Supplementary data

The DIAMORFOSIS (DIAgnosis and Management Of lung canceR and FibrOSIS) survey. International survey and call for consensus.

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Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) is a debilitating fibrotic lung disease with a steady increase in both incidence and mortality. In addition, the clinical course of patients with IPF is often complicated by major comorbidities including lung cancer. Despite abundant epidemiologic and mechanistic links between IPF and lung cancer there is considerable lack of knowledge on the diagnostic and therapeutic management of these patients.

To this end, the ERS Assembly 12 (Interstitial Lung Diseases), took the initiative to collaborate with Assembly 11 (Thoracic Oncology) and Assembly 8 (Thoracic Surgery and Lung Transplantation) to create and launch a joint-survey, namely DIAMORFOSIS (DIAgnosis and Management Of lung canceR and FibrOSIS), in which we invite you to participate by clicking in the following link and answering the questions included.

The main objectives of this survey are:

- To identify variations in diagnostic and management strategies across different hospitals and institutions
- To raise awareness on the association between the two conditions
- To provide rationale for a consensus statement for an improved, homogeneous and standardized approach

The estimated time of completion is less than 10 minutes. We greatly appreciate your time and we anticipate your valuable feedback. Results of the survey will be exploited as a publication in an ERS-journal and/or abstract in upcoming ERS and ATS international conferences. Names of the respondents will be included as collaborators in the acknowledgement section of the manuscript.

1. In which country do you practice?
2. What is your medical specialty?
Pulmonologist
Oncologist
Thoracic surgeon
Anesthesiologist
Pulmo-oncologist
Radio-oncologist
Other (please specify)
3. How many years of experience do you have as a specialist?
Less than 5
5-10
11-15
16-20
More than 20
4. What is your hospital setting?
University Hospital
Non-university hospital
Private institution/practice
5. How many patients with IPF do you treat per year?
<10
10-20
20-50
More than 50
Unknown

6. What is the incidence of lung cancer in patients with IPF?
1-5%
5-10%
10-20%
>20%
7. How often do you involve a multi-disciplinary team on the management of patients with IPF and lung cancer?
Always
Sometimes
Never
8. What diagnostic modality do you use to screen patients with IPF for lung cancer (more than one answers possible)?
Regular low dose HRCT scan
Regular CXR
HRCT scan in case of symptoms
Tumor markers (Ca19/9, CA125, CEA)
No screening
Other (please specify)
9. What is the most common histologic subtype of lung cancer in patients with IPF?
NSCLC-Adenocarcinoma
NSCLC-Squamous cell
NSCLC- other
Small cell
I don't know
None of the above
10. What is the most common anatomical location for lung cancer in patients with IPF?
Upper lobes
Middle lobe or linaula

Lower lobes
I don't know
11. What is the median latency time (months) between IPF and lung cancer diagnosis in your experience?
0 (synchronous diagnosis)
<12
12-24
24-36
>36
Unknown
12. What percentage of patients with IPF present with other types of cancer (non-lung cancer)?
<1%
1-5%
5-10%
10-20%
Unknown
Other (please specify)
13. Which is the most common type of malignancy other than lung cancer occurring in patients with IPF?
Breast cancer
Colon cancer
Prostate cancer
Hematologic malignancies (excluding MDS)
Liver cancer
Renal cancer
Urinary bladder cancer
Unknown

Other (please specify)
14. Do you agree with the following statement: moderate to severe IPF is an absolute contraindication to radiotherapy or chemoradiotherapy in locally advanced NSCLC.
Strongly agree
Agree
I am not sure
Disagree
Strongly disagree
I don't know
15. Do you consider any of the following treatments for advanced stage NSCLC an absolute contraindication in moderate to severe IPF (more than one answer possible)
Platinum based chemotherapy
Docetaxel
Immunotherapy
Tyrosine kinase inhibitors
Bevacizumab
None of the above
I don't know
Other (please specify)
16. Do you continue anti-fibrotic treatment (pirfenidone or nintedanib) when a patient is diagnosed with lung cancer (any stage)?
Yes
No
Other (please specify)
17. Which safety precautions do you apply to patients with IPF and non-small cell lung cancer undergoing surgical lung interventions?
Low tidal volume
Avoidance of high fraction of inspired oxygen

Minimal perioperative administration of fluids
Stop antifibrotic drugs
Continuation of antifibrotic drugs
Other (please specify)
18. How would you treat a patient with advanced IPF (DLCO<35%, FVC<50%, and otherwise operable non-small cell lung cancer nodule (TNM stage I-II)?
surgery
stereotactic radiotherapy
palliative care
doublet platinum ± bevacizumab
Immunotherapy
Targeted therapy
Antifibrotics
Other (please specify)
19. How would you treat a patient with advanced IPF (DLCO<35%, FVC<50%) and metastatic NSCLC (TNM IV) ?
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Immunotherapy i.e. PDL1 inhibitors
Targeted therapy
Antifibrotics
Other (please specify)
21. What would it be your next diagnostic step in a patient with mild-to-moderate IPF (DLCO>35%, FVC>50%) with a central nodular lesion of 20 mm and mediastinal lymphadenopathy?
Monitor the patient with HRCT scan every 3-6 months
Perform PET CT scan and do not change your routine follow-up work if negative
Perform PET CT scan and if positive then apply endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial needle biopsy (EBUS-TBNB)
None of the above
Other (please specify)
22. What would it be your next diagnostic step in a patient with severe IPF (DLCO<35%, FVC<50%) with a central nodular lesion of 20mm and mediastinal lymphadenopathy?
Monitor the patient with HRCT scan every 3-6 months
Perform PET CT scan and do not change your routine follow-up work if negative
Perform PET CT scan and if positive then apply endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial needle biopsy (EBUS-TBNB)
Perform surgical lung biopsy (VATS) and resection without histological proof prior to surgery
None of the above
Other (please specify)
23. Do you think a consensus statement for the diagnosis and management of patients with IPF and lung cancer is necessary?
Yes
No
24. Other points that are missing and considered to be necessary
25. Please provide your personal contact details (non-mandatory)