The Current and Future Role of Oncologic Immunotherapies in the Management of Genitourinary Cancers

CME INFORMATION

TARGET AUDIENCE

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OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY

The past several years have seen an explosion in the emergence of new potential 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. Although they may be diverse in terms of their biology and current clinical management, genitourinary (GU) cancers — prostate cancer, renal cell carcinoma (RCC), bladder cancer, et cetera — are unified in their potential as fertile ground for immunologic therapy and research and have been at the forefront of both past and current efforts in this regard. Not surprisingly, with the many exciting advances rapidly occurring both within the field of GU tumors and elsewhere, a number of vexing questions and clinical challenges are emerging simultaneously.

These video proceedings from a CME symposium held during the 2015 Genitourinary Cancers Symposium feature discussions with leading investigators in the management of prostate, renal and bladder cancer regarding actual patient cases and related clinical research findings. By providing information on important immunotherapeutic developments, this activity will assist medical and radiation oncologists, urologists and other healthcare professionals to address existing management uncertainties and determine the current role and future potential of immunotherapeutic interventions in patients with common GU cancers.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Develop a basic understanding of the human immune response, and identify the underlying mechanisms by which various tumor types evade this process to proliferate and grow.
- Analyze the biologic basis for various immunotherapeutic strategies designed to boost an individual's immune response to combat cancer.

- Effectively apply evidence-based research findings to appropriately integrate available immunotherapeutics into the management of advanced prostate cancer and RCC.
- Compare and contrast the mechanisms of action, efficacy and safety/toxicity of approved and investigational immunotherapies for the treatment of prostate cancer, RCC, bladder cancer and other GU tumors to determine the current and/or potential utility of each in clinical practice.
- Appraise the rationale for and clinical data with investigational anti-PD-1 and anti-PD-L1 antibodies in patients with metastatic RCC and bladder cancer.
- Recognize immune-related adverse events and other common side effects associated with approved and developmental immunotherapeutics in order to offer supportive management strategies.
- Recall the design of ongoing clinical trials evaluating novel immunotherapeutic approaches, and counsel appropriately selected patients with GU cancers about availability and participation.

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