OPTIMIZATION OF CHEMOTHERAPY DELIVERY PROTOCOLS, TO TREAT LOW-GRADE GLIOMA PATIENTS

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CONTEXT

- Low-grade glioma: brain tumor with slow and continuous growth
- Different treatments



PROLONGED RESPONSE WITH PCV^[1]



[1] Peyre, M. et al., 2010. Prolonged response without prolonged chemotherapy: a lesson from PCV chemotherpy in low-grade gliomas. *Neuro-Oncology*, 82, pp.281-288



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RESISTANCE TO TMZ



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How could we model the emergence of resistance to TMZ?

How could we optimize treatment duration and TMZ delivery protocol?



OBJECTIVES

To use mathematical modeling to

- Propose modifications of therapeutic protocols on a population level
- Optimize the treatment delivery on an individual level

LGG DYNAMICS MODELING



[2] Ribba, B., et al., 2012. A tumor growth inhibition model for low-grade glioma treated with chemotherapy or radiotherapy. *Clinical Cancer Research*, 18(18), pp.5071-80.

MODIFICATION OF PCV DELIVERY PROTOCOL

INDIVIDUAL FITS



MODIFICATION OF PCV ADMINISTRATION FOR A POPULATION^[3]

- > Modification of therapeutic protocol: $\frac{dC}{dt} = -KDE \times C$
- Constraints for the modifications:
 - 6 PCV cycles
 - Same time interval between cycles
- > Aims:
 - To prolong tumor response duration
 - To avoid tumor progression between PCV cycles
- Simulation of 1000 virtual LGG patients

[3] Mazzocco, P. et al., 2015. Increasing the time interval between PCV chemotherapy cycles as a strategy to improve duration of response in low-grade gliomas : results from a model-based clinical trial simulation, submitted to Computational and Mathematical Methods in Medicine.



Individual fits with standard protocol



Individual fits with standard protocol Simulations with modified protocol

POPULATION OPTIMIZATION



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MODELING TUMOR RESISTANCE TO TMZ, AND OPTIMIZATION OF TREATMENT DELIVERY

RESISTANCE MODELING

- Resistance to chemotherapy: one of the main reasons of treatment failure
- Due to random mutations and/or caused by the treatment itself^[4]
- > Usually described with $\gamma \times \exp(-res.t)^{[5]}$
- Existence of models distinguishing between sensitive and resistant tumor cells^[6]

[4] Tomasetti, C. & Levy, D., 2010. An elementary approach to modeling drug resistance in cancer. Mathematical biosciences and engineering : MBE, 7(4), pp.905–918.

[5] Claret, L. et al., 2009. Model-based prediction of phase III overall survival in colorectal cancer on the basis of phase II tumor dynamics. Journal of Clinical Oncology, 27(25), pp.4103–8.

[6] Terranova, N., et al., 2015. Resistance Development: A Major Piece in the Jigsaw Puzzle of Tumor Size Modeling. CPT:PSP, 4, pp. 320-323

RESISTANCE MODELING

Use of stochastic discrete models to describe the emergence of resistance^[7]

> Issues with simulations and parameter estimations

Possibility to use stochastic differential equations (SDE) (continuous time), but issues with parameter estimations

ODE model: limit of SDE model with large initial population

[7] Coldman, A.J. & Goldie, J.H., 1986. A stochastic model for the origin and treatment of tumors containing drug-resistant cells. Bulletin of mathematical biology, 48(3-4), pp.279–292.

DATA^[8]



- > 77 patients treated with TMZ
- > 952 tumor size observations in total
- Administration protocol: 200mg/m²/d, from day 1 to day 5, every 28 days
- 18 cycles of TMZ in median (minimum 2, maximum 24)
- 34 patients experienced tumor progression during treatment
- 1p/19q co-deletion, p53 mutation and IDH mutation statuses available

[8] Ricard, D. et al., 2007. Dynamic history of low-grade gliomas before and after temozolomide treatment. Annals of neurology, 61(5), pp.484–90.

INDIVIDUAL PROFILES



PK-PD MODEL



[9] Ostermann, S., et al., 2004. Plasma and cerebrospinal fluid population pharmacokinetics of temozolomide in malignant glioma patients. *Clinical Cancer Research*, 10(11), pp.3728-3736.

PK-PD MODEL



INDIVIDUAL FITS



INDIVIDUAL OPTIMIZATION - METHOD

Optimization of TMZ administration protocol, on an individual level with CMA-ES algorithm

Constraints:

- 5 TMZ administrations per cycle
- Same time interval between cycles (interval>5 days)
- Dose≤200mg/m²/d
- Test of 3 different numbers of TMZ cycles per patient

> Aims:

- To prolong tumor decrease duration (TTG)
- To minimize tumor size (MTS)

> Optimization criteria: $\frac{TTG_{optim}}{TTG_{standard}} + \frac{MTS_{standard}}{MTS_{optim}}$

EVALUATION OF OPTIMIZED PROTOCOLS

- Simulation of the optimized protocol with stochastic differential equations (SDE)
- Description of a random phenomenon (cell mutations) with a stochastic approach
- Robustness evaluation of model and method
- Stochastic equations, on resistant process, for resistant and damaged tissues:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dR}{dt} &= \lambda_R R \left(1 - \frac{T}{100} \right) + \left(\gamma_{DR} + \sigma_{DR} \times \varepsilon \right) AUC(t) D \\ \frac{dD}{dt} &= \gamma_{SD} C(t) S - \mu_D D - \left(\gamma_{DR} + \sigma_{DR} \times \varepsilon \right) AUC(t) D \\ \end{aligned}$$
where $\varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

PATIENT 35 - TMZ optimization



Standard protocol: 10 cycles, every 28 days, 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 1: 10 cycles, every150 days (5 months), 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 2: 15 cycles, every 130 days (4.3 months), 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 3: 20 cycles every 115 days (3.8 months), 200mg/m²/d

Patient 35 - Evaluation of optimized protocol



PATIENT 49 - TMZ Optimization



Standard protocol: 12 cycles, every 28 days, 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 1: 12 cycles, every100 days (3.3 months), 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 2: 17 cycles, every 65 days (2.2 months), 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 3: 22 cycles every 45 days (1.5 months), 200mg/m²/d

PATIENT 49 – EVALUATION OF OPTIMIZED PROTOCOL



PATIENT 44 – TMZ OPTIMIZATION



Standard protocol: 20 cycles, every 28 days, 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 1: 20 cycles, every 72 days (2.4 months), 120mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 2: 10 cycles, every 135 days (4.5 months), 200mg/m²/d

Optimized protocol 3: 15 cycles every 55 days (1.8 months), 90mg/m²/d

PATIENT 44 – EVALUATION OF OPTIMIZED PROTOCOL





CONCLUSION

 Study of LGG patients treated with chemotherapy (PCV and TMZ) Population model to describe tumor dynamics Modification of PCV therapeutic protocol • Optimization of TMZ delivery protocol on an individual level

Limits

 Few patients included in the analysis, in particular with covariates

o No available PK data

WHAT CAN WE DO?

Optimization of TMZ delivery protocol for a population



WHAT CAN WE DO?

- Optimization of TMZ delivery protocol for a population
- Prediction and adjustment of TMZ delivery protocol for a patient



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