



◆ Treatment of patients with RAS wt mCRC in light of recent guidelines

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Survival Improvement over past 20 years



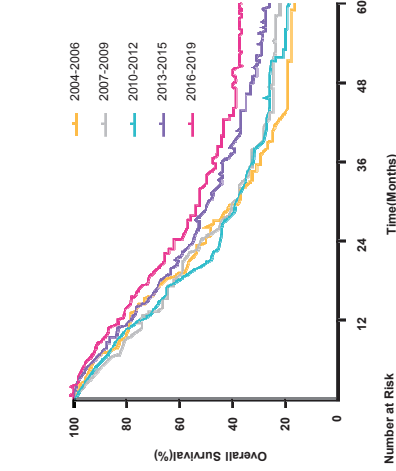
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Survival improvement for patients with metastatic colorectal cancer over twenty years



Significant variables from univariate and multivariate analyses.



Variate	Reference	Univariate Analysis			Multivariate Analysis		
		HR	P-value	95% CI	HR	P-value	95% CI
Liver Resection	No	0.26	200E-17	0.19-0.35	0.26	9.20E-16	0.19-0.37
Immunotherapy	No	0.39	5.8E-06	0.27-0.61	0.44	0.00013	0.29-0.67
Third Line Chemotherapy	No	0.69	0.0015	0.55-0.87	0.74	0.018	0.58-0.95
Race: Asian	White	0.72	0.026	0.53-0.96	0.8	0.15	0.59-1.1
Year of Diagnosis	NA	0.96	3.5E-06	0.95-0.98	0.99	0.44	0.98-1
Age at diagnosis	NA	1.012	0.000015	1.007-1.01	1.007	0.021	1.001-1.01
Chronic Kidney Disease	NO	1.4	0.0029	1.1-1.8	1.3	0.025	1.03-1.68
Race: Black or African American	White	1.4	0.00047	1.2-1.7	1.3	0.015	1.04-1.54
Right sided primary tumor	Left	1.7	8.10E-12	1.4-1.9	1.7	4.50E-12	1.5-2

Only variables significant in invariable analysis were included in the multivariable model. Regression Formula:

OS ~ Age at Diagnosis + Primary Tumor Side + Immunotherapy + Third Line Treatment + Race + Liver Resection +

Chronic Kidney Disease + Year of diagnosis.

Fadi A. Zeineddine, Mohammad A. Zeineddine, Abdelrahman Yousef, Rue Gu, Sakat Chowdhury, Arvind Dasari, Ryan W. Huey, Benny Johnson, Bryan Kee, Michael S. Lee, Maria Pia Morelli, Van K. Morris, Michael J. Overman, Christine Parseghian, Karwal Raghav, Jason Willis, Robert A. Wolff, Yoshikuni Kawaguchi, Jean-Nicolas Vauthey, Ryan Sun, Scott Kopetz and John Paul Shen

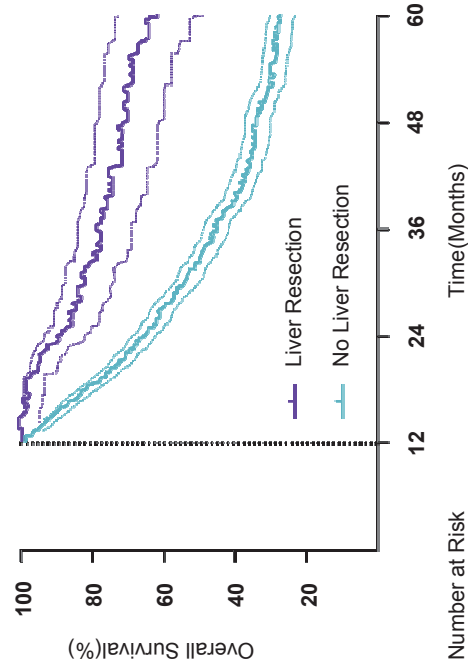
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RWE: Liver resection
rate in US & Taiwan



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Primary Driver of Survival Improvement is
Increased Utilization of CLM Resection

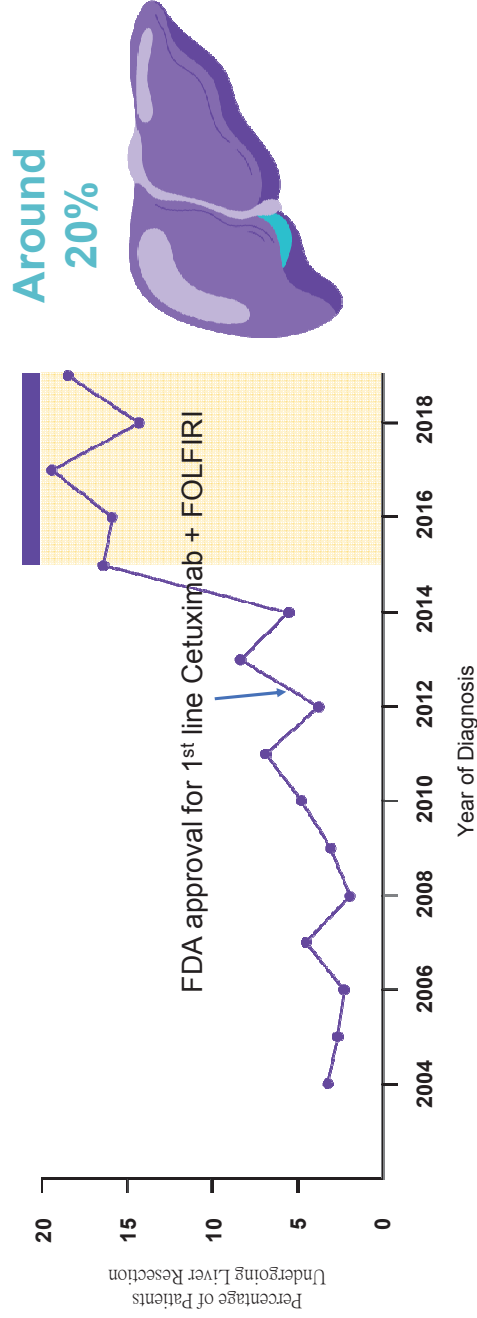


Survival benefit of liver resection

Liver resection: **74.3 mOS**
No Liver resection: **32.6 mOS**

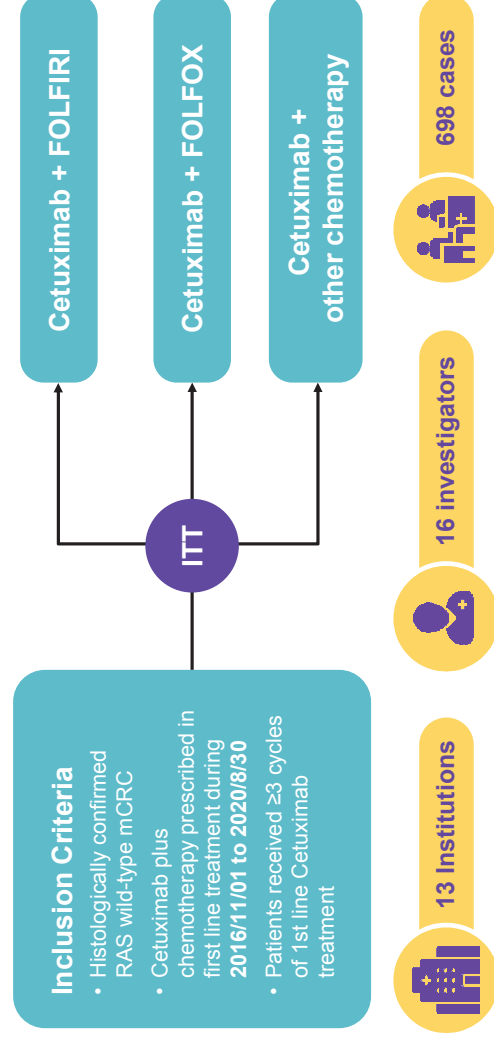


Liver resection rate has stabilized at 20% after 2014



Precision Oncology (2023) 7:16 | <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41698-023-0035-4>

Taiwan RWE retrospective study



A total of 698 mCRC patients received the 1L cetuximab-based chemotherapy, with a median age of 61.8 years. 626 (90%) had a left-sided primary tumor. 423 (60%) had liver metastases.

Annals of Oncology (2022) 33 (suppl_7): S136-S136 | <https://doi.org/10.1016/jannonc.2022.08.048>

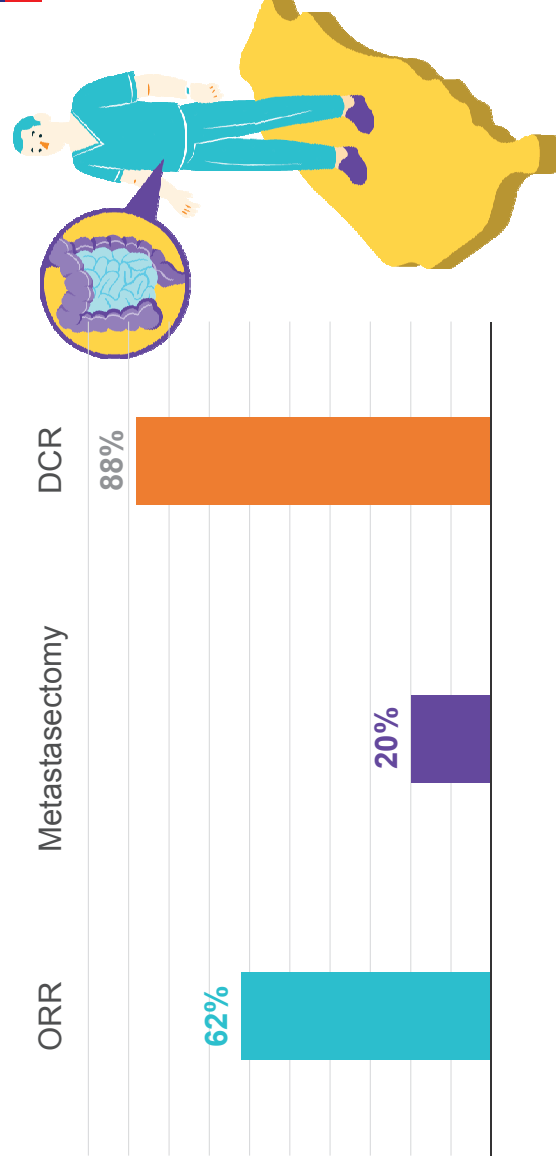
Baseline Characteristics (N=698)



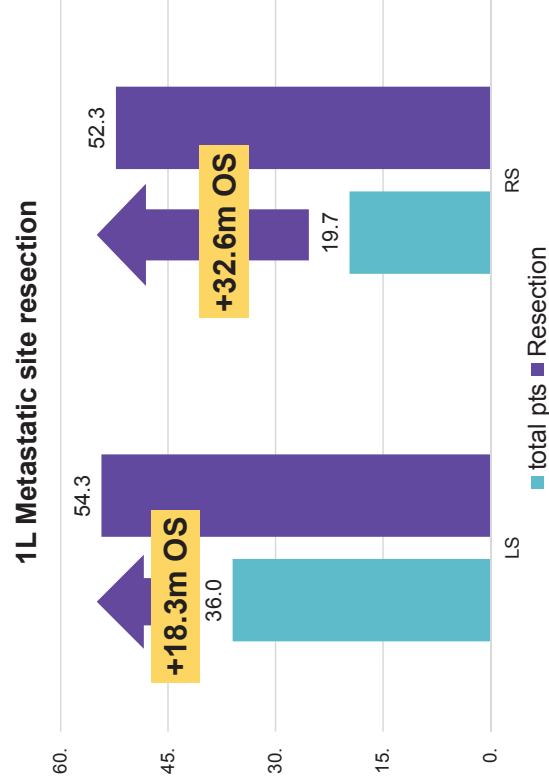
Characteristics	Number(%)	Characteristics	Number(%)
Median age, years(range)	61.8	Metachronous or synchronous	
Sex		Metastasis	
Male	472	Synchronous	434
Female	226	Metachronous	260
ECOG performance status		Metastatic site	
0	477	Liver	425
1	196	Lung	178
2	18	Peritoneum	146
≥3	6	Distant lymph-node	100
Location of primary tumor		Number of metastatic sites	
Left-sided	626	1	380
Right-sided	68	2	159
Both	3	≥3	142
Primary tumor resection		Metastectomy	
Yes	472	Yes	190
No	216	No	503
MMR and BRAF status		Regimen in combination with	
BRAF Status		cetuximab(N=691)	
Wild-Type	506	FOLFIRI	576
V600E mut	15	FOLFOX	87
MMR Status		Others	28
dMMR	27		
pMMR	329		
Prior adjuvant therapy			
Yes	184		
No	503		

Percentages do not always add up to 100% because of missing data classified as unknown. †More than one could be present in the same patient. A total of 695 patients have records of distant metastasis location

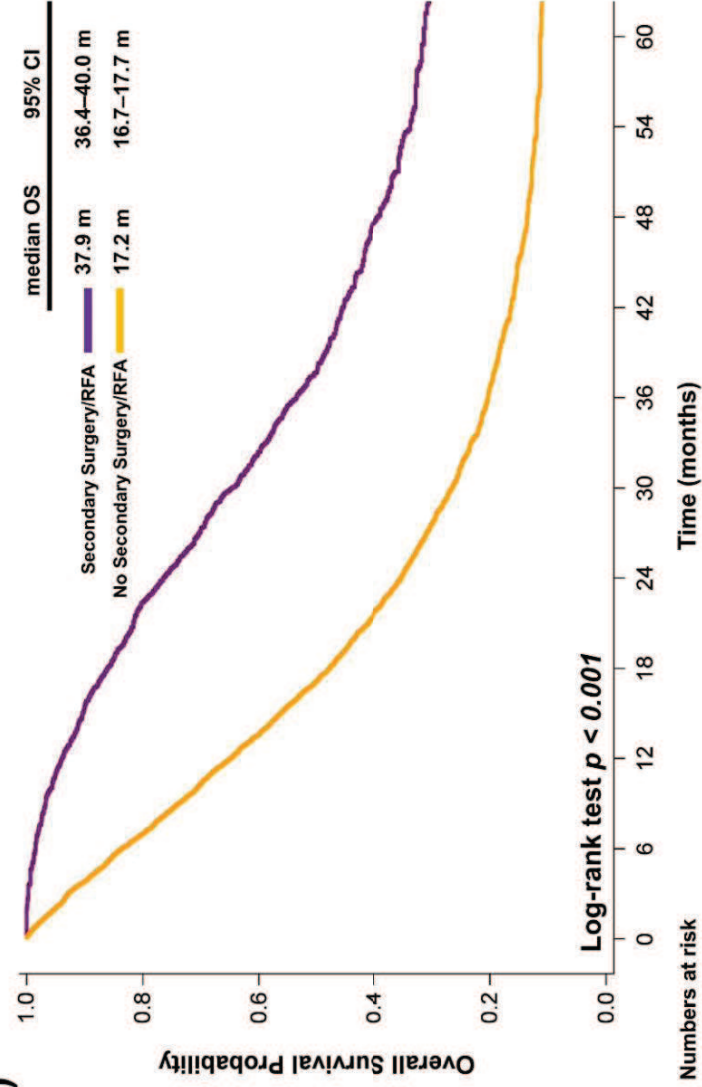
Taiwan mCRC Registry



The mCRC patients who undergo **metastasectomy** have **longer mOS** than total patients, regardless tumor sidedness



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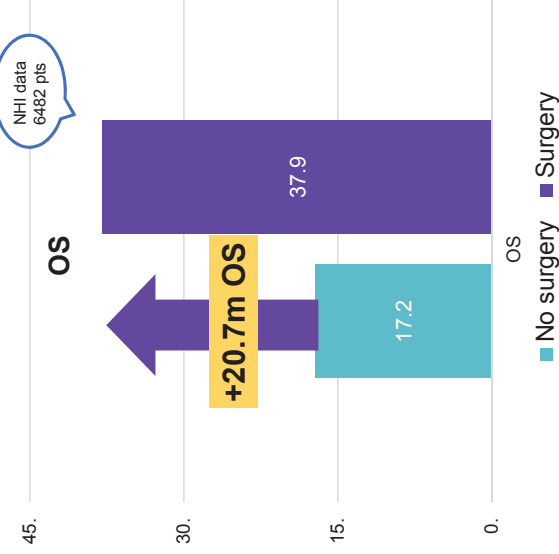
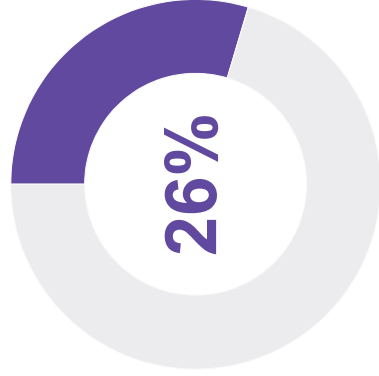


Numbers at risk		Time (months)											
	2 nd Surgery	1685											
			0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
2 nd Surgery	1685	1658	1580	1313	1055	769	553	392	289	192	144		
No 2 nd Surgery	4797	4014	3117	2031	1317	828	539	377	259	176	119		

Taiwan mCRC nationwide NHI data (6482 patients)



Secondary surgery



Annals of Oncology (2022) 33 (suppl_7): S136-S136. [10.1016/jannonc.2022.04.48](https://doi.org/10.1016/jannonc.2022.04.48)

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Guidelines and recommendations
for cytoreduction

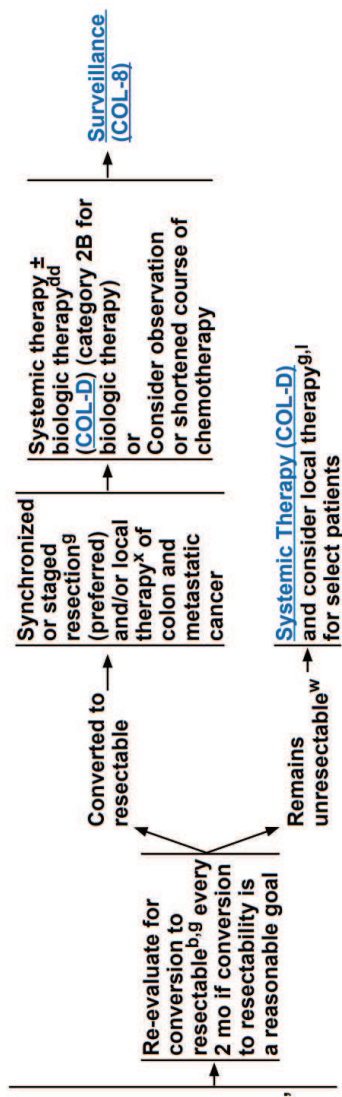


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TREATMENT

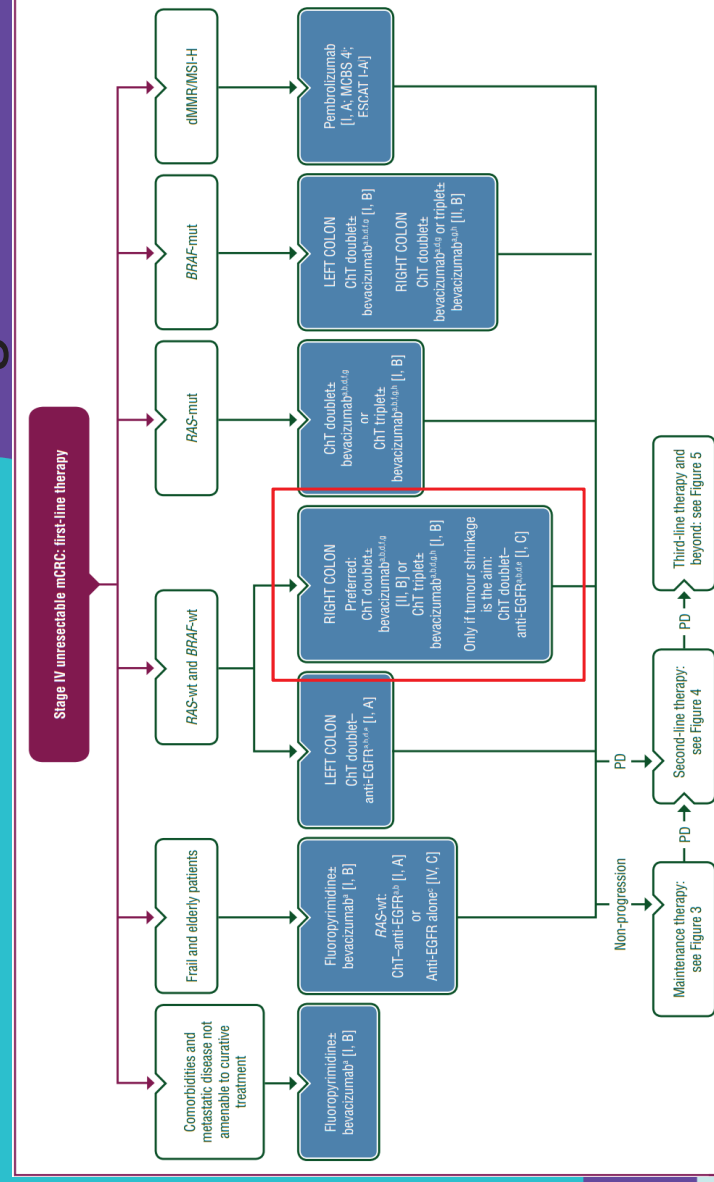
Unresectable⁹ synchronous liver and/or lung metastases only
pMMR/MSS

- Systemic therapy^y
 - FOLFIRI or FOLFOX or CAPEOX or FOLFIRINOX ± bevacizumab^z
 - or
 - FOLFIRI or FOLFOX ± panitumumab or cetuximab^{aa} (KRAS/NRAS/BRAF-WT and left-sided tumors only)^{e,bb,cc}
- Consider colon resections⁹ only if imminent risk of obstruction, significant bleeding, perforation, or other significant tumor-related symptoms



ADJUVANT TREATMENT^b (UP TO 6 MO PERIOPERATIVE TREATMENT)

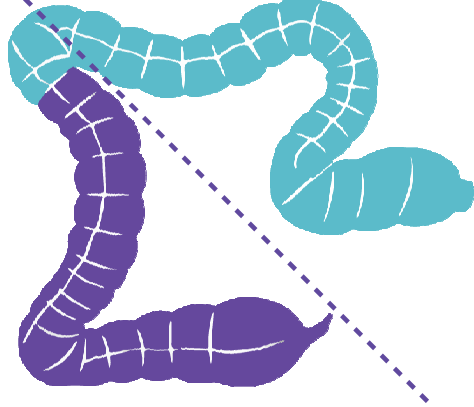
ESMO/Pan-Asian ESMO guidelines



mCRC:

2024 ESMO guideline and Taiwan Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons treatment consensus

1L therapies for RAS wt (BRAF wt) mCRC¹



Right sided

Anti-EGFR+CT is recommended for RAS WT RS mCRC patients when a higher response for conversion therapy is the goal.

Left sided

Anti-EGFR+CT is recommended for RAS WT LS mCRC patients (irrespective of tumor goal)

Cervantes A, et al. ESMO Metastatic Colorectal Cancer Living Guidelines, v1.2 September 2024. Accessed on Sep 23, 2024. Available at: <https://www.esmo.org/living-guidelines/esmo-metastatic-colorectal-cancer-living-guideline>.

(2) Bevacizumab (除 Zirabev 及 Abevmy 以外) 與含有 5-

fluorouracil/leucovorin/oxaliplatin 的化學療法合併使用，作為先前接受過

以 fluoropyrimidine 為基礎的化學療法併用 cetuximab 或 panitumumab 無效且

未曾接受過 bevacizumab 治療，RAS 基因沒有突變的轉移性大腸或直腸癌病人的

第二線治療。(114/3/1)¹

II. 使用總療程以 24 週為上限。↵

III. 須經事前審查核准後使用，每次申請事前審查之療程以 12 週為限，再次申請

必須提出客觀證據 (如: RECIST criteria) 證實無惡化，才可繼續使

用。↵

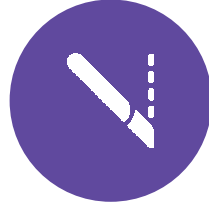
IV. 使用劑量：限 5mg/kg，每兩週一次。↵

Addressing issue:

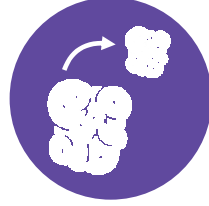
1. 1st line treatment: Bevacizumab vs Cetuximab
2. Right side colon: Cetuximab or not?

Tumor shrinkage (cytoreduction) can be a primary treatment goal for patients with mCRC^{1,2}

Cytoreduction is a primary treatment goal for patients with:²



Potentially resectable disease in which conversion is a key treatment goal²



Aggressive disease that requires rapid reduction in tumor burden to limit impending clinical threat²



Severe disease-related symptoms or impending organ dysfunction²

ESMO/Pan-Asian ESMO guidelines recommend treatments for tumor shrinkage in RAS wt mCRC, regardless of tumor sidedness^{1,3}

1. Yoshino T, et al. *Ann Oncol* 2018;29:44-70

2. Van Cutsem E, et al. *Ann Oncol* 2016;27:1386-1422

3. *Annals of Oncology* (2022), doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.annonc.2022.10.003>

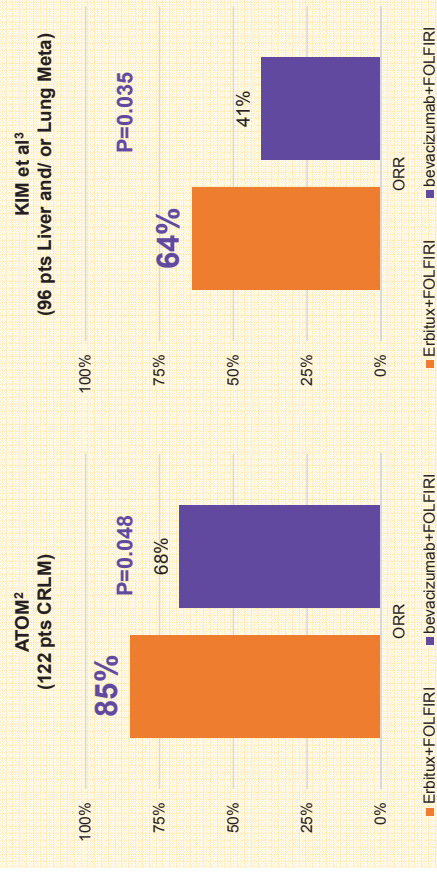
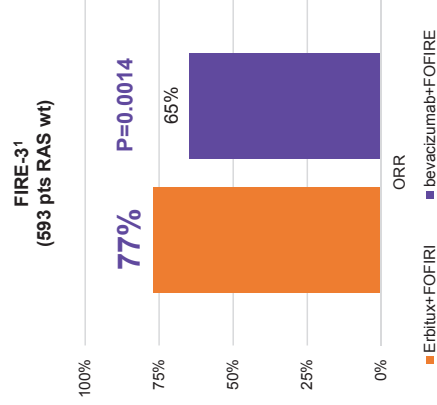
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Efficacy of Erbitux vs Avastin in 1L mCRC



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**Erbitux is superior to Beva in Objective Response
Rate in 1L patients**

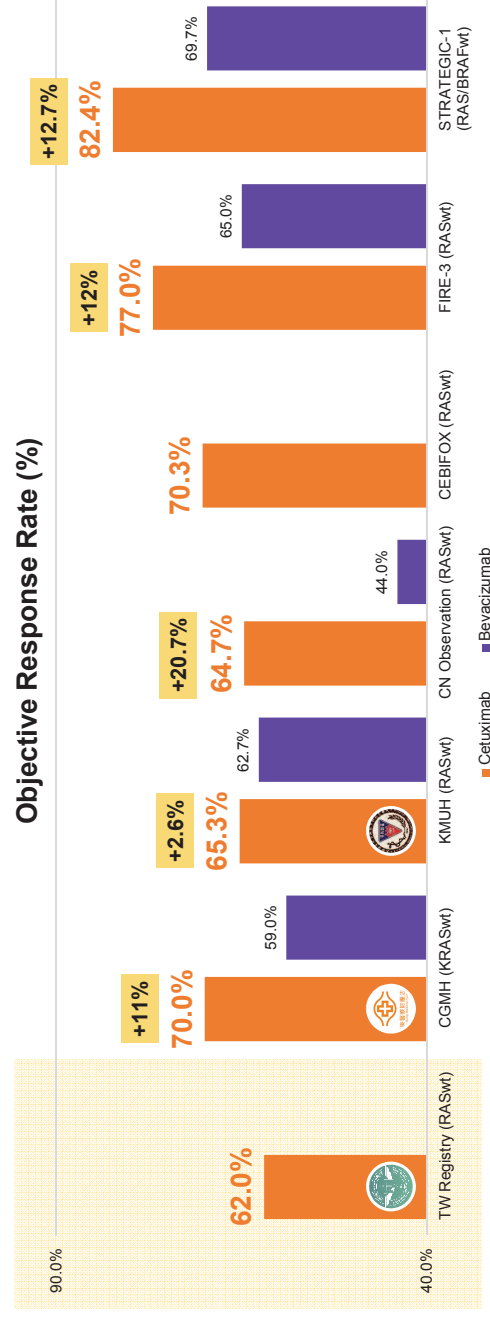


Around 80% ORR in FIRE-3 and ATOM

Add additional +12% to 23% response rate with Erbitux vs Beva

Note: This is not a cross-trial comparison, hence data from these trials are not comparable!

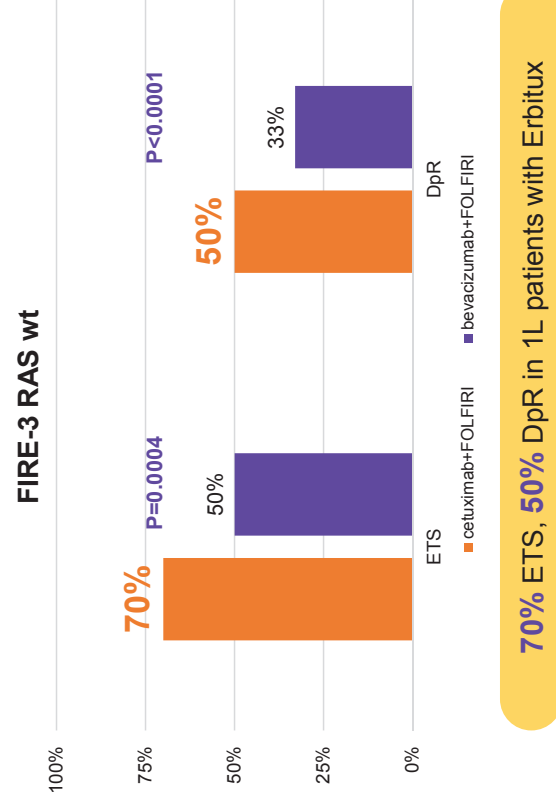
Cetuximab consistently provides 60%+~80% ORR in 1L mCRC



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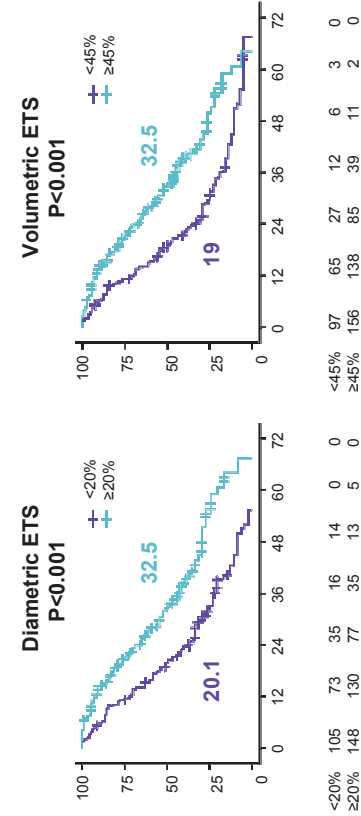
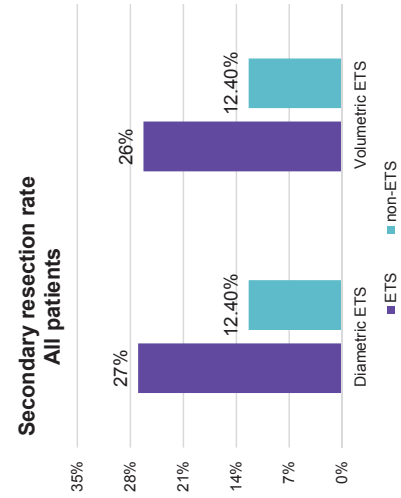
1. Taiwan CRC Registry (2022 ESMO abstract) 2. Hsu et al., Cancer Medicine, 2019;001-10 3. Tsai, Oncol Res, 2022 May 4;26(1):47-61 4. Liu et al., Scientific Reports, (2020) 10:12336 5. Kasper et al., Clin Colorectal Cancer, 2020 Dec;19(4):235-247 e6 6. Heinemann et al., Br J Cancer, 2021 Feb;124(3):597-594 7. Chibaudel et al., 2022 ASCO FIRE-3; received >= 3 cycles of therapy and had >= 1 post-baseline scan were evaluable and constituted the per-protocol population

Erbitux is superior to Beva in ETS, DpR

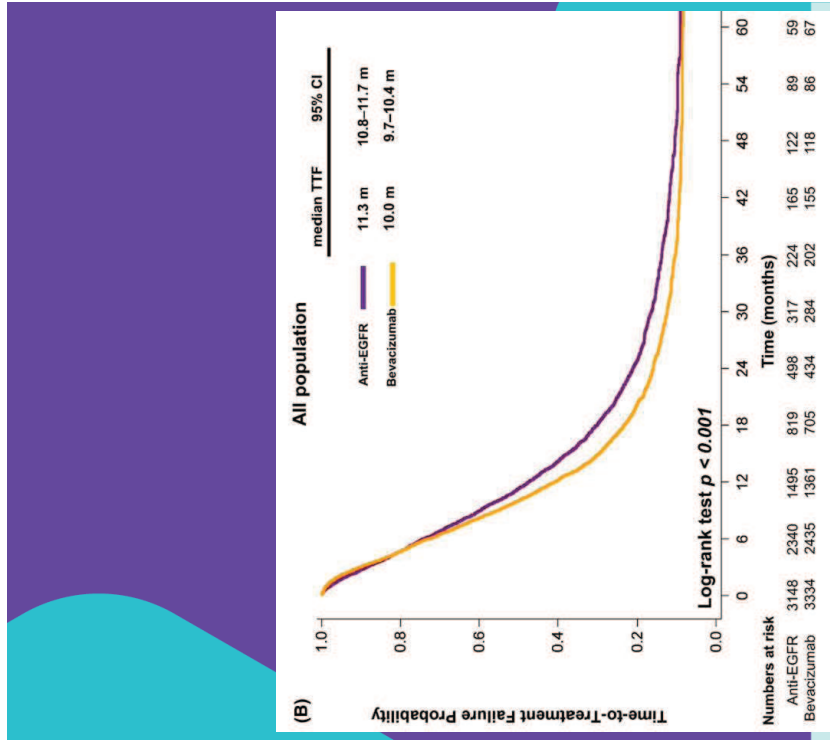
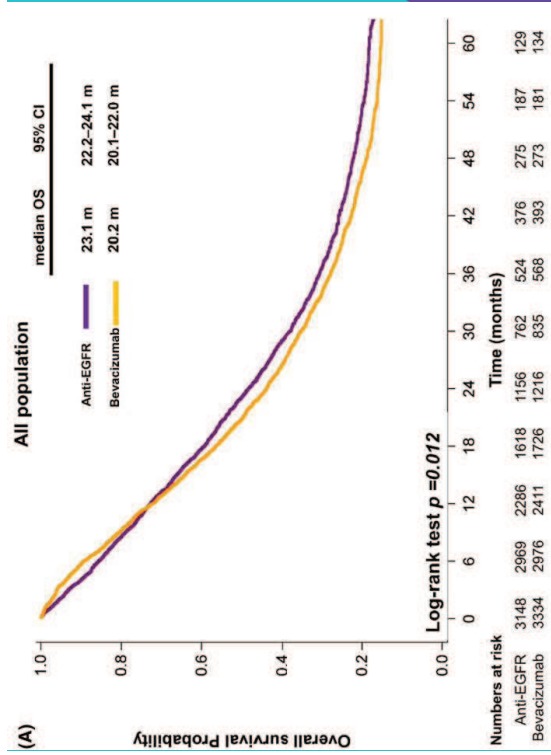


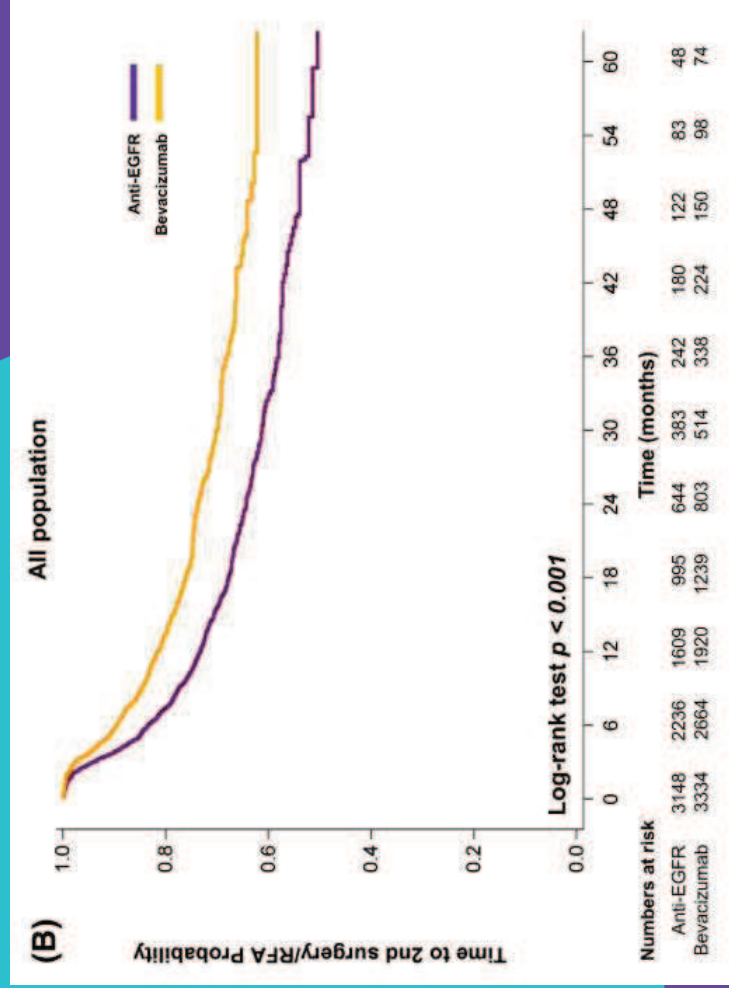
ETS : 腫瘤在治療第六週縮小20%以上的比例

Patients achieving diametric/ volumetric ETS demonstrated significant better resection rate and OS benefits in FIRE-3



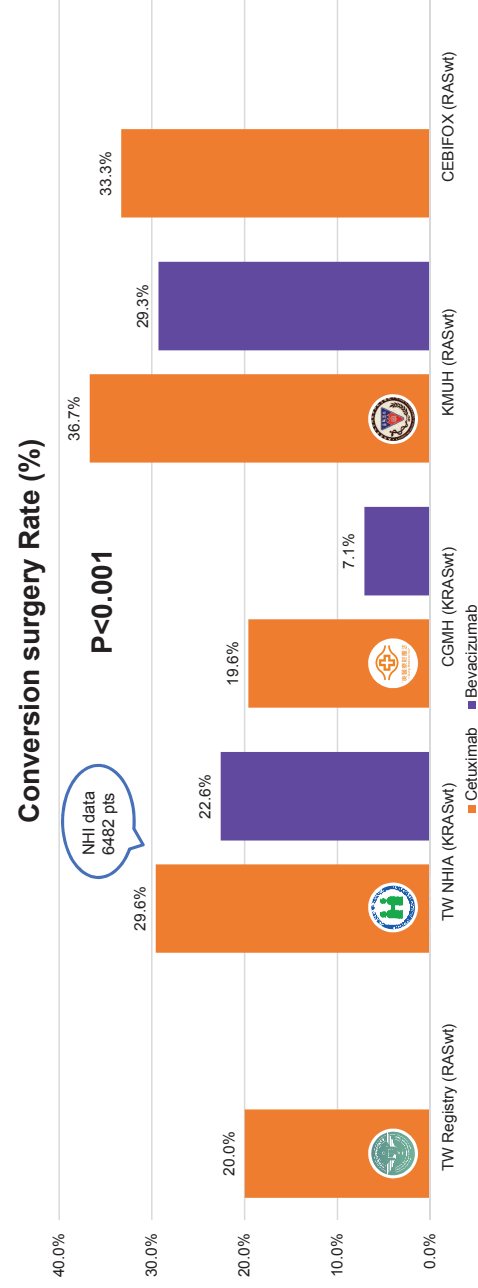
2022 Felix O. Hörmann et al. European Radiology





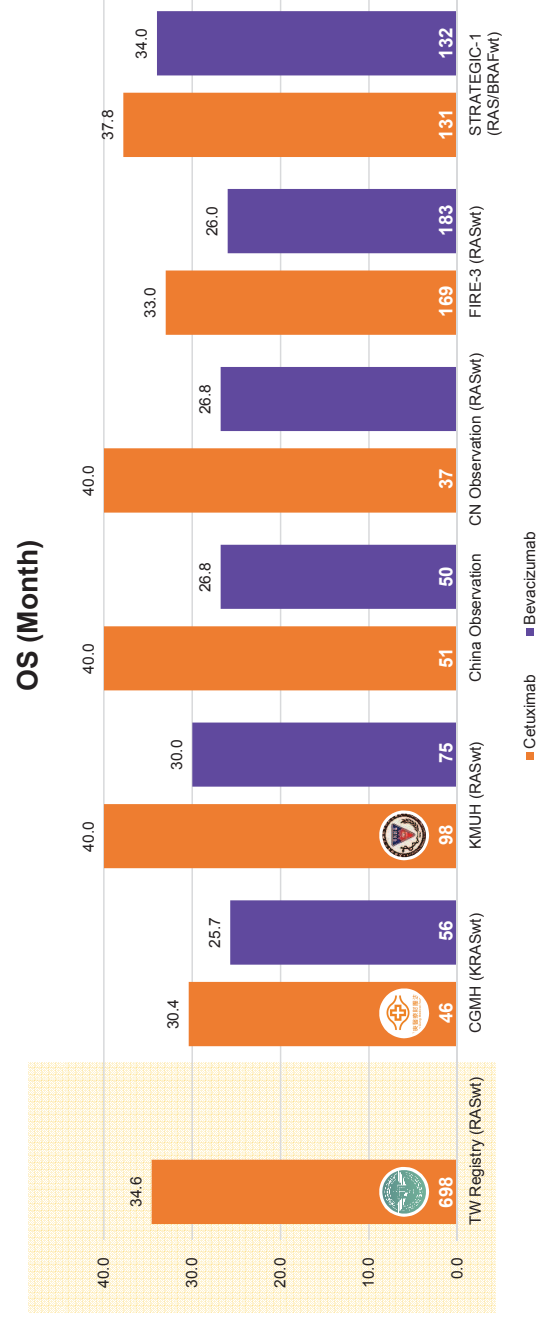
Cancer Med. 2023;12(14):15176-15186

In terms of cytorreduction
the **Conversion surgery rate is 20%+**



Note: This is not a cross-trial comparison, hence data from these trials are not comparable!

Overall, Cetuximab delivers **reliable 30M+ OS** performance in all 1L mCRC settings



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FIRE-3: reserved >= 3 cycles of therapy and had >= 1 post-baseline scan were evaluable for response and constituted the per-protocol population. 1. Taiwan CRC Registry (2022 ESMO abstract). 2. Hsu et al. Cancer Medicine. 2019;00:1-10. 3. Tsai. Oncol Res. 2022 May 4;20(1):47-61. 4. Liu et al. Scientific Reports. (2020) 10:12336. 5. Kasper et al. Clin Colorectal Cancer. 2020 Dec;19(4):236-247.e6. 6. Heinemann et al. Br J Cancer. 2021 Feb;124(3):587-594. 7. Chibaudel et al. 2022 ASCO.

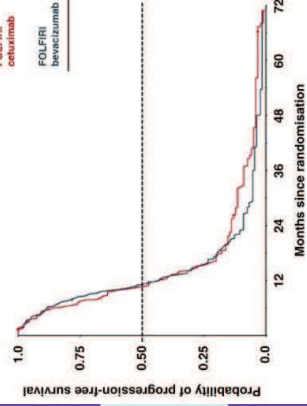
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Efficacy of Erbitux vs Avastin
in RS mCRC



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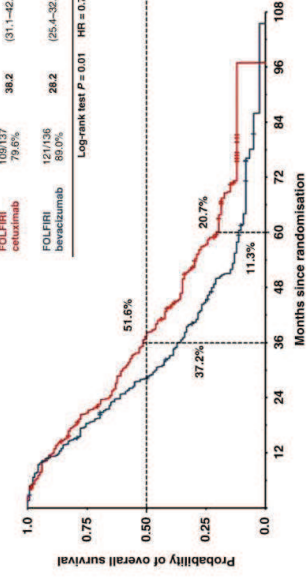
a 左大腸



Events (n/N)	Median PFS	95% CI
FOLFIRI cetuximab 128/137 94.2%	10.6	(10.0–12.2)
FOLFIRI bevacizumab 132/136 97.1%	11.1	(10.2–12.6)

Log-rank test $P = 0.79$ HR = 0.97

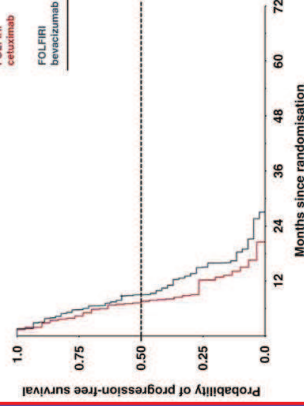
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Events (n/N)	Median OS	95% CI
FOLFIRI cetuximab 109/127 79.6%	38.2	(31.1–42.8)
FOLFIRI bevacizumab 121/136 89.0%	28.2	(25.4–32.4)

Log-rank test $P = 0.01$ HR = 0.71

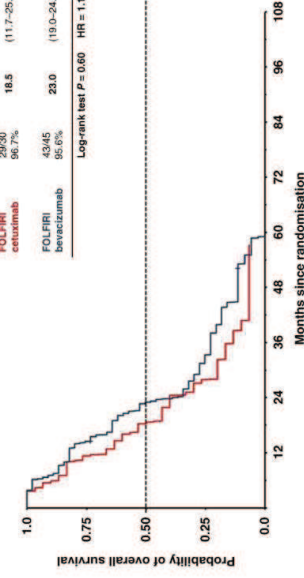
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Events (n/N)	Median PFS	95% CI
FOLFIRI cetuximab 30/30 100%	7.4	(5.8–8.8)
FOLFIRI bevacizumab 44/45 97.8%	9.0	(7.2–12.3)

Log-rank test $P = 0.06$ HR = 1.56

d



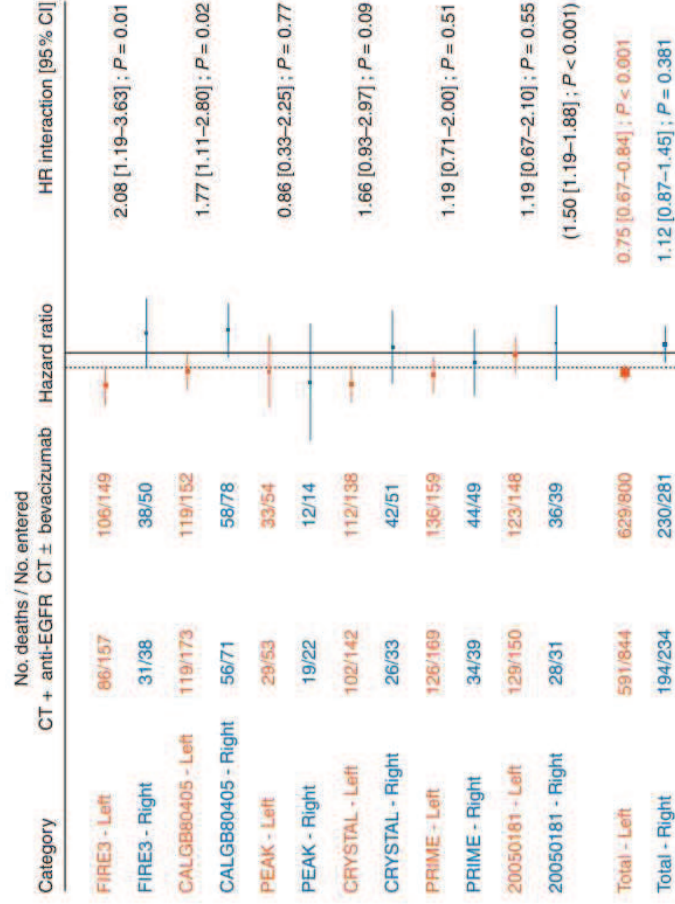
Events (n/N)	Median OS	95% CI
FOLFIRI cetuximab 29/30 96.7%	18.5	(11.7–25.2)
FOLFIRI bevacizumab 43/45 95.6%	23.0	(19.0–24.2)

Log-rank test $P = 0.60$ HR = 1.14

Br J Cancer 124, 587–594 (2021)

A

OS



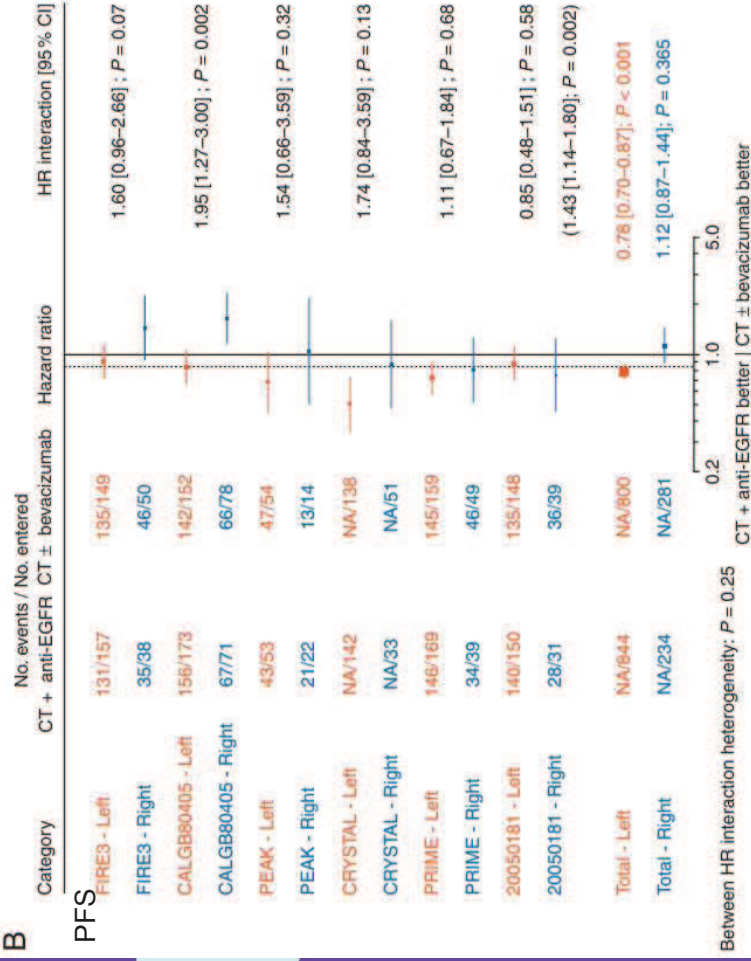
Between HR interaction heterogeneity: $P = 0.47$

CT + anti-EGFR better | CT ± bevacizumab better

Annals of Oncology 28: 1713–1729, 2017

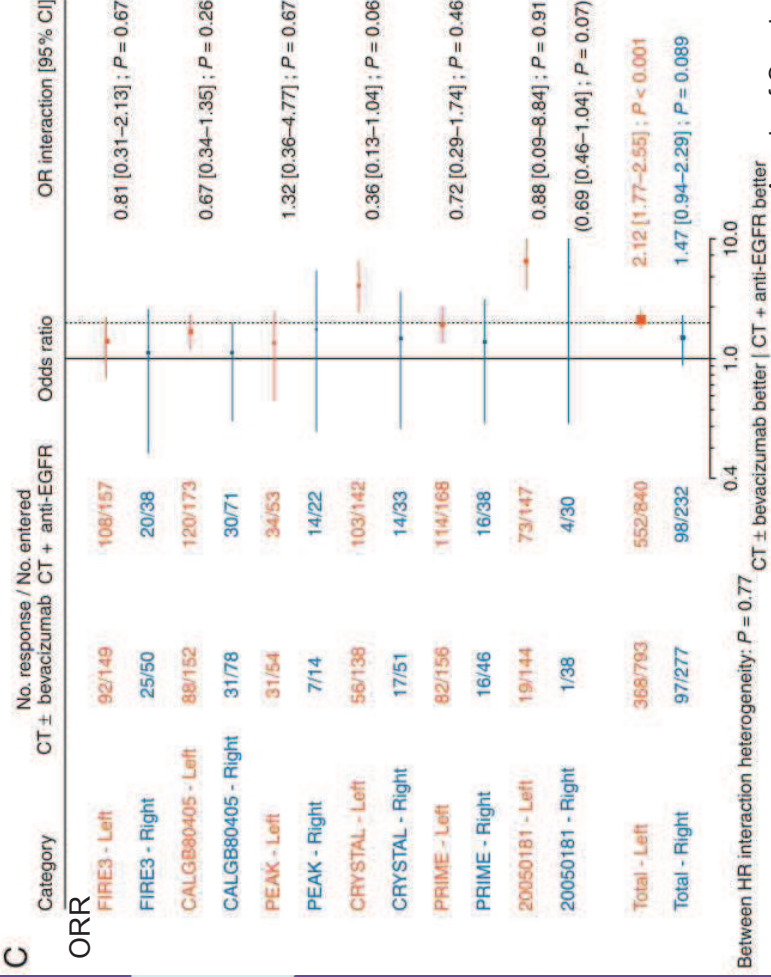
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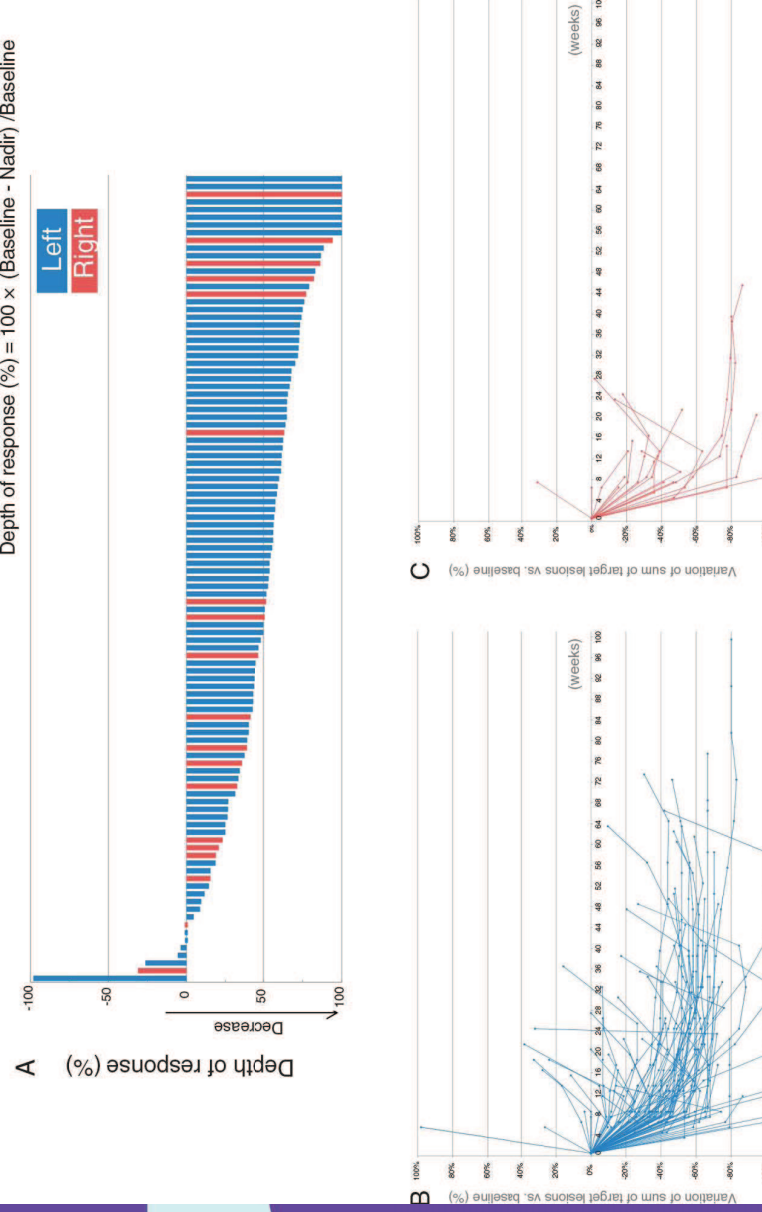


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ORR



Depth of response (%) = 100 x (Baseline - Nadir) / Baseline

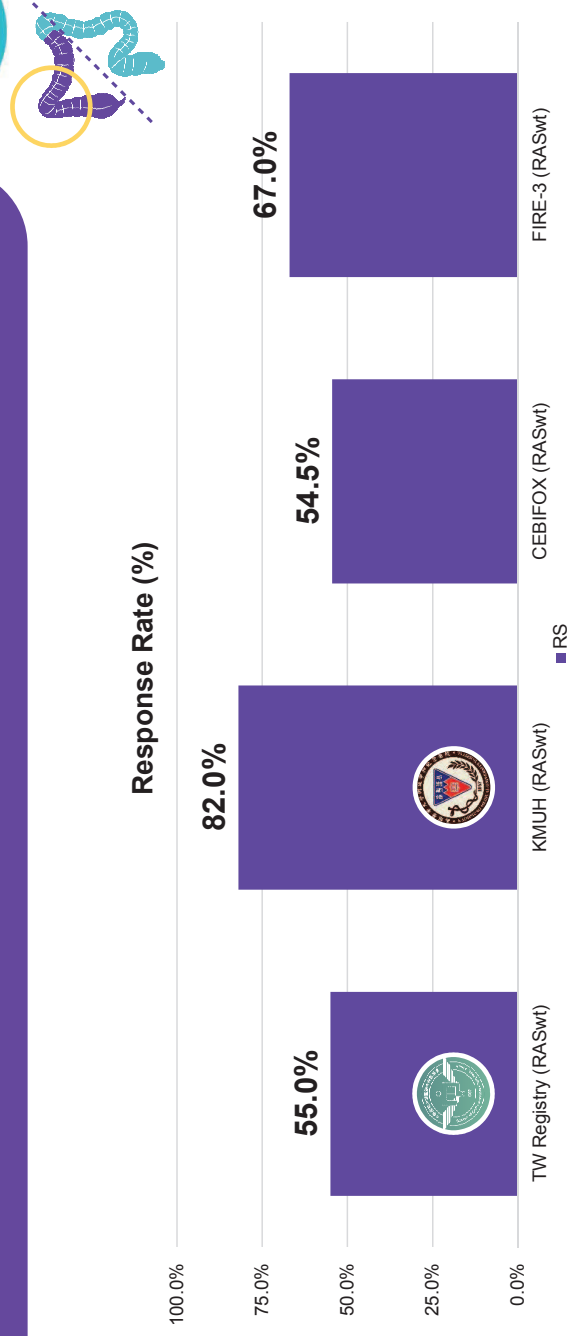


Annals of Oncology, Volume 28, Issue 8, 2030 - 2031

	mPFS (95%CI)			mOS (95%CI)		
	w/o anti-EGFR	w/ anti-EGFR	all	w/o anti-EGFR	w/ anti-EGFR	all
LS bulky (N = 148)	9.0 (8.4-10.5)	8.9 (6.5-10.2)	8.9 (8.1-9.8)	19.4 (15.9-22.5)	17.4 (15.6-24.6)	18.3 (16.6-21.2)*
RS bulky (N = 63)	8.0 (4.3-11.1)	6.1 (5.4-9.4)	7.4 (5.8-9.2)	13.5 (9.8-24.1)	13.0 (8.8-26.1)	13.4 (9.8-20.7)
LS non-bulky (N = 192)	9.2 (8.4-11.3)	8.7 (8.3-10.8)	8.9 (8.4-10.6)	23.0 (20.7-28.3)	22.1 (17.8-27.0)	22.4 (20.3-26.7)*
RS non-bulky (N = 73)	8.1 (6.6-10.3)	7.8 (7.0-10.5)	8.1 (7.1-9.0)	18.6 (13.2-31.4)	18.3 (10.1-25.1)	18.6 (13.8-24.8)

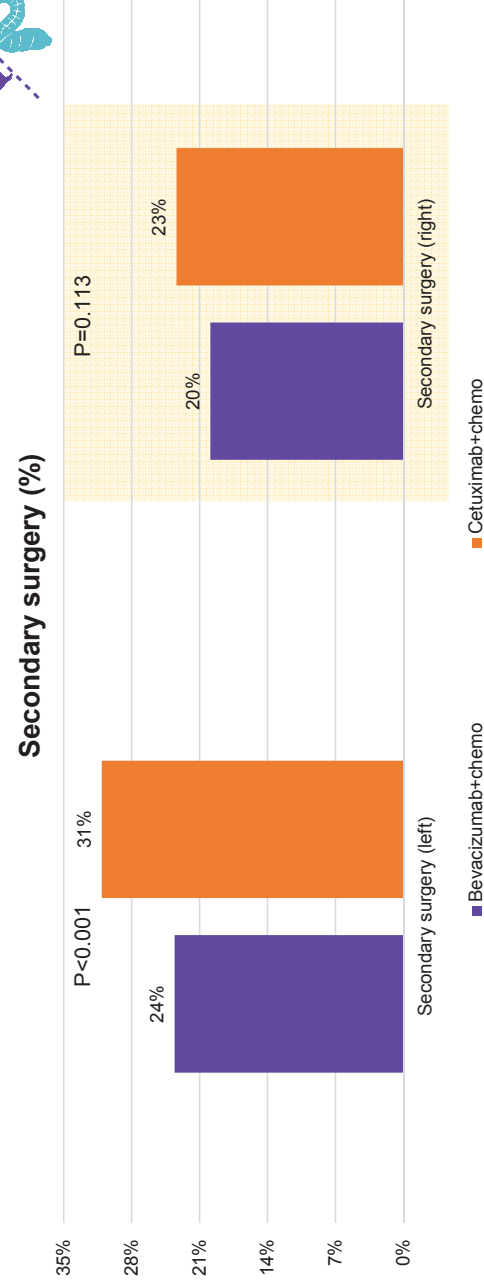
Meeting Abstract: 2021 Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium

Cetuximab also demonstrates 55%~80% ORR in RS RAS wt mCRC



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When cytoreduction or conversion therapy is the goal, anti-EGFR + CT* is an option for patients with RS RAS wt mCRC

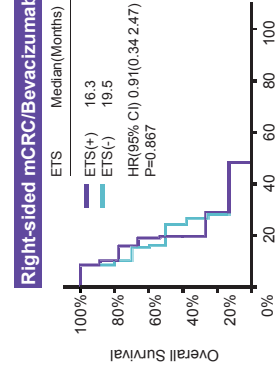
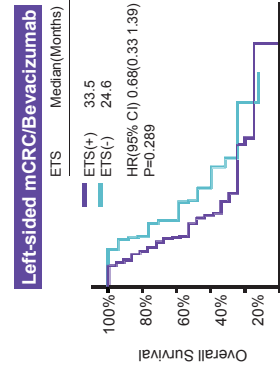
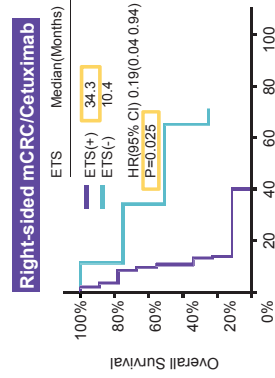
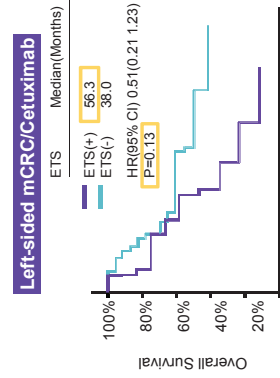


Liang et al., Cancer Medicine 2023 May;00:1-11

Facts in RASwt mCRC:

- 左側大腸: OS/PFS/ORR: Cetuximab都顯著優於Bevacizumab
- 右側大腸: OS/PFS: Bevacizumab近似或略優於Cetuximab (不顯著)
- 右側大腸: OSS: Cetuximab近似或略優於Bevacizumab (不顯著)

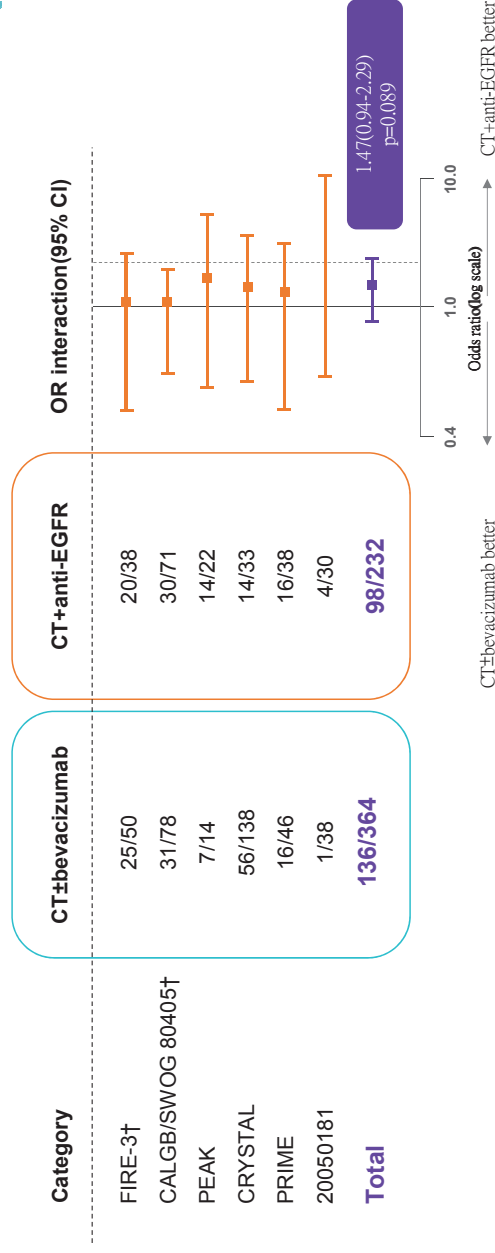
Patients who achieved ETS with cetuximab +CT had a significantly longer OS than those without ETS, regardless tumor sidedness



Retrospective analysis,
110 patients unresectable
mCRC, Japan

Across multiple trials, Erbitux+CT provided numerically greater shrinkage over CT $\pm$ Beva in **RS RAS wt mCRC***

**83% of patients treated with anti-EGFR agents
in these trials received Erbitux®+CT***



1. Arnold D, et al. *Ann Oncol* 2017;28:1713–1729
2. Yoshino T, et al. *Ann Oncol* 2018;29:44–70
3. Curigliano G, et al. *ESMO pocket guidelines: Lower gastrointestinal cancer* 2020
4. Eribix SmPC, May 2019
5. Heilemann V, et al. *Lancet Oncol* 2014;15:1065–1075
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1L anti-EGFR agent + doublet CT are recommended in patients with **RS** RAS wt mCRC when cytoreduction or a **higher response for Conversion therapy** is the goal¹⁻⁴

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Guideline	Recommendation	Notes
2024 ESMO guidelines ¹	Higher response For conversion therapy: Anti-EGFR agent + doublet CT [II, C]	
2022 ASCO guidelines ²		
2023 ESMO pocket guidelines ³	High response for conversion therapy: Anti-EGFR agent + doublet CT	
2023 ESMO Pan-Asian guidelines ⁴	Higher response for conversion therapy: Anti-EGFR agent + doublet CT [II, C]	

Anti-VEGF agent + CT
[II, B ESMO 2024 and ESMO Pan-Asian guidelines^{1,4}; 2023 ESMO pocket guideline³]

The strength of evidence, presented as [level of evidence, grade of recommendation], have been provided where available.

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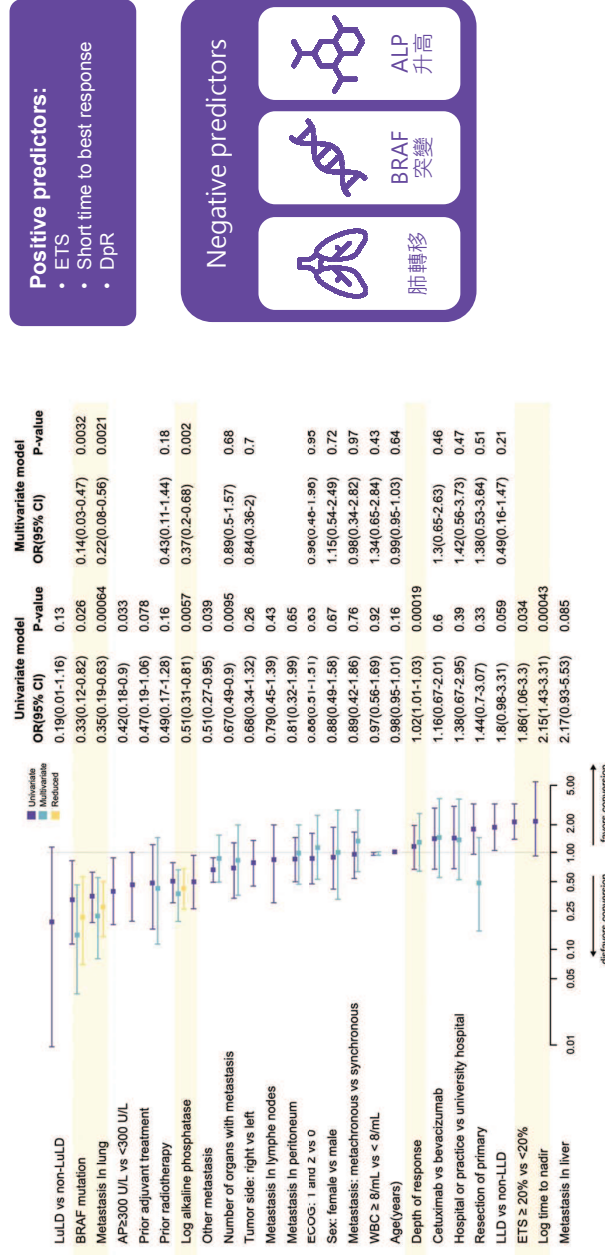
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Factors that influence conversion to resectability

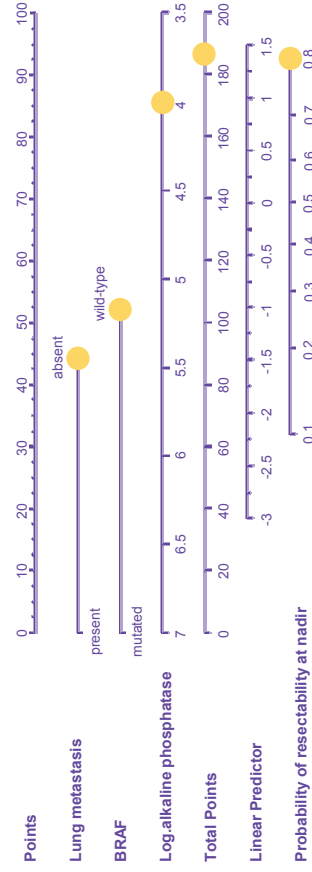


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Nomogram for the prediction of conversion therapy



Negative predictors



肺轉移



BRAF
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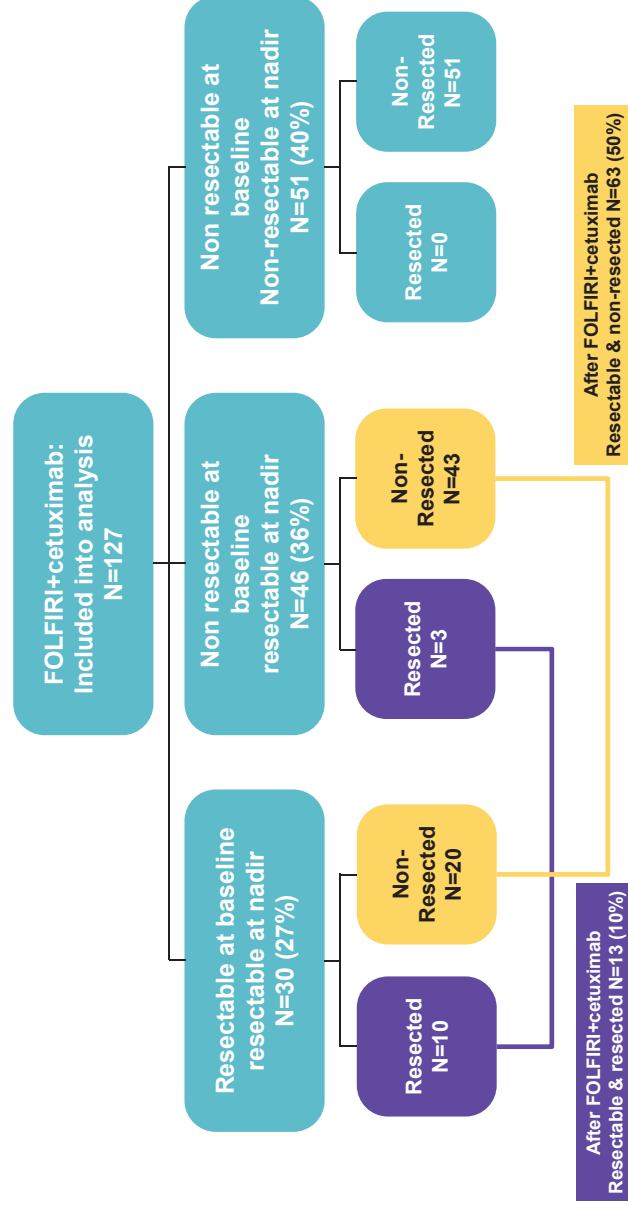


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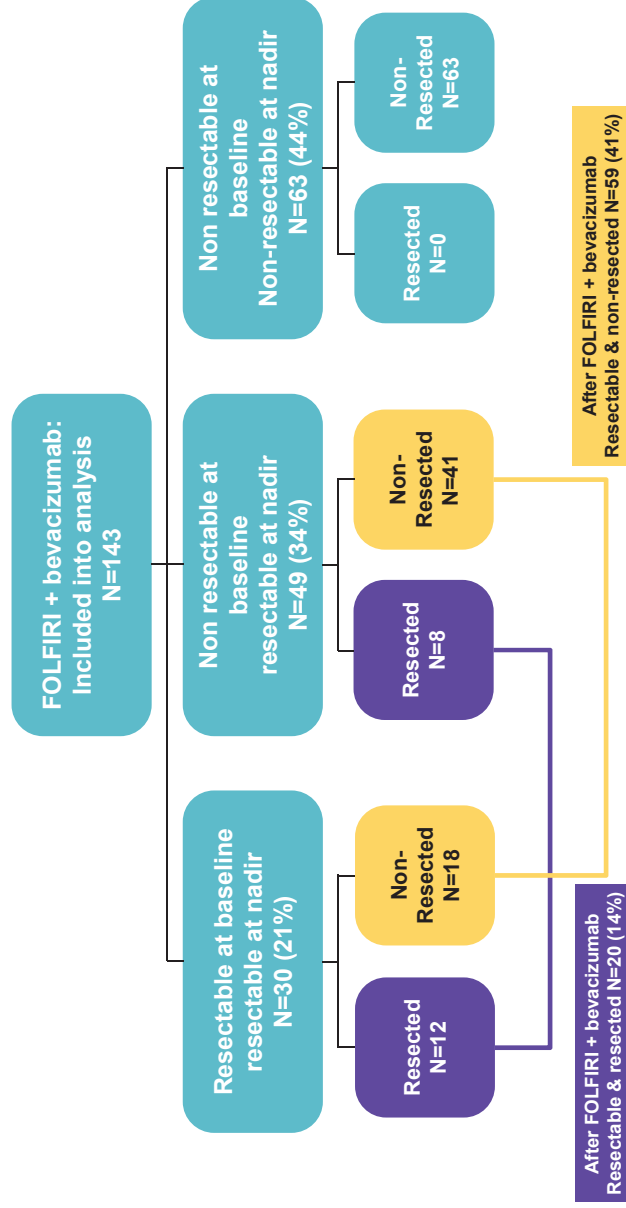
A patient without any lung metastasis, a wild-type BRAF tumor and log transformed baseline alkaline phosphatase of 4 would get a total number of points of $44 + 52 + 86 = 182$.

The intersection of this vertical line with “Probability of resectability at nadir” scale gives the patient probability of resectability at nadir. 80% !

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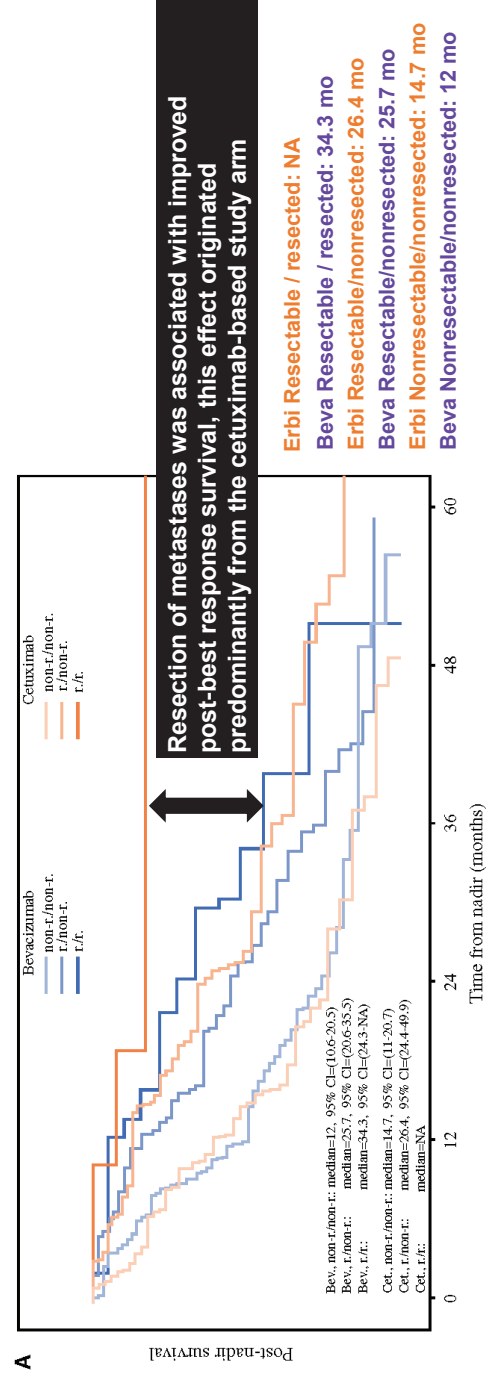


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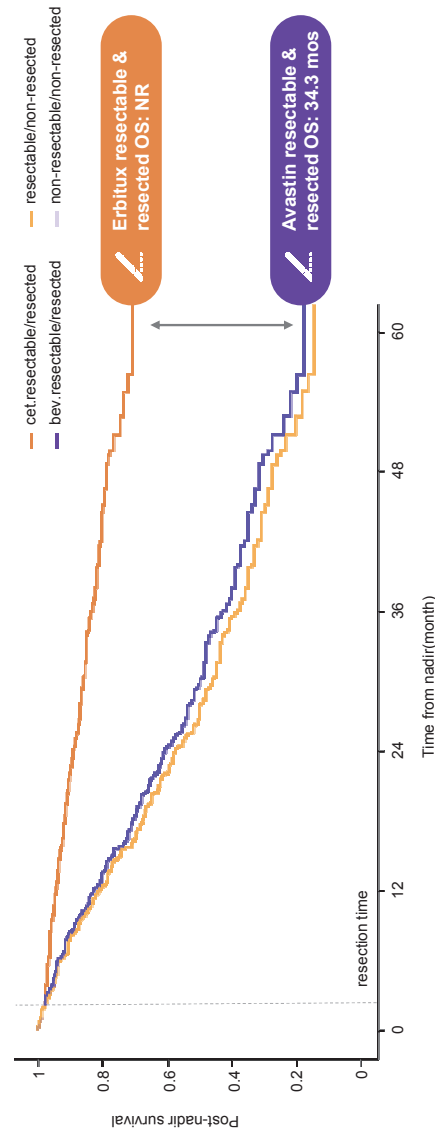
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Factors That Influence Conversion to Resectability and Survival After Resection of Metastases in RAS WT mCRC



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Post-best Response Survival



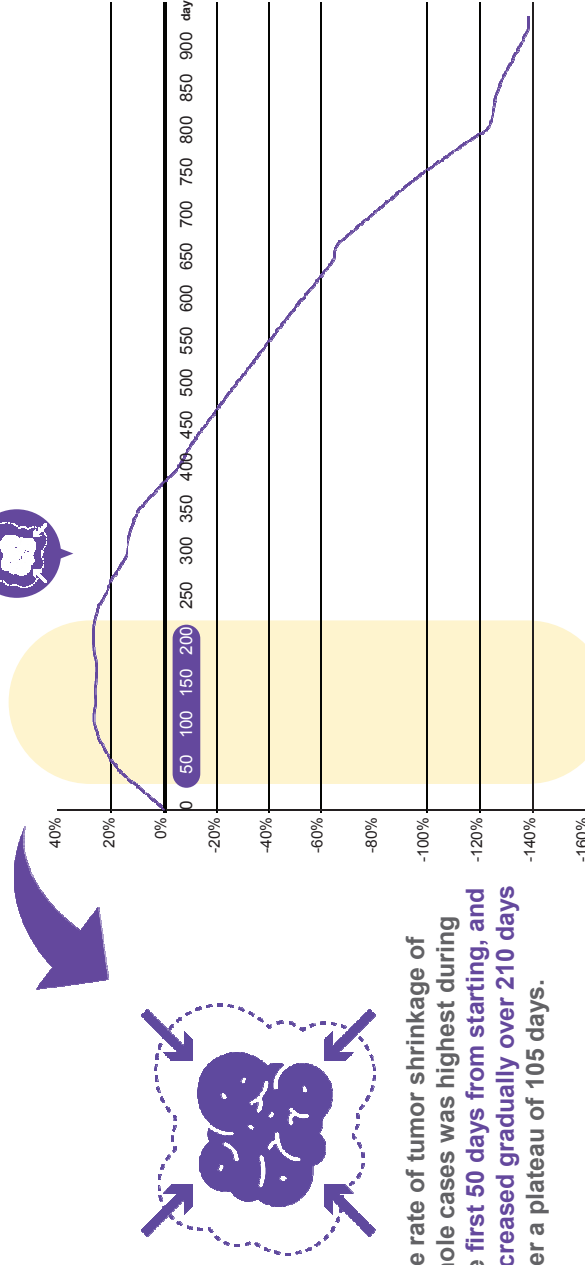
In FIRE-3, resection of metastases was associated with improved post-best response survival. This effect originated predominantly from the cetuximab-based study arm, suggesting that **EGFR-targeted therapy provides a favorable background for the resection of metastases in mCRC**

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When to perform secondary surgery?

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Evaluation of chemotherapeutic effect according to tumor shrinkage rate



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Learning from CELIM Study to Determine the Timing of Hepatectomy

CELIM

- Key eligibility criteria**
- Nonresectable CRC liver metastases
 - Karnofsky performance status ≥ 80 (ie, ECOG performance status 0-1)
 - No previous EGFR-targeting therapy
 - No previous CHT (except adjuvant CHT ≥ 6 months)

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1:1

Neoadjuvant CHT + targeted therapy (eight cycles in 4 months)

FOLFOX + cetuximab
n=56

FOLFOX + cetuximab
n=55

Additional CHT + targeted therapy (Four cycles in 2 months)

Technically nonresectable

Evaluation of resectability (every 2 months)

Technically resectable

36 patients
R0 resected

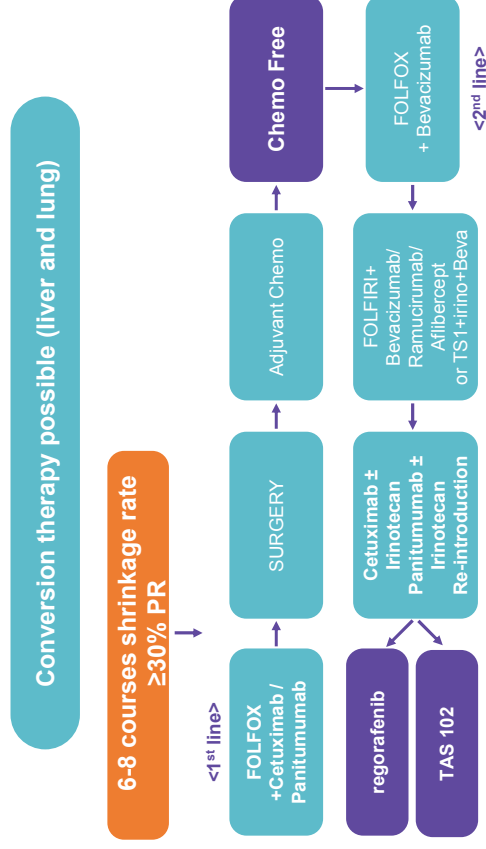
Resection

Postoperative CHT + targeted therapy (six cycles in 3 months)

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The results indicated that the effect of anti-EGFR plus FOLFOX on tumor size is achieved at around 3 months (6-8 cycles)

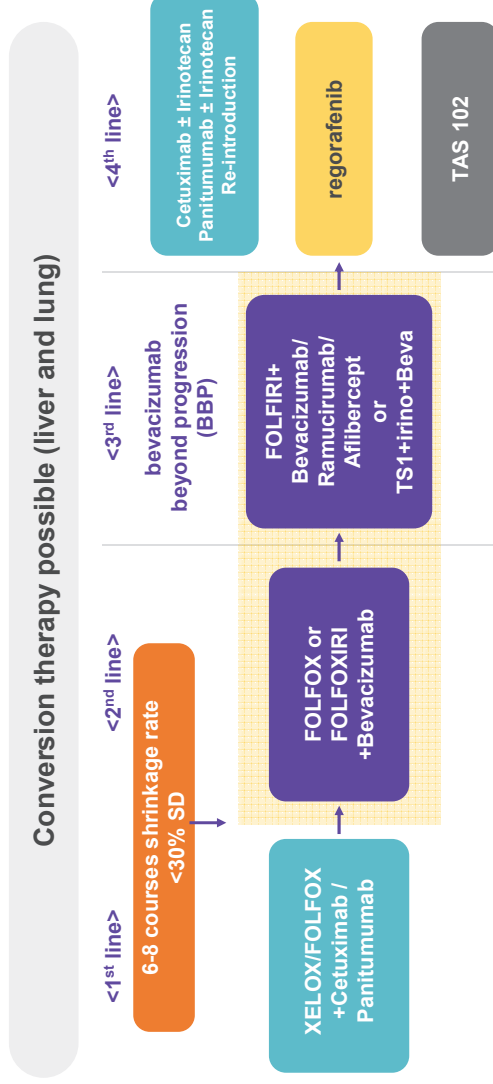
Personalized Medicine for RAS wild-type disease Determining conversion therapy after 6-8 courses of anti-EGFR



- Patients with RAS wild-type disease should undergo 6-8 courses of therapy with anti-EGFR plus FOLFOX.
- If tumor shrinkage shows a PR, these patients should continue on this same therapy.
- It is possible to perform conversion therapy (surgery) in patients with unresectable or borderline resectable liver and lung mCRC

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Personalized Medicine for RAS wild-type disease Determining conversion therapy after 6-8 courses of anti-EGFR



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- If tumor shrinkage shows a SD, patients may be switched to therapy with anti-VEGF plus FOLFOX to provide a maintenance dose of the therapeutic agent

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Taiwan Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (TSCRS) Consensus for Cytorreduction Selection in Metastatic Colorectal Cancer

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Taiwan Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (TSCRS) Consensus for Cytorreduction

- Sequence: systemic treatment → cytorreductive surgery → systemic treatment
- Evaluation of potential cytorreduction patients:
 1. CT plays the most important role
 2. Positron emission tomography(PET) is also used to determine potential for cytorreduction
 3. Base on the response evaluation criteria in solid tumors(RECIST), patients achieving partial response(PR) or complete response(CR)
 4. Tumor shrinking and ability to conduct surgery
 5. Tumor markers: CEA drop
 6. Other factors, such as trends in performance status and symptoms, and patient's condition, such as weight and appetite
- Based on Taiwan reimbursed guideline, it is recommended to evaluate tumor response after 3 months(six cycles of targeted therapy)
- Treatment of choice after R0 resection: Adjuvant treatment is needed, but it depends upon patient's reimbursed application status, effectiveness of neoadjuvant therapy, and patient's acceptance
- Treatment for a recurrence after R0 resection: It is based on time to recurrence and location of recurrence

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Taiwan Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (TSCRS) Consensus Recommended criteria for hepatic resection



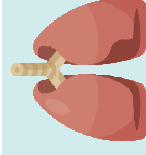
1. 30% future liver remnant (FLR) or remnant “liver:body weight” ratio should be > 0.5
2. R0 resections of liver metastases must be performed independently of margin width
3. In tumors with large size or tumors close to blood vessel/s, neoadjuvant chemotherapy is recommended initially for downsizing
4. Other criteria are absence of cirrhosis (Child B), hepatitis B virus (HBV), hepatitis C virus (HCV), fatty liver, or accumulated chemotoxicity. An indocyanine clearance study is recommended to evaluate liver function
5. Multidisciplinary team discussion is essential for the liver resection decision-making

Preoperative evaluation

Shift in criteria from
“what will be removed” to “what will remain.”

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Taiwan Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (TSCRS) Consensus Recommended criteria for defining lung potential resectable patient



1. Number of metastases should be between two and three
2. Metastases should be located centrally
3. Metastases should have same tissue histopathology as colorectal primary (except if it is single metastasis; then resection can be done without determining histopathology type)
4. Enough safe margin and good future lung remnant should be possible
5. Speed of growth of tumor, measured as “doubling time after chemotherapy progression.”
6. Patient should be surgically fit
7. Patient should present adequate pulmonary function and absence of lung comorbidities such as asthma or COPD
8. Multidisciplinary team discussion is essential for the lung resection decision-making

Speed of growth of tumor is critical

“doubling time after chemotherapy progression.” If the
progression is fast, tumor is not considered resectable.

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Take home message



- OS is better with secondary surgery, Resectable / resected > Resectable / **Not**-resected
- For sake of tumor shrinkage, anti-EGFR + chemotherapy **can** be used in right side RAS/BRAFwt mCRC
- **Similar PFS/OS but improved ORR**
- Consider not using it in R't side **bulky (mean > 3.5cm) disease**
- Reevaluate every **2-3 month** (maximal tumor shrinkage in 200days) for resectability