

# Sequencing drugs in mCRPC

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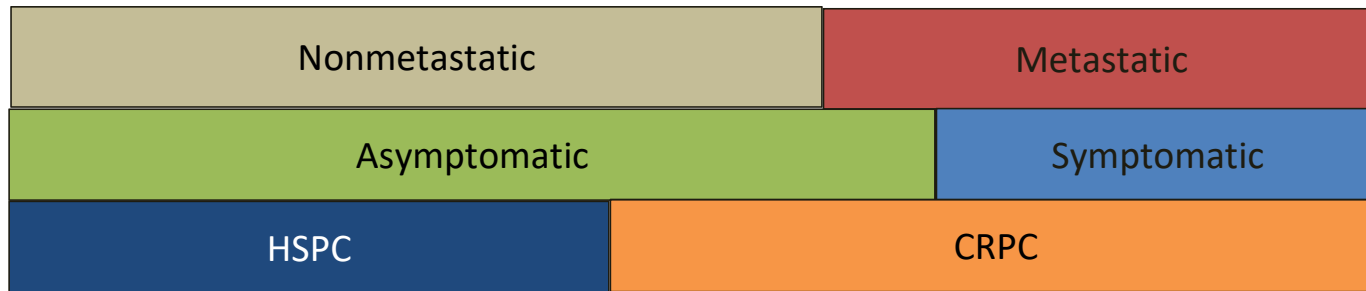
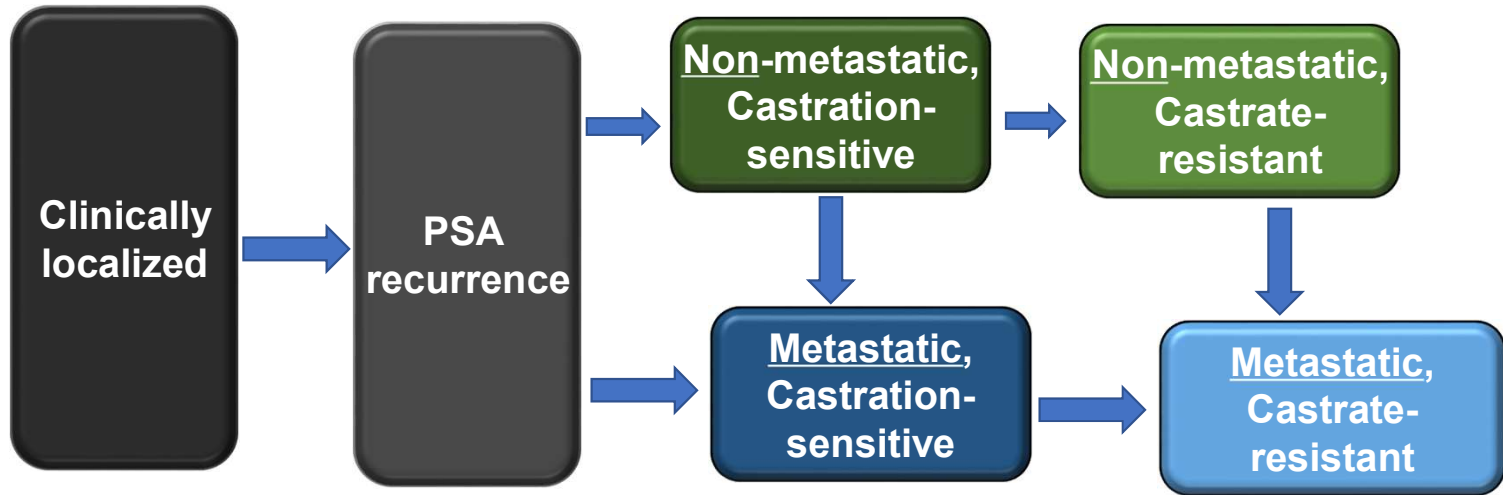
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- Clinical trials support with Bayer, Janssen

# Clinical States of Prostate Cancer



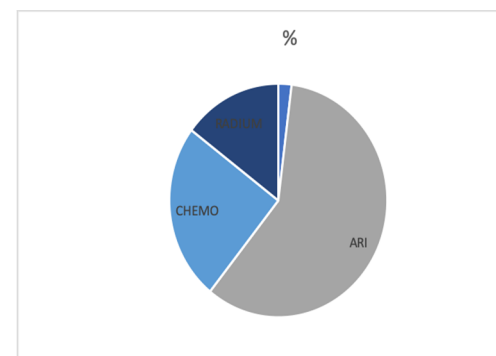
**AR Activation** →

# Overview of Current Main Treatment Options for CRPC

Nonmetastatic	Metastatic, asymptomatic/min sx	Metastatic chemotherapy naive	Metastatic, post docetaxel
Enzalutamide	Abiraterone	Docetaxel	Abiraterone
Apalutamide	Enzalutamide	Radium 223	Enzalutamide
Daralutamide	Sipuleucel-T	Abiraterone	Cabazitaxel
		Enzalutamide	Radium 223
		Strontium 89	Sipuleucel-T
		Samarium 153	Mitoxantrone
		Mitoxantrone	

- Extends survival time (level 1 evidence)
- Pain palliation only (level 1 evidence)
- No level 1 evidence for outcome benefit

CLASSES OF DRUGS



# Sequencing Drugs in CRPC



No level 1 evidence  
about the right  
sequence



Cross Resistance  
between ARI



Cross Resistance  
between  
chemotherapeutics



Delay time between  
the agents



Symptomatic vs  
asymptomatic



Bone disease vs non  
bone disease

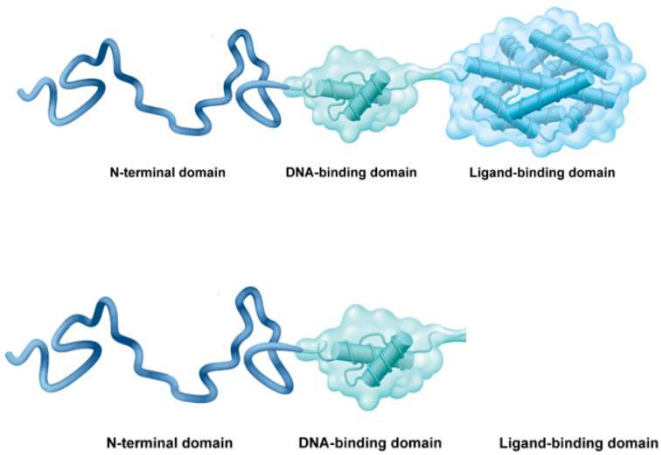
# Cross Resistance

			Abi/Enza.	60-78%	16-18
Ref	First Rx	Second	N	>50% PSA (%)	PFS mos
Loriot 2013 Ann Oncol	Enza	Abi	38	8	2.7
Noonan 2013 Ann Oncol	Enza	Abi	30	4	3.5
Schrader 2014 Eur Urol	Abi	Enza	35	28	-
Bianchini 2014 Eur J Cancer	Abi	Enza	39	12	2.8
Thomsen 2014 Sc J Can	Abi	Enza	24	17	
Petrelli 2015 Clin GU Can	Abi	Enza	536	22	3.1
Cheng 2015 Pros Can Proc	Abi	Enza	165	17	2.8
Azad 2015 Eur Urol	Abi	Enza	68	22	4.6

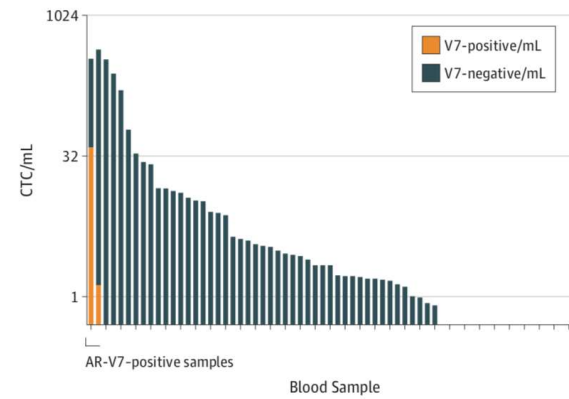
# Sequence examples in CRPC

State	nmCRPC	HSPC	CRPC			
			Bone only			
ARI start	Apalutamide/ Enzalutamide Daralutamide		Docetaxel	Radium-223	Abiraterone	Cabazitaxel
Chemo start		Docetaxel	Abiraterone	Radium-223	Cabazitaxel	Enzalutamide
ARI start		Abiraterone/ Enzalutamide Apalutamide	Docetaxel	Radium 223	Enzalutamide Abiraterone	Cabazitaxel
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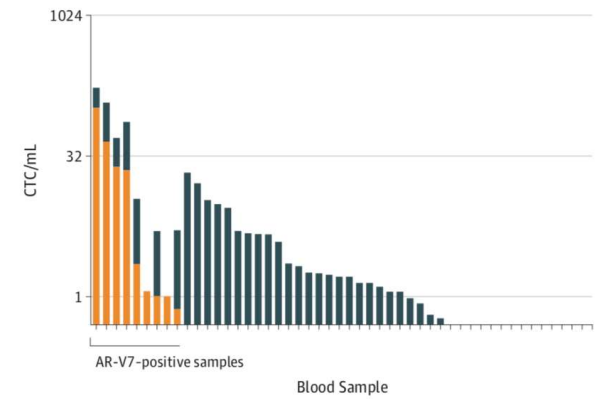
# ARV-7 Spice Variant



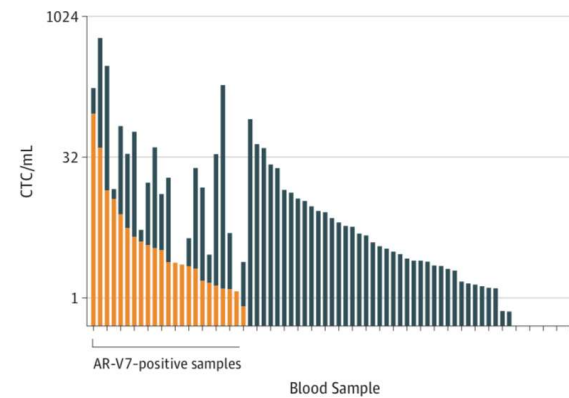
**A** First line (n=67)



**B** Second line (n=50)



**C** Third or greater line (n=74)



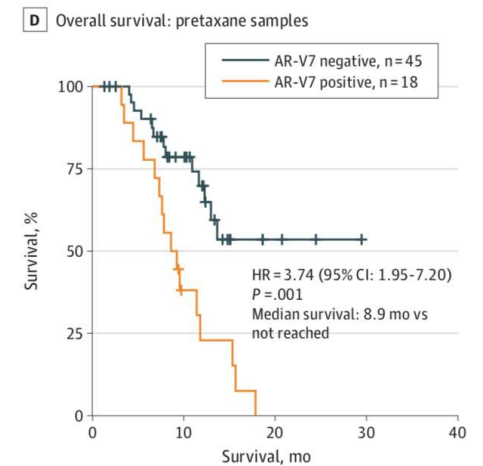
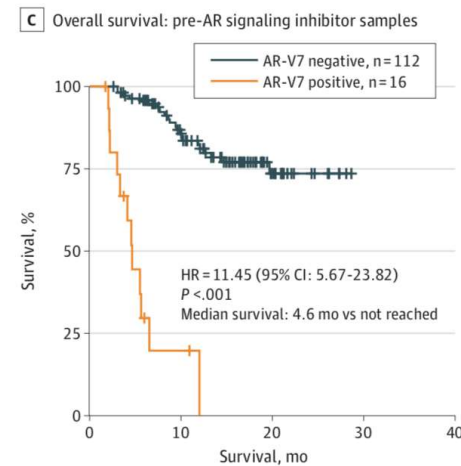
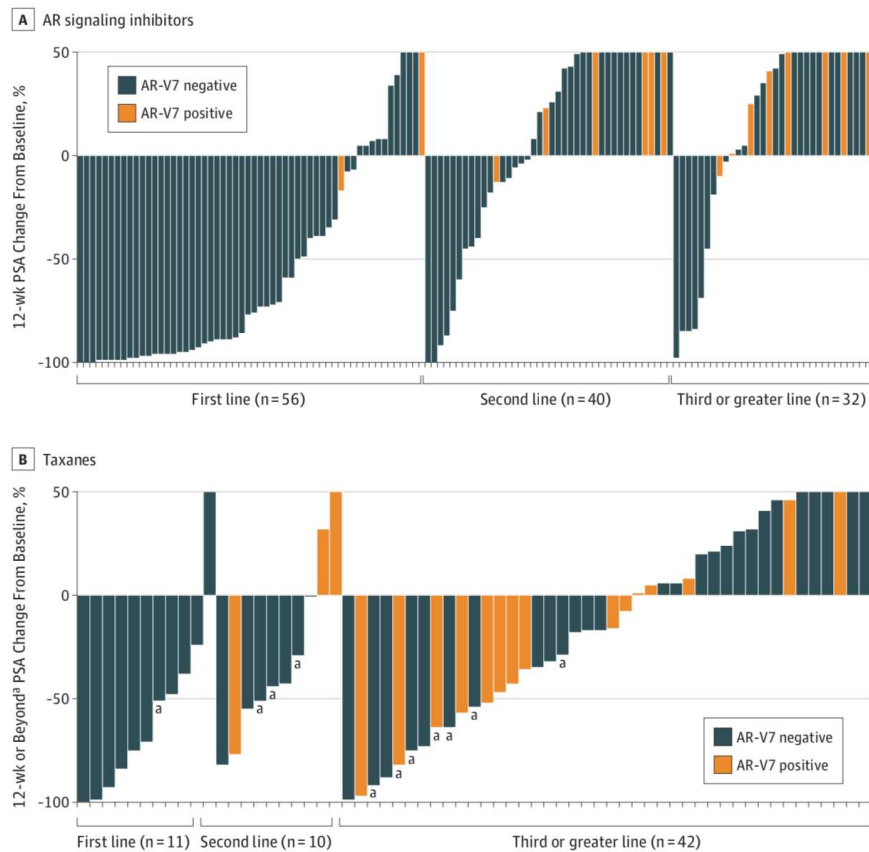
**D** Incidence and subclonal contribution of AR-V7-positive CTCs by line of therapy

Line of Tx in mCRPC setting (n samples)	First (n=67)	Second (n=50)	Third or greater (n=74)
Samples with AR-V7-positive CTCs	2 (3%)	9 (18%)	23 (31%)
AR-V7-positive CTCs in samples with AR-V7-positive CTCs, %, median (range)	5.7% (0.3%-11.2%)	38% (14.3%-100%)	21% (0.5%-100%)

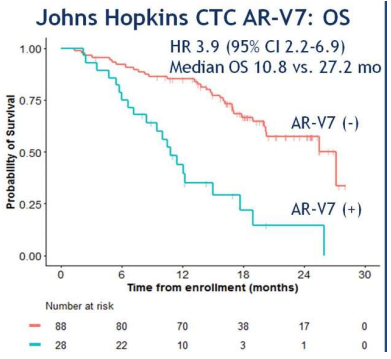
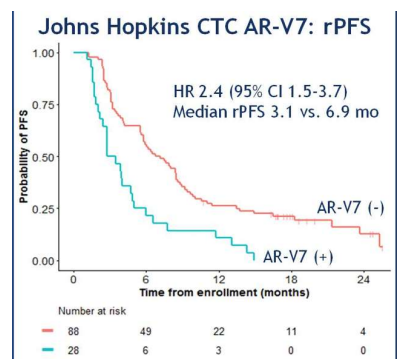
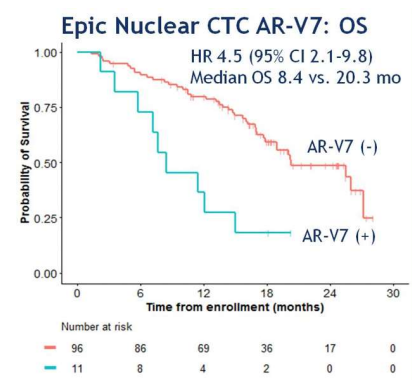
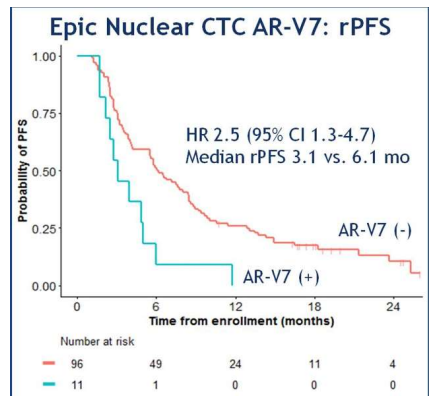


# ARV-7 and PSA responses to ARI/Taxanes

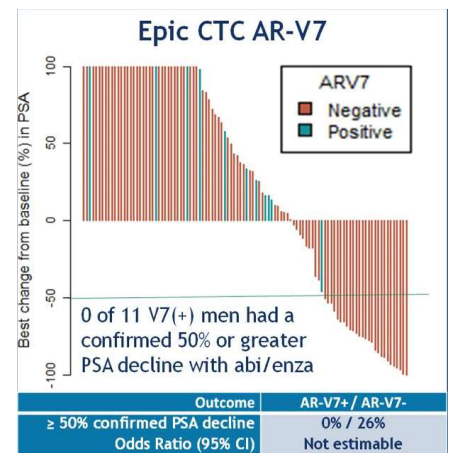
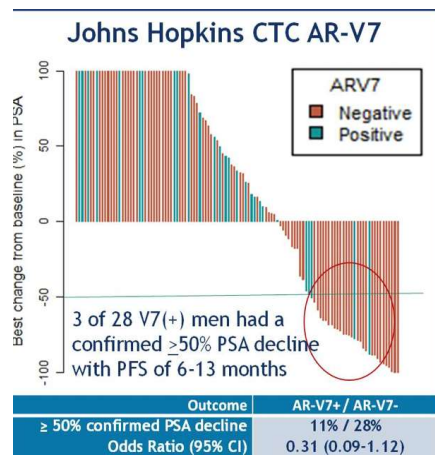
Figure 3. Presence of AR-V7-Positive CTCs and Response to AR Signaling Inhibitors



# Prophecy : Prospective trial ARV7



CTC Test	Pre-Specified Positive Test
JHU CTC AR-V7 Adnatest (RNA)	EpCAM selected, AR/PSA/PSMA+ CTC RNA with detectable AR-V7 mRNA at <36.14 RT-PCR cycles (2)
Epic CTC AR-V7 nuclear protein	Presence of CTCs (CK+ or -) expressing nuclear AR-V7 protein (1)



# Germline DNA-Repair Gene Mutations in Men With Metastatic Prostate Cancer

- Analysis of 20 DNA-repair genes in men with mPC (N = 692)
  - 82 men (11.8%) had total of 84 germline mutations across 16 DNA-repair genes
  - DNA-repair gene mutations less common in locally advanced prostate cancer (4.6%)
    - Unclear association with family history!

Most Frequently Mutated Genes in mPC,* %	Prevalence
<i>BRCA2</i>	5.35
<i>CHEK2</i>	1.87
<i>ATM</i>	1.59
<i>BRCA1</i>	0.87
<i>GEN1</i>	0.46
<i>RAD51D</i>	0.43
<i>PALB2</i>	0.43

BRCA1/2: higher gleasons, increase metastases and worse OS; CSS 8.6 yrs vs 15.7 years

### Screening

Identification of a deleterious somatic or germline alteration in HRR gene\*

#### HRR genes

*BRCA1* *BARD1* *FANCA* *RAD51B*  
*BRCA2* *BRIP1* *NBN* *RAD51C*  
*ATM* *CDK12* *PALB2* *RAD51D*  
*CHEK2* *RAD51* *RAD54L*



### Key eligibility criteria

- mCRPC
- Deleterious somatic or germline alteration in HRR gene
- Disease progression on AR-directed therapy (eg, abiraterone, enzalutamide, or apalutamide) for PC **and** 1 prior taxane-based chemotherapy for CRPC
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- No prior PARP inhibitor, mitoxantrone, cyclophosphamide, or platinum-based chemotherapy

### Treatment

28-day cycles

Rucaparib 600 mg BID

- Tumour assessments every 8 weeks for 24 weeks, then every 12 weeks
- PSA assessments every 4 weeks

Treatment until radiographic progression or discontinuation for other reason

### Primary endpoints†

- Patients with measurable disease at baseline: confirmed ORR per modified RECIST<sup>‡</sup>/PCWG3 by central assessment
- Patients with no measurable disease at baseline: confirmed PSA response (≥50% decrease) rate<sup>§</sup>

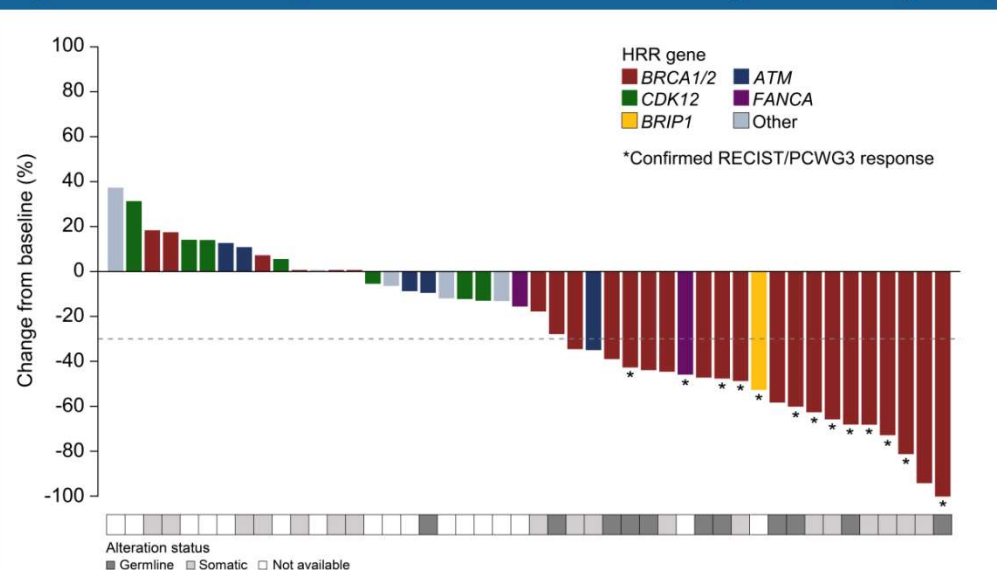
Chowdhury et al, ESMO 2018

**Table 2. Confirmed Investigator-Assessed ORR in Evaluable Patients**

Characteristic	By HRR gene with alteration			
	<i>BRCA1/2</i> (n=25)	<i>ATM</i> (n=5)	<i>CDK12</i> (n=8)	Other (n=8)
ORR, n (%) [95% CI] <sup>a</sup>	11 (44.0%) [24.4–65.1]	0 [0.0–52.2]	0 [0.0–36.9]	2 (25.0%) [3.2–65.1]
Complete response, n (%)	0	0	0	0
Partial response, n (%)	11 (44.0%)	0	0	2 (25.0%) <sup>b</sup>
Stable disease, n (%)	9 (36.0%)	4 (80.0%)	5 (62.5%)	5 (62.5%)
Progressive disease, n (%)	4 (16.0%)	1 (20.0%)	2 (25.0%)	1 (12.5%)
Not evaluable, n (%)	1 (4.0%)	0	1 (12.5%)	0

Visit cutoff date: 29 June 2018.  
 Includes patients who had measurable disease at baseline per the investigator and ≥16 weeks of follow-up or who discontinued treatment.  
<sup>a</sup>Per modified RECIST/PCWG3 criteria.  
<sup>b</sup>One patient had a *BRIP1* alteration and 1 patient had a *FANCA* alteration.  
 CI, confidence interval; HRR, homologous recombination repair; ORR, objective response rate; PCWG3, Prostate Cancer Clinical Trials Working Group 3; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors version 1.1.

**Figure 3. Best Change from Baseline in Sum of Target Lesions (n=46)**



# TOPARP-B: Phase 2 randomized trial with olaparib with DDR alterations

## Results: Primary Endpoint Analyses

- 98 randomized, 92 evaluable for primary endpoint analysis (6 found ineligible/not evaluable and excluded as per SAP/IDMC).

	Total (n=92)			Dose group					
				300mg (n=46)			400mg (n=46)		
	resp/n	%	95% CI	resp/n	%	95% CI	resp/n	%	95% CI
<b>Composite Response (confirmed)</b>	<b>43/92</b>	<b>46.7%</b>	<b>36.3-57.4</b>	<b>18/46</b>	<b>39.1%</b>	<b>25.1-54.6</b>	<b>25/46</b>	<b>54.3%</b>	<b>39.0-69.1</b>
RECIST Response	14/70	20.0%	11.4-31.3	6/37	16.2%	6.2-32.0	8/33	24.2%	11.1-42.3
PSA Response ≥50%	30/89	33.7%	24.0-44.5	13/43	30.2%	17.2-46.1	17/46	37.0%	23.2-52.5
CTC conversion	28/55	50.9%	37.1-64.6	13/27	48.1%	28.7-68.1	15/28	53.6%	33.9-72.5
RECIST / PSA response	32/92	34.8%	25.1-45.4	13/46	28.3%	16.0-43.5	19/46	41.3%	27.0-56.8

Per design, ≥19 “composite responses” needed in either arm to recommend dose → 400 mg BID cohort meet threshold → biomarker identified in TOPARP-A is considered validated.



## Results: Various DDR

	Group 1: BRCA1/2 (n=30)		Group 2: ATM (n=19)		Group 3: CDK12 (n=20)		Group 4: PALB2 (n=7)		Group 5: Other (n=20)	
	resp/n	%	resp/n	%	resp/n	%	resp/n	%	resp/n	%
<b>Composite Response (confirmed)</b>	<b>25/30</b>	<b>83.3%</b>	<b>7/19</b>	<b>36.8%</b>	<b>5/20</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>4/7</b>	<b>57.1%</b>	<b>4/20</b>	<b>20.0%</b>
RECIST Objective Response	11/21	52.4%	1/12	8.3%	0/18	0.0%	2/6	33.3%	0/17	0.0%
PSA response ≥50%	23/30	76.7%	1/19	5.3%	0/20	0.0%	4/6	66.7%	2/17	11.8%
CTC conversion	17/22	77.3%	5/10	50.0%	5/12	41.7%	0/2	0.0%	3/11	27.3%
RECIST / PSA response	24/30	80.0%	2/19	10.5%	0/20	0.0%	4/7	57.1%	2/20	10.0%

Non-mutually exclusive subgroups - one patient with BRCA1/2+CDK12+Other mutations and two patients with PALB2+Other mutations included in analysis for each subgroup separately.

*Other mutations* – 4 responders with mutations in: BRCA2+CDK12+CHEK2 (CTC response), FANCA (CTC/PSA response), WRN (CTC response), CHEK2 (PSA response)

# Ongoing Trials of PARP Inhibitors in Prostate Cancer

Drug	Phase	Description	NCT #
Rucaparib	2	Rucaparib (TRITON2)	<a href="#">NCT02952534</a>
Rucaparib	3	Rucaparib vs. patient/physician choice (TRITON3)	<a href="#">NCT02975934</a>
Rucaparib	2	Rucaparib for germline HRD metastatic hormone-sensitive prostate cancer (TRIUMPH)	<a href="#">NCT03413995</a>
Rucaparib	2	Rucaparib for non-metastatic hormone-sensitive prostate cancer (ROAR)	<a href="#">NCT03533946</a>
Rucaparib	2	Rucaparib maintenance for mCRPC patients with HRD after induction docetaxel + carboplatin (PLATI-PARP)	<a href="#">NCT03442556</a>
Niraparib	2	Niraparib (GALAHAD)	<a href="#">NCT02854436</a>
Niraparib	3	Niraparib + abiraterone vs. abiraterone (cohort 1 with HRD enrichment only)	NCT03748641
Olaparib	2	Olaparib (TOPARP)	<a href="#">NCT01682772</a>
Olaparib	3	Olaparib vs. enzalutamide or abiraterone acetate (PROfound)	<a href="#">NCT02987543</a>
Olaparib	2	Olaparib vs. abiraterone vs. abiraterone + olaparib (BRCAAway)	<a href="#">NCT03012321</a>
Talazoparib	2	(TALAPRO-1)	<a href="#">NCT03148705</a>

# Profound: Olaparib in mCRPC

- **LYNPARZA<sup>®</sup> (Olaparib) Phase III Profound Trial in HRR\* Mutation-Selected Metastatic Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer Met Primary Endpoint**
- ***AstraZeneca and Merck's LYNPARZA Met the Primary Endpoint of Significantly Increasing the Time Patients Selected for BRCA1/2 or ATM Mutations Live Without Radiographic Disease Progression vs. Standard of Care Treatment (enzalutamide or abiraterone)***
- ***Press Release Aug 7, 2019***



# Beyond BRCA

- MSI-H- 3.1%
- CDK12- 6.9%
  - $\frac{3}{4}$  robust response to CPI

# KEYNOTE-365 Study Design (NCT02861573)

## Cohort A Key Eligibility Criteria

- PD ≤6 months before screening
- Docetaxel-pretreated for mCRPC
- ≤1 other previous chemotherapy and ≤2 second-generation hormonal therapies for mCRPC permitted

## End Points

- **Primary:** Safety and PSA response rate (confirmed PSA decrease ≥50%)
- **Secondary:** Time to PSA progression, ORR, DCR, CRR, rPFS, and OS

Cohort A  
Pembrolizumab (200 mg Q3W) +  
Olaparib (400 mg twice daily)

Cohort B  
Pembrolizumab + Docetaxel +  
Prednisone

Cohort C  
Pembrolizumab + Enzalutamide

Cohort D  
Pembrolizumab + Abiraterone +  
Prednisone

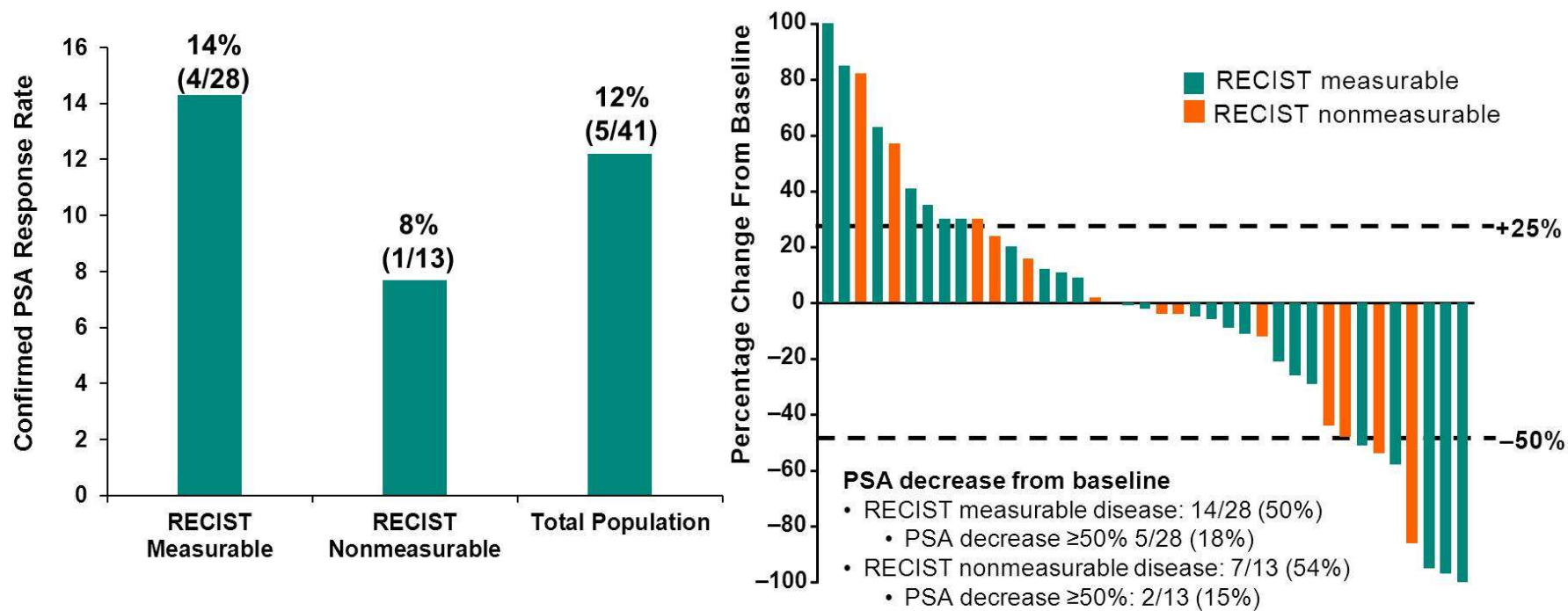
Response assessed per  
RECIST v1.1 based on PCWG3  
guidelines

- Imaging assessments Q9W through week 54, Q12W thereafter until progression
- PSA assessed Q3W until progression

Database cutoff: July 27, 2018.

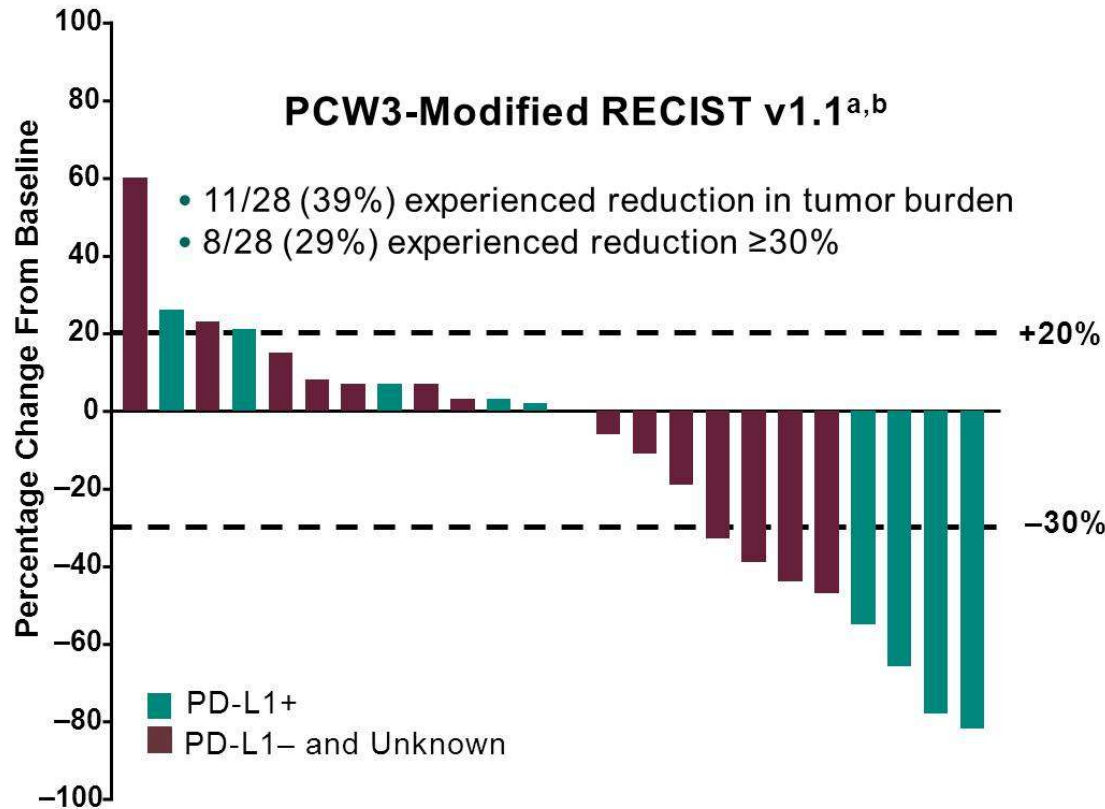
Yu at 2019 ASCO

# Confirmed PSA Response Rate and Percentage Change From Baseline<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Patients who had a baseline and postbaseline PSA assessment (n = 39). Includes confirmed and unconfirmed PSA decreases from baseline. Database cutoff: July 27, 2018.

# Best Response and Target Lesion Change From Baseline: RECIST-Measurable Disease



Confirmed Response	RECIST-Measurable Disease n = 28
ORR, % (95% CI)	7 (1-23)
DCR $\geq 6$ mo, % (95% CI)	32 (16-52)
Best response, n (%)	
CR	0
PR	2 (7)
SD of any duration	13 (46)
PD	9 (32)
Not evaluable <sup>c</sup>	0
No assessment <sup>d</sup>	4 (14)

<sup>a</sup>Based on investigator assessment. Includes confirmed and unconfirmed responses. <sup>b</sup>Patients who received  $\geq 1$  dose of study drug and had a baseline scan and a postbaseline assessment (n = 24). <sup>c</sup>Includes patients who discontinued or died before first postbaseline scan. <sup>d</sup>Includes patients with insufficient data for response assessment. Database cutoff: July 27, 2018.

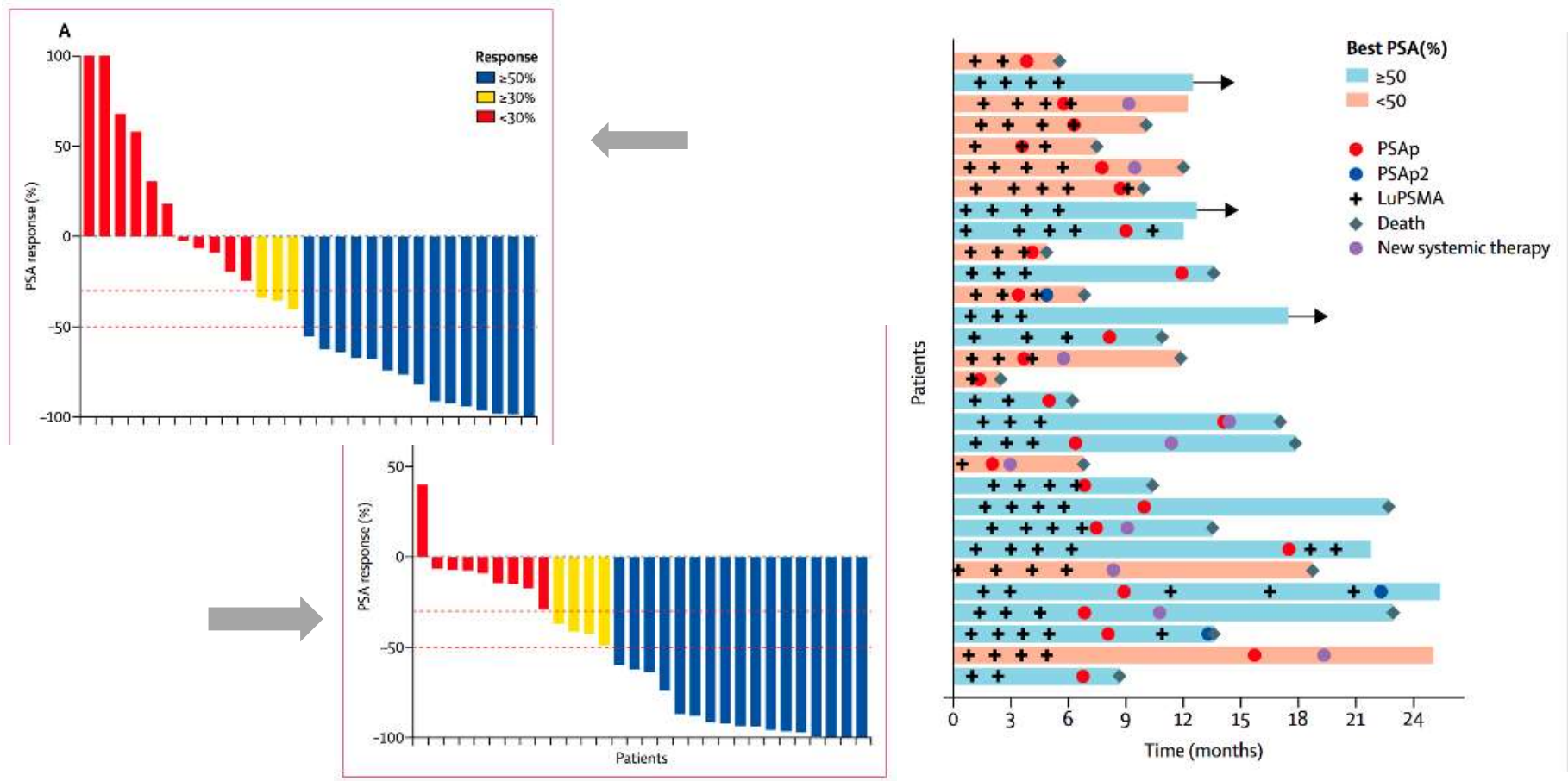
# Phase II Trial: $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA-617 in mCRPC With Progression on Standard Treatment

- N = 30 men with mCRPC, PD on SoC agents, and high PSMA expression treated at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, in Melbourne, Australia
- Treatment: 1-4 cycles IV  $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA-617 once weekly for 6 weeks
- Primary endpoints
  - PSA response (defined as > 50% decline from baseline)
  - Toxicity (per CTCAE)
  - Imaging responses (bone scan, CT, PSMA, FDG PET/CT)
  - QoL (EORTC-Q30 and BPI short form questionnaires, measured up to 3 mos following treatment)

# <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 in Progressive mCRPC: Baseline Characteristics

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>N = 30</b>	<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>N = 30</b>
Median age, yrs (range)	71 (67-75)	No. of prior chemo regimens, n (%)	
Median time since PC diag, yrs (range)	9 (5-13)	▪ 1	12 (40)
Median Gleason score at diag (range)	8 (7-9)	▪ 2	12 (40)
Median alk phos, U/L (range)	117.5 (80.8-184.5)	▪ ≥ 3	2 (7)
Hemoglobin, g/L	118 (103-127)	Previous treatment, n (%)	
LDH, U/L (range)	247 (209-304)	▪ Abiraterone, enzalutamide, or both	25 (83)
Median PSA, µg/L (range)	189.8 (80.1-372.0)	▪ Docetaxel	24 (80)
PSADT, µg/L per mo (range)	2.4 (1.4-3.5)	▪ Cabazitaxel	14 (47)
ECOG PS, n (%)		▪ Palliative radiotherapy	14 (47)
▪ 0	11 (37)	▪ Bisphosphonate or denosumab	22 (73)
▪ 1	14 (47)	Site of disease (PSMA-PET), n (%)	
▪ 2	5 (17)	▪ Bone	29 (97)
		▪ Nodal	24 (80)
		▪ Visceral	4 (13)

# $^{177}\text{Lu}$ -PSMA-617 in Progressive mCRPC: Clinical Responses



Hofman MS, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2018.



# <sup>177</sup>Lu-PSMA-617 in Progressive mCRPC: Toxicities

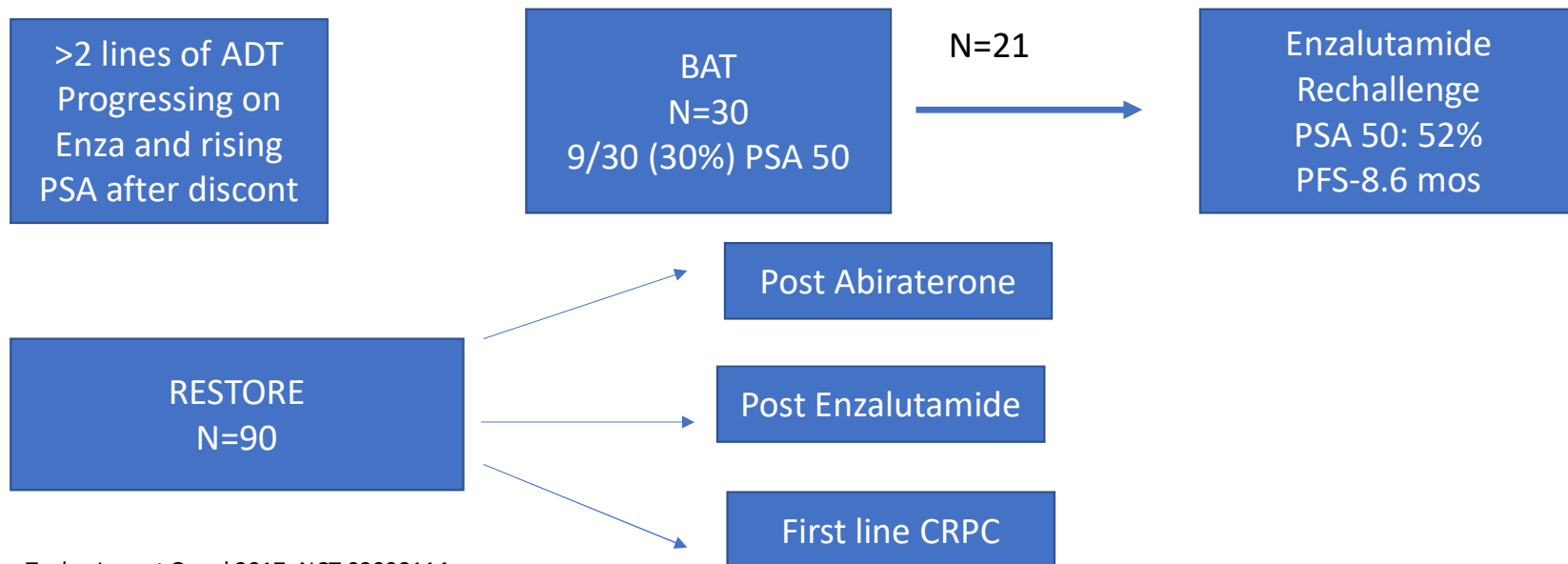
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 1-2, attributed to LuPSMA*	Grade 3 attributed to LuPSMA*	Grade 4 attributed to LuPSMA*
Dry mouth	26 (87%)	0	0	26 (87%)	0	0
Lymphocytopenia	12 (40%)	13 (43%)	0	11 (37%)	11 (37%)	0
Thrombocytopenia	12 (40%)	5 (17%)	3 (10%)	8 (27%)	3 (10%)	1 (3%)
Fatigue	16 (53%)	1 (3%)	0	15 (50%)	0	0
Nausea	15 (50%)	0	0	15 (50%)	0	0
Anaemia	7 (23%)	7 (23%)	0	4 (13%)	4 (13%)	0
Neutropenia	12 (40%)	2 (7%)	0	8 (27%)	2 (7%)	0
Pain	8 (27%)	3 (10%)	0	5 (17%)	1 (3%)	0
Vomiting	10 (33%)	0	0	10 (33%)	0	0
Anorexia	8 (27%)	0	0	7 (23%)	0	0
Dry eyes	5 (17%)	0	0	5 (17%)	0	0
Weight loss	3 (10%)	0	0	3 (10%)	0	0
Disseminated intravascular coagulation	0	1 (3%)	0	0	0	0
Oculomotor nerve disorder	1 (3%)	0	0	1 (3%)	0	0
Spinal fracture	0	1 (3%)	0	0	0	0
Hip fracture	0	1 (3%)	0	0	0	0

Hofman MS, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2018



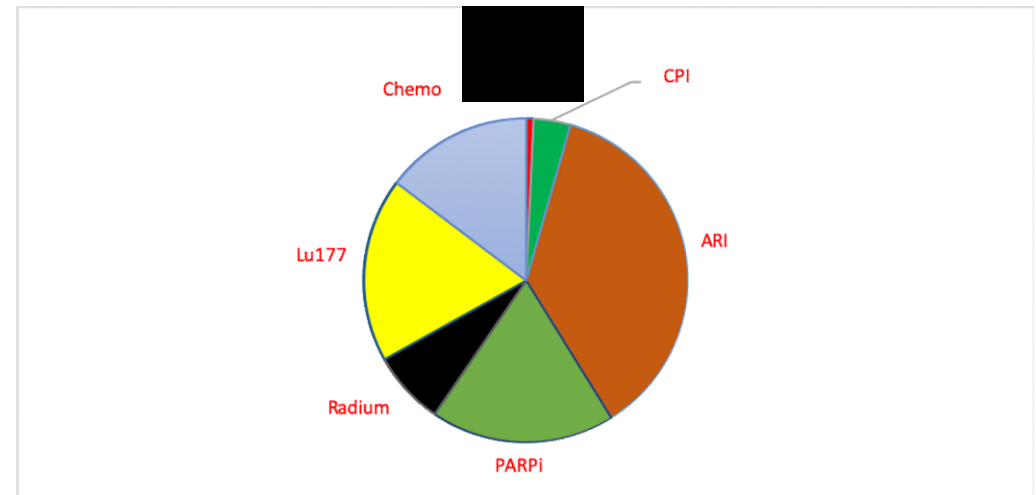
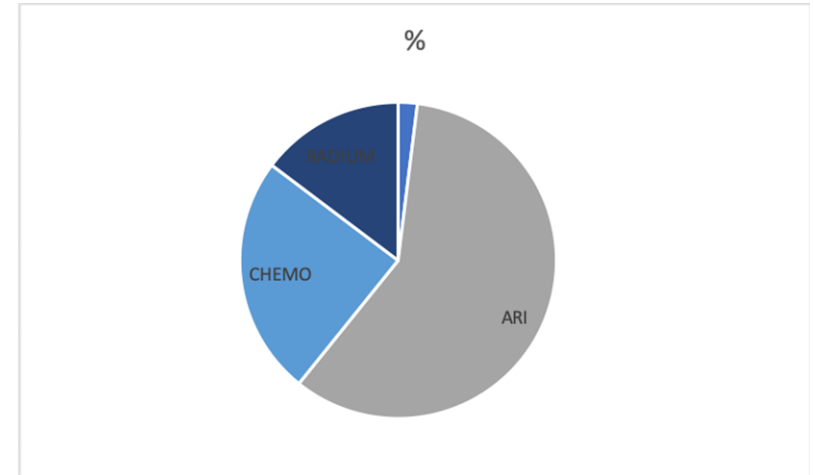
# Bipolar Androgen Therapy- BAT

- Alternating high doses of Testosterone with castrate levels : dsDNA breaks



# Conclusion

- mCRPC is an unmet need
- Need new class of drugs that are non cross resistant with the current ones
- Optimum sequence unknown
- Delay time between drugs of similar class
- Promising drugs : PARPi, Radio ligands, immunotherapeutics



Questions? Thank You



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