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Executive Summary

Purpose of this document: This document was developed for the client who is suffering from lung cancer, in order to review the therapeutic and diagnostic options available globally as of April 2016. This document should only be used by the client's qualified healthcare professionals and is not intended as medical advice. Where relevant, the client may use this document for educational purposes.

How to use this report: The report should be read from beginning to end. Summary sections of key information are provided in the opening sections. The majority of the report is located in the 'Interventions findings' section, where potentially useful interventions are listed with relevant clinical information, grouped by intervention type. At the end of each of the sub-sections of the interventions is a reference box containing full reference and hyperlinks providing immediate access to the reference material. The 'Further resources' section may be used by both the treating physician and the client to assist in their clinical practice, further their education or guide further research. The further resources section includes a list of expert persons and organisations to contact.

Client History Summary:

[REDACTED]

Methods: Interventions that would likely have a positive benefit to risk ratio for the disease were researched using a mutually exclusive, fully comprehensive search strategy; the search framework used covers all possible types of therapeutic interventions and diagnostics, from dietary interventions to cell therapy. All of approved, off-label and pre-marketing authorisation interventions were included. NICE guidance, PubMed, Scopus, Google and Zolman Medical Research's evidence database were searched for relevant material.

Findings: Further genotyping, or full genome sequencing (costing \$1,000 – \$5,000) or exome sequencing (\$500 - \$1,000) of tumour samples, could potentially enable a targeted pharmaceutical, biologic or cell therapy. Several experimental cell therapies were found to have potential disease modifying ability, including CAR-T (Chimeric Antigen Receptor T Cell) therapy and other interventions in which patients' immune cells are enabled to better target tumour cells. Several biologics and pharmaceuticals were found to be effective including novel checkpoint inhibitors such as nivolumab and pembrolizumab, as well as pharmaceuticals targeted at specific expressed receptors on tumour cells. Several other supplement and dietary therapies were found to have an effect on slowing disease progression, secondary prevention and in quality of life. Lifestyle choices including diet and exercise were found to be potentially important factors for disease progression. Emergency interventions including medical cryopreservation were found to be indicated given the advanced disease stage.

Client History

AGE	[REDACTED]
SEX	[REDACTED]
ETHNICITY	[REDACTED]
PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN	[REDACTED]
DIAGNOSIS, IF ANY	Non-small cell lung cancer, adenocarcinoma, Stage 4, T3N2M1b
HISTORY OF DIAGNOSIS	[REDACTED]
MEDICATIONS	[REDACTED]
PREVIOUS MEDICAL HISTORY	[REDACTED]
FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY	[REDACTED]
OCCUPATION	[REDACTED]
HOBBIES	[REDACTED]
SLEEP HABITS	[REDACTED]
DIET	[REDACTED]

EXERCISE & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY	[REDACTED]
SMOKING	[REDACTED]
ALCOHOL INTAKE	[REDACTED]
REPORT TYPE	Medical Condition focused
OTHER INFORMATION	[REDACTED]
THIS REPORT IS WRITTEN FOR	The Client's primary care physician

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Summary of Priority Actions*

*DO NOT change or modify your treatment plan on your own without consulting your treating physician

Cell therapy

Acquire CAR-T therapy targeted at expressed cancer cell markers

Sequence cancer cell genotype/exome/genome to determine markers to target

Pharmaceuticals

Acquire checkpoint inhibitors nivolumab/pembrolizumab

Acquire anti-cancer pharmaceuticals (Metformin, Aspirin)

Acquire pharmaceuticals targeted at expressed cancer cell markers

Sequence cancer cell genotype/exome/genome to determine markers to target

Test for all viral infections and STDs and treat with indicated anti-virals/anti-bacterials

Consider routine viral vaccination to boost the immune response against the cancer

Consider HPV 16 and 18 serotype vaccination given

Supplements

Initiate anti-cancer / chemotherapy-protective supplement regimen

Use sample prescription chart to monitor and improve adherence

Emergency contingency; cryopreservation arrangements

Assess option of cryopreservation

Choose provider and source funds to cover services (\$200k at Alcor, \$28k at Cryonics Institute)

Obtain membership of Cryonics UK (£25 / month or £5,000 one off payment)

Dietary

Initiate Food Hourglass Diet (anti-cancer / chemotherapy-protective diet) (see Appendix)

Track diet and adjust family and friends' diets similarly to ease the transition

Non-invasive interventions

Download Moves / Pedometer app on phone to track steps - <https://www.moves-app.com/>

Plan exercise regime and set exercise and physical activity goals

Consider meditation, yoga, tai chi and CBT for stress, anxiety, cancer pain, sleep disturbances if indicated

Take preventive actions such as Radon and Asbestos checks and avoidance of smoke and chemicals

Ongoingly discuss and consider surgery and radiotherapy

Consider high-intensity focused ultrasound therapy

Consider combination radiotherapy-immunotherapy (E.g. ipilimumab) (Contact relevant people)

Monitor biomarkers

Weight

Vitamin D (aim for 75 – 125 nmol/l); Serum ferritin; HbA1c; fasting plasma glucose

MRI imaging (rather than CT/PET imaging where possible)

Sample Prescription Chart* – Week Beginning XXX

*Sample only DO NOT change or modify your treatment plan on your own without consulting your treating physician

Supplement (daily dose)	Mechanism	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Vitamin D (2000 - 5000 IU (only once blood level measured)) <i>AM</i>	<i>Anti-cancer gene expression; Target blood level of 75 - 125 nmol/L</i>							
Magnesium citrate (225 mg of elemental magnesium)	<i>Cardio-protective, chemo-protectant, anti-calcification</i>							
Vitamin K2 (20 – 45 mg)	<i>Anti-calcification, anti-osteoporosis, anti-cancer</i>							
Fish oil (4 g <i>EPA and DHA</i> total)	<i>Anti-inflammatory, anti-triglycerides, heart health</i>							
Metformin (850 mg slow release form / patch / with meal / with probiotics to prevent gastrointestinal upset)	<i>Anti-ageing, anti-diabetes, anti-cancer</i>							
Pterostilbene (100 – 400 mg)	<i>Anti-ageing, anti-oxidative damage, anti-beta-amyloid</i>							
Quercetin (500 mg and Bromelain 150 mg)	<i>Anti-senescent (ageing) cells, anti-inflammatory</i>							
Green tea extract (600 – 2000 mg catechins, standardised extract)	<i>Anti-cancer, anti-inflammatory, anti-angiogenesis</i>							
Glucosamine (with or without chondroitin) (1500 mg)	<i>Anti-arthritis, anti-ageing</i>							
Turmeric (3g <i>with black pepper</i>)	<i>Anti-oxidative damage, anti-inflammation, anti-pain</i>							
CoQ10 (100 mg)	<i>Anti-oxidative damage</i>							
Creatine (1.5 - 5g powder dispersed in drink); 20g 1 st day loading dose	<i>Pro-muscle growth, anti-fatigue, anti-diabetes</i>							
HALF of 1 tablet multivitamin multimineral <i>AM and PM</i> <i>Slow release Vitamin C 500 mg with 25 – 100 mg bioflavonoids is optimal</i>	<i>Optimal Vit A,B,C,D,E, Choline, Inositol, Biotin, Pantothenic acid, Iodine, Copper, Boron, Manganese, Selenium, Zinc, Chromium, Molybdenum</i>							
Aspirin (40 mg per day or 80 mg every other day), <i>before bed</i>	<i>Anti-cancer, anti-cardiovascular illnesses</i>							
Melatonin timed release 300 micrograms to 40 mg <i>before bed</i>	<i>Pro-sleep, anti-hypertensive, anti-oxidative damage</i>							

Lifestyle: 10k steps/day (track with phone app), 80% + of foods from the healthy part of the Food Hourglass, brush teeth *AM and PM*, floss *PM*, blue light filter on screens to aid sleep

Check each **box** to confirm the item has been taken. If only half an item was taken write "half". If both items taken, tick twice. Please detail any problems or reasons for not taking.

Answers to questions

1. Are there any other targeted treatment options that could be suggested?

- Yes, depending on the cancers mutations, which can only be fully identified through full genome sequencing (now costs between \$1,000 and \$5,000 in America) or exome sequencing and subsequent analysis. The exome is the 2% of the genome that is most important, and hence cheaper to sequence than the full genome. Please see the Diagnostics and Monitoring section.
- Targeted treatments include cell therapy and drugs (pharmaceuticals or biologics)

2. Are there any trials/options for non-small cell lung cancer type adenocarcinoma currently that [REDACTED] may qualify? (UCL/King's etc)

- Yes likely, there are 857 lung cancer related clinical trials currently registered in the EU at this link of which a proportion are running and of which [REDACTED] could be eligible for <https://www.clinicaltrialsregister.eu/ctr-search/search?query=lung+cancer> . Please see the interventions section for some specific clinical trials.
- If the best clinical trial is not available, or it is not possible to access the experimental therapies you need, it is possible to work with doctors and scientists to create your own clinical trial with a group of similar patients, or your own experimental trial, in which you are the only patient subject.

3. Are there any options of stem cell treatment for this type of cancer?

- Yes, please see the interventions findings section.

4. Should we be looking drugs such as Nivolumab?

- Yes, clinical trials show it improves the immune system's ability to attack the cancer and improves quality of life and outcomes. Please see the interventions findings section for further information.
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Interventions findings

Interventions were searched and assessed for benefit to risk ratio. A benefit to risk ratio is the weighing up of the potential benefits versus the potential harms of an intervention. A "positive" benefit to risk ratio is one where the benefits of undertaking an intervention likely outweigh the harms, based on scientific evidence and the profile of the patient in question.

Non-invasive interventions

- Walking
 - > 10,000 steps per day is optimal, 1 mile per day (around 4000 steps) is good initial target
 - Use phone apps such as 'Moves' or 'Pedometer' to track your daily steps
- General exercising
 - Such as sport, or pilates
 - 30 minutes a day 5 times a week vigorous exercise is optimal
- Strength exercise
 - 2 - 4x per week is optimal
- Yoga, tai chi or qigong (known as meditative movement therapies)
- Meditation (various types)
 - For anxiety, stress, fatigue, sleep disturbances, general mood disorders and cancer pain
- Cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT)
 - For stress, anxiety or depression
- Radon gas check
 - Radon gas is an odourless gas, responsible for thousands of lung cancer deaths per year in the USA, it is a leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers
 - Radon gas can be measured in homes through the UK Radon organisation, a branch of Public Health England <http://www.ukradon.org/>
- Avoid lung cancer carcinogens through identifying potential sources
 - Second hand smoke
 - Asbestos
 - Silica
 - Wood dust
 - Wood smoke from wood burning stoves

- Wood smoke from fires
 - Diesel / petrol / exhaust fumes
 - Vinyl chloride
 - Benzene / toluene
 - Metals: Aluminium, arsenic, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, nickel
 - Noxious household cleaning products
 - Aerosols (e.g. spray deodorants)
 - Polluted atmospheric regions (e.g. Main roads in cities, international cities including China)
- Avoid alcohol (maximum 1 – 2 units per week; high polyphenol red wine is the preferable beverage)

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Dietary interventions

- Food Hourglass Diet from “the food hourglass” book (an evidence based anti-cancer and pro-longevity diet, by Dr Kris Verburgh, MD), see Appendix
 - Likely most effective if 80 - 100% of foods and drinks that are eaten are “food hourglass compliant”
- Ketogenic Diet (may starve the cancer of sugar, of which the cancer needs to grow)
 - This is a diet of 4 parts fat to 1 part protein or carbohydrates
 - The ketogenic diet should be administered under the guidance of a qualified nutritionist with past experience
- Avoidance of high temperature cooking methods (e.g. grilling, frying), as these create cancer causing compounds (e.g. burnt parts of food) and Advanced Glycation End Products (AGEs). AGEs also contribute to cancer, heart disease and ageing through accumulating in the body
 - Use low temperature, slow cooking methods with lots of water (e.g. boiling, steaming, poaching)
 - Avoid eating burnt or browned parts of food
- Protein and calorie fasting (Lowers Serum IGF-1)
 - Eating 600 calories total with no protein for 1 - 2 days per week, this is called “calorie and protein restriction” and has been shown to have benefits on the immune system, to reduce cancer incidence and progression and on the ageing processes
 - ProLon diet: 5 day fasting once per month; 1000 calories first day, 700 calories following 4 days to a set dietary plan
- Fasting prior or after delivery of chemotherapy
 - Administration of chemotherapy immediately after or during fasting may cause the chemotherapeutic drugs to preferentially target cancer cells, whilst minimising harm to non-cancerous normal healthy cells
- Read the label on everything you eat to check for ‘unhealthy ingredients’ (i.e. those that are not Food Hourglass compliant, see Appendix for the Food Hourglass infographic)
- Broccoli
- ‘Anti-angiogenesis’ teas
 - **Angiogenesis, literally meaning “blood vessel (*angio-*) creation (*-genesis*)”,** is the process in which new blood vessels sprout from current blood vessels to provide areas of the body that require further oxygen and nutrients. Solid cancer tumours cannot grow larger than 1 – 2 mm without harnessing the process of angiogenesis. These tumours release chemicals that cause angiogenesis to occur, causing blood vessels from nearby to grow towards the tumour to provide it with nutrients.
 - The process can be inhibited through various beverages including:
 - Green tea
 - Ginger tea

- White tea
- Chai tea

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Supplement and nutraceutical interventions

All supplements can be purchased from Amazon or other online suppliers from sellers that utilise GMP (Good Manufacturing Practice) certified standards.

- Multivitamin/multimineral if diet alone is not meeting vitamin requirements, or if blood vitamin and mineral levels are not in optimal range.

This should not be undertaken until vitamin or mineral deficiencies have been identified: the CRON-o-meter software <https://cronometer.com/>, also available as an Android or iOS app, can be used to track vitamin and mineral intake to see if you are meeting the RDA each day

- Beta-carotene supplementation may be harmful for smoking caused lung cancer, it is not clear if this association occurs in non-smoking induced lung cancer
- Iron supplementation may potentiate cancer and other ageing pathways
 - 40 – 60 ng/ml ferritin serum level is likely the optimal range for longevity (normal range 11 – 300 ng/ml)
 - For example, excess iron levels can cause haemosiderin deposits that accumulate throughout the body with age
- 100% RDA (Recommended Daily Allowance), or dose to reach the optimal blood level of
 - Vitamin A
 - Mixed carotenoids
 - Vitamin B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7, B9, B12
 - Vitamin C
 - Vitamin D3
 - Vitamin E
 - Mixed tocopherols (4 types) and mixed tocotrienols (4 types)
 - Vitamin K1/K2
 - Pseudovitamins: Choline, Inositol, Biotin, Pantothenic Acid
 - Microminerals
 - Iodine, Copper, Boron, Manganese, Selenium, Zinc, Chromium, Molybdenum
 - Macrominerals
 - Magnesium, Potassium, Sodium, Chlorine, Calcium, Phosphorous
- Coenzyme Q10, high bioavailable form
 - 100 - 300 mg a day
- Vitamin D3 to reach 25-OH-D blood level of 100 - 150 nmol/l (*note units*)
 - Likely 5000 IU (125 micrograms) for 1 – 3 months, followed ongoingly by 2000 IU per day
 - Measure once every month for first 3 months, followed by every 3 months

- Magnesium Citrate 200 - 250 mg / day (of elemental magnesium)
 - For protection of organs such as the kidneys from chemotherapeutic drugs
 - For prevention of calcification of organs and blood vessels
- Omega 3 fish oil
 - 2 g – 5 g of EPA and DHA per day (anti-inflammatory)
- Green tea standardised extract
 - 1 - 2g polyphenols per day
- Turmeric
 - 3 g / day in a highly bioavailable form (with black pepper or as nanoturmeric)
- Vitamin K2
 - 100 micrograms to 45 miligrams per day
- Pterostilbene
 - 100 – 400 mg per day
- Quercetin
 - 500 mg per day
- Glucosamine and chondroitin
 - 1.5g per day
- Melatonin
 - For general health: 300 micrograms, 6 hour timed release version
 - Melatonin can be useful in cancer, but normally in much greater doses than 300 micrograms. Some doses used in clinical trials include 10-50 mg daily, however there has been no significant evidence of improvement of disease outcomes in trials searched. An experienced physician should tailor and follow-up the right dose together with the patient, however given the side effects at higher doses (feeling very drowsy or sad/depressed with such high doses), the benefit to risk ratio is not fully clear for high dose melatonin (> 1 mg)
 - Only available on prescription in the UK, or can purchase from Amazon.com and import via a re-routing US address, e.g. www.viabox.com
- Creatine
 - *Microcrystalline creatine monohydrate powder* is the optimal form
 - 1.5 -5g per day, may require loading dose of 3g six times per day (18 – 20g total), followed by 2 – 5 g maintenance dose
- Anti-angiogenesis or anti-inflammatory supplements

- 100+ supplement compounds have been identified to have significant anti-angiogenesis and anti-inflammatory (e.g. anti-cox 2) properties in preclinical models and clinical trials (Sagar SM, Yance D, Wong RK, 2006)

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Pharmaceutical and biologic interventions

- Metformin
 - 850 mg per day
 - Has anti-cancer properties for adenocarcinoma in non-smokers and very low risk profile

- Aspirin
 - 80 mg every other day, taken at night (stomach is more resistant to aspirin damage at night)
 - Or 40 mg per day, taken at night
 - Has anti-cancer properties for adenocarcinoma and low risk profile

- Targeted therapies
 - Identify gene mutations in tumour cells
 - Select a drug that targets this / these mutations
 - Over 50% of adenocarcinoma mutations have drugs that are currently approved to target them, or of which are in development (phase 2 or 3 clinical trials)
 - See Appendix Figure 1 for examples of drugs that work against specific lung cancer mutations.

- Nivolumab
 - Checkpoint inhibitor that has caused long-term remission of some non-small cell lung cancers

- Pembrolizumab
 - Novel checkpoint inhibitor; only for those with non-small cell lung cancer who express PD-L1

- Ipilimumab
 - Anti-CTLA-4 antibody, case reports of full clearance of non-small cell lung cancer when given in combination with radiotherapy (See therapeutic medical devices section)

- Biologic cancer vaccines
 - CimaVax (versus EGF receptor – all good responders with high level doses of CimaVax had a large tendency towards improved survival)
 - Lucanix (allogenic whole tumour cells with TGF-B expression turned off, allowing immune cells to attack the tumour cells and increase the immune response; improves median survival, Phase 3 trial completed)
 - MAGRIT
 - TIME
 - INSPIRE

- HPV vaccine
 - Vaccine HPV virus select subtypes (e.g. 16 and 18), a possible cause of non-smoking induced lung cancer
 - Active Hexose Correlated Compound

- Works as an immunotherapy that has been shown to cure HPV in some patients in ongoing Phase 1 / 2
 - HPV may cause or propagate lung cancer
- Other viral vaccine
 - Viral vaccines could curb tumor growth, not only HPV vaccines, but perhaps every vaccine that spurs on the immune system. In theory, one could try to regularly vaccinate against pneumococcus, influenza, TBC etc to induce immune system boosts which can push back the cancer growth (for example, a TBC vaccine is given to help to treat bladder cancer).
- Treatment of underlying lung pathology that has been missed (e.g. TB infection)
- HTERT cancer vaccine
 - "VAPER" clinical trial ongoing at Guy's Hospital, London
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Gene therapy interventions

- No gene therapies were identified; gene therapies that modify stem cells are included in the cell therapy section
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Cell therapy interventions

- CAR-T therapy (Chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy), *intra-pleural injection likely better than intra-venous injection*
 - These are genetically engineered immune cells that are engineered to specifically attack targets that are expressed on your cancer cells, and not on normal healthy body cells
 - Only given to those that have tried and failed chemotherapy once or twice already
 - Available in London and the USA
 - In cases, has been shown to effectively cure blood cancers and solid tumours
 - May need a special variant of the therapy, or multiple rounds
 - Injection to the tumour in situ (intra-pleural) is likely better than intravenous
 - Preclinical studies have shown intrapleurally administered mesothelin-targeted CAR-T cells were able to effectively eradicate mesothelioma and lung cancer with 30-fold greater efficiency than intravenously administered CAR-T cells; clinical trials currently underway
 - Risk of tumour lysis-syndrome, requires careful monitoring
 - Currently very expensive; potentially ranging from \$20,000 - \$500,000 if done privately
 - CAR-T clinical trial for non-small cell lung cancers that express WT-1 is available at - <https://clinicaltrials.gov/show/NCT02408016>
- Anti-cancer mesenchymal stem cell (MSC) therapy
 - These cells can be shared between people without rejection
 - It is best to use cells from someone who is of the same sex, is healthy and is age 22 or under as the cells age and become less effective
 - The cells can be modified to produce or contain anti-cancer compounds; the cells home to the cancerous cells and attach them upon injection
- T Cell cancer vaccine
 - Your T cells are trained on samples of the tumour, the ones that attack the tumour are isolated, cultured up and re injected
 - However these have been shown to be less effective in some cancers than CAR-T therapy
- Dendritic cell cancer vaccine
 - Similarly as the T cell vaccine, but with dendritic cells, a different type of immune cell

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Surgical interventions

- Surgery should still be considered even in advanced lung cancer with metastases, following risk benefit analysis
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Therapeutic medical device interventions

- Ultrasound therapy (high intensity focused ultrasound)
 - Radiotherapy (photons or protons)
 - X ray/gamma ray radiotherapy in combination with immunotherapy may be synergistic
 - Radiotherapy with Ipilimumab
 - Ipilimumab is an anti-CTLA-4 antibody; there are case reports of full clearance of non-small cell lung cancer when given in combination with radiotherapy
 - Proton beam therapy (available by NHS Proton Overseas Programme)
 - Radiotherapy with protons rather than X-rays of which hit healthy areas around the tissue as well as the tumour; it has less side effects as it only targets the cancerous tissue
 - Radiofrequency thermal ablation radiotherapy
 - Microwave thermal ablation radiotherapy
 - Stereotactic radiotherapy, also known as radiosurgery (CyberKnife)
 - Targets the tumour from multiple angles, with the tumour receiving a high dose of radiation whilst the tissues around it only receive a low dose.
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Diagnostics and monitoring interventions

- A full genome OR exome (the 2% of the genome that is protein coding) sequencing of biopsy (make sure to genome sequence multiple cells, as different cells within the tumour will likely have evolved different mutations) to potentially identify mutations that can be targeted
 - Test cancer cells for WT-1, L1-CAM, ROR-1 expression, of which can be targeted with CAR-T therapy:
See Juno Therapeutics' list of CAR-T biomarker targets
<https://www.junotherapeutics.com/pipeline/clinical/>
 - Test cancer cells for ALK translocation, ROS 1 translocation, RET translocation (see Appendix Figure 2), ask your doctor how to best test for these
 - Test cancer cells for KRAS mutation, EGFR mutation, PIK3CA mutation, CTNNB1 mutation, BRAF mutation, NRAS mutation, HER2 mutation (see Appendix Figure 2 for the potential drugs that can target these if these mutations are discovered); this can be done via genome, exome sequencing or genotyping
 - Other mutations may be found of which can be targeted with other drugs, or personalised CAR-T therapies
 - Liquid biopsy (circulating single or double stranded DNA in the blood stream, shed from cancer cells) may be used too, however this technique is still being validated as a biomarker and will not cover as many mutations
- Reconfirm the diagnosis of adenocarcinoma; if the benefits of re-diagnosis outweigh the risks and there is potential uncertainty in the diagnosis
- Test for HPV and other viruses and STDs including:
 - HPV types 16 and 18
 - EBV
 - CMV
 - HSV 1 and 2
 - HIV
 - Chlamydia
 - Syphilis
 - Gonorrhoea
- Test for fasting blood glucose and HbA1c
 - Untreated diabetes increases cancer risk and viral/bacterial infection risk of which can in turn lead to cancer
 - Type 2 diabetes should be treated with metformin, diet, exercise, supplements (e.g. chromium), sleep optimisation and stress reduction alone, with other drugs only used if absolutely necessary due to their side effects
- Test Vitamin D every 3 months
 - Optimal range 75 – 125 nmol/ml

- Test serum ferritin
 - Optimal range for longevity 40 – 60 ng/ml, however this may not be the optimal range for lung cancer; however the test is important to diagnose occult hemochromatosis

- Monitor body weight for weight loss or gain. Aim for optimal body weight.

- Increasing the safety of medical imaging
 - Avoid single or multiple CT, PET, SPECT scans, other types of radionucleotide scans or X-Rays; these all use radiation that can increase the risk of cancer. Use MRI scans instead whenever possible.
 - In all cases if possible use MRI scans (these use magnets and non-harmful radiation). MRI scans can be obtained privately at a cost of £200 per body region, if the NHS cannot provide them
 - **Where possible 1.5T (Tesla, a measure of the MRI's magnetic field strength) should be used rather than 3T unless indicated; MRI scans still cause DNA damage, with 3T scans causing more DNA damage than 1.5T scans, however this DNA damage has not been shown to increase the risk of cancer or any other diseases, as has been with CT, PET and SPECT scans.**
 - Ensure to drink enough water to be optimally hydrated prior to your scan to improve image quality
 - Ensure to stay very still during the scan to improve image quality
 - If it is not possible to avoid a CT, PET, SPECT or X-ray scan ensure to take radioprotective actions
 - Request imaging protocols that use the minimum amount of radiation, for example CT scans can now use 10x less radiation and obtain the same diagnostic or prognostic quality, however only certain hospitals implement these protocols; speak to your radiologist to organise this
 - Ask the radiologist what your total dose of radiation is in mSv (millisiverts) and Gy (grey) before the procedure and if this can be reduced
 - Take radioprotective supplements several hours prior to radiation exposure such as 100% RDA of vitamin C, E, Selenium, Chromium, Iodine, green tea extract, Coenzyme Q10, Pterostilbene and Quercetin
 - Radioprotective supplements may also be taken before MRI scans

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Human Longevity Inc.

- Their \$25,000 health nucleus service, of which include full genome sequencing for cancer biopsies, normal healthy cell full genome sequencing, full bloods, full body imaging with MRI, full microbiome sequencing etc.
<https://www.healthnucleus.com/>
- HLI also are developing personalised cell therapies and cancer vaccines of which could hold some worth enquiring about
<http://www.humanlongevity.com/science-technology/products/>

Illumina personal genome/exome sequencing

- This service provides high quality full genome or exome sequencing services (exome = 2% of total genome, sequencing the protein coding regions only, and hence cheaper than full genome sequencing), it is best to contact them via the phone and discuss

http://www.illumina.com/clinical/illumina_clinical_laboratory.html ;

Veritas Genetics (Professor George Church, Harvard)

- Genome sequencing services

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Emergency medicine interventions

- Medical cryopreservation (the storage of the body in liquid Nitrogen at very cold temperatures, with the blood replaced with cryoprotectant, with the goal to be resuscitated in the near future once medical technology has advanced)
 - This involves an advanced medical protocol, performed by paramedics and doctors to protect the body and brain from damage after legal death, for later revival; storage time is estimated at 30 - 100 years (year 2046 - 2116) before safe resuscitation is possible
 - There is evidence that: 1) the cryopreservation procedure maintains the microstructure of the **patient's brain and other organs**; 2) **it is now possible** to freeze and thaw a rabbit brain using similar techniques and **maintain the microstructure of the brain (the 'connectome')**, with a small animal brain being preserved and restored for the first time in early 2016
 - The two main organisations currently are Alcor and Cryonics Institute (CI), both based in the US
 - The UK based medical charity Cryonics UK have their own cryonics ambulance and team of qualified paramedics that can administer cryopreservation services in the UK
 - Whole body cryopreservation costs at Alcor are \$200,000 USD and at Cryonics Institute they are \$28,000
 - Cryopreservation costs are normally paid for through life insurance, cash savings, Property Trusts or other Trusts, or through the sale of assets to pay fees upfront
 - Health monitoring device that is worn 24/7, even at home, and alerts medical emergency services in case of emergency (e.g. cardiac arrest, heart arrhythmia, low oxygen saturation of the blood)
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Alcor, the globally leading cryonics company - the FAQ section is particularly informative

www.alcor.org

Alcor costs for cryopreservation services

<http://www.alcor.org/BecomeMember/scheduleA.html>

Cryonics UK: These are the UK based paramedic team that perform the cryopreservation procedure on UK patients, contact Tim and Victoria

www.cryonics-uk.org/

Cryogenically frozen rabbit brain hailed as scientific first. Feb 11 2016.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/fully-intact-brain-frozen_us_56bb942ae4b0b40245c51654

Social interventions

- Friends and family
 - Encourage strong support from friends and family

 - Socialising with similar patients
 - Ask your GP for local community support groups
 - Contact charitable organisations including Cancer Research UK
 - Online organisations including:
 - www.patientslikeme.com
 - www.whatnext.com (online cancer support network that connects people to peers and resources based on a specific diagnosis)
 - www.pulseofthepatient.com (cancer focused)
 - www.curetogether.com
 - www.bensfriends.com
 - www.talk.nhs.co.uk (NHS Choices Communities)
 - www.raregenomics.org (connects patients with rare genetic with genetic researchers and crowdfunds their genetic sequencing)
 - www.careacross.com (cancer focused)

 - Crowdsourcing a solution has proven effective for some patients with complex diseases. This involves using social media, including Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn as well as expert scientist group forums such as Research Gate, and expert clinician forums such as Doctors.org.uk, to share your story and encourage people to contribute their expert knowledge on potential therapies or diagnostics. Working with medical journals such as the BMJ (British Medical Journal), or other media outlets, may also be of benefit. Furthermore platforms such as GoFundMe have been used to raise tens of thousands of pounds for people with terminal illnesses.
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - LinkedIn
 - Research Gate
 - Doctors.org.uk
 - **Patent's like me**
 - Medical journals e.g. the BMJ
 - Other media
 - GoFundMe
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Further Resources

Further resources were searched and assessed for benefit to risk ratio. A benefit to risk ratio is the weighing up of the potential benefits versus the potential harms of a resource. A “positive” benefit to risk ratio is one where the benefits of utilising a resource in some way likely outweigh the harms, based on prior evidence and the profile of the patient in question.

Persons and organisations to contact

Contacting expert persons or organisations in the field related to your condition may be necessary to access or decide upon certain diagnostics or therapies, or their combinations.

General tips include:

- Generally, the more people contacted regards finding a solution the better
- People are best contacted through email, Skype call or through meeting in person at group events
- It is useful to ask if there is anyone the person knows that would also be useful to talk to
- Private doctors generally have more time than NHS doctors
- Always get second opinions from doctors or scientists if possible

The following persons and organisations were found to be beneficial to contact regards their relevant expertise:

Michel Sadelain, M.D., Ph.D., and colleagues at MSKCC

- Running CAR-T intrapleural lung cancer immunotherapy clinical trial

Dr Silvia Formentia, MD

- Regards combination radiation-immunotherapy (e.g. ipilimumab and radiation therapy)

Dr Hyman, the Ultrawellness Centre - <http://www.ultrawellnesscenter.com/home/>

- Regards lifestyle optimisation (diet and exercise) and specific anti-cancer supplements

Professor Sam Janes at UCL/UCLH

- Currently running a genetically engineered stem cell therapy clinical trial for lung cancer - <https://www.mrc.ac.uk/news/browse/combo-cell-gene-therapy-for-lung-cancer-to-be-tested-in-uk-patients/>

Dr Chris Watkins, Director of Translational Research Biomedical Catalyst, MRC

- Likely will have knowledge of many relevant clinical trials or experts

Professor Dr Robert Hawkins, Christie Clinic, Manchester

- Expert in cancer cell therapy
<http://www.thechristieclinic.co.uk/find-a-specialist/professor-robert-hawkins-2>

Dr Stanley Riddell, Fred Hutch, Washington, USA

- CAR-T immunotherapy expert
<https://www.fredhutch.org/en/labs/profiles/riddell-stanley.html>

MD Anderson Cancer Centre

- One of the leading cancer clinics, located in Texas, USA. Their website can be searched for clinical trials
<https://www.mdanderson.org/>

The MD Anderson Cancer Center Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Institute for Personalized Cancer Therapy

- Offer cancer genome sequencing
<https://www.mdanderson.org/education-and-research/research-at-md-anderson/personalized-advanced-therapy/sheikh-khalifa-bin-zayed-al-nahyan-institute-for-personalized-cancer-therapy/index.html>

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre

- One of the leading cancer clinics, located in New York, USA. Their website can be searched for clinical
<https://www.mskcc.org/>

Cancer Research UK UCL Clinical Trials Centre

- Potentially useful to identify further UK based researchers and doctors
<http://www.ctc.ucl.ac.uk/>

Cancer Research UK Imperial Centre

- Potentially useful to identify further UK based researchers and doctors
<http://www.imperial.ac.uk/cancer-research-uk-imperial-centre/>

Juno Therapeutics

- US company that creates CAR-T and cancer immunotherapy cell therapies, valued at \$6bn, founded in 2012 and performing many clinical trials in the US
<https://www.junotherapeutics.com/pipeline/clinical/>

Clinical trials and trial databases

- EU clinical trials <https://www.clinicaltrialsregister.eu/ctr-search/search?query=lung+cancer&page=1>
- US clinical trials (and global) <https://clinicaltrials.gov/>
- If the best clinical trial is not available, or it is not possible to access the experimental therapies you need, it is possible to design and develop your own clinical trial with a group of similar patients

Recommended reading for the client

The following articles are open access. The Client may be assisted to access pay-walled or subscription based articles upon request, by contacting Zolman Medical for further information.

- Critical appraisal - how to assess the quality of a medical publication
<http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/706399>
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- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Non-small-cell_lung_carcinoma
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adenocarcinoma_of_the_lung
- <http://patient.info/health/staging-and-grading-cancer>
- <http://www.cancer.org/cancer/lungcancer-non-smallcell/detailedguide/non-small-cell-lung-cancer-treating-by-stage>
- Lung cancer NHS NICE guidance
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg121>
- The Food Hourglass, Dr Kris Verburgh. 2014.
<http://www.amazon.co.uk/The-Food-Hourglass-Kris-Verburgh/dp/0007556160>

Google search terms for the client

The following terms may be searched to identify articles of interest on Google, or other search engine, that may help the client to gain a further “**all round**” understanding of the condition and therapeutic options, or to themselves identify new information after the research period of this report.

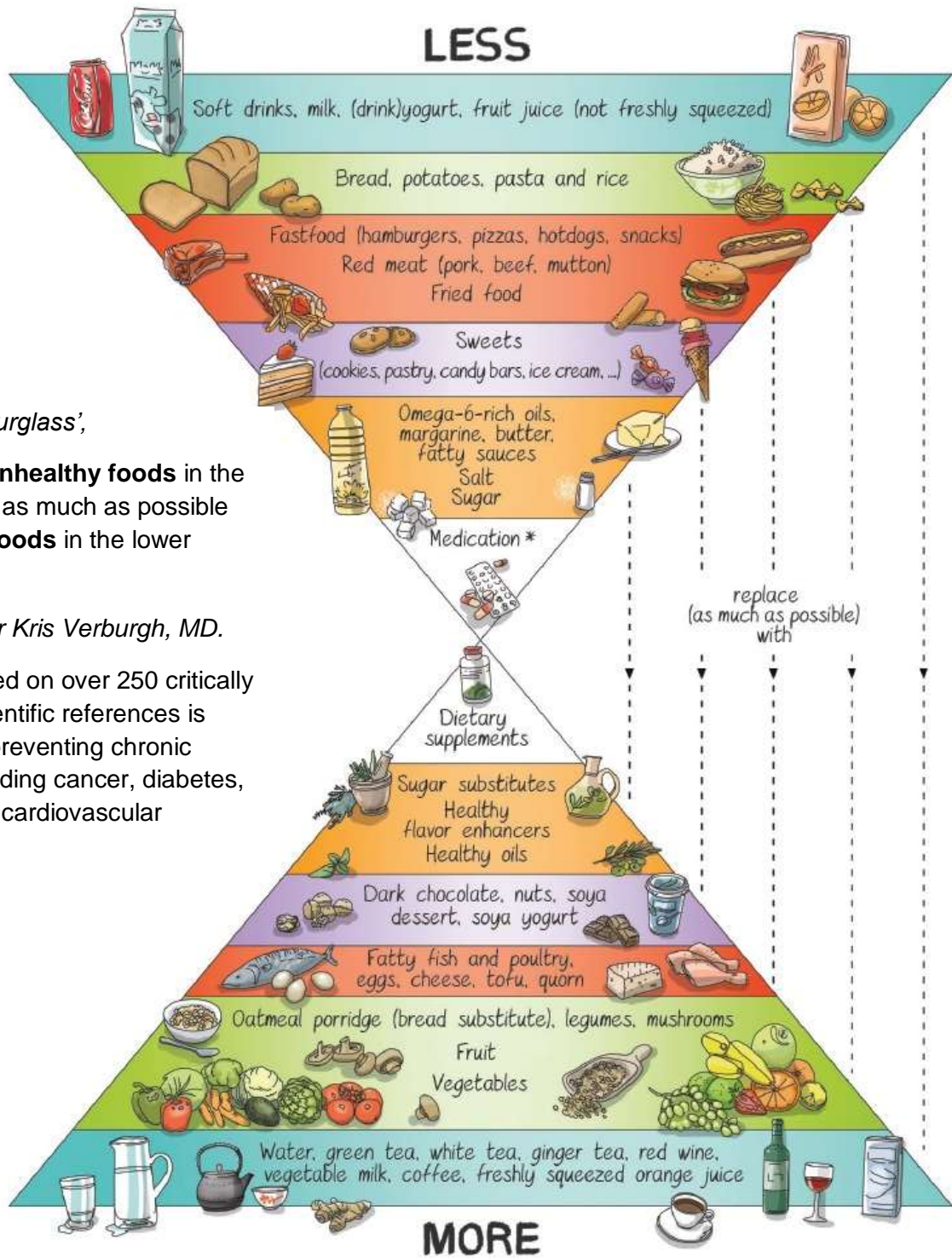
- Lung cancer explained
- Immunotherapy explained
- CAR-T therapy explained
- Lung cancer immunotherapy
- Lung cancer cell therapy
- Adenocarcinoma immunotherapy
- Lung cancer genome sequencing
- Adenocarcinoma cure
- Lung cancer cure
- Non-small cell lung cancer cure
- Lung cancer consultant
- Lung cancer scientist
- Lung cancer professor
- MRI explained

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Appendix

- a. Food Hourglass Infographic.....
- b. Adenocarcinoma mutation spectrum.....
- c. Adenocarcinoma mutation targeted drugs

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'The Food Hourglass',

Replace the **unhealthy foods** in the upper triangle as much as possible with **healthy foods** in the lower triangle

Courtesy of Dr Kris Verburgh, MD.

This diet, based on over 250 critically appraised scientific references is designed for preventing chronic diseases including cancer, diabetes, dementia and cardiovascular diseases.

- Smart food supplements: vitamin D, iodine, magnesium, selenium, B vitamins
- Healthy sugar substitutes: stevia, tagatose, sugar alcohols, (mashed) fruits
Healthy oils: olive oil, flax seed oil, walnut oil, canola oil, soy oil, perilla-oil
Healthy flavor enhancers: spices (turmeric, parsley, thyme, rosemary, basil, oregano, mint), garlic, onion, lemon juice, vinegar (balsamico, raspberry vinegar, tomato vinegar), potassium salt
Omega-6 rich oils (use less of): corn oil, sunflower oil, palm oil, sesame seed oil
- Fatty fish: salmon, mackerel, herring, anchovy, sardine
Meat substitutes: tofu (made of soy) and quorn (made of a fungus)
- Legumes: beans, peas, lentils, soy
- Water: can be flavoured with lemon, sage, thyme or mint
Plant milk: soy milk, almond milk, rice milk
Alcohol: maximum 2 consumptions a day for men and 1 consumption a day for women
Coffee: limited to 3 consumptions a day

* Always consult a medical doctor before changing or reducing medication

The majority of lung adenocarcinomas from never-smokers harbour a mutation in either *EGFR* or *HER2 (ERBB2)* or a fusion involving *ALK* or *ROS1* [18]. Driver mutations in adenocarcinoma occur in the *EGFR*, *HER2 (ERBB2)*, *KRAS*, *ALK*, *BRAF*, *PIK3CA*, and *ROS1* genes (Fig. 5.1.4A). Mutations in *KRAS* and *EGFR* are mutually exclusive, as are most of the kinase domain mutations listed above, except for *PIK3CA* [19,20]. Several of these genes may have increased gene copy number or amplification, mostly of the mutant allele. *EGFR* (20%), *HER2* (2%), and *MET* (1%) may be amplified preferentially on the mutant allele. *MET* amplification occurs more frequently in resistant disease and is associated with *EGFR* tyrosine kinase inhibition. All of these mutations offer the possibility of targeted therapy, although only three (*EGFR* mutation, *ALK* and *ROS1* fusion) are subject to targeted treatment with currently approved drugs: gefitinib or erlotinib for *EGFR* mutation and crizotinib for *ALK* and *ROS1* fusion. Agents targeting the others are in development in phase 2 or phase 3 (Table 5.1.1).

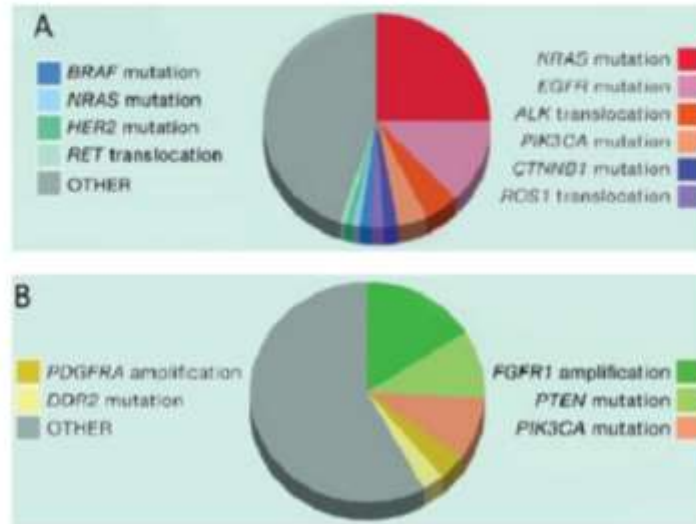


Figure 2 - (A) Mutation spectrum in adenocarcinoma. (B) Mutations in squamous cell carcinoma. Worldwide cancer Report 2014.

Gene or genetic alteration	Histological type	Therapy
Targeted therapies ^a		
<i>EGFR</i> mutation	Advanced adenocarcinoma	EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitor Erlotinib, gefitinib
<i>ALK</i> fusion	Adenocarcinoma	Crizotinib
<i>ROS1</i> fusion	Advanced adenocarcinoma	Crizotinib
Drugs in development		
<i>HER2</i>	Adenocarcinoma	Afatinib (BIBW 2992)
<i>PI3KCA</i>	NSCLC	Trastuzumab, PI3K inhibitor
<i>BRAF</i>	NSCLC	Sorafenib?
<i>MET</i>	NSCLC	Phase 2: rilotumumab (AMG 102), MetMab
<i>RAS</i>	Adenocarcinoma	PI3K + MEK inhibitors

Figure 1 – Drugs approved or undergoing clinical trials that target lung cancers with specific genetic mutations. Worldwide cancer Report 2014.