







## Excess Estrogen Exposure

Nulliparity or late pregnancy	+
Early menarche	+
Late menopause	+
Cystic ovarian disease	+
External estrogens exposure	+









### **Excess Estrogen Exposure**

Alcohol use	+
Pytoestrogens	?
Smoking	? No
Abortion	No
BCPs	No
Infertility treatment	?
Night work	+ (? Melatonin)









# **Breast Cancer Etiology**

- Diet issues
- Disease of western cultures
- Studies are not all consistent
- Current obesity epidemic
- Recent reports of earlier menarche









# **Breast Cancer Etiology**

- Pregnancy 7% reduction for each
- Breast feeding 4% reduction for 12 months
- Exercise protective to a degree

Single Greatest Risk Factor









- Biggest Risk Factor
  - American women with breasts









Types by pathology	
Invasive ductal	70%
Invasive lobular	5-10%
Ductal carcinoma (non-invasive) in situ	20%
Lobular carcinoma (non-invasive) in situ	<5%









- Types by Pathology
  - Inflammatory
    - Rapid growth in dermis of skin
    - Curable with aggressive multimodality treatment
  - Paget's Disease
    - In situ malignancy of the nipple
    - Can have underlying disease also









- Grading System
  - Based on how malignant cells appear
  - Size of cells and nucleus
  - Number of cell dividing
  - Other visual characteristics

Helpful 100 years old Subjective to a degree









# **Grading System**

Grade 1	Slow, good prognosis
Grade 3	Fast, worst prognosis
Grade 2	In between









#### **TNM Staging System**

#### T – Size of Tumor

 $T_1 - < 2 \text{ cm}$ 

T<sub>2</sub> - 2-5 cm

 $T_3 - > 5 \text{ cm}$ 

T<sub>4</sub> - Advanced changes

#### N – Status of Lymph Node

 $N_0$ 

 $N_1$ 

 $N_2$ 

#### M – Status of Metastases

M<sub>0</sub> – No distant disease

M<sub>1</sub> – Distant disease

Helpful but 100 years old.









### **Biologic Characteristics**

Estrogen receptor + good

Progesterone receptor + good

Her-2 status + bad









- Grade  $1 T_{1A} N_0 M_0$  ER+, PR+, her2- = 95% cure
- Grade 3  $T_4N_2$  ER-, PR-, her2- = 20% cure









- Types of Biology
  - ER+, PR+, her 2 negative
  - ER+/-, PR+/-, her 2 positive
  - ER-, PR-, her 2 negative
  - Each carry different prognosis









- Onco Type Dx
  - One of several genetic analysis
  - –Specific for ER+ tumors
  - Very helpful in lower risk situations



#### RESULTS

Breast Cancer
Recurrence Score = 26

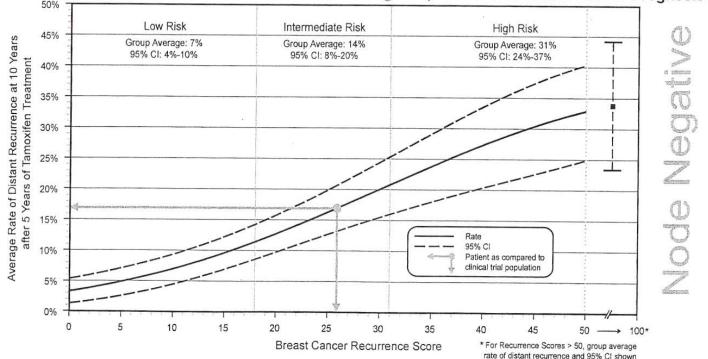
The findings summarized in the Clinical Experience sections of this report are applicable to the patient populations defined in each section. It is unknown whether the findings apply to patients outside these criteria.

#### CLINICAL EXPERIENCE: PROGNOSIS FOR NODE NEGATIVE, ER-POSITIVE PATIENTS

The Clinical Validation study included female patients with Stage I or II, Node Negative, ER-Positive breast cancer treated with 5 years of tamoxifen. Those patients who had a Recurrence Score of 26 had an Average Rate of Distant Recurrence of 17% (95% CI: 13%-21%)

The following results are from a clinical validation study of 668 patients from the NSABP B-14 study. N Engl J Med 2004; 351: 2817-26.

Recurrence Score vs Distant Recurrence in Node Negative, ER-Positive Breast Cancer Prognosis









- BRCA 1 & 2 gene mutations
  - Most common cause of inherited breast cancer up to 85% penetrance
  - Earlier age onset 20% < 40, 50% < 50</li>
  - Higher incidence of bilateral breast cancer
  - High rate in Ashkenazi Jewish descendants
  - Debate concerning prognosis









- BRCA 1 & 2 mutations
  - Loss of suppressor oncoprotein
  - Treatment generally the save vs. sporadic cancer
  - Testing of DNA available and expensive









- BRCA 1
  - Younger than BCRA-2 or in general
  - 40%-60% development of ovarian cancer
  - 2-3 fold risk for other cancers
  - Male breast and prostate association









# **Breast Cancer Screening**

- Exam
- Self exam
- Mammogram
- Ultrasound
- MRI
- Needle biopsy









- Surgical Treatment
  - Lumpectomy equals mastectomy (in most circumstances)
  - Complete resection necessary
  - Post lumpectomy radiation usually
  - Local control vs. cure









- Surgical Treatment
  - Nodes now sentinel sampled
  - Only positive sentinel nodes need more surgery
  - ? Benefit of removing positive nodes
  - Role of surgery in stage 4 disease









- Radiation therapy
  - After lumpectomy usually
  - After mastectomy >5 cm or 3 N+
  - After mastectomy for earlier stage?









- Neoadjuvant and Adjuvant treatment
  - Neoadjuvant treats tumor before surgery
  - Adjuvant treats after local therapy
  - Each can be chemo, antiestrogens or both
  - Adjuvant attempting to kill cells already spread
  - Can reduce risk by 5-20%
  - Choice of treatment based on risk









#### **Breast Cancer Treatment**

- Metastatic disease
  - Treatable, not curable
  - Anti-estrogen therapy if ER+
  - Chemotherapy if ER- or after failure









- ER+ disease
  - Tamoxifen blocks estrogen entry
  - Aromatase inhibitor block adrenal production
    - Arimidex, Femara, Aromasin
  - Foslodex blocks estrogen
  - Progesterone does something?
  - Estrogen can work after above treatments
  - At times years of benefit or none









#### **Treatment Metastatic Breast Cancer**

- ER+ (40-80%) (Luminal A&B)
- □ Antiestrogen therapies 5
- Chemotherapy 10
- □ HER2+ (20%) increased growth factor receptors
  - Trastuzumab (herceptin), lapatinib (tykerb) with chemotherapy
  - Herceptin and lapatinib with antiestrogens
- Triple negative (20%)
  - Chemotherapy only
  - PARP inhibitors









#### Treatment Metastatic Breast Cancer – ER+

- Favorable response rate
  - ER+ strongly, PR+ strongly
  - Long disease-free interval
  - Bone only involvement
- Drugs
  - Tamoxifen
  - Aromatase inhibitors (Femara, Arimidex, Aromasin)
  - Fulvestrant (Faslodex)
  - Progesterone (Megace)
  - Estrogen (DES)









#### **Treatment Metastatic Breast Cancer**

### Chemotherapy

- Multiple drugs available
- No regimen is curative
- Two together better response rate
- Two together more toxicities
- All work by inhibiting cell division
- None exclusively attack breast cancer cells









#### **Treatment Metastatic Breast Cancer**

HER2+ (3+ IHC, FISH amplified)

- Herceptin + chemotherapy
  - Increased response rates 20% more
  - Increased disease free interval 3-5 months
  - Increased survival 3-5 months
- Established role in first line therapy
- Use in additional lines of therapy under study
- Adds minimal toxicities
- Adds substantial cost









# Transtuzumab (Herceptin)

- Monoclonal antibody
- Inhibits HER2, a growth factor receptor
- Few side effects except cardiac
- Can cause congestive heart failure
- Not used with anthocyclines
- Very expensive









# Lapatinib (Tykerb)

- Inhibits HER1/2 & EGFR receptors
- Can work in herceptin failures
- Can be synergistic with herceptin
- Can be synergistic with chemotherapy
- May reduce brain metastasis
- Currently approved with xeloda in 2<sup>nd</sup> line Rx
- Can be given orally









# **Triple Negative Breast Cancer**

ER-, PR-, HER2-

- Molecular profile similar to BRCA disease
- Loss of ability to repair DNA damage
- PARP-1 is a DNA binding protein involved in repair
- PAPP-1 inhibitors are synergistic with chemo
- Not yet clinically approved (? Soon)









#### **Treatment Metastatic Breast Cancer**

#### Chemotherapy Bevacizumab (Avastin)

- Monoclonal antibody
- Binds and inhibits vascular endothelial growth factor receptor
- Limits blood flow to the tumor
- Synergistic with chemotherapy
- Little action on its own
- Standard care of colon & lung cancer









### **Treatment Metastatic Breast Cancer**

#### Chemotherapy – Bevacizumab

- Approved with chemotherapy 2008
- Increased response rates and disease free survival
- Additional studies now question its value
- Decision by FDA Sept 2010
- Toxicities can be severe/fatal
- Usually fairly well tolerated

