

# Updated overall survival from the Phase 3 TOPAZ-1 study of durvalumab or placebo plus gemcitabine and cisplatin in patients with advanced biliary tract cancer

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## Objective

- Durvalumab plus gemcitabine and cisplatin (GemCis) significantly improved overall survival (OS) versus placebo plus GemCis in participants with advanced biliary tract cancer (BTC) with manageable safety at the primary analysis of TOPAZ-1; here, we assessed OS, the association of OS with best objective response (BoR) and safety data from TOPAZ-1 following an additional 6.5 months of follow-up after the primary analysis

## Conclusions

- Durvalumab plus GemCis continues to demonstrate consistent, clinically meaningful and durable benefit versus placebo plus GemCis with longer-term follow-up
  - The two-year survival rate with durvalumab plus GemCis was approximately twice that of placebo plus GemCis
  - The survival benefit with durvalumab plus GemCis extends to participants with stable disease (SD) as well as responders
- The safety profile of durvalumab plus GemCis remains manageable, with no new safety signals observed with longer follow-up
- These updated OS and safety data further support durvalumab plus GemCis as a new first-line standard of care regimen for people with advanced BTC

## Plain language summary

### Why did we perform this research?

- GemCis is a standard first treatment for people with advanced BTC
- Participants who received durvalumab, a type of immunotherapy, plus GemCis lived longer than participants who received placebo plus GemCis in the original analysis of the TOPAZ-1 study
- Here, we conducted an updated analysis of TOPAZ-1 after participants had been observed for an additional 6.5 months to assess the benefit over more time

### How did we perform this research?

Participants were treated with either durvalumab plus GemCis or placebo plus GemCis. The length of time participants lived for, whether their tumours grew, got smaller or disappeared and the side effects they experienced during the study were measured

### What were the findings of this research?

After additional observation, participants who received durvalumab plus GemCis continued to live longer than participants who received placebo plus GemCis, and this benefit was observed whether participants' tumours stayed the same size, got smaller or disappeared. The percentage of participants experiencing side effects, and the severity of those side effects, was similar between treatment groups

### What are the implications of this research?

These results further support durvalumab plus GemCis as a new standard first treatment for people with advanced BTC

### Where can I access more information?

Information about the medicines being used in this study and the people who could participate can be found here: <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03875235>  
Previous results from this study can be found here: <https://evidence.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/EVIDoa2200015>

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## Introduction

- At the pre-planned interim analysis (IA, data cut-off: 11 August 2021) of TOPAZ-1 (NCT03875235), durvalumab plus GemCis significantly improved OS versus placebo plus GemCis (hazard ratio [HR], 0.80; 95% confidence interval [CI], 0.66–0.97; p=0.021, threshold for significance=0.03)<sup>1</sup>
  - Durvalumab did not increase toxicity
- Based on these results from the TOPAZ-1 study, the National Comprehensive Cancer Network® considers durvalumab plus GemCis a preferred regimen for the first-line treatment of advanced BTC<sup>2</sup>
- A previous meta-analysis found that response rate and disease control rate with first-line chemotherapy are not strongly correlated with OS in advanced BTC<sup>3</sup>
- Here, we report an updated OS and safety analysis for TOPAZ-1 and a post hoc analysis to determine OS by BoR in TOPAZ-1

## Methods

- TOPAZ-1 is a randomised, double-blind, global, Phase 3 study (Figure 1)
- This OS and safety analysis was conducted after 6.5 months of additional follow-up (data cut-off: 25 February 2022) after the primary analysis, with 76.9% overall OS event maturity
- Duration of follow-up was calculated in all participants using the inverse Kaplan-Meier method with the censoring indicator reversed
- OS HRs and 95% CIs for all randomised participants were calculated using a stratified Cox proportional hazards model, adjusting for disease status (initially unresectable or recurrent) and primary tumour location (intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma [ICC], extrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma [ECC] or gallbladder cancer [GBC])
  - Subgroup analysis of OS used unstratified Cox proportional hazards models with treatment as covariate
- BoR was assessed by the investigator per Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumours v1.1 in all randomised participants with measurable disease at baseline and defined as response (complete response or partial response), SD or progressive disease (PD); BoR was determined based on the IA data cut-off (11 August 2021); this represents the final BoR analysis

## Results and interpretation

### Study population

- The details of the TOPAZ-1 participant population have been previously reported<sup>1</sup>
  - Participant demographics and disease characteristics were generally balanced between treatment groups

### Duration of follow-up

- At data cut-off for this analysis, median (95% CI) follow-up time was 23.4 (20.6–25.2) months and 22.4 (21.4–23.8) months for durvalumab plus GemCis and placebo plus GemCis, respectively

### Overall survival

- With 6.5 months of additional follow-up, the OS benefit with the addition of durvalumab to GemCis numerically improved versus the IA (HR [95% CI], 0.76 [0.64–0.91] from 0.80 [0.66–0.97] at IA<sup>1</sup>; Figure 2)
  - The piecewise HR (95% CI) after the 6-month landmark improved to 0.71 (0.58–0.88) from 0.74 (0.58–0.94) at IA<sup>1</sup>
  - Two-year survival (95% CI) was 23.6% (18.7–28.9) in the durvalumab arm and 11.5% (7.6–16.2) in the placebo arm

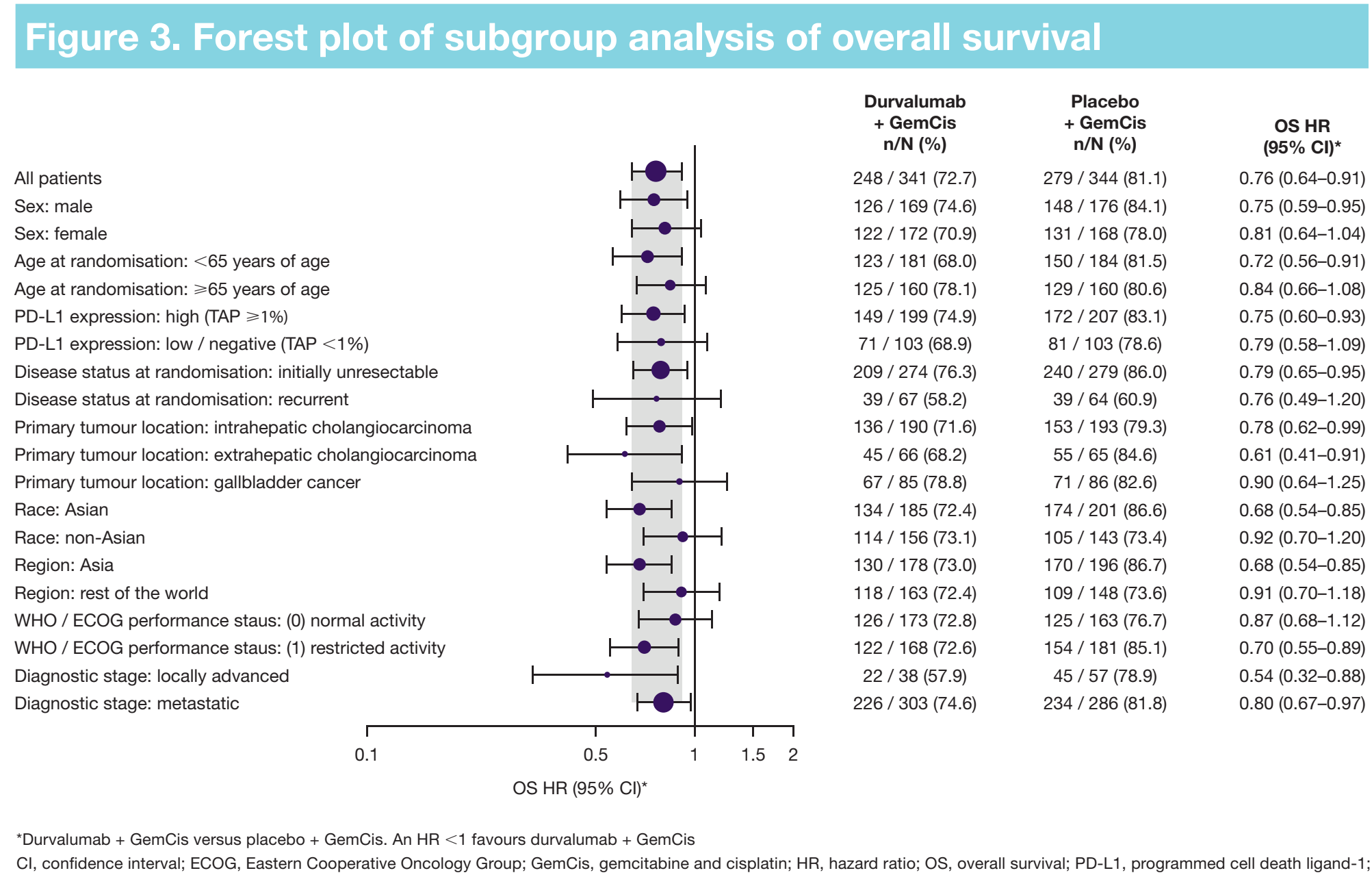
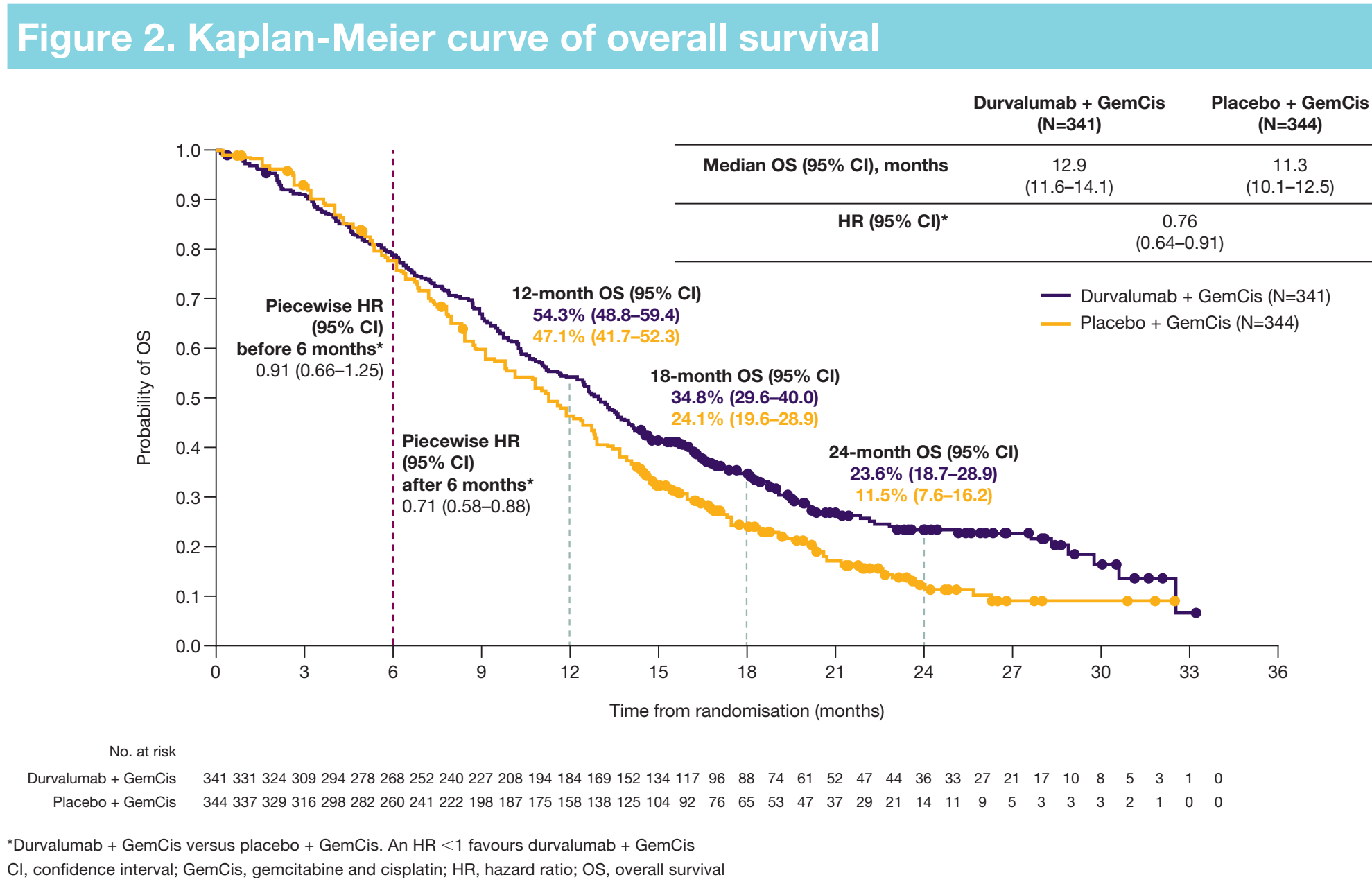


Table 1. Best objective response		
	Durvalumab + GemCis (N=341)	Placebo + GemCis (N=343)
Responders, <sup>1</sup> n (%)	91 (26.7)	64 (18.7)
Complete response, <sup>1</sup> n (%)	7 (2.1)	2 (0.6)
Partial response, <sup>1</sup> n (%)	84 (24.6)	62 (18.1)
Non-responders, n (%)	250 (73.3)	279 (81.3)
Stable disease, n (%)	200 (58.7)	220 (64.1)
Progressive disease, <sup>1</sup> n (%)	47 (13.8)	51 (14.9)
Not evaluable	3 (0.9)	8 (2.3)

Table 2. Adverse events		
	Durvalumab + GemCis (N=338)	Placebo + GemCis (N=342)
Any AE, n (%)	336 (99.4)	338 (98.8)
Grade 3 or 4 AE	250 (74.0)	257 (75.1)
AE leading to death	13 (3.8)	14 (4.1)
AE leading to discontinuation	43 (12.7)	52 (15.2)
Any TRAE, n (%)	314 (92.9)	308 (90.1)
Grade 3 or 4 TRAE	206 (60.9)	217 (63.5)
TRAE leading to death	2 (0.6)	1 (0.3)
TRAE leading to discontinuation	30 (8.9)	39 (11.4)

### Figure 4. Kaplan-Meier curve of overall survival by best objective response

	Responders (CR / PR)		Stable disease		Progressive disease	
	Durvalumab + GemCis (N=91)	Placebo + GemCis (N=64)	Durvalumab + GemCis (N=194)	Placebo + GemCis (N=217)	Durvalumab + GemCis (N=22)	Placebo + GemCis (N=29)
Median OS (95% CI), months	19.5 (15.7–28.3)	15.7 (14.0–19.0)	13.6 (12.2–14.7)	11.5 (9.9–12.8)	5.7 (3.6–8.9)	6.7 (4.5–8.5)
12-month OS, % (95% CI)	75.8 (65.6–83.4)	75.0 (62.5–83.9)	57.5 (50.2–64.1)	48.0 (41.2–54.5)	18.2 (5.7–36.3)	19.2 (7.2–35.5)
18-month OS, % (95% CI)	57.8 (46.6–67.1)	41.1 (28.7–53.0)	32.1 (25.4–39.1)	23.8 (18.2–29.9)	13.6 (3.4–30.9)	10.2 (2.1–25.9)
24-month OS, % (95% CI)	40.6 (29.0–51.8)	20.5 (9.8–33.9)	20.7 (14.5–27.6)	10.6 (6.1–16.5)	13.6 (3.4–30.9)	NC
OS HR (95% CI) <sup>*</sup>	0.69 (0.46–1.04)		0.77 (0.62–0.96)		NC	

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