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Cabozantinib for previously treated advanced renal cell carcinoma [ID931]

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- 2. <u>Comments on the Appraisal Consultation Document from expert:</u>
 - Professor Robert Hawkins, Professor of Medical Oncology Clinical expert, nominated by Ipsen
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We appreciate the opportunity to respond to the Appraisal Consultation Document (ACD) for the above appraisal and to submit additional evidence to address the uncertainties and questions raised by the Appraisal Committee. We believe this additional evidence will reassure the Committee that cabozantinib is cost effective and should be recommended for use following the second Appraisal Committee meeting. In summary, we have:

- Simplified the Network Meta-Analysis (NMA)
- Incorporated the Committee's preferred assumptions and implemented these throughout our analyses
- Investigated different methods to estimate overall survival (OS)
- Reviewed our results in light of evidence on the natural course of the disease
- Provided additional evidence on OS from the METEOR trial
- Applied a revised patient access scheme (PAS)

Further details are provided below and in Sections 1 and 2. Details of factual inaccuracies and typographical errors are provided in Section 3.

Executive summary

The ACD states that the Committee's preferred analyses would exclude best supportive care (BSC), incorporate better fitting survival curves, assume axitinib and everolimus were equally effective, and remove subsequent treatments not available in England. The preferred analyses would also include updated costs (including nivolumab wastage and excluding GP costs) and utilities (age-adjusted and revised decrements for adverse events [AEs]). In presenting the revised results, the Committee also preferred an incremental cost effectiveness analysis, probabilistic cost effectiveness estimates, exploration of better survival for nivolumab and a breakdown of the survival benefits of cabozantinib before and after progression.

In the original Ipsen submission, the lognormal parametric function fitted the METEOR trial data the best and, therefore, was used in the base case analyses. As suggested by the Committee, we have explored more flexible survival functions proposed by Jansen¹. We found that at least one of the fractional polynomial functions fit the trial data better. We revised the NMA assuming that axitinib and everolimus are of equal effectiveness, which allowed us to use a simpler evidence network. Using this new approach resulted in lower overall average survival with each months with cabozantinib; with nivolumab; with treatment: to axitinib; and for everolimus. Average progression-free survival (PFS) also reduced to months for cabozantinib and for both axitinib and everolimus. The PFS results for nivolumab were higher than expected and exceeded overall survival at an average of months and a median of . Given the clinical implausibility of this outcome, we conducted a scenario analysis using the lognormal model for PFS and this produced an average PFS of months for nivolumab (median of months). As requested by the Committee, we also undertook a scenario analysis applying the general population mortality rate to 50 per cent of nivolumab patients. This increased average survival with nivolumab to months. Overall, the better fitting survival curve showed that cabozantinib provides an additional OS benefit of greater than three months compared with axitinib and everolimus, and approximately two or more months compared with nivolumab.

Compared with our original approach, the statistical fit to trial data of at least one of the more flexible survival functions was improved. However, the Committee also requested that modeled survival be considered in light of evidence on the natural course of the disease. We found that, beyond the trial period, this new approach predicts that only 4.9% of patients treated with

everolimus would still be alive at five years. This is inconsistent with a recently published study by Ruiz-Morales (2016) showing that approximately 10% of second-line RCC patients treated were still alive at five years. This cohort of over 3,000 patients previously treated with either pazopanib or sunitinib, were similar to the METEOR trial population and approximately 50 to 70 % received either everolimus or axitinib as second line therapy. Similarly, clinical experts consulted during the NICE appraisal of nivolumab predicted that 10 to 12 % of second line RCC patients would be alive after five years (section 4.14 of the nivolumab Final Appraisal Determination). As such, we explored an alternative approach to modelling survival using the better-fitting fractional polynomial curves for the trial period and the lognormal curves beyond the end of the trial. Visually, this improved the fit with the Ruiz-Morales Kaplan-Meier curve for second-line RCC patients, whilst retaining the better fitting curves for the trial period. This approach increased average survival to months with cabozantinib, months with axitinib/everolimus.

Overall, the different extrapolation methods produce average survival estimates ranging from to months for cabozantinib, to months for nivolumab and to months for axitinib/everolimus. The fractional polynomial approach appears not to be consistent with evidence on the natural course of RCC, producing low estimates of survival, whereas other methods have been explored producing higher estimates. The most clinically plausible estimates may lie somewhere in between these two extremes and so all approaches were included in the economic modelling to assess the impact on cost effectiveness.

We incorporated the revised survival curves into the model and updated the costs and utility estimates. We excluded GP costs pre-progression and included nivolumab wastage in our analysis. We assumed that the patients in the model receiving sorafenib as subsequent treatment would receive axitinib instead, with the associated costs and effectiveness. Utilities were age-adjusted as preferred by the Committee, and a scenario analysis undertaken using the largest utility decrement for adverse events found using a systematic literature review conducted for the original submission (not included in main analysis as little impact on the cost per QALY). In addition to these model revisions, we have agreed with the Department of Health a revised PAS with a discount on the list price for cabozantinib.

Compared with axitinib and everolimus at current list prices, the cost per QALY based on the fractional polynomial curves were **and and method** respectively without the revised PAS for cabozantinib. We also calculated the cost per QALYs assuming a hypothetical range of discounts as a proxy for the confidential discounts available for axitinib and everolimus, ranging between **and and %**. The with-PAS cost per QALYs for cabozantinib versus axitinib vary between £35,010 and £50,842, and for everolimus between £59,600 and £68,542. Using the fractional polynomial function for the trial period and the lognormal function beyond the trial, the with-PAS cost per QALYs for cabozantinib range from £25,759 to £39,516, when comparator prices are between **and method**% lower. Compared with everolimus, the cost per QALYs vary by discount level from £49,072 to £56,278 respectively. Compared with nivolumab, cabozantinib (with PAS) is cheaper and more effective (dominant) in the majority of scenarios, varying different survival functions, applying general population mortality to nivolumab patients and when the list price for nivolumab was reduced by **m** to **m**%

Finally, and importantly, an updated survival analysis of the METEOR trial became available during the ACD consultation period and we provide this more mature data to address the concerns of the Committee regarding the uncertainty of the survival estimates for cabozantinib. The updated METEOR trial data cut at 2nd October 2016 is based on an additional nine months of follow-up and an additional events. These results show that at months per cent of cabozantinib patients are still alive, compared with per cent on everolimus. Also of note is that the Kaplan-Meier curves based on this latest data-cut continue to separate rather than converge. We incorporated these data into the economic model as a scenario analysis. With the revised PAS, cabozantinib remained dominant over nivolumab in all scenarios. Compared with axitinib and everolimus, with the updated survival data the with-PAS cost per QALYs increased and ranged from £30,954 to £62,419 and £59,650 to £74,440 respectively, depending on the survival function and comparator list price discount.

Cabozantinib meets the end of life criteria in its comparison with axitinib and everolimus. Of these two comparators, everolimus is most likely to be used later in the RCC treatment pathway, as suggested by the clinical experts at the Committee meeting for this appraisal (see 4.2 of the ACD) and has only recently been approved by NICE (February 2017). Cabozantinib is a cost-effective use of NHS resources with most cost per QALYs versus axitinib and including

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the revised PAS, at or below £50,000. Compared with nivolumab, cabozantinib is dominant and this finding remains consistent regardless of the approach used to estimate survival.

1. Revised Indirect Treatment Comparison (ITC) / Network meta-analysis (NMA)

Background to revised ITC

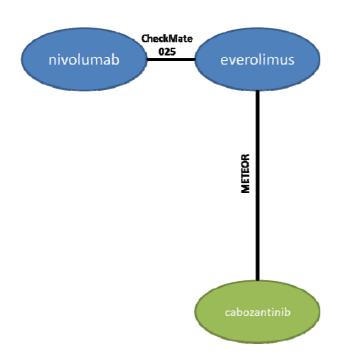
In the original company submission a NMA comparison of parametric survival curves described by Ouwens et al. (2010)² was used to compare cabozantinib with axitinib, nivolumab and BSC. METEOR study was used to inform cabozantinib versus everolimus comparison.

The ERG considered the results of the network meta-analysis to be unreliable due to differences in the trials in the evidence network and due to the distributions not fitting well enough to the original Kaplan-Meier (KM) data. Instead of the parametric survival curve NMA, the ERG estimated the relative effect of axitinib by assuming that it is as effective as everolimus. Despite this different method, the ERG's NMA results were largely similar to the original submission results. The Committee preferred the ERG's approach because it simplified the evidence network and reduced the potential bias associated with using TARGET in the network, but the Committee remained concerned about the methodology underpinning the network meta-analysis and the fits to the original KM data.

As a response to these concerns, we have revised the analyses informing the economic model:

- We assumed that <u>axitinib is equivalent to everolimus</u> in terms of OS and PFS. We have used this assumption for both endpoints, not only for OS, to avoid the network relying on the TARGET study. Figure 1 displays the new evidence network.
- For the cabozantinib versus nivolumab comparison we have used an alternative ITC <u>method described by Jansen 2011¹</u>. The statistical fit to KM data in METEOR and CheckMate025 studies, as well as to real-world data, are examined and discussed.

Figure 1: New pair-wise ITC evidence network



ITC Methods

Based on the results of the proportional hazard (PH) test (see original submission section 4.10.3 for more details), instead of using a fixed HR-based ITC (such as the Bucher method) to compare the efficacy of cabozantinib and nivolumab, we have used an alternative method described by Jansen (2011)¹. As an extension to the method laid out by Ouwens et al (2010)², Jansen proposed a NMA model using parametric survival functions which includes not only common survival distributions such as Weibull or Gompertz but more flexible fractional polynomials.

The first order fractional polynomial is written as:

$$\log(h_{jkt}) = \beta_{0jk} + \beta_{1jk}t^{P}, \text{ with } t^{0} = \log(t)$$

$$\binom{\beta_{0jk}}{\beta_{1jk}} = \begin{cases} \binom{\mu_{0jb}}{\mu_{1jb}}, & \text{if } k = b, b = \{everolimus\} \\ \binom{\mu_{0jb}}{\mu_{1jb}} + \binom{d_{0Ak} - d_{0Ab}}{d_{1Ak} - d_{1Ab}}, & \text{if } k \text{ different from } b \end{cases}$$

where h_{jkt} reflects the underlying hazard rate in trial j for intervention k, at time point t, and is now described as a function of time t with the power P chosen from the following set {-2, -1, -0.5, 0, 0.5, 1, 2, 3} with $t^0 = \log(t)$. The vector $\binom{\mu_{0jb}}{\mu_{1jb}}$ reflects the parameters β_{0jk} and β_{1jk} of the baseline treatment b, whereas d_{0Ak} corresponds to the treatment effect of k relative to overall reference treatment A and the vector $\binom{d_{0Ak}-d_{0Ab}}{d_{1Ak}-d_{1Ab}}$ reflects the difference in β_{0jk} and β_1 of the log hazard curve for treatment b relative to k. Note that if $\beta_{1jk} \neq 0$ and P = 1, a linear hazard function is obtained which corresponds to a Gompertz survival function, and if $\beta_{1jk} \neq 0$ and P = 0, a Weibull hazard function is obtained. As such, the loghazard function of the Weibull and Gompertz survival distributions are special cases of the fractional polynomial models.

For additional flexibility, this first-order fractional polynomial model can be generalized to a 2nd order fractional polynomial.

$$\log(h_{jkt}) = \begin{cases} \beta_{0jk} + \beta_{1jk}t^{p_1} + \beta_{1jk}t^{p_2}, & p_1 \neq p_2 \\ \beta_{0jk} + \beta_{1jk}t^p + \beta_{1jk}t^p (\log t), & p_1 = p_2 = p \end{cases} \quad with \ t^0 = \log(t)$$

$$\binom{\beta_{0jk}}{\beta_{1jk}} = \begin{cases} \binom{\mu_{0jb}}{\mu_{1jb}}, & \text{if } k = b, b = \{everolimus\} \\ \binom{\mu_{0jb}}{\mu_{2jb}} + \binom{d_{0Ak} - d_{0Ab}}{d_{1Ak} - d_{1Ab}}, & \text{if } k \text{ different from } b \end{cases}$$

The order of the polynomial and the parameters p, or p1 and p2 can be determined via model selection criteria such as the Deviance information criterion (DIC).

Programming code

Appendix 1 includes the codes used in the programming of the fractional polynomial ITC.

ITC Results

In the original submission, we tested both random- and fixed-effects models. We found that fixed-effects models provided as good estimates as random-effects models, but were more stable and faster to run (see section 4.10.5 of the original submission). Given the limited time for this new analysis, we focused on testing fixed-effects models only, assuming that the finding holds with the Jansen 2011¹ method also. The model fit statistics to the previous models (re-run for narrower network to allow comparison) and the new models are provided in Table 1 and Table 2.

Table 1: Model fit statis	cs from the	previous	NMA method	(parametric	curves,
Ouwens et al. 2010) – OS E	ec 2015				

Model fit	Weibull		Gomper	tz	Log-logi	stic	Log-norn	nal	Exponential	
statistics	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	os	PFS	OS	PFS
Residual deviance (Dbar)	2137.6	3476.4	2159.9	3481.8	2133.7	3329.1	2131.2	3291.0	2181.0	3513.5
Effective number of parameters (20)	7.2	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.8	4.1	4.1
Deviance information criteria (DIC)	2130.4	3468.8	2152.5	3474.2	2126.0	3321.3	2123.5	3283.2	2176.9	3509.4

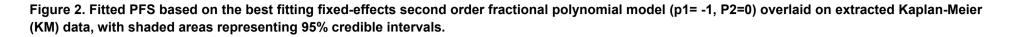
Note: The previous NMA method was re-run as a pair-wise comparison of METEOR and CheckMate025 studies in order to compare the fit statistics.

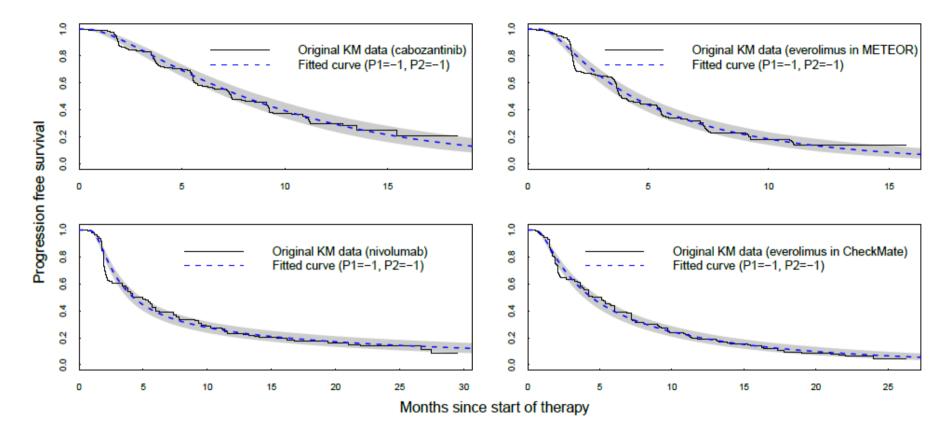
Table 2: Model fit statistics from the new NMA method (fractional polynomials, Jansen
2011) – OS Dec 2015

Model fit	First or P=0	der with	First ord P=1	der with	First ord P=-1		Second with P1=	order -1, P2=0		order with 2=-1
statistics	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS
Residual deviance (Dbar)	2137.6	3476.4	2159.9	3481.8	2127.8	3409.4	2137.8	3209.1	2137.2	3176.8
Effective number of parameters (pD)	7.2	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.8	8.1	11.4	11.8	11.1	11.6
Deviance information criteria (DIC)	2130.4	3468.8	2152.5	3474.2	2120.0	3401.3	2126.4	3197.3	2126.1	3165.2

Model fit statistics indicate that, for OS, first order fractional polynomial with P = -1 provided the best statistical fit for trial data. For PFS, second order polynomial with P1 = -1 and P2 = -1 provided the best fit. For OS, only the first order fractional polynomial with P = -1 improved the statistical fit compared with the best-fitting model originally submitted (log-normal). For PFS, second order polynomials with P1 = -1 and P2 = -1 or P1 = -1 and P2 = 0 improved the best-fitting model originally submitted (log-normal). For PFS, second order polynomials with P1 = -1 and P2 = -1 or P1 = -1 and P2 = 0 improved the best-fitting model originally submitted (log-normal). First order fractional polynomial where P=0 is equivalent to Weibull, and where P=1 is equivalent to Gompertz. We tested that the results were, indeed, consistent with the results from the previous NMA method (see Table 1 and Table 2). Additional models were tested for statistical fit of the ITC development, and statistical fitness results for these further models are listed Table 47 in Appendix 2.

The fitted PFS and OS curves were superimposed on the extracted Kaplan-Meier data to observe the visual fit of extracted data versus modelled data (Figure 2 and Figure 3). Visually, the best fitting fractional polynomial models provided a good fit for PFS and OS data for cabozantinib, everolimus and nivolumab for the trial duration. For the best fitting model, PFS under cabozantinib was predicted to be always superior to everolimus, and superior to nivolumab prior to the end of the 22nd month. OS under cabozantinib is always superior to its comparators during the 3 years. The estimated hazard ratios for cabozantinib versus other treatments were more favorable to cabozantinib for OS. For PFS, the estimated hazard ratios became more favorable to nivolumab after 9 months. Further results from the ITC are shown in Appendix 2.





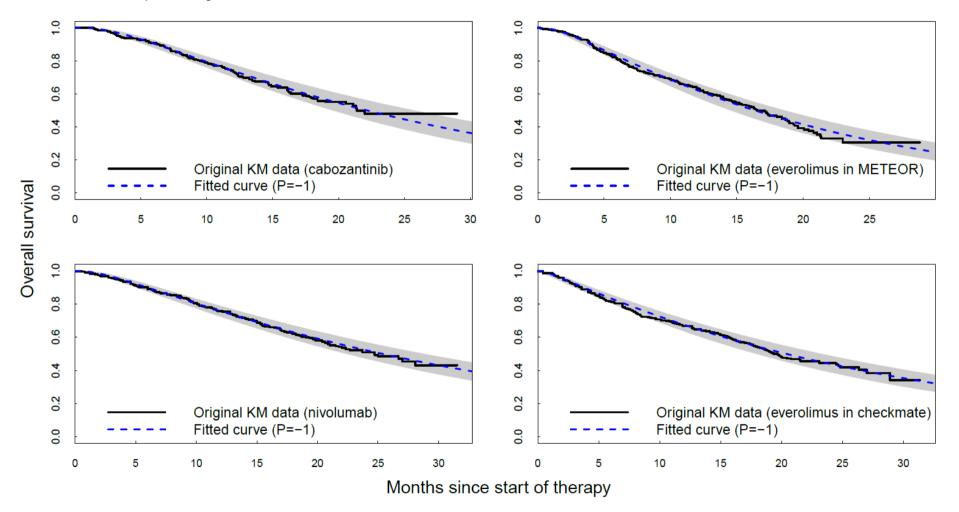


Figure 3. Fitted OS based on the best fitting fixed-effects first-order fractional polynomial model (p= -1) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier (KM) data, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals.

Real-world evidence compared to fitted PFS and OS

The Appraisal Committee agreed that, when modelling overall survival, it was important to choose the parametric distribution based on reliable evidence on the natural history of the disease in current UK clinical practice, and invited submission of any such evidence, accounting for differences in population and disease characteristics that may increase or decrease the risk of death. A search of datasets was conducted, with a focus on survival information from UK patients only, or with significant UK patient cohorts. On analysis of these data it was found that they were not useful in the context we required because length of follow up was too short, patient numbers were too small, quality of the data presented made it impossible to extract the particular survival data we required, data was only available for the first line setting, outdated prior treatments were used, or survival data was not available for the whole population of the study (i.e. it had been separated into different prognostic criteria groups). We then broadened our search to global, relevant datasets, most of which had the same problems as outlined above. In total 14 publications were identified from both searches³⁻¹⁶.The most appropriate dataset found was in the Ruiz-Morales et al 2016 publication¹⁵. This contained a large enough number of patients for robust analysis, a long enough period of survival data, and an analysis for survival in the whole second line population specifically. Although no UK patients were in the study it was conducted in countries with many similarities in respect to population baseline characteristics, socioeconomic characteristics, and health systems

This study by Ruiz-Morales et al. 2016 obtained data from 7,438 patients from the International mRCC Database Consortium (IMDC) with metastatic RCC with either first-line sunitinib (n = 6,519) or pazopanib (n = 919)¹⁵. Of these two groups, 41 per cent of patients treated first-line with sunitinib (n=2,667) and 32 per cent of the first-line pazopanib group (n=290) also received second-line therapy. The study found that OS from start of second line therapy was 13.1 months and PFS was 3.7 months with prior sunitinib exposure (see

Figure **4**). At five years, the percentage of patients still alive was approximately 10 per cent. Whilst baseline characteristics were reported for the whole study cohort only, there were similarities with the METEOR trial in the proportion of females, nephrectomy and prior sunitinib use.

In Figure 4, it can be seen that, while the statistical fits were improved by employing the alternative ITC method described by Jansen (2011)¹ compared to those observed from the method described by Ouwens et al. (2010)², the proportion of patients that remain alive after 7-15 years may be too low with the best fitting fractional polynomial model when compared with the real-world evidence. The five-year survival rates for the fractional polynomial model were 4.9 per cent, whereas in the Ruiz-Morales study 10 per cent of second-line patients were alive at five years. Moreover the clinical experts predicted five-year survival rates of between 10 and 12 per cent in the nivolumab NICE appraisal (see section 4.14 of the FAD). For this reason, we have provided an option in the model for testing a scenario where the best fitting fractional polynomial model is used for the trial duration, and for extrapolation it is possible to either keep the fractional polynomial approach or to use the lognormal model fit after a specified time period (suggested 2.5 years, i.e., end of trial follow-up).

A further issue with the fractional polynomial model was observed for the best fitting PFS model (second order where P1=-1 and P2=-1) in the nivolumab comparison. The PFS and OS curves cross at around 5.5 years (see Figure 6). For this reason we provide a scenario that uses the lognormal model for PFS since this provides a good statistical fit and the long-term prediction is more aligned with clinical expectations (see Figure 7). Median and mean survival estimates (in months) are shown from Table 3 to Table 8.

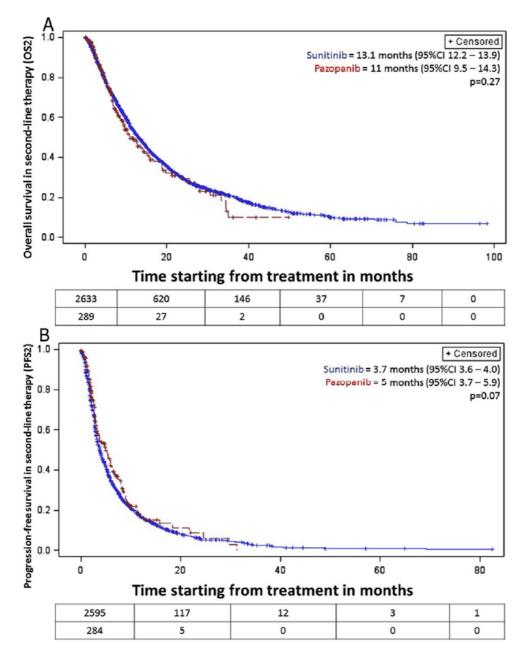
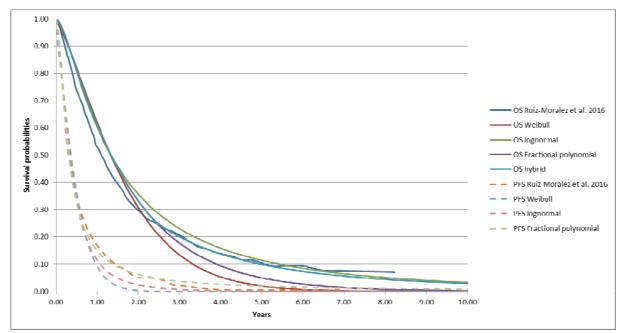


Fig. 3. (A) Overall survival in second-line therapy after either sunitinib (SU) or pazopanib (PZ). (B) Progression-free survival in second-line therapy after either SU or PZ.





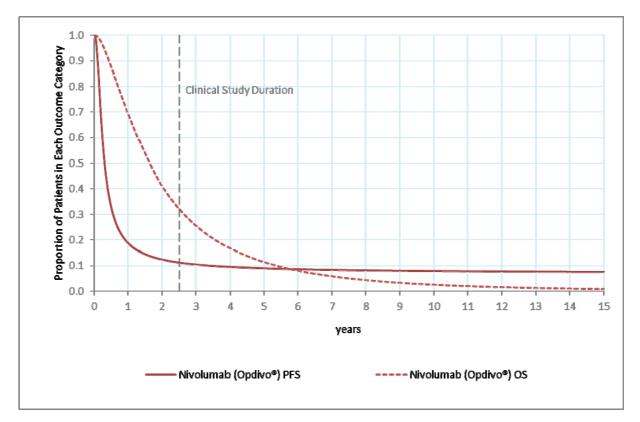


Figure 6. Nivolumab PFS and OS with best fitting fractional polynomial models

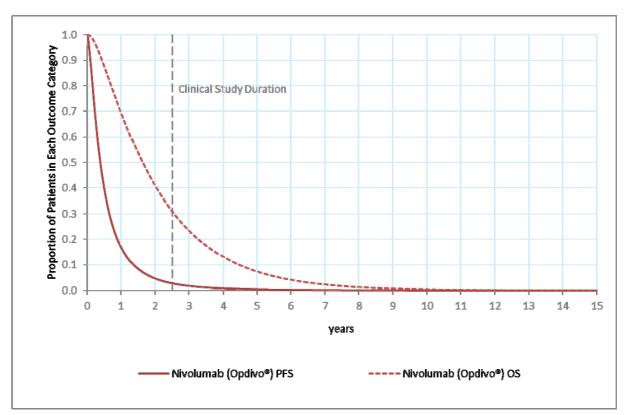


Figure 7. Nivolumab PFS with lognormal model and OS with best fitting fractional polynomial model

Figure 8. Nivolumab PFS with lognormal model, and OS with best fitting fractional polynomial model and applying general population mortality to 50% of nivolumab patients

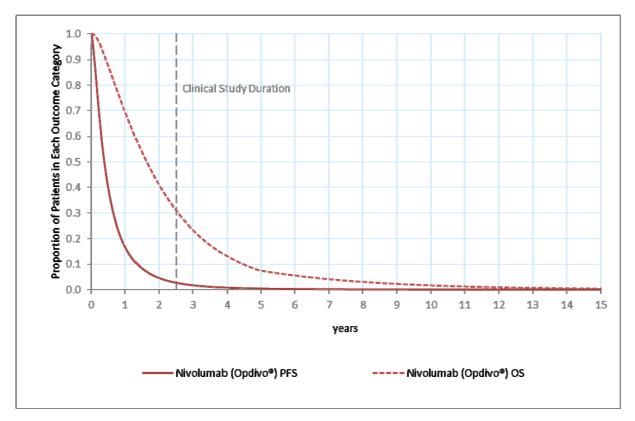


Table 3: Survival estimates (months): Lognormal model

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Drug	Mediar	n OS	Me	ean OS	Me	dian PFS	M	ean PFS
Cabozantinib								
Axitinib								
Everolimus								
Nivolumab								

Table 4: Survival estimates (months): Weibull model

Drug	Median OS	Mean OS	Median PFS	Mean PFS
Cabozantinib				
Axitinib				
Everolimus				
Nivolumab				

Table 5: Survival estimates (months): Best fitting fractional polynomial model

Drug	Median OS	Mean OS	Median PFS	Mean PFS
Cabozantinib				
Axitinib				
Everolimus				
Nivolumab				

Table 6: Survival estimates (months): Best fitting fractional polynomial model trial duration, lognormal extrapolation

Drug	Median O	S Mean G	OS Median	PFS	Mean PF	S
Cabozantinib						
Axitinib						
Everolimus						
Nivolumab						

Table 7: Survival estimates (months): Best fitting fractional polynomial model OS, lognormal PFS

Drug	Media	in OS	Mear	n OS	Media	n PFS	Mean	PFS
Cabozantinib								
Axitinib								
Everolimus								
Nivolumab								

Table 8: Survival estimates (months): Best fitting fractional polynomial model, lognormal PFS, 50% general mortality for nivolumab after 5 years

Drug	Media	n OS	М	ean OS	Mee	dian PFS	M	ean PFS
Cabozantinib								
Axitinib								
Everolimus								
Nivolumab								

2. Revised cost-effectiveness model

Overview of	adjustments	made to the model	
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Model adjustment	Details
aujustment	
Comparators	BSC has been excluded as a comparator option. We have not removed the engines and formulas associated with BSC, merely the option to choose BSC and hence populate the results.
Relative efficacy	Axitinib is assumed to be as effective as everolimus in terms of OS and PFS.
comparison	Inclusion of best fitting fractional polynomials (FP) curves.
	Parametric Survival curve method - updated:
	 We have re-run the originally submitted network meta-analysis including only METEOR and CheckMate025 studies.
	• Allow extrapolation with lognormal distribution after specified time period to provide a visual match to real-world data.
Mortality	The model allows general population mortality to be used for one or more treatments for those patients who survival 5 years or more.
	• A scenario analysis is run where 50% of those patients who are alive at 5 years and receiving nivolumab are assumed to have general population mortality. This assumption is in line with the nivolumab appraisal (Page 10 in Company response to the nivolumab ACD).
Utilities	Apply age-adjustment to model utility values.
	 The formula applied was EQ-5D = 0.9454933 + 0.0256466*male - 0.0002213*age - 0.0000294*age²⁽¹⁷⁾
	 We used the mean age and proportion male from the METEOR study (62.5 years and 75.1% male).
	• No changes to utility decrements as extreme values were shown to have limited impact on results.
	 For the original submission we conducted a systematic literature review on utilities, which included search terms for utility decrements (see Figure 5).
	 Limited information was identified.
	 Publication by Swinburn included utility and utility decrement information for selected adverse events¹⁸. We took the lowest adverse event utility decrement reported, which was 0.469 for palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia (PPE) i.e. hand-foot syndrome. Compared to stable RCC without adverse events

	that had utility of 0.795, the difference was 0.3260.
	 We ran a model scenario where this value was applied to all adverse events and found that the ICER did not change significantly (see Table 30).
	 Based on the modest change in the results, utility decrement from METEOR is continued to be applied in the base case.
Subsequent	Exclusion of sorafenib from subsequent treatments.
treatments	 We have assumed that patients receive axitinib instead of sorafenib.
	 It is assumed that sorafenib has approximately equal efficacy to axitinib (AXIS OS HR 0.969, 95% CI 0.800-1.174). Axitinib, in turn, is assumed to have equal efficacy to everolimus.
	 Hence, only the cost of subsequent treatments is modified by this change.
Reporting of results	QALY and LY results are provided for pre- and post-disease progression
	 Fully incremental analysis of the cost effectiveness results are presented
	 Probabilistic sensitivity analyses are also presented
Cost and	Inclusion of nivolumab wastage in the base case.
resource use	• Assume patients are monitored by consultant oncologists once every 4 weeks.
	 Previously we assumed that the patients have 1 GP visit every 4 weeks and 1 consultant oncologist visit every 6 weeks.
	 Instead, we now assume that patients are monitored by consultant oncologists once every 4 weeks and do not visit their GP.
Final OS data cut METEOR (October 2016)	See Appendix 1 – programming code and Appendix 3 CE model

Results

Results are provided for:

- Lognormal (as in the original submission) but in a reduced network of METEOR and CheckMate025 studies only, and assuming equal efficacy for axitinib and everolimus.
- 2. Best fitting fractional polynomial models: OS P=-1 and PFS P1=-1, P2=-1.

Additionally, results are provided for scenario analyses:

- a) Best fitting fractional polynomial models for trial duration and lognormal for extrapolation "Hybrid".
- b) Best fitting fractional polynomial model for OS, but using lognormal model for PFS.
- c) Best fitting fractional polynomial models for OS, lognormal for PFS, but applying general mortality to 50% of those patients who are alive at 5 years and receiving nivolumab.

Results with list prices for the survival assumptions described above are provided from Table 9 to Table 13. Table 14 to Table 16 provide the results for drug prices including cabozantinib PAS of **Constant** discount and **Constant** and **Constant** discounts for comparators using the lognormal models (item 1 on the above list). The PAS discount scenarios for best fitting fractional polynomial model are provided from Table 17 to Table 19 (item 2 on the above list).

Table 9: Lognormal model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versuscomparator - without PAS

	Total	Total	Total life- years	Incremen	tal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus
Drug	costs	QALYs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Incremental Analysi	<u>is</u>						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							
Axitinib							
Cabozantinib							
Nivolumab							
Key:ICER, increment	al cost-effe	ectiveness rat	io; QALY, qu	uality adjuste	ed life-year		1

Table 10: Fractional Polynomial model; pair-wise and incremental analysis ofcabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

	Total	Total	Total	Incremer	ntal versus ca	ICER versus	
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Incremental Analys	is						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							
Axitinib							
Cabozantinib							
Nivolumab							
Key: ICER, incremer	ntal cost-eff	ectiveness ra	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	ted life-year	I	1

Table 11: Hybrid model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versuscomparator - without PAS

	Total	Total	Total	Incremen	tal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Incremental Analysi	i <u>s</u>						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							
Axitinib							
Cabozantinib							
Nivolumab							
Key:ICER, increment	al cost-effe	ectiveness rat	io; QALY, qu	uality adjuste	ed life-year		1

Table 12: FP OS & Lognormal PFS; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinibversus comparator - without PAS

		Total	Total	Incrementa	Incremental versus cabozantinib			
Drug Tot	Total costs	costs QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	– cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib								
Axitinib								
Everolimus								
Nivolumab								
Incremental A	nalysis						<u>ICER vs</u> baseline	
Everolimus								
Axitinib								
Cabozantinib								
Nivolumab								
Key: ICER, incr	emental cost-ef	fectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjust	ed life-year	•		

Table 13: Nivo 50% general pop mortality; pair-wise and incremental analysis ofcabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

		Total	Total	Incremental	Incremental versus cabozantinib			
	Total costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	– cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib								
Axitinib								
Everolimus								
Nivolumab								
Incremental A	nalysis						ICER vs baseline	
Everolimus								
Axitinib								
Cabozantinib								
Nivolumab								
Key: ICER, incr	emental cost-ef	fectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjuste	ed life-year		·	

Table 14: Lognormal model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS () &) &) &)

	Total Total	Total	Increme	ntal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus	
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							Ē
Axitinib							38,740
Everolimus							50,474
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analys	is						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							38,740
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-eff	ectiveness ra	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	sted life-year		1

Table 15: Lognormal model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS () &) &) &)

	Total Total	Total	Increme	ntal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus	
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							=
Axitinib							44,031
Everolimus							54,177
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analys	is						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							44,031
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-eff	ectiveness ra	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	ted life-year		I

Table 16: Lognormal model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS () &) &) &)

Total	Total	Total life- years	Increme	ntal versus ca	abozantinib	ICER versus
costs	QALYs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
						-
						49,323
						57,880
						Dominant
ysis	·	·			·	ICER vs baseline
						-
						Dominated
						49,323
						Dominated
	Total costs	costs QALYs	Total costsTotal QALYslife- yearsImage: CostsImage: CostsImage	Total costsTotal QALYsIotal life- yearsCostsImage: CostsImage: CostsIm	Total costsTotal QALYsIfotal life- yearsCostsQALYsImage: CostsQALYsImage: CostsQALYsImage: CostsImage: CostsI	Total costsTotal QALYslife- yearsCostsQALYsLife yearsImage: CostsQALYsImage: CostsQALYsImage: CostsImage: Cos

Table 17: Fractional polynomial model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (

		Total	Total	Incremental v	ersus caboza	ntinib	ICER versus
Drug	Drug Total costs QAI	QALYs	life-	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							=
Axitinib							35,010
Everolimus							59,600
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental A	nalysis						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							35,010
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incr	emental cost-eff	ectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjusted	life-year	1	

Table 18: Fractional polynomial model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (& _____ discount comparator comparators _____ _____ & _____ discount comparator

	Total	Total	Total	Increment	tal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	- cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							42,926
Everolimus							64,071
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analysi	<u>s</u>						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							42,926
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-effe	ctiveness rat	tio; QALY, q	uality adjust	ed life-year	- 1	

Table 19: Fractional polynomial model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (& _____ discount comparator comparators _____ _____ & _____ discount comparator

	Total	Total	Total	Incremer	ntal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus
Drug	costs QALY	QALYs	life-	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							50,842
Everolimus							68,542
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analysi	<u>s</u>			·		·	ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							50,842
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-effe	ctiveness rat	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	ted life-year		1

Table 20: Hybrid model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS () & &

Drug	Total costs	Total QALYs	Total life- years	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus
				Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							25,759
Everolimus							49,072
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analysis							ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							25,759
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-eff	ectiveness ra	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	ted life-year	1	1

Table 21: Hybrid model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS () & &

	Total Total	Total	Incremer	ntal versus ca	bozantinib		
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							32,638
Everolimus							52,675
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analys	i <u>s</u>						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							32,638
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-effe	ectiveness ra	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	ted life-year		1

Table 22: Hybrid model; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS () & &

	Total Total	Total	Incremen	ntal versus ca	abozantinib		
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							39,516
Everolimus							56,278
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental Analys	<u>is</u>						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							39,516
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incremen	tal cost-eff	ectiveness ra	tio; QALY, q	uality adjus	ted life-year	1	1

Table 23: FP OS & Lognormal PFS; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (Washington - with cabozantinib Washington - with ca

		Total QALYs URLYS		Incremental ve	rsus caboza	ntinib	ICER versus			
Drug	Total costs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)				
Cabozantinib							-			
Axitinib							44,394			
Everolimus							58,198			
Nivolumab							Dominant			
Incremental A	nalysis						ICER vs baseline			
Everolimus							-			
Axitinib							Dominated			
Cabozantinib							44,394			
Nivolumab							Dominated			
Key: ICER, incr	Key: ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life-year									

Table 24: FP OS & Lognormal PFS; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (Washington - with cabozantinib Washington - with ca

		Total QALYs Vears	Total	Incrementa	l versus caboza	antinib	ICER versus
Drug	Total costs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	– cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							50,621
Everolimus							62,563
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental A	nalysis						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							50,621
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incr	emental cost-ef	fectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjust	ed life-year	4	•

Table 25: FP OS & Lognormal PFS; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (With the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter in the second parameter is a second parameter in the second parameter i

		Total	Total	Incremental	ICER versus		
Drug	Total costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	– cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							56,848
Everolimus							66,928
Nivolumab							Dominant
							ICER vs
Incremental A	nalysis						ICER vs baseline
Incremental A	nalysis						
	nalysis						
Everolimus	nalysis						baseline -
Everolimus Axitinib	nalysis						baseline - Dominated

Table 26: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (

	rug Total costs QALYs life-	Total	Total	Incremental	versus caboz	antinib	ICER versus
Drug		life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	— cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							44,394
Everolimus							58,198
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental A	nalysis			_		1	ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							<u>-</u>
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							44,394
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incr	remental cost-e	ffectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjuste	d life-year		

Table 27: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (

		Total	Total	Incrementa	ıl versus caboza	intinib	ICER versus
Drug	Total costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	– cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							50,621
Everolimus							62,563
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental A	nalysis						ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							50,621
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incr	emental cost-eff	ectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjust	ed life-year	<u>I</u>	

Table 28: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality; pair-wise and incremental analysis of cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS (

		Total	Total	Incrementa	l versus caboza	ntinib	ICER versus
Drug	Total costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	– cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							=
Axitinib							56,848
Everolimus							66,928
Nivolumab							Dominant
Incremental A	nalysis		-				ICER vs baseline
Everolimus							-
Axitinib							Dominated
Cabozantinib							56,848
Nivolumab							Dominated
Key: ICER, incr	emental cost-ef	fectiveness	ratio; QALY,	quality adjuste	ed life-year	1	1

	QALY			LY				
Drug	Pre- progression	Post- progression	Total	Pre- progression	Post- progression	Total		
Cabozantinib								
Axitinib								
Everolimus								
Nivolumab								

Table 29: QALY and LY accrual by health state (best fitting fractional polynomial model)

Table 30: Comparison of (without PAS) model results with METEOR utility decrement and extreme utility decrement (Best fitting fractional polynomial model)

Total QALYs hent (life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
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Sensitivity analyses

Probabilistic sensitivity analysis

Probabilistic sensitivity analysis (PSA) was performed to translate the imprecision in all input variables into a measure of decision uncertainty in the cost effectiveness model for the options being compared. The point estimates, standard errors/confidence intervals and distribution choices have been described for each parameter in Table 76 of the original submission. Uncertainties for distributions derived from the ITC were tested by drawing random samplings from the multivariate-normal distribution derived from the variance-covariance matrix.

The mean probabilistic results are reported in Table 31 for list prices. Results for PAS scenarios are shown from Table 32 to Table 34. The scatterplots and cost acceptability curves are provided in Appendix 6.

	Tatal	Total	Total	Increment	tal versus cab	ICER versus	
Drug	Total costs	Total QALYs	life- vears	Costs	QALYs	Life vears	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib			,				
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							

Table 32: Fractional Polynomial model PSA; with PAS cabozantinib, PAS comparators PAS PAS PAS

	Total Total		Total	Increment	al versus cab	ICER versus	
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							34,822
Everolimus							57,325
Nivolumab							Dominant

 Table 33: Fractional Polynomial model; with PAS cabozantinib, PAS comparators

_ Total Total		Total	Total	Increment	al versus cab	ICER versus	
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs Life years		cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							43,101
Everolimus							63,838
Nivolumab							Dominant

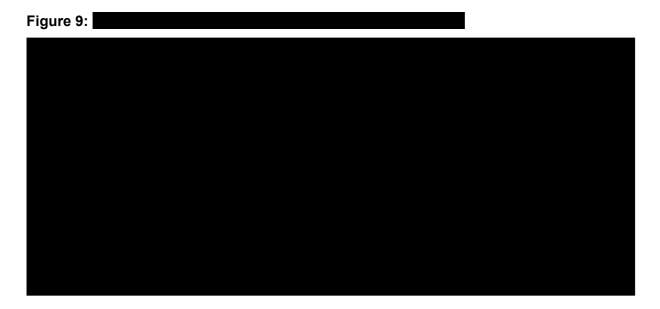
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	Total	Total	Total	Total Incremental versus cabozanti			ICER versus	
Drug	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							-	
Axitinib							51,766	
Everolimus							68,551	
Nivolumab							Dominant	

Deterministic sensitivity analysis

An assessment of parameter uncertainty was also performed via deterministic sensitivity analysis. The model parameter values were individually varied to test the sensitivity of the model's results to specific parameters or sets of parameters. The inputs and the range tested are reported in Table 93 of the original submission.

Figures 9 – 11 show tornado diagrams depicting the top 10 most influential model parameters using list prices and best fitting fractional polynomial models. The results with the PAS scenarios are shown from Figure 12 to Figure 20. Results are robust to isolated parameter changes to the vast majority of variables in the model.



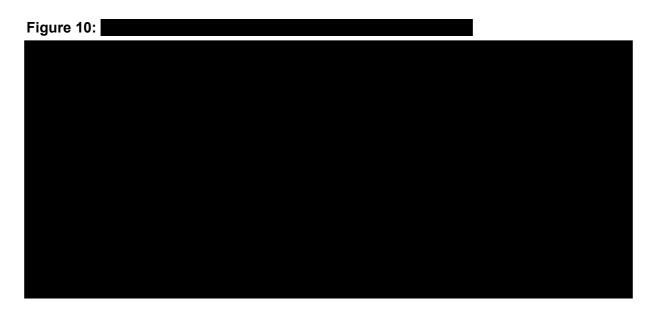
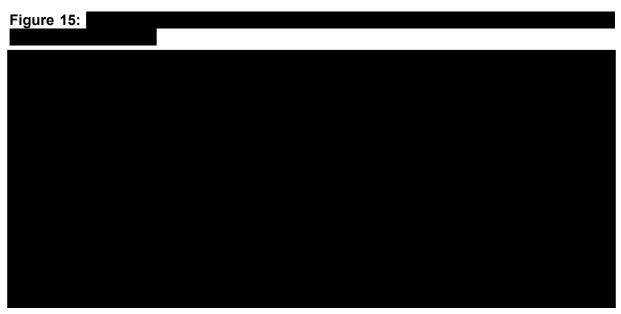


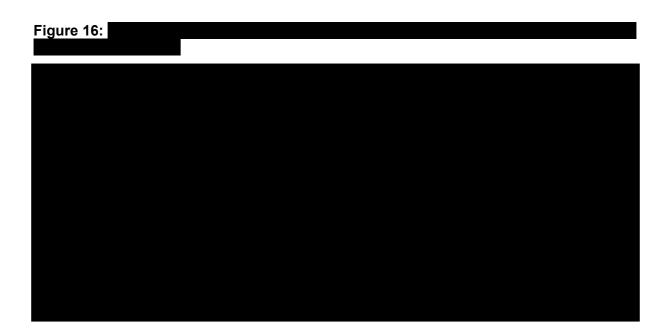




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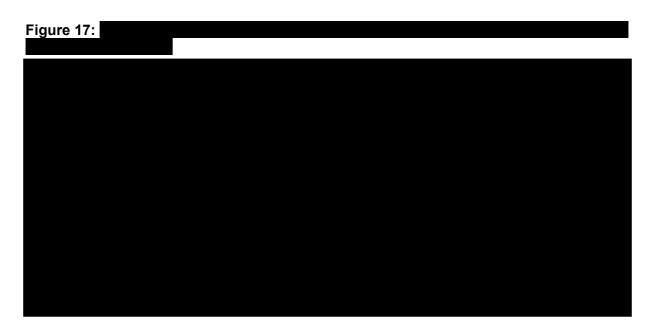
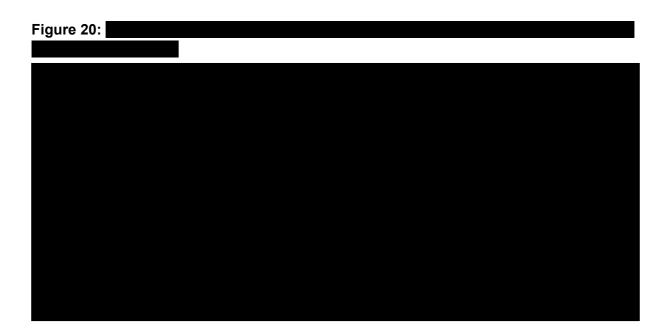


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Scenario analysis (SA)

The scenarios tested are shown from Table 35 to Table 46.

Table 35: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus axitinib	
without PAS	

		Total costs	Total costs		Total QALYs		
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator		
Base case							
Discount: 3.5%	6%						
5.570	0%						
Time horizon: 30years	15 years						
obyears	20 years						
PFS curves	PFS=exponential						
	PFS=gompertz						
	PFS=loglogistic						
	PFS=lognormal						
	PFS=weibull						
Time on	TTD=exponential						
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz						
	TTD=lognormal						
	TTD=weibull						
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)						
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)						
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility						
Cost	Wastage excluded						
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)						
	During PFS patients managed by GP						
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)						
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded						
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment						
	End-of-life cost excluded						

		Total costs	6	Total QAL	Ys	ICER	
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator		
Base case							
Discount: 3.5%	6%						
5.570	0%						
Time horizon: 30years	15 years						
•	20 years						
PFS curves	PFS=exponential						
	PFS=gompertz						
	PFS=loglogistic						
	PFS=lognormal						
	PFS=weibull						
Time on	TTD=exponential						
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz						
	TTD=lognormal						
	TTD=weibull						
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)						
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)						
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility						
Cost	Wastage excluded						
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)						
	During PFS patients managed by GP						
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)						
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded						
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment						
	End-of-life cost excluded						

Table 36: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versuseverolimus without PAS

		Total costs	3	Total QAL	Ys	ICER	
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator		
Base case							
Discount: 3.5%	6%						
	0%						
Time horizon: 30years	15 years						
•	20 years						
PFS curves	PFS=exponential						
	PFS=gompertz						
	PFS=loglogistic						
	PFS=lognormal						
	PFS=weibull						
Time on	TTD=exponential						
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz						
	TTD=lognormal						
	TTD=weibull						
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)						
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn) Exclude the age-adjusted						
	utility						
Cost	Wastage excluded						
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)						
	During PFS patients managed by GP						
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)						
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded						
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment						
	End-of-life cost excluded						

Table 37: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versusnivolumab without PAS

		Total costs		Total QAI	_Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	
Base case						35,010
Discount:	6%					36,110
3.5%	0%			33,411		
Time horizon:	15 years					34,994
30years	20 years					35,009
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					44,248
	PFS=gompertz					46,696
	PFS=loglogistic					42,734
	PFS=lognormal					44,394
	PFS=weibull					47,758
Time on	TTD=exponential					29,503
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					23,909
	TTD=lognormal					38,970
	TTD=weibull					25,166
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					35,904
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					35,028
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					34,478
Cost	Wastage excluded					35,010
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					36,857
	During PFS patients managed by GP					35,014
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					37,717
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					38,329
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					36,121
	End-of-life cost excluded					35,266

Table 38: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus axitinib with PAS (cabozantinib . comparator

		Total cost	S	Total QAI	Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	
Base case						59,600
Discount:	6%					61,369
3.5%	0%					57,068
Time horizon:	15 years					59,601
30years	20 years					59,600
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					58,397
	PFS=gompertz					59,200
	PFS=loglogistic					58,205
	PFS=lognormal					58,198
	PFS=weibull					59,028
Time on	TTD=exponential					54,818
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					48,861
	TTD=lognormal					62,582
	TTD=weibull					50,562
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					61,127
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					60,610
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					58,691
Cost	Wastage excluded					59,600
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					61,452
	During PFS patients managed by GP					59,604
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					69,276
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					64,477
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					60,305
	End-of-life cost excluded					59,857

Table 39: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus everolimus with PAS (cabozantinib **sec**, comparator **sec**)

		Total cost	S	Total QAL	_Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	
Base case						(105,008)
Discount:	6%					(111,507)
3.5%	0%					(95,795)
Time horizon:	15 years					(105,234)
30years	20 years					(105,024)
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					(95,449)
	PFS=gompertz					(98,604)
	PFS=loglogistic					(94,829)
	PFS=lognormal					(94,996)
	PFS=weibull					(97,388)
Time on	TTD=exponential					(94,817)
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					(121,168)
	TTD=lognormal					(107,422)
	TTD=weibull					(99,386)
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					(111,907)
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					(113,507)
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					(103,171)
Cost	Wastage excluded					(79,901)
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					(100,421)
	During PFS patients managed by GP					(105,014)
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					(95,209)
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					(94,923)
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					(104,000)
	End-of-life cost excluded					(104,731)

Table 40: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus nivolumab with PAS (cabozantinib **sec**, comparator **sec**)

		Total costs		Total QAI	Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	
Base case						42,926
Discount:	6%					44,364
3.5%	0%					40,848
Time horizon:	15 years					42,916
30years	20 years					42,925
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					50,542
	PFS=gompertz					52,805
	PFS=loglogistic					49,207
	PFS=lognormal					50,621
	PFS=weibull					53,673
Time on	TTD=exponential					37,365
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					31,703
	TTD=lognormal					46,933
	TTD=weibull					32,969
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					44,023
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					42,947
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					42,273
Cost	Wastage excluded					42,926
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					44,773
	During PFS patients managed by GP					42,930
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					45,469
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					45,994
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					43,469
	End-of-life cost excluded					43,182

Table 41: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus axitinib with PAS (cabozantinib with PAS (cabozantinib

		Total cost	S	Total QAI	_Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	-
Base case						64,071
Discount:	6%					66,091
3.5%	0%					61,182
Time horizon:	15 years					64,076
30years	20 years					64,071
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					62,776
	PFS=gompertz					63,641
	PFS=loglogistic					62,571
	PFS=lognormal					62,563
	PFS=weibull					63,456
Time on	TTD=exponential					59,126
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					53,152
	TTD=lognormal					67,251
	TTD=weibull					54,795
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					65,713
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					65,158
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					63,094
Cost	Wastage excluded					64,071
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					65,924
	During PFS patients managed by GP					64,075
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					72,606
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					68,492
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					64,413
	End-of-life cost excluded					64,328

Table 42: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus everolimus with PAS (cabozantinib **sec**, comparator **sec**)

		Total costs		Total QALYs		ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	-
Base case						(61,603)
Discount:	6%					(65,730)
3.5%	0%					(55,751)
Time horizon:	15 years					(61,769)
30years	20 years					(61,614)
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					(55,964)
	PFS=gompertz					(57,825)
	PFS=loglogistic					(55,598)
	PFS=lognormal					(55,697)
	PFS=weibull					(57,107)
Time on	TTD=exponential					(54,713)
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					(79,542)
	TTD=lognormal					(62,276)
	TTD=weibull					(60,242)
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					(65,650)
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					(66,589)
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					(60,525)
Cost	Wastage excluded					(40,083)
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					(57,015)
	During PFS patients managed by GP					(61,608)
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					(52,773)
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					(52,527)
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					(61,099)
	End-of-life cost excluded					(61,326)

Table 43: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus nivolumab with PAS (cabozantinib **sec**, comparator **sec**)

		Total cost	S	Total QAI	_Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	-
Base case						50,842
Discount:	6%					52,618
3.5%	0%					48,285
Time horizon:	15 years					50,837
30years	20 years					50,841
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					56,835
	PFS=gompertz					58,915
	PFS=loglogistic					55,680
	PFS=lognormal					56,848
	PFS=weibull					59,587
Time on	TTD=exponential					45,227
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					39,497
	TTD=lognormal					54,895
	TTD=weibull					40,771
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					52,141
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					50,867
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					50,069
Cost	Wastage excluded					50,842
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					52,688
	During PFS patients managed by GP					50,846
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					53,221
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					53,658
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					50,816
	End-of-life cost excluded					51,098

Table 44: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus axitinib with PAS (cabozantinib . comparator

		Total cost	S	Total QAI	_Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	
Base case						68,542
Discount: 3.5%	6%					70,813
3.5%	0%					65,297
Time horizon:	15 years					68,551
30years	20 years					68,543
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					67,156
	PFS=gompertz					68,082
	PFS=loglogistic					66,936
	PFS=lognormal					66,928
	PFS=weibull					67,884
Time on	TTD=exponential					63,433
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					57,444
	TTD=lognormal					71,920
	TTD=weibull					59,027
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					70,299
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					69,705
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					67,497
Cost	Wastage excluded					68,542
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					70,395
	During PFS patients managed by GP					68,547
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					75,936
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					72,508
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					68,522
	End-of-life cost excluded					68,800

Table 45: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus everolimus with PAS (cabozantinib **sec**, comparator **sec**)

		Total cost	S	Total QAI	_Ys	ICER
		Cabo.	Comparator	Cabo.	Comparator	
Base case						(18,197)
Discount:	6%					(19,952)
3.5%	0%					(15,707)
Time horizon:	15 years					(18,303)
30years	20 years					(18,204)
PFS curves	PFS=exponential					(16,478)
	PFS=gompertz					(17,045)
	PFS=loglogistic					(16,367)
	PFS=lognormal					(16,397)
	PFS=weibull					(16,827)
Time on	TTD=exponential					(14,609)
treatment curves	TTD=gompertz					(37,915)
	TTD=lognormal					(17,131)
	TTD=weibull					(21,098)
Utility	Decrement due to progression (average decrement)					(19,393)
	Decrement due to AEs (worst scenario: Swinburn)					(19,670)
	Exclude the age-adjusted utility					(17,879)
Cost	Wastage excluded					(264)
	Disease manament cost (Nivolumab TA)					(13,610)
	During PFS patients managed by GP					(18,203)
	Subsequent treatment cost (UK clinicians' opinion)					(10,337)
	Subsequent treatment cost excluded					(10,132)
	Sorafenib included in the subsequent treatment					(18,199)
	End-of-life cost excluded					(17,920)

Table 46: Scenario analyses fractional polynomial model cabozantinib versus nivolumab with PAS (cabozantinib **see**, comparator **see**)

3.Factual inaccuracies

Section, page	Factual inaccuracy	Correction
Section 1.1, page 3 Recommendations	Indication needs to be amended to include the word 'prior'	The text should be amended as follows: 'Cabozantinib is indicated for the treatment of advanced renal cell carcinoma in adults following <u>prior</u> vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF)-targeted therapy.'
Section 2, page 4, Price	The list of available doses is incorrect.The correct doses are 20 mg, 40 mg and 60 mg.	The text should be amended as follows: 'The list price is £5,143.00 per 30-tab pack applicable to all dosages (20 mg, $\frac{30}{40}$ mg and 60 mg)'.
Section 4.6, page 7, Clinical effectiveness	Typographical error	The text should be amended as follows: 'The intention-to-treat analysis: all patients randomised at baseline (n= 658)'.
Section 4.18, page 15, Cost and effects of subsequent treatments	Typographical error	The text should be amended as follows: 'The company included the cost of sorafenib as a subsequent treatment in the model, whereas the ERG excluded it because sorafenib it is not available in the NHS'.
Summary of appraisal Committee's key conclusions, page 24, Availability, nature and quality of evidence	Typographical error	The text should be amended as follows: 'The intention-to-treat analysis: all patient <u>s</u> randomised at baseline (n= 658)'.
Summary of appraisal Committee's key conclusions, page 28, Have any potential significant and substantial health-related benefits been identified that were not included in the economic model, and how have they been considered?	Typographical error	The text should be amended as follows: 'The Committee did not identify a benefit to utility that was not otherwise accounting accounted for in the modelling'.

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4. Appendices

Appendix 1 – programming code

input\$time <- c(input[-1,"V1"], 1000)
input\$dt <- input\$time - c(0, input[-nrow(input),"time"])
input\$n <- input\$V2# number of patients at risk in the interval
input\$r <- input\$V3# number of deaths in the interval
input\$t <- t # treatment
input\$b <- b # baseline treatment
input\$s <- s # study
return(input[-nrow(input),c("time", "dt", "n", "r", "t", "b", "s")])</pre>

}

winbugsi_new <- rbind(ns_convert(read.table("OS2_cabo.txt", header=T), 2, 1, 1), ns_convert(read.table("OS2_ever.txt", header=T), 1, 1, 1), ns_convert(read.table("checkmate_OS_nivolumab_KMdata.txt", header=T), 3, 1, 2), ns_convert(read.table("checkmate_OS_everolimus_KMdata.txt", header=T), 1, 1, 2))

winbugsi <- winbugsi_new[winbugsi_new\$n > 0,]

Fixed effects model

Second order fractional polynomial

 $\begin{aligned} & \text{bugs_inits_fixed_2nd <- list(} \\ & \text{list("mu"=matrix(-c(1,1,.1,.1,.1),2,3),} & \text{"d"=matrix(c(NA, 2, -2, 2,NA, .1, -.1,NA,.1, .1),3,3)),} \\ & \text{list("mu"=matrix(-c(1,1,.1,.1,.1),2,3),} & \text{"d"=matrix(c(NA, -2, 2,NA, -.1, .1,NA,.1, -.1),3,3)),} \\ & \text{list("mu"=matrix(c(-1,-1,-.1,-.1,.1,.1),2,3),} & \text{"d"=matrix(c(NA, 2, 2,NA, .1, .1,NA,.1, -.1),3,3))} \end{aligned}$

)

####### P1 = -1, P2 = 0

bugs_input_fixed_2nd_Pm10 <- bugs_input_2nd_Pm10</pre>

bugs_input_fixed_2nd_Pm10\$R <- NULL</pre>

FP.fixed.2nd.Pm10 <- bugs(data = bugs_input_fixed_2nd_Pm10, inits=bugs_inits_fixed_2nd, "BUGS run", model.file="bugs_model_FP_fixed_2nd.txt", bugs.directory="C:/Users/shuaifu/Documents/WinBUGS14", parameters=c("mu", "d"), n.chains=3, n.iter=500000, n.burnin=250000, n.thin=10, debug=F)

First order fractional polynomial

bugs_inits_fixed_1st <- list(</pre>

.1),3,2)),	list("mu"=matrix(-c(1,1,.1,.1),2,2),	"d"=matrix(c(NA, 2, -2,NA,.1, -
.1),3,2)),	list("mu"=matrix(-c(1,1,.1,.1),2,2),	"d"=matrix(c(NA,-2, 2,NA,1,
,-,-,,,	list("mu"=matrix(c(-1,-1,1,1),2,2), "d"=ma	atrix(c(NA, 2, 2,NA, .1, .1),3,2))

)

P = 1

#inputs:

```
\label{eq:sigma} bugs_input_1st_P1 <- list("N"=nrow(winbugsi), "NS"=2, "NT"=3, "mean"=c(0,0), "prec2"=diag(rep(0.0001,2)), "R"=diag(rep(0.01,2)), "time"=winbugsi[,1], "dt"=winbugsi[,2], "n"=winbugsi[,3], "r"=winbugsi[,4], "t"=winbugsi[,5], "b"=winbugsi[,6], "s"=winbugsi[,7], "ts"=c(2,3), "bs"=c(1,1), P1=1)
```

```
bugs_input_fixed_1st_P1 <- bugs_input_1st_P1</pre>
```

```
bugs_input_fixed_1st_P1$R <- NULL</pre>
```

```
FP.fixed.1st.P1 <- bugs(data = bugs_input_fixed_1st_P1, inits=bugs_inits_fixed_1st, "BUGS
run", model.file="bugs_model_FP_fixed_1st.txt",
bugs.directory="C:/Users/shuaifu/Documents/WinBUGS14", parameters=c("mu", "d"),
n.chains=3, n.iter=500000, n.burnin=250000, n.thin=10, debug=F)
```


WINBUGS MODELS

First order fractional polynomial

#Winbugs code for second order fractional polynomial

#random effects network meta-analysis model

Model{

for (i in 1:N){ # N number of datapoints in dataset

time is expressed in months and transformed

#according powers of fractional polynomial P1 and P2

time_transf1[i]<-(equals(P1,0)*log(time[i]) + (1-equals(P1,0))*pow(time[i],P1))

likelihood

hazard over interval [t,t+dt] expressed as deaths per person-month

r is deaths in interval, n is number at risk, h is hazard

r[i]~ dbin(p[i],n[i])

```
p[i]<-1-exp(-h[i]*dt[i]) # cumulative hazard over interval [t,t+dt] expressed as deaths per
person-month
# random effects model
# loop over datapoints
# s refers to study, t is intervention t, b is comparator
log(h[i])<-Beta[i,1]+ Beta[i,2]*time_transf1[i]
Beta[i,1]<-mu[s[i],1]+delta[s[i],1]*(1-equals(t[i],b[i]))
Beta[i,2]<-mu[s[i],2]+delta[s[i],2]*(1-equals(t[i],b[i]))
}
# loop over studies
# NS is number of studies
# ts is intervention k, bs is comparator
for(m in 1:NS){
#delta[m,1:3]~dmnorm(md[m,1:3],omega[1:3,1:3])
delta[m,1]<-md[m,1]
delta[m,2]<-md[m,2]
md[m,1]<-d[ts[m],1]-d[bs[m],1]
md[m,2]<-d[ts[m],2]-d[bs[m],2]
}
# priors
# NT is number of treatments
d[1,1]<-0
d[1,2]<-0
for(j in 2:NT){
d[j,1:2] ~ dmnorm(mean[1:2],prec2[,])
}
for(k in 1:NS){
mu[k,1:2] ~ dmnorm(mean[1:2],prec2[,])
```

}

```
#omega[1:3, 1:3] ~ dwish(R[1:3,1:3],3)
```

output SD and correlation based on estimated covariance matrix

```
#sigma.theta[1:3,1:3] <- inverse(omega[1:3,1:3])
```

#rho[1,2] <-sigma.theta[1,2]/sqrt(sigma.theta[1,1]*sigma.theta[2,2])</pre>

#rho[1,3] <-sigma.theta[1,3]/sqrt(sigma.theta[1,1]*sigma.theta[3,3])</pre>

```
#rho[2,3] <-sigma.theta[2,3]/sqrt(sigma.theta[2,2]*sigma.theta[3,3])</pre>
```

#sd[1]<-sqrt(sigma.theta[1,1])</pre>

```
#sd[2]<-sqrt(sigma.theta[2,2])
```

```
#sd[3]<-sqrt(sigma.theta[3,3])</pre>
```

```
# output hazard ratio for month 1 to 60
```

NT is number of treatments, c is reference treatment, k is treatment of interest, I is month

```
#for (c in 1:(NT-1)) {
```

```
#for (j in (c+1):NT) {
```

```
#for (I in 1:60) {
```

```
#t1[c,j,l]<-(equals(P1,0)*log(l) + (1-equals(P1,0))*pow(l,P1))
```

```
\#log(hazard_ratio[c,j,l]) < -d[j,1] - d[c,1] + (d[j,2] - d[c,2]) * t1[c,j,l] + (d[j,3] - d[c,3]) * t2[c,j,l] + (d[j,3]) * t2[c,j,l] + (d[j,3] - d[c,3]) * t2
```

#}}}

}

Second order fractional polynomial

#Winbugs code for second order fractional polynomial

#random effects network meta-analysis model

Model{

for (i in 1:N){ # N number of datapoints in dataset

time is expressed in months and transformed

#according powers of fractional polynomial P1 and P2

time_transf1[i]<-(equals(P1,0)*log(time[i]) + (1-equals(P1,0))*pow(time[i],P1))

```
time\_transf2[i] < -((1-equals(P2,P1))*(equals(P2,0)*log(time[i]) + (1-equals(P2,0))*pow(time[i],P2)) + equals(P2,P1)*(equals(P2,0)*log(time[i])*log(time[i]) + (1-equals(P2,0))*pow(time[i],P2)*log(time[i])))
```

likelihood

hazard over interval [t,t+dt] expressed as deaths per person-month

r is deaths in interval, n is number at risk, h is hazard

r[i]~ dbin(p[i],n[i])

```
p[i] < 1-exp(-h[i]*dt[i]) \# cumulative hazard over interval [t,t+dt] expressed as deaths per person-month
```

random effects model

loop over datapoints

s refers to study, t is intervention t, b is comparator

```
log(h[i])<-Beta[i,1]+ Beta[i,2]*time_transf1[i]+ Beta[i,3]* time_transf2[i]
```

Beta[i,1]<-mu[s[i],1]+delta[s[i],1]*(1-equals(t[i],b[i]))

```
Beta[i,2] <-mu[s[i],2] + delta[s[i],2]^*(1-equals(t[i],b[i]))
```

```
Beta[i,3]<-mu[s[i],3]+delta[s[i],3]*(1-equals(t[i],b[i]))
```

}

loop over studies

NS is number of studies

ts is intervention k, bs is comparator

for(m in 1:NS){

#delta[m,1:3]~dmnorm(md[m,1:3],omega[1:3,1:3])

delta[m,1]<-md[m,1]

delta[m,2]<-md[m,2]

delta[m,3]<-md[m,3]

```
md[m,1]<-d[ts[m],1]-d[bs[m],1]
md[m,2]<-d[ts[m],2]-d[bs[m],2]
md[m,3]<-d[ts[m],3]-d[bs[m],3]
}
# priors
# NT is number of treatments
d[1,1]<-0
d[1,2]<-0
d[1,3]<-0
for(j in 2:NT){
d[j,1:3] ~ dmnorm(mean[1:3],prec2[,])
}
for(k in 1:NS){
mu[k,1:3] ~ dmnorm(mean[1:3],prec2[,])
}
#omega[1:3, 1:3] ~ dwish(R[1:3,1:3],3)
# output SD and correlation based on estimated covariance matrix
#sigma.theta[1:3,1:3] <- inverse(omega[1:3,1:3])
#rho[1,2] <-sigma.theta[1,2]/sqrt(sigma.theta[1,1]*sigma.theta[2,2])</pre>
#rho[1,3] <-sigma.theta[1,3]/sqrt(sigma.theta[1,1]*sigma.theta[3,3])</pre>
#rho[2,3] <-sigma.theta[2,3]/sqrt(sigma.theta[2,2]*sigma.theta[3,3])</pre>
#sd[1]<-sqrt(sigma.theta[1,1])</pre>
#sd[2]<-sqrt(sigma.theta[2,2])
#sd[3]<-sqrt(sigma.theta[3,3])</pre>
# output hazard ratio for month 1 to 60
# NT is number of treatments, c is reference treatment, k is treatment of interest, I is month
#for (c in 1:(NT-1)) {
```

	pD	DIC
P=0	<u>8.2</u>	2131.9
P=1	8.0	2153.6
P=0.5	8.1	2143.6
P=-0.5	7.9	2122.1
P=-1	7.8	2120.0
P=-2	7.5	2128.8
P1=0, P2=0	11.8	2128.0
P1=0.5, P2=0	12.0	2129.6
P1=1, P2=0	11.8	2130.6
P1=-0.5, P2=0	10.9	2126.4
P1=-1, P2=0	11.4	2126.4
P1=-1, P2=-1	11.1	2126.1

Table 47: Additional models tested

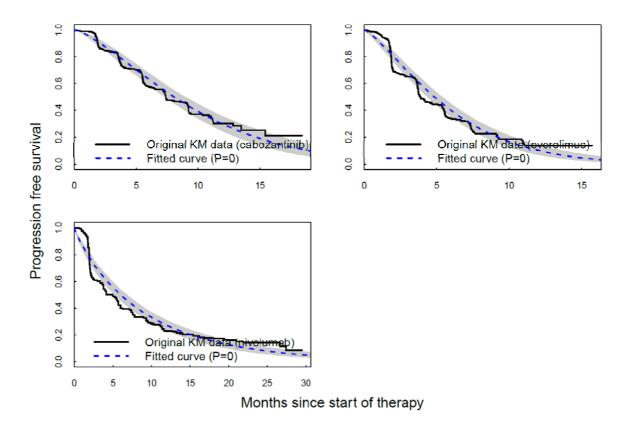


Figure 21. Fitted PFS based on the fractional polynomial model (P=0) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier (KM) data, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals.

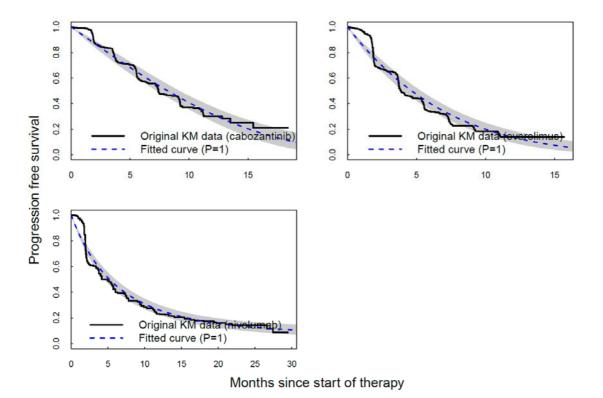


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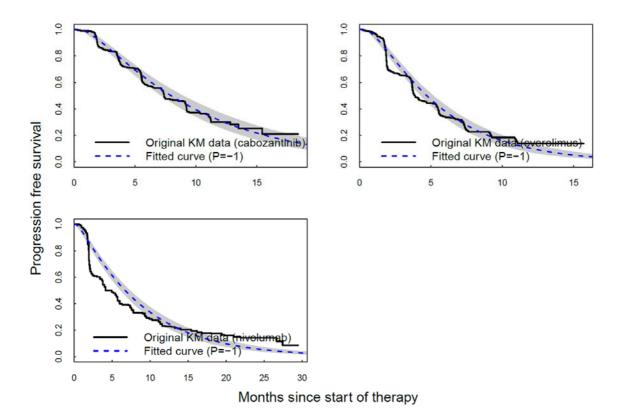
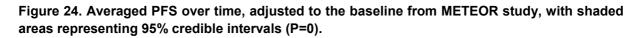


Figure 23. Fitted PFS based on the fractional polynomial model (P=-1) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier (KM) data, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals.



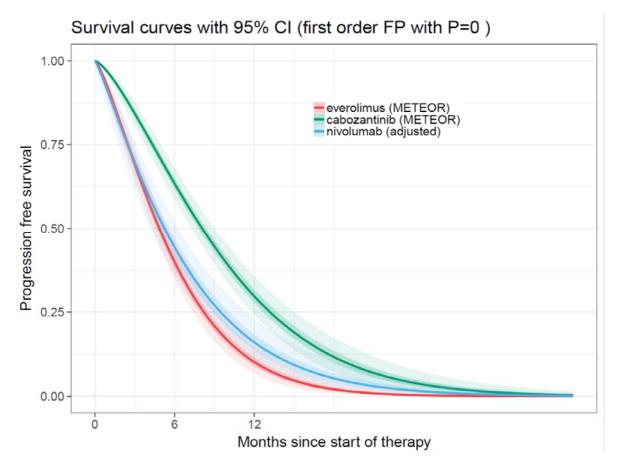
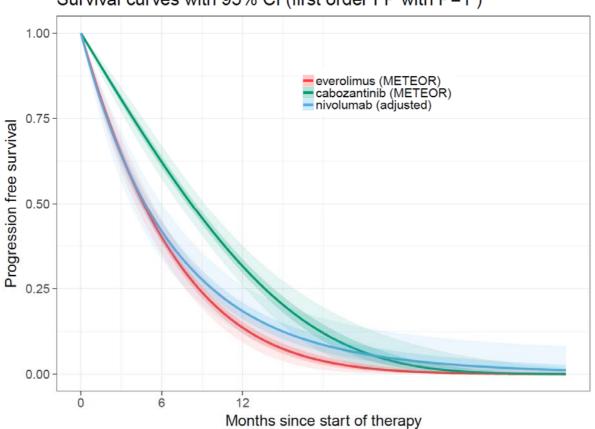
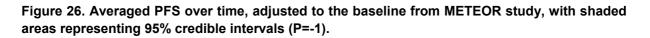
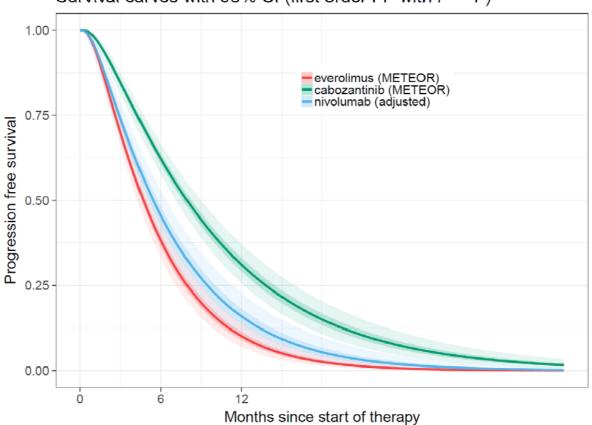


Figure 25. Averaged PFS over time, adjusted to the baseline from METEOR study, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=1).



Survival curves with 95% CI (first order FP with P=1)





Survival curves with 95% CI (first order FP with P=-1)

Figure 27. Averaged PFS over time, adjusted to the baseline from METEOR study, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P1=-1, P2=-1).

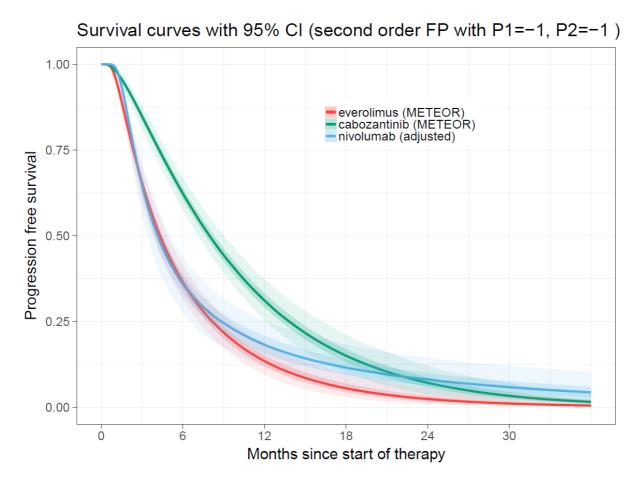
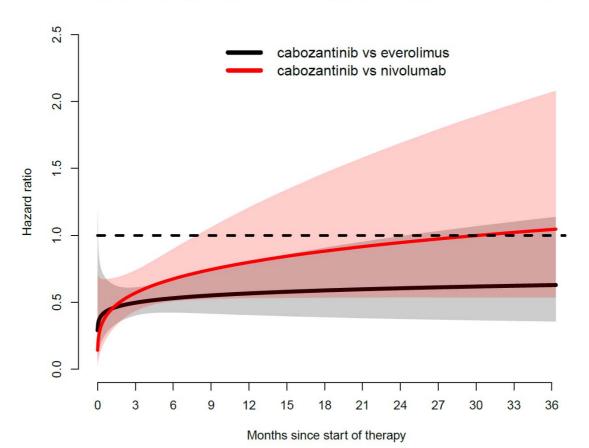
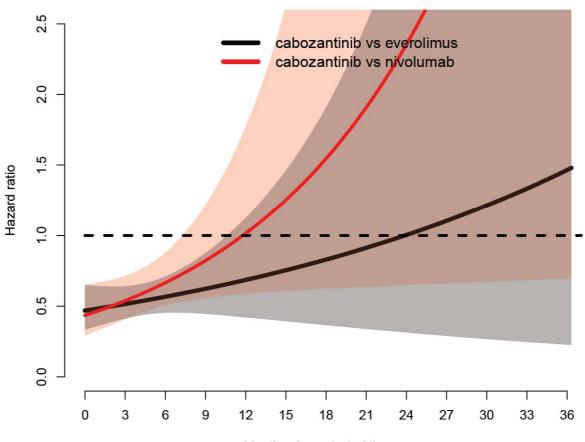


Figure 28. Estimated PFS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=0).



Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for PFS with first order FP (P=0)

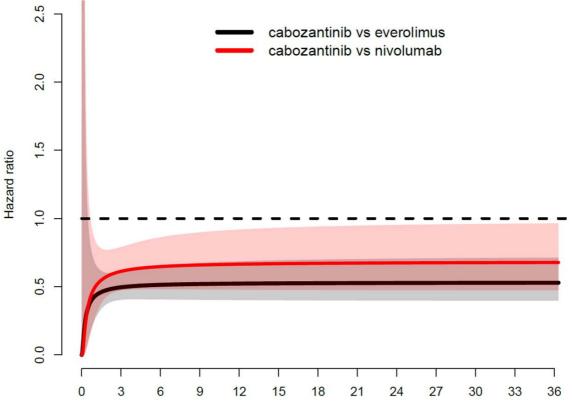
Figure 29. Estimated PFS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=1).



Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for PFS with first order FP (P=1)

Months since start of therapy

Figure 30. Estimated PFS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=-1).

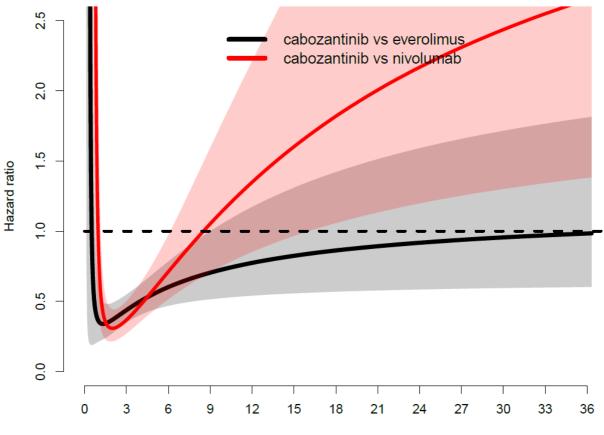


Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for PFS with first order FP (P=-1)

Months since start of therapy

Figure 31. Estimated PFS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P1=-1, P2=-1).





Months since start of therapy

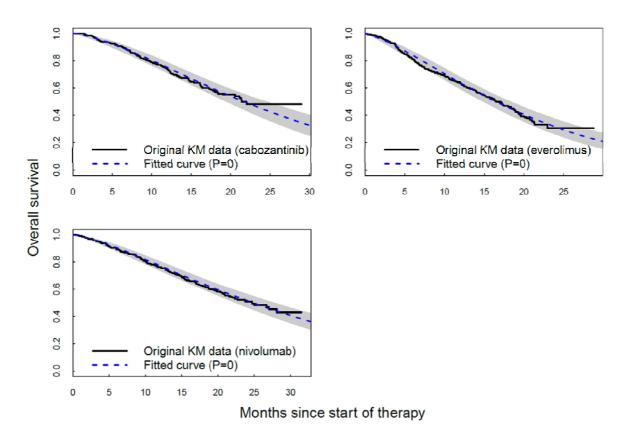


Figure 32. Fitted OS based on the fractional polynomial model (P=0) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier (KM) data, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals.

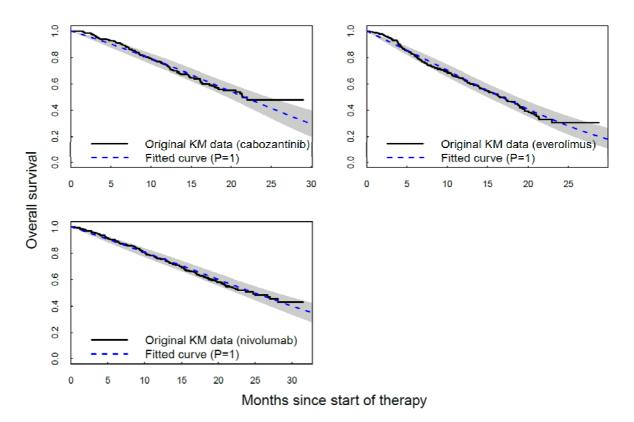


Figure 33. Fitted OS based on the fractional polynomial model (P=1) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier (KM) data, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals.

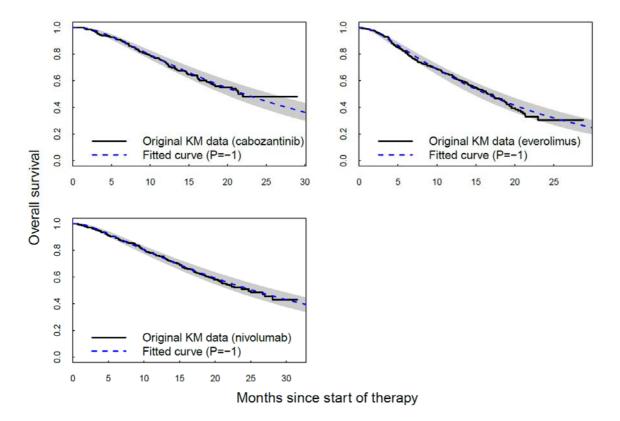
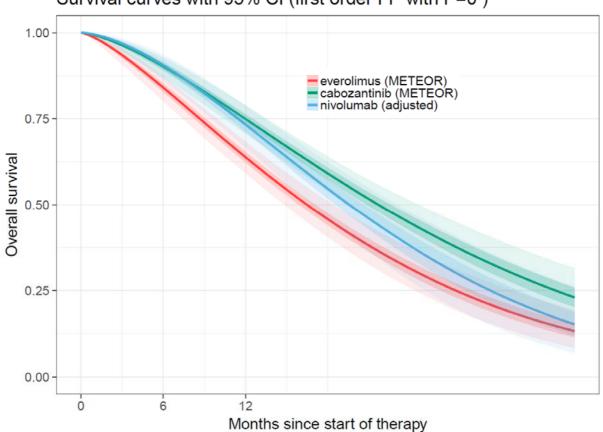


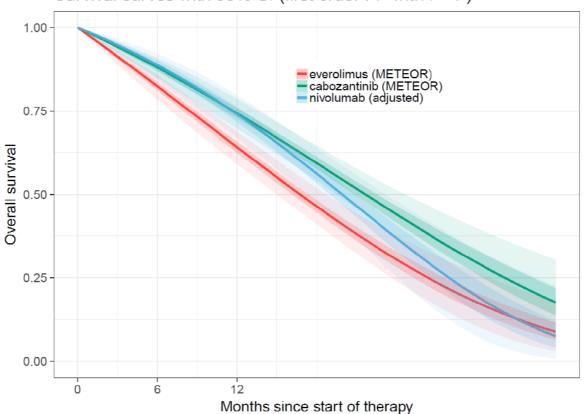
Figure 34. Fitted OS based on the fractional polynomial model (P=-1) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier (KM) data, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals.

Figure 35. Averaged OS over time, adjusted to the baseline from METEOR study, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=0).



Survival curves with 95% CI (first order FP with P=0)

Figure 36. Averaged OS over time, adjusted to the baseline from METEOR study, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=1).



Survival curves with 95% CI (first order FP with P=1)

Figure 37. Averaged OS over time, adjusted to the baseline from METEOR study, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=-1).

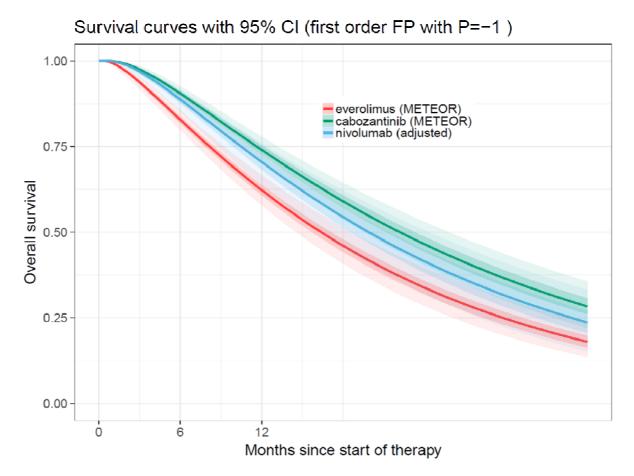


Figure 38. Averaged OS over time, adjusted to the baseline from METEOR study, with shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P1=-1, P2=0).

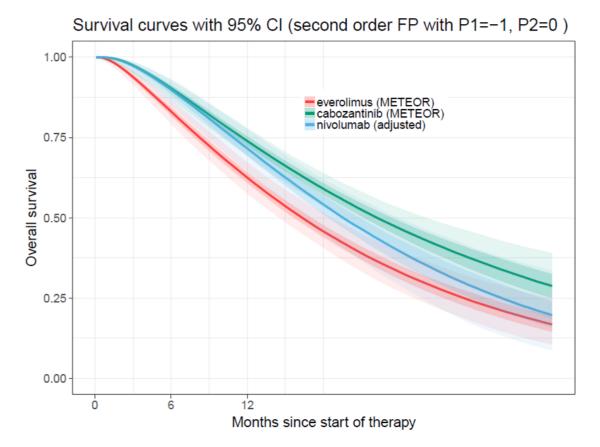
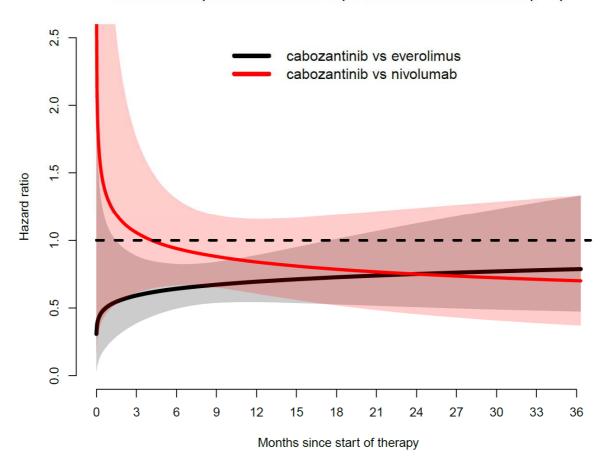
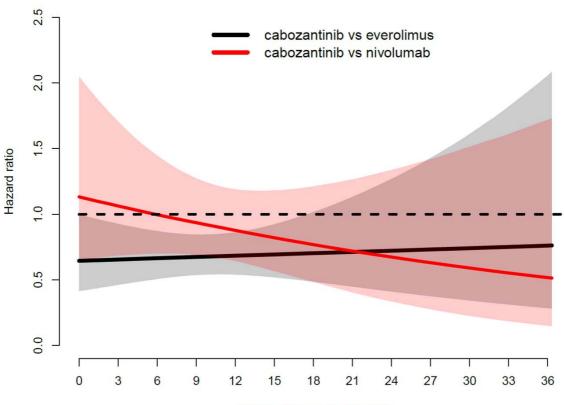


Figure 39. Estimated OS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=0).



Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for OS with first order FP (P=0)

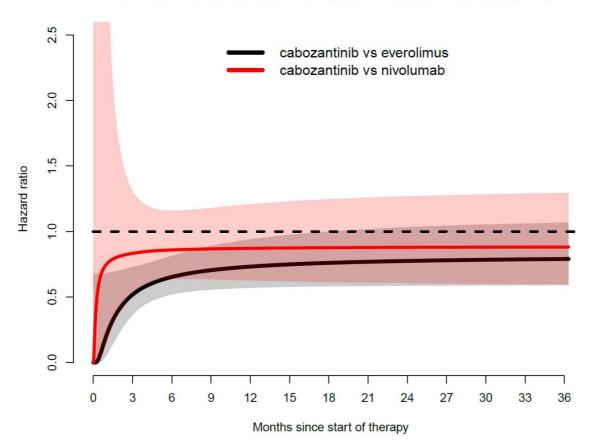
Figure 40. Estimated OS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=1).



Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for OS with first order FP (P=1)

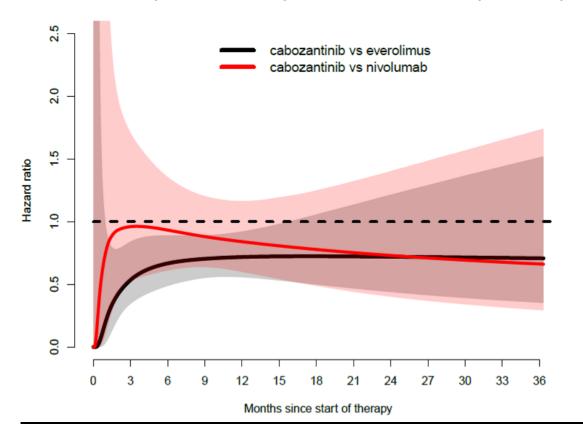
Months since start of therapy

Figure 41. Estimated OS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P=-1).



Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for OS with first order FP (P=-1)

Figure 42. Estimated OS hazard ratios over time, with solid line representing median and shaded areas representing 95% credible intervals (P1=-1, P2=0).



Hazard ratio (median with 95% CI) for OS with second order FP (P1=-1, P2=0)

Appendix 3 – new OS data: ITC results

Out of Weibull, Gompertz, loglogistic, lognormal and exponential models, the loglogistic provides the best statistical fit. Of the fractional polynomial models tested, the best fit continues to be P=-1.

Model fit statistics	Weibull	Gompertz	Log-logistic	Log-normal	Exponential
Residual deviance (Dbar)	2389.4	2414.1	2378.9	2383.2	2434.1
Effective number of parameters (2)	8.2	8.0	7.7	7.7	4.1
Deviance information criteria (DIC)	2381.2	2406.1	2371.2	2375.5	2430.0

 Table 48: Model fit statistics from previously (Ouwens et al. 2010) – OS Oct 2016

Note: The previous NMA method was re-run as a pair-wise comparison of METEOR and CheckMate025 studies in order to make the fit statistics comparable.

Model fit statistics	First order with P=0	First order with P=1	First order with P=-1	Second order with P1=-1, P2=0	Second order with P1=-1, P2=- 1
Residual deviance (Dbar)	2389.4	2414.1	2374.3	2382.8	2381.5
Effective number of parameters (20)	8.2	8.0	7.8	10.9	10.3
Deviance information criteria (DIC)	2381.2	2406.1	2366.5	2371.9	2371.2

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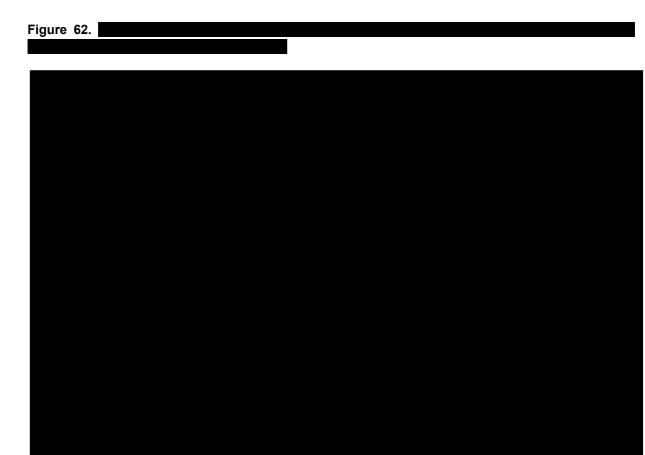
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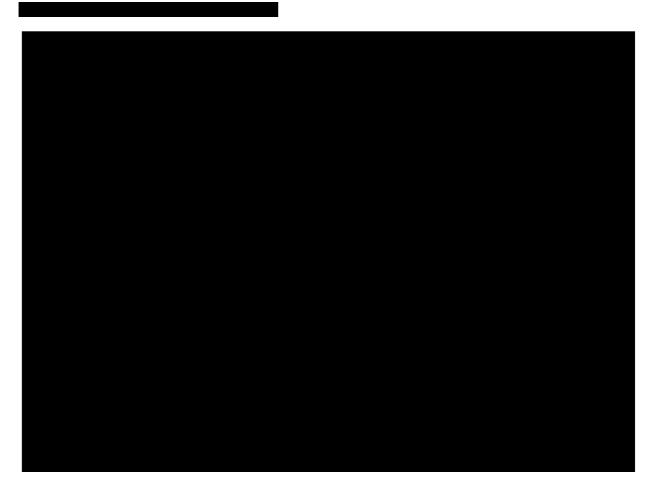


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Appendix 4 –new OS data: CE model results

Drug Total costs	Total	Total	Total life- years	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus
	costs	QALYs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							

Table 50: Fractional polynomial model; cabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

 Table 51: Fractional polynomial model; cabozantinib versus comparator – with

 cabozantinib PAS,

 cabozantinib PAS,

Drug	Total	Total Total	Total life- years	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus
	costs	QALYs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							37,768
Everolimus							64,652
Nivolumab							Dominant

 Table 52: Fractional polynomial model; cabozantinib versus comparator – with

 cabozantinib PAS,

 cabozantinib PAS,

Drug	Total Total	Total	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus	
	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							46,424
Everolimus							69,546
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 53: Fractional polynomial model; cabozantinib versus comparator – with					
cabozantinib PAS, see compa	rator PAS				

Drug	Total Total	Total	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus	
	costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							55,080
Everolimus							74,440
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 54: OS Loglogistic, PFS lognormal model; cabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

	Tota	Total	Total	Incremental ve	ntinib	ICER versus	
Drug	Total costs	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							

Note: For the new OS data loglogistic (not lognormal) provided the best statistical fit

Table 55: : OS Loglogistic, PFS lognormal model; cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, and comparator PAS

Drug Total costs	Total Total	Total life- years	Incrementa	al versus cabo	ozantinib	ICER versus	
	QALYs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							48,742
Everolimus							63,862
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 56: : OS Loglogistic, PFS lognormal model; cabozantinib versus comparator – with cabozantinib PAS, cabozantinib PAS,

Drug Total Total Costs QALYs	Total	Total Total	Total	Increment	al versus cab	ozantinib	ICER versus
	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)		
Cabozantinib							=
Axitinib							55,581
Everolimus							68,664
Nivolumab							Dominant

 Table 57: : OS Loglogistic, PFS lognormal model; cabozantinib versus comparator – with

 cabozantinib PAS,

 cabozantinib PAS,

Drug Total Total costs QALYs	Total	Total Total	Total	Increment	al versus cabo	ozantinib	ICER versus
	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)		
Cabozantinib							<u>-</u>
Axitinib							62,419
Everolimus							73,466
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 58: Hybrid model (best fitting FP for trial duration, loglogistic for extrapolation);cabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

Drug	Total	Total Total	Total	Increment	al versus cabo	ozantinib	ICER versus
	QALYs	life-	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							

 Table 59: Hybrid model (best fitting FP for trial duration, loglogistic for extrapolation);

 cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, comparator PAS

	Total Costs Collya life-	Total		Incremental ve	ntinib	ICER versus	
Drug		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)		
Cabozantinib							<u>-</u>
Axitinib							30,954
Everolimus							59,650
Nivolumab							Dominant

 Table 60: Hybrid model (best fitting FP for trial duration, loglogistic for extrapolation);

 cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, comparator PAS

Drug Total costs	Total Total	Total	Incrementa	al versus cabo	ICER versus		
		QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							<u>-</u>
Axitinib							39,425
Everolimus							64,097
Nivolumab							Dominant

 Table 61: Hybrid model (best fitting FP for trial duration, loglogistic for extrapolation);

 cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, comparator PAS

Drug Total Total costs QALYs	Total	Total Total	Total	Increment	al versus cal	ICER versus	
	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)		
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							47,896
Everolimus							68,545
Nivolumab							Dominant

Drug Total costs		Total	Total	Incremental ve	ersus caboza	ntinib	ICER versus
	QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							

Table 62: FP OS & lognormal PFS; cabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

 Table 63: FP OS & lognormal PFS; cabozantinib versus comparator - with

 cabozantinib PAS,

 cabozantinib PAS,

	Total Total Iife- years		Incrementa	al versus cabo	ozantinib	ICER versus	
Drug		_	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							47,975
Everolimus							62,991
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 64: FP OS & lognormal PFS; cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, cabozantinib PAS,

	Total	Total Total	Total	Incremen	tal versus ca	bozantinib	ICER versus
Drug	costs QALYs	life- years	Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							=
Axitinib							54,764
Everolimus							67,758
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 65: FP OS & lognormal PFS; cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, cabozantinib PAS,

	Total Total Iife- costs QALYs years	Total	Incrementa	al versus cabo	ozantinib	ICER versus	
Drug		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)		
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							61,553
Everolimus							72,525
Nivolumab							Dominant

Table 66: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality, lognormal for PFS, best fitting fractional polynomial model for OS; cabozantinib versus comparator - without PAS

	Total costs	Total QALYs	Total life- years	Incremental ve	ICER versus		
Drug				Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							

 Table 67: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality, lognormal for PFS, best fitting fractional polynomial model for OS; cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS,

 comparator PAS

	Total	Total	life-	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus
Drug	costs	QALYs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	- cabozantinib (QALYs)
Cabozantinib							2
Axitinib							47,975
Everolimus							62,991
Nivolumab							Dominant

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 Table 68: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality, lognormal for PFS, best fitting fractional polynomial model for OS; cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS, comparator PAS

	Total	Total Total life-	Total	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus
Drug	costs		Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)			
Cabozantinib							<u>-</u>
Axitinib							54,764
Everolimus							67,758
Nivolumab							Dominant

 Table 69: Nivolumab 50% general pop mortality, lognormal for PFS, best fitting fractional polynomial model for OS; cabozantinib versus comparator - with cabozantinib PAS,

 comparator PAS

	Total	Total life-	Total	Incremental versus cabozantinib			ICER versus
Drug	costs		Costs	QALYs	Life years	cabozantinib (QALYs)	
Cabozantinib							-
Axitinib							61,553
Everolimus							72,525
Nivolumab							Dominant

Appendix 5 – Search protocol for systematic literature review on utility decrements

Objectives

A systematic literature search was conducted to identify health state utility values in respect of advanced RCC.

Methods

Score of review

An overview of the scope of the review is shown in Table 70formulated in accordance with PICOS scheme which includes population (P), intervention (I), comparator (C), outcomes (O), study design (S) and further details.

 Table 70: Scope of literature review for health state utility values

Category	Details
Population	Renal cell cancer (advanced / metastatic, previously treated)
Interventions	No restriction
Comparators	No restriction
Outcomes	EQ-5D utilities, utilities derived from generic preference-based instruments such as the SF-36, SF-12, SF-6D, HUI2 or HUI3, health related quality of life instruments
Study Design	No restriction

Table 71: Further parameters and restrictions

Timeframe of Search 2006-2016¹

¹ The timeframe of the search was restricted from 2006-2016, because in the HTA report published by the Peninsula Technology Assessment Group (PenTAG) in 2008, they did not identify publications with relevant information before 2006:

(\rightarrow see respective PenTAG report:

• Thompson Coon J, Hoyle M, Green C, Liu Z, Welch K, Moxham T, Stein K, Peninsula Technology Assessment Group (PenTAG). Bevacizumab, sorafenib tosylate, sunitinib and temsirolimus for renal cell carcinoma: A systematic review and economic evaluation [Internet]. 2008 May [cited 2016 Jun 28]. Available from: https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/TA178/documents/renal-cell-carcinoma-sunitinib-assessment-report2

Language	No language restriction
Other restrictions	Exclusion of mere animal studies

Table 72: Bibliografic database searched

Databases	Date of Search
Medline (includes Medline in Process and other non-indexed citations with status: publisher, in-data review or Pubmed-not-Medline)	Jul 6, 2016
Embase	Jul 6, 2016
NHS Economic Evaluation Database, HTA Database	Jul 6, 2016

Literature search

A search protocol has been developed documenting search strategy, search parametars such as search terms and data sources and results per database.

Search strategy per database

Database	Medline (includes Medline in Process and other non-indexed citations publisher, in-data review or Pubmed-not-Medline)	s (with status:
2016]	latform: DIMDI Classic SearchDate of search: July 6, 2016 [Last Database ge searched: 1966-2016, restricted to 2006-2016 in the last step	Update:July 6,
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• Thompson Coon J, Hoyle M, Green C, Liu Z, Welch K, Moxham T, et al. Bevacizumab, sorafenib tosylate and sunitinib for renal cell carcinoma: a systematic review and economic evaluation. Health Technol Assess 2010;14(2) Available from: http://www.journalslibrary.nihr.ac.uk/hta/volume-14/issue-2)

2	CT=CARCINOMA, RENAL CELL	25533
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6	KIDNEY # # (CARCINOMA#; ADENOCARCINOMA#; CANCER#; NEOPLASM#;TUMO#R#; MALIGNANC###)/(TI; AB; UT)	7520
7	(CARCINOMA#; ADENOCARCINOMA#; CANCER#; NEOPLASM#; TUMO#R#; MALIGNANC###) # # KIDNEY/(TI; AB; UT)	5103
8	(HYPERNEPHROMA# OR NEPHROID CARCINOMA# OR HYPERNEPHROID CARCINOMA# OR GRAWITZ TUMO#R)/(TI; AB; UT)	1108
9	RCC/(TI; AB; UT) OR MRCC/(TI; AB; UT)	11421
10	2 TO 9	75393
11	CT=QUALITY OF LIFE	137226
12	CT=VALUE OF LIFE	5493
13	CT D HEALTH STATUS	118425
14	CT D HEALTH STATUS INDICATORS	221370
15	CT=QUALITY-ADJUSTED LIFE YEARS	8320
16	CT=ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING	54077
17	CT=SURVEYS AND QUESTIONNAIRES	342916
18	CT=HEALTH SURVEYS	50940
19	CT=SELF REPORT	14313
20	CT=PSYCHOMETRICS	59420
21	CT=KIDNEY NEOPLASMS/QF=PSYCHOLOGY OR CT=RENAL CELL CARCINOMA NEOPLASMS/QF=PSYCHOLOGY	102
22	QUALITY OF LIFE/(TI; AB; UT)	189486
23	LIFE QUALITY/(TI; AB; UT)	4611

24	QUALITY ADJUSTED LIFE/(TI; AB; UT)	8320
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Cochrane Library (NHSEED, HTA Database)

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In addition, NICE website was searched for evidence review group reports, manufacturer submissions and other relevant documents for second-line mRCC.

Results

Overview of the results

Database	Number of Findings
Medline	1085
Embase	3000
Cochrane Library	93
Total (including duplicates)	4178
Total (excluding 571 duplicates)	3607

Results per database

Medline (includes Medline in Process and other non-indexed citations (with status: publisher, in-data review or Pubmed-not-Medline)

Short description	Position in Search Protocol	No. of findings
RENAL CELL CANCER		75393
AND HEALTH STATE UTILITIES	55	1605
NOT (ANIMALS NOT HUMANS)	56	1595
AND PY>=2006	57	1085

Embase

Short description	Position in Search Protocol	No. of findings
RENAL CELL CANCER	#6	109630
AND HEALTH STATE UTILITIES	#51	3628
NOT (ANIMALS NOT HUMANS)	#52	3607
AND PY>=2006	#53	3000

Cochrane Library (NHSEED, HTA Database)

Short description	Position in Search Protocol	No. of findings
RENAL CELL CANCER	#6	1867
RESTRICTION OF HITS TO NHSEED, HTA-DATABASE	#7	116
AND PY>=2006	#8	93

Study selection

During the systematic review of abstracts and full-text articles following in- and exclusion criteria were applied in Table 73, Data was extracted into the summary tables by a single reviewer. Uncertainties were resolved following discussion with a second reviewer.

Table 73: In- and exclusion criteria

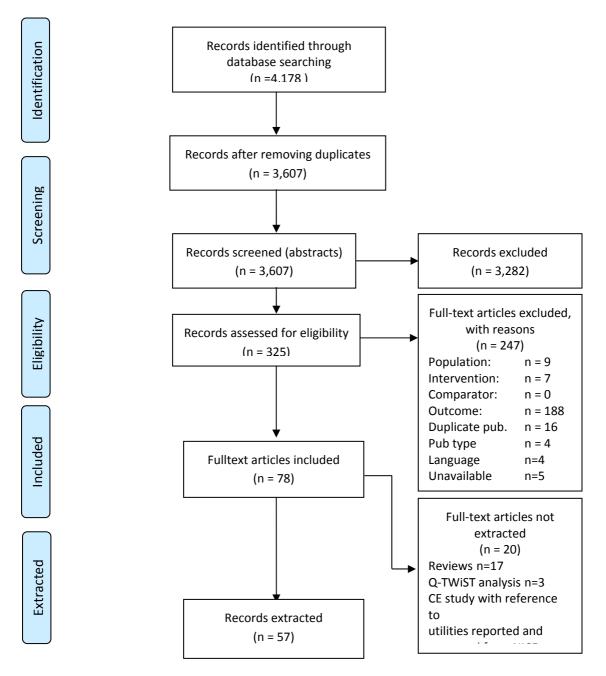
Criteria	Code	Include	Exclude
Population	11	Adult patients with RCC	Paediatric population and other indications
Intervention	12	Any (excluded interventions such as surgery, ablation and non - pharmacological therapy, included BSC treatment)	-
Comparator	13	'Any (excluded interventions such as surgery, ablation and non - pharmacological therapy, included BSC treatment)	-
Outcomes	14	 HRQoL outcomes: EQ-5D utilities. Utilities derived from generic preference-based instruments such as the SF-36, SF-12, SF-6D, HUI2 or HUI3. Utilities derived using mapping algorithms. Mapping algorithms. 	Other outcomes
Study type	15	Clinical and observational studies, Economic evaluations, utility analysis, Systematic reviews, meta-analysis, HTA reports (No restrictions, with exception of case reports and case series - they will be excluded)	-
Language	16	No restrictions. English, German, French, Spanis and Italian (publications in other languages will be listed, and only abstracts in English included)	-

Publication type	17	Full-text publications, conference proceedings -
Duplicate	E1	Duplicate (including previouse cersions of updated Cohrane reviews; multiple conference abstract/publication on the same study with no additional results)

Results

Study flow chart

In total, 4,178 papers were identified through the electronic searches. Upon removal of 613 duplicates, 3,607 abstracts were reviewed. Of these, 3,282 were excluded leaving 325 citations for the next screening stage. Out of the 325 full-text publications, there were 78 included in this review.



Identified studies

In total 78 studies were included.Evidence was extracted from N=57 publications (including HTA reports, cost-effectiveness/utility studies; clinical and observational trials). There were N=17 reviews , N=3 studies were Q-TWiST analysis (being more methodological papers and actually survival analysis). For the potential future use these studies were included and marked in comment cells in the sheet, however evidence was not extracted form them. One cost-effectiveness analysis was included, butas the utility information references data already extracted under NICE TA178, this cost-effectiveness analysis was only listed.

Data extraction

Relevant data from full-text articles and conference abstracts were extracted into an Excel spreadsheet. Three key technology assessment at NICE: everolimus, Axitinib and Nivolumab for advanced and/or metastatisc RCC were extracted in a separate Excel sheet.

Appendix 6 – Cost acceptability



Figure 74:

Figure 75:

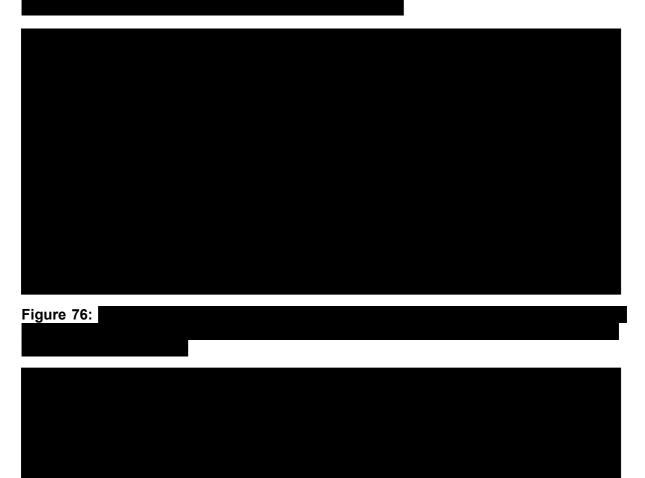


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Response to the Appraisal Consultation Document: Cabozantinib for previously treated advanced renal cell carcinoma [ID931]

Kidney Cancer Support Network Statement

The NICE technology appraisal committee have not recommended cabozantinib for use within its marketing authorisation for the treatment of advanced renal cell carcinoma (RCC) in adults after vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF)-targeted therapy. This is despite cabozantinib's proven effectiveness at prolonging the life of kidney cancer patients by 4.9 months compared to everolimus in the METEOR trial, and impressive progression-free survival benefit in patients with spread to their bones, reducing the risk of death by 46% compared with everolimus in patients with bone metastases.

The Kidney Cancer Support Network's response to the cabozantinib ACD has been informed by the views of advanced kidney cancer patients who are taking cabozantinib as part of a clinical trial or through a Managed Access Programme in the UK.

1. Innovative, breakthrough therapy

Cabozantinib has been proven to be a clinically effective and well-tolerated drug, and **designated a 'promising innovative medicine' for advanced RCC by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency** (MHRA) last year. Also, cabozantinib was **designated a breakthrough therapy by the FDA for the treatment of advanced RCC** in 2015. As an innovative, breakthrough therapy, cabozantinib has been fast tracked for approval in a number of countries, and has been made available in the UK through a Managed Access Programme by the manufacturer.

Cabozantinib is the first tyrosine kinase inhibitor to act on multiple tyrosine kinase receptors, including c-MET, VEGF2, AXL and RET. Its c-MET activity may explain its effectiveness against bone metastases, since MET appears to be an important growth factor in the bone microenvironment. The following statement from the husband of a patient highlights the importance to patients of cabozantinib's efficacy against bone metastases:

".....CT and MRI results yesterday gave excellent news confirming her 10-off [sic] spinal bone Mets being reported stable. This is a great result having halted the disease given she only recently commenced her Cabozantinib treatment on 23/11/16; at a time when the bone progression appeared aggressive, i.e. with 3 lytic bone Mets being reported by CT scan on 21/10/16 increasing to 10 Mets reported from an MRI scan on 19/12/16.

"...... the immediate issue was rapidly developing bone mets (i.e. crocodiles nearest the boat, so to speak). Since Cabo was the only 'available' agent that has a pathway able to specially target bone Mets, then this became OUR first choice Note: we had overturned the originally advised preference ranking order for Axitinib, Nivolumab and lastly Cabozantinib."

It seems that cabozantinib may be particularly effective for treating patients with bone metastases. Bearing this in mind, if the committee is minded not to approve cabozantinib, the **Kidney Cancer Support Network urge NICE** to reconsider cabozantinib for the Cancer Drugs Fund (CDF) while further survival data are collected from the cohort of patients with bone metastases to provide further evidence to support this effect in advanced RCC patients. With around 5,000 patients diagnosed with advanced RCC per year, this disease is designated a rare cancer. This should be considered when setting time limits for the collection of survival data, and the 24-

month period, as specified in the CDF SOP for collection of addition evidence to support this observation, should to be extended for the small population of patients who have spread to their bones.

Cabozantinib is already available in North America and Europe for advanced RCC. Currently, UK cancer survival rates trail about 10 years behind other comparable European countries, including Italy and Austria. If the UK is to improve patient outcomes, including the patient experience as well as overall survival, it is vital that innovative new drugs are made available to patients in order that they have the best possible care. If these drugs are not made available, it leaves UK patients at a major disadvantage in terms of the availability of innovative cancer treatments; these patients are likely to die prematurely compared to other kidney cancer patients in the rest of Europe and North America. A contributory factor to poor survival rates in the UK is possibly due to the restrictions in clinical choice brought about by UK regulatory authorities.

The committee's decision to not recommend cabozantinib for advanced RCC patients after failure of prior systemic therapy denies terminally ill kidney cancer patients access to innovative and effective treatment within NHS England, despite the drug being available for kidney cancer patients living in other European countries. This is confusing for the patient community because the committee has acknowledged the fact that cabozantinib is effective, but recommends the drug as not a good use of NHS England resources. The committee does not attempt to explain how they reconcile these two positions to those affected by their decision.

Nowadays, kidney cancer patients do not exist in silos. They communicate widely; international discussion forums exist where patients talk to one another daily. An international coalition of patient organisations (www.ikcc.org) currently has 23 member countries. Patients and clinicians are right to expect NICE and the pharmaceutical industry to find a way to bring new and innovative treatments to kidney cancer patients in England, so they have the same choices as patients in other countries. The following statements are from a patient and the wife of a patient with a bone metastasis, and demonstrates how well informed advanced RCC patients are:

"Three years after a nephrectomy for RCC, I became aware of bone pain in my femur, which subsequently broke due to a single site metastasis that had become so large there was very little bone remaining. Following surgery, in December 2014 I was started on Sunitinib. At that time I had no other mets, and that is still the case, so Sunitinib has been successful in preventing spread, however, it has had no measurable impact in reducing the bone met, over 2 years later. Sunitinib, like the other currently approved drugs is not greatly effective on bone mets. However Cabozantinib has clear data demonstrating that it can be highly effective in shrinking and removing altogether bone metastases. For me, that could mean achieving NED, which result in a big saving in no requiring further expensive treatment [sic].

"This is the only drug currently available that is so effective on bone mets and therefore for patients like myself it is essential that this drug is approved for use at least in the second line setting to offer real hope to patients with bone metastases. I would therefore urge NICE to approve this new drug as soon as possible"

"My husband has run out of options for surgery on his maxilla area without it compromising his eye. His other secondaries are kept under control and after nearly 7 years he is stable. He needs a drug, which works on bone metastases as none of the current drugs appear to have any measurable success and sadly kidney cancer often goes to hips and spine as well as other areas."

2. Safety, tolerability and quality of life

The METEOR trial confirms that adverse events with cabozantinib are as expected for a VEGF receptor inhibitor for the treatment of advanced RCC. The proportion of patients reporting an adverse event was similar for cabozantinib and everolimus, the most common adverse events for cabozantinib being diarrhoea, fatigue and nausea. Clinicians and patients have a number of years of experience dealing with VEGF receptor inhibitor adverse events, and consider the benefits of improved overall survival and effectiveness against bone metastases outweigh the inconvenience of adverse events. As for other VEGF receptor inhibitors, such as sunitinib and pazopanib, adverse events are managed by dose reductions or 'drug holidays', and patients are prepared to accept this inconvenience for the benefits the drug provides:

"Just been to see you [sic] oncologist, cabos not been very kind sore mouth peeling hands and high blood pressure decided to give me a two week break bit disappointed but it's a new drug I probably know more than they do they follow the drug advice and play it by ear starting again on January 1st on 40 mg down from 60 heres [sic] hoping the side effects wear off quickly and I can enjoy my turkey." "This is an update on cabozantnib [sic] after the first month on 40mg the side effects are better with the reduced dose the worst seems to be the sore mouth and loss of taste although I have a number of cures nothing gets rid of it completely I also got unexplained muscle pain and a need to sleep at least twice a day I have not had full diarrhoea something in between. I am glad to say this is all wearing off for now and I am starting to feel good again so to sum up nothing terrible has happened and I have coped the real test will be when I have a scan and we find out how successful it has been".

The following statement is from the husband of a patient taking cabozantinib, and highlights the proactivity of patients when managing side effects. This patient has been taking cabozantinib for nearly 3 months and now has stable disease:

"As regards side effects, these were getting too tough last week and coincidentally combined with a urinary tract infection, prompting antibiotics and an unscheduled intermission in her Cabo treatment. Planing [sic] to resume Cabo this Saturday but shall need to keep the proactive drinking and exercise regime to alleviate toxicity effects and fatigue. Diarrhoea has been problem but treated with Imodium and codiene."

From the evidence we have gathered from the advanced RCC patients from the Kidney Cancer Support Network currently taking cabozantinib through the Managed Access Programme, this drug offers hope and an alternative effective treatment to patients who have failed on previous VEGF receptor inhibitors, and who have spread to their bones:

"Just finished first week on cabo and to be honest I cant believe how well it has gone I started to feel better almost immediately and it has carried on the pain in my back has reduced and my mobility improved so far few problems very sore mouth slight blood pressure and diabetes variations but otherwise ok I can't believe it if this carries on it could be the wonder drug were all hoping for. 2nd week on cabo not as good as first side effects started Monday sore mouth is worst got gelclair difflam but there [sic] not very effective at the moment and fatigue its messed my sleep patterns up but I suppose side effects must mean its working just trying to keep positive.

"I have now had the official report on my scan tumour in my lung which was 2cm is now 1cm and although it is difficult to see because of the metalwork on my spine it is stable this is great news. Because bone doesn't regenerate itself stability is something as far as cabozantnib [sic] its self it has been challenging sore mouth peeling hands dioreaha [sic] and muscle pain and fatigue my oncologist had been to a presentation by the drug company at which they made light of the side effects but she stated that all patients taking the drug were finding it challenging however when you find it is working then it is all worthwhile. I am on a 2 week break which may be necessary to tolerate as with sutent and also further reduction to 20mg as you can imagine I am delighted and it is another weapon in the armoury something to give hope to all."

"I [am] on Cabozantinib but have only had 4 weeks on it (with a week's gap in between as I had some radiotherapy)...... the doctor I saw noticed that a visible lump on my jaw (on the muscle) which I had been told, after a biopsy, was down to the kidney cancer, had gone down quite a bit. Obviously this doesn't mean much overall but he did say that they've found when the Cabozantinib works, it works quite quickly so it looks like a positive sign at least.... So far the side-effects have been quite manageable but I don't know how it will be after a few weeks without a break. I have some bone mets..... I previously had 18 months on Everolimus, which suddenly stopped working, then a few weeks on Nivolumab, which the doctors felt was enough to show it wouldn't work for me so I'm not sure what the alternative would have been."

3. Choice of treatment and unmet need at third line

In the absence of biomarkers for the treatment of RCC, clinicians are not able to predict which patients will respond to which drug, and drug selection is accomplished by trial and error. Clinicians should have the ability to choose the most effective treatments for individual patients from those available, and **without cabozantinib**, the **clinician's choice of treatment is seriously compromised**. Without treatment alternatives in the second- and third-line, most patients will face disease progression. A choice of treatment is paramount for the effective management of the progression of this disease and maintenance of quality of life:

"Whilst I have not had direct experience of taking Cabozantinib as I am still responding to Pazopanib, I have read both the clinical trial reports and real world patient experience. I believe that this would form a

useful addition to the portfolio of drugs available to clinicians and will be especially useful for those patients with bone metastasis. The addition of more potential drugs would introduce more competitive pricing between suppliers."

Current second-line treatment options are not effective for everyone, and can be difficult to access. Undue restrictions in accessing cabozantinib would simply add unnecessary additional burden to patients with a terminal diagnosis. Having more choice in the second- and third-line setting would enable patients and oncologists to individualise treatment plans according to specific disease/treatment history and contraindications, thereby enabling the best possible quality of life for the patient. Cabozantinib will also address the massive unmet need for treatment options in the third-line.

The following statements are from a patient carer and two patients talking about the importance of having choice of treatment in the second- and third-line setting:

"Another important consideration to factor is that some drugs can work better later in the cycle of this disease, what I mean is - research supports Nivo tends to be more effective when your cancer is more mutated, so had we chose [sic] this option now (possibly too early) then it may have not worked and we could have lost a valuable treatment option needed later."

"I have used sutent, pazopanib and now axitinib for almost five years. When Axitinib is done, I want to be able to turn to Cabozantinib as I have a bone met. Please give me the choice."

"In response to cazantinib [sic] not being approved by NICE, this is a drug that had been mentioned to me as a next step to help keep my kidney cancer at bay, it could give me valuable extra time with my two young daughters aged 4 & 2 years old. Without this medication my girls could lose their mummy too soon & they don't deserve that. This could help so many people live longer, everybody is worthy of that chance. Please think again."

Choice of treatment is also important when it comes to drug combinations. Cabozantinib is already being tested in combination with immunotherapy in the USA, and could prove to be a formidable treatment regimen, if successful. The following are some thoughts of a patient carer on the subject of drug combinations:

"...... it could open opportunities to be within the mix of combination, e.g. it could be beneficially combined with Nivolumab and Iplimumab [sic] to improve the chance of a complete response. I believe this specific combination is being trialled in USA now."

4. Cost effectiveness

We are disappointed that **yet again another drug for advanced RCC has been declined on the basis of the use of an unsuitable health economic assessment for small patient groups (a rare cancer):** Incremental Cost Effectiveness Ratio (ICER) per Quality Adjusted Life Year (QALY) is used in assessment of cost effectiveness for all cancer drugs and is based on a threshold of an ICER per QALY of £30,000, set in 1999 (although recently a threshold of £50,000 has been quoted for life-extending drugs). These assessments have time and again been shown to be unfair to many rare cancer patient groups, denying these patients access to lifeprolonging treatments during a desperately difficult time for both themselves and their families.

We understand that cabozantinib is expensive, and we appreciate the budgetary implications, but nonetheless NICE and the manufacturers must negotiate and find a way to make this new and innovative drug available to the patients who need it; failure to do so would be seen as failure of professional competence. NICE and the manufacturer need to think outside the box to agree an alternative funding scheme, and work collaboratively to negotiate an acceptable patient access scheme to ensure kidney cancer patients who need it can have access to this latest clinically effective drug.

"My dad's consultant has suggested that should nivolumab stop working then this would be the next step. He specifically mentioned that Cabozantinib was more effective on bone mets than other lines of treatment, which we took as a positive since dad has mets on his spine. If this wasn't an option I think we'd be at the end of the line as dad has had IL2, sutent and axitinib prior to nivolumab. It really would be a matter of life and death and to know that there is something there that could extend life but wasn't available would be heart breaking. I know there has to be assessments around cost versus impact, but given dad's history it might have been felt that nivolumab wouldn't work when it has - he's been on it for almost a year now. Some weren't as lucky as dad and missed nivolumab. I'd hate to see this happen again."

5. Effect of NICE's decision on UK clinical research

We are concerned that NICE's decision not to recommend cabozantinib may negatively impact the clinical research environment in the UK. Patients who participated in UK clinical trials did so in the expectation that their data would enable other patients in the UK to benefit from this drug. If the government and the pharmaceutical industry cannot agree a price that allows the use of cabozantinib on the NHS in England, we must question whether patients will continue to support future research by taking part in clinical trials.

Also, it is questionable whether patients and the public will continue to donate to charities, such as Cancer Research UK, to enable other patients to benefit from new, innovative and clinically effective drugs if NICE fail to allow these drugs to get to the patients who need them. A rejection of cabozantinib will mean that a substantial number of late stage kidney cancer patients will be denied the opportunity to benefit from a new, innovative and clinically effective drug.

Thank you for allowing the Kidney Cancer Support Network to take part in this single technology appraisal. We welcome the opportunity to put forward the views of our Kidney Cancer Support Network patient community for this important health technology appraisal of cabozantinib in advanced renal cell carcinoma.

Best regards

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Kidney Cancer UK response to the cabozantinib ACD

Kidney Cancer UK are currently very disappointed that it appears NICE are unlikely to recommend cabozantinib as an alternate second line treatment for kidney cancer. The clinical trial METEOR appeared very successful with a significant extension on the overall survival and progression free survival over everolimus. This extension of life can be invaluable for people spending precious time with their loved ones. For some people the extension of life can continue long term and the cancer can be classed as a chronic rather than a life limiting disease.

Kidney cancer UK have direct contact with people who have received cabozantinib as a treatment for advanced kidney cancer. Dave Chessum a kidney cancer patient kindly shared his experience with cabozantinib with Kidney Cancer UK in order to help others going through similar experiences. A copy of this video can be viewed on our YouTube channel. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9asTUb1CZRU</u>

His experience describes his kidney cancer returning 4 years after his original nephrectomy. The past 4 years he has been receiving systemic drug treatments to reduce the growth of his tumour. Initially he was on everolimus and then axitinib. Both of which gave him fairly severe side effects such as sore mouth and feet, lack of taste and uncontrollable diarrhoea. He describes the diarrhoea as being very antisocial and that he had to change his whole lifestyle. However, he has a positive outlook and explains how he was still happy to take the drug to control the cancer.

His second line drug axitinib also increased his blood pressure and unfortunately he had a stroke which hospitalised him for 3 weeks. At this stage he stopped all medication for 13 weeks. Axitinib cessed working for him and he felt that the gap in treatment has set him back in the fight against the tumour growth.

He was then approached by Addenbrookes hospital and asked to try cabozantinib. He describes the change to cabozantinib as providing him with "a complete change in my social outlook and wellbeing" due to the diarrhoea side effects being almost eradicated. "All of a sudden my life wasn't being dictated to by where the nearest toilet was". Dave Chessum says he feels much more positive and relaxed and although he is trying to catch up after stopping medication for a while he is hoping that the next scan will show less growth.

Dave Chessum's experience illustrates that different drugs can have varying side effect profiles for different people and that alternate options can provide a great deal of hope. So a variety of options is vital for the treatment of advanced kidney cancer. Cabozantinib has proved to have a favourable side effect profile for Dave Chessum and at this stage has provided him and his family an alternative option and positivity for the future.

Currently the number of recommended drug options for patients with kidney cancer is limited, especially compared to America and the rest of Europe. We urge you to consider this when deciding whether to recommend cabozantinib or not.

Dear NICE Committee B members,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the February 2017 draft Appraisal Consultation Document (ACD) for cabozantinib for previously treated advanced renal cell carcinoma.

It is with the importance of allocating scarce NHS resources both equitably and efficiently in mind that we make three observations about this ACD, which seem to be crucial for fair decision making.

The different survival implications of immunotherapies and tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs)

Noting that both the company's preferred approach and the preferred approach of the Evidence Review Group (ERG) impose similar survival assumptions upon cabozantinib, nivolumab, axitinib and everolimus, we are grateful to the Committee for (i) highlighting the need for evidence on the natural history of disease to guide overall survival modelling (Section 4.15) and (ii) for acknowledging the clinical expectation of immunotherapeutic survival benefit for nivolumab in the recently completed TA417 (Section 4.16), which has crucial implications for decision making for cabozantinib.

During TA417, different Consultant NHS Oncologists independently reported that it was "likely" and "very likely" that an immunotherapeutic tail would be seen for patients in the key trial for nivolumab in RCC (CheckMate 025), and that patients who experienced this effect would be expected to have survival similar to age-matched general population values. In exploratory analyses for TA417, we presented results assuming 50% of nivolumab patients who survive to 5 years would then have the same risk of death after 5 years as the age-matched general population, and this had a profound effect upon results.

We hope, in light of the evidence the Committee has in its hands from TA417, that the different survival extrapolation implications of immunotherapies and TKIs will be considered in the decision for this appraisal.

The importance of robust EQ-5D data analysis

Patient-reported EQ-5D data are the NICE Reference Case gold standard utility data source, and it is a strength of the company's submission that the METEOR study collected such data. As such, it is appropriate that in Section 4.20 the Committee expressed a preference for these data to inform utility assumptions in the economic model. However, we would like to raise two issues relating to the analysis and incorporation of the utility data in the company analysis:

- 1. It is crucial that such data are analysed in a way that attempts to address bias, or appraisals will be subject to unnecessary bias, as we fear may be the case here.
- 2. Analyses of the data collected within CHECKMATE 025 demonstrated an independent impact of both progression status and treatment allocation on utility.

Both of these points are discussed, in brief, below.

As the ERG has observed, the company's EQ-5D utility estimates (0.817 for progression-free survival, 0.777 for post-progression survival) are very high. The median patient age at baseline in the METEOR study was 63 years old; the average EQ-5D utility for general population 63-year-olds from the Health Survey for England data analysis published by Brazier and Ara is 0.813.¹ In this context, the post-progression estimate of 0.777 is even harder to believe.

The most likely reasons for these unlikely results are autocorrelation (repeated estimates from the same patient being correlated but assumed independent in the analysis) and sample attrition biasing

results. Fitter patients are more likely to complete the EQ-5D questionnaire, and more likely to continue to respond to questionnaires if they continue to be healthy. If this is the case, it is important that the company, as a minimum:

- presents evidence on completion rates over time for the EQ-5D questionnaire, and
- analyses the data in a way that is suitable in the presence of autocorrelation, such as using a generalised estimating equation.

It is extremely difficult to fully account for autocorrelation and attrition bias when they are present. However, we advise that the steps taken in TA417 contributed to what was as fair an appraisal as was possible. If the company has not shown evidence for completion over time or has not considered measures to address the potential problems we highlight here, we encourage the Committee to ensure that this is done before a decision is made.

In Section 4.20, the ACD states that the METEOR utility values should be adjusted for aging. That is fair, and could be done using general population utility data if utility is expected to diminish with age in a similar way for renal cell carcinoma patients, with acceptable assumptions. However, we stress that this does not address the bias we suspect is present from incorrect analysis of the METEOR EQ-5D data.

In addition, analyses of utility data from CheckMate 025 demonstrated that the treatment received had a significant impact on utility both pre- and post-progression. The rationale behind this observed effect is sound; nivolumab has a more favourable toxicity profile than everolimus, nivolumab treatment can continue beyond progression, nivolumab's immunotherapeutic benefit can continue beyond discontinuation, and there is a benefit for utility of the hope of potential long-term survival because of the anticipated immune-oncology effect. The simple application of the METEOR utility data to all comparators in the company submission is inconsistent with this.

Life expectancy for previously treated renal cell carcinoma patients

Section 4.23 of the ACD discusses the life expectancy for previously treated renal cell carcinoma patients, and rightly expresses concern regarding the company's model's prediction of survival for nivolumab. We hope it may be helpful to summarise the evidence presented in TA417.

Median expected survival for renal cell carcinoma receiving second-line axitinib is less than 24 months (20.1 months in the AXIS trial; 15.2 months in the sunitinib-pre-treated subgroup), as is median expected survival for everolimus patients (19.6 months in CheckMate 025, 14.8 months in Record-1).

In TA417, the Committee concluded that CheckMate 025 results were generalisable to the NHS (TA417 ACD, July 2016). Median survival for nivolumab patients was 25.0 months. Median survival for nivolumab patients from the base case model extrapolations of CheckMate 025 data in TA417 was 26.0 months. It is important to note that these estimates are medians. Given the distribution of overall survival for these treatments, mean life expectancy based on extrapolations is typically greater than median life expectancy. In the final TA417 model, the mean life expectancy for nivolumab patients (without an assumed immunotherapeutic survival benefit) was over 40 months, and for axitinib and everolimus patients was over 30 months.

Yours,



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Comment of NICE appraisal of Cabozantinib for previously treated Advanced Renal Cell Carcinoma

Observation – it would be a great shame if patients did not get access to a drug that has demonstrated clear benefits compared to Everolimus in a well conducted study. The demonstrated benefit in all 3 key endpoints (Response Rate, PFS and OS) is unprecedented in recent RCC trials. The recent approval of Everolimus makes this seem odd although obviously I recognize the key importance of the cost per QALY.

Detailed comments on appraisal

Section 4.1 – the line stating that the clinical experts consider Cabozantinib to be more effective than Axitinib and Everolimus is incorrect or a misunderstanding. In my view it should say:

....the clinical experts perceived Cabozantinib to be proven as more effective than Everolimus and probably more effective than Axitinib, although it is also associated with more adverse events.

I would leave it silent on Nivolumab although it could say: The clinical experts consider Cabozantinib to be of comparable efficacy to Nivolumab – there are however some patients for whom Cabozantinib would clearly be a preferred option (eg those with autoimmune disease) and those for whom Nivolumab may be preferable (eg intolerant of prior TKI therapy).

Section 4.14 – long-term survival of patients receiving second line data. At the meeting, we had some discussion about the long-term survivors and the companies assertion that 6% of patients would be alive at 7 years vs the NICE hypothesis that all would be dead by then. I suggested a few patients would be alive 5-10 years post second line therapy and based this on the experience with first line data. I could not quantify this but have since got our audit data for second line therapy.

I have since extracted relevant data from our database. For all patients treated with second line targeted therapy (Axitinib or Everolimus) the overall survival of our 282 patients audited is shown below (Figure 1). It does show a long-term survival of around 6% of patients.

Not surprisingly the outcome varies with over 10% of good prognosis patients alive 5-10 years and no poor prognosis patients (data not shown). Trials tend to be biased to better prognosis patients and I would therefore agree with the company's assumptions for modeling purposes – indeed 6% may well be a slight underestimate.

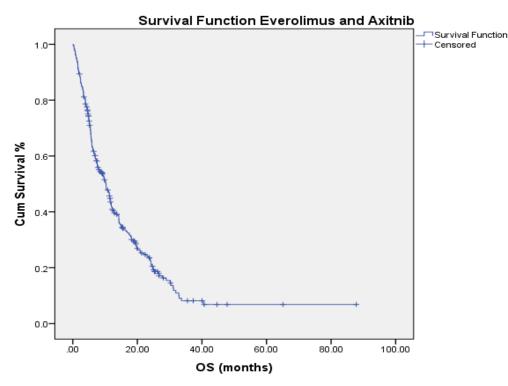


Figure 1: Overall survival of patients treated with Axitinib or Everolimus in the Christie Hospital (n=282).

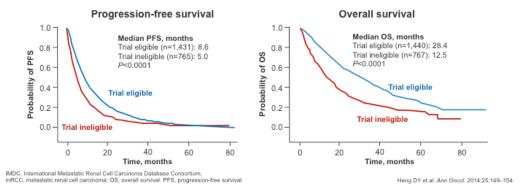
Section 4.23 - End of life considerations

It Is obviously pleasing to see that the overall survival of patients with advanced RCC is improving. At present, I do no think it is reasonable to assume it is >24 months in the second/third line setting. Certainly the Nivolumab Checkmate 025 study showed this but I suspect this will not be the case for the general UK (or elsewhere) data. Our audit data suggest current (pre-Nivolumab/Cabozantinib) overall survival of 18.0, 9.5 and 3.5 months respectively, for good intermediate and poor prognosis patients out of trial with the median out of trial being only 10.5 months because of a lot of poor prognosis patients in real life. Certainly, the good outcome of patients who are eligible for trials vs those who are not eligible for trials is well recognized and was recently quantified by Heng et al. (Heng DY et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2014;25:149–154) – see a slide from my recent ECCO 2017 presentation (Figure 2). This showed that in real life those meeting trial eligibility criteria had a survival of 28 months vs only 12 months for those not meeting the criteria and this was in the first line setting.

In addition, given the very recent approval of Everolimus, I think it is very important to maintain similar ground rules for both drugs.

Patients in everyday clinical practice perform differently than patients treated in clinical trials

IMDC: Retrospective analysis of outcomes among mRCC patients treated with targeted therapies who do not meet eligibility criteria for clinical trials



I hope this provides useful information – I would be happy to discuss / provide more data from our audit if it help.

Robert Hawkins 14 March 2017

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Addendum

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Summary of the document

- The ERG produced this addendum at the request of the NICE technical team for the following graphs:
 - o Comparison of curve fits with raw data
 - OS: Kaplan-Meir (METEOR) vs old fit (log-normal) vs new fit (fractional polynomial) for cabozantinib over the trial follow-up period
 - OS: Kaplan-Meir (METEOR) vs old fit (log-normal) vs new fit (fractional polynomial) for everolimus over the trial follow-up period
 - PFS: Kaplan-Meir (METEOR) vs old fit (log-normal) vs new fit (fractional polynomial) for cabozantinib over the trial follow-up period
 - PFS: Kaplan-Meir (METEOR) vs old fit (log-normal) vs new fit (fractional polynomial) for everolimus over the trial follow-up period
- Comparison of modelled curves with natural history data
 - OS: Base-case survival curve (fractional polynomial) vs scenario survival curve (hybrid: fractional polynomial + log-normal) vs Ruiz-Morales curve for everolimus over 15 years
 - PFS: Base-case survival curve (fractional polynomial) vs scenario survival curve (log normal PFS) vs Ruiz-Morales curve for everolimus over 15 years

Figure 1. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial distribution for cabozantinib PFS



Figure 2. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial extrapolation for cabozantinib PFS



Figure 3. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial distribution for cabozantinib OS



Figure 4. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial extrapolation for cabozantinib OS



Figure 5. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial distribution for everolimus PFS



Figure 6. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial extrapolation for everolimus PFS



Figure 7. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial distribution for everolimus OS



Figure 8. Comparison of KM data to Lognormal and Fractional Polynomial extrapolation for cabozantinib OS



Figure 9. Comparison of Fractional Polynomial and Hybrid extrapolation to Ruiz-Morales 2016 for cabozantinib OS



Figure 10. Comparison of Fractional Polynomial and Hybrid extrapolation to Ruiz-Morales 2016 for everolimus OS



Figure 11. Comparison of Fractional Polynomial and Hybrid extrapolation to Ruiz-Morales 2016 for nivolumab OS



Figure 12. Comparison of Fractional Polynomial and Lognormal extrapolation to Ruiz-Morales 2016 for cabozantinib PFS



Figure 13. Comparison of Fractional Polynomial and Lognormal extrapolation to Ruiz-Morales 2016 for everolimus PFS



Figure 14. Comparison of Fractional Polynomial and Lognormal extrapolation to Ruiz-Morales 2016 for nivolumab PFS



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1 SUMMARY OF THE COMPANY'S MODIFIED ANALYSIS

In response to the Appraisal Consultation Document, the Company provided NICE with an updated cost effectiveness analysis which incorporated the following changes to the original base case:

- Use of the fractional polynomial (FP) method for the indirect treatment comparison (ITC) to estimate overall survival (OS) and progression free survival (PFS);
- Simplification of the network meta-analysis (NMA) by assuming axitinib is clinically equivalent to everolimus for both OS and PFS, thus removing the TARGET study from the network;
- Application of age-adjusted health state utilities values (HSUVs) based on data from the METEOR trial;
- Inclusion of drug wastage costs for nivolumab;
- Removal of GP costs for the PFS health state;
- Exclusion of sorafenib from subsequent treatments; and
- Exclusion of best supportive care from the comparison with cabozantinib.

In addition to the revised base case, the Company have increased the PAS discount from to and have also provided separate analysis of the base case using an updated survival analysis of the METEOR trial based on an October 2016 trail data cut. For the purposes of this report, all presented analyses and results will be based on the <u>new trial data cut</u>, which the ERG considers more appropriate as it reflects more mature survival data.

The Company also explored a range of scenarios assessing the impact of different assumptions on the ICERs, of which the ERG deemed the following as key scenarios:

- Implementation of general population mortality for 50% of nivolumab patients who have survived 5 years or more, as requested by the Committee; and
- Hybrid model (best fitting FP model for trial duration and lognormal extrapolation) for OS.

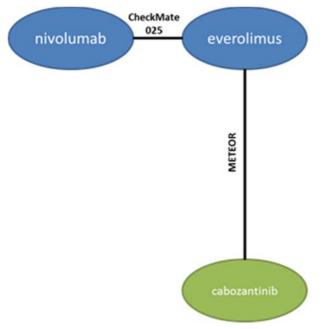
1.1 Network Meta-analysis

The Company has re-analysed its network meta-analysis (NMA) taking on board comments from the Committee and the critique by the ERG. Specifically, the company has:

- Assumed axitinib and everolimus have equal efficacy for PFS and OS. For TTD, the PFS curve was used for axitinib which is consistent with previous technology appraisals of interventions for second line RCC;
- Excluded best supportive care as a potential second line treatment option, and so excluded it from the network;
- Used a more flexible method based on fractional polynomials to allow for a better fit to the available data reported in the studies in the analysis.

This leads to a simplified network of studies depicted in Figure 1.

Figure 1. Network of studies used in the company's network meta-analysis (reproduced from Figure 1 in the company's response to the ACD)



The ERG has examined the programming code supplied by the Company and considers that the method proposed by Jansen 2011 has been implemented appropriately.⁽¹⁾ Similarly, the ERG accepts that the time available to the company has limited their opportunity to explore random effects models or additional values for power (i.e. p and, p_1 and p_2 taking values of -1.5, -0.5, 0.5, 1.5).

The Company used the Deviance Information Criteria (DIC) to assess model fit (where lower values signify a better fitting model, Table 1). The Company considered that, for OS, first order fractional polynomial (p = -1) provided the best statistical fit for trial data. For PFS, the second order polynomial ($p_1 = -1$ and $p_2 = -1$) provided the best fit. The ERG agrees with the Company's interpretation of the DIC but considers that the two second order fractional polynomial curves could also have been explored further for OS.

Table 1. Model fit statistic from the new NMA (adapted from Table 2 in the Company's response to the ACD)

Model fit statistic	First ore <i>p</i> =		First order with <i>p</i> =1		First order with <i>p</i> =-1		Second order with $p_1=-1$, $p_2=0$		Second order with $p_1=-1, p_2=-1$	
statistic	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS	OS	PFS
Deviance information criteria	2130.4	3468.8	2152.5	3474.2	2120.0	3401.3	2126.4	3197.3	2126.1	3165.2
Abbreviations in table: OS, overall survival; <i>p</i> , power; PFS, progression-free survival.										

The Company presented fitted PFS and OS curves superimposed on the extracted Kaplan-Meier data to allow visual assessment of the fit of Kaplan-Meier data to the modelled data (Figure 2 and Figure 3). The ERG agrees that the best fitting fractional polynomial models appear to be a good fit for PFS and OS for cabozantinib, everolimus and nivolumab for the duration of the trials. Table 2 presents the median OS and PFS estimates using the fractional polynomial method.

Table 2. Fractional polynomial median OS and PFS estimates (Oct 2016 METEOR trial data
cut)

Treatment	Median OS	Median PFS
Cabozantinib		
Axitinib		
Everolimus		
Nivolumab		

The ERG would like to highlight (as with the Company's previous NMA), a limitation of the approach taken is that it produces a family of related survival curves for all treatments in the network. This simplification means that the model fit statistics refer to the "average fit" across the network. That is, the fractional polynomial chosen may not fit any individual treatment well but, on average, that family of curves fits the network of treatments best. However, based on a visual inspection of fitted PFS and OS curves superimposed on the extracted Kaplan-Meier data, this appears to be less of an issue with the fractional polynomial approach.

Figure 2. PFS produced by the company's network meta-analysis (second order fractional polynomial model, p_1 = -1, p_1 =-1) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier data (shaded areas represent 95% credible intervals, reproduced from Figure 2 in the company's response to the ACD)

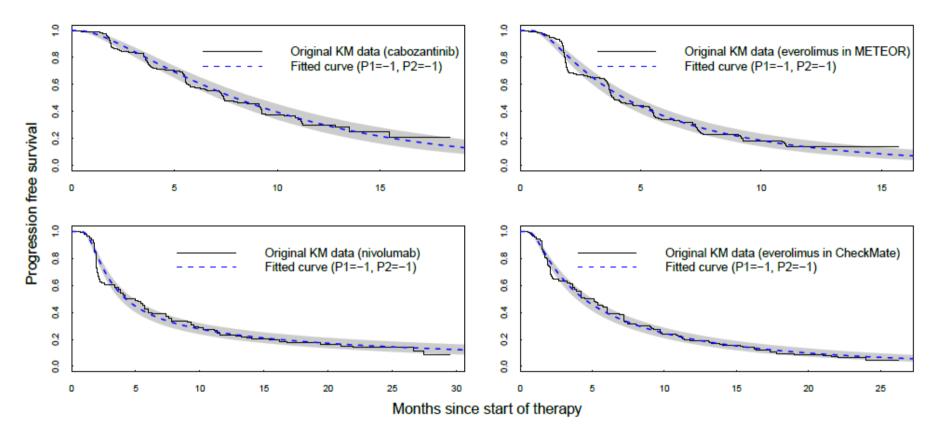


Figure 3. OS produced by the company's network meta-analysis (first order fractional polynomial model, p_1 = -1) overlaid on extracted Kaplan-Meier data (shaded areas represent 95% credible intervals, reproduced from Figure 45 in the company's response to the ACD)



Comparison of PFS and OS for nivolumab

Use of the fractional polynomial approach for the extrapolation of PFS and OS for nivolumab resulted in curves that crossed (Figure 4) which the Company stated is clinically implausible. As such they ran a scenario whereby OS is extrapolated using the fractional polynomial method and PFS is extrapolated using the original lognormal method which does not result in crossing curves (Figure 5). The ERG's critique on the original NMA methodology for estimating PFS still holds, which is that the results need to be treated with caution as the lognormal distribution visually had a poor fit to the KM data resulting in a degree of uncertainty around the estimates produced by this method (Figure 6).

The ERG investigated how, in practice, the engine in economic model handles the issue of PFS greater than OS and at the point at which the curves cross (around year 5). Here patients can no longer progress (and therefore only accrue PFS utilities) and will die of causes other than RCC (as they now follow the OS curve). The ERG considers that given how the curves are implemented in the model (Figure 7), that the fractional polynomial approach for both PFS and OS for nivolumab could be reasonable if it is clinical plausible for nivolumab patients who survive past 5 years to remain progression free from RCC and die from other causes. It should be noted that given the time to review the Company's response to the ACD, the ERG were unable to verify the clinical plausibility of this assumption with its clinical experts.



Figure 4: Comparison of PFS and OS curves for nivolumab (fractional polynomial method)

Figure 5: Comparison of PFS and OS curves for nivolumab (fractional polynomial method for OS, lognormal for PFS)



Figure 6. Comparison of re-generated KM data and fitted curves – PFS nivolumab (Clarification response to B3)

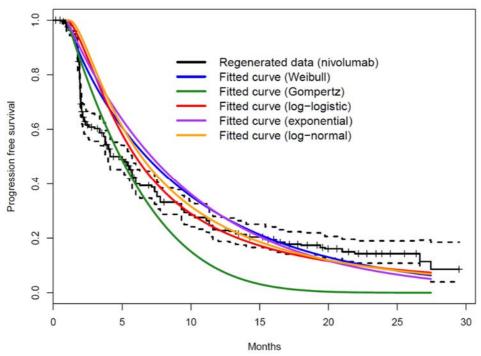


Figure 7: Comparison of PFS and OS curves for nivolumab taken from engine in the economic model (fractional polynomial)



1.2 Real World Evidence

As requested by the Committee, the Company performed a search of "real world" datasets to obtain evidence of the natural history of the disease in current UK clinical practice. From their search they identified a publication by Ruiz-Morales *et al.* 2016 that reported relevant data on second line patients in order to perform an analysis of long term survival.⁽²⁾ Ruiz-Morales 2016 is a retrospective analysis of mRCC patients derived from the International mRCC Database Consortium (IMDC). The study did not include any patients from the UK, though the ERG agrees with the Company that the few baseline characteristics which are reported for both METEOR and Ruiz-Morales 2016 are similar. However, the ERG notes that the baseline characteristics of patients for the Ruiz-Morales 2016 data are reported at the beginning of 1st line therapy rather than 2nd line, and that the proportions of patients from countries with similar population baseline characteristics, socio-economic characteristics, and health systems as the UK, were not specified. Similar to METEOR the patients in Ruiz-Morales 2016 received sunitinib of pazopanib as first line therapy. Second line therapies included sorafenib, axitinib and everolimus.

A smaller proportion of patients in the Ruiz-Morales 2016 study had a favourable prognostic risk category (23%-24% Heng score) compared to the patient population in METEOR (45% MSKCC score). The proportion of patients with a poor prognostic risk category were higher in Ruiz-Morales 2016 compared with the population in METEOR (18-20% RWE Heng score, 12% METEOR MSKCC score). This indicates that the second and third line population in METEOR were healthier than the first line

population in the Ruiz-Morales 2016 study, which in this respect may be more representative of patients in UK clinical practice than the METEOR population, and more appropriate evidence of the natural history of the disease.

The Ruiz-Morales 2016 data indicates that at five years, 10% of patients were expected to be alive. The Company state results from the best fitting FP curve for everolimus estimated that at 5 years approximately 5% of patients would still be alive and as such produced a scenario that uses the FP curve for the within trial duration period (2.5 years) and then applies a lognormal distribution for the post trial extrapolation, bringing estimates of 5 year survival in line with that of the real world evidence. The ERG considers that there may be significant uncertainty around choosing an extrapolation method based purely on meeting a notional 5-year survival estimate – the shape of the extrapolated curve is likely to be at least as important as meeting a survival target at 5-years. As mentioned previously, the lognormal distribution was a poor fit to the KM data and as such may not produce reliable predictions of survival beyond the trial duration. For the RWE to provide any meaningful insight into the natural history of the disease and be used to inform the economic model, assessment of the curve fit of the best fitting fractional polynomial and lognormal distributions should have been compared to the KM data from Ruiz-Morales 2016.

Although the new evidence submitted by the Company for the fractional polynomial method does produce conservative estimates for 5 year survival compared to the real world data, it does improves the fit of the curve to the KM data. The ERG considers that ICER estimate produced using the fractional polynomial method is likely to be conservative. If in clinical practice 5-year survival rates are around 10% estimate, the impact would produce a more favourable ICER for cabozantinib compared to the comparators.

1.3 Exclusion of sorafenib from subsequent treatments

In the ACD, the Committee stated a preference for subsequent treatments not available in the NHS (such as sorafenib) to be excluded from the economic analysis. As such the Company reassigned the proportion of patients who received sorafenib as a subsequent treatment to receive axitinib instead. The ERG considers that the assumption made by the Company is reasonable and overall has little impact on the ICER, however there are 4 key issues with this adjustment that should be noted:

- This adjustment only affects the comparator treatments, as for cabozantinib no patients received sorafenib as a subsequent treatment;
- The list price of axitinib is more expensive than the list price of sorafenib (please see confidential appendix for more details on this issue);
- The model assumes that second line axitinib patients will receive third line axitinib; and

• Axitinib is not currently recommended as a third line treatment.

1.4 Removal of GP costs

In the revised base case analysis, the Company removed GP costs from the PFS health state as recommended by the Committee in the ACD. However, the ERG's clinical experts stated that second line RCC patients would be unlikely to be monitored in primary care and for the ERG's base case GP costs were removed altogether from the model. The ERG considers that removal of these costs from only the PFS health state is inappropriate and explores in a revised base case analysis the impact of removing GP costs from both PFS and PPS health states in Section 3.

1.5 Age adjusted utilities based on the METEOR trial data

In the ACD, the Committee recommended the use of age adjusted utilities based on the METEOR trial. The Company implemented this change by using the following algorithm obtained from a study by Ara and Brazier 2010:

EQ-5D = 0.9454933 + 0.0256466*male - 0.0002213*age - 0.0000294*age²

The mean age (62.5 years) proportion of male patients (75.1%) were obtained from the METEOR trial. The adjustment was then applied to utility values obtained from the METEOR trial for PFS and PPS health states. The ERG considers that the method to adjust utilities for age is robust and has been applied correctly in the model. However, the ERG still considers the initial utility values from METEOR (PFS = 0.817, PPS = 0.777) high based on clinical expert opinion obtained by the ERG. In the ERG's original base case, utility values from the AXIS trial were used (PFS = 0.692, PPS = 0.610). The ERG acknowledges the Committee's preference for utility values based on the clinical trial, however, it still views the METEOR based values as high given that a widely reported utility study estimates that the average UK general population utility for people aged 55-64 is 0.80.⁽³⁾ As such, the ERG explores the impact of using age adjusted AXIS based utility values on the ICER in Section 3.1.

1.6 Other model adjustments explored in scenarios

Adverse event utility values

In the ACD, the Committee recommended the Company use utility decrements for adverse events based on a well conducted systematic review of the literature. In response the ACD, the Company refer back to their original submission where they conducted a systematic review of the literature on utilities, which included search terms for utility decrements. The Company stated limited information was found and rely on a paper published by Swinburn *et al.* 2010, which contained information on utility decrements for selected adverse events.⁽⁴⁾ The Company used the lowest adverse event utility reported in the paper (which was for palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia) and compared it to the utility for stable RCC without adverse events to obtain a utility decrement of -0.33. The Company ran a scenario using

this decrement (Table 30 in Company Response to ACD) and found the adjustment had minimal impact on the ICER.

In the ERG's critique of the original CS, a weighted average utility decrement of -0.17 was calculated using the Swinburn *et al.* 2010 study, which also had minimal impact on the ICER. The ERG therefore considers that Company's analysis demonstrates that the ICER is robust to extreme changes to the adverse event utility decrement.

Predictions of better overall survival for nivolumab

As per the Committee's request, the Company explored a scenario whereby 50% of patients who survive beyond 5 years are assumed to have general population mortality rates. The Company state that this assumption is in line with nivolumab appraisal (TA417). The Company found that applying this assumption to the base case resulted in cabozantinib being dominant over nivolumab. The ERG explored a scenario whereby 100% of nivolumab 5 year survivors move to general population mortality rates and found that this extreme assumption generated an ICER of approximately £20,000 (see Section 3.1 for more details).

The ERG explored an additional scenario around OS for nivolumab based on it being clinical equivalent to cabozantinib for OS (Section 3.1). This scenario was explored based on interrogation of the hazard plot for the best fitting factional polynomial model for OS indication that the hazard ratio over time for nivolumab compared to cabozantinib was not significantly different (i.e. the 95% credible intervals crossed 1).

2 COMPANY'S BASE CASE

The Company's revised base case is based on the following assumptions:

- Use of the fractional polynomial method for the indirect treatment comparison (ITC) to estimate overall survival (OS) and progression free survival (PFS);
- Simplification of the network meta-analysis (NMA) by assuming axitinib is clinically equivalent to everolimus for both OS and PFS, thus removing the TARGET study from the network;
- Application of age-adjusted health state utilities values (HSUVs) based on data from the METEOR trial;
- Inclusion of drug wastage costs for nivolumab;
- Removal of GP costs for the PFS health state;
- Exclusion of sorafenib from subsequent treatments and;
- Exclusion of best supportive care from the comparison with cabozantinib.

As mentioned previously, the use of the FP method to estimate PFS and OS for nivolumab resulted in curves that cross which is clinically implausible, however as mentioned previously the implementation of that data in the model means that after the point in time the curves cross, PFS becomes equal to OS. It has not been verified whether this could be clinically plausible. However, in order to have a robust comparison of clinical effectiveness, to perform a meaningful incremental analysis, the method employed to estimate PFS should be consistent across treatments. Therefore, the ERG presents the two options for the Company's base case results, one using the fractional polynomial method for both PFS and OS and the other option using the fractional polynomial method for OS and the lognormal method for PFS.

Table 3 and Table 4 presents the revised Company base case results (see Appendix for results with cabozantinib PAS discount applied). Table 5 and Table 6 present the PSA results and Table 7 & 8 present the incremental analysis of pairwise cost-effectiveness results.

Table 3. Pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Table 4. Pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial for OS and lognormal for PFS

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)			
Cabozantinib										
Axitinib										
Everolimus										
Nivolumab										
	Abbreviations used in the table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; LY, life year; QALY, quality-adjusted life year									

Table 5. PSA cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)		
Cabozantinib									
Axitinib									
Everolimus									
Nivolumab									
Abbreviations used in the table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; LY, life year; QALY, quality-adjusted life year									

Table 6. PSA cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial for OS and lognormal for PFS

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Table 7. Incremental analysis of pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on
fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)			
Everolimus										
Axitinib										
Cabozantinib										
Nivolumab										
	Abbreviations used in the table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; LY, life year; QALY, quality-adjusted life year									

Table 8. Incremental analysis of pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)			
Everolimus										
Axitinib										
Cabozantinib										
Nivolumab										
	Abbreviations used in the table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; LY, life year; QALY, quality-adjusted life year									

The cost-effectiveness analysis of the trial data are presented in Table 7 to provide a comparison to the ITC analysis.

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs	Incremental LYs	Incremental QALYs	ICER
Cabozantinib							
Everolimus							
Abbreviations us	ed in the table:	ICER, ir	ncremental of	cost-effectiveness	ratio; LY, life year;	QALY, quality-adju	isted life year.

Table 9. Cost-effectiveness results for METEOR

3 ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS UNDERTAKEN BY THE ERG

The original ERG base case made the following assumptions:

- Using the Weibull distribution to extrapolate OS for the trial based analysis;
- Assuming PH holds for all comparators in the NMA and adopting a PH modelling approach for the NMA based analysis. Axitinib was assumed to be equivalent to everolimus to avoid violating PH for the TARGET trial in the network;
- Assuming the HSUVs for PFS and PPS are 0.692 and 0.610 respectively. These reflect the values in the AXIS trial, which the ERG's clinical experts stated would be closer to what is seen in practice than the values obtained from the METEOR trial;
- Inclusion of wastage costs for nivolumab due to the weight-based dosing regimen in the NMA analysis. In the CS, these were said to be included, but during clarification stage the company mistakenly omitted the wastage costs of nivolumab in their base case NMA analysis and;
- Exclusion of GP costs in line with the ERG's clinical expert opinion.

Overall the Company has reasonably addressed the concerns of the ERG and also adhered to the preferences of the Committee regarding the analysis of the base case. Based on the Committee's preferred approach and the new analysis submitted by the Company, the ERG has performed additional analysis on the Company's revised base case to produce a revised ERG base case based on the following assumptions:

- Use of the fractional polynomial method for the indirect treatment comparison (ITC) to estimate overall survival (OS) and progression free survival (PFS) for all interventions;
- Applying the weighted average adverse event utility decrement (-0.17) based on Swinburn *et al.* 2010.
- Exclusion of GP costs for both PFS and PPS in line with the ERG's clinical expert opinion

The ERG chose to focus on the fractional polynomial method for the ITC due to the way the engine in the economic model handles PFS and OS for nivolumab, but in addition the scenario of assuming 50% of nivolumab 5 year survivors moving to general mortality rates supports that after 5 years a proportion of patients will remain progression free until they die.

The ERG modified base case is presented in Table 10 (see Appendix for ERG base case ICERs with the incorporated cabozantinib PAS discount).

Table 10. ERG modified base case results

Populto per petient	Cabozantinib	Axitinib	Everolimus	Nivolumab	Inc	remental value)
Results per patient	(1)	(2)	(3)	(5)	(1-2)	(1-3)	(1-4)
Revised Company base case (fractional polynomial n	nethod)						
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
Weighted average adverse event utility decrement							
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
ICER (with all changes incorporated)							
Removal of GP costs for PFS and PPS							
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
ICER (with all changes incorporated)							

3.1 ERG scenario analysis

The ERG ran a number of different scenarios in addition to the ERG modified base case, to explore the impact of the following changes, which have been mentioned previously in the report:

- Using age adjusted AXIS utilities (Table 11);
- Assuming 100% of nivolumab 5 year survivors move on to general population mortality rates (Table 12); and
- Assuming clinical equivalency for OS between nivolumab and cabozantinib (Table 13).

All scenarios are run using the fractional polynomial method for extrapolating PFS and OS. Please refer to the Appendix for results with cabozantinib PAS discount applied.

It can be seen in Table 9, changing the source of age adjusted utilities has a large impact on the ICER (approximately £20,000-£30,000 difference). As mentioned previously, the Committee stated a preference for trial based utilities, however this scenario highlights if utilities for second line RCC patients are lower in practice than the cost-effectiveness of cabozantinib may be less favourable.

The assumption of 100% of nivolumab 5 year survivors moving on to general population mortality, while could be considered an extreme assumption, generated an ICER of approximately £20,000 (approximately **matter**) with cabozantinib PAS discount applied). The ICER differences for this scenario are driven by a relatively large QALY difference in favour of nivolumab, yet this can be considered a "worst case scenario" as it effectively assumes all patients are cured after surviving 5 years. As mentioned previously in the discussion around PFS extrapolation for nivolumab, the assumption of patients being cured after 5 years may be clinical plausible, but only for a certain percentage of the population, therefore the 50% assumption may not be unreasonable and the results shown for this assumption demonstrates that there is minimal difference between the two treatments.

The results of the scenario assuming nivolumab is clinically equivalent to cabozantinib demonstrates that there is a minimal difference between costs and benefits between the two treatments. There is a small QALY decrement that is being driven by PFS, which causes the ICER to be largely inflated. It should be noted that when the distribution is changed to lognormal for PFS, the QALY difference changes to a positive value (0.01), reversing the ICER to become dominant in favour of cabozantinib. As with the previous scenario, depending on which assumption is deemed plausible, it can be seen that there is no meaningful difference for costs and QALYs between treatments.

Table 11. Scenario analysis of using age adjusted AXIS utility rates

Results per patient	Cabozantinib	Axitinib	Everolimus	Nivolumab	Inci	Incremental value		
Results per patient	(1)	(2)	(3)	(5)	(1-2)	(1-3)	(1-4)	
Revised Company base case (fractional polynomial n	Revised Company base case (fractional polynomial method)							
Total costs (£)								
QALYs								
ICER								
Age adjusted AXIS utilities								
Total costs (£)								
QALYs								
ICER								

Table 12. Scenario analysis of 50% and 100% nivolumab 5 year survivors moving to general population mortality rates

Results per patient	Cabozantinib	Nivolumab	Incremental value
Revised Company base case			
Total costs (£)			
QALYs			
ICER			
Nivolumab 50% 5 year survivor general popu	lation mortality		
Total costs (£)			
QALYs			
ICER (compared with base case)			
Nivolumab 100% 5 year survivor general pop	ulation mortality		
Total costs (£)			
QALYs			
ICER (compared with base case)			
Abbreviations in table: BSC, best supportive care; ICEF PH, proportional hazards; HSUV, health state utility va			

Table 13. Scenario analysis of equal OS for nivolumab and cabozantinib

Results per patient	Cabozantinib	Nivolumab	Incremental value
Revised Company base case (fractional poly	nomial method)		
Total costs (£)			
QALYs			
ICER			
Equal OS for nivolumab and cabozantinib			
Total costs (£)			
QALYs			
ICER (compared with base case)			
Abbreviations in table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER PH, proportional hazards; HSUV, health state utility va	,	, .	

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5 APPENDIX

5.1 Revised Company base case results with cabozantinib PAS discount applied

Table 14. Pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on the fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

	Total Total		tal Total	Increm	ICER		
Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Costs	QALYs	LYs	(£/QALY)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us	ed in the tab	le: ICER,	incrementa	l cost-effectiveness	s ratio; LY, life year	, QALY, quality-adju	usted life year

Table 15. Pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison for OS and lognormal for PFS (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Table 16. PSA cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Table 17. PSA cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison for OS and lognormal for PFS (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Cabozantinib							
Axitinib							
Everolimus							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Table 18. Incremental analysis of pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Everolimus							
Axitinib							
Cabozantinib							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Table 19. Incremental analysis of pairwise analysis cost-effectiveness results based on fractional polynomial indirect treatment comparison (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs Cabozantinib versus comparator	Incremental LYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	Incremental QALYs Cabozantinib Versus comparator	ICER Cabozantinib Versus comparator (£/QALY)
Everolimus							
Axitinib							
Cabozantinib							
Nivolumab							
Abbreviations us quality-adjusted		le: BSC,	best suppor	tive care; ICER, ind	cremental cost-effe	ctiveness ratio; LY,	life year; QALY,

Treatment	Cost	LYs	QALYs	Incremental costs	Incremental LYs	Incremental QALYs	ICER
Cabozantinib							
Everolimus							
Abbreviations us	ed in the table:	: ICER, ir	ncremental o	cost-effectiveness	ratio; LY, life year;	QALY, quality-adju	isted life year.

Table 20. Cost-effectiveness results for METEOR (with cabozantinib PAS discount applied)

5.2 ERG modified base case results with cabozantinib PAS discount applied

Populto por potiont	Cabozantinib	Axitinib	Everolimus	Nivolumab	Inc	remental value	e
Results per patient	(1)	(2)	(3)	(5)	(1-2)	(1-3)	(1-4)
Revised Company base case (fractional polynomia	al method)			·			
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
Weighted average adverse event utility decrement							
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
ICER (with all changes incorporated)							
Removal of GP costs for PFS and PPS							
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
ICER (with all changes incorporated)							

Table 21. ERG modified base case results

5.3 ERG scenario analysis with cabozantinib PAS discount applied

Table 22. Scenario analysis of using age adjusted AXIS utility rates

Results per patient	Cabozantinib	Axitinib	Everolimus	Nivolumab	Incremental value		
Results per patient	(1)	(2)	(3)	(5)	(1-2)	(1-3)	(1-4)
Revised Company base case (fractional polynomial r	nethod)						
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							
Age adjusted AXIS utilities							
Total costs (£)							
QALYs							
ICER							

Table 23. Scenario analysis of 50% and 100% nivolumab 5 year survivors moving to general population mortality rates (with cabozantinib PAS discount)

Results per patient	Cabozantinib	Nivolumab	Incremental value	
Revised Company base case				
Total costs (£)				
QALYs				
ICER				
Nivolumab 50% 5 year survivor general population mortality				
Total costs (£)				
QALYs				
ICER (compared with base case)				
Nivolumab 100% 5 year survivor general population mortality				
Total costs (£)				
QALYs				
ICER (compared with base case)				
Abbreviations in table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality-adjusted life year; PH, proportional hazards; HSUV, health state utility value; GP, general practitioner; ERG, evidence research group.				

Table 24. Scenario analysis of equal OS for nivolumab and cabozantinib (with cabozantinib PAS discount)

Results per patient	Cabozantinib	Nivolumab	Incremental value	
Revised Company base case				
Total costs (£)				
QALYs				
ICER				
Equal OS for nivolumab and cabozantinib				
Total costs (£)				
QALYs				
ICER (compared with base case)				
Abbreviations in table: BSC, best supportive care; ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality-adjusted life year; PH, proportional hazards; HSUV, health state utility value; GP, general practitioner; ERG, evidence research group.				