

# VISITING PROFESSORS

## Clinical Investigators Provide Their Perspectives on Current Cases and Emerging Research in the Management of Hodgkin and Non-Hodgkin Lymphomas and Multiple Myeloma

### CME Information

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

This activity is intended for medical oncologists, hematology-oncology fellows and other allied healthcare professionals involved in the treatment of hematologic cancers.

#### OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY

Hematologic cancers include the lymphomas, the leukemias, multiple myeloma and other related disorders (eg, myelodysplastic syndromes, myeloproliferative diseases) stemming from lymphoid and myeloid progenitor cell lines. Taken together, it is estimated that approximately 162,020 new lymphoid, myeloid and leukemic cancer cases will be identified in the United States in the year 2015 and 56,630 individuals will die from these diseases.

More than 60 drug products with more than 70 distinct FDA-approved indications are currently labeled for use in the management of hematologic cancers. Although this extensive list of available treatment options is reassuring for patients and oncology healthcare professionals, it poses a challenge to the practicing clinician who must maintain up-to-date knowledge of appropriate clinical management strategies across a vast spectrum of liquid and solid tumors.

These video proceedings from a CME symposium held during the 2015 ASCO Annual Meeting feature discussions with leading researchers with an expertise in hematologic cancers regarding actual patient cases and related clinical research findings. By providing information on the latest research developments and their potential application to routine practice, this activity is designed to not only improve clinicians' knowledge of recent data related to the rapidly evolving hematologic oncology treatment landscape but also to provide them with practical perspectives to help them become better and more effective caregivers.

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Incorporate new therapeutic strategies into the best-practice management of Hodgkin lymphoma.
- Review emerging clinical trial data on the efficacy and safety of brentuximab vedotin for patients with CD30-positive lymphomas, and use this information to prioritize protocol and nonresearch options for these patients.

- Consider available clinical research reports in the formulation of therapeutic recommendations for patients with newly diagnosed and relapsed/refractory follicular lymphoma.
- Customize the selection of systemic therapy for patients with newly diagnosed and progressive mantle-cell lymphoma, recognizing the recent addition of bortezomib, lenalidomide and ibrutinib as FDA-endorsed options.
- Appreciate the recent FDA approvals of novel targeted agents — ibrutinib, idelalisib and obinutuzumab — for the treatment of newly diagnosed and relapsed/refractory chronic lymphocytic leukemia, and discern how these therapies can be appropriately integrated into clinical practice.
- Recognize the role of novel agents in the management of T-cell lymphomas, and ensure appropriate supportive care measures to minimize side effects.
- Compare and contrast the benefits and risks of immunomodulatory agents, proteasome inhibitors or both as systemic treatment for newly diagnosed and relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma (MM).
- Customize the use of consolidation and/or maintenance therapeutic approaches for patients with MM in the post-transplant and nontransplant settings based on patient- and disease-related factors.
- Assess investigator perspectives regarding the need for hydration, the incidence of pulmonary and/or cardiac toxicity and the frequency of other side effects associated with carfilzomib, and safely integrate this agent into the clinical care of patients with MM.
- Assess the ongoing clinical trials evaluating novel investigational approaches for Hodgkin and non-Hodgkin lymphoma and MM, and enroll appropriate patients in clinical trials.

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Adobe Acrobat Reader  
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