

Appendix I: Ovarian cancer risk and risk reduction from RRSO

Criteria: Mutation based	Breast cancer risk (95% CI)	Ovarian cancer risk (95% CI)	Age for RRSO ^a
<i>BRCA1</i> ⁴	72% (65–79%)	44% (36–53%)	From 35–40 years ^b
<i>BRCA2</i> ⁴	69% (61–77%)	17% (11–25%)	From 40–45 years ^c
<i>RAD51C</i> ²⁴	21% (15–29%)	11% (6–21%)	From 40–50 years ^d
<i>RAD51D</i> ²⁴	20% (14–28%)	13% (7–23%)	From 40–50 years ^d
<i>BRIP1</i> ²⁵	No increase	5.8% (3.6–9.1%)	> 45–50 years ^e
<i>PALB2</i> ^{26g}	53% (44–63%)	~5% (2–10%)	> 45–50 years ^d
	Endometrial cancer risk (95% CI)	Ovarian cancer risk (95% CI)	Age for hysterectomy and RRSO ^a
<i>MLH1</i> ^{79–81}	37% (30.1–46.5%)	11% (7.4–19.7%)	From 35–40 years
<i>MSH2</i> ^{79–81}	48.9% (40.2–60.7%)	17.4% (11.8–31.2%)	From 35–40 years
<i>MSH6</i> ^{79–81}	41.1% (28.6–61.5%)	10.8% (3.7–38.6%)	From 35–40 years
Criteria: FH based and BRCA status unknown ^h	Ovarian cancer familial relative risk	Ovarian cancer risk	
One FDR with OC ²⁷	~3 (2.4, 3.7)	~5.8% (4.7%, 7.2%)	
Two OC case families ²⁸	~4 (1.1, 10.4)	~7.7% (2.2%, 18.9%)	
Three or more OC case families ²⁸	~7.45 (2.0, 19.1)	~13.9% (3.9%, 31.9%)	
Criteria: FH based and BRCA-negative ^h			RRSO may be delayed until 50 years of age (can be influenced by ages and distribution of OC in the family)
One FDR with OC <50 years ²⁷	~3.83 (2.4, 6.1)	~7.4% (4.7%, 11.6%)	
One FDR with serous OC ²⁷	~2.56 (1.8, 3.7)	~5% (3.6%, 7.2%)	
Two OC familial cases ²⁸	~3–4 (estimated)	~5.8–7.7%	
Three or more OC familial cases ²⁸	~7 (estimated)	~13%	
Familial high risk BC only ^{82,83}	≤ 1	Likely population level OC risk (~2%)	RRSO not recommended
Cancer risk reduction with RRSO	Breast cancer risk reduction	Ovarian cancer risk reduction	Mortality reduction ^f
<i>BRCA1</i> , <i>BRCA2</i>	Earlier studies: 50% reduction in primary BC risk ⁷ More recent studies ⁸ : No reduction in primary BC risk Reduction in premenopausal BC risk in <i>BRCA2</i>	80–96% OC risk reduction ⁶ 2–4% residual PPC risk in <i>BRCA</i> carriers ⁶ PPC post preventive surgery in Lynch syndrome is rare	60–77% reduction in all cause mortality ^{6,84} 79% reduction in OC specific mortality 56% reduction in BC mortality

Appendix I. (Continued)

Low risk women	No reduction in contralateral BC risk	94% reduction in OC risk ¹³
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BC, breast cancer; FDR, first degree relative; FH, family history; OC, ovarian cancer; PPC, primary peritoneal cancer; RRSO, risk-reducing salpingo-oophorectomy.

^aRRSO may be offered from up to 5 years before the earliest onset OC in the family in women with early onset ovarian cancer.

^bOC risk in *BRCA1* begins to rise from 35 years of age and increases significantly after 40 years of age.

^cOC risk in *BRCA2* begins to rise from 40 years of age and increases significantly after 45 years of age.

^dAlthough data are limited, OC has not yet been reported in *RAD51C*, *RAD51D* and *PALB2* carriers under 40 years of age.

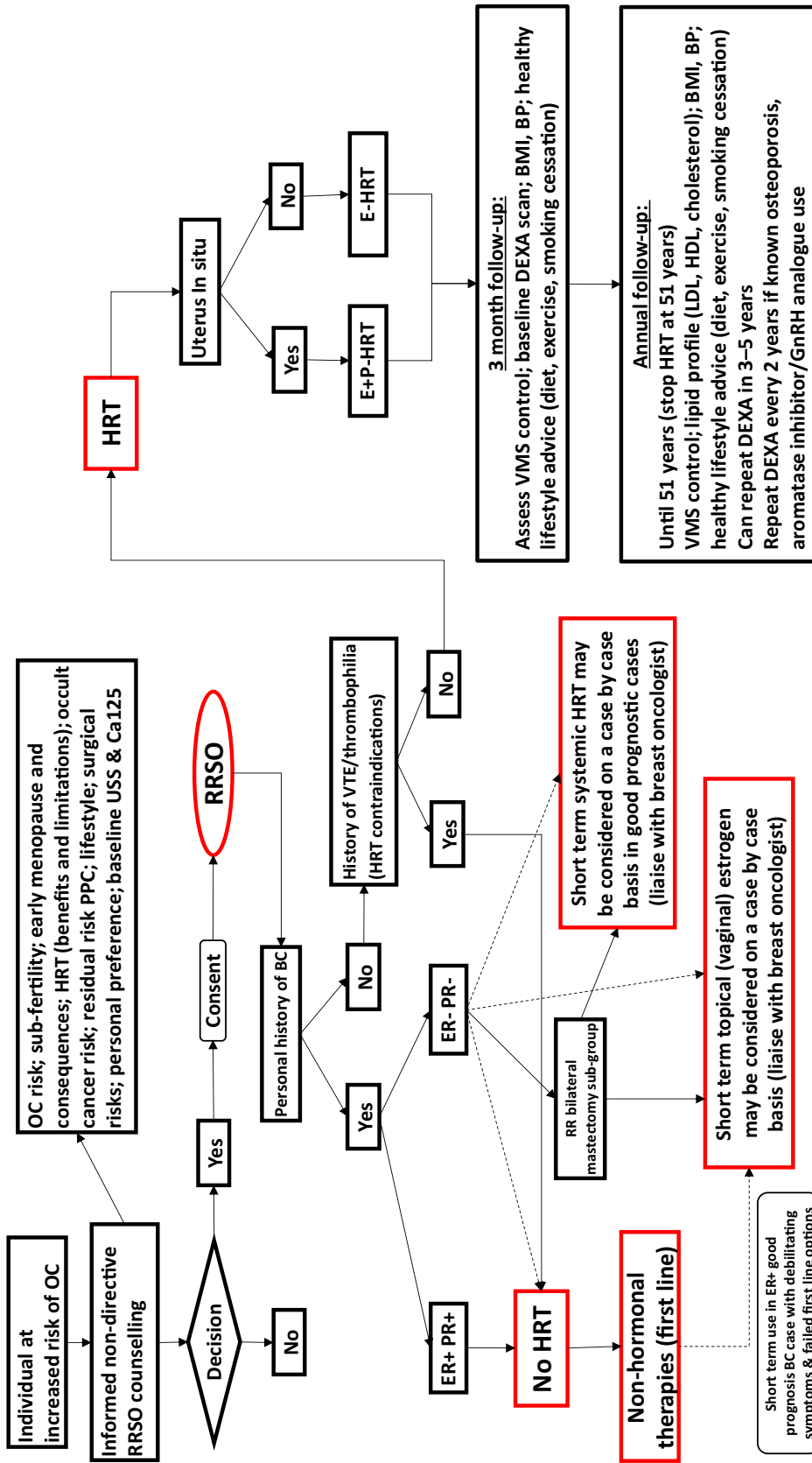
^eOC has not been reported in *BRIP1* carriers under 45 years of age.

^fMortality data are based on medium term outcomes with median follow-up time in studies of 3.6–4.3 years⁸⁰ and 5.6 years.⁵

^g*PALB2* was recently confirmed as a moderate risk OC gene, with some now supporting RRSO in these women, while others citing limited evidence for this. RRSO can be considered for women with *PALB2* mutations taking into account additional risk and protective factors, and is preferably carried out nearer/after menopause.

^hIn cases where ovarian cancer risk assessment appears complex or difficult, it is important to seek advice from a specialist with greater expertise such as a clinical geneticist or gynaecologist/gynaecological oncologist with special interest in genetic risk assessment or hereditary cancer risk management.

Appendix II: Flowchart for risk-reducing surgery and HRT management



b/l, bilateral; BC, breast cancer; BMI, body-mass index; BP, blood pressure; DEXA, dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry; E, estrogen; ER+, estrogen receptor-positive; GnRH, gonadotrophin-releasing hormone; HDL, high-density lipoprotein; HRT, hormone replacement therapy; LDL, low-density lipoprotein; OC, ovarian cancer; P, progesterone; PPC, primary peritoneal cancer; PR+, progesterone receptor-positive; RR, risk reducing; USS, ultrasound scan; VMS, vasomotor symptoms; VTE, venous thromboembolism.

Appendix III: Summary of the benefits and risks of premenopausal RRSO in women at increased risk of ovarian cancer

Impact of premenopausal RRSO: summary of benefits and risks	
Benefits	Comment
Reduction in OC risk	See Appendix I
Reduction in all-cause mortality	See Appendix I
Reduction in OC specific mortality	See Appendix I
Reduction in BC specific mortality	See Appendix I
Reduction in anxiety and depression	
Reduction in OC worry	
Identification of occult in situ/invasive cancer at histology	5% risk in <i>BRCA</i> carriers. Improved survival with identification of early stage disease
Risks (high risk women)	Comment
Infertility	
Premature menopause	
Vasomotor symptoms	Minimised by HRT
Sexual dysfunction	Improved by HRT, but sexual discomfort remains higher compared to women who retain their ovaries
QoL	No difference in generic QoL with RRSO
Osteoporosis	HRT preserves bone mineral density. No increase in fracture risk reported with RRSO
Primary peritoneal cancer residual risk	2–4% in <i>BRCA</i> carriers, rare in Lynch syndrome
Surgical complications	3–4% risk
Additional risks from oophorectomy in low risk women (with lack of adequate data specific to high risk women)	Comment
Coronary heart disease ^a	Seen predominantly in women who do not take HRT. Ameliorated by HRT
Mortality from heart disease	3% increase risk in women who do not take HRT
Dementia or neurocognitive dysfunction	Seen predominantly in women who do not take HRT
Parkinson's disease	Not significantly increased
Stroke	Not significantly increased

BC, breast cancer; HRT, hormone replacement therapy; OC, ovarian cancer; QoL, quality of life; RRSO, risk-reducing salpingo-oophorectomy.

^aTwo small studies in women undergoing RRSO do not demonstrate increase in risk of heart disease but these need to be interpreted with caution and should not be used to draw significant inferences.

Appendix IV: HRT adverse effects

Estrogenic	Breast tenderness Fluid retention Leg cramps Nausea Headaches
Progestogenic	Premenstrual syndrome-like symptoms Nausea Acne Fluid retention Bloating Headache Mood changes Pelvic pain
Androgen	Hirsutism Acne
Other	Erratic breakthrough uterine bleeding in first 3–6 months of continuous combined and long cycle HRT regimens

Appendix V: HRT and breast cancer risk following RRSO

Genetic risk factor	BC risk with HRT post RRSO	RRSO studies reporting HRT and BC risk ^a	Summary advice
<i>BRCA1</i> , <i>BRCA2</i>	No increase in primary risk if no personal history of BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BC with HRT post RRSO (HR 0.37, CI 0.14–0.96), similar to BC HR in overall RRSO cohort⁴⁹ <i>BRCA1</i> RRSO ever vs never HRT users (OR 0.58, CI 0.35–0.96; $P = 0.03$)⁵¹ <i>BRCA1</i> RRSO ever versus never HRT users (OR 0.80, CI 0.55–1.16; $P = 0.24$)⁵⁰ <i>BRCA1</i> RRSO ever versus never HRT users (HR 0.97, CI 0.62–1.52; $P = 0.89$)⁵⁴ 	<p>HRT can be given up to age 51 if no personal history of BC and no other HRT contraindications.</p> <p>Good prognostic TNBC: short-term HRT may be considered on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>ER+/PR+BC: No HRT</p>

BC, breast cancer; ER+, estrogen receptor-positive; HR, hazard ratio; HRT, hormone replacement therapy; PR+, progesterone receptor-positive; RRSO, risk-reducing salpingo-oophorectomy; TNBC, triple negative breast cancer.

^aThese data are based on short-term outcomes. Additional well-designed studies with long-term outcomes are needed.

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