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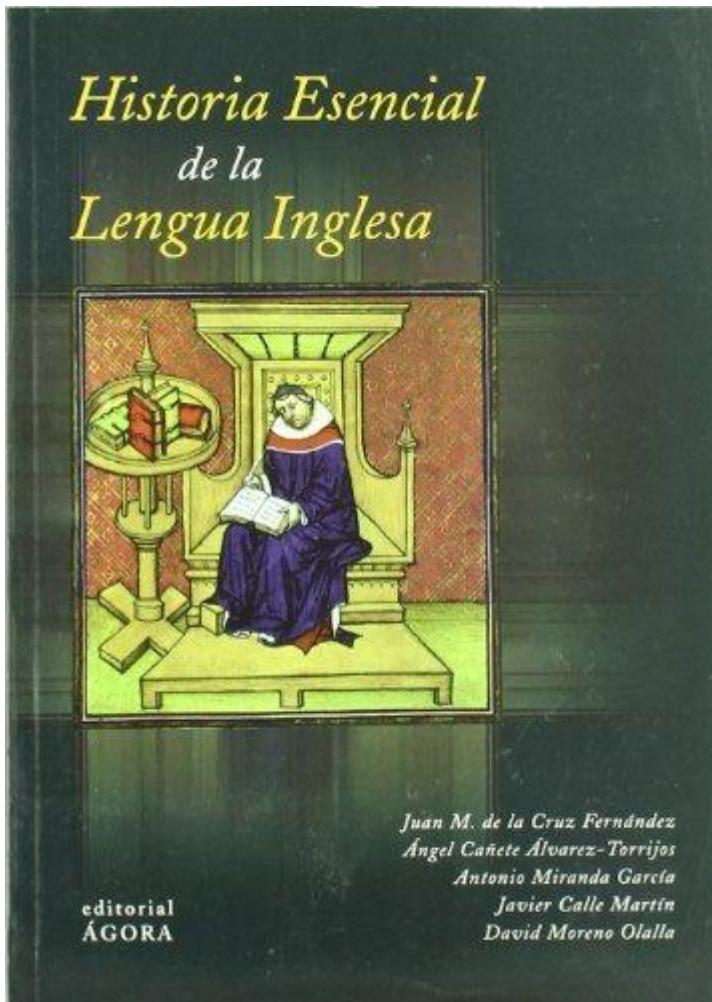
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Diagnostic and therapeutic issues for patients with advanced non-small cell lung cancer harboring anaplastic lymphoma kinase rearrangement: European vs. US perspective (Review)

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Abstract. The recent availability of crizotinib in clinical practice, for the treatment of patients with advanced non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) selected by the presence of anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK) rearrangement, has relevant implications for both the diagnostic phase and the treatment choices. In the United States, crizotinib was approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 2011 for patients with ALK positivity detected by FDA-approved companion diagnostic test. As of January, 2014, the only FDA-approved diagnostic test is Vysis ALK Break-Apart FISH Probe Kit. In Europe, European Medicines Agency (EMA) approved crizotinib for ALK-positive patients in 2012, without specifying the type of test used for determining the positivity. FISH remains the reference technique for ALK determination, but, if fully validated, immunohistochemistry could challenge the current ALK screening practice. Given the robust evidence of activity of crizotinib in ALK-positive patients both pretreated and chemotherapy-naïve, and the favourable tolerability profile of the drug, many oncologists would prefer to administer the drug as early as possible. This is technically feasible in the United States, where crizotinib was approved well before the availability of the results of the randomized phase III trial comparing the drug with standard second-line chemotherapy, and the use of crizotinib in ALK-positive patients is not restricted to a specific line of treatment. On the contrary, in Europe, differently from the FDA decision, crizotinib cannot be used in chemotherapy-naïve patients. Is both realities, a deeper knowledge of mechanisms of resistance, the role of repeated biopsies, the treatment strategy for patients experiencing disease progression with crizotinib, the choice of the

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1. Introduction

In 2007, a small inversion within chromosome 2p, resulting in a fusion gene comprising portions of the echinoderm microtubule-associated protein-like 4 (EMT4) gene and the anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK), was described in a subgroup of patients with advanced NSCLC and was immediately considered a promising candidate for a therapeutic target as well as for a diagnostic molecular marker (1). EMT4-ALK translocation can be detected in a limited percentage of advanced NSCLC, representing about 5-6% of adenocarcinomas (2). Although ALK-positive cases are a small proportion of patients with advanced NSCLC, they represent a non-negligible number in absolute terms. In the United States, considering that about 228,190 new cases of lung cancer (both small cell and non-small cell) were expected for 2013 (3), it can be estimated that between 2,700 and 8,100 cases of ALK+ advanced NSCLC (representing 2-6% of all cases of advanced NSCLC) are diagnosed every year. Similarly, in Europe, where about 480,000 new lung cancer cases are diagnosed every year (4), between 5,000 and 14,500 cases of ALK+ advanced NSCLC are expected every year.

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Capítulo 1: cómo se descubrió ALK



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Fusion of a Kinase Gene, *ALK*, to a Nucleolar Protein Gene, *NPM*, in Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

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The 2;5 chromosomal translocation occurs in most anaplastic large-cell non-Hodgkin's lymphomas arising from activated T lymphocytes. This rearrangement was shown to fuse the *NPM* nucleolar phosphoprotein gene on chromosome 5q35 to a previously unidentified protein tyrosine kinase gene, *ALK*, on chromosome 2p23. In the predicted hybrid protein, the amino terminus of nucleophosmin (*NPM*) is linked to the catalytic domain of anaplastic lymphoma kinase (*ALK*). Expressed in the small intestine, testis, and brain but not in normal lymphoid cells, *ALK* shows greatest sequence similarity to the insulin receptor subfamily of kinases. Unscheduled expression of the truncated *ALK* may contribute to malignant transformation in these lymphomas.

Large-cell lymphomas comprise ~25% of all non-Hodgkin's lymphomas in children and young adults. Approximately one-third of these tumors have a t(2;5)(p23;q35) chromosomal translocation (1), which suggests that rearrangement of cellular proto-

oncogenes on these chromosomes contributes to lymphomagenesis. Lymphomas with the t(2;5) typically involve lymph nodes, skin, lung, soft tissue, bone, and the gastrointestinal tract and arise predominantly from activated T lymphocytes (2). The malignant cells express interleukin-2 (IL-2) receptors and CD10 (K-1) antigen, a reagent for a ligand related to tumor necrosis factor (3). By the Kiel lymphoma classification, most tumors with the t(2;5) are classified as anaplastic large-cell non-Hodgkin's lymphomas (4).

To clone the genes altered by the t(2;5), we used a positional strategy that was based

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TPM3-ALK and TPM4-ALK Oncogenes in Inflammatory Myofibroblastic Tumors

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Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumors (IMTs) are aggressive mesenchymal proliferations featuring a dense infiltrate of lymphocytes and plasma cells. The myofibroblastic cells in IMTs are thought to originate from fibroblasts, involving the ALK receptor tyrosine kinase locus region.

Recently, we reported a novel rearrangement in IMTs as expressed in a neural tissue—as expressed without any rearrangement with 2p23 rearrangements. We report here that the rearrangement, in IMTs, in which TPM3 or TPM4 is fused to the *ALK* gene, is a frequent event in IMT, and arises predominantly from activated T lymphocytes.

Cytogenetic banding studies are the first step to identify chromosomal rearrangements in a neoplastic pathogenesis. In IMTs,¹² approximately 50% of IMT have rearrangements of the *ALK* gene, and about 20% of the *ALK* rearrangements in other IMTs, implicate non-*TPM* *ALK* oncogenes, such as *TPM3* and *TPM4*. The *ALK* gene is dominantly nuclear, primarily depending on the location of the *ALK* fusion partner. Nucleolar localization of the *ALK* fusion partner *TPM3* is frequently seen in lymphoma, whereas *TPM4-ALK* is rarely seen in IMT. *TPM3-ALK* and *TPM4-ALK* are characterized by a missense mutation in exon 10, a 100–1000 region containing the *ALK* receptor tyrosine kinase locus on chromosome band 2p23. These rearrangements are associated with a high incidence in the IMT myofibroblastic cells.¹³ *ALK* is a

proto-oncogene that encodes a 150 kDa protein that is a member of the receptor tyrosine kinase family. *ALK* is expressed in the soft tissue, muscle, and in the abdomen of children and adolescents, and may be involved in the development of IMT. *ALK* is also expressed in the brain and heart, and may be associated with a prominent inflammatory infiltrate of lymphocytes.

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Identification of the transforming *EM4-ALK* fusion gene in non-small-cell lung cancer

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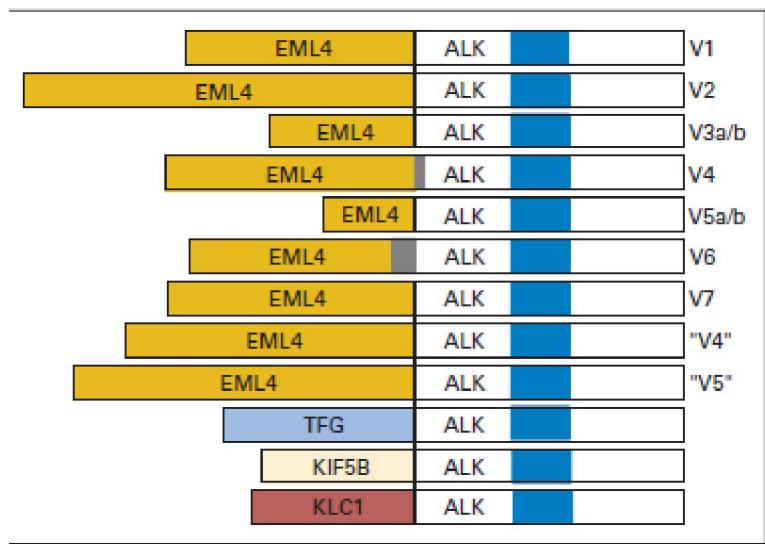
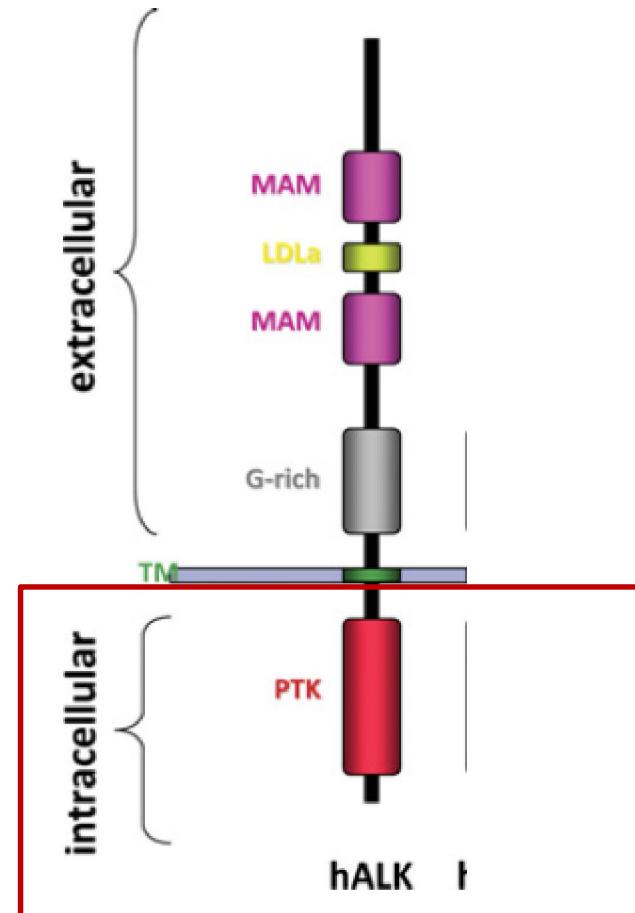
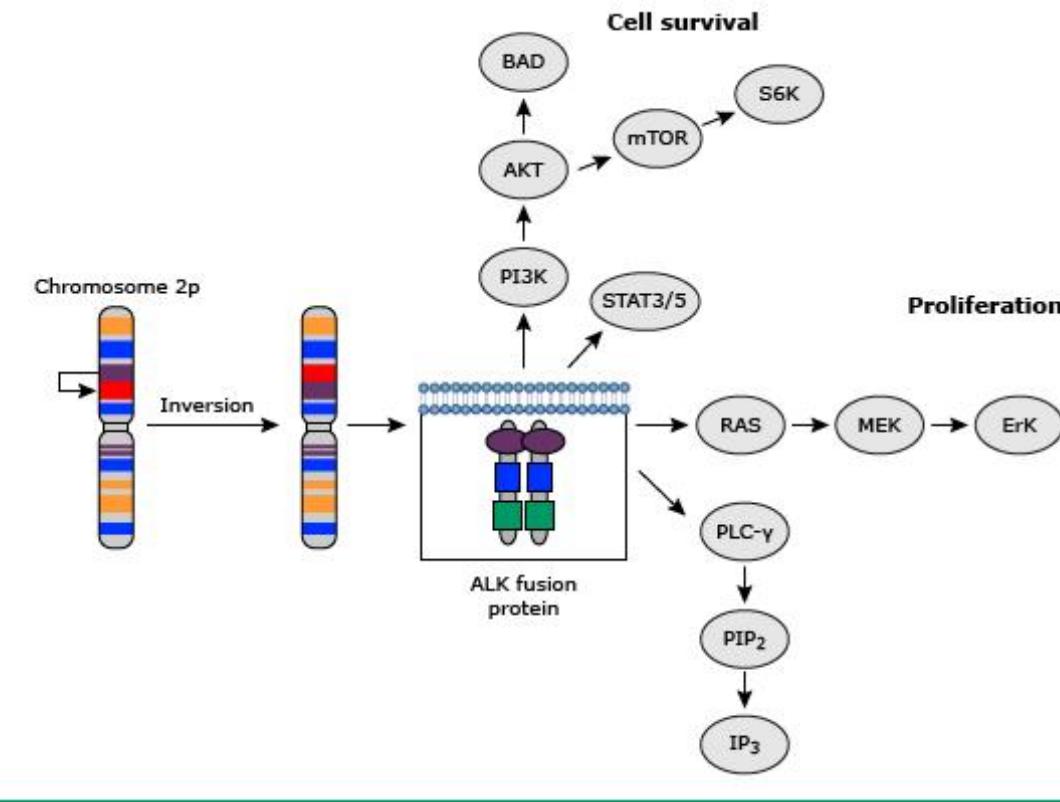
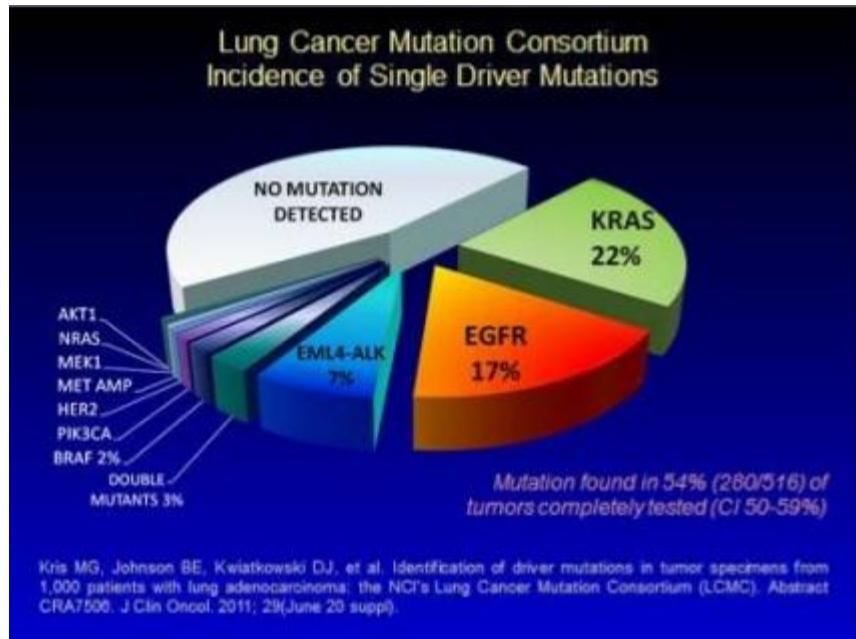


Fig 1. Schematic diagram depicting some of the anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK) fusion proteins identified in non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC). Echinoderm microtubule-associate protein-like 4 (EML4)-ALK variants are the predominant ALK fusions in NSCLC. More than 20 EML4-ALK variants have been identified, nine of which are shown here. Three other partner proteins have been identified in NSCLC: TFG, KIF5B, and KLC1. Three different KIB5B-ALK variants have been identified (not shown). The blue rectangles within each fusion protein symbolize the ALK tyrosine kinase domain. Adapted.^{7a}





- Current estimates suggest the EML4–ALK fusion protein is present in approximately 3–5% of NSCLC tumors, which depends on the population studied and ALK detection methods used

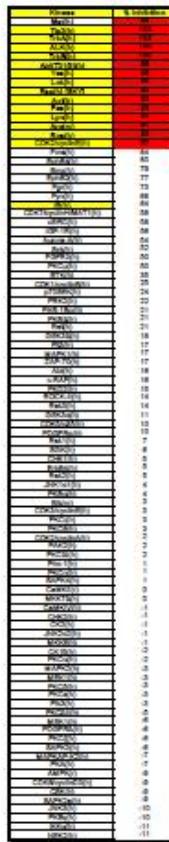


Capítulo 2: cómo se ha desarrollado Crizotinib



Crizotinib (PF-02341066)

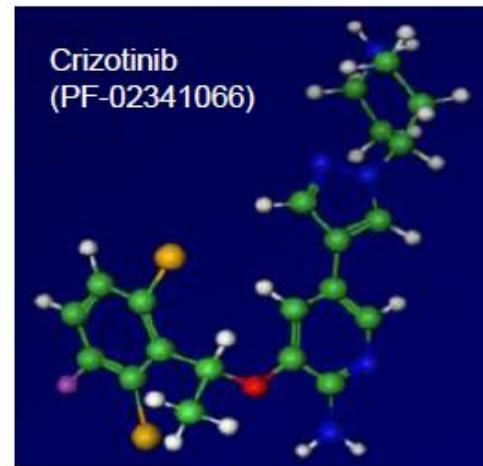
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Cellular selectivity on 10 of 13 relevant hits

Kinase	IC ₅₀ (nM) mean*	Selectivity ratio
c-MET	8	-
ALK	20	2X
RON	298	34X
	189	22X
Axl	294	34X
	322	37X
Tie-2	448	52X
Trk A	580	67X
Trk B	399	46X
Abl	1,159	166X
IRK	2,887	334X
Lck	2,741	283X
Sky	>10,000	>1,000X
VEGFR2	>10,000	>1,000X
PDGFR β	>10,000	>1,000X

*The cellular kinase activities were measured using ELISA capture method



Selectivity findings

- Crizotinib – ALK and c-MET inhibition at clinically relevant dose levels
- Crizotinib – low probability of pharmacologically relevant inhibition of any other kinase at clinically relevant dose levels

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Anaplastic Lymphoma Kinase Inhibition in Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

Oncogenic fusion genes consisting of EML4 and anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK) are present in a subgroup of non-small-cell lung cancers, representing 2 to 7% of such tumors. We explored the therapeutic efficacy of inhibiting ALK in such tumors in an early-phase clinical trial of crizotinib (PF-02341066), an orally available small-molecule inhibitor of the ALK tyrosine kinase.

METHODS

After screening tumor samples from approximately 1500 patients with non-small-cell lung cancer for the presence of ALK rearrangements, we identified 82 patients with advanced ALK-positive disease who were eligible for the clinical trial. Most of the patients had received previous treatment. These patients were enrolled in an expanded cohort study instituted after phase 1 dose escalation had established a recommended crizotinib dose of 250 mg twice daily in 28-day cycles. Patients were assessed for adverse events and response to therapy.

RESULTS

Patients with ALK rearrangements tended to be younger than those without the rearrangements, and most of the patients had little or no exposure to tobacco and had adenocarcinomas. At a mean treatment duration of 6.4 months, the overall response rate was 57% (47 of 82 patients, with 46 confirmed partial responses and 1 confirmed complete response); 27 patients (33%) had stable disease. A total of 63 of 82 patients (77%) were continuing to receive crizotinib at the time of data cutoff, and the estimated probability of 6-month progression-free survival was 72%, with no median for the study reached. The drug resulted in grade 1 or 2 (mild) gastrointestinal side effects.

CONCLUSIONS

The inhibition of ALK in lung tumors with the ALK rearrangement resulted in tumor shrinkage or stable disease in most patients. (Funded by Pfizer and others; ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT00585195.)

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Activity and safety of crizotinib in patients with ALK-positive non-small-cell lung cancer: updated results from a phase 1 study

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Summary

Background ALK fusion genes occur in a subset of non-small-cell lung cancers (NSCLCs). We assessed the tolerability and activity of crizotinib in patients with NSCLC who were prospectively identified to have an ALK fusion within the first-in-man phase 1 crizotinib study.

Methods In this phase 1 study, patients with ALK-positive stage III or IV NSCLC received oral crizotinib 250 mg twice daily in 28-day cycles. Endpoints included tumor response, duration of response, time to tumor response, progression-free survival (PFS), overall survival at 6 and 12 months, and determination of the safety and tolerability and characterization of the plasma pharmacokinetic profile of crizotinib after oral administration. Responses were analyzed in evaluable patients and PFS and safety were analyzed in all patients. This study is registered with ClinicalTrials.gov, number NCT00585195.

Findings Between Aug 27, 2008, and June 1, 2011, 149 ALK-positive patients were enrolled, 143 of whom were included in the response-evaluable population. 87 of 143 patients had an objective response (60–86%; 95% CI 52.3–68.9%), including three complete responses and 84 partial responses. Median time to first documented objective response was 7.9 weeks (range 2.1–39.6) and median duration of response was 49.1 weeks (95% CI 39.3–75.4). The response rate seemed to be largely independent of age, sex, performance status, or line of treatment. Median PFS was 9.7 months (95% CI 7.7–12.8). Median overall survival data are not yet mature, but estimated overall survival at 6 and 12 months was 87.9% (95% CI 81.3–92.3) and 74.8% (66.4–81.5), respectively. 39 patients continued to receive crizotinib for more than 2 weeks after progression because of perceived ongoing clinical benefit from the drug (12 or at least 6 months from the time of their initial investigator-defined disease progression). Overall, 144 (97%) of 149 patients experienced treatment-related adverse events, which were mostly grade 1 or 2. The most common adverse events were visual effects, nausea, diarrhea, constipation, vomiting, and peripheral edema. The most common treatment-related grade 3 or 4 adverse events were neutropenia ($n=9$), raised alanine aminotransferase ($n=6$), hypophosphatemia ($n=6$), and lymphopenia ($n=6$).

Interpretation Crizotinib is well tolerated with rapid, durable responses in patients with ALK-positive NSCLC. There seems to be potential for ongoing benefit after initial disease progression in this population, but a more formal definition of ongoing benefit in this context is needed.

Funding Pfizer.

Introduction

Activation of the ALK gene has been described in several human cancers, including non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC), inflammatory myofibroblastic tumors, neuroblastomas, and diffuse large B-cell lymphomas, suggesting that ALK-mediated signaling might play a part in the development or progression of these tumors.^{1–3} Activation of the ALK gene is usually through chromosomal rearrangement resulting in the placement of one of several different *Fusion* partners and their associated promoter regions upstream of the kinase domain of ALK.⁴

ALK rearrangements in NSCLC were first described in 2007⁵ and have an estimated prevalence of 3–5% in series mostly dominated by adenocarcinoma on or KRAS mutation.

histology.^{6,7} EML4-ALK is the most common ALK fusion gene in NSCLC and occurs as several variants with different breakpoints in the EML4 gene.^{8,9} Other, more rare non-EML4 fusions, including KIF5B-ALK and TFG-ALK, have also been described in lung cancers.¹⁰ Their exact frequency and clinical significance remain under investigation, but, by analogy with EML4 and other oncogenic ALK fusions,¹¹ they also probably represent targets for therapeutic ALK inhibition in NSCLC. ALK fusions typically occur independently of EGFR and KRAS gene mutations,^{12,13} although these alterations are not mutually exclusive.^{14,15} In the recent Lung Cancer Mutation Consortium series,¹⁶ 8% of ALK-positive adenocarcinomas were also positive for either an EGFR or KRAS mutation.

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Table 1. Demographic and Clinicopathological Characteristics of the 82 Patients.

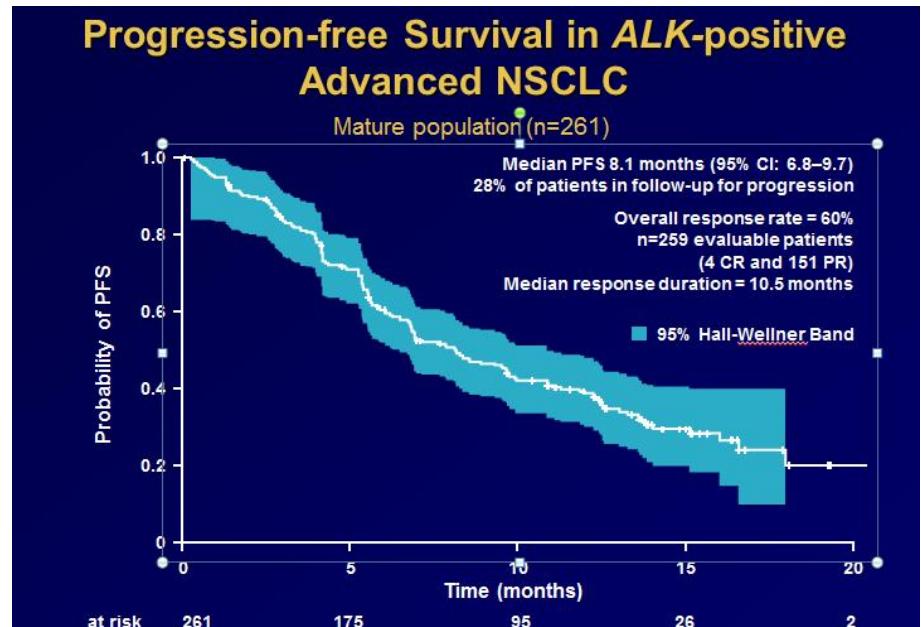
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Male sex — no. (%)	43 (52)
Age — yr	
Mean	51
Range	25–78
Race — no. (%)*	
White	46 (56)
Asian	20 (25)
Other	7 (9)
ECOG performance status — no. (%)†	
0	24 (29)
1	44 (54)
2	13 (16)
3	1 (1)
No. of previous therapies — no. (%)	
0	5 (6)
1	27 (33)
2	15 (18)
≥3	34 (41)
Not reported	1 (1)
Histologic analysis — no. (%)	
Adenocarcinoma	79 (96)
Squamous-cell carcinoma	1 (1)
Other	2 (2)
Smoking history — no. (%)‡	
Never	62 (76)
≤10 pack-yr	15 (18)
>10 pack-yr	5 (6)



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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

In single-group studies, chromosomal rearrangements of the anaplastic lymphoma kinase gene (ALK) have been associated with marked clinical responses to crizotinib, an oral tyrosine kinase inhibitor targeting ALK. Whether crizotinib is superior to standard chemotherapy with respect to efficacy is unknown.

METHODS

We conducted a phase 3, open-label trial comparing crizotinib with chemotherapy in 347 patients with locally advanced or metastatic ALK-positive lung cancer who had received one prior platinum-based regimen. Patients were randomly assigned to receive oral treatment with crizotinib (250 mg) twice daily or intravenous chemotherapy with either pemetrexed (500 mg per square meter of body-surface area) or docetaxel (75 mg per square meter) every 3 weeks. Patients in the chemotherapy group who had disease progression were permitted to cross over to crizotinib as part of a separate study. The primary end point was progression-free survival.

RESULTS

The median progression-free survival was 7.7 months in the crizotinib group and 3.0 months in the chemotherapy group (hazard ratio for progression or death with crizotinib, 0.49; 95% confidence interval [CI], 0.37 to 0.64; $P < 0.001$). The response rates were 65% (95% CI, 57% to 72%) with crizotinib, as compared with 20% (95% CI, 14 to 26%) with chemotherapy ($P < 0.001$). An interim analysis of overall survival showed no significant improvement with crizotinib as compared with chemotherapy (hazard ratio for death in the crizotinib group, 1.02; 95% CI, 0.68 to 1.54; $P = 0.54$). Common adverse events associated with crizotinib were visual disorder, gastrointestinal side effects, and elevated liver aminotransferase levels, whereas common adverse events with chemotherapy were fatigue, alopecia, and dyspepsia. Patients reported greater reductions in symptoms of lung cancer and greater improvement in global quality of life with crizotinib than with chemotherapy.

CONCLUSIONS

Crizotinib is superior to standard chemotherapy in patients with previously treated, advanced non–small-cell lung cancer with ALK rearrangement. (Funded by Pfizer; ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT00952893.)

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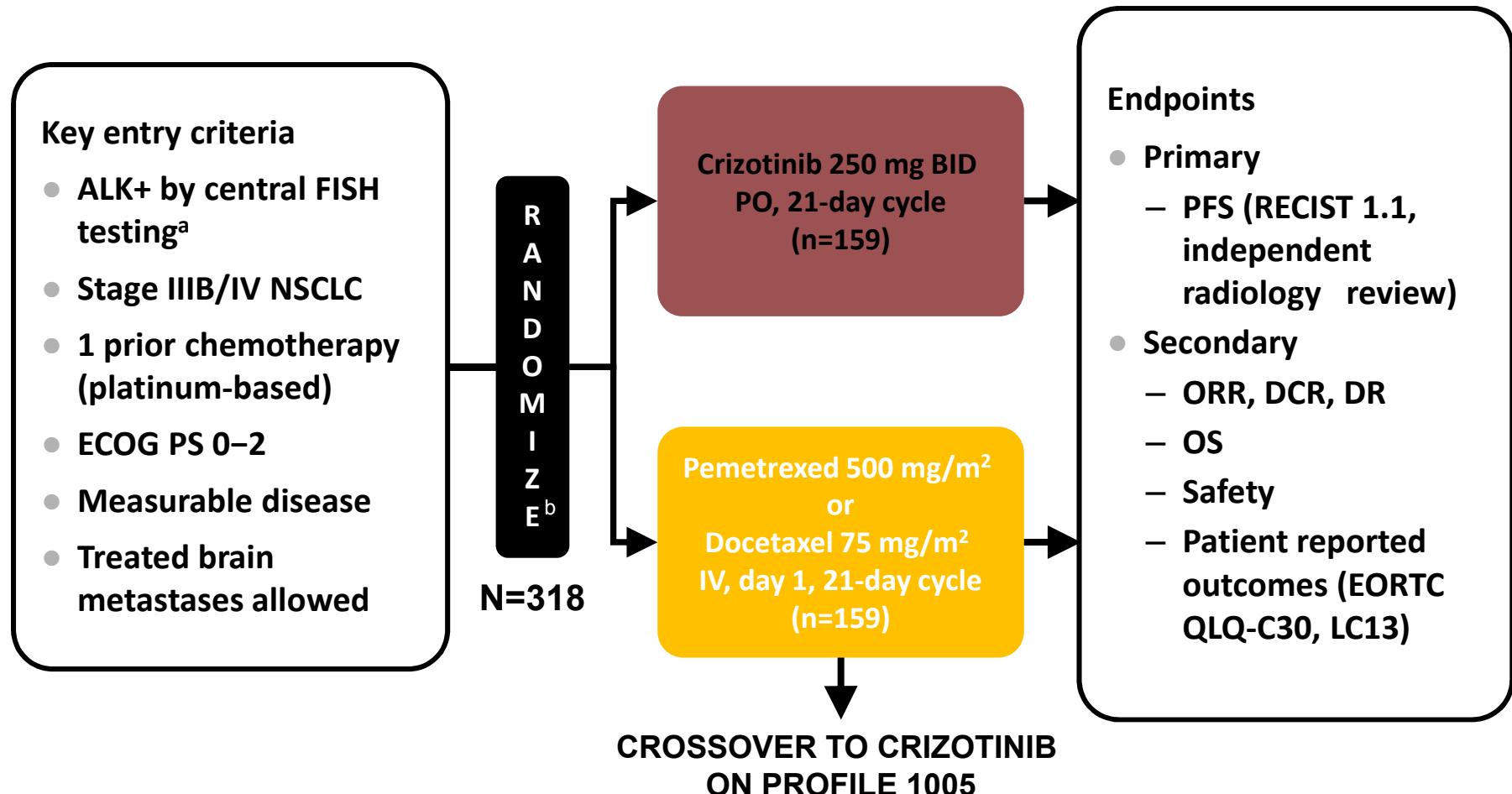
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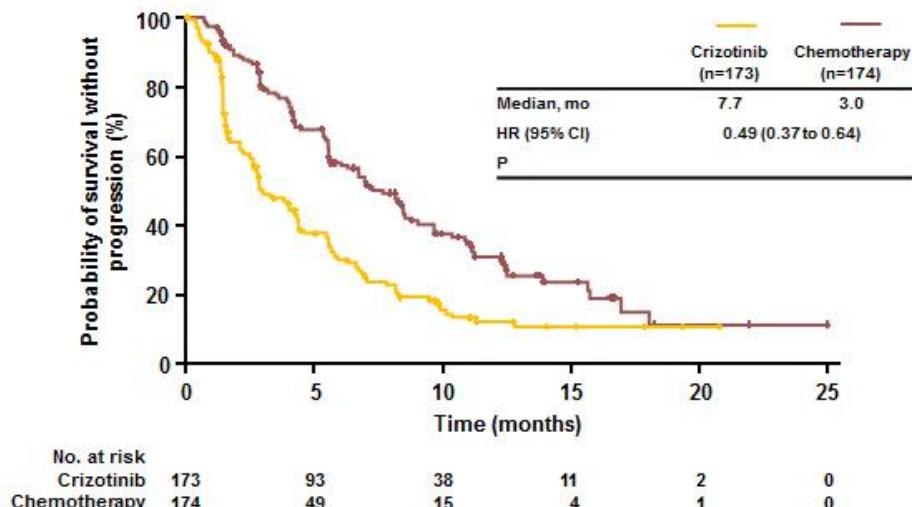
PROFILE 1007

PROFILE 1007 Study Design



^aALK status determined using standard ALK break-apart FISH assay ^bStratification factors: ECOG PS (0/1 vs 2), brain metastases (present/absent), and prior EGFR TKI (yes/no)

Primary Endpoint: PFS

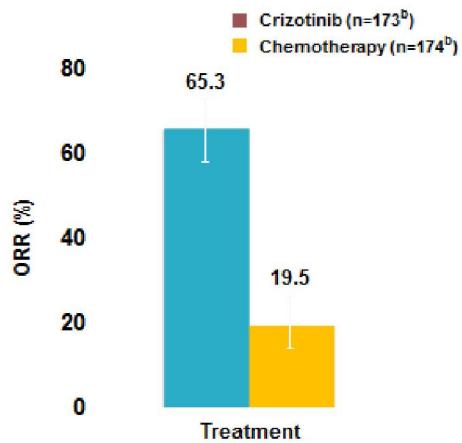


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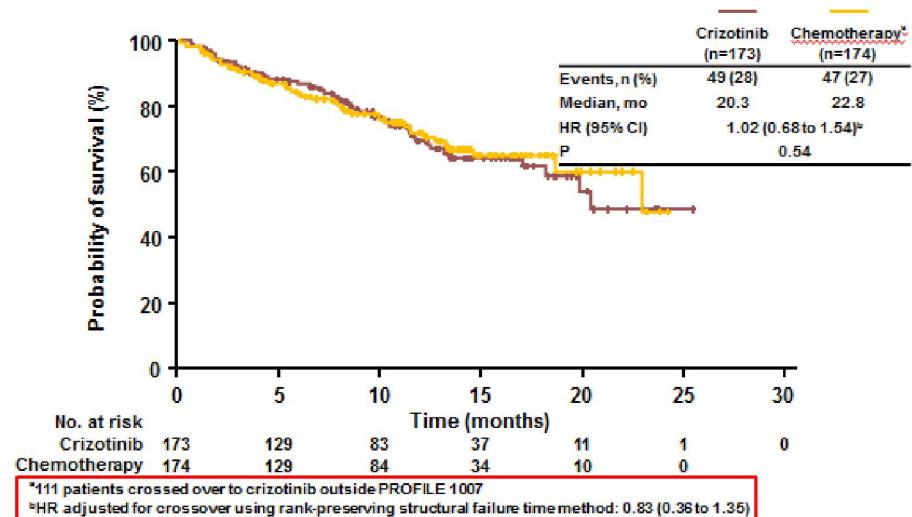
7.7 meses vs 3 meses

PROFILE 1007 ORR^a by Independent Radiologic Review

ORR ratio: 3.4 (95% CI: 2.5 to 4.7); P<0.0001



Interim Analysis of OS



TR: 65.3%

OS: 20.3 m

Efectos adversos

Table 3. Adverse Events of Any Cause.*

Adverse Event	Crizotinib (N=172)		Chemotherapy (N=171)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4
no. of patients (%)				
Vision disorder†‡	103 (60)	0	16 (9)	0
Diarrhea	103 (60)	0	33 (19)	1 (1)
Nausea§	94 (55)	2 (1)	64 (37)	1 (1)
Vomiting§	80 (47)	2 (1)	30 (18)	0
Constipation	73 (42)	4 (2)	39 (23)	0
Elevated aminotransferase levels¶	66 (38)	27 (16)¶	25 (15)	4 (2)
Edema†	54 (31)	0	27 (16)	0
Fatigue	46 (27)	4 (2)	57 (33)	7 (4)
Upper respiratory infection†	44 (26)	0	22 (13)	1 (<1)
Dysgeusia	44 (26)	0	16 (9)	0
Dizziness†	37 (22)	1 (1)	14 (8)	0
Dyspnea†	23 (13)	7 (4)	32 (19)	5 (3)
Rash	15 (9)	0	29 (17)	0
Alopecia	14 (8)	0	35 (20)	0

	n (%)	
	Crizotinib (n=172)	Chemotherapy (n=171)
Elevated transaminases^a	27 (16)	4 (2)
Pulmonary embolism ^a	9 (5)	3 (2)
Dyspnea ^a	7 (4)	5 (3)
Pneumonia	6 (4)	3 (2)
Hypokalemia	6 (4)	0
ECG QTc prolonged	6 (4)	0 ^b
Neutropenia^a	23 (13)	33 (19)
Febrile neutropenia	1 (1)	16 (9)
Anemia ^a	4 (2)	9 (5)
WBC decreased	2 (1)	8 (5)
Fatigue	4 (2)	7 (4)

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

First-Line Crizotinib versus Chemotherapy in ALK-Positive Lung Cancer

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND
The efficacy of the ALK inhibitor crizotinib as compared with standard chemotherapy as first-line treatment for advanced ALK-positive non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) is unknown.

METHODS
We conducted an open-label, phase 3 trial comparing crizotinib with chemotherapy in 343 patients with advanced ALK-positive nonsquamous NSCLC who had received no previous systemic treatment for advanced disease. Patients were randomly assigned to receive oral crizotinib at a dose of 250 mg twice daily or to receive intravenous chemotherapy (pemetrexed, 500 mg per square meter of body-surface area, plus either cisplatin, 75 mg per square meter, or carboplatin, target area under the curve of 5 to 6 mg per milliliter per minute) every 3 weeks for up to six cycles. Crossover to crizotinib treatment after disease progression was permitted for patients receiving chemotherapy. The primary end point was progression-free survival as assessed by independent radiologic review.

RESULTS
Progression-free survival was significantly longer with crizotinib than with chemotherapy (median, 10.9 months vs. 7.0 months; hazard ratio for progression or death with crizotinib, 0.45; 99% confidence interval [CI], 0.35 to 0.60; $P<0.001$). Objective response rates were 74% and 45%, respectively ($P<0.001$). Median overall survival was not reached in either group (hazard ratio for death with crizotinib, 0.62; 99% CI, 0.54 to 1.26; $P=0.31$); the probability of 1-year survival was 84% with crizotinib and 79% with chemotherapy. The most common adverse events with crizotinib were vision disorders, diarrhea, nausea, and edema, and the most common events with chemotherapy were nausea, fatigue, vomiting, and decreased appetite. As compared with chemotherapy, crizotinib was associated with greater reduction in lung cancer symptoms and greater improvement in quality of life.

CONCLUSIONS
Crizotinib was superior to standard first-line pemetrexed-plus-platinum chemotherapy in patients with previously untreated advanced ALK-positive NSCLC. (Funded by Pfizer; PROFILE 1014 ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT01154140.)

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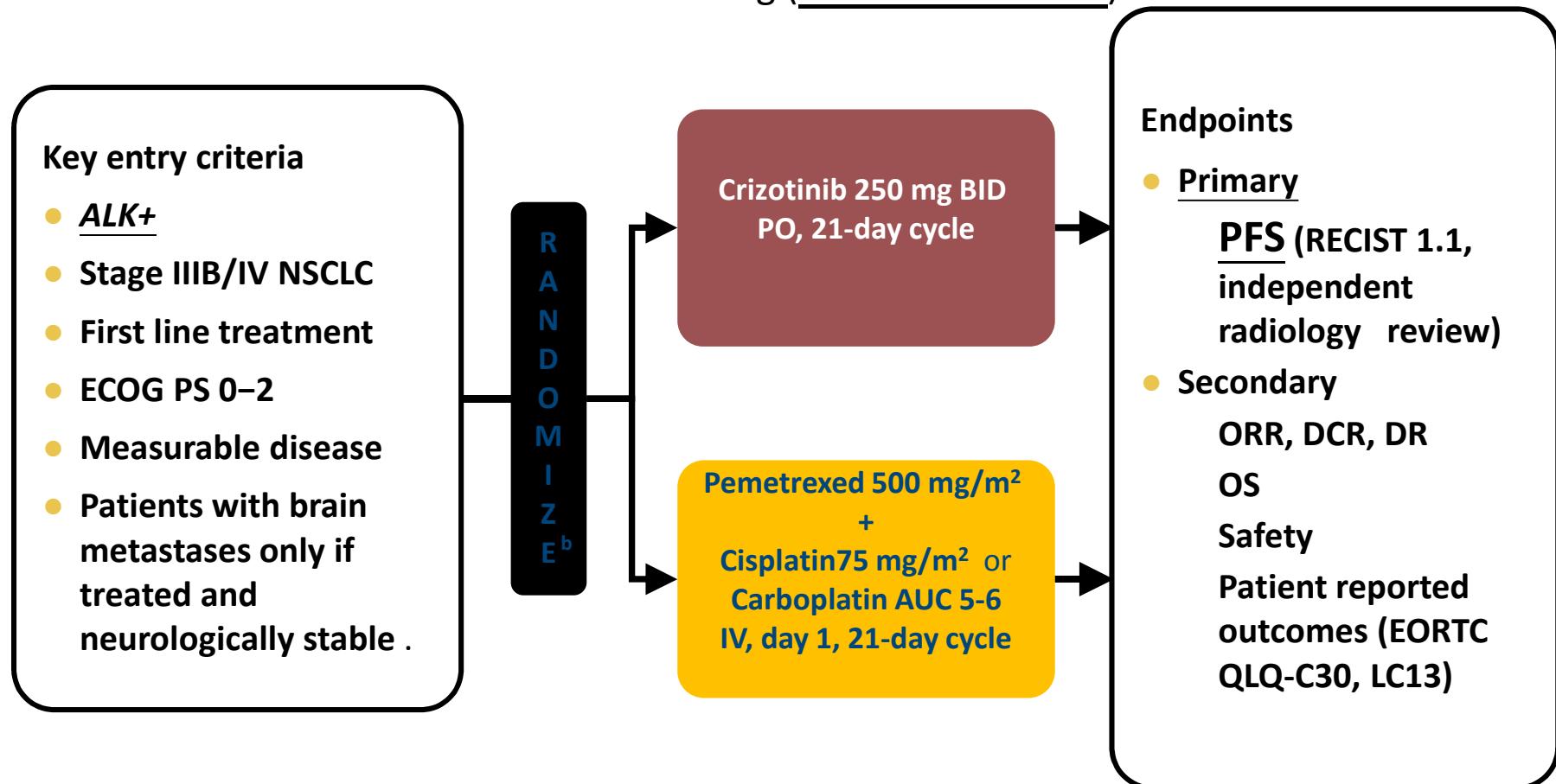
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PROFILE 1014

A Clinical Trial Testing The Efficacy of Crizotinib Versus Standard Chemotherapy
Pemetrexed Plus Cisplatin or Carboplatin in Patients With ALK Positive Non Squamous
Cancer of The Lung (PROFILE 1014)



Estimated Enrollment:334

Study Start Date:January 2011

Estimated Study Completion Date:February 2015

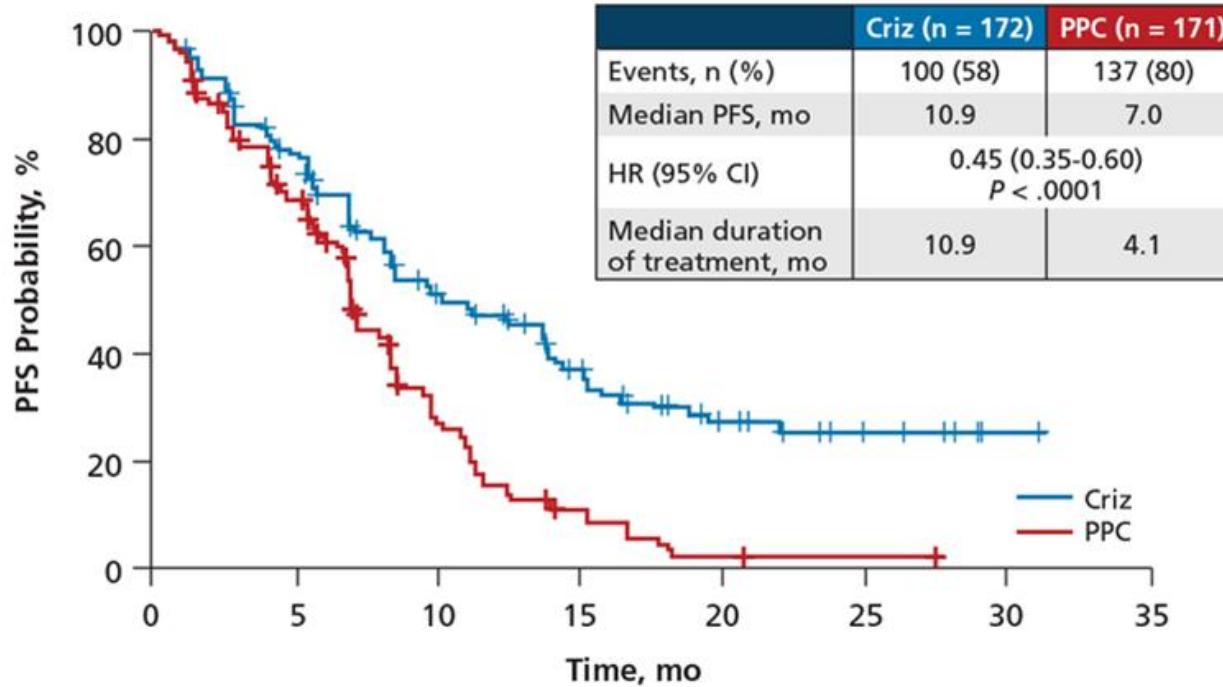
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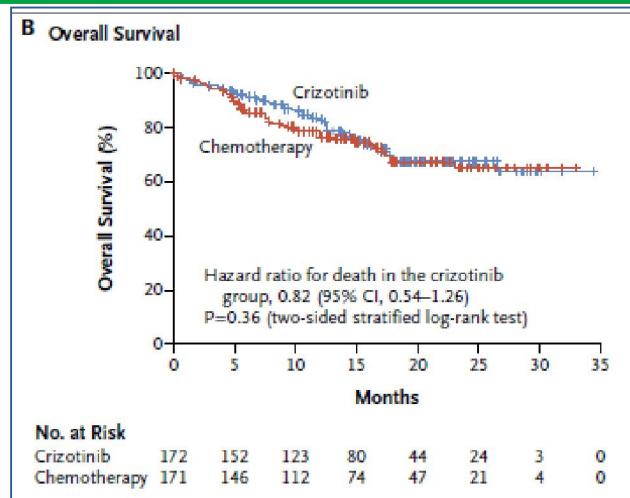
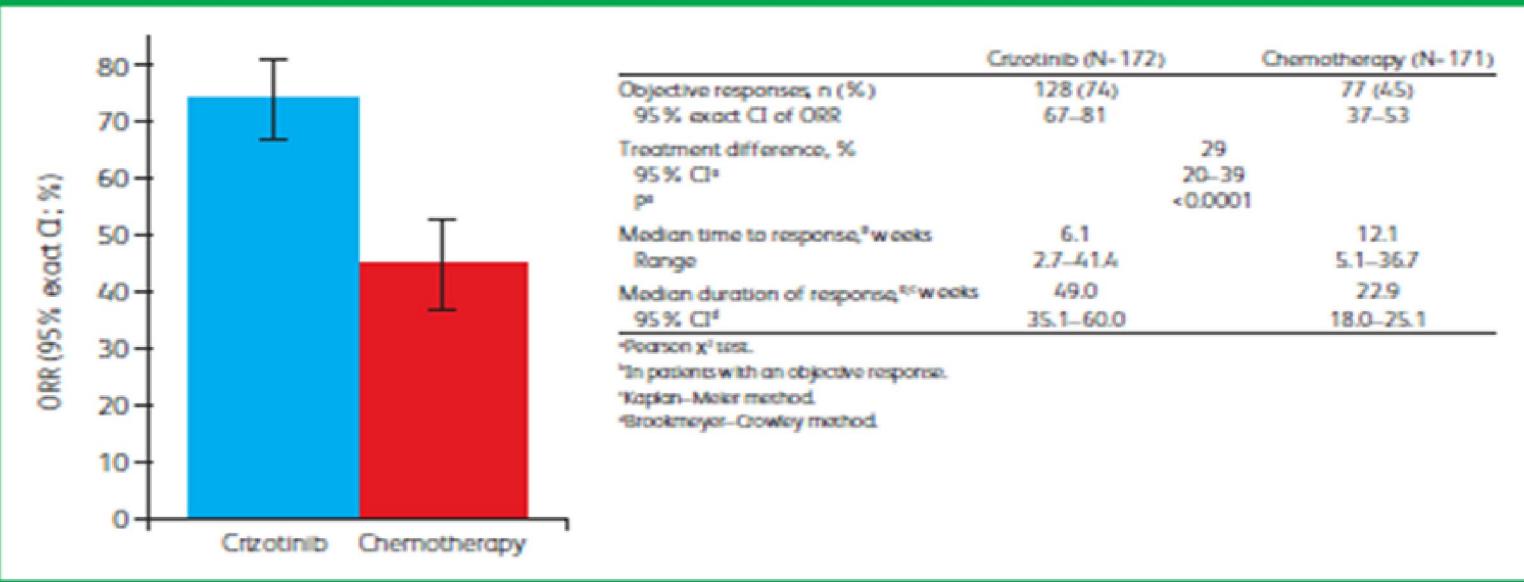
PROFILE 1014: Progression-Free Survival

Primary Endpoint: PFS by IRR (ITT Population)



ORR y SG

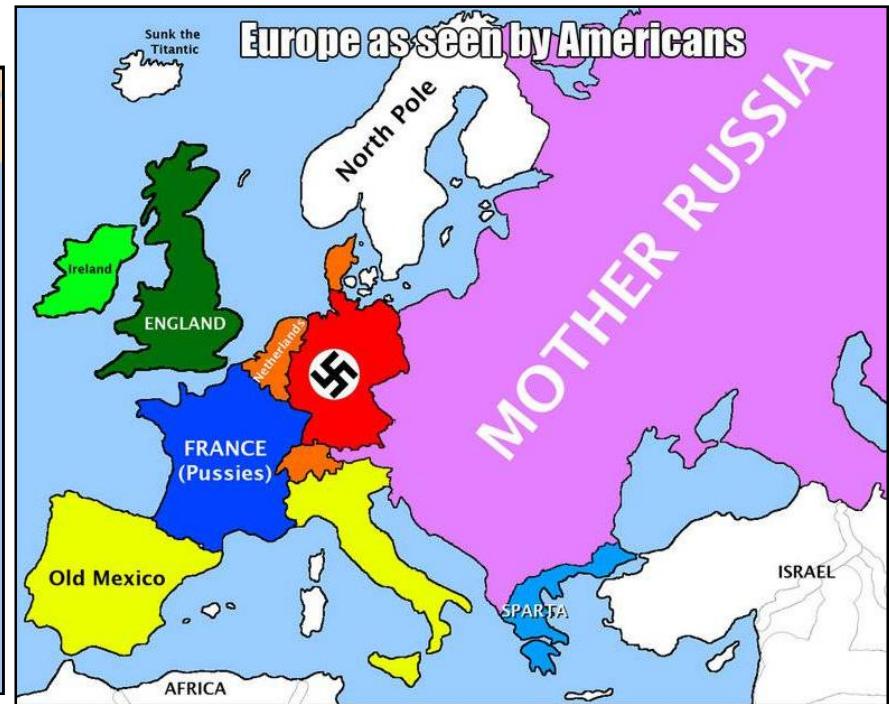
Figure 3. ORR by independent radiologic review.



Conclusiones

	Fase	n	Tratamientos previos	ORR	PFS
PROFILE 1001	Fase I seguido de Cohorte expandida	143	Pretratados	60.8%	9.7 m
PROFILE 1005	Fase II	259	Pre-tto + 2 líneas	53%	8.1 m
PROFILE 1007	Fase III	173	2º línea	65%	7.7 m
PROFILE 1014	Fase III	343	1º línea	74%	10.9 m

Capítulo 3: aprobación de crizotinib por FDA y EMA



FDA

Su autorización se basa en la actividad demostrada

26.08.2011

Indicada en pacientes ALK + independientemente de la línea

Detectada por Vysis ALK Break-Apart FISH Probe kit

EMA

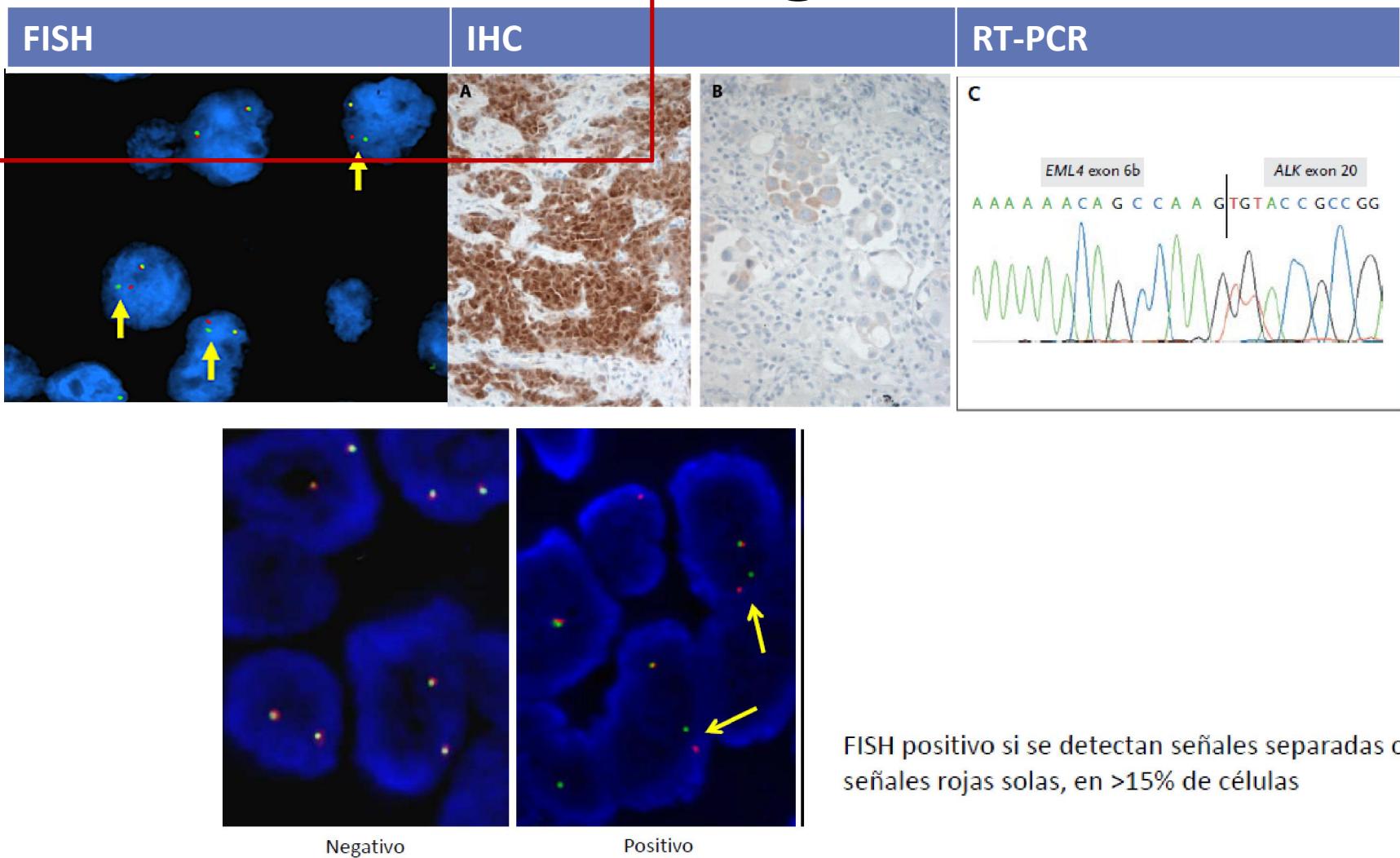
Su autorización se basa en los datos del 1º estudio Fase III

23.10.2012

Indicada en Pacientes ALK + (2º línea)
Tras los datos del ensayo Profile 1007

No especifica el test a usar

Cómo se diagnostica



El problema del FISH

FISH

Es más caro

Requiere mayor infraestructura

Es más subjetivo

Personal entrenado

IHQ

Es más barato

Menor infraestructura

Es más objetivo

Es más reproducible

Correlation Between *ALK* IHC and *ALK* FISH

- Review of 11 studies involving 2,908 NSCLC cases studied by both IHC and FISH
- Majority of studies were retrospective or single-institution analyses

**Correlation Between *ALK* IHC and *ALK* FISH in
2,908 Cases Studied by Both Techniques
(Current and Published Studies)**

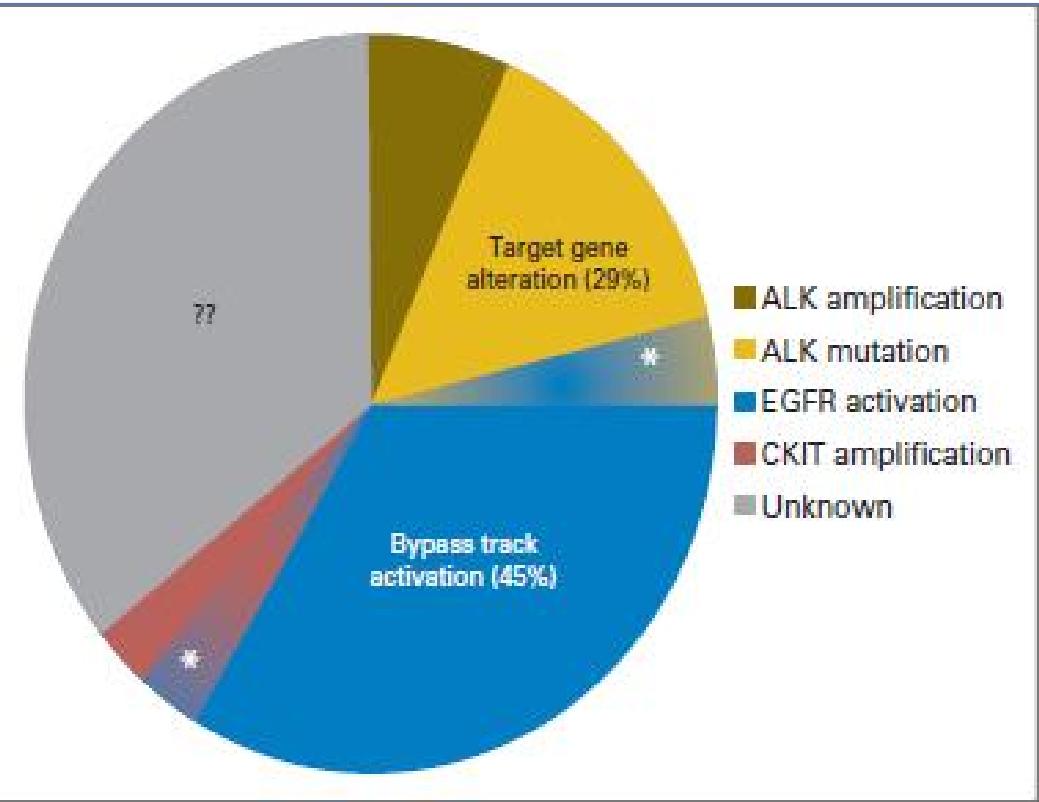
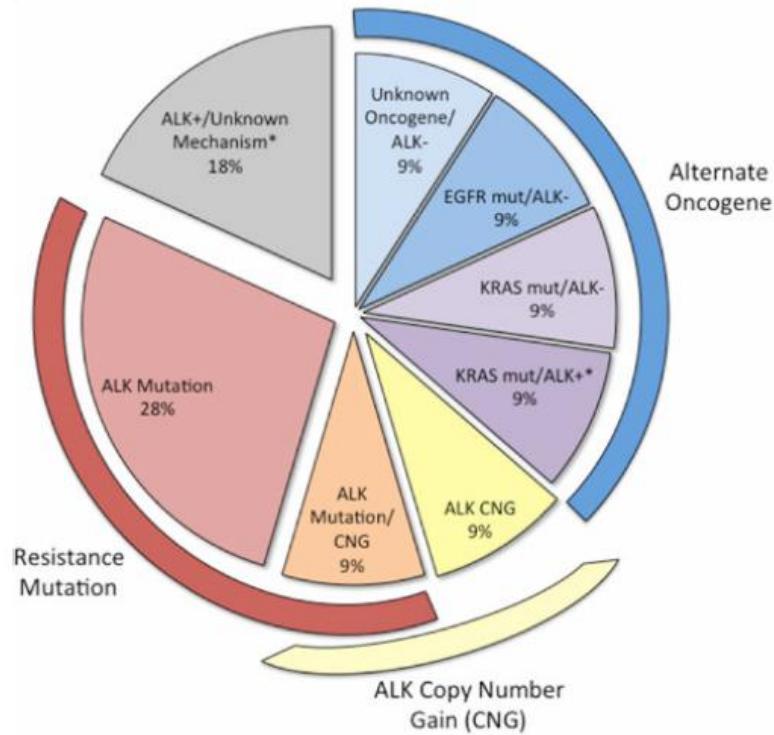
IHC Status	Cases, n	
	FISH-	FISH+
IHC-	2,687	3
IHC+	73	172
IHC equivocal	0	2

- A false-negative rate of ~0.1% was found for IHC

Capítulo 4. Resistencias

Mecanismos de resistencia

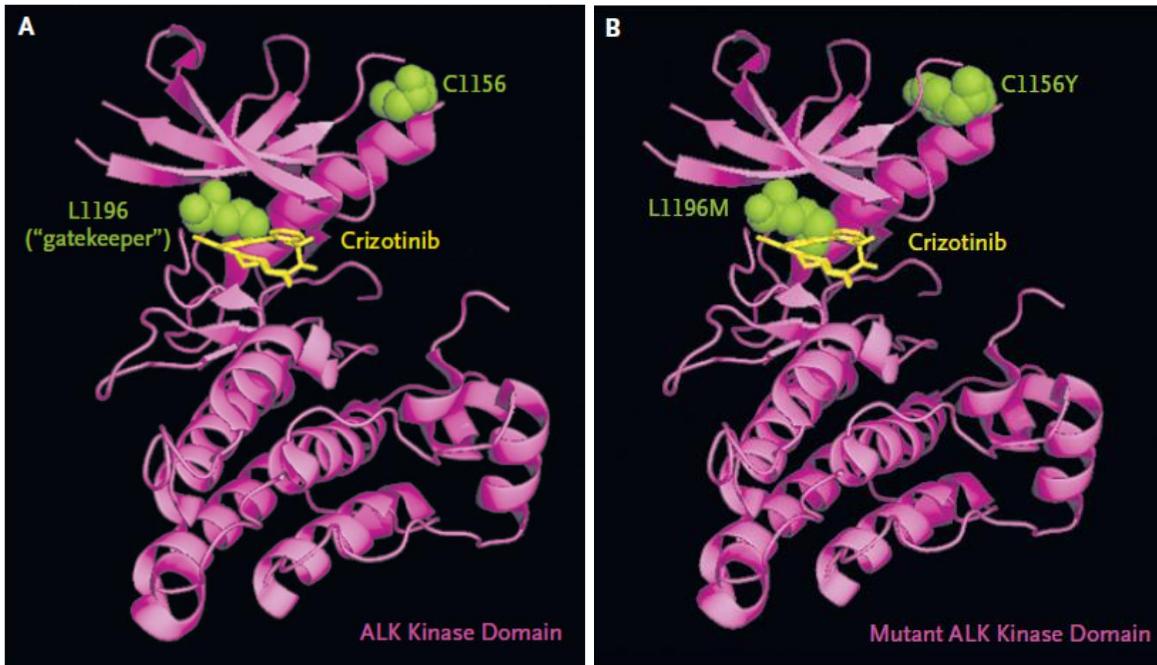
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Clinic Cancer Research 2012

Alice T JCO 2013

Mutaciones puntuales



Las más
frecuentes

25%

Afectan el lugar
de ligamiento
del ATP

La más frecuente:L1196 sustitución de Leucina por Metionina en la posición 1196 del dominio Kinasa de ALK
Colocando un Aminoácido voluminoso en el Gatekeeper del Crizotinib

Menos común es C1156Y: sustituye a una Cisteína por una Tirosina en la posición 1156

Amplificaciones

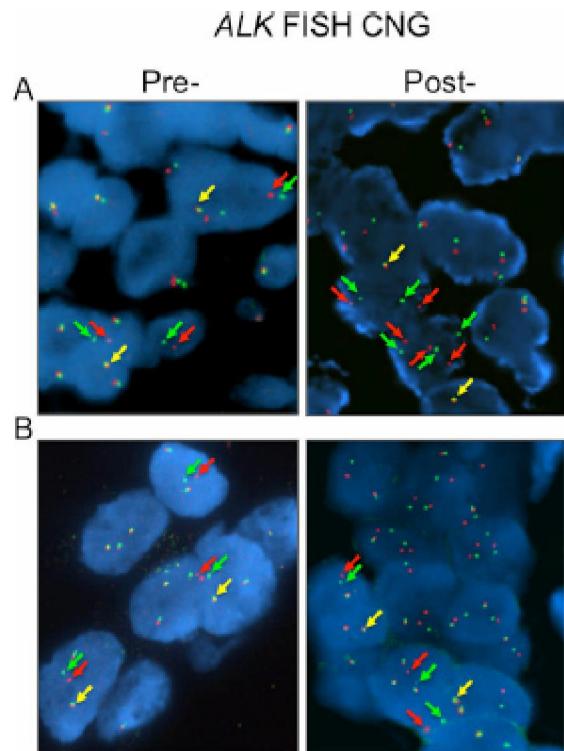


Figure 2. ALK FISH pattern changes from pre- to post-crizotinib tumor samples
FISH analysis of patients #6 (A) and #7 (B) before crizotinib treatment (left) and following progression on crizotinib (right) demonstrating a gain of split green (5') and red (3') ALK signals per each tumor cell. FISH analysis of patients #8a (C) and 11 (D) before crizotinib treatment (left) and following progression on crizotinib (right) demonstrating loss of split green (5') and red (3') ALK signals.

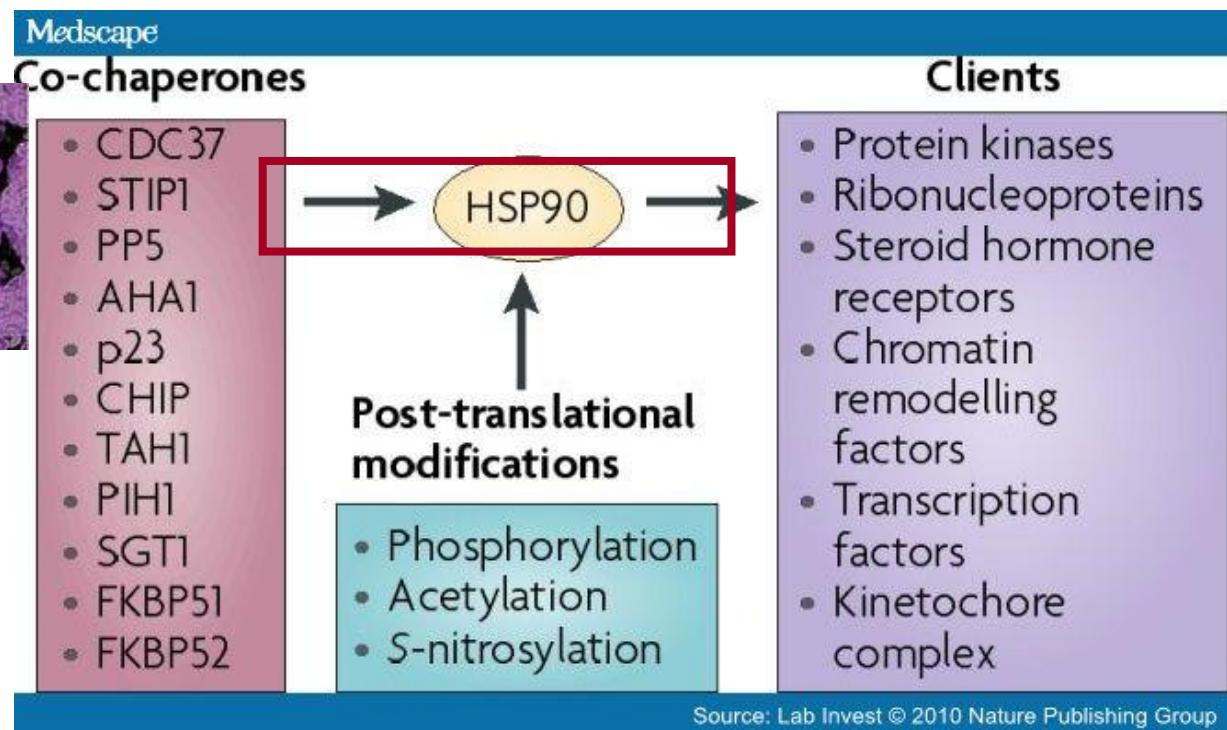
Katayama R Transl Med
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Uso de otras vías alternativas

HSP90



EGFR



KRAS

Sang J, Cancer Discov 2013
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Capítulo 5 Tratamiento a la progresión de Crizotinib

1. Asistencialmente: QT
2. Oligoprogresión: mantener crizotinib y hacer técnica local
3. Rebiopsia → identificar mecanismo de resistencia y adaptar tratamiento
4. Inhibición de alk de 2º o 3º generación
5. Continuar crizotinib

Continuar crizotinib

- Overall survival was significantly longer for patients who continued crizotinib beyond progression (120 patients, 62%) than for those who stopped the drug (74 patients, 38%): median overall survival from disease progression **was 16.4 vs. 3.9 months**, respectively (hazard ratio 0.27; 95% CI, 0.17-0.42; p<0.0001).
- The SouthWest Oncology Group is conducting a randomized **phase II trial (SWOG 1300)** testing the role of continuing crizotinib beyond progression **in addition to chemotherapy**. In that trial, patients assigned to the control arm receive **pemetrexed** alone, while patients assigned to the experimental arm receive **pemetrexed plus crizotinib**

Ceritinib

Ascend 1



Ceritinib in ALK-Rearranged Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

Non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) harboring the anaplastic lymphoma kinase gene (ALK) rearrangement is sensitive to the ALK inhibitor crizotinib, but resistance invariably develops. Ceritinib (IIL378) is a new ALK inhibitor that has shown greater antitumor potency than crizotinib in preclinical studies.

METHODS

In this phase I study, we administered oral ceritinib in doses of 50 to 750 mg once daily to patients with advanced cancers harboring genetic alterations in ALK. In an expansion phase of the study, patients received the maximum tolerated dose. Patients were assessed to determine the safety, pharmacokinetic properties, and antitumor activity of ceritinib. Tumor biopsies were performed before ceritinib treatment to identify resistance mutations in ALK in a group of patients with NSCLC who had had disease progression during treatment with crizotinib.

RESULTS

A total of 59 patients were enrolled in the dose-escalation phase. The maximum tolerated dose of ceritinib was 750 mg once daily; dose-limiting toxic events included diarrhea, vomiting, dehydration, elevated aminotransferase levels, and hypophosphatemia. This phase was followed by an expansion phase, in which an additional 71 patients were treated, for a total of 130 patients overall. Among 114 patients with NSCLC who received at least 400 mg of ceritinib per day, the overall response rate was 58% (95% confidence interval [CI], 48 to 67). Responses were observed in patients with various resistance mutations in ALK and in patients without detectable mutations. Among patients with NSCLC who received at least 400 mg of ceritinib per day, the median progression-free survival was 7.0 months (95% CI, 5.6 to 9.5).

CONCLUSIONS

Ceritinib was highly active in patients with advanced, ALK-rearranged NSCLC, including those who had had disease progression during crizotinib treatment, regardless of the presence of resistance mutations in ALK. (Funded by Novartis Pharmaceuticals and others; ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT01283516.)

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- ITK 20 veces más potente que crizotinib.
- Actúa sobre mutaciones L1196M y G1269A
- FDA aprueba a Resistencia o intolerancia a crizotinib
- Resultados:
 - TR: 58%
 - SLP 8,2 meses (6,9 meses con crizotinib previo)
- 2 fases III en marcha

Alectinib

- Inh TK de 2º generacion
 - Fase I-II Seto T Lancet oncol 2013
 - pacientes naive a crizotinib.
 - Tasa de Respuesta del 93%.
 - Fase I/II: Gadgeel SM. Lancet Oncol. 2014
 - 47 pacientes a progresión a crizotinib
 - TR: 55%

Mutación puntual

amplificación



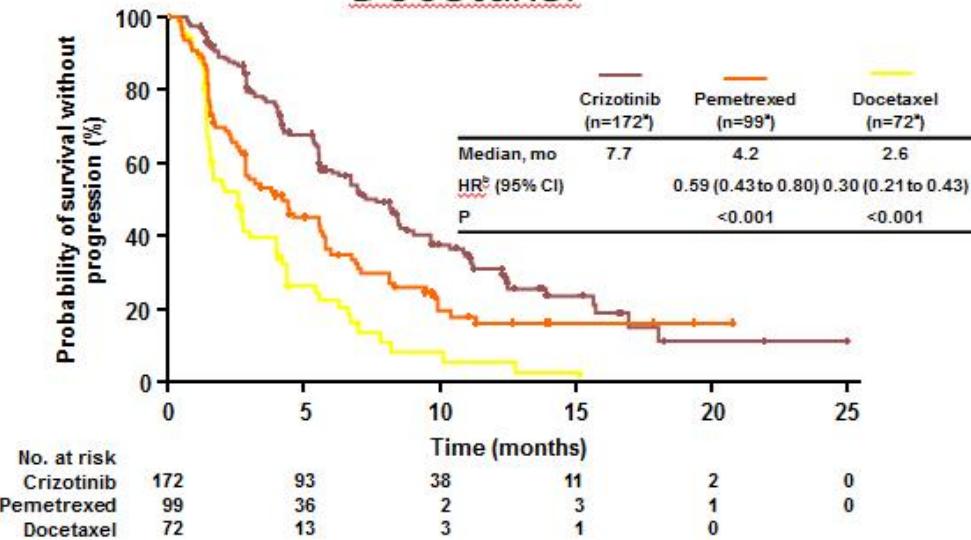
Drug	Phase	Compared drug	Treatment setting	Status	Clinical trial number
Crizotinib	III	PEM or DOC	Second line	Published ²³	NCT00932893
	III	Platinum + PEM	First line	Ongoing ^{*25}	NCT01154140
Alectinib	I/II		ALK inhibitor-naive	Published ³⁸	AF-001JP
	III	Crizotinib	ALK inhibitor-naive	Ongoing ³⁹	JapicCTI-132316
LDK378	III	Platinum + PEM	First line	Ongoing ⁴⁵	NCT01828099
	III	PEM or DOC	Both platinum and crizotinib failure, third line	Ongoing ⁴⁴	NCT01828112
AP26113	I/II		ALK inhibitor-naive or failure	Ongoing ⁴⁷	NCT01449461
ASP-3026	I		ALK inhibitor-naive or failure	Ongoing ⁶⁴	NCT01401504
X-396	I		ALK inhibitor-naive or failure	Ongoing ⁶⁵	NCT01625234
CEP-37440	I		ALK inhibitor-naive or failure	Ongoing ⁶⁶	NCT01922752

Capítulo 6: Rol de la QT en ALK +

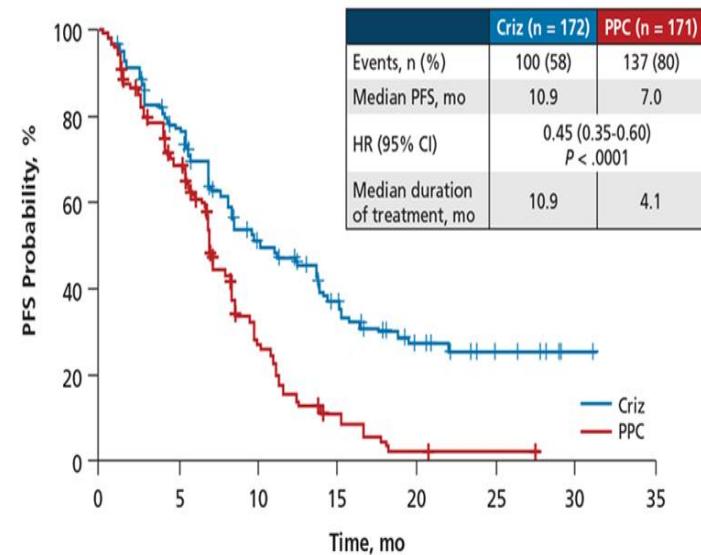


- Modelos animales: Pemetrexed ofrece mas SG que docetaxel en ALK +. Chen . Clin cancer research. 2014
- Niveles de Timidilato Sintetasa en ALK +, es menor respecto a celulas control. Puede explicar la mayor sensibilidad a Pemetrexed en estos pacientes. Lee JO JTO 2011

PFS Crizotinib vs Pemetrexed or Docetaxel



Primary Endpoint: PFS by IRR (ITT Population)

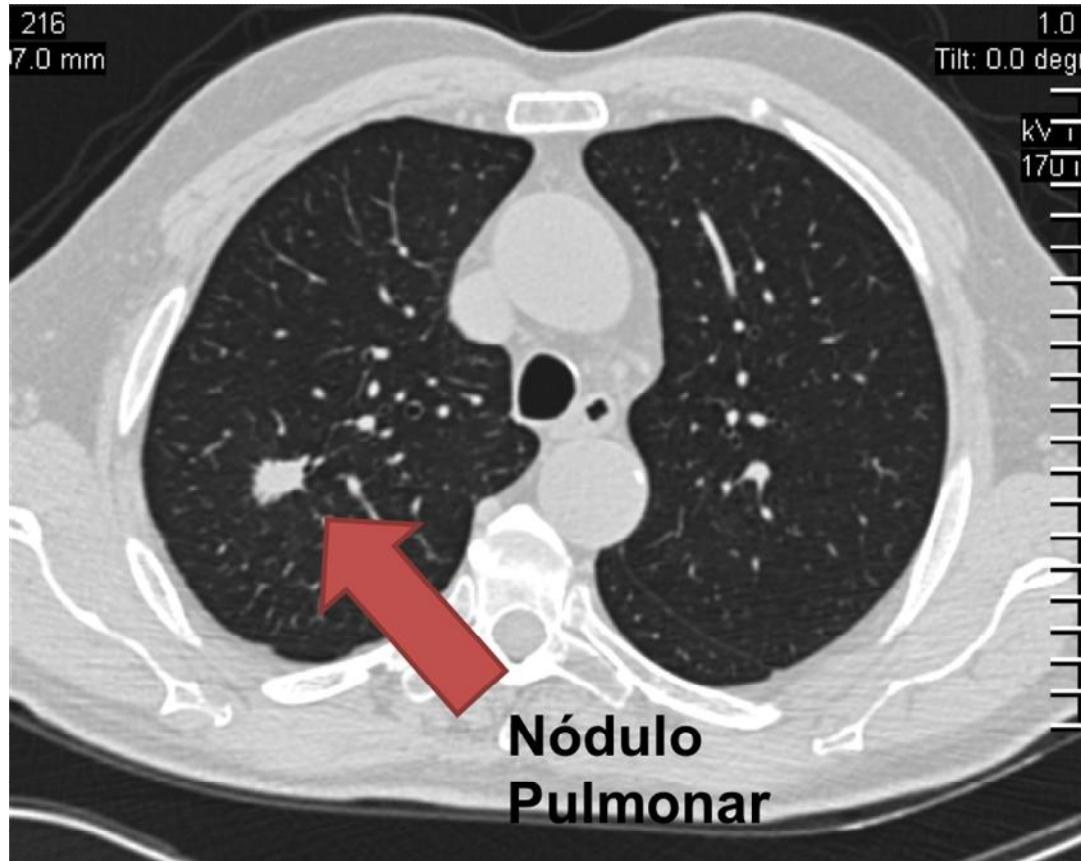


Mayor respuesta en Pemetrexed

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PROFILE 1014

Capítulo 7: Tratamiento de ALK en estadios tempranos



Capítulo 7: Tratamiento de ALK en estadios tempranos

- Difícil reclutamiento por el bajo porcentaje de casos.
- **Alchemist Protocol:** screening of 6000-8000 pacientes con CPNCP resecable. Si hay reordenamiento de ALK se incluirá en el **Ensayo ECOG 4517 trial:** randomiza **crizotinib 2 años vs placebo.**

Great Vowel Shift

Step 1: i and u drop and become əɪ and əʊ

Step 2: e and o move up, becoming i and u

Step 3: a moves forward to æ

Step 4: ε becomes e, ɔ becomes o

Step 5: æ moves up to ε

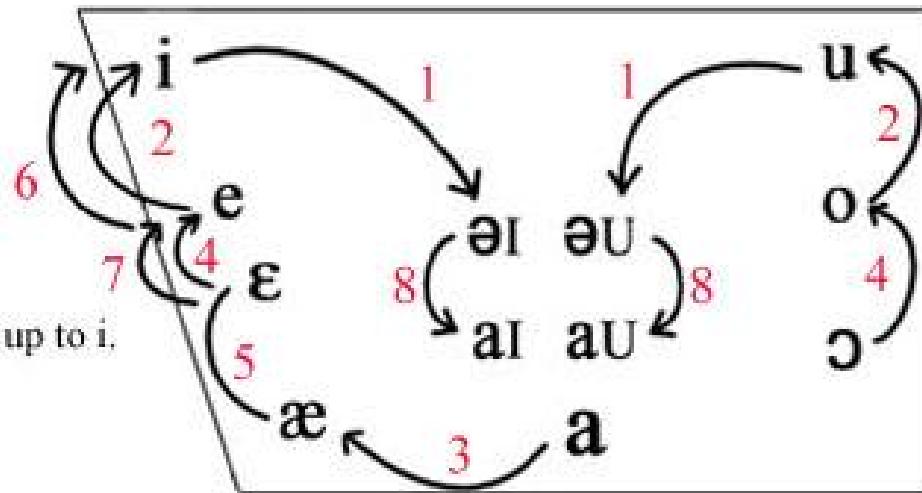
Step 6: e moves up to i

A new e was created in Step 4; now that e moves up to i.

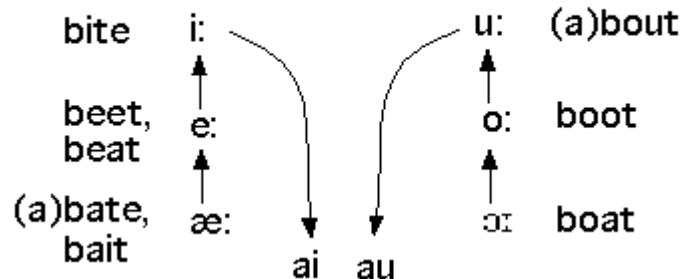
Step 7: ε moves up to e

The new ε created in Step 5 now moves up.

Step 8: əɪ and əʊ drop to aɪ and aʊ



The Great Vowel Shift (1450-1700)



Great Vowel Shift

Inglés moderno temprano

Con el inglés moderno temprano se cree que hubo una evolución vocálica del inglés (*Great Vowel Shift*), cosa que pasó principalmente en el siglo XV. El inglés fue estandarizado a partir del dialecto de [Londres](#) y se extendió por el gobierno y la administración así como por los efectos de la imprenta. Hacia la época de [William Shakespeare](#) (mediados del siglo XVI), la lengua ya se reconoce como inglés moderno. En 1604 se publicó el primer diccionario en inglés (*Table Ahphabeticall*).

El inglés continuó adoptando palabras extranjeras, especialmente del [latín](#) y del griego desde el Renacimiento (en el siglo XVII las palabras latinas eran usadas a menudo con la declinación original pero esta práctica acabó desapareciendo).



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