# Putting It in Perspective: Clinical Investigators Discuss the Use of Biomarkers to Guide Adjuvant Therapy for Breast and Colon Cancer

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#### OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY

Many controversies and clinical questions currently surround the management of localized breast and colorectal cancers. Central among these is the use and effectiveness of available biomarkers in guiding decision-making regarding adjuvant treatment. This CME program brings together leading clinical investigators in the fields of breast and colon cancer to provide perspectives on the development, assessment and clinical utility of select genomic assays and biomarkers that are available to assist clinicians managing these highly prevalent diseases. By reviewing available clinical trial data and relevant case scenarios, this initiative will help learners to ascertain the effectiveness of diagnostic, prognostic and predictive biomarkers as they relate to the adjuvant treatment of breast and/or colorectal cancer.

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Recognize the evolving application of biomarkers and multigene assays in the management of breast and colon
  cancer, and effectively use these tools to refine or individualize treatment plans for selected patients.
- Determine the utility of the Oncotype DX® Recurrence Score® assay in counseling patients with ER-positive
  early breast cancer about their risk of recurrence and the potential benefits of adjuvant chemotherapy.
- Counsel patients with Stage II and Stage III colon cancer about their individual risk of recurrence based on clinical, pathologic and genomic biomarkers, and consider adjuvant therapeutic options based on an evaluation of this information.
- Assess the utility of the Oncotype DX DCIS Score® assay in counseling patients with DCIS about their risk of recurrence and the potential benefits of radiation therapy.
- Evaluate the evidence-based benefits of adjuvant chemotherapy for patients with Stage II colon cancer and the risks and benefits of oxaliplatin-containing chemotherapy in lower-risk Stage III disease.
- Counsel appropriately selected patients about participation in ongoing clinical trials.

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#### QUESTIONS (PLEASE CIRCLE ANSWER):

- The Phase III RxPONDER study randomly assigns patients with ER-positive, HER2negative BC, 1 to 3 positive nodes and an Oncotype DX 21-gene RS of 25 or \_\_\_\_ to adjuvant endocrine therapy with or without chemotherapy.
  - a. Lower
  - b. Higher
- 2. The Oncotype DX 12-gene RS predicts recurrence risk in which of the following?
  - a. Stage II colon cancer
  - b. Stage III colon cancer
  - c. Both a and b
  - d. Neither a nor b
- 3. Which of the following statements is true about the direct comparison of risk classification among the MammaPrint, Oncotype DX and Mammostrat assays for patients with early-stage BC?
  - a. The 3 assays classify a large proportion of patients differently, resulting in significant discordance rates for all risk categories
  - b. Considerable homogeneity and concordance are seen across risk categories for all 3 assays
  - c. The 3 assays provide equivalent information and uniformly guide treatment decision-making
  - d. Both b and c
- The Oncotype DX assay for patients with DCIS who have undergone local excision, with or without tamoxifen, predicts the risk of local recurrence.
  - a. True
  - b. False

- Patients with colon cancer and an Oncotype DX 12-gene low-risk RS derive less absolute benefit from adjuvant oxaliplatin than do patients with a higher-risk RS.
  - a. True
  - b. False
- The Oncotype DX 21-gene RS \_\_\_\_\_\_ for patients with early-stage, node-negative, ER-positive invasive BC.
  - a. Predicts chemotherapy benefit
  - b. Predicts likelihood of distant breast cancer recurrence
  - c. Both a and b
  - d. Neither a nor b
- 7. In comparison to currently available multigene BC assays, which of the following is a limitation of the Adjuvant! Online program for patients with BC?
  - Lack of reliability in prognostic predictions
  - b. Prediction that all patients will benefit from adjuvant therapy to some extent
  - c. No limitations; both are equally useful
- 8. Which of the following statements is true about currently available multigene assays for early BC?
  - a. They are interchangeable for classifying patients into prognostic risk groups
  - b. Each is largely driven by estrogen receptor expression and proliferation
  - c. Each predicts benefit from adjuvant chemotherapy

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