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Metastatic colorectal cancer: Clinical Case Presentation

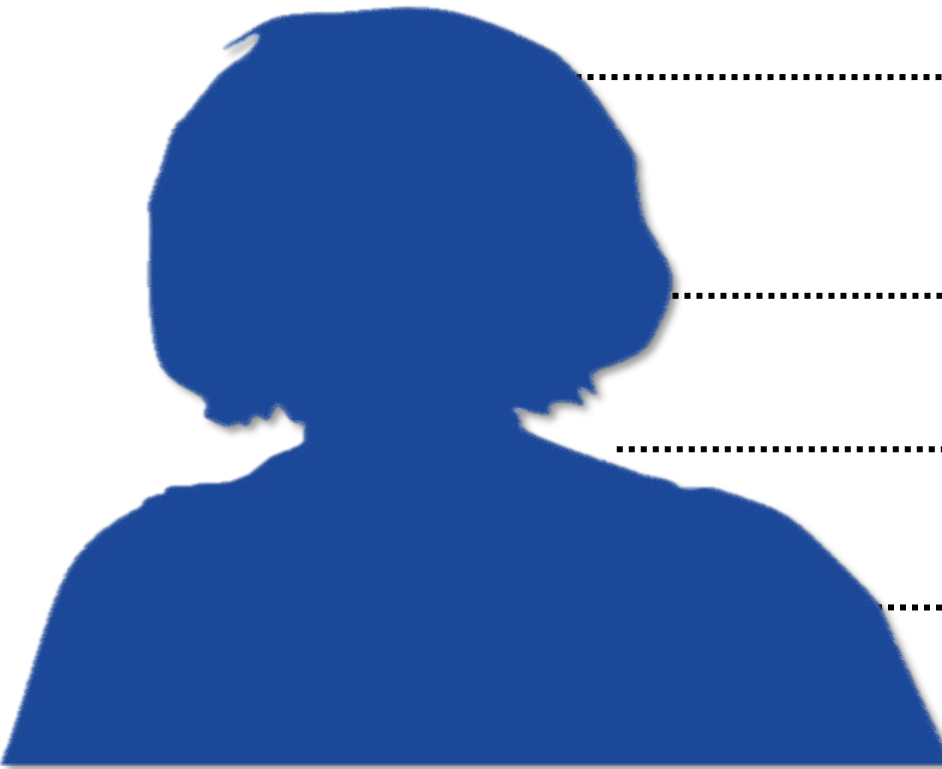
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Patient profile and presentation



Patient details

- 68-year-old woman
- Teacher
- Single
- Enjoys hiking

Patient presented with

- Constipation and weight loss
- ECOG PS 0

Colonoscopy/biopsy

- Adenocarcinoma in descending colon

Laboratory tests

- CEA: 68 ng/mL

CT scans

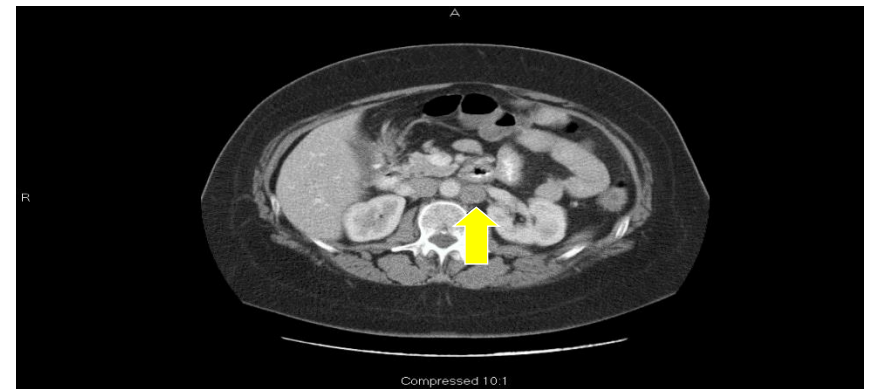
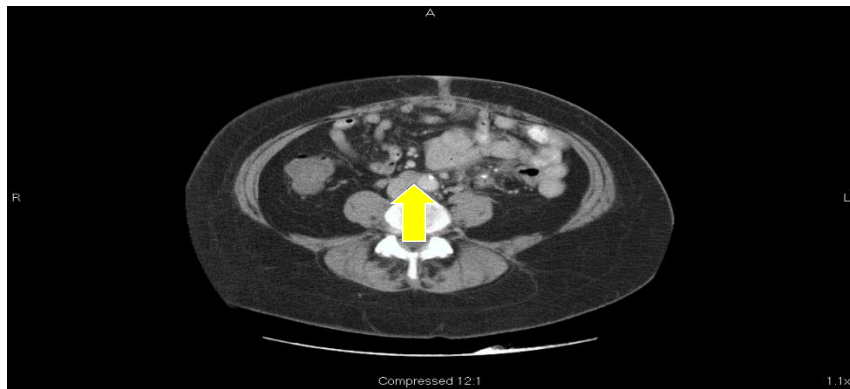
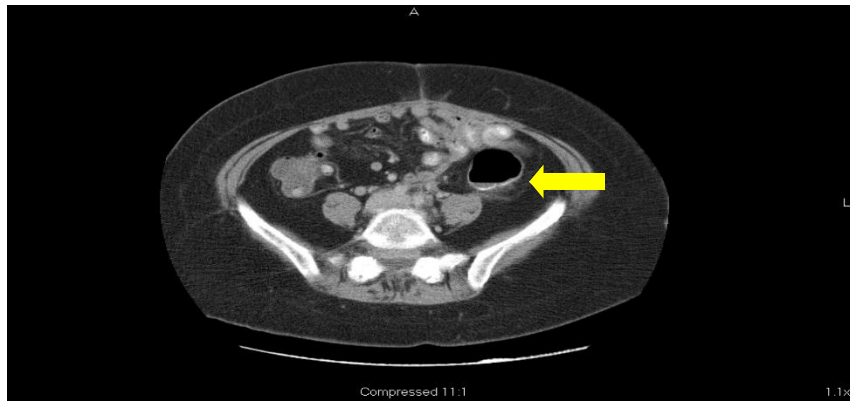
- No distant metastases



Initial management: Surgical procedure

- Left-sided hemicolectomy
- Pathology:
 - pT3 N1 M0 R0 G3
 - 3 of 15 lymph nodes positive
 - KRAS (exon 2) wild type
- Post-operative CEA: 15 ng/ml
- Adjuvant therapy refused by her (toxicity concerns)

At 6 month follow-up visit: CT scan



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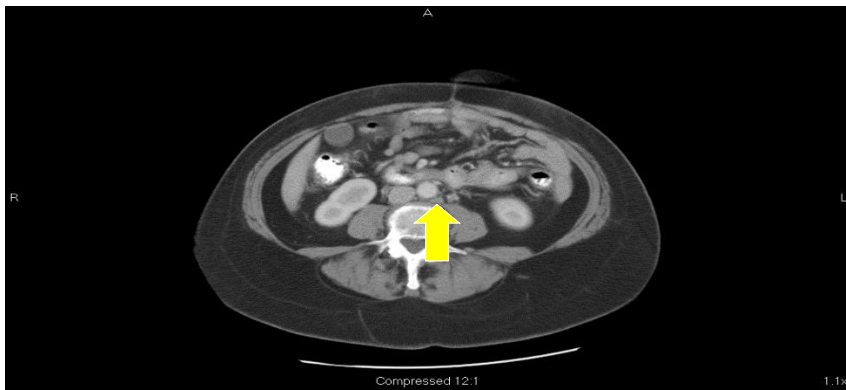
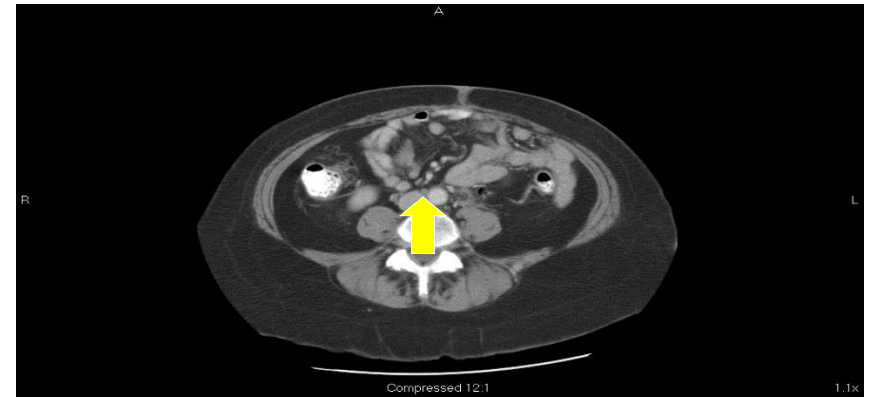
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- Discussion with the patient on decision making
 - „too aggressive“ disease for monotherapy
 - wanted to avoid symptomatic toxicity
 - upfront consideration of de-escalation
- after 2 mos.: CEA decreased
- after 4.5 mos.: Asthenia, neuropathy CTC 2°

At 4 mos.: Follow-up visit CT scan



- “minor response” (= “stable disease” according to RECIST)
- no tumour-related symptoms, mild neuropathy
- CEA now normalized

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- So far: 4 mos. FOLFOX/Bev → 9 mos. Cape/Bev
 - well tolerated
 - discontinued for 4 weeks for holiday (cruise)
- Now:
 - CEA increases, lymph nodes with progressive disease
 - clinically excellent, neuropathy recovered

Q4: What would be your preferred management here?

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- Now:
 - (Few) ascites, CEA increases again
 - Some fatigue
 - ECOG PS 1

Q5: What would be your preferred management now?

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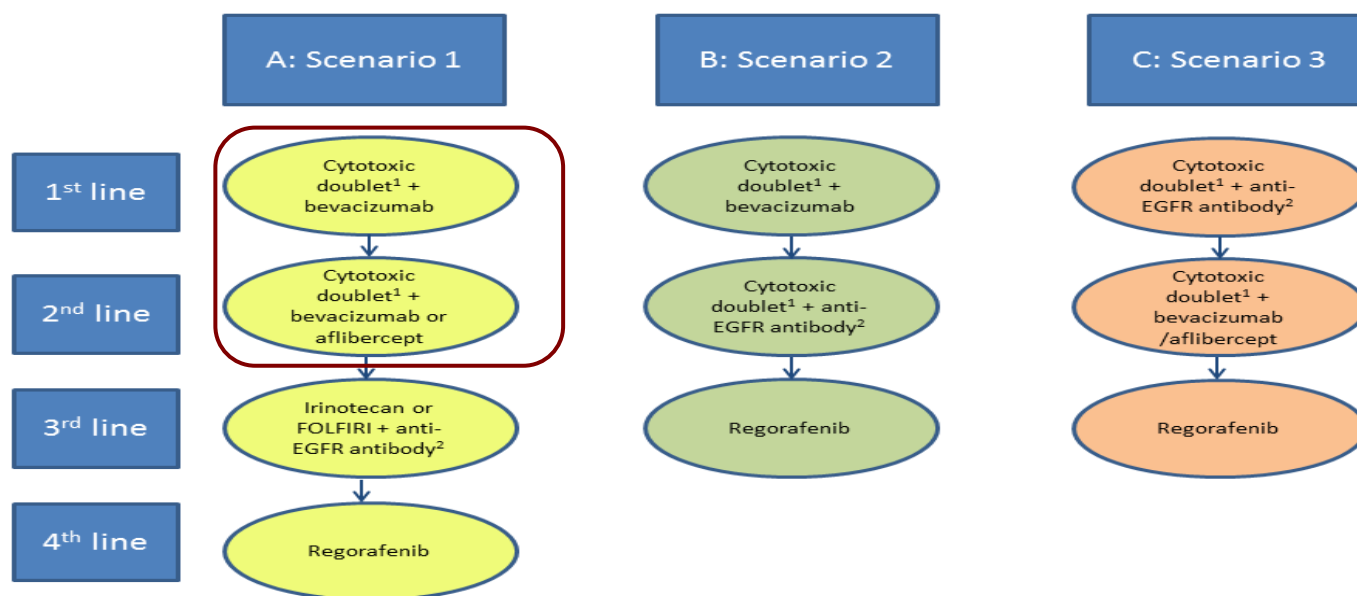
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Treatment “lines”: Scenarios

Figure 1. Strategic scenarios in the continuum of care of metastatic CRC



¹cytotoxic doublets: fluoropyrimidine + oxaliplatin or irinotecan; ²RAS wild type

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