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Considerations in the Care of Patients with Localized HER2-Positive Breast Cancer Receiving Neoadjuvant Systemic Therapy

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Case Presentation: Dr Brufsky

A 36-year-old woman with no FHx of breast cancer who presented with a 4 cm palpable right breast mass. Ultrasound guided core biopsy was remarkable for IDC, ER 50% PR 0% HER2 3+ by IHC. There was no clinical evidence of distant metastases, and echo EF was 60%. Genetic testing (expanded panel) was negative.

She received TCHP x 6 cycles with clinical response of her cancer (1 cm of residual palpable mass). She had a bilateral mastectomy with 0.5 cm of residual IDC, ER 50% PR 0% HER2 3+ and 0/2 SLN positive.

Questions:

- 1. Would you give her adjuvant T-DM1?
- 2. Would you give her adjuvant neratinib?

Case Presentation: Dr Carey

- 85 yo otherwise healthy retired teacher from NC mountains ~ 2.5h away. Transportation issues.
- Clinical T3N1 IDC right breast; ER40%, PR20%, HER2+. Erythema without peau d'orange, > 2cm axillary LN.
- Nab-paclitaxel denied, Rx dose-reduced docetaxel + HP x 4 cycles complicated by diarrhea despite prophylaxis and management, at breast conserving surgery had ypT1aN0 disease. Planning H + Al out back without pertuzumab and without T-DM1.

Questions for other faculty: What is your algorithm regarding pertuzumab in neoadjuvant setting for pCR purposes, adjuvant setting for EFS purposes? How do you approach older patient with aggressive but curable HER2+ disease?





Questions To Consider

- Optimal chemotherapy backbone?
- Implications of pCR
- Implications of RD
- De-escalation and escalation opportunities





In pre-trastuzumab era, HER2+ breast cancers benefited particularly from anthracyclines.

Does this still matter in HER2-targeting era?

Anthracyclines have small but real risk of cardiotoxicity (and leukemia).

- *EF* ↓ *below normal during AC:* ~2%
- Long-term:
 - BCIRG006: 6% persistent EF decline, 2% CHF with ACTH
 - N9831: 3% CHF in H arms, most recovered
- Cardiac risk factors matter (age, antihypertensives, baseline EF, etc)

Slamon D, NEJM 2011; Perez E, JCO 2008; Perez E, JCO 2016

Main Options and Implications

- AC-TH(P) or TCH(P)
 - Pertuzumab RFS benefit > 2% in ER-negative or N+
- Only trial with both = BCIRG 006:



	AC-T (N=1073)	ACTH (N=1074)	TCH (N=1075)		
Total events	201 (19%)	146 (14%)	149 (14%)		
Distant mets	188 (18%)	124 (11.5%)	144 (13.4%)		
CHF	7 (0.7%)	21 (2.0%)	4 (0.4%)		
Acute leukemia	6 (0.6%)	1 (0.1%)*	1 (0.1%)		
	(*0.2% in B31/N9831)				



Slamon et al, NEJM 2011



Real World Data

• SEER/Medicare data (<u>>65yo</u>), 2005-2013, including propensity-matched group



ACTH used in higher risk, TCH used in more comorbid patients

H completion better in TCH (89% vs 77%) Hospitalization more in TCH (even with matching)

Did not include pertuzumab

APT for stage I, esp ER+ HER2+ If polychemo needed - Either AC-TH(P) or TCH(P) is reasonable

I tend to use TCH(P) except when concerned re HER2 status.

Reeder-Hayes, JCO 2017



- Off-trial should mimic adjuvant choices
- Excellent arena for testing new regimens and drugs De-escalating using pCR Escalating in RD





Leveraging Neoadjuvant Therapy 1: Surgical Endpoints

- Original indication = improved operability
- NSABP-B-18 (and others) confirmed no distant disease sacrifice
- Axillary management clearly improved
 - N+ changed to N- in 35-68%
 - ACOSOG Z1071: Post-NAC SN feasible and accurate (if careful - dual tracer, > 2 retrieved SN)





Lymphedema: 10-20% with axillary dissection



Fisher B, JCO 1997; Boughey JC JAMA 2014; Pilewskie & Morrow JAMA Oncol 2017

Leveraging Neoadjuvant Therapy 2: Risk Stratification



Pathologic complete response (pCR)

Residual disease (RD)

Strong consistent relationship between pCR and relapse/survival in multiple trials

Although... Some pCR relapse Many RD don't relapse

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Krop et al, AACR-SABCS 2017

Phase III Study of T-DM1 vs Trastuzumab as Adjuvant Therapy in Pts with HER2+ EBC with Residual Invasive Disease after NAC and HER2-Targeted Therapy Including Trastuzumab: Primary Results from **KATHERINE** (NSABP-B-50, GBG-77)

- cT1-4/N0-3/M0 at presentation (cT1a-b/N0 excluded)
- Centrally confirmed HER2-positive breast cancer
- Neoadjuvant therapy must have consisted of
 - Minimum of 6 cycles of chemotherapy
 - Minimum of 9 weeks of taxane
 - Anthracyclines and alkylating agents allowed
 - All chemotherapy prior to surgery
 - Minimum of 9 weeks of trastuzumab
 - Second HER2-targeted agent allowed
- Residual invasive tumor in breast or axillary nodes
- Randomization within 12 weeks of surgery

Stratification factors: clinical presentation, HR status, type of preoperative therapy and pathological nodal status after neoadjuvant therapy



Geyer CE Jr et al, SABCS 2018; Abstract GS1-10; von Minckwitz G et al, NEJM 2019; 380(7): 617-28.

KATHERINE: Escalating Rx in Residual Disease



iDFS analysis by subgroup						
			T-DM1	Trastuzumab		
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		0.48 (0.35-0.67)	90.7	80.7		
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		0.34 (0.19-0.62)	91.9	75.9		
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		0.40 (0.18-0.88)	79.8	61.1		
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- EFS ER-, LN+ still 82-83%
- Very few received pertuzumab



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OS did not cross the early reporting boundary (HR 0.70)

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KATHERINE: All Grade AEs ≥15% Incidence in Either Arm



Geyer CE Jr et al. SABCS 2018; Abstract GS1-10.

Other Escalation Options: Neratinib Year 1-2



2-3% △, 40% gr3+ diarrhea (better strategies now)
~4% △ in ER+

However:

- Few received pertuzumab
- Unclear role in tailored RD era







De-Escalation and Escalation: COMPASS Trials



HER2-Directed Strategies in Early Breast Cancer

Neoadjuvant





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