

# TTF FIELDS FOR THE THORACIC ONCOLOGIST

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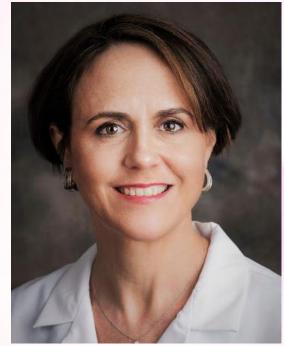














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### **Outline**



- Technology
  - MOA
- Trials
  - LUNAR
    - Subsets
  - B36
  - LUNAR-2
  - METIS
  - STELLAR





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## Neuro-Oncology

Neuro-Oncology 18(3), 303-305, 2016 doi:10.1093/neuonc/now012

#### TTFields: where does all the skepticism come from?

#### Wolfgang Wick

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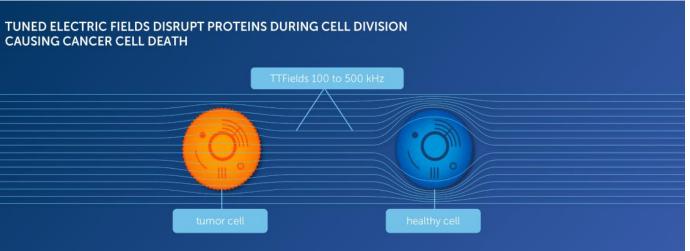


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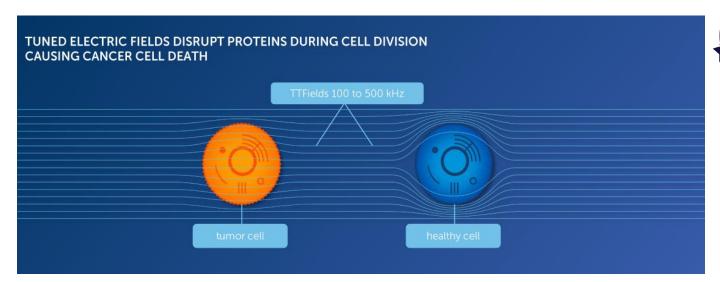


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#### **Unanswered Questions:**

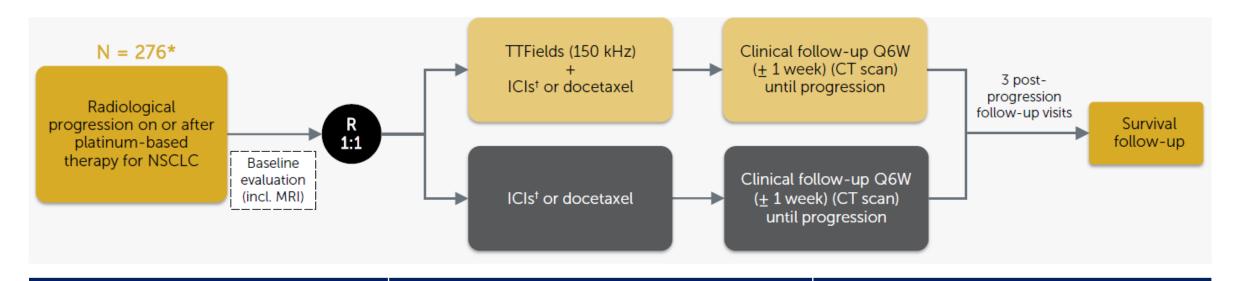
- Lack of clear mechanism in human systems/multiple tissue interfaces
- Single agent efficacy? Always studied in combination with SOC
- Lack of blinded/sham control data
- Time on therapy
- 4. Cost/Access





# LUNAR: Phase III Randomized Open Label Study of TTF Therapy Concurrent with ICI or Docetaxel in Stage IV NSCLC following progression on or after platinum based therapies





Primary Key Seconda	ary Other Secondary
<ul> <li>OS with TTFields + SOC</li> <li>vs SOC alone</li> <li>OS in ICI-treated subgroup</li> <li>OS in docetaxel-treated subgroup</li> </ul>	

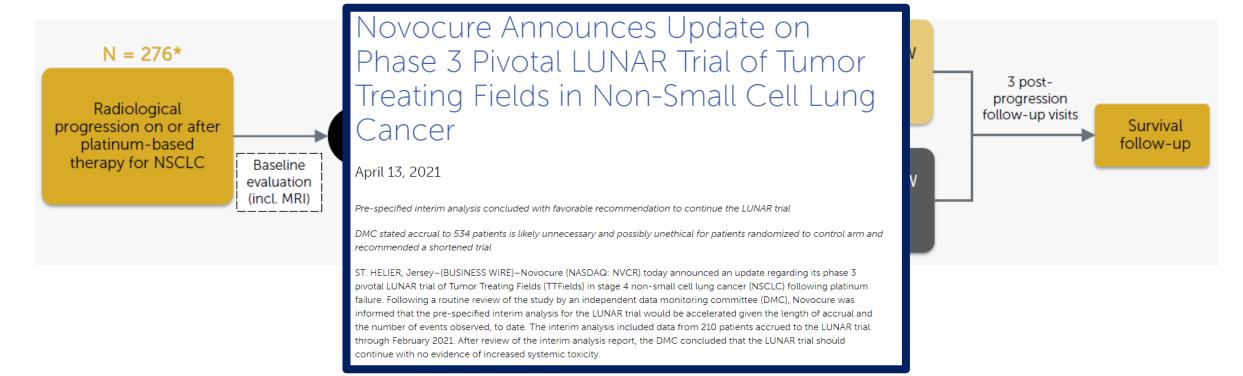
Data Cut: November 26, 2022

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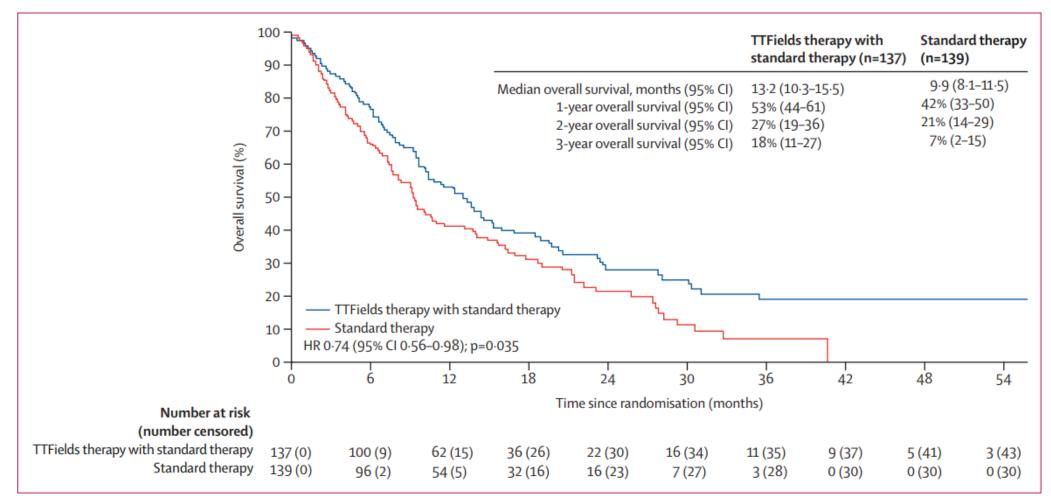
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#### **LUNAR: Overall Survival in the IIT Population**



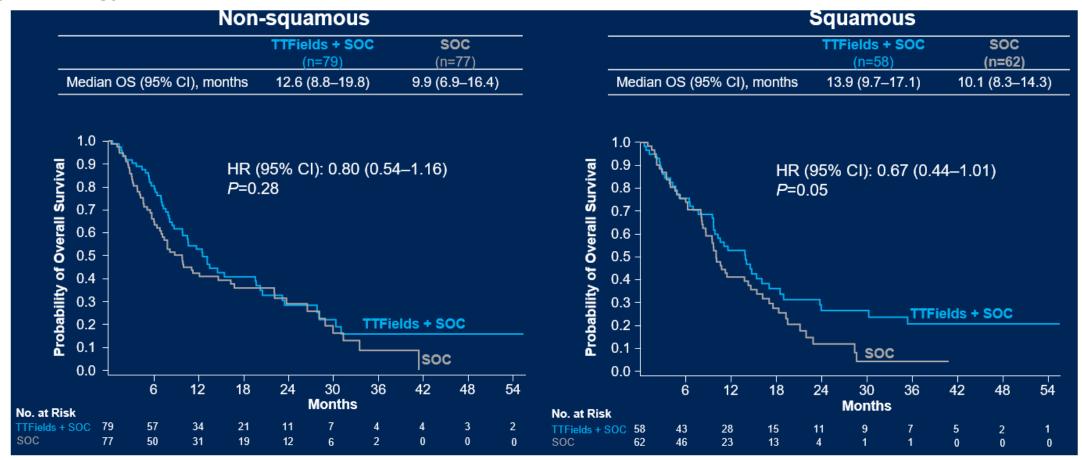


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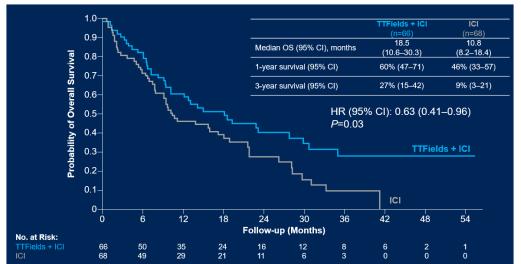
#### OS by histology:



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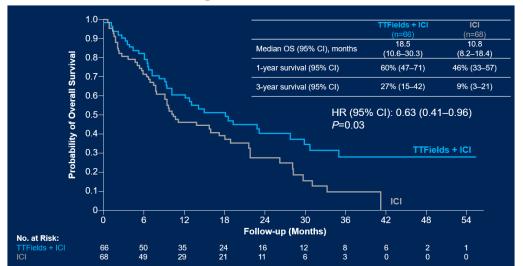


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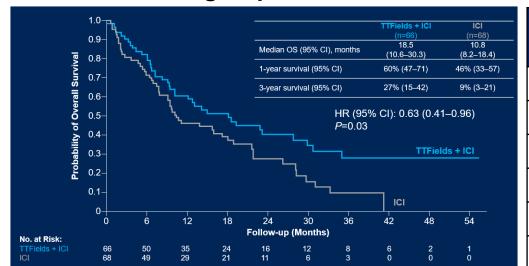
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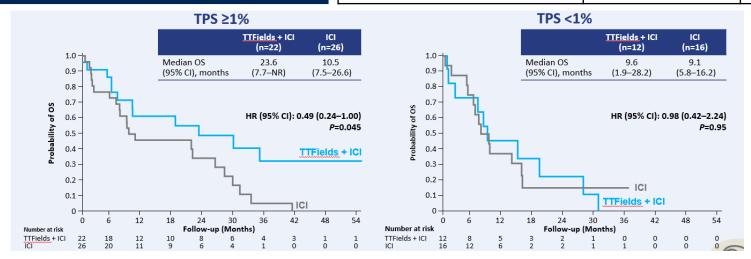


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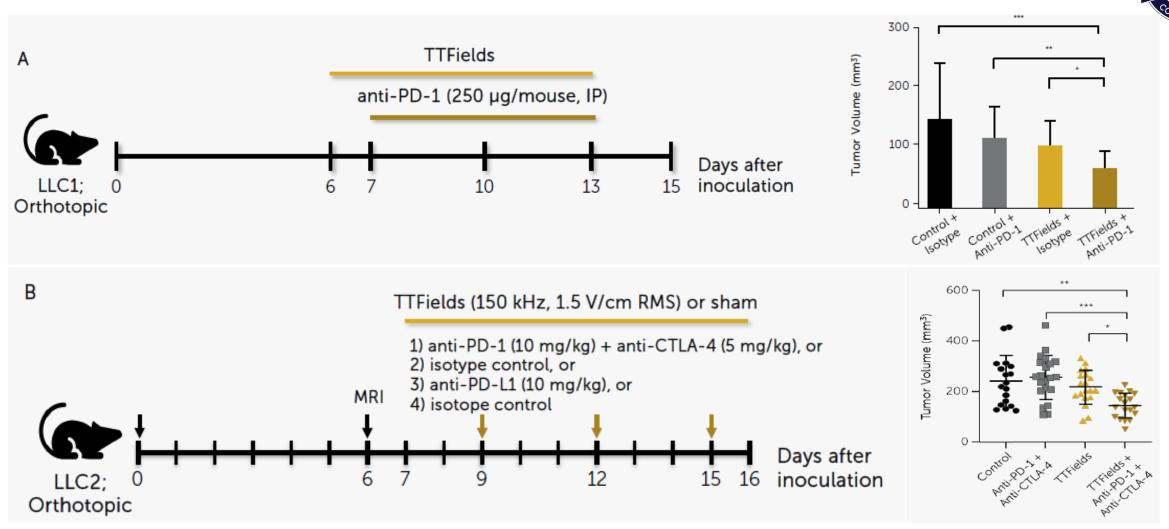
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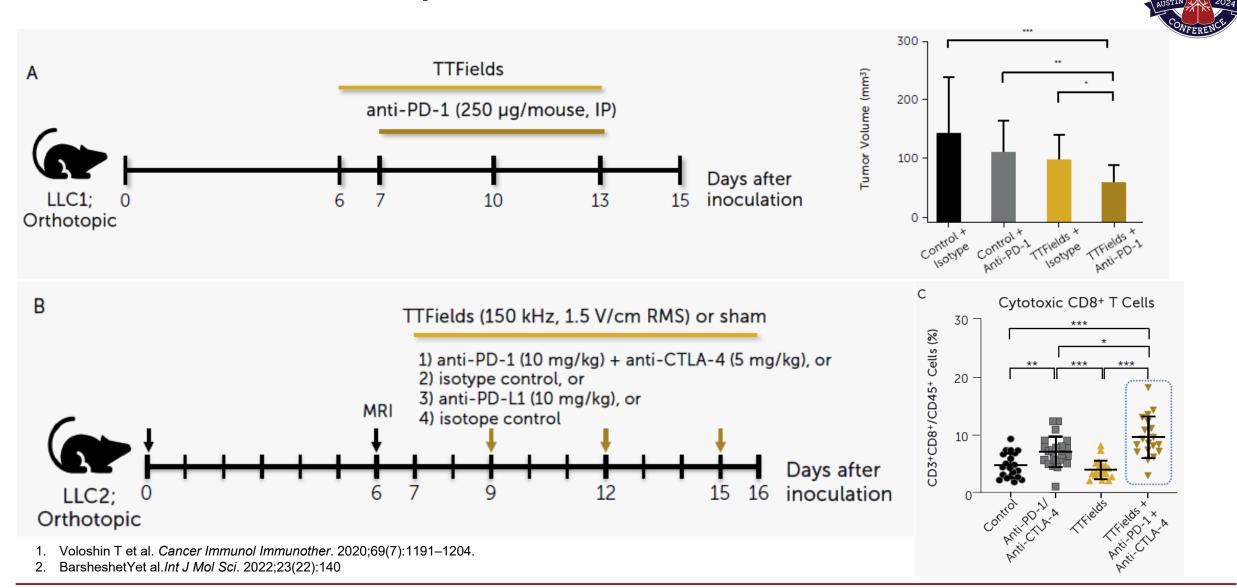
### TTFields + Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in vivo



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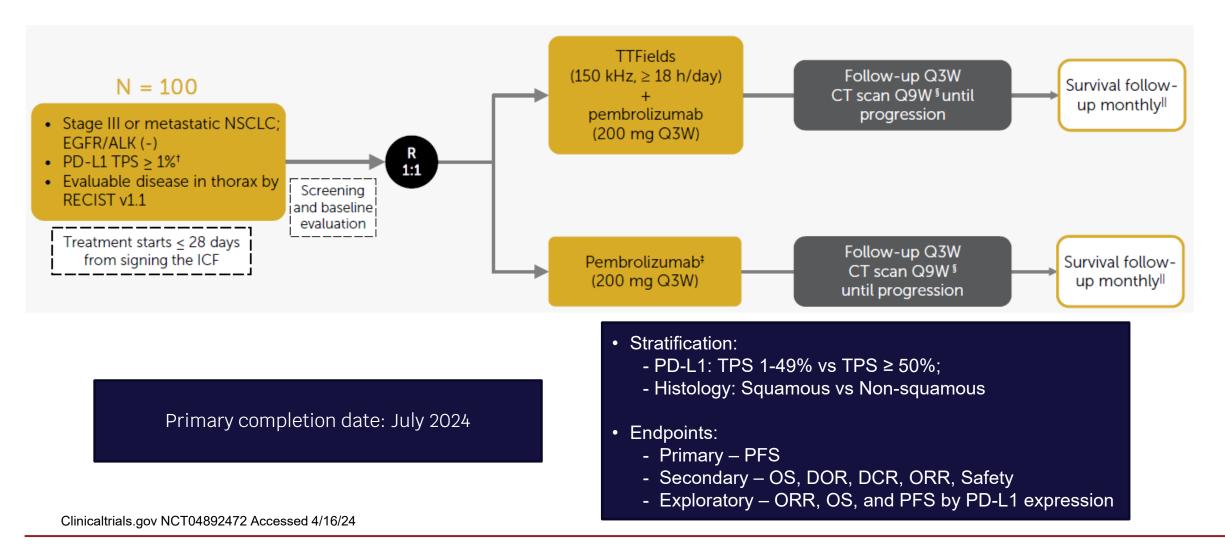
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## KEYNOTE B36: A Pilot, Randomized, Open-Label Study of TTFields 150 kHz in combination with Pembrolizumab in 1L advanced or metastatic NSCLC

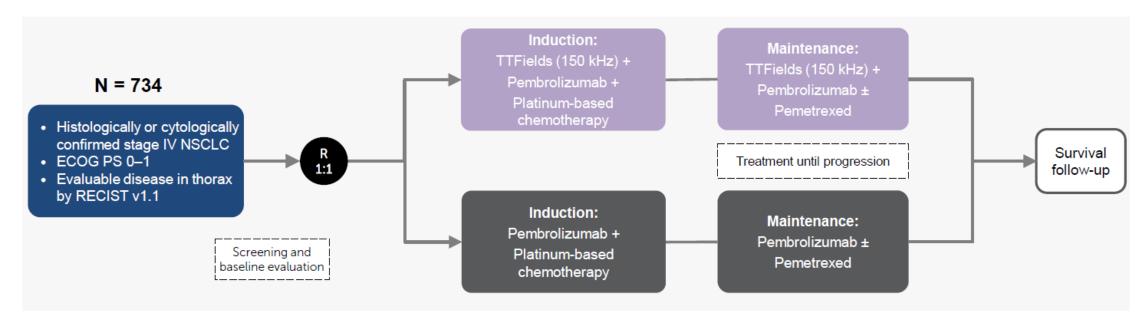






## LUNAR -2: Randomized Phase III Study in 1L setting advanced metastatic NSCLC





Primary completion date: October 2028

- Stratification:
  - PD-L1: TPS <1% vs 1-49% vs TPS ≥ 50%;
  - Histology: Squamous vs Non-squamous
  - Prior ICI Y/N
- Endpoints:
  - Primary OS and PFS
  - Secondary OS, and PFS by PD-L1 expression and histology

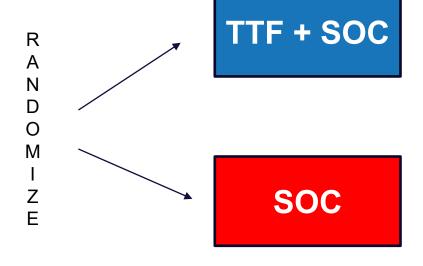
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## METIS: Open-label, Randomized Study of Radiosurgery With or Without Tumor Treating Fields (TTFields) for 1-10 Brain Metastases From NSCLC



NSCLC w/ SRS 1-10 brain metastases n = 298



- Stratification:
  - Number of brain metastases (1-4 or 5-10)
  - Histology: Squamous vs Non-squamous
  - Prior systemic therapy
- Endpoints:
  - Primary Time to first intracranial progression
  - Secondary Time to distant progression,
    Time to neurocognitive failure,
    Time to 2nd intracranial progression,
    Overall survival

Mehta MP et al TPS9106 ASCO 2017 NCT02831959 Clinicaltrials.gov accessed 4/16/24

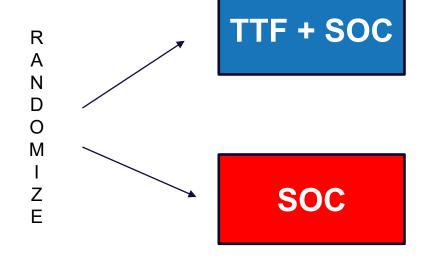


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#### Time to Intracranial Progression

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21.9 months

HR = 0.67; P = 0.016

11.3 months

Median TTFields therapy treatment duration was 16 weeks Median usage was 67%

Novocure Press Release 3/27/24 Accessed 4/16/24



#### **Conclusions/Opinions**



- TTFields is an interesting modality of therapy
  - Doesn't fit our artificial construct of: surgery, radiation, systemic therapy
  - Novel MOA, need further translation and clinical data
- Can this be personalized?
  - Alternating electrical fields can be tuned to different frequencies (100 500 kHz, most lung studies performed at 150 kHz)
  - Different cancer types respond to different frequencies (kHz) and intensities (V/cm)
- Need current/relevant data to guide management decisions
  - LUNAR trial: 3 month improvement in OS ITT (HR 0.74, p = 0.035); 8 month improvement in mOS for TTF + ICI (HR 0.62, p = 0.030)
  - B36 ongoing; need to enroll patients in LUNAR-2
  - Do we need randomized/sham controlled trials?
  - Patient selection; subgroups (mutation profile, PD-L1, disease location vs systemic immune response)
- What harm is there to the patient?
  - Well tolerated safety profile most come AE dermatitis G1/2, no G4/5 AEs; time on therapy 18 hours/day; median device usage (15 weeks ICI; 13 weeks docetaxel in LUNAR)
  - Cost/Access

