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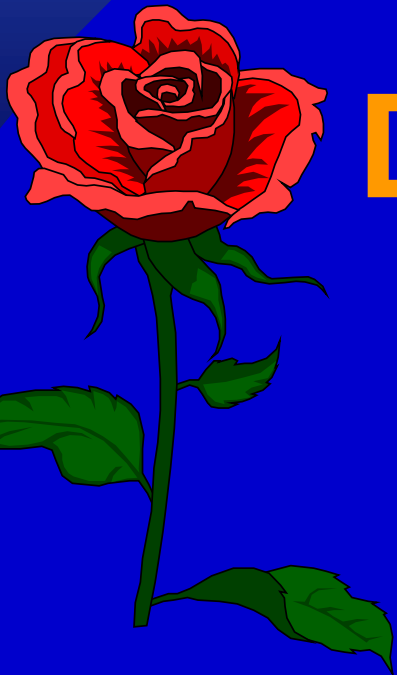


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# Optimization of Prognosis of Ovarian Cancers



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# *Introduction*

- Ovarian cancer is the 3<sup>rd</sup> common gynecologic cancer that accounts for 32% of all gynecologic malignancies.
- It causes 55% of all gynecologic cancer deaths.

It is the 4<sup>th</sup> leading cause of cancer deaths in females

# *Prognosis*

- ***Prognosis*** refers to the probable course and/or outcome of a disease or condition.
- ***Cancer prognosis*** is most often expressed as the percentage of patients who are expected to survive over five or ten years..

# *Factors affecting ovarian cancer prognosis*

- *1) Factors related to the patient.*
- *2) 1) Factors related to the tumor :*
  - *a) Stage.*
  - *b) Pathological type.*

<i>PROGNOSIS</i>	<i>ECT</i>	<i>GCT</i>	<i>SCST</i>
<i>Best</i>	<i>Mucinous T</i>	<i>Dysgerminoma</i>	<i>LOW GRADE</i>
<i>Worst</i>	<i>Serous T</i>	<i>EST</i>	<i>MALIGNANCY</i>

# *Factors affecting ovarian cancer prognosis*

- *C) Degree of differentiation.*
- *d) Residual tumor mass.*
  - *>2cm... bad prognosis.*
  - *<2cm... good prognosis.*
- *e) DNA content*
  - *Diploid... good prognosis.*
  - *Aneuploid... bad prognosis.*
- *3) Factors related to the treatment offered.*

***The five-year survival rates after treatment for each stage of ovarian cancer are as follows:***

- ***Stage 1:*** 90%
- ***Stage II:*** 70%
- ***Stage III:*** *Patients diagnosed at this stage had an average 5-year survival of 15 to 20% in the past, but newer drugs and more aggressive treatments have extended the survival for many women.*
- ***Stage IV:*** 1% to 5%



*Ovarian cancer has the worst prognosis of gynecologic malignancies*

- *WHY?*

*a) LATE Diagnosis* as early symptoms are vague so over 75% of Ovarian Cancer cases are diagnosed at an advanced stage.

*b) Early dissemination* as it lies inside the peritoneal cavity.

- *c) Para-aortic LN is the 1<sup>st</sup> relay (?).not usually resectable.*
- *d) Bilateral oophorectomy is the only prophylactic method.*

# *How to Optimize Ovarian cancer Prognosis?*

- ***Early diagnosis through:***
  - *Identifying women at risk.*
  - *Prompt investigation of suspicious symptoms.*
  - *Development of screening tests.*
- ***Prevention:***
  - *Prophylactic oophorectomy.*
- ***Improvement of use of existing therapeutics.***
- ***Further development of experimental therapies***

# Early diagnosis

- *1. Identify woman at risk.*
- *2. Symptomatology.*
- *3. Screening tests.*
  - *1. Pelvic examination.*
  - *2. Cytology.*
  - *3. Imaging.*
  - *4. Tumor markers*

# *Identify women at risk*

- *Age: no age is immune but it is common in*
  - *Peri, postmenopausal, median age 60.*
- *Geography:*
  - *5 times more in developed countries.*
  - *Highest in Sweden, Israel, least in Japan..*
  - *Residence is more important than race.*
- *Race; White more susceptible*

# *Identify women at risk*

- *Reproductive history:*
  - *Late age of 1<sup>st</sup> pregnancy.*
  - *Nulligravida or low parity.*
  - *No use COC. protection of OCP proportional with duration of use.*
  - *INCESSANT OVULATION HYPOTHESIS, index of ovarian cancer =time from menarche to cessation of ovulation – time of anovulation due to pregnancy and lactation.*

# *Identify women at risk*

- *Hyperestrogenic conditions.*
- *Dysgenetic gonads.*

# *Identify women at risk*

- *Past history:*
  - *Primary BREAST, COLON, ENDOMETRIUM.*
  - *Rubella at age 12-18, mumps antibody titer, has higher risk.*
  - *Sanitary pads with talc.*
- *Family history:*
  - *If mother or sister have ov cancer, BRCA1,2*



# *Investigations of suspicious symptoms.*

- *Vague symptoms = Late diagnosis = poor prognosis*

# Screening Tests:

- *DEF: early detection of disease in asymptomatic individual.*
- *CRITERIA OF IDEAL SCREENING TEST.*
- *VALUE OF SCREENING TEST.*

# *Screening Tests:*

- Pelvic Examination.
- *Cytology.*
- *Imaging.*
- *Tumor Markers.*
- *Recent screening.*

# Annual bimanual Pelvic Examination.

- *Palpable ovaries in postmenopausal women is abnormal. (?Palpable ovary syndrome)*

# *Cytology*

- *Pap smear, paracetesis, Pouch of Douglas peritoneal cytology ,U/S GUIDED needle aspiration, questionable and unreliable.*

# Imaging

- **Us:** little value.....  
*increased ovarian volume twice the mean volume is suspicious. Presence of cystic ov are suspicious.*
- **Doppler us:** detect neovascularization.
- **3D U/S.**
- **Cat?** Impractical
- **MRI?** Impractical
- **Radioimmuno localization.**

# *Tumor Markers*

- *Oncodevelopmental (CEA).*
- *Carcinoplacental. AFP, HCG.*
- *Metabolic.LDH*
- *Tumor specific or tumor associated (CA 125).*
  - *Could help in monitoring the prognosis.*
  - *Poor sensitivity*

# Recent screening

- *Multimodal screening*=use CA125 AS 1<sup>st</sup> line test, if abnormal TVU/S will be done. (cost, TVU/S, sensitivity, specificity)
- *Use transcriptional profiling of ovarian cancer cell line*(prostasin& aserine protease are higher in ovarian cancer cells)



## *Recent screening*

- *Proteomic pattern* identification in serum using (SELDI-TOF-MS). 100% sensitivity, 95% specificity.
- *Genetic testing* for ..BRCA1, BRCA2 mutation carriers.

# Prevention

## Prophylactic oophorectomy:

- Def: surgical removal of healthy ovaries to protect against future malignancies?
- Indication:
- Advantages: prevent cancer, ovaries, tube and breast.
- Disadvantage: menopausal symptoms, 1ry peritoneal cancer, surgical complication.

# *Improve Existing Treatment.*

- ***Surgery*** (cornerstone of treatment).
  - *Staging.*
  - *Surgical procedure.*
- ***Postoperative treatment.***
  - *Chemotherapy.*
  - *Radiotherapy*
- ***Adjuvant therapy.***
- ***Monitoring treatment.***

# Surgery

- **Staging laparotomy: 1ry method for, diagnosis, staging, treatment and follow up.**
  - *Vertical incision.*
  - *Aspirate, or saline washing.*
  - *Careful assessment., Liver, rt subphrenic space (because lymph of peritoneal cavity drain to inferior surface of diaphragm before getting mediastinal LN. Diaphragmatic metastases 10% stage I, 20% stage II.), All other organs as omentum, intestine,....*
  - *Para-aortic LN sampling.*
  - *Proper staging, for prognosis, selection of adjuvant therapy.....*

# *Staging: FIGO staging for ovarian cancer is as follows:*

- *Stage I - Growth limited to the ovaries*
  - *Stage Ia - Growth limited to 1 ovary, no ascites, no tumor on external surface, capsule intact*
  - *Stage Ib - Growth limited to both ovaries, no ascites, no tumor on external surface, capsule intact*
  - *Stage Ic - Tumor either stage Ia or Ib but with tumor on surface, ruptured capsule, ascites with malignant cells or positive peritoneal washings*

- *Stage II - pelvic extension*
  - *Stage IIa - Extension and/or metastases to the uterus or tubes*
  - *Stage IIb - Extension to other pelvic tissues*
  - *Stage IIc - Stage IIa or IIb but with tumor on surface of one or both ovaries, ruptured capsule, ascites with malignant cells or positive peritoneal washings*

- *Stage III – Abdominal extension*
  - *Stage IIIa - Microscopic disease on abdominal peritoneal surfaces.*
  - *Stage IIIb - implant dose not exceed 2 cm in diameter and lymph nodes are negative*
  - *Stage IIIc - Abdominal implants larger than 2 cm in diameter and/or positive lymph nodes*

- *Stage IV - Distant metastases; pleural effusion must have a positive cytology to be classified as stage IV; parenchymal liver metastases equals stage IV*



# *Surgical Procedure.*

- *1) Conservative surgery (unilateral salpingo-oophorectomy) Indicated in:*
  - *a) Young patient want to keep fertility.*
  - *b) Stage Ia tumor .*
  - *c) Reliable follow up.*
- *ALLTOGETHER MUST TO BE PRESENT SO IT IS RARELY DONE.*

# *Surgical Procedure*

- *2) Radical surgery = TAH+ BSO+ Omentectomy +/- Appendectomy.*
- *Indications: stage Ia ,Ib ,IIa with negative peritoneal wash (rarely done).*

# *Surgical Procedure*

- *3) Debulking = Cytoreductive surgery.*
  - *Aim: remove a tumor bulk, will allow chemotherapy to act.*
  - *Structures to be removed = TAH + BSO + Omentectomy + Appendectomy + Remove any removable infiltrated organ.*

# Surgical Procedure

- *Types of debulking:*
  - *1) Primary Debulking: commonly done (Advanced cases).*
  - *2) Interval Debulking.*
    - *Following suboptimal 1ry debulking.*
    - *Chemotherapy– debulking– Chemotherapy.*
    - *1ry Chemotherapy--- Interval debulking*
  - *3) Secondary Debulking.*
    - *Recurrent cancer.*
    - *Aggressive disease from the start will require 2ndry debulking.*

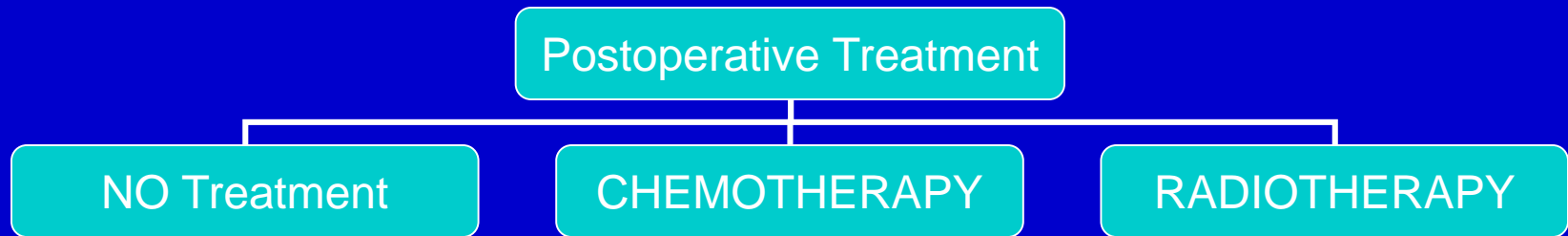
# *Surgical Procedure*

- *Optimum Cytoreductive surgery*  
=reduce residual tumor to minimum, but  
now=complete absence of disease at end  
of surgery.
- *Prognosis high if residue*  
*<1.6cm(<0.5cm).*

# *Postoperative Treatment* *depends on:*

- *Prognostic indicators:*
  - *Residual mass.*
  - *Tumor grade. Then..*
  - *Stage , age, histology.*

# Postoperative Treatment



# No Postoperative Treatment

- *1) well differentiated border line tumors.*
- *2) stage Ia well differentiated tumors.*



# *Postoperative* CHEMOTHERAPY

- *Single regimen. (well differentiated tumor)*
- *Combination regimen. (poorly differentiated tumor)*

# *Postoperative* RADIOTHERAPY

- *Must be pelvi-abdominal.*
- *Only in endometroid tumor.*

# *Chemotherapy.*

- *Rules of chemotherapy: (combination, courses, sequential, high dose, under strict monitoring)*
- *Chemotherapy used:*
- *Advancement:*
  - *1) Intrapertoneal administration.*
  - *2) In vitro sensitivity tests (stem cell assay)*
  - *3) Reversal of drug resistance.*

# *Chemotherapy.*

- *4) Development of new lines:*
  - *a) Paclitaxel.*
  - *b) Topotecan.*
- ***ROLE OF CHEMOTHERAPY IN IMPROVING PROGNOSIS:** studies concluded that surgery had small effect survival of women with advanced ovarian cancer ,and the type of chemotherapy used was more important in improving median survival time.*

# RADIOTHERAPY

- *1) Intrapertitoneal radiotherapy.*
- *2) Whole external Abdomino-pelvic radiotherapy.*
- *Recent reports proved that radiotherapy can provide an effective adjuvant that may improve prognosis.*

# *Monitoring treatment*

- *Aim:*
  - *Early detection of persistence or recurrence.*
  - *To confirm complete response, to stop chemo.*
  - *To avoid premature discontinuation of TT.*

# Monitoring treatment

- *Noninvasive:*
  - *Clinical; S&S of recurrence*
  - *Investigations;*
    - *T. markers.*
    - *Imaging.*
  - *If +ve..2<sup>nd</sup> line chemotherapy.*
  - *If-ve 2<sup>nd</sup> look lap. after 6-12m.*
- *Invasive:*
  - *2<sup>nd</sup> look laparotomy.*
  - *2<sup>nd</sup> look laparoscopy good +ve but not a good -ve.?*

# *Development of experimental therapies.*

- *1) New cytotoxic agents, platinum analogues.*
- *2) Hormonal therapy; Anti-estrogen*
- *3) Stem cell assay,*
- *4) NEW DRUGS;*
  - *Angiogenesis inhibitors.*
  - *Matrix metalloproteinase inhibitors.*

- **5) Gene therapy.**

- **Def:** *introduction of genetic materials into host cell for a therapeutic purpose.*
- **TARGETS:**
  - *1) Repairing defects in tumor genes.*
  - *2) specific anti-tumor cell immunity.*
  - *3) Tumor cell cytotoxicity.*
- **Vector:** *ADENOVIRUS (highly infectious+ wide prevalence of receptors).*
- **Results:** *used in recurrent cases with hope to improve prognosis.*



- **6) Viral therapy:**

- **DEF:** *Viruses have evolved to infect, replicate in, and kill human cells.*
- **Types;**
  - 1) *selectively engineered: Adenovirus.*
  - 2) *Nonselectively engineered: New castle disease virus.*
- **Advantages:** *no cross resistance with standard therapies.*
- **Results:** *great promise to improve prognosis in patient with advanced and recurrent ovarian cancer.*

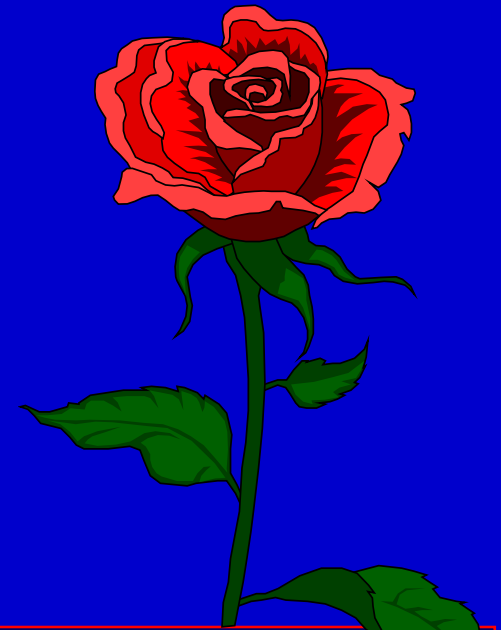
# *Development of experimental therapies.*

- **7) Immunotherapy:**
  - **a) Nonspecific;** attempts to stimulate cell mediated immunity, *Corynebacterium Parvum*.
  - **b) Specific;**
    - *Tumor specific MCA.*
    - *Lymphokine activated killer cells.*
    - *Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes.*
    - *HER2/NEU passive or active immunization.(HER2/NEU = Oncogenic protein its overexpression in ovarian cancer is related to bad prognosis)*
- **8) Mullarian inhibitory factor (under trial)**

# *Development of experimental therapies*

- *Recently there are trial of cryopreservation of oocytes, embryos, and ovarian tissues to preserve ovarian function in such patients.*
- *Inspite of the mentioned efforts ovarian cancer still has the **worst prognosis among all gynecologic cancers.***

Thank you



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