



Study of p27^{Kip1} as an Emerging Prognostic Marker for Breast Duct Carcinomas

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Abstract

p27^{kip1} is an inhibitor of cyclin dependent kinase involved in cell cycle regulation. The present work aimed at studying the value of p27 expression as a potential prognostic marker in breast duct carcinomas. p27 immunodetection was estimated and correlated with other clinicopathological prognostic factors (tumor size, tumor grade and lymph nodal status) and with other known well established prognostic biological markers (ER, PR and HER2/neu). Our results revealed the significant association of decreased p27 level of expression with a more aggressive tumor phenotype, concluding that p27 could be useful in the assessment of prognosis, especially in those cases in which the commonly used parameters are insufficient, and might ultimately influence the therapy of this disease.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

Abl 1: Abelson murine leukemia viral oncogene homolog 1
AG : Adenine Guanine
AKT: protein family, which members are also called protein kinases B (PKB) plays an important role in mammalian cellular signaling. Ak" in Akt was a temporary classification name for a mouse strain developing spontaneous thymic lymphomas. The "t" stands for ‘transforming’
BCL-2: B-cell CLL/lymphoma 2
BR grade: Bloom Richardson grade
BRCA1: Breast cancer susceptibility gene 1
BRCA2: Breast cancer susceptibility gene 2
C : Cytosine
CD: Cathepsin-D
CDKs: Cyclin dependent kinases
CDKN1B: Cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 1B
CKS1B: cyclin-dependent kinase subunit 1B
c-erb-b2: erythroblastic leukemia viral oncogene homolog 2
CHEK2: Cell-cycle checkpoint kinase gene 2
CIS: Carcinoma insitu
CISH: Chromogenic In situ Hybridization
CML: Chronic myelogenous leukaemia
CUL 1: Cullin 1
DCIS: Ductal carcinoma insitu
Del : Deletion
DFS: Disease free survival
DNA: Deoxy ribonucleic acid
EGFR: Epidermal growth factor receptor
ER: Estrogen receptor
FISH: Fluorescence In situ hybridization
FoxO: Forkhead box class O family
Fyn: Proto-oncogene tyrosine-protein kinase Fyn
G0: Gap 0 (Resting phase).
G1: Growth phase 1 (Gap 1).
G2: Growth phase 2 (Gap 2).
GCSF: Granulocyte colony stimulating factor
HER-2/neu: Human Epidermal growth factor Receptor 2
HR: Hazard ratio
HRT: Hormone replacement therapy

ICD-O-3: International Classification of Diseases for Oncology, third revision

IDC: Invasive duct carcinoma

IHC: Immunohistochemistry

INK4: Inhibitors of kinase 4

Ins : Insertion

IRES: Internal ribosome entry site

Ki-67: Antigen identified by monoclonal antibody Ki-67

KIP: Kinase Inhibitor Protein

Lck: Leukocyte-specific protein tyrosine kinase

Lyn: V-src-1 Yamaguchi sarcoma viral related oncogene homolog

M: Mitosis

MEK: Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 1, also known as MAP3K1

MEN: Multiple endocrine neoplasia

MIB1: Mindbomb homolog 1 (*Drosophila*), commonly used monoclonal antibody to detect the Ki-67 antigen

miRNAs: micro ribonucleic acids

MI: Mitotic indices

mRNA: messenger ribonucleic acid

MYC: myelocytomatosis oncogene

NLS: Nuclear localization signal

NSCLC: Non-small cell lung cancers

p: Short arm of the chromosome

PCBs: Polychlorinated biphenyls

PI3Ks: Phosphoinositide 3-kinases

PML: promyelocytic leukaemia protein

PR: Progesterone receptor

PS1 and PS2: Presenilin genes 1 and 2

PSA: Prostate specific antigen

PTB: Polypyrimidine tract-binding protein

PTEN: Phosphatase and tensin homolog

q: long arm of chromosome

RAS: Rat Sarcoma gene

RB: Retinoblastoma gene

RhoA: Ras homolog gene family, member A

RNA: Ribonucleic acid

SCF complex: Skp1, a Cullin subunit, an F-box protein, and the Roc1/Rbx1 protein

Skp1 and 2: S-phase kinase-associated protein 1 and 2

SPF: S-phase fraction

S-phase: Phase of synthesis

Src: Sarcoma inducing gene of Rous sarcoma virus

T : Tyrosine

TDLU: Terminal Duct-Lobular Unit

TGFβ: Transforming growth factor β

Thr: Threonine

TLIs: Thymidine-labeling indices

Tyr: Tyrosine

Ubc: Ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme

uPA: Urokinase plasminogen activator

UTR: Untranslated Region, refers to either of two sections on each side of a coding sequence on a strand of mRNA.