

# DISCHARGE SUMMARY

## PATIENT IDENTIFICATION

Admission 04/06/2025 - 04/14/2025

Attending Physician: Dr. Emma Richardson, Medical Oncology

Consulting Services: Interventional Radiology, Thoracic Surgery

## DIAGNOSIS AT DISCHARGE

Metastatic KRAS G12D-positive non-small cell lung cancer with progression on second-line therapy

1. Status post CT-guided biopsy of new liver lesion for molecular profiling
2. Managed pleural effusion via PleurX catheter placement

## DETAILED ONCOLOGICAL HISTORY

### Initial Diagnosis (December 2022)

Patient initially presented with persistent cough and right-sided chest pain. Chest CT revealed a 3.8 cm right upper lobe mass with right pleural effusion and a 2.5 cm right adrenal mass. Thoracentesis performed on 12/28/2022 yielded malignant cells.

### Histopathology (Initial Diagnosis)

#### CT-guided Biopsy of Right Upper Lobe Mass (12/31/2022):

- **Gross Description:** Three cores of tan-gray lung tissue, each measuring 0.8-1.2 cm in length
- **Microscopic Description:**
  - Infiltrating adenocarcinoma with predominant acinar pattern (60%)
  - Solid component (30%)
  - Micropapillary features (10%)
  - Moderate nuclear pleomorphism with prominent nucleoli
  - Abundant eosinophilic cytoplasm
  - Occasional intracytoplasmic vacuoles
  - Mitotic rate: 8 per 10 HPF
  - Surrounding desmoplastic stroma with moderate lymphocytic infiltration
  - No lepidic growth pattern identified
  - Surrounding lung parenchyma with anthracotic pigment
- **Immunohistochemical Profile:**
  - TTF-1: Strongly positive (90% of tumor cells)

- Napsin A: Positive (diffuse, moderate intensity)
- CK7: Positive
- CK20: Negative
- p40: Negative
- CDX2: Negative
- GATA3: Negative
- Synaptophysin: Focal weak positivity (5% of cells)
- Chromogranin: Negative
- Ki-67: 40% proliferation index
- **Molecular Testing:**
  - Next-Generation Sequencing Panel:
    - KRAS G12D mutation (allelic frequency 35%)
    - TP53 R273H mutation (allelic frequency 42%)
    - STK11 frameshift deletion (p.P281fs\*6)
    - No other actionable alterations (EGFR, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, MET, RET, NTRK all wild-type)
  - PD-L1 (22C3): TPS <1%, CPS 5, IC 3%
  - TMB: Intermediate (8 mutations/Mb)
  - MSI Status: Stable

#### **Pleural Fluid Cytology (12/28/2022):**

- Malignant cells present consistent with adenocarcinoma
- Immunocytochemistry positive for TTF-1 and CK7

#### **Staging**

Clinical stage IVA (cT2bN1M1a) with right adrenal metastasis and malignant pleural effusion.

#### **Treatment Course**

1. **First-Line Therapy:**
  - Carboplatin AUC 5 + Pemetrexed 500 mg/m<sup>2</sup> + Pembrolizumab 200 mg IV q3 weeks
  - Initiated 01/23/2023
  - Completed 4 cycles with partial response
  - Continued pembrolizumab + pemetrexed maintenance
  - Disease progression documented after 11 months (12/2023)
2. **Second-Line Therapy:**
  - Docetaxel 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> + Ramucirumab 10 mg/kg IV q3 weeks
  - Initiated 01/08/2024
  - Initial stable disease for 6 months
  - Disease progression documented on 03/25/2025 scan
3. **Procedures:**
  - Therapeutic thoracentesis (12/2022, 01/2023)
  - Talc pleurodesis (02/2023) - initially successful
  - Repeat thoracentesis for recurrent effusion (03/2025)

## CURRENT ADMISSION DETAILS

### Reason for Admission

Patient was admitted for management of progressive dyspnea due to recurrent pleural effusion and to undergo CT-guided biopsy of newly identified liver lesion for comprehensive resistance mechanism profiling.

### Hospital Course

#### 1. Pleural Effusion Management:

- Diagnostic thoracentesis performed on admission confirmed malignant cells
- PleurX catheter placed by Interventional Radiology on 04/07/2025
- Initial drainage of 1,250 mL of serosanguineous fluid with symptomatic improvement
- Patient and family educated on home management of PleurX catheter

#### 2. Liver Biopsy:

- CT-guided biopsy of segment VII liver lesion performed on 04/08/2025
- Procedure well-tolerated without complications
- Preliminary pathology confirmed metastatic adenocarcinoma consistent with lung primary
- Tissue submitted for comprehensive molecular profiling including RNA sequencing and immune profiling

#### 3. Comprehensive Restaging:

- CT chest/abdomen/pelvis with contrast (04/10/2025) showed:
  - Increase in size of primary RUL mass (4.2 cm from 3.6 cm)
  - Interval development of liver metastases (largest 2.1 cm in segment VII)
  - Stable right adrenal metastasis
  - Moderate right pleural effusion
  - No other new sites of disease

#### 4. Multidisciplinary Tumor Board Discussion (04/13/2025):

- Reviewed complete clinical history and pathology
- Noted co-mutations in KRAS, TP53, and STK11 ("KPS" phenotype) associated with primary resistance to immunotherapy
- Discussed therapeutic options including:
  - Docetaxel monotherapy (lowered efficacy expectations given ramucirumab failure)
  - Gemcitabine-based chemotherapy
  - Clinical trial options: KRAS G12D-directed degrader (Phase I trial at our institution)
  - Expanded molecular and immune profiling may identify additional therapeutic targets

### Histopathology (Current Admission)

**CT-guided Biopsy of Liver Lesion (04/08/2025):**

- **Gross Description:** Four cores of tan-brown liver tissue, each measuring 0.6-1.0 cm in length
- **Microscopic Description:**
  - Metastatic adenocarcinoma involving liver parenchyma
  - Predominantly solid growth pattern (80%)
  - Reduced acinar component (20%) compared to primary tumor
  - Increased nuclear pleomorphism compared to primary tumor
  - Higher mitotic rate (15 per 10 HPF)
  - Focal tumor necrosis (approximately 10% of tumor volume)
  - Surrounding hepatic parenchyma uninvolved
- **Immunohistochemical Profile:**
  - TTF-1: Remains positive (75% of tumor cells)
  - Napsin A: Weakly positive (reduced from primary)
  - CK7: Positive
  - Ki-67: 60% proliferation index (increased from 40% in primary)
  - Additional markers being processed
- **Preliminary Molecular Testing:**
  - KRAS G12D mutation confirmed (allelic frequency 42%)
  - TP53 R273H mutation confirmed
  - STK11 frameshift deletion confirmed
  - Additional comprehensive molecular profiling pending (results expected in 10-14 days)

**Pleural Fluid Cytology (04/06/2025):**

- Malignant cells present consistent with known adenocarcinoma
- Higher nuclear grade compared to previous cytology specimens
- Increased N:C ratio and nuclear irregularity

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## DISCHARGE PLAN

**Medications:**

1. Current home medications to continue
2. Dexamethasone 4 mg PO daily for 5 days, then 2 mg daily for 5 days, then discontinue
3. Hydrocodone/acetaminophen 5/325 mg PO q6h PRN pain
4. Ondansetron 8 mg PO q8h PRN nausea

**Follow-up Appointments:**

1. Medical Oncology (Dr. Richardson): 04/22/2025 at 10:00 AM
  - Review final molecular profiling results
  - Discuss third-line therapy options
  - Consider clinical trial referral

2. Interventional Radiology: 04/21/2025 at 2:00 PM
  - PleurX catheter check
3. Palliative Care: 04/23/2025 at 11:00 AM
  - Symptom management optimization
  - Goals of care discussion

### Home Care Instructions:

1. PleurX catheter drainage:
  - Drain 500-1000 mL every other day or PRN symptoms
  - Record drainage amounts for review at follow-up
  - Call office for increased pain, redness around catheter site, or fever  $>38.0^{\circ}\text{C}$
2. Monitoring:
  - Daily weight
  - Track temperatures twice daily
  - Record pain levels and medication use

### Additional Plans:

1. Complete molecular profiling results anticipated by 04/24/2025
2. Phase I clinical trial screening visit pending molecular results
3. Optimization of symptom management plan at oncology follow-up

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## CONDITION AT DISCHARGE

Patient is hemodynamically stable with improved respiratory status following PleurX catheter placement. Ambulating with minimal assistance. Pain controlled on current regimen. ECOG Performance Status 2 (baseline 1 prior to recent progression).

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