

Diagnosis and Treatment of Patients with Primary and Metastatic Breast Cancer

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Early detection of curable events			
▪ In-breast recurrence	1a	B	++
▪ Loco-regional recurrence*	1a	B	++
Early detection of metastases			
▪ Early detection of symptomatic metastasis	3b	C	+
▪ Early detection of asymptomatic metastasis	1a	A	-

* loco-regional recurrence is associated with higher risk for mortality in node positive, PR negative, younger patients and patients with short time from diagnosis to recurrence

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- Improve quality of life
- Improve physical performance
- Reduce therapy related side effects such as osteoporosis, cardiac failure, fatigue, neurotoxicity, lymphedema, sexual disorders, cognitive impairment
- Participation in interventional programmes during follow-up for breast cancer survivors to maximise therapy adherence, assess live-style interventions and improve quality of life

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2b	B	+
2a	B	+
2b	B	+
3b	B	+

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- **Evaluation of current adjuvant therapy**
 - incl. monitoring of adherence with endocrine therapies
- **Pro-active improvement of adherence with therapy**
 - Patient information about efficacy data of 5-10 years endocrine therapy
 - Early therapy of side effects (sports, NSAIDs, vitamin D / calcium)

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2b	B	++
5	D	++

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- **Psycho-social aspects of support and counseling**
 - Pregnancy, contraception, sexuality, quality of life, menopausal symptoms, fear of recurrence
- **Second opinion on primary therapy**
- **General counseling (genetics, HRT, prophylactic surgery, breast reconstruction)**

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4	C	+
2c	B	++
2c	C	+

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Lifestyle risks and comorbidity interventions that reduce unfavorable progression of disease.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treatment of type II-diabetes (> 25% undetected DM in postmenopausal BC patients) 	5	D	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weight intervention (if BMI < 18.5 and > 40) 	2a	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nightly fastening > 13h 	2b	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction of dietary intake (at least 15 % calories from fat) in HR neg. breast cancer patients is associated with improved overall survival 	2b	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smoking cessation (mortality increased 2 fold, mortality not directly BC associated 4 fold increase) 	2b	B	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol consumption reduction (below 6g/d) 	2b	B	+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderate sport (in patients with reduced physical activity prior to diagnosis) 	1b	A	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disstress reduction 	3b	B	+

Nightly fasting

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Prolonged nightly fasting improves prognosis in breast cancer patients

retrospective cohort study:

2413 BC-pat. (no diabetes), nightly fasting more or less than 13 hrs

Fasting < 13 hrs: HR 1.36, 36% increase of risk for recurrence
HR 1.21, n.s. increase of risk for mortality

every 2-hrs-prolonged fasting was correlated with a 20% increase of sleeping duration

Follow-up Objectives Reported by Patients

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- **Examination of the breast**
- **Reassurance**
- **Guidance of patients, answering questions**
- **Evaluation of treatment and treatment of side effects**
- **Psychosocial support**

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Routine Follow-Up Examinations in Asymptomatic Patients

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Tests:

- History (specific symptoms)
- Physical examination
- Breast self-examination
- Mammography
- Sonography of the breast
- Routine MRI of the breast*
- MRI of the breast in case of inconclusive conventional imaging
- Pelvic examination
- DEXA-scan at baseline and repeat scan according to individual risk in women with premature menopause or women taking an AI

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History (specific symptoms)	1a	A	++
Physical examination	1a	B	++
Breast self-examination	5	D	+
Mammography	1a	A	++
Sonography of the breast	2a	B	++
Routine MRI of the breast*	3a	B	+/-
MRI of the breast in case of inconclusive conventional imaging	3b	B	+
Pelvic examination	5	D	++
DEXA-scan at baseline and repeat scan according to individual risk in women with premature menopause or women taking an AI	5	D	+

* Consider in case of increased risk (age <50y, HR neg., diagnostic assessability C/D in mammography + ultrasound)

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- Routine biochemistry (incl. tumor markers)
- Ultrasound of the liver
- Bone scan
- Chest X-ray
- CT of chest, abdomen and pelvis
- Detection of isolated / circulating tumor cells
- PET
- Whole body MRI

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LoE	GR	AGO
1a	A	-
1a	A	-
1a	A	-
1a	A	-
2a	D	-
2a	D	-
2b	B	-
2b	B	-

Early Detection of Potentially Curable Events

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Local recurrence & in-breast recurrence:			
▪ Incidence 7–20% (depending on time of F/U)			
▪ Breast self-examination	5	D	+
▪ Physical examination, mammography & US	1a	A	++
▪ Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)*	3a	B	+/-

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- Incidence 7–20%
(depending on time of F/U)
- **Breast self-examination**
- **Physical examination, mammography & US**
- **Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)***

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■ Contralateral breast cancer:			
■ Rel. risk: 2,5–5			
■ Incidence: 0,5–1,0 % / year			
■ Breast self-examination	5	D	+
■ Physical examination, mammography & US	1a	A	++
■ Routine breast MRI*	3b	B	+/-

Contralateral breast cancer:

- Rel. risk: 2,5–5
- Incidence: 0,5–1,0 % / year
- **Breast self-examination**
- **Physical examination, mammography & US**
- **Routine breast MRI***

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Unrelated site carcinoma:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colon RR 3,0; endometrium RR 1,6 ovary RR 1,5; lymphoma RR 7 Screening for secondary malignancies according to current guidelines 	5	D	++
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pelvic examination and PAP smear Routine endometrial ultrasound / biopsy 	5 1b	D B	++ -

Unrelated site carcinoma:

- Colon RR 3,0; endometrium RR 1,6
ovary RR 1,5; lymphoma RR 7
- Screening for secondary malignancies
according to current guidelines
- Pelvic examination and PAP smear
- Routine endometrial ultrasound / biopsy

Follow-Up Care for Breast Cancer

Recommendations for asymptomatic pts.

(mod. nach ASCO-ACS Empfehlungen 2016, NCCN 3.2017 und S3-Leitlinie 2017)

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Clinical follow-up		Follow-Up*				Screening/ Follow up		
Years after primary therapy		1	2	3	4	5	> 5	
History, physical examination, counseling		inv.: every 3 months			inv.: every 6 months		inv.: every 12 months	
Self-examination		monthly						
Imaging modalities and biochemistry		indicated only by complaints, clinical findings or suspicion of recurrence						
Mammo- graphy and additionally sonography	BCT**	ipsilat.: every 12 months		contralat.: every 12 months				on both sides: every 12 months
	Mastectomy	contralateral every 12 months						

* Continued follow-up visits if still on adjuvant treatment

** In pts with breast-conserving therapy (BCT): First mammography 1 year after initial mammography
or at least 6 months after completion of radiotherapy

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Duration and Breast Nurses

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■ Duration of follow-up			
■ until 5 yrs	1c	A	++
■ until 10 yrs	1c	A	+
■ Surveillance by specialized breast nurses	2b	B	+/-*

■ Duration of follow-up

- until 5 yrs
- until 10 yrs

■ Surveillance by specialized breast nurses

*Studies recommended

Luminal-like, HER2-positive and Triple-negative Breast Cancer Patients

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- **Intrinsic typing of breast cancer leads to the development of subgroups with different courses of disease**
- **Postoperative surveillance should be tailored to specific breast cancer type and their associated time periods of recurrence.**
- **ER-positive patients have a stable risk of recurrence of multiple years. Long term surveillance is recommended.**
- **In contrast, patients with HER2-positive disease and TNBC have an increased risk of recurrence in the early follow up phase. Surveillance should be adjusted accordingly.**