# Cases from the Community: Investigators Discuss Available Research Guiding the Care of Patients with Colorectal Cancer

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### Agenda

Module 1 – Integration of Therapies Targeting BRAF and HER2 in Metastatic Colorectal Cancer (mCRC) — Dr Strickler

Module 2 – Optimizing the Use of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in the Management of mCRC — Dr Ciombor

Module 3 – Evidence-Based Selection and Sequencing of Therapy for Patients with mCRC — Prof Van Cutsem

Module 4 – Promising Agents and Strategies for Patients with mCRC – Dr Bekaii-Saab

Module 5 – The Changing Management Paradigm for Localized CRC — Dr Kopetz





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## MODULE 1: Integration of Therapies Targeting BRAF and HER2 in Metastatic Colorectal Cancer (mCRC) — Dr Strickler



# Case Presentation: A 40-year-old man presenting with MSS rectal cancer and liver metastases



### Dr Victoria Giffi (Hagerstown, Maryland)



### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Victoria Giffi, MD

*"I'm very curious where we are research-wise with patients in the 20- to 40-year-old range getting colorectal cancer, because in the community we are seeing it much more and the American Cancer Society recommendation for having screening colonoscopies at 45 is not catching all of these patients."* 

- What is the magnitude of the increase in incidence of CRC in younger people? What are the screening implications?
- What is your typical choice of systemic therapy for patients with liver oligometastases, and do you use postoperative "adjuvant" treatment?
- If this man were to develop disease progression, what would your likely next systemic regimen be outside of a clinical trial?





Dr Ranju Gupta (Bethlehem, Pennsylvania)



Dr Shaachi Gupta (Lake Worth, Florida) A 79-year-old man with HER2-amplified colon cancer and extensive liver metastases

A 57-year-old man with KRAS G12S-mutant HER2amplified colon cancer and lung metastases



### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Ranju Gupta, MD

"We had the TAPUR trial from ASCO at our institute, so I gave him the trastuzumab and pertuzumab as part of the trial. He did extremely well and had a partial response.... He is now on trastuzumab deruxtecan. What other anti-HER2 treatments can be used? I know tucatinib was in trials in colon cancer."

- What are the diagnostic criteria for "HER2-positive" CRC?
- Which anti-HER2 regimens have been studied, and when should these be used?
- How would you screen this patient on trastuzumab deruxtecan for interstitial lung disease?
- What regimen would you consider on progression? (Tucatinib/trastuzumab?)



# Integration of Therapies Targeting BRAF and HER2 in Metastatic Colorectal Cancer (mCRC)

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# Actionable colorectal cancer targets in 2023

Actionable targets... simplified Actionable targets... reality





# ERBB2 (HER2) amplification concentrated in patients with RAS/BRAF WT metastatic CRC

### Unselected

Dataset	Patients (n)	ERBB2 amplified
GENIE Cohort v12.1 <sup>1</sup>	137,166	2.3%
Foundation Medicine <sup>2</sup>	5,127	3.0%
CARIS Life Sciences <sup>3</sup>	1,226	3.8%
TCGA <sup>4</sup>	615	3.1%

#### 1. Public AACR Project GeNIE cohort

- 2. J Clin Oncol 34, 2016 (suppl 4S; abstr 630)
- 3. J Clin Oncol 32, 2014 (suppl; abstr e22200)
- 4. cbioportal.org

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### **Biomarker enriched**

Dataset	Patient sub-group/ (n)	<i>ERBB2</i> amplified
HERACLES <sup>1</sup>	914 <u>KRAS exon 2 WT</u>	5.3%
MDACC <sup>2</sup>	98 sequential <u>KRAS/NRAS/BRAF</u> WT	12.2%
Duke University <sup>3</sup>	81 patients with <u>RAS</u> <u>WT</u> mCRC after anti- EGFR (ctDNA)	12.3%

1. Sartore-Bianchi et al., Lancet Oncol, 17(6) 738 - 746 .

2. Raghav et al., J Precision Oncol 2019 31-13.

3. Jia et al., J Clin Oncol 36, 2018 (suppl; abstr 3555)

## Long-term clinical outcome of HERACLES-A (trastuzumab + lapatinib) for HER2-positive mCRC



- 7 years of follow-up; 32 patients evaluable
- 28% ORR with 1 patient with 7-year CR
- Median PFS= 4.7 months
- Median OS= 10.0 months

CNS, central nervous system; CR, complete response; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease. Tosi F et al., Clin Colorectal Cancer 2020



## Studies of trastuzumab + pertuzumab for HER2+ mCRC

Trial	Ν	ORR (95% CI)	Median PFS Months (95% CI)	Median OS Months (95% CI)
MyPathway <sup>1,2</sup>	57 (all RAS) 68 (RAS WT)* 16 (RAS mut)*	32% (20-45) 31% (n/a) 6% (n/a)	2.9 (1.4-5.3)	11.5 (7.7-NE)
TRIUMPH <sup>3</sup>	27 tissue+ 25 ctDNA+	30% (14-50) 28% (12-49)	4.0 (1.4-5.6) 3.1 (1.4-5.6)	10.1 (4.5-16.5) 8.8 (4.3-12.9)
TAPUR <sup>4</sup> * Updated at ASCO 2021 Annual M	28 eeting	25% (11-45)	4.0 (2.6-6.4)	14.0 (7.5-23.9)

ctDNA, circulating tumor DNA; n/a, not available; NE, not evaluable; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; WT, wildtype. 1. Meric-Bernstam et al., <u>Lancet Oncol</u> 2019; 2. Meric-Bernstam et al., <u>J Clin Oncol</u> 39, 2021 (suppl 15; abstr 3004); 3. Nakamura et al., <u>Nature Medicine</u> 27, 2021; 4. Gupta et al., <u>JCO Precision Oncology</u> 2022.



# DESTINY-CRC01: Trastuzumab deruxtecan for HER2+ mCRC - Efficacy outcomes

Cohort A, N=53 (response assessed by BICR)

Confirmed ORR, % (95% CI)	45.3% (31.6-59.6)
mDOR, months (95% CI) <sup>2</sup>	7.0 months (5.8-9.5)
Disease control rate, % (95% CI)	83.0% (70.2-91.9)
PFS, months (95% CI) <sup>2</sup>	6.9 months (4.1-8.7)
OS, months (95% CI) <sup>2</sup>	15.5 months (8.8-20.8)

Data cutoff (Dec 28, 2020)

BICR, blinded independent central review; CI, confidence interval; HER2+, HER2 gene amplification; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; NE, not evaluable; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival. Yoshino T et al. Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2022; Abstract 119.



### DESTINY-CRC01: Trastuzumab deruxtecan for HER2+ mCRC - Most common TEAEs (≥10%) (All cohorts, N=78)

	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Nausea	42 (54%)	5 (6%)	0	0
Decreased appetite	26 (33%)	0	0	0
Fatigue	25 (32%)	1 (1%)	0	0
Vomiting	22 (28%)	1 (1%)	0	0
Diarrhoea	21 (27%)	1 (1%)	0	0
Anaemia	18 (23%)	10 (13%)	1 (1%)	0
Platelet count decreased	16 (21%)	5 (6%)	2 (3%)	0
Alopecia	15 (19%)	0	0	0
Constipation	11 (14%)	0	0	0
Asthenia	10 (13%)	0	0	0
Neutrophil count decreased	9 (12%)	12 (15%)	5 (6%)	0
Cough	9 (12%)	0	0	0
Oedema peripheral	9 /12%)	0	0	0
Pyrexia	9 (12%)	0	0	0
Hypokalaemia	8 (10%)	4 (5%)	1 (1%)	0

- Five (6%) of 78 patients had interstitial lung disease or pneumonitis
  - Grade 2 = 2 patients
  - Grade 3 = 1 patient
  - Grade 5 = 2 patients
- Median time to onset date of interstitial lung disease or pneumonitis was 77 days
- 2 recovered, 1 did not recover and died of disease progression, and 2 died due to the AE

AE, adverse event; HER2+, HER2 gene amplification; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event. Siena et al., Lancet Oncol 2021.



# DESTINY-CRC01: Trastuzumab deruxtecan for HER2+ mCRC - Subgroup analyses

Cohort A, N=53 (response assessed by BICR)

	Ν	ORR (%)	95% CI
Cohort A overall	53	45.3	31.6-59.6
HER2 status IHC3+ IHC2+ and ISH-positive	40 13	57.5 7.7	40.9-73.0 0.2-36.0
Previous HER2 treatment Yes No	16 37	43.8 45.9	19.8-70.1 29.5-63.1

BICR, blinded independent central review; CI, confidence interval; HER2+, HER2 gene amplification; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; NE, not evaluable; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival. Yoshino T et al. Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2022; Abstract 119.



### **DESTINY-CRC01: Adverse Events of Special Interest – ILD/Pneumonitis**

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Any Grade/Total
n (%)	0	4 (4.7)	1 (1.2)	0	3 (3.5)ª	8 (9.3) <sup>b,c</sup>

### Adjudicated drug-related ILD/pneumonitis:

- Median time to adjudicated onset was 61.0 days (range, 9-165)
- 8 of 8 patients received corticosteroids
- 4 patients with grade 2 recovered and 1 patient with grade 3 did not recover (later died due to disease progression)
- Median time from adjudicated onset date to initiation of steroid treatment in the 8 ILD/pneumonitis cases was 3.5 days (range, 0-50)

### Grade 5 ILD/pneumonitis:

 In the 3 fatal cases adjudicated as drug-related ILD/pneumonitis, onset was from 9 to 120 days (median, 22); death occurred 6 to 19 days after diagnosis (median, 6)



Yoshino T et al. Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2022; Abstract 119.

## MOUNTAINEER: Global, Open-Label, Phase 2 Trial



MOUNTAINEER began as a US investigator-sponsored trial and initially consisted of a single cohort (Cohort A) and was expanded globally to include patients randomised to receive tucatinib + trastuzumab (Cohort B) or tucatinib monotherapy (Cohort C)

Data cut-off for current analysis, March 28, 2022

a Each treatment cycle is 21 days; b Patients remained on therapy until evidence of radiographic or clinical progression, unacceptable toxicity, withdrawal of consent, or study closure; c Stratification: Left sided tumor primary vs other; d Patients were allowed to cross over and receive tucatinib and trastuzumab if they experienced radiographic progression at any time point or if they had not achieved a PR or CR by week 12; e Patients had HER2+ tumors as defined by one or more protocol required local tests: IHC 3+ (n=46), amplification by ISH (n=36), or amplification by NGS (n=69)

2L+, second line and later; BICR, blinded independent central review; BID, twice a day; C1D1, cycle 1 day 1; CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response; HER2, human epidermal growth receptor 2; IHC, immunohistochemistry; ISH, in situ hybridization; mAb, monoclonal antibody; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; NGS, next-generation sequencing; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PO, orally; Q3W, every 3 weeks; PR, partial response; R, randomisation; RAS, rat sarcoma virus; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; US, United States; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.

https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03043313

## Tucatinib + Trastuzumab: Efficacy Outcomes

	Tucatinib + Trastuzumab	
	Cohorts A+B	
Responses	n=84	
Best overall response per BICR <sup>a</sup> , n (%)		
CR	3 (3.6)	
PR	29 (34.5)	
SD <sup>b</sup>	28 (33.3)	
PD	22 (26.2)	
Not available <sup>c</sup>	2 (2.4)	
cORR per BICR, % (95% CI) <sup>d</sup>	38.1 (27.7, 49.3)	
cORR per Investigator, % (95% CI) <sup>d</sup>	42.9 (32.1, 54.1)	
Median time to objective response per BICR <sup>e</sup> , months (range)	2.1 (1.2, 9.8)	
DCR <sup>f</sup> per BICR, n (%)	60 (71.4)	
Median DOR per BICR, months (95% CI)	12.4 (8.5, 20.5)	

a Confirmed best overall response assessed per RECIST 1.1; b Includes SD and non-CR/non-PD; c Includes patients with no post-baseline response assessment and patients whose disease assessments are not evaluable; d Two-sided 95% exact confidence interval, computed using the Clopper-Pearson method (1934); e Time from the start of study treatment (Cohort A) or date of randomisation (Cohort B) to the first documentation of objective response (CR or PR that is subsequently confirmed); f Defined as sum of CR, PR, and SD

BICR, blinded independent central review; cORR, confirmed objective response rate; CR, complete response; DCR, disease control rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; SD, stable disease.

Data cutoff: 28 Mar 2022

## Tucatinib + Trastuzumab: Change in Tumor Size



a Four patients who did not have baseline and/or post-baseline target lesion measurements are excluded

 $\mathsf{CR}, \, \mathsf{complete} \, \mathsf{response}; \, \mathsf{PD}, \, \mathsf{progressive} \, \mathsf{disease}; \, \mathsf{PR}, \, \mathsf{partial} \, \mathsf{response}; \, \mathsf{SD}, \, \mathsf{stable} \, \mathsf{disease}.$ 

Data cutoff: 28 Mar 2022

### Tucatinib + Trastuzumab: PFS and OS

Progression-free Survival per BICR

**Overall Survival** 



## Most Common TEAEs (≥10%) for Tucatinib + Trastuzumab



- Most common tucatinib-related AEs (≥10%): diarrhoea (52.3%), fatigue (29.1%), nausea (18.6%), and dermatitis acneiform (17.4%)
  - Grade ≥3 tucatinib-related AEs (≥2%): alanine aminotransferase increase (2.3%) and diarrhoea (2.3%)

AE, adverse event; IRR, infusion-related reaction; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

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# HER2 in metastatic CRC: Final thoughts

- HER2 amplification/overexpression is an actionable target in refractory HER2+ mCRC
- Anti-HER2 therapies demonstrate greatest efficacy in biomarker selected HER2+ mCRC patient populations:
  - IHC 3+
  - High gene copy number
  - KRAS, NRAS, PIK3CA, and BRAF wildtype
- Several anti-HER2 therapies have demonstrated efficacy:
  - Trastuzumab + tucatinib has high ORR and DoR with favorable tolerability
  - Trastuzumab deruxtecan has high ORR and retains activity after progression on prior anti-HER2 therapies
- Key considerations: clinical/genomic characteristics, efficacy, and safety profile



# BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> mutations in metastatic CRC



- ~7% of CRC
- Right sided
- High grade
- ~30% MSI-H
- Poor prognosis
- Limited benefit from anti-EGFR therapy



# Co-targeting EGFR overcomes resistance to BRAF +/- MEK inhibitors



Combination therapies	Patients (N)	ORR (%)	Median PFS (mos)
BRAFi + MEKi			
Dabrafenib + Trametinib	43	12	3.5
BRAFi + anti-EGFR			
Vemurafenib + Cetuximab	27	4	3.7
Vemurafenib + Panitumumab	15	13	3.2
Dabrafenib + Panitumumab	20	10	3.5
Encorafenib + Cetuximab	50	22	4.2
Encorafenib + Cetuximab	220	20	4.2
BRAFi + MEKi + anti-EGFR			
Dabrafenib + Trametinib + PMab	91	21	4.2
Encorafenib + Binimetinib + Cetux	224	26	4.3

Adapted from Taieb J, et al, Br J Cancer. 2019;121:434-442

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# **BEACON CRC Phase 3 Study Design**

Patients with BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> mCRC with disease progression after 1 or 2 prior regimens; ECOG PS of 0 or 1; and no prior treatment with any RAF inhibitor, MEK inhibitor, or EGFR inhibitor

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Randomization was stratified by ECOG PS (0 vs. 1), prior use of irinotecan (yes vs. no), and cetuximab source (US-licensed vs. EU-approved)

Secondary Endpoints: Doublet vs Control and Triplet vs Doublet - OS & ORR, PFS, Safety

**<u>QOL Assessments</u>:** EORTC QOL Questionnaire (QLQ C30), Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy Colon Cancer, EuroQol 5D5L, and Patient Global Impression of Change).

Van Cutsem. JCO. 2019. Taberno. ESMO 2019. LBA32. Kopetz. NEJM. 2019; [Epub]. NCT02928224

## BEACON: Overall Survival (updated) ENCO/BINI/CETUX vs ENCO/CETUX vs Control

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Tabernero J, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021; 39:273-284.

# **BEACON: Objective Response Rates (updated)**

Confirmed Response by BICR	ENCO/BINI/CETUX N=224	ENCO/CETUX N=220	Control N=221
Objective Response Rate <sup>a</sup>	27%	20%	2%
95% (CI)	(21, 33)	(15, 25)	(<1, 5)
Best Overall Response <sup>b</sup>			
Complete Response (CR)	4%	3%	0%
Partial Response (PR)	23%	16%	2%
Stable Disease <sup>c</sup>	48%	56%	29%
Progressive Disease	11%	10%	34%
Non Evaluable by RECIST <sup>d</sup>	14%	15%	32%

BICR=blinded independent central review.

a. Confirmed responses per RECIST 1.1; Objective Response Rate equals the percentage of patients with a complete response or a partial response.

b. Best overall response percentage may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

c. Stable disease includes measurable disease patients who were either stable disease or non-measurable disease patients who were non-complete response/non-progressive disease per RECIST 1. Patients with only nonmeasurable disease, whose best non-target lesion response was Non-CR/non-PD and did not have any new lesions.

d. This category refers to patients who discontinued the trial regimen because of adverse events or whose disease could not be assessed centrally but who had clinical or radiologic disease progression according to local assessment.



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Kopetz et al., J Clin Oncol 38: 2020 (suppl; abstr 4039)

# **Overall Summary of Safety**

#### **Relative dose intensity**

- ENCO/BINI/CETUX arm:
- ENCO/CETUX arm:
- Control arm:

Encorafenib 91%, Binimetinib 87%, Cetuximab 91% Encorafenib 98%, Cetuximab 93% 74-85%

Event	ENCO/BINI/CETUX N=222 Median Duration of Exposure: 21 weeks*	ENCO/CETUX N=216 Median Duration of Exposure: 19 weeks*	Control N=193 Median Duration of Exposure: 7 weeks*
Any event	98%	98%	97%
Grade 3/4 adverse event (AE)	58%	50%	61%
Any serious AE	42%	33%	37%
Any event leading to discontinuation of any one drug	15%	12%	17%
Any event leading to discontinuation of all drugs	7%	8%	11%

\*Median duration of exposure calculated using Kaplan-Meier method.

Kopetz et al. N Engl J Med. 2019; 381:1632-1643. Tabernero J, et al. Ann Oncol. 2019; 30 (suppl\_5): v851-v934 (Abstract: LBA32).



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# ANCHOR CRC trial: Phase 2 trial for adults with previously untreated mCRC with a *BRAF V600E* mutation



• Investigator assessed cORR was 47.8% (95% confidence interval [CI], 37.3-58.5) and DCR was 88%

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Van Cutsem E, et al., ESMO GI 2021, Abstract O-10; Annals of Oncology volume 32 sup 3, S222.

# BREAKWATER trial: Phase 3 trial for 1<sup>st</sup> line treatment of adults with mCRC with a *BRAF V600E* mutation



Primary endpoint: PFS (arm A versus control; arm B versus control)

Based on data from safety lead-in, BREAKWATER phase 3 will compare encorafenib + cetuximab  $\pm$  mFOLFOX6

to mFOLFOX6/FOLFOXIRI/CAPOX  $\pm$  bevacizumab<sup>2</sup>

1. Kopetz S, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021;39(15\_supp) Abstract TPS3619; 2. Kopetz S, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2022;40(4\_suppl)134-134.

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# BREAKWATER Safety Lead-In: Safety Summary

#### Primary endpoint: Frequency of DLTs

 One patient in the EC + FOLFIRI cohort had a DLT of grade 4 neutropenia lasting >7 days; no other DLTs were reported

#### Secondary endpoint: Safety

	EC + mF	OLFOX6	EC + F	OLFIRI
	n=27		n=30	
All causality, n (%)				
TEAEs	27 (10	0.0)	30 (100.0)	
SAEs	13 (4	8.1)	10 (33.3)	
Grade ≥3 TEAEs	21 (7	7.8)	13 (4	3.3)
TEAEs leading to dose reduction (any drug)	18 (6	6.7)	10 (3	3.3)
TEAEs leading to permanent discontinuation (any drug)	5 (18	8.5)	5 (10	6.7)
Treatment-related, n (%)				
TEAEs related to any drug	27 (10	0.0)	27 (9	0.0)
SAEs related to any drug	7 (25	5.9)	4 (13	3.3)
Deaths related to TEAEs	0		0	
	Any grade	Grade ≥3	Any grade	Grade ≥3
Most frequent (≥30%) all causality TEAEsª	27 (100.0)	21 (77.8)	30 (100.0)	13 (43.3)
Nausea	20 (74.1)	0	13 (43.3)	0
Pyrexia	13 (48.1)	1 (3.7)	7 (23.3)	0
Vomiting	11 (40.7)	1 (3.7)	4 (13.3)	0
Diarrhea	10 (37.0)	2 (7.4)	13 (43.3)	1 (3.3)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	9 (33.3)	1 (3.7)	2 (6.7)	0
Fatigue	8 (29.6)	0	13 (43.3)	1 (3.3)
Constipation	7 (25.9)	0	13 (43.3)	1 (3.3)
Dermatitis acneiform	7 (25.9)	0	12 (40.0)	1 (3.3)

#### Data cutoff: 16 May 2022

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<sup>a</sup>All grade in  $\geq$ 30% of participants in either the EC + mFOFLOX6 arm or the EC + FOLFIRI arm.

AE, adverse event; DLT, dose-limiting toxicity; EC, encorafenib + cetuximab; SAE, serious adverse event; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

#### Tabernero et al., presented at ESMO 2022

## BREAKWATER Safety Lead-In: Overview of response

			1L		2L
		EC + mFOLFOX6	EC + FOLFIRI	EC + mFOLFOX6	EC + FOLFIRI
Confirmed best overall response by in	nvestigator, n (%)	n=19	n=12	n=8	n=18
ORR, % (95% Cl)		68.4 (46.0-84.6)	66.7 (39.1–86.2)	50.0 (21.5–78.5)	61.1 (38.6–79.7)
CR		0	1 (8.3)	0	0
PR		13 (68.4)	7 (58.3)	4 (50.0)	11 (61.1)
SD		3 (15.8)	3 (25.0)	4 (50.0)	6 (33.3)
PD		1 (5.3)	0	0	0
Non-CR/non-PD		1 (5.3)	1 (8.3)	0	0
Not evaluable <sup>a</sup>		1 (5.3)	0	0	1 (5.6)
Responders		n=13	n=8	n=4	n=11
mTTR, weeks (range)		6.9 (5.9–25.9)	6.6 (6.1–7.0)	9.4 (6.4–18.9)	12.9 (6.1–37.0)
mDOR months (95% CI)		7.6	Not estimable	Not estimable	Not estimable
		(4.1–not estimable)	(10.6–not estimable)	(2.7–not estimable)	(3.4–not estimable)
≥6 months, n (%)		6 (46.2)	7 (87.5)	2 (50.0)	6 (54.5)
EC + mFOLFOX6	1L EC	+ FOLFIRI n=11 <sup>b</sup>	EC + mFOLFOX6	2L	EC + FOLFIRI n=17 <sup>b</sup>
(%) 25	25	2	25	25 -	
	0		0	0	
-25 -	-25 -		25 -	-25	
22 -50 - 2850 -	-50 -	-5	50_	-50 -	
-75 PD (n=1) SD (n=3) PP (n=13)	-75 - SD (n=3)	-7	75 SD (n=4)	-75	
5 -100 ■ Not evaluable <sup>®</sup> (n=1)	-100 CR° (n=1)	-10	0 PR (n=4)	-100 PR (n=11)	
Participants		Participants	Participants		Participants

#### Data cutoff: 16 May 2022

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<sup>a</sup>Reasons included SD <6 weeks after treatment start date (1 patient in the EC + mFOLFOX6 arm in the 1L setting) and early death (1 patient in the EC + FOLFIRI arm in the 2L setting). <sup>b</sup>Only includes participants with target lesions at baseline and  $\geq$ 1 non-missing post-baseline % change from baseline assessment up to time of PD or new anti-cancer therapy. <sup>c</sup>This participant had a nodal target lesion that did not completely disappear but became non-pathological by size (<10 mm).

CR, complete response; EC, encorafenib + cetuximab; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease.

#### Tabernero et al., presented at ESMO 2022

# BREAKWATER Safety Lead-In: PFS

#### (investigator assessed)



NE, not estimable.

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## BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> mutated metastatic CRC- Final thoughts

- BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> mutations are associated with poor prognosis
- Optimal treatment for BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> metastatic CRC: anti-BRAF + anti-EGFR
  - Addition of MEK inhibitor does not improve PFS, survival, or tolerability
- Current treatment approach for *BRAF*<sup>V600E</sup> mutated mCRC:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> line: Chemotherapy + anti-VEGF
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> line: Encorafenib + anti-EGFR (cetuximab or panitumumab)
- Promising activity was seen in patients receiving encorafenib + cetux + mFOLFOX6/FOLFIRI as 1L/2L therapy
- BREAKWATER is a phase 3 trial exploring 1<sup>st</sup> line chemotherapy with encorafenib + cetuximab



## **MODULE 2: Optimizing the Use of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in the Management of mCRC — Dr Ciombor**



Case Presentation: A 54-year-old man with BRAF V600Emutant, KRAS/NRAS WT metastatic colon cancer with disease progression on FOLFOXIRI/bevacizumab



Dr Amber Xu (Rolling Meadows, Illinois)



### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Lai (Amber) Xu, MD, PhD

"How would the expert panel decide on first-line treatment for this man with BRAF V600E-mutant disease? What factors will influence their decision-making? Is there any utility of combining targeted therapy with chemotherapy? How does the panel decide between regorafenib and TAS-102 in this specific case? I would also love to hear how they dose regorafenib."

• In which situations, if any, should bevacizumab be added to TAS-102, including for a patient like this who received prior first-line bevacizumab?



# **Case Presentation: A 67-year-old man with localized unresectable MSI-high carcinoma of the cecum**



#### Dr Farshid Dayyani (Orange, California)



### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Farshid Dayyani, MD, PhD

*"How would you treat this patient with locally unresectable MSI-high colon cancer?* 

- Do you give up-front FOLFOX, old school, or do you try to take into account that the patient is MMR-deficient?
- Do you include a checkpoint inhibitor? Would you combine it with FOLFOX for at least 2 to 3 months to further shrink the tumor prior to possible resection?
- Would you likely use ctDNA in managing this case?"





# Optimizing the Use of Checkpoint Inhibitors in the Management of mCRC

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## Immunotherapy in MSI-H mCRC

Clinical Trials	Prior Systemic Treatment	n	CR (%)	PR (%)	SD (%)	PD (%)	NE (%)	1-Year PFS Rate (%)	1-Year OS Rate (%)	2-Year PFS Rate (%)	2-Year OS Rate (%)	Median Follow-Up (Months)
Keynote-016 [11]												
Pembrolizumab	$\geq 1$	28	11	46	32	4	7	-	-	-	-	8.7
Keynote-164 [12-14]												
Pembrolizumab, cohort A	$\geq 2$	61	3	30	18	46	3	34	72	31	55	31
Pembrolizumab, cohort B	$\geq 1$	63	8	25	24	40	3	41	76	37	63	24
CheckMate-142 [15–18]												
Nivolumab	$\geq 1$	74	9	24	31	31	5	44	-	-	-	21
Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	$\geq 1$	119	6	52	28	12	3	71	85	60	74	25.4
Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	0	45	13	56	16	13	2	77	83	74	79	29.0
NIPICOL [19]												
Nivolumab + Ipilimumab	$\geq 2$	57	19	40	30	5	3	73	84	-	-	18.1
CD-ON-MEDI4736-1108 [20]												
Durvalumab	$\geq 1$	36	2	2	-	-	-	38			54	29
NCT02227667 [20]												
Durvalumab	$\geq 1$	11	2	7	-	-	-	36				30
GARNET [21]												
Dostarlimab	$\geq 1$	69	3	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table 1. Immune checkpoint inhibitors in MSI/dMMR metastatic colorectal cancer.



Cohen R, et al. Cancers (Basel). 2021;13(5):1149

#### KEYNOTE-177 Study Design (NCT02563002)



Dual-Primary endpoints: PFS per RECIST v1.1, BICR; OS
Secondary endpoints: ORR per RECIST v1.1 by BICR, PFS2, HRQoL, safety
Tumor response assessed at week 9 and Q9W thereafter per RECIST v1.1 by BICR

<sup>a</sup>Chosen before randomization; <sup>b</sup>Bevacizumab 5 mg/kg IV; <sup>c</sup>Cetuximab 400 mg/m2 over 2 hours then 250 mg/mg<sup>2</sup> IV over 1 hour weekly.

BICR, blinded independent central review; IHC: immunohistochemistry with hMLH1, hMSH2, hMSH6, PMS2; PCR: polymerase chain reaction; PFS, progression-free survival; OS: overall survival; ORR: overall response rate; Q9W: every 9 weeks.

Andre T, ASCO 2021

## **KEYNOTE-177**

### **Progression-Free Survival**



Andre T, ASCO 2021; Diaz LA Jr et al. Lancet Oncol 2022 April 12;23:659-70.

## **KEYNOTE-177**

### **Antitumor Response**

	Pembrolizumab N = 153	Chemotherapy N = 154
ORR, n (%)	69 (45.1)ª	51 (33.1)
Best Overall Response, n (%)		
Complete response	20 (13.1) <sup>b</sup>	6 (3.9)
Partial response	49 (32.0) <sup>c</sup>	45 (29.2)
Stable disease	30 (19.6)	65 (42.2)
Disease control rate (CR+PR+SD)	99 (64.7)	116 (75.3)
Progressive disease	45 (29.4)	19 (12.3)
Not evaluable	3 (2.0)	2 (1.3)
No assessment	6 (3.9)	17 (11.0)
Median duration or response (range), mo	NR (2.3+ to 53.5+)	10.6 (2.8 to 48.3+)
≥ 24 months response duration, %	83.5	33.6

<sup>a</sup>ORR 43.8%; <sup>b</sup>CR rate 11.1%; <sup>c</sup>PR rate 32.7% at IA2 (data cut-off 19Feb2020). Data cut-off: 19Feb2021.

Diaz LA Jr et al. Lancet Oncol 2022 April 12;23:659-70. Andre T, ASCO 2021

## **KEYNOTE-177**

#### **Overall Survival**



<sup>a</sup>Pembrolizumab was not superior to chemotherapy for OS as one-sided α > 0.0246. Pre-specified sensitivity analyses to adjust for crossover effect by rank-preserving structure failure time model and inverse probability of censoring weighting showed OS HRs of 0.66 (95% Cl 0.42-1.04) and 0.77 (95% Cl 0.44-1.38). Data cut-off: 19Feb2021.

At final analysis, OS with pembrolizumab versus chemotherapy did not meet the one-sided α boundary of 0.025 required for superiority.

Diaz LA Jr et al. Lancet Oncol 2022 April 12;23:659-70.

Andre T, ASCO 2021

#### CheckMate 142<sup>a</sup> cohorts 1-3 study design

• CheckMate 142 is an ongoing, multicohort, non-randomized phase 2 study evaluating the efficacy and safety of NIVO-based therapies in patients with mCRC



At data cutoff (September 22, 2021), the median (range) follow-up (time from first dose to data cutoff) was 70.0 (66.2-88.7), 64.0 (60.0-75.8), and 52.4 (47.6-57.1) months for cohorts 1, 2, and 3, respectively

<sup>a</sup>ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT02060188; <sup>b</sup>Until disease progression, discontinuation due to toxicity, withdrawal of consent, or maximum clinical benefit per investigator. Treatment beyond initial evidence of PD was permitted if the patient tolerated the study drug and benefited from study treatment per investigator assessment; <sup>c</sup>Patients with CR + PR divided by the number of treated patients; <sup>d</sup>Patients with CR, PR, or SD for ≥ 12 weeks divided by the number of treated patients. BICR, blinded independent central review; CR, complete response; DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; IPI1, ipilimumab 1 mg/kg; NIVO3, nivolumab 3 mg/kg; ORR, objective response rate; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival; PR, partial response; Q2W, every 2 weeks; Q3W, every 3 weeks; Q6W, every 6 weeks; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; SD, stable disease.

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#### **Progression-free survival**



- Median PFS was 13.8 months in cohort 1 and not reached in cohorts 2 and 3
  - 48-month PFS rates were 36% (cohort 1), 54% (cohort 2), and 51% (cohort 3)
  - 60-month PFS rates were 34% (cohort 1), 52% (cohort 2), and not available for cohort 3

<sup>a</sup>Per investigator; <sup>b</sup>Study cohorts were neither randomized nor designed for a formal comparison; <sup>c</sup>Minimum follow-up for cohort 3 was 47.6 months. mo, months.

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#### **Overall survival**



- Median OS was 44.2 months in cohort 1 and not reached in cohorts 2 and 3
  - 48-month OS rates were 49% (cohort 1), 71% (cohort 2), and 72% (cohort 3)
  - 60-month OS rates were 46% (cohort 1), 68% (cohort 2), and not available for cohort 3

<sup>a</sup>Study cohorts were neither randomized nor designed for a formal comparison; <sup>b</sup>Minimum follow-up for cohort 3 was 47.6 months.

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## Resistance Mechanisms to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapy in MSS mCRC

- Low immunogenicity for CD8<sup>+</sup> T cell recognition (low tumor mutational burden)
- Defects in antigen presentation machinery
- Overexpression of intrinsic immunosuppressive oncogenic pathways
- Immunosuppressive effects of the tumor microenvironment



## Immune Resistance and Immunotherapy Combinations



Pardoll D, et al. Nat Rev 2012; 12: 252-264

## **Regorafenib/Nivolumab in MSS mCRC**

## Study Design (NCT04126733)

#### Eligibility criteria (N=70)

#### Age ≥18 years

- ≤2 prior lines (for extended RAS mutant) or ≤3 prior lines (for extended RAS WT)
- Prior therapy lines must include: fluoropyrimidines, irinotecan, oxaliplatin, anti-VEGF, and, if extended RAS WT, anti-EGFR

• ECOG PS 0 or 1

• Known extended RAS and BRAF status

 Only participants with pMMR/MSS mCRC are eligible

Regorafenib	End of treatment
Starting dose:	Active follow-up/
80 mg po QD	long-term follow-u
3 weeks on/1 week off	
> Cvcle 2:	Primary endpoint:
up to 120 mg po QD 3 weeks on/1 week off*	ORR (investigator asses

480 mg IV Q4W

#### Main secondary endpoints:

ow-up

assessed)

• DoR

• DCR

• PFS

• OS

- · Safety (graded according to NCI-CTCAE v5.0) **Exploratory endpoints:**
- PK/biomarker analyses

Response, n (%)	Without liver metastases (n=23)	With liver metastases (n=47)	All patients (N=70)
Complete response	0	0	0
Partial response	5 (22)	0	5 (7)
Stable disease	8 (35)	14 (30)	22 (31)
Progressive disease	9 (39)	27 (57)	36 (51)
Progressive disease Not evaluable	9 (39) 1 (4)	27 (57) 6 (13)	36 (51) 7 (10)
Progressive disease Not evaluable Objective response rate	9 (39) 1 (4) 5 (22)	27 (57) 6 (13) 0	36 (51) 7 (10) 5 (7)
Progressive disease         Not evaluable         Objective response rate         Disease control rate ≥8 weeks	9 (39) 1 (4) 5 (22) 13 (57)	27 (57) 6 (13) 0 14 (30)	36 (51) 7 (10) 5 (7) 27 (39)



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# Phase I/II study of regorafenib and pembrolizumab in refractory microsatellite stable colorectal cancer

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### **Conclusions**

- In this large multi-center study, <u>combination of regorafenib and</u> <u>pembrolizumab in advanced MSS CRC failed to improve PFS.</u>
- · Safety signal is consistent with previously reported data.
- Post-hoc analysis revealed that patients with <u>no liver metastasis</u> and those with <u>prior radiotherapy</u> achieved a significantly longer PFS.
  - In multivariate analysis, prior radiotherapy remained a significant predictor of PFS.
  - Additional analysis as well as biomarker discovery for patient subgroups is ongoing.



## Pembrolizumab/Lenvatinib in MSS mCRC

### LEAP-005 (NCT03797326)



Primary endpoints: ORR (RECIST v1.1 or RANO, BICR)<sup>f</sup>, safety/tolerability Key secondary endpoints: DCR, DOR, PFS (RECIST v1.1 or RANO, BICR)<sup>f</sup>

Response assessed Q9W<sup>g</sup> until week 54; then Q12W until week 102; then Q24W thereafter

#### Antitumor Activity: GI Cancers (Confirmed Objective Responses, RECIST v1.1 by BICR)



<sup>a</sup>Defined as best overall response of complete or partial response, or stable disease. <sup>b</sup>Patient had post-baseline imaging and the best overall response was determined to be nonevaluable per RECIST v1.1. <sup>c</sup>Patient had no post-baseline imaging. Data cutoff date: April 10, 2020.

3L CRC: mPFS 7.2 mos (2.0-5.2); 6-month PFS rate: 30.5%



Tissue for PD-L1 assessment<sup>b</sup>

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# LEAP-005: Tumor Activity with Lenvatinib and Pembrolizumab in the Colorectal (non-MSI-H/pMMR) Cohort

Outcome	Lenvatinib + pembrolizumab (N = 32)
ORR	22%
Disease control rate	47%
Median duration of response	Not reached
Median PFS	2.3 mo
Median OS	7.5 mo



Gomez-Roca C et al. Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium 2021; Abstract 94.

## Pembrolizumab/Lenvatinib in MSS mCRC

• LEAP-017 (NCT04776148) is a global, randomized, open-label, phase 3 trial

#### Figure 1. LEAP-017 Study Design





## **COSMIC-021 mCRC Cohort 16**

#### Figure 1. Study Design, Key Eligibility Criteria, and Endpoints

#### Metastatic colorectal adenocarcinoma

- Radiographically progressed on or after systemic chemotherapy containing fluoropyrimidine in combination with oxaliplatin or irinotecan for metastatic disease
  - ≤2 lines of prior systemic anticancer therapy for inoperable locally advanced, recurrent, or metastatic disease
  - Allowed prior EGFR-targeted therapy
- Known microsatellite instability-high and/or mismatch repair deficient disease are excluded

Primary endpoint: Secondary endpoint: Exploratory endpoints: ORR per RECIST v1.1 by investigator Safety DOR and PFS per RECIST v1.1, OS, and biomarker analyses and correlations with outcomes



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Cabozantinib 40 mg QD PO + Atezolizumab 1200 mg Q3W IV (N=30) Tumor assessment

per RECIST v1.19

by investigator

O6W for the first

year and Q12W

Treatment until loss of clinical

thereafter

benefit or

toxicity

unacceptable
## **COSMIC-021 mCRC Cohort 16**

Table 3: Disposition, Exposure, and Safety Summary	
	Colorectal cancer cohort (N=31)
Patients on study treatment at data cut-off, n (%)	1 (3)
Duration of exposure, median (range), months	3.0 (0.4 – 30.0)
AEs leading to cabozantinib dose reductions, n (%)	14 (45)
AEs leading to cabozantinib dose hold, n (%)	21 (68)
AEs leading to atezolizumab dose delay, n (%)	12 (39)
Discontinuation due to TRAEs, n (%)	
Cabozantinib	2 (6)
Atezolizumab	2 (6)
Any	2 (6)
Both	2 (6)

Table 4: Treatment-Related Adverse Events (1	rraes) Occurring in	n ≥10%	
	Colorectal canc	Colorectal cancer cohort (N=31)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4*	
Any TRAE, n (%)	28 (90)	16 (52)	
Diarrhea	16 (52)	1 (3)	
Fatigue	13 (42)	2 (6)	
Nausea	11 (35)	0	
Hypertension	6 (19)	3 (10)	
Stomatitis	6 (19)	1 (3)	
Vomiting	6 (19)	0	
ALT increased	5 (16)	0	
Amylase increased	5 (16)	1 (3)	
Decreased appetite	5 (16)	0	
Hypothyroidism	5 (16)	0	
Lipase increased	5 (16)	2 (6)	
Thrombocytopenia	5 (16)	1 (3)	
Dehydration	4 (13)	1 (3)	
White blood cell count decreased	4 (13)	0	

No grade 5 TRAEs were reported. \*Only one grade 4 event (blood creatine phosphokinase increased) was reported.

#### Table 5: Adverse Events of Special Interest (AESI)\*

	Colorectal cancer cohort (N=31)	
	Any Grade	Grade 3/4
Any AESI, n (%)	23 (74)	5 (16)
Hepatitis (diagnosis and lab abnormalities)	12 (39)	1 (3)
Pancreatitis <sup>+</sup>	8 (26)	3 (10)
Rash	7 (23)	0
Hypothyroidism	6 (19)	0
Colitis	2 (6)	0
Severe cutaneous reactions	1 (3)	0
Rhabdomyolysis	1 (3)	1 (3)

\*AESI are potential immune-related AEs for atezolizumab provided by the sponsor and summarized as grouped MedDRA terms irrespective of causality.

<sup>†</sup>Immune-mediated pancreatitis includes laboratory findings of elevations of lipase/amylase.



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# **COSMIC-021 mCRC Cohort 16**

Table 2: Tumor Response per RECIST v1.1 by Investigator			
	All patients (N=31)	Wild-type RAS (n=12)	RAS mutant (n=19)
Best overall response, n (%)			
Confirmed complete response	0	0	0
Confirmed partial response	3 (10)	3 (25)	0
Stable disease	19 (61)	8 (67)	11 (58)
Progressive disease	6 (19)	0	6 (32)
No post-baseline assessments	3 (10)	1 (8)	2 (11)
Objective response rate, n (%)	3 (10)	3 (25)	0
Duration of objective response, median (range), mo	7.6 (4.2–NE)	7.6 (4.2–NE)	NE (NE–NE)
Time to objective response, median (range), mo	2.8 (1.7 –14.5)	2.8 (1.7 –14.5)	NE (NE-NE)
Disease control rate, n (%)	22 (71)	11 (92)	11 (58)

Objective response rate = complete response + partial response. Disease control rate = complete response + partial response + stable disease.





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Phase II trial of cabozantinib (Cabo) plus durvalumab (Durva) in chemotherapy refractory patients with advanced mismatch repair proficient/microsatellite stable (pMMR/MSS) colorectal cancer (CRC): CAMILLA CRC cohort results

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## **CAMILLA CRC Cohort**

#### Efficacy

Table 4. Key Efficacy Outcomes		
Overall Population (evaluable patie	nts, N=29)	
ORR [95% CI] (confirmed & unconfirmed PR)	8 (27.6%) [12.73, 47.24]	
Confirmed PR [95% CI]	6 (20.7%) [7.99, 39.72]	
DCR [95% CI]	25 (86.2%) [68.34, 96.11]	
Median PFS [95% CI]	3.8 months [3.4, 6.3]	
Median OS [95% CI]	9.1 months [5.8, 21.8]	
6-month PFS [95% CI]	10 (34.5%) [17.94, 54.33]	
Subgroup analysis: RAS Wild Type (	N=12)	
ORR [95% CI]	6 (50.0%) [21.09, 78.91]	
DCR [95% CI]	10 (83.3%) [51.59, 97.91]	
Median PFS [95% CI]	6.3 months [1.8, NE]	
Median OS [95% CI]	21.8 months [4.5, NE]	







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# **Cabozantinib versus XL092**

- XL092 = ATP-competitive inhibitor of multiple RTKs (MET, VEGFR2, AXL, MER)
- Higher efficacy with XL092 + immune checkpoint inhibitor in syngeneic tumor models
- PKs from phase I trial showed terminal half-life of 24 hours for XL092 vs. 99 hours for cabozantinib



# **STELLAR-001**



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## **STELLAR-303**

#### STELLAR-303: Phase 3 XL092 + Atezo in 2L+ mCRC

#### **Patient Population**



#### **Stratification Factors**

- · Geographical region (Asia vs other)
- Documented RAS status (WT vs mutant)
- Presence of liver metastases (yes vs no)

#### **Key Study Objectives**

- Primary: OS (ITT RAS WT)
- Additional: OS (all & RAS mut) PFS, ORR, DOR, QOL, safety



# **MODULE 3: Evidence-Based Selection and Sequencing of Therapy for Patients with mCRC** — **Prof Van Cutsem**



# Case Presentation: A 79-year-old man with metastatic rectal cancer and newly diagnosed PMS2-positive Lynch syndrome



#### Dr Liudmila Schafer (Kansas City, Missouri)



### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Liudmila N Schafer, MD

"We started him on pembrolizumab, and he actually has been on it since June of last year with stable disease and decreasing CEA. How does the faculty approach variants of unknown significance in MMR-deficient patients and confirmation with germline testing?"

- Can you explain (at a first-year fellow level) the key biologic and diagnostic issues in MSI-high CRC and Lynch syndrome and other related abnormalities?
- What is your usual first-line treatment for MSI-high mCRC? How do tumor bulk, symptoms and age/performance status factor into your decisions?
- This patient is doing well on pembrolizumab. The tumor NGS demonstrated mutant TP53 Y220C and KRAS p.G13D. Do these alterations have any clinical relevance?



# Case Presentation: A 54-year-old man with pan-RAS WT metastatic rectal cancer treated with FOLFOX/cetuximab



#### Dr Warren Brenner (Boca Raton, Florida)



### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Warren S Brenner, MD

"My questions for the investigators are, what are they using in the front-line setting in patients who have left-sided disease, pan-RAS wild-type?

- Are they using an EGFR inhibitor, or are they still using a VEGF inhibitor such as bevacizumab?
- Is disease in the transverse colon considered left-sided or right-sided disease?
- Are they using q2wk cetuximab dosing, or are they still using weekly cetuximab dosing?
- Should an EGFR inhibitor be combined with FOLFOX or FOLFIRI, and is there any role to combine it with FOLFOXIRI?
- Do the investigators ever use 5-FU plus an EGFR inhibitor as a maintenance strategy in patients with left-sided colorectal cancer?
- Do they have any pearls about the management of EGFR-related skin toxicity? What about any pearls on the management of oxaliplatin-related peripheral neuropathy?
- Are they using preventative strategies for the skin toxicity, such as antibiotics, certain steroid creams or moisturizers, or do they wait for patients to actually develop skin toxicity?"









# Evidence-Based Selection and Sequencing of Therapy for Patients with mCRC

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SPECIAL ARTICLE

Prognostic and predictive value of primary tumour side in patients with *RAS* wild-type metastatic colorectal cancer treated with chemotherapy and EGFR directed antibodies in six randomized trials<sup>†</sup>

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- Left sided tumors have a better prognosis than right sided tumors.
- Sidedness is predictive in first line treatment of RAS Wt tumours:
  - Left sided tumors benefit more for anti-EGFR antibodies.
  - Right sided tumors benefit slightly more from bevacizumab



Meta-Analysis of Head to Head Comparisons of

# 1425

### anti-EGFR AB vs Bevacizumab

#### **Overall survival**



Left-sided primary: Clear benefit from anti-EGFR agents compared to bevacizumab

Right-sided primary: Strong trend in favor of bevacizumab

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Anti-EGFR ab+ CT shows significant mOS benefit vs both FOLFOX and FOLFIRI in left-sided RAS WT mCRC patients in phase III studies





\*TAILOR met its primary endpoint of significantly improving PFS in the cetuximab + FOLFOX4 arm vs FOLFOX4 alone in RAS wt mCRC;<sup>3</sup> +CALGB/SWOG 80405 did not meet its primary endpoint of significantly improving OS in the cetuximab + CT arm vs bevacizumab + CT arm in patients with KRAS (exon 2) wt mCRC; ‡CRYSTAL met its primary endpoint of significantly improving PFS in the cetuximab arm vs FOLFIRI arm in KRAS wt mCRC; §FIRE-3 did not meet its primary endpoint of significantly improving ORR based on investigators' read in patients with KRAS (exon 2) wt mCRC. PFS, progression-free survival.



Treatment of RAS WT mCRC:

#### FOLFOX + bevacizumab or panitumumab

#### PARADIGM Trial

#### Primary Endpoint-1; Overall Survival in Left-sided Population





Treatment of metastatic CRC:

#### **PARADIGM** Trial



#### **Progression-free Survival**<sup>a</sup>





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Treatment of metastatic CRC:

#### PARADIGM Trial



#### **Other Efficacy Outcomes**

	Left-sided Population		Overall Population	
Parameter	Panitumumab +	Bevacizumab +	Panitumumab +	Bevacizumab +
	mFOLFOX6 (n=308)	mFOLFOX6 (n=287)	mFOLFOX6 (n=394)	mFOLFOX6 (n=397)
Response rate, % (95% Cl)	80.2	68.6	74.9	67.3
	(75.3–84.5)	(62.9–74.0)	(70.3–79.1)	(62.4–71.9)
Difference, % (95% CI)	11.2 (4.	4–17.9)	7.7 (1.5	5–13.8)
DCR, % (95% CI)	97.4	96.5	94.9	95.5
	(94.9–98.9)	(93.7–98.3)	(92.3–96.9)	(92.9–97.3)
Median DOR, <sup>a</sup> months (95% CI)	13.1	11.2	11.9	10.7
	(11.1–14.8)	(9.6–13.1)	(10.5–13.4)	(9.5–12.2)
R0 rate, <sup>b</sup>	18.3	11.6	16.5	10.9
% (95% Cl)	(14.1–23.0)	(8.2–15.9]	(13.0–20.5)	(8.1–17.1)

RR, response rate; DCR, disease control rate; DOR, duration of response; R0, curative resection.

<sup>a</sup> DOR was evaluated in patients with complete or partial response.

<sup>b</sup> R0 rate was evaluated in all the patients of efficacy analysis population (left-sided: n=312 for panitumumab and n=292 for bevacizumab; overall: n=400 and 402, respectively).



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Treatment of metastatic CRC:

**PARADIGM** Trial



#### **Other Efficacy Outcome: Depth of Response**



Horizontal dotted line at 30% indicates response per RECIST v1.1.

	Left-sided Population		Overall Population	
	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6	Panitumumab + mFOLFOX6	Bevacizumab + mFOLFOX6
	(n=288)	(n=268)	(n=364)	(n=372)
Median, %	-59.4	-43.6	-57.3	-43.6

Depth of response was assessed in patients with measurable lesions at baseline.



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Treatment of metastatic CRC:

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#### **OS and Subgroup Analysis in Right-sided Population**



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1st line; CT + anti-EGFR vs CT + bevacizumab in left sided RAS wt



	<sup>1</sup> CALGB 80405	<sup>2</sup> PEAK	<sup>3</sup> FIRE3	<sup>4</sup> PARADIGM	<sup>5</sup> STRATEGIC
N RAS wt	325	107	273	604	263
Design	Chemo Cetuxi vs. Chemo Beva	FOLFOX Pani vs. FOLFOX Beva	FOLFIRI Cetuxi vs. FOLFIRI Beva	FOLFOX Pani vs. FOLFOX Beva	FOLFIRI Cetuxi start vs. OPTIMOX Beva → TML strategy
1st endpoint	OS	PFS	RR	OS	DDC
HR for OS	0.77, n.s.	0.84, n.s.	0.71, p<0.001	0.82, p<0.031	0.793, n.s.
Median OS (months)	32.6 vs. <mark>39.3</mark>	32 vs. <mark>43.4</mark>	28.2 vs. <mark>38.2</mark>	34.3 vs. <mark>37.9</mark>	34.4 vs. <mark>37.8</mark>
				all prospectively planned	left sided 81%

<sup>1</sup>Venook A et al., JAMA 2017 and Arnold D et al, Ann Oncol 2017; <sup>2</sup>Boeckx N et al., Ann Oncol 2017; <sup>3</sup>Heinemann V et al., Br J Cancer 2021; <sup>4</sup>Yoshino T et al., ASCO 2022; <sup>5</sup>Chibaudel B et al., ASCO 2022



### Chemo intensity with anti-EGFR



# TRIPLETE phase III trial in first line: FOLFOX/panitumumab vs FOLFOXIRI/panitumumab



**Progression free survival** 

	FOLFOX/Pan N = 213	mFOLFOXIRI/Pan N = 218
Complete Response	7%	7%
Partial Response	69%	66%
Response Rate	76%	73%
Stable disease	17%	18%
Progressive Disease	5%	5%
Not Assessed	2%	4%
R0 Resection Rate	29%	25%

**Response rate** 





Cervantes A et al, Ann Oncol 2022



CRICKET & CHRONOS Trial:

reintroduction with anti-EGFR AB



Genotyping tumor DNA in the blood to direct therapy can be effectively incorporated in the management of advanced CRC



#### **Objective response rate**

Best response RECIST 1.1 by centralized revision	N	%
Responses (PR+CR)		30%
Partial Response	8*	30%
Stable Disease ≥4 mos	9	33%
Stable Disease <4 mos	2	7%
Control of disease (PR+SD≥4 mos)	17	63%
Progressive Disease	8	30%
Total	27	100%



#### **CHRONOS** trial

**CRICKET** trial



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# CAVE GOIM trial:



### rechallenge with cetuximab + avelumab





RAS/BRAF mutated

 48 (0)
 47 (0)
 39 (0)
 32 (0)
 25 (4)
 17 (7)
 10 (3)
 4 (3)
 0 (2)
 48 (0)
 35 (0)
 16 (0)
 9 (0)
 4 (1)
 2 (2)
 0 (1)

 19 (0)
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 6 (0)
 3 (1)
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 19 (0)
 10 (0)
 0 (0)

Martinelli E et al, JAMA Oncol 2021



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#### **UZ LEUVEN** Regorafenib and trifluridine/tipiracil (TAS-102) in refractory mCRC

CORRECT: regorafenib





#### **RECOURSE: trifluridine/tipiracil = TAS-102**



Grothey A, Van Cutsem E et al, Lancet 2013; Mayer R, Van Cutsem E, Ohtsu A et al NEJM, 2015



#### Regorafenib dose-optimisation in patients with refractory metastatic colorectal cancer (ReDOS): a randomised, multicentre, open-label, phase 2 study



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Figure 2: Overall survival (A) and progression-free survival (B) in the dose-escalation and standard-dose groups Censored patients are marked on the curves with a cross.

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# UZREARRANGE Study:LEUVENregorafenib optimal dose seeking





pts. With Treat Rel G3/G4 events

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%

Fig. 1. Trial design.

• **Safety**: % of patients having G3/G4 AEs during the entire course of the treatment





Fig. 3. Treatment-related grade 3-4 adverse events occurring in >2% of patients.



# **W LEUVEN** Danish phase 2 trial of TAS-102 ± bevacizumab



# TAS-102 with or without bevacizumab in patients with chemorefractory metastatic colorectal cancer: an investigator-initiated, open-label, randomised, phase 2 trial

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#### Summary

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**Background** TAS-102 (trifluridine–tipiracil) has shown a significant overall survival benefit compared with placebo in patients with chemorefractory metastatic colorectal cancer. Inspired by the encouraging results of a small phase 1–2 study, C-TASK FORCE, which evaluated the combination of TAS-102 plus bevacizumab in patients with chemorefractory metastatic colorectal cancer, we aimed to compare the efficacy of TAS-102 plus bevacizumab versus TAS-102 monotherapy in patients receiving refractory therapy for metastatic colorectal cancer .

Department of Oncology Methods This investigator-initiated, open-label, randomised, phase 2 study enrolled patients (aged ≥18 years) with (Prof P Pfeiffer PhD), metastatic colorectal from four cancer centres in Denmark. The main inclusion criteria were histopathologically M Krogh PhD, S B Winther PhD, confirmed metastatic colorectal cancer refractory or intolerant to a fluoropyrimidine, irinotecan, oxaliplatin, and K G Thomsen PhD), Open Patient data Explorative cetuximab or panitumumab (only for RAS wild-type), and WHO performance status of 0 or 1. Previous therapy with Network (S Möller PhD), Odense bevacizumab, aflibercept, ramucirumab, or regorafenib was allowed but not mandatory. Participants were enrolled University Hospital, Odense, and randomly assigned (1:1) in block sizes of two, four, or six by a web-based tool to receive oral TAS-102 (35 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Denmark; Department of twice daily on days 1-5 and 8-12 every 28 days) alone or combined with intravenous bevacizumab (5 mg/kg on days 1 Clinical Research, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, and 15) until progression, unacceptable toxicity, or patient decision to withdraw. Treatment assignment was not Denmark (Prof P Pfeiffer, masked, and randomisation was stratified by institution and RAS mutation status. The primary endpoint was S Möller); Department of investigator-evaluated progression-free survival. All analyses were based on intention to treat. This trial is registered Oncology, Aalborg University with EudraCT. 2016-005241-23. Hospital, Aalborg, Denmark

Department of Oncology, Findings From Aug 24, 2017, to Oct 31, 2018, 93 patients were enrolled and randomly assigned to TAS-102 (n=47) or Hospital of Southern Jutland, TAS-102 plus bevacizumab (n=46). The clinical cut-off date was Feb 15, 2019, after a median follow-up of 10.0 months Soenderborg, Denmark (IQR 6.8-14.0). Median progression-free survival was 2.6 months (95% CI 1.6-3.5) in the TAS-102 group versus (D Zitnjak PhD); and Department of Oncology, 4.6 months (3.5–6.5) in the TAS-102 plus bevacizumab group (hazard ratio 0.45 [95% CI 0.29–0.72]; p=0.0015). The Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen most frequent grade 3 or worse adverse event was neutropenia (18 [38%] of 47 in the TAS-102 monotherapy group vs Denmark (L N Petersen PhD, 31 [67%] of 46 in the TAS-102 plus bevacizumab group). Serious adverse events were observed in 21 (45%) patients in C Qvortrup PhD) the TAS-102 group and 19 (41%) in the TAS-102 plus bevacizumab group. No deaths were deemed treatment related. Correspondence to: Prof Per Pfeiffer, Department of

Interpretation In patients with chemorefractory metastatic colorectal cancer, TAS-102 plus bevacizumab, as compared with TAS-102 monotherapy, was associated with a significant and clinically relevant improvement in progression-free survival with tolerable toxicity. The combination of TAS-102 plus bevacizumab could be a new treatment option for patients with refractory metastatic colorectal cancer and could be a practice-changing development.



**Figure 2: The efficacy of TAS-102 monotherapy versus TAS-102 plus bevacizumab combination therapy** (A) Progression-free survival. (B) Overall survial. HR=hazard ratio.

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• An open-label, randomized, phase 3 study in patients with refractory mCRC (NCT04737187)



<sup>a</sup> Prior treatment must have included a fluoropyrimidine, irinotecan, oxaliplatin, an anti-VEGF monoclonal antibody (not necessarily bevacizumab), and/or an anti-EGFR monoclonal antibody for patients with *RAS* wild-type and could have included (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy if disease had recurred during treatment or within 6 months of the last administration of (neo)adjuvant therapy. BID, twice daily; DCR, disease control rate; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; EFGR, epidermal growth factor receptor; FTD/TPI, trifluridine/tipiracil; HR, hazard ratio; IV, intravenous; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; p.o., orally; QoL, quality of life; R, randomization; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.

**Trifluridine/Tipiracil plus Bevacizumab for Third-Line Treatment of Refractory Metastatic Colorectal Cancer: The Phase 3 Randomized SUNLIGHT Study** 

Tabernero J et al. 2023 ASCO Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium; Abstract 4.

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# MODULE 4: Promising Agents and Strategies for Patients with mCRC — Dr Bekaii-Saab



Case Presentation: A 50-year-old woman with KRAS and BRAF WT, HER2-negative T3N1 rectal cancer with liver and lung oligometastases s/p multiple ablations/SBRT and currently receiving FOLFIRI/panitumumab – MSS, pMMR, PD-L1 0%



#### Dr Jennifer Dallas (Charlotte, North Carolina)


#### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Jennifer L Dallas, MD

"My question for this case is, in this woman with progressive oligometastatic rectal cancer, if she has no evidence of disease after the stereotactic radiation, is there a role for ctDNA testing to help predict recurrence?"

• What are the most frequent sites of oligometastatic disease, and how do you determine the type of local treatment in common clinical scenarios?



## Case Presentation: A 60-year-old woman with metastatic KRAS G12C-mutant cancer of the sigmoid colon



**Dr Philip Brooks (Brewer, Maine)** 



#### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Philip L Brooks, MD

"The important thing is, she does have a KRAS G12C mutation on NGS. My question is, should I consider sotorasib? Our academic center, which is Dana-Farber, is a 5-hour drive for her, but they are soon going to have a trial of adagrasib and cetuximab. Should I wait for her to get onto the study? Should I do it off study by adding sotorasib to cetuximab?"

• In what situations should a community-based oncologist consider off-label use of available agents to treat KRAS G12C-mutant CRC? Which agents?





#### Promising Agents and Strategies for Patients with mCRC

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## Why Has KRAS Been Considered Undruggable?

- Lack of accessible binding pockets (large hydrophobic pockets difficult to target with small molecule chemistry)
- Toxic effects of indirect KRAS-targeting approaches
- The first signs of the dawn appear on the horizon for one specific mutation, KRAS (G12C). Unlike KRAS (G12D) and KRAS (G12V), KRAS (G12C) can maintain alternative interactions with its downstream effectors through an active cycle between the GDP-bound and GTP-bound states

#### KRAS Mutation Type in GI Cancers



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### Background

- KRAS<sup>G12C</sup> mutations occur in approximately 3–4% of CRC, act as oncogenic drivers, and are a negative predictor of cetuximab efficacy<sup>1–4</sup>
- The KRAS protein cycles between guanosine triphosphate (GTP)-on and guanosine diphosphate (GDP)-off states and has a protein resynthesis half-life of ~24 hours<sup>5,6</sup>
- Adagrasib, a covalent inhibitor of KRAS<sup>G12C</sup>, irreversibly and selectively binds KRAS<sup>G12C</sup> in its inactive, GDP-bound state and was optimized for desired properties, including<sup>7</sup>:
  - Long half-life of ~24 hours, dose-dependent PK, and brain penetration
  - Maintaining continuous adagrasib exposure above a target threshold enables inhibition of KRAS-dependent signaling for the complete dosing interval and maximizes antitumor activity
- Sotorasib is another first-in-class, irreversible inhibitor of the KRASG12C protein<sup>8</sup>
- Combining KRAS G12C inhibitors with an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) inhibitor, may enhance inhibition of KRASdependent signaling or overcome adaptive feedback to improve outcomes<sup>9</sup>



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## Adagrasib with or without Cetuximab in Colorectal Cancer with Mutated KRAS G12C

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### KRYSTAL-1 (849-001) Phase 1b/2 CRC Cohorts Study Design



- Previously reported data demonstrated clinical activity of adagrasib monotherapy and adagrasib + cetuximab in patients with previously treated KRAS<sup>G12C</sup>-mutated CRC<sup>10,e</sup>
- Here we report updated data for adagrasib 600 mg BID as monotherapy (Phase 2; median follow-up: 20.1 months) and in combination with cetuximab (Phase 1b; median follow-up: 17.5 months) in patients with previously treated KRAS<sup>G12C</sup>-mutated CRC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>KRAS<sup>G12C</sup> mutation detected in tumor tissue and/or ctDNA per protocol. <sup>b</sup>Capsule, fasted. <sup>c</sup>Cetuximab dosing, 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> followed by 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> QW, or 500 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Q2W. <sup>d</sup>Response was analysed in the clinically evaluable population with local radiology review. <sup>e</sup>Previous data were reported for 46 patients (n=2 in Phase 1/1b and n=44 in Phase 2) receiving adagrasib monotherapy (median follow-up: 8.9 months) and 32 patients receiving adagrasib + cetuximab (median follow-up: 7 months)<sup>10</sup>

## Best tumor change from baseline

Adagrasib

#### Adagrasib plus Cetuximab



## **Time to Response and Duration of Treatment**



### **Overall Summary of Clinical Activity**

	Adagrasib Monotherapy	Adagrasib plus Cetuximab
Variable	(N=43)†	(N=28)∷
Objective response§		
Per blinded independent central review — no. of patients	10	13
% (95% CI)	23 (12–39)	46 (28–66)
As confirmed by investigator — no. of patients	8	13
% (95% CI)	19 (8–33)	46 (28–66)
Best overall response — no. (%)		
Complete response	0	0
Partial response	8 (19)	13 (46)
Stable disease	29 (67)	15 (54)
Progressive disease	6 (14)	0
Not evaluable	0	0
Median duration of response — mo	4.3	7.6
95% CI	2.3-8.3	5.7–NE
Median progression-free survival — mo¶	5.6	6.9
95% CI	4.1-8.3	5.4-8.1
Median overall survival — mo¶	19.8	13.4
95% CI	12.5–23.0	9.5–20.1

#### **Summary of Treatment-Related Adverse Events**

Adverse Event	Adagrasib Monotherapy (N = 44)				
	Any Grade	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
		nui	mber of patients (perc	ent)	
Any event	41 (93)	10 (23)	16 (36)	13 (30)	2 (5)
Leading to dose discontinuation	0	-	-	-	-
Leading to dose interruption	20 (45)			-	_
Leading to dose reduction	17 (39)	-	-	-	-
Most frequent events †					
Diarrhea	29 (66)	16 (36)	10 (23)	3 (7)	0
Nausea	25 (57)	15 (34)	10 (23)	0	0
Vomiting	20 (45)	12 (27)	8 (18)	0	0
Fatigue	20 (45)	11 (25)	7 (16)	2 (5)	0
Anemia	7 (16)	2 (5)	1 (2)	4 (9)	0
Prolonged QT interval on ECG	7 (16)	2 (5)	3 (7)	2 (5)	0
Peripheral edema	7 (16)	6 (14)	1 (2)	0	0
Decreased appetite	8 (18)	4 (9)	4 (9)	0	0
Increased ALT	5 (11)	3 (7)	0	2 (5)	0
Increased AST	5 (11)	3 (7)	0	2 (5)	0

	Adagrasib plus Cetuximab (N = 32)				
Any event	32 (100)	5 (16)	22 (69)	3 (9)	2 (6)
Leading to dose discontinuation					
Adagrasib	0	-	—	-	-
Cetuximab	5 (16)	_	_	_	_
Leading to dose interruption					
Adagrasib	14 (44)	-	_	—	_
Cetuximab	10 (31)	—	—	_	_
Leading to dose reduction					
Adagrasib	10 (31)	_	-	_	—
Cetuximab	1 (3)	—	—	-	_
Most frequent events†					
Nausea	20 (62)	13 (41)	7 (22)	0	0
Diarrhea	18 (56)	11 (34)	6 (19)	1 (3)	0
Vomiting	17 (53)	13 (41)	4 (12)	0	0
Dermatitis acneiform	15 (47)	11 (34)	3 (9)	1 (3)	0
Fatigue	15 (47)	8 (25)	7 (22)	0	0
Dry skin	13 (41)	11 (34)	2 (6)	0	0
Headache	10 (31)	7 (22)	3 (9)	0	0
Dizziness	8 (25)	4 (12)	4 (12)	0	0
Maculopapular rash	8 (25)	7 (22)	1 (3)	0	0
Stomatitis	7 (22)	5 (16)	1 (3)	1 (3)	0
Dyspepsia	6 (19)	4 (12)	2 (6)	0	0
Hypomagnesemia	6 (19)	3 (9)	3 (9)	0	0
Infusion-related reaction	6 (19)	1 (3)	4 (12)	0	1 (3)

#### KRYSTAL-10 (849-010): Phase 3 Randomized, Open-Label Trial of 2L Adagrasib +

#### Cetuximab vs Chemotherapy in Metastatic CRC With KRAS<sup>G12C</sup> Mutation



Primary: PFS, OS Secondary: Safety, ORR (RECIST 1.1), 1-year OS, DOR, PK, PROs

<sup>a</sup>Dosing: cetuximab, 500 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Q2W. <sup>b</sup>FOLFIRI Q2W (irinotecan, 180 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, 5-FU/LV with fluorouracil given as a 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV bolus followed by a 2400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> dose given as a continuous infusion over 46–48 hours). <sup>c</sup>mFOLFOX6 Q2W (oxaliplatin, 85 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, 5-FU/LV, with fluorouracil given as a 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV bolus followed by a 2400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> dose given as continuous infusion over 46–48 hours). <sup>c</sup>linicalTrials.gov NCT04793958.

### CodeBreaK 100 : Sotorasib +/- Panitumumab in mCRC



a30 (+7) days after end of treatment for safety follow-up; every 12 weeks for long term follow-up. PK: pharmacokinetics; PFS: progression-free survival.

#### CodeBreaK 100: Phase 2 mCRC Results of Sotorasib

	Patients (n=62)
Objective response, n (%; 95% Cl)*	6 (9-7%; 3-6-19-9)
Disease control, n (%; 95% CI)†	51 (82.3%; 70.5-90.8)
Best response, n (%)	
Complete response	0
Partial response	6 (10%)
Stable disease	45 (73%)
Progressive disease	11 (18%)
Median time to response, months (IQR)‡	2.0 (1.4-2.8)
Median duration of response, months (IQR)‡	4-2 (2-9-8-5)

\*Objective response was defined as a complete or partial response. †Disease control was defined as a complete response, partial response, or stable disease. #Time to response and duration of response were calculated among the six confirmed responders. Kaplan-Meier estimates of the median (95% CI) for duration of response were not calculated given that the analysis had fewer than ten patients. Crude median duration of response is reported.

Table 2: Tumour response to sotorasib therapy according to independent central review

	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4
Total treatment-related adverse events	27 (44%)	6 (10%)	1 (2%)
Diarrhoea	11 (18%)	2 (3%)	0
Alanine aminotransferase increased	3 (5%)	1 (2%)	0
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	3 (5%)	1(2%)	0
Fatigue	1(2%)	1 (2%)	0
Blood cholesterol increased	0	1(2%)	0
Blood creatine phosphokinase increased	0	0	1 (2%)
Back pain	0	1(2%)	0
Acute kidney injury	0	1 (2%)	0
Nausea	10 (16%)	0	0

Data are n (%). Treatment-related adverse events are treatment-emergent adverse events that are considered to be related to the investigational product by the investigator. Treatment-related adverse events of grade 1 or 2 occurring in 10% of patients or more, and worse grade is presented. There were no grade 5 treatment-related adverse events.

Table 3: Treatment-related adverse events in the safety population



Fakih M et al, Lancet Oncol 2022; 23:115-124.

## CodeBreaK101 : Sotorasib + Panitumumab



- Reduction in RECIST target lesions observed in 88% of patients
- Median (range) duration of treatment was 5.9 (0.5, 11.3) months, with 25% of patients
  remaining on treatment
  Kuboki Y et al. ESMO 2022

## CodeBreaK101 : Sotorasib + Panitumumab

#### **Treatment-Related Adverse Events (TRAEs)**

TRAE	N = 40 n (%)	TRAEs oc	curring in ≥10% (any grade)	of patie	nts
TRAE, any grade	37 (93)		:	2	
Attributed to sotorasib	26 (65)	Dermatitis acneiform-	;		50%
	()	Rash-		35%	
Attributed to panitumumab	37 (93)	Diarrhoea-		33%	
Grade 3 TRAE*	9 (23)	Dry skin-		28%	
Grade 4 TRAE	0	Pruritus-	25	%	
	2	Nausea-	25	%	
Fatal IRAE	0	Hypomagnesaemia-	20%		
TRAE leading to dose interruptions/reductions		Fatigue-	15%		Grade 1
Attributed to sotorasib	6 (15)	Rash maculopapular-	13%		Grade 3
Attributed to panitumumab	10 (25)	Ō	20	40	60
TRAE leading to discontinuation of either drug	0		Patie	nts, %	

Data cutoff: June 24, 2022.

\*Grade 3 TRAEs were rash (n=2, 5%), anaemia, fatigue, peripheral oedema, cellulitis, pustular rash, salmonellosis, skin infection, hypomagnesaemia, malignant neoplasm progression, pulmonary embolism, dermatitis acneiform, and pruritus (n=1 patient each, 3%).

Kuboki Y et al . ESMO 2022

- Sotorasib/panitumumab was well tolerated; no TRAEs resulted in discontinuation of either drug
- TRAEs were consistent with known safety profiles of the individual drugs

#### Sotorasib and Panitumumab Versus Investigator's Choice for Participants With Kirsten Rat Sarcoma (KRAS) p.G12C Mutation (CodeBreaK 300)



ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT05198934

#### MRTX113 is a selective inhibitor of KRAS-G12D protein



Dang T et al. Cancer Gene Therapy 2022

Hallin J et al . Nature Medicine , 2022

## **Other Targeted Agents in mCRC**



Xie YH et al . Sig Transduct Target Ther 2020

## FRESCO 2 : Phase III study of fruquintinib in pts with refractory mCRC

#### **Progression Free Survival**

**Overall Survival** 



Prior TAS-102 and/or egorafenib	TAS-102 Regorafenib Both	240 (52.1) 40 (8.7) 181 (39.3)	121 (52.6) 18 (7.8) 91 (39.6)
gorafenib	Regorafenib Both	40 (8.7) 181 (39.3)	18 (7.8) 91 (39.6)

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#### **Safety Population**

## **Most Common TEAEs**

#### (Any Grade $\geq$ 15% in Either Arm)

TEAE, n (%)	Fruquintinib (N=456)		Placebo (N=230)	
	Any Grade	Grade ≥ 3	Any Grade	Grade ≥ 3
Patients with ≥1 TEAE	451 (98.9)	286 (62.7)	213 (92.6)	116 (50.4)
Hypertension	168 (36.8)	62 (13.6)	20 (8.7)	2 (0.9)
Asthenia	155 (34.0)	35 (7.7)	52 (22.6)	9 (3.9)
Decreased appetite	124 (27.2)	11 (2.4)	40 (17.4)	3 (1.3)
Diarrhea	110 (24.1)	16 (3.5)	24 (10.4)	0
Hypothyroidism	94 (20.6)	2 (0.4)	1 (0.4)	0
Fatigue	91 (20.0)	18 (3.9)	37 (16.1)	2 (0.9)
Hand-foot syndrome	88 (19.3)	29 (6.4)	6 (2.6)	0
Abdominal pain	83 (18.2)	14 (3.1)	37 (16.1)	7 (3.0)
Nausea	79 (17.3)	3 (0.7)	42 (18.3)	2 (0.9)
Proteinuria	79 (17.3)	8 (1.8)	12 (5.2)	2 (0.9)
Constipation	78 (17.1)	2 (0.4)	22 (9.6)	0
Dysphonia	74 (16.2)	0	12 (5.2)	0



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### **Relevant therapeutic targets in metastatic CRC**



Di Nicolantoniof et al. Net Rev in Clin Onc 2021

### MODULE 5: The Changing Management Paradigm for Localized CRC — Dr Kopetz



# Case Presentation: A 72-year-old man with 2 synchronous T3N0 cancers of the splenic flexure and cecum who is ctDNA-positive s/p resection



#### Dr Warren Brenner (Boca Raton, Florida)



#### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Warren S Brenner, MD

"The number 1 question is, should molecular MRD testing be standard in early-stage disease in order to inform management decisions? Would any of the investigators use molecular testing to potentially avoid chemotherapy in patients who have standard-risk Stage III disease — 1 or 2 positive lymph nodes — especially in older patients? Would they omit chemotherapy if someone were MRD-negative?

- Is there a role for following MRD results in patients receiving adjuvant chemotherapy to determine length of treatment and possibly escalation or de-escalation of therapy?
- Another circumstance where I'm using it is in patients who have had Stage IV colon cancer potentially resected to NED. Are they using it in that situation?"



## Case Presentation: An 80-year-old man with a Stage II obstructing cancer of the right colon



#### Dr Namrata Peswani (Richardson, Texas)



#### **QUESTIONS FOR THE FACULTY**



Namrata I Peswani, MD

"The patient was post-op when he had his pulmonary embolism. He blamed the capecitabine, but I'm not entirely convinced that it was chemo-related. Maybe it was just his cancer and his surgery that potentially caused it. He doesn't want to continue treatment, but I think having the circulating tumor DNA test would be extremely helpful here. I would love to hear how the experts decide which patient to use the assay on."

• What are new uses of ctDNA assays being investigated in ongoing clinical trials?







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## The Changing Management Paradigm of Localized CRC

Scott Kopetz, MD, PhD

Professor and Deputy Chair, GI Medical Oncology, MD Anderson

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Diaz and Bardelli, JCO 2014

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## Best performing assays can detect as few as one genomic equivalent in 10 ml of plasma (VAF = 0.01%)



This requires use of a ctDNA assay optimized for minimal residual disease detection

#### CXR can detect 10<sup>9</sup> cancer cells





CT Scan can detect 10<sup>7</sup> cancer cells





ctDNA can detect 10<sup>5</sup> cancer cells?





#### ctDNA can define Minimal Residual Disease after surgery

Key features of current ctDNA tests in post-op setting for CRC:

Near 100% positive predictive value

Sensitivity ~50-70% for single test

Lead time between ctDNA+ and radiographic recurrence

Stage II (5% prevalence of ctDNA+)



Stage III (16% prevalence of ctDNA+)



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#### DFS by 4wk post-op ctDNA status



Kotani D et al. Nature Med 2023; Jan 16 [published online].

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#### DFS by ctDNA dynamics 4-12 weeks post-op

## Cumulative ctDNA clearance by adjuvant chemotherapy (ACT) vs observation



Kotani D et al. Nature Med 2023; Jan 16 [published online].

## **DYNAMIC Study Design**

ACTRN12615000381583



#### **Stratification Factors**

T stage (T3 vs T4)

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• Type of participating center (metropolitan vs regional)

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#### Surveillance:

- CEA  $\rightarrow$  3-monthly for 24M, then 6-monthly for 36M
- CT C/A/P  $\rightarrow$  6-monthly for 24M, then at 36M


# **Adjuvant Treatment Delivery**

Treatment Information	ctDNA-Guided N = 294	Standard Management N = 147	P-value
Adjuvant Chemotherapy received, n	45 <b>(15%)</b>	41 <b>(28%)</b>	0.0017
Chemotherapy regimen received, n Oxaliplatin-based doublet Single agent fluoropyrimidine	28/45 <b>(62%)</b> 17/45 <b>(38%)</b>	4/41 <b>(10%)</b> 37/41 <b>(90%)</b>	<.0001
Time from surgery to commencing chemotherapy, median (IQR), days	83 (76, 89)	53 (49, 61)	<.0001
Treatment duration, median (IQR), weeks	24 (19, 24)	24 (21, 24)	0.9318
Completed planned treatment, n	38 (85%)	32 (78%)	0.7036
Percentage of full dose delivered, median (IQR)	78 (56, 100)	84 (64, 100)	0.6194



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# **Recurrence-Free Survival**





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## COBRA: NRG GI-005 (low-risk stage IIA CRC)



- Comparison of outcomes by ctDNA+ status: No chemo vs chemo
- Phase II: ctDNA clearance
- Phase III: RFS
- ctDNA assay: Guardant Reveal



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#### PI: Van Morris



**Pls:** Arvind Dasari (MDACC – NRG) Christopher Lieu (UCCC – SWOG)

\*: Duration and regimen per physician discretion

#: 6 months duration

## Personalized Vaccine Study: BioNTech Study

Patients with **stage IIB/III colon cancer** with detected ctDNA after surgery will be eligible for further evaluation

Up to 20 neoantigens predicted from NGS studies using bioinformatics pipeline will be used to create a personalized liposomal mRNA RO7198457 product

Patients on both arms restaged with imaging every 3 months for assessment of recurrence. Plasma collected for qualitative/quantitative ctDNA exploratory assessment.

Primary endpoint: Disease-free survival (DFS)

Key secondary: Change in ctDNA

Sample size: 201 participants



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## **CRCMRD.org:** Helping patients find information on clinical trials of MRD

Cord blood NK cells + Cetuximab		NCT05040568
Pembrolizumab or Nivolumab for MSI-H	NCT0380355	3/NCT03832569
TAS-102 alone or in combination	NCT05343013	3/ NCT04920032
Exercise +/- Diet, Vit D, Aspirin	NCT05036109	/ NCT04589468
Personalized Peptide Vaccine + CD40 +	anti-PD1	NCT03803553
Encorafenib, binimetinib, cetuximab in BF	RAF <sup>mut</sup>	NCT02600949
PD1, CTLA4, Regorafenib		TBD



## Phase 3 ATOMIC Trial (Stage III MSI-H)

#### N = 700

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Stage III colon adenocarcinoma with any tumor (Tx-T4, N1-2M0; including N1C) originating or entirely located in colon
- Completely resected tumor
- dMMR
- No residual involved lymph node or metastatic disease at time of registration
- No prior chemotherapy, immunotherapy, biologic, targeted therapy, or radiation therapy; 1 previous cycle of mFOLFOX6 permitted.
- ECOG performance status ≤2
- No known active autoimmune disease or hepatitis B or C

**Experimental arm:** mFOLFOX6 with atezolizumab (12 cycles) followed by atezolizumab (6 months)

**Control arm:** mFOLFOX6 (12 cycles) Endpoints:

**Primary** DFS

Secondary OS, AEs

AE indicates adverse event; DFS, disease-free survival; dMMR, DNA mismatch repair; mFOLFOX6, modified leucovorin calcium, fluorouracil, and oxaliplatin; OS, overall survival.

## Phase 3 Studies in Stage II / III Colorectal Cancer with MSI-H



# Neoadjuvant: NICHE Clinical Trials Demonstrate Great activity in MSI-H

- Ipilimumab 1mg/kg Day1
- Nivolumab 3mg/kg Day 1 + 15
- Median duration from first tx to surgery 32 days (IQR: 28-35)



• Median duration from first tx to surgery 35 days

Path Response	Patients (N=107)
YES	106 (99%)
• Major (<10%)	102 (95%)
• Complete (0%)	72 (67%)
• Partial (10-50%)	4 (4%)
NO	1 (1%)

### **NICHE-2** Clinical Trial

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## NICHE2 Clinical Trial: High CR in MSI-H



### Major pathologic response in 95% of patients; 67% pCR

Chalabi et al ESMO '22

See also dostarlimab rectal data with high clinical CR rates, although no pathology responses available.

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## Pembrolizumab Efficacy in Neoadjuvant MSI-H CRC



#### Waterfall plot of best response by RECIST v 1.1 (n=33)



Ludford and Overman ESMO 2022; JCO '22

## Supportive preclinical and clinical data for neoadjuvant



# Neoadjuvant versus adjuvant ipilimumab plus nivolumab in macroscopic stage III melanoma

- 20 patients randomized to 2 cycles prior to, 2 cycles after vs 4 cycles after surgery
- Tumor TCR clones were sequenced and tracked in peripheral blood
- Neoadjuvant vs adjuvant therapy produced greater expansion and increased number of new clones detected



Blank et al '18

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## Conclusions

- MRD applications are enabled by very high **positive predictive value** (low false positive) of commercially-available ctDNA for recurrent disease in patients
- Applications in guiding adjuvant therapy are first, but novel therapeutics are being increasingly evaluated in the space
- In the next several years, ctDNA will dramatically change our approaches to "adjuvant" therapy, **but we need to develop the data** and understand more about strengths/weaknesses of these strategies before prematurely adopting any new intervention approaches
- How to utilize PD1 (+/- CTLA4) in neoadjuvant setting remains to be seen and more data is awaited, but potential for organ preservation strategies in MSI-H

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