

FOCUS Study: Physician's Choice Chemotherapy (PCC) Plus Bevacizumab and CA4P Versus PCC Plus Bevacizumab and Placebo in Platinum-Resistant Ovarian Cancer (prOC)

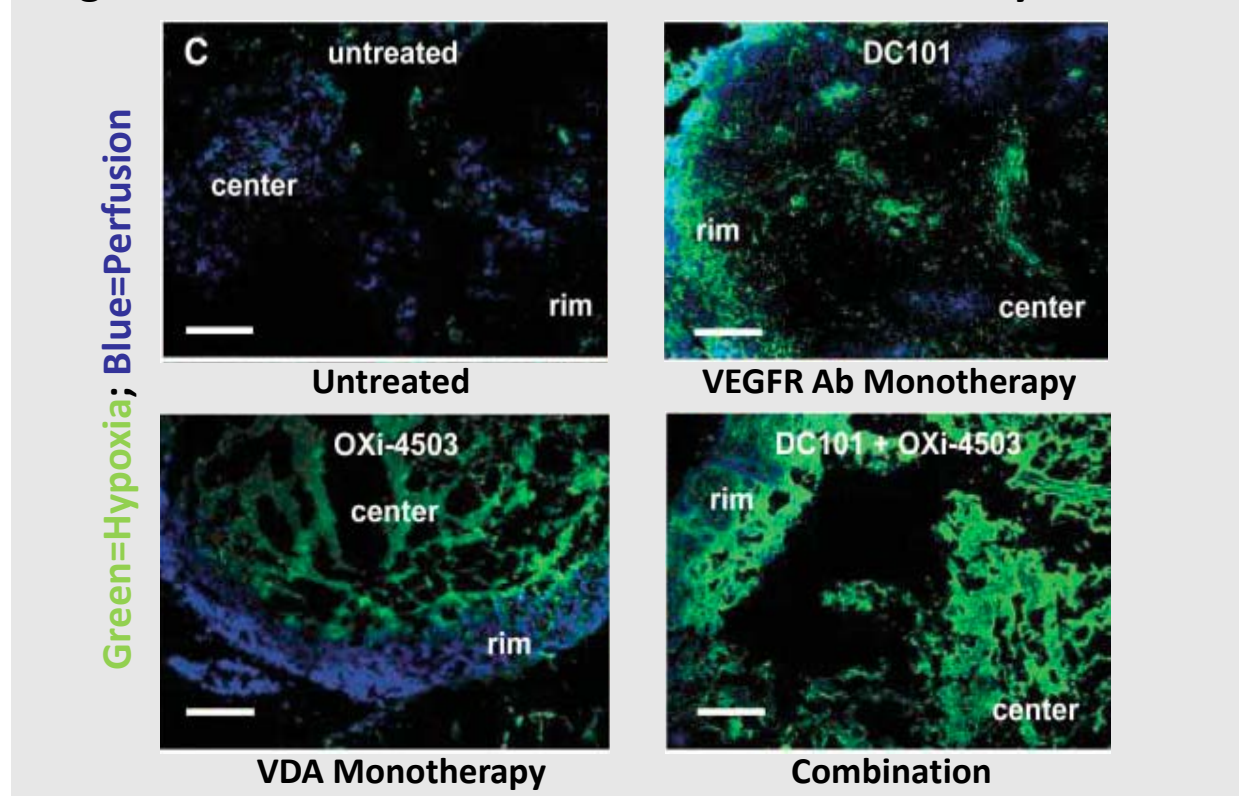
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Background

- Vascular Targeted Therapies (VTTs) can be classified into 2 categories:
 - anti-angiogenics (AAs) – inhibit angiogenesis
 - vascular disrupting agents (VDAs) – directly interfere with tumor vasculature
- Combretastatin A4-phosphate (CA4P) is a tubulin-binding VDA that leads to endothelial cell shape changes that occlude tumor vasculature, resulting in ischemic necrosis of tumor cells^{1,2}
- Preclinical studies demonstrate that the activity of VTTs may be enhanced by combining a VDA with an AA (Figure 1)^{3,4}

Figure 1. VDA + AA Enhances Antivascular Activity

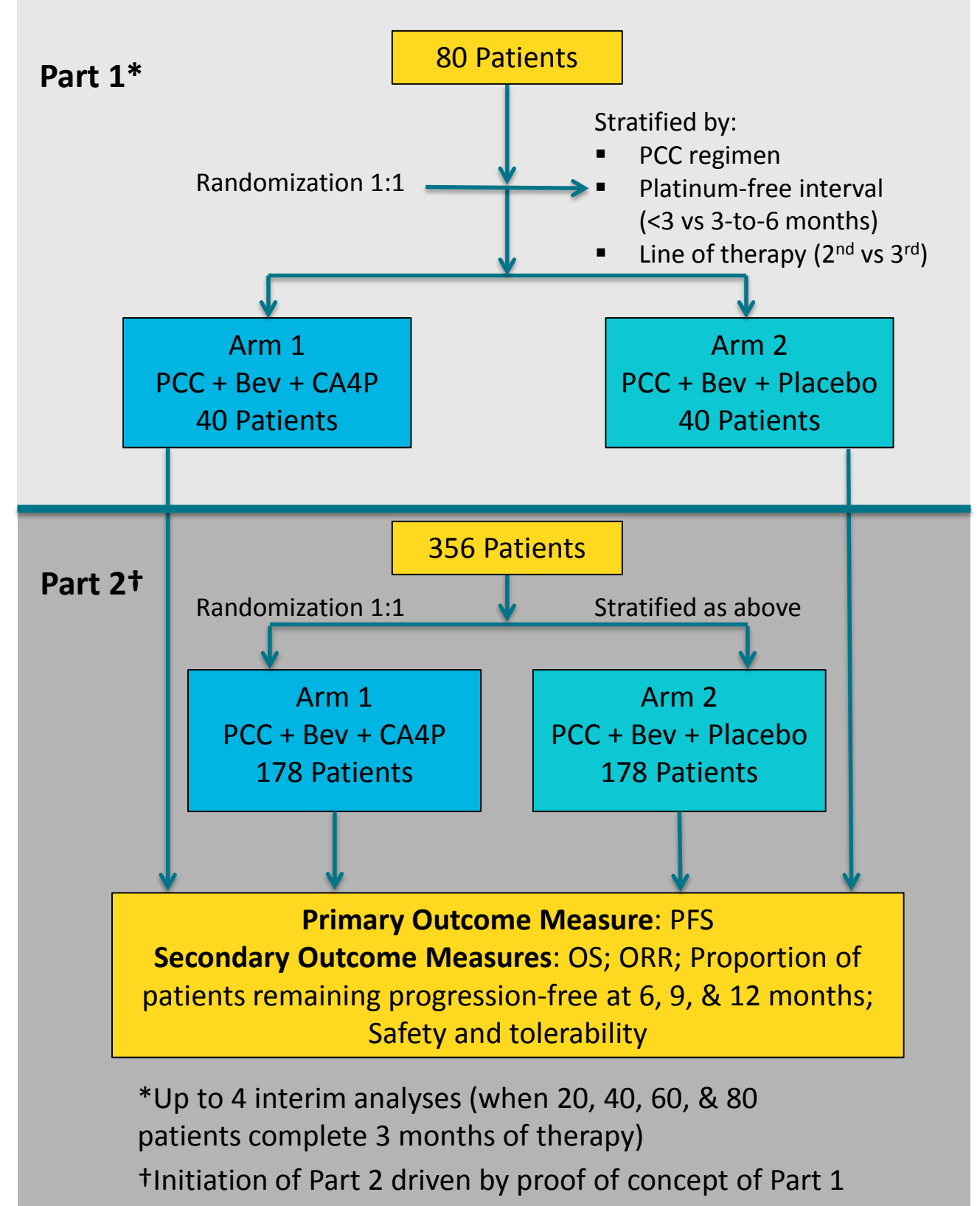


- Early-phase clinical results support combination VTT^{5,6}
- GOG-0186I: A Phase 2 study of Bev +/- CA4P in recurrent OC⁶
 - Median PFS was 7.3 months for CA4P + Bev vs. 4.8 months for Bev alone (HR, 0.69, 90%CI [0.47 to 1.00]; 1-sided P=.049)

FOCUS Study: Design and Methodology

- Multicenter, randomized, double-blind, Phase 2/3 study using a 2-stage design (Figure 2):
 - Part 1: Phase 2 exploratory study enrolling up to 80 patients
 - Part 2: Phase 3 pivotal study enrolling ~356 patients
- Treatment Regimens:
 - Arm 1:** PCC + Bev + CA4P
 - PCC: EITHER paclitaxel 80 mg/m² IV Days 1, 8, 15, 22 q4wks; OR paclitaxel 80 mg/m² Days 1, 8, 15 q4wks; OR pegylated liposomal doxorubicin [PLD] 40 mg/m² IV Day 1 q4wks
 - Bev: 10 mg/kg IV on Days 1 and 15 q4wks
 - CA4P: 60 mg/m² on Days 1 and 15 q4wks
 - Arm 2:** PCC (as above) + Bev (as above) + Placebo (q4wks)
- Patients continue treatment until progression, unacceptable toxicity, investigator decision, consent withdrawal, or study discontinuation
- Key Inclusion Criteria:**
 - Women ≥18 years with ECOG PS 0-1
 - Platinum resistant epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancer
 - Received ≥1 prior platinum-based regimen
 - Measurable disease
 - LVEF ≥45% at baseline assessment if subject is receiving PLD
- Key Exclusion Criteria:**
 - Prior treatment with CA4P therapy
 - Previously failed treatment with Bev + intended PCC
 - Previous treatment with >2 PCC treatments
 - Platinum-refractory disease
 - >Grade 2 peripheral neuropathy
 - Any history of thrombotic or hemorrhagic disorder or event
 - History of fistula, GI perforation, or intra-abdominal abscess
 - Uncontrolled hypertension or proteinuria

Figure 2: FOCUS Study Schema



Assessments

- Efficacy:** Radiologic evaluation (CT or MRI) performed at baseline and repeated every 8 weeks until disease progression; CA-125 assessed at baseline and every 4 weeks
- Safety:** Safety and tolerability measured by physical exams, vital signs, laboratory measures, ECOG PS, and incidence of AEs using the NCI CTCAE version 4.03

Statistical Analyses

- Primary Endpoint: PFS based on ITT population, using a stratified 2-sided log-rank test to test the hypothesis of equality of survival curves between groups (0.05 significance level)
- Secondary Endpoints/Safety: ORR analyzed using Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel test; Adverse event incidence rates for each treatment arm and for overall patients summarized using frequency and percentage

Study Status

- Study enrollment began in June 2016; it is anticipated that approximately 30 sites will be activated in the U.S. and Europe
- Part 1 of the FOCUS study is currently ongoing with results expected mid-2017

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