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Rucaparib maintenance treatment for recurrent ovarian carcinoma: the effects of progression-free interval and prior therapies on efficacy and safety in the randomized phase 3 trial ARIEL3

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The safety of rucaparib was consistent across all subgroups.

ABSTRACT (295 WORDS; 300 WORDS MAX)

Introduction In ARIEL3 (NCT01968213), the poly(adenosine diphosphate-ribose) polymerase inhibitor rucaparib significantly improved progression-free survival vs placebo regardless of biomarker status when used as maintenance treatment for recurrent ovarian cancer. The aim of the current analyses was to evaluate the efficacy and safety of rucaparib in subgroups based on progression-free interval following penultimate platinum, number of prior chemotherapies, and prior use of bevacizumab.

Methods Patients were randomized 2:1 to rucaparib 600 mg twice daily or placebo. Within subgroups, progression-free survival was assessed in prespecified, nested cohorts: *BRCA*-mutant, homologous recombination deficient (*BRCA*-mutant or wild-type *BRCA*/high genomic loss of heterozygosity), and the intent-to-treat population.

Results In the intent-to-treat population, median investigator-assessed progression-free survival was 8.2 months with rucaparib vs 4.1 months with placebo (n=151 vs n=76; hazard ratio 0.33 [95% confidence interval 0.24–0.46], p<0.0001) for patients with progression-free interval 6–≤12 months, and 13.6 vs 5.6 months (n=224 vs n=113; 0.39 [0.30–0.52], p<0.0001) for those with progression-free interval >12 months. Median progression-free survival was 10.4 vs 5.4 months (n=231 vs n=124; 0.42 [0.32–0.54], p<0.0001) for patients who had received 2 prior chemotherapies and 11.1 vs 5.3 months (n=144 vs n=65; 0.28 [0.19–0.41], p<0.0001) for those who had received ≥3 prior chemotherapies. Median progression-free survival was 10.3 vs 5.4 months (n=83 vs n=43; 0.42 [0.26–0.68], p=0.0004) for patients who had received prior bevacizumab and 10.9 vs 5.4 months (n=292 vs n=146; 0.35 [0.28–0.45], p<0.0001) for those who had not. Across subgroups, median progression-free survival was also significantly longer with rucaparib vs placebo in the *BRCA*-mutant and homologous recombination deficient cohorts. Safety was consistent across subgroups.

Discussion Rucaparib maintenance treatment significantly improved progression-free survival vs placebo irrespective of progression-free interval following penultimate platinum, number of lines of prior chemotherapy, and previous use of bevacizumab.

Keywords: medical oncology, ovarian cancer

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Rucaparib significantly improved progression-free survival vs placebo irrespective of progression-free interval after penultimate platinum, or prior treatments in patients with recurrent ovarian cancer.

INTRODUCTION

Although many patients with advanced ovarian cancer respond to initial treatment (typically surgery followed by platinum- and/or taxane-based chemotherapy), most will experience disease recurrence and require subsequent therapies.¹-³ The efficacy of treatment for recurrent ovarian cancer declines rapidly with successive lines of therapy; median progression-free survival decreases from 6.4 months after the second relapse to 4.1 months after the fifth relapse,⁴ highlighting the need for effective therapies that delay disease progression or relapse. Historically, progression-free interval following the last dose of penultimate platinum has been used as a measure of platinum sensitivity, with an interval of ≤6 months indicating platinum-resistant disease,² 6–12 months indicating partially platinum-sensitive disease, and >12 months indicating platinum-sensitive disease.⁵ Although platinum sensitivity is now considered to exist on a continuum, these cut-offs are often used in clinical studies as a measure of platinum sensitivity for the purposes of selective enrolment, summarizing patient baseline characteristics, and conducting subgroup analyses.⁶⁻⁸

For patients with recurrent ovarian cancer who have achieved a complete or partial response to platinum-based chemotherapy, targeted agents such as poly(adenosine diphosphate-ribose) polymerase inhibitors (rucaparib, olaparib, and niraparib) and the angiogenesis inhibitor bevacizumab are routinely used as maintenance treatment, since they delay disease progression and extend the period between treatments. The choice of maintenance treatment for recurrent ovarian cancer is influenced by the treatments used in the first-line setting. Patients who did not receive a poly(adenosine diphosphate-ribose) polymerase inhibitor as first-line maintenance treatment may be eligible to receive one in the second- or later-line setting. In the United States and European Union, patients with a *BRCA* mutation are eligible to receive first-line olaparib maintenance treatment; those with homologous recombination deficiency may receive olaparib + bevacizumab as first-line maintenance combination treatment, whereas first-line maintenance treatment with niraparib is approved irrespective of a patient's *BRCA* or homologous recombination deficiency

status.^{14, 15} Bevacizumab may be also used as a continuation maintenance treatment in the first-line setting.^{16, 17}

In ARIEL3 (NCT01968213), the pivotal study of rucaparib maintenance treatment in recurrent ovarian cancer, ^{18, 19} rucaparib significantly improved progression-free survival vs placebo in all primary analysis groups (those with *BRCA*-mutant tumors, those with homologous recombination deficiency [*BRCA* mutant + *BRCA* wild-type and high loss of heterozygosity], and the intent-to-treat population). The most common anygrade treatment-emergent adverse events included gastrointestinal disorders, asthenia/fatigue, anemia/decreased hemoglobin, and dysgeusia. ^{6, 20, 21} Eligible patients in this study had to be platinum sensitive (ie, documented radiological disease progression ≥6 months after the last dose of penultimate platinum).

Prognostic factors such as *BRCA* mutations or homologous recombination deficiency have been shown to be associated with improved efficacy from poly(adenosine diphosphate-ribose) polymerase inhibitors and from platinum-based chemotherapy. However, absence of these prognostic factors may not exclude these populations from receiving benefit; for example, rucaparib has been shown to have a progression-free survival benefit vs placebo in patients with wild-type BRCA, regardless of loss of heterozygosity status. Since progression-free interval is a known prognostic factor in ovarian cancer and a measure of platinum sensitivity, $^{5, 22}$ we evaluated whether rucaparib maintenance treatment was effective and safe in patients with progression-free intervals of different durations and across nested cohorts subgroups based on BRCA mutation, homologous recombination deficiency and the intent-to-treat population. In addition, as the use of 2 or \geq 3 prior lines of chemotherapy as well as the use of bevacizumab are common, the efficacy and safety of rucaparib maintenance treatment was evaluated in these settings.

METHODS

Study Design

ARIEL3 is a randomized, double-blind, multicenter, phase 3 trial, with patients enrolled between April 7, 2014, and July 19, 2016. Comprehensive details on the study design have been published previously. The study was approved by national or local institutional review boards and performed in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki and Good Clinical Practice Guidelines of the International Council for Harmonisation. Written informed consent was obtained from all patients or the requirement for written informed consent was waived by the institutional review board. In accordance with the journal's guidelines, we will provide our data for the reproducibility of this study in other centers if requested.

Patients

Eligible patients were aged ≥18 years; had platinum-sensitive, high-grade serous or endometrioid ovarian, primary peritoneal, or fallopian tube carcinoma; had received ≥2 previous platinum-based chemotherapy regimens; had a baseline Gynecologic Cancer InterGroup CA-125 measurement below the upper level of normal; and achieved either a complete response according to Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors version 1.1 (RECIST) or a partial response defined either according to RECIST or as a serological response based on CA-125 response criteria to their last platinum-based regimen. Previous treatment with bevacizumab was permitted, apart from bevacizumab maintenance after the most recent platinum-based regimen.

Procedures

Patients were stratified based on homologous recombination repair gene mutation status (based on gene mutation only; mutation in *BRCA*, mutation in a non-*BRCA* gene associated with homologous recombination, or no mutation in *BRCA* or a homologous recombination gene), progression-free interval following penultimate platinum-based regimen (6–≤12 months or >12 months), and best response to most recent platinum-based regimen (complete response or partial response), and then randomized 2:1 to

receive oral rucaparib 600 mg twice daily or placebo. Patients received rucaparib or placebo in continuous 28-day cycles until disease progression (assessed using RECIST), death, or other reasons for discontinuation. Dose reductions (in decrements of 120 mg down to 240 mg) were permitted if a patient had a grade ≥3 or a persistent grade 2 adverse event. Treatment was discontinued following toxicity-related treatment interruption of >14 consecutive days. Disease assessments were conducted at screening, every 12 weeks during treatment (and after treatment for patients who discontinued for reasons other than disease progression), following clinical symptoms, and at treatment discontinuation.

Outcomes and Subgroups Analyzed

The primary outcome of ARIEL3 was investigator-assessed progression-free survival, defined as the time from randomization to investigator-assessed disease progression per RECIST or death.⁶ Progression-free survival was analyzed in several prespecified and post-hoc exploratory subgroup analyses using the primary efficacy data after unblinding, which was mature at a visit cut-off of April 15, 2017. Prespecified analyses of investigator- and blinded independent central review-assessed progression-free survival were conducted in subgroups defined by progression-free interval following penultimate platinum-based regimen (6–≤12 vs >12 months). Post-hoc analyses of investigator- and blinded independent central review-assessed progression-free survival were conducted in subgroups defined by the number of prior chemotherapy regimens (2 vs ≥3) and prior bevacizumab use (yes vs no).

Safety was assessed by monitoring for treatment-emergent adverse events classified per the Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities version 19.1²³ and graded as per the National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events version 4.03.²⁴ The visit cut-off for the safety analyses was December 31, 2019.

Statistical Analyses

The rationale for target enrolment in ARIEL3 was described previously.⁶ For each subgroup category, analyses were conducted in the 3 prespecified, nested cohorts: *BRCA*-mutant, homologous recombination deficient, and intent-to-treat population.

Kaplan-Meier methodology was used to summarize progression-free survival; patients without documented progression were censored as of their last tumor assessment. A stratified log-rank test that included the randomization strata was used to compare treatments. Additionally, a stratified Cox proportional hazard model was used to calculate the hazard ratio (HR) between the treatment groups for progression-free survival. Treatment-by-subgroup interaction tests were performed using a Cox proportional hazard model. All efficacy endpoints were tested at a 1-sided 0.025 significance level, without any multiplicity adjustment. P values for these exploratory analyses are presented for descriptive purposes only. All analyses were univariate, with no adjustment for confounding factors.

Treatment-emergent adverse events of key interest (combined alanine aminotransferase/aspartate aminotransferase elevation, combined anemia/decreased hemoglobin, combined asthenia/fatigue, nausea, combined thrombocytopenia/decreased platelet count, and vomiting) were summarized by risk difference with 95% confidence interval (CI). The risk difference was defined as the difference in the percentage between the rucaparib and placebo group; CIs were estimated based on normal distribution assumption. Statistical analyses were performed using SAS version 9.4 (SAS Institute, Cary, NC, USA).

RESULTS

Patient Characteristics

A total of 564 patients were enrolled and randomized to rucaparib (n=375) or placebo (n=189). The majority of patients had a progression-free interval of >12 months vs 6–≤12 months (337/564 [59.8%] vs 227/564 [40.2%]); received 2 vs ≥3 prior chemotherapy regimens (355/564 [62.9%] vs 209/564 [37.1%]); and had not received vs had received prior bevacizumab (438/564 [77.7%] vs 126/564 [22.3%]; Supplementary Table 1). The proportion of patients who received bevacizumab in the first-line setting (71/126 [56.3%]) was similar to the proportion who received bevacizumab in the second- or later-line setting (60/126 [47.6%]). Baseline characteristics were generally

well balanced between the rucaparib and placebo arms across subgroups. However, a higher proportion of patients with progression-free interval >12 months had received only 2 prior chemotherapy regimens (rucaparib arm: 71.4%; placebo arm: 74.3%) vs those with a progression-free interval of 6–≤12 months (47.0% and 52.6%). In the ≥3 prior chemotherapies subgroup, most patients had received 3 prior chemotherapies (rucaparib arm: 75.0%; placebo arm: 64.6%). As anticipated, patients who had received ≥3 prior chemotherapies had a shorter median time to progression on their penultimate platinum (rucaparib arm: 10.6 months; placebo arm: 11.5 months) than those who had received 2 prior chemotherapy regimens (16.0 and 18.0 months).

Progression-Free Survival

In the intent-to-treat population, rucaparib was associated with a significant improvement in investigator-assessed progression-free survival vs placebo in patients: with a progression-free interval of 6–≤12 months (HR 0.33 [95% CI 0.24–0.46], p<0.0001) or >12 months (0.39 [0.30–0.52], p<0.0001); who had received 2 prior (0.42 [0.32–0.54], p<0.0001) or ≥3 prior chemotherapies (0.28 [0.19–0.41], p<0.0001); and who had received prior bevacizumab (0.42 [0.26–0.68], p=0.0004) or had not (0.35 [0.28–0.45], p<0.0001) (Figures 1–4). A statistically significant benefit in progression-free survival with rucaparib vs placebo was also observed across patient subgroups in the *BRCA*-mutant and homologous recombination deficient cohorts, and when analyzing blinded independent central review-assessed progression-free survival (Supplementary Figures 1–3). P values for treatment interaction tests for each subgroup were nonsignificant, indicating that the magnitude of treatment effect was similar regardless of progression-free interval, number of prior chemotherapy regimens, or prior bevacizumab use.

In an additional exploratory analysis in patients with a progression-free interval of >24 months (<u>Supplementary Figure 4</u>), median investigator-assessed progression-free survival was significantly longer with rucaparib versus placebo: 23.6 vs 6.4 months (HR 0.32 [95% CI 0.19–0.51], p<0.0001).

Safety

The safety population included 372/375 (99%) patients who were randomized to the rucaparib arm (three [1%] patients withdrew before receiving rucaparib) and 189 (100%) who received placebo.

In the overall safety population, the median treatment duration was 8.3 (range 0–67) and 5.5 (0–68) months in the rucaparib and placebo groups, respectively. Across subgroups, almost all patients reported ≥1 any-grade treatment-emergent adverse event; the most frequent events experienced by rucaparib-treated patients across any subgroup were nausea (75.1–78.3%) and asthenia/fatigue (68.1–78.3%) (Supplementary Table 2).

Any-grade hypertension did not occur at a higher rate in patients with prior bevacizumab exposure (5/83 [6.0%] and 4/43 [9.3%] in the rucaparib and placebo arms, respectively) than in those without prior bevacizumab exposure (37/289 [12.8%] and 12/146 [8.2%], respectively). Treatment-emergent adverse events associated with bevacizumab use (eg, gastrointestinal perforations and fistulae, surgery and woundhealing complications, and hemorrhage^{16, 17}) were not commonly observed in either subgroup.

The proportion of rucaparib-treated patients who experienced grade ≥ 3 treatment-emergent adverse events was similar among patients with progression-free interval 6– \leq 12 months (90/150 [60.0%]) or >12 months (141/222 [63.5%]), those who had received 2 prior (142/229 [62.0%]) or \geq 3 prior chemotherapy regimens (89/143 [62.2%]), and those who had received prior bevacizumab (58/83 [69.9%]) or had not (173/289 [59.9%]). Among rucaparib-treated patients, the most frequent grade \geq 3 treatment-emergent adverse event across all subgroups analyses was anemia/decreased hemoglobin (Supplementary Table 2).

The relative risk of any-grade treatment-emergent adverse events was generally comparable across the respective subgroups and greater for patients treated with rucaparib than placebo. The relative risk of grade ≥3 anemia/decreased hemoglobin

and alanine aminotransferase/aspartate aminotransferase elevations appeared higher with rucaparib than placebo in all subgroups analyzed (Figure 5).

Among rucaparib-treated patients, the proportion with treatment interruptions and/or dose reductions due to treatment-emergent adverse events was broadly similar across the three subgroups: progression-free interval (6–≤12 months, 106/150 [70.7%] vs >12 months, 165/222 [74.3%]); number of prior chemotherapies (2 prior, 164/229 [71.6%] vs ≥3 prior, 107/143 [74.8%]); prior bevacizumab (yes, 70/83 [84.3%] vs no, 201/289 [69.6%]). A comparable proportion of patients in the rucaparib arm of all subgroups experienced death due to treatment-emergent adverse events (excluding disease progression): none in patients with progression-free interval 6–≤12 months and 6/222 (2.7%) in those with progression-free interval >12 months; 3/229 (1.3%) in patients who received 2 prior chemotherapy regimens and 3/143 (2.1%) in those who received ≥3; 2/83 (2.4%) in patients who received prior bevacizumab and 4/289 (1.4%) in those who did not (Supplementary Table 2).

DISCUSSION

Summary of Main Results

In the ARIEL3 intent-to-treat population, rucaparib maintenance treatment significantly extended median investigator-assessed progression-free survival vs placebo (10.8 vs 5.4 months, respectively; HR 0.36 [95% CI 0.30–0.45], p<0.0001).⁶ The analyses reported here add to these findings by demonstrating that rucaparib maintenance treatment significantly improved progression-free survival versus placebo in subgroups of patients with different progression-free intervals following their last platinum; in those who had received 2 or ≥3 prior chemotherapies; and in those who had and had not received prior bevacizumab. The safety profile of rucaparib was similar across all subgroups.

While patients with a progression-free interval of 6–≤12 months might be expected to have a worse prognosis than patients with a progression-free interval >12 months,⁵ our analyses indicate that rucaparib maintenance treatment provided similar

benefit vs placebo across both of these subgroups. The exploratory analysis of the subgroup of patients with a prior progression-free interval >24 months, which is considered to be a highly platinum-sensitive subgroup, indicated that rucaparib also extended progression-free survival vs placebo, and that maintenance treatment may provide benefit for these patients. Although the efficacy for recurrent ovarian cancer treatments generally declines with successive lines,⁴ our analyses demonstrate that rucaparib provided similar benefit vs placebo in more heavily pretreated patients (ie, those who received ≥3 prior chemotherapies) and less heavily pretreated patients (ie, those who received 2 prior chemotherapies). Comparable efficacy was also observed in patients who previously did or did not receive bevacizumab. Overall, the safety profile in rucaparib-treated patients was similar across all subgroups and consistent with previous reports.^{6, 25} Additional ARIEL3 subgroup analyses have also demonstrated that rucaparib is efficacious with a comparable safety profile across a range of other subgroups based on age,²⁶ presence of bulky disease at baseline,²⁷ and response to last platinum-based chemotherapy.²⁸

Strengths and Weaknesses

One limitation of our analyses was that, although the progression-free interval subgroup analysis reported here was prespecified, the other two subgroup analyses (number of prior chemotherapies, prior bevacizumab) were post hoc in nature. In addition, our analyses were univariate rather than multivariate, with no adjustment for confounding factors. Small patient numbers in some subgroups (eg, patients receiving ≥3 prior chemotherapy regimens, or prior bevacizumab) also limit the conclusions that can be drawn for these subgroups.

Results in the Context of Published Literature

Our findings are consistent with analogous subgroup analyses that have been carried out for other maintenance treatments for recurrent ovarian cancer. An analysis of Study 19, a randomized phase 2 study of olaparib maintenance treatment in patients with recurrent ovarian cancer who received ≥2 platinum-based regimens, showed that olaparib was associated with similar efficacy vs placebo in patients with a progression-

free interval of 6-12 months and >12 months.²⁹ In the phase 3 SOLO2 study of olaparib maintenance treatment in patients with recurrent ovarian cancer and a BRCA mutation. there was improved progression-free survival with olaparib vs placebo regardless of number of lines of prior platinum-based chemotherapy (2, 3, or ≥4 prior lines), and prior bevacizumab did not negatively impact efficacy.^{8, 30} In an analysis of the phase 3b OPINION single-arm study of olaparib maintenance treatment for nongermline BRCAmutated platinum-sensitive relapsed ovarian cancer, progression-free survival was similar among patients who received 2 or ≥3 prior platinum regimens.³¹ In the phase 3 NOVA study of niraparib maintenance in patients with platinum-sensitive recurrent ovarian cancer, niraparib maintained a benefit in progression-free survival vs placebo across subgroups when assessed by time to progression before study enrollment (6 to <12 months or ≥12 months), total number of previous platinum regimens (2 or >2), and cumulative number of previous chemotherapy regimens (2 or >2).32 Furthermore, in the phase 3 AURELIA study of bevacizumab as continuation maintenance in patients with platinum-resistant recurrent ovarian cancer, bevacizumab had a progression-free survival benefit vs chemotherapy alone regardless of progression-free interval (<3 months vs 3–6 months).³³

Implications for Practice and Future Research

These analyses suggest that maintenance treatment is a valuable treatment option for patients with recurrent ovarian cancer from a broad range of clinically relevant subgroups. However, increasing up-front use of poly(adenosine diphosphate-ribose) polymerase inhibitors will decrease the proportion of patients with second- or later-line ovarian cancer who are naïve to these treatments. Future studies are required to determine whether patients benefit from subsequent treatment after prior exposure. Overall, these results should be regarded as hypothesis generating and could be evaluated further in appropriately designed and powered prospective studies.

Conclusions

Rucaparib significantly improved progression-free survival vs placebo in patients with a progression-free interval of 6–≤12 or >12 months, who had received 2 or ≥3 prior

chemotherapy regimens, and who had or had not received prior bevacizumab. The magnitude of progression-free survival improvement seen with rucaparib was similar across subgroups and in the different analysis cohorts. Safety was similar between rucaparib-treated patients across all subgroups and was consistent with other reports. Taken together, these results demonstrate the consistent efficacy and safety of rucaparib maintenance treatment, even in patients who are heavily pretreated and/or have more rapid disease recurrence.

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Figure 1 Investigator-assessed progression-free survival analyses in subgroups defined by (A) progression-free interval following penultimate platinum-based regimen, (B) number of prior chemotherapy regimens, (C) prior bevacizumab use. P values are presented for descriptive purposes only. HR, hazard ratio; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; ITT, intent to treat; PFI, progression-free interval; PFS, progression-free survival.

Α						
PFI, months	Rucaparib, n	Placebo, n		Median PFS, months	HR (95% CI)	P value
BRCA mutation						
6–≤12	54	27	⊢	11.4 vs 2.9	0.19 (0.10–0.35)	<0.0001
>12	76	39	⊢	18.0 vs 5.6	0.27 (0.16–0.44)	<0.0001
HRD						
6–≤12	92	47	⊢•	8.3 vs 4.7	0.33 (0.21–0.51)	<0.0001
>12	144	71	⊢● ⊣	16.4 vs 5.6	0.31 (0.21–0.44)	<0.0001
ITT			·			
6–≤12	151	76	⊢	8.2 vs 4.1	0.33 (0.24–0.46)	<0.0001
>12	224	113	⊢	13.6 vs 5.6	0.39 (0.30-0.52)	<0.0001
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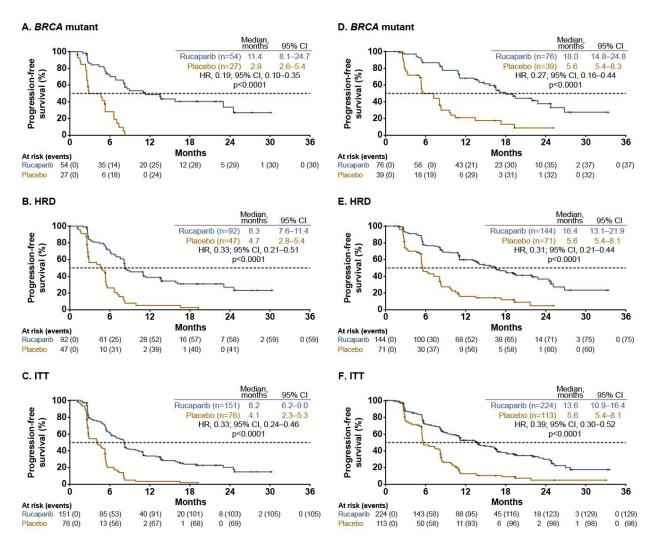
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Prior chemotherapy	Rucaparib, n	Placebo, n		Median PFS, months	HR (95% CI)	P value
BRCA mutation						
2	73	40	—	21.9 vs 5.4	0.24 (0.14–0.40)	<0.0001
≥3	57	26	⊢	13.7 vs 5.4	0.21 (0.11–0.40)	<0.0001
HRD						
2	136	75	⊢	14.1 vs 5.5	0.34 (0.23-0.49)	<0.0001
≥3	100	43	⊢ •	11.1 vs 5.4	0.27 (0.16–0.44)	<0.0001
ІТТ						
2	231	124	+●+	10.4 vs 5.4	0.42 (0.32–0.54)	<0.0001
≥3	144	65	⊢● →	11.1 vs 5.3	0.28 (0.19-0.41)	<0.0001
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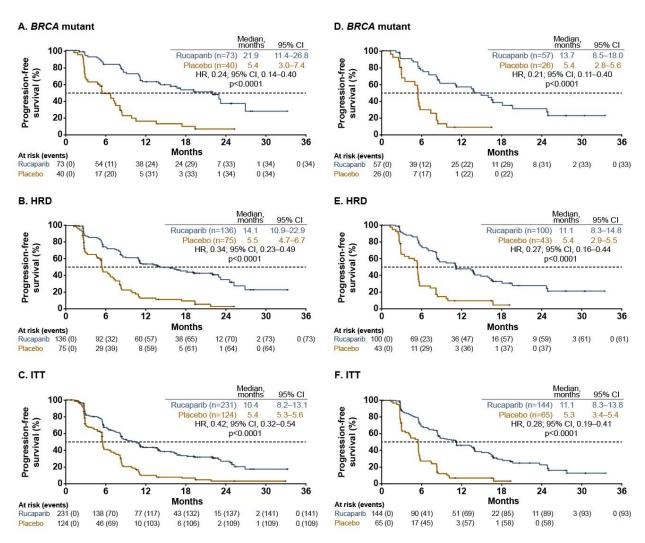
Prior bevacizumab	Rucaparib, n	Placebo, n		Median PFS, months	HR (95% CI)	P value
BRCA mutation						
Yes	28	11	—	15.9 vs 2.8	0.30 (0.11–0.88)	0.0276
No	102	55	⊢	17.1 vs 5.4	0.20 (0.13–0.31)	<0.0001
HRD						
Yes	52	26	⊢	11.1 vs 3.0	0.35 (0.17–0.70)	0.0034
No	184	92	⊢● ⊣	13.6 vs 5.4	0.30 (0.22–0.41)	<0.0001
ІТТ						
Yes	83	43	⊢	10.3 vs 5.4	0.42 (0.26–0.68)	0.0004
No	292	146	+ ●+	10.9 vs 5.4	0.35 (0.28–0.45)	<0.0001
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Figure 2 Investigator-assessed progression-free survival across the prespecified, nested cohorts in patients with progression-free interval following penultimate platinum-based regimen of (A–C) 6–≤12 months or (D–F) >12 months. P values are presented for descriptive purposes only. ^a HR, hazard ratio; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; ITT, intent to treat.



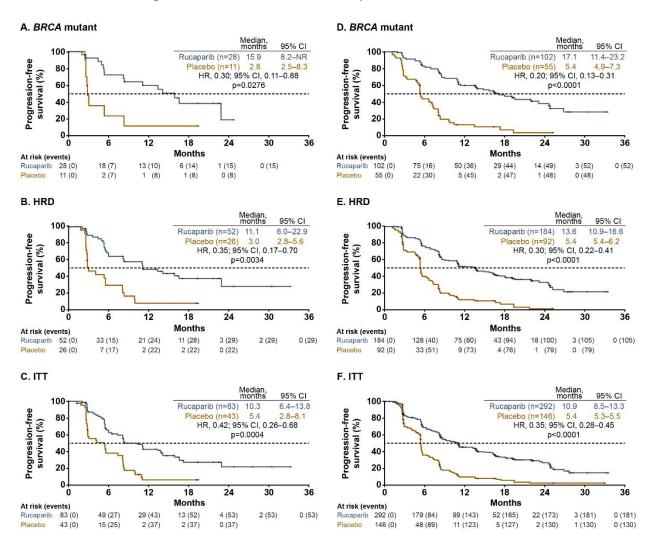
^aP values were nonsignificant for treatment by progression-free interval following penultimate platinum-based regimen subgroup (6–≤12 months vs >12 months) interaction tests (*BRCA*-mutant cohort, p=0.0708; HRD cohort, p=0.5832; ITT population, p=0.2046). The dashed line indicates the median value of progression-free survival.

Figure 3 Investigator-assessed progression-free survival across the prespecified, nested cohorts in patients with (A–C) 2 prior chemotherapy regimens or (D–F) ≥3 prior chemotherapy regimens.^a P values are presented for descriptive purposes only. HR, hazard ratio; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; ITT, intent to treat.



^aP values were nonsignificant for treatment by the number of prior chemotherapy regimens subgroup (2 vs ≥3) interaction tests (*BRCA*-mutant cohort, p=0.9383; HRD cohort, p=0.6480; ITT population, p=0.1613). The dashed line indicates the median value of progression-free survival.

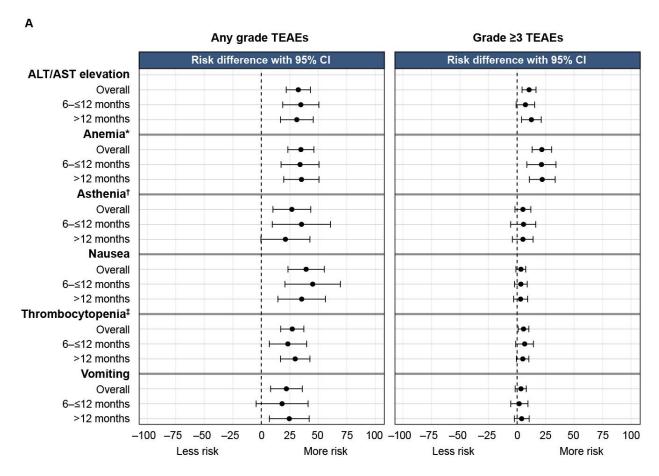
Figure 4 Investigator-assessed progression-free survival across the prespecified, nested cohorts in patients with (A–C) prior bevacizumab use or (D–F) no prior bevacizumab use.^a P values are presented for descriptive purposes only. HR, hazard ratio; HRD, homologous recombination deficiency; ITT, intent to treat.

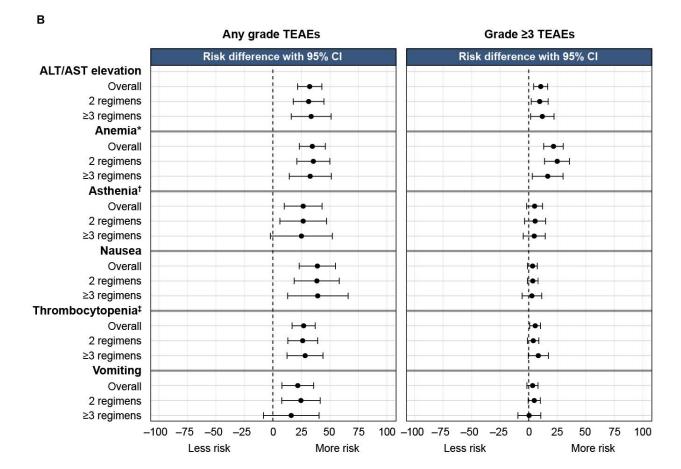


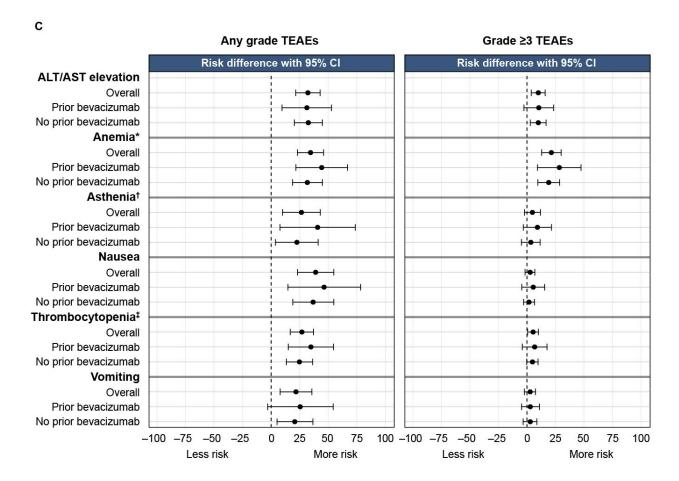
^aP values were nonsignificant for treatment by prior bevacizumab use subgroup (yes vs no) interaction tests (*BRCA*-mutant cohort, p=0.3676; HRD cohort, p=0.9149; ITT population, p=0.7343).

The dashed line indicates the median value of progression-free survival.

Figure 5 Relative risk of any-grade and grade ≥3 treatment-emergent adverse events of key interest in subgroups defined by (A) progression-free interval following penultimate platinum-based regimen, (B) number of prior chemotherapy regimens, (C) prior bevacizumab use. ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.







^{*}Combined anemia and decreased hemoglobin. †Combined asthenia and fatigue. ‡Combined thrombocytopenia and decreased platelet count.