

ÇOCUK NÖROLOJİ HASTALARINDA BİREYSEL TEDAVİLER VE GEN TEDAVİLERİ

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GİRİŞ

Son yıllarda çocukluk çağı nadir hastalıklarının moleküler tanı ve tedavi olanakları büyük ölçüde artmıştır. Modern genetik ve moleküler tanı yöntemleri ile etkilenen hastaları doğru bir şekilde tanımlamak ve karakterize etmek mümkün olmaktadır.¹

Pediyatrik nöroloji alanında, hassas tıp özellikle genetik ve moleküler teşhislerdeki ilerlemelerle birlikte, nörolojik bozuklukları olan çocuklar için daha hedefe yönelik ve özelleştirilmiş tedavilerin mümkün hale gelmesiyle önem kazanmıştır. Bu yaklaşım, nadir veya karmaşık durumlara sahip hastaların sonuçlarını ve yaşam kalitesini artırma da büyük bir potansiyele sahiptir.²

Bu bölümde pediatrik nöroloji pratiğinde hedefe yönelik tedavilerden bahsedilecektir.

EPİLEPSİ

Tuberoskleroz Kompleksi

Tuberoskleroz kompleksi (TSC), cilt, merkezi sinir sistemi, kalp, akciğerler ve böbrek gibi birden çok organı etkileyebilen otozomal dominant kalıtan, multisistemik bir nörokütanöz genetik has-

talıktır.³ *TSC1* veya *TSC2* genlerindeki patojenik varyantlardan kaynaklanır, bu da mTOR yolunun aşırı aktivasyonuna ve birçok organda benign tümöral oluşumlara neden olur.⁴ mTOR yolu, protein translasyonunu, hücre döngüsü ilerlemesini ve hipoksiye yanıtı düzenlemek için önemlidir.⁵⁻⁷ TSC'de epilepsinin yönetimi zor olabilir. TSC ve epilepsi hastalarının yaklaşık yüzde 60'ında dirençli epilepsi görülmektedir. Bu tür hastalar için tedavi seçenekleri arasında ketojenik diyet, vigabatrin, vagus sinir stimülasyonu, epilepsi cerrahisi, everolimus ve kannabidiol bulunur.^{8,9}

Everolimus

Everolimus (Afinitor®), mTOR (rapamisininin analogu) serin/treonin kinaz sinyal iletim yolunun oral bir protein kinaz inhibitörüdür.¹⁰ Everolimus, cerrahi rezeksiyon için aday olmayan TSC ile ilişkili subependimal dev hücreli tümörlerin(-SEGA) tedavisinde ve TSC ile ilişkili nöbetleri olan 2 yaşından büyük hastalarda ek tedavi olarak diğer tedavilere yanıt vermeyen hastalarda sıklıkla kullanılmaktadır.¹¹

2011 yılında SEGA'ları ve/veya renal anjiyomiyolipomları olan, komplikasyon riski taşıyan ancak cerrahiye uygun olmayan TSC hastalarının

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telafi edilir. Bu durum SMA'lı hastalarda fenotipik değişkenliğin tamamını olmasa da bir kısmını açıklayan bir mekanizmadır.¹⁴⁴ SMA' da temel tedavi destekleyici tedavidir. Son zamanlarda, SMA umut verici yeni tedaviler geliştirilmiştir. Nusinersen ve risdiplam gibi hastalık modifiye edici tedaviler artık mevcuttur.

Nusinersen

SMN1 ve SMN2'nin kodlamasında farklı olan tek bir nükleotit vardır. SMN2'nin ürettiği protein miktarı SMN1'in ürettiğinden daha az olsa da, bu düşük miktar SMA'nın ciddiyetinin SMN2'nin kopya sayısı ile modüle edilmesi için yeterlidir.^{145,146}

Nusinersen, SMN2'ye yönelik bir antisens oligonükleotittir.¹⁴⁷ SMN2'yi değiştirir, ekson 7'nin dahil edilmesi için pre-RNA eklemesini sağlar ve fonksiyonel SMN proteininin ekspresyonunu artırır. Nusinersen tedavisi 5q -SMA'larda Aralık 2016'da FDA tarafından onaylanmıştır.¹⁴⁸

Nusinersen, 5 ml(12mg) 'lik çözelti içinde intratekal olarak uygulanır. 0. gün, 14. gün, 28. gün ve 63. gün olmak üzere dört yükleme dozu halinde verilir. Sonraki idame dozları her dört ayda bir uygulanır.¹⁴⁹ En sık görülen yan etkiler lomber ponksiyon ile ilişkili yan etkiler olan baş ağrısı ve sırt ağrısıdır.¹⁴⁹ Tromobositopeni, renal toksisite ve hiponatremi nusinersenin diğer bilinen yan etkileridir.¹⁵⁰

Risdiplam

Risdiplam (Evrysdi®), SMA tedavisinde kullanılan ilk oral ilaçtır. SMN2 kopya sayısı 2,3,4 olan non-5q SMA hastalarında ≥ 2 ay ve üstü kullanılabilir.¹⁵¹ SMN2 pre-mRNA uçbirleştirme değiştirici olan risdiplam tam uzunlukta SMN proteini üretimini artırır. İntratekal tedavi ve gen terapilerinden daha güçlü sistemik etkileri vardır. Geniş sistemik etkileri, non-invaziv oluşu ve 2 ayıktan itibaren kullanılabilmesi en önemli avantajıdır. Yan etki profili ile ilgili çalışmalar halen devam etmektedir.¹⁵²

Zolgensma

Onasemnogene abeparvovec, insan SMN geninin tamamen işlevsel bir kopyasını, hedef motor nöron hücrelerine aktaran adeno-ilişkili virüs vektörü bazlı bir gen terapisi. Tek intravenöz uygulama sonucunda hastanın motor nöronlarında SMN proteininin ekspresyonu ile sonuçlanır.^{153,154}

Onasemnogene abeparvovec'in güvenliği ve etkinliği, 2 hafta ile 8 ay arasında infantil başlangıçlı SMA'lı 36 pediatrik hastayı içeren bir klinik çalışmaya dayanmaktadır. İnfantil başlangıçlı SMA hastalarının doğal seyri ile karşılaştırıldığında, onasemnogene abeparvovec ile tedavi edilen hastaların baş kontrolü ve desteksiz oturma becerisi gibi gelişimsel motor becerilerinde önemli bir iyileşme görülmüştür.^{153,154} Onasemnogene abeparvovec genel olarak iyi tolere edilmektedir. Onasemnogene abeparvovec'in en yaygın yan etkileri karaciğer enzimlerinde yükselme ve kusmadır. Hepatotoksisite, genellikle profilaktik prednizolonla hafifletilebilen bilinen bir yan etkidir. Bu nedenle, hastaların karaciğer fonksiyonları onasemnogene abeparvovec uygulamasından sonra en az 3 ay boyunca izlenmelidir.¹⁵⁵

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