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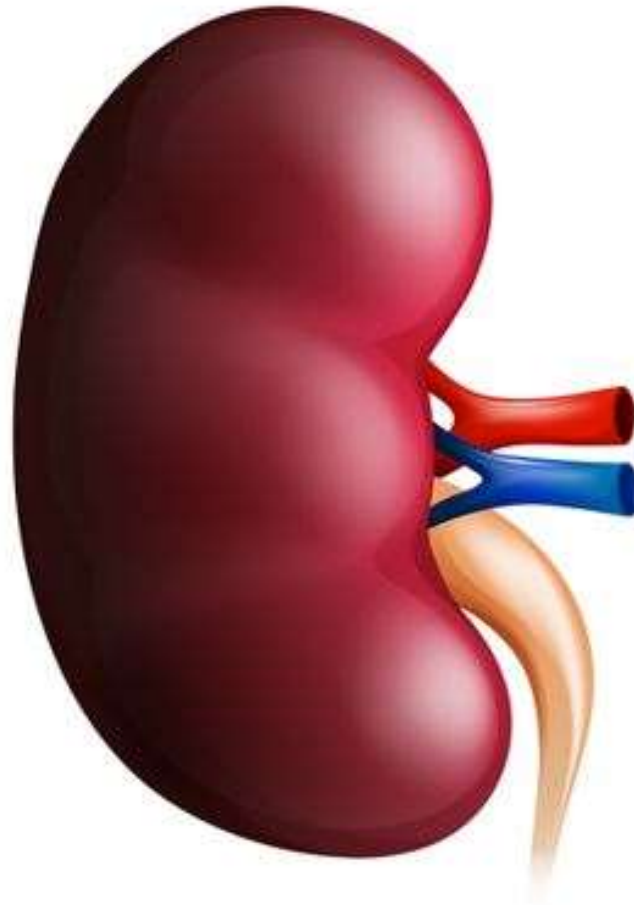
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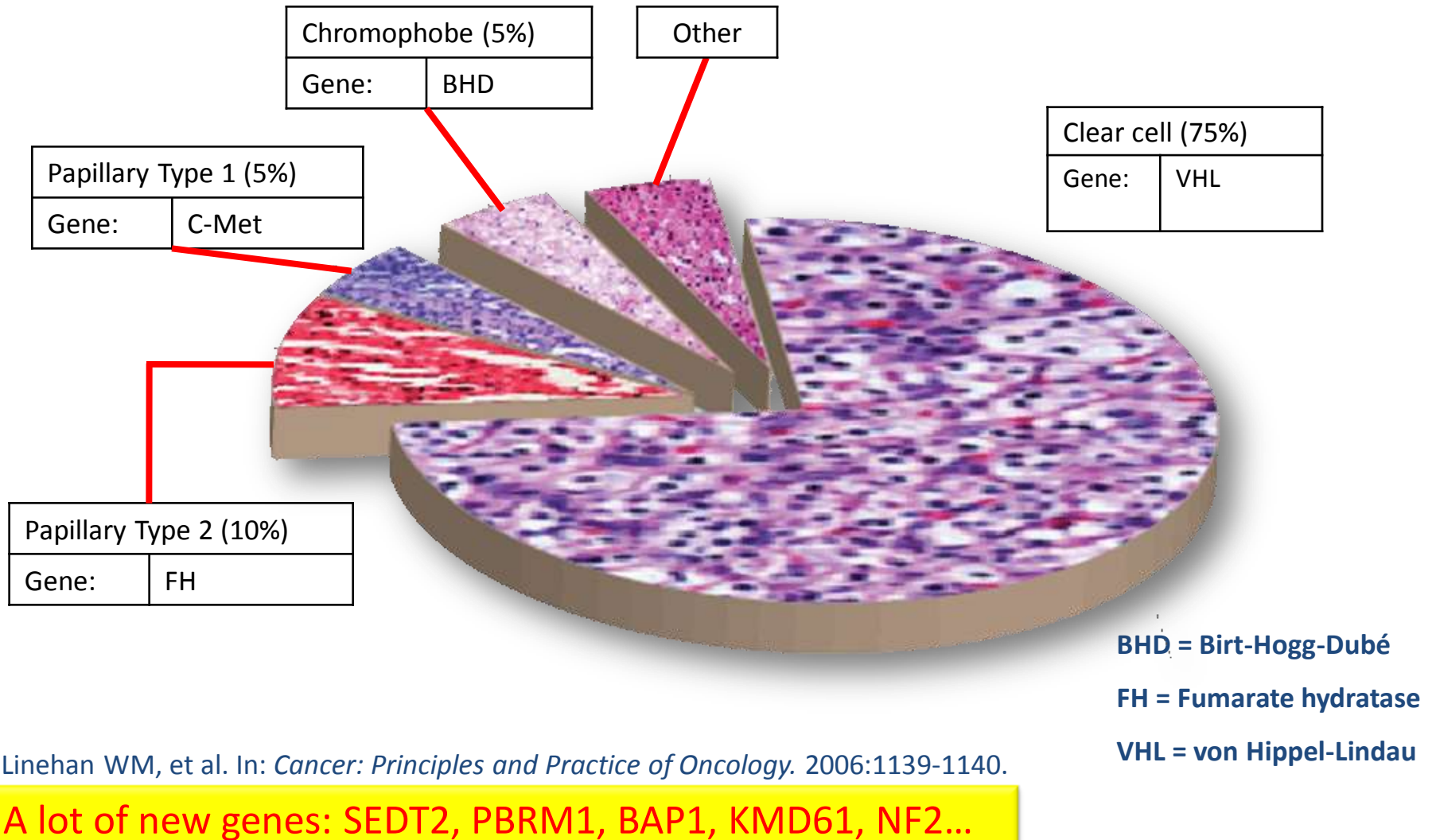




# *KIDNEY CANCER*

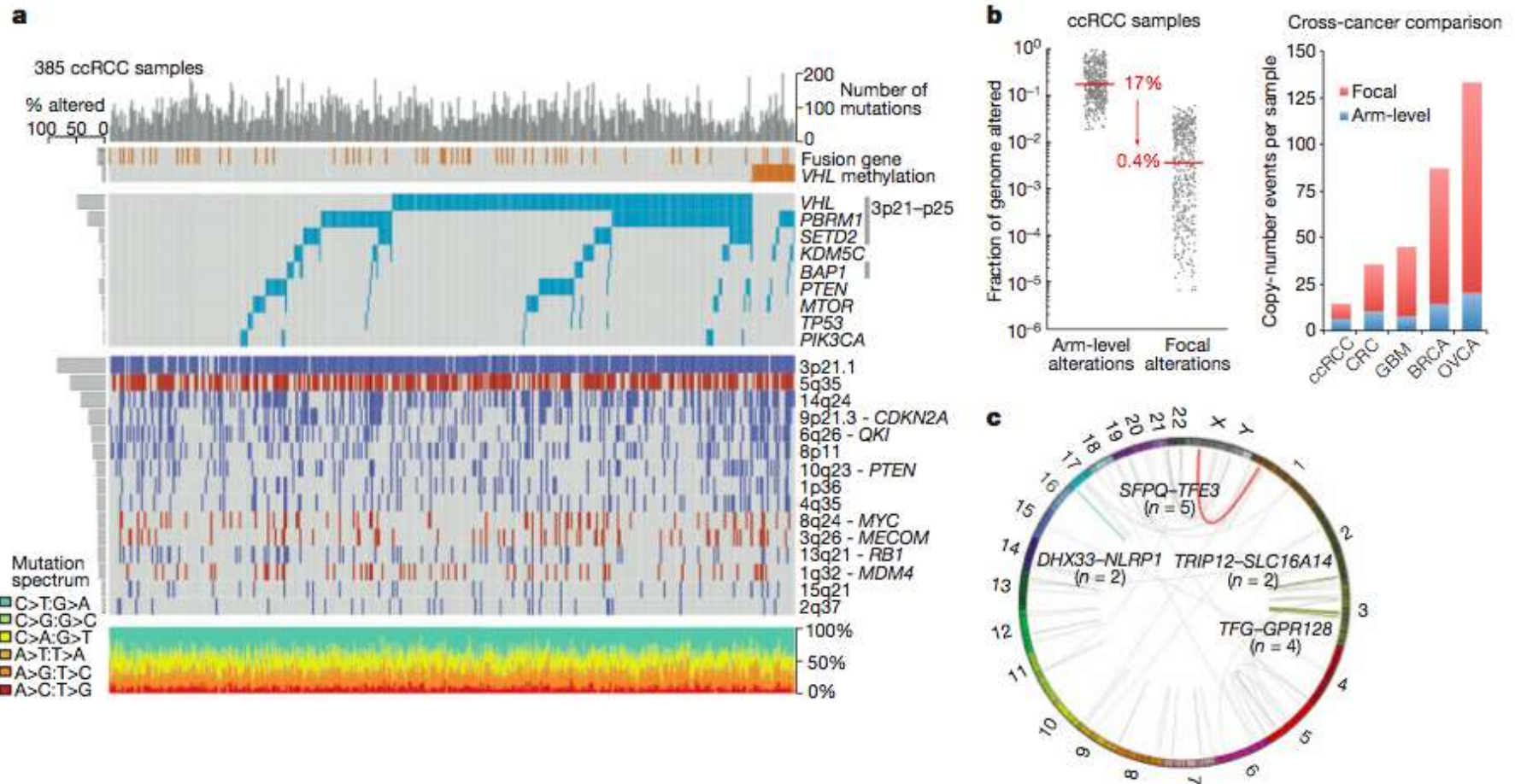


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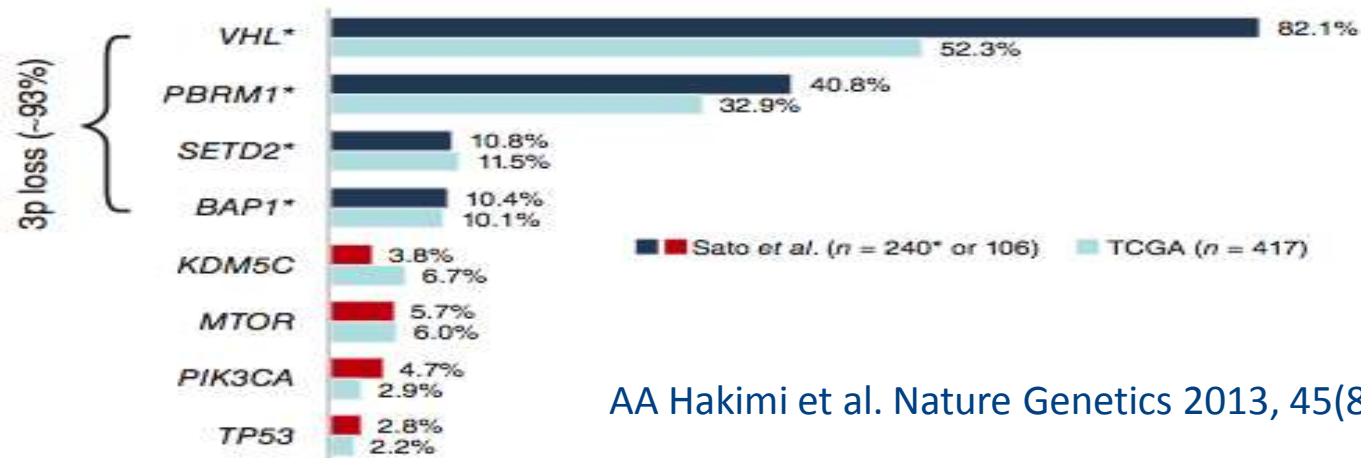
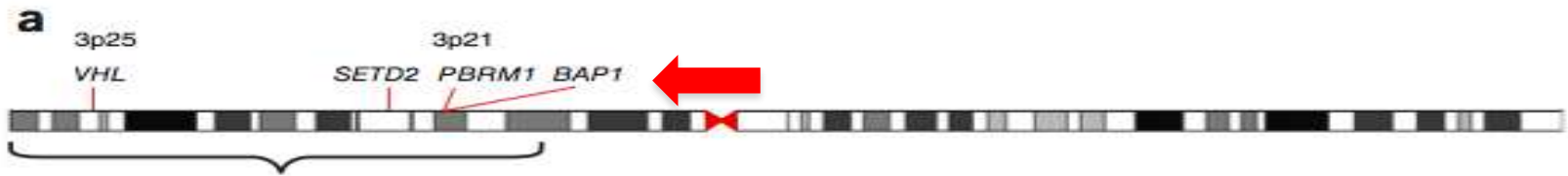
# Promise: Progress in Genome Sequencing - RCC



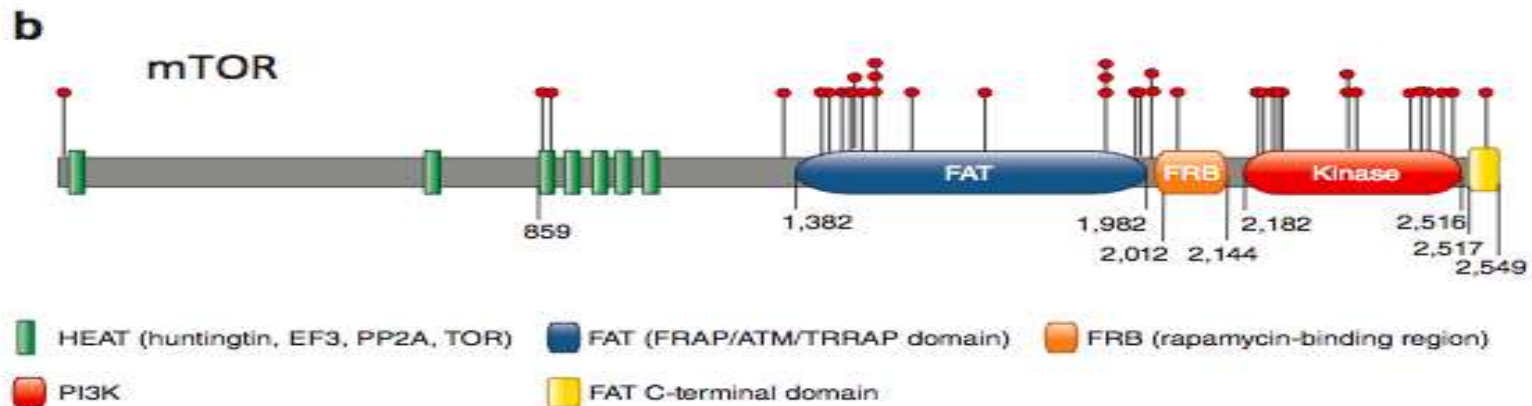
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# Promise: Progress in Genome Sequencing - RCC



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# Unraveling the molecular profile underpinning pancreatic tropisms in metastatic clear cell renal cell carcinoma.

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**Background:** The tropism of cancer metastases is poorly understood yet holds prognostic value. Clear cell renal cell carcinoma (ccRCC) exhibits a broad pattern of metastases, making it an optimal model to study organotropism. Notably, when ccRCC metastasizes to the pancreas (PM) independently of other sites, it is associated with favorable outcomes in patients for unclear reasons. Here, we comprehensively analyzed the clinical and molecular profile of patients with PM.

**Methods:** RCC patients with PM from UTSW and Cleveland Clinic were identified. Clinicopathologic data and oncologic outcomes were analyzed. Whole exome sequencing (WES), RNAseq, and histologic assessment of primary and metastatic tumors from PM patients were conducted. **Results:** 31 RCC patients with PM were identified. We observed remarkably favorable outcomes in our PM cohort, with a median overall survival (OS) of 10.7 years from metastatic diagnosis and a long latency between initial diagnosis and development of metastasis (median 69 months in patients who were non-metastatic at diagnosis). OS was independent of both metastatic tumor burden and known IMDC prognostic factors. We discovered that tumors from PM patients were markedly uniform and clustered together by gene expression analysis. WES and DNA copy number analyses revealed a high frequency of *VHL* and *PBRM1* mutations, 3p loss, and 5q amplification, along with a lower frequency of 9p, 14q and 4q losses and *BAP1* mutations, characteristic of indolent ccRCC. Furthermore, the genomic and histologic features of tumors from patients with PM can be recapitulated in patient-derived xenograft models. **Conclusions:** To our knowledge, this is the first report to unravel molecular determinants of organotropism, and we highlight that organotropism can be an independent prognostic factor. Understanding tumor heterogeneity may help refine prognostic models for metastatic RCC and hold implications for improved personalization of therapy.



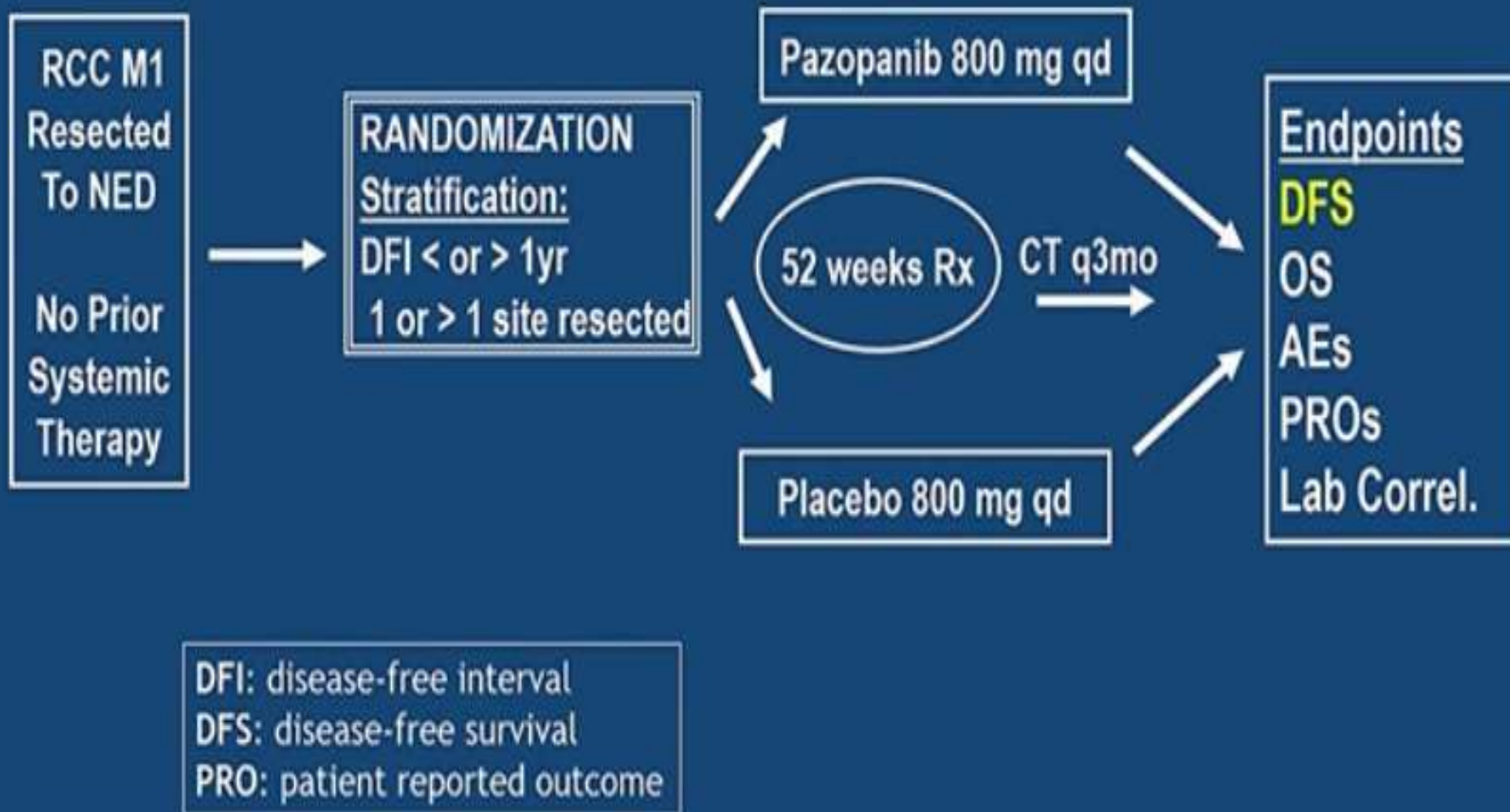
# Randomized, double-blind phase III study of pazopanib versus placebo in patients with metastatic renal cell carcinoma who have no evidence of disease following metastasectomy: A trial of the ECOG-ACRIN cancer research group (E2810)

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# E2810 STUDY SCHEMA



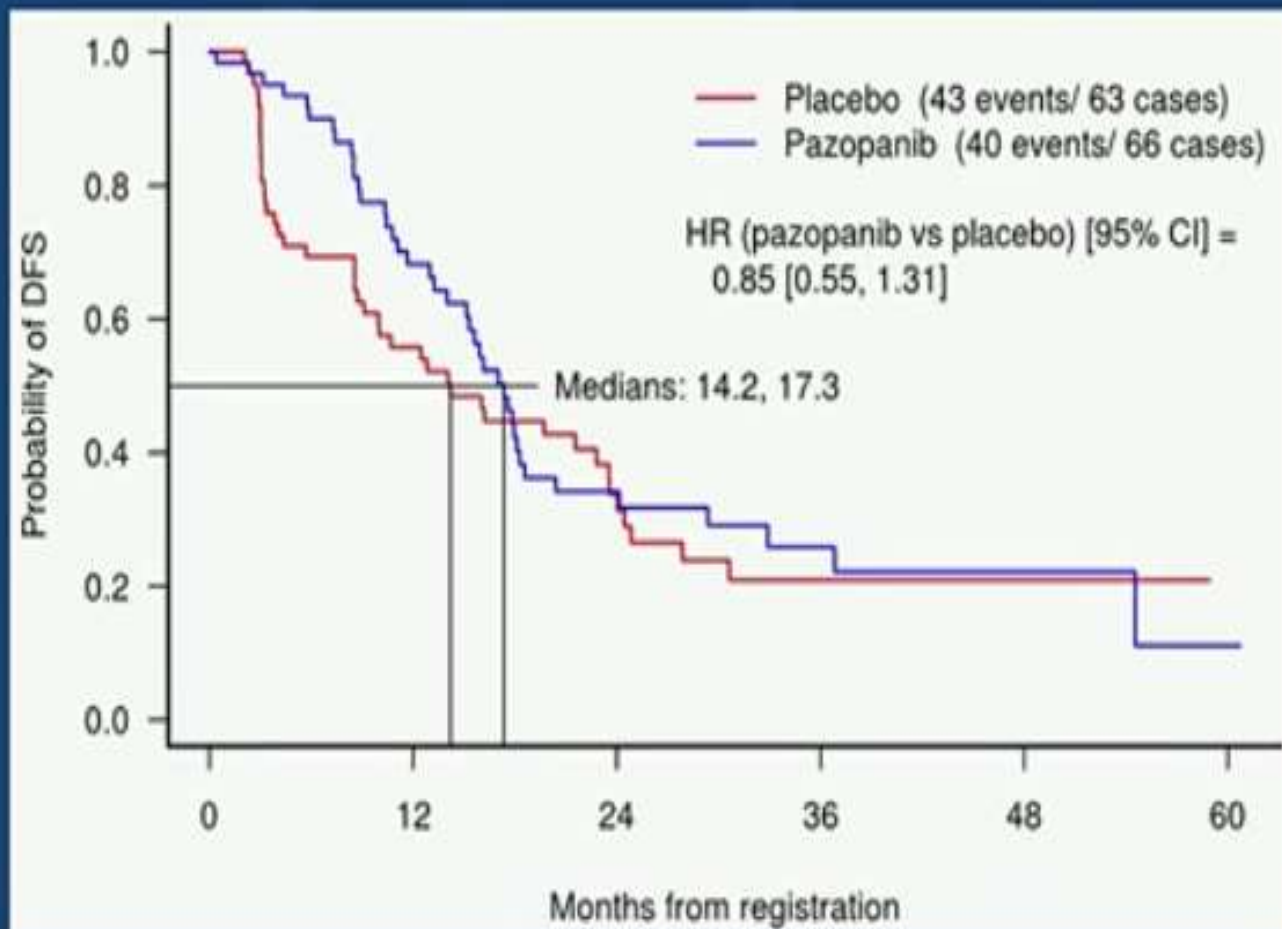


# E2810 Key Eligibility

- Synchronous or metachronous primary/metastases allowed
- Any number of resected metastases or past surgeries allowed
- Must have a clear cell component
- No evidence of disease (NED) on baseline staging scans
- ECOG performance status 0-1
- Enrolled within 12 weeks of surgery
- No prior systemic therapy for RCC

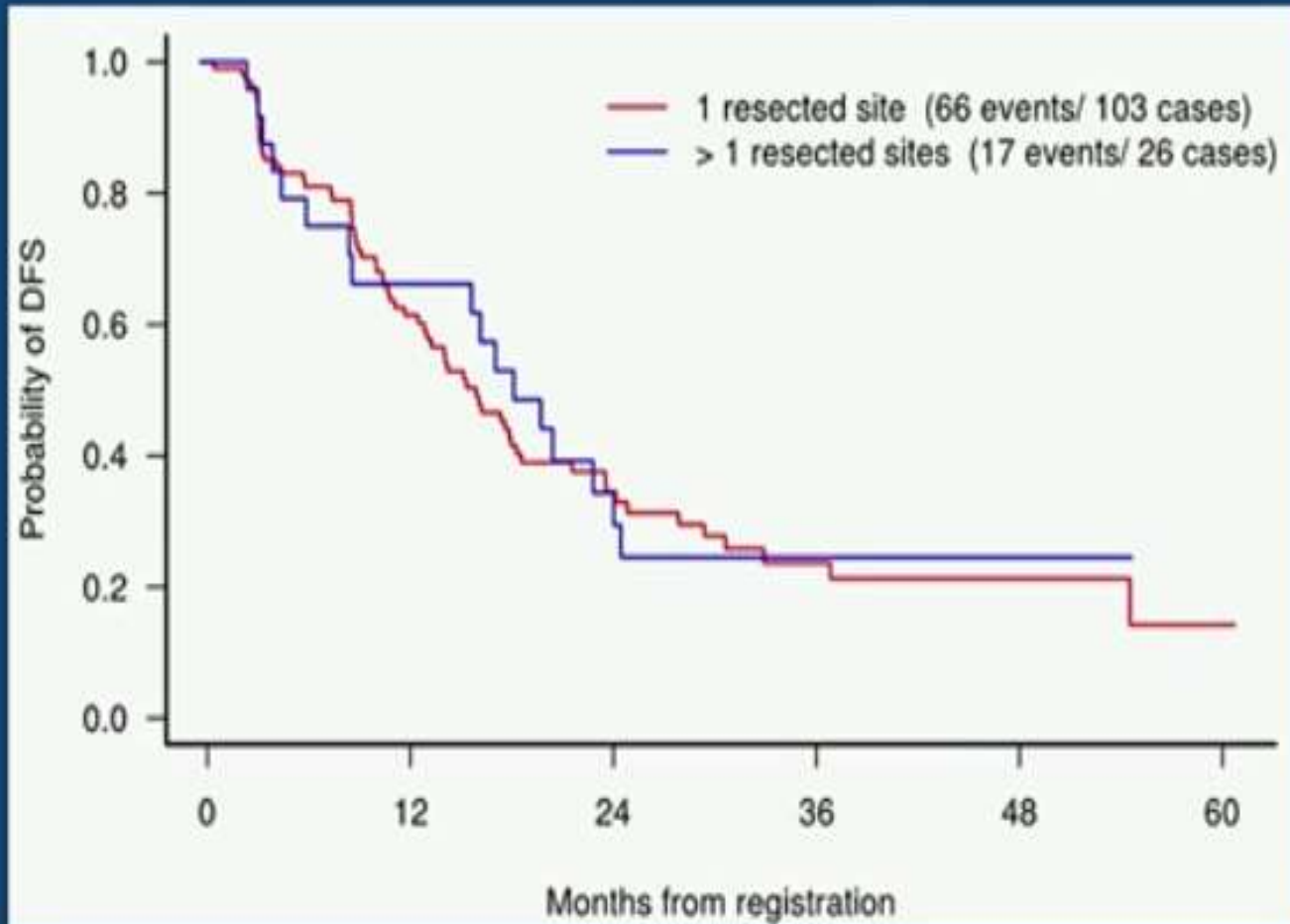


# Pazopanib did not improve disease-free survival



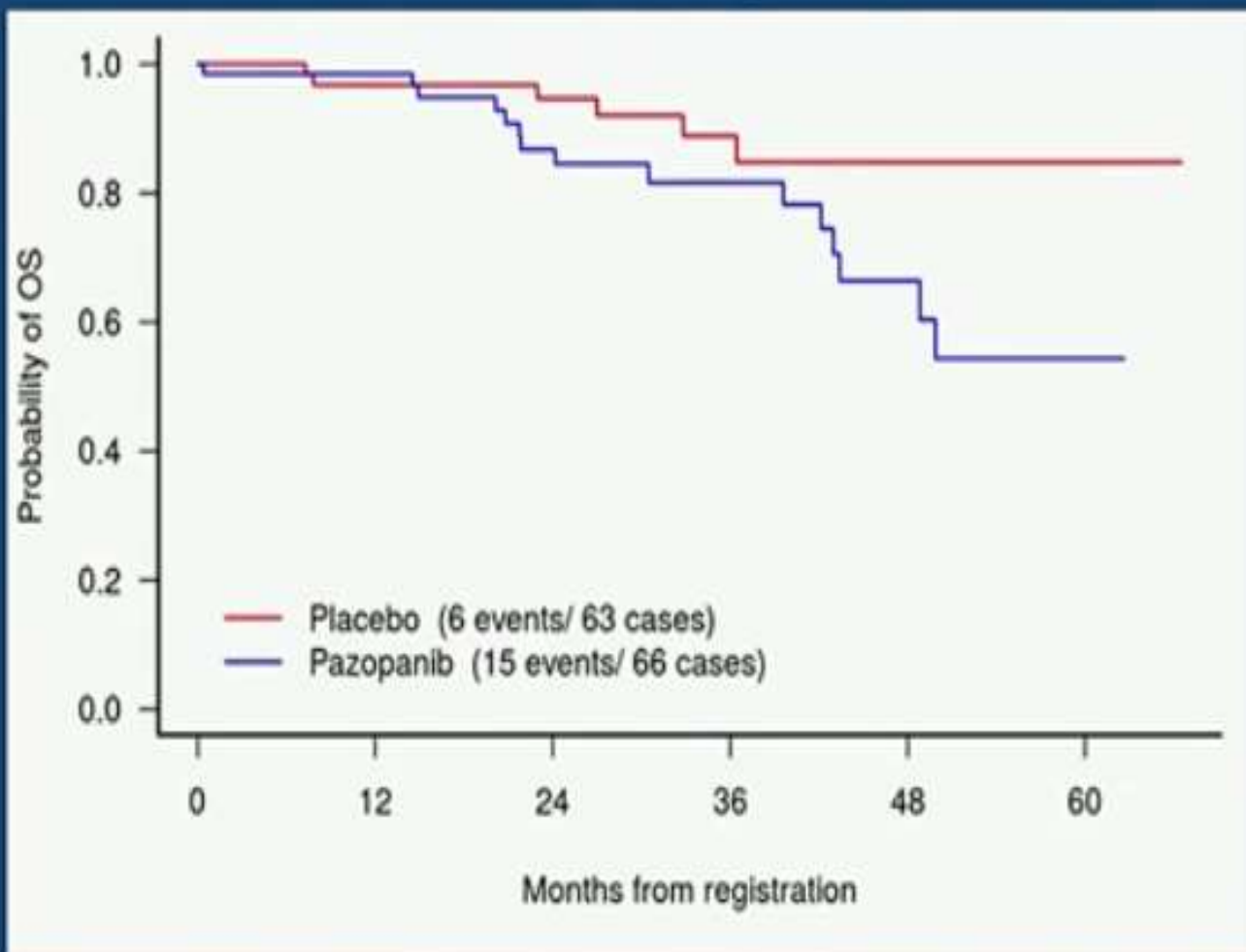


# DFS by Stratification Factor: Number of Resected Sites





# Overall Survival by Blinded Treatment Arm



Hazard Ratio for OS was 2.65 (1.02, 6.9) in favor of placebo (p=0.05)



## First-line (1L) immuno-oncology (IO) combination therapies in metastatic renal-cell carcinoma (mRCC): Results from the international mRCC database consortium (IMDC).

**Background:** In mRCC, ipilimumab and nivolumab (ipi-nivo) is a 1L treatment option. Recent data have also shown efficacy of 1L IO-VEGF (IOVE) inhibitor combinations. Comparative data between these two strategies are limited and the efficacy of subsequent therapies remains unknown. **Methods:** Using the IMDC dataset, patients (pts) treated with any 1L IOVE combination were compared to those treated with ipi-nivo. Multivariable Cox regression analysis was performed to control for imbalances in IMDC risk factors. **Results:** 188 pts received 1L IO combination therapy: 113 treated with IOVE combinations and 75 with ipi-nivo. Baseline characteristics and IMDC risk factors were comparable between groups. When comparing IOVE combinations vs ipi-nivo, 1L response rate (RR) was 33% vs 40% ( $p=0.39$ ), time to treatment failure (TTF) was 14.3 (95% CI 9.2-16.1) vs 10.2 months (95% CI 6.7-15.1,  $p=0.23$ ), and median overall survival (OS) was not reached (NR) (95% CI 22.3-NR) vs NR (95% CI 35.1-NR,  $p=0.17$ ). When adjusted for IMDC risk factors, the hazard ratio (HR) for TTF was 0.71 (95% CI 0.46-1.12,  $p=0.14$ ) and the HR for death was 1.74 (95% CI 0.82-3.68,  $p=0.14$ ). Second-line (2L) treatments were varied. In pts receiving subsequent VEGF-based therapy, 2L RR was lower in the IOVE ( $n=20$ ) versus ipi-nivo ( $n=20$ ) cohort (15% vs 45%;  $p=0.04$ ), though 2L TTF was not significantly different (3.7 vs 5.4 months,  $p=0.40$ ,  $n=55$ ). The use of IO post IOVE was uncommon and 3/5 pts had PD as best response; 2/5 had PR/SD but their 1L IOVE exposure was short at <3 months. **Conclusions:** There does not appear to be a superior 1L IO combination strategy in mRCC, as IOVE combinations and ipi-nivo have comparable 1L RR, TTF and OS. Most pts received VEGF-based therapy in the 2L. In this group, 2L RR was greater in pts who received ipi-nivo, though there was no difference in 2L TTF.

	IO-VEGF (N=113)	Ipi-Nivo (N=75)
<b>IMDC Risk Groups</b>		
Favourable	29/92 (32%)	17/64 (27%)
Intermediate	49/92 (53%)	33/64 (52%)
Poor	14/92 (15%)	14/64 (22%)
<b>2L Treatments</b>		
Axitinib	5/34	2/30
Cabozantinib	9/34	2/30
Lenvatinib + Everolimus	2/34	0/30
Nivolumab	5/34	0/30
Pazopanib	2/34	9/30
Sunitinib	9/34	15/30
Other	2/34	2/30



**IO + VEGF**

**Ipi + Nivo**

**Response  
Rate**

**33%**

**40%**

**Overall  
Survival**

**N.R.**

**N.R.**

**RR at second  
line**

**15%**

**45%**



# RURAL VS. URBAN





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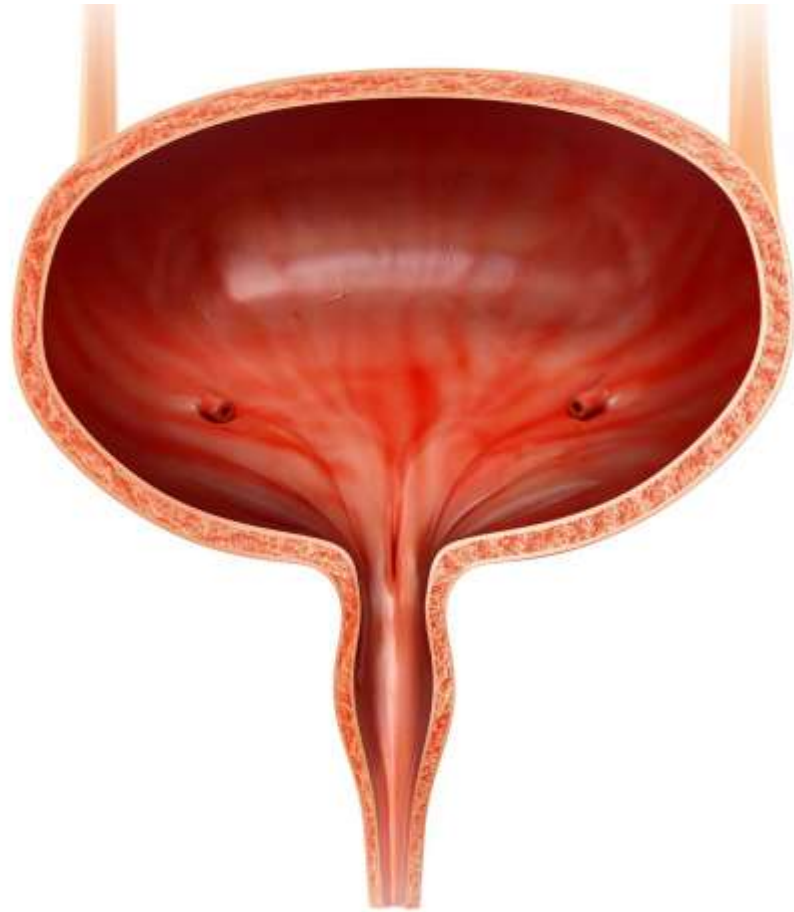


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# *UROTHELIAL CANCER*



# Abstract n.4581. Comprehensive genomic profiling (CGP) of upper-tract (UTUC) and bladder (BUC) urothelial carcinoma reveals opportunities for therapeutic and biomarker development

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## BACKGROUND

UTUC and BUC represent distinct tumor entities that may deserve dedicated therapeutic strategies, in particular with the availability of several clinical studies of targeted therapies or immunotherapy. To understand the genomic landscape and inform the therapeutic development of UC, 2463 cases (479 UTUC and 1984 BUC) were analyzed by CGP for genomic alterations (GAs) and for genome wide signatures.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

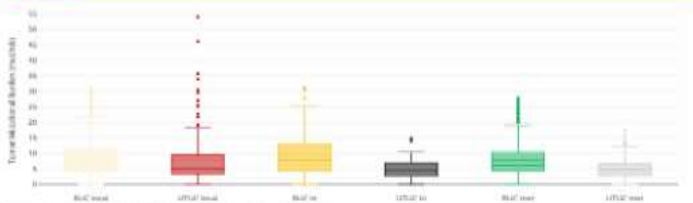
- ≥50 ng DNA extracted from 40 μm of FFPE sections
- Sequencing performed for up to 315 cancer-related genes and introns from 28 genes commonly rearranged in cancer
- Hybrid capture-based sequencing using adaptor ligation-based libraries
- Mean coverage depth >600X
- Base substitutions, insertions and deletions (short variants; SV), rearrangements, and copy number changes were assessed [1,2]
- Tumor mutational burden (TMB) calculated from 1.14 Mb sequenced DNA [1,2]
- Hybrid capture-based genomic profiling of cell-free DNA (cfDNA) was performed on ≥20 ng of cfDNA and sequencing was performed on up to 70 genes (FoundationOne Liquid) [3] to a mean unique coverage depth of >8,000X.
- For comparison of paired tissue and circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) samples, concordance was evaluated for baited regions common to both CGP assays.
- Targetable GA and signatures were assessed according to the ESMO Scale for Clinical Actionability of molecular Targets (ESCAT) [4]

## RESULTS

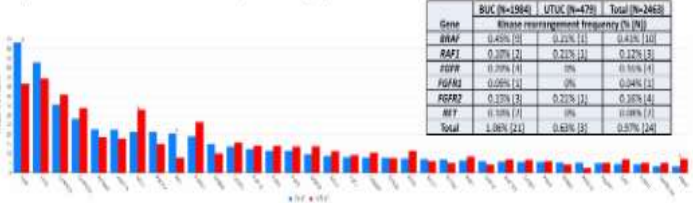
61%/58% primary [PT] and 18%/25% metastatic tumors [MT] from unmatched pts were analyzed. 39% of UC pts overall harbored ≥1 tier 1-2 GA suggesting benefit from approved or investigational targeted therapies (TT). Additionally, 29% had a tier 3 GA that provides a strong rationale for clinical trial consideration. Non-FGFR3 kinase fusions were observed in 1% of pts (0.6% UTUC v 1.1% BUC), including BRAF/RAF1 fusions in 0.5%. BRAF fusions were observed in 2% (49/2463) of cases and were mutually exclusive with FGFR3 GA (p=0.002). In comparing UC from anatomic sites, there were no differences of TMB-H (≥20 mut/mb)/MSI-H for PT and MT but UTUC was enriched for MSI-H (3.4%) relative to BUC (0.77%, p<0.001, all TMB-H). Excluding MSI-H pts, UTUC has lower median TMB (4.35 mut/mb) than BUC (6.96 mut/mb). FGFR3 GA (26% v 19%, p<0.05) and specifically short variants (SV) (20% v 13%) were enriched in UTUC vs BUC. HRAS SV were also enriched in UTUC vs BUC (7.3% v 3.0%), attributed to an enrichment in renal pelvis UC (10.1% v ureteral UC 1.8%, p<0.05). RB1 GA were more frequent in BUC vs UTUC (21% v 7.8% p<0.001).

	BUC (n = 1984)	UTUC (n = 479)
M:F	2.82	1.65
Age Median	67	68
TMB Median	6.96 mut/mb	5.23 mut/mb
TMB Mean	9.96 mut/mb	8.29
% MSI-H	0.77%	3.4%
% Local	57.7% (1,146)	61.1% (293)
% Metastatic	25.1% (498)	18.0% (86)
% Lymph Node	9.4% (187)	8.4% (40)
% Unknown	7.7% (53)	12.5% (60)

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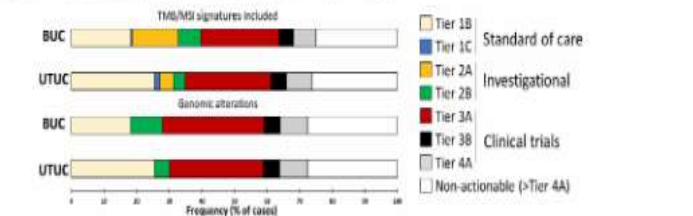


Comparison of TMB in BUC and UTUC by site of biopsy



Comparison of genomic alterations in BUC and UTUC

\*significant difference between BUC and UTUC; 1% of cases harbored non-FGFR3 kinase fusions; significant differences between PT and MT were not observed except in RB1 in BUC (24% v 15%; p = 0.005)

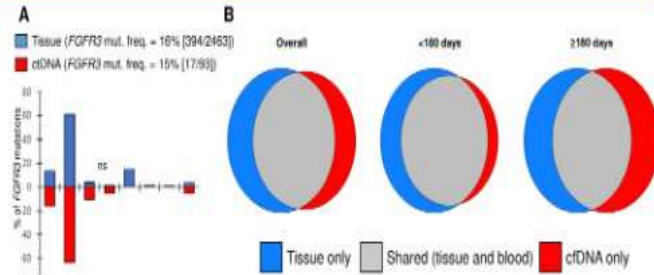


Targetable genomic alterations and signatures identified in BUC and UTUC.

Genomic alterations were ranked using the ESCAT actionability scale. Each case was assigned a tier according to the highest ranked genomic alteration/signature. ESCAT rankings were performed with and without TMB/MSI genomic signatures considered on the actionability scale.



BRAF fusion and mutations comprise a potentially targetable genomic subset  
BRAF fusion or mutation was observed in 2% of UC cases and were mutually exclusive with FGFR3 GAs. Details of BRAF fusions and mutations shown.



Comparison of mutations detected by genomic profiling of tissue and blood samples as a function of time.

(A) Unmatched tissue (N=2463) and blood samples with detected ctDNA (N=93) from patients with urothelial cancer were evaluated for FGFR3 mutation frequency. The distribution of FGFR3 mutations identified in tissue and blood are shown. ns, not significant.

(B-C) For the 21 patients with matched tissue and blood samples with detected ctDNA, mutations were classified into those found in tissue-only, blood-only, or shared (found in both tissue and blood).

Concordance was evaluated as positive-percent agreement (PPA) with tissue as a reference and as % of all detected mutations that were shared.

• Frequency and distribution of targetable FGFR3 mutations were similar between tissue and ctDNA

• Concordance varied with time interval between tissue and blood collection.

• For samples with a time interval of <180 days between sample collection, there was a 73% PPA to tissue and 90% of cases shared at least 1 mutation.

## CONCLUSIONS

• Against a background of 50% actionability in UC with opportunities for immunotherapy, TT, or combinations thereof, the UTUC cohort is enriched for FGFR3 and HRAS SV relative to BUC/HRAS mutations predominantly in UC of the renal pelvis, that warrants further investigation into the distinct modes of oncogenesis for UC as stratified by anatomic origin.

• Liquid biopsy-based genomic profiling identified targetable FGFR3 alterations. 73% of mutations present in matched tissue samples were also detected in paired liquid biopsy samples (<180 day time interval).

• These results argue strongly for the routine incorporation of CGP prior to systemic therapy initiation in metastatic UC.

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# Randomized trial of adjuvant chemotherapy vs. adjuvant radiotherapy for locally advanced bladder cancer after radical cystectomy

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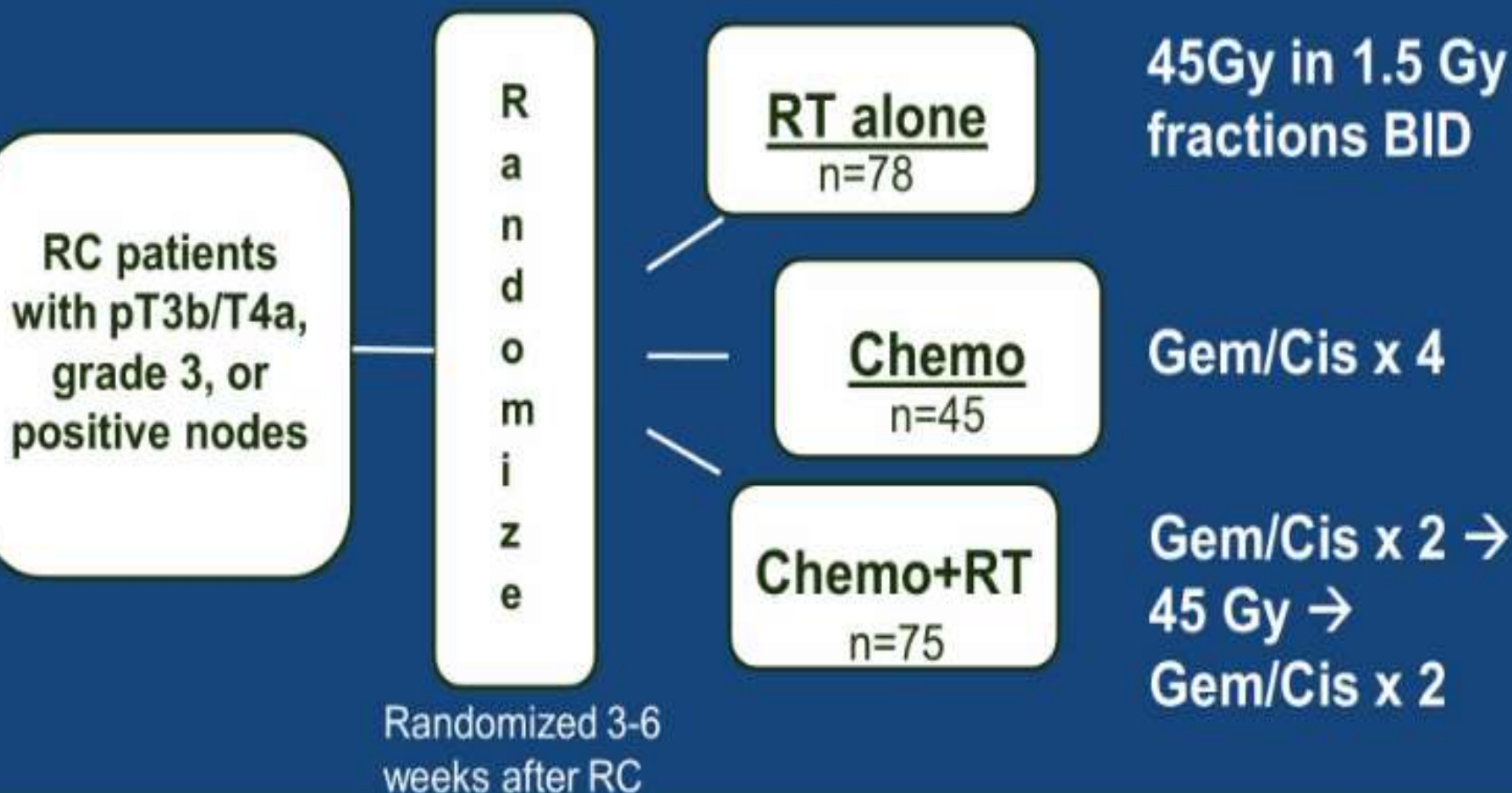
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# Updated Trial Design w/ 3<sup>rd</sup> arm added





# RT vs. Chemo Comparison

RC patients  
with pT3b/T4a,  
grade 3, or  
positive nodes

R  
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Randomized 3-6  
weeks after RC

RT alone  
n=78

45Gy in 1.5 Gy  
fractions BID

Chemo  
n=45

Gem/Cis x 4

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# Methods: Radiotherapy Treatment

- 3-D Conformal RT
- Dose: 45Gy in 1.5 Gy fractions twice daily
- Treatment volume: Cystectomy bed plus bilateral pelvic lymph nodes (top of S1)



# Methods: Chemotherapy

- Gemcitabine 1,000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV on days 1,8, and 15
- Cisplatin 70 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV on day 2
- Cycles repeated every 28 days

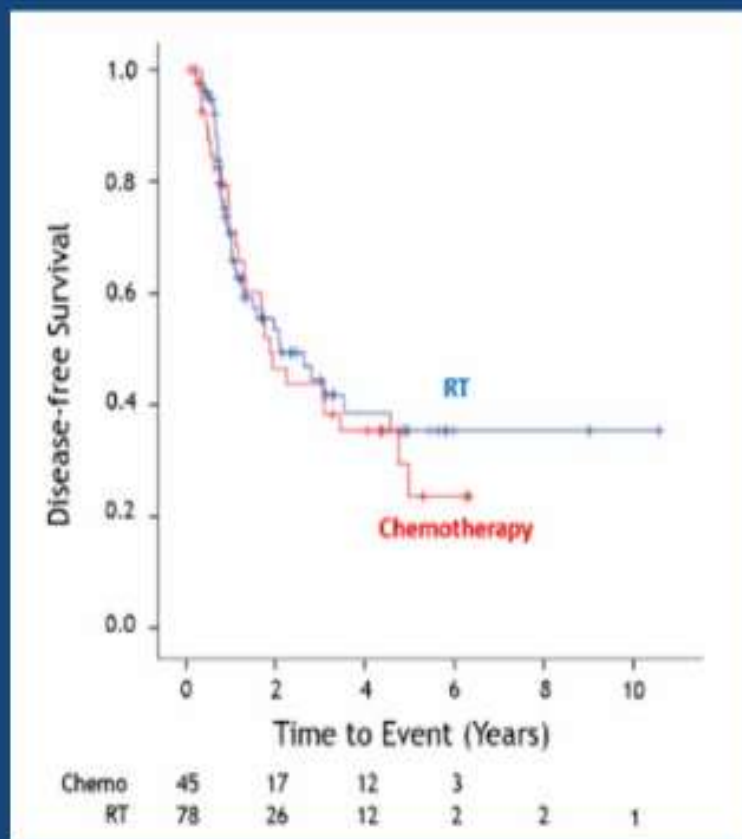
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# RT vs. chemo: No difference in DFS



Treatment Arm	2-yr DFS	Log-rank <i>p</i> -value
RT	54% (95%CI 40-65%)	0.63
Chemo	47% (95%CI 30-61%)	

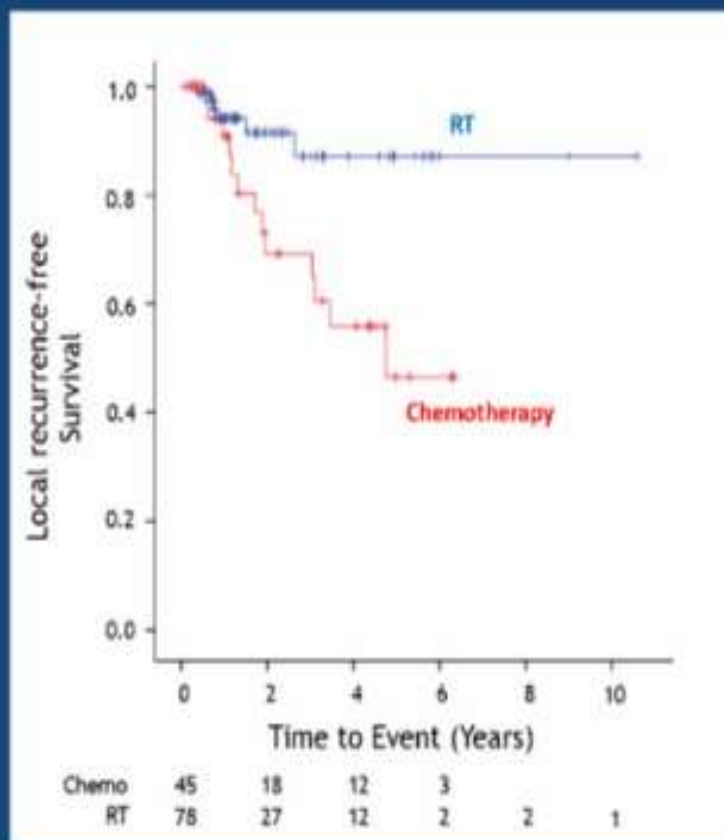
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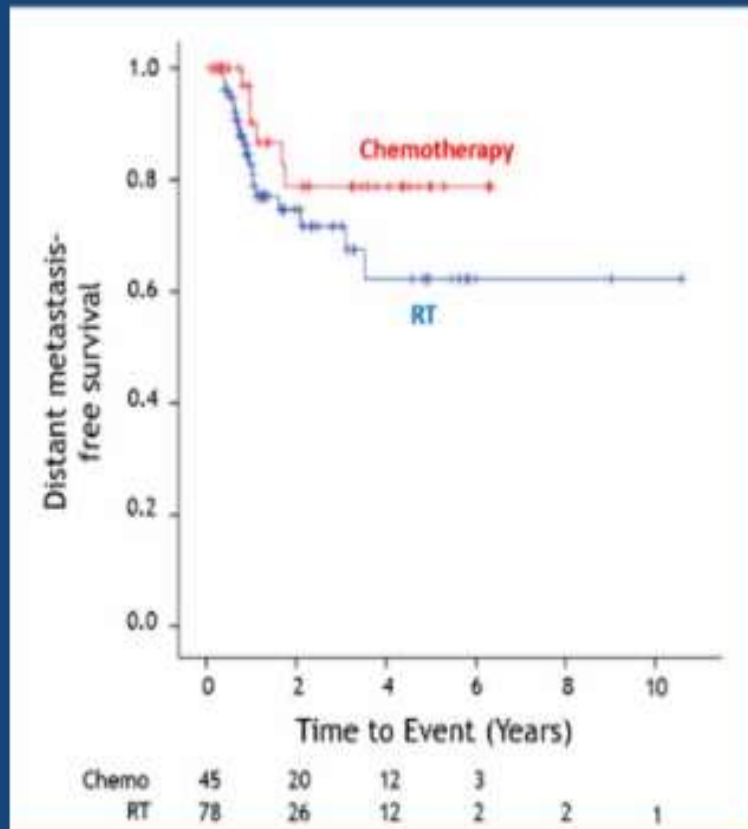
# RT significantly improved local control



Treatment Arm	2-yr LRFS	Log-rank <i>p</i> -value
RT	92% (95%CI 88-95%)	<0.01
Chemo	69% (95%CI 54-88%)	



# RT vs. chemo: No difference in DMFS



Treatment Arm	2-yr DMFS	Log-rank <i>p</i> -value
RT	75% (95%CI 69-78%)	0.16
Chemo	79% (95%CI 65-96%)	



# ***Randomized double-blind phase II study of maintenance pembrolizumab versus placebo after first-line chemotherapy in patients with metastatic urothelial cancer: HCRN GU14-182***

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# Switch maintenance therapy for mUC

Intervention	Eligibility	N	PFS
Sunitinib vs Placebo	At least SD 4-6 cycles 1 <sup>st</sup> line chemo	54	2.9 m vs. 2.7 m
Lapatinib vs Placebo	At least SD 4-6 cycles 1 <sup>st</sup> line chemo HER1/HER2 3+ IHC	446	4.5 m vs 5.4 m
Vinflunine vs BSC*	At least SD Gemcitabine + Cisplatin x 6	88	6.5 m vs 4.2 m

Grivas et al, *Cancer*, 2014; Powles et al, *JCO*, 2017; García-Donas et al, *Lancet Oncology*, 2017

\*BSC, best supportive care



# HCRN GU14-182

Metastatic UC  
At least stable  
disease  
≤ 8 cycles of  
platinum-based  
chemotherapy

Randomized  
Stratification  
Lymph-node only  
metastases (Y/N)  
Response to 1<sup>st</sup> line  
chemo (CR/PR vs SD)

Placebo q3 weeks x up to 24  
months

Pembrolizumab 200 mg IV q3  
weeks x up to 24 months



# Endpoints

## *Primary endpoint*

- Progression-free survival (PFS) per irRECIST

## *Secondary endpoints*

- Restricted mean PFS
- PFS (PD-L1 ↑)
- PFS (RECIST 1.1)
- Response rate (RECIST 1.1)
- Adverse events (CTCAE v4)
- Overall survival



# Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	Placebo (n=52)	Pembrolizumab (n=55)	<i>p</i>
Age, median (range)	65 (44-87)	68 (41-83)	0.2
Male	81%	71%	0.3
Visceral metastases	62%	71%	0.3
<i>1st line chemotherapy</i>			
median # cycles	6	5	0.3
complete/partial response	69%	73%	0.8
cisplatin-based	77%	65%	0.5



# Objective Response Rate (RECIST 1.1)

Characteristic	Placebo (n=52)	Pembrolizumab (n=55)
Not evaluable (baseline CR)	10	9
Overall response	12%	22%
Partial response	12%	13%
Complete response	0	9%
Stable disease	29%	35%
Progressive disease	54%	33%
Unknown	5%	10%



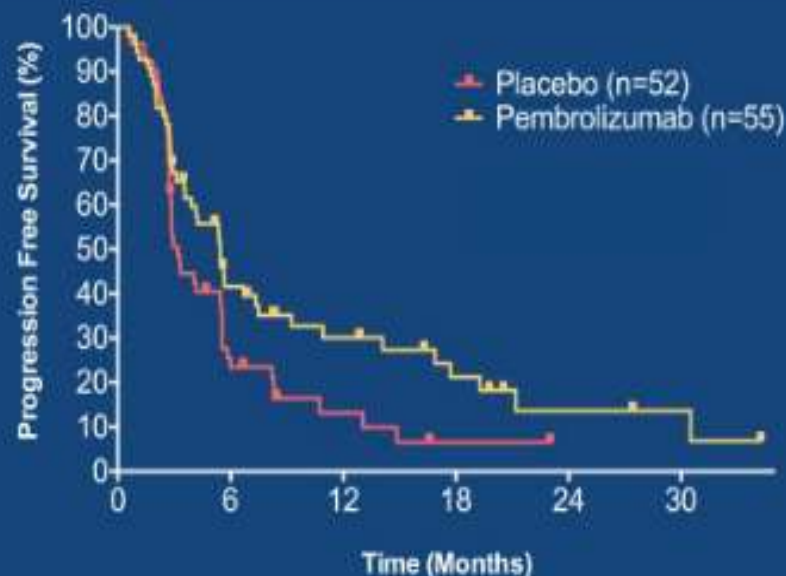
# Adverse Events (select treatment-emergent in ≥5%)

AE Term	Placebo (n=52)			Pembrolizumab (n=55)		
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4
Any adverse event	58%	35%	0%	38%	42%	11%
Fatigue	39%	0%	0%	31%	7%	0%
Anorexia	14%	0%	0%	16%	2%	0%
Dry mouth	0%	0%	0%	11%	0%	0%
ALT increased	2%	0%	0%	11%	4%	2%
AST increased	10%	0%	0%	15%	5%	0%
Diarrhea	19%	0%	0%	35%	0%	0%
Hypothyroidism	4%	0%	0%	9%	0%	0%
Pruritis	13%	0%	0%	22%	2%	0%
Rash	8%	0%	0%	22%	0%	0%
Dyspnea	14%	0%	0%	22%	5%	0%
Renal insufficiency	24%	0%	0%	29%	2%	0%

\* One patient randomized to pembrolizumab developed fatal immune-related hepatitis



# Progression-free Survival



Median PFS and 95% CI

Placebo: 3.2 (2.8, 5.5)

Pembrolizumab: 5.4 (3.6, 9.2)

Hazard Ratio: 0.64 (0.41, 0.98)

Log rank  $p = 0.038$

Number at Risk

Placebo	52	12	4	1	0	0
Pembrolizumab	55	20	12	7	3	2

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# Conclusions

- Switch-maintenance pembrolizumab significantly delays disease progression in patients with mUC
- Adverse event profile consistent with other treatment settings
- PFS in PD-L1 $\uparrow$  and OS data will be reported in future presentation
- Role of switch-maintenance PD-1 blockade will be refined by ongoing phase 3 studies



## Background

- Pembrolizumab prolonged overall survival (OS) after platinum-based chemotherapy in mUC<sup>1</sup>
- Four other anti-PD(L)1 agents are FDA-approved for mUC based on durable responses and favorable toxicity profiles (as opposed to chemotherapy)<sup>2-5</sup>
- Little is known about outcomes in pts with poor PS at time of immune checkpoint inhibitor (ICI) initiation as most were excluded from clinical trials
- We hypothesized that outcomes on ICI therapy (response rate (ORR) & OS) would be worse for patients with ECOG PS 2-3 vs ECOG PS <2
- We also hypothesized that pts initiated on ICI within 30 and 90 days of death would have increased odds of dying in the hospital (vs. elsewhere)
- We also estimate ICI cost for pts with ICI initiation within 30 and 90 days of death to inform further discussions about healthcare utilization, cost-effectiveness, outcomes research, and value-based care

## Methods

- Patients/Cohort:** A retrospective multi cohort study including 15 academic institutions identified pts with mUC who received ICI (after IRB approval)
- Data collected:** Demographic, clinicopathologic, treatment patterns, response, and outcomes data were collected using EMR review at each institution; de-identified data was shared and stored in a secure and compliant database
- Primary endpoint:** ORR based on ECOG PS
- Secondary endpoints:**
  - Median (m) OS in pts receiving ICI as 1<sup>st</sup> line & salvage (2<sup>nd</sup> line & beyond)
  - Site of death (hospital vs elsewhere) for pts receiving ICI (vs non-ICI therapy or no therapy) within 30 and 90 days of death
  - Estimated drug cost for pts treated with ICI within 30 and 90 days of death based on average wholesale price (AWP)
- Analysis:**
  - Descriptive statistics used for baseline factors
  - Unadjusted logistic regression used for association between ORR and ECOG PS (2-3 vs <2) and between site of death (hospital vs other) and ICI initiation within 30 and 90 days of death
  - Wald test was used to compare mOS between ECOG PS (2-3 vs <2)
  - ICI cost estimation was calculated as average per patient cost using AWP, also considering ICI therapy duration per patient

## Patients

### Data

Table 1. Patient characteristics for survival analysis cohort stratified by 1st line vs salvage ICI and ECOG PS

	1 <sup>st</sup> Line ICI		Salvage		Total Cohort
ECOG PS	0-1	2-3	0-1	2-3	
Number of Patients	122	47	118	40	327
Age at ICI initiation (mean ± SD)	70 ± 10	70 ± 13	68 ± 9	68 ± 10	69 ± 10
Sex [number (%)]					
Male	91 (75%)	30 (64%)	91 (77%)	29 (73%)	241 (74%)
Female	31 (25%)	17 (36%)	27 (23%)	11 (28%)	86 (26%)
Smoking History [number (%)]					
Yes/ever	76 (63%)	29 (62%)	75 (64%)	25 (63%)	205 (63%)
No/never	45 (37%)	18 (38%)	43 (36%)	15 (38%)	121 (37%)
Race/Ethnicity [number (%)]					
Caucasian/White	96 (79%)	33 (70%)	92 (78%)	28 (70%)	249 (76%)
Hispanic/Latino	3 (2%)	2 (4%)	1 (1%)	2 (5%)	8 (2%)
Black/African-American	12 (10%)	2 (4%)	12 (10%)	4 (10%)	30 (9%)
Asian	2 (2%)	2 (4%)	6 (5%)	0 (0%)	10 (3%)
Native American/Pacific Islander	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	2 (1%)
Other	2 (2%)	3 (6%)	1 (1%)	2 (5%)	8 (2%)
Not reported	6 (5%)	5 (11%)	6 (5%)	3 (8%)	20 (6%)
Cystectomy or (Nephro)ureterectomy [number (%)]					
Yes	61 (60%)	23 (53%)	46 (50%)	13 (35%)	143 (52%)
No	40 (40%)	20 (47%)	46 (50%)	24 (65%)	130 (48%)
High-10 [number (%)] at ICI initiation					
Yes	23 (19%)	15 (34%)	28 (24%)	18 (45%)	84 (26%)
No	99 (81%)	29 (66%)	87 (76%)	22 (55%)	237 (74%)
Liver Metastasis at ICI initiation					
Yes	22 (18%)	11 (23%)	17 (14%)	8 (20%)	58 (18%)
No	100 (82%)	36 (77%)	101 (86%)	32 (80%)	269 (82%)

## Results

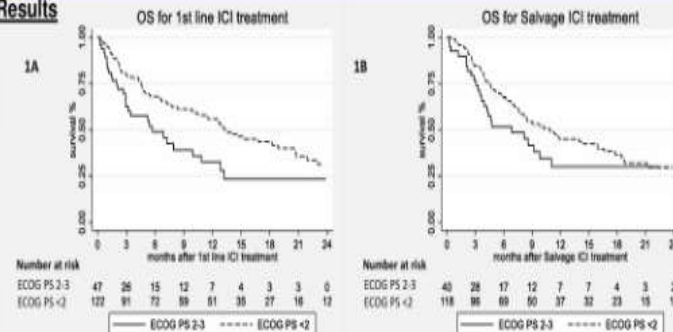


Figure 1A-B. K-M estimate for OS for pts with ECOG PS 2-3 vs ECOG PS <2 receiving 1<sup>st</sup> line ICI (A) and salvage ICI (B)

Table 2. ORR and mOS results for ECOG PS <2 and ECOG PS 2-3 by line of therapy 1L vs salvage

ECOG PS	1L ORR	1L mOS (mo)	Salvage ORR	Salvage mOS (mo)
<2	28%	14	25%	11
2-3	24%	6	20%	7
p value	0.65	0.0003	0.47	0.22

## End of Life Utilization

- Among 369 with vital information, 215 (58%) have died at time of data collection. Among those:
  - 24 (11%) with initiation of ICI vs 4 (2%) with initiation of non-ICI in the last 30 days of life
  - 76 (35%) with initiation of ICI vs 14 (7%) with initiation of non-ICI in the last 90 days of life
- Among 140 pts with known site of death:
  - 14 (10%) with initiation of ICI in the last 30 days of life
  - 48 (34%) with initiation of ICI in the last 90 days of life

Table 3. Odds ratio for ICI initiation within 30 and 90 days among pts with hospital death (vs no hospital death) and estimation of ICI cost per patient for pts with ICI initiation within 30 and 90 days of death

New ICI initiation within days of death	Odds ratio for ICI initiation for hospital death vs no hospital death	ICI cost estimation per patient
30 days	4.27 (CI 1.37, 13.3), p=0.01	\$ 1,340.07
90 days	1.36 (CI 0.63, 2.94), p=0.43	\$ 2,600.22

## Conclusions:

- Pts with ECOG PS 2-3 at ICI initiation had numerically lower, but not statistically significantly different, ORR compared with pts with ECOG PS <2
- Pts with ECOG PS 2-3 had shorter mOS with ICI vs pts with ECOG PS <2, the difference was statistically significant only in 1L setting
- ICI initiation in last 30 days of life was associated with higher odds of hospital death compared to death elsewhere
- ICI might not circumvent the negative prognostic role of poor PS overall
- Given cost & risk of significant morbid death, ICI for pts with poor PS should be reserved for those with best chance of response; additional work on biomarker-based patient selection is critical; data on PD-L1 IHC, TMB, etc. was lacking
- Limitations include lack of adjustment for selection bias and other confounders at the time of ICI initiation, retrospective nature, possible variability in follow up

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# Treatment sequencing of anti-PD-1/PD-L1 and carboplatin (carbo)-based chemotherapy (chemo) in cisplatin-ineligible patients (pts) with metastatic urothelial cancer (mUC)

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## Background

- Cisplatin-based chemo is the standard of care for mUC pts who are cisplatin-eligible
- Many mUC pts are unfit for cisplatin due to renal dysfunction, poor performance status, underlying neuropathy, hearing loss, or cardiac dysfunction
- For cisplatin-ineligible pts, 1<sup>st</sup>-line (1L) treatment options include carbo-based chemo and the anti-PD-1/PD-L1 immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICI) pembrolizumab and atezolizumab
- FDA labels for pembrolizumab and atezolizumab for 1L treatment of mUC were recently revised to limit indications to pts who are cisplatin-ineligible and whose tumors express PD-L1, or pts who are ineligible for any platinum-containing chemo regardless of PD-L1 status
- For untreated cisplatin-ineligible mUC pts, the optimal treatment sequence of carbo-based chemo followed by anti-PD-1/PD-L1 versus anti-PD-1/PD-L1 followed by carbo-based chemo remains unclear

## Objectives

- Primary:** Association between overall survival (OS) and treatment sequence
- Secondary:** Objective response rate (ORR) and Time to treatment failure (TTF) by treatment in each sequence

## Methods

- We collected data retrospectively from 10 institutions
- Target population: Cisplatin-ineligible mUC pts treated with 1L carbo-based chemo followed by 2<sup>nd</sup>-line (2L) PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitor, or the reverse order without intervening therapy
- Pts who received cisplatin-based perioperative chemo are allowed if interval between completion of chemo and initiation of 1L therapy for mUC is >1 year
- Demographics, baseline clinical variables, and clinical outcomes, including best radiographic response (investigator-assessed), TTF, interval between 1L and 2L therapies, and OS, were collected
- To assess association between OS and treatment sequence, multivariate analysis was performed from initiation of 2L therapy, adjusted for:
  - Treatment sequence
  - TTF1 + Interval between 1L and 2L therapies
  - Baseline hemoglobin (<10 vs. ≥10 g/dL)
  - ECOG performance status (0-1 vs. 2-3)
  - Site(s) of metastasis (lymph node only vs. non-liver [e.g. lungs, bone] vs. liver)

## Results

### Patient and Clinical Characteristics at Initiation of 1L Therapy

	PD-1/L1 → Carbo (N = 43)	Carbo → PD-1/L1 (N = 103)	P-value
Male, N (%)	39 (90.7%)	72 (69.9%)	0.01
Age, Median (Q1-Q3)	72 (66-77)	72 (65-77)	0.80
ECOG PS, N (%)			
0 or 1	32 (74.4%)	82 (79.6%)	0.24
2 or 3	10 (23.3%)	15 (14.6%)	
Unknown	1 (2.3%)	6 (5.8%)	
Site(s) of met, N (%)			
LN only	19 (44.2%)	42 (40.8%)	0.88
Non-liver	16 (37.2%)	43 (41.7%)	
Liver	8 (18.6%)	18 (17.5%)	
Peri-op cisplatin, N (%)			
No	40 (93.0%)	97 (94.2%)	0.72
Hb, Median (Q1-Q3)	12.4 (11.3-13.8)	11.4 (10.2-12.9)	0.16
Tumor PD-L1 status			
Positive	1 (2.3%)	0 (0%)	NC
Negative	0 (0%)	4 (3.9%)	
Unknown	42 (97.7%)	99 (96.1%)	

Carbo-based chemo regimens include Carbo/Gemcitabine + Paclitaxel, Carbo/Paclitaxel, and Carbo alone. Abbreviations: Hb, hemoglobin; LN, lymph node; met, metastasis; NC, not conducted due to high proportion of unknown; Peri-op, perioperative; PS, performance status

### Objective Response Rate (ORR) by Treatment Sequence

	PD-1/L1 → Carbo (N = 43)		Carbo → PD-1/L1 (N = 103)	
N (%)	1L PD-1/PD-L1	2L Carbo	1L Carbo	2L PD-1/PD-L1
CR	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (3.9%)	3 (2.9%)
PR	4 (9.3%)	19 (44.2%)	43 (41.7%)	19 (18.4%)
SD	11 (25.6%)	8 (18.6%)	21 (20.4%)	13 (12.6%)
PD	28 (65.1%)	8 (18.6%)	32 (31.1%)	53 (51.6%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	8 (18.6%)	3 (2.9%)	15 (14.6%)

Abbreviations: CR, complete response; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease

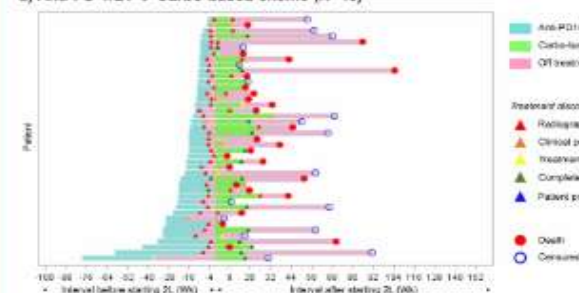
### Multivariate Analysis between OS and Treatment Sequence

	HR (95% CI)	P-value
Treatment sequence <sup>1</sup>		
PD-1/L1 → Carbo	1.05 (0.62-1.77)	0.85
Carbo → PD-1/PD-L1 (Ref)	-	
TTF1 + Interval between 1L and 2L		
≤ Median	1.27 (0.77-2.11)	0.35
> Median (Ref)	-	
Hemoglobin		
<10	1.33 (0.74-2.40)	0.34
≥10 (Ref)	-	
ECOG performance status		
0-1 (Ref)	-	0.83
2-3	1.07 (0.60-1.90)	
Site(s) of metastasis		
LN only (Ref)	-	0.002
Non-liver	1.49 (0.84-2.63)	
Liver	3.23 (1.69-6.19)	

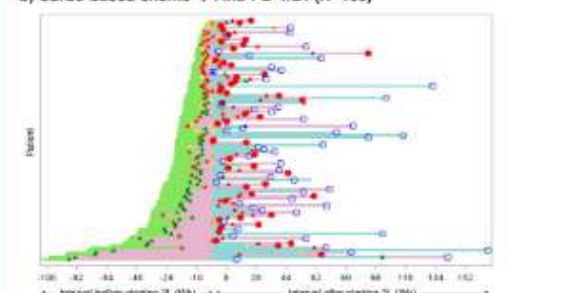
<sup>1</sup>On univariate analysis, treatment sequence was insignificant for OS: HR 1.16 (0.72-1.87), p=0.53

### Swimmer's Plot by Treatment Sequence

#### a) Anti-PD-1/L1 → Carbo-based chemo (N=43)



#### b) Carbo-based chemo → Anti-PD-1/L1 (N=103)



	TTF1 Median (Q1-Q3)	1L and 2L Interval Median (Q1-Q3)	TTF2 Median (Q1-Q3)	OS <sup>1</sup> Median (95% CI)
PD-1/L1 → Carbo, Wk	15.6 (10.0-22.2)	4.0 (3.0-6.3)	11.0 (3.0-23.9)	37.2 (20.5-70.0)
Carbo → PD-1/L1, Wk	23.0 (14.0-33.7)	7.4 (5.0-15.7)	11.4 (3.1-19.6)	44.8 (27.0-93.1)

<sup>1</sup>Overall survival from start of 2L therapy by treatment sequence

## Conclusions

- In this retrospective analysis, treatment sequence of anti-PD-1/L1 and carbo-based chemo conferred comparable OS in cisplatin-ineligible mUC
- Carbo-based chemo resulted in higher ORR, longer TTF1, and longer interval between 1L and 2L therapy compared to anti-PD-1/L1, likely at least in part influenced by pt selection
- Most pts were treated before FDA label changes and analysis was independent of PD-L1 status; ongoing phase 3 trials will help to inform optimal treatment sequence



# Abstract 4509: A Phase II Study of RC48-ADC in Subjects With HER2 Positive Metastatic or Unresectable Urothelial Cancer (NCT03507166 ,RC48-C005)

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## BACKGROUND

- RC48-ADC is a novel HER2-targeting antibody drug conjugate (ADC) that selectively delivers anticancer agent MMAE into HER2 positive tumor cells<sup>1</sup>.
- Preclinical study demonstrated that RC48-ADC was significantly more effective than lapatinib, trastuzumab and T-DM1<sup>1</sup>, in vivo tumor model of human breast cancer resistant to trastuzumab and lapatinib.
- Phase I studies (NCT02881138 and NCT02881190) demonstrated that RC48-ADC was well tolerated in patients with malignant solid tumors.
- Study RC48-C005 is designed to explore the efficacy and safety of RC48-ADC for HER2 positive urothelial cancer.

## METHODS

### Primary Outcome Measure:

- Objective Response Rate (ORR)

### Secondary Outcome Measures:

- Progression Free Survival (PFS)
- Duration of Objective Response (DOR)
- Overall Survival (OS)
- Adverse events

### Key Inclusion Criteria:

- Histologically or cytologically-confirmed diagnosis of urothelial (bladder, renal pelvis, or ureter) cancer which is unresectable, locally advanced or metastatic
- HER2 IHC 2+ or 3+
- Have had progression or intolerance following receipt of at least one systemic chemotherapy for the advanced or metastatic disease
- ECOG performance status 0-1

### Study Design

This study was an open-label, multicenter, single-arm, non-randomized phase II study. Eligible patients received RC48-ADC, 2 mg/kg IV infusion, once every two weeks until confirmed disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, withdrawal, or study termination.

Figure 1. Study Design



## Patient Characteristics

- As of 30 April 2019, RC48-C005 has completed the enrollment of 43 patients. All patients received at least one dose of study treatment. Thirty-five patients (81.4%) were discontinued from study. Most common cause of discontinuation were progressive disease (41.9%) and AE (32.6%).

Table 1. Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

Characteristics	Total (N=43)
Age (years)	
Median	64
Mean (SD)	62.3 (8.18)
Gender	
Male (n,%)	33 (76.7%)
HER2 status	
IHC2+ (n,%)	11 (25.6%)
IHC2+FISH+ (n,%)	4 (9.3%)
IHC2+FISH- (n,%)	24 (55.8%)
IHC2+FISH unknown (n,%)	3 (7.0%)
Primary Lesion	
Bladder (n,%)	22 (51.2%)
Renal pelvis (n,%)	13 (30.2%)
Ureter (n,%)	11 (25.6%)
Visceral metastases (n,%)	37 (86.0%)
Lung (n,%)	21 (48.8%)
Liver (n,%)	20 (46.5%)
Prior chemotherapy	
1 Line (n,%)	31 (72.1%)
≥2 Lines (n,%)	12 (27.9%)
Prior PD-1/PD-L1 therapy (n,%)	8 (18.6%)

## Efficacy

- The confirmed Objective Response Rate (eORR) is 51.2% (22/43). The BOR was PR in 26 patients and SD in 13 patients, bringing to a best Overall Response Rate of 60.5% (26/43) and DCR of 90.7% (39/43).
- Median PFS was 6.9 months (95% CI: 4.2 to 7.8). Six-month PFS rate was 56.9% (95% CI: 39.9% to 70.7%). Six-month OS rate was 85.2% (95% CI: 70.0% to 93.1%) and 12-month OS rate was 59.6% (95% CI: 36.6% to 76.7%).
- Subgroup analysis indicated similar trends in the patients with HER2 overexpression (IHC 2+FISH+ or IHC3+) (53.3%), with visceral metastasis (56.8%), and previously treated with PD1/PDL1 (62.5%).

## RESULTS

Figure 2. Best Overall Response

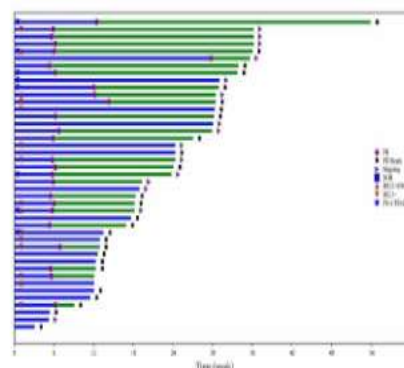


Figure 3. Best Change of Target lesion from Baseline

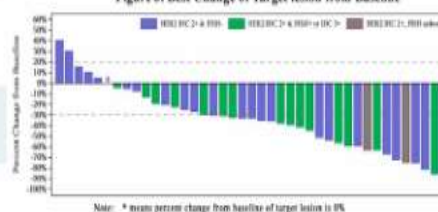
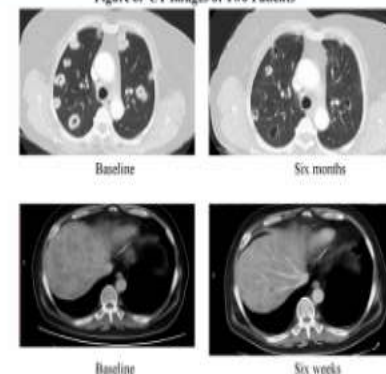


Table 2. Subgroup Analysis for eORR

Subgroups	eORR (%; 95% CI)
IHC2+FISH+ or IHC3+ (n=15)	53.3% (26.6%, 78.7%)
IHC2+FISH- (n=24)	45.8% (25.6%, 67.2%)
Visceral Metastasis (n=37)	56.8% (39.9%, 72.9%)
Metastasis to Liver (n=20)	60.0% (36.1%, 80.9%)
Post to PD1/PDL1 Treatments (n=8)	62.5% (24.5%, 91.5%)
Post to 1 line of Chemotherapy (n=31)	54.8% (36.0%, 72.7%)
Post to ≥2 Lines of Chemotherapy (n=12)	41.7% (15.2%, 72.3%)

Figure 3. CT Images of Two Patients



## Safety

- The most commonly reported treatment related adverse events (TRAEs) were hypoaesthesia (55.8%), alopecia (55.8%), white blood cell count decreased (55.8%) and neutrophil count decreased (41.9%).
- The most commonly reported grade 3/4 TRAEs were hypoaesthesia in 7 patients (16.3%) and neutrophil count decreased in 6 patients (14.0%).
- Serious Adverse Event (SAE) was reported in 14 patients (32.6%). Most commonly reported SAEs were intestinal obstruction (4.7%) and incomplete intestinal obstruction (4.7%).

## CONCLUSION

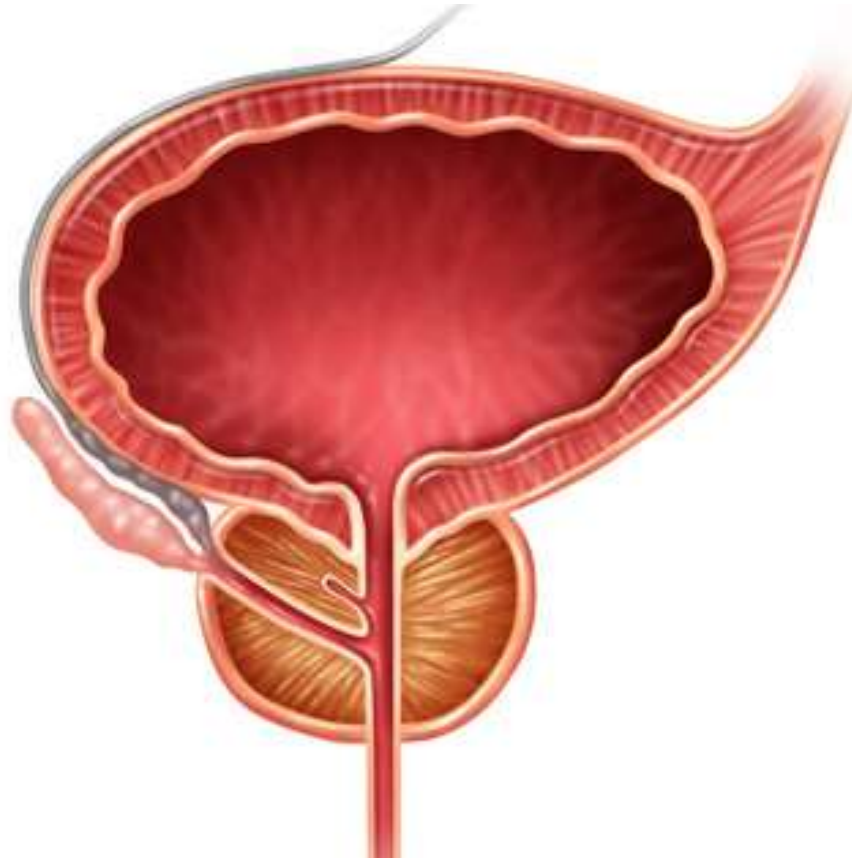
- RC48-ADC has demonstrated a clinically meaningful eORR of 51.2%, and mPFS of 6.9 months in HER2 positive mUC patients, especially in those with visceral metastasis, previously treated with 1-0 agents.
- The commonly reported adverse events were hypoaesthesia, alopecia and hemotoxicity. The adverse events were manageable. RC48-ADC was well tolerated.
- The study demonstrated a favourable benefit-risk profile of RC48-ADC. A pivotal study (NCT03809013) is initiated to further confirm the RC48-ADC as the satisfaction of unmet medical needs in HER2 positive mUC.

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# *PROSTATE CANCER*



# Impact of darolutamide on pain and quality of life in patients with nonmetastatic castrate-resistant prostate cancer

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# ARAMIS trial design: Patient-relevant endpoints



**Primary endpoint (significance level 0.05)**

- MFS

**Secondary endpoints (hierarchical testing; interim  $\alpha=0.0005$ )**

- OS
- Time to pain progression
- Time to first cytotoxic chemotherapy
- Time to first SSE
- Safety

**Exploratory endpoints (significance testing does not apply)**

- PFS
- Time to PSA progression
- PSA response rate
- Time to first prostate cancer-related invasive procedure
- Time to initiation of subsequent antineoplastic therapy
- Time to ECOG performance status deterioration
- Quality of life

Primary results from ARAMIS have been published (Fizazi K, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2019;380:1235-1246).

ADT, androgen deprivation therapy; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; MFS, metastasis-free survival; nmCRPC, nonmetastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PSA, prostate-specific antigen; PSADT, prostate-specific antigen doubling time; SSE, symptomatic skeletal event.



# Baseline characteristics

Characteristic	Darolutamide (N=955)	Placebo (N=554)
Median age, years (range)	74 (48-95)	74 (50-92)
Median serum PSA (range), ng/mL	9.0 (0.3-858.3)	9.7 (1.5-885.2)
Median PSADT (range), months	4.4 (0.7-11.0)	4.7 (0.7-13.2)
≤6 months, n (%)	667 (70)	371 (67)
>6 months, n (%)	288 (30)	183 (33)
Use of bone-sparing agent, n (%)		
Yes	31 (3)	32 (6)
No	924 (97)	522 (94)
ECOG performance status, n (%)		
0	650 (68)	391 (71)
1	305 (32)	163 (29)
Prior hormonal therapy, n (%)		
1	177 (19)	103 (19)
≥2	727 (76)	420 (76)
Orchiectomy	51 (5)	31 (6)
Baseline lymph nodes by central imaging review, n (%)		
Yes	163 (17)	158 (29)
No	792 (83)	396 (71)

ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; PSA, prostate-specific antigen; PSADT, prostate-specific antigen doubling time.

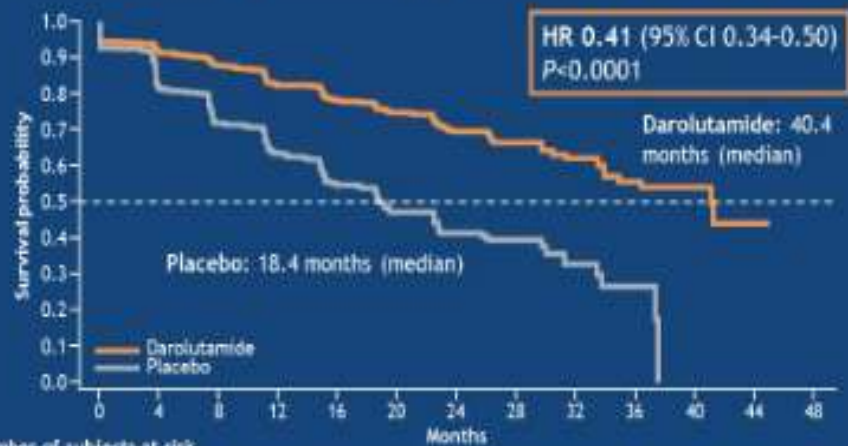




# Metastasis-free and overall survival

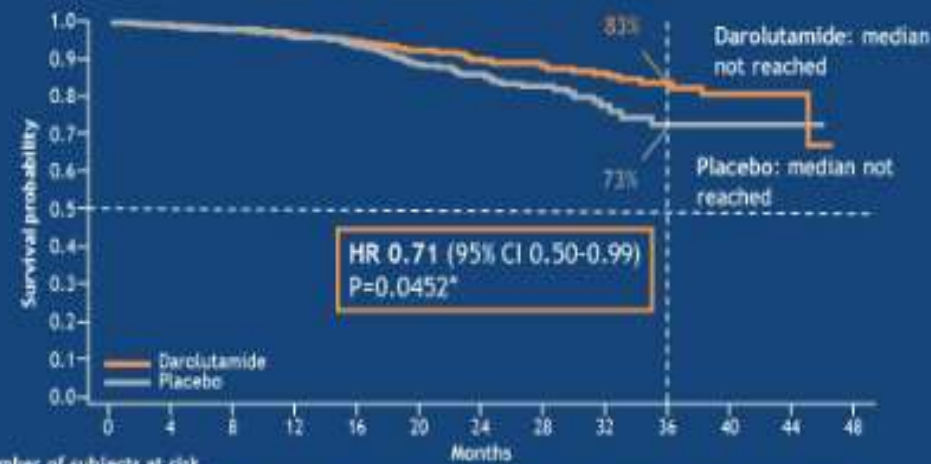
## Primary endpoint: Metastasis-free survival

59% risk reduction of distant metastases or death



## Secondary endpoint: Overall survival

29% risk reduction of death



Median follow-up time at primary analysis was 17.9 months

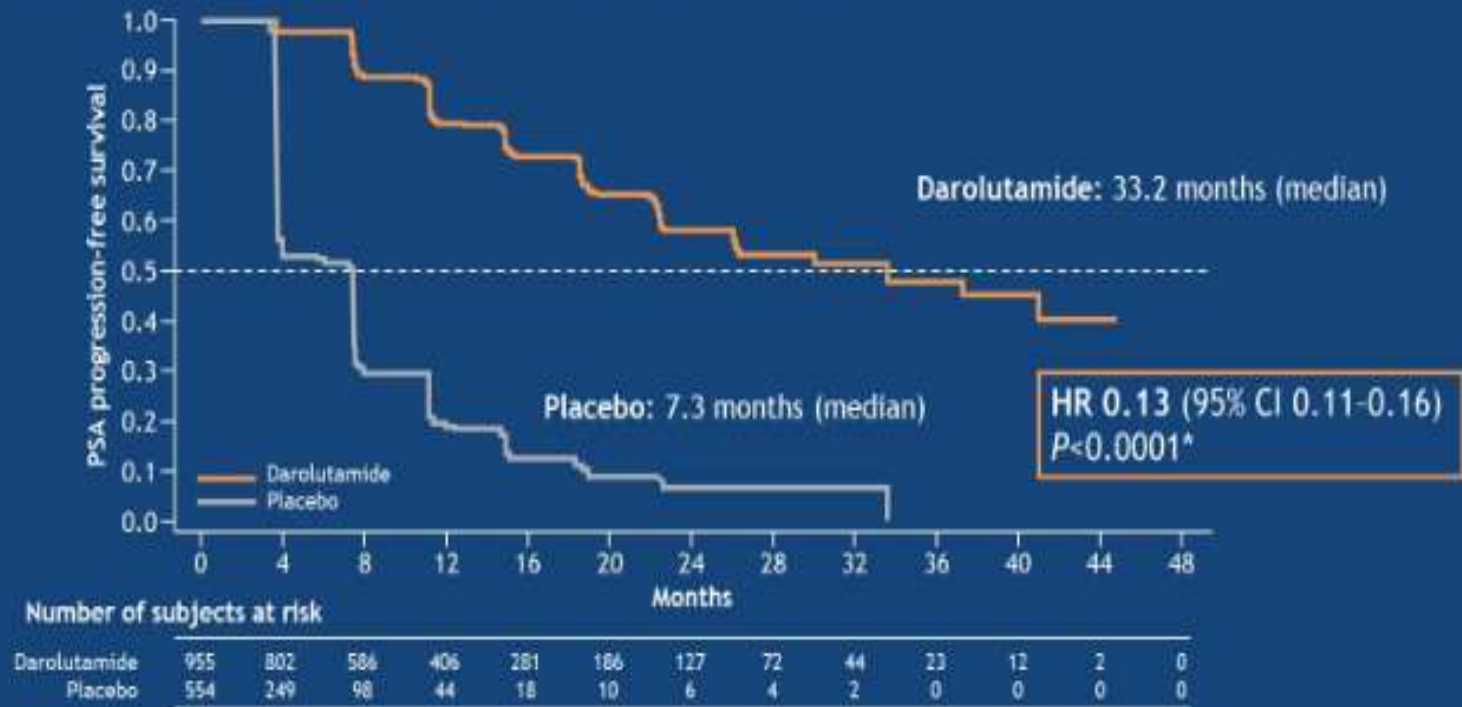
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# Exploratory endpoint: Time to PSA progression

## Darolutamide delayed time to PSA progression



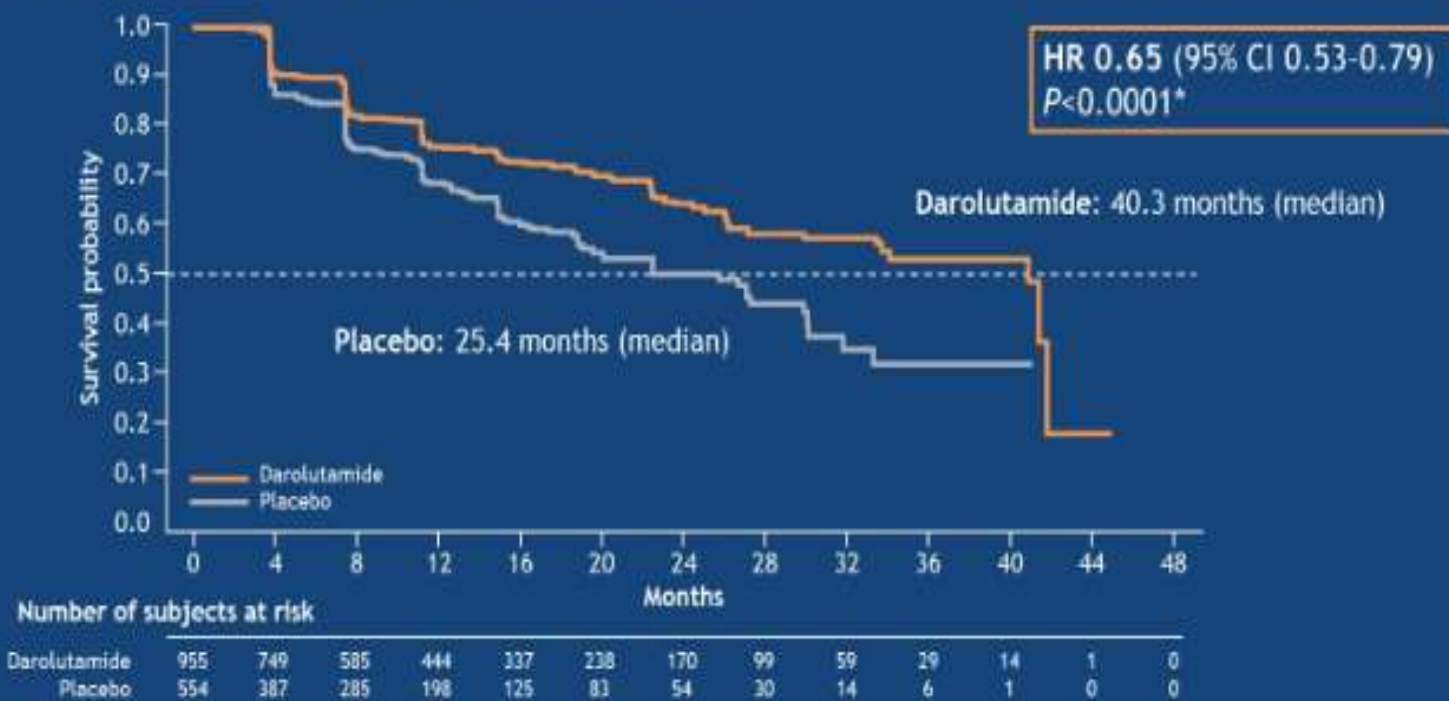
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# Secondary endpoint: Time to pain progression

35% risk reduction in progression of pain



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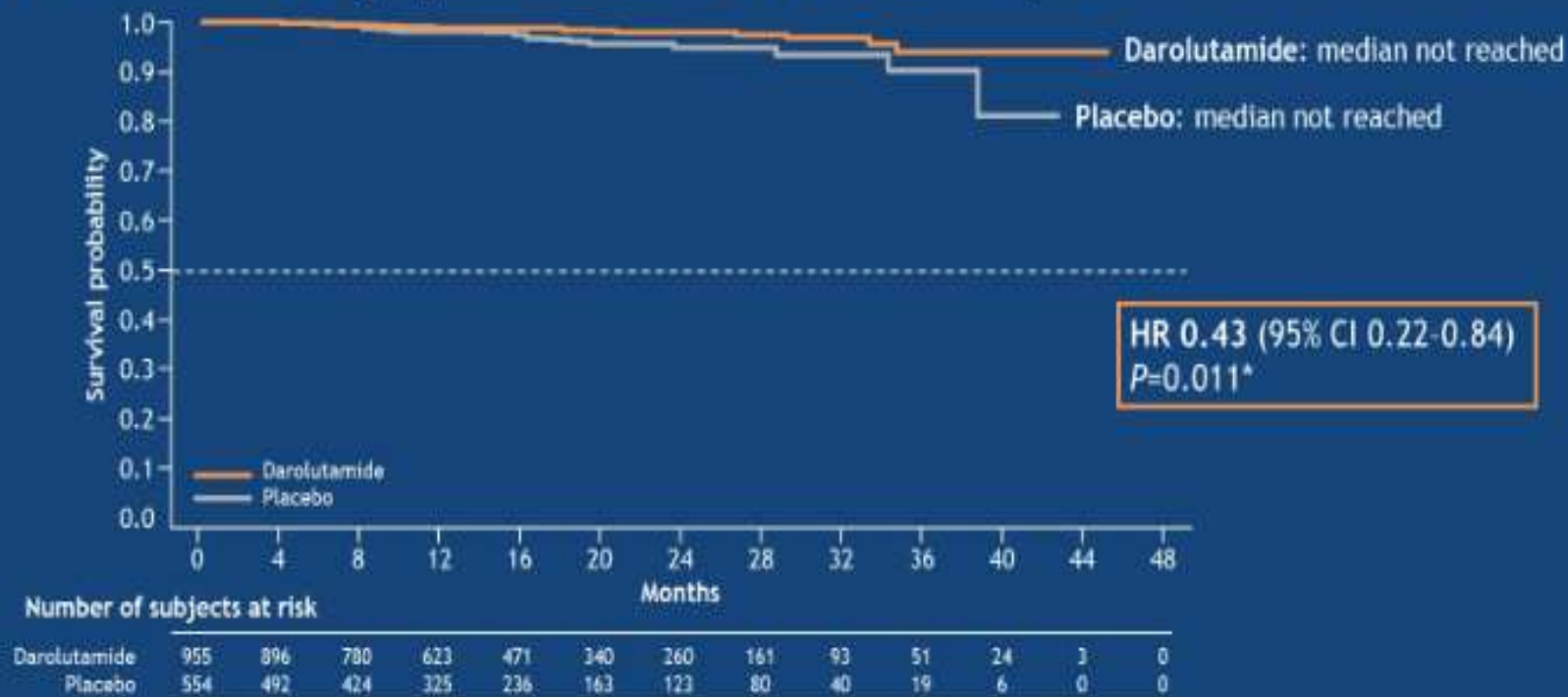
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# Secondary endpoint: Time to first SSE

57% risk reduction of symptomatic skeletal event development



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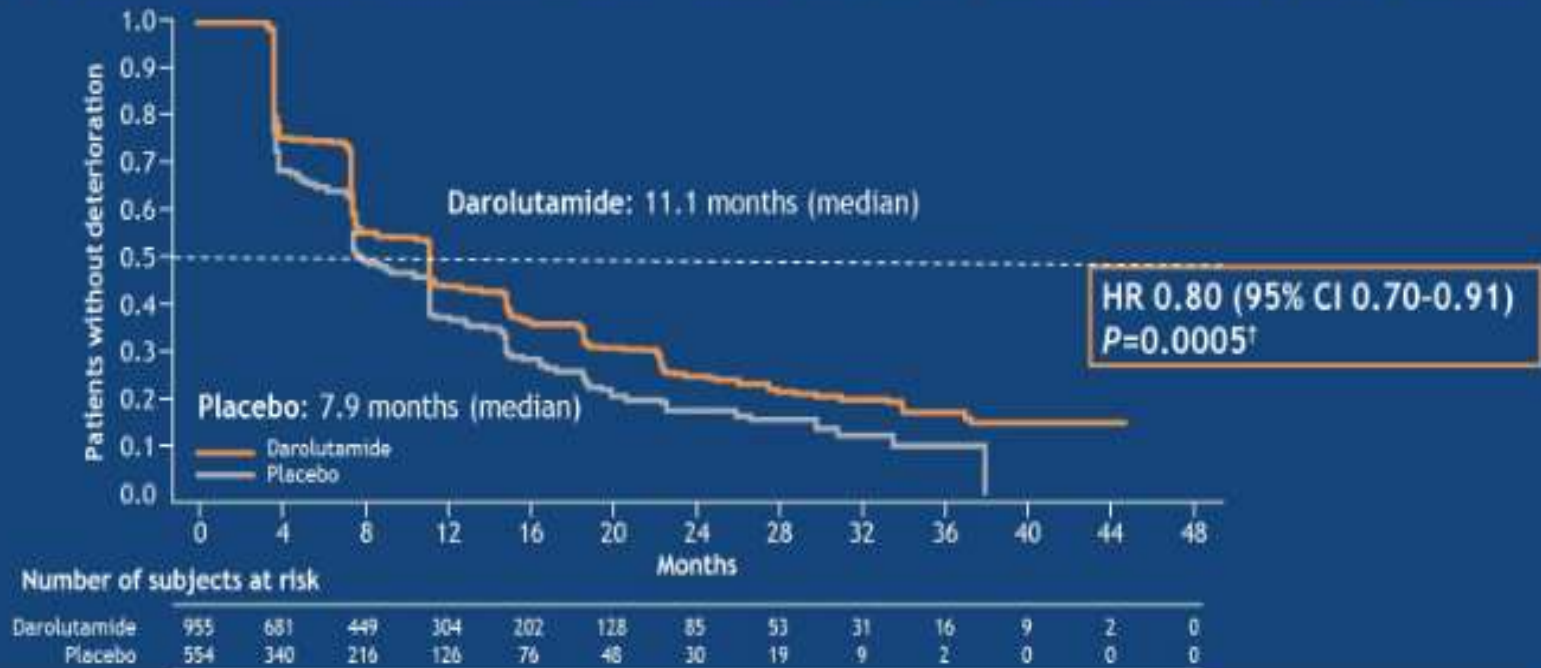
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# Exploratory endpoint: Time to deterioration of FACT-P PCS

Time to deterioration (unconfirmed)\* was longer for darolutamide than placebo



- Least-squares mean difference in scores over the study period favored darolutamide<sup>1</sup>

\*Time to deterioration was defined as time from randomization to date of  $\geq 3$  point decline in FACT-P PCS score from baseline. <sup>†</sup>P value calculation was for descriptive purposes only.

1. Fizazi K, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2019;380:1235-1246. CI, confidence interval; FACT-P PCS, Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy-Prostate, prostate cancer subscale; HR, hazard ratio.



# Updated results from a randomized phase II study of cabazitaxel versus abiraterone or enzalutamide in poor prognosis metastatic CRPC

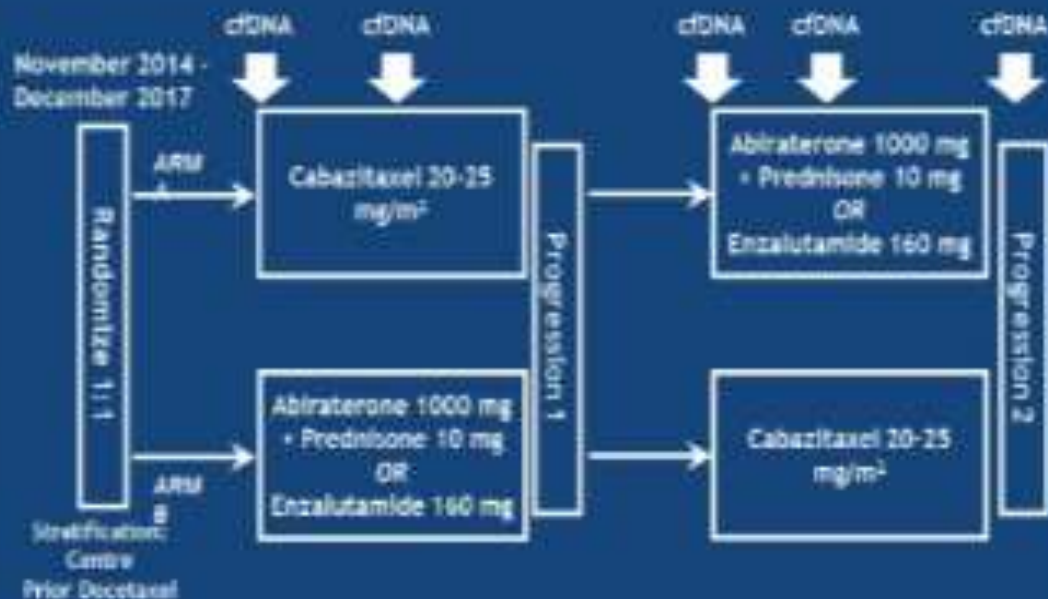
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# Study Schema

- mCRPC with poor prognosis
- Liver metastases
- CRPC within 12 months of ADT for metastatic disease
- Presence of ≥4 of:
  - LDH > ULN
  - ECOG PS ≥ 2
  - Visceral metastases
  - Albumin < 4 g/dl
  - ALK PHOS > ULN
  - < 36 months from ADT



- Primary Objective**
- Clinical Benefit Rate
  - PSA decline ≥ 50%
  - Measurable disease response
  - Stable disease > 12 weeks
- Other Objectives**
- Time to progression
  - Progression free survival
  - Overall survival
  - Response and survival after second-line therapy
  - cdDNA correlatives with outcomes

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- A planned accrual of 120 patients (60 per arm) to detect a an absolute difference of 20% in CBR
- Due to slow accrual and changes in treatment standards, the trial was closed after 95 patients had been accrued

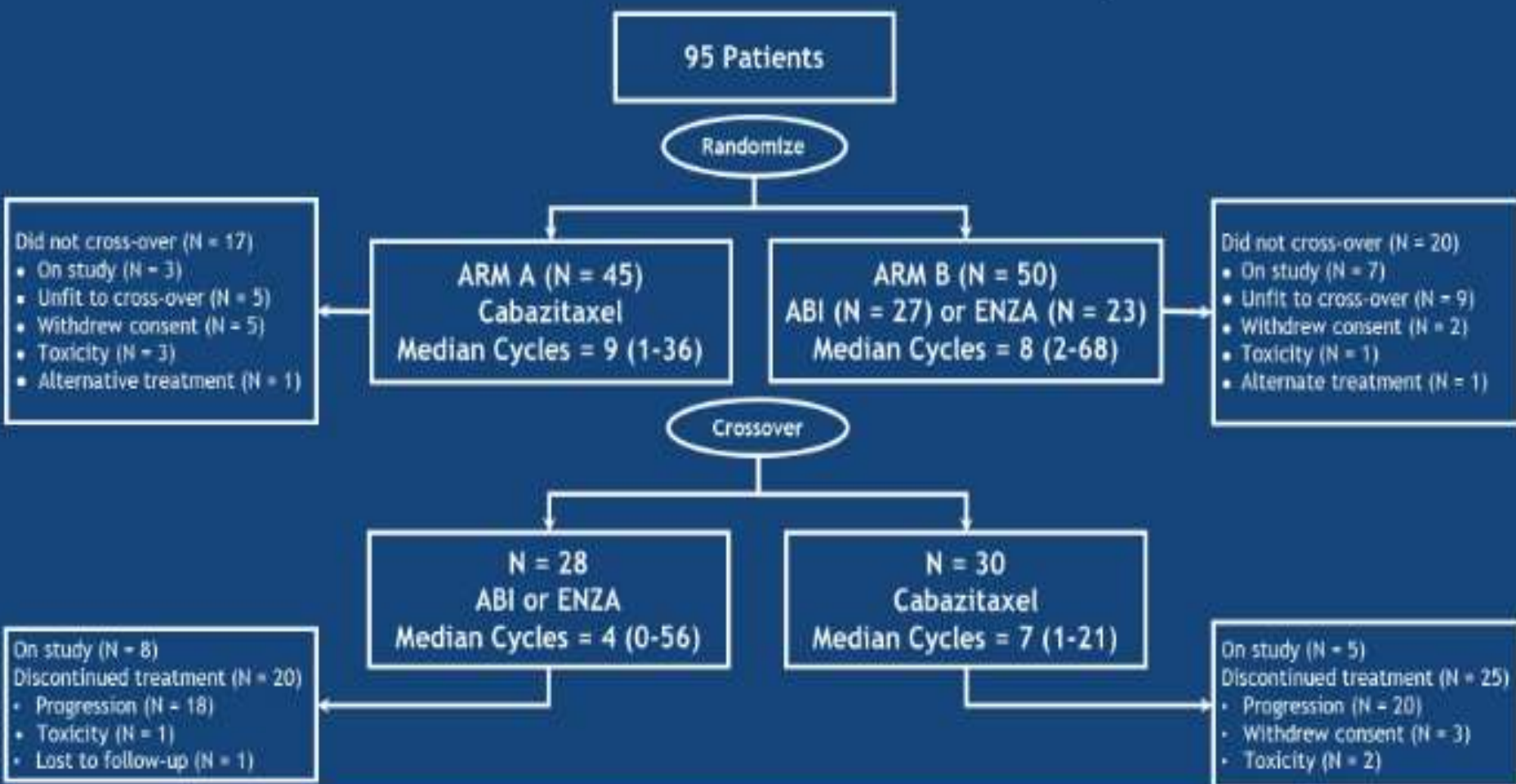


# Results: Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	Cabazitaxel N = 45	Abiraterone or Enzalutamide N = 50
Median Age, years (range)	67 (45 - 81)	67 (47 - 85)
Poor Prognosis Criteria		
Liver Metastases	5 / 45 (11%)	12 / 50 (24%)
CRPC within 12 months	41 / 45 (91%)	42 / 50 (84%)
≥4 Prognostic Criteria	9 / 45 (20%)	13 / 50 (26%)
ECOG Performance Status		
0-1	41 / 45 (91%)	48 / 50 (96%)
2	4 / 45 (9%)	2 / 50 (4%)
Median PSA, µg/L (range)	18.7 (1.9 - 315)	39.4 (2.7 - 4765)
Median Hemoglobin, g/L (range)	128 (92 - 149)	131 (91 - 156)
Alkaline Phosphatase > ULN	23 / 44 (52%)	26 / 50 (52%)
LDH > ULN	16 / 44 (36%)	25 / 50 (50%)
Site of Metastases		
Lymph Node	23 / 45 (51%)	35 / 50 (70%)
Bone	36 / 45 (80%)	44 / 50 (88%)
Visceral	13 / 45 (29%)	19 / 50 (38%)
Prior Docetaxel		
No	21 (47%)	23 (46%)
Yes For CSPC	13 (29%)	12 (24%)
Yes For CRPC	11 (24%)	15 (30%)



# Treatment Delivered and Patient Disposition





# Related Adverse Events on 1st-line Treatment (Grade $\geq 3$ )

	Arm A (1st-line CAB) N = 44	Arm B (1st-line ABI/ENZ) N = 50
<b>Any grade <math>\geq 3</math> adverse event</b>	<b>21 (48%)</b>	<b>3 (6%)</b>
Neutropenia	14 (32%)	0 (0%)
Diarrhea	4 (9%)	0 (0%)
Infection	3 (7%)	0 (0%)
Fatigue	3 (7%)	1 (2%)
Hematuria	2 (5%)	0 (0%)
Dehydration	2 (5%)	0 (0%)
Sepsis	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Anemia	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Anorexia	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Cataract	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Myalgia	0 (0%)	1 (2%)
Infusion related reaction	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
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Other	1 (2%)	1 (2%)



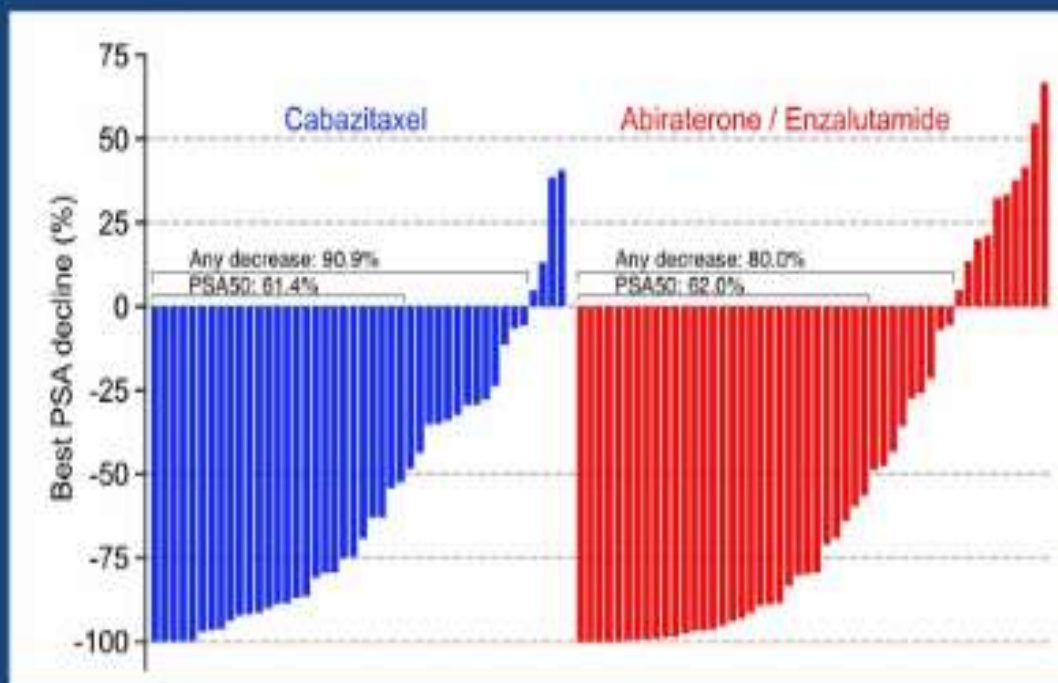
# Primary Endpoint: Clinical Benefit Rate

	Arm A 1st-line Cabazitaxel	Arm B 1st-line ABI/ENZ	P-value
<b>Clinical Benefit Rate</b>	<b>38 / 43 (88.4%)</b>	<b>35 / 50 (70.0%)</b>	<b>0.043</b>
PSA Decline $\geq$ 50%	27 / 44 (61.4%)	31 / 50 (62.0%)	1.000
Measurable disease response (PR, CR)	5 / 22 (22.7%)	4 / 23 (17.4%)	0.722
Stable disease >12 weeks*	11 / 43 (25.6%)	4 / 50 (8.0%)	0.026

\*No PSA, objective or clinical progression for >12 weeks as best response  
Clinical Benefit Rate: PSA decline  $\geq$  50%, CR/PR, or stable disease > 12 weeks



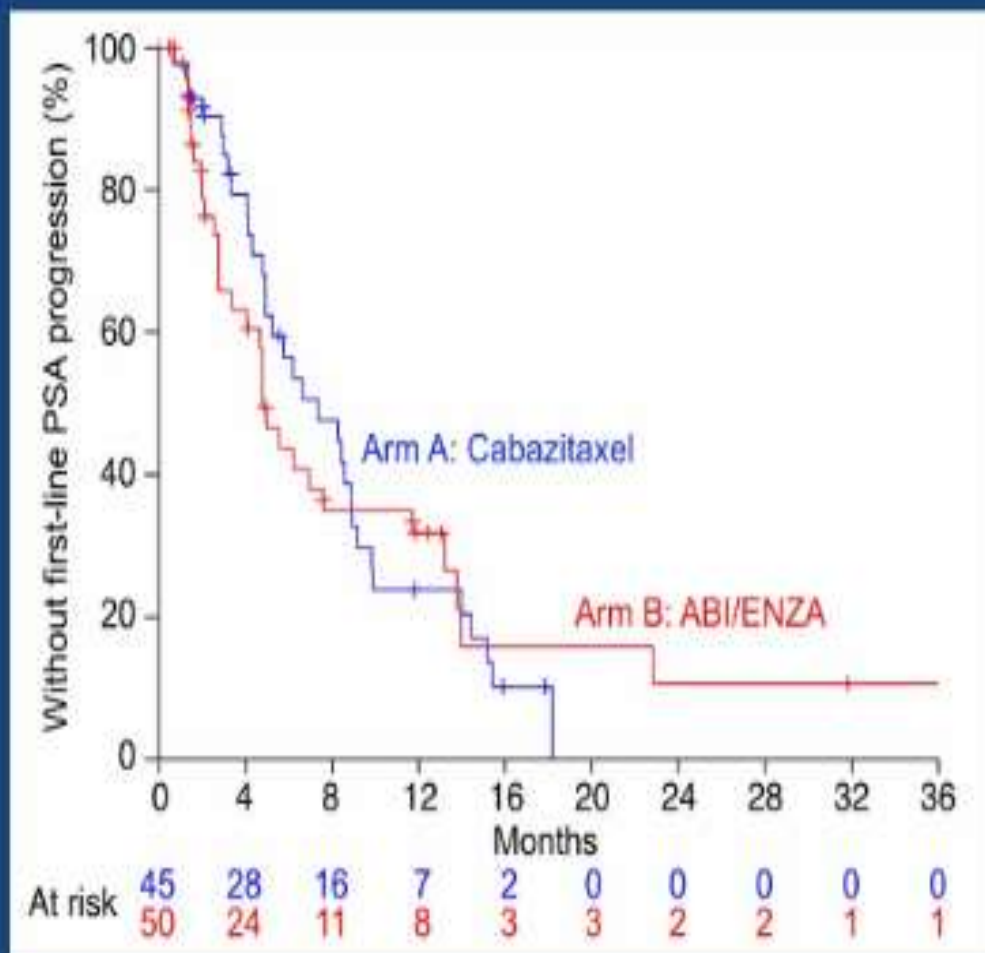
# PSA response to first-line treatment



	Arm A 1st-line Cabazitaxel	Arm B 1st-line ABI/ENZ	P-value
PSA Decline $\geq$ 30%	33 / 44 (75.0%)	35 / 50 (70.0%)	0.649
PSA Decline $\geq$ 50%	27 / 44 (61.4%)	31 / 50 (62.0%)	1.000
No PSA Decline	4 / 44 (9.1%)	10 / 50 (20.0%)	0.159



# Time to first-line PSA Progression



	Median (95% CI) Months	HR (95% CI)
Arm A (1st-line CABA)	7.4 (4.9 - 9.1)	0.94 (0.57 - 1.56) p = 0.821
Arm B (1st-line ABI/ENZA)	4.7 (3.4 - 13.2)	



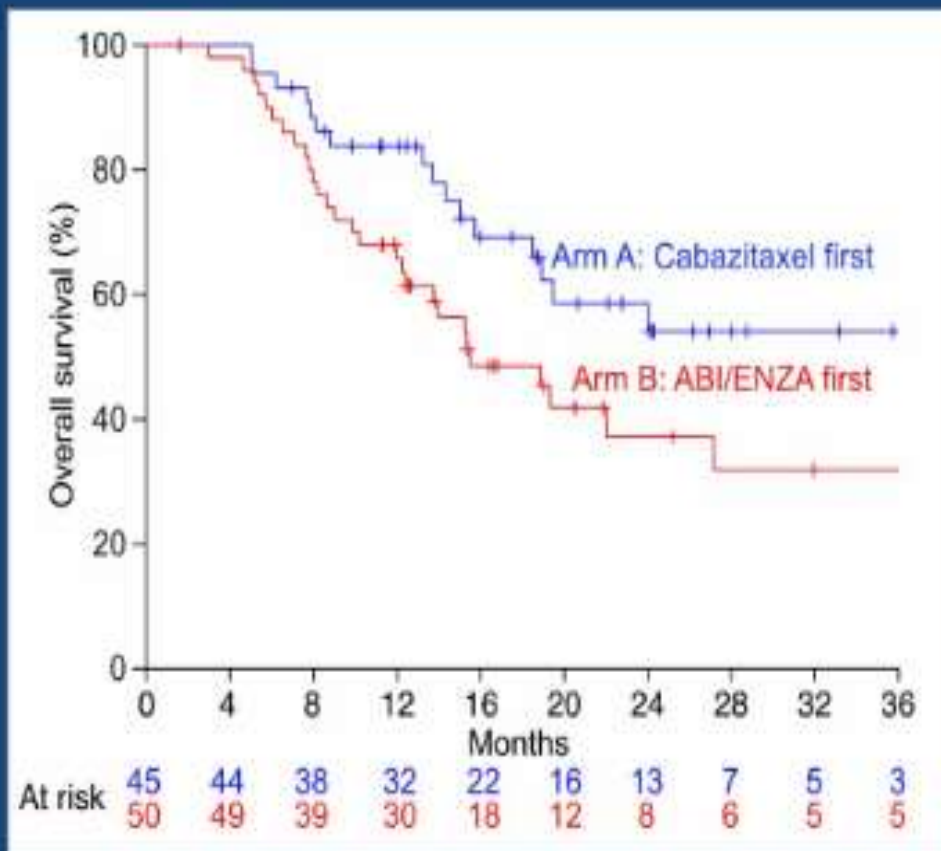
# Clinical Benefit Rate: 2nd Line Therapy

	Arm A 2nd Line ABI/ENZA	Arm B 2nd Line Cabazitaxel	P-value
<b>Clinical Benefit Rate</b>	<b>17 / 23 (73.9%)</b>	<b>17 / 27 (63.0%)</b>	<b>0.546</b>
PSA Decline $\geq$ 50%	12 / 25 (48.0%)	12 / 29 (41.4%)	0.784
Measurable disease response (PR, CR)	0 / 9 (0.0%)	2 / 10 (20.0%)	0.474
Stable disease >12 weeks*	5 / 23 (21.7%)	5 / 27 (18.5%)	1.000

\*No PSA, objective or clinical progression for >12 weeks as best response  
Clinical Benefit Rate: PSA decline  $\geq$  50%, CR/PR, or stable disease > 12 weeks



# Overall Survival



	Median (95% CI) Months	Unadjusted Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Adjusted* Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
Arm A (CABA first)	37.0 (18.9 - NR)	0.57 (0.31 - 1.03) p = 0.06	0.77 (0.41 - 1.44) p = 0.410
Arm B (ABI/ENZA first)	15.5 (12.4 - NR)		

\*Hazard ratio adjusted using a multivariate model including LDH, ALP, ECOG performance status, and presence of visceral metastases as variables.



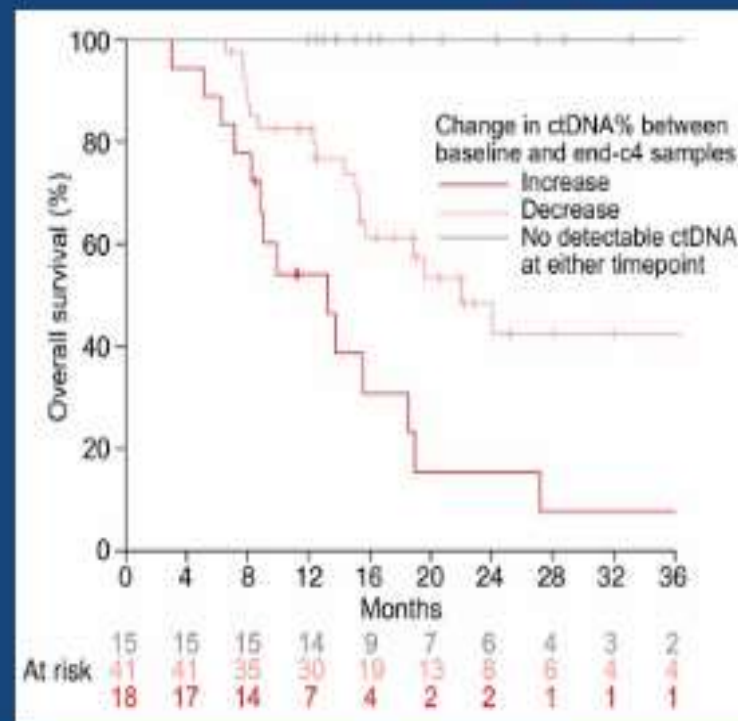
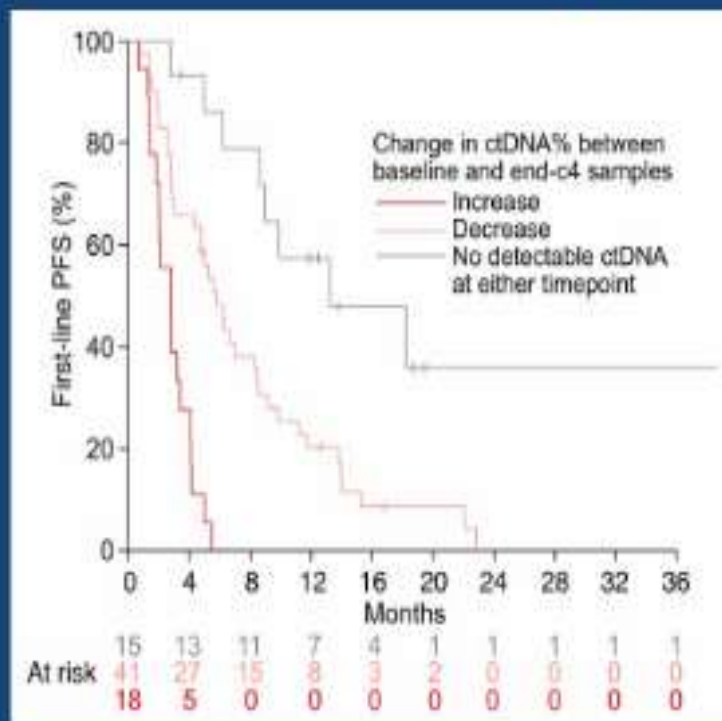
# cell-free DNA

- Targeted sequencing
  - Plasma cfDNA and germline (matched leukocyte DNA)
  - 73 CRPC-related genes (all exons) including <sup>1,2</sup>
    - Prostate cancer drivers (e.g. AR, SPOP, NKX3.1, FOXA1)
    - Cell cycle (e.g. TP53, RB1, CDKN1B, CDKN2A)
    - DNA repair (e.g. BRCA1/2, FANC family genes, ATM, MSH2/6)
    - PI3K pathway (e.g. PIK3CA, PTEN, AKT1)
- AR gene sequencing (exons, introns, flanking regions) to detect AR gene rearrangements
- ctDNA fractions (ctDNA/cfDNA) were estimated based on the allele fractions of autosomal somatic mutations

<sup>1</sup>AW Wyatt, et al. J Natl Cancer Inst, 110(1): 78–86, 2018; <sup>2</sup>M Annala, et al. Cancer Discov, 8:1–14, 2018



# On-treatment change in ctDNA fraction is prognostic



	First-line PFS		Overall survival	
	Median (months)	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	Median (months)	Hazard ratio (95% CI)
ctDNA% increase	2.8	3.99 (2.03 - 7.84) p < 0.001	13.2	2.72 (1.34 - 5.50) p = 0.006
ctDNA% decrease	5.8		22.0	
No detectable ctDNA	13.2	-	Not reached	-



# TAXOMET : A French prospective multicentric randomized controlled phase II study comparing docetaxel plus metformin versus docetaxel plus placebo in mCRPC

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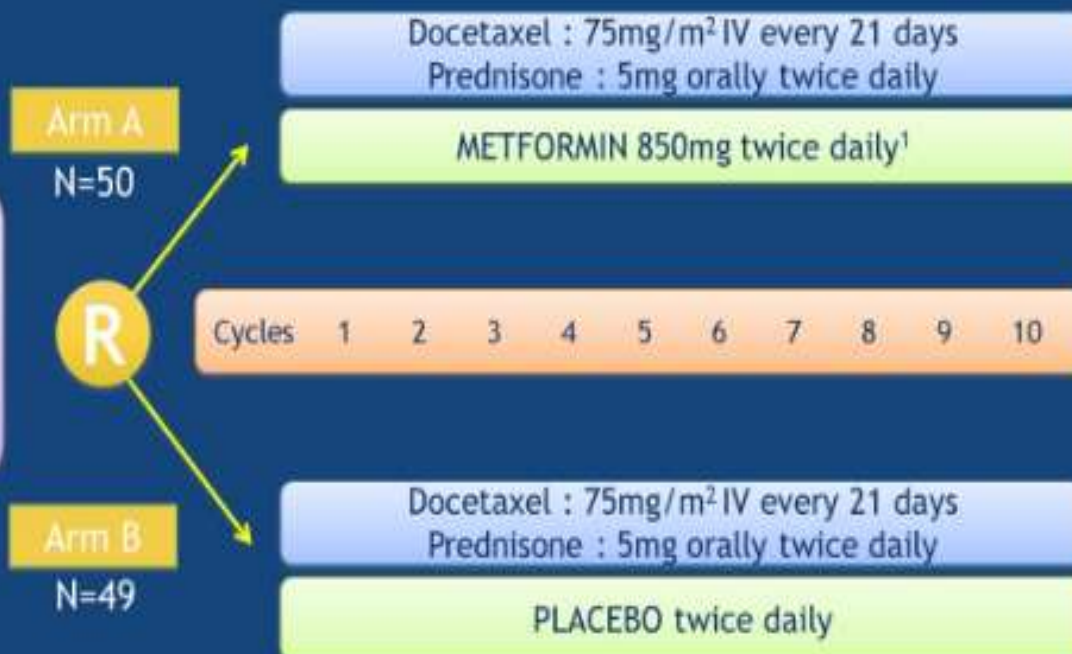
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# TAXOMET Study Design

**Main Inclusion crit.:**  
 -mCRPC chemo- and metformin-naïve  
 -Non-diabetic pts  
 -PS ECOG 0-1



Primary endpoint :  
 PSA response  $\geq$  50%

Secondary endpoints :  
 PFS, OS, Safety

Follow-up after treatment  
 - Every 3mo the first year  
 - Every 6mo the next 2 years

Whenever docetaxel was definitely interrupted, Metformin or Placebo had to be discontinued

<sup>1</sup>Kordes S and al. Lancet oncol 2015

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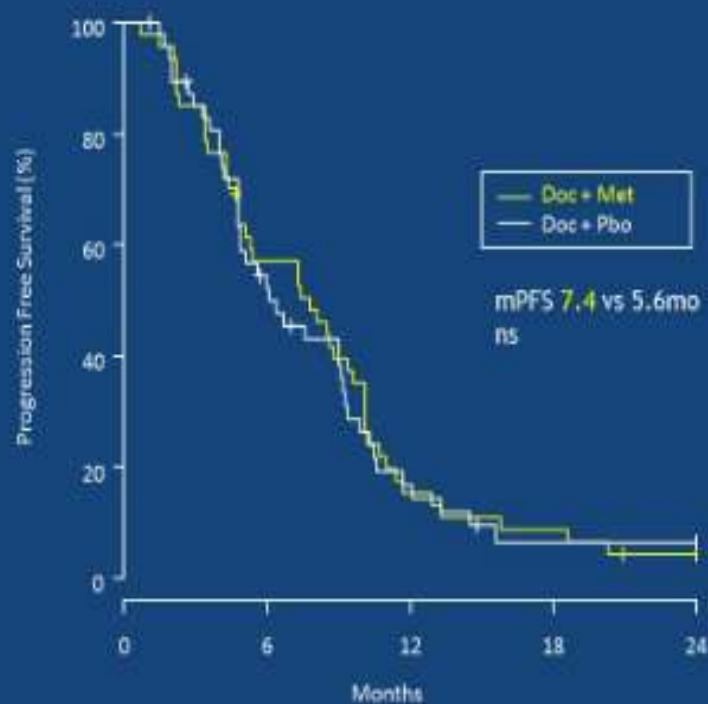
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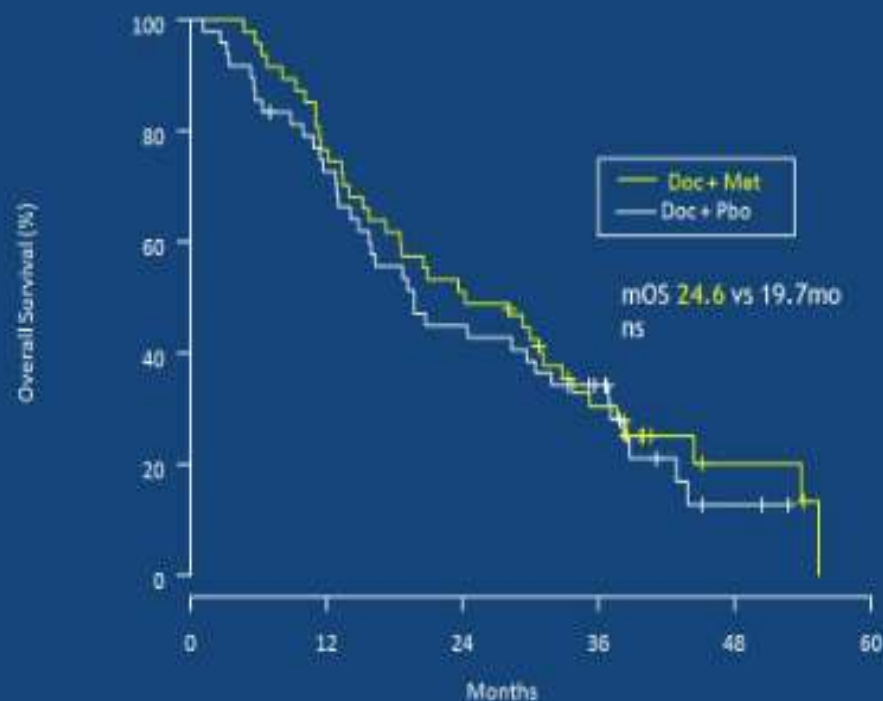
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## Secondary end-points

- Progression free-survival



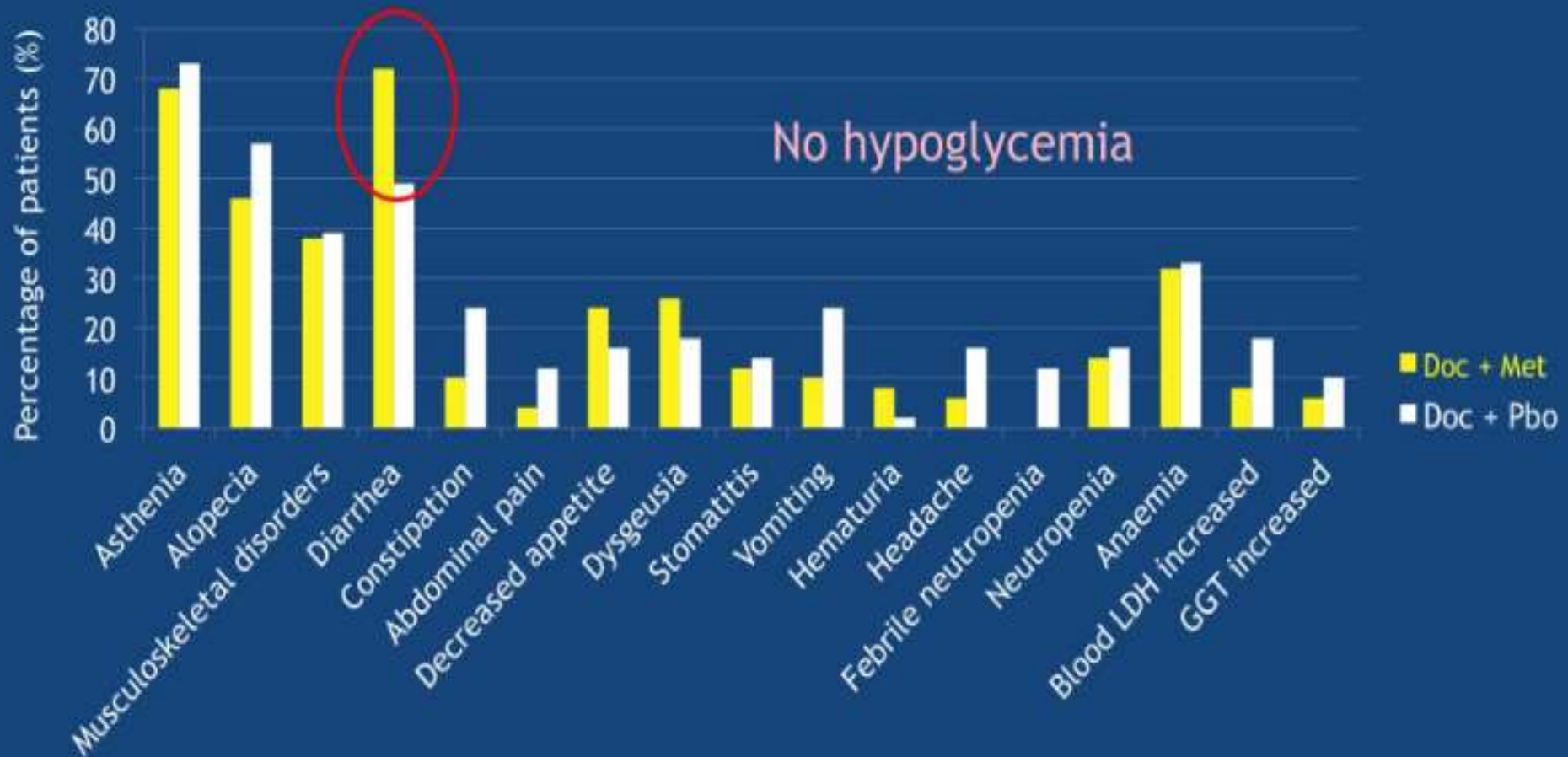
- Overall survival



Median (range) follow-up : 41.1mo (38.5-54.1)



# Adverse Events (all grades), incidence $\geq 5\%$





# A multicentric phase II randomized trial of docetaxel plus enzalutamide versus docetaxel as first line chemotherapy for patients with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer – CHEIRON study.

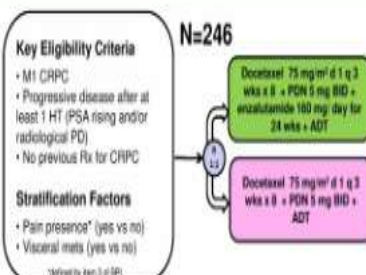
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## BACKGROUND

Today docetaxel (DOC) and enzalutamide (ENZ) represent two standard treatments for first line management of patients with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC). They exert their anticancer activity by different mechanisms: ENZ impairs androgen receptor machinery at three different levels (it binds androgen receptors, prevents their nuclear translocation and inhibits coactivator recruitment of the ligand-receptor complex); DOC, producing a microtubule-stabilization, is able to alter signaling from the androgen receptor by inhibiting its nuclear accumulation downstream of microtubule stabilization, providing a clear connection between the microtubule-dependent trafficking of the androgen receptor and the clinical efficacy of DOC. On these bases, it could be postulated that the administration of enzalutamide during a DOC-based chemotherapy could improve disease control.

## STUDY DESIGN



### Primary endpoint

• Rate of pts without progression (according to PCWG2) at 6 mos after DOC first administration (end of treatment)

### Secondary endpoints

• ORR  
• OS  
• bRR  
• Safety  
• PFS  
• Pain (BPI)  
• rPFS  
• QoL (FACT-P)

### Statistical Design

• Target of 232 pts provides 80% power to detect a target difference in PD-free rate of 15% (50% vs 65%) with an  $\alpha$ -error of 0.10

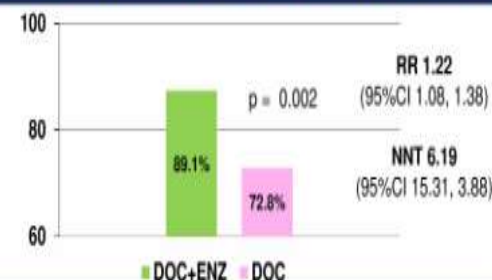
## PATIENTS CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	DOC + ENZ + ADT (n= 120)	DOC + ADT (n = 126)
Median age (range), y	70 (52-88)	72 (44-84)
ECOG PS, no. (%)		
0-1	116 (97%)	122 (97%)
2	4 (3%)	4 (3%)
Baseline pain presence, no (%)		
No	93 (78%)	99 (79%)
Yes	27 (22%)	27 (21%)
Baseline visceral metastases presence, no (%)		
No	94 (78%)	93 (74%)
Yes	26 (22%)	33 (26%)
Median serum PSA (range), ng/ml	25.9 (0.3-1,360)	30.5 (0.2-5,000)

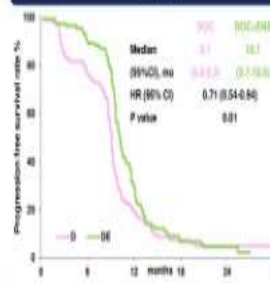
## GRADE $\geq 3$ AE OCCURRING IN $\geq 5\%$ OF PATIENTS

Event, No. (%)	DOC + ENZ + ADT	DOC + ADT
Neutropenia	19 (15.8%)	15 (11.9%)
Fatigue	15 (12.5%)	7 (5.6%)
Leukopenia	10 (8.3%)	15 (11.9%)
Febrile neutropenia	10 (8.3%)	7 (5.6%)
Other skin toxicities	7 (5.8%)	2 (1.6%)
Skin rash	6 (5.0%)	2 (1.6%)

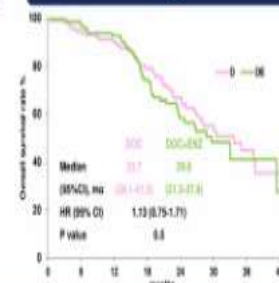
## PD-FREE PATIENTS RATE AT 6 MOS AFTER D START



## PFS



## OS



## CONCLUSIONS

This is the first randomized phase II trial testing the combination of docetaxel with an ARTA. Although control arm DCR was higher than expected, the trial met its primary endpoint. Our results showed that the combination: 1) is feasible and safe (although slightly higher than docetaxel alone); 2) provides a better disease control compared to docetaxel alone; 3) does not improve OS (immature data).

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# 18F-Fluciclovine and 68Ga-PSMA-11 PET/CT in patients with biochemical recurrence after prostatectomy at PSA levels of $\leq 2.0$ ng/ml: a prospective, single-arm, comparative imaging trial

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## STUDY DESIGN AND METHODS

- Background:** Two PET/CT imaging tests for detection and localization of prostate cancer (PCa) tumor sites in patients with biochemical recurrence (BCR) have been introduced recently. 18F-Fluciclovine PET/CT (FACBC), targeting the upregulated amino acid transporter activity (LAT1) and PSMA PET/CT (targeting the overexpression of the transmembrane Prostate Specific Membrane Antigen) via its extra-cellular part. It is unknown which test performs better, especially in patients with BCR at low PSA levels ( $\leq 2.0$  ng/ml). The aim of this study was to compare these 2 tests head-to-head and prospectively.
- Study design:** Prospective, single-center, open-label, single-arm comparative imaging trial using external, anonymized, blinded and independent interpretations of consecutive paired FACBC and PSMA PET/CT studies (IND131045, clinicaltrials.gov identifier NCT02040262, UCLA IRB17-00188).
- Primary Endpoint:**
  - Detection rates (=positivity rates) on per-patient and per-region based analysis
- Secondary Endpoints:**
  - Specificity and positive predictive value verified by histopathology, clinical and imaging follow-up.
  - Inter-reader agreement
- Population:** Patients with PCa BCR and PSA levels ranging from 0.2 to 2.0 ng/ml, without any prior salvage therapy (i.e. salvage radiotherapy and/or salvage lymph node (LN) dissection) were eligible irrespective of prior conventional imaging findings and underwent FACBC and PSMA scans within 15 days.
- Hypothesis – Statistical Power analysis:** Based on literature data we hypothesized a detection rate difference of 22% in favor of PSMA in this population. A sample size of 50 patients (one-sided McNamee exact conditional test) provides >80% power assuming a one-sided alpha of 0.05.
- Outcomes:** FACBC PET/CT scans were each interpreted by 3 independent experts:
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 PSMA PET/CT scans were each interpreted by 3 independent experts:
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 The readers were not involved in study design and data acquisition. Each reader was blinded for the interpretations of the 5 other readers. In cases of reader disagreement, consensus majority rule (2/3) was applied. All patients were followed for subsequent biopsies, imaging studies, PSA measures and disease management. Treatment decisions were not standardized and made at the discretion of the referring physician based on all available clinical information, including the non-blinded local reports of both PET scans and any other imaging findings.

**Time interval (median)**  
FACBC before PSMA: 28 (38%)  
FACBC with IV CT contrast: 35 (70%)  
FACBC injected activity (median): 181 MBq (QR 159-402)  
FACBC uptake time (median): 2 min (QR 1-3)  
PSMA before FACBC: 21 (42%)  
PSMA with IV CT contrast: 48 (96%)  
PSMA injected activity (median): 200 MBq (QR 192-204)  
PSMA uptake time (median): 61 min (QR 57-66)

**Patients Characteristics**  
Age (median): 68 y (QR 58-74)  
NCCN Risk group:  
Intermediate: 17 (34%)  
High: 14 (28%)  
Very High: 5 (10%)  
NI: 11 (22%)  
NA: 3 (6%)  
Pelvic LN Dissection: 43 (86%)  
Margin RT: 12 (24%)  
Adjuvant RT: 19 (38%)  
Adjuvant ADT: 12 (24%)  
PSA persistence: 38 (76%)  
PSA recurrence: 7 (14%)  
Time RT to PET (median): 3 years (QR 1-8)  
Last PSA before PET (median): 0.48 ng/ml (QR 0.38-0.84)  
PSA doubling time (median): 4 months (QR 3-5)  
PSA velocity (median): 0.3 ng/ml/yr (QR 0.1-1.1)

## RESULTS

**DISCORDANT CASE: T0 N1 M0 - FACBC False Negative / PSMA True Positive**  
75 y/o man with a PSA of 0.37 ng/ml. High PSMA uptake in a single lesion left external iliac LN (SUVmax 6.6, Panel D,E,F, yellow arrows) without visible increased FACBC uptake (Panel A,B,C, blue arrows). Patient underwent lymph node dissection and histopathology confirmed metastatic prostate adenocarcinoma. PSMA was read as positive (3/3 readers positive) whereas FACBC was read as negative (1/3 readers); note the high muscle background FACBC signal (Panel C).

Paired PET/CT findings		FACBC		PSMA		n (%)		Cancer Confirmed	
Equal false negative (n=18)	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	18 (36%)	3	3	3
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
Equal positive detection per-patient (n=6)	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	3	3	3
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
FACBC superior detection per-patient (n=6)	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	3	3	3
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
PSMA superior detection per-patient (n=15)	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	3	3	3
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		
	T0 N0 M0	7	10	7	10	3 (6%)	0		

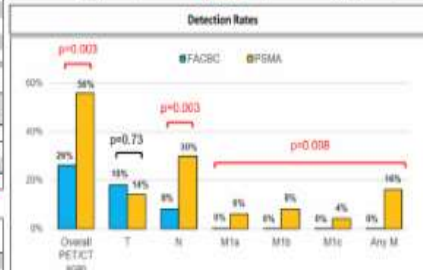
Semi-quantitative Analysis in Patients with Concordant lesions (n=7)		FACBC		PSMA		n (%)		Lesion Validation Pop. (n=15)	
Concordant Lesion	n	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	n	%
	n	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax	Lesion SUVmax		
Pelvic LN (N)	4	3.13	0.50	2.18	3.80	5.60	0.94	4	11.03
	4	4.17	0.55	2.71	3.73	10.18	2.34		
Prostate focus (F)	4	4.17	0.55	2.71	3.73	10.18	2.34	4	54.67
	4	4.17	0.55	2.71	3.73	10.18	2.34		
All concordant lesions	7	3.73	0.52	2.44	3.69	8.21	1.68	7	35.39
	7	3.73	0.52	2.44	3.69	8.21	1.68		

**Treatment Management after PET (median follow-up 8 months (QR 7-9))**  
Metastasis Surgery: 3 (6%)  
Metastasis SRT: 2 (4%)  
Prostate Focal SRT: 4 (8%)  
Prostate Focal SRT + Whole-Pelvic LN RT: 1 (2%)  
Prostate Focal SRT + Whole-Pelvic LN RT + Metastasis SRT: 1 (2%)  
ADT: 7 (14%)  
ADT + Androgen: 2 (4%)  
ADT + Prostate Focal SRT: 10 (20%)  
ADT + Prostate Focal SRT + Metastasis SRT: 3 (6%)  
ADT + Prostate Focal SRT + Whole-Pelvic LN RT: 2 (4%)  
ADT + Prostate Focal SRT + Whole-Pelvic LN RT + Metastasis SRT: 3 (6%)  
ADT + Prostate Focal SRT + Whole-Pelvic LN RT + Metastasis SRT + Androgen: 3 (6%)  
ADT + Metastasis SRT: 3 (6%)  
Surveillance: 8 (16%)

## RESULTS

**CONCORDANT CASE: T0 N1 M0 - FACBC Positive / PSMA Positive**  
65 y/o man with a PSA of 0.38 ng/ml. High PSMA expression in a single 5 mm left obturator foramen LN (SUVmax 10.8, Panel D,E,F, yellow arrow) with increased FACBC uptake (SUVmax 4.1, Panel A,B,C, blue arrow). Patient was treated with ADT, SRT to the prostate bed and the whole pelvis with a dose boost to the PET-positive LN. PSA became undetectable. Both scans were read as positive by the readers (1/3 FACBC readers, 2/3 PSMA readers).

Per region									
T		N		M1a					
FACBC neg. pos.		FACBC neg. pos.		FACBC neg. pos.					
PSMA neg.	38 5	PSMA neg.	34 1	PSMA neg.	47 0			PSMA neg.	
PSMA pos.	3 4	PSMA pos.	11 3	PSMA pos.	3 0			PSMA pos.	
n=0.73				n=0.0034		n=0.75			



Inter-reader agreement - Multi-rater Kappa (95% CI)		PSMA		FACBC		p	
Region	T	0.65 (0.49, 0.81)		0.43 (0.27, 0.59)		0.046	
		0.76 (0.40, 0.92)		0.05 (-0.11, 0.21)		<0.001	
M1a	M1a	0.60 (0.48, 0.76)		0.03 (-0.38, 0.44)		0.0025	
		0.46 (0.30, 0.62)		0.03 (-0.19, 0.25)		0.0025	
M1b	M1b	0.65 (0.48, 0.81)		0.03 (-0.17, 0.23)		0.0025	
		0.46 (0.30, 0.62)		0.03 (-0.17, 0.23)		0.0025	
Any M	Any M	0.60 (0.48, 0.76)		0.03 (-0.17, 0.23)		0.0025	
		0.46 (0.30, 0.62)		0.03 (-0.17, 0.23)		0.0025	

**DISCORDANT CASE: T0 N0 M1b - FACBC Positive / PSMA negative**  
62 y/o man with a PSA of 0.39 ng/ml. Focal increased FACBC uptake (SUVmax 5.8, Panel A,B, green cross) suspicious of focal recurrence without visible PSMA uptake (Panel C,D). Patient underwent salvage RT with ADT. PSA became undetectable. FACBC was read as positive (2/3 readers positive) whereas PSMA was read as negative (1/3 readers positive). Note the high FACBC bone marrow background activity (Panel E,F).

Contingency Tables						Per-patient					
M1b		M1c		Any M		Full Analysis Pop. (n=50)		Lesion Validation Pop. (n=15)			
FACBC neg.	FACBC pos.	FACBC neg.	FACBC pos.	FACBC neg.	FACBC pos.	FACBC neg.	FACBC pos.	FACBC neg.	FACBC pos.		
36	0	46	0	42	0	18	4	3	2		
4	0	2	0	0	0	19	9	7	3		
n=13		n=50		n=1079		n=10034		n=18			

To assess potential bias, a post-hoc analysis was performed and confirmed the differences among the 35 patients in whom both studies were performed with contrast-enhanced CT (31/35 (89% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 74%-99%]) vs 20/35 (57% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 40%-74%]); OR 4.6 [IC<sub>95%</sub> 1.08-22.1], p=0.035). Additionally, there was no significant difference between the detection rates of FACBC PET/CT performed with or without IV CT-contrast (11/15 (73% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 47%-93%]) vs 2/25 (8% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 0%-24%]), difference 18% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 10%-26%], p=0.29). A post-hoc analysis was performed by conducting multivariable mixed logistic regression models. The following variables were tested with the outcome of a positive PET scan: PET tracer (PSMA vs FACBC), on-going ADT, history of adjuvant ADT, history of adjuvant radiation treatment, NCCN risk group, PSA doubling time (higher vs lower than median), PSA velocity, FACBC uptake time (<3 vs >3 min) and FACBC with contrast-enhanced CT. The only significant predictor for test positivity was the PET tracer used (FACBC vs PSMA, OR 1.56-3.88; p=0.05). Neither FACBC uptake time (<3min vs >3 min), nor the administration of IV contrast for CT imaging were confounding factors.

In patients with PSA levels from 0.2 to 0.5 ng/ml, 0.5 to 1.0 ng/ml, and 1.0 to 2.0 ng/ml, detection rates were 7/26 (27% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 12%-42%]), 5/13 (38% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 16%-59%]), and 1/6 (17% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 0%-39%]) with FACBC and 12/26 (46% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 27%-67%]), 12/18 (67% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 41%-87%]) and 4/6 (67% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 22%-96%]) with PSMA, respectively. There was no statistically significant difference between these sub-groups.

PET findings were validated in 15/20 (75%) patients (1/13 with FACBC-positive (38%) and 10/26 with PSMA-positive (38%) findings). Reference standard included histopathology (n=6, follow-up imaging (n=7), and PSA decreases after PET-directed local therapy without ADT (n=2). No false positive findings occurred with either tracer in the 15 patients in whom lesions were verified (PPV of 100% for both FACBC and PSMA findings). Per-patient sensitivity was 33% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 15%-55%] (5 true positive/10 false negative) and 66% [IC<sub>95%</sub> 42%-85%] (10 true positive/5 false negative) for FACBC and for PSMA PET/CT, respectively (OR 3.5 [IC<sub>95%</sub> 0.67-34.5], p=0.18).

## CONCLUSION

- Due to higher lesion-to-background ratio, PSMA PET/CT demonstrates superior detection rates and reader agreement than FACBC PET/CT.
- Primary and secondary endpoints were met. PSMA PET/CT detection rates per-patient, for pelvic LN regions (N) and for extra-pelvic metastases (M) were more than twice as high than those for FACBC PET/CT.
- PSMA should be the PET agent of choice when PET/CT imaging is considered for subsequent treatment management decisions in patients with PCa and post-RT BCR at low PSA levels (<2.0 ng/ml) and should become the standard of care in these patients.
- Whether early detection of BCR sites by PET/CT imaging affects patient outcome is the subject of ongoing randomized phase 3 clinical trials (NCT03587774 and NCT01762756).

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## RESIST-PC phase 2 trial: $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA-617 radionuclide therapy for metastatic castrate-resistant prostate cancer.

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### Methods:

Patients with progressive mCRPC (biochemical, radiographic or clinical) after  $\geq 1$  novel androgen axis drug (NAAD), either chemotherapy (CTX) naïve or post-CTX, with sufficient bone marrow reserve and normal kidney function were eligible. All patients underwent a screening PSMA PET/CT to confirm target expression. Patients received up to 4 cycles of  $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA-617 every  $8 \pm 1$  weeks and were randomized into 2 treatment activities groups (6.0 or 7.4 GBq). Kidney dosimetry was performed for the first cycle. Efficacy was defined as serum PSA decline of  $\geq 50\%$  from baseline at 12 weeks and served as primary endpoint.

### Results:

64 patients (median PSA 75 ng/ml; range 0.5-2425) were included in the study. 20% were CTX naïve while 80% were post-CTX (1.9 CTX regimens on average, range 1-4). 45% completed 4 cycles of  $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA-617. Androgen deprivation therapy was given concomitantly in 83%, NAAD in 23% and immunotherapy in 6%. PSA decline of  $\geq 50\%$  was observed in 23% of patients at 12 weeks and in 38% of patients at any time (best PSA response). The median time to best PSA response was 22 weeks (range 6-49 weeks). 16% had a PSA decline of  $\geq 90\%$  and 59% had any PSA decline ( $> 0\%$ ). Mild and transient (CTCAE grade 1-2) side effects included xerostomia (72%), nausea/vomiting (69%) and bowel movement disorders (45%). CTCAE grade 3 toxicity included nausea/vomiting (6%), anemia (8%), leukopenia (5%), kidney failure (3%), thrombocytopenia (3%), and neutropenia (3%). The mean kidney dose was 2.7 Gy for the first cycle (range 0.9-5.9) i.e. 0.4 Gy/GBq (range 0.15-0.9). There was no difference between the efficacy and toxicity for the 6.0 GBq ( $n = 23$ ) and 7.4 GBq ( $n = 41$ ) treatment arms.



## Phase 1 study of pasotuxizumab (BAY 2010112), a PSMA-targeting Bispecific T cell Engager (BiTE) immunotherapy for metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC).

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### Methods:

NCT01723475 was a first-in-human, multicenter, dose-escalation study in patients (pts) with mCRPC refractory to standard therapy. Pts received pasotuxizumab as a continuous intravenous infusion in cohorts of 3–4 pts. Dose-escalation followed a continuous reassessment methodology design. The primary objective was to determine safety and maximum tolerated dose (MTD); secondary objectives included pharmacokinetics, biomarkers, and tumor response.

### Results:

16 pts were enrolled into 5 dosing cohorts (5 µg/d, n = 3; 10 µg/d, n = 4; 20 µg/d, n = 3; 40 µg/d, n = 4; 80 µg/d, n = 2). All pts had ≥1 AE of any grade; most common were fever (94%), chills (69%), and fatigue (50%). 13 pts (81%) had ≥1 AE of grade ≥3; most common were decreased lymphocytes and infections (both 44%). No grade 5 AE occurred. A serious AE related to study drug was reported for 1 pt (fatigue, 20 µg/d). No anti-drug antibodies were observed. Recruitment was stopped before MTD was reached to facilitate initiation of a new study sponsored by Amgen. Antitumor activity as indicated by PSA serum level decline was dose dependent, with a mean best PSA change per dosing cohort versus baseline of +0.74% (5 µg/d), -17.9% (10 µg/d), -37.4% (20 µg/d), -42.5% (40 µg/d) and -54.9% (80 µg/d). PSA decreases of ≥50% occurred in 3 pts (n = 1 each in 20 µg/d, 40 µg/d, and 80 µg/d cohorts). One long-term PSA responder was treated for 14 months (40 µg/d) and one for 19.4 months (80 µg/d). The latter pt showed a complete regression of soft-tissue metastases and marked regression of bone metastases as assessed by PSMA-PET/CT, > 90% reduction in PSA and alkaline phosphatase, and a significant and durable improvement in disease related symptoms.









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