

The Prostate Cancer Registry: Do Patients With Metastatic Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer (mCRPC) Differ According to Metastatic Status at Diagnosis?

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BACKGROUND

- The stage at which prostate cancer is diagnosed may influence clinical outcomes in patients, based on the history and progression of the disease and how it is managed.
- In particular, patients who have metastatic disease at diagnosis may differ from patients diagnosed with localized disease who subsequently develop metastases; these differences could have important implications for treatment strategies after castration resistance develops.
- Observational data can provide important perspectives on the optimal management of such patients; however, real-world data in mCRPC are limited.
- The Prostate Cancer Registry, the first international, prospective, observational study of patients with mCRPC, was initiated to examine the characteristics and management of patients with mCRPC in routine clinical practice; previous descriptive analyses of 505 patients indicated enrollment of a real-world patient population.^{1,2}

OBJECTIVES

- Document the characteristics and management of patients with mCRPC in routine clinical practice, independent of treatment used.
- Assess whether the subset of mCRPC patients who had metastatic disease at initial diagnosis differ from those who did not in terms of clinical and disease characteristics in a real-life context.

METHODS

Study Design

- Prospective, non-interventional, multicenter registry of > 3000 men with mCRPC (ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT02236637).
- Enrollment was initiated in 2013 and completed in early 2016. Study duration will be 5.5 years with a maximum patient follow-up of 3 years.
- 199 centers in 16 countries across Europe are participating: Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and the UK. Data from all countries except Israel and Turkey were available for this analysis.
- A range of clinical settings are represented, including oncology and urology specialist clinics, small and large practices, in both public and private health-care systems.

Eligibility Criteria

- Male aged ≥ 18 years.
- Confirmed diagnosis of adenocarcinoma of the prostate with documented metastatic disease, who may enroll at any time after diagnosis.
- Documented castration resistance defined as disease progression despite testosterone levels < 50 ng/dL and/or androgen deprivation therapy (ADT) and/or orchiectomy. Disease progression is defined by a rise in prostate-specific antigen (PSA) and/or worsening of existing disease/symptoms and/or appearance of new metastases.

- Not currently receiving active treatment for mCRPC (except ADT and/or bone-sparing therapies) or initiating new treatment for mCRPC within the 30 days preceding or following enrollment.
- Signed informed consent/participation agreement, as applicable.

Data Collection

- Baseline data collected at study entry included:
 - Demographics
 - Disease history, including dates of diagnosis, metastasis and castration resistance, tumor-node-metastasis (TNM) stage, and Gleason score at initial diagnosis
 - Prior prostate cancer treatment, including systemic therapy, radiotherapy, and surgery
 - Clinical characteristics, including comorbidities, concomitant medications, and Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status (ECOG PS)
 - Quality of life
 - Medical resource utilization.
- Clinical data collected prospectively at least every 3 months:
 - Systemic and local mCRPC treatment
 - Rationale for treatment choice and reasons for discontinuation
 - Duration and sequencing of treatment
 - Clinical assessments/outcomes, biological parameters, and radiological responses
 - Survival
 - Quality of life
 - Medical resource utilization.
- Data collected include only the data available per patient record; some patient records are not fully complete.
- All clinical data are subject to a validation process to ensure quality control.

Data Analysis

- This analysis was in patients with ≥ 12 months of follow-up (or less in case of withdrawal, loss to follow-up or death) with available data regarding metastatic (M)-status at time of initial diagnosis.
- Data are descriptive.

RESULTS

- A total of 1323 consecutive patients, enrolled between June 2013 and October 2014, were analyzed: 549 had distant metastases at initial diagnosis (M1, 41.5%), 526 did not (M0, 39.8%), and 248 were not evaluable (Mx, 18.7%).
- Data for patients with M1- and M0-status are described.

Patient Characteristics Before Start of Study

- A higher proportion of patients with M1-status at initial diagnosis had a Gleason score of 8-10 at initial diagnosis, and M1 patients also had a shorter time from diagnosis to castration resistance but longer time from first metastatic diagnosis to study entry, compared with M0 patients (Table 1).
- Time from diagnosis to castration resistance for the M1 patient group is shown in Figure 1; in 50% of patients, this was less than 18 months.

- As expected, M0 patients had received more prior local therapy (radical prostatectomy or prostate radiotherapy) than M1 patients (Table 1).
- Among M0 patients, a higher proportion had prostate radiotherapy only compared with radical prostatectomy only, both surgery and radiotherapy to the prostate, or no local therapy (Figure 2).

Table 1. Patient Characteristics Before Study Entry

M-status at initial diagnosis	M0 n = 526	M1 n = 549
At initial diagnosis		
Gleason score 8-10, n (%)	218 (44.6)	331 (66.5)
Prior to study entry		
Years from diagnosis to CRPC, median (range)	5.4 (0-20)	1.5 (0-16)
Years from first M diagnosis to study entry, median (range)	1.3 (0-15)	2.0 (0-13)
Radical prostatectomy, n (%)	204 (38.8)	31 (5.6)
Prostate radiotherapy, n (%)	300 (57.0)	49 (8.9)

Figure 1. Time From Initial Diagnosis to Castration Resistance in M1 Patients

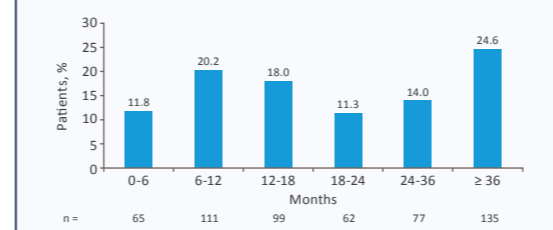
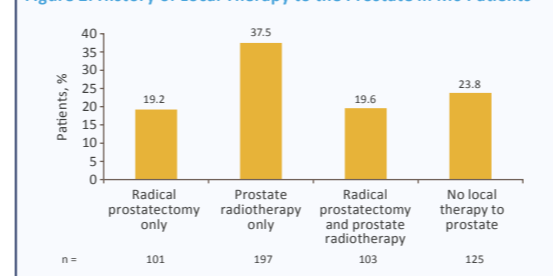


Figure 2. History of Local Therapy to the Prostate in M0 Patients



Patient Characteristics at Study Entry (mCRPC)

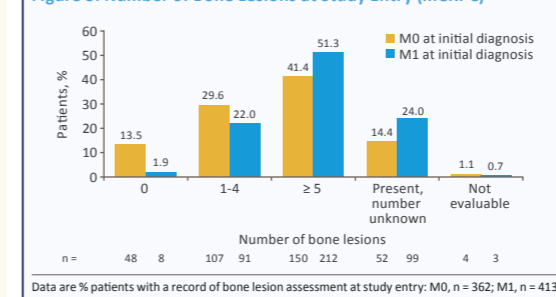
- Compared with M0 patients at initial diagnosis, initial M1 patients were slightly younger, with a lower proportion aged ≥ 75 years at study entry (Table 2).
- M1 patients had slightly worse ECOG PS than M0 patients, with higher proportions with scores of 2 or ≥ 3 (Table 2).
- PSA and alkaline phosphatase levels were higher in the M1 than the M0 group (Table 2).
- At study entry, a higher proportion of patients in the M1 group had ≥ 5 bone metastases (lesions) compared with the M0 group (51.4% vs 41.4%; Figure 3); analgesic use was also higher among M1 patients (Figure 4).

Table 2. Patient and Disease Characteristics at Study Entry (mCRPC)

M-status at initial diagnosis	M0 n = 526	M1 n = 549
Age, years, mean (SD)	73.6 (7.2)	70.6 (8.6)
≥ 75 years, n (%)	241 (45.8)	187 (34.1)
ECOG PS, n (%)^a		
0-1	436 (87.2)	426 (83.4)
2	51 (10.2)	71 (13.9)
≥ 3	13 (2.6)	14 (2.7)
Biological parameters, median (range)		
Prostate-specific antigen, ng/mL	n = 507 45.9 (0-5910)	n = 530 61.7 (0-10710)
Lactic acid dehydrogenase, U/L	n = 234 273.0 (3-3232)	n = 190 273.0 (5-2890)
Hemoglobin, g/dL	n = 469 12.5 (7-17)	n = 480 12.5 (7-16)
Alkaline phosphatase, U/L	n = 393 97.8 (2-2825)	n = 407 126.0 (1-3110)
Serum testosterone, ng/dL	n = 376 0.30 (0.0-58.0)	n = 406 0.31 (0.0-51.0)

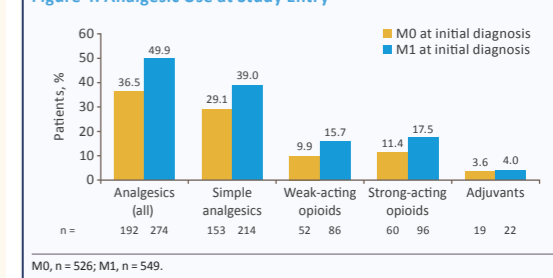
SD, standard deviation.
^aSome patients not evaluable.

Figure 3. Number of Bone Lesions at Study Entry (mCRPC)



Data are % patients with a record of bone lesion assessment at study entry; M0, n = 362; M1, n = 413.

Figure 4. Analgesic Use at Study Entry



M0, n = 526; M1, n = 549.

First Treatments for mCRPC on Study

- A total of 458 (87.1%) M0 and 453 (82.5%) M1 patients initiated 1 or more new treatments for mCRPC. The first documented treatment received on study was:
 - M0 group, n (%): abiraterone 182 (39.7); enzalutamide 84 (18.3); docetaxel 146 (31.9); cabazitaxel 46 (10.0).
 - M1 group, n (%): abiraterone 182 (40.1); enzalutamide 53 (11.7); docetaxel 173 (38.1); cabazitaxel 45 (9.9).

CONCLUSIONS

- In this real-life cohort of 1323 mCRPC patients, approximately half presented with metastatic disease at initial diagnosis of prostate cancer.
- A higher percentage of patients with M1-status at diagnosis presented with aggressive and extended disease at mCRPC stage.
- M-status at initial diagnosis may be a clinical indicator of future treatment and prognosis in mCRPC, and follow-up of these patients over the course of the study will clarify how these differences and subsequent treatment may affect clinical outcomes.

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