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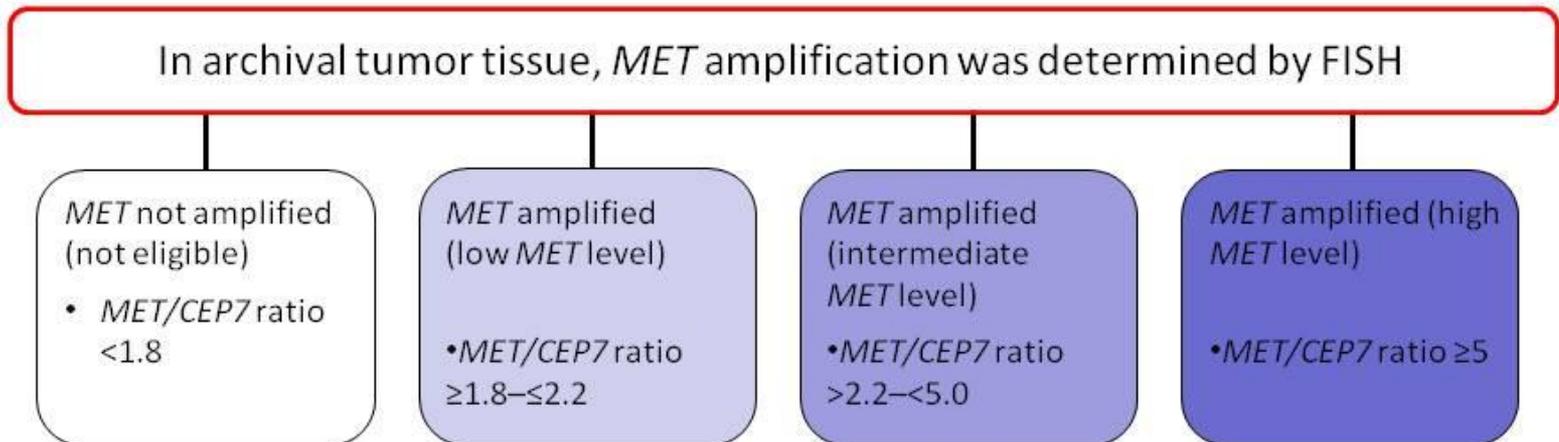
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# Patient eligibility: NSCLC *MET* amplification cohort

- Patients ( $\geq 18$  years) had histologically confirmed advanced NSCLC, and
  - measurable disease per RECIST v1.0
  - adequate organ function
  - resolution of acute toxic effects of prior therapies or surgical procedures (CTCAE Grade  $\leq 1$ )
  - received no prior *MET*- or HGF-targeted therapies



CEP7, chromosome 7 centromere signal; CTCAE, Common Toxicity Criteria for Adverse Events  
FISH, fluorescence in-situ hybridization; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors



# Patient and disease characteristics

	Low <i>MET</i> , n=2	Intermediate <i>MET</i> , n=6	High <i>MET</i> , n=6	Total, N=14 <sup>a</sup>
Median age, years (range)	52 (42–63)	55 (48–73)	67 (46–79)	61 (42–79)
Male, n (%)	1 (50)	2 (33)	3 (50)	6 (43)
Race, n (%)				
White	2 (100)	5 (83)	6 (100)	13 (93)
Black	0	1 (17)	0	1 (7)
Histology				
Adenocarcinoma	2 (100)	5 (83)	6 (100)	13 (93)
Other <sup>b</sup>	0	1 (17)	0	1 (7)
ECOG PS, n (%)				
0	1 (50)	2 (33)	2 (33)	5 (36)
1	1 (50)	4 (67)	3 (50)	8 (57)
2	0	0	1 (17)	1 (7)
Smoking status, n (%)				
Never smoker	1 (50)	1 (17)	0	2 (14)
Ex-smoker	1 (50)	4 (67)	6 (100)	11 (79)
Smoker	0	1 (17)	0	1 (7)

<sup>a</sup>Three additional subjects enrolled into the *MET*-amplified NSCLC cohort were subsequently confirmed not to meet eligibility criteria (*MET/CEP7* ratio was below the lower *MET* level category and 1 patient had a *MET* mutation); they were not included in the efficacy analysis. <sup>b</sup>Poorly differentiated.

*MET* amplification categories are classified as follows: low *MET/CEP7* ratio  $\geq 1.8$  to  $\leq 2.2$ ; intermediate *MET/CEP7* ratio  $> 2.2$  to  $< 5$ ; high *MET/CEP7* ratio  $\geq 5$ .



# Clinical characteristics of *MET* amplified NSCLC

Characteristic	N	%
Total amplified (ratio $\geq 2.2$ )	16	100
Squamous	5	31.2
Non-squamous	11	68.8
Never smokers	0	0
Current/former	15	93.7
Smoking unknown	1	6.3

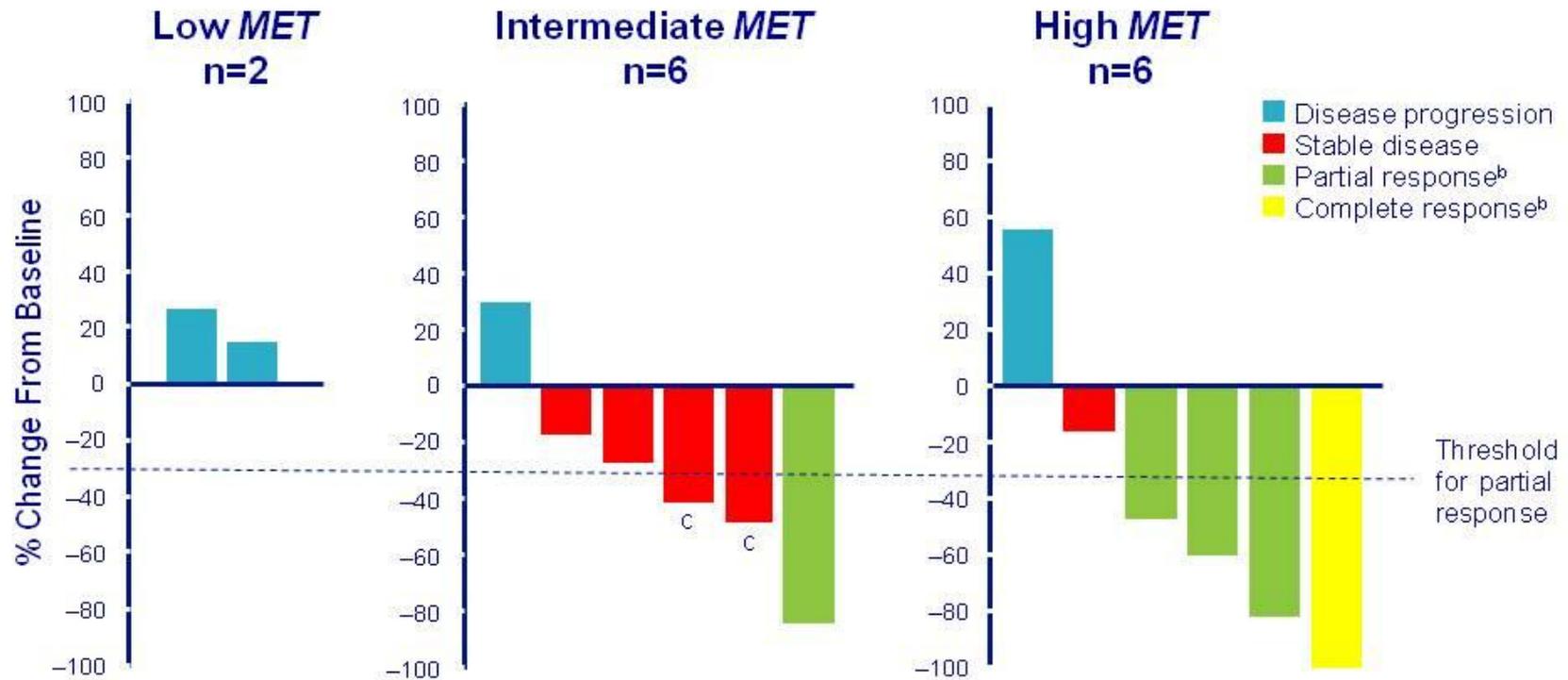
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# Tumor Shrinkage Seen in Intermediate and High *MET* Cohorts

Best percent change from baseline in target tumor lesions<sup>a</sup> by patient



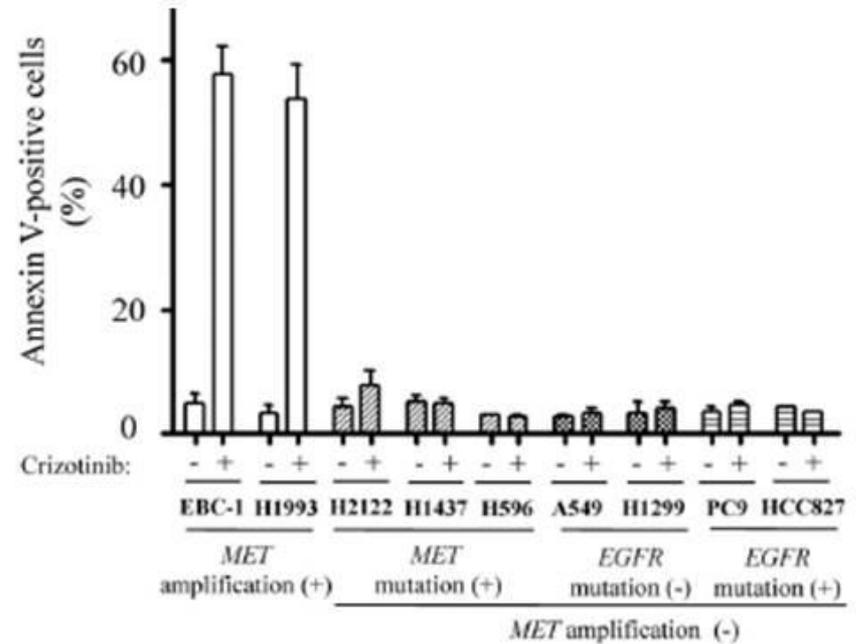
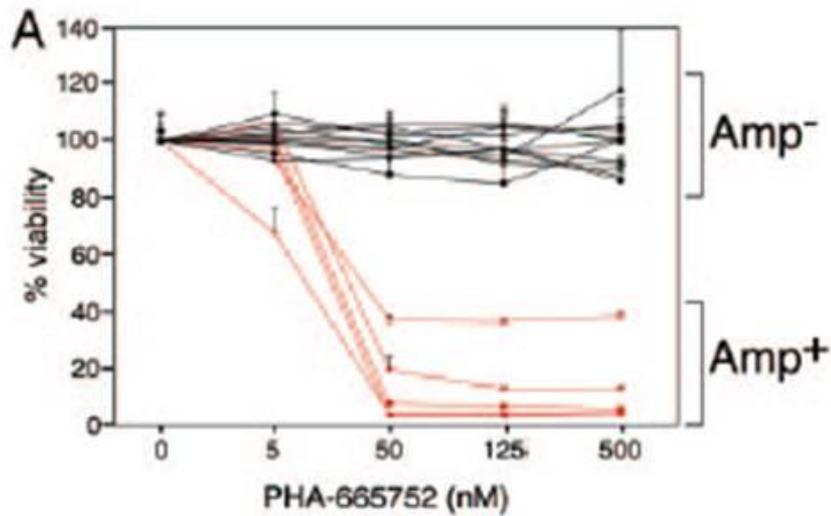
<sup>a</sup>Confirmed objective responses.

<sup>b</sup>Based on investigator assessment.

<sup>c</sup>Two patients in the intermediate *MET* group had an unconfirmed PR that was not confirmed in a second assessment.



# Sensitivity to anti-Met agents only in presence of high levels of *MET* amplification

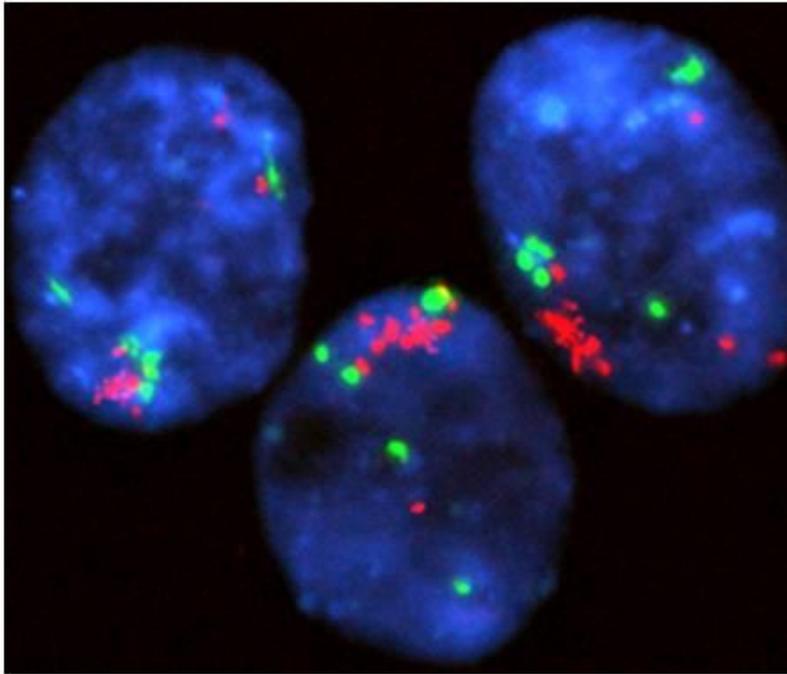


Smolen GA et al., PNAS 2006, Tanizaki J et al., JTO 2011



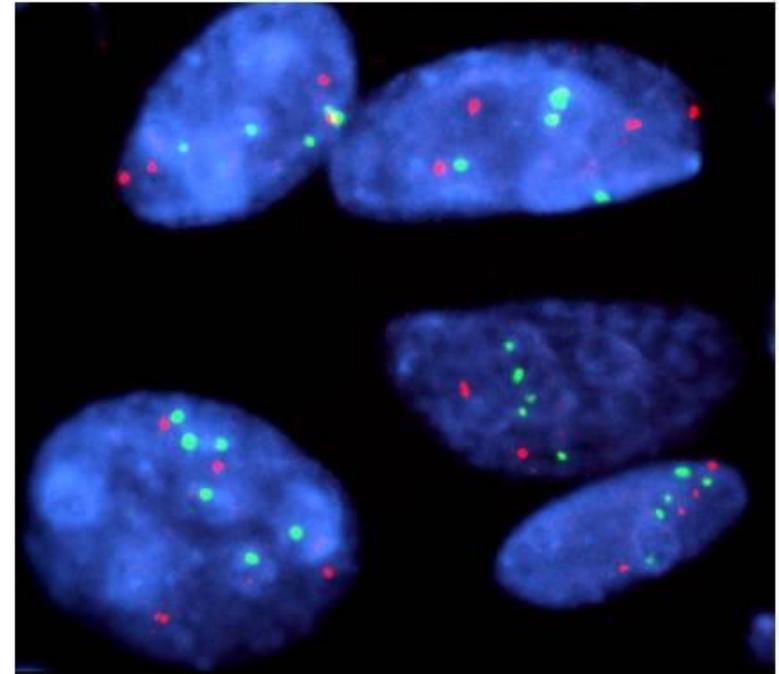
# High levels of *MET* amplification drive resistance to EGFR-TKIs

Gefitinib Resistant



MET amplification in HCC827 GR6  
Ratio MET/centromere >5

Gefitinib Sensitive



NO MET amplification in HCC827  
Ratio MET/centromere <2

Modified from Cappuzzo F et al., Ann Oncol 2008

## ***MET FISH+ not always are MET amplified***

	N	%
Total analyzed	435	100
Total <i>MET FISH+</i> (mean <i>MET</i> GCN $\geq 5$ )	48	11.1
Total ratio <i>MET/centromere</i> $\geq 2.2$ and $< 5$	13	2.9
Total ratio <i>MET/centromere</i> $\geq 5$	3	0.6

Expected efficacy of anti-MET in 3.5% of patients

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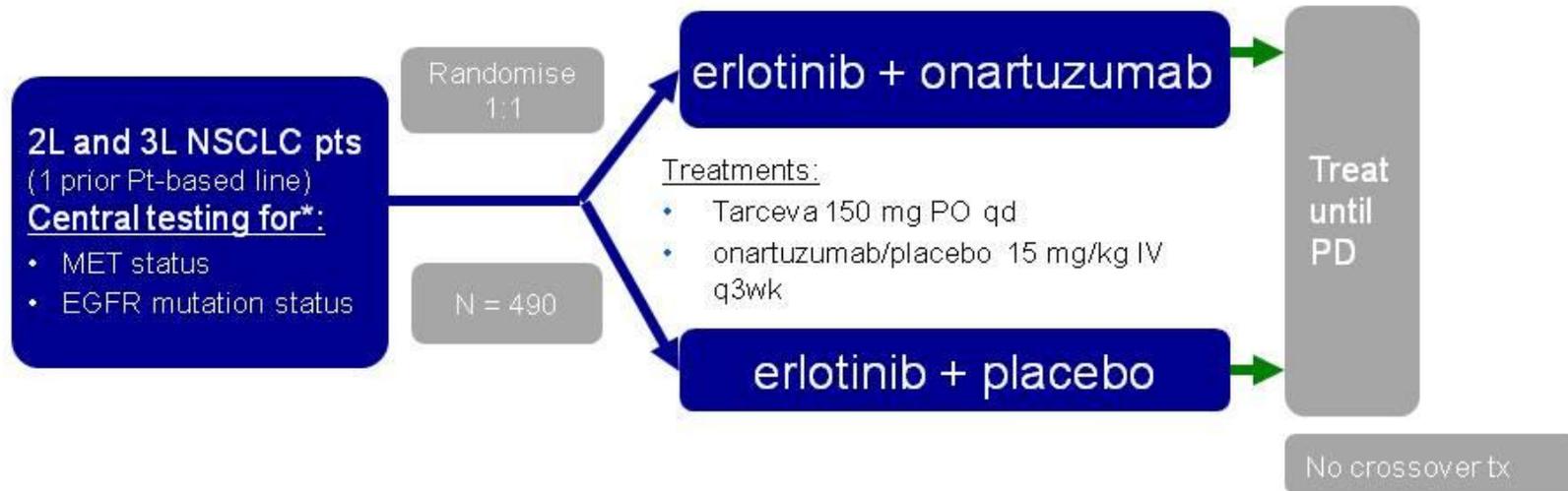
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# Onartuzumab (MetMAB) Phase III 2L/3L in MET-positive NSCLC



## Key eligibility criteria:

- Stage IIIB or IV Met diagnostic positive NSCLC
- 1-2 prior lines of tx
- No prior EGFR inhibitor
- ECOG PS 0 or 1

## Stratification criteria:

- EGFR mut status
- MET 2+ or 3+ score
- # of prior lines of tx
- Histology

## Primary endpoint:

- Overall survival (OS)

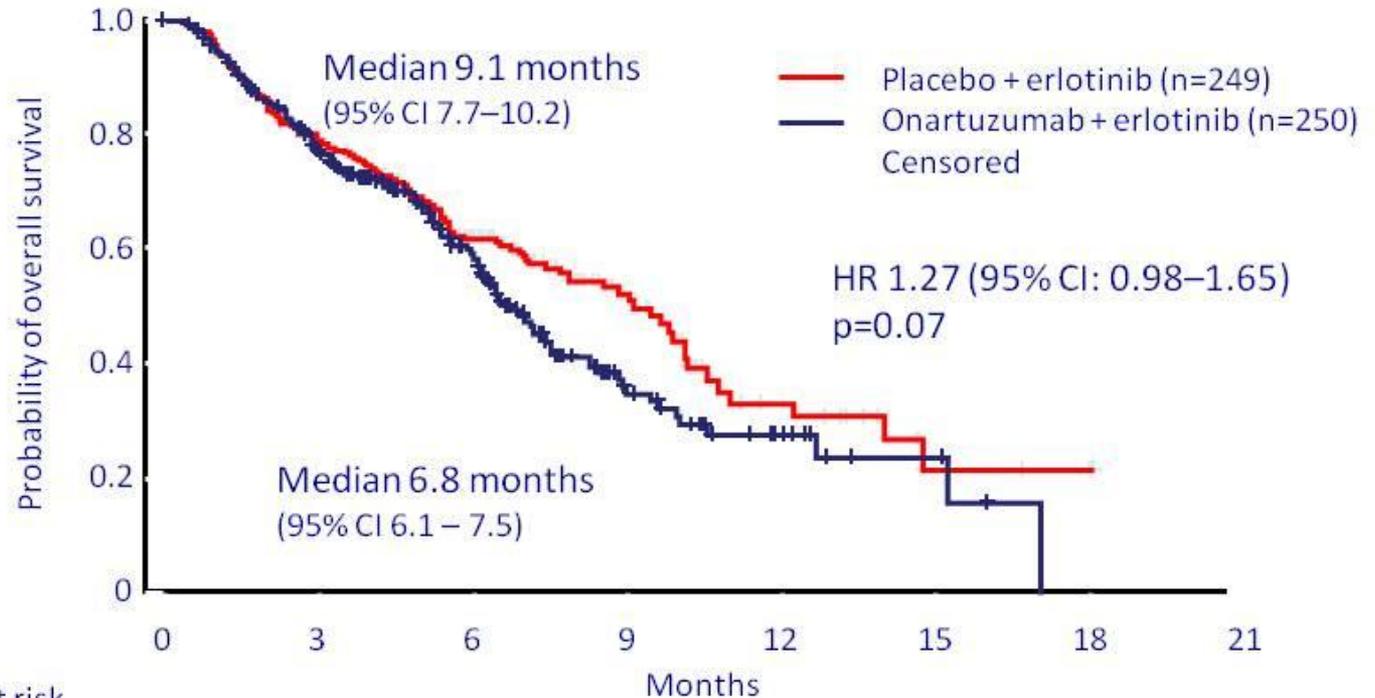
## Secondary endpoints:

- Progression-free survival (PFS)
- Overall response rate (ORR)
- Quality of life (QoL)
- Safety

\*PRE-SCREENING: Patients could submit tumor samples for testing prior to requiring treatment with 2L or 3L therapy



# OAM4971g: Overall Survival Results

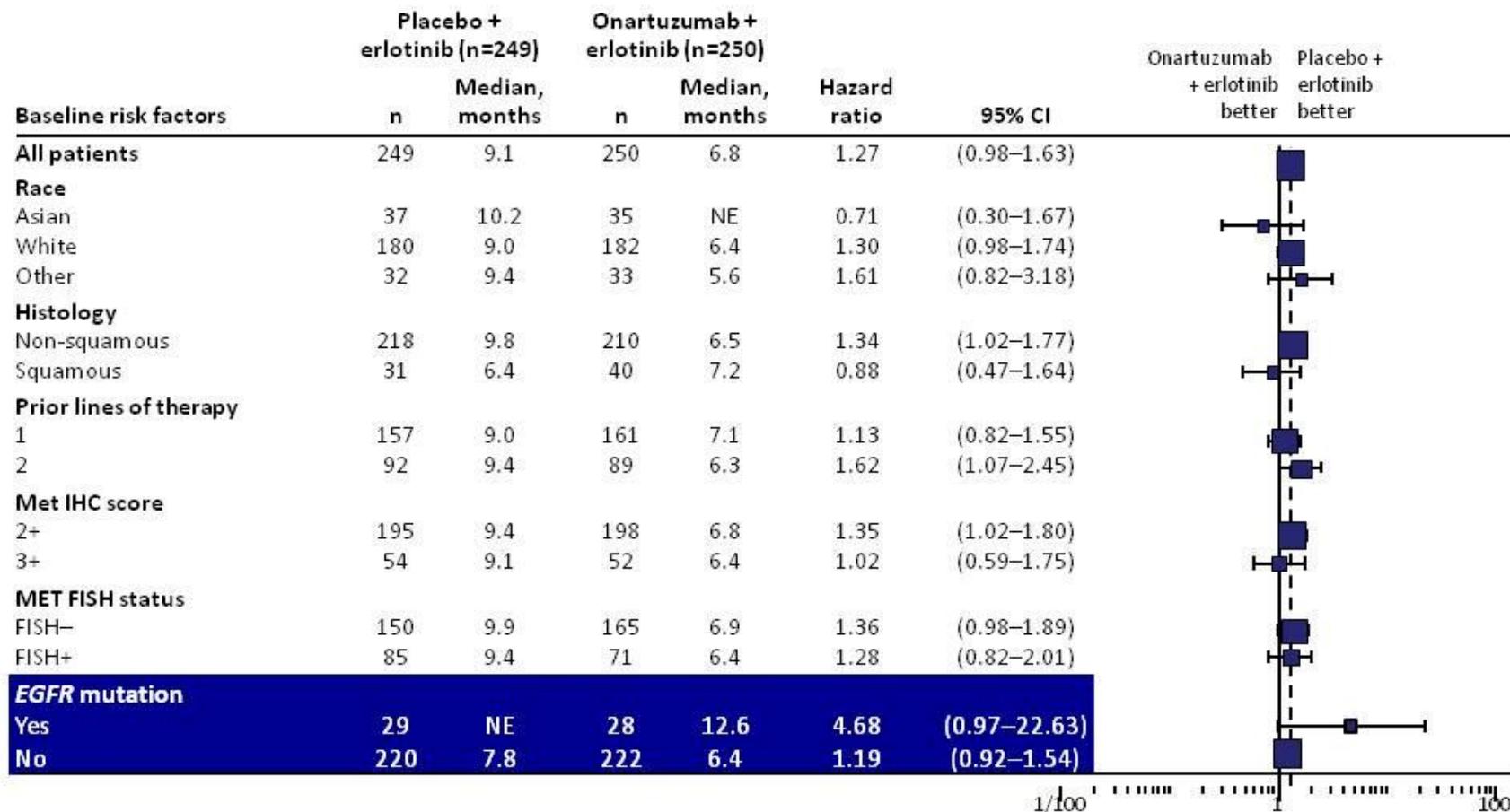


Number of patients at risk

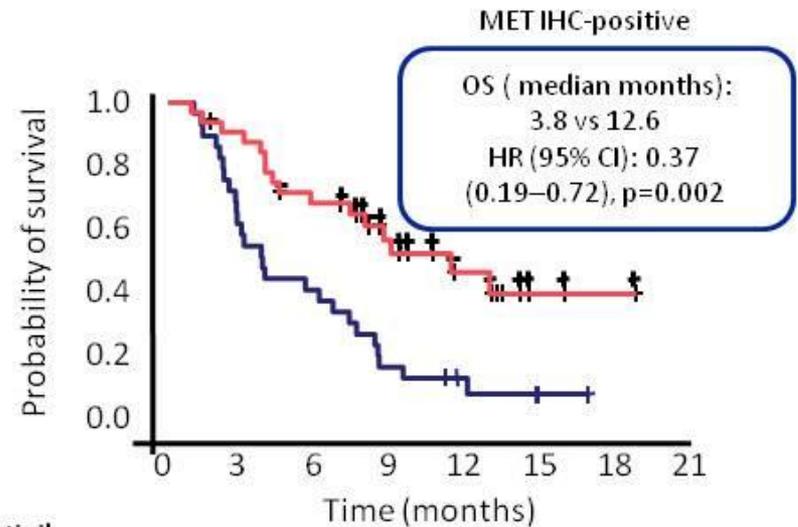
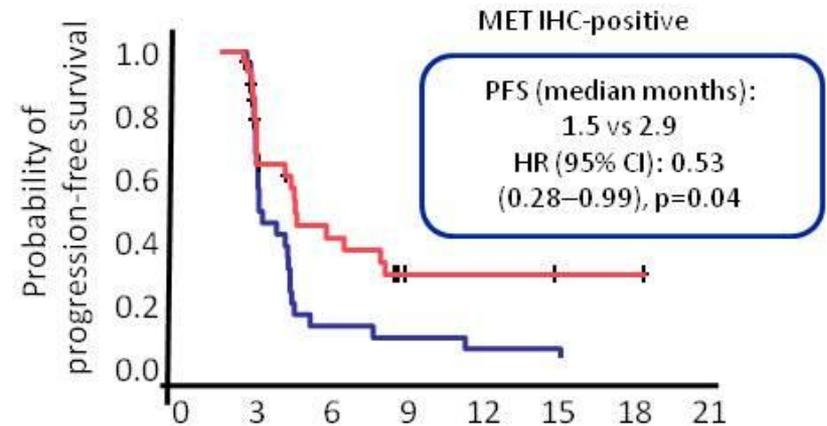
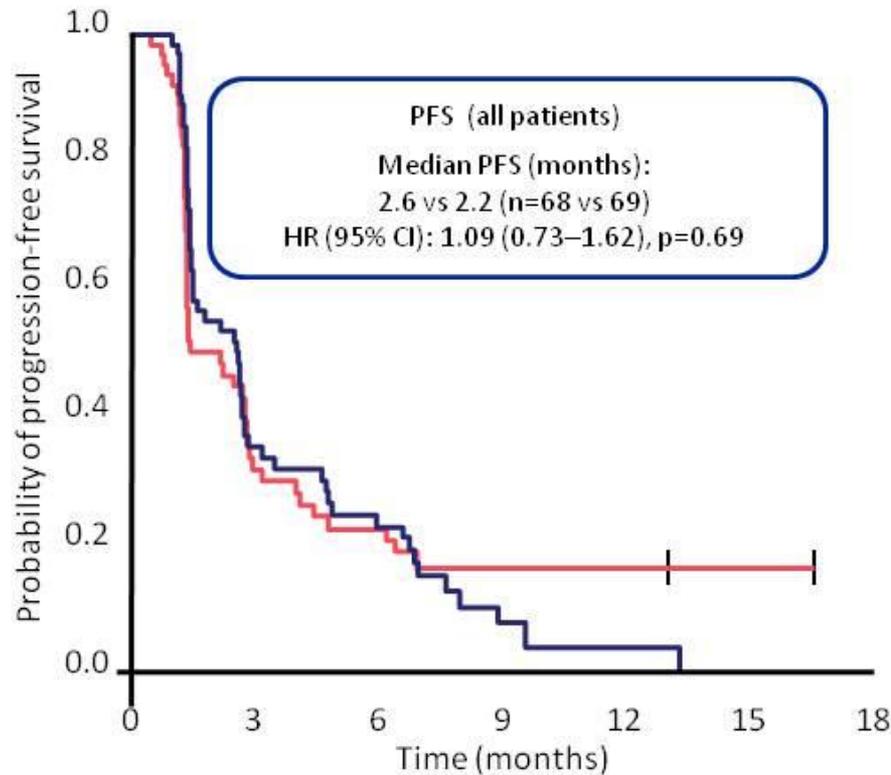
Placebo + erlotinib	249	183	110	43	14	3	1
Onartuzumab + erlotinib	250	177	100	29	12	4	



# OS subgroup analysis (ITT population)



# MET IHC may predict Onartuzumab sensitivity: Phase II data



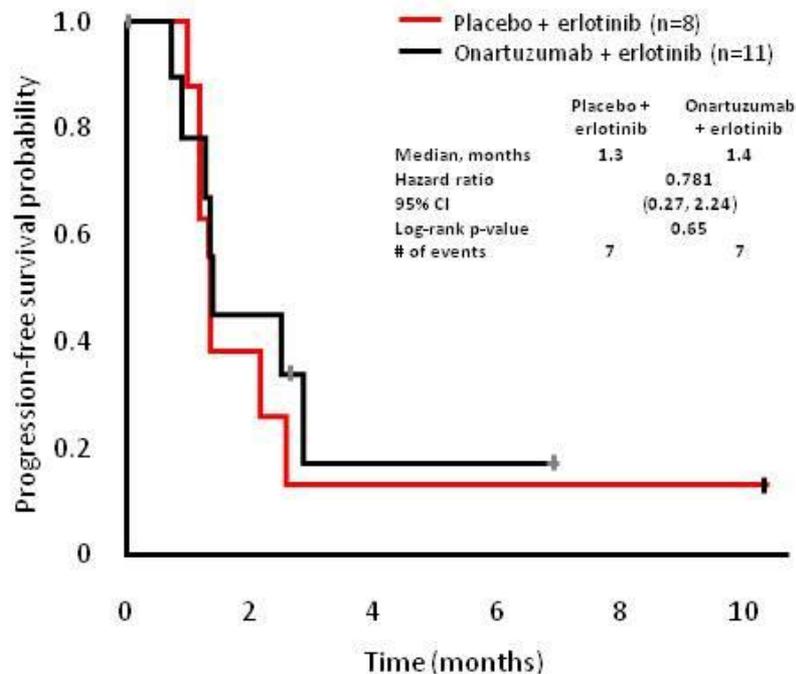
Spiegel DR et al., J Clin Oncol 2013



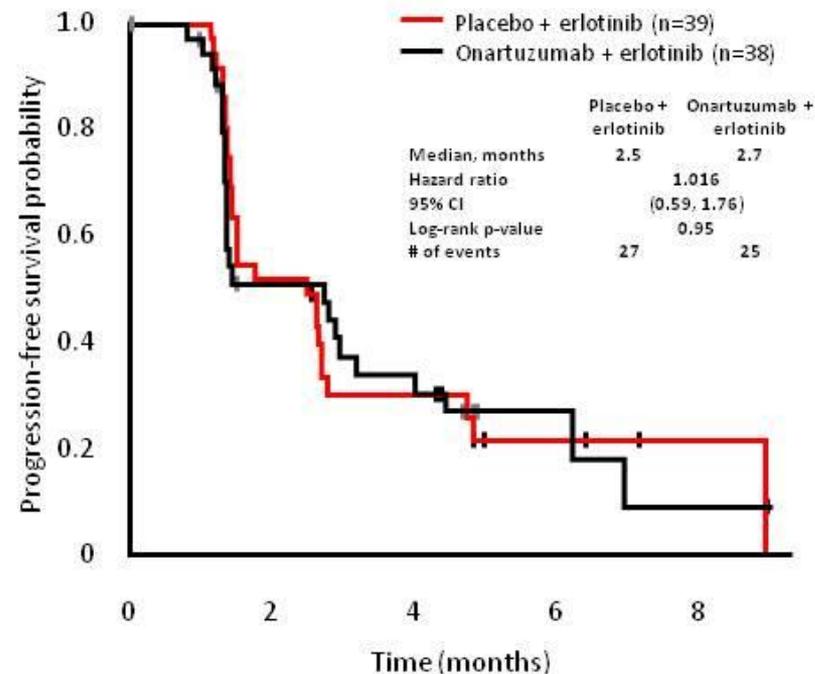
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# MET gene copy number may not predict onartuzumab sensitivity: phase II data

MET GCN  $\geq 5$  (FISH+ =19)



MET GCN <5 (FISH- =77)



Spiegel DR et al., J Clin Oncol 2013

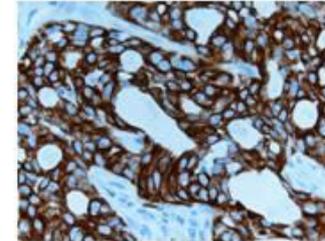


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# MET deregulation in lung cancer

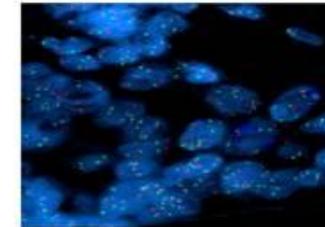
Overexpression (2+/3+)

≈40%/10%



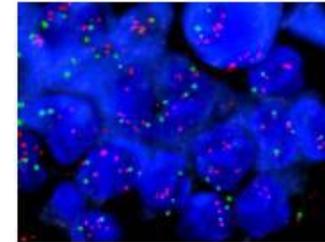
Gene gain (mean ≥5)

≈10%



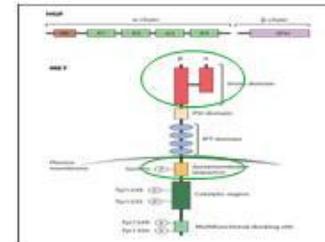
Amplification (ratio ≥2.2)

≈3-4%

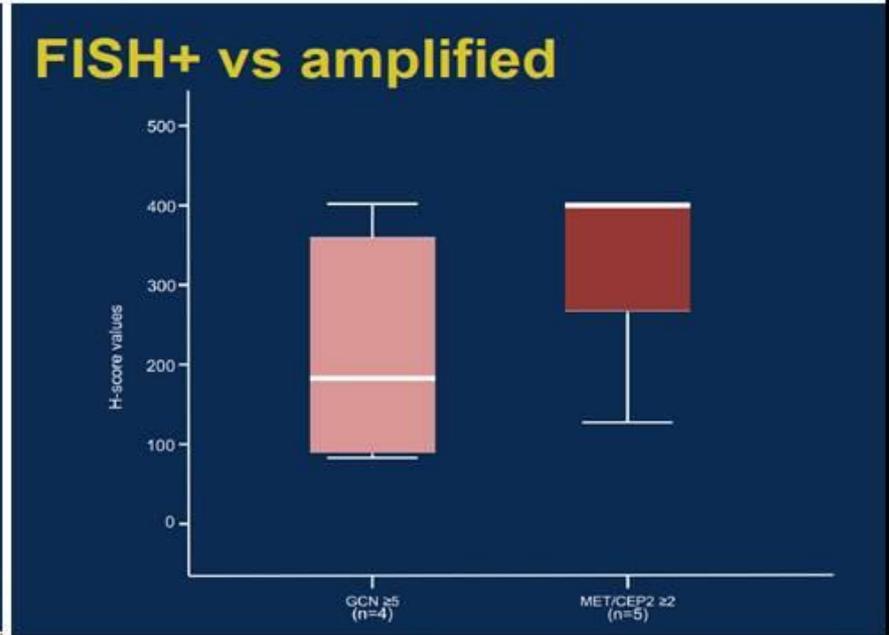
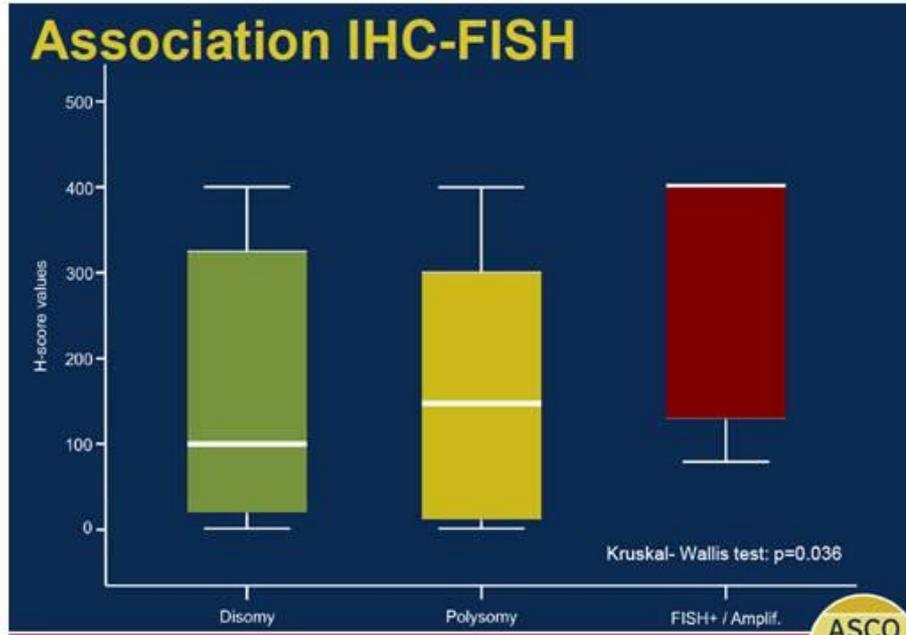


Mutation

≈3%



# MET expression and amplification



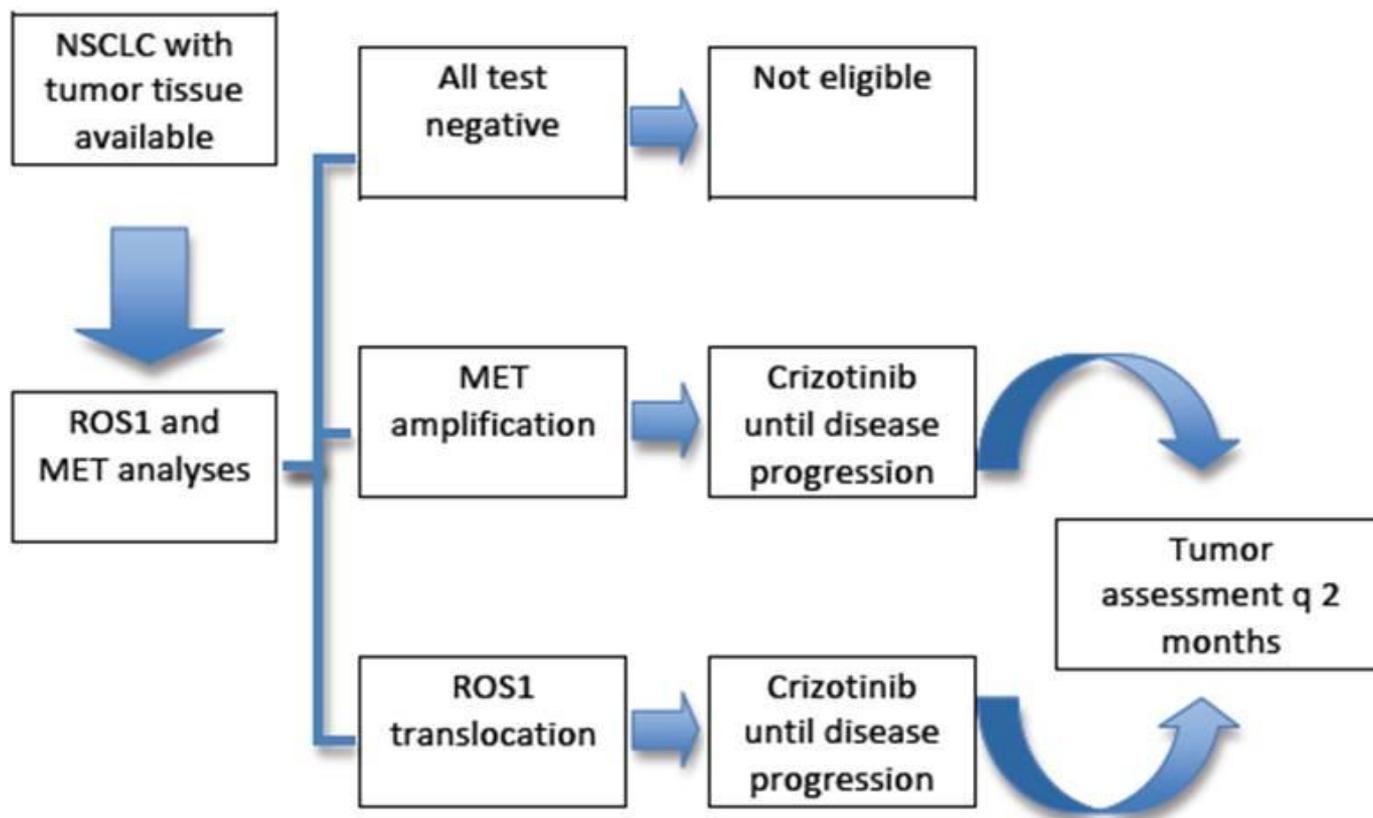
Arriola E et al., ASCO 2014 abstract # 11005



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# Crizotinib in MET amplified or ROS1 translocated NSCLC: The METROS trial



MET amplification defined as Ratio  $\geq 2$  and stratification in  $\geq 2$  and  $< 5$  versus  $\geq 5$

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# Conclusions

- MET remains a relevant target driving tumor growth in approximately 3% of NSCLC with *gene* amplification (ratio  $\geq 2.2$ )
- Prospective studies need to define the best cut-off (ratio 2.2 versus 5)
- *MET* amplification is detectable in smokers irrespective of histology
- IHC or MET gene copy number are not optimal for detecting patients potentially sensitive to anti-MET strategies
- New studies with anti-MET agents should be conducted **ONLY** in properly selected patients

