

THE NEW BIOLOGY OF NON-SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER

CME Information

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This activity is intended for medical oncologists and other healthcare providers involved in the treatment of lung cancer.

OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY

Lung cancer is a devastating disease with a broad-reaching impact on public health, accounting for 14% of all new cancer cases in the US and the most cancer-related deaths among both men and women. In the year 2015, it is estimated that 221,200 individuals will be diagnosed and 158,040 individuals will die from the disease. Importantly, despite the many advances over the past few decades related to surgery, radiation therapy and chemotherapy, death rates attributable to lung cancer have remained relatively unchanged. Today, many are optimistic that these trends have already started to change as recent research advances have led to an explosion in lung cancer genetic and biologic knowledge among scientists and clinicians working in this area of cancer medicine.

To bridge the gap between research and patient care, this video presentation by Dr Heather Wakelee uses a review of recent relevant publications and presentations, ongoing clinical trials and clinical investigator treatment preferences to assist medical oncologists and other healthcare providers involved in the treatment of lung cancer with the formulation of up-to-date clinical management strategies.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Discriminate among molecular determinates that may be used to refine non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) prognosis and/or predict therapeutic response to an individual treatment.
- Employ an understanding of personalized medicine to individualize the use of available EGFR inhibitors in the treatment of NSCLC.
- Describe mechanisms of tumor resistance to EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs), and identify investigational therapeutic opportunities to circumvent these processes.
- Communicate the efficacy and safety of crizotinib, ceritinib (LDK378) and other investigational ALK inhibitors to appropriate patients with NSCLC, considering the predictive utility of ALK mutation testing.

- Describe emerging data on the efficacy and safety of tumor immunotherapy directed at the PD-1/PD-L1 pathway in lung cancer, and consider this information when counseling patients regarding clinical trial participation.
- Recognize the results of recently completed Phase III trials examining the efficacy and safety of the novel monoclonal antibodies necitumumab and ramucirumab for patients with advanced NSCLC.
- Assess new oncogenic pathways mediating the growth of unique NSCLC tumor subsets, and recall emerging data with experimental agents exploiting these targets.

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- A randomized phase II study of individualized combined modality therapy for stage III non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC). NCT01822496**
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