



# ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFETY OF FRUQUINTINIB IN METASTATIC COLORECTAL CANCER IN REAL-WORLD CLINICAL PRACTICE

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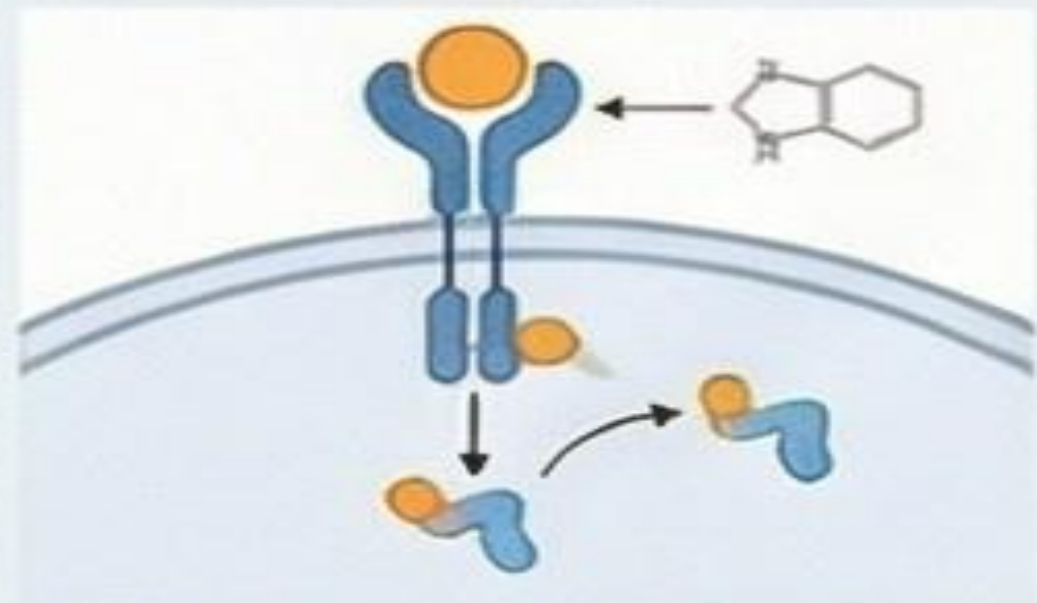
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## Keywords

**Key Terms:** Metastatic colorectal cancer, Fruquintinib, Effectiveness, Safety.

## Background and Importance



**Mechanism of Action:** Fruquintinib is a selective inhibitor of VEGFR-1, 2, and 3 tyrosine kinase.

**Indications:** Indicated for adult patients with mCRC previously treated with fluoropyrimidine-, oxaliplatin-, and irinotecan-based chemotherapy, anti-VEGF/anti-EGFR therapies, and who progressed on or are intolerant to TAS-102 or regorafenib.

## Aim and Objectives

**Study Objective:** To evaluate the effectiveness and safety of fruquintinib in adult patients with mCRC treated at three tertiary hospitals.

## Material and Methods

**Study Design:** Observational, retrospective, multicentre study conducted between December 2024 and September 2025.

**Primary Endpoints:** Effectiveness was measured via median progression-free survival (PFS) and median overall survival (OS).

**Data Collection:** Demographic data, KRAS mutation status, prior treatments, treatment duration, dose reductions, and adverse events (AEs).

## Results

### Patient Profile



**Cohort Demographics:** 31 patients (58% male) with a mean age of 66.9 years (range 52–77).



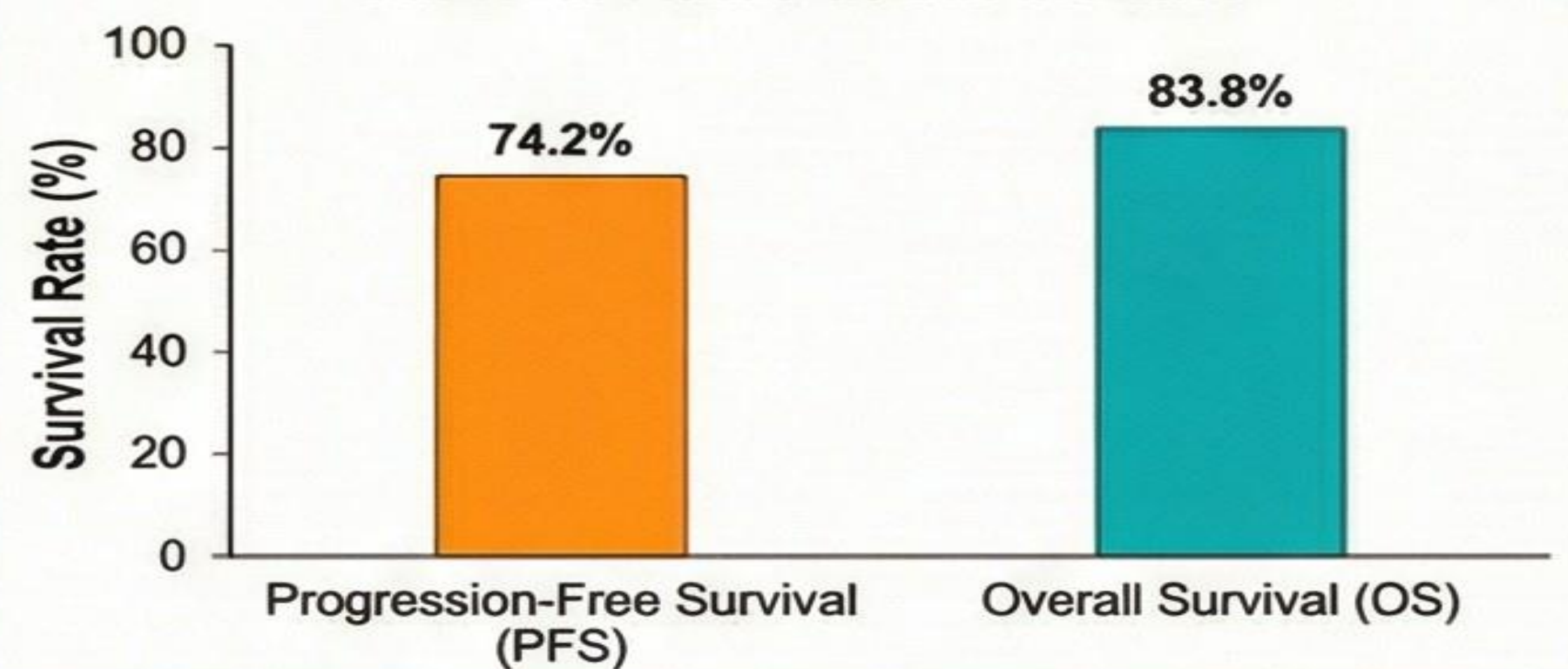
**Genetic Profile and History:** 58% of patients had KRAS mutations, and the cohort had a median of four prior treatment lines.



**Treatment Exposure:** Patients received a median of 3 treatment cycles (range: 1–7).

### Effectiveness and Safety

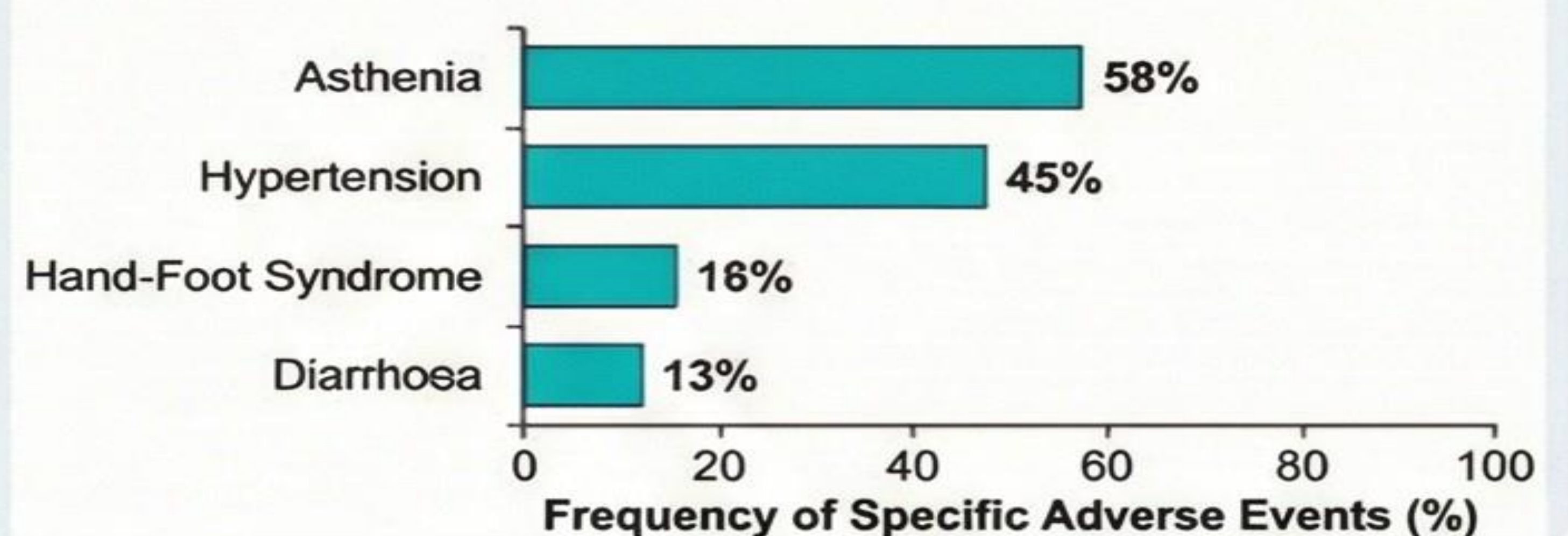
#### Survival Rates at Six Months



### Adverse Events Overview

**Adverse events** were reported in 87.1% of patients, leading to dose reductions in 48% of the cohort.

**Treatment Discontinuation:** Three patients discontinued treatment due to adverse events (hypertension and elevated transaminases).



## Conclusion and Relevance

**Effectiveness Summary:** Fruquintinib demonstrated limited effectiveness in this heavily pre-treated population, with poorer outcomes in patients with KRAS mutations.

**Safety Observations:** The safety profile was consistent with known toxicities but required frequent dose modifications.

**Future Outlook:** Larger studies with extended follow-up are warranted to validate these findings.