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Breast Cancer Disparities: Triple Negative Breast Cancer



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Learning Objectives

- Review racial difference in the outcomes in patients with cancer, including patients with both hematologic and solid tumors
- Evaluate sociodemographic, physician, and hospital factors that can help identify potentially modifiable patient and health care system factors that may underlie persistent racial disparities in receipt and quality of therapy
- Develop efforts to improve access to care, enhance diversity in the healthcare workforce, navigate minority cancer patients through the healthcare system, and enhance adherence to cancer-specific best practice





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Breast Cancer Disparities: High-Risk/Triple Negative Breast Cancer and African Ancestry





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Breast Cancer Burden of African Americans

- Higher mortality
- Advantage stage distribution
- Younger age distribution
- Increased risk of adverse tumor features
- Higher incidence of male breast cancer

- Socioeconomic Disparities
- Tumor biology
- Genetics
- Lifestyle & Reproductive Experiences
- Environmental exposures
- Diet/Nutrition







Frequently-Asked Question in United States: Is race a sociopolitical construct or a genetic/biologic entity?





SES-Adjusted Meta-Analysis, 2006 >13K AA & 75K WA Breast CA Pts; 19 Studies



AA Mortality Risk: 1.28 (95% CI 1.18-1.38)

Newman et al, JCO 2006





Breast Cancer Burden of African Americans Compared to White Americans

- Higher mortality
- Advantage stage distribution
- Younger age distribution

 30-40% AA <50; 20% WA < 50
- Higher risk of adverse tumor features
 - Two-fold higher rates TNBC in AA vs WA
- Higher incidence of Inflammatory Breast Cancer
- Higher incidence of male breast cancer

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- Delivery of Care
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Disentangling SES and Inherent Racial/Ethnic Cancer Risks Clinical Trials Data

Pooled analysis of SWOG adjuvanttherapy trials for various cancers

- Equal treatments delivered through clinical trials resulted in equal outcomes (regardless of race/ethnicity)
- Exception: African Americans with hormonally-driven cancers (e.g. breast & prostate cancers)
 - 30-40% higher recurrence and mortality hazard rates for African American breast cancer patients on SWOG adjuvant therapy trials

Albain et al, JNCI 2009





TIME.com August 22, 2009



"Why Racial Profiling Persists in Medical Research"





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SEER Program: Breast Cancer Incidence and Mortality Rates, 1973-2007



Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results Program; Cancer.gov

"Parsing the Etiology of Breast Cancer Disparities"

Newman, JCO 2016





Disparities in Breast Tumor Biology: ER-Negative Breast Cancer in the U.S.



ER-Negative Breast Cancer in the U.S.

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Breast Cancer Subtypes: TNBC accounts for >80% of Basal Subtype



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Increased Prevalence of TNBC Among AA Patients Regardless of Age or Stage at Diagnosis



TNBC more common with more advanced stages, and in AA women at all stages of disease



Breast Cancer Res Treat (2009) 113 : 357





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CA: A Cancer Journal for Clinicians 29 OCT 2015

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Population-Based Incidence Rates of TNBC, by Race/Ethnicity and Age: Implications for Screening Recommendations

• Delayed mammography screening may worsen breast CA outcome disparities between AA and WA women







Clinical Relevance of Triple Negative Breast Cancer



- Inherently more aggressive pattern of breast cancer
- Fewer systemic therapy options for TNBC: no targeted therapies
- More common in African American women and in families with BRCA1 hereditary cancer susceptibility
- More challenging to detect on mammogram
 - more often mammographically-occult
 - may masquerade as benign lesion
- More likely to present as an interval cancer
- Higher mortality rate even when detected early



Early Stage TNBC: Detection and Outcomes

| | T1a/b N0 | | | | |
|---|----------|--------|--|--|--|
| | СТХ | No CTX | | | |
| 5-Yr Locoregional Recurrence-Free Survival | 96.2% | 96% | | | |
| 5-Yr Distant Mets-Free Survival | 95.9% | 94.5% | | | |

Memorial Sloan Kettering

- Ho et al, Cancer 2012
- 194 T1a/b N0 TNBC; 1999-2006
- 69% screen-detected

| | T1a | NO | T1b N0 | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|
| | СТХ | No CTX | СТХ | No CTX | | |
| 5-Yr Overall Survival | 100% | 94% | 96% | 91% | | |
| 5-Yr Distant Mets-Free Survival | 100% | 93% | 96% | 90% | | |

National Comprehensive Cancer Network

- Vaz-Luis et al, JCO 2014
- 363 T1a/b N0 TNBC; 2000-09
- 75% screen-detected





TNBC Outcomes and Early Detection: Henry Ford Health System Experience 2011-15

Mammography screen-detection strongest predictor of improved survival in TNBC patients





Current Screening Mammography Guidelines: Agreement regarding ACCESS to mammography beginning at age 40 yrs

| American Academy of Family Physicians | Women ages 50-74 years should undergo biennial screening mammography Women 40-49 yrs should make an individualized decision regarding screening mammography after considering risks and benefits |
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| American Cancer Society | Initiate annual screening mammography at age 45 years Transition to biennial screening mammography at age 55 Annual mammography should be available to women at age 40 years |
| American Coll OB-GYN | Annual mammography should be offered beginning at age 40 years |
| American Coll Radiology; Soc. of Breast Imaging | Women should have annual mammography beginning at age 40 years |
| American Soc. of Breast Surgeons | Women should have annual mammography beginning at age 40 years Shared decision-making regarding annual versus biennial mammographic screening for women aged 55 and older Biennial mammography screening for women over age 75 with life expectancy at least ten years |
| NCCN | Women should have annual mammography beginning at age 40 years |
| US Preventive Services Task Force | Women ages 50-74 should undergo biennial screening mammography Women 40-49 yrs should make an individualized decision regarding screening mammography after considering risks and benefits Insufficient evidence available to make recommendations for women age 75 years and older |





Henry Ford Health System (HFHS) Benign Breast Disease Cohort



- Benign Breast Disease Cohort, 1994-2005
 - -2,588 African Americans
 - -3,566 White Americans
 - Follow-up (>10 years) and overall subsequent breast cancer detection rates (4%) as well as stage distribution similar for AA and WA pts





High-Risk Breast Cancer and African Ancestry





- Parallels between hereditary breast cancer and breast cancer in women with African ancestry
 - -younger age distribution
 - -increased prevalence of ER-neg, aneuploid tumors
 - -higher risk of male breast cancer
- Is African ancestry associated with a heritable marker for high-risk breast cancer subtypes?
- Unique opportunity to gain insights regarding etiology of breast cancer disparities *and* the pathogenesis of triple-negative breast cancer



Breast Cancer Phenotypes in WA, AA, Ghanaians and Ethiopians







Biologic Plausibility: "Oncologic Anthropology" African Diaspora/ Patterns of Forced Population Migration







TNBC-Specific Risk Assessment (Case Series)



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| | By SNP Genotypes (Dominant Model) | | | | | | | By SP Alleles (Dosage model) | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------|------------------|------------------|---------|----------------------|
| SNP ID | Minor Allele | OR | SE | lower 95% Cl | upper 95% Cl | P-value | adjusted P-value | OR2 | SE2 | lower 95% Cl4 | upper 95% Cl5 | P-value | adjusted P-value2 |
| rs2814778 Duffy-null | С | 7.175 | 0.3022 | 3.968 | 12.97 | <0.0001 | 0.0473 | 3.189 | 0.1602 | 2.33 | 4.364 | <0.0001 | 0.000345 |
| rs13000023 | Α | 0.259 | 0.78 | 0.0562 | 1.196 | 0.08353 | 0.03085 | 0.603 | 0.474 | 0.2382 | 1.528 | 0.2864 | 0.04996 |
| rs2363956 | G | 0.274 | 1.127 | 0.0301 | 2.492 | 0.2503 | 0.07728 | 0.474 | 0.6857 | 0.1237 | 1.819 | 0.2768 | 0.03369 |
| rs2981578 | С | 0.444 | 1.126 | 0.0489 | 4.037 | 0.4713 | 0.8362 | 0.444 | 1.126 | 0.04893 | 4.037 | 0.4713 | 0.8362 |
| rs2981579 | G | 0.729 | 1.149 | 0.0767 | 6.932 | 0.7834 | 0.9271 | 0.964 | 0.6055 | 0.2943 | 3.158 | 0.9517 | 0.8631 |
| rs3112572 | A | 0.84 | 0.8047 | 0.1735 | 4.067 | 0.8285 | 0.7438 | 1.193 | 0.6292 | 0.3477 | 4.096 | 0.7787 | 0.936 |
| rs3745185 | А | 0.964 | 0.9019 | 0.1646 | 5.649 | 0.9678 | 0.8378 | 0.964 | 0.9019 | 0.1646 | 5.649 | 0.9678 | 0.8378 |
| rs4245739 | С | 0.759 | 0.7908 | 0.161 | 3.574 | 0.7268 | 0.7032 | 0.528 | 0.5591 | 0.1765 | 1.579 | 0.2533 | 0.2315 |
| rs4849887 | Т | 1.667 | 0.8028 | 0.3456 | 8.038 | 0.5246 | 0.1145 | 1.4 | 0.6246 | 0.4114 | 4.761 | 0.5905 | 0.1949 |
| rs609275 | С | 0.365 | 0.8613 | 0.0675 | 1.975 | 0.2421 | 0.5357 | 0.365 | 0.8613 | 0.06749 | 1.975 | 0.2421 | 0.5357 |





Global Distribution of Locally Adaptive Traits





Biologic Plausibility: "Oncologic Anthropology" and Duffy as a Candidate Gene t Explain Breast Cancer Disparities Related to African Ancestry



Malaria; Selection pressure for Duffy-null; African Diaspora





Modeled Cumulative Excess Deaths from Colorectal and Breast Cancers, 2020 to 2030*

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Sharpless N; Science 2020;368:1290







Addressing and Mitigating the Impact of Covid-19 on Breast Cancer Disparities

- Disproportionate impact on health care access
 - Covid recession unemployment 30-50% higher for AA compared to WA; loss of employment-based insurance
- Safety-net hospitals disproportionately devastated by costs of Covid care
 - AA rely disproportionately on safety-net hospitals for cancer care/screening
 - Safety-net hospitals serve as economic hub for many inner-city neighborhoods
- Impact on advocacy/philanthropic fundraising efforts
 - Many community outreach programs funded by advocacy organizations
- Adverse impact of Covid recession on research and hospital budgets
 - Support for disparities research and navigation services under threat
- Increased reliance on remote technology/video visits
 - Digital divide: no broadband/internet access in 36% AA vs 21% WA households











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