



# Lymphoma Updates and Treatment Options

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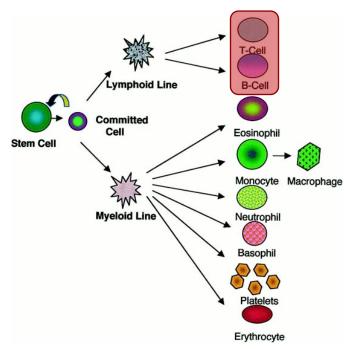
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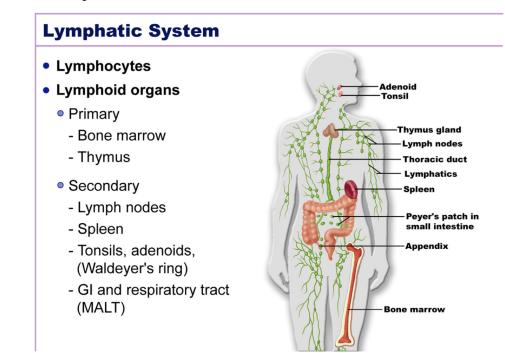
#### Outline

- Lymphoma Overview
- Treatment options
- Research updates
- Question & Answer session

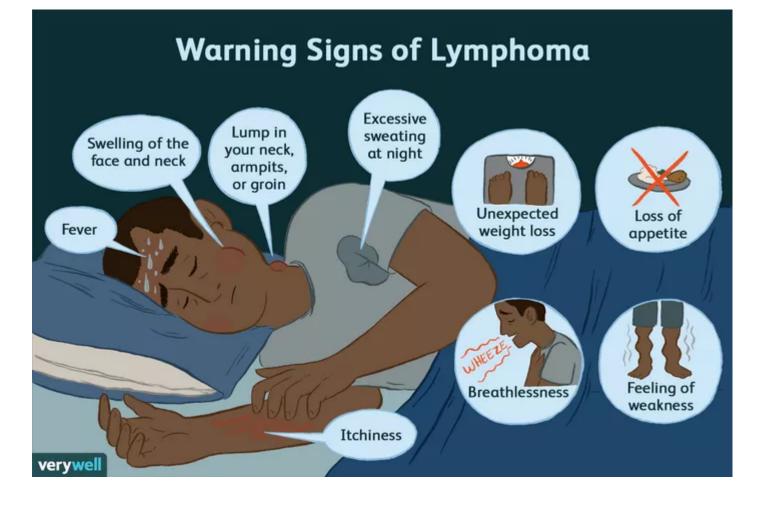
#### What is lymphoma?

- Lymphomas are cancers of cells called lymphocytes.
- Cancer is uncontrolled growth of clones of one type of cell.
- Lymphocytes are blood cells that are a part of the immune system.





#### How do patients present with lymphoma?



Abnormal labs such as blood counts

Abnormal scans

### How/why do patients get lymphoma?

- NHL is the most common blood-related cancer and the 7<sup>th</sup> most common cancer in the US
- Most frequently diagnosed among ages 65-74

#### Most patients have no clear risk factor or known cause of lymphoma

#### • Possible risk factors:

- Viruses like EBV, HTLV-I, hepatitis C
- Bacteria like H. pylori, Campylobater, Chlamydia psittaci
- Immunodeficiency induced or acquired (organ transplant, HIV), or congenital
- Immune dysregulation like lupus, rheumatoid arthritis
- Exposure to chemicals
- Usually not transmitted genetically (in families)

#### Mature B-cell neoplasms

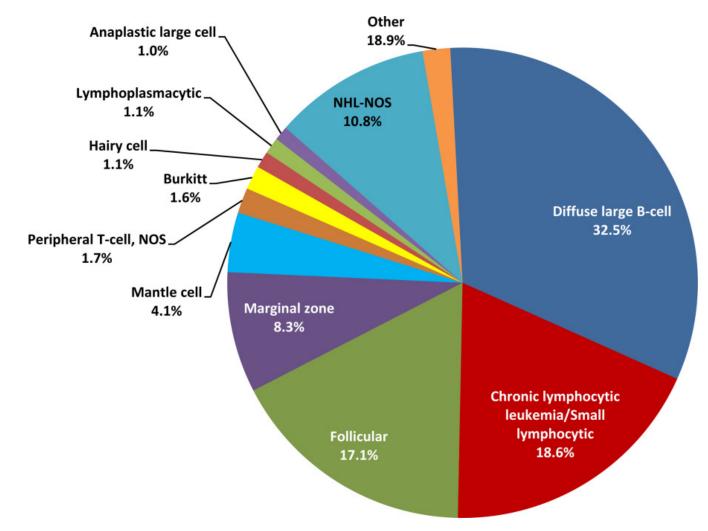
Chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma Monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis\* B-cell prolymphocytic leukemia Splenic marginal zone lymphoma Hairy cell leukemia Splenic B-cell lymphoma/leukemia, unclassifiable Splenic diffuse red pulp small B-cell lymphoma Hairy cell leukemia-variant Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma Waldenström macroglobulinemia Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), IgM\* μ heavy-chain disease v heavy-chain disease α heavy-chain disease Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), IgG/A\* Plasma cell myeloma Solitary plasmacytoma of bone Extraosseous plasmacytoma Monoclonal immunoglobulin deposition diseases\* Extranodal marginal zone lymphoma of mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue (MALT lymphoma) Nodal marginal zone lymphoma Pediatric nodal marginal zone lymphoma Follicular lymphoma In situ follicular neoplasia\* Duodenal-type follicular lymphoma\* Pediatric-type follicular lymphoma\* Large B-cell lymphoma with IRF4 rearrangement\* Primary cutaneous follicle center lymphoma Mantle cell lymphoma In situ mantle cell neoplasia\* Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL), NOS Germinal center B-cell type\* Activated B-cell type\* T-cell/histiocyte-rich large B-cell lymphoma Primary DLBCL of the central nervous system (CNS) Primary cutaneous DLBCL, leg type EBV<sup>+</sup> DLBCL, NOS\* EBV<sup>+</sup> mucocutaneous ulcer\* DLBCL associated with chronic inflammation Lymphomatoid granulomatosis Primary mediastinal (thymic) large B-cell lymphoma Intravascular large B-cell lymphoma ALK<sup>+</sup> large B-cell lymphoma Plasmablastic lymphoma Primary effusion lymphoma HHV8+ DLBCL, NOS\* Burkitt lymphoma Burkitt-like lymphoma with 11g aberration\* High-grade B-cell lymphoma, with MYC and BCL2 and/or BCL6 rearrangements' High-grade B-cell lymphoma, NOS\* B-cell lymphoma, unclassifiable, with features intermediate between DLBCL and classical Hodgkin lymphoma

2016 WHO classification includes >70 types of lymphoma Mature T and NK neoplasms T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukemia Chronic lymphoproliferative disorder of NK cells Aggressive NK-cell leukemia Systemic EBV<sup>+</sup> T-cell lymphoma of childhood\* Hydroa vacciniforme-like lymphoproliferative disorder\* Adult T-cell leukemia/lymphoma Extranodal NK-/T-cell lymphoma, nasal type Enteropathy-associated T-cell lymphoma Monomorphic epitheliotropic intestinal T-cell lymphoma\* Indolent T-cell lymphoproliferative disorder of the GI tract\* Hepatosplenic T-cell lymphoma Subcutaneous panniculitis-like T-cell lymphoma Mycosis fungoides Sézarv svndrome Primary cutaneous CD30<sup>+</sup> T-cell lymphoproliferative disorders Lymphomatoid papulosis Primary cutaneous anaplastic large cell lymphoma Primary cutaneous γδ T-cell lymphoma Primary cutaneous CD8<sup>+</sup> aggressive epidermotropic cytotoxic T-cell lymphoma Primary cutaneous acral CD8<sup>+</sup> T-cell lymphoma\* Primary cutaneous CD4<sup>+</sup> small/medium T-cell lymphoproliferative disorder\* Peripheral T-cell lymphoma, NOS Angioimmunoblastic T-cell lymphoma Follicular T-cell lymphoma\* Nodal peripheral T-cell lymphoma with TFH phenotype\* Anaplastic large-cell lymphoma, ALK<sup>+</sup> Anaplastic large-cell lymphoma, ALK<sup>-\*</sup> Breast implant-associated anaplastic large-cell lymphoma\*

#### Hodgkin lymphoma

Nodular lymphocyte predominant Hodgkin lymphoma Classical Hodgkin lymphoma Nodular sclerosis classical Hodgkin lymphoma Lymphocyte-rich classical Hodgkin lymphoma Mixed cellularity classical Hodgkin lymphoma Lymphocyte-depleted classical Hodgkin lymphoma

#### Non-Hodgkin lymphoma subtype distribution in the US: 1998 to 2011



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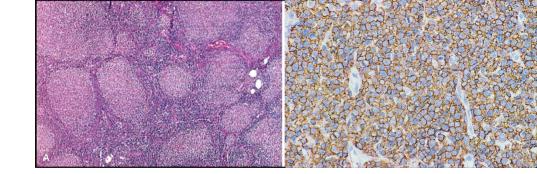
#### What do you need to know about your lymphoma?

- Is it a Non-Hodgkin or Hodgkin lymphoma?
- Is it a B-cell or T-cell lymphoma?
- Is it aggressive (fast growing) or indolent (slow growing)?

- It may be helpful to know: What is the stage? Do I need treatment? If yes:
  - What is the goal of treatment?
  - What are the treatment options?

If no: What symptoms do I need to watch for?

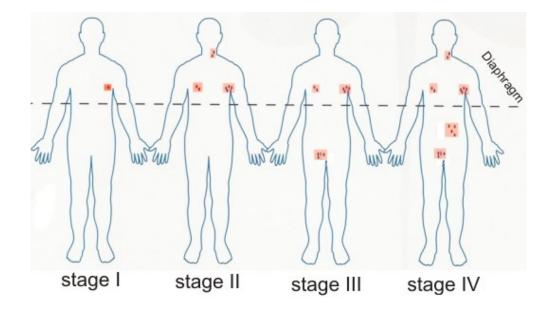
#### Lymphoma diagnostic work up



- **Biopsy:** Surgical excision, Core needle biopsy
- Pathology: Immunohistochemistry (stains), flow cytometry, gene rearrangements, FISH, PCR
- Labs: CBC, electrolytes, kidney and liver function, lactate dehydrogenase (LDH)
- Procedures: Bone marrow biopsy, lumbar puncture (in specific cases)
- Imaging: PET scans or CT scans or MRI (brain)



#### Staging of lymphoma: different from other cancers



Ann Arbor staging further classifies patients with lymphoma into A or B categories

A = without symptoms B = with symptoms including unexplained weight loss (10% in 6 months prior to diagnosis, unexplained fever, and drenching night sweats.)

Stage I - disease in single lymph node or lymph node region.

Stage II - disease in two or more lymph node regions on same side of diaphragm.

Note: Stage II contiguous means two or more lymph nodes in close proximity (side by side).

Stage III - disease in lymph node regions on both sides of the diaphragm are affected.

Stage IV - disease is wide spread, including multiple involvement at one or more extranodal (beyond the lymph node) sites, such as the bone marrow.

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- Can you predict disease course or treatment outcome?
  - Using above factors, discuss risk vs benefit from treatment
  - May use tools called prognostic calculators (IPI, FLIPI, IPS, CLL-IPI and many others) to categorize your disease as high, intermediate or low risk

#### Lymphoma: Treatment options

- Surgery: Used primarily for diagnosis
- Radiation: For "local" control
- <u>Systemic therapy is the mainstay</u>: single agent or combination of immuno-chemotherapy or targeted agents
  - Most commonly used chemo: RCHOP for DLBCL; BR for FL/indolent; ABVD for HL
- Observation or "watchful waiting" may be appropriate in indolent lymphomas

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Response to treatment, can be complete (CR) or partial (PR)

Relapse Disease comes back after achieving remission

Remission

Refractory Disease did not respond adequately to treatment

## Potential side-effects of treatment

#### Short-term:

- Low blood counts- transfusions
- Infection risk due to low neutrophilsgrowth factors, antibiotics
- Hair loss
- Nausea- antiemetics
- Neuropathy- tingling or numbress of fingers or toes
- Fatigue

#### Long-term:

- Fertility issues
- Risk of heart and lung disease (specific drugs)
- Risk of secondary cancers

#### What to expect during and after treatment?

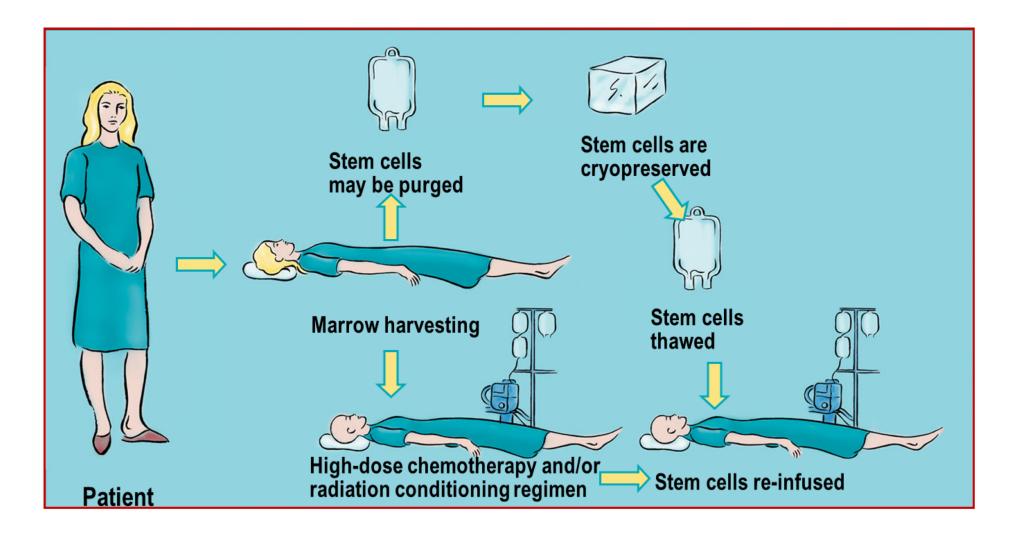
- Regular visits to see your treatment team to assess and treat side-effects
- PET or CT scans to assess response 6-8 weeks after the end of treatment

- If you're in complete remission:
  - Visit/labs every 3 months x 2 years then less frequent to assess for signs of disease and long term side effects
  - Scans are usually NOT done for surveillance in aggressive lymphomas
  - Maintenance therapy could be recommended for some lymphoma types

#### **Relapsed/Refractory lymphoma: What are the options?**

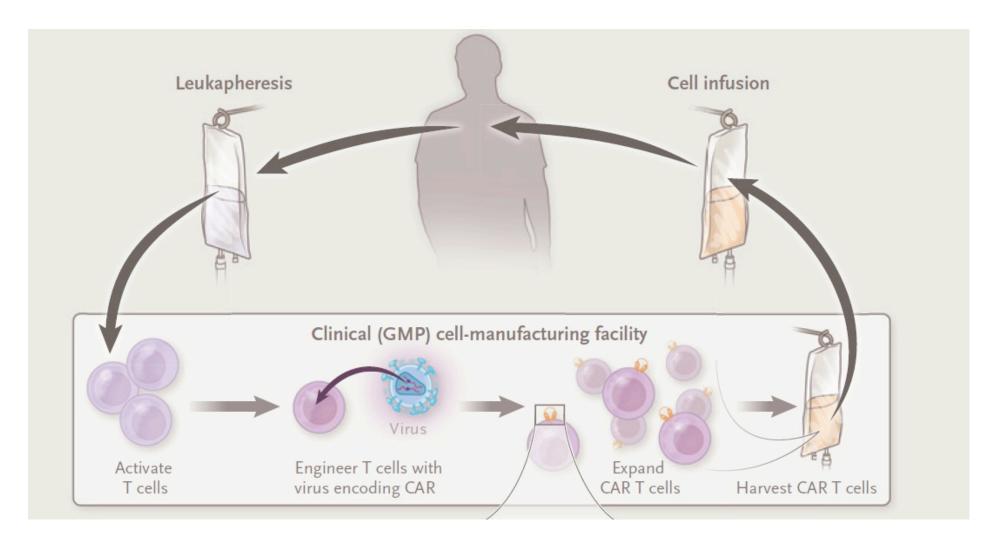
- Next line of therapy: different chemo, targeted agent
- Clinical trial
- Autologous stem cell transplant using patient's own stem cells
- Chimeric-antigen T-cell therapy (CAR-T) for DLBCL, PMBCL, mantle cell
- Allogeneic stem cell transplant using another person's (*donor*) stem cells (less common for lymphomas)

#### Autologous Stem Cell Transplant: Procedure Overview





#### **Chimeric Antigen Receptor T cells (CAR-T)**



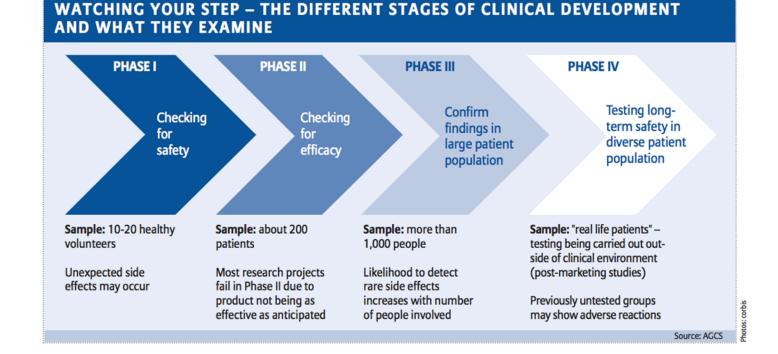
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#### Are clinical trials an option? Always ask your doctor!

A clinical trial is carefully controlled research study conducted by doctors to

- Improve treatment options
- Increase survival
- Improve quality of life

Designed to give patients the safest, potentially most effective therapies



#### New treatment options FDA approved after clinical trials!

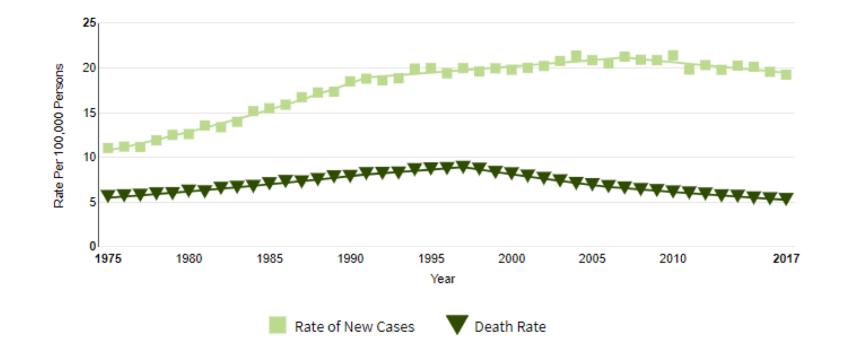
CLL/SLL	Ibrutinib, Acalabrutinib, Venetoclax, Obinutuzumab, Duvelisib	
DLBCL	CAR-T, Polatuzumab vedotin, Tafasitamab+lenalidomide, selinexor	
Hodgkin	Brentuximab vedotin, Nivolumab, Pembrolizumab	
Follicular	Tazemetostat, lenalidomide, duvelisib	
Mantle cell	CAR-T, Zanubrutinib, Acalabrutinib, Ibrutinib	
Marginal zone	Lenalidomide	
T-cell lymphoma	Brentuximab vedotin, Mogamulizumab	

#### **Clinical trials available at UWCCC Madison WI**

For more information call UW Carbone Cancer Connect at (608) 262-5223 or (800) 622-8922

	First line treatment	Relapsed/refractory disease
CLL	<ul> <li>Ibrutinib plus Obinutuzumab versus Ibrutinib plus Venetoclax and Obinutuzmab in</li> <li>Untreated Older Patients (≥70) with CLL [A041702]</li> <li>Untreated Younger patients with CLL [EA9161]</li> </ul>	Many Phase 1 studies with novel agents
DLBCL	<b>Enzastaurin</b> Plus R-CHOP Versus R-CHOP in High-Risk Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma	<ul> <li>Tisagenlecleucel (CART) versus standard of care in adult patients with relapsed or refractory aggressive B-cell non-Hodgkin lymphoma [BELINDA]</li> <li>Ibrutinib during and following Autologous Stem Cell Transplantation versus Placebo in Patients with Relapsed or Refractory DLBCL of the ABC subtype</li> <li>Many Phase 1 studies with novel agents</li> </ul>
Follicular lymphoma	<b>Venetoclax</b> in Combination with Obinutuzumab and Bendamustine in Patient with High Tumor Burden FL [PrE0403]	Randomized Phase II Trial in Early Relapsing or Refractory Follicular Lymphoma [S1826] Many Phase 1 studies with novel agents
Mantle cell lymphoma	<ul> <li>Bendamustine, Rituximab and High Dose Cytarabine (BR/CR) vs BR/CR-Acalabrutinib vs BR-Acalabrutinib in Patients ≤ 70 yrs [EA4181]</li> <li>Consolidation with ASCT Followed by Maintenance Cell Rituximab vs. Maintenance Rituximab Alone for Patients in MRD negative CR1 [EA4151]</li> <li>Bendamustine + Obinutuzumab Induction Chemoimmunotherapy with Risk-Adapted Obinutuzumab Maintenance Therapy</li> </ul>	A Phase I/II Study of <b>Ixazomib</b> and <b>Ibrutinib</b> in Relapsed/Refractory Mantle Cell Lymphoma Many Phase 1 studies with novel agents
Hodgkin lymphoma	<ul> <li>Nivolumab Plus AVD or Brentuximab Vedotin Plus AVD in Patients (Age &gt;/= 12 Years) with Advanced Stage Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma [S1826]</li> <li>Brentuximab Vedotin in Front-line Therapy of HL and CD30-expressing Peripheral T-cell Lymphoma (PTCL) in Adults Age 60 and Above</li> </ul>	Phase I Study of <b>Nivolumab</b> in Combination with <b>Ruxolitinib</b> in Relapsed or Refractory Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma
T-cell lymphoma	Brentuximab Vedotin in Front-line Therapy of HL and CD30-expressing Peripheral T-cell Lymphoma (PTCL) in Adults Age 60 and Above	Phase 1 studies with novel agents

#### Lymphoma patients are living longer! ③



New cases come from SEER 9. Deaths come from U.S. Mortality. All Races, Both Sexes. Rates are Age-Adjusted.

#### Survivorship: Living with and beyond lymphoma

- Be aware that lymphoma and it's treatments can cause long term complications
- What can *I* do to prevent my lymphoma from coming back/progressing?
  - There are some things you cannot control like disease biology
  - There are some things you can!
    - Eat healthy balanced diet, try to maintain a healthy weight (BMI)
    - Stop smoking
    - Minimize alcohol use
    - Exercise! <u>www.exerciseismedicine.org/movethruca</u>

Moderate-intensity aerobic activity at least 3 times per week, for at least 30 min + Resistance training at least 2 times per week, using at least 2 sets of 8 - 15 repetitions

# Lymphoma and COVID19

- Am I at a higher risk of getting sick?
  - Limited data suggest that cancer patients MAY be at higher risk but no specific data in lymphoma.
- What can I do to prevent illness?
  - Practice social distancing, hand washing, wear a mask in public spaces
- Should I start/continue my lymphoma treatment?
  - Please DO NOT make changes to your treatment without discussing with your treating physician
  - Discuss your specific concerns with your lymphoma provider- each circumstance may be different
  - DO NOT delay emergency care or if you are directed to a ED or clinic
- How is care different in the COVID era?
  - Telemedicine
  - Most lymphoma care is necessary and ongoing

# Thank you!

# Questions/Comments



