Breast cancer subtype specific association of pCR with MRI assessed tumor volume progression during NAC in the I-SPY 2 TRIAL

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Background

It is important to be able to identify patients who are progressing in an adaptive randomized trial as I-SPY 2 so their treatment can be changed to a different therapeutic regimen.

MRI is an accurate and non-invasive imaging method to monitor treatment response.

Molecularly high risk breast cancer can be very heterogeneous.

Purpose: To study retrospectively the accuracy of identifying patients not achieving pCR using MRI assessed tumor volume at 3 different treatment time points by breast cancer subtype.

I-SPY 2 TRIAL

I-SPY 2: A multicenter, phase 2 trial using response-adaptive randomization within biomarker subtypes to evaluate novel agents as neoadjuvant therapy for high-risk breast cancer

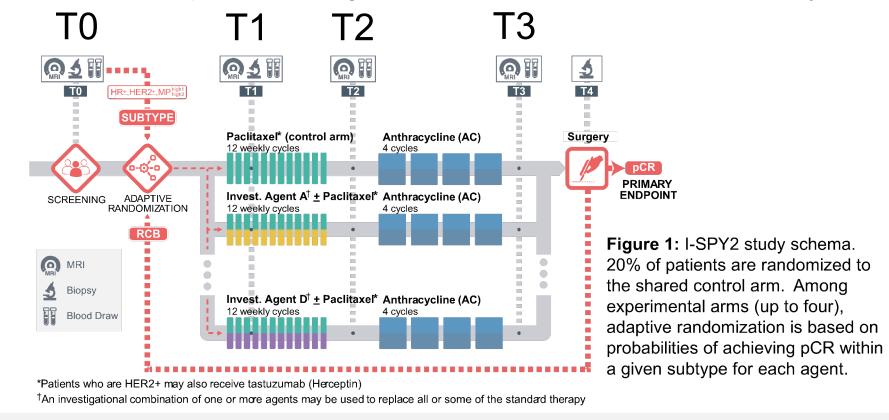
Inclusion criteria: Tumor Size ≥ 2.5cm; hormone-receptor (HR)+HER2-MammaPrint (MP) high risk, HR-HER2- or HER2+

Primary Endpoint: Pathologic complete response (pCR)

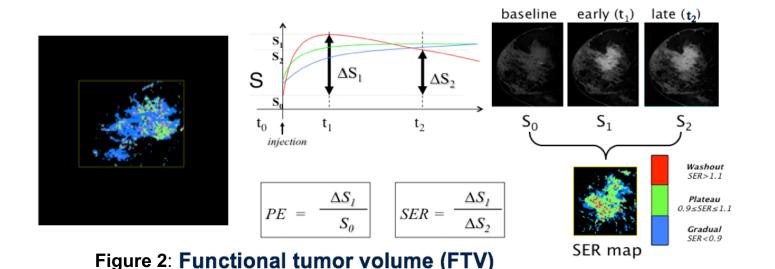
Goal: To identify (graduate) regimens that have ≥ 85% predictive probability of success in a 300-patient phase 3 neoadjuvant trial defined by HR and HER2 status, and MP

Regimens may leave the trial for one of four reasons: Futility (< 10% probability of success); Maximum sample size accrual (with probability of success ≥ 10% and < 85%); Graduation (≥ 85% predictive probability of success); or as recommended by the independent DSMB

To date: 11 experimental regimens have been evaluated for efficacy



Methods



Patients with any amount of FTV increase at early treatment (after 3 weeks, T1), inter-regimen (T2), and pre-surgery (T3) and visual confirmation to eliminate the possibilities of false progressions due to strong BPE, enhanced vessels, motion, or insufficient image quality.

MRI assessed progression = FTV increase + visual confirmation

MRI assessed progression

- ❖ 990 I-SPY 2 patients with pCR outcomes (pCR rate: 33%) were included in this study
- ❖ 169/990 (17%) patients with FTV increase from baseline
- ❖ 149/990 (15%) patients with FTV increase + visual confirmation (MRI

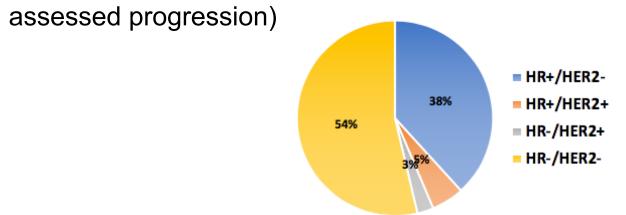


Figure 3: Distribution of progressions by subtype

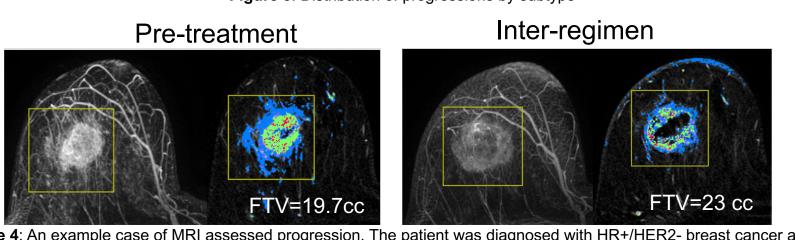
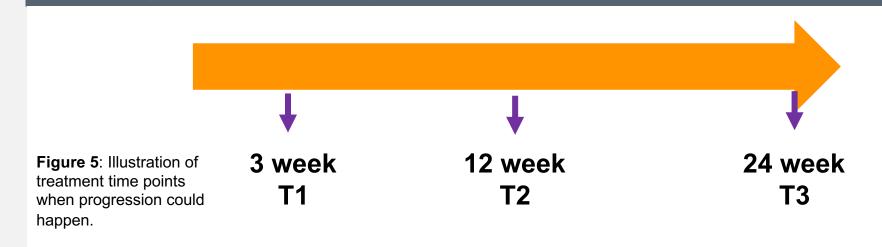


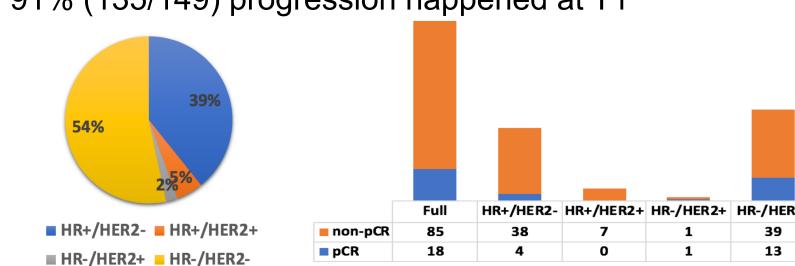
Figure 4: An example case of MRI assessed progression. The patient was diagnosed with HR+/HER2- breast cancer at age 45. Her MRIs at T0 (pre-treatment) and T2 (inter-regimen) were shown here, 2 images for each time point. The image on the left is the subtracted MIP and the image on the right is the SER map overlapping on a subtracted axial slide. FTV increase and visual assessment on the MR images both confirmed that this is a progression at inter-regimen. The patient did not achieve pCR after the treatment.

Progression by treatment time point

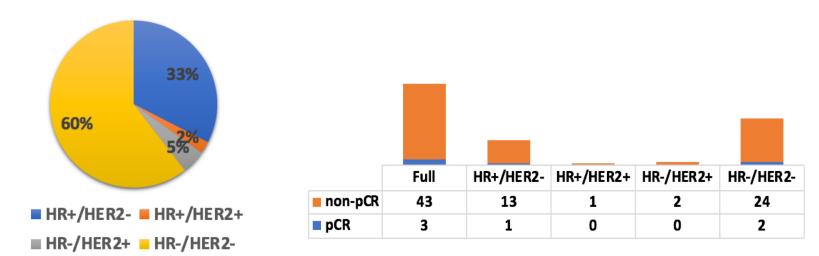


Progression at T1 – is 3 week too early?

91% (135/149) progression happened at T1



Progression at T2



Progression at T3



- T1 may be too early for identifying non-pCRs in triple negative disease
- T1 may not be too early for identifying non-pCRs in HR+/HER2+ disease

Summary table

Table 1. MRI assessed progression and number of patients by subtype

	Analysis cohort		MRI assessed progression					
			T1		T2		T3	
	N	Non-pCRs (rate)	N	Non-pCR (%)	N	Non-pCR (%)	N	Non-pCR (%)
Full cohort	990	666 (67%)	135	115 (85)	43	40 (93)	5	5 (100)
HR+/HER2-	380	316 (83%)	53	48 (91)	14	13 (93)	2	2 (100)
HR+/HER2+	156	98 (63%)	7	7 (100)	1	1 (100)	0	NA
HR-/HER2+	89	33 (37%)	3	2 (67)	2	2 (100)	0	NA
HR-/HER2-	363	217 (60%)	72	58 (81)	26	24 (92)	3	3 (100)

- Overall, very few MRI assessed progression found in the analysis cohort
- ❖ 100% of MRI assessed progression in HR+/HER2+ were non-pCRs
- over 90% of MRI assessed progression at T2 were non-pCRs

CONCLUSIONS

- Overall, there are very few MRI assessed progression
- MRI assessed disease progression may identify nonresponders as early as at T1
- Most progressions are HER2- (HR+/-)
- T1 may be too early for triple negative disease
- MRI assessed progression identifies non-responders more accurately at later time points

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