

FDA/OSI WORKSHOP:

Advancing Osteosarcoma Drug Development – Connecting Research and Regulatory Pathways for Improved Outcomes

Friday, October 10, 2025

9:30am – 5:00pm Eastern Time

Lincoln Square

555 Eleventh Street NW

Washington, DC 20004

And via Zoom Webinar





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Welcome

Opening Remarks & Introduction

9:30 – 9:45 AM

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Workshop Goals

1. To convene key stakeholders to share perspectives on the challenges to, and identify opportunities for, advancing clinical development of therapies for osteosarcoma through collaboration and communication.
2. To identify opportunities to increase efficiency within osteosarcoma drug development.
3. To develop strategies to address the most significant challenges in clinical trials design and implementation in osteosarcoma.



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Agenda

9:30 – 9:45 AM	Opening Remarks and Introduction to the Workshop
9:45 – 10:15 AM	SESSION 1: Patient and Advocate Insights
10:15 – 11:00 AM	SESSION 2: Clinical and Regulatory Landscape
11:00 – 11:20 AM	SESSION 3: Targeting Osteosarcoma
11:20 – 11:45 AM	Break
11:45 AM – 12:45 PM	SESSION 4: Trial Design and Endpoints in Osteosarcoma
12:45 – 1:30 PM	SESSION 5: Attendee and Panelist Question and Answer
1:30 – 2:15 PM	Lunch
2:15 – 3:00 PM	SESSION 6: A Fireside Chat – Changing the Landscape of Pediatric Cancer with Legislation
3:00 – 4:00 PM	SESSION 7: The Path Forward
4:00 – 4:45 PM	SESSION 8: Attendee and Panelist Question and Answer
4:45 – 5:00 PM	Closing Remarks and Adjourn

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www.osinst.org/osi-connect



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Session 1

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Session 1

Moderator: Mac Tichenor (OSI)

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Michael Egge, Esq.	Osteosarcoma Collaborative/OSI



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Session 2

Clinical & Regulatory Landscape

10:15 – 11:00 AM

Amanda Marinoff, MD (UCSF)
Jasmine Smith, MD (FDA)

Overview of current therapy and ongoing clinical trials for osteosarcoma

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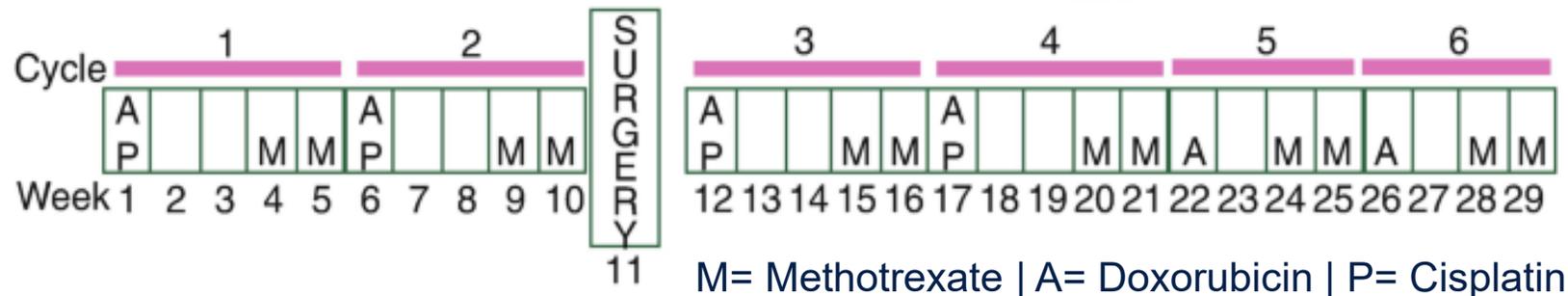
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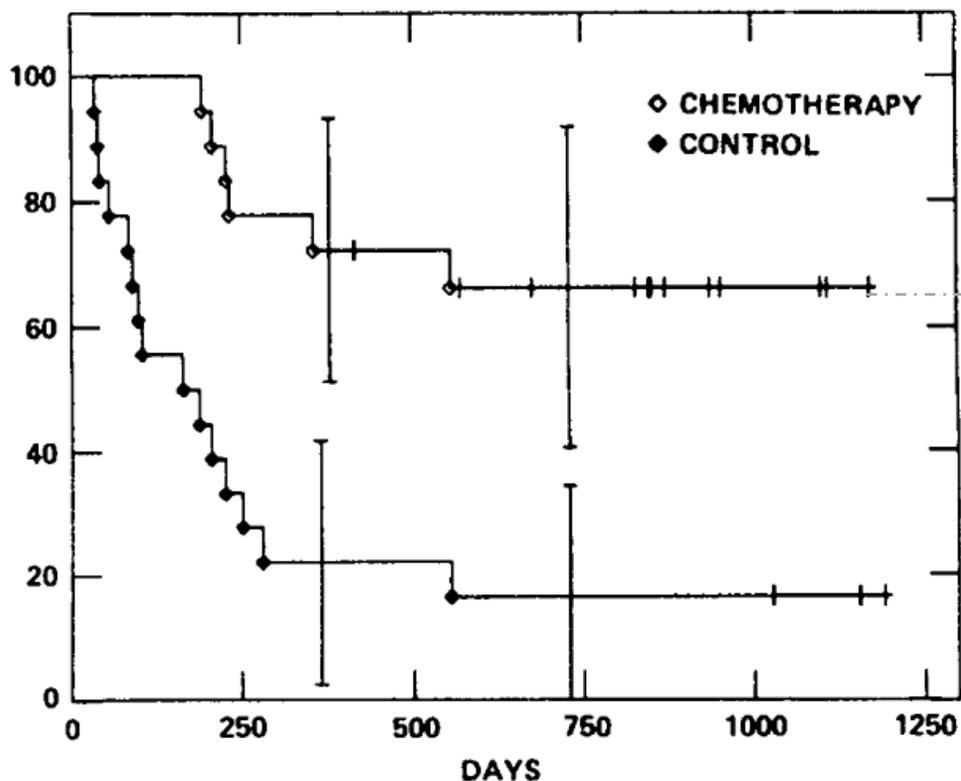
Current treatment for osteosarcoma

- **Newly diagnosed:** Multi-agent intensive chemotherapy + surgery; no risk- or biology-adapted approach
- **Outcomes:** 5-yr overall survival (OS): 65-70% (localized); 5-30% (metastatic)¹⁻⁴
- **Refractory/recurrent (R/R):** Salvage therapies are rarely curative; <20% long-term survivors⁵



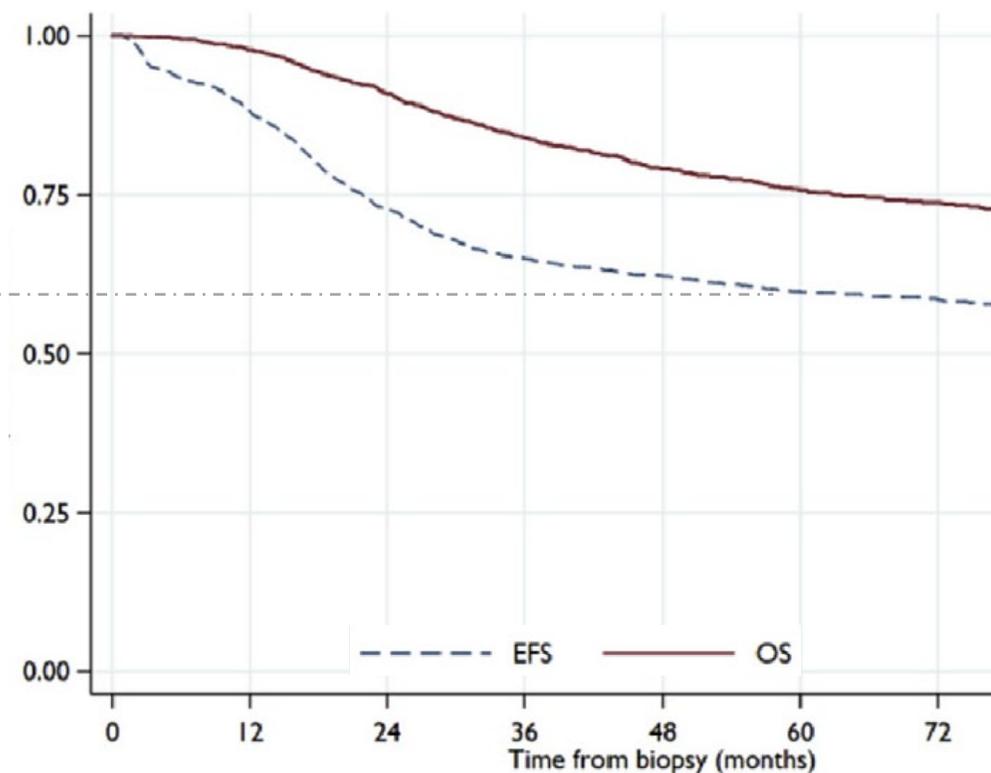
Survival has not improved in four decades

1986: 66% 3y EFS¹



6 drug regimen x 45 weeks

2019: 65% 3y EFS²



3 drug regimen x 31 weeks

¹ Link et al. *N Engl J Med*, 1986

² Smeland et al, *European Journal of Cancer* 2019

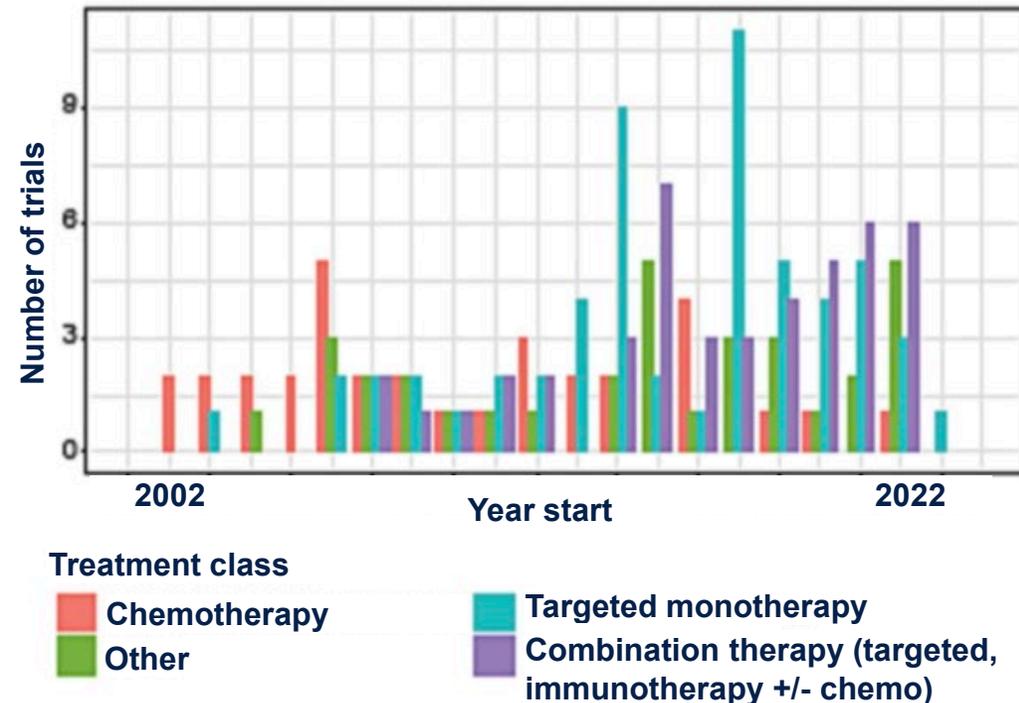
Key barriers to progress

- Rare disease + young population challenge trial feasibility
- Clinical and biological heterogeneity
- Limited access to novel agents
- No validated prognostic or predictive biomarkers
- Scarce longitudinal biospecimens and poorly understood resistance mechanisms
- Endpoints are inconsistent across trials

What's changed in the phase II trial landscape over the last decade?

- Majority of trials included patients age <12y
- Osteosarcoma-specific endpoints more common
- Shift toward targeted therapies and immunotherapy

Therapeutic trials including R/R osteosarcoma



What hasn't changed?

- **Most trials fail to show benefit**
 - Only 20% met their primary efficacy endpoint
 - Median ORR: 5.3%
 - Median PFS: ~3 months; median OS: ~10 months
- **Trial design geared toward signal finding, not regulatory approval**
 - 90% single-arm, 62% monotherapy
 - Median enrollment: 18 patients/trial
 - Variation in design, endpoints, eligibility requirements

Review of ongoing clinical trials

- Chemotherapy and surgery
- Multi-tyrosine kinase inhibitors (mTKIs)
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Completed phase II single-agent mTKI trials for R/R osteosarcoma

	Sorafenib¹	Apatinib²	Regorafenib^{3,4*}		Cabozantinib⁵
Key targets	VEGFR2/3 Raf	VEGFR1/2, SRC, c-KIT, RET	VEGFR1/2/3, PDGFR β , c-KIT, RET		VEGFR1/2/3, MET, c-KIT, RET
N	35	37	26 ³	22 ⁴	42
ORR	8% (3 PR)	43% (16 PR)	8% (2 PR)	14% (3PR)	12% (5 PR)
Median PFS[†]	4.0	4.5	3.6	3.8	6.7
4-mo PFS	46%	57%	35%	44%	71%

*Randomized, placebo-controlled trials; all others single-arm studies in R/R, unresectable osteosarcoma; † in months

All studies met their primary efficacy endpoints.

¹Grigani et al, 2012

²Xie et. al, 2019

³Duffaud et al, 2019 (REGOBONE)

⁴Davis et al, 2019 (SARC024)

⁵Italiano, et. al 2020 (CABONE)

Completed phase II combination trials with mTKIs (excluding IO)

Agents	Population	Outcomes in osteosarcoma
Sorafenib + Everolimus ¹	R/R osteosarcoma (<i>n</i> =38); ≥18y	6-mo PFS 45%; ORR 13% (5 PR)
Pazopanib + Topotecan ²	R/R STS, exploratory osteosarcoma cohort (<i>n</i> =15); ≥18y	3-mo PFS 70%; ORR 13% (2PR)
Ifosfamide/Etoposide ± Lenvatinib ^{3*}	R/R osteosarcoma (<i>n</i> =81); age 2-25	4-mo EFS 62% v. 61%; ORR 13% v. 8%

*Randomized controlled trial; all others single-arm

**Combination mTKIs show modest activity in small single-arm studies.
In a randomized trial, adding lenvatinib to chemo did not improve EFS.**

¹ Grigiani et al, 2014

² Schulte et. al, 2021

³ Gaspar et. al, 2024

Active mTKI trials

Regimen	Phase	Population
MAP ± cabozantinib ¹	II/III	Newly diagnosed osteosarcoma; <40y
Ifosfamide + cabozantinib ²	I	R/R Ewing sarcoma and osteosarcoma; 5-40y
Cabozantinib maintenance ³	II	Unresectable osteosarcoma (at diagnosis/ first relapse); ≤30y
Cabozantinib maintenance ⁴	II	High risk pediatric solid tumors with resected disease; 5-30y
Sunitinib + losartan ⁵	I/Ib	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥10y
Atezolizumab + cabozantinib ⁶	II	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥12y
Zanzalitinib ⁷	II	R/R bone tumors ≥18y

¹NCT05691478

⁴NCT05135975

⁷NCT07193550

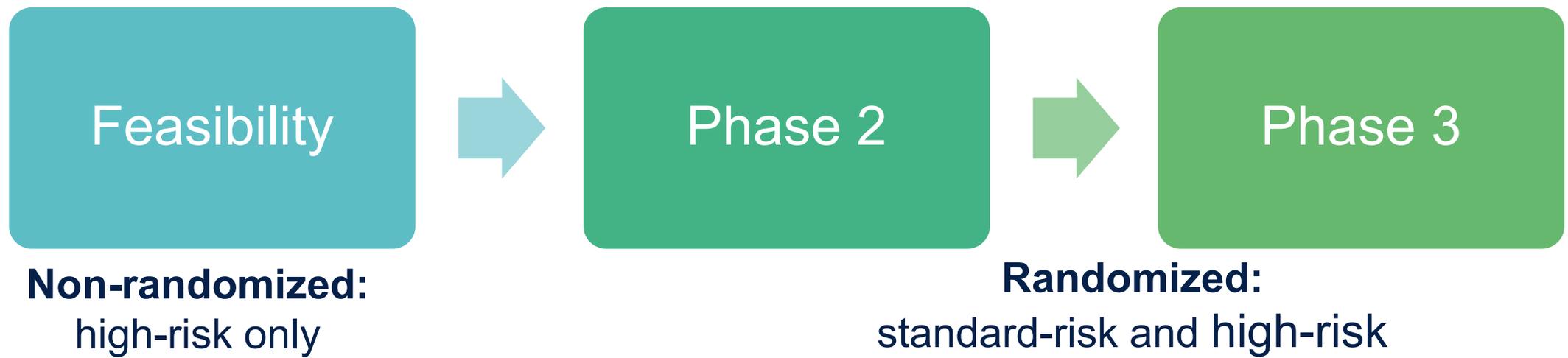
²NCT06156410

⁵NCT03900793

³NCT06341712

⁶NCT05019703

AOST2032: A feasibility and randomized phase 2/3 study of cabozantinib + MAP for newly diagnosed osteosarcoma



Primary endpoints: **feasibility and EFS**

Standard-risk: localized, resectable
High-risk: metastatic, pelvic and/or unresectable

Pediatric Strategy Forum on mTKIs

Key Conclusions

- Predictive biomarkers are poorly understood.
- Ideal characteristics of mTKIs are not defined.
- Trials should include children, adolescents, and adults when biology is shared.
- Feasibility *and* combination treatment should be evaluated within the same protocol as a randomized trial when feasible.
- Trials should be designed to support regulatory and payer requirements.

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Completed trials of single-agent immune checkpoint inhibitors

Agent (target)	Phase	Population	Outcomes
Nivolumab (PD-1) ¹	I/II	Advanced solid tumors; ≤30y (n=85)	No responses
Pembrolizumab (PD-1) ²	II	PD-L1+ advanced solid tumors/ lymphoma; ≤30y (n=154)	No responses*
Pembrolizumab (PD-1) ³	II	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥18y (n=12)	No responses
Atezolizumab (PD-1) ⁴	I/II	Advanced solid tumors; <30y (n=90)	Safe, minimal efficacy
Avelumab (PD-L1) ⁵	II	R/R osteosarcoma, age 12-50 (n=18)	No responses

*except in lymphoma and 1PR in GBM with microsatellite instability

Single-agent checkpoint inhibitors are safe but have minimal efficacy.

¹NCT02304458 (ADVL1412), Davis et al., 2020

²NCT02332668 (KEYNOTE-051), Pappo et al., ASCO, 2025

³NCT03013127 (PROMO), Boye et al., 2021

⁴NCT02541604 (iMATRIX), Georger et al., *Lancet*, 2020

⁵NCT03006848 (OSTPDL1), Bishop et al., ASCO, 2020

Completed immune checkpoint inhibitor combination trials

Agents (target)	Phase	Population	Outcomes in osteosarcoma
Nivolumab (PD1) ± Ipilimumab (CTLA4) ¹	I/II	Advanced solid tumors; ≤30y (n=13/85)	No responses
Nivolumab (PD1) + Sunitinib (mTKI) ^{2*}	II	Bone sarcomas; ≥18y (n=17/40)	2 PR (1 lasting > 1yr)
Camrelizumab (PD1) + Apatinib (mTKI) ³	II	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥11y (n=43)	51% EFS at 6 mo
Nivolumab (PD1) + Regorafenib (mTKI)	II	R/R osteosarcoma (n=20); ≥5y	4mo PFS 40%; 2 PR, 5 SD

* Only study that met primary efficacy endpoint (EFS>15%) but 17/40 discontinued treatment due to toxicity

Modest activity with combination of PD1 blockade + mTKI; some patients may benefit

¹NCT02304458 (ADVL1412), Davis et al., 2022

²NCT03277924 (IMMUNOSARC), Palmerini et. al, 2025

³NCT03359018 Xie et. al, 2020

⁴NCT04803877 (SARC 038), Navid F, Davis L, et. al, CTOS 2023

Active immune checkpoint inhibitor trials

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Atezolizumab (PD-L1) + cabozantinib(mTKI) ¹	II	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥12y
Pembrolizumab (PD-1) + cabozantinib (mTKI) ²	II	Advanced sarcomas, ≥18y
Oleclumab (CD73) + durvalumab (PD-L1) ³	II	R/R or metastatic sarcomas; ≥12y
Nivolumab ± azacitidine ⁴	II	Resectable R/R osteosarcoma; any age
Atezolizumab (PD-L1) SBRT ⁵	I	Pulmonary-only osteosarcoma relapse; ≤50y

SBRT= stereotactic body radiation therapy

¹ NCT05019703 (TACOS)

² NCT05182164 (PEMBROSARC)

³ NCT04668300 (DOSa)

⁴ NCT03628209

⁵ NCT06492954

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Completed trials of immune modulatory agents

Agent	Trial (Phase)	Population	Outcome
IFN-α-2b +MAP	EURAMOS-1 (III) ¹	Newly diagnosed good responders	No EFS benefit compared to adjuvant MAP alone ¹
Aerosolized GM-CSF	AOST0221 (II) ²	Recurrent pulmonary osteosarcoma	Feasible, no efficacy ²
Mifamurtide (L-MTP-PE) + MAP (+ifosfamide in some cases)	INT0133 (III) ³ ISG/OS2 (II) ⁴ GEIS-33 (IV) ⁵ SARCOME-13 (II) ⁶	Newly diagnosed localized osteosarcoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EFS not met, OS benefit^{3*} ▪ Improved EFS^{4,5†} ▪ SARCOME-13: results pending⁶

*led to EMA approval; †univariate analysis only

Active trials of immune modulatory agents

Agent	Phase	Population
Aerosol aldesleukin (IL-2) ¹	I/II	Osteosarcoma cohort with lung metastases; age 12-50
OST31-164 (Listeria-HER2 vaccine) ²	II	Resected R/R pulmonary osteosarcoma; age 12-39
Vactosertib (TGFβi) ³	I/II	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥12y
RNA-lipid particle vaccine ⁴	I/II	R/R osteosarcoma and pHGG; age 3-39
CRD3874-SI ⁵ (STING agonist)	Ia/b	Advanced sarcoma, Merckel cell carcinoma; ≥18y

¹NCT01590069

⁴NCT05660408

²NCT04974008

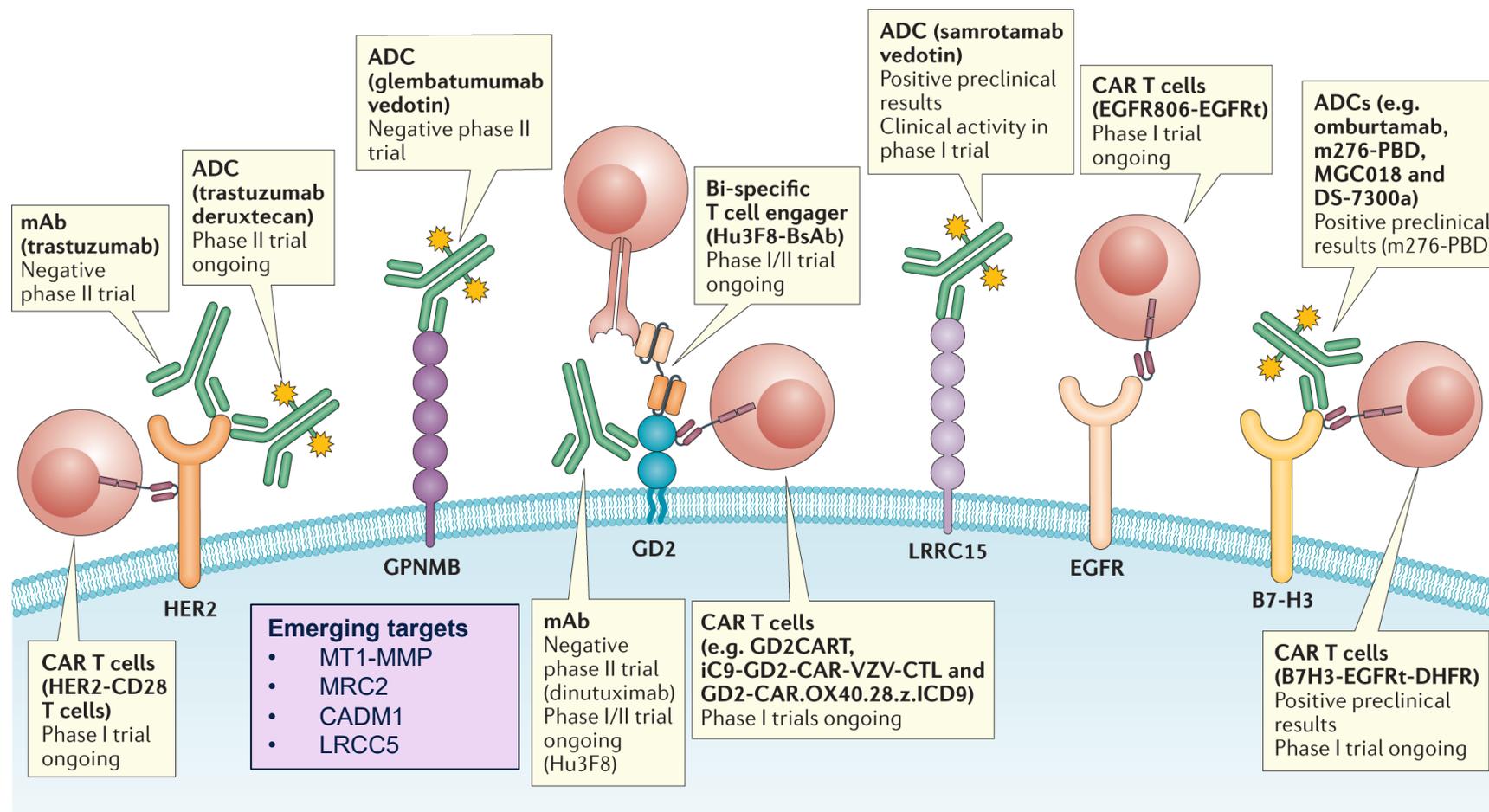
⁵NCT06021626

³NCT05588648

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Strategies targeting the osteosarcoma surfaceome



Recent ADC trials

Agent (Target)	Phase	Population	Key Outcomes
Glembatumumab vedotin (gpNMB) ¹	II	R/R osteosarcoma (n=22); 12-50y	1PR, 2 SD
Trastuzumab deruxtecan (HER2-DXd) ²	II	R/R osteosarcoma (n=9); 12-39y	No responses (1 SD); halted for fertility
ABBV-085 (LRRC15) ³	I	Advanced solid tumors; ≥18y (n=10) [†]	Safe and tolerable; 4PRs [‡]
Mecbotamab vedotin (CAB-AXL-ADC) ⁴	I/II	Advanced sarcomas; (n=11) [†]	3mo PFS 45.5%; mPFS 2.8mo; 2 PRs
HS-20093* (B7-H3) ⁵	II	R/R sarcomas (n=34) [†]	2PRs [#] , 100% (10/10) [#]

*Ongoing trial. †Osteosarcoma cohort. ‡Osteosarcoma + UPS cohort; # 12mg/kg dose, median follow-up 4mos

Abbreviations: PR = partial response; SD = stable disease; mPFS = median PFS; DCR = disease control rate

Early-phase ADCs against select surfaceome targets show promise and warrant continued clinical evaluation.

¹ Kopp et. al, 2019

² Reed et. al, ASCO, 2023

³ Demetri et. al, 2021

⁴ Pollack et. al, ESMO, 2024; NCT03425279

⁵ Xie et. al, ASCO, 2024; NCT05830123

Active chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) therapy trials

Agent (Target)	Phase	Population
GD2 CART ^{1*}	I	R/R osteosarcoma and neuroblastoma
B7-H3 CART ^{2*}	I/II	Advanced solid tumors; ≤26y
EGFR806 ³	I	Advanced EGFR+ solid tumors; 1-30y
FITC-E2-CART + folate-fluorescein (UB-TT170) ⁴	I	R/R osteosarcoma; 15-30y
CAR.70 / IL-15 cord blood-derived NK cells ⁵	I	Advanced CD70+ osteosarcoma, mesothelioma, RCC; 16-80y

*Feasible and safe, limited responses to date, ongoing correlative biology^{1,2}

¹NCT04539366 (GD2-CART PERSIST), Kaczanowska, et. al, 2024

²NCT04483778 (STRivE02), Pinto et. al, 2024

³NCT04483778 (STRivE01), Albert et. al, ASCO, 2022

⁴NCT05312411 (ENLIGHten-01), Albert et. al, ASCO, 2022

⁵NCT05703854

Other active cellular therapy trials

Agent	Phase	Population
Autologous tumor infiltrating lymphocytes ¹	I/II	Advanced solid tumors; ≤21y
AttIL12-T-cell therapy ²	I	Advanced sarcomas; ≥12y
Donor NK cells + gemcitabine/docetaxel ³	II	Advanced sarcomas; 2-40y
CRX100 (NKT-cell therapy) ± pembrolizumab ⁴	I	Advanced solid tumors; ≥18y
Donor immune cells* + dinutuximab + chemo ⁵	I	Advanced osteosarcoma and neuroblastoma; ≥1y
Afamitresgene autoleucel (MAGE A4 TCR therapy) ⁶	I/II	Advanced MAGE-A4 positive solid tumors; 2-21y

*Allogenic Ex Vivo Expanded Gamma Delta T Cells; Abbreviations: AttL12: T-cell membrane-anchored tumor targeted IL12; NK: natural killer; TCR: T-cell receptor therapy ; RNA-LP: ribonucleic acid lipid nanoparticle; pHGG: pediatric high-grade glioma

¹ NCT03449108

² NCT05621668

³ NCT05634369 (TINKS)

⁴ NCT04282044

⁵ NCT05400603

⁶ NCT05642455 (Spearhead-03)

Summary of immunotherapy approaches in ongoing trials

Checkpoint inhibitors

- Atezolizumab (PD-1) + cabozantinib
- Oleclumab (CD37) + durvalumab (PD-L1)
- Nivolumab (PD-1) ± azacitidine³
- Atezolizumab + SBRT

Immune modulators

- Listeria-HER2 vaccine
- Vactosertib (TGFβi)
- RNA-LP vaccine
- CRD3874-SI (STING agonist)

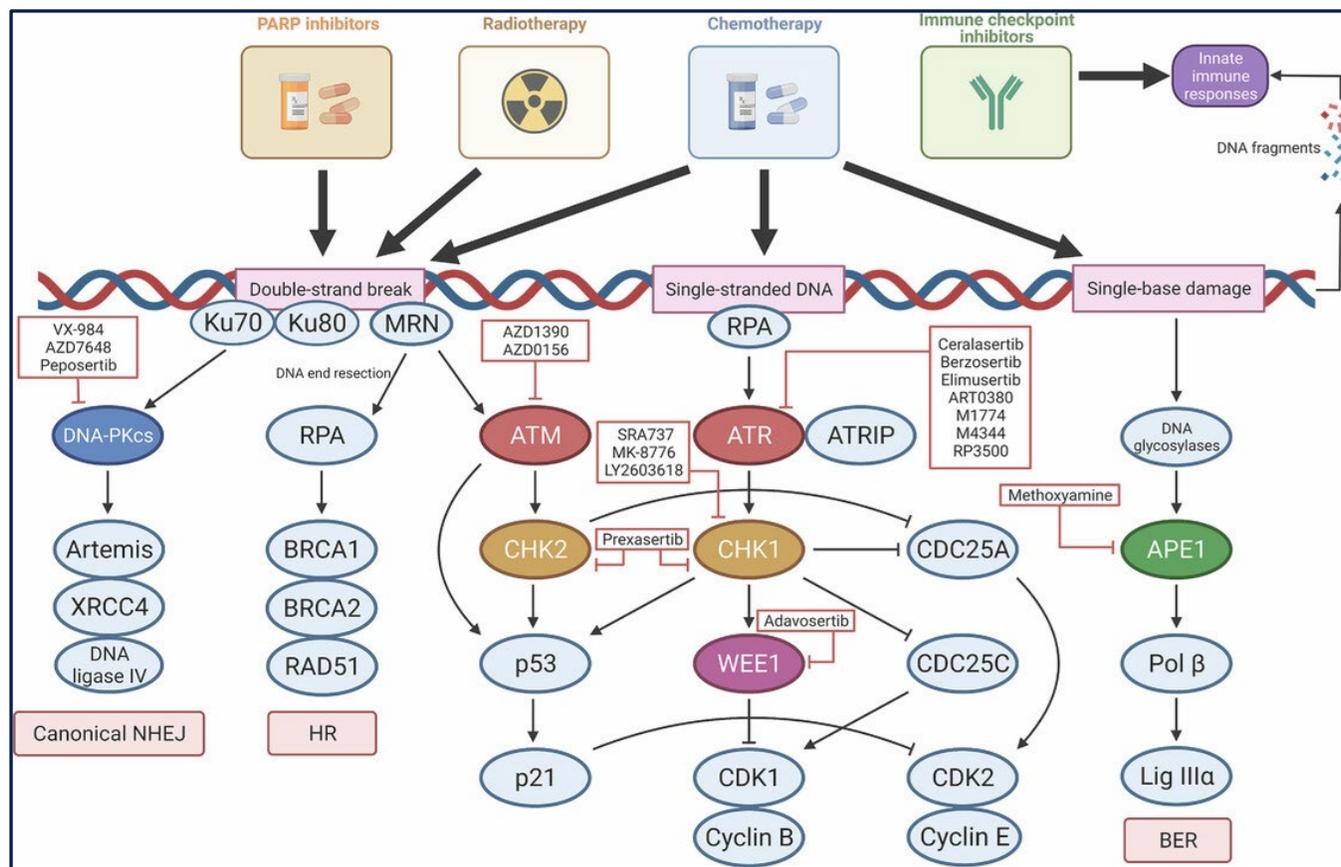
Cellular therapy

- GD2 CART
- B7-H3 CART
- EGFR806 CART
- FITC-E2-CART
- CAR.70/IL-15 CB NK cells
- Afami-cel (MAGE-4)
- Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes
- AttIL12-T cell therapy
- Donor NK cells + gemcitabine/docetaxel
- CRX100 (NKT-cell therapy) +/- pembro
- Donor Immune Cells, Dinutuximab, irino/tem, zolendronate

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Targeting the DNA damage response (DDR)



“BRCA-like” biology in osteosarcoma suggest opportunities to drug DDR¹⁻³

Chen et. al, 2022

¹ Kovac et. al, 2015

² Barenboim et. al, 2021

³ Kinnaman et. al, 2022 (ASCO)

Recent trials targeting DDR in osteosarcoma

Agent(s)	Phase, N	Key Outcomes
Olaparib (PARPi) + Ceralasertib (ATRI) ¹	Phase II, 37 (measurable disease cohort)	4-mo EFS 13.5%; 1 PR
ZN-c3 (WEE1i) + Gemcitabine ²	Phase I/II, 31	Well tolerated; 18-wk EFS 39%

- Ongoing efforts to develop new trials targeting DDR and explore predictive biomarkers
- Key determinant of agents selected for future trials = **access**

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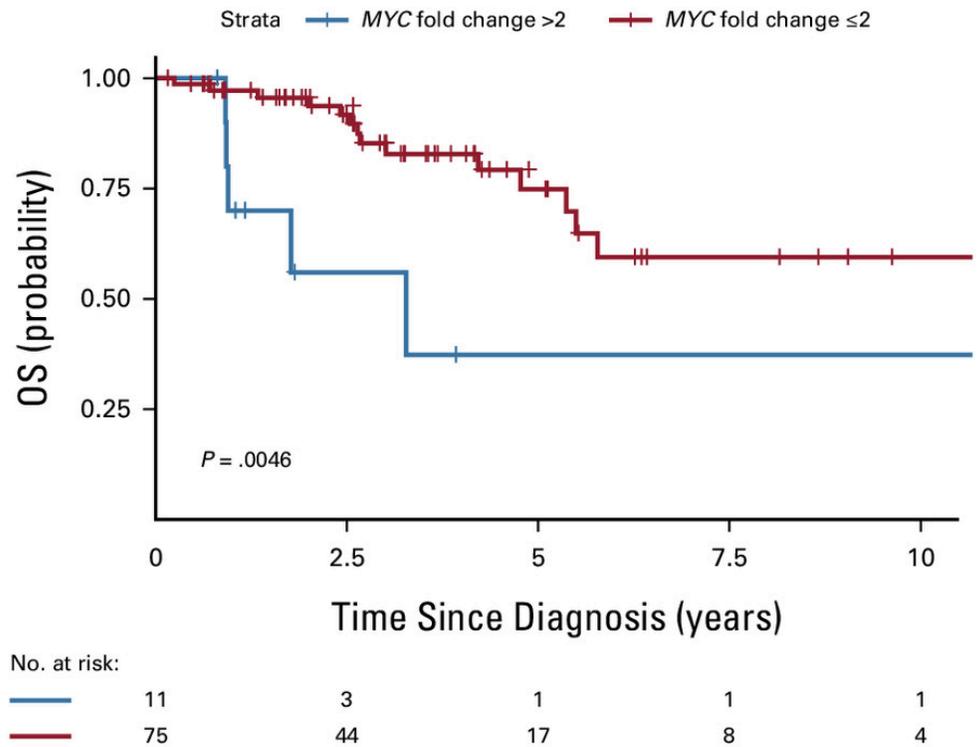
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Active trials of targeted inhibitors

Agent (Target)	Phase	Population
Abemaciclib (CDK4/6) ¹	II	Sarcoma with CDK pathway alterations; ≥18y
Tegavivint (Wnt pathway) ²	I/II	R/R solid tumors; 1–30y
Tegavivint (Wnt) + gemcitabine ³	I	R/R osteosarcoma; 1–30y
OMO-103 (MYC)⁴	II	R/R osteosarcoma; ≥12y

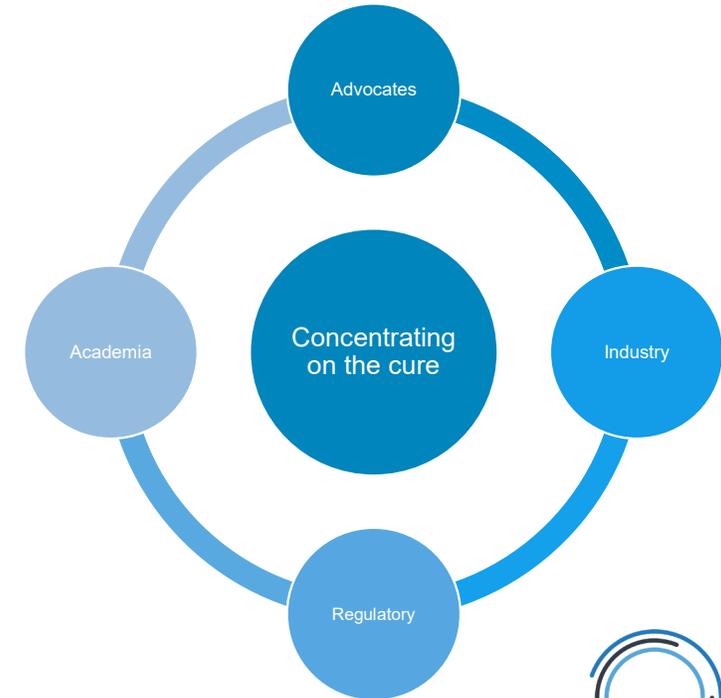
Multi-stakeholder partnerships enable the OSTEOMYC trial*

MYC-activated osteosarcoma is associated with poor prognosis¹⁻⁷



Marinoff et. al, *JCO PO*, 2023

*Phase II pilot study of OMO-103 in advanced osteosarcoma



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¹ Marinoff et. al, 2023.

² Smida et. al, 2010

³ Meltzer et. al, 2020

⁴ De Noon et. al, 2021

⁵ Jiang et. al, 2022

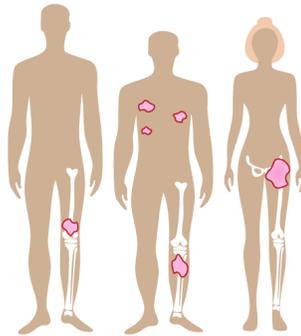
⁶ Van Ewijk et. al, 2025

⁷ Nagy et. al 2025 (ASCO)

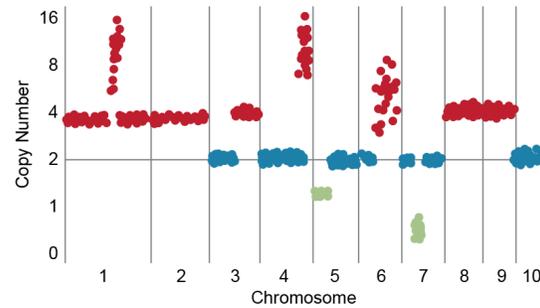
Ongoing efforts to define biomarkers in osteosarcoma

Prognostic and Biologic Risk Classifiers in Osteosarcoma

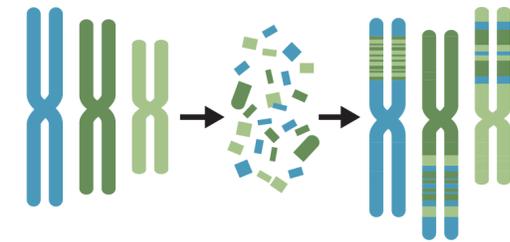
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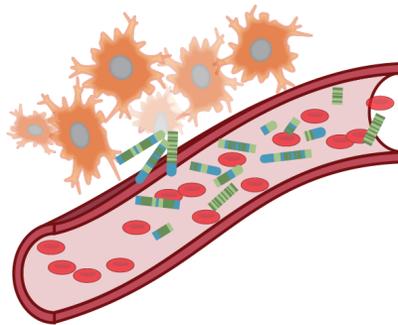
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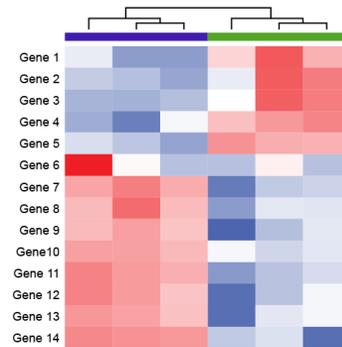
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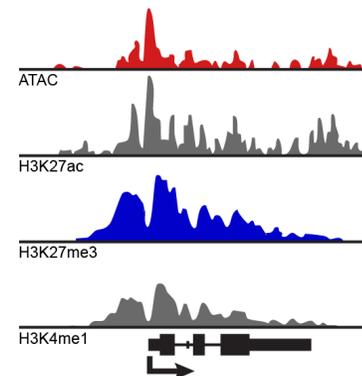
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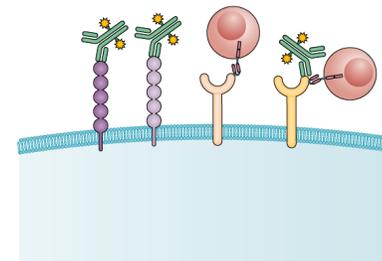
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Summary and conclusions

- No meaningful survival gains or new treatments approved in ~40 years
- Multiple strategies in the trial pipeline, but definitive breakthroughs remains elusive
- **Unmet needs require collaborative solutions:**
 - Access to novel drugs
 - Biology-driven approaches
 - Innovative trial designs
 - Multi-stakeholder partnerships

Thank you

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FDA Regulatory Considerations for Rare Cancer Product Development

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FDA Mission



The Food and Drug Administration is responsible for protecting the public health by ensuring the **safety, efficacy, and security** of human and veterinary drugs, biological products, and medical devices; and by ensuring the safety of our nation's food supply, cosmetics, and products that emit radiation.

New drugs and biologics need to be proven **safe and effective** through adequate and well-controlled studies before they can be marketed.

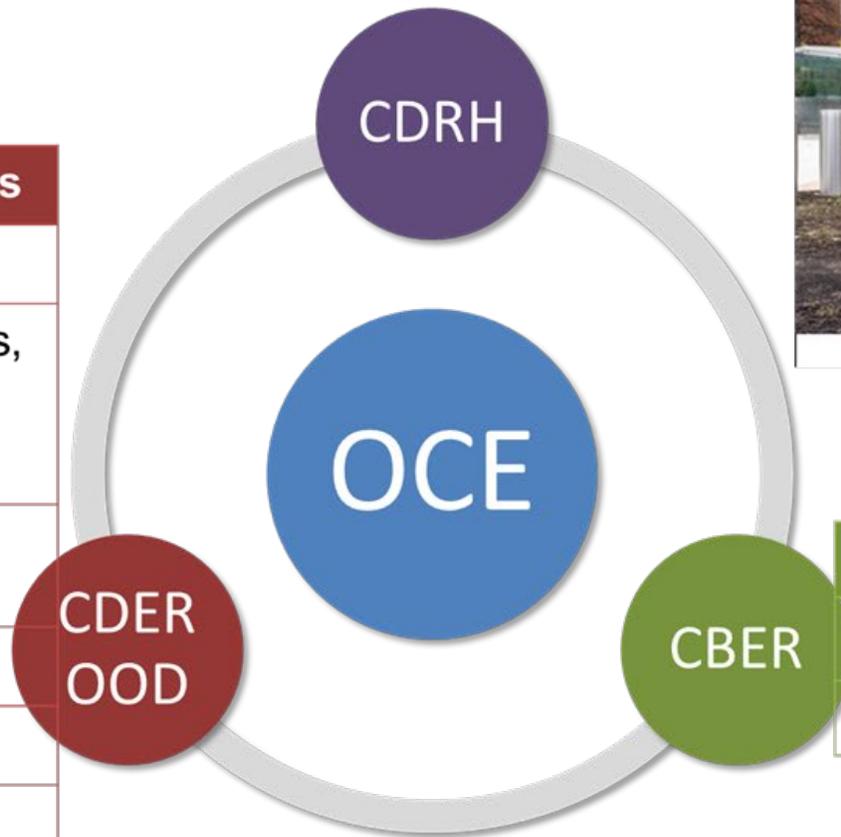
Important to note:

- FDA **does not** consider cost or payment issues
- FDA **does not** regulate “practice of medicine”

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Division	Pediatric indications
DO1	N/A
DO2	Pediatric solid tumors, neuro-oncology, rare tumors
DO3	Sarcomas, skin cancers
DHM1	Acute leukemias
DHM2	Lymphomas
DHOT	Non-clinical pharmacology



Pediatric indications
Cell and gene therapies
Vaccines

Multidisciplinary Review Teams



Project Management



Non-Clinical Pharmacology & Toxicology



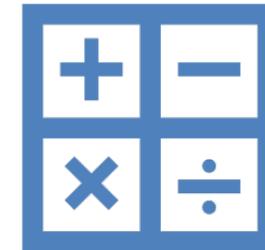
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Clinical Pharmacology



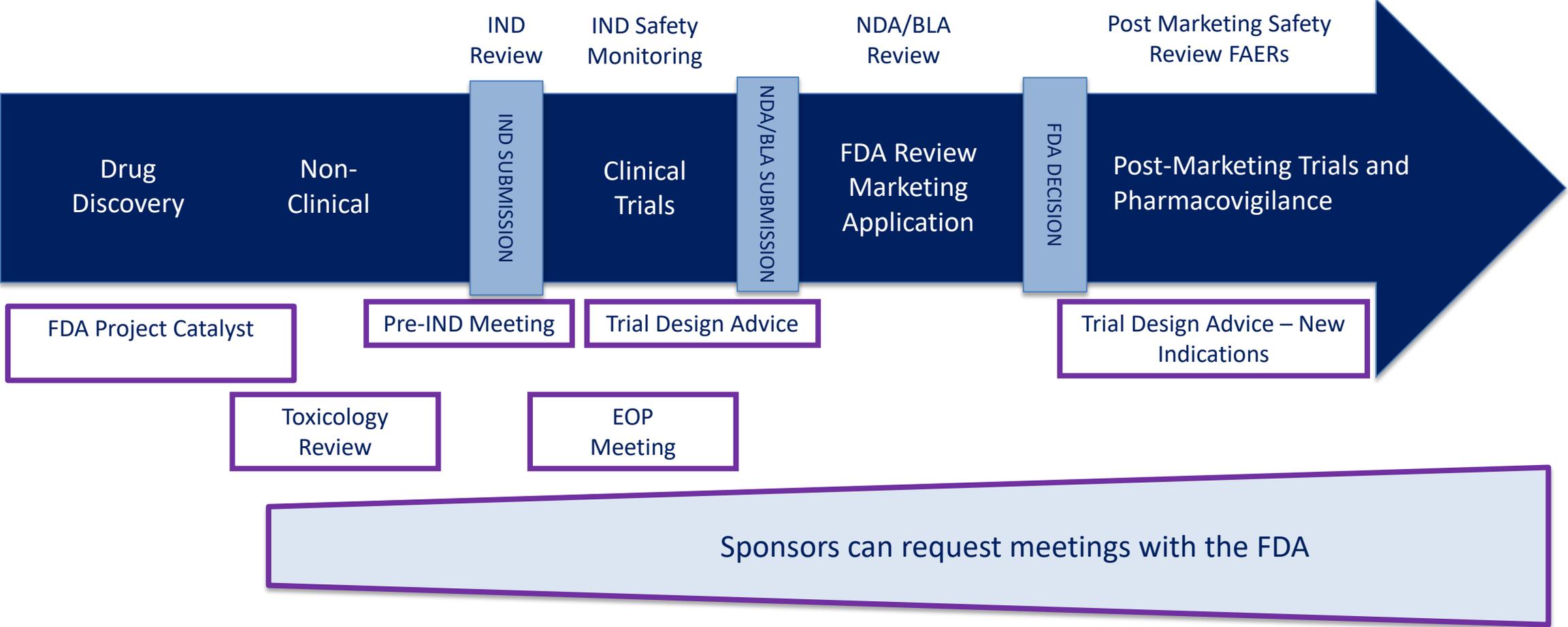
Clinical Team (Specialty Expertise)



Statistics



Drug Development Process



Project Catalyst

- Fosters early-stage oncology product innovation and development
- Facilitates scientific discussion, education, guidance, and regulatory engagement
- OREEG: Oncology Regulatory Expertise and Early Guidance program



<https://www.fda.gov/about-fda/oncology-center-excellence/project-catalyst>



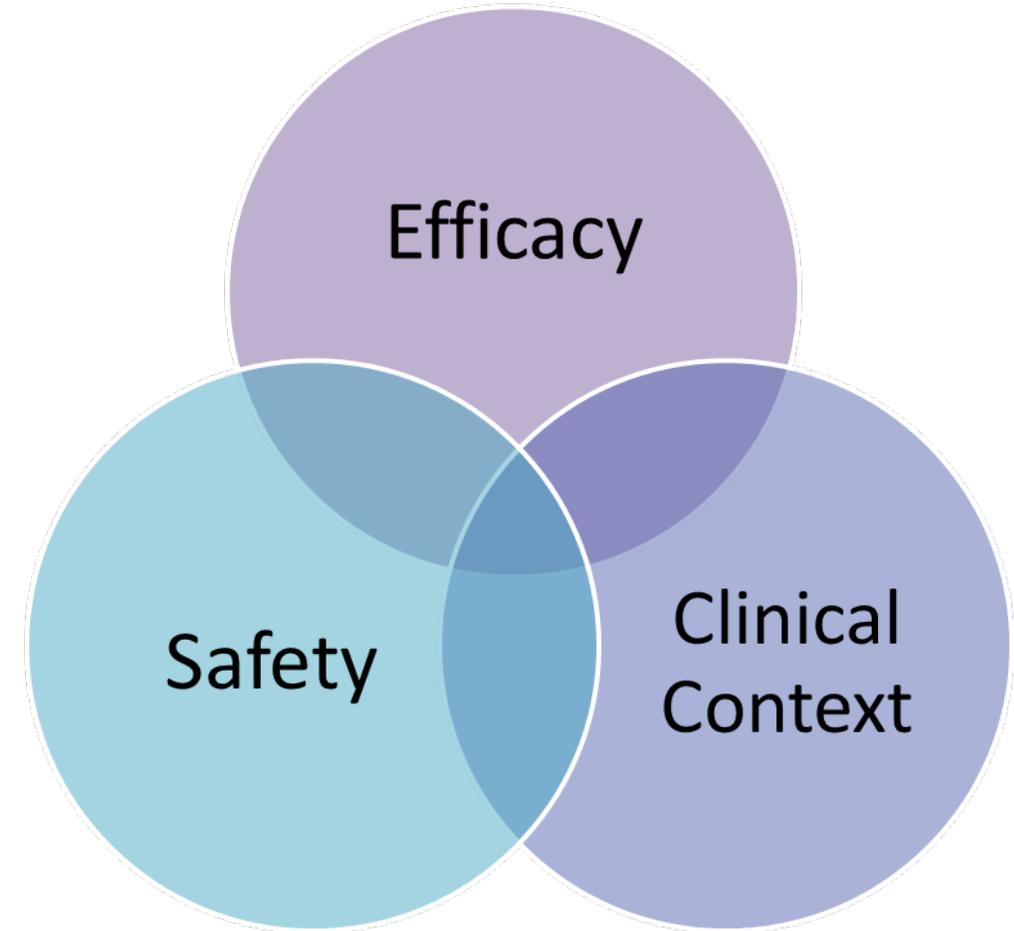
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Requirements for Drug Approval

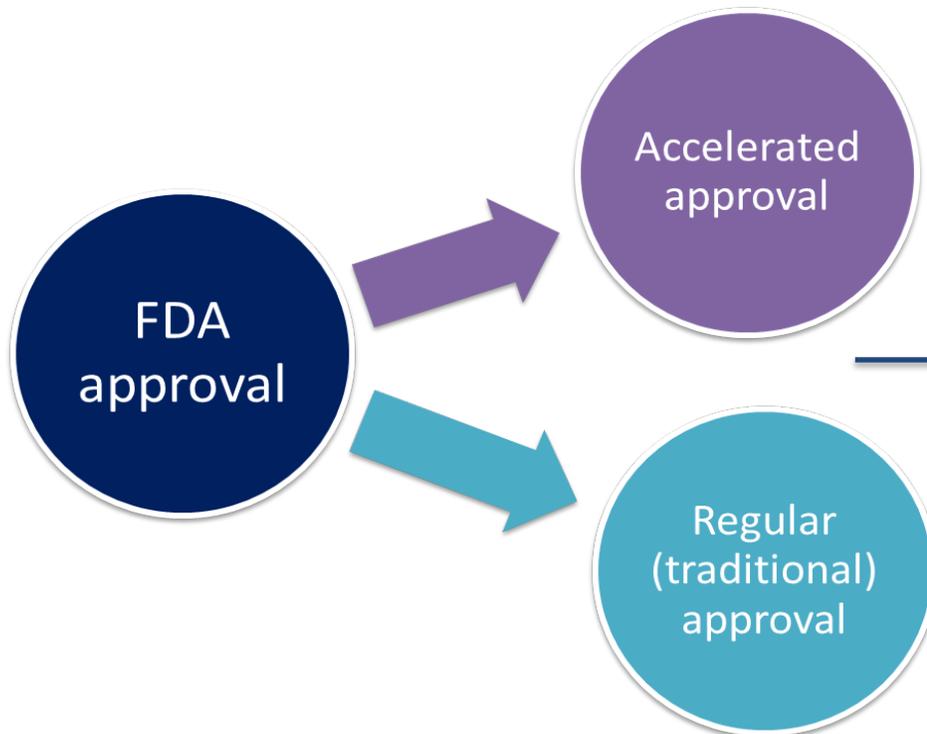


- Substantial evidence of effectiveness with acceptable safety in adequate and well-controlled studies
- FDA examines the evidence in the context of the disease, study design, endpoints selected, and strength of the evidence
- Ability to generate product labeling that:
 - Defines an appropriate patient population
 - Provides adequate information to enable safe and effective use



Approval Pathways

Guiding principle: The drug must demonstrate substantial evidence of effectiveness through adequate and well-controlled studies



- Intermediate clinical endpoint reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit
 - Meaningful therapeutic benefit over available therapies
 - May require confirmatory trial(s) to verify benefit
-
- No requirement to be better than available therapies
 - Endpoint demonstrates direct clinical benefit

Accelerated Approval Additional Considerations



- Eligibility should be discussed during development (prior to submitting application)
 - Proposed endpoints for approval
 - Design and conduct of confirmatory trial(s)
- FDA generally intends to require that the confirmatory trial(s) be underway prior to the accelerated approval action.
- Can be withdrawn if confirmatory trial(s) not conducted or do not verify predicted clinical benefit

Accelerated Approval and Considerations for Determining Whether a Confirmatory Trial is Underway Guidance for Industry

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Challenges for Rare Cancers



- Difficulty enrolling sufficient number of patients to clinical trials
- Decreased financial incentives for drug development
- Insufficient understanding of the cancer pathophysiology, molecular characteristics, and natural history
- Limited or lack of timely access to molecular testing to determine eligibility for treatment with targeted therapies
- Difficulty conducting randomized trials, due to small patient numbers or lack of appropriate therapy to use as a comparator
- Specific considerations are needed for pediatric populations (e.g., drug formulation for oral therapies)

Application Approval

FDA Regulations and Flexibility



- **21 CFR 314.105(c)**
 - FDA is required to exercise its scientific judgment to determine the kind and quantity of data and information an applicant is required to provide for a particular drug to meet the statutory standards for safety and effectiveness
- **21 CFR 312, subpart E – *Drugs intended to Treat Life-threatening and Severely-debilitating Illnesses***
 - FDA “has determined that it is appropriate to exercise the broadest flexibility in applying the statutory standards, while preserving appropriate guarantees for safety and effectiveness”

Potential Areas of Flexibility

Demonstrating Substantial Evidence of Effectiveness for Human Drug and Biological Products Guidance for Industry

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Number of Trials

Trial Design

Trial Endpoints

Statistical Considerations

Expedited Programs

Intent: to help ensure that therapies for serious conditions are approved and available to patients as soon as it can be concluded that the therapies' benefits justify their risks

- For drugs and biologics:
 - Accelerated Approval
 - Fast Track Designation
 - Breakthrough Therapy Designation
 - Priority Review



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- **Pediatric Regulations**

History of Pediatric Legislation

Early Legislation

- 1902 - Biologics Control Act
- 1906 - Pure Food and Drug Act
- 1938 - Food Drug and Cosmetic Act
- 1962 - Kefauver-Harris Amendment

1979
Pediatric Use
Subsection
under
Precautions

1997
FDAMA/
Pediatric
exclusivity
provision

2002
Best
Pharmaceuticals
for Children Act
(BPCA)

2003
Pediatric
Research Equity
Act (PREA)

2007
Food & Drug
Administration
Amendments
Act (FDAAA)

2012
FDA Safety and
Innovation Act
(FDASIA)

2017
FDA
Reauthorization
Act (FDARA)

PREA amended to require pediatric investigations of drugs directed at molecular targets considered relevant in pediatric cancer regardless of the adult indication

BPCA and PREA Programs

BPCA

- **Voluntary** studies
- Proposed Pediatric Study Request (PPSR)/Written Request (WR)
- No waiver
- Studies relate to entire moiety and **may expand indications**
- **6-month patent extension**

PREA

- **Mandatory** studies
- Adult submission /Initial Pediatric Study Plan (iPSP)
- Criteria for waiver
- **Studies only in indications under review**
- **Under FDARA, orphan indications no longer exempt**

FDA Reauthorization Act (FDARA)



Requires evaluation of certain new molecularly targeted drugs and biologics “intended for the treatment of adult cancers and directed at a molecular target substantially relevant to the growth or progression of a pediatric cancer.”

- Applies even if the adult cancer indication does not occur in the pediatric population
- Applies even if the drug is for an adult indication for which orphan drug designation has been granted
- Reports on the molecularly targeted pediatric cancer investigation required under section 505B(a)(3) of the FD&C Act must be submitted with the marketing application, unless FDA waives or defers the requirement



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Key Takeaways

- Development of drugs to treat rare cancers, like osteosarcoma, can be challenging but OCE has numerous resources that can be leveraged to help
- FDA approval requires substantial evidence of effectiveness irrespective of cancer prevalence
- FDA can exercise flexibility in applying statutory standards for safety and effectiveness when warranted, and under specific circumstances
- FDA encourages early and frequent meetings with sponsors/investigators during the drug development process
- FDA encourages interactions with stakeholders to discuss drug development programs for rare cancers

Relevant FDA Resources



- **DRAFT Guidance for Industry**

- 2019: *Demonstrating Substantial Evidence of Effectiveness for Human Drug and Biological Products*
- 2023: *Demonstrating Substantial Evidence of Effectiveness with One Adequate and Well-Controlled Clinical Investigation*
- 2023: *Pediatric Drug Development: Regulatory Considerations - Complying with PREA and Qualifying for Pediatric Exclusivity under BPCA*
- 2022: *Tissue Agnostic Drug Development in Oncology*

- **FINAL Guidance for Industry**

- 2023: *Rare Diseases: Considerations for the Development of Drugs and Biological Products*
- 2021: *FDARA Implementation Guidance for Pediatric Studies of Molecularly Targeted Oncology Drugs: Amendments to Sec. 505B of the FD&C Act*
- 2020: *Pediatric Study Plans: Content of and Process for Submitting Initial Pediatric Study Plans and Amended Initial Pediatric Study Plans*
- 2019: *Consideration for the Inclusion of Adolescent Patients in Adult Oncology Clinical Trials*

OCE Rare Cancers Program

Promoting development of new drug and biological products to treat patients with rare cancers



Pediatric Oncology

Promoting the development of safe and effective new drugs and biologics to treat cancer in children





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Session 3

Targeting Osteosarcoma

11:00 – 11:20 AM

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Emerging therapeutic opportunities in Osteosarcoma

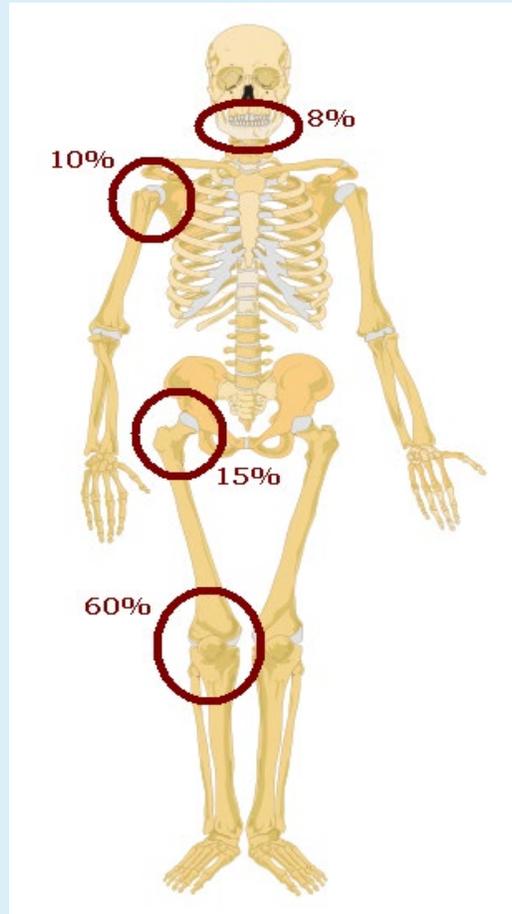
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Osteosarcoma (OS): clinical perspectives

A rare disease:
800 patients/year in the US

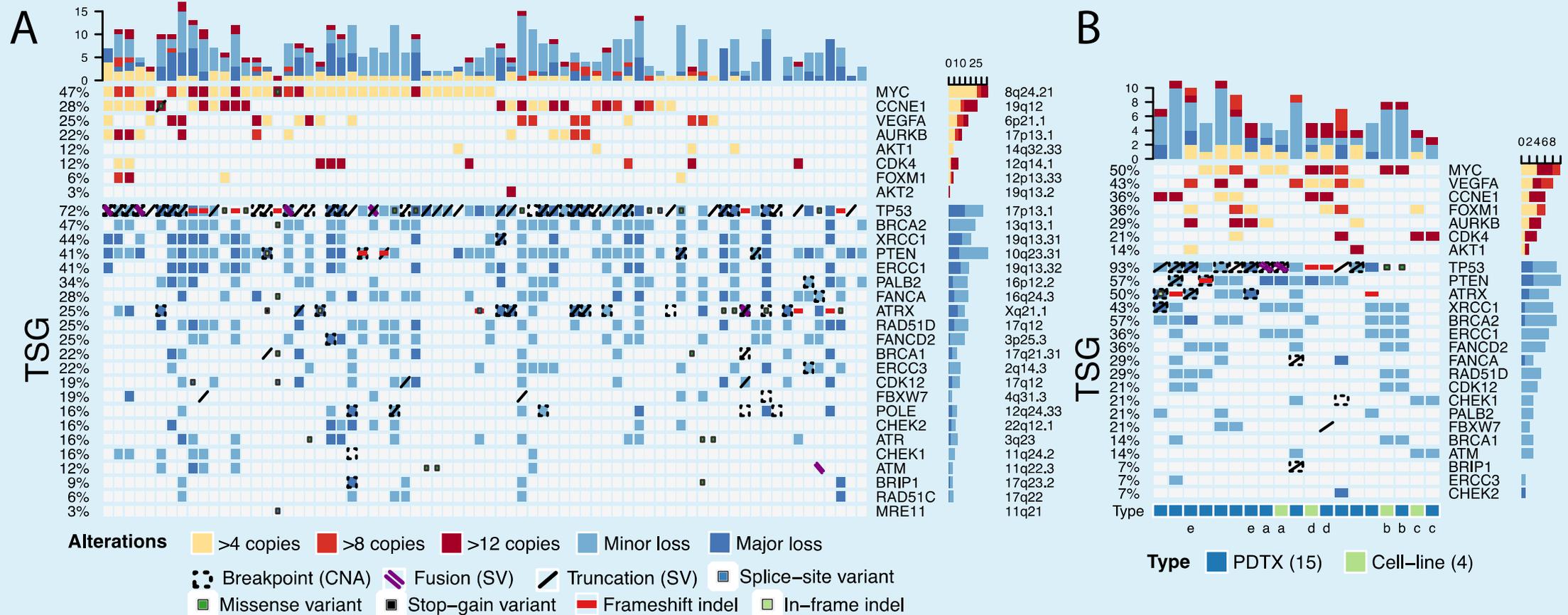
Peak incidence
at puberty

Metastasis is common

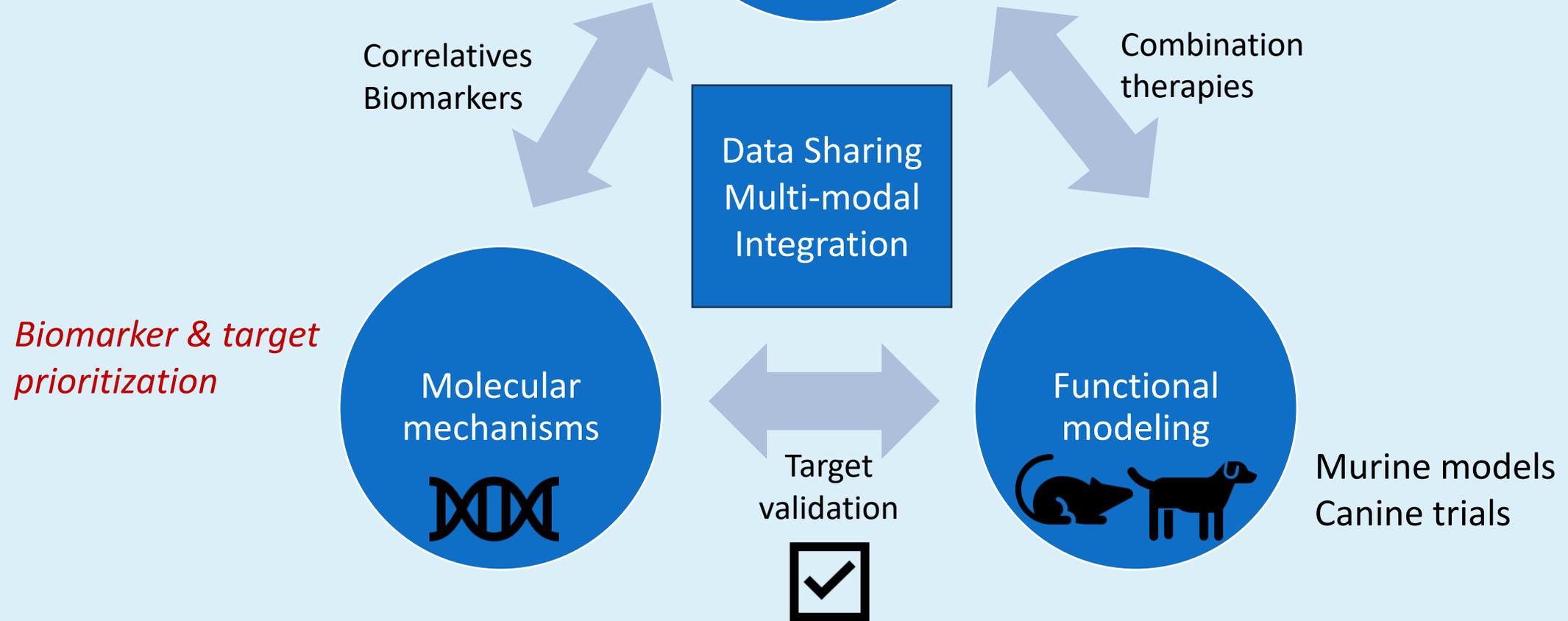


- Treatment (MAP+surgery)
unchanged in 40 years

Genomic Alterations in DDR related pathways in osteosarcoma



Accelerating New therapies by learning from OS patients



Emerging tumor-cell directed therapies

- Kinase and other cell signaling inhibitors
 - TKIs (cabozantinib, reforafenib, etc.)
 - Trametinib
- MYC (omo-myc trial)
- DNA damaging agents
 - PARPi
 - ATRi
- Antibody-drug conjugates
 - B7H3, LRCC15, others.
 - Various payloads
- CDK inhibitors (CID-078, CDK12, etc.)
- Radiopharmaceuticals
- Her2

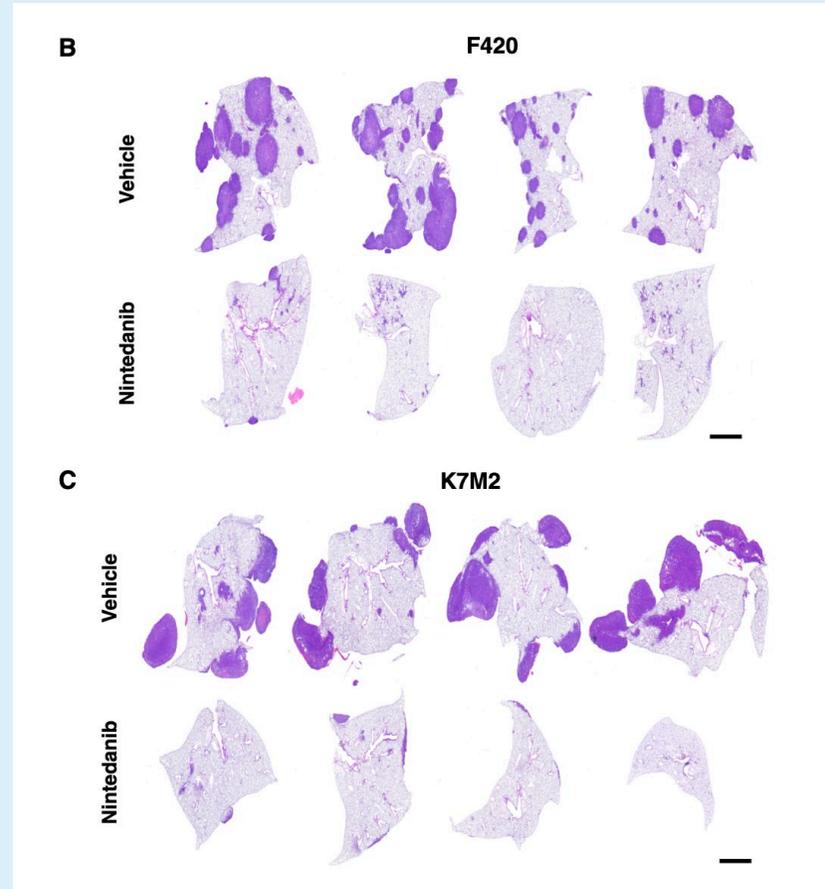
- *This is not an exhaustive list...*

Emerging immunomodulators

- STING agonists
- ENPP1 inhibitors
- TGFb inhibitors
- Checkpoint inhibitors

Targeting the metastatic microenvironment

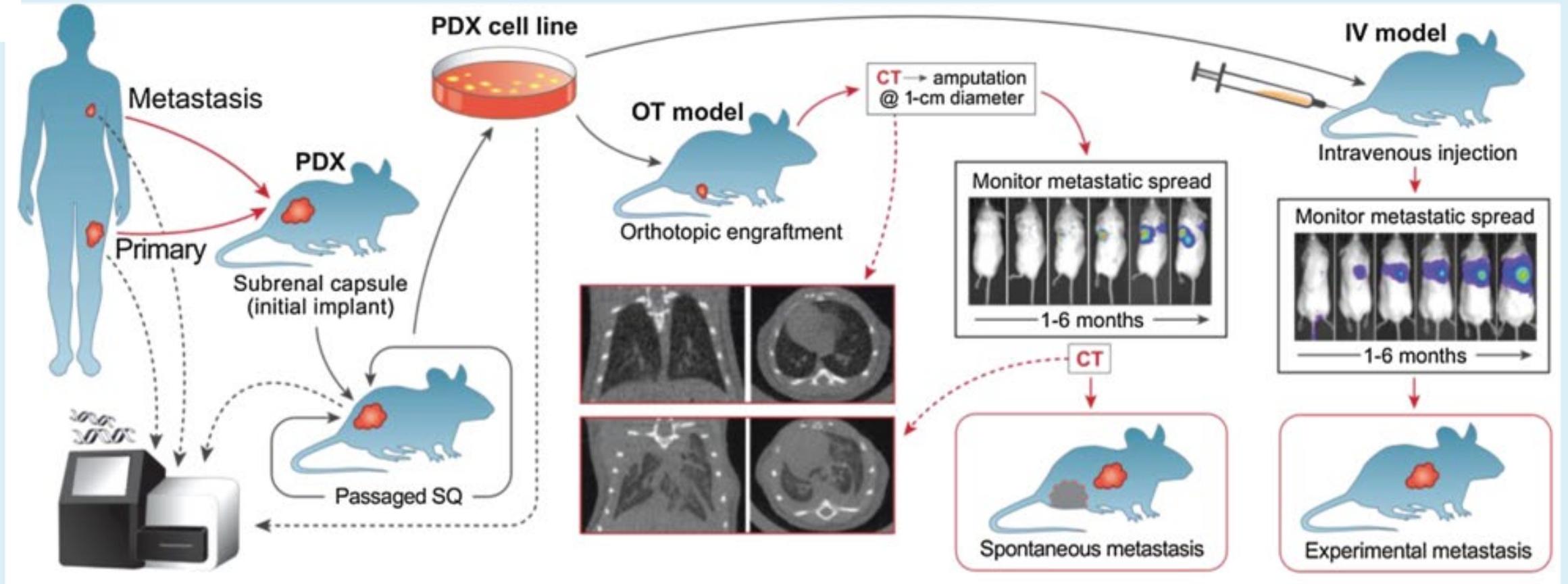
- Nintedanib



Preclinical models for drug testing

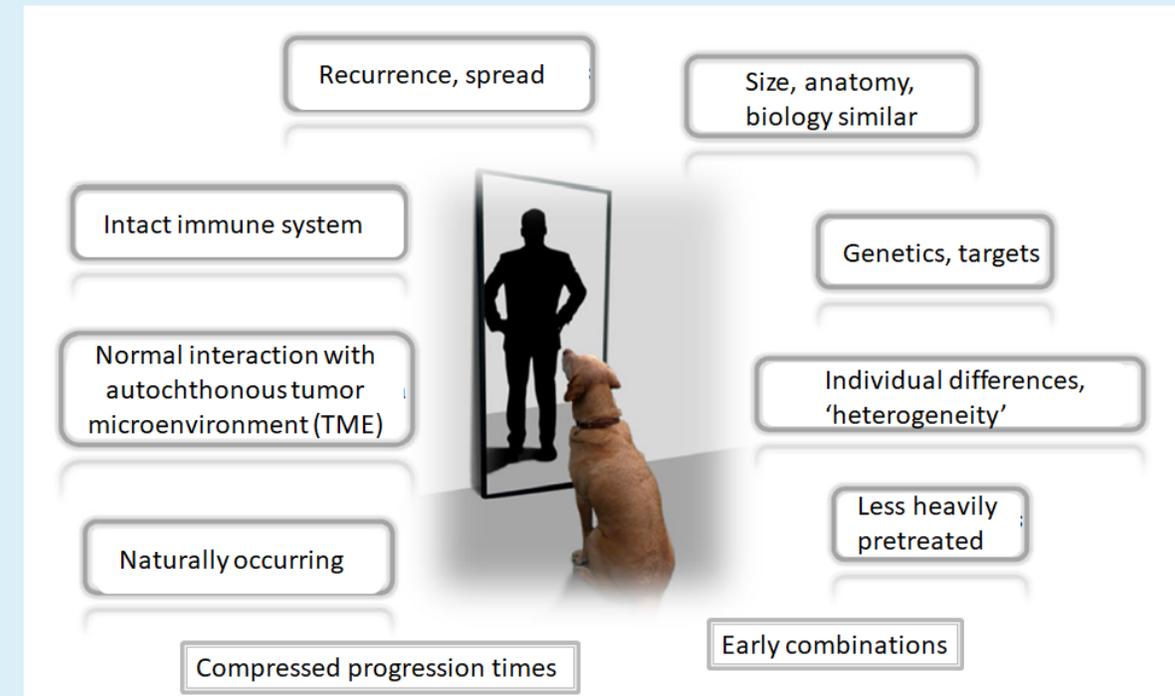
- Dogs
- Mice
- Ex vivo (PUMA assay, short-term tumor cultures)
- In vitro
 - Standard tissue culture (cell lines)
 - 3D models/organoids

Orthotopic human-in-mouse model to study primary and metastatic OS



Leveraging Canine Cancers for Preclinical Interrogation

- Provide information regarding expected and unexpected adverse events, especially in the context of comorbidities; validated HRQoL
- Evaluate novel drug combinations/therapeutic modality integration
- Longitudinal assessments of individual patients with biomarker collection
- Similar imaging and intervention modalities with comparable outcome assessments
- Opportunity to treat naive macroscopic or microscopic disease
- Less regulatory oversight; rapid adaptation to clinical findings
- Intact immune system remodeled from past challenges



Important unanswered questions

- Are there subtypes of osteosarcoma with unique vulnerabilities?
 - Transcriptional/epigenetic subtypes
 - Genomic subtypes
 - Hot vs cold tumors
 - Alt driven vs non-alt driven
- Should clinical trials be powered to detect signal in subtypes that are still poorly defined?
- Should we design trial to treat metastatic disease vs. prevent emergence of metastasis?



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Trial Design & Endpoints in Osteosarcoma

11:45 AM – 12:45 PM

*Advancing Osteosarcoma Drug Development – Connecting Research and Regulatory Pathways for Improved Outcomes
October 10, 2025 (9:30am – 5pm ET)*



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Regulatory Perspective on Endpoints and Trial Design in Osteosarcoma

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FDA Role in Oncology Drug Development



Substantial Evidence of Effectiveness

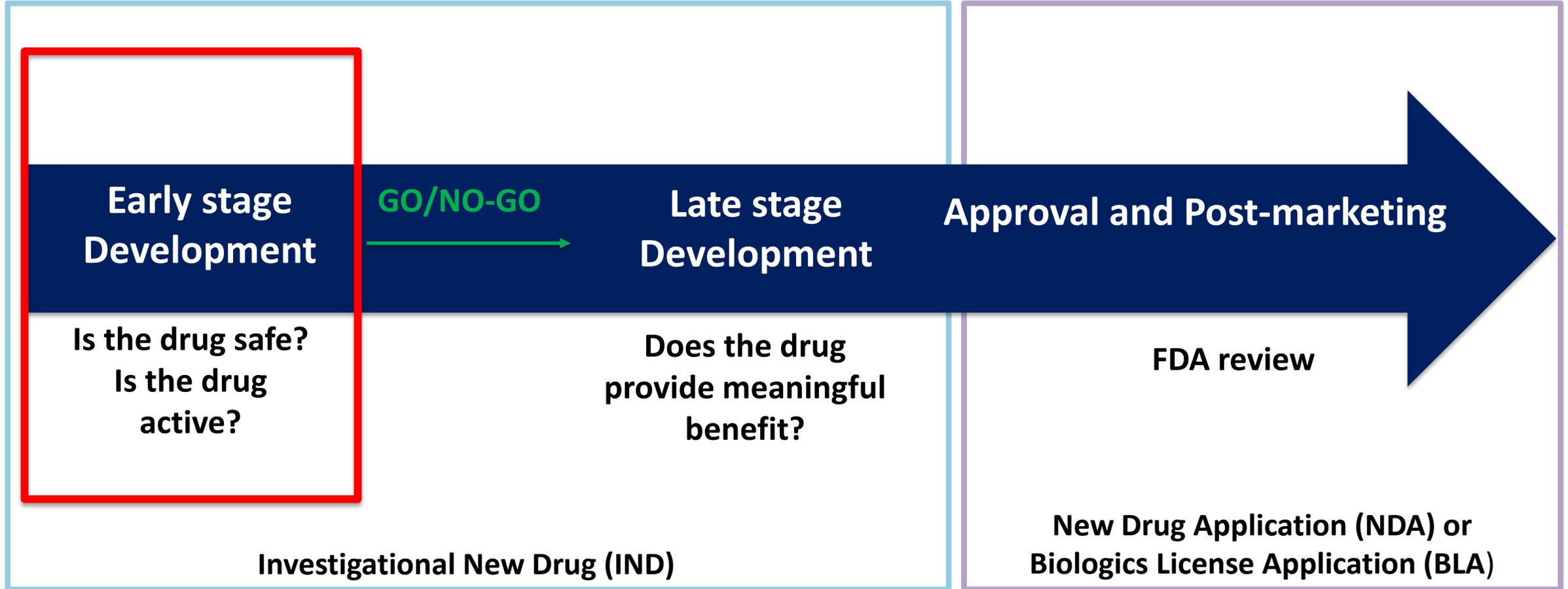


- Approval requires “substantial evidence” of safety & effectiveness supported by “**adequate and well-controlled**” clinical data – 21 CFR 314.126
 - ***Regular Approval:*** Demonstration of direct clinical benefit
 - ***Accelerated Approval:*** Intermediate clinical endpoint reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit
- Evidentiary standards for marketing approval and change in clinical practice may differ

Endpoints in Oncology Clinical Trials

- **Objective Response Rate (ORR)**
 - Allows for single-arm design
 - Earlier measurement of effect
 - Imaging interpretation required → difficult in osteosarcoma disease context
- **Progression-Free Survival (PFS) or Event-Free Survival (EFS)**
 - Requires control arm
 - Earlier readout than overall survival
 - Event occurs prior to crossover
- **Overall Survival (OS)**
 - Generally requires control arm
 - Direct measure of clinical benefit, incorporates safety information
 - Easily measured
 - Longest to read out
 - May be confounded by cross-over and subsequent therapies

Appropriate Trial Design Depends on Stage of Development

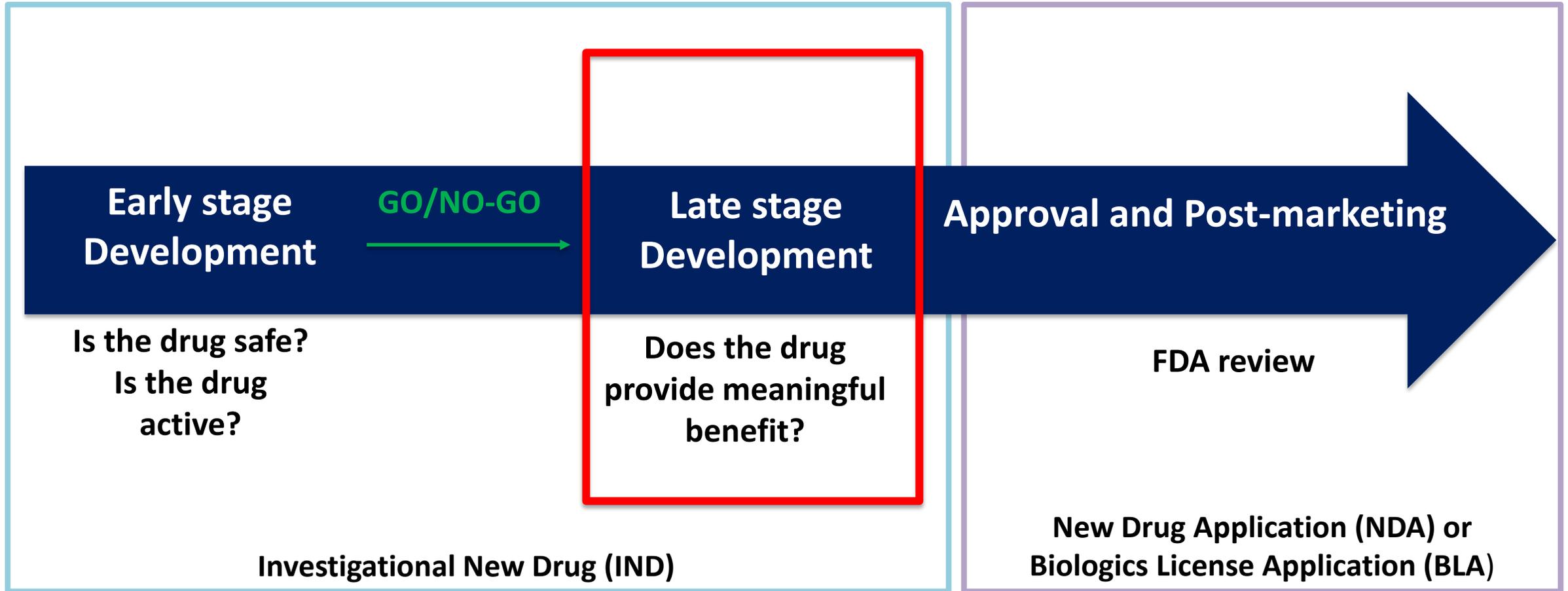


Signal-Finding Studies in Osteosarcoma



- Typically conducted in relapsed/refractory setting
- Goal is to **expeditiously** evaluate whether a drug has activity
 - Randomized trials often not feasible at this stage of development
 - ORR may underestimate drug activity
- **Historical benchmarks are reasonable to use in this setting**
 - Studies for patients with measurable disease: EFS>4 months
 - Studies for patients with resected disease: EFS>12 months

Appropriate Trial Design Depends on Stage of Development





Trial Design Considerations for Late-Stage Development in Osteosarcoma

- Dependent on multiple factors
 - Disease setting
 - Newly-diagnosed
 - Relapsed/refractory
 - Completed treatment with high risk of relapse ("maintenance")
 - Mechanism of action
 - Presence or absence of measurable disease
 - Observation of tumor shrinkage in signal-finding studies
 - Approval pathway
- Randomized controlled trials needed for interpretation of time-to-event primary endpoints (EFS, PFS, OS)
- Meet with FDA early to discuss trial design for a specific product

Potential Approaches for Randomized Controlled Trials



- Active comparator control arms
 - Investigator's choice
 - Add-on design
- Alternative randomization ratios (e.g., 2:1, 3:1)
- Platform trial with common control
- Crossover design
- Seamless design with adaptive elements

Incorporation of Novel Endpoints



- Common interest in development of novel endpoints (e.g., ctDNA) that enable earlier efficacy assessment
- Novel endpoints must be **prospectively validated** prior to use as a primary endpoint in a registrational trial

Project Endpoint

Advancing the use of endpoints in oncology drug development

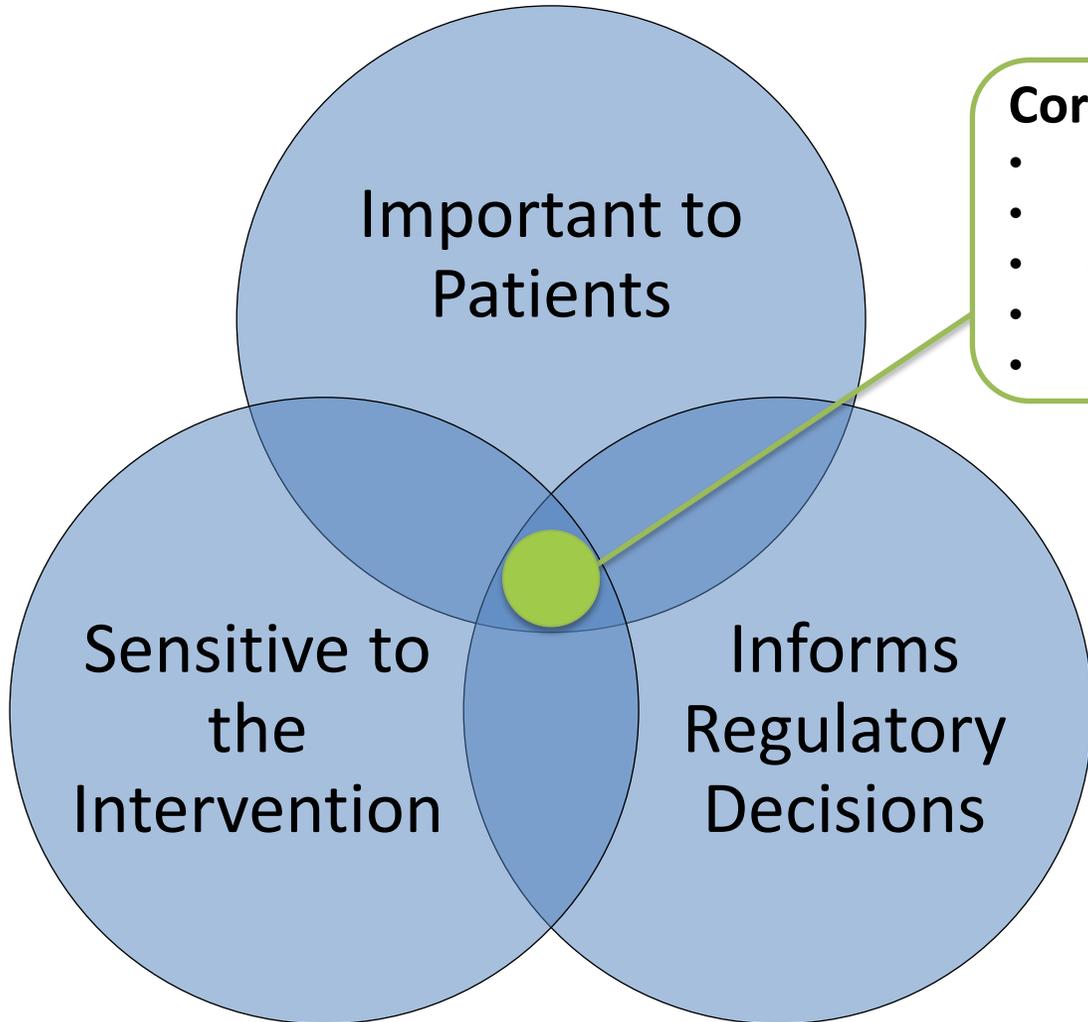


GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Use of Circulating Tumor Deoxyribonucleic Acid for Early-Stage Solid Tumor Drug Development; Guidance for Industry; Availability

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Patient-Reported Outcomes (PROs)



Core Clinical Outcomes

- Disease-Related Symptoms
- Symptomatic Adverse Events
- Overall Side Effect Impact
- Physical Function
- Role Function

Core Patient-Reported Outcomes in Cancer Clinical Trials Guidance for Industry

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Enrollment of Pediatric Patients

- Patients 12 years of age and older should generally be included early in development
 - First-in-human trials: obtain initial safety data in adults
- Inclusion of patients <12 years of age as feasible (e.g., after initial safety data obtained)
- Extrapolation can generally be leveraged



Meetings with FDA

- Sponsors encouraged to meet with FDA early and often, throughout the drug development process
- Recommend inclusion of key academic investigators and patient advocacy representatives in Sponsor meetings
- Encourage involving FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) for advice on development of companion diagnostics
- Opportunities to engage FDA and international regulatory agencies together to reach alignment on key trial design issues



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Clinical Trial Designs and Endpoints

Investigator and Clinician Perspective

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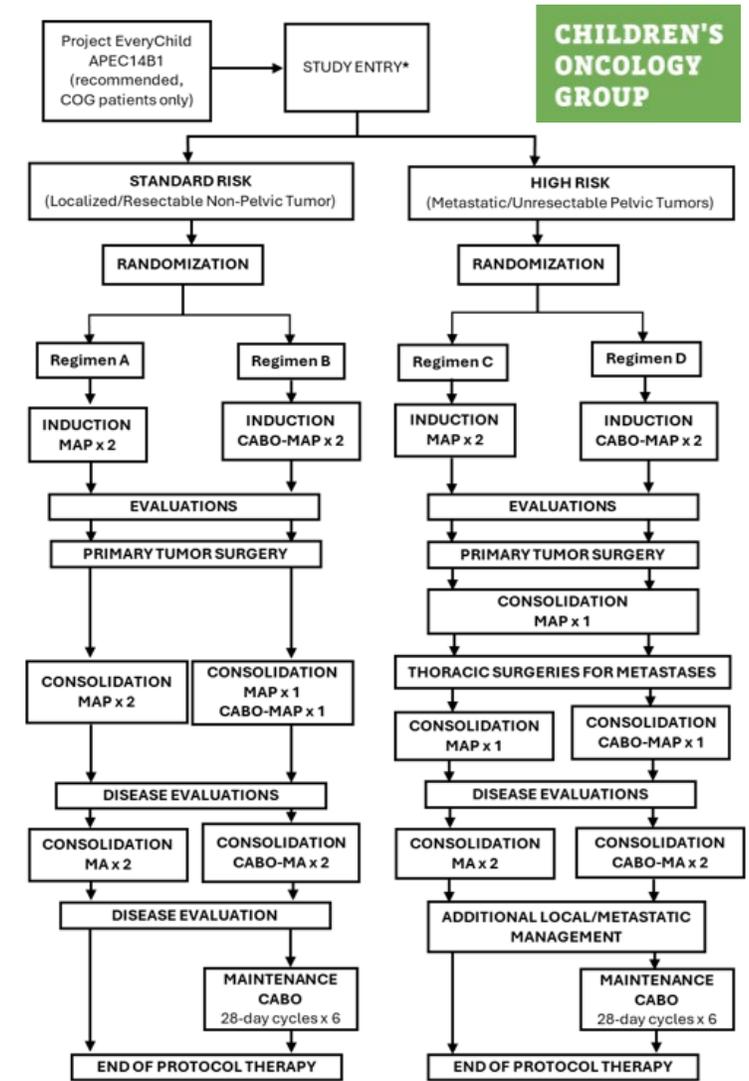


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Trial to establish new SOC for Newly Diagnosed Patients

- Primary endpoint: Event-free survival
- Secondary endpoint: Overall survival
- Design: Randomized, SOC arm MAP chemotherapy
- Considerations: Patient populations, tumor resectability
 - Soon, biomarkers of outcome with MAP chemotherapy
- Accrual/duration
 - ~ 700 localized, resectable patients
 - US cooperative group: 14 patients/month; ~ 4 years accrual.
 - Results: ~ 6-7 years
- One trial every decade
 - Signal finding trials in other patient populations essential (also for breakthrough therapy designation)
 - Typically performed in relapsed patients; relapse = metastatic in osteosarcoma



The Problem: Osteosarcoma has a calcified tumor stroma

X-rays in patients responding to MAP chemotherapy (proven to increase cure rates)
The tumor responds by becoming more calcified



PRE-chemo



POST-chemo

MRI WITHOUT RECIST RESPONSE

Osteosarcoma-specific endpoint

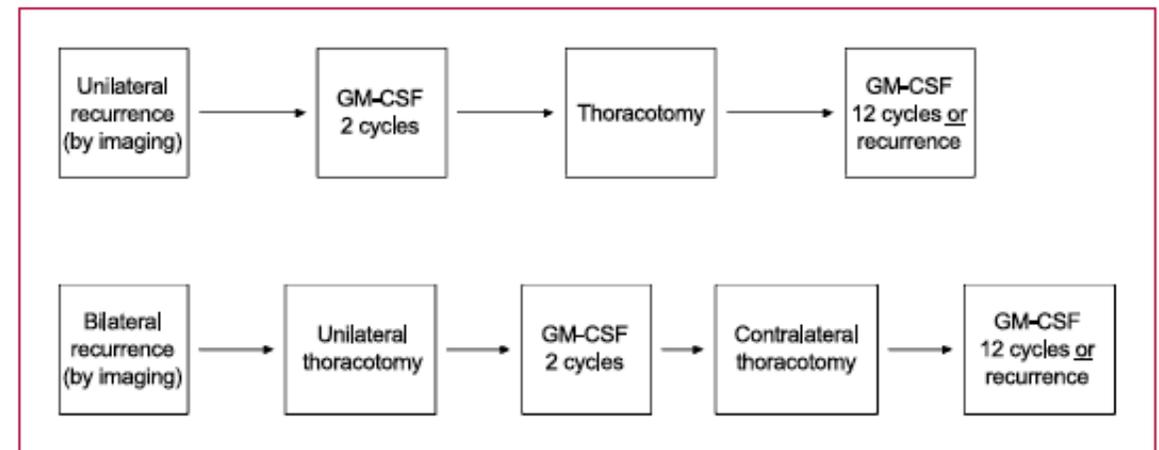
Additional background: Approximately 25% patients at recurrence rendered NED

Objective: Determine benchmark progression free survival in recurrent patients enrolling on phase 2 trials to enable signal finding trials in patients with recurrence (metastatic disease):

COHORT 1: Measurable disease = unresectable

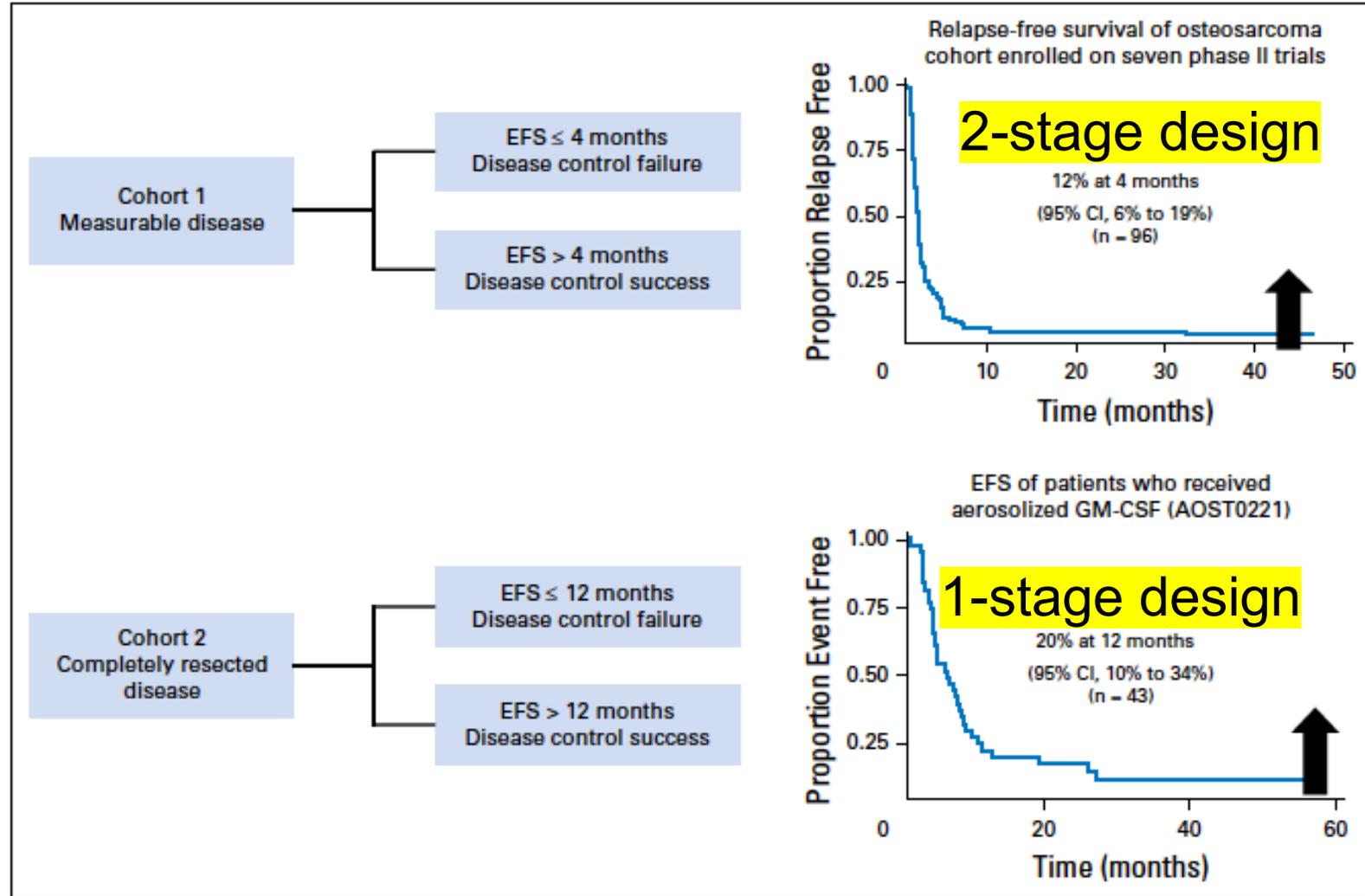
Characteristic	No. of Patients
All eligible patients	96
Study and drug	
A09713 (topotecan)	11
ADVL0122 (imatinib)	12
ADVL0421 (oxaliplatin)	13
ADVL0524 (ixabepilone)	11
CCG0962 (docetaxel)	22
P9963 (rebeccamycin)	17
P9761 (irinotecan)	10

COHORT 2: Resectable (resected) disease, N=42
Limited to pulmonary parenchyma



Osteosarcoma-specific trial design

- Cohort 1, measurable:
 - 4-mo PFS of 12% (95% C.I. 6-19%)
- Cohort 2, resected:
 - 12-mo PFS 20% (95% C.I. 34-43%)
- **No difference by number prior lines of therapy**



COG led phase 2 trials in recurrent osteosarcoma

Phase II Trial	Drug	Cohort Included	Target change in PF	Result	Accrued (N)	Duration (mos)
AOST 1322	Eribulin (microtubule inhibitor)*	Cohort 1	20%→40%	0/19 (0%) patients PF ¹	16	4
AOST 1521	Glembatumumab (ADC, GPNMB)*	Cohort 1	12% →40%	3/19 (16%) patients PF ² Not correlated w/ GPNMB expression	21	6
AOST 1321	Denosumab* (RANKL Ab)	Cohort 1 Cohort 2	20%→40% 30%→50%	1/15 (7%) patients PF @ 4 mos 10/38 (26%) patients PF @ 12 mos No association with RANK / RANKL	16 / 38	6 / 22
AOST 1421	dinutuximab + GM-CSF (GD2Ab)	Cohort 2	20% →50%	11/39 (28%) patients PF @ 12 mos	38	24
AOST 2121	OST31-164 (Her2-directed Listeria)*	Cohort 2	30%→50%	13/40 (32.5%) patients PF @ 12 months	40	24

* First trial in pediatric age group

Isakoff PBC, 2018; Kopp EJC, 2019; Janeway, CCR in press; Hingorani, EJC 2022; Reed, MIB meeting, 2025

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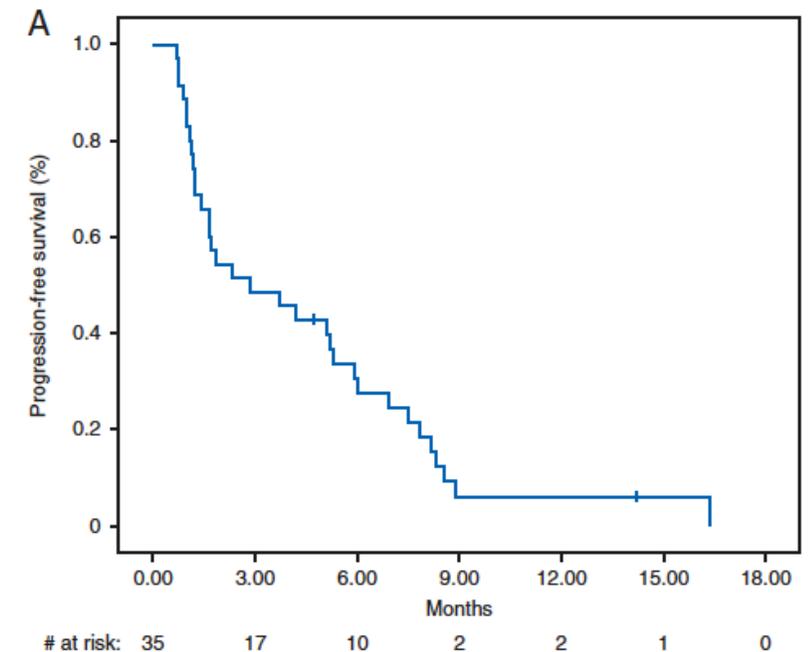
Limitations to single arm phase 2 signal finding trials in measurable disease population

- Combinations with agents active in recurrence (chemo, mTKIs)

Drug/Class	
Azenosertib (WEE1 inh)+ Gemcitabine	In Vitro + Biomarker (replication stress) 11/28 (38%) with 4.5 mo EFS

- These results need further investigation with a randomized trial
 - Single arm → randomized useful for:
 - combination dosing/tolerability data or biomarker assessment

Gemcitabine + Sirolimus (mTORInh)

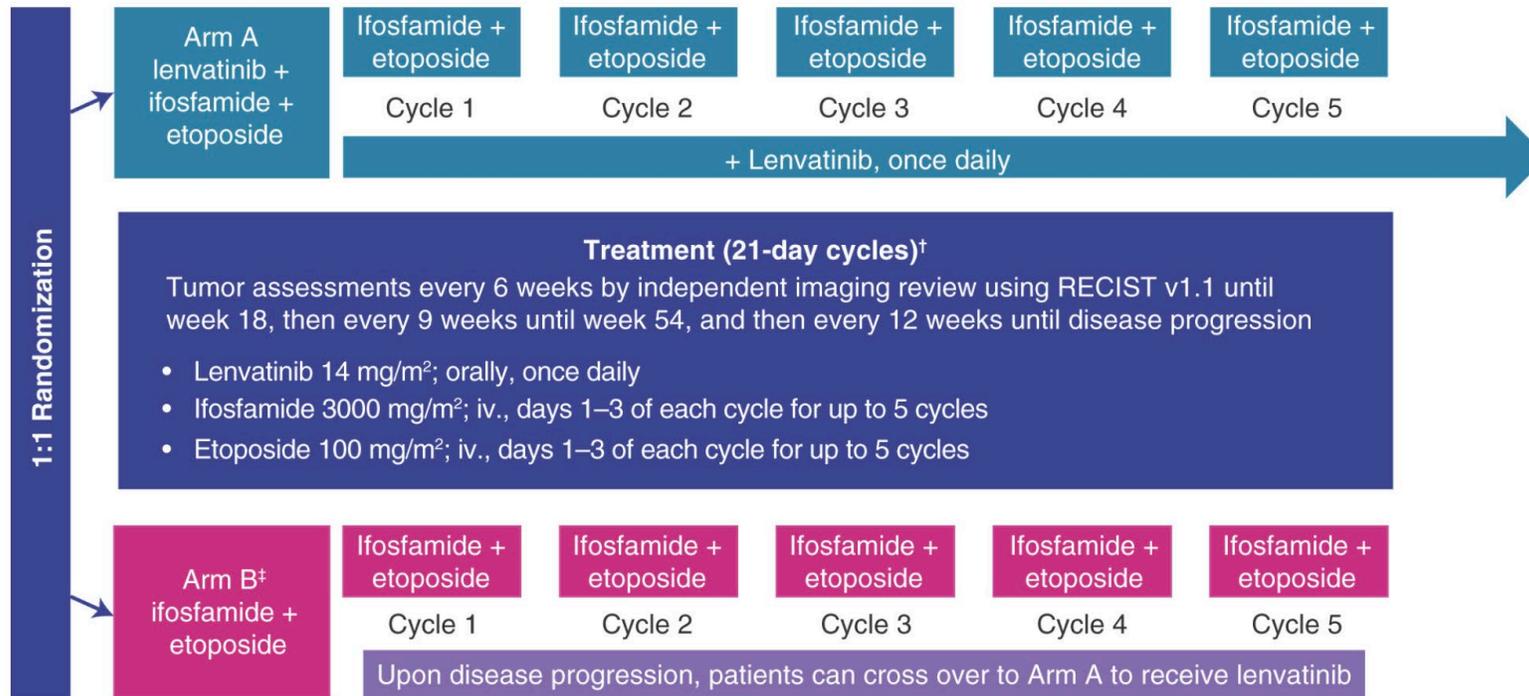


Matin-Broto, et al. Ann Oncol, 2017

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Randomized trials in R/R Disease

Case Study Chemo vs. Chemo+: OLIE Trial



After cycle 5:
May continue therapy
May have surgery

Key Eligibility:

- 2-25 years
- Measurable or evaluable disease

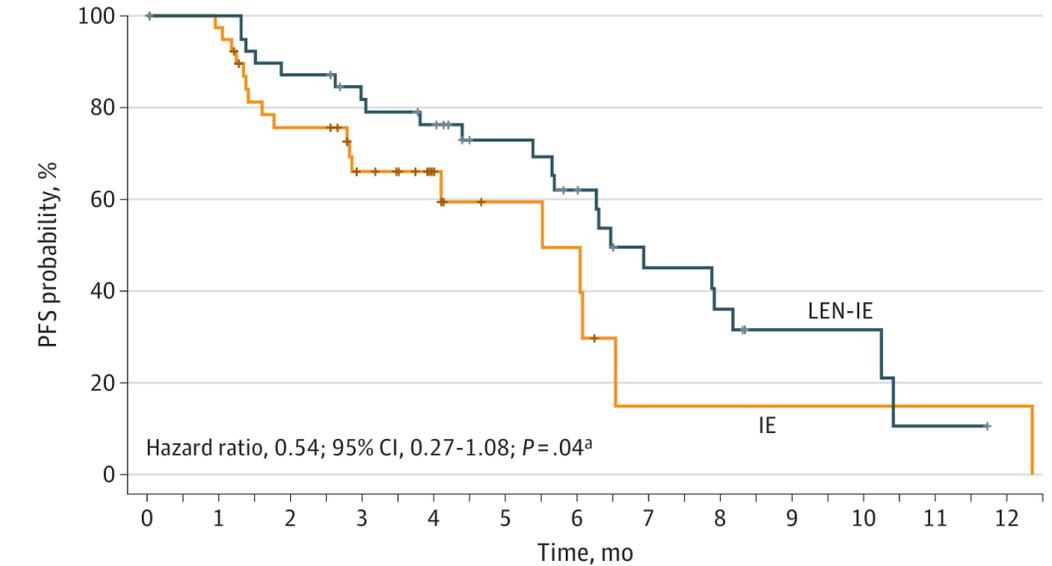
Table. Baseline Demographic and Disease Characteristics (continued)

Characteristic	No. of patients (%)	
	LEN-IE (n = 40)	IE (n = 41)
Measurable disease at baseline	34 (85.0)	32 (78.0)
Resectable disease at baseline	8 (20.0)	9 (22.0)
Sites of metastatic lesions ^{d,e}		
Lung	32 (80.0)	32 (78.0)
Bone	13 (32.5)	14 (34.1)
Brain	1 (2.5)	2 (4.9)
Other ^f	16 (40.0)	21 (51.2)
Age, median (range), y	15 (8-24)	14 (4-23)

21 countries
20 months accrual

Randomized trials in R/R Disease

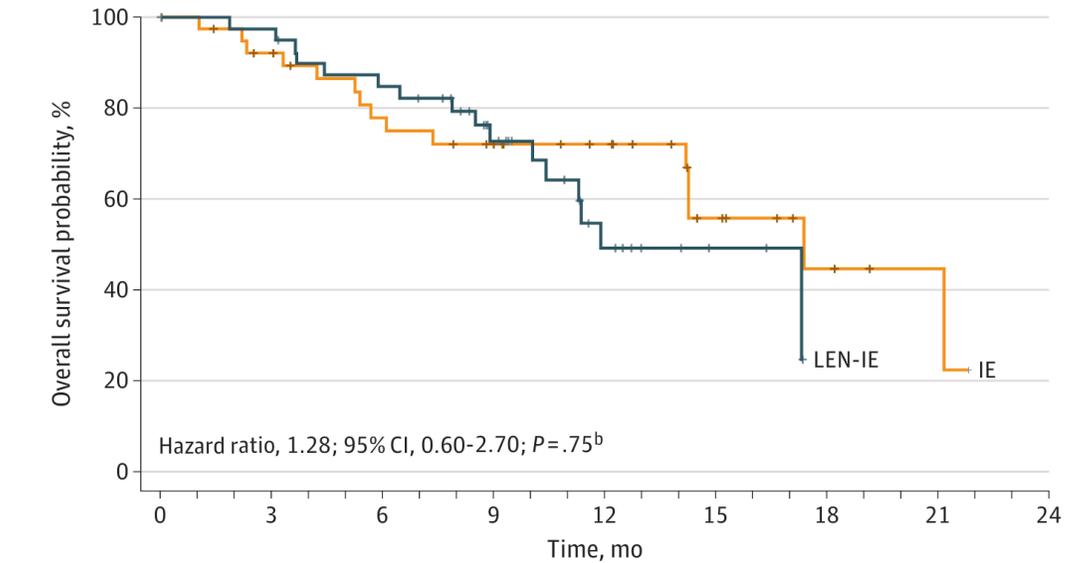
A PFS by independent imaging review per RECIST 1.1



No. at risk	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
LEN-IE	40	39	39	36	34	34	30	29	27	21	20	19	16
IE	41	39	38	29	27	27	18	16	11	7	6	6	5

76.3%(95%CI,59.3%-86.9%) in LEN-IE
 66.0%(95%CI, 47.7%-79.2%) in IE
 Did not meet pre-defined evidence of activity

B Overall survival



No. at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
LEN-IE	40	39	33	21	9	3	0	0	0
IE	41	34	27	23	18	9	4	2	0

Crossover N=14

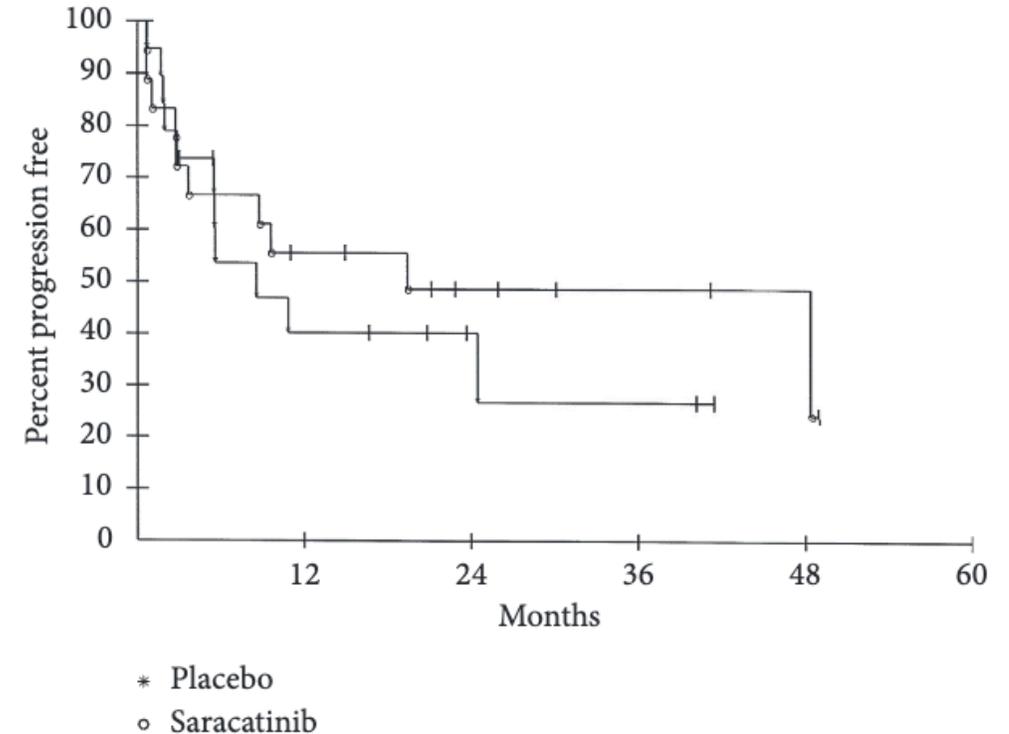
Randomization in R/R Disease: Adjuvant therapy following resection

DESIGN:

- Eligibility: resected pulmonary metastases, ≥ 15 years
- Accrual and duration: 88 patients in 4 years
- Randomization: Placebo vs. saracatinib, src inhibitor
- 60% relative improvement (from 33% to 53%) in 2-year PFS; 80% power, 1-sided p-value 0.1

RESULTS:

- 40 subjects enrolled in 5 years, median 22 years
- No statistically significant difference in EFS



In spite of this, randomization in this patient population should be feasible!

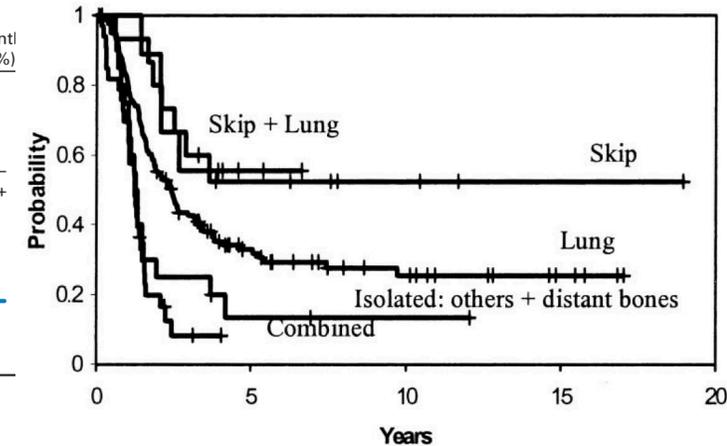
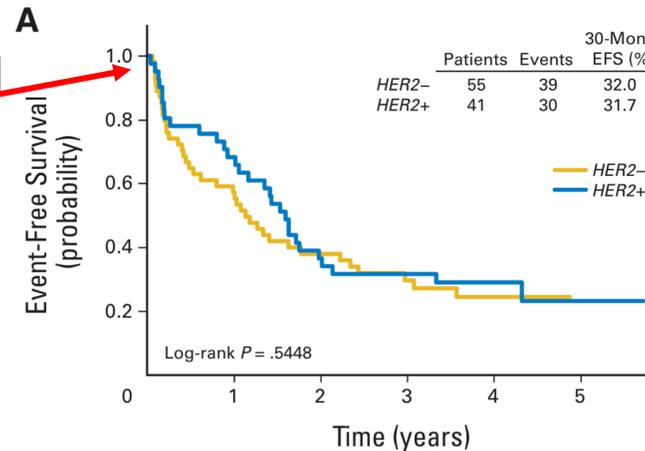
No placebo, ≥ 12 years, both arms with similar treatment (e.g., both PO), MANY centers, community engagement

Other trials in Newly Diagnosed Patients?

- Novel approaches could be studied in patient populations with poor outcomes even with MAP
 - Metastatic disease
 - 60%: Lung only: outcome influenced by resectability
 - 1 patient per month in US cooperative group setting
 - 25%: Extra-pulmonary, usually bone
 - Very poor outcomes
 - 0.75 patient every month in US cooperative group setting
 - Favored population for radiopharmaceuticals
 - Eventually, biomarkers defined high-risk localized
- Additional data on biomarkers & outcomes needed
- Interventions
 - Maintenance BUT
 - MAP + novel agent
 - Other OS chemo + novel agent

Table 1. Patient Demographics and Clinical Characteristics

Characteristic	HER2-Positive Patients (n = 41)		HER2-Negative Patients (n = 55)		Total Patients (N = 96)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Metastatic site						
Unilateral lung	1	2.4	0	0.0	1	1.0
Bilateral lung	26	63.4	33	60.0	59	61.5
Bone only	5	12.2	9	16.4	14	14.6
Bone and lung	9	22.0	13	23.6	22	22.9



Key Takeaways

- AYA patient population
 - OS trials can precede pediatric phase 1 / development plans
- EFS is key endpoint in both relapsed/refractory and newly diagnosed disease
 - Because of tendency for calcification with response, measures of disease beyond cross-sectional imaging (e.g., PET, ctDNA) should be included
- For rapid assessment of novel agents, single arm signal finding trials in measurable/unresectable disease
 - Eligibility must match benchmark population; if combination with active agent, will need follow-on randomized trial
- Most randomized trials require a large number (100) of trial sites

Thank you!



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Session 5

Attendee and Panelist Q&A

12:45 – 1:30 PM

Moderators:

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Session 1-4 Panelists



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Lunch Break

1:30 – 2:15 PM



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Session 6

Fireside Chat

Changing the Landscape of Pediatric Cancer with Legislation

2:15 – 3:00 PM

Nancy Goodman, Esq. (Kids v Cancer)
Mac Tichenor (OSI)



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Session 7

The Path Forward

3:00 – 4:00 PM

*Advancing Osteosarcoma Drug Development – Connecting Research and Regulatory Pathways for Improved Outcomes
October 10, 2025 (9:30am – 5pm ET)*



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Session 7

Moderator: Melinda Merchant, MD, PhD (Normunity)

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Regulatory Overview: Expedited Programs and Efforts to Advance Product Development for Rare Cancers

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Addressing Challenges in Drug and Biologic Development for Rare Cancers

- Expedited Programs
- Orphan Designation
- Other initiatives to facilitate development of products for rare cancers



FDA Expedited Development Programs

- **Fast Track (1988)**
- **Priority Review (1992)**
- Accelerated Approval (1992)
- **Breakthrough Therapy (2012)**
- **Regenerative Medicine Advanced Therapy (2016)**

These programs may be applicable to drugs or biologics intended to treat rare and serious conditions

Criteria for FT, BT, RMAT

Program	Fast Track (FT)	Breakthrough Therapy (BT)	Regenerative Medicine Advanced Therapy (RMAT)
Qualifying Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treats serious condition(s) and Fills an unmet medical need 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intended to treat a serious condition and Preliminary <u>clinical</u> evidence indicates the investigational product <u>may demonstrate substantial improvement</u> over available therapy on clinically significant endpoint(s). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The product meets the definition of regenerative medicine therapy and Intended to treat, modify, reverse, or cure a serious condition and Preliminary <u>clinical</u> evidence indicates potential to address unmet medical needs for such condition



Features of FT, BT, RMAT

Program	Fast Track (FT)	Breakthrough Therapy (BT)	Regenerative Medicine Advanced Therapy (RMAT)
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More frequent meetings w/ FDA to discuss development plan & ensure collection of appropriate data needed to support approval• More frequent written communication from FDA about such things as design of proposed clinical trials and use of biomarkers• Eligibility for Accelerated Approval and Priority Review, if relevant criteria are met• Rolling Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All Fast Track designation features• Intensive guidance on an efficient drug development program, beginning as early as Phase 1• Organizational commitment involving senior managers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All Breakthrough Therapy Designation features, including early interactions to discuss any potential surrogate or intermediate endpoints• Statute addresses potential ways to support accelerated approval & satisfy post-approval requirements

Priority Review

Criteria:

- Treats a serious condition, and,
- If approved, would provide a significant improvement in the safety or effectiveness of the treatment of the condition

Features:

- Shorter clock for review of marketing application (6 months versus 10-month standard review)
 - For applications under the Program the review clock begins at the conclusion of the 60-calendar day filing review period (total review time is 8 months versus 12-month standard review)



Orphan Drug Designation

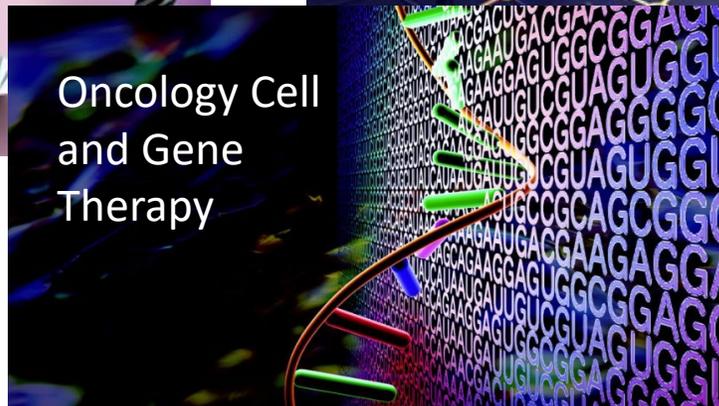
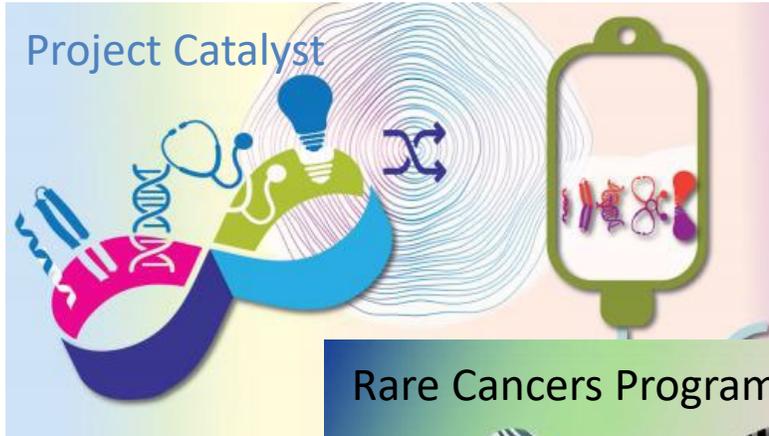
Orphan Drug Act (1983) for diseases with US prevalence < 200,000

- Tax credits for qualified clinical trials
- Exemption from user fees
- Potential seven years of market exclusivity after approval

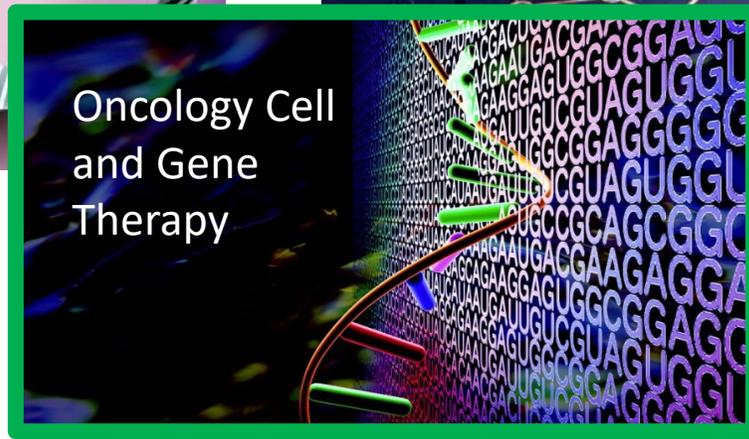
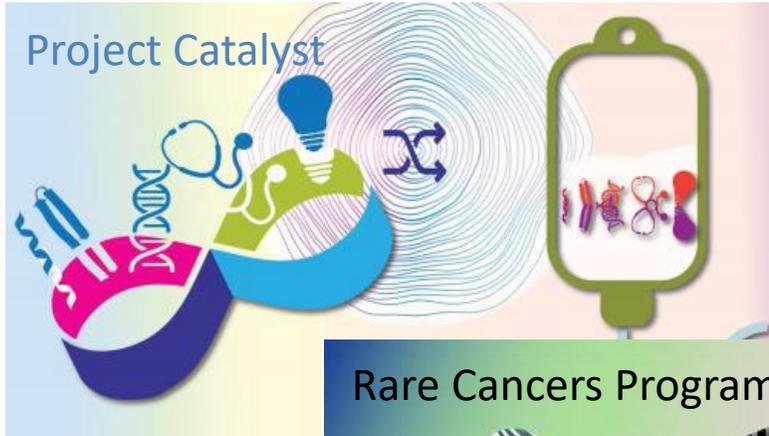
Orphan Products Grants Program

- Clinical Trials Grants Program
 - 2024 awards provide more than \$17.2 million to clinical researchers over the next 4 years
 - Recent grants:
 - Palbociclib (CDK4/6i) combined with INCMGA0012 (PD-1 blockade) for well differentiated or dedifferentiated liposarcoma
 - Peptide vaccine targeting CMV antigen for pediatric malignant brain tumors
 - ¹⁷⁷Lu-DOTATATE for children and young adults with recurrent/progressive high-grade CNS tumors and meningiomas that express somatostatin type 2A receptors
- Natural History Studies Grants Program

OCE Resources to Advance Product Development for Rare Cancers



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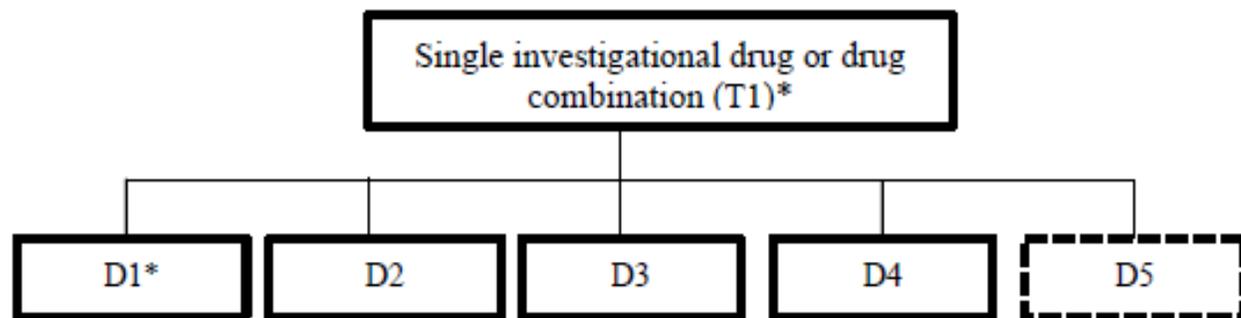
Unique Considerations for Cell and Gene Therapy Trials



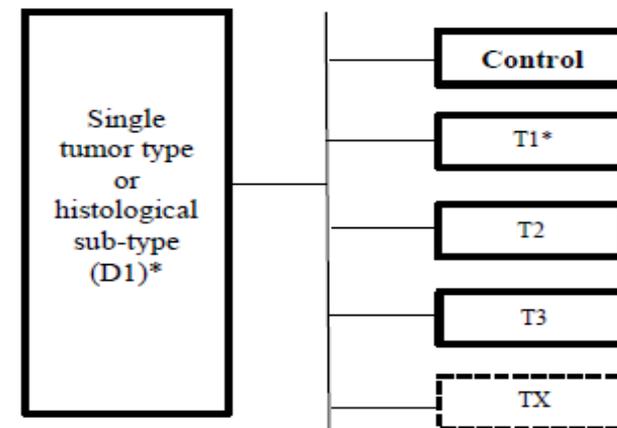
- Complex manufacturing
- Unique pharmacodynamics and/or pharmacokinetics
- Use of lymphodepletion and/or bridging chemotherapy
- Invasive procedures may be required
- Cells or gene may persist for extended period or produce sustained effect
 - Long-term follow up requirement
- Difficulty blinding for randomized trials

FDA supports the use of innovative trial designs

Master Protocol With *Basket Trial* Design



Protocol With *Umbrella Trial* Design

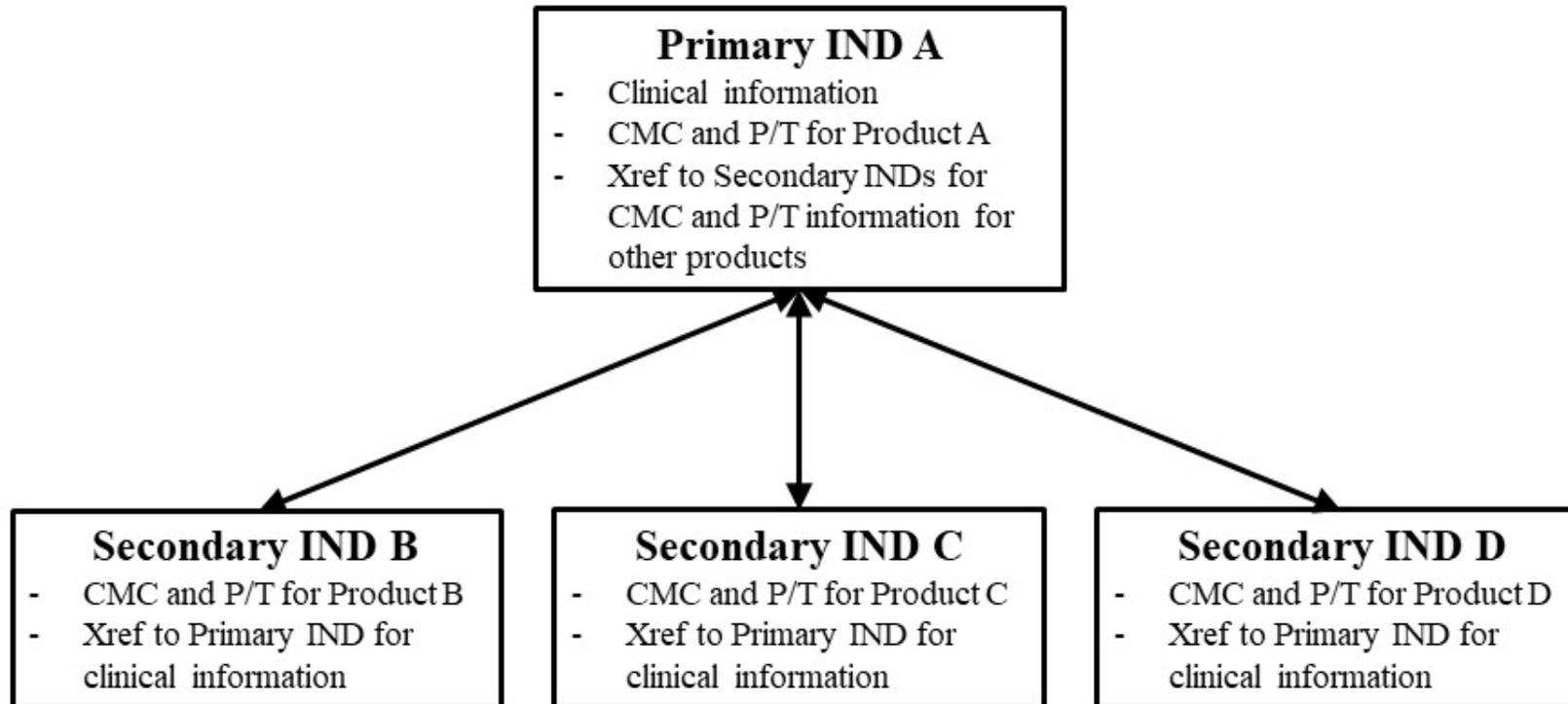


T = investigational drug or investigational drug combination; D = protocol defined subpopulation in single disease subtypes; TX = dashed lines indicate potential amendments to include future treatment arms.

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Multiple Versions of a Cellular or Gene Therapy Product

Schematic Representation of the Primary and Secondary IND Framework



Conclusions

- Development of novel therapies for osteosarcoma poses unique challenges and requires more than a one-size-fits-all regulatory approach
- FDA offers multiple programs that can be leveraged to address challenges in developing new treatments for rare cancers
- Expedited programs facilitate early and continuous interactions with FDA during product development
- Collaboration among scientists, clinicians, sponsors, patients/patient advocates and regulators is key to advancing development and expediting access of promising therapies to patients with osteosarcoma

Relevant FDA Guidances

- Innovative Designs for Clinical Trials of Cellular and Gene Therapy Products in Small Populations – September 2025 Draft Guidance
- Expedited Programs for Regenerative Medicine Therapies for Serious Conditions - September 2025 Draft Guidance
- Clinical Trial Considerations to Support Accelerated Approval of Oncology Therapeutics – March 2023 Draft Guidance
- Expansion Cohorts: Use in First-In-Human Clinical Trials to Expedite Development of Oncology Drugs and Biologics Guidance for Industry – March 2022 Final Guidance
- Master Protocols: Efficient Clinical Trial Design Strategies to Expedite Development of Oncology Drugs and Biologics Guidance for Industry – March 2022 Final Guidance
- Rare Diseases: Considerations for the Development of Drugs and Biological Products – December 2023 Final Guidance
- Studying Multiple Versions of a Cellular or Gene Therapy Product in an Early-Phase Clinical Trial – November 2022 Final Guidance
- Rare Diseases: Natural History Studies for Drug Development – March 2019 Draft Guidance
- Rare Diseases: Early Drug Development and the Role of Pre-IND Meetings – October 2018 Draft Guidance
- Expedited Programs for Serious Conditions | Drugs and Biologics - May 2014 Final Guidance



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Session 8

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4:00 – 4:45 PM

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Session 6-7 Panelists



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Closing Remarks

4:45 – 5:00 PM

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Kristin Wessel, MD (FDA)



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Final Housekeeping

- Unanswered Questions – We will follow up on submitted questions not addressed during the workshop, if possible
- Post-Workshop Survey – Attendees will receive an email with a brief survey when the meeting concludes. Your feedback is greatly appreciated.
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 - OSI YouTube (by Oct. 31): <https://www.youtube.com/@osteosarcomainstitute>
 - FDA event webpage (TBD): <https://www.fda.gov/news-events/fda-meetings-conferences-and-workshops/fdathe-osteosarcoma-institute-osi-workshop-advancing-osteosarcoma-drug-development-connecting>



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