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Immunotherapy for the Treatment of Genitourinary Malignancies

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Immunotherapy for Metastatic Kidney Cancer (Renal Cell Carcinoma; RCC)





History of Immunotherapy in mRCC



Resurgence of interest in immunotherapy



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FDA-approved Immunotherapies for mRCC

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
High dose Interleukin-2	1992	Metastatic RCC	600,000 International Units/kg (0.037 mg/kg) IV q8hr infused over 15 minutes for a maximum 14 doses, THEN 9 days of rest, followed by a maximum of 14 more doses (1 course)
Interferon-a + bevacizumab	2009	Clear cell RCC	IFN 9 MIU s.c. three times a week + bev 10 mg/kg Q2W
Nivolumab	2015	Clear cell RCC refractory to prior VEGF targeted therapy	3mg/kg or 240mg IV Q2W or 480mg IV Q4W
Nivolumab +ipilimumab	2018	Clear cell RCC, treatment naïve	3mg/kg nivo plus 1mg/kg ipi Q3W x 4 doses then nivo maintenance at flat dosing
Pembrolizumab + axitinib	2019	Advanced RCC, Treatment naïve	200 mg pembro Q3W + 5 mg axitinib twice daily
Avelumab + axitinib	2019	Advanced RCC, Treatment naïve	800 mg avelumab Q2W + 5 mg axitinib twice daily





High Dose IL-2 in mRCC

- 20 year analysis of 259 patients
- ORR = 20%
 - 9% CR (n = 23)
 - 12% PR (n = 30)
- Median duration of response = 15.5 months
- Median OS = 19 months







Second-Line Nivolumab in mRCC

- CheckMate 025 Phase III trial
- Metastatic, clear-cell disease
- One or two previous antiangiogenic treatments
- Nivolumab (3 mg/kg IV Q2W) vs everolimus (10 mg daily)





Second-Line Nivolumab in mRCC PD-L1 subgroups

<u>PD-L1 ≥ 1%</u>



<u>PD-L1 < 1%</u>





First-line Nivolumab + Ipilimumab in mRCC



Nivolumab = anti-PD-1 antibody Ipilimumab = anti-CTLA-4 antibody IMDC = International Metastatic RCC Database Consortium



First-line Nivolumab + Ipilimumab in mRCC by IMDC Risk: overall survival





First-line Pembrolizumab + axitinib in advanced RCC: overall survival

KEYNOTE-426: OS in the ITT Population



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First-line avelumab + axitinib in mRCC: progression-free survival

- Primary Endpoint: PFS and OS in PD-L1+
- Median PFS 13.8 mo vs
 7.2 mo (HR 0.61; 95% Cl, 0.47–0.79)
- ORR: 61.9% vs 29.7
- OS data: immature

JAVELIN 101 : PFS in the PD-L1+ Population







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In Development: First-line atezolizumab + bevacizumab in PD-L1+ mRCC



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In Development: First-line atezolizumab + bevacizumab: molecular signatures



Identification of gene signatures based on association with clinical outcome

- T_{eff}: CD8a, IFNG, PRF1, EOMES, CD274
- Angio: VEGFA, KDR, ESM1, PECAM1, CD34, ANGPTL4



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In Development: First-line atezolizumab + bevacizumab: molecular signatures





Front-line phase 3 trials with immunotherapy agents (efficacy summary)

	CheckMate 214	KEYNOTE-426	JAVELIN 101	IMmotion151
Intervention	Ipilimumab + Nivolumab	Pembrolizumab + Axitinib Avelumab + Axitinib		Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab
Comparator	Sunitinib	Sunitinib Sunitinib		Sunitinib
Primary Endpoint	OS, PFS, ORR in int/poor risk	OS, PFS	PFS, OS in PD-L1+	PFS in PD-L1+; OS
mOS, months	NR vs 37.9 (30 mo min followup)	NR vs NR (median 12.8 mo followup)	Not reported	33.6 vs 34.9 (median 24 mo followup)
PFS, months	9.7 vs 9.7	15.1 vs 11.1	13.8 vs 7.2	11.2 vs 7.7
ORR (ITT), %	41% vs 34%	59.3% vs 35.7%	51.4% vs 25.7%	37% vs 33%
CR rate (ITT)	10.5% vs 1.8%	5.8% vs 1.9%	3.4% vs 1.8%	5% vs 2%

IIT: Intent-to-Treat; PFS: progression-free survival; ORR: overall response rate; OS: overall survival

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Ongoing front-line phase 3 trials with immunotherapy agents for front-line ccRCC

Trial number	Trial Name	Treatment Arm	Comparator Arm	Population Size	Primary End Point
NCT03141177	CheckMate 9ER	Cabozantinib + Nivolumab	Sunitinib	630	PFS
NCT02811861	CLEAR	Lenvatinib + Pembrolizumab or Everolimus	Sunitinib	1050	PFS
NCT03729245	CA045002	NKTR-214 + Nivolumab	Sunitinib	600	ORR, OS
NCT03937219	COSMIC-313	Cabozantinib + Ipilimumab + Nivolumab	Sunitinib	676	PFS
PFS: progression-free survival; ORR: overall response rate; OS: overall survival					





In Development: First-line pembrolizumab monotherapy in mRCC KEYNOTE - 427



	N = 110
Confirmed ORR, % (95% CI)	36.4
CR, %	3 (3)
PR, %	37 (34)
DCR, %	57 (47-67)
DOR, median (range), mo	Not Reported
DOR ≥ 6 mo (responders), %	77



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Immunotherapy for Metastatic Bladder Cancer (Urothelial Carcinoma; UC)

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Approved checkpoint inhibitors for mUC – *cisplatin refractory*

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	2016 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC	1200 mg Q3W
Avelumab	2017	Advanced/metastatic UC	10 mg/kg Q2W
Durvalumab	2017	Advanced/metastatic UC	10 mg/kg Q2W
Nivolumab	2017	Advanced/metastatic UC	240 mg Q2W or 480 mg Q4W
Pembrolizumab	2017 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC	200 mg Q3W





Approved checkpoint inhibitors for mUC – *cisplatin ineligible*

Drug	Approved	Indication	Dose
Atezolizumab	2017 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC (PD-L1 ≥5%)	1200 mg Q3W
Pembrolizumab	2017 (2018)	Advanced/metastatic UC (PD-L1 CPS ≥10)	200 mg Q3W

FDA limits the use of Tecentriq and Keytruda for some urothelial cancer patients

- Locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma and ineligible for cisplatin-based chemo and tumor PD-L1 (CPS ≥ 10, pembro; IC ≥ 5% tumor area, atezo)
- Patients ineligible for any platinum-containing chemotherapy regardless of PD-L1 status



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Tumor Mutational Burden (TMB) May Signal Responses with PD-1 Blockade Atezolizumab in mUC





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In development: Ipilimumab + Nivolumab CheckMate 032

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ORR by Baseline Tumor PD-L1 Expression per Investigator



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The Spectrum of Prostate Cancer







Sipuleucel-T in mCRPC



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Sipuleucel-T in mCRPC

- Post-hoc analysis of Phase 3 trial PROCEED (N = 1902 mCRPC patients)
- African-Americans (AA) = 438; Caucasians (CAU) = 219
- Median OS = 35.2 (AA) vs 29.9 mo (CAU); HR 0.81, 95% CI 0.68–0.97; p = 0.03.
- AA race was independently associated with prolonged OS on multivariate analysis (HR 0.60, 95% CI 0.48–0.74; p < 0.001)





Limited efficacy of Checkpoint Inhibitors in mCRPC

Cohort 1 (PD-L1+)

No FDA-approved CIs for mCRPC



- Pembrolizumab is approved for all Microsatellite Instability-High (MSI-H) solid tumors
- MSI-H incidence is low in PC
 - Localized PC ~2%
 - Autopsy series of mCRPC ~12%
- MSI testing may offer pembrolizumab as an option

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In development: nivolumab + ipilimumab in mCRPC

- Checkmate 650
- Nivo 1 mg/kg + Ipi 3 mg/kg Q3W for 4 doses, then Nivo 480 mg Q4W
- Progressed after 2nd-gen hormonal: 26% response @ 11.9 mo, 2 CR
- Progressed after chemo+hormonal: 10% response @ 13.5 mo, 2 CR
- Higher ORR in:
 - PD-L1 > 1%
 - DNA damage repair deficient
 - homologous recombination deficiency
 - high tumor mutational burden



Future Combinations in mCRPC to Engage Immune System

- Hormonal therapy
- Radiation
- Radium-223
- PARP inhibitors
- Chemotherapy
- New targets





irAEs with Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in GU Cancers - Meta-analysis of 8 studies

Similar
incidence
overall

Adverse event	Incidence, any grade (GU only trials) (%)	Incidence, grades 3– 5 (GU only trials) (%)	Incidence any grade (non-GU clinical trials) (%)	Incidence, grades 3– 5 (non-GU clinical trials) (%)
Hypothyroid/ thyroiditis	0.8–9	0–0.6	3.9–12	0–0.1
Diabetes/DKA	0–1.5	0–0.7	0.8–0.8	0.4–0.7
LFT changes/ hepatitis	1.5–5.4	1–3.8	0.3–3.4	0.3–2.7
Pneumonitis	2–4.4	0–2	1.8–3.5	0.25–1.9
Encephalitis	NR	NR	0.2–0.8	0.0–0.2
Colitis/diarrhea	1–10	1–10	2.4–4.1	1.0–2.5
Hypophysitis	0–0.5	0–0.2	0.2–0.9	0.2–0.4
Renal Dysfunction/ nephritis	0.3–1.6	0–1.6	0.3–4.9	0.0–0.5
Myositis	0.8–5	0–0.8	NR	NR







Conclusions

- The role of immunotherapy in GU malignancies is increasing
- In RCC, many front-line checkpoint inhibitor options are approved
- Multiple checkpoint inhibitors approved for advanced/metastatic urothelial carcinoma
- Low immune engagement in prostate cancer has limited the application of immunotherapy in this disease





Additional Resources



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Case Studies







A 56 yo male was recently referred to you for stage IV RCC (to lung, lymph nodes and adrenal) and has favorable risk per IMDC. What is the best treatment option?

- 1. Ipilimumab plus nivolumab
- 2. Sunitinib
- 3. High dose IL-2
- 4. Axitinib plus pembrolizumab
- 5. 2 and 4







A 68 yo female patient has a history of stage IV bladder cancer. She was found to have progressive disease after 1st line platinum. Her tumor is negative for FGFR2/3 amplification. Her performance status is ECOG1. What is the next best step?

- 1. Cisplatin rechallenge
- 2. Erdafitinib
- 3. Hospice care
- 4. Switch to Pembrolizumab

