Controversies in the Management of Ovarian Cancer: A Focus on First-Line Treatment

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Discussion Outline

- Review ovarian treatment landscape
- Review recently studied/approved agents
- Review treatment indications
- Review maintenance indications



FDA Approvals of PARPi in Ovarian Cancer¹⁻³



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Treatment

- Seven chemo agents approved over 35 years! (1978-2013)
- ✤ All the seven agents approved for treatment indications
- Outside clinical trials, nothing else was available for ovarian cancer therapy



New FDA approvals for treatment or maintenance of ovarian cancer (Four years !, 2014 - 2020)

- Treatment (three agents)
 - Olaparib
 - Rucaparib
 - Bevacizumab
- Maintenance (four agents)
 - Niraparib
 - Olaparib
 - Rucaparib
 - Bevacizumab
 - Olaparib + Bevacizumab



Rationale for Targeting VEGF Pathway in the Treatment of Ovarian Cancer

- Human tumors
 - VEGF expression and degree of tumor angiogenesis (micro-vessel density) associated with
 - Ascites formation
 - Malignant progression
 - Poor prognosis



Yoneda et al, 1998; Ferrara, 1999; Dvorak, 2002; Gasparini et al, 1996; Hollingsworth et al, 1995; al, 1997; Alvarez et al, 1999.

Bevacizumab (GOG 218)

Targeted therapy for ovarian, Bevacizumab

1:1:1



Stage/debulking status



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Burger, NEngl J Med. 2011 Dec 29;365(26):2473-83.



Targeted therapy for ovarian, Bevacizumab



ICON7 Progression-free survival



Rationale for Targeting Homologous Recombination Repair in the Treatment of Ovarian Cancer



Homologous Recombination Repair





PARP inhibitors maintenance after 1st line treatment of ovarian cancer



SOLO1: Phase III trial of maintenance olaparib following platinum-based chemotherapy in newly diagnosed patients with advanced ovarian cancer and a *BRCA1/2* mutation

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Study design

- Newly diagnosed, FIGO stage III–IV, high-grade serous or endometrioid ovarian, primary peritoneal or fallopian tube cancer
- Germline or somatic
 BRCAm
- ECOG performance status 0–1
- Cytoreductive surgery*
- In clinical complete response or partial response after platinumbased chemotherapy



2 years' treatment if no evidence of disease

Primary endpoint

 Investigator-assessed PFS (modified RECIST 1.1)

Secondary endpoints

- PFS using BICR
- PFS2
- Overall survival
- Time from randomization to first subsequent therapy or death
- Time from randomization to second subsequent therapy or death
- HRQoL (FACT-O TOI score)

*Upfront or interval attempt at optimal cytoreductive surgery for stage III disease and either biopsy and/or upfront or interval cytoreductive surgery for stage IV disease. BICR, blinded independent central review; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; FACT-O, Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy –

Ovarian Cancer; FIGO, International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; PFS, progression-free survival; PFS2, time to second progression or death; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumours; TOI, Trial Outcome Index



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Niraparib Therapy in Patients With Newly Diagnosed Advanced Ovarian Cancer (PRIMA/ENGOT-OV26/GOG-3012)

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PRIMA Trial Design



1L, first-line; BICR, blinded independent central review; CR, complete response; O PFS2, progression-free survival 2; PR partial response; PRO, patient-reported outcomes; TFST, time to first subs

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PRIMA Primary Endpoint, PFS Benefit in the HR-deficient Population



Sensitivity analysis of PFS by the investigator was similar to and su

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PRIMA Primary Endpoint, PFS Benefit in the Overall Population



1L, first-line; CI, confidence interval; CT, chemotherapy; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progress Discordance in PFS event between investigator assessme



PRIMA PFS Benefit in Biomarker Subgroups

Homologous Recombination Deficient (HRd)



- Niraparib provided similar clinical benefit in the HRd subgroups (BRCAmut and BRCAwt)
- Niraparib provide clinically significant benefit in the HR-proficient subgroup with a 32% risk reduction in progression or death

CI, confidence interval; HR, homologous recombination; mut, mutation; PFS, progression-free survi

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PRIMA Key Secondary Endpoint, Overall Survival (11% data maturity)



- **Pre-planned** interim analysis of overall survival numerically favors niraparib over placebo
 - Overall population 84% vs 77% alive at 2 years
 - HR-deficient 91% vs 85% alive at 2 years
 - HR-proficient 81% vs 59% alive at 2 years



Phase III PAOLA-1/ENGOT-ov25: maintenance olaparib with bevacizumab in patients with newly diagnosed, advanced ovarian cancer treated with platinum-based chemotherapy and bevacizumab as standard of care

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Study design



Newly diagnosed FIGO stage III–IV high-grade serous/endometrioid ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer*



*Patients with other epithelial non-mucinous ovarian cancer were eligible if they had a germline *BRCA1* and/or *BRCA2* mutation *Bevacizumab: 15 mg/kg, every 3 weeks for a total of 15 months, including when administered with chemotherapy; *By central labs; *According and NED/CR/PR

BICR, blinded independent central review; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; PFS2, time to second progression or death; RECIST, Response Evalure in Solid Tumours; TFST, time to first subsequent therapy or death; TSST, time to second subsequent therapy or death University of Pittsburgh



PFS by investigator assessment: ITT population



Median time from first cycle of chemotherapy to randomization = 7 months

ITT, intent-to-treat population

PFS by HRD status





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ATHENA–MONO (GOG-3020/ENGOT-ov45): A Randomized, Double-blind, Phase 3 Trial Evaluating Rucaparib Monotherapy Vs Placebo As Maintenance Treatment Following Response To First-line Platinum-based Chemotherapy In Ovarian Cancer

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ATHENA–MONO Study Schema

Key Patient Eligibility

- Newly diagnosed, stage III–IV, highgrade epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancer
- Completed frontline platinum-doublet chemotherapy and surgery
- Achieved investigator-assessed CR or PR
- Received cytoreductive surgery (primary or interval; R0/complete resection permitted)
- ECOG PS 0 or 1
- No prior treatment for ovarian cancer, including any maintenance treatment, other than frontline platinum regimen



Timing of surgery

*After initiation of oral/IV combination study treatment (IV drug was initiated cycle 2 day 1; 28-day cycles). *Centrally assessed, determined by FoundationOne CDx (BRCA^{mut}, BRCA^{wt}/LOH^{high} [LOH ≥16%], BRCAwt/LOHIow [LOH <16%], BRCAwt/LOHindeterminate). BID, twice daily; BRCA, BRCA1 or BRCA2; CR, complete response; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; IV, intravenous; LOH, loss of heterozygosity; mut, mutant; PO, by mouth; PR, partial response; wt, wild type.





Study Analyses

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Primary Endpoint – Investigator-Assessed PFS: HRD Population



Data cutoff date: March 23, 2022.

HR, hazard ratio; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; NR, not reached; PFS, progression-free survival.



Primary Endpoint – Investigator-Assessed PFS: ITT Population



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HR, hazard ratio; ITT, intent-to-treat; PFS, progression-free survival.



Secondary Endpoint – BICR-Assessed PFS

HRD

ITT



Data cutoff date: March 23, 2022.

BICR, blinded independent central radiology review; HR, hazard ratio; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; ITT, intent-to-treat; NR, not reached; PFS, progression-free survival.



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FDA Approval with indications

- 1. Olaparib
- ✤ 1st line switch maintenance, germline BRCA (June 2019)
- 2. Olaparib + Bevacizumab
- ✤ 1st line switch maintenance, HRD(May 2020)
- 3. Niraparib
- ✤ 1st line switch maintenance, All comers (April 2020)



Advanced Ovarian Cancer post 1st line Chemotherapy ,Additional New Options

HRD: (maintenance)NiraparibOlaparib + bevacizumab



Important considerations in ovarian cancer frontline maintenance therapy (HRD)

STUDY	NUMBER OF DRUGS	DURATION OF THERAPY (I)	DELTA PFS GAIN (Y)	Y/I RATIO (%)
GOG 2018	1	15 months	3.1 months	21%
SOLO1	1	24 months	N/A	
PRIMA	1	36 months	11.5 months	32%
PAOLA 1	2	24 months	11.5 months	48%



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GOG 2018	1	15 months	3.1 months	21%
SOLO1	1	24 months	N/A	
PRIMA	1	36 months	2.7 months	8%
PAOLA 1	2	24 months	0.9 months	4%



Conclusions

- Advances in the understanding of ovarian cancer biology have led to significantly expanded options for women diagnosed with advanced ovarian cancer.
- Most of the studies leading to these advances have no matured overall survival data yet.
- As therapeutic options increase, burden of each therapeutic option must be carefully balanced with its potential benefits.







