



EXPLORING THE mHSPC PATIENT JOURNEY



MEET JOHN

SOCIAL HISTORY

- Retired engineer/fitter
- Ex-smoker, minimal alcohol

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY

- Diet-controlled type 2 diabetes
- Degenerative back pain
- Bronchiectasis

DRUG HISTORY

- Atorvastatin
- Morphine sulphate tablet
- Baclofen
- Fluoxetine

FAMILY HISTORY

- None



JANUARY 2020

- 60-years-old
- Referred by GP as 2WW with visible haematuria
- **PSA:** 68 µg/L
- **DRE:** hard right lobe
- **Gleason:** 3 + 4 = 7 on right and 3 + 5 = 8 on left
- **MRI:** T3b, 10mm right external iliac node
- **CT and bone scan:** -ve distant metastases
- **Staging:** T3bN1M0
- **Treatment:**
 - RT 60Gy in 20
 - 3 years of LHRHa

SEPTEMBER 2023

- **PSA:** 0.872 µg/L
- [prior PSA values:
0.016 µg/L May 2023
0.012 µg/L Jan 2023
<0.007 µg/L Nov 2022]



FEBRUARY 2024

- Attended A&E with acute left sided loin to groin pain + blood on urinalysis
- **CT abdomen and pelvis:** para-aortic lymph nodes ≤15mm, enlarged pelvic lymph nodes, right common iliac nodes ≤ 3cm, 1 x liver lesion
- **Bone scan:** widespread bone disease
- **PSA:** 12 µg/L
- **Concomitant conditions:** type 2 diabetes, non-alcoholic fatty liver, obesity, depression
- **Concomitant medication:** nortriptyline, pregabalin, MST, metformin, dapagliflozin, tamsulosin, atorvastatin, baclofen, fluoxetine
- Started on Decapeptyl® with bicalutamide
- **High volume metachronous mHSPC**
- Pain poorly managed

This is a fictitious case study

RCT evidence supports triplet therapy as a treatment option for mHSPC

TREATMENT PARADIGM	OVERALL SURVIVAL (HR [95% CI], P VALUE)	INCIDENCE OF GRADE 3-4 AEs (%)
Triplet therapy		
NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT vs docetaxel + ADT ¹	0.68 (0.57–0.80), p<0.001	66% (NUBEQA) vs 64% (placebo)
Triplet therapy – ARASENS subgroup analysis² NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT vs docetaxel + ADT		
High risk disease [†]	0.71 (0.58–0.86)	65% (NUBEQA) vs 64% (placebo)
High volume disease*	0.69 (0.57–0.82)	65% (NUBEQA) vs 64% (placebo)
Low risk disease [†]	0.62 (0.42–0.90)	63% (NUBEQA) vs 62% (placebo)
Low volume disease*	0.68 (0.41–1.13)	70% (NUBEQA) vs 61% (placebo)

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*Disease volume defined by CHAARTED criteria; presence of visceral metastases or ≥4 bone metastases with ≥1 beyond vertebral bodies and pelvis
[†]Disease risk defined by LATITUDE criteria (2 of the following three factors): Gleason score of ≥8, the presence of ≥3 bone lesions, or the presence of measurable visceral metastases

EXPLORING THE mHSPC PATIENT JOURNEY

NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT extends survival and maintains QoL in mHSPC vs placebo + docetaxel + ADT¹⁻³



<1% increase in AE incidence
when NUBEQA is added to
ADT and docetaxel^{1,2}



RWE showed stable or improved
QoL in 88% patients who received
NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT³

NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT is recommended for patients with mHSPC who need treatment intensification⁴

UK consensus publication on the clinical utility
of triplet therapy in patients with mHSPC⁵

Triplet therapy improves OS compared to ADT + docetaxel
and **should be considered in all patients**, and **is recommended** (following
assessment) in patients meeting ≥1 following criteria:

- ✓ Life expectancy severely limited by their cancer
- ✓ High risk or high volume disease
- ✓ Visceral disease
- ✓ Low volume disease with extra-pelvic lymph node involvement
- ✓ No/few comorbidities

EAU 2025 guidelines for the
first-line treatment of mHSPC⁴

Offer **docetaxel only in combination
with ADT plus abiraterone* or
NUBEQA** to patients with **M1 disease
and who are fit for docetaxel** (strong
recommendation)

* Note that docetaxel + abiraterone + ADT
is not licensed in the UK

NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT demonstrated improved outcomes regardless of baseline PSA⁶

In ARASENS, the median baseline PSA was 30.3 ng/mL in the triplet arm and 24.2 ng/mL in the control arm.¹

Regardless of baseline PSA levels, treatment with NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT was associated with deep and durable PSA responses, including **higher rates of undetectable PSA** (<0.2 ng/mL) over time, **longer time to PSA progression**, and **longer time to CRPC progression** compared to placebo + docetaxel + ADT.⁶

OS and rates of AEs with NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT are similar across the age spectrum in patients with mHSPC⁷

Post-hoc subgroup
analysis of
ARASENS trial data⁷



NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT vs
placebo + docetaxel + ADT

AGE SUBGROUP	N	OVERALL SURVIVAL (HR [95% CI])	INCIDENCE OF GRADE 3-4 AEs (%)
< 75 years	1086	0.70 [0.58–0.84]	65% (NUBEQA) vs 62% (placebo)
≥ 75 years	219	0.61 [0.41–0.91]	74% (NUBEQA) vs 70% (placebo)

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John received **NUBEQA + docetaxel + ADT** and benefitted from lower PSA, resolution of enlarged nodes/lesions and tolerated treatment well



It is recommended to monitor patients for adverse reactions when NUBEQA is taken
concomitantly with atorvastatin

April 2024

- Received **docetaxel 75 mg/m²** +
NUBEQA PSA at baseline 16 µg/L

August 2024 (end of docetaxel)

- CT scan: enlarged nodes/liver lesions resolved,
widespread sclerotic bone disease

December 2024

- PSA nadir 0.12 µg/L

January 2025

- CT scan: marginal deterioration of soft tissue
component of sternal lesion

February 2025 (ongoing NUBEQA)

- PSA 0.38 µg/L

Abbreviations. 2WW, two week wait (urgent suspected cancer referral); ADT, androgen deprivation therapy; AE, adverse event; A&E, accident and emergency; CRPC, castration resistant prostate cancer; CI, confidence interval; CT, computed tomography; DRE, digital rectal examination; EAU, European Association of Urology; GP, general practitioner; HR, hazard ratio; LHRHa, luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone analogue; mHSPC, metastatic hormone sensitive prostate cancer; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; MST, morphine sulphate tablet; OS, overall survival; PSA, prostate specific antigen; QoL, quality of life; QR, quick response; RT, radiotherapy; UK, United Kingdom.

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