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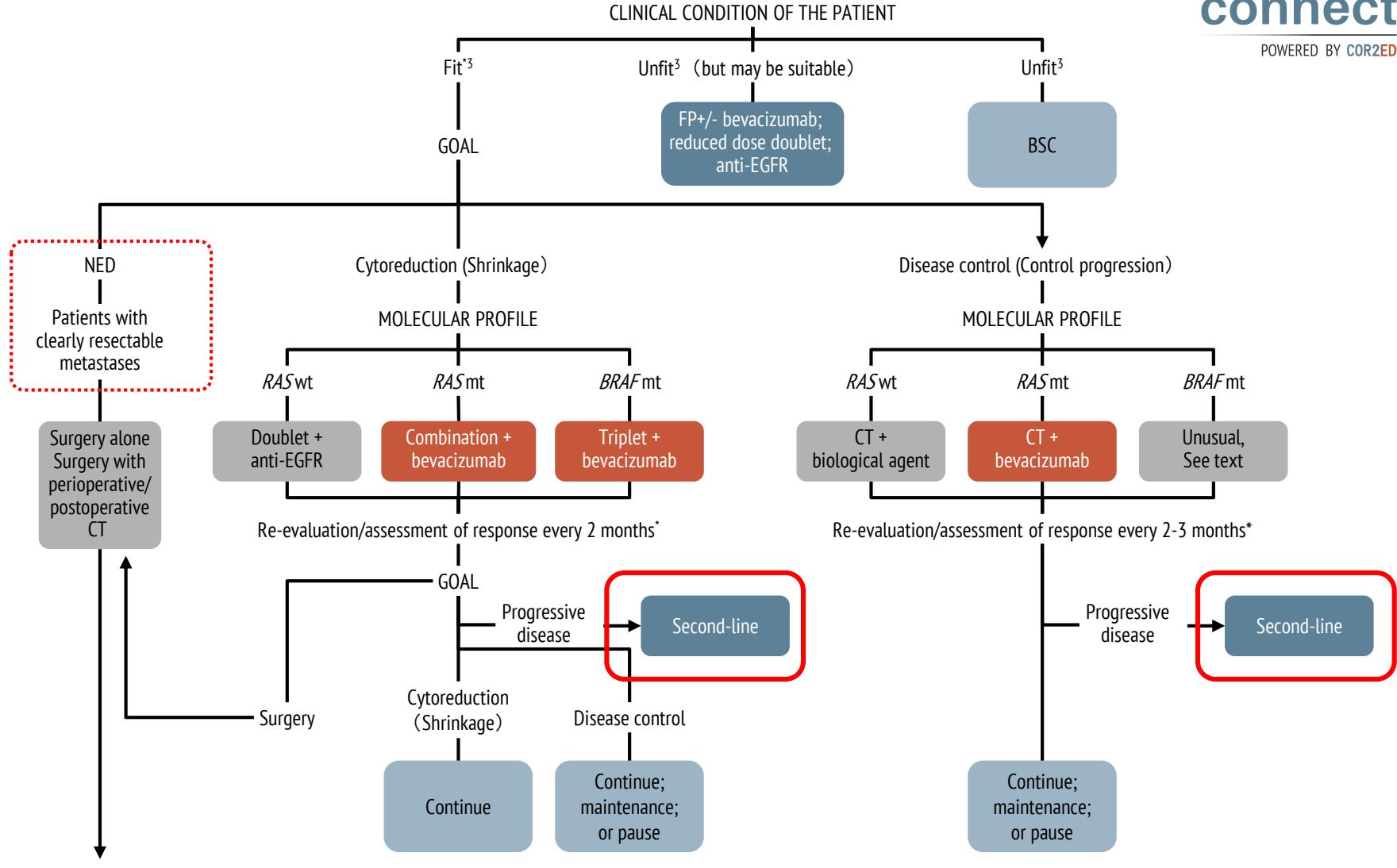
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# **WHICH TARGETED DRUG (BEV, RAM, AFL, OR ANTI-EGFR?) IS BETTER FOR RAS-WT PATIENTS IN SECOND LINE TREATMENT AFTER BEV THERAPY?**

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# ESMO CONSENSUS GUIDELINES



# SECOND-LINE COMBINATIONS WITH TARGETED AGENTS: ESMO

- Patients who are bevacizumab naïve should be considered for treatment with an antiangiogenic (bevacizumab or afibbercept) second line
- Patients who received bevacizumab first line should be considered for treatment with:
  - Bevacizumab post-continuation strategy
  - Afibbercept or ramucirumab (in combination with FOLFIRI) when treated in first line with oxaliplatin
  - EGFR antibodies in combination with FOLFIRI/irinotecan for patients with RAS wild-type (*BRAF* wild-type) disease
- Relative benefit of EGFR antibodies is similar in later lines compared with second line

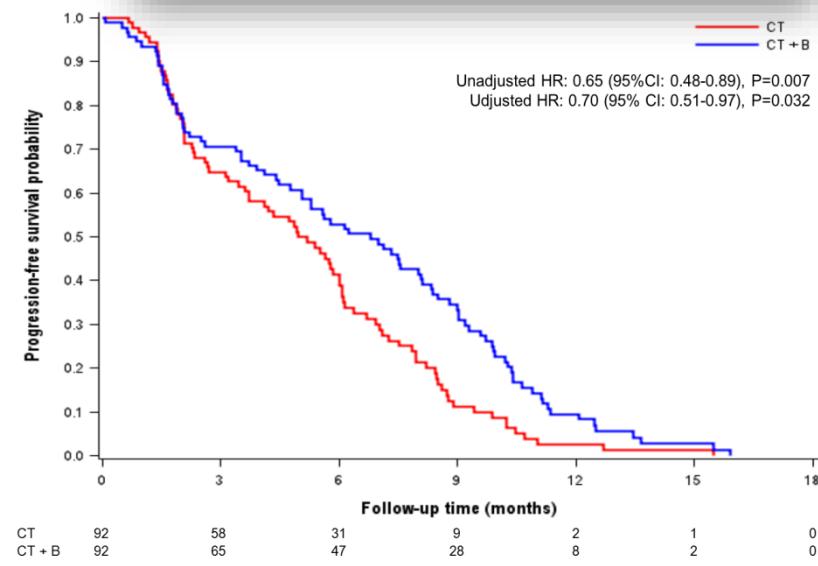
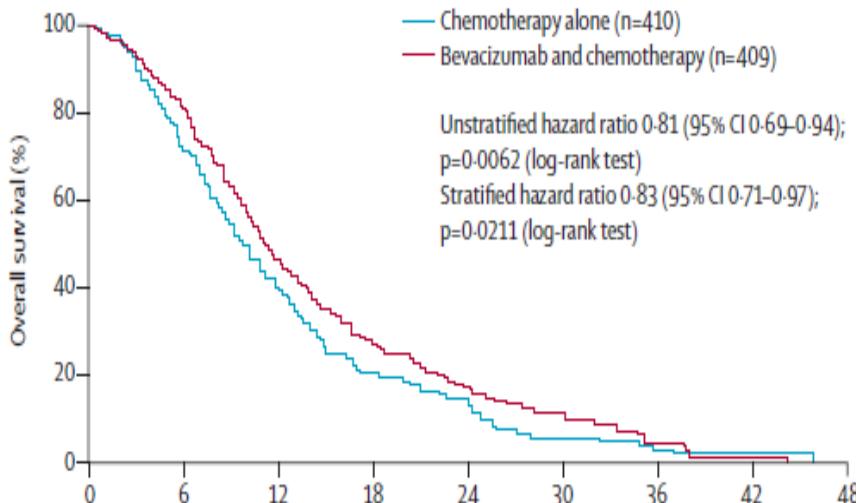
# **CLINICAL QUESTION:**

## **WHICH ANTI-ANGIOGENIC COMPOUND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR SECOND-LINE TREATMENT?**

# BEVACIZUMAB BEYOND PROGRESSION (BBP)

## Continuation of bevacizumab after first progression in metastatic colorectal cancer (ML18147): a randomised phase 3 trial

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# BBP IS NOT FOR “ALL” PATIENTS

## MAIN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

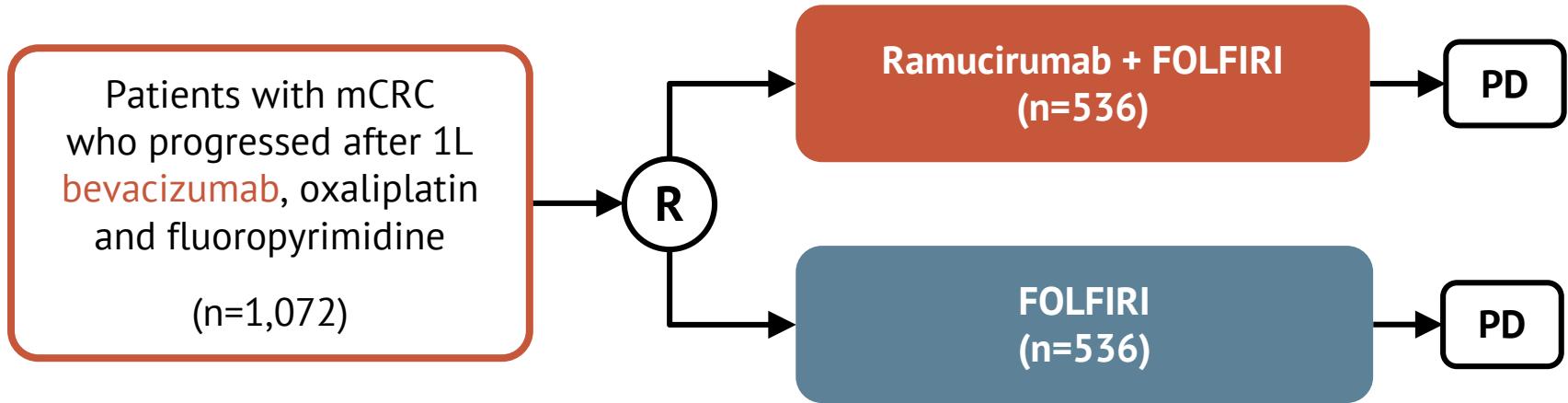
### Inclusion

- Patients ≥18 years with histologically confirmed diagnosis of mCRC
- Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) PS 0–2
- PD (≥1 measurable lesion according to RECIST v1 assessed by investigator, documented by CT or MRI), ≤4 weeks prior to start of study treatment
- Previously treated with BEV plus standard first-line CT, not candidates for primary metastasectomy

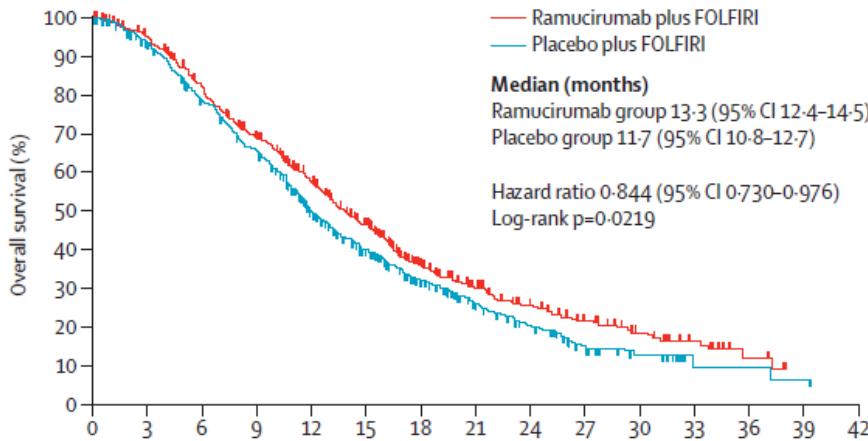
### Exclusion

- Diagnosis of PD >3 months after last BEV administration
- First-line patients with PFS in first line of <3 months
- Patients receiving <3 consecutive months of BEV in first-line

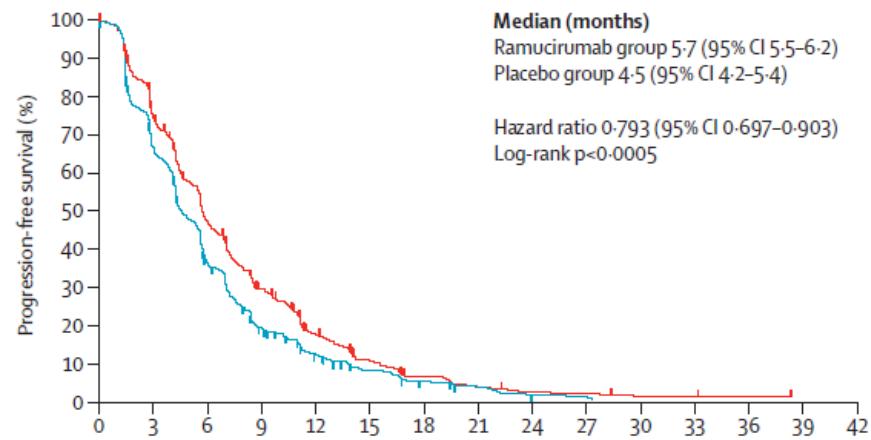
# RAISE TRIAL (AFTER 1<sup>ST</sup>-LINE BEV)



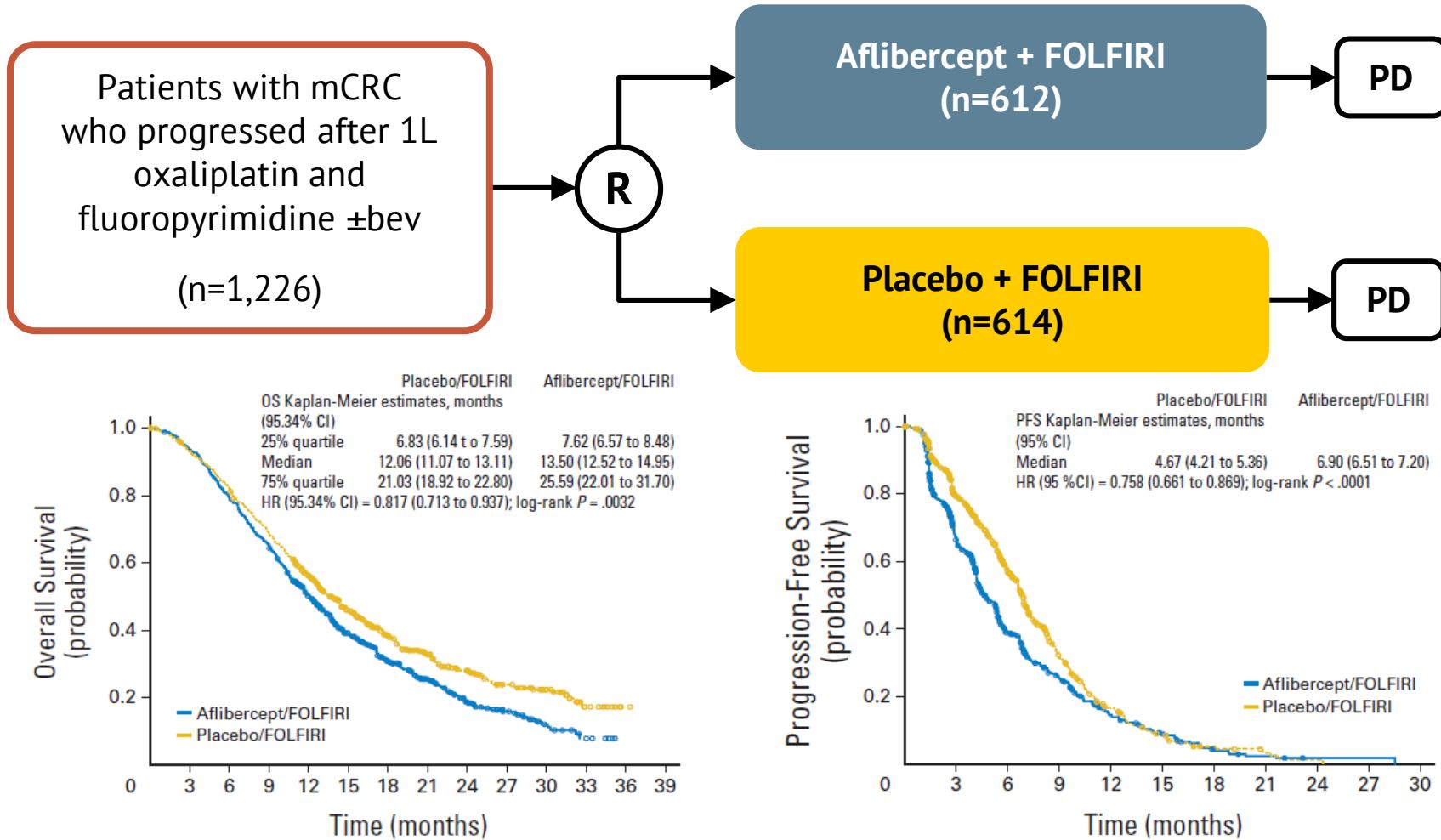
## Primary endpoint: OS



## Secondary endpoint: PFS



# VELOUR TRIAL



# BEV VS. RAM VS. AFL IN SECOND LINE

Trial	ECOG 3200 n=829 <bev-naïve>	TML18147 n=820 <bev-progressors>	TML18147- subanalysis- n=343 <Oxa-bev progressors>	RAISE n=1072 <Oxa-bev progressors>	VELOUR n=373 <Oxa-bev progressors>
Regimen	FOLFOX-bev vs. FOLFOX	CT-bev vs. CT	FOLFIRI-bev vs. FOLFIRI	FOLFIRI-ram vs. FOLFIRI	FOLFIRI-AFL vs. FOLFIRI
Response rate	22.7% vs. 8.6%	5% vs. 3%	5.5% vs. 2.9%	13.4% vs. 12.5%	11.7% vs. 8.4%
Progression-free survival	7.3m vs. 4.7m HR 0.61	5.7m vs. 4.1m HR 0.68 p<0.0001	6.2m vs. 4.2m	5.7m vs. 4.5m HR 0.79 p=0.0005	6.7m vs. 3.9m HR 0.66
Overall survival	12.9m vs. 10.8m HR 0.75	11.2m vs. 9.8m HR 0.81 p=0.0062	12m vs. 10m	13.3m vs. 11.7m HR 0.84 p=0.022	12.5m vs. 11.7m HR 0.86

bev, bevacizumab; CT, 5-FU+irinotecan/oxaliplatin; ram, ramucirumab; aflib, afilbercept

Bennouna et al. Lancet Oncol 2013;14:29–37; Kubicka et al. ASCO-GI 2014 #520  
Tabernero et al. Lancet Oncol 2015;16:499–508; Tabernero et al. ESMO 2011

# SAFETY SUMMARY, GRADE 3–4

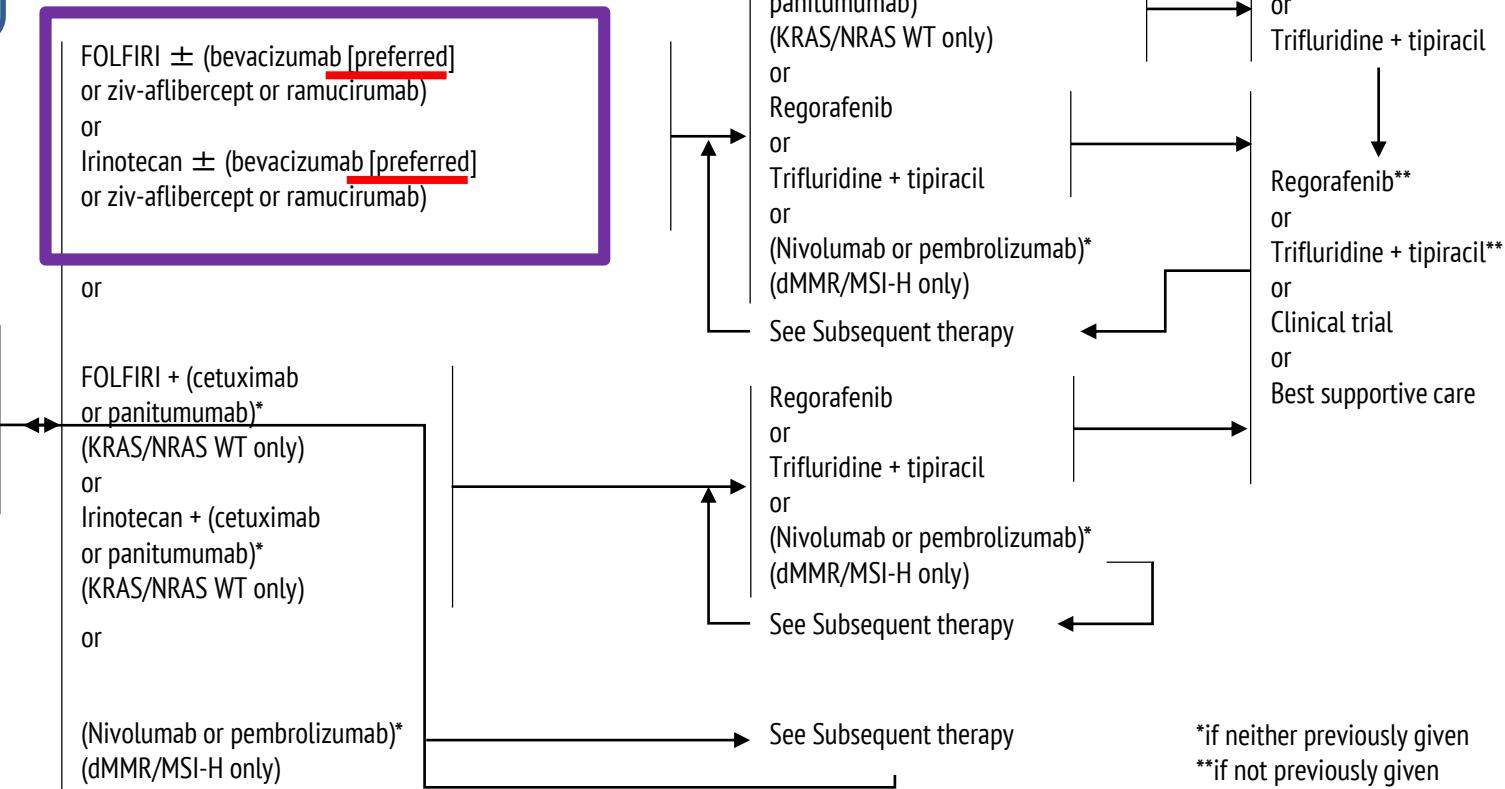
	ML18147		ML Sub-group		RAISE		VELOUR	
Grade >3 (%)	Chemo n=409	Chemo+Bev n=401	FOLFIRI n=174	FOLFIRI+Bev n=169	FOLFIRI+PL n=528	FOLFIRI+RAM n=529	FOLFIRI+PL n=605	FOLFIRI+AFL n=611
Neutropenia	13	16	NR	NR	23.3	38.4	29.5	36.7
Fatigue	2	3	NR	NR	7.8	11.5	NR	NR
Diarrhea	8	10	NR	NR	9.7	10.8	7.8	19.3
Mucositis	1	3	NR	NR	2.3	3.8	5.0	13.8
Abdominal pain	3	4	NR	NR	3.6	3.4	3.3	5.4
Thrombocytopenia	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.8	3.0	1.6	3.4
Vomiting	3	3	NR	NR	2.5	2.8	3.5	2.8
Nausea	3	3	NR	NR	2.7	2.5	3.0	1.8
Anorexia	2	1	NR	NR	1.9	2.5	1.9	3.4
Anemia	NR	NR	NR	NR	3.6	1.5	4.3	3.8
Constipation	NR	NR	NR	NR	1.5	0.9	1.0	0.8
Hypertension	1	2	0	1	2.8	10.8	1.5	19.3
Bleeding	<1	2	<1	3	1.7	2.5	1.7	3.0
Proteinuria	-*	<1*	0	<1	0.2	3.0	1.2	7.8
VTE	3	5	5	7	2.1	4.2	6.2	7.8
ATE	1	<1	0	<1	1.1	0.8	0.5	1.8
GI perforation	<1	2	<1	2	0.6	1.7	0.4	0.5

Prior  
oxaliplatin-based  
chemo

## CONTINUUM OF CARE – CHEMOTHERAPY FOR ADVANCED OR METASTATIC DISEASE: (PAGE 2 of 10)

### Subsequent Therapy

Previous  
Oxaliplatin-  
based therapy  
without  
irinotecan



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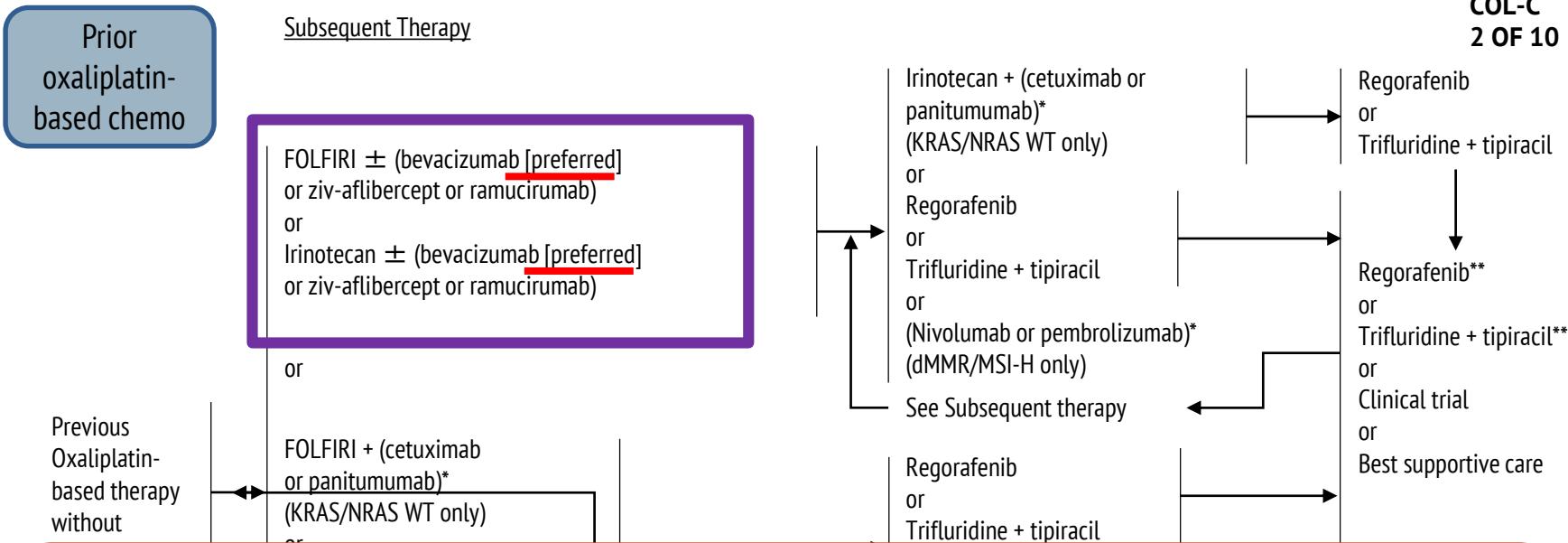
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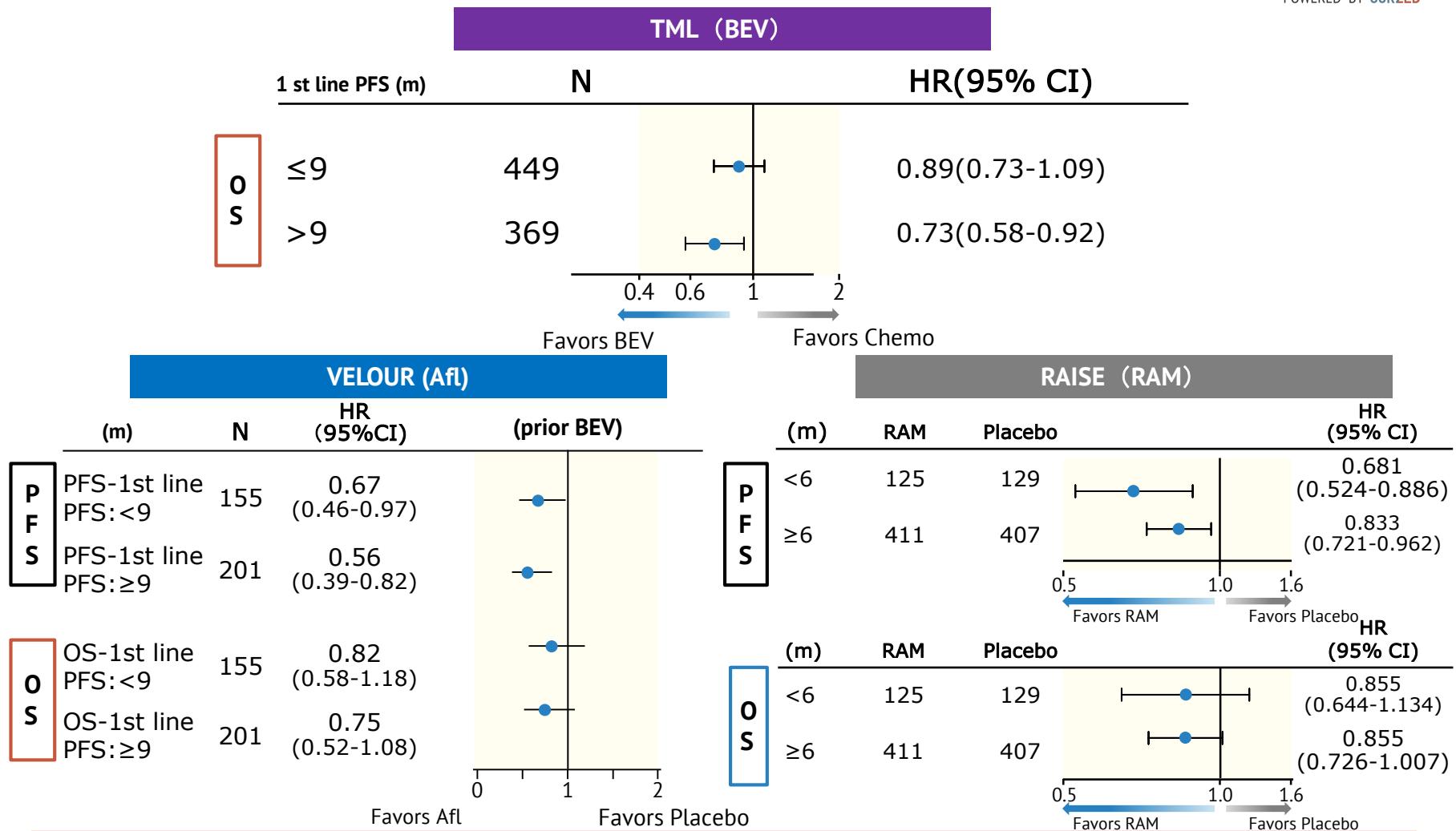
“Bevacizumab is the preferred anti-angiogenic agent based on toxicity and/or cost.”

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# SUB-ANALYSIS BY DURATION OF 1<sup>ST</sup> LINE: WHO ARE “FAST PROGRESSORS”?



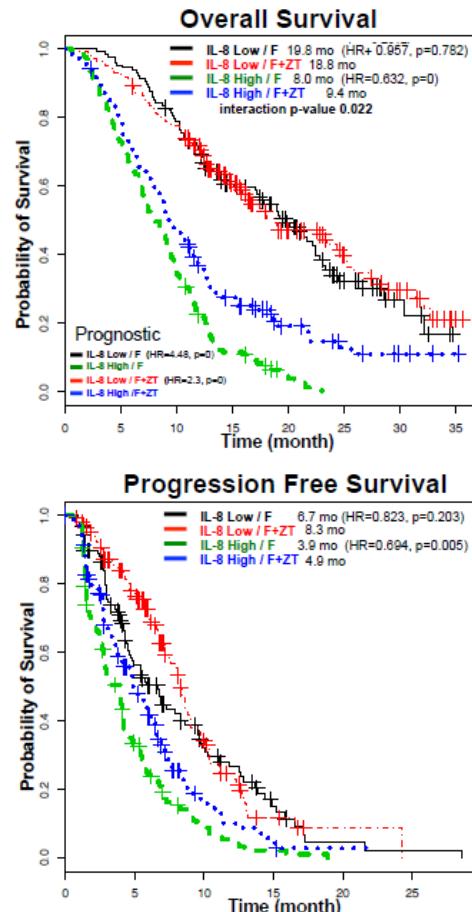
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# POTENTIAL BIOMARKERS IDENTIFIED FROM THE VELOUR STUDY

**IL-8** may be a predictive & prognostic biomarker



## Potentially Predictive Markers (HR <0.7, interaction p<0.01)

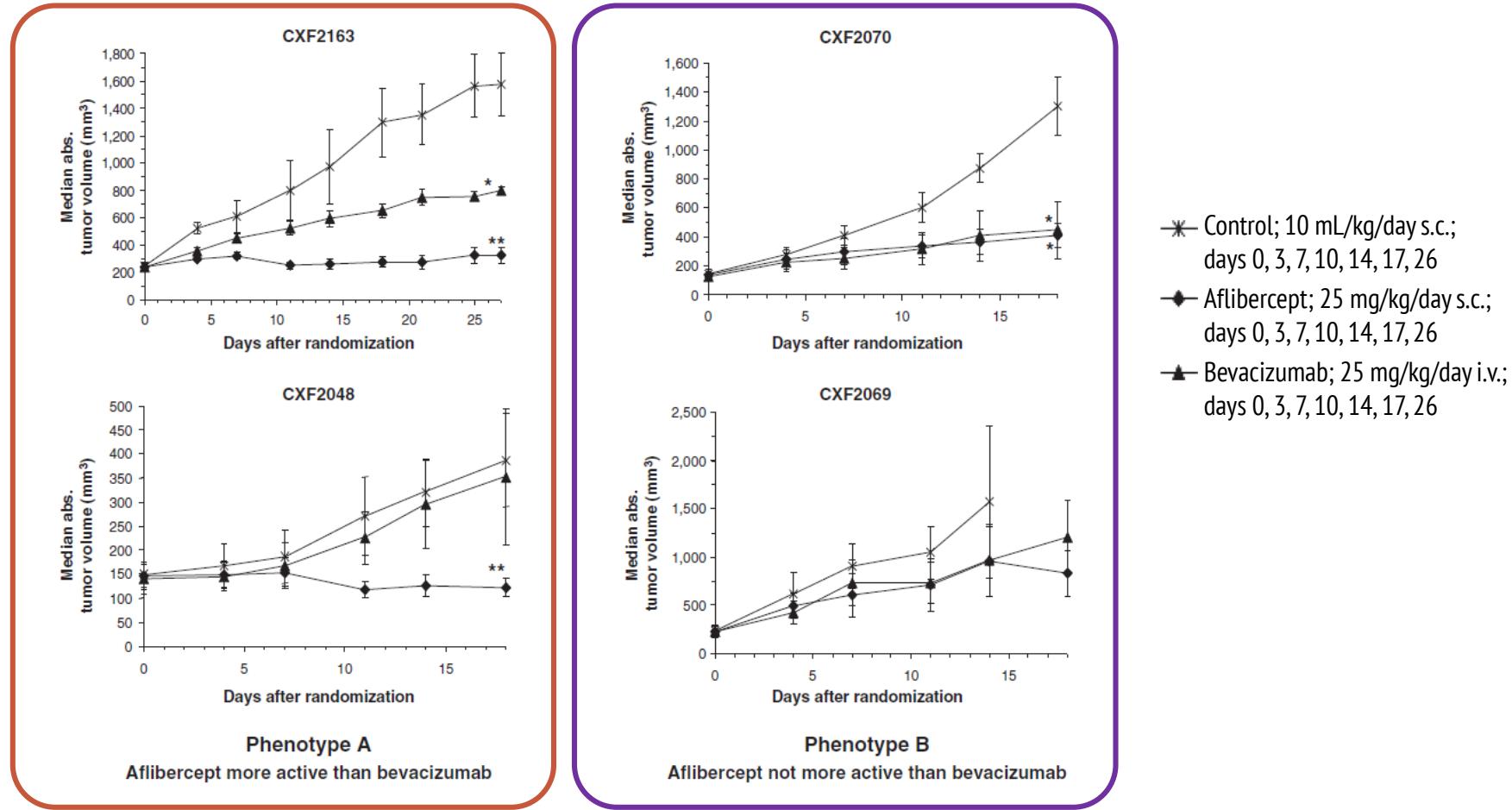
Biomarker	Median	High or Low biomarker group	Hazard Ratio (ZT vs control)	p-value*	Interaction p-value
IL-8	20 pg/ml	High	0.63	0.0004	0.022
MIF	0.3 ng/ml	High	0.67	0.003	0.087
VEGF	142 pg/ml	High	0.64	0.0013	0.056
VEGFR2	4.2 pg/ml	High	0.69	0.0082	0.157^
VEGFR3	35 ng/ml	High	0.69	0.0061	0.177^
SPD	7.7 ng/ml	Low	0.60	0.0003	0.003

## Potentially Prognostic Markers (HR >1, p<0.01 on both control and ZT arms)

Biomarker	Median	Control treated		ZALTRAP treated	
		Hazard Ratio (High vs Low)	p-value	Hazard Ratio (High vs Low)	p-value
IL-8	20 pg/ml	4.481	<0.001	2.3189	<0.001
CRP	9.4 µg/ml	2.7732	<0.001	2.5535	<0.001
NRP1	160 ng/ml	2.0324	<0.001	2.104	<0.001
ANG2	3.9 ng/ml	1.5447	0.002	1.8293	<0.001

\*Logrank p-values were adjusted for FDR; ^VEGF-R2 and VEGF-R3 fall below levels of significance for interaction

# TUMOR GROWTH INHIBITION INDUCED BY AFLIBERCEPT OCCURRED MORE FREQUENTLY IN PDX MODELS COMPARED WITH BEVACIZUMAB



# WHICH ANTI-VEGF DRUG IS BETTER?

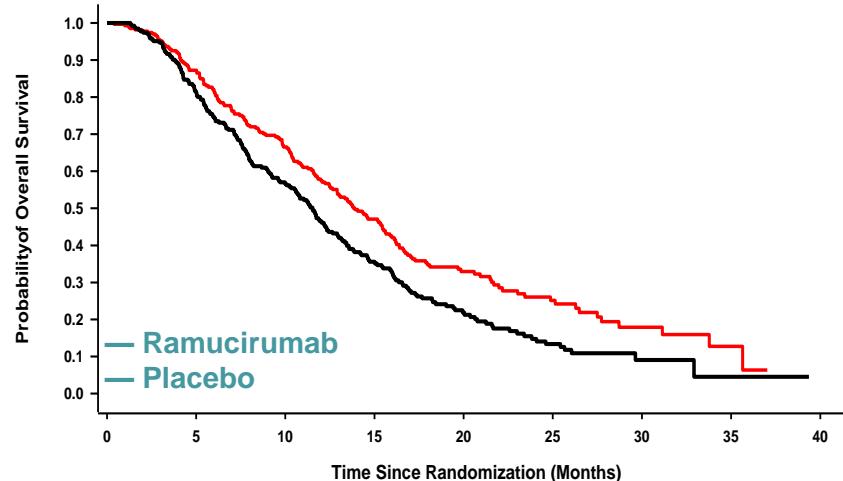
- 4 trials have reported a gain in OS by the addition of an antiangiogenic compound, irrespective of the various first-line regimens
- Patients who are fast progressors on first-line bevacizumab containing regimens should be considered for treatment with afibbercept or ramucirumab

**NEED CERTAIN BIOMARKERS TO USE MORE PROPER ANTI-VEGF DRUG  
FOR SECOND-LINE TREATMENT AFTER BEVACIZUMAB**

# ANALYSIS OF PLASMA VEGF-D EXPRESSION FOR RAMUCIRUMAB EFFICACY IN THE RAISE TRIAL

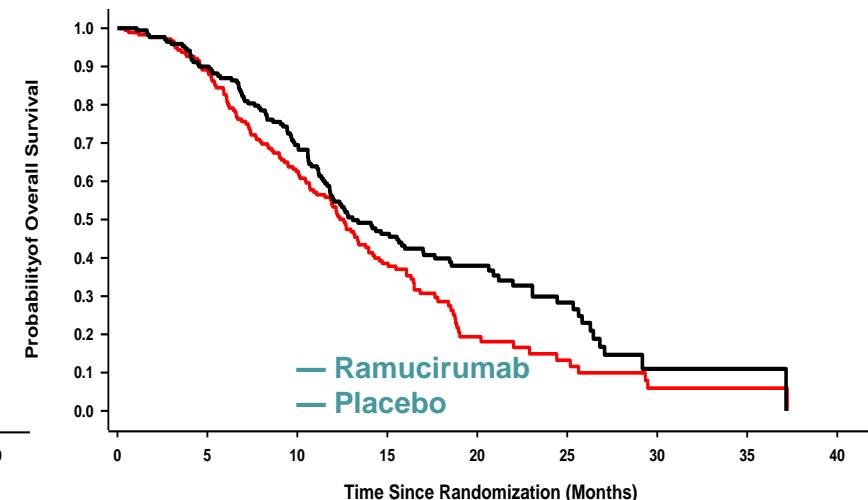
## High VEGF-D ( $\geq 115$ pg/mL)

	Ramucirumab + FOLFIRI (n=270)	Placebo + FOLFIRI (n=266)
Median, months (95% CI)	13.9 (12.5-15.6)	11.5 (10.1-12.4)
$\Delta$	2.4 month	
HR (95% CI)	0.73 (0.60-0.89)	
P-value (likelihood ratio)	0.0022	



## Low VEGF-D ( $< 115$ pg/mL)

	Ramucirumab + FOLFIRI (n=176)	Placebo + FOLFIRI (n=172)
Median, months (95% CI)	12.6 (10.7-14.0)	13.1 (11.8-17.0)
$\Delta$	-0.5 month	
HR (95% CI)	1.32 (1.02-1.70)	
P-value (likelihood ratio)	0.0344	

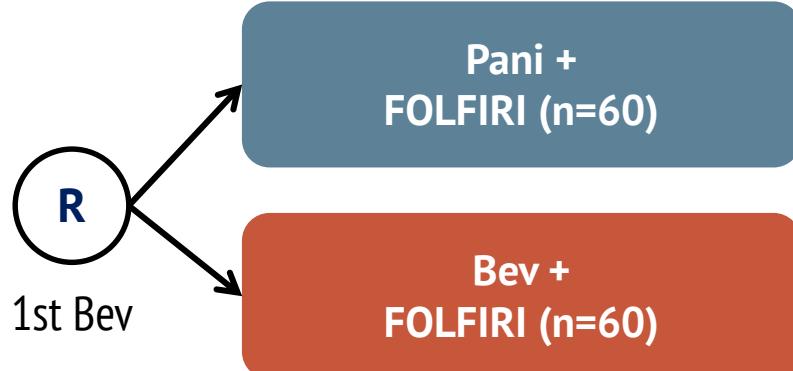


# RANDOMIZED P-II TRIALS TO EVALUATE BEVACIZUMAB VS. ANTI-EGFR MAB

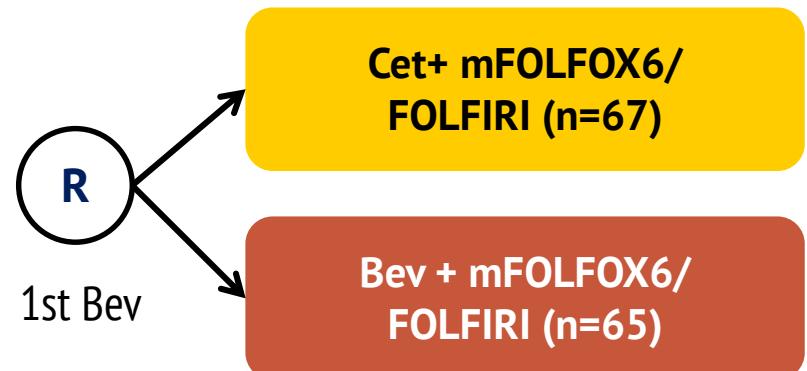
## SPIRITT (n=182)



## WJOG6210G (n=120)

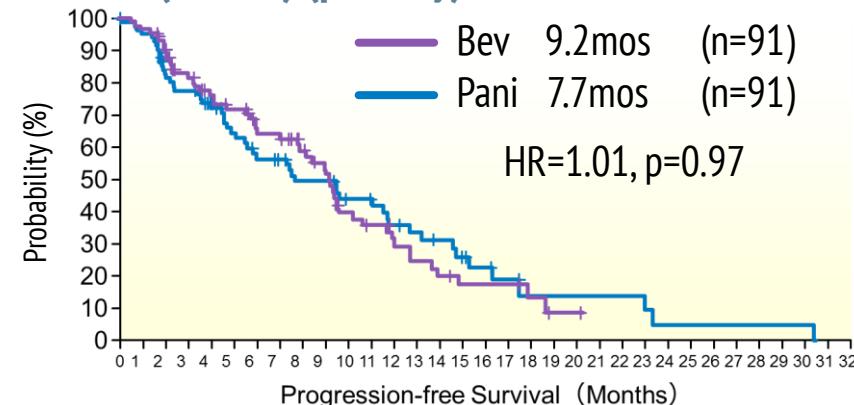


## PRODIGE18 (n=133)



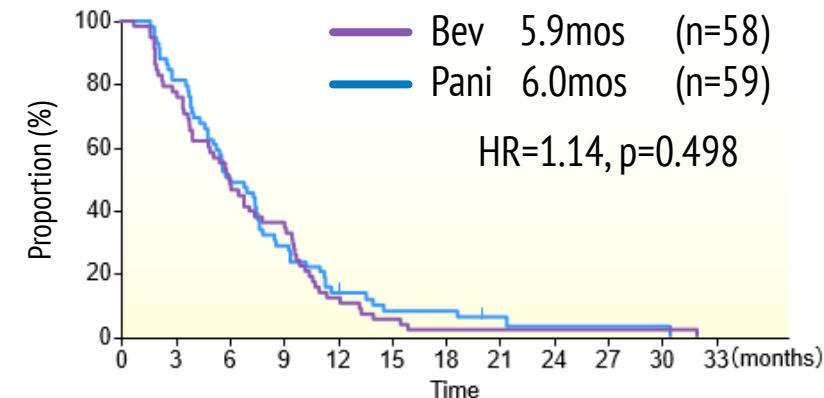
# RANDOMIZED P-II TRIALS OF 2<sup>ND</sup>-LINE BEV VS. ANTI-EGFR MAB: PFS

## SPIRITT (n=182) (primary)



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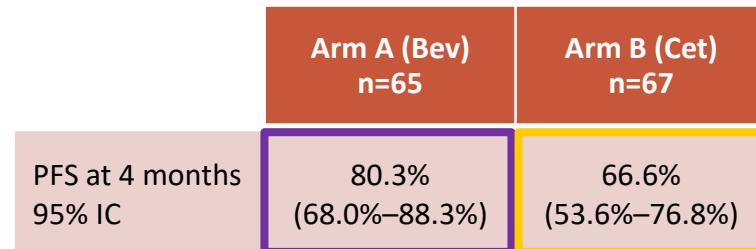
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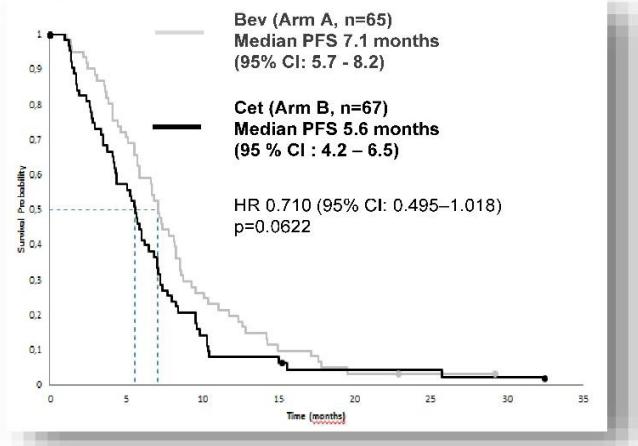
No. at Risk		Time									
FOLFIRI + Pmb	59	48	29	17	7	4	4	2	1	1	1
FOLFIRI + Bmab	58	45	28	20	7	3	1	1	1	1	0

## PRODIGE18 (n=132) (primary)

## **Progression free survival at 4 months**

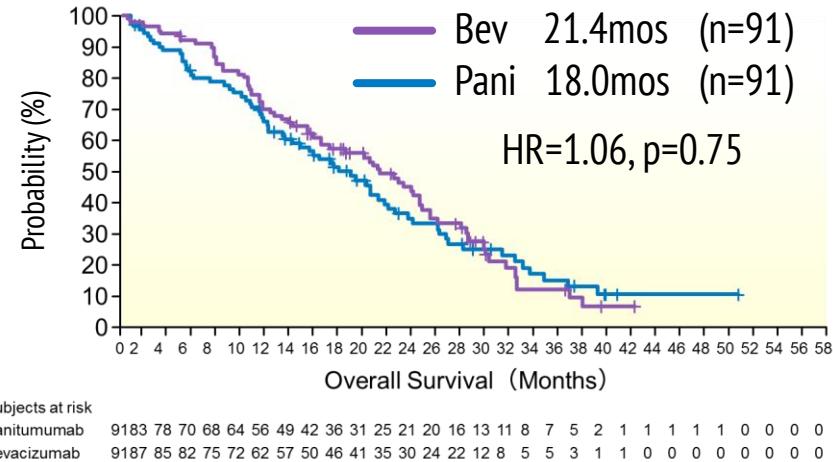


## Progression-Free Survival

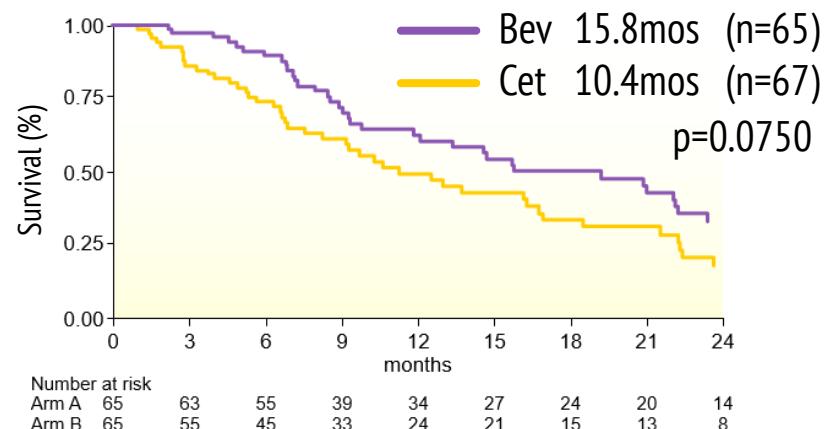


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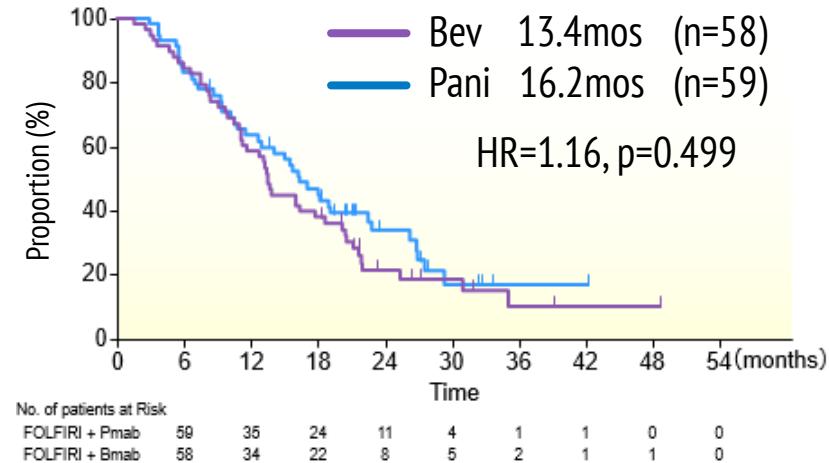
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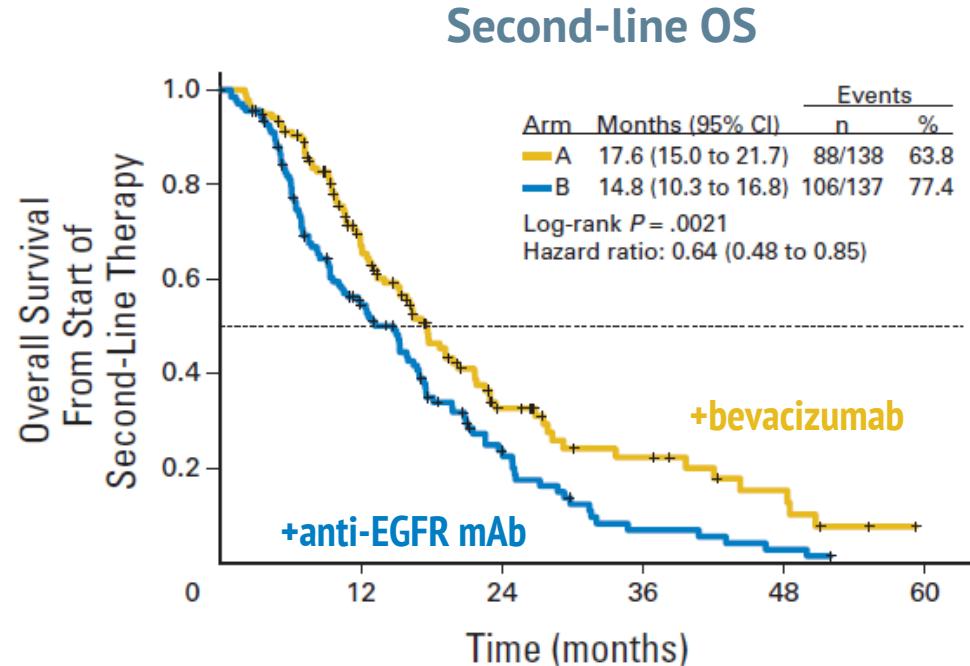
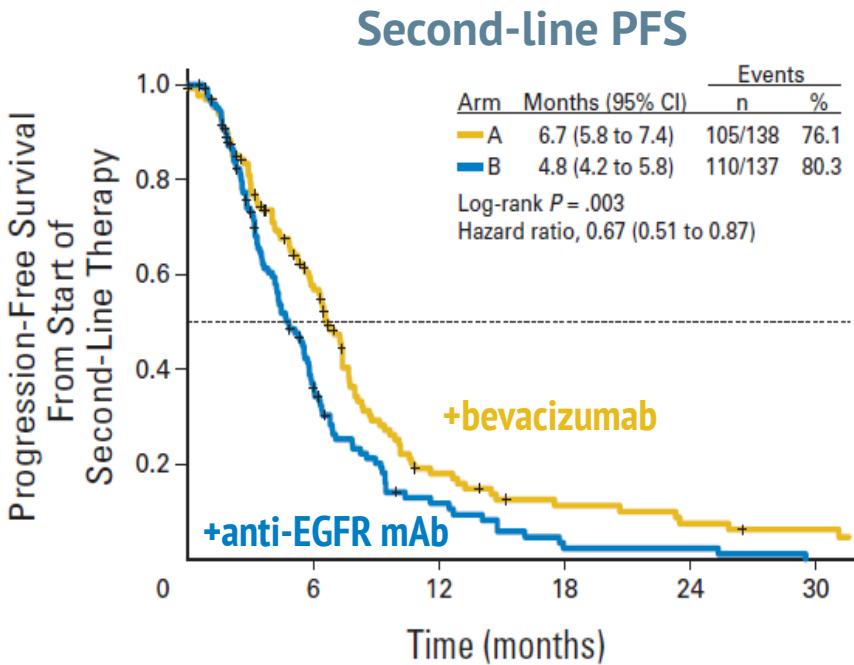
# RANDOMIZED P-II TRIALS OF 2<sup>ND</sup>-LINE BEV VS. ANTI-EGFR MAB: SUMMARY

Study	Treatment arm	PFS (m)		OS (m)		ORR (%)
<b>SPIRITT</b>	Pani+FOLFIRI	7.7	HR=1.01 p=0.97	18.0	HR=1.06 p=0.75	32
	Bev+FOLFIRI	9.2		21.4		19
<b>WJOG6210G</b>	Pani+FOLFIRI	6.0	HR=1.14 p=0.498	16.2	HR=1.16 p=0.499	46.2
	Bev+FOLFIRI	5.9		13.4		5.7
<b>PRODIGE18- ACCORD22</b>	Cet+Chemo	5.6	p=0.062	10.4	HR: N/A p=0.075	32.3
	Bev+Chemo	7.1		15.8		24.6

**NO SURVIVAL BENEFIT IN ANTI-EGFR MAB COMPARED TO BEV,  
BUT BETTER RESPONSE RATE**

# BEV FOLLOWED BY CET VS. CET FOLLOWED BY BEV

## SUBSEQUENT THERAPY ANALYSIS OF THE FIRE-3



IT SEEMS THAT THE SEQUENTIAL APPLICATION OF ANTI-EGFR AGENTS FOLLOWED BY SECOND-LINE ANTI-VEGF THERAPY ACHIEVES MORE FAVORABLE RESULTS THAN THE REVERSE SEQUENCE

# ANTI-VEGF VS. ANTI-EGFR FOR 2<sup>ND</sup>-LINE



- There is a similar relative benefit when anti-EGFR mAb is used in later lines compared with 2nd-line, which was confirmed in a recent randomized trial
- EGFR inhibitors may be considered for patients with RAS wild-type disease, especially
  - when a higher response rate is desired
  - for patients who are fast progressors on first-line bevacizumab containing regimens



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