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Summary of Guidelines Updated Changes (2022)

- Slide 56-57: add” Adjuvant S-1 (TS-1) for hormone receptor-positive and HER2 negative moderate/high–risk primary breast cancer-1 and -2”
- Slide 72: add”Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd)(self-pay) for HER2 IHC 1+ or 2+/ISH negative.”
- Slide 74: add” Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) (self-pay)(preferred second line)”
- Slide 82-83 、85-89”: update Radiothreapy.

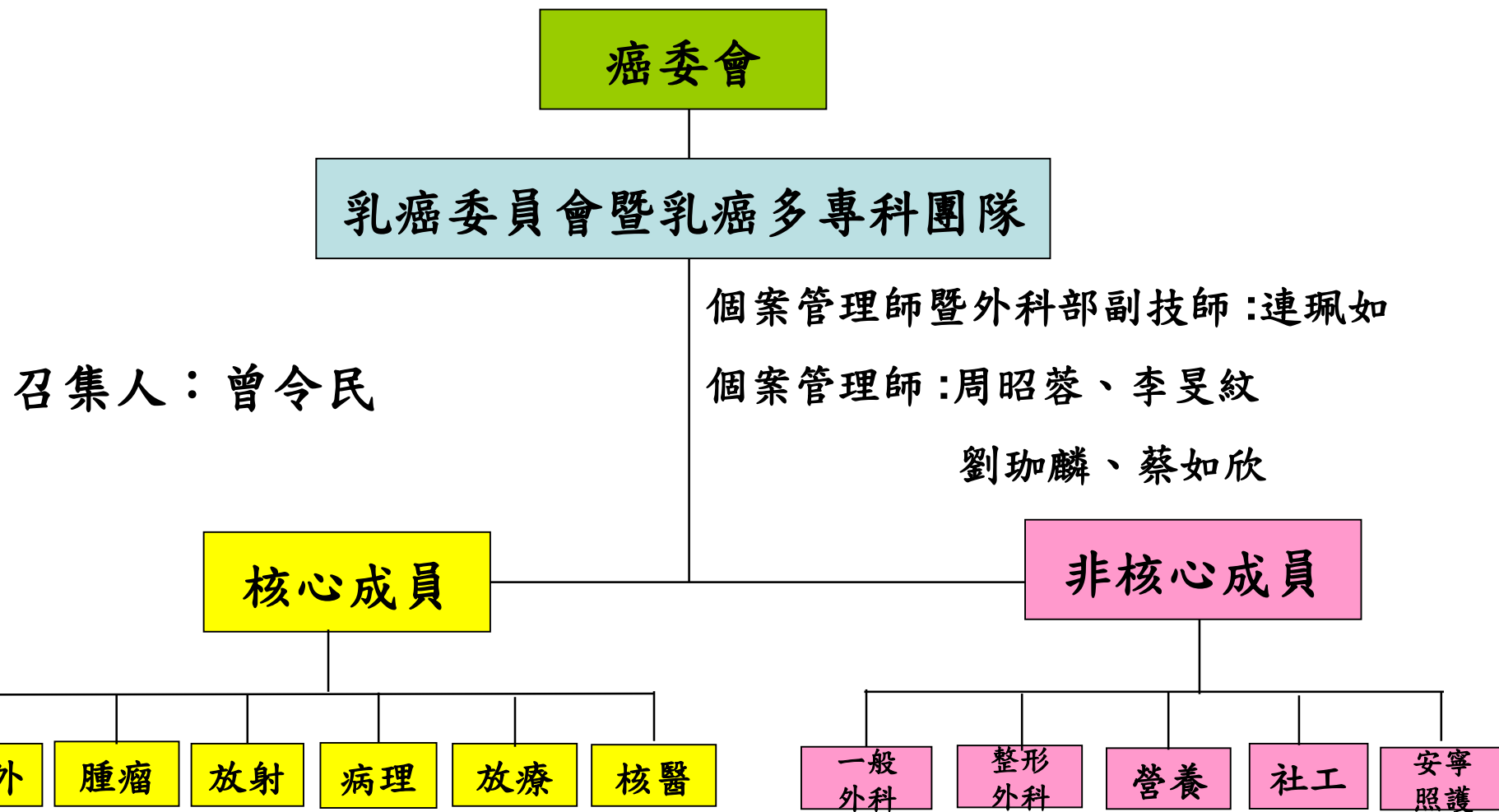
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Multidisciplinary Team

- **Surgical Oncology specialized in Breast Cancer**
- **Medical Oncology**
- **Radiation Oncology**
- **Pathology**
- **Diagnostic Radiology**
- **Specialized Nursing Care**
- **Social Workers**
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Pathology

HISTOPATHOLOGIC TYPE

The histopathologic types are the following:

- **In situ Carcinomas**

- Ductal carcinoma in situ

- Lobular carcinoma in situ

- Paget's disease

- **Invasive carcinomas**

- Ductal

- (Invasive breast carcinoma of no special type)

- Lobular

- Mucinous

- Tubular

- Cribriform

- Carcinoma with apocrine differentiation

- Papillary

- Micropapillary

- Metaplastic

- Adenoid cystic

- Secretory

- Inflammatory

Noninvasive carcinoma (WHO 2019)

- **Ductal carcinoma in situ**
- **Lobular carcinoma in situ**
- **Paget disease without invasive carcinoma**

Invasive carcinoma (WHO 2019)

- **Invasive ductal carcinoma (Invasive breast carcinoma of no special type)**
- **Invasive lobular**
- **Mucinous**
- **Tubular**
- **Cribriform**
- **Carcinoma with apocrine differentiation**
- **Metaplastic**
- **Others (Adenoid cystic, Secretory, Micropapillary, Mucinous cystadenocarcinoma.....)**

Mixed type carcinoma (WHO 2019)

A mixture of invasive breast carcinoma-no special type (IBC-NST) and a special subtype

- Special type (10-90%)
 - Mixed IBC-NST and special subtype carcinoma
- Special subtype < 10%
 - IBC-NST
- Special subtype > 90%
 - Special subtype

Lymphovascular invasion

(Rosen, Cancer, 1983; 18:215-32)

- Lymphovascular invasion (LVI) must be diagnosed outside the border of the invasive carcinoma. (most within 0.1 cm of the edge)
- Tumor emboli usually do not conform exactly to the contours of the space in which they are found. (retraction artifact of ca have exactly same shape)
- Endothelial cell nuclei should be seen in the cells lining the space
- Lymphatics are often found adjacent to blood vessels and often partially encircle a blood vessel.
- LVI may be seen in stroma between uninvolved lobules and can sometimes be mistaken for DCIS

Extensive intraductal carcinoma (component) (EIC)

- Invasive Ca with $\geq 25\%$ DCIS component in it and DCIS present outside the invasive Ca
- Ca that are primarily intraductal with small foci of invasion (~ 10 mm or less)
- EIC is associated with an increased risk of local recurrence when the surgical margins are not evaluated or focally involved

Ductal carcinoma in situ

(Consensus conference on classification of DCIS, Hum Pathol. 1997 Nov)

- **Nuclear grade**
 1. monotonous, 1.5-2× RBC, dispersed chromatin, only occasional nucleoli
 2. not 1, 3
 3. marked pleomorphic nuclei, > 2.5 × RBC, coarse chromatin, prominent or multiple nucleoli
- **Necrosis**
- **Architectural pattern**
 - Comedo, Cribriform, Papillary, Micropapillary, Solid

Lobular carcinoma in situ (LCIS)

- Classic/typical LCIS Need not quantified the size
- Classic/typical LCIS Need not evaluation of margin (often multifocal and bilateral)
- but with high-grade nuclei and/or necrosis, size and margin are needed (clinicians may choose to treat such cases as DCIS).

Lobular neoplasia (LN) (WHO 2019)

- **Atypical lobular hyperplasia (ALH)**
 <1/2 involvement by the characteristic cells
- **Classic lobular carcinoma in situ (LCIS)**
 Dyscohesive cells filling and expanding >1/2 of the acini in a terminal duct lobular unit.
- **Variants of LCIS**
 high grade nuclei (pleomorphic LCIS)
 confluent mass-like architecture (florid LCIS)
- **E-cadherin (-)**

Invasive lobular carcinoma (WHO 2019)

Noncohesive cells individually dispersed or arranged in a single-file linear pattern in a fibrous stroma

- **classic pattern**
 - Small cells, lack cohesion, individually dispersed in fibrous tissue or arranged in single file linear cords
- **variants**
 - Solid pattern
 - small cells grow in sheets, higher frequency of mitoses
 - Alveolar pattern
 - globular aggregates of at least 20 cells
 - Pleomorphic pattern
 - Marked pleomorphism, > 4× lymphocytes and a higher mitotic count may apocrine or histiocytoid differentiation and have signet ring cells
 - Tubulolobular pattern
 - mixed tubular and lobular growth pattern

Mucinous carcinoma (MC) (WHO 2019)

- **Tumor clusters suspended in pools of extracellular mucin partitioned by delicate fibrous septa containing capillary blood vessels**
- **low to intermediate nuclear grade**
- **Pure MC requires a mucinous component of > 90%**
 - mixed MC has 10–90%
 - A mucinous component of < 10% should be mentioned
- **MC with micropapillary pattern**
 - younger age, more lymph node metastasis

Carcinoma with apocrine differentiation (WHO 2019)

- **cytological features of apocrine differentiation**
 - prominent nucleoli, marked or moderate atypia
 - Abundant eosinophilic, granular, or foamy cytoplasm
 - Apocrine morphology may in some special subtypes of carcinomas
- **Usually GCDFP-15 (+), androgen receptor (+)**
- **Usually ER (–) and PR(–)**

Tubular Carcinoma (WHO 2019)

- **A low grade breast carcinoma**
- **>90% well differentiated angular tubular structures**
- **open lumina lined by a single layer of cells**
- **Basement membrane absent**
- **Myoepithelial cells absent**
- **ER-positive and HER2-negative**
- **favorable prognosis**

Cribriform carcinoma (WHO 2019)

- **> 90% invasive cribriform pattern**
- **low-grade nuclei and sparse mitosis (grade 1)**
- **ER-positive and HER2-negative**
- **Good prognosis**

Neuroendocrine neoplasms (MENs) (WHO 2019)

- if neuroendocrine histological features and neuroendocrine marker expression are not distinct or uniform enough to classify the tumour as a NEN
 - Invasive breast carcinoma with neuroendocrine differentiation
- Mucinous carcinoma, Solid papillary carcinoma may express neuroendocrine markers, and they should not be classified as NET or NEC
- **Neuroendocrine tumor (NET)**
 - an invasive tumour with low/intermediate-grade neuroendocrine morphology
 - diffuse, uniform immunoreactivity for neuroendocrine markers
 - Solid nests and trabeculae of spindle, plasmacytoid, or polygonal cells with granular cytoplasm separated by delicate fibrovascular stroma
 - Ribbons, cords, and rosettes are not necessarily features
 - Using Nottingham grading system, the majority of NETs are G1 or G2.
- **Neuroendocrine carcinoma (NEC)**
 - high-grade neuroendocrine morphology (small cell or large cell)
 - similar to those of small cell NEC and large cell NEC of the lung
 - diffuse, uniform immunoreactivity for neuroendocrine markers

Metaplastic Carcinoma (WHO 2019)

- **An invasive breast cancer with atypical squamous, spindle cell, and/or mesenchymal/matrix-producing differentiation**
- **unequivocal expression of (high-molecular-weight) cytokeratins and/or p63**
- **A heterogeneous group of tumors**
 - Low-grade adenosquamous carcinoma
 - Fibromatosis-like metaplastic carcinoma
 - Spindle cell carcinoma
 - Squamous cell carcinoma
 - Metaplastic carcinoma with heterologous mesenchymal differentiation
 - Mixed metaplastic carcinoma

Estrogen & Progesterone Receptor

(ASCO/CAP Guideline Recommendations **2020**)

Immunohistochemical stain

- **Estrogen receptor (ER)**
 - Positive ($>10\%$)
 - Low positive ($1\%-10\%$)
 - Negative ($<1\%$)
- **Progesterone Receptor (PR)**
 - Positive ($\geq 1\%$)
 - Negative ($<1\%$)

HER-2/Neu

(ASCO/CAP Guideline Recommendations 2018)

- **Immunohistochemical stain (IHC)**

- Negative (0) : No staining, or $\leq 10\%$ incomplete faint staining
- Negative (1+): Incomplete faint membrane staining $>10\%$ tumor
- Equivocal(2+): Weak/moderate complete membrane staining $>10\%$
- Positive (3+): Complete intense membrane staining $>10\%$ tumor
- Indeterminate: technical issues prevent a result;
conditions may include inadequate specimen handling, artifacts that make interpretation difficult or analytic testing failure

- **Her2/neu gene amplification**

- Positive: $\text{Her2/CEP17} \geq 2.0$ and average $\text{Her2} \geq 4.0/\text{cell}$ or
Average $\text{Her2} \geq 6.0/\text{cell}$ and Her2 IHC (2+) .
- Negative: $\text{Her2/CEP17} < 2.0$ and average $\text{Her2} < 4.0/\text{cell}$.
- Other ISH results with Her2 IHC (2+) are Her2 negative.
- Indeterminate: technical issues prevent a result; conditions may include inadequate specimen handling, artifacts that make interpretation difficult or analytic testing failure.

Pretreatment work-ups

- **History and physical exam**
- **CBC (including platelets), PT/APTT**
- **Liver and renal function tests and alkaline phosphatase**
- **Hepatitis B and hepatitis C virus markers.**
- **Chest X-rays**
- **Diagnostic bilateral mammogram, breast ultrasound as necessary**
- **Pathology review if indicated, include:**
 - Estrogen/progesterone receptor (ER/PR) status
 - HER2 status
- **Special studies for patients receiving neoadjuvant chemotherapy or symptom guided studies**
 - Whole body bone scan
 - Chest CT scan

Pretreatment work-ups

- **Patients who will receive anthracyclines and/or anti-HER2 agents:
Radionuclide studies or cardiac echocardiography for ejection fraction of left cardiac ventricle**
- **Optional studies**
 - Tumor markers: CEA, CA-153
 - Abdominal ultrasound
 - Whole body bone scan
 - Breast MRI
 - Cardiac function (cardiac ultrasound and/or ejection fraction + wall motion)
 - PET/CT scan
 - Bone mineral density

Recommended follow-up studies for patients with early breast cancer after initial treatment (except endocrine therapy) (1)

- **Adjustment by doctors' and patients' consideration, risk, and previous studies results, etc.**
- **Clinical OPD visit and physical examination:**
 - First 2-3 years: q3-6 months
 - Following 2-3 years: q6-12 months
 - After 5 years: q6-12 months
- **Patients who receive anthracyclines and/or anti-HER2 agents: Radionuclide studies or cardiac echocardiography for ejection fraction of left cardiac ventricle, q2-q3m, at least to the end of anthracyclines and/or anti-HER2 agents treatment.**

Recommended follow-up studies for patients with early breast cancer after initial treatment (except endocrine therapy) (2)

- **Other optional studies:**
 - CBC (including platelets)
 - Liver and renal function tests and alkaline phosphatase
 - Chest X-rays
 - Diagnostic bilateral mammogram, breast ultrasound
 - Abdominal ultrasound
 - Tumor markers: CEA, CA-153
 - Whole body bone scan

Principles of surgery

- Lumpectomy with surgical axillary staging (breast conserving surgery)
- Total or NAC/skin sparing mastectomy with surgical axillary staging (modified raical mastectomy) \pm reconstruction
- Sentinel lymph node biopsy is preferred method to access the pathologic status of axillary lymph nodes for patients with clinical stage I or II breast cancers.
- Women who undergo mastectomy are appropriate candidates for breast reconstruction.

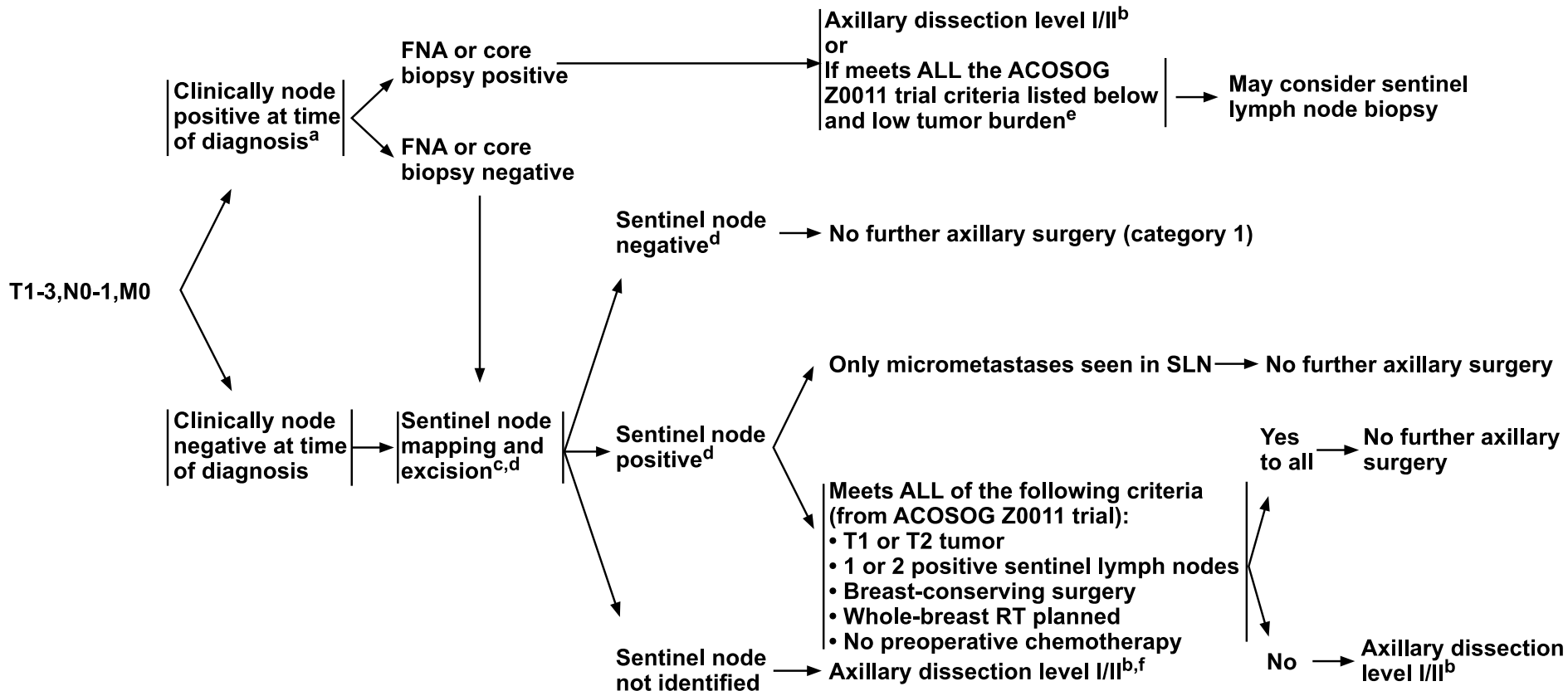
Margin status in infiltrating carcinoma (1)

- **The use of breast conserving therapy is predicated on achieving a pathologically negative margin of resection.**
 - Cases where there is a positive margin should generally undergo further surgery, either a re-excision to achieve a negative margin or a mastectomy.
 - If re-excision is technically feasible to allow for breast conserving therapy, this can be done with resection of the involved margin guided by the orientation of the initial resection specimen or reexcision of the entire original excision cavity.
 - If multiple margins remain positive, mastectomy may be required for optimal local control.

Margin status in infiltrating carcinoma (2)

- **It may be reasonable to treat selected cases with breast conserving therapy with a microscopically focally positive margin in the absence of an extensive intraductal component.**
 - For these patients, the use of a higher radiation boost dose to the tumor bed should be considered.
- **Margins should be evaluated on all surgical specimens from breast conserving surgery. Requirements for optimal margin evaluation include:**
 - Orientation of the surgical specimens
 - Description of the gross and microscopic margin status
 - Reporting of the distance, orientation, and type of tumor (invasive or DCIS) in relation to the closest margin.

Axillary lymph node staging



^a Consider pathologic confirmation of malignancy in clinically positive nodes using ultrasound-guided FNA or core biopsy.

^b See Axillary Lymph Node Staging (BINV-E).

^c Sentinel lymph node mapping injections may be peritumoral, subareolar, or subdermal.

^d Sentinel node involvement is defined by multilevel node sectioning with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) staining. Cytokeratin immunohistochemistry (IHC) may be used for equivocal cases on H&E. Routine cytokeratin IHC to define node involvement is not recommended in clinical decision-making.

^e Low tumor burden in the axilla means nodal disease that 1) is image-detected disease not apparent on clinical exam; and 2) appears to be limited to one or two axillary nodes.

^f For patients with clinically negative axilla who are undergoing mastectomy and for whom radiation therapy is planned, axillary radiation may replace axillary dissection level I/II for regional control of disease.

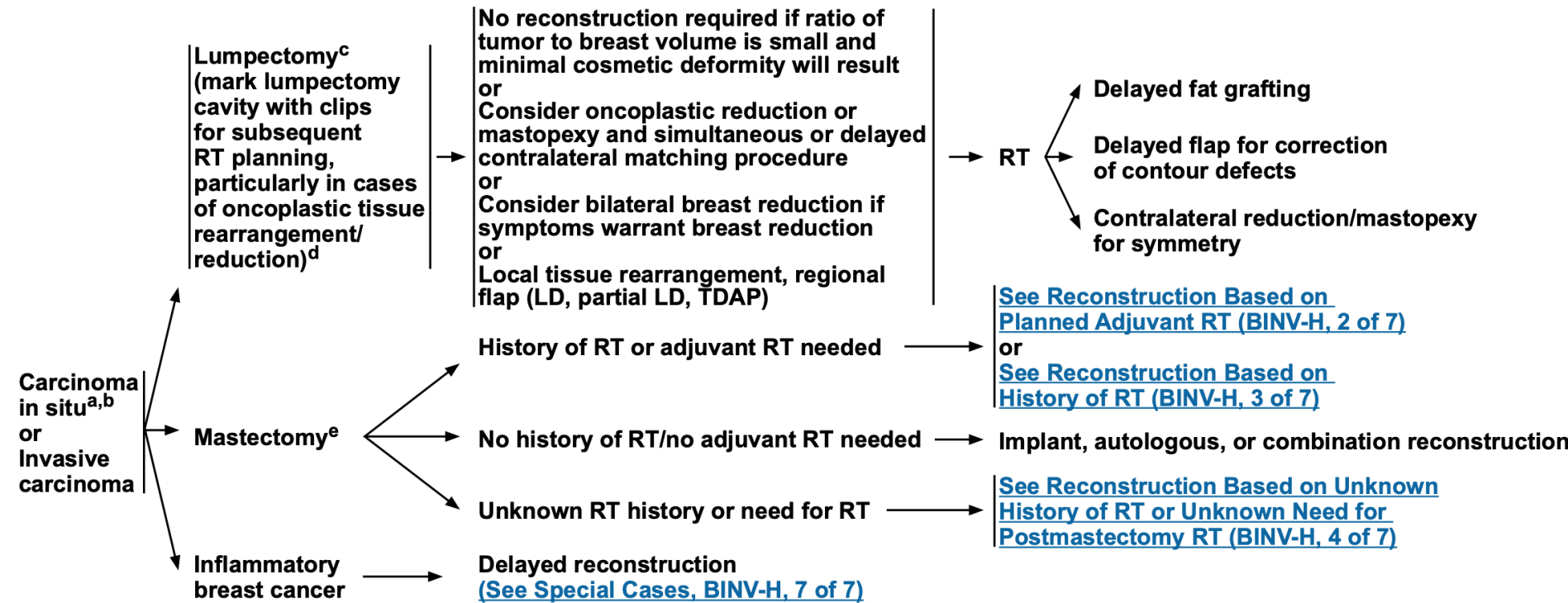
Axillary lymph node staging

- SLNB should be performed and is the preferred method of axillary lymph node staging if the patient is an appropriate SLNB candidate.
- In the absence of definitive data demonstrating superior survival, the performance of axillary staging may be considered optional in patients who have particularly favorable tumors, patients for whom the selection of adjuvant systemic and/or radiation therapy is unlikely to be affected, the elderly, or those with serious comorbid conditions.
- Level III dissection to the thoracic inlet should be performed only in cases with gross disease in level II and/or III.
- In the absence of gross disease in level II nodes, lymph node dissection should include tissue inferior to the axillary vein from the latissimus dorsi muscle laterally to the medial border of the pectoralis minor muscle (level I/II).

Principle of breast reconstruction after mastectomy

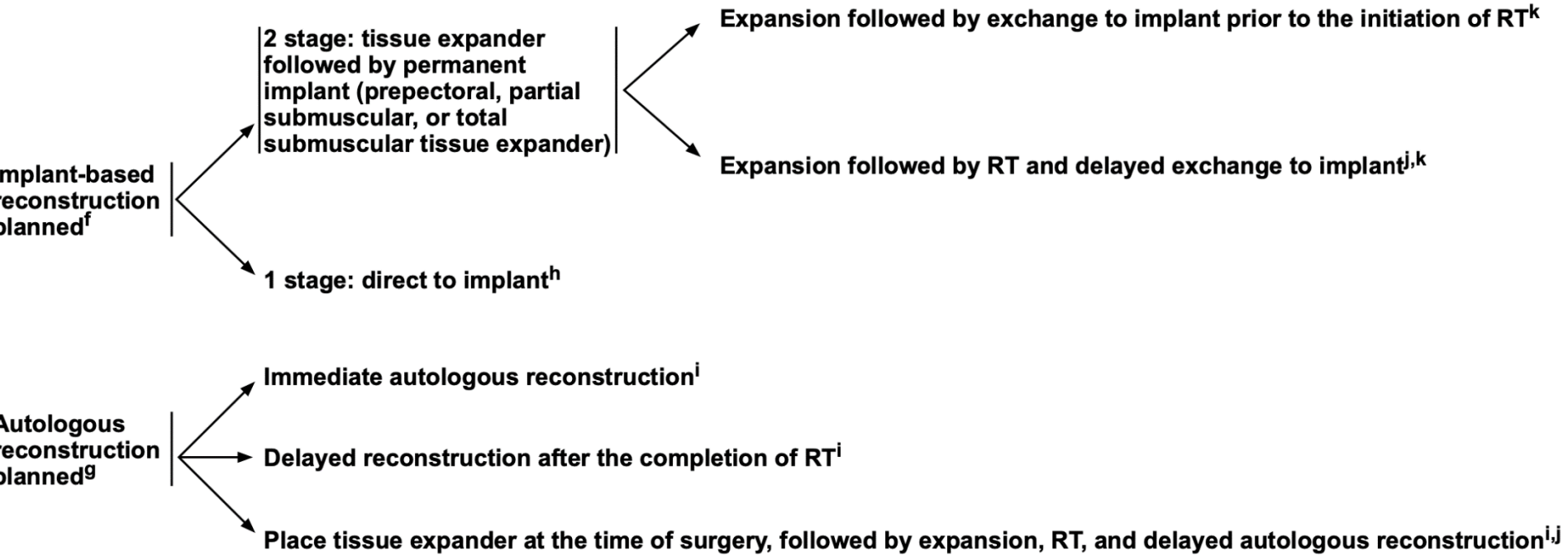
- **Reconstruction using breast implants, autologous tissue (“flaps) or a combination of the two (e.g., latissimus / implant composite reconstructions).**
- **Breast reconstruction for mastectomy can be performed at the same time as mastectomy (“immediate”) or at some time following the completion of cancer treatment (“delayed”).**
- **Skin sparing mastectomy should be performed by an experienced breast surgery team that works in a coordinated, multidisciplinary fashion to guide proper patient selection for skin sparing mastectomy, determine optimal sequencing of the reconstructive procedure(s) in relation to adjuvant therapies, and to perform a resections that achieves appropriate surgical margins. Post-mastectomy radiation should be applied in cases treated by skin sparing mastectomy.**
- **When post-mastectomy radiation is required, delayed reconstruction is generally preferred after completion of radiation therapy in autologous tissue reconstruction, because of reported loss in reconstruction cosmesis.**
- **When implant reconstruction is used, immediate rather than delayed reconstruction is preferred to avoid tissue expansion of radiated skin flaps.**
- **Surgery to exchange the tissue expanders with permanent implants can be performed prior to radiation or after completion of radiation therapy. Tissue expansion of irradiated skin can result in a significantly increased risk of capsular contracture, malposition, poor cosmesis and implant exposure.**
- **Nipple areolar reconstruction should be offered to patients if the nipple-areolar complex (NAC) has been removed as part of their cancer treatment. Various techniques are available for nipple reconstruction. 3-D tattooing can be offered to patients as an option for NAC reconstruction.**
- **There exists an association between certain types of textured breast implants and BIA-ALCL. The risk appears to vary based on the method of texturing. Patients with a past or current history of textured implants should follow up with their reconstructive surgeon.**

PRINCIPLES OF BREAST RECONSTRUCTION FOLLOWING SURGERY



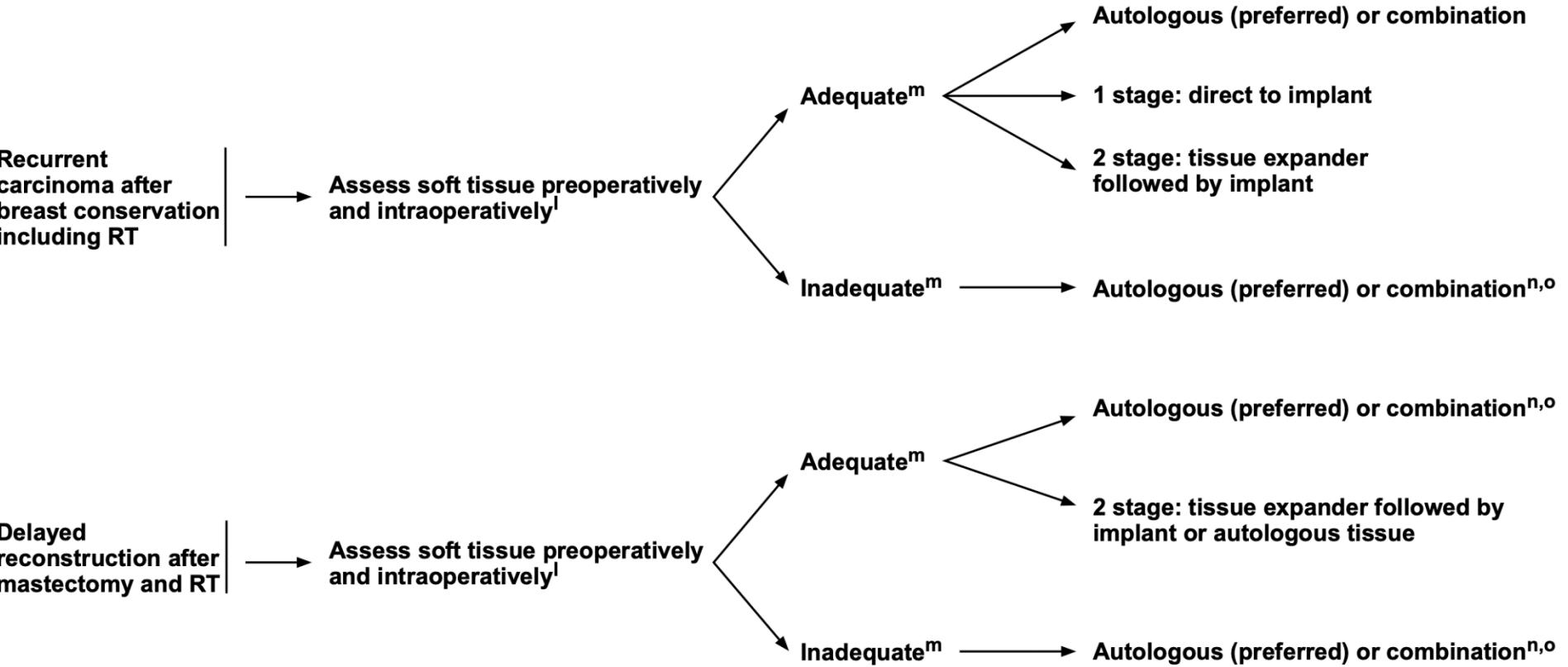
PRINCIPLES OF BREAST RECONSTRUCTION FOLLOWING SURGERY

RECONSTRUCTION BASED ON PLANNED ADJUVANT RT^{a,b}



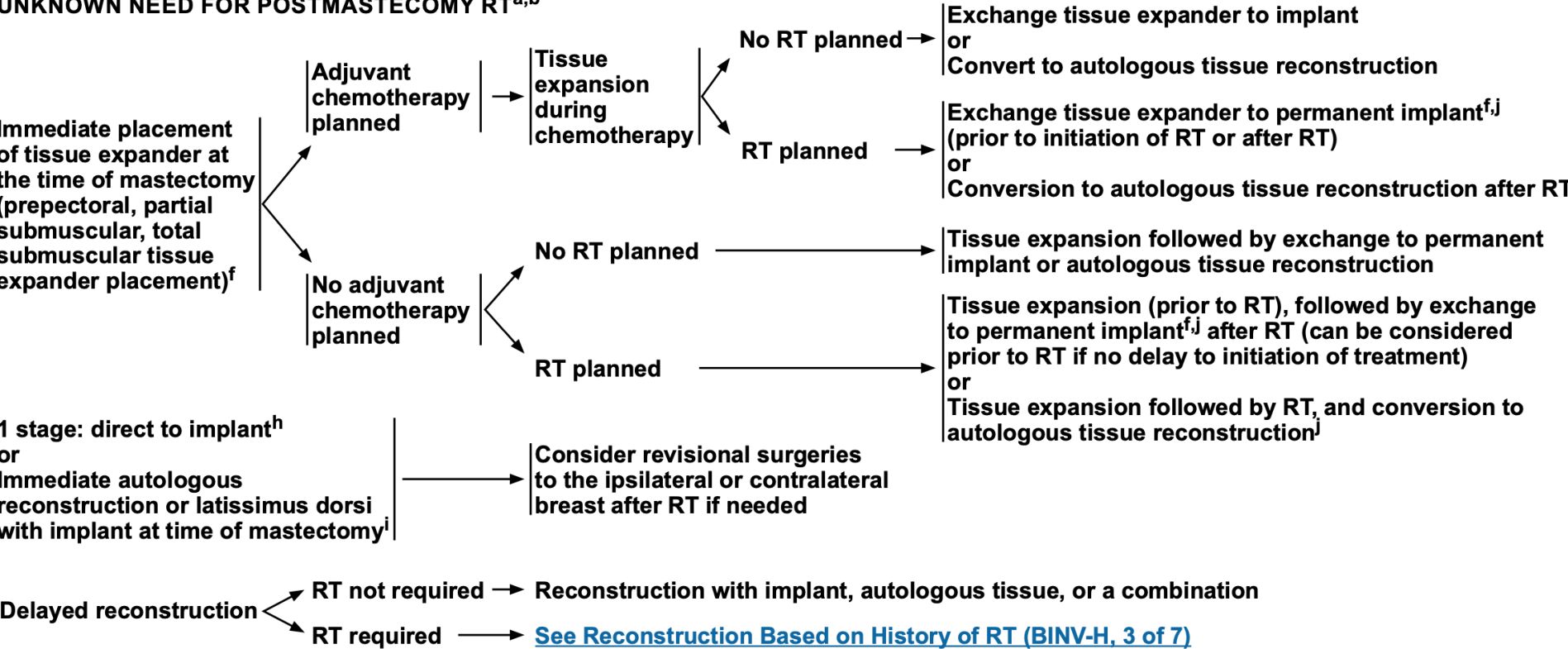
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RECONSTRUCTION BASED ON HISTORY OF RT^{a,b}



PRINCIPLES OF BREAST RECONSTRUCTION FOLLOWING SURGERY

RECONSTRUCTION BASED ON NO OR UNKNOWN HISTORY OF RT OR
UNKNOWN NEED FOR POSTMASTECTOMY RT^{a,b}



TNM Staging System: AJCC Cancer Staging, Eighth Edition (2017)

Primary tumor (T)

AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8th ed. (2017)

Primary Tumor (T) The T category of the primary tumor is defined by the same criteria regardless of whether it is based on clinical or pathological criteria, or both. The T category is based primarily on the size of the invasive component of the cancer. The maximum size of a tumor focus is used as an estimate of disease volume. The largest contiguous dimension of a tumor focus is used, and small satellite foci of noncontiguous tumor are not added to the size. The cellular fibrous reaction to invasive tumor cells is generally included in the measurement of a tumor prior to treatment; however, the dense fibrosis observed following neoadjuvant treatment is generally not included in the pathological measurement because its extent may overestimate the residual tumor volume. The clinical size of a primary tumor (T) can be measured based on clinical findings (physical examination and imaging modalities, such as mammography, ultrasound, and MR imaging) and pathological findings (gross and microscopic measurements). Clinical tumor size (cT) should be based on the clinical findings that are judged to be most accurate for a particular case, although it may still be somewhat inaccurate because the extent of some breast cancers is not always apparent with current imaging techniques and because tumors are composed of varying proportions of noninvasive and invasive disease, which these techniques are currently unable to distinguish. Size should be measured to the nearest millimeter. If the tumor size is slightly less than or greater than a cutoff for a given T classification the size should be rounded to the millimeter reading that is closest to the cutoff. For example, a reported size of 4.9 mm is reported as 5 mm, or a size of 2.04 cm is reported as 2.0 cm (20 mm). The exception to this rounding rule is for a breast tumor sized between 1.0 and 1.4 mm. These sizes are rounded up to 2 mm, because rounding down would result in the cancer's being categorized as microinvasive carcinoma (T1mi) defined as a size of 1.0 mm or less.

TNM Staging System:

T Stage		N Stage	
TX	Primary tumor cannot be assessed	Clinical	
T0	No evidence of primary tumor	Nx	Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed (e.g., previously removed)
Tis	Carcinoma in situ	N0	No regional lymph node metastasis
Tis (DCIS)	Ductal carcinoma in situ	N1	Metastases to movable ipsilateral level I, II axillary lymph node(s)
Tis (LCIS)	Lobular carcinoma in situ	N2	Metastases in ipsilateral level I, II axillary lymph nodes fixed or matted; or in clinically detected ipsilateral internal mammary nodes in the <i>absence</i> of clinically evident axillary lymph node metastases
Tis (Paget's)	Paget's disease of the nipple NOT associated with invasive carcinoma and/or carcinoma in situ in the underlying breast parenchyma.	N2a	Metastases in ipsilateral level I, II axillary lymph nodes fixed to one another (matted) or to other structures
T1	Tumor ≤ 20mm in greatest dimension	N2b	Metastases only in clinically detected ipsilateral internal mammary nodes and in the <i>absence</i> of clinically evident axillary lymph node metastases
T1mic	Tumor ≤ 1mm in greatest dimension	N3	Metastases in ipsilateral infraclavicular (level III axillary) lymph node(s) with or without level I, II axillary lymph node involvement; or in clinically detected ipsilateral internal mammary lymph node(s) with clinically detected level I, II axillary lymph node metastases; or metastases in ipsilateral supraclavicular lymph node(s) with or without axillary or internal mammary lymph node involvement
T1a	Tumor >1mm but ≤5mm in greatest dimension	N3a	Metastases in ipsilateral infraclavicular lymph node(s)
T1b	Tumor >5mm but ≤10mm in greatest dimension	N3b	Metastases in ipsilateral internal mammary lymph node(s) and axillary lymph node(s)
T1c	Tumor >10mm but ≤20mm in greatest dimension	N3c	Metastases in ipsilateral supraclavicular lymph node(s)
T2	Tumor >20mm but ≤50mm in greatest dimension		
T3	Tumor >50mm in greatest dimension		
T4	Tumor of any size with direct extension to chest wall and/or skin (ulceration or skin nodules)		
Note: Invasion to the dermis alone dose not qualify as T4			
T4a	Extension to chest wall, not including pectoralis muscle adherence/invasion		
T4b	Ulceration and/or ipsilateral satellite nodules and/or edema(including peau d'orange) of the skin, which do not meet the criteria for inflammatory carcinoma		
T4c	Both T4a and T4b		
T4d	Inflammatory carcinoma		

TNM Staging System (cont'd)

Pathologic (pN)

- pNX Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed (e.g., previously removed or not removed for pathologic study)
- pN0 No regional lymph node metastasis identified histologically
 - pN0(i—) No regional lymph node metastasis histologically, negative IHC
 - pN0(i+) Malignant cells in regional lymph node(s) no greater than 0.2mm (detected by H&E or IHC including ITC)
 - pN0(mol-) No regional lymph node metastasis histologically, negative molecular findings (RT-PCR)
 - pN0(mol+) Positive molecular findings(RT-PCR), but no regional lymph node metastases detected by histology or IHC
- pN1 Micrometastases; or metastases in 1 — 3 axillary lymph nodes; and/or in internal mammary nodes with metastases detected by sentinel lymph node biopsy but not clinically detected
 - pN1mi Micrometastases (greater than 0.2 mm and /or more than 200 cells, but none greater than 2.0 mm)
 - pN1a Metastases in 1 to 3 axillary lymph nodes, at least one metastasis greater than 2.0mm
 - pN1b Metastases in internal mammary nodes with micrometastases or macrometastases detected by sentinel lymph node biopsy but not clinically detected
 - pN1c Metastases in 1 to 3 axillary lymph nodes and in internal mammary lymph nodes with micrometastases or macrometastases detected by sentinel lymph node biopsy but not clinically detected
- pN2 Metastases in 4 to 9 axillary lymph nodes, or in clinically detected internal mammary lymph nodes in the *absence* of axillary lymph node metastasis
 - pN2a Metastases in 4 to 9 axillary lymph nodes (at least one tumor deposit greater than 2.0 mm)
 - pN2b Metastases in clinically detected internal mammary lymph nodes in the *absence* of axillary lymph node metastases
- pN3 Metastases in 10 or more axillary lymph nodes, or in infraclavicular (level III axillary) lymph nodes, or in clinically detected ipsilateral internal mammary lymph nodes in the *presence* of 1 or more positive level I, II axillary lymph nodes; or in more than 3 axillary lymph nodes and in internal mammary lymph nodes with micrometastases or macrometastases detected by sentinel lymph node biopsy but not clinically detected; or in ipsilateral supraclavicular lymph nodes
 - pN3a Metastases in 10 or more axillary lymph nodes (at least one tumor deposit greater than 2.0 mm); or metastases to the infraclavicular (level III axillary) lymph nodes
 - pN3b Metastases in clinically detected ipsilateral internal mammary lymph nodes in the *presence* of 1 or more positive axillary lymph nodes; or in more than 3 axillary lymph nodes and in internal mammary lymph nodes with micrometastases or macrometastases detected by sentinel lymph node biopsy but not clinically detected
 - pN3c Metastases in ipsilateral supraclavicular lymph nodes

TNM Staging System (cont'd)-Distant metastasis (M):

- **MX:**
Presence of distant metastasis cannot be assessed
- **M0:**
No distant metastasis
- **cM0(i+):**
No clinical or radiographic evidence of distant metastases, but deposits of molecularly or microscopically detected tumor cells in circulating blood, bone marrow, or other nonregional nodal tissue that are no larger than 0.2mm in a patient without symptoms or signs or metastases
- **M1:**
Distant detectable metastases as determined by classic clinical and radiographic means and/or histologically proven larger than 0.2mm

STAGE GROUPING

ANATOMIC STAGE/PROGNOSTIC GROUPS

Stage 0	Tis	N0	M0	Stage IIIA	T0	N2	M0
Stage IA	T1*	N0	M0		T1*	N2	M0
Stage IB	T0	N1mi	M0		T2	N2	M0
	T1*	N1mi	M0		T3	N1	M0
Stage IIA	T0	N1**	M0		T3	N2	M0
	T1*	N1**	M0	Stage IIIB	T4	N0	M0
	T2	N0	M0		T4	N1	M0
Stage IIB	T2	N1	M0		T4	N2	M0
	T3	N0	M0	Stage IIIC	Any T	N3	M0
				Stage IV	Any T	Any N	M1

*T1 includes T1mi

** T0 and T1 tumors with nodal micrometastases only are excluded from Stage IIA and are classified Stage IB.

HISTOLOGIC GRADE

GX	Grade cannot be assessed
G1	Low combined histologic grade (favorable)
G2	Intermediate combined histologic grade (moderately favorable)
G3	High combined histologic grade (unfavorable)

- All invasive breast carcinomas with the exception of medullary carcinoma should be graded.
- Nottingham Histologic Score is recommended (Modified Scarff-Bloom-Richardson grading (Elston, Histopathol 1991 19:403-10))

Histologic grade (Nottingham)

- **Tubule formation**

- 1 >75%
- 2 10-75%
- 3 <10%

- **Nuclear Pleomorphism**

- 1 small regular (size of normal cell)
- 2 moderate increase size (open, vesicular nuclei with visible nucleoli)
- 3 marked varied size, nucleoli, chromatin clumping (vesicular with prominent, often multiple nucleoli)

Histologic grade (Nottingham)

- Mitoses (0.59 mm diameter) (0.44mm)**

1	<10/10 HPF	0-5
2	10-20	6-10
3	>20	>10

grade 1 3-5 points of score

grade 2 6-7

grade 3 8-9

Treatment allocation by therapeutic target and risk categories: adjuvant chemotherapy and endocrine therapy:

- All of the following categories designed for pT > 1 cm (\geq T1c)
- pT > 0.5 cm and \leq 1cm N0M0: individualized therapy (reference as NCCN 2019)
- pT \leq 0.5cm N0M0: no adjuvant chemotherapy
- Recommend anthracycline (epirubicin)-containing regimens in patients with EF \geq 50% ; when EF < 50%: consider TC instead of EC.

VGH Breast Cancer Phenotype Grouping

VGH Breast Cancer Phenotype Group			
<i>VGH Phenotype Group</i>	HR Status	HER2	Aggressiveness
Luminal A	Strong	-	Low
Luminal B Her2-	Moderate	-	Moderate~High
Luminal B TNB Like	Weak	-	Any
Luminal B Her2+	Positive	+	Any
HER2	Negative	+	Any
Triple Negative	Negative	-	Any

VGH Breast Cancer

Hormonal Status and Aggressiveness Classification

VGH Hormonal Status Classification			
<i>VGH HR Status</i>	ER		PR
Strong	≥50%	&	≥20%
Moderate	Else		
Weak	1~9%	&	1~9%
Negative	<1%	&	<1%

VGH Aggressiveness Classification			
<i>VGH Aggressiveness</i>	HG		MIB-1
High	3	&	≥ 30%
Moderate	Else		
Low	<3	&	<20%
<i>HG: Histology Grade</i>			

VGH Breast Cancer Systemic Therapy Guideline Table

VGH Breast Cancer Phenotype Group	M0										M1
	N0					N1			N2	N3	Any
	T1a	T1b	T1c	T2	T3-4	T1	T2	T3-4	Any	Any	Any
Luminal A	H	H	H	H	C+H	C+H or H	C+H or H	C+H	C+H	C_DD+H	H or C_Met+H
Luminal B Her2-	H	H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C_DD+H	C_Met+H
Luimnal B TNB Like	H	H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C+H	C_DD+H	C_Met+H
Luminal B Her2+	H	H	C+T+H	C+T+H	C+T+H	C+T+H	C+T+H	C+T+H	C+T+H	C_DD+T+H	C_Met+T+H
HER2	optional	optional	C+T	C+T	C+T	C+T	C+T	C+T	C+T	C_DD+T	C_Met+T
Triple Negative	optional	optional	C_tnb	C_tnb	C_tnb	C_tnb	C_tnb	C_tnb	C_tnb	C_tnb_DD	C_tnb_Met

Note:

VGH Breast Cancer Phenotype Group dose not take any gene analysis result into consideration. If a gene analysis result is available, an appropriate adjustment could be made accordingly.

H: Hormone Therapy

C+H: Chemotherapy and Hormone Therapy

C+T: Chemotherapy and HER2 Targeted Therapy

C+T+H: Chemotherapy, HER2 Targeted Therapy and Hormone Therapy

C_tnb: Chemotherapy for TNB breast cancer

C_DD: Dose-Dense Chemotherapy



Self-pay



Non Dose-dense regimen as options



Dose-dense regimen as options

Surrogate definitions of intrinsic subtypes of breast cancer

- **Luminal A-like:**

All of: ER positive and $\geq 50\%$, PgR positive and $\geq 20\%$, grade 1 or 2, HER2 negative, Ki-67 'low' ($< 20\%$),
Recurrence risk 'low' (if available) (Oncotype Dx (< 26) or MammaPrint (Symphony) low risk (if available).

- **Luminal B-like:**

- 1 Luminal B-like (HER2 negative): ER positive, HER2 negative, and at least one of: Ki-67 'high' ($\geq 30\%$), PgR 'negative or low' ($< 20\%$), grade 3, risk 'high' based on multi-gene-expression assay (if available, such as Oncotype Dx Recurrence score ≥ 31).
- 2 Luminal B-like (HER2 positive): ER positive, HER2 over-expressed or amplified, any Ki-67, any PgR

- **HER2 positive (non-luminal):**

HER2 over-expressed or amplified, ER and PgR negative ($< 10\%$)

- **Triple negative (ductal):**

ER and PgR negative ($< 10\%$), HER2 negative

Category 1: Node (-) and Luminal A-like disease

- A. Adjuvant chemotherapy: No
 - Options: CMF x 6 or E(90)C x 6 or TC x 4 (T self-pay).
- B. Adjuvant endocrine therapy: Yes (See Adjuvant endocrine therapy).

Category 2: Node (-) and Luminal B-like disease

- A. Adjuvant chemotherapy:
 - ① HER2 (-): E(90)C x 6
 - Option: CMF x 6 or TC x 4 (T self-pay).
 - ② HER2 (+): Adjuvant chemotherapy + trastuzumab(self-pay)
 - E(90)C x 6 + trastuzumab (self-pay) after EC
 - Options: E(90)C x 4 + taxanes (self-pay); add trastuzumab (self-pay) after EC
- B. Adjuvant endocrine therapy: Yes (See Adjuvant endocrine therapy).

Category 3: Node (-) and HER2 positive (non-luminal):

A. Adjuvant chemotherapy:

Adjuvant chemotherapy + trastuzumab(self-pay)

- E(90)C x 6 + trastuzumab (self-pay) after EC
- Options:
 - E(90)C x 4 + taxanes (self-pay); add trastuzumab (self-pay) after EC
 - Paclitaxel (self-pay) + trastuzumab (APT)(self-pay) (for $T \leq 2\text{cm}^*$)

B. Adjuvant endocrine therapy for ER/PR 1~10 %: Yes (See Adjuvant endocrine therapy).

* NCCN suggested: APT regimen may be considered for patients with low-risk T1,N0,M0, HER2-positive disease, particularly those not eligible for other standard adjuvant regimens due to comorbidities. APT trial included only 9% of T2 (>2.0 to ≤ 3.0 cm) patients.

Category 4: Node 1-3 (+) and Luminal disease:

A. Adjuvant chemotherapy:

- ① HER2 (-): E(90)C x 4 + taxanes (tri-weekly docetaxel x 4)
 - Options: E(90)C x 4 + weekly paclitaxel x 12 {self-pay if ER (+)}; consider no chemotherapy (luminal A-like, esp. for metastasis in 1 axillary lymph node)
 - Options: RS ≤ 25 , no chemotherapy for postmenopausal women¹
- ② HER2 (+): add trastuzumab (\pm pertuzumab, self-pay; \pm neratinib for HR(+)², self-pay) after EC

B. Adjuvant endocrine therapy: Yes

1.RxPONDER trial, SABCS 2020. NCCN. 2. ExteNET Study, Lancet Oncol. 2017.

Category 5: Node ≥ 4 (+) disease (except triple negative (ductal) disease)

A. Adjuvant chemotherapy:

- ① E(90)C x 4 + taxanes (tri-weekly docetaxel x 4 or weekly paclitaxel x12 (self-pay for ER (+)))
- ② HER2 (+): Add trastuzumab(\pm pertuzumab, self-pay; \pm neratinib for HR (+)¹ , self-pay) after EC
- ③ Options: Dose-dense chemotherapy
- ④ Adjuvant endocrine therapy: for ER and/or PR (+).

1. ExteNET Study, Lancet Oncol. 2017.

Category 6: Triple Negative Disease:

- A. Definition: ER 0-9%, PR 0-9%, HER2 (-).
- B. Adjuvant chemotherapy: E(90)C x 4 + taxanes (tri-weekly docetaxel x 4 or weekly paclitaxel x12 (self-pay for ER (+)))
- C. Options for Node ≥ 4 : dose-dense chemotherapy
- D. Options after adjuvant chemotherapy: metronomic capecitabine (650mg/m² bid continuously for 1 year²)
- E. Adjuvant endocrine therapy: for ER $\geq 1\%$

2. STSUCC001, ASCO 2020

Adjuvant S-1 (TS-1) for hormone receptor-positive and HER2 negative moderate/high-risk primary breast cancer-1

• S-1 (TS-1, 20 mg, 25 mg)(self-pay)bid x 14 days/q3w x 1 year

• Indications:
– With preoperative chemotherapy

With preoperative chemotherapy		
Axillary node metastasis before PST*	Pathological response to PST	Eligibility
Absent	pCR	X
	Non-pCR	O
Present	Regardless of pathological response	O

*pathologically or cytologically proven

– With preoperative endocrine therapy

With preoperative endocrine therapy		
Axillary node metastasis before PST	Pathological response to PST	Eligibility
Absent	Same as the criteria of patients without PST (based on T, N, Grade, and proliferation marker)	
Present	Regardless of pathological response	O

– Without preoperative systemic therapy

Axillary node metastasis or lympho-vascular invasion	Histologic grade	Invasion diameter		
		< 2 cm	≥ 2 To < 3 cm	≥ 3 cm
Absent	Grade 1	X	Proliferation marker analysis [#]	O
	Grade 2	Proliferation marker analysis [#]	O	O
	Grade 3	O	O	O
Present	O: Eligible regardless of histologic grade and invasion diameter			

Adjuvant S-1 (TS-1) for hormone receptor-positive and HER2 negative moderate/high–risk primary breast cancer-2

Starting dose		
Ccr** (before S-1 administration)	BSA (m ²)	Damealily Dose (after meal)
≥ 80 mL/min	< 1.25	80mg (40mg BID)
	1.25 to 1.5	100mg (50mg BID)
	≥ 1.5	120mg (60mg BID)
50-79 mL/min	< 1.25	60mg (morning 20mg, evening 40mg)
	1.25 to < 1.5	80mg (40mg BID)
	≥ 1.5	100mg (50mg BID)

Representative adjuvant chemotherapy and anti-HER2 regimens:

* EF < 50%: Consider TC x 4 or 6 (self-pay for node 0-3) instead of EC

1. CMF

A. CivMF: cycled every 21 days.

- Cyclophosphamide 600 mg/m² day 1
- Methotrexate 40 mg/m² IV day 1
- 5-fluorouracil 600 mg/m² IV day 1

B. Classical CMF: cycled every 28 days.

- Cyclophosphamide 100 mg/m² PO days 1-14
- Methotrexate 40 mg/m² IV days 1 & 8
- 5-Fluorouracil 600 mg/m² IV days 1 & 8

2. E(90)C: cycled every 21 days.

- Cyclophosphamide 600 mg/m² IV day 1
- Epirubicin 90 mg/m² IV day 1

3. Taxanes:

- Weekly paclitaxel: 80mg/m² IV qw x 12 (for ER(-), ER(+)) self-pay
- Bi-weekly paclitaxel (for dose-dense regimen): 175 mg/m² IV q2w x 4 (for ER(-), ER(+)) self-pay
- Tri-weekly docetaxel: 75 mg/m² IV q3w x 4

4. **Dose-dense:** E(90)C q2w x4 +weekly paclitaxel x12(preferred) or bi-weekly paclitaxel x 4.
5. **TC: cycled every 21 days.**
 - Docetaxel 75 mg/m² IV day 1
 - Cyclophosphamide 600 mg/m² IV day 1
6. **Trastuzumab: 4 mg/kg loading, 2 mg/kg/week; or 8mg/kg loading, 6 mg/kg/q3week; x 1 year after anthracycline-based regimens.**

Option: 9 week or 26 week for patients who self-pay trastuzumab.
7. **Pertuzumab: 840 mg IV day 1 loading, followed by 420 mg IV q3w x1 year**
8. **Paclitaxel + trastuzumab (APT) (self-pay):**
 - Weekly paclitaxel 80 mg/m² iv day 1 x 12
 - Trastuzumab: 4 mg/kg loading, 2 mg/kg/week; or 8mg/kg loading, 6 mg/kg/q3week; x 1 year (reference: N Engl J Med 2015;372:134-141.)

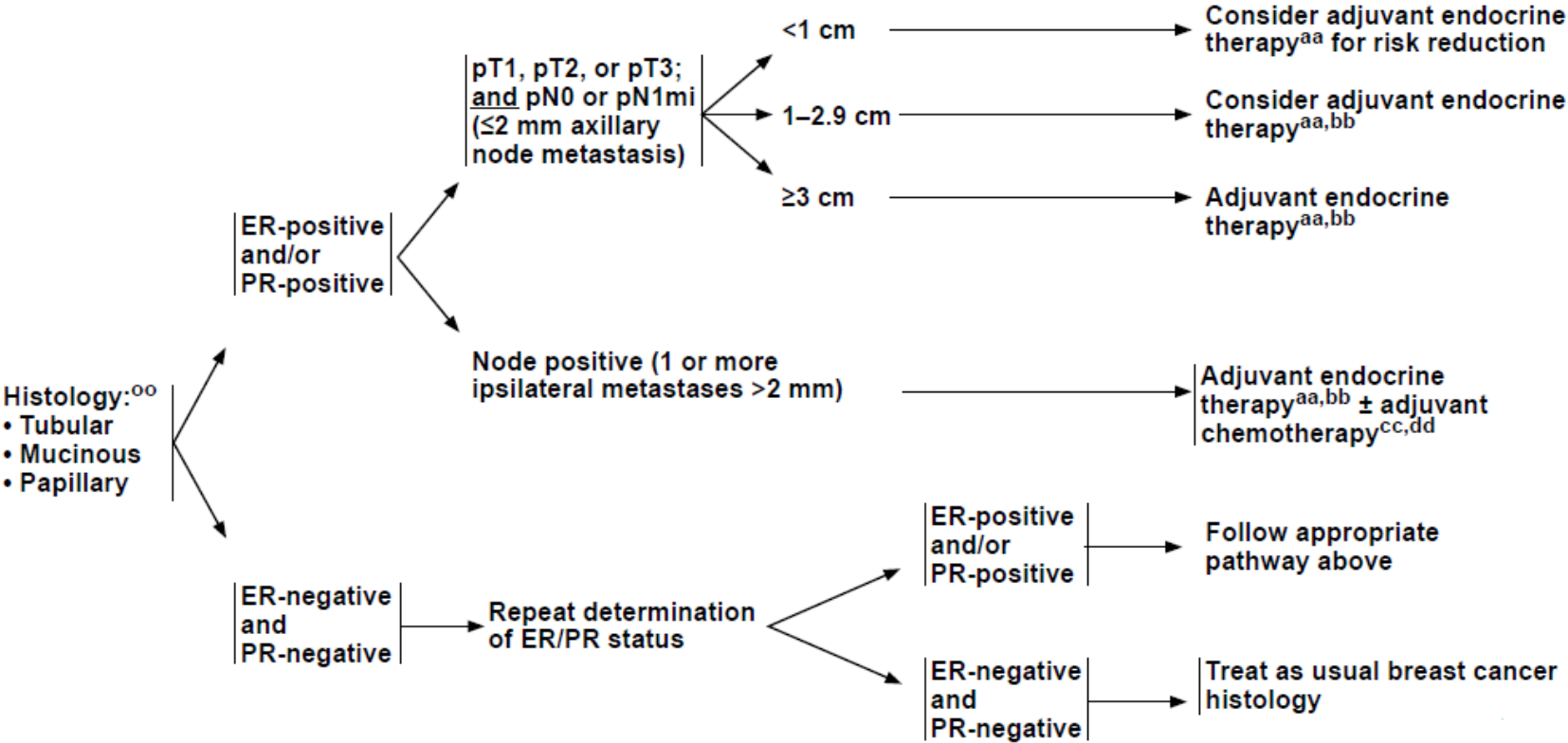
Adjuvant endocrine therapy: for ER $\geq 1\%$, or ER 0% and PR $\geq 10\%$

Recommendation: as NCCN 2021

- Recommend upfront letrozole x 5 years for postmenopausal patients (node (+) and node (-)), and extended use of letrozole or tamoxifen for postmenopausal, node (+) patients.
- Premenopausal women: recommend ovarian suppression (GnRH agonists sc qm for 2~3~5 years) or ablation + tamoxifen 10 mg bid/or AIs for 5 years; consider tamoxifen extended to 10 years.
- Options: Add abemaciclib x 2 years (monarchE¹) for patients with 1. ≥ 4 positive ALN or 1-3 positive ALN plus histologic grade 3 and/or tumor ≥ 5 cm, 2. 1-3 positive ALN, Ki-67 $\geq 20\%$ per central testing, not grade 3, tumor size < 5 cm

1. monarchE trail, SABCS 2020

Systemic Adjuvant Treatment - favorable histologies (Tubular, Mucinous, Papillary)



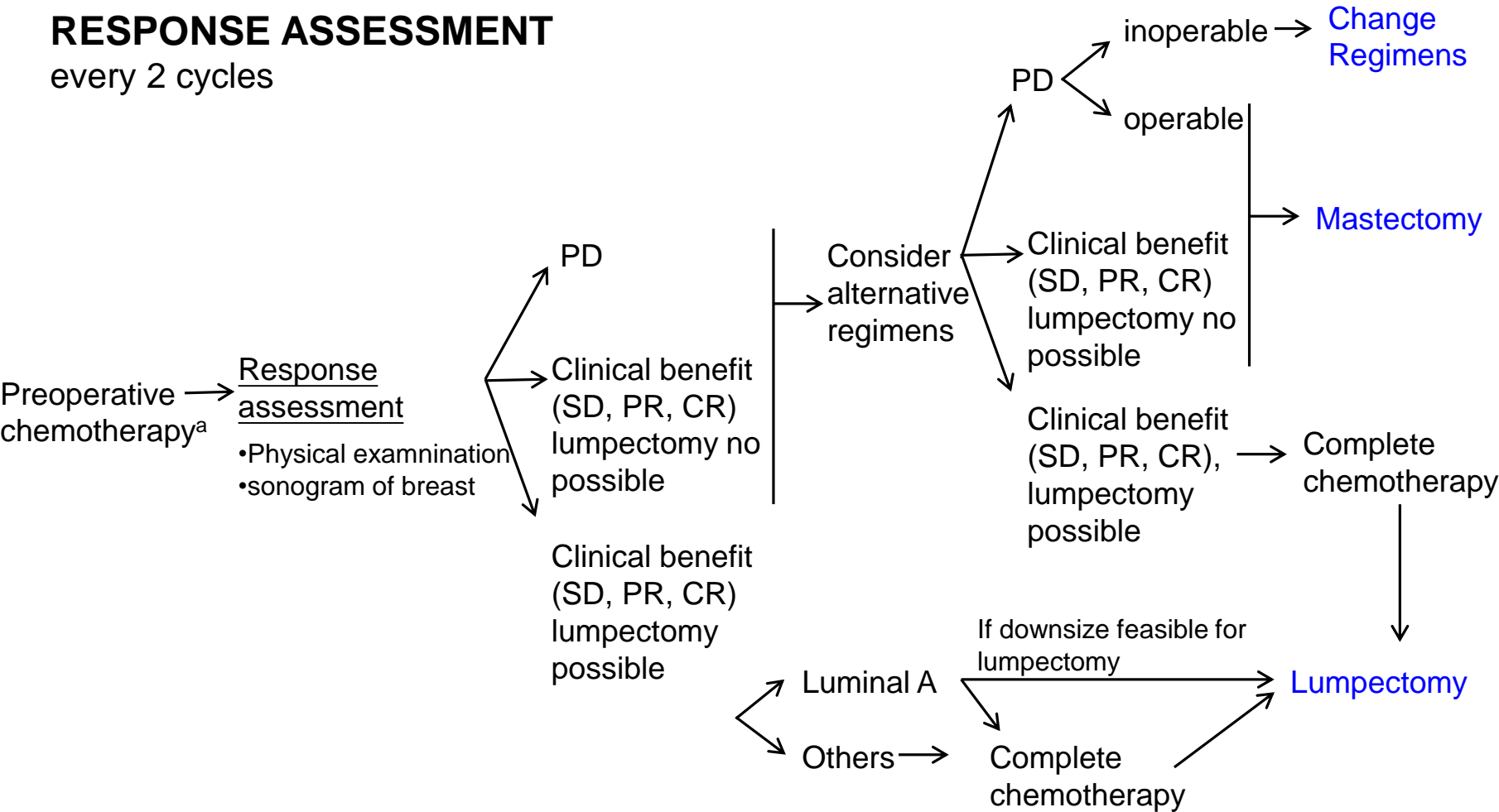
WORKUP Preoperative systemic therapy guideline

- **History and physical exam**
- **CBC (including platelets), PT/APTT**
- **Liver and renal function tests and alkaline phosphatase**
- **Chest X-rays**
- **Diagnostic bilateral mammogram and breast ultrasound as necessary**
- **Pathology review if indicated, include:**
 - Estrogen/progesterone receptor (ER/PR) status
 - HER2 status
 - MIB-1 index
- **Staging surveillance**
 - Whole body bone scan
 - CT scan of chest
 - Abdominal ultrasound
- **Cardiac function (cardiac echography and/or MUGA)**
- **Hepatitis markers (HBsAg, anti-HBs, anti-HBc, anti-HCV Ab)**
- **Optional studies**
 - Tumor markers: CEA, CA-153
 - Breast MRI
 - PET/CT scan
 - Bone mineral density

Preoperative systemic therapy guideline

RESPONSE ASSESSMENT

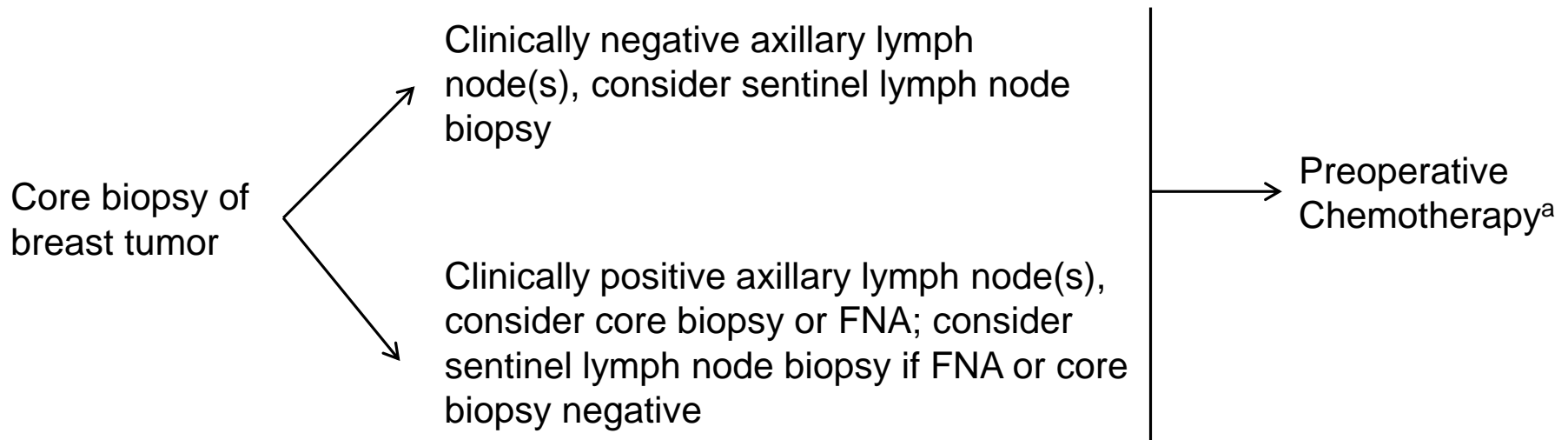
every 2 cycles



^a Regimens of preoperative chemotherapy refer to _____

Preoperative systemic therapy guideline

AXILLARY ASSESSMENT



^a Consult gastroenterologist for lamivudine prophylaxis in HBV carrier before chemotherapy.

Neoadjuvant systemic therapy :

- Indications: (clinical stage) stage IIA (T2N0M0), stage IIB (T2N1M0; T3N0M0), stage IIIA (T3N1M0), and fulfills criteria for breast conserving surgery except for tumor size; stage IIIA (T3, N1, M0; T0, N2, M0; T1, N2, M0; T2, N2, M0; T3, N2, M0), stage IIIB(T4, N0, M0; T4, N1, M0; T4, N2, M0), stage IIIC(Any T, N3, M0)
- Clinical trials

Luminal A-like and Luminal B-like (HER2 negative)

- **Recommended regimens: taxane-based regimens q3w x 4 + E(90)C q3w x 4**
 - Taxane-based regimens: T-Carboplatin (docetaxel/carboplatin: 75/AUC 5-6 (if Ccr> 60 cc/min, carboplatin self-pay), T-CDDP (docetaxel/cisplatin 75/75), T (docetaxel 75). Weekly paclitaxel-carboplatin (80 qw x2-3, self-pay/ AUC 5-6. if Ccr> 60 cc/min, carboplatin self-pay), Weekly paclitaxel-cisplatin (80 qw x2-3/75), weekly paclitaxel (80 qw x 3).
- **Course-completion recommendation:**
 - Luminal A: Downsize large tumors for allowing more surgical options.
 - Luminal B-like (HER2 negative): If patients response continuously and are tolerable, complete total courses (8 cycles)

Luminal B-like (HER2 positive) and HER2 positive (non-luminal):

- **Recommended regimens: taxane-based regimens q3w x 4 + E(90)C q3w x 4 or docetaxel or paclitaxel/carboplatin or cisplatin x 6**
 - Taxane-based regimens: T-Carboplatin (docetaxel/carboplatin: 75/AUC 5-6 (if Ccr> 60 cc/min, carboplatin self-pay), T-CDDP (docetaxel/cisplatin 75/75), T (docetaxel 75). Weekly paclitaxel-carboplatin (80 qw x2-3, self-pay/ AUC 5-6. if Ccr> 60 cc/min, carboplatin self-pay), Weekly paclitaxel-cisplatin (80 qw x2-3/75), weekly paclitaxel (80 qw x 3).
- **Trastuzumab: standard dose from first cycle of chemotherapy, for 1 year**
- **Options:**
 - Add pertuzumab (840 mg loading, then 420 mg q3w, self-pay) with trastuzumab, in 8 cycles of neoadjuvant chemotherapy, or continuous for 1 year if pCR obtained.
- **Course-completion' recommendation:** If patients response continuously and are tolerable, complete total courses (8 cycles)
- **If residual disease after preoperative therapy:** Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1) (self-pay) alone. If ado-trastuzumab emtansine discontinued for toxicity, then trastuzumab ± pertuzumab to complete one year of therapy. (reference N Engl J Med. 2019 Feb 14;380(7):617-628.)

Triple Negative (Ductal)

- **Recommended regimens: taxane-based regimens q3w x 4 + E(90)C q3w x 4**
 - Taxane-based regimens: T-Carboplatin (docetaxel/carboplatin: 75/AUC 5-6 (if Ccr> 60 cc/min, carboplatin self-pay), T-CDDP (docetaxel/cisplatin 75/75), TC (docetaxel/cyclophosphamide 75/600), T (docetaxel 75). Weekly paclitaxel-carboplatin (80 qw x2-3, self-pay/ AUC 5-6. if Ccr> 60 cc/min, carboplatin self-pay), Weekly paclitaxel-cisplatin (80 qw x2-3/75), weekly paclitaxel (80 qw x 3).
- **Option:**
 1. add bevacizumab (15mg/kg q3w, self-pay)
 2. add atezolizumab (840 mg q2w, or 1200 mg q3w, exclusively nab-paclitaxel for taxane, reference¹: IMpassion 031) or pembrolizumab (200mg q3w, reference²: KeyNote 522)
- **Course-completion' recommendation:**

If patients response continuously and are tolerable, complete total courses (8 cycles)
- **If Residual disease (no pCR) after neoadjuvant chemotherapy:** capecitabine 2000-2500 mg/m² on days 1 to 14, every 3 weeks for 6 or 8 cycles (self-pay). (reference N Engl J Med. 2017 Jun 1;376(22):2147-2159)

1. IMpassion 031, 2. KeyNote 522, Schmid P, et al. N Engl J Med. 2020;382:810-821.

Neoadjuvant endocrine therapy in ER+ patients

- **Neoadjuvant endocrine therapy also accepted, especially in old age (≥ 70), or in patients who deny chemotherapy.**
- **Recommend regimens:**
 - Premenopausal patients: goserelin sc qm + tamoxifen 10 mg bid or letrozole 2.5 mg qd \pm CDK 4/6 inhibitors (self-pay)
 - Postmenopausal patients: letrozole 2.5 mg qd \pm CDK 4/6 inhibitors (self-pay)
 - Therapeutic aim: Downsize large tumors for allowing more surgical options

Treatment of local recurrence disease

- **Initial treatment with mastectomy > Surgical resection (if possible)+ RT (if possible)>Consider systemic therapy**
- **Initial treatment with lumpectomy + RT > Mastectomy > Consider systemic therapy**

Treatment of metastatic breast cancer

- **ER/PR positive and bone/soft tissue only/or asymptomatic visceral: sequential endocrine therapy or chemotherapy**
- **ER/PR negative or symptomatic visceral or hormone refractory : chemotherapy**
 - HER2 positive: Trastuzumab (+pertuzumab in first line) + chemotherapy
 - HER2 negative: chemotherapy

Preferred systemic therapy regimens for recurrent or metastatic breast

- **Preferred regimens cancer:** as NCCN guidelines
 - Anthracyclines: doxorubicin, epirubicin, liposomal doxorubicin
 - Taxanes: paclitaxel, docetaxel, albumin-bound paclitaxel
 - Anti-metabolites: capecitabine, gemcitabine
 - Microtubule inhibitors: vinorelbine, eribulin
 - PARP inhibitors (options for patients with HER2-negative tumors and germline BRCA1/2 mutation): olaparib, talazoparib
 - Platinum (option for patients with triple-negative tumors and germline BRCA1/2 mutation): carboplatin, cisplatin
 - Atezolizumab (self-pay) + nab-paclitaxel (self-pay)(option for patients with PD-L1-positive TNBC, reference¹: Impassion 130/131)
 - Pembrolizumab (self-pay) + chemotherapy (preferred paclitaxel or nab-paclitaxel (self-pay), reference²: KeyNote 355) (option for patients with PD-L1-positive TNBC)
 - Cyclophosphamide
 - Ixabepilone
 - Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd)(self-pay) for HER2 IHC 1+ or 2+/ISH negative³.

1. Impassion 130/131 studies, ESMO 2020, Schmid, N Engl J Med 2018. 2. KeyNote 355 study, ASCO 2020. 3. DESTINY-Breast04 study ASCO 2022. NCCN 2022.

Preferred systemic therapy regimens for recurrent or metastatic breast cancer (cont'd)

- **Useful in certain circumstances**
 - AC (doxorubicin/cyclophosphamide)
 - EC (epirubicin/cyclophosphamide)
 - CMF (cyclophosphamide/methotrexate/fluorouracil)
 - Docetaxel/capecitabine
 - TG (paclitaxel/gemcitabine)
 - Gemcitabine/carboplatin
 - Paclitaxel (or other chemotherapy) /bevacizumab
 - Cisplatin or carboplatin /5-FU
 - Vinorelbine/capecitabine, IV or oral.
 - Vinorelbine/platinum

Preferred systemic therapy regimens for recurrent or metastatic breast cancer (cont'd)

- **Preferred first-line agents for HER2-positive disease:**
 - Pertuzumab + trastuzumab + docetaxel
 - Pertuzumab + trastuzumab + paclitaxel
- **Other recommended regimens:**
 - Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) (self-pay)(preferred second line)¹
 - Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1)(preferred second line)
 - Trastuzumab + paclitaxel ± carboplatin
 - Trastuzumab + docetaxel
 - Trastuzumab + vinorelbine
 - Trastuzumab + capecitabine
 - Lapatinib + capecitabine
 - Trastuzumab + lapatinib (without cytotoxic therapy)
 - Trastuzumab + eribulin
 - Trastuzumab + other agents

1. DESTINY-Breast03 study. Cortés J et al. N Engl J Med. 2022;386:1143-1154

SYSTEMIC THERAPY REGIMENS FOR RECURRENT UNRESECTABLE (LOCAL OR REGIONAL) OR STAGE IV (M1) DISEASE^j

HER2-Positive			
Setting	Regimen	NCCN Category of Preference	NCCN Category of Evidence
First line ^k	Pertuzumab + trastuzumab + docetaxel ^m	Preferred Regimen	1
	Pertuzumab + trastuzumab + paclitaxel ^m	Preferred Regimen	2A
Second line ^l	Fam-trastuzumab deruxtecan-nxki ^{i,n,o}	Preferred Regimen	1
	Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1) ^j	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
Third line and beyond (optimal sequence is not known)	Tucatinib + trastuzumab + capecitabine ^{m,p}	Other Recommended Regimen ^p	1
	Trastuzumab + docetaxel or vinorelbine ^{m,q}	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
	Trastuzumab + paclitaxel ± carboplatin ^{m,q}	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
	Capecitabine + trastuzumab or lapatinib ^{m,q}	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
	Trastuzumab + lapatinib ^{m,q} (without cytotoxic therapy)	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
	Trastuzumab + other agents ^{m,q,r,s}	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
	Neratinib + capecitabine ^q	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
	Margetuximab-cmkb + chemotherapy ^q (capecitabine, eribulin, gemcitabine, or vinorelbine)	Other Recommended Regimen	2A
Additional targeted therapy options (See BINV-R)			

Preferred systemic therapy regimens for recurrent or metastatic breast cancer (cont'd)

- **Preferred Agents with Bevacizumab: Paclitaxel**
- **Preferred regimen for use in combination with lapatinib (HER2+)**
 - Capecitabine
- **Other Active Agents**
 - Cisplatin
 - Carboplatin
 - Etoposide (po)
 - Vinblastine
 - Fluorouracil continuous infusion
 - For germline BRCA1/2 mutation: olaparib¹, talazoparib²

1. N Engl J Med 2017;377:523-533. 2. N Engl J Med 2018;379:753-763.

Preferred endocrine therapy for recurrent or metastatic breast cancer

- **Premenopausal patients with ER-positive disease should have ovarian ablation/suppression and follow postmenopausal guideline.**
- **POSTMENOPAUSAL PATIENTS**
 - Aromatase inhibitors + CDK 4/6 inhibitors (palbociclib, ribociclib, abemaciclib)
 - Fulvestrant + CDK 4/6 inhibitors
 - Tamoxifen + CDK 4/6 inhibitors
 - Non-steroidal aromatase inhibitor (anastrozole, letrozole)
 - Steroidal aromatase inactivator (exemestane)
 - Exemestane + everolimus
 - For PIK3CA-mutated tumors: alpelisib + fulvestrant¹
 - Fulvestrant
 - Tamoxifen or Toremifene
 - Megestrol acetate

1. N Engl J Med 2018;379:2108-2121.

Preferred endocrine therapy for recurrent or metastatic breast cancer

- **HER2-Positive and Postmenopausal**
 - Aromatase inhibitor \pm trastuzumab
 - Aromatase inhibitor \pm lapatinib
 - Aromatase inhibitor \pm lapatinib + trastuzumab
 - Fulvestrant \pm trastuzumab
 - Tamoxifen \pm trastuzumab

Dose reduction for hepatic and renal dysfunction- intravenous I		
	Hepatic function	Renal function
Carboplatin	X	By AUC
Cisplatin	X	Ccr 30-60: -50%, Ccr <30: Omit
Cyclophosphamide	TB 3-5 or AST>180: -25%, TB>5:Omit	Ccr 10-50: -25% Ccr <10: -50%
Docetaxel	TB > 1.5 AST>60 or ALKP >2.5 UNL: Omit	X
Doxorubicin	TB 1.5-3: -50% TB 3.1-5: -75% TB >5: Omit	X
Doxorubicin Liposome	TB 1.5-3: -50% TB 3.1-5: -75% TB >5: Omit	X
Epirubicin^b	TB 1.5-3 or AST 2-4 UNL:-50%, TB>3 or AST>4 UNL:-75%	N/A
Etoposide	TB 1.5-3,or AST 60-180:-50%, TB >3 or AST>180: Omit	Ccr 10-50: -25%, Ccr <10: -50%
X: No recommendation, N/A: Not available, UNL: Upper normal limit, Caution: Use carefully, dose reduction is/may be necessary		

Dose reduction for hepatic and renal dysfunction- intravenous II		
	Hepatic function	Renal function
5-FU	TB >5: Omit	X
Gemcitabine	X	X
Goserelin	X	X
Leucovorin	X	X
Methotrexate	TB 3.1-5 or AST>180: -25%, TB >5: Omit	Ccr 30-60: -50%, Ccr <30: Omit
Paclitaxel	TB >5 or AST>180: Omit	X
Vinorelbine	TB 2-3: -50% TB 3.1-5: -75% TB>5: Omit	X
Eribulin	Child-Pugh Class A: 1.1 mg/m ² Child-Pugh Class B: 0.7 mg/m ² Child-Pugh Class C: Omit	Ccr 15-49: 1.1 mg/m ² Ccr < 15: Omit HD: 80%
Ixabepilone	Combine Xeloda TB > 1 or ALT/AST > 2.5 x ULN : Omit Monotherapy TB < 1.5 and ALT/AST < 10 x ULN: 32 mg/m ² TB > 1.5-3 and ALT/AST=10 x ULN: initial 20 mg/m ² , Max dose=30 mg/m ² TB > 3 and ALT/AST>10 x ULN: Omit	Crea > 1.5 x ULN: no data
X: No recommendation, N/A: Not available, UNL: Upper normal limit, Caution: Use carefully, dose reduction is/may be necessary		

Dose reduction for hepatic and renal dysfunction- per os		
	Hepatic function	Renal function
Capecitabine	X	Ccr 30-50: -25%, Ccr <30: Omit
Cyclophosphamide	TB 3-5 or AST>180: -25%, TB>5:Omit	Ccr 10-50: -25%, Ccr <10: -50%
Etoposide	TB 1.5-3,or AST 60-180:-50%, TB >3 or AST>180: Omit	Ccr 10-50: -25%, Ccr <10: -50%
Lapatinib	Caution	X
Leucovorin	X	X
Megestrol acetate	X	N/A
Methotrexate	TB 3.1-5 or AST>180: -25%, TB >5: Omit	Ccr 30-60: -50%, Ccr <30: Omit
Tamoxifen	X	N/A
Vinorelbine	TB 2-3: -50% TB 3.1-5: -75% TB>5: Omit	X
X: No recommendation, N/A: Not available, UNL: Upper normal limit, Caution: Use carefully, dose reduction is/may be necessary		

Summary of Guidelines Updates in RT vs 2021

Presented in RO Guideline Meeting on 2022/06/15

- Lumpectomy changed to breast-conserving surgery (BCS)
- In Abbreviated Guidelines for post-BCS RT, for 1-3 positive axilla nodes, criteria modified for consistency with NCCN guideline.
- IORT is not listed nor discussed in the 2022 NCCN guideline and should be restricted to patients who meet the “suitable criteria” of 2016 ASTRO APBI consensus and 2020 ESTRO IORT Task Force/ACROP recommendations.
- References are updated.

Abbreviated Guidelines For Post-Operative Radiotherapy

• Post-breast conserving surgery (BCS)

- Usually indicated for all BCS cases,
- 40-42.5Gy in 15-16 fractions (**preferred for no regional nodal irradiation**) or 45-50.4Gy to whole breast in 1.8~2 Gy per fraction
- Conventional fractionation may be preferred when treating breast cancer with rare histologies
- With or without **10~16Gy** boost to the tumor bed in **2~2.5 Gy** per fraction
A boost to the tumor bed is recommended in higher risk patients (age ≤ 50, age 51-70 with high grade, positive axillary nodes, lymphovascular invasion, or positive or close margins).
- **Simultaneous integrated boost (SIB)** to CTV_H with fraction size up to 2.2 Gy to shorten RT treatment time by one week
- **Optional** for patient age ≥ 70 with T1N0, hormone receptor positive disease of low to intermediate grade and adequate (≥ 2mm) surgical margin
- For patients with 1-3 positive axillary nodes disease who
(1) meet **ALL** ACOSOG Z0011 criteria (cT1-2N0M0, underwent lumpectomy with planned whole breast radiation, 1-2 positive SLN, negative margin, no preoperative chemotherapy), regional nodal irradiation (RNI) with or without intentional inclusion of axilla is at the discretion of radiation oncologist
(2) do not meet ALL ACOSOG Z0011 criteria, inclusion of any portion of undissected axilla at risk

• Post-mastectomy

- Indications:
 - pN2 or pN3 (≥ 4 positive nodes or positive IMN)
 - pT3 (>5cm) or pT4
 - Positive margins
 - Strongly recommended for pT2N1a, and pT1N1a with ENE (extranodal extension), pT1-2N1 with triple negative breast cancer, pT1-2N1 with 3 positive LNs
 - Optional for pT1N1 without ENE
 - Optional for pT1-2N0-1 with close margin < 1mm
- 50-54Gy in 25-30 fractions (1.8~2Gy per fraction)
- Optional focal boost for positive margins or residual tumor

• Post neoadjuvant RT

- Indications for post-operative RT and target volume delineation are usually based on the maximal disease stage at diagnosis and pathology results after neoadjuvant chemotherapy.

• Irradiation of Internal Mammary Node (IMN)

- If IMN are clinically or pathologically positive, RT should be given to the IMN, otherwise the treatment to



Principles of Radiation Therapy

- **Post-BCS Radiation Therapy**

- **Hypofractionated whole breast irradiation (HF-WBI) is preferred for invasive breast cancer without covering regional lymph nodes, and DCIS**
 - 45 Gy in 20 fractions or 40~42.5 Gy in 15~16 fractions for DCIS if margin ≥ 2 mm
 - 40~42.5 Gy in 15~16 fractions for IDC if margin ≥ 2 mm
 - For age ≤ 50 , or high grade, positive or margin < 2 mm, tumor bed boost should be given after HF-WBI
- **Simultaneous Integrated Boost (SIB) to CTV_H with fraction size up to 2.2 cGy could be used to shorten RT treatment time by one week**
 - 55 Gy & 45 Gy in 25 fractions to primary tumor surgical bed and whole breast, respectively,
 - For DCIS with margin < 2 mm
 - For IDC with margins > 1 mm
 - 60.2 Gy & 50.4 Gy in 28 fractions to primary tumor surgical bed and whole breast, respectively, for IDC with margins ≤ 1 mm

- **Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation (APBI)**

- **Brachytherapy (interstitial or intracavitary)**
- **EBRT: 3DCRT or IMRT**
- **Intra-Operative Radiation Therapy (IORT)**

- **Post-mastectomy Radiation Therapy**

- **Irradiation of IMN**



Post-BCS Radiotherapy

• Surgical Margin Status

- Patients with a positive margin should generally undergo either a re-excision or a mastectomy to achieve a negative margin.
- It may be reasonable to treat selected BCS cases with a microscopically focally positive margin in the absence of an extensive intraductal component. For these patients, the use of a higher radiation boost dose to the tumor bed should be considered.

• Clinical Target Volume (CTV)

- CTV_H: Tumor bed, marked by surgical clips or post-operative seroma, with optional 5~10mm margin
- CTV_M:
 - N0 diseases: Whole Breast Only
 - N0i+: Whole Breast +/- Supraclavicular Fossa (including level III axillary fossa)
 - pN1: Whole Breast +/- Supraclavicular Fossa (including level III axillary fossa). Patients who meet **ALL ACOSOG Z0011** criteria (cT1-2N0M0, underwent lumpectomy with planned whole breast radiation, 1-2 positive SLN, negative margin, no preoperative chemotherapy), RNI is at the discretion of radiation oncologist; if not ALL criteria are met, inclusion of any portion of undissected axilla at risk
 - pN2 or more: Whole Breast and Supraclavicular Fossa (including level III axillary fossa)
- See Internal Mammary Node Irradiation for the inclusion criteria of IMN in CTV

• Planning Target Volume (PTV)

- Dual Respiration Phase CT Simulation or 4D CT Simulation
 - 5mm around ITV (Internal Target Volume) with flash out of skin in tangential fields
- Conventional CT Simulation (If dual phase CT simulation is not feasible)
 - 1cm around CTV with flash out of skin in tangential field

• Radiation Dose

- CTV_M:
 - 45-50.4Gy in 25-28 fractions (1.8~2Gy per fraction)
 - 40-42.5 Gy in 15-16 fractions
- CTV_H:
 - Negative margin: 10 Gy boost in 4-5 fractions
 - Focally positive margin 14-16 Gy in 7-8 fractions or 12.5 Gy in 5 fractions
- See Internal Mammary Node Irradiation for the dose to IMN

• Radiation Technique

- CT Simulation with 3D-CRT/IMRT* treatment planning
*Breath-hold or other measure should be used to reduce target motion during IMRT
- Whole Breast Irradiation
 - 3D Split-beam tangential fields or IMRT*
- Supraclavicular Irradiation
 - Anterior split-beam for junction matching of 3D split-beam tangential field, or IMRT*
- Boost to CTV_H
 - 3D coplanar or non-coplanar boost
 - Appositional Electron Beam Boost
 - Brachytherapy Boost
 - Simultaneous Integrated Boost (SIB) with fraction size up to 220cGy could be used to shorten RT treatment time by one week

• Timing of Radiation Therapy

Within 6 weeks after the BCS or after the last course of adjuvant chemotherapy



Post-mastectomy Radiotherapy

• Indications

- pN2 or pN3 (≥ 4 positive nodes or positive IMN)
- pT3 ($>5\text{cm}$) or pT4
- Positive margins
- Strongly recommended for pT2N1a, and pT1N1a with ENE (extranodal extension), pT1-2N1 with triple negative breast cancer, pT1-2N1 with 3 positive LNs
- Optional for pT1N1 without ENE
- Optional for pT1-2N0-1 with close margin $< 1\text{mm}$

• Clinical Target Volume (CTV)

- CTV_H:
 - Chest Wall and Supraclavicular Fossa (Including level III axillary fossa) for most cases
 - Chest Wall only, optional for cases with pT3N0 or N0+positive margin

• Planning Target Volume (PTV)

- Dual Respiration Phase CT Simulation or 4D CT Simulation
 - 5mm around ITV (Internal Target Volume) with flash out of skin in tangential fields
- Convention CT Simulation (If dual phase CT simulation is not feasible)
 - 1cm around CTV with flash out of skin in tangential field

• Radiation Dose

- CTV_H:
 - 50-54Gy in 25-30 fractions (1.8~2Gy per fraction)
 - Optional focal boost to scar
 - Focal boost if positive margins or residual tumor
- See Internal Mammary Node Irradiation for the dose to IMN

• Radiation Technique

- CT Simulation with 3D-CRT/IMRT* treatment planning
 - *Breath-hold or other measure should be used to reduce target motion during IMRT
- Chest Wall Irradiation
 - 3D Split-beam tangential fields or 3D appositional electron beam field or IMRT*
 - Optimal application of bolus material to achieve adequate skin dose
- Supraclavicular Irradiation
 - Anterior split-beam for junction matching of 3D split-beam tangential field or IMRT*

• Timing of Radiation Therapy

Within 6 weeks after the mastectomy or after the last course of adjuvant chemotherapy.



Irradiation of Internal Mammary Node (IMN)

- If IMN are clinically or pathologically positive, radiation therapy should be given to the internal mammary nodes, otherwise the treatment to the IMN is at the discretion of the treating radiation oncologist.
- If IMN irradiation should be planned as part of the post-operative radiotherapy after lumpectomy or after mastectomy, the dose to the additional target volume of IMN depends the extent of surgery.
- **Clinical Target Volume (CTV)**
 - CTV_H_IMN: GTV of residual IMN
 - CTV_M_IMN: Post IMN Resection CTV to the cranial of border of 4th rib
- **Planning Target Volume (PTV)**
 - Dual Respiration Phase CT Simulation or 4D CT Simulation
 - A 5mm around ITV (Internal Target Volume)
 - Convention CT Simulation (If dual phase CT simulation is not feasible)
 - 1cm around CTV with flash out of skin in tangential field
- **Radiation Dose**
 - CTV_H_IMN:
60~70Gy in 30~35 fractions
 - CTV_M_IMN:
45~50.4Gy in 25~28 fractions
- **Radiation Technique**
 - 3-D conformal radiation or IMRT*.



Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation (APBI)

- Per NCCN guideline 2022, APBI is encouraged to be performed in clinical trial.
- APBI could be considered in selected low-risk patients after lumpectomy, per the “suitable criteria” of the 2016 American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) consensus, if:
 - Tumor size: Invasive $\leq 2\text{cm}$; DCIS $\leq 2.5\text{cm}$
 - ER+, preferably luminal A, age ≥ 50
 - Unifocal primary tumor
 - N0, no lymph node metastases
 - DCIS with Nottingham grade 1-2
 - No BRCA mutation (if tested)
 - Invasive cancer, without EIC and LCIS
 - Adequate surgical margin
 - Invasive $\geq 2\text{mm}$, DCIS $\geq 3\text{mm}$,
- Clinical Target Volume (CTV)
 - CTV_H: Tumor bed plus 1 cm margin.
- Planning Target Volume (PTV)
 - Dual respiration phase CT simulation or 4D CT simulation
 - A 5mm around ITV (Internal Target Volume) when using photon radiation
 - Convention CT Simulation (If dual phase CT simulation is not feasible)
 - 1cm around CTV with flash out of skin in tangential field
- Radiation Dose
 - CTV_H:
 - **34 Gy in 10 fractions** delivered twice per day with brachytherapy
 - **38.5 Gy in 10 fractions** delivered twice per day with photon radiation
- Radiation Technique
 - Brachytherapy or 3-D external beam conformal radiation or IMRT.
- Timing of Radiation Therapy
 - Within 6 weeks after the BCS or after the last course of adjuvant chemotherapy.



Intra-Operative Radiation Therapy (IORT) in BCS

- IORT is an extreme form of APBI, and should be performed only as part of a prospective trial.
- If not trial eligible, per the “**suitable criteria**” of the consensus statement of the ASTRO, IORT should be reserved for patients with negative surgical margin and a low risk of recurrence, should be avoided in patients with **diagnosis of invasive lobular carcinoma, positive margin, EIC and/or LCIS.**
 - 14% of Target-A requiring additional post-Op EBRT
- One of the most important differences of IORT from APBI is that the permanent pathology report of BCS is not available, and hence there is chance that IORT is applied to unsuitable cases with false negative frozen report of positive margin and/or positive sentinel node.
- If permanent pathology report shows adverse features, additional local treatment, either surgery or further external beam RT, is indicated. The patient should be well informed of the increased complication associated in this circumstance.
- **IORT is not currently endorsed or discussed in NCCN 2022 Breast Cancer Treatment Guideline.**
 - Update results of TARGIT trial, the 5-year IBTR 3.3% in IORT vs. 1.3 % in WBI (p=0.042)
- **Clinical Target Volume (CTV)**
 - Surface of surgical cavity.
- **Planning Target Volume (PTV)**
 - No PTV with IORT
- **Radiation Dose**
 - CTV_H:
 - 20Gy single fraction per TARGIT-A trial
- **Radiation Technique**
 - Brachytherapy with suitable radiation source
- **Timing of Radiation Therapy**

During BCS with frozen section report confirming negative margin, negative sentinel node, and other criteria listed in “suitable criteria” of 2016 ASTRO APBI consensus statement.



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