

Phase II Study of Pembrolizumab and Lenvatinib in Platinum Sensitive Recurrent Ovarian Cancer NCT 04519151

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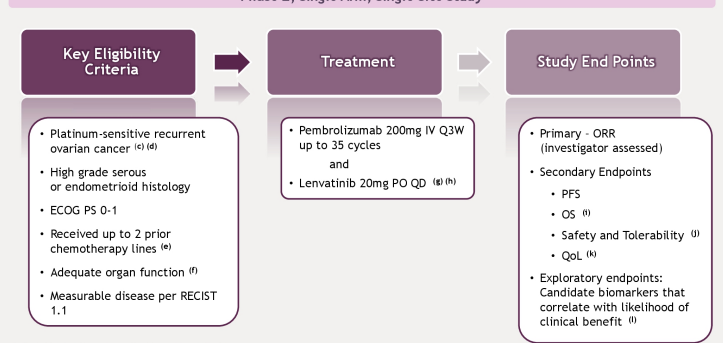
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BACKGROUND

- Ovarian cancer is the deadliest form of gynecologic cancers with over 12,700 deaths expected in the US in 2024¹
- Despite high response rate to primary chemotherapy and benefit of maintenance bevacizumab and PARP inhibitors, majority of the patients will experience relapse^{2,3,4,5}
- Patients with recurrent disease are candidates for multiple chemotherapy lines with accumulating toxicity and decreasing efficacy. The backbone of chemotherapy regimen will be platinum salt chemotherapy either as monotherapy or with non platinum agents as long as disease is defined sensitive or eligible for repeating platinum and safety profile is acceptable
- There is no proven survival benefit for early onset chemotherapy at non-symptomatic recurrence⁶
- Currently non-chemotherapy alternative has emerged as standard option
- While checkpoint blockade (with anti-PD-1) has altered treatment landscape in multiple cancers, affecting response probability, duration of response, progression free survival and overall survival, their role in ovarian cancer (alone/combined with chemotherapy or with PARPi) is yet to be defined^{7,8}
- Combined pembrolizumab and lenvatinib has proven efficacy in checkpoint blockade resistant tumors such as advanced MMR-P endometrial cancer, melanoma and kidney cancer suggesting synergistic effect of angiogenesis targeting tyrosine kinase inhibitors and checkpoint blockade immunotherapy^{9,10,11,12}
- LEAP 005 study explored the combination of pembrolizumab and lenvatinib in a small cohort of heavily pre-treated platinum resistant recurrent ovarian cancer with 30% RR¹³
- NCT 04519151 aim was to explore the role of combined pembrolizumab and lenvatinib in patient with platinum sensitive recurrent ovarian cancer

Study Design (a) (b)

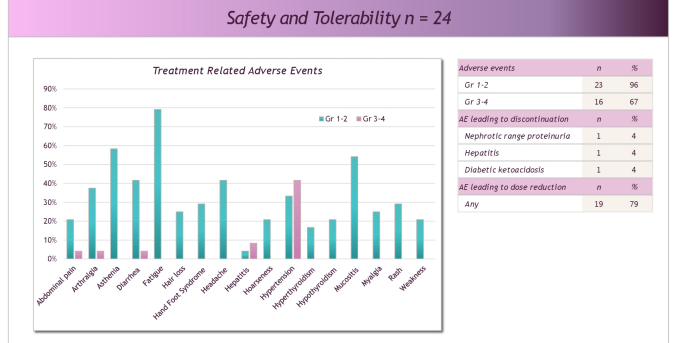
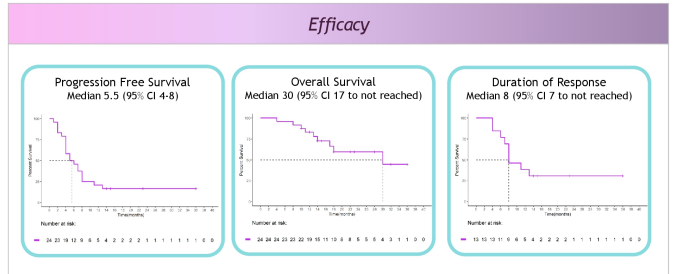
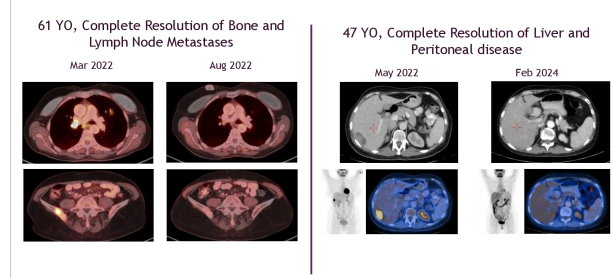
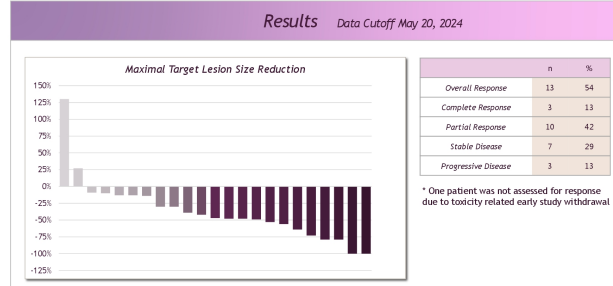


- (a) A single site, phase 2, single arm study
- (b) This is an investigator-initiated study supported by research grant from MSD
- (c) Includes primary ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer
- (d) Platinum sensitive disease is defined by imaging (CT/MRI) evidence for disease relapse over 6 months from prior platinum containing regimen
- (e) Prior maintenance therapy with bevacizumab or PARP inhibitors is allowed as well as prior hormonal treatment- either as maintenance or active disease
- (f) Defined by blood count and chemistry
- (g) Lenvatinib treatment can be maintained beyond 35 cycles in non progressing patients and upon investigator discretion.
- (h) Pembrolizumab dose can be delayed but not reduced, Lenvatinib dose could be withheld and reduced upon grade 2 non tolerable toxicity or G3-4 toxicity
- (i) Abbreviations: ORR= overall response rate by RECIST 1.1, PFS=progression free survival, OS=overall survival
- (j) By CTCAE v5.0
- (k) Assessed by EORTC QLQ 30 and EORTC OV28 at screening, C4D1, every 3 cycles thereafter and at end of treatment
- (l) Includes archival/fresh baseline tumor tissue and blood PBMCs, baseline fecal and vaginal microbiome samples, recurrent blood samples and vaginal microbiome and optional tumor biopsy upon progression

Patient Characteristics (n=24)

Enrolled between May-2021 and July-2023

Age, median (range)		60 (45-78)
< 65 years, n (%)		12 (50)
Stage at enrollment, n (%)	IIIc	11 (46)
	IV	13 (54)
Histology, n (%)	HGS	19 (79.2)
	Adenocarcinoma	5 (20.8)
Received neoadjuvant chemotherapy as first line, n (%)		11 (46)
Interval from last Platinum, n (%)	6-12 months	10 (42)
	> 12 months	14 (58)
BRCA mutation carrier, n (%)		5 (21)
HRD (non BRCA), n (%)	Positive	1 (4)
	Negative	11 (46)
	Unknown	7 (29)
ECOG PS, n (%)	0	18 (75)
	1	6 (25)
Prior treatment lines, n (%)	1	9 (37.5)
	2	15 (62.5)
CA-125 level	Up to 10 ³ U/mL	17 (71)
	> 10 ³ U/mL	7 (29)
Prior Bevacizumab, n (%)		12 (50)
Prior PARP-i, n (%)		11 (46)



CONCLUSIONS

- The combination of pembrolizumab and lenvatinib yielded meaningful response in patients with platinum sensitive recurrent ovarian cancer with 54% response rate, 8 months median response duration, 31% persisting over 18 months
- Adverse events were manageable with hypertension being the most prevalent G3-4 toxicity; adverse events, except from endocrinopathies, were reversible upon treatment withdrawal
- Overall survival is comparable with standard of care practice for platinum sensitive recurrence
- Biomarker analysis, including tumor RNA sequencing, immune phenotyping, fecal and vaginal microbiome composition is currently in progress to define patients with likelihood of benefit
- Quality of life at baseline and during treatment change is being analyzed for future presentation

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