



Cholangiocarcinoma comprehensive care Oncologist perspective

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- AstraZeneca, Roche

OUTLINES

Introduction

- Epidemiology
- Update in diagnosis and classification

Systemic therapy in CCA

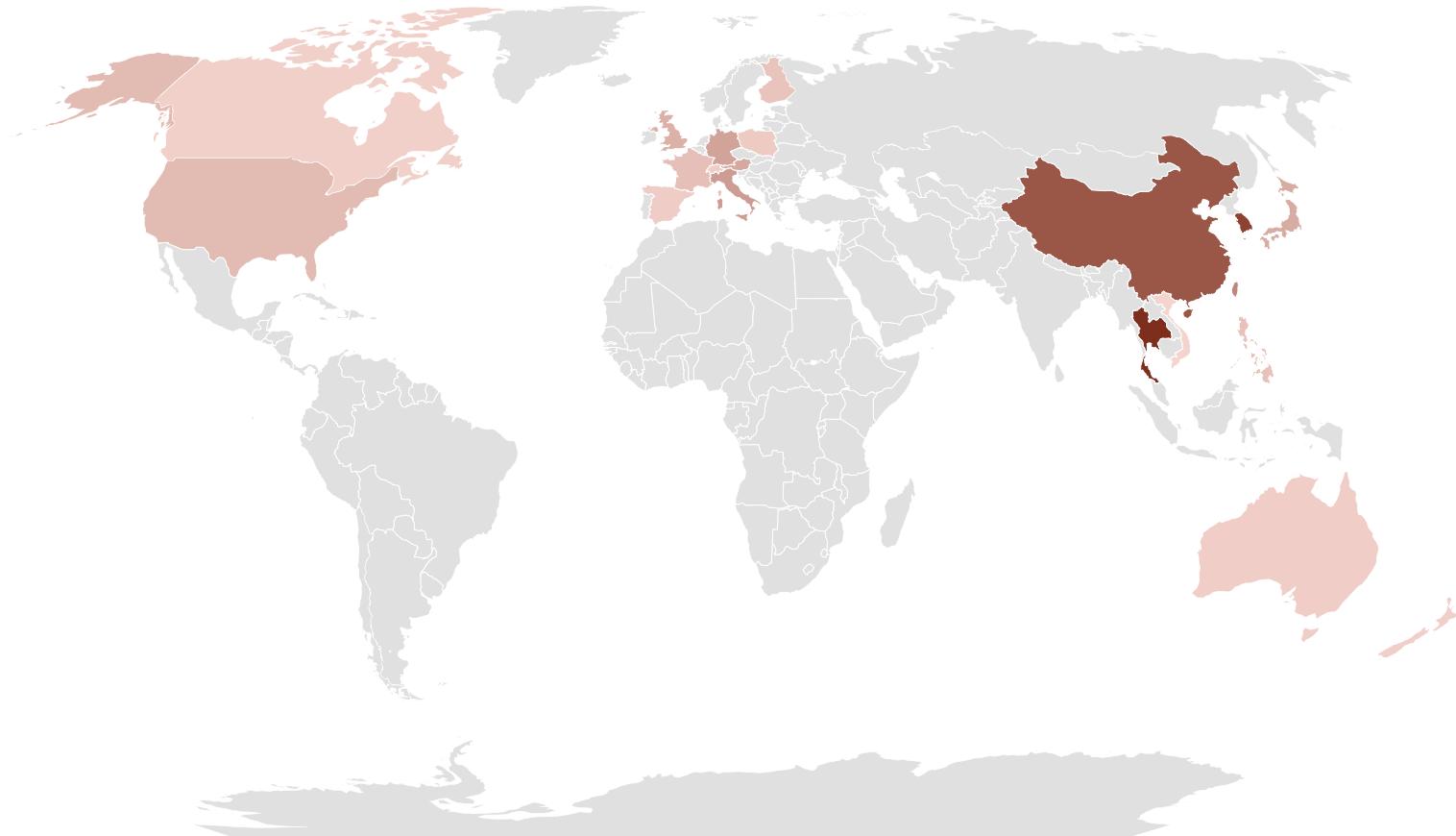
- Update in systemic therapy
- Real-world data
- Ongoing clinical trials

Comprehensive care in CCA

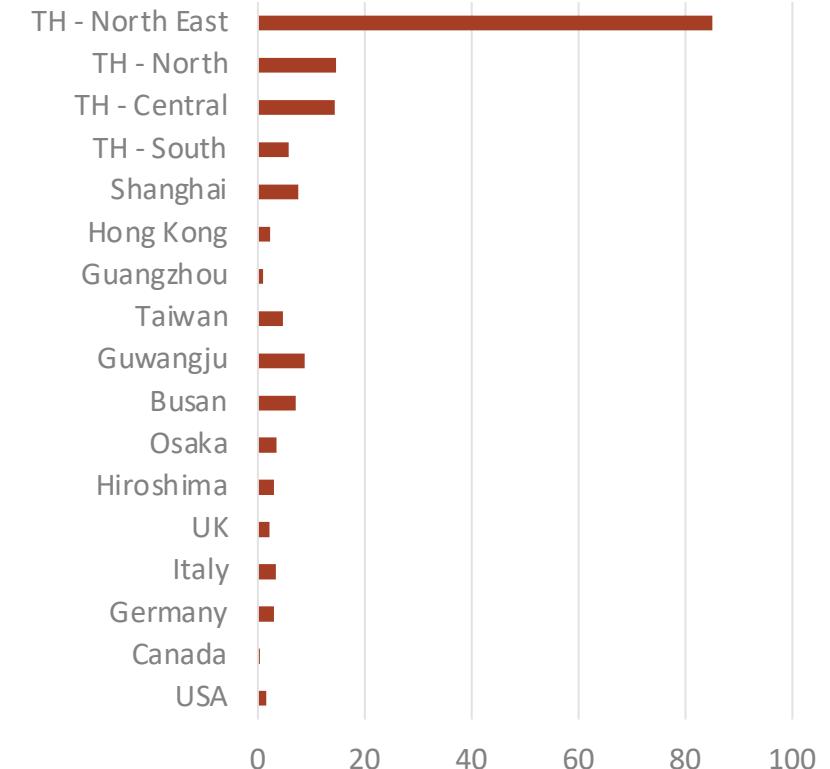
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Introduction

Cholangiocarcinoma in Thailand



Incidence per 100,000



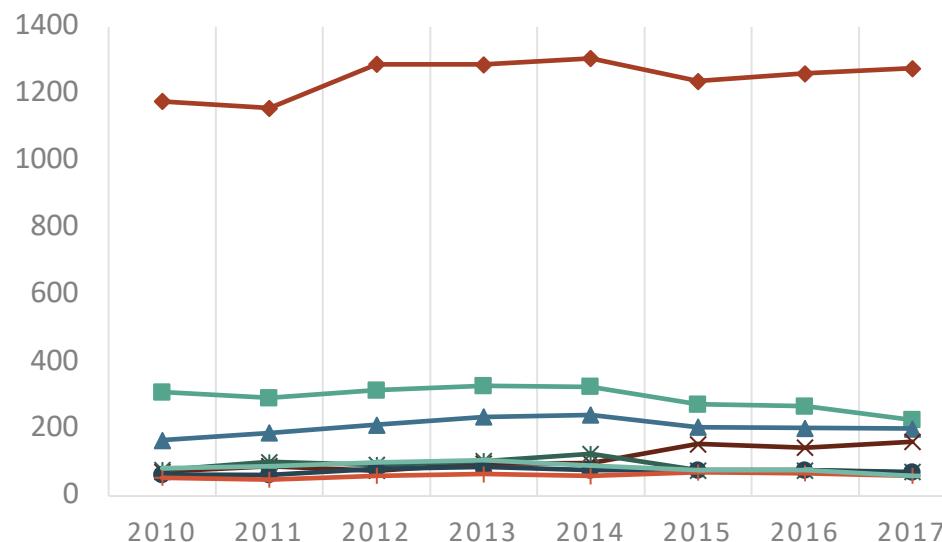
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Srinagarind hospital cancer registry

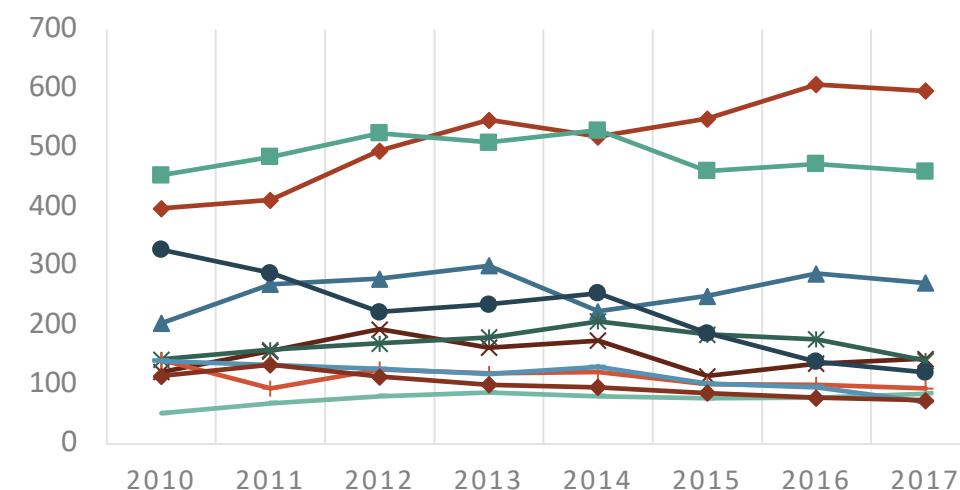
NUMBER OF LEADING SITES
OF CANCER IN MALE

◆ Liver and bile duct ■ Lungs
▲ CRC ✕ Prostate
✳ Oral ● Skin
+ Thyroid ▲ NPC



NUMBER OF LEADING SITES
OF CANCER IN FEMALE

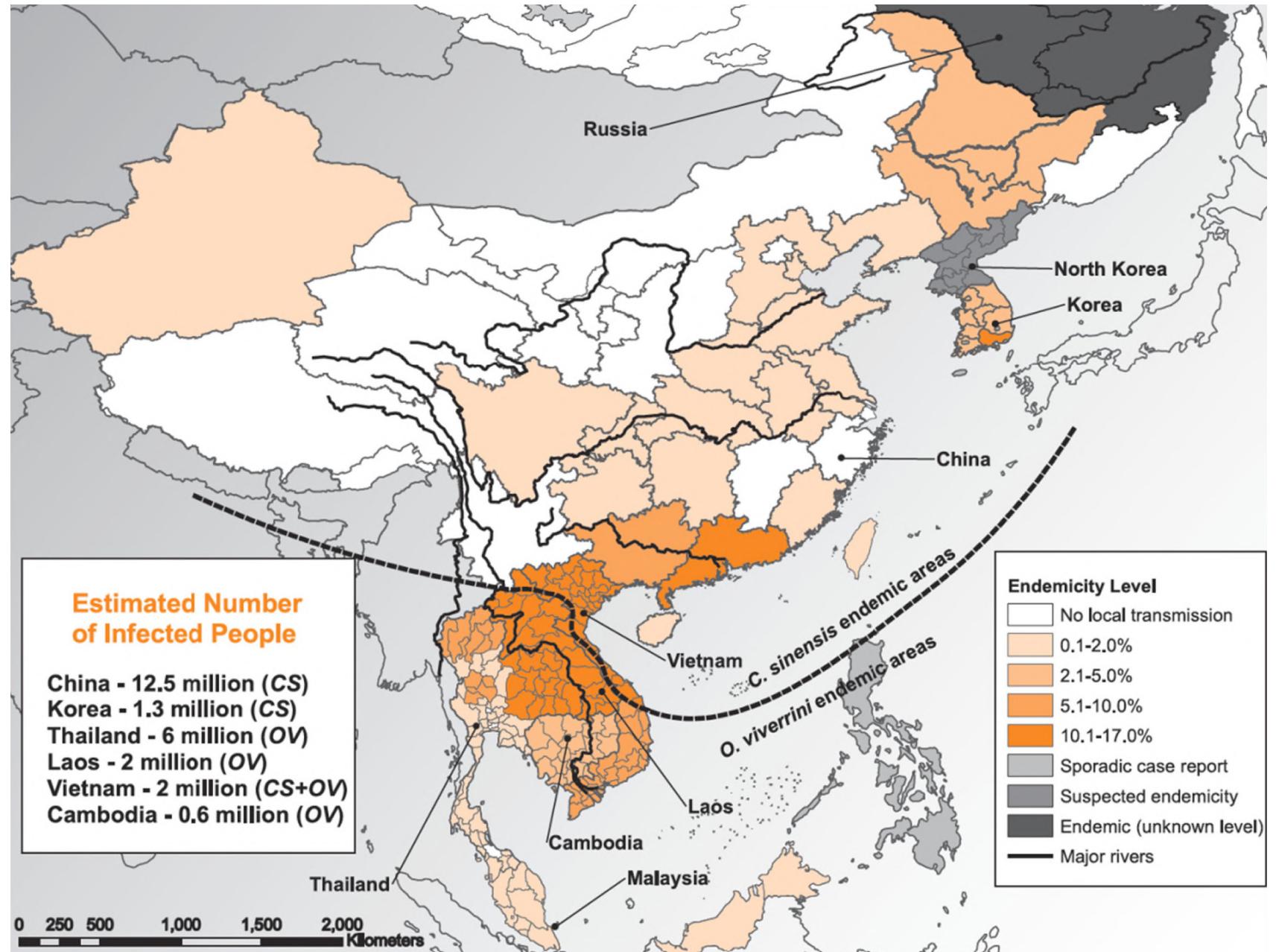
◆ Breast ■ Liver and bile duct
▲ Thyroid ✕ Lungs
✳ CRC ● Cervix
+ Uterine ▲ Skin
— Oral ◆ Ovary



Risk factor

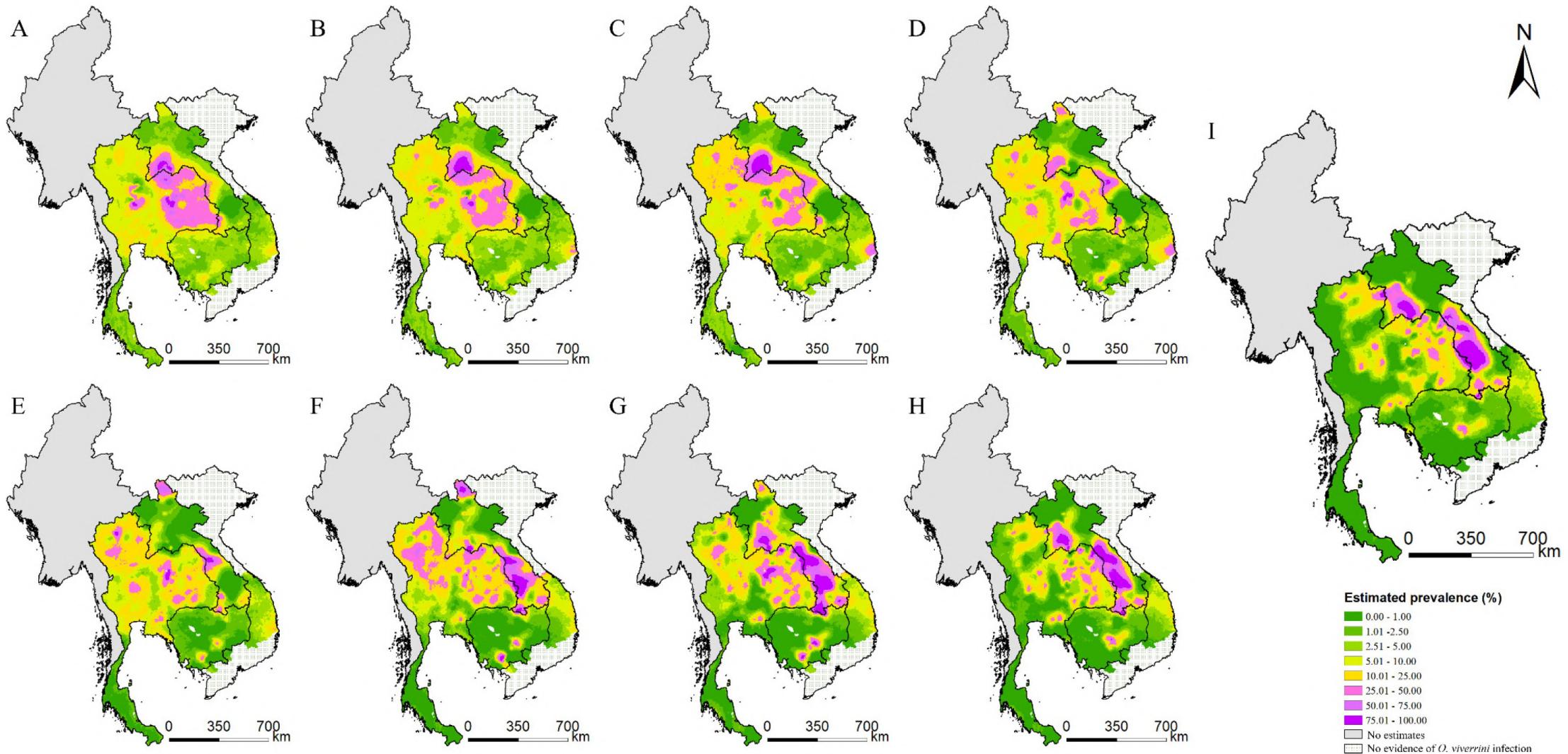


Figure 3. Hematoxylin and eosin stained adult worms of the most important liver flukes. A, *Opisthorchis felineus*, scale bar 2 mm; B, *Opithorchis viverrini*, scale bar 1 mm; and C, *Clonorchis sinensis* scale bar 2 mm. There is no proportion between worm size. (permission obtained from Dr. Edoardo Pozio, Istituto Superiore Di Sanita', Department of Infectious, Parasitic and Immune-Mediated Diseases)

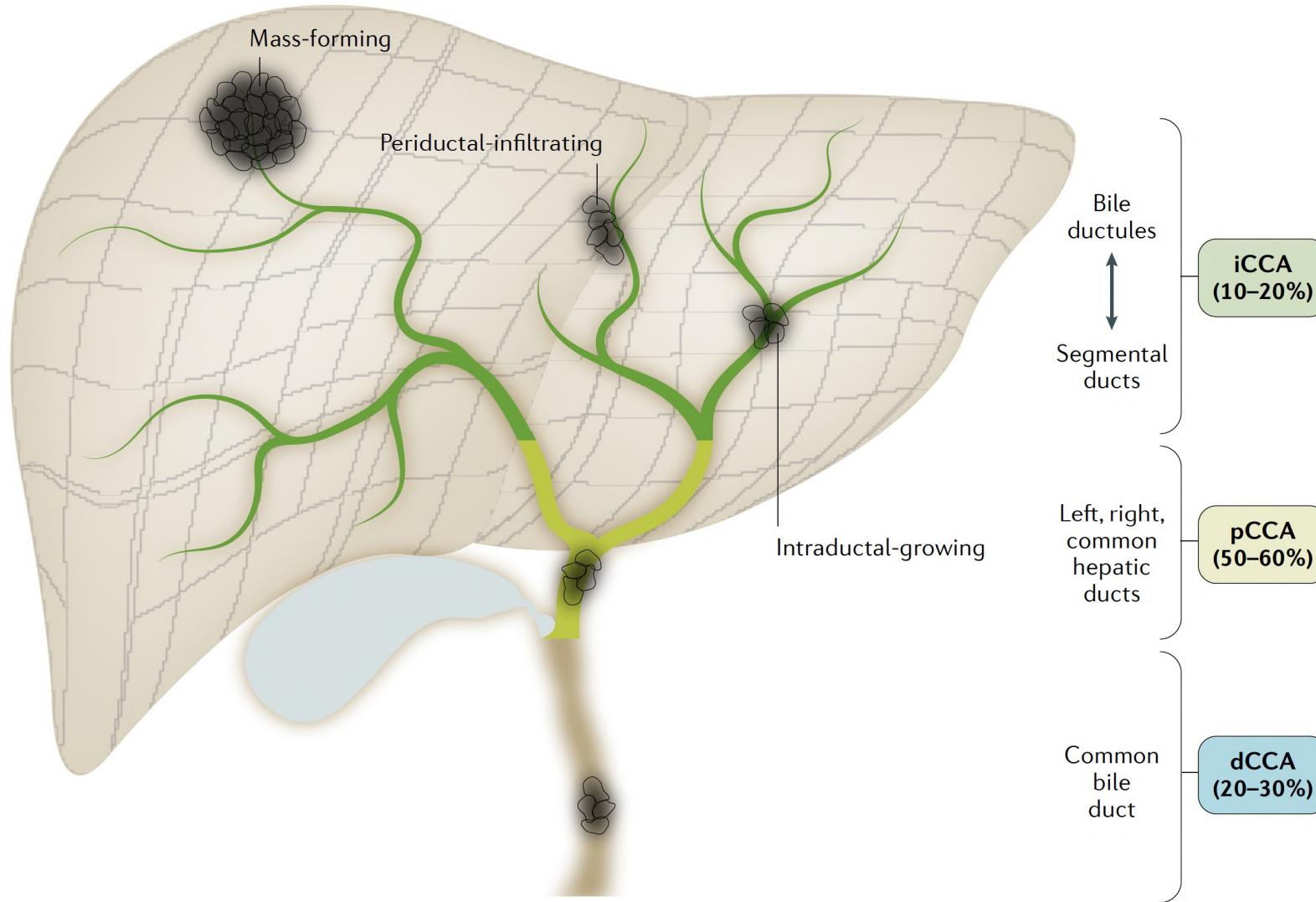


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Prevalence of liver fluke infestation



Classification

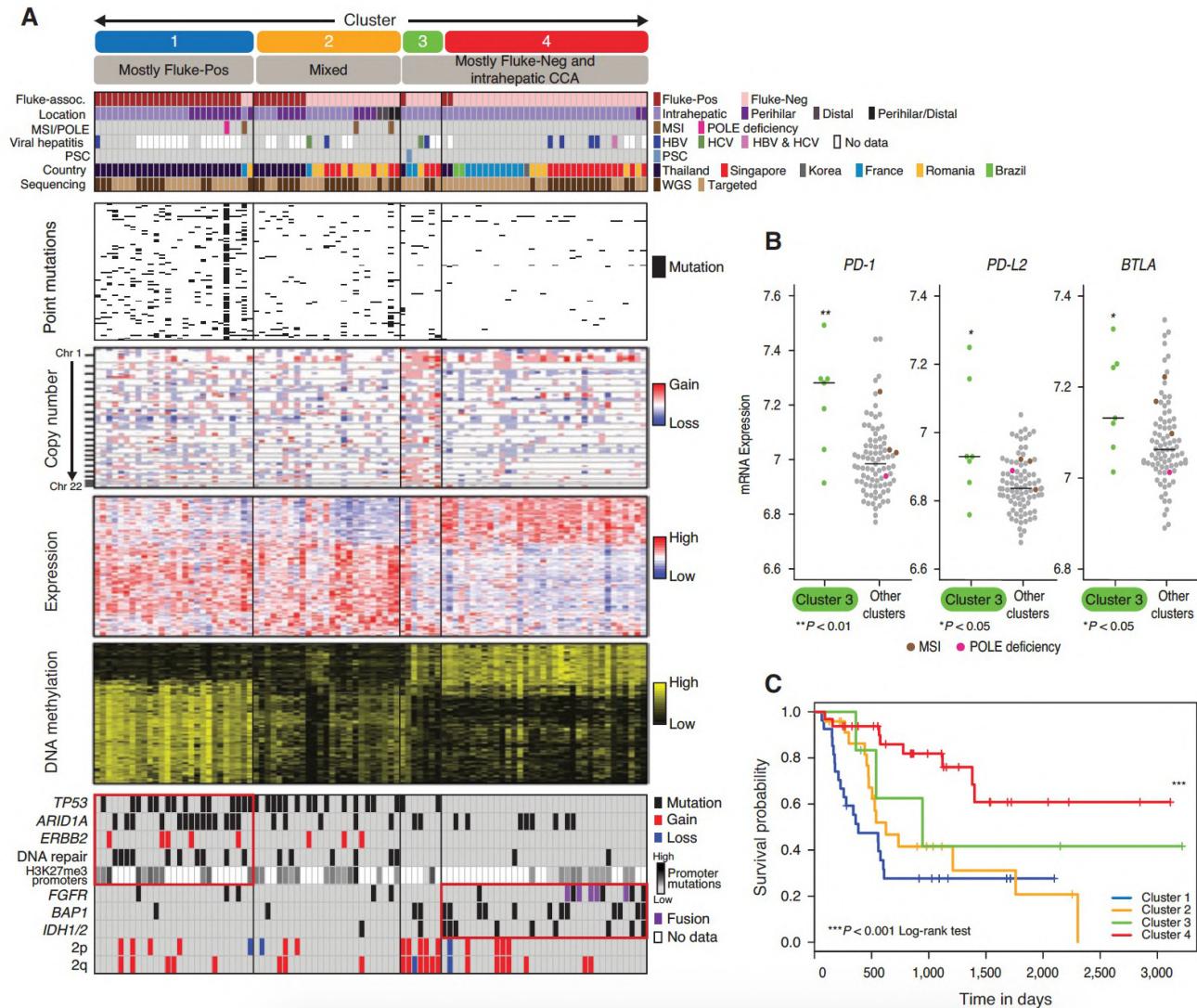


Molecular subtype of CCA

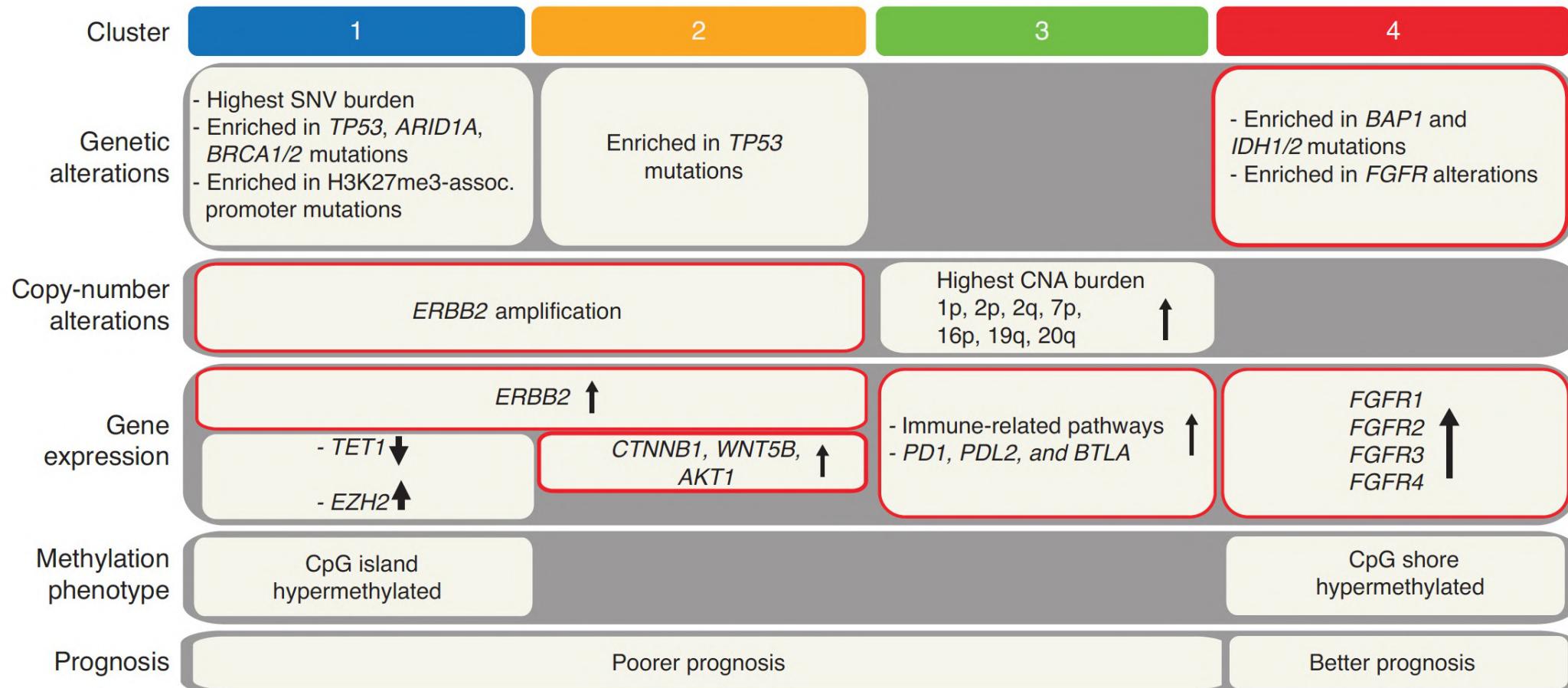
analyzed 489 CCAs from 10 countries, combining

- whole-genome (71 cases)
- targeted/exome
- copy-number
- gene expression
- DNA methylation information

Integrative clustering defined 4 CCA clusters



Molecular subtype of CCA



ERBB2 amplifications were more frequent in Fluke-Pos cases
10.4% in Fluke-Pos vs. 2.7% in Fluke-Neg CCA, P < 0.01

Whole-Genome and Epigenomic Landscapes of Etiologically Distinct Subtypes of Cholangiocarcinoma



Apinya Jusakul^{1,2,3}, Ioana Cutcutache⁴, Chern Han Yong^{1,4}, Jing Quan Lim^{2,5}, Mi Ni Huang⁴, Nisha Padmanabhan¹, Vishwa Nellore⁶, Sarinya Kongpatch^{2,7,8}, Alvin Wei Tian Ng⁹, Ley Moy Ng¹⁰, Su Pin Choo¹¹, Swe Swe Myint², Raynoo Thanan¹², Sanjanaa Nagarajan², Weng Khong Lim^{1,2}, Cedric Chuan Young Ng², Arnoud Boot^{1,4}, Mo Liu^{1,4}, Choon Kiat Ong⁵, Vikneswari Rajasegaran², Stefanus Lie^{2,13}, Alvin Soon Tiong Lim¹⁴, Tse Hui Lim¹⁴, Jing Tan², Jia Liang Loh², John R. McPherson⁴, Narong Khuntikeo^{7,15}, Vajaraphongsa Bhudhisawasdi¹⁵, Puanrat Yonovanit⁷, Sonit Wongkham¹², Yasushi Totoki¹⁶, Hiromi Nakamura¹⁶, Yasuhito Arai¹⁶, Fluke-positive CCAs (clusters 1/2)

Alexander Yaw Fui Chung¹⁹, London Lucien Peng Jin¹⁹, Irinel Popescu²¹, Philippe Broet²³, Sen-Yung Hsieh²⁴, Di-Xian Luo²⁸, André Lopes Carvalho²⁹, André Luiz Ludmil B. Alexandrov³², Raluca Gordân^{6,33}, Steven G. Bin Tean Teh^{1,2,10,34,36}, and Patrick Tan^{1,10,34,37} are enriched in *ERBB2* amplifications and *TP53* mutations

Fluke-negative CCAs (clusters 3/4)

exhibit high copy-number alterations and *PD-1* / *PDL2* expression, or epigenetic mutations (*IDH1/2*, *BAP1*) and *FGFR* / *PRKA* -related gene rearrangements.

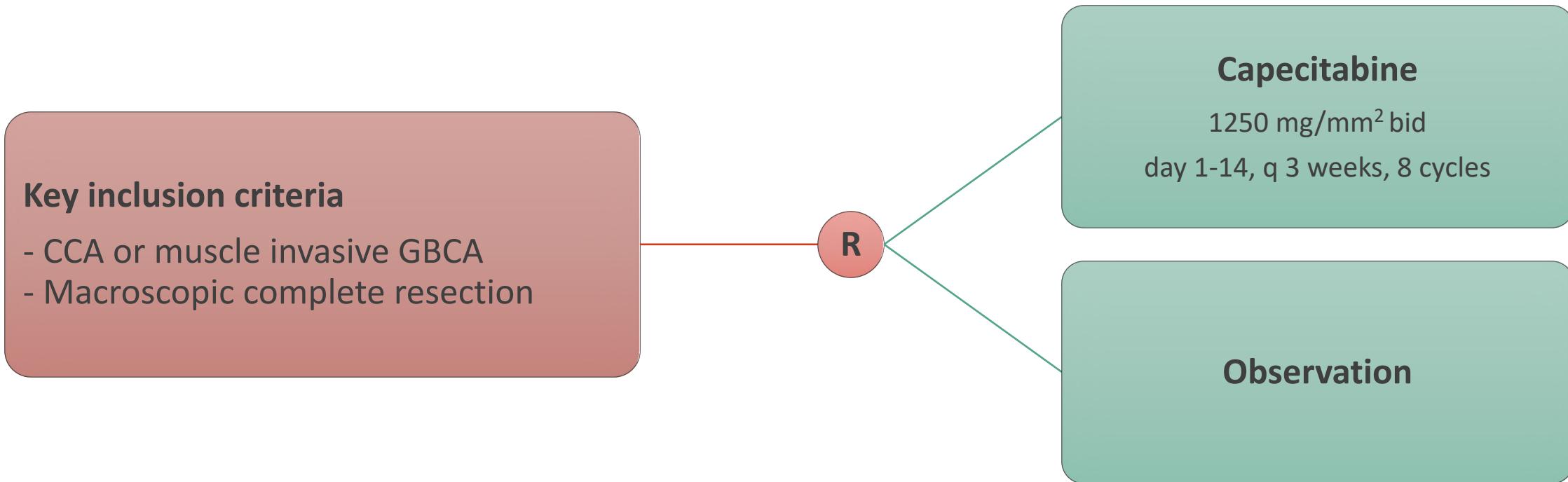
Systemic therapy

Early stage



BILCAP study

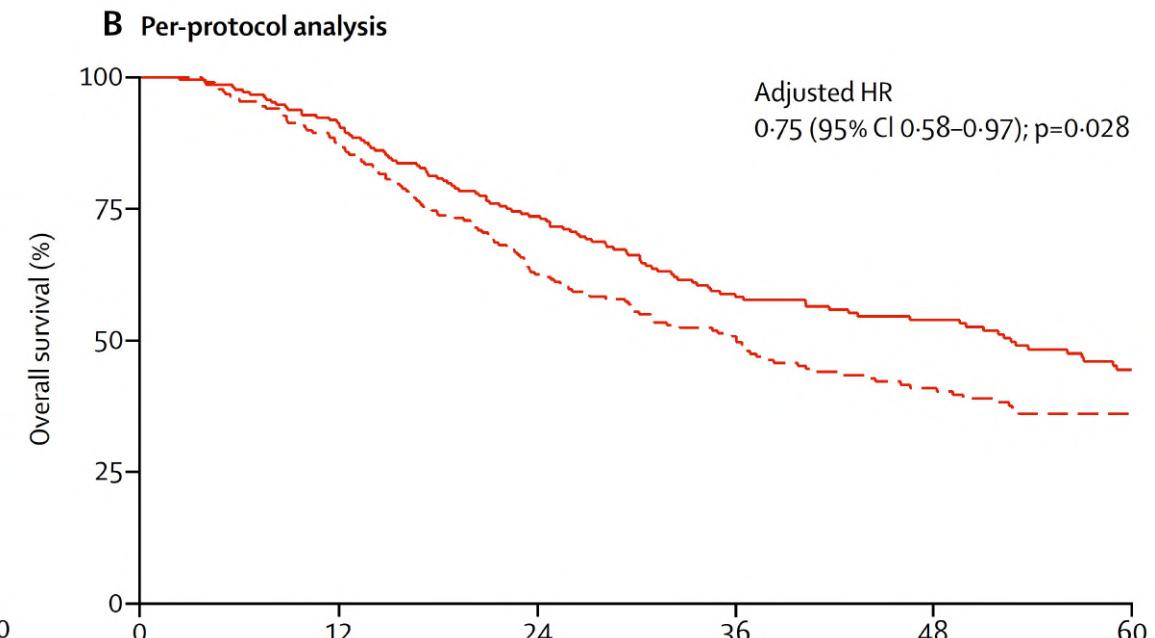
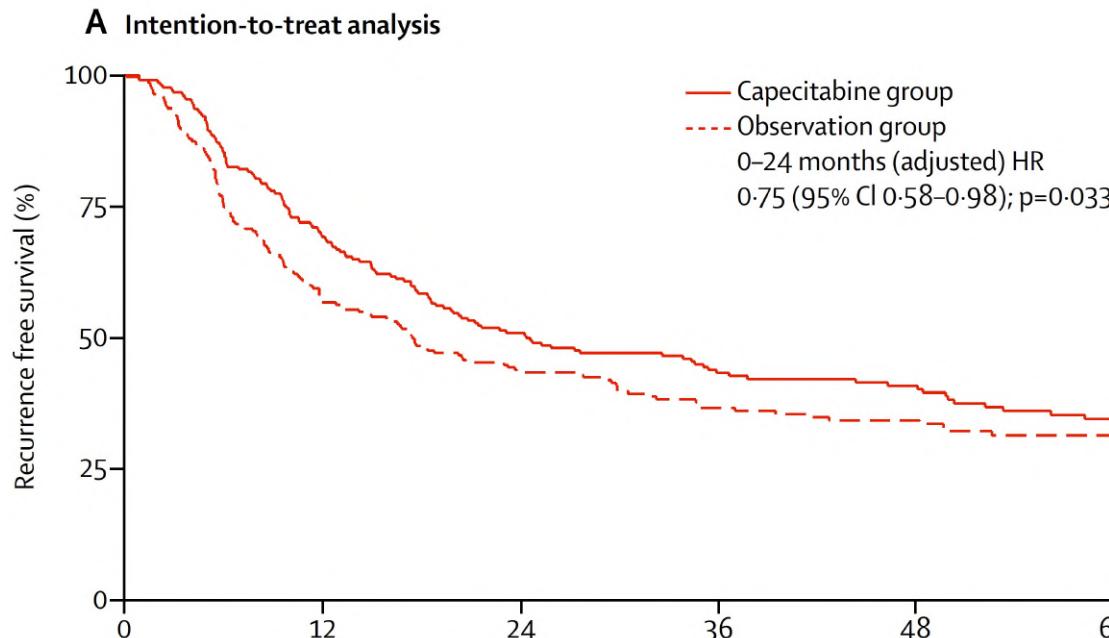
Randomized, controlled, phase 3, 44 centers in the United Kingdom



Primary end-point: Overall survival (ITT)

Secondary end-point: Overall survival (per protocol)

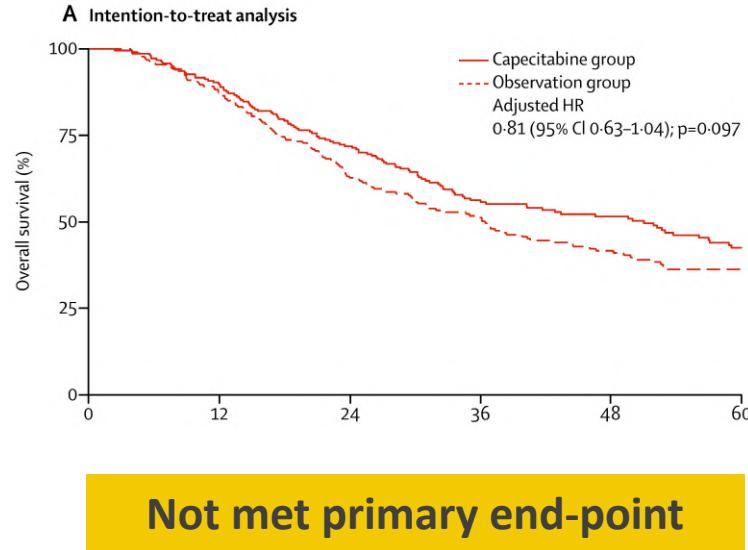
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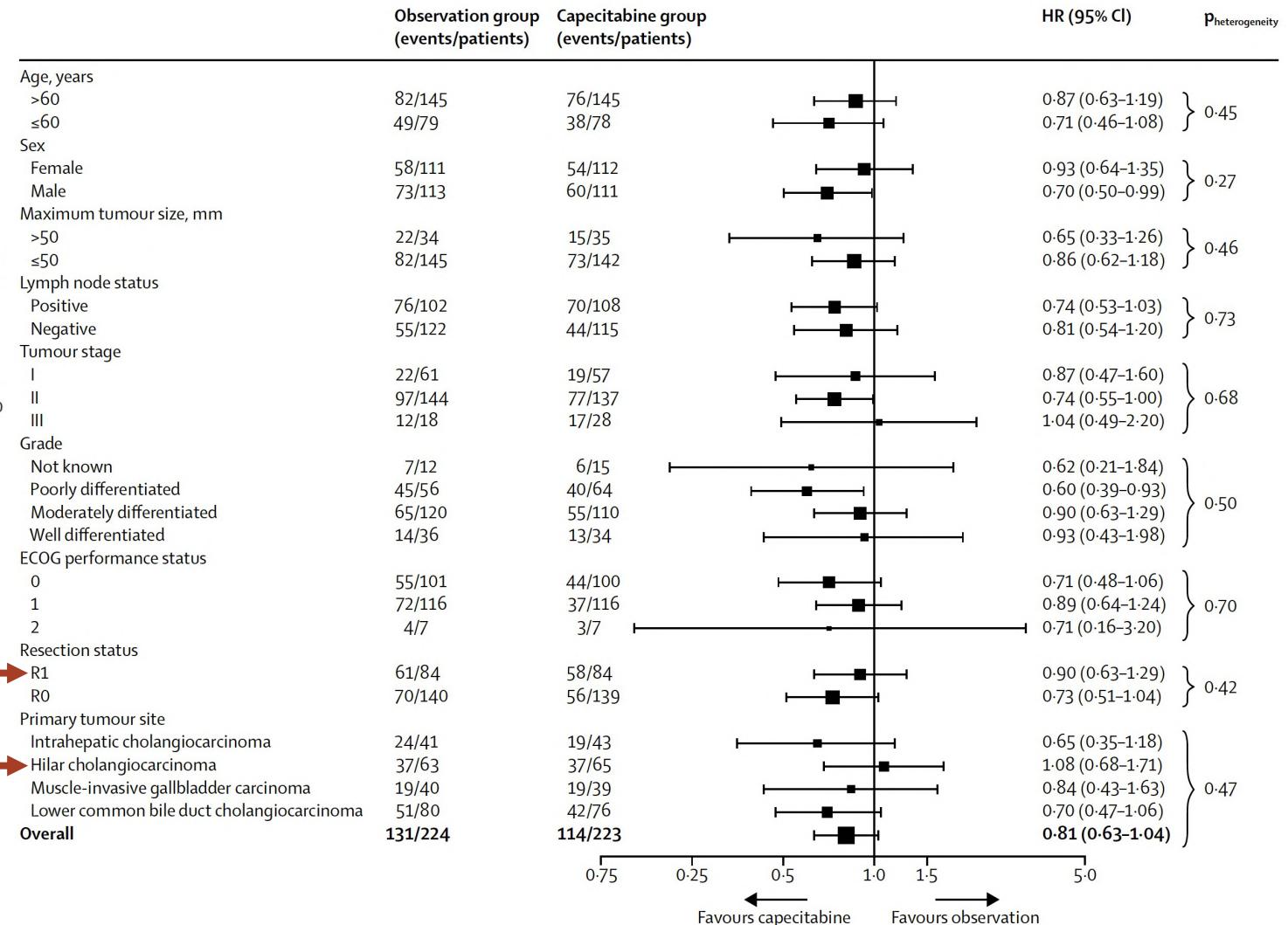
↑mRFS 17.5 > 24.4 months

↑mOS 36 > 53 months

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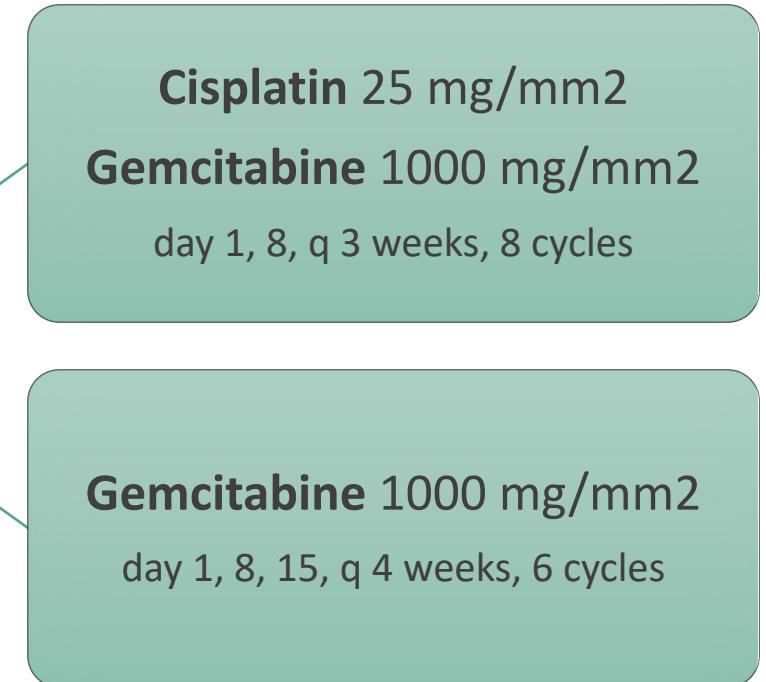
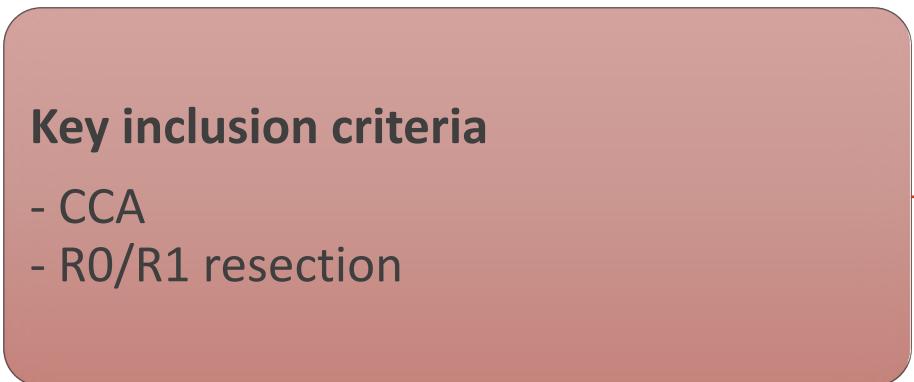


Not met primary end-point



GeCiCCA study - ongoing

Randomized, controlled, phase 3, multicenter centers in Thailand



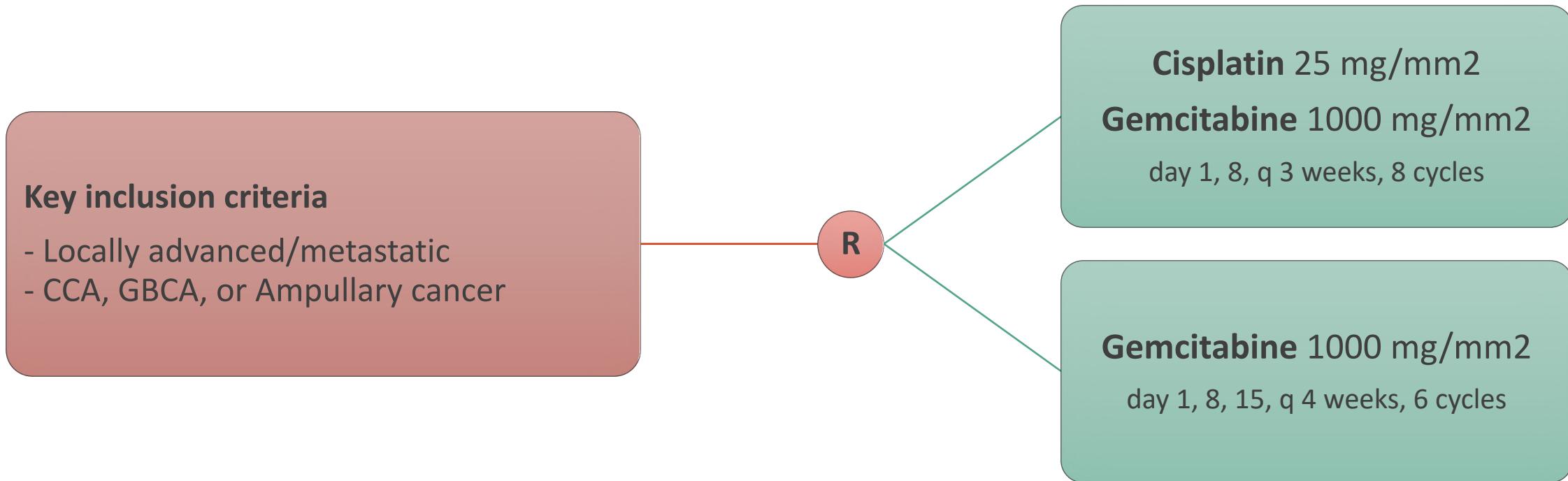
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Advanced stage



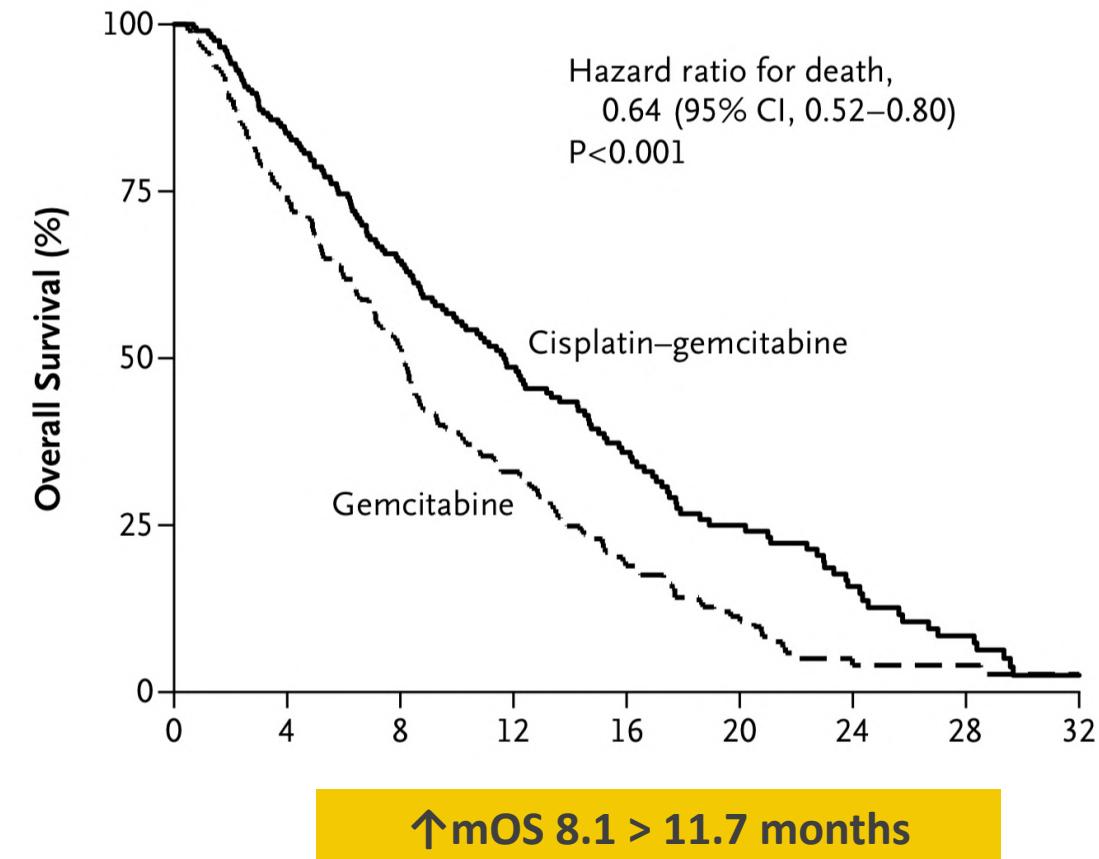
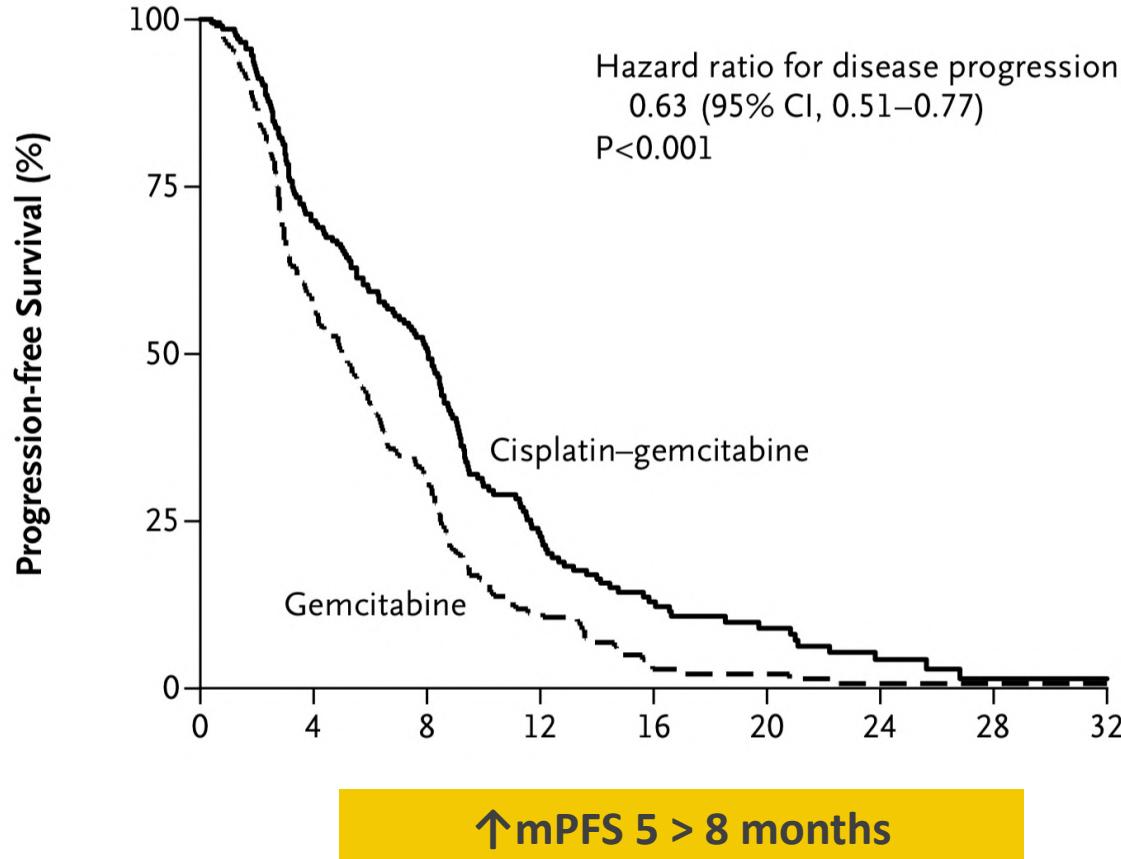
ABC-02 study

Randomized, controlled, phase 3, 37 centers in the United Kingdom



Primary end point: Overall survival

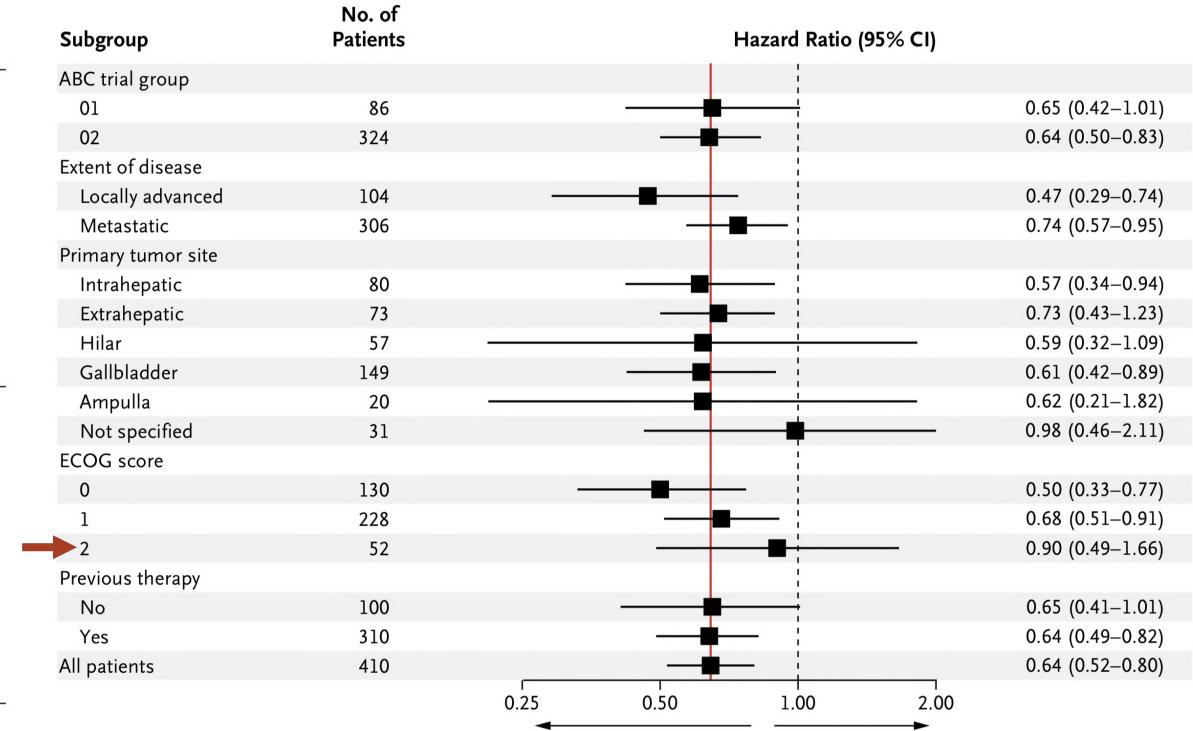
ABC-02 study



ABC-02 study

	Treatment arm		p value
	Gem	CisGem	
All evaluable patients	N=142	N=161	
Complete response	1 (0.7)	1 (0.6)	
Partial response	21 (14.8)	41 (25.5)	
Stable disease	80 (56.3)	89 (55.3)	
Progressive disease	40 (28.2)	30 (18.6)	
Tumour control (CR+PR+SD)	102 (71.8)	131 (81.4)	0.049
Difference (95% CI)	9.5% (0.1, 19.0)		
Gallbladder tumours	N=56	N=61	
Complete response	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Partial response	12 (21.4)	23 (37.7)	
Stable disease	31 (55.4)	29 (47.5)	
Progressive disease	13 (23.2)	9 (14.8)	
Tumour control (CR+PR+SD)	43 (76.8)	52 (85.2)	0.242
Difference (95% CI)	8.5% (-5.7, 22.7)		
Bile duct and ampullary tumours	N=86	N=100	
Complete response	1 (1.2)	1 (1.0)	
Partial response	9 (10.5)	18 (18.0)	
Stable disease	49 (57.0)	60 (60.0)	
Progressive disease	27 (31.4)	21 (21.0)	
Tumour control (CR+PR+SD)	59 (68.6)	79 (79.0)	0.106
Difference (95% CI)	10.4% (-2.2, 23.0)		

↑ORR 11.7 > 19%



Gemcitabine-based combination CMT

CMT	Study	Design	n	Population %CCA/GBC	ORR	PFS mo	OS mo
Gemcitabine + Cisplatin	ABC-02 ¹	Phase III	410	59/36	26.1%*	8	11.7
	Japanese ²	Phase III	83	57/39	19.5%	5.8	11.2
Gemcitabine + S1	JCOG 0805 ³	Phase II	101	56.8/37.3	36.4% vs 17.4%	7.1 vs 4.2	12.5 vs 9.0
Gemcitabine + S1	FUGA-BT ⁴	Phase III non-inferiority	354	57/39	29.8% vs 32.4%	6.8 vs 5.8	15.1 vs 13.4
Gemcitabine + Capecitabine	Canadian ⁵	Phase II	45	53/47	31%	7	14
	Korean ⁶	Phase II	44	68/16	32%	6	14
	Swiss ⁷	Phase II	44	80/18	25%	7.2	13.2
Gemcitabine + nabPaclitaxel	PrECOG ⁸	Phase II	74	100/0	25%	7.7	12.4

*Subgroup CCA

- ORR 19%
- DCR 79%

vs S-1

vs Gem/Cis

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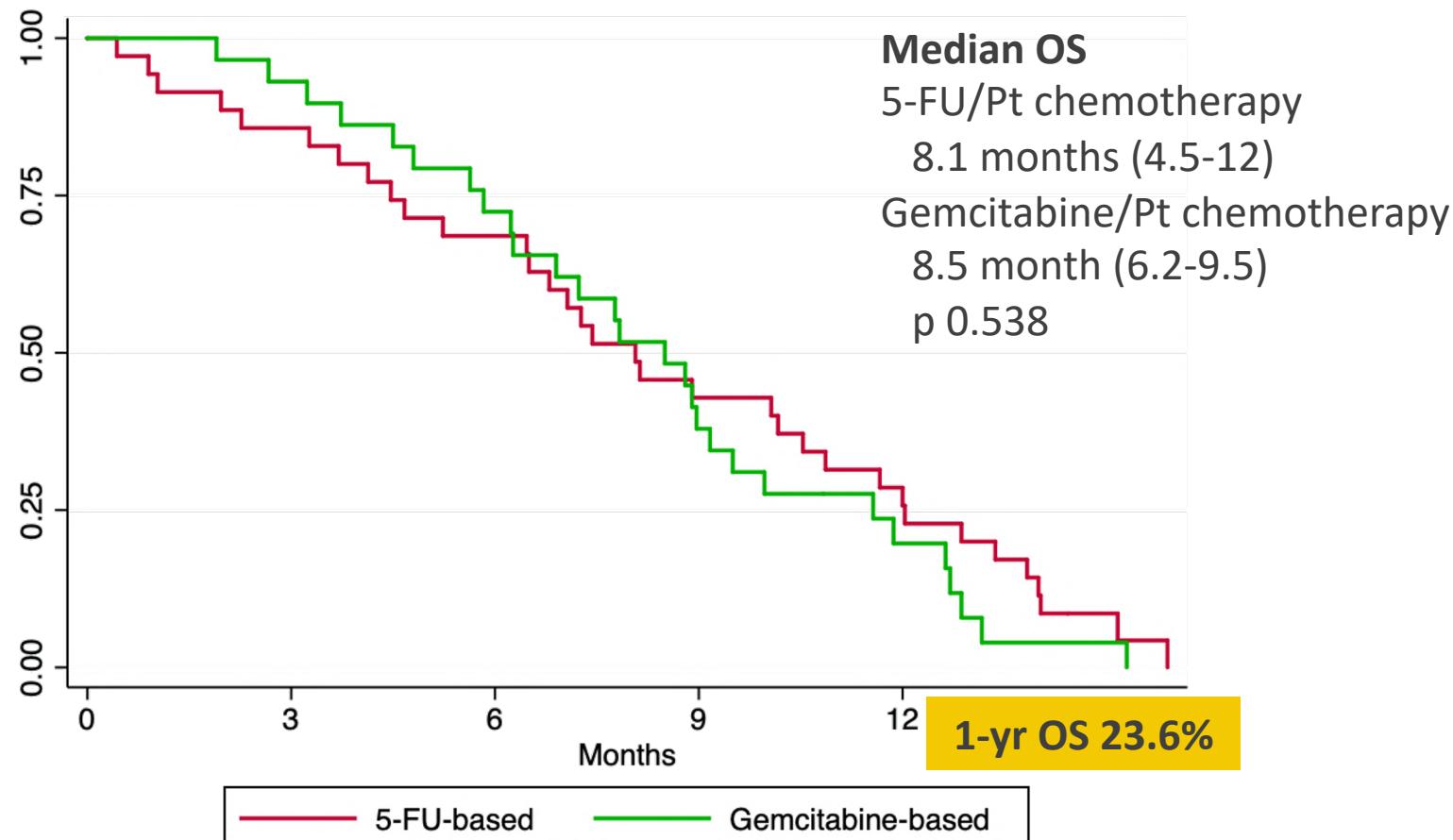
Outcome of first-line chemotherapy in Thailand

Study	Population	Treatment	n	ORR*	DCR	mPFS	mOS
Thanasombunsukh, 2015 Retrospective	Thai, Chiang Mai Radiographic-diagnosed CCA	Gemcitabine/ Cisplatin	223	20.6%	61.9	5.4 mo	9.7 mo
Sanlung, 2018 Retrospective	Thai, Khon Kaen Histology-proven CCA	Gem/Pt chemo	29	9.5%	42.9%	-	8.5 mo (6.2-9.5)
		5-FU/Pt chemo	25	8.3%	41.7%	-	8.1 mo (4.5-12)
Mungwattana, 2015 Retrospective	Thai, Khon Kaen Histology-proven CCA	Gem-based chemo	81	4.8%	31.0%	-	7.4 mo (6.3-8.4)
		5-FU-based chemo	143	0%	24.4%	-	7.4 mo (6.7-8.6)

*Evaluable lesion

First-line Chemotherapy in CCA

Srinagarind hospital Retrospective data



ABC-06 study design

Phase III, randomised, open-label

Inclusion criteria

- Histo/cytologically verified **advanced BTC**
- **ECOG performance score 0-1**
- **Progression after 1st-line CisGem**
- Max **6 weeks progression to randomisation**
- Adequate haematological, renal & hepatic function



Arm A

Active Symptom Control (ASC)

- May include: biliary drainage, antibiotics, analgesia, steroids, anti-emetics etc
- 4-weekly clinical review

Arm B

Active Symptom Control + mFOLFOX

- Chemotherapy every 14 days for up to 12 cycles
- Day 1: Oxaliplatin 85mg/m², L-folinic acid 175 mg (or folinic acid 350 mg), 5 FU 400 mg/m² (bolus), 5 FU 2400 mg/m² 46 hours continuous infusion
- 4-weekly clinical review after chemotherapy
- 3-monthly radiological assessment

Stratification factors

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- Platinum sensitivity** (yes vs. no; determined from first-line CisGem*)
 - Serum albumin** (<35 vs. ≥35 g/L)
 - Stage** (locally advanced vs. metastatic disease)

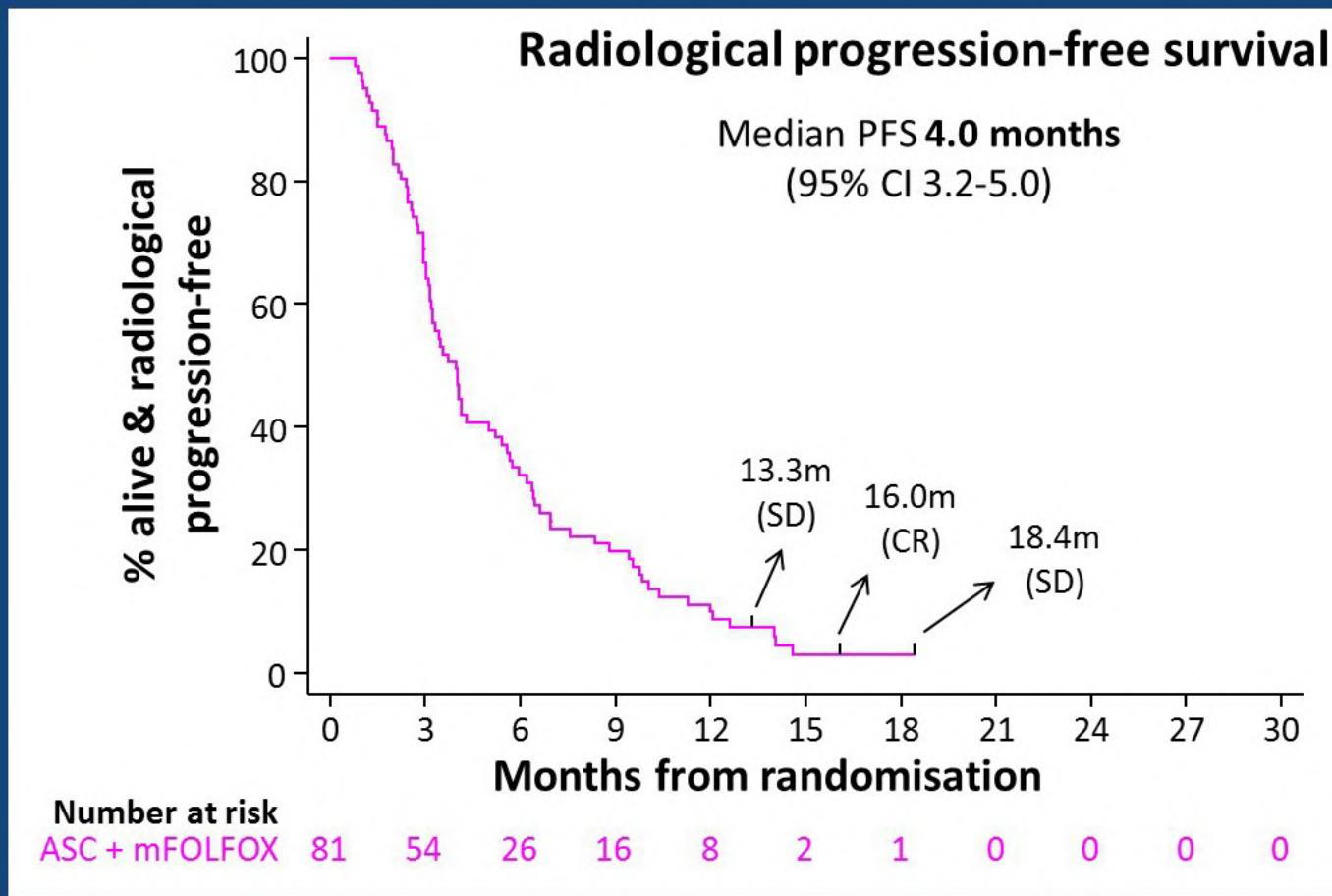
*determined from first-line CisGem: sensitive (progression after three months (90 days) of day 1 of the last cycle of 1st-line CisGem), refractory (progression during 1st line CisGem), resistant (progression within the first three months (90 days) after completion of day 1 of the last cycle of 1st line CisGem). CisGem: cisplatin and gemcitabine; BTC: biliary tract cancer; ECOG: Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group

Follow up

- Overall survival = primary end-point
- Until death or until completion of 12 months after enrolment of the final patient (whichever happened first)



Secondary end-points: radiological PFS and best Response Rate (Arm B; ITT)

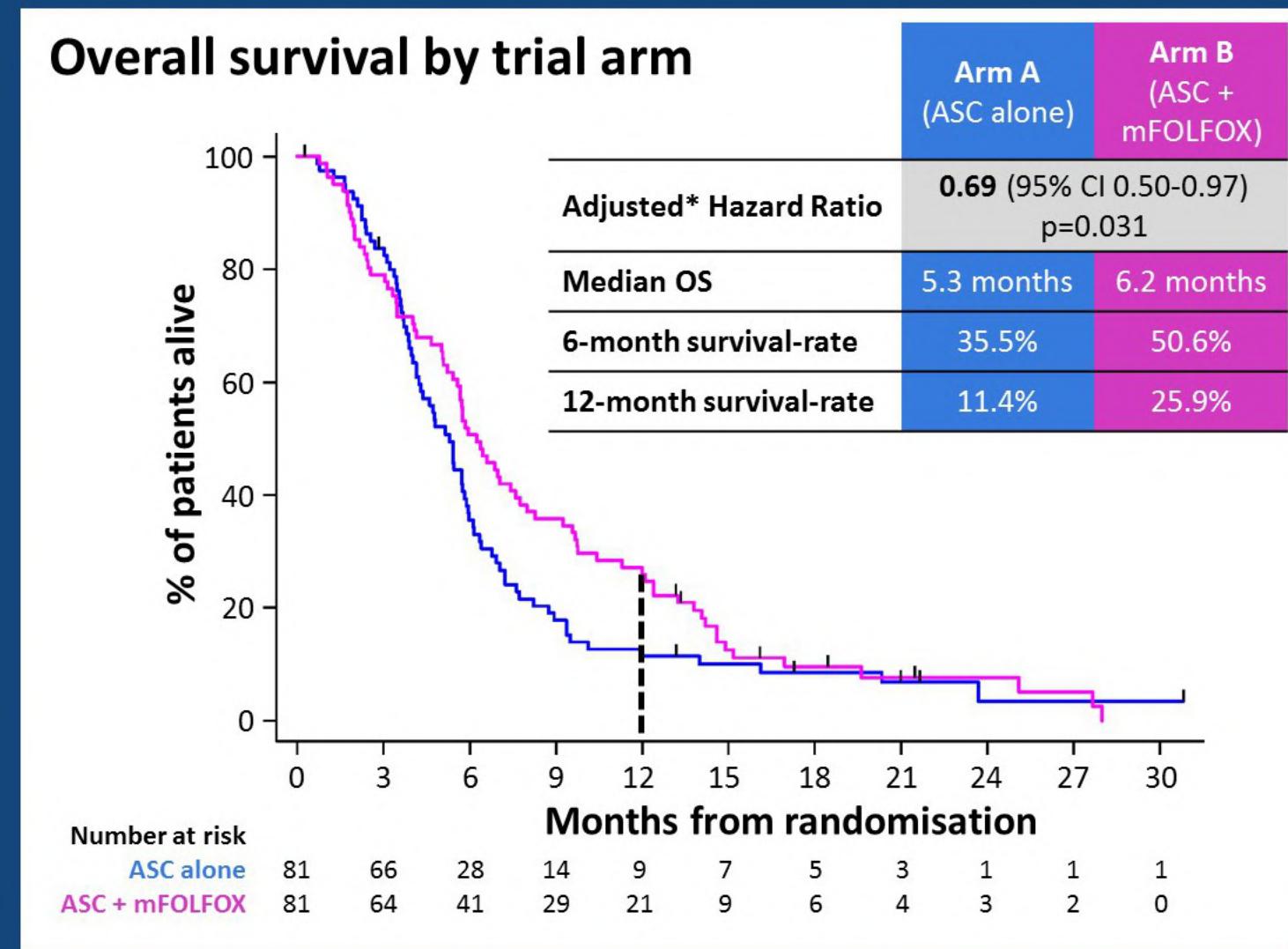


Best response rate (RECIST v.1.1)	Arm B (ASC + mFOLFOX) n=81 pts	
	n	%
Complete response (CR)	1	1
Partial response (PR)	3	4
Stable disease (SD)	23	28
Response rate (CR + PR)	4	5
Disease-control rate (CR+ PR + SD)	27	33
Progressive disease	30	37
Death	23	28
Not evaluable (non measurable disease)	1	1

PFS: progression-free survival; m: months; RECIST: Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; pts: patients; RR: response rate; DCR: disease control rate; ITT: intention-to-treat

Primary end-point: Overall Survival (ITT)

- The **primary end-point was met**: adjusted* HR was 0.69 (95% CI 0.50-0.97; p=0.031) for OS in favour of ASC + mFOLFOX arm (vs ASC)
- No marked evidence was identified against the key proportional hazards assumption**; which confirmed the validity of using the Cox Regression analysis



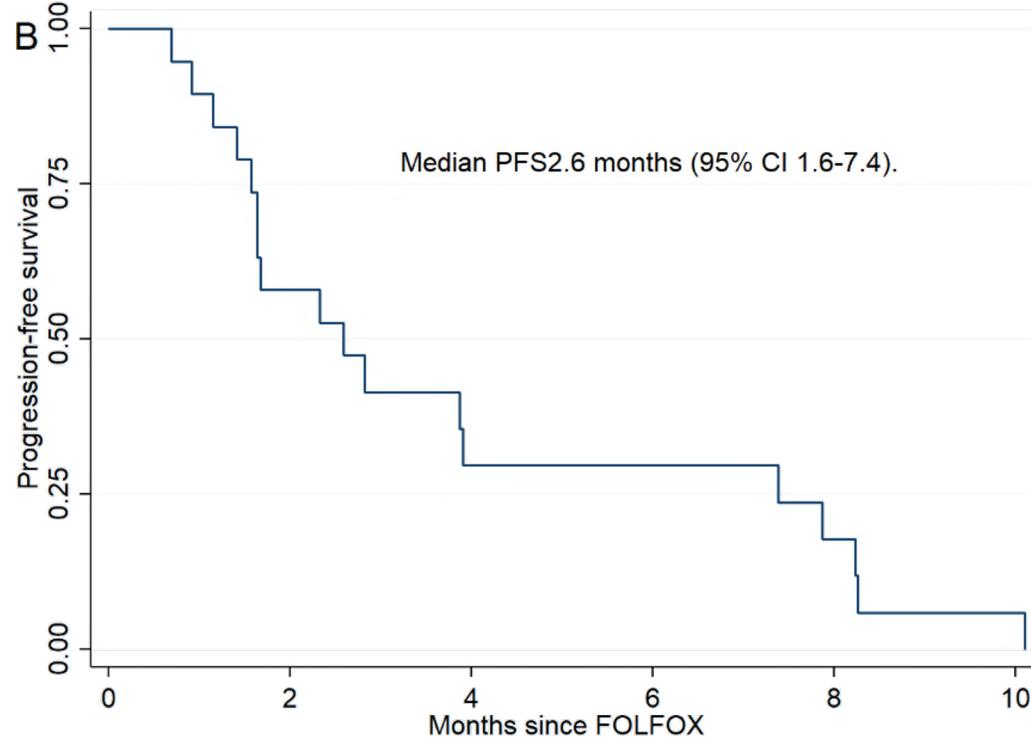
*adjusted for platinum sensitivity, albumin and stage

**proportional hazards assumption test p-value 0.6521

ITT: intention-to-treat analysis; ASC: active symptom control

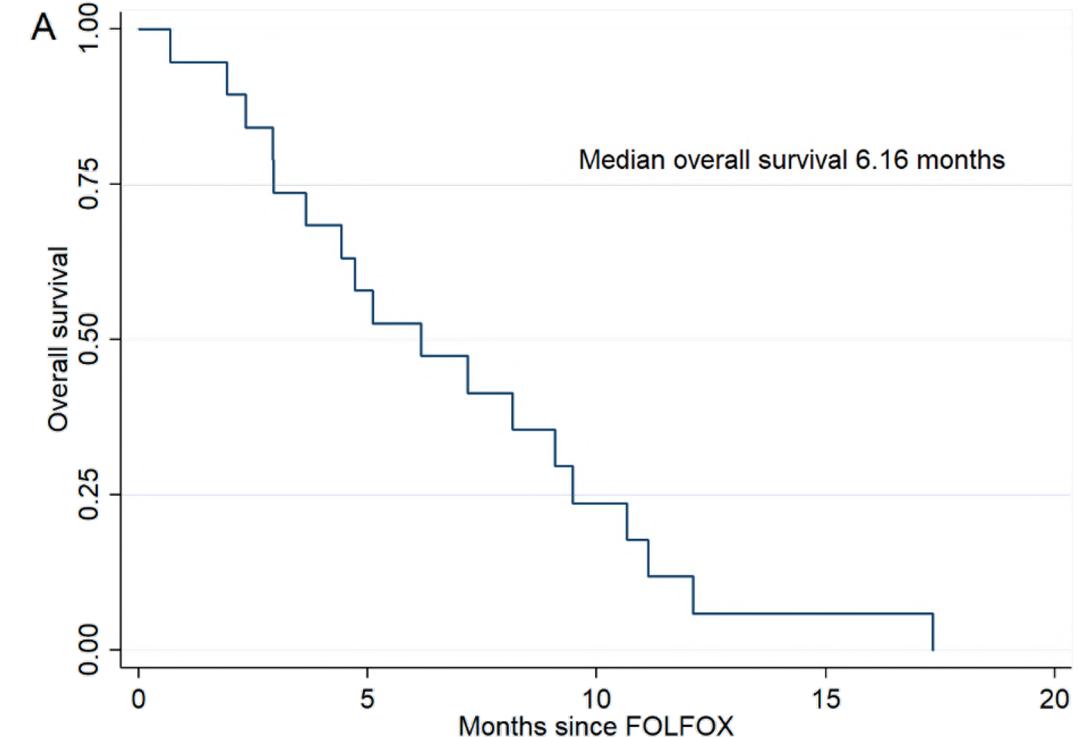
Second-line FOLFOX in CCA

Srinagarind hospital Retrospective data



mPFS 2.6 months

DCR 77% (15% PR & 62% SD)



mOS 6.16 months

1. Punyaporn Cheewasathianchai, Outcomes of FOLFOX4 chemotherapy as a second-line treatment for advanced biliary tract cancer .

Subsequent systemic anti-cancer therapies

Subsequent line of systemic anti-cancer therapy	Total n=162		Arm A (ASC alone) n=81 pts		Arm B (ASC + mFOLFOX) n=81 pts	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Yes	22	14	12	15	10	12
Phase I	5	3	3	4	2	2
Chemotherapy	17	10	9	11	8	10
FOLFOX/CAPOX	7	4	5*	6	2	2
CisGem	4	2	3	4	1	1
FOLFIRI	1	1	0	0	1**	1
Gemcitabine + Carboplatin	1	1	0	0	1	1
Gemcitabine	1	1	0	0	1	1
5-Fluorouracil	1	1	0	0	1	1
Irinotecan	1	1	0	0	1	1
Dendritic cell vaccine therapy	1	1	1	1	0	0

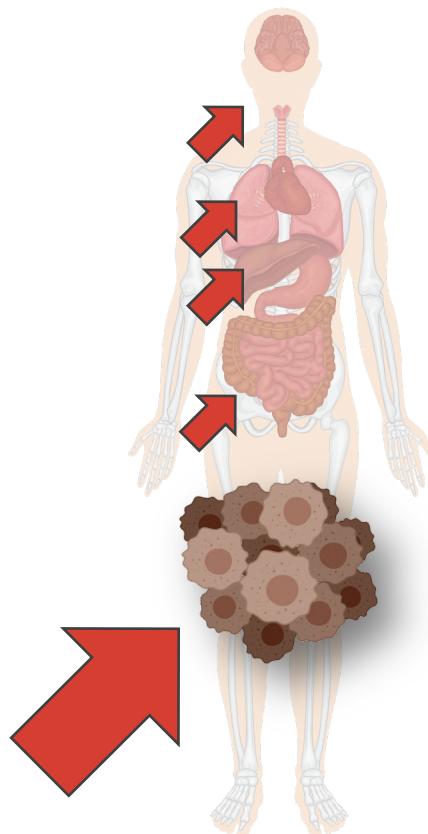
*1 patient was treated with: 2nd and 3rd liner FOLFOX + 4th line capecitabine

**1 patient received CisGem (4th line)

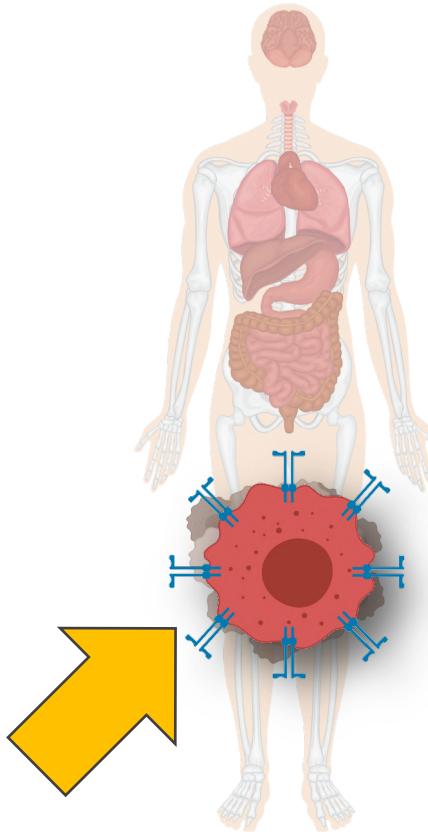
FOLFOX: 5-FU+oxaliplatin; CAPOX: capecitabine + oxaliplatin;

CisGem: cisplatin +gemcitabine; FOLFIRI: 5-fluorouracil + irinotecan

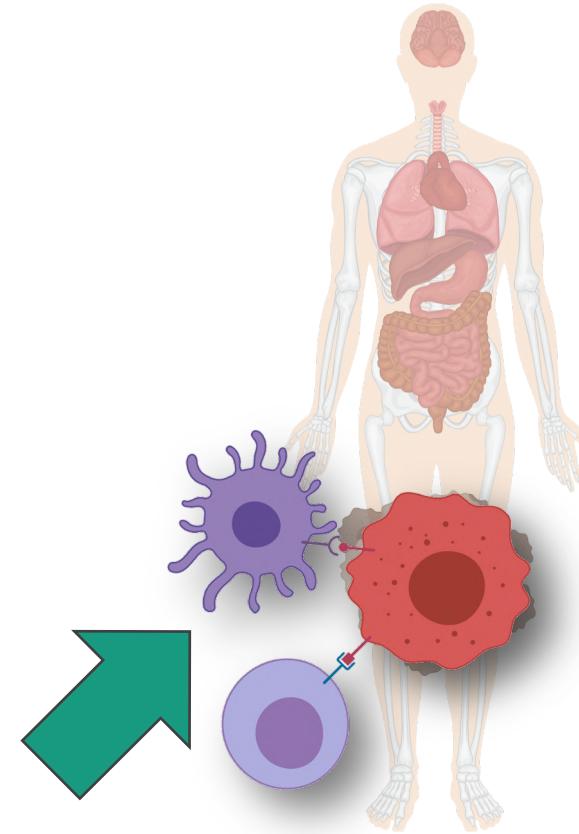
Current Cancer Systemic Therapy



Chemotherapy

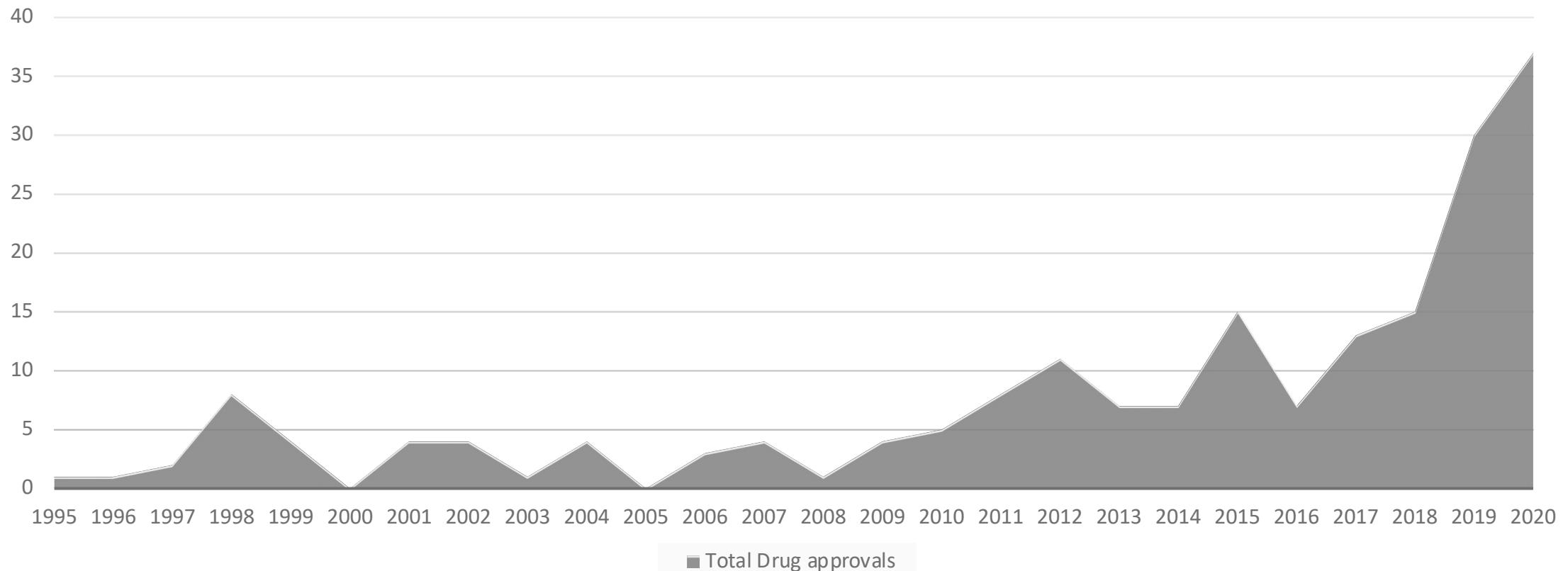


Targeted therapy



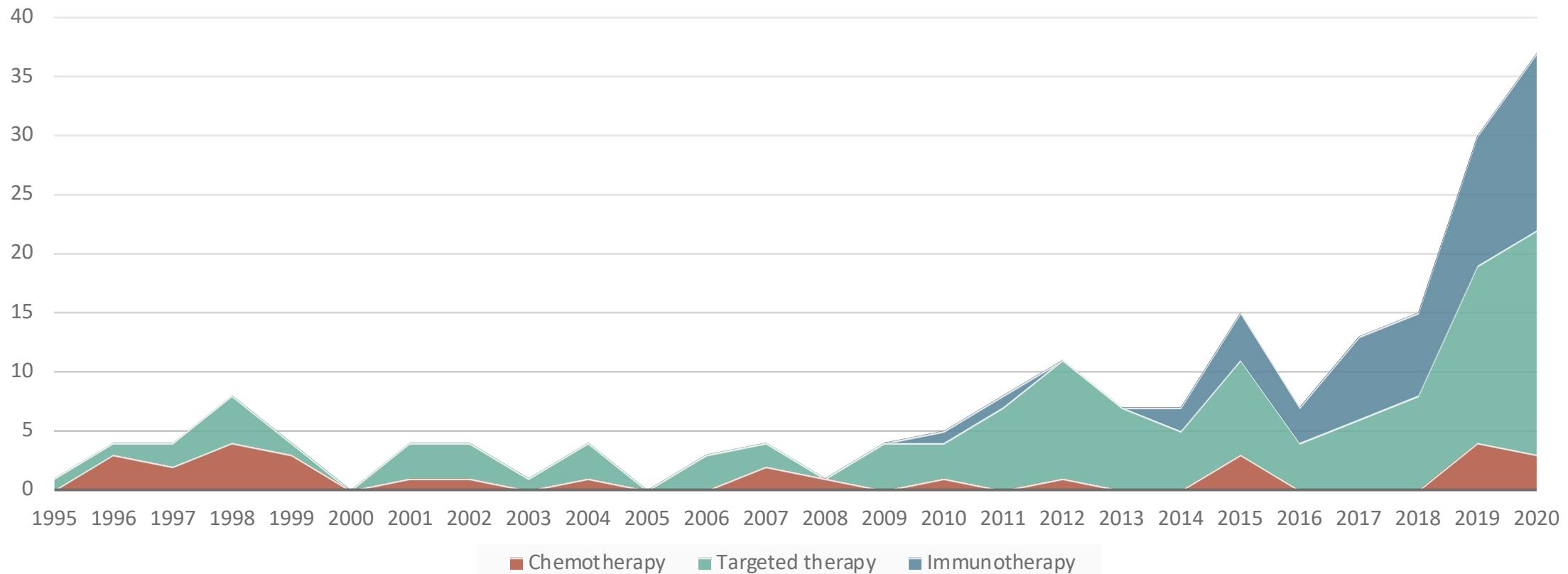
Immunotherapy

US-FDA approved indication for solid cancer treatment



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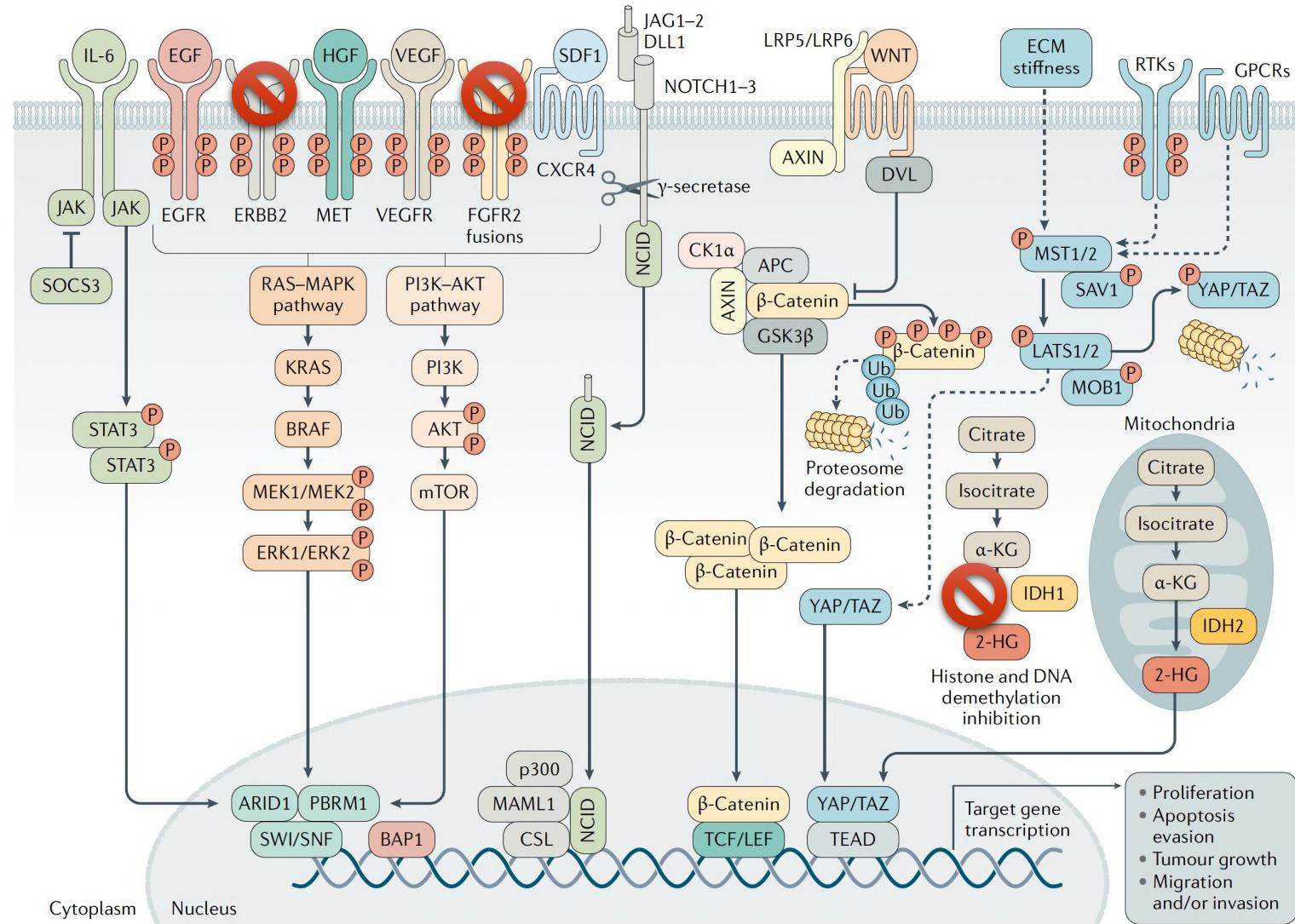
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Targeted therapy



Trastuzumab combination with first-line chemotherapy in the advanced CCA

Phase II single-arm Simon's minimax two-stage designs
n = 27 were planned



Key inclusion criteria

- Locally advanced or metastatic CCA
- Positive HER-2 amplification or mutation by IHC, FISH or NGS
- Chemotherapy and Trastuzumab naïve or end of adjuvant therapy > 12 months
- Age 18-80 years, ECOG 0-1
- Measurable lesion, adequate organ function

Trastuzumab +
Cisplatin + Gemcitabine ^{1,2}

¹Trastuzumab 6(8) mg/kg IV q 3 weeks
Cisplatin 25 mg/mm² and
Gemcitabine 1000 mg/mm³ day 1, 8 q 3 weeks
Up to 8 cycles

²Evaluation CT scan every 12 weeks

Primary end-point: ORR by RECIST 1.1

Secondary end-point: PFS, OS, DCR, QOL, AEs

Immunotherapy therapy

- MSI-H tumor
 - Pembrolizumab
- KEYNOTE-966 - ongoing
 - Pembrolizumab + Gemcitabine/Cisplatin
- TOPAZ-1 - ongoing
 - Durvalumab + Gemcitabine/Cisplatin

NCCN guidelines 5.2020

Primary Treatment for Unresectable and Metastatic Disease

Preferred Regimens

- Gemcitabine + cisplatin⁴ (category 1)

Other Recommended Regimens

- 5-fluorouracil + oxaliplatin
- 5-fluorouracil + cisplatin
- Capecitabine + cisplatin
- Capecitabine + oxaliplatin
- Gemcitabine + albumin-bound paclitaxel (cholangiocarcinoma only)
- Gemcitabine + capecitabine
- Gemcitabine + oxaliplatin
- Gemcitabine + cisplatin + albumin-bound paclitaxel¹ (category 2B)
- Single agents:
 - ▶ 5-fluorouracil
 - ▶ Capecitabine
 - ▶ Gemcitabine

Useful in Certain Circumstances

- For *NTRK* gene fusion-positive tumors:
 - ▶ Entrectinib⁵⁻⁷
 - ▶ Larotrectinib⁸
- For MSI-H/dMMR tumors:
 - ▶ Pembrolizumab^{d,e,9}

Subsequent-line Therapy for Biliary Tract Cancers if Disease Progression

Preferred Regimens

- FOLFOX¹⁰

Other Recommended Regimens

- FOLFIRI¹¹ (category 2B)
- Regorafenib¹² (category 2B)
- See also: Preferred and Other Recommended Regimens for Unresectable and Metastatic Disease above^f

Useful in Certain Circumstances^f

- For *NTRK* gene fusion-positive tumors:
 - ▶ Entrectinib⁵⁻⁷
 - ▶ Larotrectinib⁸
- For MSI-H/dMMR tumors:
 - ▶ Pembrolizumab^{d,e,9}
- For cholangiocarcinoma with *FGFR2* fusions or rearrangements:
 - ▶ Pemigatinib¹³
- For cholangiocarcinoma with *IDH1* mutations
 - ▶ Ivosidenib¹⁴

Comprehensive care in CCA

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Disease factors

- Diagnosis
- Staging
 - Early stage
 - Survival 3-5 yr
 - Advanced stage
 - Survival <1 yr

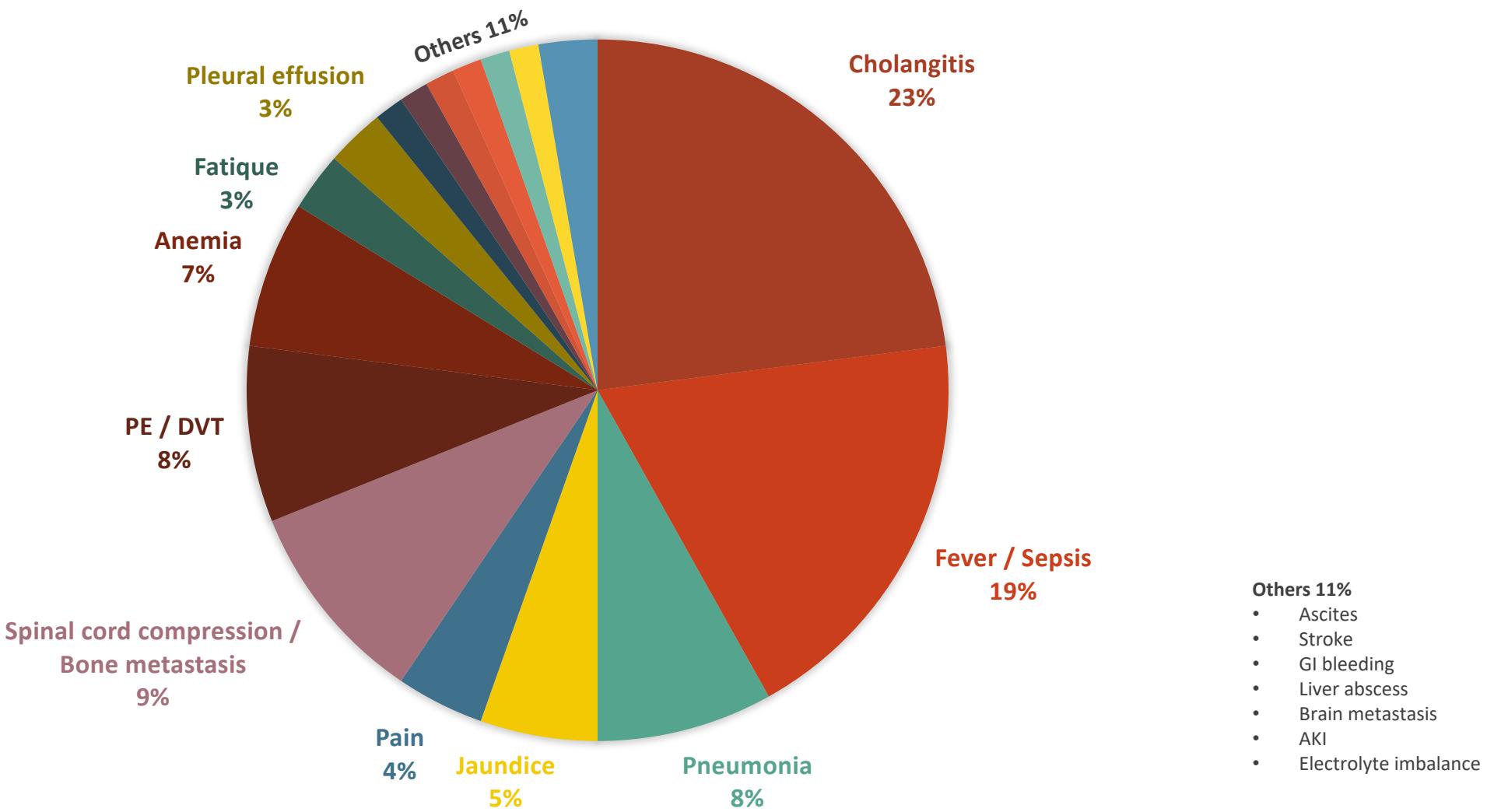
Patient factors

- Performance status

Treatment factors

- Goal
- Option > Chemotherapy

IPD Complication of CCA patients



Comprehensive care in CCA

Disease factors

- Diagnosis
- Staging
 - Early stage
 - Survival 3-5 yr
 - Advanced stage
 - Survival <1 yr

Treatment factors

- Goal
- Option > Chemotherapy

Patient factors

- Performance status
 - ECOG 0-1 (2?)
- Complication
 - TB <3 (5?)
 - ALT AST <100 (150-200?)
- Underlying disease
- Reimbursement / Socioeconomic status
- Patient (and relative) preference

One-slide CHOLANGIOPANCREATIC CANCER advice

Early stage

- Resection alone : relapse-free 1½ years, OS 3 years
- Adjuvant Capecitabine : relapse-free +½ year, OS + 1½ years

Advanced stage



Response 2/10
Progression-free 8 months (5 mo?)

Overall survival 11 months (8 mo?)

~5-FU/Pt (UC)

Response 1/10
Progression-free 4 months

Overall survival 6 months

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Take home messages

- CCA is a major problem in Thailand, especially in the northeast.
- 1-2 lines of chemotherapy are approved in advanced CCA with an expected survival of almost 1 year.
- Careful patient selection and comprehensive multidisciplinary care are important.



Q&A