



Unique Toxicities with PARP Inhibitors...and What to do

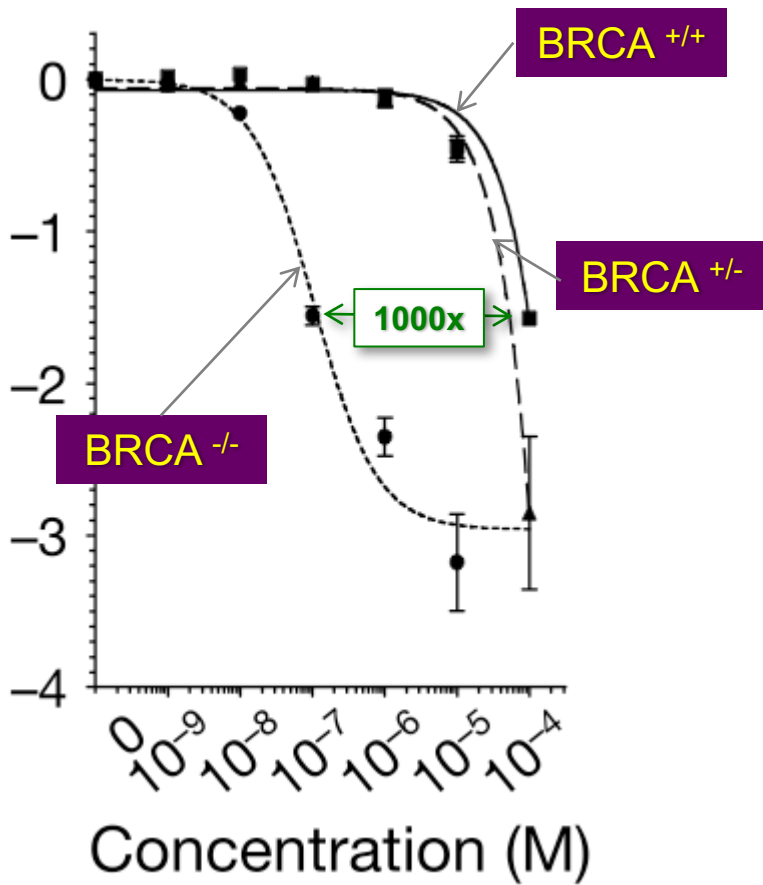
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PARPi and “Synthetic Lethality”



Specific killing of BRCA2-deficient tumours with inhibitors of poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase

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Poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase
binding to the site of damage

Targeting the DNA repair defect in BRCA mutant cells as a therapeutic strategy

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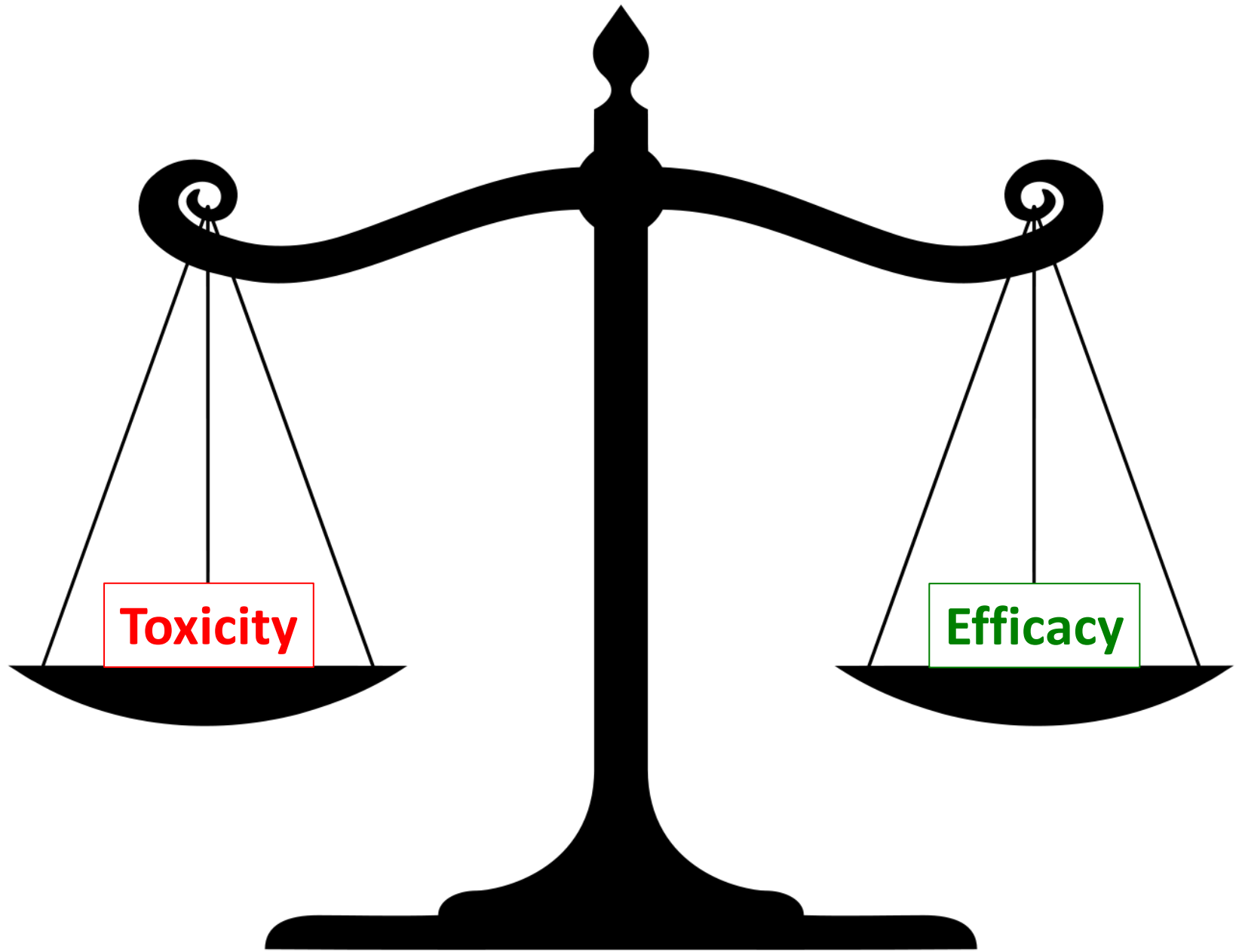
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Toxicity

Efficacy

Take Home Point

- PARP inhibitors, despite being “just a pill”, have adverse events and toxicities that require attention to optimize treatment exposure
- Fortunately, most toxicities are manageable
- Monitoring should be at least once a month during the first few cycles of therapy
- Dose reductions and delay should be utilized to ensure compliance

Hematologic Toxicity

Toxicity	Grade	Olaparib ¹	Rucaparib ²	Niraparib ³
Anemia (%)	All Grades	90	67	50
	Grade 3 and 4	15	23	25
Thrombocytopenia (%)	All	30	39	61
	Grades 3 and 4	3	6	34
Neutropenia (%)	All	25	35	30
	Grades 3 and 4	7	10	20

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Gastrointestinal Toxicity

Toxicity	Grade	Olaparib ¹	Rucaparib ²	Niraparib ³
Nausea (%)	All Grades	64	77	74
	Grade 3 and 4	3	5	3
Constipation (%)	All	21 ⁵	40	40
	Grades 3 and 4	0	2	0.5
Vomiting (%)	All	43	46	34
	Grades 3 and 4	4	4	2
Decreased appetite (%)	All	22	39	25
	Grades 3 and 4	1	3	0.3
Abdominal pain (%)	All	43	32	23
	Grades 3 and 4	8	3	1
Diarrhea (%)	All	31	34	19
	Grades 3 and 4	1	2	0.3
Dyspepsia (%)	All	25	9 ⁴	11
	Grades 3 and 4	0	<1%	0

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GI Toxicity Management

- Early response to symptoms
 - Agent timing, empty stomach
- Supportive care measures
 - Anti-emetics – be aggressive here (pre-empt the AE)
 - Bowel regimens
 - Anti-diarrheals
 - Appetite stimulants

Generalized Toxicity

Toxicities	Grade	Olaparib ¹	Rucaparib ²	Niraparib ³
Fatigue (%)	All Grades	66	77	59
	Grade 3 and 4	8	11	8
Insomnia (%)	All	NR	12	24
	Grades 3 and 4	NR	0	0.3
Headaches (%)	All Grades	25 ⁵	17 ⁴	26
	Grades 3 and 4	0	0 ⁴	0.3

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Additional Toxicities That Differ Between Agents

Toxicities	Grade	Olaparib ¹	Rucaparib ²	Niraparib ³
Increased Creatinine (%)	All	30	92	-
	Grades 3 and 4	2	1	-
Elevated ALT (%)	All	-	74	-
	Grades 3 and 4	-	13	-
Elevated AST (%)	All	-	73	-
	Grades 3 and 4	-	5	-
Hypertension (%)	All	-	-	19
	Grades 3 and 4	-	-	8
Dyspnea (%)	All	-	21	19
	Grades 3 and 4	-	0.5	1

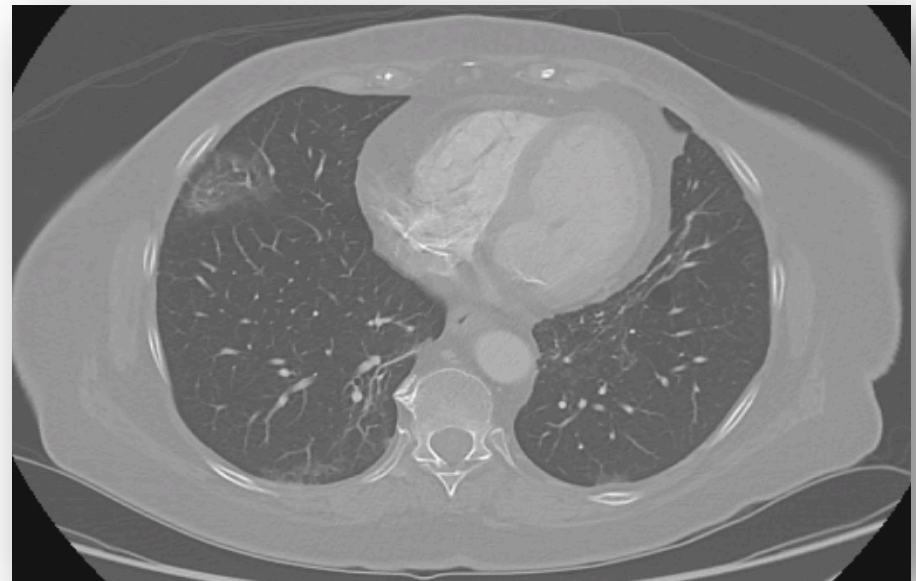
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Elevation in Creatinine

- Related to effect of PARP inhibitor on renal transporter proteins MATE1 and MATE2-K
 - Increase in creatinine without corresponding kidney dysfunction
- Utilize nuclear medicine testing to determine the true GFR
 - Avoid dose reduction or drug interruption if the GFR is appropriate

Other AE's of Interest

- Pneumonitis
Olaparib: <1%
- AML/MDS
Olaparib 0.8% (22/2618)¹
Rucaparib 0.5% (2/377)²
Niraparib 1.4% (5/367)³
- Increase in cholesterol
Rucaparib²: 40%/2%
- Rash/photosensitivity reaction
Rucaparib: 15%/10%
Olaparib: 25%/0%



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General Toxicity Management

- G1:
 - Monitor
- G2:
 - Monitor
 - Thrombocytopenia – hold agent, dose reduction
- G3/4:
 - Hold agent
 - Dose reduction
 - Consider transfusion, growth factors

PARP Inhibitor Toxicity

- Typically, easily managed with supportive care and dose reduction
- Patients should be monitored closely during the first cycles of therapy
 - Off protocol, I frequently ramp up dose after 2 weeks (start at dose level -1)
- It is important to manage expectations of patients and caregivers to alleviate key symptoms so that therapy can continue uninterrupted