

# TREATING mCRPC PATIENTS WHO HAVE PROGRESSED ON AR-DIRECTED THERAPY

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# INTRODUCTION



- The increased use of potent AR-directed therapies, abiraterone and enzalutamide, in first and second-line treatment of mCRPC has improved patient outcomes but the development of secondary resistance remains a clinical challenge<sup>1</sup>
- Studies show limited benefit to using AR-directed therapies in patients previously treated with these agents<sup>2-6</sup>
- Drugs with different mechanisms of actions are more likely to be beneficial after new hormonal therapies, e.g. docetaxel, cabazitaxel, radium-223 or other agents
- There will be an increasing mCRPC patient population who have received prior treatment with new hormonal therapies (abiraterone, enzalutamide, apalutamide and darolutamide) earlier in their treatment journey

# NCCN TREATMENT GUIDELINES FOR mCRPC



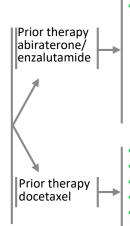


## SYSTEMIC THERAPY FOR M1 CRPC: ADENOCARCINOMA WITHOUT VISCERAL METASTASES

#### FIRST-LINE TREATMENT

#### Abiraterone with prednisone

- Docetaxel
- Enzalutamide
- Radium-223 for symptomatic bone metastases
- Abiraterone with methylprednisolone
- Clinical trial
- Other secondary hormone therapy



#### SECOND-LINE TREATMENT

- Radium-223 for symptomatic bone metastases
- Pembrolizumab for MSI-H or dMMR
- If not previously received:
  - Abiraterone with prednisone
  - Abiraterone with methylprednisolone
  - Enzalutamide
  - Sipuleucel-T
  - Clinical trial
  - Other secondary hormone therapy
  - Best supportive care
- Abiraterone with prednisone
- Cabazitaxel

Docetaxel

- Enzalutamide
- Radium-223 for symptomatic bone metastases
- Abiraterone with methylprednisolone
- Pembrolizumab for MSI-H or dMMR
- · If not previously received:
  - Sipuleucel-T
  - Clinical trial
  - Consider docetaxel rechallenge
  - Mitoxantrone with prednisone
  - Other secondary hormone therapy
  - Best supportive care

#### **SUBSEQUENT TREATMENT**

#### At progression

- If not previously received:
  - Abiraterone with prednisone
  - Enzalutamide
  - Cabazitaxel
  - Radium-223 for symptomatic bone metastases
  - Abiraterone with methylprednisolone
  - Mitoxantrone with prednisone
  - Pembrolizumab for MSI-H or dMMR
- Clinical trial
- Docetaxel rechallenge
- Other secondary hormone therapy
- Best supportive care

No clear recommendation for one treatment over another

CRPC, castrate resistant prostate cancer; dMMR, mismatch repair deficient; M, metastasis; mCRPC, metastatic castrate resistant prostate cancer; MSI-H, microsatellite instability-high; NCCN, national comprehensive cancer network.

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# MULTIPLE TREATMENT OPTIONS

FOR mCRPC

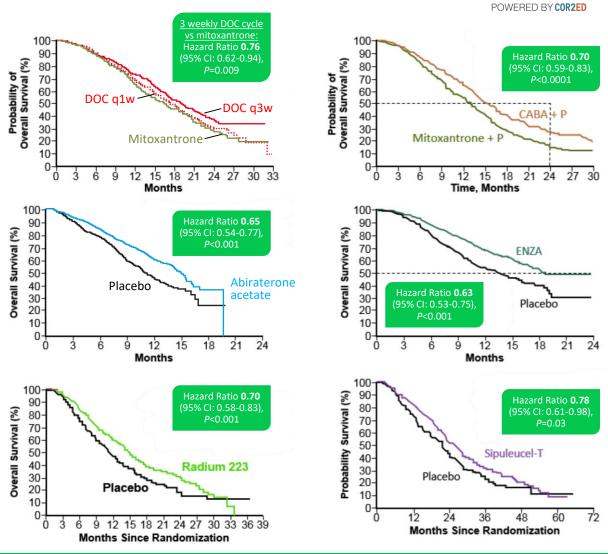
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No clear recommendation

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Different mechanism of action critical

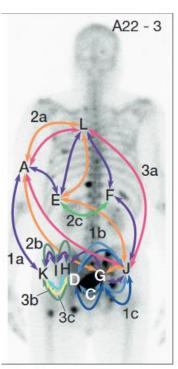


ABI, abiraterone; CABA, cabazitaxel; CI, confidence interval; DOC, docetaxel; ENZA, enzalutamide; mCRPC, metastatic castration resistant prostate cancer; q1w, once a week; q3w, every 3 weeks; P, prednisone.

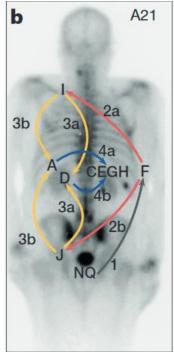
# NOVEL MECHANISM NEEDED TO TARGET RESISTANCE



- Resistance mechanisms commonly spreads through metastasis-tometastasis seeding
- Similar resistance patterns often occur in geographic proximity (interclonal cooperativity)



J - R. pelvic LN K - L. pelvic LN L - L. media. LN

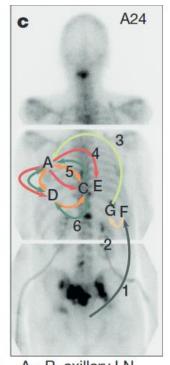


A - L. rib D - L. adrenal C - Liver F - R. rib nod. E - Liver I - L. clavicle

G - Liver J - L. iliac crest

H - Liver N - GL5 EPE

Q - GL3/5



A - R. axillary LN C - R. diaphragm

C - R. diaphrag

D - R. rib

E - Xiphoid

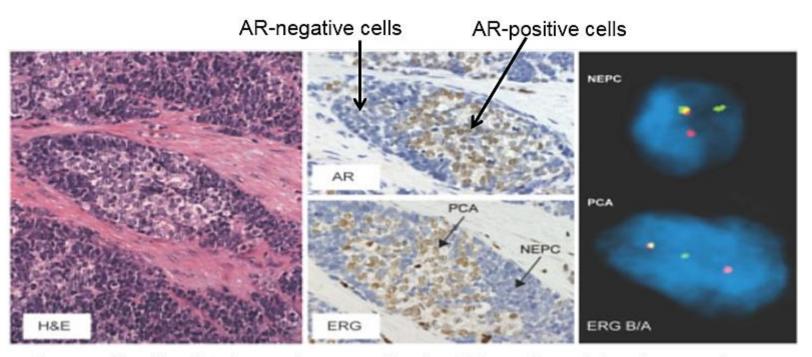
F - L. lobe liver

G - Falciform ligam.

# NOVEL MECHANISM NEEDED TO TARGET RESISTANCE



- Resistance occurs even within the same site of disease
  - Neuroendocrine features possible adjacent to AR-positive cells



Tumor with mixed features of neuroendocrine PCa and prostate adenocarcinoma

# BODY OF EVIDENCE SUGGESTS LIMITED BENEFIT TO SEQUENCING AR TARGETED THERAPIES



Drug	N	≥50% PSA response	Median PFS (months)	Median OS (months)
Enzalutamide → abiraterone + prednisone				
Attard G et al.1‡	125	2%	5.6	Not Reported
Khalaf D et al. <sup>2</sup>	75	4% <sup>†</sup>	TTPP: 1.7 months*	24.7
Abiraterone + prednisone → enzalutamide				
Smith MR et al. <sup>3</sup>	33	67%	TTPP: 2.8 months	Not Reported
Zhang T et al.4	9	11%	3.6	8.5
Azad AA et al. <sup>5</sup>	47	26%	6.6	8.6
Khalaf D et al. <sup>2</sup>	73	36% <sup>†</sup>	TTPP: 3.5 months*	28.8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Limited benefit of using abiraterone after enzalutamide in the PLATO trial – however was not the primary aim of this trial; <sup>†</sup>PSA ≥ 30% decline from baseline; <sup>\*</sup>Time to second PSA progression on second therapy

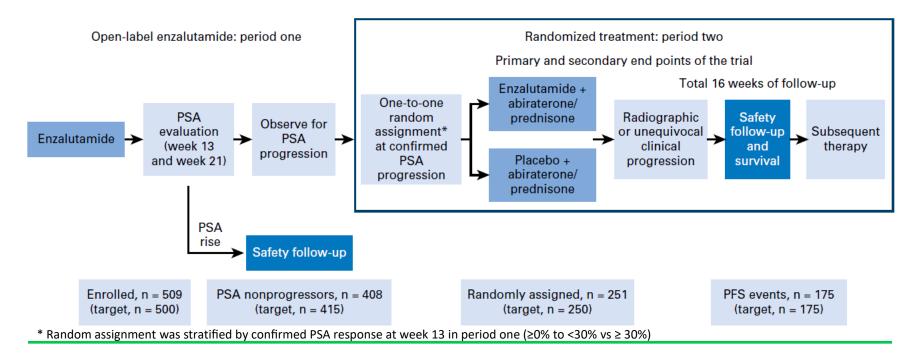
AR, androgen receptor; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression free survival; Prog, progression; PSA, prostate specific antigen; TTPP, time to PSA progression

<sup>1.</sup> Attard G, et al. JCO. 2018;36(25):2639-46; 2. Khalaf D, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2019;20:1730-39; 3. Smith MR, et al. Eur Urol. 2017;72(1):10-13; 4. Zhang T, et al. Clin Genitourin Cancer. 2015;13:392-9; 5. Azad AA, et al. Eur Urol. 2015;67:23-9.

# ABIRATERONE ALONE OR IN COMBINATION WITH ENZALUTAMIDE IN mCRPC WITH RISING PROSTATE-SPECIFIC ANTIGEN DURING ENZALUTAMIDE TREATMENT (PLATO STUDY)

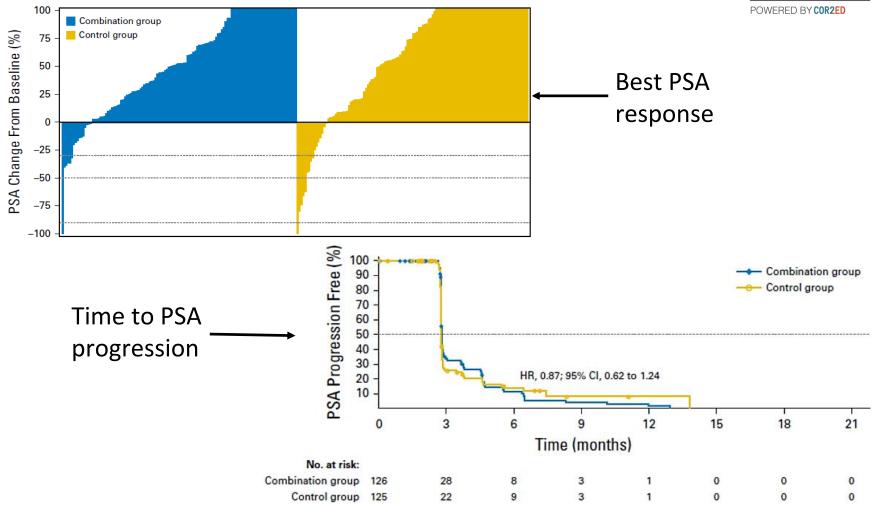


G. Attard, M. Borre, H. Gurney, Y. Loriot, C. Andresen-Daniil, R. Kalleda, T. Pham & M. Taplin on behalf of the PLATO collaborators



# **PLATO STUDY: PSA ENDPOINTS**





Primary endpoint of PLATO was not met therefore these endpoints are exploratory; PLATO reported limited benefit with abiraterone after enzalutamide with a low PSA response for both treatment groups

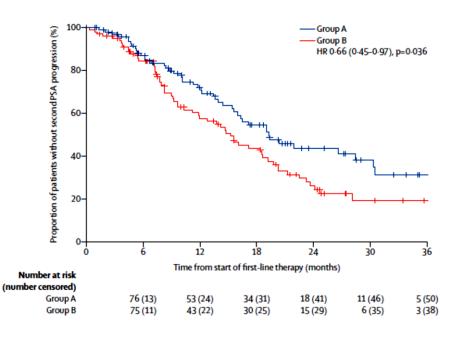
# **CANADIAN CROSS-OVER TRIAL**



## PHASE 2, CROSS-OVER TRIAL OF ENZALUTAMIDE AND ABIRATERONE IN mCRPC PATIENTS

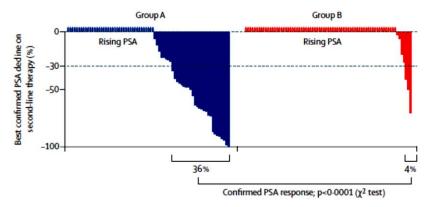
#### TIME FROM START OF FIRST-LINE THERAPY TO SECOND PSA PROGRESSION

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This trial demonstrated a benefit to sequencing AR targeted therapies, with enzalutamide after progression on initial abiraterone being the most effective





abiraterone acetate 1000mg od plus **Group A:** 

prednisone 5mg bd followed by crossover to

enzalutamide 160 mg od upon PSA

progression

**Group B:** enzalutamide 160 mg od followed by crossover

to abiraterone acetate 1000mg od plus

prednisone 5mg bd upon PSA

progression

## CARD STUDY DESIGN



- Multicentre, randomised, open-label study
- Enrolment: Nov 2015 Nov 2018
- Median follow-up: 9.2 months

Patients with mCRPC,
previously treated with ≥ 3
cycles of docetaxel and who
had progressed ≤12 months on
prior alternative ARTA (before
or after docetaxel)
N=255

Cabazitaxel (25 mg/m² Q3W) + prednisone + G-CSF n=129

Abiraterone (1000 mg QD)
+ prednisone
OR
Enzalutamide (160 mg QD)
n=126

### **Endpoints**

Primary: Imagingbased PFS

### **Key secondary:**

OS, PFS, PSA response, tumour response

### Other secondary:

Pain response, time to symptomatic skeletal event, safety, HRQoL, biomarkers

#### **Stratification factors:**

- ECOG PS (0/1 vs 2)
- Time to progression on prior alternative ARTA (0–6 vs >6–12 months)

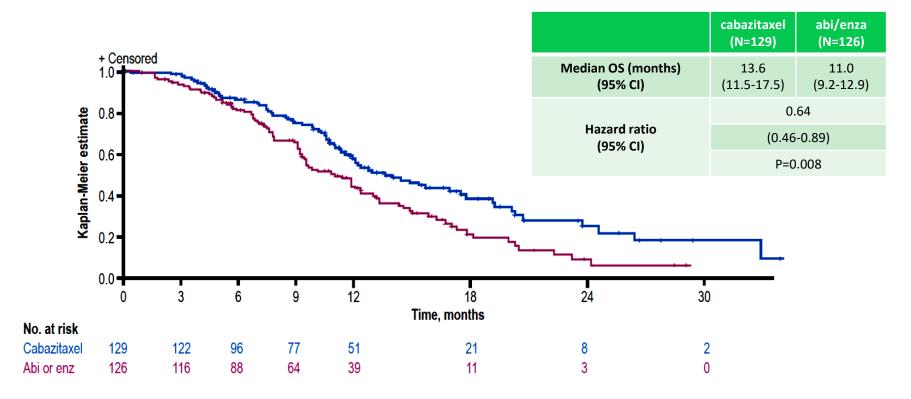
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Timing of ARTA (before vs after docetaxel)

# **CARD STUDY – SECONDARY ENDPOINT**



## **OVERALL SURVIVAL**



 The results of the CARD trial are in agreement with those of previous studies that have shown poor outcomes with a second androgen signaling-targeted inhibitor<sup>1-5</sup>

Abi, abiraterone; CI, confidence interval; enza, enzalutamide; OS, overall survival

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# USE OF NEW GENERATION ARIS EARLIER IN THE TREATMENT JOURNEY



## RECENT DATA AND REGULATORY APPROVALS



ARCHES: A Randomized, Phase III Study of **Androgen Deprivation Therapy With Enzalutamide or Placebo in Men With Metastatic** Hormone-Sensitive Prostate Cancer Andrew J. Armstrong, MD, ScM1; Russell Z. Szmulewitz, MD2; Daniel P. Petrylak, MD3; Jeffrey Holzbeierlein, MD6; Amauld Villers, MD5 Arun Azad, MBBS, PhD<sup>a</sup>; Antonio Alcaraz, MD, PhD<sup>a</sup>; Boris Alekseev, MD<sup>a</sup>; Taro Iguchi, MD, PhD<sup>a</sup>; Neal D, Shore, MD<sup>a</sup>; Brad Rosbrook, MS<sup>11</sup>; Jennifer Sugg, MS<sup>12</sup>; Benoit Baron, MS<sup>13</sup>; Lucy Chen, MD<sup>12</sup>; and Arnulf Stenzi, MD<sup>14</sup> PURPOSE Enzalutamide, a potent androgen-receptor inhibitor, has demonstrated significant benefits in metastatic and nonmetastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer. We evaluated the efficacy and safety of enzalutamide in metastatic hormone-sensitive prostate cancer (mHSPC). METHODS ARCHES (ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02677896) is a multinational, double-blind, phase III trial, wherein 1,150 men with mHSPC were randomly assigned 1:1 to enzalutamide (160 mg/day) or placebo, plus androgen deprivation therapy (ADT), stratified by disease volume and prior docetaxel chemotherapy. The primary end point was radiographic progression-free survival. RESULTS As of October 14, 2018, the risk of radiographic progression or death was significantly reduced with FDA approves enzalutamide for metastatic castration-sensitive prostate cancer f there ■ Tweet in Linkedie ■ Email → Print On December 16, 2019, the Food and Drug Administration approved enzalutamide (XTANDI, Astellas Pharma Inc.) for patients with metastatic castration-sensitive prostate cancer (mCSPC) FDA previously approved enzalutamide for patients with castration-resistant prostate Efficacy was investigated in ARCHES (NCTo2677896), a trial enrolling 1150 patients with mCSPC randomized (1:1) to receive either enzalutamide orally 160 mg once daily (N=574) or placebo orally once daily (N=576). All patients received a GnRH analog or had a prior The main efficacy outcome measure was radiographic progression-free survival (rPFS). Based on blinded independent central review, rPFS was defined as the time from randomization to radiographic disease progression at any time or death within 24 weeks after drug discontinuation. Radiographic disease progression was defined by identification of 2 or more new bone lesions on a bone scan with confirmation (Prostate Cancer Working Group 2 criteria) and/or progression in soft tissue disease. Time to new antineoplastic therapy was an additional endpoint. Median rPFS was not reached (NR) in the enzalutamide arm compared to 19.4 months (95% CI: 16.6, NR) in the placebo arm (HR 0.39; 95% CI: 0.30, 0.50; p<0.0001). A statistically significant improvement was also reported on the enzalutamide arm compared to placebo in time to initiation of a new antineoplastic therapy (HR 0.28; 05% CI: 0.20. 0.40; p<0.0001). Overall survival (OS) data were not mature at the time of rPFS analysis



ARI, androgen receptor inhibitors

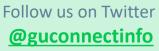
# **CONCLUSIONS**



- Choice of treatment for mCRPC patients is influenced by<sup>1</sup>:
  - Prior treatments the patient may have received for their prostate cancer
  - Novel mechanism of action important due to treatment resistance
  - Clinical factors and patient preferences guide treatment choice
- Increased use of new AR-directed therapies earlier in the patient's treatment journey may be expected due to recent drug approvals:
  - mHSPC: abiraterone, enzalutamide, apalutamide
  - nmCRPC: apalutamide, darolutamide and enzalutamide
- Sequencing of new hormonal therapies is associated with limited benefit, therefore other life prolonging agents recommended in patients previously treated with these therapies<sup>2-6</sup>
  - Currently available options include: docetaxel, cabazitaxel (after previous docetaxel), radium-223 (if symptomatic bone metastases)<sup>1</sup>
  - Other agents under investigation: such as PARPi, immuno-oncology drugs, new combinations, amongst others

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