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Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer mortality in the United States in both men and women, resulting in more deaths than breast, prostate, colon and pancreatic cancer combined. Progress in the screening, prevention and treatment of this disease has been modest, and about 85 percent of patients who develop lung cancer will die from it. In addition, a sense of therapeutic nihilism has pervaded the medical community in the past. Chemotherapy, surgery and radiation therapy have had a modest effect on patient outcomes; however, recent improvements have been seen in time to progression and survival in lung cancer clinical trials. Published results from ongoing clinical trials lead to the continuous emergence of new therapeutic agents and changes in the indications for existing treatments. In order to offer optimal patient care — including the option of clinical trial participation — the practicing medical oncologist must be well informed of these advances. In order to incorporate research advances into developing treatment strategies for patients, the CME program *Meet The Professors* utilizes case-based discussions between community oncologists and clinical investigators.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Critically evaluate the clinical implications of emerging clinical trial data in lung cancer treatment and incorporate these data into management strategies in the adjuvant, neoadjuvant, locally advanced and metastatic settings.
- Counsel appropriately selected patients about the availability of ongoing clinical trials.
- Develop and explain a management strategy for treatment of elderly patients and those
 with poor performance status in the adjuvant, neoadjuvant, locally advanced and metastatic
 settings.
- Integrate emerging data on utilization of targeted molecular therapies and molecular and genetic assays in the development of individual management strategies for patients with lung cancer.
- Counsel patients with localized primary lung cancer about the risks and benefits of adjuvant chemotherapy.
- Identify the impact of smoking-related comorbidities on the treatment of patients with lung cancer and integrate smoking cessation into the management strategy for these patients.

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Case 1: An active 78-year-old woman with adenocarcinoma and bronchoalveolar features (from the practice of Dr William G Reeves)

Case 2: A 69-year-old woman with metastatic, poorly differentiated adenocarcinoma and a four-year response to six cycles of adjuvant carboplatin/paclitaxel (from the practice of Dr Atif M Hussein)

Case 3: A prior oligosmoker in her sixties, diagnosed with Stage IV adenocarcinoma, who enrolled in CALGB-30406 and was assigned to treatment with carboplatin/paclitaxel/erlotinib (from the practice of Dr Mark A Taylor)

Case 4: A 65-year-old woman with Stage IIIB multifocal bronchoalveolar carcinoma (from the practice of Dr Howard R Abel)

Case 5: A 68-year-old female nonsmoker with recurrent pleural effusions secondary to metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) (from the practice of Dr Kert D Sabbath)

Case 6: An 85-year-old woman with a performance status of 1-2 and Stage IIIB adenocarcinoma (from the practice of Dr Noor M Merchant)

Case 7: A 61-year-old female nonsmoker with Stage IV NSCLC (from the practice of Dr Noor M Merchant)

Case 8: An asymptomatic 58-year-old female nonsmoker with brain metastases secondary to adenocarcinoma (from the practice of Dr Samuel N Bobrow)

Case 9: A 64-year-old man s/p lobectomy for a four-centimeter Stage IB adenocarcinoma (from the practice of Dr Samuel N Bobrow)

Case 10: A 45-year-old female nonsmoker with Stage IIIB adenocarcinoma and palpable supraclavicular adenopathy (from the practice of Dr Paul L Weinstein)

Guide to Audio Program

Compact Disc 1: Tracks 1-4 — case from Dr Reeves; Tracks 5-14 — case from Dr Hussein; Tracks 15-21 — case from Dr Taylor

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