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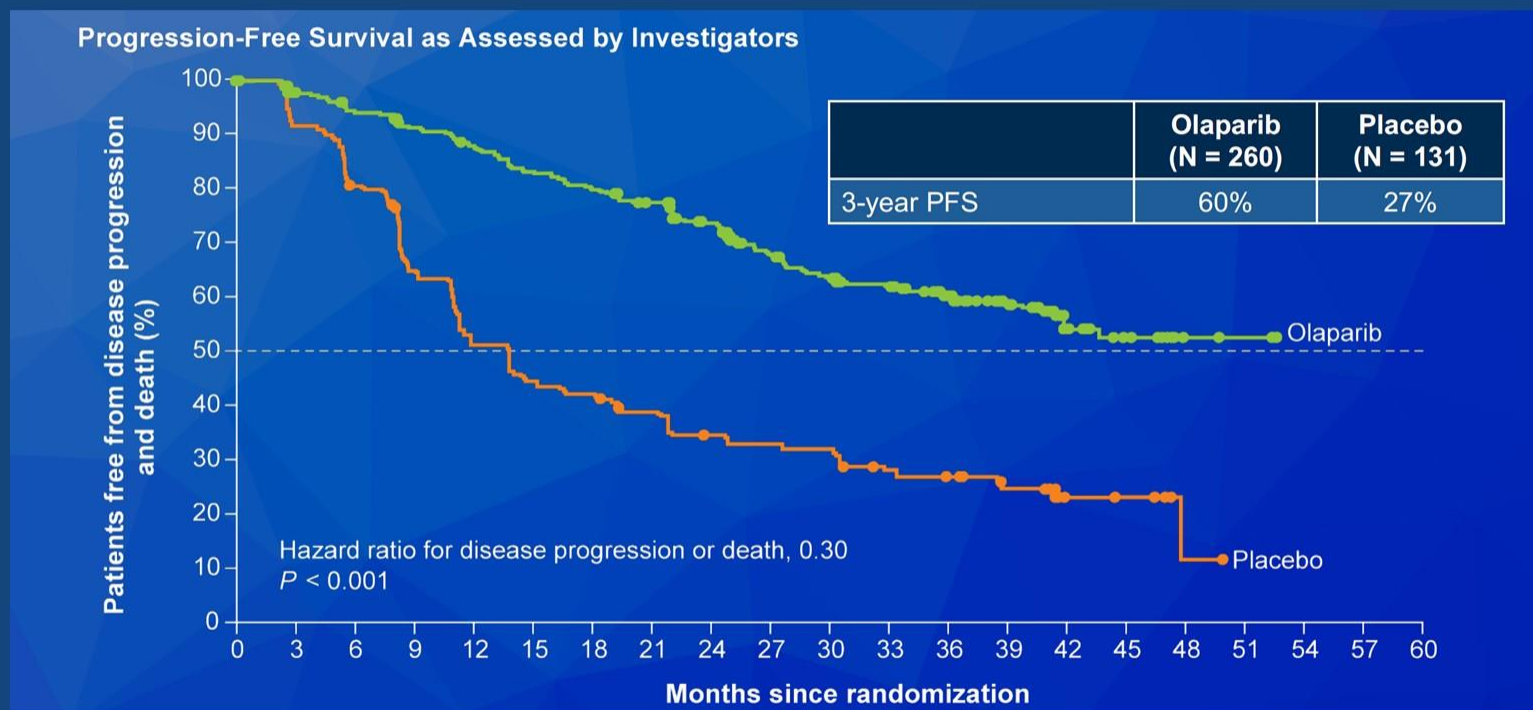
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# The state of PARP Inhibitors in Ovarian Cancer

Agent	Trial	Volunteer and Study criteria				Efficacy	Toxicity
		ROC	HGS	gBRCA	Maint		
Niraparib	NOVA <sup>1</sup> (n=546)	✓	✓		✓	+++PFS in gBRCA+ and gBRCA-	Nausea, Thrombocytopenia, Fatigue, Anemia
Olaparib	SOLO-2 <sup>2</sup> (n=295)	✓	✓	✓	✓	+++PFS	Nausea, Fatigue, Anemia, Emesis
	Phase 2 <sup>3</sup> (n=193)	✓	✓	✓		30%ORR 40%SD8w	Fatigue, Nausea, Anemia, Abdominal pain
Rucaparib	ARIEL-3 <sup>4</sup>	✓ ≥3 lines	✓		✓	+++PFS in gBRCA+, LOH+, ITT	Nausea, Fatigue, Anemia, Constipation
	Phase 2 <sup>5</sup> (n=106)	✓ ≥2 lines	✓	✓ Somatic allowed		54% ORR 9m mDOR	Nausea, Fatigue, Anemia, Abdominal pain

(1) Mirza, et al. NEJM 2016; 375:2154-64; (2) Pujade-Lauraine, et al. Lancet Oncol 2017; 18:1274-84; (3) Ledermann, et al. Lancet Oncol 2014; 15:852-61; (4) Coleman, et al. Lancet 2017; 390:1949-61; (5) Oza, et al. Gynecol Oncol 2017; 147:267-75.

# SOLO1: Maintenance PARP after first-line treatment



Moore, et al. NEJM 2018; 379:2495-505

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# Olaparib Monotherapy versus Chemotherapy for Germline BRCA-Mutated Platinum-Sensitive Relapsed Ovarian Cancer Patients: Phase III SOLO3 Trial

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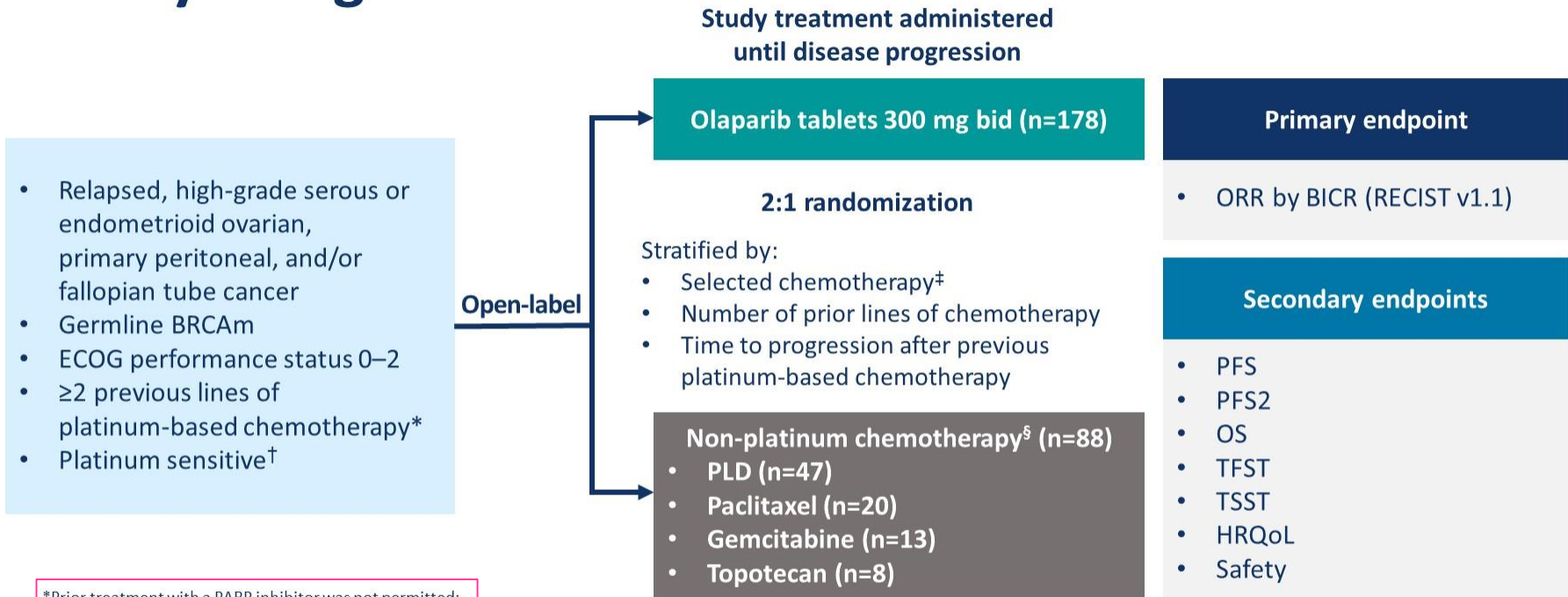
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# Background

- In a randomized Phase II trial (Study 12), olaparib treatment showed antitumor activity and was well tolerated in women with relapsed gBRCA-mutated ovarian cancer who were either partially platinum sensitive (PFI 6–12 months) or platinum resistant<sup>1</sup>
- Based on a pooled analysis of Phase I and II data, olaparib (400 mg bid, capsules) was approved by the FDA for the treatment of patients with gBRCA-mutated advanced ovarian cancer who had received  $\geq 3$  prior lines of chemotherapy<sup>2</sup>
- SOLO3 was a confirmatory Phase III study evaluating the efficacy of treatment with olaparib (300 mg bid, tablets) versus physician's choice of non-platinum chemotherapy in women with PSR gBRCA-mutated ovarian cancer who had received  $\geq 2$  prior lines of platinum-based chemotherapy

bid, twice daily; FDA, US Food and Drug Administration; gBRCA, germline *BRCA1* or *BRCA2*; PFI, platinum-free interval; PSR, platinum-sensitive relapsed  
1. Kaye SB *et al. J Clin Oncol* 2012;30:372–9; 2. Matulonis UA *et al. Ann Oncol* 2016;27:1013–19

# Study Design



\*Prior treatment with a PARP inhibitor was not permitted;

<sup>†</sup>Fully platinum sensitive: progression >12 months after platinum-based chemotherapy; partially platinum sensitive: progression 6–12 months after platinum-based chemotherapy;

<sup>‡</sup>For each patient, the investigator declared their choice of non-platinum chemotherapy before randomization;

<sup>§</sup>PLD, 50 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on day 1 q4w; paclitaxel, 80 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on days 1, 8, 15, and 22 q4w; gemcitabine, 1000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on days 1, 8, and 15 q4w; topotecan, 4 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on days 1, 8, and 15 q4w

BICR, blinded independent central review; BRCAm, BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PFS2, second progression-free survival; PLD, pegylated liposomal doxorubicin; q4w, every 4 weeks; RECIST, response evaluation criteria in solid tumors; TFST, time to first subsequent therapy or death; TSST, time to second subsequent therapy or death

# Patient Disposition

	Olaparib	Chemotherapy
<b>Randomized, n</b>	178	88
<b>Treated, n (%)</b>	178 (100)	76 (86)
<b>BICR-measurable disease at baseline, n (%)</b>	151 (85)	72 (82)
<b>Discontinued study treatment before DCO, n (%)</b>	135 (76)	75 (85)
Objective disease progression	111 (62)	30 (34)
AE	13 (7)	15 (17)
Patient decision	5 (3)	10 (11)
Severe protocol non-compliance	1 (1)	0
Study-specific discontinuation criteria	1 (1)	3 (3)
Other		
Clinical progression	4 (2)	4 (5)
Investigator decision	–	6 (7)
Chemotherapy complete	–	7 (8)
<b>Remained on study treatment at DCO, n (%)</b>	43 (24)	1 (1)

AE, adverse event; DCO, data cut-off

# Patient Characteristics

	Olaparib (n=178)	Chemotherapy (n=88)
<b>Primary tumor location, n (%)</b>		
Ovary	160 (90)	74 (84)
Fallopian tube	7 (4)	8 (9)
Primary peritoneal	10 (6)	3 (3)
Other*	1 (1)	3 (3)
<b>gBRCAm by Myriad testing, n (%)</b>		
BRCA1	120 (67)	52 (59)
BRCA2	50 (28)	32 (36)
Negative or missing†	8 (4)	4 (5)
<b>Platinum sensitivity, n (%)</b>		
Progressed ≤6 months after platinum	0	1 (1)
Progressed >6 to ≤12 months after platinum	114 (64)	50 (57)
Progressed >12 months after platinum	64 (36)	37 (42)
<b>Number of previous chemotherapy regimens, n (%)</b>		
2	92 (52)	47 (53)
3	41 (23)	24 (27)
≥4	45 (25)	17 (19)

\*Other primary tumor locations were “rectal wall” in the olaparib arm, and “uterus”, “liver metastasis”, and “pleura” in the chemotherapy arm;

†Central Myriad results were either unavailable or negative, but patients had been shown to have a gBRCAm by local testing



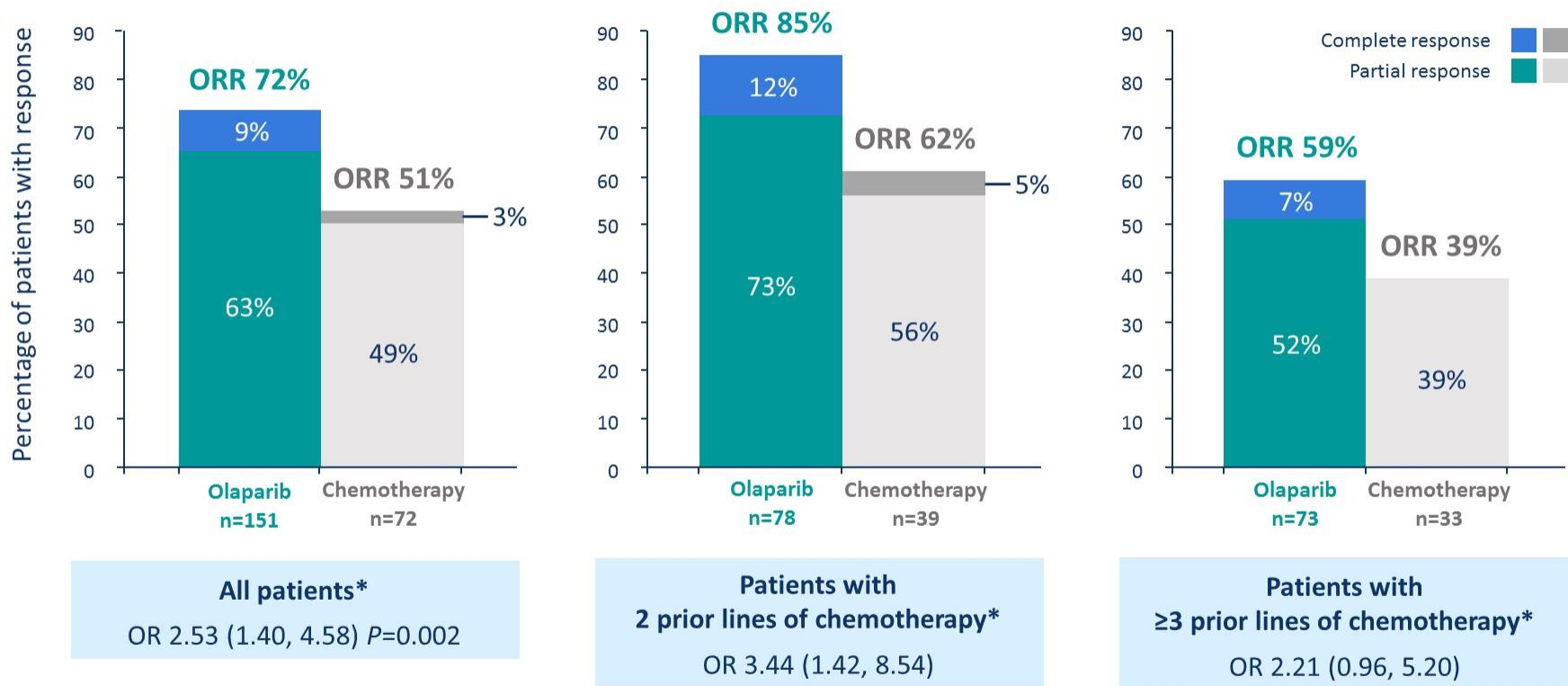
# Patient Characteristics

	Olaparib (n=178)	Chemotherapy (n=88)
<b>Histology, n (%)</b>		
Serous	157 (88)	80 (91)
Endometrioid	15 (8)	4 (5)
Undifferentiated	3 (2)	3 (3)
Mixed serous/endometrioid	3 (2)	0
Other*	0	1 (1)
<b>ECOG performance status, n (%)</b>		
0	135 (76)	63 (72)
1	42 (24)	25 (28)
2	1 (1)	0
<b>Prespecified study chemotherapy, n (%)</b>		
PLD	90 (51) <sup>†</sup>	47 (53)
Paclitaxel	37 (21) <sup>†</sup>	20 (23)
Gemcitabine	36 (20) <sup>†</sup>	13 (15)
Topotecan	15 (8) <sup>†</sup>	8 (9)

\*The other histology type in the chemotherapy arm was “adenocarcinoma, poorly differentiated”;

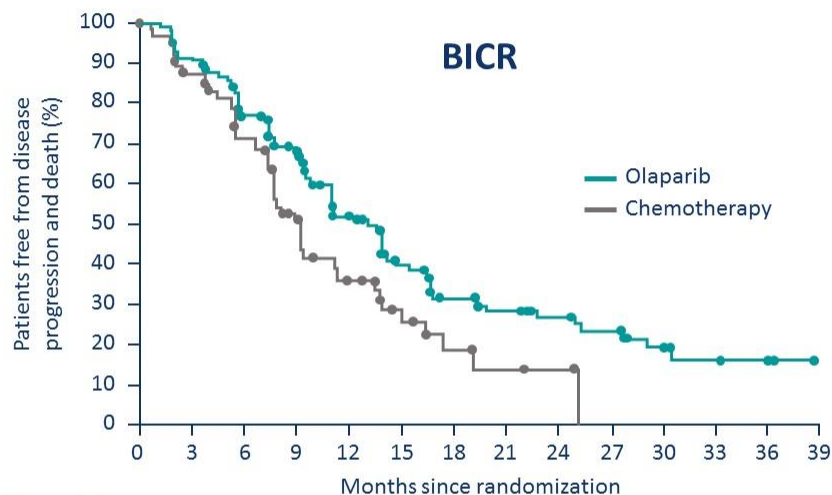
<sup>†</sup>For each patient, the investigator declared a choice of non-platinum chemotherapy before randomization. Therefore, the olaparib column shows the chemotherapy option that patients would have received had they been randomized to chemotherapy instead of olaparib

# Primary Endpoint: ORR by BICR



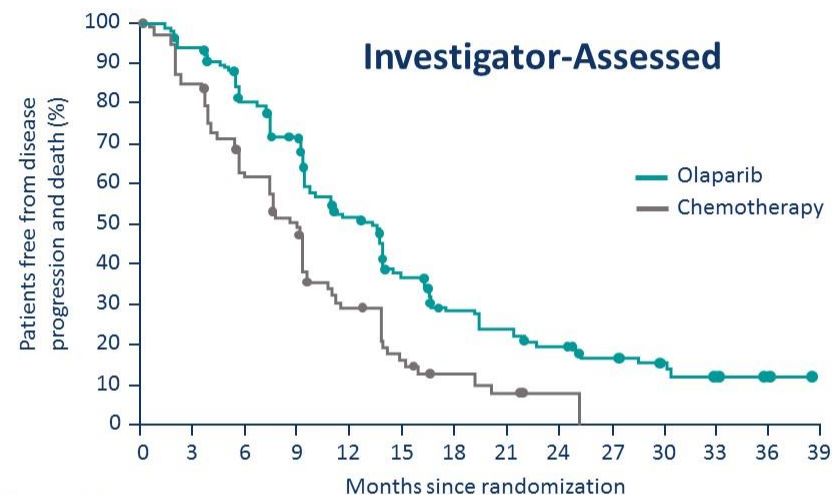
\*Patients with measurable disease at baseline

# PFS (Intention-To-Treat Population)



No. at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39
<b>Olaparib</b>	178	156	126	108	71	47	30	25	18	14	8	5	2	0
<b>Chemotherapy</b>	88	63	47	31	18	9	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0

	<b>Olaparib (n=178)</b>	<b>Chemotherapy (n=88)</b>
PFS events, n (%)	110 (62)	49 (56)
Median PFS, months	13.4	9.2
HR (95% CI), P value	0.62 (0.43, 0.91); P=0.013	



No. at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39
<b>Olaparib</b>	178	155	126	110	72	48	31	26	19	12	8	6	2	0
<b>Chemotherapy</b>	88	62	43	34	18	9	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	0

	<b>Olaparib (n=178)</b>	<b>Chemotherapy (n=88)</b>
PFS events, n (%)	123 (69)	63 (72)
Median PFS, months	13.2	8.5
HR (95% CI), P value	0.49 (0.35, 0.70); P<0.001	

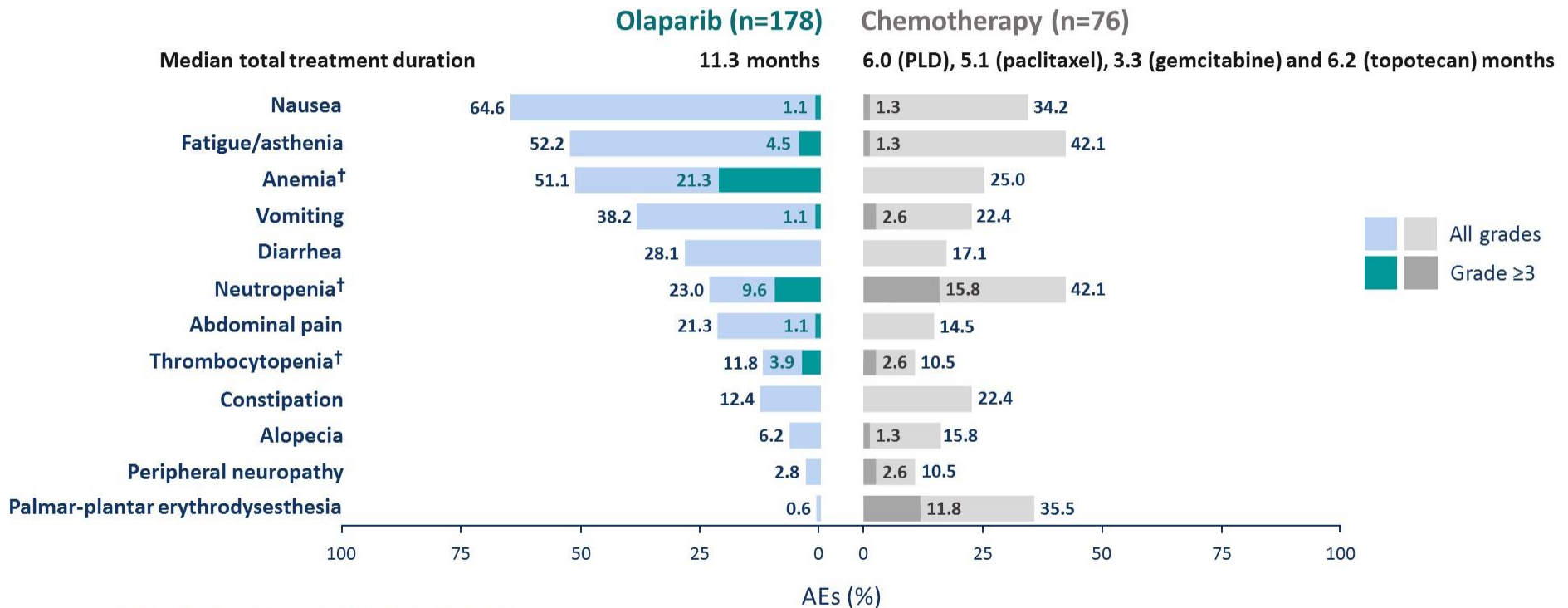
# Investigator-Assessed Efficacy Endpoints and Subsequent Therapies



## Subsequent Therapies

- 70 patients in the olaparib arm (39%) and 29 in the chemotherapy arm (33%) received platinum as part of their first or second subsequent therapy
- Five patients in the olaparib arm (3%) and 24 in the chemotherapy arm (27%) received a PARP inhibitor as part of their first or second subsequent therapy

# Most common AEs\* and selected AEs of interest in either treatment arm



\*All grades, frequency ≥20%; grade ≥3, frequency ≥5%;

†Grouped terms

# AEs of Special Interest

	Olaparib (n=178)	Chemotherapy (n=76)
MDS/AML, n (%)	4 (2)	3 (4)*
New primary malignancies, n (%)	3 (2)	0

- The three new primary malignancies in the olaparib arm were:
  - Lung cancer (gBRCA2 mutation)
  - Gastric cancer (gBRCA1 mutation)
  - Breast cancer (gBRCA1 mutation)
- No AEs of pneumonitis were reported in the study

\*Two patients received PLD as study treatment and one patient received paclitaxel; two of these three patients received a PARP inhibitor as a subsequent treatment  
AML, acute myeloid leukemia; MDS, myelodysplastic syndromes

# SOLO-3: Things to make you go Hmmmm...

**Toxicities:** compared to chemotherapy, olaparib associated with:

- Higher SAE rate (24 vs 18%)
  - Less treatment discontinuation due to an AE (7 vs 20%)
- MDS/AML in 4 versus 3 patients (BUT 2/3 received PARP later)
- New cancers in 3 versus 0

# Conclusions

- SOLO3 is the first Phase III randomized trial of a PARP inhibitor versus non-platinum-based chemotherapy in women with PSR gBRCA-mutated ovarian cancer
- A statistically significant and clinically relevant improvement in ORR and PFS was observed with olaparib versus non-platinum-based chemotherapy
- The tolerability profiles of olaparib and chemotherapy were consistent with previous data
  - Patients in the chemotherapy arm were more than twice as likely to discontinue study treatment because of an AE
- SOLO3 provides important prospective data on the efficacy of these treatment options for women with heavily pre-treated PSR gBRCA-mutated ovarian cancer



# Do you even *need* chemotherapy to treat recurrence?

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# Answer: Probably not.....

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SOLO-3 #5506	PSOC (n=266)	Olaparib	Chemo	ORR 72 vs 52% OR 2.53 (95%CI 1.40-4.58) PFS 13.4 vs 9.2m HR 0.62 (95%CI 0.43-0.91)

About these volunteers:

- gBRCA+
- ≥2 lines

About the control:

- No platinum

But SOLO 3 not design to answer this question (chemo →olaparib arm missing)

**CLIO (NCT02822157):  
Randomized phase II study evaluating efficacy of olaparib  
monotherapy versus physician's choice chemotherapy in  
platinum-resistant ovarian cancer (PROC)**

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# Treatment options for PROC patients

- **4 chemotherapeutic agents** with activity in phase III trials  
Overall response rates (**ORR**) around **15%**  
Median **PFS** of **3-4 months** <sup>1</sup>:
  - paclitaxel
  - pegylated liposomal doxorubicin (PLD)
  - topotecan
  - gemcitabine
- **Single-agent PARP-inhibitor (PARPi) therapy**  
FDA approved in **germline BRCA1/2-mutated relapsed ovarian cancer** ( $\geq 3$  lines)  
(2 single-arm phase II trials with olaparib<sup>2</sup> and rucaparib<sup>3</sup>)

# Single-agent PARP-inhibitor treatment in PROC

- Efficacy of single-agent PARPi treatment in **PROC**

PARPi	Biomarker	Patients	Overall response rate
Olaparib <sup>1</sup>	gBRCA mut	mean 4.3 prior lines	<b>31%</b> (60/193)
Niraparib <sup>2</sup>	g + sBRCA mut	≥ 3 prior lines	<b>27%</b> (10/37)
Rucaparib <sup>3</sup>	g + sBRCA mut	≥ 2 prior lines	<b>25%</b> (5/20)
Niraparib <sup>2</sup>	/	≥ 3 prior lines	<b>6%</b> (17/289)

- **Limited data in BRCA-wild type PROC** disease (QUADRA)
- **No randomized data** comparing single-agent PARPi with chemotherapy in PROC

# CLIO Study Design

## Randomized open-label study

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- **RELAPSED OVARIAN CANCER:** at least 1 previous line of chemotherapy
- **HISTOLOGY:** High-grade serous, Endometrioid, Clear-Cell, Carcinosarcoma, Undifferentiated
- **MEASURABLE DISEASE** • **PREVIOUS PARPi ALLOWED**

### Platinum-sensitive / PSOC (n = 60)

- Relapse  $\geq 6$  months after platinum-based chemotherapy
- Exclusion of patients with known germline or somatic BRCA mutation prior to screening



**OLAPARIB** 300mg BID (4 tablets/day)



Physician's choice **CHEMOTHERAPY**  
(Carbo-Gemci / Carbo-Paclitaxel / Carbo-PLD)

*crossover*



2:1 randomisation

### Platinum-resistant / PROC (n = 100)

- Relapse  $< 6$  months after platinum-based chemotherapy), exclusion **primary platinum-refractory disease** (i.e. relapse during or  $< 28$  days after first-line platinum)
- Germline or somatic BRCA mutation allowed



**OLAPARIB** 300mg BID (4 tablets/day)



Physician's choice **CHEMOTHERAPY**  
Paclitaxel 80mg/m<sup>2</sup>    Topotecan 1.25mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
PLD 40mg/m<sup>2</sup>        Gemcitabine 1000mg/m<sup>2</sup>

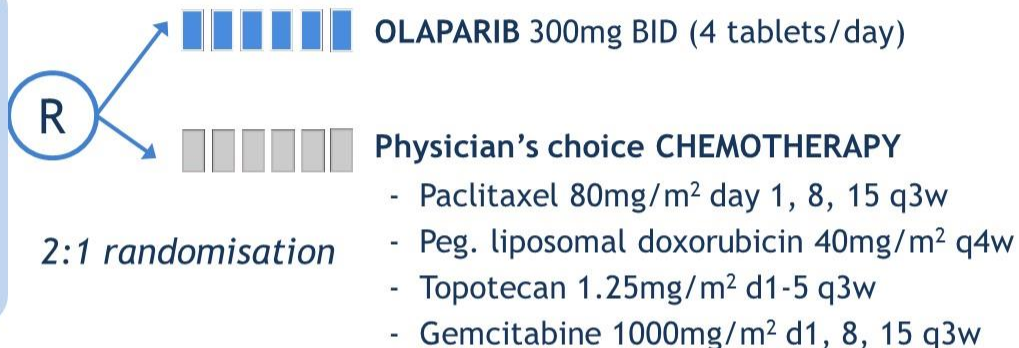
*crossover*



# Current analysis

## PROC (n = 100)

- Relapse < 6 months after platinum-based chemotherapy)
- Exclusion **primary platinum-refractory disease** (i.e. relapse during or < 28 days after first-line platinum)

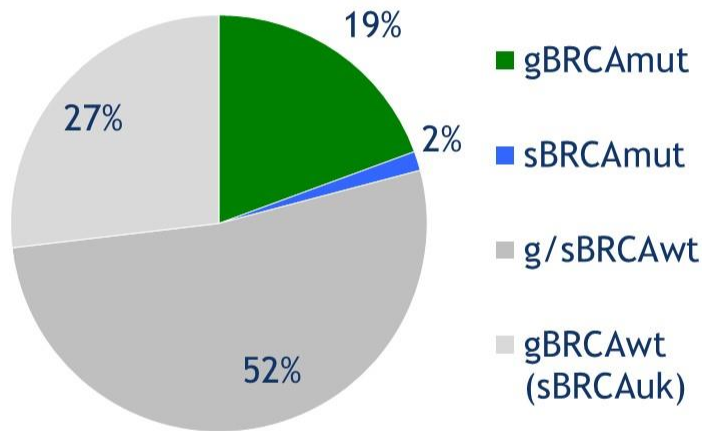


## Compare efficacy of single-agent olaparib versus physician's choice chemotherapy in PROC

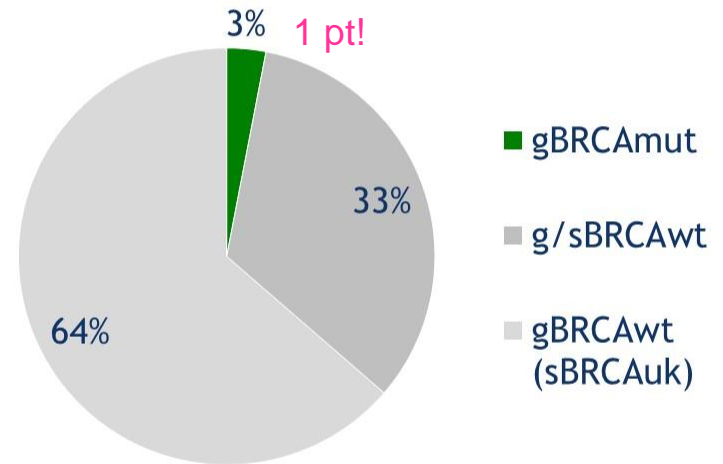
- Objective response rate (**ORR**)
- Disease-control rate (**DCR**) at 12 weeks
- Duration of response/clinical benefit (**DOR/DCB**)
- Progression-free survival (**PFS**)

## Baseline characteristics (PROC, n=100) BRCA status

Olaparib (n=67)



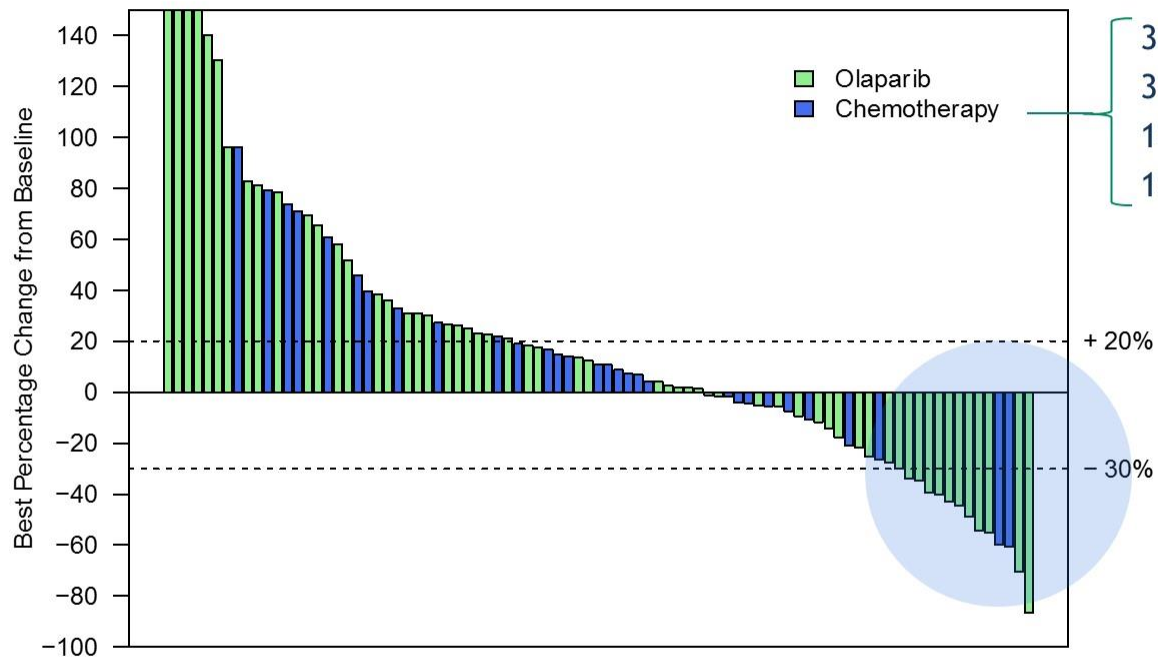
Chemotherapy (n=33)



**Imbalance** in frequency of known BRCA mutations between both groups ( $p=0.03$ )  
(no stratification performed, incomplete somatic testing mainly in chemo-arm)



# Objective response rate (ORR for PROC, n=100) \*



- 33.3% (11/33) Paclitaxel
- 30.3% (10/33) PLD
- 18.2% (6/33) Topotecan
- 18.2% (6/33) Gemcitabine

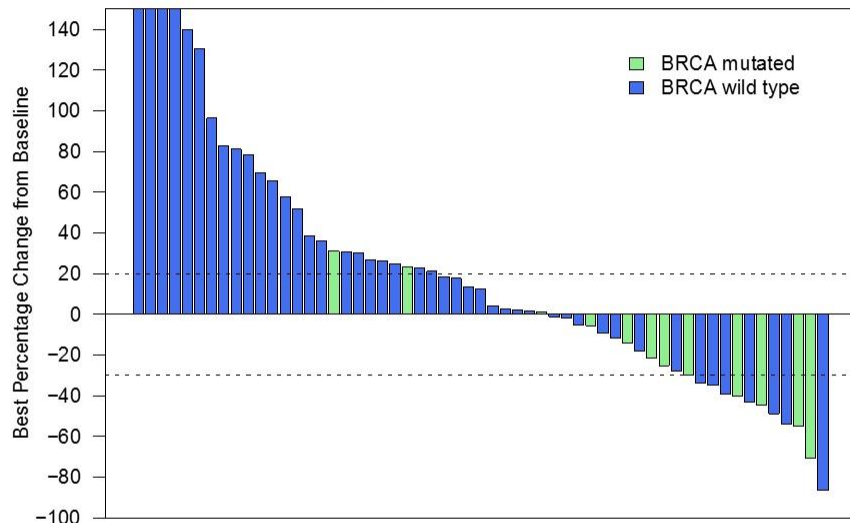


**2 responses**  
 under chemotherapy  
 (both taxol weekly)

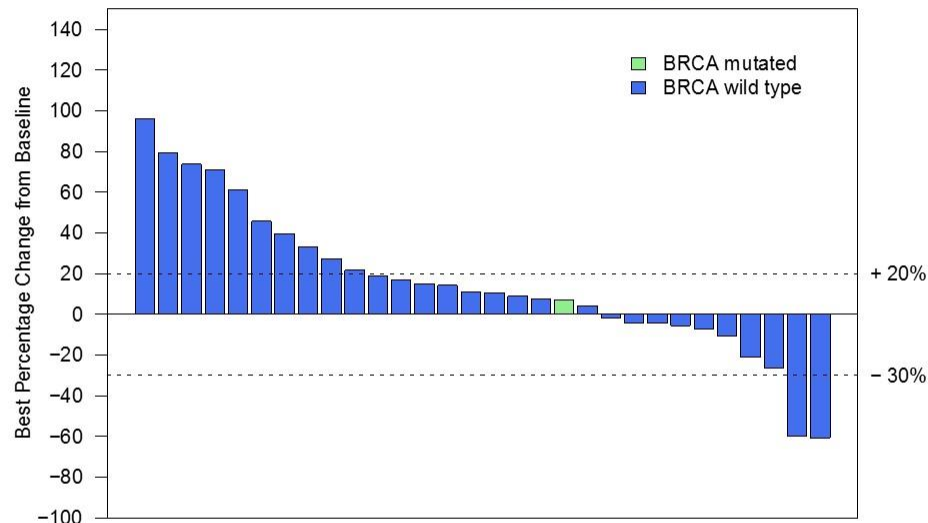
	OLAPARIB	CHEMOTHERAPY	
All patients	18 % (12/67)	6 % (2/33)	p=0.13

# ORR according to BRCA status (PROC, n=100)

Olaparib (n=67)



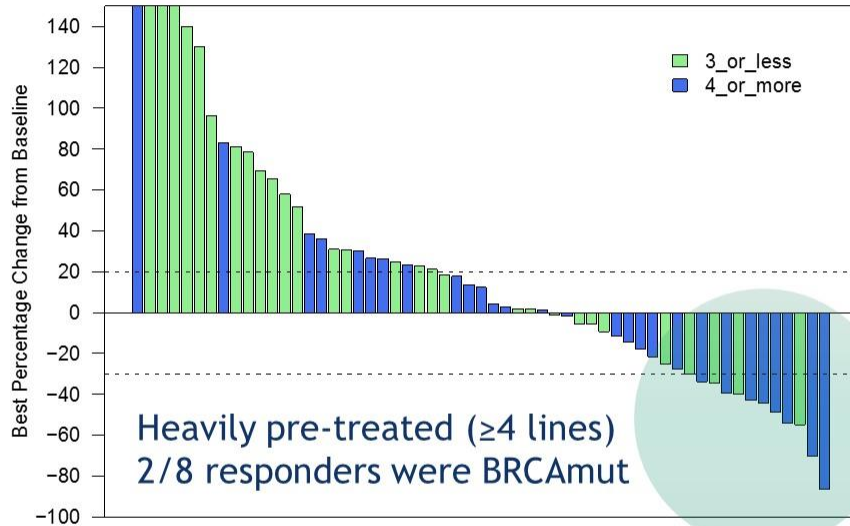
Chemotherapy (n=33)



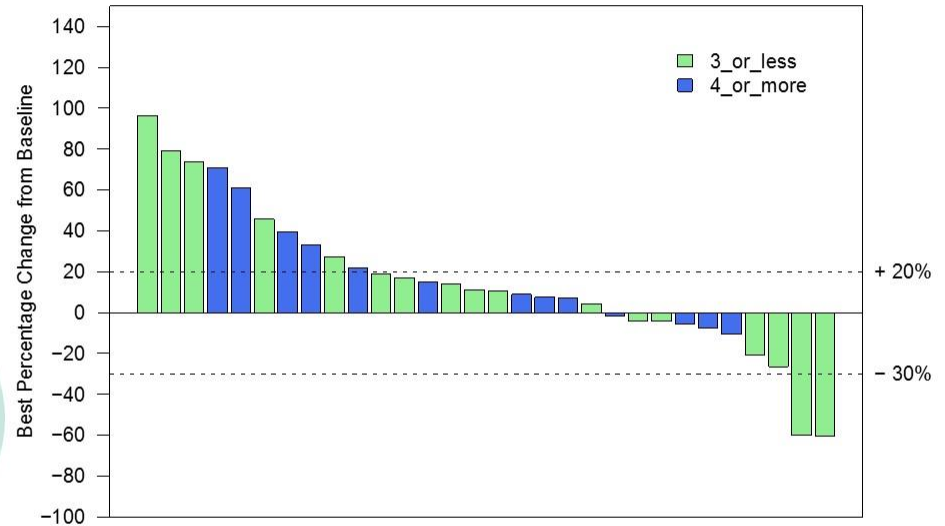
	OLAPARIB	CHEMOTHERAPY
BRCA mutated	36 % (5/14)	0 % (0/1)
BRCA wild type	13 % (7/53)	6 % (2/32)

# ORR according to prior lines of treatment (PROC, n=100)

Olaparib (n=67)

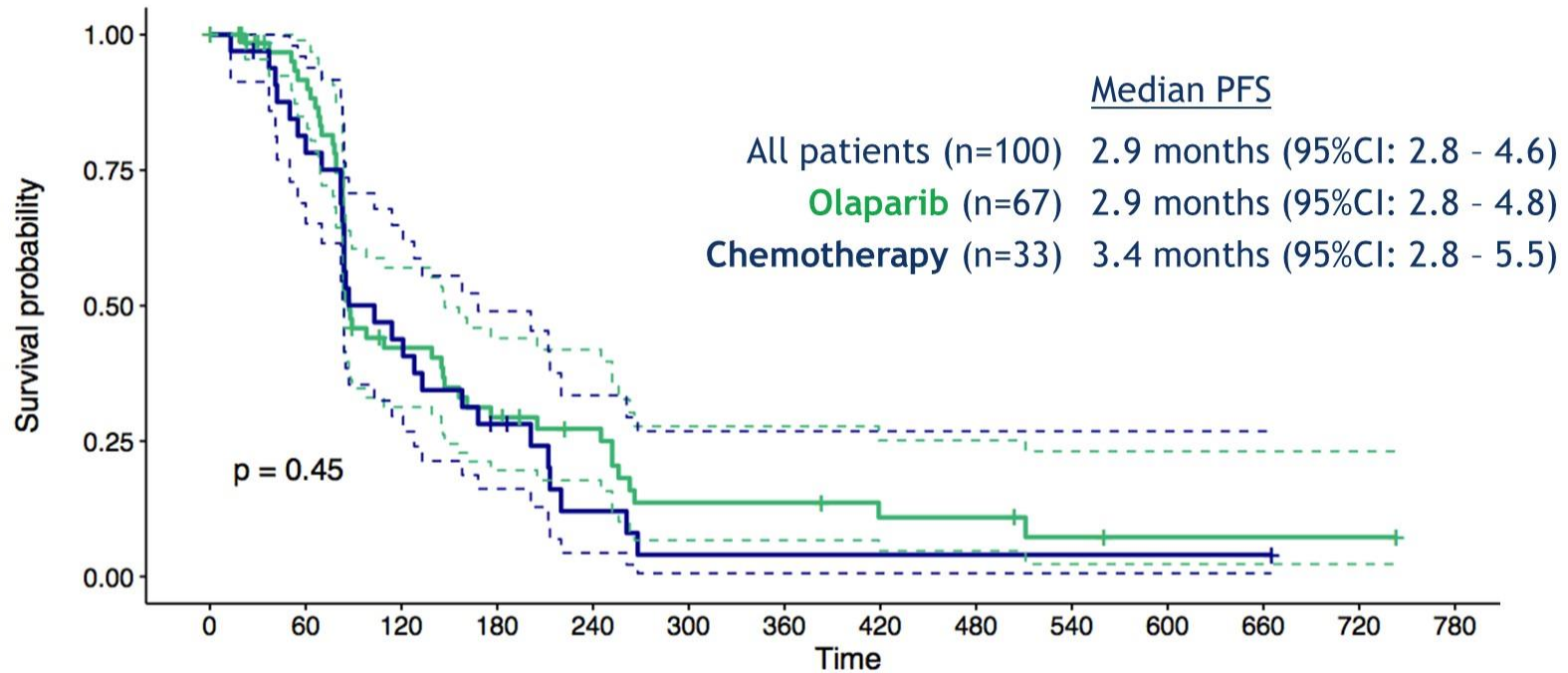


Chemotherapy (n=33)



	OLAPARIB	CHEMOTHERAPY
3 or less prior lines	13 % (4/32)	11 % (2/19)
4 or more prior lines	23 % (8/35)	0.0 % (0/14)

# Progression-free survival (PFS)



No PFS difference between olaparib and standard chemotherapy in PROC  
Hazard ratio 1.18 for olaparib (95% CI: 0.75-1.87;  $p=0.48$ )

## Take home messages

- **Olaparib monotherapy** showed a **favorable objective response rate of 18% in PROC** compared to 6% with standard chemotherapy.
- **BRCA-mutated PROC** patients had a **response rate of 36%** under olaparib treatment, with a **clinical benefit rate at 12 weeks of 64%**
- The studied population was **heavily pretreated**, with 49% having received 4 or more prior lines of treatment, 16% of patients received prior PARP inhibitor therapy (including placebo-controlled studies)
- **No new TEAEs** were noted. TEAEs leading to dose discontinuation were rare.

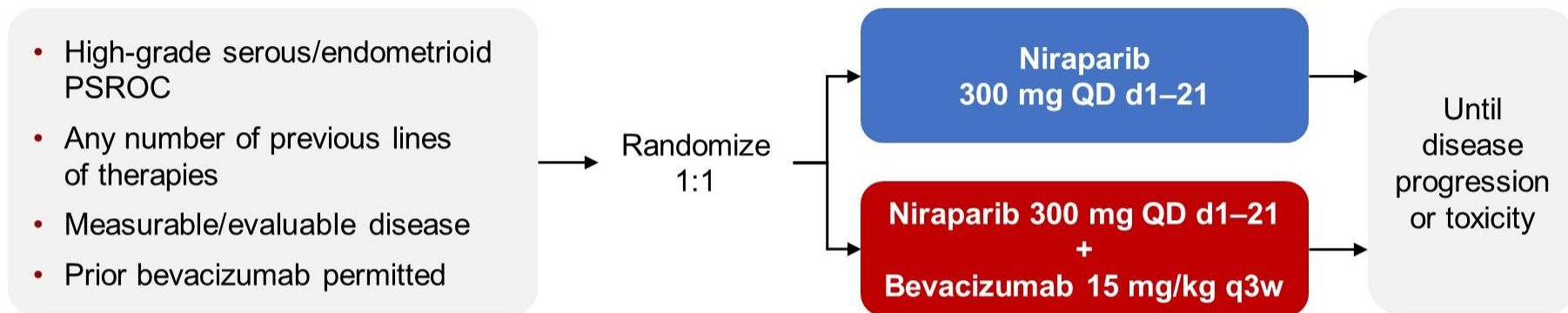
# Combination of niraparib and bevacizumab versus niraparib alone as treatment of recurrent platinum-sensitive ovarian cancer: A randomized controlled chemotherapy-free study

## ENGOT-OV24/NSGO-AVANOVA2

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# ENGOT-OV24 / NSGO-AVANOVA2 trial design



## Stratification factors

- HRD status (positive vs negative)
- Chemotherapy-free interval (6–12 vs >12 months)

## Primary endpoint: Investigator-assessed PFS in the ITT population

ITT = intention-to-treat; NCT02354131

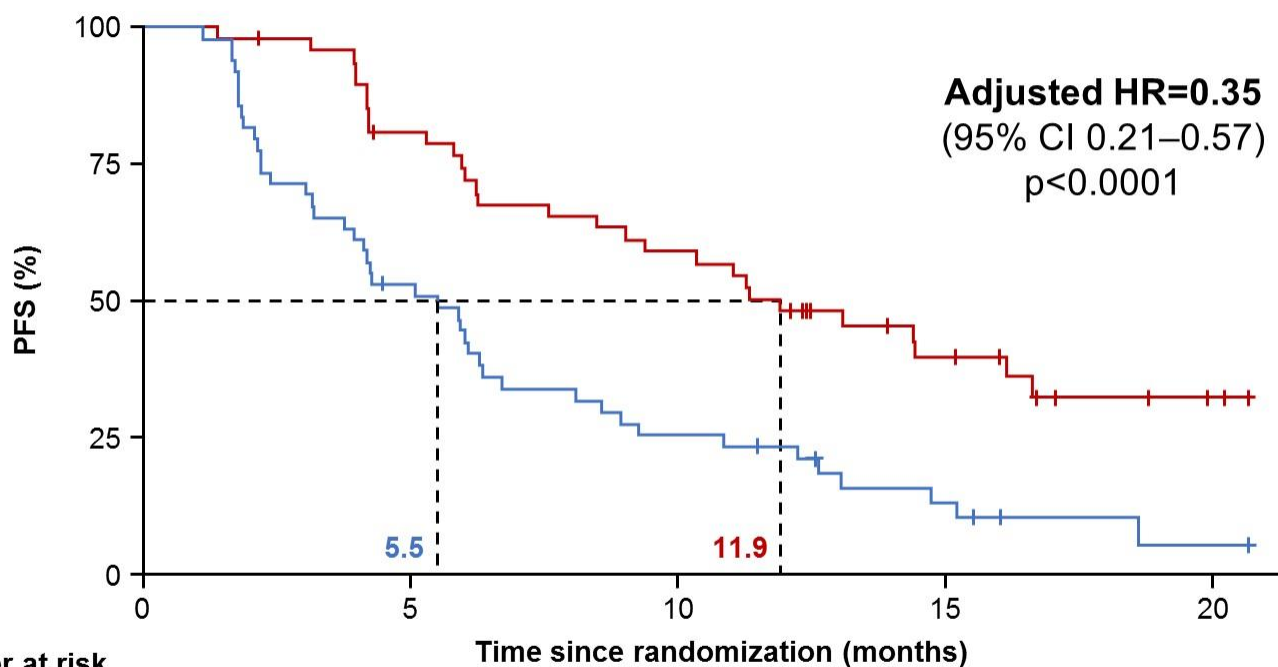
## Baseline patient characteristics (ITT population)

Characteristic, n (%)		Niraparib + bevacizumab (n=48)	Single-agent niraparib (n=49)
Median age, years (range)		66.5 (59–70)	66 (58–70)
Primary tumour site	Ovary	38 (79%)	33 (67%)
	Fallopian tube	5 (10%)	9 (18%)
	Peritoneum	5 (10%)	7 (14%)
Chemotherapy-free interval, months	6–12	20 (42%)	17 (35%)
	>12	28 (58%)	32 (65%)
HRD status	Positive <sup>a</sup>	28 (58%)	30 (61%)
	Negative/unknown	20 (42%)	19 (39%)
BRCA mutation	Any	15 (31%)	18 (37%)
	Germline	6 (13%)	9 (18%)
	Somatic	14 (29%)	14 (29%)
Pre-existing hypertension		20 (42%)	17 (35%)
Prior bevacizumab		10 (21%)	13 (27%)
Prior lines of therapy	1	21 (44%)	27 (55%)
	2	24 (50%)	19 (39%)
	≥3	3 (6%)	3 (6%)

<sup>a</sup>3 patients (1 niraparib + bevacizumab, 2 niraparib) had BRCA-mutated tumors but were erroneously considered as HRD negative/unknown for stratification



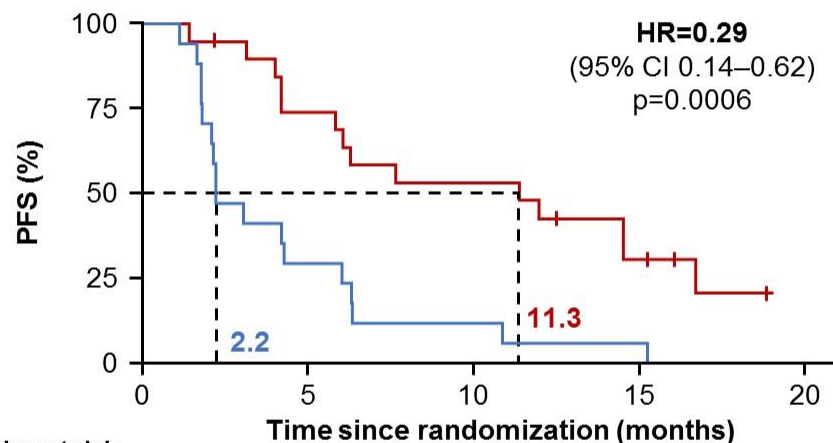
# Primary endpoint: PFS in the ITT population



CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio

# PFS by stratification factors: Chemotherapy-free interval

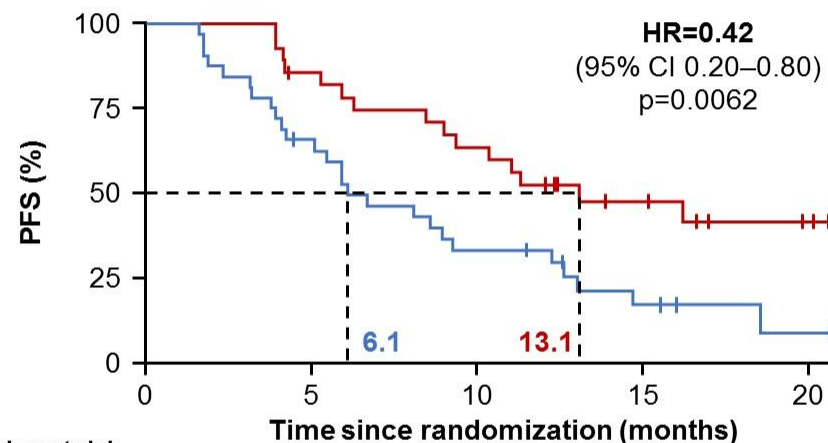
6–12 months



Number at risk

Niraparib + bevacizumab	20	14	10	5	1
Niraparib	17	5	2	1	0

>12 months

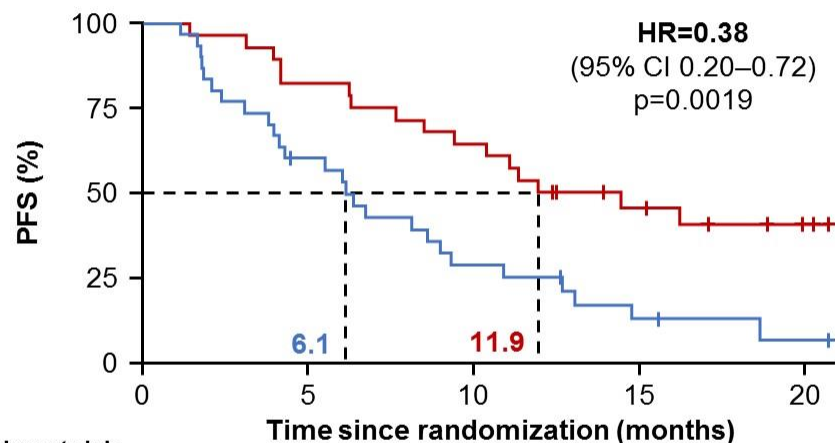


Number at risk

Niraparib + bevacizumab	28	23	17	9	4
Niraparib	32	20	10	4	1

# PFS by stratification factors: HRD status

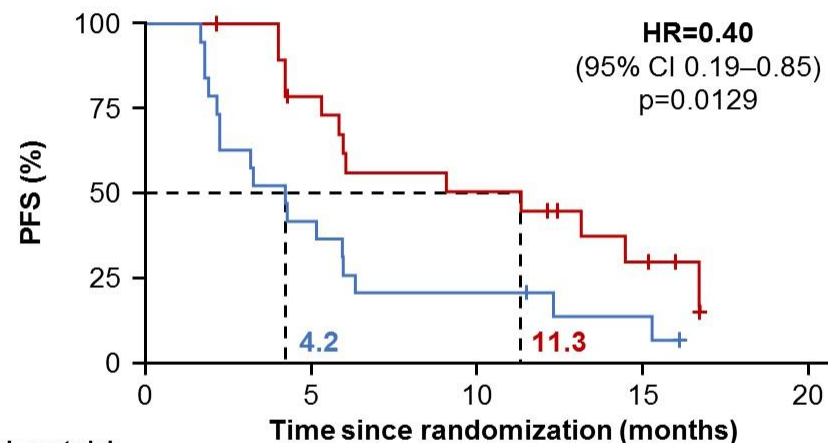
**HRD positive**



Number at risk

Niraparib + bevacizumab	28	23	18	10	5
Niraparib	30	17	8	3	1

**HRD negative**

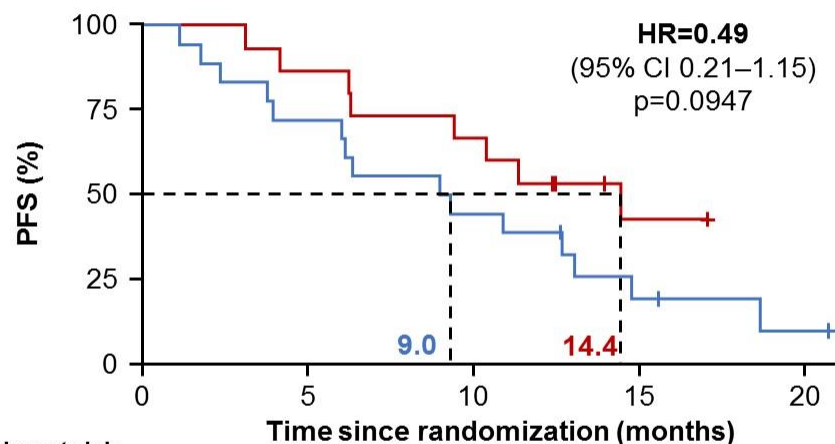


Number at risk

Niraparib + bevacizumab	20	14	9	4	0
Niraparib	19	8	4	2	0

# PFS by BRCA status

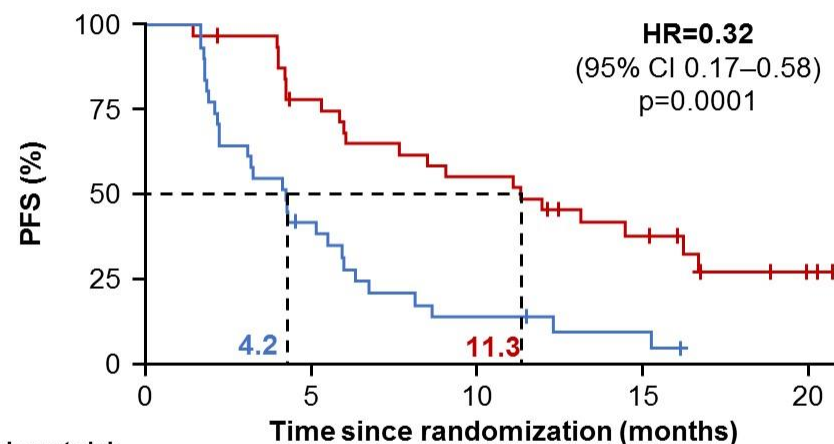
**BRCA mutated**



Number at risk

	0	5	10	15	20
Niraparib + bevacizumab	15	13	10	4	3
Niraparib	18	13	8	3	1

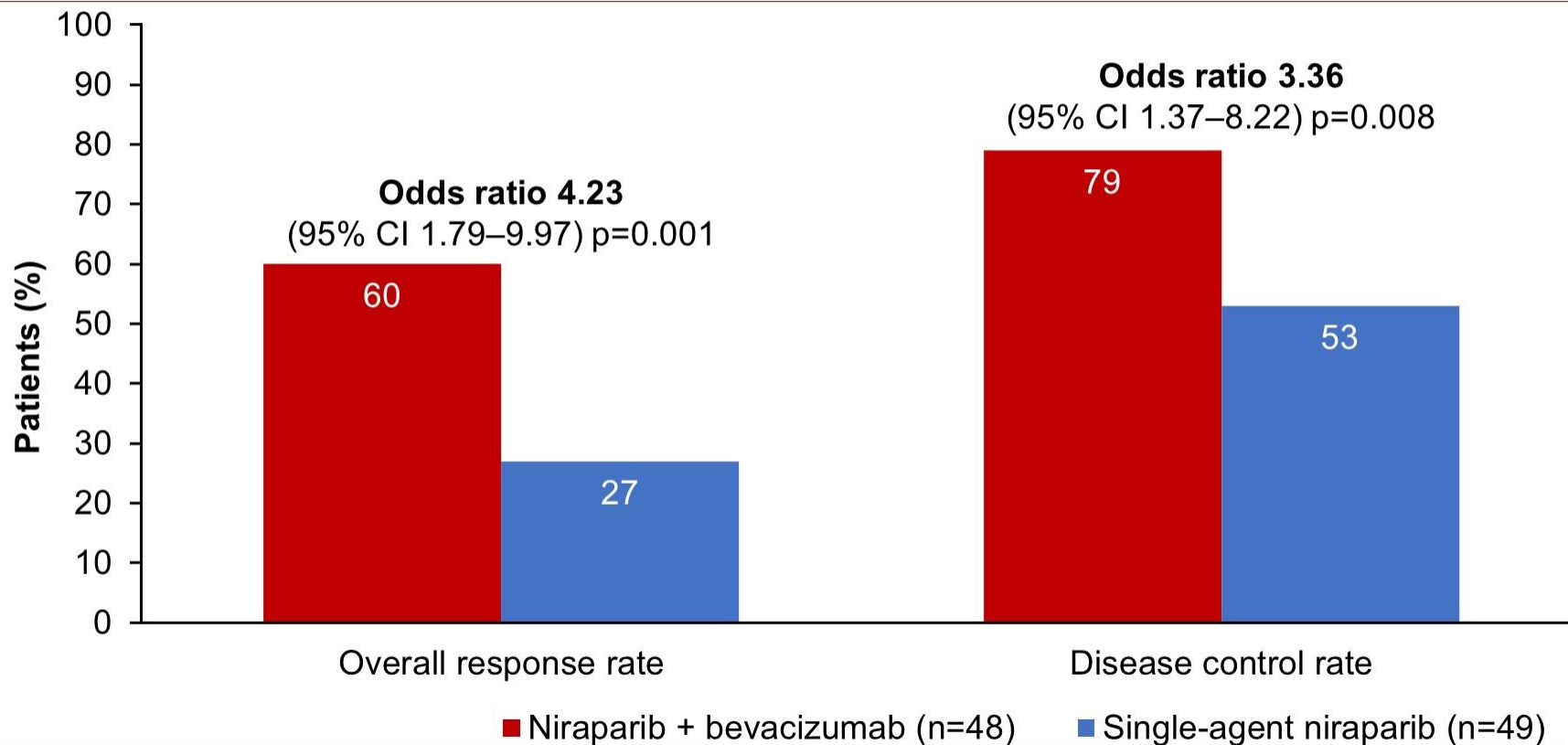
**BRCA wildtype**



Number at risk

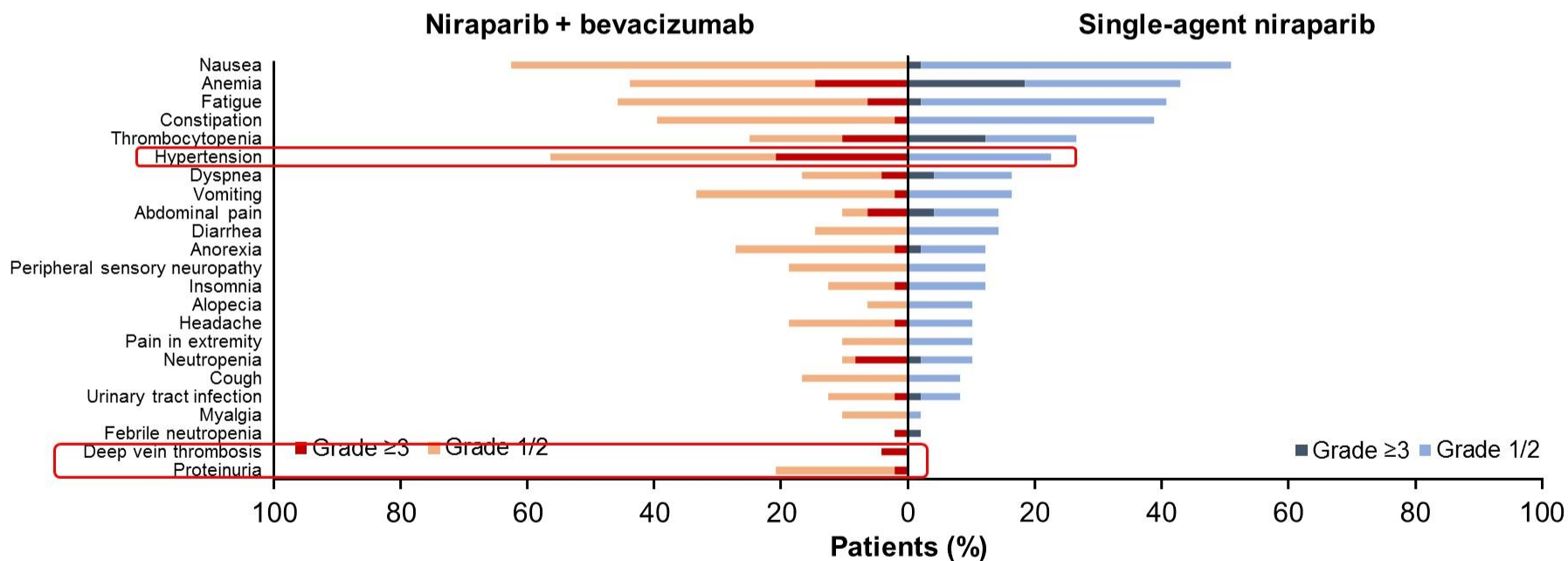
	0	5	10	15	20
Niraparib + bevacizumab	33	24	17	10	2
Niraparib	31	12	4	2	0

## Overall response and disease control rates



# Summary of adverse events

Any grade in  $\geq 10\%$  of patients in either arm and/or grade  $\geq 3$  in  $\geq 2$  patients overall



Additional grade  $\geq 3$  adverse events in only 1 patient comprised: gastrointestinal disorder, hypomagnesemia, hyponatremia, ileus, intestinal obstruction, skin pain, pneumonia, respiratory tract infection, and syncope in the niraparib + bevacizumab arm, and ascites, dehydration, pleural effusion, pulmonary embolism, and mucosal inflammation in the niraparib-alone arm

## Dose reductions and treatment discontinuations

Number of niraparib dose reductions	Niraparib + bevacizumab (n=48)	Single-agent niraparib (n=49)
None	23 (48%)	21 (43%)
One (300 → 200 mg)	24 (50%)	27 (55%)
Two (300 → 200 → 100 mg)	1 (2%)	1 (2%)

Treatment discontinuations for adverse events	Niraparib + bevacizumab (n=48)	Single-agent niraparib (n=49)
Treatment discontinuation	6 (13%)	5 (10%)

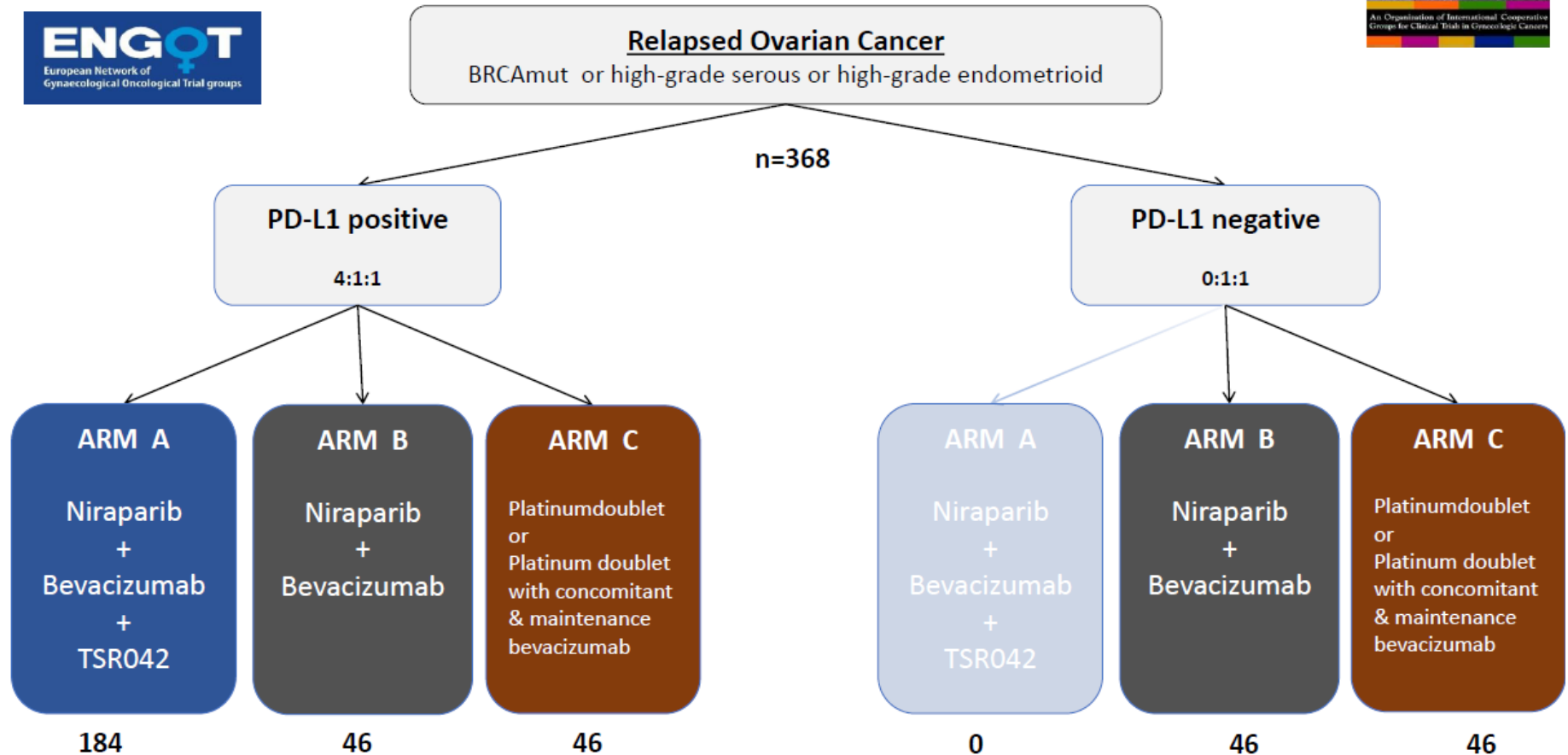
NA = not applicable

## Conclusions

- NSGO-AVANOVA2 is the first randomized trial to evaluate a chemotherapy-free combination of two established agents approved for use in recurrent ovarian cancer (niraparib and bevacizumab)
- Compared with niraparib alone, the combination of niraparib + bevacizumab as definitive treatment for ovarian cancer significantly improved PFS, regardless of HRD status or chemotherapy-free interval
- Niraparib + bevacizumab combination therapy was well tolerated; most patients remained on treatment until disease progression
- No detrimental effect on quality of life was observed with combination therapy
- A randomized phase 3 trial (NSGO-AVATAR) is planned to compare this regimen vs standard-of-care therapy in PSROC



# ENGOT-OV42 / NSGO-AVATAR



## Now we need to figure out---

- For women who are *candidates for PARP inhibition*:
  - In the maintenance setting after primary chemotherapy, should you use it *instead* of bevacizumab, or *with* bevacizumab?
  - In an era following SOLO-1, Can you use a PARP inhibitor *again*?

# PARP in 1st line alone or in combination with bevacizumab

Trial	Patients	Maintenance trial	Status
<b>SOLO1</b> (n= 391)	BRCAm	<b>Olaparib</b> vs placebo	Completed, positive
<b>PRIMA</b> (n= 303)	All comers	<b>Niraparib</b> vs placebo	On-going
<b>PAOLA</b> (n= 806)	All comers	<b>Olaparib + bevacizumab</b> vs placebo + bevacizumab	Accrual completed



# EWOC-1: A randomized trial to evaluate the feasibility of three different first-line chemotherapy regimens for vulnerable elderly women with ovarian cancer (OC): A GCIG-ENGOT-GINECO study

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# GINECO has developed a Geriatric Vulnerability Score (GVS) to discriminate vulnerable from fit older patients <sup>(1)</sup>

## GVS items

- Activity of Daily Living (ADL-Katz) score < 6
- Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL-Lawton) score < 25
- Hospital Anxiety and Depression score (HADS) > 14
- Albuminemia < 35g/L
- Lymphocyte count < 1G/L

$$\text{GVS} = \sum \text{scores}$$

**GVS  $\geq$  3 defines vulnerable older patients (> 70 years old)**

(1) Falandry et al. Development of a geriatric vulnerability score in elderly patients with advanced ovarian cancer treated with first-line carboplatin: a GINECO prospective trial Annals Oncol 2013

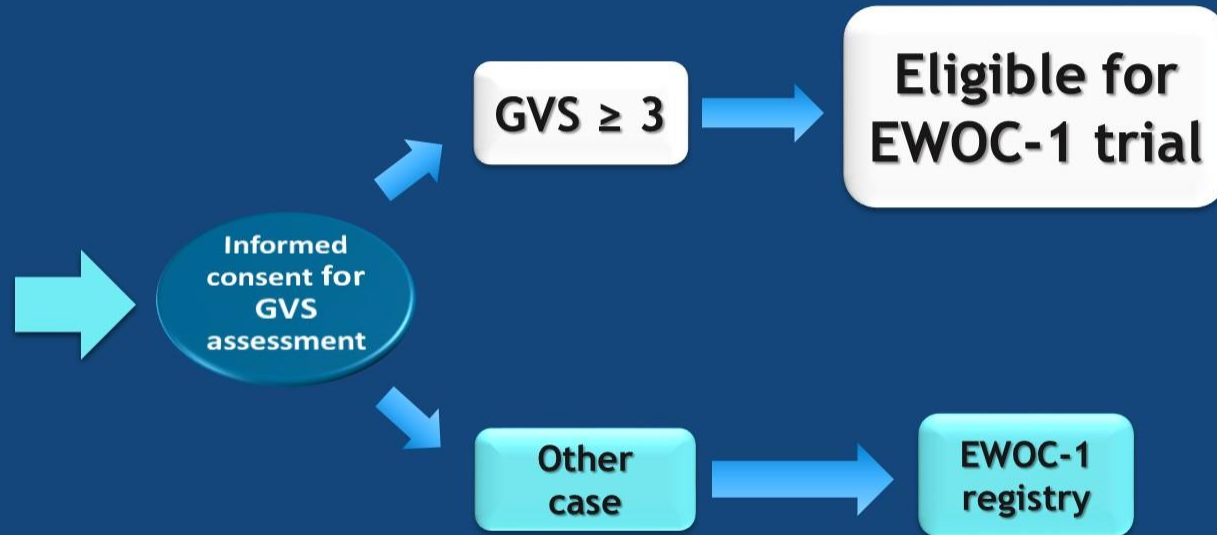
# EWOC-1 design

## 1- Patient selection



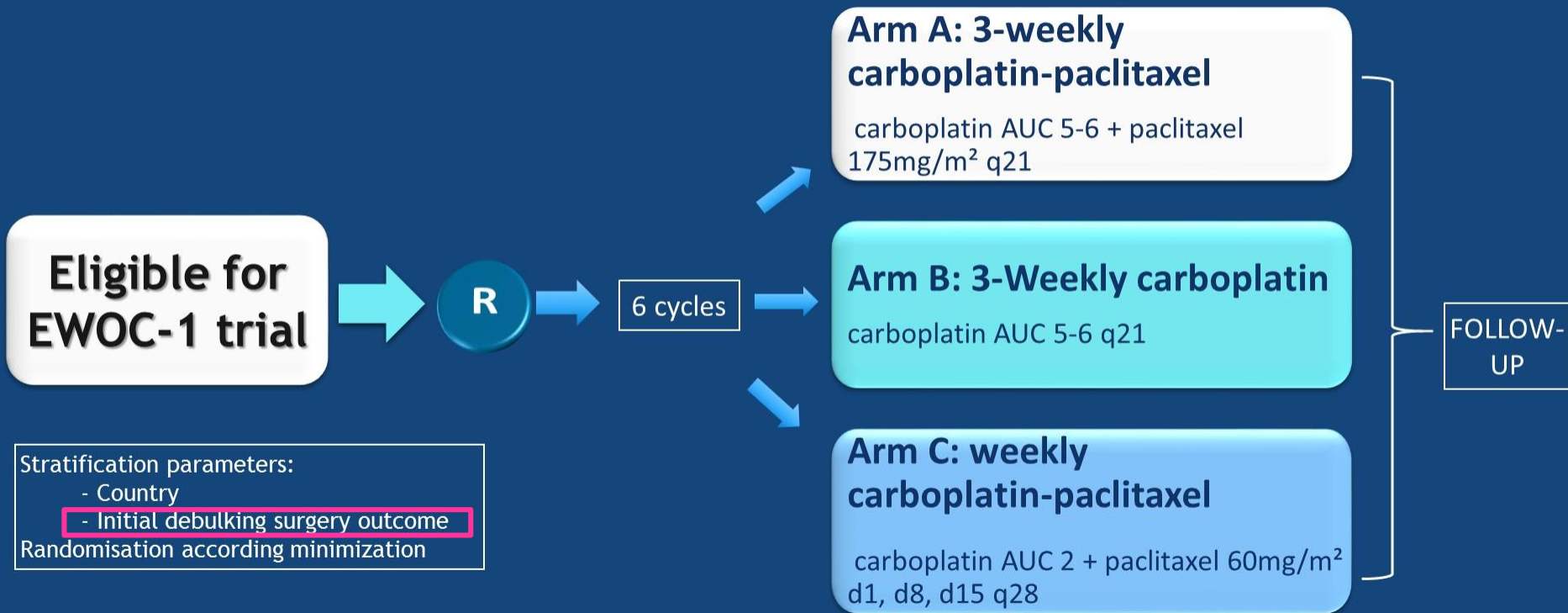
### Eligibility criteria

- Age > 70yrs
- Histologically or cytologically proven epithelial cancer of the ovary, fallopian tube, and primary peritoneum
- FIGO stage III or IV
- No clinically relevant organ dysfunction
- Life expectancy > 3 months



# EWOC-1 design

## 2- Patient randomization



# EWOC-1 endpoints



- **Primary endpoint**

- To evaluate the feasibility of the 3 different chemotherapy regimens

Feasibility defined as the completion of 6 courses of chemotherapy without early stopping for disease progression, death or unacceptable toxicity\*

- **Secondary endpoints**

- Safety, Progression-free survival (PFS), Overall survival (OS), Quality of life (QoL), interval debulking and post-operative adjuvant therapy feasibility, geriatric covariates and aging biomarkers

\* Unacceptable toxicity: adverse event related to chemotherapy or treatment procedure leading either to early treatment stopping, to an unplanned hospital admission or to death or to a dose delay lasting more than 14 days or more than 2 dose reductions.



# EWOC-1 patients' characteristics (1)



Characteristic	Arm A (3wCb-P) N=40	Arm B (3wCb) N=40	Arm C (wCb-P) N=40
Median age, years (range)	79 (71 - 90)	82 (70 - 94)	80 (70 - 90)
GVS global, N (%)			
3	24 (60)	19 (48)	21 (53)
4	14 (35)	14 (35)	15 (37)
5	2 (5)	7 (17)	4 (10)
GVS per item, N (%)			
Albuminemia < 35 G/L	32 (80)	33 (82)	34 (85)
ADL score < 6	33 (82)	34 (85)	36 (90)
IADL score < 25	36 (90)	37 (92)	37 (92)
HADS > 14	23 (57)	28 (70)	23 (57)
Lymphocyte count < 1.0 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	14 (35)	16 (40)	13 (32)
Primary tumour location, N (%)			
Ovary	35 (87)	33 (82)	31 (78)
Fallopian tubes	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)
Primary peritoneal	4 (10)	4 (10)	6 (15)
Unknown	1 (3)	2 (5)	3 (7)

# EWOC-1 patients' characteristics (2)



Characteristic	Arm A (3wCb-P) N=40	Arm B (3wCb) N=40	Arm C (wCb-P) N=40
<b>Histology, N (%)</b>			
serous	24 (60)	24 (60)	28 (70)
others	16 (40)	16 (40)	12 (30)
<b>FIGO stage, N (%)</b>			
III	26 (65)	24 (60)	29 (72)
IV	13 (32)	15 (37)	11 (28)
missing	1 (3)	1 (3)	0 (0)
<b>Debulking surgery, N (%)</b>			
None or macroscopic residue	37 (92)	38 (95)	37 (92)
Complete surgical resection	3 (7)	2 (5)	3 (7)

# EWOC-1 primary endpoint

N = 120	Arm A (3wCb-P) N=40	Arm B (3wCb) N=40	Arm C (wCb-P) N=40
Patients not treated	3	1	1
<b>Completed 6 cycles</b>	<b>26 (65%)</b>	<b>19 (47.5%)</b>	<b>24 (60%)</b>

# EWOC-1 toxicity



Toxicity	Arm A (3wCb-P)		Arm B (3wCb)		Arm C (wCb-P)	
<b>Haematological toxicity (%)</b>	<b>Grade <math>\geq</math> 3</b>					
Anaemia	10		32.5		7,5	
Thrombopenia	5		15		0	
Neutropenia	12.5		20		32.5	
Febrile neutropenia	7.5 (1†)		0		0	
<b>Non-haematological toxicity (%)</b>	<b>All grades</b>	<b>Grade <math>\geq</math> 3</b>	<b>All grades</b>	<b>Grade <math>\geq</math> 3</b>	<b>All grades</b>	<b>Grade <math>\geq</math> 3</b>
Nausea/vomiting	52.5	5	37.5	2.5	55	0
Constipation	45	0	32.5	0	45	0
Diarrhea	35	7.5	17.5	0	35	2.5
Neuropathy sensory	55	5	7.5	0	32.5	7.5
Total alopecia	32.5	0	2.5	0	15	0
Fatigue	70	10	72.5	7.5	85	10
Pain	42.5	5	47.5	2.5	50	0
General physical health deterioration	2.5	2.5 (1†)	10.0	0	2.5	2.5(1†)
<b>Treatment stopping due to toxicity N (%)</b>	<b>8 (20)</b>		<b>6 (15)</b>		<b>9 (22.5)</b>	

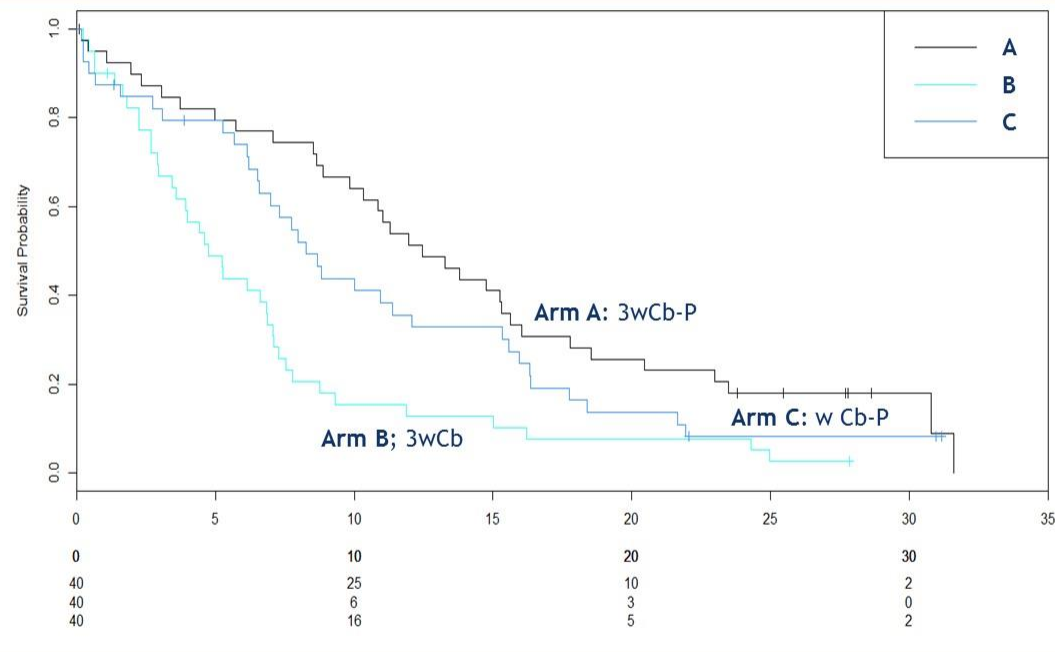
# EWOC-1 treatment stopping: other reasons



Reason	Arm A (3wCb-P) N (%)	Arm B (3wCb) N (%)	Arm C (wCb-P) N (%)
Lack of efficacy	3 (7.5)	12 (30)*	2 (5)
Other	0 (0)	2 (5)	2 (5)
Consent withdrawal	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (5)

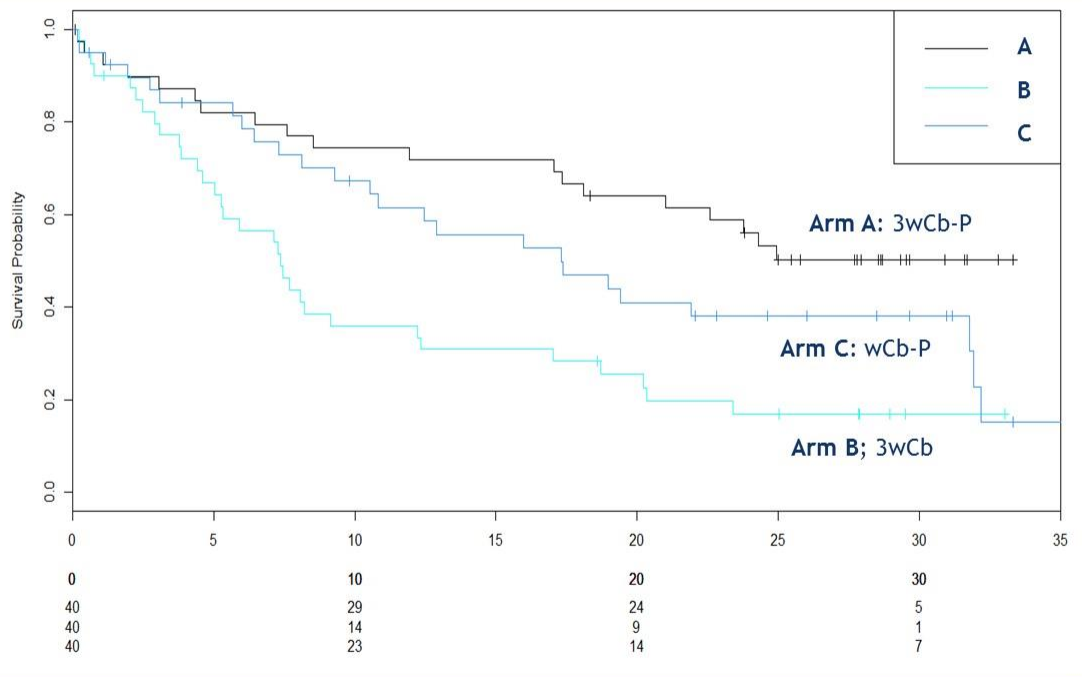
\* p = 0.003

# EWOC-1 Progression-free survival



	Arm A	Arm B	Arm C
Events, N (%)	34 (85)	38 (95)	34 (85)
Median, mos (95% CI)	12.5 (10.3 - 15.3)	4.8 (3.6-15.3)	8.3 (6.6-15.3)
HR (95% CI)	1 (REF)	<b>2.51</b> (1.56,4.04)	1.41 (0.87,2.28)
P Wald test	-	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.162
P Log-Rank	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>		

# EWOC-1 Overall survival



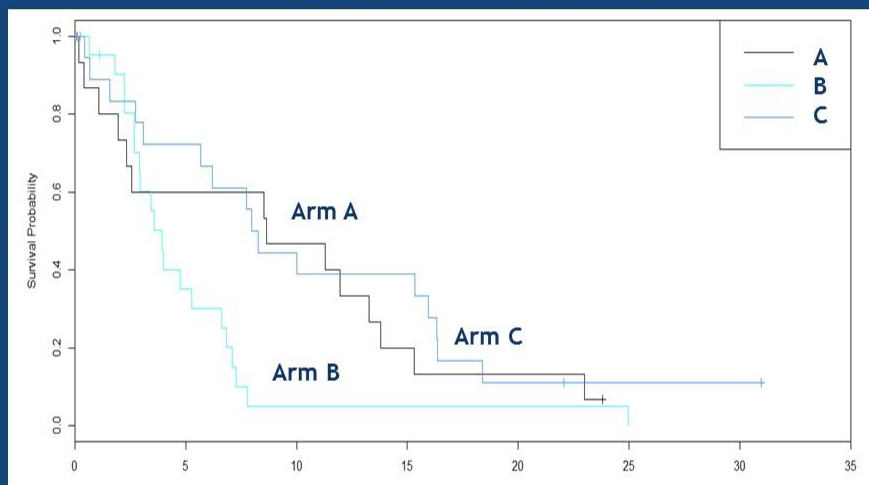
	Arm A	Arm B	Arm C
Events, N (%)	19 (47)	32 (80)	25 (62)
Median, mos (95% CI)	NR (21 - 32.2)	7.4 (5.3 - 32.2)	17.3 (10.8 - 32.2)
HR (95% CI)	1 (REF)	2.79 (1.57, 4.96)	1.6 (0.88, 2.92)
P Wald test	-	< 0.001	0.123
P Log-Rank	0.001		

NR: Not reached

# The carboplatin single agent arm is also worse even for the most vulnerable patients (GVS 4 & 5)

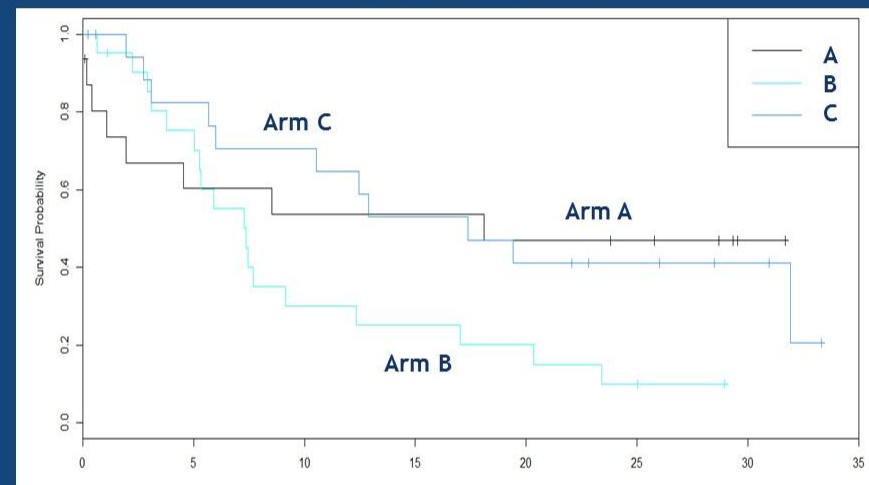


Progression-free survival



	Arm A	Arm B	Arm C
Events, N (%)	14 (88)	20 (95)	16 (84)
Median, mos (95% CI)	8.7 (2.3 - 16.4)	3.9 (2.9 - 16.4)	8.1 (5.7 - 16.4)
HR (95% CI)	1 (REF)	2.34 (1.44,3.8)	1.31 (0.8,2.14)
P wald test	-	< 0,001	0,29
P log-rank		0.002	

Overall survival



	Arm A	Arm B	Arm C
Events, N (%)	8 (50)	18 (86)	11 (58)
Median, mos (95% CI)	18.1 (3 - NA)	7.4 (5.3 - NA)	17.4 (10.5 - NA)
HR (95% CI)	1 (REF)	2.61 (1.46,4.68)	1.53 (0.83,2.82)
P wald test	-	0,001	0,18
P log-rank		0.003	



# EWOC-1 conclusions



- Compared to 3-weekly and weekly carboplatin-paclitaxel regimens, carboplatin single agent was less active with significant worse survival outcome in vulnerable older pts with GVS  $\geq 3$
- These findings were also observed in the most vulnerable patients (GVS 4 & 5)

**Even vulnerable older ovarian cancer patients should be offered a carboplatin-paclitaxel regimen**

# A randomized phase 3 trial of paclitaxel (P) plus carboplatin (C) versus paclitaxel plus ifosfamide (I) in chemotherapy-naive patients with stage I-IV, persistent or recurrent carcinosarcoma of the uterus or ovary: An NRG Oncology trial.

Matthew A. Powell, Virginia L. Filiaci, Martee L. Hensley, Helen Q Huang, Kathleen N. Moore, Krishnansu S. Tewari, Larry J. Copeland, Angeles Alvarez Secord, David G Mutch, Alessandro Santin, William Richards, David Philip Warshal, Nicola M. Spirtos, Paul Disilverstro, Olga Ioffe, David S. Miller



# Schema

## GOG 261

Stage I-IV, Persistent or Recurrent Uterine, Fallopian Tube, Peritoneum or Ovarian Carcinosarcoma (chemotherapy-naïve)

Patients may have prior pelvic and/or vaginal radiation therapy

### Stratification:

- History of Pelvic Radiation
- Disease Status/Stage at time of Study registration
- Measurable Disease

\* Initial dose reduced to Paclitaxel 135 mg/m<sup>2</sup> and Carboplatin (AUC=5) if prior whole pelvic radiotherapy (may be escalated if patient tolerates lower dose)  
\*\* Initial dose reduced to Ifosfamide 1.2 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day x 3 days if prior whole pelvic radiotherapy (subsequent dosing MAY INCREASE OR DECREASE EACH CYCLE BASED ON NADIR COUNTS)

\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE THAT REGIMEN II UTILIZES DOSE ESCALATIONS

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### Regimen I

Paclitaxel 175 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV over 3 hours day 1  
Carboplatin (AUC=6\*) IV day 1

Repeat q 3 weeks x 6 cycles (up to 4 additional cycles may be given to patients who entered study with measurable disease and have partial response after 6 cycles)

### Regimen II

Ifosfamide 1.6 g/m<sup>2</sup>\*\* IV days 1, 2, 3, Mesna\*\*\*  
Paclitaxel 135 mg/m<sup>2</sup> by 3-hour infusion on day 1

Repeat q 3 weeks x 6 cycles (up to 4 additional cycles may be given to patients who entered study with measurable disease and have partial response after 6 cycles)

G-CSF Support: Filgrastim or Pegfilgrastim beginning day 4-6

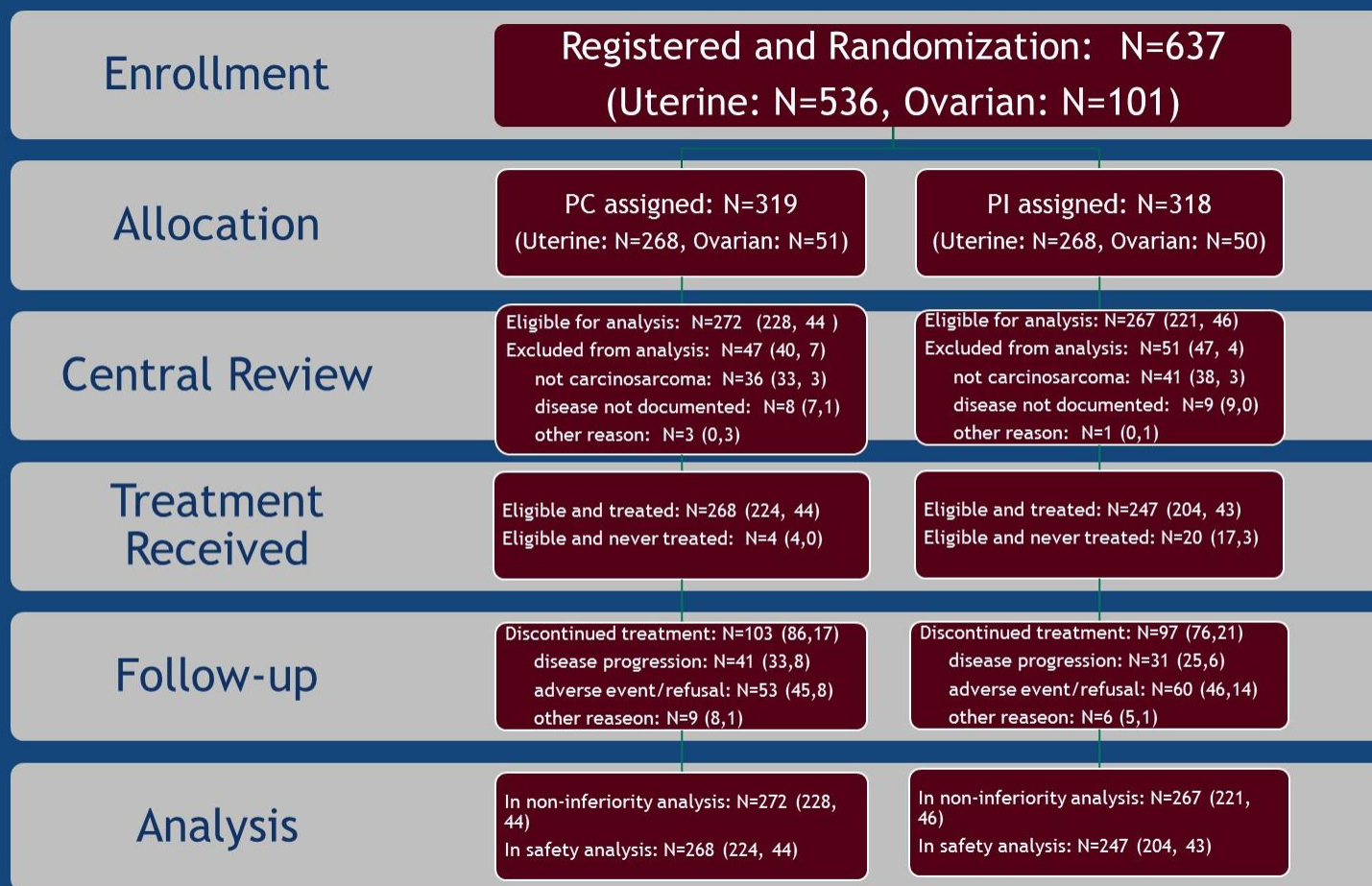
Activated: 08/17/2009

Closed to accrual: 03/24/2014

# GOG 0261 Statistical Design: intention-to-treat analysis among eligible patients non-inferiority design

- Primary endpoint: OS
- Secondary endpoints: PFS, AEs, QOL
- Planned sample size: 364
- type I error is limited to 5% for a one-tail stratified log rank test of inferiority (HR=1.2 relative to the ifosfamide and paclitaxel arm) with 80% power.
- Pre-planned interim analysis of survival for efficacy

# Consort diagram



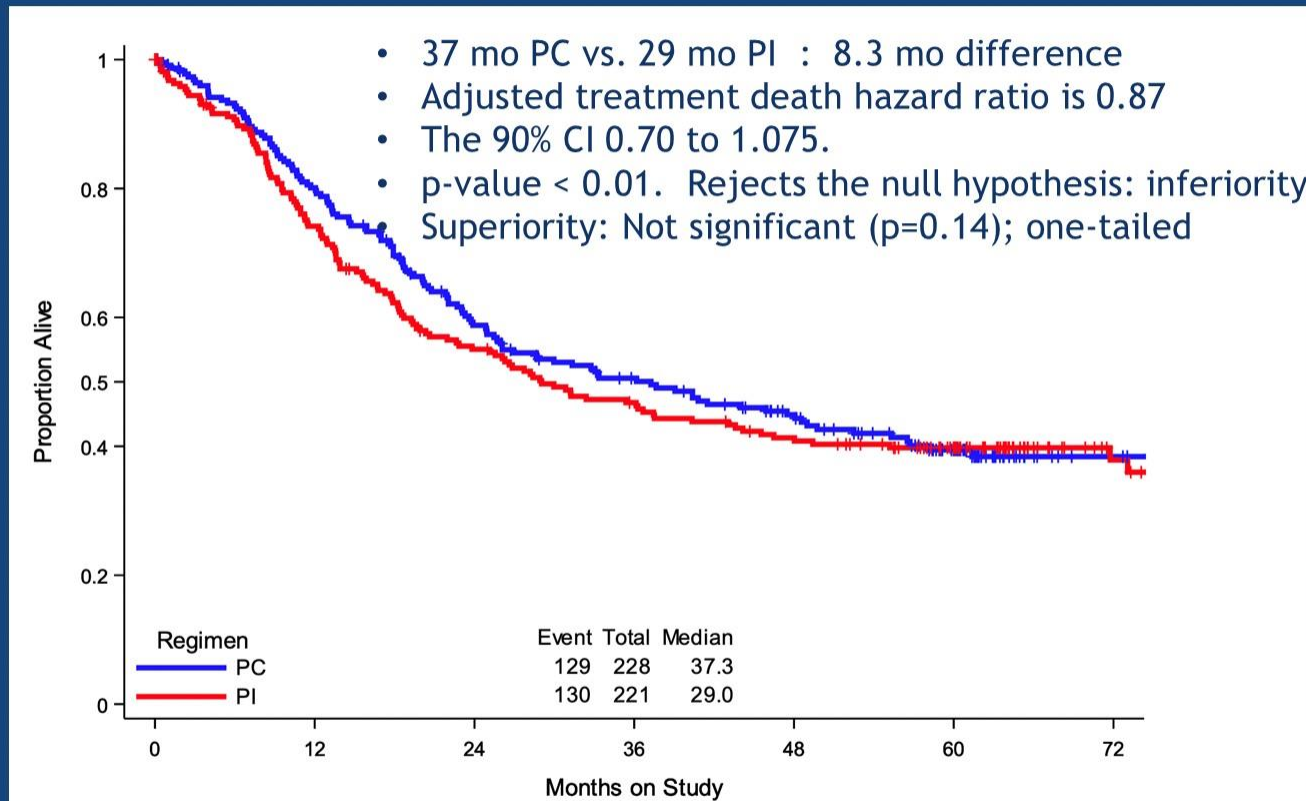
# GOG 0261: Patient Characteristics (Uterine) Cohort

Characteristic	Regimen				Total	
	PC		PI			
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Age (median)	65		64			
BMI (median)	30.4		30.7			
Race						
White	150	65.8	133	60.2	283	63.0
Black/African American	66	28.9	72	32.6	138	30.7
Asian	9	3.9	9	4.1	18	4.0
Am Indian/Alaskan Native	2	0.9	1	0.5	3	0.7
Performance Status						
0	149	65.4	119	53.8	268	59.7
1	68	29.8	94	42.5	162	36.1
2	11	4.8	8	3.6	19	4.2
Primary Site						
Uterine Corpus	228	100.0	221	100.0	449	100.0
Disease status (verified)						
Clin/Surg Stage I/II	103	45.2	102	46.2	205	45.7
Stage III/IV	106	46.5	103	46.6	209	46.5
Recurrent/Persistent	19	8.3	16	7.2	35	7.8
Prior RT (verified)						
No	197	86.4	192	86.9	389	86.6
Yes	31	13.6	29	13.1	60	13.4
Measurable Disease (verified)						
No	153	67.1	147	66.5	300	66.8
Yes	75	32.9	74	33.5	149	33.2

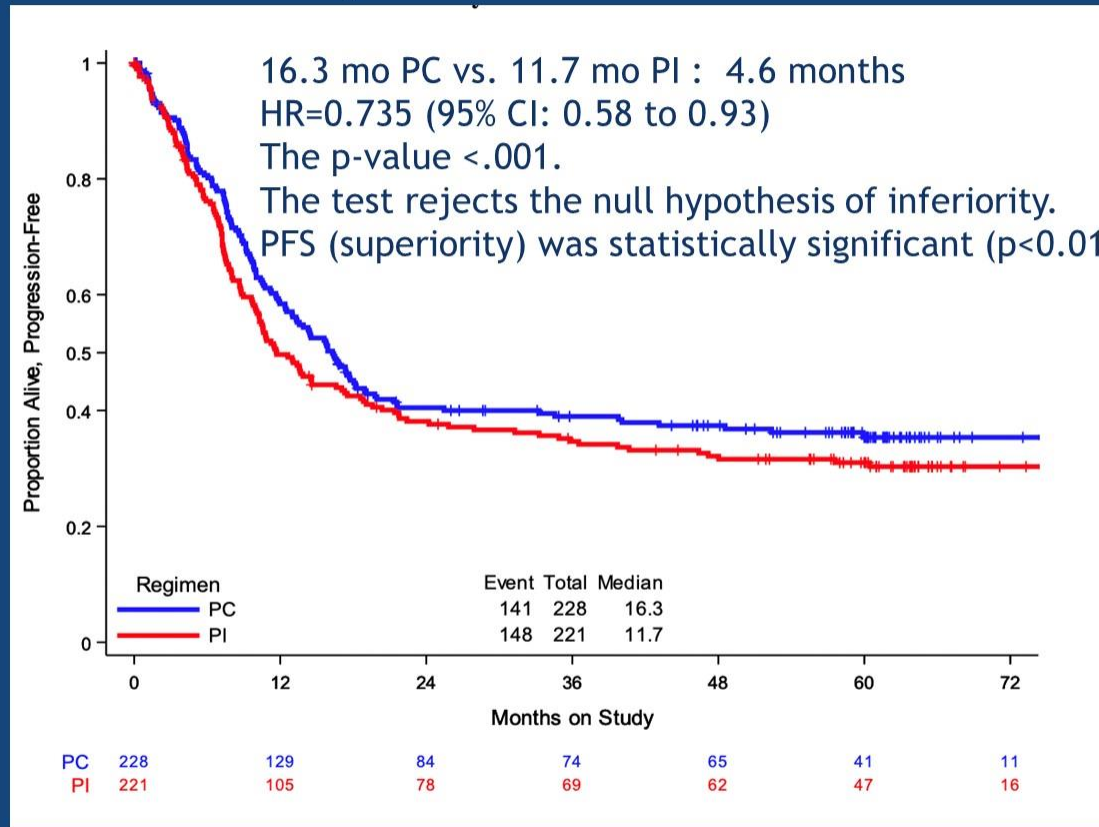
	Regimen			
	PC		PI	
	N	%	N	%
Number of cycles				
0 cycles	4	1.8	17	7.7
1-3 cycles	44	19.3	33	14.9
4-6 cycles	160	70.2	159	71.9
7-10 cycles	20	8.8	12	5.4
Total	228	50.8	221	49.2

Protocol Violations	Paclitaxel, Carboplatin		Ifosfamide Paclitaxel	
	N	%	N	%
	Minor	38	14.2	55
Major	21	7.8	32	11.9

# GOG 0261: Primary Outcome Uterine Cohort: OS



# GOG 0261: Secondary Outcomes Uterine Cohort: PFS





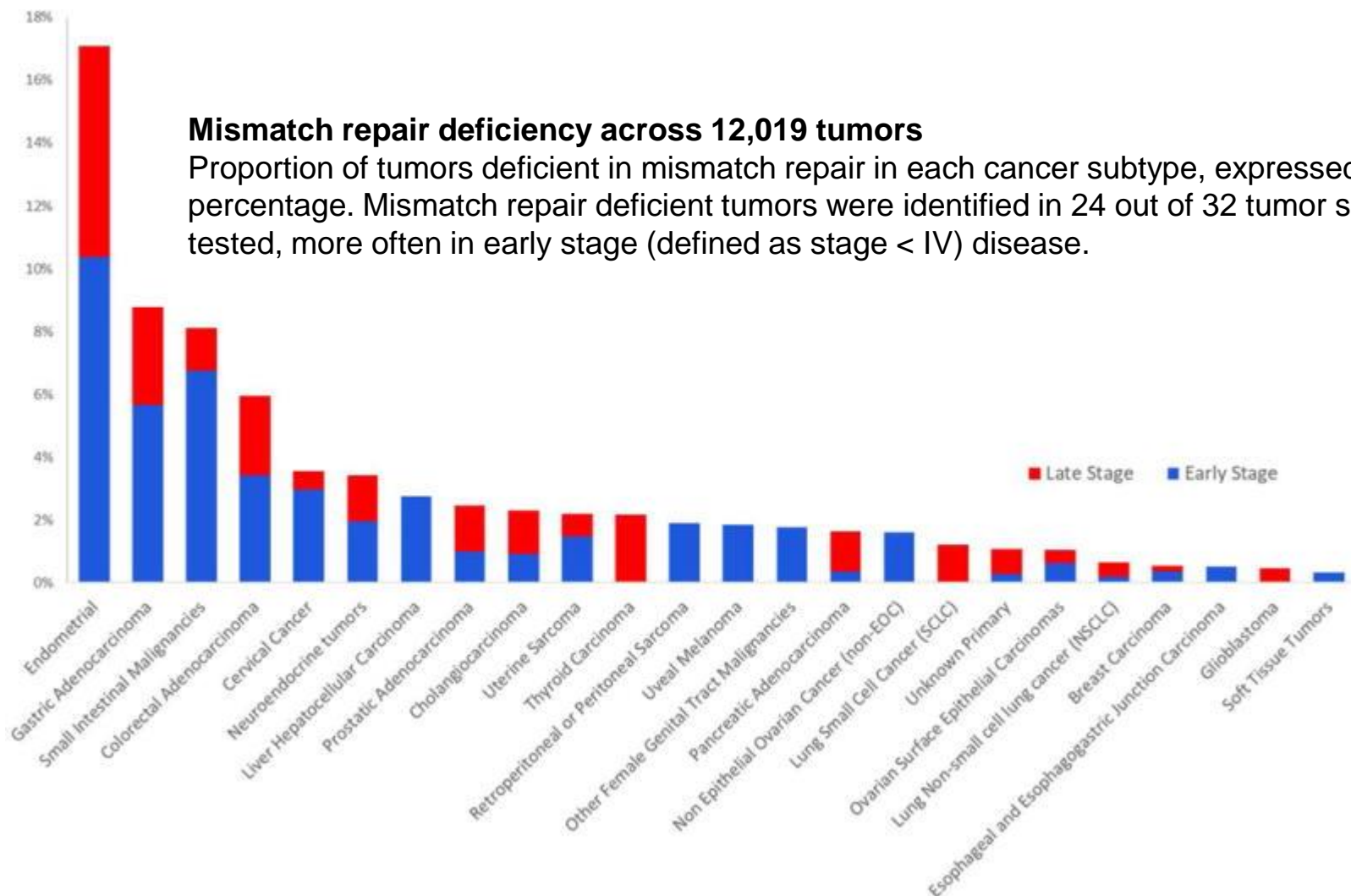
# Conclusions

- PC not-inferior to PI with trend towards improved Overall Survival
- Superior PFS for the PC regimen
- Similar predictable toxicity and QOL
- PC regimen likely less expensive (1 day vs 3; limited use of expensive growth factors)
  
- These results establish a new standard regimen for women with Carcinosarcoma

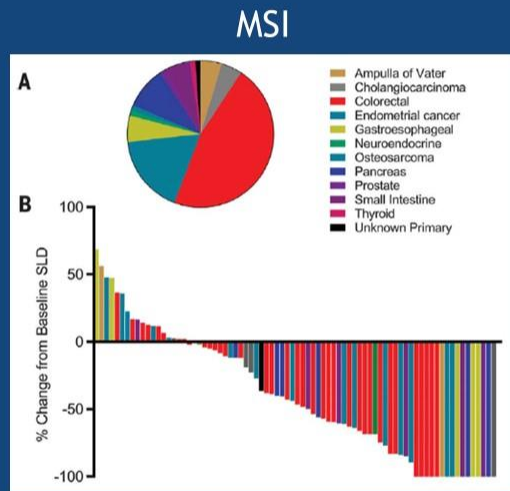
# Cancers deficient in mismatch repair (MMR) contain exceptionally high numbers of somatic mutations

## Mismatch repair deficiency across 12,019 tumors

Proportion of tumors deficient in mismatch repair in each cancer subtype, expressed as a percentage. Mismatch repair deficient tumors were identified in 24 out of 32 tumor subtypes tested, more often in early stage (defined as stage < IV) disease.

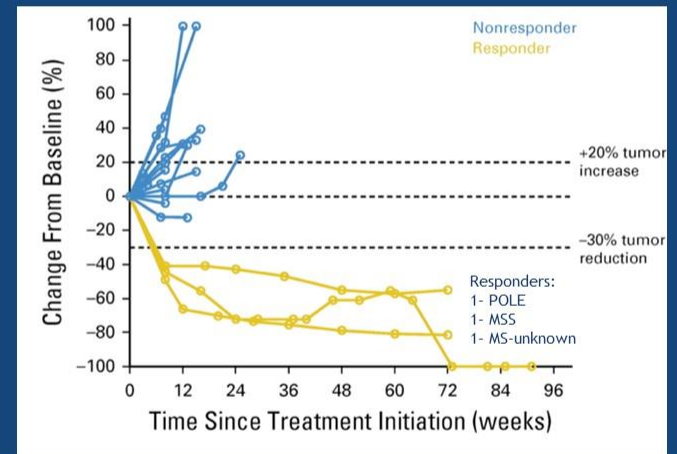


# Response to single-agent PD-1 blockade in endometrial cancer



Endometrial cohort (n=15)  
 CR: 3 (20%)  
 PR: 5 (33%)  
 SD: 3 (20%)

## Non-MSI Endometrial (PD-L1+)



ORR 13%

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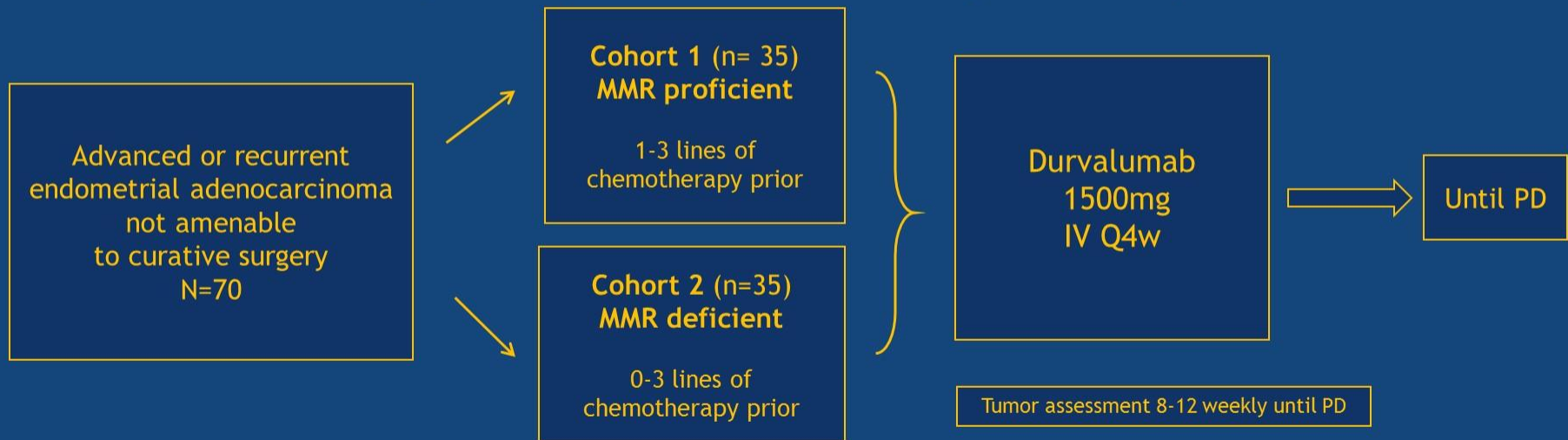
# Phase 2 trial of Durvalumab in Advanced Endometrial cancer (PHAEDRA)

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# Study Schema

Design: Open-label, multicentre, Phase II, non-comparative trial with 2 cohorts

- MMR proficient (normal MMR protein expression on IHC)
- MMR deficient (loss of expression of at least one MMR protein on IHC)



Aim: To determine the activity and safety of durvalumab in advanced Endometrial Cancer

# Primary objective: OTRR (iRECIST)

	dMMR (n =35)	pMMR (n=35)
OTRR	15 (43%)	1 (3%)
DCR	23 (66%)	10 (29%)
CR	5 (14%)	0 (0%)
PR	10 (29%)	1 (3%)
SD	8 (23%)	9 (26%)
Non-evaluable*	0 (0%)	1 (3%)

1 non-evaluable as no RECIST assessment after registration  
dMMR- MMR deficient, pMMR- MMR proficient

OTRR: Objective Tumor Response Rate    DCR: Disease Control Rate

# Numbers of patients with adverse events

All AEs	N =71	
All grade	64	24
Immune-related AEs	Any grade	≥ Grade 3
Hyperthyroidism	8	0
Hypothyroidism	7	0
Hepatitis	1	1
Pneumonitis	2	0
No. of patients who had treatment-related AEs	14 patients	1 patient

# Phase 2, two-group, two-stage study of avelumab in patients (pts) with microsatellite stable (MSS), microsatellite instable (MSI), and polymerase epsilon (*POLE*) mutated recurrent/persistent endometrial cancer (EC) – (NCT02912572)

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# Avelumab Confirmed Objective Response and PFS6

RESPONSE	Patients, No	
	MMRD cohort (N=15)	MMRP/non-POLE Cohort (N=16)
<b>Best Overall Response</b>		
CR	1	0
PR	3	1
SD	4	4
PD	4	9
Not evaluable	3	2
<b>ORR, % (95% CI)</b>	<b>26.7 (7.8-55.1)</b>	<b>6.25 (0.16-30.2)</b>
<b>PFS6 Response</b>		
Yes	6	1
No	9	15
<b>PFS6 Response, %</b>	<b>40 (16.3-66.7)</b>	<b>6.25 (0.16-30.2)</b>

## Treatment-Related AEs of any grade in $\geq 10\%$ of pts OR grade $\geq 3$

Toxicity	Maximum Grade						Total	
	1		2		3			
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>Fatigue</b>	10	32.3	1	3.2	0	0	11	35.5
<b>Nausea</b>	5	16.1	0	0	0	0	5	16.1
<b>Hypothyroidism</b>	1	3.2	2	6.5	1	3.2	4	12.9
<b>Neutrophil count decreased</b>	4	12.9	0	0	0	0	4	12.9
<b>Anemia</b>	1	3.2	0	0	2	6.5	3	9.7
<b>Diarrhea</b>	0	0	1	3.2	2	6.5	3	9.7
<b>Rash acneiform</b>	1	3.2	0	0	1	3.2	2	6.5
<b>Sinus bradycardia</b>	0	0	0	0	1	3.2	1	3.2
<b>Myositis</b>	0	0	0	0	1	3.2	1	3.2

# Conclusions

- Checkpoint inhibitors active in dMMR EC
  - Avelumab and durvalumab are active in dMMR EC
- Checkpoint inhibitors as monotherapy show minimal activity in pMMR EC
  - Avelumab and durvalumab monotherapy did not demonstrate activity in pMMR EC
- dMMR status by IHC correlates with response to avelumab and durvalumab
- Routine use of IHC in EC when considering ICB therapy is supported
- Durable responses were observed irrespective of PD-L1 status (avelumab), multiple prior lines of therapy and somatic or germline origin of dMMR
- Biomarkers of response/mechanisms of resistance to ICB in EC need to be optimally defined and validated
- In pMMR EC checkpoint inhibitor combinations and checkpoint inhibitor-targeted therapy combination approaches should be explored