

GESTIONE CLINICA DEGLI ADC: QUALE IMPATTO ORGANIZZATIVO E SOSTENIBILITÀ NELL'AMBITO DELLA RETE ONCOLOGICA REGIONALE EMILIA ROMAGNA

Le prospettive future

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Agenda

- **Biomarkers**
- First line in HER2 advanced gastric cancer
- TDX-D in second –third line
- HER2 test
- Questions for the future
- ✓ HER2 low
- ✓ Combination
- ✓ Management of toxicity
- ✓ Neoadjuvant/adjuvant setting

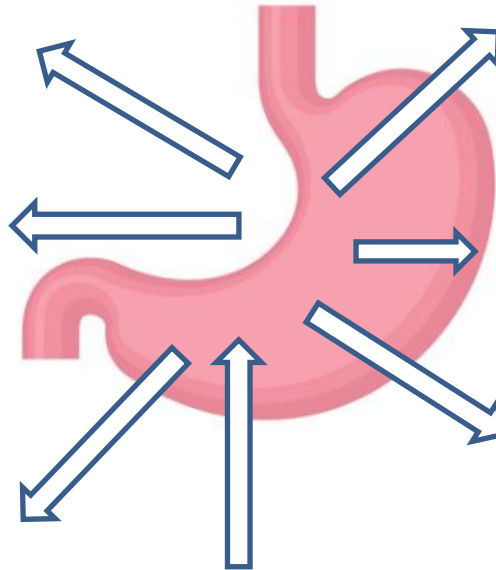
Key biomarkers in advanced gastric cancer

Established biomarkers

HER2 Positivity 5-25%
IHC 3+, IHC 2+ ISH ampl
CT+ trastuzumab I line
Trastuzumab deruxtecan II-III line

PD-L1 positivity ranges from 47.3% to 82.0%, serving as a predictive marker for response to ICI. Higher CPS (≥ 5 , > 10) is associated with a higher likelihood of response to ICI treatment

MSI high/dMMR: 8–25% of patients exhibit MSI-High or dMMR, high response rates and improved survival when treated with ICI



NGS: TMB, MSI, ERBB2 amp, FGFR2b amp, MET, NTRK etc. **ctDNA**

Emerging biomarkers

FGFR2 amp: FGFR2 amplification is observed in 4–7.4% of patients and serves as a response predictor marker for bemarituzumab

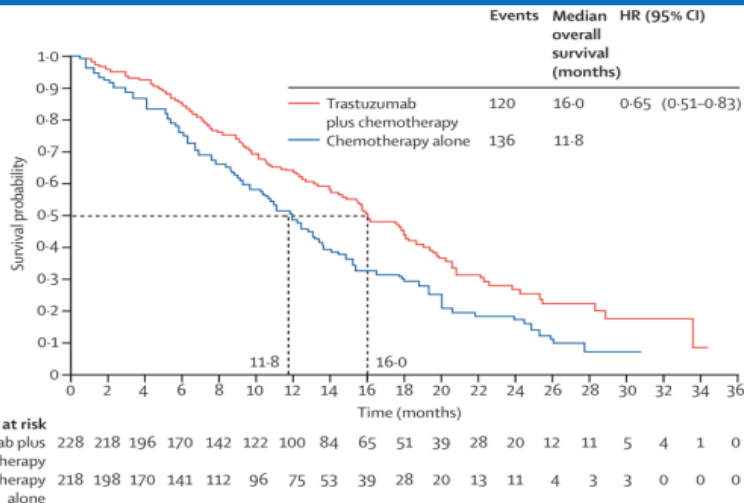
FGFR2b positive : Approximately 30% of patients exhibit FGFR2b overexpression detected through IHC, which serves as a response predictor marker for bemarituzumab

CLDN18.2 high: CLDN18.2 high expression is observed in 30–33% of patients and serves as a response predictive marker for zolbetuximab

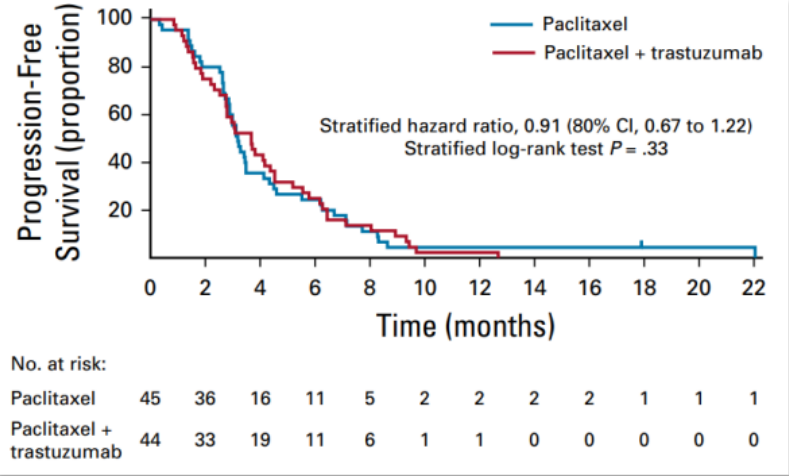
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Trastuzumab + CT vs CT



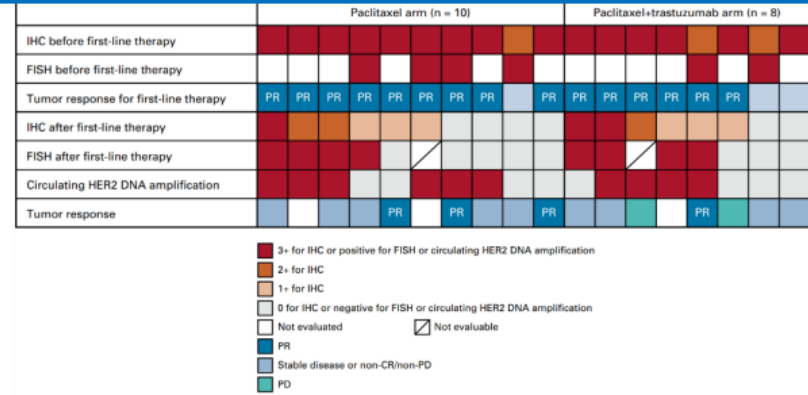
Trastuzumab beyond PD is not effective



Other agents not effective

Clinical Trial	First Reported Year	Drug	HER2 Definition	Phase	Line of Therapy	Intervention (Comparison)	Results
ToGA	2009	Trastuzumab	IHC 3+ and/or ISH-positive	P3	First-line	Trastuzumab + chemo (Chemotherapy)	Improvement of median OS 13.8 m vs. 11.1 m, p = 0.0046
TyTAN	2013	Lapatinib	ISH-positive	P3	Second-line	Lapatinib + chemo (Chemotherapy)	No difference in median OS 11.0 m vs. 8.9 m, p = 0.1044
TRIO-013/LOGIC	2013	Lapatinib	IHC 3+ and/or ISH-positive	P2/3	First-line	Lapatinib + chemo (Chemotherapy)	No difference in median OS 12.2 m vs. 10.5 m, p = 0.91
GATSBY	2016	T-DM1	IHC 3+ or IHC 2+ISH-positive	P2/3	First-line	T-DM1 (Chemotherapy)	No difference in median OS 7.9 m vs. 8.6 m, p = 0.31
JACOB	2017	Pertuzumab	IHC 3+ or IHC 2+ISH-positive	P3	First-line	Pertuzumab + Trastuzumab + chemo (Trastuzumab + chemo)	No difference in median OS 17.5 m vs. 14.2 m, p = 0.057

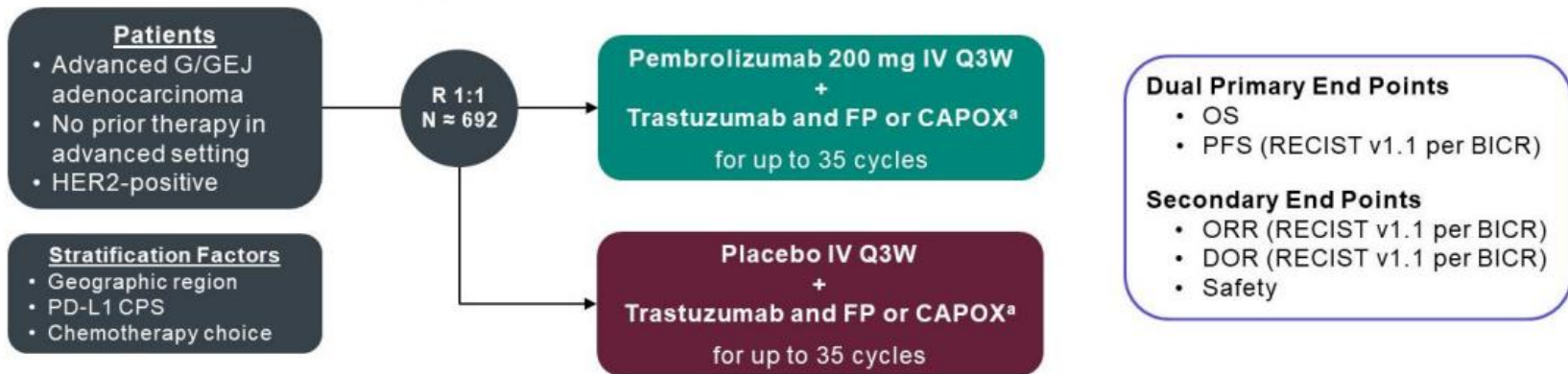
Loss of HER2 expression in about 1 of 3



Immunotherapy in first line HER2+ mGC

KEYNOTE-811 – PEMBROLIZUMAB + TRASTUZUMAB

Double-Blind Phase 3 Study of Pembrolizumab + Trastuzumab and Chemotherapy vs Placebo + Trastuzumab and Chemotherapy as First-Line Therapy For HER2-Positive Unresectable or Metastatic G/GEJ Cancer (NCT03615326)



^aTrastuzumab dose: 6 mg/kg IV Q3W following an 8 mg/kg loading dose. FP dose: 5-fluorouracil 800 mg/m² IV on D1-5 Q3W + cisplatin 80 mg/m² IV Q3W. CAPOX dose: capecitabine 1000 mg/m² BID on D1-14 Q3W + oxaliplatin 130 mg/m² IV Q3W.

BICR, blinded independent central review; CPS, combined positive score (number of PD-L1–staining cells [tumor cells, lymphocytes, macrophages] divided by the total number of viable tumor cells, multiplied by 100).

Immunotherapy in first line HER2+ mGC

Summary of confirmed objective response in the efficacy population

Variable	Pembrolizumab Group (N=133)	Control Group (N=133)
Objective response — % (95% CI) *	74.4 (66.2–81.6)	58.6 (50.4–66.8)
Disease control — % (95% CI) †	96.2 (91.4–98.8)	88.8 (84.0–93.6)
Best overall response — no. (%)	107 (80.4)	91 (68.4)

Approval 1st-line GC / EGJ cancer

- HER2-positive
- PD-L1 CPS ≥ 1

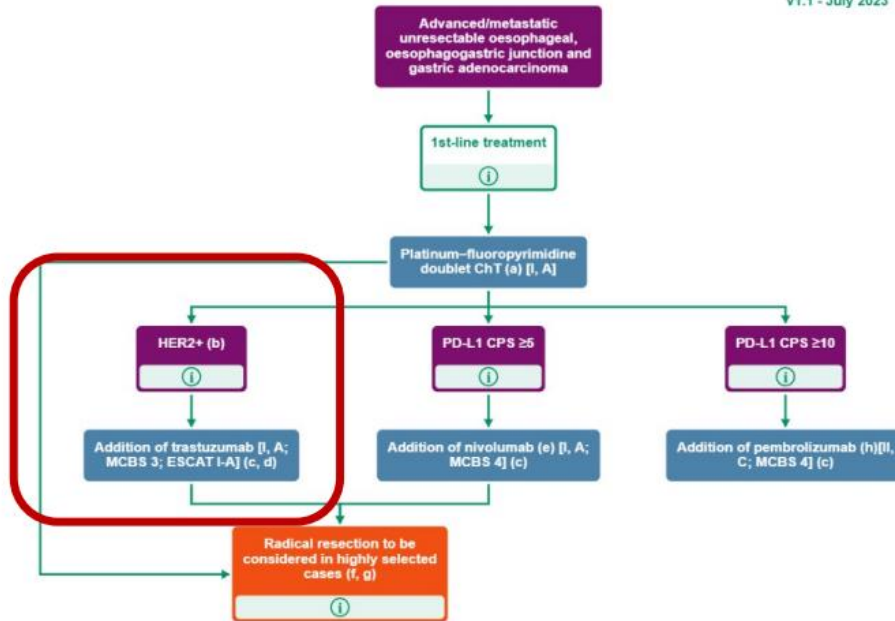
This approval by the EC follows the positive recommendation from the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use received in July 2023 and was based on results from the Phase 3 KEYNOTE-811 trial. In the study, KEYTRUDA plus trastuzumab and chemotherapy significantly improved progression-free survival (PFS), and objective response rate (ORR), compared to trastuzumab and chemotherapy alone in this patient population. In the study, more than 80% of patients had tumors that were PD-L1 positive.

difference in objective response rate in participants with PD-L1 combined positive score ≥ 1 "

Fig. 1. Best percentage change from baseline in the size of target lesions among participants in the efficacy population

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- CT + trastuzumab standard first line
- IO+ trastuzumab+ CT standard for CPS_≥1 in the next future
- Trastuzumab beyond progression is not effective
- Failure of other antiHER2 agents (pertuzumab, lapatinib TDM-1)

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DESTINY-Gastric01

Study of Trastuzumab Deruxtecan in HER2 Expressing Gastric Cancer

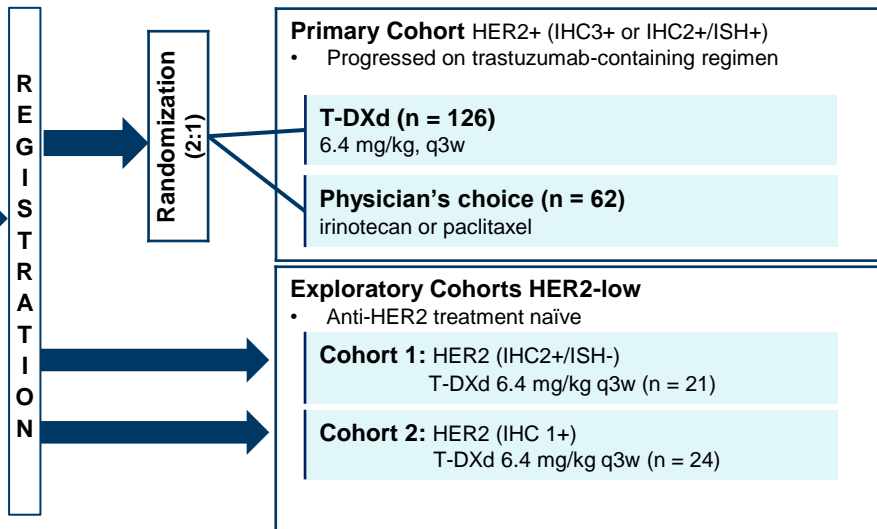
A phase 2, multicenter, open-label trial of trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) in patients with HER2 expressing advanced gastric or gastroesophageal junction (GEJ) adenocarcinoma (Asia)

Study Design

- HER2 expressing advanced gastric or GEJ adenocarcinoma
- ≥ 2 prior regimens must include fluoropyrimidine and a platinum agent (N = 233)

Stratification factors (Primary Cohort)

- Region (Japan or South Korea)
- ECOG PS (0 or 1)
- HER2 status (IHC 3+ or IHC 2+/ISH+)



Primary Endpoint

- Objective response rate (ORR) by independent central review (ICR) in the primary cohort based on RECIST v1.1

Secondary Endpoints

- Overall survival (OS)
- Progression-free survival (PFS)
- Duration of response (DOR)
- Confirmed disease control rate (DCR)
- Time to treatment failure (TTF)
- Safety and pharmacokinetics
- ORR for each exploratory cohort, investigator assessed

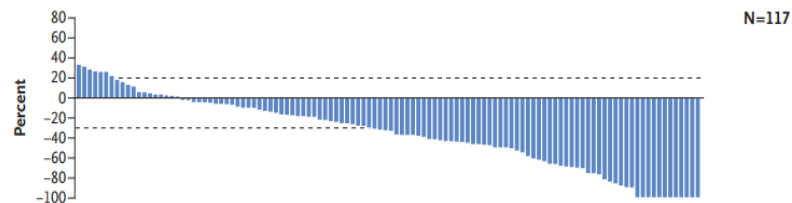
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Destiny Gastric 01

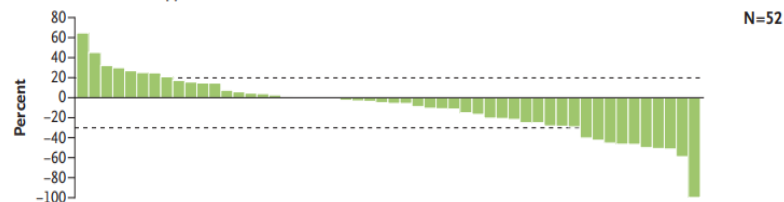
Overall response rate 43% vs 12%

Overall survival (median) 12.5 vs 8,4 months

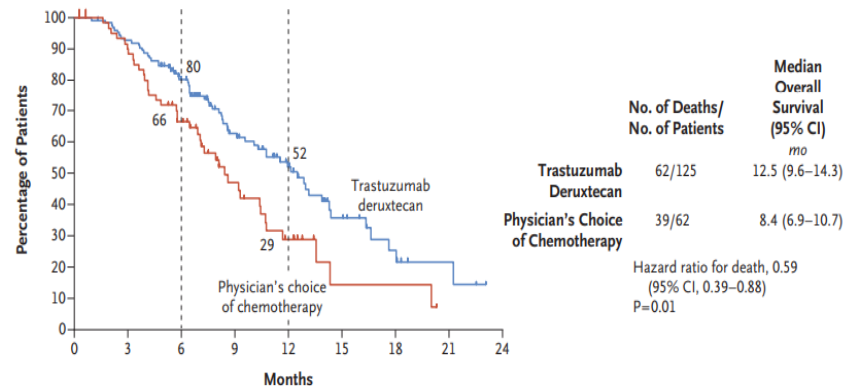
A Trastuzumab Deruxtecan



B Physician's Choice of Chemotherapy



A Overall Survival



No. at Risk

Trastuzumab deruxtecan	125	115	88	54	33	14	7	3	0
Physician's choice of chemotherapy	62	54	37	19	10	2	2	0	0

Previous treatment — no. (%)

Therapy containing trastuzumab	125 (100)	62 (100)
Therapy containing taxane	105 (84)	55 (89)
Therapy containing ramucirumab	94 (75)	41 (66)
Irinotecan or other topoisomerase I inhibitor	8 (6)	5 (8)
Immune checkpoint inhibitor	44 (35)	17 (27)

No. of previous systemic therapies for advanced or metastatic disease — no. (%) ||

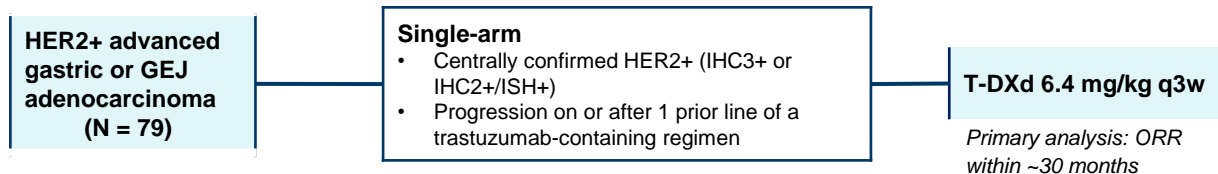
2	66 (53)	38 (61)
3	34 (27)	18 (29)
≥4	25 (20)	6 (10)

DESTINY-Gastric02

Study of Trastuzumab Deruxtecan in HER2+ Gastric/GEJ Cancer¹

A phase 2, multicenter, open-label trial of trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) in patients with HER2+, unresectable or metastatic gastric or gastroesophageal junction (GEJ) adenocarcinoma that has progressed on or after a trastuzumab-containing regimen (North America, Europe)

Study Design



Primary Endpoint

- Confirmed objective response rate (ORR) by independent central review (ICR) based on RECIST v1.1

Secondary Endpoints

- Progression-free survival (PFS) by ICR and investigator assessment
- ORR by investigator assessment
- Overall survival (OS)
- Duration of response (DOR)

Destiny Gastric 02

Overall response rate 42%

Confirmed ORR,^c % (n) **41.8 (33)**
(95% CI, 30.8-53.4)

Confirmed best overall response, % (n)

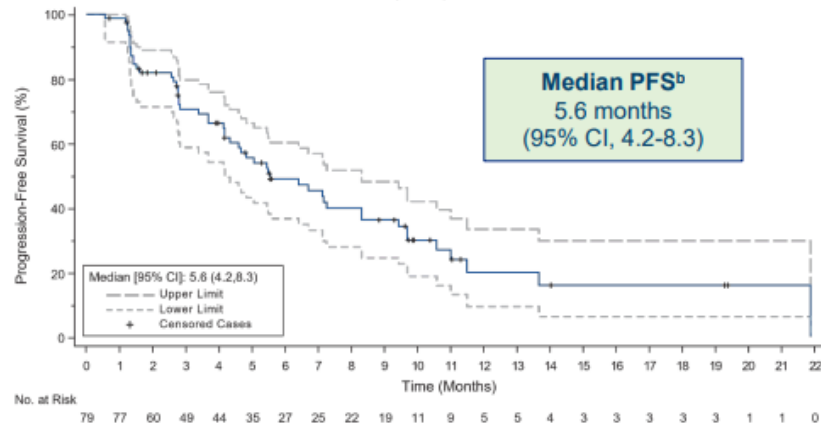
CR **5.1 (4)**
PR **36.7 (29)**
SD **39.2 (31)**
PD **16.5 (13)**
Not evaluable **2.5 (2)**

Median DOR, months 8.1 (95% CI, 5.9-NE)^d

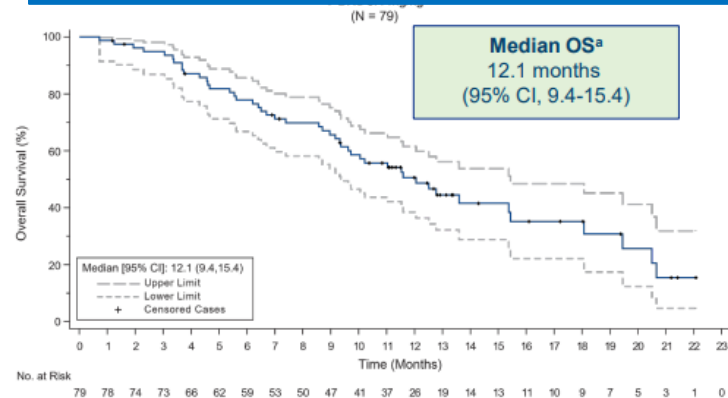
Confirmed DCR,^e % (n) 81.0 (64)
(95% CI, 70.6-89.0)

Median TTR, months 1.4 (95% CI, 1.4-2.7)

PFS (median) 5.6 m



Overall survival (median) 12.1 m



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2nd-line

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Advanced/metastatic unresectable oesophageal, oesophagogastric junction and gastric adenocarcinoma

2nd-line treatment
i

No contraindications for ChT or antiangiogenic tx

Contraindications for ChT

Contraindications for antiangiogenic tx

MSI-H/dMMR
i

HER2+ (c)
i

Ramucirumab-paclitaxel [I, A; MCBS 2] (a)

Ramucirumab monotherapy [I, B; MCBS 1] (a)

Taxane or irinotecan [I, A]

Pembrolizumab monotherapy [II, A; MCBS 3; ESCAT I-B] (a, b)

Trastuzumab deruxtecan [II A]

3rd-line

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Advanced/metastatic unresectable oesophageal, oesophagogastric junction and gastric adenocarcinoma

3rd-line treatment

HER2-

HER2+ (c)
i

ChT
i

Trastuzumab deruxtecan (d) [I, A; MCBS 4] (a)
i

Oral therapy possible

i.v. therapy preferred

Tritifuridine-tipiracil [I, A; MCBS 3] (a)

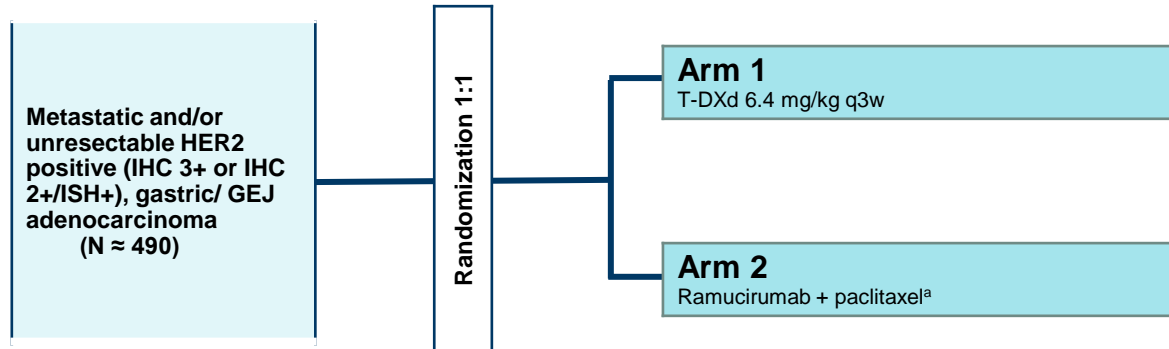
Taxane or irinotecan (b) [I, B]

DESTINY-Gastric04 (DS8201-A-U306)

Study of Trastuzumab Deruxtecan in HER2+ Metastatic and/or Unresectable Gastric/GEJ Cancer

A phase 3, multicenter, 2-arm, randomized, open-label study of trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) in patients with HER2+ metastatic and/or unresectable gastric or GEJ adenocarcinoma who have progressed on or after a trastuzumab-containing regimen (Europe, Asia, South America)

Study Design



Primary Endpoint

- Overall survival (OS)

Secondary Endpoints

- Progression-free survival (PFS)
- Objective response rate (ORR)
- Duration of response (DOR)
- Disease control rate (DCR)
- Safety
- Pharmacokinetics (PK)

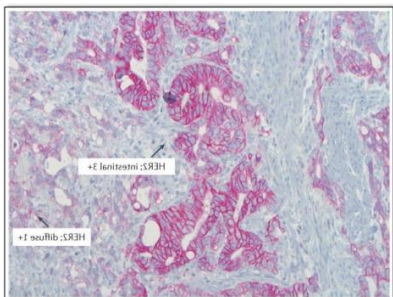
^aRamucirumab 8 mg/kg on Days 1 and 15 in combination with paclitaxel 80 mg/m² on Days 1, 8 and 15 of a 28-day cycle.

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HER2 test

The challenge of heterogeneity

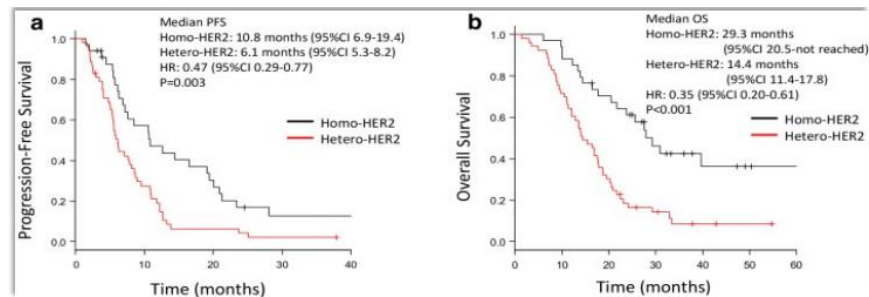


TOGA HER2 heterogeneity by IHC score	
Heterogeneity = ≤ 30% staining	
IHC3+	30%



TOGA HER2 % of positive cells in IHC3 + patients				
% cells	<10%	10-30%	31-79%	≥80%
% patients	3%	27%	31%	39%

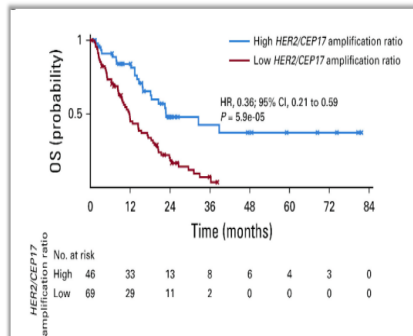
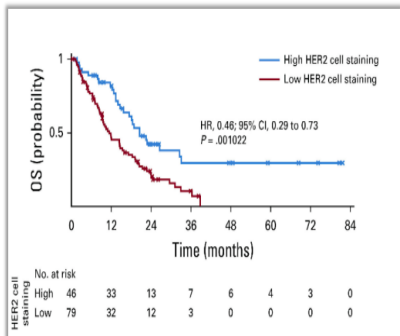
Heterogeneity and outcomes



Japanese dataset HER2 treated GEA (n=87)
 Homogenous HER2 3+ = all cells positive (40%)
 ↑ PFS and OS in HER2 3+ homogenous vs heterogenous

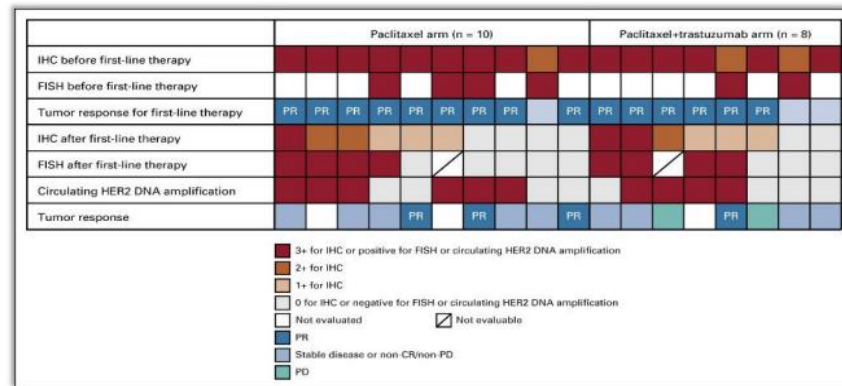
HER2 test

Can we define a better cut off?



German VARIANZ study Suggested optimised cut offs for benefit from 1L trastuzumab 40% cells positive for HER2 CEP17:HER2 ratio ≥ 3.0

The dynamic nature of Her2

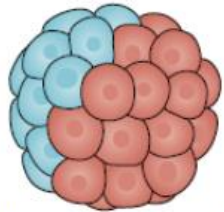


Italian registry study Change in HER2 status positive to negative 32% More common in IHC2+ than IHC3+ patients

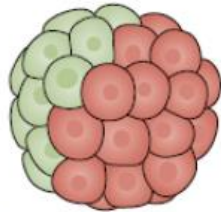
T-ACT trial Paclitaxel vs paclitaxel/trastuzumab 69% of patients did not have retained HER2 expression after 1L trastuzumab

Precision medicine in HER2 + gastric cancer

Spatial HER2 heterogeneity

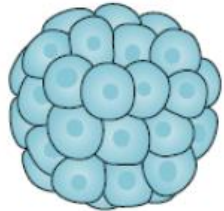


Intratumoural
HER2 heterogeneity



Concurrent
genomic alteration

Primary

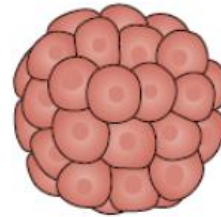


Metastatic lesion

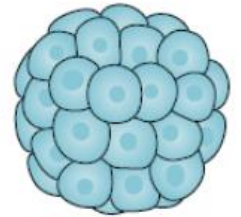


Intrapatient HER2 heterogeneity

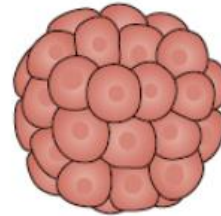
Temporal HER2 heterogeneity



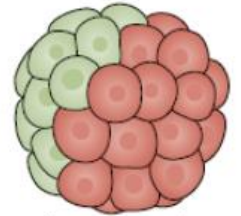
HER2-
targeted
therapy



HER2 loss



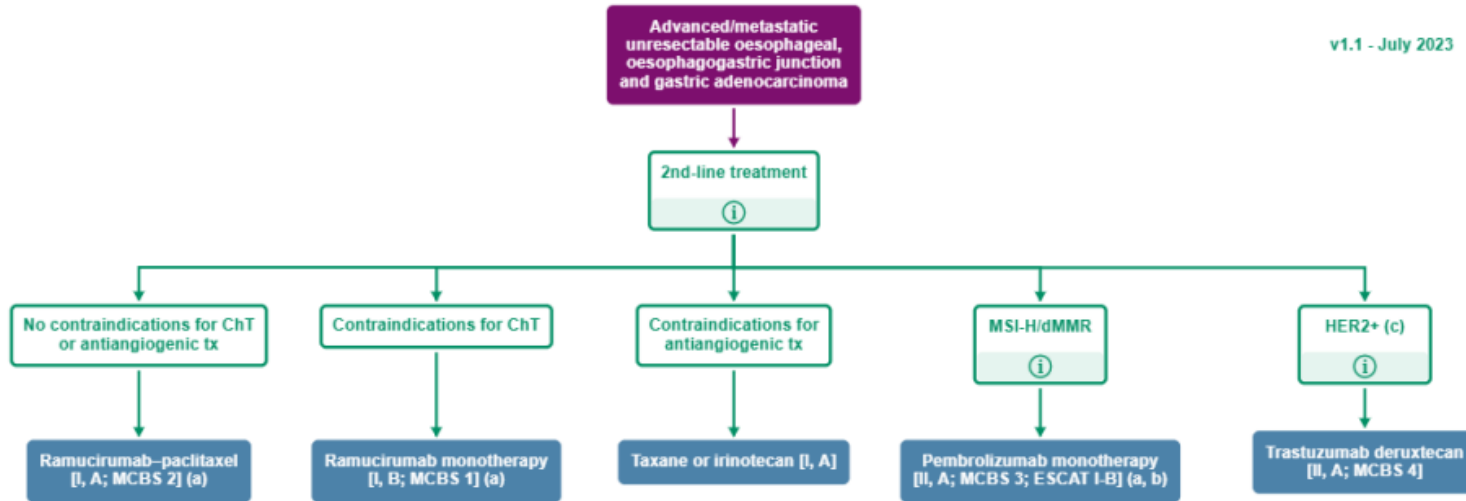
HER2-
targeted
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Acquired
genomic
alteration

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- Trastuzumab deruxtecan is recommended for patients with HER2-positive advanced gastric cancer who have received a prior trastuzumab-based regimen [I, A; **ESMO-MCBS v1.1 score: 4**].
Re-biopsy is recommended when possible.

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Questions for the future: HER2 low

HER2 low Italian study

1210 formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded samples

HER2-low was 28.3% (95% CI 25.8% to 31.0%) overall, and was **higher in biopsy specimens** compared with surgical resection specimens (34.9 vs 21.0%) ($p < 0.0001$).

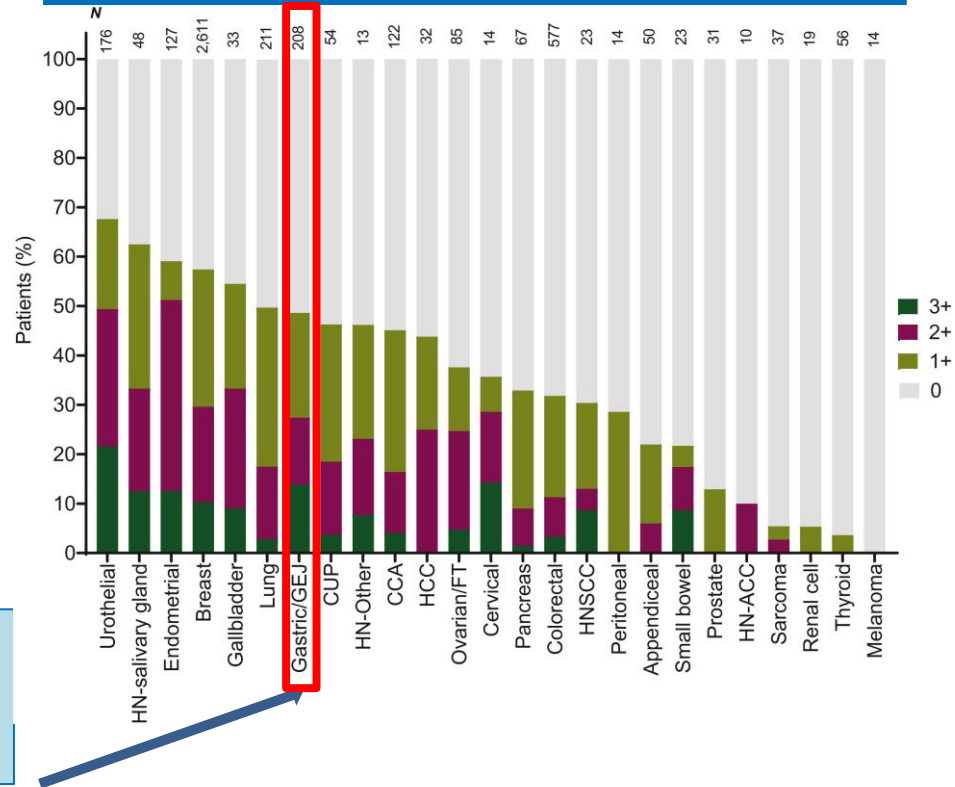
HER2-low prevalence ranged from 19.1% to 40.6% among centres ($p = 0.0005$)

J Clin Pathol. 2023 Apr

HER2 expression by IHC was evaluated in 4701 patient.

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HER2 low MD Anderson



Questions for the future: HER2 low

HER2 low MD Anderson



		HER2 Metastasis n, %			Total
		HER2-negative	HER2-low	HER2-positive	
HER2 Primary n, %	HER2-negative	20 (95.2)	0	1 (4.8)	21
	HER2-low	0	0	1 (100.0)	1
	HER2-positive	1 (33.3)	1 (33.3)	1 (33.3)	3
Total		21 (84.0)	1 (4.0)	3 (12.0)	25

	0	1+	2+	3+	total
Gastric/GEJ	107 (51.4)	44 (21.2)	28 (13.5)	29 (13.9)	208

34.6 % patients had HER2 low tumor
HER2 status between primary and metastatic
 HER2-positive (HER2 3+ or 2+/ISH amplified) versus HER2-negative (all other HER2 status)
 Only 25/208 paired primary and metastatic samples were identified out of 48 samples of gastric/GEJ. Most patients with HER2-negative gastric/GEJ cancers remained negative at re-testing on metastatic samples (95.2%), whereas only 33% of HER2-positive cancers remained unchanged.

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DESTINY-Gastric03 (D967LC00001)

Study of Trastuzumab Deruxtecan combinations in HER2 overexpressing Gastric/GEJ/Esophageal Cancer¹

A phase 1b/2, multicenter, open-label, dose-escalation and dose-expansion trial of trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) monotherapy and combinations in patients with HER2 overexpressing, unresectable or metastatic gastric/gastroesophageal junction (GEJ) and esophageal adenocarcinoma (North America, South America, Europe, Asia)

Study Design

Population

- Metastatic or unresectable HER2 positive (IHC 3+ or 2+/ISH+) by local assessment GC/GEJ/esophageal adenocarcinoma^b
- ≥2L following trastuzumab-containing therapy

Population

- Previously untreated metastatic or unresectable HER2 positive (IHC 3+ or 2+/ISH+) by local assessment GC/GEJ/esophageal adenocarcinoma^b
- Stratified by HER2 status (IHC 3+ or IHC 2+/ISH+)

Part 1 – Dose escalation (3 + 3)^a

Allocate

Arm 1A: T-DXd + 5-FU Q3W

Arm 1B: T-DXd + capecitabine Q3W

Arm 1D(a): T-DXd + 5-FU + oxaliplatin Q3W
Arm 1D(b): T-DXd + capecitabine + oxaliplatin Q3W

Arm 1C: T-DXd + durvalumab Q3W

Arm 1E(a): T-DXd + 5-FU + durvalumab Q3W
Arm 1E(b): T-DXd + capecitabine + durvalumab Q3W

Part 2 – Dose expansion: RP2D from Part 1

N≈40 patients/arm

Randomize

Arm 2A^c: SoC (trastuzumab + FP^d + platinum^e)

Arm 2B^c: T-DXd monotherapy^f Q3W

Arm 2C: T-DXd + chemotherapy (FP^d ± oxaliplatin)

Arm 2D: T-DXd + chemotherapy (FP^d) + pembrolizumab Q3W

Arm 2E: T-DXd + pembrolizumab Q3W

Endpoints

Primary: Safety and RP2D
Secondary: Confirmed ORR per RECIST v1.1, DoR, PFS, OS, PK
Exploratory: ctDNA and tissue samples for candidate biomarkers

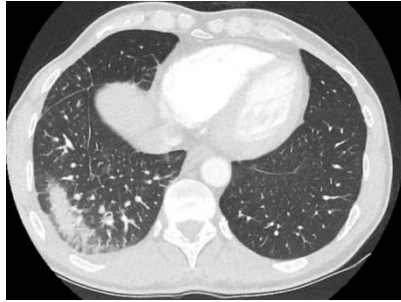
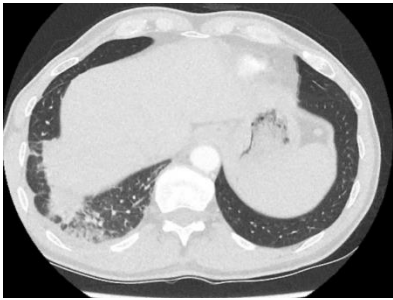
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Questions for the future

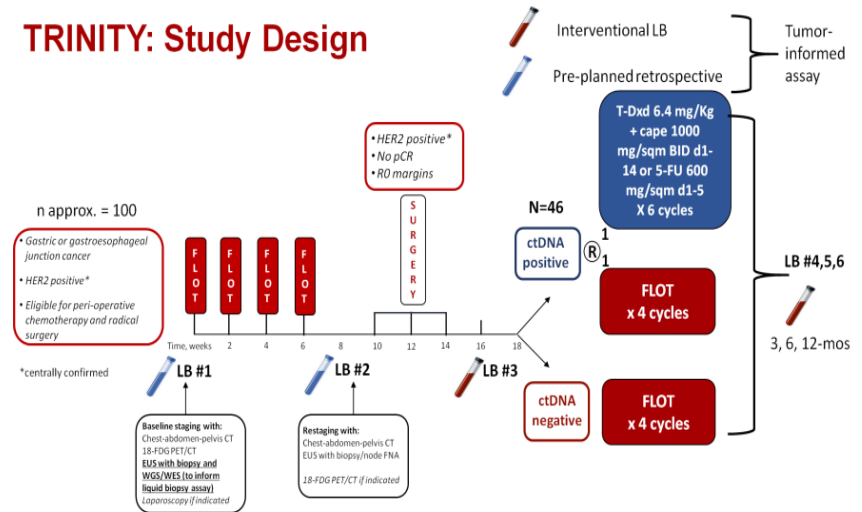
Management of toxicity



Interstitial lung disease ILD
7.6-10.4% of all grades
in gastric cancer trials
2.5% fatal in Destiny-02 (!)
Median time to onset ~80 days

Neoadjuvant/adjuvant setting

TRINITY: Study Design



Conclusions

- TDX-D is the new standard tx in second and third line with higher ORR and OS
- Manageable toxicity (with experience)
- HER2 status a new landscape
- Waiting for the next data from phase III trials

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OTTOBRE

RAVENNA

08.30 Registrazione partecipanti

09.00 Apertura lavori
Saluti delle Autorità

09.30 Introduzione **S. Tamberi**

I SESSIONE L'esperienza della Regione Emilia Romagna Moderatori: **M. C. Silvani, C. Masini**

09.40 La commissione Regionale del farmaco **A.M. Marata**
10.00 GREFO: il presente e il futuro **G. Longo**
10.20 Gestione delle eccezioni prescrittive: Commissioni del farmaco a confronto
- CF AVR **L. Rossi, S. Tamberi**
- CF AVEC **A. C. Tardi, C. Descovich**
- CF AVEN **L. Daya, G. Mazzi**
10.50 Discussione

11.10 Pausa caffè

II SESSIONE Il futuro tra innovazione e sostenibilità Moderatori: **F. Pieraccini, F. Falcini**

11.40 Innovazione in oncologia e non solo **N. Magrini**
12.00 Sostenibilità in oncologia: una missione possibile? **E. Sangiorgi**
12.20 Il ruolo della Rete Oncologica dell'Emilia Romagna **R. De Palma**
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III SESSIONE Nuovi percorsi nell'innovazione Moderatori: **A. Frassoldati, G.L. Frassinetti**

14.30 Nuovi farmaci e tumori rari
Metodologia scientifica e nuovi percorsi di registrazione dei farmaci
V. Fausti
Discussant: **C. Rondoni**

15.00 Early access: il caso del tumore della mammella HER2 low
Trastuzumab Deruxtecan: le evidenze scientifiche **C. Zamagni**
Discussant: **L. Magnano**

15.30 Molecular tumor board e medicina di precisione
Profilazione genomica: è sempre il target il vero driver? **C. Bennati**
Discussant: **C. Masini**

16.00 Conclusioni **S. Tamberi**

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Il crescente sviluppo di nuovi farmaci in ambito oncologico necessita di una attenta e profonda riflessione sull'efficacia e sostenibilità dell'innovazione farmacologica. Il Convegno ha lo scopo di permettere un confronto tra decisori istituzionali, oncologi e farmacisti per approfondire cosa significhi "Innovazione", "Sostenibilità" e quali siano i percorsi adeguati a rendere disponibili le migliori terapie ai pazienti. Tuttavia, la riflessione si rende necessaria anche per specifici ambiti di innovazione terapeutica, in particolare le terapie target e il ruolo dei molecular tumor board, i tumori rari e la necessità di comuni percorsi per l'Early access. Il convegno permette quindi un aggiornamento e confronto su tematiche estremamente rilevanti per la sostenibilità del SSN