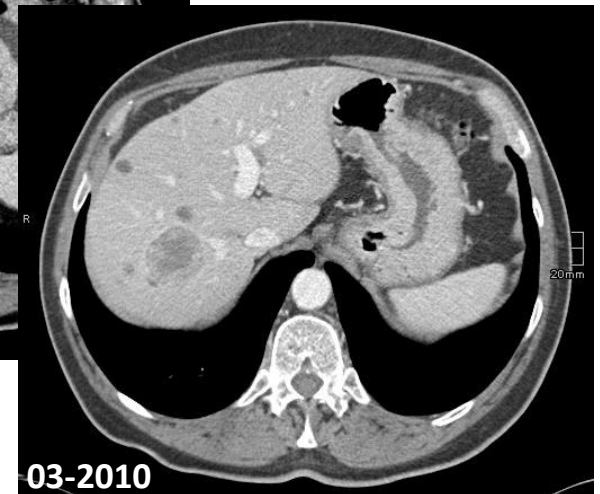
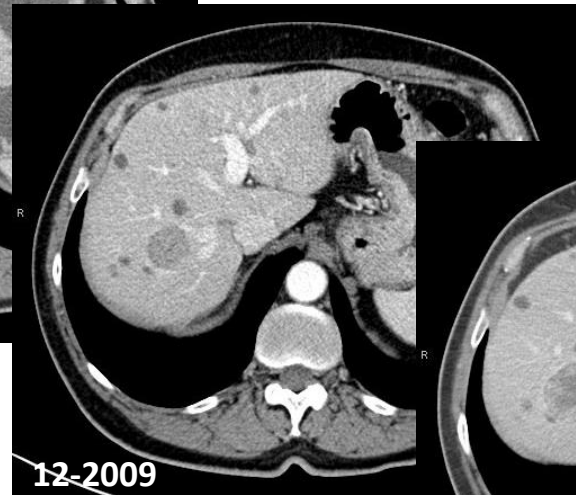
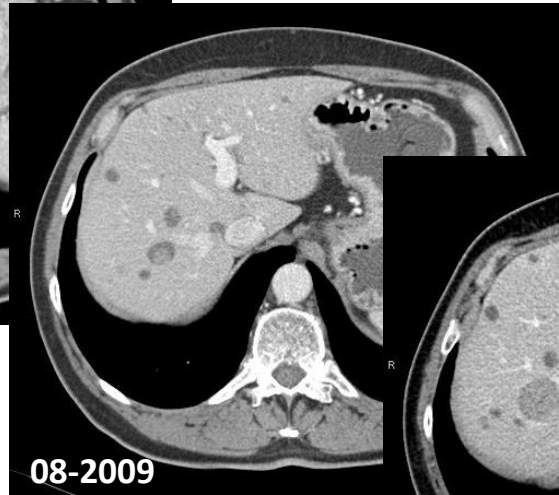
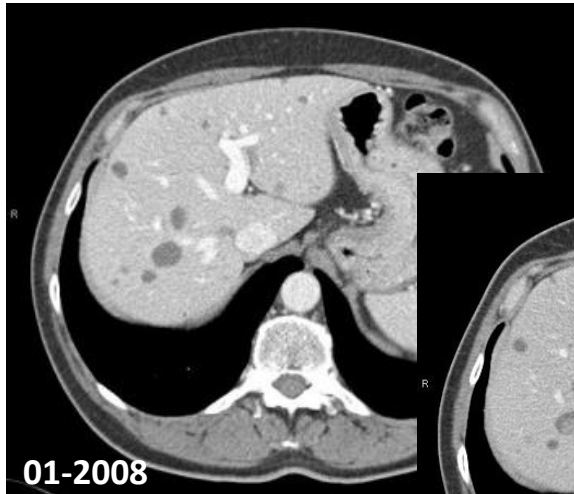
1. Increase dose of imatinib to 800 mg
2. Sunitinib
3. Regorafenib 160 mg
4. Clinical trial of other targeted agent

Patient received imatinib 800 mg and progressed, thus she was switched to continuous sunitinib 37.5 mg daily. After initial stabilization of disease, evaluation at 5 months confirmed PD of liver mets. PS is 1.

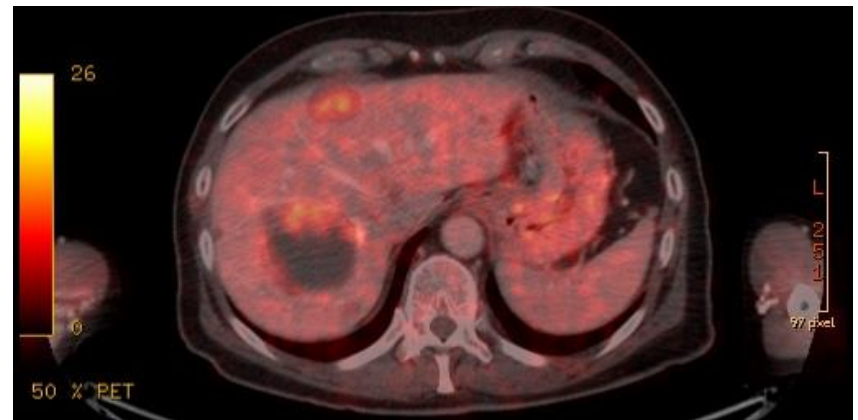
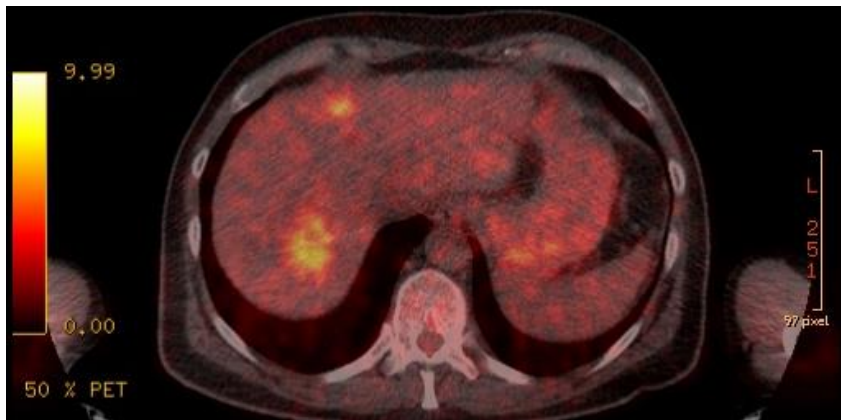
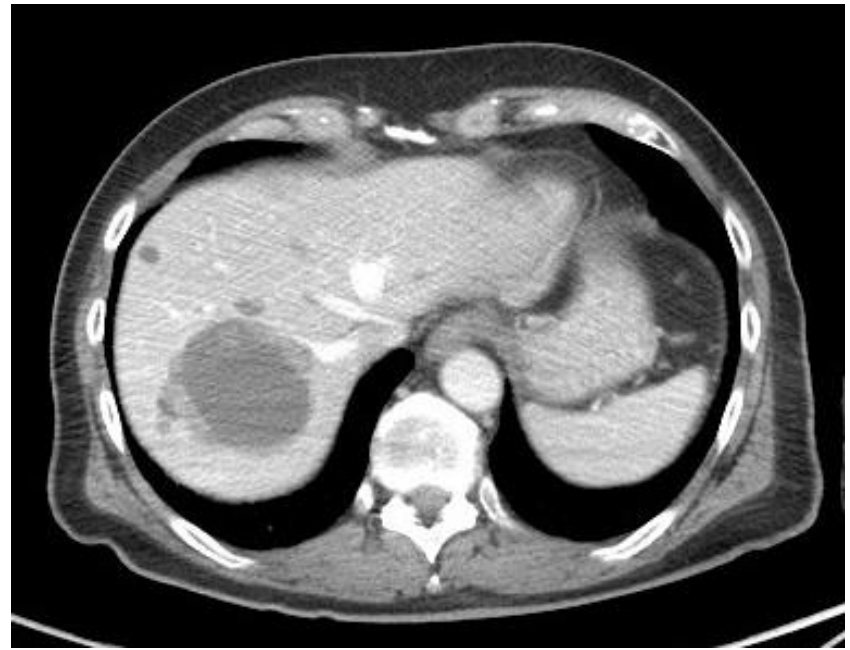
What would you recommend now?

1. Regorafenib 160 mg/d
2. Clinical trial of other targeted agent
3. I would consider local therapy
4. Supportive care

GIST—Progressive Disease Nodule in a Cyst



GIST—Pseudoprogression

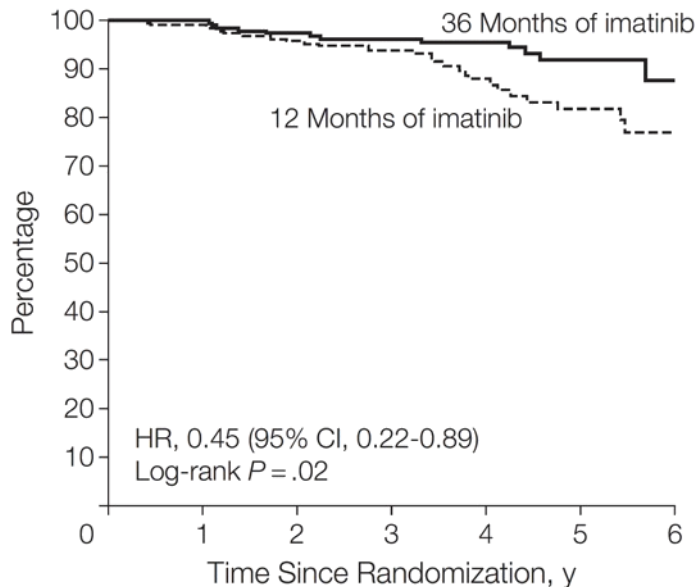


GIST – adjuvant therapy

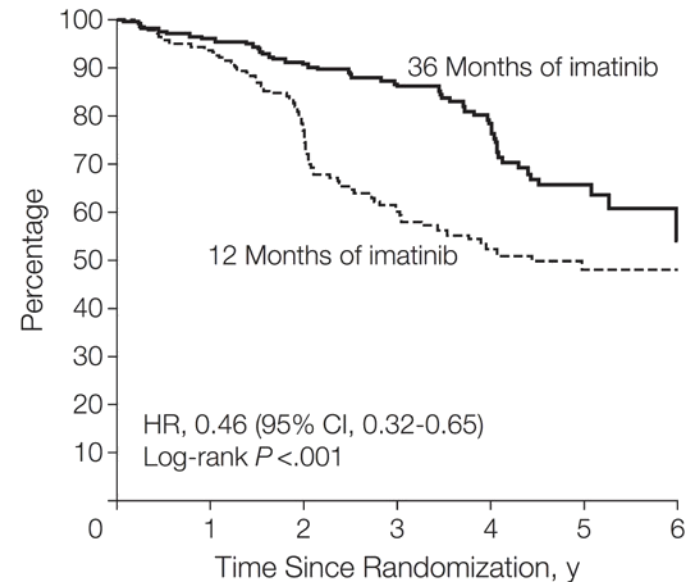
SSGX-VIII/AIO Studie

Imatinib 400mg/d
1 year vs. 3 years
high-risk GIST patients

Recurrence-free survival



Overall survival



→ Imatinib 400mg/d for 3 years in high-risk GIST patients

GIST – adjuvant therapy

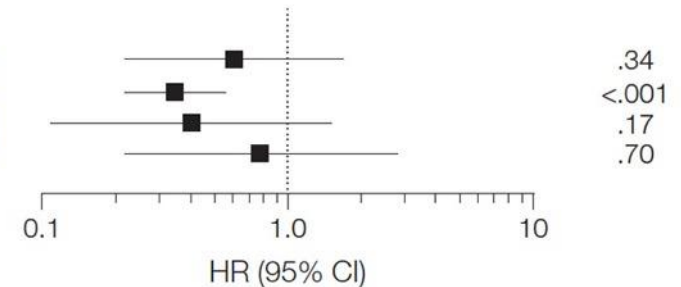
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Subgroup Analyses

Tumor mutation site

<i>KIT</i> exon 9	12	14	8	8	0.61 (0.22-1.68)
<i>KIT</i> exon 11	129	127	55	28	0.35 (0.22-0.56)
Wild type	19	14	9	3	0.41 (0.11-1.51)
Other	28	23	6	4	0.78 (0.22-2.78)



No adjuvant therapy in

- low-risk GIST
- WT-GIST
- *PDGFR α* D842V mutation

KIT exon 9 mutation

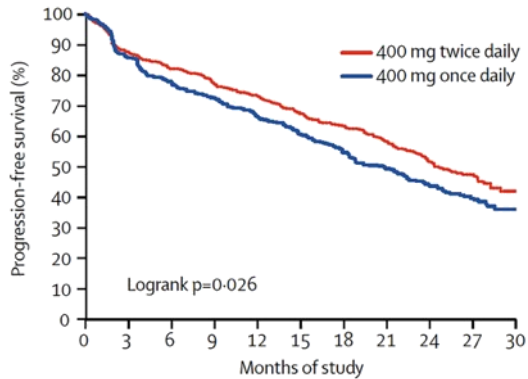
No consensus yet: Imatinib 800mg/d?

GIST – M1

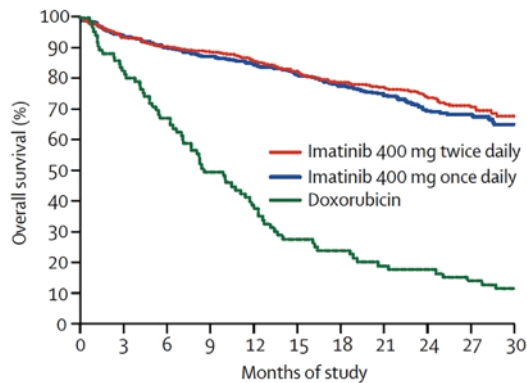
locally advanced / inoperable ± metastatic

EORTC-ISG-AGITG

Progression free survival



Overall survival

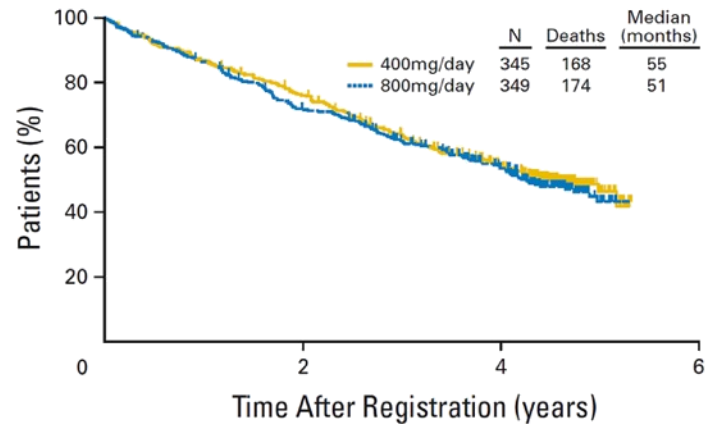


Two Phase III Studies

Imatinib 400mg/d vs. 800mg/d

NASG-S0033

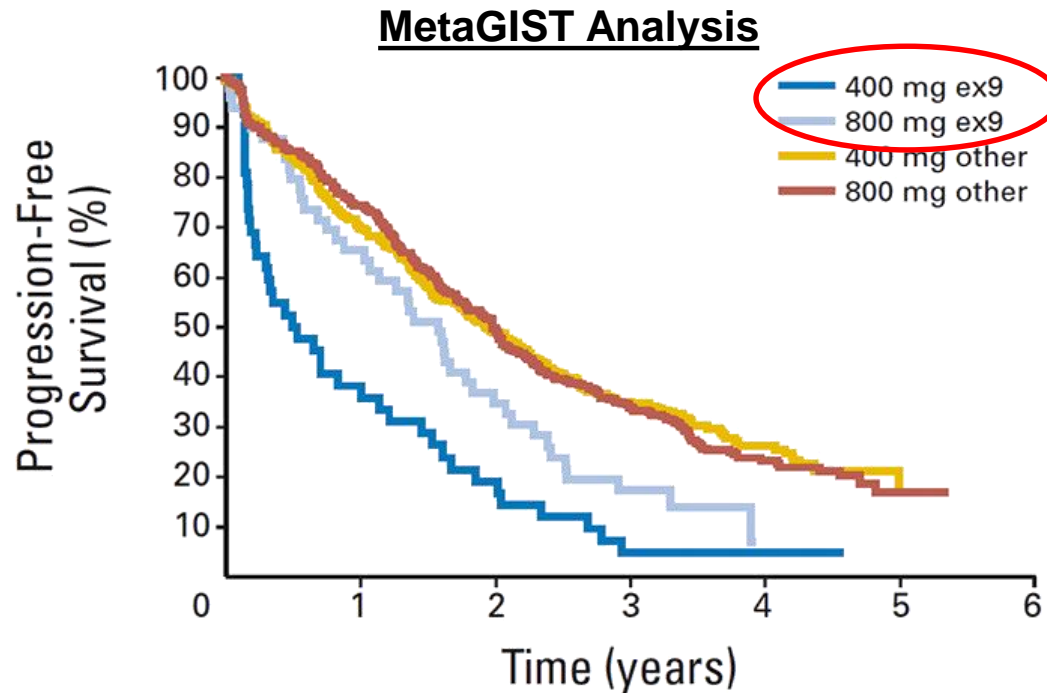
Overall survival



**400mg equivalent to 800mg
in overall survival**

GIST – M1

Therapy according to mutational status?



KIT Exon9 mutation

significant **Benefit in PFS** ($p=0,017$) for **Imatinib 800mg/d**
no significant Benefit in OS

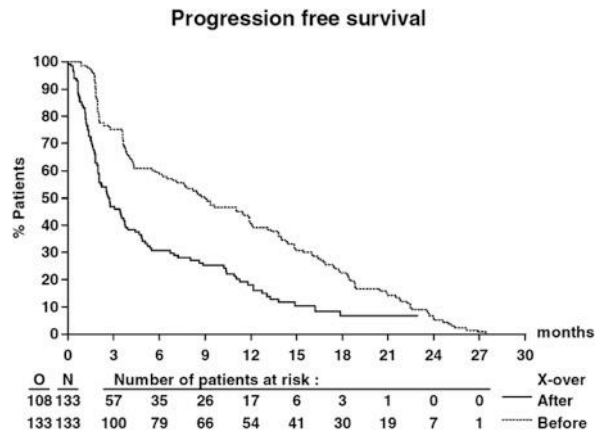
→ **1st-line Therapy: Imatinib 800mg/d**

GIST – M1

Progressive Disease on Imatinib 400mg/d?

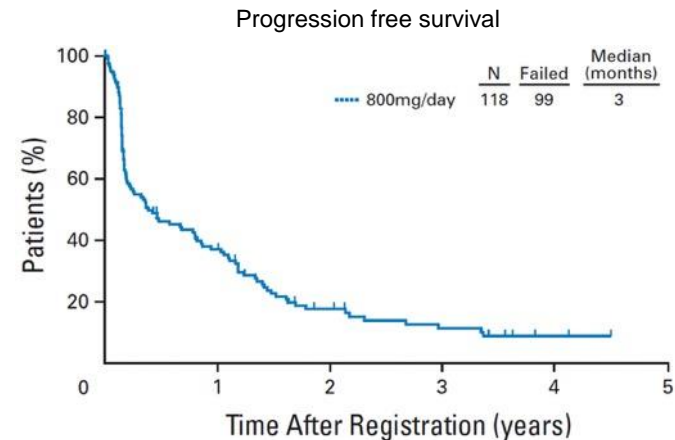
Analysis cross-over 400mg to 800mg after PD in two phase III studies

EORTCISG-AGITG study



Zalcberg *et al.*, EJC, 2005

American Intergroup study S0033



Blanke *et al.*, JCO, 2008

→ **Response** after **dose escalation** from 400mg/d to **800mg/d Imatinib**

mPFS: **3-4 months**

more side effects: v.a. **anemia & fatigue**

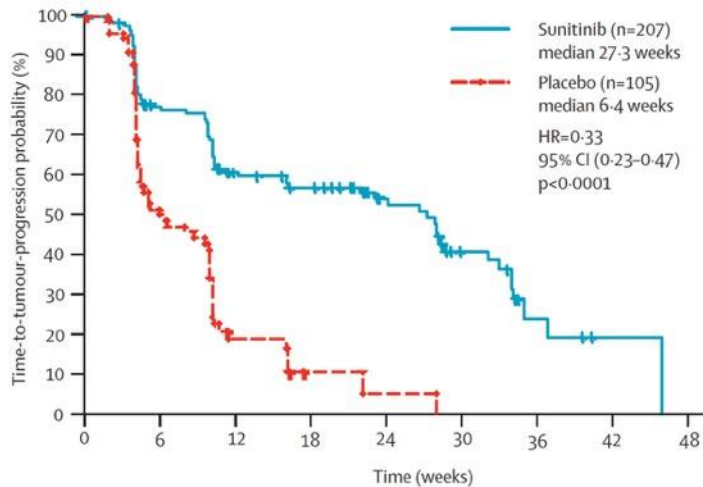
GIST – M1

2nd-line therapy after imatinib?

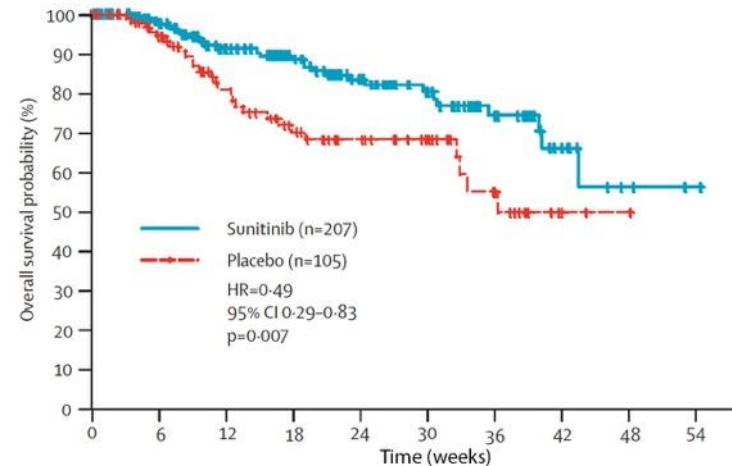
Phase III Study – **Sunitinib** vs. **Placebo**

Sunitinib 50mg/d; d1-28; q42

Progression free survival



Overall survival



→ significant **benefit** for **Sunitinib** in **PFS** (HR 0,33) and **OS** (HR 0,49)

Alternative dosing:

Sunitinib 37,5mg/d; continuously

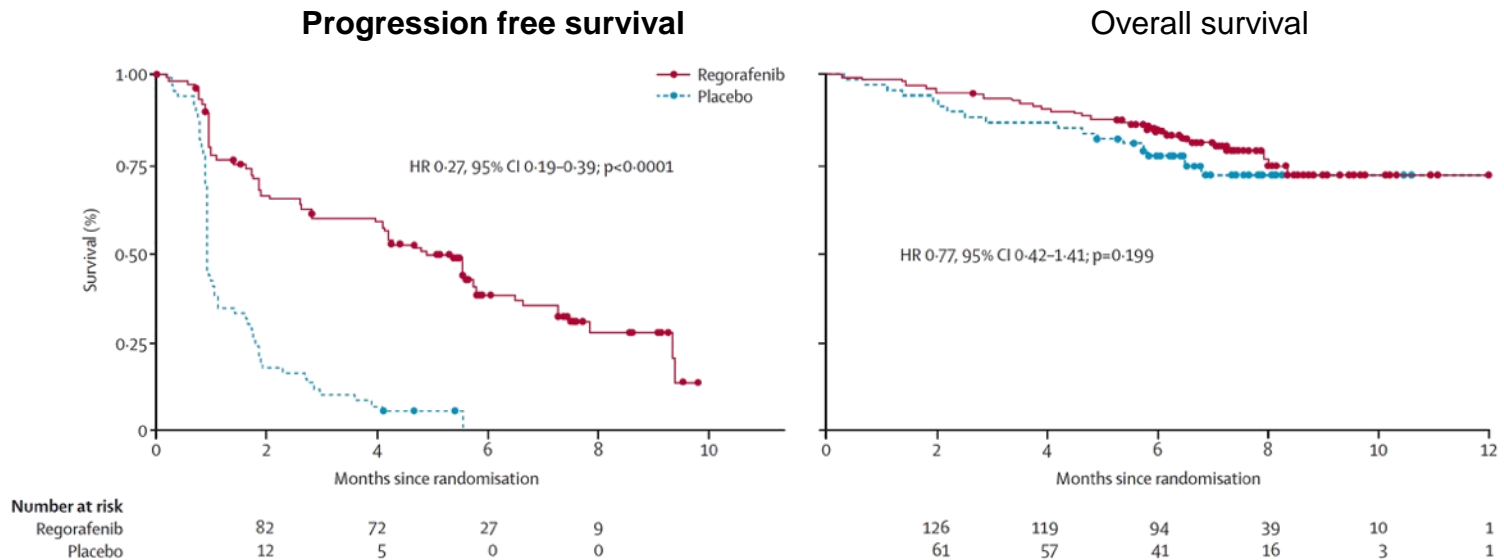
(George et al, EJC, 2009)

GIST – M1

3rd-line therapy – Progression after Imatinib & Sunitinib?

Phase III Study – **Regorafenib** vs. **Placebo**

Regorafenib 160mg/d; d1-21; q28



→ significant **Benefit** for **Regorafenib** in **PFS** (HR 0,27)

mPFS 4,8 vs. 0,9 months

Treatment Recommendations GIST

Neoadjuvante Therapy

Individualized decisions within MDT

Imatinib 400mg/d (*KIT exon9 Mut.* 800mg/d)

Adjuvant Therapy

Imatinib 400mg/d for 3 years in high-risk GIST patients
(**Not** in *PDGFR α D842V* and *WT-GIST*)

Therapy in Metastatic Disease

1st-line: **Imatinib 400mg/d**, continuously; (*KIT exon9 Mut.* 800mg/d)

Dose Escalation (if **PD**) on 800mg/d

2nd-line: **Sunitinib 50mg/d** (d1-28; q42)
37,5mg/d (continuously)

3rd-line: **Regorafenib 160mg/d** (d1-21; q28)

→ **Mutational Analyses in any GIST**

GIST: challenges

Distant relapse after adjuvant treatment with imatinib

Re-Induction of:

Imatinib 400mg/d (*KIT exon9 Mut.* 800mg/d)

D842V Mutation M1:

Clinical Study with Crenolanib not available „everywhere“. Has to be treated: with which drug?

Primary Exon 17/18 mutations in Metastatic Disease:

1st-line: **Imatinib** useful?

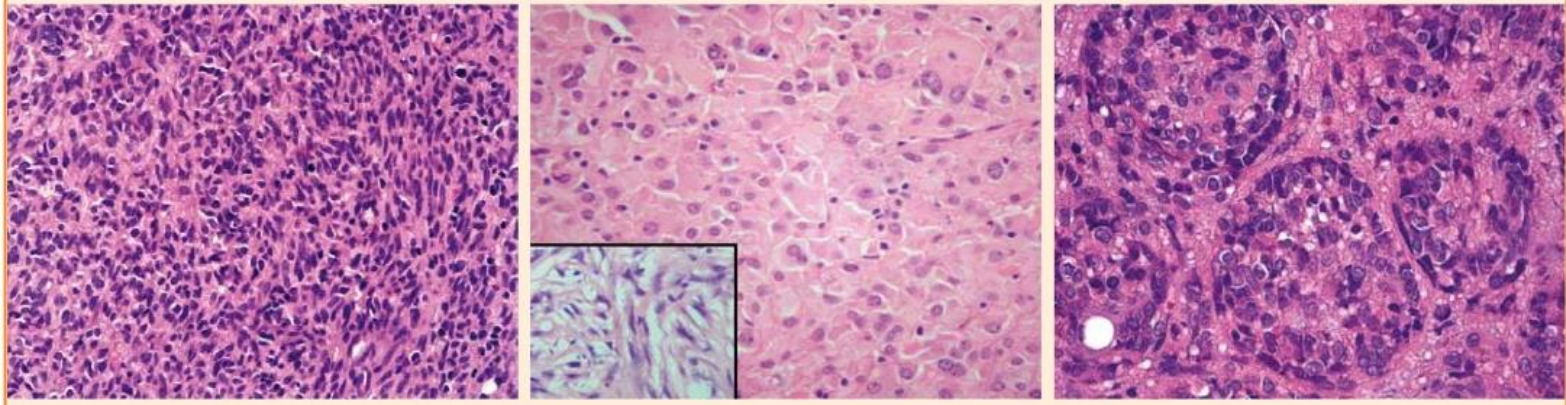
2nd-line: **Sunitinib** useful?

3rd-line: **Regorafenib 160mg/d** (d1-21; q28) as 1st-line?

RTK-WT: M1

any TKI useful?

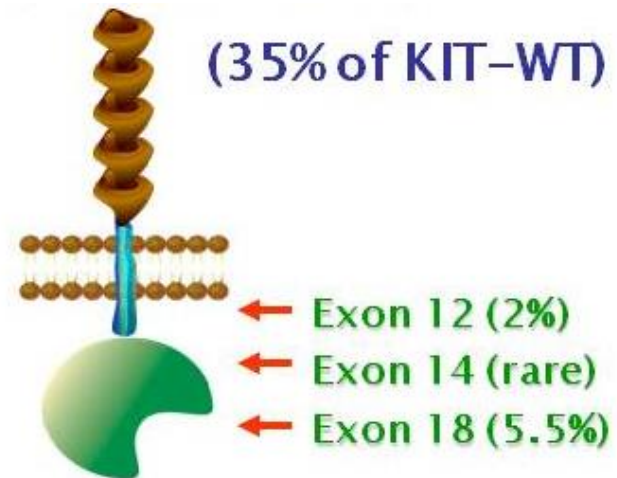
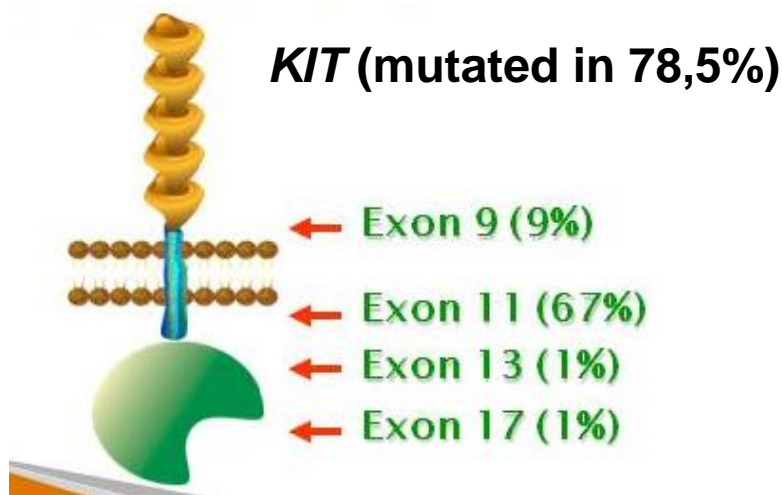
Histopathology



- GIST range in size from 1 cm to 40 cm (average ~5 cm)²
- GIST can be classified into 3 broad categories¹
 - Spindle-cell type (70%)
 - Epithelioid-cell type (20%)
 - Mixed spindle-cell + epithelioid-cell type (10%)

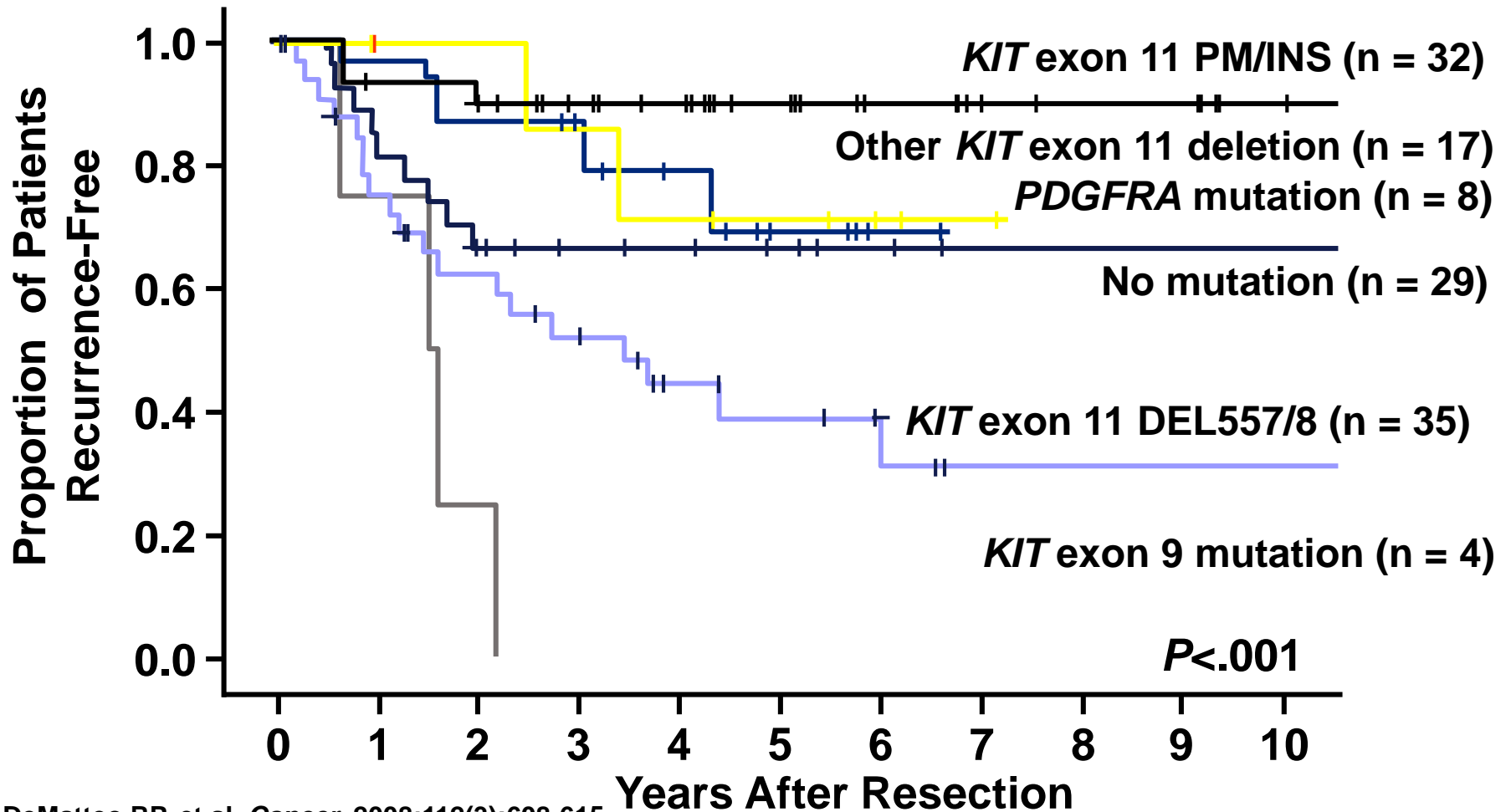
GIST Tumorigenesis and Immunohistochemistry

- >85% of GISTs are driven by activating mutations in either the *KIT* or *PDGFRA* genes
- Accurate diagnosis needs to involve IHC staining for KIT and DOG1
 - KIT protein (CD117): stains positive in 95% of cases
 - DOG1: positive in >95% of KIT-positive GIST and 35% of KIT-negative GIST
- Mutational analysis provides important information on prognosis and imatinib dosing



Mutational Subtype Has Prognostic Importance

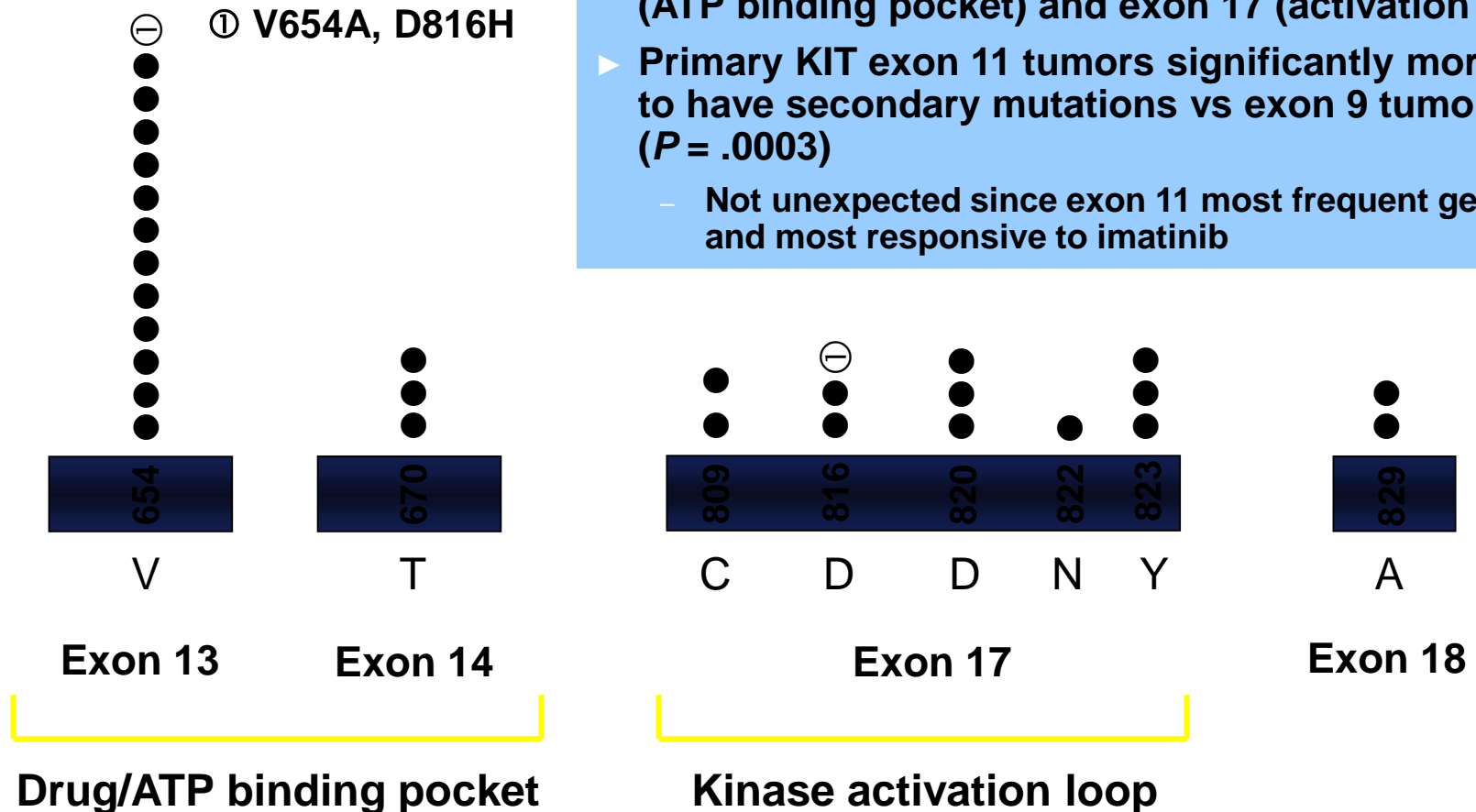
Relapse-free survival in 127 patients with completely resected localized GIST



DeMatteo RP, et al. *Cancer*. 2008;112(3):608-615.

Location and Frequency of Secondary *KIT* Mutations in the Phase I/II Study*

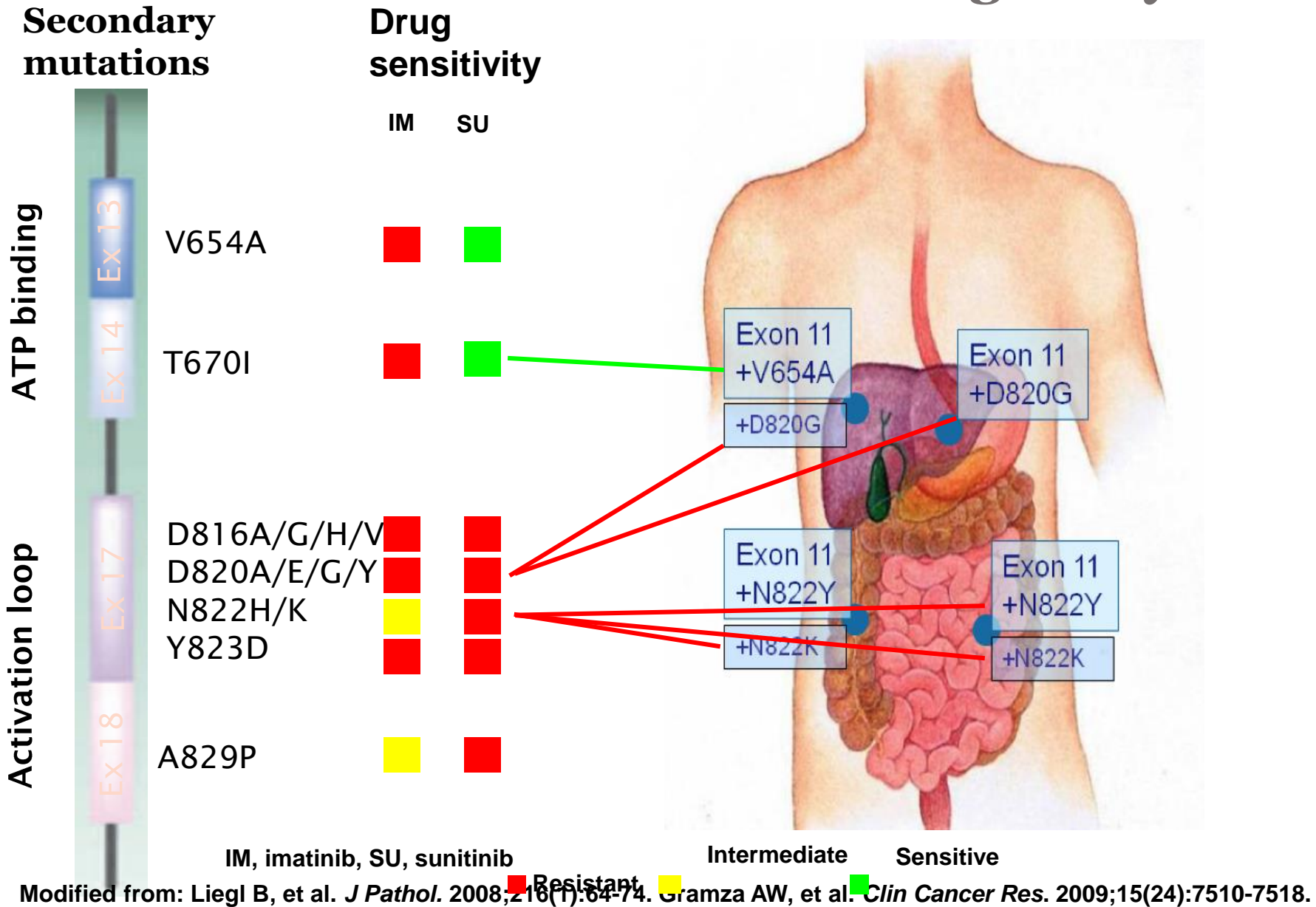
- ▶ Secondary mutations clustered around exons 13/14 (ATP binding pocket) and exon 17 (activation loop)
- ▶ Primary *KIT* exon 11 tumors significantly more likely to have secondary mutations vs exon 9 tumors ($P = .0003$)
 - Not unexpected since exon 11 most frequent genotype and most responsive to imatinib



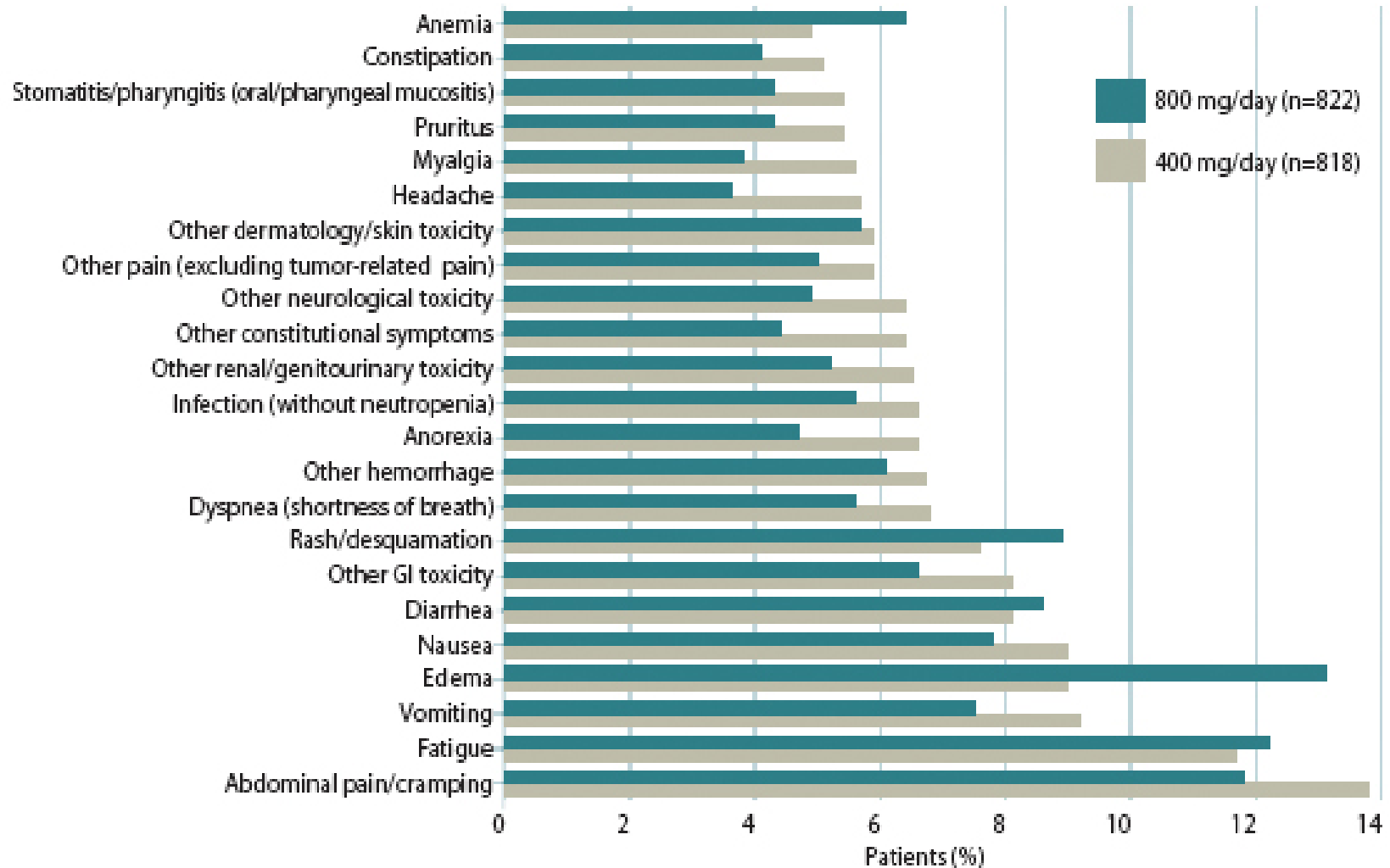
*Analysis conducted on post-imatinib tissue specimens from 67 patients.

Heinrich MC, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2008;26(33):5352-5359.

Substantial Mutational Heterogeneity

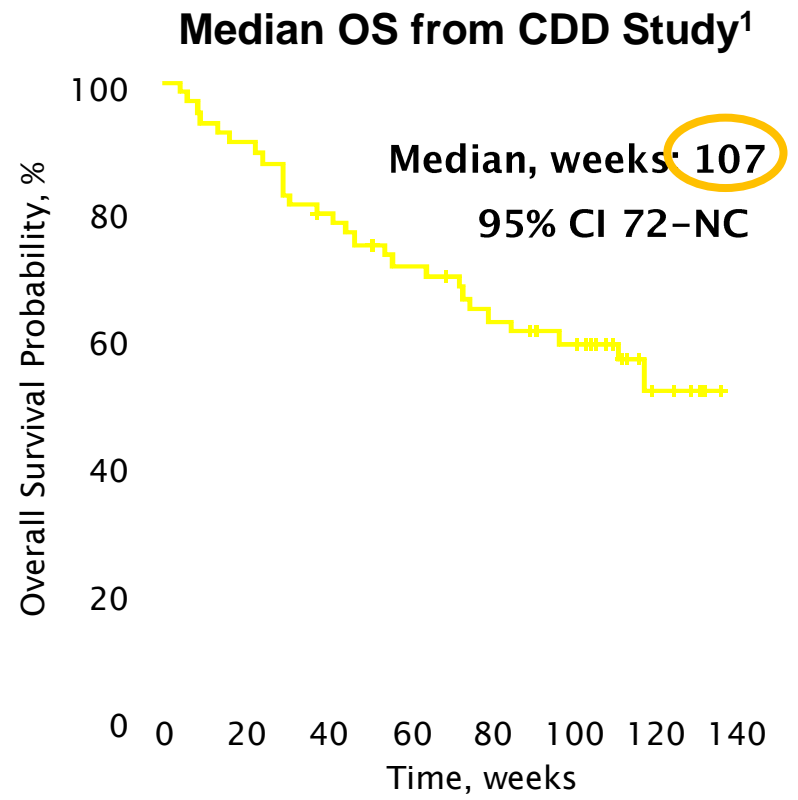
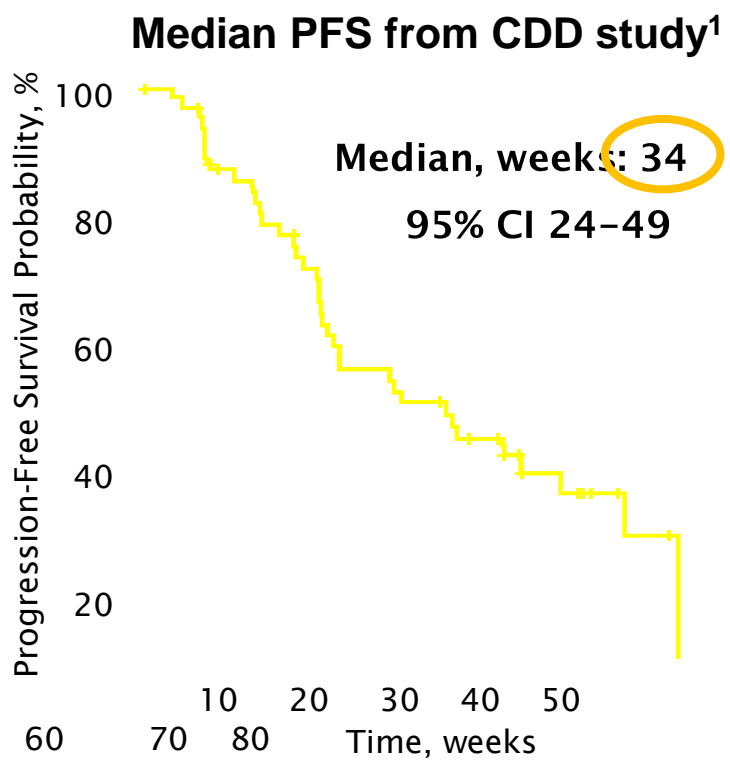


Incidence of \geq Grade 3 Adverse Effects to Imatinib in Patients With Advanced GIST



Demetri GD, et al. *J Natl Compr Canc Netw*. 2010;8 suppl 2:S1-S41.

PFS and OS With Continuous Dosing Schedule (CDD) of 37.5 mg of Sunitinib in Phase II Trial (N = 60)



Intermittent Sunitinib 50 mg (4/2)

PFS of Phase III data²

Median, weeks: **22.9** (95% CI 10.9-28.00)

OS of Phase III data²

Median, weeks: **72.7** (95% CI 61.3-83.0)

1. George S, et al. *Eur J Cancer*. 2009;45(11):1959-1968. 2. Demetri GD, et al. *Clin Cancer Res*. 2012;18(11):3170-3179

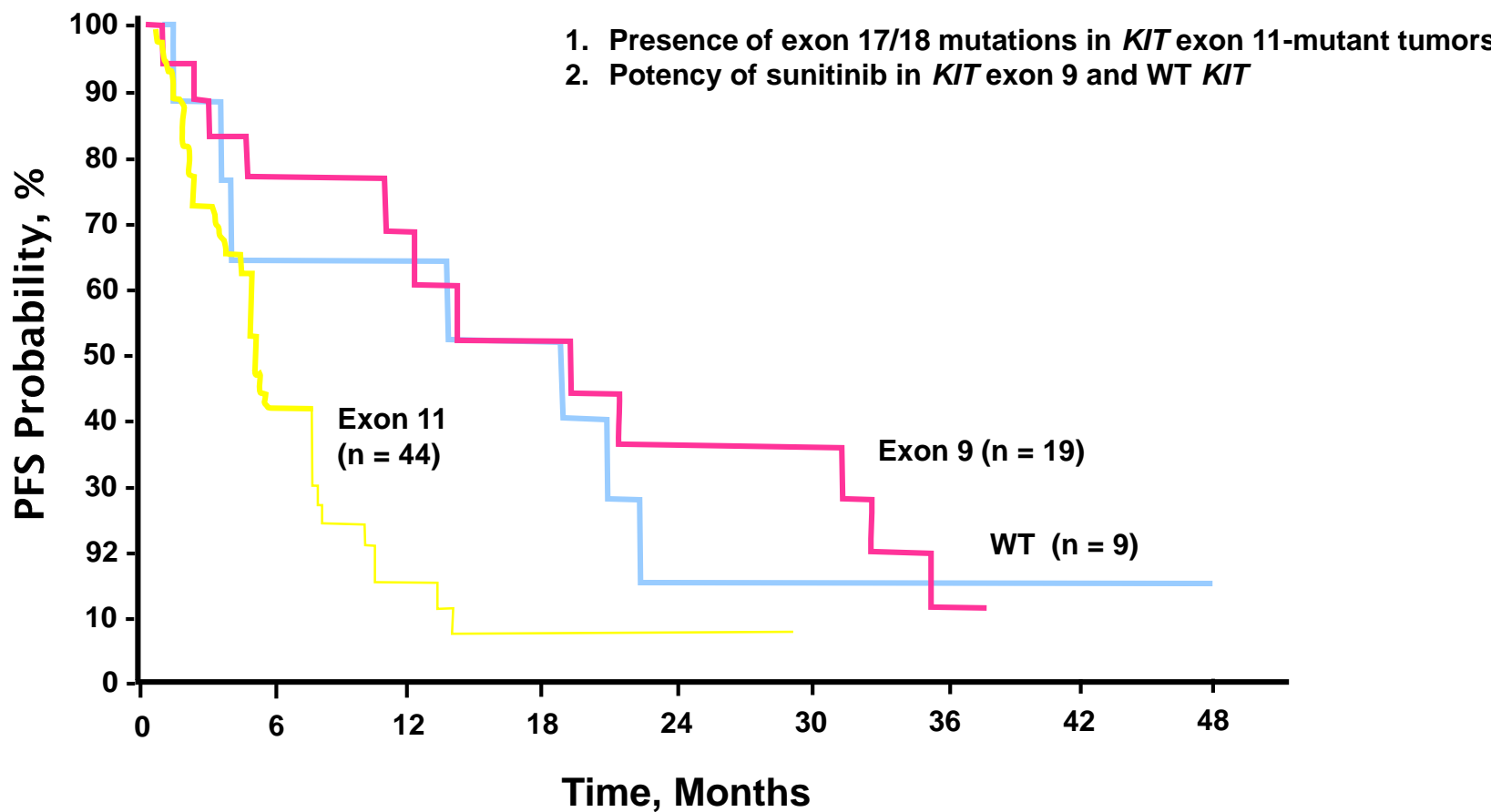
Most Common Treatment-Related AEs ($\geq 20\%$) of Sunitinib in Patients Receiving Strict-Starting Dose Schedule (SSDS) vs Flexible Dose (FD): Incidence Overall and Adjusted for Duration of Treatment

AEs	SSDS (n=602; total patient-years = 319)				FD (n=522; total patient-years = 725)			
	Any Grade*		Grade 3/4		Any Grade†		Grade 3/4	
	N (%)	PPY	N (%)	PPY	N (%)	PPY	N (%)	PPY
Any treatment-related AE	519 (86)	163	199 (33)	62	513 (98)	71	383 (73)	53
Fatigue	176 (29)	55	19 (3)	6	303 (58)	42	78 (15)	11
Diarrhea	162 (27)	51	10 (2)	3	292 (56)	40	50 (10)	7
Hand-foot syndrome	123 (20)	39	16 (3)	5	239 (46)	33	105 (20)	14
Nausea	117 (19)	37	3 (<1)	1	209 (40)	29	20 (4)	3
Decreased appetite	113 (19)	35	7 (1)	2	189 (36)	26	18 (3)	2
Mucosal inflammation	99 (16)	31	6 (1)	2	157 (30)	22	16 (3)	2
Stomatitis	94 (16)	29	2 (<1)	1	164 (31)	23	20 (4)	3
Hypertension	91 (15)	29	17 (3)	5	196 (38)	27	57 (11)	8
Vomiting	90 (15)	28	7 (1)	2	157 (30)	22	21 (4)	3
Dysgeusia	76 (13)	24	0 (0)	0	104 (20)	14	0 (0)	0
Thrombocytopenia	79 (13)	25	20 (3)	6	143 (27)	20	42 (8)	6
Neutropenia	72 (12)	23	23 (4)	7	139 (27)	19	66 (13)	9
Anemia	66 (11)	21	29 (5)	9	116 (22)	16	32 (6)	4
Skin discoloration	66 (11)	21	0 (0)	0	108 (21)	15	1 (<1)	<1
Rash	57 (9)	18	3 (<1)	1	119 (23)	16	9 (2)	1
Hypothyroidism	28 (5)	9	4 (1)	1	116 (22)	16	8 (2)	1

PPY = patients per patient-year; *eleven grade 5 AEs deemed to be treatment-related occurred in the SSDS group

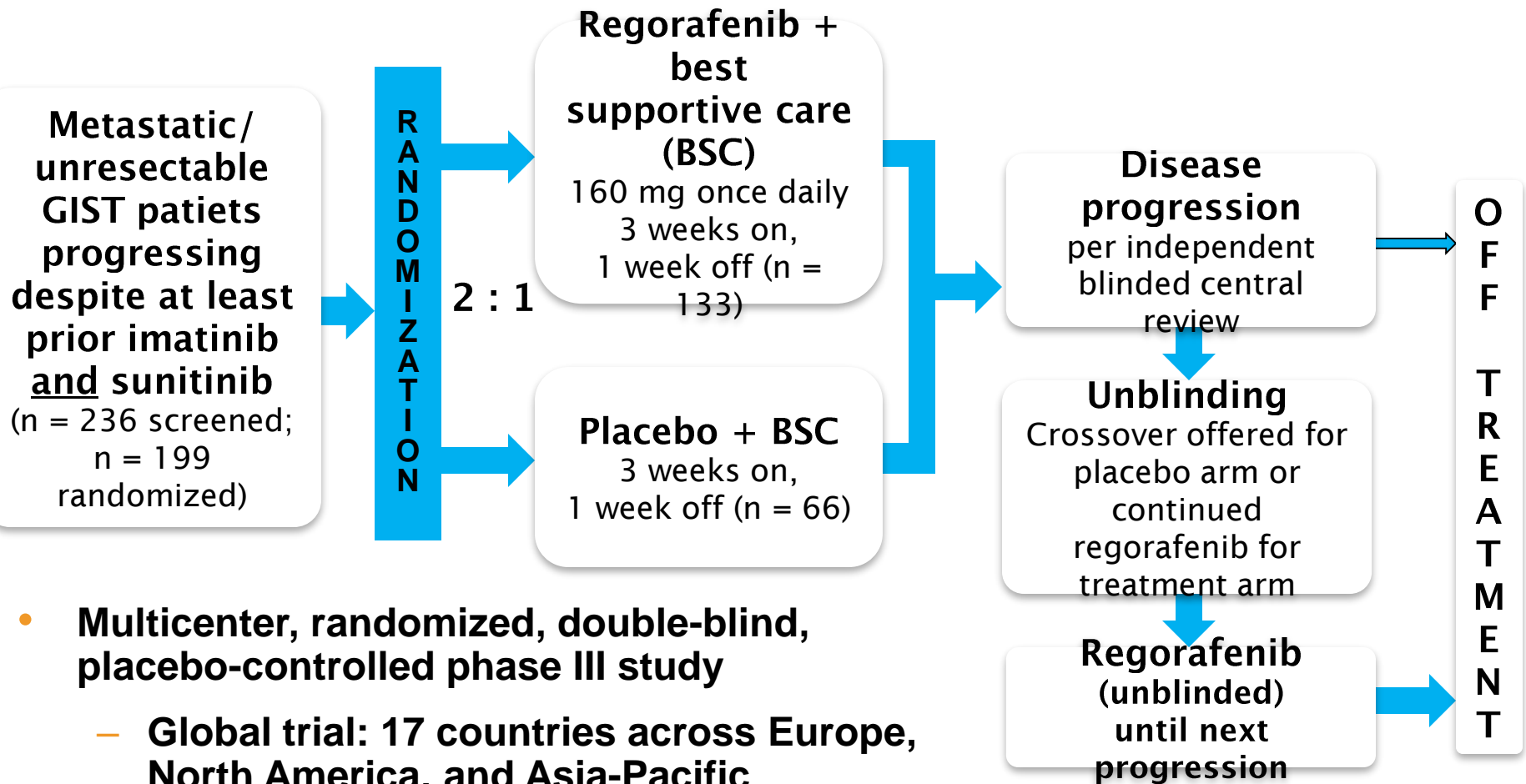
†Six grade 5 AEs deemed related to treatment occurred in the FD group

Progression-Free Survival on Sunitinib in Imatinib-Resistant / Intolerant GIST



Heinreich MC, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2008;26(33):5352-5359.

GIST: Regorafenib In Progressive Disease (GRID)—Study Design



- **Multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled phase III study**
 - **Global trial: 17 countries across Europe, North America, and Asia-Pacific**
 - **Stratification: treatment line (2 vs >2 prior lines), geographical location (Asia vs “Rest of World”)**

GRID—Adverse Events

	Regorafenib N = 132		Placebo N = 66	
	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 3	Grade 4
Any event	77 (58%)	2 (2%)	5 (8%)	1 (2%)
Hand-foot skin reaction	26 (20%)	0	0	0
Hypertension	30 (23%)	1 (1%)	2 (3%)	0
Diarrhea	7 (5%)	0	0	0
Fatigue	3 (2%)	0	0	0
Oral mucositis	2 (2%)	0	1 (2%)	0
Alopecia	2 (2%)	0	0	0
Hoarseness	0	0	0	0
Anorexia	0	0	0	0
Rash, maculopapular	3 (2%)	0	0	0
Nausea	1 (1%)	0	1 (2%)	0
Constipation	1 (1%)	0	0	0
Myalgia	1 (1%)	0	0	0
Voice alteration	0	0	0	0

Data are n (%). Excluding one patient who did not receive study treatment.