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Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Melanoma

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FDA-approved Immunotherapies in Melanoma *Cytokines*

- High-dose Interferon
 - Adjuvant therapy
 - High dose I.V., followed by SQ
 - Treatment for up to one year
- Pegylated Interferon
 - Adjuvant therapy
 - SQ only
 - Longer duration than high dose interferon
- Interleukin-2
 - Stage IV
 - I.V., significant toxicities
 - Long term survival



Sim, Radvanyi Cytogfr 2014









FDA-approved Immunotherapies in Melanoma Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors

- Ipilimumab, adjuvant and nonresectable/Stage IV, I.V.different dosing for adjuvant and nonresectable/Stage IV
- Pembrolizumab, nonresectable/Stage IV, I.V.
- Nivolumab, adjuvant and non resectable/Stage IV, I.V.
- Ipilimumab in combination with nivolumab, Stage IV



Ribas NEJM 2012 Gordon et al Nature 2017









FDA-approved Immunotherapies in Melanoma Oncolytic Viruses

- Talimogene Laharparepvec
 - T-VEC
 - Non resectable, intratumoral/Intralesional



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Adjuvant Ipilimumab in High-Risk Stage III Melanoma

- EORTC 18071 phase III trial
 - NCT00636168
 - Adjuvant ipilimumab vs placebo
 - Ipilimumab 10mg/kg Q3W for four doses, then every 3 months for up to 3 years



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Adjuvant Nivolumab vs Ipilimumab in High-Risk Stage III Melanoma

- CheckMate 238 phase III trial
 - NCT02388906
 - Ipilimumab 10mg/kg Q3W for four doses, then every 3 months
 - Nivolumab 3mg/kg Q2W for up to 1 year

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	Events/patients	171/453	221/453
	Median (95% CI)	30.8 (30.8, NR) ^a	24.1 (16.6, NR)
	HR (95% CI)	0.66 (0.5	54, 0.81)
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Adjuvant Pembrolizumab in High-Risk Stage III Melanoma

- EORTC 1325/KEYNOTE-054 phase III trial
 - NCT02362594
 - Adjuvant pembrolizumab vs placebo
 - Pembrolizumab 200mg Q3W for up to 1 year (~18 total doses)





Ipilimumab in Stage III/IV Melanoma

- Pooled OS data from 10 phase II/III trials
 - Previously treated (n = 1,257) or treatment-naïve (n = 604)
 - Ipilimumab 3 mg/kg (n = 965) or 10 mg/kg (n = 706)



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Pembrolizumab in Stage III/IV Melanoma Phase III KEYNOTE-006 Trial



Robert et al. NEJM 2015







Combination Ipilimumab + Nivolumab in Stage III/IV Melanoma Phase III CheckMate 067 Trial





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Hodi et. al. Lancet Oncol 2018



Combination Ipilimumab + Nivolumab for Patients with Asymptomatic Brain Metastases

Variable	Intracranial (N=94)	Extracranial (N = 94)	Global (N = 94)
Best overall response — no. (%)*			
Complete response	24 (26)	7 (7)	8 (9)
Partial response	28 (30)	40 (43)	40 (43)
Stable disease for \geq 6 mo	2 (2)	6 (6)	5 (5)
Progressive disease	31 (33)	28 (30)	33 (35)
Could not be evaluated†	9 (10)	13 (14)	8 (9)
Objective response <u></u> ‡			
No. of patients	52	47	48
Percent of patients (95% CI)	55 (45–66)	50 (40–60)	51 (40-62)
Clinical benefit∬			
No. of patients	54	53	53
Percent of patients (95% CI)	57 (47–68)	56 (46–67)	56 (46–67)



Tawbi et al. NEJM 2018







Importance of Tumor PD-L1 Status with Anti-PD-1 Monotherapy



	Who Died n/N	Median Survival mo (95% Cl)	
ivolumab D-L1 Positive	11/74	N.R.	
ivolumab D-L1 Negative	37/128	N.R.	
acarbazine D-L1 Positive	29/74	12.4 (9.2–N.R.)	
acarbazine D-L1 Negative	64/126	10.2 (7.6–11.8)	

Patients









Importance of Tumor PD-L1 Status between Combination Checkpoint Blockade and Monotherapy



Tumor PD-L1 Positive Patients

Tumor PD-L1 Negative Patients







Larkin et al. NEJM 2015



Talimogene laherparepvec (T-VEC) in Stage III/IV Melanoma

Phase III OPTiM Trial

- Oncolytic, geneticallyengineered herpes virus
- Intralesional T-VEC 10⁶ pfu/mL, 10⁸ pfu/mL 3 weeks after initial dose, then Q2W
- Subcutaneous GM-CSF



Andtbacka, Kaufman et al. JCO 2015







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Treatment of Immune-Related AEs

Grade of immune-related AE (CTCAE/equivalent)	Corticosteroid management	Additional notes
1	Corticosteroids not usually indicated	Continue immunotherapy
2	 If indicated, start oral prednisone 0.5-1 mg/kg/day if patient can take oral medication. If IV required, start methylprednisolone 0.5-1 mg/kg/day IV If no improvement in 2–3 days, increase corticosteroid dose to 2 mg/kg/day Once improved to ≤grade 1 AE, start 4–6 week steroid taper 	 Hold immunotherapy during corticosteroid use Continue immunotherapy once resolved to ≤grade 1 and off corticosteroids Start proton pump inhibitor for GI prophylaxis
3	 Start prednisone 1-2 mg/kg/day (or equivalent dose of methylprednisolone) If no improvement in 2–3 days, add additional/alternative immune suppressant Once improved to ≤ grade 1, start 4–6-week steroid taper Provide supportive treatment as needed 	 Hold immunotherapy; if symptoms do not improve in 4–6 weeks, discontinue immunotherapy Consider intravenous corticosteroids Start proton pump inhibitor for GI prophylaxis Add PCP prophylaxis if more than 3 weeks of immunosuppression expected (>30 mg prednisone or equivalent/day)
4	 Start prednisone 1-2 mg/kg/day (or equivalent dose of methylprednisolone) If no improvement in 2–3 days, add additional/alternative immune suppressant, e.g., infliximab Provide supportive care as needed 	 Discontinue immunotherapy Continue intravenous corticosteroids Start proton pump inhibitor for GI prophylaxis Add PCP prophylaxis if more than 3 weeks of immunosuppression expected (>30 mg prednisone or equivalent/day)

Puzanov et al. JITC 2017







Developmental Immunotherapeutic Strategies for Melanoma



Atkins, Semi. Oncology 2015







Developmental Immunotherapeutic Strategies for Melanoma Targeting New Immune Checkpoints





Ascierto, McArthur J Transl Med 2017







Pilot Study: Radiotherapy (RT) + Intratumoral Immunocytokine (IT-IC) + Ipilimumab + Nivolumab for Advanced Melanoma

A UWCCC Clinical Trial (IND being prepared) with collaboration from Apeiron, NMS and NCI

- Goals:
 - First in human Phase-1 testing of IT-IC with an IC that can bind to tumor and mediate ADCC
 - First in human IT-IC of such an IC immunologically timed after local RT
 - First in human testing of this in combination with anti-CTLA4 and/or anti-PD1
 - Toxicity/Tolerance/Anti-tumor effects
 - Serial biopsies of the same lesions, to look for the changes seen in murine tumors

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Developmental Immunotherapeutic Strategies for Melanoma Cytokine-based Strategies



Lee, Margolin Cancers 2011 Rochman et al. Nat Rev Immunol 2009









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POSITION ARTICLE AND GUIDELINES



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An update on the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer consensus statement on tumor immunotherapy for the treatment of cutaneous melanoma: version 2.0

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Case Study 1

 56 yo male developed abdominal pain in summer of 2013. Previous history of a 5.5 mm, ulcerated melanoma on the thigh treated with wide excision and negative SLN biopsy in 2007. Symptoms were progressive and subsequent imaging demonstrated findings concerning for metastatic disease with lung, intraabdominal and retroperitoneal disease. Biopsy of a lung lesion was pathologically consistent with metastatic melanoma. Tumor was wild type for BRAF.





Case Study 1: Initial imaging

PET/CT Oct 2013



CT Nov 2013







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Case Study 1

- He was started on a clinical trial of ipilimumab/nivolumab in Nov. 2013. He received 4 infusions and presented to ED with progressive N/V for one week. Found to have elevated LFTs (>15x ULN) and ARF. Started on high dose steroids with rapid improvement in symptoms and lab values. Follow up scans in Jan 2014 demonstrated a 90% reduction in tumor burden.
- Steroids tapered but had new and persistent elevation of blood glucose levels and was subsequently diagnosed with insulin-dependent diabetes.
- Received no further treatment since Dec 2013.





CT Nov 2013



CT Nov 2017









Case study 2

 76 yo recently retired male in good health who had witnessed seizure in 3/17. MRI of the brain demonstrated seven CNS lesions consistent with metastatic disease. CT of body demonstrated two lung nodules. Underwent craniotomy with resection of the two larger masses that were pathologically consistent with metastatic melanoma.







Case study 2

• Question 1: How would recommend treating the additional CNS disease?

• Question 2: What would you recommend for systemic therapy? Do you wait for BRAF results before starting therapy?







Case study 2

• He was weaned off steroids and started on single-agent pembrolizumab in 4/17. He has had an excellent radiographic response and has tolerated well with vitiligo as the main toxicity.

April 2017



Oct 2018









Case study 2

• Question 3: How long do you treat with PD1 antibody in this patient?



