

# MORE CAN BE DONE TO OPTIMIZE TGCT PATIENT CARE

## TGCT (TENOSYNOVIAL GIANT CELL TUMOR) IS A RARE NON-MALIGNANT TUMOR AFFECTING THE JOINTS<sup>1,2</sup>

TGCT is sometimes known as PVNS (pigmented villonodular synovitis)<sup>3</sup>

### INCIDENCE:

**5–45** PER MILLION PERSON-YEARS

diffuse-type TGCT (D-TGCT) and nodular-type (N-TGCT), respectively\*<sup>2</sup>

### AGE AT DIAGNOSIS:

**35–50** YEARS<sup>3</sup>

### COMMON SYMPTOMS:

**PAIN, SWELLING, STIFFNESS AND LIMITED RANGE OF MOTION<sup>3</sup>**

### TWO CLINICALLY DISTINCT SUBGROUPS:

#### N-TGCT<sup>†</sup>

- **≈90%** of cases<sup>4</sup>
- Impacts smaller joints<sup>5</sup>
- Well-defined mass<sup>5</sup>
- Does not typically cause pain or joint dysfunction<sup>5</sup>

#### D-TGCT

- **≈10%** of cases<sup>4</sup>
- Impacts larger joints<sup>5</sup>
- Poorly-defined mass<sup>5</sup>
- More aggressive and destructive<sup>5</sup>

## TGCT CAN LEAD TO CONSIDERABLE PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL BURDEN<sup>6–8</sup>

### Physical and psychological burden<sup>6,7</sup>

**92%** REPORTED PAIN<sup>†6</sup>  
(n=457/497)

**85%** REPORTED LIMITED RANGE OF MOTION<sup>†6</sup>  
(n=423/497)

**83%**  
(n=410/497)

REPORTED JOINT STIFFNESS/TIGHTNESS<sup>†6</sup>

**19%** PRESENTED WITH AT LEAST MODERATE ANXIETY OR DEPRESSION<sup>†7</sup>  
(n=25/135)

### Disruption to professional and social life<sup>6,8</sup>

**63%** WERE UNABLE TO PERFORM SPORT ACTIVITIES<sup>§8</sup>  
(n=187/299)

**23%**  
(n=115/497)

CHANGED OCCUPATION OR RETIRED PREMATURELY DUE TO TGCT<sup>†6</sup>

\*Incidence rates in The Netherlands (2009–2013).<sup>2</sup> †N-TGCT, also known as localized-type TGCT, is best referred to as nodular TGCT per the International Clinical Consensus.<sup>3</sup> ‡The TGCT Support Registry (launched 2022), collected questionnaire data every six months on patients' experiences. N=497 across 32 countries: diffuse (n=355), localized (n=94) and unknown subtype (n=48). Data cutoff: October 6 2022–December 6 2023.<sup>6</sup> §Outcome from an EU subgroup analysis of TOPP (N=137), a prospective, observational study of patients with D-TGCT. Data was collected

at baseline (12-month period prior to entry) and after 12 months of follow-up.<sup>7</sup> §Members of the TGCT Facebook group, PVNS is Pants!!, completed a 6-month e-survey. Total: 337 responses from 30 countries (N-TGCT n=72; D-TGCT n=237; unknown subtype n=28).<sup>8</sup> D-TGCT, diffuse-type TGCT; N-TGCT, nodular-type TGCT; PVNS, pigmented villonodular synovitis; TGCT, tenosynovial giant cell tumor; TOPP, TGCT Observational Platform Project. This material is intended for healthcare professionals in Europe only. DCPH-P02279 | September 2026

## MEDIAN TIME TO A TGCT DIAGNOSIS IS ≈18 MONTHS<sup>9</sup>



Symptoms are generally non-specific<sup>1</sup>

Contrast MRI (gadolinium-enhanced)<sup>3</sup>

BIOPSY  
A biopsy may be required for complex cases to confirm diagnosis<sup>3</sup>

### DELAYED DIAGNOSIS

- TGCT is a slow, progressive disease with subtle radiographic changes, making early detection difficult<sup>9,10</sup>
- Patients often visit multiple HCPs before receiving a TGCT diagnosis<sup>1</sup>

### MISDIAGNOSIS

- TGCT can be mistaken for other conditions (e.g., rheumatoid arthritis)<sup>1,11</sup>

### UNTREATED PATIENTS

- If left untreated, TGCT can become debilitating. Significant functional impairment is a potential complication<sup>9</sup>

### ADVANCED DISEASE

- Diagnosis delays may result in disease progression, and further joint destruction<sup>11,12</sup>

## SURGERY IS THE STANDARD OF CARE FOR SYMPTOMATIC TGCT BUT IS NOT ALWAYS CURATIVE<sup>3</sup>

### N-TGCT

- Risk of recurrence: up to **15%**<sup>13-16</sup>
- Typically allows total resection<sup>10</sup>
- Generally, patients report excellent or good clinical results with surgery<sup>10</sup>

### D-TGCT

- Risk of recurrence: **72%**<sup>6</sup>
- Incomplete tumor removal is common, leading to worse clinical outcomes<sup>17</sup>

### Patients may not be eligible for surgery for a number of reasons:

TUMOR LOCATION/COMPLEXITY<sup>3,18</sup>

REPEATED SURGERY CAN CAUSE FURTHER JOINT DAMAGE<sup>17</sup>

COMORBIDITIES<sup>19,20</sup>

### Challenges in the management of TGCT



#### CHEMOTHERAPY

Not indicated for TGCT<sup>3</sup>



#### RADIO THERAPY/CRYOTHERAPY

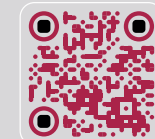
Insufficient data to support the treatment of TGCT<sup>3</sup>



#### SYSTEMIC THERAPIES

Availability of therapies may differ across countries<sup>3,18</sup>

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## PATIENTS AFFECTED BY TGCT SHOULD BE MANAGED WITHIN EXPERT CENTERS BY A DEDICATED, EXPERIENCED SARCOMA MULTIDISCIPLINARY TREATMENT TEAM<sup>3</sup>

D-TGCT, diffuse-type TGCT; HCP, healthcare professional; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; N-TGCT, nodular-type TGCT; TGCT, tenosynovial giant cell tumor.

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