

Best-practice sharing: Practical approaches to patient care – Part 1

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Patient case study: Hyperglycemia



- Male
- **Age:** 70 years
- **ECOG PS:** 0
- **GFR:** 50 mL/min



Lifestyle: Active smoker, on diet treatment for type 2 diabetes mellitus



Comorbidities:

- Hypertension
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Any other relevant medical history:

- No known drug allergies

Concomitant medications:

- Captopril for hypertension

Diagnosis [1/2]



June 2021



Initial presentation

Hematuria

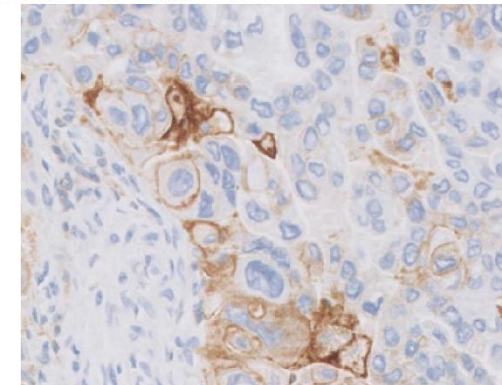
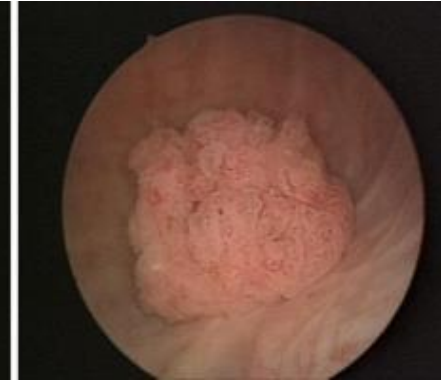
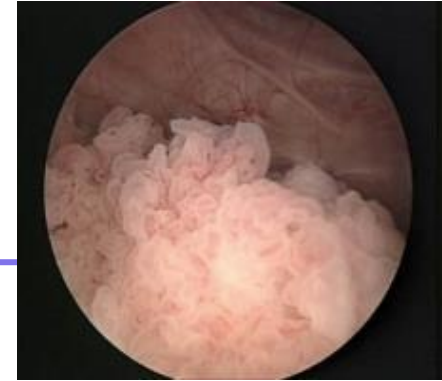
- Ultrasound: Bladder mass
- TURBT: Urothelial carcinoma pT2



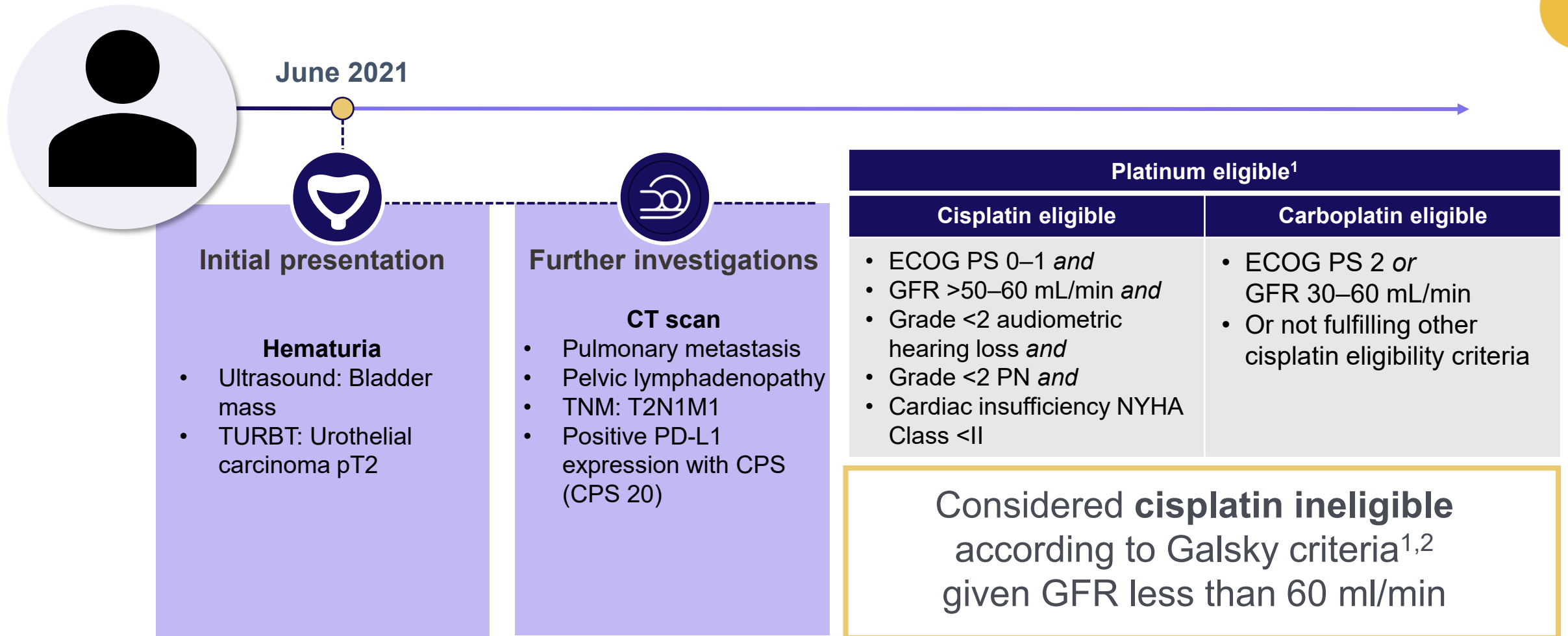
Further investigations

CT scan

- Pulmonary metastasis
- Pelvic lymphadenopathy
- TNM: T2N1M1
- Positive PD-L1 expression with CPS (CPS 20)



Diagnosis [2/2]

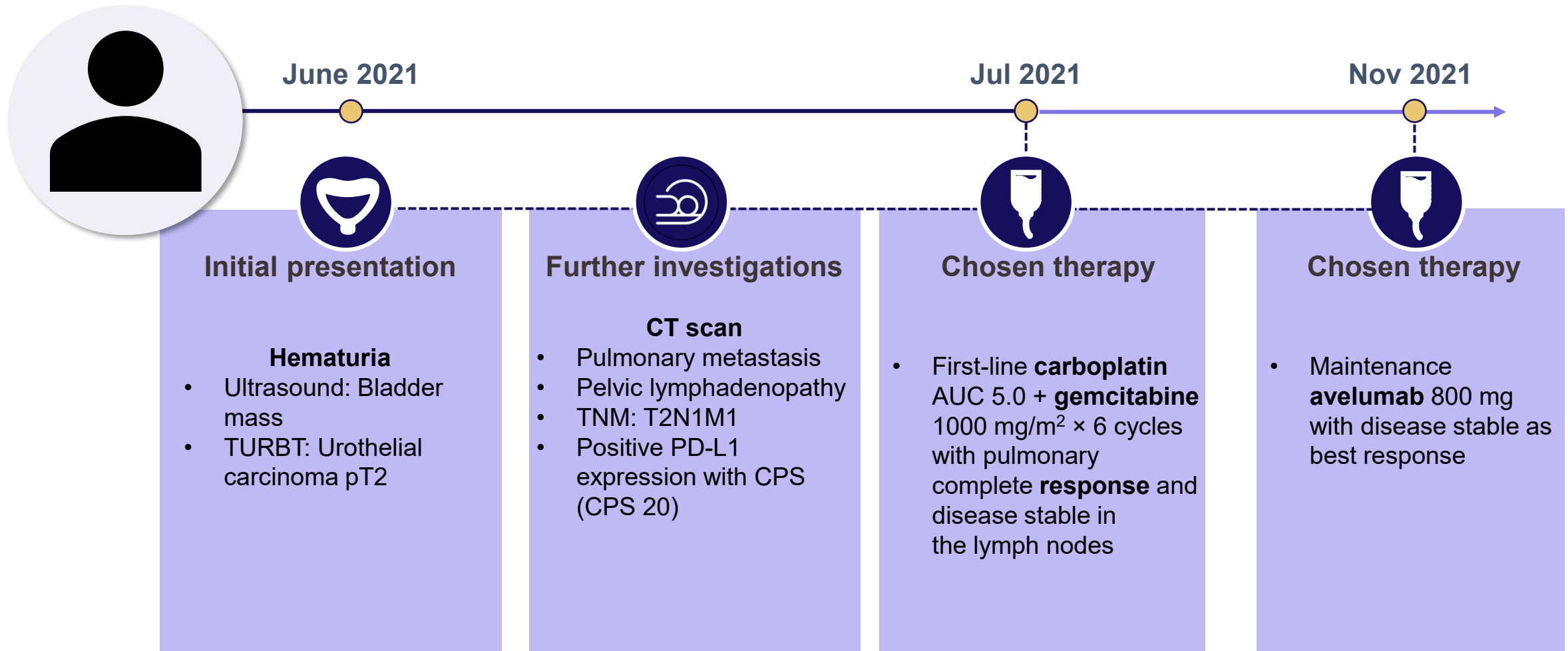


CPS, combined positive score; CT, computed tomography; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; GFR, glomerular filtration rate; NYHA, New York Heart Association; p, pathological stage; PD-L1, programmed cell death ligand 1; PN, peripheral neuropathy; TNM, tumor, node, metastasis; TURBT, transurethral resection of the bladder.

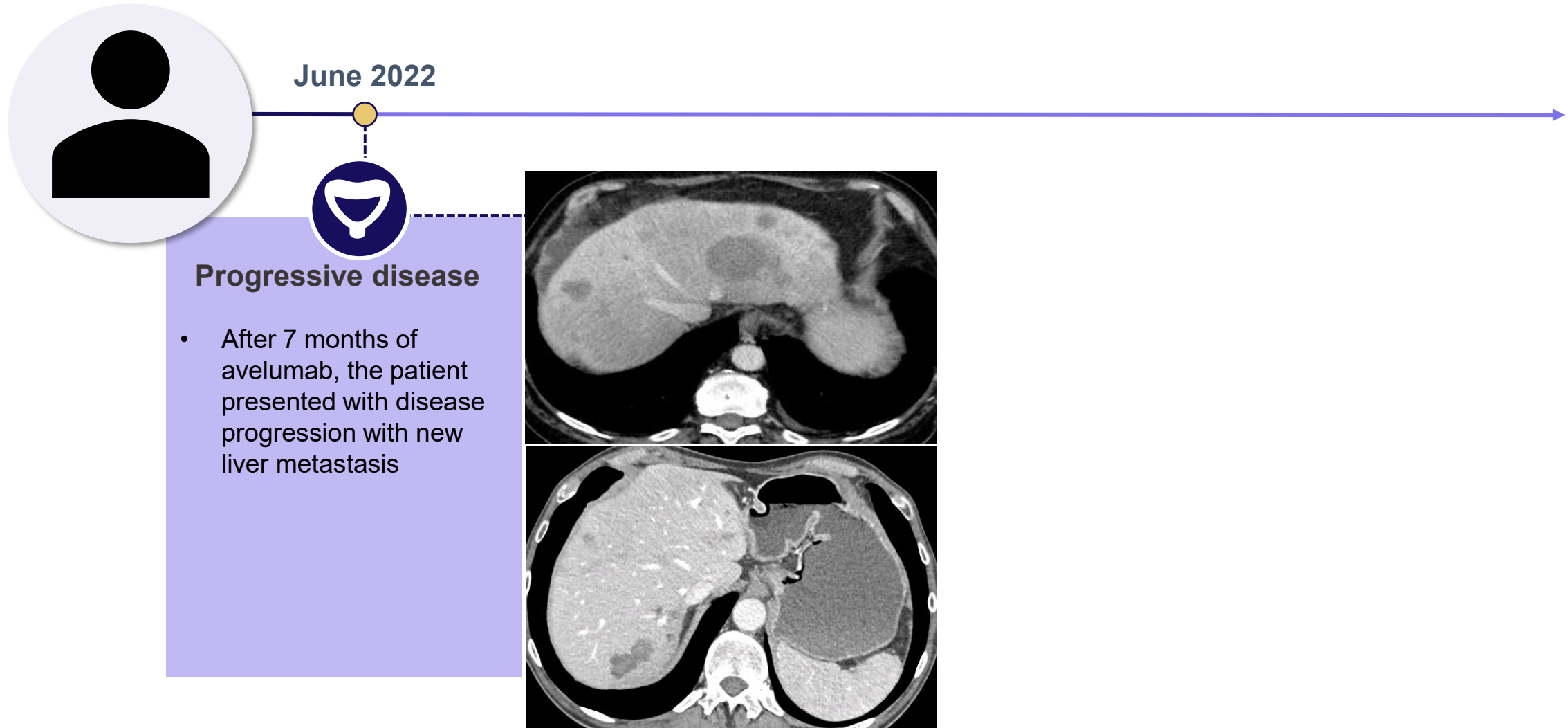
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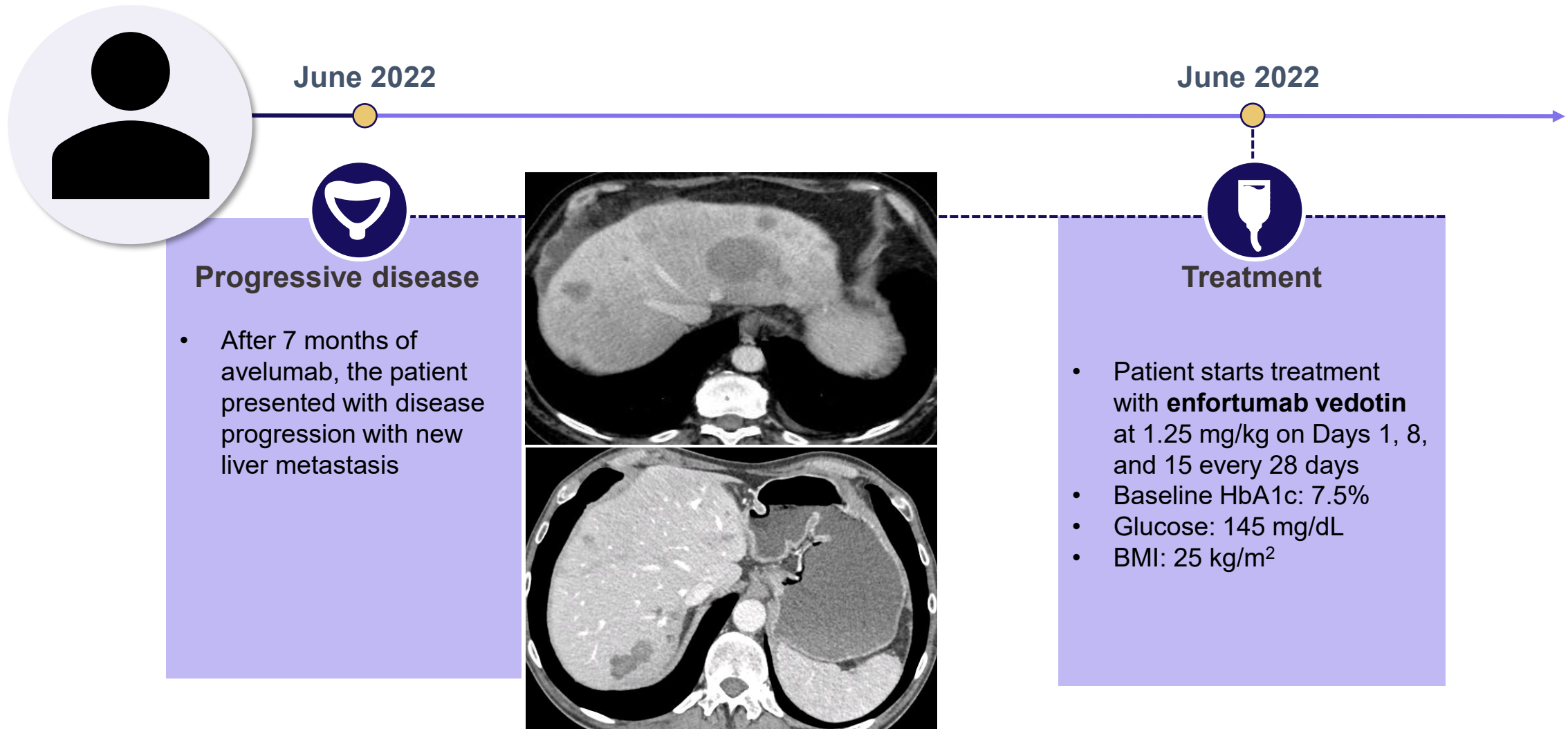
Treatment initiation, dosage, and schedule



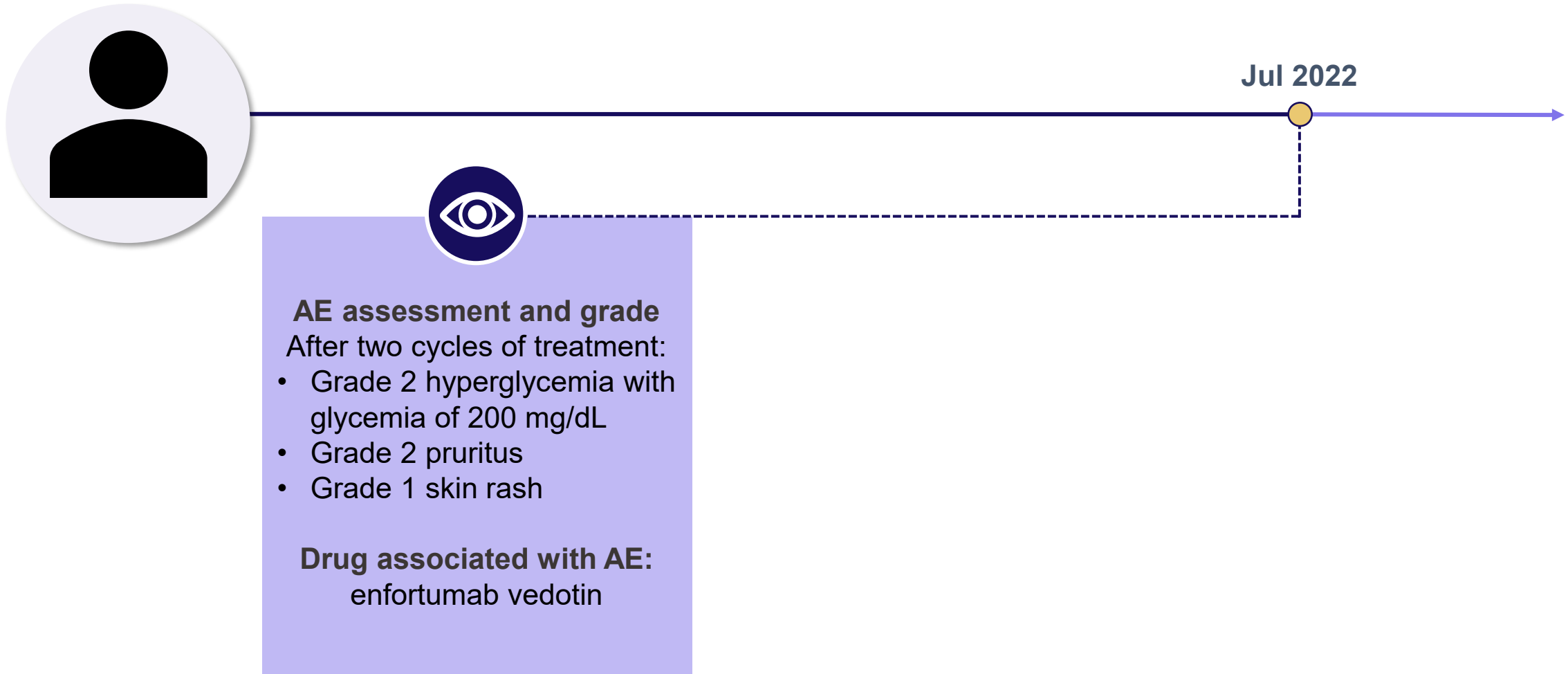
Subsequent treatment [1/2]



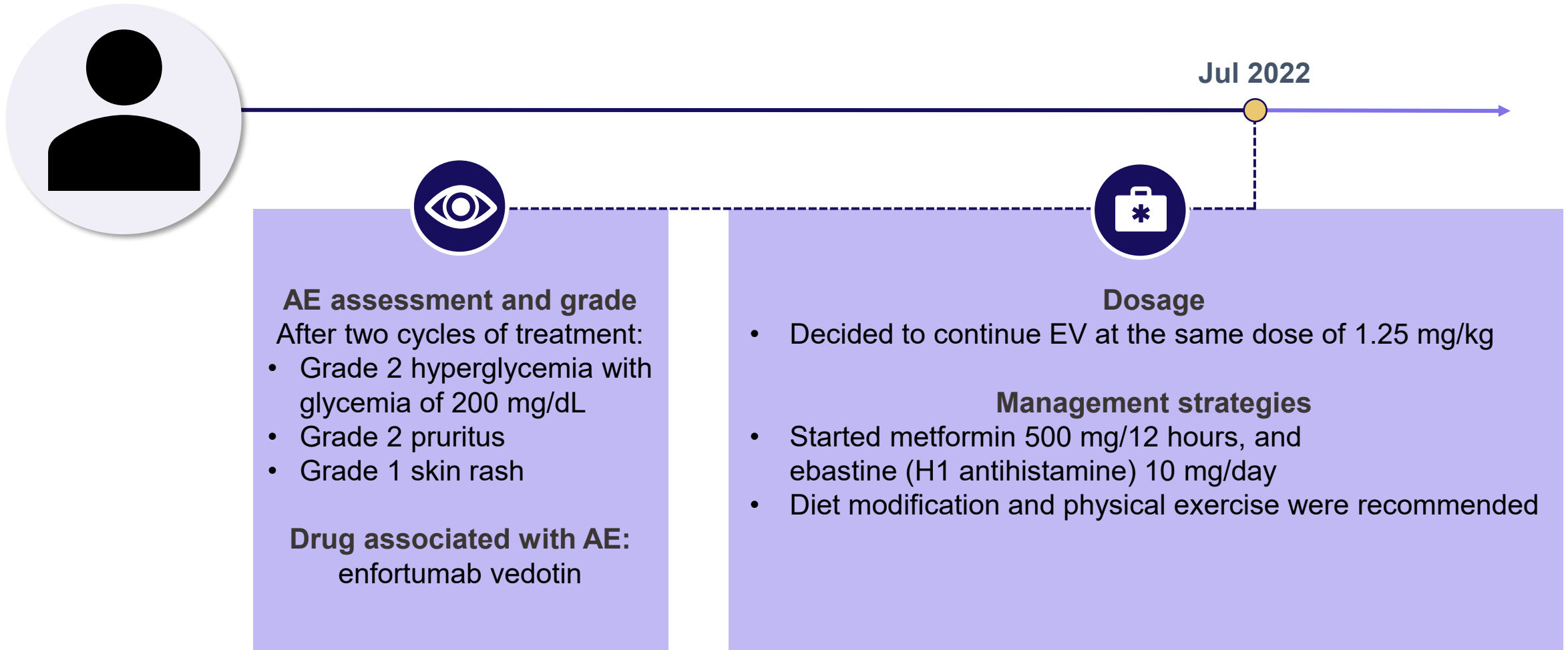
Subsequent treatment [2/2]



AE presentation and management: Hyperglycemia



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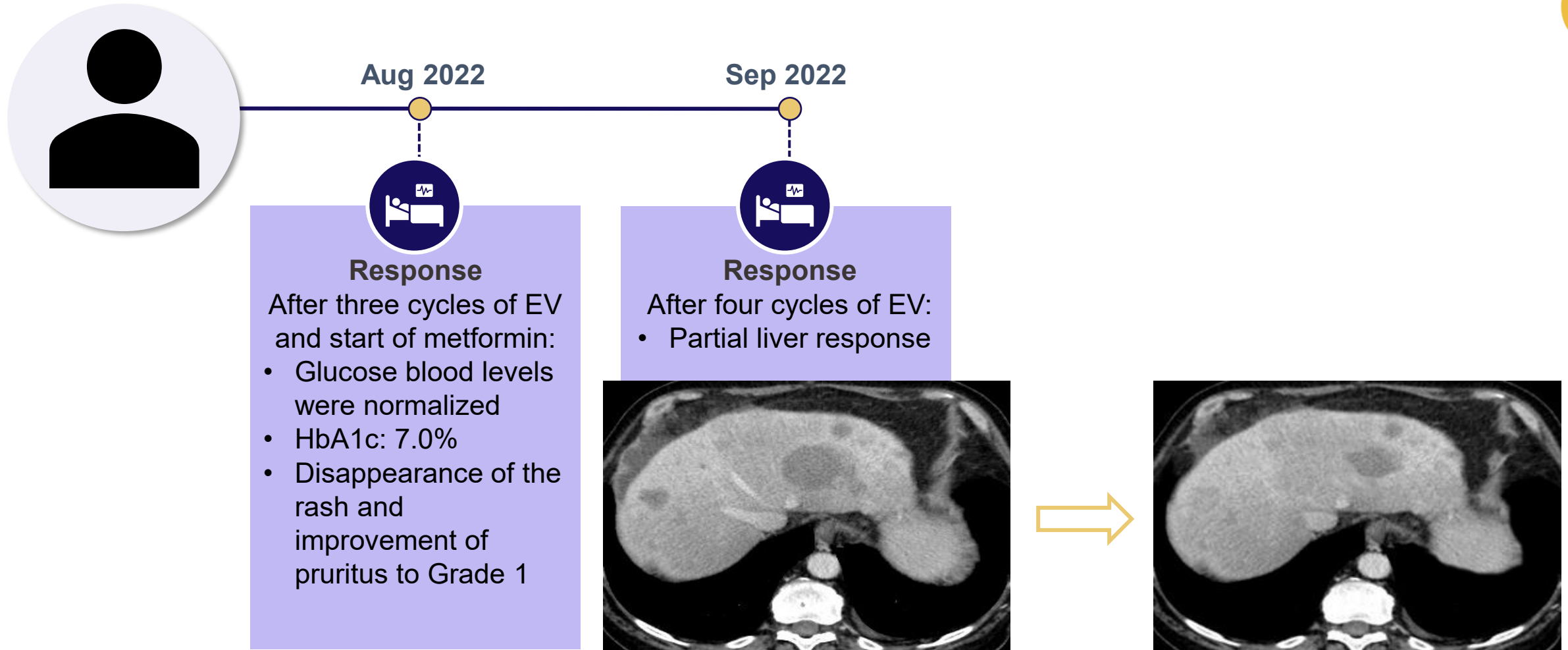
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Treatment response



Question for the audience

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EV-related hyperglycemia

SYMPTOMS¹

- Polydipsia
- Polyuria
- Weight loss
- Asthenia
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Abdominal pain

DIAGNOSIS¹

Basal glycemia ≥ 126 mg/dL
Blood glucose ≥ 200 mg/dL

ETIOLOGY?

ALWAYS consider the possibility of
Type 2 DM and **steroid-induced DM**
in patients with cancer³



Ambulatory management

DIABETIC KETOACIDOSIS²

pH + ketone bodies

TREATMENT^{1,3}

IV insulin
IV fluid therapy

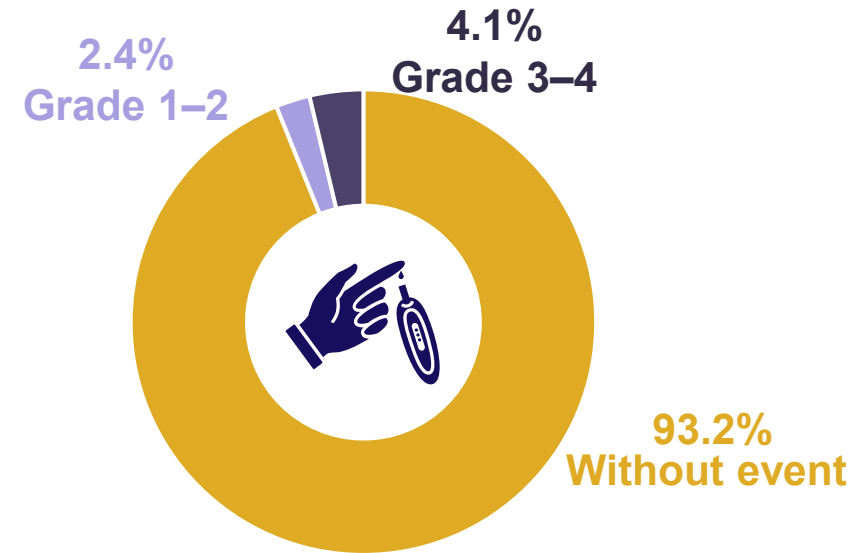


Admission¹
+ evaluation by
an endocrinologist

Hyperglycemia in EV-301 [1/2]

Hyperglycemia in patients receiving treatment with EV in EV-301*³

In EV-301, **18.6%** of patients receiving treatment with EV had **Type 2 DM** or **pre-existing hyperglycemia**¹ and **13.8%** of patients had a **BMI ≥ 30 kg/m²**²



	Enfortumab vedotin (n=296)						Chemotherapy (n=291)					
	Grade						Grade					
	All	1	2	3	4	5	All	1	2	3	4	5
Hyperglycemia ^{3*} (%)	20 (6.8)	3 (1.0)	4 (1.4)	12 (4.1)	0	1 (0.3)	1 (0.3)	0	1 (0.3)	0	0	0

*Median follow-up of 23.75 months.

BMI, body mass index; DM, diabetes mellitus.

1. Powles T et al. *N Engl J Med* 2021;384:1125–1135; 2. Powles T et al. *N Engl J Med* 2021;384:1125–1135 (supplementary); 3. Rosenberg JE et al. Presented at ASCO 2022. Poster 4516.

Hyperglycemia in EV-301 [2/2]



Hyperglycemia with EV occurred in patients both **with and without pre-existing diabetes mellitus**¹



Hyperglycemia occurred more **frequently** in patients **with pre-existing hyperglycemia** or a **high BMI (≥ 30 kg/m²)**²



The incidence of Grade 3–4 hyperglycemia consistently **increased in patients with higher BMI** and in patients **with higher baseline HbA1c**³



Median time to onset of hyperglycemia for patients receiving treatment with EV: **0.62 months** (range: 0.26–13.7)⁴



Risk factors:³

- Previous diabetes mellitus
- Active infection
- Use of systemic corticosteroids

BMI, body mass index; EV, enfortumab vedotin; HbA1c, glycated hemoglobin.

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Hyperglycemia management^{1,2}



- 1) **Assess baseline HbA1c before starting** treatment with EV
- 2) **Monitor glucose levels** before administration of each dose

- Glucose levels should be **monitored prior to dosing** and **periodically** throughout the course of treatment as clinically indicated in patients with or at risk for diabetes mellitus or hyperglycemia
- Patients with **a history of diabetes or hyperglycemia** should continue to see their endocrinologist or primary care doctor and inform them of their **EV treatment**
- Advise patients to **contact their physician if they experience symptoms** of hyperglycemia (polyuria, polydipsia, blurred vision, confusion, drowsiness, nausea, vomiting, etc.)

Hyperglycemia management

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
Dose adjustment	Continue at the same dose ¹	Continue at the same dose ¹	Withhold until elevated blood glucose has improved to ≤ 13.9 mmol/L (≤ 250 mg/dL). Resume treatment at the same dose level ^{1,2}	Suspend EV permanently ^{*3}
Management strategies	No medical intervention ³	Start treatment with oral antidiabetic agent ³	Start treatment with insulin ³	Urgent intervention required ³
Patients who develop hyperglycemia should be treated according to standard of care, oral and/or injectable hypoglycemic medication and consider referral to endocrinology²				



Glucose levels should be measured prior to dosing and throughout treatment with EV. EV should be temporarily discontinued if levels are >250 mg/dL (13.9 mmol/L) (Grade ≥ 3)¹

*Please note that this is speaker guidance. All HCPs should refer to their own country's specific Prescribing Information.

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Summary



Hyperglycaemia occurred in 6.8% of patients receiving treatment with EV in EV-301;¹ however, proactive management strategies can help to prevent symptoms that might otherwise lead to treatment interruption or discontinuation²



Monitoring glucose levels throughout treatment and early intervention including appropriate use of dose modification for Grade ≥ 3 per SmPC guidance, without impacting the ability to maintain response to EV¹⁻³



Effective communication between patients, HCPs, and specialists should play an active role in the management of AEs to ensure timely identification and effective care⁵



EV is an effective treatment option for a broad patient population including those with comorbidities and difficult-to-treat cases. Effective management strategies can be utilised to manage AEs, to ensure that patients receive optimal treatment outcomes⁶

AE, adverse event; EV, enfortumab vedotin; HCP, healthcare professional; PN, peripheral neuropathy; SmPC, Summary of Product Characteristics.

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4. Petrylak D et al. Presented at ASCO 2024. Abstract 4503; 5. Brower B et al. *Front Oncol* 2024;14:1326715.

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Patient case study: Aged ≥ 65 years



Mr. Ahmet

- White, Male
- Aged **75** years
- **ECOG PS: 1**
- **GFR: 74 mL/min**
- **BMI: 26 kg/m²**
- **HbA1c: 6.2 mmol/L**



Lifestyle: Smoking (>40 years)

Employment status/job: Retired teacher

Family history of cancer: None



Comorbidities

- Hypertension
- Asthma



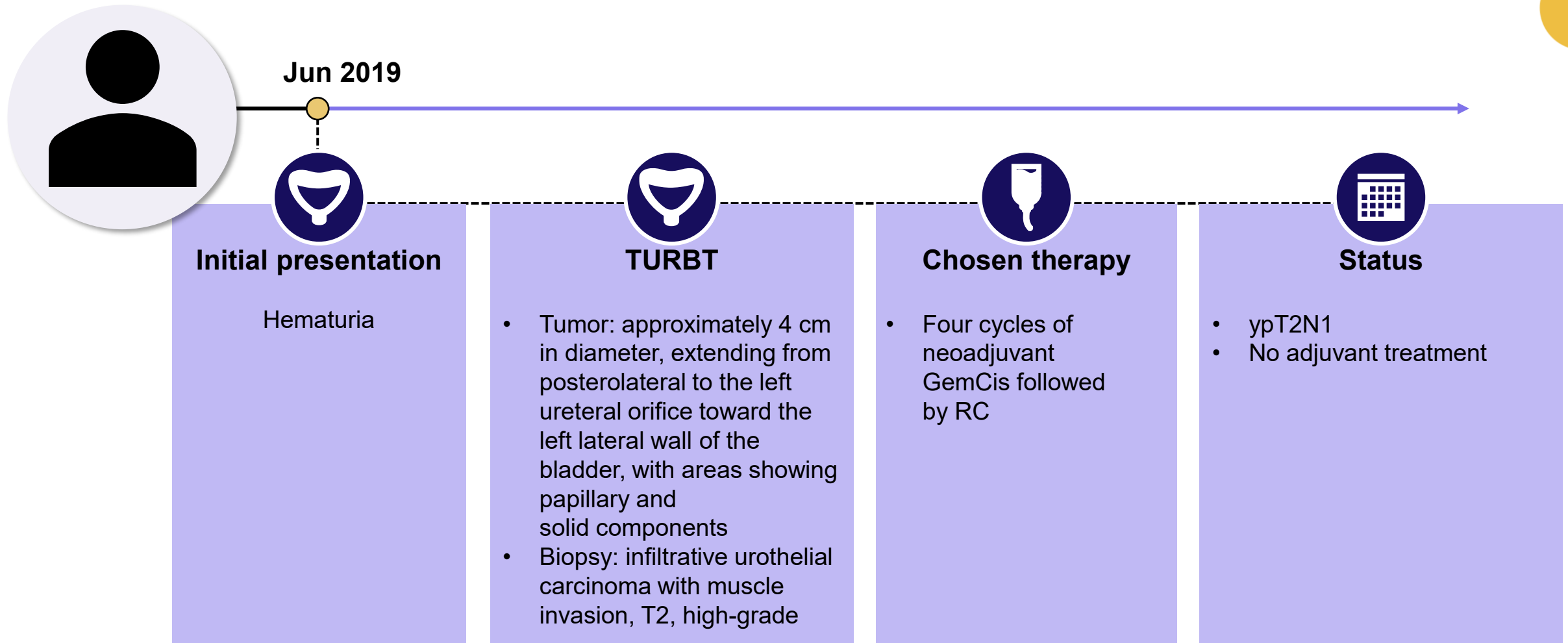
Concomitant medications

- ACE inhibitor
- Inhaled corticosteroids, used as needed

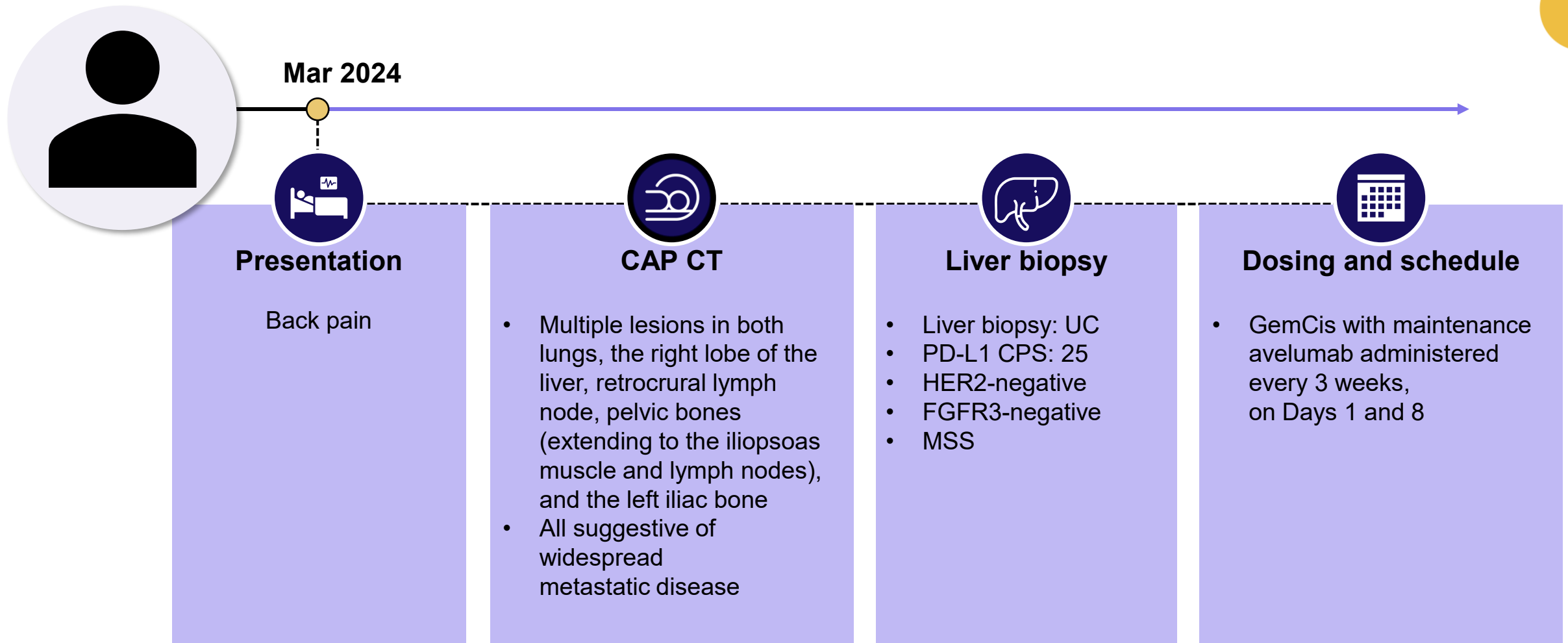


Any other relevant medical history: None

Treatment initiation, dosage, and schedule



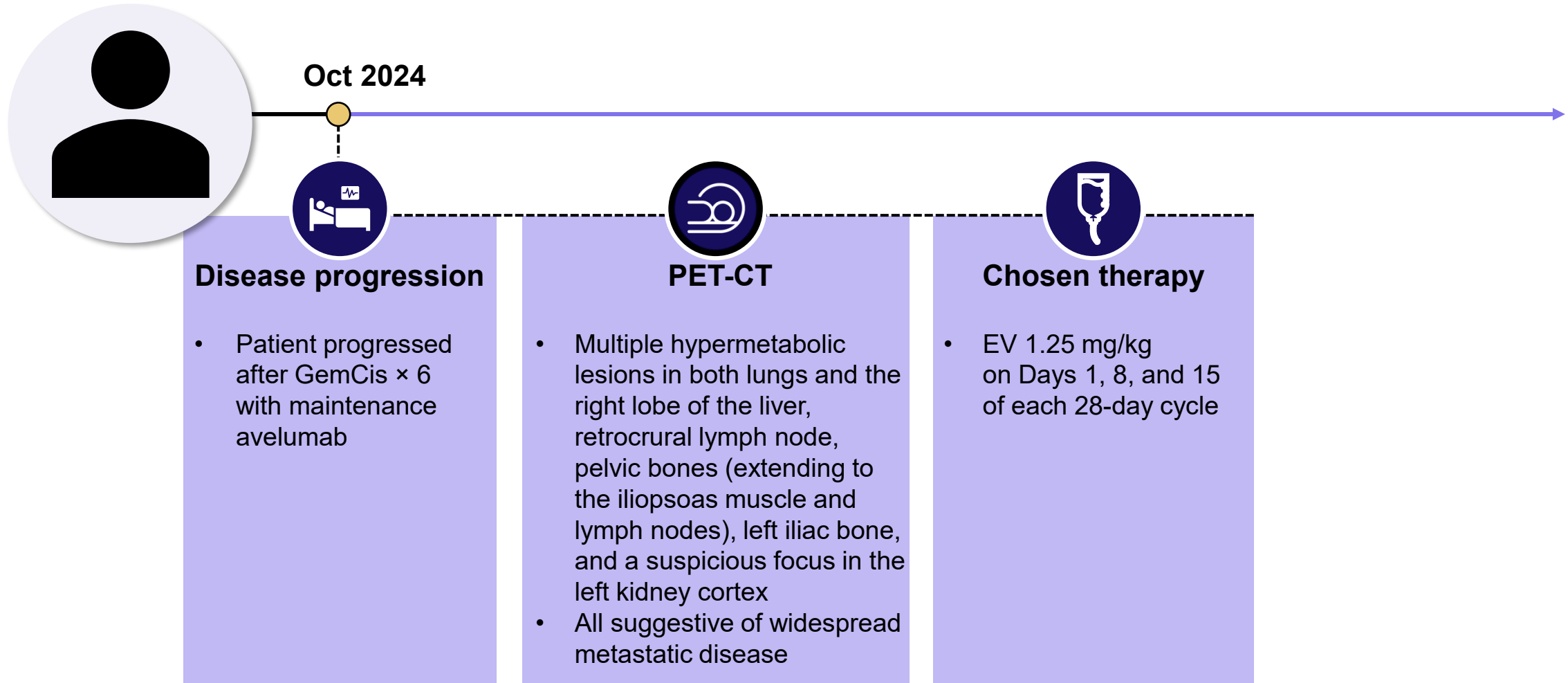
Response to treatment (1/3)



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CAP, chest, abdomen, and pelvis; CPS, combined positive score; CT, computed tomography; FGFR3, fibroblast growth factor receptor 3; GemCis, gemcitabine + cisplatin; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; MSS, microsatellite stability; PD-L1, programmed cell death ligand 1; UC, urothelial carcinoma.

Response to treatment (2/3)

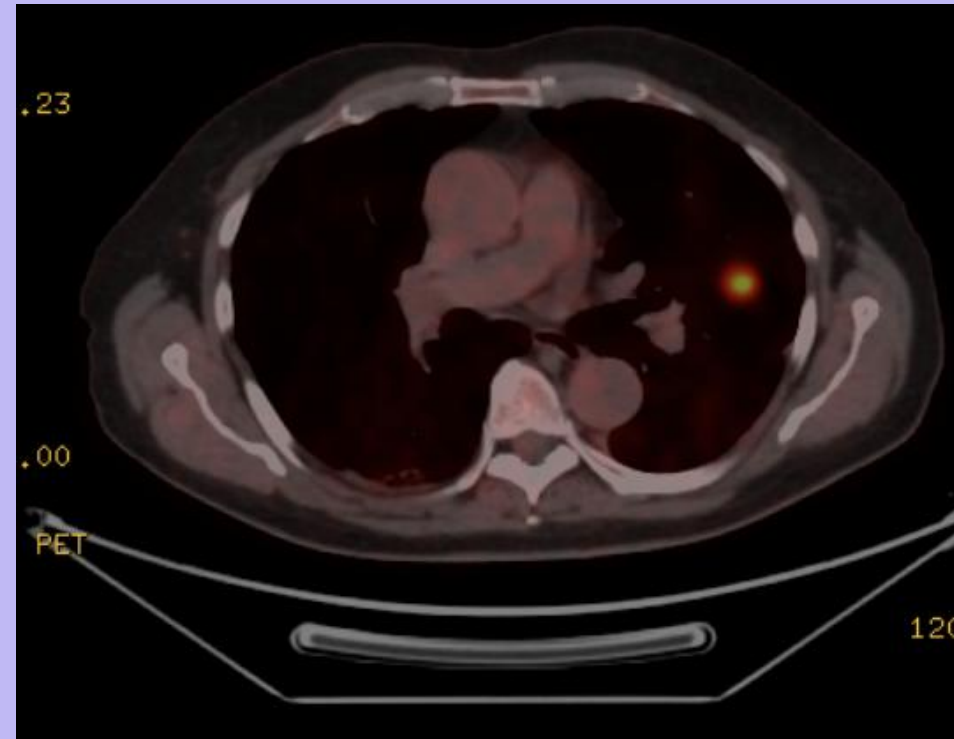


Response to treatment (3/3)

EV – three cycles



Oct 2024



Jan 2025

AE presentation and management



AE symptoms

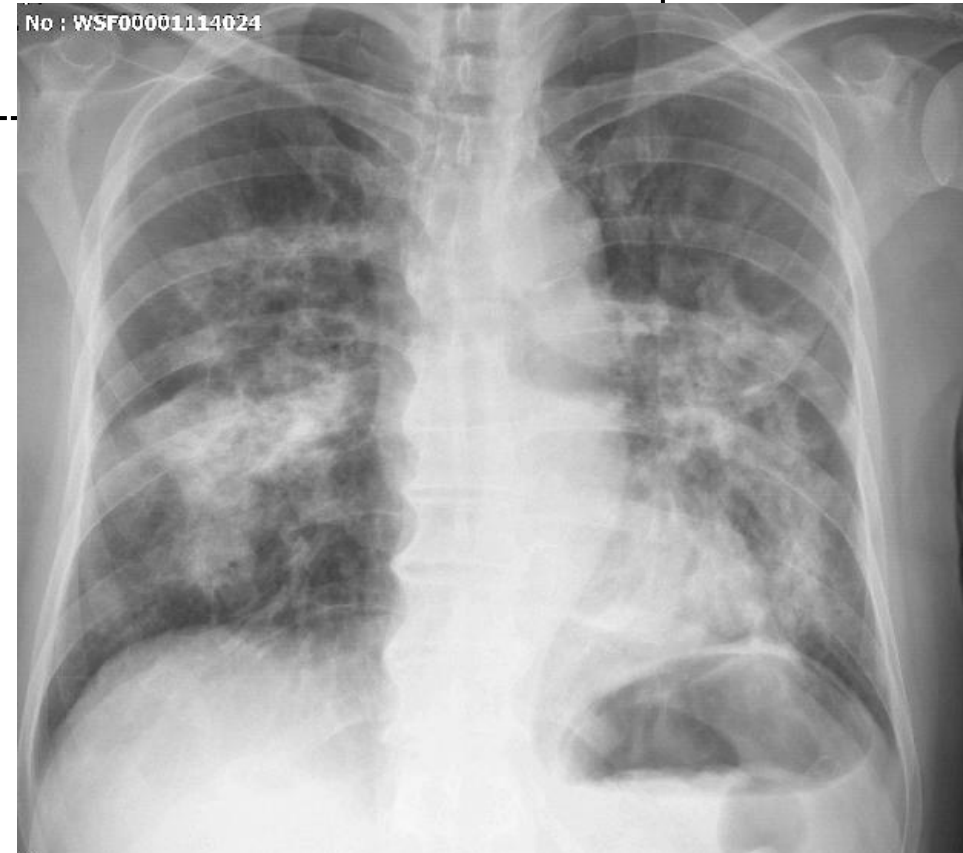
- Dyspnea
- No fever
- No cough

AE assessment and grade

- WBC: 7500/mm³
- CRP: 22 mg/dL
- Negative COVID-19 PCR

**EV associated with Grade 2
lung toxicity**

Feb 2025



Question for the audience

How would you approach managing this adverse event?

A Continue EV at the current dose

B Withhold EV until Grade ≤ 1

C Permanently discontinue EV

D Other

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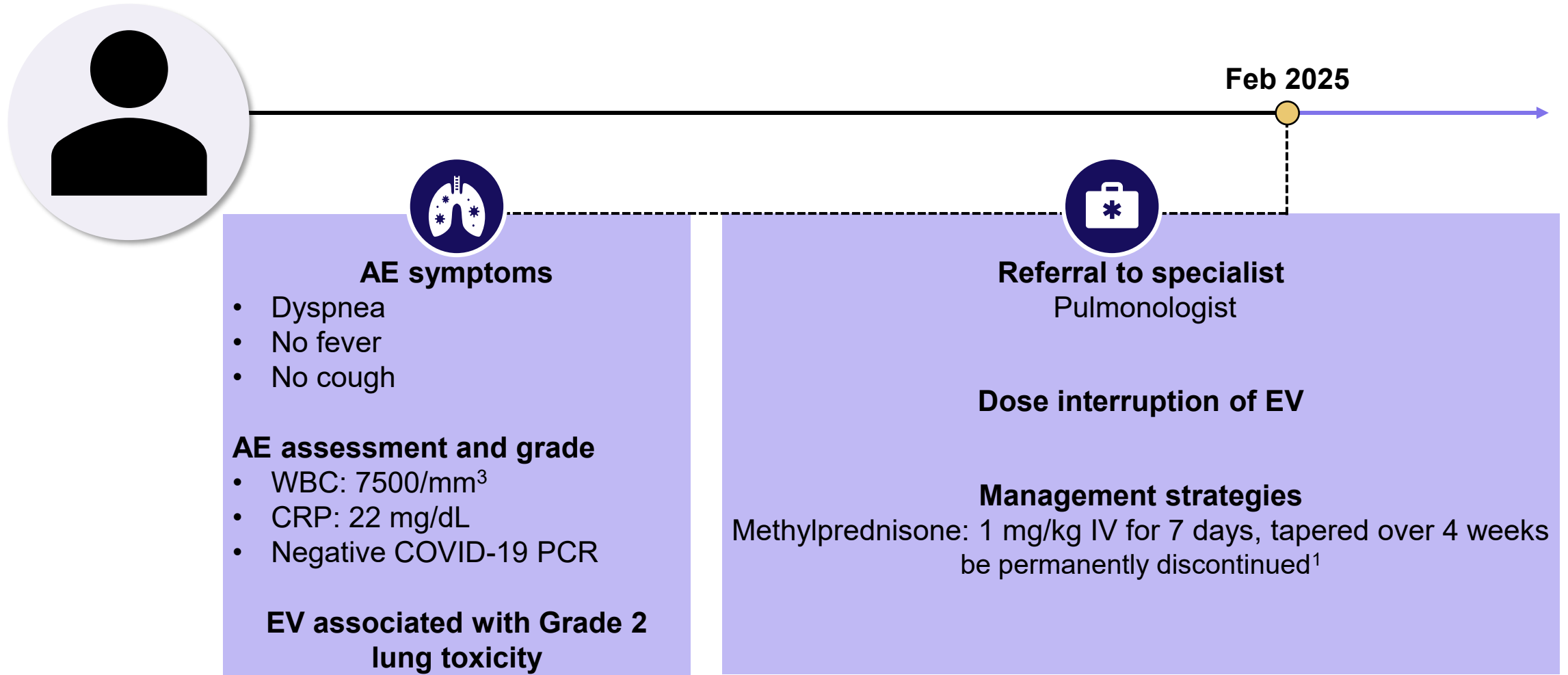
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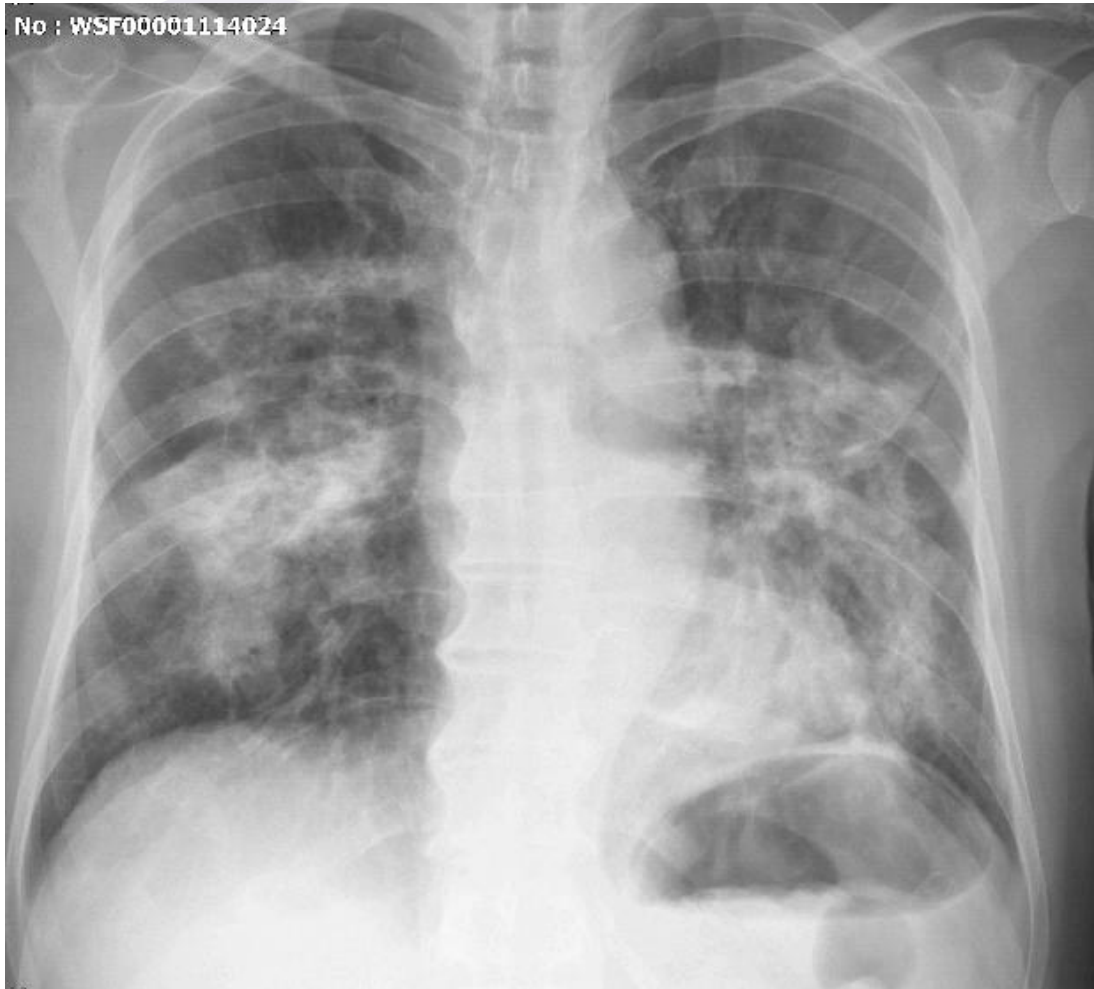


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AE, adverse event; CRP, C-reactive protein; EV, enfortumab vedotin; ILD, interstitial lung disease; IV, intravenous; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; SmPC, Summary of Product Characteristics; WBC, white blood cell.

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AE management



Mar 2025



Effect of AE management strategies on AEs

- Recovered very well

May 2025

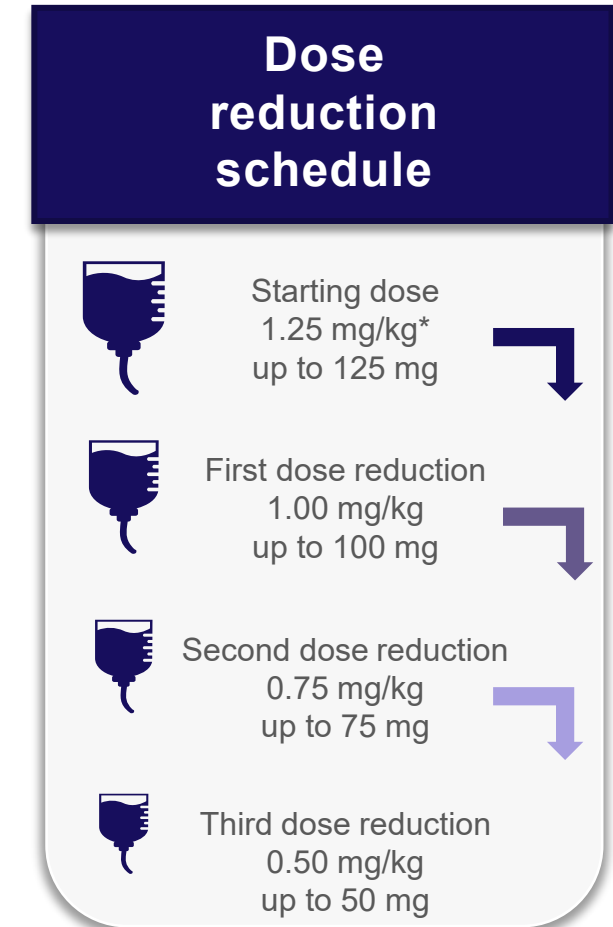


Subsequent treatment

- EV 1 mg/kg on Days 1 and 8 of each 21-day cycle

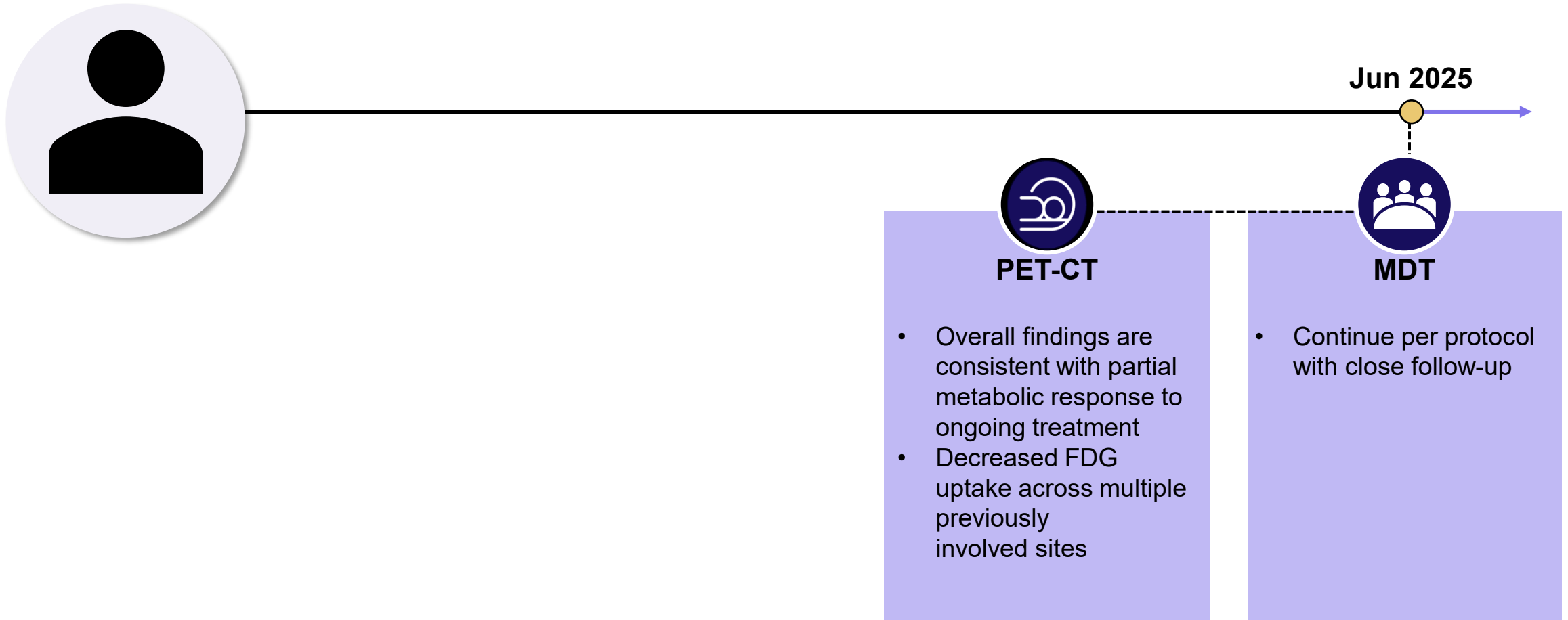
SmPC management guidance

AESI	Severity	Dose modification
Pneumonitis/ ILD	Grade ≥3	Permanently discontinue
	Grade 2	Withhold until Grade 1, then resume at the same dose level or consider dose reduction by one dose level

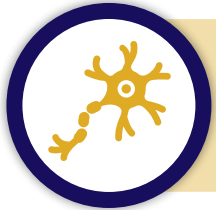


*Toxicity was graded per National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events Version 5.0 (NCI-CTCAE v5.0) where Grade 1 is mild, Grade 2 is moderate, Grade 3 is severe and Grade 4 is life-threatening. AESI, adverse event of special interest; EV, enfortumab vedotin; SJS, Stevens–Johnson syndrome; SmPC, Summary of Product Characteristics; TEN, toxic epidermal necrolysis. PADCEV™ (enfortumab vedotin). Summary of Product Characteristics.

Long-term response to treatment



Summary



In clinical studies of EV as monotherapy, pneumonitis/ILD occurred in 3.3% of patients receiving treatment with EV, with less than 1% experiencing events of Grade 3 or 4. Proactive management strategies can help to ensure that patients continue to maximize clinical benefits with EV¹



Prompt intervention with the use of dose modifications provides the best chance for resolution of pulmonary toxicities, without impacting the ability to maintain response to EV¹



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Patient case study: Non-response to prior PD-1/L1 inhibitor



Mr SN

- White, male
- **Age:** 70 years
- **ECOG PS:** 1
- **GFR:** 50 ml/min
- **BMI:** 27 kg/m²
- **HbA1c:** 7.0%



Lifestyle: Active

Employment status: Business owner

Family history of cancer: No



Comorbidities:

- Diabetes mellitus
- Hypertension
- Dyslipidaemia



Any other relevant medical history:

- History of prostate cancer s/p RP with RT 2008
- RCC s/p left partial nephrectomy in 2015

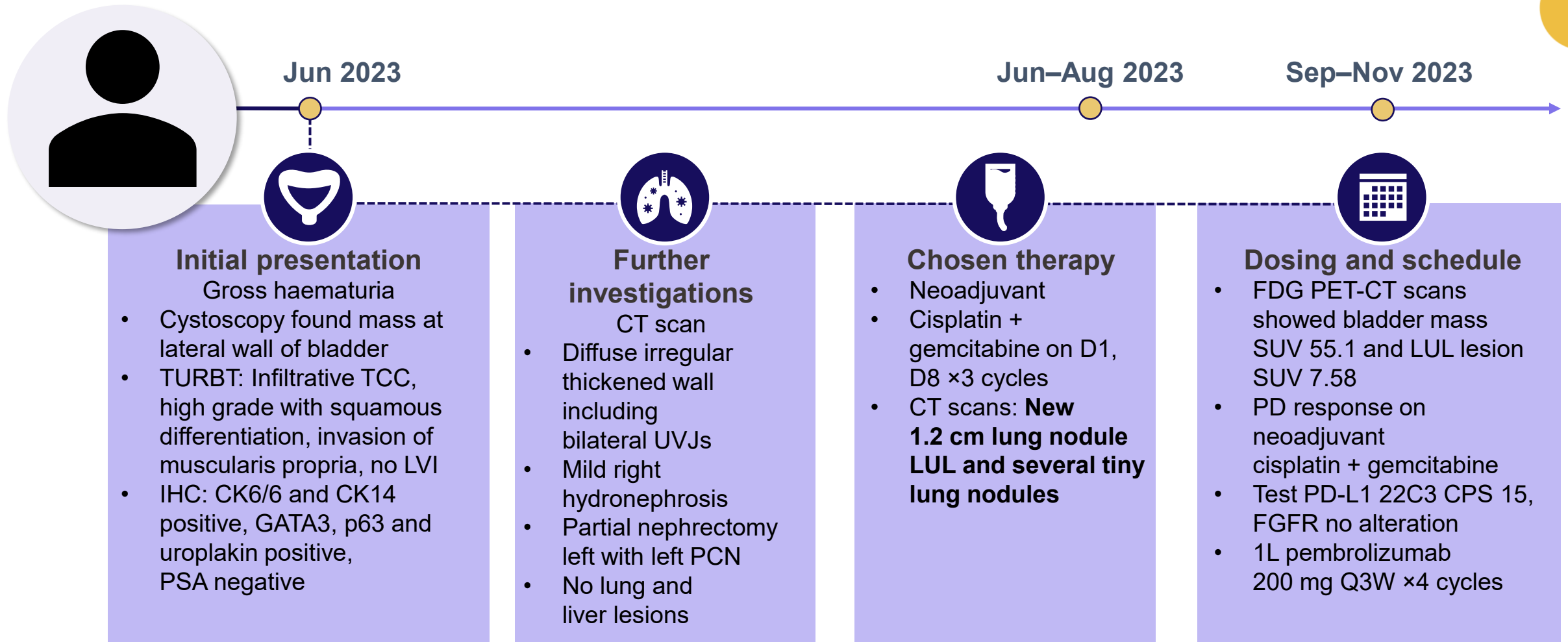
Concomitant medications:

- Metformin 500 mg BID (one tablet)
- Enalapril 5 mg BID (one tablet)
- Flavoxate 200 mg TID (one tablet)

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BID, twice daily; BMI, body mass index; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; GFR, glomerular filtration rate; HbA1c, glycated haemoglobin; PD-1, programmed cell death protein 1; PD-L1, programmed cell death ligand 1; RCC, renal cell carcinoma; RP, radical prostatectomy; RT, radiotherapy; s/p, status post; TID, three times daily.

Treatment initiation, dosage, and schedule



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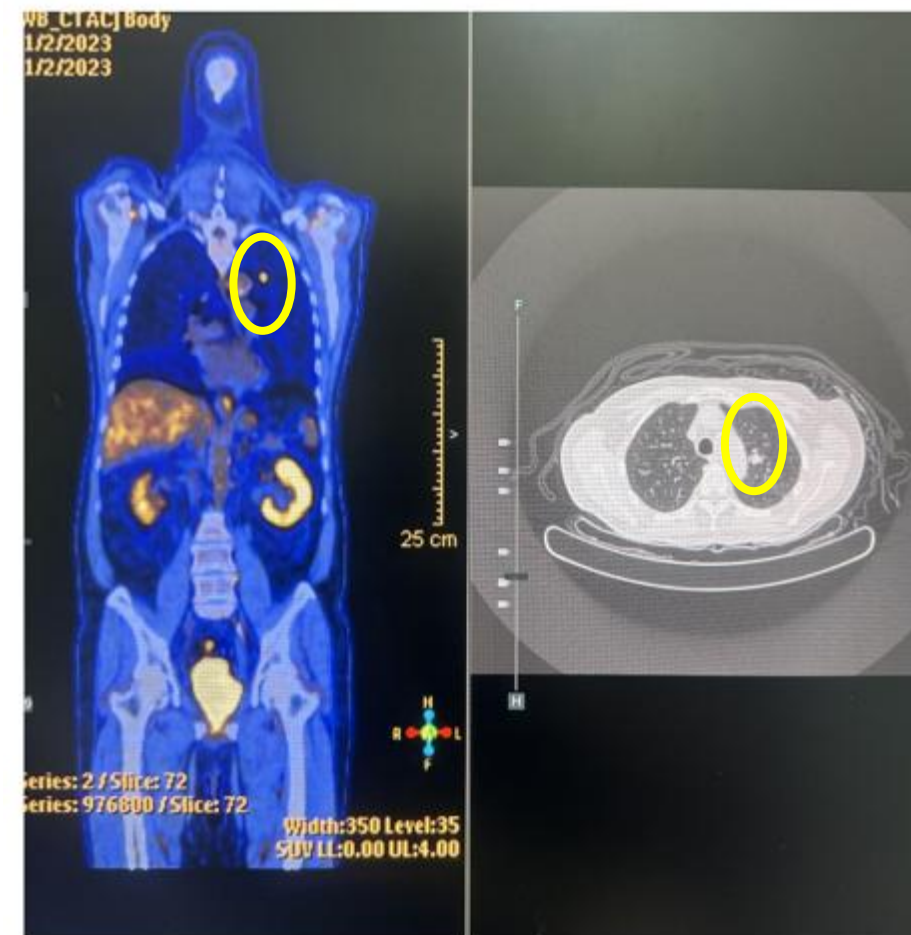
1L, first-line; CK, cytokeratin; CPS, combined positive score; CT, computed tomography; D, Day; FDG, fluorodeoxyglucose; FGFR, fibroblast growth factor receptor; IHC, immunohistochemistry; LUL, left upper lobe; LVI, lymphovascular invasion; PCN, percutaneous nephrostomy; PD, progressive disease; PD-L1, programmed cell death ligand 1; PET, positron emission tomography; PSA, prostate-specific antigen; Q3W, every 3 weeks; SUV, standardised uptake value; TCC, transitional cell carcinoma; TURBT, transurethral removal of bladder tumour; UVJ, uterovesical junction.

Initial patient response to treatment



- **CT scans after four cycles of pembrolizumab:**
New lymphadenopathy at bilateral external iliac, left internal iliac and presacral regions, likely node metastasis
- **FDG PET-CT scans on 2 Nov 2023:**
Bladder mass involving left side and anterior aspect of the bladder and left UVJ, left hydronephrosis
 - Five FDG-avid lymph nodes, 1.1 cm LUL lesions

2 Nov 2023



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CT, computed tomography; FDG, fluorodeoxyglucose; LL, lower limit; LUL, left upper lobe; PET, positron emission tomography; SUV, standardized uptake value; UL, upper limit; UVJ, uterovesical junction; WB-CTAC, whole body CT-based attenuation correction.

Question for the audience

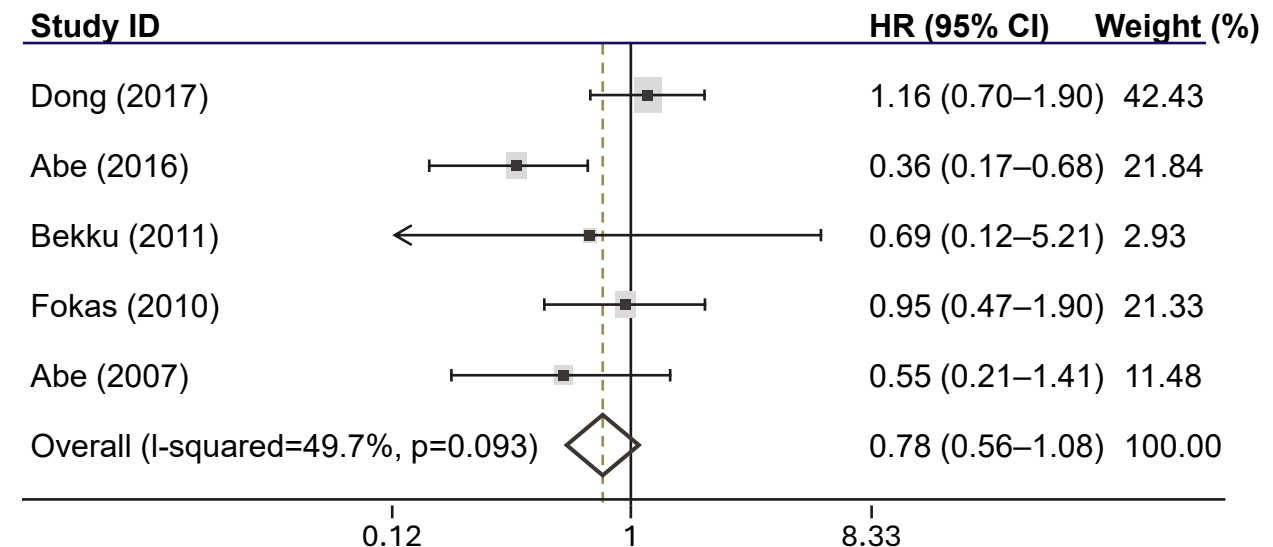
What treatment approach would you favour for this patient?

- A EV monotherapy**
- B Single-agent chemotherapy**
- C Metastasectomy**
- D Other**

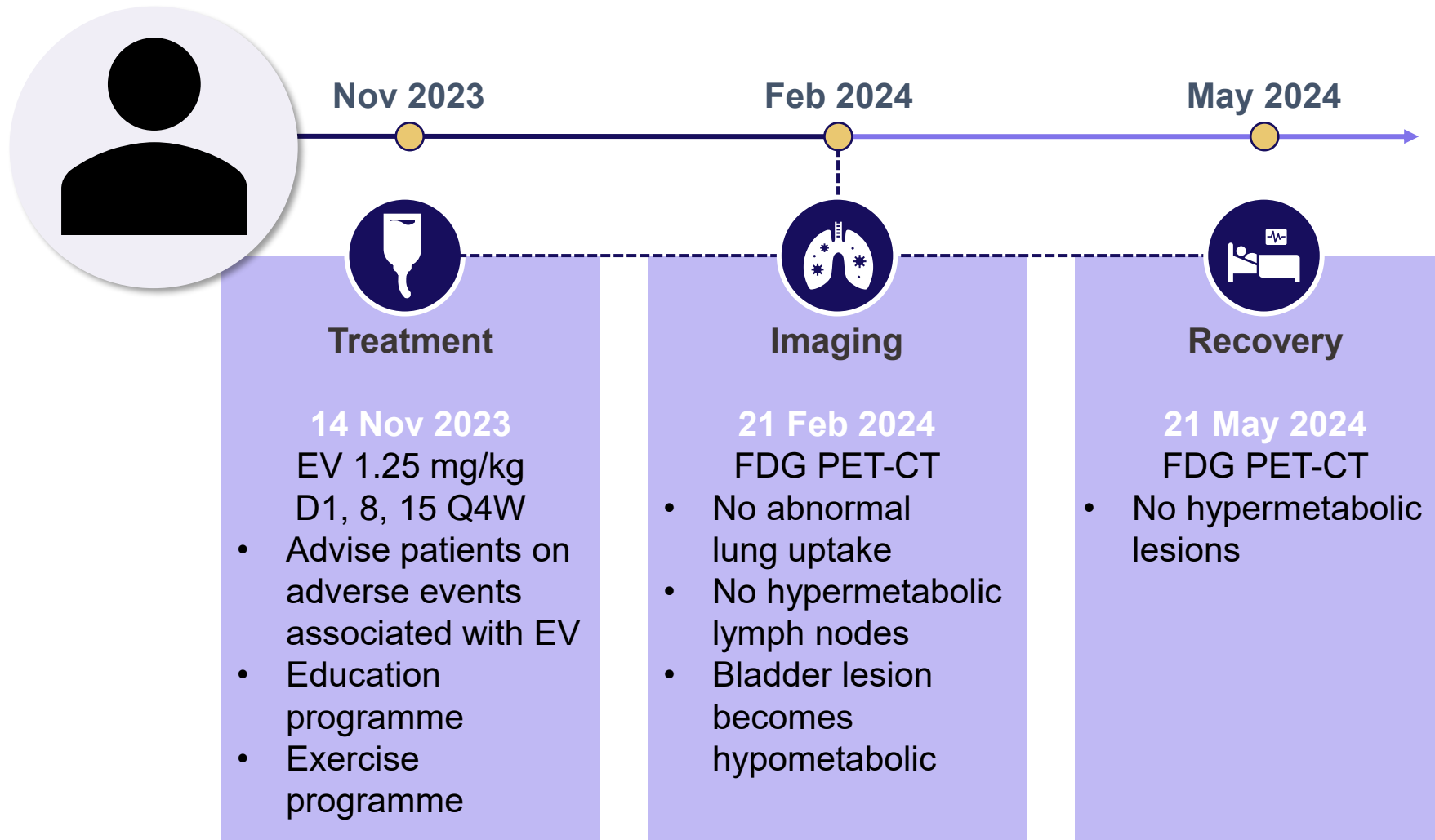
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- There is no strong evidence to support the role of metastasectomy in improving survival in patients with mUC^{1–3}
 - Findings from a single-centre study suggest that metastasectomy **may not be suitable** for all patients such as those with **hepatic metastases** or **primary UTUC** involvement¹
 - As there is a large degree of **variability in reporting elements** and multiple sources of bias due to the **lack of prospective randomised trials**, limited conclusions can be drawn²
 - In a network meta-analysis, metastasectomy was **not associated with a benefit in OS**³

OS: Metastasectomy vs. non-surgical³



Patient response to treatment [1/4]



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Patient response to treatment [2/4]

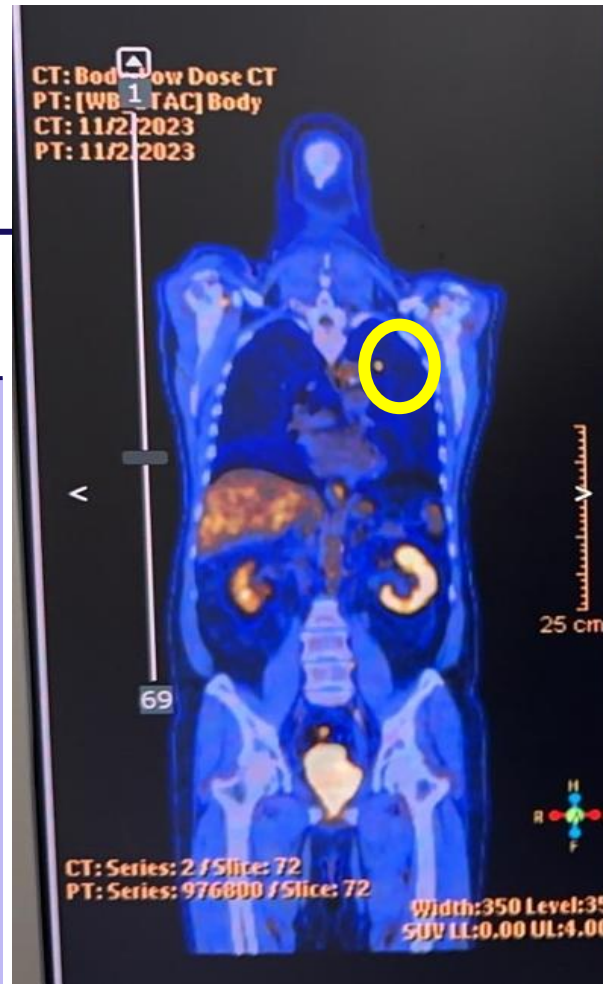


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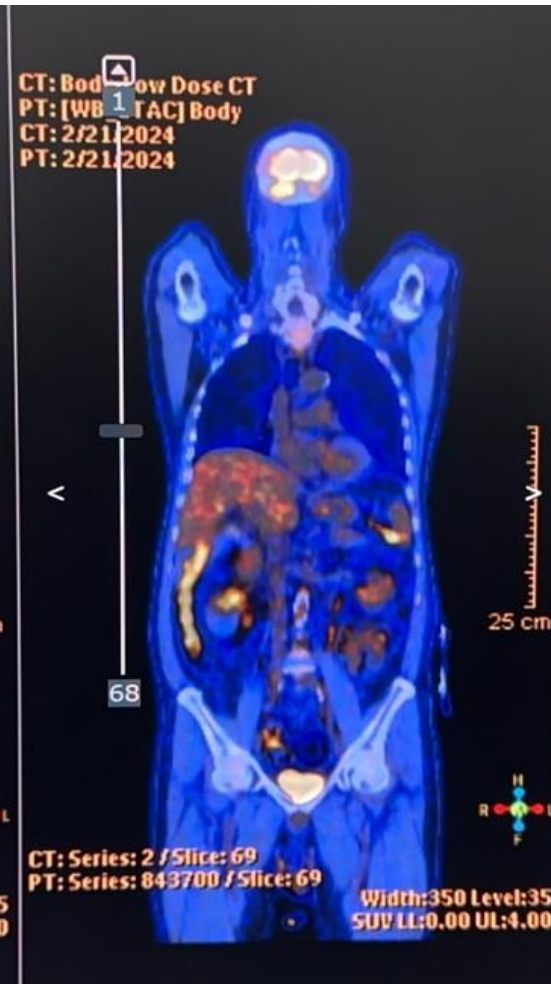


Treatment

14 Nov 2023
EV 1.25 mg/kg
D1, 8, 15 Q4W



PET-CT
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PET-CT
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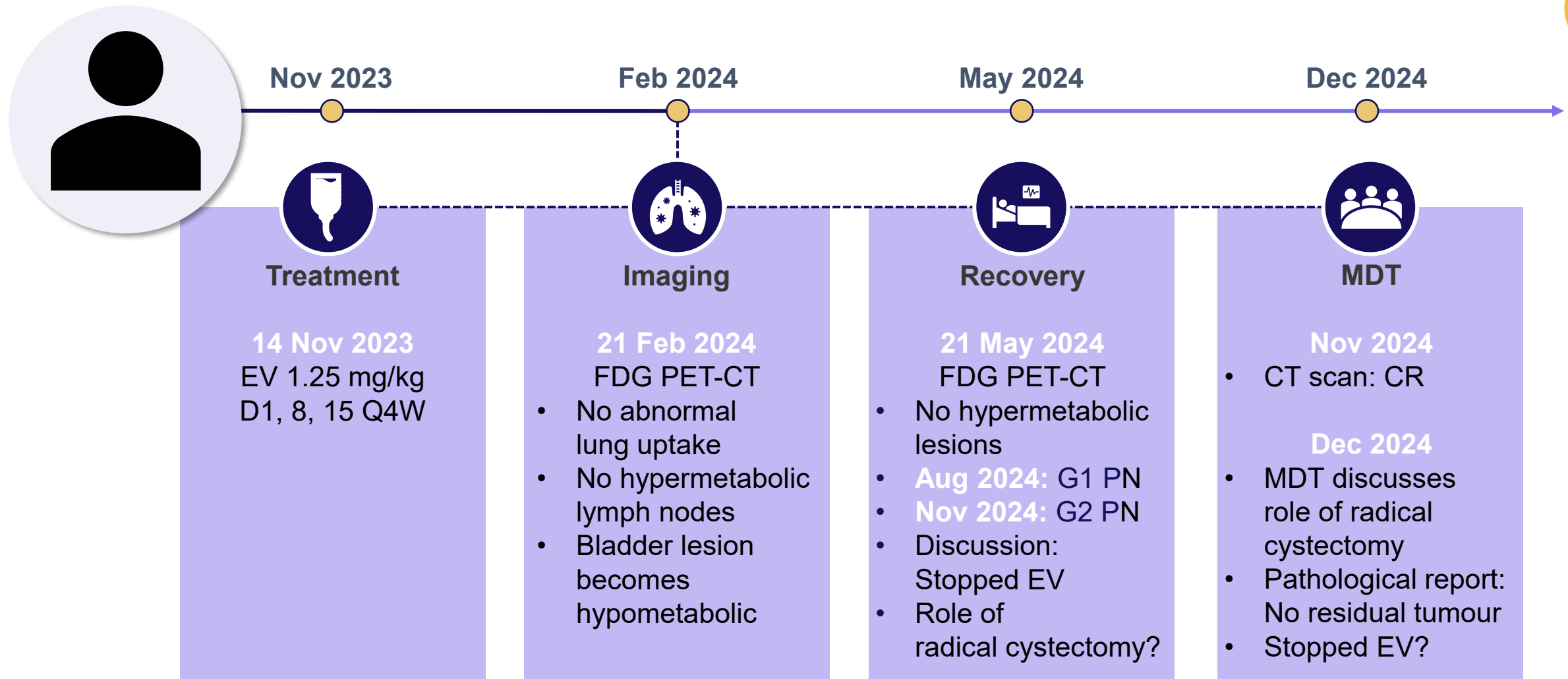
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Patient response to treatment [3/4]



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Patient response to treatment [4/4]



Dec 2024: Pathological diagnosis

1. Urinary bladder, robotic cystectomy:
 - No residual tumour detected
 - Presence of subepithelial granulation tissues, focal submucosal and muscularis propria fibrosis
 - All margins are negative for carcinoma
2. Distal ureter, right, excision:
 - No malignancy
3. Distal ureter, right, excision:
 - No malignancy
4. Urinary bladder mucosa, biopsy:
 - Chronic inflammation with granulation tissue
 - No malignancy

AE presentation and management



AE symptoms

- C1D15: Skin rash Grade 1
- C2D1: Grade 3 hyperglycaemia (BS 280 mg/dL)
- C2D8, C3D8: Recurrent UTI
- C8D1: Grade 1 neuropathy
- C9D1: Grade 2 neuropathy (slightly limits IADLs)
- C12D15: Grade 2 neuropathy (moderately limits IADLs)

Drug associated with AE: EV



Referral to specialist:

- C2D1: Grade 3 hyperglycaemia: Consult endocrine specialist

Management strategies:

- **Skin rash** Grade 1: TA lotion
- Hyperglycaemia: Adjust gemigliptin one tablet once daily; insulin BS 155 mg/dL (Grade 1)
- C9D1: Neuropathy; adjust EV to 1 mg/kg
- C12D1: Stop EV

Peripheral neuropathy is a common AE associated with EV

Incidence of PN associated with EV

Across clinical studies of 793 patients receiving EV, peripheral neuropathy occurred in 53% of patients

- 5% of patients experienced severe peripheral neuropathy (Grade 3 or 4)
- Median time to onset of Grade ≥ 2 peripheral neuropathy was 5 months

Peripheral neuropathy is a common AE associated with EV

Guidance for PN

Grade 2

- Withhold until Grade ≤ 1
- For first occurrence, resume treatment at the same dose level
- For a recurrence, withhold until Grade ≤ 1 , then resume treatment reduced by one dose level

Grade 3

- Permanently discontinue

The effect of exercise on PN

A review in 2004 found inadequate evidence from randomised controlled trials to evaluate the effect of exercise on disability in peripheral neuropathy^{1,2}

There was evidence that strengthening exercises moderately improve muscle strength in people with peripheral neuropathy^{1,2}

The impact of exercise on CIPN was discussed at the MASCC annual meeting in 2022 highlighting three types of intervention^{2,3}

Exercise started before administration of chemotherapy and continued – **most effective**

Exercise only before chemotherapy – **partial neuroprotection**

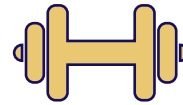
Exercise after chemotherapy – **partial therapeutic effect**

Exercise and patient care for CIPN

Prevention

Endurance and/or resistance training

- May improve sensory symptoms, prevent strength loss, improve balance, reduce falls and fall-related injury and stabilise the functional capacity of patients



Balance training

- Beneficial effects on balance, pain, muscle strength and fitness



Whole body vibration training



Rehabilitation

Endurance and/or resistance training

- May improve CIPN symptoms, functional tests and pain

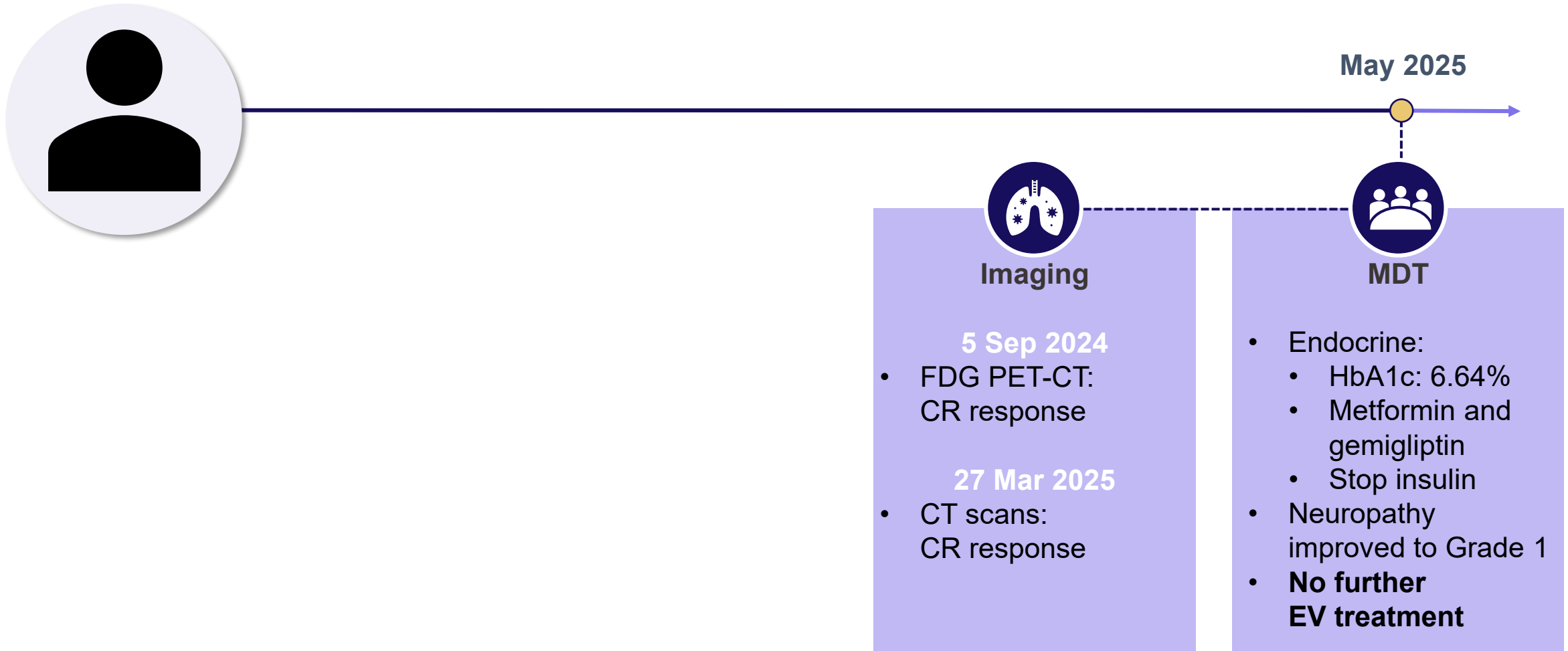
Balance training

- May improve balance function, postural control, QOL and reduce symptom severity

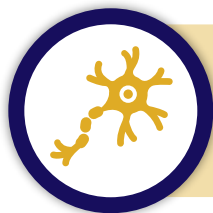
Whole body vibration training

- May improve CIPN symptoms and muscular power

Long-term response to treatment



Summary



PN is a frequent, dose-limiting toxicity associated with EV use; however, proactive management strategies can help to ensure that patients continue to maximise clinical benefits with EV¹



Early recognition of treatment-emergent PN and prompt intervention with the use of dose modifications provides the best chance for resolution, without impacting the ability to maintain response to EV. There are no medications specifically recommended for managing EV-induced PN, favouring non-pharmacological interventions^{1–3}



Effective communication between patients, HCPs, and specialists should play an active role in the management of AEs to ensure timely identification and effective care⁴



EV is an effective treatment option for a broad patient population including those with comorbidities and difficult-to-treat cases. Effective management strategies can be utilised to manage AEs, to ensure that patients receive optimal treatment outcomes¹

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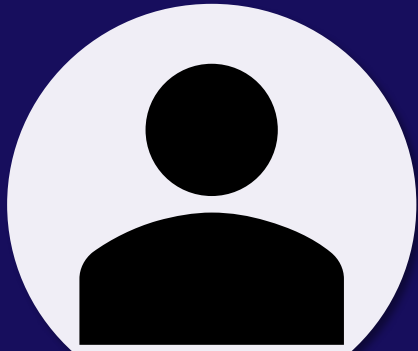
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Patient case study: Monitoring and management of cutaneous toxicities



Mr N

- Thai, male
- **Age:** 75 years
- **ECOG PS:** 1
- **GFR:** 35 mL/min
- **BMI:** 24 kg/m²
- **HbA1c:** 6.2 mmol/mol



Lifestyle: Active

Employment status: Retired

Family history of cancer: Sister with breast cancer



Comorbidities:

- Diabetes mellitus
- Hypertension
- CKD Stage 3

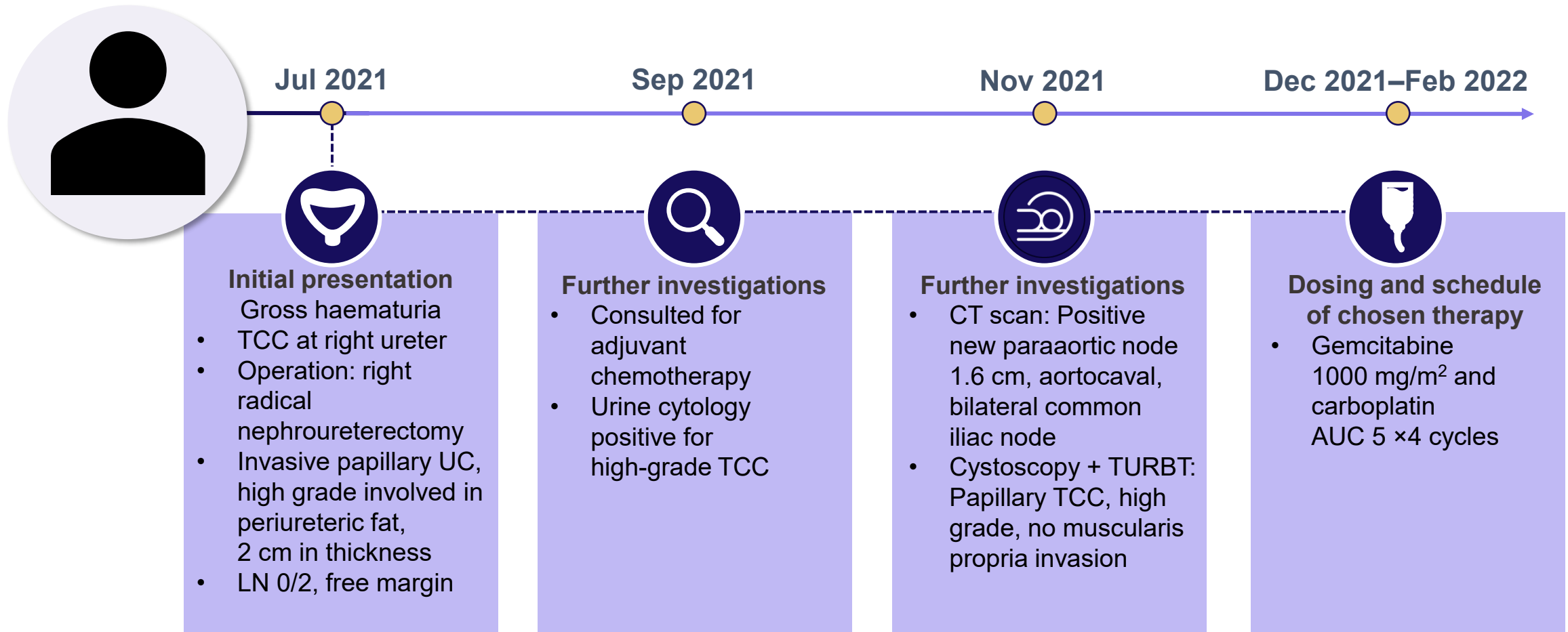


Concomitant medications: Glipizide BID (one tablet before meals)



Any other relevant medical history: N/A

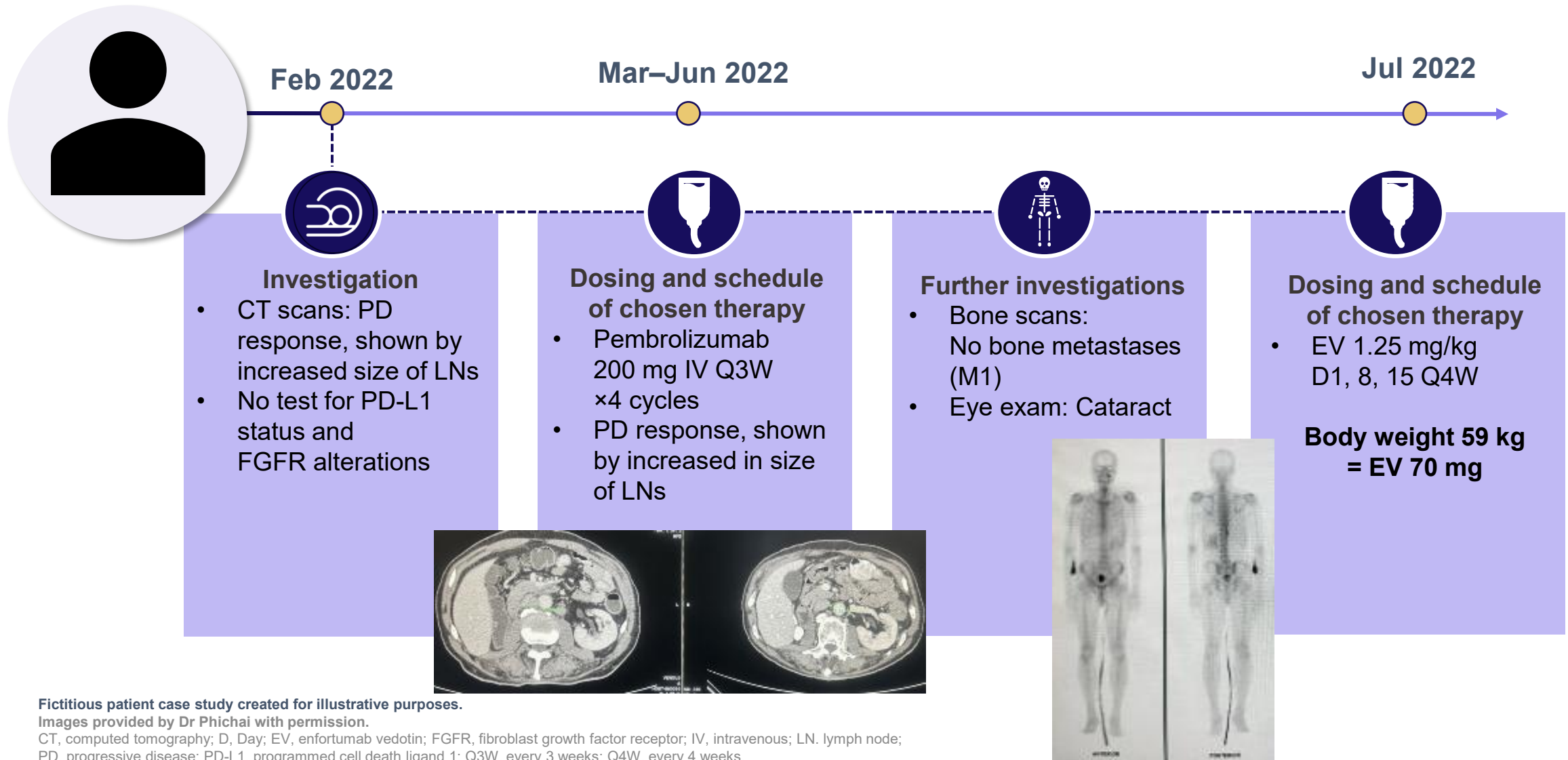
Treatment initiation, dosage, and schedule



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AUC, area under the curve; CT, computed tomography; LN, lymph node; TCC, transitional cell carcinoma; TURBT, transurethral removal of bladder tumour; UC, urothelial carcinoma.

Treatment initiation, dosage, and schedule



AE presentation



- **Cycle 2, Day 8:** The patient had skin lesions, mostly on skin fold. Originated with skin redness and developed to bullous lesions
- **Dermatologist diagnosed SDRIFE:**
Well-defined symmetrical V-shaped erythematous (red) rash of the gluteal region or groin.
There is often involvement of at least one other skin fold or flexural area, such as the armpit and behind the knees



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AE, adverse event; SDRIFE, symmetrical drug-related intertriginous and flexural exanthema.

Question for the audience

What treatment approach would you favour for this patient?

- A Withhold EV until Grade ≤ 1**
- B Topical agents**
- C Referral to a dermatologist**
- D Permanently discontinue EV**

AE presentation and management: EV-related cutaneous toxicity



AE symptoms
EV-related cutaneous toxicity

AE assessment and grade
Grade 3

Drug associated with AE:
EV



Dose interruption/reduction

- Hold EV, start oral prednisolone 0.5 mg/kg
- 1 week later, skin lesions were improving
 - The second cycle was delayed by 2 weeks
- Adjusted dose of EV to 1 mg/kg
- Once Grade ≤ 1 , EV can be resumed at the same dose level or dose reduction can be considered by one dose level¹

Management strategies

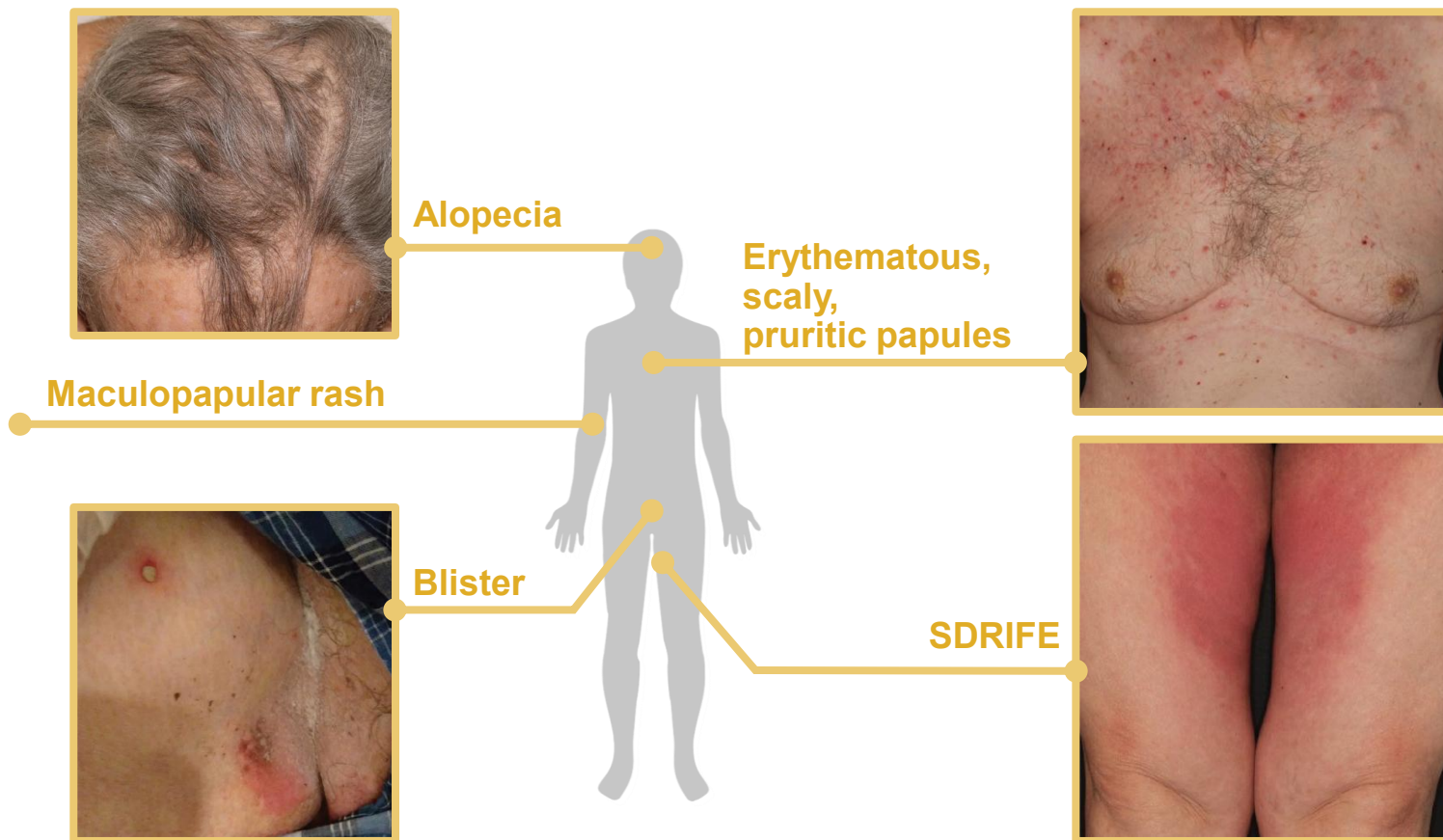
- Continue EV at 1 mg/kg (60 mg)
- **Referral to a specialist is not always required²**

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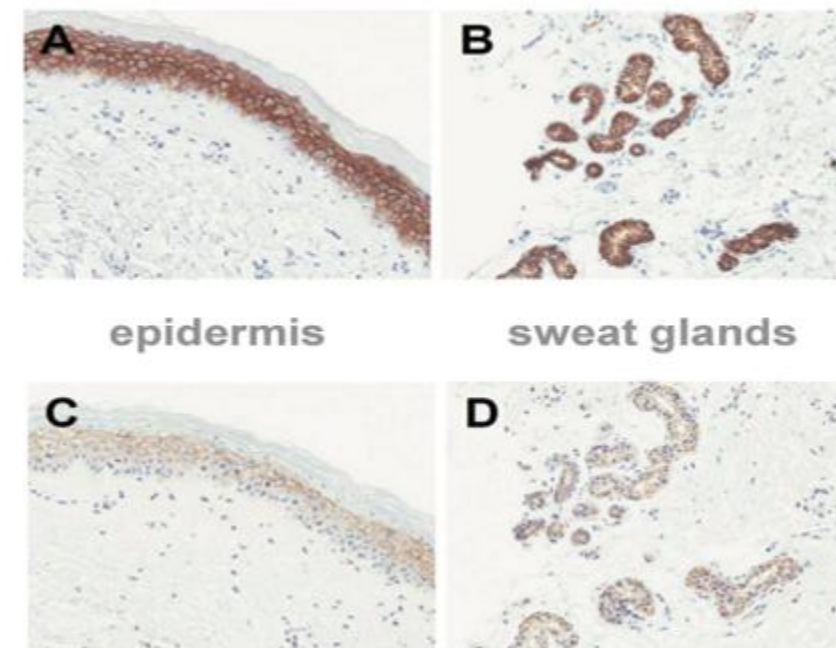
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Cutaneous toxicities associated with EV may vary in morphology, distribution, and associated symptoms



Expression of Nectin-4 in the skin*



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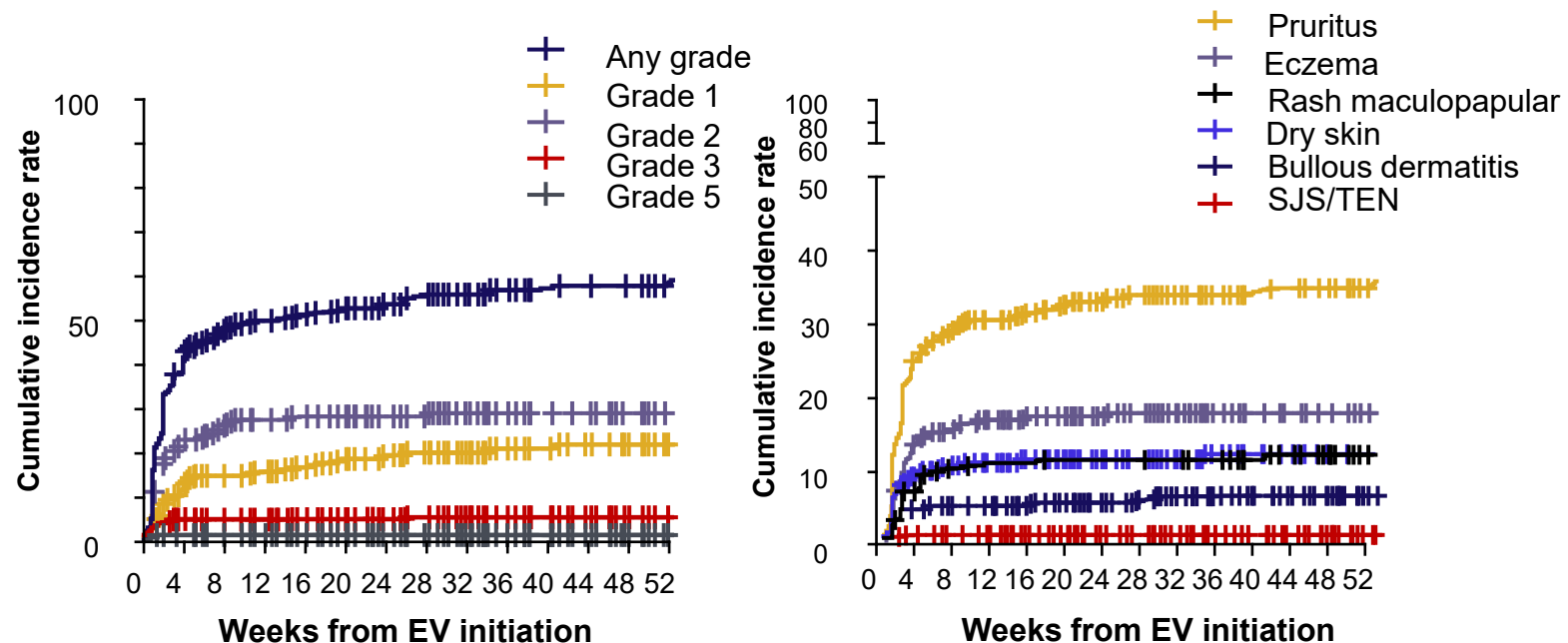
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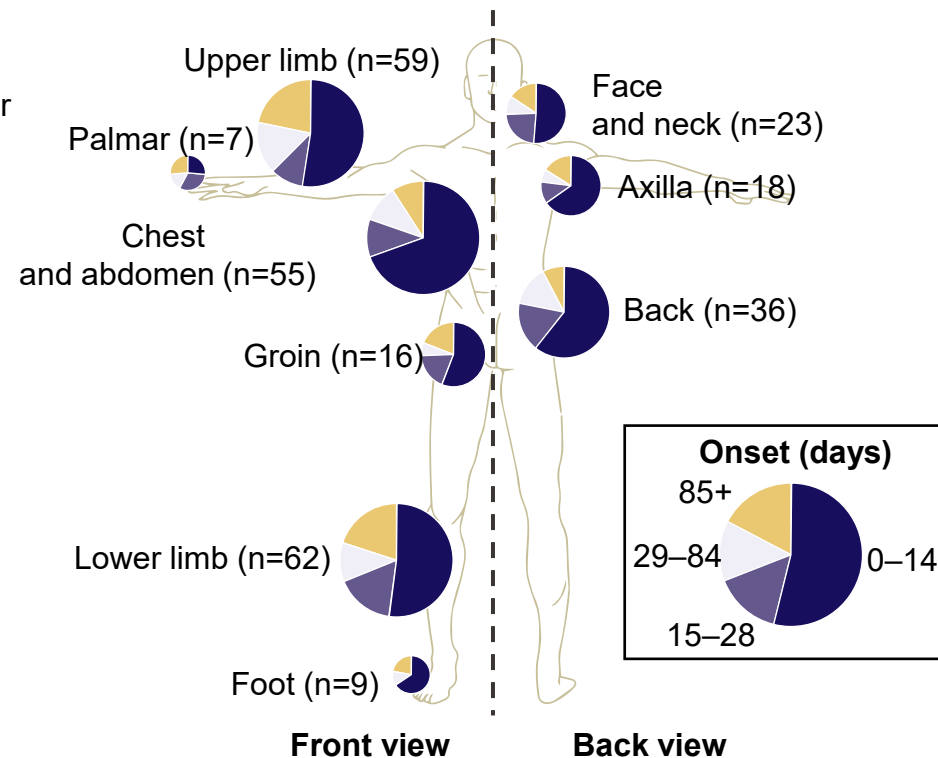
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EV-related cutaneous toxicities have a characteristic time to onset and site occurrences

Maximum grade and EVRCT type



Onset and occurrence by site



Cutaneous toxicities such as maculopapular rash and SJS can be graded according to the CTCAE

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Rash maculopapular: A disorder characterised by the presence of macules and papules. Also known as morbilliform rash, it is one of the most common cutaneous adverse events, frequently affecting the upper trunk, spreading centripetally and associated with pruritus				
Macule/papules covering 10–30% BSA with or without symptoms*	Macule/papules covering 10–30% BSA with or without symptoms;* limiting instrumental ADLs; rash covering >30% BSA with or without mild symptoms	Macule/papules covering >30% BSA with moderate or severe symptoms; limiting self-care ADLs	N/A	N/A
SJS: A disorder characterised by less than 10% total BSA separation of dermis. The syndrome is thought to be a hypersensitivity complex affecting the skin and mucous membranes				
N/A	N/A	Skin sloughing covering <10% BSA with associated signs†	Skin sloughing covering 10–30% BSA with associated signs†	Death

*Pruritus, burning, and tightness; †Erythema, purpura, epidermal detachment, and mucous membrane detachment.

ADLs, activities of daily living; BSA, body surface area; CTCAE, Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; N/A, not applicable; SJS, Stevens–Johnson syndrome.

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Management of severe cutaneous toxicities associated with EV includes dose reduction and treatment interruption

Management of skin toxicities associated with EV per SmPC*

Management strategy	Grade 1 (mild)	Grade 2 (moderate)		Grade 3 (severe)		Grade 4 (life-threatening)
		Stable/no fever	Worsening/fever	First event	Recurrent event	
EV dose modification	None ¹		Withhold EV until Grade ≤1, then resume at the same/ one level lower dose ¹		Permanently discontinue EV ¹	
Pharmacological intervention	If indicated: topical corticosteroids , topical antibiotics , topical/oral antihistamines ^{1–3}			Treat with systemic corticosteroids ^{2,3}		
	Consider creams/emollients ^{2,3}	Consider anti-infective agents ³				
Referral	None ¹		Consider referral to dermatologist ¹		Admit to hospital for specialised care ³	

For suspected SJS, TEN, or bullous lesions, immediately withhold EV and refer to specialised care¹

*Grading according to the CTCAE.²

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Long-term response to treatment [1/3]



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Imaging

CT scan:
Paraaortic LN,
aortocaval LN
subcentimetre

- CR response
- Continue EV?



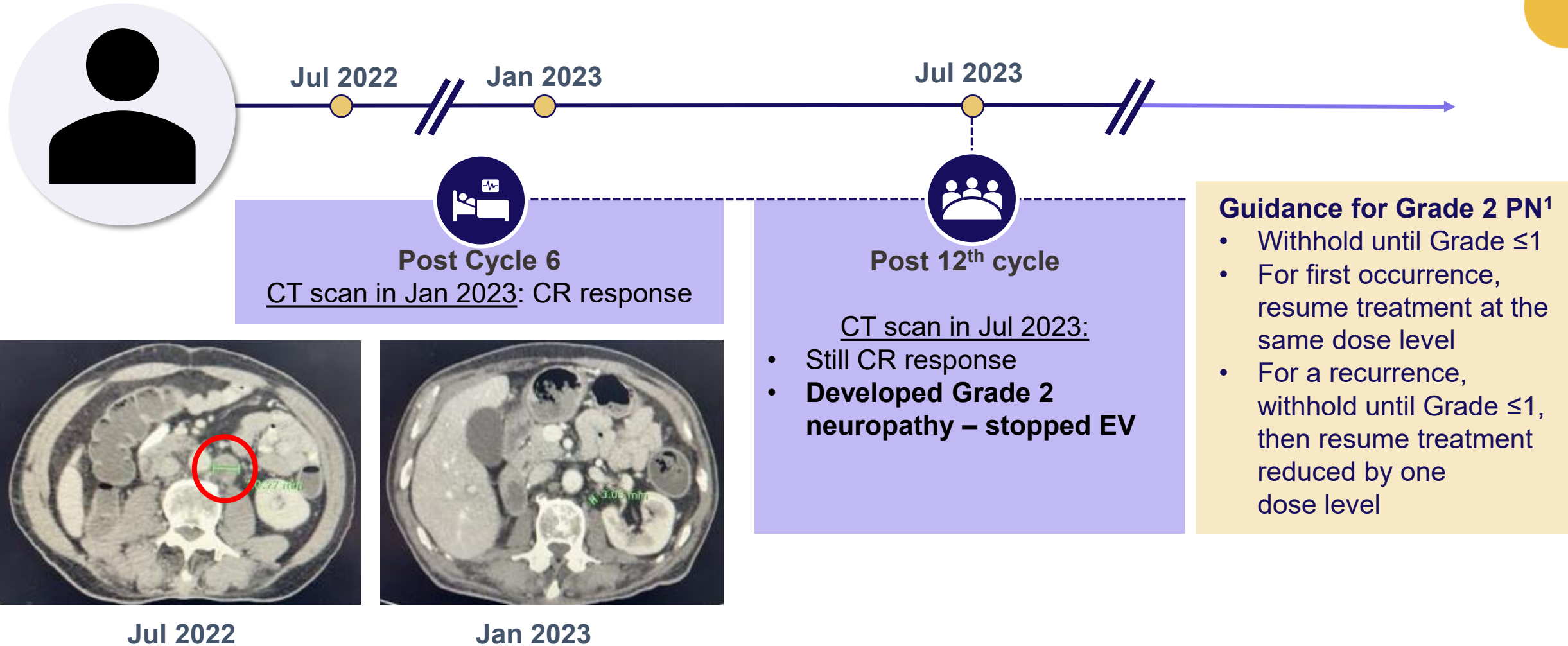
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Long-term response to treatment [2/3]



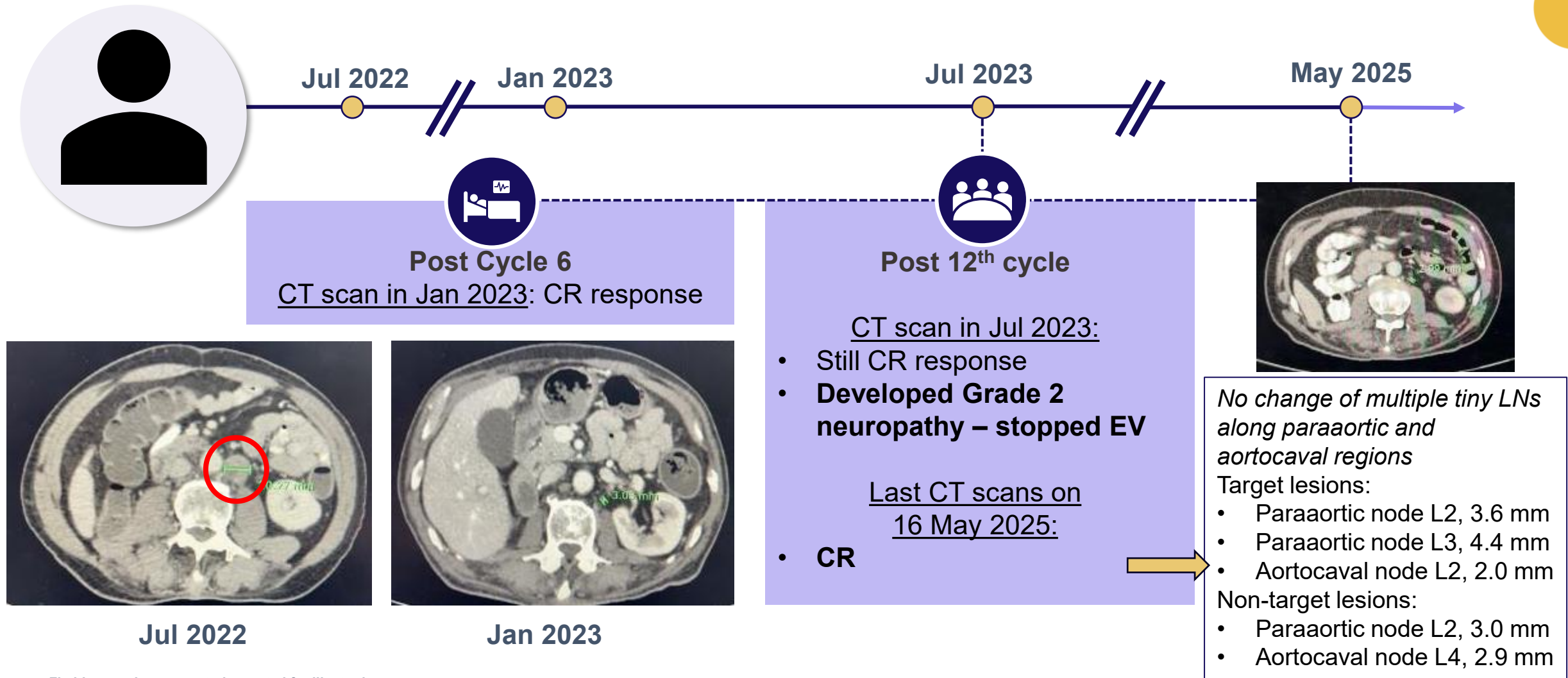
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Long-term response to treatment [3/3]



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Summary



EV was significantly associated with cutaneous toxicities, occurring in 57% of EV-treated patients (including maculopapular rash and pruritus), with 14% of patients experiencing Grade 3–4 reactions. However, proactive management strategies can help to ensure that patients continue to maximise clinical benefits with EV¹



It is important to educate patients about the potential risk and closely monitor patients for the emergence of any skin reaction, such as SJS/TEN, which can be fatal. Patients should be instructed to immediately report the EV-related cutaneous toxicity, especially in the early cycles of treatment, so that it can be managed effectively without requiring treatment discontinuation^{1,2}



Effective communication between patients, HCPs, and specialists should play an active role in the management of AEs to ensure timely identification and effective care³



EV is an effective treatment option for a broad patient population including those with comorbidities and difficult-to-treat cases. Effective management strategies can be utilised to manage AEs, to ensure that patients receive optimal treatment outcomes¹

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Patient case study: Monitoring and management of peripheral neuropathy



Ms. Fatma

- White, female
- **Age: 65 years**
- **ECOG PS: 1**
- **GFR: 54 mL/min**
- **BMI: 22 kg/m²**
- **HbA1c: 5.6 mmol/L**



Lifestyle: Active, no history of smoking or alcohol

Employment status/job: Retired accountant

Family history of cancer: Mother had breast cancer



Comorbidities

- Hypertension



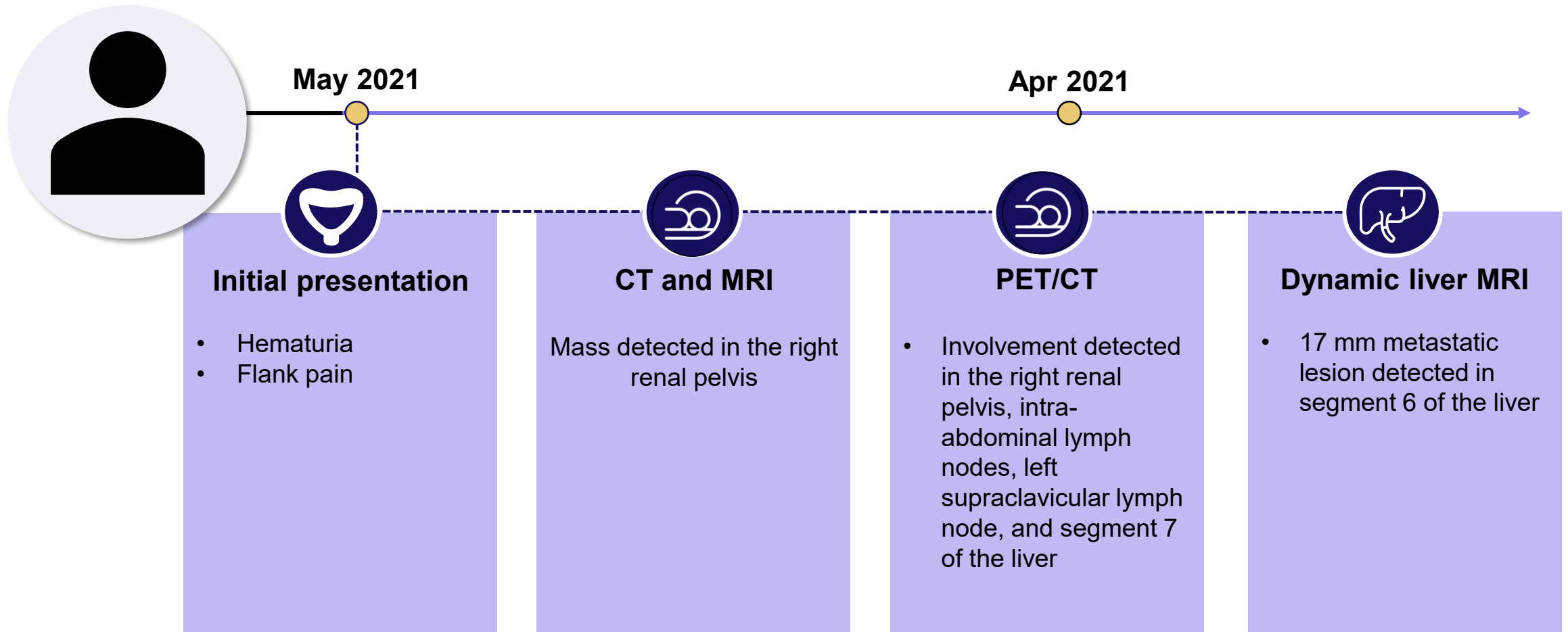
Concomitant medications

- ACE inhibitor

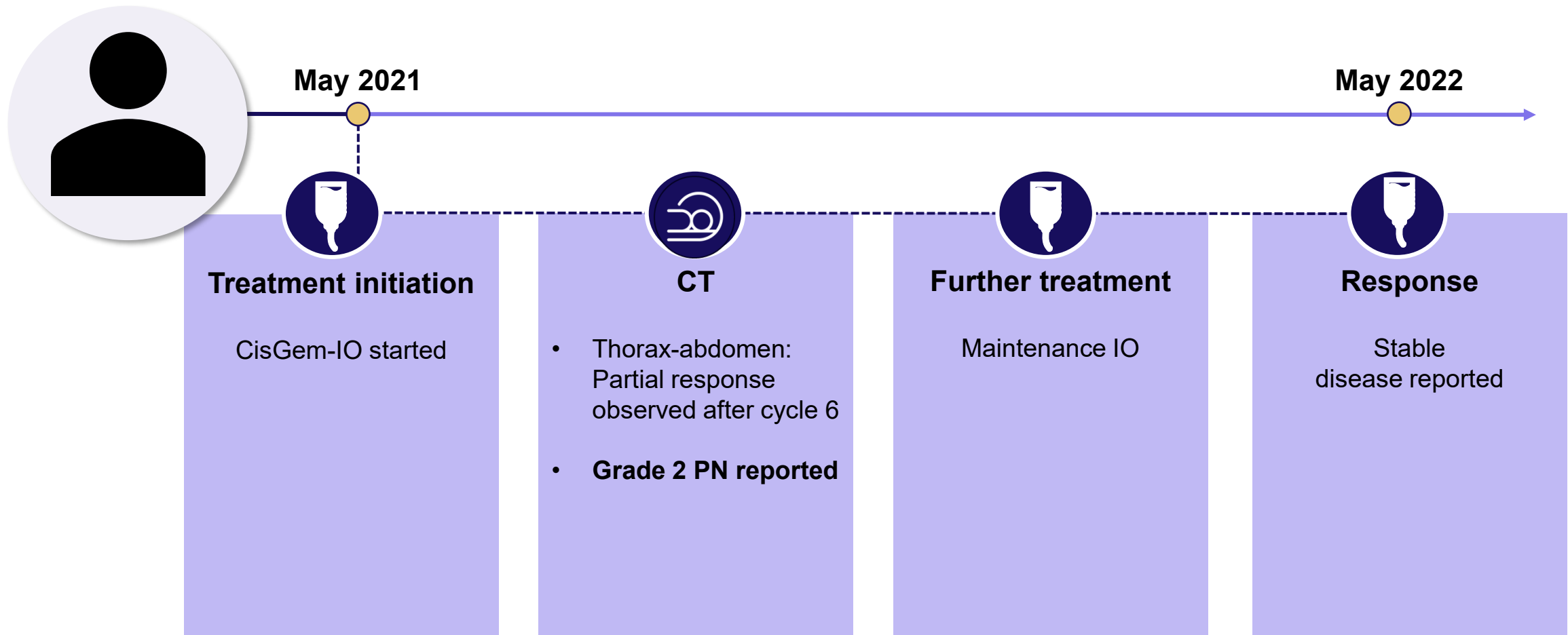


Any other relevant medical history: None

Diagnosis



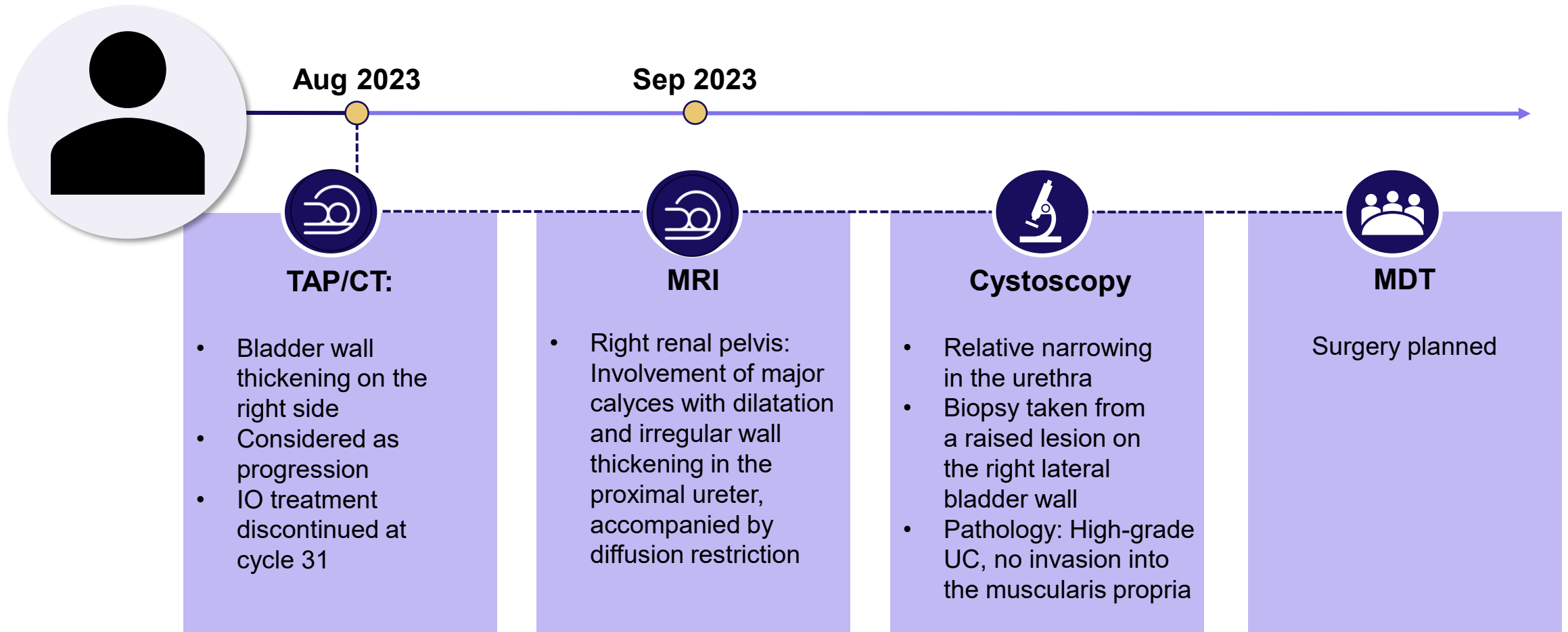
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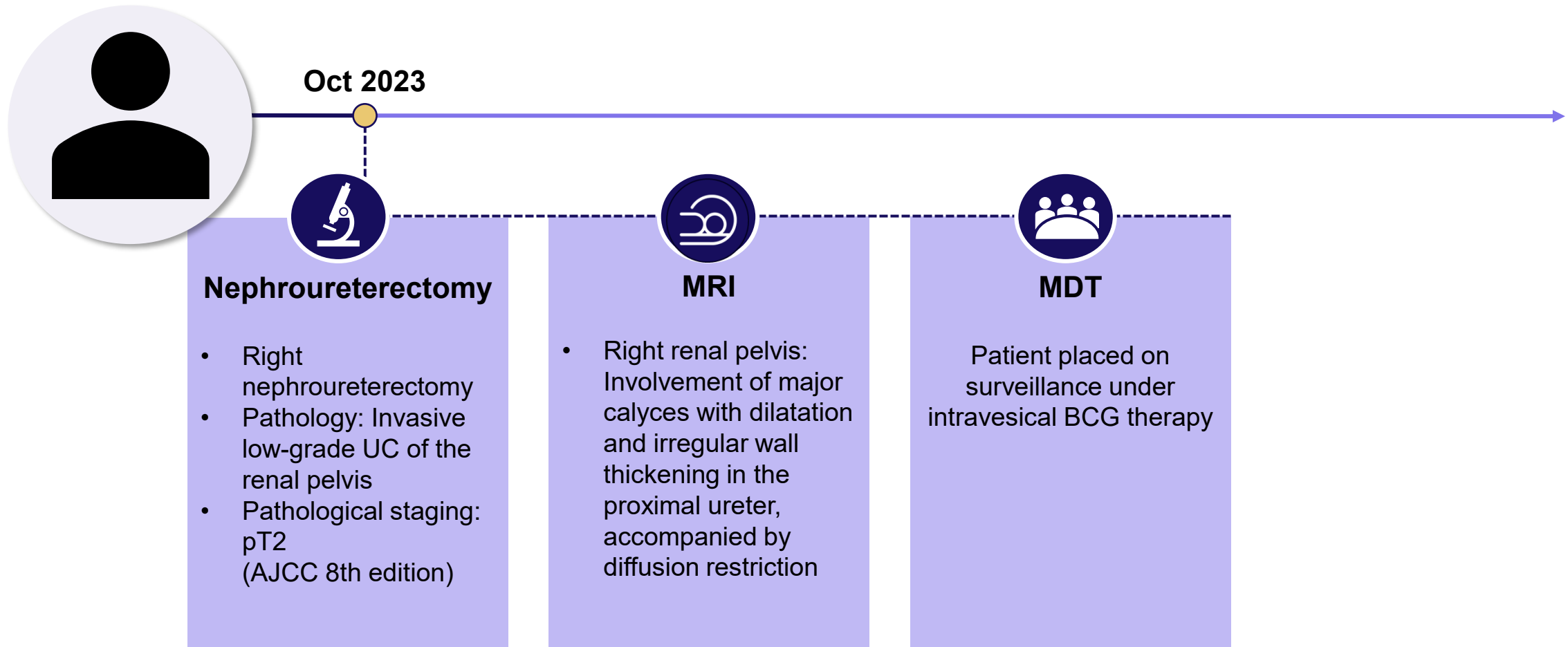
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Cis, cisplatin; CT, computed tomography; Gem, gemcitabine; IO, immunotherapy; PN, peripheral neuropathy.

Response to treatment



Further investigations



Response to treatment [1/3]



Response to treatment [2/3]



PET-CT report summary:

Right kidney/operative bed:

- Multiple nodular soft tissue formations with intense pathological ^{18}F -FDG uptake
- Consistent with local recurrence

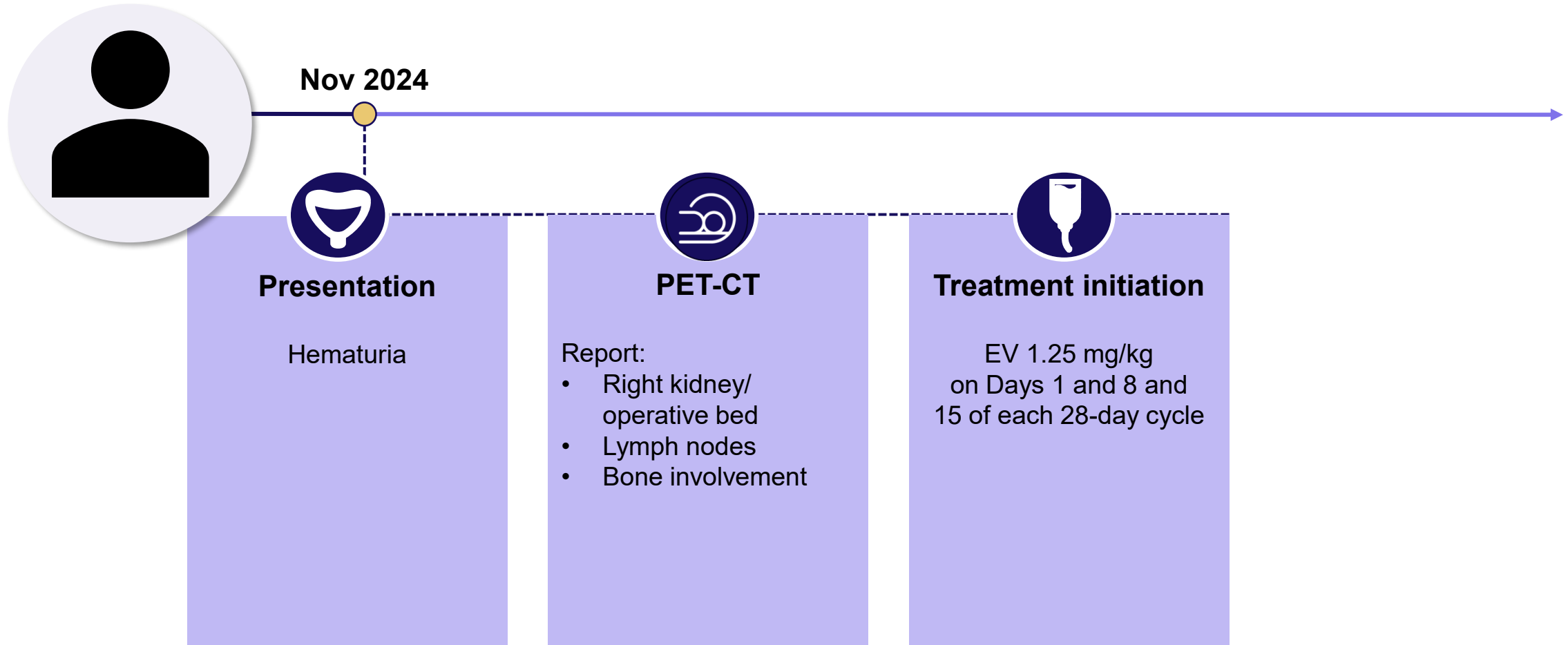
Lymph nodes:

- Bilateral paraaortic, paracaval, interaortocaval, and lumbar lymph node
- Multiple left supraclavicular lymph nodes

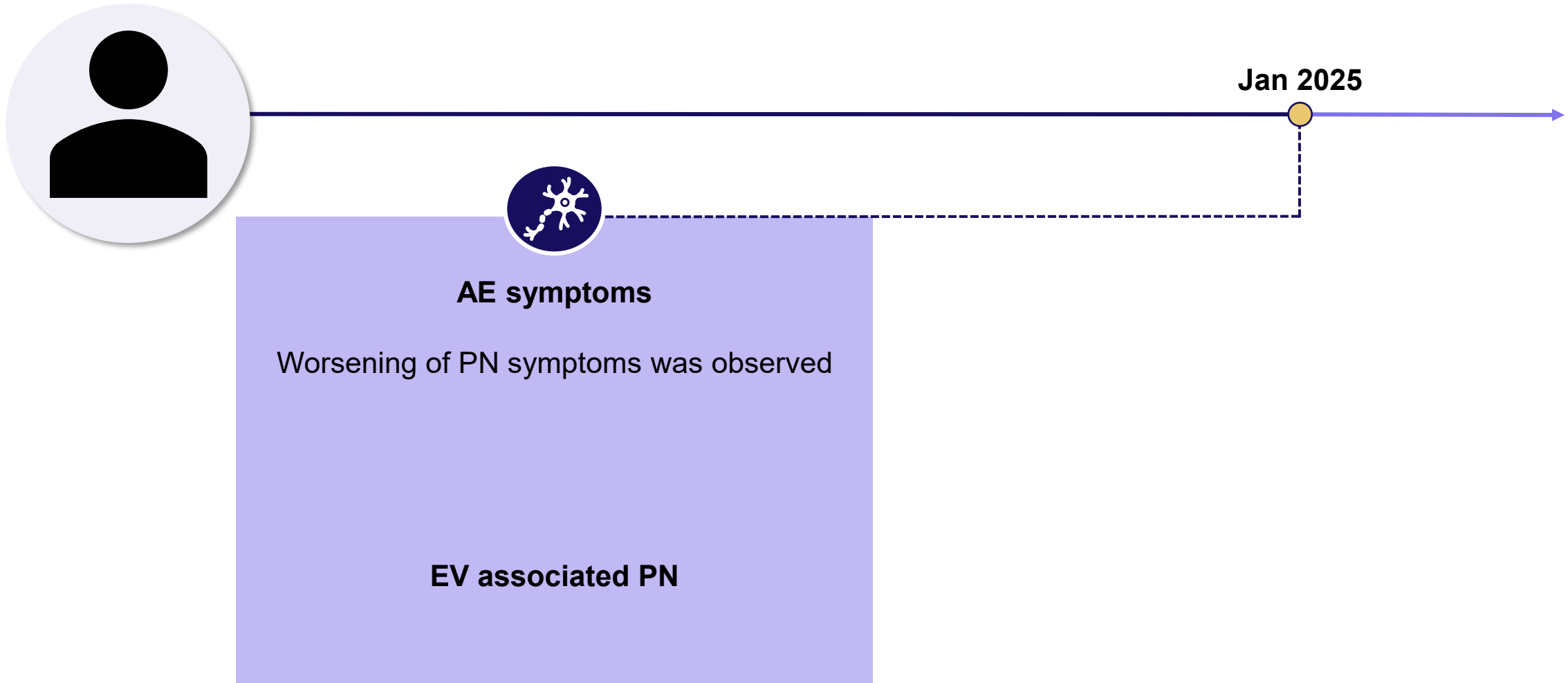
Bone involvement:

- Right half of the thoracic vertebra (T12)
- Consistent with bone metastasis from primary malignancy

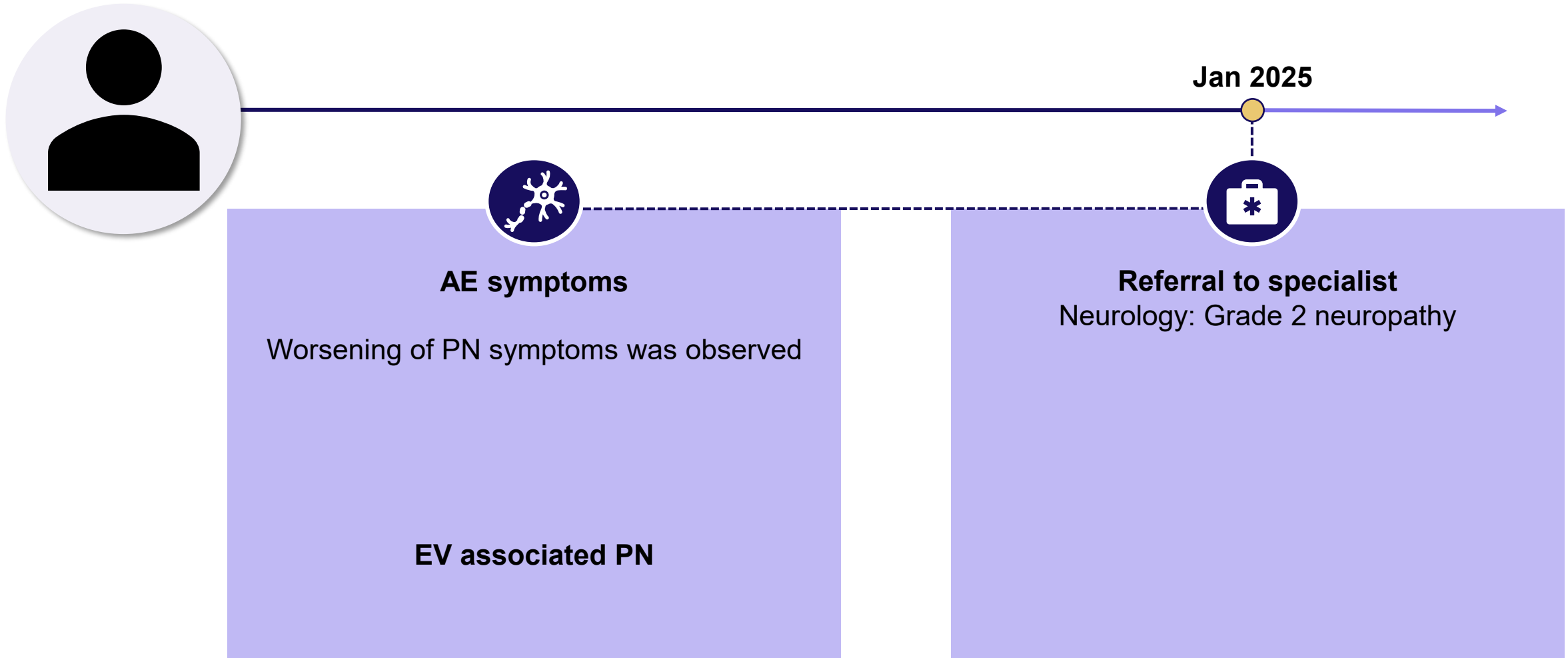
Response to treatment [3/3]



AE presentation and management



AE presentation and management



Question for the audience

How would you approach managing this adverse event?

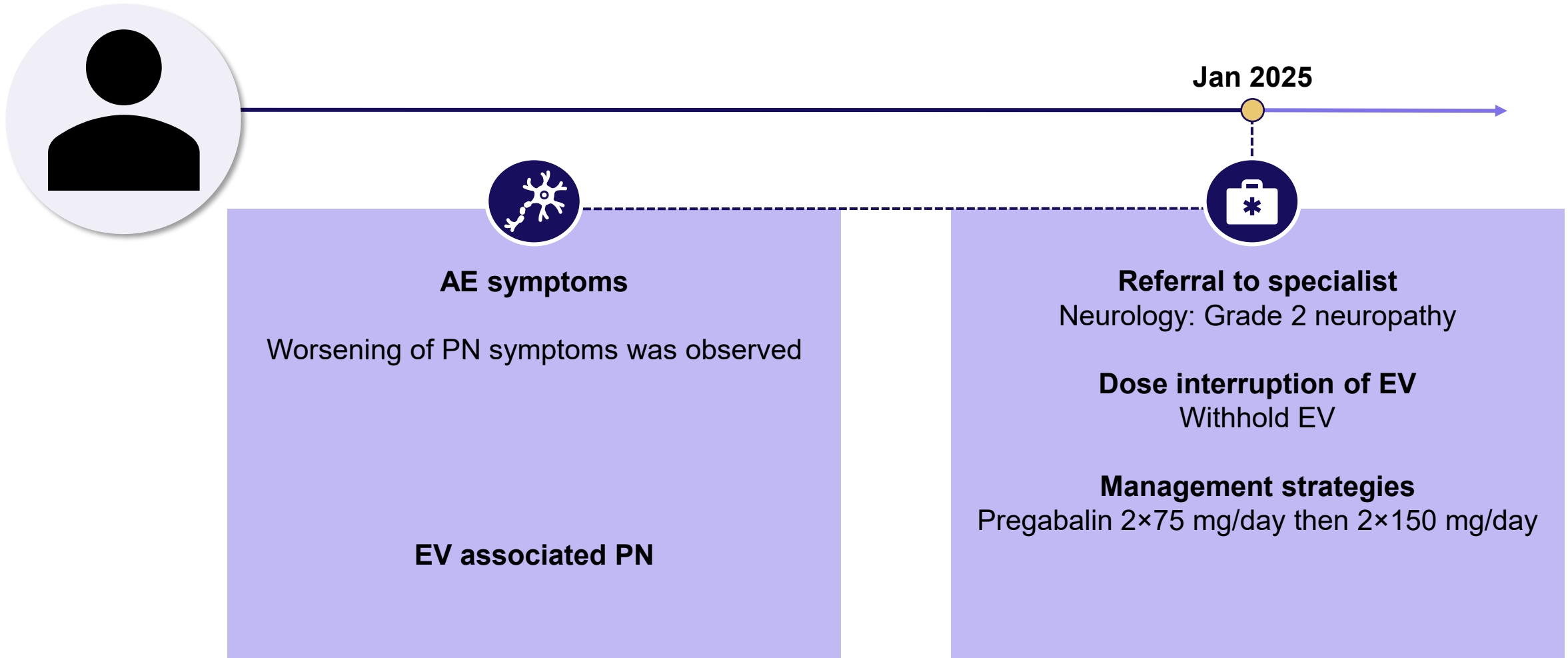
- A Withhold EV until Grade ≤ 1 and resume at same dose**
- B Withhold EV until Grade ≤ 1 and resume at reduced dose**
- C Permanently discontinue EV**
- D Other**

Question for the audience

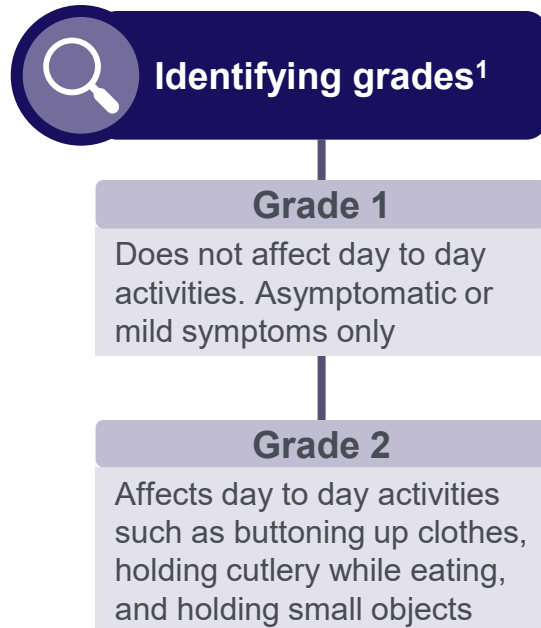
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AE presentation and management



Peripheral neuropathy: Classification



CTCAE (neurotoxicity)¹

AE	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	Asymptomatic	Moderate symptoms; limiting instrumental ADL [*]	Severe symptoms; limiting self-care ADL [†]	Life-threatening consequences; urgent intervention indicated

^{*}Instrumental ADLs include preparing meals, shopping, using the telephone, and managing money; [†]Self-care ADLs include bathing, dressing, using the toilet, and taking medications.

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Peripheral neuropathy is a common AE associated with EV

Incidence of PN associated with EV¹

Across clinical studies of 793 patients receiving EV as monotherapy, PN occurred in 53% of patients

- 5% of patients experienced severe PN (Grade 3 or 4)
- Median time to onset of Grade ≥ 2 PN was 5 months

PN is a common AE associated with EV

Incidence of peripheral sensory neuropathy in EV-301^{*2,3}

TRAEs, n (%) [*]	EV (n=296)		Chemotherapy (n=291)	
	Any grade	Grade ≥ 3	Any grade	Grade ≥ 3
Any AE	278 (93.9)	155 (52.4)	267 (91.8)	147 (50.5)
Peripheral sensory neuropathy	103 (34.8)	15 (5.1)	63 (21.6)	6 (2.1)

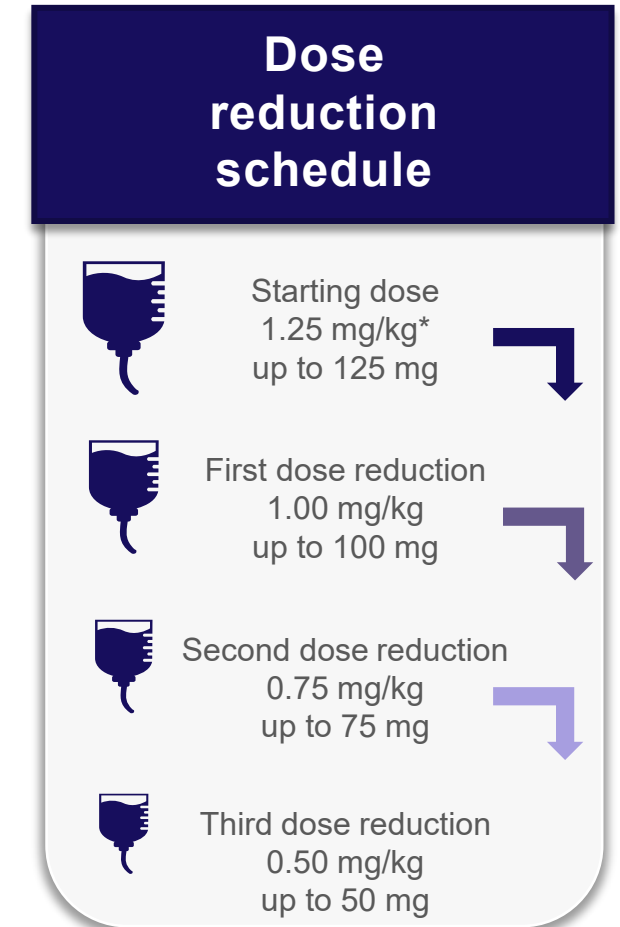
^{*}Median follow-up of 24 months.²

AE, adverse event; EV, enfortumab vedotin; PN, peripheral neuropathy; TRAE, treatment-related adverse event.

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SmPC management guidance

AESI	Severity	Dose modification
Peripheral neuropathy	Grade ≥3	Permanently discontinue
	Grade 2	- Withhold until Grade ≤1 - For first occurrence, resume treatment at the same dose level - For a recurrence, withhold until Grade ≤1, then resume treatment reduced by one dose level



*Up to a maximum of 125 mg for patients weighing ≥100 kg.

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AE management



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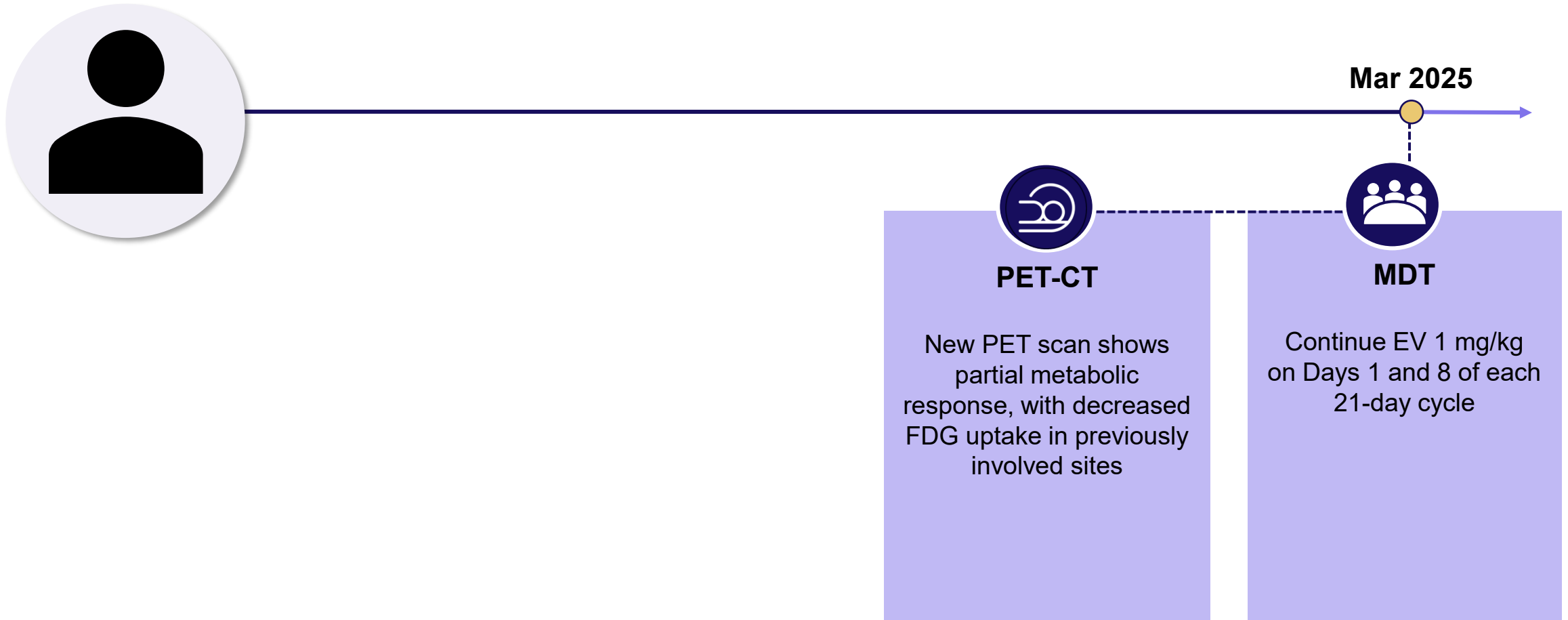


PN returned to Grade ≤ 1

Management strategies:
Continue pregabalin 2×75 mg/day

Subsequent treatment:
EV 1 mg/kg
on Days 1 and 8 of each 21-day cycle

Long-term response to treatment



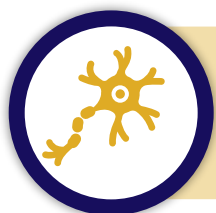
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Case summary



Patient experienced recurrent upper tract UC, post chemotherapy, IO, and nephroureterectomy. The patient then began treatment with EV after development of nodal and bone metastases

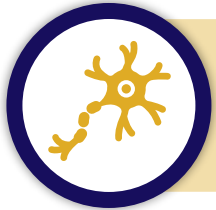


A partial metabolic response was observed on follow-up PET-CT. The patient's pre-existing PN worsened but was resolved, and treatment continued with supportive care



EV demonstrated clinical benefits and was tolerable with appropriate dose modification and AE management, despite comorbidities and prior therapies

Summary



PN is a frequent, dose-limiting toxicity associated with EV use; however, proactive management strategies can help to ensure that patients continue to maximize clinical benefits with EV¹



Early recognition of treatment-emergent PN and prompt intervention with the use of dose modifications provides the best chance for resolution, without impacting the ability to maintain response to EV. There are no medications specifically recommended for managing EV-induced PN, favoring non-pharmacological interventions^{1,2}



Effective communication between patients, HCPs, and specialists should play an active role in the management of AEs to ensure timely identification and effective care³



EV is an effective treatment option for a broad patient population including those with comorbidities and difficult-to-treat cases. Effective management strategies can be utilized to manage AEs, to ensure that patients receive optimal treatment outcomes¹

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EV as first-line therapy is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with locally advanced or metastatic urothelial cancer. Combination therapy with pembrolizumab.

EV as monotherapy is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with locally advanced or metastatic urothelial cancer who have previously received a programmed death receptor-1 or programmed death-ligand 1 inhibitor, and have received a platinum-containing chemotherapy

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Patient case study: Ocular toxicities



- Male
- **Age:** 62 years
- **ECOG PS:** 0
- **GFR:** 65 mL/min



Lifestyle: Active smoker, obese



Comorbidities:

- Hypercholesterolemia



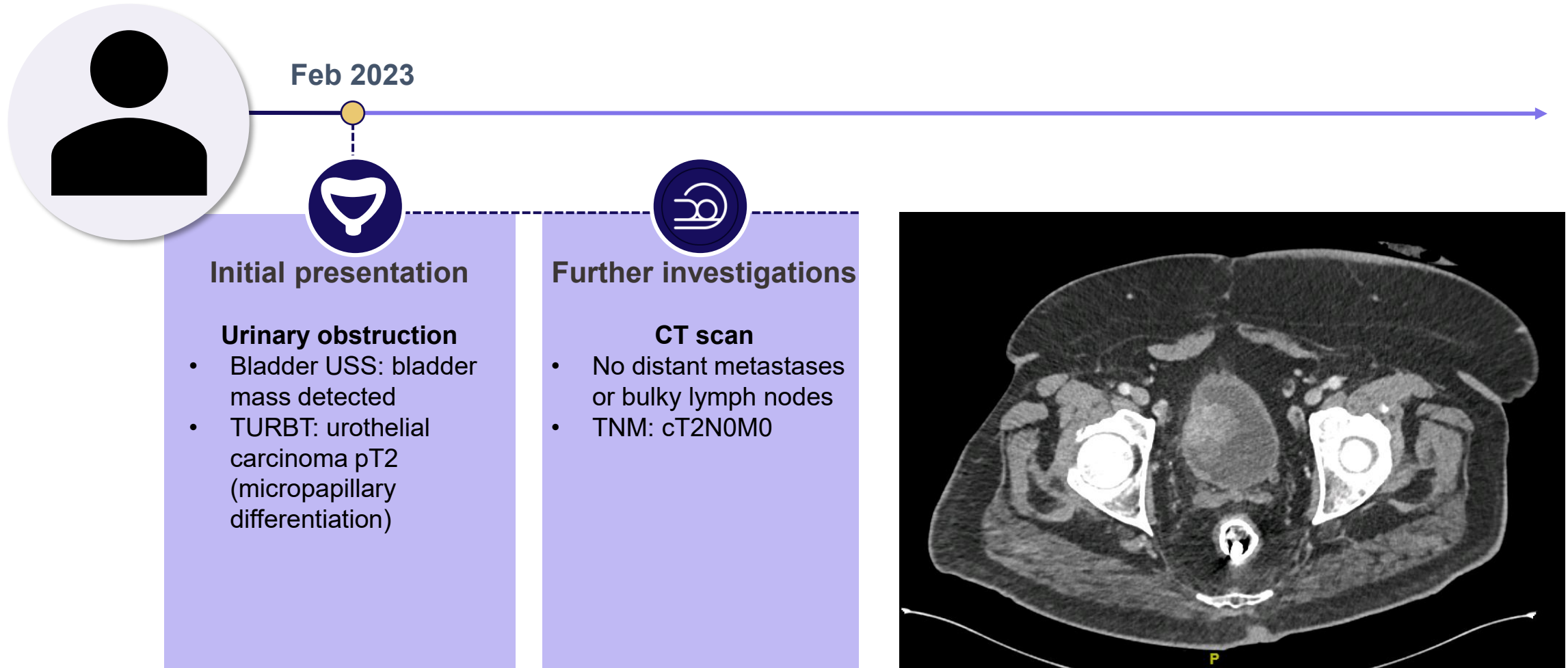
Any other relevant medical history:

- Allergic to penicillin
- Moderate COPD

Concomitant medications:

- Statins for hypercholesterolemia

Diagnosis

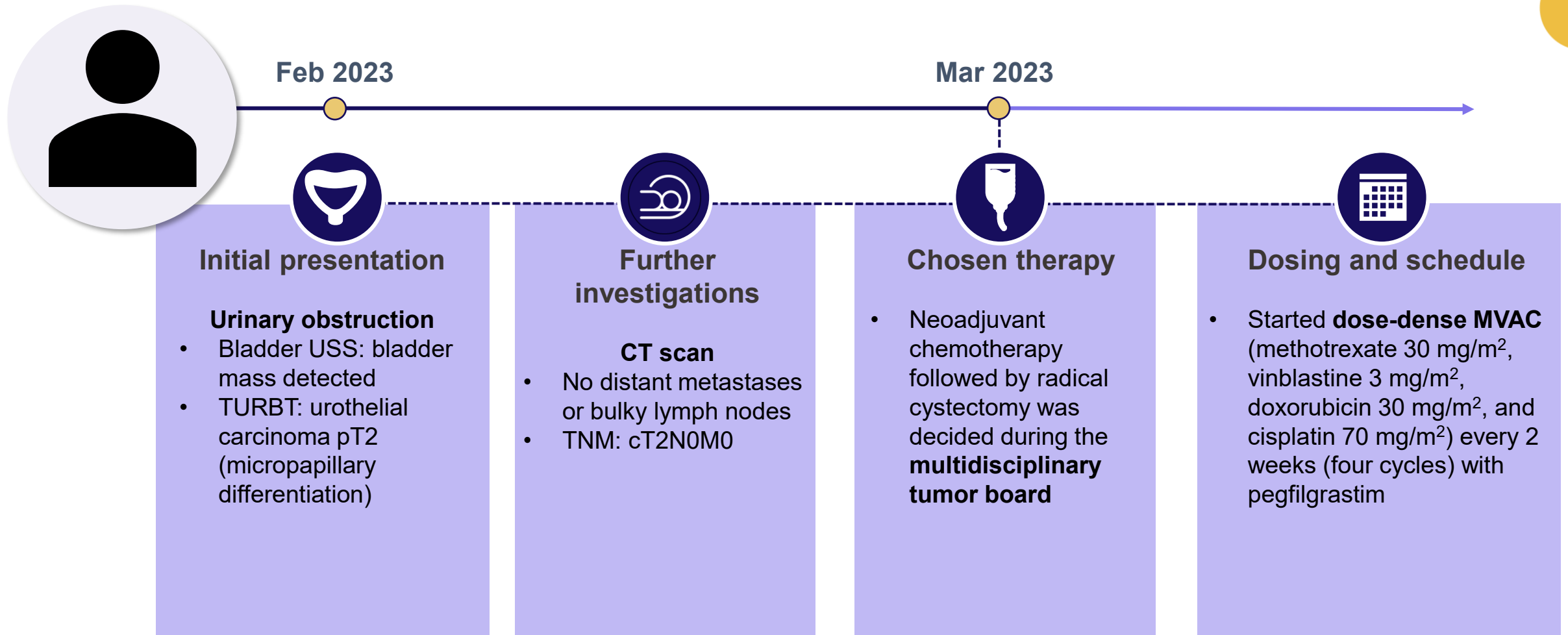


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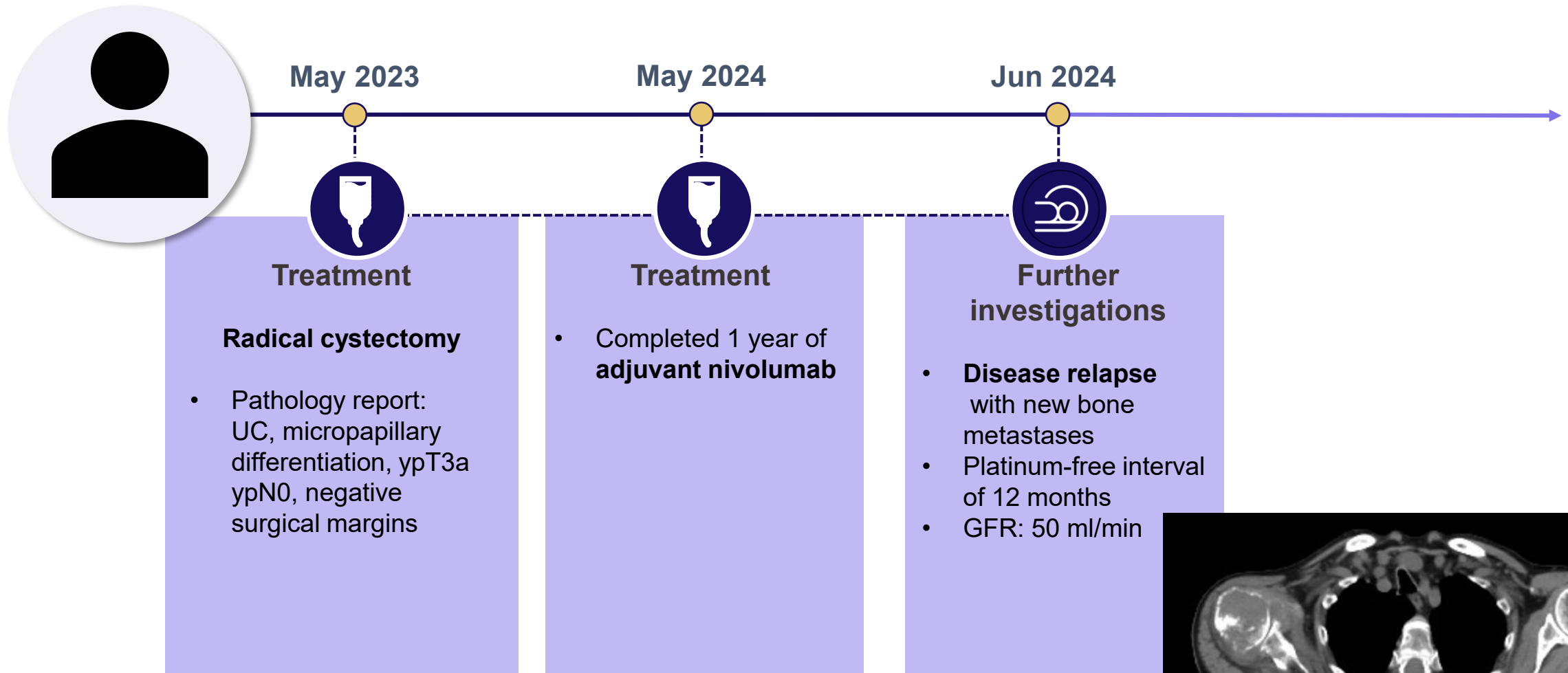
Treatment initiation, dosage, and schedule



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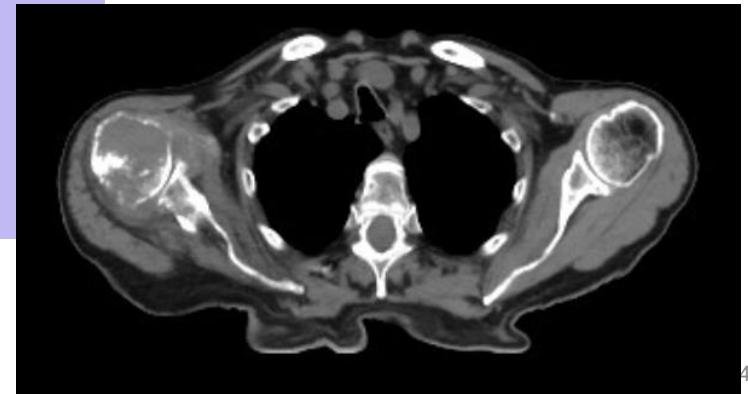
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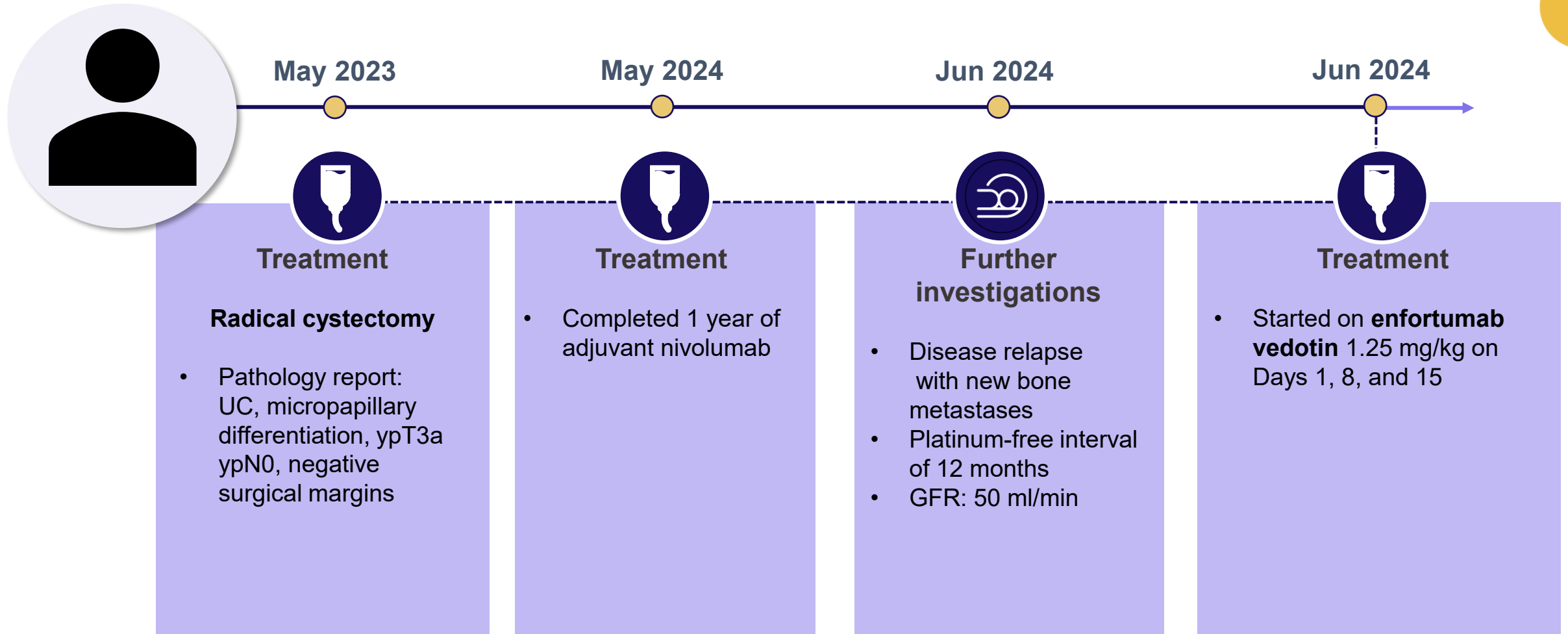
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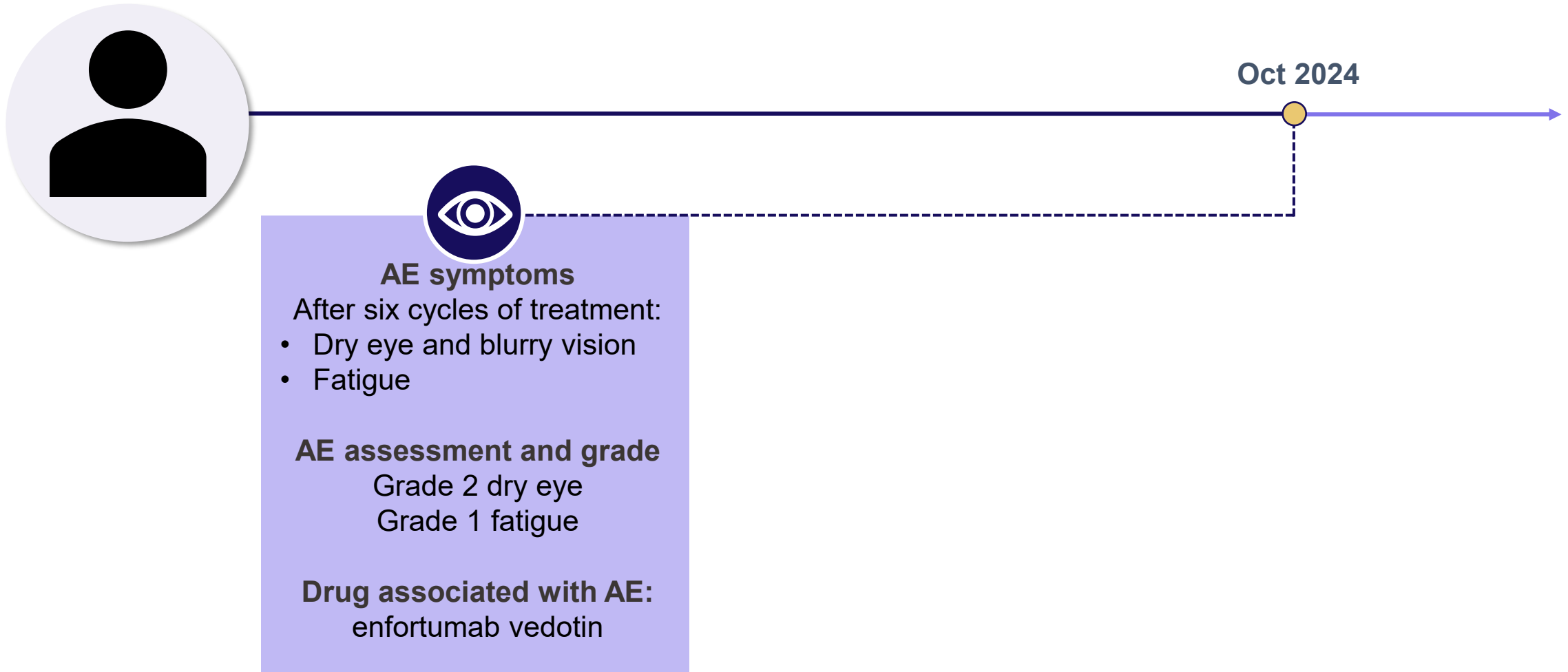
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AE presentation and management: Ocular toxicity



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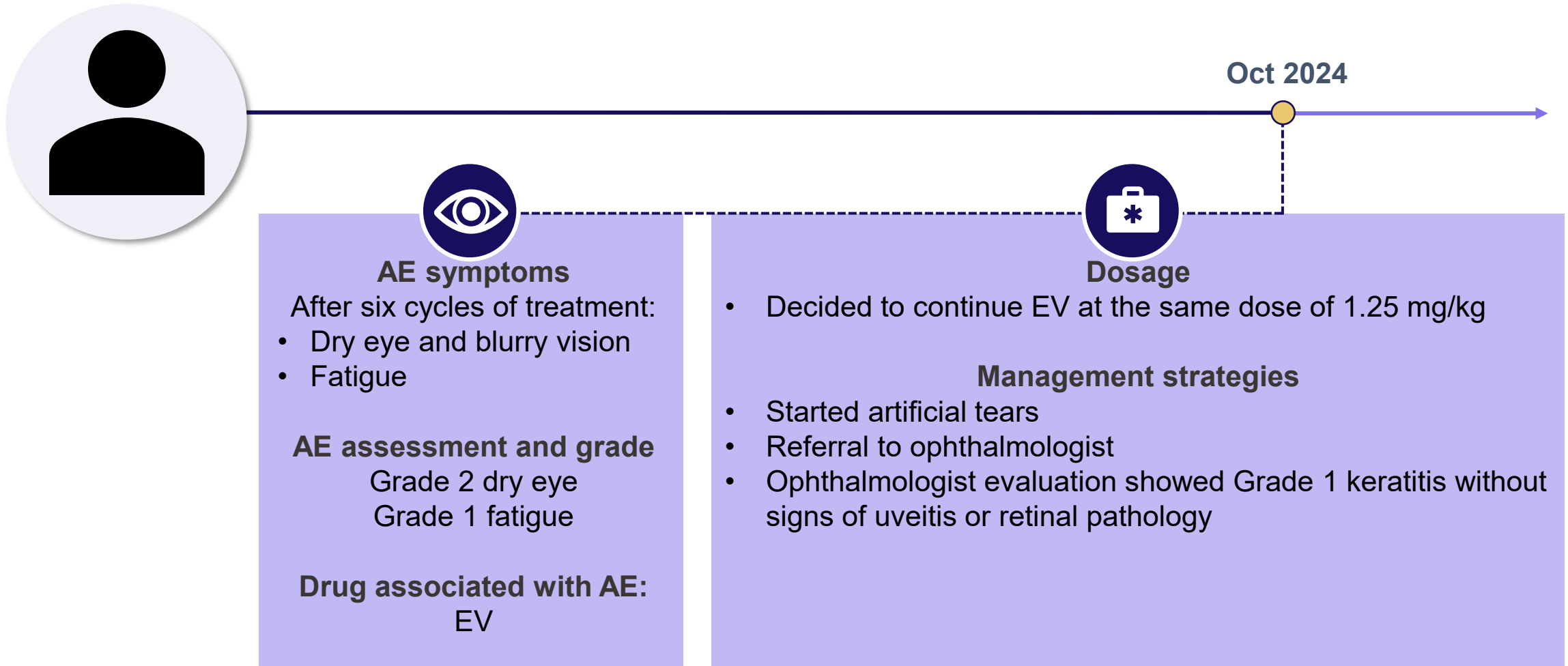
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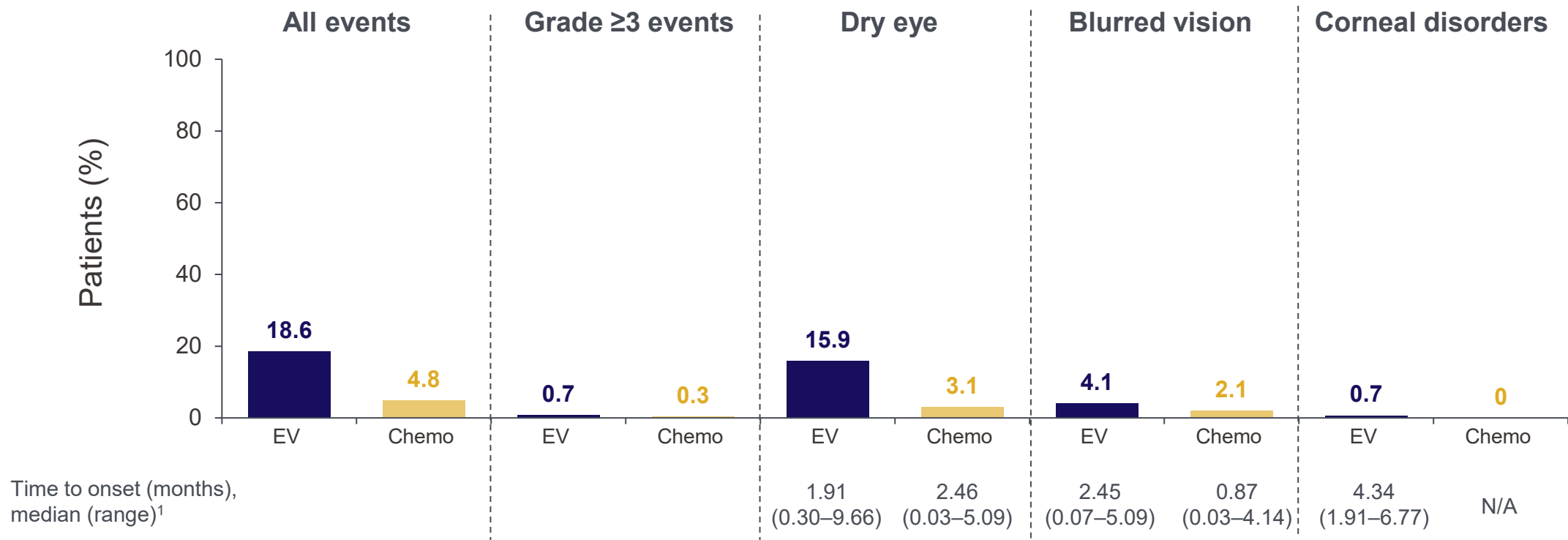
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AE presentation and management: Ocular toxicity



In EV-301, ocular AEs were mostly mild to moderate in severity, with dry eye being the most common^{1,2}

Incidence of treatment-related ocular AEs by type^{1*}



Ocular toxicity also occurs with other ADCs and is considered to be due to on- and off-target delivery of cytotoxic payload to ocular tissues³

Median follow-up: 11.1 months. Analysis of the safety population (all patients who received any amount of study drug).⁴

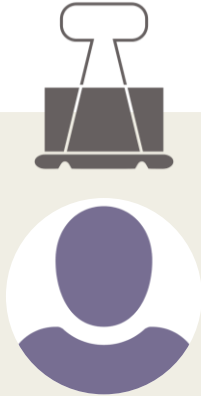
*TRAEs are AEs for which there is a reasonable possibility that the event was caused by study treatment, according to the study investigator.⁴

ADC, antibody–drug conjugate; AE, adverse event; chemo, chemotherapy; EV, enfortumab vedotin; N/A, not applicable; TRAE, treatment-related adverse event.

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Risk factors for the development of ocular AEs



Risk factors for dry eye¹

- Older age

Risk factors for keratitis¹

- Contact lens use



Pre-existing ocular disorders are not a contraindication to EV²



Ocular AEs may be due to the **robust ocular vascular supply** leading to high delivery of cytotoxic MMAE, and **rapidly dividing** cell types within the eye^{3,4}

Specialists can support monitoring and management of eye health^{1,2}



Before initiation of EV (baseline)*

Be aware of risk factors including **pre-existing** ocular disease¹



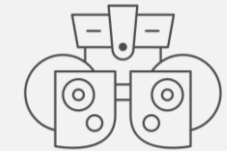
Routine monitoring

Monitor for ocular disorders²
Ensure the patient's eye care professional is aware of their EV therapy¹



Management

Consider **artificial tears** for prophylaxis of dry eye^{1,2}



Ophthalmological evaluation

Consider **referral** if ocular symptoms do not resolve or worsen^{1,2}

*Baseline and routine eye examinations are not required for treatment with EV.¹
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Dry eye is well characterized with clear signs and symptoms



Results in **insufficient lubrication to the tear film** leading to disruption of the ocular surface¹

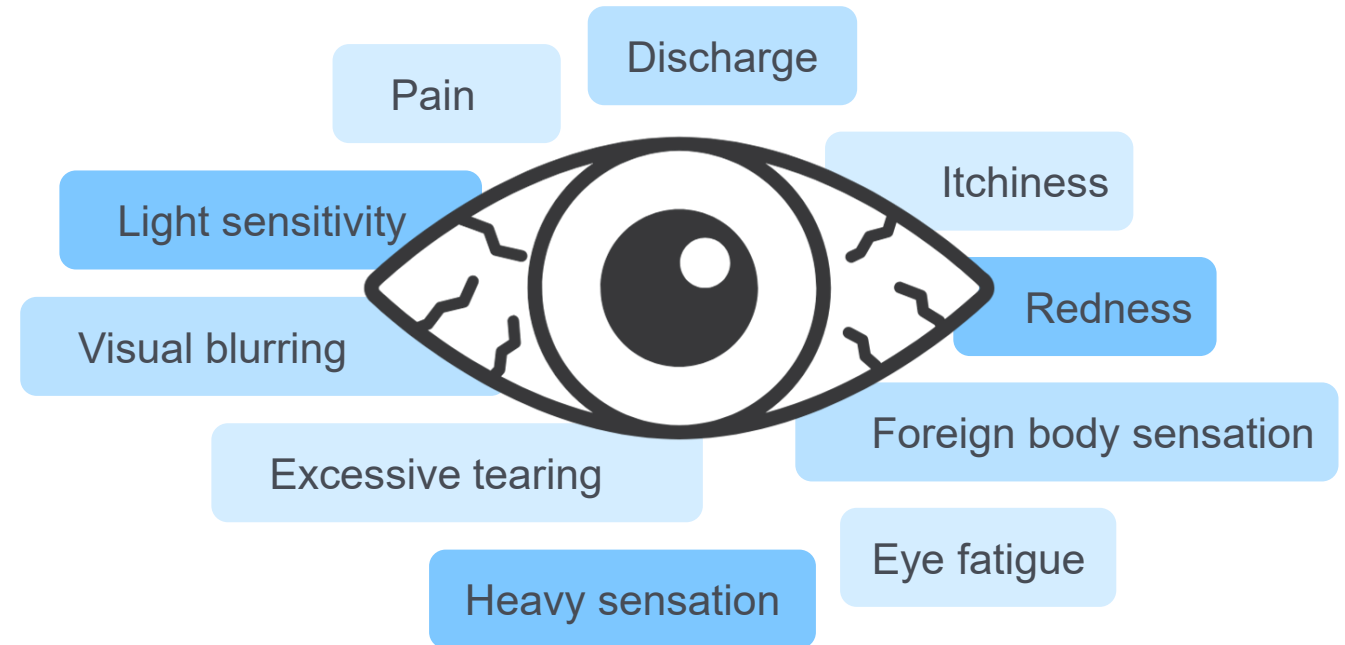


Commonly presents as intermittent or fluctuating **blurry vision**¹



Can lead to ocular **discomfort**, visual **defects** and **blindness** if untreated¹

Signs and symptoms of dry eye^{1,2}



Patient education on the signs and symptoms of ocular AEs is vital for prompt identification and reducing the risk and severity of AEs³

Symptoms and visual acuity are used to grade dry eye

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3
	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	Symptomatic
	Clinical or diagnostic observations only	Moderate decrease in VA (BCVA 20/40 and better, or ≤ 3 lines decreased vision from known baseline)	Marked decrease in VA (BCVA worse than 20/40, or >3 lines decreased vision from known baseline, up to 20/200). Activities of daily living involving self-care are limited
	Symptoms relieved by lubricants		

Summary



Ocular AEs with EV are mostly mild to moderate and usually consist of dry eye and blurry vision.^{1,2} Considering risk factors (use of contact lenses) and taking prophylactic measures (use of artificial tears) can help to reduce the risk of developing ocular AEs^{3,4}



Guidance is available in the SmPC to support patients in achieving optimal treatment outcomes through appropriate management of ocular AEs with EV^{3,4}



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