

# Apalutamide for Metastatic Castration-Sensitive Prostate Cancer in TITAN: Prognostic Importance of Prostate-Specific Antigen Responses

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# Background: TITAN Phase 3 Study

- Apalutamide is an oral nonsteroidal antiandrogen agent that binds to the androgen receptor and prevents nuclear translocation, DNA binding, and androgen receptor–mediated transcription<sup>1</sup>
- The phase 3 TITAN study showed that apalutamide plus androgen deprivation therapy (ADT) significantly improves overall survival (OS), radiographic progression-free survival (rPFS), and time to prostate-specific antigen (PSA) progression in a broad population of patients with metastatic castration-sensitive prostate cancer (mCSPC)<sup>2</sup>
- This post hoc analysis of the TITAN study data evaluated PSA declines and associations with clinical outcomes

# TITAN Study Design

## Broad patient population

### Key eligibility criteria

- Castration sensitive
- Distant metastatic disease by  $\geq 1$  lesion on bone scan
- ECOG PS 0 or 1

### On-study requirement

- Continuous ADT

### Permitted

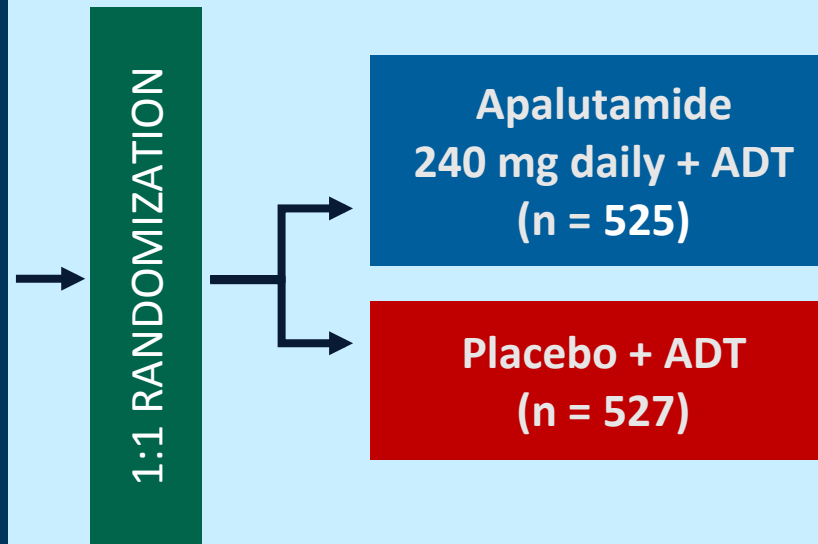
- Prior docetaxel
- ADT  $\leq 6$  mo for mCSPC or  $\leq 3$  yr for local disease
- Local treatment completed  $\geq 1$  yr prior

### Stratifications

- Gleason score at diagnosis ( $\leq 7$  vs  $\geq 8$ )
- Region (NA and EU vs all other countries)
- Prior docetaxel (yes vs no)

N = 1052

Dec 2015 –  
Jul 2017



### Dual primary end points

- OS
- rPFS

### Secondary end points

- Time to cytotoxic chemotherapy
- Time to pain progression
- Time to chronic opioid use
- Time to skeletal-related event

### Exploratory end points

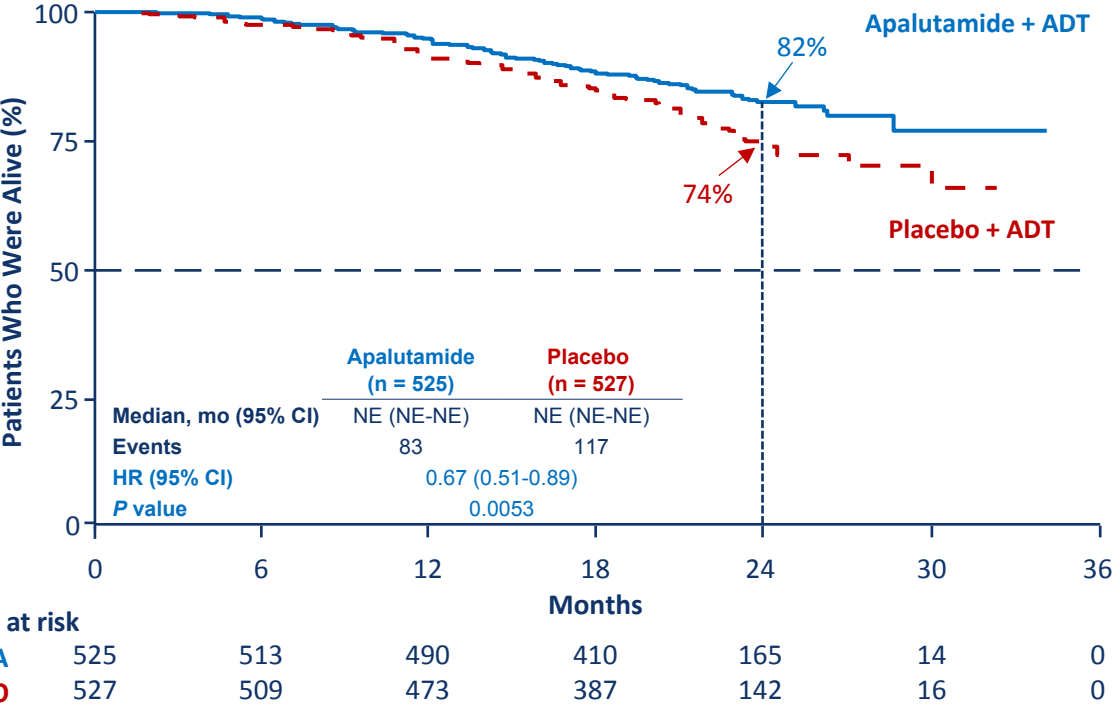
- Time to PSA progression<sup>a</sup>
- Second progression-free survival (PFS2)
- Time to symptomatic progression

<sup>a</sup>Based on Prostate Cancer Clinical Trials Working Group (PCWG2) criteria.

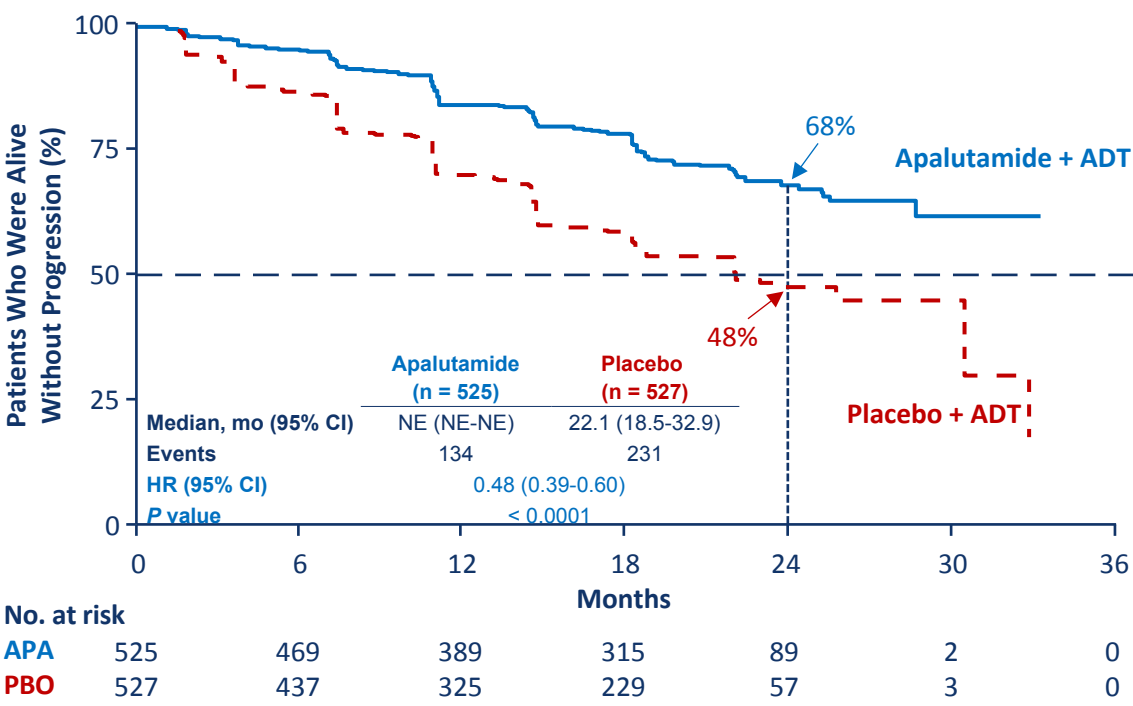
ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; EU, European Union; NA, North America.  
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# Rates of Both rPFS and OS Were Significantly Improved With Apalutamide Versus Placebo<sup>1</sup>

Apalutamide Significantly Reduced the Risk of Death by 33%



Apalutamide Significantly Reduced the Risk of Radiographic Progression or Death by 52%



APA, apalutamide; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; NE, not estimable; PBO, placebo.  
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# Methods: Correlation of PSA Response With Clinical Outcomes in TITAN

- 1052 patients with mCSPC receiving ADT were randomized 1:1 to apalutamide (240 mg/d, n = 525) or placebo (n = 527); median follow-up was 22.7 months<sup>1</sup>
- Depth of PSA response was evaluated by categorizing patients with PSA decline to  $\leq 0.2$  ng/mL or decline by  $< 50\%$ ,  $\geq 50\%$ - $90\%$ , or  $\geq 90\%$  from baseline
- Time to castration resistance (CRPC) was the time to PSA progression (PCWG2 criteria),<sup>2</sup> skeletal-related event, or radiographic progression, whichever came first
- OS was defined as the time from randomization to date of death from any cause
- rPFS was defined as the time from randomization to first documentation of radiographic progressive disease or death, whichever came first
- Trial registration: NCT02489318

# The Depth of PSA Response With Apalutamide Was Superior to That With Placebo

	APA (n = 525)	PBO (n = 527)
PSA at baseline <sup>a</sup> , median (range), ng/mL	5.97 (0.0-2682.0)	4.02 (0.0-2228.5)
PSA nadir, median (range), ng/mL	0.03 (0.0-498.4)	0.92 (0.0-1407.7)
Time to PSA nadir, median (range), mo	5.55 (0.1-25.9)	3.71 (0.7-25.8)
Confirmed PSA response ≥ 50%, n (%)	473 (90.1) <sup>a</sup>	274 (52.0)
Time to achieve confirmed PSA response ≥ 50%, median (range), mo	0.95 (0.3-11.1)	0.95 (0.1-16.6)
Confirmed PSA response ≥ 90%, n (%)	380 (72.4) <sup>a</sup>	124 (23.5)
Time to achieve confirmed PSA response ≥ 90%, median (range), mo	1.87 (0.3-20.3)	2.78 (0.1-18.4)
Confirmed PSA ≤ 0.2 ng/mL, n (%)	350 (66.7) <sup>b</sup>	129 (24.5)
Time to achieve confirmed PSA ≤ 0.2 ng/mL, median (range), mo	1.87 (0.1-20.3)	0.99 (0.7-20.2)

<sup>a</sup>At the time of randomization and following at least 2 weeks of ADT

<sup>b</sup> $P < 0.0001$  for APA vs PBO.

# Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

	Patients with PSA decline to $\leq 0.2$ ng/mL		Patients with PSA declines					
			$\geq 90\%$		50% to $< 90\%$		$< 50\%$	
	APA (n = 350)	PBO (n=129)	APA (n = 380)	PBO (n = 124)	APA (n = 93)	PBO (n = 150)	APA (n = 52)	PBO (n = 253)
Age, yr, median (range)	69.0 (45-94)	68.0 (45-84)	69.0 (47-94)	70.5 (47-90)	67.0 (45-89)	67.0 (48-85)	67.0 (56-87)	67.0 (43-88)
Time from initial diagnosis to randomization, mo, median (range)	3.93 (0.5-222.9)	5.72 (1.1-189.5)	3.09 (0.5-207.8)	2.37 (0.7-130.4)	6.54 (1.0-222.9)	2.97 (0.7-189.5)	6.64 (1.6-145.9)	5.22 (1.0-341.4)
Gleason score at diagnosis, n (%)								
< 8	126 (36.0)	50 (38.8)	127 (33.4)	44 (35.5)	34 (36.6)	54 (36.0)	13 (25.0)	71 (28.1)
$\geq 8$	224 (64.0)	79 (61.2)	253 (66.6)	80 (64.5)	59 (63.4)	96 (64.0)	39 (75.0)	182 (71.9)
ECOG performance status, n (%)								
0	227 (64.9)	97 (75.2)	238 (62.6)	86 (69.4)	59 (63.4)	98 (65.3) <sup>a</sup>	31 (59.6)	164 (64.8)
1	123 (35.1)	32 (24.8)	142 (37.4)	38 (30.6)	34 (36.6)	51 (34.0)	21 (40.4)	89 (35.2)
Prior docetaxel use, n (%)	37 (10.6)	24 (18.6)	22 (5.8)	3 (2.4)	26 (28.0)	9 (6.0)	10 (19.2)	43 (17.0)
Extent of disease at study entry, n (%)								
Bone metastases	350 (100.0)	129 (100.0)	380 (100.0)	124 (100.0)	93 (100.0)	150 (100.0)	52 (100.0)	253 (100.0)
Lymph node metastases	103 (29.4)	37 (28.7)	150 (39.5)	62 (50.0)	29 (31.2)	72 (48.0)	20 (38.5)	85 (33.6)
Visceral metastases	31 (8.9)	10 (7.8)	40 (10.5)	14 (11.3)	5 (5.4)	21 (14.0)	11 (21.2)	37 (14.6)

<sup>a</sup>One patient treated with PBO had ECOG PS 2 at baseline.

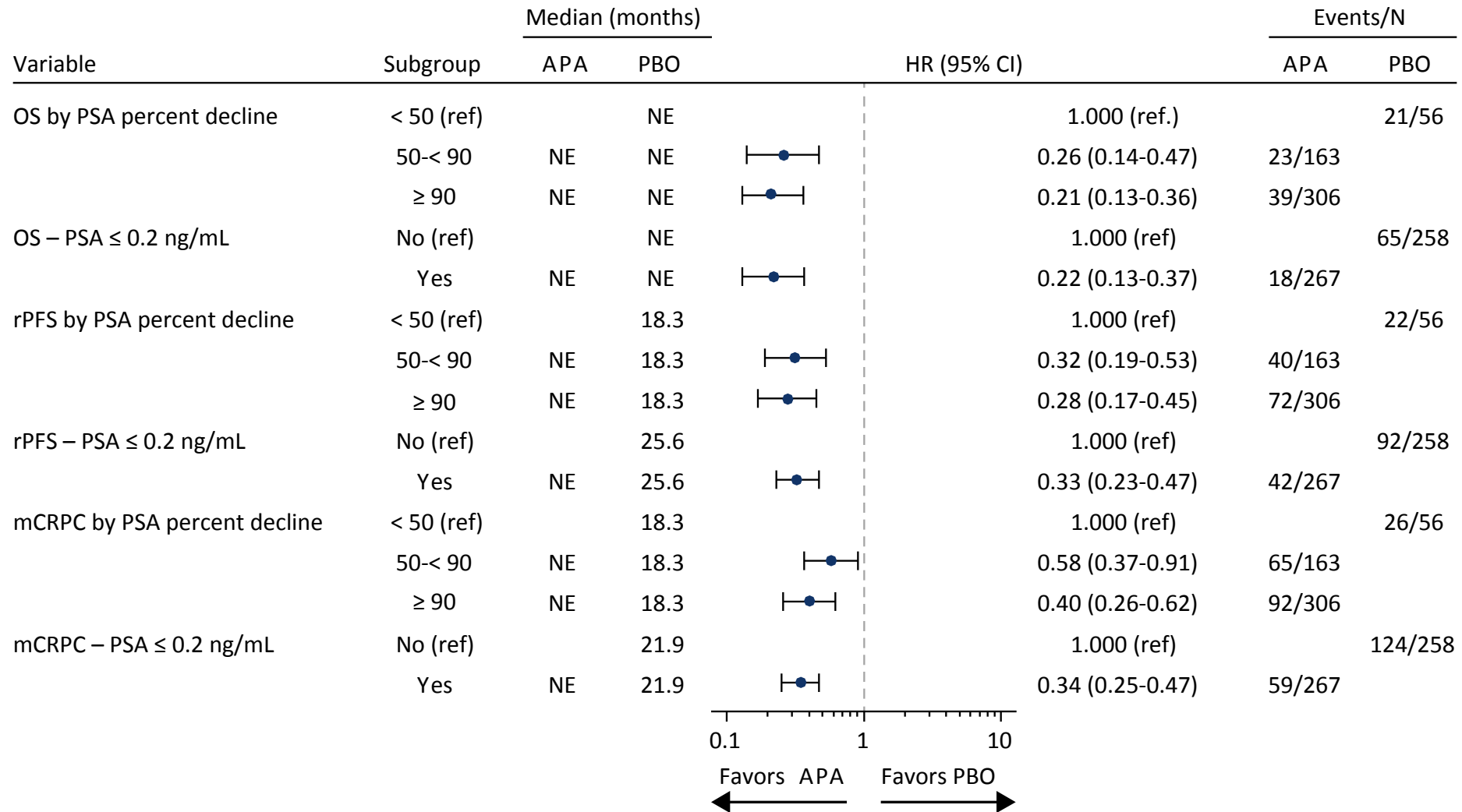


# More Patients in the Apalutamide Group Versus the Placebo Group Achieved PSA Responses Over Time

PSA Responses Over Time						
Decline	3 months		6 months		12 months	
	APA <sup>a</sup>	PBO	APA <sup>a</sup>	PBO	APA <sup>a</sup>	PBO
PSA ≥ 50% ↓	89%	41%	90%	49%	90%	52%
PSA ≥ 90% ↓	58%	13%	67%	18%	71%	22%
PSA ≤ 0.2 ng/mL	51%	18%	61%	21%	65%	23%

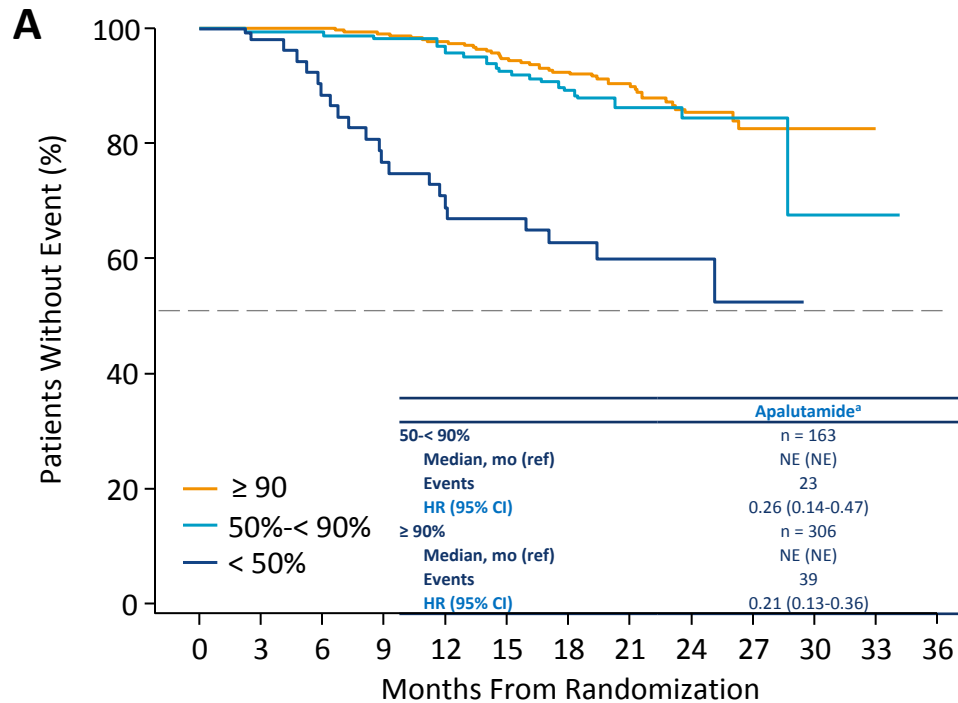
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# In Patients Treated With Apalutamide, PSA Response Was Associated With Improved rPFS, OS, and Castration Resistance



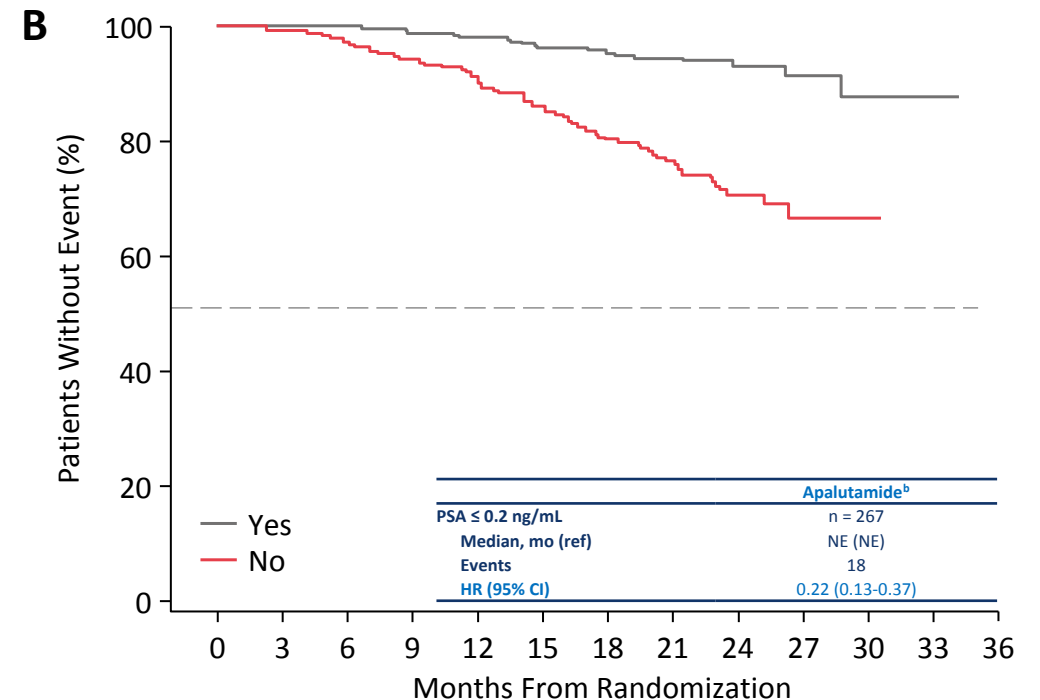
# Patients Who Achieved PSA Response Following 3 Months of Apalutamide Treatment Had Improved OS

Patients who achieved reduction of PSA  $\geq 90\%$ , PSA 50%-< 90%, and PSA < 50% by 3 months



Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
$\geq 90\%$	306	306	305	302	298	288	257	186	113	45	10	1	0
50%-< 90%	163	162	162	159	156	146	128	85	44	10	4	2	0
< 50%	56	51	46	39	36	33	25	18	8	5	0	0	0

Patients who achieved PSA  $\leq 0.2$  ng/mL and those who did not by 3 months



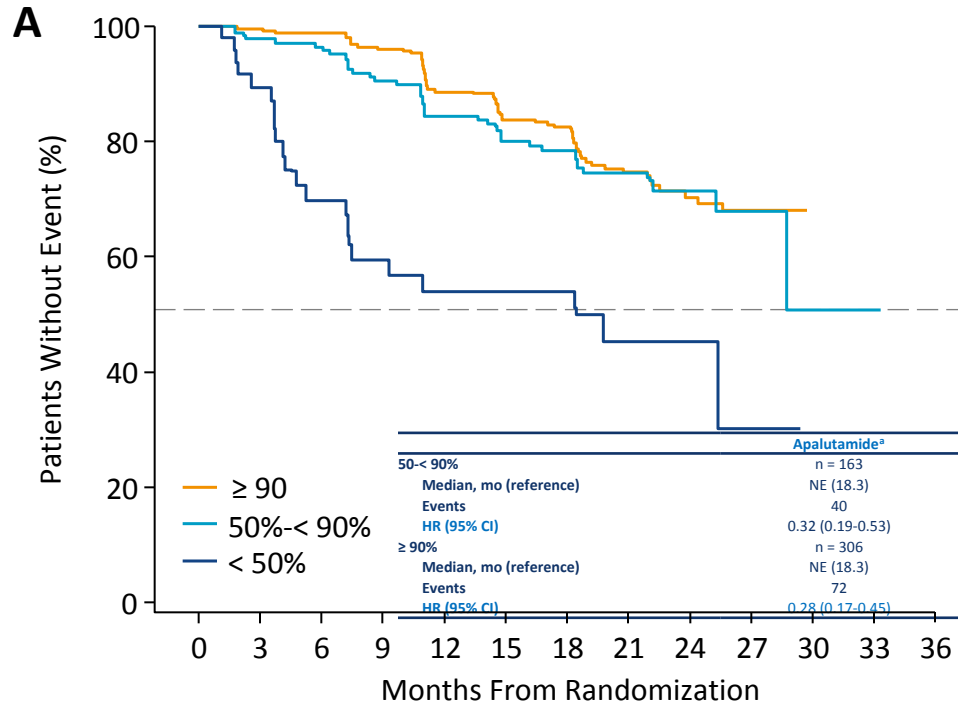
Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
Yes	267	267	267	264	261	256	233	168	96	46	12	3	0
No	258	252	246	236	229	211	177	121	69	14	2	0	0

<sup>a</sup>Reference: PSA decline < 50%; <sup>b</sup>reference: PSA > 0.2 ng/mL.

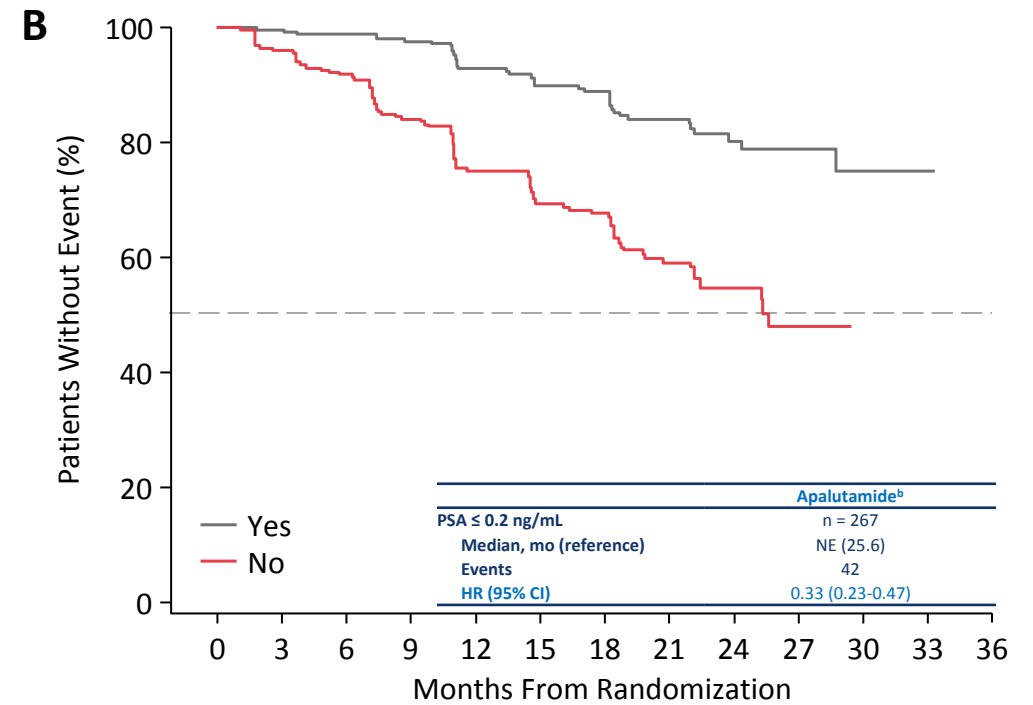
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Patients who achieved reduction of PSA  $\geq 90\%$ , PSA 50%-< 90%, and PSA < 50% by 3 months

Patients who achieved PSA  $\leq 0.2$  ng/mL and those who did not by 3 months



Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
$\geq 90\%$	306	301	291	275	247	207	201	124	65	16	0	0	0
50%-< 90%	163	158	151	137	122	102	99	60	21	4	2	1	0
< 50%	56	39	27	22	20	17	15	10	3	1	0	0	0

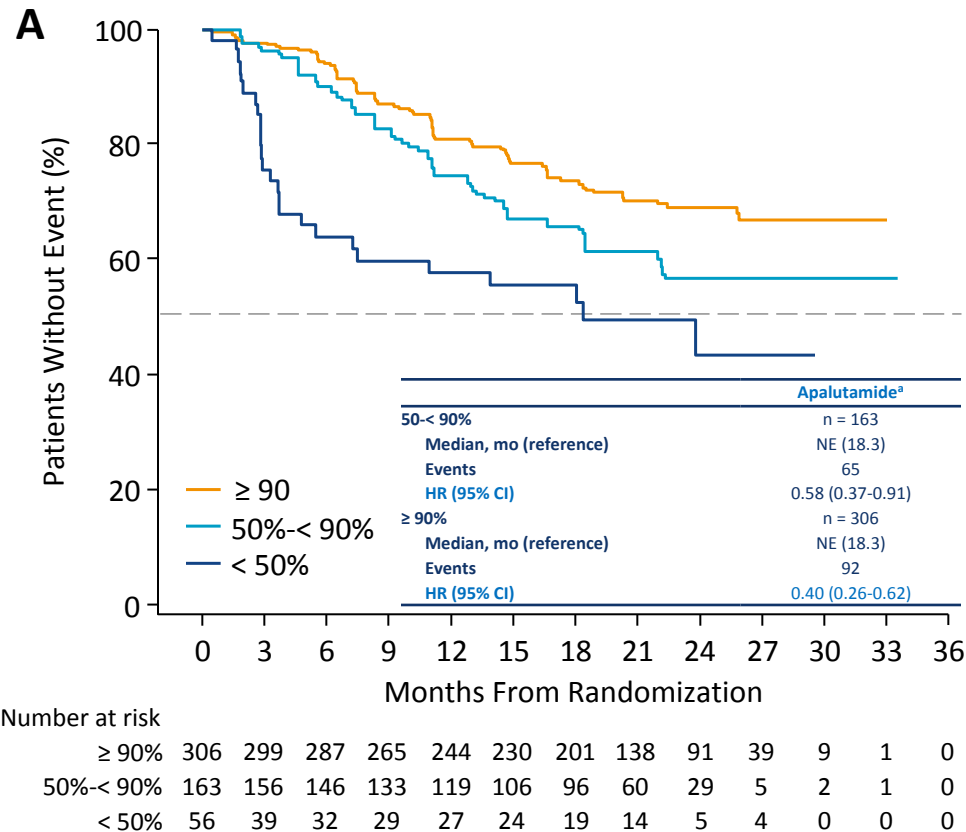


Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
Yes	267	262	252	242	224	195	189	117	64	20	2	1	0
No	258	236	217	192	165	131	126	77	25	1	0	0	0

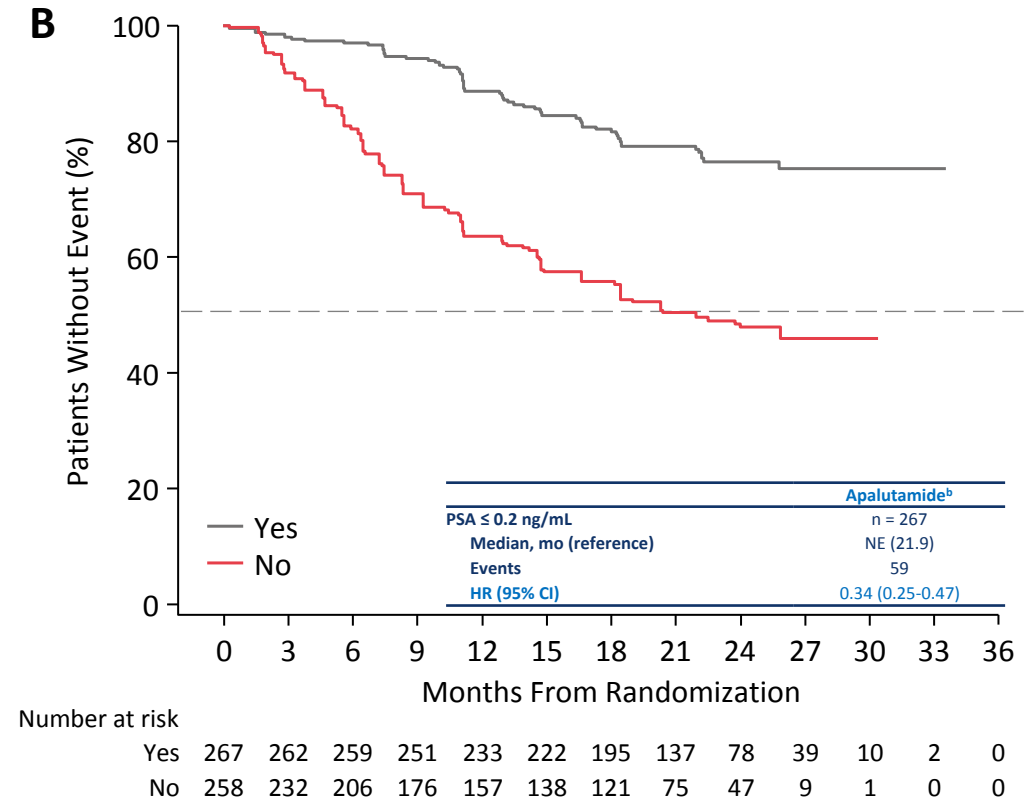
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# Time to Castration Resistance Was Improved in Patients With PSA Response After 3 Months of Apalutamide Treatment

Patients who achieved reduction of PSA  $\geq 90\%$ , PSA 50%–< 90%, and PSA < 50% by 3 months



Patients who achieved PSA  $\leq 0.2$  ng/mL and those who did not by 3 months



<sup>a</sup>Reference: PSA decline < 50%; <sup>b</sup>reference: PSA > 0.2 ng/mL.

# TITAN PSA Response Conclusions

- Treatment with apalutamide plus ADT demonstrated a robust response in serum PSA levels that were sustained over time in patients with mCSPC
- The magnitude of PSA response was significantly improved with the addition of apalutamide to ADT compared with placebo plus ADT
- The magnitude and depth of PSA response was associated with a significant extension/improvement of OS and a significant reduction/delay in radiographic progression, and the development of castration resistance
- Deep and rapid PSA response with apalutamide plus ADT as early as 3 months was associated with significantly improved long-term clinical outcomes indicating prognostic impact

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