

## Metastatic Breast Cancer Help

Original BC Dx 10/2011, (50yrs old) had Bilateral Mx, IDC, grade 1, 6cm (couldn't feel it, made up of clusters). ER+ PR+ HER2-. Sentinel node appeared ok, but Path came back positive for micro cells. Onc said chemo should take care of them. 4 rounds Taxotere/Cytoxan, put me into menopause, took Tamoxifen 1 1/2yrs, then due to DVT, switched to Anastrozole for 3 1/2yrs. 1yr after Mx, had Thoracic Laminectomy to remove Meningioma Tumor pressing on spinal cord T5 level. I Suffer tremendously from PMPS and Post Laminectomy Pain Syndrome, on ER Morphine 24/7. All treatments are hard on me, I'm already so compromised. I'm obese, scans say sub-optimal.

4/2017 Dx MBC, 1mo after finishing Anastrozole, unrelated CT found enlarged R Axillary Nodes, biopsy confirmed IDC grade2 ER+PR- HER2-. I'd been having soreness there, but figured it was just part of my chronic pain. PET/CT also showed Mediastinal nodes, ParaTracheal node & Scapula lesion. Did 4mo Xeloda, follow up PET/CT showed some slightly better/some slightly worse & new multiple scattered bilateral pulmonary nodules, too small to biopsy. Started on Ibrance and Faslodex. After 6 cycles, PET/CT again showed some slightly better/some slightly worse. For over a yr now have had increasing pain/nerve/numbness issues from R Axillary, shoulder, down to fingers. Unbearable now, so had MRI which showed 4.3 mass adjacent to Brachial Plexus Nerve, and 1.4cm at T1-T2 poss nerve sheath tumor. Drs don't know why doesn't show on PET/CT. Just completed radiation to area, hoping for some relief. Also did 1st ever scan on Brain since MBC Dx, MRI showed 1.4cm Met lesion L Frontal Lobe, and 1.2cm L Posterior Cerebellum. Just completed SRS to Brain. No idea how long all these spots have been there! Also having heart issues, SOB, high heartrate. Onc didn't have a new plan, lightly threw out we could do Gemzar. Or maybe Exemestane, or both. Not confident, very afraid, not sure what to do. What meds cross BBB? Help pls give me options.

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