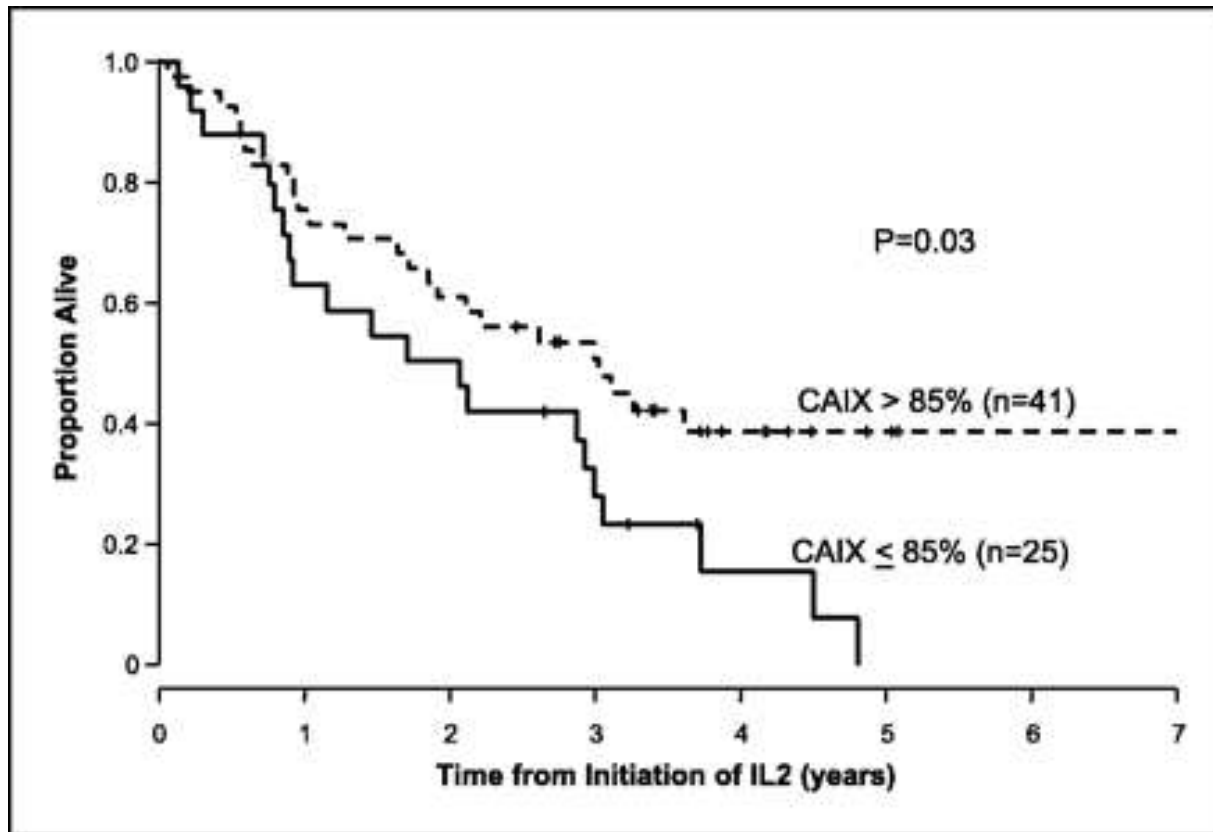


# Targeted therapy and surgery in RCC

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# Survival of >5 years was only seen in patients with high CAIX expressing tumors.

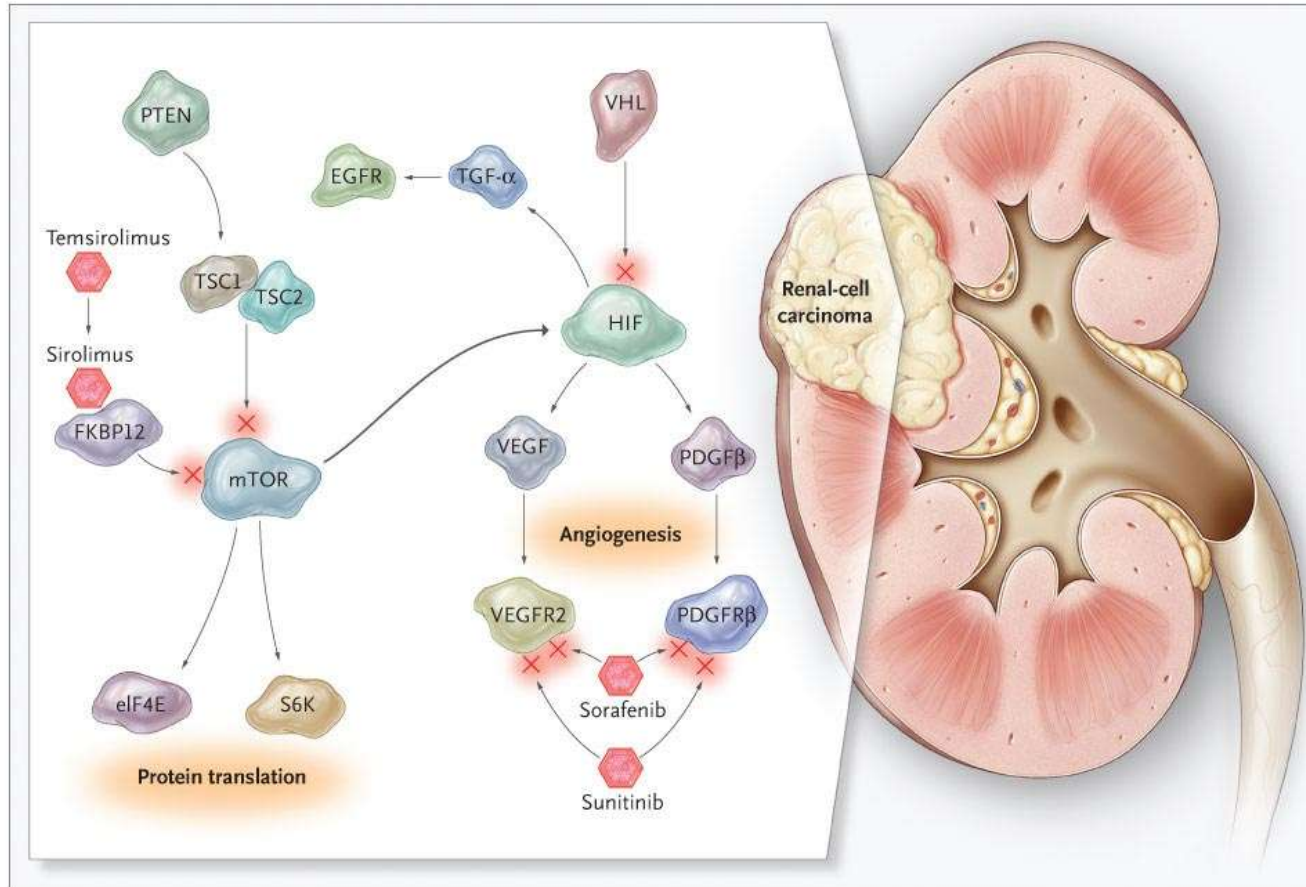


# Angiogenesis

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# Targeted therapy



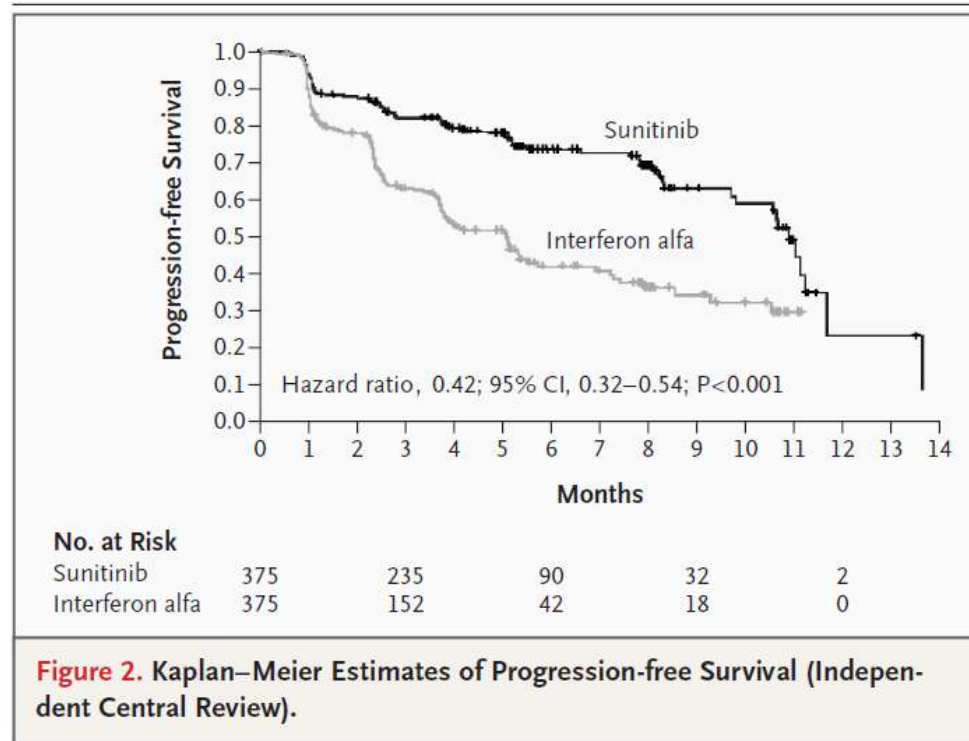
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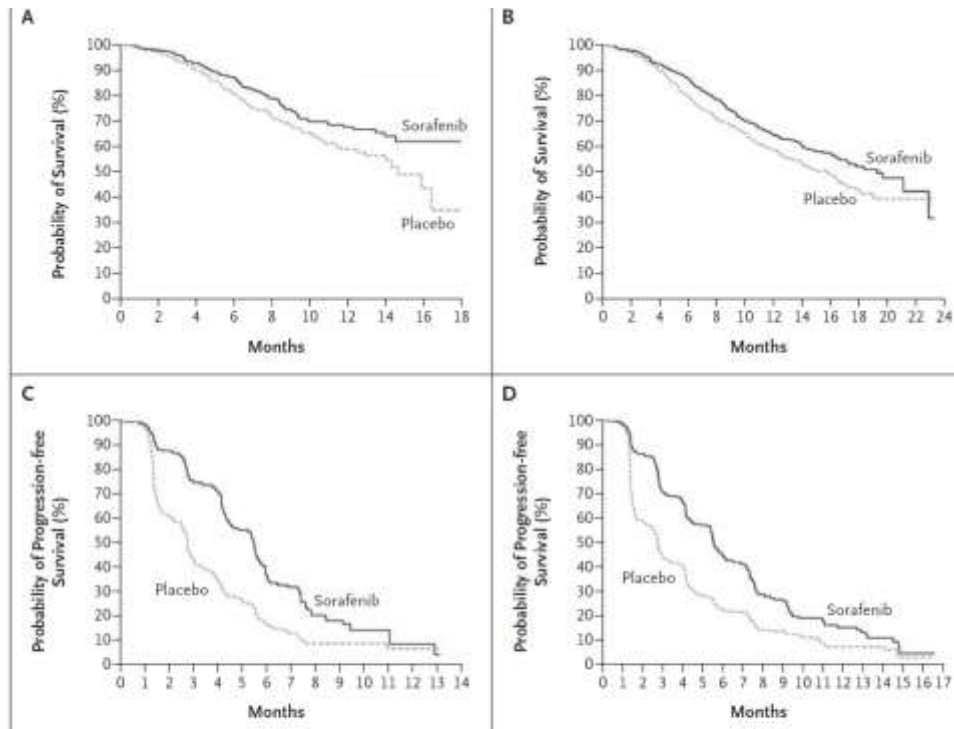
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## Sunitinib versus Interferon Alfa in Metastatic Renal-Cell Carcinoma



## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Sorafenib in Advanced Clear-Cell Renal-Cell Carcinoma



**Figure 2.** Kaplan-Meier Analysis of Overall Survival and Progression-free Survival.

Panel A shows the probability of overall survival among 903 patients — 451 receiving sorafenib and 452 receiving placebo — in May 2005, when patients receiving placebo were allowed to switch to sorafenib ( $P=0.02$  for the comparison between the two study groups; O'Brien-Fleming threshold for statistical significance,  $P=0.0005$ ). Panel B shows the probability of overall survival among the same patients in November 2005 ( $P=0.02$ ; O'Brien-Fleming threshold for statistical significance,  $P=0.0094$ ). Panel C shows the probability of progression-free survival among 769 patients — 384 patients receiving sorafenib and 385 patients receiving placebo — who were assessed in an independent review in January 2005 ( $P<0.001$ ). Panel D shows the probability of progression-free survival among all 903 patients, according to a review by investigators in May 2005 ( $P<0.001$ ).

# Immunotherapy was the standard of care for patients with RCC for decades

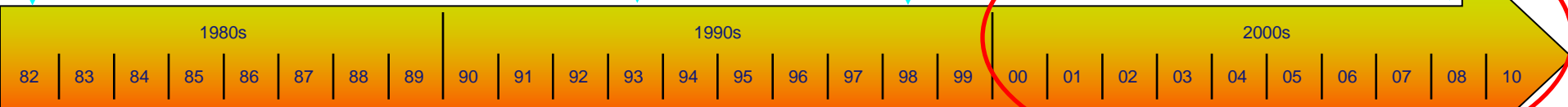
**Cytokines: Immunotherapy:** IL-2 and IFN- $\alpha$   
first to report activity

**VHL tumor suppressor gene isolated:**  
First gene identified to cause a proportion  
of hereditary RCC and other tumors

**Prognostic factors:**  
Described

**Bevacizumab + IFN- $\alpha$ :**  
EMA approval

**Temsirolimus  
FDA approval:**  
Based on Phase III data



**High-dose IL-2  
FDA approval:**  
Phase II data

**Bevacizumab:**  
Data established activity  
of antiangiogenic agents  
in RCC

**VEGFr TKI FDA approval:**  
Sorafenib based on Phase III  
and Sunitinib based on Phase II  
data

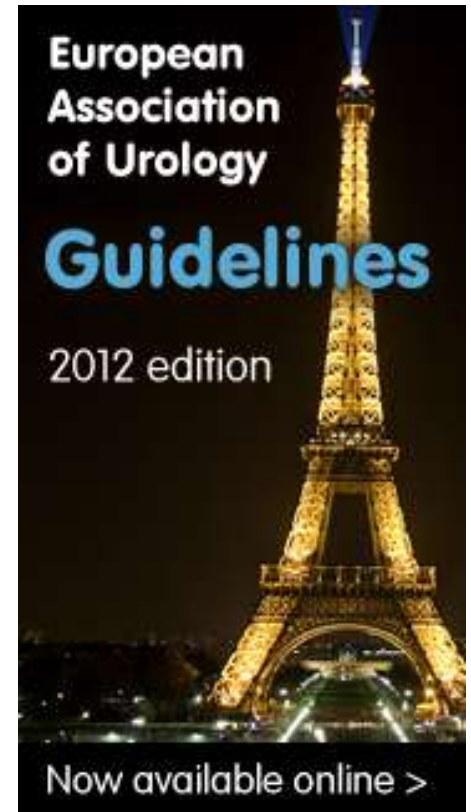
**Everolimus, Pazopanib  
FDA-approval:**  
Based on Phase III data



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# Guidelines on Renal Cell Carcinoma

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## Side-effect profile

	Incidence of AEs* (%)			
	Sorafenib (n=451)		Placebo (n=451) <sup>†</sup>	
	Any grade	Grades 3 –4	Any grade	Grades 3 –4
Diarrhoea	43	2	13	1
Rash/desquamation	40	1	16	<1
Fatigue	37	5	28	4
HFSR	30	6	7	–
Hypertension	17	4	2	<1
Dyspnoea	14	4	12	2
Decreased haemoglobin	8	3	7	4
Bone pain	8	1	8	3
Tumour pain	6	3	5	2

Treatment discontinuation rates were similar: 10% sorafenib, 8% placebo

\*National Cancer Institute-Common Toxicity Criteria (NCI-CTC, version 3) treatment-emergent AEs occurring in  $\geq 2\%$  of patients; <sup>†</sup>One patient was not evaluable for safety

AEs = adverse events; HFSR = hand-foot skin reaction

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# Management of sorafenib AEs

- Common adverse reactions associated with sorafenib are
  - HFSR/rash
  - gastrointestinal side effects
  - hypertension
  - fatigue
- The majority of AEs are manageable and reversible

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# Hand–foot skin reaction

- HFSR occurs in 30% of patients (grade 3–4 = 7%)
- Initial recommended management strategies are
  - manicure and pedicure before and during treatment
  - shock absorbing soles etc. for pressure points, sandals
  - application of alcohol-free moisturiser immediately after bathing
- Recommended pharmacological interventions include
  - treatment delay and adjustments if grade 3 toxicity occurs
- Corticosteroids have no proven efficacy

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# Grade 2 Hand–Foot Syndrome



- Thick stratum corneum
- Erythema
- Pseudo blisters without fluid
- Minimal pain
- No loss of function
- Impairment in certain activities

# Example of Grade 3 Hand–Foot Syndrome with TKI Treatment

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- Erythema and desquamation over entire surface of sole
- Pain
- Complete loss of function

# Rash/desquamation

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- Rash occurs in 40% of patients (grade 3–4 <1%)
- Initial recommended management strategies are
  - grade 1: moisturising cream twice daily
  - colloidal oatmeal lotions and soap
  - antidandruff shampoo
  - loose clothing
  - avoidance of direct sunlight, detergents, antibacterial soaps, alcohol-based perfume
  - use sun protection of factor  $\geq 30$
- Recommended pharmacological interventions include
  - grade 1–2: hydrocortisone 1% cream
  - grade 3: prednisone 25mg p.o. daily for 2 days, then 10mg p.o. q.d. for 7–14 days
  - grade 4: referral to dermatologist

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# Grade 2 Rash



- Prominent on trunk
- Small erythema
- Tendency for confluence



# Diarrhoea

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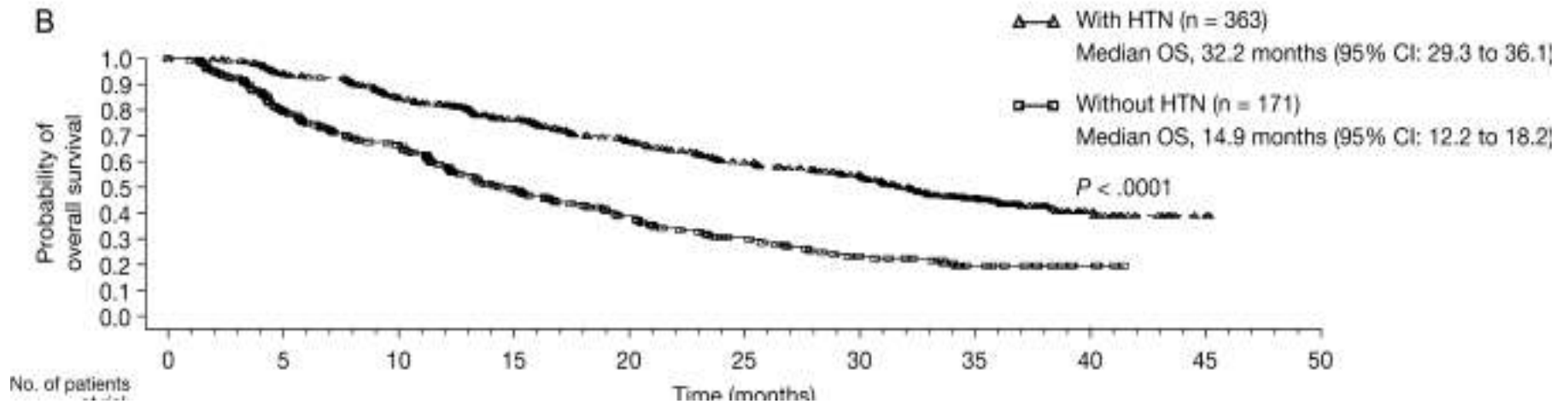
- Diarrhoea occurs in 43% of patients (grade 3–4 = 2%)
- Initial recommended management strategies are
  - avoidance of foods that would aggravate the diarrhoea (spicy, fatty foods, caffeine)
  - avoidance of stool softeners and fibre supplements
  - aggressive oral rehydration with fluids containing water, salt and sugar
- Recommended pharmacological interventions include
  - loperamide and diphenoxylate
    - standard dose (loperamide): initial 4mg doses followed by 2mg every 4 hours or after every loose stool
    - more aggressive: 4mg initially, then 2mg every 2 hours
  - cholestyramine: 4g p.o. 30 min prior to treatment and every 6 hours as needed

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# Hypertension

- Hypertension occurs in 17% of patients (grade 3–4 = 4%)
- Initial recommended management strategies are
  - blood pressure monitoring weekly during the first 6 weeks of therapy
  - weekly blood pressure in a home setting for patients with pre-existing hypertension
- Recommended pharmacological interventions include
  - standard antihypertensive therapy
  - angiotensin II receptor blockers,  $\beta$ -blockers, and diuretics
    - optimal drug choices: telmisartan (20–80mg q.d.); valsartan (80–320mg q.d.); atenolol (50–100mg q.d.); HCTZ (12.5–100mg q.d.)
- Non-dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers (verapamil, diltiazem) are contraindicated

# Hypertensie is een biomarker bij VEGFR-I



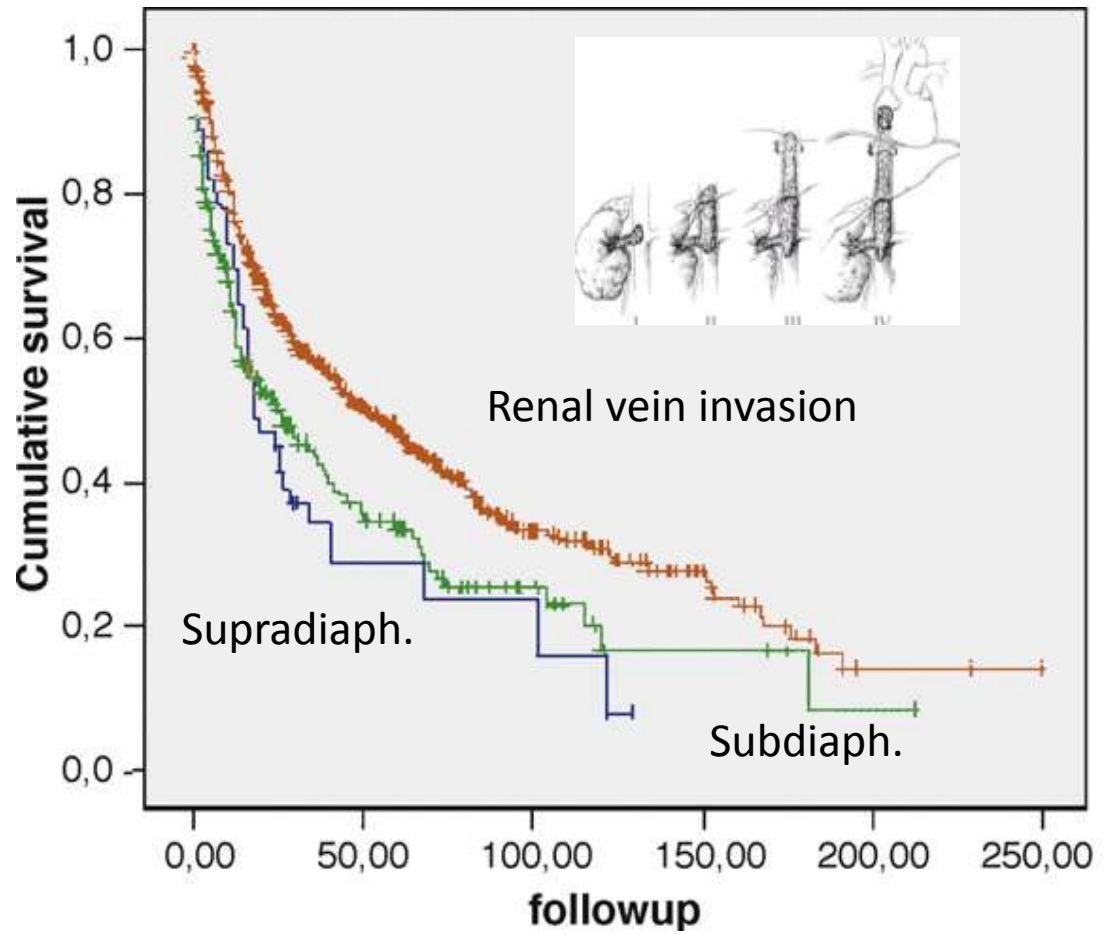
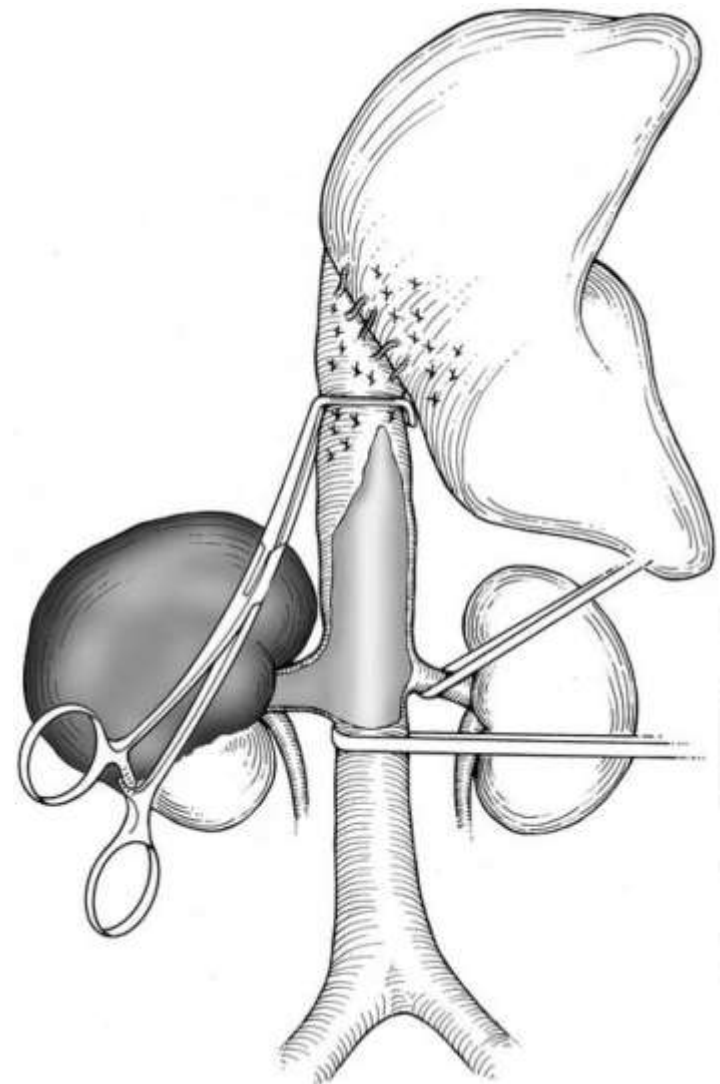


## Sequencing Surgery and Drugs

-RCC

-mRCC





# Sunitinib and caval involvement

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- Several cases reported<sup>1,2,3</sup>, but progression was observed<sup>4</sup>
  - <sup>1</sup>Harshman et al., Nat Rev Urol, 2009: M1
  - <sup>2</sup>Robert et al., Eur Urol 55:1477, 2009
  - <sup>3</sup>Karakiewicz et al., Eur Urol 53:845, 2008
  - <sup>4</sup>Bex et al., Acta Oncol 2010

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No increase in side-effects (trombo-embolic events)

No consistent decrease in size of tumor/trombus



<sup>1</sup>Zangari et al., JCO 27:4865, 2009

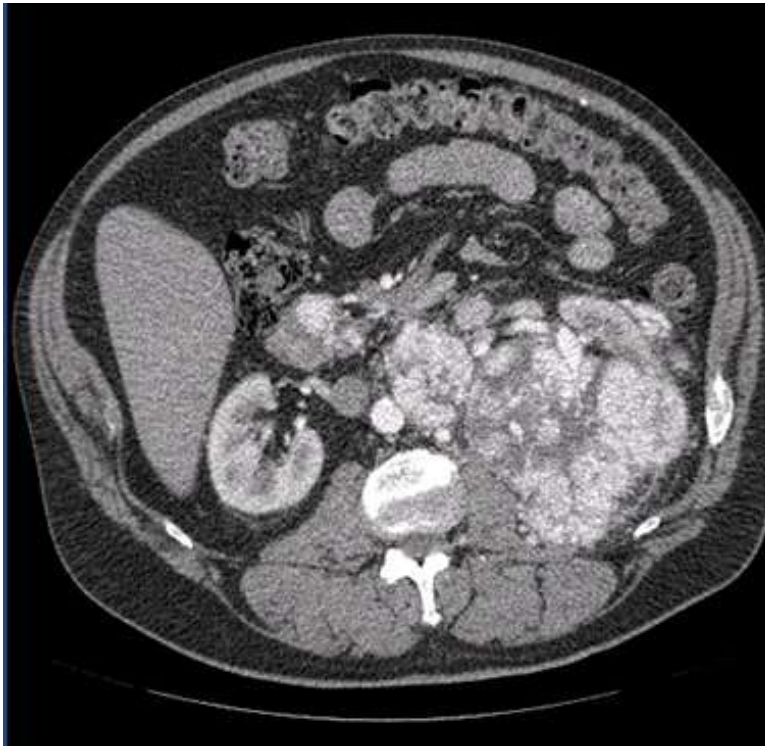
<sup>2</sup>Ranpura et al., ASCO-GU2010 #331

<sup>3</sup>Schutz et al., ASCO-GU2010 #348

# Neoadjuvant therapy

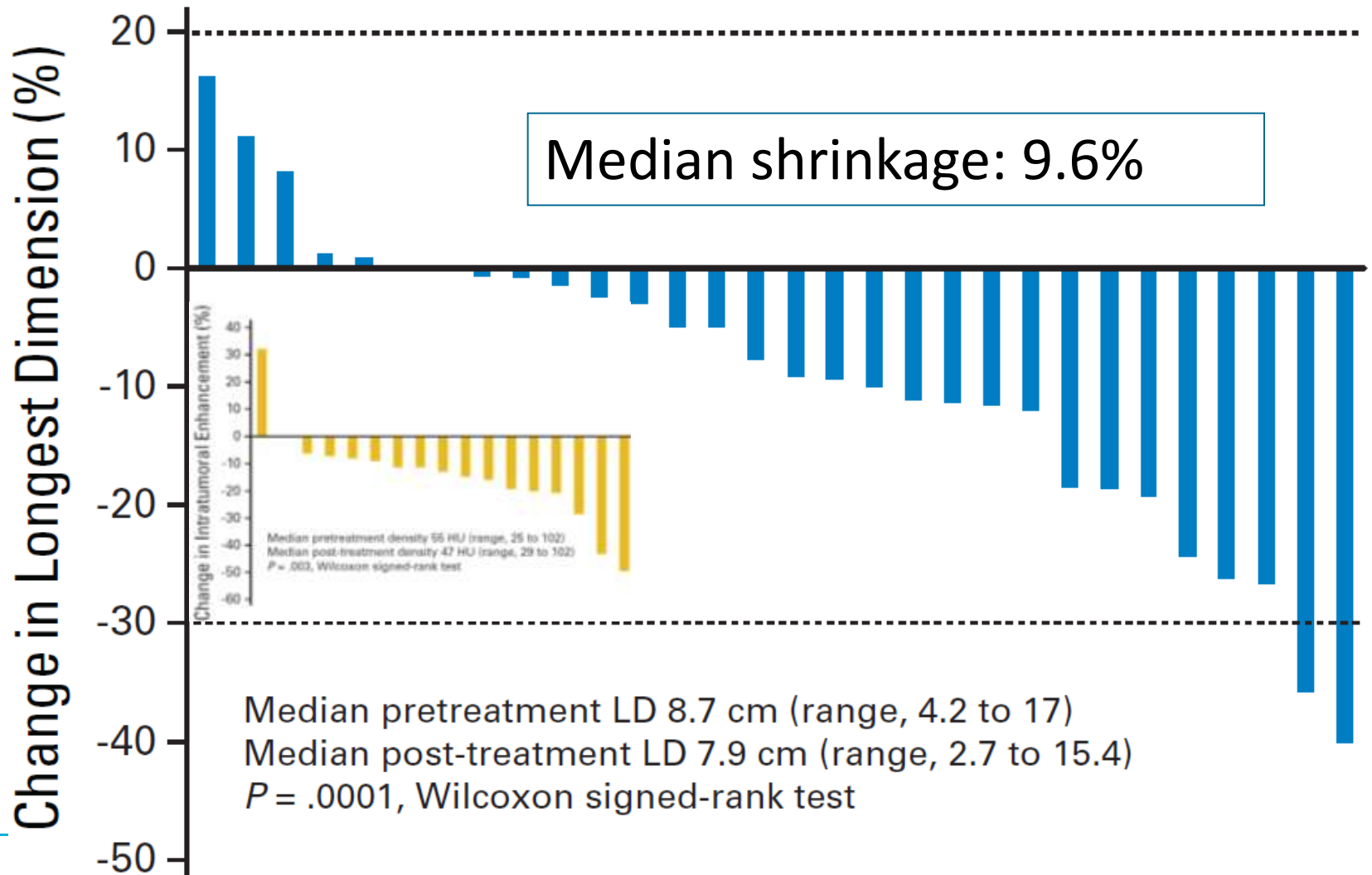
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## Preoperative Sunitinib



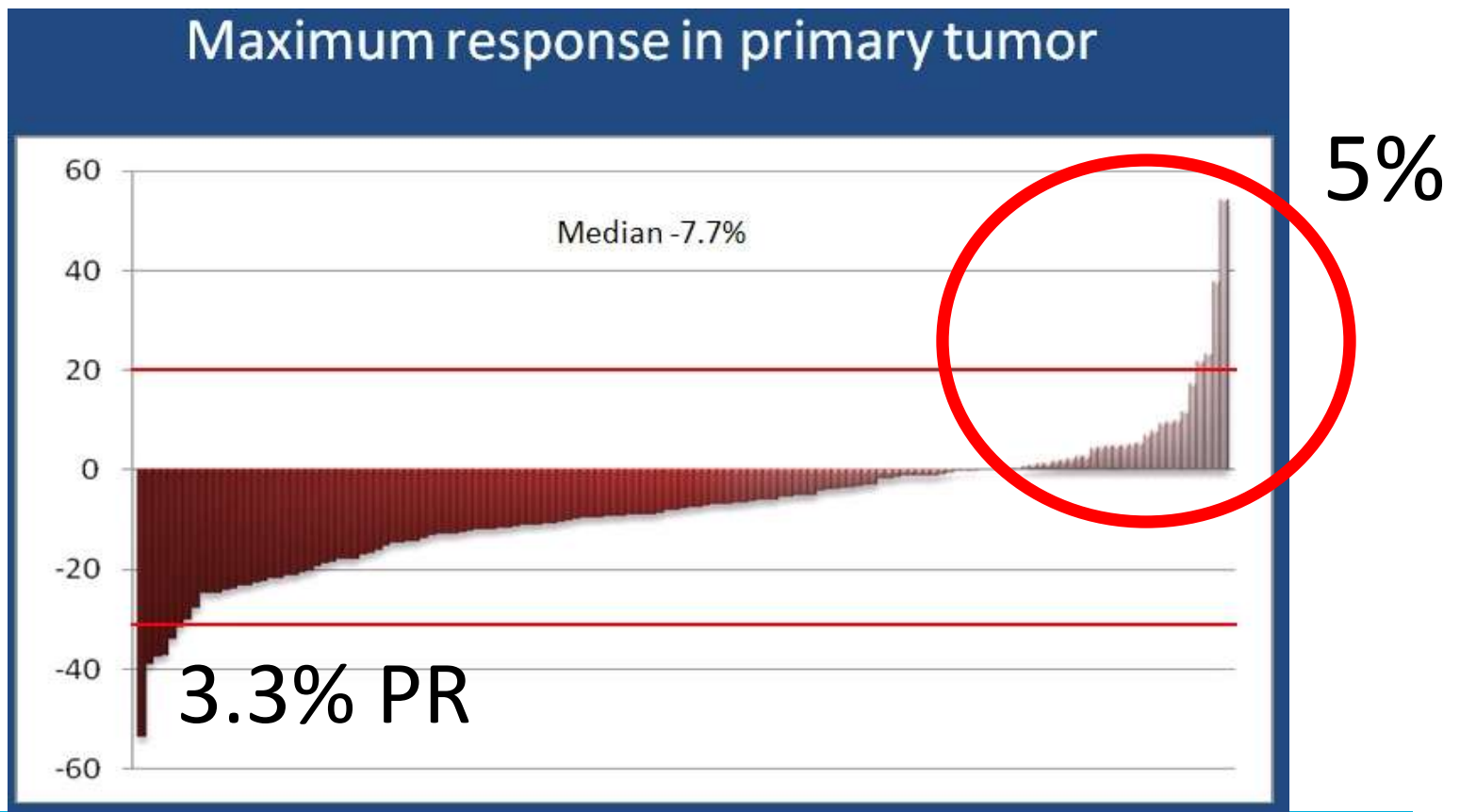


# Neoadjuvant sorafenib



# Neoadjuvant

- ~8% tumor reduction



# Neoadjuvant toxicity

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- Wound healing problems<sup>1</sup>



- Increased chance of **bleeding**<sup>2</sup>
  - Sunitinib RR 3.98
  - Bevacizumab RR 3.65
  - Sorafenib RR 1.78

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<sup>1</sup>Abel & Wood, ASCO-GU2010 #318

<sup>2</sup>Nasir et al. ASCO-GU2010

# Cytoreductive Nephrectomy

## The Impact of Cytoreductive Nephrectomy on Survival of Patients With Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma Receiving Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor Targeted Therapy

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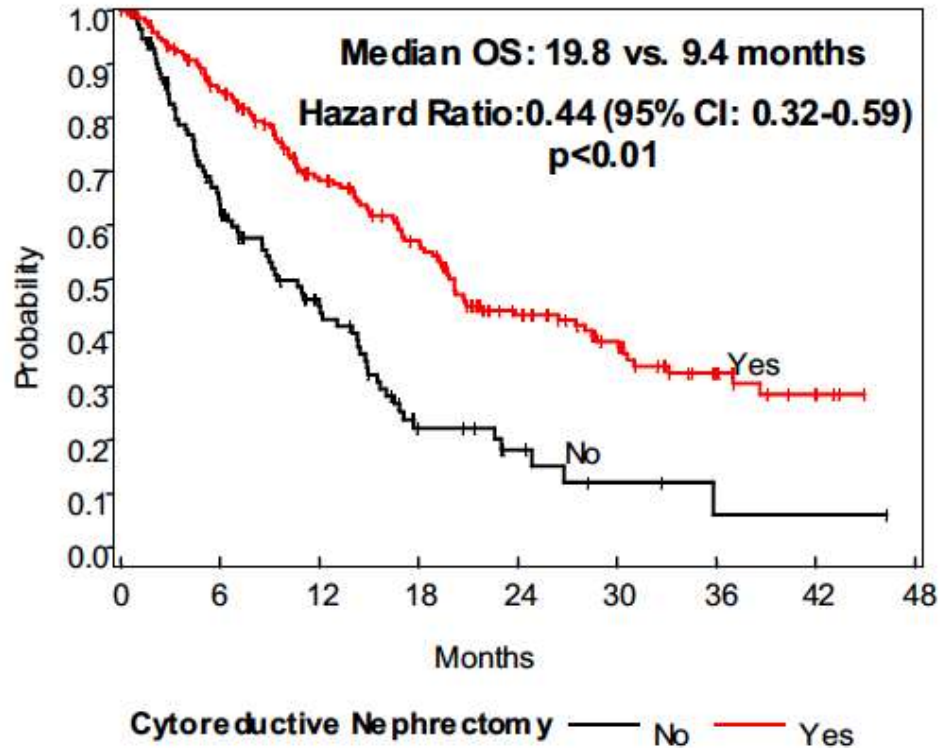
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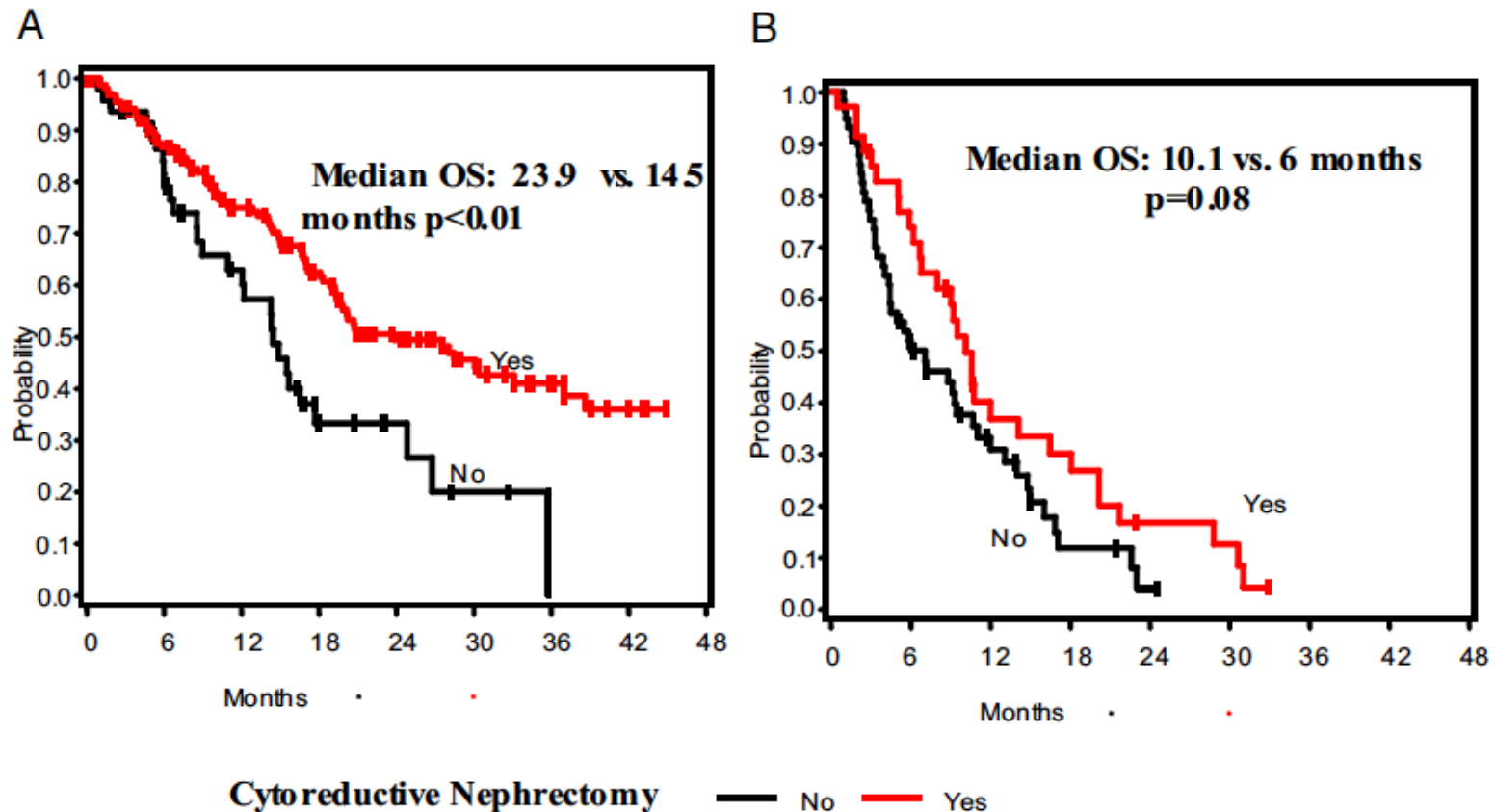
DOI:10.1016/j.juro.2010.09.012

# Cytoreductive Nephrectomy



**Figure 1.** Kaplan-Meier curve depicting overall survival from initiation of VEGF targeted therapy for 314 patients who did or did not receive cytreductive nephrectomy.

# Cytoreductive Nephrectomy



**Figure 2.** Kaplan-Meier curve of overall survival from initiation of VEGF targeted therapy by cytoreductive nephrectomy, and KPS 80 or greater (A) or KPS less than 80 (B).

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# Cytoreductive nephrectomy - morbidity

- Higher morbidity for Nx in M+:

	<b>M-</b>	<b>M+</b>
<b>%male</b>	62%	68%
<b>emergencies</b>	19%	28%
<b>admission</b>	6.7d	9.5d
<b>complications</b>	23%	30%
<b>mortality</b>	1.2%	3%

P<0.001



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# Conclusions

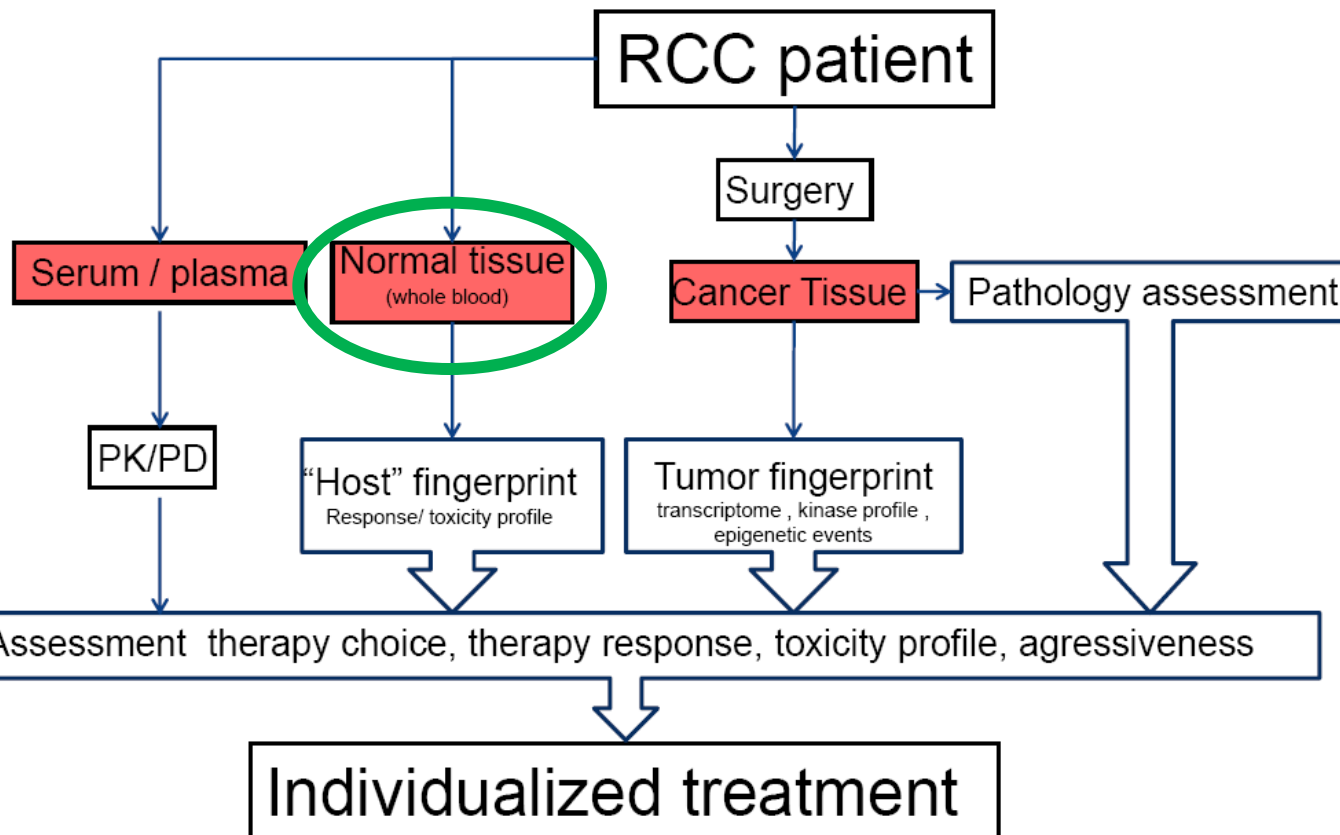
- Surgery most important in locally advanced RCC
  - Need for adjuvant therapies
  - Neo-adjuvant therapy anecdotal
  - In mRCC surgery has a place in sequencing with drugs
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- Multidisciplinary decision making is key in optimizing results in patients with RCC

But still need for improvement

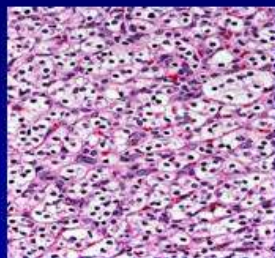
# Mechanisms of resistance



A **EURO**pean collaborative project on **TA**rgeted therapy in **RE**nal cell cancer:  
**GE**netic and **T**umour-related biomarkers for response and toxicity



# RCC : Histologic and Molecular Characteristics

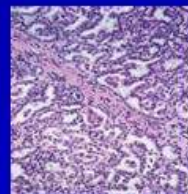


- Clear Cell Carcinoma (75%)**
- LOH - 3p25
  - VHL mutation (50-80%)
  - Hypermethylation (5-20%)
  - Anti-VEGF and VEGFr therapy

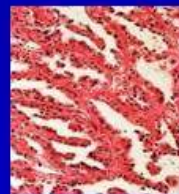
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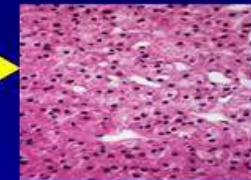
Papillary Carcinoma (15%)



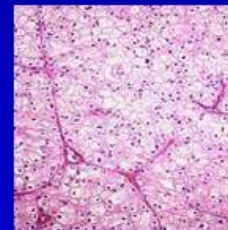
Type 1  
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mutation



Type 2  
FH  
mutation



Oncocytoma (5%)

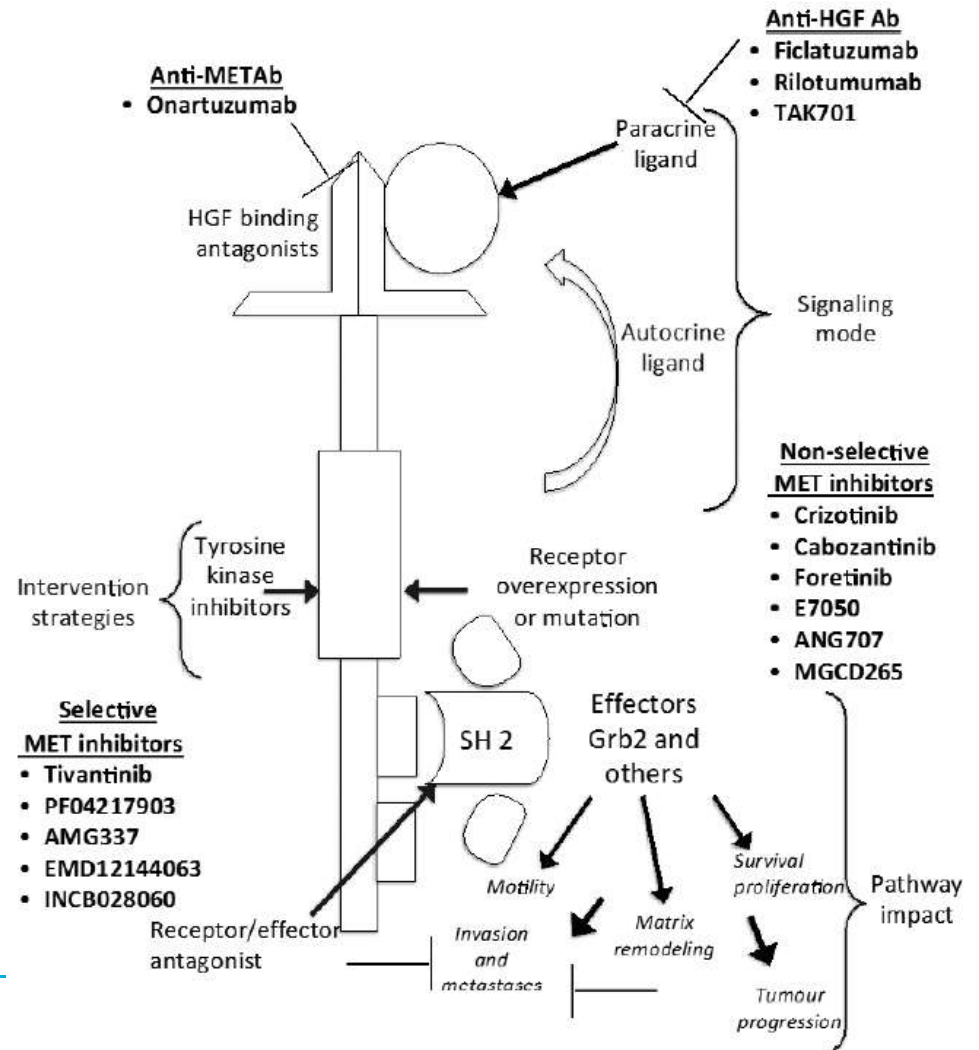


Chromophobe (5%)

Collecting Duct, Undifferentiated (rare)

# EORTC studie: CREATE studie

- Crizotinib is a competitive TKI of the ALK and MET/HGF receptor
- In papillary RCC type I



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# Immunotherapy?



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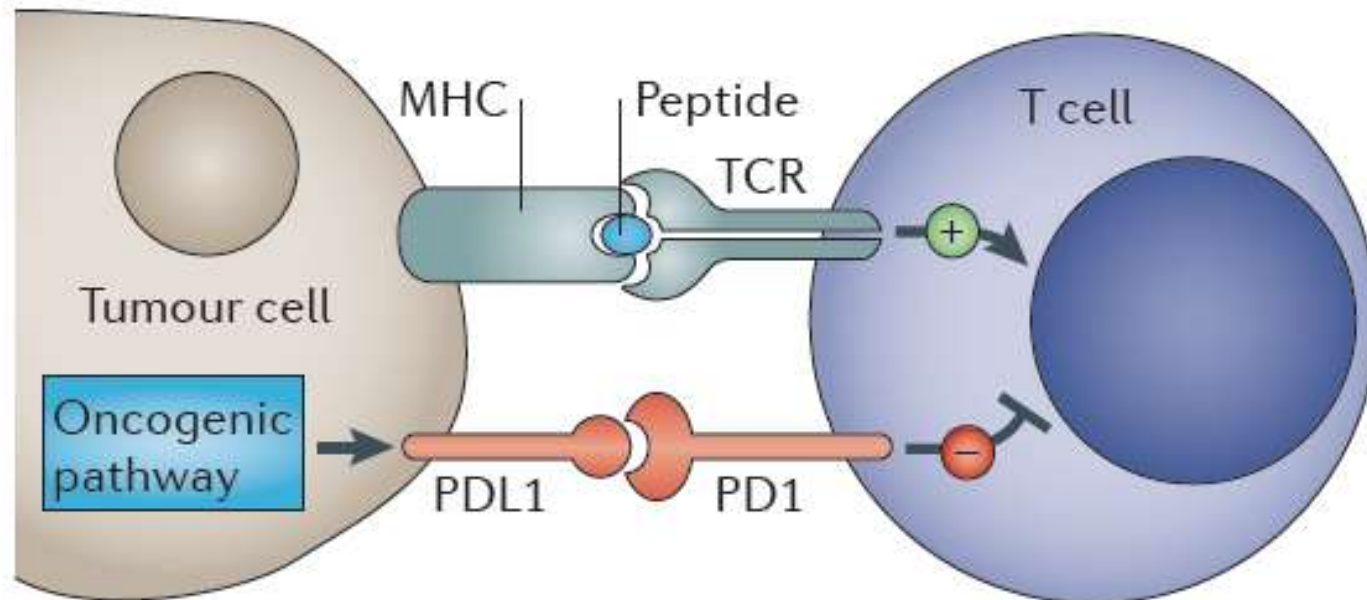
**Drug of the year: Programmed Death-1 receptor/Programmed Death-1 Ligand-1 receptor monoclonal antibodies**

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# PD-L1 on human tumor cells mediates T cell inhibition –resistance



Pardoll DM, Nat Rev Cancer 2012

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# PD1 en PDL1 inhibitie

- Anti-PD1
  - Nivolumab (BMS-936558; BMS)
  - MK-3475 (Merck)
  - AMP-514 (Medimmune/AZ)
- Anti-PDL1
  - MPDL3280A (Roche)
  - MEDI-4736 (Medimmune/AZ)

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# PD-1/PD-L1 blokkage

- 31% mRCC patients heavily treated are responding
- Responses can be long lasting (> 1 year)
- Less graad 3 toxicity
- Biomarker: possibly: PD-L1 expression on the tumor cells



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# Remarks on the future

- TKI still needs to be optimized in RCC and mRCC
- Surgery and TKI needs adequate sequencing
- Implementation of immune modulation and TKI
- Smart trials are necessary

Thank you

