## Creating Value in Cancer Care Through Research

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### **Cost of Cancer Care is Rising**



Cancer Prevalence and Cost of Care Projections: http://costprojections.cancer.gov/ Cost estimates expressed in 2010 dollars using CMS cost adjusters and adjusted for out- ofpocket expenditures, including co-payments and deductibles.

Estimates for the population younger than 65 were developed using ratios of cost in the you than 65 and older 65 populations from studies conducted in managed care populations.

#### $\rightarrow$ \$125 billion in **2010**

#### $\rightarrow$ \$175 billion in **2020**



### **Drivers of Costs Associated with Cancer Care**

- Excessive expenditures on treatment near end of life
- New, costly technologies are rapidly emerging-not all fully evidence-based
- Rising cost of specialty drugs
- Complex cancer care not well coordinated
- Payment system is not aligned with the goals of the healthcare system
- No pricing constraints in U.S.



### **Cost of Recently Introduced Targeted Therapies for Cancer**

Table 1. Cost of Targeted Therapy				
Agent	Target	FDA-Approved Indication	Monthly or Per-Cycle Cost	
Imatinib	BCR-ABL	CML	\$6,982	
Dasatinib	BCR-ABL	CML	\$9,817	
Nilotinib	BCR-ABL	CML	\$9,163	
Bosutinib	BCR-ABL	CML	\$9,817	
Sorafenib	VEGF, multikinase	RCC, HCC	\$10,555	
Sunitinib	VEGF, multikinase	RCC, GIST	\$11,957	
Everolimus	mTOR	RCC, breast	\$8,984	
Temsirolimus	mTOR	RCC	\$6,355	
Pazopanib	VEGF, multikinase	RCC	\$7,778	
Bevacizumab	VEGF	RCC, colon, lung	\$11,684	
Erlotinib	EGFR	Pancreatic, NSCLC	\$5,756	
Cetuximab	EGFR	Colon, head/neck	\$24,092	
Lapatinib	HER2	Breast	\$5,120	
Trastuzumab	HER2	Breast	\$5,295	
Brentuximab	CD30	Hodgkin lymphoma	\$16,768*	
Crizotinib	ALK1	NSCLC	\$11,946	
Ipilimumab	CTLA-4	Melanoma	\$36,540†	
Vemurafenib	BRAF	Melanoma	\$12,282	
Ruxolitinib	JAK2	Myelofibrosis	\$8,400	
Lenalidomide	IMID	Myeloma	\$10,103	



Kantarjian, H, et. al., JCO 31: 3600, 2013.

# Spending (in Billions) on Traditional drugs, Older and Newer Biologics, 2011 to 2016



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### Is Cost Related to Efficacy?



"Our results suggest that current pricing models are not rational but simply reflect what the market will bear."

Mailankody S, Prasad V: JAMA Oncol. Published online April 02, 2015 **ASCO**°

### Is Cost Related to Innovation?

51 drugs approved for 63 indications in 2009-2013

21 (41%) novel mechanisms of action30 (59%) next in class

Median price per year: Novel mechanism: \$116,100 Next in class: \$119,765

(p=.42)

Mailankody, Prasad: JAMA Oncol. Published online April 02, 2015. doi:10.1001/jamaoncol.2015.0373



### Do prices reflect development costs? Does competition bring down those prices?

Since entering the market, U.S. price has steadily risen and nearly tripled....

..... despite entry of new drugs and an expanding market with new indications



**Gleevec Tablet** 

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#### What Can Oncologists Do to Improve the Value of Cancer Care?

- Use healthcare resources wisely
- Follow evidence-based guidelines/clinical pathways
- Optimize dosing/scheduling of cancer treatments
- Define clinically meaningful endpoints in cancer clinical trials
- Deliver the right treatment to the right person at the right time

### Choosing Wisely: ASCO's 2012 Top Five List for Oncology Question these things before doing them:

- 1. Use of chemotherapy for patients with advanced cancers who are unlikely to benefit, and who would gain more from a focus on palliative care and symptom management.
- 2. For early breast cancer, use of advanced imaging technologies (i.e., CT, PET and radionuclide bone scans) in cancer staging.
- 3. For early prostate cancer, use of advanced imaging technologies (i.e., CT, PET and radionuclide bone scans) in cancer staging.
- 4. Routine use of advanced imaging and blood biomarker tests for women treated with curative therapy for breast cancer and who have no symptoms of recurrence.
- 5. Use of white cell stimulating factors for patients who are at low risk for febrile AS neutropenia.

### IDEA: Disease-free Survival with 3 Months versus 6 Months of Adjuvant Therapy for Stage III Colon Cancer



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### PERSEPHONE: 6 vs. 12 months Adjuvant Trastuzumab in HER2+ Breast Cancer



Presented By Helena Earl at 2018 ASCO Annual Meeting

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#### Estimated Cost Savings \$12,000/individual



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#### Low Dose Abiraterone (250 mg) with Food vs. Standard Dose (1000 mg) Fasting



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#### PSA Progression on 250 mg Abiraterone with Food or 1,000 mg Fasting



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# Estimated savings of \$100-300,000/patient depending on duration of treatment

0	12	24	36
	Time (m	ionths)	

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American Society of Clinical Oncology Perspective: Raising the Bar for Clinical Trials by Defining Clinically Meaningful Outcomes

Lee M. Ellis, David S. Bernstein, Emile E. Voest, Jordan D. Berlin, Daniel Sargent, Patricia Cortazar, Elizabeth Garrett-Mayer, Roy S. Herbst, Rogerio C. Lilenbaum, Camelia Sima, Alan P. Venook, Mithat Gonen, Richard L. Schilsky, Neal J. Meropol, and Lowell E. Schnipper

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- OS should be the primary endpoint to assess clinically meaningful outcomes
- An HR of 0.8, corresponding to an improvement in median OS of 2.5 to 6 months for the scenarios chosen, is the minimum incremental improvement over standard therapy to define a clinically meaningful improvement
- Incremental gains should be accompanied by little to no increase in toxicity
- New regimens that are substantially more toxic than current standards should also produce the greatest increments in OS



### NCI Breast Cancer SG Recommendations on Meaningful Endpoints for Metastatic Breast Cancer Clinical Trials



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### **Precision Medicine Impacts All Aspects of Cancer Care**



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## **Creating Value with Precision Medicine**

- Limit cancer screening to high risk individuals
- Omit care in those unlikely to benefit (OncotypeDx, Mammaprint in breast cancer)
- Identify patient populations most (least) likely to benefit (EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, KRAS testing in NSCLC; BRAF testing in melanoma; HER2 testing in breast cancer; RAS, MSI testing in mCRC)
- Reduce risk and complications of tissue biopsy (plasma genotyping of ctDNA)
- Stop ineffective treatment early (PET, CTCs)
- Guide dosing and reduce toxicity (pharmacogenetics)



### **TAILORx Trial Design**



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#### TAILORx: Clinical Outcomes among Patients with a Recurrence Score of 11 to 25



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### Estimated Savings of \$280-560 Million/Year



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Sparano JA et al. N Engl J Med 2018;379:111-121

#### **RAS Mutation Testing to Direct Anti-EGFR MAb Therapy**



Extended *RAS* Gene Mutation Testing in Metastatic Colorectal Carcinoma to Predict Response to Anti–Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor Monoclonal Antibody Therapy: American Society of Clinical Oncology Provisional Clinical Opinion Update 2015 *Carmen J. Allegra, R. Bryan Rumble, Stanley R. Hamilton, Pamela B. Mangu, Nancy Roach, Alexander Hantel, and Richard L. Schilsky* 



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#### Extended RAS Gene Mutation Testing in Metastatic

#### Estimated Savings \$700 Million Annually in Drug Costs

Monoclonal Antibody Therapy: American Society of Clinical Oncology Provisional Clinical Opinion Update 2015

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### **Targeted Therapy Superior to Chemotherapy**



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#### **Drugs More Expensive but Benefit Greater and Toxicity Less**



standard chemotherapy in patients with previously treated, advanced nonsmall-cell lung cancer with ALK rearrangement."

#### Gefitinib



who were selected on the basis of EGFR mutations improved progression-free survival, with acceptable toxicity, as compared with standard chemotherapy."

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### Clinical Applications of CTC and ctDNA Analyses in Cancer Care



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#### Early Detection of Recurrence/Progression May Allow Switch to More Effective/Less Expensive Treatment



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## **Bending the Cost Curve**

- Patient-centered discussion of options
- Improved efficiency in care delivery
- Better care coordination
- Physician payment reform
- Price negotiation by payers/health systems
- Value-based reimbursement
- Indication-specific pricing
- Earlier introduction of generics and biosimilars



### Summary

- Cancer drug costs are the most rapidly rising component of cancer care
- Controlling the costs of cancer care will require concerted efforts by patients, doctors, manufacturers, payers, governments
- We need innovation that creates value for patients and health systems
- Oncologists have a key role to play by:
- practicing evidence-based medicine
- using resources wisely
- adopting precision medicine approaches
- supporting research that delivers meaningful clinical outcomes

