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I. Length of Authorization

Coverage is provided for 6 months and may be renewed.

II. Dosing Limits

- A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:
 - Abraxane 100 mg powder for injection SDV: 9 vials per 21 day supply
- B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:
 - 900 billable units per 21 days

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

Patient is at least 18 years of age; AND

Breast Cancer † 1-3,9,21,16e,18e-20e,22e,30e,121e,126e,130e

- Used as a single agent after failure on combination chemotherapy for metastatic disease or relapsed within 6 months of adjuvant therapy †; AND
 - o Previous chemotherapy included an anthracycline unless clinically contraindicated; OR
- Patient has recurrent unresectable (local or regional) or metastatic (stage IV [M1]) disease ‡;
 AND
 - Used as a single agent for previously treated disease; AND
 - Disease is HER2-negative; AND
 - Disease is hormone receptor-negative; OR
 - Disease is hormone receptor-positive and patient is refractory to endocrine therapy or has a visceral crisis; OR



- Used in combination with carboplatin as first-line therapy in patients with triple negative
 breast cancer with high tumor burden, rapidly progressing disease, and visceral crisis; AND
 - Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
- Used in combination with pertuzumab and trastuzumab as first-line therapy for disease that is HER2-positive; AND
 - Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
- Used as first-line therapy for PD-L1 positive triple negative disease ‡; AND
 - Used in combination with one of the following:
 - Atezolizumab in patients with PD-L1 ≥1% on tumor-infiltrating cells; OR
 - Pembrolizumab in patients with a Combined Positive Score (CPS) ≥10

-OR- ‡

- Used in neoadjuvant therapy; OR
- Used in adjuvant therapy; AND
 - (For adjuvant therapy only) Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications

Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) † 1,2,4,10,26e,27e,30e,43e,122e,129e,131e,134e

- Used as first-line therapy for locally advanced or metastatic disease, in combination with carboplatin, in patients who are not candidates for curative surgery or radiation therapy †; AND
 - Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
- Used for recurrent, advanced, or metastatic disease (excluding locoregional recurrence or symptomatic local disease with no evidence of disseminated disease) or mediastinal lymph node recurrence with prior radiation therapy; AND
 - Used as first-line therapy; AND
 - Used in combination with carboplatin AND pembrolizumab (for squamous cell histology) or atezolizumab (for non-squamous histology); AND
 - ➤ Used in patients with EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, NTRK1/2/3, MET exon 14 skipping mutation, and RET rearrangement negative* tumors and one of the following:
 - PD-L1 <1% with performance status (PS) score of ≤1
 - PD-L1 expression positive (≥1%) tumors with PS ≤2; AND



- (In combination with carboplatin and pembrolizumab ONLY): Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
- Used in patients with BRAF V600E-mutation, NTRK1/2/3 gene fusion, or MET exon 14 skipping mutation AND PS score of ≤1; AND
 - (In combination with carboplatin and pembrolizumab ONLY): Patient
 experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel
 despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to
 standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
- Used in combination with carboplatin in patients with contraindications to PD-1 or PD-L1 inhibitors (PS score of ≤2) or as a single agent (PS 2); AND
 - Used for one of the following:
 - Patients with EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, NTRK1/2/3, MET exon 14 skipping mutation, and RET rearrangement negative* tumors AND PD-L1 <1%
 - Patients with BRAF V600E-mutation, NTRK1/2/3 gene fusion, MET exon 14 skipping mutation, or RET rearrangement positive tumors;
 AND
 - Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
- Used as subsequent therapy; AND
 - Used in combination with carboplatin AND pembrolizumab (for squamous cell histology) or atezolizumab (for non-squamous histology) in patients with PS score of ≤1; AND
 - Used for one of the following:
 - Patients with BRAF V600E-mutation, NTRK1/2/3 gene fusion, or
 MET exon 14 skipping mutation positive tumors
 - Patients with ROS1 rearrangement positive tumors who received prior targeted therapy§ for those aberrations; AND
 - (In combination with carboplatin and pembrolizumab ONLY): Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications; OR
 - Used in combination with carboplatin in patients with contraindications to PD-1 or PD-L1 inhibitors (PS score of ≤2) or as a single agent (PS 2) AND one of the following;
 AND
 - Used for one of the following:



- Patients with BRAF V600E-mutation, NTRK1/2/3 gene fusion, MET exon 14 skipping mutation, or RET rearrangement positive tumors
- Patients with EGFR, ALK, or ROS1 rearrangement positive tumors who received prior targeted therapy§ for those aberrations
- Patients with PD-L1 expression-positive (≥1%) tumors that are EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, NTRK1/2/3, MET exon 14 skipping mutation, and RET rearrangement negative* with prior PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitor therapy but no prior platinum-doublet chemotherapy; AND
- Patient experienced a hypersensitivity reaction to paclitaxel or docetaxel despite premedication or the patient has contraindications to standard hypersensitivity premedications

* Note: If there is insufficient tissue to allow testing for all of EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, NTRK1/2/3, MET, and RET, repeat biopsy and/or plasma testing should be done. If these are not feasible, treatment is guided by available results and, if unknown, these patients are treated as though they do not have driver oncogenes.

Ovarian Cancer (Epithelial Ovarian/Fallopian Tube/Primary Peritoneal) ‡ 2,8,22,52e,59e,61e

- Patient has recurrent or persistent disease; AND
- Patient is not experiencing an immediate biochemical relapse (i.e., rising CA-125 without radiographic evidence of disease); AND
 - Used as a single agent; AND
 - Patient has platinum-resistant disease and one of the following:
 - Used for progression on primary, maintenance, or recurrence therapy;
 OR
 - Used for stable or persistent disease if not currently on maintenance therapy; OR
 - Used for relapsed disease <6 months following complete remission from prior chemotherapy; OR
 - Patient has platinum-sensitive disease; AND
 - ➤ Used for radiographic and/or clinical relapse ≥6 months after complete remission from prior chemotherapy; OR
 - Used in combination with carboplatin if platinum-sensitive with confirmed taxane hypersensitivity; AND
 - Used for relapse ≥6 months after complete remission from prior chemotherapy

Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma † Φ 1,2,5-7,24,68e,69e,72e

- Used in combination with gemcitabine; AND
 - Patient has locally advanced or metastatic disease; AND
 - Used as first-line therapy; AND



- Patient must not be a candidate for treatment with FOLFIRINOX (i.e., has a contraindication, intolerance, or ECOG 2); OR
- Used as induction therapy followed by chemoradiation (locally advanced disease only); AND
 - Patient must not be a candidate for treatment with FOLFIRINOX (i.e., has a contraindication, intolerance, or ECOG 2); OR
- Used as subsequent therapy after progression with a fluoropyrimidine-based therapy;
 OR
- Patient has recurrent disease in the pancreatic operative bed or metastatic disease postresection; AND
 - Used after completion of primary therapy with a fluoropyrimidine-based regimen; OR
- Used as neoadjuvant therapy; AND
 - Patient has resectable with high-risk features (i.e., very highly elevated CA 19-9, large primary tumors, large regional lymph nodes, excessive weight loss, extreme pain);
 AND
 - Patient must not be a candidate for treatment with FOLFIRINOX (i.e., has a contraindication, intolerance, or ECOG 2); OR
 - Patient has biopsy positive borderline resectable disease; AND
 - Patient must not be a candidate for treatment with FOLFIRINOX (i.e., has a contraindication, intolerance, or ECOG 2)

Melanoma ‡ 2,15,16,78e,80e,81e

- Patient has cutaneous melanoma; AND
 - Used as a single agent or in combination with carboplatin for metastatic or unresectable disease; AND
 - Used after maximum clinical benefit from BRAF targeted therapies

Preferred therapies and recommendations are determined by review of clinical evidence. NCCN category of recommendation is taken into account as a component of this review. Regimens deemed equally efficacious (i.e., those having the same NCCN categorization) are considered to be therapeutically equivalent.

† FDA Approved Indication(s), ‡ Compendia recommended indication(s); **Φ** Orphan Drug

Genomic Aberration/Mutational Driver Targeted Therapies (Note: not all inclusive, refer to guidelines for appropriate use) § Sensitizing EGFR mutation-positive tumors



- Afatinib
- Erlotinib
- Dacomitinib
- Gefitinib
- Osimertinib

ALK rearrangement-positive tumors

- Alectinib
- Brigatinib
- Ceritinib
- Crizotinib
- Lorlatinib

ROS1 rearrangement-positive tumors

- Ceritinib
- Crizotinib
- Entrectinib

BRAF V600E-mutation positive tumors

- Dabrafenib ± Trametinib
- Vemurafenib

NTRK Gene Fusion positive tumors

- Larotrectinib
- Entrectinib

PD-1/PD-L1 expression-positive tumors (≥1%)

- Pembrolizumab
- Atezolizumab
- Nivolumab ± ipilimumab

MET Exon-14 skipping mutations

- Capmatinib
- Crizotinib
- Tepotinib

RET rearrangement-positive tumors

- Selpercatinib
- Cabozantinib
- Vandetanib
- Pralsetinib

IV. Renewal Criteria 1,2

Coverage can be renewed based upon the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet other indication-specific relevant criteria such as concomitant therapy requirements (not including prerequisite therapy), performance status, etc. identified in section III; AND
- Disease response with treatment as defined by stabilization of disease or decrease in size of tumor or tumor spread; AND
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: bone marrow suppression (e.g., severe neutropenia [absolute neutrophil count < 1,500



cell/mm³] or thrombocytopenia), sensory neuropathy, sepsis, pneumonitis, severe hypersensitivity reactions including anaphylactic reactions, myelosuppression, etc.

V. Dosage/Administration ^{1,3,9,11,15-23,25,26}

Indication	Dose
Breast Cancer	260 mg/m ² intravenously every 21 days until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity OR
	100 mg/m² OR 125 mg/m² intravenously days 1, 8, and 15 of a 28-day cycle until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
	**NOTE: If substituted for weekly paclitaxel or docetaxel, the weekly dose of albumin-bound paclitaxel should not exceed 125 mg/m²
NSCLC	100 mg/m² intravenously days 1, 8, and 15 of a 21-day cycle until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
Melanoma and Ovarian Cancer	100 mg/m² intravenously days 1, 8, and 15 of a 28-day cycle until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma	125 mg/m² intravenously days 1, 8, and 15 of a 28-day cycle until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
All other indications	260 mg/m ² intravenously every 21 days until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity OR
	100 mg/m² intravenously days 1, 8, and 15 of a 21-day cycle until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS Code:

• J9264 – Injection, paclitaxel protein-bound particles, 1 mg; 1 billable unit = 1 mg

NDC:

• Abraxane 100 mg powder for injection; single-use vial: 68817-0134-xx

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Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C24.1	Malignant neoplasm of ampulla of Vater
C25.0	Malignant neoplasm of head of pancreas
C25.1	Malignant neoplasm of body of the pancreas
C25.2	Malignant neoplasm of tail of pancreas
C25.3	Malignant neoplasm of pancreatic duct
C25.7	Malignant neoplasm of other parts of pancreas
C25.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of pancreas



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C25.9	Malignant neoplasm of pancreas, unspecified
C33	Malignant neoplasm of trachea
C34.00	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified main bronchus
C34.01	Malignant neoplasm of right main bronchus
C34.02	Malignant neoplasm of left main bronchus
C34.10	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.11	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, right bronchus or lung
C34.12	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, left bronchus or lung
C34.2	Malignant neoplasm of middle lobe, bronchus or lung
C34.30	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.31	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, right bronchus or lung
C34.32	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, left bronchus or lung
C34.80	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.81	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of right bronchus and lung
C34.82	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of left bronchus and lung
C34.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.91	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of right bronchus or lung
C34.92	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of left bronchus or lung
C43.0	Malignant melanoma of lip
C43.10	Malignant melanoma of unspecified eyelid, including canthus
C43.111	Malignant melanoma of right upper eyelid, including canthus
C43.112	Malignant melanoma of right lower eyelid, including canthus
C43.121	Malignant melanoma of left upper eyelid, including canthus
C43.122	Malignant melanoma of left lower eyelid, including canthus
C43.20	Malignant melanoma of unspecified ear and external auricular canal
C43.21	Malignant neoplasm of right ear and external auricular canal
C43.22	Malignant neoplasm of left ear and external auricular canal
C43.30	Malignant melanoma of unspecified parts of face
C43.31	Malignant melanoma of nose
C43.39	Malignant melanoma of other parts of face
C43.4	Malignant melanoma of scalp and neck
C43.51	Malignant melanoma of anal skin



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C43.52	Malignant melanoma of skin of breast
C43.59	Malignant melanoma of other part of trunk
C43.60	Malignant melanoma of unspecified upper limb, including shoulder
C43.61	Malignant melanoma of right upper limb, including shoulder
C43.62	Malignant melanoma of left upper limb, including shoulder
C43.70	Malignant melanoma of unspecified lower limb, including hip
C43.71	Malignant melanoma of right lower limb, including hip
C43.72	Malignant melanoma of left lower limb, including hip
C43.8	Malignant melanoma of overlapping sites of skin
C43.9	Malignant melanoma of skin, unspecified
C48.1	Malignant neoplasm of specified parts of peritoneum
C48.2	Malignant neoplasm of peritoneum, unspecified
C48.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of retroperitoneum and peritoneum
C50.011	Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, right female breast
C50.012	Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, left female breast
C50.019	Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, unspecified female breast
C50.021	Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, right male breast
C50.022	Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, left male breast
C50.029	Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, unspecified male breast
C50.111	Malignant neoplasm of central portion of right female breast
C50.112	Malignant neoplasm of central portion of left female breast
C50.119	Malignant neoplasm of central portion of unspecified female breast
C50.121	Malignant neoplasm of central portion of right male breast
C50.122	Malignant neoplasm of central portion of left male breast
C50.129	Malignant neoplasm of central portion of unspecified male breast
C50.211	Malignant neoplasm of upper-inner quadrant of right female breast
C50.212	Malignant neoplasm of upper-inner quadrant of left female breast
C50.219	Malignant neoplasm of upper-inner quadrant of unspecified female breast
C50.221	Malignant neoplasm of upper-inner quadrant of right male breast
C50.222	Malignant neoplasm of upper-inner quadrant of left male breast
C50.229	Malignant neoplasm of upper-inner quadrant of unspecified male breast
C50.311	Malignant neoplasm of lower-inner quadrant of right female breast



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C50.312	Malignant neoplasm of lower-inner quadrant of left female breast
C50.319	Malignant neoplasm of lower-inner quadrant of unspecified female breast
C50.321	Malignant neoplasm of lower-inner quadrant of right male breast
C50.322	Malignant neoplasm of lower-inner quadrant of left male breast
C50.329	Malignant neoplasm of lower-inner quadrant of unspecified male breast
C50.411	Malignant neoplasm of upper-outer quadrant of right female breast
C50.412	Malignant neoplasm of upper-outer quadrant of left female breast
C50.419	Malignant neoplasm of upper-outer quadrant of unspecified female breast
C50.421	Malignant neoplasm of upper-outer quadrant of right male breast
C50.422	Malignant neoplasm of upper-outer quadrant of left male breast
C50.429	Malignant neoplasm of upper-outer quadrant of unspecified male breast
C50.511	Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of right female breast
C50.512	Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of left female breast
C50.519	Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of unspecified female breast
C50.521	Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of right male breast
C50.522	Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of left male breast
C50.529	Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of unspecified male breast
C50.611	Malignant neoplasm of axillary tail of right female breast
C50.612	Malignant neoplasm of axillary tail of left female breast
C50.619	Malignant neoplasm of axillary tail of unspecified female breast
C50.621	Malignant neoplasm of axillary tail of right male breast
C50.622	Malignant neoplasm of axillary tail of left male breast
C50.629	Malignant neoplasm of axillary tail of unspecified male breast
C50.811	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of right female breast
C50.812	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of left female breast
C50.819	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified female breast
C50.821	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of right male breast
C50.822	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of left male breast
C50.829	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified male breast
C50.911	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of right female breast
C50.912	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of left female breast
C50.919	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of unspecified female breast



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C50.921	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of right male breast
C50.922	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of left male breast
C50.929	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of unspecified male breast
C56.1	Malignant neoplasm of right ovary
C56.2	Malignant neoplasm of left ovary
C56.9	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified ovary
C57.00	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified fallopian tube
C57.01	Malignant neoplasm of right fallopian tube
C57.02	Malignant neoplasm of left fallopian tube
C57.10	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified broad ligament
C57.11	Malignant neoplasm of right broad ligament
C57.12	Malignant neoplasm of left broad ligament
C57.20	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified round ligament
C57.21	Malignant neoplasm of right round ligament
C57.22	Malignant neoplasm of left round ligament
C57.3	Malignant neoplasm of parametrium
C57.4	Malignant neoplasm of uterine adnexa, unspecified
C57.7	Malignant neoplasm of other specified female genital organs
C57.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of female genital organs
C57.9	Malignant neoplasm of female genital organ, unspecified

Appendix 2 – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Medicare coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determination (NCD), Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs), and Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. They can be found at: http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search/advanced-search.aspx. Additional indications may be covered at the discretion of the health plan.

Medicare Part B Covered Diagnosis Codes (applicable to existing NCD/LCD/LCA):

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Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions							
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor					
E (1)	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, CNMI	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC					
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC					
5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)					
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)					
H (4 & 7)	LA, AR, MS, TX, OK, CO, NM	Novitas Solutions, Inc.					
8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)					
N (9)	FL, PR, VI	First Coast Service Options, Inc.					
J (10)	TN, GA, AL	Palmetto GBA, LLC					
M (11)	NC, SC, WV, VA (excluding below)	Palmetto GBA, LLC					
L (12)	DE, MD, PA, NJ, DC (includes Arlington & Fairfax counties and the city of Alexandria in VA)	Novitas Solutions, Inc.					
K (13 & 14)	NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, ME, NH	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)					
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Appendix 3 – CLINICAL LITERATURE REVIEW

OS = overall survival; PFS = progression-free survival; ORR = objective response rate; CR = complete response; PR = partial response; DoR = duration of response; pCR = pathological complete response; TTP = time to progression; FFS = failure-free survival; EFS = event-free survival; PFR = progression free rate; OR = odds ratio; AE = adverse event; QoL = quality of life; TTF = time to treatment failure; TNBC = triple negative breast cancer

Breast Cancer

HER2-negative recurrent or metastatic disease								
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion	
Doxorubicin	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3	Paclitaxel vs. doxorubicin + paclitaxel (AT)		First-line	 Doxorubicin and paclitaxel have similar activity Combination of doxorubicin + paclitaxel resulted superior ORR and TTF however, did not improve survival compared to single agent therapy 	
Docetaxel	2A other	Yes	Phase 3, randomized, controlled, multicenter, open-label	Paclitaxel	ORR	Second-line therapy for metastatic breast cancer or progression within 12 months of adjuvant or neoadjuvant therapy (prior anthracycline therapy required)	Docetaxel was superior to paclitaxel in terms of OS and TTP Hematologic and non-hematologic toxicities occurred more frequently in the docetaxel group	
Eribulin	2A preferred	Yes (After 2 or more chemotherapy regimens for metastatic	Phase 3, randomized	Capecitabine	OS and PFS	First-, second-, or third-line therapy for metastatic disease (in patients with prior	Overall, eribulin was not shown to be superior to capecitabine with regard to OS or PFS	



		disease. Prior therapy should have included an anthracycline and a taxane in either the adjuvant or metastatic setting.)	Subgroup analysis			anthracycline- and taxane-based therapy)	In HER2-negative and triple- negative disease, OS advantage was observed with eribulin over capecitabine
Nab-paclitaxel (no premedication)	2A other	Yes (after failure of combination chemotherapy for metastatic disease or relapse within 6 months of adjuvant chemotherapy)	Phase 3, 1:1, randomized, open-label	Paclitaxel (with premedication)	ORR	All lines of therapy for metastatic disease (59% after at least one prior therapy; 77% with prior exposure to anthracycline)	 Nab-paclitaxel demonstrated greater efficacy in ORR and a favorable safety profile compared with standard paclitaxel No statistically significant difference was observed in first-line patients however, the difference was statistically significant in patients who received nab-paclitaxel as second-line or greater therapy.
Nab-paclitaxel + bevacizumab	2A certain circumstances	Yes	Phase 3, randomized	Ixabepilone + bevacizumab vs. paclitaxel + bevacizumab	PFS	First-line	 PFS and OS for nab-paclitaxel was not superior to paclitaxel with a trend toward inferiority Toxicity was increased for nab- paclitaxel
Nab-paclitaxel (300 mg/m² q3w, 100 mg/m² weekly, or 150 mg/m² weekly)	2A other	Yes (after failure of combination chemotherapy for metastatic disease or relapse within 6 months of adjuvant chemotherapy)	Phase 2, open- label, randomized	Docetaxel	ORR	First-line for metastatic disease	Weekly nab-paclitaxel demonstrated superior efficacy and safety compared with docetaxel with a statistically significantly prolongation of PFS



Capecitabine	2A preferred	Yes (after paclitaxel/ anthracycline- containing regimens or resistant to paclitaxel and not a candidate for anthracycline)	Phase 2, open- label	N/A	ORR	Pretreated with anthracycline and taxane	 Capecitabine demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 28% in patients with prior anthracycline and taxane therapy.
Gemcitabine	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A		First-line	Single-agent gemcitabine is active with an ORR of 37.1% and well tolerated as first-line treatment in patients with metastatic breast cancer
Vinorelbine + gemcitabine	None	No	Phase 3 (GEICAM), multicenter, open-label, randomized	Vinorelbine	PFS	Subsequent therapy after previous anthracycline and taxane treatment	Patients with metastatic breast cancer assigned gemcitabine and vinorelbine had better progression-free survival compared with those assigned vinorelbine alone. However, this finding did not translate into a difference in overall survival.
Nab-paclitaxel + atezolizumab	1 preferred first-line 2A subsequent therapy	Yes (for PD-L1-positive triple negative breast cancer; PD-L1 ≥1% on tumor infiltrating cells)	Phase 3 (IMpassion130), randomized	Nab-paclitaxel + placebo	PFS OS	Treatment naïve metastatic TNBC	Atezolizumab plus nab- paclitaxel prolonged progression-free survival among patients with metastatic triple-negative breast cancer in both the intention-to-treat population and the PD-L1— positive subgroup.
Nab-paclitaxel + pembrolizumab	1 preferred first-line 2A subsequent therapy	Yes for PD-L1 (CPS ≥10) TNBC	Phase 3 (KEYNOTE-355), randomized, double-blind	Placebo + chemotherapy (nab-paclitaxel; paclitaxel; or	PFS	First-line; ≥6 months disease free interval	Pembrolizumab combined with several chemotherapy partners showed a statistically significant and clinically meaningful improvement in PFS versus



				gemcitabine plus carboplatin)			chemotherapy alone in patients with previously untreated locally recurrent inoperable or metastatic TNBC whose tumors expressed PD-L1 (CPS ≥10). Pembrolizumab plus chemotherapy was generally well tolerated, with no new safety concerns.
Nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin (nab- P/C)	2A certain circumstances	Yes (after failure of combination chemotherapy for metastatic disease or relapse within 6 months of adjuvant chemotherapy)	Phase 2/3 (tnAcity), multicenter, openlabel, randomized, study	Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine (nab-P/G) vs. gemcitabine + carboplatin (G/C)	PFS	First-line	First-line nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin was active in mTNBC and resulted in a significantly longer PFS compared to nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine and gemcitabine + carboplatin.
Docetaxel + capecitabine (DC)	2A certain circumstances	No	Phase 3, randomized	Docetaxel + epirubicin (DE)	TTP	First-line	Docetaxel plus either capecitabine or epirubicin have similar efficacy but different toxicity.
Gemcitabine + paclitaxel (GT)	2A certain circumstances	No	Phase 3, randomized	Paclitaxel	OS	Relapsed after adjuvant anthracyclines	Gemcitabine added to paclitaxel demonstrated a statistically significant improvement in OS and TTP compared to paclitaxel alone for women with advanced breast cancer who previously received anthracyclines.
HER2-positive recur	rent or metastatic	disease					
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion



Pertuzumab+ trastuzumab + docetaxel	1 preferred	Yes	Phase 3 (CLEOPATRA), randomized, double-blind, placebo- controlled Second interim analysis	Docetaxel + trastuzumab+ placebo	PFS	First-line in metastatic breast cancer (patients with prior adjuvant or neoadjuvant therapy, with or without trastuzumab, must have an interval of at least 12 months between completion of the adjuvant or neoadjuvant therapy and the diagnosis of metastatic breast cancer)	Pertuzumab group significantly prolonged PFS and OS
Pertuzumab+ trastuzumab + docetaxel (or paclitaxel or nab- paclitaxel)	1 preferred with docetaxel or paclitaxel 2A with nab- paclitaxel	Yes	Phase 3 (PERUSE), multi-center, single-arm	N/A	Safety	No prior systemic therapy except endocrine therapy for locally recurrent or metastatic breast cancer	Preliminary findings from PERUSE suggest that the safety and efficacy of first-line pertuzumab, trastuzumab and taxane (including nab- paclitaxel) for HER2-positive locally recurrent or metastatic breast cancer are consistent with results from CLEOPATRA.
Trastuzumab+ paclitaxel	2A	Yes	Phase 3, randomized, multicenter	Trastuzumab+ paclitaxel + carboplatin	ORR	First-line for metastatic disease (taxane not used in neoadjuvant or adjuvant therapy)	 Trastuzumab+ paclitaxel + carboplatin improved ORR and PFS Trend toward improved OS with trastuzumab+ paclitaxel +



Trastuzumab+ vinorelbine	2A	No	Phase 3 (HERNATA), randomized	Trastuzumab+ docetaxel	TTP	First-line	carboplatin however, not statistically significant Increased rates of neutropenia was associated with TPC Neither arm demonstrated significant improvement in survival However, vinorelbine combination was better
							tolerated than trastuzumab+ docetaxel
Ado- trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1)	2A	Yes (After prior trastuzumab and a taxane. Patients should have either received prior therapy for metastatic disease or developed disease recurrence during or within 6 months of completing adjuvant therapy)	Phase 3 (MARIANNE), randomized	(Docetaxel or paclitaxel)+ trastuzumab vs T-DM1 + pertuzumab (T-DM1 + P)	PFS Safety	First-line therapy in locally advanced or metastatic breast cancer with ≥ 6-month treatment-free interval since completion of adjuvant therapy	No significant difference in PFS T-DM1 is an effective and tolerable alternative first-line treatment for HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer
Ado- trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1)	2A	Yes (After prior trastuzumab and a taxane. Patients should have either received prior therapy for metastatic disease or developed disease	Phase 3 (EMILIA), randomized, open-label	Lapatinib+ capecitabine	PFS OS Safety	Previous treatment with trastuzumab and a taxane (in any setting) • First-line with progression within 6-months after adjuvant therapy	T-DM1 significantly prolonged PFS and OS with less toxicity than lapatinib plus capecitabine in patients with HER2-positive advanced breast cancer previously treated with trastuzumab and a taxane



Nab-paclitaxel +/- trastuzumab	2A	recurrence during or within 6 months of completing adjuvant therapy)	Phase 2, open- label multicenter	N/A	ORR	Second-line therapy or later for locally advanced or metastatic disease First-line	Nab-paclitaxel demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 42%, particularly in patients with HER2-positive disease (ORR 52.4%)
Neoadjuvant Therap	ру						
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel followed by epirubicin + cyclophosphamide (concurrent trastuzumab + pertuzumab for HER2-positive disease)		No	Phase 3 (GeparSepto), randomized, 1:1	Paclitaxel followed by epirubicin + cyclophosphami de (concurrent trastuzumab + pertuzumab for HER2-positive disease)	pCR	Neoadjuvant	Nab-paclitaxel improved pCR rates compared to standard paclitaxel but is associated with greater toxicity
Nab-paclitaxel (followed by anthracycline)		No	Phase 3 (ETNA), multicenter, open-label	Paclitaxel (followed by anthracycline)	pCR	Neoadjuvant	 Improved rate of pCR after nab- paclitaxel was not statistically significant Nab-paclitaxel was associated with higher incidence of severe neuropathy

Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer



First-line therapy in	First-line therapy in patients with recurrent, advanced, or metastatic disease and squamous cell histology								
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End- Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion		
Nab-paclitaxel (or paclitaxel) + pembrolizumab + carboplatin	1 preferred	No	Phase 3 (KEYNOTE-407), double-blind, randomized (1:1)	Nab-paclitaxel (or paclitaxel) + carboplatin + placebo	OS PFS	First-line	 In patients with previously untreated metastatic, squamous NSCLC, the addition of pembrolizumab to chemotherapy with carboplatin plus paclitaxel or nab-paclitaxel resulted in significantly longer overall survival and progression-free survival than chemotherapy alone regardless of PD-L1 expression No difference between paclitaxel or nab-paclitaxel was observed 		
Pembrolizumab	1 preferred (if PD-L1 ≥50%) 2B (if PD-L1 1%-49%)	Yes	Phase 3 (KEYNOTE-024), open-label, randomized	Platinum-based chemotherapy	PFS	First-line	• In patients with advanced NSCLC and PD-L1 expression on at least 50% of tumor cells, pembrolizumab was associated with significantly longer progression-free and overall survival and with fewer adverse events than was platinum-based chemotherapy		
Atezolizumab	1 preferred for PD-L1 ≥50%	Yes for TC ≥50% or IC ≥10%	Phase 3 (IMpower110), randomized, open-label	Carboplatin or cisplatin + pemetrexed (non-squamous) or gemcitabine (squamous)	OS	First-line	• IMpower110 met the primary OS endpoint with statistically significant and clinically meaningful improvement as first-line therapy in patients with TC ≥50% or IC ≥10%.		



Nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A other (for PS 2)	Yes (for patients who are not candidates for curative surgery or radiation)	Phase 3, randomized (1:1) – FDA approval	Paclitaxel + carboplatin	ORR	First-line	 Nab-paclitaxel resulted in a significantly improved ORR versus paclitaxel No significant difference was observed in PFS or OS Nab-paclitaxel also produced less grade ≥ 3 adverse events than paclitaxel.
Nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A other (for PS 2)	Yes (for patients who are not candidates for curative surgery or radiation)	Phase 1/2, open- label, single-arm	N/A		First-line	Nab-paclitaxel 125 mg/m² administered on days 1, 8, and 15 of a 28-day cycle was well tolerated and demonstrated encouraging single-agent activity with an ORR of 30%/
Carboplatin + docetaxel (DCb) or Cisplatin + docetaxel (DC)	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A other (for PS 2)	No	Phase 3 (TAX 326), randomized, multinational	Cisplatin + vinorelbine (VC)		First-line	DC resulted in a more favorable ORR and OS rate than VC. Both DC and DCb were better tolerated and provided patients with consistently improved QoL compared with VC. These findings demonstrate that a docetaxel plus platinum combination is an effective treatment option with a favorable therapeutic index for first-line treatment of advanced or metastatic NSCLC.
Carboplatin + etoposide	1 certain circumstances (for adeno- carcinoma only; PS 0-1)	No	Randomized trial	Cisplatin + etoposide			Carboplatin + etoposide is less active than cisplatin + etoposide and less toxic



	2A other (for PS 2)						
Carboplatin + gemcitabine (GC)	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A other (for PS 2)	No	Phase 3, randomized	Mitomycin + ifosfamide + cisplatin (MIC) or mitomycin + vinblastine + cisplatin (MVP)	OS	First-line	The results of the current study failed to demonstrate any difference in efficacy between the newer regimen of GC and the older regimens of MIC and MVP
Carboplatin + paclitaxel (TC)	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A other (for PS 2)	No	Phase 3, randomized	Cisplatin + irinotecan (IP) vs. cisplatin + gemcitabine (GP) vs. cisplatin + vinorelbine (NP)	OS	First-line	The four regimens have similar efficacy and different toxicity profiles, and they can be used to treat advanced NSCLC patients.
Cisplatin + etoposide	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1)	No	Phase 3, randomized	Cisplatin + gemcitabine	ORR	First-line	Compared with etoposide- cisplatin, gemcitabine-cisplatin provides a significantly higher response rate and a delay in disease progression
Cisplatin + gemcitabine	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1)	Yes	Phase 3, randomized	Cisplatin + pemetrexed	OS	First-line	Cisplatin + pemetrexed provides similar efficacy to cisplatin + gemcitabine, with better tolerability
Cisplatin + paclitaxel	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1)	Yes	Randomized comparison study	Cisplatin + gemcitabine or cisplatin + docetaxel or carboplatin + paclitaxel	OS	First-line	None of four chemotherapy regimens offered a significant advantage over the others in the treatment of advanced non-small- cell lung cancer



Gemcitabine + docetaxel (GD)	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A certain circumstances (for PS 2)	No	Phase 3, multicenter, randomized	Cisplatin + vinorelbine (CV)	PFS	First-line	There was no advantage in PFS with GD compared with CV; however, the CV regimen had higher rate of toxic events, mainly myelosuppression	
Gemcitabine + vinorelbine (VG)	1 certain circumstances (for PS 0-1) 2A certain circumstances (for PS 2)	No	Randomized study	Carboplatin + vinorelbine (VC)	ORR	First-line	VG compared to VC resulted in a similar overall response rate, favorable median survival and a better toxicity profile	
Docetaxel	2A certain circumstances (for PS 2)	No	References in NCCN are for subsequent therapy					
Gemcitabine	2A certain circumstances (for PS 2)	No	Phase 2	N/A		First-line	Single-agent gemcitabine is active in advanced NSCLC with an ORR of 21.1% and is well-tolerated	
Nab-paclitaxel	2A certain circumstances (for PS 2)	No	Phase 2, multicenter	N/A	ORR	First-line	Abraxane administered without premedication was well tolerated. An ORR of 16% and prolonged disease control rates were documented.	
Paclitaxel (or carboplatin)	2A certain circumstances (for PS 2)	No	References in NCCN are for subsequent therapy					
Pemetrexed	2A certain circumstances (for adeno-	No	Reference in NCC	CN are for subsequent the	erapy			



carcinoma only;	
PS 2)	

First-line therapy in patients with recurrent, advanced, or metastatic disease and with PD-L1 ≥ 50% and EGFR, ALK negative and NON-squamous cell histology

Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End- Point	Line of Therapy	• Conclusion
Atezolizumab + carboplatin + nab- paclitaxel, followed by maintenance atezolizumab	2A other	Yes	Phase 3 (IMpower130), randomized, multi-center, open-label	Carboplatin + paclitaxel	PFS OS	First-line for stage IV disease	IMpower130 showed a significant and clinically meaningful improvement in overall survival and a significant improvement in progression-free survival with atezolizumab plus chemotherapy versus chemotherapy as first-line treatment of patients with stage IV non-squamous non-small-cell lung cancer and no ALK or EGFR mutations.
Pembrolizumab	1 preferred (if PD-L1 ≥50%) 2B (if PD-L1 1%-49%)	Yes	Phase 3 (KEYNOTE-024), open-label, randomized	Platinum-based chemotherapy	PFS	First-line	In patients with advanced NSCLC and PD-L1 expression on at least 50% of tumor cells, pembrolizumab was associated with significantly longer progression-free and overall survival and with fewer adverse events than was platinum-based chemotherapy
Atezolizumab	2A preferred for PD-L1 ≥50%	Yes for TC ≥50% or IC ≥10%	Phase 3 (IMpower110), randomized, open-label	Carboplatin or cisplatin + pemetrexed (nonsquamous) or gemcitabine (squamous)	OS	First-line	• IMpower110 met the primary OS endpoint with statistically significant and clinically meaningful improvement as first-line therapy in patients with TC ≥50% or IC ≥10%.



Cemiplimab-rwlc	1 preferred for PD-L1 ≥50%	Yes for TPS ≥50%	Phase 3 (EMPOWER-Lung 1), randomized, multi-center, open-label, controlled	Platinum-doublet chemotherapy	OS PFS	First-line	Cemiplimab monotherapy significantly improved overall survival and progression-free survival compared with chemotherapy in patients with advanced non-small-cell lung cancer with PD-L1 of at least 50%.
Pembrolizumab + carboplatin (or cisplatin) + pemetrexed	1 preferred (for adeno- carcinoma only; PS 0-1)	Yes	Phase 3 (KEYNOTE-189), double-blind, randomized (2:1)	Carboplatin (or cisplatin) + pemetrexed + placebo	OS PFS	First-line	• In patients with previously untreated metastatic nonsquamous NSCLC without EGFR or ALK mutations, the addition of pembrolizumab to standard chemotherapy of pemetrexed and a platinumbased drug resulted in significantly longer overall survival and progression-free survival than chemotherapy alone
Atezolizumab + carboplatin + paclitaxel + bevacizumab (ABCP)	1 other (for adeno- carcinoma only; PS 0-1)	Yes	Phase 3 (IMpower150), open-label, randomized (1:1:1)	Atezolizumab + carboplatin + paclitaxel (ACP) vs. bevacizumab + carboplatin + paclitaxel (BCP)	PFS	First-line	The addition of atezolizumab to bevacizumab plus chemotherapy significantly improved progression-free survival and overall survival among patients with metastatic nonsquamous NSCLC, regardless of PD-L1 expression and EGFR or ALK genetic alteration status
Bevacizumab + carboplatin + paclitaxel	1 certain circumstances (for adeno- carcinoma only; PD-L1 <1%; PS 0-1)	Yes	Phase 2/3 (ECOG 4599), randomized	Carboplatin + paclitaxel	OS	First-line	The addition of bevacizumab to paclitaxel plus carboplatin in the treatment of selected patients with non-small-cell lung cancer has a significant survival benefit with the risk of increased treatment-related deaths



Bevacizumab +	2A certain	No	Phase 3,	Carboplatin +	OS	First-line	The addition of bevacizumab to
carboplatin +	circumstances		randomized	pemetrexed			The addition of bevacizumab to paclitaxel plus carboplatin in the
pemetrexed	(for adeno-						treatment of selected patients
	carcinoma only;						with non-small-cell lung cancer
	PS 0-1)						has a significant survival benefit
	!						with the risk of increased
							treatment-related deaths
Bevacizumab +	2A certain	No	Phase 3	Bevacizumab +	PFS	First-line	• In patients with nonsquamous
cisplatin +	circumstances		(AVAPERL	cisplatin +			NSCLC who had achieved disease
pemetrexed	(for adeno-		[MO22089]),	pemetrexed			control with platinum-based
followed by	carcinoma only;		randomized	followed by			chemotherapy plus bevacizumab,
bevacizumab	PS 0-1)			bevacizumab +			bevacizumab plus pemetrexed
maintenance	!			pemetrexed			maintenance was associated with
	!			maintenance			a significant PFS benefit
	!						compared with bevacizumab alone
Carboplatin +	1 certain	No	Phase 2,	Pemetrexed +	ORR	First-line	alone
pemetrexed	circumstances	INU	multicenter,	oxaliplatin (PemOx)	ONN	FIISC-IIIIC	 Combining pemetrexed with
(PemCb)	(for adeno-		randomized	Oxampiacin (i cincx,			either oxaliplatin or carboplatin
(i cilico)	carcinoma only;		Tanasimee				demonstrated similar efficacy
	PS 0-1)						measures for the first-line treatment of locally advanced or
	,						metastatic NSCLC
	2A						metastatic insele
	preferred(for						
	PS 2)						
Cisplatin +	1 certain	Yes	Phase 3,	Cisplatin +	OS	First-line	See data for cisplatin + gemcitabine
pemetrexed	circumstances		randomized	gemcitabine			above
	(for adeno-						
	carcinoma only;						
	PS 0-1)						
Generic regimens	1 or 2A	See squamor	us cell histology abo	ove			



Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End- Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion				
Nab-paclitaxel	2A (for PS 2)	No	No data in subsequ	No data in subsequent therapy							
Nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin	1 (for PS 0-1) 2A (for PS 2)	No	No data in subsequ	No data in subsequent therapy							
Nab-paclitaxel + pembrolizumab + carboplatin	1 preferred (for PS 0-1 and squamous cell histology)	No	No data in subsequ	No data in subsequent therapy							
Nab-paclitaxel + pembrolizumab + cisplatin	2A (for PS 0-1 and squamous cell histology)	No	No data in subsequent therapy								
Nivolumab	1 (for first progression) 2A (for subsequent progression)	Yes	Phase 3 (CHECKMATE 057), randomized, open-label	Docetaxel	OS	Subsequent	Among patients with advanced nonsquamous NSCLC that had progressed during or after platinum-based chemotherapy, overall survival was longer with nivolumab than with docetaxel				
Nivolumab	1 (for first progression) 2A (for subsequent progression)	Yes	Phase 3 (CHECKMATE 017), randomized, open-label	Docetaxel	OS	Second-line	Among patients with advanced, previously treated squamous-cell NSCLC, overall survival, response rate, and progression-free survival were significantly better with nivolumab than with docetaxel, regardless of PD-L1 expression level				



Pembrolizumab (2mg/kg or 10mg/kg)	1 preferred (for PS 0-2; PD-L1 ≥ 1%)	Yes (after platinum therapy)	Phase 2/3 (KEYNOTE-010), randomized (1:1:1), open- label	Docetaxel	OS PFS	Previously treated	Pembrolizumab prolongs overall survival compared to docetaxel and has a favorable benefit-to-risk profile in patients with previously treated, PD-L1-positive, advanced non-small-cell lung cancer.
Atezolizumab	1 (for first progression) 2A (for subsequent progression)	Yes (after platinum therapy)	Phase 3 (OAK), open-label, multicenter randomized (1:1)	Docetaxel	OS	Second- or third-line	Atezolizumab treatment results in a statistically significant and clinically relevant improvement in OS versus docetaxel in second- and third-line NSCLC, regardless of PD-L1 expression and histology
Ramucirumab + docetaxel	2A (first progression only)	Yes (after platinum therapy)	Phase 3 (REVEL), multicenter, double-blind, randomized (1:1)	Docetaxel + placebo	OS	Second-line after platinum- based regimen	Ramucirumab plus docetaxel improves survival as second-line treatment of patients with stage IV NSCLC
Docetaxel	2A (for first progression)	Yes	Prospective randomized trial	Best supportive care (BSC)	OS	Second-line or later after platinum therapy	Treatment with docetaxel is associated with significant prolongation of survival
Docetaxel (100mg/m² or 75mg/m²)	2A (for first progression)	Yes	Phase 3 (TAX 320), randomized	Vinorelbine or ifosfamide (V/I)		Second-line after platinum therapy	Single-agent docetaxel demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 10.8% for D100 and 6.7% for D75.
Pemetrexed	2A (for first progression; non-squamous)	Yes (non- squamous only)	Phase 3, randomized	Docetaxel	OS	Second-line	Treatment with pemetrexed resulted in clinically equivalent efficacy outcomes, but with significantly fewer side effects compared with docetaxel in the



						second-line treatment of patients with advanced NSCLC
Gemcitabine + best supportive care	2A (for first progression)	No	Randomized multicenter trial	Best supportive care (BSC)	Change in patient assessment of a predefined subset of commonly reported symptoms (SS14) from the EORTC QLQ-C30 and LC13 scales	 Patients treated with gemcitabine + BSC reported better QoL and reduced disease-related symptoms compared with those receiving BSC alone

Ovarian Cancer (Epithelial/Fallopian Tube/Primary Peritoneal)

Recurrent or pers	istent disease, platinu	ım-sensitive					
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Carboplatin + gemcitabine	2A preferred	Yes (for patients who relapsed at least 6 months after platinum- based therapy)	Phase 3, open- label, randomized	Carboplatin	PFS	Second-line; recurrence after at least 6 months of first-line platinum-based therapy	Gemcitabine plus carboplatin significantly improves PFS and response rate without worsening quality of life for patients with platinum-sensitive recurrent ovarian cancer
Carboplatin + liposomal doxorubicin	2A preferred	Yes (progressed or recurred after platinum- based chemotherapy)	Phase 3, randomized, multicenter	Carboplatin + paclitaxel	PFS	Second- or third-line therapy with recurrence after more than 6 months since first- or second-line platinum-based therapy	Carboplatin + liposomal doxorubicin demonstrated superiority in PFS compared to carboplatin + paclitaxel.
Carboplatin + paclitaxel	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3 (ICON4/AGO- OVAR-2.2),	Platinum-based chemotherapy		Second-line or later; relapsing after 6 months of being treatment-free	Paclitaxel plus platinum chemotherapy trended towards improvement in survival and PFS among patients with relapsed



			randomized, multicenter				platinum-sensitive ovarian cancer compared with conventional platinum-based chemotherapy
Carboplatin + gemcitabine + bevacizumab, followed by bevacizumab until progression	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3 (OCEANS), randomized, multicenter, blinded, placebo- controlled	Carboplatin + gemcitabine + placebo	PFS	Second-line; recurrence after at least 6 months of first-line platinum-based therapy	Carboplatin, gemcitabine, plus bevacizumab followed by bevacizumab until progression resulted in a statistically significant improvement in PFS compared with carboplatin, gemcitabine, plus placebo
Carboplatin + paclitaxel + bevacizumab	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3 (GOG- 0213), multicenter, open-label, randomized	Carboplatin + paclitaxel	OS	Second-line or later; relapsing after 6 months of being treatment-free	The addition of bevacizumab to standard chemotherapy, followed by maintenance therapy until progression, improved the median OS in patients with platinum-sensitive recurrent ovarian cancer, although not statistically significant
Nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin	2A (for clinical relapse and patients with taxane hypersensitivity)	No	Phase 2, non-randomized	N/A	ORR	Recurrent disease in platinum-sensitive disease (after prior taxane/ platinum therapies)	With a 97% disease control rate, the combination of nab-paclitaxel plus carboplatin had significant antitumor activity
Carboplatin + docetaxel	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A	ORR	Second-line or later; relapsing after 6 months of being treatment-free	Carboplatin in combination with docetaxel is highly active with an ORR of 72.0% and well tolerated in patients with recurrent platinum-sensitive ovarian, peritoneal and tubal cancer
Nab-paclitaxel	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A	ORR	Second-line in platinum- sensitive disease	Nab-paclitaxel is active in patients with recurrent ovarian, peritoneal, or fallopian tube



							cancer. The ORR was 64% and toxicities were manageable.
Etoposide (oral)	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line therapy	Etoposide is active in platinum- sensitive ovarian cancer with an ORR of 26.8%
Topotecan	2A	Yes	Phase 3, randomized, multicenter	Liposomal doxorubicin		Second-line or later	 Liposomal doxorubicin prolonged survival compared with topotecan in patients with recurrent and refractory epithelial ovarian cancer by almost 7 weeks Survival benefit is pronounced in patients with platinum-sensitive disease
Liposomal doxorubicin	2A	Yes	Phase 3, randomized	Topotecan		Second-line after platinum- based therapy	Liposomal has comparable efficacy and favorable safety profile compared to topotecan
Recurrent or pers	istent disease, platinu	m-resistant	1		<u> </u>		
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Gemcitabine	2A preferred	No	Phase 3, centrally randomized, multicenter, open-label comparative trial	Liposomal doxorubicin	PFS	Second- to third-line; progression within 6 months of platinum-based therapy	Gemcitabine and liposomal doxorubicin demonstrated to have comparable outcomes
Gemcitabine	2A preferred	No	Phase 3 randomized multicenter	Liposomal doxorubicin	TTP	Second-line; treatment- failure after platinum/	Gemcitabine does not provide an advantage compared with liposomal doxorubicin in terms of TTP in ovarian cancer who



						paclitaxel-containing regimen	experience recurrence within 12 months after primary treatment
Liposomal doxorubicin	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3, randomized	Topotecan		Second-line after platinum- based therapy	Liposomal has comparable efficacy and favorable safety profile compared to topotecan
Topotecan	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3, randomized, multicenter	Liposomal doxorubicin		Second-line or later	 Liposomal doxorubicin prolonged survival compared with topotecan in patients with recurrent and refractory epithelial ovarian cancer by almost 7 weeks Survival benefit is pronounced in patients with platinum-sensitive disease
Liposomal doxorubicin (or paclitaxel or topotecan) + bevacizumab	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 3 (AURELIA), open-label randomized	Paclitaxel, topotecan, or liposomal doxorubicin alone	PFS	Refractory disease with progression < 6 months after completing platinumbased therapy	 Adding bevacizumab to chemotherapy statistically significantly improved PFS and ORR; the OS trend was not significant
Paclitaxel + bevacizumab	2A preferred	Yes	See above (lipos	omal doxorubicin -	r - bevacizumab)		
Topotecan + bevacizumab	2A preferred	No	See above (lipos	omal doxorubicin -	- bevacizumab)		
Paclitaxel + pazopanib	2A preferred	No	Phase 2 (MITO 11), randomized (1:1), openlabel	Paclitaxel	PFS	Platinum-resistant or platinum-refractory ovarian cancer previously treated with a maximum of two lines of chemotherapy	 Adding pazopanib to paclitaxel for the treatment of platinum- resistant ovarian cancer demonstrated a statistically significant improvement in PFS by almost 3 months



Paclitaxel	2A preferred	Yes	Phase 2	N/A		Platinum and paclitaxel- resistant ovarian cancer	Paclitaxel demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 20.9%
Docetaxel	2A preferred	No	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line therapy; platinum- and paclitaxel- resistant	Docetaxel demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 22.4% however hematologic toxicity was significant
Etoposide (oral)	2A preferred	No	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line therapy	• Etoposide is active in platinum- resistant ovarian cancer with an ORR of 26.8%
Bevacizumab	2A preferred	No	Phase 2	N/A	PFS	Second- or third-line	Bevacizumab demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 21.0% in second- and third-line treatment
Nab-paclitaxel	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A	ORR	Second-line in platinum- resistant disease	Nab-paclitaxel demonstrated clinical activity with an ORR of 23%

Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma

Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End- Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine	2A preferred	No	None. NCCN re	ecommendation is	based on clinical	literature for metas	static disease.
FOLFIRINOX	2A preferred	No	Phase 1, prospective, multicenter, single-arm trial	N/A	Accrual rate; safety; rate of completion of all preoperative	Preoperative	Neoadjuvant therapy with FOLFIRINOX demonstrated clinical activity with 68% o patients undergoing pancreatectomy



					and operative therapy		
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	etastatic disease	Comparator	Primary End- Point	Line of Therapy	ination with gemcitabine Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine	1 preferred (for metastatic disease) 2A preferred (for locally advanced disease)	Yes (for metastatic disease)	Phase 3 (MPACT), open-label, randomized	Gemcitabine	OS	First-line	In patients with metastatic pancreatic adenocarcinoma, nab-paclitaxel plus gemcitabine significantly improved OS, PFS, and response rate, but rates of peripheral neuropathy and myelosuppression were increased
FOLFIRINOX	1 preferred (for metastatic disease, good performance status) 2A preferred (for locally advanced disease)	No	Phase 2-3 (PRODIGE), multicenter, randomized	Gemcitabine	OS	First-line	FOLFIRINOX was associated with a survival advantage and had increased toxicity. FOLFIRINOX is an option for the treatment of patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer and good performance status
Gemcitabine + erlotinib	1 (for metastatic disease) 2A (for locally advanced disease)	Yes	Phase 3 (NCIC CTG PA.3), randomized (1:1), double- blind, placebo- controlled	Gemcitabine + placebo	OS	First-line for advanced or metastatic disease	 Gemcitabine + erlotinib reduced the risk of death by 18% in patients with advanced pancreatic cancer. Modest improvement in OS (0.33mon)
Gemcitabine	1 (for metastatic disease) 2A (for locally advanced disease)	Yes	Randomized trial	Fluorouracil (5-FU)	Clinical benefit response (pain, performance status, weight)	First-line	Gemcitabine is more effective than 5-FU in obtaining a clinical benefit response and also demonstrated a modest survival advantage over treatment with 5-FU



Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End- Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine	2A (if prior fluoropyrimidine- based therapy)	No	Prospective multicenter cohort	N/A		Second-line after FOLFIRINOX failure	Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine has clinical activity after FOLFIRINOX failure in patients with metastatic pancreatic adenocarcinoma
Gemcitabine	1 (for poor performance status) 2A (for good performance status)	No	Recommendati	on is based on evi	dence in first-line	therapy. No clinica	Il trial data in second-line therapy.
Gemcitabine + erlotinib	2A	No	Recommendati	on is based on evi	dence in first-line	therapy. No clinica	al trial data in second-line therapy.
5-FU + leucovorin + liposomal irinotecan	2A (if no prior irinotecan)	No	No clinical trial	data to support u	se after prior fluo	ropyrimidine-based	therapy
Pembrolizumab (for MSI-H or dMMR tumors)	2A	Yes	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line or later	Mismatch repair-deficient cancers, including pancreatic cancer, demonstrated sensitivity to immune checkpoint blockade with an ORR of 62%

Melanoma

Second-line or subs	Second-line or subsequent therapy for metastatic or unresectable cutaneous melanoma										
Regimen	Regimen NCCN FDA Trial Design Comparator Primary Line of Therapy Conclusion										
Category Approved End-Point											



Nab-paclitaxel	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A		Previously-treated and chemotherapy naive	Nab-paclitaxel demonstrated activity in both previously treated and chemotherapy-naive patients with metastatic melanoma with ORR of 2.7% and 21.6%, respectively.
Nab-paclitaxel + carboplatin	2A	No	Phase 2, parallel study	N/A	ORR	Previously-treated and chemotherapy naive	Nab-paclitaxel plus carboplatin demonstrated clinical activity in both chemo-naïve and previously treated patients (ORR 25.6% and 8.8%, respectively)
Ipilimumab + placebo	2A	Yes	Phase 3 (CA184-002), randomized (3:1:1), double- blind	Ipilimumab + gp100 peptide vaccine vs. gp100 peptide vaccine + placebo	OS	Previously treated	Ipilimumab, with or without a gp100 peptide vaccine, as compared with gp100 alone, improved overall survival in patients with previously treated metastatic melanoma
Vemurafenib	2A	Yes (BRAF V600E mutation positive)	Phase 4 (BRIM-3), open-label		Safety	All lines of therapy	Vemurafenib demonstrated a PFS of 5.6 months and OS of 12.0 months in patients with advanced melanoma
Dabrafenib	2A	Yes (BRAF V600E mutation positive)	Phase 2 (BREAK-2), open-label		ORR	All lines of therapy	Dabrafenib demonstrated a PFS of 6.3 months and OS of 13.1 months in patients with metastatic melanoma
Pembrolizumab (every 2 weeks vs. every 3 weeks)	2A	Yes	Phase 3 (KEYNOTE- 006), randomized, open-label	Ipilimumab	PFS OS	All lines of therapy	Pembrolizumab prolonged PFS and OS than ipilimumab in patients with advanced melanoma



Paclitaxel + carboplatin + placebo	2A	No	Phase 3, randomized	Paclitaxel + carboplatin + sorafenib	PFS	Second-line (after dacarbazine or temozolomide-regimen)	Addition of sorafenib to paclitaxel + carboplatin did not improve PFS or ORR in this second-line patient population
Paclitaxel + carboplatin	2A	No	Retrospective analysis	N/A		Second-line	Paclitaxel + carboplatin demonstrated clinical activity 26% partial responses and 19% having stable disease
Temozolomide	2A	No	Phase 3	Dacarbazine (DTIC)			Temozolomide demonstrates efficacy equal to that of DTIC and is an oral alternative for patients with advanced metastatic melanoma
Dacarbazine	2A	Yes	See temozolomi	de above			
Paclitaxel (with premedication)	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A			Taxol has activity in melanoma with an ORR of 14%
Metastatic or unre	sectable uvea	al melanoma					
Regimen	NCCN	FDA	Trial Design	Comparator	ъ.	1	
	Category	Approved		Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel	Category 2A			data specific for u	End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel Pembrolizumab		Approved		-	End-Point	After prior ipilimumab therapy	Although cohort of patients was small, treatment with pembrolizumab demonstrated to be effective in patients with metastatic uveal melanoma



Nivolumab + ipilimumab	2A	No	Phase 2 (GEM1402), multicenter, single-arm, open-label	N/A		Previously untreated	• Combination of nivolumab and ipilimumab demonstrated an ORR of 12% with grade ≥ 3 adverse events occurring 54%
Ipilimumab	2A	No	Phase 2 (DeCOG- Study), multicenter	N/A		Pretreated and treatment naïve	Ipilimumab has very limited clinical activity in patient with metastatic uveal melanoma with 47% of patient having stable disease. None experienced partial or complete response.
Dacarbazine	2A	No	No clinical trial o	lata specific for u	veal melanoma		
Temozolomide	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A			Temozolomide is <u>not</u> effective for the control of metastatic melanoma of uveal origin
Paclitaxel + carboplatin	2A	No	No clinical trial c	lata specific for u	veal melanoma		
Paclitaxel (with premedication)	2A	No	No clinical trial o	lata specific for u	veal melanoma		

Uterine Cancer (endometrial carcinoma)

Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Carboplatin + paclitaxel (TC)	2A preferred	No	Phase 3 (GOG 209), randomized	Cisplatin + doxorubicin + paclitaxel (TAP)	OS	Chemo-therapy naive	Demonstrated that carboplatin + paclitaxel results in an equivalent ORR, PFS, and is less toxic
Nab-paclitaxel	2A	No	No data				



Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel	2A	No	No data				
Carboplatin + paclitaxel (TC)	2A preferred	No	Phase 3 (GOG 209), randomized	Cisplatin + doxorubicin + paclitaxel (TAP)	OS	Chemo-therapy naive	Demonstrated that carboplatin + paclitaxel results in an equivalent ORR, PFS, and is less toxic
Cisplatin + doxorubicin + paclitaxel (TAP)	2A	No	Phase 3 (GOG 177)	Cisplatin + doxorubicin (AP)	OS	Chemo-therapy naive	TAP significantly improves ORR, PFS, and OS compared with AP
Cisplatin + doxorubicin	2A	No	Phase 3 (GOG 177)	Cisplatin + doxorubicin + paclitaxel (TAP)	OS	Chemo-therapy naive	See cisplatin + doxorubicin + paclitaxel above
Liposomal doxorubicin	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line	Liposomal doxorubicin has only limited activity (ORR 9.5%) in pretreated advanced, recurrent endometrial cancer
Pembrolizumab	2A (for MSI- H or dMMR tumors)	Yes (for MSI-H or dMMR solid tumors that have progressed following prior treatment)	Phase 1b (KEYNOTE-028)	N/A	ORR	Second-line	Pembrolizumab demonstrated a favorable safety profile and durable antitumor activity in a subgroup of patients with heavily pretreated advanced PD-L1-positive endometrial cancer
Bevacizumab	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A	PFS ORR	Second- or third-line	Bevacizumab is well tolerated and active based on PFS at 6 months in recurrent or persistent endometrial cancer



Temsirolimus	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A	ORR	All lines of therapy	Temsirolimus demonstrated clinical activity with ORR higher in chemo- naïve patients than in chemo-treated patients
Ifosfamide + paclitaxel	1 (for carcino- sarcoma) 2A	No	Phase 3, randomized	Ifosfamide	OS	First-line	Ifosfamide + paclitaxel significantly improved OS compared to ifosfamide alone
Carboplatin + paclitaxel + bevacizumab	2A	No	Retrospective analysis	N/A		First- and second-line	A high response rate, PFS, and OS was observed with the bevacizumab, paclitaxel, and carboplatin regimen

Hepatobiliary Adenocarcinoma (Intrahepatic/Extrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma)

Primary therapy							
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine	2A	No	Phase 2, single-arm	N/A	6-mon PFS rate	First-line	This study did not meet its primary efficacy endpoint of a 6-month PFS rate of 70%. 6-month PFS rate was 61%.
Gemcitabine + cisplatin	1	No	Phase 3 (ABC- 02), multi- center	Gemcitabine	OS	First-line	 As compared with gemcitabine alone, cisplatin plus gemcitabine was associated with a significant survival advantage without the addition of substantial toxicity.
Gemcitabine + capecitabine	2A	No	Phase 2	N/A	ORR	First-line	Gemcitabine plus capecitabine demonstrate anti-tumor activity with



demonstrated by a response rate of 30%.

				an ORR of 31% and a mild toxicity profile
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Advanced or Me	etastatic Disease – Initial T	herapy					
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel	2A (prior oxaliplatin in the adjuvant setting or contraindication)	No	No clinical liter	rature to support	use in initial th	erapy.	
Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine	2A (prior oxaliplatin in the adjuvant setting or contraindication)	No	No clinical liter	ature to support	use in initial th	erapy.	
FOLFIRI (5-FU + leucovorin + irinotecan)	2A (prior oxaliplatin in the adjuvant setting or contraindication)	No	No clinical liter	ature to support	use in initial th	erapy.	
Advanced or Me	etastatic Disease – Subsequ	uent Therapy					
Regimen	NCCN Category	FDA Approved	Trial Design	Comparator	Primary End-Point	Line of Therapy	Conclusion
Nab-paclitaxel	2A	No	Phase 2, open-label, single-center	N/A	ORR	Subsequent therapy after a fluoropyrimidine and oxaliplatin	Nab-paclitaxel demonstrated a disease control rate of 50% with 2 patients with partial responses and 3 with stable disease
Nab-paclitaxel + gemcitabine	2A	No	Retro analysis of	N/A			Taxane-based therapy is clinically active as demonstrated by a response rate of 30%.

taxanes either SA or in combo



FOLFIRI (5-FU + leucovorin + irinotecan)	2A (for dMMR/MSI-H with progression through pembrolizumab, nivolumab, or clinical trial)	No	Retro multi- center study (AGEO)	N/A		Second-line after platinum-based chemotherapy	Second-line chemotherapy with FOLFIRI produced disease control in half of patients with advanced SBA after failure with first-line platinum-based chemotherapy
Irinotecan	2A (for patient not appropriate for intensive therapy with dMMR/MSI-H with progression through pembrolizumab, nivolumab, or clinical trial)	No	Retro single- institution study	N/A		Second-line after fluoropyrimidine therapy	Fluoropyrimidines as the first-line and CPT- 11 as the second-line chemotherapy yielded low response
Larotrectinib	2A (NTRK gene fusion positive)	Yes (for NTRK gene fusion positive solid tumors with no satisfactory alternative treatments or that have progressed following treatment)	Pooled analysis of a phase 1, phase 1/2, and phase 2	N/A	ORR	After standard therapy	Larotrectinib had marked and durable antitumor activity in patients with TRK fusion—positive cancer, regardless of the age of the patient or of the tumor type

Kaposi Sarcoma

Subsequent therapy (third-line and later) for relapsed/refractory advanced, cutaneous, oral, visceral, or nodal disease									
Regimen	Regimen NCCN FDA Trial Design Comparator Primary End- Category Approved Point Conclusion								



Nab-paclitaxel	2A other	No	Phase 2	N/A			Nab-paclitaxel demonstrated efficacy in all patients
Bortezomib	2A other	No	Pilot Trial AMC-063	N/A		Subsequent therapy	Bortezomib is well-tolerated and active in AIDS-Kaposi sarcoma with a partial response rate of 60% in patients with relapsed or refractory AIDS-related Kaposi Sarcoma.
Liposomal doxorubicin	2A (first or second-line)	Yes	Phase 2	N/A		After doxorubicin + bleomycin + vincristine (ABV) or bleomycin + vincristine (BV) chemotherapy	Liposomal doxorubicin is effective in treating patients who have experienced failure of standard chemotherapy for AIDS-KS
Pomalidomide	2A preferred	No	Phase 1/2	N/A	ORR	All lines of therapy	Pomalidomide demonstrated an ORR of 73% and is active regardless of HIV status.
Paclitaxel	2A (first or second-line)	Yes	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line after anthracycline	Paclitaxel demonstrated an ORR of 71% with responses that correlate to a fall in plasma IL-6 levels
Etoposide	2A certain circumstances	No	Phase 2	N/A		Subsequent therapy after prior combination chemo or anthracycline therapy	• Etoposide has an ORR of 36.1%
Gemcitabine	2A other	No	Phase IIA, randomized	Bleomycin + vincristine (BV)		Subsequent therapy after anti- retroviral therapy	Gemcitabine demonstrated clinical activity with a CR rate of 33.3% in chemotherapy-naïve patients
Imatinib	2A certain circumstances	No	Phase 2	N/A	ORR	Subsequent therapy after chemo or anti-retroviral therapy	• Imatinib has clinical activity in AIDS- KS with a PR of 33.3%



Interferon alpha-2b (1 million units per day) + zidovudine	None	No	Prospective randomized trial	Interferon alpha-2b (8 million units per day) + zidovudine			Zidovudine + interferon alpha demonstrated clinical activity with dose-related responses and toxicity
Thalidomide	2A certain circumstances	No	Phase 2 dose- escalation study	N/A	ORR Safety		• Thalidomide was found to induce an ORR of 40%.
Vinorelbine	2A other	No	Phase 2	N/A		Second-line or later	Vinorelbine is safe and effective in the treatment of patients with advanced KS who have been previously treated with one or more chemotherapy regimens (ORR 43%).