

# Personalized Therapy for Breast Cancer in the Era of Molecular Cancer Medicine

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# **Breast Cancer—A Global Challenge**









## **Changing Landscape of Breast Cancer**





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## Many Names---One Goal

- Personalized
- Molecularly informed
- Individualized
- Tailored
- Stratified
- Precision







# Hallmarks of Cancer



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**CHANGING** MEDICINE

#### Coordinated Analysis of Breast Cancer Subtypes Defined from Multiple Genomic/Proteomic Platforms

- 463 patients with:
- mRNA expression array
- DNA methylation
- •SNP array
- miRNA sequence
- •Whole exome sequencing

**RPPA** 







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#### **Potential Methods for Breast Cancer Prevention**

# Pharmacological



Lifestyle

- Limit use of HRT
- Avoid alcohol
- Maintain normal BMI
- Exercise





# **Metaanalysis of SERM Prevention Trials**

# 9 trials of 83,399 women with 65 mo median followup



ALL PROPERTY

Cuzick et al, Lancet, 2013

Agency	Recommendation
US FDA	Tamoxifen approved for high risk > 34 years Raloxifene approved for high risk post
USPSTF (2002)	Discuss tamoxifen with high risk women Against for normal/low risk women
ASCO (2013)	Discuss tamoxifen for high risk pre Discuss tamoxifen or raloxifene or AI for high risk post
NCCN (2012)	Discuss tamoxifen for high risk pre Discuss tamoxifen or raloxifene or exemestane for high risk post

ASCO, Visvanathan et al, J Clin Oncol, 2013





# **BRCA1/2** Testing

- From identification of genetic loci to clinical test
- Impact of prophylactic mastectomy and oophorectomy demonstrated
- Role of additional screening and prevention strategies—MRI for breast screening
- Testing should be offered to appropriate candidates
- Ongoing deciphering of repair pathway defects
- Role of PARP inhibitors for treatment?





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# **Limiting Local Therapy**

#### RADICAL MASTECTOMY



#### MODIFIED RADICAL MASTECTOMY

# breast cancer tumor lymph nodes

PARTIAL MASTECTOMY

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#### TOTAL MASTECTOMY



#### LUMPECTOMY



# **Directions in Tailored Local Therapy**

- Ability to omit axillary dissection for positive sentinel nodes
- Use of accelerated breast radiotherapy
- Omit radiotherapy after lumpectomy for older women with early stage HR-positive breast cancer receiving endocrine therapy (Hughes et al, JCO, 2013)
- Omit radiotherapy for certain DCIS





# Use of a DCIS Score to Predict Invasive Recurrence with Lumpectomy Alone for DCIS—E5194



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#### Randomized Trials of 10 vs 5 Years of Adjuvant Tamoxifen

Trial	Patient Number
ECOG, Scottish, NSABP B-14	1588
ATLAS	11646
aTTom	6953
Total	20187

ATLAS, Lancet, 2013 aTTom, ASCO, 2013 TPMC LIFE MINING

# Outcomes in ATLAS and aTTom Trials of 10 vs 5 years of Tamoxifen

	<b>Breast Cancer</b>	Overall
	Mortality	Survival
Years 5-9	0.97 (0.84-1.15)	0.99 (0.89-1.10)
Years 10+	0.75 (0.65-0.86)*	0.84 (0.77-0.93)*
All years	0.85 (0.77-0.94)*	0.91 (0.84-0.97)*

\* P < 0.05 favoring 10 years

Gray et al, ASCO, 2013 UPMC LIFE CHANGING MEDICINE



#### Summary of Reported Adjuvant Aromatase Inhibitor Trials



# **Challenges in Optimal Endocrine Therapy**

- Selection, duration and sequence
- Predictive markers beyond ER, PR—Ki67?
- Reversal or prevention of endocrine resistance
- Compliance of patient and doctor
- Dissemination of endocrine prevention strategies for high risk women





#### Use of BCI, Oncotype RS or IHC4 to Predict Early and Late Recurrence in TransATAC





 BCI low
 202
 198
 191
 185

 BCI intermediate
 81
 80
 77
 71

 BCI high
 54
 52
 49
 42







RS low	207	203	197	189	169	103	
RS intermediate	85	84	80	73	67	37	
RS high	45	43	40	36	31	12	



RS high 54









#### Sgroi et al, Lancet Oncol, 2013

#### Kaplan-Meier Curve for Continuation of Hormonal Therapy among 8,769 Patients



**Over 4.5 years:** 

32% discontinued

28% of those who continued were non-adherent

49% took therapy for full duration at optimal schedule





Hershman D L et al. JCO 2010

#### Increased Mortality with Early Endocrine Therapy Non-adherence and Discontinuation



#### Everolimus in Postmenopausal Hormone-Receptor– Positive Advanced Breast Cancer

- Postmenopausal
- Advanced breast cancer
- •ER+ HER2 -
- Refractory to letrozole or anastrozole
- •End point=PFS
- •2:1 randomization



Baselga et al, N Engl J Med, 2012



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### Use of a CDK4/6 Inhibitor

#### PD 0332991 + Letrozole Progression Free Survival



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# **Strategies for Targeting HER2**



### **Rationale for Adjuvant Trastuzumab Trials**

- Some breast cancers overexpress HER2
- Trastuzumab alone or with chemotherapy provides effective palliation in metastatic disease with HER2overexpression
- Cardiac toxicity is seen with trastuzumab, especially with anthracycline





### **Adjuvant Trastuzumab Trials**



#### Adjuvant Trastuzumab Therapy--N9831 and B-31



•Improved EFS and overall survival

- •No clear markers of response
- •Acceptable toxicity

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Perez et al, J Clin Oncol, 2011

#### Improved PFS and Overall Survival with Addition of Pertuzumab to Trastuzumab for Stage IV Breast Cancer—Cleopatra Trial



Swain et al, Lancet Oncol, 2013

### **Mechanism of Action of T-DM1**



Adapted from LoRusso PM, et al. Clin Cancer Res 2011.

#### Improved PFS and OS for Stage IV with T-DM1



### **Neoadjuvant Therapy with Anti HER Agents**

- Using pCR as endpoint:
- Lowest pCR Lapatinib
  - Pertuzumab
  - Trastuzumab
  - Lapatinib + trastuzumab
  - Trastuzumab + pertuzumab



Highest pCR

#### **Anticipated Result of Adjuvant anti-HER-2 Trials**



Stratify by Region, Nodal status, HR status

Primary endpoint: IDFS Secondary endpoints: DFS, DRFI, OS

17 months to enroll; 54 months to data

Alpha = 0.05; 80% power; 171 events

400 sites; 14 months ramp up to 190 pt/m peak; average 0.26 p/s/m

AC: adriamycin/cyclophosphamide; FEC: 5FU/epirubicin/cyclophosphamide; T: docetaxel Q3W or paclitaxel QW; MDD: Minimal Detectable Difference

# **Challenges in Optimal HER-2 Therapy**

- Needed for all patients with HER-2 expressing tumors?
- Value in breast cancer with normal HER-2 expression
- Selection, duration and sequence of anti-HER agents
- Predictive markers beyond HER-2
- Combinations with other therapies—need for chemotherapy?
- Brain as a sanctuary site





#### Importance of Accurate Testing ASCO-CAP Guidelines

ER and PR testing
Up to 20% inaccuracy
Determine on all invasive and recurrent cancers
Positive if at least 1% positive tumor nuclei

### **HER-2 testing**

- •Up to 20% inaccuracy
- Determine on all invasive cancers
- Positive if 3+ IHC or positive FISH



Wolff et al, J Clin Oncol, 2007

Hammond et al, J Clin Oncol, 2010





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# Many Active Chemotherapy Agents

- Cyclophosphamide
- Doxorubicin
- Epirubicin
- Liposomal doxorubicin
- 5-fluorouracil
- Methotrexate
- Paclitaxel
- Albumin-bound paclitaxel
- Docetaxel

- Navelbine
- Vinblastine
- Eribulin
- Ixabepilone
- Mitoxantrone
- Capecitabine
- Gemcitabine
- Carboplatin
- And more coming...





#### NSABP B38—Last of the Large Adjuvant Chemotherapy Trials?

#### 4800 women—5 years—No difference!



#### Swain et al, J Clin Oncol, 2013





#### **Potential Approaches to Micrometastatic Disease**

Molecular Target	Antimetastatic Drugs
Osteoclasts	<ul> <li>Bisphosphonates, RANKLi</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Metastasis suppressor genes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Medroxprogesterone acetate (MPA)</li> </ul>
VEGF/angiogenesis	Bevacizumab
NFkB/inflammation	<ul> <li>NFkB inhibitors</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>T cells/immunity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Anti-T<sub>reg</sub> Rx, CTLA-4 blockade, anti-PD1</li> </ul>

Cancer stem cells

 Hedgehog, Wnt, Notch inhibitors

#### The Angiogenic Switch Is Necessary for Tumor Growth and Metastasis



Carmeliet and Jain. Nature. 2000;407:249; Bergers and Benjamin. Nat Rev Cancer. 2003;3:401.

#### Pivotal Trial of Chemotherapy +/- Bevacizumab for Advanced Breast Cancer



PFS

#### Survival

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Miller et al, N Engl J Med, 2007

# The Paradox of Bevacizumab

- Prolongs PFS but not overall survival in stage IV disease
- Improves pCR with neoadjuvant chemo
- Seeking evidence of efficacy in adjuvant setting (one negative trial in triple negative breast cancer so far)
- No identified tumor or host markers of response to date
- Clear activity in other types of cancer
- Value of other anti-angiogenesis inhibitors?



A focal point for dialogue about meaningful endpoints and cost

#### Rationale for Adjuvant Bisphosphonate Trials

- •Bone is a common site of breast cancer recurrence
- Bisphosphonate use with standard chemotherapy or endocrine therapy reduces skeletal morbidity in advanced breast cancer (ASCO Guidelines)
   Preclinical studies suggest potential

direct antitumor effects





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### **Challenges for the Development of Biologics**

- How to make trials faster, smaller, and less expensive
  - -Novel trial designs
  - -How to define success--endpoints
  - Refined regulatory environment—
     FDA's acceptance of pCR as endpoint for accelerated approval in breast cancer
  - Enrichment for the target population (if you really know the target!)

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