





#### **GRAND ROUNDS CALL**

With Dr. Nalini Chilkov

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Second Wednesday of Every Month 5:30 PM Pacific / 6:30 PM Mountain / 7:30 PM Central / 8:30 PM Eastern

#### Clinical Pearl: The Role of Copper in Angiogenesis and Metastasis

#### Angiogenesis:

- Normal physiological process through which new blood vessels form from pre-existing vessels Present in normal growth and development of our tissue and wound healing Fundamental step in the transition of tumors from a benign state to a malignant state Promotes tumor growth and metastasis (inhibit to control disease progression)
- Capillaries that form are not health vessels (disorganized)
- Contain specialized cells that swim away and establish elsewhere, escaping immune defenses; also contain enzymes that penetrate other tissues
- Occur more in vascular areas (brain, lungs, liver) and also travel through lymphatic system

#### Copper and Angiogenesis [Finney, 2009]

- Angiogenesis displays an exquisite sensitivity to bioavailable copper.
- Depletion of copper has been shown to inhibit angiogenesis in a wide variety of cancers.
- Copper is one of the key components of enzymes that control the tumor microenvironment, as well as appearing to have a role in how cancer cells migrate

#### Copper Lowering Therapy with Tetrathiomolybdate (TM - copper chelator) [Brewer, 2014]

- Study demonstrated major efficacy of TM, against advanced human cancers, previously virtually incurable
- TM therapy appears to be CURATIVE (put brakes on progression)
- TM also has major anti-inflammatory properties by inhibiting copper dependent cytokines involved in inflammation
- Cancers, as they advance, attract inflammatory cells that provide a plethora of additional pro-angiogenic agents

#### Copper Depletion and Breast Cancer [Jain, 2013]

• Patients who were at high risk of recurrence and received TM copper depletion therapy experienced an overall increase in survival time as well as a decreased risk of relapse

#### Oral Copper Depletion

- Nutraceuticals
- Oral Tetrathiomolybdate
- Control Copper Intake

#### Normal Laboratory Values - Goals for Inhibition of Angiogenesis

 Serum Copper
 72-166 ug/dl (Goal: 72-95)

 Ceruloplasmin
 16-39 mg/dl (Goal: 10-22)

 Serum Zinc
 56-134 ug/dl

Zn: Cu Ratio at least > 1:1 Better 2:1-3:1

#### Copper Depletion: Tetrathiomolybdate

- TM Dose: 20-40 mg po with each meal **plus** 60 mg po at bedtime on empty stomach
- Monitor Serum Cp, Cu, Zn and CBC q 2-4 weeks

- Target Goals:
  - Cp and Cu lowest quartile of normal (do not chelate to below 10mg/dl)
- Zn:Cu Ratio 3:1 2:1
- Requires Oral Zn Supplementation (60-120mg/day) as Zinc citrate or picolinate
- Contraindications: RBC anemia

#### Copper Depletion: Nutraceuticals ( Sulfhydryl containing compounds)

EMPTY STOMACH

- N-AcetylCysteine 500-1000mg qid
- Alpha Lipoic Acid 100mg (3-4 times per day ) qid

WITH FOOD

• Zinc citrate or picolinate 30-120/mg/d

**Control Copper Intake:** Avoid liver, organ meats, oysters, nuts and seeds, copper cookware, copper containing supplements

#### **Questions & Answers**

#### Judy Pruzinsky: What are your thoughts on consuming sugar alcohols such as xylitol?

# Sugar alcohols do not raise insulin but they do disrupt the intestinal microbiome in many patients leading to the potential for diarrhea, gas and bloating.

Sugar alcohols arrive in the LI intact and draw water into the gut and then start to break down and act like a fermentable soluble fiber and become fuel for certain existing populations of methane producing bacteria. Thus depending upon the populations of microbes in an individual, xylitol may or may not increase those methane producing populations.

They are CHO. They do have calories and some Type 1 Diabetes patients see insulin rise with sugar alcohols.

Erythritol is not fermentable and does not cause gas and bloating. Erythritol is one of the ingredients in TRUVIA, a stevia based sweetener.

Disruption of the intestinal epithelium and dysbiosis can result from fermentation of sugar alcohols. Dysbiosis can then lead to glucose intolerance and a higher risk for, or worsening of, diabetes (a large population of people who use artificial sweeteners) and autoimmune inflammation due to dysbiosis.

#### Conclusion: Avoid Sugar Alcohols!!!

#### TEXT BELOW: Yale New Haven Hospital Newsletter https://www.ynhh.org/services/nutrition/sugar-alcohol.aspx

Sugar alcohols, also known as polyols, are ingredients used as sweeteners and bulking agents. They occur naturally in foods and come from plant products such as fruits and berries. As a sugar substitute, they provide fewer calories (about a half to one-third less calories) than regular sugar. This is because they are converted to glucose more slowly, require little or no insulin to be metabolized and don't cause sudden increases in blood sugar. This makes them popular among individuals with diabetes; however, their use is becoming more common by just about everyone. You may be consuming them and not even know it.

Common sugar alcohols are mannitol, sorbitol, xylitol, lactitol, isomalt, maltitol and hydrogenated starch hydrolysates (HSH) and are found in many processed foods. Food products labeled "sugar-free," including hard candies, cookies, chewing gums, soft drinks and throat lozenges often consist of sugar alcohols. They are frequently used in toothpaste and mouthwash.

#### FORMS OF SUGAR ALCOHOLS

<u>Mannitol</u> occurs naturally in pineapples, olives, asparagus, sweet potatoes and carrots. It is extracted from seaweed for use in food manufacturing. Mannitol has 50-70 percent of the relative sweetness of sugar, which means more must be used to equal the sweetness of sugar. Mannitol lingers in the intestines for a long time and therefore often causes bloating and diarrhea.

<u>Sorbitol</u> is found naturally in fruits and vegetables. It is manufactured from corn syrup. Sorbitol has only 50 percent of the relative sweetness of sugar which means twice as much must be used to deliver a similar amount of sweetness to a product. It has less of a tendency to cause diarrhea compared to mannitol. It is often an ingredient in sugar-free gums and candies.

<u>Xylitol</u> is also called "wood sugar" and occurs naturally in straw, corncobs, fruit, vegetables, cereals, mushrooms and some cereals. Xylitol has the same relative sweetness as sugar. It is found in chewing gums.

<u>Lactitol</u> has about 30-40 percent of sugar's sweetening power, but its taste and solubility profile resembles sugar so it is often found in sugar-free ice cream, chocolate, hard and soft candies, baked goods, sugar-reduced preserves and chewing gums.

<u>Isomalt</u> is 45 - 65 percent as sweet as sugar and does not tend to lose its sweetness or break down during the heating process. Isomalt absorbs little water, so it is often used in hard candies, toffee, cough drops and lollipops.

<u>Maltitol</u> is 75 percent as sweet as sugar. It is used in sugar-free hard candies, chewing gum, chocolate-flavored desserts, baked goods and ice cream because it gives a creamy texture to foods.

<u>Hydrogenated starch hydrolysates (HSH)</u> are produced by the partial hydrolysis of corn. HSH are nutritive sweeteners that provide 40 - 90 percent of the sweetness of sugar. HSH do not crystallize and are used extensively in confections, baked goods and mouthwashes.

# *Kamron Keep:* Is there anyone who shouldn't take Huang Qin Tang or any side effects we should watch for? Did you say this is a supplement someone could stay on for long periods of time?

HQT is a very balanced formulation and can be used long term if needed for ex chronic diarrhea during and post chemo or chronic IBS as part of a comprehensive tx. Contraindications: some patients cannot tolerate the berberine in the Huang Qin. The beauty of this ancient formula is that it is very balanced. As with any therapeutic agent....individual dosing and assessment are required.

*Carla Halford*: What lymphoma is as it doesn't have tumour growth. So far we have talked about tumors and how to deal with them. I understand the cancer is in the WBC but not much further than that. In neutrophils, eosinophils, lymphocytes, monocytes or basophils. I guess lymphocytes...?

The hematologic cancers are not solid tumors, they arise in the bone marrow and include Multiple Myeloma (invades bone), Leukemias (leukocytes) and Lymphomas (lymphocytes-invade the lymph nodes). This class of malignant syndromes has some unique traits. They are invasive, proliferative, inflammatory and often pro-coagulation. A proliferation of one type of cell will crowd out other cells and therefore there may be sequela such as RBC anemia or Thrombocytopenia, for example. With leukemias and lymphomas there can be a viral component (HSV, EBV, HVB HVC). The hematologic cancers will be a topic of a future clinical pearl and an advanced module.

- Often diagnosed by blood smear analysis
- Watch CBC+Diff, LDH, Uric Acid (uricemia), LFT (biliary obstruction), Creatinine (renal obstruction) as reflections of inflammation and tumor load

#### Cynthia Watson: **Post-Call Follow-up Questions**

When you treat lymphoma to any type of anti-viral treatment since it might be related to EBV?

- Burkitt's lymphoma is know to be related to EBV
- Viral DNA has also been found in leukemia and lymphoma cells
- There are anti-tumor botanicals such as andrographis that are also strong anti-virals, so I always think about including those in a formula

With Leukemia, since these aren't solid tumors, is chelating copper important?

Only solid tumors are impacted by copper chelation

#### Do people with allergy to sulfa drugs have issues with the tetrathiomolybdate?

The only adverse effects of TM therapy in my experience:

- GI distress gas, constipation (both mild)
- RBC anemia

## When you use the herbal mixtures how to do mix them – do you use a powder and mix them or do you use tinctures?

I prefer tinctures as the shelf life is at least 5 years and it reduces the number of capsules in a complex tx plan. Many clinicians do mix powders, however I feel that they degrade quickly and have a very short shelf life. Powdered herbs that are supplied in sealed packets have a longer shelf life, but it is difficult to mix formulas this way. I do use single Phytochemicals such as Resveratrol and Ursolic Acid and Honokiol, but with herbal extracts I prefer liquids.

#### Case Study

39F with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) - Submitted by Sarah Shehab

Background: Dx 03/2015, No conventional treatment

#### Recommendations:

#### Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)

- Highly inflammatory
- Characterized by failure of apoptosis (BCL2), VEGF, Pi3K>AKT>MTOR
- Use of botanicals and nutraceuticals that raise WBC and lymphocytes is contraindicated (Vitamin C, Echinacea, Astragalus, Medicinal Mushrooms (except Ganoderma), IP-6 for example)
- VIT E shown to interfere with action of EGCG on CLL

#### Sample Protocol

EGCG 2 g bid Curcumin 2 g bid Omega 3 fatty acids 2 g bid Zinc 30 mg bid Vitamin D optimize blood levels to 65-80 start 5000iu Vitamin A 10,000 iu/day monitor serum Resveratrol 1 g bid Feverfew 1 g bid Honokiol 1-2 g /day Ganoderma 3 g/day (Consider NATURA Botanical Treasures\_ contains Green Tea, Resveratrol Curcumin)

#### Sample Chinese Herbal Formula

#### 240 ml (8 oz) 1 tsp 2-3x/day

40 Scutellaria baicalensis Huang Qin
30 Heydotis diffusa (Oldenlandia) Bai hua she she cao
30 Curcuma Longa Yu Jin
30 Camelia sinensis Cha Ye
30 Salvia milthiorrihiza Dan Shen
20 Magnolia off cortex Hou Po
20 Tanacetum parthenium Feverfew
20 Rabdosia pubescens Dong Ling Cao
10 Paeonia lactiflora Whitel Peony Bai Shaoyao
10 Glycyrrhiza glabra (raw) Gan Cao

#### Promote apoptosis - Inhibit Bcl2

Scutellaria baicalensis (baicalin, baicalein, wogonin) Curcumin Oridonin Quercetin Resveratrol Sulforaphanes Rabdosia (oridonin)

#### Support Inflammation Control and NFkB

Boswellia Curcumin O3FA Parthenolide (many studies with AML) Feverfew 1 g bid

#### Steroid like inflammation control

Glycyrrhiza glabra (licorice root) extract 1-2 teaspoons qid NATURA Inflamaway

#### Antiviral

Zinc Vitamin D Vitamin A

#### **VEGF** inhibition

EGCG Curcumin

#### **Promote Differentiation**

Vitamin D Vitamin A

#### Prevent Thrombosis (caution—some patients >>hemorrhage not thrombosis)

Curcumin Omega 3 Fatty Acids

#### Inhibit PI3K>AKT>mTOR pathway (Rapamycin)

Pure Honokiol 1 g tid Resveratrol Curcumin Quercetin

Thymoquinone induces apoptosis Nigella Sativa (Black Cumin Seed) Oil

#### Nrf2 Activation

White Peony Paeonia lactiflora EGCG Resveratrol Sulforaphanes Curcumin Milk Thistle Pomegranate

#### Olive Leaf Gingko biloba

Marjanovic, G. (2017). <u>The use of inexpensive broad spectrum lower toxicity therapeutics in chronic lymphocytic</u> <u>leukemia</u>. Journal of BU ON.: official journal of the Balkan Union of Oncology, 22(2), 288. (PMID: 28534346) **Abstract** 

The use of new and highly efficient targeted therapies for chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) is costly and out of reach for many health care systems. On the other hand, in recent years, few inexpensive, broad-spectrum low-toxicity therapeutics have proven to be effective both in the preclinical and clinical settings. In early-stage CLL, the use of 2000 mg of epigallocatechin-3-gallate (EGCG) from the green tea extract twice a day was able to reduce the absolute leukocyte count. Supplementation of >2000 IU/day of Vitamin D in early low-risk CLL patients is able to delay disease progression and postpone the moment of initiation of the first treatment. The doses of both vitamin D and EGCG were shown to be safe in older patients. Vitamin D, EGCG and Curcumin, either as monotherapy or in combination, have additive and synergistic effects with conventional chemotherapy. Further observations have identified the improvement of response to rituximab-fludarabine-cyclophosphamide (R-FC) therapy with concomitant administration of statin and aspirin combination in relapsed/refractory CLL. Finally, high dose dexamethasone with 40mg/m2/day for 4 days, every 28 days, either alone or with monoclonal antibody, might be used as a salvage therapy or for debulking before transplantation in refractory/resistant cases. Dexamethasone therapy is followed by transient response and high rate of infections, but fluid retention and other toxicities are lower compared to high dose methylprednisolone schedules. The low cost therapeutics discussed in this review could not be a substitute for the more effective targeted therapies, but their use in everyday practice might postpone the need for early implementation of new and costly medications.

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.. herbs or compounds from within the CHM pharmacopeia, that may be beneficial for CLL patients, for example, Indirubin (Isatis tinctorium=Indigo), Curcumin, *Hedyotis diffusa (ursolic acid),* and *Ganoderma lucidum* (ganoderic acid) *Salvia miltiorrhiza (tanshinones and salvionolic acids),...* 

#### Case Study

Patient 67 M "JT" - Follicular (Non-Hodgkins B Cell) Lymphoma Stage 3 - Submitted by Judy Pruzinsky

Background: CT + Rituxan completed, recent scans NED

**Question:** Lymphoma is recurring dx - how to delay? How to support immunity? **Question:** Told that post tx would have decrease in fatigue, brain fog and inc in WBC within 30 d (recent 6.2) 2.5+ = adequate immunity to mount a response to infection Neutropenic diet guidelines are for stem cell transplant patients and pts with WBC below 2.5

**Recommendations**: Caution Resveratrol

Acupuncture

#### **Botanicals-Nutriceuticals**

Green Tea EGCG can induce apoptosis

Curcumin RANKL (osteoporosis) inhibits NFkB (inflammation), inhibits tumor metastasis, invasion, and angiogenesis, promotes apoptosis

VIT D optimize — maintain bone integrity, modulate immunity and cell adhesion, antiviral

Ganoderma anti inflammatory and immune modulating

Scutellaria baicalensis: Berberine and Baicalein NFkb, TNFa, Bcl-2

Honokiol promote PTEN expression -suppression of oncogenes and PI3K-AKT-mTOR pathway

Vitamin A 5000-10,000 iu 3x/week (monitor blood levels) antiviral

Zinc 30-120mg (antiviral)

Andrographis (antiviral, anti-proliferation, anti-inflammatory) 2-3g/day

Salvia milthirorrhiza modulate coagulation, anti-proliferative

Oldenlandia (Heydotis) Ursolic acid, promotes apoptosis, inhibits proliferation, initiation, progression Proteolytic enzymes: inflammation, coagulation, Bcl-2

**Inhibit BIc-2** EPA, DIM, Sulphoraphane, Rabdosia (Oridonin), Ganoderma, Chaga, Quercetin, Gingko, Thymoquinone (Nigella seed oil), Ashwaganda (withanolide), Panax Ginseng

FATIGUE assoc with abnl CBC and with increased inflammation - Ashwaganda, Panax Ginseng, Ganoderma

#### LAB

CBC+Diff, ANC, NLR, LDH, Uric Acid (uricemia), LFT (biliary obstruction), Creatinine (renal obstruction) as reflection of inflammation and tumor load and prognosis

Inflammation markers CRP, IL1B, IL6, IL2, TNFa, INF, (IL-5 assoc with B cell lymphomas)

#### **Monitor ANC**

One measure of risk is the absolute neutrophil count (ANC). The ANC is calculated by multiplying the total white blood count by the percent of neutrophils (also called segmented neutrophils, segs, polymorphoneucleated cells or PMNs, polys)

Total white blood count x % neutrophils\* = ANC

\* Neutrophils may be reported as segs & bands (a band is slightly less mature form of a seg). In this case add the % of segs to the % of bands then multiply by the total number of white blood cells. (% segs + % bands) x Total white blood count = ANC

Patients with Low WBC/Low ANC do NOT present with typical S&S of infection. Such as:

- Redness
- Swelling
- Pus formation (at the site of an injury or incision)
- Cough
- Sputum
- Nasal drainage (from a sinus or respiratory infection)

Be on the alert for:

- A temperature greater than or equal to 100°F. Chills (rigors) or shakes
- Sudden onset of a new unexplained pain.
- Sore throat
- Sores in mouth
- A white coating in mouth-tongue, especially

• Signs of a bladder infection

Risk of Infection based on Absolute Neutrophil Count (ANC)

- ANC greater than 1500 No increased risk of infection
- ANC 1000-1500 Slight increase in risk of infection
- ANC 500-1000 Moderate increase in risk of infection
- ANC 100-500 High risk of infection
- ANC less than 100 Extremely high risk of infection

#### Post-Call Follow-up Q&A:

#### Are most hematologic cancers virally induced?

An ONCOGENIC virus is a virus that can induce tumorigenesis and cause cancer

An ONCOLYTIC virus can lyse tumor cells and kill them and can be used therapeutically (theoretically)

## What differences and similarities are there between treatment protocols for lymphocytic leukemia and follicular non-Hodgkin's lymphoma?

In "Integrative Oncology" in the context of this course, we are not TREATING cancer. We are transforming the tumor microenvironment to change signalling and exert epigenetic effects on the behavior of tumor cells. In this context, the approach to altering the tumor microenvironment is quite similar. In conventional oncology today there are excellent targeted treatments (such as Rituxamab that bind to a CD20 receptor) that TREAT the cancer cells.

# I didn't catch what you were saying about interferon nor interleukin 5 re: B cell lymphoma. I know of the connection to allergic rhinitis and asthma. Is there something specific to JT's case as he has such an extensive aggressive history of asthma?

Cancer is complex and each tumor cell line is unique and exists within the physiology of each unique patient. There are different patterns of pro-inflammatory cytokines expressed by different cancers and in different individuals. We also know that individuals who have SNPs and histories of producing more inflammation (good studies on IL1B, IL6, TNFa) will have more inflammation as cancer patients as well. IL-5 stimulates B cell growth and is linked to eosinophil activation in both normal and malignant cell lines.

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### METASTASIS the development of secondary malignant growths at a distance from a primary site of the cancer



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# Inhibition of Angiogenesis & Metastasis

- Copper is one of the key components of enzymes that control the tumor microenvironment, as well as appearing to have a role in how cancer cells migrate.
- Copper depletion inhibits angiogenesis (formation of new blood supply to tumor) and metastasis (cancer cell migration)

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Influencing the Tumor Microenvironment: Phase 2 Study of Copper Depletion with tetrathiomolybdate in high risk breast cancer and preclinical models of lung metastases

75 pts enrolled; 51 pts completed 2 years (1396 cycles). Stage 2 triple negative BC (TNBC), Stage 3 and stage 4 without any evidence of disease, (NED) BC pts, received oral TM to **maintain ceruloplasmin (Cp) between 8-17mg/** dL for 2 years or until relapse.

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2 year EFS for stage 2-3 and stage 4 NED was 91% and 67%, respectively. For TNBC pts EFS 90% (adjuvant pts) and 50% (stage 4 NED pts) at a median follow-up of 6.3 years. In preclinical models, TM decreased metastases to lungs (p=0.04), LOX activity (p=0.03) and collagen crosslinking (p=0.012).

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# ORAL COPPER DEPLETION

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- Oral Tetrathiomolybdate
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Monitor Serum Cp, Cu, Zn and CBC q 2-4 weeks

Target Goals: <u>Cp and Cu lowest quartile of normal</u> (do not chelate to below 10mg/dl)

Zn:Cu Ratio 3:1 - 2:1 Requires Oral Zn Supplementation (60-120mg/day) as Zinc citrate or picolinate

# **Copper Depletion: Nutraceuticals Sulfhydryl containing compounds**

### EMPTY STOMACH

- N-AcetylCysteine 500-1000mg qid
  - Alpha Lipoic Acid 100mg qid

### WITH FOOD

- Zinc citrate or picolinate 30-120/mg/d
- Control Copper Intake: Avoid liver, organ meats, oysters, copper cookware, copper containing supplements

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### CASE STUDY SUBMISSION

**Important:** In observance of HIPAA and the sacred trust between care giver and patient, absolutely no patient names or identifying information is to be disclosed. Patient privacy is to be preserved. If you attach any medical records, pathology, surgical or laboratory reports, all names are to be removed.

Date	9/25/17
<b>Clinician Name &amp; Credentials</b>	Sarah Shahab, MD
Email	sshahab2012@gmail.com

#### Describe Your Patient (Please SUMMARIZE and use economy of words. You will have 15 minutes to present)

Age, Gender & Ethnicity	39 year old , female			
Body Type				
Values	Quality of life, being able to be there for her teenagers			
What is most important to this patient? (Quality of Life, Decision Making, Side Effects?)				
Stress Resilience	very strong			
Other				
Primary Diagnosis & Date	CLL diagnosed in 3/15 incidental finding while getting blood work for a throat infection.			
(ex. Breast Cancer L, T3 N1 M0, BRCA1 positive, grade 3, Ki67 > 45%)				
Secondary Diagnosis	fatigue			
(ex. Diabetes Type 2, Obesity)				

#### **Patient Status**

New Diagnosis	Recurre	ence	In Treatment	□ In Recovery	□ In Remission	□ At Risk
Concomitant and/or Complicating Factors		none				
(ex: poorly controlled diabetes, insomnia, poor support system)						
Adverse Effects of Cancer or Cancer Treatments (ex. anxiety-depression, diarrhea, peripheral neuropathy)		no cancer	treatment so far			
Relevant Laboratory, Pathology & Medical Reports		please see WBC at di	e attached - labs sir agnosis 138, negati	ice 3/15 ve CD38 and ZAP70, p	ositive 13q deletion.	
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#### **Brief Summary of Recent History**

Incidental diagnosis following throat infection. Wait and watch so far. when diagnosed WBC was 138,000, WBC count now 200,000! She is feeling increasingly 'weak'.

Hg stays between 11 -13 mg%. At its highest WBC count was 267,000 in December 2016. I met her via skype in January and she implemented some of the things I asked her to. Her numbers did improve after that, but she stopped following recommendations.

#### Brief Summary of Additional Relevant Health, Medical, Psycho-Social and/or Family History

very good family support

#### **Other Relevant Information**

Such as Chinese or Ayurvedic diagnosis, Naturopathic/Homeopathic Information, etc. (ex. Liver Qi Stagnation, Dysbiosis)

no

#### Brief Summary of Relevant Past Oncology or Medical Treatments

(ex. surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, hormone therapy, drug therapy)

none

#### **Summary of Recent and Current Treatments**

Medical Oncology Care (surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, hormone therapy, drug therapy)

none

Integrative Oncology Care (nutraceutical, botanical, phytochemical, acupuncture, energy medicine, other)

In January, I met her via Skype she lives overseas. Talked to her about a clean, low carb plant based diet, meditation and other stress management techniques. put her on VitD, Magnesium, Fish oil, MVIs. She took some things for some time , numbers improved!

#### Your 2 Core Questions (stated clearly and succinctly)

1. What can we do while we 'wait'?

2. Any specific supplements?

#### Attached Medical Records for Reference (with patient identifying information removed)



### CASE STUDY SUBMISSION

**Important:** In observance of HIPAA and the sacred trust between care giver and patient, absolutely no patient names or identifying information is to be disclosed. Patient privacy is to be preserved. If you attach any medical records, pathology, surgical or laboratory reports, all names are to be removed.

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#### Describe Your Patient (Please SUMMARIZE and use economy of words. You will have 15 minutes to present)

Age, Gender & Ethnicity	67 yo, Male, Caucasian			
Body Type	short medium build			
Values What is most important to this patient? (Quality of Life, Decision Making, Side Effects?)	Misses freedom of movement Looking forward to rejoining socity			
Stress Resilience				
Other				
Primary Diagnosis & Date	6/21/2017 Low-grade or follicular non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, stage 3.			
(ex. Breast Cancer L, T3 N1 M0, BRCA1 positive, grade 3, Ki67 > 45%)	Primary group of nodes affected: from groin to sternum left side same as the TKR (Total Knee Replacement) and a node in arm pit Bionsy done by ultra-sound on largest 6 cm, node, in groin			
Secondary Diagnosis	High cholesterol, LDLs, and Total cholesterol/HDL			
(ex. Diabetes Type 2, Obesity)				

#### **Patient Status**

□ New Diagnosis □ Re	urrence	In Treatment	□ In Recovery	□ In Remission	□ At Risk
Concomitant and/or Complicating Factors					
(ex: poorly controlled diabeted insomnia, poor support system	, 1)				
Adverse Effects of Cancer or Cancer Treatments (ex. anxiety-depression, diarrhea, peripheral neuropathy)		ached in email Lymphor	ma symptoms		
Relevant Laboratory, Pathology & Medical Report (attach a PDF with patient identifying information remove or summarize)	2nd PE 1. Favo hyperm Lugano 2. No e 3. Incic	T CT scan 8/17 prable interval response netabolic adenopathy ab presponse category for evidence of new or prog lental CT and PET findir	to therapy, with signific pove and below the dia NHL interim scan: Res ressive FDG avid lesion ngs as detailed in repor	cant decrease in extent a phragm compared with th ponding disease, 5-PS s ns. rt. including aortic atheros	nd FDG avidity of ne prior study. core = 3 sclerosis.



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DIVERTICULOSIS OF COLON 5/3/2004 HYPERLIPIDEMIA 2/2/2009 Cardiovascular risk score 2016 - 15.1% advised meds ASTHMA, MILD PERSISTENT 2009 - see below for details showing severity

RETROPERITONEAL MASS 6/2017 HYPERCALCEMIA 6/2017 FOLLICULAR LYMPHOMA GRADE 2, MULTIPLE LN SITES 6/2017 AORTOILIAC ATHEROSCLEROSIS 7/2017 noted on CT

#### Brief Summary of Additional Relevant Health, Medical, Psycho-Social and/or Family History

1986 Major reaction to MOLD from remodeling home and local fora

- Asthma acted up really bad, requiring continuing medication to control 3 years of allergy shots which proved to be successful 2011-2017 Severe upper respiratory infection No medication taken Stress induced;
- Bedreddin for 6 weeks Several Blackouts from Vegus Nerve (coughing), once requiring stitches

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Exercise: Exercise - used to do gym / crossfit training (about 2-3 times per week) Now walking or golf (2/week)

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Chemotherapy Regime - BR - Bendamustine and Rituxan (Rituximab)Therapy 4-week cycle for 6 cycles (24 weeks) Day 1 Rituxan and Bendamustine and Day 2 just Bendamustine

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see attached in email Med list

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Reiki - wife does

#### Your 2 Core Questions (stated clearly and succinctly)

 Since lymphoma is a recurring event, how to delay (or possible to stop) recurrence. Can•t take Rituxin, as we build immunity,

2. Has been told WBC should get better within 30 days and fatigue and brain fog should abade in 90 days. Your experience?

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I attached in email the blood tests that were preformed. The results that were out of range were high Calcium, low Lymphocytes, and lipids mentioned elsewhere. There•re low/high normals which I can send to you electronically if helpful.