

# GIST: dalla diagnosi al trattamento



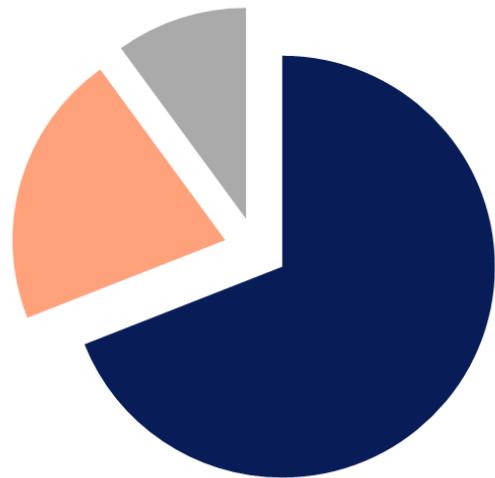
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## Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors: The Incidence, Prevalence, Clinical Course, and Prognostication in the Preimatinib Mesylate Era

A Population-Based Study in Western Sweden



■ Symptomatic ■ Incidental ■ Autopsy

## Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors: Recent Advances in Understanding of Their Biology

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Gastrointestinal stromal tumor (GIST) is the preferred term for mesenchymal tumors specific for the gastrointestinal tract (60% in stomach, 30% small intestine, 10% elsewhere). GISTs include most tumors previously designated as leiomyoma, cellular leiomyoma, leiomyoblastoma, and leiomyosarcoma. However, in the esophagus, leiomyoma is the most common mesenchymal tumor. GISTs are composed of spindle (70%) or epithelioid (30%) cells, and 10%-30% are malignant showing intra-abdominal spread or liver metastases. They are immunohistochemically positive for c-kit (CD117), CD34, and sometimes for actin but are almost always negative for desmin and S100-protein. The malignant GISTs especially show activating mutations in the c-kit gene. GISTs and gastrointestinal autonomic

nerve tumors (GANT) overlap. The cell of origin is not fully understood, but resemblance to the interstitial cells of Cajal, expression of some smooth muscle markers, and occurrence outside of the GI-tract suggest origin from multipotential cells that can differentiate into Cajal and smooth muscle cells. *HUM PATHOL* 30:1213-1220.

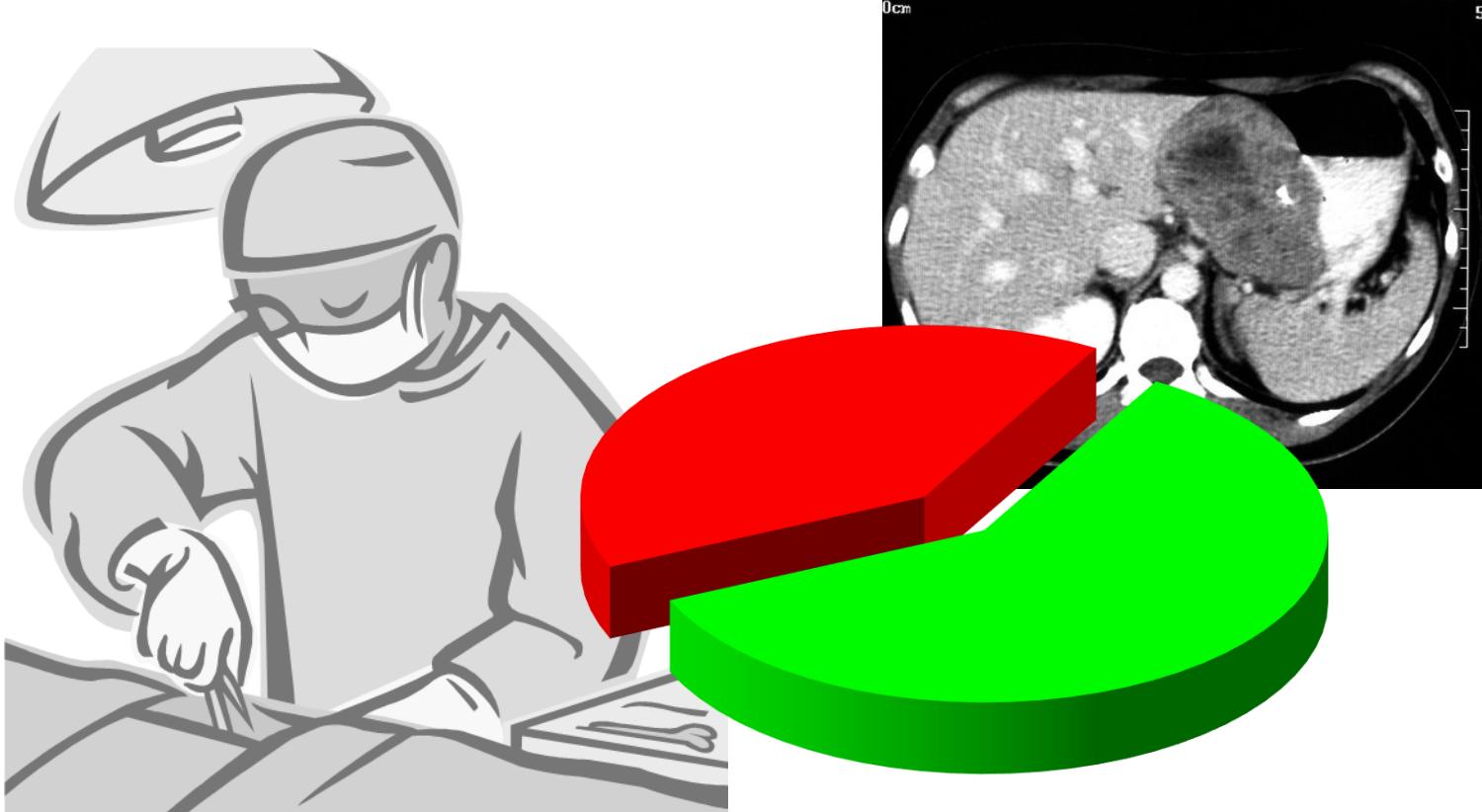
*Key words:* leiomyosarcoma, GIST, pathology, c-kit, genetics.

*Abbreviations:* GI, gastrointestinal; AFIP, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology; GIST, gastrointestinal stromal tumor; HPF, high-power field; HCD, heavy-molecular-weight caldesmon; PCNA, proliferating cell nuclear antigen; GANT, gastrointestinal autonomic nerve tumor; CGH, comparative genomic hybridization.

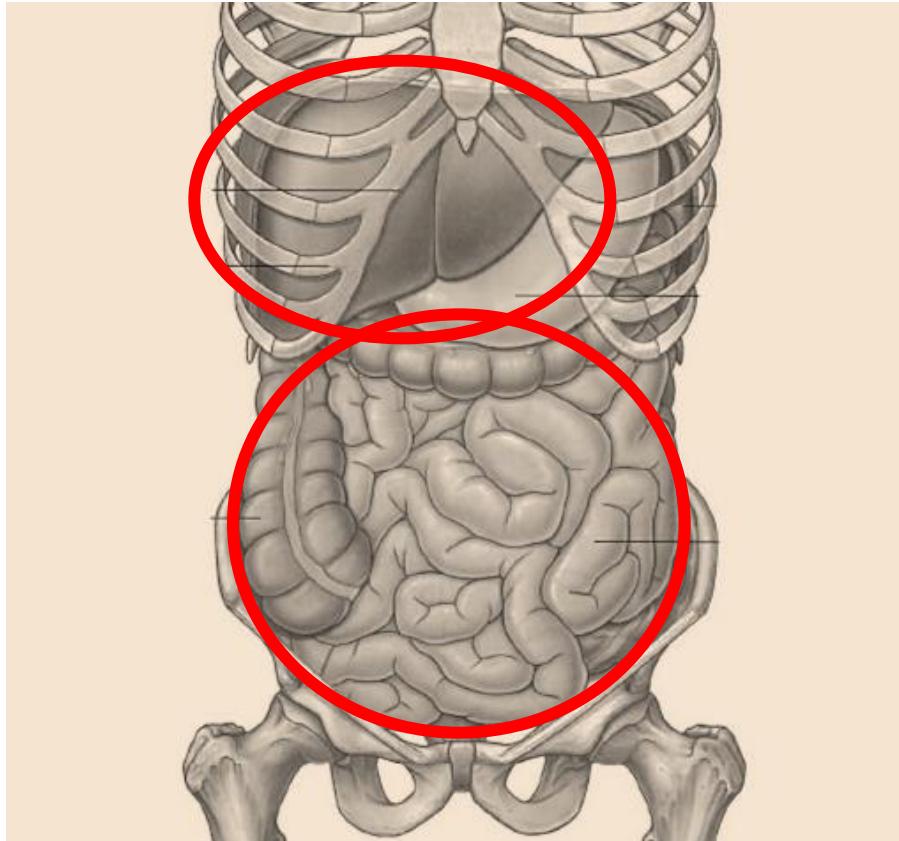
➤ Symptomatic: signs/symptoms related to location and size of tumor

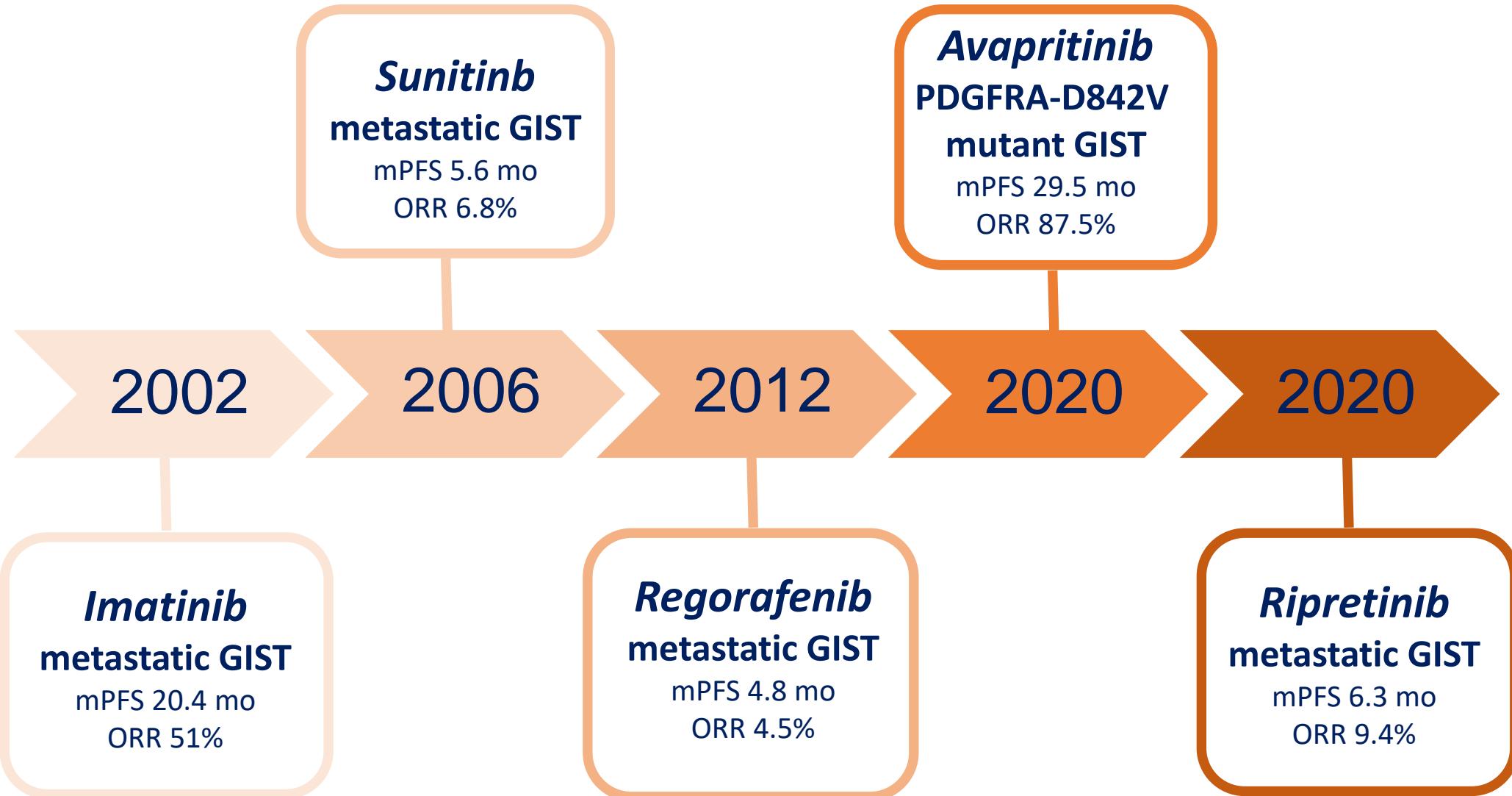
- Vague GI pain or discomfort
- GI hemorrhage
- Anemia
- Anorexia, weight loss, nausea, fatigue, and additional GI complaints
- Acute intraperitoneal bleeding or perforation

# GIST: standard treatment



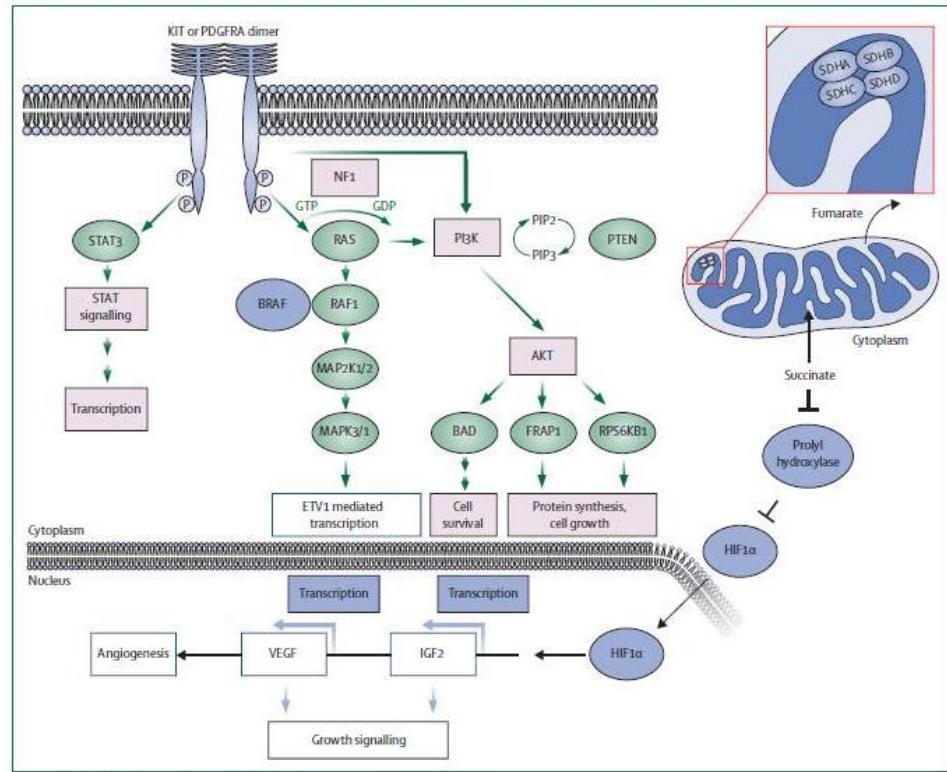
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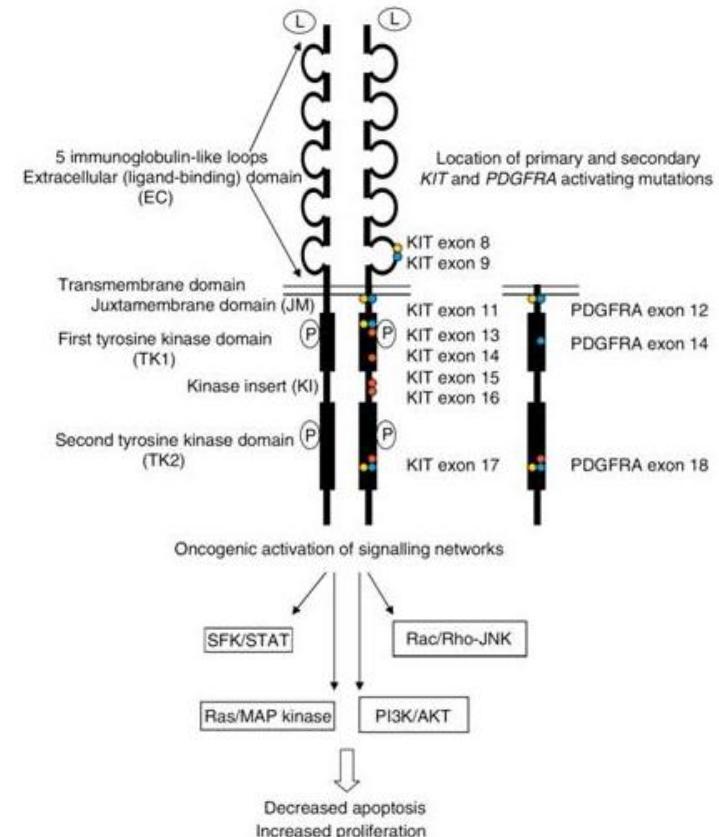


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# Molecular biology



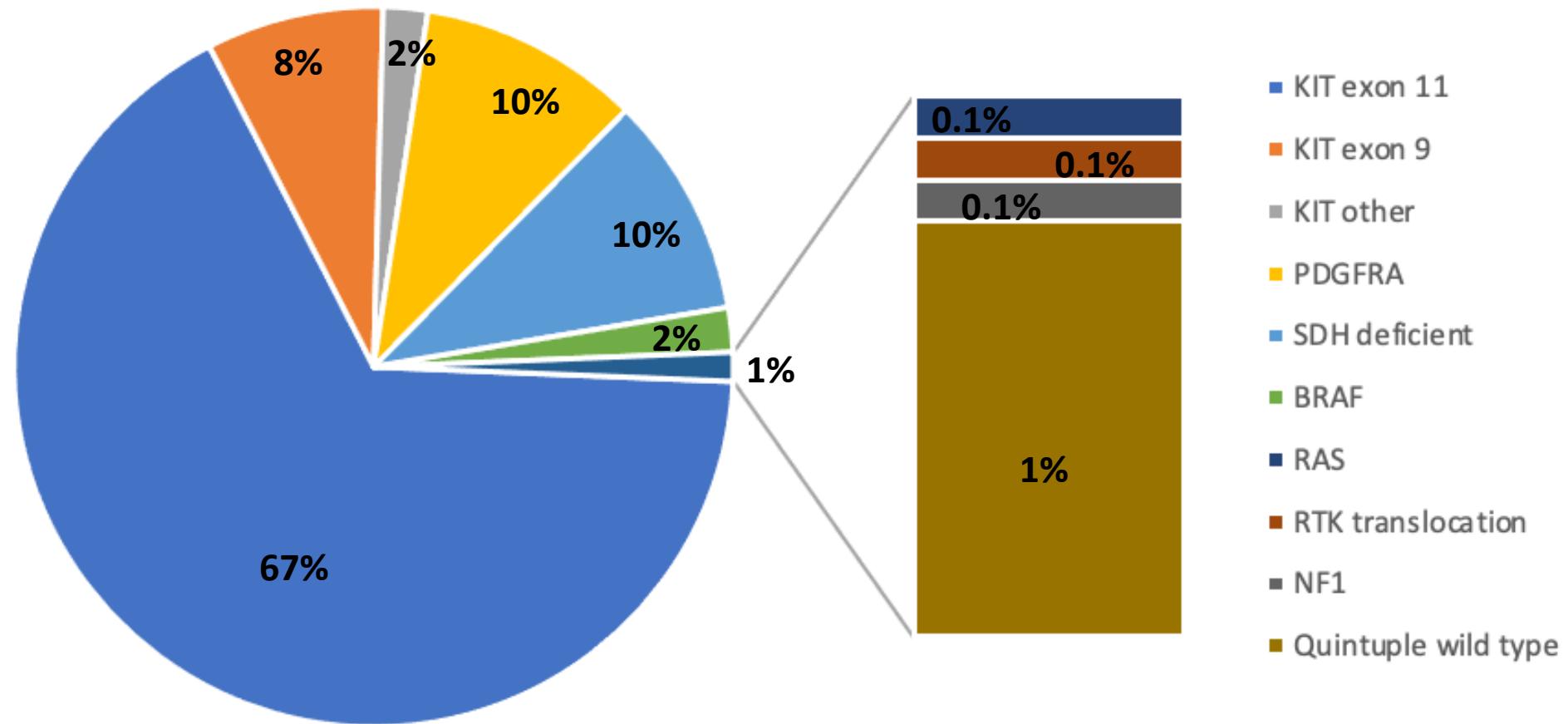
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## Progression-free survival in gastrointestinal stromal tumours with high-dose imatinib: randomised trial

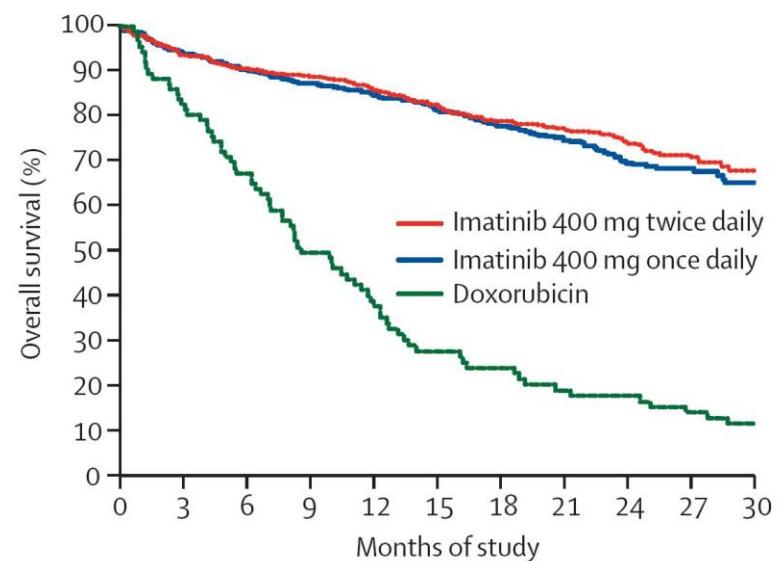
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Grade	400 mg once a day (n=470)				400 mg twice a day (n=472)			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Any side-effect	98	215	123	29	41	190	201	36
Anaemia	257	128	26	7	195	187	55	24
Leucopenia	128	59	13	-	138	77	10	2
Granulocytopenia	96	63	20	13	89	81	22	11
Thrombocytopenia	18	3	5	2	19	6	2	4
Oedema	236	86	13	1	200	169	41	2
Fatigue	201	90	28	-	177	146	50	1
Fever	39	13	4	-	60	15	6	-
Pruritus	55	17	4	-	70	36	7	-
Rash	80	34	11	-	121	74	24	1
Anorexia	76	37	8	1	119	63	8	-
Constipation	52	18	4	1	61	19	7	-
Diarrhoea	160	58	7	1	170	73	25	-
Nausea	170	47	12	-	170	101	15	-
Vomiting	86	25	12	1	107	60	13	-
Bleeding	34	4	12	1	64	3	30	8
Infection	34	34	12	1	41	36	21	1
Dizziness	44	7	1	-	50	9	2	-
Arthralgia	50	11	-	-	56	15	4	-
Headache	59	15	1	-	54	8	4	-
Myalgia	87	27	1	-	91	35	5	-
Pleuritic pain	159	60	19	2	143	83	33	1
Cough	52	8	1	-	53	13	1	-
Dyspnoea	-	39	14	1	-	62	16	5
Renal or genitourinary	43	16	2	1	48	22	10	3

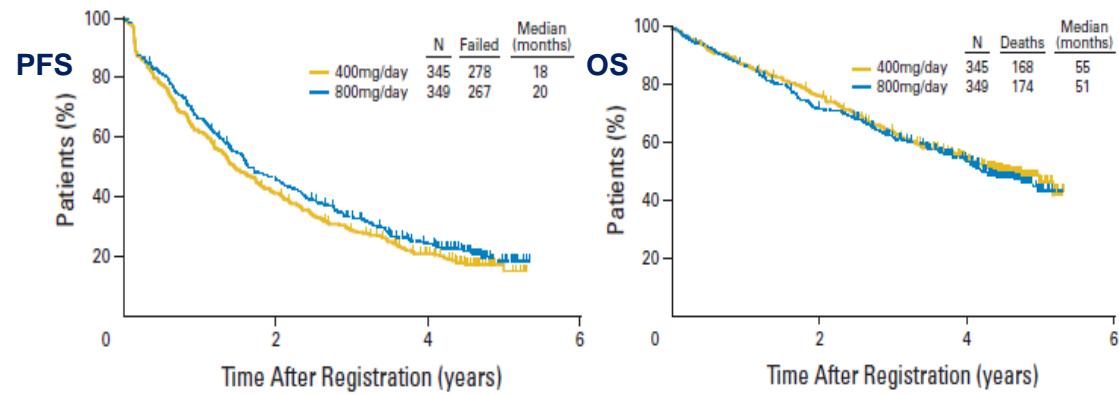
Data are number of patients who started per-protocol treatment.

Table 3: Side-effects by grade of toxic effect



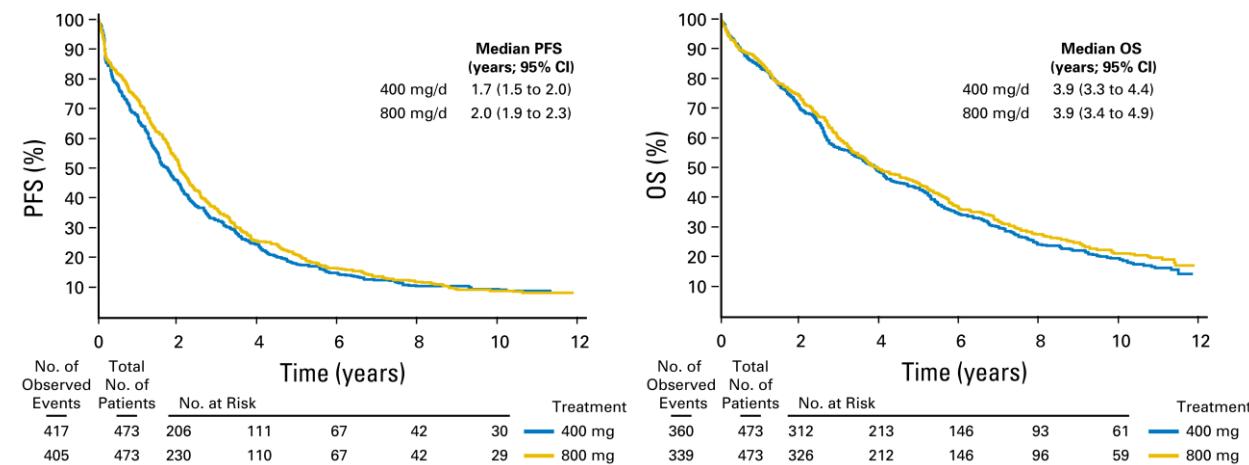
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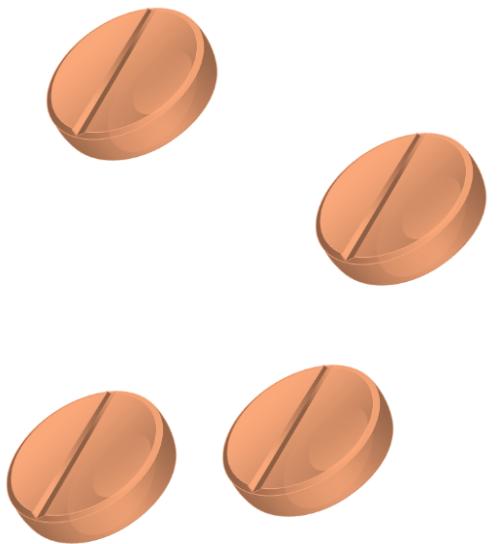
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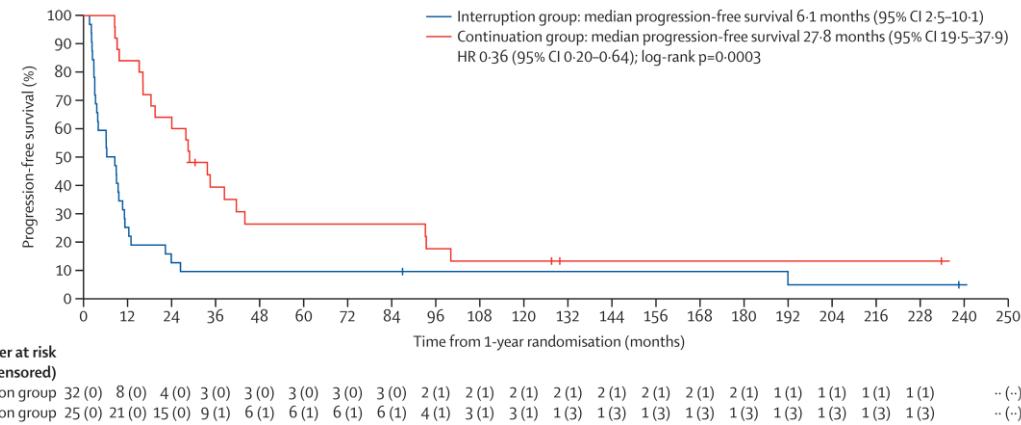
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# Discontinuation versus continuation of imatinib in patients with advanced gastrointestinal stromal tumours (BFR14): exploratory long-term follow-up of an open-label, multicentre, randomised, phase 3 trial

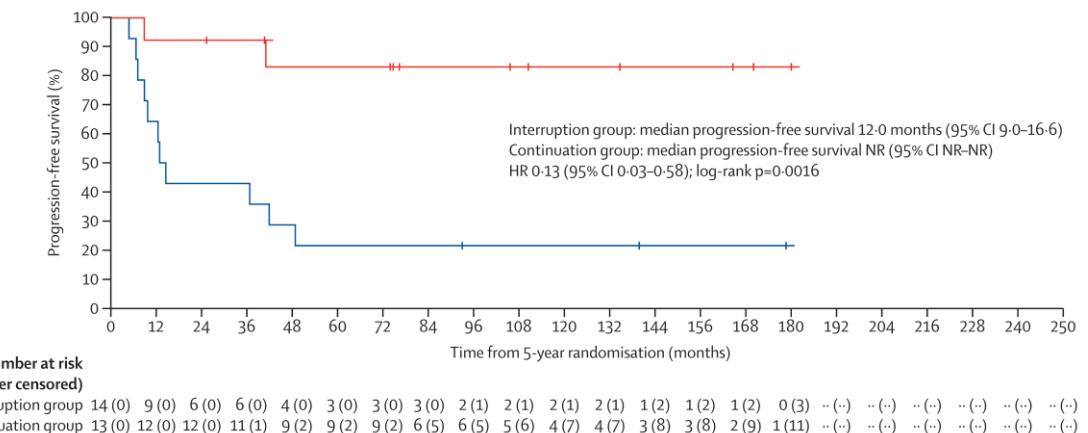


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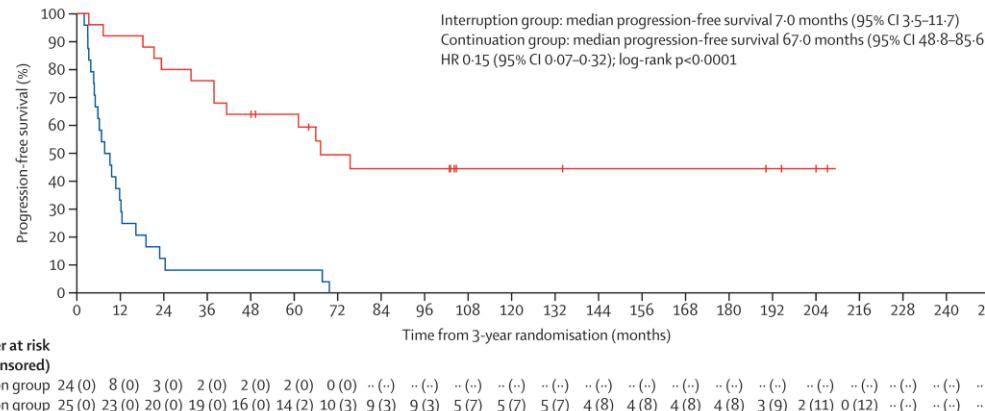
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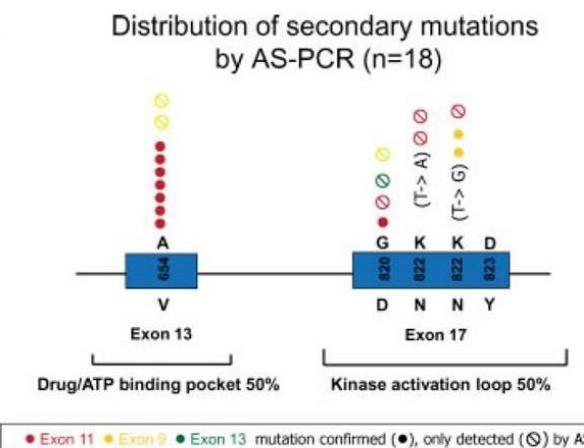
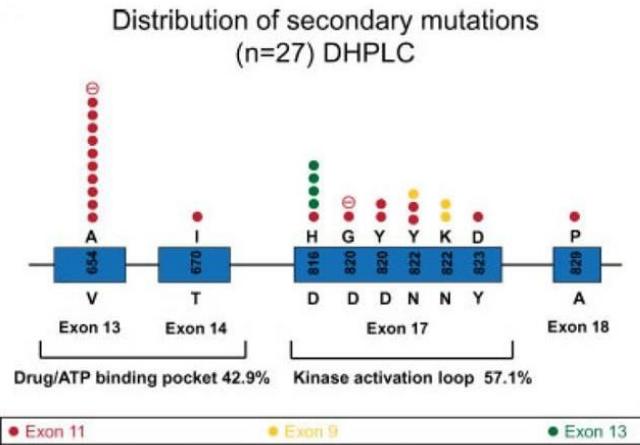
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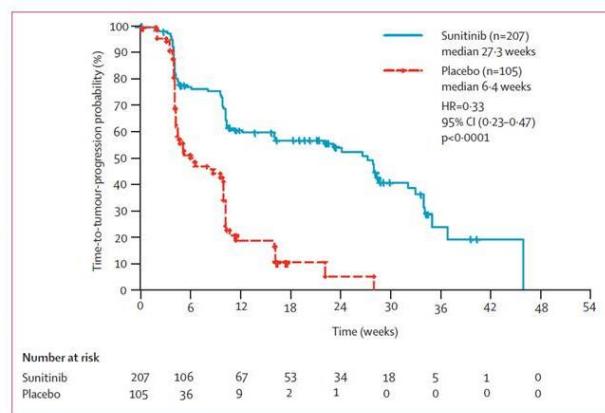
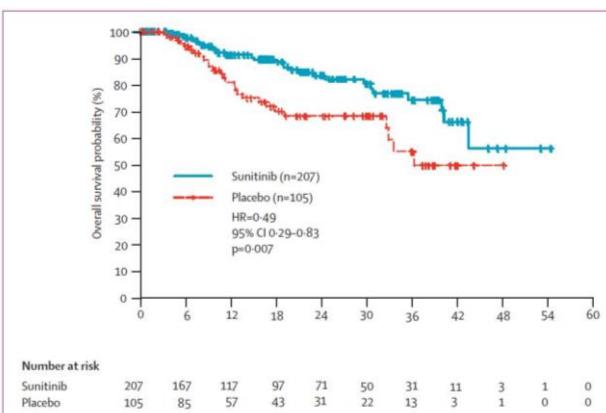
# Secondary resistance: molecular heterogeneity



# Efficacy and safety of sunitinib in patients with advanced gastrointestinal stromal tumour after failure of imatinib: a randomised controlled trial



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	Sunitinib (n=202)			Placebo (n=102)		
	Grade 1/2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 1/2	Grade 3	Grade 4
<b>Non-haematological*</b>						
Fatigue	58 (29%)	10 (5%)	0 (0%)	20 (20%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)
Diarrhoea	52 (26%)	7 (3%)	0 (0%)	8 (8%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Skin discolouration	50 (25%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	6 (6%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Nausea	47 (23%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	10 (10%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)
Anorexia	38 (19%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (5%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)
Dysgeusia	36 (18%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Stomatitis	30 (15%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Vomiting	30 (15%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	5 (5%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)
Hand-foot syndrome	19 (9%)	9 (4%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Rash	24 (12%)	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	5 (5%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Asthenia	18 (9%)	6 (3%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)
Mucosal inflammation	24 (12%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Dyspepsia	22 (11%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Hypertension	15 (8%)	6 (3%)	0 (0%)	4 (4%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Epistaxis	14 (7%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Hair-colour changes	14 (7%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Dry mouth	13 (6%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Glossodynia	11 (6%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Haematological</b>						
Anaemia†	117 (58%)	7 (4%)	0 (0%)	59 (58%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)
Leucopenia	104 (52%)	7 (4%)	0 (0%)	5 (5%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Neutropenia	86 (43%)	17 (8%)	3 (2%)	4 (4%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Lymphopenia	80 (40%)	18 (9%)	1 (1%)	31 (30%)	2 (2%)	1 (1%)
Thrombocytopenia	72 (36%)	8 (4%)	1 (1%)	4 (4%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

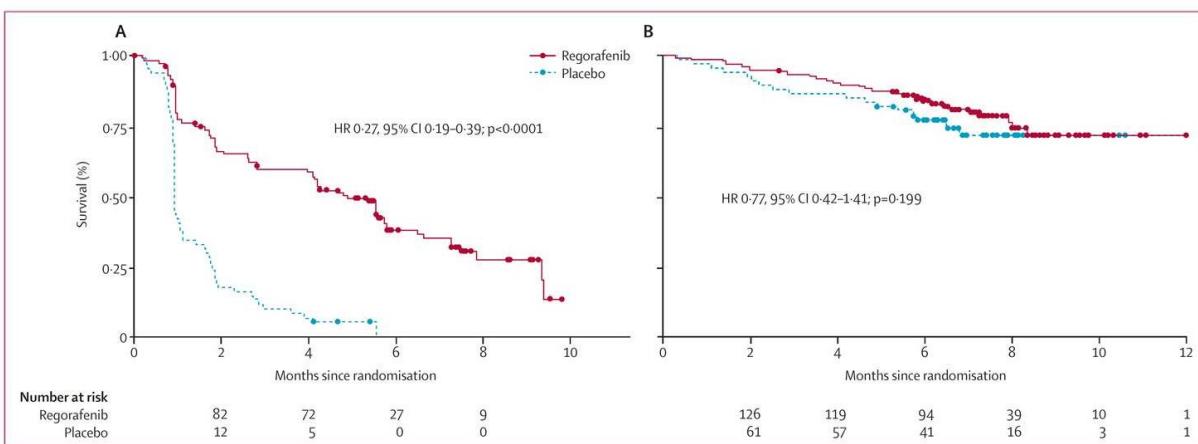
Data are number (%). \*Treatment-related. †Anaemia was included in the table, despite a difference of less than 5% between the treatment groups, because of its frequency and clinical relevance in GIST.

Table 2: Adverse events that occurred with a frequency of at least 5% greater on sunitinib than on placebo in per-protocol population

# Efficacy and safety of regorafenib for advanced gastrointestinal stromal tumours after failure of imatinib and sunitinib (GRID): an international, multicentre, randomised, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial



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	Regorafenib (N=132*)			Placebo (N=66)		
	Any grade	Grade 3	Grade 4	Any grade	Grade 3	Grade 4
Any event	130 (98%)	77 (58%)	2 (2%)	45 (68%)	5 (8%)	1 (2%)
Hand-foot skin reaction	74 (56%)	26 (20%)	0	9 (14%)	0	0
Hypertension	64 (49%)	30 (23%)	1 (1%)	11 (17%)	2 (3%)	0
Diarrhoea	53 (40%)	7 (5%)	0	3 (5%)	0	0
Fatigue	51 (39%)	3 (2%)	0	18 (27%)	0	0
Oral mucositis	50 (38%)	2 (2%)	0	5 (8%)	1 (2%)	0
Alopecia	31 (24%)	2 (2%)	0	1 (2%)	0	0
Hoarseness	29 (22%)	0	0	3 (5%)	0	0
Anorexia	27 (21%)	0	0	5 (8%)	0	0
Rash, maculopapular	24 (18%)	3 (2%)	0	2 (3%)	0	0
Nausea	21 (16%)	1 (1%)	0	6 (9%)	1 (2%)	0
Constipation	20 (15%)	1 (1%)	0	4 (6%)	0	0
Myalgia	18 (14%)	1 (1%)	0	6 (9%)	0	0
Voice alteration	14 (11%)	0	0	2 (3%)	0	0

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

Table 2: Drug-related adverse events in ≥10% of patients during double-blind treatment period



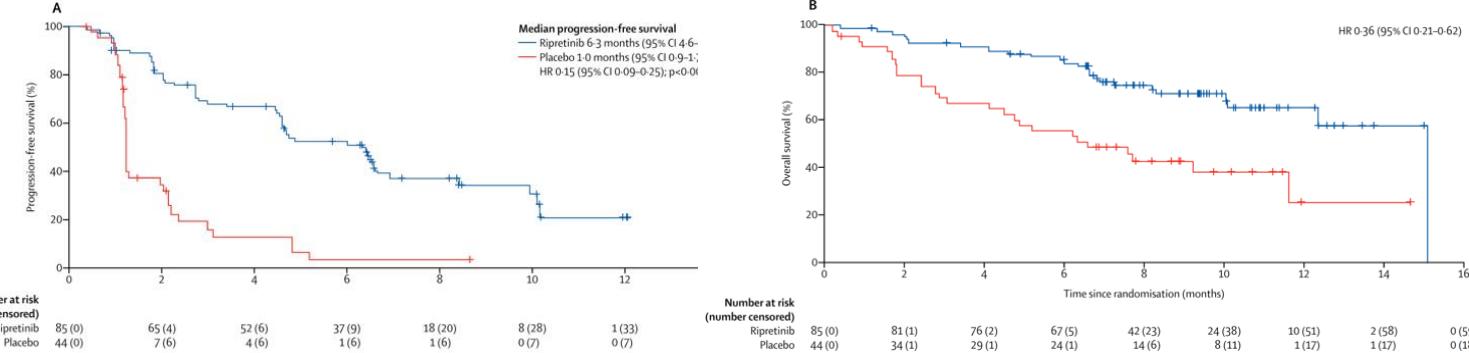
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# Ripretinib in patients with advanced gastrointestinal stromal tumours (INVICTUS): a double-blind, randomised, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial



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	Ripretinib group (n=85)				Placebo group (n=43)*			
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Alopecia	42 (49%)†	-	-	-	1 (2%)	-	-	-
Myalgia	23 (27%)	1 (1%)	-	-	4 (9%)	0	-	-
Nausea	21 (25%)	1 (1%)	-	-	1 (2%)	0	-	-
Fatigue	20 (24%)	2 (2%)	-	-	6 (14%)	1 (2%)	-	-
Palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia syndrome	18 (21%)	0	-	-	0	0	-	-
Diarrhoea	17 (20%)	1 (1%)	0	0	2 (5%)	1 (2%)	0	0
Constipation	13 (15%)	0	0	0	3 (7%)	0	0	0
Decreased appetite	12 (14%)	1 (1%)	0	0	2 (5%)	1 (2%)	0	0
Weight loss	13 (15%)	0	-	-	3 (7%)	0	-	-
Blood bilirubin increased	12 (14%)	0	0	-	0	0	0	-
Arthralgia	10 (12%)	0	-	-	0	0	-	-
Muscle spasms	10 (12%)	0	-	-	2 (5%)	0	-	-
Hypertension	4 (5%)	3 (4%)	0	0	1 (2%)	0	0	0
Lipase increase	4 (5%)	4 (5%)	0	-	0	0	0	-
Pain in extremity	5 (6%)	1 (1%)	-	-	1 (2%)	0	-	-
Hypophosphataemia	3 (4%)	2 (2%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anaemia	2 (2%)	0	1 (1%)	0	1 (2%)	2 (5%)	1 (2%)	0
Blood triglycerides increase	1 (1%)	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dermatitis	1 (1%)	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dehydration	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	1 (2%)	0	0
Gastroesophageal reflux disease	1 (1%)	1 (1%)	-	-	0	0	-	-
Hyperkalaemia	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	1 (2%)	0	0
Hypokalaemia	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anal abscess	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asciites	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cardiac failure	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Death, reason unknown	-	-	-	1 (1%)	-	-	-	0
Fecaloma	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Skin infection	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Syncope	-	1 (1%)	-	-	0	--	--	-
Upper gastrointestinal haemorrhage	0	1 (1%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acute kidney injury	0	0	0	0	0	1 (2%)	0	0
Pulmonary oedema	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 (2%)	0
Septic shock	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	1 (2%)

Data are n (%). Treatment-related treatment-emergent adverse events are listed that occurred in >10% of patients in either treatment group or were reported as grade 3, 4, or 5 in either treatment group are shown. - indicates that no data were captured per adverse event grade ratings specified by Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events version 4.03. \*44 patients were randomly assigned to receive placebo, but one patient did not receive treatment. 124 (63%) of 196 women who were given ripretinib had alopecia.

Table 2: Treatment-related treatment-emergent adverse events

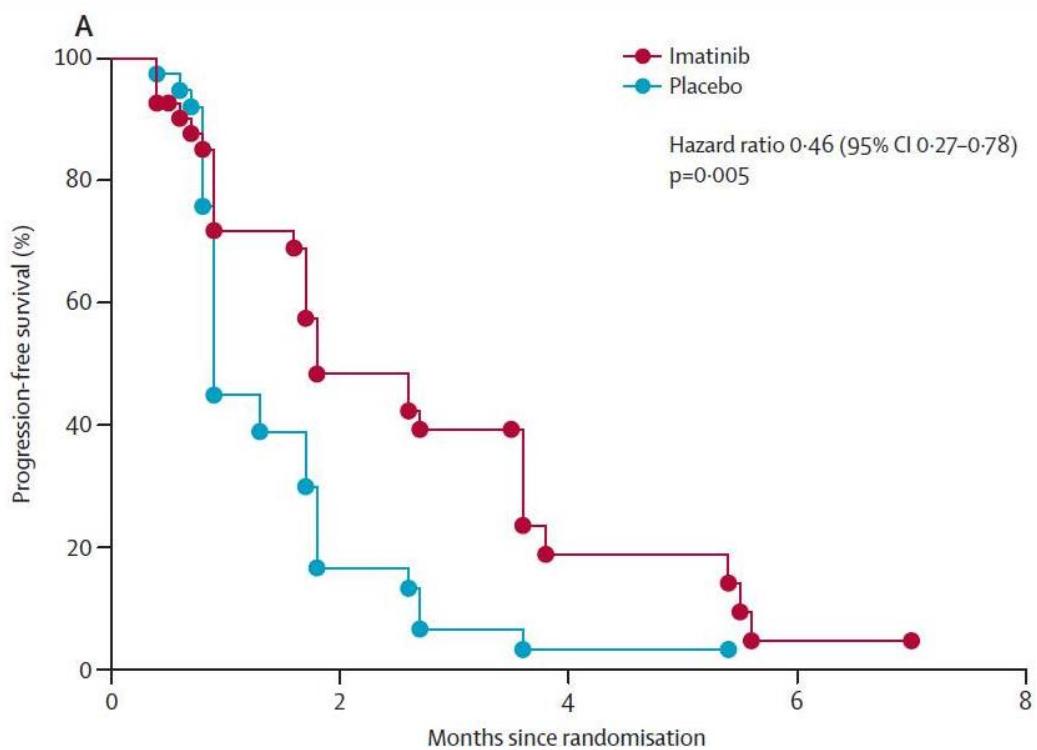


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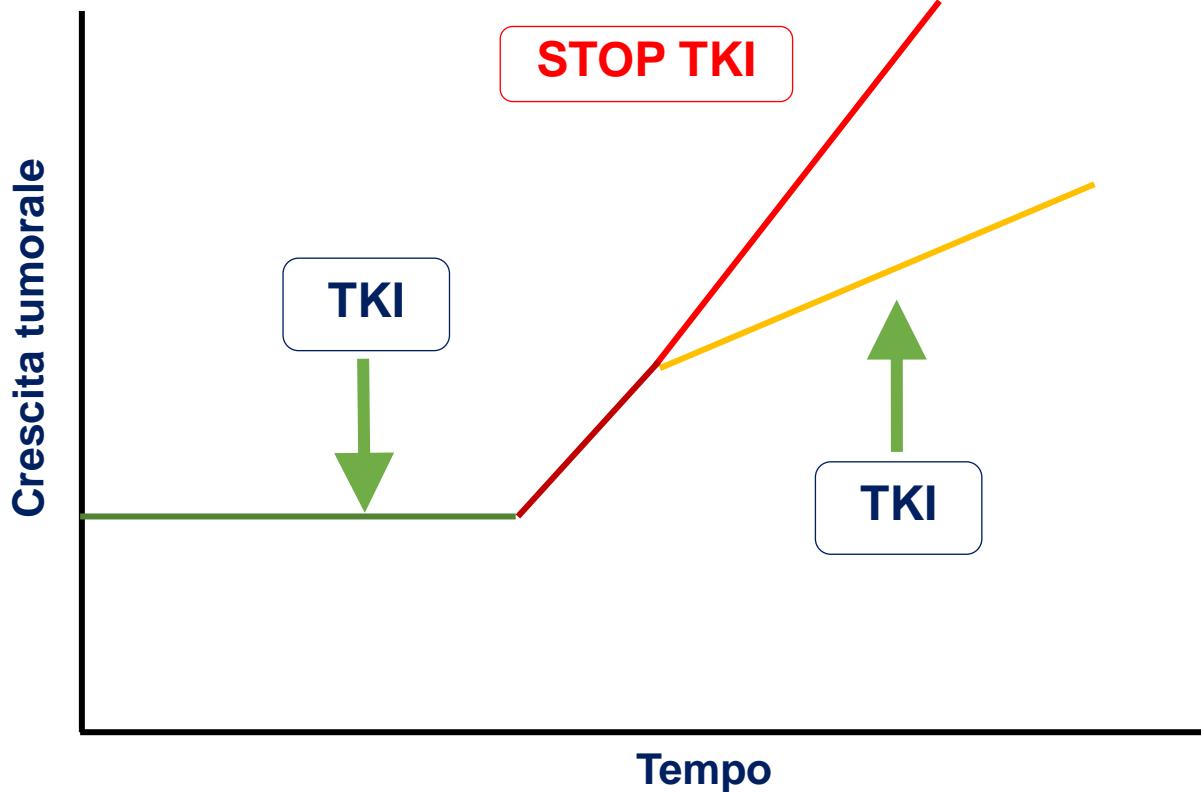
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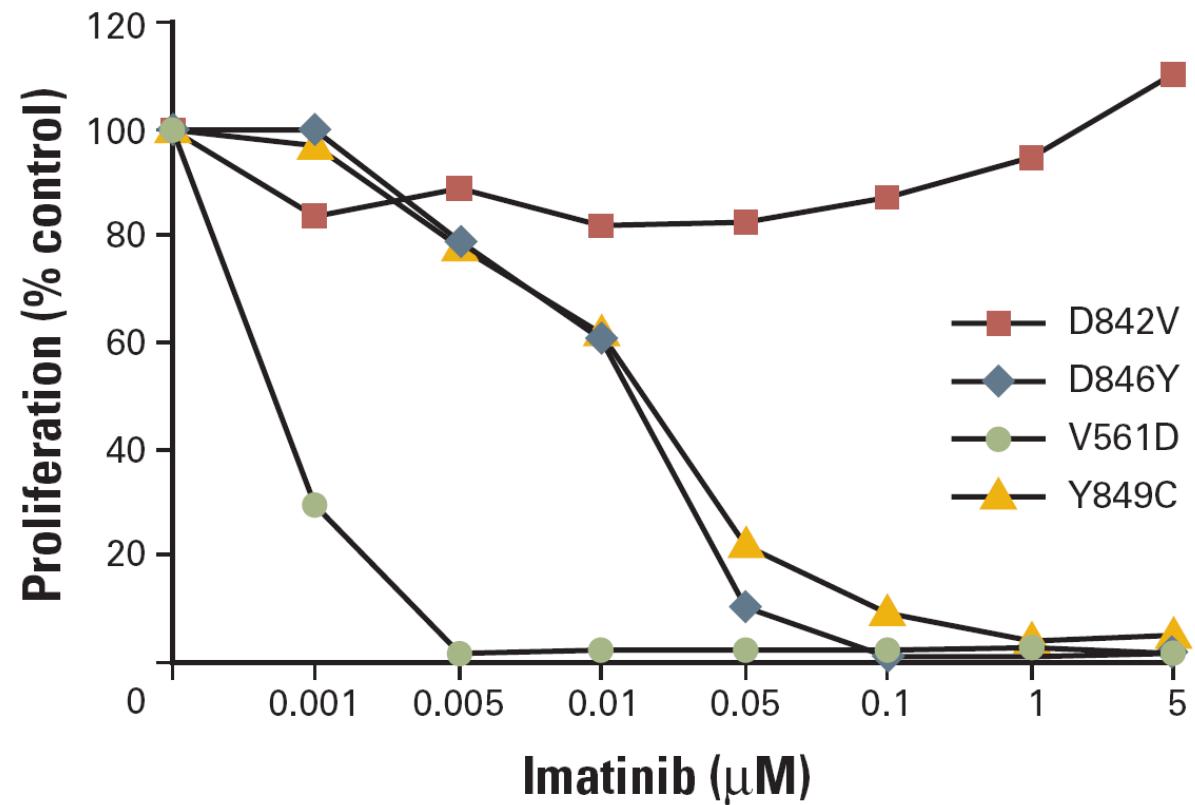
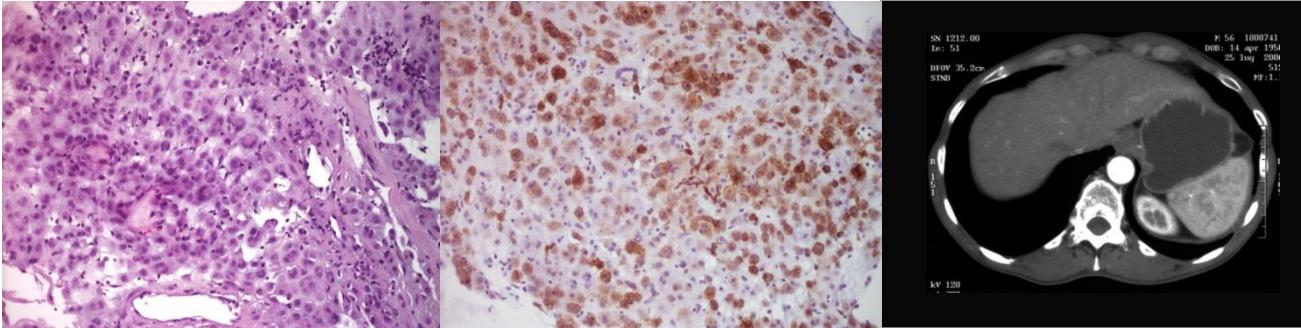
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## TKIs beyond progression



## PDGFRA



# Avapritinib in D842V

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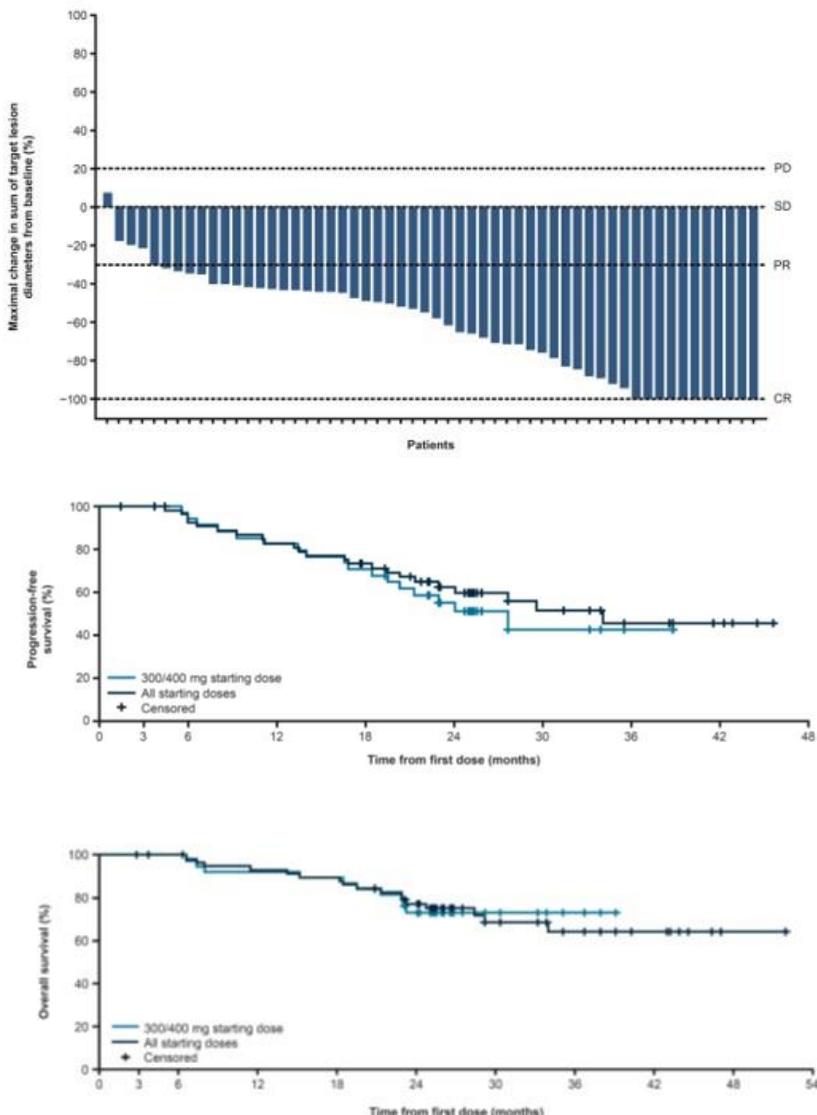
Avapritinib in unresectable or metastatic PDGFRA D842V-mutant gastrointestinal stromal tumours: Long-term efficacy and safety data from the NAVIGATOR phase I trial



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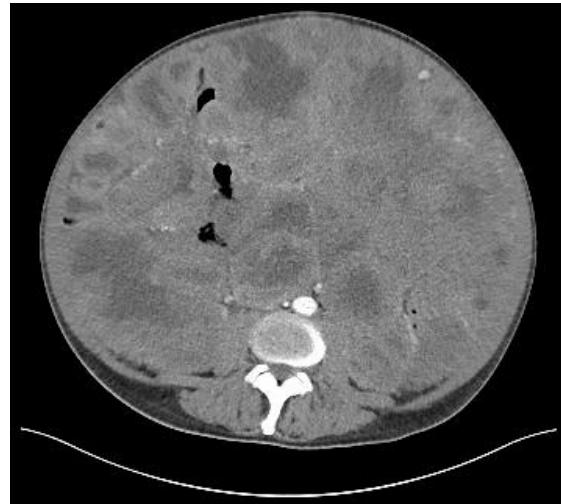
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Any-cause adverse events occurring in ≥20% of patients in the safety population and the *PDGFRA* D842V population.

Preferred term, n (%)	<i>PDGFRA</i> D842V population (n = 56)	Safety population (N = 250)
Nausea	38 (68)	161 (64)
Fatigue	35 (63)	157 (63)
Anaemia	37 (66)	136 (54)
Diarrhoea	37 (66)	112 (45)
Periorbital oedema	27 (48)	110 (44)
Vomiting	21 (38)	106 (42)
Decreased appetite	23 (41)	101 (40)
Increased lacrimation	21 (38)	88 (35)
Memory impairment	23 (41)	31 (32)
Peripheral oedema	21 (38)	80 (32)
Abdominal pain	19 (34)	64 (26)
Constipation	12 (21)	64 (26)
Hair colour changes	16 (29)	62 (25)
Dizziness	16 (29)	59 (24)
Face oedema	13 (23)	57 (23)
Increased blood bilirubin	16 (29)	54 (22)
Hypokalaemia	14 (25)	48 (19)
Headache	13 (23)	48 (19)
Dysgeusia	13 (23)	47 (19)
Decreased weight	15 (27)	46 (18)
Dyspepsia	13 (23)	44 (18)
Cough	15 (27)	39 (16)
Neutropenia	14 (25)	29 (12)
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## Imatinib



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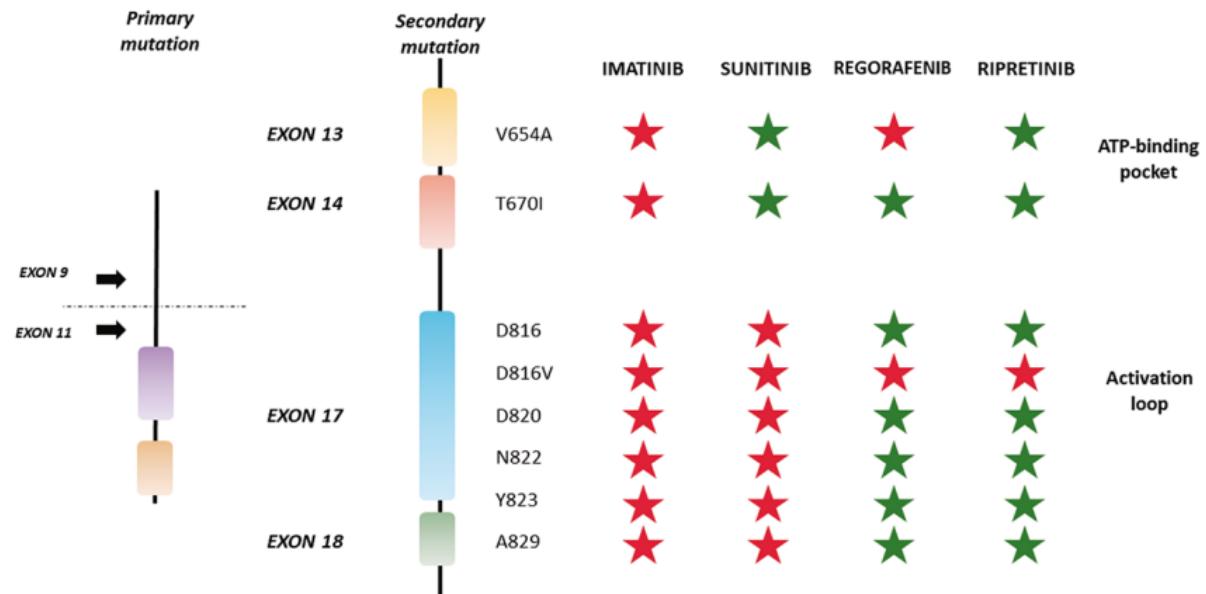
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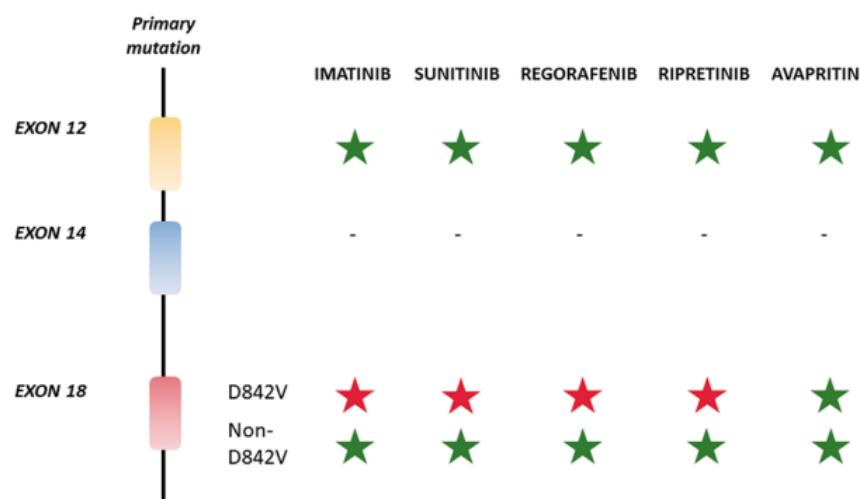
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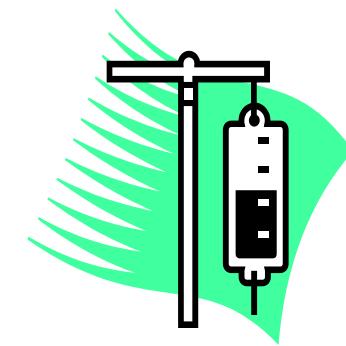
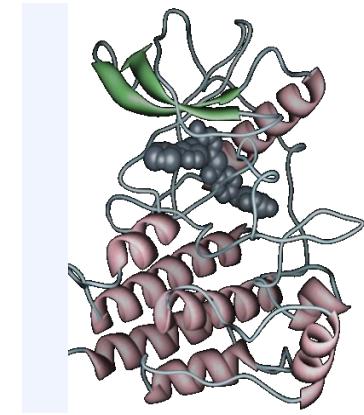
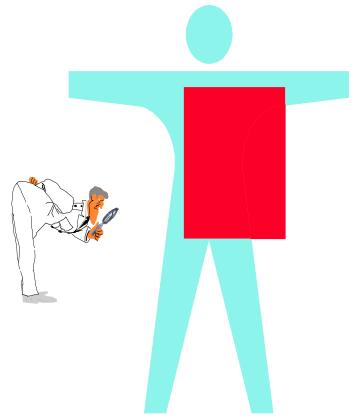
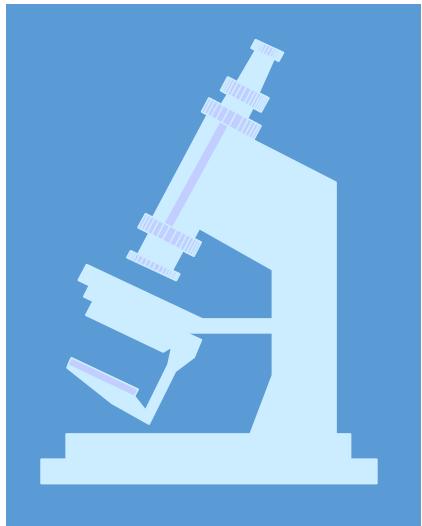
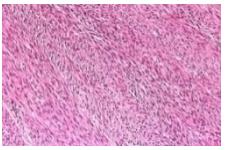


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### PDGFRA-mutant GIST



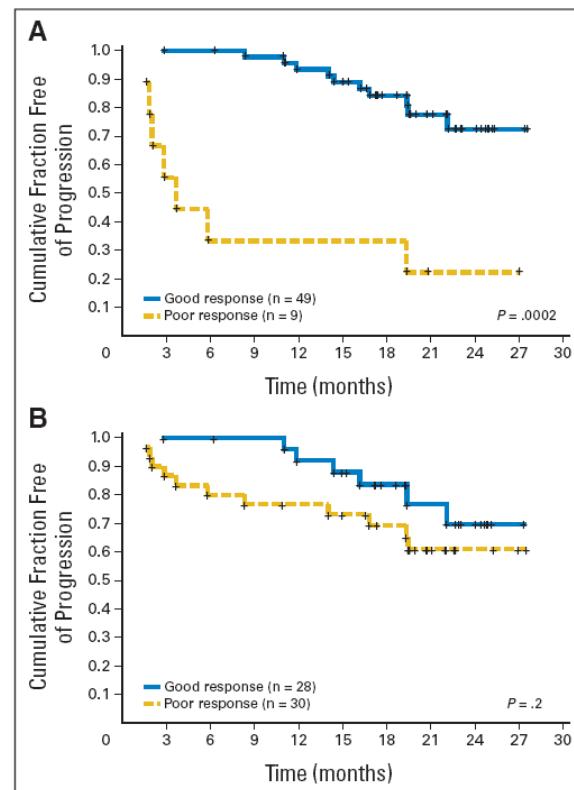


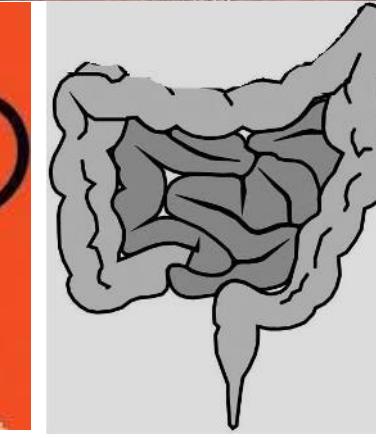
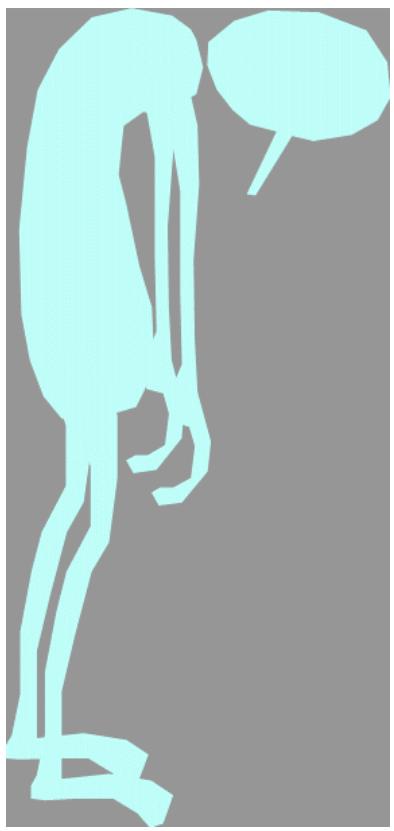
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## Optimizing Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor Therapy in Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors: Exploring the Benefits of Continuous Kinase Suppression

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**Alternative schedules or integration strategies to maximise treatment duration with sunitinib in patients with gastrointestinal stromal tumours**

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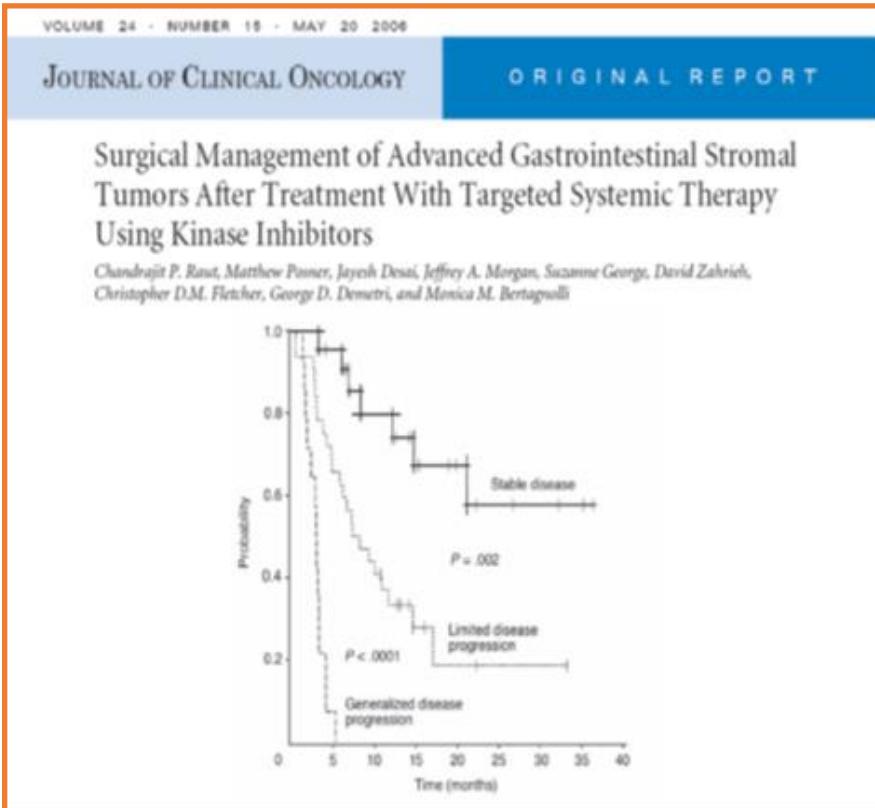
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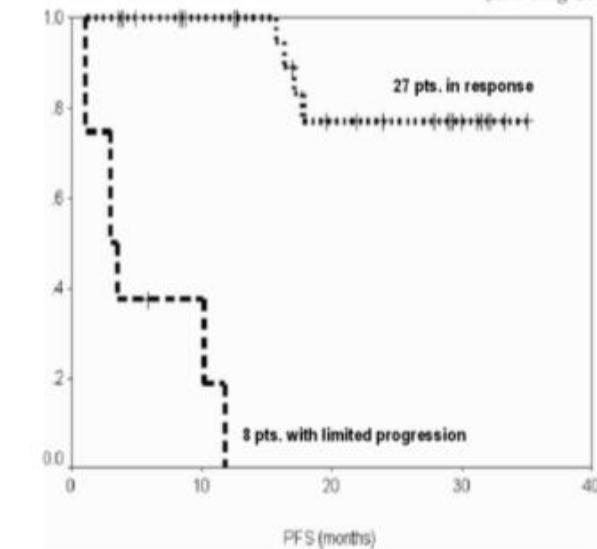
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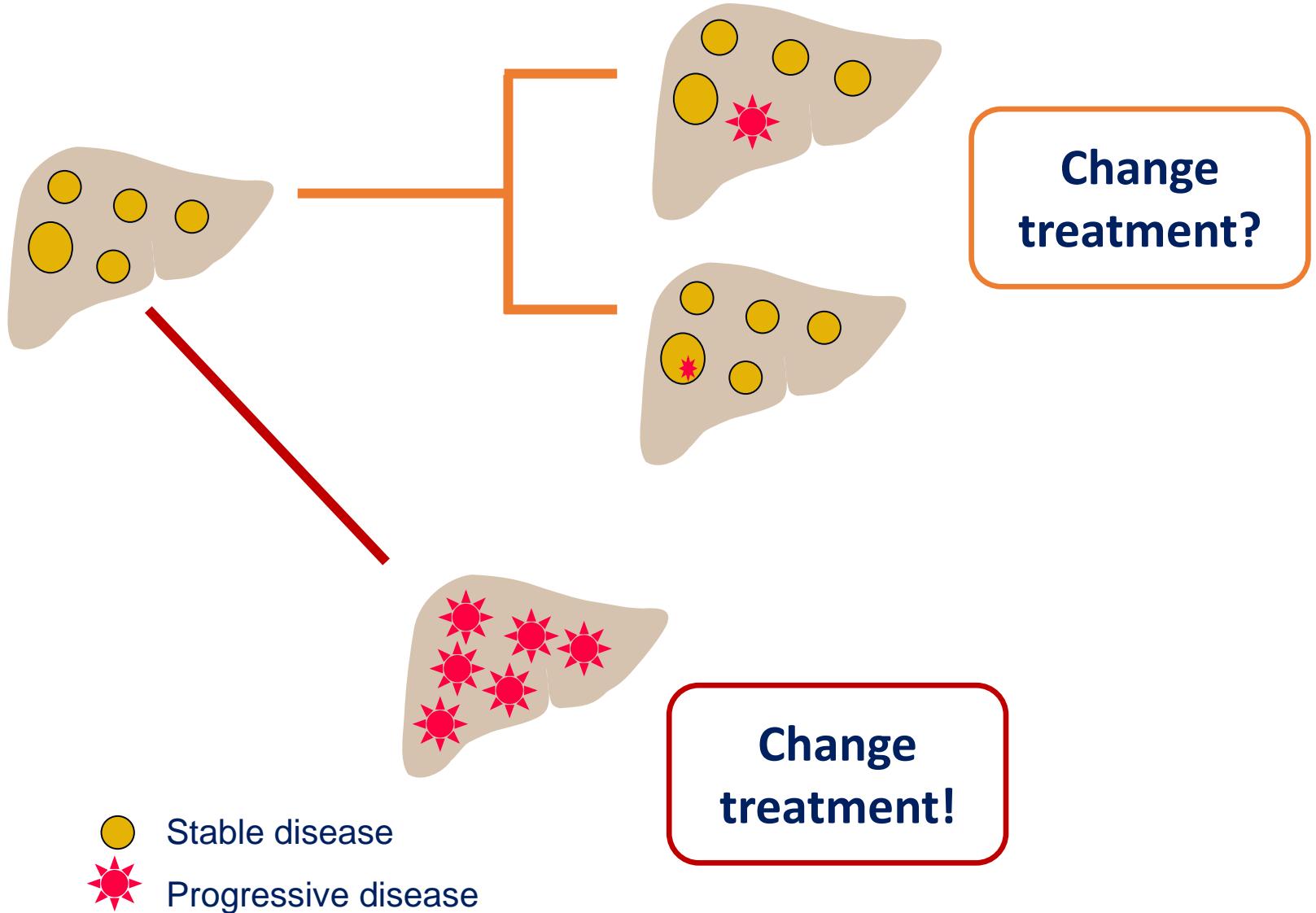
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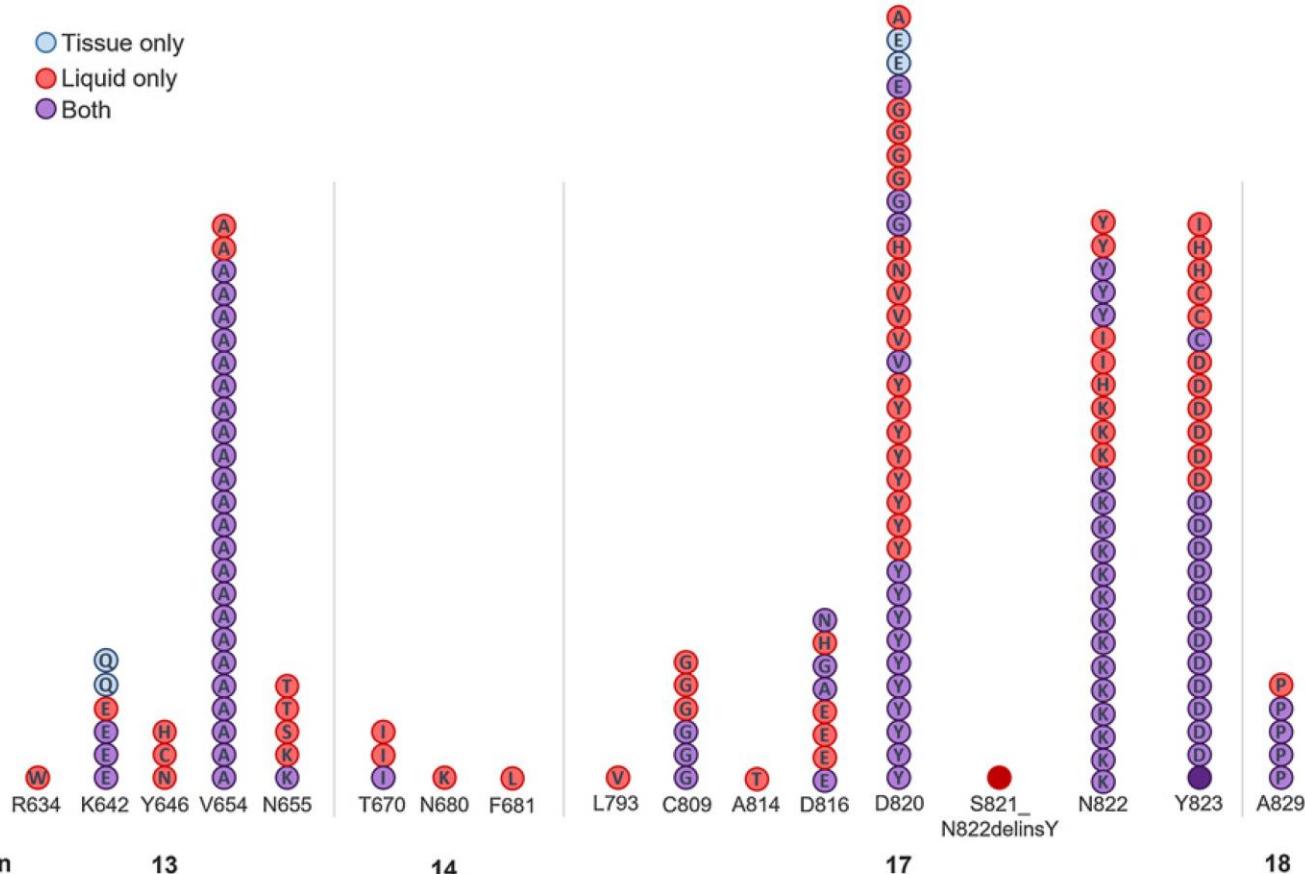


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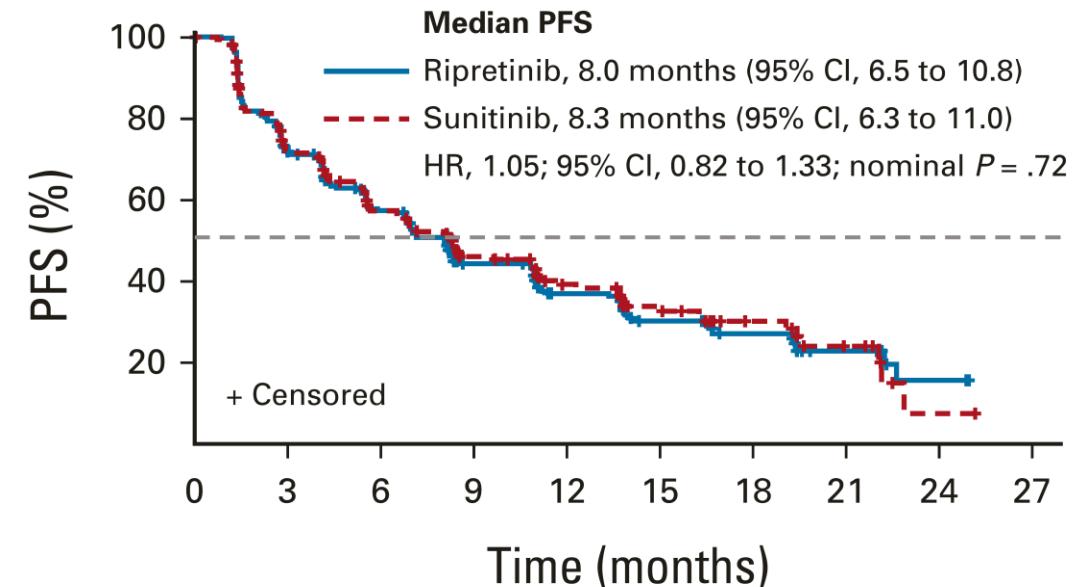
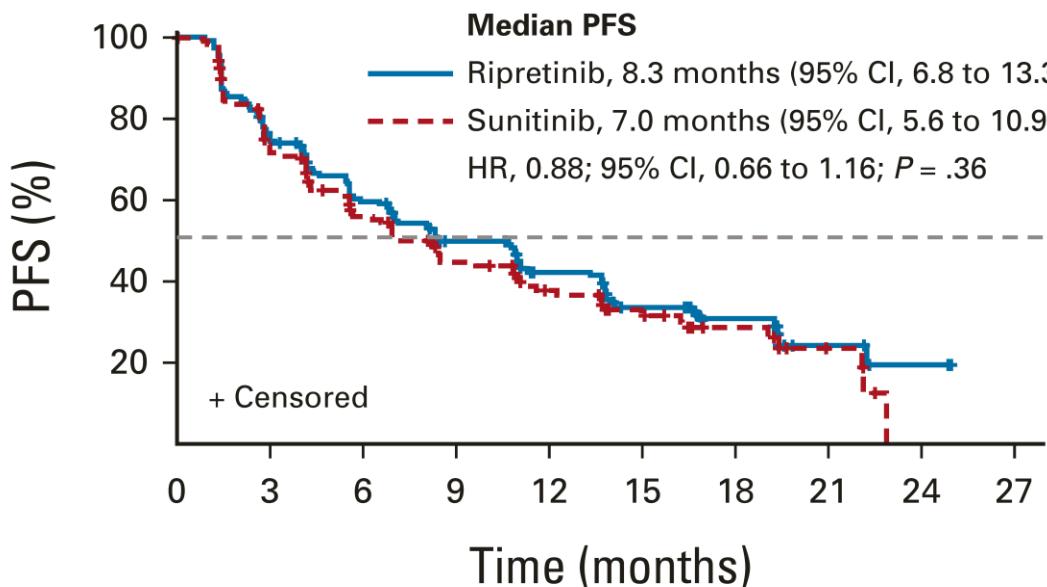
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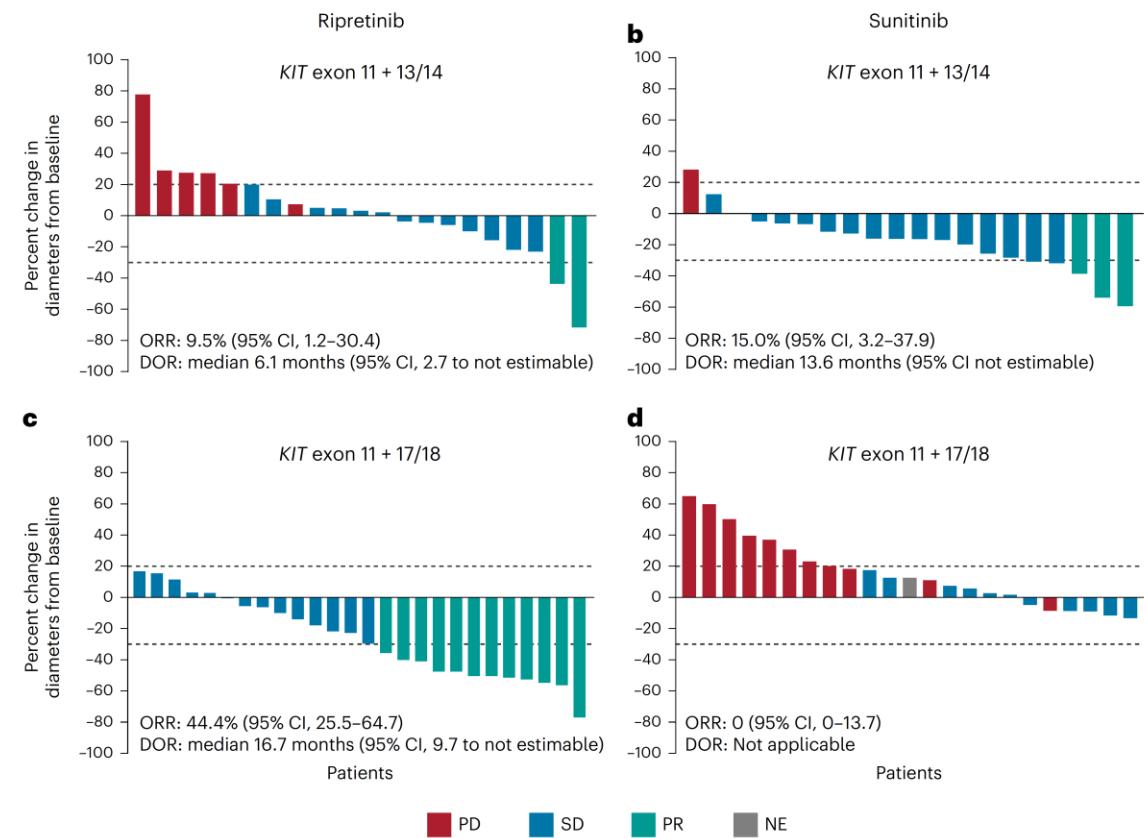
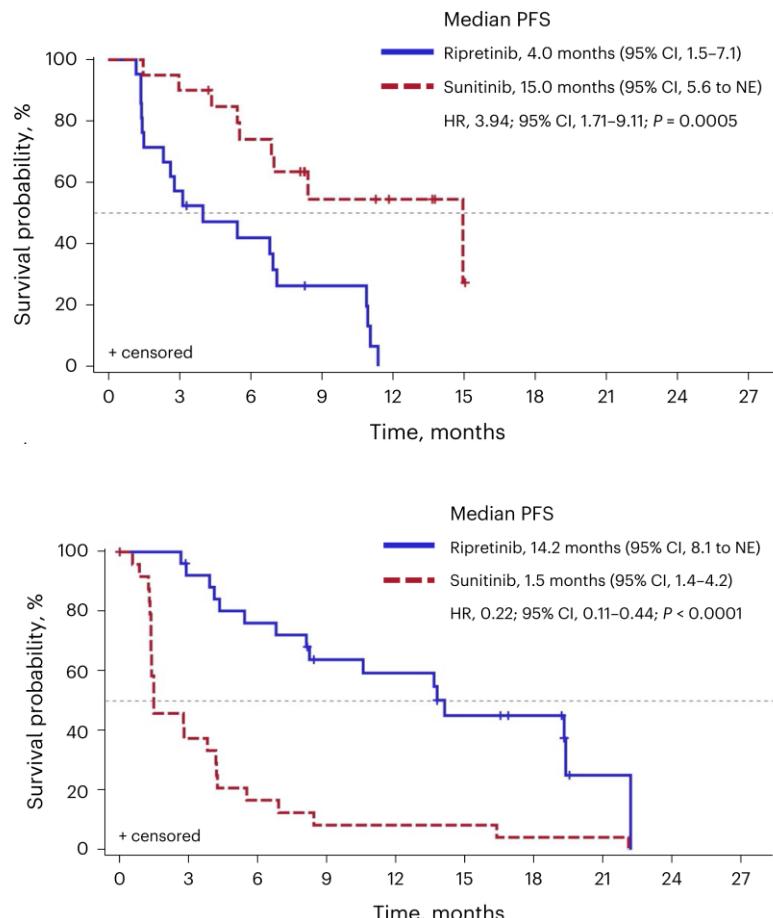


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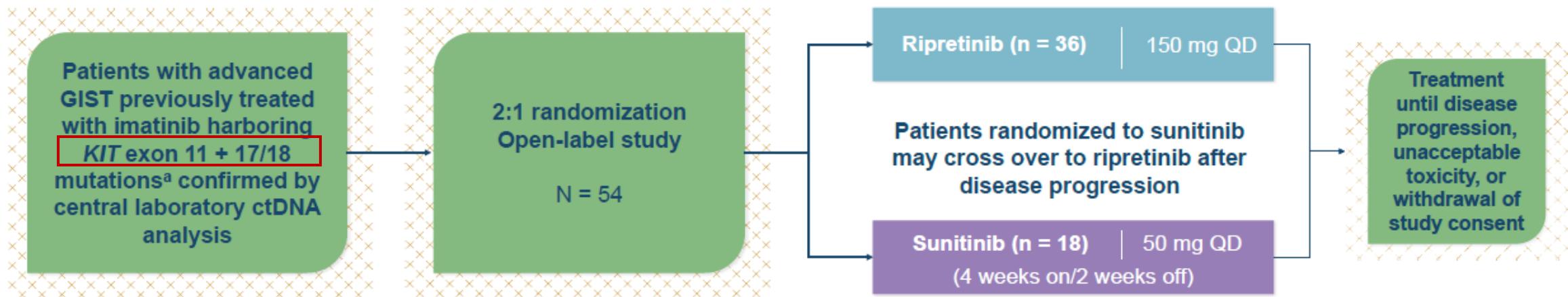
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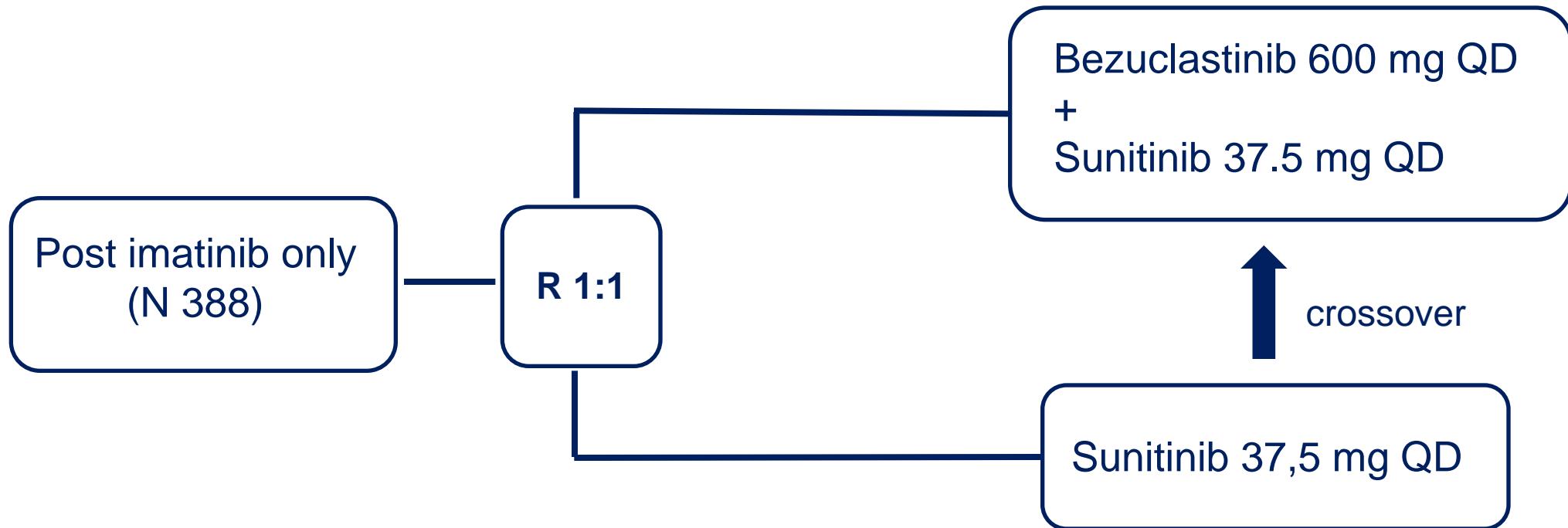
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## THE NOVEL KIT INHIBITOR IDRX-42 SHOWS PROMISING ACTIVITY IN 2ND AND LATER-LINE GASTROINTESTINAL STROMAL TUMORS: RESULTS FROM A PHASE 1 STUDY (STRATEGIST 1)

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- KIT mutations drive most GIST, with resistance to TKIs due to diverse secondary mutations in the ATP-binding pocket and activation loop
- No approved TKI inhibits the full spectrum of these mutations<sup>1</sup>
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FLT3, fms-like tyrosine kinase 3; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor; VEGFR-2, vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 2; Sources: 1. Kelly CM et al. J Hematol Oncol. 2021;14(1):2; 2. Bauer et al. J Clin Oncol. 2022;40(34):3918-3928;

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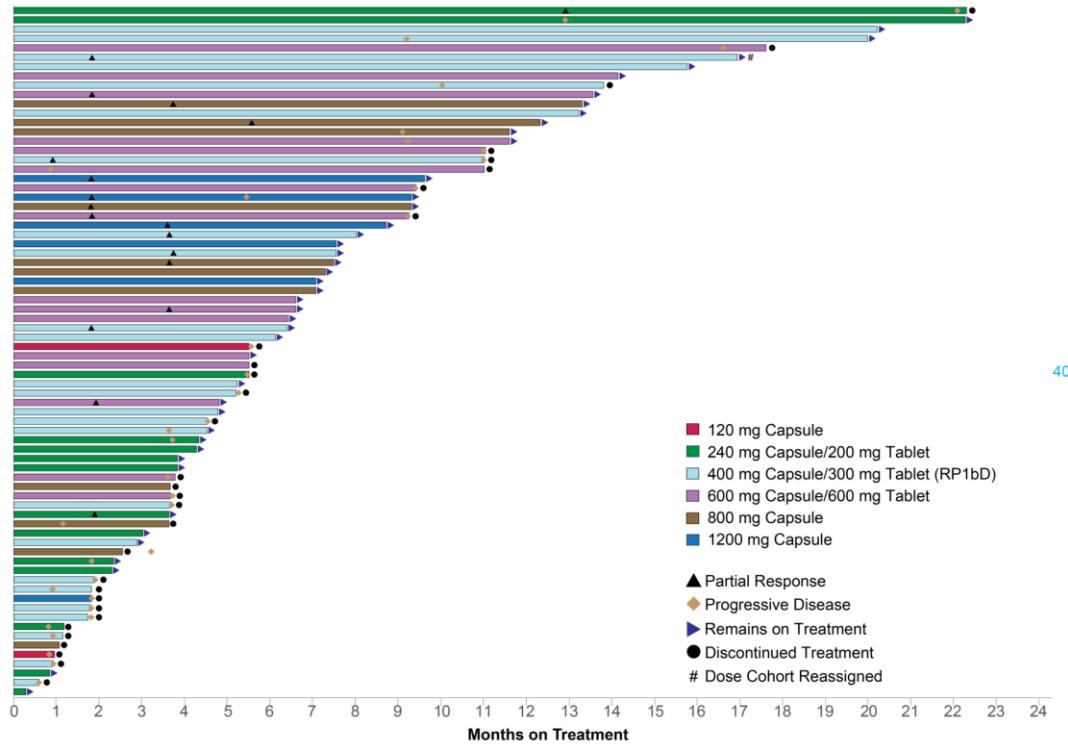
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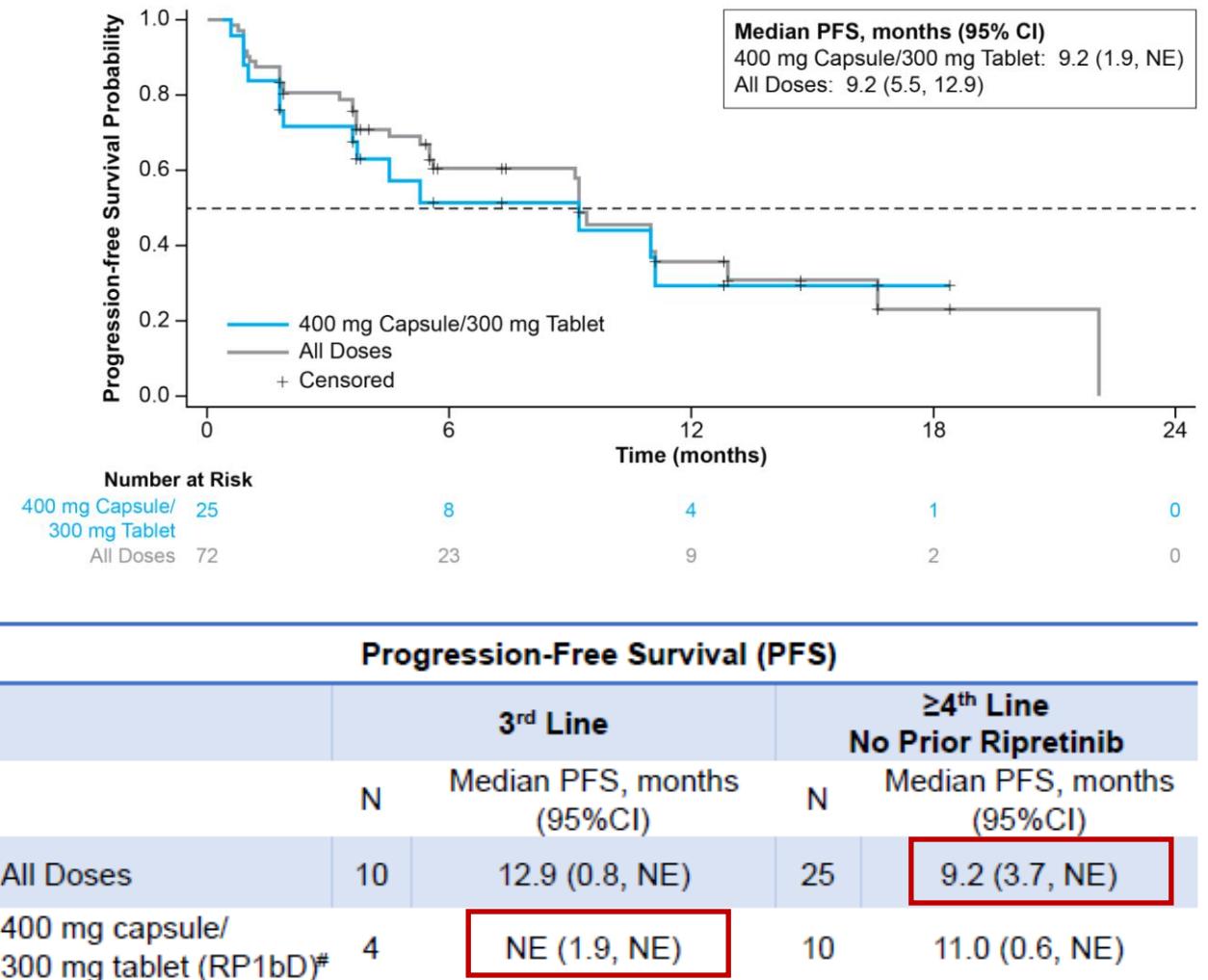
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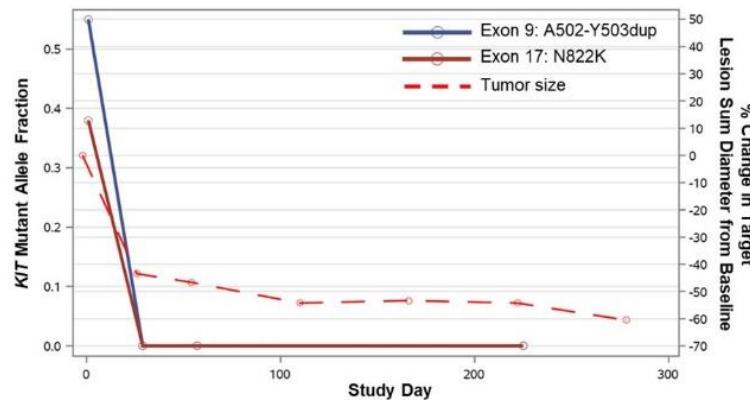
Baseline



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- 60 year old male (400 mg QD)
- Prior imatinib, sunitinib, regorafenib, cabozantinib, and regorafenib rechallenge
- No known response to prior therapy
- PR by mRECIST at 4 weeks
- Currently on treatment >10 months



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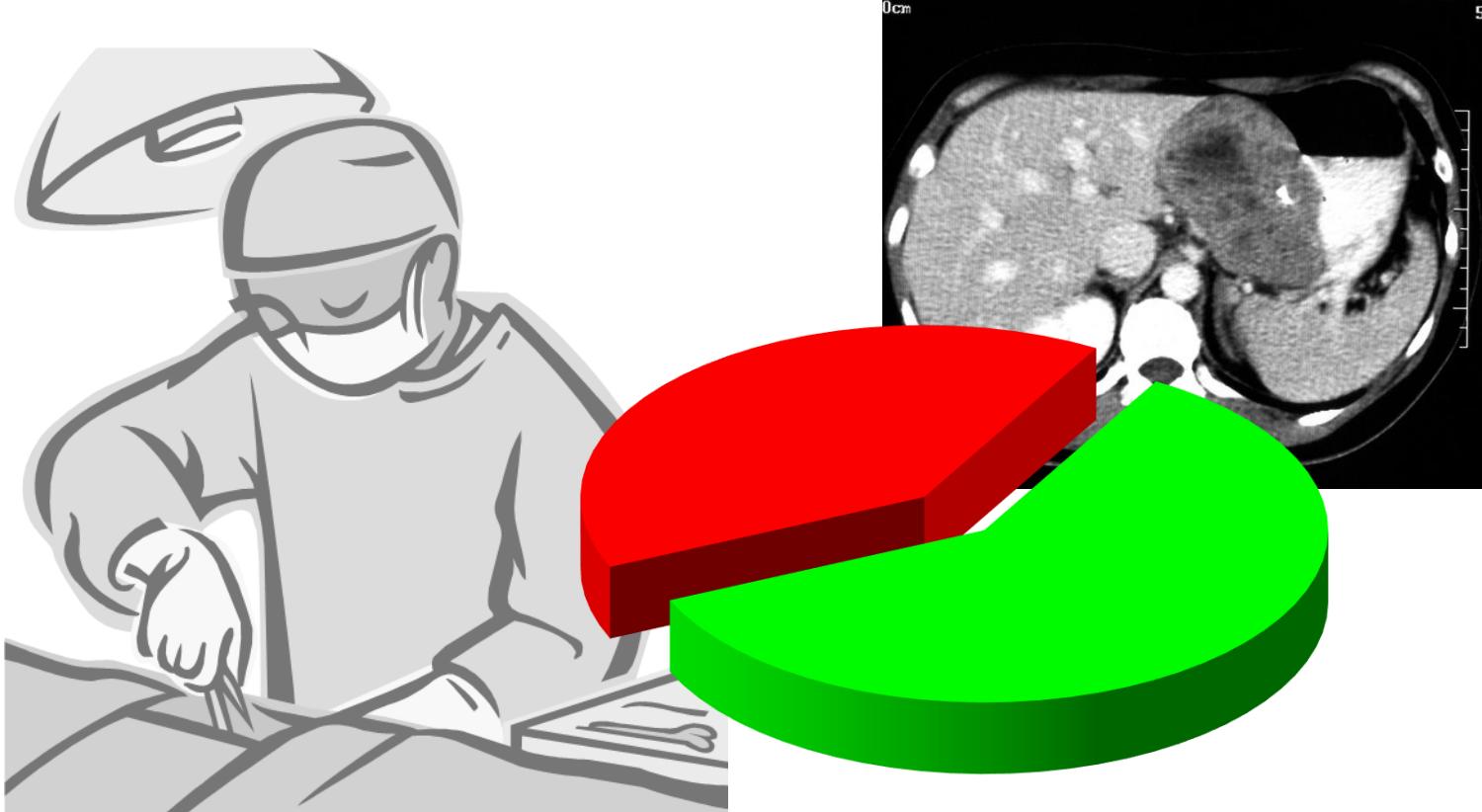
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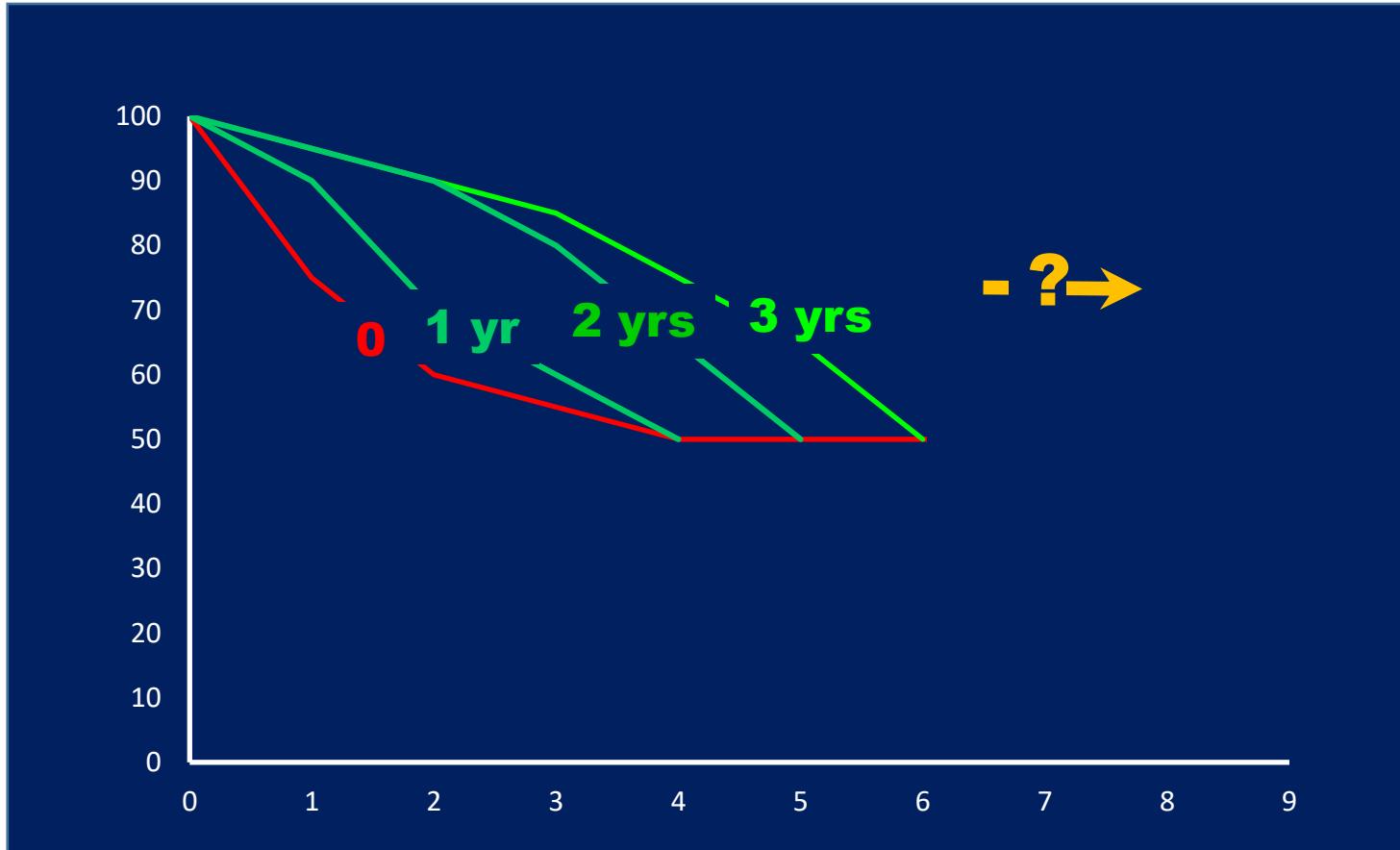
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# GIST - Adjuvant



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**Background:** The administration of adjuvant imatinib during 3 years is indicated after resection of primary localized GIST at high risk of recurrence, but many patients relapse afterwards.

**Methods:** IMADGIST (NCT02260505) was a multicenter, open-label, randomized phase III study evaluating the maintenance of imatinib for 3 more years (6-year arm) compared with interruption (3-year arm) from the day of randomization, conducted in the French Sarcoma Group. The primary endpoint was intent-to-treat disease-free survival. Secondary endpoints included overall survival, time to imatinib resistance, response after imatinib reintroduction at relapse, and safety.

**Results:** From 24 December 2014 to 4 April 2023, 136 patients aged  $\geq 18$  years, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status  $\leq 2$ , with a localized gastrointestinal stromal tumor with an R0 or R1 surgery, and a risk of tumor recurrence  $\geq 35\%$  according to National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) risk classification were randomized in 14 centers. Sixty-five patients were randomized to the 3-year arm versus 71 to the 6-year arm. There were 68 males and females. Primary sites were gastric and small bowel in 60 (44%) and 64 (47%) patients, respectively. Respectively, 52 (38%) and 71 (52%) patients had a risk of relapse of 35%-70% and  $>70\%$ . With a median follow-up of 55 months (interquartile range 46-59 months) after randomization, disease-free survival was significantly superior in the 6-year arm [hazard ratio: 0.40 (0.20-0.69),  $P = 0.0008$ ]. Time to imatinib resistance, survival, adverse events, and quality of life were not different in the two arms.

**Conclusions:** Three additional years of adjuvant imatinib reduces the risk of relapse in patients who have received 3 years of adjuvant imatinib with an acceptable tolerance.

**Key words:** adjuvant therapy, gastrointestinal stromal tumors, imatinib mesylate, randomized clinical trial

### INTRODUCTION

Gastrointestinal stromal tumor (GIST) is the most common sarcoma and also a paradigmatic model for precision medicine in solid tumors, with the tyrosine kinase inhibitor imatinib as a standard first-line treatment in the advanced phase and as adjuvant treatment in *KIT*- or *PDGFRα*-mutated GIST.<sup>1,2</sup>

Three randomized clinical trials established that imatinib mesylate prescribed in the adjuvant setting significantly reduces the risk of relapse of GIST at high risk of relapse.<sup>3-5</sup> A duration of 3 years of adjuvant imatinib treatment was demonstrated to improve relapse-free survival (RFS) and overall survival of patients at high risk of relapse over a duration of 1 year and is now recommended as standard in guidelines.<sup>4,6-8</sup> The EORTC STBSG 62024 study which provided 2 years of adjuvant treatment demonstrated that adjuvant treatment is not associated with a faster emergence of secondary resistance to imatinib.<sup>3</sup> The recommended dose of imatinib in the adjuvant setting is 300-400 mg/day.<sup>6-8</sup> An 800 mg dose is an option in GIST with *KIT* exon 9 mutation in the advanced phase, but did not show superiority at  $>400$

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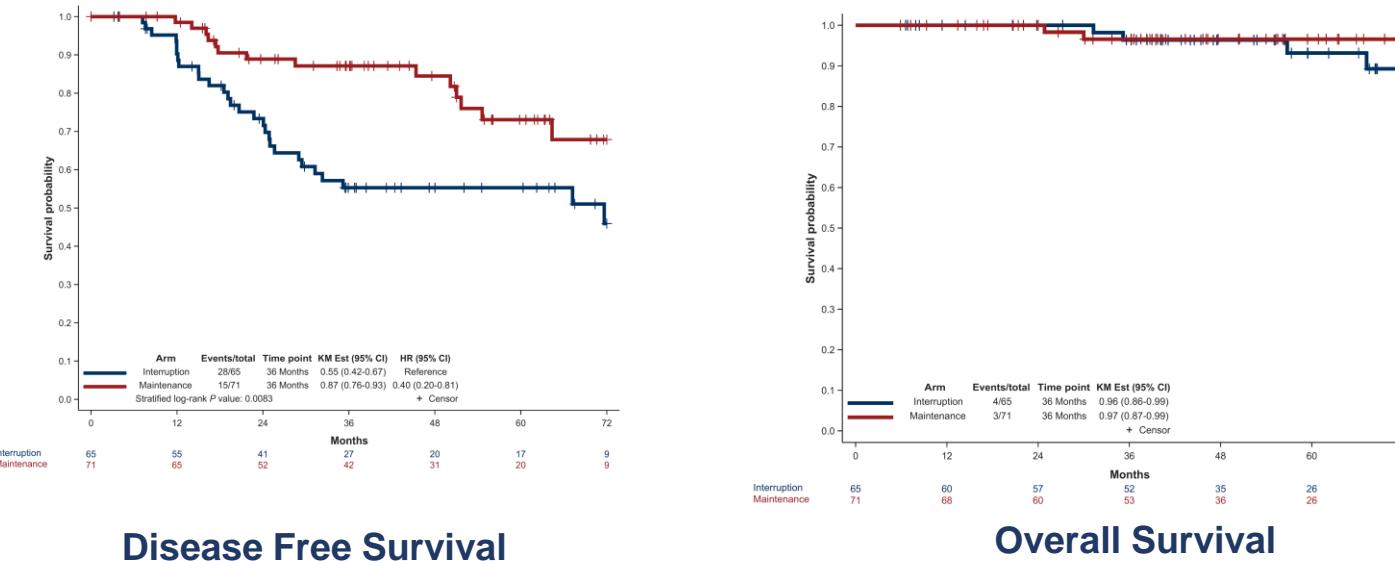
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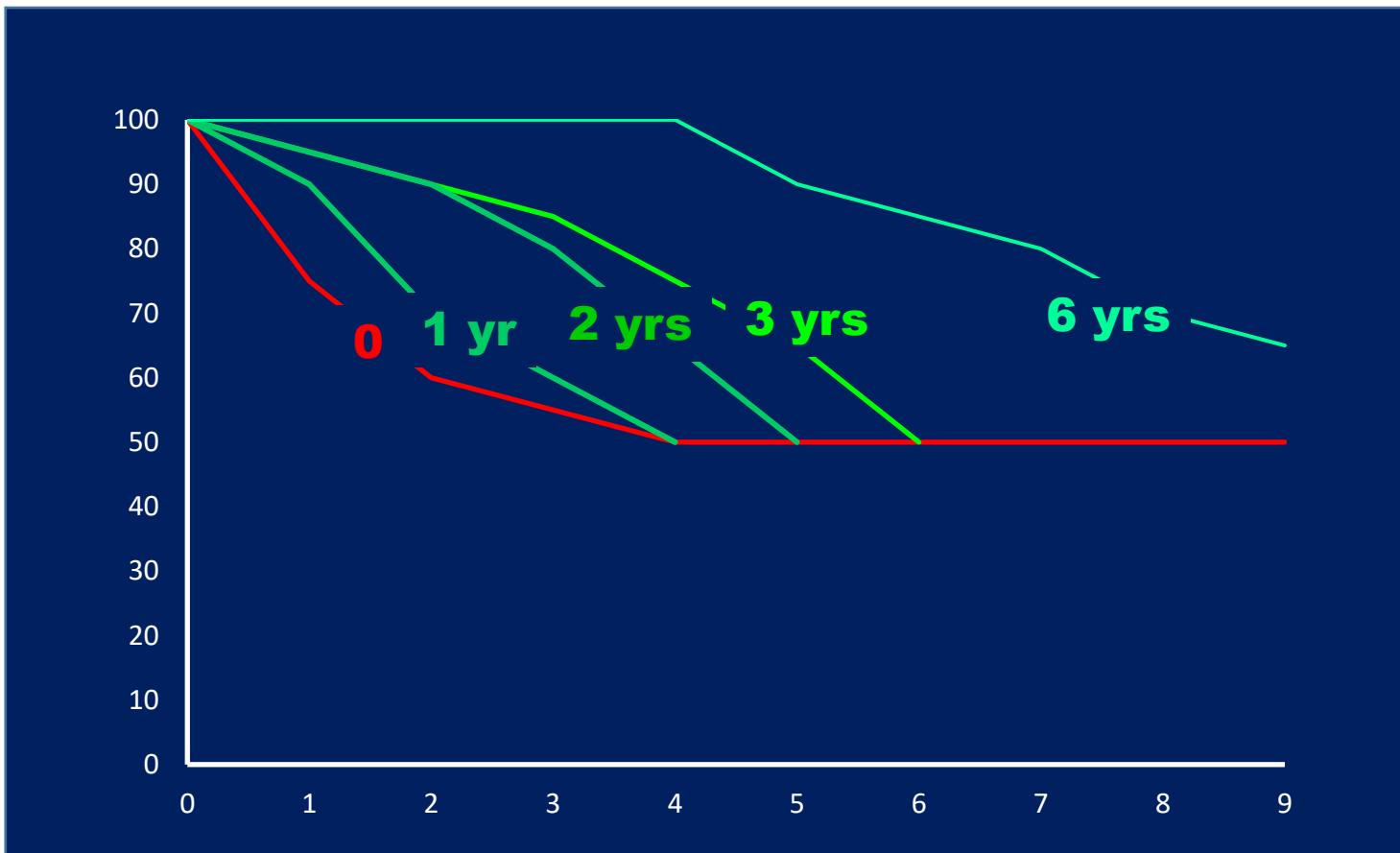
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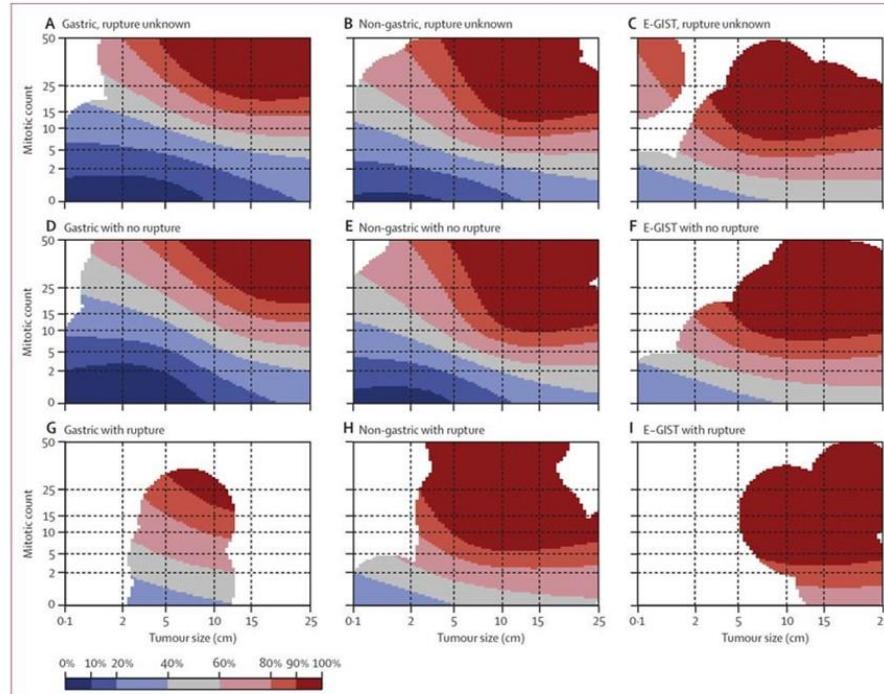
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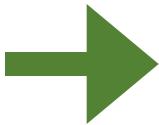
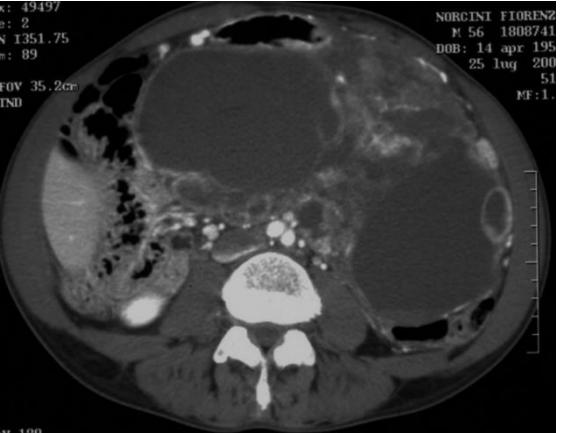
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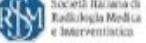
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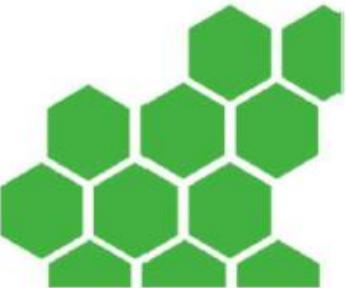
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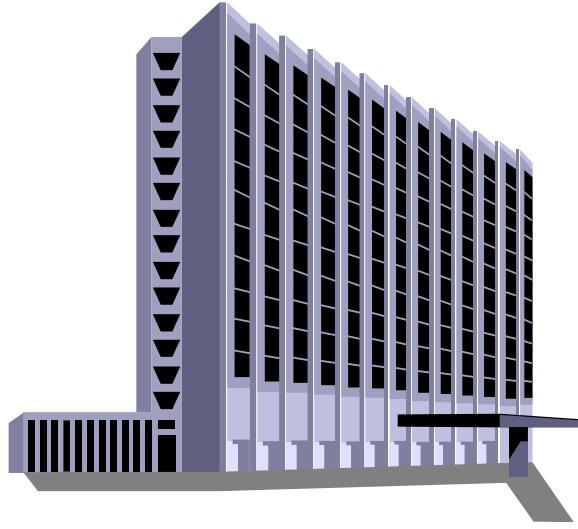
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