

Immunotherapie bij het melanoom: het liefst zo vroeg mogelijk

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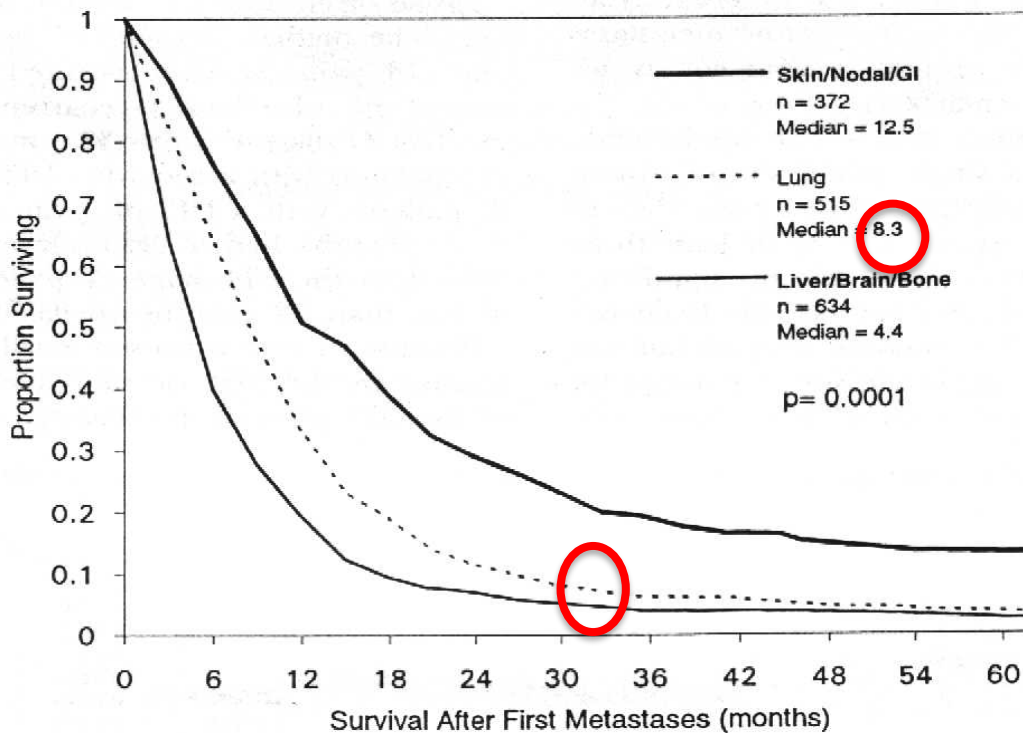


Melanoma

- 7000 new patients in the Netherlands and about 800 will get distant metastases
- 10th place of most frequent diagnosed malignancy
- largely confined to whites
- incidence is increasing and varies around the world



Metastatic Melanoma survival prior to 2010

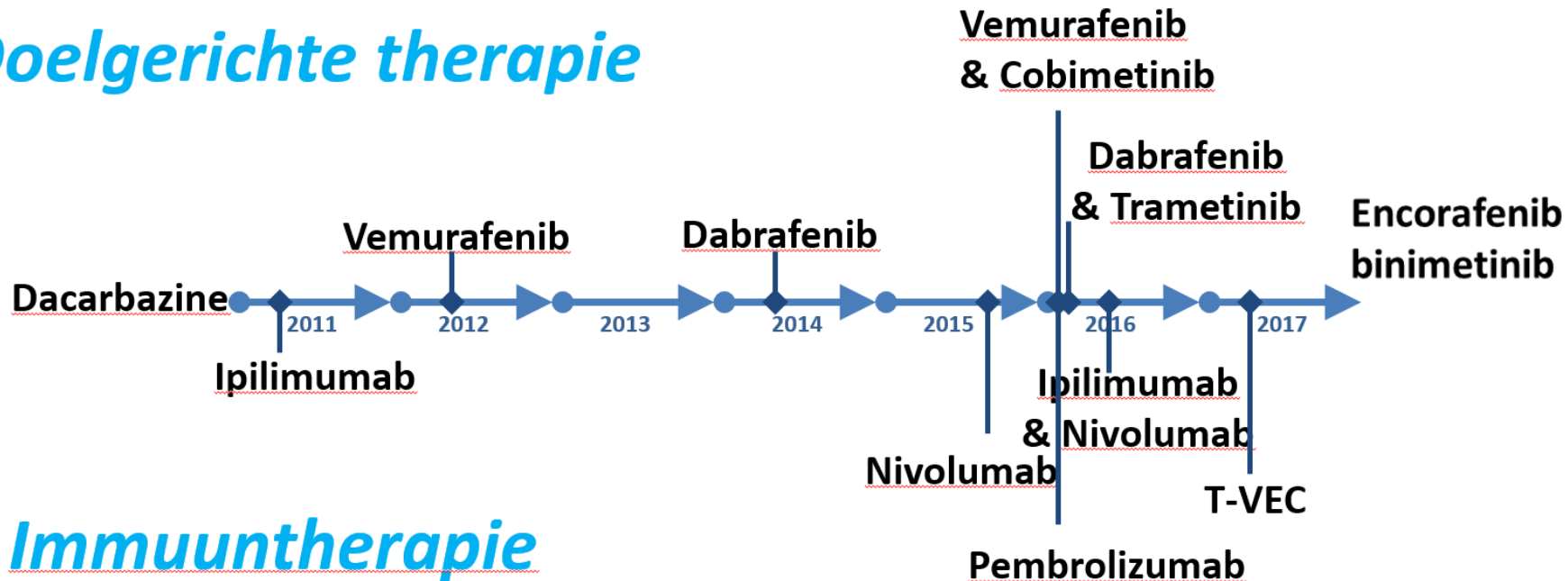




Veranderd therapeutisch landschap

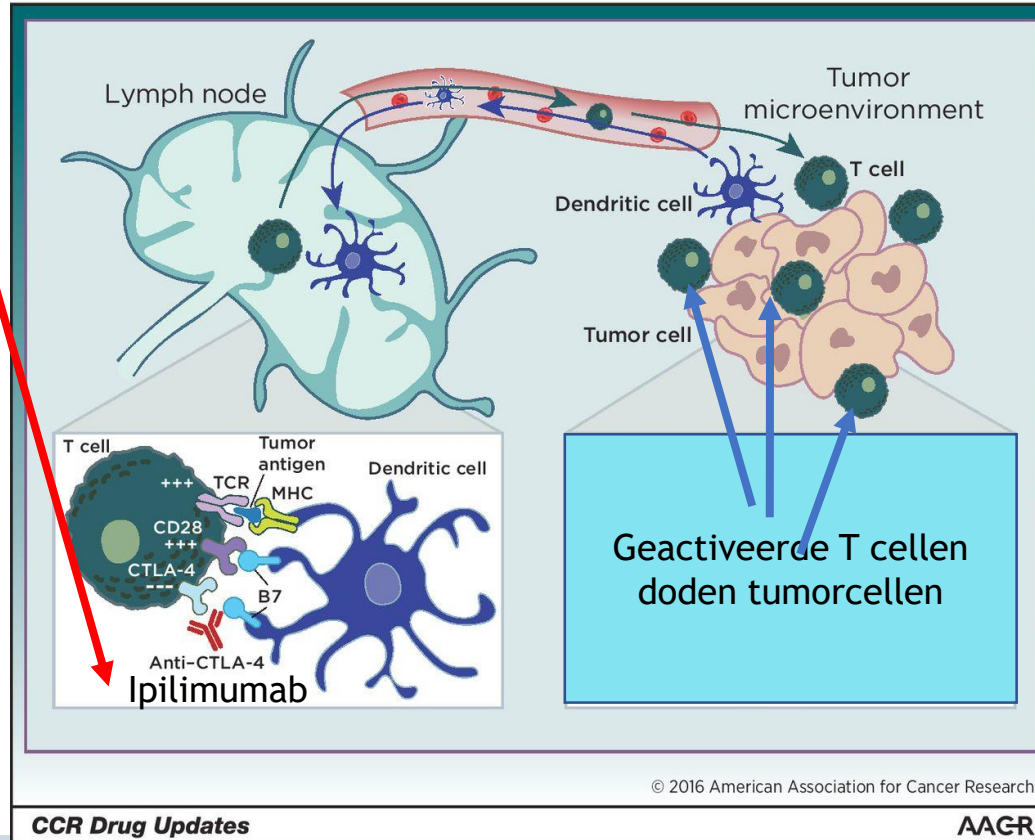
gemetastaseerd melanoom

Doelgerichte therapie



Immunotherapie

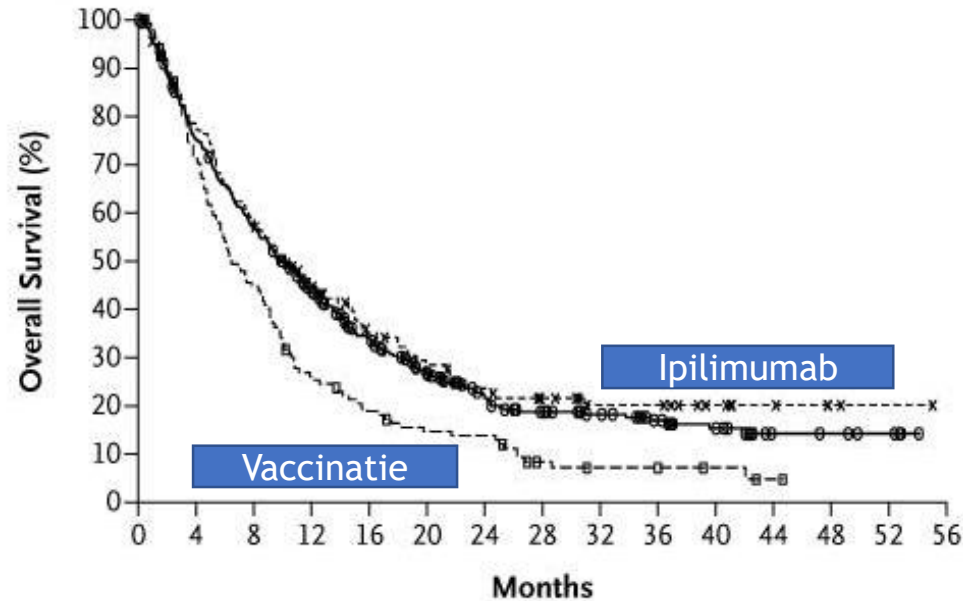
Ipilimumab blokkeert de remming van de geactiveerde T cel door binding aan CTLA-4 (checkpoint)



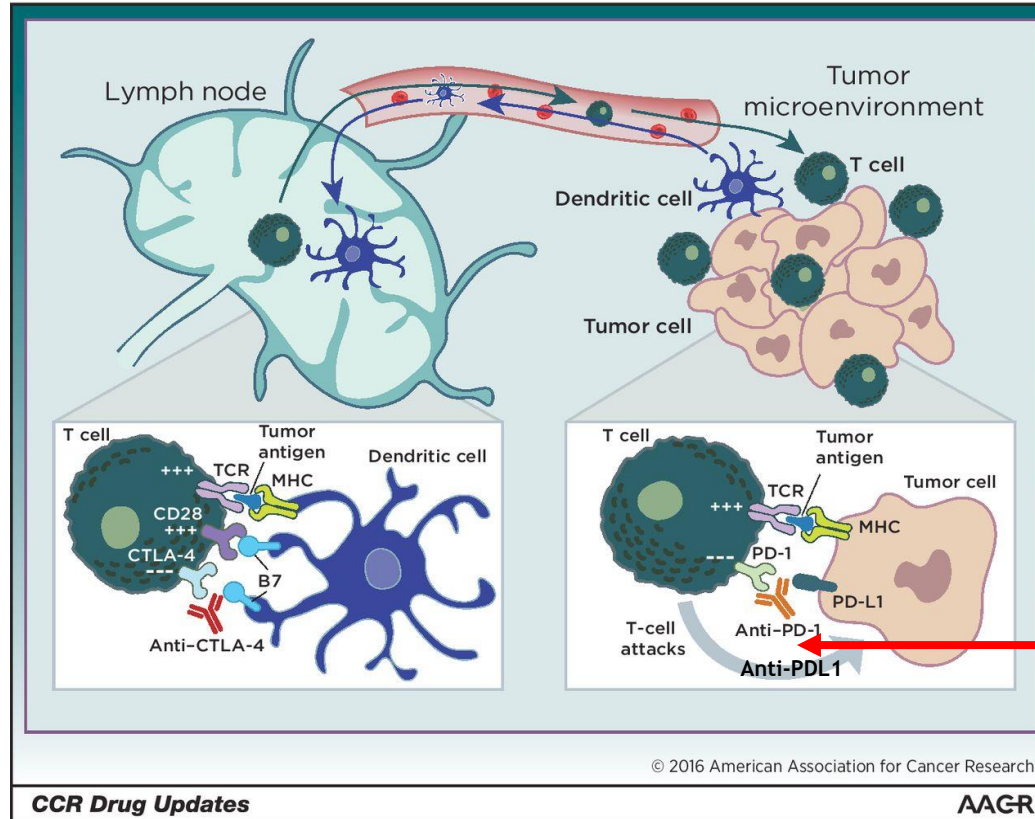
Adapted from Matteo S. Carlino, and Georgina V. Long Clin Cancer Res 2016;22:3992-3998

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Ipilimumab verbetert de overleving van gemetastaseerde melanoompatiënten

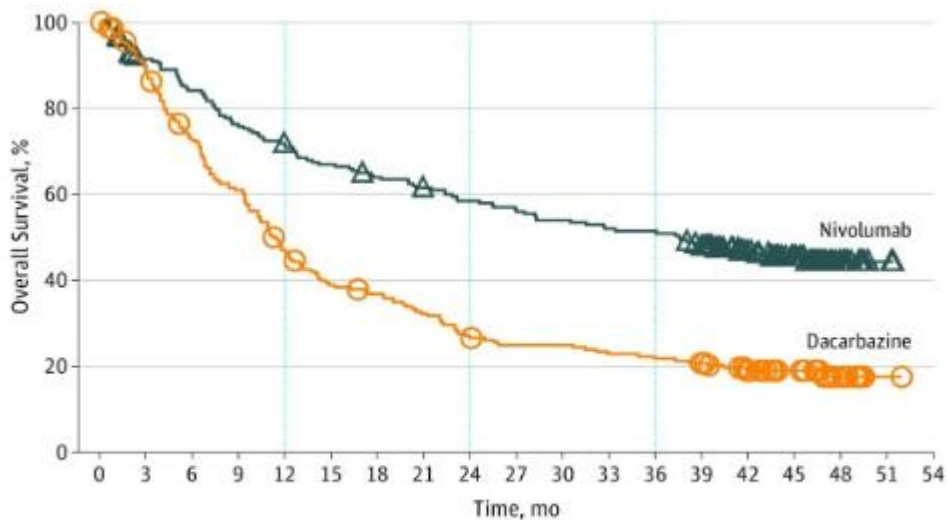


Anti-PD1 of anti-PDL1 antistoffen blokkeren de PDL1-PD1 interactie in de tumor zodat T cel niet uitgeschakeld kan worden in het micro-milieu van de tumor





Nivolumab improves survival in BRAF-wild type Metastatic Melanoma

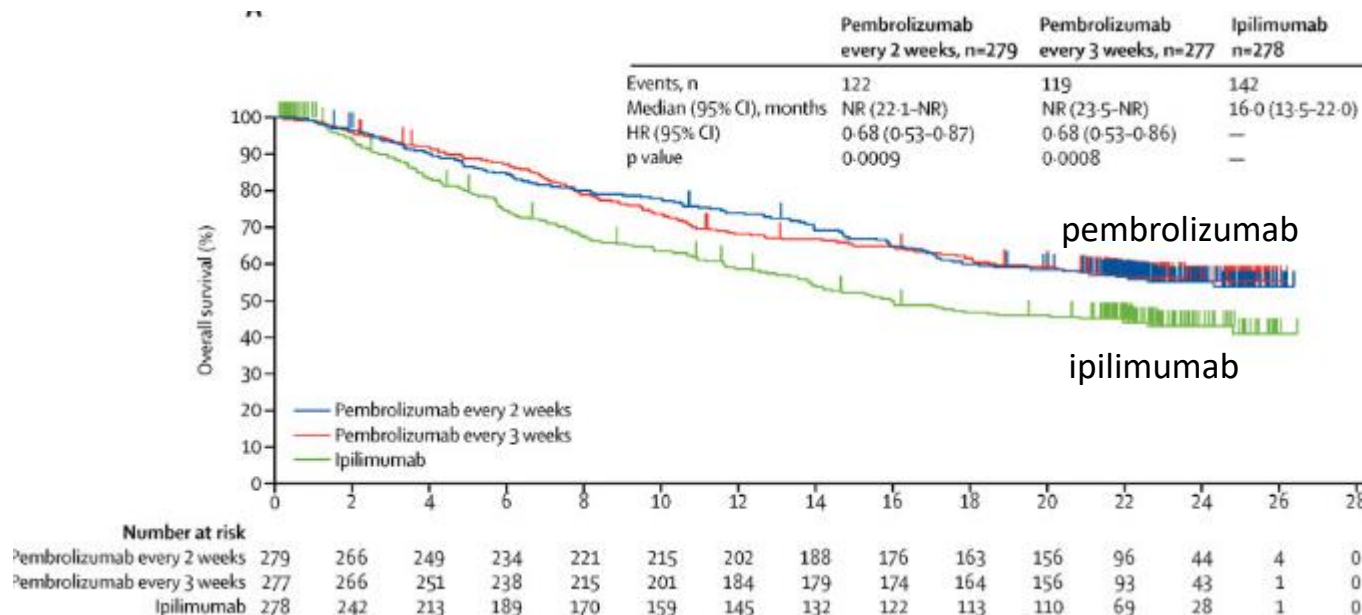


No. at risk

Nivolumab	210	186	171	154	143	135	128	122	116	111	107	103	102	92	72	53	16	2	0
Dacarbazine	208	179	146	122	92	76	71	62	51	47	47	43	41	38	26	19	7	1	0



Pembrolizumab improves survival in Metastatic Melanoma



CheckMate 067: study design

6.5-year follow up of a randomized, double-blind, phase 3 study to compare NIVO + IPI or NIVO alone with IPI alone^a

Previously untreated, unresectable, or metastatic melanoma

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1:1:1

Stratify by:

- *BRAF* status
- AJCC M stage
- Tumor PD-L1 expression < 5% vs ≥ 5%

n = 314

NIVO 1 mg/kg + IPI 3 mg/kg Q3W for 4 doses then NIVO 3 mg/kg Q2W

n = 316

NIVO 3 mg/kg Q2W + IPI-matched placebo

n = 315

IPI 3 mg/kg Q3W for 4 doses + NIVO-matched placebo

Treat until progression or unacceptable toxicity

Endpoints:
Co-primary^b: PFS, OS
Secondary: ORR, descriptive efficacy assessments,^c safety

Database lock: October 19, 2020; minimum follow-up of 77 months for all patients

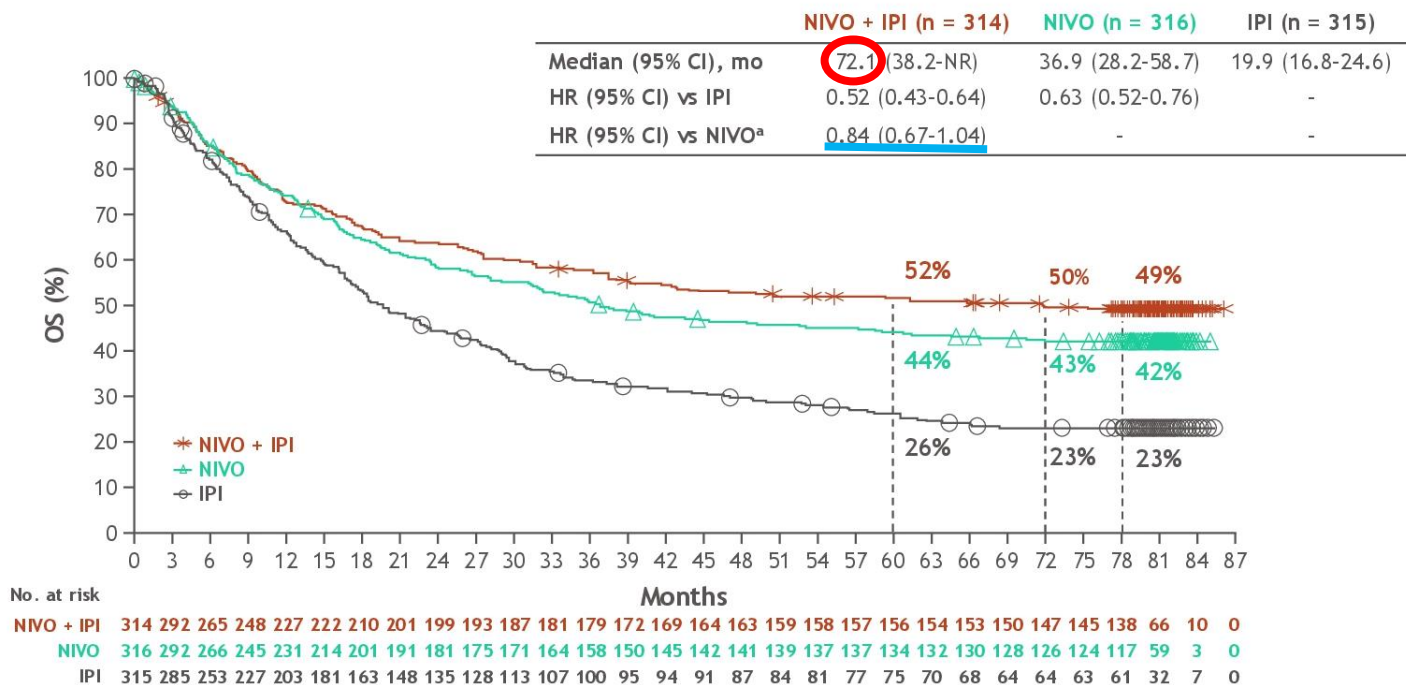
^aThe study was not powered for a comparison between NIVO+IPI and NIVO. ^bNIVO + IPI or NIVO vs IPI alone. ^cNIVO + IPI vs NIVO alone. AJCC, American Joint Committee on Cancer; M stage, metastasis stage; ORR, objective response rate; PD-L1, programmed death ligand 1; PFS, progression-free survival; Q2W, every 2 weeks; Q3W, every 3 weeks.

Response to treatment at 6.5 years

	NIVO + IPI (n = 314)	NIVO (n = 316)	IPI (n = 315)
ORR (95% CI), %	58 (53-64)	45 (39-51)	19 (15-24)
Best overall response, %			
Complete response	23	19	6
Partial response	36	26	13
Stable disease	12	9	22
Progressive disease	24	38	50
Unknown	6	8	9
Median duration of response (95% CI), months	NR (61.9-NR)	NR (45.7-NR)	19.2 (8.8-47.4)

CI, confidence interval; NR, not yet reached.

Overall survival



^aDescriptive analysis.



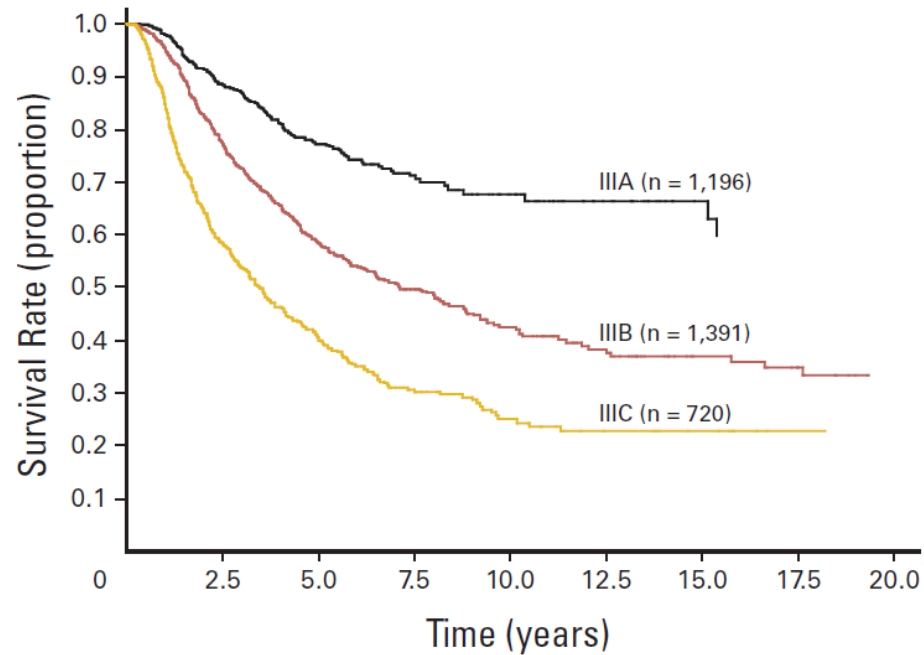
Prognostische factoren

- performance
- LDH
- M3A beter dan M3c
- aantal organen met metastasen
- totale hoeveelheid tumor
- mutational load

Hoe lager de tumorload
des te beter de
immunotherapie werkt



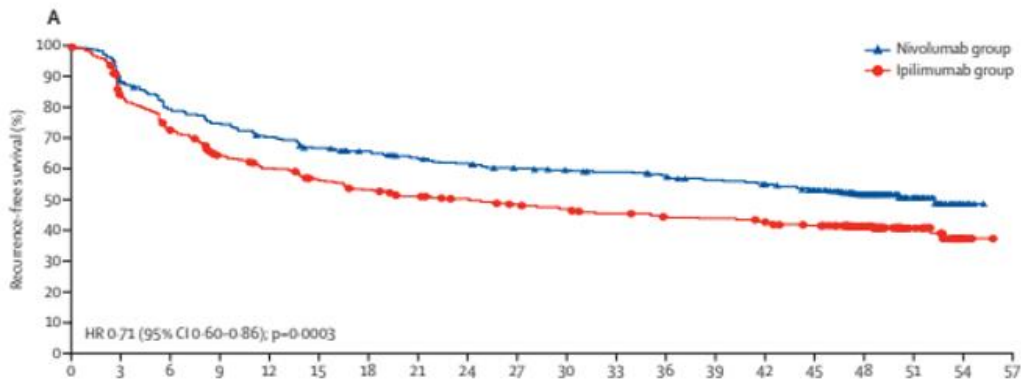
Stadium 3 melanoom zonder (neo-)adjuvant overleving



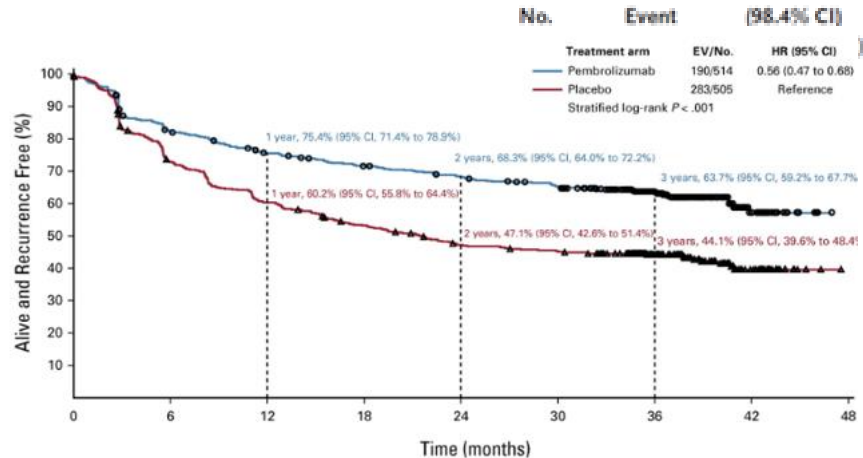


Anti-PD1 behandeling bij hoogrisico stadium 3 melanoom: betere recidiefvrije overleving

Nivolumab vs ipilimumab



Pembrolizumab vs placebo

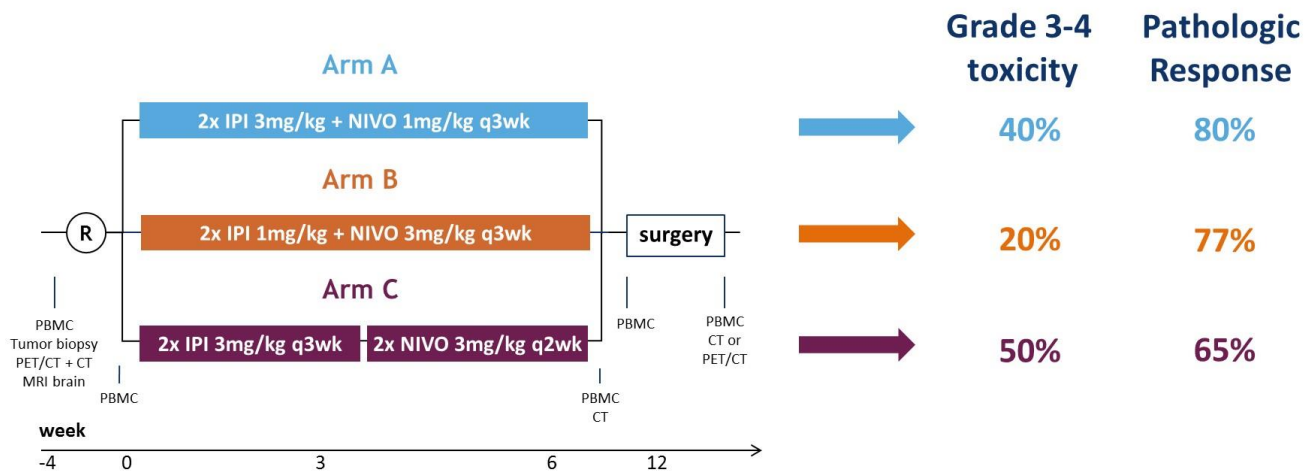




Rationale neoadjuvante immunotherapie stadium 3 melanoom

- geeft inzicht of behandeling aanslaat
- aanwijzingen dat er een sterkere en bredere T cel respons wordt geïnduceerd (Blank et al. Nat. Med. 2018)
- biedt potentieel de mogelijkheid om af te zien van een lymfekliertoilet
- biedt potentieel de mogelijkheid om duur en type adjuvante behandeling aan te passen

The OpACIN-neo study identified neoadjuvant IPI 1 mg/kg + NIVO 3 mg/kg as the optimal treatment scheme



Rozeman et al., *Lancet Oncology*, 2019

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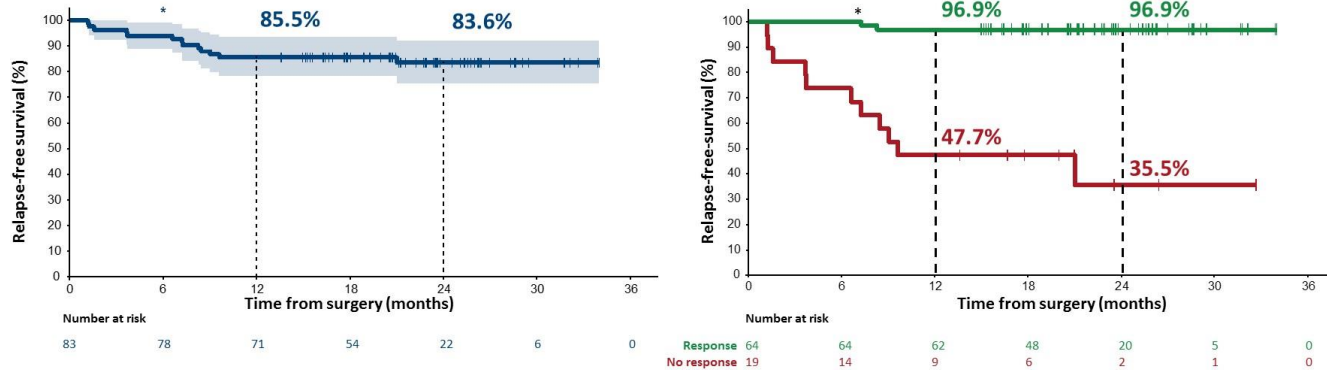
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Dosing in Arm A, B, and C based on data from Blank, et al. *Nat Med* 2018,
Long, et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2017, Meerveld-Eggink et al. *Ann Oncol* 2017

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Promising RFS after 2 years follow-up and pathologic response predicts outcome

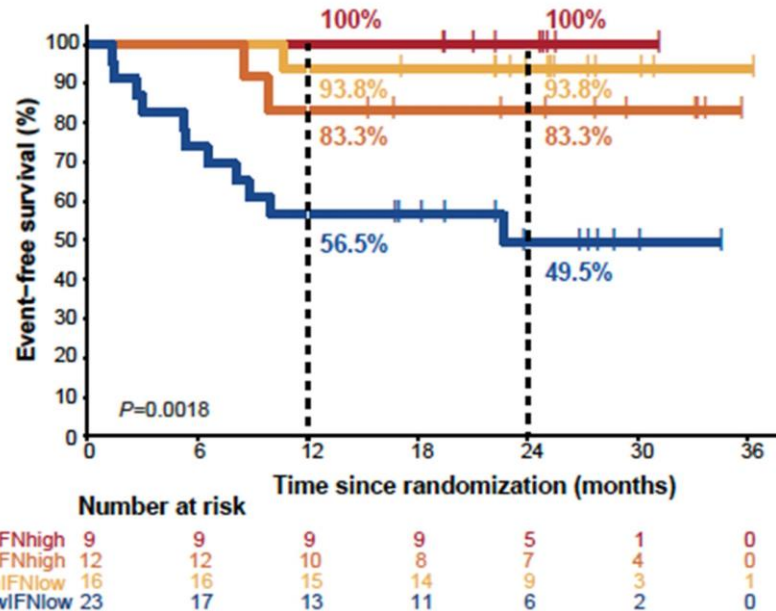
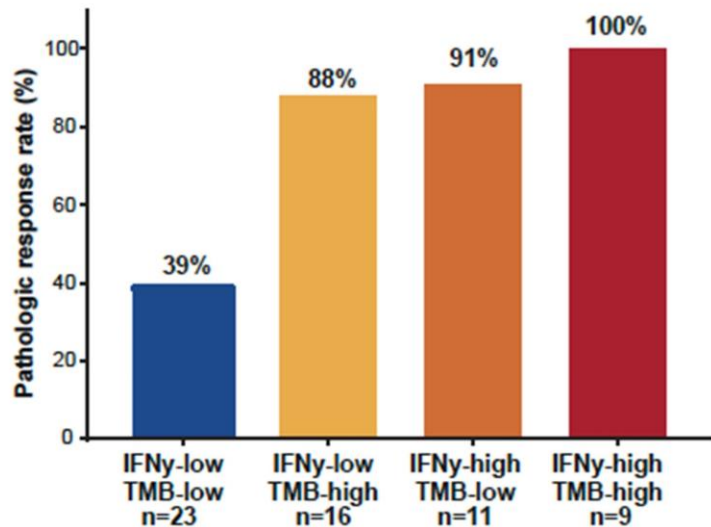
- **OpACIN-neo**: After a median follow-up of 24.6 months, only 1/64 (2%) patients with pathologic response has relapsed



(near-)pCR = (near) pathologic complete response, pPR = pathologic partial response, pNR = pathologic non-response

Rozeman et al., abstract 10015, ASCO 2020

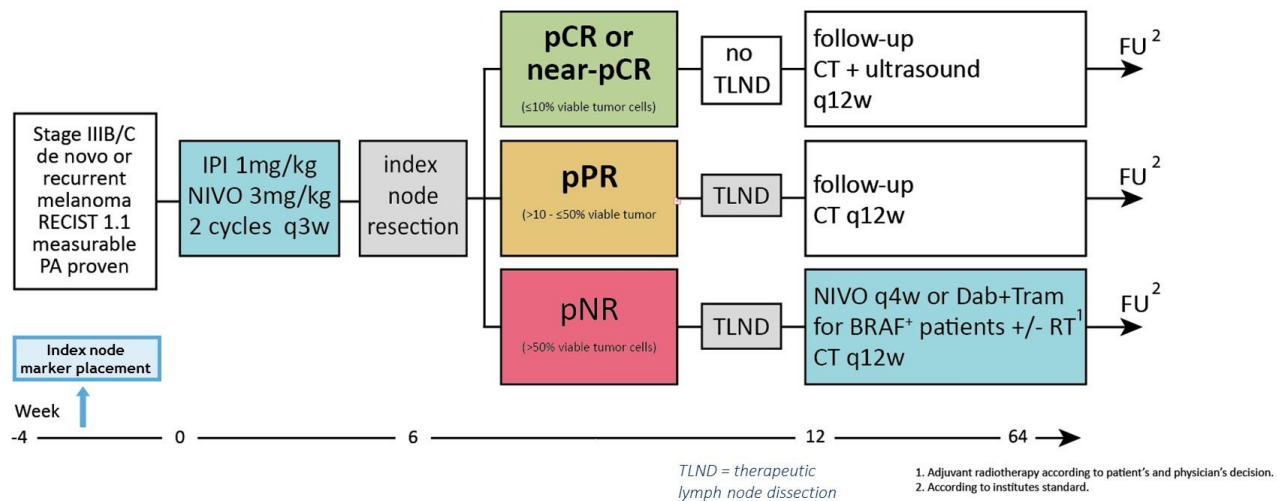
Can we identify baseline response marker for response upon neo-adjuvant IPI+NIVO? –OpACIN-neo



Rozeman et al. Nat Med 2021

PRADO: study design

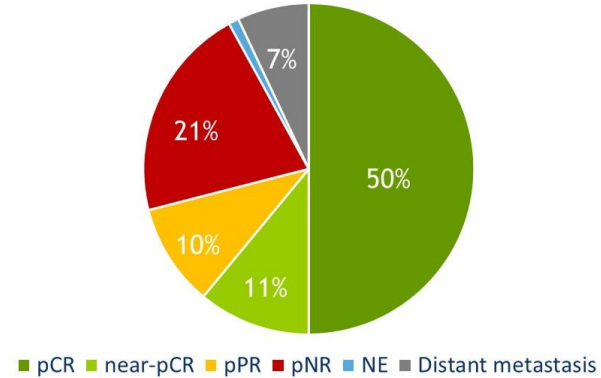
Personalized Response-driven Adjuvant therapy after Combination of Ipilimumab and Nivolumab in stage IIIB/C melanoma



Pathologic response

PRADO	Total cohort (n=99) ¹
pRR	70 (71%)
pCR	49 (50%)
Near-pCR	11 (11%)
pPR	10 (10%)
pNR	21 (21%)
Not evaluable ²	1 (1%)
Distant metastases	7 (7%)

1. In two patients the pathologic response was based on the TLND.
2. One patient did not undergo surgery due to toxicity. This patient had a radiologic response.



MPR 61%

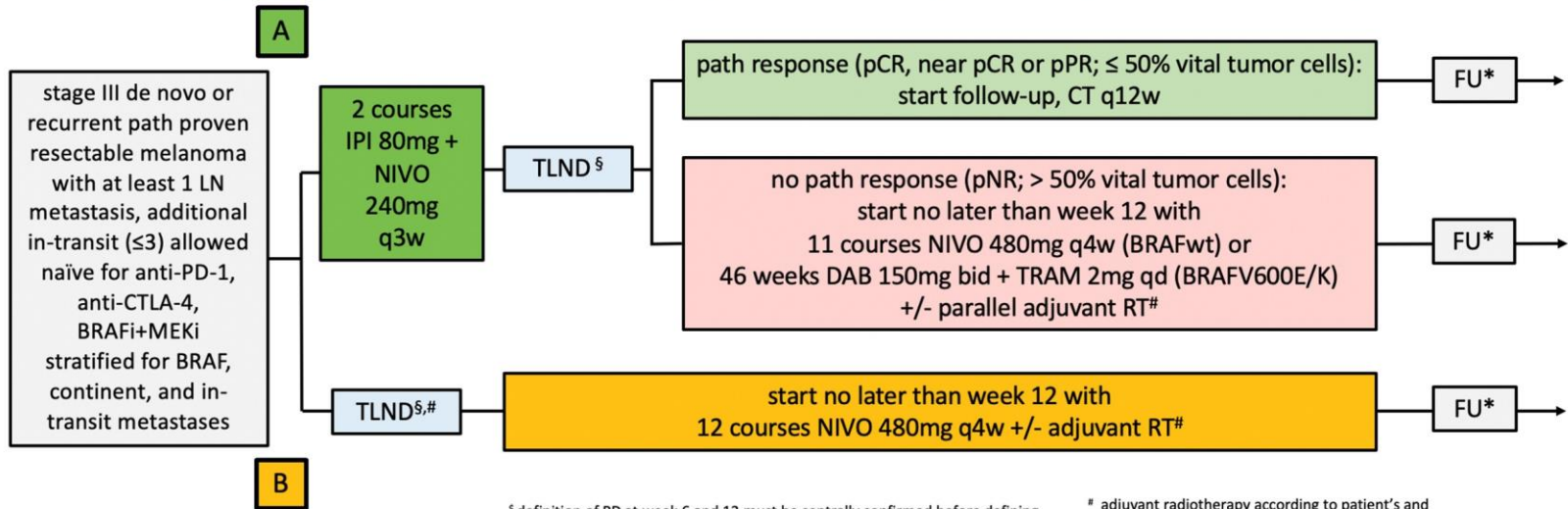
Immune-related AEs within the first 12 weeks

Adverse event	All grade (%)	Grade 3-4 (%)	Adverse event	All grade (%)	Grade 3-4 (%)
Any adverse event	96 (97)	22 (22)	Serum lipase increased	8 (8)	3 (3)
Fatigue	54 (55)	–	Dry skin	7 (7)	–
Rash	47 (47)	3 (3)	Fever	7 (7)	–
Pruritus	27 (27)	–	Colitis	6 (6)	4 (4)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	22 (22)	7 (7)	Creatine kinase increased	6 (6)	1 (1)
Hyperthyroidism	22 (22)	–	Dry eye	6 (6)	–
Diarrhea	21 (21)	5 (5)	Dyspnea	5 (5)	–
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	20 (20)	5 (5)	Serum amylase increased	4 (4)	1 (1)
Nausea	18 (18)	1 (1)	Myocarditis	2 (2)	2 (2)
Dry mouth	16 (16)	–	Ggt increased	2 (2)	1 (1)
Hypothyroidism	16 (16)	–	Cholangitis	1 (1)	1 (1)
Arthralgia	15 (15)	–	Confusion	1 (1)	1 (1)
Headache	13 (13)	1 (1)	Myelitis transversa-like syndrome	1 (1)	1 (1)
Myalgia	10 (10)	–			
Infusion related reaction	8 (8)	–			

Adverse events that occurred in ≥ 5 patients or were grade 3-4 are displayed in the table

Phase 3 trial comparing response driven neo-adjuvant combination of ipilimumab + nivolumab versus adjuvant nivolumab (NADINA 2021)

(420 pts, EFS at 24 months 60% > 75%, alpha two-sided 0.05, power 90%, cure model statistics)

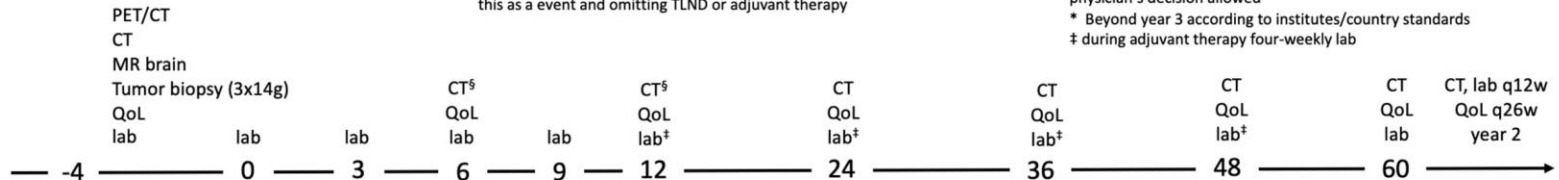


[§] definition of PD at week 6 and 12 must be centrally confirmed before defining this as a event and omitting TLND or adjuvant therapy

[#] adjuvant radiotherapy according to patient's and physician's decision allowed

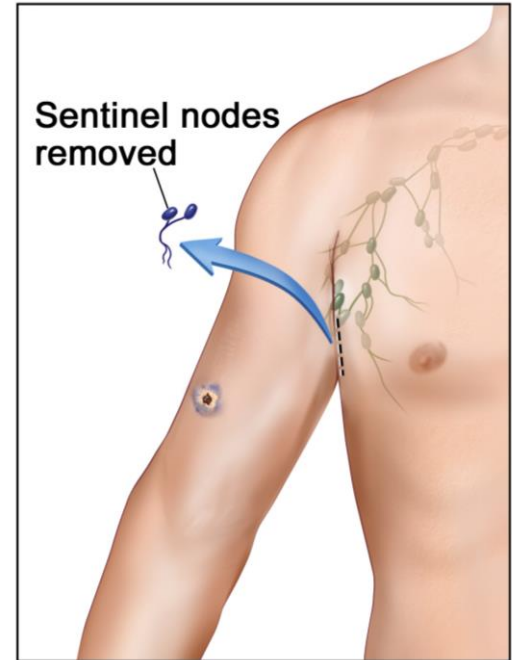
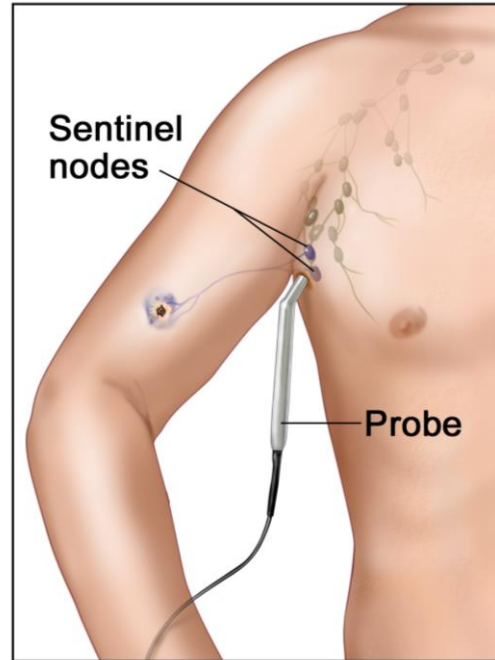
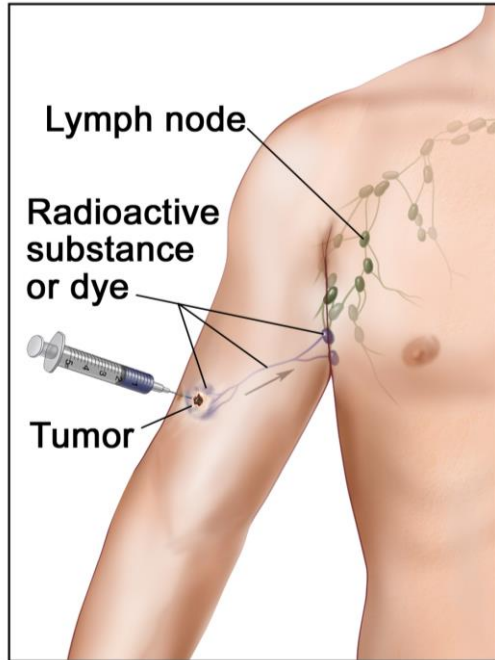
* Beyond year 3 according to institutes/country standards

‡ during adjuvant therapy four-weekly lab





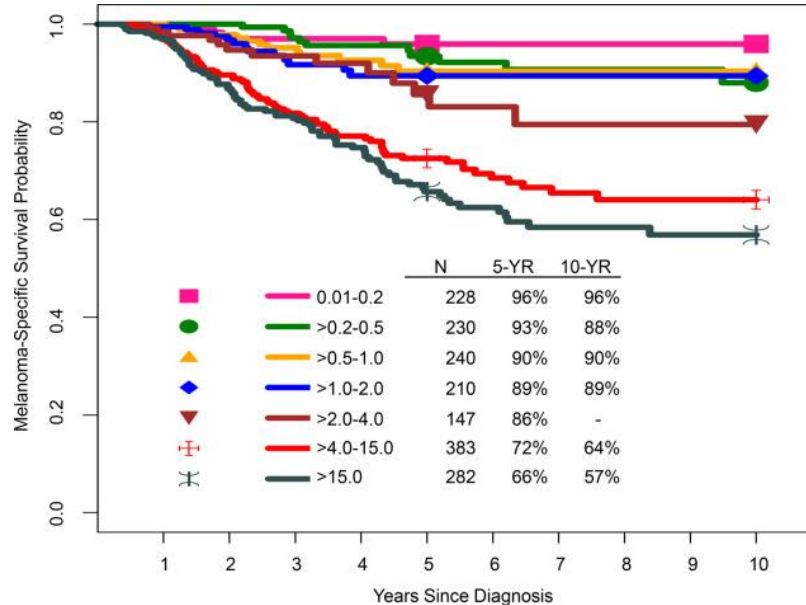
Sentinel node biopsy/schildwachtklierprocedure bij melanoom geeft inzicht in prognose



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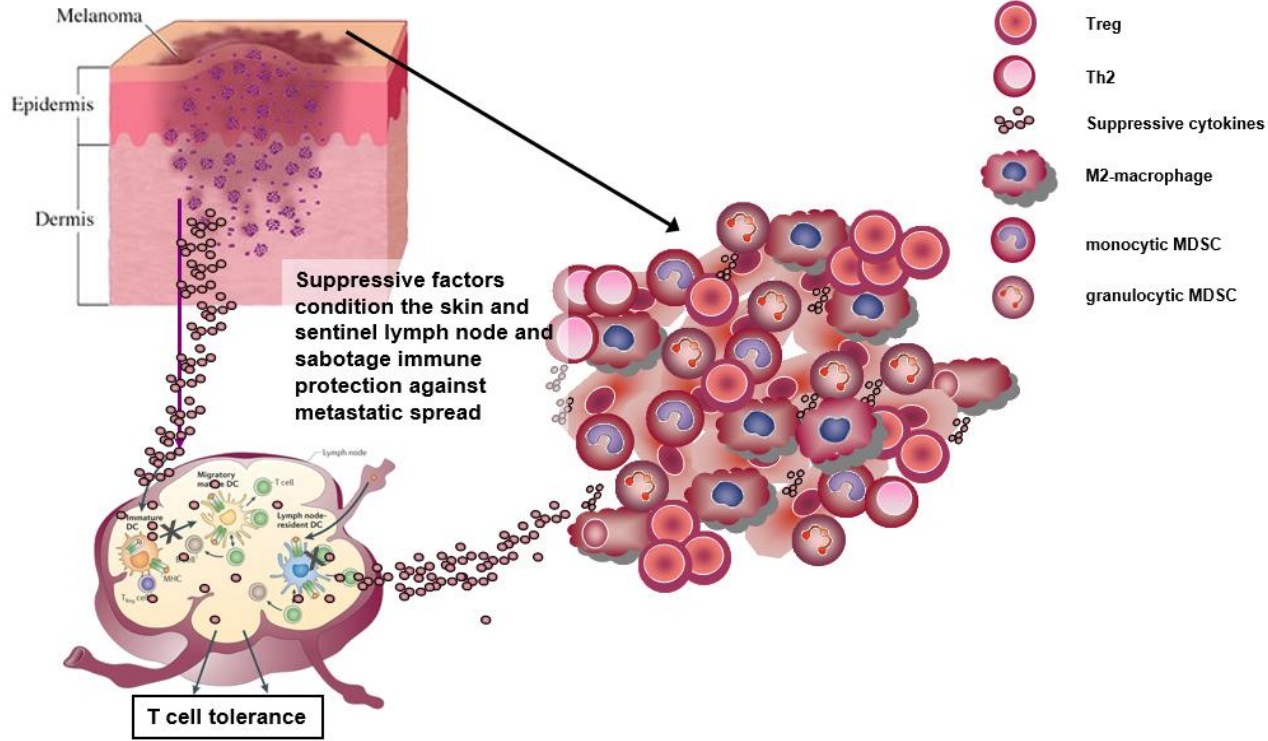


Grootte metastase in schildwachtklier prognose



Melanoom

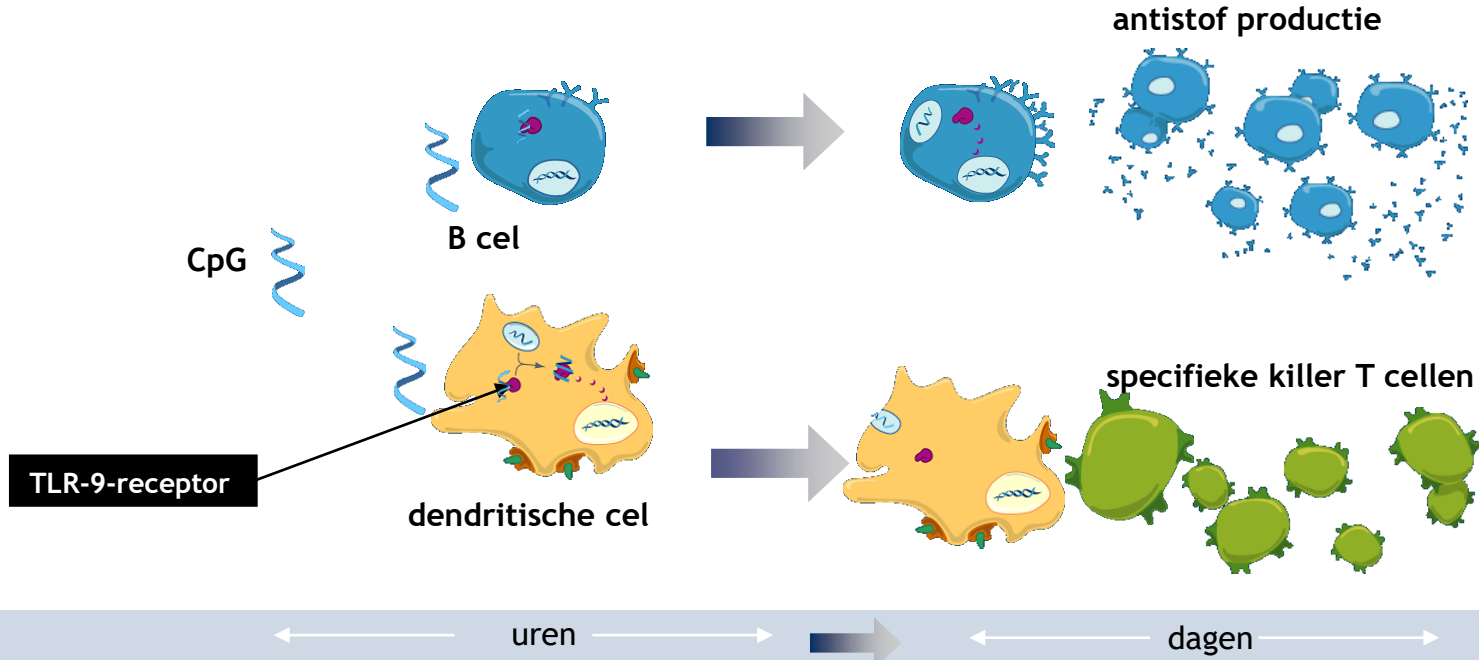
zorgt voor immuunsuppressief milieu in lymfeklier





CpG

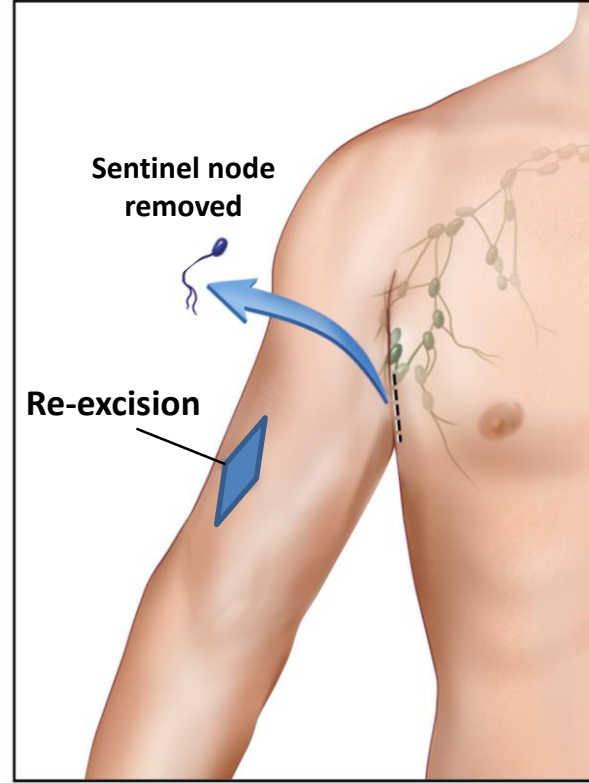
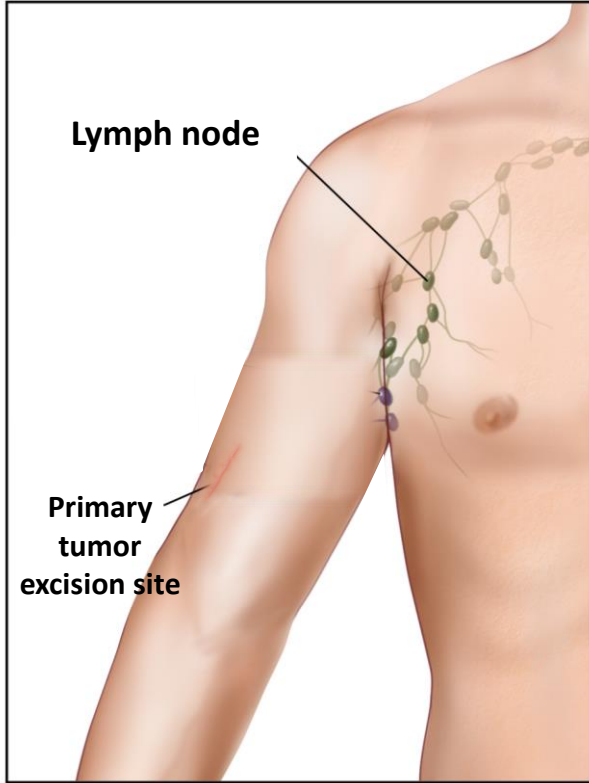
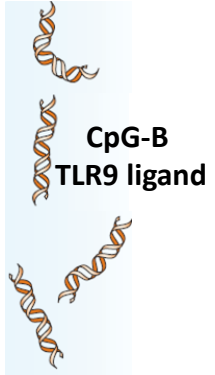
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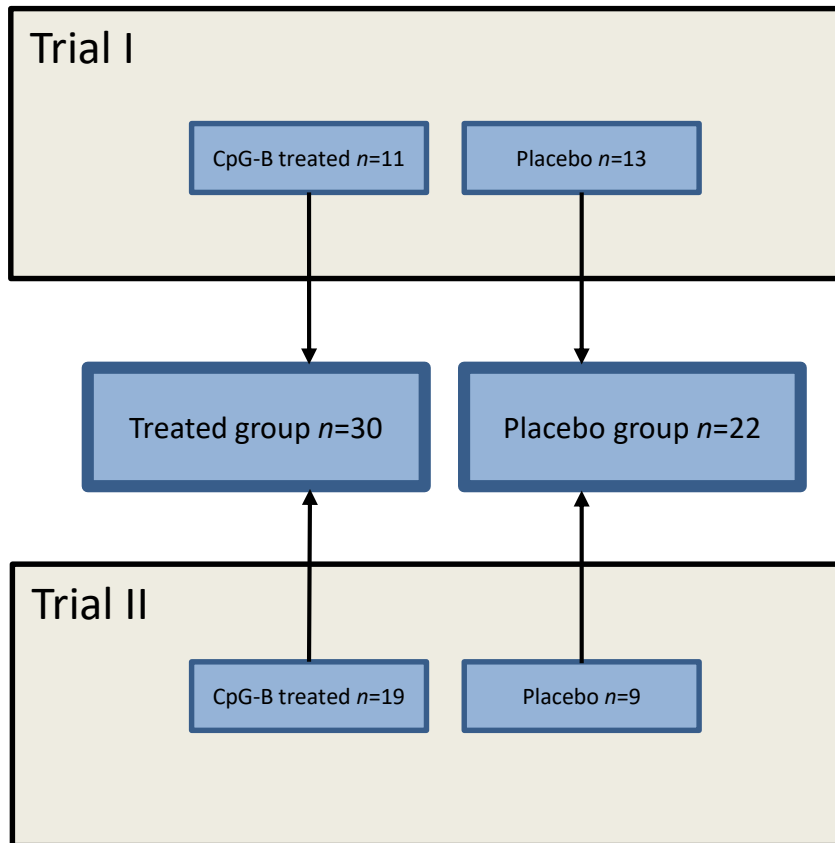




Day -7

Day 0





Intradermal CpG-B Activates Both Plasmacytoid and Myeloid Dendritic Cells in the Sentinel Lymph Node of Melanoma Patients

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Significant difference in tumor positive SLN after 7 days

Table 1: Patient and tumor characteristics

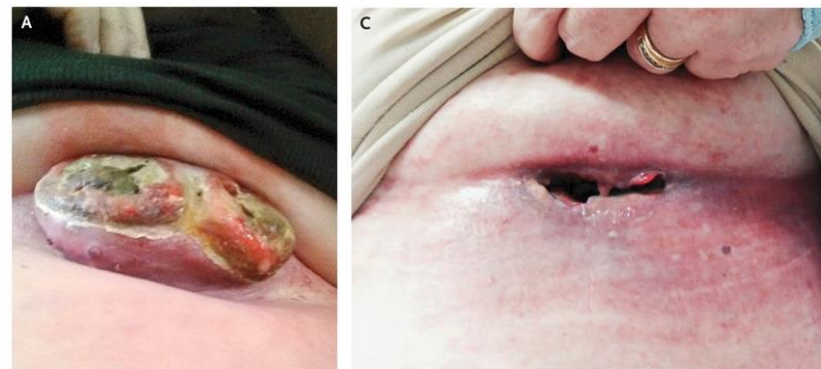
1a. At study enrolment

	Treated group (n = 30)	Saline group (n = 22)	Overall (n=52)
Age, in years			
Mean (SD)	54.1 (12.6)	50.9 (13.4)	52.7 (12.9)
Gender			
Male	16 (53.3)	13 (59.1)	29 (55.8)
Female	14 (46.7)	9 (40.9)	23 (44.2)
Location			
Head neck and trunk	20 (66.7)	12 (54.5)	32 (61.5)
Extremities	10 (33.3)	10 (45.5)	20 (38.5)
Histological subtype			
SSM	23 (76.7)	17 (77.3)	40 (76.9)
Nodular	4 (13.3)	4 (18.2)	8 (15.4)
Other or unknown	3 (10.0)	1 (4.5)	4 (7.7)
Breslow, in mm			
Mean (SD)	1.77 (0.98)	1.86 (1.24)	1.81 (1.09)
Ulceration			
Yes	5 (16.7)	4 (18.2)	9 (17.3)
No	25 (83.3)	18 (81.8)	43 (82.7)

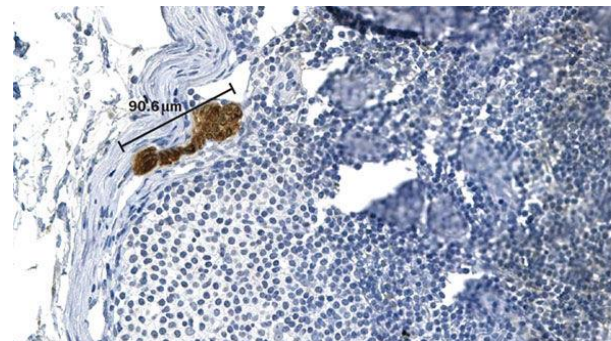
1b. After the Sentinel Lymph Node (SLN) procedure

Disease stage			
Stage I	16 (53.3)	8 (36.4)	24 (46.2)
Stage II	11 (36.7)	6 (27.3)	17 (32.7)
Stage III*	3 (10.0%)	8 (36.4)	11 (21.2)
Follow-up RFS, months			
Median (range)	81.2 (5-129)	97.3 (5-133)	88.8 (5-133)

Koster et al., *Clin Cancer Res*, 2017



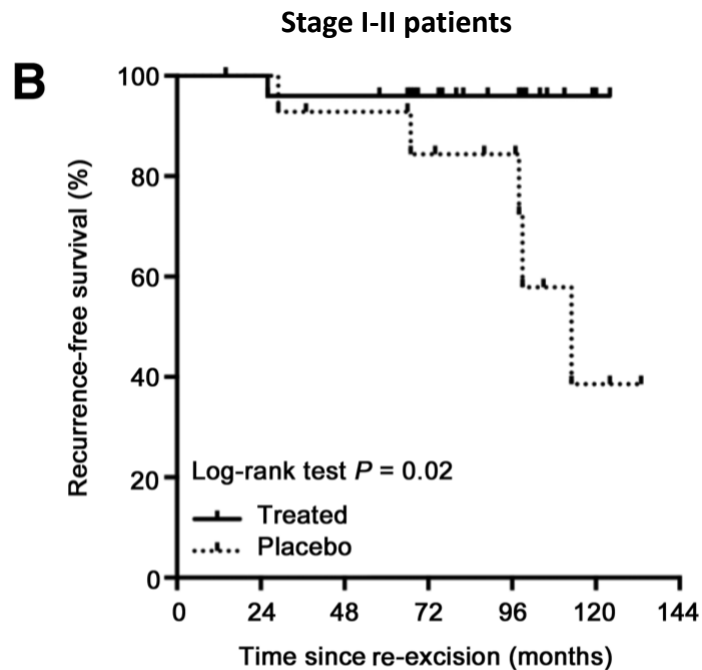
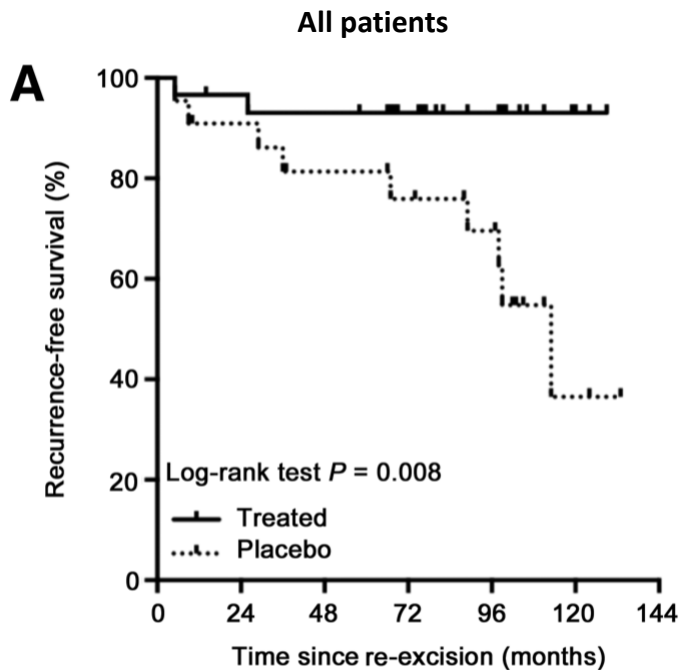
Chapman et al., *N Engl J Med*, 2015



van Akkooi et al., *Nat Rev Clin Oncol*, 2010



Verbeterde recidiefrije overleving na behandeling met CPG



INTRIM 1 trial design (n = 214) cT3-4N0M0 melanoma

Randomization (1:1)



7 days before SNB
and re-excision

Intradermal injection (1mL)
8mg IMO-2125 (TLR9 agonist)

Intradermal injection (1mL)
0.9% NaCl (placebo)

n = 10

n = 10

Immunomonitoring sub-study

SNB and re-excision

Primary endpoint: - SLN status

Follow-up at 5 and 10 years
Secondary endpoints: - RFS en OS



Immunotherapie in melanoom hoe eerder, hoe beter

- lagere tumorload en dus minder immuunsuppressief
- minder vaak een recidief (adjuvant)
- inzicht of behandeling aanslaat en minder snel een recidief (neo-adjuvant)
- IFN- γ -signature voorspelt mogelijk de effectiviteit van neo-adjuvante immunotherapie
- goedkoper, minder bijwerkingen en misschien wel minder vaak een recidief (INTRIM-studie / CPG)

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