

Symptom Burden in Late-Stage Breast Cancer Patients Treated with CDK Inhibitors Using the PRO-CTCAE

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OBJECTIVES

- Cyclin-Dependent Kinase Inhibitors (CDKI) are an important advancement in the treatment of Metastatic Breast Cancer.
- Barriers to clinician adoption, such as tolerability concerns, may limit front line use.
- The objective of this study is to use electronic patient-reported outcome (ePRO) and a remote symptom monitoring platform to evaluate symptom differences among late-stage breast cancer patients with and without CDKI treatment

METHODS

- Carevive's Patient Reported Outcomes Mobile Platform (PROmpt®) was used by late-stage breast cancer patients for reporting symptoms between September 2020 and June 2022.
- Human epidermal growth factor receptor (HER2) positive patients were excluded, leaving a total of 84 patients.
- Weekly survey results were used to assess symptom incidence at baseline, then weeks 4, 8, 12 and 16. Questions derived from the PRO-CTCAE assessed severity, frequency, and interference for 15 symptoms: Anxiety, Constipation, Decreased Appetite, Diarrhea, General Pain, Insomnia, Nausea, Numbness and Tingling, Shortness of Breath, Vomiting, Fatigue, Mouth/Throat Sores, Muscle Pain, Rash, and Sadness.
- Baseline demographics and characteristics were assessed at baseline and stratified by CDKI use.
- The association of CDKI's with symptoms in latestage breast cancer patients was examined using GEE (Generalized Estimating Equation) logistic regression model after adjusting for age.

RESULTS

36%

Among late-stage breast cancer patients, 36% received CDKI's.

59

Mean age was 59, and 56% were white.

12 of 15

After adjusting for age, the odds of experiencing 12 of 15 symptoms assessed were comparable.

84%

For general pain, odds were twofold higher in CDKI patients. Odds of fatigue and muscle pain, however, were 84% and 87% lower, respectively.

Table 1: Demographics

Characteristics	Overall (N=84)	CDK inhibitors (N=30)	No CDK inhibitors (N=54)
Age	59.29±11.49	61.23±11.96	58.20±11.20
Ethnicity			
Hispanic or Latino	3(3.57)	0(0.0)	0(0.0)
Non Hispanic or Latino	48(57.14)	19(63.33)	19(63.33)
Unknown	33(39.29)	11(36.67)	11(36.67)
Race			
Asian	2(2.38)	1(3.33)	1(1.92)
Black or African American	21(25.0)	7(23.33)	14(26.92)
White	56(66.67)	22(73.33)	34(65.38)
American Indian or Alaska Native	2(2.38)	0(0.0)	2(3.85)
Other	1(1.20)	0(0.0)	1(1.92)
Missing	2(2.38)	0(0.0)	2(3.85)

Table 2:

Association between CDK Inhibitors and symptoms, adjusting for age

	Exposure: CDK inhibitors Vs No CDK inhibitors	
Outcome	Odds Ratio	P-value
Presence of symptoms	0.81	0.59
Anxiety	0.37	0.26
Constipation	0.91	0.87
Decreased Appetite	1.26	0.59
Diarrhea	0.69	0.41
General Pain	2.19	0.04
Insomnia	0.65	0.30
Nausea	1.96	0.13
Numbness and Tingling	0.55	0.22
Shortness of Breath	0.49	0.17
Vomiting	2.49	0.09
Fatigue	0.16	0.02
Mouth/Throat Sores	0.25	0.20
Muscle Pain	0.13	0.05
Rash	0.22	0.17
Sadness	0.37	0.38
Worst Pain	0.67	0.63

CONCLUSIONS

- This study found that only one-third of late-stage breast cancer patients were prescribed CDKI's.
- Symptom experience was overall comparable between groups.
- Overall study results support tolerability of CDK inhibitors in late-stage patients, and furthermore highlights how ePRO and remote symptom monitoring solutions can support management of patient symptoms while on treatment.

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