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ABSTRACT

Epithelial ovarian cancer is the leading cause of death from gynecologic cancer in the United States, with less than half of patients living >5 years following diagnosis. The NCCN Guidelines for Ovarian Cancer provide recommendations for the diagnosis, evaluation, treatment, and follow-up for patients with ovarian, fallopian tube, and primary peritoneal cancers. These NCCN Guidelines Insights summarize the panel discussion behind recent important updates to the guidelines, including revised guidance on alternative chemotherapy regimens for patients with advanced age and/or comorbidities, a new algorithm for recurrent low-grade serous carcinoma based on developing research and novel therapeutic agents, and updated language regarding tumor molecular analysis applications in ovarian cancer.

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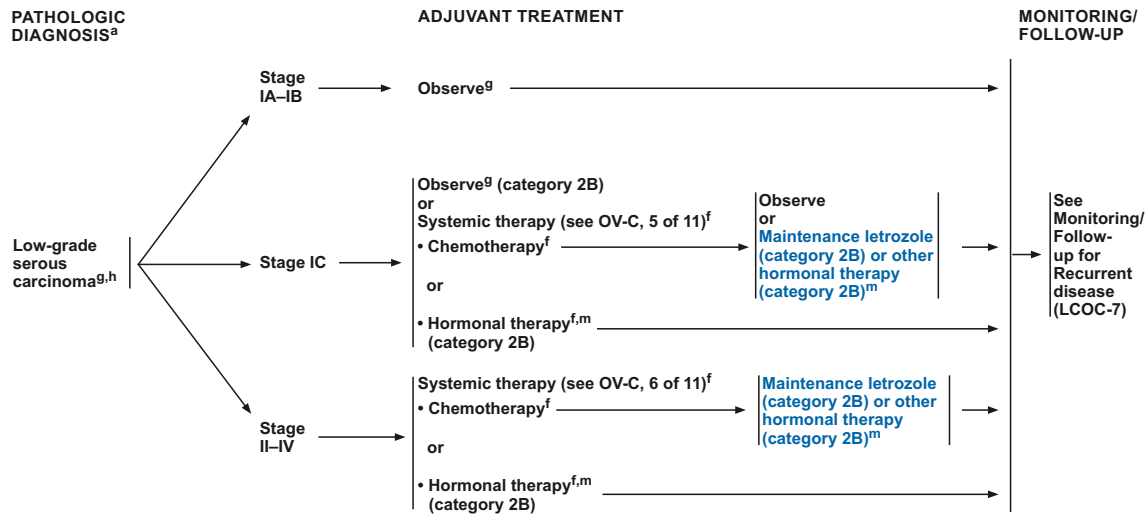
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^a See WHO Histologic Classification (OV-E).

^f See Principles of Systemic Therapy (OV-C) and Management of Drug Reactions (OV-D).

^g If not previously done, consider surgical staging and resection of residual disease (See OV-3).

^h If not previously done, consider germline and somatic testing (See OV-B).

^m Other hormonal therapy options include: aromatase inhibitors (anastrozole, exemestane), leuprolide acetate, tamoxifen.

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Overview

Ovarian neoplasms consist of several histopathologic entities, with epithelial ovarian cancer accounting for the majority of malignant ovarian neoplasms (~90%).^{1–4} Epithelial ovarian cancer is the leading cause of death from gynecologic cancer in the United States and is the country's fifth most common cause of cancer mortality in females.⁵ In 2022 it is estimated that 19,880 new diagnoses and 12,810 deaths from this malignancy will occur in the United States.⁵ Five-year survival is approximately 49%, although survival is longer for select patients with early-stage disease and certain histologic subtypes.^{5–8} Approximately half of patients present with distant disease; however, certain uncommon subtypes, such as clear cell and endometrioid cancer, are more likely to be diagnosed at earlier stages.^{5–7,9}

The NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines) for Ovarian Cancer discuss cancers originating in the ovary, fallopian tube, or peritoneum, and include recommendations for epithelial subtypes, including serous, endometrioid, carcinosarcoma (malignant mixed Müllerian tumors of the ovary), clear cell, mucinous, and borderline epithelial tumors (also known as *low malignant potential tumors*). The recommendations are based primarily on data from patients with the most common subtypes—high-grade

serous and grade 2 and 3 endometrioid carcinoma. Also included in the guidelines are recommendations for less common ovarian cancers (LCOCs), specifically carcinosarcoma, clear cell carcinoma, mucinous carcinoma, low-grade serous carcinoma (LGSC), grade 1 endometrioid carcinoma, borderline epithelial tumors, and nonepithelial subtypes including malignant sex cord-stromal tumors and germ cell tumors.

These NCCN Guidelines Insights summarize the panel discussion behind recent updates to the guidelines, including revised guidance on adjuvant chemotherapy regimens for patients with advanced age and/or comorbidities, an updated algorithm for LGSC based on emerging research and novel therapeutic agents, and revised language regarding tumor molecular analysis applications in ovarian cancer.

Adjuvant Chemotherapy Options for Patients With Advanced Age and/or Comorbidities

Adjuvant systemic chemotherapy is considered an essential component of care for patients with ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancers. For most patients with epithelial cancer types and stage I disease, first-line systemic therapy generally consists of intravenous platinum-based chemotherapy, with the guidelines recommending paclitaxel at 175 mg/m² + carboplatin at an

MONITORING/FOLLOW-UP FOR RECURRENCE

- Visits every 2–4 mo for 2 y, then 3–6 mo for 3 y, then annually after 5 y
- Physical exam including pelvic exam
- Tumor molecular testing if not previously doneⁿ
- Chest/abdominal/pelvic CT, MRI, PET/CT, or PET (skull base to mid-thigh) as clinically indicated^o
- CBC and chemistry profile as indicated
- CA-125^p or other tumor markers if initially elevated
- Refer for genetic risk evaluation, if not previously done^q
- Long-term wellness care (See NCCN Guidelines for Survivorship)

Recurrent disease^sRECURRENCE THERAPY^r

- Clinical trial
- or Trametinib^f
- or Binimetinib (category 2B)^f
- or Dabrafenib + trametinib (for *BRAF* V600E-positive tumors)^f
- or Hormonal therapy^t
- or Chemotherapy (if not previously used), see OV-C (6 of 11)
- or Other systemic therapy^{f,u}
 - For platinum-sensitive disease, see OV-C (8 of 11)
 - For platinum-resistant disease, see OV-C (9 of 11)
- or Observation

^f See Principles of Systemic Therapy (OV-C) and Management of Drug Reactions (OV-D).

ⁿ Validated molecular testing should be performed in a CLIA-approved facility using the most recent available tumor tissue. Tumor molecular analysis is recommended to include, at a minimum, tests to identify potential benefit from targeted therapeutics that have tumor-specific or tumor-agnostic benefit including, but not limited to, *BRCA1/2*, HR status, MSI, TMB, NTRK if prior testing did not include these markers. More comprehensive testing may be particularly important in LCOC with limited approved therapeutic options (See OV-B).

^o Imaging performed with oral and IV contrast (unless contraindicated) and rectal contrast as needed.

^p There are data regarding the utility of CA-125 for monitoring of ovarian cancer after completion of primary therapy. See The Society of Gynecologic Oncology (SGO) position statement and Discussion.

^q See NCCN Guidelines for Genetic/Familial High-Risk Assessment: Breast, Ovarian, and Pancreatic and NCCN Guidelines for Genetic/Familial High-Risk Assessment: Colorectal.

^r There is no standard sequencing of drugs for recurrent disease. Considerations include prior therapies, disease burden, relative efficacy, and relative toxicity profile.

^s Consider secondary cytoreduction in patients with long disease-free interval, isolated masses rather than diffuse carcinomatosis on imaging, and/or bowel obstruction.

^t An aromatase inhibitor (ie, letrozole, anastrozole, exemestane) is preferred if not used previously. Fulvestrant, tamoxifen, or leuprolide acetate is recommended if an aromatase inhibitor was given previously.

^u Data are limited on maintenance therapy for recurrent/resistant LCOC. See OV-8 for maintenance options after platinum-based therapy, and patient selection criteria.

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area under the curve (AUC) of 5 to 6 every 3 weeks (q3wk) as a preferred regimen. Intravenous platinum-based chemotherapy ± bevacizumab is also a recommended option for first-line systemic therapy for those with stage II–IV disease. Additionally, alternate regimens (such as platinum-based intravenous/intraperitoneal [IP] chemotherapy or hormone therapy) are recommended as options, depending on cancer subtype, completeness of the initial surgery, and stage of disease. The “Principles of Systemic Therapy” section of the full guidelines (OV-C 5–7 of 11; available at NCCN.org) provides a complete list of primary systemic therapy options recommended for epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube, and primary peritoneal cancers.

Unfortunately, patients with advanced age (≥ 70 years) and/or comorbidities may be less likely to tolerate certain combination chemotherapy regimens, leading to discontinuation before the regimen is completed.^{10–14} For example, patients aged ≥ 70 years undergoing paclitaxel/carboplatin-based therapy may be at higher risk of febrile neutropenia, anemia, diarrhea, asthenia, thromboembolic events, or hypertension (associated with bevacizumab).^{10,11} Studies have suggested that risk of severe toxicity, discontinuation of adjuvant chemotherapy, and even worse overall survival (OS) may be correlated with increased age (even among the elderly), functional status or depression at baseline (as quantified by the Hospital Anxiety and

Depression Scale, Activities of Daily Living score, Instrumental Activities of Daily Living score, and social activities score), lymphopenia, hypoalbuminemia, and a number of comedications.^{15–20}

Because elderly patients and individuals with comorbidities may be intolerant to the combination chemotherapy regimens, alternate combination therapy dosing (see OV-C 7 of 11, page 977) may be appropriate for these patients. For example, the dose of paclitaxel and carboplatin can be reduced. Guidance on how potential chemotherapy toxicity can be assessed can be found in the NCCN Guidelines for Older Adult Oncology (available at NCCN.org).

Prior versions of the NCCN Guidelines for Ovarian Cancer recommended carboplatin monotherapy as an option for elderly patients and/or those with comorbidities. Although this recommendation was based on clinical evidence from several studies,^{17–19,21,22} none of the studies were randomized trials specifically designed to evaluate single-agent carboplatin in elderly patients and/or patients with comorbidities.

More recently, the open-label, phase II, randomized EWOC-1 trial evaluated carboplatin monotherapy (AUC 5–6 q3wk) alongside 2 other carboplatin combination regimens (weekly paclitaxel, 60 mg/m²/carboplatin, AUC 2, or paclitaxel, 175 mg/m²/carboplatin, AUC 5 q3wk) in 120 patients aged ≥ 70 years with stage III/IV epithelial

PRINCIPLES OF PATHOLOGY

General

- The complete histologic classification from the WHO is included in the NCCN Guidelines (see WHO Histologic Classification on OV-E).¹ The WHO pathology manual is also a useful resource.^{1,2}
- Most ovarian cancers, including the LCOC, are diagnosed after pathologic analysis of a biopsy or surgical specimen. Fine-needle aspiration (FNA) should be avoided for diagnosis of ovarian cancer in patients with presumed early-stage disease to prevent rupturing the cyst and spilling malignant cells into the peritoneal cavity. However, FNA may be necessary in patients with bulky disease who are not candidates for primary debulking.^{3,4}
- Both primary peritoneal and fallopian tube cancers are usually diagnosed postoperatively (if there is no major involvement of the ovary) or preoperatively (if there is a biopsy and the patient has already had a bilateral oophorectomy). Primary peritoneal and fallopian tube cancers are treated in the same manner as epithelial ovarian cancer.
- The CAP protocol is a useful tool for pathology reports.^{5,6,7} Pathologic assessment should include:
 - ▶ Elements from CAP protocol:^{5,6,7}
 - ◊ Tumor site(s) (eg, ovary, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneum)
 - ◊ Tumor size(s)
 - ◊ Other tissue/organ involvement
 - ◊ Ovarian/fallopian tumors: surface involvement (present/absent/cannot determine), specimen integrity (capsule/serosa intact/fractured/fragmented)
 - ◊ Histologic type and grade
 - ◊ Extension and/or implants (if sampled/identified)
 - ◊ Cytology: peritoneal or ascitic fluid or washings/pleural fluid
 - ◊ Lymph nodes: number and location of nodes examined, size of largest metastatic deposits
 - ◊ STIC, endometriosis (particularly if in continuity with endometrioid or clear cell carcinoma), and/or endosalpingiosis

• Tumor molecular analyses

- ▶ In the up-front setting, choice of somatic testing should, at a minimum, optimize identification of molecular alterations that can inform use of interventions that have demonstrated benefit in this setting, including *BRCA1/2*, loss of heterozygosity (LOH), or homologous recombination (HR) status in the absence of a germline *BRCA* mutation.
- ▶ In the recurrence setting, tumor molecular analysis is recommended to include, at a minimum, tests to identify potential benefit from targeted therapeutics that have tumor-specific or tumor-agnostic benefit including, but not limited to, *BRCA1/2*, HR status, microsatellite instability (MSI), mismatch repair (MMR), tumor mutational burden (TMB), *BRAF*, and *NTRK* if prior testing did not include these markers. More comprehensive testing may be particularly important in less common histologies with limited approved therapeutic options. It is recommended that such testing be performed on the most recent available tumor tissue.
- ▶ Validated molecular testing should be performed in a CLIA-approved facility.

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ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancer.²³ A Geriatric Vulnerability Score (GVS) of ≥ 3 was also required for eligibility in this study. The GVS was developed to identify vulnerable elderly patients with advanced ovarian cancer¹⁷; those with a score ≥ 3 are likely to experience worse survival, lower treatment completion, and toxicity.

Data from this study suggested that carboplatin monotherapy was associated with significantly worse outcomes than the carboplatin combination therapy regimens in this patient population.²³ Median OS was 7.4 months (95% CI, 5.3–32.2 months) in the carboplatin monotherapy group compared with 17.3 months (95% CI, 10.8–32.2 months) in the weekly paclitaxel/carboplatin group and not reached in the paclitaxel/carboplatin q3wk group. The hazard ratio (HR) for inferior OS of the carboplatin monotherapy group versus the paclitaxel/carboplatin q3wk group was 2.79 (95% CI, 1.57–4.96; $P < .001$). Higher incidences of grade ≥ 3 thrombocytopenia and anemia were reported in the carboplatin monotherapy group than the carboplatin combination therapy groups. In contrast, higher rates of low-grade gastrointestinal adverse events, neuropathy, and alopecia were reported in the 2 carboplatin combination groups.

Due to the worse survival outcomes associated with carboplatin monotherapy compared with the carboplatin combination regimens, the trial was prematurely terminated on the recommendation of the independent data monitoring

committee.²³ Therefore, based on these data, the NCCN panel no longer recommends carboplatin monotherapy as an option for patients who are elderly and/or those with comorbidities, because carboplatin combination therapy is now considered the standard-of-care first-line chemotherapy regimen for this population.

The following regimens are recommended in the guidelines as options for elderly patients (age > 70 years) and/or those with comorbidities (OV-C 7 of 11, page 977): (1) intravenous paclitaxel, 135 mg/m² + intravenous carboplatin, AUC 5 given every 21 days for 3 to 6 cycles, depending on stage and cancer subtype,¹⁹ or (2) intravenous paclitaxel, 60 mg/m², followed by intravenous carboplatin, AUC 2 on days 1, 8, and 15, repeated every 21 days for 6 cycles.^{23–25}

The latter option can also be considered for patients with poor performance status. The “Principles of Systemic Therapy” section in the full version of these guidelines (available at NCCN.org) provides a complete list of recommended primary therapy regimens and dosing recommendations for ovarian, fallopian tube, and primary peritoneal cancers.

Management of LGSC

LGSC is a subtype of serous carcinoma that is considered pathologically distinct from the more commonly diagnosed high-grade serous carcinoma (HGSC), and represents $< 5\%$ of epithelial ovarian cancers.^{26,27} LGSC is characterized by

PRINCIPLES OF SYSTEMIC THERAPY

Primary Systemic Therapy Regimens^c - Epithelial Ovarian (including LCOC)/Fallopian Tube/Primary Peritoneal

Primary Systemic Therapy Recommended Dosing	
IV/IP Paclitaxel/cisplatin • Paclitaxel 135 mg/m ² IV continuous infusion ^k Day 1; Cisplatin 75–100 mg/m ² IP Day 2 after IV paclitaxel; Paclitaxel 60 mg/m ² IP Day 8 • Repeat every 21 days x 6 cycles Paclitaxel/carboplatin q3weeks^{f,i} • Paclitaxel 175 mg/m ² IV followed by carboplatin ^m AUC 5–6 IV Day 1 • Repeat every 21 days x 3–6 cycles ^l Paclitaxel weekly/carboplatin q3weeks^f • Dose-dense paclitaxel 80 mg/m ² IV Days 1, 8, and 15 followed by carboplatin ^k AUC 5–6 IV Day 1 • Repeat every 21 days x 6 cycles Paclitaxel weekly/carboplatin weekly^f • Paclitaxel 60 mg/m ² IV followed by carboplatin AUC 2 IV • Days 1, 8, and 15; repeat every 21 days x 6 cycles (18 weeks) ^j	Docetaxel/carboplatin^l • Docetaxel 60–75 mg/m ² IV followed by carboplatin ^m AUC 5–6 IV Day 1 • Repeat every 21 days x 3–6 cycles ^l Carboplatin/liposomal doxorubicin^l • Carboplatin AUC 5 IV + pegylated liposomal doxorubicin 30 mg/m ² IV • Repeat every 28 days for 3–6 cycles ^l Paclitaxel/carboplatin/bevacizumab + maintenance bevacizumab^{f,i} (ICON-7) • Paclitaxel 175 mg/m ² IV followed by carboplatin ^m AUC 5–6 IV, and bevacizumab 7.5 mg/kg IV Day 1 • Repeat every 21 days x 5–6 cycles • Continue bevacizumab for up to 12 additional cycles Paclitaxel/carboplatin/bevacizumab + maintenance bevacizumab^{f,i} (GOG-218) • Paclitaxel 175 mg/m ² IV followed by carboplatin ^m AUC 6 IV Day 1. Repeat every 21 days x 6 cycles • Starting Day 1 of cycle 2, give bevacizumab 15 mg/kg IV every 21 days for up to 22 cycles
Elderly Patients (age >70 years) and/or Those with Comorbidities Paclitaxel 135/carboplatin^{f,9} • Paclitaxel 135 mg/m ² IV + carboplatin AUC 5 IV given every 21 days x 3–6 cycles ^l Paclitaxel weekly/carboplatin weekly^f • Paclitaxel 60 mg/m ² IV over 1 hour followed by carboplatin AUC 2 IV over 30 minutes • Days 1, 8, and 15; repeat every 21 days x 6 cycles (18 weeks)	

^c See Discussion for references.

^f Albumin-bound paclitaxel may be substituted for those experiencing a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel. However, albumin-bound paclitaxel will not overcome infusion reactions in all patients.

ⁱ An FDA-approved biosimilar is an appropriate substitute for bevacizumab.

^j Regimen may be considered for those with poor performance status.

^k The published randomized trial regimen used IV continuous infusion paclitaxel over 24 hours.

^l For stage I disease: 6 cycles is recommended for high-grade serous; 3–6 cycles for all other ovarian cancer types. For stage II–IV disease: 6 cycles is recommended.

^m Due to changes in creatinine methodology, changes regarding carboplatin dosing can be considered. For carboplatin dosing guidelines, see <https://www.mskcc.org/clinical-updates/new-guidelines-carboplatin-dosing>.

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mild to moderate nuclear atypia, and up to 12 mitoses per 10 high-powered fields (HPF), whereas HGSC is characterized by marked nuclear atypia and >12 mitoses per 10 HPF.^{27–29} Additionally, activating mutations in the MAPK pathway are frequently identified in LGSC, but not HGSC; in contrast, *TP53* mutations are generally associated with HGSC, but not LGSC.^{30–35} LGSCs is associated with more indolent disease and presents at a younger age than HGSCs; however, they are also often advanced at diagnosis.^{28,29,36,37} Approximately 60% of LGSCs (vs 2% of HGSCs) are also associated with serous borderline tumors (low malignant potential).²⁹ Due to these distinctions, patients with LGSCs are generally managed differently from those with HGSCs, as described in the following section.

Primary Treatment

Primary treatment for LGSCs consists of completion surgery with comprehensive staging, followed by adjuvant therapy or observation.³⁶ Typically the diagnosis of LGSC is made via comprehensive pathology review after initial surgery. The staging system for high-grade serous ovarian, fallopian tube, and primary peritoneal cancers is also used for those that are low-grade serous.³⁸ LGSCs often respond poorly to chemotherapy compared with HGSCs³⁹; therefore, neoadjuvant chemotherapy is less favored for patients with LGSC.³⁶

Recommendations for adjuvant treatment are stratified by stage in the guidelines (see LCOC-6, page 974). Postoperative observation is a category 2A recommendation for stage IA and IB disease and a category 2B recommendation for IC disease. Several adjuvant systemic therapy options, including paclitaxel/platinum-containing regimens, are recommended for stage IC or stage II–IV disease, although there are limited data on systemic therapy regimens in patients with LGSC in general.

Patients with LGSCs may also benefit from maintenance hormone therapy following adjuvant chemotherapy. One database study observed that patients with stage II–IV LGSC who received maintenance hormone therapy after completing primary cytoreductive surgery and first-line platinum-based chemotherapy experienced longer progression-free survival (PFS) than those who did not receive maintenance hormone therapy (median PFS, 64.9 vs 26.4 months; $P < .001$).⁴⁰ Most patients in the study received letrozole (54.3%), with a lower proportion receiving tamoxifen (28.6%). Based on these data, maintenance hormone therapy (letrozole, anastrozole, exemestane, leuprolide acetate, or tamoxifen) is a category 2B recommendation in the guidelines.

Adjuvant hormone therapy as a substitute for adjuvant chemotherapy is another potential option for these patients.⁴¹ However, because there are no supporting prospective data,

this is a category 2B recommended option in the guidelines. A randomized trial of paclitaxel/carboplatin chemotherapy followed by maintenance hormonal therapy versus hormonal therapy alone in patients with LGSC is currently underway (NRG identifier: NRG-GY019).

Monitoring/Follow-up for Recurrent Disease

Unfortunately, patients with LGSC, particularly those with advanced-stage disease, may experience disease relapse; therefore, continued monitoring of these patients is essential. The guidelines recommend monitoring for potential recurrence of LGSC through follow-up visits every 2 to 4 months for 2 years, followed by 3 to 6 months for 3 years, and then annually after 5 years (see LCOC-7, page 975). These visits should consist of a physical examination, including a pelvic examination. Tumor molecular testing is recommended, if not previously done; more comprehensive somatic genetic testing may be particularly important in LGSC, which has limited approved therapeutic options. Imaging and CBC count/chemistry profile are also recommended, as clinically indicated. CA-125 or other tumor markers should be assessed if initially elevated. Refer patients for a genetic risk evaluation, if not previously done. For guidance on long-term wellness care for patients who have been treated for LGSC, please refer to the NCCN Guidelines for Survivorship (available at NCCN.org).

Recurrence Therapy

The NCCN Guidelines recommend several options for patients with recurrent LGSC (see LCOC-7, page 975). Secondary cytoreduction can be considered for patients with a long disease-free interval, isolated masses rather than diffuse carcinomatosis on imaging, and/or bowel obstruction. Systemic therapy is another option for this patient population; however, the guidelines emphasize that there is no standard sequencing of drugs for recurrent disease. Therefore, each patient should be evaluated on an individual basis, taking into consideration prior therapies, disease burden, molecular profile, and the relative efficacy and toxicity profile before initiating systemic therapy. Recommended systemic therapies for this patient population in this setting include chemotherapy (if not previously used) and hormonal therapy.^{36,42}

However, it has been reported that LGSC may be more chemoresistant than HGSC in the recurrent setting.⁴³ Thus, effective systemic options for recurrent LGSC have remained an unmet need. Importantly, recent studies have suggested that MEK inhibitors have activity in recurrent LGSC. A phase II/III, open-label, randomized study evaluated the efficacy and safety of trametinib, a MEK1/2 inhibitor, compared with 5 standard-of-care (SoC) options (paclitaxel, pegylated liposomal doxorubicin, topotecan, letrozole, or tamoxifen) in 260 patients with recurrent LGSC.⁴⁴ The median PFS was 13.0 months in the trametinib arm compared with 7.2 months in the SoC group (HR, 0.48;

95% CI, 0.36–0.64; $P < .0001$). The overall response rate (ORR) of the trametinib group was 26%, which was significantly higher than the 6% ORR of the SoC group ($P < .0001$). The most common grade 3 or 4 adverse events reported in the trametinib group were skin rash, anemia, hypertension, diarrhea, nausea, and fatigue. Due to the superior outcomes reported in this trial, the NCCN panel recommends trametinib as a category 2A option for patients with recurrent LGSC.

The efficacy and safety of another MEK1/2 inhibitor, binimetinib, was evaluated in a phase III open-label study in 303 patients with recurrent LGSC.⁴⁵ Patients were randomized to receive either binimetinib or physician's choice chemotherapy (PCC; pegylated liposomal doxorubicin, paclitaxel, or topotecan). Median PFS was 9.1 months in the binimetinib group versus 10.6 months in the PCC group (HR, 1.21; 95% CI, 0.79–1.86; $P = .807$); therefore, the primary endpoint of PFS by blinded independent central review (BICR) was not met in this study. However, binimetinib was numerically superior to PCC across certain endpoints, such as PFS by local investigator assessment (12.5 vs 11.6 months, respectively) and ORR by BICR (16% vs 13%, respectively). Additionally, PFS and ORR data from a post hoc analysis suggested that a response to binimetinib may be associated with the presence of a *KRAS* mutation. Based on these data, the NCCN panel recommends binimetinib as a category 2B option for patients with recurrent LGSC.

Recently, a new option became available for patients with recurrent LGSC with a *BRAF* V600E mutation. In June 2022, the FDA granted accelerated approval to selective BRAF inhibitor dabrafenib in combination with trametinib for the treatment of adult and pediatric patients (aged ≥ 6 years) with unresectable or metastatic solid tumors with *BRAF* V600E mutation who have experienced disease progression following prior treatment and have no satisfactory alternative treatment options.^{46–48} This approval was based on several studies; one of these was the phase II, open-label, single-arm NCI-MATCH trial (subprotocol H), in which dabrafenib in combination with trametinib was evaluated in patients with solid tumors, lymphoma, or multiple myeloma whose disease progressed on at least one standard therapy.⁴⁹ Of the 29 patients included in the primary analysis, 5 had LGSC and 1 had mucinous-papillary serous adenocarcinoma of peritoneum. The ORR of the overall population was 38%, with a PFS of 11.4 months. Notably, a clinical benefit was observed in all 6 patients with primary gynecologic cancer; 5 achieved a partial response (> 12 months for 3 patients) and 1 had stable disease for 8 months following treatment. Based on the results, the combination of dabrafenib and trametinib has been added to the guidelines as a category 2A recurrence therapy option for patients with *BRAF* V600E–positive tumors (including LGSC).

In addition to the options described earlier, other acceptable systemic recurrence therapies listed in the

“Principles of Systemic Therapy” section in the full version of these guidelines (pages OV-C 8 and 9 of 11, available at NCCN.org) can be considered. Clinical trial enrollment and observation are other recommended options for patients with recurrent LGSC.

In response to the availability of novel treatment options for recurrent LGSC, the NCCN panel has developed a new algorithm page with recommendations for management of these patients (see LCOC-7, page 975).

Tumor Molecular Analysis in Ovarian Cancer

Upon pathologic confirmation of ovarian cancer, fallopian tube cancer, or primary peritoneal cancer, patients should be referred for a genetic risk evaluation and germline and somatic testing (if not previously done). This recommendation for germline and somatic testing is intentionally broad so that the genetic counselor and treating oncologist have the latitude to order whichever molecular tests they consider necessary based on evaluation of the individual patient and their cancer family history. Because germline and/or somatic *BRCA1/2* testing informs selection of maintenance therapy for patients with stage II–IV disease experiencing complete or partial response after first-line platinum-based chemotherapy, NCCN panel members agree that it is important to establish *BRCA1/2* mutation status for patients who may be eligible for maintenance therapy following completion of platinum-based first-line chemotherapy. Homologous recombination status (eg, homologous recombination–deficient vs homologous recombination–proficient) may provide information on the magnitude of benefit of PARP inhibitor maintenance therapy for those without a *BRCA1/2* mutation. For additional recommendations on workup, staging, and primary treatment of ovarian cancer, fallopian tube cancer, and primary peritoneal cancer, refer to page OV-1 in the full version of these guidelines (available at NCCN.org).

With the availability of next-generation sequencing technology, the panel discussed whether comprehensive tumor molecular analysis should be recommended for all patients. Some panel members stated that comprehensive tumor testing may not be necessary for certain patients in the up-front setting, specifically those with a germline mutation in *BRCA1/2* or other homologous recombination/DNA repair pathway genes. On the other hand, some patients (such as those who lack a *BRCA1/2* mutation or experience disease recurrence) may benefit from a more thorough tumor molecular analysis to inform additional targeted therapy options. The panel agreed

that tumor testing may be beneficial at multiple points throughout the evolution of the disease.

Therefore, the current guidelines now recommend tumor molecular analysis both in the up-front setting and upon recurrence (OV-B 1 of 3, page 976). The goal of tumor testing in the up-front setting is to optimize identification of molecular alterations that can inform the use of interventions with demonstrated benefit in this setting, such as PARP inhibitors. Molecular alterations that should be probed for in this setting include *BRCA1/2* status, loss of heterozygosity, or homologous recombination status, in the absence of a germline *BRCA* mutation.

Other tumor tissue molecular markers may inform selection of treatment for persistent or recurrent disease, but testing for these is not needed until the disease has proven to be refractory or at time of relapse. The panel recommends that tumor molecular analysis in the recurrence setting should include, at a minimum, tests to identify potential benefit from targeted therapeutics that have tumor-specific or tumor-agnostic benefit. These include (but are not limited to): *BRCA1/2*, hormone receptor status, microsatellite instability, mismatch repair, tumor mutational burden, *BRAF*, and *NTRK*, if prior testing did not include these markers. The panel emphasizes that more comprehensive tumor analysis may be particularly important for less common histologies with limited approved treatment options. Prior to selection of systemic therapy for refractory or recurrent disease, validated tumor molecular testing should be performed in a CLIA-approved facility using the most recent available tumor tissue.

Summary

The NCCN panel recommends carboplatin combination regimens as first-line chemotherapy treatment options for elderly patients and/or those with comorbidities; single-agent carboplatin is no longer recommended for this patient population based on data from the EWOC-1 study. In addition, the guidelines now include updated recommendations for the management of recurrent LGSC, due to emerging data on novel therapeutics. Finally, recommendations for tumor molecular analysis in patients with ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancers have been revised to clarify that tumor testing in the up-front and recurrence settings is recommended for select biomarkers.



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