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Type of stakeholder:

Consultees – Organisations that accept an invitation to participate in the appraisal including the companies, national professional organisations, national patient organisations, the Department of Health and Social Care and the Welsh Government and relevant NHS organisations in England. Consultees can make a submission and participate in the consultation on the appraisal consultation document (ACD; if produced). All non-company consultees can nominate clinical experts and/or patient experts to verbally present their personal views to the Appraisal Committee. Company consultees can also nominate clinical experts. Representatives from NHS England and clinical commissioning groups invited to participate in the appraisal may also attend the Appraisal Committee as NHS commissioning experts. All consultees have the opportunity to consider an appeal against the final recommendations, or report any factual errors, within the final appraisal document (FAD).

Clinical and patient experts and NHS commissioning experts – The Chair of the Appraisal Committee and the NICE project team select clinical experts and patient experts from nominations by consultees and commentators. They attend the Appraisal Committee meeting as individuals to answer questions to help clarify issues about the submitted evidence and to provide their views and experiences of the technology and/or condition. Before they attend the meeting, all experts must either submit a written statement (using a template) or indicate they agree with the submission made by their nominating organisation.

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1	Consultee (company)	Pfizer UK	<p><u>Assumption 1: Assuming equal efficacy for overall survival after 36 months</u></p> <p>Pfizer does not believe that the Committee should assume equal efficacy beyond 36 months as it is not clinically plausible to assume dacomitinib has a decrement post-progression.</p> <p>The ERG base-case assuming equal efficacy for overall survival between all treatments after 36 months results in the ERG base-case predicting mean post-progression survival of [REDACTED] month for dacomitinib, [REDACTED] months for gefitinib/erlotinib and [REDACTED] months and afatinib. The ERG and Committee acknowledged alternative scenarios with equal efficacy from 48 months, 60 months and 71 months (equal post-progression survival).</p> <p>The 36-month scenario cannot be considered clinically plausible given the proportion of patient on treatment at 36 months and the lack of events informing the arbitrary 36-month cut-off. The latter scenario of equal post-progression survival is the most clinically plausible given the post hoc analysis of post-progression survival from ARCHER 1050, clinical opinion and prognosis beyond progression.</p> <p>High proportion on treatment with dacomitinib at 36 months</p> <p>The ERG base-case predicts that [REDACTED]% of patients will be on treatment at 36 months in the dacomitinib arm in contrast to only [REDACTED]% of patients in the gefitinib/erlotinib arm remaining on treatment. Therefore, is it not plausible to assume there is no further benefit for these patients that are still on treatment.</p> <p>Post-progression survival in ARCHER</p> <p>Post-hoc analyses of post-progression survival from ARCHER 1050 was calculated from the date of progression-free survival (PFS) per IRC review to the date of overall survival (OS) event or censored date as applicable). The PFS data are based on the primary completion data cut-off date (29 July 2016) and the OS data are based on the OS Final Analysis data cut-off date (17 February 2017).</p> <p>In the ITT population, the estimated hazard ratio of PPS for dacomitinib versus gefitinib was [REDACTED] based on the stratified analysis,</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The committee considered the different scenarios for assuming equal efficacy for overall survival between all treatments. The committee noted each of the justifications presented here in favour of the assumption for equal post-progression survival but was not convinced of its clinical plausibility. But the committee also accepted that the ERG's preferred assumption of equal efficacy after 36 months might be too conservative. The</p>

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			<p>indicating a [redacted] reduction in the risk of post-progression death in favour of dacomitinib. The median PPS was [redacted] months in the dacomitinib arm and [redacted] months in the gefitinib arm. These data, albeit from post-randomization subgroups, suggest that there was a numerical improvement in post-progression survival in the dacomitinib arm compared to the gefitinib arm (hazard ratio [HR] <1). Thus, equivalent post-progression survival should be considered as a worst-case scenario.</p> <p>Post-progression survival and censoring in ARCHER</p> <p>The above analysis used the ITT population and therefore, included patients with censored PFS events. Therefore, to explore the impact of this censoring, a further PPS analysis was undertaken only including patients with an observed PFS event. The estimated hazard ratio of PPS for dacomitinib versus gefitinib was [redacted] (95% CI: [redacted]) with a 1-sided p-value of [redacted] based on the stratified analysis, indicating a [redacted] reduction in the risk of post-progression death in favour of dacomitinib. The median PPS was [redacted] months in the dacomitinib arm and [redacted] months in the gefitinib arm.</p> <p>The results above are also likely to be conservative because patients who progress early have a longer follow up post progression and higher chance of death before censoring. For these patients it is more likely that the true (uncensored) PPS is reached compared with patients who are on therapy for longer. The table below shows that there were more observations in the gefitinib arm ([redacted]) compared to the dacomitinib arm ([redacted]) where PPS was known because of recorded events for both PFS and OS. The table also shows that there were many more patients in the dacomitinib arm ([redacted]) compared to the gefitinib arm ([redacted]) where PPS was unknown because both PFS and OS were censored. If these patients had the opportunity to continue in the ARCHER 1050 trial, the PPS gain would likely increase and be reflected in the data. As dacomitinib is a more effective therapy, with more censoring in both PFS and OS, the likelihood that the true PPS has been reached is lower with dacomitinib and this would likely underestimate the PPS gain with dacomitinib.</p>	<p>committee agreed that the most plausible ICER approximates most closely to the ERG's scenario analysis for assuming equal efficacy from 48 months (see section 3.23 of the FAD).</p>

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2	Consultee (company)	Pfizer UK	<p><u>Assumption 2: Progressed disease utility values from alternative sources</u></p> <p>Pfizer do not believe that the Committee should consider the single post-progression follow-up utility from ARCHER 1050 as representative to the entire time in the progressed disease state (primary progression until death).</p> <p>The company does not disagree with the ERG and the Committee that from a methodical perspective, it may be more appropriate to use utility values from trials when they are available. However, progressed disease utility values are not available from ARCHER 1050. EQ-5D administered at the post-progression follow-up from ARCHER 1050, only represents a single time point very close to disease progression. Therefore, it cannot be considered robust enough to capture the gradual decline in quality-of-life for these patients during potential additional lines of therapy and progression and the time prior to death. Thus, as expected the post-progression follow-up values applied the committee preferred analysis (■■■■) only represent a utility decrement of ■■■■, which is at odds with previous NICE advanced NSCLC appraisals.</p> <p>Of note, the current appraisal of osimertinib in patient with untreated EGFR+ advanced NSCLC, the committee preferred value is 0.678, representing a progression decrement of 0.116 (0.794-0.678). This can also be considered a relatively high progressed disease value given that it only accounts for patient progression-free on second line treatment, thus not accounting for further progression and declining quality-of-life prior to death.</p>	Thank you for your comment. The committee considered the different values for progressed disease and agreed that neither value from ARCHER 1050 or Labbé was ideal, and that both had their merits. The committee also recalled the utility value used in the appraisal of osimertinib for treating locally advanced or metastatic EGFR T790M mutation-

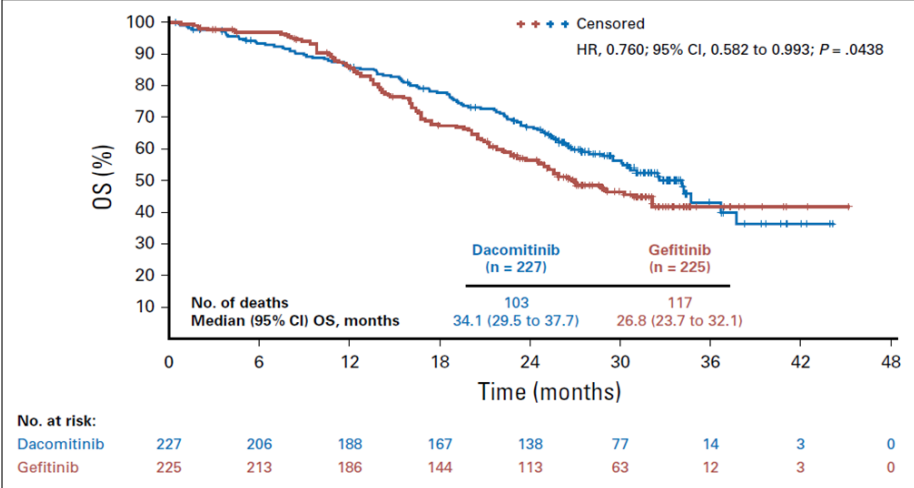
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9th May 2019

Dear Professor Gary McVeigh,

RE: Dacomitinib for untreated EGFR-positive non-small-cell lung cancer [ID1346] ACD

Pfizer is disappointed with the Committee's draft recommendation. Dacomitinib is a step forward in the management of untreated EGFR-positive non-small-cell lung cancer patients and we believe that several assumptions that drove this recommendation are flawed and lack clinical validity.

Pfizer welcomes the Committee's views of recognising the additional clinical benefit of dacomitinib as well as the generalisability and high quality of the pivotal trial that informed the submission (ARCHER 1050).

We hope that the information contained within this response will provide sufficient evidence for the Committee to reconsider current assumptions, in particular those with regards to post-progression survival benefit. Pfizer has also submitted a revised PAS.

In this response, Pfizer presents further adjustments to the Committee's set of preferred economic estimates which included: equal post-progression survival and lower post-progression utility. We note that some of the ERG adjustments were not clinically plausible as they were not aligned with the observed data, clinicians' opinion and previous appraisals.

The cumulative impact of the above changes improves the cost-effectiveness (versus gefitinib with PAS) to £[REDACTED] per QALY gained. Given the confidential nature of the erlotinib and afatinib PAS, a threshold analysis is presented that varies the PASs from 5% to 95% at 5% intervals to aid the Committee in its decision making. This analysis indicated that the PAS for erlotinib and afatinib would have to exceed [REDACTED]% and [REDACTED]%, so that the ICER is above the £30,000 per QALY threshold.

Pfizer is very keen to find a timely solution to avoid lengthy delays in the access of this important treatment option to patients.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Assumption 1: Assuming equal efficacy for overall survival after 36 months

Pfizer does not believe that the Committee should assume equal efficacy beyond 36 months as it is not clinically plausible to assume dacomitinib has a decrement post-progression.

The ERG base-case assuming equal efficacy for overall survival between all treatments after 36 months results in the ERG base-case predicting mean post-progression survival of [REDACTED] month for dacomitinib, [REDACTED] months for gefitinib/erlotinib and [REDACTED] months and afatinib. The ERG and Committee acknowledged alternative scenarios with equal efficacy from 48 months, 60 months and 71 months (equal post-progression survival).

The 36-month scenario cannot be considered clinically plausible given the proportion of patient on treatment at 36 months and the lack of events informing the arbitrary 36-month cut-off. The latter scenario of equal post-progression survival is the most clinically plausible given the post hoc analysis of post-progression survival from ARCHER 1050, clinical opinion and prognosis beyond progression.

High proportion on treatment with dacomitinib at 36 months

The ERG base-case predicts that [REDACTED]% of patients will be on treatment at 36 months in the dacomitinib arm in contrast to only [REDACTED]% of patients in the gefitinib/erlotinib arm remaining on treatment. Therefore, is it not plausible to assume there is no further benefit for these patients that are still on treatment.

Post-progression survival in ARCHER

Post-hoc analyses of post-progression survival from ARCHER 1050 was calculated from the date of progression-free survival (PFS) per IRC review to the date of overall survival (OS) event or censored date as applicable). The PFS data are based on the primary completion data cut-off date (29 July 2016) and the OS data are based on the OS Final Analysis data cut-off date (17 February 2017).

In the ITT population, the estimated hazard ratio of PPS for dacomitinib versus gefitinib was [REDACTED] based on the stratified analysis, indicating a [REDACTED] reduction in the risk of post-progression death in favour of dacomitinib. The median PPS was [REDACTED] months in the dacomitinib arm and [REDACTED] months in the gefitinib arm. These data, albeit from post-randomization subgroups, suggest that there was a numerical improvement in post-progression survival in the dacomitinib arm compared to the gefitinib arm (hazard ratio [HR] <1). Thus equivalent post-progression survival should be considered as a worst case scenario.

Post-progression survival and censoring in ARCHER

The above analysis used the ITT population and therefore, included patients with censored PFS events. Therefore, to explore the impact of this censoring, a further PPS analysis was

undertaken only including patients with an observed PFS event. The estimated hazard ratio of PPS for dacomitinib versus gefitinib was ██████ (95% CI: ██████) with a 1-sided p-value of ██████ based on the stratified analysis, indicating a ██████ reduction in the risk of post-progression death in favour of dacomitinib. The median PPS was ██████ months in the dacomitinib arm and ██████ months in the gefitinib arm.

The results above are also likely to be conservative because patients who progress early have a longer follow up post progression and higher chance of death before censoring. For these patients it is more likely that the true (uncensored) PPS is reached compared with patients who are on therapy for longer. The table below shows that there were more observations in the gefitinib arm (██████) compared to the dacomitinib arm (██████) where PPS was known because of recorded events for both PFS and OS. The table also shows that there were many more patients in the dacomitinib arm (██████) compared to the gefitinib arm (██████) where PPS was unknown because both PFS and OS were censored. If these patients had the opportunity to continue in the ARCHER 1050 trial, the PPS gain would likely increase and be reflected in the data. As dacomitinib is a more effective therapy, with more censoring in both PFS and OS, the likelihood that the true PPS has been reached is lower with dacomitinib and this would likely underestimate the PPS gain with dacomitinib.

Table 1. Censoring and PPS estimation

PFS event	OS event	dacomitinib 227 n(%)	gefitinib 225 n (%)	
yes	yes	████	████	true PPS is known
yes	no	████	████	true PPS is censored
no	yes	████	████	PPS is overestimated
no	no	████	████	true PPS is not known

Post-progression survival and correlation with PFS

An additional analysis was conducted to evaluate the extent to which longer PFS is associated with longer PPS. The methodology used in Negrier et al. 2014 was adopted whereby PPS was calculated for 3 equally sized groups based on PFS duration. This analysis suggests that for the ITT population of ARCHER 1050 (including both dacomitinib

and gefitinib patients), there was a significant difference between the PPS curves based on PFS duration. Compared with the lowest PFS duration group (████████████████████), PPS was significantly longer in the group with ██████████ (████████████████████). Similarly, compared with the lowest PFS duration group, PPS survival was significantly longer in the group with PFS \geq 14.6 (████████████████████). As expected, there was a large amount of censoring in the group of patients with the longest PFS, indicating that PPS gain in this population relative to the population in the lowest PFS strata, would be even higher if the analysis were done with more mature data. The positive association between PFS and PPS was also shown for the gefitinib arm.

In summary, these results indicate that longer PFS is associated with longer PPS and that the assumption of equal PPS between dacomitinib and gefitinib is highly conservative and can be considered a worst-case scenario. Indeed, the evidence suggests that PPS is at least as long for dacomitinib compared with gefitinib, and possibly even longer because of censoring and the positive relationship between PFS and PPS.

Clinical opinion

The ERG clinical adviser stated that it was reasonable to assume equivalent post-progression survival for the comparators in this analysis.

Tumour response and subsequent treatments

Given similar response rates there is no meaningful difference expected in the tumour size upon progression and upon progression there is no difference in available subsequent treatments (osimertinib, platinum doublet chemotherapy). Therefore, there is no clinical rationale for patients on dacomitinib to have an inferior prognosis upon progression compared to comparator TKIs and thus no difference in post-progression survival.

Assumption 2: Progressed disease utility values from alternative sources

Pfizer do not believe that the Committee should consider the single post-progression follow-up utility from ARCHER 1050 as representative to the entire time in the progressed disease state (primary progression until death).

The company does not disagree with the ERG and the Committee that from a methodical perspective, it may be more appropriate to use utility values from trials when they are available. However, progressed disease utility values are not available from ARCHER 1050. EQ-5D administered at the post-progression follow-up from ARCHER 1050, only represents

a single time point very close to disease progression. Therefore, it cannot be considered robust enough to capture the gradual decline in quality-of-life for these patients during potential additional lines of therapy and progression and the time prior to death. Thus, as expected the post-progression follow-up values applied the committee preferred analysis (■■■■) only represent a utility decrement of ■■■■, which is at odds with previous NICE advanced NSCLC appraisals.

Of note, the current appraisal of osimertinib in patient with untreated EGFR+ advanced NSCLC, the committee preferred value is 0.678, representing a progression decrement of 0.116 (0.794-0.678). This can also be considered a relatively high progressed disease value given that it only accounts for patient progression-free on second line treatment, thus not accounting for further progression and declining quality-of-life prior to death.

The decline in utility prior to death has been demonstrated in a previous NSCLC appraisal of atezolizumab in NSCLC, where progressed utility values >15/>5/<5 weeks were 0.58, 0.43 and 0.35, respectively. Although they are not the most robust evidence from the literature Nafees (2008) and Chouaid (2013) with values of 0.47 and 0.46 for progressed disease, these have been accepted by committee's as the preferred values in numerous previous NICE NSCLC appraisals.

Therefore, the value from Labbe (0.64) that is considered the most appropriate from the literature by the ERG, should be applied in the base-case analysis.

Cost-effectiveness summary of Pfizer's adjustments to the ERG analysis

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Table 2. Cost-effectiveness estimates with PAS

#	Company adjustment	ICER dacomitinib (■■% PAS) versus		
		Gefitinib (with PAS)	Afatinib (list price)	Erlotinib (list price)
1	Slight post-progression decrement (No survival gain beyond 60 months)	■■■■	■■■■	■■■■

2	Equal post-progression survival (No additional survival benefit beyond 71 months)	██████	██████	██████
3	Labbe post-progression utility	██████	██████	██████
ERG analysis		██████	██████	██████
Company revised base-case (1+3)		██████	██████	██████
Company revised base-case (2+3)		██████	██████	██████

The adjustments made to the ERG structural changes impact the cost-effectiveness estimates and are likely to alter the committee's preliminary decision of not recommending dacomitinib to patients with EGFR+ NSCLC. The ICER falls below £30,000 per QALY gained (£██████/QALY). The threshold analysis is presented in Table 3 indicated that the PAS for erlotinib and afatinib would have to exceed ███% and ███%, respectively for the ICER to be above the £30,000 per QALY threshold.

Table 3. Cost-effectiveness estimates with Company revised base-case (2+3) and erlotinib/afatinib at varying discounts (dacomitinib with PAS)

Comparator discount	ICER dacomitinib versus	
	Erlotinib	Afatinib
5%	██████	██████
10%	██████	██████
15%	██████	██████
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80%	██████	██████
85%	██████	██████
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Abbreviations: ICER: incremental cost-effectiveness ratio

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Dear Professor McVeigh,

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Following the second Appraisal Committee meeting held on 23rd May 2019, Pfizer has increased the confidential discount for dacomitinib from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] on the current list price of £2,703.00 per 30-tablet pack (confidential net price from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]).

When populating the economic model with the assumptions concluded by the Committee (assumed equal efficacy [HR=1] for overall survival between all treatments after 48 months and a post-progression utility value of 0.678) the ICER reduces from [REDACTED] [REDACTED], with the new discount. Thereby, demonstrating cost-effectiveness in the Committee's preferred base-case.

We thank you for your assistance with this submission and are happy to discuss this further with you as required.

Your sincerely,
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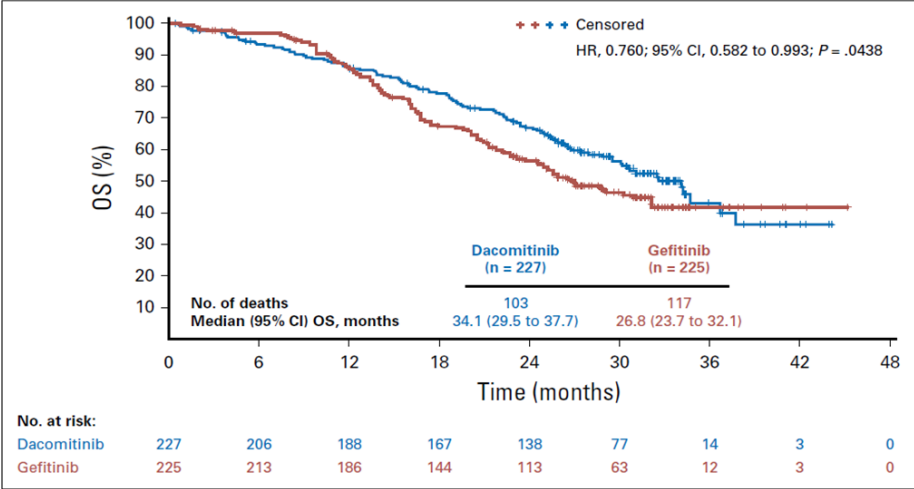
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Overall	103/227	117/225		0.802 (0.615 to 1.045)	
Sex					
Male	42/81	55/100		0.929 (0.621 to 1.389)	
Female	61/146	62/125		0.741 (0.520 to 1.056)	.4258*
Age group					
< 65 years	59/133	75/140		0.718 (0.511 to 1.011)	
≥ 65 years	44/94	42/85		0.960 (0.628 to 1.466)	.3153*
Baseline ECOG PS					
0	31/75	23/62		1.163 (0.677 to 1.996)	
1	72/152	94/163		0.716 (0.526 to 0.974)	.1188*
Race					
Non-Asian	29/57	31/49		0.721 (0.433 to 1.201)	
Asian	74/170	86/176		0.812 (0.595 to 1.108)	.7267*
Smoking status					
Never	65/147	74/144		0.762 (0.546 to 1.064)	
Current or former	38/80	43/81		0.893 (0.577 to 1.381)	.5829*
EGFR at random assignment					
Exon 19 ± T790M	57/134	61/133		0.880 (0.613 to 1.262)	
L858R mutation ± T790M	46/93	56/92		0.707 (0.478 to 1.045)	.4174*

Subgroup analysis of PFS suggested that efficacy was driven by the Asian group (HR 0.51 [95% CI 0.39, 0.66]). The PFS HR in the non-Asian group was not statistically significant (HR 0.89 [95% CI 0.57, 1.39])

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It is worth noting that Asian ethnicity has been identified as a favourable independent prognostic factor for OS in NSCLC, irrespective of smoking status (Ou, et al., J. Thorac Oncol 2009; 4(9): 1083) and that this has been a consideration by previous committees when appraising treatments in similar settings (e.g. TA310).

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1 ERG Response to company's comments on ACD1

Summary of company submission: The company has provided comments on two key points included in the committee's preferred assumptions, that also featured in the evidence review group's (ERG) base case analysis. The company also provided incremental cost effectiveness ratios (ICERs) exploring a range of scenarios that incorporate their new patient access scheme (PAS) discount.

1.1 Assumption 1: Assuming Equal Efficacy for overall survival after 36 months.

The company provide several arguments against the ERG's preference for assuming an equal hazard rate on the comparators beyond 36 months. The company's preference is to use a utility value provided by.

Firstly, the company draw attention to the number of patients remaining in the progression-free health-state on the dacomitinib arm, and thus receiving first line treatment. The company believes that the fact that ■■■ of dacomitinib patients are still receiving dacomitinib treatment at 36 months means that it is unreasonable to assume there is no overall survival (OS) benefit beyond this point. By comparison, there are ■■ remaining on treatment in the gefitinib arm, and ■■ in the afatinib arm at 36 months. It is worth noting that ■■■ of dacomitinib patients are alive at 36 months, the majority of which (■■■ vs ■■■) are in the post-progression health-state and not on first-line treatment. Given that there is a minority remaining on treatment, it further questions the company's preferred alternative scenario, where the treatment effect is not sustained, but increases across the time horizon, until the implementation of a hazard ratio of 1 from 71 months. Note also that the economic model did not account for the higher discontinuation rate which was observed in the dacomitinib arm of ARCHER 1050, nor does it consider the potential impact of later lines of treatment, both of which may confound long hazard rates.

Secondly, the company presents the results of an analysis performed on the post-progression survival data from ARCHER 1050, using the intention-to-treat (ITT) population. The company's results are potentially misleading as they have presented a 1-sided p-value which assumes the post-progression survival is greater for those on dacomitinib when hypothesis testing. Also, this is a post-hoc analysis, meaning the data were not collected with the aim of answering a question on post-progression survival. Whilst a 2-sided p-value would likely be much higher, even using the 1-sided p-value does not suggest any meaningful difference has been observed despite the lack of a

stated significance threshold. It is unclear to the ERG how the company can classify a scenario of equal post-progression survival times as worst case from this information. The company presents median post-progression survival times for both arms, but does not present any further supporting evidence such as Kaplan-Meier plots, mean survival estimates or confidence intervals. Thus it is difficult to ascertain the robustness of the apparent difference in median post-progression survival times.

Thirdly, the company repeated the analysis of post-progression survival data, considering only patients with an observed progression-free survival (PFS) event time, i.e. ignoring censored patients. Immediately this introduces an additional source of bias, and again the company presents a 1-sided p-value. Again, there are little data, and the analysis does not allow for any conclusion to be drawn. The company presents comparison of the median survival times for this new population but again, without additional supporting information, it is unclear whether these can be treated as reliable statistics for the true behaviour of post-progression survival.

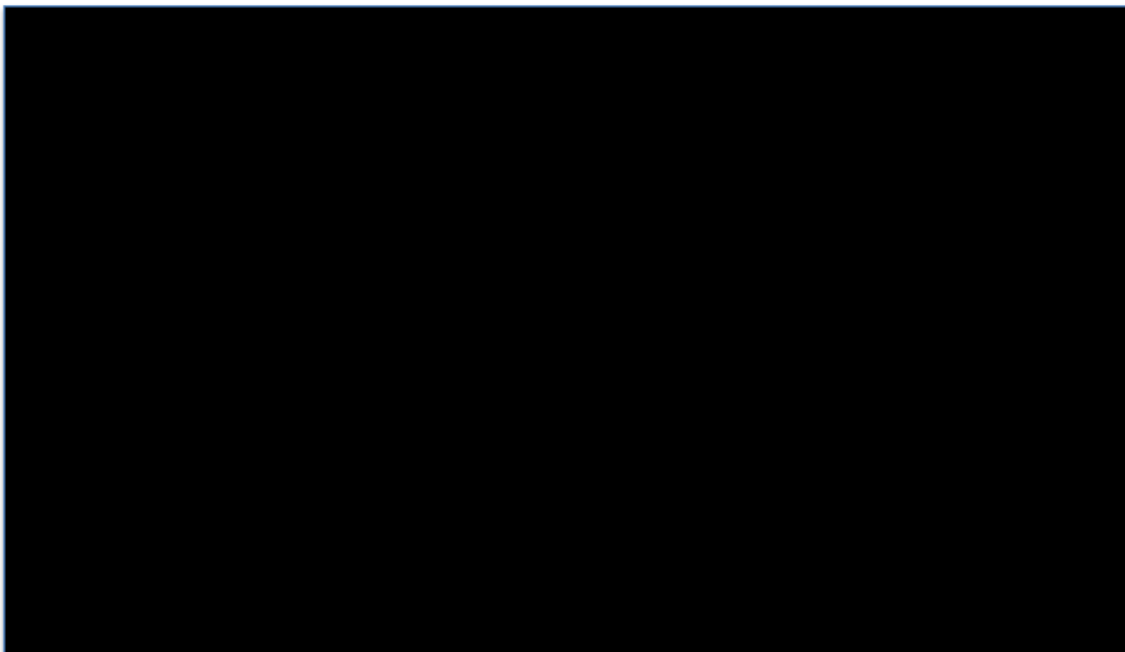
Fourthly, the company conducted an analysis comparing the post-progression survival times of three different groups of patients from the ARCHER 1050 trial, using methodology presented by Négrier et al. ¹ The groups were formed based on PFS event time, namely PFS < 7.3 months, PFS between 7.3 and 14.6 months, and PFS > 14.6 months. The analysis produced statistically significant hazard ratios between the three groups. However this is an analysis comparing three drastically different groups in terms of PFS survival without consideration of intervention received, and it is potentially misleading to extend to inferences between the two arms of the ARCHER 1050 trial, where the PFS differences are of a lesser degree.

The ERG acknowledge that the assumption of equal post-progression could be considered plausible, but maintain that the most relevant evidence from ARCHER 1050 does not support this view.

In response to the company's comments, the ERG would like to draw attention to the evidence that supported the initial selection of the hazard ratio=1 from 36 months. Both the company's fractional polynomial analysis to the trial data, and the ERG's restricted cubic spline analysis to the reconstructed data demonstrated a clear loss of the benefit of dacomitinib on the hazard scale within the observed period of the trial. In the company's best fitting second order fractional polynomial model (P1 = 1, P2 = 1.5), the hazard ratio between dacomitinib and gefitinib crossed 1 at roughly 27 months, and proceeding to increase sharply, with similar patterns reported for all other second

order models (Figure 1). Similarly, in the ERGs analysis, the hazard ratio crossed 1 at roughly 24 months before also increasing sharply (Figure 2).

As a sensitivity analysis, the ERG censored the survival times of the 10 most recent OS events in the dacomitinib arm of ARCHER 1050, which is all events beyond ■ months and equates to 10% of the total events that occurred in the dacomitinib arm (Figure 3). It is clear that the diminishment of dacomitinib efficacy on OS observed in the trial occurs before 31 months, thus implementing the hazard ratio from 36 months may not be conservative, but in line with the observed data.



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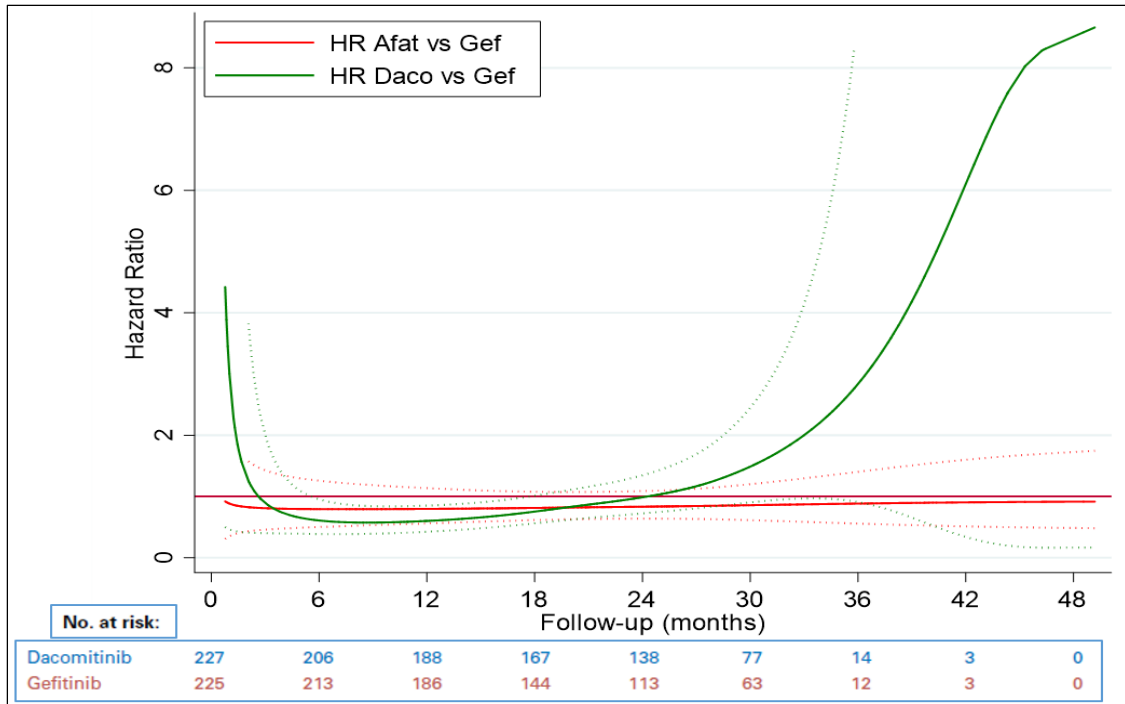


Figure 2: OS hazard ratio from spline model fitted to digitised data from ARCHER 1050² and LUX-Lung 7³

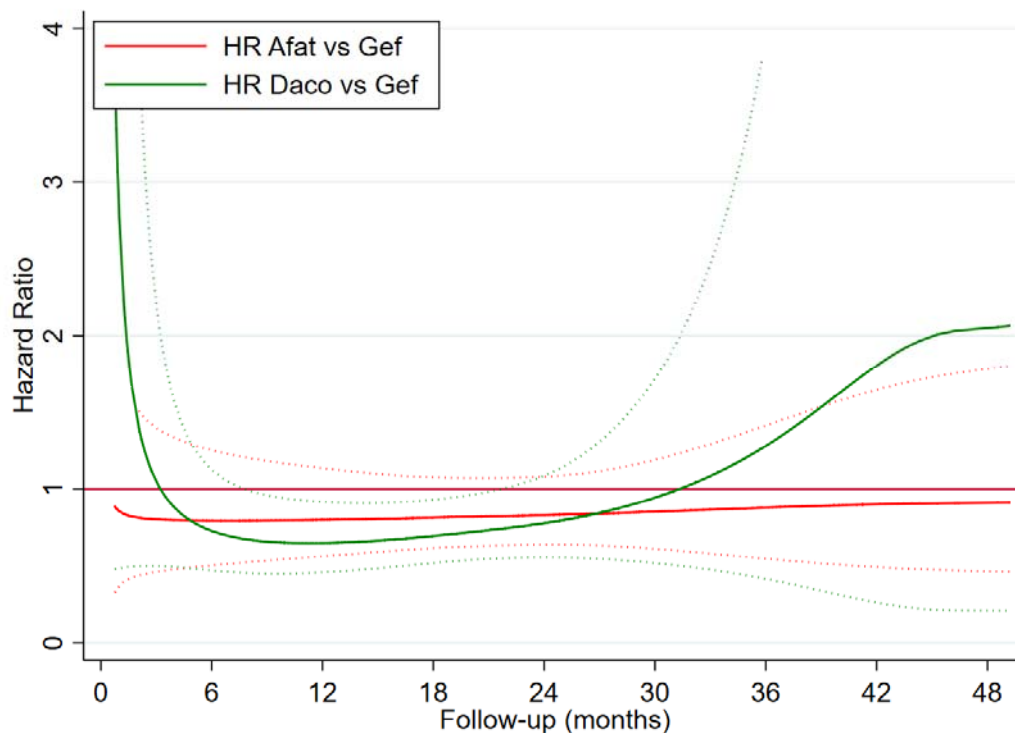


Figure 3: OS hazard ratio from spline model fitted to digitised data from ARCHER 1050² and LUX-Lung 7³ with the final 10 OS events on the dacomitinib arm instead censored at time of event.

1.2 Assumption 2: Progressed disease utility values from alternative sources.

In the second section, the company argues against the use of the committee’s and ERG’s preference to use the post-progression utility value of [redacted] based on data collected in the ARCHER 1050 trial. The company’s preferred source of a post-progression utility value is from Labbé et al.⁴

The ERG are aware that the utility value derived from ARCHER 1050² only captures a small amount of time following disease progression, however the patient population is the most relevant to this appraisal, in terms of disease stage and the interventions that they have received.

The company’s preferred utility value comes from Labbé et al. Whilst this study provides a utility value that covers a range of time following disease progression for EGFR positive patients using UK weighting, it is generated from a heterogeneous population. Most notably, the study includes

patients with stage I to IV disease, who had had previously received and currently receiving a wide range of interventions.

The ERG acknowledges that neither source is ideal, and that both have their merits. But it is the ERG's preference to remain with the value obtained from the ARCHER 1050 trial, as it is more consistent with the other values included in the model, which also come from the ARCHER 1050 trial.

2 Verification of the company's new analyses

2.1 Introduction

In this document, we verified the revised confidential discount for dacomitinib in the form of a simple patient access scheme (PAS) submitted on the 9th May 2019. Second, we verified the cost-effectiveness estimates submitted by the company. Third, we undertook further analyses as requested by NICE under the revised PAS for dacomitinib and assumed PAS for all comparators based on the company's new base-case assumptions, the committee's preferred assumptions and the ERG's preferred assumptions.

2.2 Verification of the revised PAS

The company revised the confidential discount for dacomitinib from ■■■ to ■■■, which reduces the list price of £2,703 per 30-table pack to ■■■. The discounted price accurately reflects the increase in the PAS.

2.2.1 Verification of the cost-effectiveness estimates submitted by the company

The company undertook further analyses using the list prices for afatinib and erlotinib, applying the PAS for gefitinib and dacomitinib, and making the following changes:

- No survival gain beyond 60 months
- No additional survival benefit beyond 71 months
- Using the post-progression utility value from Labbé et al.⁴

- Under the ERG's base-case assumptions
- No survival gain beyond 60 months and using the post-progression utility values from Labbé et al. ⁴
- No additional survival benefit beyond 71 months and using the post-progression utility values from Labbé et al. ⁴

Table 1: Deterministic results, no survival gain beyond 60 months

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Dacomitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Erlotinib	█	█	█	█	█
Afatinib	█	█	█	█	█

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

Table 2: Deterministic results, no additional survival benefit beyond 71 months

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Dacomitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Erlotinib	█	█	█	█	█
Afatinib	█	█	█	█	█

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

Table 3: Deterministic results, using the post-progression utility value from Labbé et al.

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Dacomitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Erlotinib	█	█	█	█	█
Afatinib	█	█	█	█	█

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

Table 4: Deterministic results, under the ERG's base-case assumptions

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Dacomitinib	█	█	█	█	█
Erlotinib	█	█	█	█	█
Afatinib	█	█	█	█	█

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

Table 5: Deterministic results, no survival gain beyond 60 months and using the post-progression utility values from Labbé et al.

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib					
Dacomitinib					
Erlotinib					
Afatinib					

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

Table 6: Deterministic results, no additional survival benefit beyond 71 months and using the post-progression utility values from Labbé et al.

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib					
Dacomitinib					
Erlotinib					
Afatinib					

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

In summary, the ERG's results presented in Table 1 to Table 6 were in good agreement with the company's results.

2.2.2 Verifying company revised base-case (2+3) and varying the discounts for erlotinib/afatinib

The company undertook analyses using the dacomitinib with PAS and varying discounts for erlotinib/afatinib under the following assumptions:

- No additional survival benefit beyond 71 months and
- Using Labbe et al.⁴ post-progression utility of 0.64

Under these assumptions, the ERG's verified analyses were in good agreement with the company's analyses. However, it should be noted that the ICER remained unchanged for the comparison between dacomitinib (under the revised PAS) versus gefitinib (with PAS).

3 ERG’s analyses under the revised PAS for dacomitinib and assumed PAS for all comparators

In section 3.1 through to section 3.3, we report the results based on the assumed comparator PAS versus the revised PAS for dacomitinib under the following assumptions:

- Company new base-case
 - No additional survival benefit beyond 71 months
 - Using the post-progression utility of 0.64 obtained from Labbé et al. ⁴
- Committee preferred assumptions
 - Equal post-progression (no survival benefit beyond 71 months)
 - Using the post-progression utility value of [REDACTED] derived from the ARCHER 1050 trial²
- ERG’s base-case
 - No additional survival benefit beyond 36 months
 - Using the post-progression utility value of [REDACTED] derived from the ARCHER 1050 trial

3.1 Deterministic results, under the company’s new base-case

The results in Table 7 show that under these assumptions, gefitinib is the least costly and is the least effective, while dacomitinib is the most costly and most effective treatment. Treatment with gefitinib dominates erlotinib, being cheaper but is equally as effective. The comparison between gefitinib and afatinib is extendedly dominated by the comparison between gefitinib and dacomitinib, with an ICER of approximately [REDACTED] per QALY.

Table 7: Deterministic results, under the company’s new base-case

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Erlotinib	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Afatinib	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Dacomitinib	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

3.2 Deterministic results, under the committee's preferred assumptions

These results in Table 8 show the impact of changing the post-progression utility value from 0.64 to 0.6. As expected, the mean expected costs across all strategies remained the same, while the expected mean QALYs yielded increased across all strategies. Erlotinib and afatinib continued to be dominated and extendedly dominated respectively, with the comparison between gefitinib and dacomitinib resulted in an ICER of approximately £10,000 per QALY gained.

Table 8: Deterministic results, under the committee's preferred assumptions

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	10000	0	1.0	0.0	-
Erlotinib	10000	0	0.8	0.0	-
Afatinib	10000	0	1.2	0.0	-
Dacomitinib	10000	0	1.1	0.0	10000

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

3.3 Deterministic results, under the ERG's preferred assumptions

Under these assumptions, it can be seen in Table 9 that reducing the survival benefit from 71 months to 36 months resulted in a decrease to the expected mean QALYs yielded for afatinib and dacomitinib. The incremental benefit between gefitinib and dacomitinib has reduced, which resulted in an increase to the ICER to approximately £15,000 per QALY gained.

Table 9: Deterministic results, under the ERG's preferred assumptions

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
Gefitinib	10000	0	1.0	0.0	-
Erlotinib	10000	0	0.8	0.0	-
Afatinib	10000	0	1.1	0.0	-
Dacomitinib	10000	0	0.9	0.0	15000

ICER, incremental cost-effectiveness ratio; QALY, quality adjusted life years gained

Under the revised PAS for dacomitinib and assumed PAS for all comparators the overall these results showed that the ICER for the comparison between gefitinib and dacomitinib ranged from approximately [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] per QALY.

Table 10: Scenario analysis, no additional survival benefit after 48 months, 60 months and equivalent post-progression between comparators (reported in terms of cost per QALY)

Treatment	Expected mean costs (£)	Incremental costs (£)	Pre-progression QALY	Post-progression QALY	Expected mean QALY	Incremental QALY	ICER (£)
ERG's preferred base-case assumptions							
Gefitinib							
Erlotinib							
Afatinib							
Dacomitinib							
Scenario 1: Hazard ratio = 1 from 48 months							
Gefitinib							
Erlotinib							
Afatinib							
Dacomitinib							
Scenario 2: Hazard ratio = 1 from 60 months							
Gefitinib							
Erlotinib							
Afatinib							
Dacomitinib							
Scenario 3 (Equivalent post-progression survival from ERG base case, by implementing hazard ratio = 1 from 71 months)							
Gefitinib							
Erlotinib							
Afatinib							
Dacomitinib							
QALY, quality adjusted life-years gained							

In Table 10, we present the results for the scenario analyses by changing the assumption about no survival benefit after 48 months, 60 months and 71 months for afatinib and dacomitinib compared to the ERG's base-case assumption of no survival benefit between afatinib and dacomitinib beyond 36 months. These results show that there is a greater increase in the expected mean QALYs yielded for afatinib and dacomitinib the later the equivalent survival benefit is implemented. The expected mean QALYs for dacomitinib assuming no survival benefit beyond 36 months was [REDACTED], which increased to [REDACTED] by assuming no survival benefit beyond 71 months. Increasing the time point from where there is no survival benefit reduced the ICER from approximately [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] per QALY for the comparison between dacomitinib and gefitinib. All other treatment strategies remained dominated or extendedly dominated.

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Please find our reply to Professor McVeigh’s queries below. We hope that you will find these helpful. Please do not hesitate to get in touch should there be any further questions.

Query 1. I understand at 3 years with █% alive and █% post progression and off initial Rx that the company assertion that the treatment effect of dacomitinib increases could be challenged. However, we are comparing with gefitinib with █% on Rx and afatinib with █% on Rx but as a proportion of the % alive (which I do not know). If an even higher % are post progression in the comparator arms and off 1st line Rx then, on a relative basis, is it not plausible the HR=1 at a later time point?

We agree with Professor McVeigh’s point, and can present output from the economic model which show a greater proportion of alive patients are on first line treatment in the dacomitinib population, than the comparators. We accept that on this single discussion point, it would potentially support an implementation of the HR=1 from later than 36 months, however, the differences are of a similar magnitude at 48 months. (~█% between treatments at 36 months compared with ~█% at 48 months)

We maintain that the observed data from ARCHER 1050 shows a clear loss of efficacy in terms of the OS hazard ratio, which was visible even when replacing the final ten events in the dacomitinib arm to instead be censored.

At 36 months we can confirm the following percentages of patients are in the following health states:

	% PFS at 36 months (% of alive)	% PPS at 36 months (% of alive)	% OS at 36 months
Dacomitinib	█	█	█
Gefitinib	█	█	█
Afatinib	█	█	█
Erlotinib	█	█	█

Repeating this at 48 months (without implementing the HR=1 at 36 months), you would obtain the following values:

	% PFS at 48 months (% of alive)	% PPS at 48 months (% of alive)	% OS at 48 months
Dacomitinib	██████████	██████████	██████
Gefitinib	██████████	██████████	██████
Afatinib	██████████	██████████	██████
Erlotinib	██████████	██████████	██████

Query 2. Just from a clinical perspective I cannot understand why the HR (fig 1) relationship for OS is so different for dacomitinib vs afatinib given they are both 2nd generation TKI inhibitors.

We also agree with the contrasting differences in behaviour of OS hazard ratios between afatinib and dacomitinib. This was something we commented on in our initial report, and led to us performing an

analysis using the OS curve from afatinib for dacomitinib. Also note that a significant difference

between afatinib and dacomitinib was not found from the company's network meta-analysis.

When performing the analysis as per the ERG base case but with afatinib OS used for dacomitinib,

with the new PAS, the ICER is in the region of £██████/QALY.

With Regards

The ERG team