Targeting the RAS/MAPK Pathway in Neurofibromatosis Type 1 and Plexiform Neurofibromas

Improving Patient Outcomes With an Innovative Therapeutic Approach

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Time: 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT

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Activity Description

Neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF-1) is a rare autosomal dominant disorder of the nervous system that is associated with significant morbidity, including cutaneous and plexiform neurofibromas, optic pathway gliomas, skin pigmentation, bone deformities, neurocognitive deficits, and an increased risk of several types of cancer. Currently there is only one MEK inhibitor, selumetinib, approved for pediatric patients who have this debilitating rare disease.

This live activity will provide expert insights into the pathophysiology of NF-1, its clinical presentation, and practical guidance for management. In addition, the mechanistic rationale and latest evidence supporting the use of currently approved and emerging targeted therapies for NF-1 will be presented.

Educational Objectives

Upon completion of this CE activity, participants will be able to:

- Describe the genetic etiology, diverse clinical symptomatology, and diagnostic characteristics of neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF-1)
- Review the current treatment landscape and unmet needs for patients with plexiform neurofibromas (PNs) and other NF-1-associated tumors
- Evaluate the rationale for MEK inhibitors and other novel targeted therapies in clinical development for the treatment of NF-1-related benign and malignant tumors (eg, plexiform neurofibromas, optic pathway gliomas, malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumors)
- Summarize recent evidence on the benefits and risks of MEK inhibitors and other emerging targeted therapy options for the management of NF-1-related plexiform neurofibromas and other tumors in pediatric and adult patients
- Incorporate MEK inhibitors into treatment plans for patients with NF-1–related plexiform neurofibromas and other tumors, based on the latest evidence, recommendations, and effective multidisciplinary collaboration and coordination of care

Accreditation, Support, and Credit

In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by Medical Learning Institute, Inc. and PVI, PeerView Institute for Medical Education. Medical Learning Institute, Inc. is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

Support

This activity is supported by an independent educational grant from AstraZeneca.

Physician Continuing Medical Education

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Nursing Continuing Professional Development

Successful completion of this nursing continuing professional development activity will be awarded 1.0 contact hour(s) and no contact hour(s) in the area of pharmacology.

Continuing Pharmacy Education

Medical Learning Institute, Inc. designates this continuing education activity for 1.0 contact hours (0.1 CEUs) of the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education. Universal Activity Number: To be provided on record of participation.

Type of Activity: Knowledge

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