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IDH1: better to discriminate high-grade glioma than WHO grade?

Hartmann et al., 2010
Strong **prognostic** impact of IDH mutations for RT and chemotherapy

**Prognostic** impact of MGMT for RT or chemotherapy in patients with IDH-mutated tumors

**Predictive** role for MGMT for chemotherapy in patients with IDH-wt tumors
Prolonged survival with (neo-) adjuvant PCV chemotherapy


Cairncross for RTOG, Proc ASCO 2012, abstr # 2008b; J Clin Oncol 2006;24:2707-14
1p/19q codeletion is a **predictive** biomarker in oligodendroglial tumors

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van den Bent et al. ASCO 2012, abstract 2000; Cairncross et al. ASCO 2012, abstract 2010b
MGMT is a **predictive** biomarker in glioblastoma of the elderly

Wick et al. Lancet Oncol 2012
MGMT is a predictive biomarker in glioblastoma

Malmström et al. Lancet Oncol 2012
A practical approach to biomarker testing

**Anaplastic glioma**
- 1p/19q co-deletion
  - yes: RT/PCV
    - IDH mut: RT or TMZ/PCV
    - IDH wt: MGMT meth
      - TMZ/PCV
      - MGMT unmeth: RT
  - no: CATNON

**Glioblastoma**
- > 65/70 years
  - yes: EORTC/NCIC
    - MGMT meth: TMZ (+RT)
    - MGMT unmeth: RT
  - no: RT/TMZ

**IDH**
- mut
  - RT or TMZ/PCV
- wt
  - MGMT meth
    - TMZ/PCV
    - MGMT unmeth: RT

**MGMT**
- meth
  - MGMT meth
  - MGMT unmeth: RT
- unmeth
  - TMZ (+RT)
  - RT
### Anaplastic glioma: what are the next questions?

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<td>Is radiotherapy necessary in 1p/19q co-deleted tumors?</td>
<td>NOA-04 might help to answer that question in some time from now</td>
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<td>What does the next trial look like?</td>
<td>Is TMZ able to replace PCV in the EORTC/RTOG regimens?</td>
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<td>What is the biology behind the 1p/19q co-deletion?</td>
<td>CIC, FUBP1, PRDX?</td>
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<td>Does the 1p/19q status have a relevance beyond the WHO° III?</td>
<td>Maybe. RTOG 9802 might tell us in some years from now.</td>
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<td>The difficulties in grading in EORTC 26951 may point towards that notion.</td>
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## Glioblastoma in the elderly: what are the next questions?

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<td>Can and should we use MGMT testing in the elderly?</td>
<td>NOA-08 and the Nordic Trial independently call for that.</td>
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<td>Who is called elderly?</td>
<td>Further work on the biology of these tumors might tell us in the near future better than the passport.</td>
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<td>What is the standard for MGMT meth patients?</td>
<td>RT or RT/TMZ? Will there be a trial to solve that question?</td>
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<td>What are the next steps to improve survival?</td>
<td>Intensifying treatment separately for MGMT meth and unmeth patients.</td>
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Medulloblastoma: a paradigmatic disease for molecular neurooncology

- So far, the molecular classifiers have not translated into clinical trials
- Although the data and tools allow stratification and in some instances prediction of rational drug targets
- Analysis of primary and secondary resistance
  - To be tested now and applied in the upcoming trials, e.g. SHH inhibition

- Incidence of “sporadic” tumor syndroms may be more common than anticipated, which should lead to closer surveillance and diagnostics in relatives, e.g. of patients with SHH-medulloblastoma
  - Other pediatric tumors may also have an underlying hereditary basis
Genome-wide siRNA-screen for proteins involved in bundelling of extra centrosomes

Identification of therapeutic targets for 82 proteins identified to inhibit spindel multipolarity and induce cell death selectively in tumor cells (Science Translational Medicine 2010).

Tumor xenografts in mice

Griseofulvin analogues kill tumor cells with extra centrosomes in vivo
Best approach to brain metastases

- Regard them as one (important) feature of the diseases

Prevention → Combat

At which stage?
- → as early as possible

Which entity?
- → nsNSCLC
- → Biomarker-driven

Which endpoints?
- → QoL
- → OS

Which treatment?

- New compounds
- New RT-strategies (e.g. EORTC trial)
Different growth patterns

Melanoma – cooptic growth

melanoma
(melanin: brown)
Different growth patterns

NSCLC – angiogenic growth

NSCLC - histology
Brain metastases in nsNSCLS: proposal for a trial

- Stage III tumors
- Standard of care
- Randomized to bevacizumab at 5 mg/kg q 3 weeks for 2 years
- Endpoint: OS and time to formation of brain mets