

# Consensus or Controversy?

## Clinical Investigators Provide Perspectives on the Current and Future Application of Immune Checkpoint Inhibition in the Management of Metastatic Lung Cancer

### CME Information

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

This program is intended for medical oncologists, hematology-oncology fellows and other allied healthcare professionals involved in the treatment of lung cancer.

#### OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY

The past several years have seen an explosion in the emergence of new therapies that leverage the natural ability of the human body to attack and treat cancer. Known as immune-mediated therapies or cancer immunotherapies, these promising treatments are taking center stage at medical conferences and generating excitement all over the world. Perhaps the most exciting arena in this regard has been the development and assessment of a class of checkpoint inhibitors that inhibit PD-1 or PD-L1. To date, studies with these agents, alone and in combination with other agents, have demonstrated a high degree of activity with manageable toxicity. The availability of these novel compounds has rapidly upended traditional therapeutic sequencing and caused both shifts and rifts in clinical management algorithms, and a number of controversies and questions remain with regard to the current application of these agents in clinical practice.

These video proceedings from a CME symposium held during the 2018 SITC Annual Meeting feature discussions with leading researchers with an expertise in lung cancer. By providing information on the latest research developments and their potential application to routine practice, this activity is designed to assist medical oncologists, hematology-oncology fellows and other healthcare professionals with the optimal incorporation of immune checkpoint inhibitors in metastatic lung cancer.

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Review research data documenting the safety and efficacy of anti-PD-1/PD-L1 antibodies as monotherapy or in combination with chemotherapy for newly diagnosed metastatic nonsquamous non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), and use this information to guide up-front decision-making for these individuals.
- Appraise recent Phase III data describing the activity and safety of combining an anti-PD-L1 antibody, anti-angiogenic therapy and chemotherapy for patients with newly diagnosed metastatic nonsquamous NSCLC, and

determine the potential utility of this approach in clinical practice.

- Describe available research data documenting the efficacy and safety associated with the use of an anti-PD-1/PD-L1 antibody in combination with platinum-based chemotherapy for patients with newly diagnosed metastatic squamous NSCLC, and evaluate the potential clinical and research implications of these findings.
- Understand the biologic rationale for and published research data with the use of combinations targeting multiple immune checkpoints, and, where applicable, refer patients for ongoing trials or other related expanded access programs.
- Consider emerging research data and available guideline recommendations informing the use of immune checkpoint inhibitors for patients with small cell lung cancer (SCLC).
- Recall the design of ongoing clinical trials evaluating anti-PD-1/PD-L1 antibodies alone or in combination with other systemic therapies for NSCLC and SCLC, and counsel appropriate patients about availability and participation.

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Adobe Acrobat Reader  
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## Select Publications

- A multinational, multicenter, phase III, randomized open-label trial of pembrolizumab versus docetaxel in previously treated subjects with non-small cell lung cancer.** NCT02864394
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