

Panitumumab plus mFOLFOX6 versus Bevacizumab plus mFOLFOX6 as first-line treatment in patients with *RAS* wild-type metastatic colorectal cancer: results from the phase 3 PARADIGM trial

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Introduction

- Adding an anti-EGFR or anti-VEGF antibody to chemotherapy improves overall survival (OS) of patients with unresectable metastatic colorectal cancer (mCRC) up to 30 months.^{1,2}
- In comparative trials, post-hoc analyses of RAS wild-type (WT) patients show inconclusive results:
 - US CALGB/SWOG 80405: OS was similar for cetuximab and bevacizumab (HR, 0.88; 95% CI, 0.72-1.08)¹
 - EU FIRE-3: Cetuximab improved OS vs. bevacizumab (HR, 0.70; 95% CI, 0.54-0.90)³
- The benefit of an anti-EGFR antibody may be enriched in RAS WT patients with primary tumor originating in the left side of the colon and rectum.⁴
- PARADIGM is the first prospective trial to test the superiority of panitumumab vs. bevacizumab plus standard chemotherapy for patients with *RAS* WT and left-sided mCRC.^{5,6}

EGFR, epidermal growth factor receptor; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor; OS, overall survival; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; WT, wild type, HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

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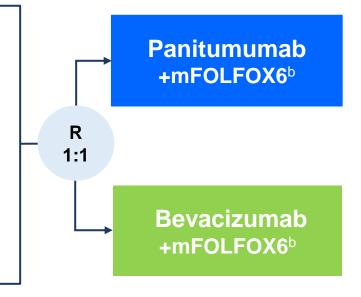
PARADIGM Trial Design

Phase 3, randomized, open-label, multicenter study (NCT02394795)

Patients with RAS WT mCRC

- Unresectable disease
- No previous chemotherapy^a
- Age: 20–79 years
- ECOG performance status 0–1
- At least 1 evaluable lesion
- Adequate organ function
- Life expectancy ≥ 3 months

N=823



Primary endpoint

 OS: left-sided^c population; if significant, analyzed in overall population

Secondary endpoints

- PFS, RR, DOR, R0 resection: left-sided^c and overall populations
- Safety: all treated patients

Exploratory endpoints

 ETS, depth of response, DCR: left-sided^c and overall populations

Stratification factors

- Institution
- Age: 20–64 vs 65–79 years
- Liver metastases: present vs absent

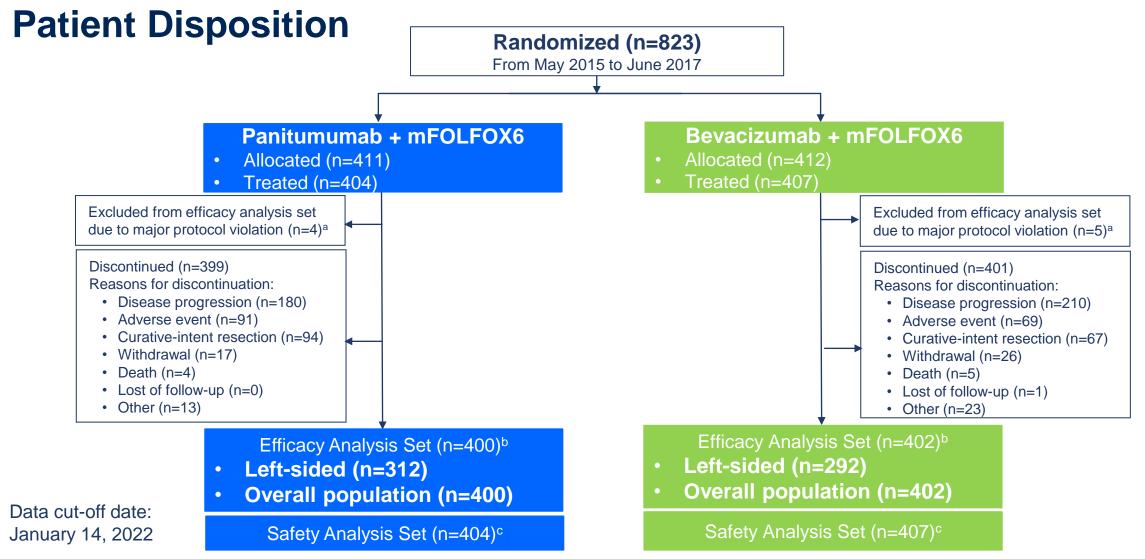
DCR, disease control rate; DOR; duration of response; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; ETS, early tumor shrinkage; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression free survival; RR, response rate; R0, curative resection; WT, wild type.

^aAdjuvant fluoropyrimidine monotherapy allowed if completed > 6 months before enrollment. ^bUntil disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, withdrawal of consent or investigator's judgement or curative intent resection. ^cPrimary tumor in descending colon, sigmoid colon, rectosigmoid, and rectum.









Median follow-up time: 61 months

^aPanitumumab arm (2 patients [pts] with Stage 3 and 2 pts with previous chemotherapy), Bevacizumab arm (3 pts with Stage 3, one pt with previous chemotherapy and one pt with prostate cancer with rectal invasion). bRandomized pts who received at least one dose of study treatment and satisfied the eligibility criteria. CRandomized pts who received at least one dose of study treatment.





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Statistical Considerations

Final Analysis (protocol version 3¹, July 2020):

- OS as primary endpoint was hierarchically tested in the following order
- All data reported are based on a data base lock of February 10, 2022^a

Primary endpoint-1
OS in <u>left-sided</u> population *P*^b<0.04202

OS in overall population will only be tested if OS in left-sided population is significant

OS in <u>overall</u> population

P^b<0.05

- Targeted number of events: 420 events (deaths) in left-sided population
- 80% power to detect HR = 0.74; two-sided significance level of 0.04202 determined on the alpha spending function approach after one interim analysis

^aData cut-off date: January 14, 2022. ^bLog-rank test stratified by age (20–64 vs. 65–79 years) and liver metastases (present vs. absent).²

Revision History of Statistical analysis Plan

- The initial protocol (version 1, March 2015) had OS as primary endpoint and total sample size of 800 to detect OS HR of 0.76, with 80% power at two-sided significance level of 0.05.2
- Protocol revision (version 2, May 2019) changed primary analysis to detect significant difference in OS in overall and left-sided populations, with a two-side type 1 error of 0.025 for each population.³
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Baseline Patient Characteristics

| | Left-sided | Population | Overall Population | | |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Characteristic | Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=312) | Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=292) | Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=400) | Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=402) | |
| Age category, n (%) | | | | | |
| 20–64 years | 138 (44.2) | 127 (43.5) | 164 (41.0) | 168 (41.8) | |
| 65–79 years | 174 (55.8) | 165 (56.5) | 236 (59.0) | 234 (58.2) | |
| Sex, female, n (%) | 104 (33.3) | 91 (31.2) | 148 (37.0) | 134 (33.3) | |
| ECOG performance status, n (%) | | | | | |
| 0 | 261 (83.7) | 231 (79.1) | 328 (82.0) | 319 (79.4) | |
| 1 | 51 (16.3) | 61 (20.9) | 71 (17.8) | 83 (20.6) | |
| Primary tumor location, n (%) ^a | | | | | |
| Left-sided | 312 (100.0) | 292 (100.0) | 312 (78.0) | 292 (72.6) | |
| Right-sided | 0 | 0 | 84 (21.0) | 103 (25.6) | |
| Number of metastatic organs, n (%) | | | | | |
| 1 | 155 (49.7) | 147 (50.3) | 196 (49.0) | 194 (48.3) | |
| ≥2 | 157 (50.3) | 145 (49.7) | 204 (51.0) | 208 (51.7) | |
| Metastatic site, n (%) | | | | | |
| Liver | 225 (72.1) | 206 (70.5) | 275 (68.8) | 278 (69.2) | |
| Liver as only site of metastasis | 90 (28.8) | 89 (30.5) | 105 (26.3) | 113 (28.1) | |
| Prior treatment, n (%) | | | | | |
| Primary tumor resection | 185 (59.3) | 193 (66.1) | 239 (59.8) | 272 (67.7) | |
| Radiotherapy | 2 (0.6) | 2 (0.7) | 2 (0.5) | 3 (0.7) | |
| Adjuvant chemotherapy ^b | 17 (5.4) | 16 (5.5) | 22 (5.5) | 20 (5.0) | |

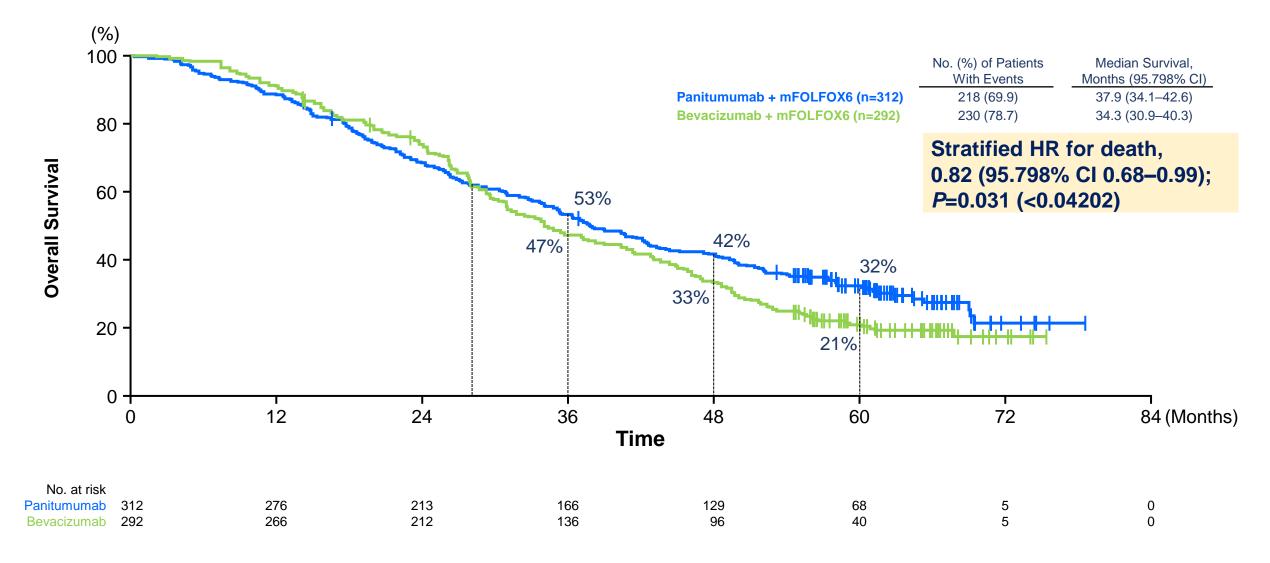
^a 4 patients receiving panitumumab and 7 patients receiving bevacizumab had multiple primary lesions in both the left-sided and right-sided. ^b Adjuvant fluoropyrimidine monotherapy allowed if completed > 6 months before enrollment.







Primary Endpoint-1; Overall Survival in Left-sided Population

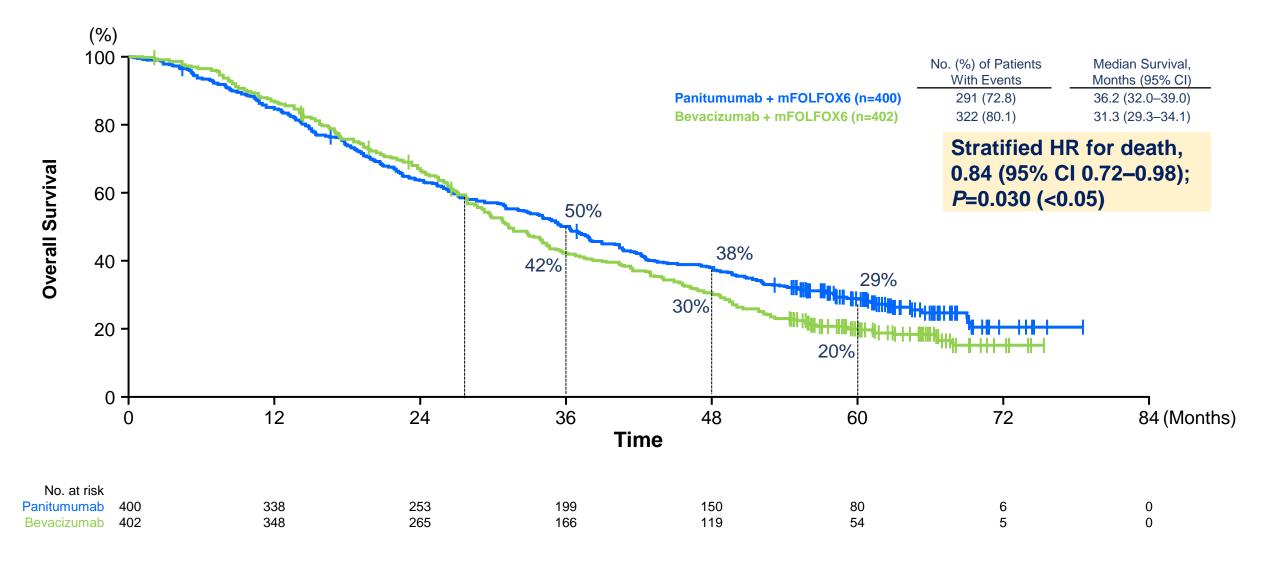








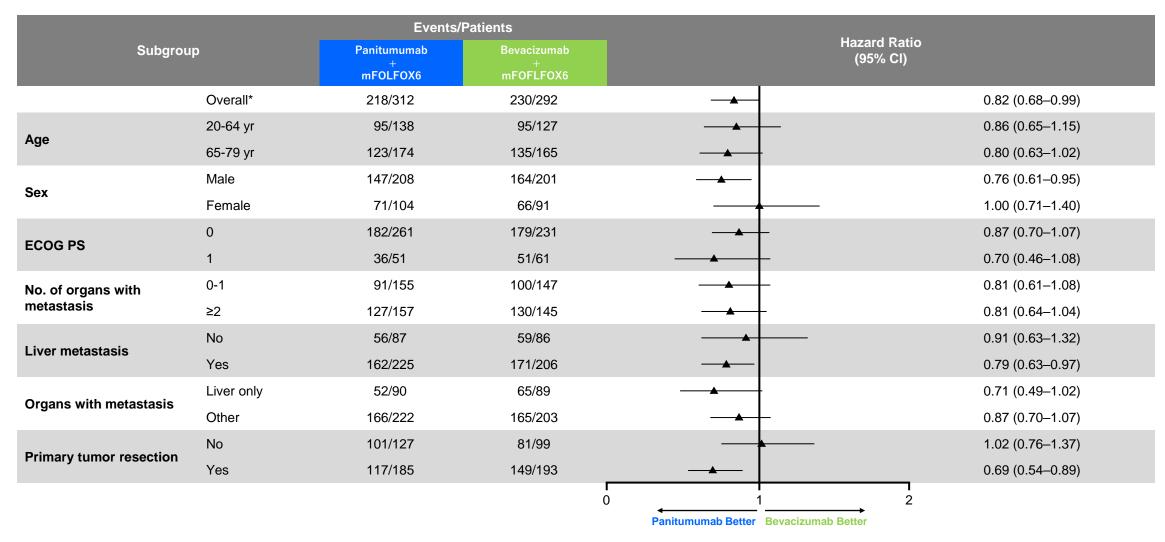
Primary Endpoint-2; Overall Survival in Overall Population







Subgroup Analyses of Overall Survival in Left-sided Population



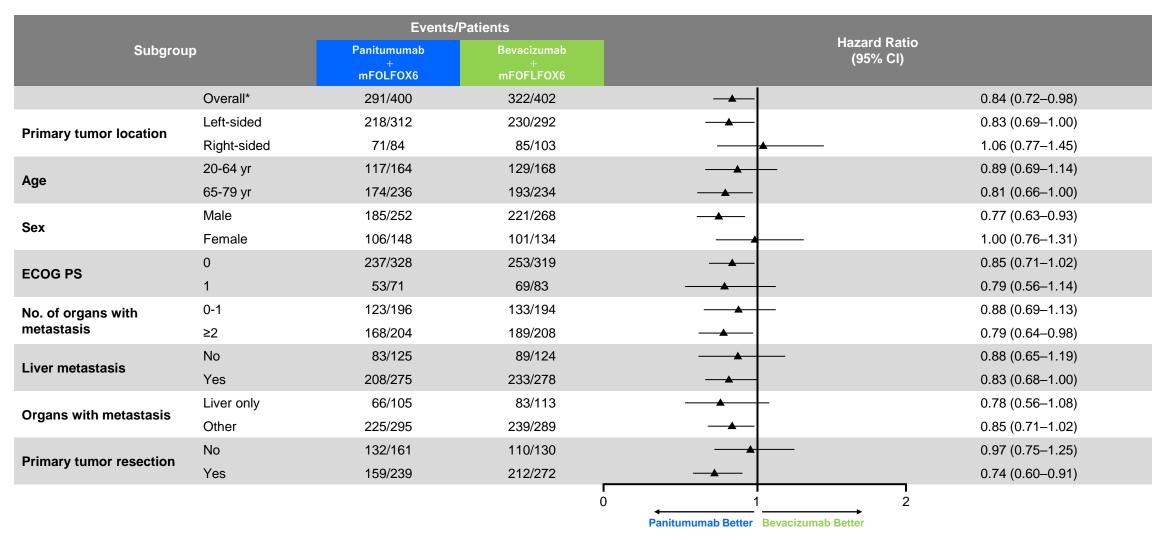
^{*}Stratified Hazard Ratio is shown with 95.798% CI.







Subgroup Analyses of Overall Survival in Overall Population

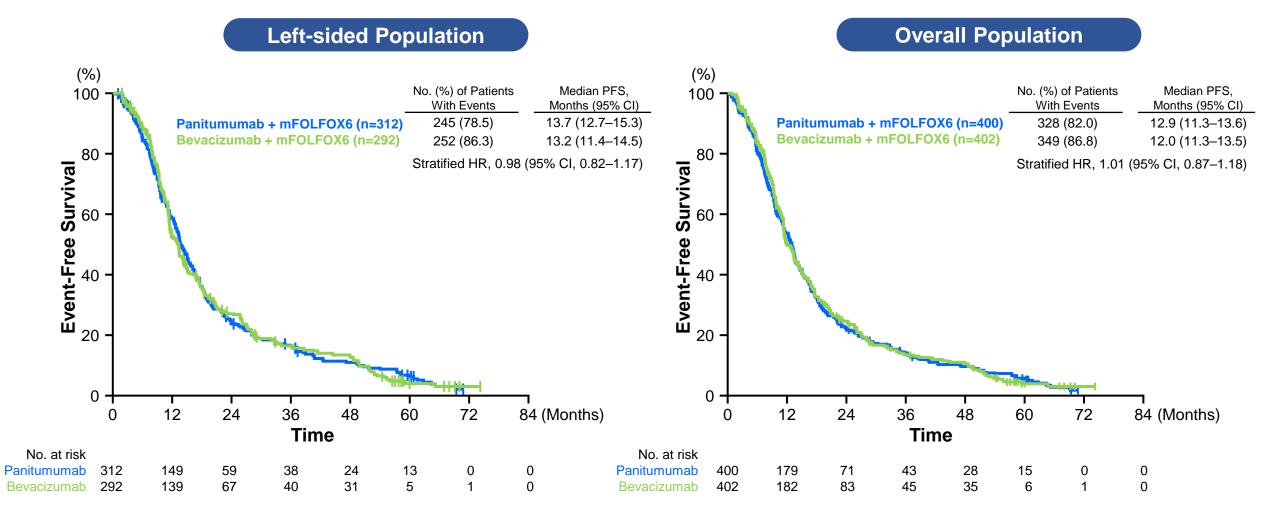


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Progression-free Survivala



^aPatients who underwent curative-intent resection were censored at the last tumor evaluable assessment date before the resection.





Other Efficacy Outcomes

| | Left-sided | Population | Overall Population | | |
|--|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| Parameter | Panitumumab + | Bevacizumab + | Panitumumab + | Bevacizumab + | |
| | mFOLFOX6 (n=308) | mFOLFOX6 (n=287) | mFOLFOX6 (n=394) | mFOLFOX6 (n=397) | |
| Response rate, % (95% CI) | 80.2 | 68.6 | 74.9 | 67.3 | |
| | (75.3–84.5) | (62.9–74.0) | (70.3–79.1) | (62.4–71.9) | |
| Difference, % (95% CI) | 11.2 (4.4–17.9) | | 7.7 (1.5–13.8) | | |
| DCR, % (95% CI) | 97.4 96.5 | | 94.9 | 95.5 | |
| | (94.9–98.9) (93.7–98.3) | | (92.3–96.9) | (92.9–97.3) | |
| Median DOR, ^a months (95% CI) | 13.1 | 11.2 | 11.9 | 10.7 | |
| | (11.1–14.8) | (9.6–13.1) | (10.5–13.4) | (9.5–12.2) | |
| R0 rate, ^b | 18.3 | 11.6 | 16.5 | 10.9 | |
| % (95% CI) | (14.1–23.0) | (8.2–15.9] | (13.0–20.5) | (8.1–17.1) | |

RR, response rate; DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; R0, curative resection.

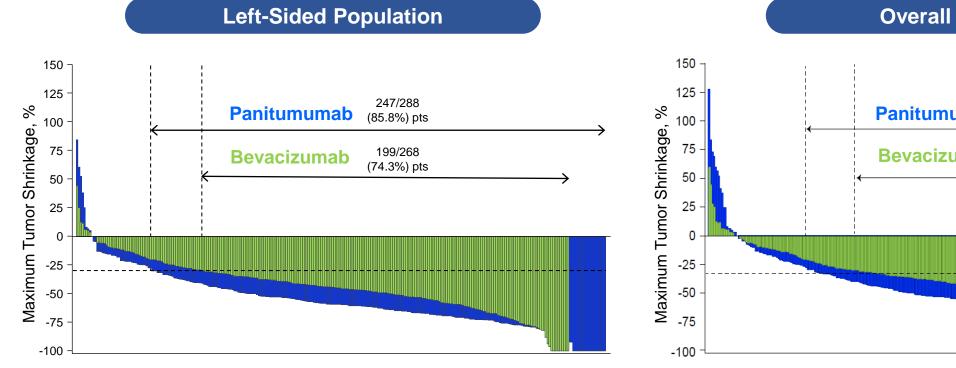
^b R0 rate was evaluated in all the patients of efficacy analysis population (left-sided: n=312 for panitumumab and n=292 for bevacizumab; overall: n=400 and 402, respectively).

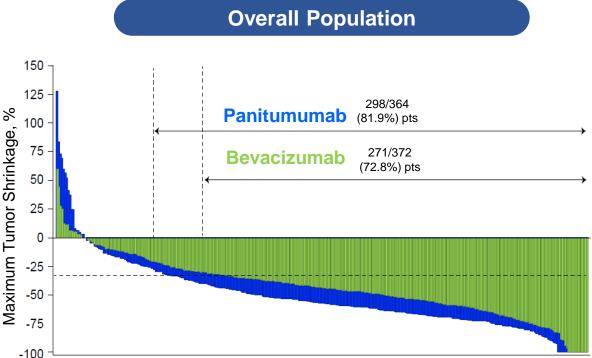




^a DOR was evaluated in patients with complete or partial response.

Other Efficacy Outcome: Depth of Response





Horizontal dotted line at 30% indicates response per RECIST v1.1.

| | Left-sided Population | | Overall Population | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| | Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=288) | Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=268) | Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=364) | Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=372) | |
| Median, % | -59.4 | -43.6 | -57.3 | -43.6 | |

Depth of response was assessed in patients with measurable lesions at baseline.





Summary of Adverse Events

| Adverse Event, n (%) | Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=404) | Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6 (n=407) |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Any adverse event | 402 (99.5) | 399 (98.0) |
| Grade ≥3 adverse events | 290 (71.8) | 264 (64.9) |
| Serious adverse events related to study treatment | 72 (17.8) | 44 (10.8) |
| Adverse events leading to discontinuation of study treatment | 96 (23.8) | 75 (18.4) |

No new safety signals were observed.

Treatment-related deaths:

Panitumumab (n=10), 4 with interstitial lung disease and 1 patient each with lung disorder, pneumonia, pneumonia, pneumonia and pancytopenia, sepsis and peritonitis, and cerebral hemorrhage

Bevacizumab (n=2), 1 with respiratory failure and 1 was not specified

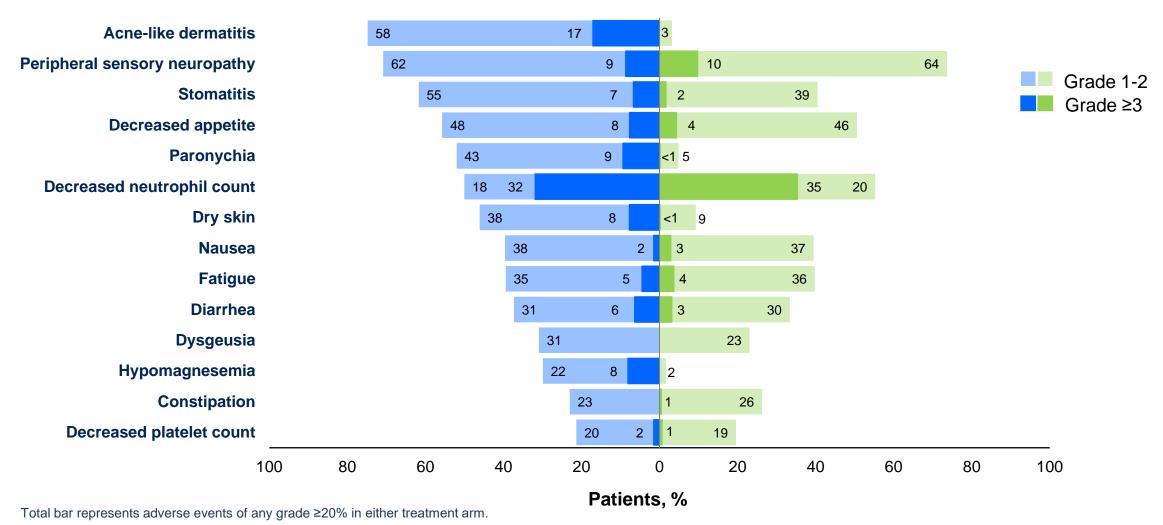






Adverse Events Reported in ≥ 20% of Patients









Subsequent Systemic Treatment

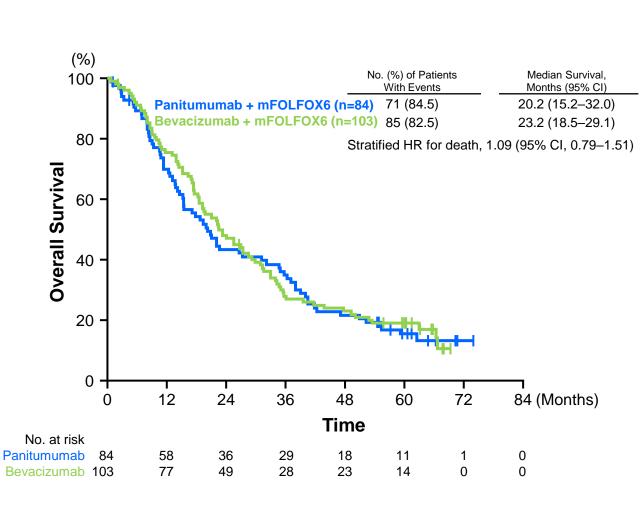
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| Patients receiving subsequent line of | therapy, n (%) | | | | |
| Second-line therapy | 253 (81.1) | 241 (82.5) | 321 (80.3) | 329 (81.8) | |
| Third-line therapy | 195 (62.5) | 190 (65.1) | 242 (60.5) | 261 (64.9) | |
| Fourth-line therapy | 130 (41.7) | 139 (47.6) | 160 (40.0) | 185 (46.0) | |
| Post-study treatment during any lines | of therapy | | | | |
| Cytotoxic Agents | | | | | |
| Fluoropyrimidine | 232 (74.4) | 222 (76.0) | 293 (73.3) | 300 (74.6) | |
| Irinotecan | 191 (61.2) | 190 (65.1) | 245 (61.3) | 258 (64.2) | |
| Oxaliplatin | 81 (26.0) | 60 (20.5) | 99 (24.8) | 77 (19.2) | |
| VEGF inhibitor | 168 (53.8) | 166 (56.8) | 224 (56.0) | 227 (56.5) | |
| Bevacizumab | 139 (44.6) | 148 (50.7) | 185 (46.3) | 192 (47.8) | |
| Ramucirumab | 32 (10.3) | 26 (8.9) | 44 (11.0) | 46 (11.4) | |
| Aflibercept | 20 (6.4) | 13 (4.5) | 25 (6.3) | 26 (6.5) | |
| EGFR inhibitor | 97 (31.1) | 160 (54.8) | 123 (30.8) | 222 (55.2) | |
| Panitumumab | 82 (26.3) | 134 (45.9) | 101 (25.3) | 183 (45.5) | |
| Cetuximab | 17 (5.4) | 36 (12.3) | 24 (6.0) | 49 (12.2) | |
| Trifluridine/tipiracil hydrochloride | 69 (22.1) | 77 (26.4) | 90 (22.5) | 95 (23.6) | |
| Regorafenib | 25 (8.0) | 33 (11.3) | 37 (9.3) | 44 (10.9) | |

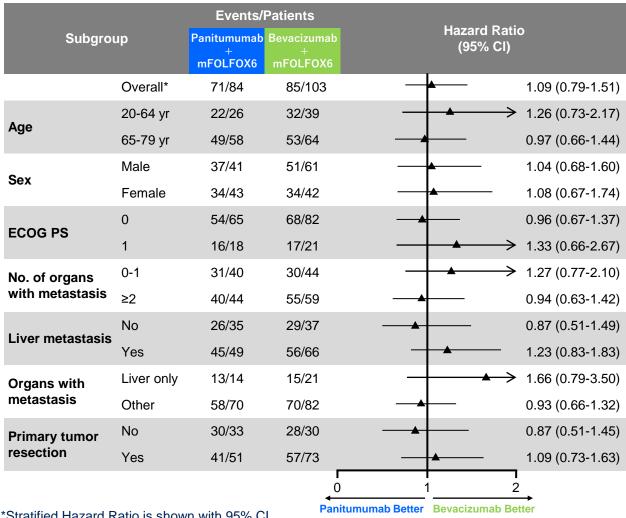
Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 therapies, ipilimumab, and BRAF/MEK inhibitors were used in a few patients.





OS and Subgroup Analysis in Right-sided Population













Conclusions

- The phase 3 PARADIGM trial met the primary endpoint, demonstrating the superiority of first-line panitumumab versus bevacizumab in combination with mFOLFOX6 in the left-sided and overall mCRC populations.
 - Left-sided: mOS 37.9 vs. 34.3 months, HR = 0.82 (95.798% CI: 0.68–0.99), P=0.031
 - Overall: mOS 36.2 vs. 31.3 months, HR = 0.84 (95% CI: 0.72–0.98), *P*=0.030
 - mOS exceeded 36 months in panitumumab patients, while those in bevacizumab were consistent with previous reports
 - (Exploratory) Right-sided: mOS 20.2 vs. 23.2 months, HR=1.09 (95% CI: 0.79–1.51)
- Although PFS was comparable between two arms, RR and R0 resection rates were higher with panitumumab in the left-sided and overall populations versus bevacizumab.
 - Left-sided: mPFS 13.7 vs. 13.2, RR 80.2 vs. 68.6%, R0 resection rates 18.3 vs. 11.6%
 - Overall: mPFS 12.9 vs. 12.0, RR 74.9 vs. 67.3%, R0 resection rates 16.5 vs. 10.9%
- No new safety signals were observed; both treatments had manageable safety profiles.
- These results support panitumumab + mFOLFOX6 as a first-line therapy for patients with RAS WT and left-sided mCRC.

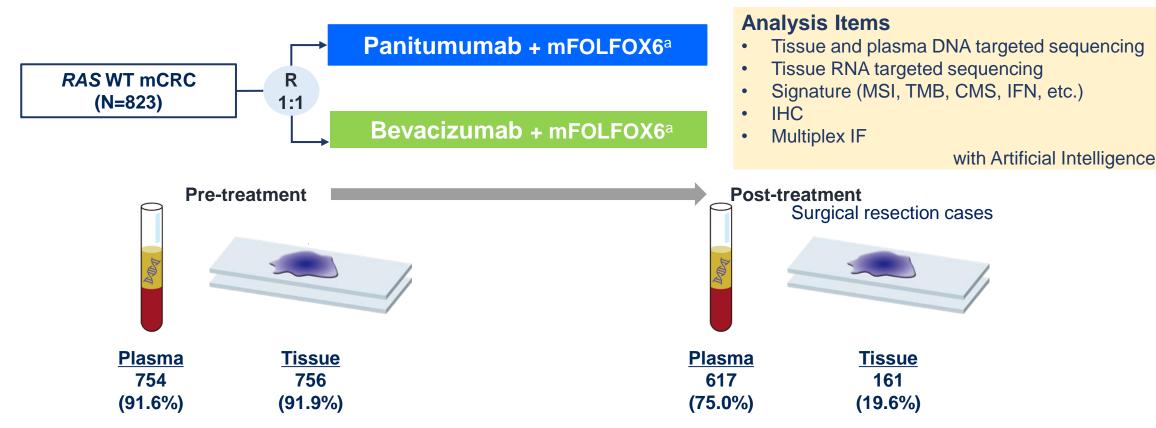






Future Directions: Biomarker Multi-omics Analysis

- A large-scale biomarker analysis is currently underway using plasma and tumor tissue samples collected pre- and post-treatments (NCT02394834).
- Potential biomarkers on outcomes will be reported in upcoming meetings.



CMS, consensus molecular subtypes; IF, immunofluorescence; IFN, interferon gene signature; IHC, immunohistochemistry; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; MSI, Microsatellite instability; TMB, tumor mutational burden; WT, wild type. ^aUntil disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, withdrawal of consent or investigator's judgement or curative intent resection.







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