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56	ABSTRACT
57	Introduction: Alectinib demonstrated clinical efficacy and an acceptable safety profile in two
58	phase II studies (NP28761 and NP28673). Here we report pooled efficacy and safety data
59	after 15 and 18 months' longer follow-up than the respective primary analyses.
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61	Materials and methods: Enrolled patients had ALK-positive NSCLC and had progressed
62	on, or were intolerant to, crizotinib. Patients received oral alectinib 600 mg twice daily. The
63	primary endpoint in both studies was objective response rate (ORR) assessed by an
64	independent review committee (IRC) using Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors
65	(RECIST v1.1). Secondary endpoints included disease control rate (DCR); duration of
66	response (DOR); progression-free survival (PFS); overall survival (OS); and safety.
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68	Results: The pooled dataset included 225 patients (n=138 NP28673; n=87 NP28761). The
69	response-evaluable (RE) population included 189 patients (84%; n=122 NP28673; n=67
70	NP28761). In the RE population, ORR by IRC was 51.3% (95% confidence interval [CI],
71	44.0–58.6; all partial responses), DCR was 78.8% (95% CI, 72.3–84.4), and median DOR
72	was 14.9 months (95% CI, 11.1–20.4) after 58% of events. Median PFS by IRC was 8.3
73	months (95% CI, 7.0–11.3) and median OS was 26.0 months (95% CI, 21.4–not estimable).
74	Grade ≥3 adverse events (AEs) occurred in 40% of patients, 6% withdrew treatment due to
75	AEs and 33% had AEs leading to dose interruptions/modification.
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77	Conclusion: This pooled data analysis confirmed the robust systemic efficacy of alectinib in
78	ALK-positive NSCLC with a durable response rate. Alectinib also had an acceptable safety
79	profile with a longer duration of follow-up.

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Key Words: Alectinib; Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer; NP28673; NP28761; Pooled Analysis.

INTRODUCTION

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84	Non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) harboring a chromosomal rearrangement of the
85	anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK) gene (ALK-positive NSCLC), represents a distinct
86	molecular subset of the disease, which affects approximately 5% of patients. ¹ Crizotinib is
87	the current standard of care for ALK-positive NSCLC and has extended progression-free
88	survival (PFS) compared with cytotoxic chemotherapy (10.9 months versus 7.7 months,
89	respectively) in the first- and second-line treatment setting. ^{2,3} Unfortunately, almost half of
90	crizotinib-treated patients relapse within the first year. This is usually as a result of poor
91	control of disease within the central nervous system (CNS), which is the most common site
92	of disease progression (PD), ^{4,5} or due to secondary <i>ALK</i> resistance mutations. ^{6,7,8}
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94	Second-generation ALK inhibitors have been developed with the aim of improving efficacy in
95	patients with ALK-positive NSCLC, including those with CNS metastases. The ALK inhibitor
96	ceritinib was granted accelerated approval by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in
97	2014 for use in patients with ALK-positive, metastatic NSCLC who had progressed on, or
98	were intolerant to, crizotinib.9 The European Medicines Agency (EMA) subsequently
99	approved ceritinib in 2015 for use in the same indication. ¹⁰ The approvals were based on a
100	phase I and phase II study of ceritinib in patients with ALK-positive NSCLC, which
101	demonstrated median PFS of 5.7–6.9 months and objective response rates (ORRs) of 39–
102	56%. ^{11,12} Recently, the FDA approval was extended to treatment-naïve patients with
103	metastatic ALK-positive NSCLC. ¹³ The extended approval was based on results from the
104	ASCEND-4 trial, which demonstrated superior PFS with ceritinib versus platinum-
105	pemetrexed doublet chemotherapy in patients with treatment-naïve, ALK-positive NSCLC
106	(median 16.6 vs 8.1 months; hazard ratio [HR] 0.55, 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.42-0.73;
107	p<0.0001); ¹⁴ a similar trend was observed in patients with CNS metastases at baseline, but
108	this was not significant. ORRs were improved with ceritinib versus chemotherapy,
109	respectively, in the overall study population (73% vs 27%) and in those with measurable
110	CNS disease at baseline (46% vs 21%). ¹⁴

Alectinib is a potent and highly selective ALK inhibitor that has demonstrated both systemic 112 and CNS efficacy in ALK-positive NSCLC in a number of studies.^{15–18} Alectinib was 113 approved in Japan in 2014, for the treatment of ALK inhibitor-naïve patients with ALK-114 115 positive NSCLC, following results of a phase I/II study (AF001-JP). This study reported a high ORR of 93.5% (95% CI 82–99); follow-up for this study is still ongoing with a 3-year 116 PFS rate of 62% (95% CI 45–75).¹⁹ Similarly, significant clinical activity was reported with 117 alectinib in two pivotal phase II studies, one global (NP28673; NCT01801111) and one North 118 American (NP28761: NCT01871805), in patients with ALK-positive NSCLC who had 119 received prior crizotinib. ORRs of 50.8% (95% CI 41.6-60.0) and 52.2% (95% CI 39.7-64.6) 120 were observed in NP28673 and NP28761, respectively (data cut-off 27 April 2015), with 121 median durations of response (DOR) of 14.1 months (95% CI 10.9-not estimable [NE]; 44% 122 of events) and 13.5 months (95% CI 6.7-NE; 40% of events), respectively. Alectinib was 123 well tolerated in the global and North American studies, as reflected by the rates of dose 124 interruptions (23% and 36%, respectively), dose reductions (10% and 16%) and withdrawals 125 due to adverse events (AEs) (9% and 2%, respectively) reported (27 April 2015 data cut-126 off).^{17,18} Data from these two phase II studies led to the accelerated approval of alectinib in 127 2015 by the FDA for the treatment of patients with ALK-positive NSCLC who have 128 progressed on, or are intolerant to, crizotinib.²⁰ Alectinib has also received conditional 129 approval for the same patient population from the EMA. Data from the first-line, phase III, 130 global ALEX study demonstrated that patients treated with alectinib had a longer PFS than 131 patients treated with crizotinib.²¹ 132

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Here, we present pooled efficacy and safety analyses from these phase II studies with 15
and 18 months' longer follow-up than the respective primary analyses for NP28761 (data
cut-off of 22 January 2016 versus 24 October 2014) and NP28673 (data cut-off of 1
February 2016 versus18 August 2014).

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METHODS

139 Study Design

140 NP28673 and NP28761 were phase II, single-arm, open-label, multicenter studies. NP28673 was conducted across 16 countries at 56 sites and patients were enrolled between 141 20 June 2013 and 23 April 2014. NP28761 was undertaken in 27 centers across the USA 142 143 and Canada, with patients enrolled between 3 May 2012 and 4 August 2014; this timeframe 144 also included a phase I dose-finding step, hence, the phase II portion of the study commenced on 4 September 2013. Both studies were undertaken in accordance with the 145 principles of the Declaration of Helsinki and Good Clinical Practice Guidelines, and written 146 informed consent was obtained from all patients. Full methodology for each study has been 147 published previously.^{17,18} 148

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150 Eligibility Criteria

Both studies enrolled patients who were aged ≥18 years, with locally advanced or 151 metastatic ALK-positive NSCLC as assessed by an FDA-approved fluorescence in situ 152 hybridization test. Eligible patients had an Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) 153 performance status (PS) of ≤2, and had progressed on crizotinib. Patients with 154 155 asymptomatic baseline CNS metastases (treated or untreated with radiation) and those who had received prior chemotherapy were permitted to enroll into both studies. Patients were 156 excluded if they had received prior ALK inhibitor treatment other than crizotinib. 157 158 Study Treatment 159

All patients received 600 mg oral alectinib twice daily with a meal, until PD,

unacceptable toxicity, withdrawal or death. In both studies there was a minimum washout

162 period of 7 days between the last dose of crizotinib and the first dose of alectinib.

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164 Study Endpoints

165 The primary endpoint of the pooled analysis was ORR assessed by an Independent 166 Review Committee (IRC) using Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors (RECIST)

167	v1.1. The secondary endpoints for both studies included disease control rate (DCR), DOR
168	PFS, overall survival (OS), and safety. CNS secondary endpoints were also evaluated
169	including CNS ORR and CNS DOR, and will be reported in a separate analysis.

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171 Statistical Analysis

172 Response endpoints were assessed in the response-evaluable (RE) population, 173 which comprised patients with measurable disease at baseline who received at least one 174 dose of alectinib. The safety population comprised all patients who received at least one 175 dose of alectinib. ORR was defined as the proportion of patients achieving a best overall response of confirmed complete response (CR) or partial response (PR) in the RE 176 population. PFS and OS were assessed in the safety population. PFS was calculated from 177 the date of first dose of alectinib until PD or death. OS was calculated from the date of first 178 179 dose of alectinib until death. Time-to-event data (PFS, OS and DOR) were estimated using Kaplan-Meier analyses. 180

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183 Patients

The pooled dataset comprised 225 patients (138 patients from study NP28673 and 87 patients from study NP28761) (Supplementary Fig. 1). The RE population according to IRC included 189 patients (84%), comprising 122 patients from study NP28673 and 67 patients from study NP28761. Baseline characteristics were similar across both studies (Table 1). Briefly, median patient age was 53 years (range, 22–79); 67% of patients had an ECOG PS of 1/2 and the majority of patients were White (74%). Overall, 136 (60%) patients had baseline CNS metastases and 174 (77%) had received prior chemotherapy (Table 1).

RESULTS

192 Efficacy

At the data cut-off (NP28673:1 February 2016 and NP28761: 22 January 2016), median follow-up for the pooled dataset was 18.8 months (range 0.6–29.7). In the RE

population, the ORR by IRC was 51.3% (95% CI 44.0–58.6), with 97/189 patients achieving
a PR and there were no CRs. Stable disease (SD) was reported in 52/189 patients (28%)
giving a DCR of 78.8% (95% CI 72.3–84.4). Median DOR was 14.9 months (95% CI 11.1–
20.4) after 58% of events.

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200 Of the patients who had received prior chemotherapy in the RE population (n=148), 73

201 (49%) achieved a PR; there were no CRs, giving an IRC-assessed ORR of 49.3% (95% CI

41.0–57.7). In total, 44/148 patients had SD (30%), resulting in a DCR of 79.1% (95% CI

203 71.6–85.3). The median DOR in this subgroup was also 14.9 months (95% CI 11.0–21.9)

based on 59% of events.

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Overall, 24/41 (59%) chemotherapy-naïve patients in the RE population achieved a PR;
there were no CRs, giving an IRC-assessed ORR of 58.5% (95% CI 42.1–73.7). SD was
reported in 8/41 patients (20%) giving a DCR in this population of 78.0% (95% CI 62.4–
89.4). The median DOR was 11.2 months (95% CI 8.0–NE) after 54% of events.

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A subgroup analysis of IRC-assessed ORR was performed to evaluate different prognostic 211 factors, including gender, race, ECOG PS, CNS metastases at baseline, smoking status and 212 prior chemotherapy. Objective response rates were generally consistent across most 213 subgroups. Patients with an ECOG PS 0 had a numerically higher response rate compared 214 with patients with ECOG PS 1 or 2 (65.6% [95% CI 52.3-77.3] versus 45.0% [95% CI 35.6-215 54.8] or 41.2% [95% Cl 18.4–67.1], respectively). The analysis also showed a higher 216 response rate in patients who were never-smokers at baseline compared with those who 217 were past smokers (55.9% [95% CI 46.8-64.7] versus 39.0% [95% CI 26.5-52.6], 218 respectively) (Table 2). However, it should be noted that the subgroups were relatively small 219 and confidence intervals were overlapping. 220

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In the pooled population, 156/225 patients (69%) had a PFS event according to the IRC at

223 the data cut-off. The median PFS was 8.3 months (95% CI 7.0–11.3) (Fig. 1) and the 6 month event-free rate was 59.9% (95% CI 53.5-66.4). For patients who had only received 224 crizotinib treatment prior to receiving alectinib (51/225; 23%), the median PFS was 8.4 225 months (95% 5.6–16.6). With regards to OS, 96/225 patients (43%) had an OS event at the 226 227 data cut-off. The median OS was 26.0 months (95% CI 21.4-NE) and the 6 month eventfree rate was 85.3% (95% CI 80.6-89.9) (Fig. 2). 228 229 Safety 230 Safety was evaluated in the pooled safety population of 225 patients (138 patients 231 from study NP28673 and 87 patients from study NP28761). The mean dose intensity of 232 alectinib was 94.1%. 233 234 AEs occurring at a frequency of >20% (any grade) were constipation (38%), fatigue (34%), 235 peripheral edema (28%), myalgia (25%), nausea (23%), cough (21%) and headache (21%). 236 A summary of AEs occurring at a frequency of >10% are shown in Table 3. Grade 3–5 AEs 237

occurred in 40% of patients and the most common were dyspnea (4%), elevated levels of

blood creatine phosphokinase (4%), alanine aminotransferase (3%) and aspartate

aminotransferase (3%). Seven patients (3%) died during the study, including two cases of

241 hemorrhage and one case each of dyspnea, endocarditis, intestinal perforation, pulmonary

embolism, and unspecified death. Only two deaths (1%) were considered by the investigatorto be treatment-related (hemorrhage and intestinal perforation).

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AEs leading to dose modification or interruptions occurred in 33% of patients (n=75), while AEs leading to treatment withdrawal were reported in 6% of patients (n=14) (Table 4).

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DISCUSSION

Alectinib has demonstrated clinical systemic and CNS efficacy in two pivotal phase II trials, achieving high response rates and durable responses.^{17,18} In the present analysis,

efficacy and safety data were pooled from these phase II trials, with 15 and 18 months'
longer follow-up for NP28761 and NP28673, respectively. These data confirmed the clinical
activity and acceptable safety profile of alectinib in patients with *ALK*-positive NSCLC,
following treatment with crizotinib.

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256 Despite the differences in standard-of-care for ALK-positive NSCLC between the USA and

the rest of the world, the patient populations in NP28761 and NP28673 were very similar,

with 80% and 74% of patients progressing on prior chemotherapy and crizotinib,

respectively. Other baseline characteristics were also very similar across the two studies
including patient age (median 54 versus 52 years); proportion of male patients (45 versus
44%); patients with an ECOG PS of 0/1 (90 versus 91%) and patients with baseline CNS
disease (60 versus 61%) in the North American and global studies respectively, supporting
the rationale for combining these datasets.

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The ORR of 51.3% that we observed in the present analysis is consistent with the ORRs reported in the individual primary and updated analyses of NP28673 (49.2% and 50.8%, respectively) and NP28761 (47.8% and 52.2%, respectively).^{17,18} In this pooled analysis, alectinib demonstrated efficacy regardless of prior treatment with chemotherapy, with an ORR of 49.3% for patients who received prior chemotherapy compared with 58.5% in patients who were chemotherapy-naïve.

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Overall, the safety profile of alectinib in this pooled analysis was consistent with data
reported in the primary publications.^{17,18} Alectinib was well tolerated and the majority of AEs
were grade 1/2 in severity, with only 1% of deaths reported as being treatment related.
During the pooling of these study data, exposure-response analysis was also performed.
Multivariate logistic regression and Cox proportional hazards analyses of the efficacy data
demonstrated no statistically significant relationship between alectinib exposure and best
overall response or PFS across the two studies, and logistic regression analysis

demonstrated no statistically significant relationship between alectinib exposure and safety
endpoints.²² These exploratory analyses confirm that the alectinib dosing regimen of 600 mg
twice daily provides exposures within the expected plateau range of response, supporting its
selection as the global dosing regimen.

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Crizotinib was the first ALK inhibitor to be approved for the treatment of ALK-positive NSCLC 284 and is the current standard of care. Crizotinib prolongs PFS, increases ORR and shows a 285 greater improvement in global quality of life compared to chemotherapy in both previously-286 treated and treatment-naïve, ALK-positive NSCLC.^{2,3} Ceritinib was also approved for the 287 treatment of crizotinib-pretreated patients with ALK-positive NSCLC, after achieving ORR 288 rates of 39–56% and a median PFS of 5.7–6.9 months in phase I and II studies.^{11,12} 289 290 Recently, ceritinib was also approved in the first-line setting for patients with ALK-positive NSCLC, based on superior PFS and ORRs versus chemotherapy reported in the ASCEND-4 291 trial.¹⁴ The ORR and PFS for ceritinib are comparable with those of alectinib in this pooled 292 analysis, but in the ASCEND-2 trial,¹² ceritinib was associated with high rates of dose 293 294 interruptions (76%), modifications or discontinuations (54%). In contrast, alectinib 295 demonstrated an acceptable safety profile and good tolerability in this pooled analysis, as 296 reflected by the rates of dose interruptions and modifications (33%) and low withdrawal rates (6%). A recent study of the ALK inhibitor brigatinib, in the same setting as the two alectinib 297 studies presented here, showed ORR of 45–54% and median PFS of 9.2–12.9 months with 298 doses of 90 mg once daily (q.d) or 90 mg q.d for 7 days followed by 180 mg q.d, 299 respectively. Compared with alectinib, brigatinib showed comparable rates of dose 300 reductions (7%) and dose interruptions (18%) due to AEs at the lower dose, however, at the 301 higher dose, brigatinib showed greater rates of dose reductions (20%), dose interruptions 302 (36%) and discontinuations (8%).²³ 303

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Here we report the systemic efficacy and safety of the pooled population, while an analysis
of the activity of alectinib on CNS metastases in this pooled dataset has recently been

published.²⁴ Alectinib achieved a CNS ORR of 64.0% (95% CI 49.2–77.1) with a CNS DCR
of 90.0% (95% CI 78.2–96.7) and CNS DOR of 10.8 months (95% CI 78.2–90.8), showing
good CNS efficacy.

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311 Two ongoing phase III studies are directly comparing the efficacy of alectinib with crizotinib in patients with ALK inhibitor-naïve ALK-positive NSCLC (ALEX, NCT02075840; J-ALEX, 312 JapicCTI-132316). Following an interim analysis, results from the J-ALEX study were 313 released early, as the primary endpoint of PFS demonstrated superiority compared with 314 crizotinib treatment (HR 0.34 [99.6826% CI 0.17-0.70, stratified log-rank p<0.0001]; median 315 PFS not reached [95% CI 20.3-NE] versus 10.2 months [95% CI 8.2-12.0], for alectinib 316 versus crizotinib).^{25, 24} Grade 3/4 AEs were observed at a greater frequency in the crizotinib 317 arm (52%) compared with the alectinib arm (27%) and rates of drug interruptions were lower 318 with alectinib than with crizotinib (29% versus 74%, respectively). Primary data from the 319 global ALEX study also showed that alectinib had a superior PFS compared with crizotinib 320 (12-month event-free survival rate, 68.4% [95% CI, 61.0-75.9] with alectinib versus 48.7% 321 [95% CI, 40.4–56.9] with crizotinib.²¹ 322

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In conclusion, results from this pooled analysis showed that alectinib 600 mg twice daily demonstrated clinical activity and was well tolerated in patients with *ALK*-positive NSCLC who had progressed on crizotinib. Efficacy was shown in patients who had received prior chemotherapy as well as in those who were chemotherapy-naïve.

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418 **TABLE 1.** Demographic and Baseline Characteristics of the Pooled Population (ITT

419 Population)

	NP28761	NP28673	Difference	Pooled
	(n=87)	(n=138)	Between	Population
			Cohorts, %	(N=225)
Median age, years (range)	54 (29–79)	52 (22–79)	2 years	53 (22–79)
Sex, n (%)				
Male	39 (45)	61 (44)	1	100 (44)
Female	48 (55)	77 (56)	1	125 (56)
ECOG PS, n (%)				
0	30 (34)	44 (32)	2	74 (33)
1	48 (55)	81 (59)	4	129 (57)
2	9 (10)	13 (9)	1	22 (10)
Race, n (%)	\sim			
White	73 (84)	93 (67)	17	166 (74)
Asian	7 (8)	36 (26)	18	43 (19)
Other	3 (3)	4 (3)	0	7 (3)
Black/African American	3 (3)	1 (0.7)	2.3	4 (2)
Multiple	1 (1)	0 (0)	1	7 (3)
Unknown	0	3 (2)	2	1 (0.4)
American Indian/Alaska	0	1 (0.7)	0.7	1 (0.4)
Native				

CNS metastases, n (%)				
Yes	52 (60)	84 (61)	1	136 (60)
No	35 (40)	54 (39)	1	89 (40)
Histology, n (%)			_	
Adenocarcinoma	82 (94)	133 (96)	2	215 (96)
Other	5 (6)	5 (4)	2	10 (4)
Prior chemotherapy, n (%)				
Yes	64 (74)	110 (80)	6	174 (77)
No	23 (26)	28 (20)	6	51 (23)
Crizotinib + prior therapies		\sim		
Crizotinib only	23 (26)	28 (20)	6	51 (23)
+1 therapy	0	52 (38)	38	52 (23)
+2 therapies	19 (22)	16 (12)	10	35 (16)
+3 therapies	18 (21)	17 (12)	9	35 (16)
+4 therapies	14 (16)	16 (12)	4	30 (13)
+5 therapies	8 (9)	4 (3)	6	12 (5)
≥6 therapies	5 (6)	5 (4)	2	10 (4)
Smoking status				
Active smoker	0	3 (2)	2	3 (1)
Past smoker	33 (38)	39 (28)	10	72 (32)
Never-smoker	54 (62)	96 (70)	8	150 (67)

420 CNS, central nervous system; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; PS,

421 performance status.

422 **TABLE 2.** Subgroup Analyses of IRC Objective Response Rate in the Pooled Population

423 (IRC RE Population)

	Patients Per	Responders Per Subgroup		
	Subgroup (n=189)	n (%)	95% CI	
Sex				
Male	88	46 (52.3)	41.4–63.0	
Female	101	51 (50.5)	40.4–60.6	
Race		Ċ		
White	137	70 (51.1)	42.4–59.7	
Asian	38	23 (60.5)	43.4–76.0	
Other	14	4 (28.6)	8.4–58.1	
ECOG PS at baseline				
0	61	40 (65.6)	52.3–77.3	
1	111	50 (45.0)	35.6–54.8	
2	17	7 (41.2)	18.4–67.1	
CNS metastases at				
baseline	113	55 (48.7)	39.2–58.3	
Yes	76	42 (55.3)	43.4–66.7	
No				
Prior chemotherapy				
Yes	148	73 (49.3)	41.0–57.7	
No	41	24 (58.5)	42.1–73.7	
Number of prior regimens				
1–2	89	48 (53.9)	43.0–64.6	
3–9	100	49 (49.0)	38.9–59.2	
Smoking status at screening				

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3	3 (100.0)	29.2–100.0
59	23 (39.0)	26.5–52.6
127	71 (55.9)	46.8–64.7
105	48 (45.7)	36.0–55.7
84	49 (58.3)	47.1–69.0
1	1 (100)	2.5–100.0
84	50 (59.5)	48.3–70.1
43	19 (44.2)	29.1–60.1
47	21 (44.7)	30.2–59.9
14	6 (42.9)	17.7–71.1
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425 CI, confidence interval; CNS, central nervous system; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative

426 Oncology Group; NE, not evaluable; N/A, not applicable; PS, performance status; RE,

427	response evaluable.
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435	Table 3. Adverse Events with an Incidence Rate of >10% in the Pooled Studies (ITT
436	Population)

			Difference	Pooled
	NP28761	NP28673	Between	Population
Adverse Event, n (%)	(n=87)	(n=138)	Cohorts, %	(N=225)
Patients with ≥1 adverse event	84 (97)	135 (98)	1	219 (97)
Constipation	32 (37)	53 (38)	1	85 (38)
Fatigue	33 (38)	43 (31)	7	76 (34)
Peripheral edema	22 (25)	41 (30)	5	63 (28)
Myalgia	22 (25)	35 (25)	0	57 (25)
Nausea	21 (24)	30 (22)	2	51 (23)
Cough	18 (21)	30 (22)	1	48 (21)
Headache	21 (24)	26 (19)	5	47 (21)
Diarrhea	20 (23)	22 (16)	7	42 (19)
Dyspnea	17 (20)	23 (17)	3	40 (18)
Increased aspartate	18 (21)	18 (13)	8	36 (16)
aminotransferase				
Anemia	17 (20)	16 (12)	8	33 (15)
Weight increased	16 (18)	17 (12)	6	33 (15)
Asthenia	2 (2)	30 (22)	20	32 (14)
Upper respiratory tract infection	13 (15)	19 (14)	1	32 (14)
Vomiting	11 (13)	21 (15)	2	32 (14)
Increased alanine	16 (18)	15 (11)	7	31 (14)
aminotransferase				
Rash	8 (9)	22 (16)	7	30 (13)

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Back pain	10 (11)	18 (13)	2	28 (12)
Increased blood bilirubin	9 (10)	18 (13)	3	27 (12)
Increased blood creatinine	20 (23)	6 (4)	19	26 (12)
phosphokinase				
Dizziness	11 (13)	15 (11)	2	26 (12)
Photosensitivity reaction	10 (11)	16 (12)	1	26 (12)
Arthralgia	10 (11)	15 (11)	0	25 (11)
Insomnia	11 (13)	12 (9)	4	23 (10)
Decreased appetite	5 (6)	17 (12)	6	22 (10)
Upper abdominal pain	4 (5)	17 (12)	7	21 (9)
Nasopharyngitis	3 (3)	16 (12)	9	19 (8)
Increased blood alkaline	12 (14)	5 (4)	10	17 (8)
phosphatase		Y		
Hypokalemia	9 (10)	7 (5)	5	16 (7)
Oropharyngeal pain	2 (2)	14 (10)	8	16 (7)
Hypertriglyceridemia	11 (13)	0	13	11 (5)
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Table 4. Adverse Events Leading to Dose Modification, Interruption or Withdrawal in the

441 Pooled Studies (ITT Population).

	NP28761	NP28673	Pooled Population
Outcome, n (%)	(n=87)	(n=138)	(N=225)
AE leading to withdrawal from	2 (2)	12 (0)	14 (6)
study	2 (2)	12 (9)	14 (0)
AE leading to withdrawal from			
treatment	2 (2)	12 (9)	14 (6)
AE leading to dose			
modification or interruption	37 (43)	38 (28)	75 (33)
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Serious AE leading to			
withdrawal from treatment	1 (1)	8 (6)	9 (4)
Serious AE leading to dose			
modification or interruption	9 (10)	13 (9)	22 (10)
Related AE leading to			
withdrawal from treatment	2 (2)	8 (6)	10 (4)
Related AE leading to dose			
modification or interruption	24 (28)	23 (17)	47 (21)

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FIGURE 1. IRC Progression-free survival of the pooled population (ITT Population, N=225).

FIGURE 2. Overall survival of the pooled population (ITT Population, N=225).

454 SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 1. CONSORT diagram

- ^{*}IRC RE population defined as patients with measurable disease at baseline according to the IRC.
- 456 (Not possible to include information regarding the reason for treatment discontinuations in either
- 457 study, as these data are not availble).

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