

## **THE RELEVANCE OF RESIDENCY ON THE TUMOR SUPPRESSOR GENES MUTATION OF BREAST CANCER WOMEN AND THEIR RELATIVES**

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### **ABSTRACT**

#### **Background**

Breast cancer is characterized by various malignant tumors arise from breast tissues, Genetic factors, age, reproductive and hormonal factors, diet and environmental factors, socioeconomic factors and some types of benign breast disease are factors related to an increased risk of breast cancer. Tumor suppressor genes are genes whose loss of function results in the promotion of malignancy.

#### **Aim of the Study**

The present study was conducted to verify the relevance of residency on the tumor suppressor gene mutations in breast cancer women and their relatives

#### **Material and Methods**

Three groups of samples were included. The first consisted of 100 blocks of formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissues of breast cancer women (group 1). The second contained blood samples of 46 breast cancer women (group 2). The third comprised blood samples of 46 apparently healthy women who were relatives of the breast cancer patients of group two (group 3). The ages of patients of tissue samples were  $46.78 \pm 11.5$  years, while of blood samples patients were  $47.34 \pm 11.18$  years. The ages of the healthy relatives were  $40.79 \pm 9.84$  years. Five tumor suppressor gene mutations were examined. *BRCA1* 185delAG, *BRCA1* 5382insC and *BRCA2* 6174delT mutations were evaluated by mutagenically separated polymerase chain reaction, while *CHEK2* 1100delC and *Tp53* exon 7 mutations were analyzed by RFLP.

#### **Results**

The amplification of *BRCA1* gene for 185 delAG mutation revealed amplicons of 335 bp for the wild type and 354 bp for the mutant gene, whereas for 5382 insC mutation exhibited 2 amplicons of sizes 271 bp for the wild type and 295 bp for the mutant gene.

The analysis of *BRCA2* 6174 delT mutation indicated 2 amplicons of 151 bp for the wild type and 171 bp for the mutant gene. *Tp53* exon 7 mutation analysis highlighted an amplicon of 125 bp size. Digestion of this amplicon with the Hae III enzyme resulted in 2 fragments with sizes of 83 bp and 42 bp in the wild type. *CHEK2* 1100 delC mutation evaluation showed an amplicon of 116 bp size. Digestion of this amplicon with Sca I enzyme exhibited 2 fragments with sizes of 92 bp and 24 bp before the wild type. Data analysis demonstrated that 27 (27%) out of the 100 enrolled breast cancer

patients of tissue samples have mutations in tumor suppressor genes, 11 (23.9%) out of 46 enrolled breast cancer patients of blood samples have such mutations, while 8 (17.4%) out of 46 relatives have these mutations. Nine (9%) patients of group 1 were indicated to have *BRCA1* 185delAG mutation, while 4 (8.7%) and 3 (6.5%) women from groups 2 and 3 exhibited the same mutation respectively. *BRCA1* 5382insC mutation was identified in 7 (7%), 3 (6.5%) and 1 (2.2%) women of groups 1, 2 and 3 respectively. The *BRCA2* 6174delT mutation was observed in 5 (6%), 2 (4.3%) and 2 (4.3%) women of groups 1, 2 and 3 respectively. Three (3%) patients of group 1 and 1 (2.2%) and 1 (2.2%) women from groups 2 and 3 were found to have *CHEK2* 1100delC respectively. *Tp53* exon 7 mutation was evident in 2 (2%), 1 (2.2%) and 1 (2.2%) women of groups 1, 2 and 3 respectively. No patient had more than one mutation. Residency of breast cancer patients appeared to be independent of the distribution of tumor suppressor gene mutations.

### **Conclusions**

About one quarter of the investigated breast cancer patients have mutations in their tumor suppressor genes and 17% of their relatives have such mutations. Residency of breast cancer patients and the relatives are independent on the tumor suppressor gene mutations.

**KEYWORDS:** Residency, Tumor Suppressor Genes Mutation, Breast Cancer