


Diagnosis and Treatment of Patients with early and advanced Breast Cancer

Specific Sites of Metastases



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Specific Sites of Metastases

- Liver and lung metastases
- Malignant pleural and pericardial effusions
- Ascites
- Bone marrow involvement
- Soft tissue metastases
- Any other organs

See also chapters „CNS Metastases “ and „Locoregional Recurrence
(Loco-Regional Recurrence Treatment Options in Non Curative Cases)“

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General Treatment Aspects of Metastases

	Oxford		
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■ Histological / cytological verification	3	B	+
■ Systemic therapy preferred	2a	B	++*
■ Consider surgery only in case of good response to palliative treatment	2b	C	+
■ Radiation for patients in good physical condition with late onset of oligometastases	3a	B	+
■ Local treatment in the case of pain, exulceration, persistence after systemic treatment, bowel obstruction, hydrocephalus occlusus, spinal cord compression	5	D	+/-
■ Systemic treatment after surgery	5	D	++

* See chapters with systemic treatment recommendations


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Local Therapy in Primary Metastatic Disease


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▪ Surgery (R0) of the primary tumor			
▪ In case of bone metastases only	2b ^a	B	+/-
▪ In case of visceral metastases	2b ^a	B	-
▪ Axillary surgery for cN1	5	D	+/-
▪ Sentinel if cN0	5	D	-
▪ Radiotherapy of the primary tumor			
▪ Alone (without surgery)	3a	C	+/-
▪ After local surgical treatment with BCS or mastectomy (according to adjuvant indication)	3a	C	+

Operation (R0) des Primärtumors

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resection of liver metastases (R0) HR-positive: chemotherapy-sensitive, long disease-free interval, absence of extrahepatic disease, ≤ 3 metastases HER2-positive: age < 50y, metastasis < 5 cm, no further metastasis 	3a	B	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional chemotherapy 	3b	C	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional radiotherapy [SIRT, stereotactic body radiosurgery with volumetric intensity modulated arc therapy (SRS-VMAT), radiochemo-embolization, other modalities] 	3b	C	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thermoablation (RFA, LITT, cryotherapy) 	3b	C	+/-

Statements:

Resection of liver metastasis (R0)

HR positive: chemotherapy sensible, long disease-free interval, absence of extrahepatic disease, ≤ 3 metastases

Her2 positive: age < 50 y., metastasis < 5 cm, no further metastases

Diagnostics

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Before any surgery: staging and biopsy (CT-guided FNA / CNB or transbronchial FNA) 	3a	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resection of pulmonary metastases by VATS or conventional resection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In case of multi-locular metastatic disease In case of single / few unilateral metastasis with curative intent 	3a	B	-
	3a	B	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thermoablation (CT-guided RFA, LITT) 	3b	C	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional radiotherapy (e.g. stereotactic body radiosurgery with volumetric intensity modulated arc therapy (SRS-VMAT)) 	3a	B	+/-
* VATS = video-assisted thoracic surgery			

Before surgery: staging and biopsy (fine-needle aspiration with CT-guidance or transbronchial needle aspiration)

Resection of pulmonary metastases by VATS or conventional resection

In case of multilocular metastatic disease

In case of single metastases on one side with curative intent

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Malignant Pleural Effusions (MPE)

Incidence:

- ~ 10 % of all breast cancer patients
- ~ 50 % of pat. with advanced breast cancer
- ~ 30 % of all MPE are caused by breast cancer


Clinical presentation:

- Extensive MPE are mostly due to malignancy
- The majority of MPE are symptomatic [dyspnea (80%), dull chest pain (30%), nonproductive cough (10%)]
- Survival is related to the presence of additional metastases, age, ECOG PS and extent of involving the pleural surface

Diagnostic procedures:

- Clinical examination
- Imaging techniques (chest X-Ray, US, CT-Scan)
- Proven malignant effusion [cytology (→ 50% false negative), histology by thoracoscopy]

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If short life expectancy, less invasive procedures should be considered 	4	C	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VATS and Talcum-pleurodesis* 	1b	B	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemical pleurodesis* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talcum powder 	1a	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bleomycin, Doxycycline, Mitoxantrone 	2b	C	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Povidone-iodine (20 ml of 10% solution) 	1b	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous pleural drainage 	2a	B	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Systemic treatment after pleurodesis 	3b	C	+/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serial thoracocentesis 	4	C	+/-
<p>* Adequate pain-relief VATS: video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery</p>			

If expected survival is short, less invasive procedures should be considered

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VATS and Talcum-pleurodesis

Chemical pleurodesis

Talcum powder

Bleomycin, Doxycycline, Mitoxantrone

Povidone-iodine (20 ml of 10% solution)

Serial thoracocentesis


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Statement: Systemic treatment after pleurodesis



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Malignant Ascites Local Therapy

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3b	D	++
3b	D	+/-

Ascites:

- Puncture, drainage in symptomatic patients
- Systemic therapy
- Local chemotherapy

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Malignant Pericardial Effusion

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Symptomatic pericardial effusion:

- Drainage, fenestration
- Combination with optimized systemic therapy
- VATS (video-assisted thoracic surgery)
- Ultrasound-guided puncture and instillation of cytotoxic compounds
 - Bleomycin, cisplatin, mitomycin C, mitoxantrone etc.
 - Bevacizumab


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Bone Marrow Infiltration Associated with Pancytopenia


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- **Weekly chemotherapy with*:**
 - Epirubicin, Doxorubicin, Paclitaxel
 - Capecitabine
- **HER2-pos.:**
add anti-HER2-treatment

* Consider pre-treatment

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Surgery of limited locoregional metastasis (skin, muscular, nodal) with complete resection (R0) after exclusion of further metastasis 	4	C	+
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