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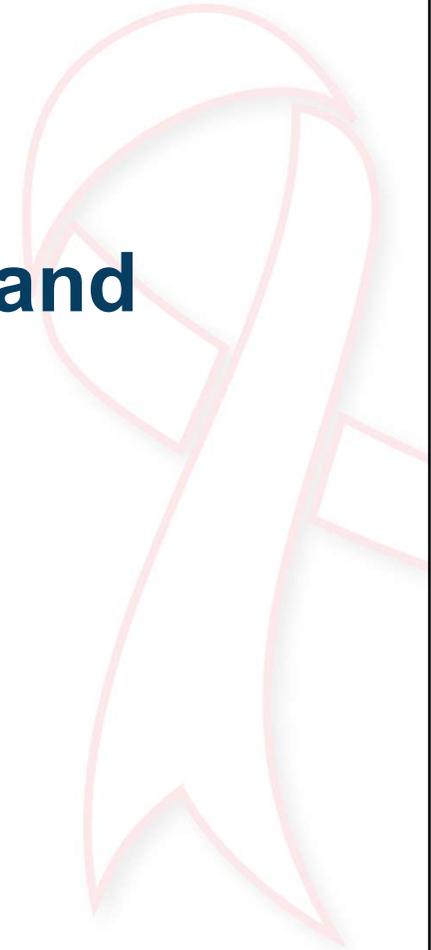
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SABCS 2025: Immunotherapy-related toxicity in breast cancer



10-minute roadmap

- What irAEs look like in breast cancer practice
- Predictive biomarkers emerging at SABCS 2025
- Toxicity monitoring / management strategies
- Special populations (age, race)

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SABCS 2025 abstracts with new insights on immunotherapy-related toxicity in breast cancer

Predictive biomarkers (3)

- PD1-10 (Alpert, *et al.*): Immune age acceleration → higher risk of grade 3–4 irAEs (periop pembrolizumab)
- PS1-01-05 (Wolf, *et al.*): Pre-treatment immune signatures (ImPrint+) predict pneumonitis
- PS1-03-04 (Li, *et al.*): Genomic factors & TMB associate with thyroid irAEs (tisnelizumab + chemo, TREND)

Toxicity monitoring & management (3)

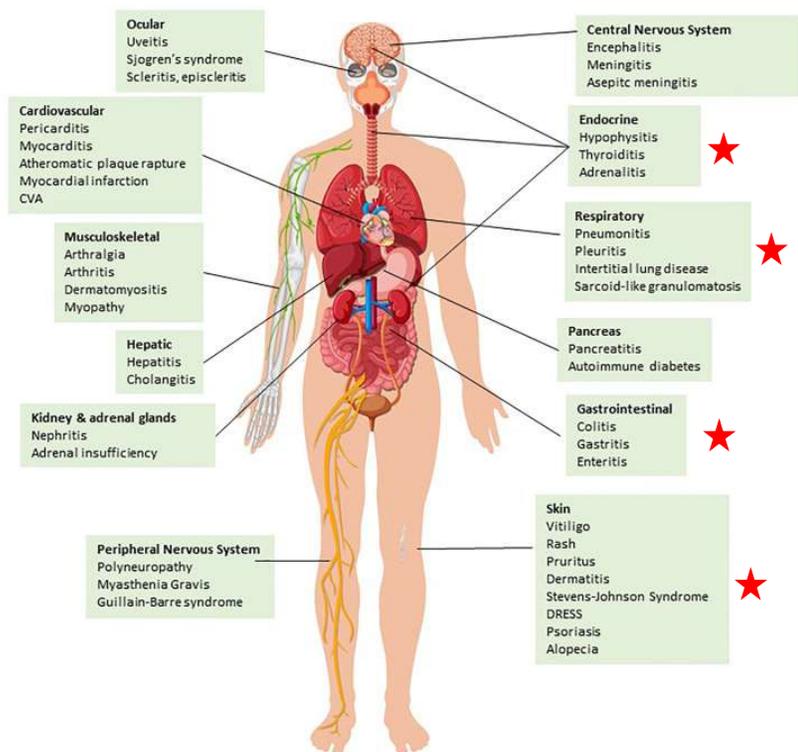
- PS1-01-09 (Kularni, *et al.*): Real-time HRCT monitoring workflow mitigates T-DXd + rilvegostomig ILD severity
- PS1-01-10 (Loirat, *et al.*): Chronic irAEs after neoadjuvant pembrolizumab (endocrine + cardiac signals)
- PS1-07-17 (El Fakih, *et al.*): Concurrent adjuvant RT + pembrolizumab safety in early TNBC (real-world)

Special populations (3)

- PS4-07-25 (Smith, *et al.*): Older adults (≥65) – high hospitalization/discontinuation and irAE burden
- PS4-07-26 (Patel, *et al.*): CMF + pembrolizumab as feasible option in older/comorbid KEYNOTE-522–ineligible
- PS2-04-13 (Brock, *et al.*): KN522 treatment toxicity by race

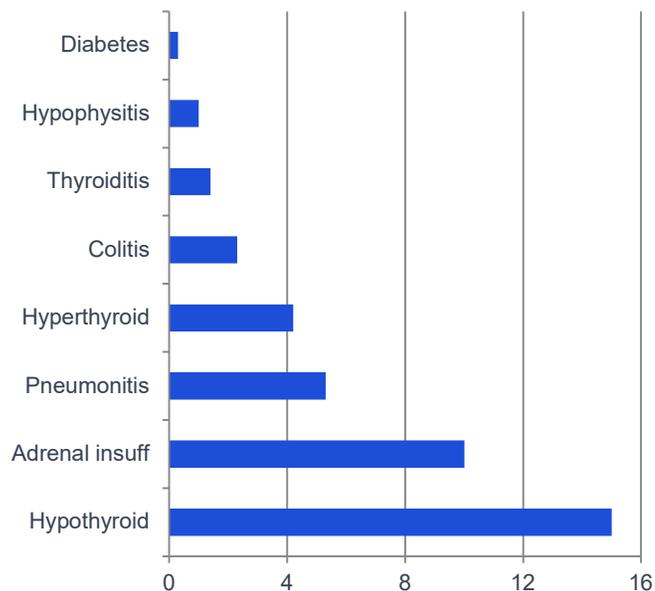
irAEs in breast cancer: typical organs & frequency

Breast cancer experience is dominated by endocrine, skin, GI and lung toxicities



Organ-system distribution of irAEs (Ibis et al., Frontiers in Immunology 2023).

Example incidence (I-SPY2 pooled IO arms, n=356)



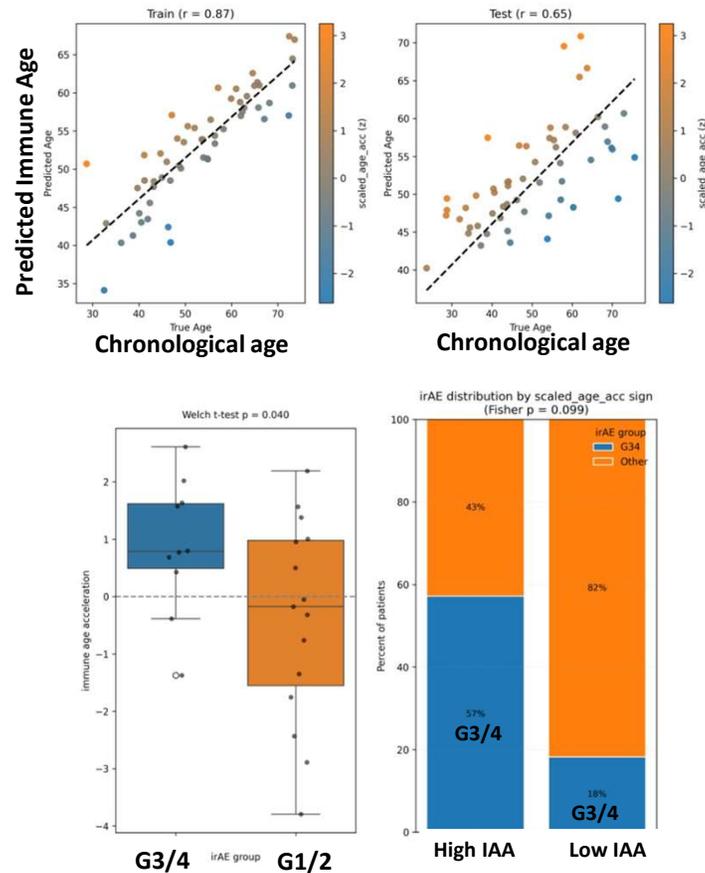
Note: regimen-/population-specific; chronic irAEs are increasingly recognized in curative TNBC.

Predictive biomarkers: Host & tumor immune features may help stratify pneumonitis and high-grade irAE risk

PD1-10 (Alpert, et al.) Immune Age Acceleration (IAA)

- Serum inflammatory proteomics → “immune age” outperformed chronological age in capturing baseline inflammation.
- Levels of 92 inflammatory proteins in serum using Olink® panel
- In TNBC perioperative pembrolizumab cohort (n=33), higher baseline IAA associated with grade 3–4 irAEs
 - 57% in high IAA group (n=14)
 - 18% in low IAA (n=11)

→ Hypothesis generating: host-centric risk score may guide treatment surveillance intensity



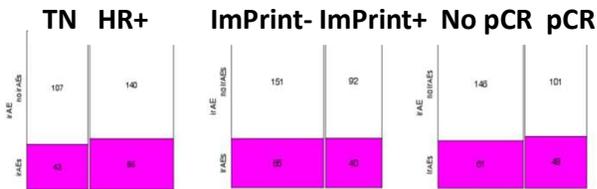
Orange = high IAA
Blue = low IAA

Predictive biomarkers: Host & tumor immune features may help stratify pneumonitis and high-grade irAE risk

PS1-01-05 (Wolf, et al.) — Pre-treatment immune signatures predict pneumonitis (I-SPY2 pooled IO arms)

- Across 5 IO arms (n=356), irAE prevalence ranged from 19-44% by IO arms with highest prevalence in dual-IO arms
 - irAEs did not associate with HR status, treatment response, or ImPrint (immune predictive) biomarker
 - Pneumonitis (5.3%)—but not other irAEs—associated with multiple immune signatures
 - Signals restricted to ImPrint+ tumors where PD-1 (PDCD1) mRNA predicted pneumonitis (**AUC 0.84**; specificity 91%).
- Candidate tumor + host immune context model pneumonitis risk; needs prospective validation

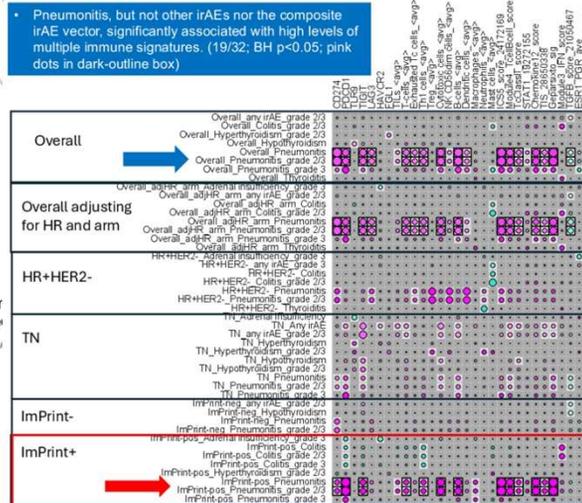
A: irAEs did not associate with HR, response, or ImPrint



Prevalence of irAEs did not differ significantly between HR+HER2- and TN (OR=1.2 [0.7-2]); nor between ImPrint- and ImPrint+ (OR=1.01 [0.6-1.7]). irAEs (any: yes/no) also did not differ between responders and non-responders (OR=1.14 [0.7-1.84]).

B. Associations between irAEs and immune signatures

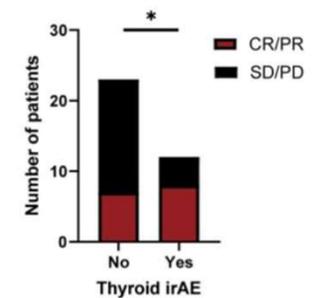
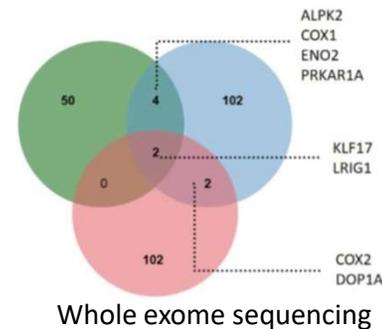
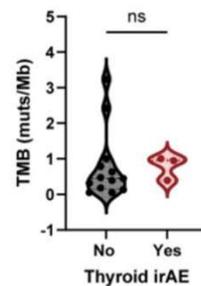
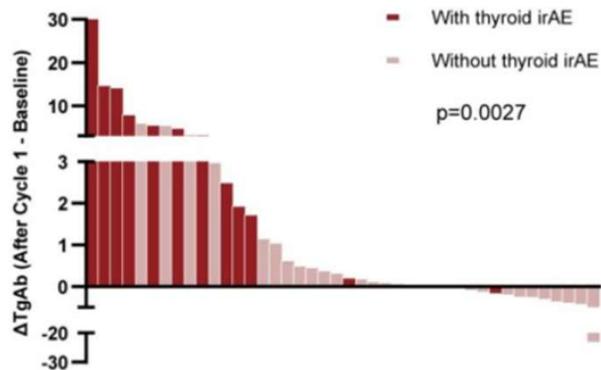
- Pneumonitis, but not other irAEs nor the composite irAE vector, significantly associated with high levels of multiple immune signatures. (19/32; BH p<0.05; pink dots in dark-outline box)



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PS1-03-04 (Li et al.) — Thyroid irAEs with tislelizumab + chemotherapy (TREND trial)

- TREND trial: phase II neoadjuvant tislelizumab (Q3w x 8 cycles) + chemotherapy (nab-paclitaxel Q1w x 12 + EC Q3w x 4), n=52
 - Thyroid irAEs occurred in 28% (mostly grade 1–2)
 - Baseline TMB did not correlate with thyroid irAEs
 - Clinical predictors: baseline TgAb+ and lower baseline FT3
 - Certain mutations (e.g., KLF17, LRIG1) may be associated with thyroid toxicity risk
- Hypothesis generating: baseline thyroid labs/antibodies may be a practical stratifier; tumor genomics possible but more difficult



Toxicity monitoring & management

Three pragmatic studies: chronic irAEs, ILD workflows, and RT + ICI safety

PS1-01-10 (Loirat D, et al.) Chronic irAEs

- Real-world KEYNOTE-522 regimen (n=203): chronic irAEs in 36.5%.
- Endocrine dominated (79% of chronic irAEs):
 - hypothyroid 62%
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- Cardiac myocarditis reported in 4.9%; managed with steroids.

→ Implication for survivorship planning + endocrine/cardiac follow-up.

PS1-01-09 (Kularni T, et al.) Proactive ILD monitoring

- I-SPY2.2: T-DXd + rilvegostomig, intensive safety workflow.
- ILD incidence 15.7% in first 51 pts; all detected by HRCT q6w. 50% were asymptomatic.
- PFTs/6MWT did not add early detection and were dropped.

→ In IO+ADC settings, protocolized HRCT may catch

PS1-07-17 (El Fakih A, et al.) RT + pembrolizumab safety

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- No grade ≥3 toxicities
- **More grade 1 radiodermatitis with RT+Pembro (83% vs 44%).**
- 2 cases grade 1 pulmonary toxicity in RT+P; no cardiac toxicity signal (mean heart dose ~1.8 Gy).

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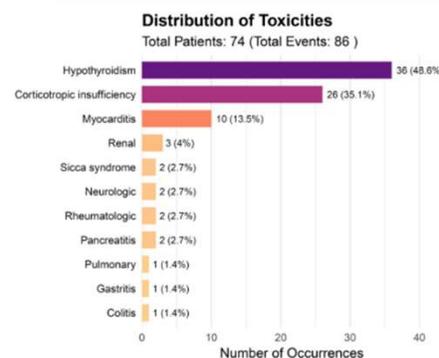
RESULTS

| Characteristic | N = 203 |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Median age (range) | 49 (22–74) years |
| Germline BRCA1/2 mutation | 30 (14.8%) |
| Histology | 187 (92.1%) invasive carcinoma of no special type |
| Pathological complete response (pCR) | 142 (70%) |
| Autoimmune disease history | 6 (3%) |
| Tumor size | T1–2: 150 (74%); T3–4: 52 (26%) |
| Nodal status | N0: 80 (40%); N+: 122 (60%) |
| Neoadjuvant pembrolizumab | 203 (100%, at least one dose) |
| Adjuvant pembrolizumab | 120 (59%, at least one dose) |
| Did not receive adjuvant treatment | 83 (41%) |
| Median number of pembrolizumab cycles | 10 (range 1–17) |

Table 1. Study population and main characteristics

- Ten patients (4.9%) experienced multiple chronic irAEs
- No deaths related to immune-mediated toxicity were observed

Chronic irAEs occurred in 36.5% of patients (n = 74)



- **Endocrine:** 79% (hypothyroidism 62%, corticotropin insufficiency 45%; 7% had both)
- **Cardiac:** 4.9% (n = 10; all myocarditis)
- **Sicca syndrome:** 1.0% (n = 2) characterized by dryness of the eyes and mouth due to reduced tear and saliva production, often linked to autoimmune disorders such as Sjögren's syndrome.

Management



- ✓ corticosteroids and standard cardioprotective therapies;
- ✓ No patient required second-line immunosuppression



- ✓ Long-term hormone replacement therapy was administered to all patients, with levothyroxine for hypothyroidism and hydrocortisone for corticotropin insufficiency resulting from immunotherapy.
- ✓ No cases of functional recovery observed.

Toxicity monitoring & management

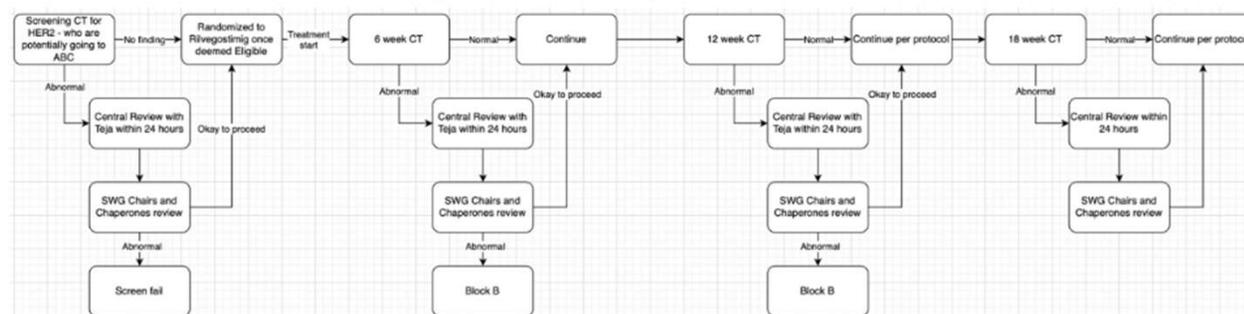
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Figure 1: Real-time study workflow



Real-time study workflow in a study of combination of trastuzumab deruxtecan and rilvegostomig administered every 3 weeks in the I-SPY2.2 phase 2 platform trial. CT scans were considered abnormal if new ground-glass opacities, nodules, infiltrates, or fibrotic changes were present. Per protocol, a diagnosis of pneumonitis (any grade) prompted transition to Block B upon confirmation of resolution of CT findings and symptoms. HRCT: High resolution computed tomography; PFTs: Pulmonary Function Test; 6MWT: Six-minute Walk test

Toxicity monitoring & management

Concurrent RT + ICI safety

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→ Supports feasibility with RT + pembrolizumab while awaiting long-term toxicity assessment.

| Toxicity (CTCAE v5, graded) | Total (n=89) | % | Concurrent RT-pembrolizumab (n=48) | % | Pembrolizumab withheld (n=41) | % | p-value |
|---|--------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Early radiation-induced toxicity | | | | | | | |
| Radiodermatitis | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 28 | 31.5 % | 8 | 16.7 % | 20 | 48.8 % | <0.001 |
| grade 1 | 58 | 65.2 % | 40 | 83.3 % | 18 | 43.9 % | |
| grade 2 | 3 | 3.4 % | 0 | 0 % | 3 | 7.3 % | |
| Esophagitis | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 84 | 94.4 % | 47 | 97.9 % | 37 | 90.2 % | 0.265 |
| grade 1 | 4 | 4.5 % | 1 | 2.1 % | 3 | 7.3 % | |
| grade 2 | 1 | 1.1 % | 0 | 0 % | 1 | 2.4 % | |
| Oedema | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 82 | 92.1 % | 43 | 89.6 % | 39 | 95.1 % | 0.567 |
| grade 1 | 7 | 7.9 % | 5 | 10.4 % | 2 | 4.9 % | |
| Xerodermia | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 86 | 96.6 % | 47 | 97.9 % | 39 | 95.1 % | 0.89 |
| grade 1 | 3 | 3.4 % | 1 | 2.1 % | 2 | 4.9 % | |
| Pruritis | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 86 | 96.6 % | 46 | 95.8 % | 40 | 97.6 % | 0.236 |
| grade 1 | 2 | 2.2 % | 2 | 4.2 % | 0 | 0 % | |
| grade 2 | 1 | 1.1 % | 0 | 0 % | 1 | 2.4 % | |
| Tracheitis | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 87 | 97.8 % | 46 | 95.8 % | 41 | 100 % | 0.546 |
| grade 1 | 2 | 2.2 % | 2 | 4.2 % | 0 | 0 % | |
| Pain | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 87 | 97.8 % | 47 | 97.9 % | 40 | 97.6 % | 1 |
| grade 1 | 2 | 2.2 % | 1 | 2.1 % | 1 | 2.4 % | |
| Late radiation-induced toxicity | | | | | | | |
| Oedema | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 88 | 98.9 % | 47 | 97.9 % | 41 | 100 % | 1 |
| grade 1 | 1 | 1.1 % | 1 | 2.1 % | 0 | 0 % | |
| Lung fibrosis | | | | | | | |
| grade 0 | 87 | 97.8 % | 46 | 95.8 % | 41 | 100 % | 0.546 |
| grade 1 | 2 | 2.2 % | 2 | 4.2 % | 0 | 0 % | |

Special Populations: Older patients

PS4-07-25 (Smith, et al.) Older adults (≥65)

- n=85 (median age 70) treated with pembrolizumab-containing neoadjuvant regimens.
- 50% did not have anthracycline
- pCR 43%
- Hospitalization 41%; early discontinuation 41%; irAEs 39% (about half required steroids).
- 3 treatment-attributed deaths (incl. pneumonitis) reported.
- Age >70: higher odds of irAE and lower relative dose intensity.

PS4-07-26 (Patel, et al.) KEYNOTE-522–ineligible

- Retrospective analysis
 - CMF + pembrolizumab (n=10) for comorbid/PS-limited pts.
 - Median age 81
 - 60% with ≥ 1 comorbidities
 - ECOG 0-2 (median=1)
 - Low acute toxicity: 1 grade 3 colitis → pembrolizumab stop + hospitalization; otherwise minimal TRAE-driven stops.
 - pCR 56% among 9 with surgery info (1 has not gone to surgery)
- alternative chemotherapy backbones may widen access for the very old/ high comorbid pts

Special populations: Race

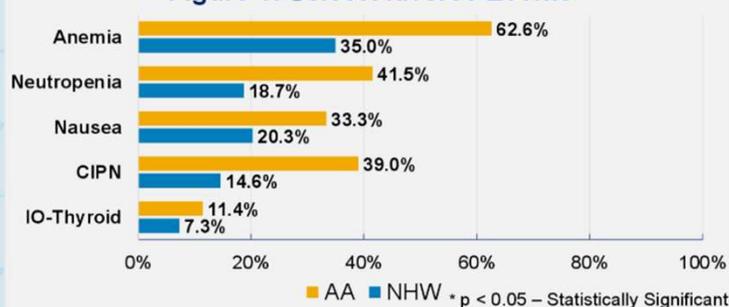
PS2-04-13 (Brock, et al.) AA/Black vs NHW

- Retrospective study on toxicity by race in early-stage TNBC treated with KN522
- n=124 (AA/Black n=80; NHW n=44), median age 56.5.
- AA pts had higher chemotherapy-related toxicities (anemia, G3/4 neutropenia, CIPN) and more treatment modifications (chemotherapy + pembrolizumab), numerically.
- **No statistically significant difference** in overall irAE rates between AA vs NHW (signal driven more by chemotherapy toxicity than immune toxicity)
- **Similar pCR** 52% by race
- **36-mo OS lower in AA** (89.7%) vs NHW (97.3%)

123 of 135 patients were analyzed after receiving at least 12 weeks of the recommended treatment.

| Table 1: Baseline Characteristics | Total N=123 (100%) | AA N=80 (65.0%) | NHW N=43 (34.9%) | P-value |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------|
| Age at diagnosis, Median (Q1-Q3) | 56 (42-66) | 59 (49-68) | 50 (38-63) | 0.013* |
| BMI, Median (Q1-Q3) | 30.6 (25.4-35.4) | 32.2 (26.4-35.9) | 27.7 (23.5-33.6) | 0.007* |
| Marital status, n (%) | | | | |
| Single | 45 (36.9) | 33 (41.8) | 12 (27.9) | 0.002* |
| Married | 51 (41.8) | 24 (30.4) | 27 (62.8) | |
| Widow/ Divorced/Separated | 26 (21.3) | 22 (27.8) | 4 (9.3) | |
| Comorbidities, N(%) | | | | |
| Anxiety | 19 (15.5) | 6 (7.5) | 13 (30.2) | <0.001* |
| Hypertension | 59 (47.9) | 46 (57.5) | 13 (30.2) | 0.004* |
| Thyroid disorder | 16 (13.0) | 6 (7.5) | 10 (23.3) | 0.013* |
| Cancer Stage, N(%) | | | | |
| Stage 1 | 17 (13.8) | 11 (13.7) | 6 (13.9) | 0.250 |
| Stage 2 | 66 (56.7) | 39 (48.7) | 27 (62.8) | |
| Stage 3 | 40 (32.5) | 30 (37.5) | 10 (23.3) | |

Figure 1: Select Adverse Events



Take-home Points

- **Prediction is moving toward host/tumor context** (proteomic “immune age,” immune signatures for pneumonitis), but for now its best use is to **identify who needs intensified monitoring**
- **Systems-level management works:** centralized/structured monitoring pathways (e.g., HRCT-led ILD workflows) can reduce severity while keeping patients on effective therapy—implementation matters as much as biology.
- **Chronic irAEs are common (~1/3) after curative-intent pembrolizumab in early TNBC and are often *permanent* (endocrine), with a non-trivial myocarditis signal** → counsel early; build survivorship follow-up.



Toxicities of PI3K & AKT Inhibitors

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Available PI3K Inhibitors

Endocrine-resistant, PIK3CA-mutated, HR-positive, HER2-negative advanced or metastatic breast cancer

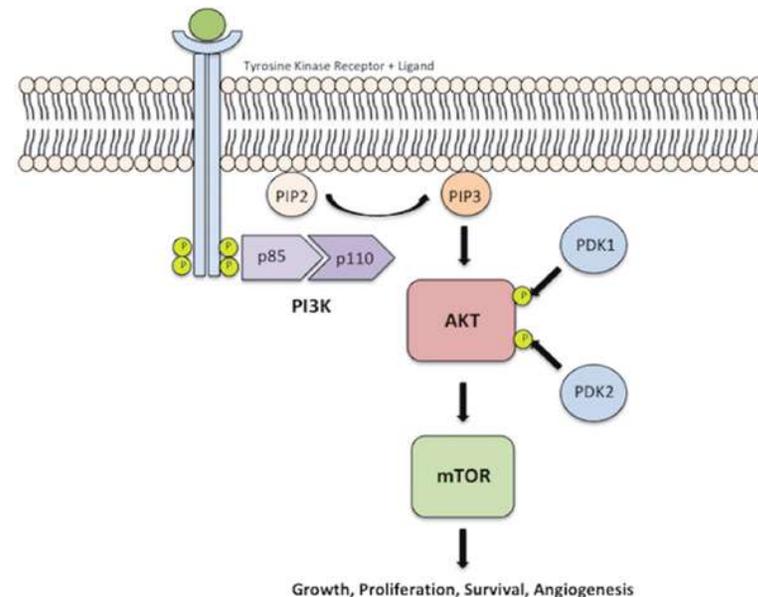
- Alpelisib
- Inavolisib

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- Capivasertib

PI3K/AKT Mechanism of Action



- PI3K/AKT/mTOR pathway promotes cell survival and growth
- Pathway implicated in oncogenesis

Toxicities of PI3K/AKT Inhibitors

Breast Cancer PI3K/AKT Warnings/Precautions

- Hyperglycemia
- Rash/cutaneous reactions (alpelisib, capivasertib)
- Severe diarrhea
- Embryo-fetal toxicity
- Stomatitis (inavolisib)

Labeled warnings and management may vary based on product

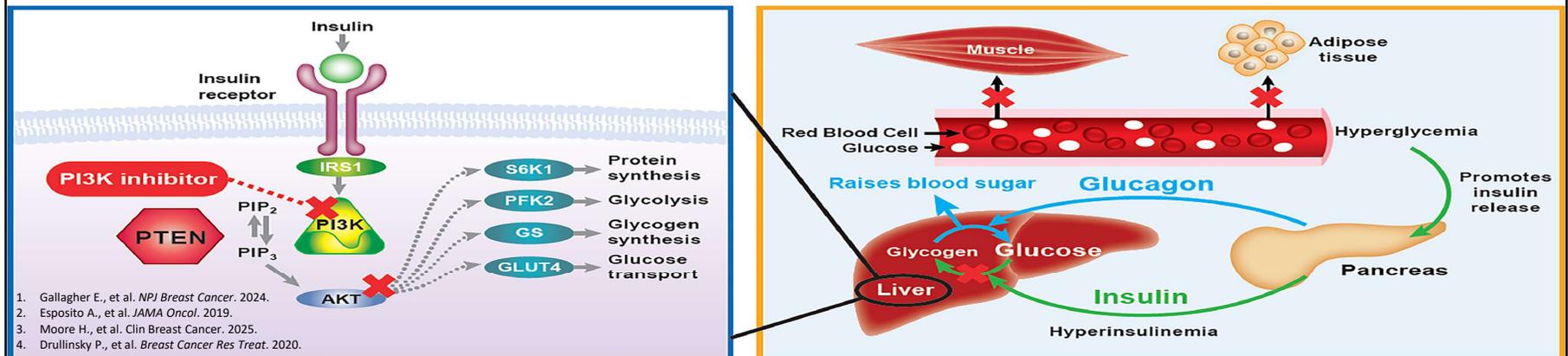
Toxicities of PI3K & AKT Inhibitors

| | Alpelisib SOLAR-1 | Inavolisib INAVO120 | Capivasertib CAPitello-291 |
|--|---|--|--|
| Hyperglycemia | Any grade: 64% • Grade \geq3: 37% | Any grade: 48% • Grade \geq 3: 4% | Any grade: 16% • Grade \geq 3: 2% |
| Rash/cutaneous reactions | Any grade: 54% • Grade \geq3: 20% | Any grade: 25% • Grade \geq 3: 0% | Any grade: 38% • Grade \geq 3: 12% |
| Stomatitis/mucosal inflammation | Any grade: 18% • Grade \geq 3: 2% | Any grade: 51% • Grade \geq3: 6% | Any grade: 15% • Grade \geq 3: 2% |
| Diarrhea | Any grade: 58% • Grade \geq 3: 7% | Any grade: 48% • Grade \geq 3: 4% | Any grade: 72% • Grade \geq3: 9% |

PI3K/AKT-Associated Hyperglycemia

Mechanism:

- Insulin activates the PI3K pathway to lower blood glucose (BG)
 - PI3K pathway stimulates glucose uptake in muscle and adipose tissue
 - PI3K suppresses hepatic glucose production
- PI3K inhibitors block these pathways → increased blood glucose
- AKT inhibitors act further downstream in the pathway and are therefore associated with less hyperglycemia. The difference likely because PI3K-α acts upstream in insulin signaling and more strongly regulates hepatic glucose production
- **Onset:** typically occurs within first month of treatment
- **Risk Factors:**
 - ≥70 years old
 - Body mass index (BMI) ≥ 30 kg/m²
 - Baseline HbA1c of 5.7–6.4% or fasting glucose levels between 100-125 mg/dL
 - Pre-existing type 2 diabetes mellitus



PI3K/AKT-Associated Hyperglycemia Management

- **Metformin** is the preferred first-line anti-hyperglycemic agent
- It is recommended to initiate prophylactic metformin in patients with baseline HbA1c of 5.7-6.4%
- Diet: limit carbohydrate to 60-130g/day with regular exercise
- Endocrinology evaluation for patients with risk factors or pre-existing diabetes

Recommended Alternatives to Metformin

- **Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)**
- **Sodium glucose co-transporter 2 inhibitors (SGLT2i)**
- **Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors (DPP4i)**

BG Monitoring:

- Frequency of BG monitoring is should be based on baseline risk of hyperglycemia
- More frequent monitoring for those at higher risk

Rash/Cutaneous Reactions Management

Onset: typically occurs within first 2 months of treatment

Management Strategies:

- Consider prophylactic non-sedating (H1) antihistamines for patients starting PI3K therapy

Initial management for rash:

- Non-sedating (H1) antihistamines
 - Doses may be escalated based on response
- Topical steroids (Class I-III)
 - Selection based on affected body part and affected BSA
- Oral corticosteroids is recommended in patients with rash affecting $\geq 10\%$ BSA
- Consider consult to a dermatologist

Recommended Non-Sedating Antihistamines

- **Cetirizine 10 mg**
- **Levocetirizine 5 mg**
- **Loratadine 10 mg**
- **Fexofenadine 180 mg**

Recommended Topical Steroids

- **Fluocinonide 0.1%**
- **Triamcinolone acetonide 0.5%**
- **Betamethasone dipropionate 0.05%**

Stomatitis/Mucosal Inflammation Management

Onset: typically occurs within first month of treatment

Management:

- Corticosteroid-containing mouthwash for prophylaxis or treatment
 - Dexamethasone 0.5mg/5mL oral rinse: swish and spit 10mL four times daily
 - Avoid alcohol, hydrogen peroxide, iodine, or thyme containing products and harsh mouth washes (e.g., Listerine)

Supportive care:

- Dietary modifications
 - Avoid crunchy, spicy, acidic, and hot food/drinks
- Topical steroids (Class II-VI)
 - Selection based on severity

| Recommended Topical Steroids |
|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Triamcinolone acetonide 0.05-0.5%• Fluocinolone acetonide 0.025-0.05%• Clobetasol propionate 0.025% |

Diarrhea Management

- **Onset:** typically occurs within first month of treatment

Management:

- Antidiarrheal treatment (loperamide, diphenoxylate/atropine)

Supportive care:

- Dietary modifications
 - Discontinue lactose-containing products and eat small meals
- Hydration
 - Encourage adequate hydration with salt-containing liquids such as broths or sports drinks
- Electrolyte supplementation

Dose Adjustments for Toxicities of PI3K & AKT Inhibitors

| CTCAE v5.0 | Hyperglycemia | Rash/Cutaneous Reaction | Stomatitis/Mucosal Inflammation | Diarrhea |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Grade 1 | <p>No dosage adjustment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider initiating oral anti-hyperglycemic medication Consider endocrinology consultation | <p>No dosage adjustment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate topical corticosteroid treatment Consider addition of oral antihistamine | <p>No dosage adjustment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate corticosteroid-containing mouthwash (e.g., dexamethasone oral rinse) | <p>No dosage adjustment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate antidiarrheal medications (e.g., loperamide) Supportive care (diet, hydration, and electrolyte supplementation) |
| Grade 2 | <p>Hold treatment until FPG \leq 160mg/dL, then resume at same dose</p> <p>*Alpelisib: no hold required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate or intensify oral anti-hyperglycemic medication If prolonged FPG > 160mg/dL (>21-28 days), consider resuming at one lower dose level | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at same dose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate or intensify topical corticosteroid and oral antihistamine treatment Consider low dose systemic corticosteroid treatment | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at same dose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate or intensify appropriate treatment If recurrence or prolonged recovery (>28 days), may resume at one lower dose level | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at same dose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate or intensify appropriate treatment If recurrence or prolonged recovery (>28 days), may resume at one lower dose level |
| Grade 3 | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at one lower dose level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate or intensify diabetic medications and treat any electrolyte abnormalities Consider rescue insulin for 1-2 days If FPG > 500, consider permanent discontinuation | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at one lower dose level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If recurrence, consider permanent discontinuation | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at one lower dose level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If prolonged recovery (>28 days), consider permanent discontinuation | <p>Hold treatment until recovery to grade \leq 1, then resume at same or one lower dose level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If prolonged recovery (>28 days), consider permanent discontinuation |
| Grade 4 | Permanently discontinue treatment | | | |

CTCAE: Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; FPG: fasting plasma glucose

*For specific dose adjustment, please refer to medication package information

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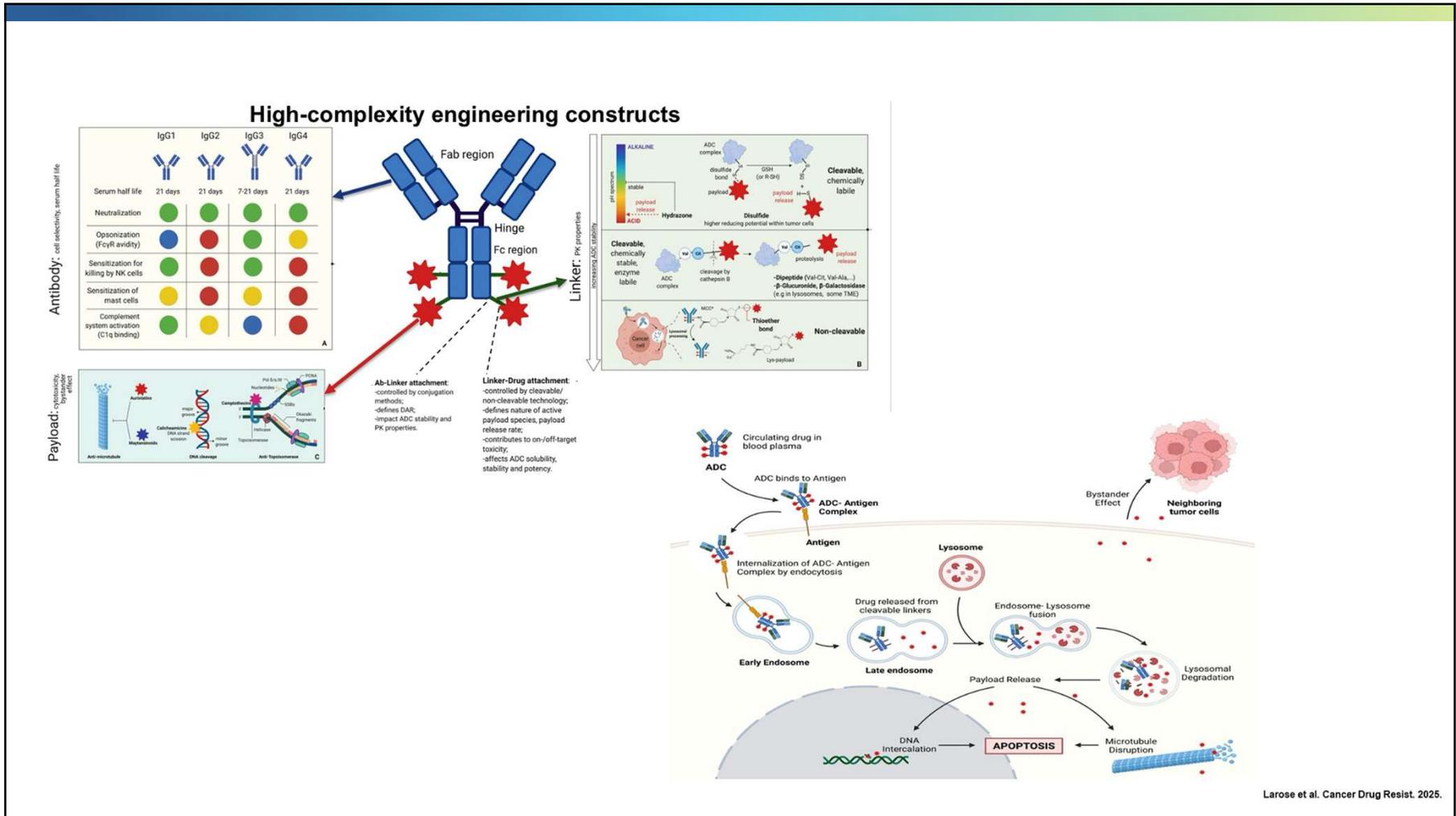


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Treating Toxicities of Antibody Drug Conjugates

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Antibody Drug Conjugates in Advanced Breast Cancer

| | Trastuzumab deruxtecan ^{1,2} | Datopotamab deruxtecan ^{4,5} | Sacituzumab govitecan ^{1,7} |
|------------------|--|--|---|
| Target antigen | HER2 | TROP-2 | TROP-2 |
| Indication | HER2+ mBC; HER2-low and HER2-ultralow mBC | Unresectable or metastatic, HR+, HER2-BC (HER2-ultralow, HER2-low, IHC 0) | Unresectable locally advanced or mTNBC; Unresectable locally advanced or metastatic HR+, HER2- BC (HER2- ultralow, HER2-low, IHC 0) |
| Type of mAb | Humanized IgG1 | Humanized IgG1 | Humanized IgG1 |
| Payload | Topoisomerase I inhibitor ^a | Topoisomerase I inhibitor ^a | Topoisomerase I inhibitor (SN-38) ^b |
| Approx. DAR | 8:1 | 4:1 | 7.6:1 |
| Linker cleavage | Yes (protease-cleavable) | Yes (protease-cleavable) | Yes (hydrolysable) |
| Median half-life | 5.5 days | 4.8 days | 23.4 hours |
| Bystander effect | Yes ³ | Yes ⁶ | Yes ⁸ |
| Dosing | IV q3w | IV q3w | IV Day 1, 8 of 3-wk cycle |

^a Exatecan derivative. ^b Irinotecan derivative.⁹

BC, breast cancer; DAR, drug-to-antibody ratio; Dato-DXd, datopotamab deruxtecan; DM1, mertansine; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; HR, hormone receptor; IC, investigator's choice of treatment; ICC, investigator's choice of chemotherapy; IgG, immunoglobulin G; IV, intravenous; mAb, monoclonal antibody; mBC, metastatic breast cancer; mTNBC, metastatic triple negative breast cancer; q3w, every 3 weeks; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan; T-DM1, trastuzumab emtansine; TNBC, triple-negative breast cancer; TROP-2, trophoblast cell surface antigen-2; TB, TROPION-Breast; tx, treatment.

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Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd)

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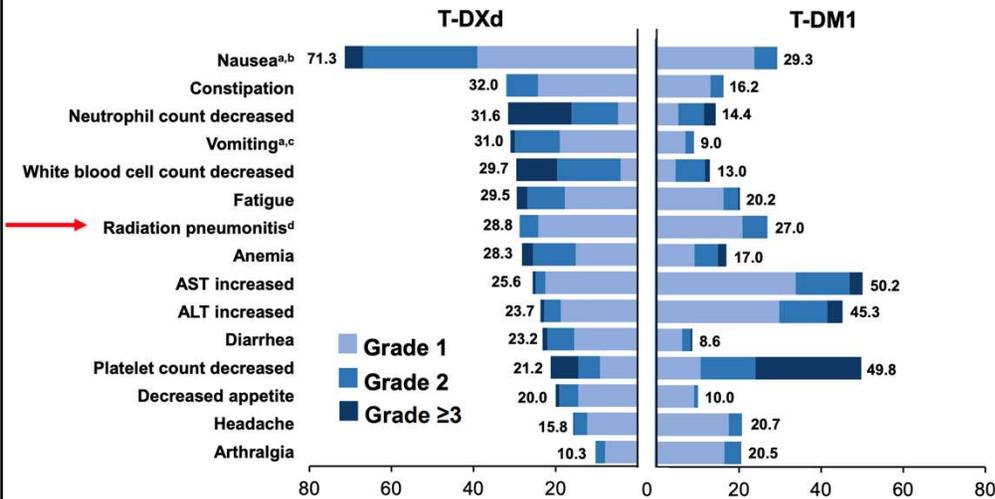
Trastuzumab deruxtecan

| Disease State | Indication (registration trials) |
|-------------------------------|---|
| HER2+ | Metastatic: First line and later (DB-09, DB-03) Post-Neoadjuvant High-Risk (DB-05) |
| HR+ HER2- (low and Ultra-low) | Metastatic: First line chemotherapy (DB-06) |
| HR+ and HR- HER2 (low) | Metastatic: later line chemotherapy (DB-04) |

DB= Destiny-Breast

Interim Analysis of DESTINY-Breast05 : Safety

Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs) in ≥20% of Patients



^a Prophylactic antiemetics were recommended but not mandatory. ^b In the T-DXd and T-DM1 arms: 39.1% and 23.7% grade 1, 27.8% and 5.5% grade 2, and 4.5% and 0.1% grade 3 events, respectively. ^c In the T-DXd and T-DM1 arms: 19.0% and 6.9% grade 1, 10.9% and 2.0% grade 2, and 1.1% and 0.1% grade 3 events, respectively. ^d In the T-DXd and T-DM1 arms: 24.2% and 20.8% grade 1 and 4.6% and 6.1% grade 2 events, Geyer CE, et al. ESMO 2025. Abstract LBA1.

| | T-DXd (n=806) | T-DM1 (n=801) |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Grade ≥3 TEAEs, n (%) | 408 (50.6) | 416 (51.9) |
| Serious TEAEs | 140 (17.4) | 109 (13.6) |
| TEAEs associated with discontinuation | 144 (17.9) | 103 (12.9) |
| TEAEs associated with drug interruptions | 400 (49.6) | 329 (41.1) |
| TEAEs associated with deaths* | 3 (0.4) | 5 (0.6) |
| Treatment-related deaths | 2 (0.2) | 1 (0.1) |
| Median treatment duration (months) | 9.8 | 9.7 |
| Patients completed 14 cycles (%) | 72.3 | 76.3 |
| ILD (adjudicated), n (%) | 77(9.6) | 13 (1.6) |
| grade ≥3 ILD | 9 (1.1) | 0 (0) |
| grade 5 ILD | 2 (0.3%) | 0 (0) |
| LV dysfunction | 23 (2.9) | 14 (1.7) |

| Safety Overview | | T-DXd (n=806) ^a | T-DM1 (n=801) ^a |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Overall TEAEs | Any grade | 802 (99.5) | 788 (98.4) |
| | Grade ≥3 | 408 (50.6) | 416 (51.9) |
| | Serious | 140 (17.4) | 109 (13.6) |
| | Associated with drug d/c | 144 (17.9) | 103 (12.9) |
| | Associated with deaths | 3 (0.4) | 5 (0.6) |
| Adjudicated Drug-related ILD ^b | Any grade | 77 (9.6) | 13 (1.6) |
| | Grade 1 | 16 (2.0) | 8 (1.0) |
| | Grade 2 | 52 (6.5) | 5 (0.6) |
| | Grade 3 | 7 (0.9) | 0 |
| | Grade ≥4 | 2 (0.2) ^c | 0 |
| LV Dysfunction | Any grade | 23 (2.9) | 14 (1.7) |
| | Grade 1 | 1 (0.1) | 0 |
| | Grade 2 | 20 (2.5) | 11 (1.4) |
| | Grade 3 | 2 (0.2) | 3 (0.4) |
| | Grade ≥4 | 0 | 0 |

T-DXd AE management

- Nausea: NCCN Guidelines for Antiemesis (highly emetogenic category)
 - 5-HT3 antagonist (Palonosetron)
 - Dexamethasone
 - NK1 antagonist (Aprepitant)
 - and/or Olanzapine
- Fatigue: NCCN Guidelines Cancer-Related Fatigue
 - Physical activity, massage, CBT, educational therapies (Category 1)

T-DXd and ILD

- 12% all patients (majority grade 1 or 2); <1% fatality
- CT scan: HRCT scan every 9-12 weeks. More frequently for those with respiratory symptoms
Postneoadjuvant high risk (DB-05): baseline; after radiation (if sequential) and prior to cycles 3, 7, and 11 and at 40 days follow up
- 5 S's

- Patient selection prior to T-DXd initiation to optimize monitoring strategies based on risk
- Regularly screen patients during treatment for signs/symptoms of ILD

Screen

1

- High-resolution CT scan of the chest is preferred diagnostic tool
- Baseline scan, followed by repeat scans every 6-12 weeks

Scan

2

- Education for the entire care team and patients
- Multidisciplinary management once ILD is suspected

Synergy

3

- T-DXd should be stopped if ILD is suspected
- T-DXd can be restarted if asymptomatic ILD fully resolves

Suspend treatment

4

- Treatment of T-DXd ILD is corticosteroids

Steroids

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Management for ILD in DB-05 (adjuvant T-DXd)

| | GRADE 1 (ASYMPTOMATIC) | GRADE 2 (SYMPTOMATIC) | GRADE 3-4 |
|--|---|---|----------------------------------|
| Dose modification guidelines for drug-related ILD | Interrupt T-DXd, systemic steroids (eg, prednisone 0.5 mg/kg/day or equivalent) can be considered; T-DXd can be restarted only if the event is fully resolved to Grade 0 ^a | Grade ≥2 (symptomatic^b): Permanently discontinue patient from T-DXd treatment, promptly initiate steroids (eg, prednisone 1.0 mg/kg/day or equivalent) | |
| Dose modification guidelines for radiation-related pulmonary toxicity | Maintain dose and schedule | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interrupt until recovered to baseline or Grade ≤1 Manage per SoC (eg, steroids) Relationship to radiotherapy should be determined on the basis of timing and location of radiographic abnormalities relative to the radiation treatment | Discontinue from study treatment |

ILD, interstitial lung disease; SoC, standard of care; T-DXd, trastuzumab deruxtecan.

^aIf resolved in ≤28 days from day of onset, maintain dose. If resolved in >28 days from day of onset, reduce dose 1 level. However, if the event grade 1 ILD/pneumonitis has not resolved within 126 days from the last infusion, T-DXd should be discontinued. ^bDevelops an acute onset of new/worsening pulmonary or other related signs/symptoms such as dyspnea, cough, or fever.

Clinical Study Protocol. DESTINY-Breast05. Protocol DS8201-A-U305. Version 3.0, 22 Nov 2020.

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Trop-2 targeted Antibody-drug conjugates (ADC's)

Sacituzumab govitecan
Datopotamab deruxtecan

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Trop-2 ADC Indications

| | Sacituzumab govitecan | Datopotamab deruxtecan |
|---|---|--|
| Metastatic HR+HER2- after endocrine therapy | 2 prior lines chemotherapy: TROPiCS-02 | Second line or later: TROPION-Breast01 |
| Metastatic TNBC PD-L1+ | First line: ASCENT-04 | |
| Metastatic TNBC PD-L1- or ICI ineligible | First line: ASCENT-03 Later line: ASCENT | First line: TROPION-Breast02 |

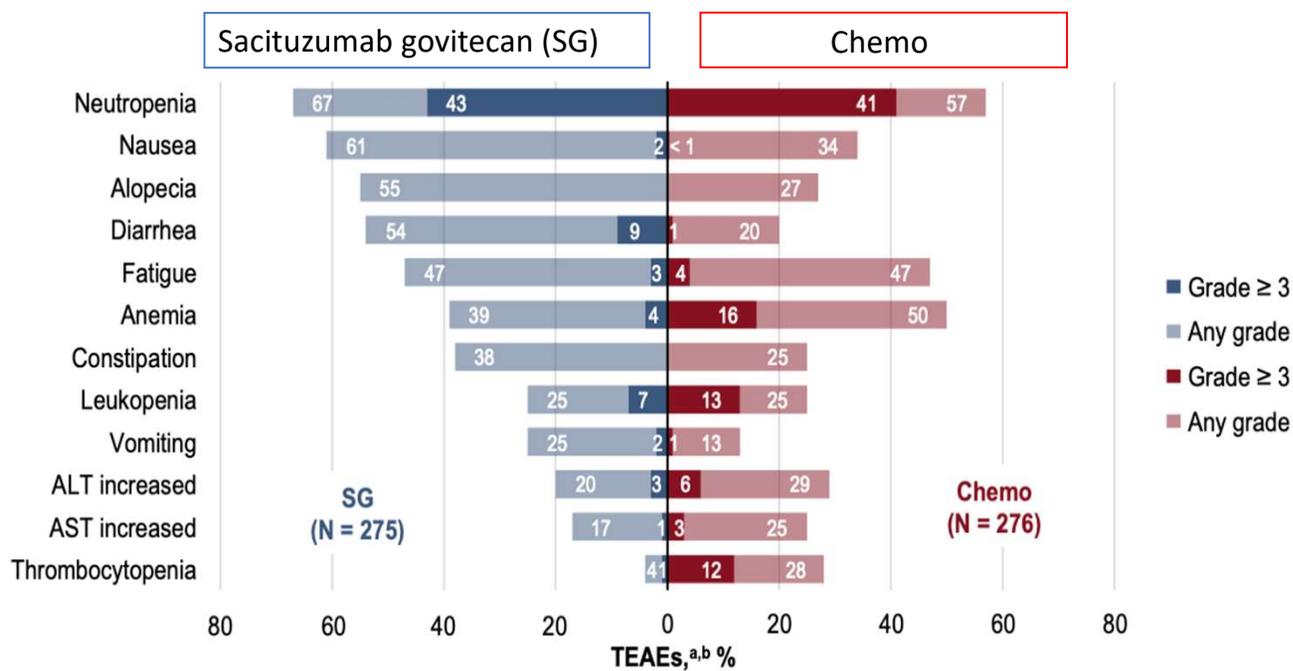
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TROP2 ADC Toxicity Profile in 1L TNBC

| Adverse Event | Sacituzumab govitecan (Cortés, ESMO 2025) | | Datopotamab deruxtecan (Dent, ESMO 2025) | |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------|---|--------------|
| | TEAEs | | TRAEs | |
| | Any grade (%) | Grade ≥3 (%) | Any grade (%) | Grade ≥3 (%) |
| Any AE ^a | 99 | 66 | 93 | 33 |
| Neutropenia | 67 | 43 | 12 | 3 |
| Anemia | 39 | 4 | 15 | 2 |
| Nausea | 61 | 2 | 45 | <1 |
| Vomiting | 25 | 2 | 20 | 1 |
| Diarrhea | 54 | 9 | - | - |
| Fatigue | 47 | 3 | 32 | 3 |
| Alopecia | 55 | N/A | 41 | N/A |
| Oral mucositis/stomatitis | - | - | 60 | 8 |
| Any ocular surface toxicity | - | - | 47 | 7 |
| Dry eye | - | - | 24 | 1 |
| Keratitis | - | - | 13 | 2 |
| Conjunctivitis | - | - | 7 | <1 |
| ILD/pneumonitis | - | - | 3 | <1* |

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ASCENT-03: Most Common AE's ($\geq 20\%$ in any group)



Data cutoff date: April 2, 2025.

^a TEAEs were included if they occurred in $\geq 20\%$ of patients in either group. ^b Combined preferred terms of neutropenia includes neutrophil count decreased, fatigue includes asthenia, anemia includes hemoglobin decreased and red blood cell count decreased, leukopenia includes white blood cell count decreased, and thrombocytopenia includes platelet count decreased.

AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; chemo, chemotherapy; SG, sacituzumab govitecan; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event. Cortés J, et al. Presented at: 2025 European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO); October 17-21, 2025; Berlin Germany.

Sacituzumab govitecan

- **Nausea**

- High emetogenic risk
- Premedicate: Dexamethasone + 5-HT3 receptor antagonist or NK1 receptor antagonist

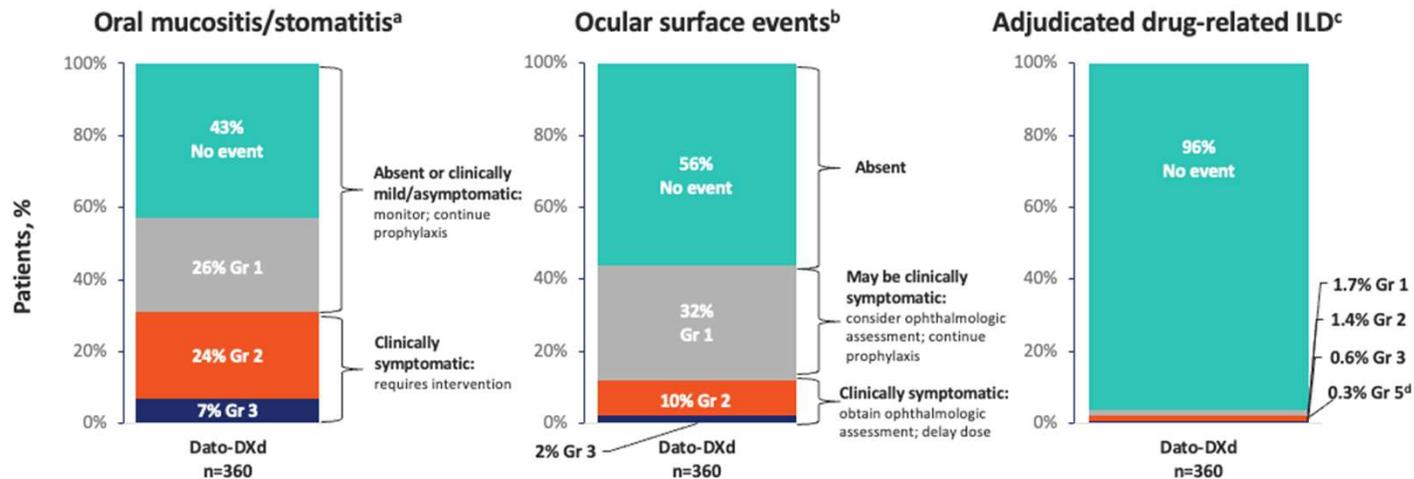
- **Other premedications:**

- History of infusion reaction: antipyretic, H1/H2 blockers, corticosteroid
- History of cholinergic reaction: Atropine

- **Neutropenia:**

- Intermediate risk by NCCN Guidelines
- Primary prophylaxis for patients with risk factors
 - Prior chemotherapy or neutropenia, older patients, organ dysfunction, poor PFS

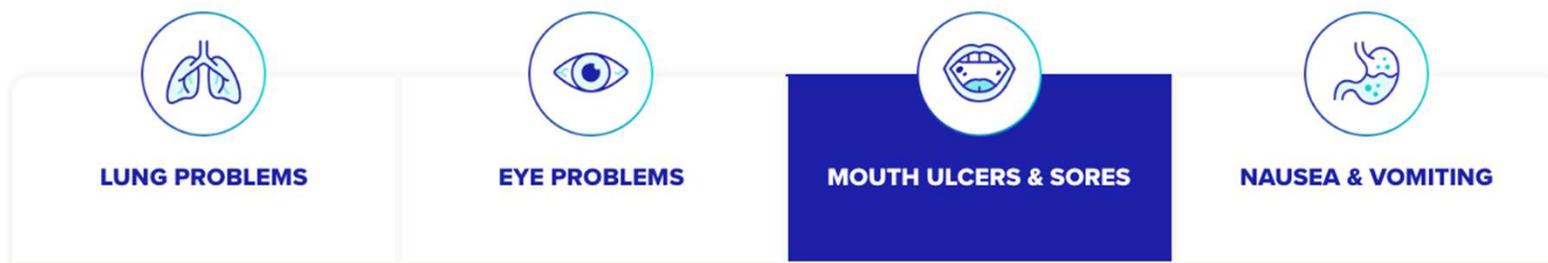
Datopotamab-DXd (Dato-DXd) AEs of special interest



- Mucositis/stomatitis events 86% resolved/resolving
- Ocular surface events were mostly dry eye; 86% gr 3 events resolved/resolving
- Adjudicated drug-related ILD <4% of patients

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Prevention and management of toxicities with datopotamab-deruxtecan



- Monitor for cough or shortness of breath

- Baseline optometry/ ophthalmologic exam
- Do not wear contact lenses
- Preservative-free lubricating eye drops 4x per day

- Steroid mouthwash 4x per day
- Ice chips (consider)

- High emetic risk
- Olanzapine
- NK1 receptor antagonist
- 5-HT3 receptor antagonist
- Dexamethasone

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Clinical Cases

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Case 1

- 45-year-old woman with metastatic HER2+ breast cancer receives trastuzumab deruxtecan + pertuzumab for first line therapy.
 - How often do you plan to monitor for ILD and with what imaging modality?
 - Can you differentiate between infectious findings and drug-induced ILD?

Case 2

- 72-year-old female with HR+ HER2- (ultralow) metastatic invasive lobular carcinoma involving the bones only.
- She initiated treatment in 2019 with letrozole and ribociclib and progressed 6 years later in 2025 with new lesions in the bone, lymph nodes and pulmonary nodules.
- Initial tumor NGS testing revealed a PIK3CA mutation.
ctDNA testing at progression demonstrated PIK3CA mutation and was negative for ESR1
- She is started on fulvestrant + capivasertib.
- Her A1c is 5.5 and she is on amlodipine for hypertension only.
- Do you initiate any prophylactic measures?

Case 2 Continued

- 4 weeks into starting fulvestrant + capivasertib she develops a pruritic macular papular rash on her trunk, arms, legs.
- How would you manage this rash?
- The rash resolves in 3 weeks: would you resume capivasertib and if so, at what dose?
- What kind of prophylaxis would you pursue once resuming capivasertib?

Case 3

- A 35-year-old woman with cT2N1 triple negative breast cancer of the left breast is on weekly paclitaxel, carboplatin and pembrolizumab with plan to continue to doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide and pembrolizumab after 4 cycles.
- On her C1D15 her AST/ALT are elevated to 125 and 145 respectively (>3x ULN). Bilirubin is normal.
- For her Grade 2 elevation of AST/ALT how would you manage her care?



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