

# 991P - EGFR exon 20 insertions in non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC): Impact of TP53 mutation status and value of immune-checkpoint blockade (ICB)



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## Background

About 4% of all *EGFR* mutations account as exon 20 insertions, which convey resistance to the first three generations of *EGFR*-tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs). Recent research has revealed new drugs to target these mutations specifically. However, little is known about the impact of immune-checkpoint blockade (ICB) in this subgroup, especially in patients with co-occurring *TP53* mutations.

## Results

Real-world-data (RWD) of 159 advanced NSCLC patients with *EGFR* exon 20 insertion in the timeframe of 2014-2020 were analyzed. *TP53* mutation was the most common co-occurring mutation in 69 (43.7%) patients. OS of *TP53* wildtype patients was trended towards longer OS with 20 vs. 12 months, without reaching significance (p=0.092). No difference of OS referring to the subtype of *TP53* mutations was observed (p=0.412). In total, 66 pts were treated with ICB in one of the treatment lines reaching significantly longer OS of 22 vs. 10 months (p=0.018). In patients with co-occurring *TP53* mutation, patients who received ICB (n=33) had significantly longer OS than those without ICB exposure 16 vs. 8 months (p=0.048). Partly lack of significance might be explainable by a median follow-up time of 1498 days (4.1 years).

## Methods

We analyzed co-occurring mutations in patients with *EGFR* exon 20 insertions and their influence on the efficacy of systemic treatment. The main focus was impact of ICB on overall survival (OS) in these patients with or without *TP53* mutations. Co-mutational status was assessed using next-generation-sequencing (NGS) panels. *TP53* mutations were further divided into truncating vs. non-truncating mutations.

Figure 2: Kaplan Meier curves demonstrating survival differences in subgroups  
In brackets: 95% confidence interval. p-values estimated by Log rank, HR by Cox proportional hazards regression

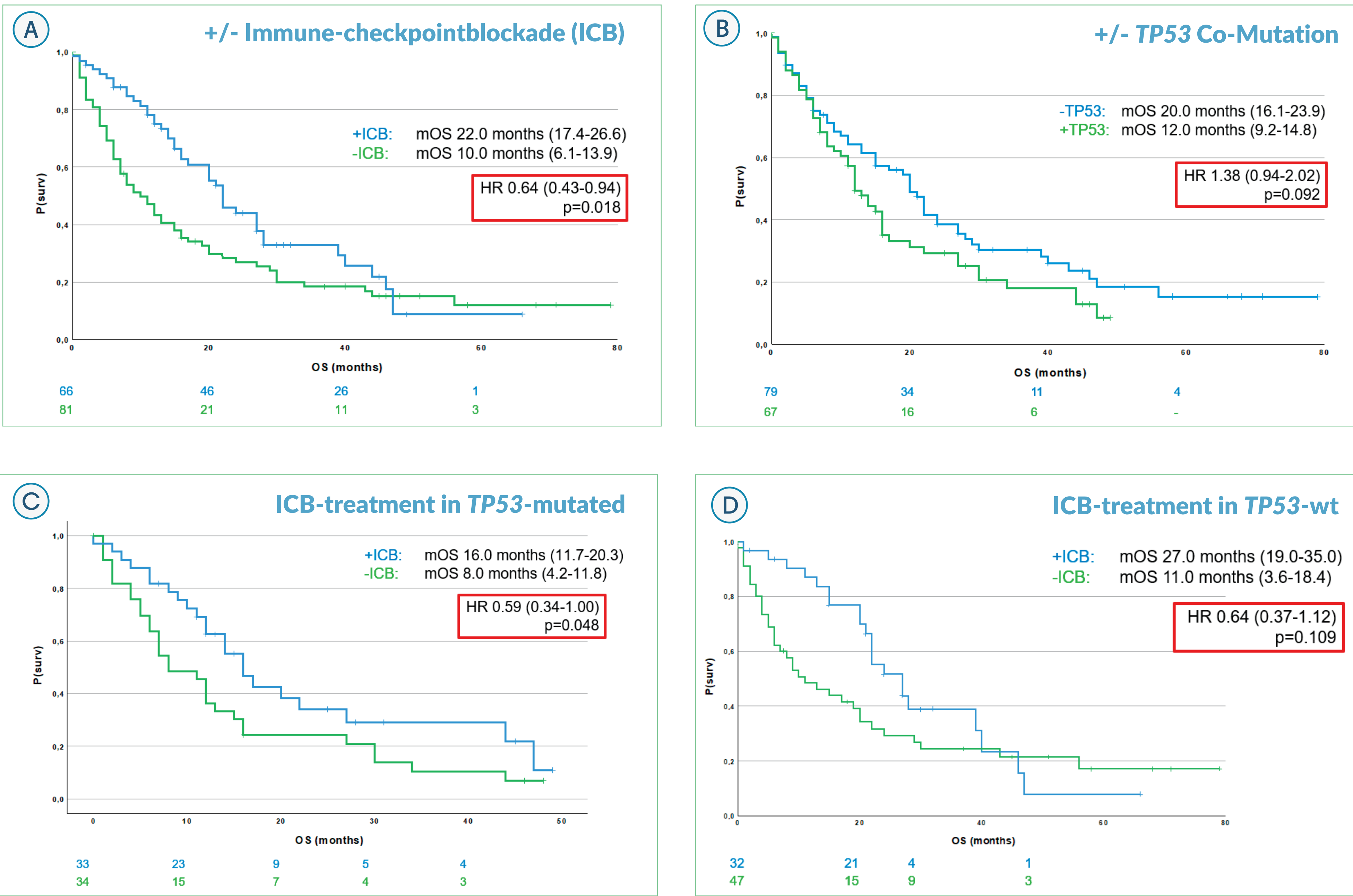


Figure 1: Baseline characteristics, treatment patterns and co-occurring mutations in the cohort

	N	%
Sex	159	
male	60	37.7%
female	99	62.3%
Age at diagnosis (years)		
mean	65.87 (range: 32-88)	
median	68	
Histology		
adenocarcinoma	153	96.2%
squamous cell carcinoma	5	3.1%
other	1	0.6%
Smoking history		
yes	80	50.3%
no	61	38.4%
n/a	18	11.3%
ECOG performance status		
0-1	98	61.6%
>1	7	4.4%
n/a	54	34.0%
Tumor stage at diagnosis		
I	15	9.4%
II	7	4.4%
IIIA	13	8.2%
IIIB	6	3.8%
IV	118	74.2%

Treatment with ICB in any line		
yes	66	41.5%
ICB monotherapy	41	62.1%
ICB combinational therapy	25	37.9%
ICB from 1 <sup>st</sup> line	53	80.3%
ICB from 2 <sup>nd</sup> or further lines	13	19.7%
no	93	58.5%

Co-occurring mutations		
TP53	69/158	43.7%
truncating	18	26.1%
other	51	73.9%
KRAS	3/158	1.9%
PTEN	4/155	2.6%
BRAF	1/158	0.6%
CTNNB1	5/155	3.2%
DDR2	2/102	0.0%
FGFR3	1/107	0.9%
KEAP1	2/55	3.6%
PIK3CA	9/157	5.7%
PD-L1	52/110	47.3%

12 patients never reached stage IIIB/IV  
- excluded from OS evaluation → n for OS = 147

## Conclusions

Regardless of subtype, *TP53* co-mutation seems to be a strong negative prognostic factor in NSCLC pts with *EGFR* exon 20 insertions. However, in contrast to common *EGFR* mutations, these pts seem to benefit from the ICB, regardless of treatment line or regimen (mono- or combinational therapy).

