

Breast Cancer and Treatment Options in Patients with BRCA1/2 mutations

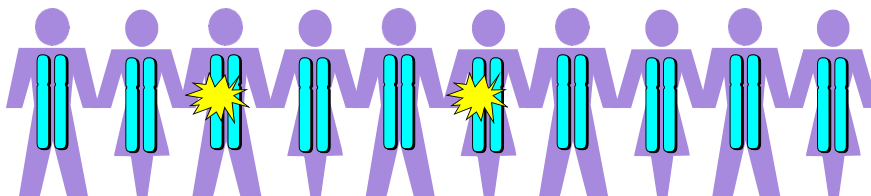


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Carrier Frequency

Prevalence of an altered disease
gene in a given population



Background

- Over 90% of hereditary breast & ovarian cancer are result of a mutation in BRCA1/2
- Prevalence of a BRCA1/2 mutation is population dependent – 1/300-1/800
- BRCA1/2 mutation more prevalent amongst younger women with breast cancer, TNBC, FHx of BC or OvC and in certain ethnic groups (Ashkenazi Jewish)
- Accounts for ~5-10% of all breast cancer

The prevalence of BRCA1/BRCA2 mutations: Contribution to cancer **in non-selected populations**

- Breast cancer ~ 2.5%-5%
- Ovarian cancer ~ 10-15%
- Pancreatic cancer ?
- Prostate cancer ?

The prevalence of BRCA1/BRCA2 mutations:
Contribution to cancer – in an ethnic group
(Ashkenazi Jews).

- Breast cancer ~11% of cases are carriers
- Ovarian cancer ~40% of cases are carriers
- Pancreatic cancer ~8% of cases are carriers
- Prostate cancer ~ 5% of cases are carriers

BRCA 1\2 incidence by age at BC diagnosis

Age at BC diagnosis	N	carriers	%
dx 20-29	11	3	27%
dx 30-39	74	18	24%
dx 40-49	245	29	11.8%
dx 50-59	345	33	9.5%
dx >60	368	27	7.3%

Ashkenazi Jewish cohort

Cancer susceptibility genes other than BRCA1/2

Table 1. Cancer Susceptibility Genes Other Than *BRCA1/2*

Cancer Susceptibility Gene	Breast Cancer RR (90% CI when available) or Inclusion Criteria
Breast	
<i>ATM</i>	2.8 (2.2 to 3.7) ³⁵
<i>BARD1</i>	Breast cancer association reported; RR not yet determined ^{17,46,47}
<i>BRIP1</i>	2.0 (1.3 to 3.0) ⁴⁸ ; ovarian cancer RR 11.2 ⁹
<i>CDH1</i>	6.6 (2.2 to 19.9) ⁴⁹
<i>CHEK2</i>	3.0 (2.6 to 3.5) ³⁵ ; most data for 1100delC
<i>NBN</i>	2.7 (1.9 to 3.7) ³⁵
<i>PALB2</i>	5.3 (3.0 to 9.4) ³⁵
<i>PTEN</i>	RR 2.0-5.0 ^{50,51}
<i>STK11</i>	RR 2.0-4.0 ^{52,53}
<i>TP53</i>	105 (62 to 165) ³⁵

Tung et al JCO 2016

Distinct features in BRCA1/2 associated breast cancer

What distinguishes BRCA1/2 associated breast cancer?

- Younger age at diagnosis
- Imaging – better visualized on MRI
- Amongst women being screened– often interval cancers
- Distinct histo-pathological features
- Bilaterality

BRCA-Related Breast Cancer – distinct features

- Other features:

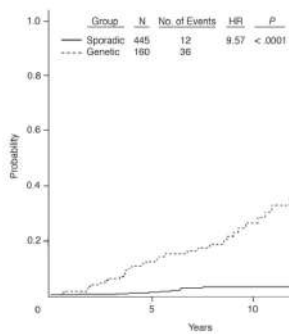
High grade	Lymphocytic infiltrate
Mostly invasive ductal carcinoma	TP53 mutations
Medullary carcinoma	Basal phenotype
Pushing margins	EGFR expression
DCIS less common	C-myc amplified

- Bilaterality

Prognosis in BRCA1/2+ Breast Cancer

Is Prognosis different in BRCA1/2 Breast Cancer?

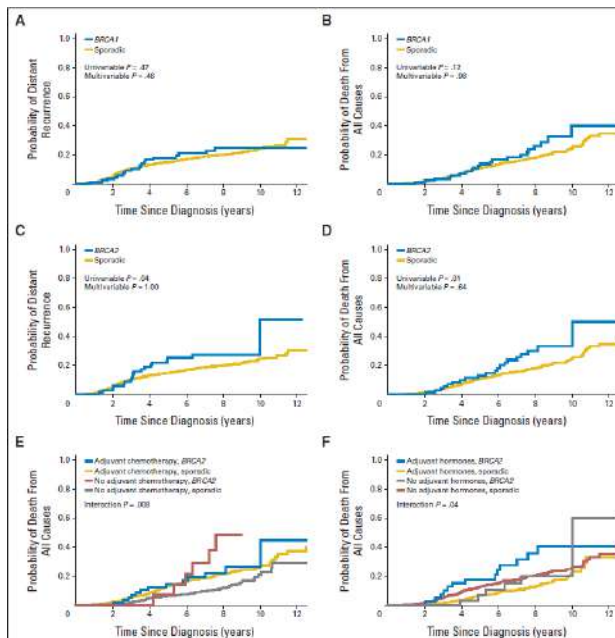
- Local disease
 - Greater incidence of ipsilateral disease
 - **Greater incidence of contra-lateral breast cancer – 10yr rate of 26% vs 3% in non-carriers** (Pierce et al JCO 2006)



Pierce et al, JCO, 2006

Is Prognosis different in BRCA1/2 Breast Cancer?

- Systemic relapse
 - Most studies report no difference in OS or breast cancer specific survival compared to non-carriers, especially if standard systemic therapy received
 - Rennert et al, NEJM, 2007
 - Goodwin et al, JCO 2012
 - Huzarski et el, JCO, 2013



Goodwin et al, JCO 2012

IMPACT OF A BRCA1/2 MUTATION ON TREATMENT DECISIONS

Impact of a BRCA1/2 mutation on treatment decisions

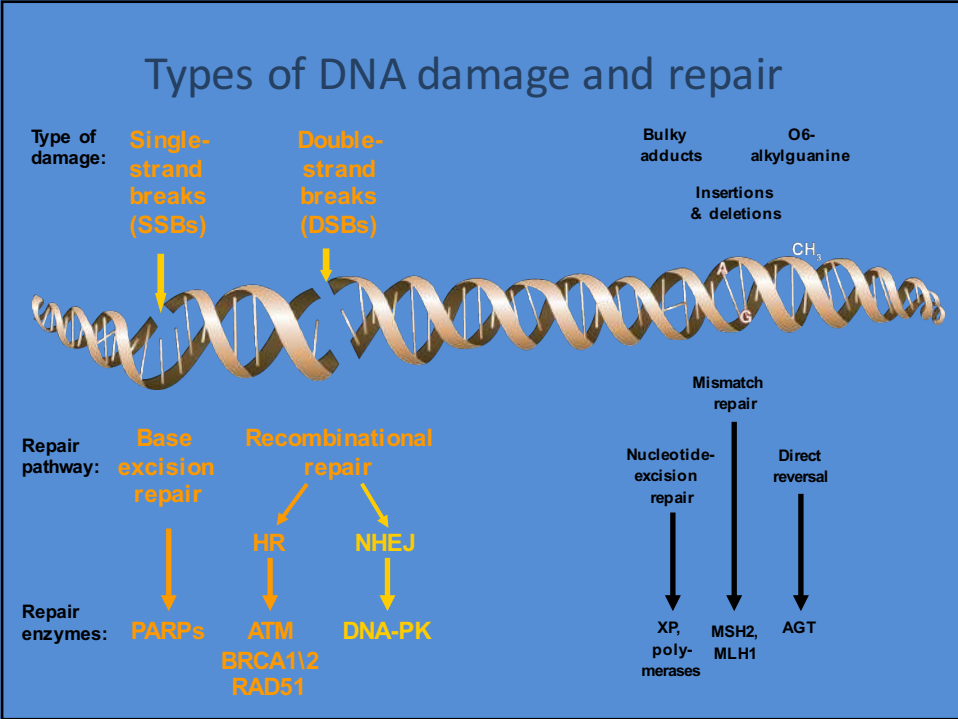
- **Local management**
 - Lumpectomy vs mastectomy
 - Bilateral mastectomy?
- **Systemic therapy**
 - No EBM to change adjuvant chemotherapy
 - Evidence to support use of DNA cross-linking agents & alkylating agents:
 - Platinum agents, Mitomycin
 - CMF (Cyclophosphamide/MTX/5FU)
 - PARP inhibitors
- **Reproductive considerations**
- **Ongoing follow-up**

LOCAL THERAPY CONSIDERATIONS

BCS vs Mastectomy

- BCS is a legitimate and safe choice
- Therapeutic radiation is safe:
 - Reduces local ipsilateral recurrence
 - Does not increase contra-lateral disease
- Contralateral mastectomy – some studies suggest that there may be a long term survival benefit
- **Decision must be tailored to individual's needs**

**WHY DOES PRESENCE OF A BRCA1/2 MUTATION
HAVE AN IMPACT ON SYSTEMIC THERAPY?**



**SYSTEMIC THERAPIES IN BRCA1/2+
BREAST CANCER**

Chemotherapy

Chemotherapy in BRCA1/2+ Breast Cancer

- Pre-clinical studies suggest increased sensitivity to agents that damage DNA in a way that interferes with DNA replication forks & which subsequently require DNA repair by HR:
 - DNA cross-linking agents (carboplatin, cisplatin, mitomycin)
 - Most NAST studies → increased response to platinum agents

BRCA analysis of GeparSixto

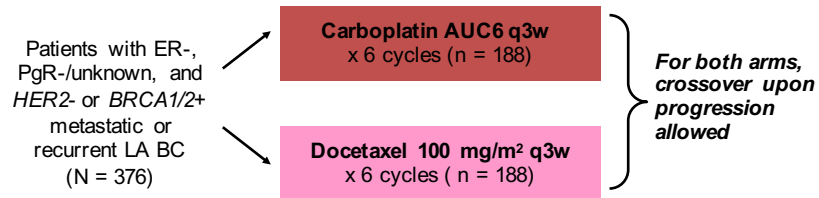
291 specimens for this analysis

50 with BRCA1 and 43 with BRCA2 mutations

	pCR rate With Carboplatin	pCR rate Without Carbo platin
mBRCA	65.4%	66.7%
Non-BRCA	55%	36.4%

Hahnen et al, JAMA Oncology, 2017

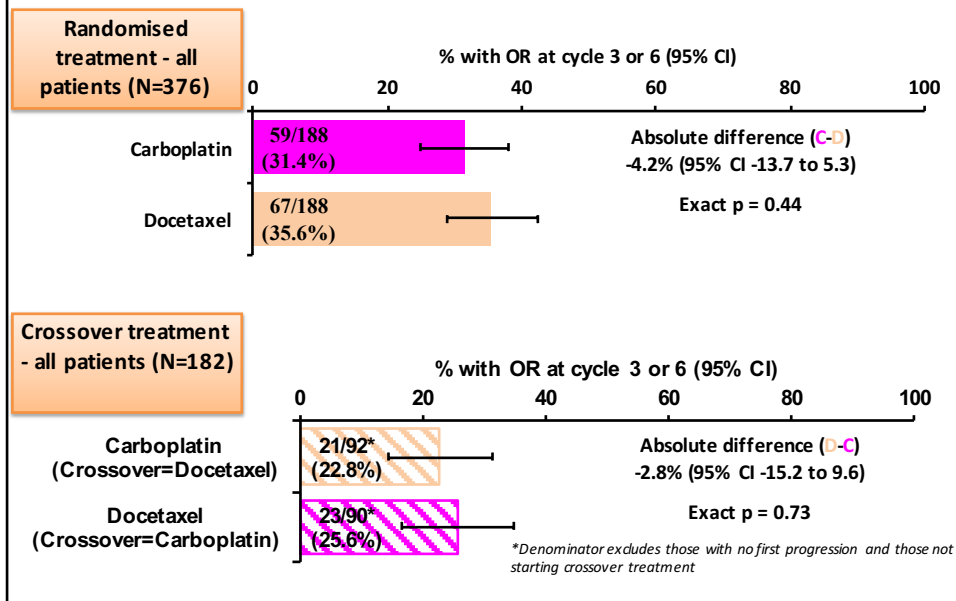
TNT: Carboplatin vs Docetaxel in Advanced TNBC or BRCA1/2+ BC

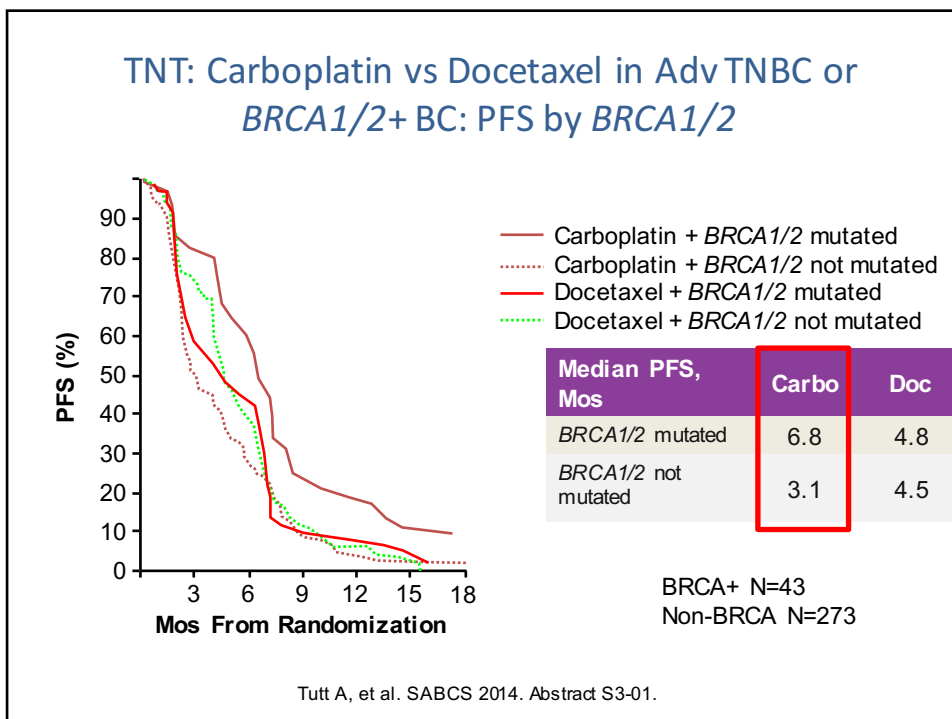
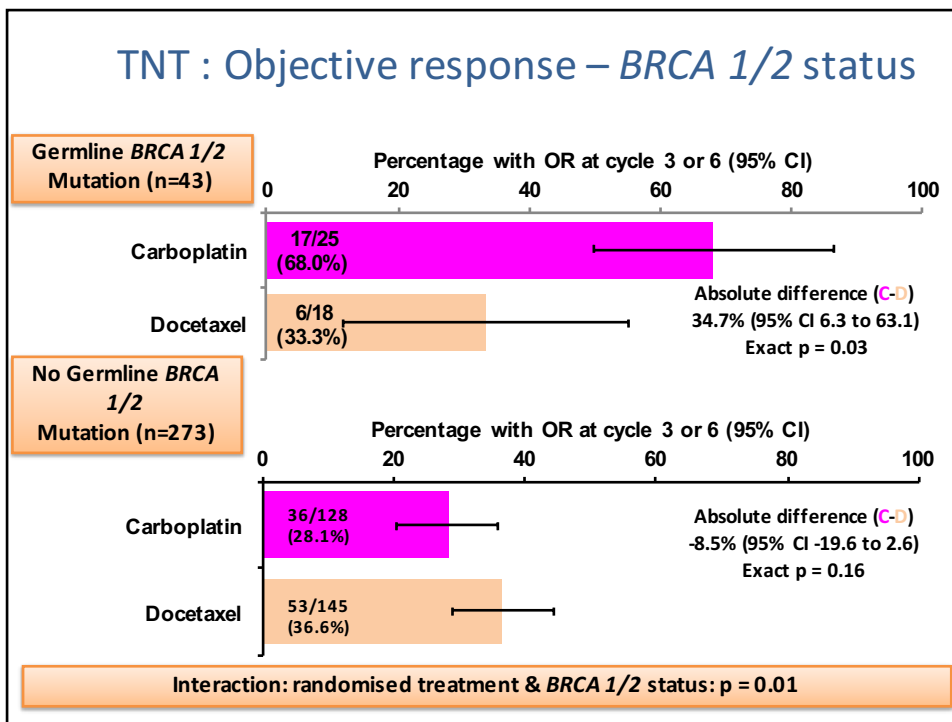


- Primary endpoint: ORR in ITT population
- Secondary endpoints: PFS, OS, ORR (crossover), toxicity
- Subgroup analyses: BRCA1/2 mutation, basal-like subgroups, HRD biomarkers

Tutt A, et al. SABCS 2014. Abstract S3-01.

TNT - Objective response

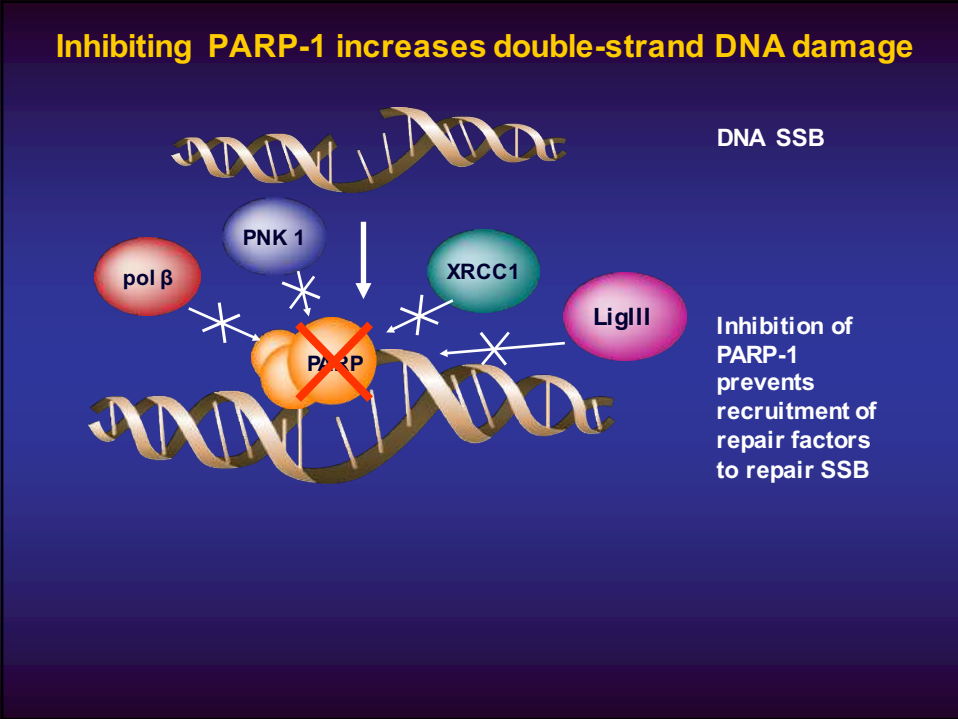
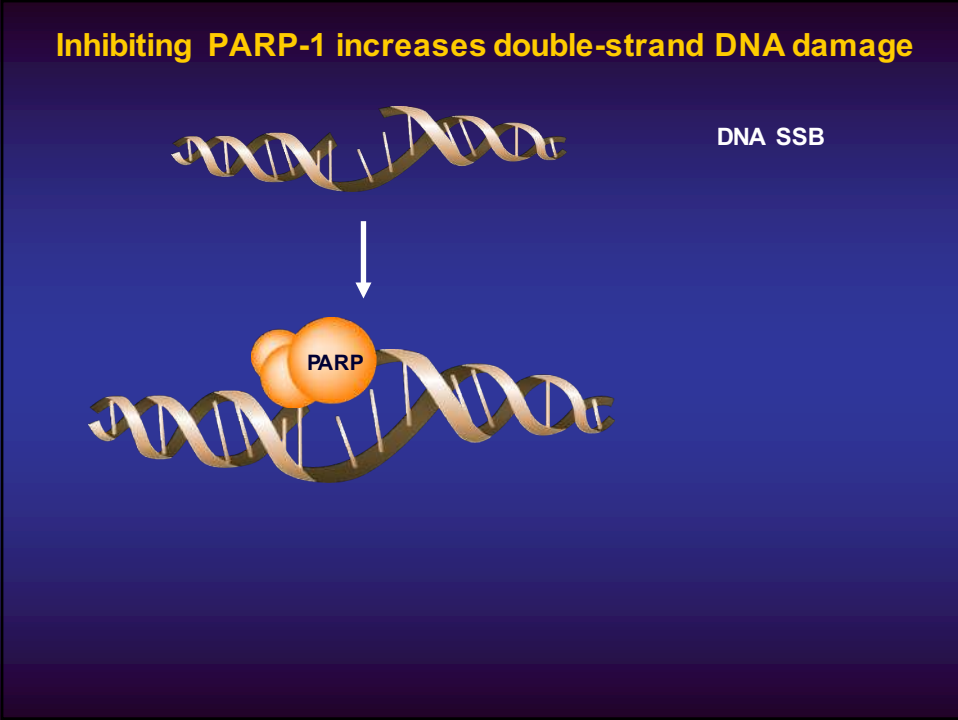


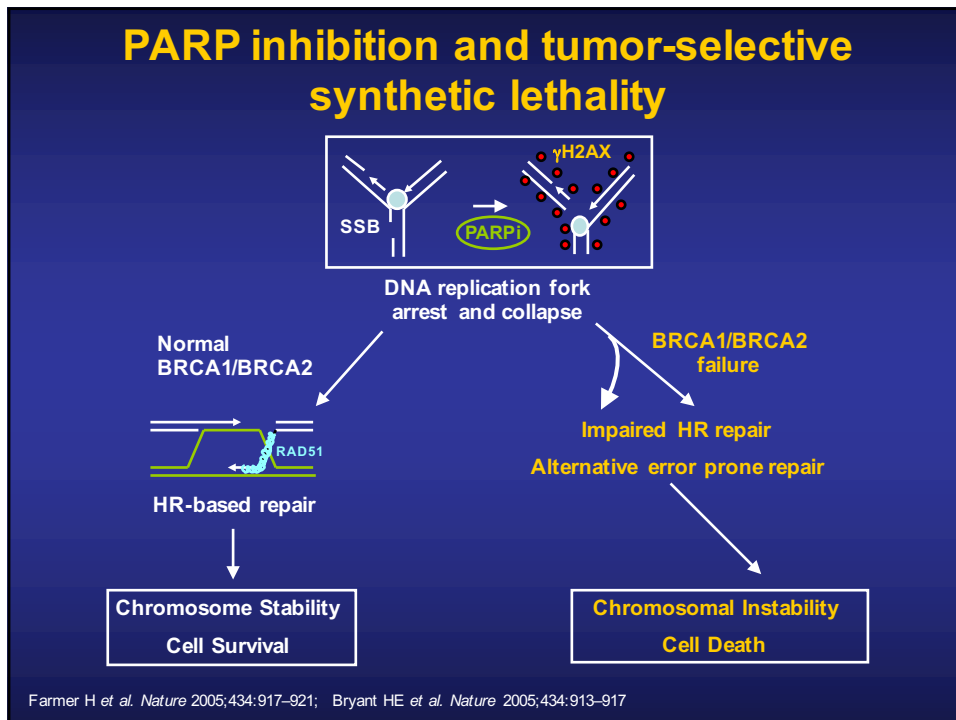
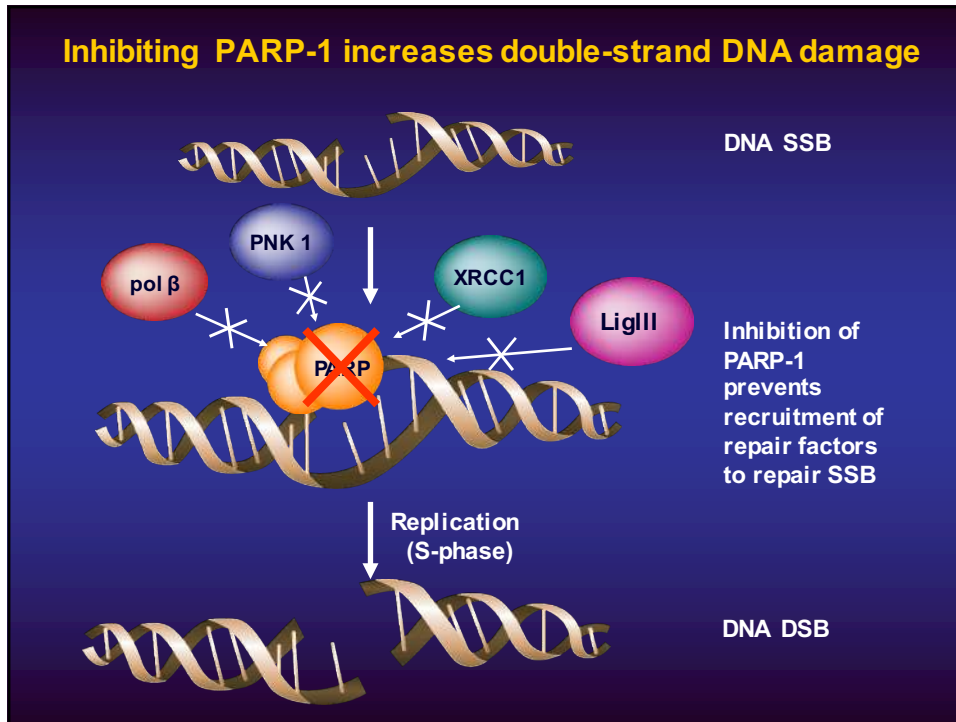


Conclusions from TNT

- BRCA+ triple-negative patients experienced a higher RR and greater PFS with carboplatin compared with docetaxel
- BRCA+ patients had high HRD-scores

PARP Inhibitors





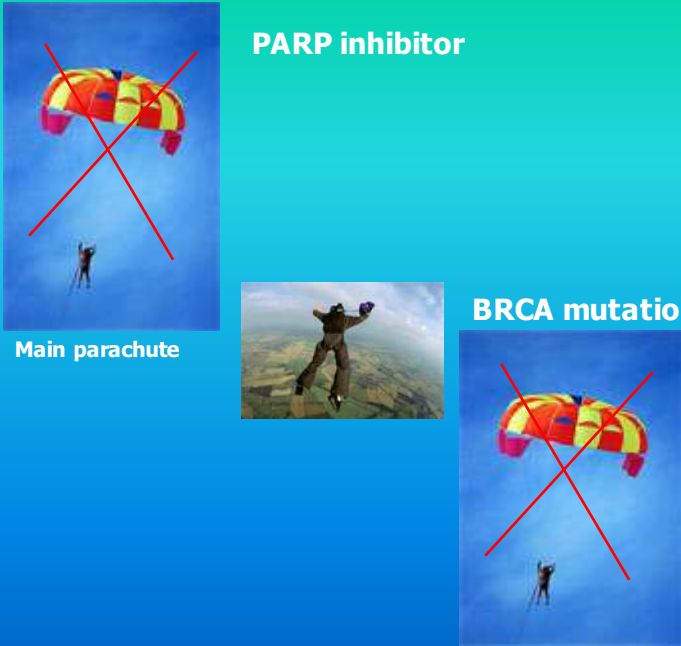


Main parachute

Reserve Parachute



PARP inhibitor




Main parachute

BRCA mutation

Death of the cancer cell

Reserve Parachute



Olaparib versus physicians' choice: the phase III OLYMPIAD study

- HER2-negative metastatic breast cancer
 - ER and/or PR positive (HR+) or – TNBC
- Deleterious or suspected deleterious *gBRCAm*
- ≤2 prior chemotherapy lines in metastatic setting
- Prior anthracycline and taxane
- HR+ disease progressed on ≥1 endocrine therapy, or not suitable
- If prior platinum use
 - No evidence of progression adjuvant treatment
 - ≥12 months since (neo)adjuvant treatment

**Olaparib
300 mg
tablets bd**

2:1
randomization

**Chemotherapy
treatment of
physician's choice
(TPC)**

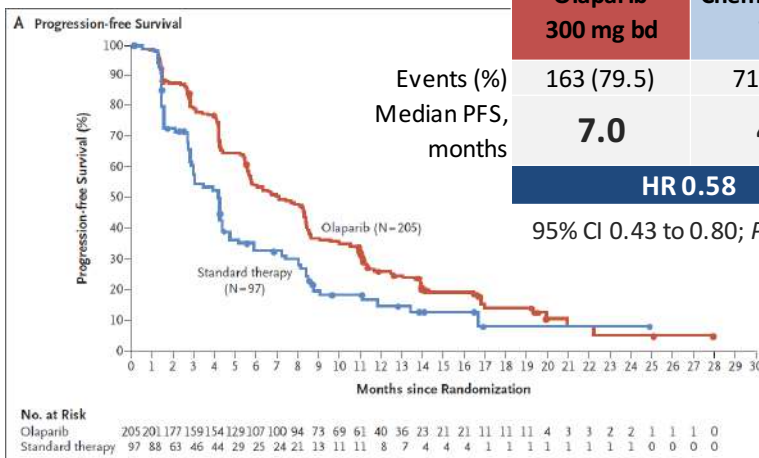
- Capecitabine
- Eribulin
- Vinorelbine

- Treat until progression**
- Primary endpoint**
- Progression-free survival (RECIST 1.1, BICR)
- Secondary endpoints**
- Overall survival
 - Time to second progression or death
 - Objective response rate
 - Global HRQoL (EORTC-QLQ-C30)
 - Safety and tolerability

Robson et al, New Engl J Med 2017

Olaparib versus physicians' choice: the phase III OLYMPIAD study

Primary end point: centrally-evaluated PFS

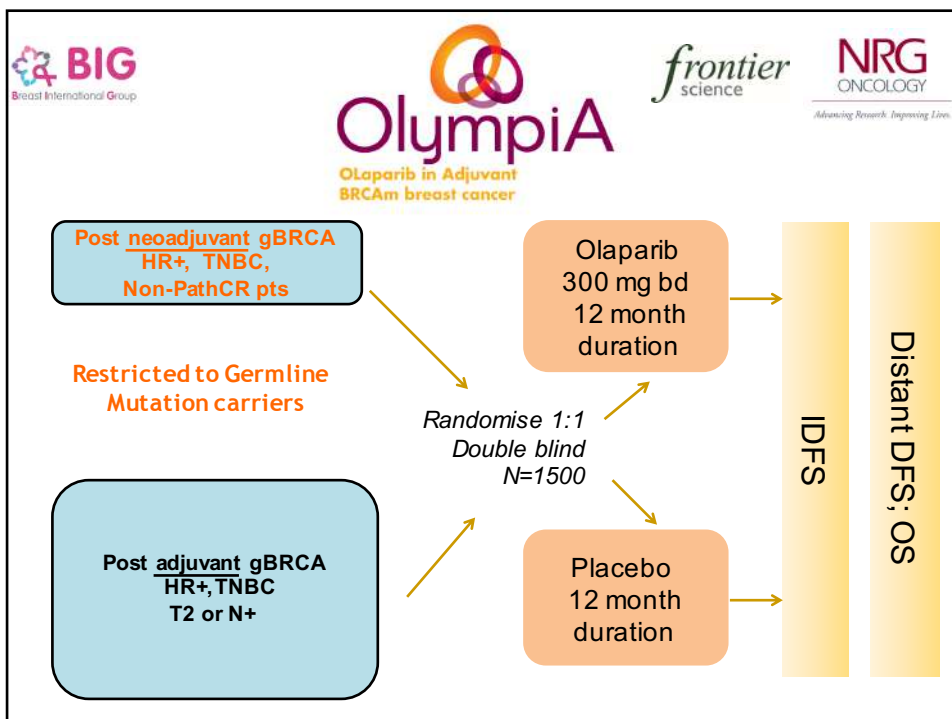


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OLYMPIAD : Summary of adverse events, all causality

n (%)	Olaparib 300 mg bd (N=205)	Chemotherapy TPC (N=91)
Grade 1-2	124 (60.5)	42 (46.2)
Grade ≥3	75 (36.6)	46 (50.5)
Death	1 (0.5)	1 (1.1)
Drug discontinuations	10 (4.9)	7 (7.7)
Dose reductions	52 (25.4)	28 (30.8)
Dose interruptions/delay	72 (35.1)	25 (27.5)

Robson et al, New Engl JMed 2017



REPRODUCTIVE ISSUES

Reproductive issues

- Timing of RRSO (risk reducing oophorectomy)
 - For BRCA1 – between 35-40
 - For BRCA2 – by 40 (45?)
- Fertility preservation
- PGD – pre-implantation genetic diagnosis
- Premature menopause – impact on sexual health, bone health, quality of life

Reproductive considerations in carriers

Reproductive considerations in BRCA mutation carriers

BRCA1/2 carriers can be reassured that there is no convincing evidence that mutation carriers have reduced ovarian reserve or fertility

All women harbouring a BRCA1/2 mutation should be encouraged to complete child-bearing prior to planned RRSO

For women who wish to undergo RRSO and have not yet completed child-bearing fertility preservation options should be discussed

BRCA1/2 mutation carriers (male and female) planning to conceive should be made aware of the options of pre-natal diagnosis (via chorio-villous or amniotic fluid sampling in week 11-20 of gestation) and PGD

Women harbouring a BRCA1/2 mutation who have been diagnosed with a malignancy should be counselled about options for fertility preservation prior to the commencement of oncology treatment

Appropriate counselling should be available and vaginal moisturisers and lubricants should be prescribed to all women following RRS

Short term use of HRT to alleviate menopausal symptoms following RRSO is safe amongst healthy BRCA1/2 mutation carriers

No safety data are available about the use of HRT amongst BRCA1/2 carriers with a previous diagnosis of breast cancer. The relationship between hormonal influences and the development of different breast cancer subtypes, including triple negative breast cancers, has not been fully elucidated thus HRT in the setting of a past breast cancer diagnosis should be strongly discouraged – irrespective of endocrine status of the initial tumour

Topical oestrogens to alleviate vaginal dryness may be used with caution

As a result of premature menopause, bone health needs to be routinely monitored, preventive measures taken and any reduction in bone density treated as clinically indicated

Paluch-Shimon S, et al, Annals of Oncology, 2016

Multigene testing Why do this?

- **More cost effective** (for the testing) to do multigene rather than serial testing
- **Patients (and providers!) can get testing fatigue**
- **The same cancer can be seen with different genes mutations**
 - Ovarian cancer in both BRCA1/2 and Lynch
 - Uterine cancer in Lynch and Cowden
 - Breast in Li-Fraumeni and BRCA1/2
- **Isn't more better?**

Management of Mutation Carriers *Consider...*

- **Psychosocial support to assist with:**
 - Adjusting to new information
 - most adjust within 3-6 months
 - subset remain psychologically distressed (16-25% anxiety and/or depression)
 - Making decisions regarding management
 - “to inflict surgery is a hard decision to make... when I don’t have the disease and feel healthy”*
 - Addressing family issues, self concept, body image
 - Dealing with future concerns i.e. child bearing, surgical menopause after oophorectomy
- **Referral to support groups**

In conclusion – in BRCA+ BC

- Germline testing has therapeutic implications in the setting of ABC
- Platinum agents have been demonstrated to be superior in triple negative BRCA+ MBC
- PARPi – Phase III data that superior to TPC
- Future studies – PARPi in the adjuvant setting immunotherapy, drug combinations to overcome PARPi resistance

In conclusion – in BRCA+ BC (cont.)

- ***All BRCA+ patients should be offered participation in clinical trials!!!***



Genetic testing in BC patients – when is the right time?



The question is not **if** to test, but
when to test

Thank you

