

EHNS-ESTRO multidisciplinary teaching course on H&N oncology

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MULTIDISCIPLINARY MANAGEMENT OF HEAD AND NECK ONCOLOGY

26 - 29 June 2016
Florence, Italy



TARGET GROUP

This multidisciplinary course organised as a collaboration between ESTRO and EHNS (European Head and Neck Society) is meant for specialists and trainees with interest and expertise in head and neck surgery (head and neck surgeons, oto-rhino-laryngologists, maxillo-facial surgeons, reconstructive surgeons, etc.), radiation oncologists, medical oncologists and other medical specialties involved in the treatment of patients with head and neck cancer.

BACKGROUND

Over the last decade tremendous progress has been made in the biological understanding and management of patients with head and neck cancer. Significant progress has been made in tumour profiling and in the identification of relevant clinical characteristics, which rapidly led to the elaboration of tailored treatments. Functional imaging has emerged as a complementary modality to anatomic imaging methods for better staging, treatment response evaluation and optimal treatment targeting. Surgery has significantly improved, in particular with better reconstruction techniques reducing the limits of operability. Randomised studies have demonstrated the increasing role of combined modality approaches with chemotherapy and biological targeted therapies. New radiation techniques, expected to impact on survival and quality of life of head and neck patients, have taken off and are being validated.

COURSE AIM

The course aims to be interactive through integration of multidisciplinary lectures and more focused workshops. The faculty includes renowned European experts involved in the multidisciplinary treatment of head and neck cancer.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course participants should be able to:

- Understand the evolving concepts of head and neck epidemiology and tumour biology, with special focus on squamous cell histotype. Rare histotypes will be also included.
- Interpret complex head and neck imaging for the purpose of treatment decision making and therapy
- Make judgements regarding multidisciplinary reasoning and management of tumours in the light of alternative and sometime competing treatment options including surgery and the role of systemic and targeted therapies
- Make judgements about the availability of evidences for treatment recommendations
- Understand the challenges of supportive care
- Understand the principles and practice of modern radiotherapy.

COURSE CONTENT

- Anatomy (clinical and radiologic aspects) incidence, pathology, risk factors (including HPV) of head and neck tumours
- Clinical work-up for oral cavity and pharyngo-laryngeal tumours, staging and follow up
- "Organ preservation" approach
- Rationale for unconventional radiotherapy fractionation, hypoxic sensitisers, concomitant chemo, EGFR inhibitors and new targeted agents
- Management of oral cavity tumours: medical oncology, surgery and radiotherapy (including brachytherapy)
- Management of nasopharyngeal carcinoma
- Management of oropharyngeal tumours: medical oncology, surgery and radiotherapy (including brachytherapy)
- Management of hypopharyngeal and laryngeal tumours: surgery, radiotherapy and medical oncology chemotherapy approach
- Management of nasal cavity and para-nasal sinus



- tumours: surgery, radiotherapy and medical oncology chemotherapy approach
- Management of the neck nodes
 - Concepts behind selection and delineation of target volumes in radiotherapy
 - Morbidity (acute and late) of treatment
 - Supportive care during and after treatment
 - Metastatic disease
 - Management of recurrent tumours
 - Second primary tumours.

PREREQUISITES

Before commencing this course, participants should have a medical degree with strong interest in head and neck tumour management from the radiation oncology, medical oncology or head and neck surgery point of view.

FACULTY

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TEACHING METHODS

- 20 lecture hours
- 5 case discussion hours
- Delineation exercises.

METHODS OF ASSESSMENT

- MCQ
- Delineation exercises
- Evaluation form.

KEY WORDS

Multidisciplinary head and neck oncology, evidence based medicine.

FURTHER READING

Please consult the ESTRO website page of this course for further information.

ACCREDITATION

Application for CMEB recognition will be submitted to the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME), an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS). EACCME credits are recognised by the American Medical Association towards the Physician's Recognition Award (PRA). Information on the status of the applications can be obtained from the ESTRO office.

Application for ESMO-MORA points is submitted to ESMO the European Society for Medical Oncology representing medical oncologists. Information on the status of the applications can be obtained from the ESTRO office.



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House keeping announcement

- MCQ
- Evaluation
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Anatomy of the Head and Neck area

Clinical & radiological aspects

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- The Netherlands



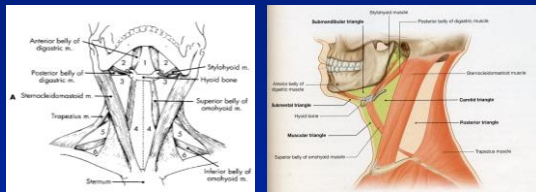
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Contents

- Fascial anatomy
- Spatial anatomy

Traditional Anatomy

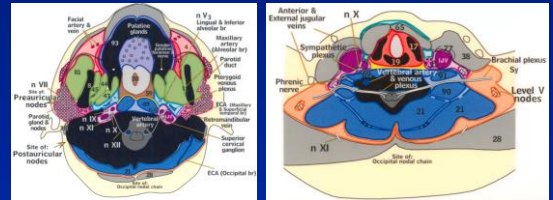


6 triangles divided by muscles

Useful for surgeons

Fascial Anatomy

Spaces defined by layers of the Cervical Fascia



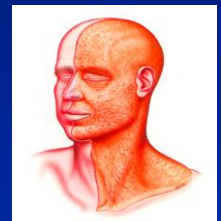
Useful for imaging specialists

Fascial layers

- Superficial cervical fascia
- Deep cervical fascia

Superficial Cervical Fascia

- Loose connective tissue
- Platysma muscle
- Muscles of facial expression

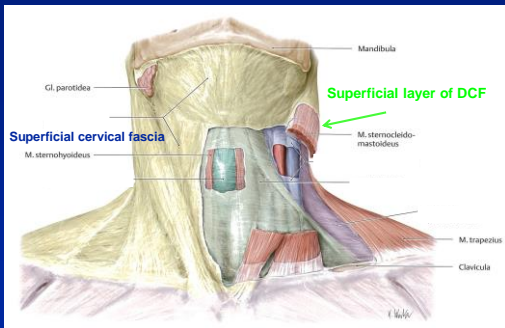
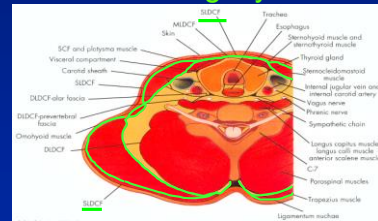


Deep Cervical fascia (DCF)

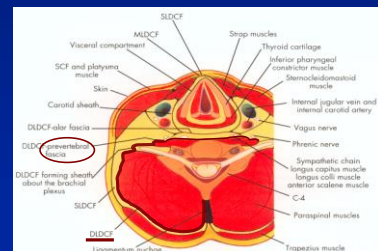
Three layers:

- Superficial layer (SLDCF)
- Middle layer (MLDCF)
- Deep layer (DLDCF)

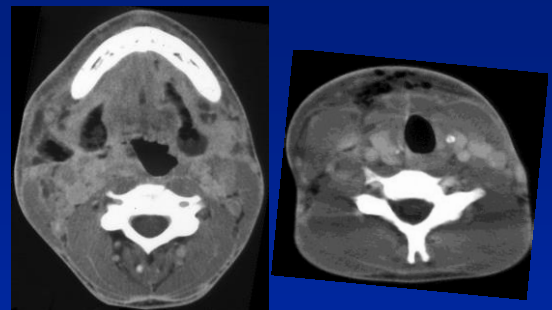
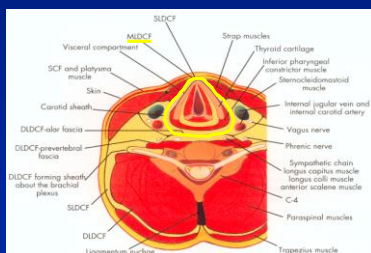
Superficial layer of DCF (SLDCF) 'investing layer'



Deep layer of DCF (DLDCF)



Middle layer of DCF (MLDCF) 'visceral layer'



Necrotizing fasciitis

DCF layers Relevance

- 19th century; 3 layers of DCF described by anatomists
- 20th century; rediscovered by surgeons dissecting abscess pockets
 - Pathology tends to stay 'compartmental'

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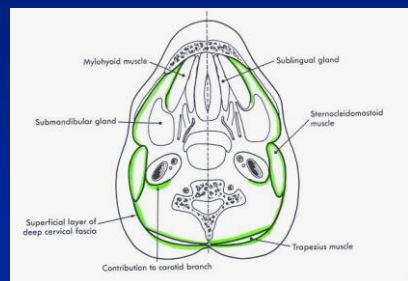
- Fascial anatomy
- Spatial anatomy



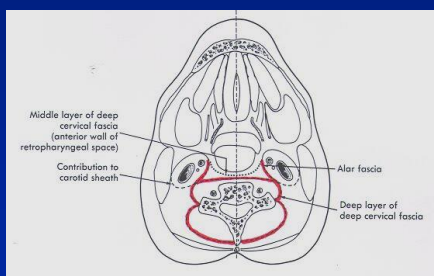
Anatomy of the head and neck Spatial approach

- Deep Cervical Fascia (DCF): 3 layers
- These layers define 'spaces'

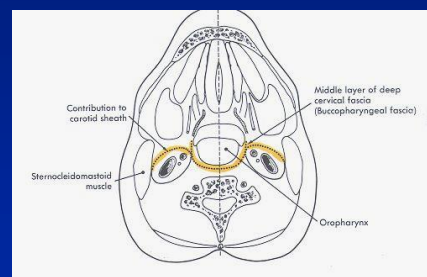
Superficial layer of DCF



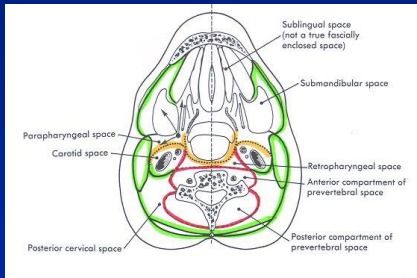
Deep layer of DCF



Middle layer of DCF



Three layers of DCF



Anatomy of the head and neck Spatial approach

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- Spaces are oriented in the axial plane

Anatomy of the head and neck Spatial approach

- Deep Cervical Fascia 3 layers
- These layers define 'spaces'
- Spaces are oriented in the axial plane
- Useful for analyzing axial cross-sectional images (CT / MRI)

Spaces defined by DCF

- Parapharyngeal = Prestyloid PPS *
- Pharyngeal mucosal
- Masticator
- Parotid
- Carotid = Poststyloid PPS *
- Retropharyngeal / Danger
- Perivertebral

* Mukherji et al. Rad Clin of N Am 1998; 36; 761-780

Clinical suspicion of head & neck mass

What is expected of the radiologist?

- Correct identification of space of origin
 - normal spatial anatomy
 - radiographic pattern recognition
 - integration of clinical information
- Limited **space-specific** DD

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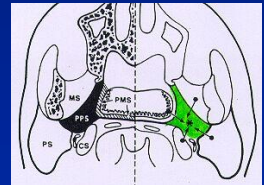
- Correct identification of space of origin
 - normal spatial anatomy
 - radiographic pattern recognition
 - integration of clinical information
- Limited space-specific DD
- Bottom-line: If you know the spaces, you don't have to know the 3 layers of DCF (in detail)

Spaces defined by DCF

- | | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| ● Parapharyngeal | PPS |
| ● Parotid | PS |
| ● Pharyngeal mucosal | PMS |
| ● Masticator | MS |
| ● Carotid | CS |
| ● Retropharyngeal / Danger | RPS / DS |
| ● Perivertebral | PVS |

Parapharyngeal space (PPS)

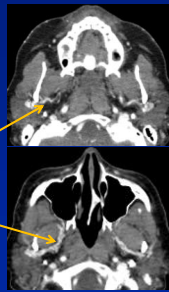
Central location



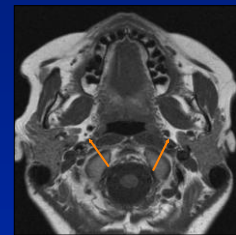
Parapharyngeal space (PPS)

Contents

- **FAT**
 - easy to see on routine CT / MRI
- **Vessels**
 - internal maxillary / ascending pharyngeal art.
 - pharyngeal venous plexus



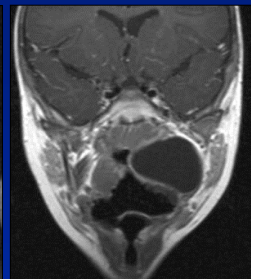
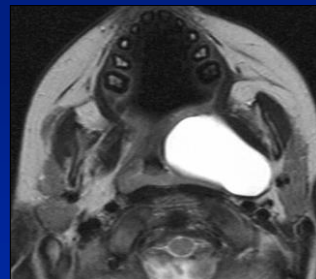
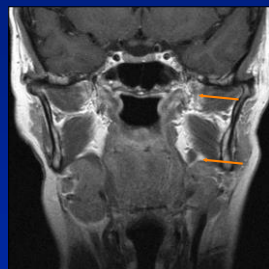
PPS



Fat easily recognized on CT / MR

PPS

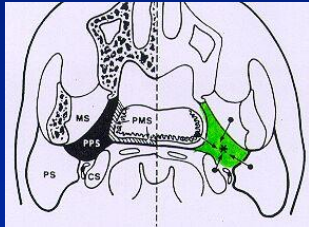
- From skull base → submandibular gland
- Allows smooth motion during mastication
- Primary lesions PPS rare
 - Salivary gland remnants
 - Branchiogenic anomaly



Branchial arch cyst

PPS: Strategic location

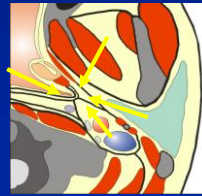
Lateral PS
 Medial PMS
 Anterior MS
 Posterior CS



Head and neck lesions

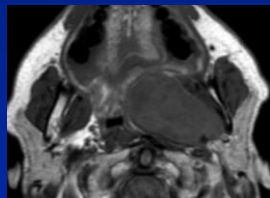
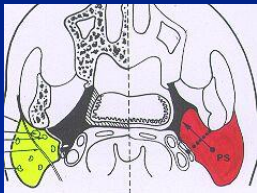
Frequent: invade or displace PPS

Rare: arise within PPS



- Parotid space
- Pharyngeal mucosal space
- Masticator Space
- Carotid Space

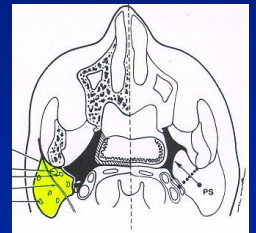
Parotid space Mass



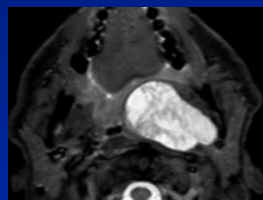
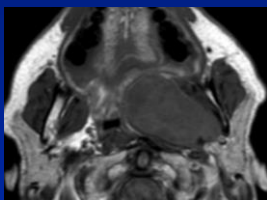
Parotid space (PS)

Contents

- Parotid gland
 - superficial / deep lobe
 - intra / peri-parotid lymph nodes
- Facial nerve (VII)
- Vessels
 - retromandibular vein (lateral)
 - external carotid artery (medial)



PS Mass

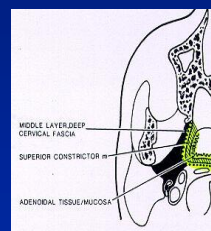


Pleomorphic adenoma

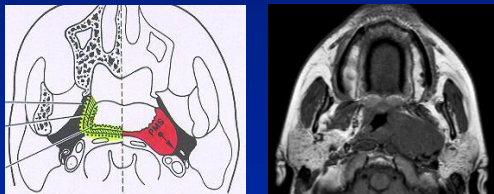
Pharyngeal mucosal space (PMS)

Contents

- Mucosa (SCCa !)
 - Lymphoid tissue
 - Minor salivary glands
- Pharyngobasilar fascia



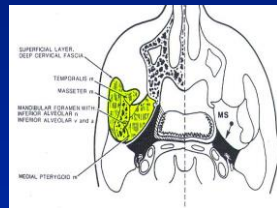
PMS Mass



Nasopharyngeal carcinoma

Masticator space (MS)

- Muscles of mastication
 - med. / lat. pterygoid, masseter, temporalis
- Nerves
 - V3 motor, V3 sensory (inf. alveolar nerve)
- Mandible
 - Ramus / posterior body



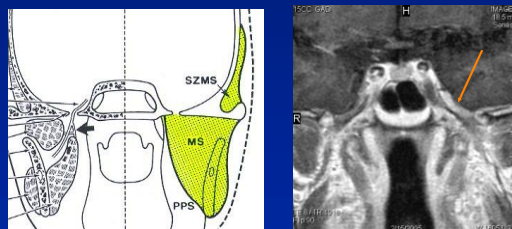
MS Mass



Juvenile fibromatosis

MS

Relationship to foramen ovale



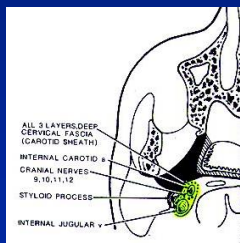
Perineural tumor spread along V3

Carotid space (CS)

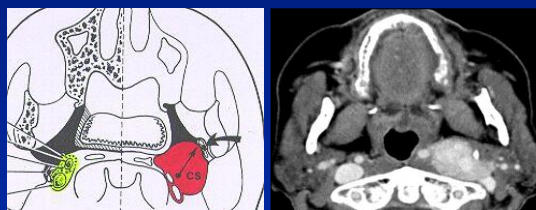
"Poststyloid Parapharyngeal space"

Contents

- Vessels
 - (I)CA, IJV
- Nerves
 - cranial nerves: IX, X, XI, XII
 - sympathetic plexus
- Lymph nodes
 - deep cervical chain (jugulodigastric)

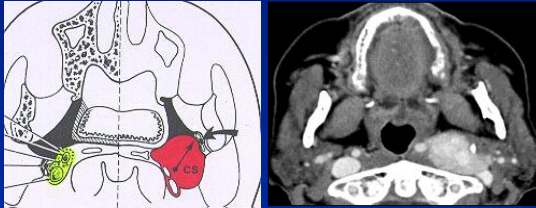


CS Mass



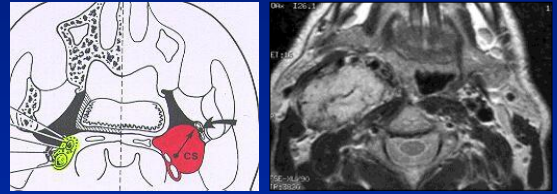
DD: neurogenic tumor / paraganglioma

CS Mass



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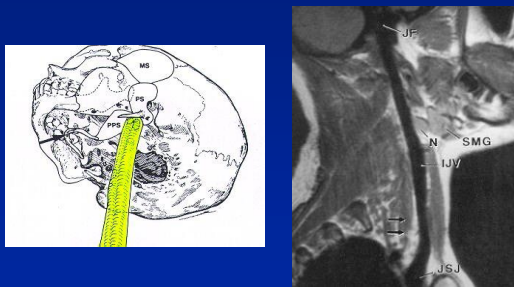
CS Mass



paraganglioma

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CS: "elevator space"



Spaces defined by DCF

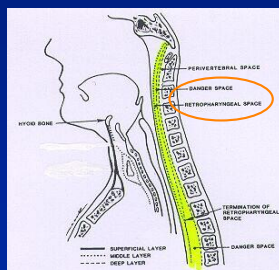
- Parapharyngeal PPS
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Retropharyngeal space (RPS)

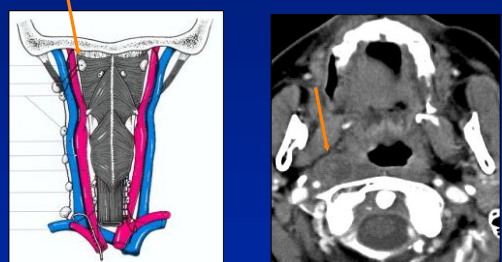
Contents

- Fat
- Lymph nodes
 - lateral retropharyngeal (Rouvière)

CT/MR cannot differentiate from "danger space"

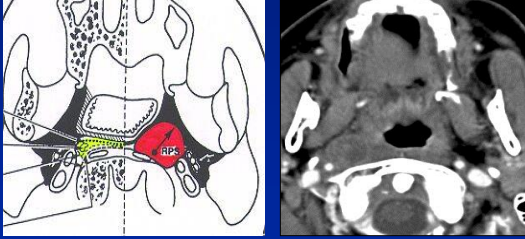


Retropharyngeal nodes

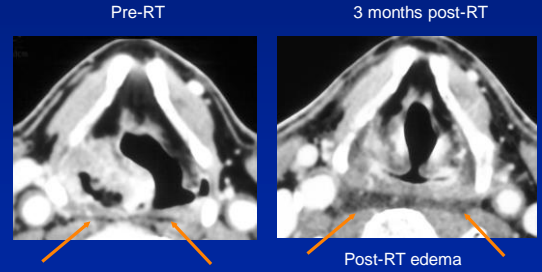


C1 – C3 level

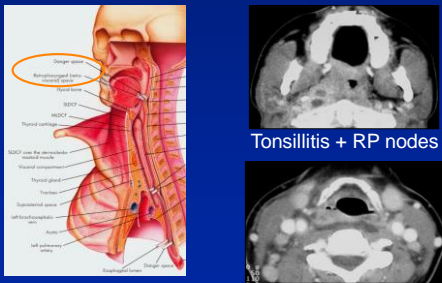
RPS Mass



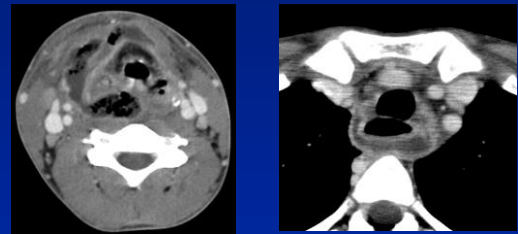
Lower RPS: virtual space



Retropharyngeal space / Danger space 'Elevator space'



Retropharyngeal space / Danger space



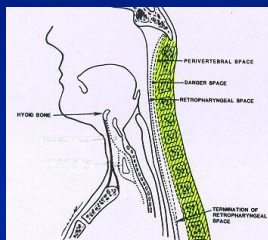
Neck abscess extending into mediastinum

Perivertebral space (PVS)

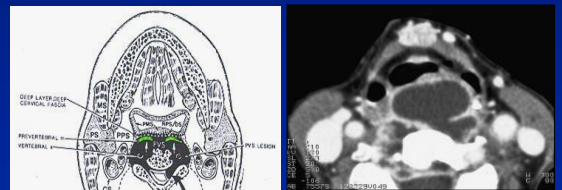
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PVS: Prevertebral / Paraspinal portion

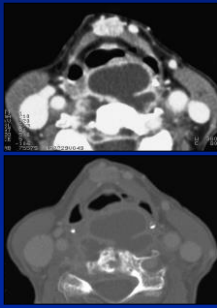
- Muscles
 - scalene, prevertebral / paraspinal
- Nerves
 - brachial plexus, phrenic
- Vertebral artery / vein
- Vertebral body



PVS Mass prevertebral portion

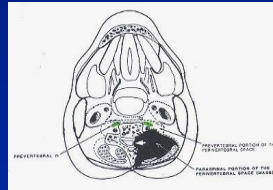


PVS Mass: Prevertebral portion



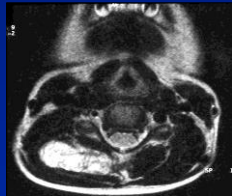
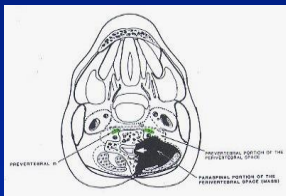
NHL C5 with prevertebral abscess extending in retropharyngeal space

PVS Mass paraspinal portion



Sarcoma

PVS Mass paraspinal portion

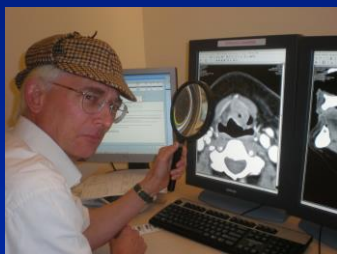


Lipoma

Contents

- Fascial anatomy
- Spatial anatomy

Head & Neck Anatomy is **Great**



Anatomy of the Head and Neck area

Clinical & radiological aspects

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INCIDENCE, PATHOLOGY, RISK FACTORS (INCLUDING BUT NOT ONLY HPV) OF SCC



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Surveillance of Rare Cancers in Europe



The following list presents the number of cases reported by European Cancer Registries during the period 1995-2002 and the corresponding incidence rates. Both figures are derived from the data of 70 population-based cancer registries adhering to the RARECARE project

Rate: Incidence considered as number of cases / 100,000 persons / year

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Surveillance of Rare Cancers in Europe



| Tumour | Rate | Patients |
|--|-------------|---------------|
| Epithelial Tumours of Oral Cavity and Lip | 4,79 | 38.537 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of oral cavity | 3,28 | 26.422 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of lip | 1,22 | 9.854 |
| Epithelial Tumours of Oropharynx | 2,75 | 22.104 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of oropharynx | 2,58 | 20.795 |

Rate: Incidence considered as number of cases / 100,000 persons / year

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| Tumour | Rate | Patients |
|---|-------------|---------------|
| Epithelial Tumours of Hypopharynx and Larynx | 6,26 | 50.360 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of hypopharynx | 1,19 | 9.550 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of larynx | 4,64 | 37.330 |

Rate: Incidence considered as number of cases / 100,000 persons / year

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Surveillance of Rare Cancers in Europe



| Tumour | Rate | Patients |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| Epithelial Tumours of Nasopharynx | 0,44 | 3.566 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of nasopharynx | 0,33 | 2.630 |
| Papillary adenocarcinoma of nasopharynx | <0.01 | 7 |
| Epithelial Tumours of Nasal Cavity and Sinuses | 0,44 | 3.555 |
| Squamous cell carcinoma with variants of nasal cavity and sinuses | 0,31 | 2.498 |
| Lymphoepithelial carcinoma of nasal cavity and sinuses | <0.01 | 19 |
| Undifferentiated carcinoma of nasal cavity and sinuses | 0,02 | 139 |
| Intestinal type adenocarcinoma of nasal cavity and sinuses | <0.01 | 20 |

Rate: Incidence considered as number of cases / 100,000 persons / year

POPULATION

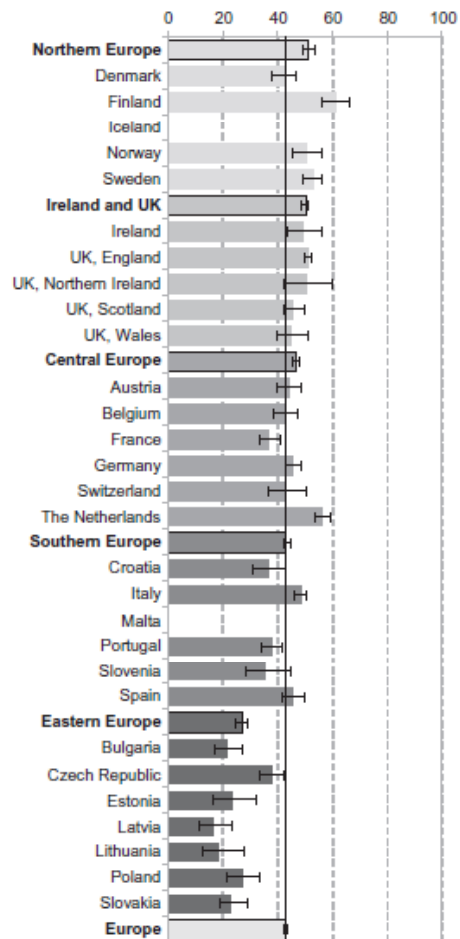
- First and subsequent malignant H&N cancers diagnosed in adults up to the end of 2007 and followed up until 31st December 2008
- 238,608 cases were contributed by 86 population-based cancer registries (CRs) from 29 European countries
- Sites: tongue, lingual tonsil and oral cavity, oropharynx and tonsil, nasopharynx, hypopharynx and larynx; (nasal cavities, thyroid and salivary glands excluded)

Number of Head and neck cancers included in the study by country and European region. Proportion of cases ascertained by microscopic verification and cases codified as larynx not otherwise specified

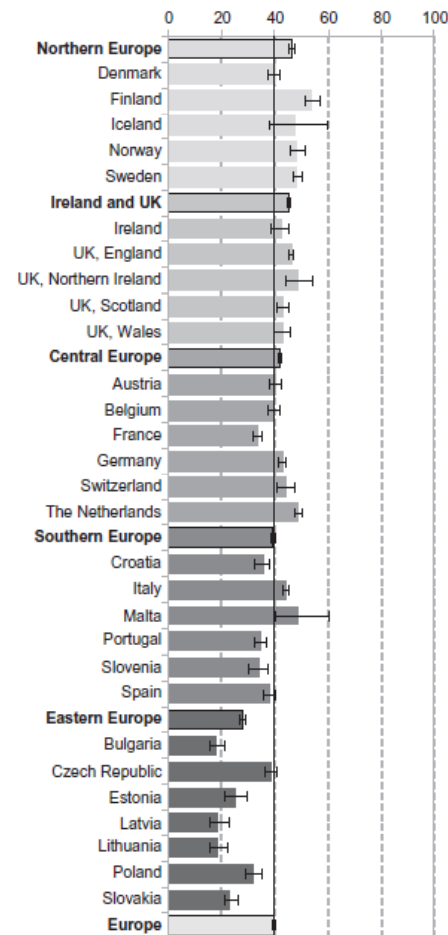
| | Number of cases | % Tumours microscopically verified | % Tumours C32.9 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| <i><u>Northern Europe</u></i> | <u>19,919</u> | 99 | 30.3 |
| Denmark | 6747 | 99 | 30.5 |
| Finland | 3398 | 99 | 87.4 |
| Iceland | 161 | 100 | 29.3 |
| Norway | 3324 | 99 | 6.7 |
| Sweden | 6289 | 100 | 10.7 |
| <i><u>Ireland and UK</u></i> | <u>58,676</u> | 95 | 22.6 |
| Ireland | 2865 | 98 | 10.0 |
| UK, England | 44,214 | 95 | 25.6 |
| UK, Northern Ireland | 1464 | 95 | 19.2 |
| UK, Scotland | 7138 | 98 | 15.6 |
| UK, Wales | 2995 | 85 | 12.2 |
| <i><u>Central Europe</u></i> | <u>71,655</u> | 99 | 17.7 |
| Austria | 8687 | 99 | 47.2 |
| Belgium | 8368 | 99 | 19.5 |
| France | 9659 | 99 | 25.8 |
| Germany | 24,985 | 98 | 18.5 |
| Switzerland | 2915 | 99 | 15.0 |
| The Netherlands | 17,041 | 99 | 0.6 |
| <i><u>Southern Europe</u></i> | <u>48,759</u> | 96 | 35.1 |
| Croatia | 7647 | 87 | 71.8 |
| Italy | 22,683 | 96 | 29.3 |
| Malta | 356 | 97 | 11.6 |
| Portugal | 7799 | 99 | 51.8 |
| Slovenia | 3061 | 99 | 7.5 |
| Spain | 7213 | 99 | 11.6 |
| <i><u>Eastern Europe</u></i> | <u>39,599</u> | 96 | 36.7 |
| Bulgaria | 8517 | 96 | 35.5 |
| Czech Republic | 11,582 | 98 | 20.5 |
| Estonia | 1417 | 96 | 13.5 |
| Latvia | 2280 | 91 | 39.9 |
| Lithuania | 3350 | 95 | 51.2 |
| Poland | 5333 | 94 | 77.3 |
| Slovakia | 7120 | 97 | 8.4 |
| <i>Europe</i> | <u>238,608</u> | 97 | 27.8 |

Age-specific and age-standardised 5Y relative survival for cases diagnosed in 2000–2007, by European region, country, gender and overall

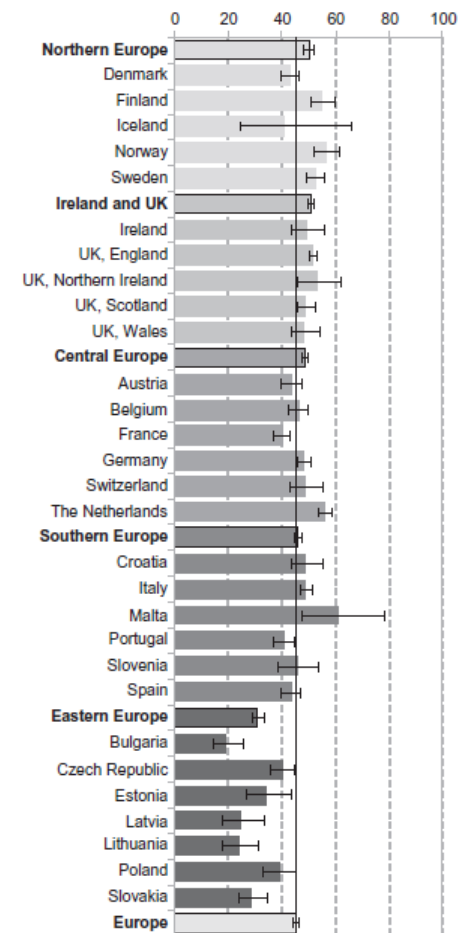
**all cases combined
(larynx excluded)**



**tongue and lingual
tonsil cancer**

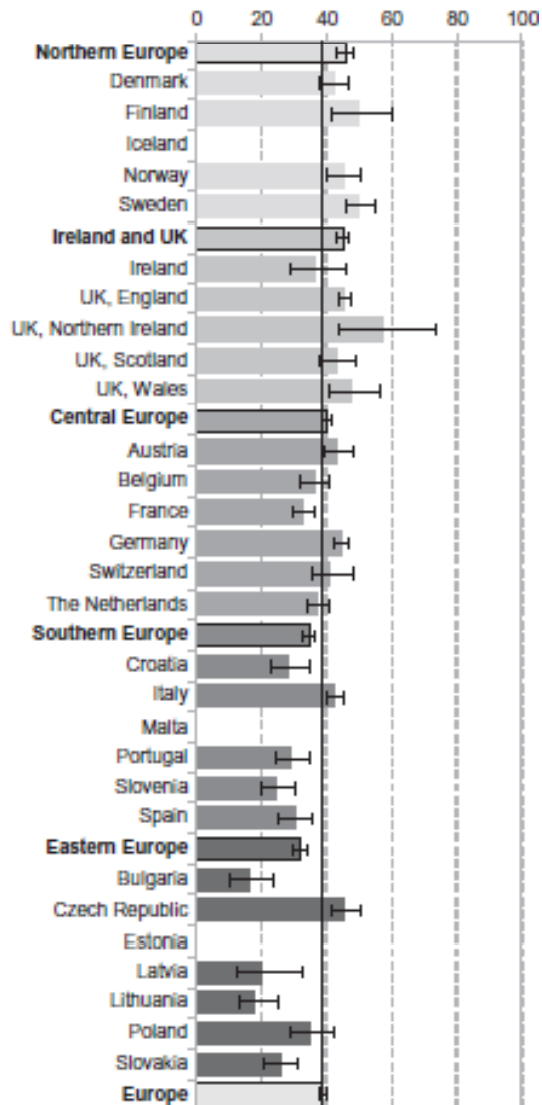


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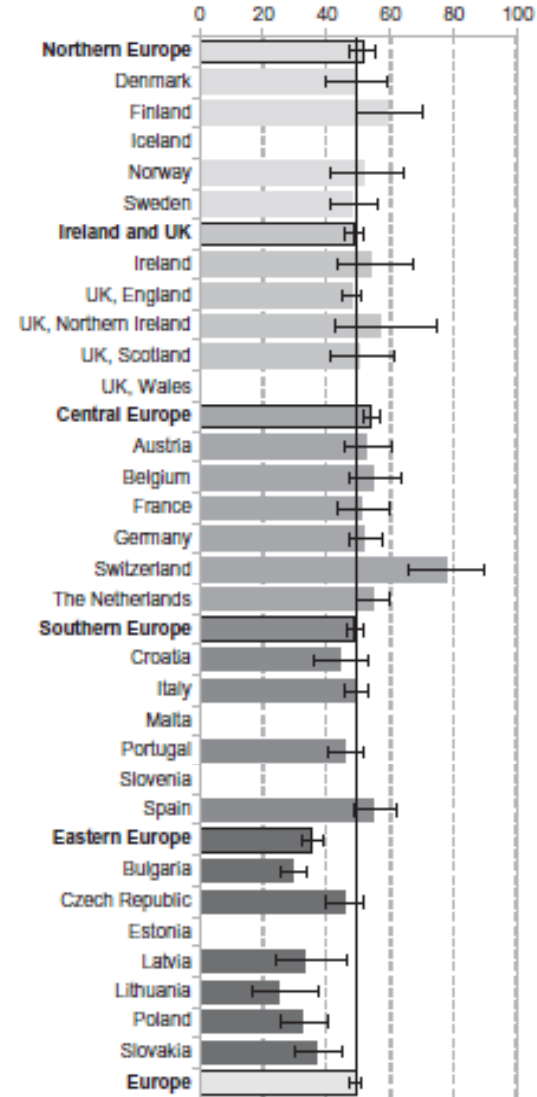


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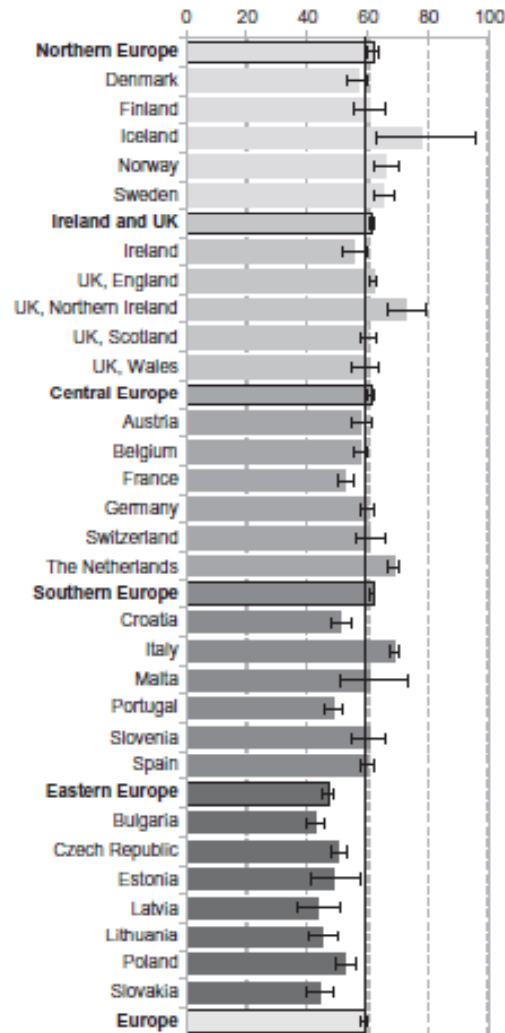


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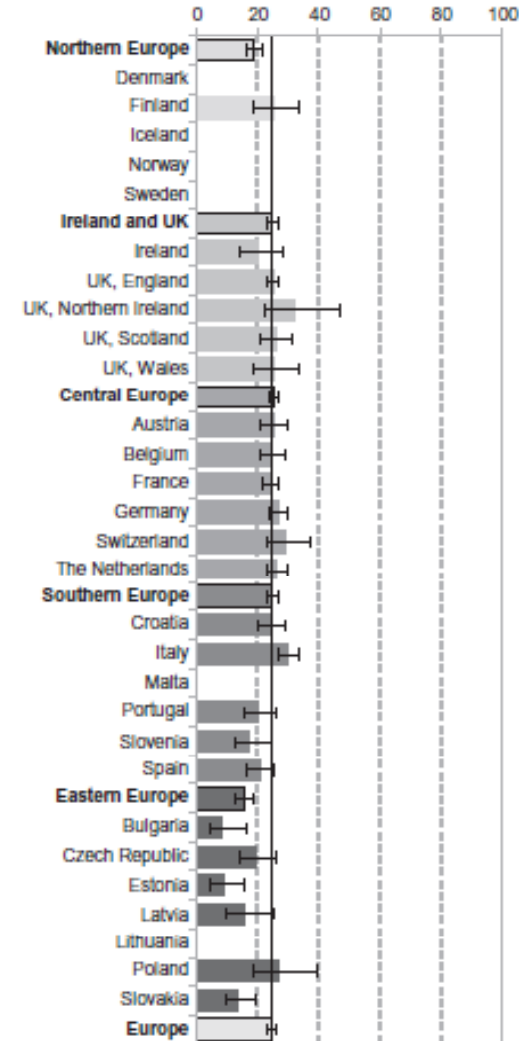


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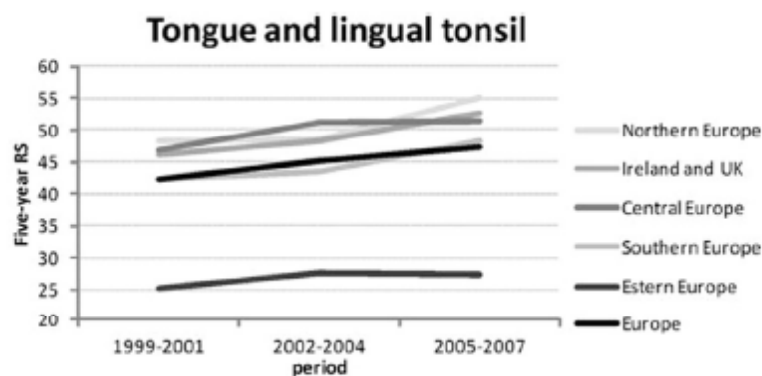
laryngeal cancer



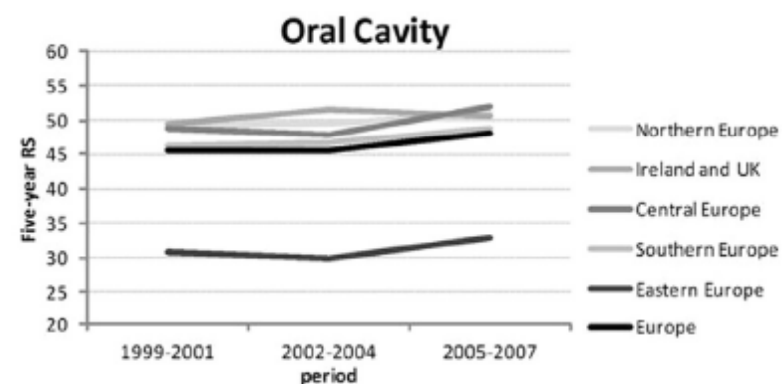
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Time trend in age-standardised relative survival (RS, %) for head and neck cancer patients across European regions by site period 2005–2007 versus period 1999–2001

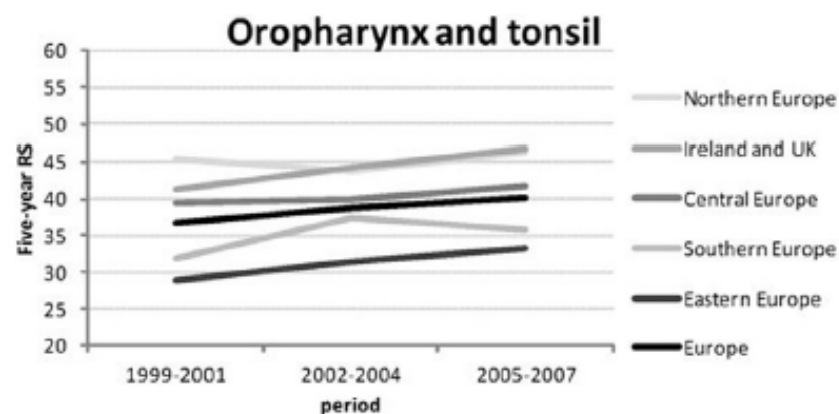


| | 1999-2001 | 2002-2004 | 2005-2007 | p-value ^a |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Northern Europe | 48.2 | 48.6 | 55.1 | 0.003 |
| Ireland and UK | 46.0 | 48.3 | 52.7 | 0.000 |
| Central Europe | 46.8 | 51.3 | 51.4 | 0.018 |
| Southern Europe | 42.1 | 43.4 | 48.4 | 0.020 |
| Eastern Europe | 25.2 | 27.7 | 27.4 | 0.209 |
| Europe | 42.3 | 45.2 | 47.4 | 0.000 |

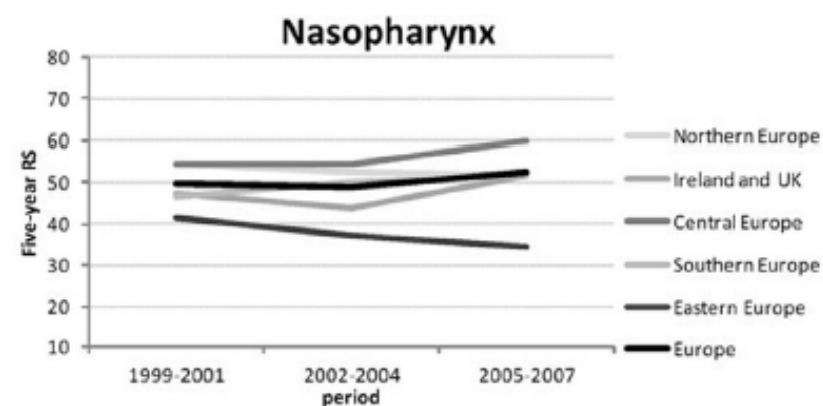


| | 1999-2001 | 2002-2004 | 2005-2007 | p-value ^a |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Northern Europe | 49.3 | 49.5 | 51.0 | 0.193 |
| Ireland and UK | 49.6 | 51.5 | 50.7 | 0.189 |
| Central Europe | 48.8 | 47.9 | 52.0 | 0.045 |
| Southern Europe | 46.2 | 46.8 | 48.7 | 0.181 |
| Eastern Europe | 30.8 | 29.8 | 32.9 | 0.216 |
| Europe | 45.6 | 45.5 | 48.1 | 0.012 |

Time trend in age-standardised relative survival (RS, %) for head and neck cancer patients across European regions by site period 2005– 2007 versus period 1999–2001

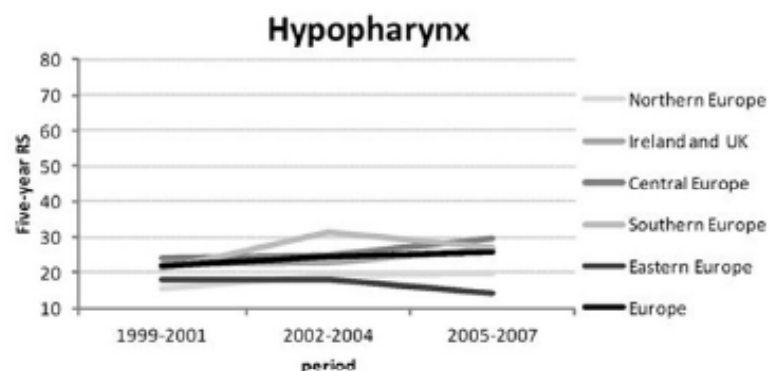


| | 1999-2001 | 2002-2004 | 2005-2007 | p-value ^a |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Northern Europe | 45.4 | 43.8 | 46.2 | 0.390 |
| Ireland and UK | 41.4 | 44.2 | 46.7 | 0.005 |
| Central Europe | 39.5 | 39.9 | 41.8 | 0.172 |
| Southern Europe | 32.0 | 37.3 | 35.8 | 0.108 |
| Eastern Europe | 28.9 | 31.5 | 33.4 | 0.056 |
| Europe | 36.7 | 38.8 | 40.1 | 0.006 |

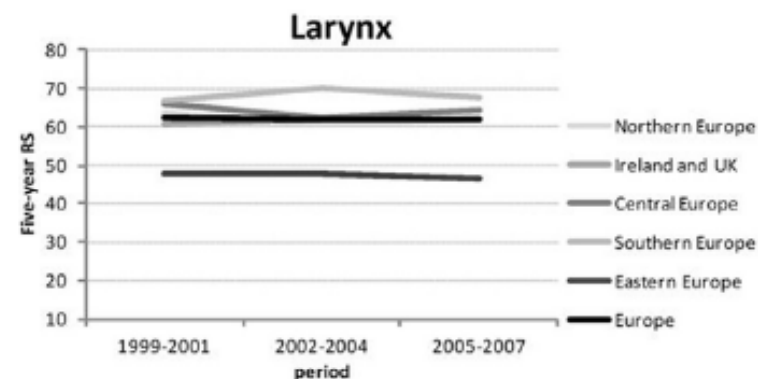


| | 1999-2001 | 2002-2004 | 2005-2007 | p-value ^a |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Northern Europe | 54.3 | 52.3 | 51.8 | 0.287 |
| Ireland and UK | 47.4 | 43.9 | 51.7 | 0.060 |
| Central Europe | 54.5 | 54.3 | 60.1 | 0.079 |
| Southern Europe | 46.7 | 50.0 | 51.8 | 0.129 |
| Eastern Europe | 41.4 | 37.3 | 34.4 | 0.023 |
| Europe | 49.6 | 49.0 | 52.5 | 0.080 |

Time trend in age-standardised relative survival (RS, %) for head and neck cancer patients across European regions by site period 2005– 2007 versus period 1999–2001



| | 1999-2001 | 2002-2004 | 2005-2007 | p-value ^a |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Northern Europe | 15.5 | 19.3 | 19.7 | 0.055 |
| Ireland and UK | 22.2 | 22.6 | 26.6 | 0.011 |
| Central Europe | 24.1 | 24.8 | 29.6 | 0.017 |
| Southern Europe | 21.2 | 31.1 | 26.9 | 0.053 |
| Eastern Europe | 18.0 | 18.1 | 14.3 | 0.112 |
| Europe | 21.7 | 24.6 | 25.6 | 0.004 |



| | 1999-2001 | 2002-2004 | 2005-2007 | p-value ^a |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Northern Europe | 63.4 | 60.9 | 62.1 | 0.255 |
| Ireland and UK | 60.7 | 61.8 | 61.7 | 0.155 |
| Central Europe | 65.9 | 62.2 | 64.5 | 0.196 |
| Southern Europe | 66.8 | 70.1 | 67.6 | 0.327 |
| Eastern Europe | 47.7 | 48.0 | 46.8 | 0.299 |
| Europe | 62.4 | 61.8 | 62.0 | 0.307 |

Frequency distribution of stage (%) and 5-year relative survival (RS),
by Head and neck (H&N) site, country and European region.

| | Local | | | Regional | | | Metastatic | | | Unknown | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|----------|------|-----------|------------|------|----------|---------|-------|-----------|
| | % | RS | 95% CI ^c | % | RS | 95% CI | % | RS | 95% CI | % | RS | 95% CI |
| Tongue and lingual tonsil | 36.0 | 64.9 | 62.9–66.9 | 52.0 | 33.4 | 31.9–34.9 | 3.0 | 9.1 | 5.4–14.0 | 9.0 | 39.4 | 35.4–43.3 |
| Oral cavity | 39.0 | 69 | 67.3–70.7 | 47.0 | 33.6 | 32.2–35.0 | 3.0 | 8.8 | 5.8–12.7 | 11.0 | 50.8 | 47.6–54.0 |
| Oropharynx and tonsil | 19.0 | 57.6 | 55.0–60.2 | 69.0 | 38.2 | 36.9–39.5 | 4.0 | 12.4 | 9.3–16.0 | 8.0 | 33.1 | 29.2–37.0 |
| Hypopharynx | 14.0 | 41.8 | 38.0–45.6 | 72.0 | 23.6 | 22.3–25.0 | 7.0 | 3.9 | 2.0–6.6 | 7.0 | 20.2 | 16.3–24.4 |
| Larynx | 56.0 | 74.4 | 73.1–75.6 | 31.0 | 37.8 | 36.3–39.4 | 2.0 | 7.2 | 4.5–10.7 | 11.0 | 61.4 | 58.6–64.1 |
| All H&N | 36.0 | 68.7 | 67.9–69.5 | 50.0 | 33.7 | 33.0–34.3 | 4.0 | 8.2 | 6.9–9.8 | 10.0 | 47.3 | 45.7–48.9 |
| <i>Northern Europe</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norway | 34.3 | 74.4 | 70.3–78.0 | 42.2 | 41.7 | 38.4–44.9 | 4.4 | 12.8 | 7.2–19.9 | 19.1 | 59.8 | 54.6–64.7 |
| <i>Central Europe</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Austria | 29.7 | 69.5 | 67.1–71.9 | 52.5 | 39.8 | 38.0–41.5 | 4.8 | 10.9 | 7.6–15.0 | 13.0 | 37.4 | 33.8–40.9 |
| Germany ^a | 30.0 | 70.2 | 68.5–71.9 | 49.0 | 37.7 | 36.5–39.0 | 4.0 | 11.0 | 8.2–14.2 | 17.0 | 51.0 | 48.7–53.4 |
| The Netherlands | 50.0 | 75.2 | 73.8–76.6 | 43.8 | 38.2 | 36.8–39.6 | 2.3 | 4.5 | 2.2–8.0 | 3.9 | 55.1 | 50.1–59.9 |
| <i>Southern Europe</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Slovenia | 31.7 | 70.80 | 66.5–74.7 | 65.2 | 31.7 | 29.2–34.3 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 0.3–11.4 | 1.0 | 13.40 | 2.7–32.7 |
| <i>Eastern Europe</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Estonia | 49.3 | 50.20 | 45.1–55.1 | 45.9 | 21.8 | 18.0–25.8 | 3.6 | N.A | N.A | 1.2 | 32.70 | 9.2–59.2 |
| Lithuania | 36.5 | 48.90 | 45.3–52.4 | 45.8 | 16.4 | 14.3–18.7 | 3.4 | 0.0 | N.A | 14.4 | 29.00 | 24.3–34.0 |
| Poland ^b | 65.1 | 56.30 | 50.0–62.1 | 27.7 | 26.7 | 19.4–34.5 | 7.2 | 6.6 | 1.3–18.3 | 0.0 | | |
| Slovakia | 27.8 | 56.40 | 53.7–59.0 | 66.0 | 21.6 | 20.3–22.9 | 4.0 | 6.2 | 3.6–9.7 | 2.1 | 27.00 | 19.7–34.8 |

Relative excess risks (RERs) of death by country for all mouth-pharynx sites by age and sex (Model 1) and by age, sex and sub-site (Model 2) compared with UK, England

| (A) Country | Model 1 | | Model 2 | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | RER of death | 95% CI ^b | RER of death | 95% CI ^b |
| <i>Northern Europe</i> | | | | |
| Norway | 0.88 | 0.83–0.95 | 0.89 | 0.84–0.96 |
| Sweden | 0.86 | 0.81–0.90 | 0.87 | 0.83–0.91 |
| <i>Ireland and UK</i> | | | | |
| Ireland | 1.04 | 0.96–1.11 | 0.99 | 0.92–1.07 |
| UK, England | 1 (reference) | | 1 (reference) | |
| UK, Northern Ireland | 0.96 | 0.87–1.07 | 0.93 | 0.84–1.03 |
| UK, Scotland | 1.02 | 0.97–1.07 | 0.99 | 0.95–1.04 |
| UK, Wales | 1.00 | 0.93–1.07 | 1.00 | 0.93–1.07 |
| <i>Central Europe</i> | | | | |
| Belgium ^a | 1.12 | 1.08–1.17 | 1.07 | 1.03–1.12 |
| France ^a | 1.20 | 1.15–1.25 | 1.08 | 1.04–1.12 |
| Germany ^a | 1.02 | 0.99–1.05 | 0.92 | 0.89–0.94 |
| Switzerland ^a | 0.98 | 0.90–1.06 | 0.91 | 0.84–0.98 |
| The Netherlands | 0.92 | 0.89–0.95 | 0.91 | 0.88–0.94 |
| <i>Southern Europe</i> | | | | |
| Italy ^a | 0.95 | 0.91–0.99 | 0.90 | 0.86–0.94 |
| Slovenia | 1.34 | 1.27–1.43 | 1.24 | 1.17–1.31 |
| Spain ^a | 1.15 | 1.09–1.22 | 1.06 | 1.00–1.12 |
| <i>Eastern Europe</i> | | | | |
| Bulgaria | 2.76 | 2.65–2.88 | 2.68 | 2.57–2.79 |
| Czech Republic | 1.37 | 1.32–1.42 | 1.32 | 1.27–1.37 |
| Latvia | 2.43 | 2.27–2.60 | 2.08 | 1.94–2.22 |
| Slovakia | 1.94 | 1.87–2.02 | 1.79 | 1.72–1.85 |
| Poland ^a | 1.67 | 1.57–1.79 | 1.63 | 1.53–1.75 |

RERs of death by sub-site relative to base of tongue plus vallecula plus lingual tonsil with age, sex and country as covariates.

| (B) Sub-site | ICD-O-3 ^c code | % | RER of death | 95% CI ^b |
|---|----------------------------|------|---------------|---------------------|
| Base of tongue, vallecula and lingual tonsil | C01.9, C02.4, C02.8, C10.0 | 11.2 | 1 (reference) | |
| Tongue, other parts | C02.0–C02.3, C02.9 | 16.8 | 0.73 | 0.70–0.75 |
| Gum | C03.0–C03.9 | 5.5 | 0.75 | 0.72–0.79 |
| Floor of mouth | C04.0–C04.9 | 11.7 | 0.83 | 0.80–0.86 |
| Palate | C05.0–C05.9 | 6.4 | 0.67 | 0.64–0.70 |
| Cheek and vestibule of mouth | C06.0–C06.1 | 3.2 | 0.61 | 0.58–0.65 |
| Retro-molar area | C06.2 | 2.4 | 0.73 | 0.69–0.78 |
| Mouth, NOS ^d | C06.8–C06.9 | 2.5 | 0.88 | 0.83–0.93 |
| Tonsil | C09.0–C09.9 | 16.4 | 0.73 | 0.71–0.75 |
| Anterior surface of epiglottitis | C10.1 | 0.4 | 0.72 | 0.62–0.83 |
| Lateral wall of oropharynx | C10.2, C10.8 | 2.5 | 1.30 | 1.23–1.37 |
| Posterior wall of oropharynx | C10.3 | 0.6 | 1.24 | 1.12–1.37 |
| Oropharynx and pharynx, NOS ^d | C10.9, C14.0, C14.8 | 6.0 | 1.53 | 1.47–1.59 |
| Pyramidal sinus and posterior wall of hypopharynx | C12.9, C13.2 | 7.6 | 1.26 | 1.22–1.31 |
| Aryepiglottic fold | C13.1 | 0.7 | 0.87 | 0.79–0.97 |
| Postcricoid region | C13.0 | 0.8 | 1.62 | 1.49–1.76 |
| Hypopharynx, NOS ^d | C13.8–C13.9 | 5.4 | 1.52 | 1.46–1.58 |

RISK FACTORS

Rare cancers of the head and neck area in Europe

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Worldwide, more than 500,000 cases of squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck (SCCHN) were estimated in 2008¹. In Europe alone, estimates reached 130,000 cases of oral cavity, pharyngeal, and laryngeal cancers, and over 60,000 deaths².

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1. Ferlay J, et al. Estimates of worldwide burden of cancer in 2008: GLOBOCAN 2008. Int J Cancer 2010
 2. Ferlay J, et al. Estimates of cancer incidence and mortality in Europe in 2008. Eur J Cancer 2010

RISK FACTORS

Most important risk factors for H&N SCC are:

- ✓ **tobacco use**
- ✓ **alcohol intake**

proportion of the incidence due to tobacco and alcohol use: **72%**

of which

- 4%** due to alcohol alone,
- 33%** due to tobacco alone
- 35%** due to tobacco and alcohol combined.

RISK FACTORS

Other risk factors...

- Oral hygiene
- Leukoplakia / Erythroplakia
- Irritation from dentures
- Immuno suppression (Transplant, AIDS, GVHD)
- Malnutrition (VitA deficiency, high consumption of salted meat or fish)
- Exposure to sunlight - UV (for lip and conjunctival cancers)

RISK FACTORS

- Bile – gastric reflux
- Genetic susceptibility
 - ✓ Alcohol metabolism (polymorphisms of aldehyde dehydrogenase)
 - ✓ CYP2E1
 - ✓ DNA repair / Cell cycle control
- Genetic syndrome (Fanconi's anemia / Dyskeratosis congenita)
- Betel quid and gutka

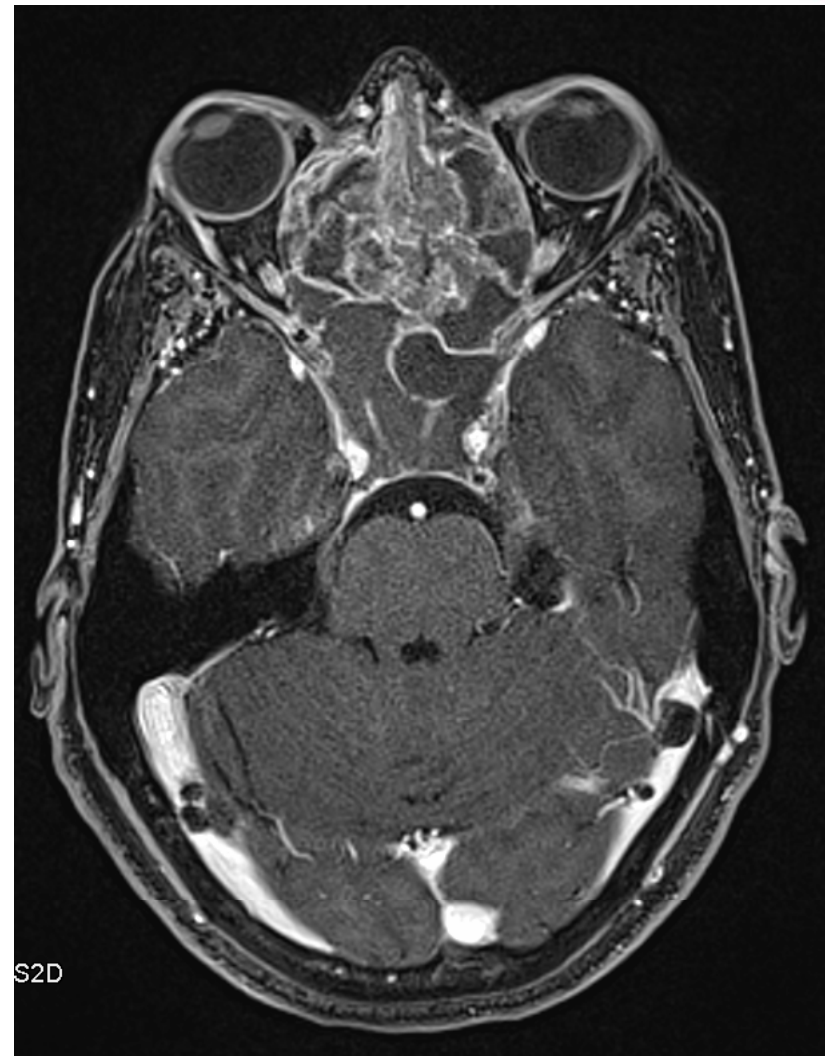
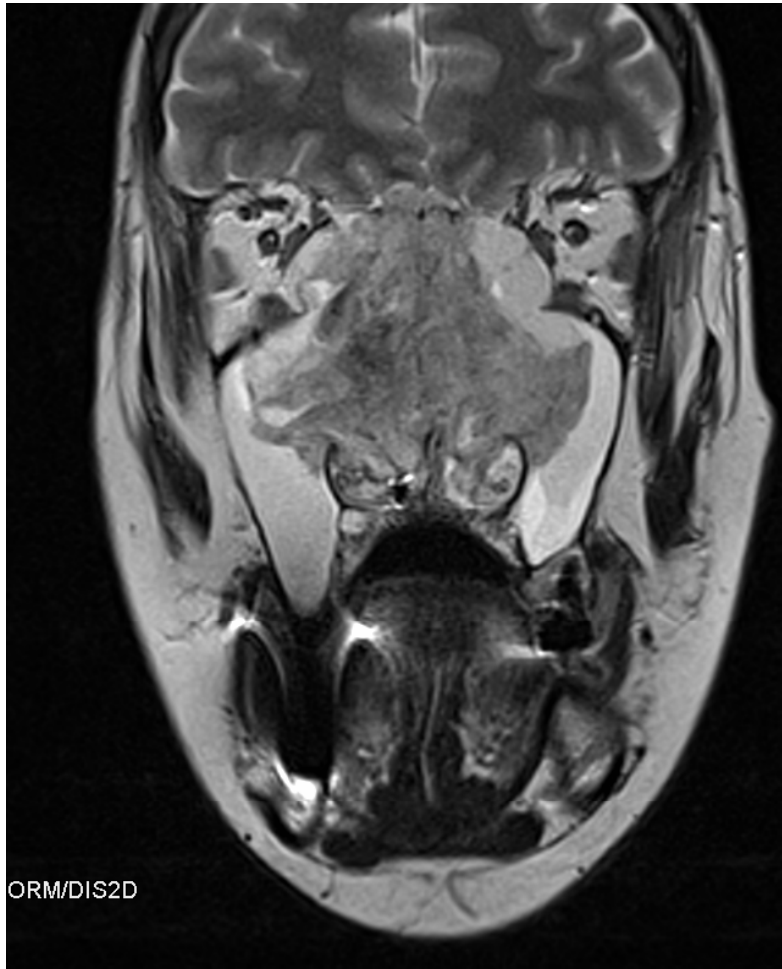
HPV (see below)

RISK FACTORS

NPC risk factors

- √ Ethnicity (Asian > Caucasian)
- √ Epstein–Barr Virus (EBV) for nasopharyngeal cancer
- √ Tobacco use (keratinizing type)
- √ Genetics factor and family history
- √ Gender (Male > Female)

SINONASAL CANCER



2005 WHO Classification of Sinonasal Tumor

- Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC)
- Lymphoepithelial carcinoma
- Adenocarcinoma
 - ITAC, non ITAC (tubulopapillary LG)*
- Salivary gland type carcinomas
- Neuroendocrine tumours
 - carcinoid, small cell neuroendocrine type*
- Sinonasal undifferentiated carcinoma (SNUC)
 - (HPV 10% - El-Mofty Am J Surg Pathol 2005)*

Differential diagnosis of Sinonasal Tumor

| Feature | ENB | SNUC | SNEC |
|--------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Prognosis | variable | poor | favorable |
| Necrosis | + | +++ | - |
| Nuclear anaplasia | + | +++ | - |
| Mitoses | variable | +++ | variable |
| Vascular invasion | ++ | +++ | NR |
| Secretory granules | +++ | + | +++ |
| Keratin | + | +++ | ++ |
| S100 | ++ | - | ++ |
| NSE | +++ | variable | +++ |

Sinonasal Tumor

TABLE 1. Selective immunohistochemical reactivity of sinonasal malignancies²

| | CK | NSE | CG | SYN | S100 | HMB | LCA | CD56 | CD99 | VIM | DES | Myf-4 |
|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| SCC | + | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| SNUC | + | v | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Esth | - | + | v | v | +* | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| SCUNC | + | + | + | + | + | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| MMM | - | - | - | - | + | + | - | - | - | + | - | - |
| T/NK ML | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | + | - | v | - | - |
| RMS | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | + | + | + |

Abbreviations: CD99, Ewing marker; CG, chromogranin; CK, cytokeratin; DES, desmin; Esth, esthesioneuroblastoma; HMB (includes HMB-45 and Melan-A), melanocytic marker; LCA, leukocyte common antigen; MMM, mucosal malignant melanoma; NSE, neuron-specific enolase; RMS, rhabdomyosarcoma; SCC, squamous cell carcinoma; SCUNC, small cell undifferentiated neuroendocrine carcinoma; SNUC, sinonasal undifferentiated carcinoma; SYN, synaptophysin; S100, S100 protein; T/NK ML, nasal-type natural killer/ T cell lymphoma; v, variably positive; VIM, vimentin; +, positive; -, negative.

*Positive in the peripherally situated sustentacular cells.

Risk Factors for Sinonasal Tumor

- Workplace exposures
 - Wood dusts from carpentry (such as furniture and cabinet builders), sawmills, and other wood-related industries
 - Dusts from textiles (textile plants)
 - Leather dusts (shoemaking)
 - Flour (baking and flour milling)
 - Nickel and chromium dust
 - Mustard gas (a poison used in chemical warfare)
 - Radium (a radioactive element rarely used today)

 - Glues
 - Formaldehyde
 - Organic solvents
- Tobacco
- Human papilloma virus infection

Sinonasal Tumor - HPV

Syrjänen K, Hum Pathol. 2013

Detection of human papillomavirus in sinonasal carcinoma: systematic review and meta-analysis.

- 492 cases
- 133 (27.0%) cases tested HPV-positive

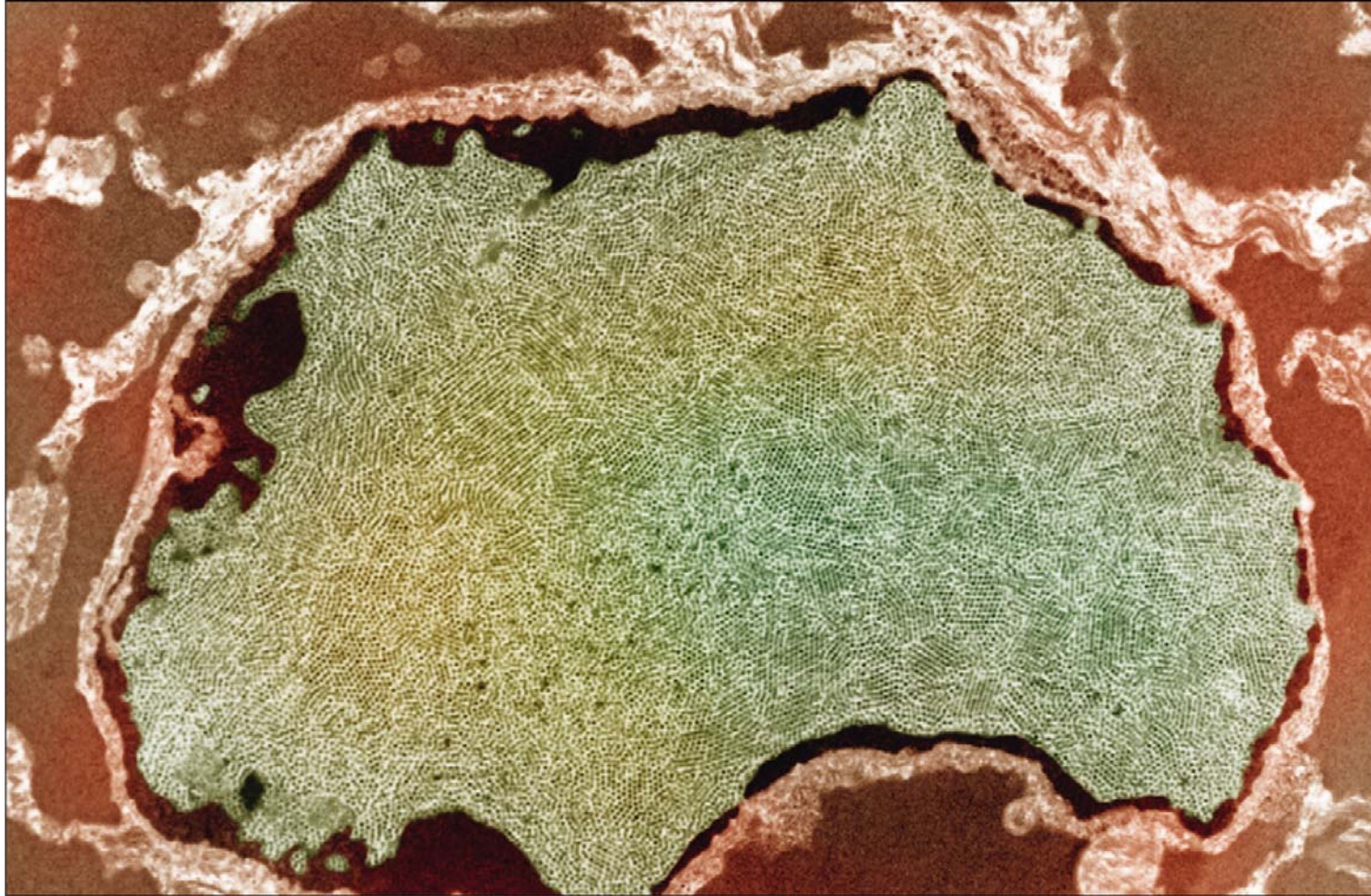
Sinonasal Tumor - HPV

Bishop JA; Am J Surg Pathol. 2013

Human papillomavirus-related carcinomas of the sinonasal tract

- 161 sinonasal carcinomas
- 34 (21%) HPV Pos (28 SCC and variants)
- 59 (37%) p16 IHC positive
- p16 expression strongly correlate with HPV DNA presence :
- A trend toward improved survival was observed in the HPV-positive group

HPV



HPV: IARC 2009

| Group 1 agent | Cancers for which there is sufficient evidence in humans | Other sites with limited evidence in humans | Established mechanistic events |
|--|---|---|--|
| Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) | Nasopharyngeal carcinoma, Burkitt's lymphoma, immune-suppression-related non-Hodgkin lymphoma, extranodal NK/T-cell lymphoma (nasal type), Hodgkin's lymphoma | Gastric carcinoma,* lympho-epithelioma-like carcinoma* | Cell proliferation, inhibition of apoptosis, genomic instability, cell migration |
| Hepatitis B virus (HBV) | Hepatocellular carcinoma | Cholangiocarcinoma,* non-Hodgkin lymphoma* | Inflammation, liver cirrhosis, chronic hepatitis |
| Hepatitis C virus (HCV) | Hepatocellular carcinoma, non-Hodgkin lymphoma* | Cholangiocarcinoma* | Inflammation, liver cirrhosis, liver fibrosis |
| Kaposi's sarcoma herpes virus (KSHV) | Kaposi's sarcoma,* primary effusion lymphoma* | multicentric Castleman's disease* | Cell proliferation, inhibition of apoptosis, genomic instability, cell migration |
| Human immunodeficiency virus, type 1 (HIV-1) | Kaposi's sarcoma, non-Hodgkin lymphoma, Hodgkin's lymphoma,* cancer of the cervix,* anus,* conjunctiva* | Cancer of the vulva,* vagina,* penis,* non-melanoma skin cancer,* hepatocellular carcinoma* | Immunosuppressor (indirect action) |
| Human papillomavirus type 16 (HPV-16)† | Carcinoma of the cervix, vulva, vagina, penis, anus, oral cavity, and oropharynx and tonsil | Cancer of the larynx | Immortalisation, genomic instability, inhibition of DNA damage response, anti-apoptotic activity |
| Human T-cell lymphotropic virus, type-1 (HTLV-1) | Adult T-cell leukaemia and lymphoma | .. | Immortalisation and transformation of T cells |
| <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> | Non-cardia gastric carcinoma, low-grade B-cell mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue (MALT) gastric lymphoma* | .. | Inflammation, oxidative stress, altered cellular turnover and gene expression, methylation, mutation |
| <i>Clonorchis sinensis</i> | Cholangiocarcinoma* | .. | .. |
| <i>Opisthorchis viverrini</i> | Cholangiocarcinoma | .. | Inflammation, oxidative stress, cell proliferation |
| <i>Schistosoma haematobium</i> | Urinary bladder cancer | .. | Inflammation, oxidative stress |

* Newly identified link between virus and cancer. †For other types, see table 2.

Table 1: Biological agents assessed by the IARC Monograph Working Group

HPV: IARC 2009

| Group | HPV types | Comments |
|------------------------|--|---|
| Alpha HPV types | | |
| 1 | 16 | Most potent HPV type, known to cause cancer at several sites |
| 1 | 18, 31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 56, 58, 59 | Sufficient evidence for cervical cancer |
| 2A | 68 | Limited evidence in humans and strong mechanistic evidence for cervical cancer |
| 2B | 26, 53, 66, 67, 70, 73, 82 | Limited evidence in humans for cervical cancer |
| 2B | 30, 34, 69, 85, 97 | Classified by phylogenetic analogy to HPV types with sufficient or limited evidence in humans |
| 3 | 6, 11 | .. |
| Beta HPV types | | |
| 2B | 5 and 8 | Limited evidence for skin cancer in patients with epidermodysplasia verruciformis |
| 3 | Other beta and gamma types | .. |

Table 2: Human papillomavirus (HPV) types assessed by the IARC Monograph Working Group

HPV: Gene Expression

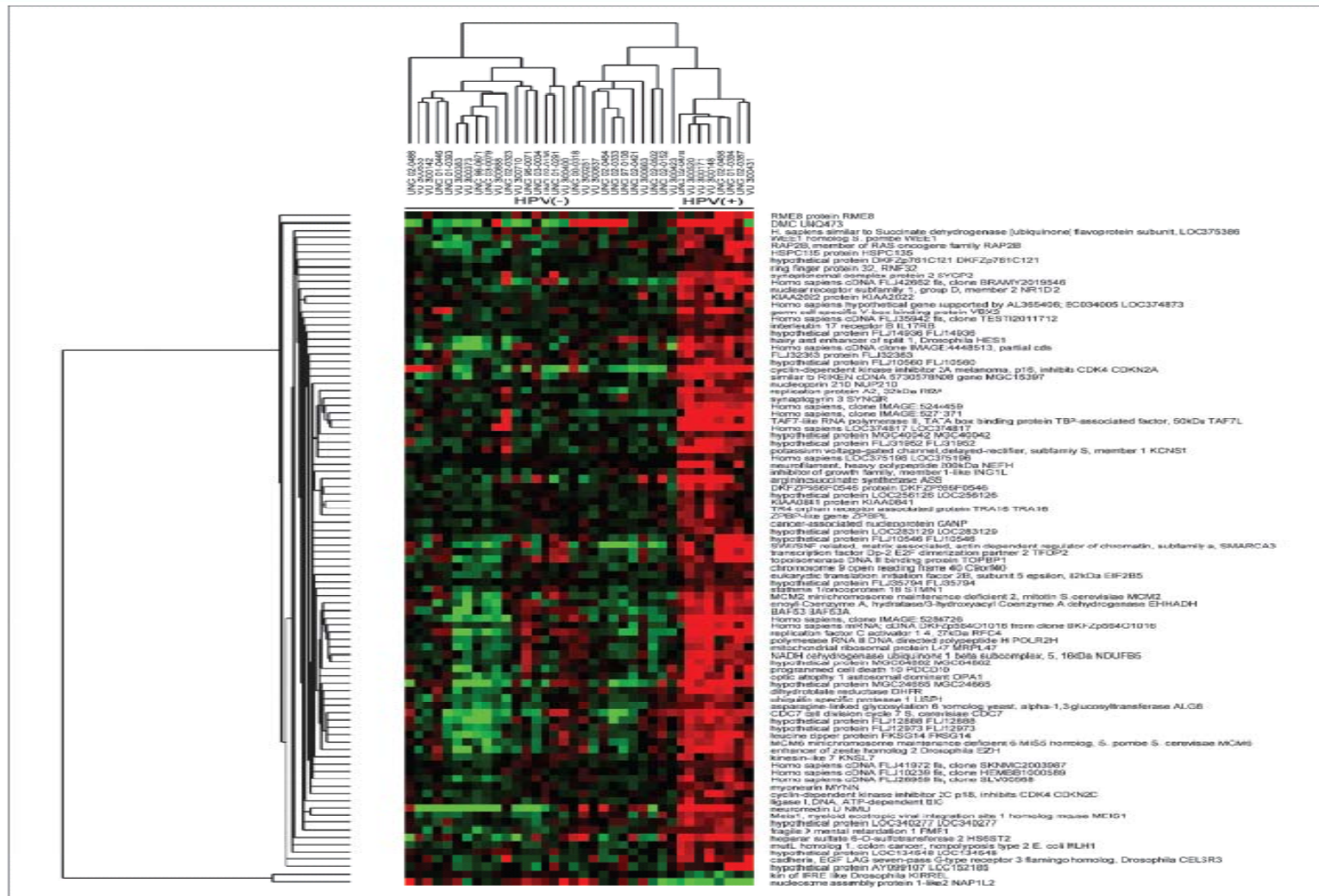


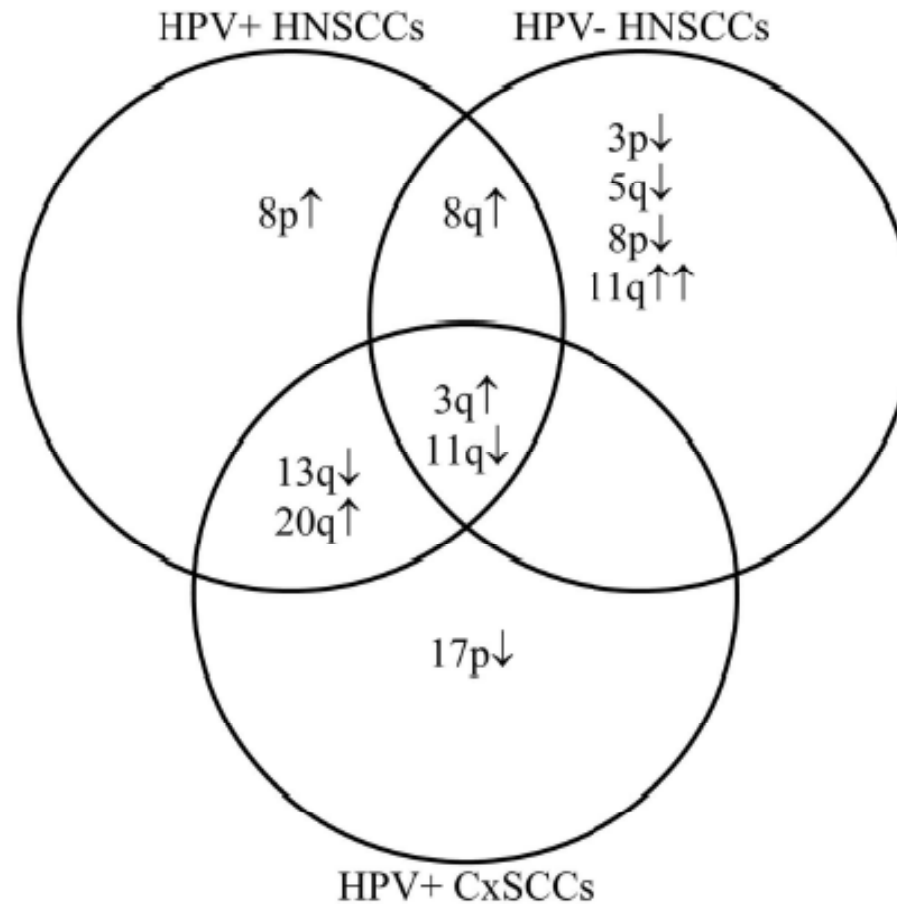
Fig. 2. Cluster diagram of 91 genes that are differentially expressed between HPV⁺ and HPV⁻ HNSCC tumors. HPV⁺ tumors form a separate cluster (right).

HPV: Gene Expression

Table 2. Named genes from the 91 top classifiers for HPV status by Significance Analysis of Microarrays

| Genes with higher expression in HPV ⁺ tumors than HPV ⁻ tumors | | | |
|--|-----------------|------------|--|
| Significance Analysis of Microarrays Rank | HUGO ID | Chromosome | Description |
| 1 | <i>TCAM1</i> | 17q22 | Testicular cell adhesion molecule 1 |
| 2 | <i>AL833646</i> | 2q21 | Unknown protein |
| 3 | <i>TAF7L</i> | 5q31 | TAF7-like RNA polymerase II |
| 4 | <i>SYNGR3</i> | 16p13 | Synaptogyrin |
| 5 | <i>CDKN2A</i> | 9p21 | Cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 2A (p16 ^{INK4A}) |
| 6 | <i>FLJ39749</i> | 3q29 | Unknown protein |
| 7 | <i>FLJ37881</i> | 16 | Unknown protein |
| 8 | <i>RPA2</i> | 1p35 | Replication protein A2 |
| 9 | <i>MYNN</i> | 3q26 | Myoneurin |
| 10 | <i>FLJ31952</i> | 17q21 | Unknown protein |
| 11 | <i>RIBC2</i> | 22q13 | RIB43A domain with coiled-coils 2 |
| 12 | <i>FLJ4628</i> | 22q13 | Unknown protein |
| 13 | <i>BF055370</i> | 7 | Unknown protein |
| 14 | <i>MCM6</i> | 2q21 | Minichromosome maintenance deficient 6 |
| 15 | <i>FLJ42662</i> | X | Unknown protein |
| 16 | <i>RFC4</i> | 3q27 | Replication factor C4 |
| 17 | <i>NR1D2</i> | 3p24 | Nuclear receptor subfamily 1, group D 2 |
| 18 | <i>MGC24665</i> | 16p13 | Unknown protein |
| 19 | <i>EHHADH</i> | 3q26 | Enoyl-CoA hydratase |
| 20 | <i>FKSG14</i> | 5p15 | Leucine zipper protein |
| Genes with lower expression in HPV ⁺ tumors than HPV ⁻ tumors | | | |
| 1 | <i>NAP1L2</i> | Xq | Nucleosome assembly protein 1-like 2 |
| 2 | <i>KIRREL</i> | 1q21-25 | Kin of IRRE-like (nephrin related) |

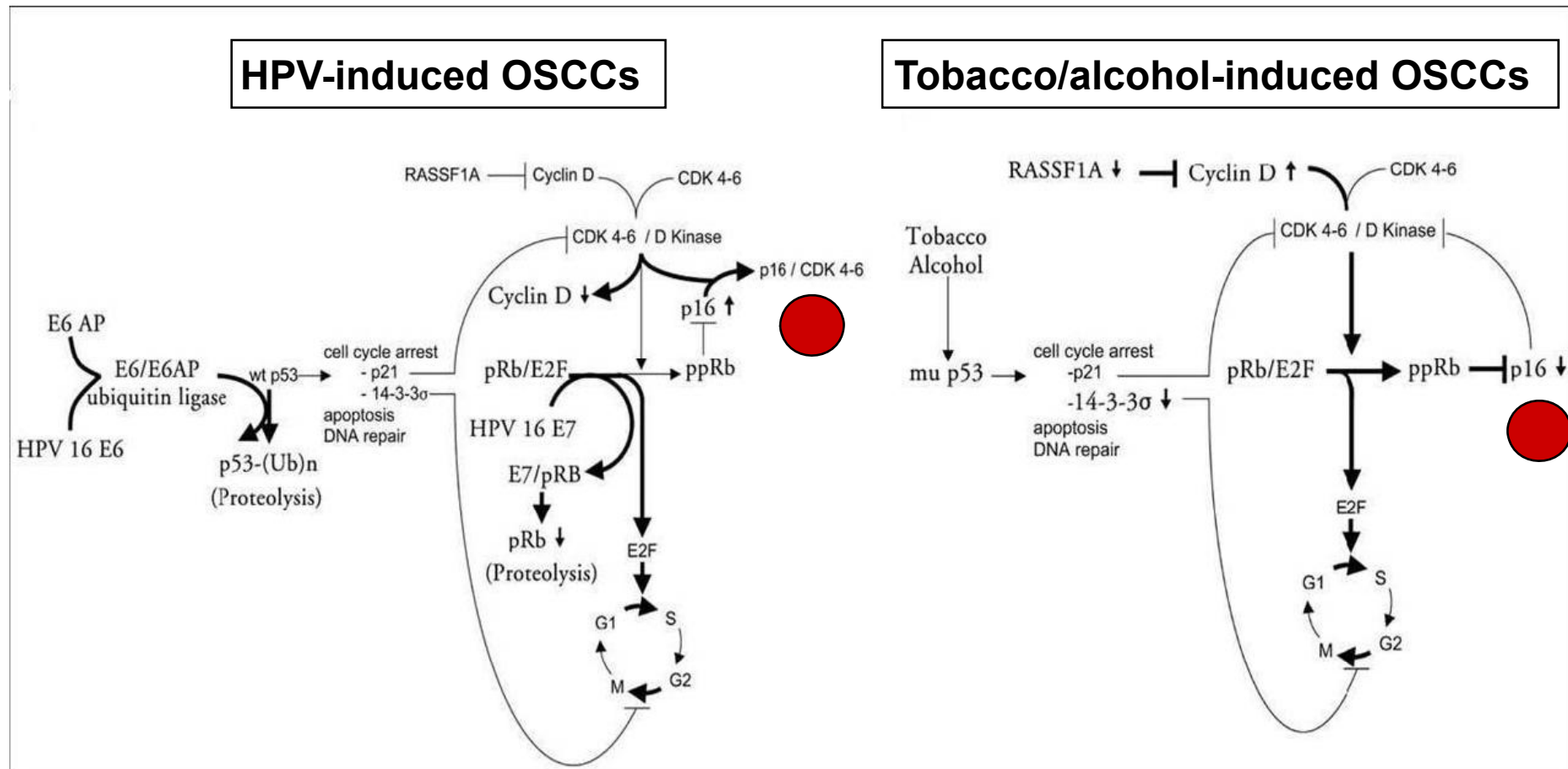
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HPV: Oral vs Cervix

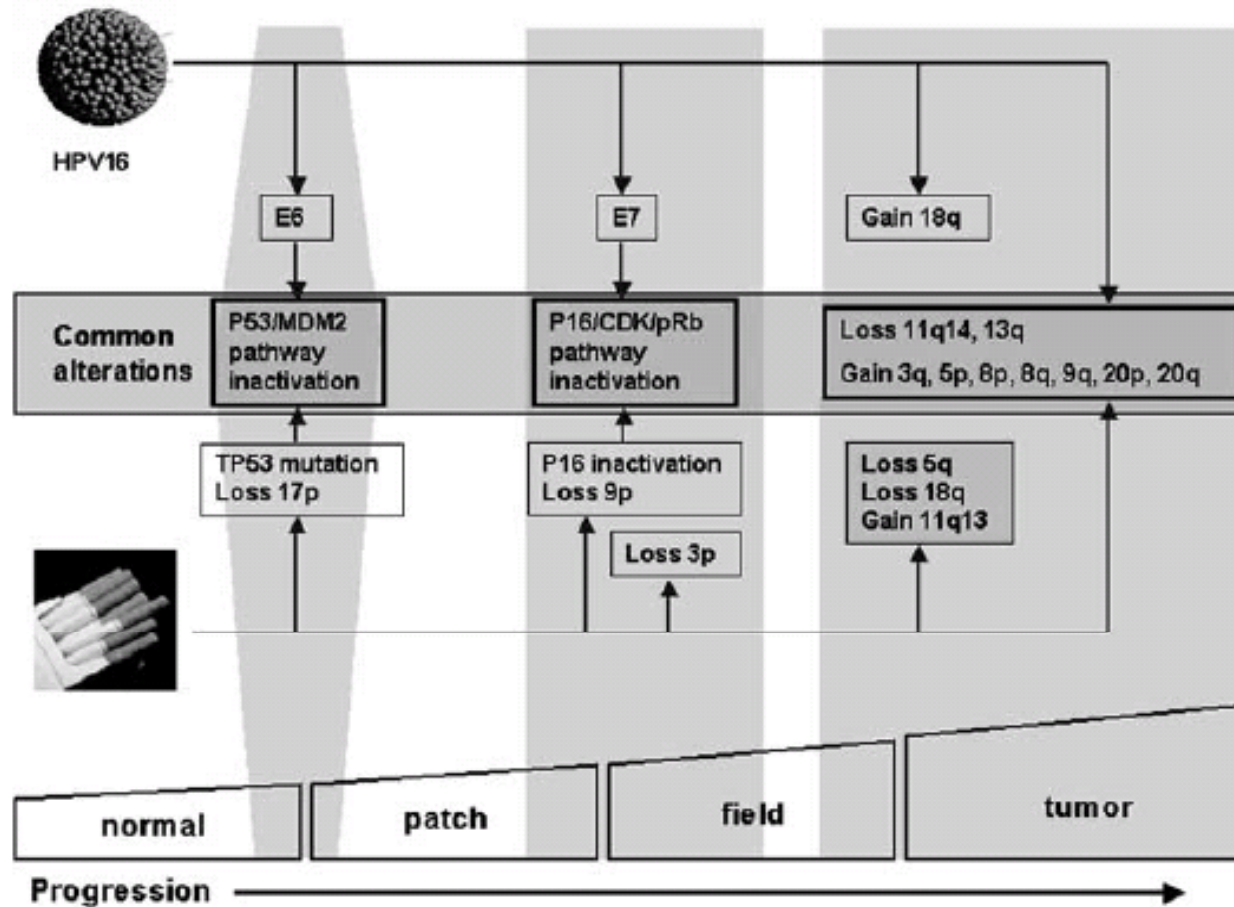
| | Oral | Cervix |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Prevalence | 5/10 less | 40% |
| HPV16 | 90% | 60% |
| Sex | 2/3 > M | 100% |
| Age | > with age | Debut sex , menopause |
| Infection rate | | 100/1000/year |
| Viral clearance | Similar? | 2 yrs (90%) |
| Sexual activities | + | + |
| Salivar transmission | + | ? |
| Incidence US | 85.000 | 530.000 |
| Mortality US | 305.000 | 275.00 |
| HIV | + | ++ |

HPV: Etiologic heterogeneity of OSCCs



Adapted from Gillison ML. Seminars in Oncology, 2004

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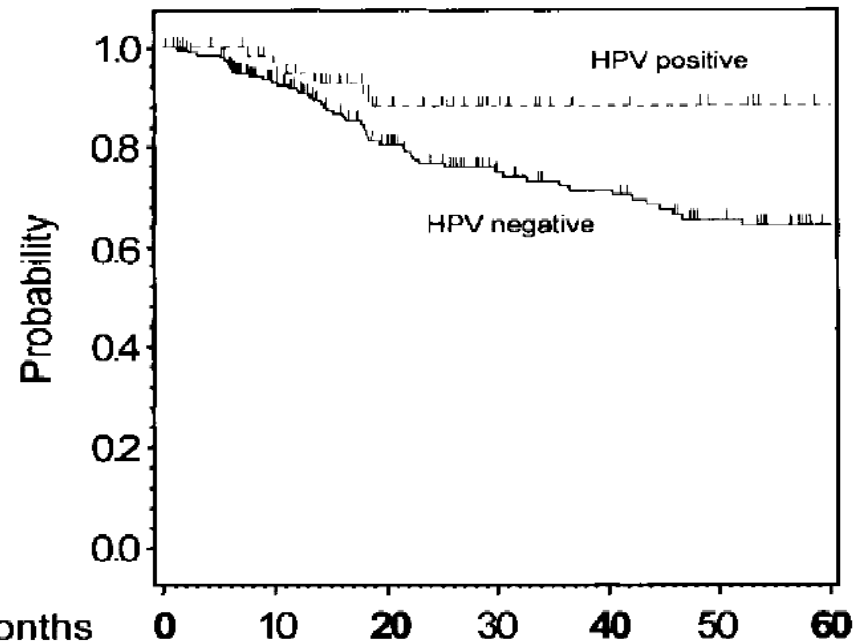


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Evidence for a Causal Association Between Human Papillomavirus and a Subset of Head and Neck Cancers

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HPV: Prognostic factor



Number at risk:

| | | | | |
|--------------|-----|-----|----|----|
| HPV positive | 61 | 37 | 18 | 10 |
| HPV negative | 191 | 116 | 75 | 48 |

HPV H&N cancer: systematic review

Table 3. Prevalence of HPV in HNSCCs by cancer site and geographic location

| | No. studies | No. cases | Overall HPV prevalence (95% CI) | HPV16 prevalence (95% CI) |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Oral cavity | | | | |
| Europe | 15 | 744 | 16.0 (13.4-18.8) | 10.8 (8.6-13.2) |
| North America | 8 | 577 | 16.1 (13.2-19.4) | 10.1 (7.7-12.8) |
| Asia | 13 | 1,133 | 33.0 (30.3-35.8) | 22.3 (20.3-25.2) |
| Other* | 2 | 188 | 18.1 (12.9-24.3) | 14.9 (10.1-20.8) |
| Oropharynx | | | | |
| Europe | 17 | 529 | 28.2 (24.4-32.2) | 23.8 (20.2-27.7) |
| North America | 7 | 285 | 47.0 (41.1-53.0) | 42.1 (36.3-48.1) |
| Asia | 4 | 54 | 46.3 (32.6-60.4) | 35.2 (22.7-49.4) |
| Other* | 2 | 101 | 36.6 (27.3-46.8) | 33.7 (24.6-43.8) |
| Larynx [†] | | | | |
| Europe | 19 | 799 | 21.3 (18.5-24.3) | 13.8 (11.5-16.4) |
| North America | 7 | 297 | 13.8 (10.1-18.3) | 10.1 (7.0-14.1) |
| Asia | 8 | 306 | 38.2 (32.8-43.9) | 26.5 (21.6-31.8) |
| Other* | 1 | 33 | 48.5 (30.8-66.5) | 45.5 (28.1-63.6) |

*Includes Central and South America, Australia, and Africa.

[†]Larynx includes cases of the hypopharynx.

HPV H&N cancer: systematic review

| Group | Overall prevalence (95% CI) | Midyear <2000 (95% CI) | Midyear 2000-2004 (95% CI) | Midyear 2005+ (95% CI) | Midyear NK | p value (midyear trend) | p value (year group trend) |
|------------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| OPC | | | | | | | |
| All regions | 47.7 (42.9, 52.5) S = 102 n = 5396 0.89 | 40.5 (35.1, 46.1) S = 54 n = 2690 0.82 | 64.3 (56.7, 71.3) S = 22 n = 2037 0.9 | 72.2 (52.9, 85.7) S = 4 n = 150 0.8 | 40.5 (31.1, 50.7) S = 22 n = 519 | <.0001 | <.0001 |
| N. America | 59.9 (54.7, 64.9) S = 43 n = 2550 0.8 | 50.7 (42.6, 58.7) S = 19 n = 696 0.73 | 67.6 (61.7, 72.9) S = 17 n = 1678 0.79 | 69.7 (46.8, 85.7) S = 2 n = 45 0.76 | 55.6 (41.4, 69.0) S = 5 n = 131 | 0.0002 | 0.002 |
| Europe | 39.7 (32.8, 47.0) S = 46 n = 2278 0.87 | 35.3 (28.7, 42.5) S = 27 n = 1704 0.82 | 59.0 (30.2, 82.7) S = 4 n = 164 0.87 | 73.1 (39.4, 91.9) S = 2 n = 105 0.87 | 36.2 (24.3, 50.0) S = 13 n = 305 | 0.07 | 0.004 |
| Other, NK, and mixed regions | 32.5 (23.9, 42.4) S = 13 n = 568 0.73 | 32.2 (21.0, 45.9) S = 8 n = 290 0.78 | — S = 1 n = 195 | — S = 0 n = 0 | 35.4 (18.5, 56.9) S = 4 n = 83 | 0.46 | — |
| Non-OPC | | | | | | | |
| All regions | 21.8 (18.9, 25.1) S = 236 n = 13,972 0.93 | 22.2 (18.4, 26.4) S = 140 n = 2260 0.96 | 17.2 (11.9, 24.4) S = 37 n = 186 0.88 | 6.1 (0.7, 39.0) S = 5 n = 2419 0.91 | 26.3 (19.3, 34.8) S = 54 | 0.97 | 0.07 |
| N. America | 12.8 (9.7, 16.6) S = 62 n = 3803 0.86 | 14.1 (10.1, 19.5) S = 38 n = 2212 0.87 | 9.8 (5.2, 17.5) S = 13 n = 1204 0.85 | — S = 2 n = 40 | 15.1 (7.3, 28.7) S = 9 n = 347 | 0.03 | 0.08 |
| Europe | 23.7 (19.4, 28.7) S = 90 n = 4625 0.9 | 23.6 (18.5, 29.5) S = 53 n = 29490 0.9 | 23.2 (12.7, 38.4) S = 14 n = 539 0.87 | 11.7 (0.9, 67.0) S = 3 n = 146 0.93 | 25.9 (16.3, 38.5) S = 20 n = 991 | 0.27 | 0.66 |
| Other, NK, and mixed regions | 28.8 (22.5, 36.1) S = 84 n = 5364 0.95 | 28.6 (20.4, 38.5) S = 49 n = 3766 0.96 | 23.9 (14.5, 36.7) S = 10 n = 517 0.84 | — S = 0 n = 0 | 31.7 (19.8, 46.7) S = 25 n = 1081 | 0.53 | 0.55 |

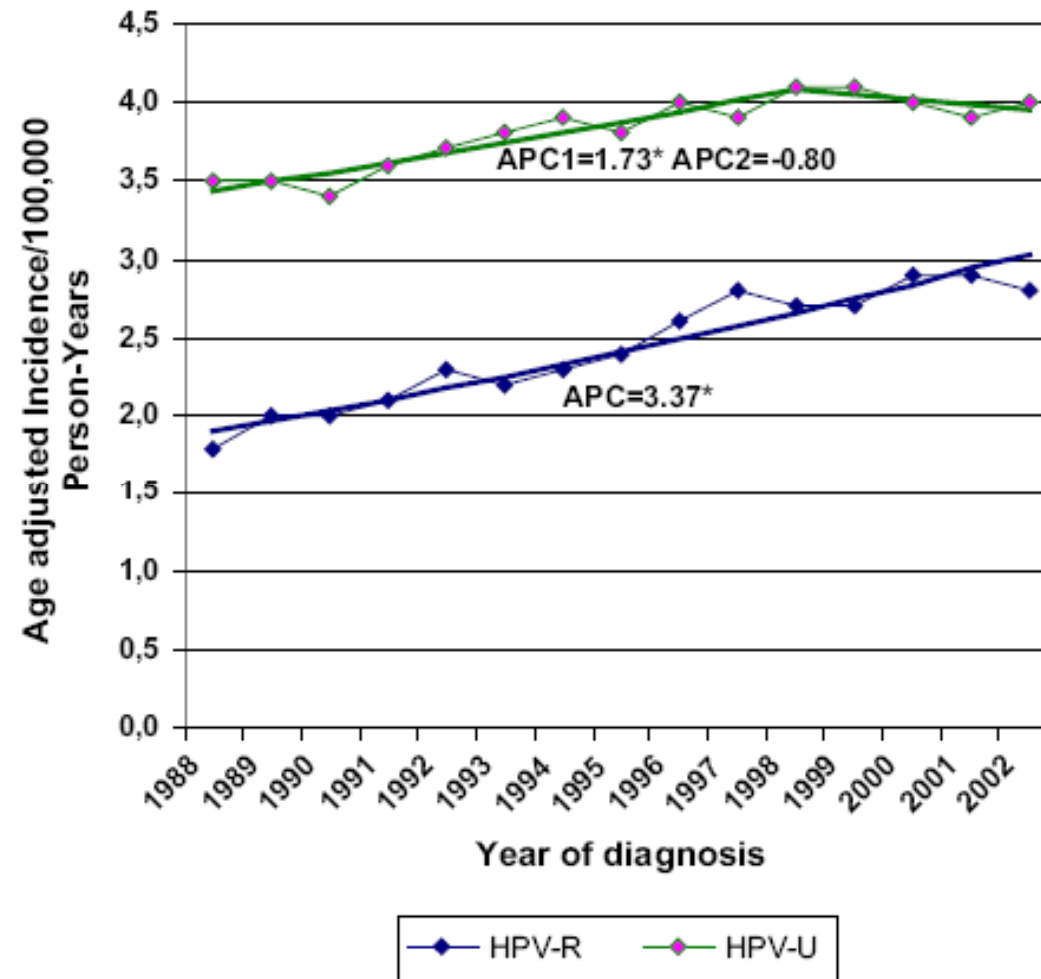
Abbreviations: HPV, human papillomavirus; CI, confidence interval; OPC, oropharyngeal cancer; NK, not known; S, number of studies; n = number of patients included; I^2 , index statistic measuring heterogeneity.

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Human Papillomavirus in HNSCC: A European Epidemiologic Perspective

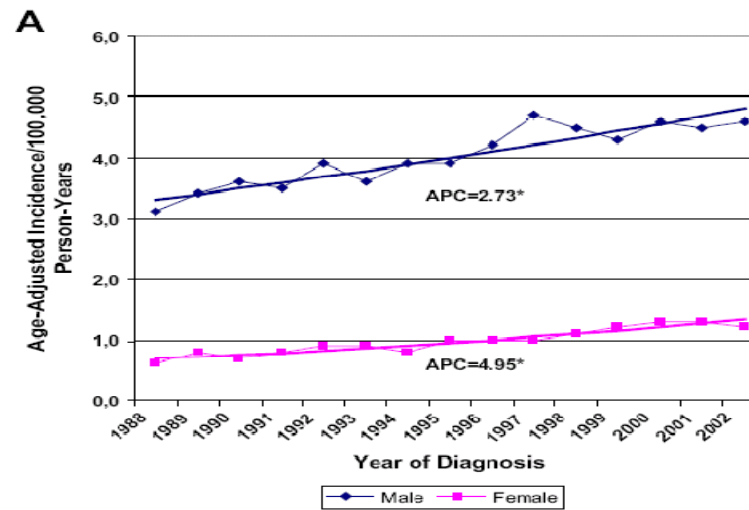
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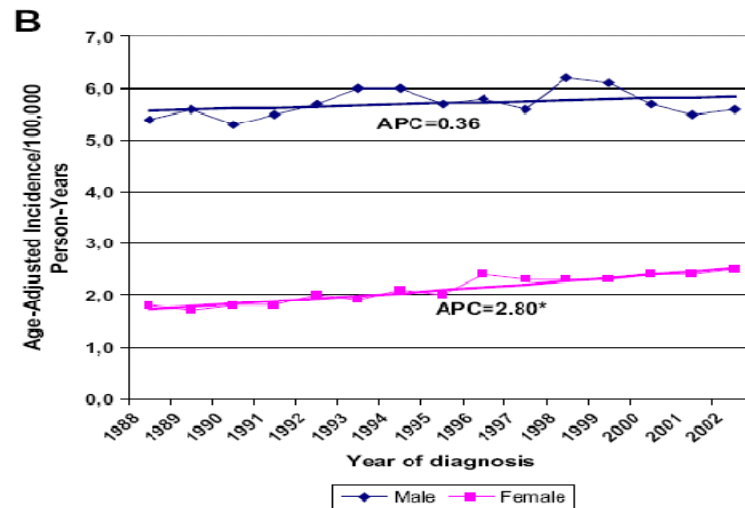


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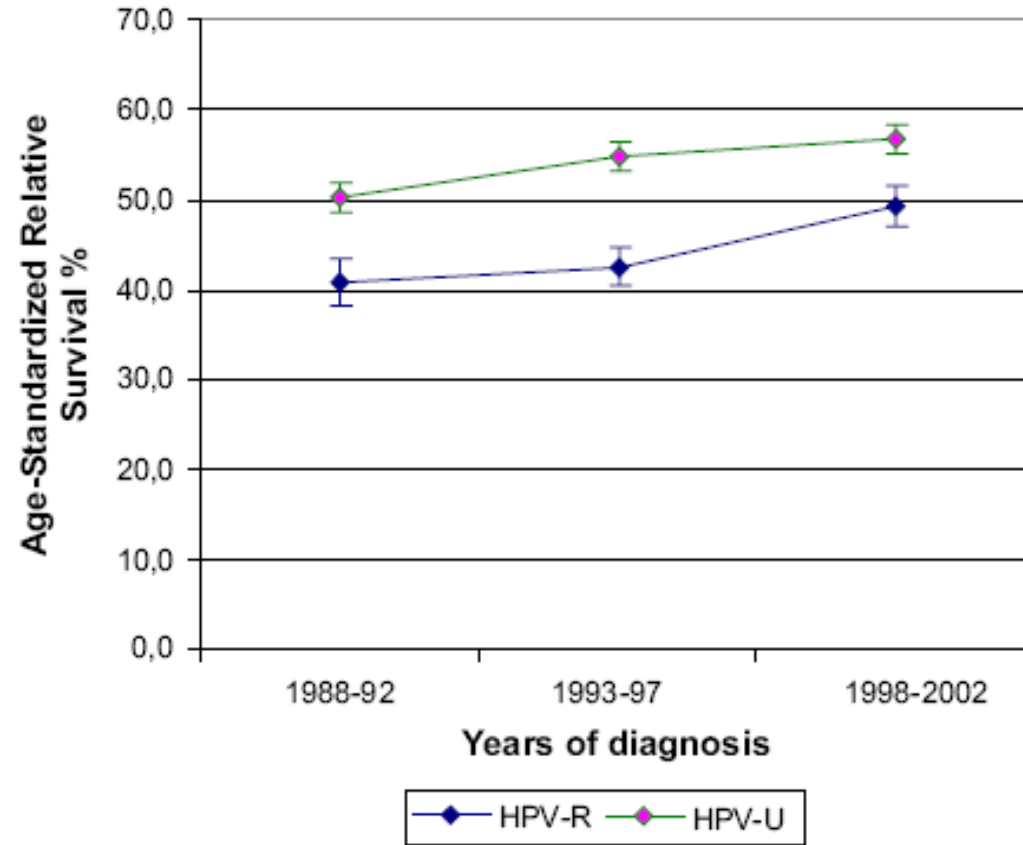
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Table 3. Association of Oropharyngeal Cancer with Exposure to HPV and with Biomarkers of Cancer Associated with HPV-16.

| Measure of HPV Exposure or Disease | Prevalence | | Odds Ratio (95% CI) | |
|------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------|-------------------|
| | Case Patients (N= 100) <i>number (percent)</i> | Control Patients (N= 200) <i>number (percent)</i> | Unadjusted | Adjusted* |
| HPV-16 L1 serologic status | | | | |
| Seronegative | 43 (43) | 186 (93) | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Seropositive | 57 (57) | 14 (7) | 17.6 (8.8–34.5) | 32.2 (14.6–71.3) |
| Oral HPV-16 infection† | | | | |
| Negative | 68 (68) | 192 (96) | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Positive | 32 (32) | 8 (4) | 11.3 (5.0–25.7) | 14.6 (6.3–36.6) |
| Any oral HPV infection‡ | | | | |
| Negative | 63 (63) | 189 (94) | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Positive | 37 (37) | 11 (6) | 10.0 (4.8–20.7) | 12.3 (5.4–26.4) |
| HPV-16 E6 or E7 serologic status | | | | |
| Seronegative for E6 and E7 | 36 (36) | 192 (96) | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Seropositive for E6 or E7 | 64 (64) | 8 (4) | 33.3 (16.2–68.6) | 58.4 (24.2–138.3) |
| HPV-16 DNA in tumor | | | | |
| Absent | 28 (28) | — | — | — |
| Present | 72 (72) | — | — | — |

Risk factors HPV + SCC

- **Sexual behaviour**
- **HPV exposure**
- **Marijuana consumption**

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Evaluation of Human Papillomavirus Antibodies and Risk of Subsequent Head and Neck Cancer

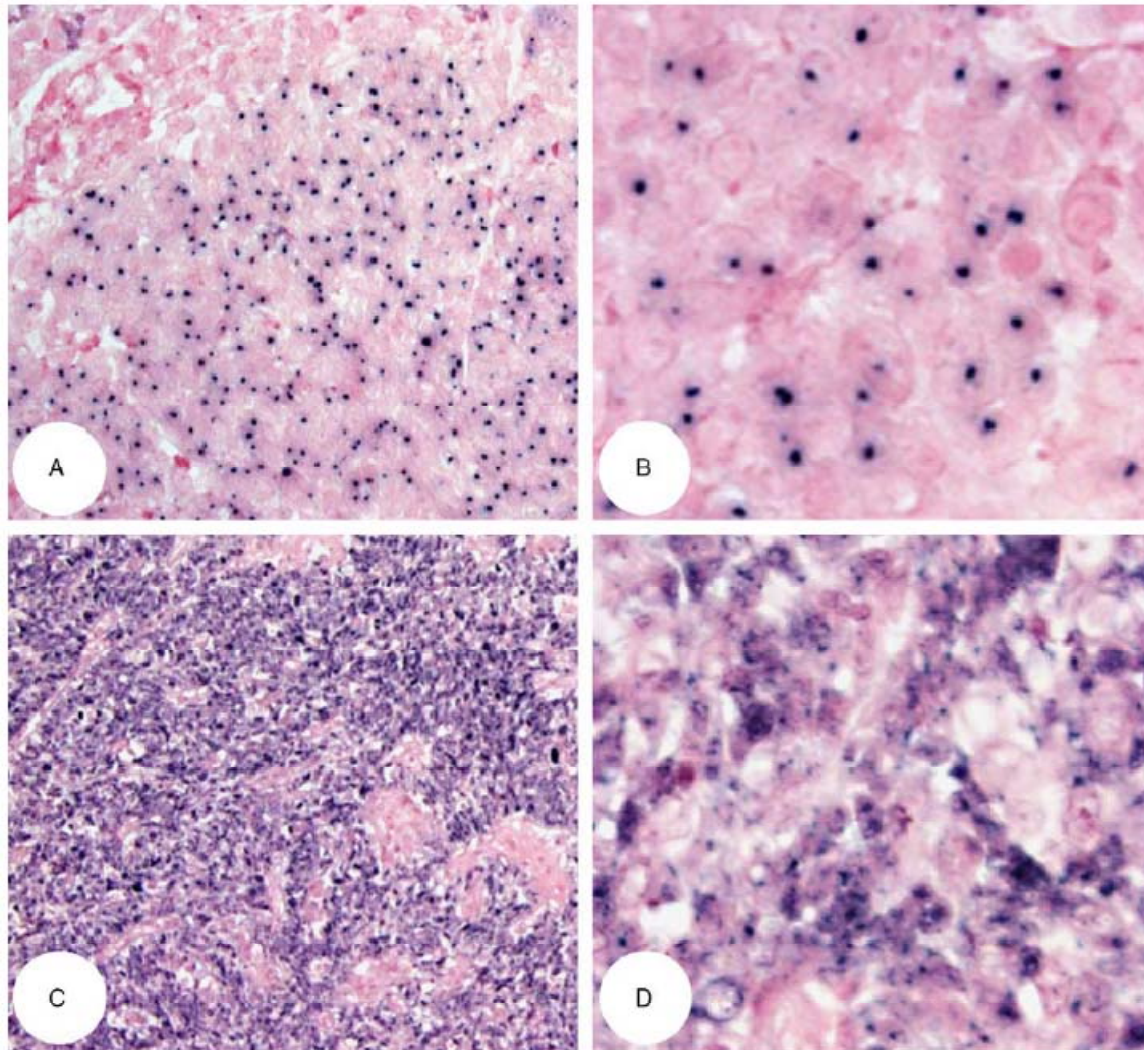
- 638 HN and Esophageal cancer pts - 1599 controls tested for HPV16 E6/7 antibodies on pre-diagnostic plasma sample collected on average 6 years before
- 34.8% of oropharyngeal cancer pts positive for HPV16 E6 Abs vs 0.6% of controls,
- OR: 274** (95%CI 110 – 681)

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HPV16 transmission between a couple with HPV-related head and neck cancer

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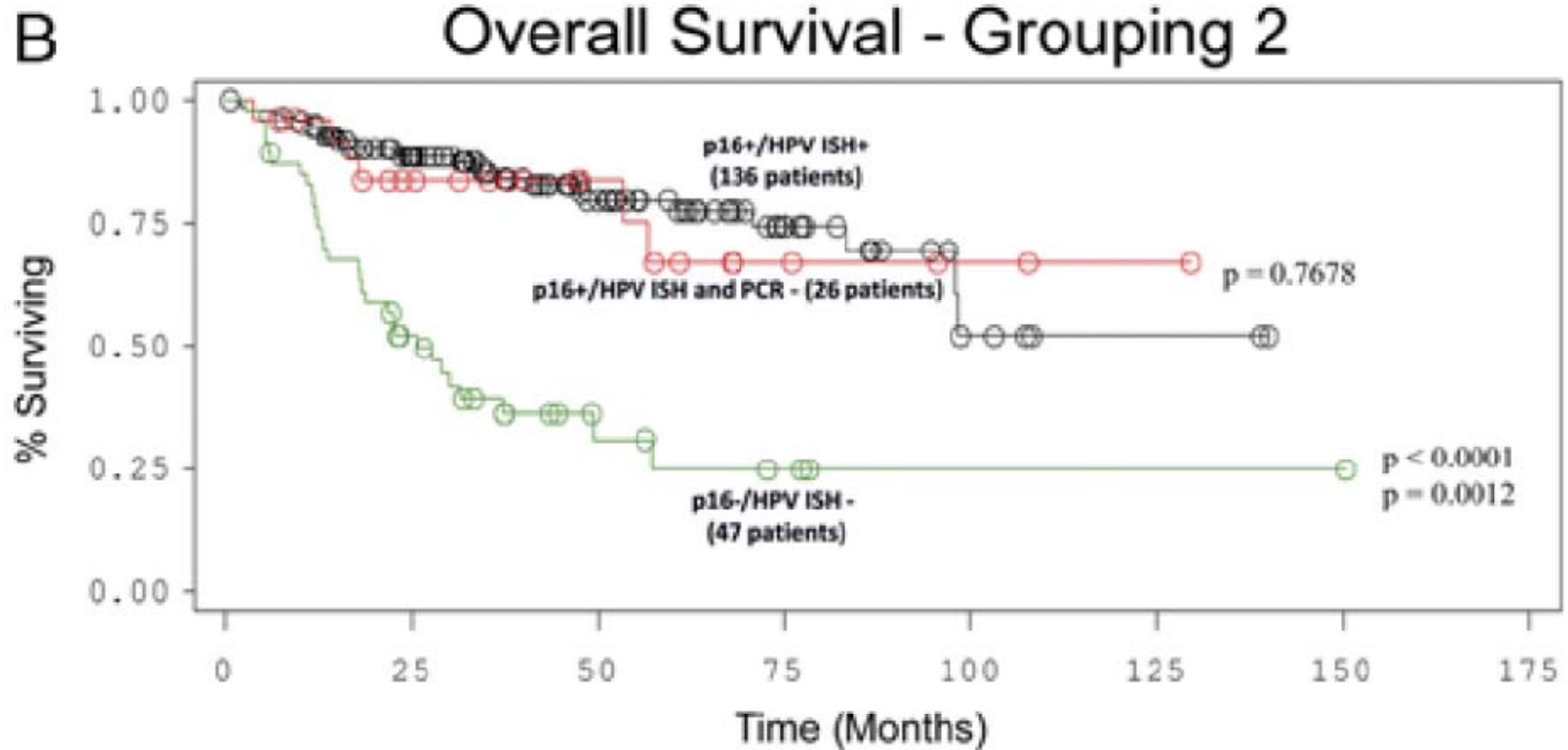
Gold standard tumor HPV detection

- **Traditional PCR too sensitive**
- **Quantitative viral DNA or mRNA PCR more precise**
- **ISH not completely sensitive**
- **p16 is a surrogate marker**

HPV: P16 positive tumors

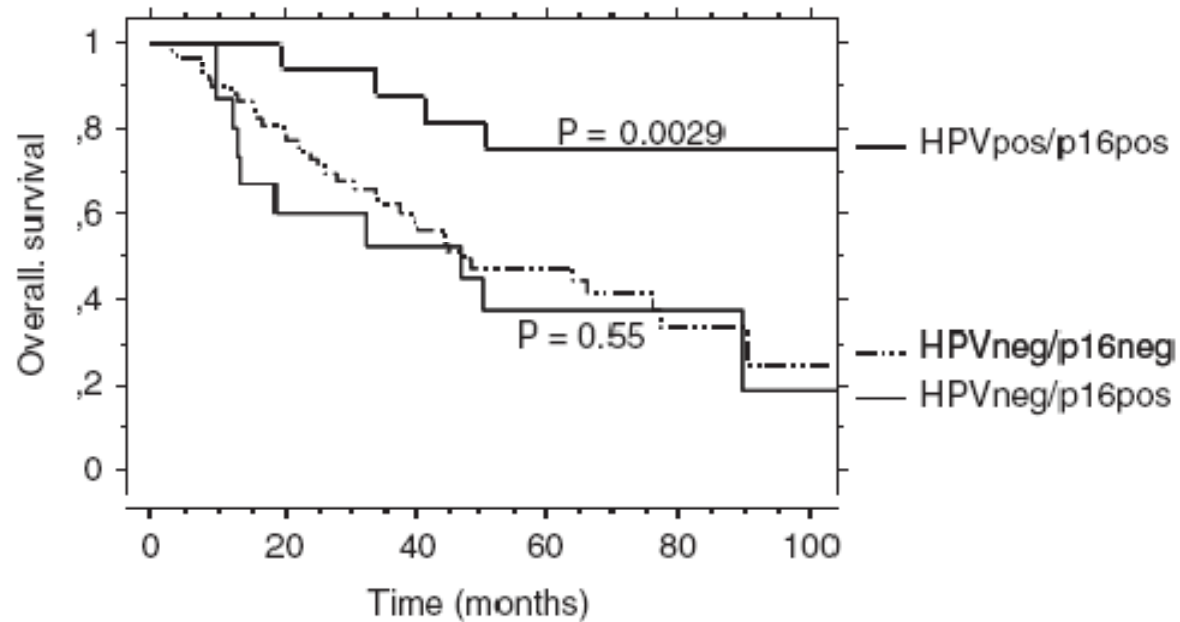
| p16 Expression in oropharyngeal primary tumor — no./total no. (%) | | | HPV + | HPV - |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Positive | 114/216 (52.8) | 101/217 (46.5) | 192/206 (93.2) | 22/117 (18.8) |
| Negative | 48/216 (22.2) | 53/217 (24.4) | 7/206 (3.4) | 94/117 (80.3) |
| Unknown | 54/216 (25.0) | 63/217 (29.0) | 7/206 (3.4) | 1/117 (0.9) |

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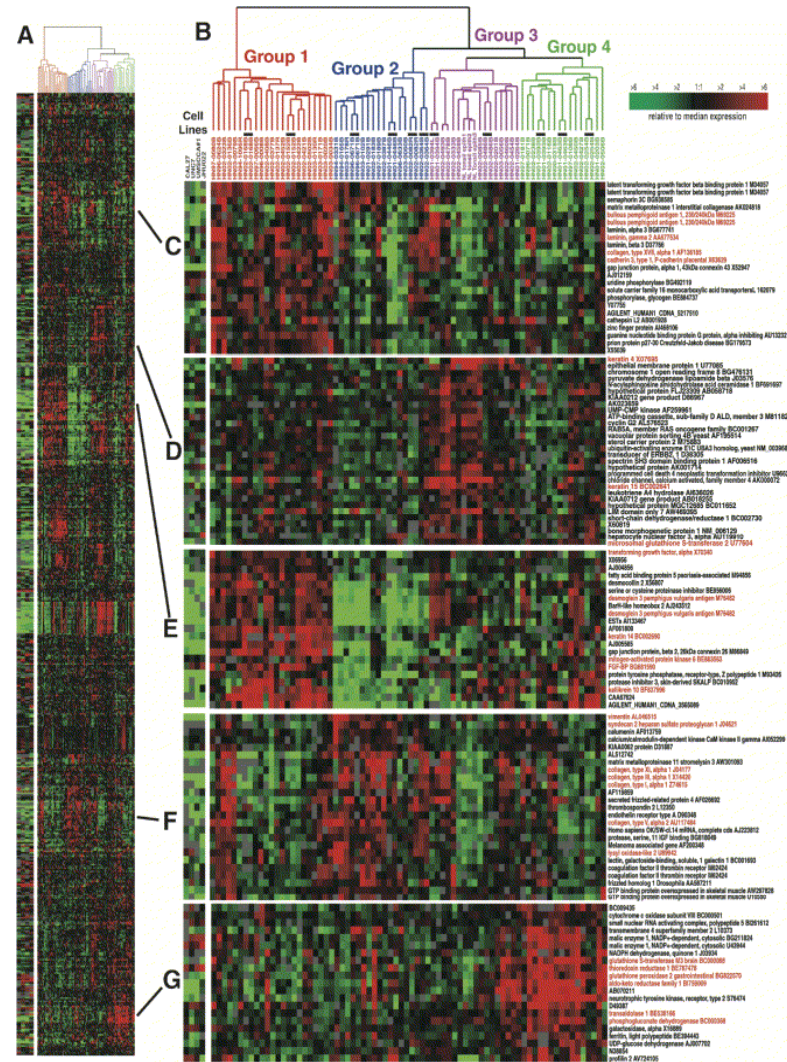
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P16 neg = 15 pts
5 non funct mut;
3 overexpr EGFR; overexpr cyclin D1;
1 PI3KA mut; 1 gene copy number

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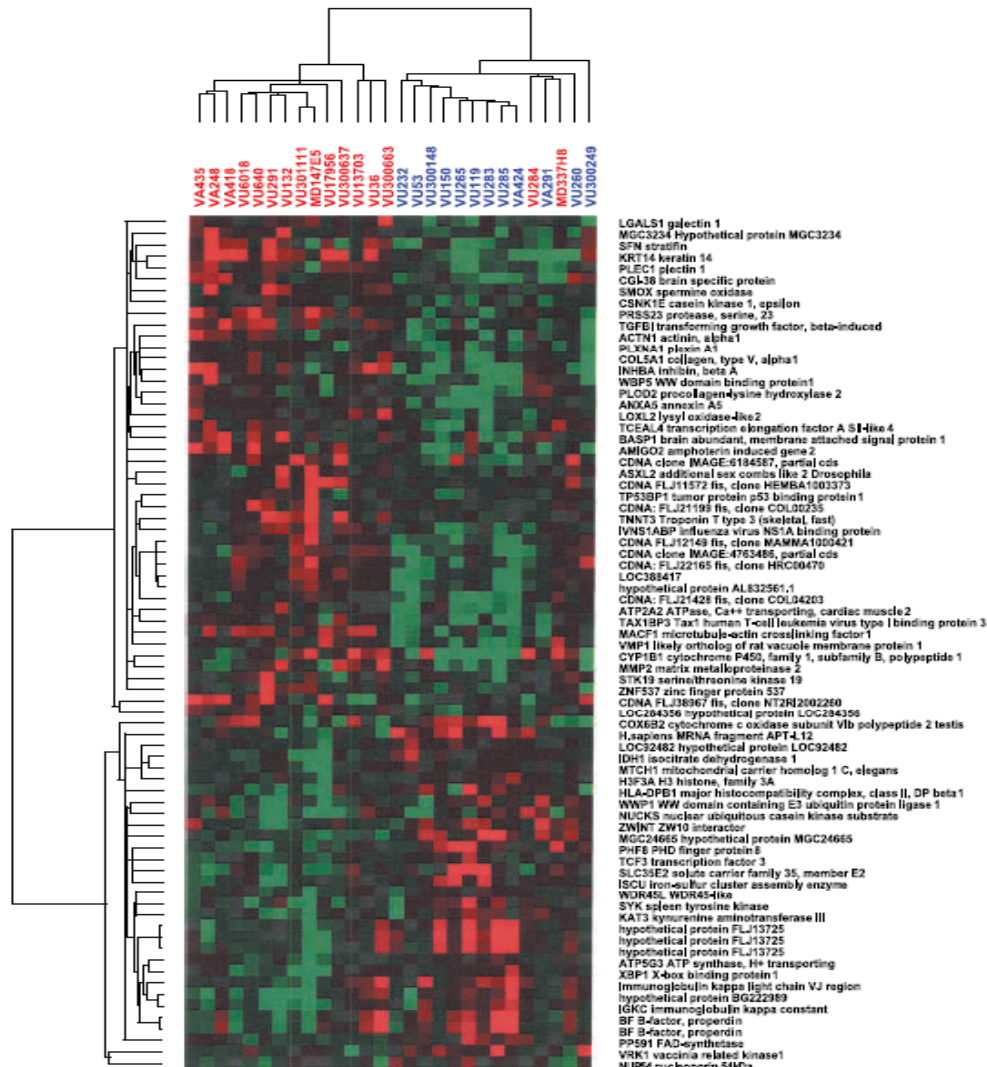


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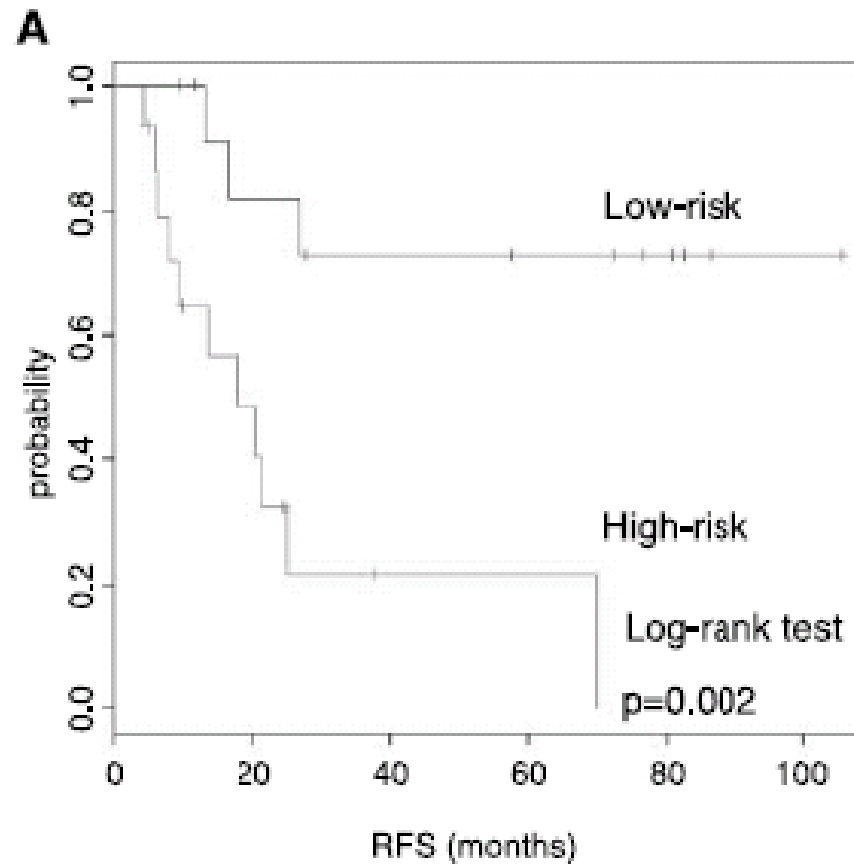
4 prognostic groups...

| group 1 | group 2 | group 3 | group 4 |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| TGF-alfa | Mesenchimal cell signature | Epithelium like signature | Antioxidant enzymes high levels |
| EGFR phos | | | |
| Angiogenic switch | | | |

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Significant signature by GSEA for HR group...

- Epithelial to mesenchymal transition
(*i.e* MM-P2; stratifin)
- Nuclear factor – kB
(*i.e* HIF 1-alfa MYC, PTEN, IGFR, HSP90)
- Cellular adhesion

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In brief

- High Throughput Technique
- P53, CDKN2A (p16), HRAS, PIK3CA, PTEN
- NOTCH (mut) tumor suppressor

SCC Gene Expression

Mutated genes in H&N

| Gene symbol | Function | Targets | TX | Mut rate |
|-------------|------------------|-------------------------|--|----------|
| TP53 | Tumor suppressor | p21,BAX, PUMA | Adenovirus based repalcement | 40-60% |
| NOTCH1 | Bivalent | Hes/Hey, p21 | Secretase i | 15% |
| HRAS | Oncogene | Raf/MEK/ERK PI3K/AKT | Dsi: MEK/AKT i Farnesyltransferase Antisense | 4-35% |
| PIK3CA | Oncogene | Akt, PLCgamma1 | PI3Ki Dsi: Akt, mTOR | 6-8% |
| CDKN2A | Tumor suppressor | CDK 4/6 | CDKi | 9% |

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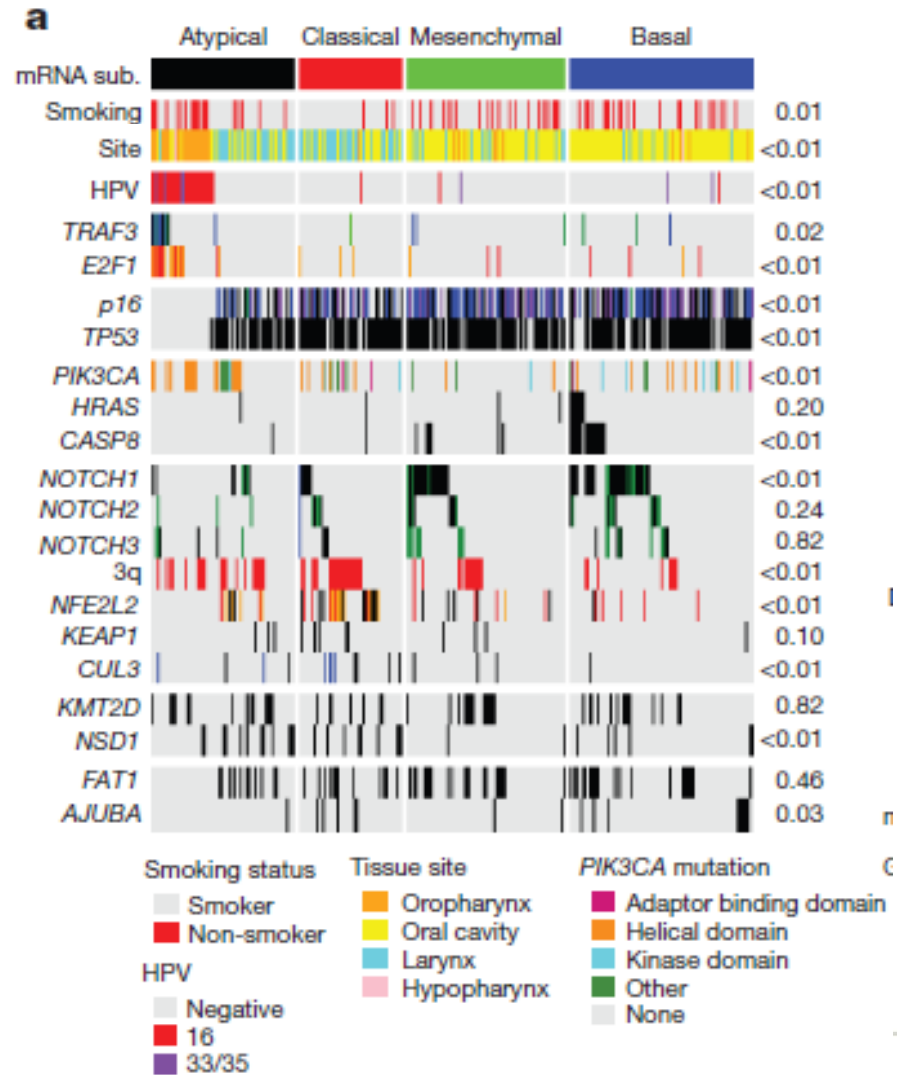
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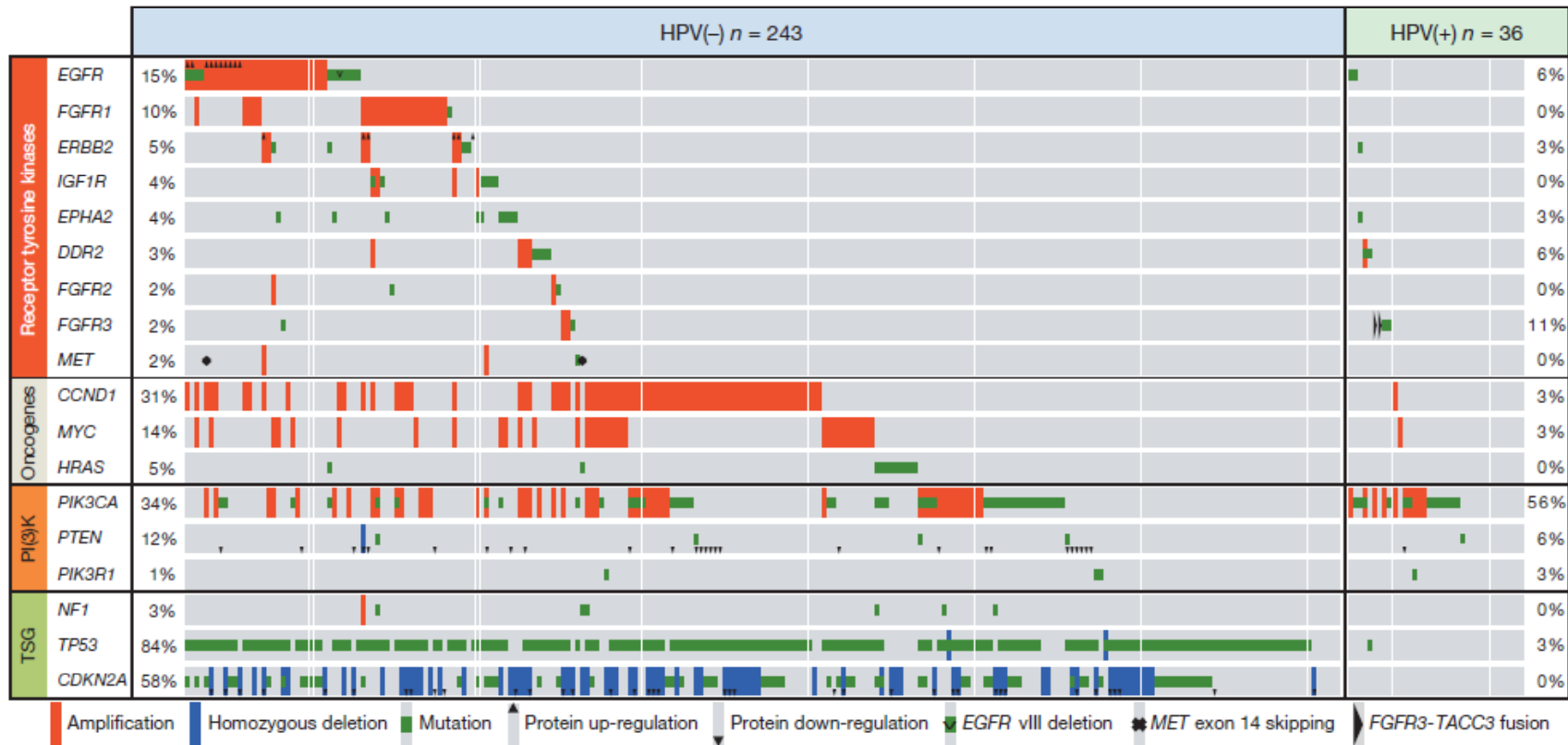
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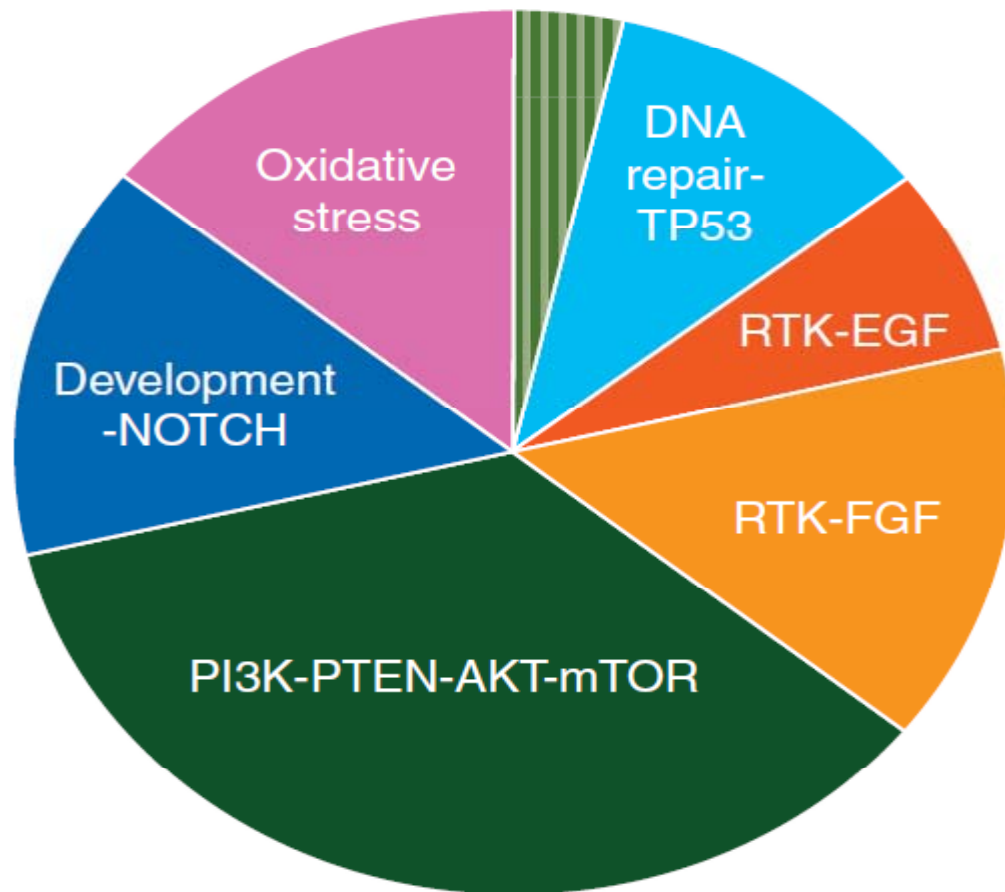
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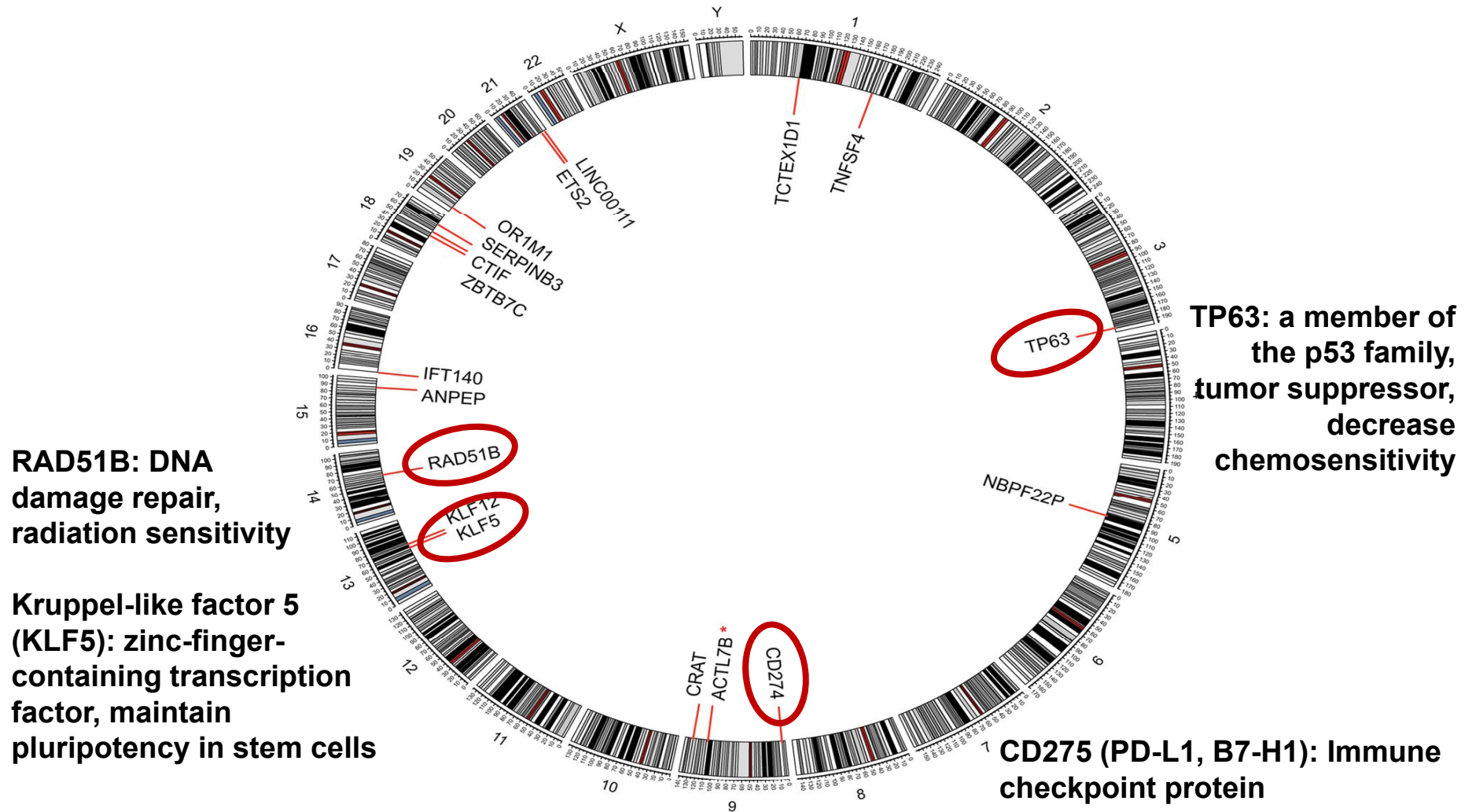


Deregulated pathways in HPV+ HNSCC



| Pathway name | % samples altered |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| PI3K-PTEN-AKT-mTOR | 48% |
| Development-NOTCH | 19% |
| Oxidative stress | 19% |
| RTK-EGF | 19% |
| RTK-FGF | 14% |
| DNA repair-53 | 14% |
| RTK-GF-EGF | 10% |
| Cell cycle-CCND-RB1 | 5% |
| Cell cycle-CDKN2A/B-CDK | 0% |

Integration sites of HPV16 in HNSCC



SALIVARY GLAND TUMOR



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Surveillance of Rare Cancers in Europe



| Tumour | Rate | Patients |
|--|-------------|---------------|
| EPITHELIAL TUMOURS OF MAJOR SALIVARY GLANDS AND SALIVARY-GLAND TYPE TUMOURS | 1,31 | 10.514 |
| Epithelial tumours of major salivary glands | 0,73 | 5.861 |
| Salivary gland type tumours of head and neck | 0,43 | 3.451 |

Rate: Incidence considered as number of cases / 100,000 persons / year

2005 WHO SGC CLASSIFICATION

Acinic cell carcinoma

Mucoepidermoid carcinoma

Adenoid cystic carcinoma

**Polymorphous low-grade
adenocarcinoma**

Epithelial-myoepithelial carcinoma

Clear cell carcinoma, NOS

Basal cell adenocarcinoma

Sebaceous carcinoma

Sebaceous lymphadenocarcinoma

Cystadenocarcinoma

**Low-grade cribriform
cystadenocarcinoma**

Mucinous adenocarcinoma

Oncocytic carcinoma

Salivary duct carcinoma

Adenocarcinoma, NOS

Myoepithelial carcinoma

Carcinoma ex pleomorphic adenoma

Carcinosarcoma

Metastatizing pleomorphic adenoma

Squamous cell carcinoma

Small cell carcinoma

Large cell carcinoma

Lymphoepithelial carcinoma

Sialoblastoma

SGC RISK FACTORS

- **Radiation exposure**
 - **Radiation treatment to the head and neck**
 - **Workplace exposure**
- **Family history**
- **Nickel alloy dust silica dust – not certain**

HIGH RISK SALIVARY GLAND CANCER

- **SDC**
- **MCC: grading**
- **ACC: staging (bone), hist. pattern (solid component > 30%), surg margins**
- **AdC: grading**
- **MC: grading**
- **Acinic Cell C: submandibular origin, staging**
- **EMC recurrence 40%**

Whole exome sequencing of adenoid cystic carcinoma

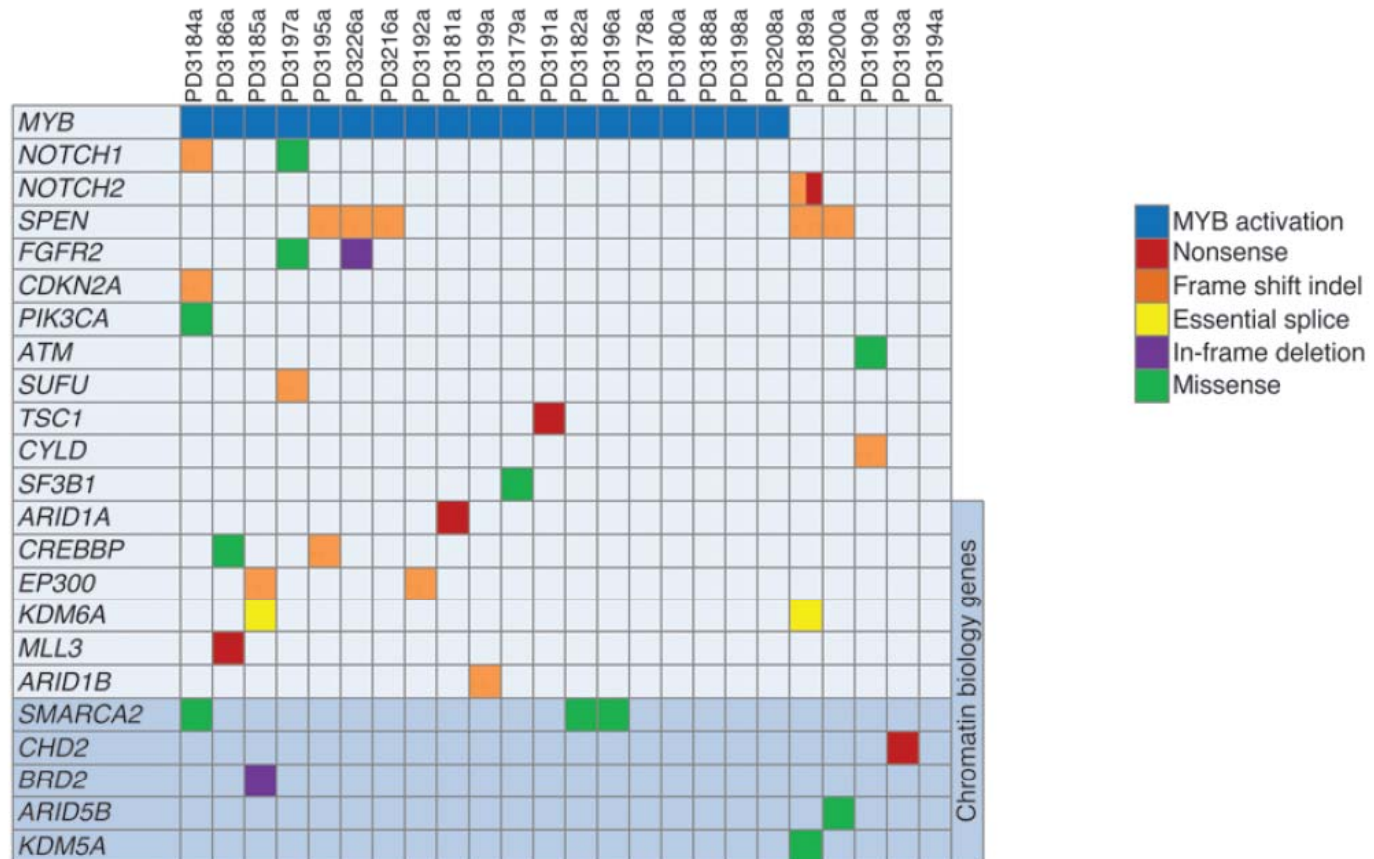
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INCIDENCE, PATHOLOGY, RISK FACTORS OF SCC

THANKS!



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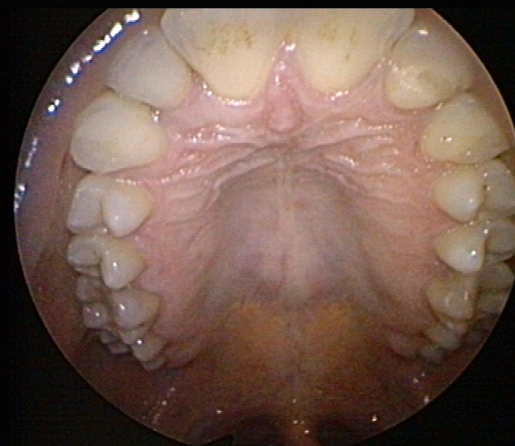
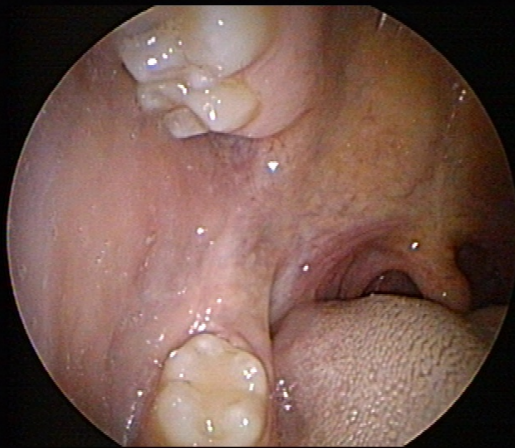
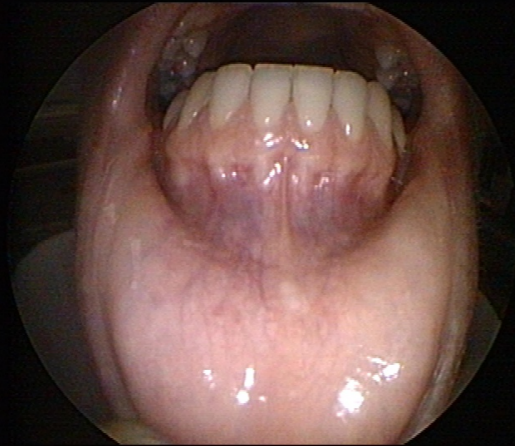




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Oral Cavity

Oropharynx



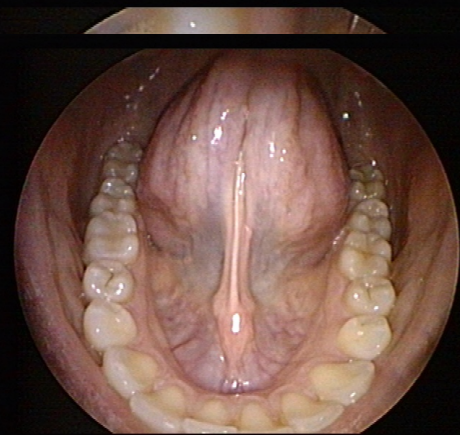
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Oral Cavity



Anterior tongue

Floor of mouth



Buccal mucosa

Alveolar ridge or gum

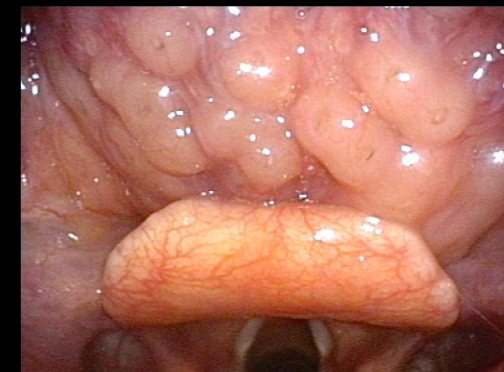


Retromolar trigone

Hard palate

Oropharynx

Base of tongue



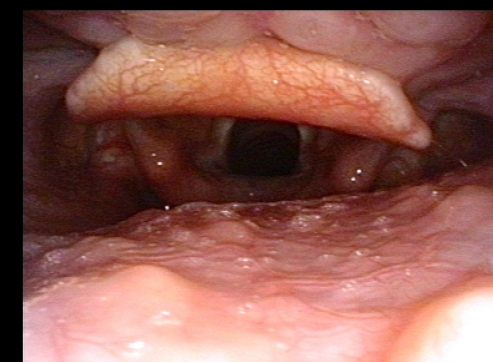
Tonsil



Soft palate



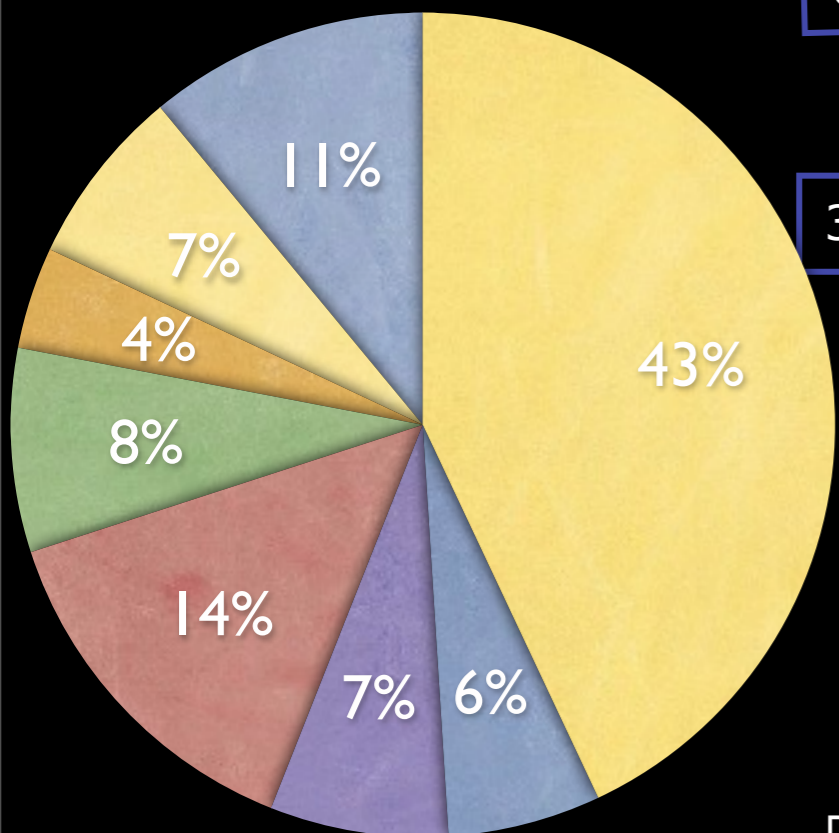
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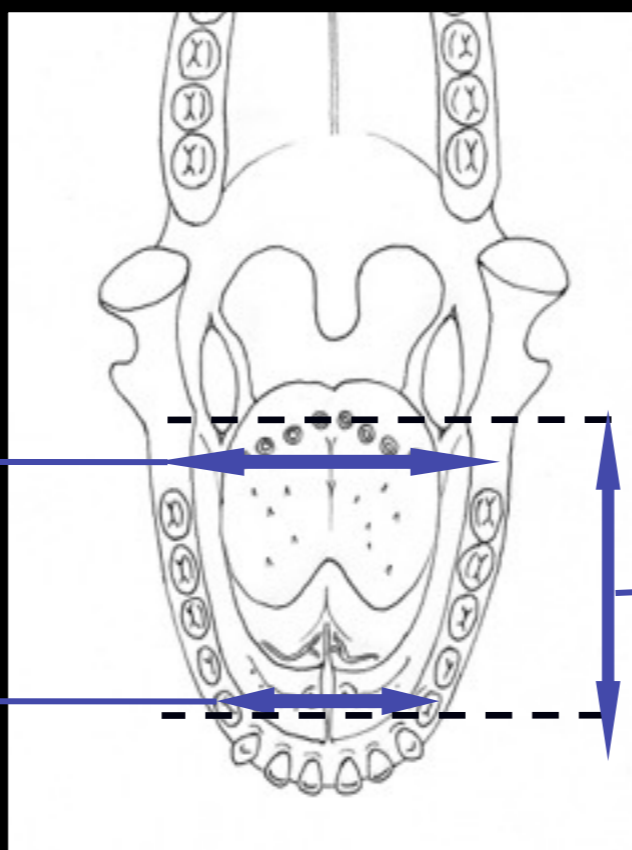
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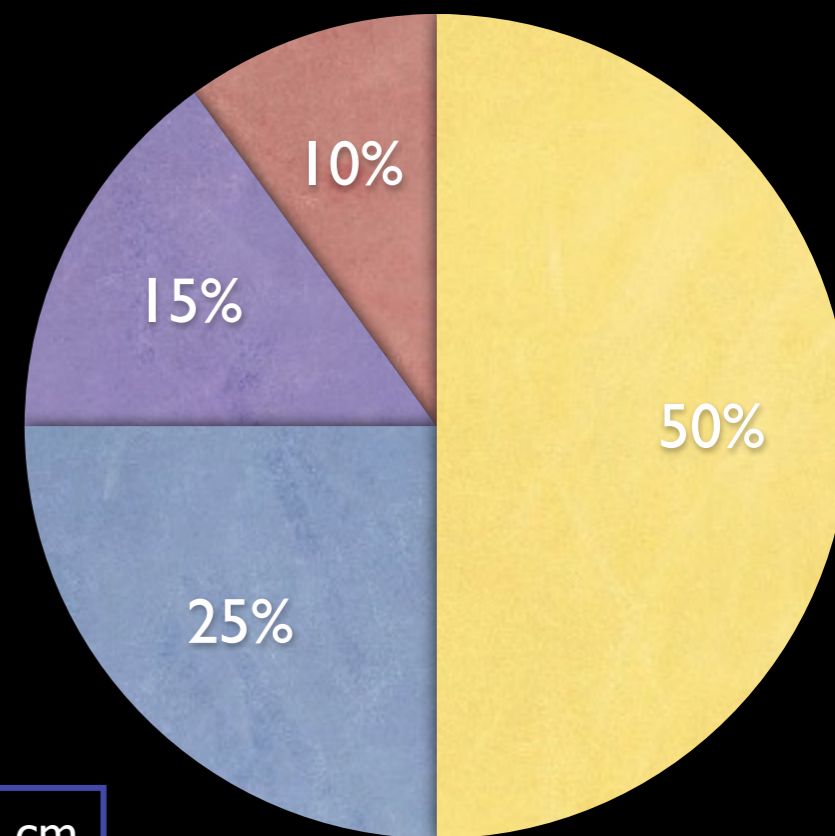
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- Oral Cavity, NOS



SITE



Oropharynx



- Base of Tongue
- Tonsil
- Soft Palate
- Pharyngeal Wall

Data from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York

STAGING

ORAL CAVITY

T1 Tumor 2cm or less in its greatest dimension

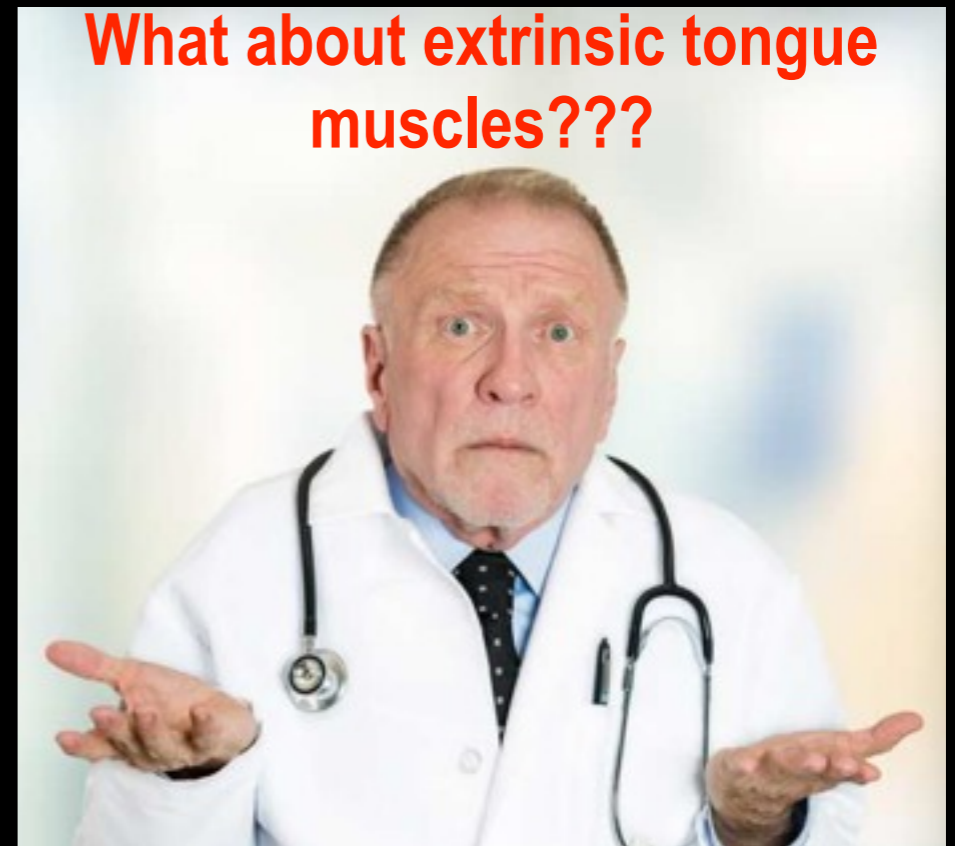
T2 Tumor bigger than 2 cm but less than 4 cm in its greatest dimension

T3 Tumor bigger than 4 cm in its greatest dimension

T4 **T4a** tumor invades adjacent structures (eg. through cortical bone of the mandible, **into deep extrinsic muscle of the tongue**, maxillary sinus, skin of face)

T4b tumor invades masticatory space, pterygoid plates, or skull base and/or encases the internal carotid artery

What about extrinsic tongue muscles???



STAGING

OROPHARYNX

- T1** Tumor 2 cm or less in its greatest dimension
- T2** Tumor bigger than 2 cm but less than 4 cm in its greatest dimension
- T3** Tumor bigger than 4 cm in its greatest dimension
- T4** **T4a:** tumor invades the larynx, deep/extrinsic muscle of the tongue, medial pterygoid muscle, hard palate or mandible
T4b: tumor invades lateral pterygoid muscle, pterygoid plates, lateral nasopharynx or skull base or encases the carotid artery

SCC variants

- ✓ spindle cell
- ✓ adenosquamous
- ✓ verrucous
- ✓ papillary

Glandular carcinomas

- ✓ adenocarcinoma
- ✓ mucoepidermoid
- ✓ adenoid cystic
- ✓ acinic cell
- ✓ undifferentiated

HISTOPATHOLOGY

Conventional SCC (G1, G2, G3)

- ✓ spindle cell
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- ✓ papillary

SCC variants



90%



Malignant melanoma

Soft tissues sarcomas

Lymphoproliferative disorders

Secondary tumors (kidney, lung)

Glandular carcinomas

- ✓ adenocarcinoma
- ✓ mucoepidermoid
- ✓ adenoid cystic
- ✓ acinic cell
- ✓ undifferentiated

10%



DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

- 👁️ **Clinical evaluation** (site, dimension, dentation, trismus)
- 👁️ **Bi-dimensional (superficial) evaluation**
 - ✓ HDTV-NBI
 - ✓ Autofluorescence
 - ✓ Toluidine blue
- 👁️ **Three-dimensional (deep) evaluation**
 - ✓ Imaging (MRI, CT, neck US)
- 👁️ **“Systemic evaluation”**
 - ✓ Imaging (PET, PET-CT, PET-MRI)
- 👁️ **Pathologic examination**
 - ✓ Biopsy
 - ✓ HPV
 - ✓ EGFR



CLINICAL EVALUATION

MORPHOLOGY

MACROSCOPIC ASPECT

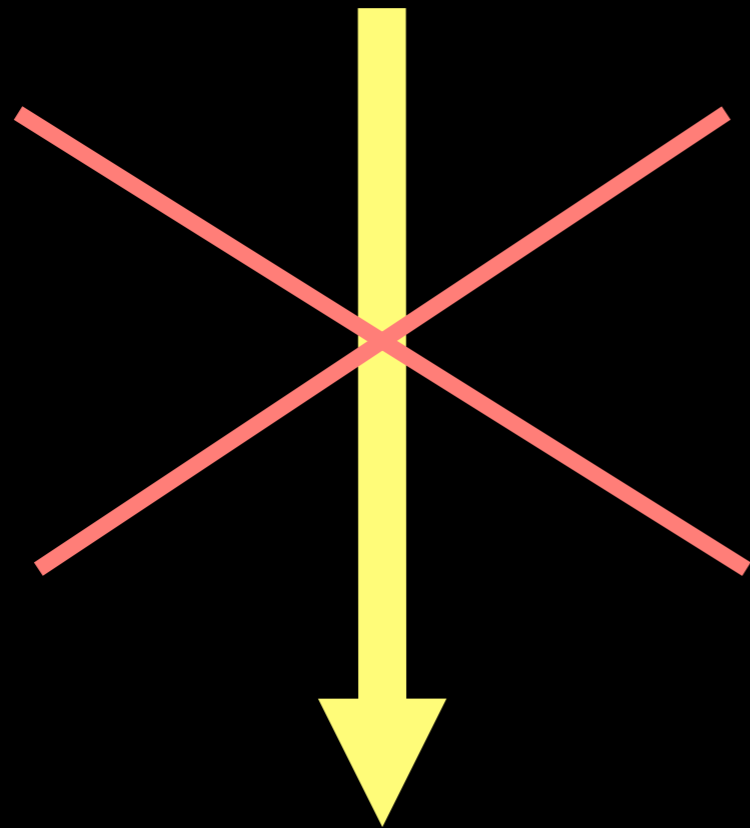


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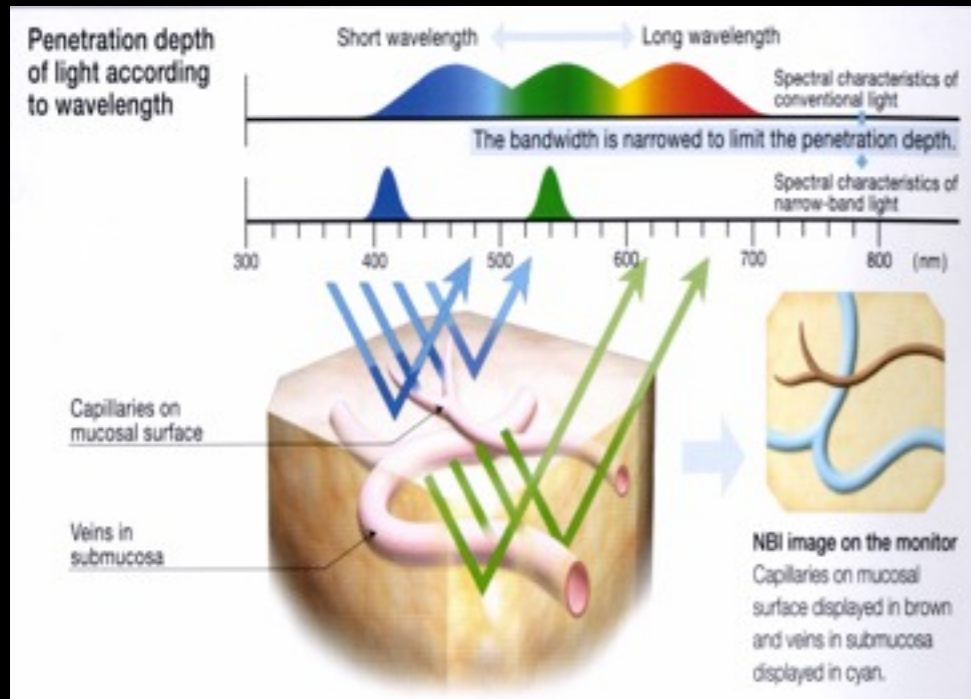
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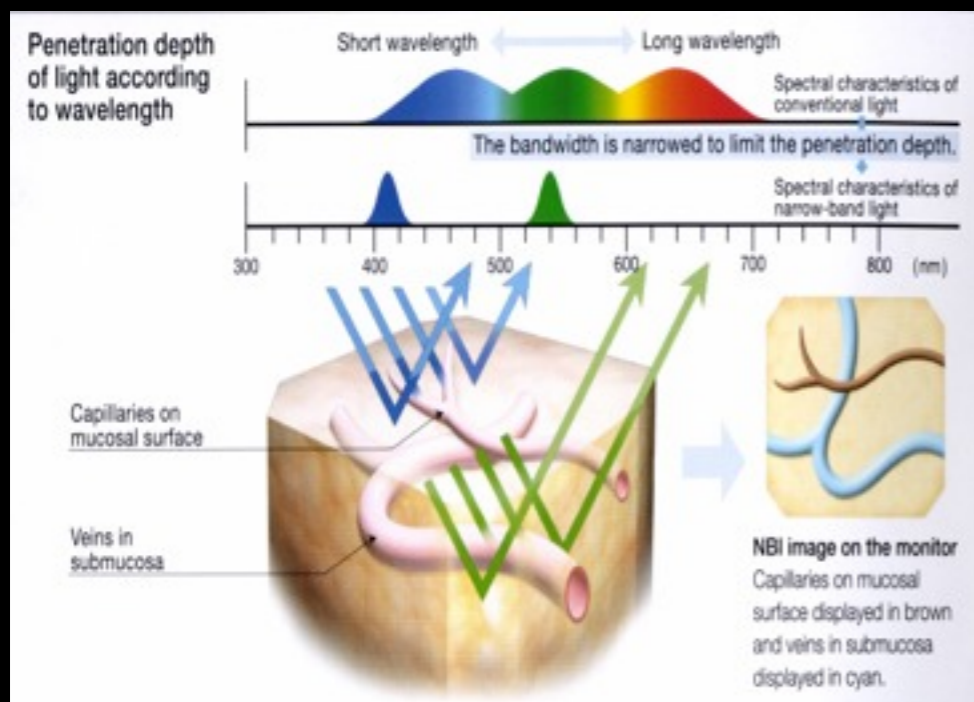
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HDTV-WL and NBI (Narrow Band Imaging)



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Optical biopsy

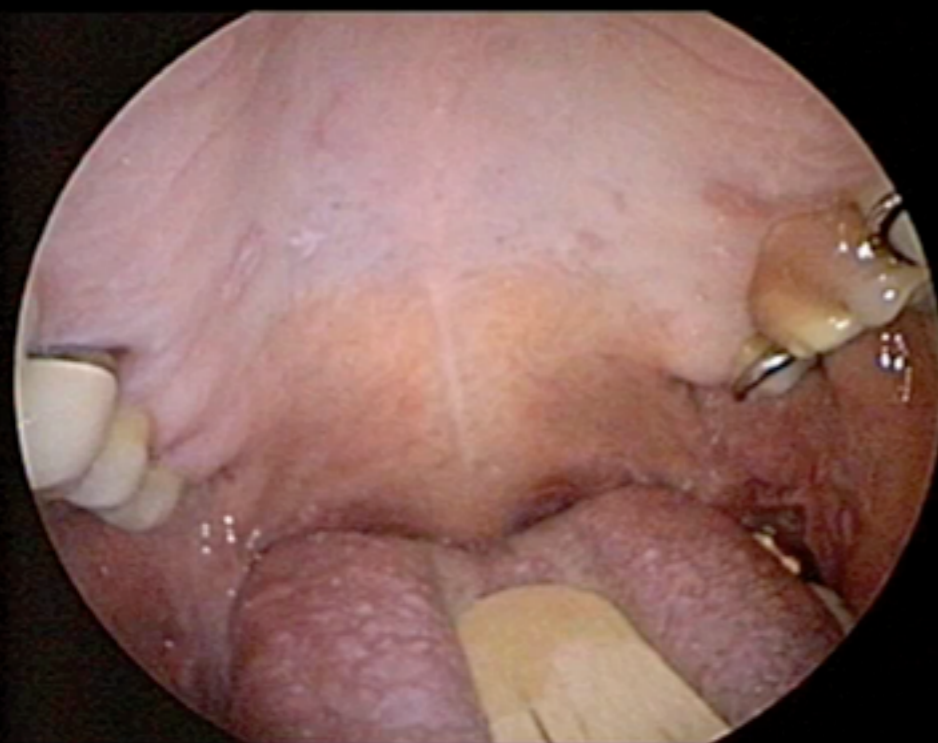
Unknown primaries

Better definition of surgical margins

Identification of synchronous tumors

Early detection of persistence/recurrence

Metachronous tumor



THREE DIMENSIONAL EVALUATION

IMAGING EVALUATION

PET-CT

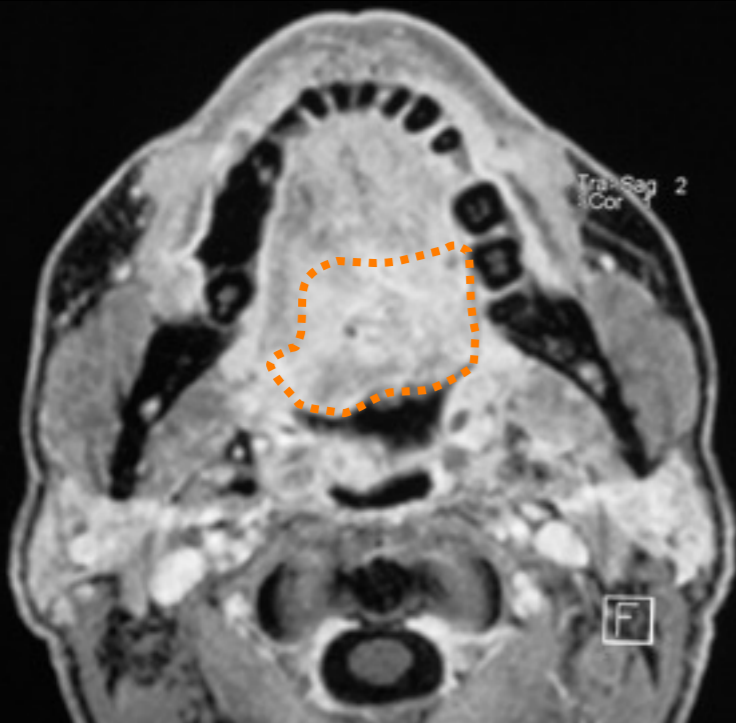
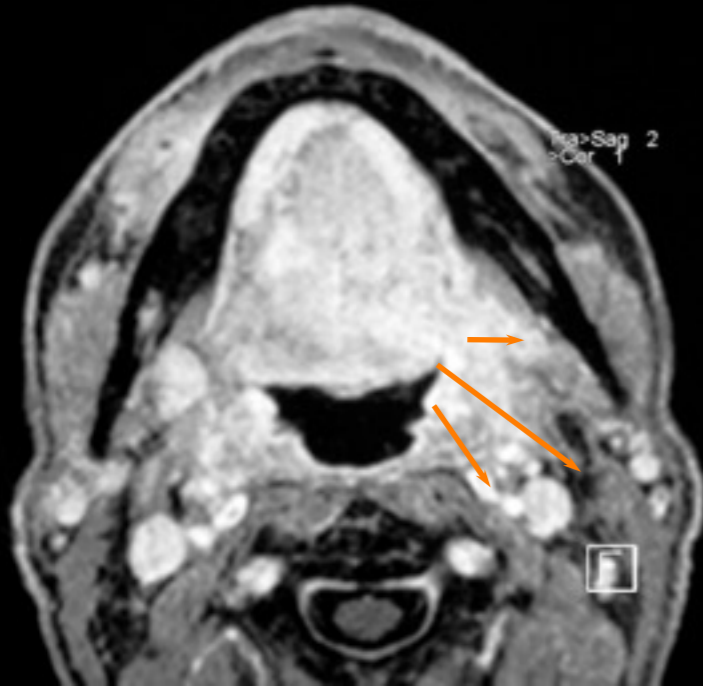
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CT/MRI

US

PET-CT



Soft tissue extension
(i.e. parapharyngeal space)

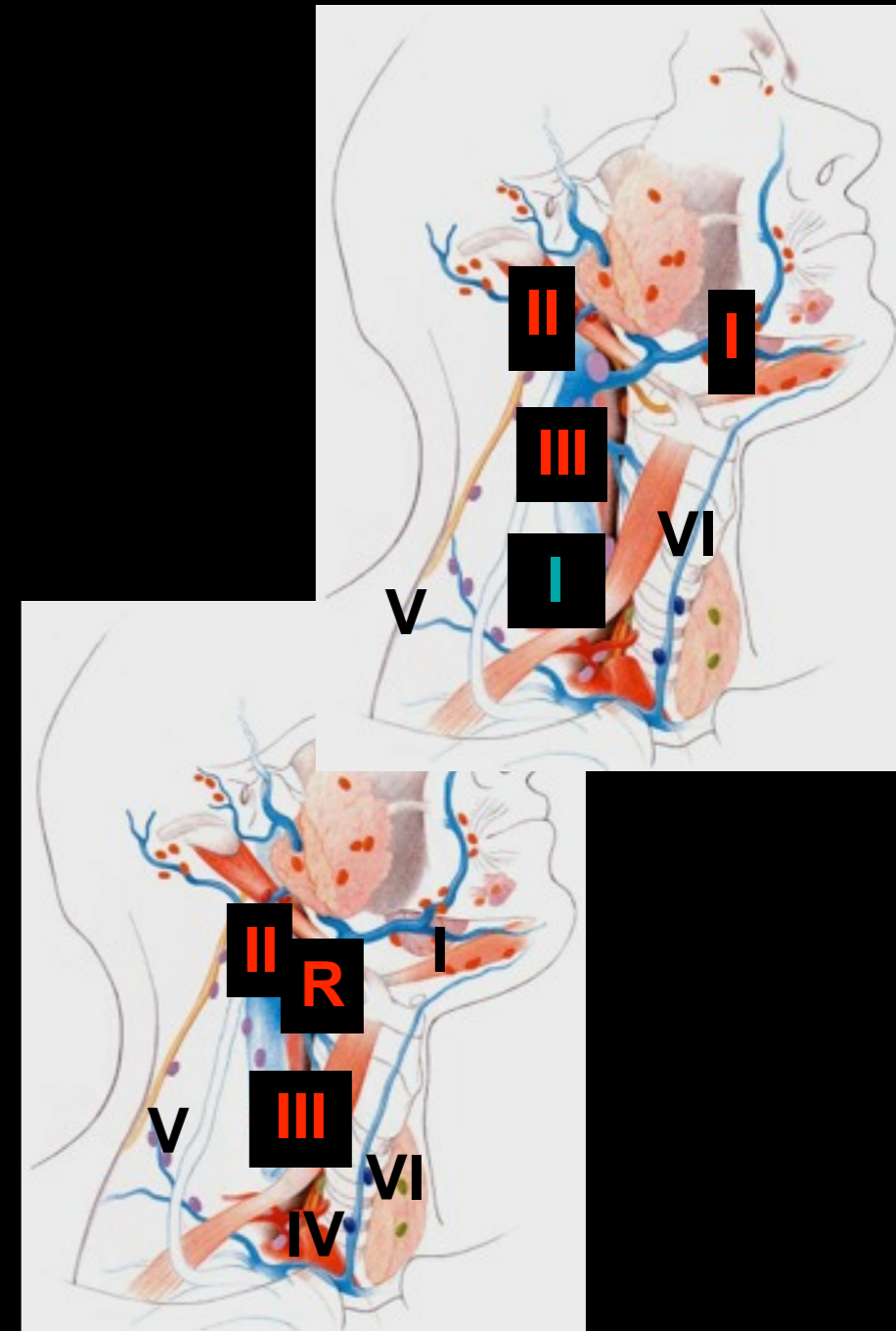
Mandibular involvement

Pterygoid muscles and plates
styloid muscles

Hypoglossal nerve(s)

Lingual artery(ies)

N status



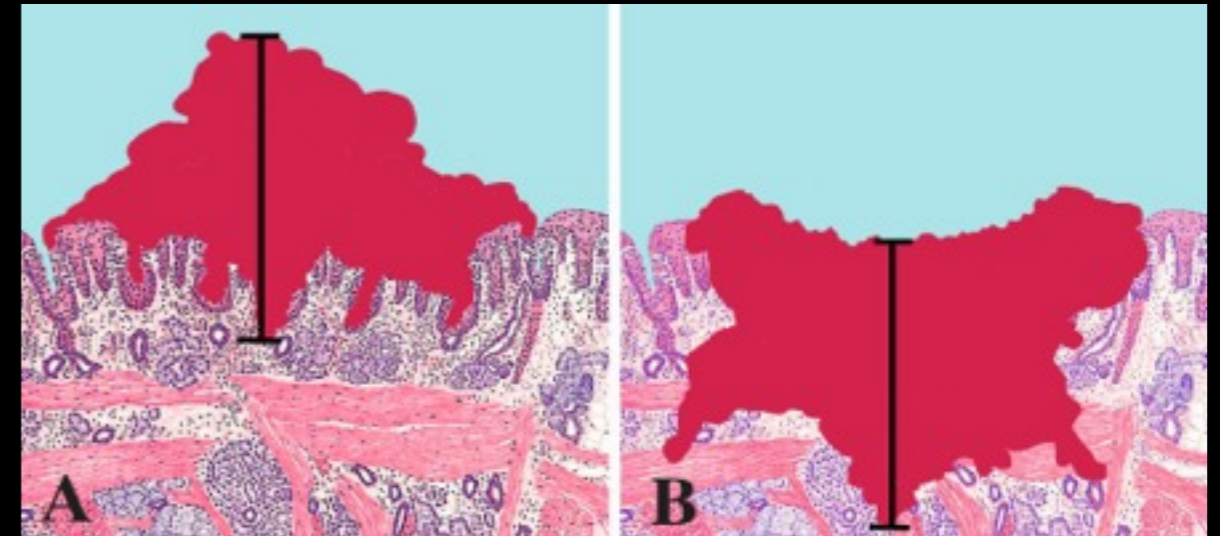
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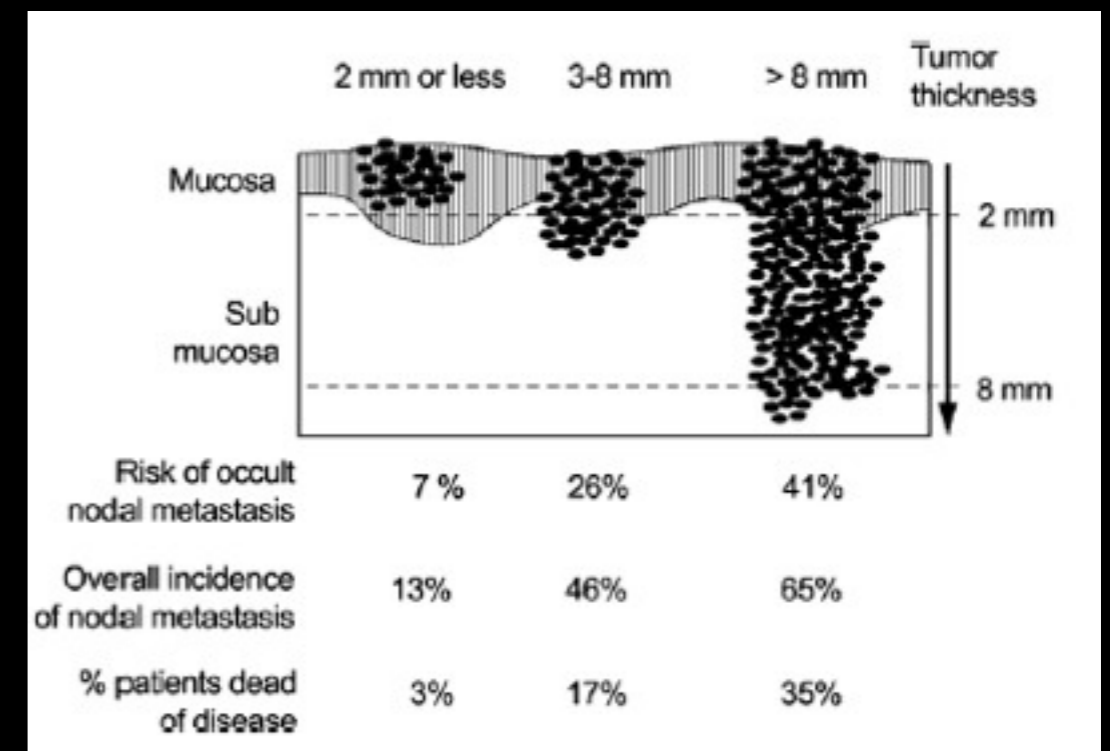
Thickness of the lesion

≠

depth of infiltration



| Tumor Thickness | 5-year Disease Survival (%) | Treatment Failure (%) |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| < 2 mm | 97 | 2 |
| 2-8 mm | 83 | 45 |
| > 8 mm | 65 | 45 |



Spiro et al., Am J Surg 1986

Shah et al., Oral Oncol 2009

INFILTRATION PATTERN

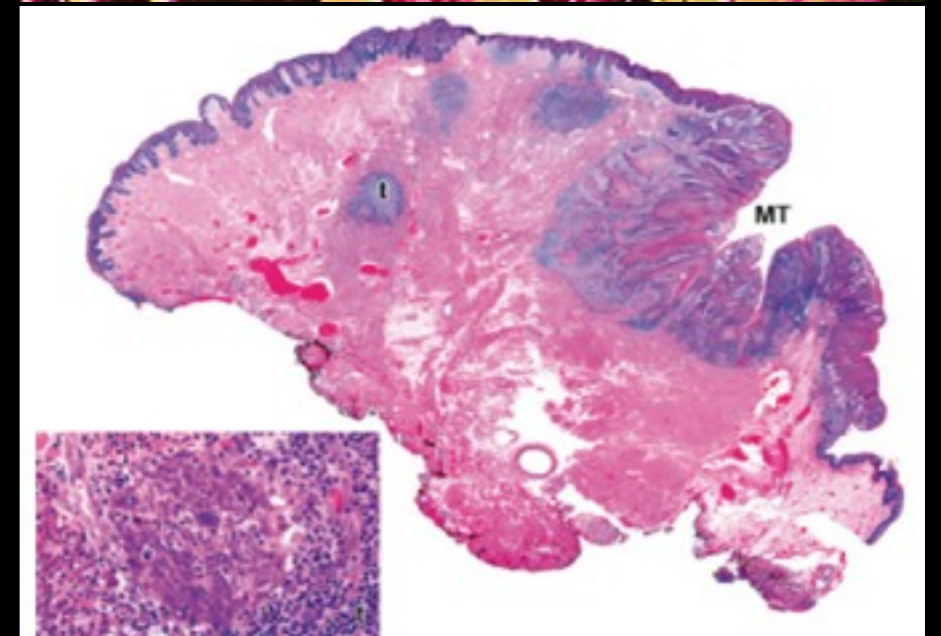
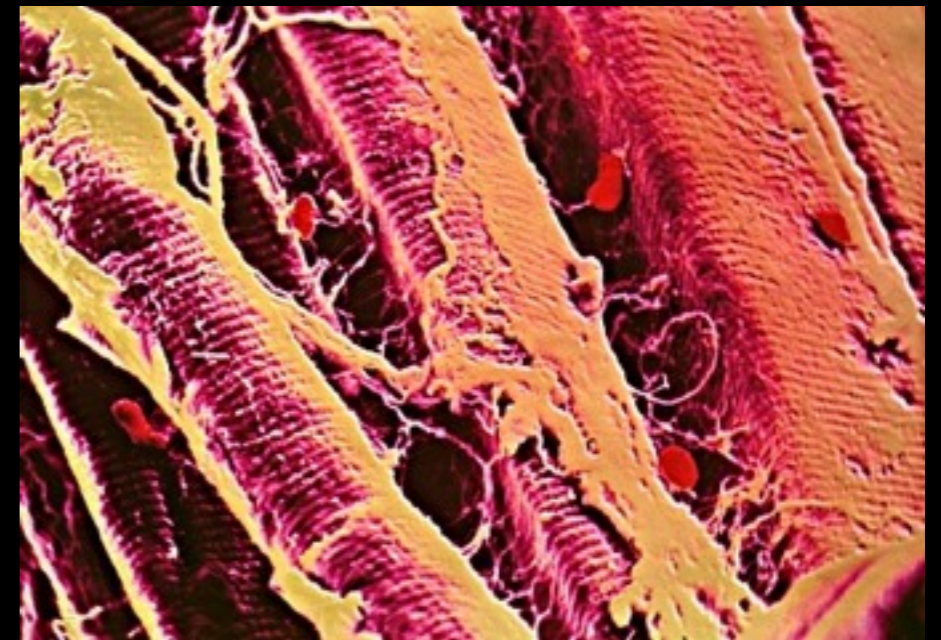
INSIDE LINGUAL MUSCLES - 2 directions:

- perpendicular to the mucosal surface
- longitudinal, in the extrinsic muscles (pT4)

OTHER MINOR RESISTENCE PATHWAYS:

- blood vessels
- lymphatic vessels
- neural fibers

SUBLINGUAL GLAND and MUSCLES OF THE FLOOR OF MOUTH



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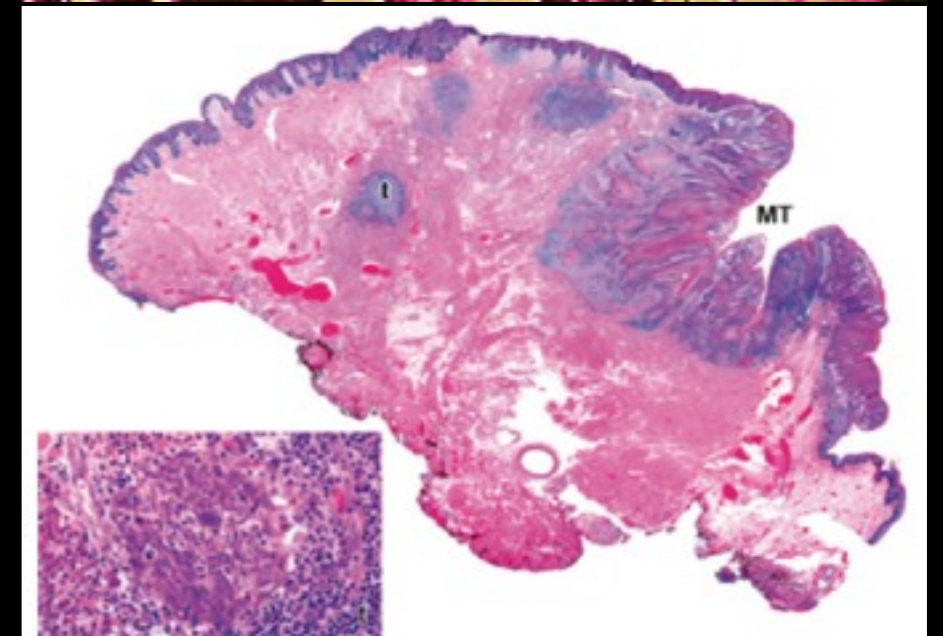
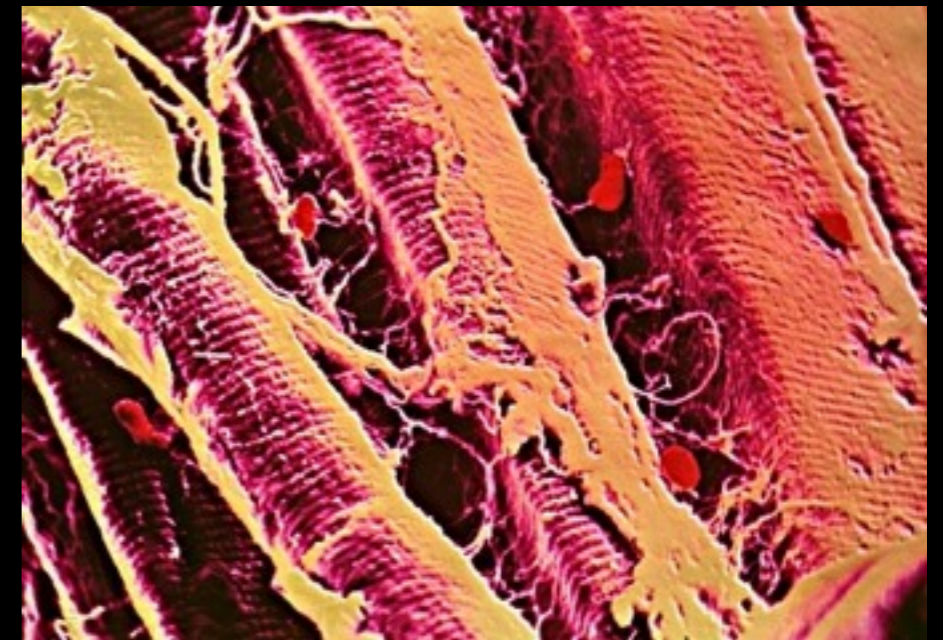
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Satellitosis and local micrometastases

ORAL CAVITY

T2 vs T4

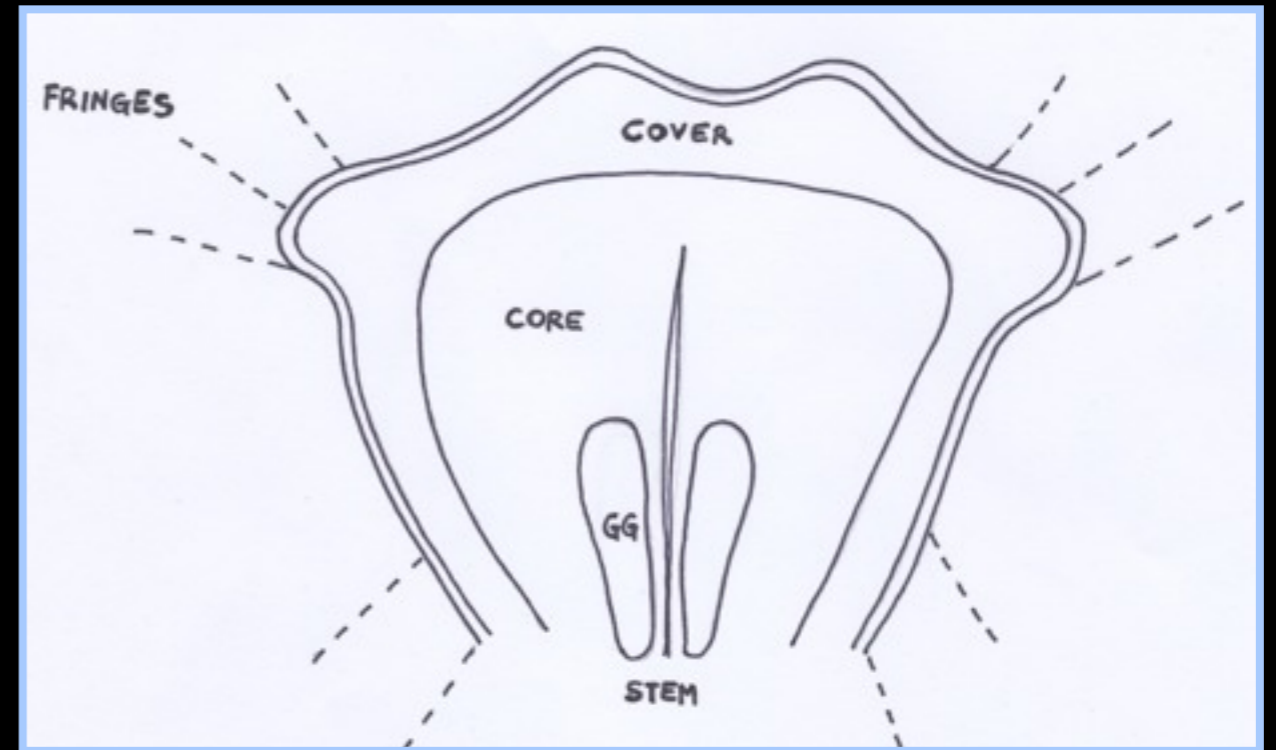
KEY POINTS

Depth of infiltration

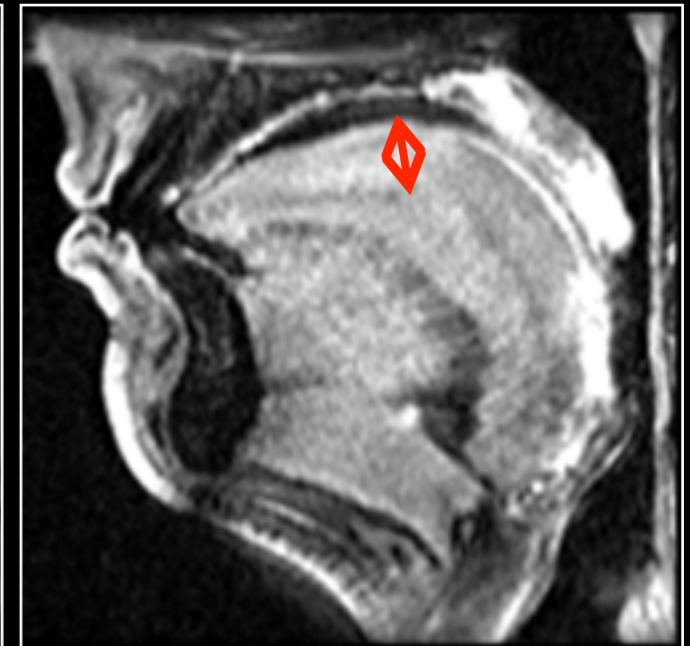
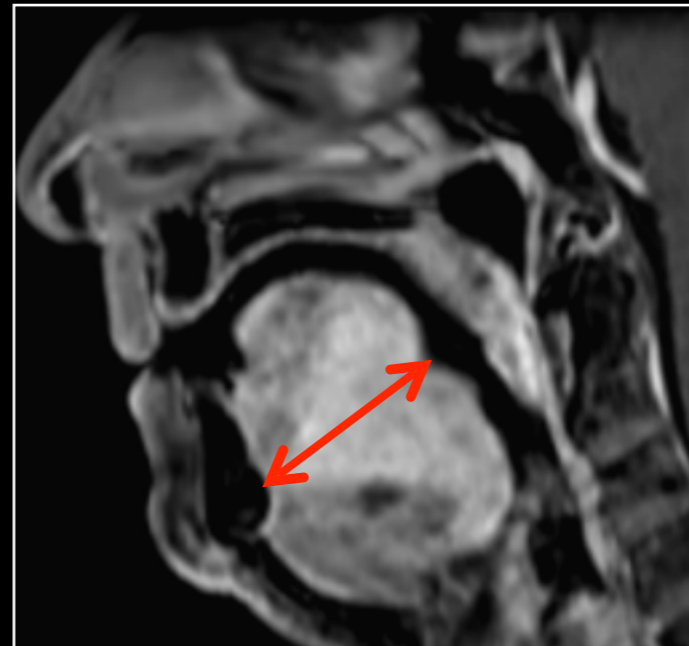


Involvement of extrinsic muscles

1 cm cut-off

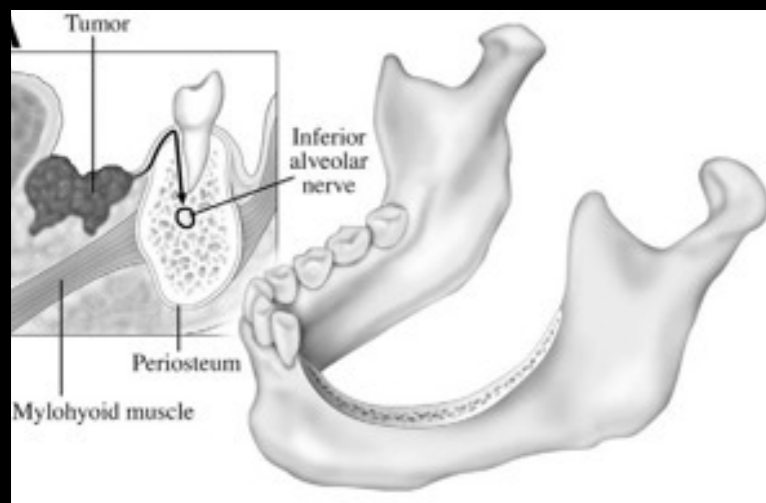


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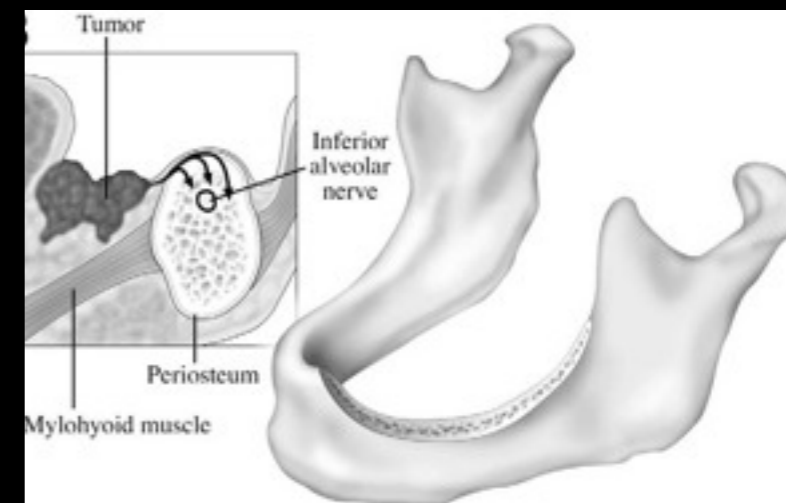


ORAL CAVITY

MANDIBULAR INVOLVEMENT



Dentate patients
VS
Edentulous patients



| | OPT* | CT# | SPET° | SPECT* | MRI^ |
|-------------|------|-----|-------|--------|------|
| SENSITIVITY | 50% | 96% | 95% | 95% | 93% |
| SPECIFICITY | 94% | 87% | 48% | 72% | 93% |
| PPV | 91% | 89% | 65% | 79% | 88% |
| NPV | 63% | 95% | 93% | 93% | 96% |

* : Imola et al., Laryngoscope 2001

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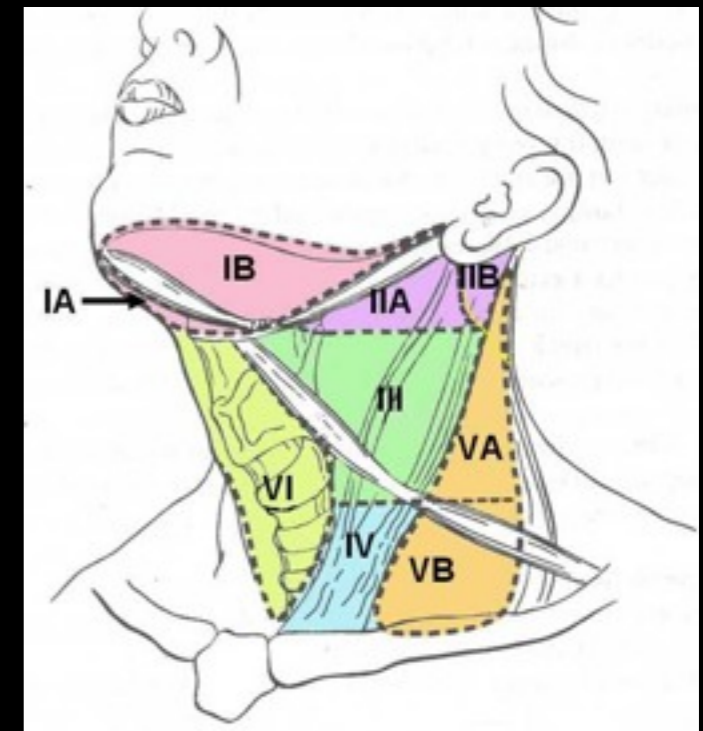
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N STAGING

30-50% of OC/OP tumors are cN+ at the diagnosis

Prevalence of N in relation to subsite

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Mobile tongue | 50-70% |
| Floor of the mouth | 20-40% |
| Gengiva (alveolus) | 20-40% |
| Retromolar trigon | 20-40% |
| Base tongue - tonsil | > 70% |
| Soft palate | 45% |



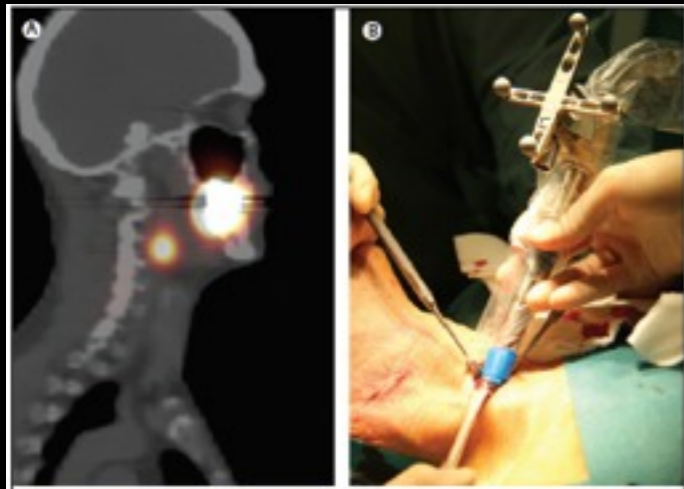
SECOND PRIMARIES

Second primaries in the UADT after a primary in the OC or OP develop in 14% (4-6% every year)



DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

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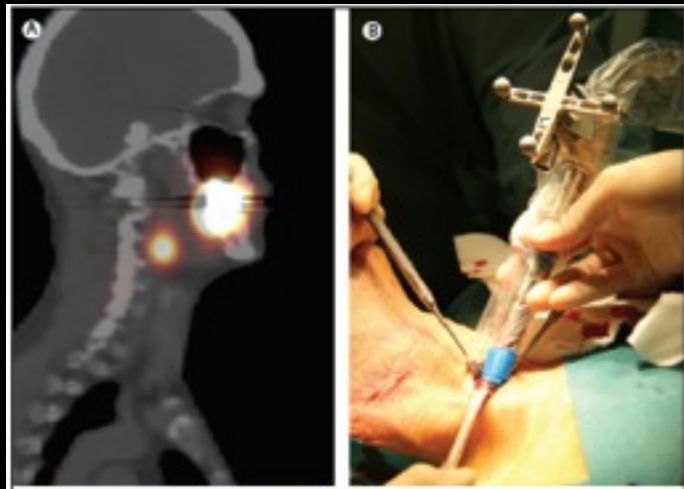
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Minimally invasive

Little morbidity

Negative predictive value 90-95%

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STAGING

LOW RISK

Precancerous lesions

Carcinoma in situ

T1

T2 < 3 cm

T with thickness < 5 mm

N0

HIGH RISK

T with thickness > 4 mm

T2 > 3 cm

T3

T4

N+

STAGING

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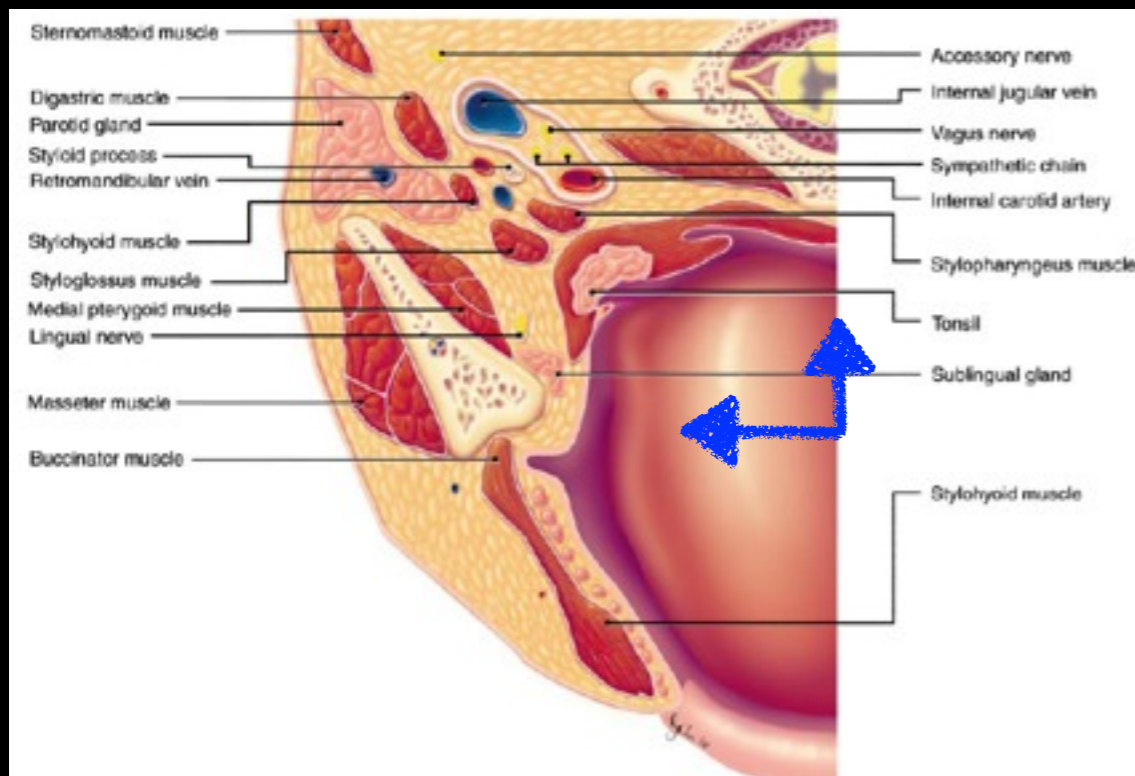
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OROPHARYNX: SUBSITES

POSTERIOR PHARYNGEAL WALL

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Pathways of spreading

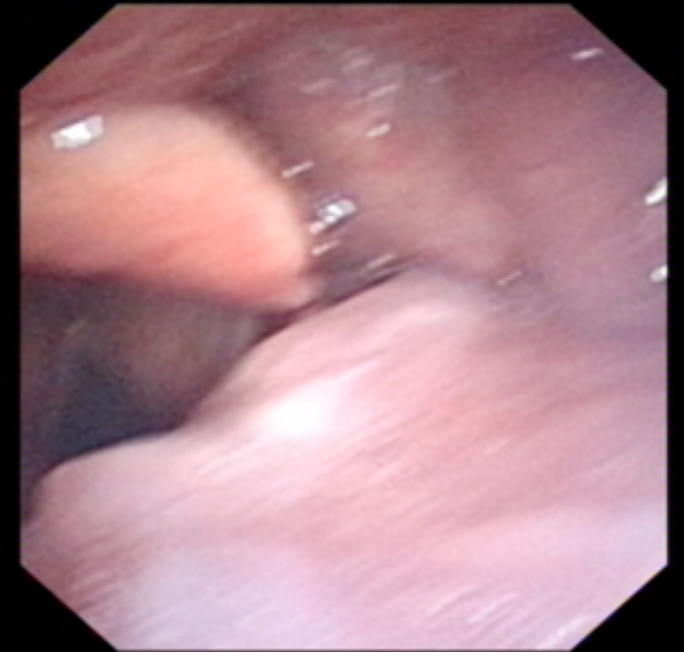
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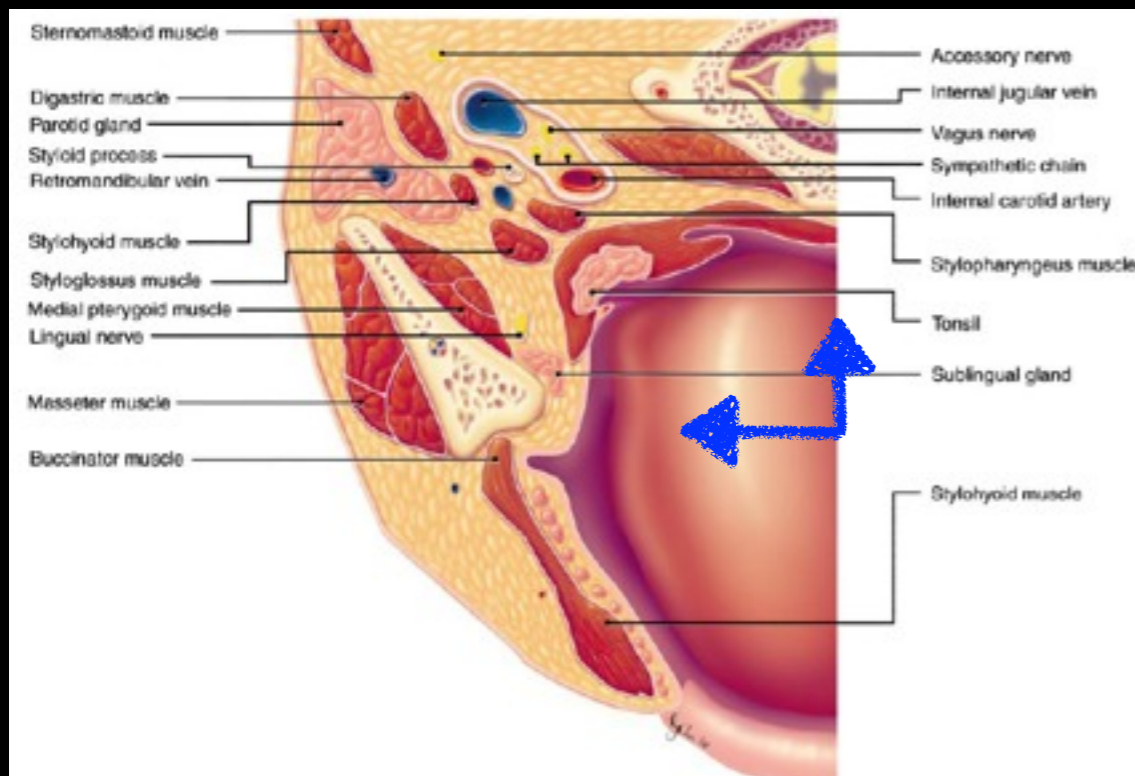
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retropharyngeal involvement
prevertebral space involvement
N status

OROPHARYNX: SUBSITES

BASE OF THE TONGUE

Often poorly differentiated (up to 60%)

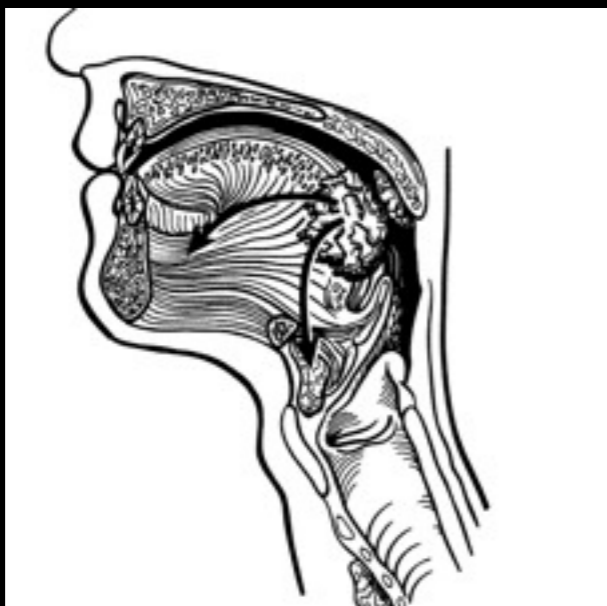
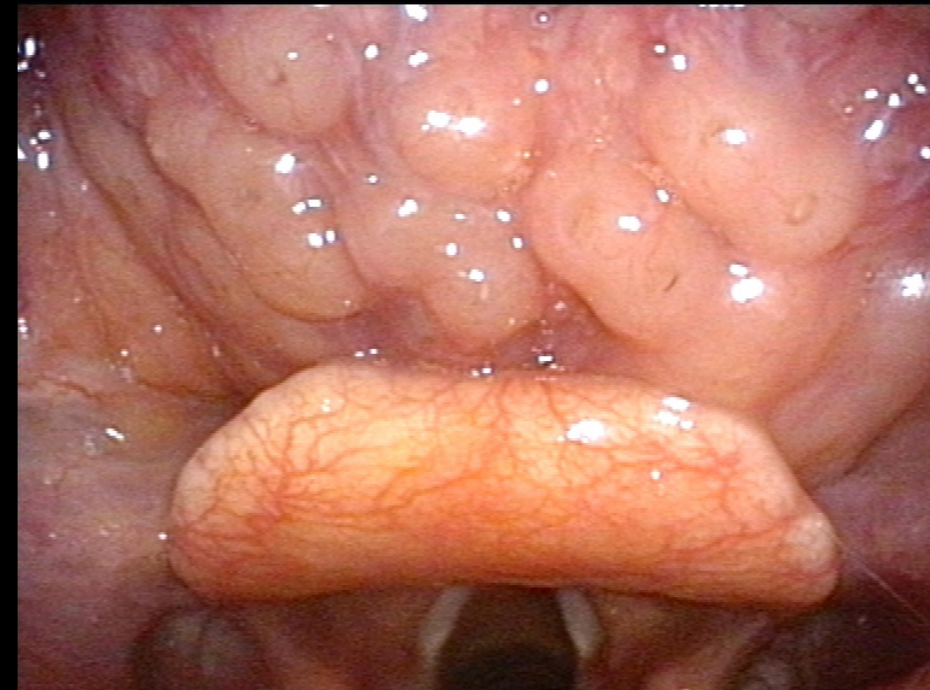
Presentation: 60% of SCC have nodal involvement, bilateral in 30% (levels II-III, IV)

T1-2 present at least with one cervical metastasis, (up to 20% with bilateral N)

30-50% with uncontrolled base of tongue SCC will present M

Symptoms: sore throat and dysphagia

Difficult to detect: often becomes clinically evident in advanced stage (submucosal mass): this due to absence of pain fibers

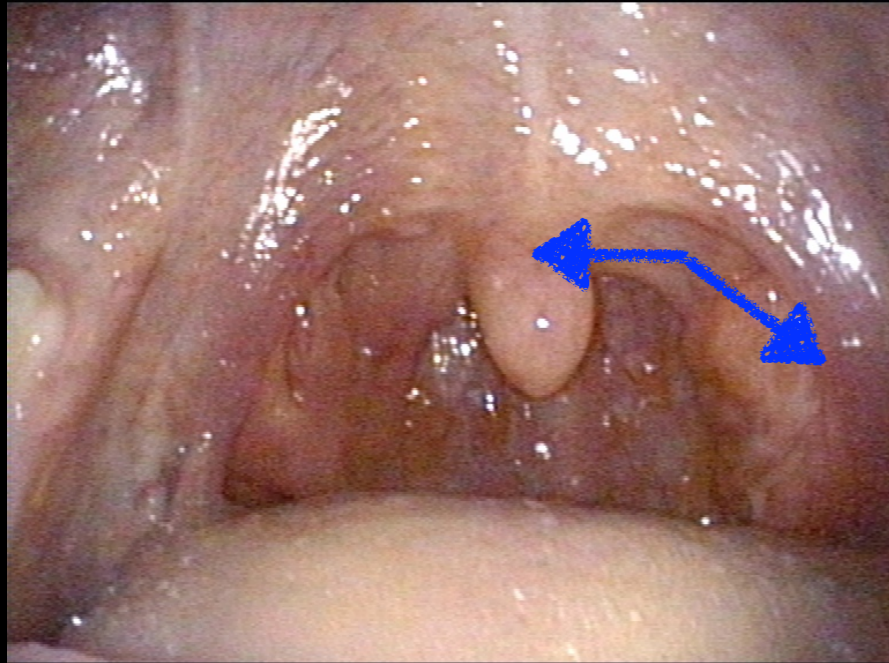


KEY POINTS:

site, size and relation with the midline
submucosal extension
extension to the mobile tongue and oral cavity
extension to the larynx (preepiglottic space, supraglottis)
N status (levels II, III, IV)
M status

OROPHARYNX: SUBSITES

SOFT PALATE



Uncommon, often diagnosed at early stages

Asymptomatic (generally with submucosal growth)

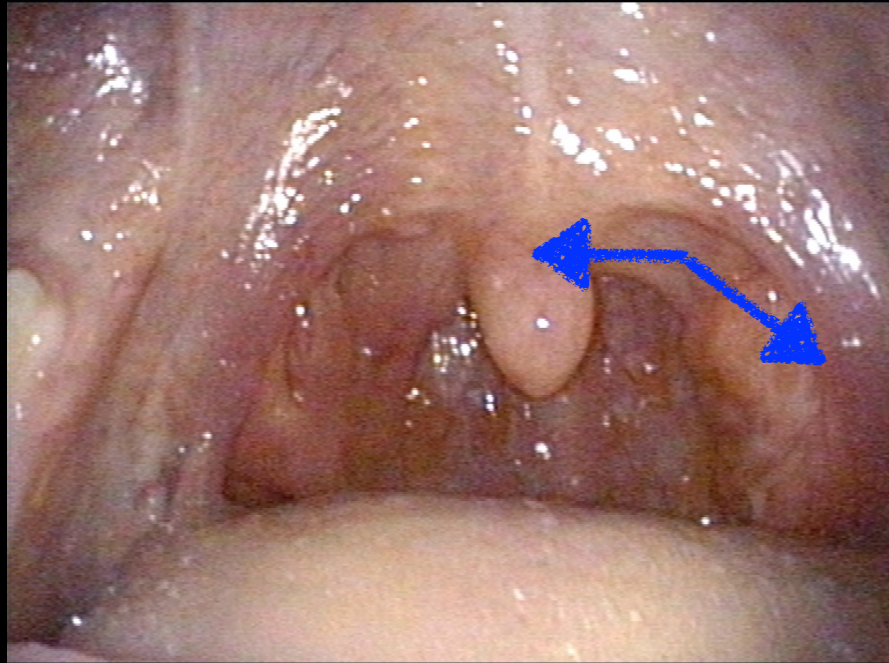
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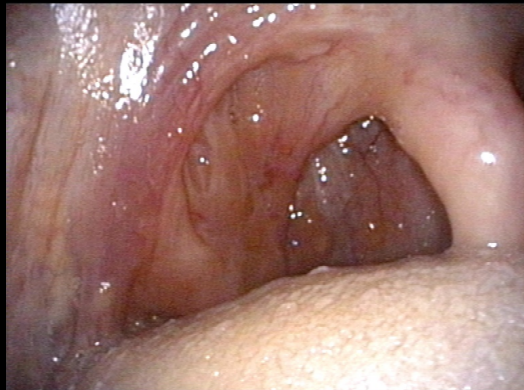
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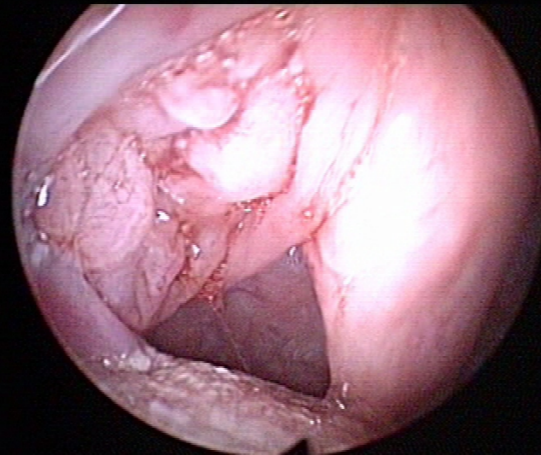
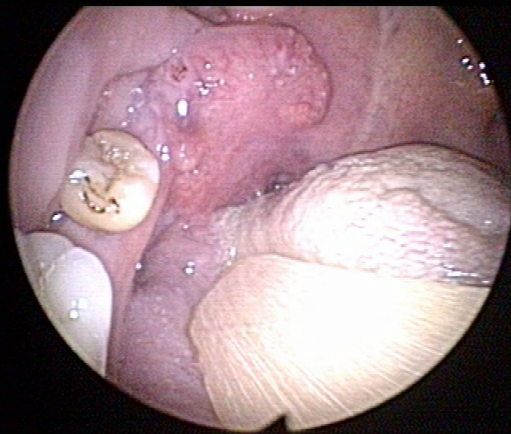
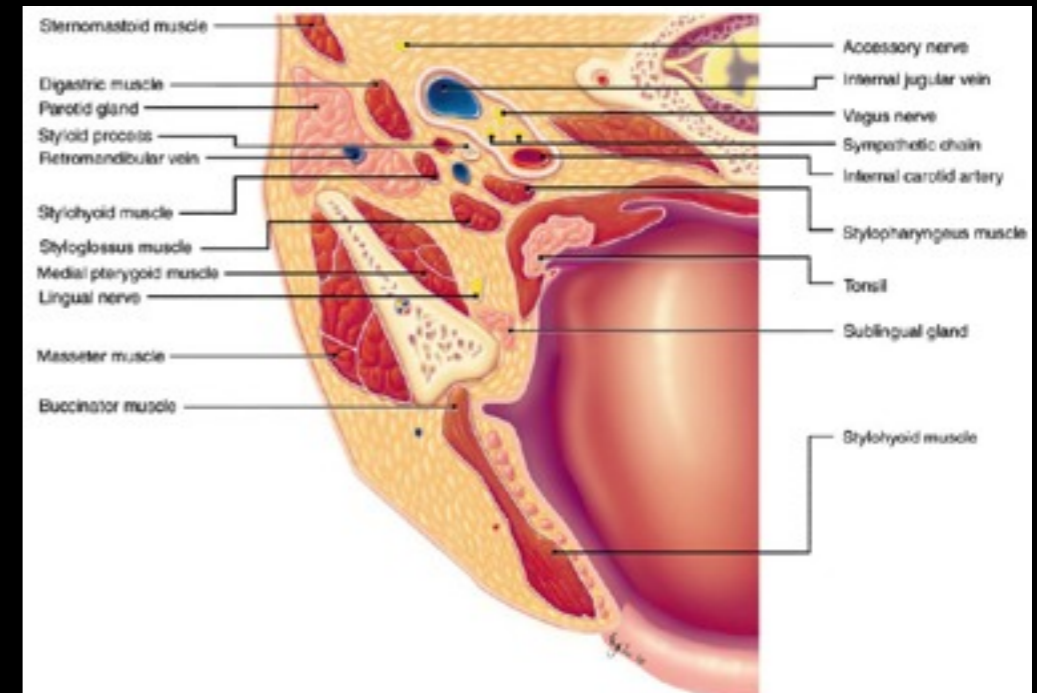
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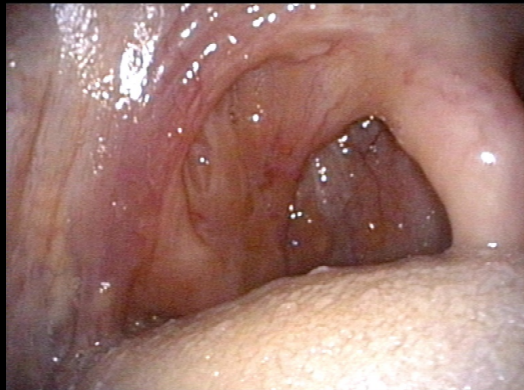


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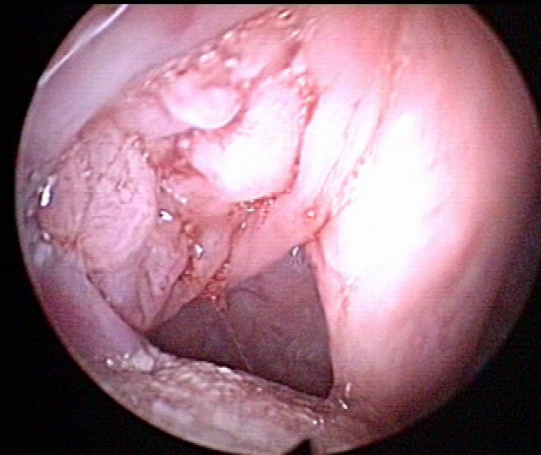
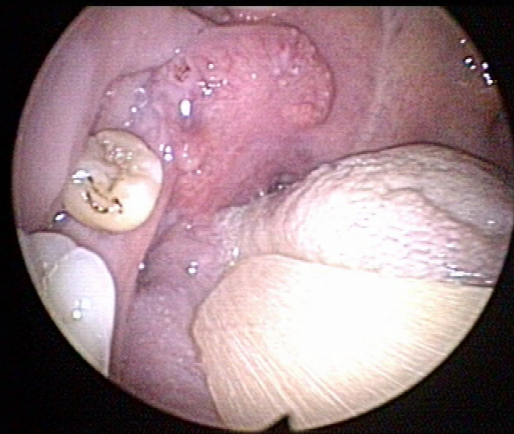
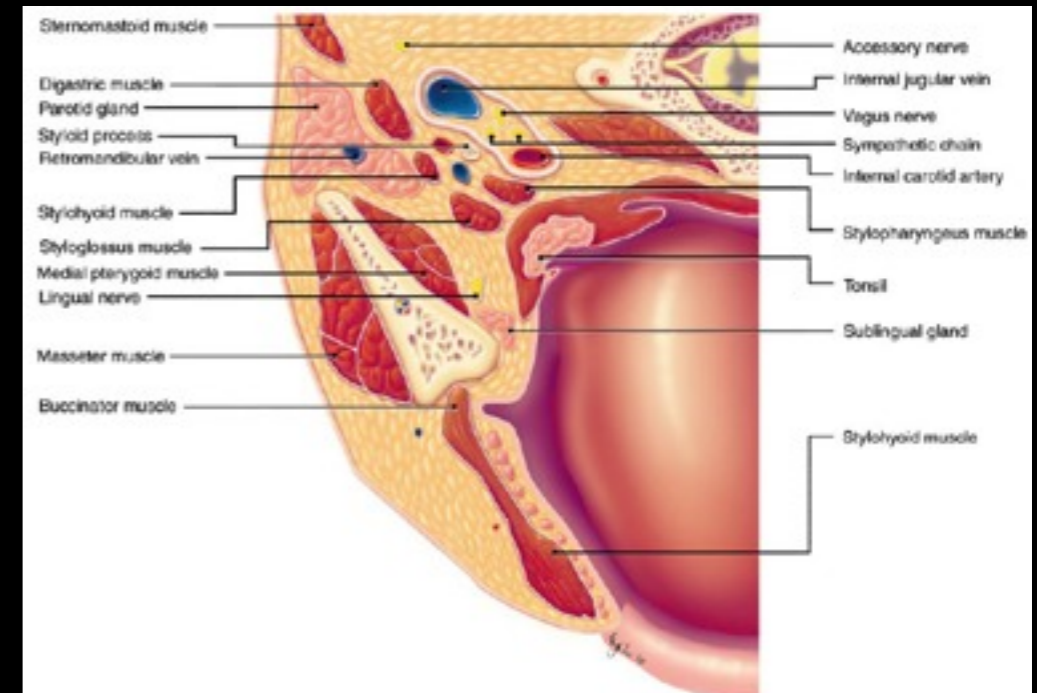
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KEY POINTS:

- extension to the middle constrictor muscle and parapharyngeal space
- extension to the soft palate
- extension to nasopharynx
- extension to the amigdalo-glosso sulcus and oral tongue
- pterygoid muscles and mandible infiltration
- site of the internal carotid artery
- N status

DIAGNOSIS OF HPV-RELATED LESIONS

The mere detection of HPV-DNA is not sufficient to establish causality in HNCs!!!

Castellsagué et al, J Natl Cancer Inst (2016)



Nowadays no standard test...

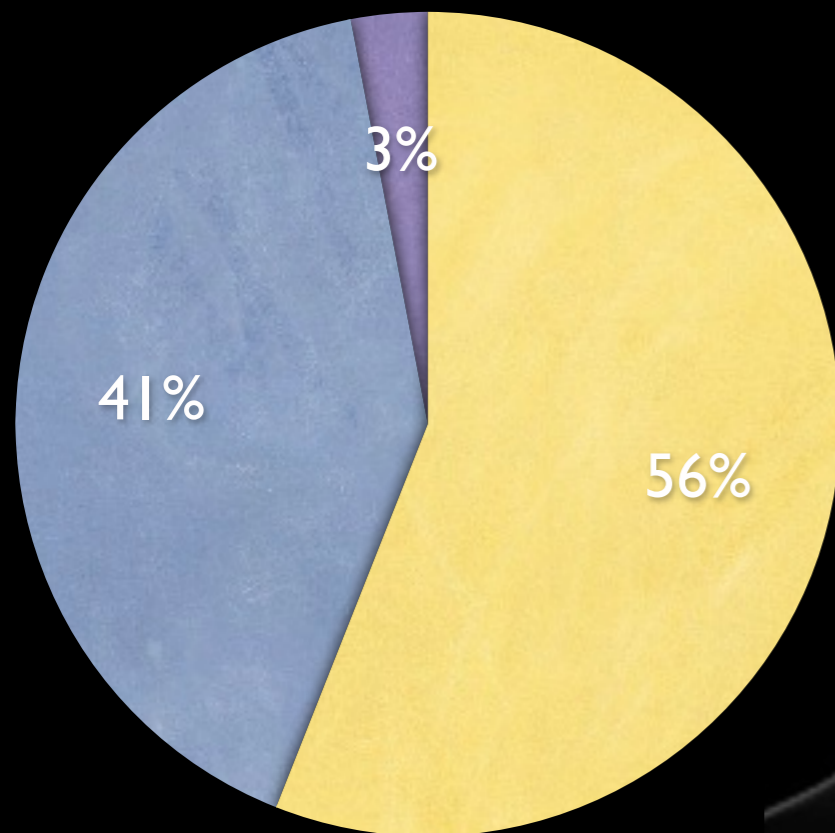
| IHC/ISH/PCR | PROS | CONS |
|---|---|--|
| p16 ^{INK4a} immunohistochemistry | routinely used as a cost-effective surrogate marker | p16 overexpression may occur independently of HPV |
| DNA in situ hybridization (ISH) | high specificity for detecting active viruses | less sensitive when there are low viral copy numbers |
| RNAscope (ISH) | 97% sensitivity and relatively inexpensive | |
| HPV-DNA PCR | experimental settings because of high sensitivity | it does not identify whether the virus is transcriptionally active |
| E6/E7 HPV-mRNA PCR | the gold standard | high costs |

Buckley et al, Aust NZ J Surg (2015)

LARYNX

EPIDEMIOLOGY

- Glottis
- Supraglottis
- Subglottis



Data from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York

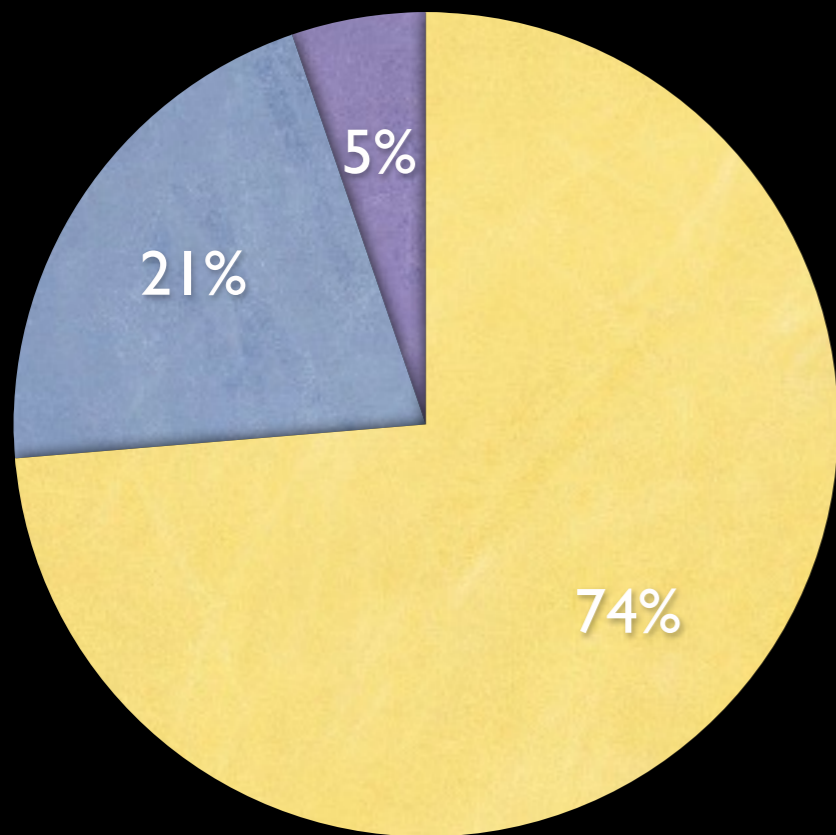
- Second most common malignancy of the UADT
- Over 11,000 case/yr in US (2007) with 3,660 deaths
- M:F=3.8:1
- 90% of pts are older than 40 yrs
- 85%-95% squamous cell carcinoma
- Tobacco and alcohol are the two most important risk factors

Data from Cummings, Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery, 5th Ed.

HYPOPHARYNX

EPIDEMIOLOGY

- Piriform Sinus
- Posterior pharyngeal wall
- Post-cricoid region



- Incidence 9.4% 100.000 ab in France, 1% 100.000 ab USA
- M:F=2:1
- 95% squamous cell carcinoma
- Tobacco and alcohol are the 2 most important risk factors
- Plummer-Vinson syndrome
- > 80% stage III-IV

Data from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York

Conventional SCC (G1, G2, G3)

SCC variants (spindle cell, adenosquamous, basaloid, verrucous, papillary, acantholytic)

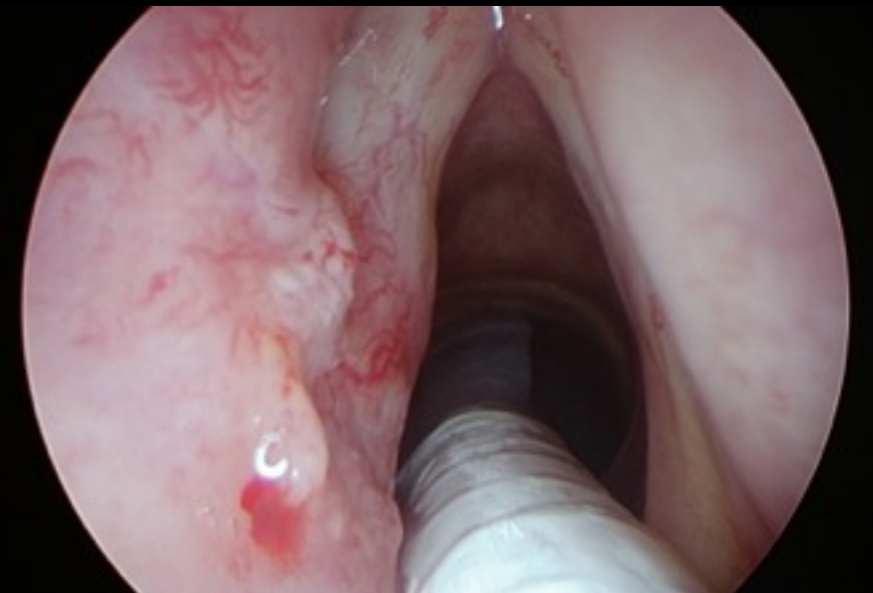
Malignant melanoma

Glandular carcinomas: adenocarcinoma, mucoepidermoid, adenoid cystic, acinic cell

Soft tissues sarcomas (chondrosarcoma!)

Lymphoproliferative disorders

Secondary tumors (kidney, lung)



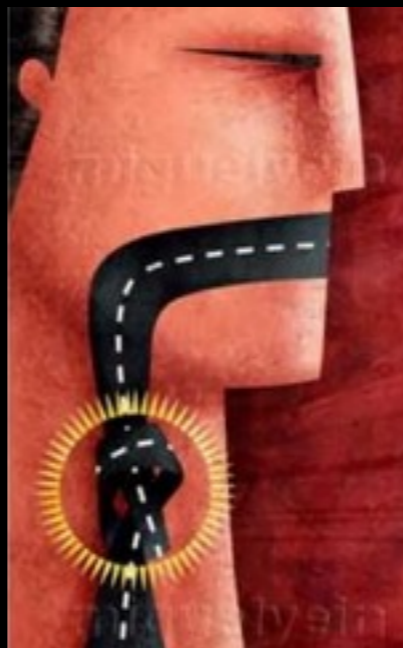
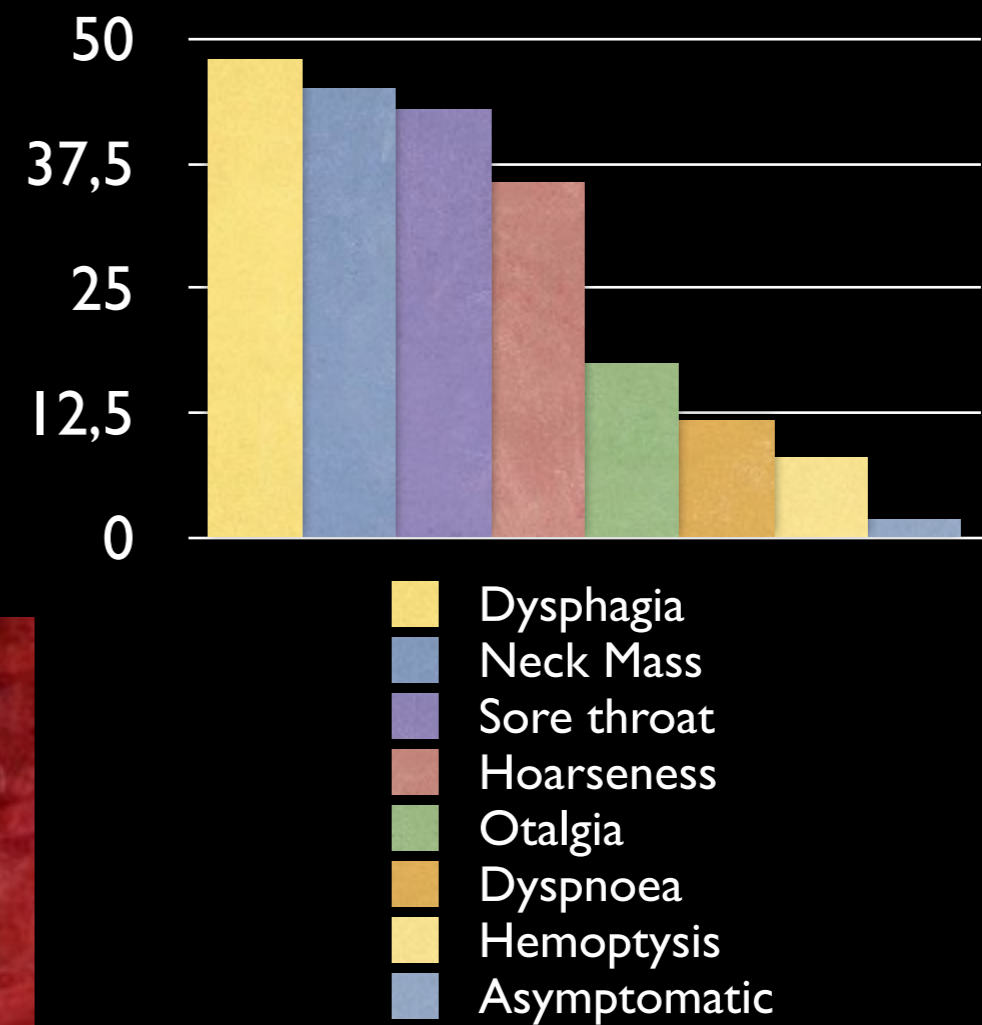
CLINICAL EVALUATION

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

Larynx

- Supraglottic cancer → mainly dysphagia and dyspnoea
- Glottic cancer → mainly dysphonia
- Subglottic cancer → mainly dyspnoea

Hypopharynx



Hoffman HT, et al. Hypopharyngeal cancer patient care evaluation. Laryngoscope 1997;107:1005-17

SPECIAL ISSUES WITH HYPOPHARYNGEAL CANCER

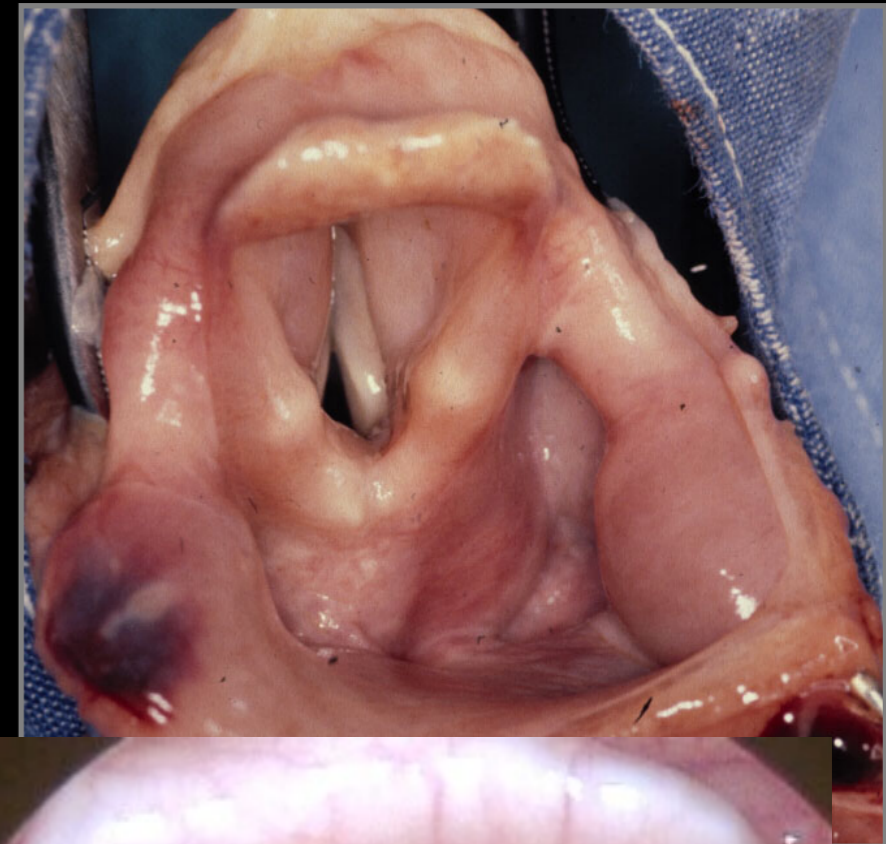
Submucosal spreading

Multifocality

Advanced stage at diagnosis

Distant metastasis

Synchronous and metachronous tumors



DIAGNOSTIC WORK UP

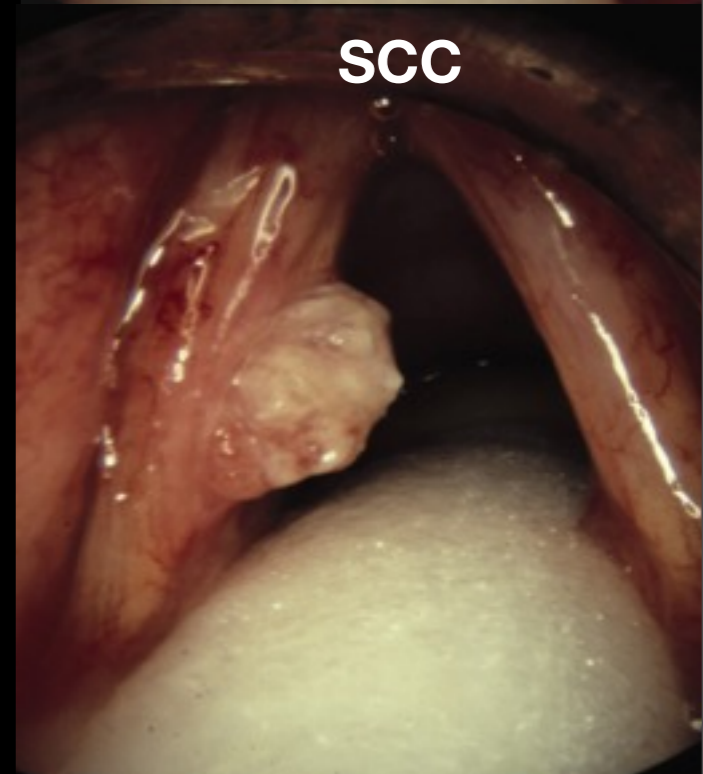
TARGETS

- Histology
- Superficial spreading
- Deep/Submucosal invasion
- Multifocality
- Synchronous lesions

KERATOSIS

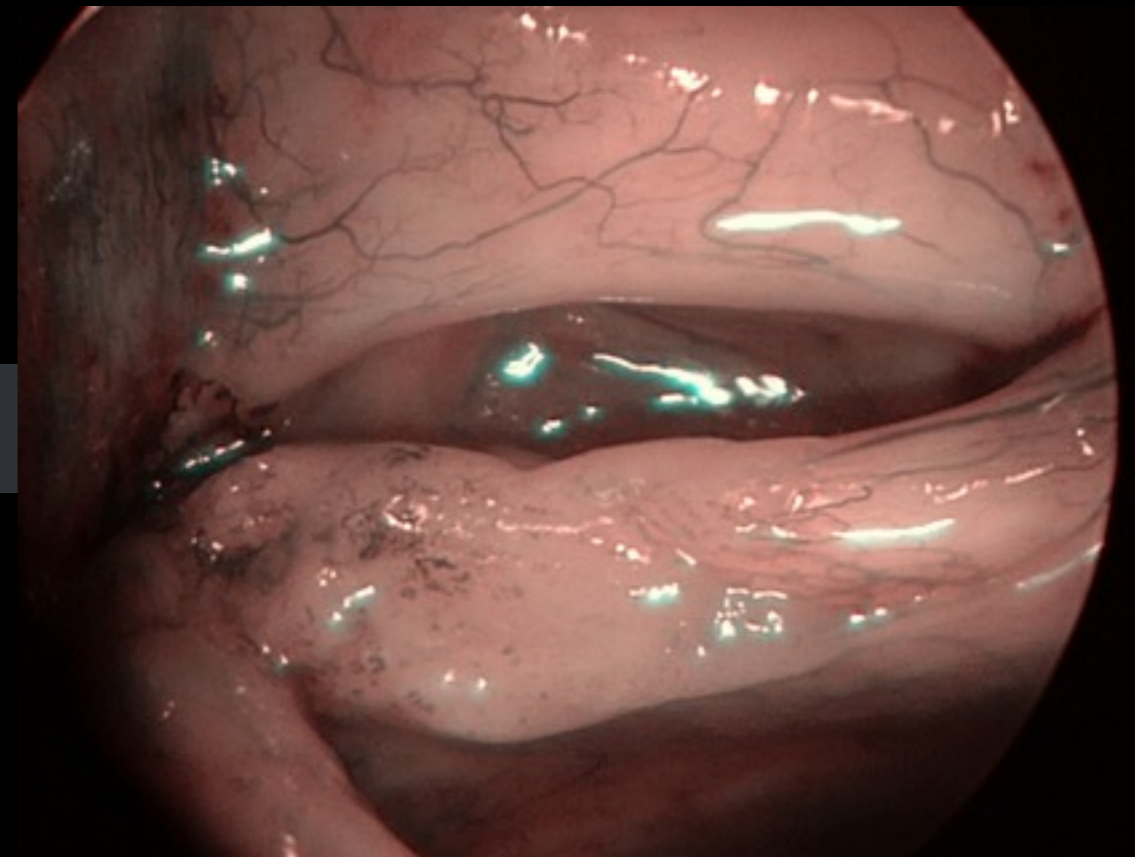


SCC



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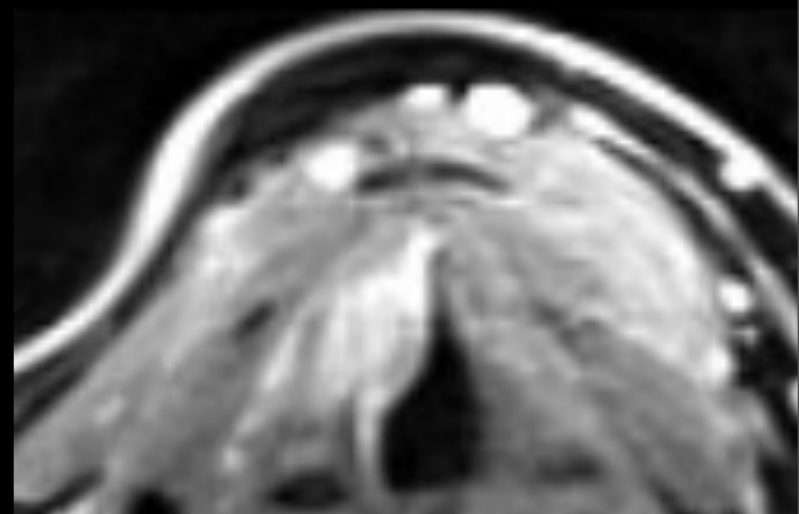
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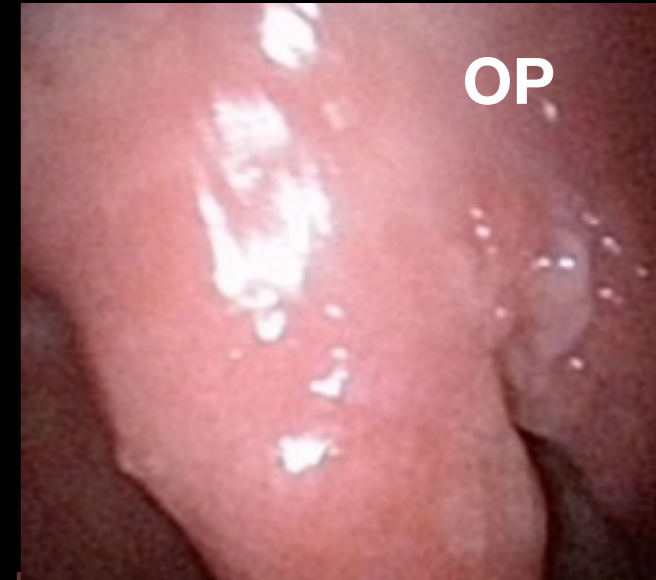
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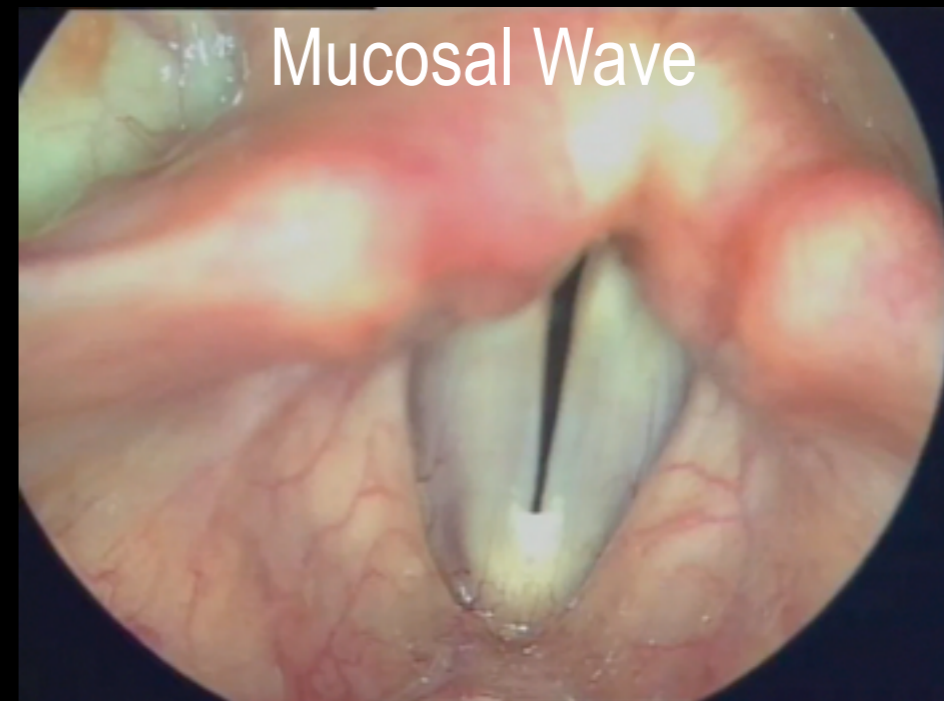


PREOPERATIVE EVALUATION

- ① Flexible Panendoscopy
- ① Videolaryngostroboscopy
- ① Narrow Band Imaging
- ① Imaging

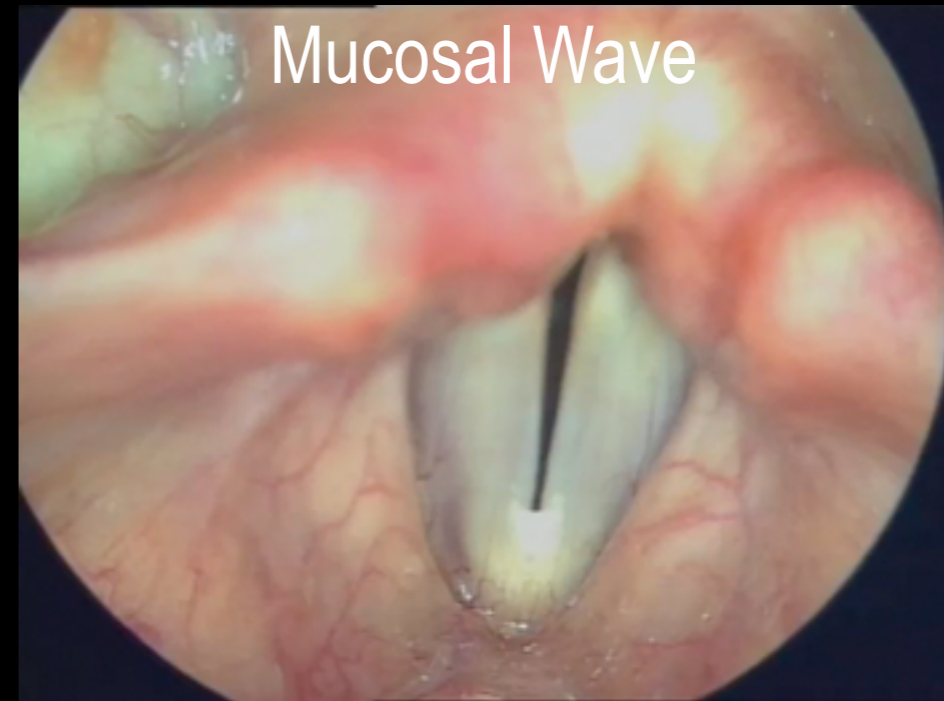
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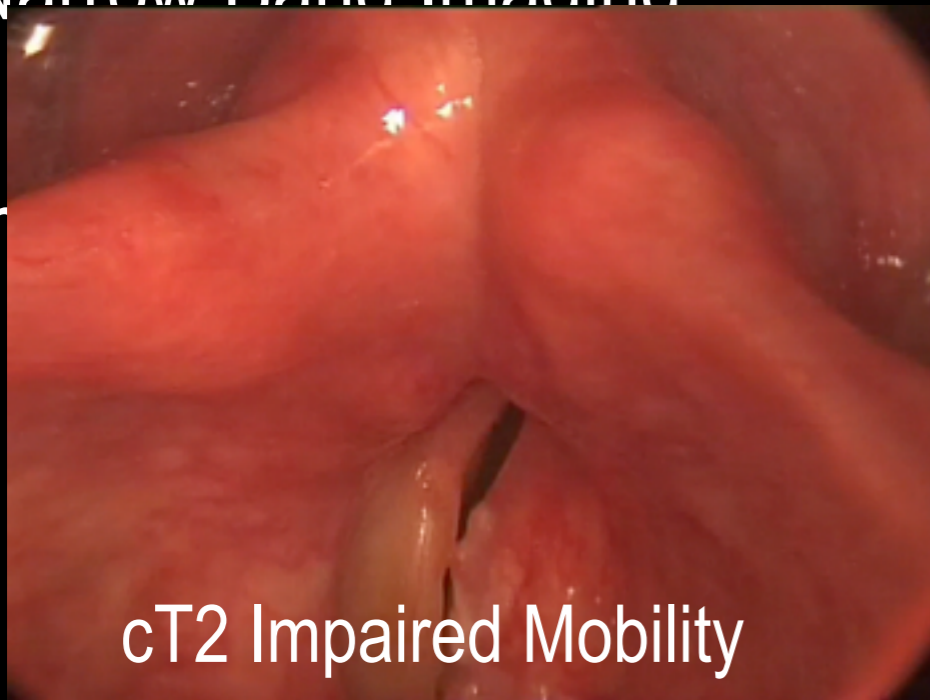
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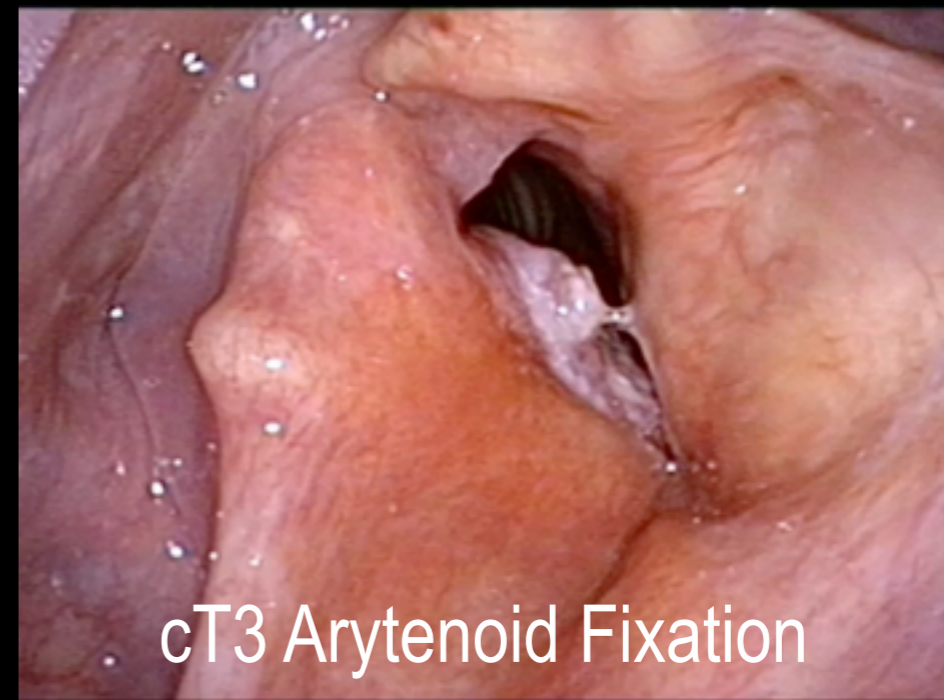
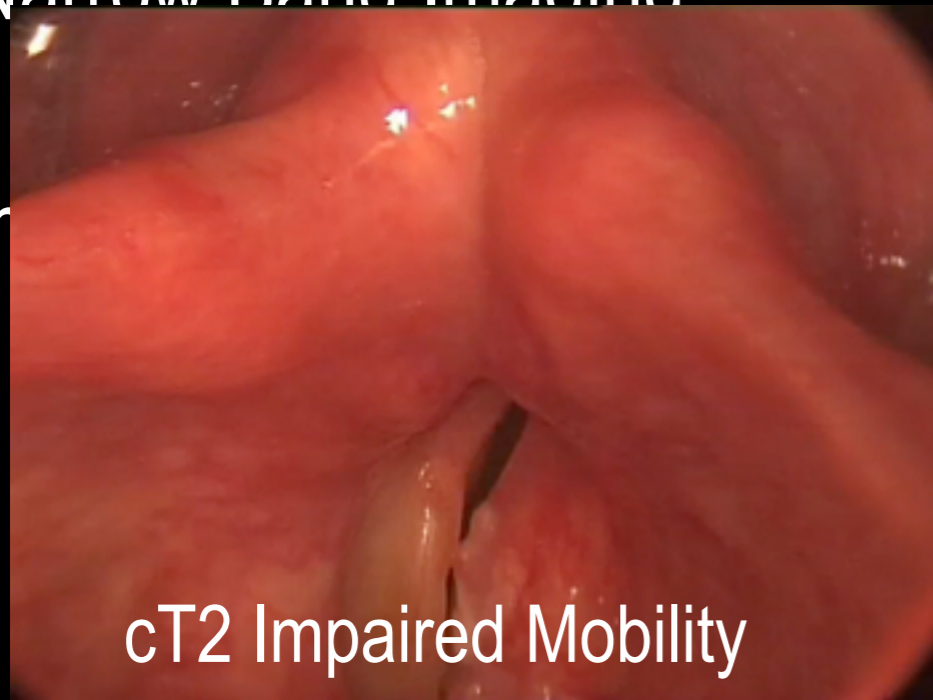
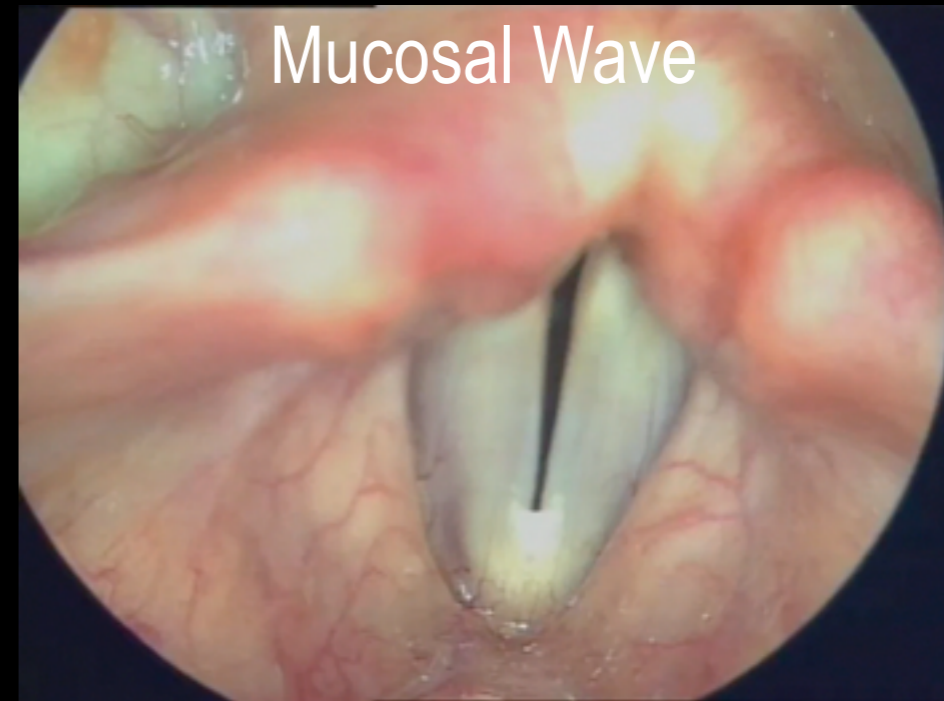


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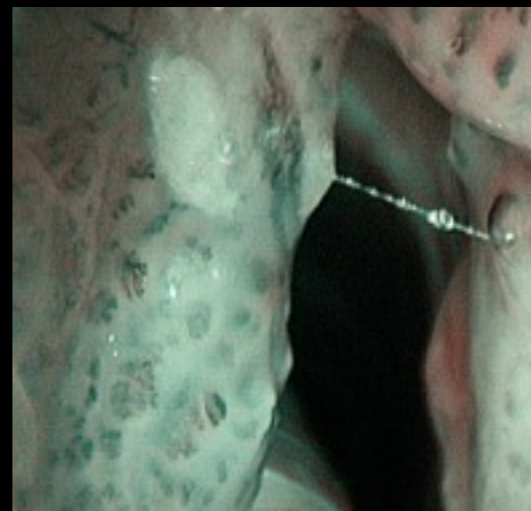
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👁️ Narrow Band Imaging



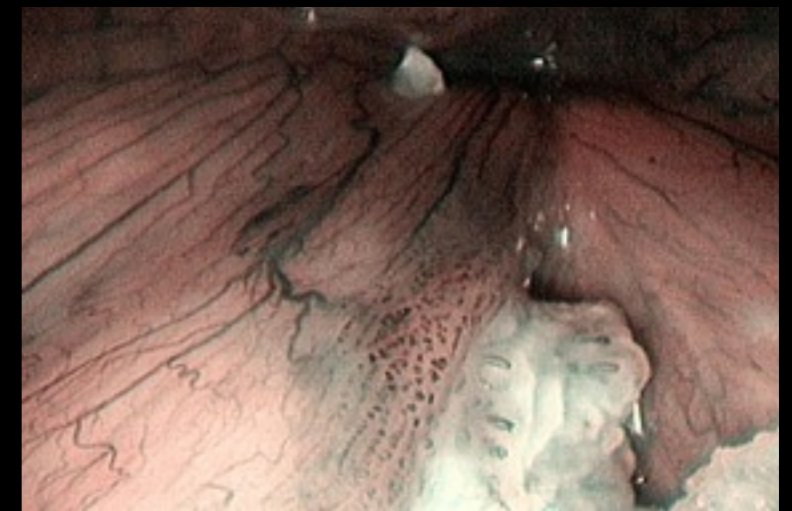
Type I

well-demarcated brownish area with thick dark spots



Type II

undemarcated area with scattered irregular and winding vessels



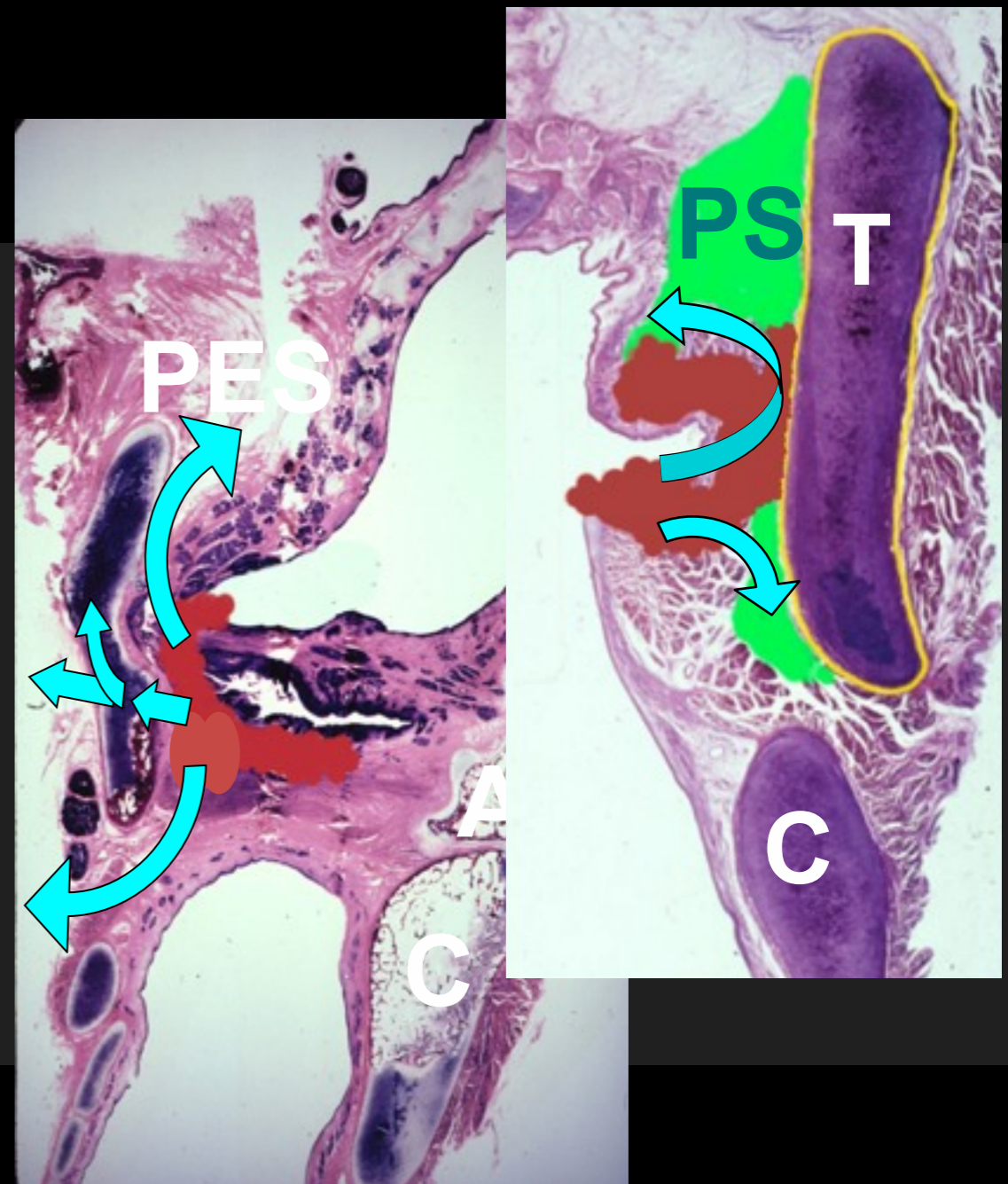
Type III

afferent hypertrophic vessel branching out in small vascular loops in the context of the lesion

PREOPERATIVE EVALUATION

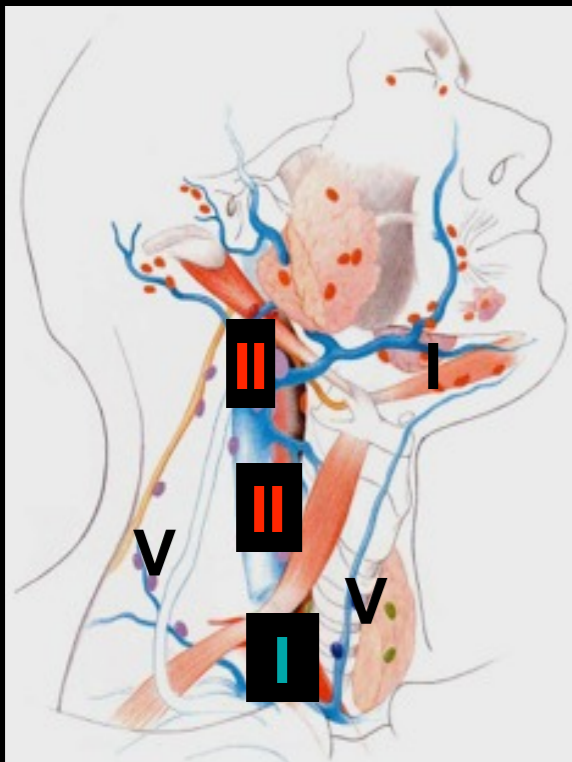
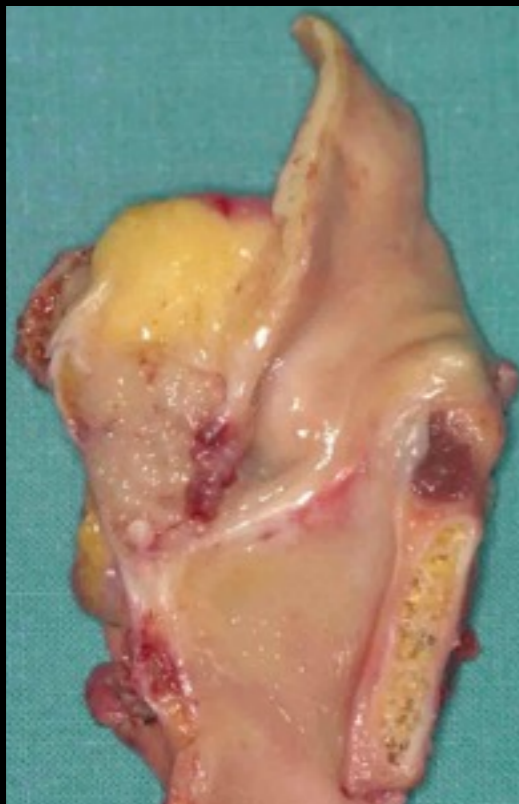
Imaging

- Laryngeal framework
- Paraglottic and preepiglottic space
- Submucosal spread
- Soft tissues
- N status



PREOPERATIVE EVALUATION

NECK PALPATION AND US



Supraglottis



Glottis

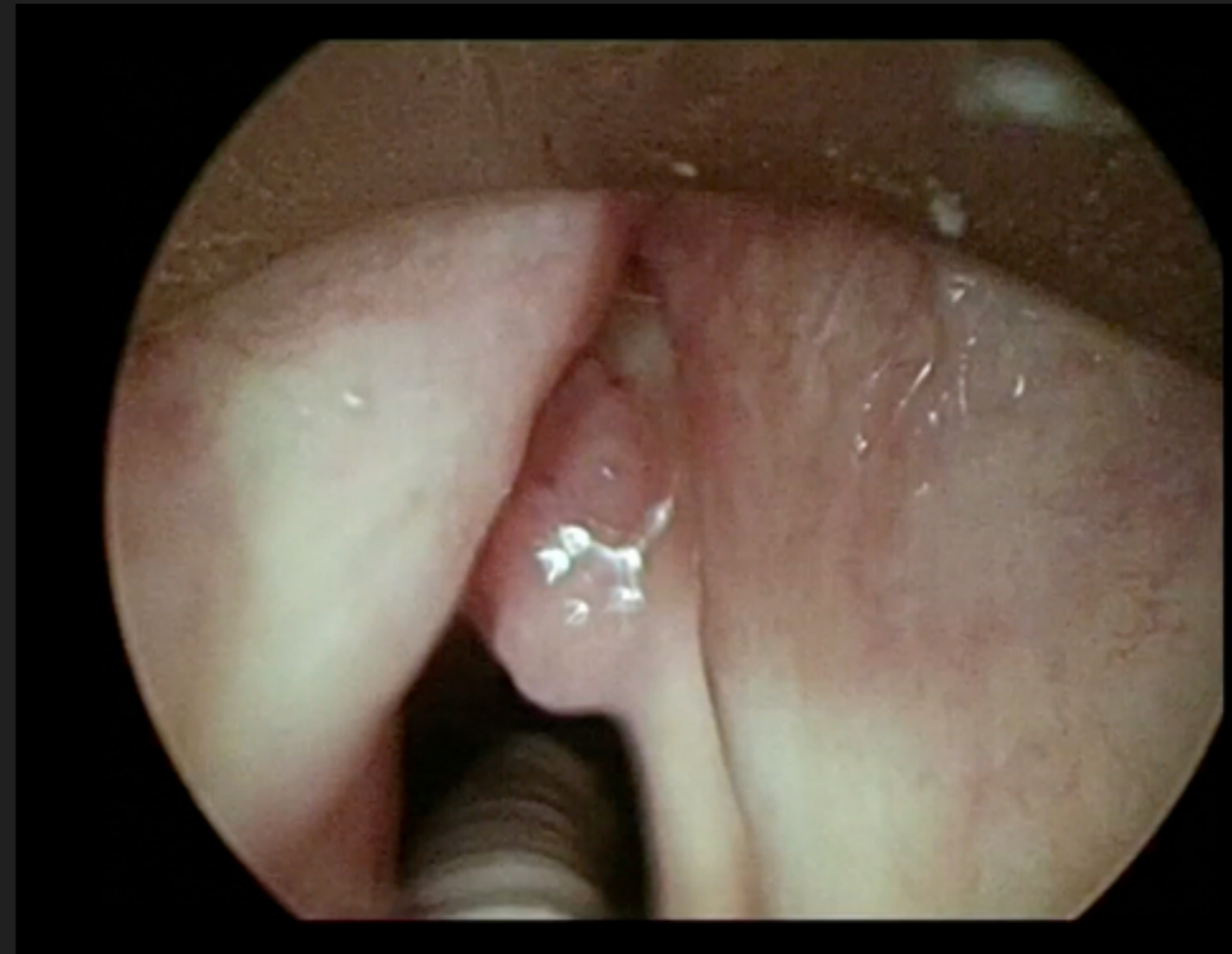


Hypopharynx

PRETREATMENT EVALUATION

PRETREATMENT EVALUATION

- Microlaryngoscopy with 0° and angled telescopes
- Narrow Band Imaging with HDTV
- Saline infusion into Reinke's space



STAGING

GLOTTIS

- T1** Tumor limited to the vocal cord(s) (may involve anterior or posterior commissure) with normal mobility
T1a: tumor limited to one vocal cord
T1b: tumor involves both vocal cords
- T2** Tumor extends to supraglottis and/or subglottis, and/or with impaired vocal cord mobility
- T3** Tumor limited to the larynx with vocal cord fixation, and/or invades paraglottic space, and/or minor thyroid cartilage erosion (eg, inner cortex)
- T4** **T4a:** tumor invades the thyroid cartilage and/or tissues beyond the larynx (eg, trachea, soft tissues of the neck including deep extrinsic muscles of the tongue, strap muscles, thyroid gland, or esophagus)
T4b: tumor invades the prevertebral space, encases the carotid artery, or invades mediastinal structures

STAGING

SUPRAGLOTTIS

T1 Tumor limited to one subsite of the supraglottis with normal vocal cord mobility

T2 Tumor invades mucosa of more than one adjacent subsite of the supraglottis or glottis region outside the supraglottis (eg, mucosa of base of the tongue, vallecula, medial wall of the piriform sinus) without fixation of the larynx

T3 Tumor limited to the larynx with vocal cord fixation and/or invading any of the following: postcricoid area, pre-epiglottic tissues, paraglottic space, and/or with minor thyroid cartilage erosion

T4 **T4a:** tumor invades the thyroid cartilage and/or tissues beyond the larynx (eg, trachea, soft tissues of the neck including deep extrinsic muscles of the tongue, strap muscles, thyroid gland, or esophagus)

T4b: tumor invades the prevertebral space, encases the carotid artery, or invades mediastinal structures

STAGING

SUBGLOTTIS

T1

Tumor limited to the subglottis

T2

Tumor extends to vocal cord(s) with normal or impaired mobility

T3

Tumor limited to the larynx with vocal cord fixation

T4

T4a: tumor invades the cricoid or thyroid cartilage and/or tissues beyond the larynx (eg, trachea, soft tissues of the neck including deep extrinsic muscles of the tongue, strap muscles, thyroid gland, or esophagus)

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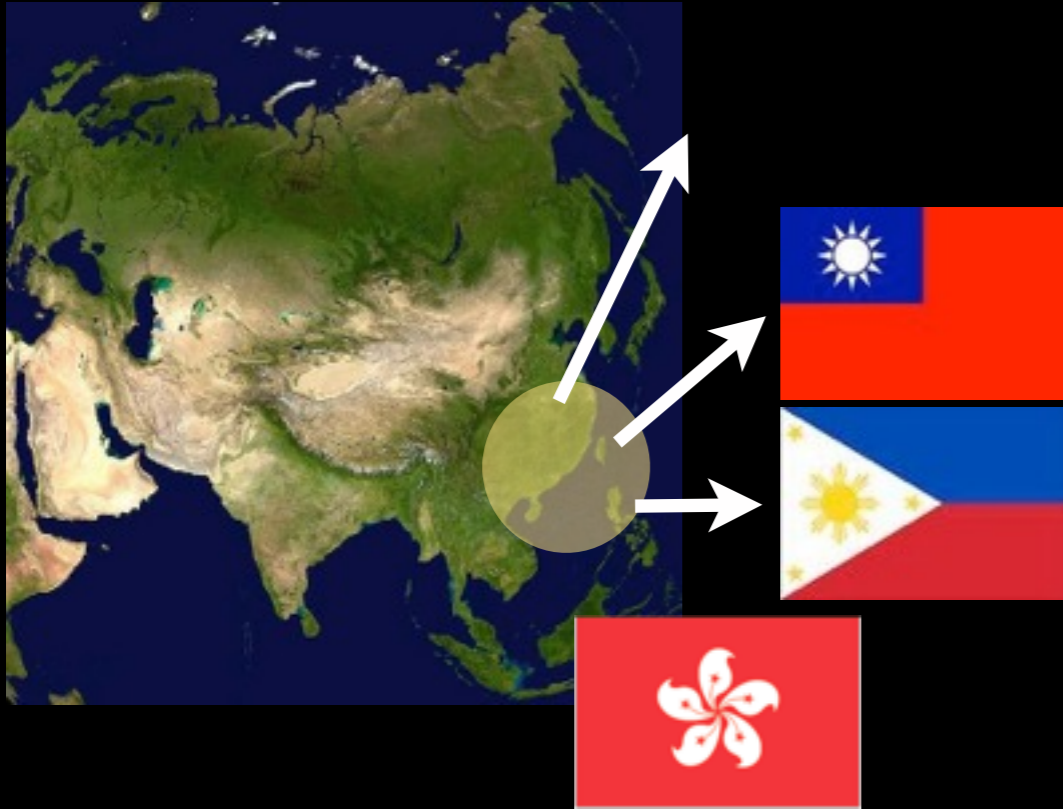
STAGING

HYPOPHARYNX

- T1** Tumor limited to one subsite of the hypopharynx and/or less than 2 cm in its greatest dimension
- T2** Tumor invades more than one subsite of the hypopharynx or an adjacent site, or measures more than 2 cm but less than 4 cm in its greatest diameter without fixation of the hemilarynx
- T3** Tumor more than 4 cm in its greatest dimension with fixation of the hemilarynx
- T4**
T4a: Tumor invades thyroid/cricoid cartilage, hyoid bone, thyroid gland, esophagus or central compartment soft tissue (prelaryngeal strap muscles and subcutaneous fat)
T4b: Tumor invades prevertebral fascia, encases the carotid artery or involves mediastinal structures

NASOPHARYNX

EPIDEMIOLOGY



Annual incidence in USA and Europe: $<1/100,000$
(*Nonkeratinizing differentiated carcinoma*)

Annual incidence in China (Guangzhou):
30/100,000 (*Nonkeratinizing undifferentiated carcinoma*)

M:F=2-3:1

Age:

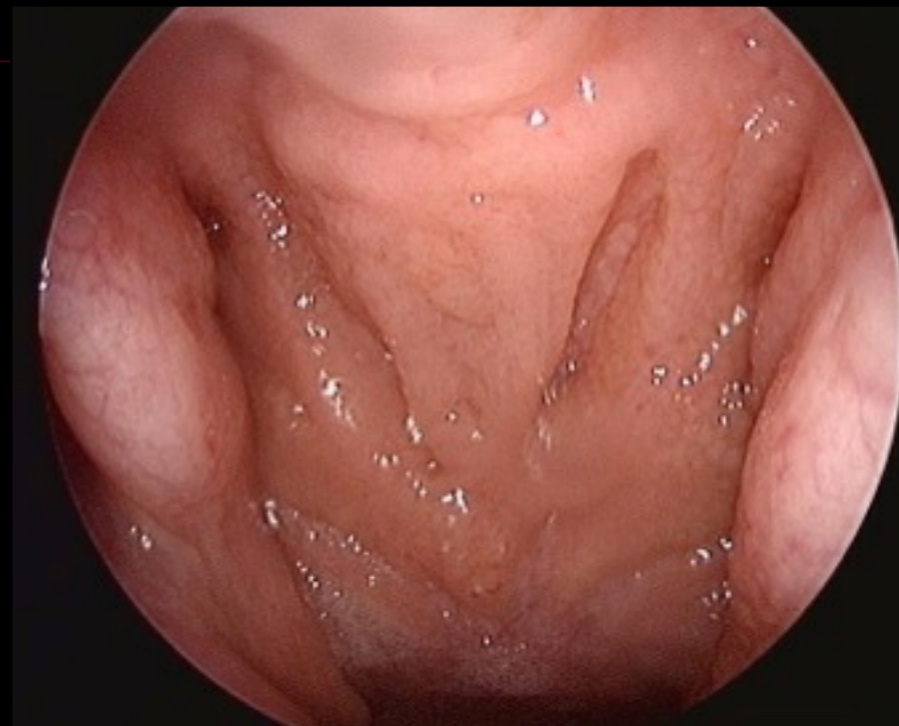
- China and South-East Asia: 5th-6th decade
- North Africa: 2nd (20%) and 6th decade



WHO CLASSIFICATION 2005

Nasopharyngeal carcinoma

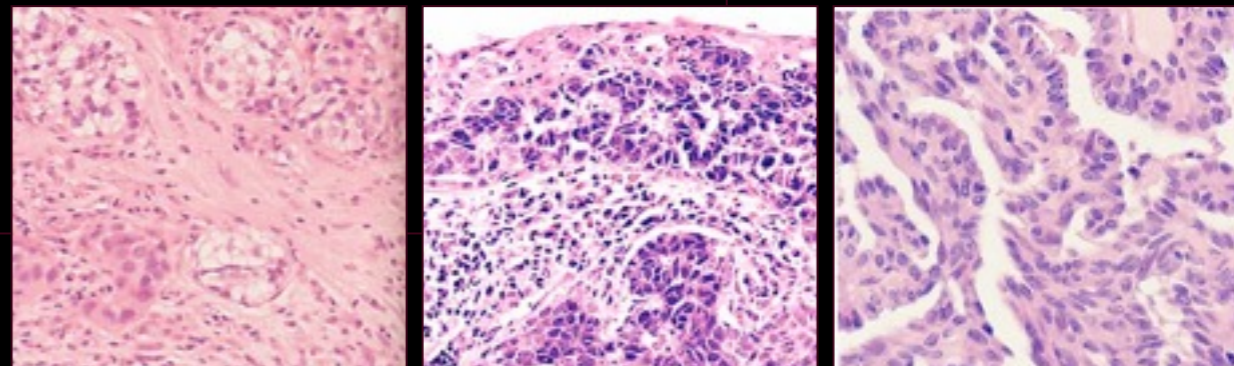
- *Nonkeratinizing carcinoma*
- *Keratinizing squamous cell carcinoma*
- *Basaloid squamous cell carcinoma*



Nasopharyngeal papillary adenocarcinoma

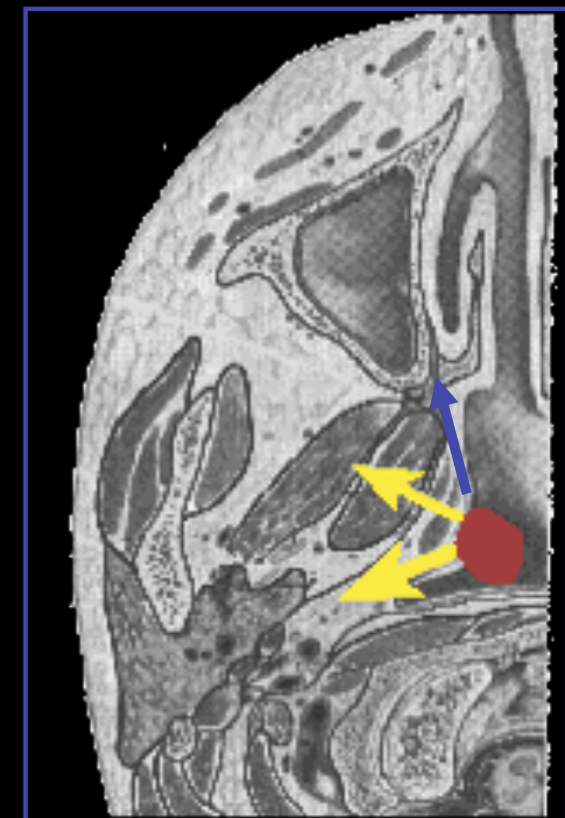
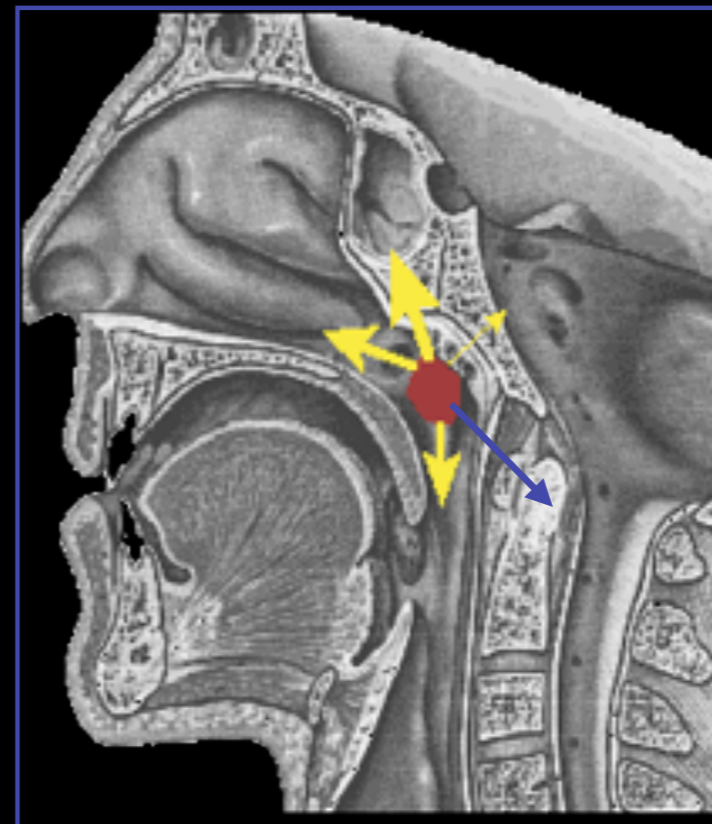
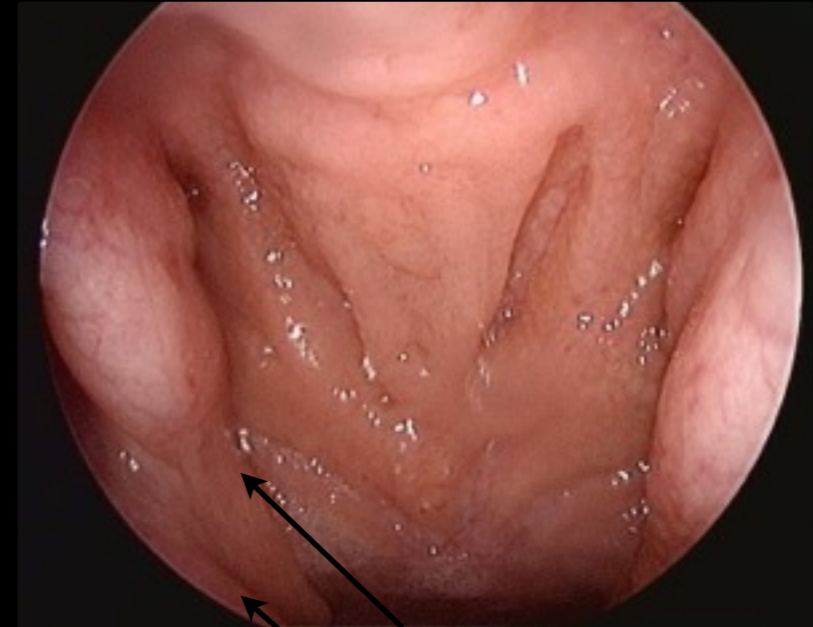
Salivary gland-type carcinomas

- *Adenoid cystic carcinoma*
- *Mucoepidermoid carcinoma*



PATTERN OF SPREADING

- Eustachian tube
- Nasal cavity
- Parapharyngeal space
- Paranasal sinuses
- Oropharynx
- Pterygo-palatine/Infratemporal fossa
- Skull base
- Cavernous sinus
- Cranial cavity
- Cervical spine

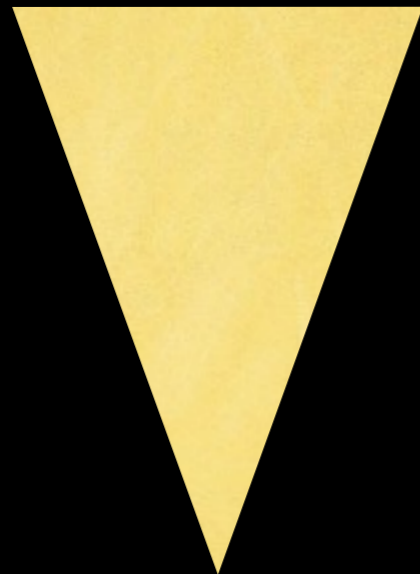


CLINICAL EVALUATION

NECK LUMP

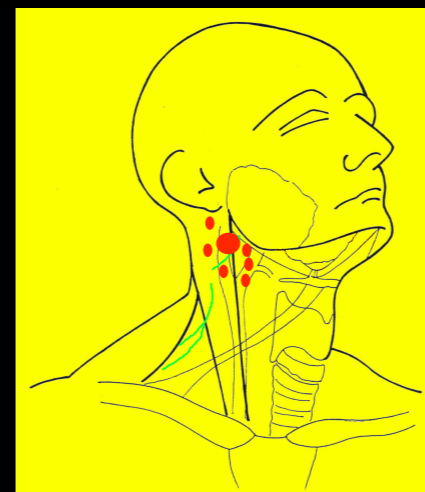
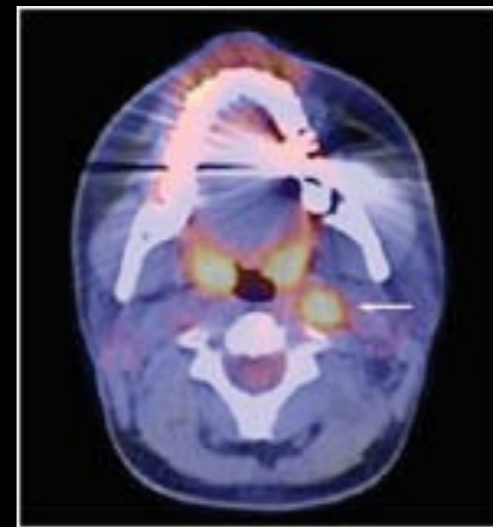
At diagnosis: 60.3 - 75.8%

Retropharyngeal nodes



Ila-IIb

V
III
IV
I



CLINICAL EVALUATION

NASAL SYMPTOMS

At diagnosis: 40.3 - 73.4%

Epistaxis

Nasal obstruction

Mucopurulent discharge

Olfaction impairment

OTOLOGIC SYMPTOMS

At diagnosis: 43.9 - 62.4%

Otitis media

Hearing loss

Fullness

Tinnitus



Always look at the nasopharynx
in case of recurrent otitis media

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NEUROLOGIC SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

At diagnosis: 9.4 - 20%

III, IV, and VI CN (cavernous sinus or superior orbital fissure):
ophthalmoplegia

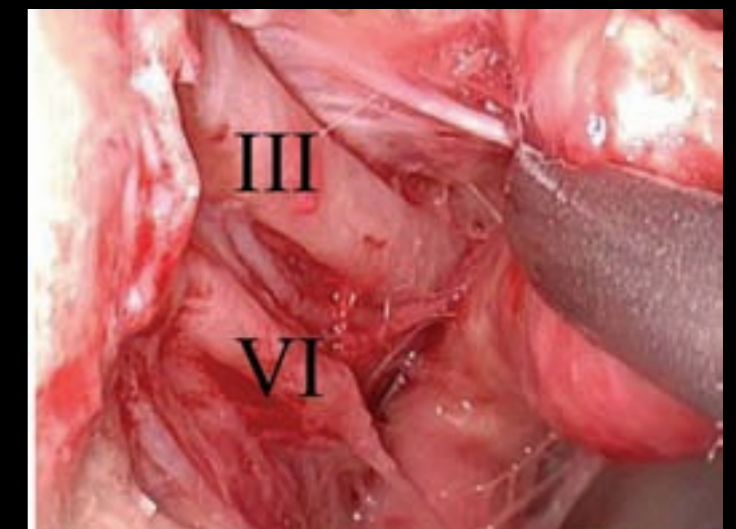
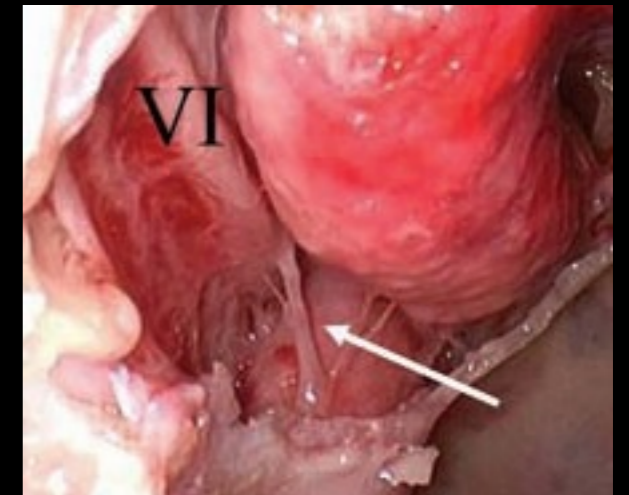
V CN: facial pain

Greater petrosal superficial nerve: xerophthalmia

IX, X, and XI CN: different jugular foramen syndromes

XII CN: hemitongue palsy, atrophy, and deviation

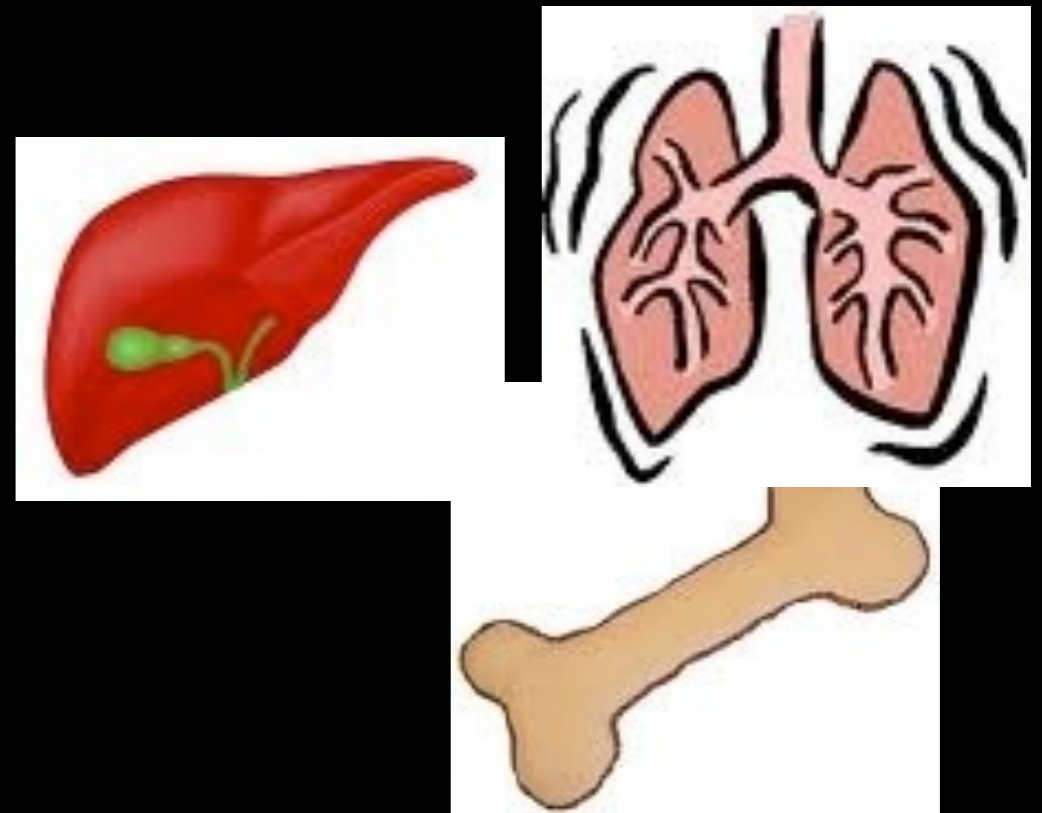
Sympathetic cervical trunk: Claude-Bernard-Horner syndrome



NEUROLOGIC SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

Distant metastasis at the diagnosis: <3%

Lung
Liver
Bone



Paraneoplastic syndromes:

- Dermatologic (Dermatomyositis, cutaneous vasculitis)
- Endocrinologic (SIADH, Cushing)
- Hematologic (Fever $>38^{\circ}$, leukemic reaction)
- Rheumatologic (Hypertrophic osteoarthopathy)
- Neurologic (Guillain-Barré syndrome)
- Ocular (Retinopathy)

DIAGNOSTIC WORK UP

Rigid or flexible endoscopy (in about 10% of NPC the lesion is submucosal)

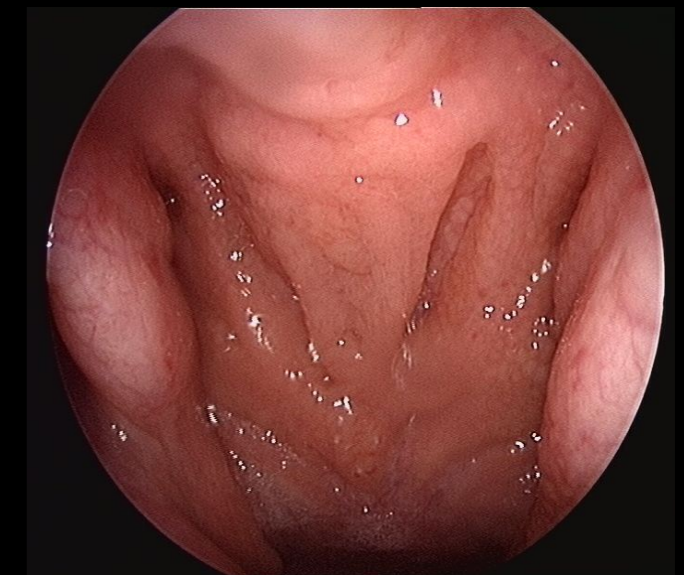


Imaging (MRI/CT and neck US)



Biopsy (endoscopy guided)

EBV serology (IgA VCA and IgA EA)



PET-CT

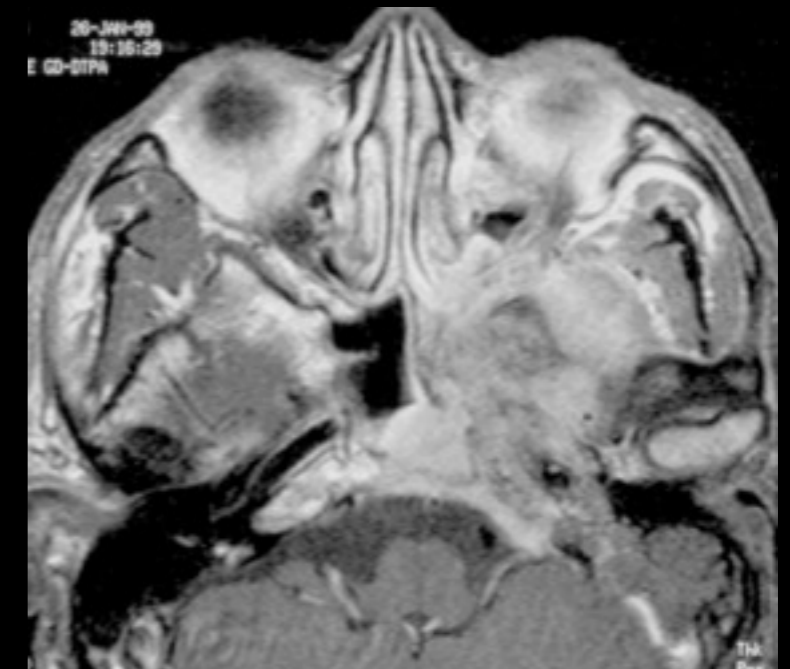
DIAGNOSTIC WORK UP

Endoscopic evaluation



Normal tissue
Fibrous tissue
Inflammation
Necrotic tissue

MRI

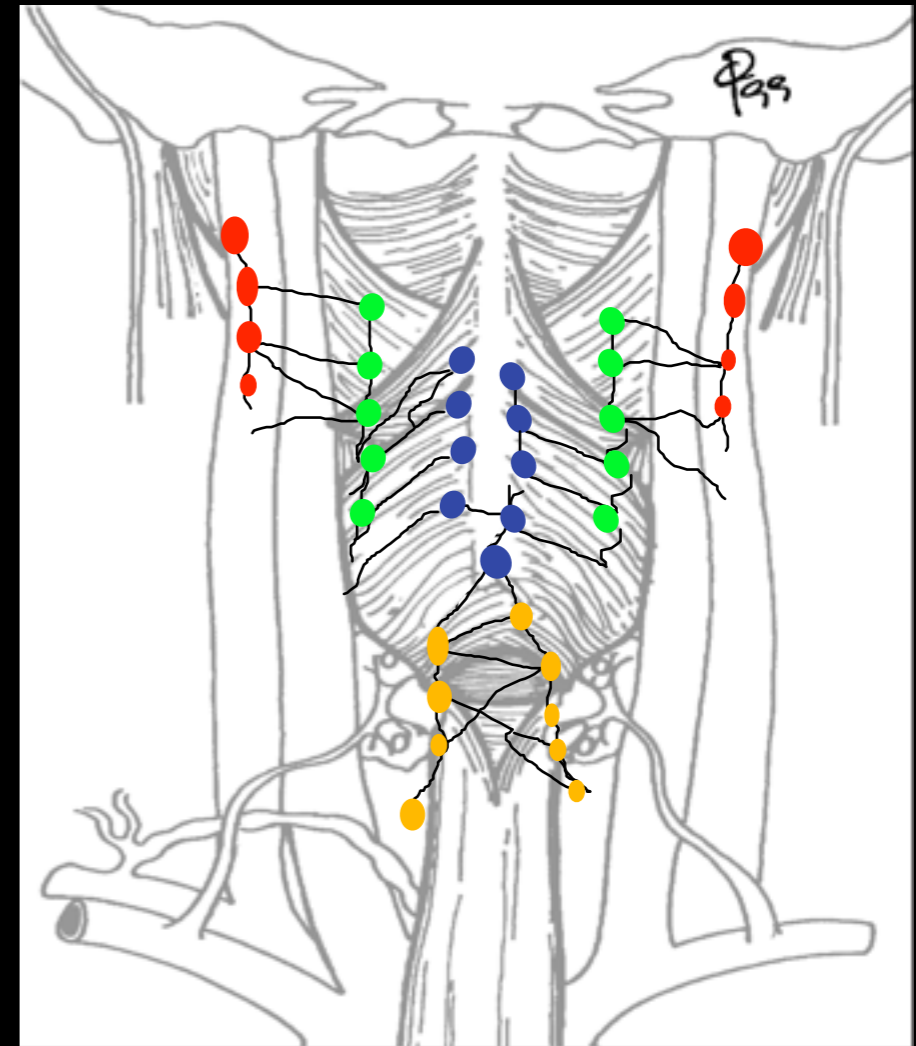


DIAGNOSTIC WORK UP

Palpation and US



CT and/or MRI



DIAGNOSTIC WORK UP



Review

^{18}F FDG-PET/CT for detecting distant metastases and second primary cancers in patients with head and neck cancer. A meta-analysis

Guo-Zeng Xu^{a,b,1}, De-Juan Guan^{b,1}, Zhi-Yi He^{c,b,*}

^{18}F FDG-PET/CT had higher accuracy than conventional imaging work-up. The pooled sensitivity and specificity with 95% confidence interval for ^{18}F FDG-PET/CT were 0.881 (0.792–0.941) and 0.971 (0.953–0.984), respectively, indicating that ^{18}F FDG-PET/CT had a very high accuracy for distant metastases staging of nasopharyngeal cancer.

In this meta-analysis the obtained values indicate that ^{18}F FDG-PET/CT had a very high accuracy also for follow-up after treatment. It may be used as a first-choice imaging technique for detection of distant failure and second primary cancers after treatment in clinical practice

The results of a recent meta-analysis (Zhou et al 2016, J Nucl Med 57:342-7) confirmed the high sensibility and sensitivity of ^{18}F FDG-PET/CT in the diagnosis of residual/recurrent nasopharyngeal carcinoma

STAGING

T1 Tumor confined to nasopharynx, or extends to oropharynx and/or nasal cavity

T2 Tumor with parapharyngeal extension

T3 Tumor invades bony structures of skull base and/or paranasal sinuses

T4 Tumor with intracranial extension and/or involvement of cranial nerves, hypopharynx, orbit, or/with extension to the infratemporal fossa/masticator space

N0 No regional lymph node metastasis

N1 Unilateral metastasis, in cervical lymph node(s), and/or unilateral or bilateral metastasis in retropharyngeal lymph nodes, 6 cm or less in greatest dimension, above the supraclavicular fossa

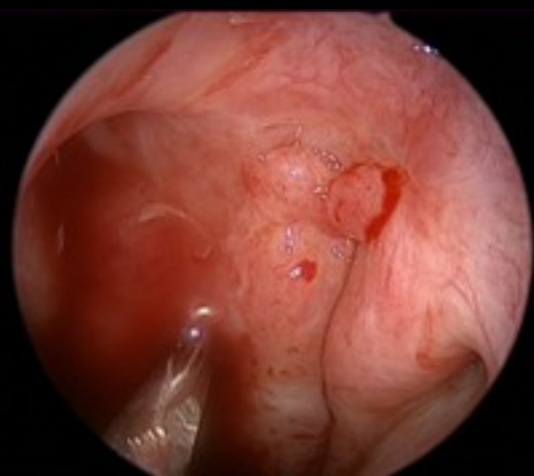
N2 Bilateral metastasis in cervical lymph node(s), 6 cm or less in greatest dimension, above the supraclavicular fossa

N3 Metastasis in cervical lymph node(s) greater than 6 cm in dimension (a) or in the supraclavicular fossa (b)

NASOPHARYNX

EARLY DIAGNOSIS?

- Initial non-specific symptoms, common in other diseases:
 - ✓ inflammatory diseases
 - ✓ benign neoplastic lesions
- Endoscopy: can be negative (submucosal pattern of growth)



CONCLUSIONS



CORRECT DIAGNOSIS AND STAGING ARE THE KEY FOR A SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT

IN EARLY LESIONS, THE CONCEPT OF BIOLOGIC ENDOSCOPY AND EXCISIONAL BIOPSY IS GAINING WIDESPREAD ACCEPTANCE

IN ADVANCED LESIONS, IMAGING TECHNIQUES PLAY A PIVOTAL ROLE IN GUIDING TREATMENT SELECTION

IN SOME ANATOMIC AREAS, HISTOLOGIC DIAGNOSIS NEEDS TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH ANCILLARY STUDIES

Imaging work-up

CT, MR (PET etc.)

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Head and Neck Cancer Imaging

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Head and Neck cancer: Imaging?

- Imaging results in more accurate TNM-staging compared to clinical examination alone!
- Clinical examination and imaging are complementary modalities
 - Findings should be discussed in multidisciplinary setting

Multidisciplinary H&N Oncology meeting

- UMCU: every Wednesday 13.30-16.00
 - All new patients
 - All known patients with new event



Objectives

Imaging techniques for evaluation H&N ca.

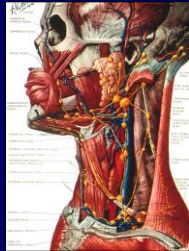
- Ultrasound
- Panoramic dental X-ray
- CT
- MRI
- (FDG PET)

Ultrasound

- Indication:
 - Neck swelling / known H&N tumor
- Localisation
 - Relation with surrounding structures
- Characterisation
 - Cystic / solid / vascularity
- Cytologic / histologic material

Neck lymph nodes

- +/- 300 in H&N
- Differentiation
 - Normal
 - Abnormal
- Modalities
 - **US**, CT, MR

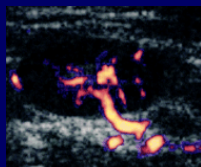
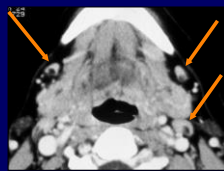
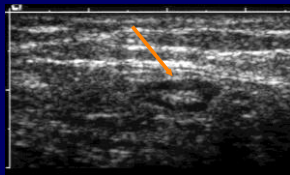


Normal lymph nodes: characteristics?

- Small
- Oval (kidney bean)
- Hilus: present
- Cortex: homogenous
- Vascularity: hilar



Normal



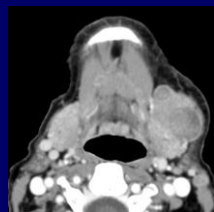
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Abnormal lymph nodes: characteristics?

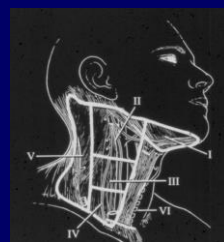
- Enlarged
- Round
- Hilus: absent
- Cortex: heterogenous
- Vascularity: peripheral



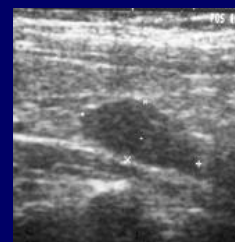
Abnormal



US: Neck lymph nodes



Localisation: level system



Characterisation: ?

Characterisation neck lymph nodes



Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology (FNAC)

Summary Ultrasound

- Superficial technique
 - Primary evaluation of neck swelling
 - H&N ca.: lymph node staging
- Disadvantages:
 - No evaluation of primary tumor
 - Operator dependent
- Advantages:
 - FNAC



Objectives

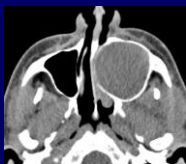
- Ultrasound
- **Panoramic dental X-ray**
- CT
- MRI

Daily practice: Panoramic X-ray

- Male, 28 years
- Swelling left upper jaw since > 1 year



CT



Soft tissue window



Bone window



Diagnosis??



Radiological diagnosis **Mucocele**

- Expanded (part of) paranasal sinus
 - Cystic lesion due to chronic obstruction of the ostium
- Expansion / remodelling of bone
- Slow development of complaints
- Needs surgical therapy

PA diagnose Odontogenic Myxoma

- WHO: benign mesenchymal tumor
 - Rare; locally invasive
 - From dental papillae / periodontal ligament
- Imaging
 - At 'Tooth bearing areas'
 - Mandible > maxilla
 - Displacement / resorption of dental elements



Odontogenic myxoma

- Male, 28 years
- Therapy: left hemi-maxillectomy



Pre-op

Post-op

Indications panoramic dental X-ray

- Dental status
 - Infection, retained (parts of) elements
- Planning of extractions pre-radiotherapy
- Planning of reconstruction post-surgery

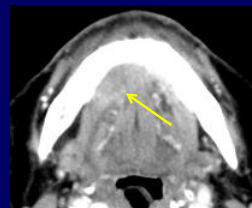
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- Ultrasound
- Panoramic dental X-ray
- **CT**
- MRI

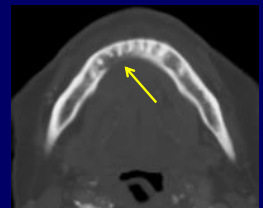
CT

- Advantages:
 - Quick, widely available, cheap
 - Superior bone detail
 - Preferred method for nodal staging
- Disadvantages:
 - Radiation exposure
 - Administration of iodine-containing agents
 - Inferior soft tissue contrast (vs MRI)
 - Dental filling metallic artifacts

Superior bone detail Floor of mouth ca.



Soft tissue window

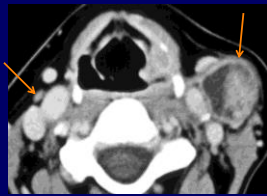


Bone window

Nodal staging

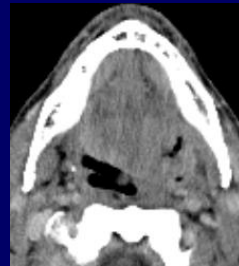


Hypopharyngeal ca.

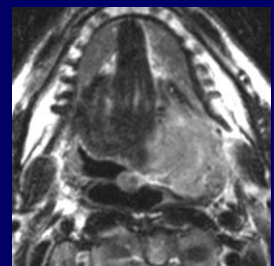


Supraglottic laryngeal ca.

Inferior soft tissue contrast (vs. MRI) Base of tongue ca.

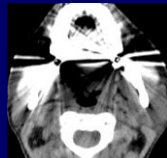


CT



MRI

CT: Dental metallic fillings



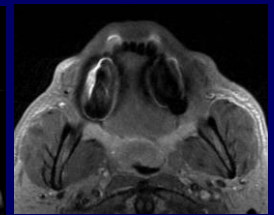
'Streak' artifacts



Dental filling artifacts: CT / MRI



CT



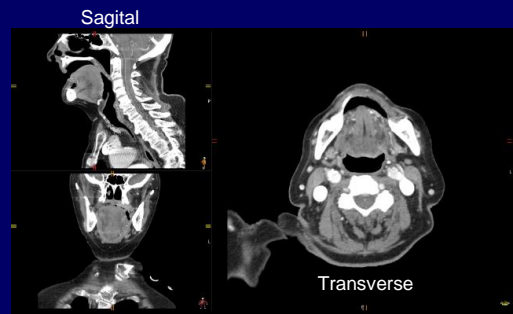
MRI

Multi-detector Spiral CT Neck

- 'Box' acquisition
 - Upper orbit / lung apex
- Scanning time: +/- 7 sec.
- +/- 400 sections: 1,5mm
 - Reconstructions: 3mm
 - Standard directions (3)



Standard directions



Coronal

Transverse

Daily practice: CT

- Female, 89 years
- Since several months painful mouth
- Examination:
 - Lesion soft palate
 - 3,0 cm (T2)



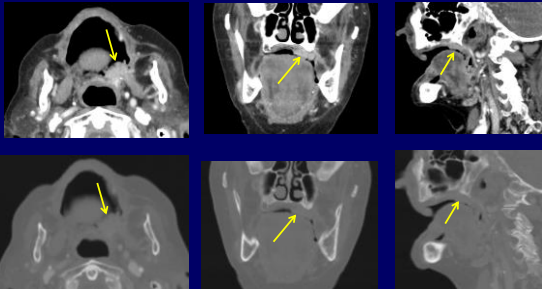
- Biopsy: Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC)

Radiological work-up

- Chest X-ray
 - Normal
- US Neck
 - Normal nodes
 - No FNAC
- CT Neck



Soft tissue window



Bone window

Multidisciplinary H&N meeting

- T2N0 maxillar ca.
- Treatment
 - Partial maxillectomy
 - Palatal obturator
- Path report: verrucous ca. Ø 4,8 cm, near positive surgical ventral margin (<1mm)
- **Conclusion:**
 - pT3N0M0
 - In view of age: clinical follow-up (no post-op RT)



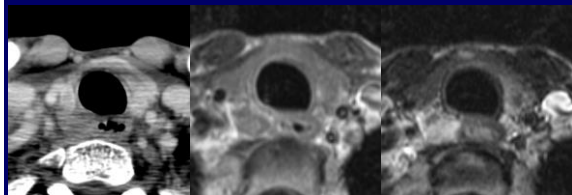
Objectives

- Ultrasound
- Panoramic dental X-ray
- CT
- **MRI**

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)

- **Advantages:**
 - No radiation
 - Allergies to iv contrast (Gadolinium) extremely rare
 - Superior soft tissue contrast (vs. CT)
 - Less dental filling metallic artifacts
- **Disadvantages:**
 - Limited availability; expensive
 - Long acquisition time => ↑ motion degradation
 - More contraindications (claustrophobia, ICD, CI, etc.)

Superior soft tissue contrast (vs. CT)
Patient with hoarseness

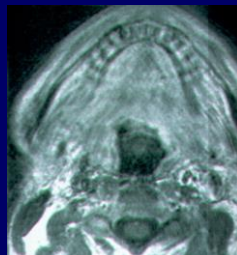


CT

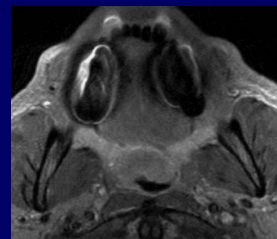
MR T1 + C

MR T2

Artifacts



Movement



Dental fillings

Technique

Classic sequences:

- T1
 - Without / with i.v. contrast
 - Fatsuppressed

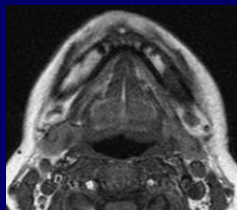


- T2

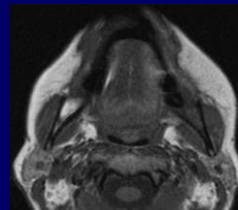


T1 without i.v. contrast

- "Fat is your friend" (anatomical orientation)



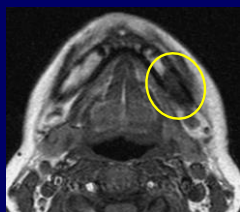
T1



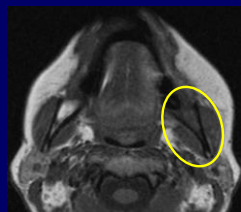
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T1 without i.v. contrast

- "Fat is your friend" (anatomical orientation)



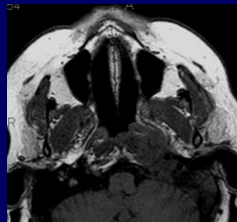
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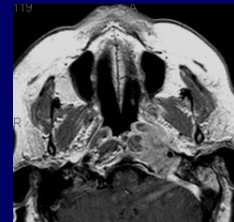
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T1 with i.v. contrast

- Improved delineation of enhancing lesions from surrounding normal anatomy



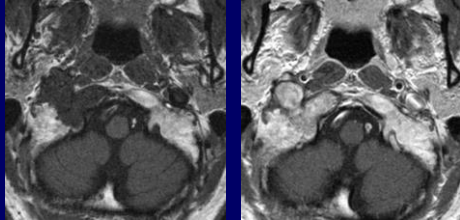
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T1 + C

T1 with i.v. contrast

- May obscure enhancing lesions surrounded by fat !!

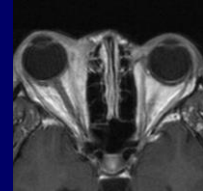


T1

T1 + C

T1 + C + Fat Suppression (FS)

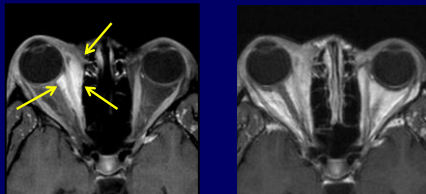
- Improved delineation of enhancing lesions surrounded by fat



T1 + C

T1 + C + Fat Suppression (FS)

- Improved delineation of enhancing lesions surrounded by fat

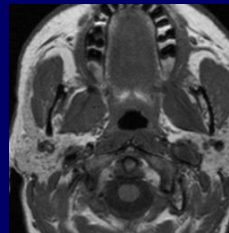


T1 + C + FS

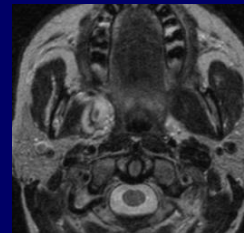
T1 + C

T2

- Lesion detection



T1



T2

Technique

Classic sequences:

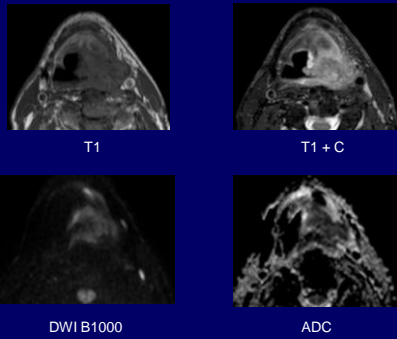
- T1
 - Without / with i.v. contrast
 - Fatsuppressed
- T2
- **New sequences**



Diffusion weighted imaging

- **DWI:** May be helpful in narrowing of differential diagnosis
- **Restricted diffusion seen in**
 - Benign lesions e.g.
 - Cholesteatoma, epidermoid
 - Malignant lesions e.g.
 - (Head & Neck) Cancer
 - Lymphoma, leukemia, metastasis

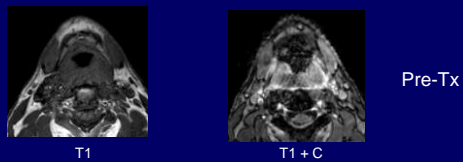
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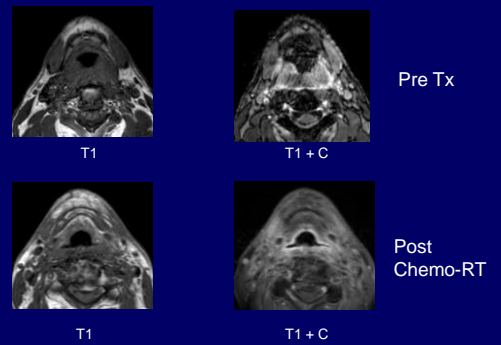
DWI Future

- Detection of recurrence
– vs PET
- Early response monitoring

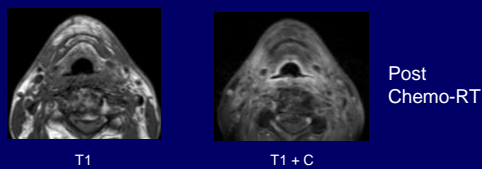
Posterior pharyngeal wall ca.



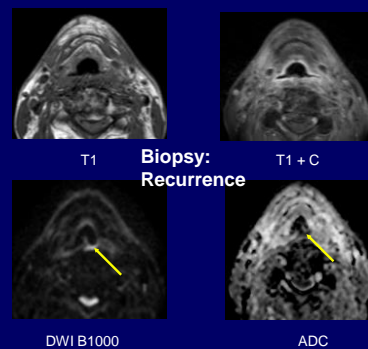
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Posterior pharyngeal wall ca. post Tx



Posterior pharyngeal wall ca. post Tx



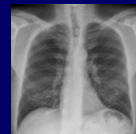
Daily practice: MRI

- Male, 65 years
- 42 pack years
- Recently extraction 48
 - No healing
- Examination:
 - Tumor right gingival ridge
 - 2,5 x 3,5cm (T2)
 - Invasion of mandible? (T4a)
- Biopsy: Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC)

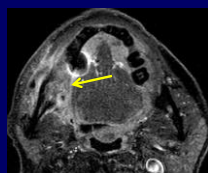
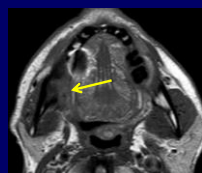


Radiological work-up

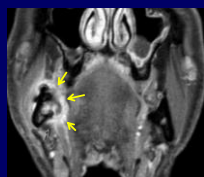
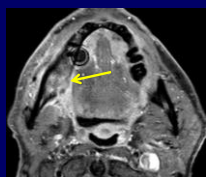
- Chest X-ray: normal
- US Neck:
 - FNAC right neck Level I / II
 - Cytology report: no malignant cells
- Panoramic dental X-ray
- MRI



T1



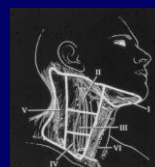
T2



T1 + C + FS

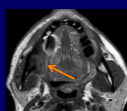
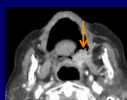
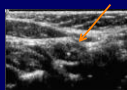
Multidisciplinary H&N meeting

- T4aN0 right gingival carcinoma
- Treatment
 - Segmental mandibular resection
 - Neck dissection level I-III
- Path report
 - Tumor excision: radical
 - Neck dissection level I-III: no lymph node mets
- **Conclusion:**
 - pT4aN0M0
 - Clinical follow-up (no post-operative RT needed)



Objectives

- Ultrasound
- Panoramic dental X-ray
- CT
- MRI



Imaging work-up

CT, MR (PET etc.)

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Radiobiological principles in head and neck radiotherapy



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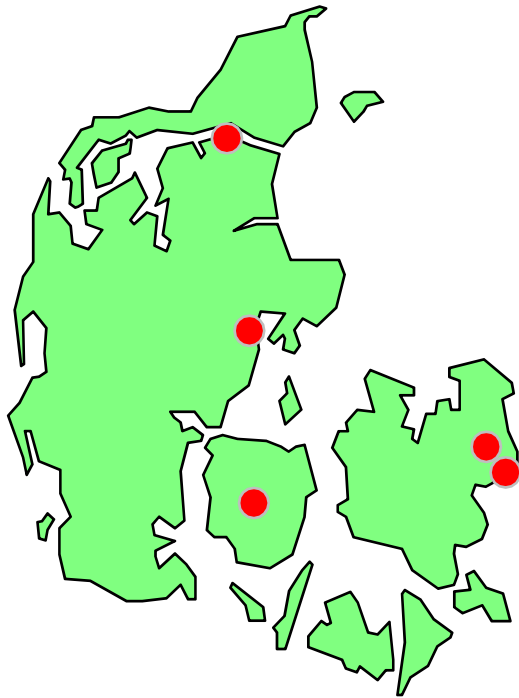
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DAHANCA

The Danish Head and Neck Cancer Group



- Established 1976
- National database
- Registration and follow up of all patients with head and neck cancer
- National treatment strategy
- Clinical trials
- Quality assurance

Role of RT in head and neck cancer

- Primary radiotherapy
- Adjuvant radiotherapy
- Palliative radiotherapy

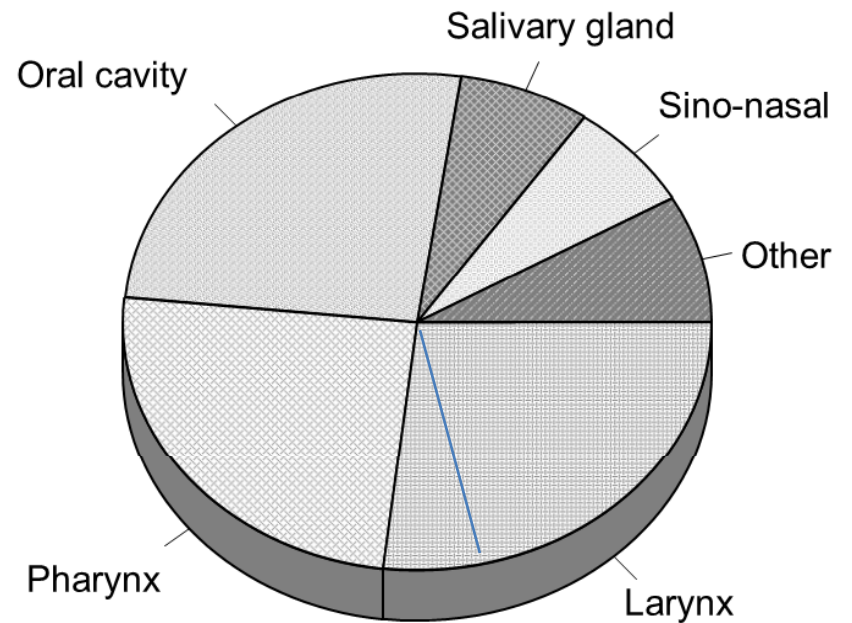
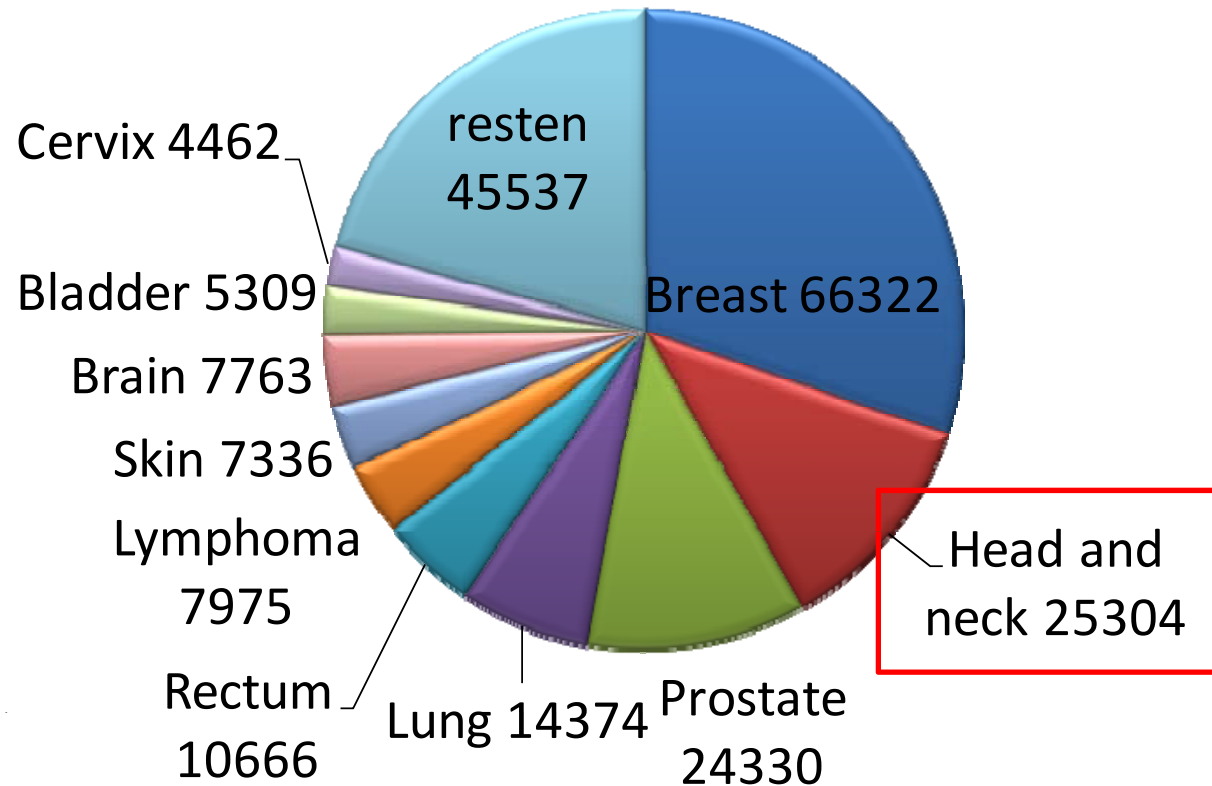


TABLE 3
Optimal Radiotherapy Utilization Rate by Cancer Type

| Tumor type | Proportion of all cancers | Proportion of patients receiving radiotherapy | Patients receiving radiotherapy (% of all cancers) | Reference |
|------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Breast | 0.13 | 83 | 10.8 | Delaney et al. ¹² |
| Lung | 0.10 | 76 | 7.6 | Delaney et al. ¹³ |
| Melanoma | 0.11 | 23 | 2.5 | Delaney et al. ¹⁴ |
| Prostate | 0.12 | 60 | 7.2 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Gynecologic | 0.05 | 35 | 1.8 | Delaney et al. ^{18,19} |
| Colon | 0.09 | 14 | 1.3 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Rectum | 0.05 | 61 | 3.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Head and neck | 0.04 | 78 | 3.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁷ |
| Gall bladder | 0.01 | 13 | 0.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Liver | 0.01 | 0 | 0.0 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Esophageal | 0.01 | 80 | 0.8 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Stomach | 0.02 | 68 | 1.4 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Pancreas | 0.02 | 57 | 1.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Lymphoma | 0.04 | 65 | 2.6 | Featherstone et al. ²⁰ |
| Leukemia | 0.03 | 4 | 0.1 | Featherstone et al. ²¹ |
| Myeloma | 0.01 | 38 | 0.4 | Featherstone et al. ²¹ |
| Central nervous system | 0.02 | 92 | 1.8 | Delaney et al. ²² |
| Renal | 0.03 | 27 | 0.8 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Bladder | 0.03 | 58 | 1.7 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Testis | 0.01 | 49 | 0.5 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Thyroid | 0.01 | 10 | 0.1 | Delaney et al. ²² |
| Unknown primary | 0.04 | 61 | 2.4 | Delaney et al. ²² |
| Other | 0.02 | 50 | 1.0 | See citations in text |
| Total | 1.00 | - | 52.3 | |

Radiotherapy fractions Denmark

- 2007
- Total 217.579 fractions
- 12.891 patients



Fractionation

HPV

Hypoxia

Chemotherapy

EGFR

HN radiotherapy

Co-morbidity

Morbidity

IMRT

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Rehabilitation

Fractionation

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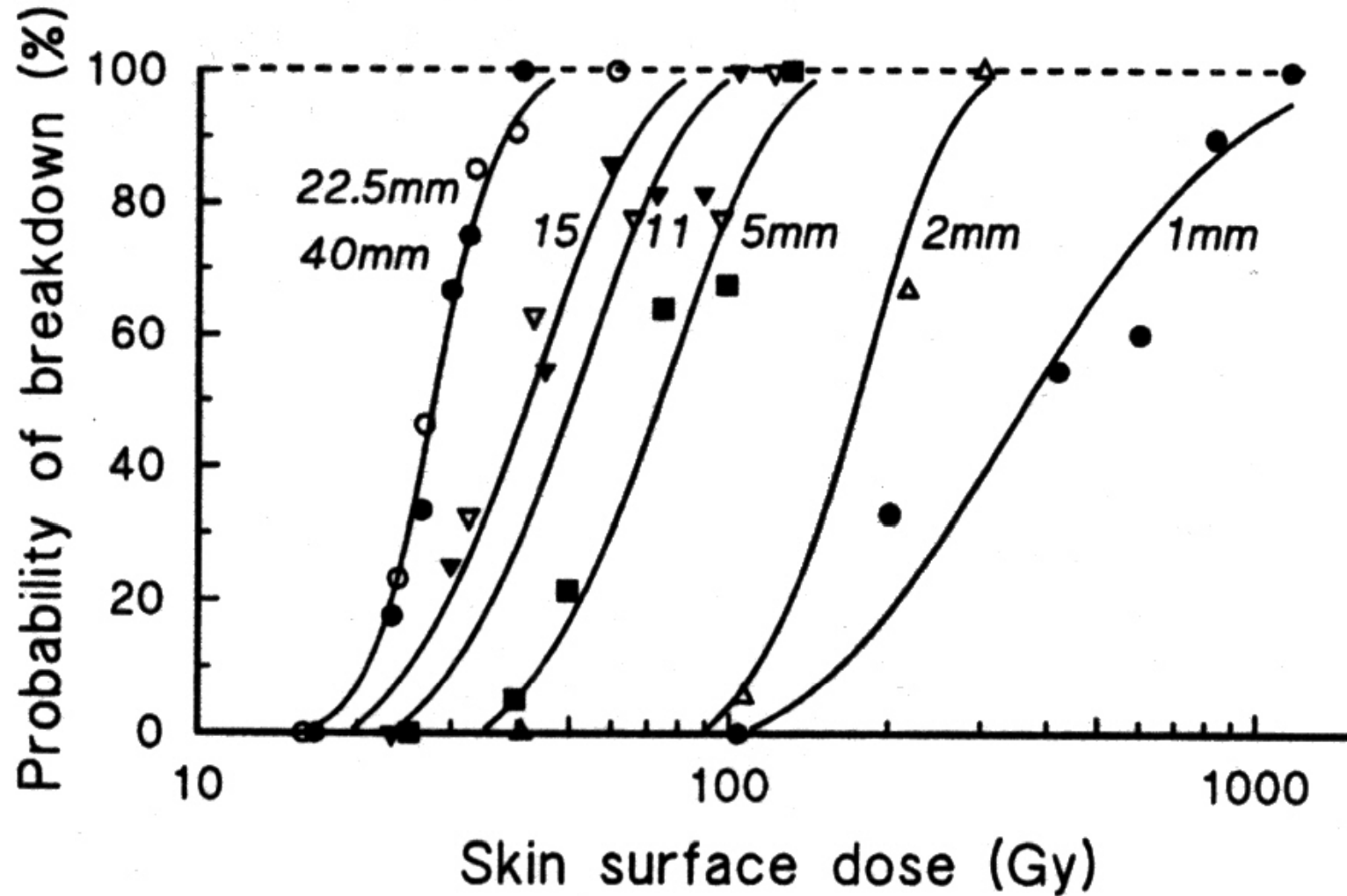
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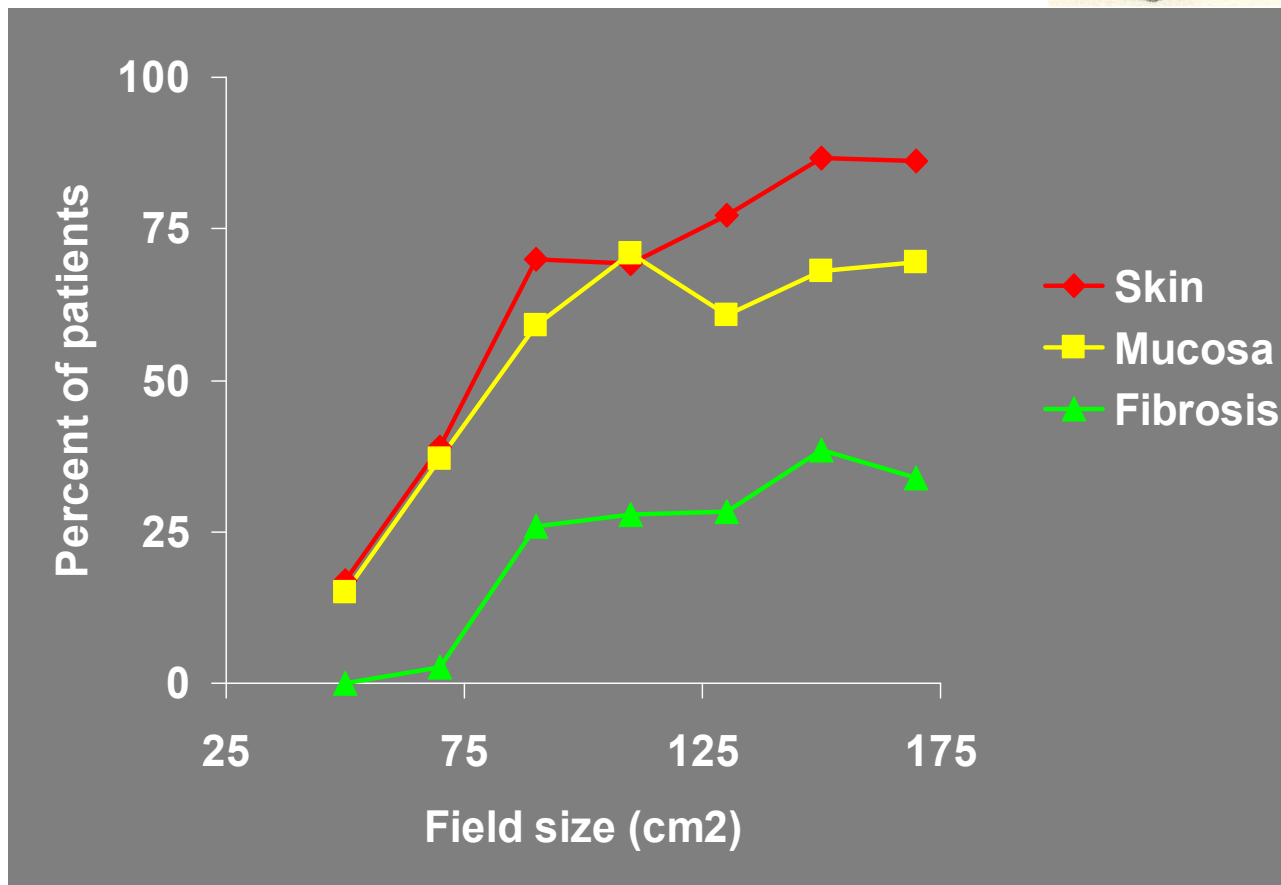
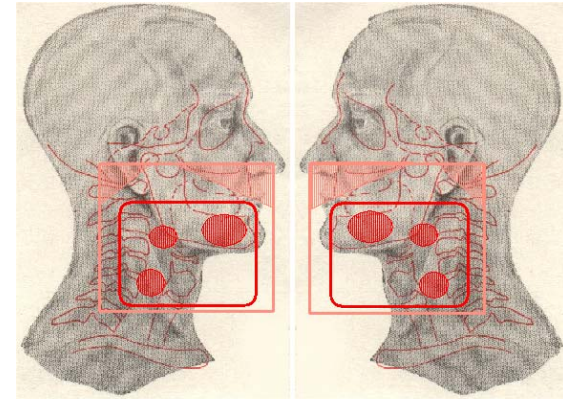
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Volume effect

Dose-volume-effect

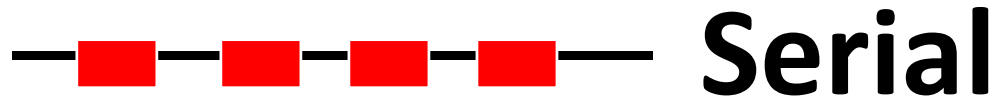


Volume and morbidity in HN radiotherapy

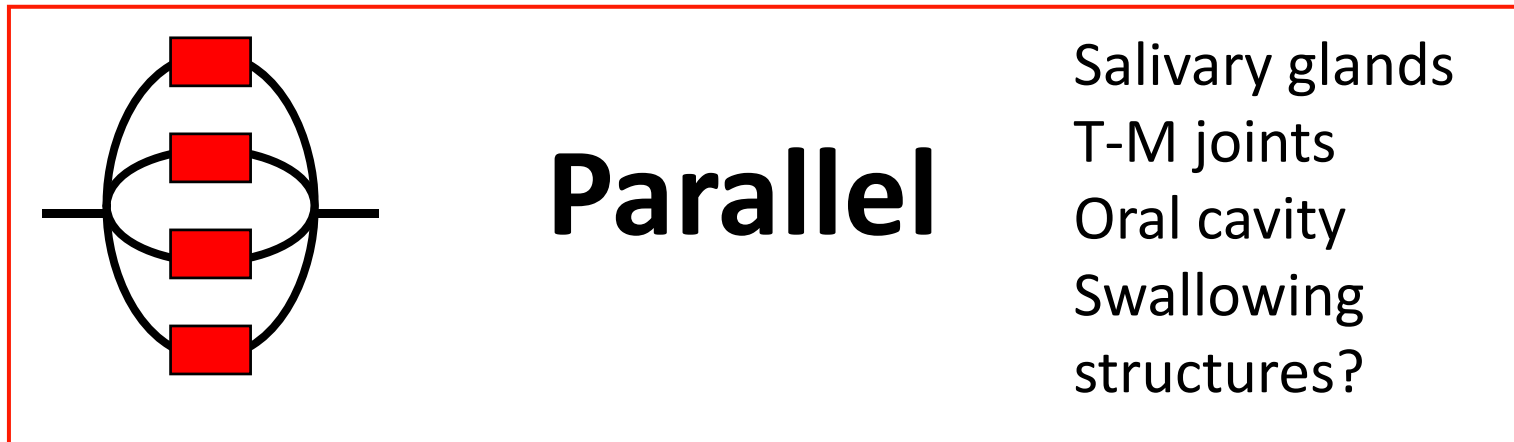


Data from IAEA MMC trial

Parallel vs. serial organization of tissues

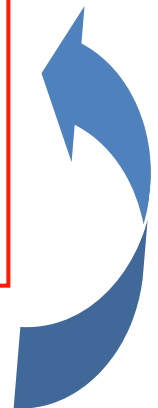


Spinal cord
Brain stem
Optic nerves
Chiasm
Inner ear



Salivary glands
T-M joints
Oral cavity
Swallowing structures?

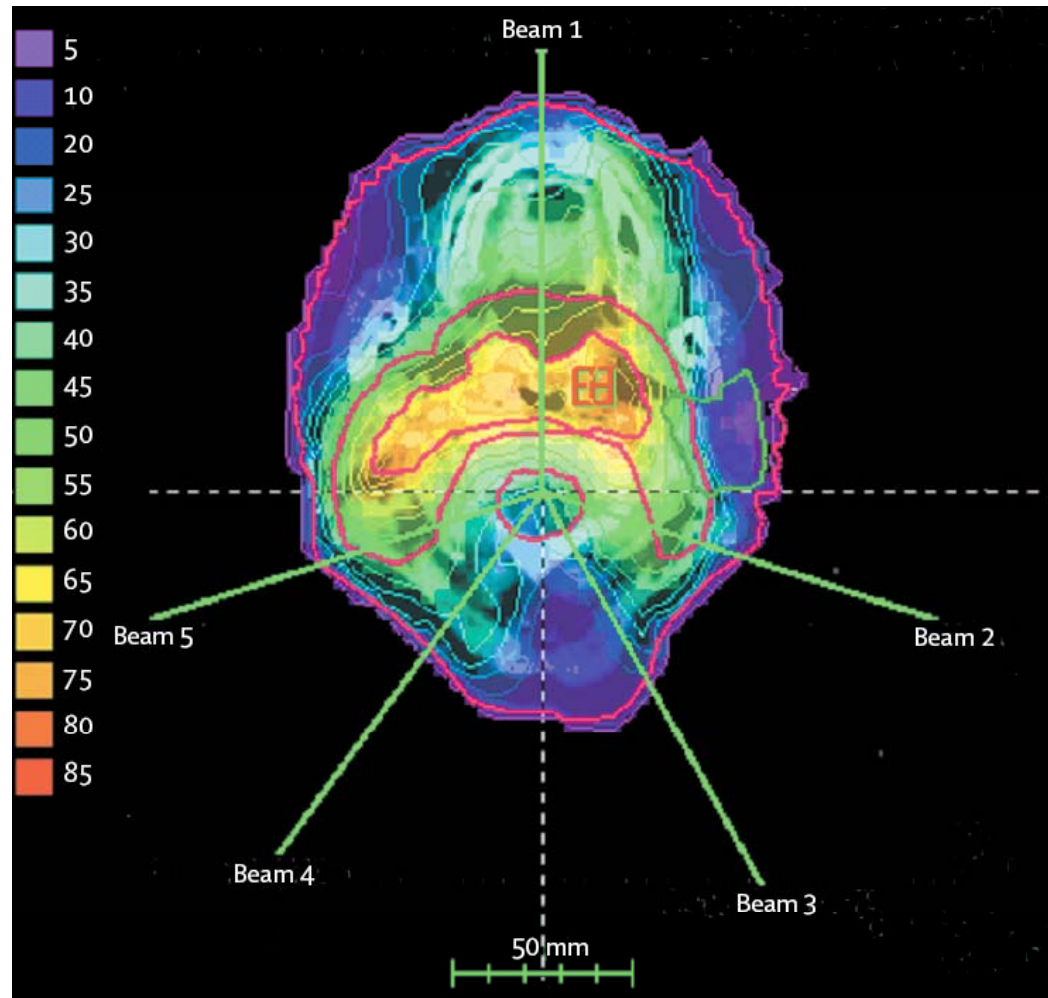
Volume effect



Normal tissue tolerance

- **Serial tissue: Dose constraints**
 - Tolerance is not related to the irradiated volume
 - Max dose
 - E.g. 'max 50 Gy to spinal cord' 'max 54 Gy to optic chiasm'
- **Parallel tissue: Dose volume constraints**
 - Tolerance is dependent on the irradiated volume
 - DVH constraints
 - E.g. 'mean dose below 30 Gy to oral cavity', 'mean dose below 26 Gy to parotids', '2/3 of larynx below 50 Gy'

Intensity Modulated RT (IMRT)



Fractionation

HPV

Hypoxia

Chemotherapy

EGFR

HN radiotherapy

Co-morbidity

Morbidity

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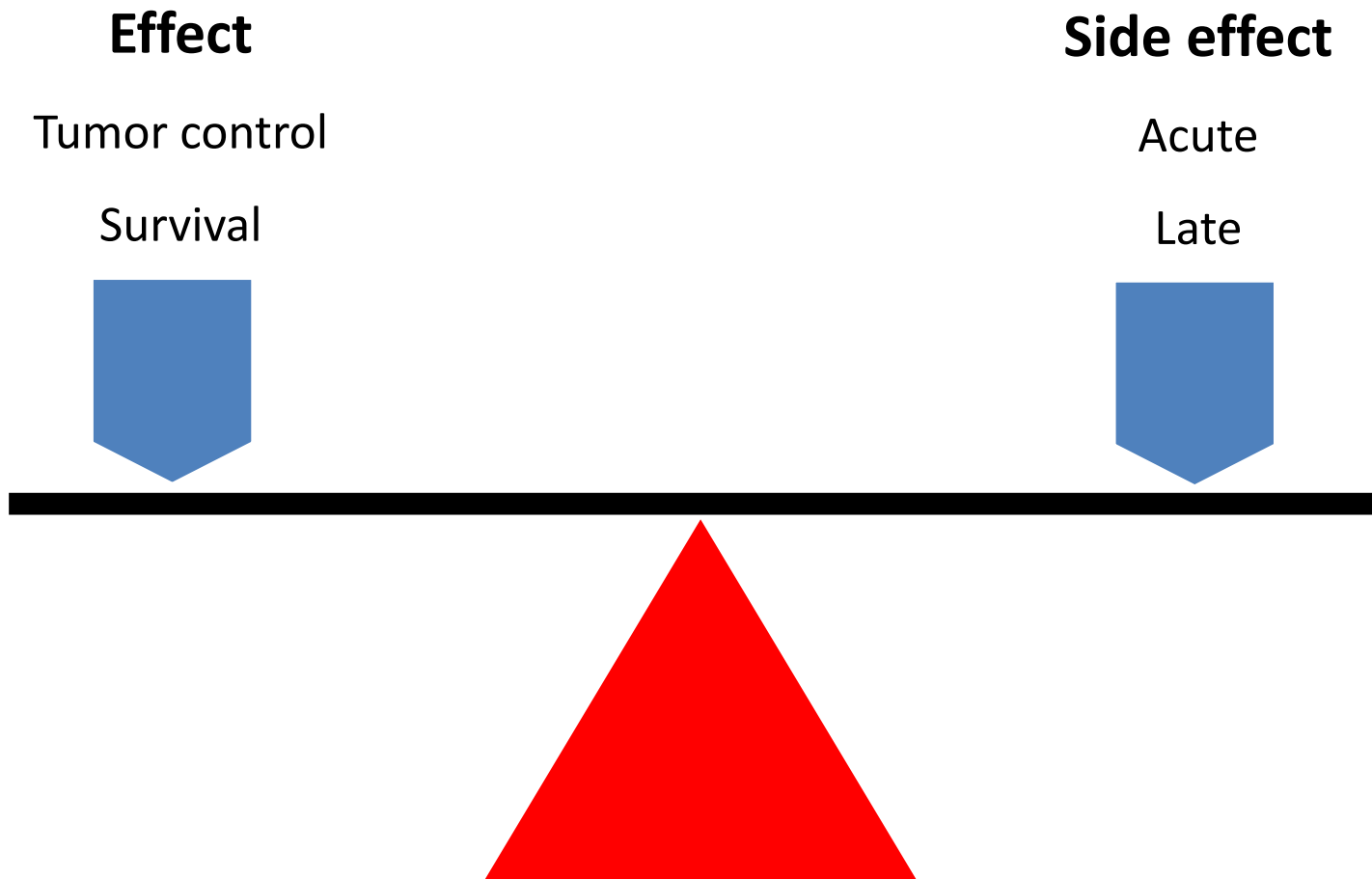
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Radiotherapy intensifiers

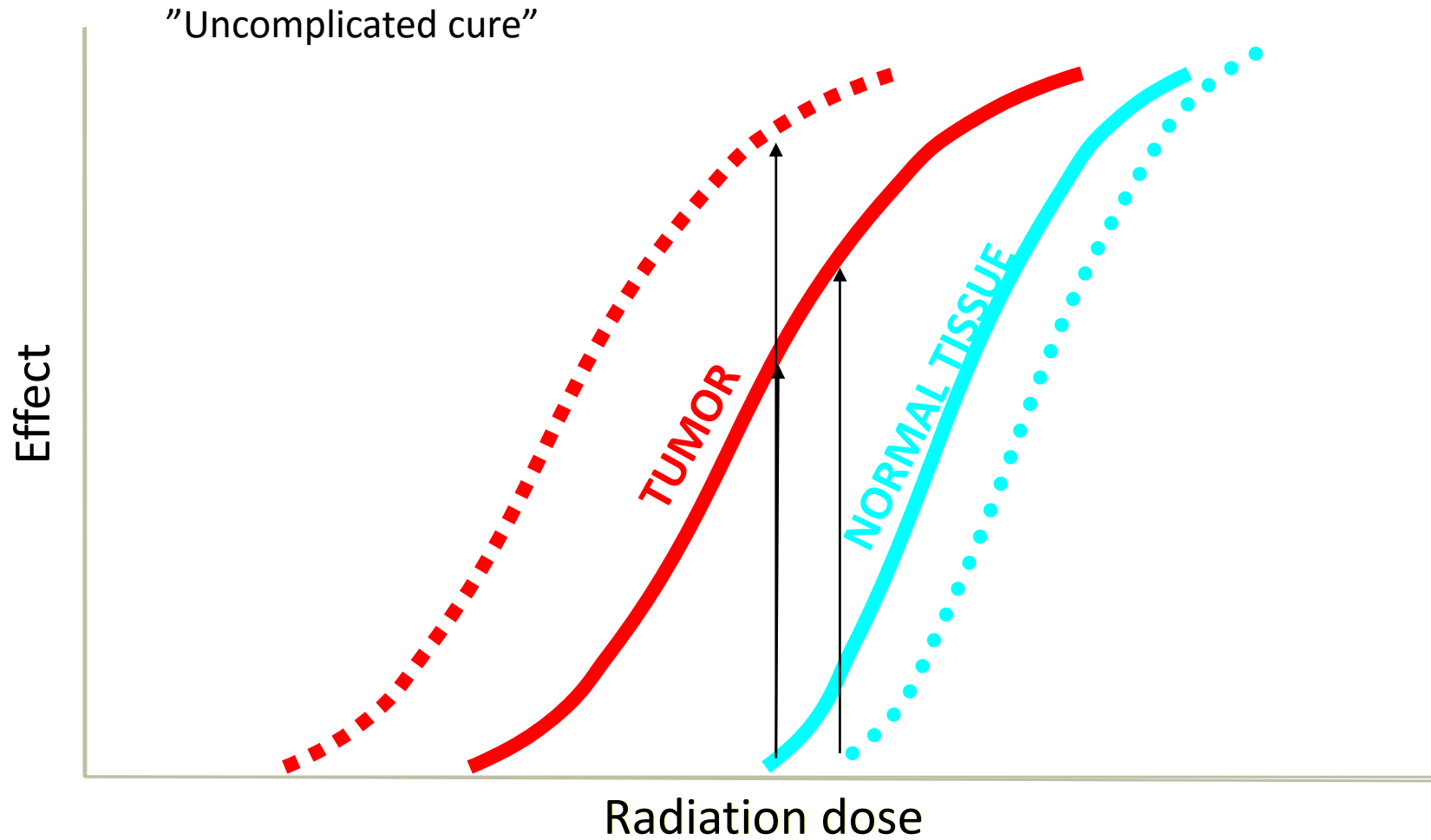
- 20.000+ pre-clinical studies
- 2.000+ phase I-II trials
- 200+ randomized trials
- 20+ metaanalyses

- In less than 45 minutes...

Therapeutic ratio



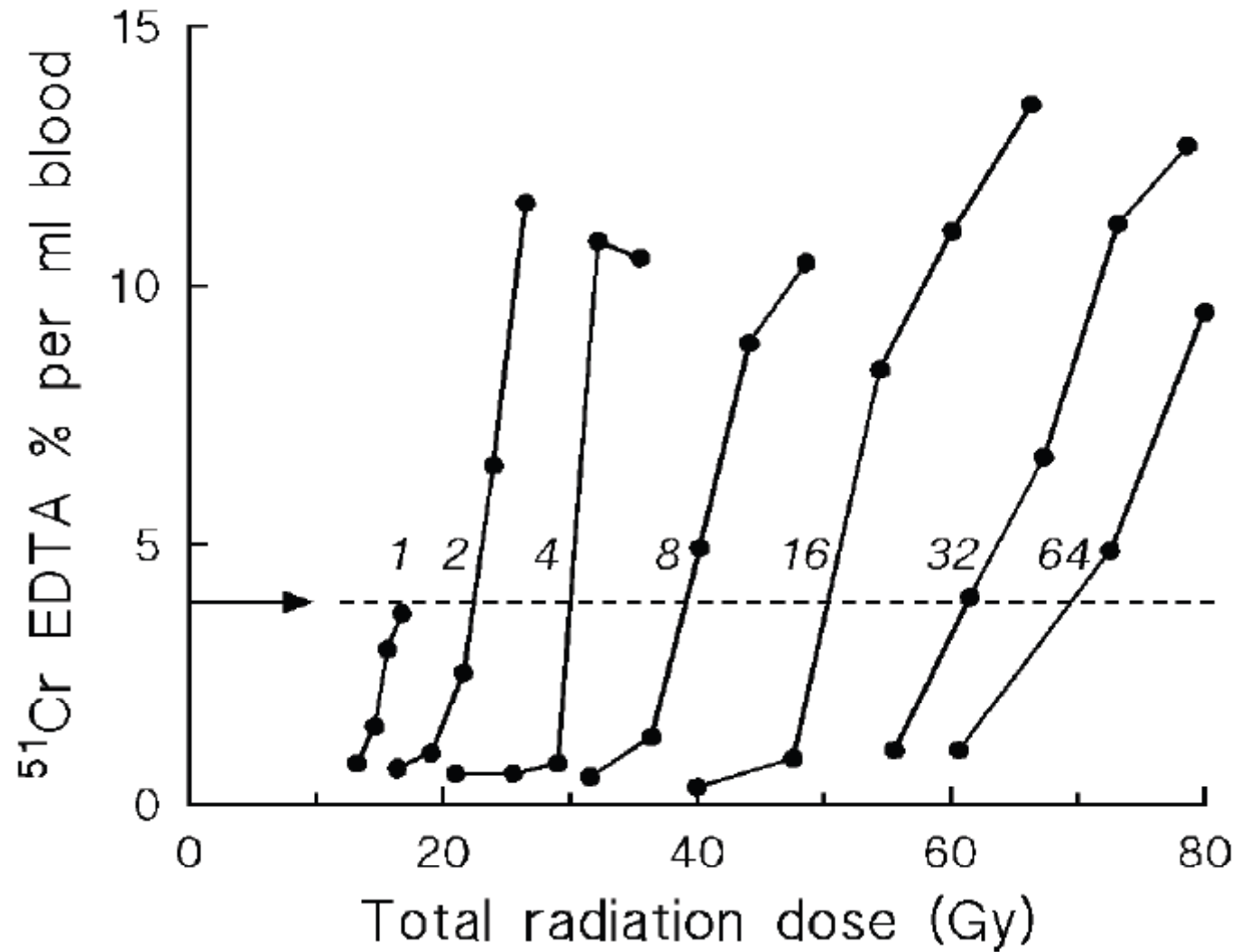
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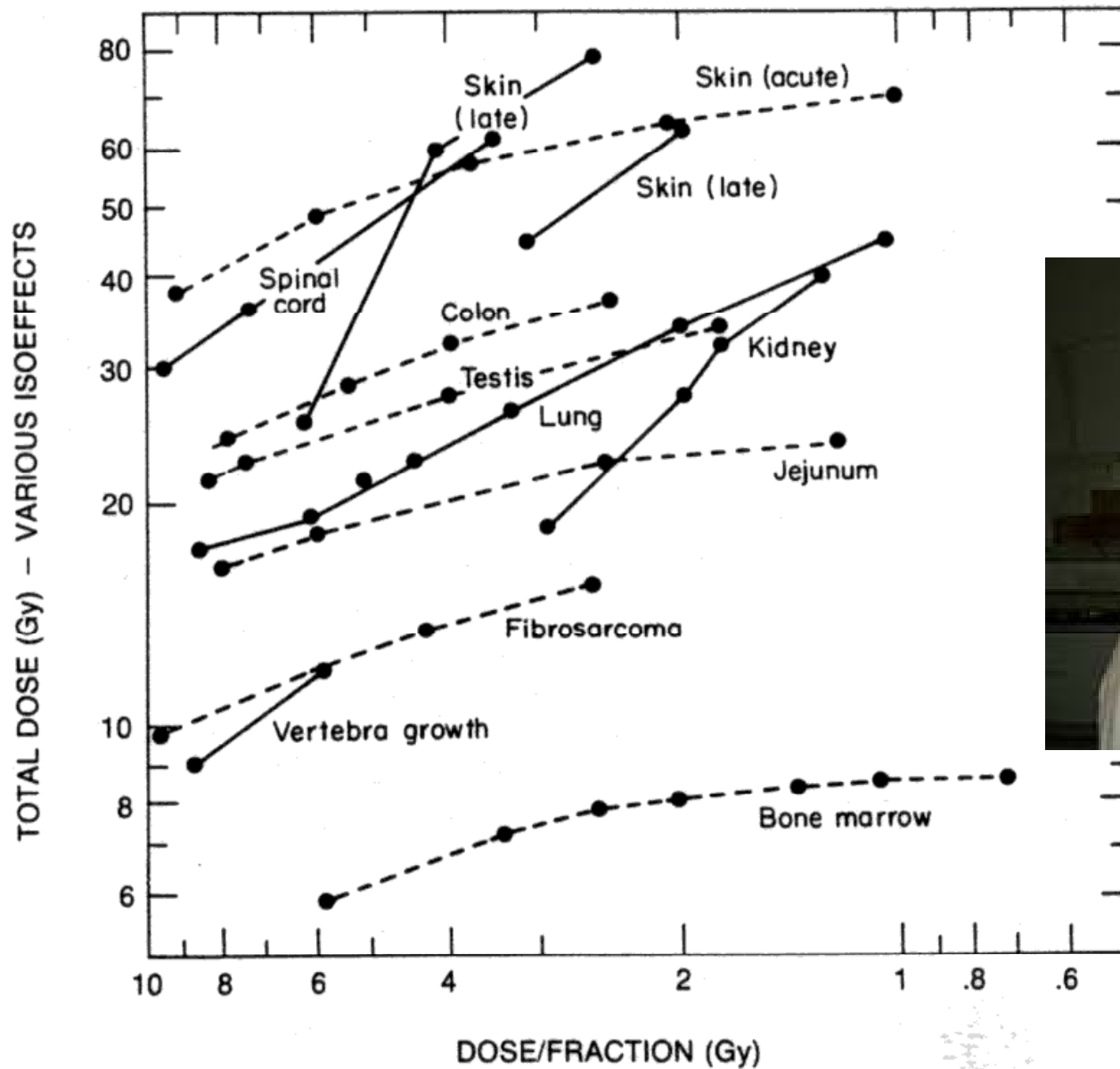
Fractionation



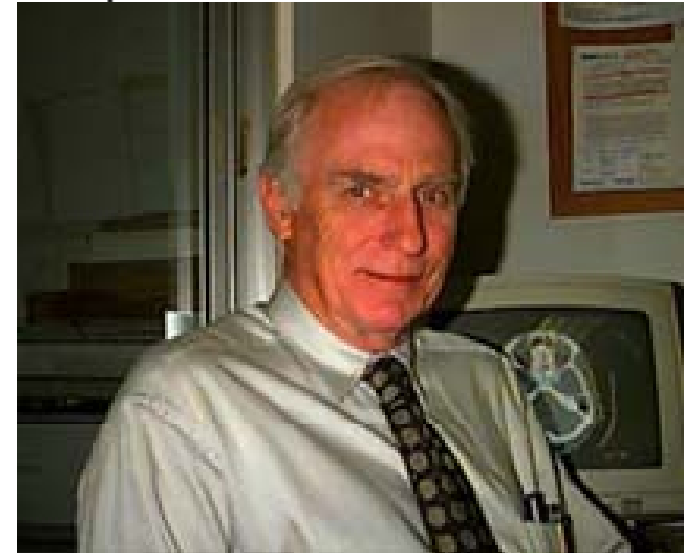
Fractionation and iso-effect



Fractionation sensitivity - The spaghetti plot



H.R. Withers Cancer
55: 2086, 1985



Fractionation sensitivity

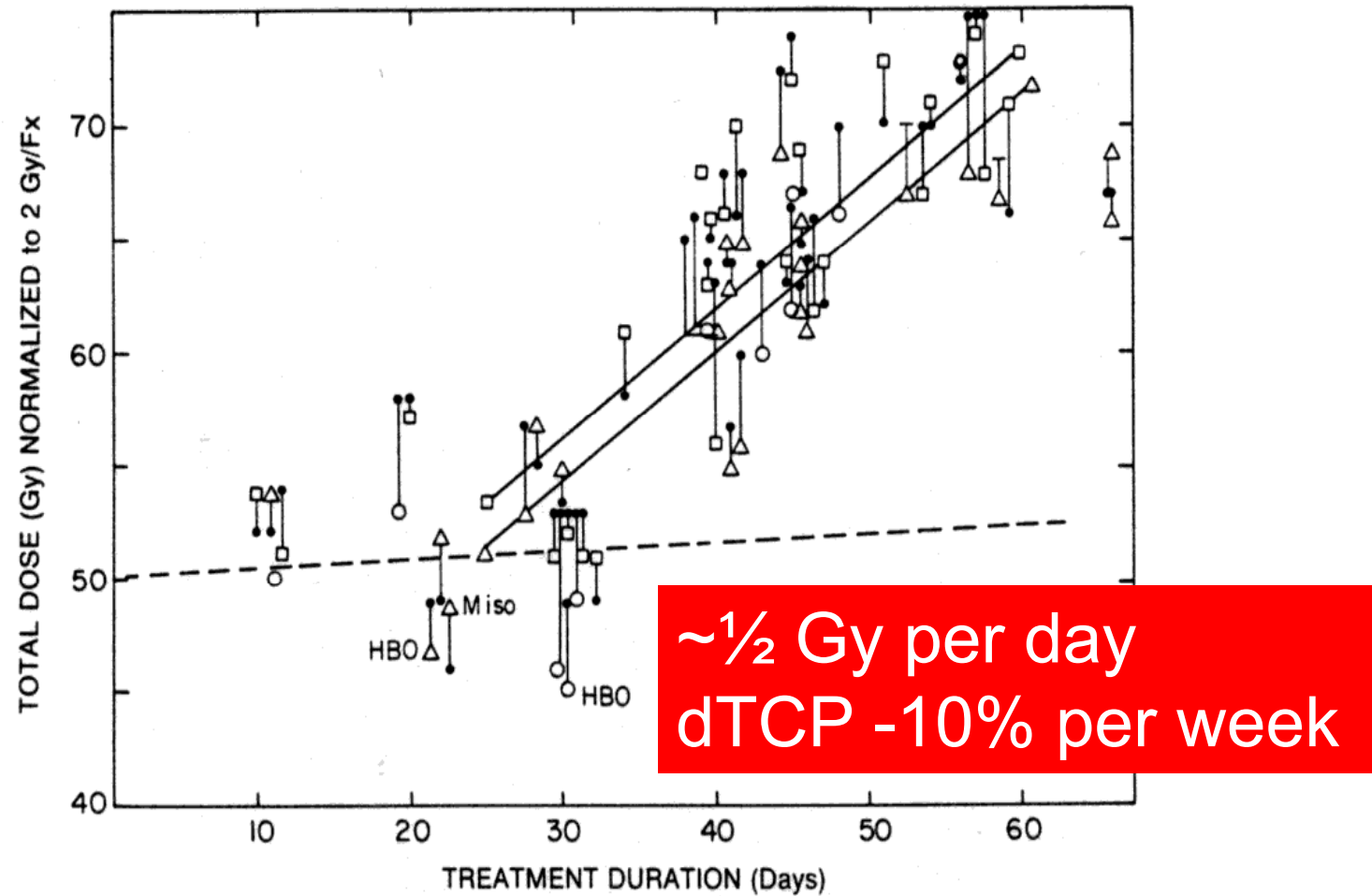
Early reacting normal tissues

- Low fractionation sensitivity
- Small increase in tolerance with decreasing dose per fraction
- High alpha-beta (8-30 Gy)
- Time factor (repopulation)

Late reacting normal tissues

- High fractionation sensitivity
- Large increase in tolerance with decreasing dose per fraction
- Low alpha-beta (2-4 Gy)
- No time factor

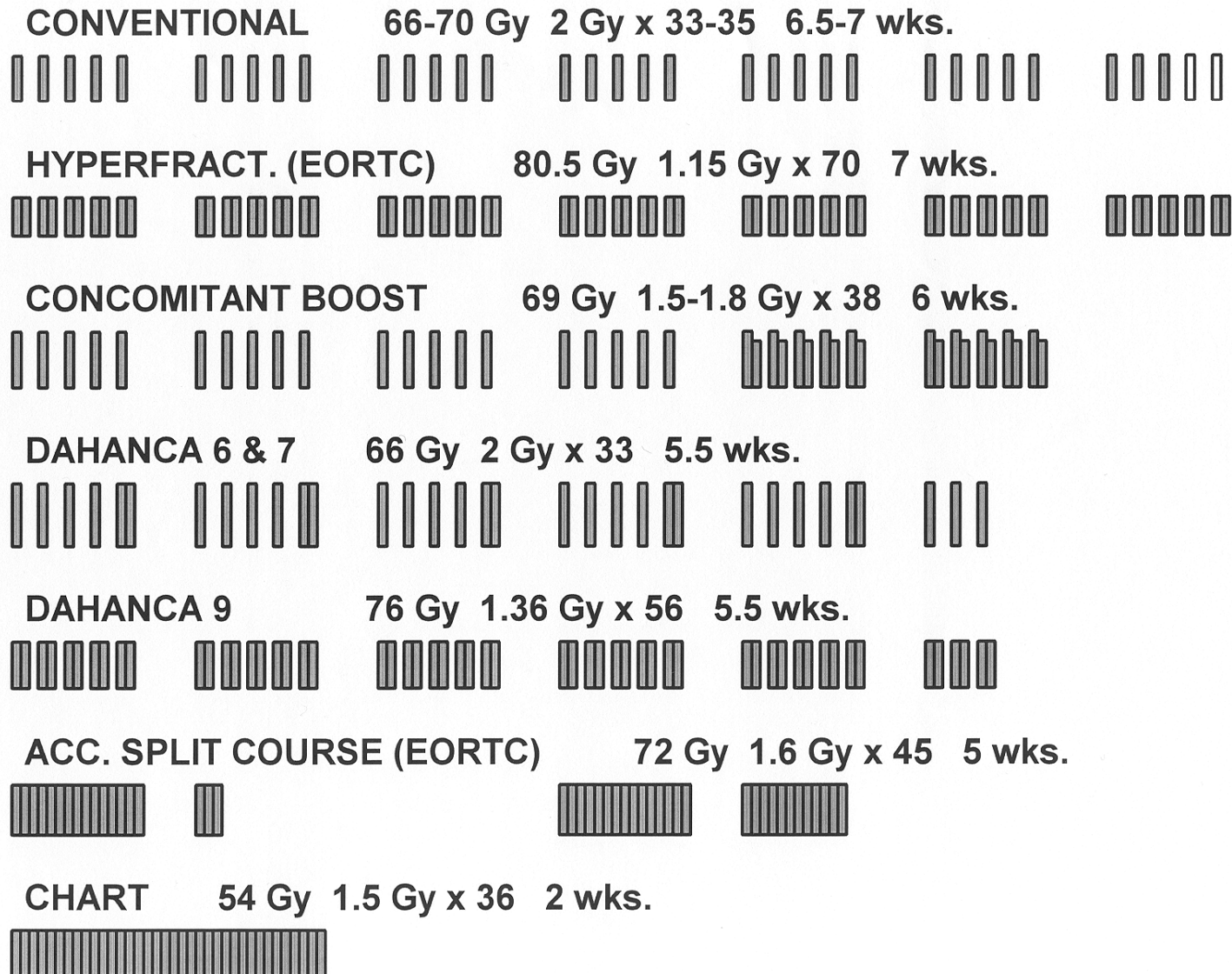
ACCELERATED REPOPULATION



Fractionation principles

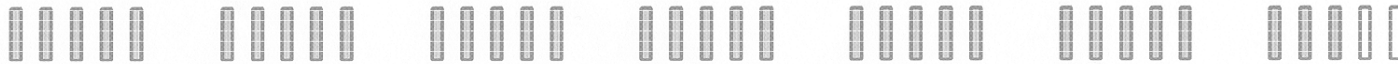
- **Conventional fractionation:** Dose per fraction 1.8-2.0 Gy, 5 fx/wk
- **Hyperfractionation:** Dose per fraction <1.8 Gy
- **Hypofractionation:** Dose per fraction >2.0 Gy
- **Split-course:** A treatment break (weeks), resulting in prolonged overall treatment time
- **Accelerated fractionation:** Reduced overall treatment time

Fractionation studies in head and neck cancer



Fractionation studies in head and neck cancer

CONVENTIONAL 66-70 Gy 2 Gy x 33-35 6.5-7 wks.



HYPERFRACT. (EORTC) 80.5 Gy 1.15 Gy x 70 7 wks.



CONCOMITANT BOOST 69 Gy 1.5-1.8 Gy x 38 6 wks



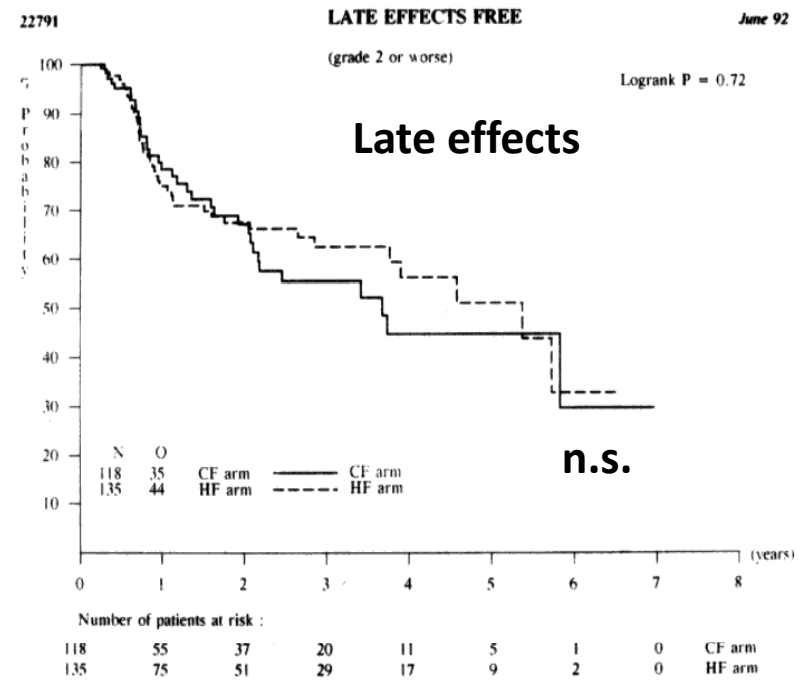
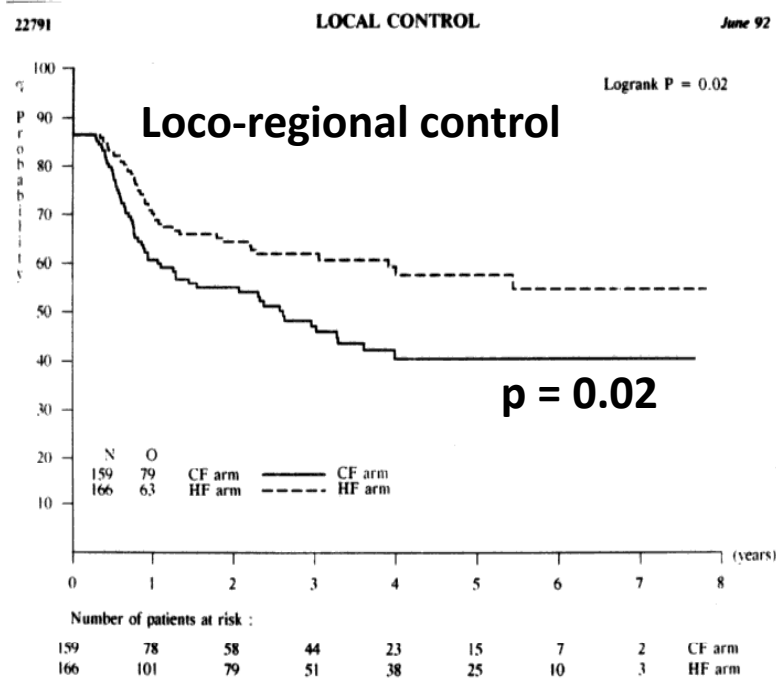
CHART 54 Gy 1.5 Gy x 36 2 wks.



EORTC 22791

Hyperfractionation

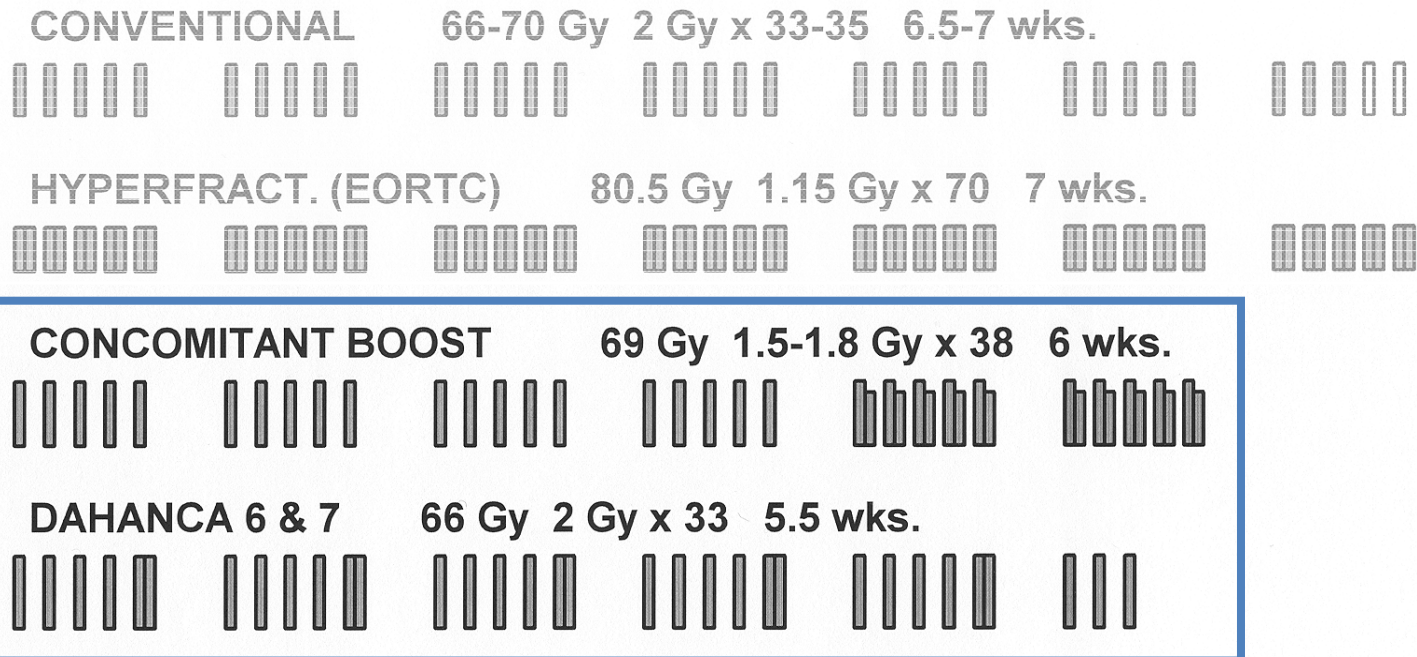
356 pts. T2-T3 N0-N1 oropharynx



Improved Therapeutic Ratio:

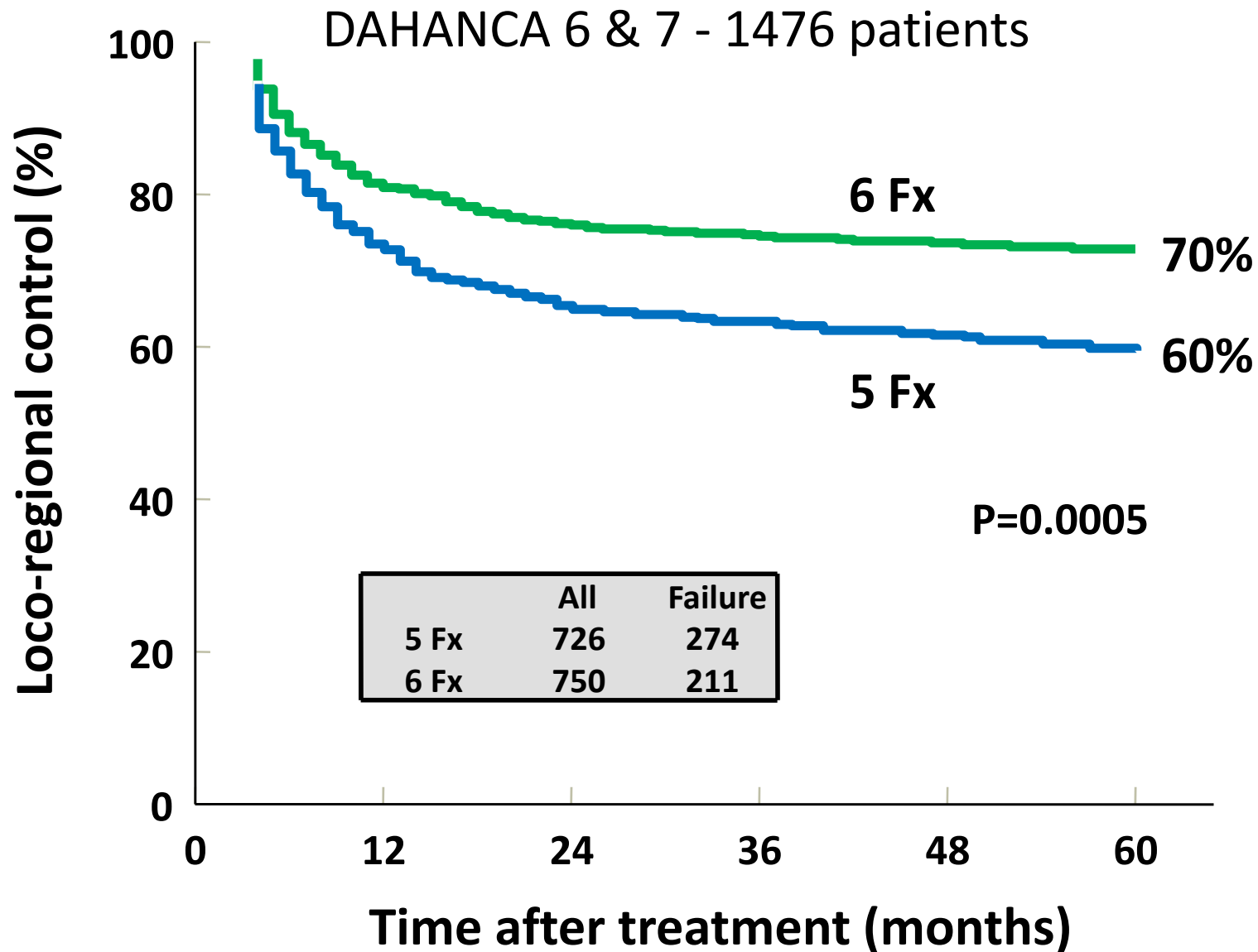
Increase in tumor control with same late morbidity

Fractionation studies in head and neck cancer



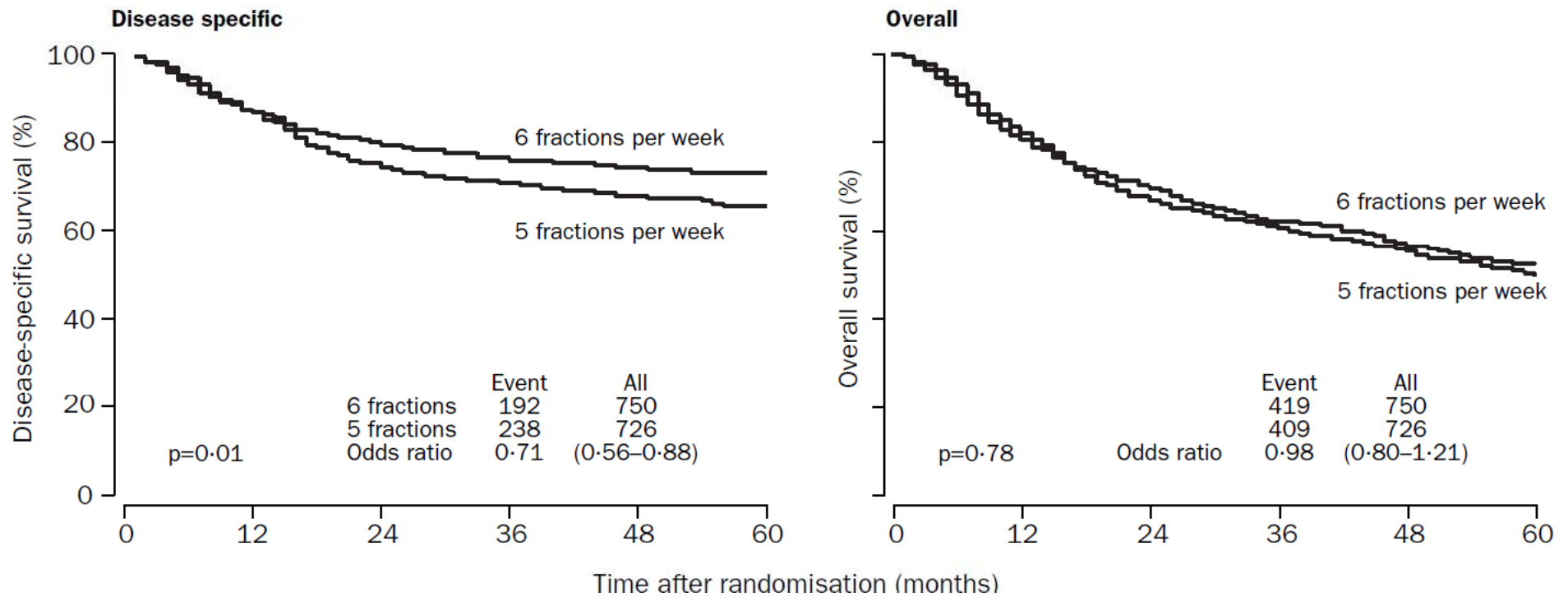
**Accelerated
fractionation**

Loco-regional control – acc. RT

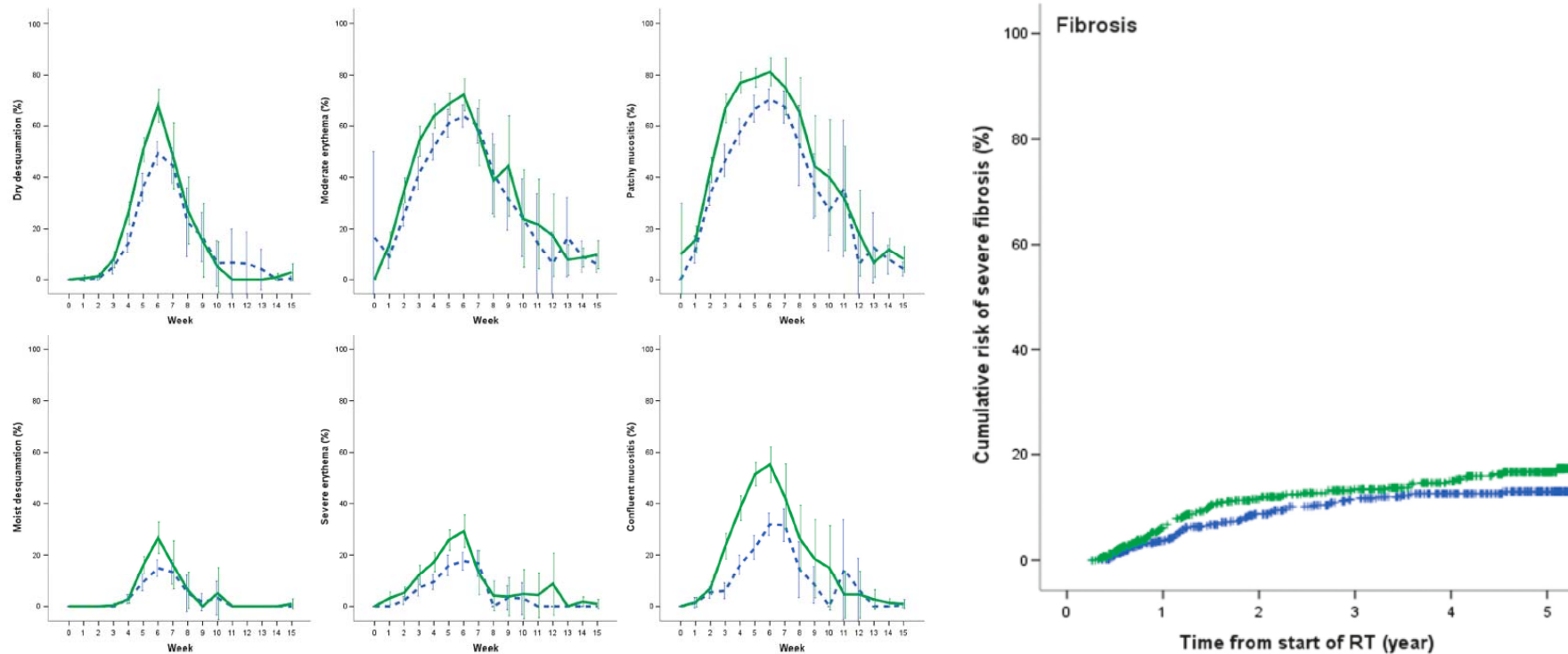


DAHANCA 6&7

Survival

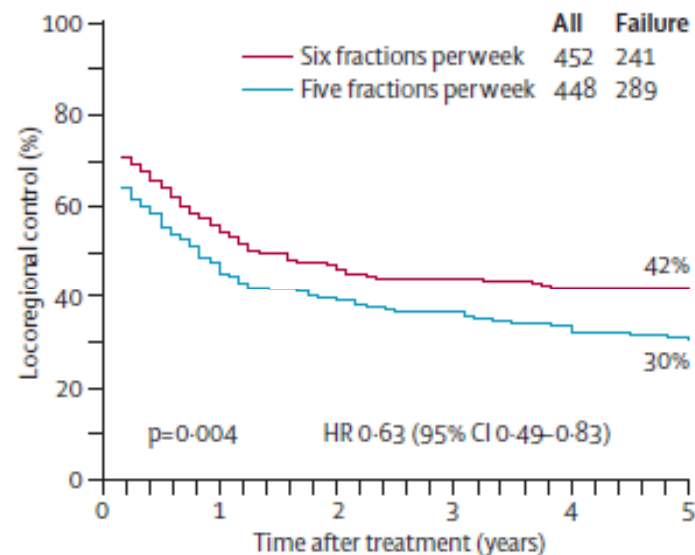


Morbidity – acc. radiotherapy DAHANCA 6 & 7

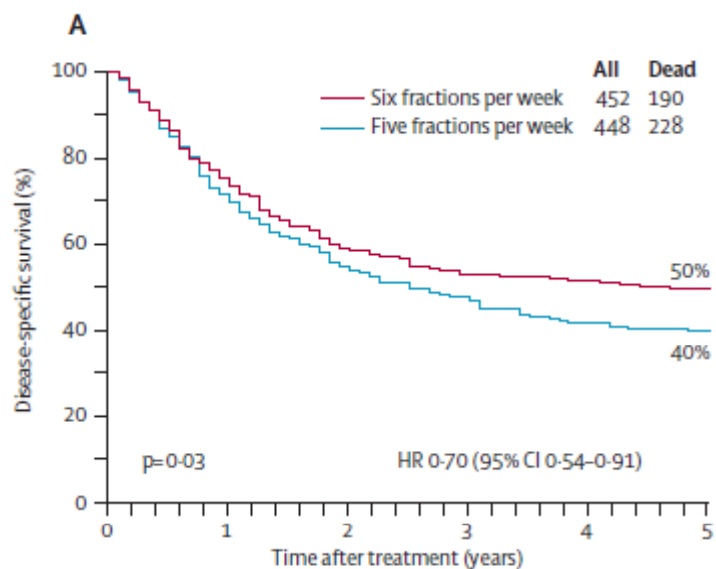


IAEA-ACC study

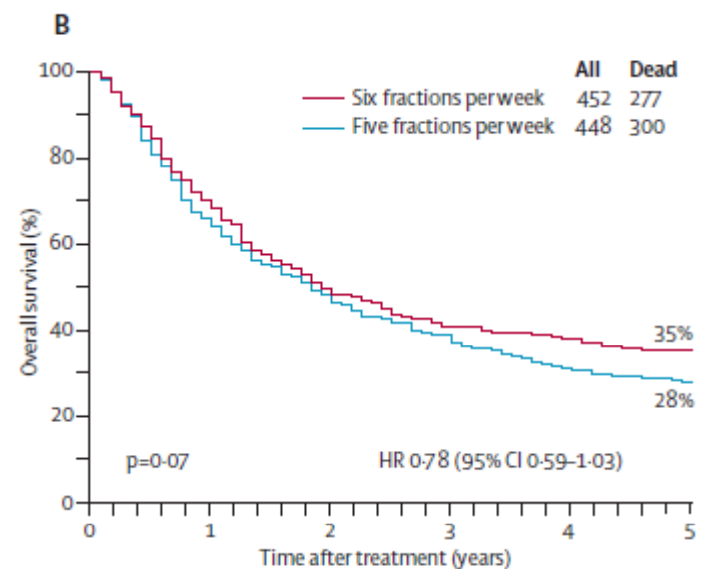
| | Five fractions per week (N=448) | Six fractions per week (N=452) |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Recruiting centre | | |
| New Delhi | 126 (28%) | 128 (28%) |
| Peshawar | 104 (23%) | 105 (23%) |
| Islamabad | 70 (16%) | 69 (15%) |
| Mumbai | 64 (14%) | 63 (14%) |
| Tallinn | 53 (12%) | 53 (12%) |
| Santiago | 14 (3%) | 12 (3%) |
| Riyadh | 9 (2%) | 10 (2%) |
| Cape Town | 6 (1%) | 10 (2%) |
| Beirut | 2 (1%) | 2 (1%) |



| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Six fractions per week | 452 | 213 | 122 | 84 |
| Five fractions per week | 448 | 184 | 104 | 62 |



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| Six fractions per week | 452 | 290 | 147 | 101 |
| Five fractions per week | 448 | 278 | 142 | 81 |

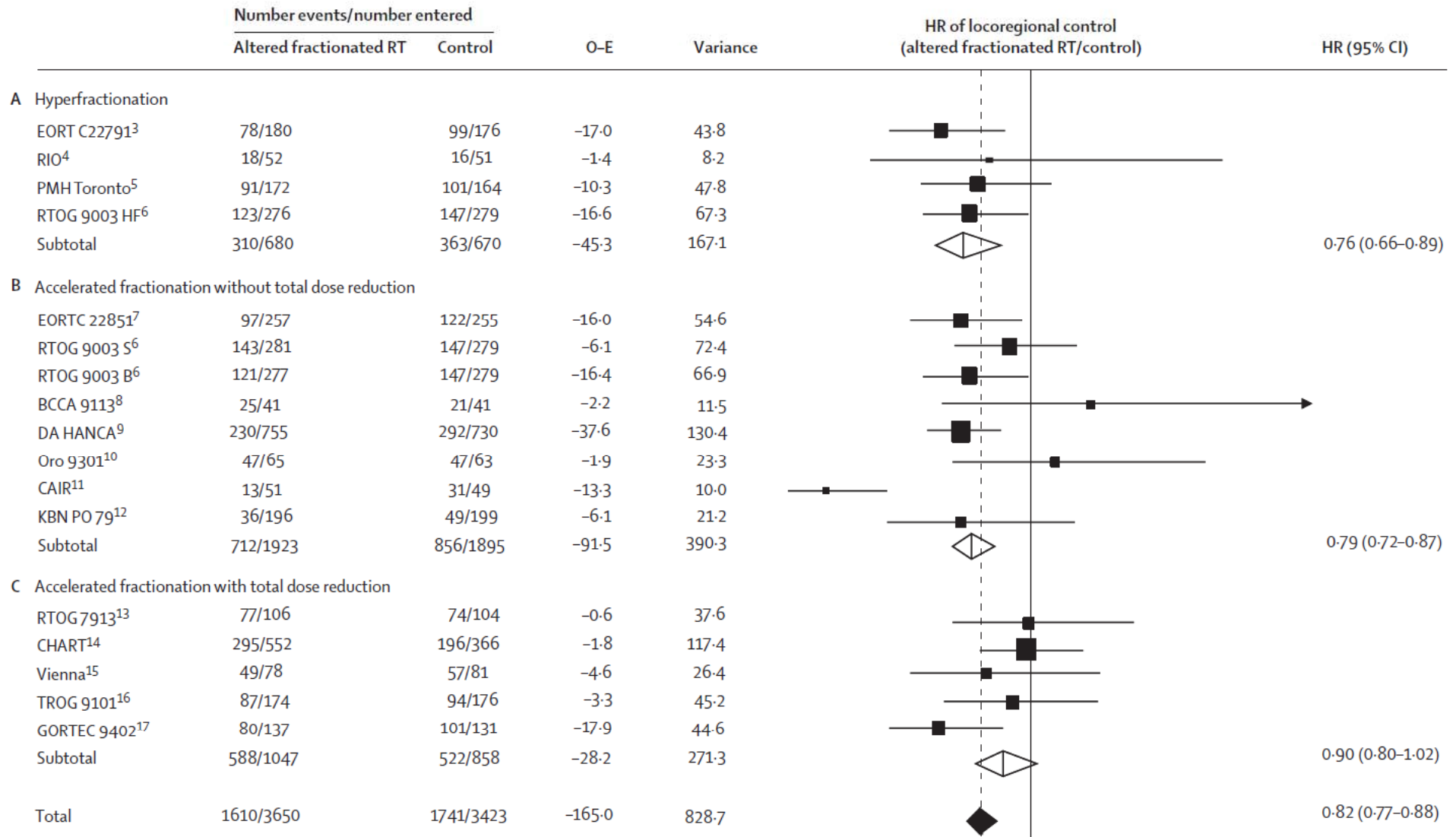


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Hyperfractionated or accelerated radiotherapy in head and neck cancer: a meta-analysis

Jean Bourhis, Jens Overgaard, H  l  ne Audry, Kian K Ang, Michele Saunders, Jacques Bernier, Jean-Claude Horiot, Aur  lie Le Ma  tre, Thomas F Pajak, Michael G Poulsen, Brian O'Sullivan, Werner Dobrowsky, Andrzej Hliniak, Krzysztof Skladowski, John H Hay, Luiz H J Pinto, Carlo Fallai, Karen K Fu, Richard Sylvester, Jean-Pierre Pignon, on behalf of the Meta-Analysis of Radiotherapy in Carcinomas of Head and neck (MARCH) Collaborative Group*

Loco-regional control



χ^2 test for heterogeneity $p=0.03$

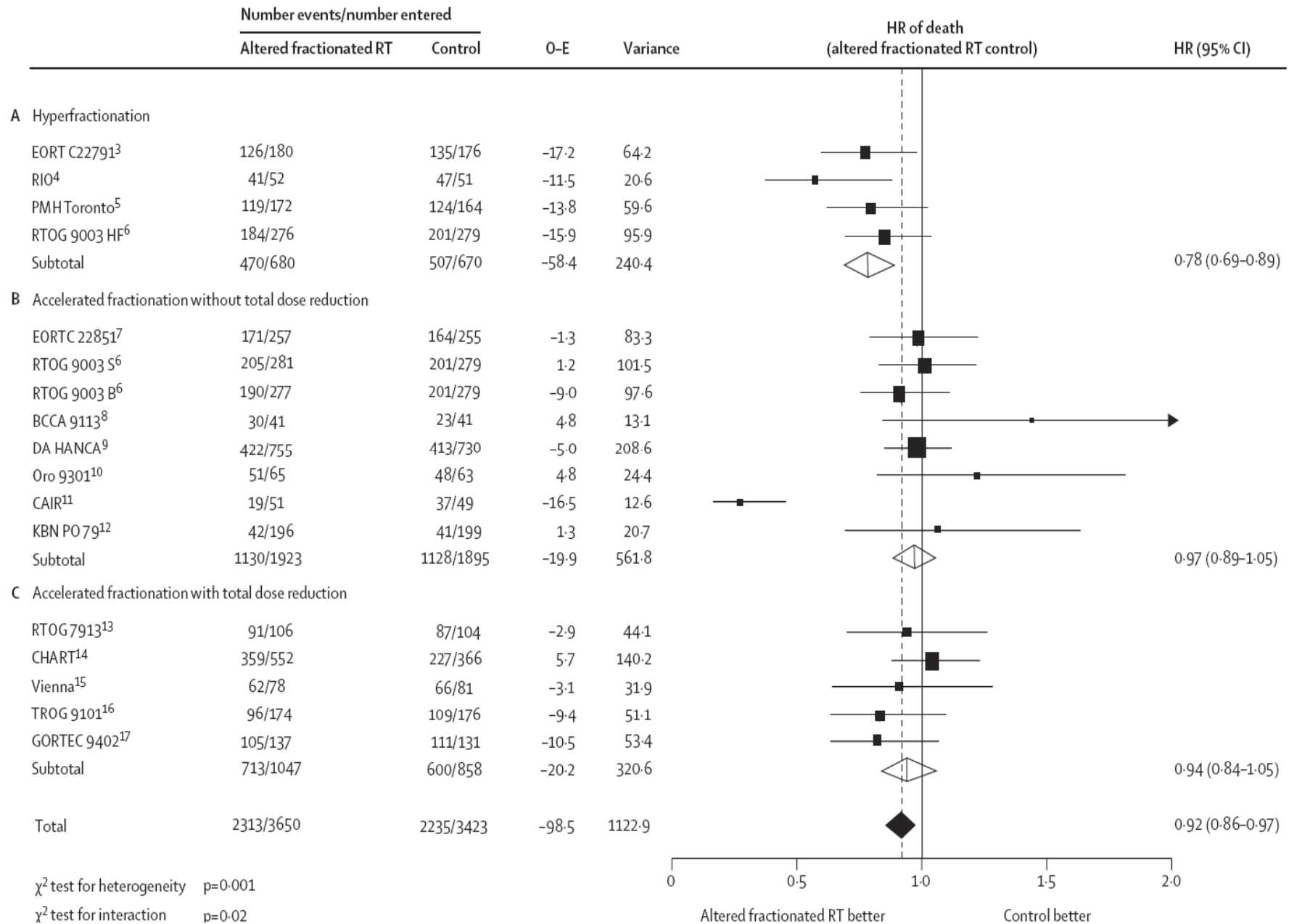
χ^2 test for interaction $p=0.15$

$I^2=44\%$

0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0
Altered fractionated RT better Control better

Altered fractionated RT effect with $p<0.0001$

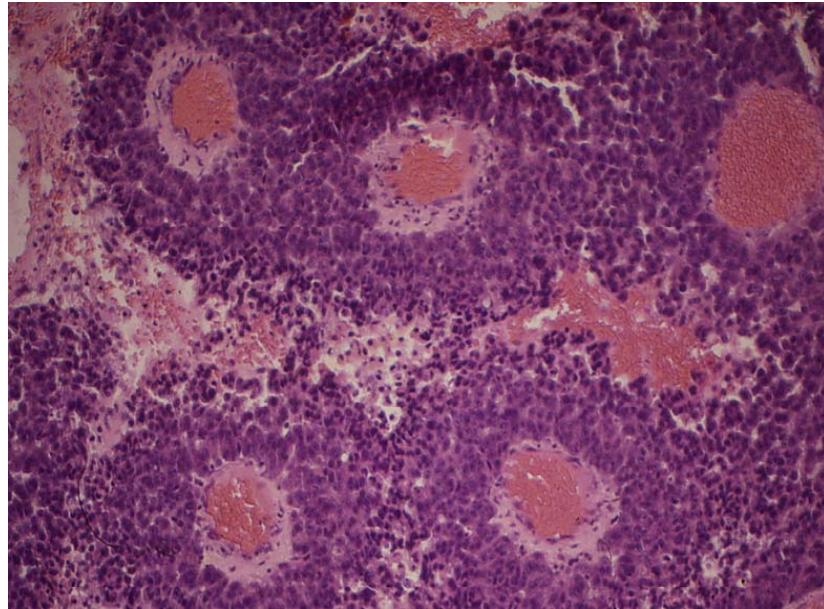
Survival



Conclusion - fractionation

- Awareness of the fractionation sensitivity of tumors and normal tissues is critical
- Clinical studies and meta-analysis have shown that moderately accelerated radiotherapy improves loco-regional control
- Hyperfractionated RT improves loco-regional control and survival
- Altered fractionation is thus recommended for primary radiotherapy of head and neck cancer

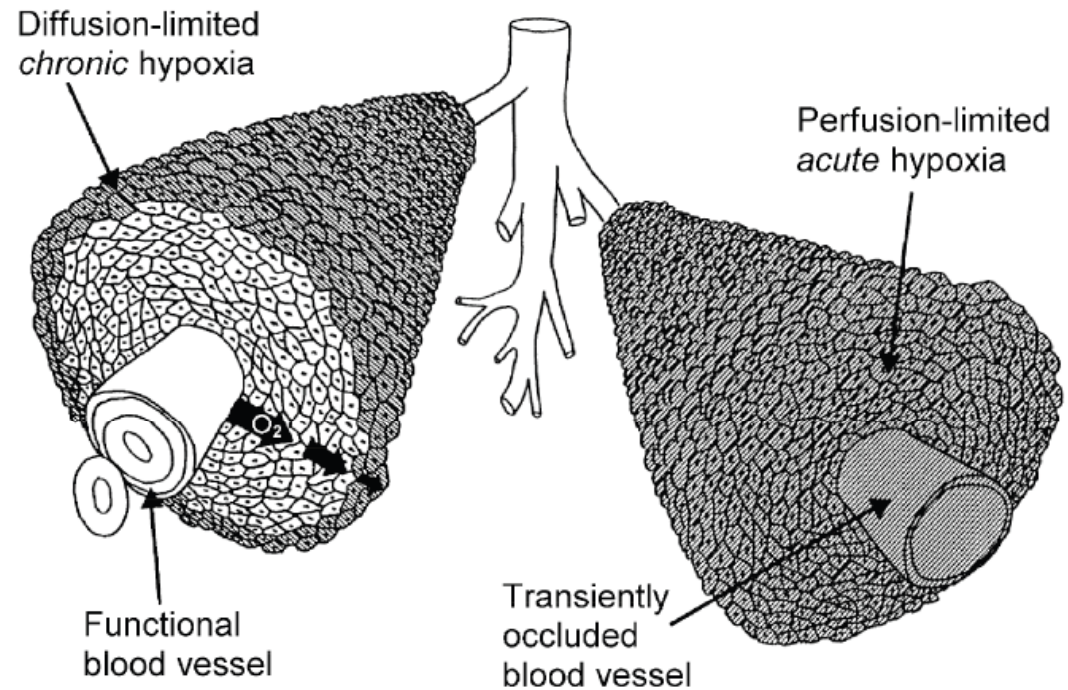
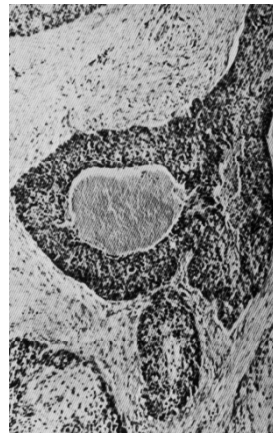
Hypoxia



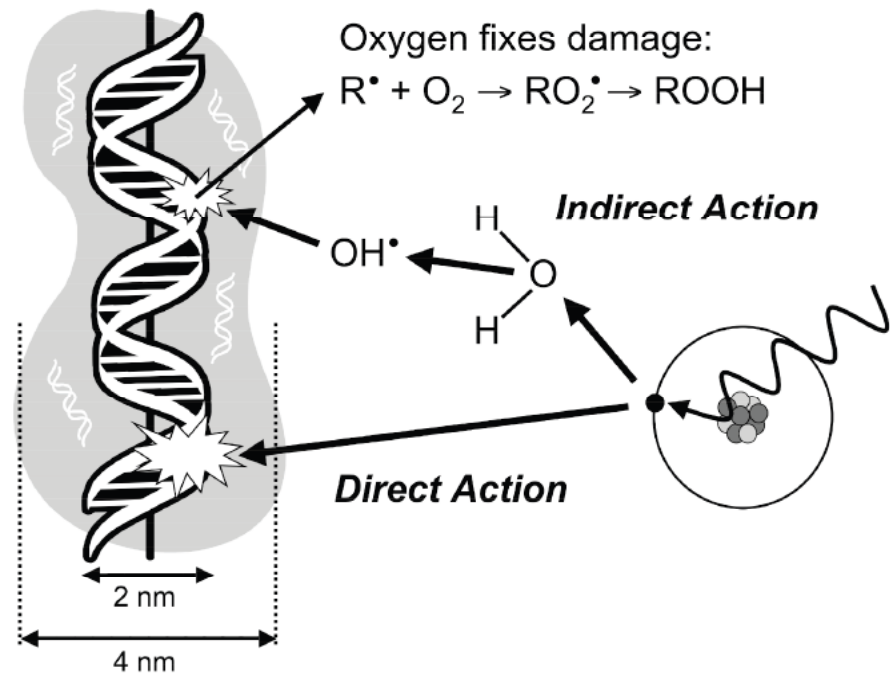
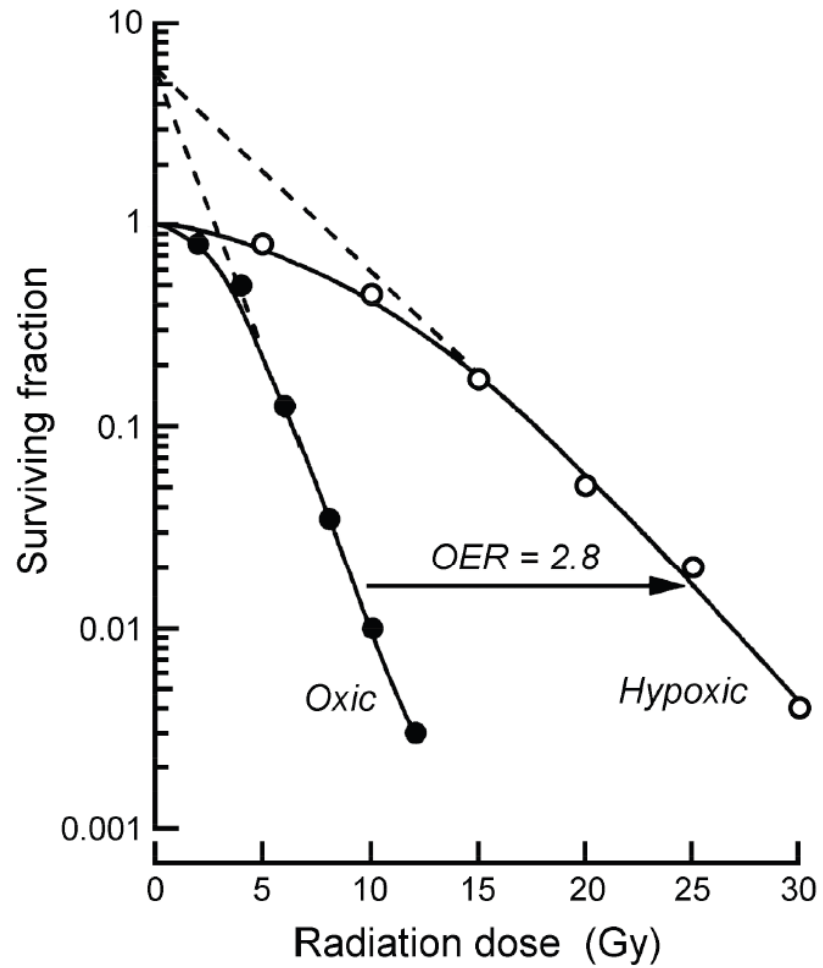
Hypoxia in human tumors

Thomlinson &
Gray 1955

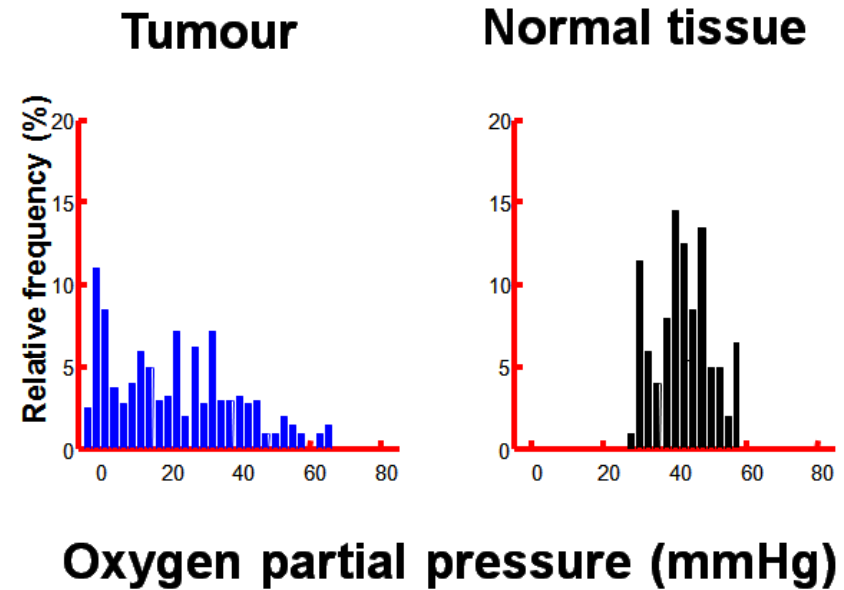
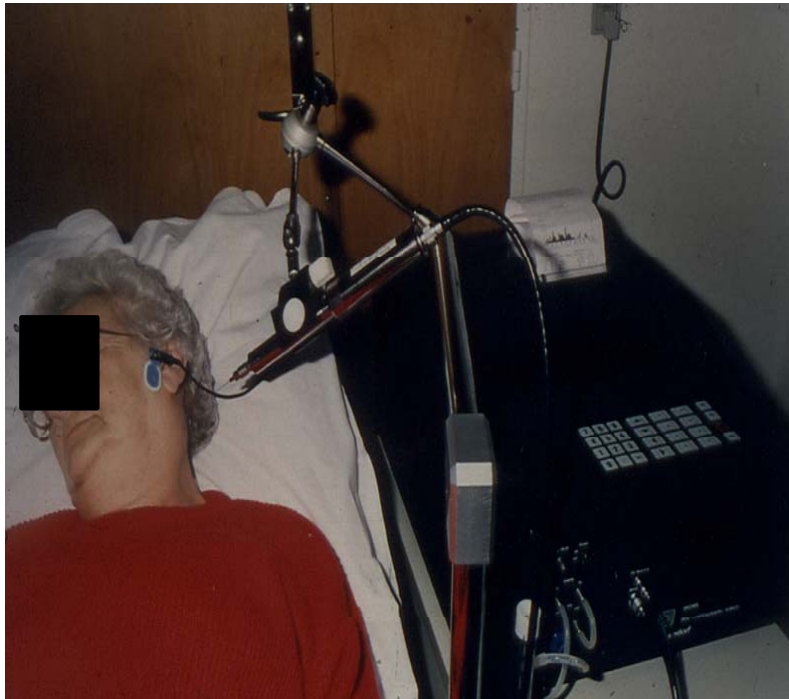
Cord structure
in lung cancer
(150 μm)



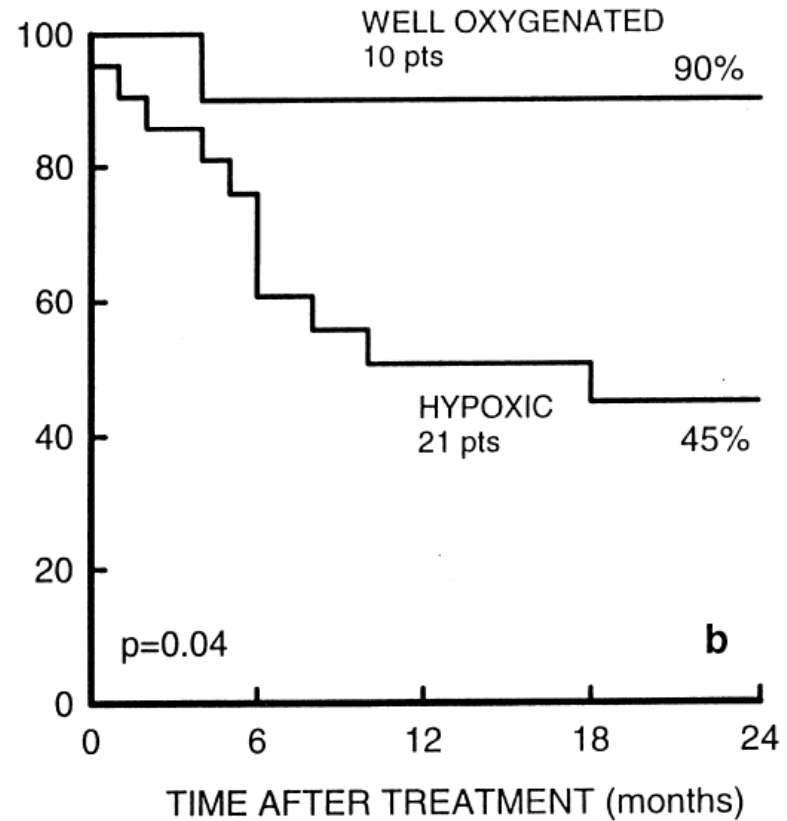
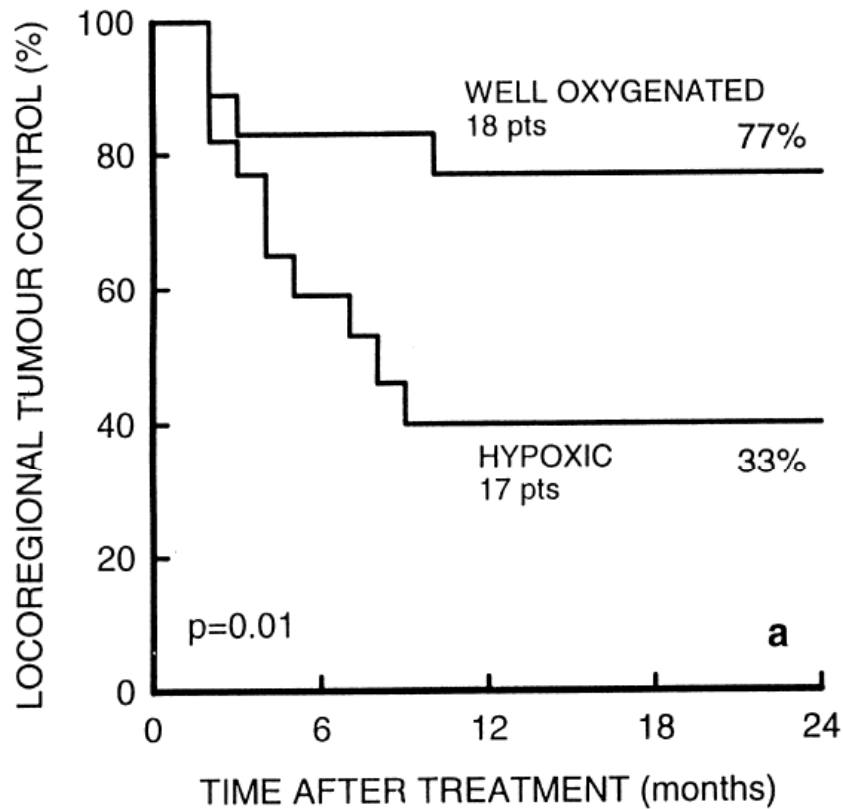
Oxygen effect



pO₂ measurement with Eppendorph electrode

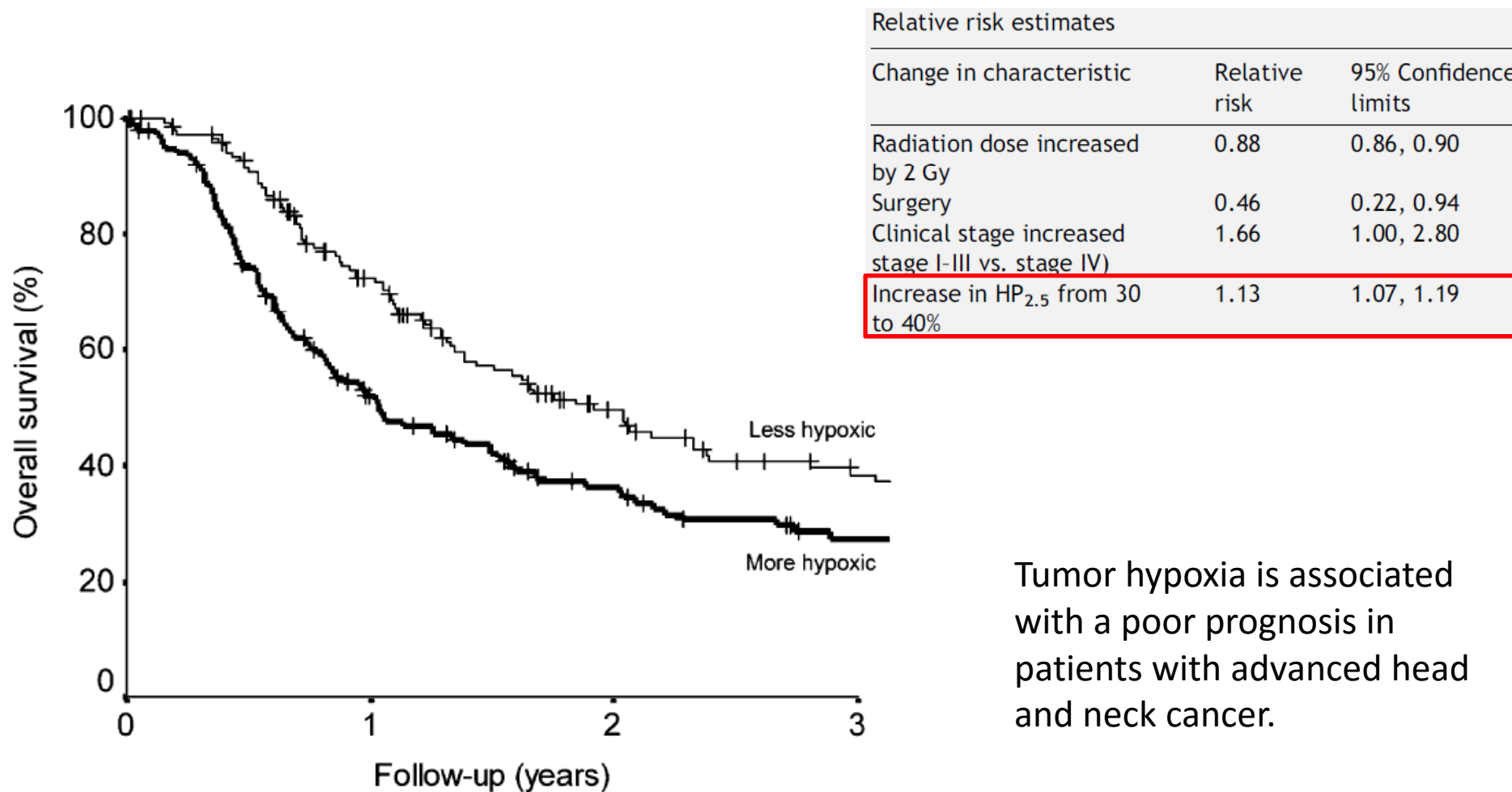


pO2 and loco-regional control



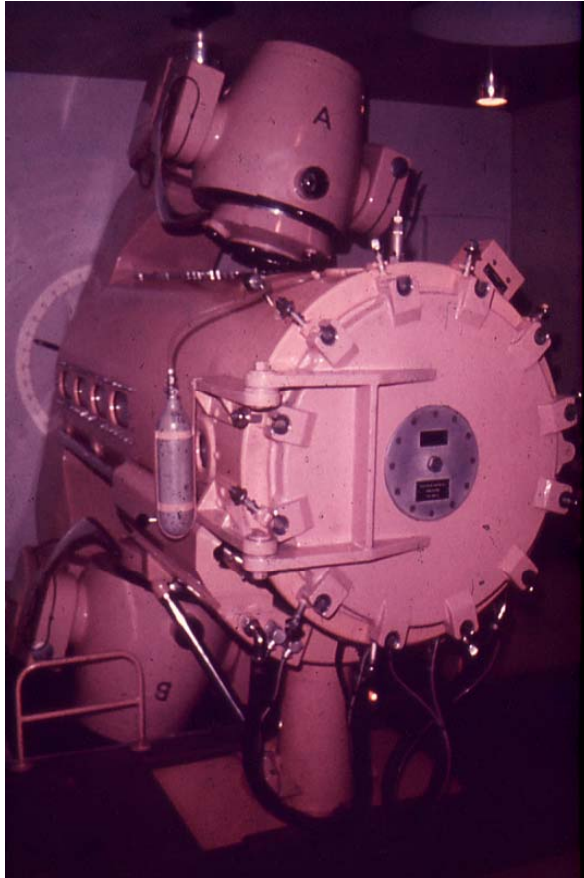
pO₂ and survival – pooled data

HN cancer, pooled data from 7 studies (n=397)



Tumor hypoxia is associated with a poor prognosis in patients with advanced head and neck cancer.

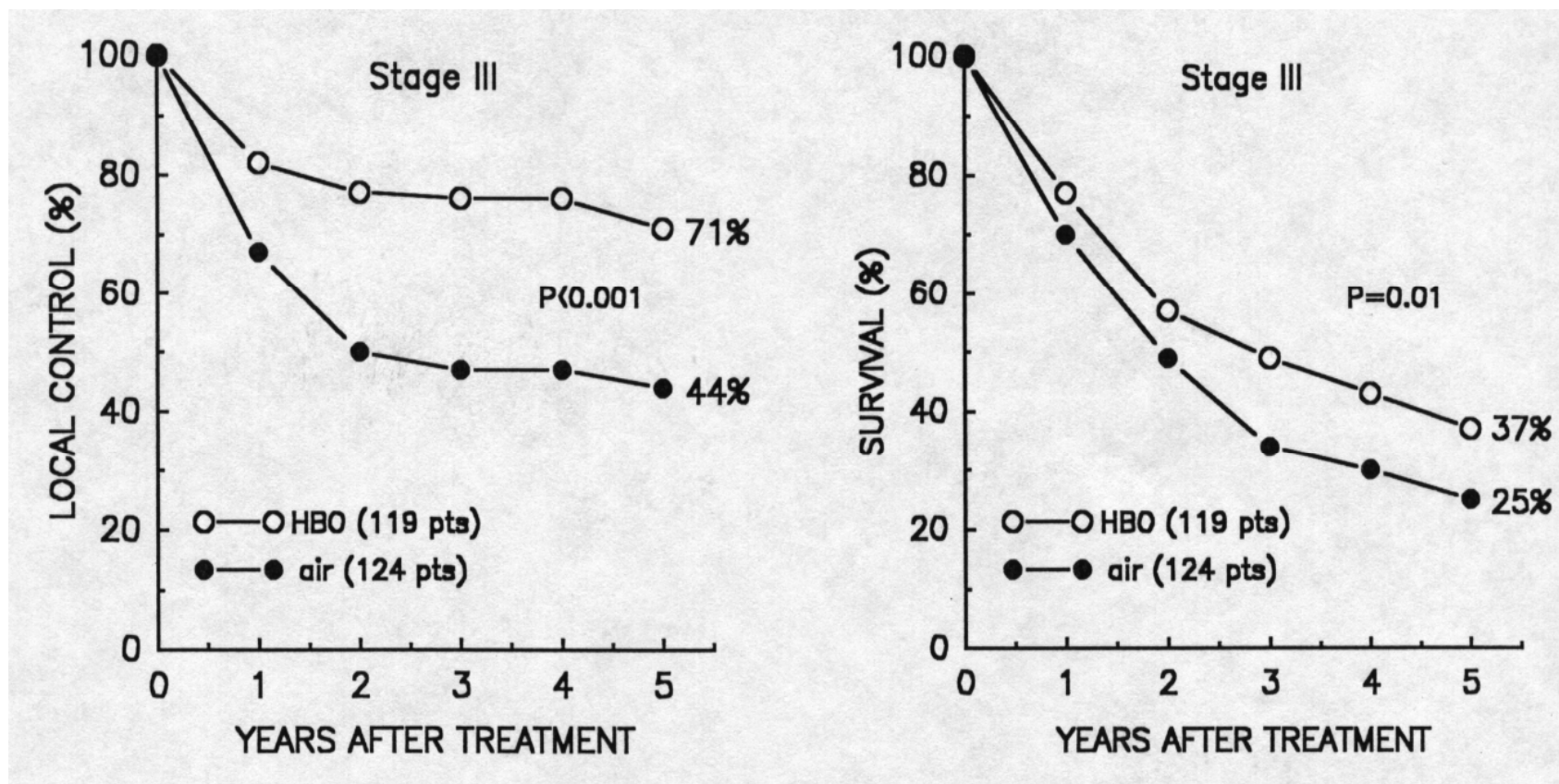
Hyperbaric oxygen



First hyperbaric oxygen treatment. 1955, St. Thomas' Hospital, London

Hyperbaric oxygen and radiotherapy

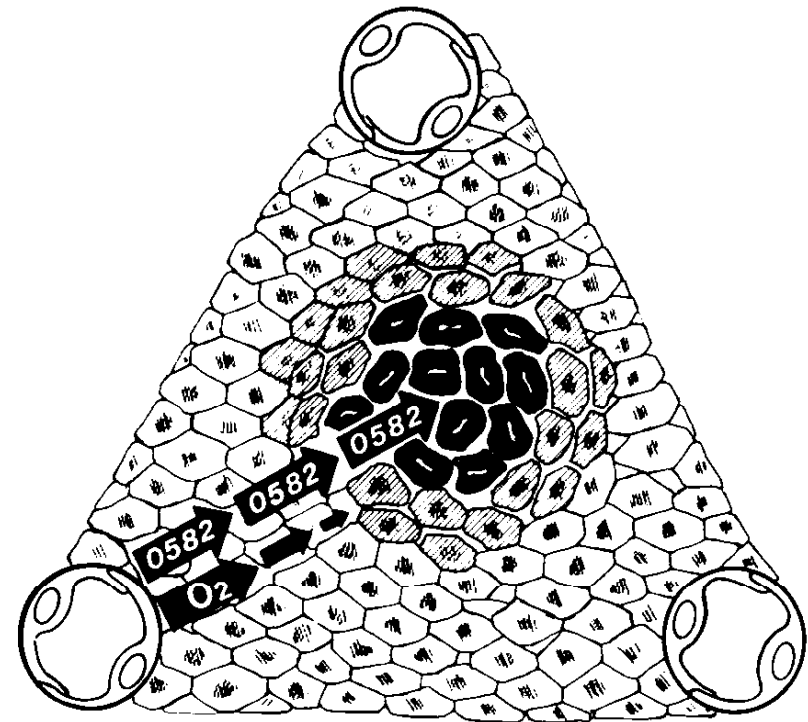
MRC trial (cervix)



Watson *et al.* (1978).

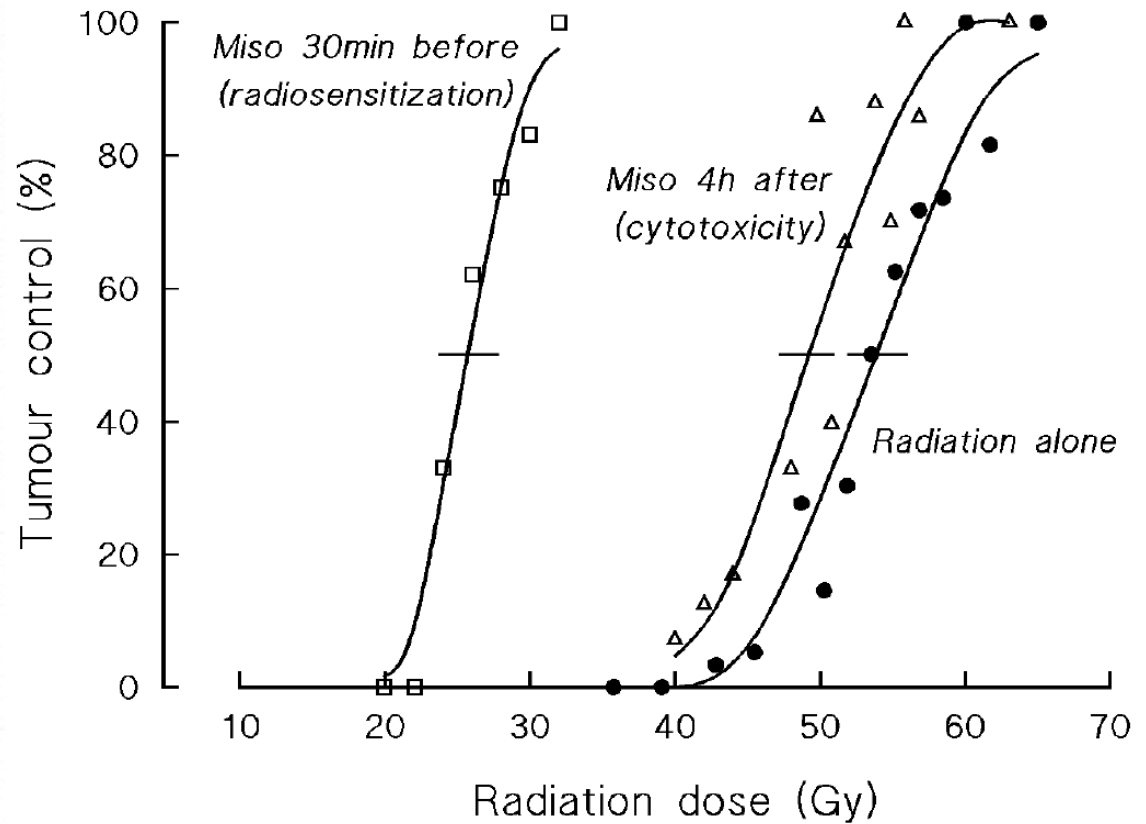
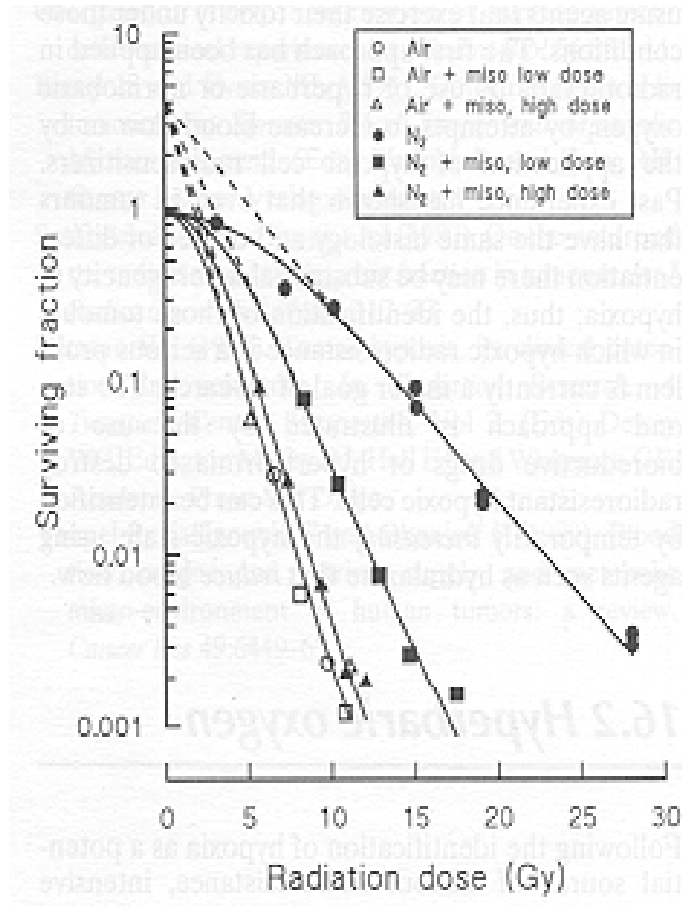
Hypoxic cell radiosensitizers

A drug which selectively sensitizes hypoxic cells to the effect of ionizing irradiation by mimicking the role of oxygen in radiation damage fixation



- AERATED CELL
- ▨ HYPOXIC VIABLE CELL
- ANOXIC NECROTIC CELL

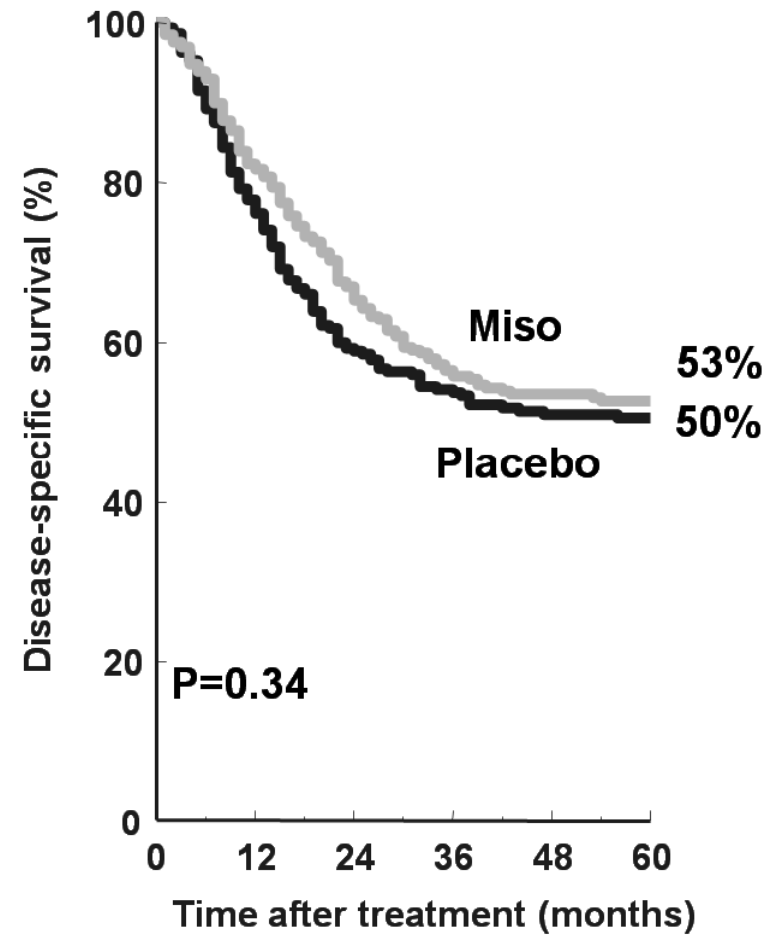
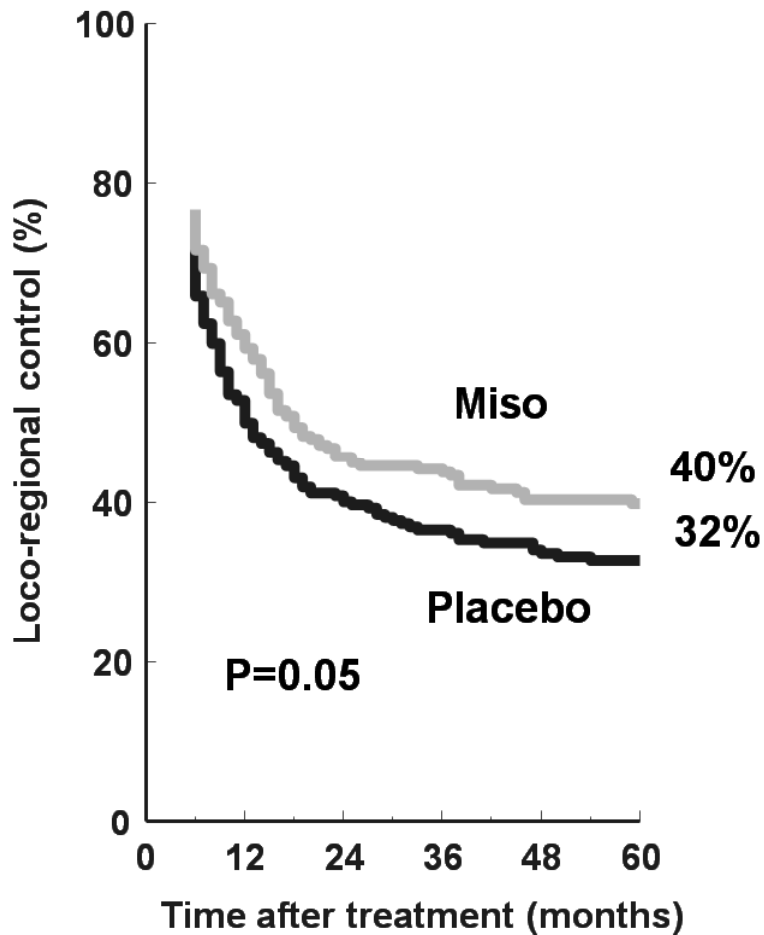
Hypoxic cell radiosensitizers: misonidazole



DAHANCA 2

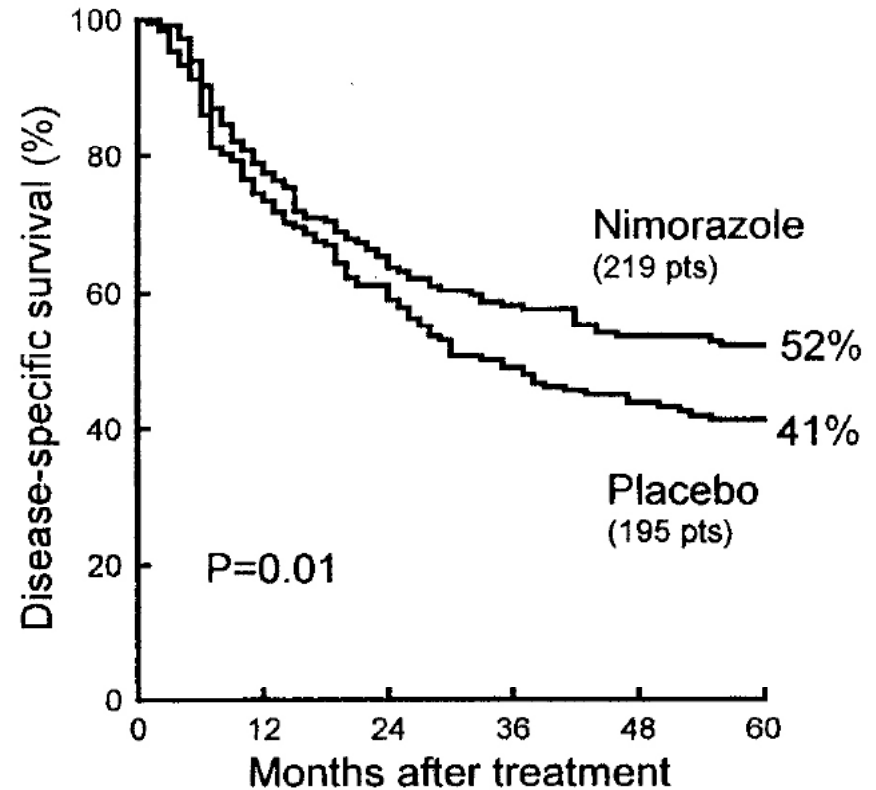
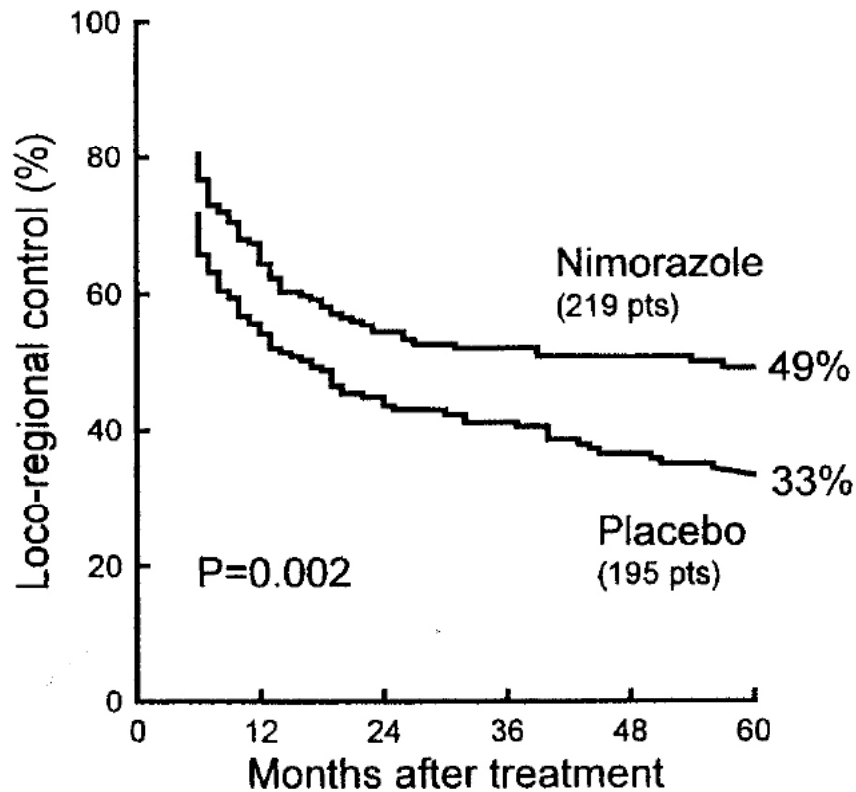
LARYNX AND PHARYNX - 622 pts.

MISONIDAZOLE vs PLACEBO (66 Gy/ 33 fx - 9.5 wk, split-course)



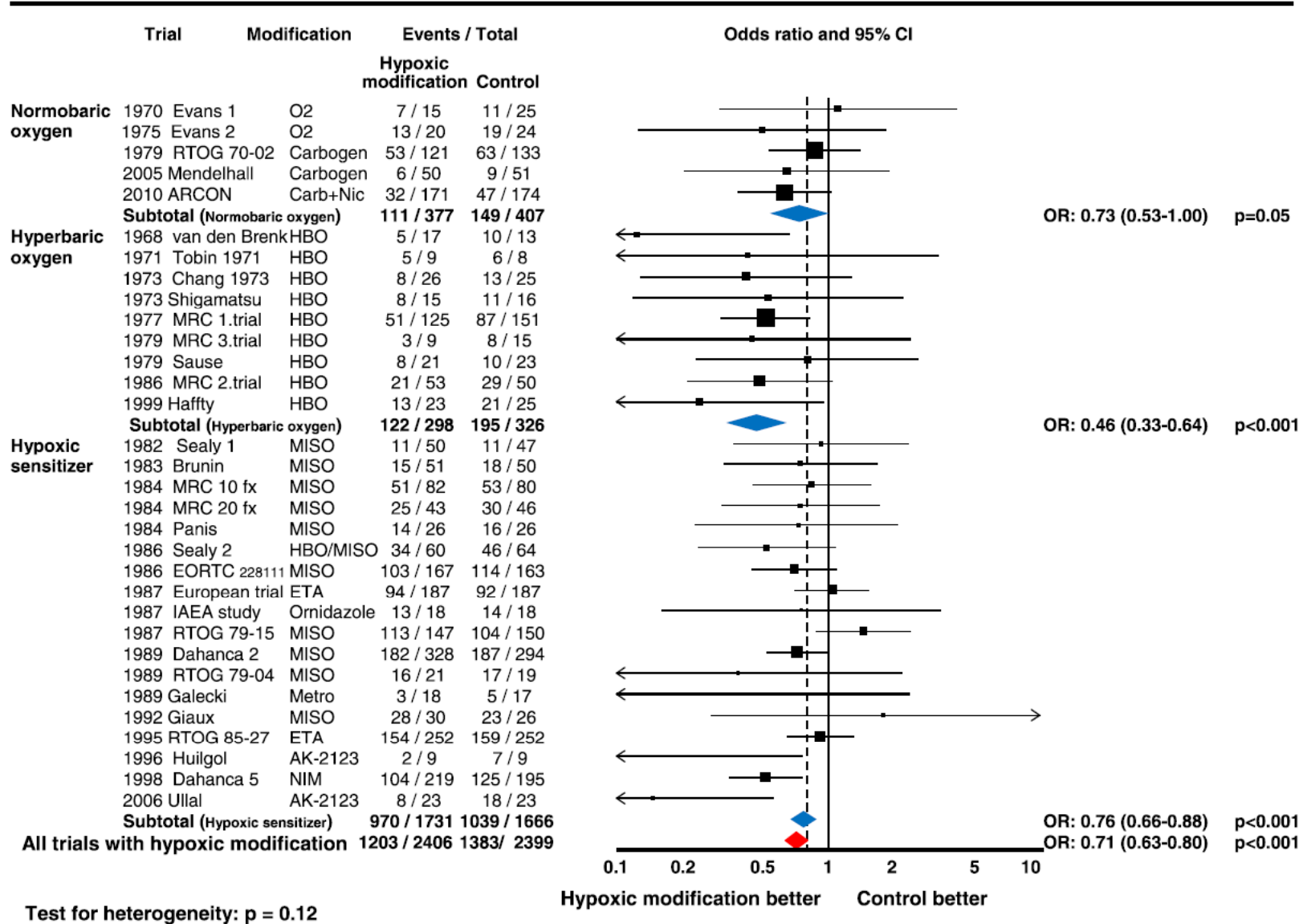
DAHANCA 5

SUPRAGLOTTIC AND PHARYNX - 414 pts.
NIMORAZOLE vs PLACEBO (66 Gy/ 33 fx - 6.5 wk)



Since 1991 nimorazole has been standard for all HN SCC patients undergoing primary radiotherapy in Denmark.

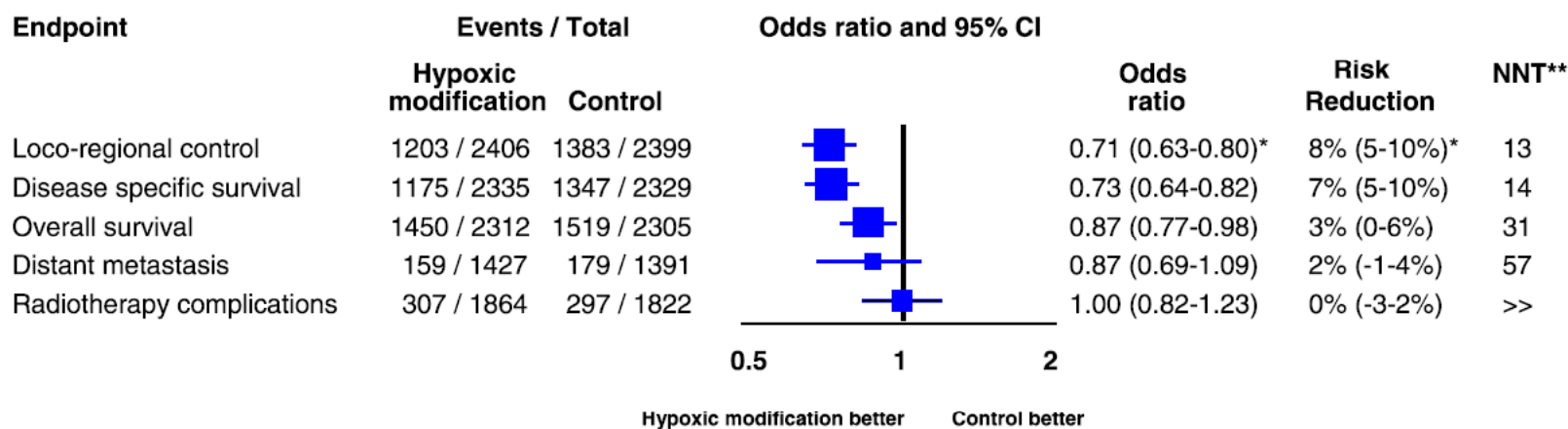
Endpoint: Loco-regional failure



Hypoxic modification – meta-analysis

4805 patients; 32 randomized clinical trials – Overgaard 2011

Head and neck cancer - meta analysis - summary



**Hypoxic modification works
 - but is it relevant for all patients?**

Overgaard J. Hypoxic modification of radiotherapy in squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck – A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Radiother Oncol (2011)

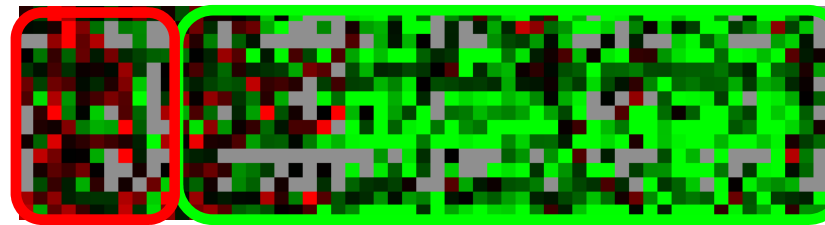
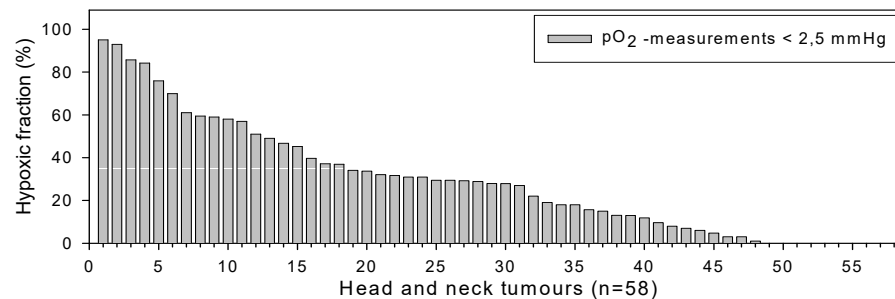
Hypoxia-classification

15-gene hypoxia classifier

- Based on hypoxia induced genes (in vitro/in vivo validated)
- Classification based on gene expression similarity to either "more" or "less" hypoxic tumours as estimated with pO₂-electrode in an independent trainingset of 58 H&N cancer patients



Toustrup K et al,
Cancer Res; 71(17);
5923-31, 2011



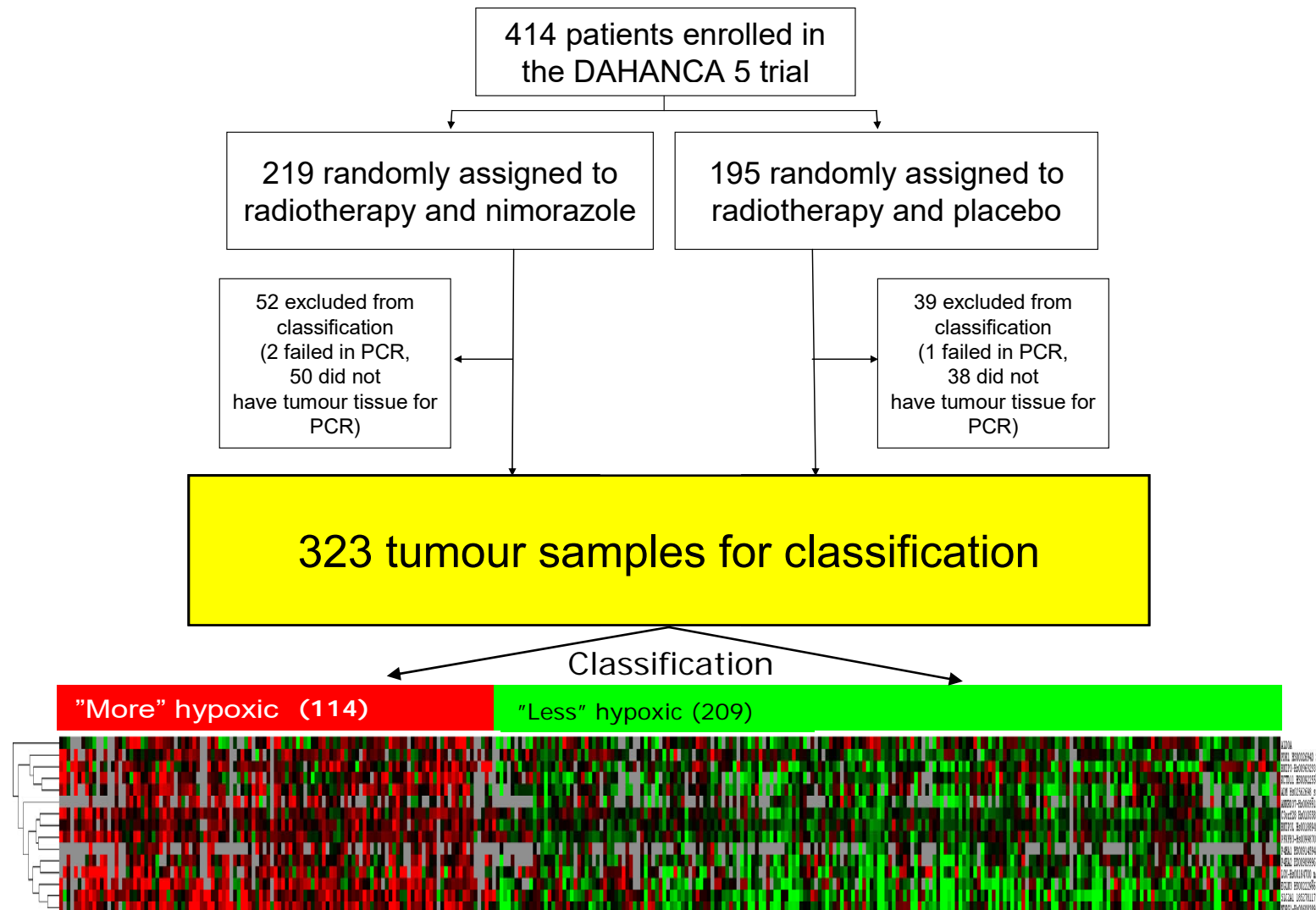
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More
Hypoxic

Less
Hypoxic

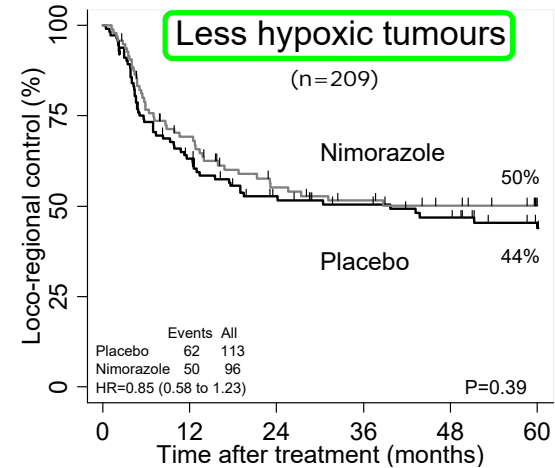
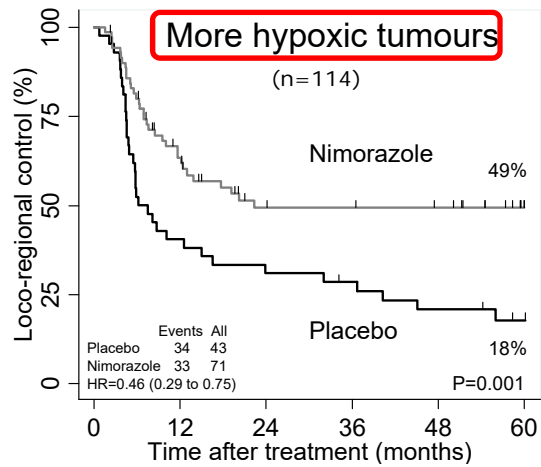
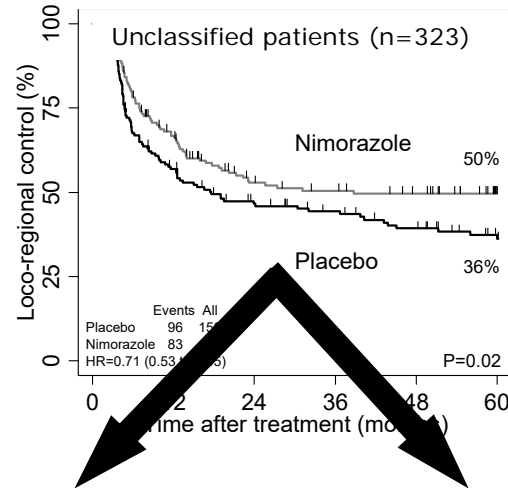
Validating the hypoxia classifier

Independent clinical dataset



Hypoxia-classification

15-gene hypoxia classifier



EORTC/DAHANCA 29 randomized phase III

Role of Nimorazole in chemo-radiation of HPV neg HNSCC

LARYNX, PHARYNX*

* Except NPC

HPVneg (p16); Stage 3-4 (T2-4,N0-3)

Stratify:

Stage

Site

Inst.

Hypox.

Gene profile

(retro-spective)

RANDOMIZE

Accl RT(6 fx/wk) +cisPI

640 patients – (>200 with positive hypoxic gene profile).
Pivotal trial to establish the true indication of Nimorazole in
Chemoradiotherapy of advanced HNSCC and the value of the hypoxic
gene profile

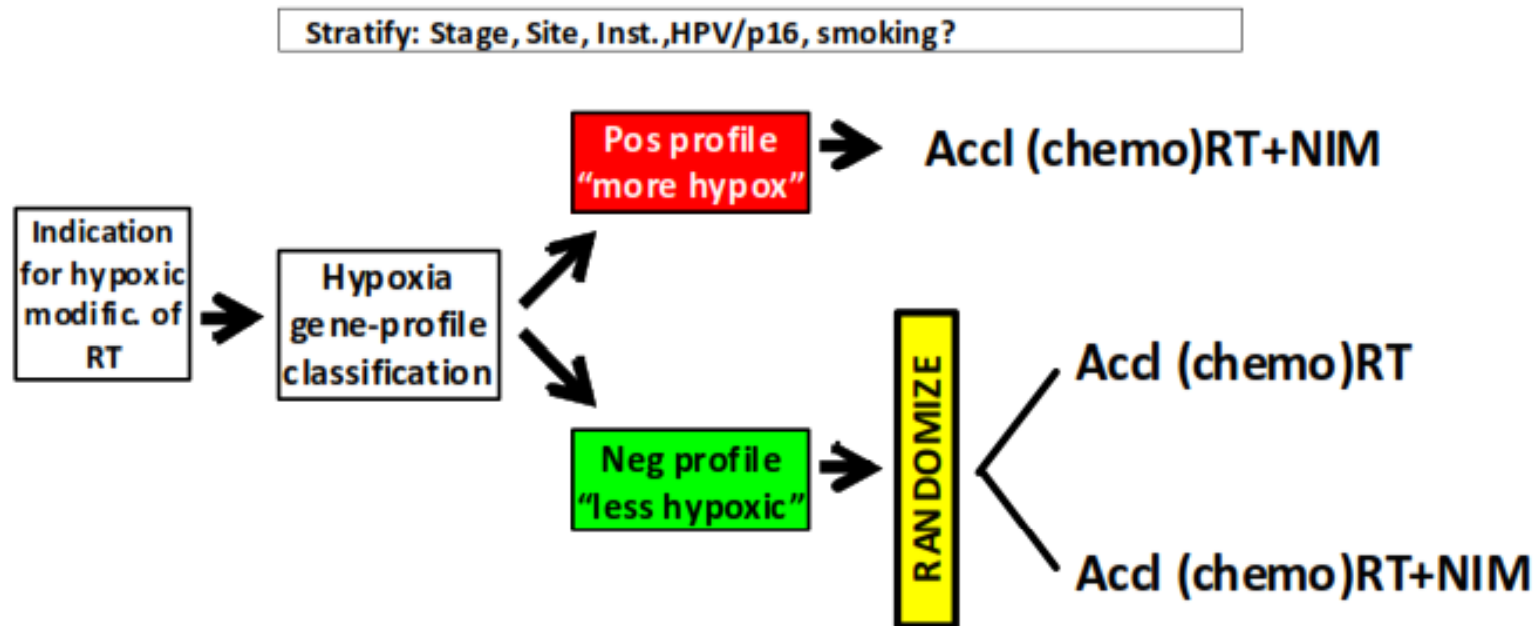
Accl RT(6 fx/wk) +cisPI

+ Nimorazole (1.2 g/m²)

DAHANCA randomized phase III-trial

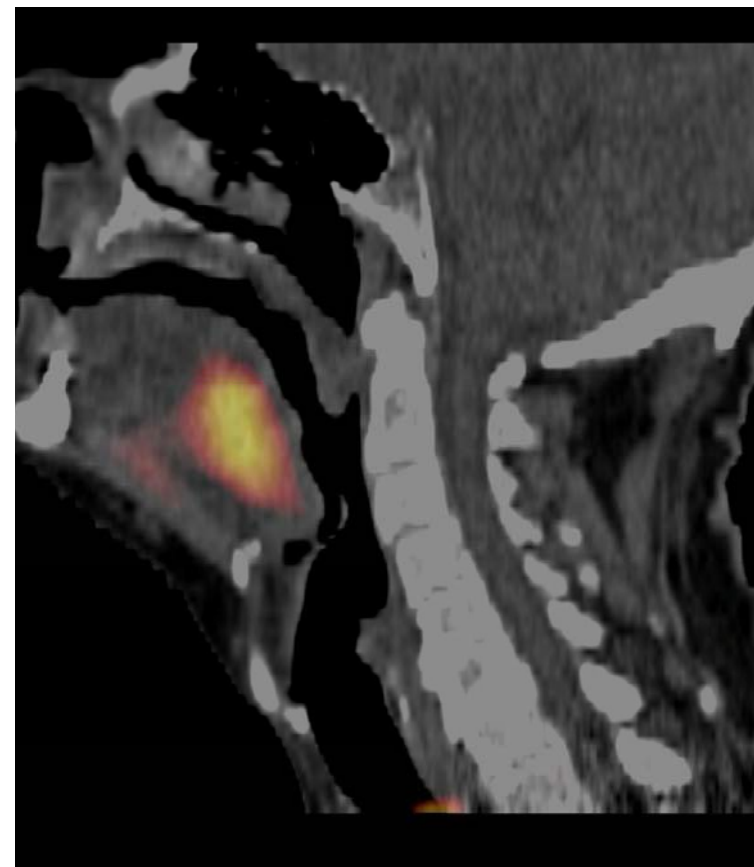
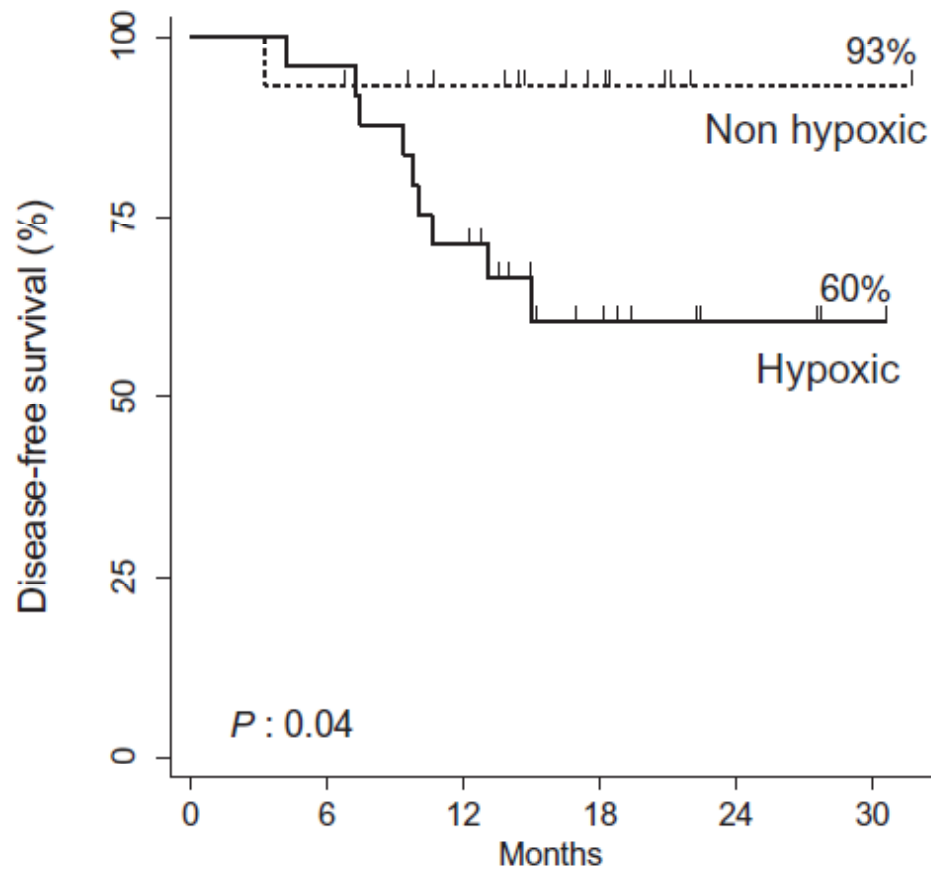
DAHANCA 30 randomized phase III

Evaluation of the hypoxic-gene profile
to predict benefit of hypoxic modification of radiotherapy in HNSCC



1350 patients – (>450 with positive hypoxic gene profile):
Can detect a difference of >5 % between the 2 “neg” arms

FAZA-PET

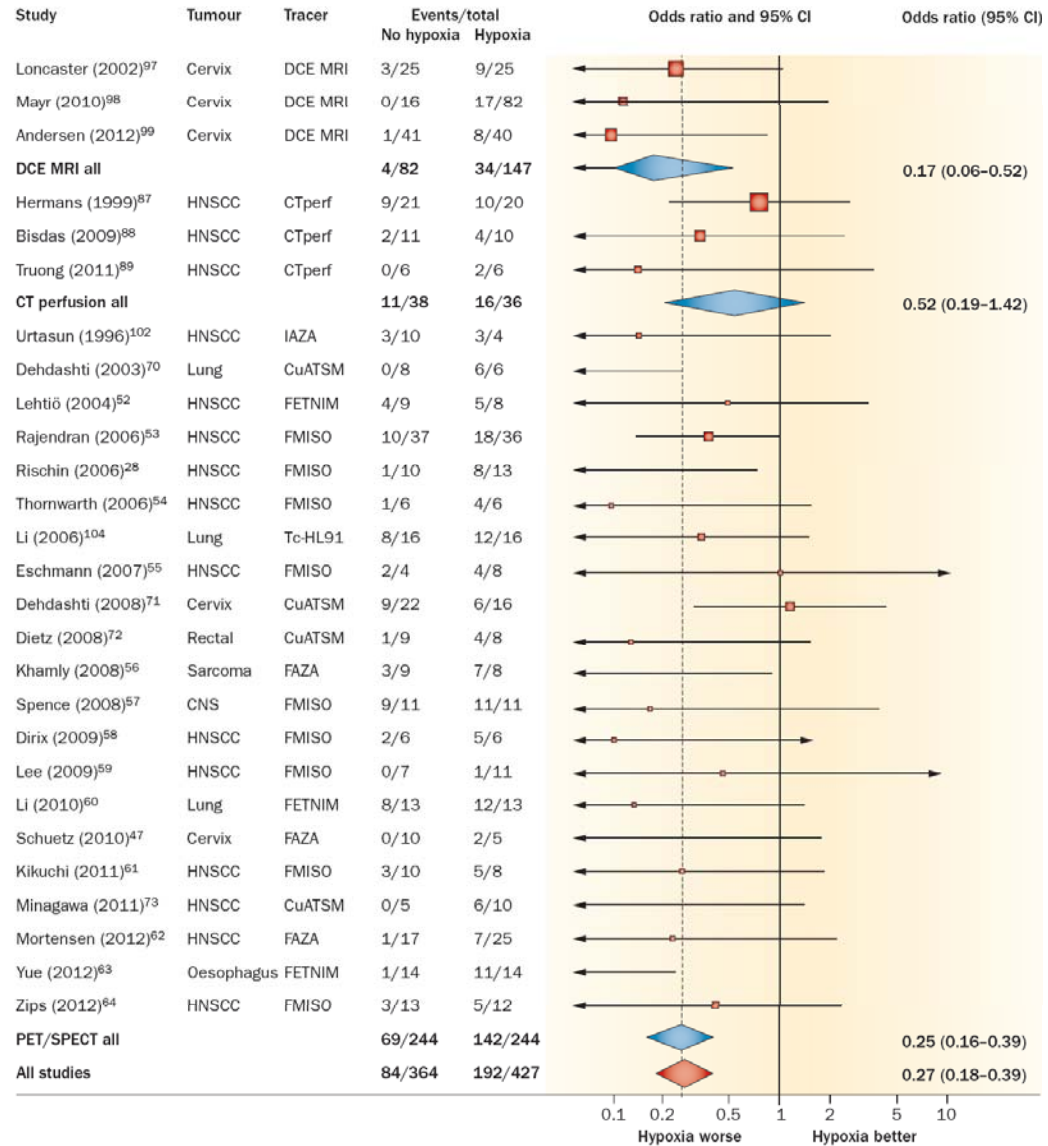


Pts at risk:

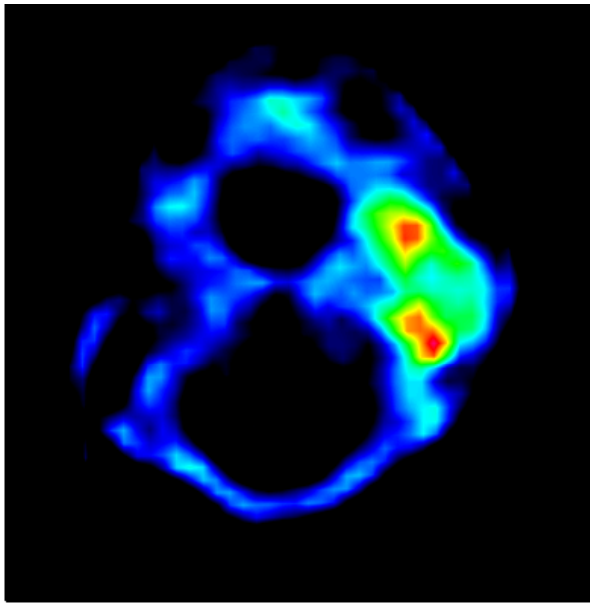
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| Non hypoxic: | 15 | 14 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Hypoxic: | 25 | 24 | 17 | 8 | 3 | 1 |

Pre-treatment hypoxia imaging with CT-perfusion, DCE-MRI and PET is prognostic for outcome of HN RT

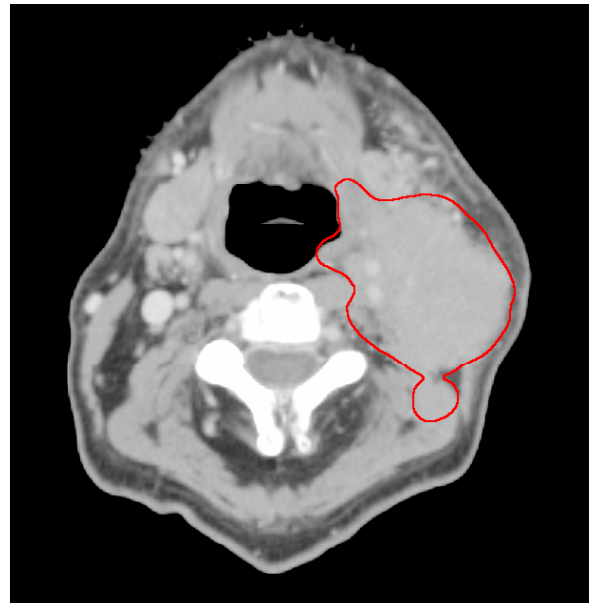
Prognostic....
Not Predictive



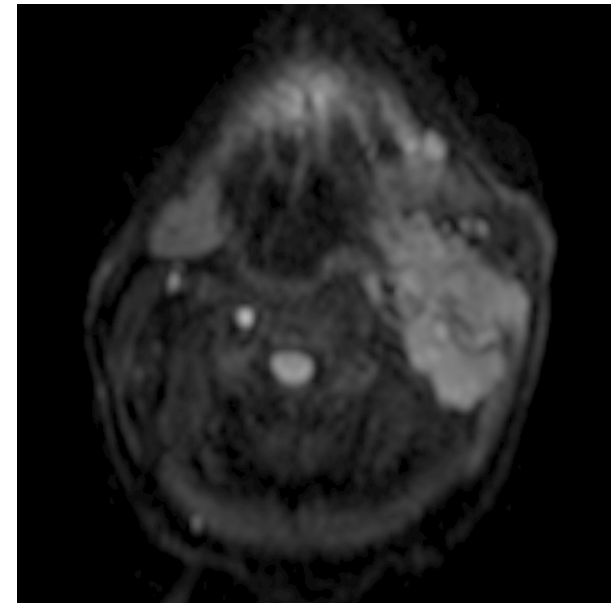
Horsman, M. R. *et al. Nat. Rev. Clin. Oncol.* 9, 674-687 (2012)



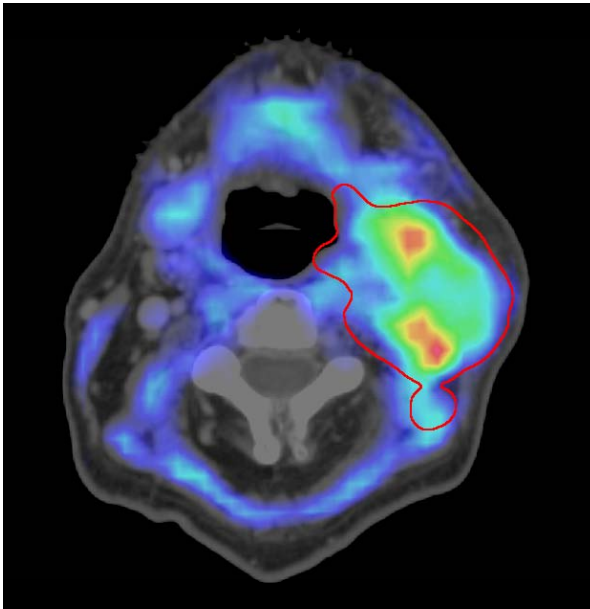
F-AZA PET



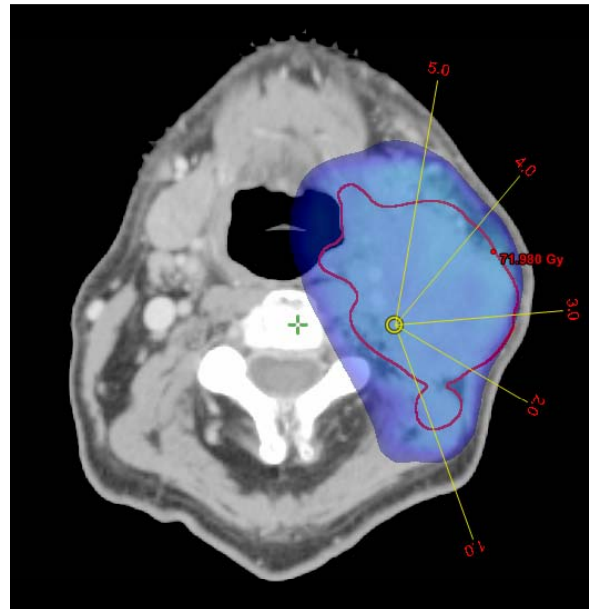
CT with GTV outlined



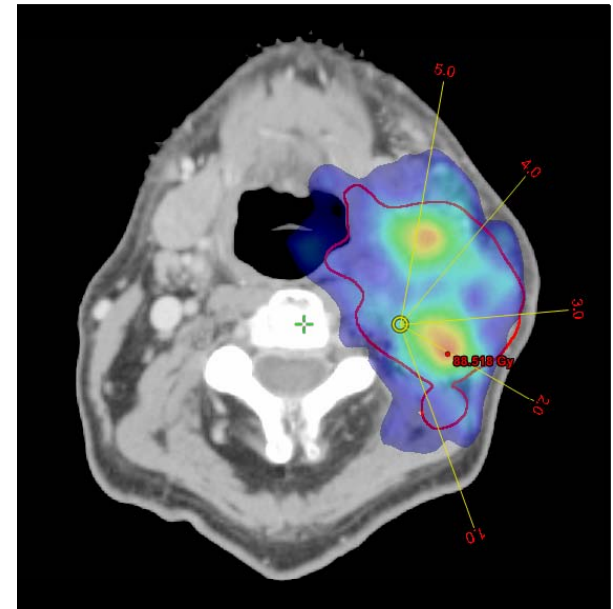
Diffusion weighted MRI



FAZA PET-CT



IMRT



Hypoxic dosepaint IMRT

Conclusions – hypoxia

- A significant proportion of HN squamous cell carcinomas contains hypoxic regions
- Patients with hypoxic tumours have poorer loco-regional control and survival
- Hypoxic modification (sensitizers, HBO, hypoxic cytotoxins) during RT results in improved loco-regional control and survival
- Predictive assays, hypoxic imaging and dosepainting is emerging but still investigational

Systemic therapy



Rationale for combining radiotherapy and systemic therapy

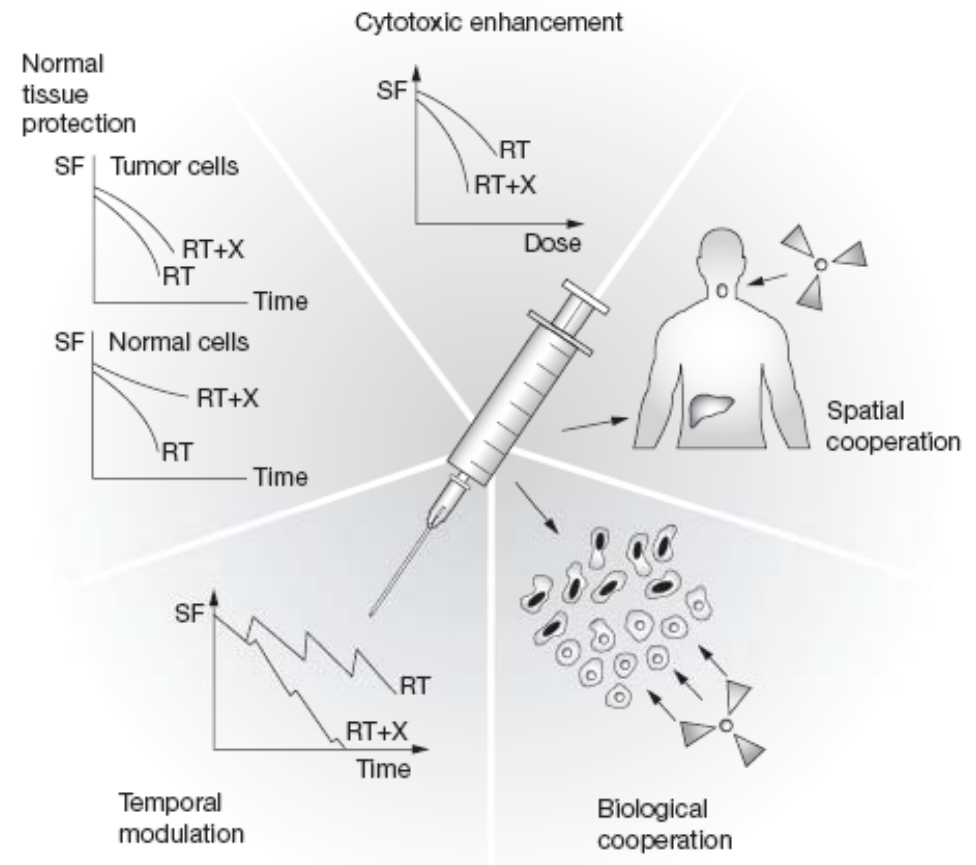
Spatial cooperation

Cytotoxic enhancement

Biological cooperation

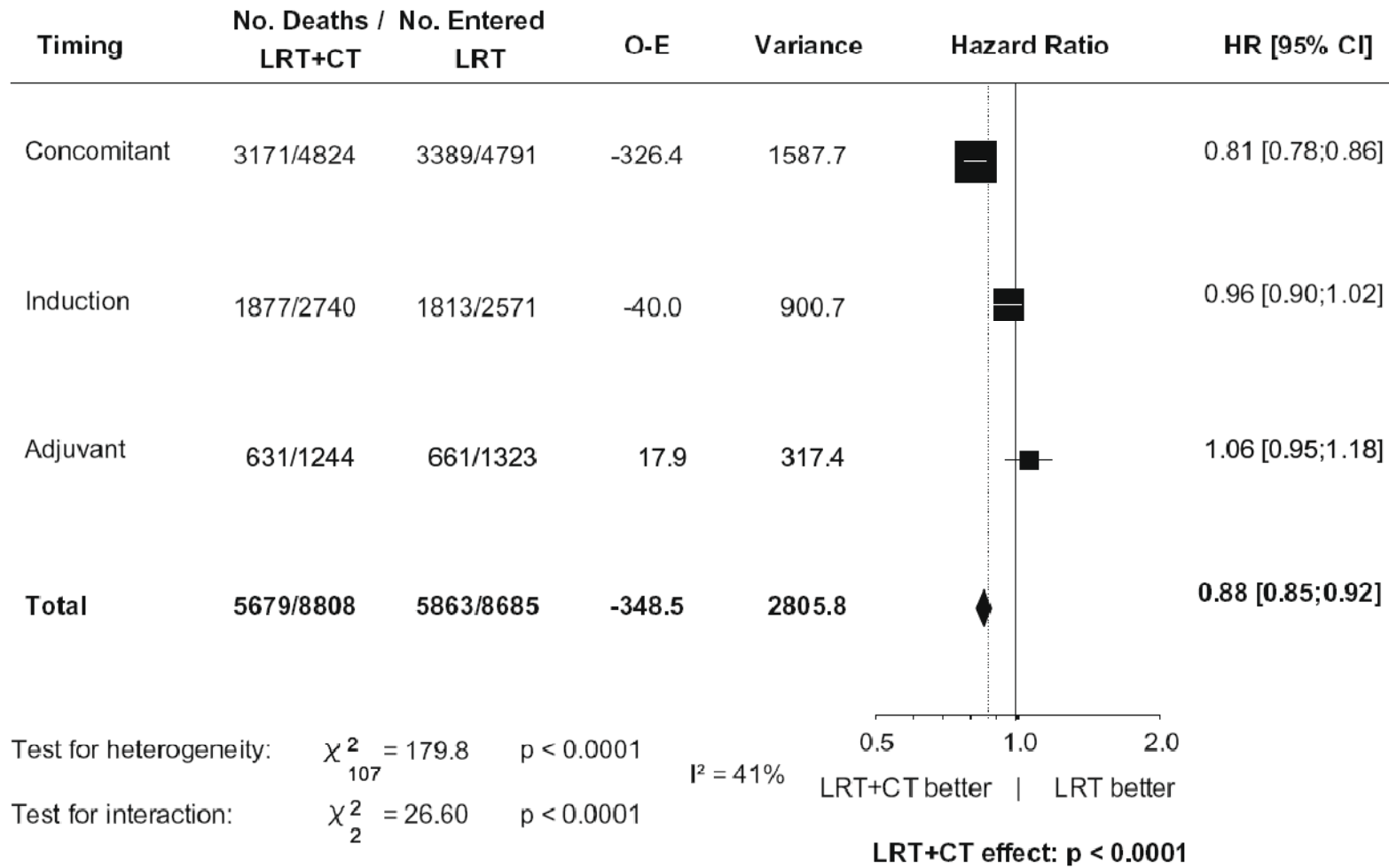
Temporal modulation

Normal tissue protection

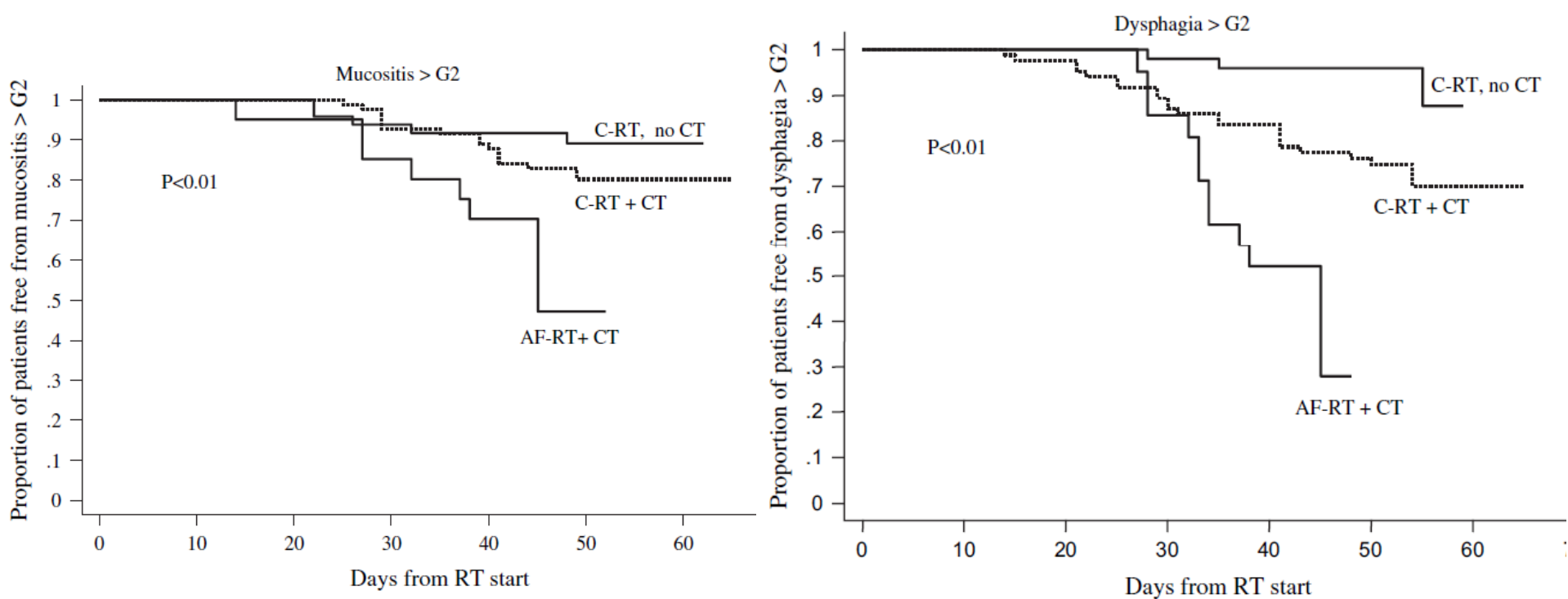


Meta-analysis II 2009

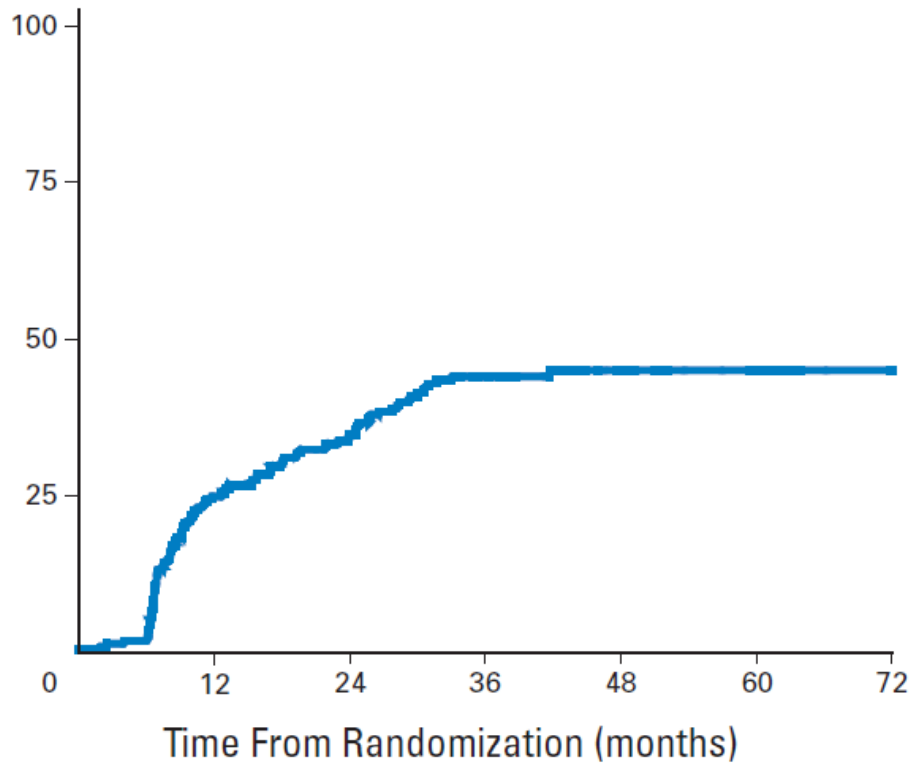
HR of death



Acute toxicity



Late morbidity



Analysis of 3 RTOG trial with C-RT
(RTOG 91-11, 97-03, and 99-14)

230 patients

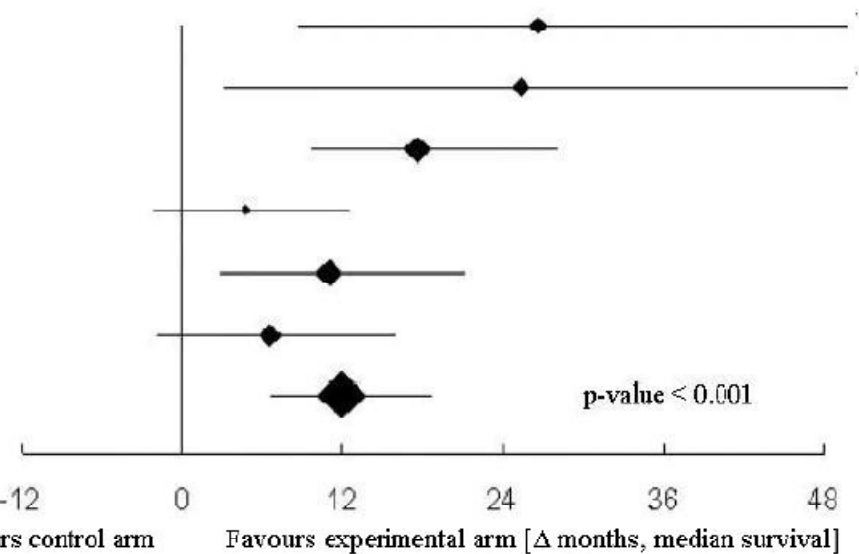
43% severe late morbidity

40% laryngeal/pharyngeal dysfunction

13% tube feeding >2 years after RT

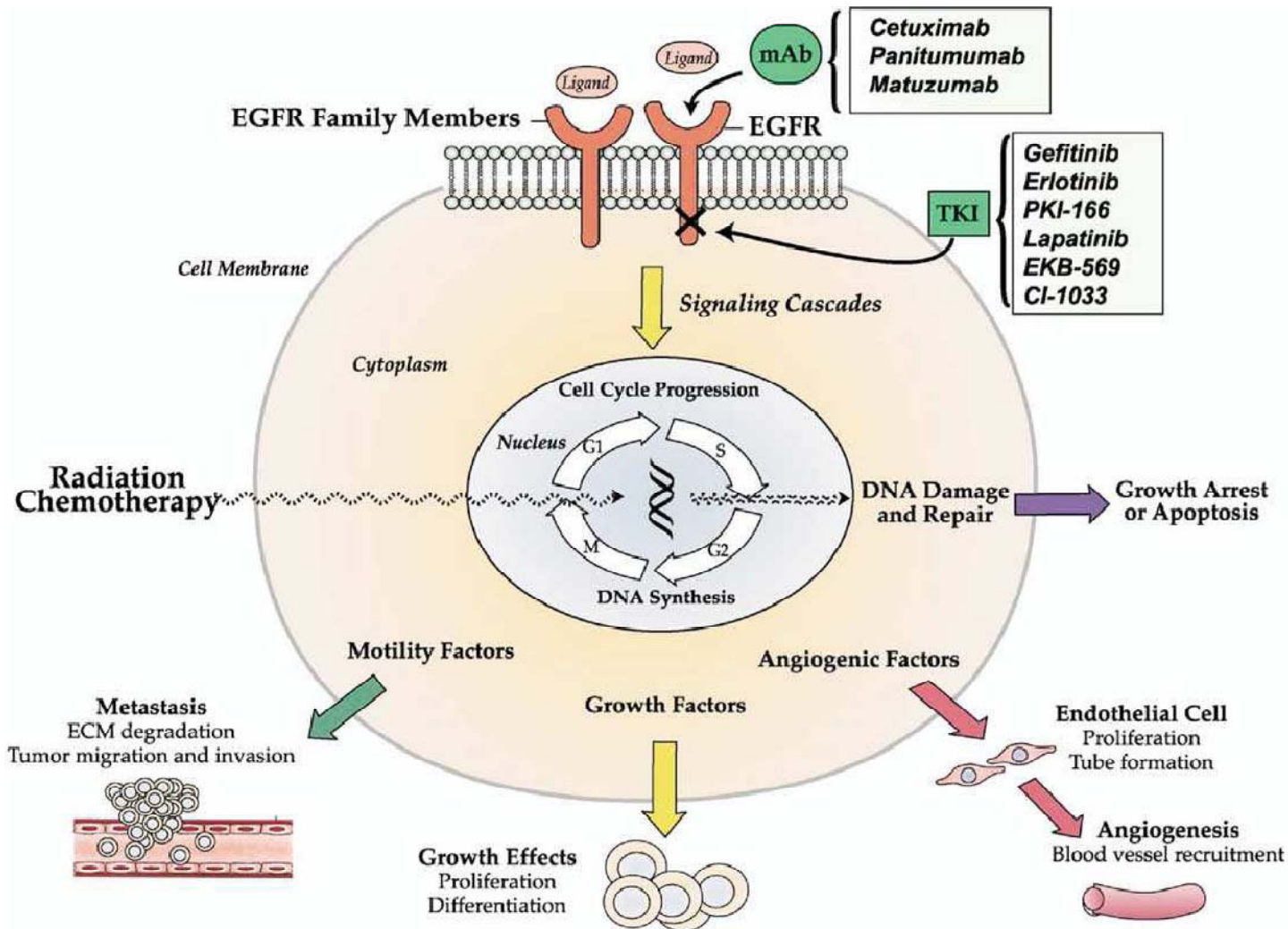
Unconventional fractionation ± concurrent chemo

| publication | delta 2 year OS [%] | delta months | LCL | UCL | N weight |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------|------|------|----------|
| Jeremic [33] | +21.6 | 26.6 | 8.6 | 52.9 | 130 |
| Brizel [34] | +18.1 | 25.3 | 3.1 | 62.0 | 116 |
| Wendt [35] | +25.1 | 17.7 | 9.8 | 28.0 | 270 |
| Staar [36] | +7.8 | 4.9 | -2.1 | 12.7 | 240 |
| Dobrowsky [37] | +17.6 | 11.0 | 2.8 | 21.3 | 161 |
| Budach [12] | +6.8 | 6.6 | -2.0 | 16.1 | 384 |
| total | 14.7 (8.9-20.3)* | 12.0 | 6.7 | 18.8 | 1301 |



Test for heterogeneity: variance 0.60 mean(sq) 0.58 chi-square 1.05 p 0.959

EGFR



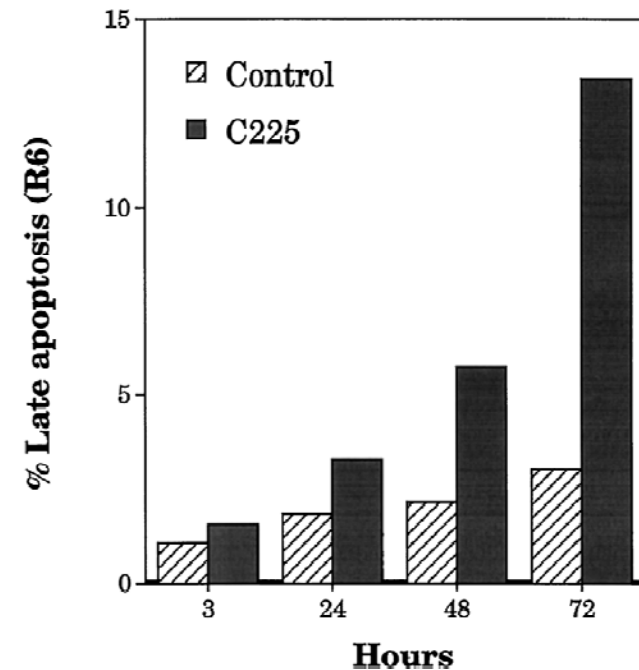
RT + EGFR inhibition synergies



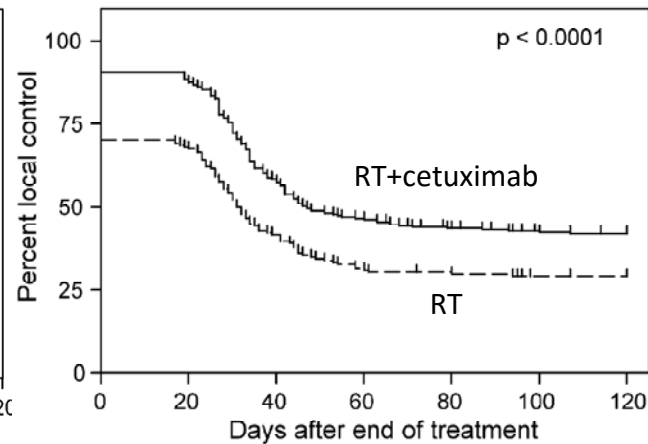
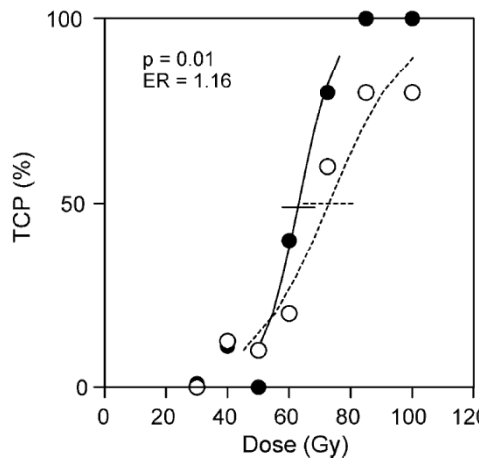
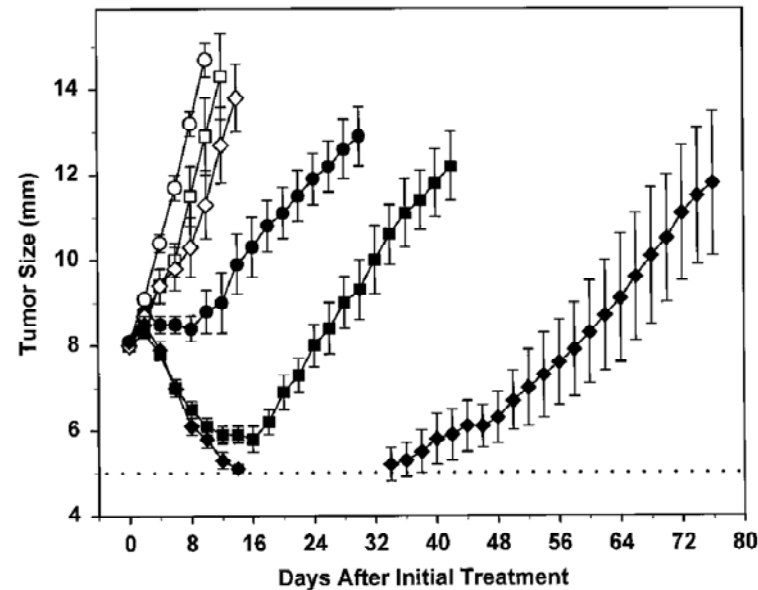
- EGFr-I induces apoptosis (~ 2 fold)
- RT induces apoptosis (6 Gy – 2 fold)
- RT and EGFr-I synergistic effect (5-6 fold)

Huang SM Cancer Res 1999; Harari PM IJROBP 2001;

Nyati MK Clin Cancer Res 2004



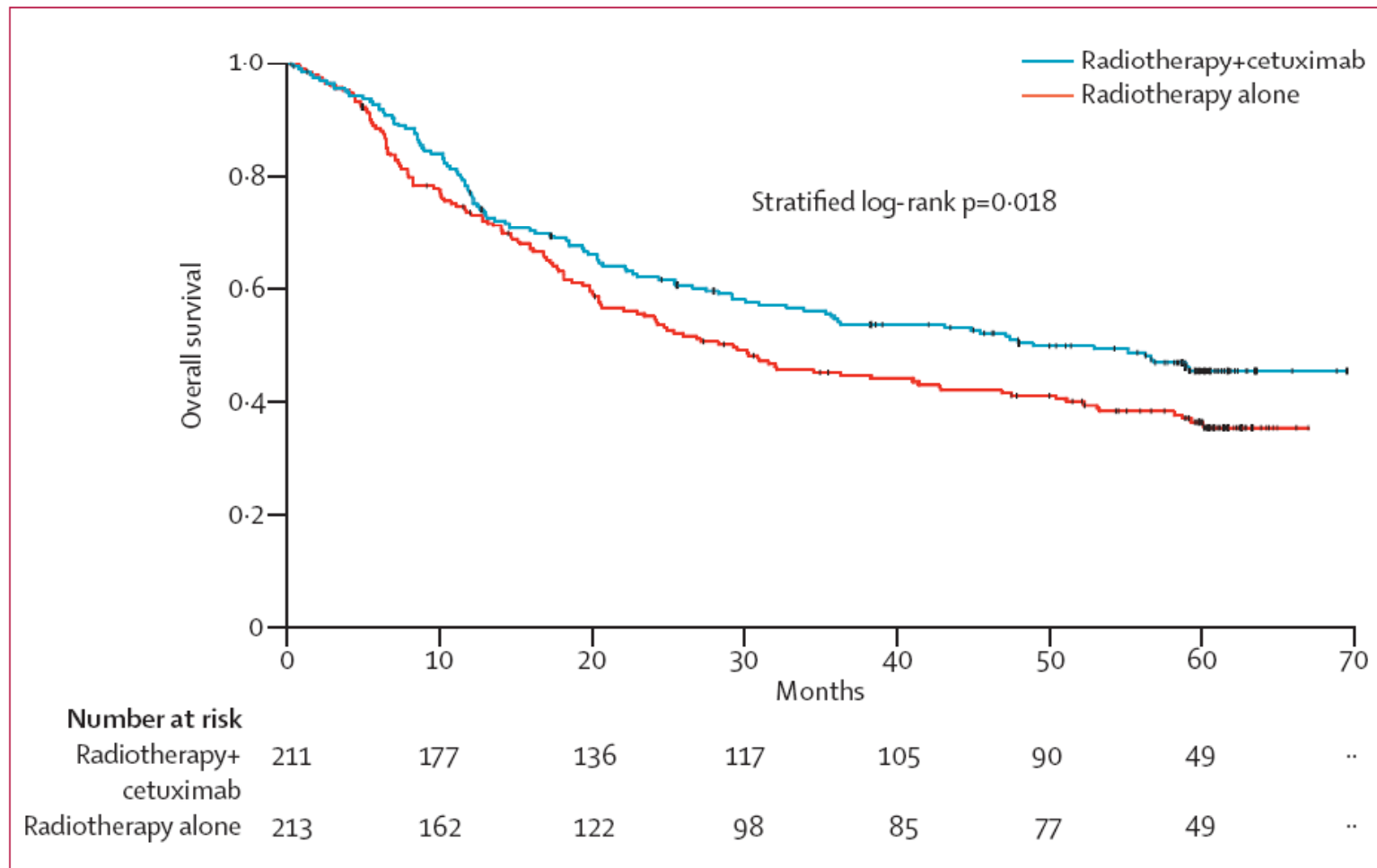
EGFR inhibition - pre-clinical data



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RT ±Cetuximab



Monoclonal antibodies



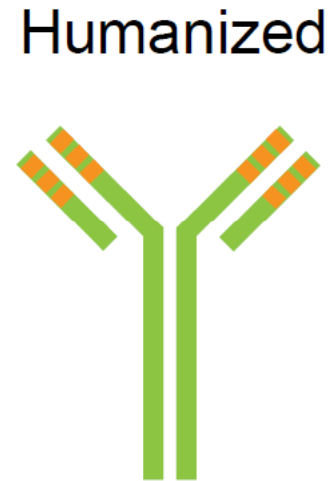
100% Mouse Protein

M225



34% Mouse Protein

Cetuximab



10% Mouse Protein

Trastuzumab

Nimotuzumab

Fully Human

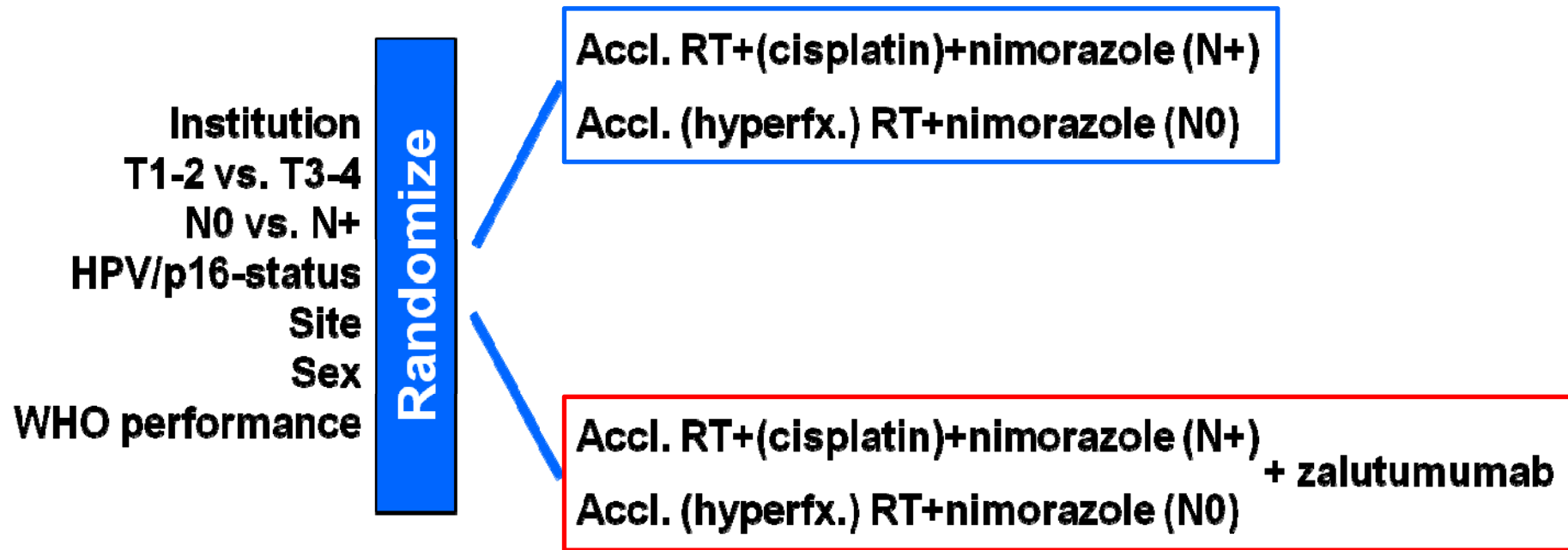
100% Human Protein

Panitumumab

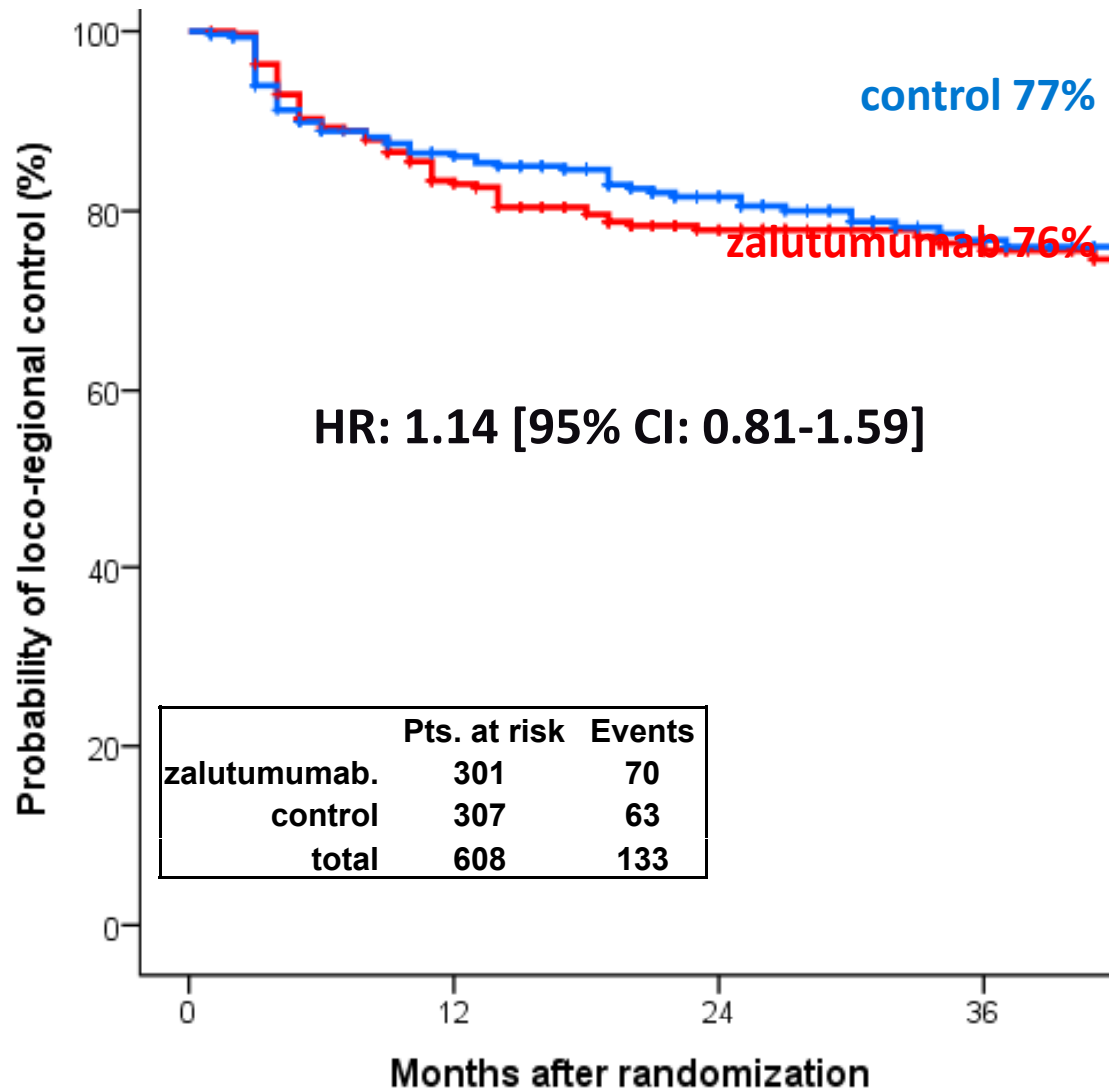
Zalutumumab

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DAHANCA19: RT/CRT ± Zalutumumab



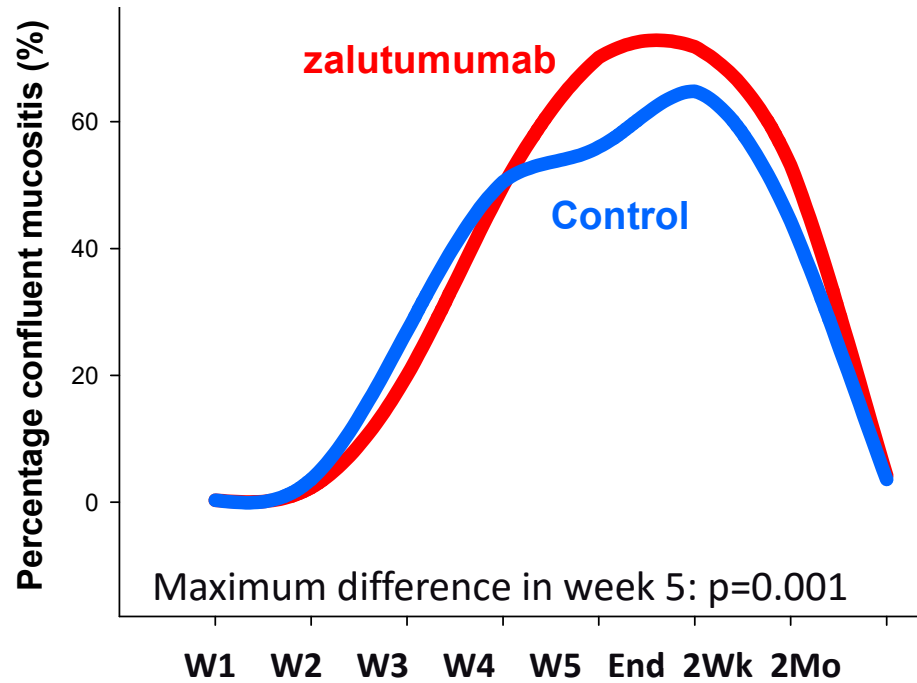
DAHANCA19: Loco-regional control



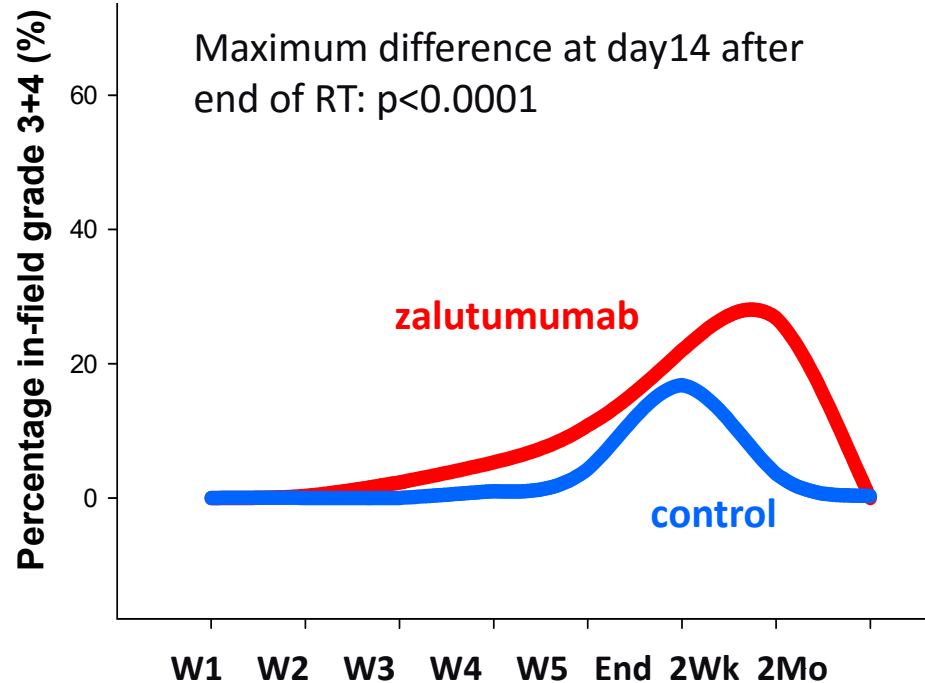
Eriksen, H&N Arizona 2014

DAHANCA19 - Acute morbidity

Confluent mucositis



Grade 3-4 in-field reaction



**Need for tube-feeding at end of treatment:
No difference (50% vs. 50%)**

Conclusions

RT and systemic therapy

- Sound biological rationale for combining local and systemic treatment
- The main clinical effect is by improving RT-induced loco-regional control
- Largest effect and tolerability in younger patients in good performance status
- Acute and late toxicity is increased

May look straightforward, but.....

Combination of RT and systemic therapy

The devil is in the details:

- Induction chemotherapy? Evidence versus clinical practise...
- Concomitant chemoRT:
 - Which drugs?
 - Frequency: weekly or every three weeks?
- Does it (really) work with altered fractionation?
- Combination of two and more systemic agents..
 - Doublet versus triplet
- What about toxicity – is there a true therapeutic gain?

....will be addressed in this course...

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HPV

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HN radiotherapy

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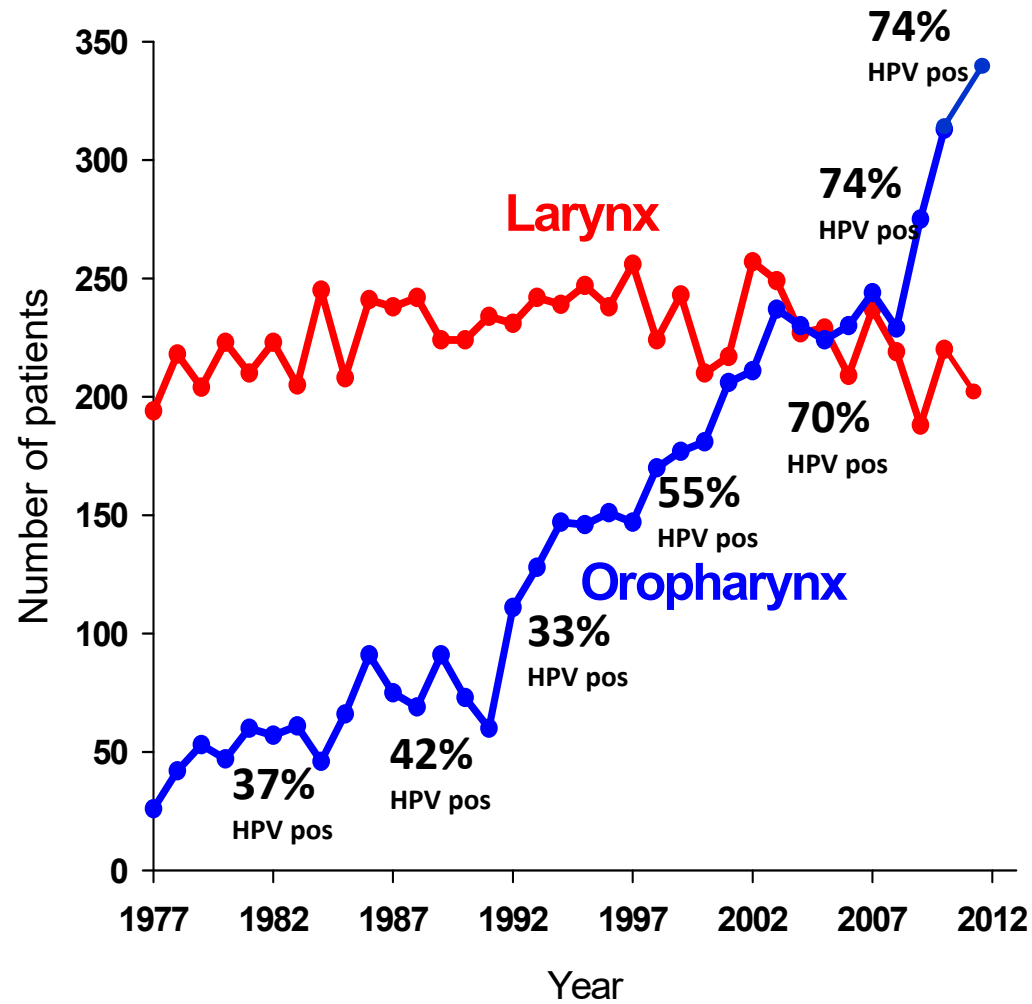
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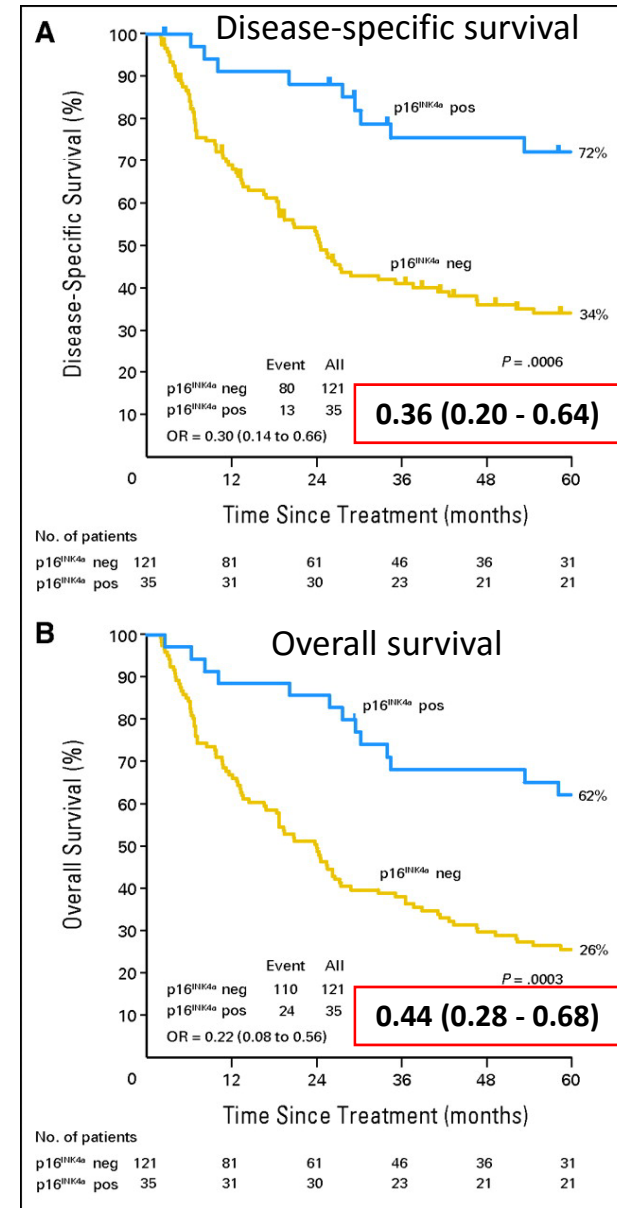
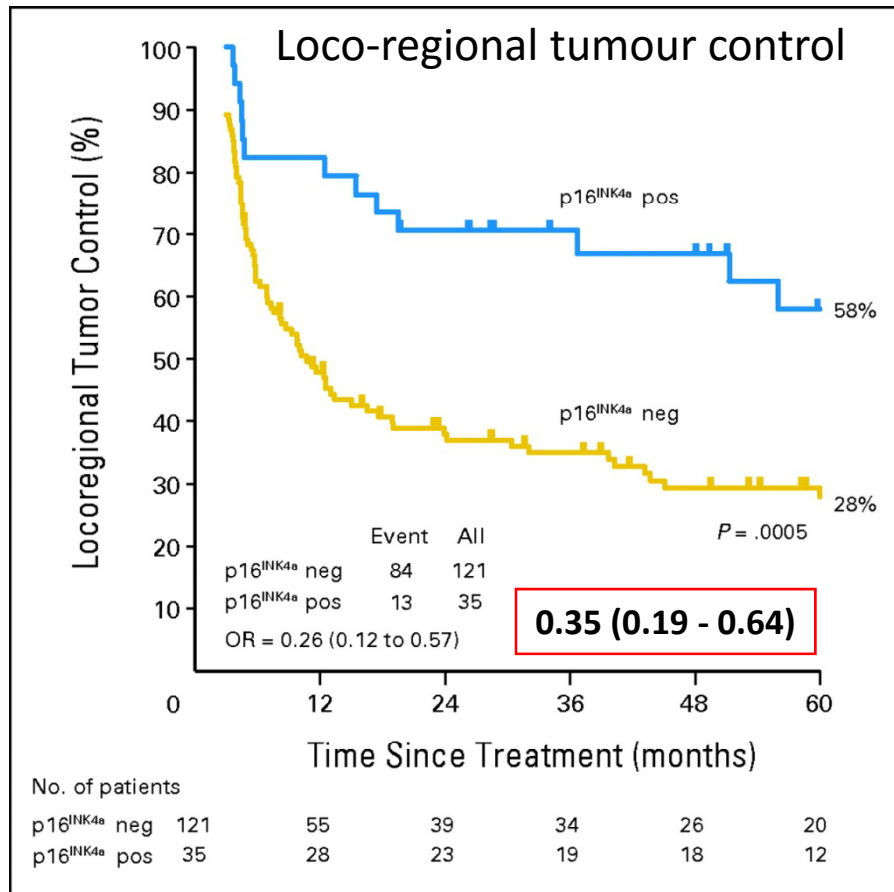
Incidence of oropharyngeal cancer i DK

Denmark
1977-2012
DAHANCA

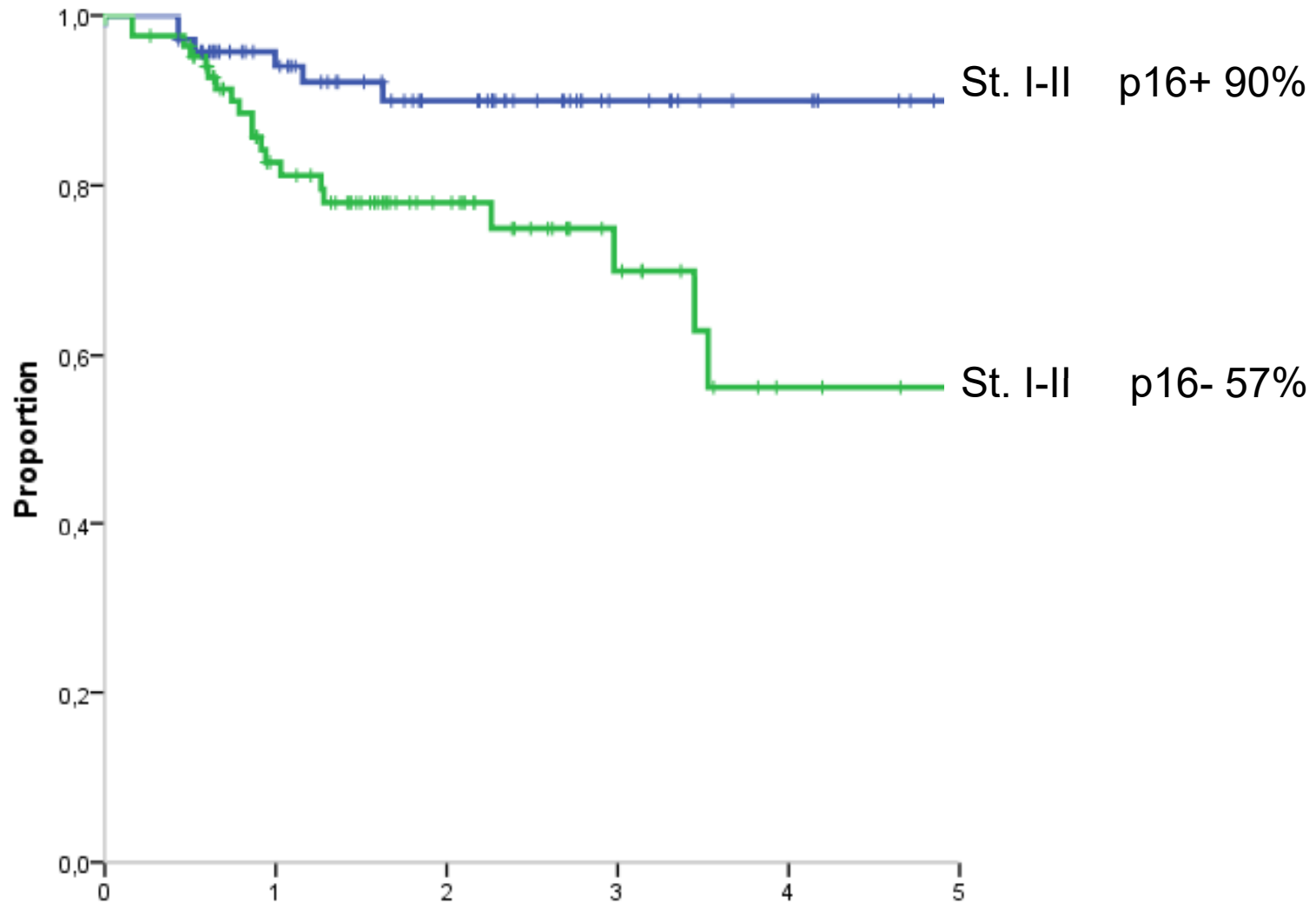


Influence of p16/HPV on radiotherapy outcome in HNSCC (5fx/week)

DAHANCA 5 (N=156)

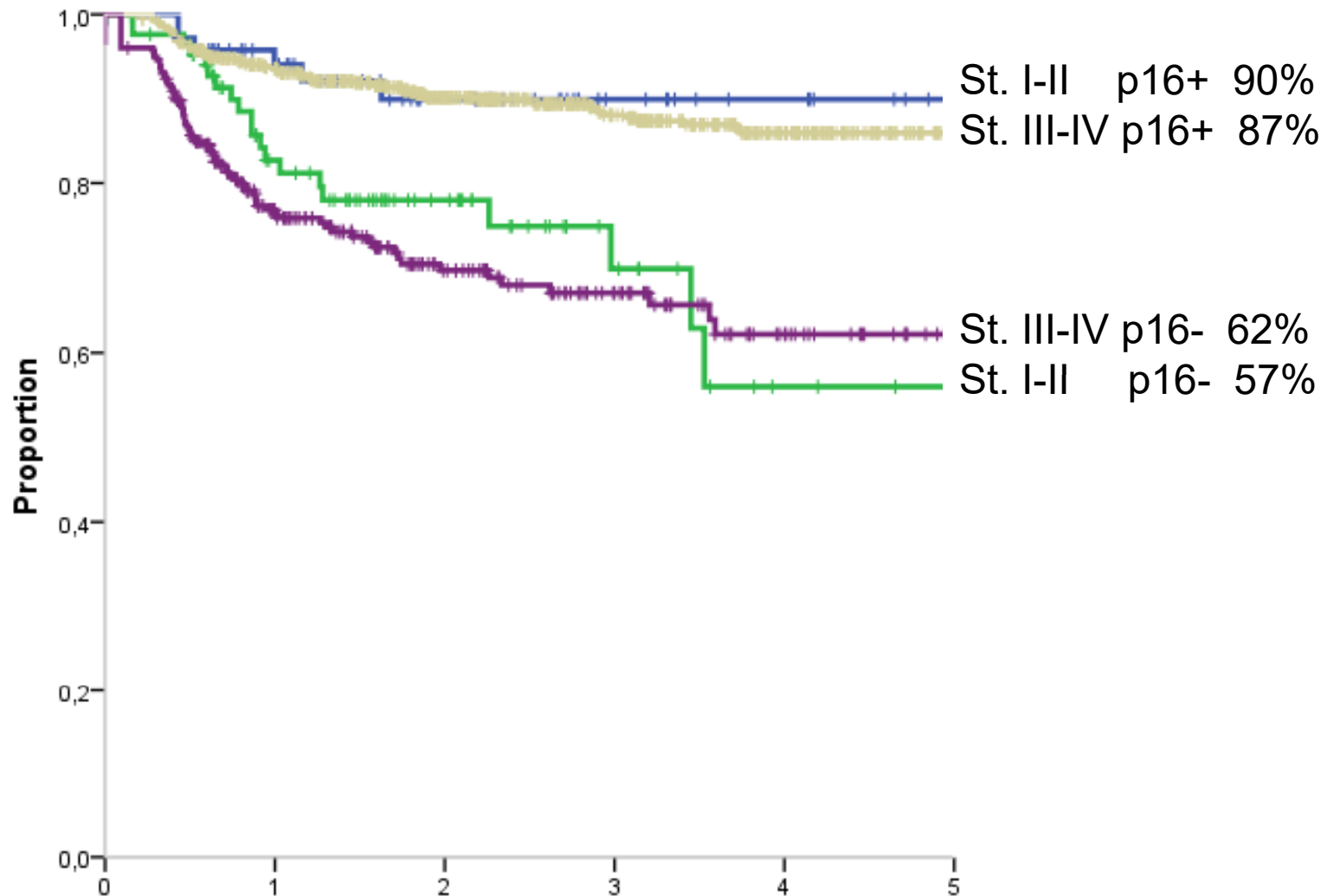


Loco-regional control and p16



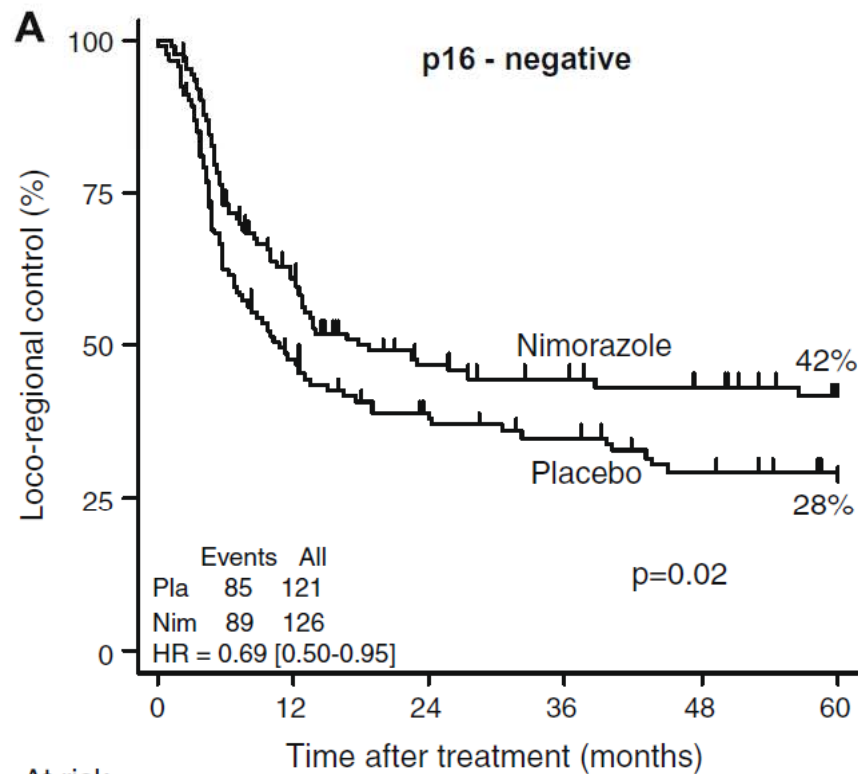
DAHANCA 2000-2013, curative intent RT, oropharynx patients with known p16 status (n=1163)

Loco-regional control and p16

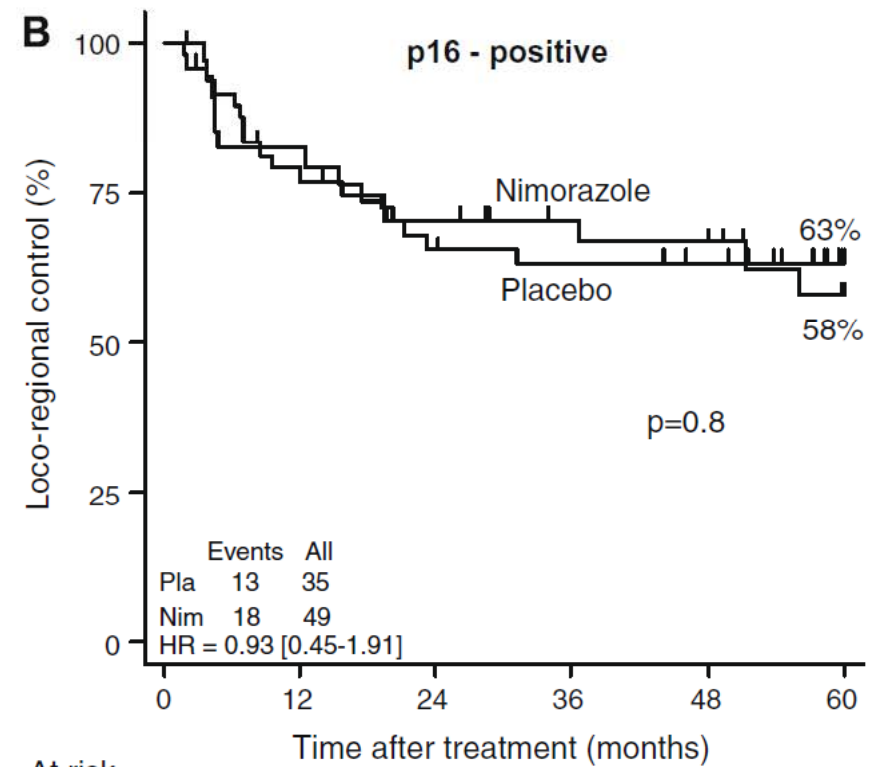


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Influence of HPV status on outcome of hypoxic modification (nimorazole)



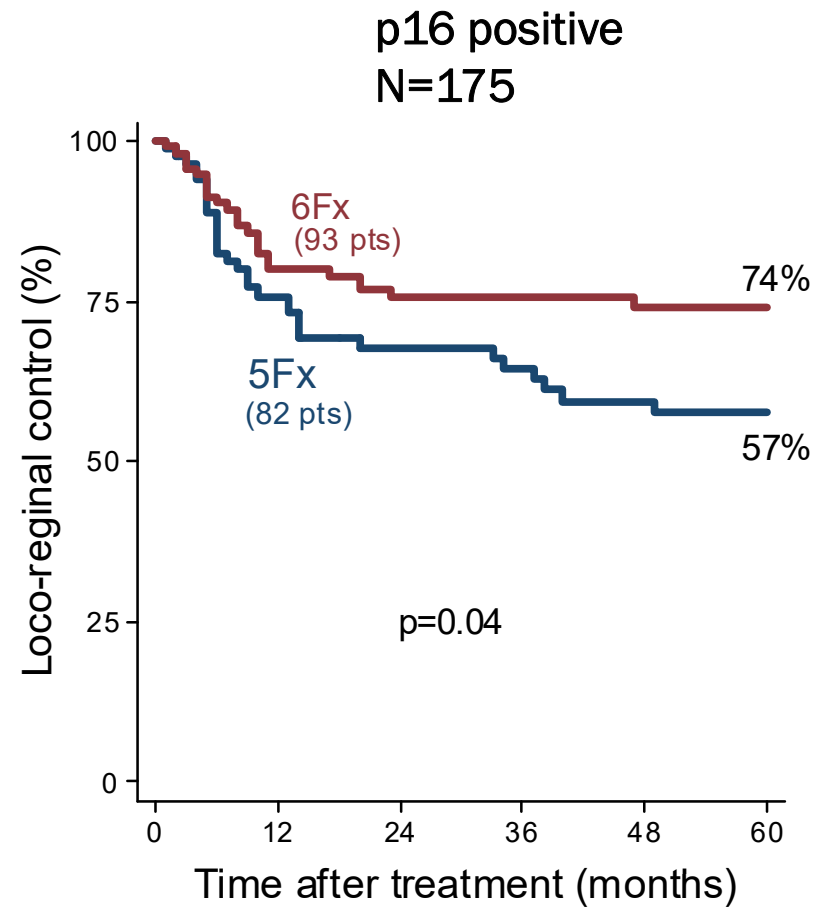
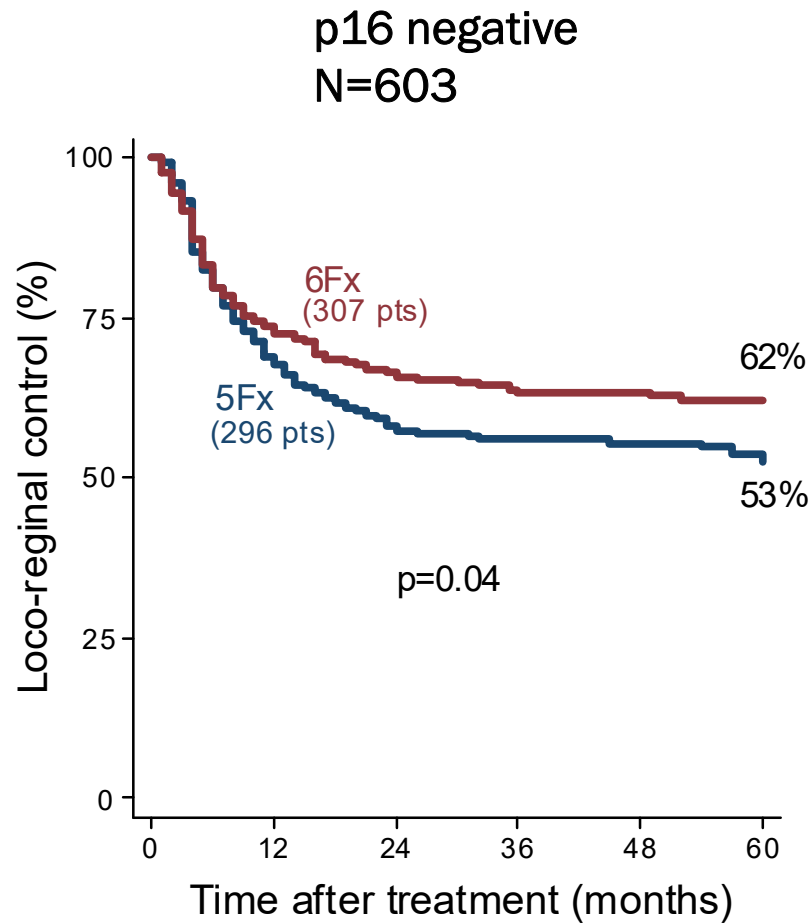
| At risk | 0 | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 60 |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Pla | 121 | 55 | 39 | 34 | 26 | 21 |
| Nim | 126 | 69 | 43 | 37 | 33 | 23 |



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| Pla | 35 | 28 | 23 | 19 | 18 | 12 |
| Nim | 49 | 37 | 29 | 27 | 25 | 14 |

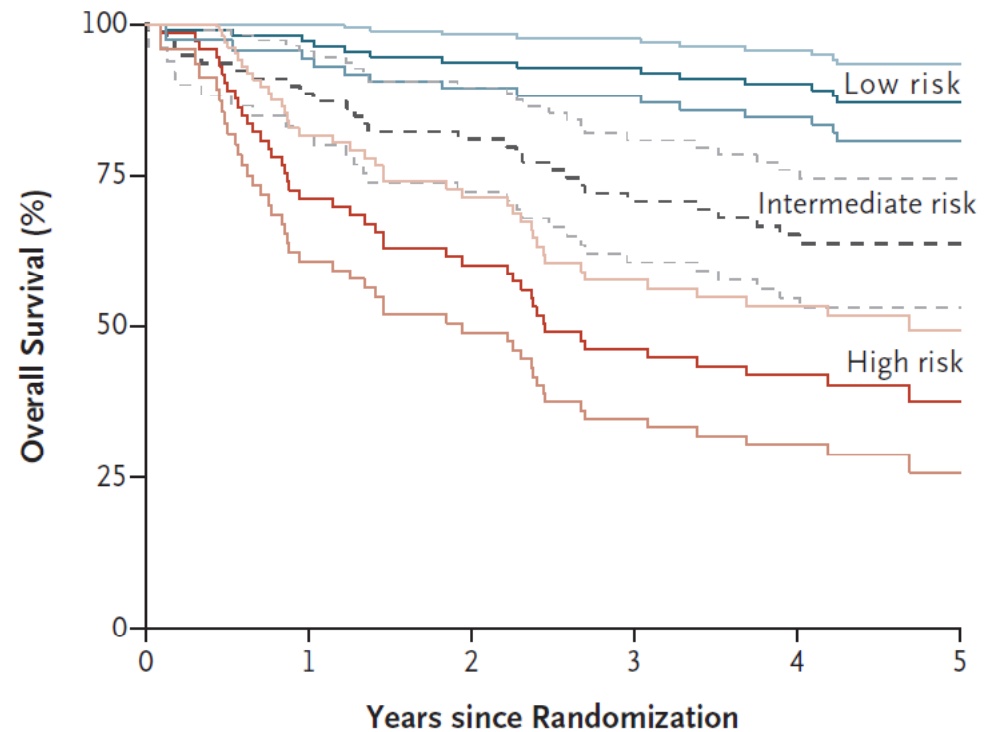
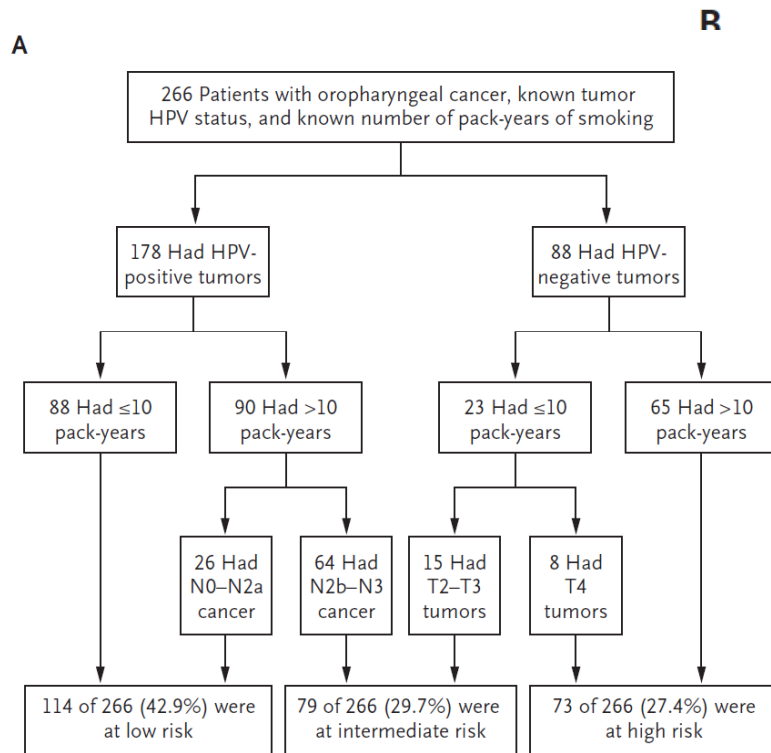
Influence of HPV status on outcome of accelerated fractionation

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HPV, smoking and risk groups

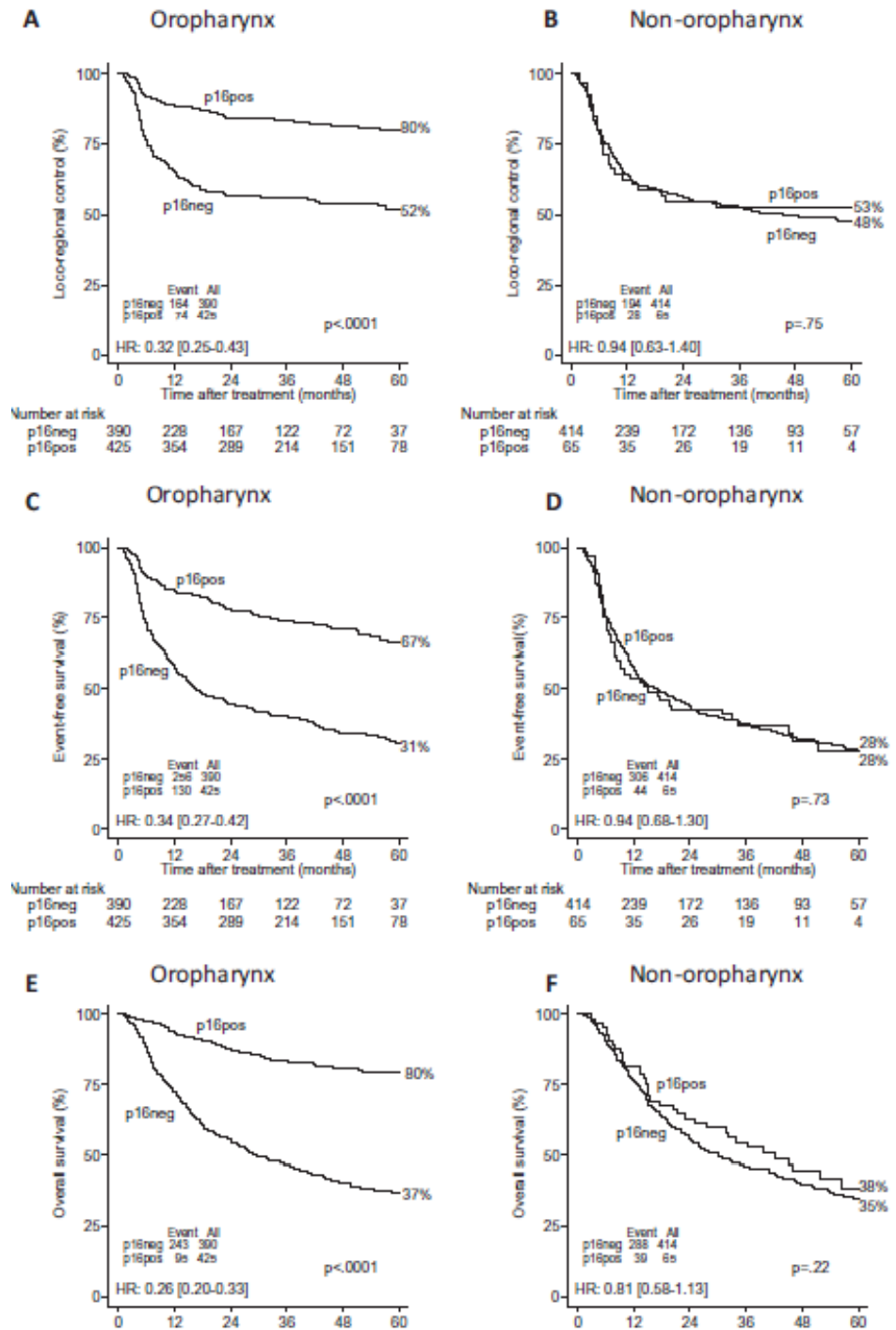
RTOG 0129: concurrent chemoRT +acc



No. at Risk

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| Low risk | 114 | 111 | 106 | 102 | 95 | 46 |
| Intermediate risk | 79 | 70 | 64 | 54 | 44 | 24 |
| High risk | 73 | 52 | 43 | 33 | 28 | 8 |

P16 effect on RT outcome - oropharynx only?



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Impact of HPV-associated p16-expression on radiotherapy outcome in advanced oropharynx and non-oropharynx cancer^{*}



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HPV (p16) oro vs. non-oro

| Endpoint/variable | Oropharynx HR [95% CI] ^b | Non-oropharynx HR [95% CI] ^b |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Overall death | | |
| Age <60 years vs. >60 years | 0.72 [0.58–0.90] | 0.85 [0.68–1.06] |
| Female vs. male | 0.84 [0.64–1.09] | 0.65 [0.49–0.88] |
| T1–2 vs. T3–4 | 0.43 [0.34–0.54] | 0.62 [0.48–0.81] |
| N0 vs. N+ | 0.48 [0.35–0.67] | 0.44 [0.33–0.58] |
| p16pos vs. p16neg | 0.38 [0.29–0.49] | 0.82 [0.59–1.16] |
| Nim vs. no nim | 0.78 [0.56–1.09] | 1.25 [0.90–1.73] |
| 6Fx/week vs. 5Fx/week | 0.60 [0.46–0.78] | 0.69 [0.53–0.90] |
| Chemo vs. no chemo | 0.36 [0.24–0.53] | 0.52 [0.34–0.79] |

.... our data suggests that patients with p16-positive tumors of the larynx and hypopharynx should be considered candidates for enhanced, multimodality treatment schedules in line with p16-negative HNSCC.

RTOG 1016 de-escalation study

p16+ oropharyngeal carcinomas

T1-2,N2a-3 or T3-4 any N

Stratify:
T 1-2
T3-4
N0-2a
N2b-c
>10 PY>
Zubrod 1-2

RANDOMIZE

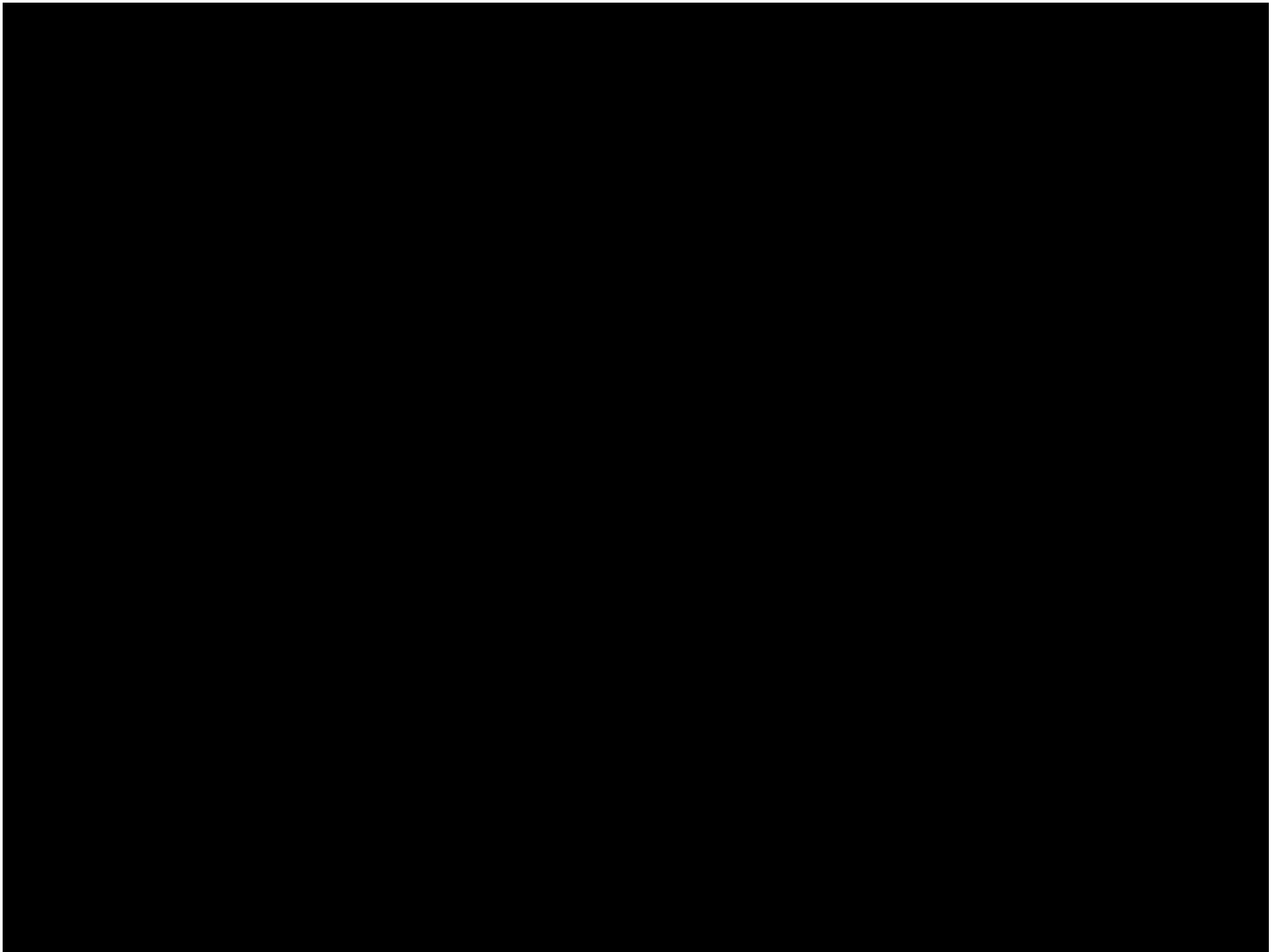
RT 70Gy/35f/6 wks + cisplatin 100mg/m² x 2

Closed 2013 after 987 patients accrued

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- The optimal combination of these 'radiotherapy intensifiers' is still unsettled
- **All of the above in turn needs to be re-evaluated in the light of the major impact of HPV on radiation response and prognosis**
- **HPV status needs to be taken into account whenever a clinical trial is conducted or interpreted (identification, stratification..)**
- **Until such evidence is collected, HPV-status should not influence intensity of treatment**
- **De-escalation trials for HPV+ patients are ongoing**
- **Although there is currently much focus on the HPV-positive patients, it is important not to forget the HPV-negative patients, who have poor prognosis and need better strategies!**



Suggested literature

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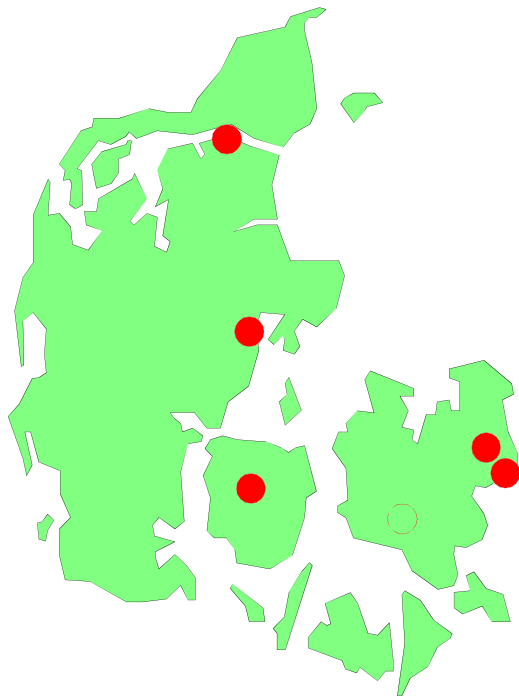
Radiobiological principles in head and neck radiotherapy

-volume, fractionation, hypoxia,
combination with systemic therapy

Jesper Grau Eriksen and Cai Grau

DAHANCA

The Danish Head and Neck Cancer Group



- Established 1976
- National database
- Registration and follow up of all patients with head and neck cancer
- National treatment strategy
- Clinical trials
- Quality assurance

Role of RT in head and neck cancer

- Primary radiotherapy
- Adjuvant radiotherapy
- Palliative radiotherapy

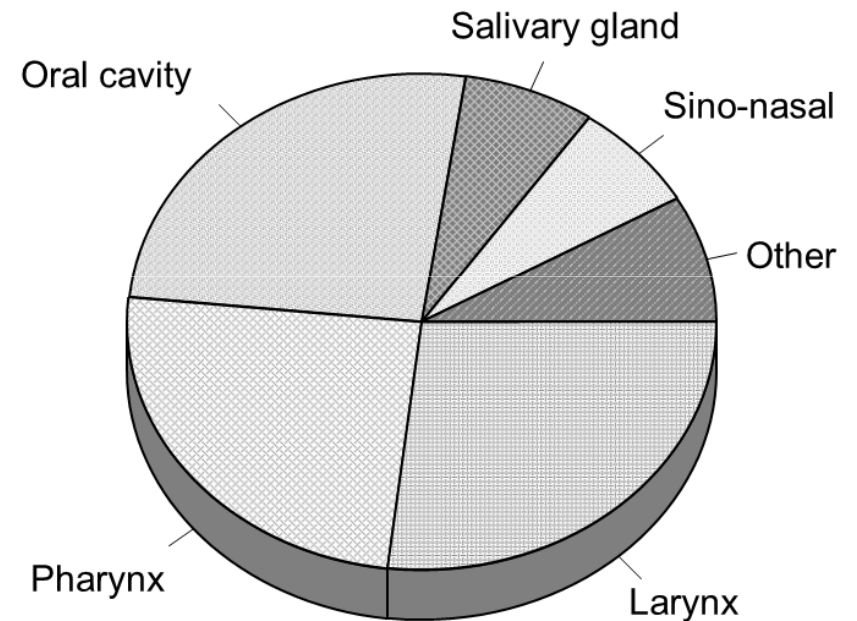
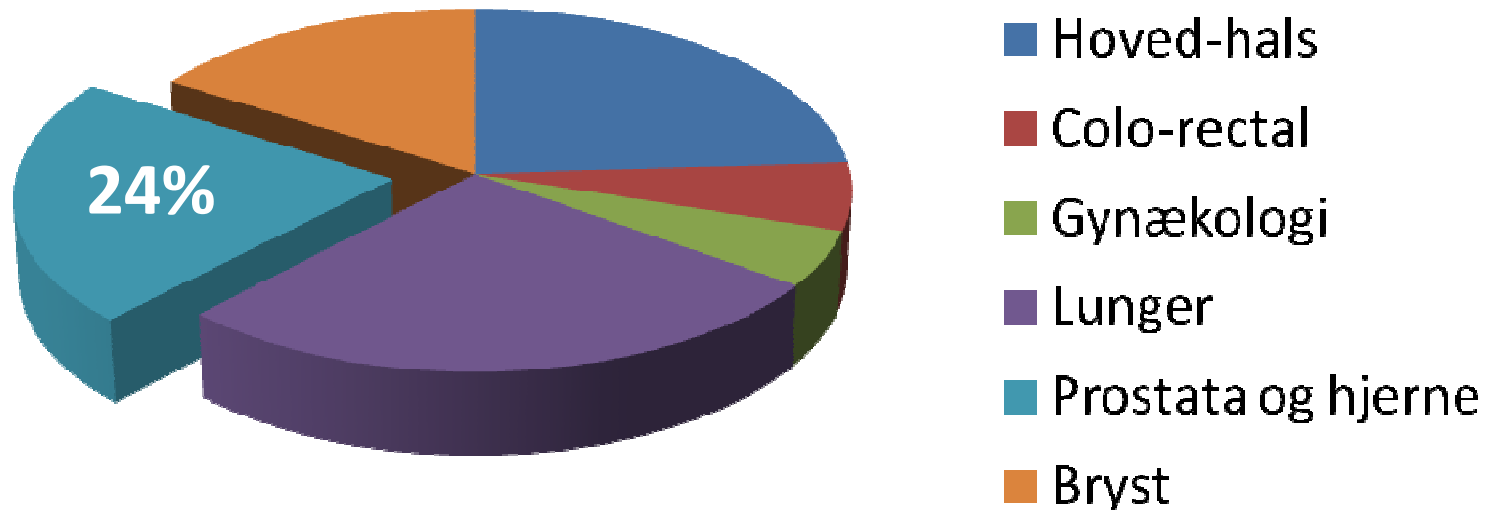


TABLE 3
Optimal Radiotherapy Utilization Rate by Cancer Type

| Tumor type | Proportion of all cancers | Proportion of patients receiving radiotherapy | Patients receiving radiotherapy (% of all cancers) | Reference |
|------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Breast | 0.13 | 83 | 10.8 | Delaney et al. ¹² |
| Lung | 0.10 | 76 | 7.6 | Delaney et al. ¹³ |
| Melanoma | 0.11 | 23 | 2.5 | Delaney et al. ¹⁴ |
| Prostate | 0.12 | 60 | 7.2 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Gynecologic | 0.05 | 35 | 1.8 | Delaney et al. ^{18,19} |
| Colon | 0.09 | 14 | 1.3 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Rectum | 0.05 | 61 | 3.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Head and neck | 0.04 | 78 | 3.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁷ |
| Gall bladder | 0.01 | 13 | 0.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Liver | 0.01 | 0 | 0.0 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Esophageal | 0.01 | 80 | 0.8 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Stomach | 0.02 | 68 | 1.4 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Pancreas | 0.02 | 57 | 1.1 | Delaney et al. ¹⁵ |
| Lymphoma | 0.04 | 65 | 2.6 | Featherstone et al. ²⁰ |
| Leukemia | 0.03 | 4 | 0.1 | Featherstone et al. ²¹ |
| Myeloma | 0.01 | 38 | 0.4 | Featherstone et al. ²¹ |
| Central nervous system | 0.02 | 92 | 1.8 | Delaney et al. ²² |
| Renal | 0.03 | 27 | 0.8 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Bladder | 0.03 | 58 | 1.7 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Testis | 0.01 | 49 | 0.5 | Delaney et al. ¹⁶ |
| Thyroid | 0.01 | 10 | 0.1 | Delaney et al. ²² |
| Unknown primary | 0.04 | 61 | 2.4 | Delaney et al. ²² |
| Other | 0.02 | 50 | 1.0 | See citations in text |
| Total | 1.00 | - | 52.3 | |

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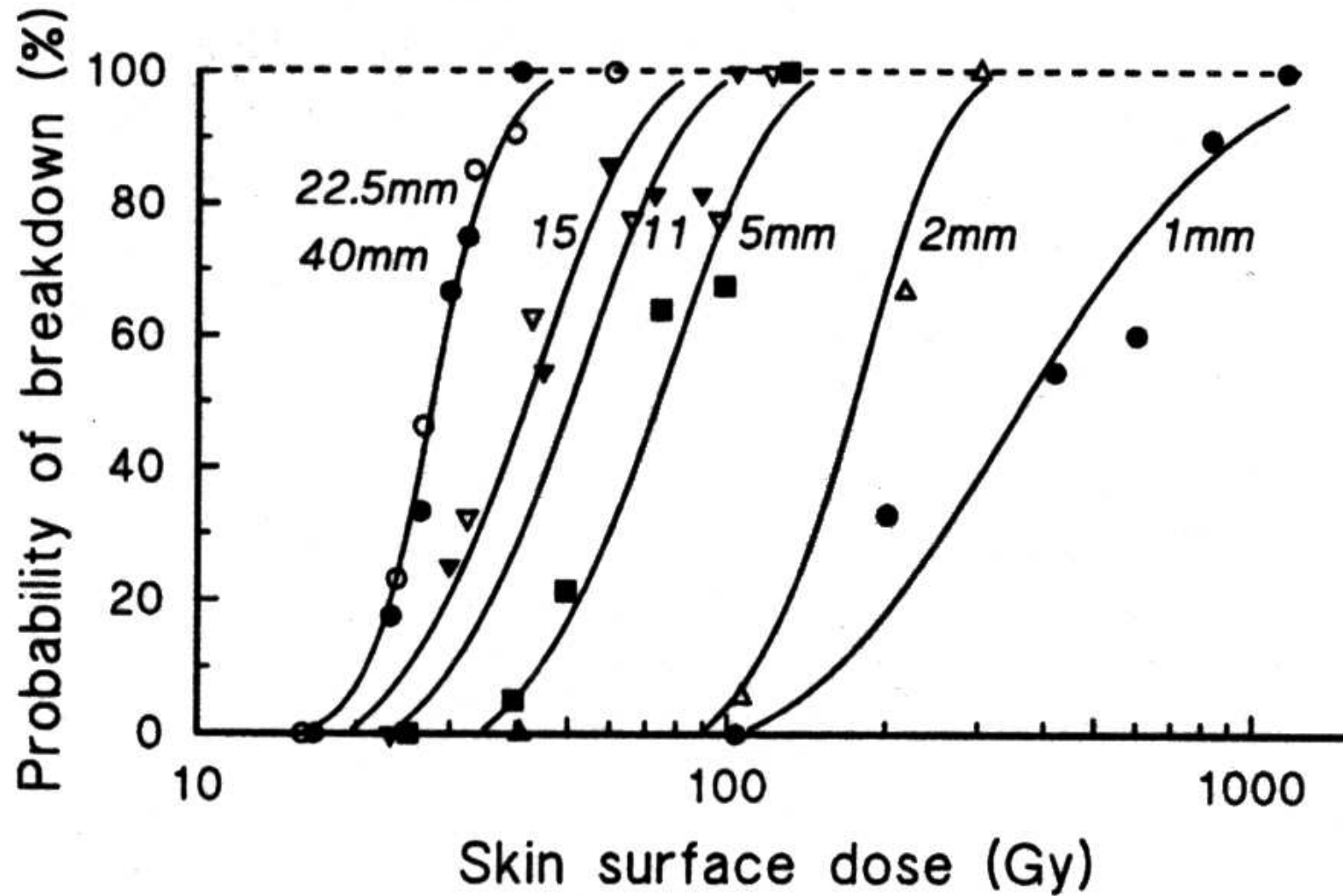
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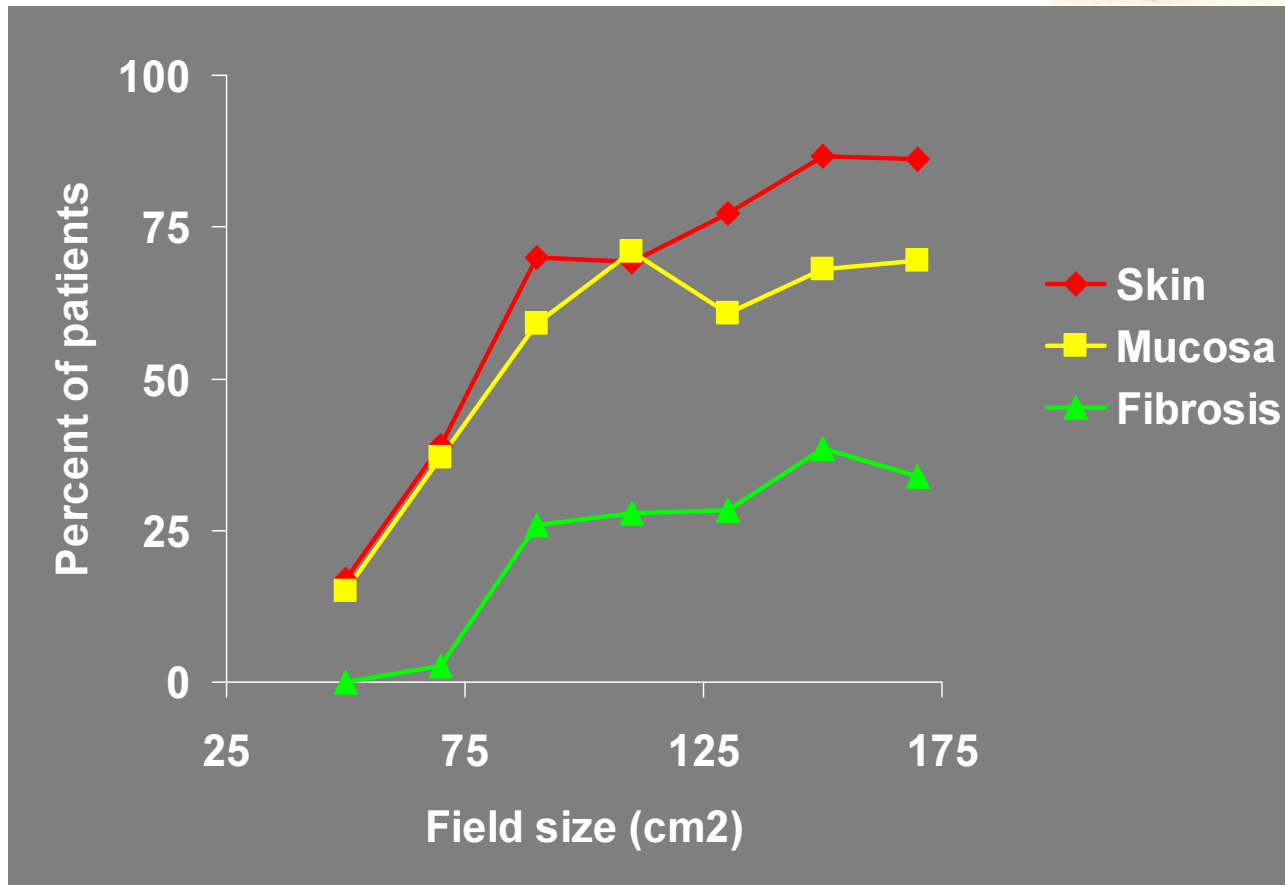
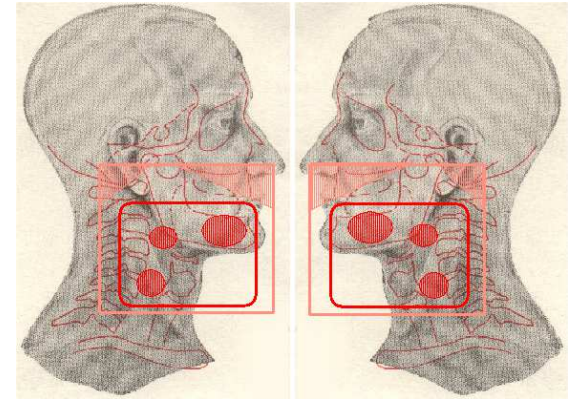
Rehabilitation

Volume effect

Dose-volume-effect



Volume and morbidity in HN radiotherapy

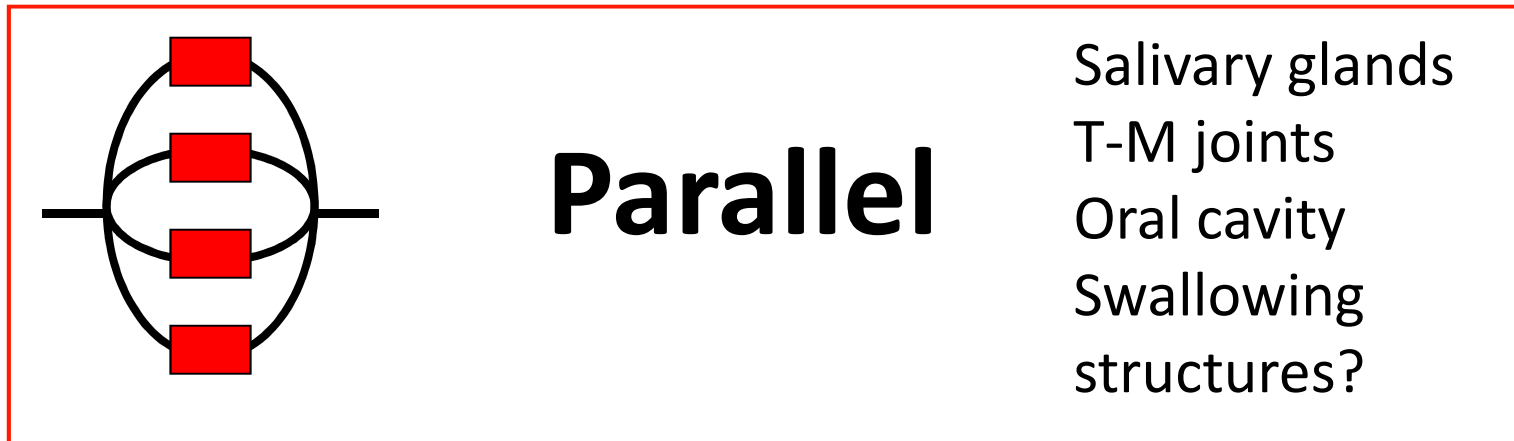


Data from IAEA MMC trial

Parallel vs. serial organization of tissues

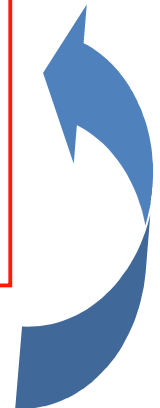


Spinal cord
Brain stem
Optic nerves
Chiasm
Inner ear



Salivary glands
T-M joints
Oral cavity
Swallowing structures?

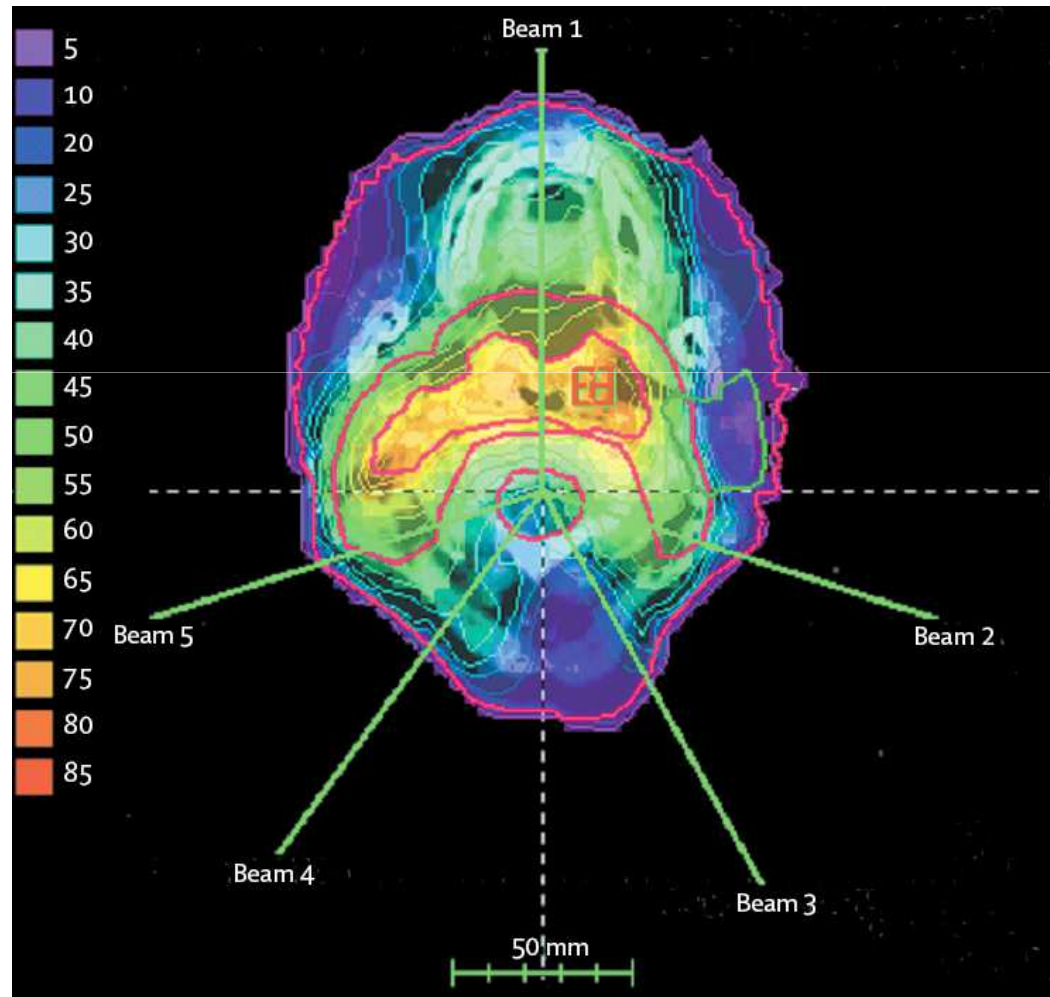
Volume effect



Normal tissue tolerance

- **Serial tissue: Dose constraints**
 - Tolerance is not related to the irradiated volume
 - Max dose
 - E.g. 'max 50 Gy to spinal cord' 'max 54 Gy to optic chiasm'
- **Parallel tissue: Dose volume constraints**
 - Tolerance is dependent on the irradiated volume
 - DVH constraints
 - E.g. 'mean dose below 30 Gy to oral cavity', 'mean dose below 26 Gy to parotids', '2/3 of larynx below 50 Gy'

Intensity Modulated RT (IMRT)



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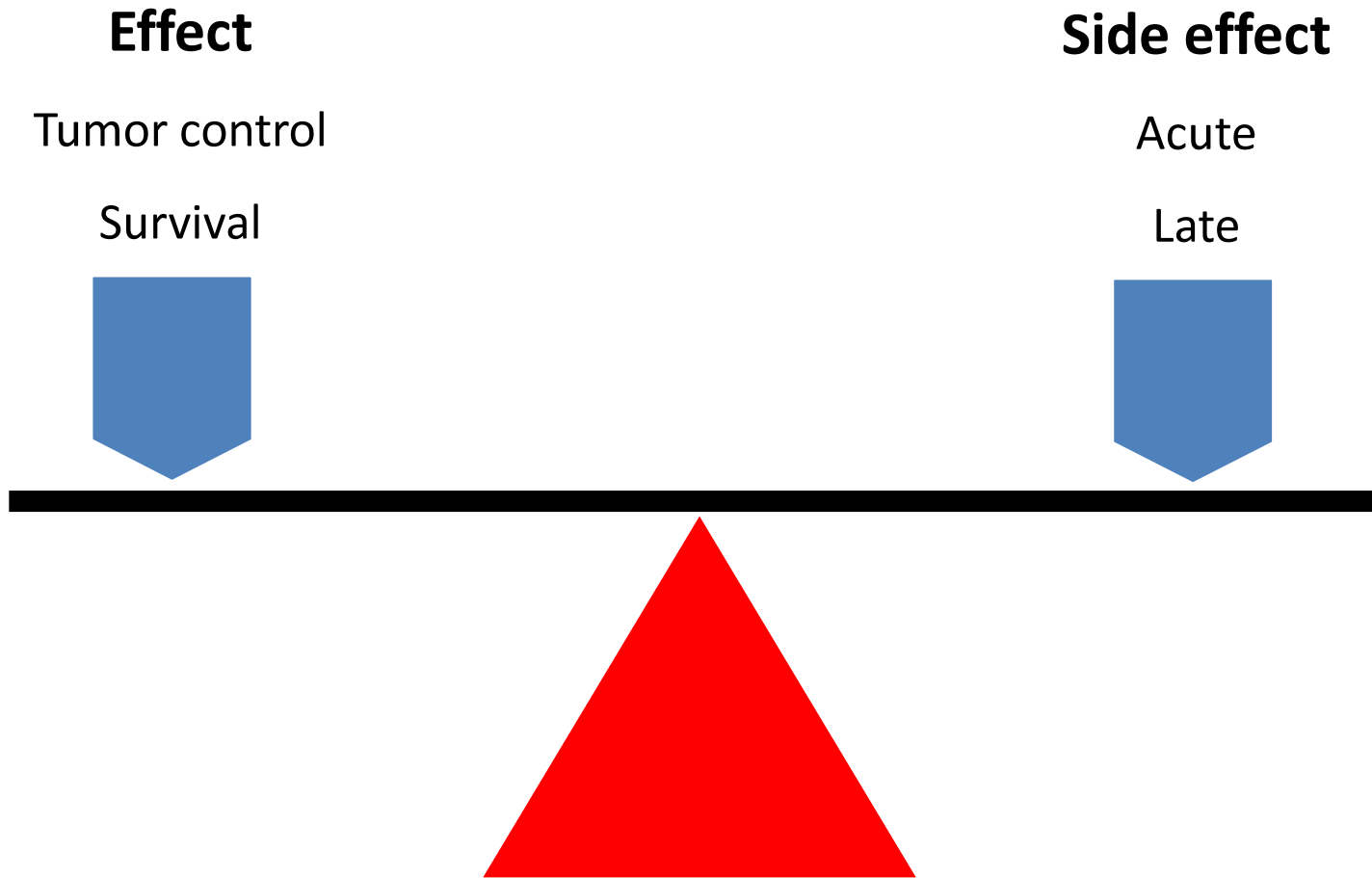
Rehabilitation

Radiotherapy intensifiers

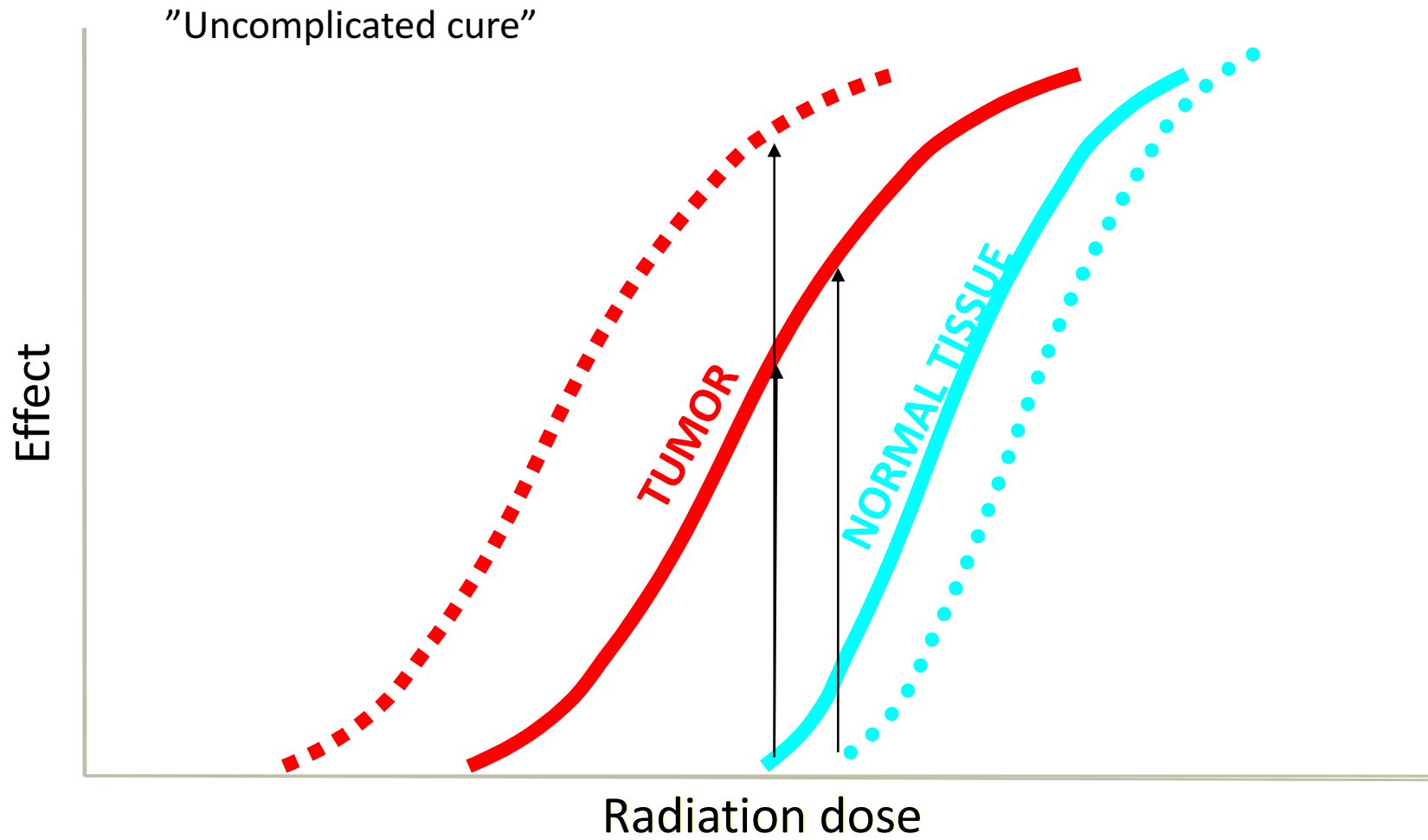
- 20.000+ pre-clinical studies
- 2.000+ phase I-II trials
- 200+ randomized trials
- 20+ metaanalyses

- In less than 45 minutes...

Therapeutic ratio

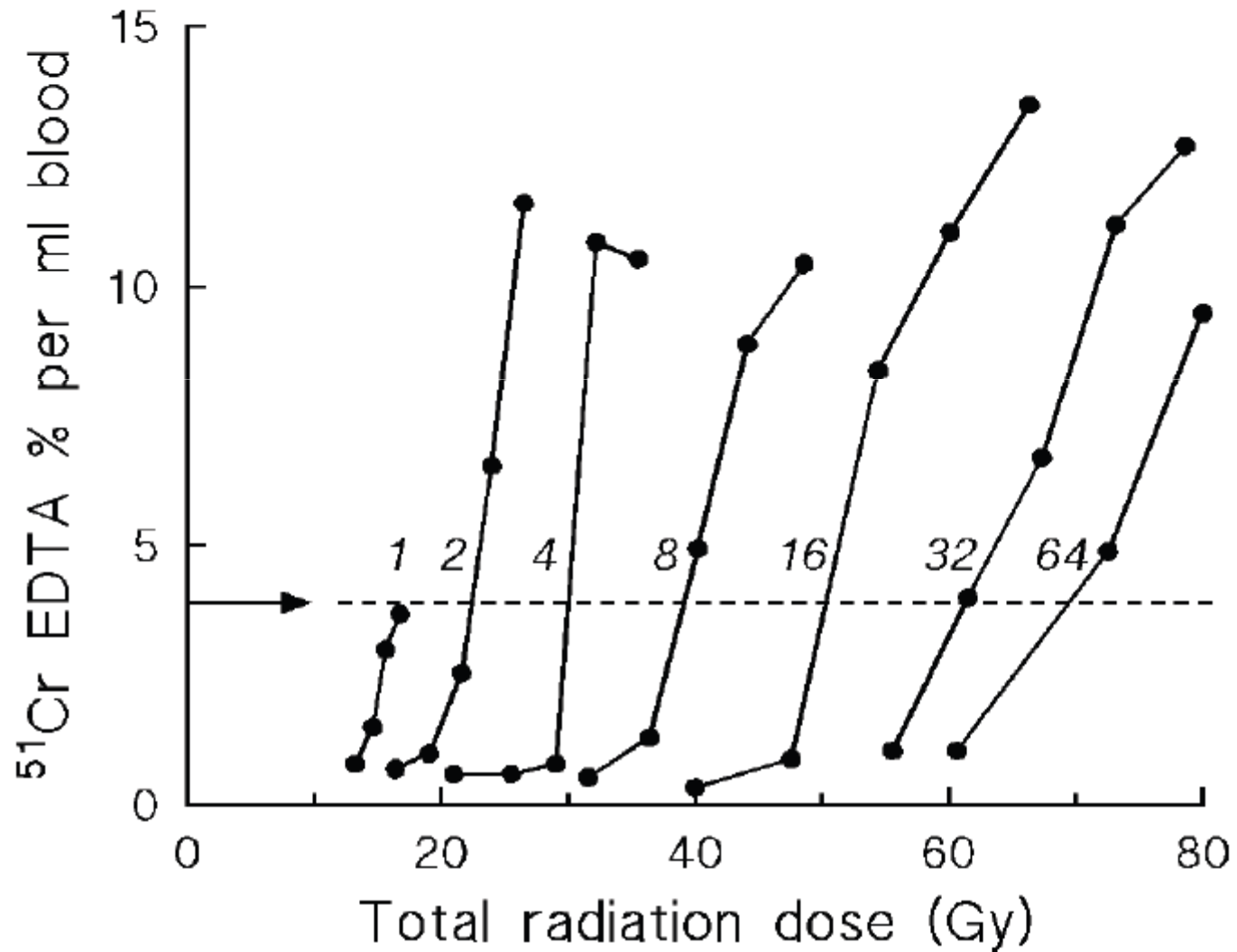


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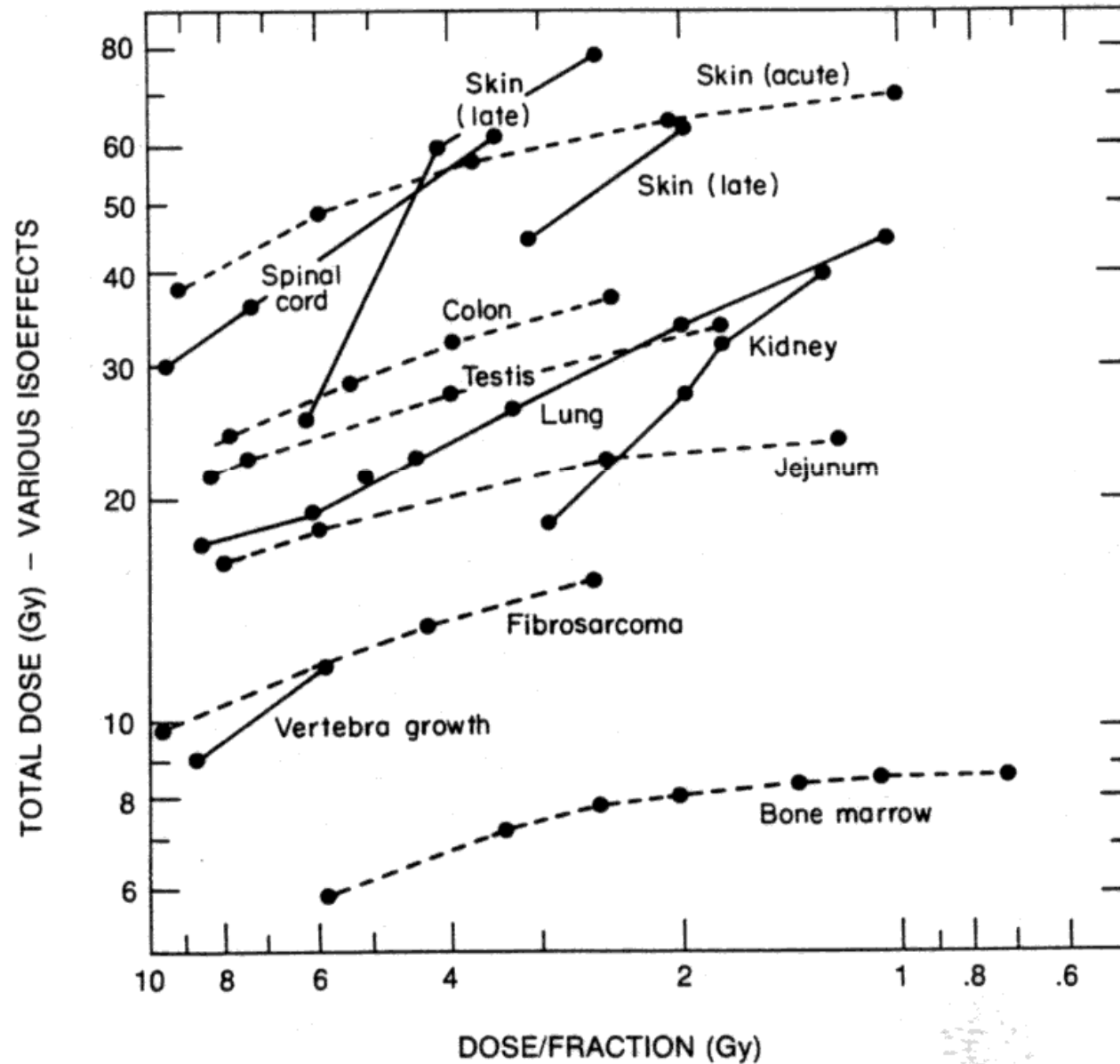


Fractionation

Fractionation and iso-effect



Fractionation sensitivity - The spaghetti plot



H.R. Withers Cancer
55: 2086, 1985

Fractionation sensitivity

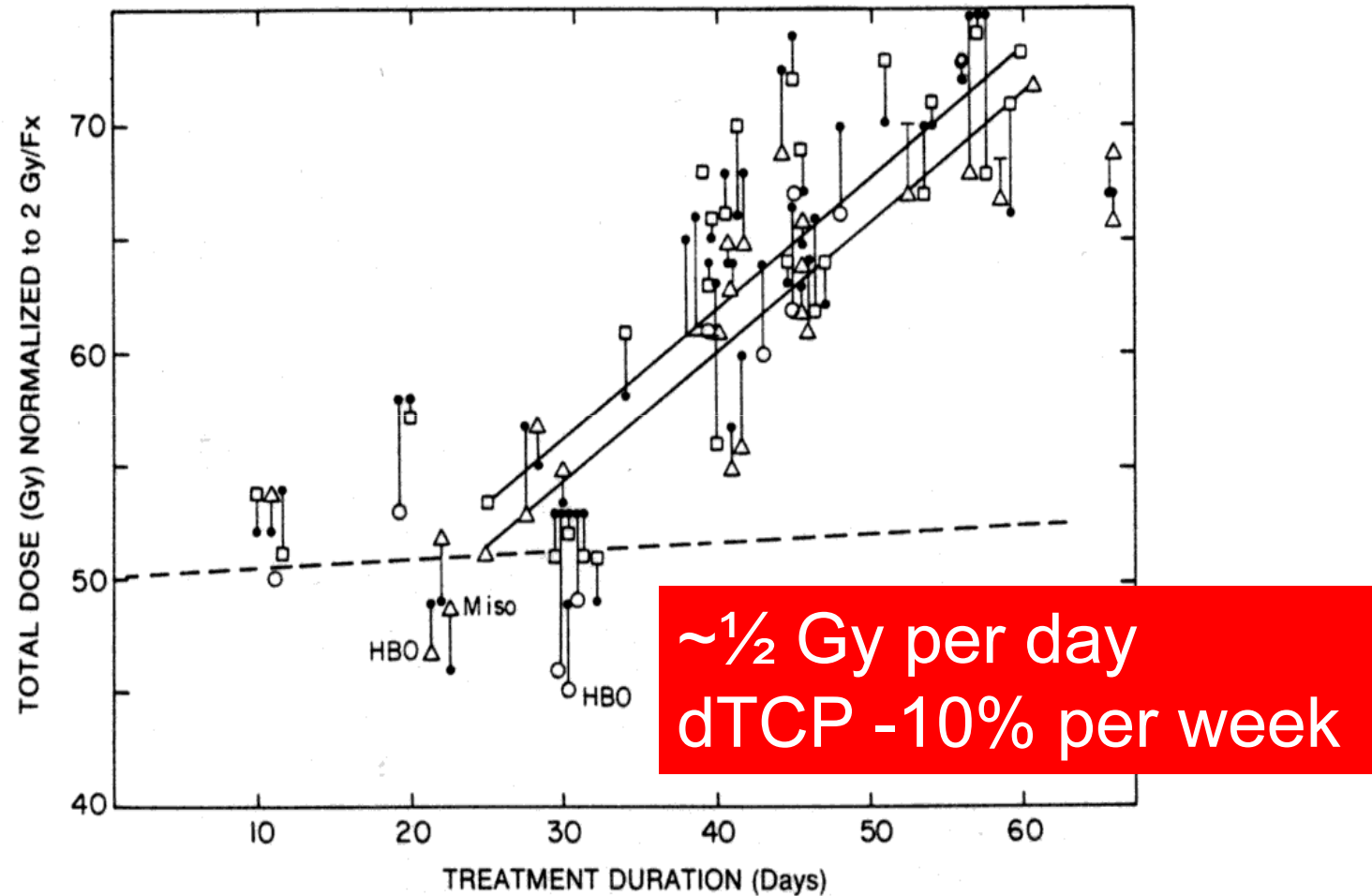
Early reacting normal tissues

- Low fractionation sensitivity
- Small increase in tolerance with decreasing dose per fraction
- High alpha-beta (8-30 Gy)
- Time factor (repopulation)

Late reacting normal tissues

- High fractionation sensitivity
- Large increase in tolerance with decreasing dose per fraction
- Low alpha-beta (2-4 Gy)
- No time factor

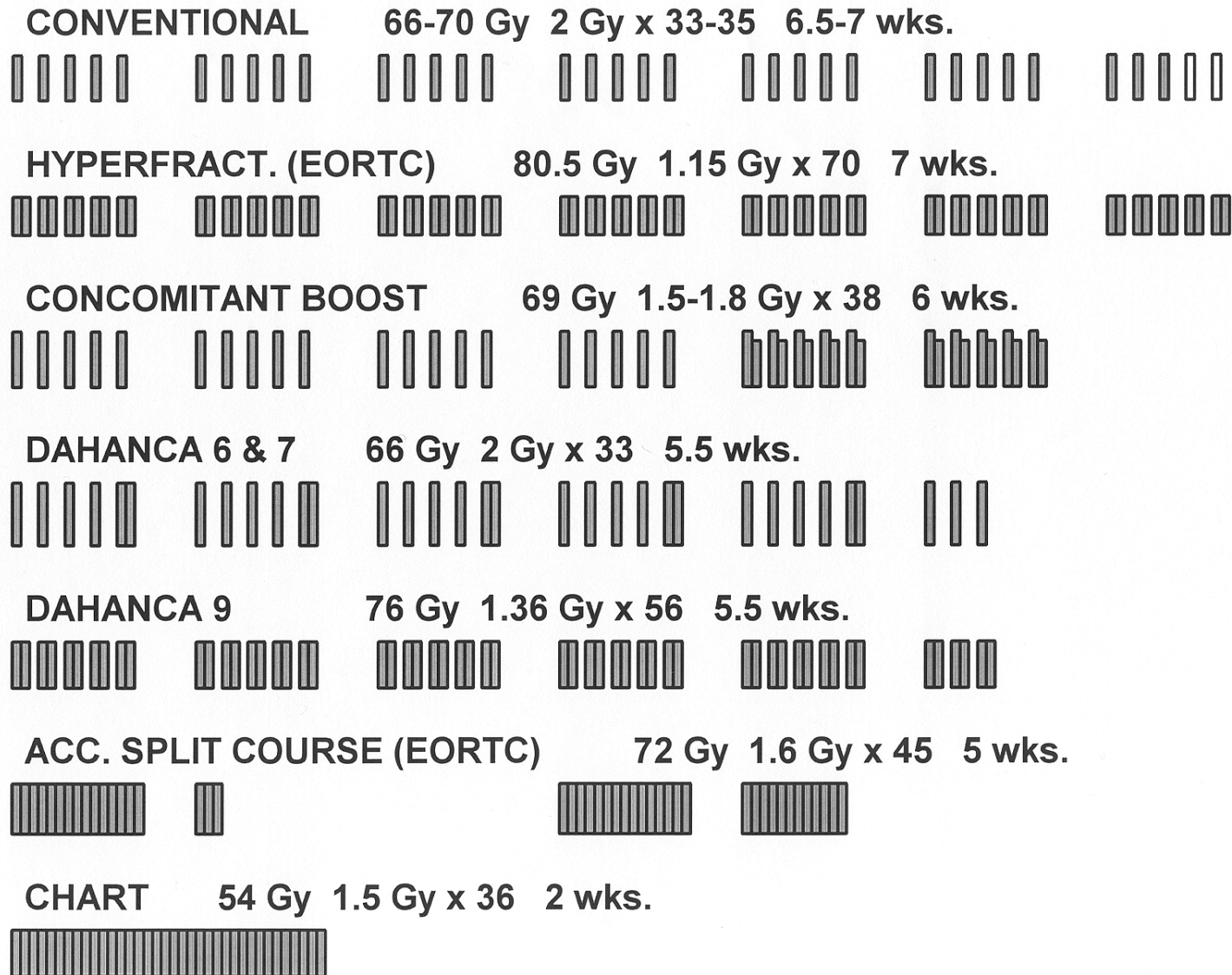
ACCELERATED REPOPULATION



Fractionation principles

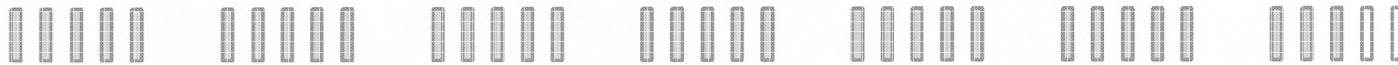
- **Conventional fractionation:** Dose per fraction 1.8-2.0 Gy, 5 fx/wk
- **Hyperfractionation:** Dose per fraction <1.8 Gy
- **Hypofractionation:** Dose per fraction >2.0 Gy
- **Split-course:** A treatment break (weeks), resulting in prolonged overall treatment time
- **Accelerated fractionation:** Reduced overall treatment time

Fractionation studies in head and neck cancer



Fractionation studies in head and neck cancer

CONVENTIONAL 66-70 Gy 2 Gy x 33-35 6.5-7 wks.



HYPERFRACT. (EORTC) 80.5 Gy 1.15 Gy x 70 7 wks.



CONCOMITANT BOOST 69 Gy 1.5-1.8 Gy x 38 6 wks



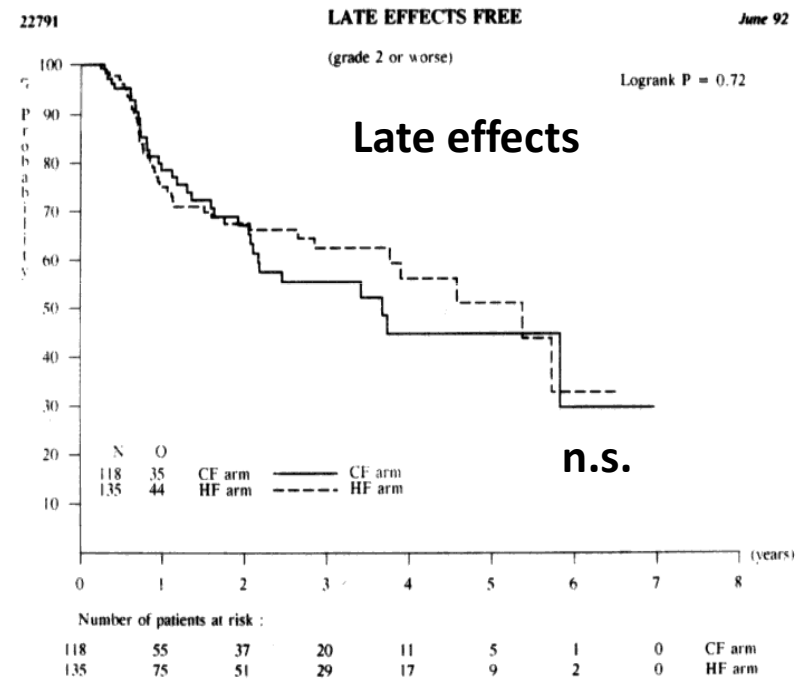
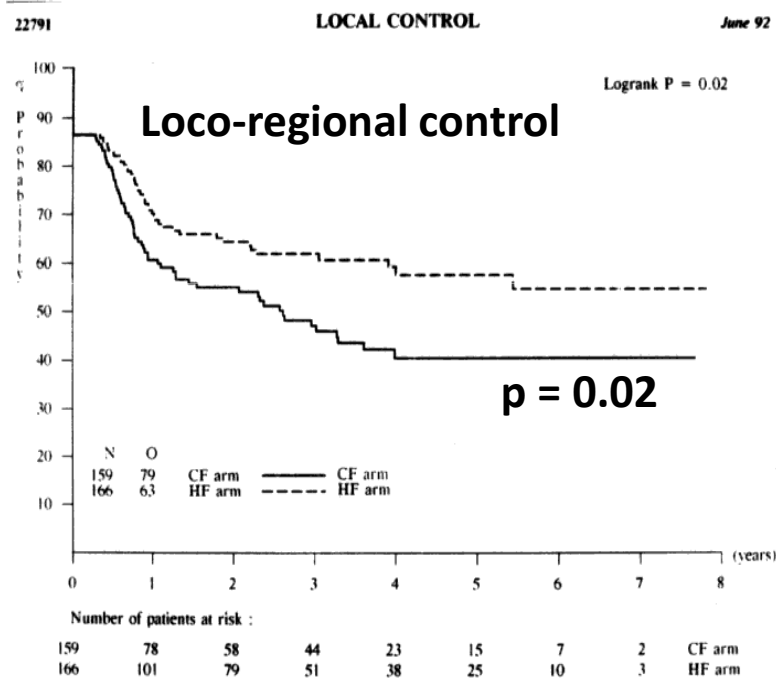
CHART 54 Gy 1.5 Gy x 36 2 wks.



EORTC 22791

Hyperfractionation

356 pts. T2-T3 N0-N1 oropharynx



Improved Therapeutic Ratio:

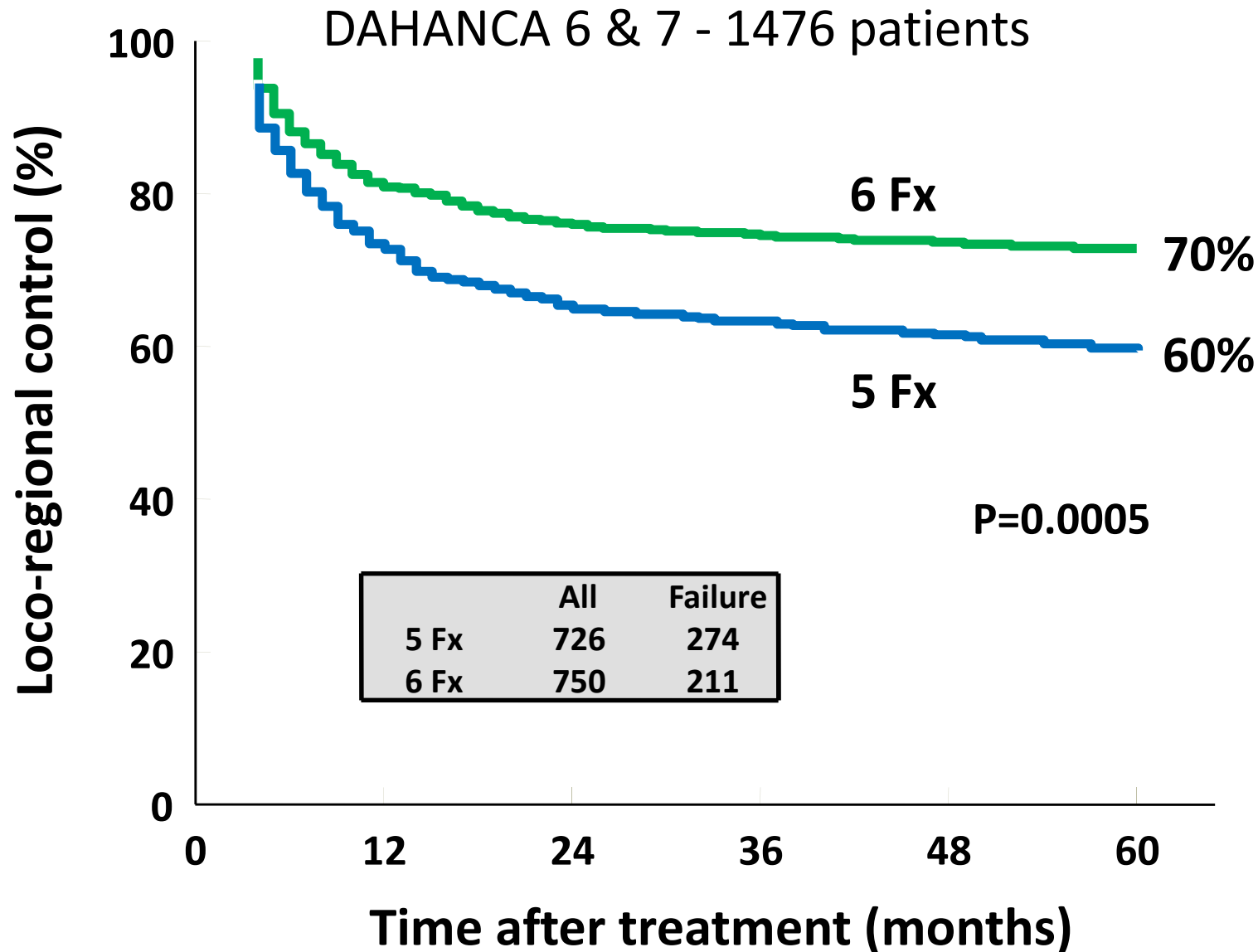
Increase in tumor control with same late morbidity

Fractionation studies in head and neck cancer



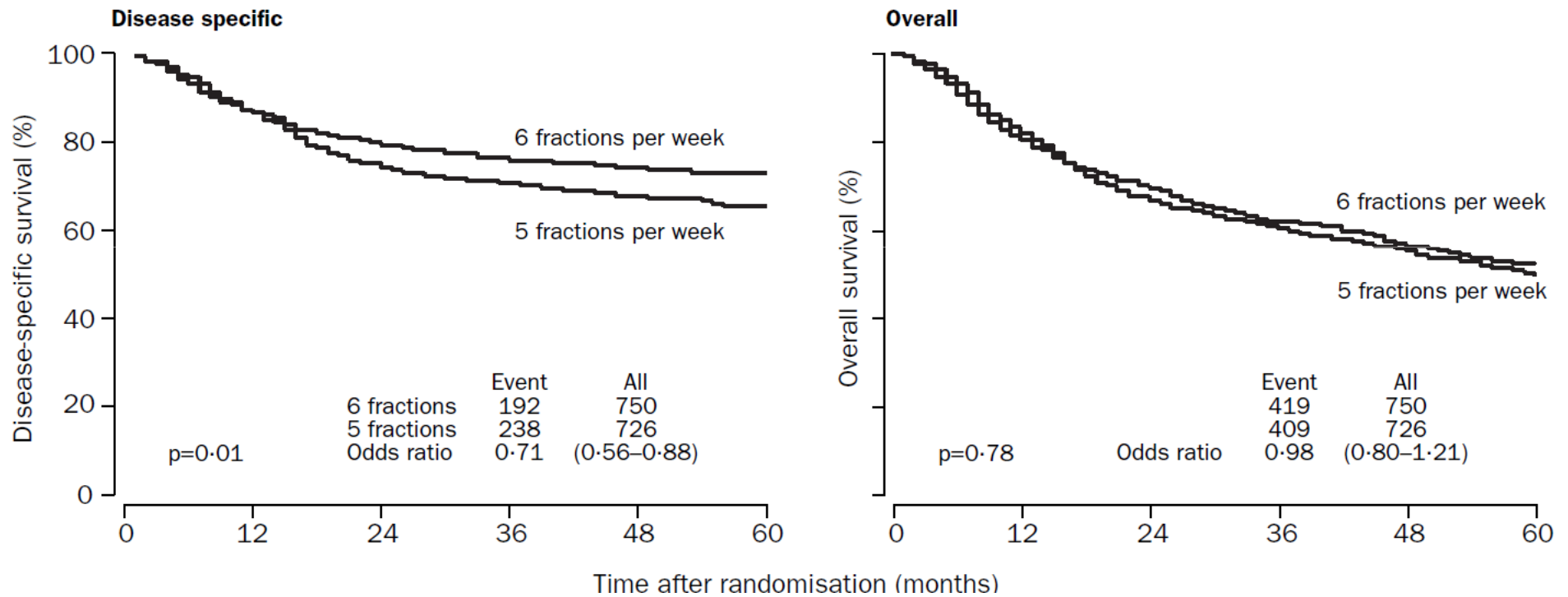
**Accelerated
fractionation**

Loco-regional control – acc. RT

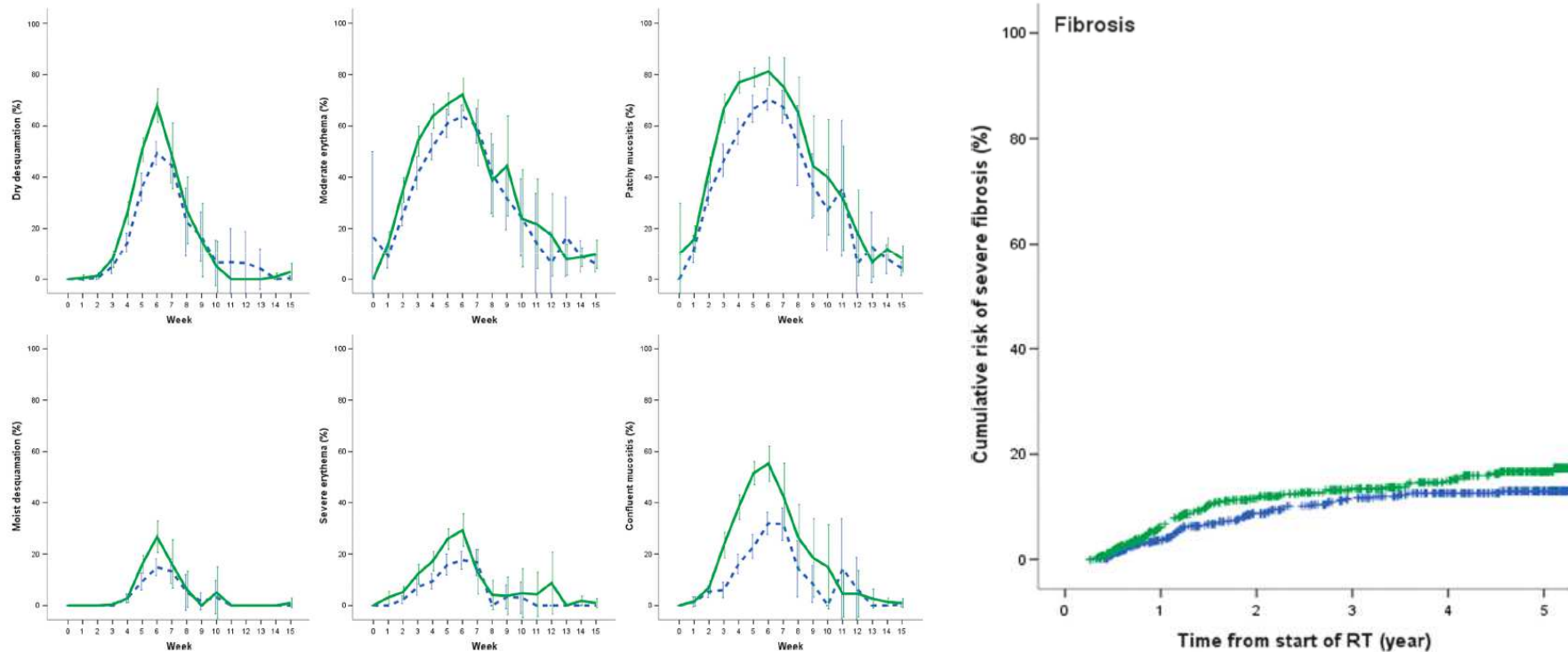


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Survival

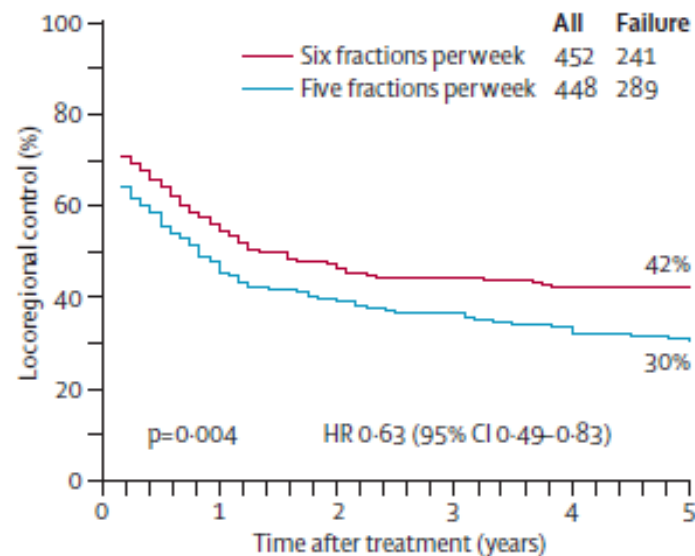


Morbidity – acc. radiotherapy DAHANCA 6 & 7

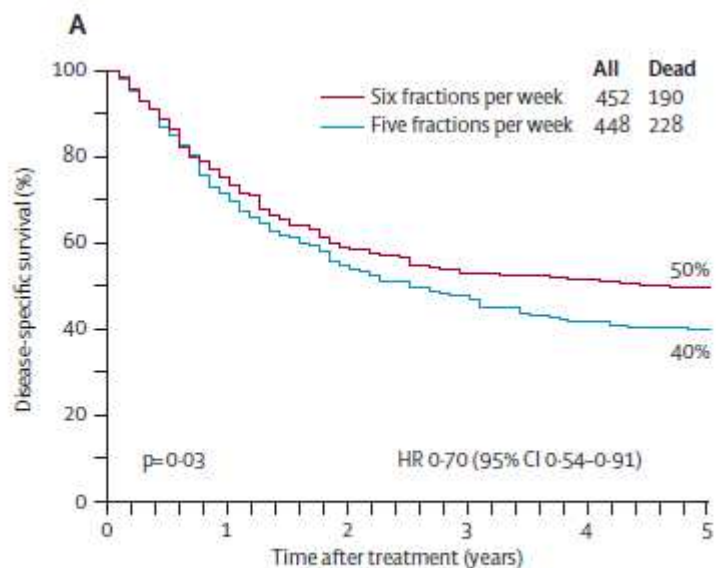


IAEA-ACC study

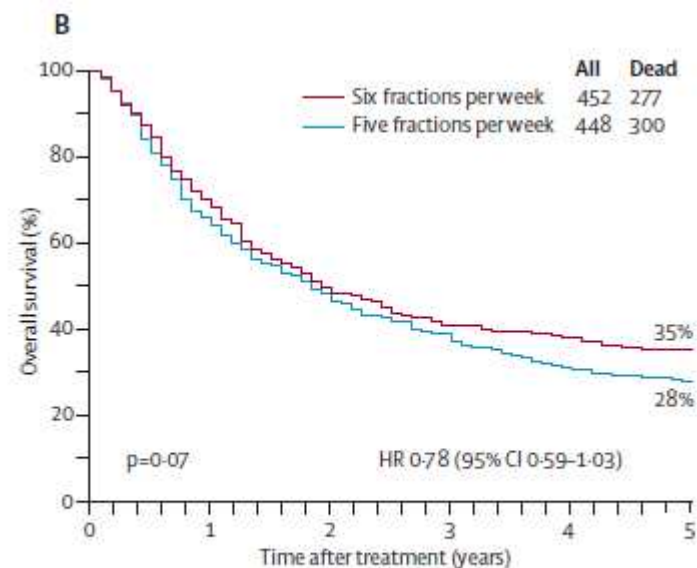
| | Five fractions per week (N=448) | Six fractions per week (N=452) |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Recruiting centre | | |
| New Delhi | 126 (28%) | 128 (28%) |
| Peshawar | 104 (23%) | 105 (23%) |
| Islamabad | 70 (16%) | 69 (15%) |
| Mumbai | 64 (14%) | 63 (14%) |
| Tallinn | 53 (12%) | 53 (12%) |
| Santiago | 14 (3%) | 12 (3%) |
| Riyadh | 9 (2%) | 10 (2%) |
| Cape Town | 6 (1%) | 10 (2%) |
| Beirut | 2 (1%) | 2 (1%) |



| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Six fractions per week | 452 | 213 | 122 | 84 |
| Five fractions per week | 448 | 184 | 104 | 62 |



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| Five fractions per week | 448 | 278 | 142 | 81 |



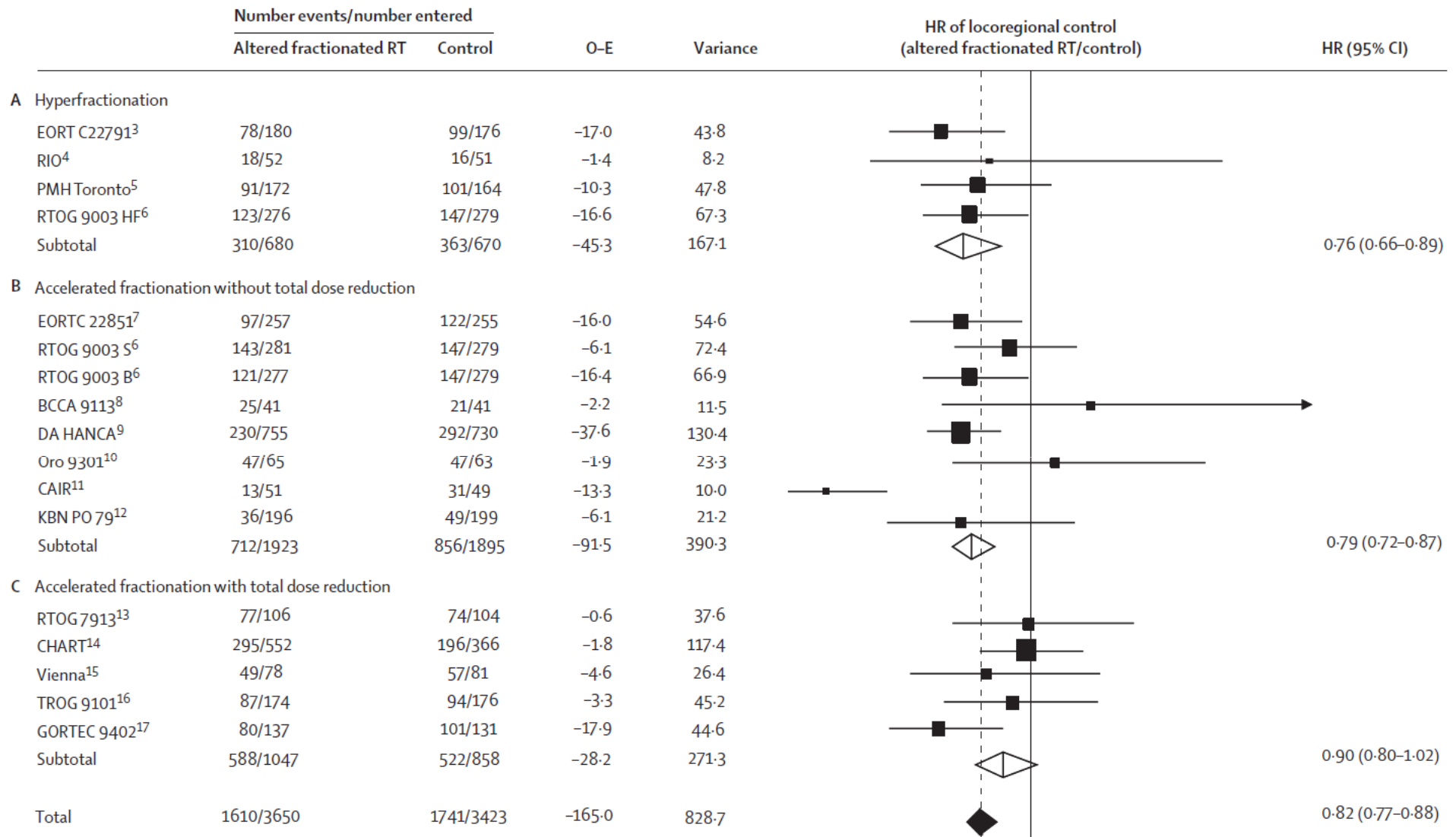
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Lancet 2006; 368: 843-54

Hyperfractionated or accelerated radiotherapy in head and neck cancer: a meta-analysis

Jean Bourhis, Jens Overgaard, Hélène Audry, Kian K Ang, Michele Saunders, Jacques Bernier, Jean-Claude Horiot, Aurélie Le Maître, Thomas F Pajak, Michael G Poulsen, Brian O'Sullivan, Werner Dobrowsky, Andrzej Hliniak, Krzysztof Skladowski, John H Hay, Luiz H J Pinto, Carlo Fallai, Karen K Fu, Richard Sylvester, Jean-Pierre Pignon, on behalf of the Meta-Analysis of Radiotherapy in Carcinomas of Head and neck (MARCH) Collaborative Group*

Loco-regional control



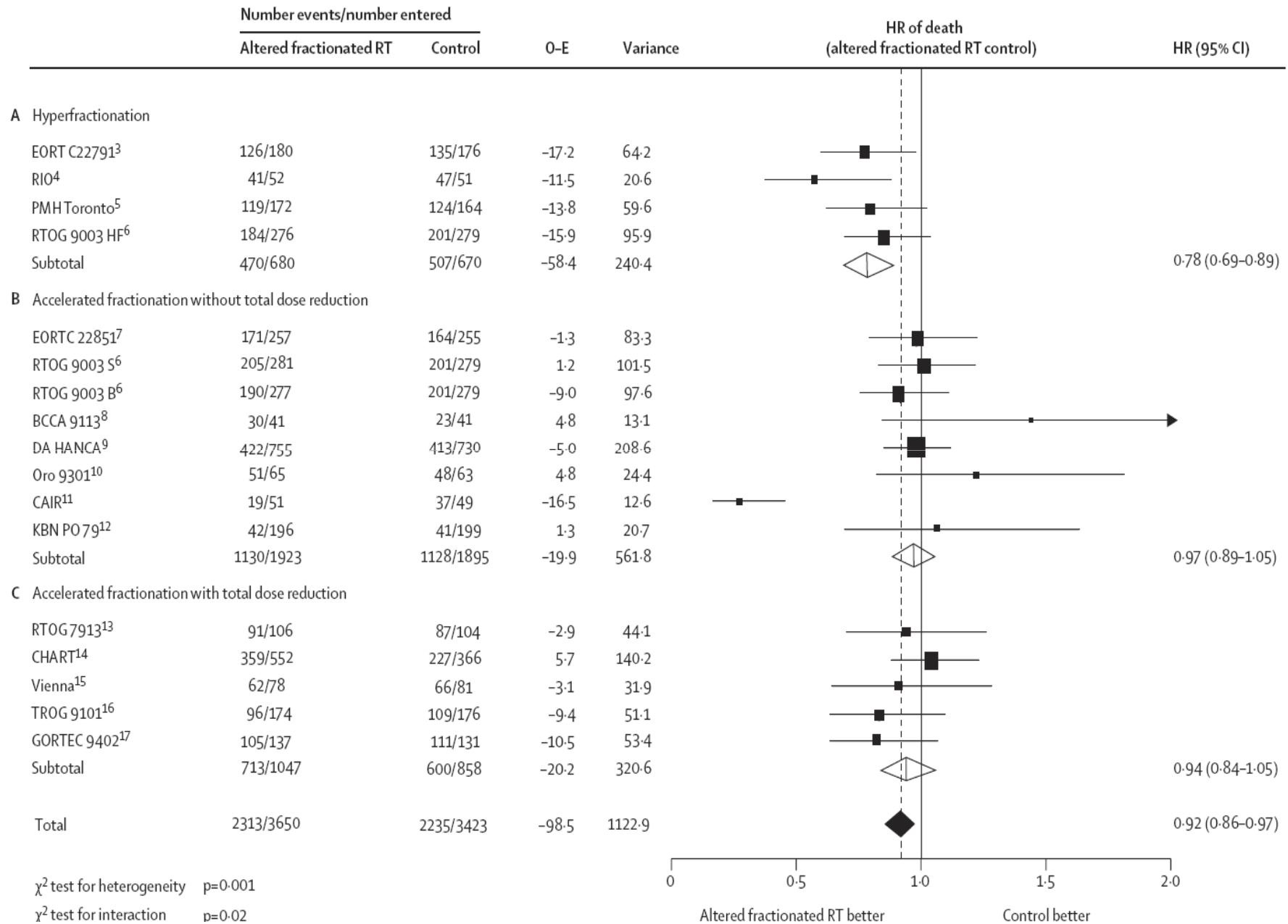
χ^2 test for heterogeneity $p=0.03$

χ^2 test for interaction $p=0.15$

$I^2=44\%$

0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0
 Altered fractionated RT better Control better
 Altered fractionated RT effect with $p<0.0001$

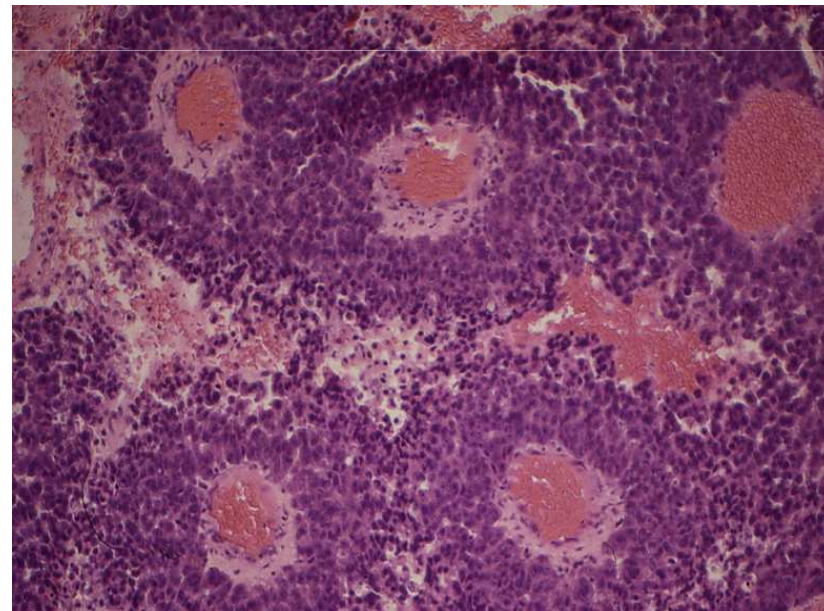
Survival



Conclusion - fractionation

- Awareness of the fractionation sensitivity of tumors and normal tissues is critical
- Clinical studies and meta-analysis have shown that moderately accelerated radiotherapy improves loco-regional control
- Hyperfractionated RT improves loco-regional control and survival
- Altered fractionation is thus recommended for primary radiotherapy of head and neck cancer

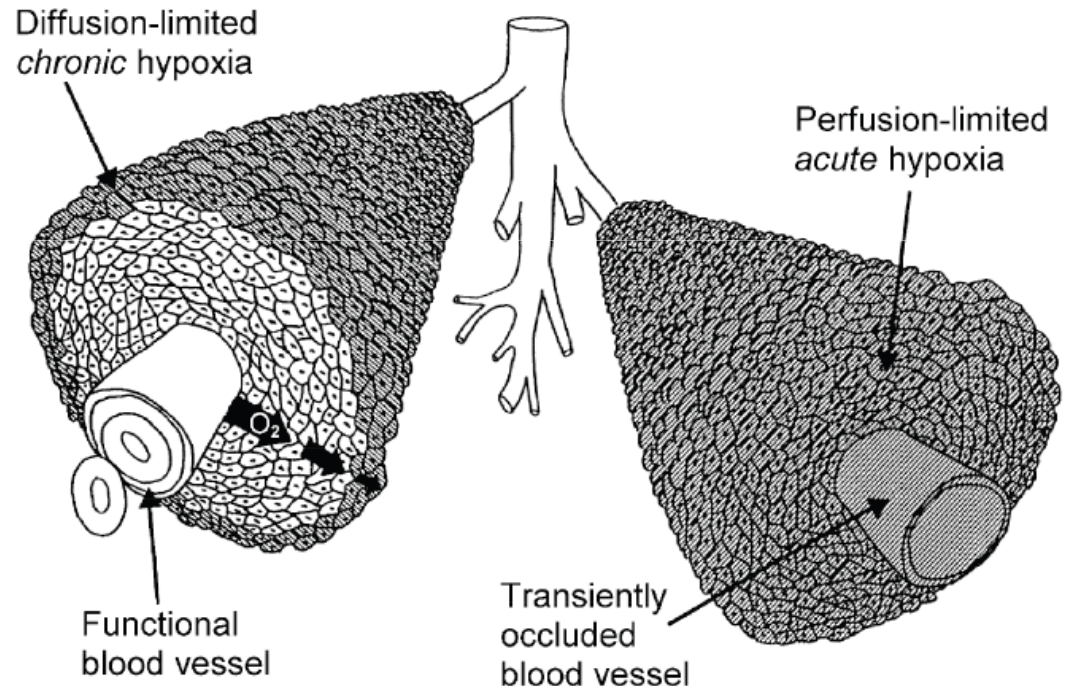
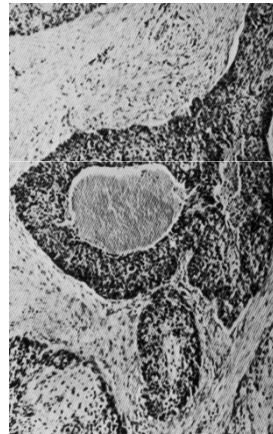
Hypoxia



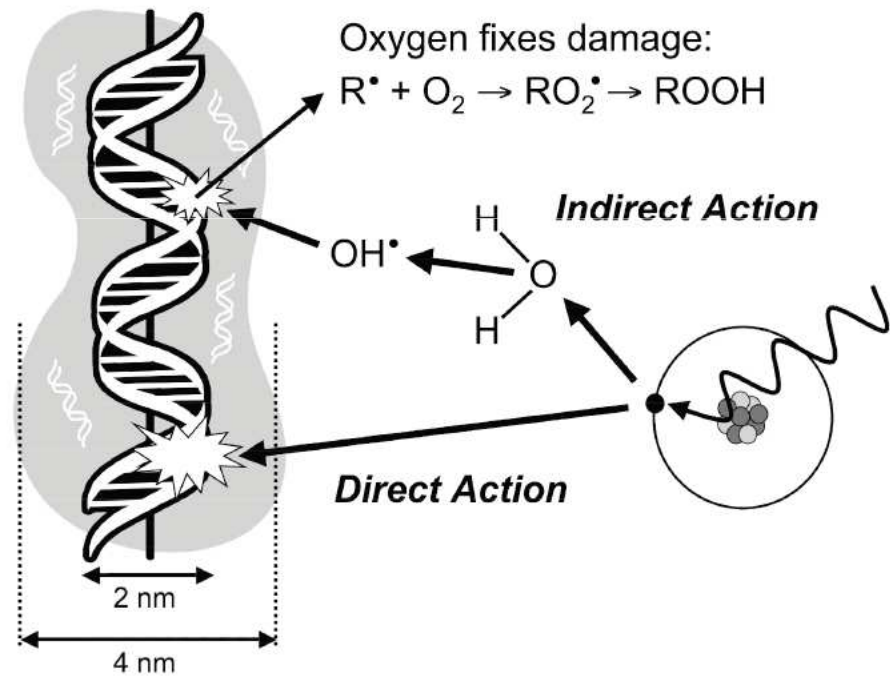
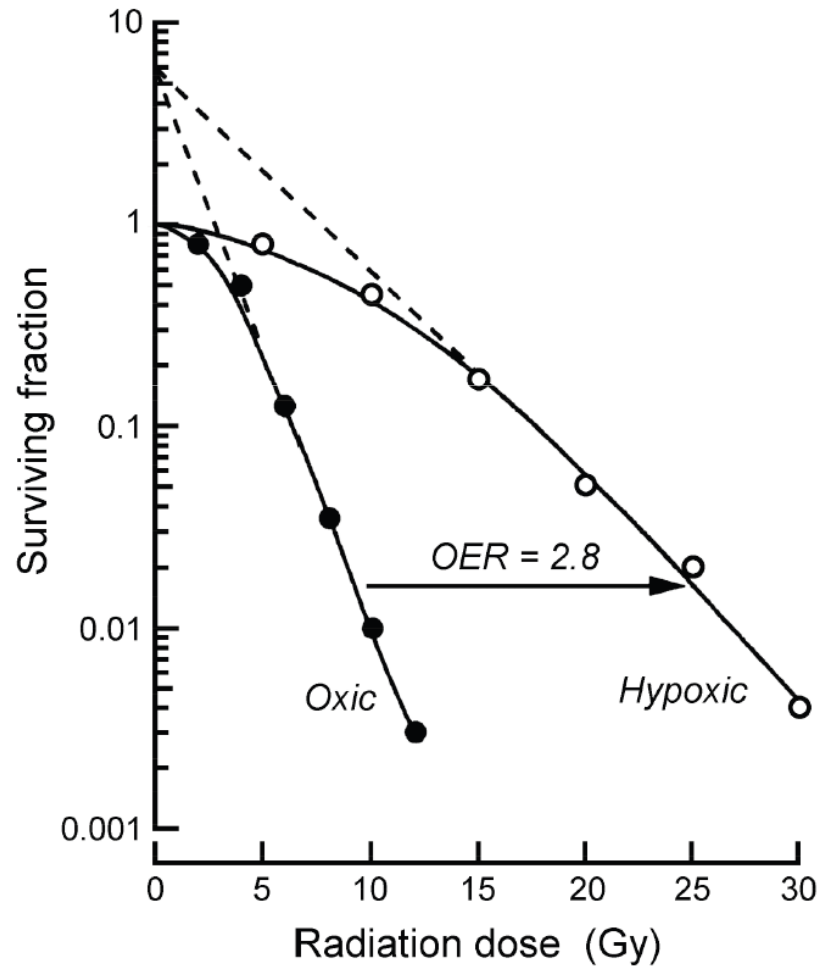
Hypoxia in human tumors

Thomlinson &
Gray 1955

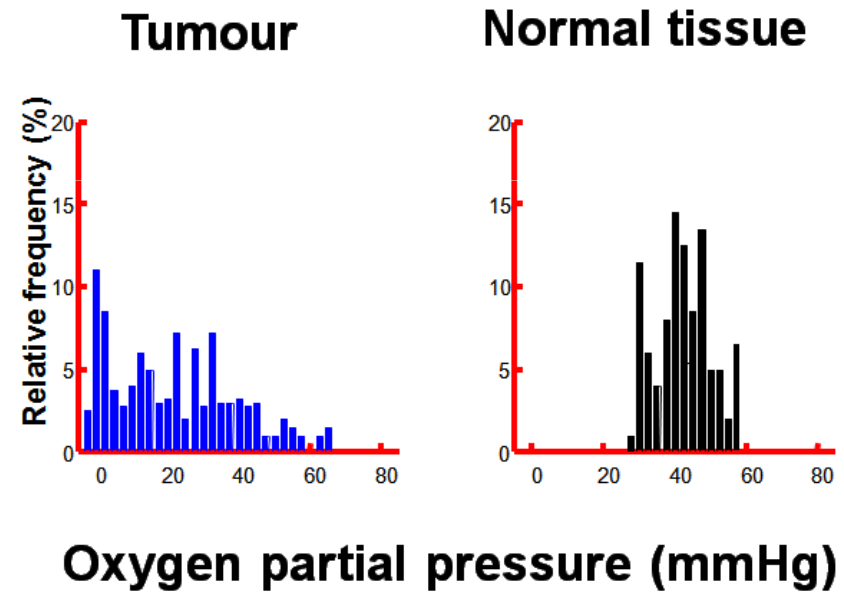
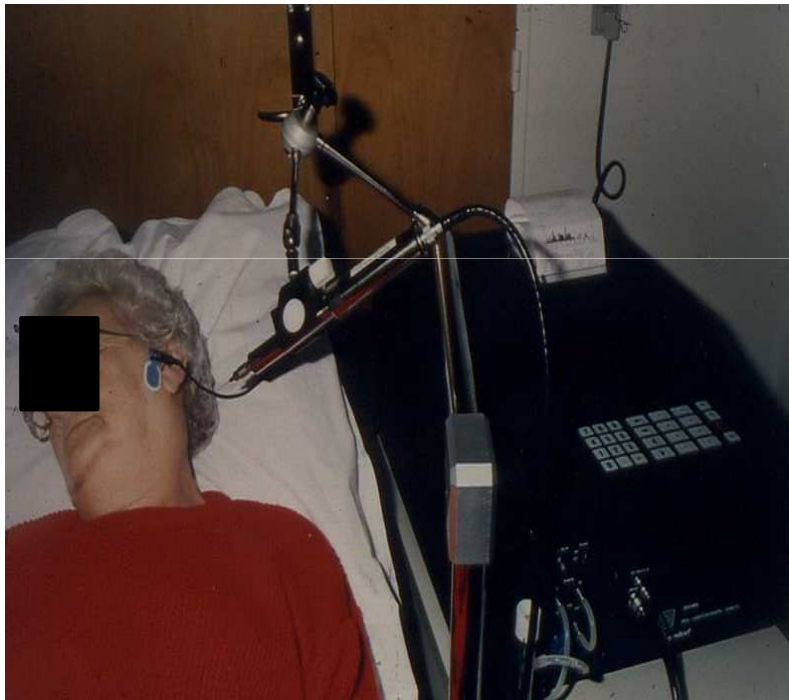
Cord structure
in lung cancer
(150 μm)



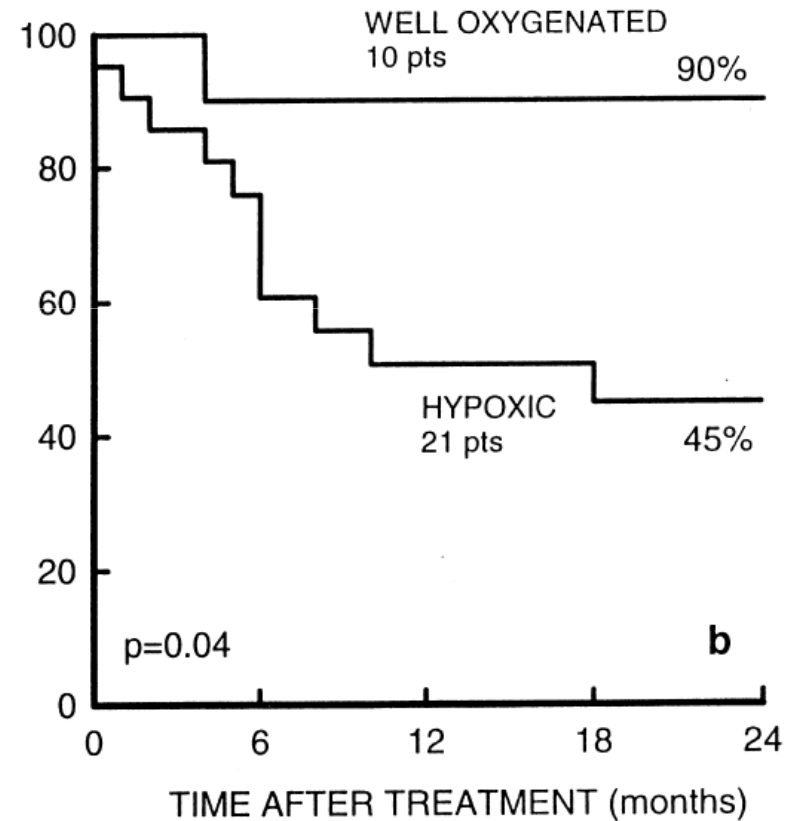
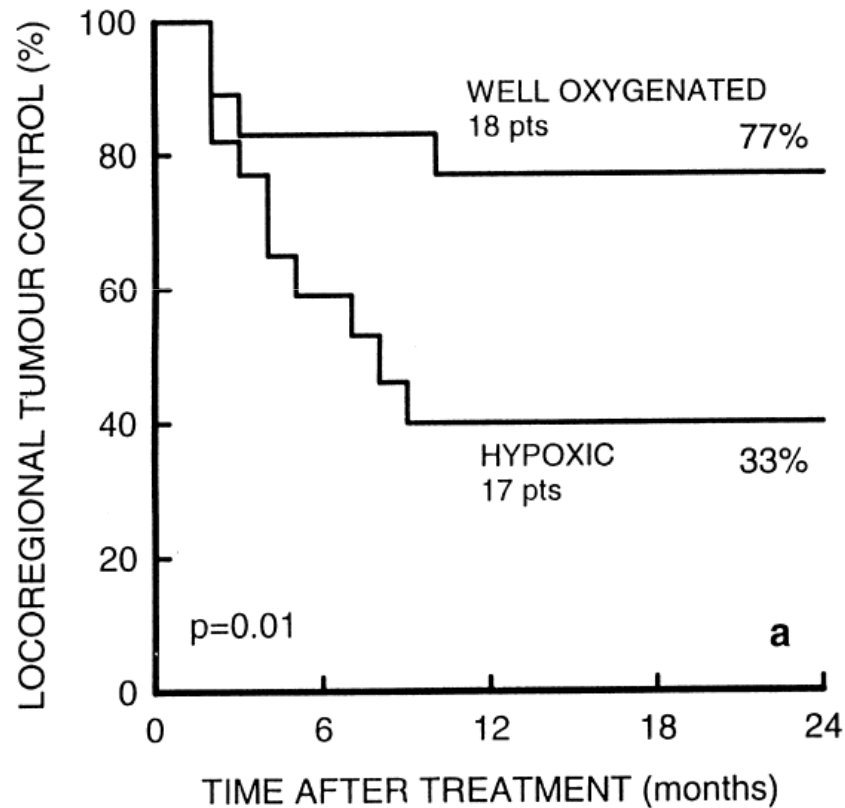
Oxygen effect



pO₂ measurement with Eppendorph electrode

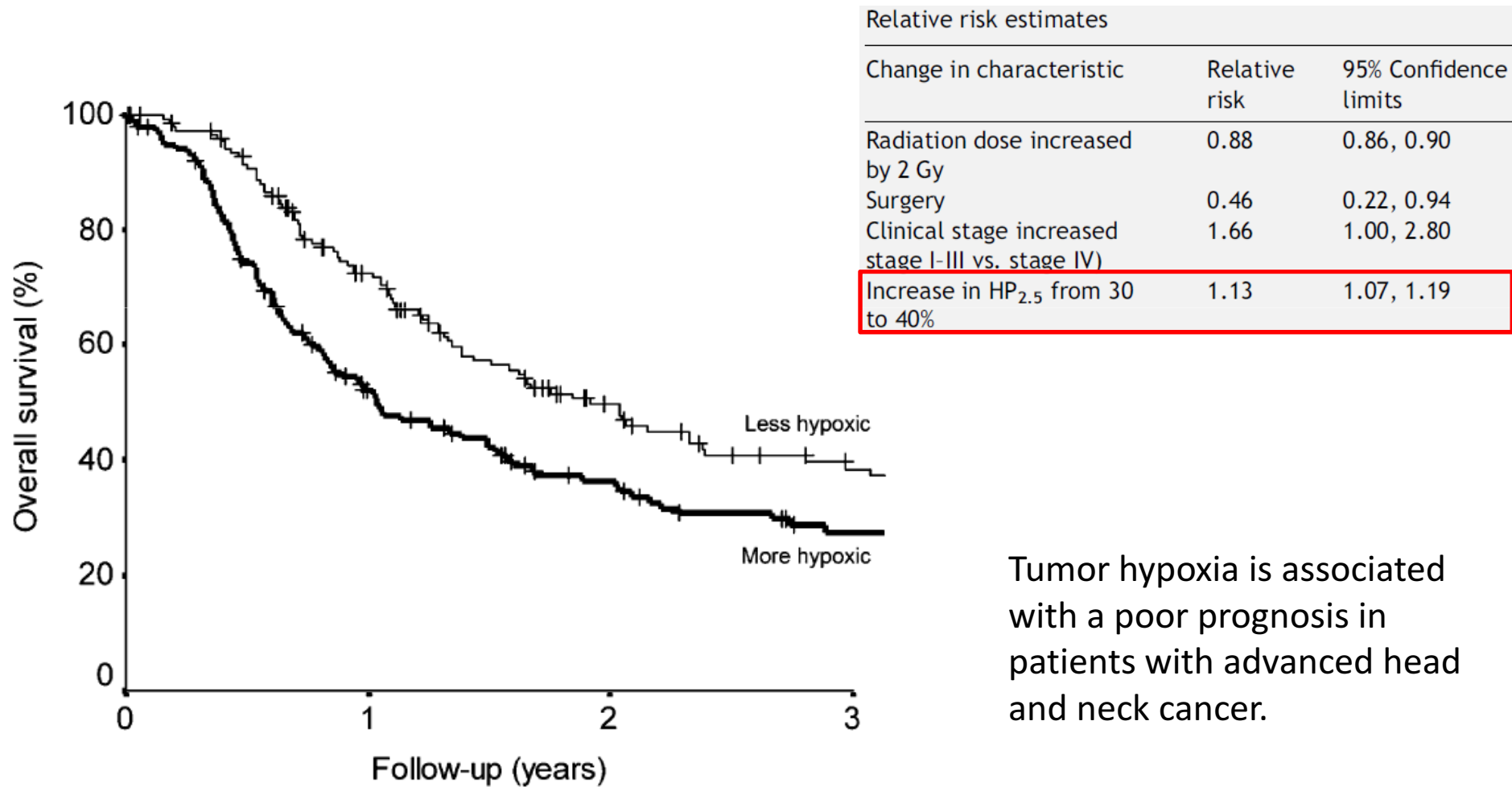


pO₂ and loco-regional control



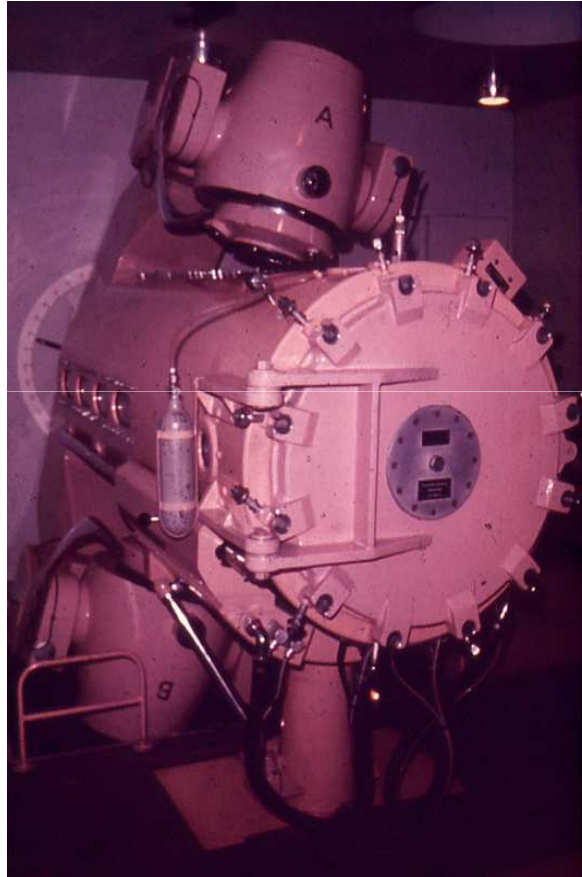
pO₂ and survival – pooled data

HN cancer, pooled data from 7 studies (n=397)



Tumor hypoxia is associated with a poor prognosis in patients with advanced head and neck cancer.

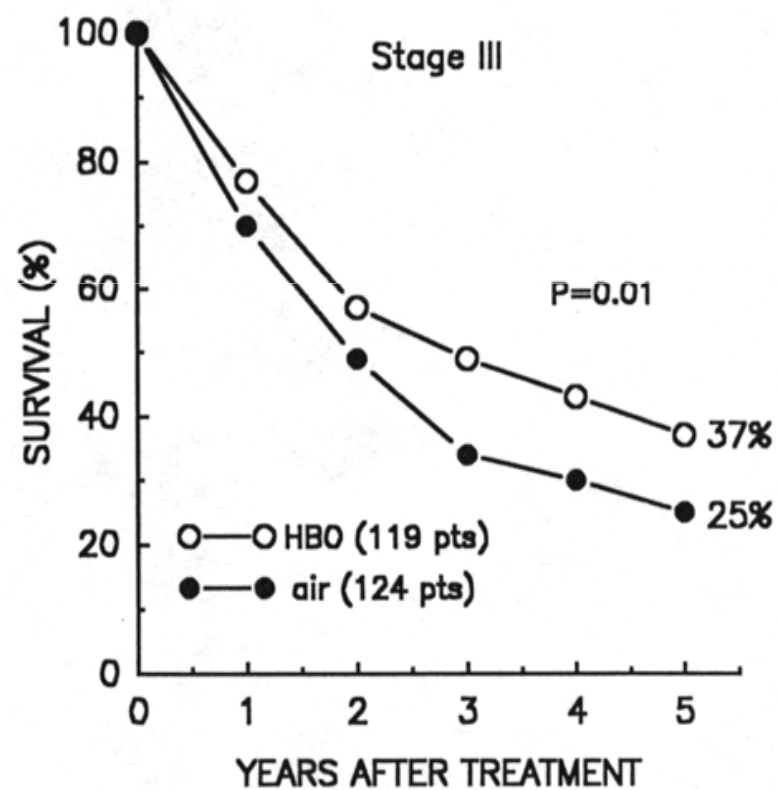
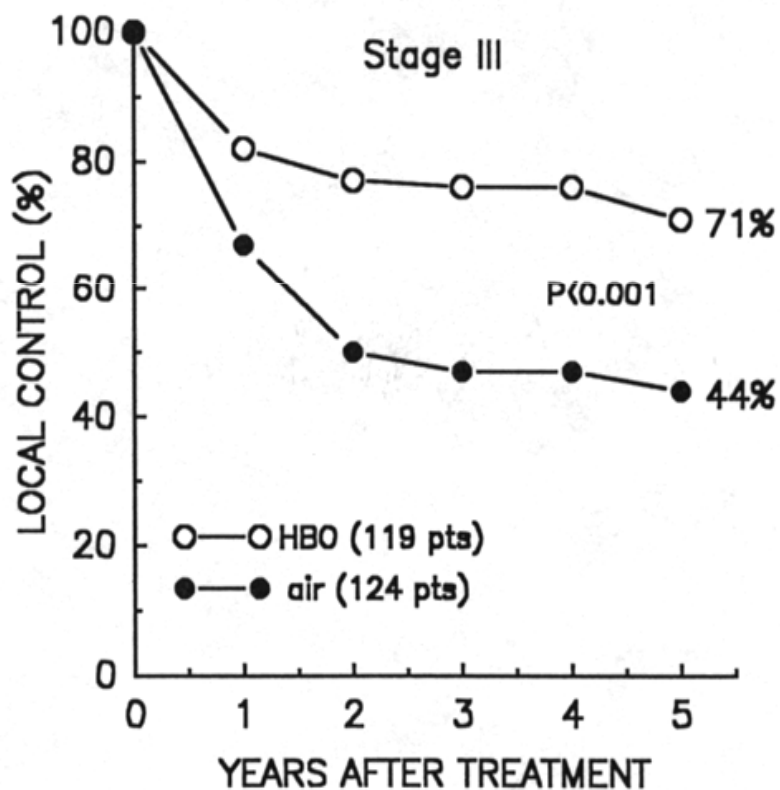
Hyperbaric oxygen



First hyperbaric oxygen treatment. 1955, St. Thomas' Hospital, London

Hyperbaric oxygen and radiotherapy

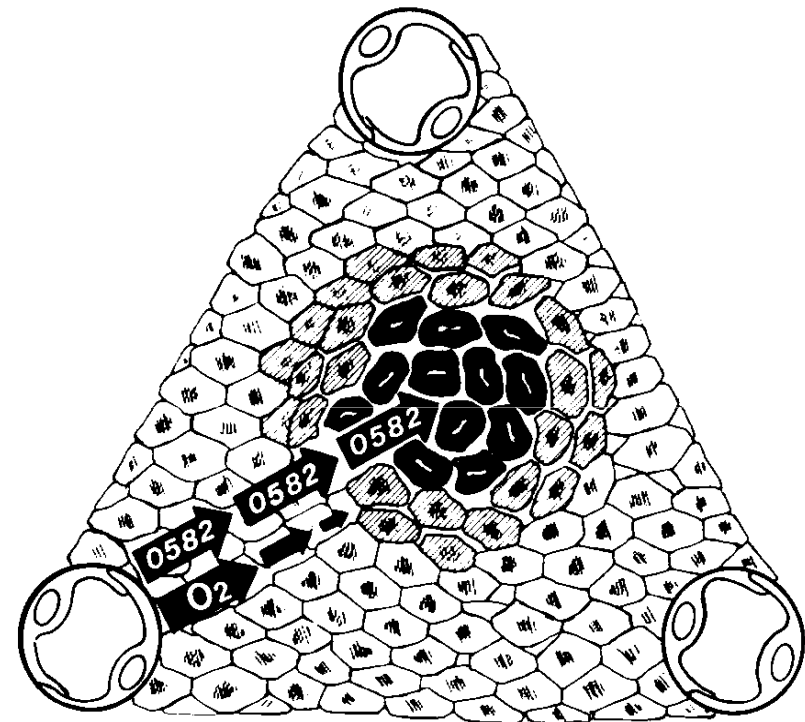
MRC trial (cervix)






Watson *et al.* (1978).

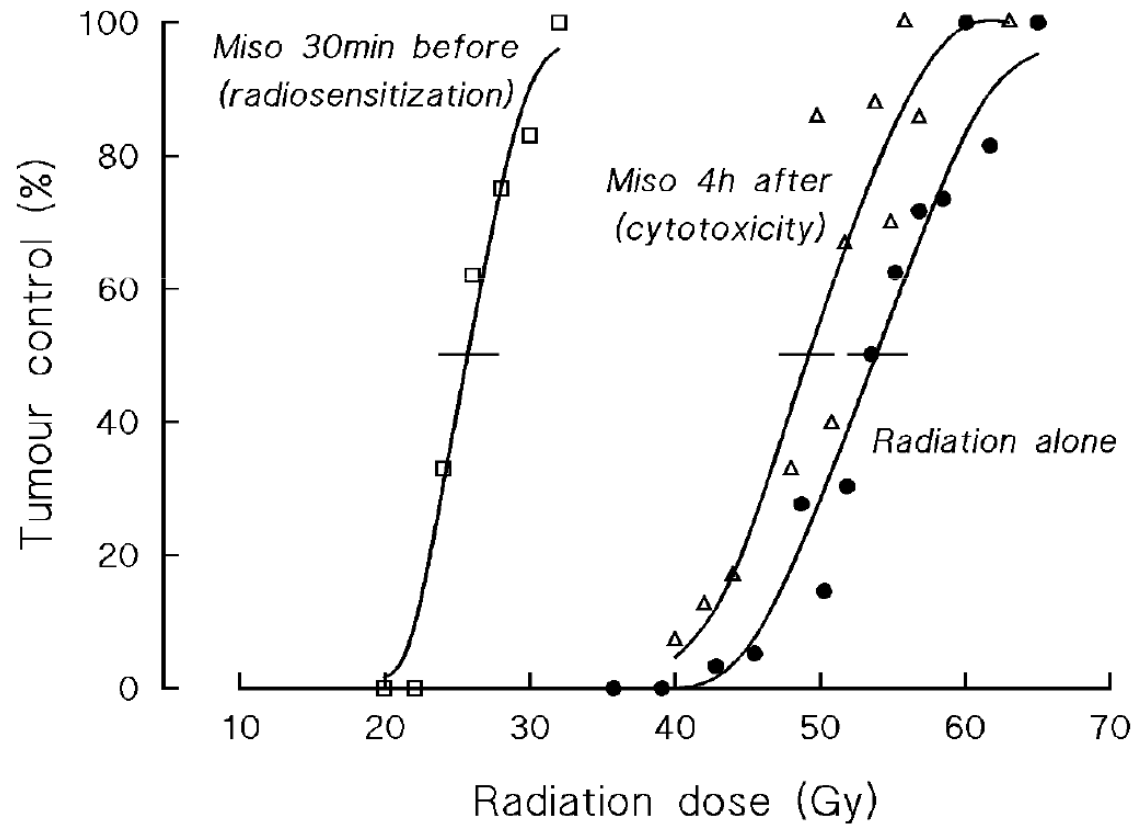
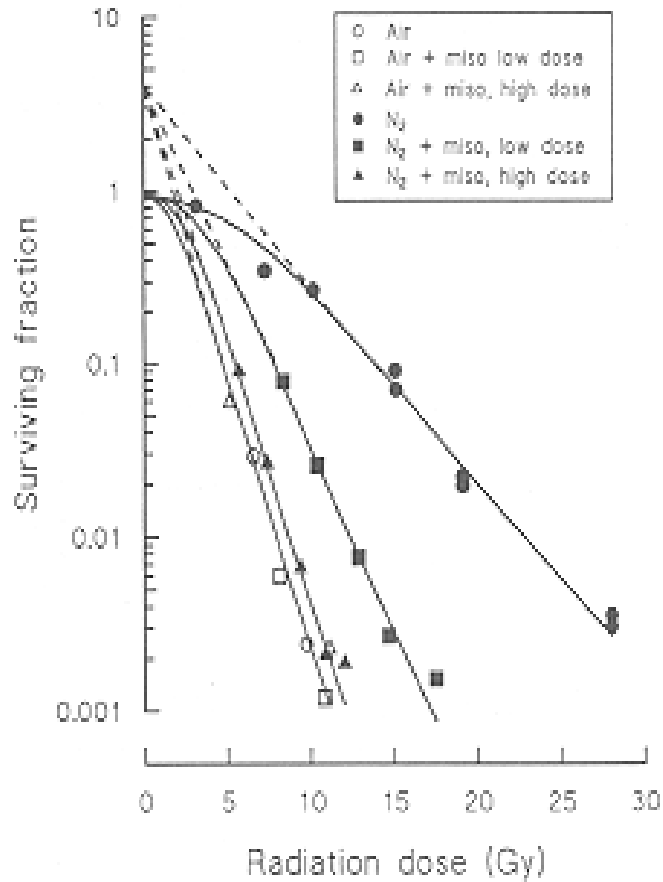
Hypoxic cell radiosensitizers

A drug which selectively sensitizes hypoxic cells to the effect of ionizing irradiation by mimicking the role of oxygen in radiation damage fixation



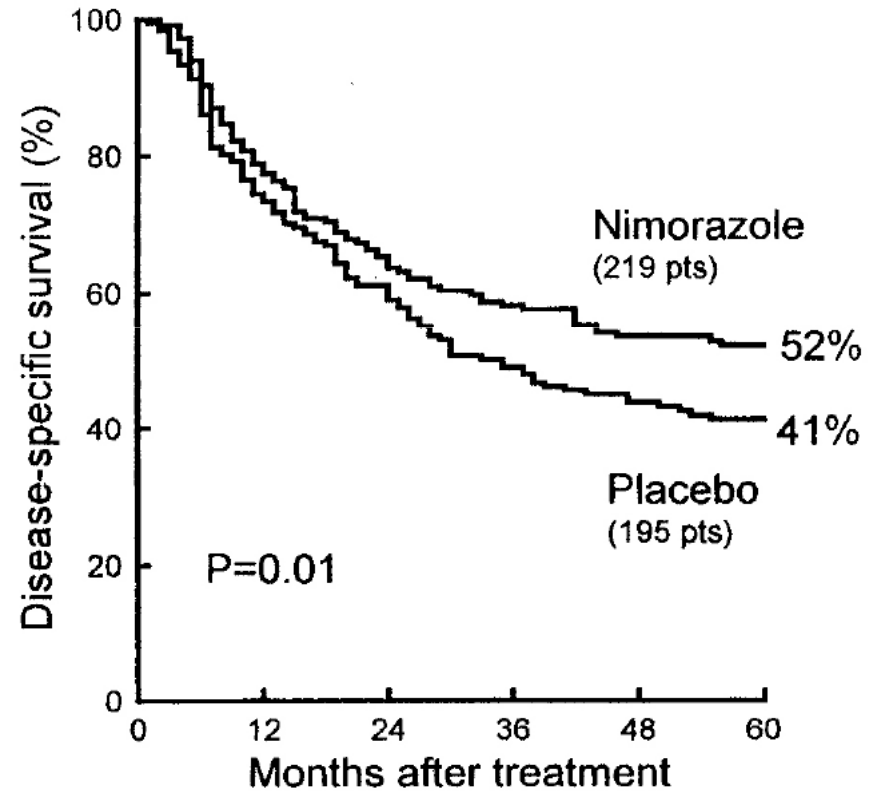
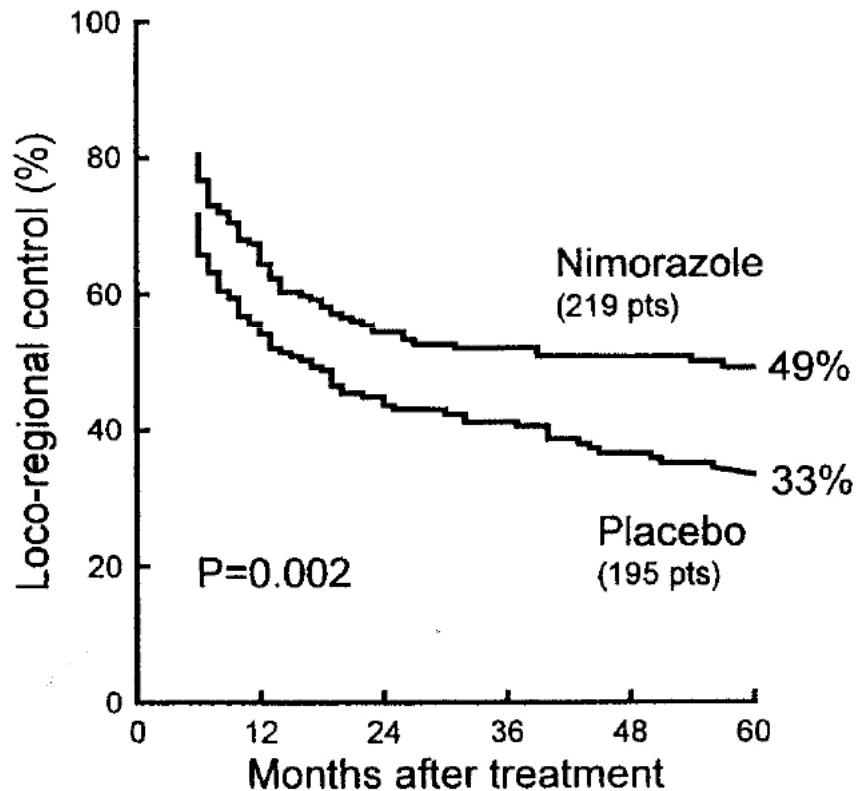
-  AERATED CELL
-  HYPOXIC VIABLE CELL
-  ANOXIC NECROTIC CELL

Hypoxic cell radiosensitizers: misonidazole



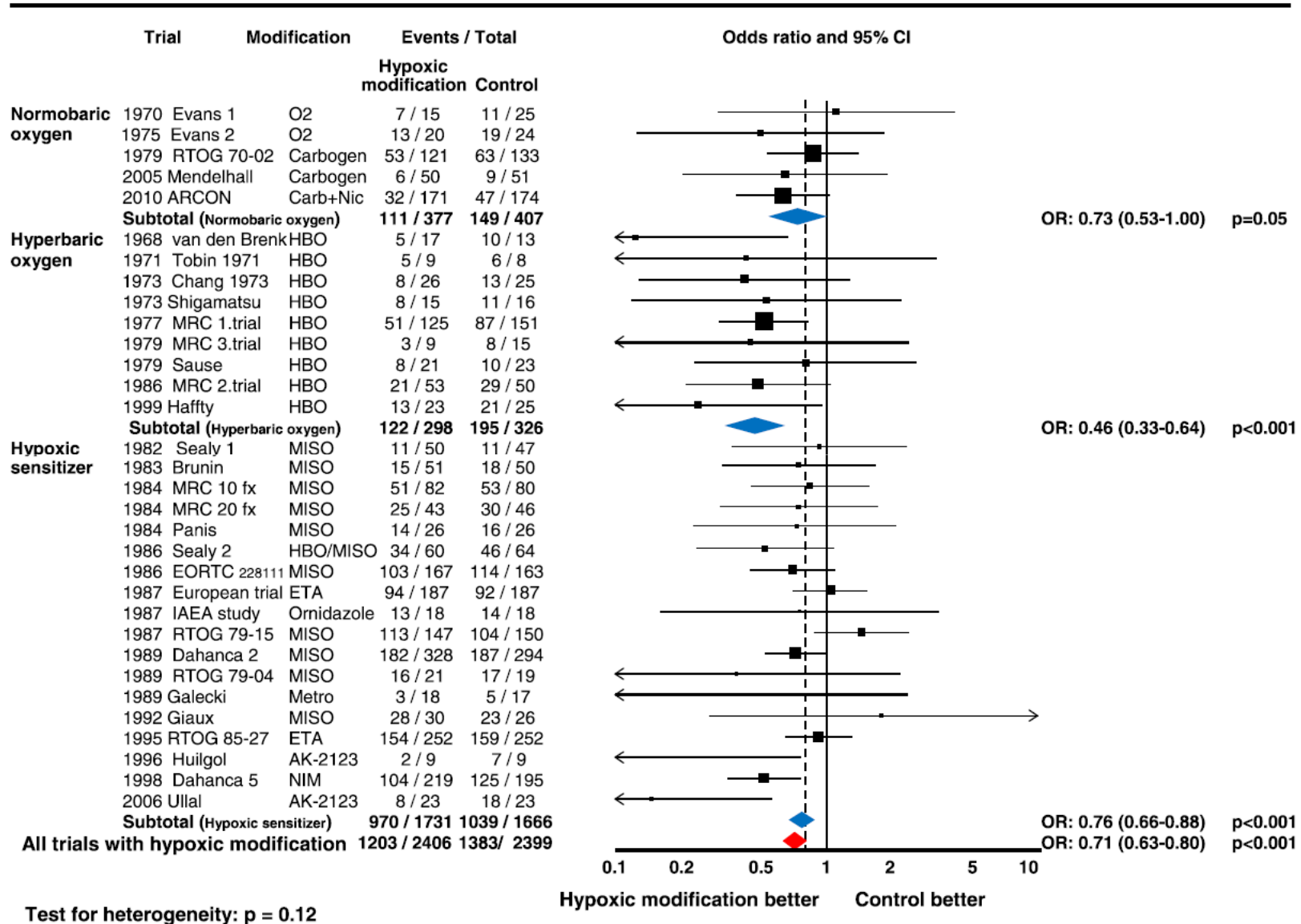
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SUPRAGLOTTIC AND PHARYNX - 414 pts.
NIMORAZOLE vs PLACEBO (66 Gy/ 33 fx - 6.5 wk)



Since 1991 nimorazole has been standard for all HN SCC patients undergoing primary radiotherapy in Denmark.

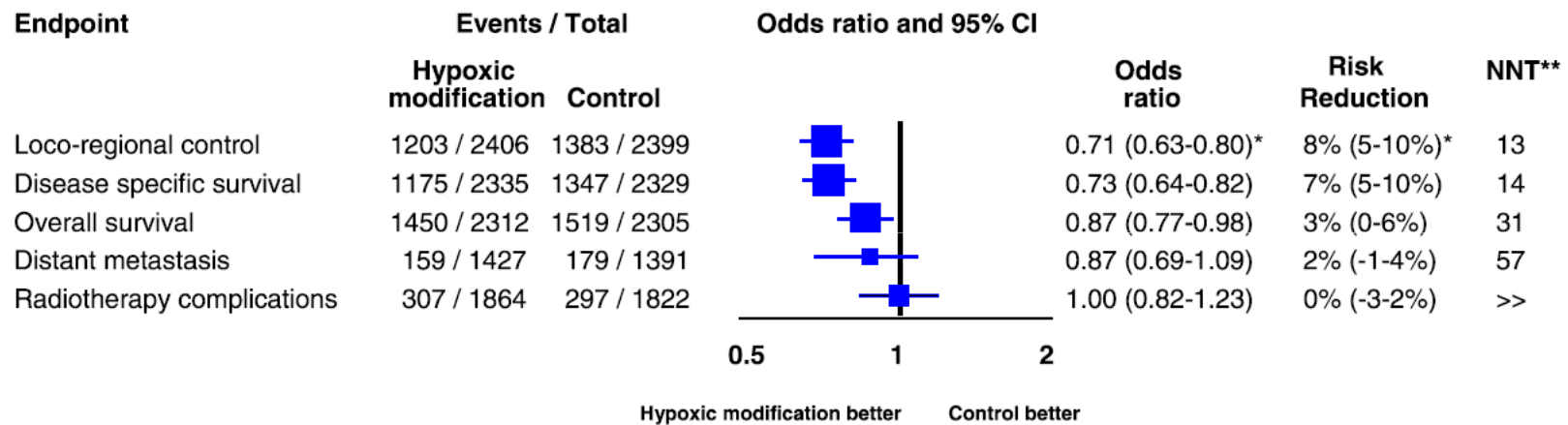
Endpoint: Loco-regional failure



Hypoxic modification – meta-analysis

4805 patients; 32 randomized clinical trials – Overgaard 2011

Head and neck cancer - meta analysis - summary



**Hypoxic modification works
- but is it relevant for all patients?**

Overgaard J. Hypoxic modification of radiotherapy in squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck – A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Radiother Oncol (2011)

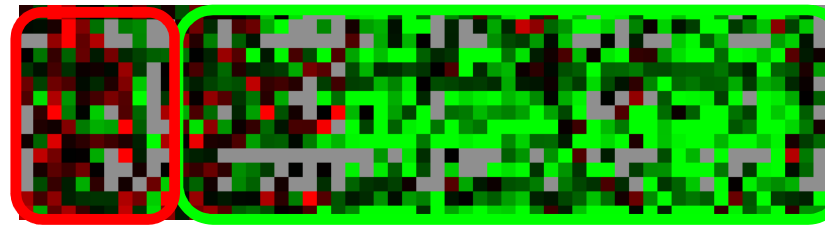
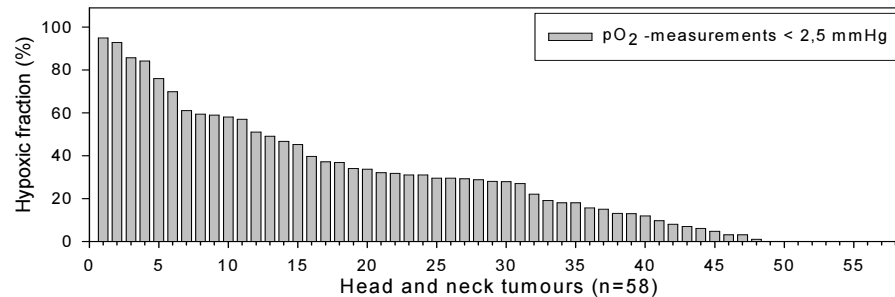
Hypoxia-classification

15-gene hypoxia classifier

- Based on hypoxia induced genes (in vitro/in vivo validated)
- Classification based on gene expression similarity to either "more" or "less" hypoxic tumours as estimated with pO₂-electrode in an independent trainingset of 58 H&N cancer patients



Toustrup K et al,
Cancer Res; 71(17);
5923-31, 2011



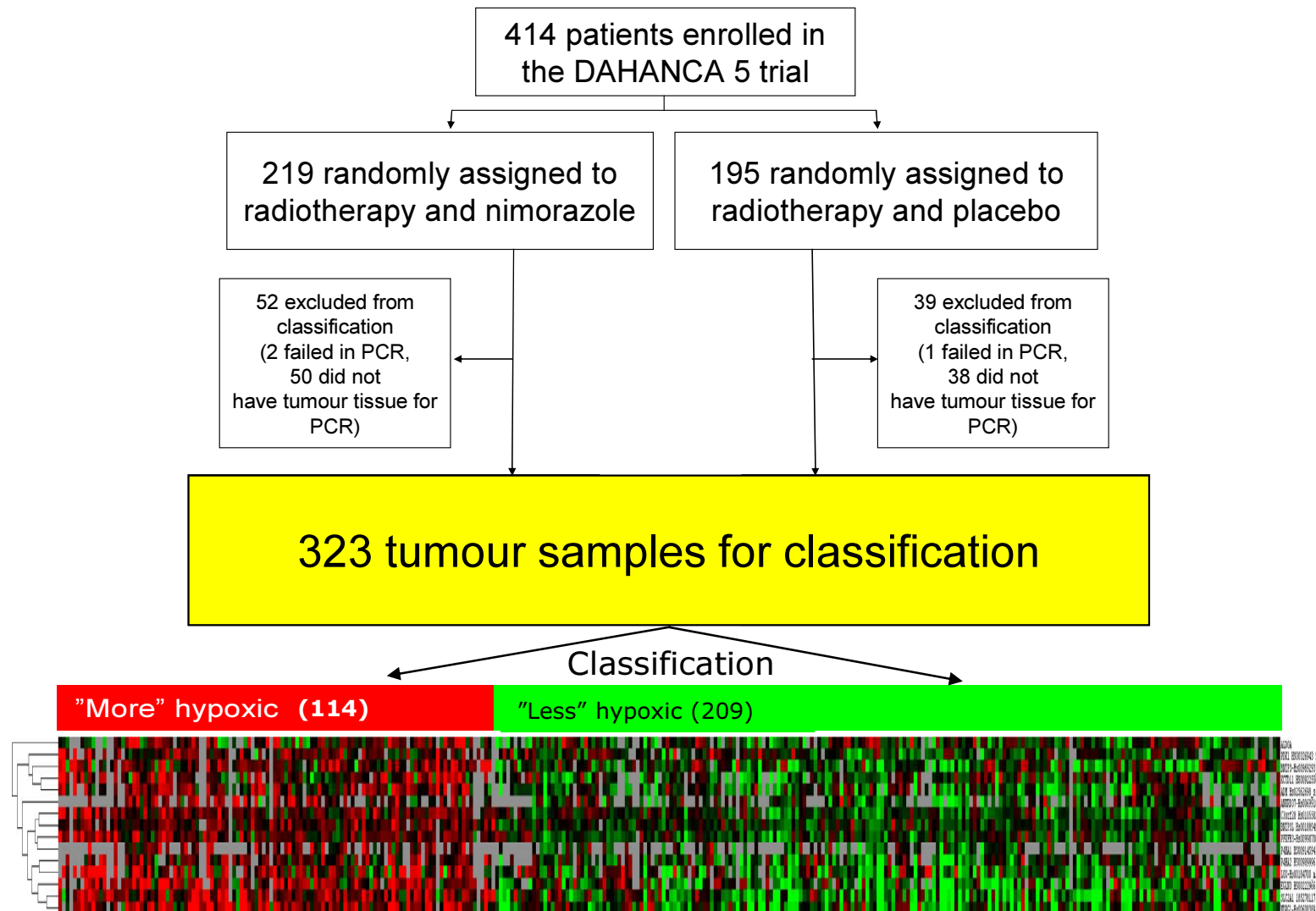
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More
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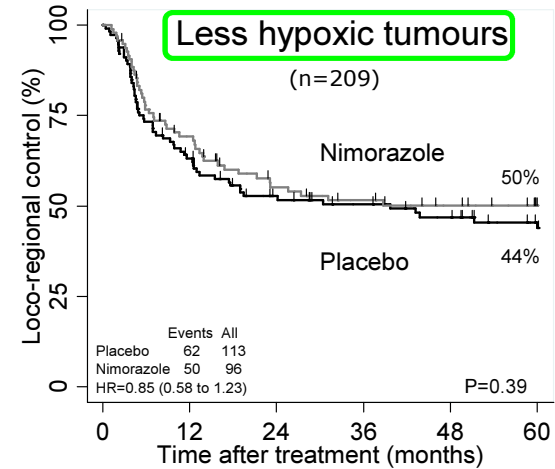
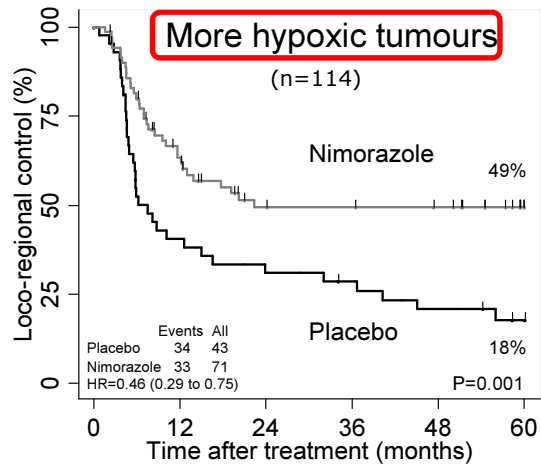
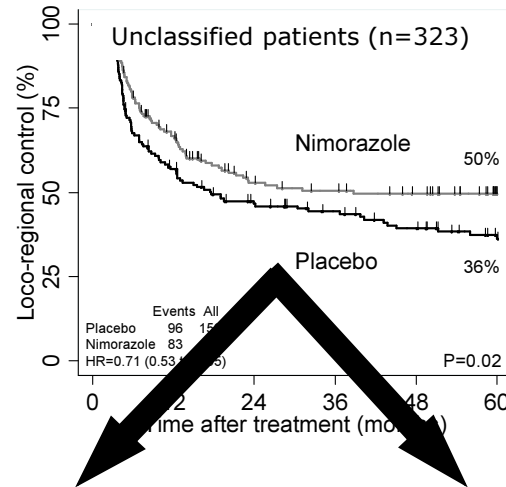
Validating the hypoxia classifier

Independent clinical dataset



Hypoxia-classification

15-gene hypoxia classifier



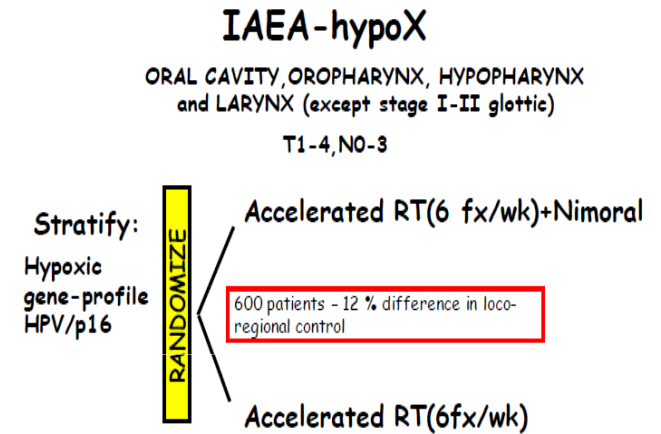
On-going validation studies

IAEA-HypoX

- Randomized phase III; accelerated radiotherapy \pm Nimorazole
 - hypoxia gene expression and HPV/p16
 - Eastern Europe, Asia
 - Recruitment opened 2012

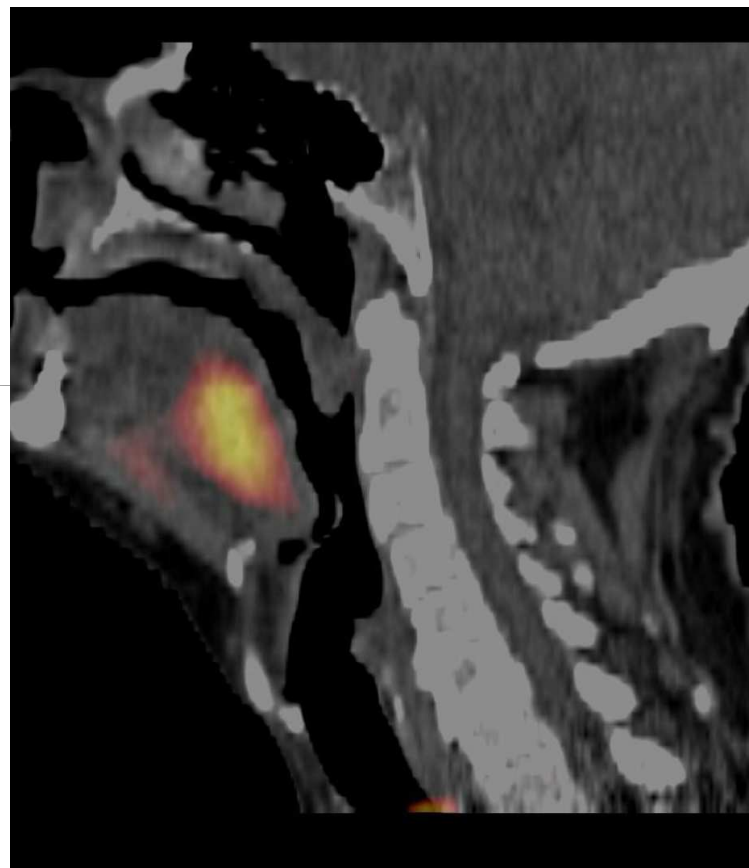
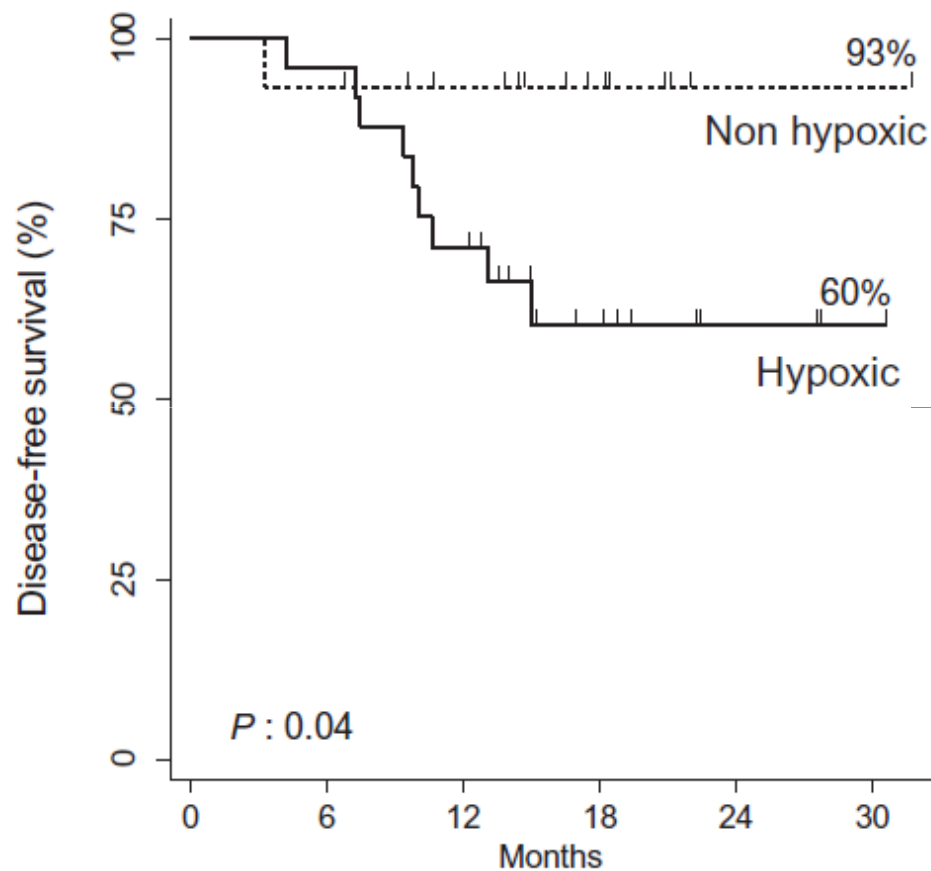
Intergroup EORTC - ROG HNCG 1219 DAHANCA

- Randomized phase III; accelerated chemoradiotherapy \pm Nimorazole
 - hypoxia gene expression and HPV/p16
 - Europe, Canada
 - Recruitment starting 2013



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FAZA-PET



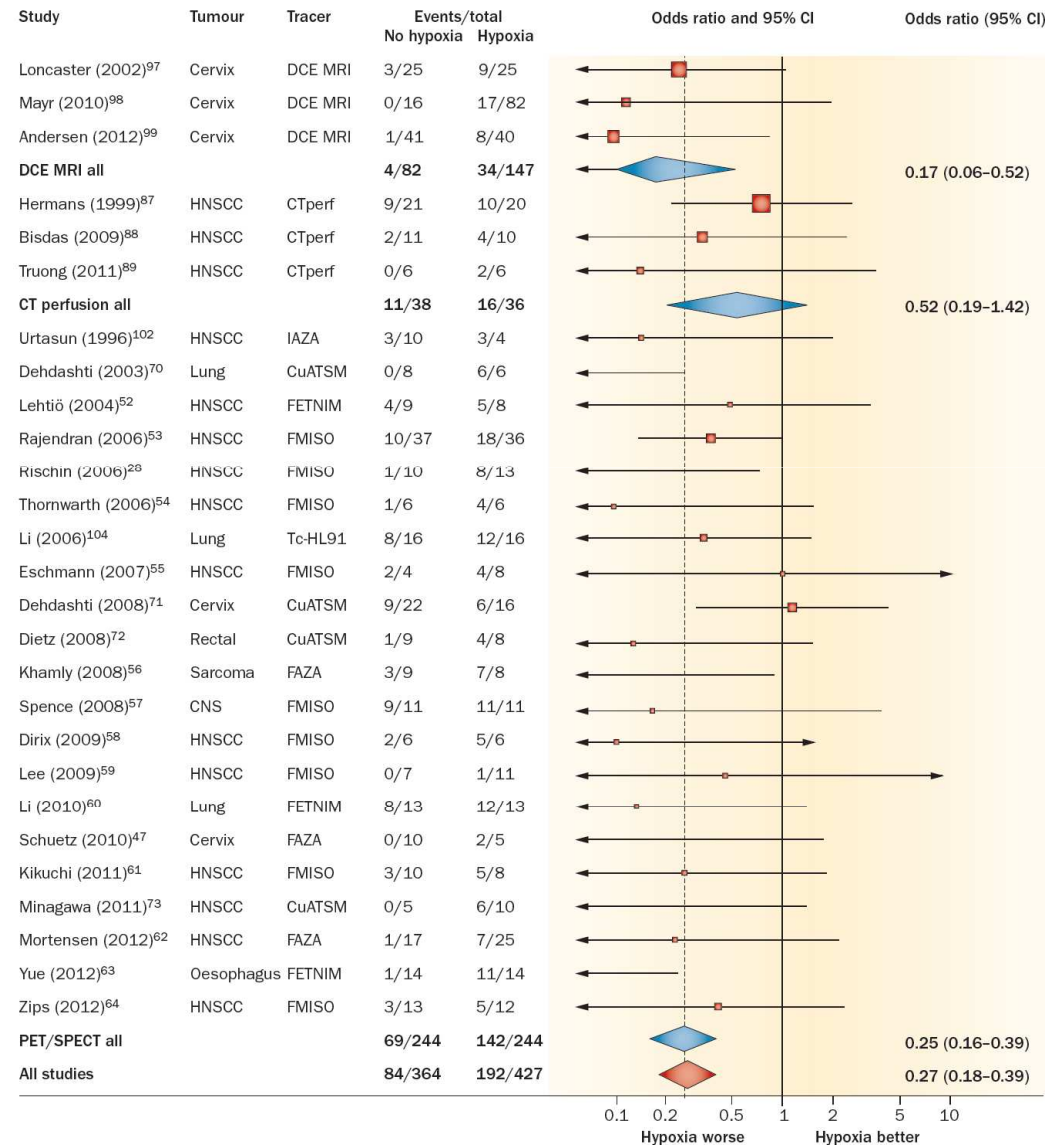
Pts at risk:

| | | | | | | |
|--------------|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| Non hypoxic: | 15 | 14 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Hypoxic: | 25 | 24 | 17 | 8 | 3 | 1 |

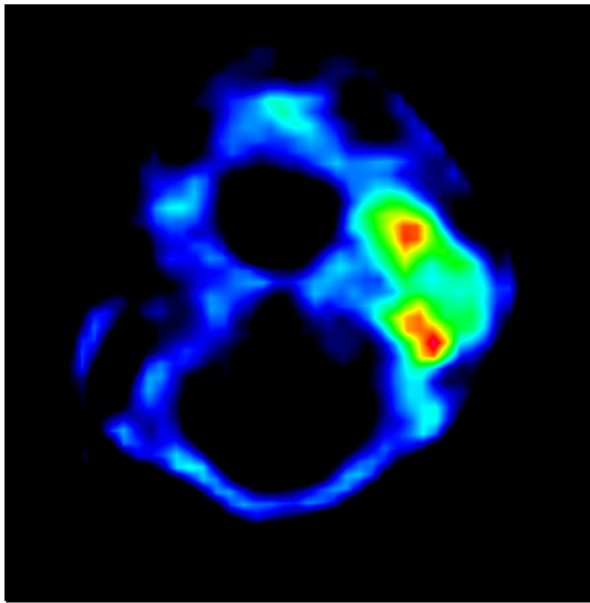
Pre-treatment hypoxia imaging with CT-perfusion, DCE-MRI and PET is prognostic for outcome of HN RT

Prognostic....

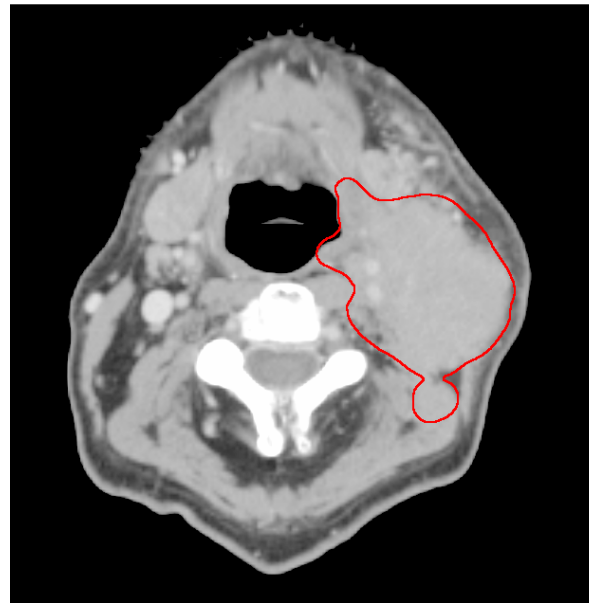
Not Predictive



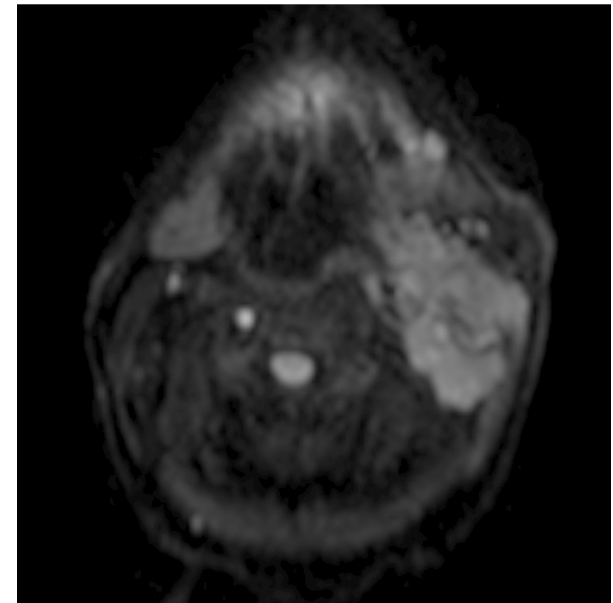
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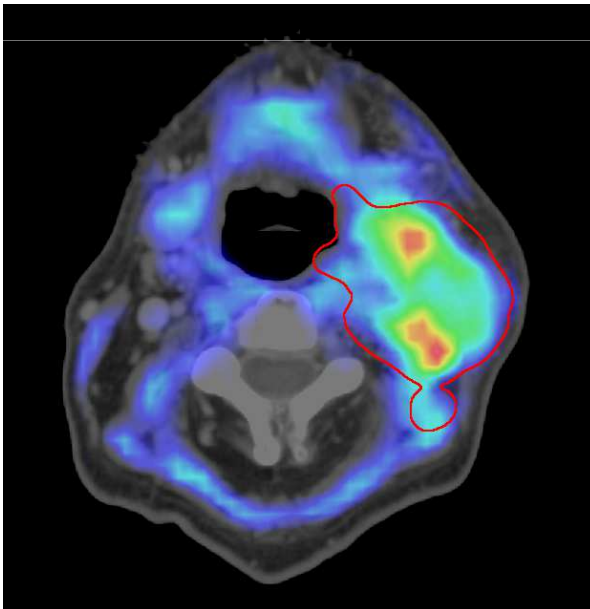
F-AZA PET



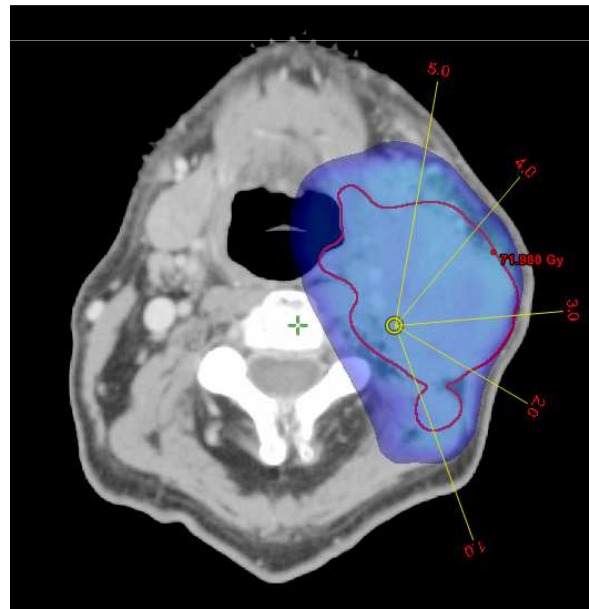
CT with GTV outlined



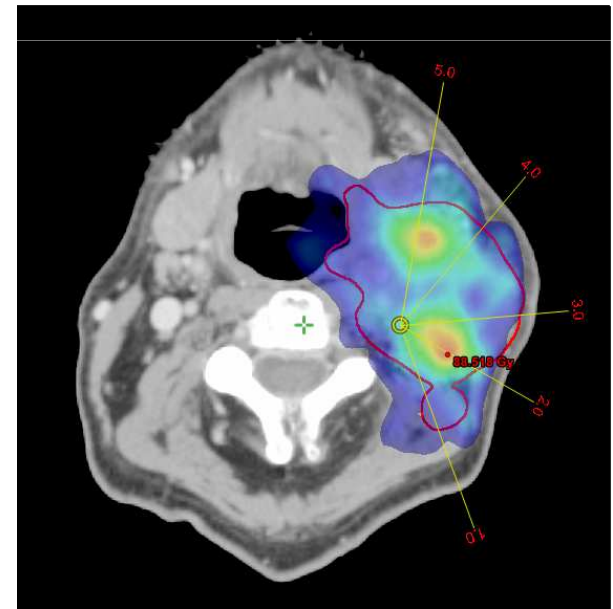
Diffusion weighted MRI



FAZA PET-CT



IMRT



Hypoxic dosepaint IMRT

Conclusions – hypoxia

- A significant proportion of HN squamous cell carcinomas contains hypoxic regions
- Patients with hypoxic tumours have poorer loco-regional control and survival
- Hypoxic modification (sensitizers, HBO, hypoxic cytotoxins) during RT results in improved loco-regional control and survival
- Predictive assays, hypoxic imaging and dosepainting is emerging but still investigational

Systemic therapy



Rationale for combining radiotherapy and systemic therapy

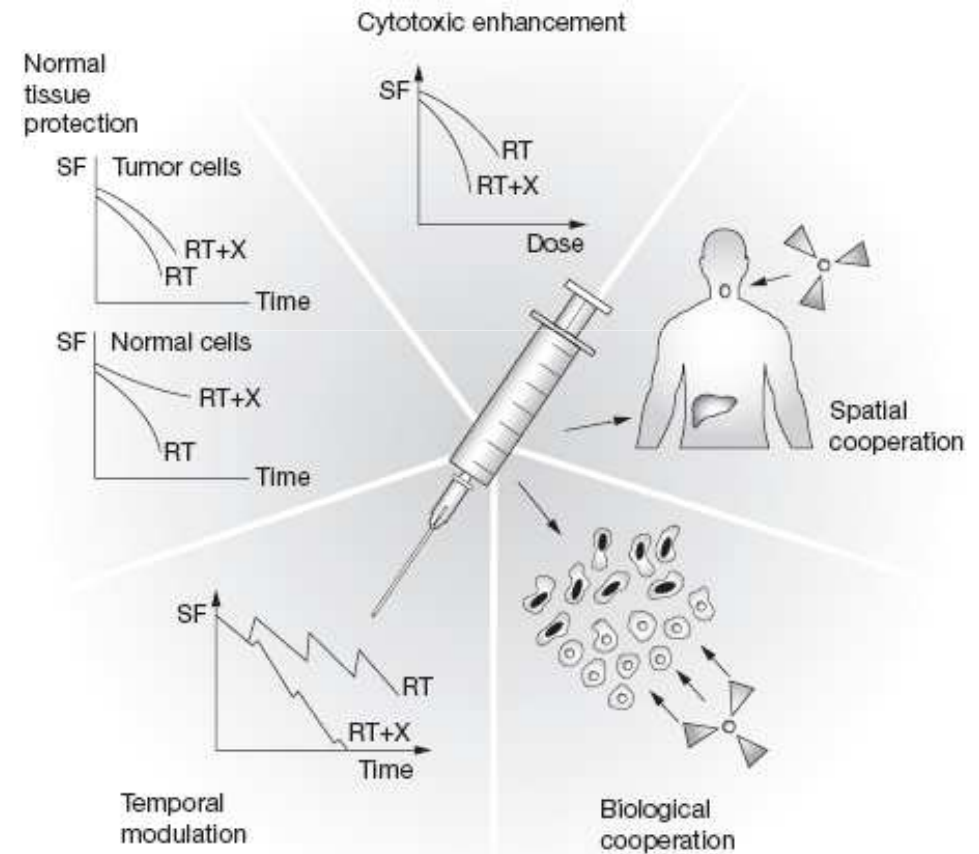
Spatial cooperation

Cytotoxic enhancement

Biological cooperation

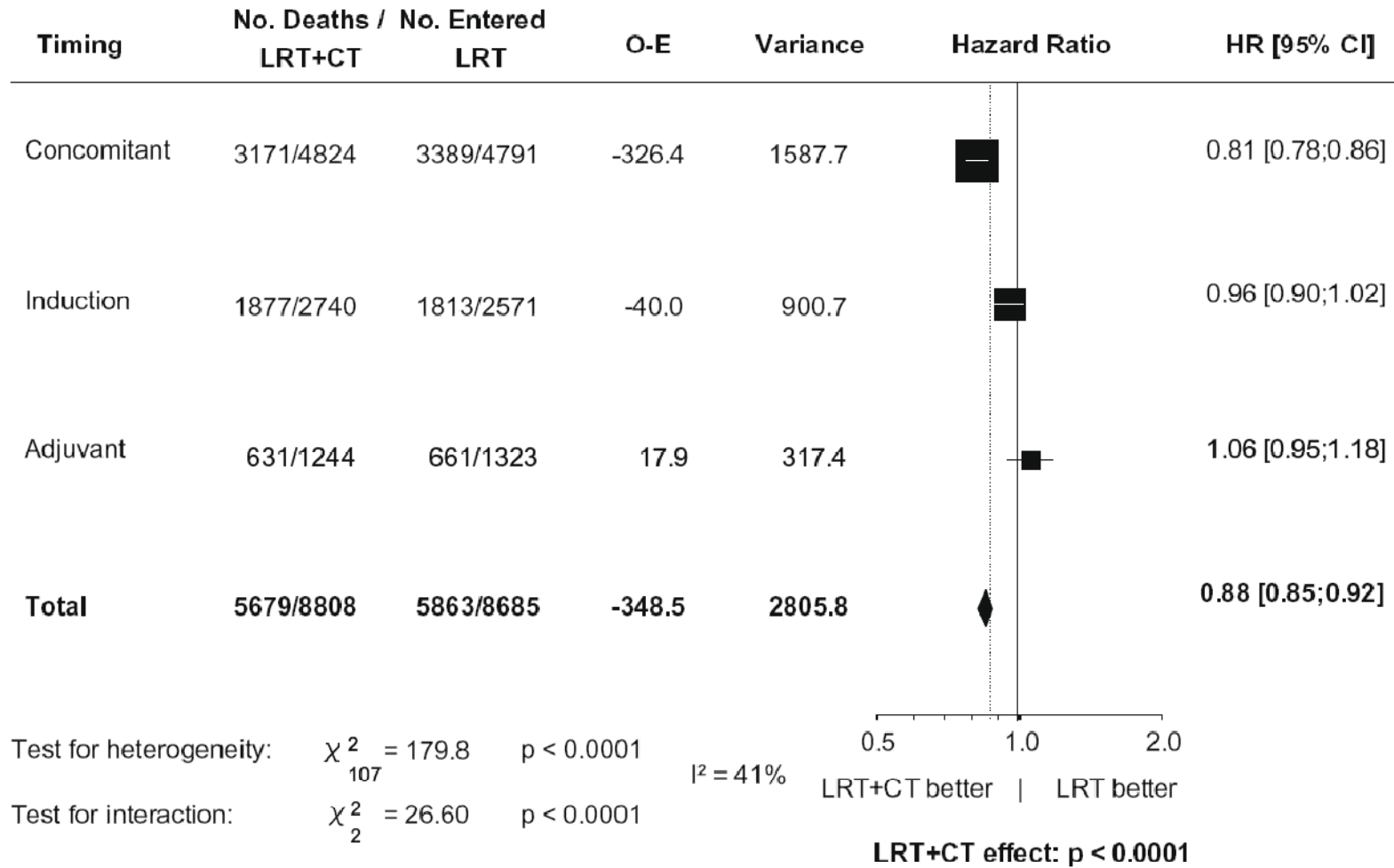
Temporal modulation

Normal tissue protection

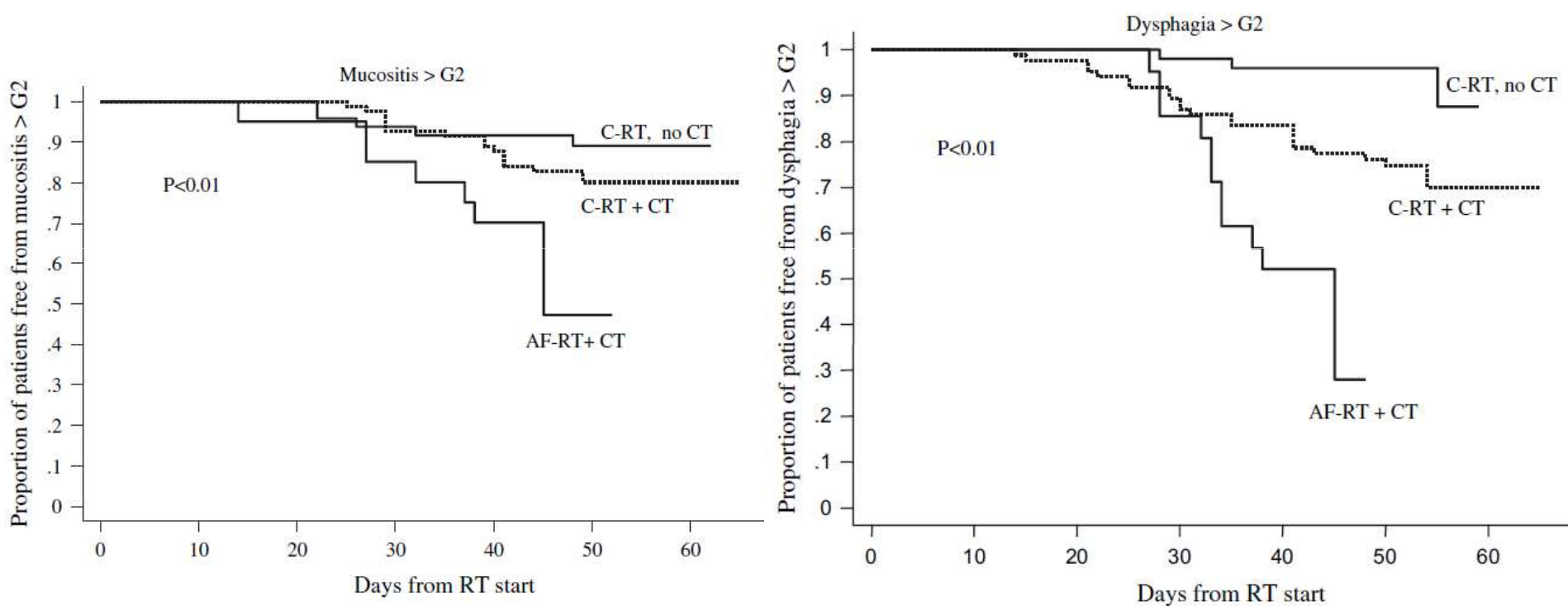


Meta-analysis II 2009

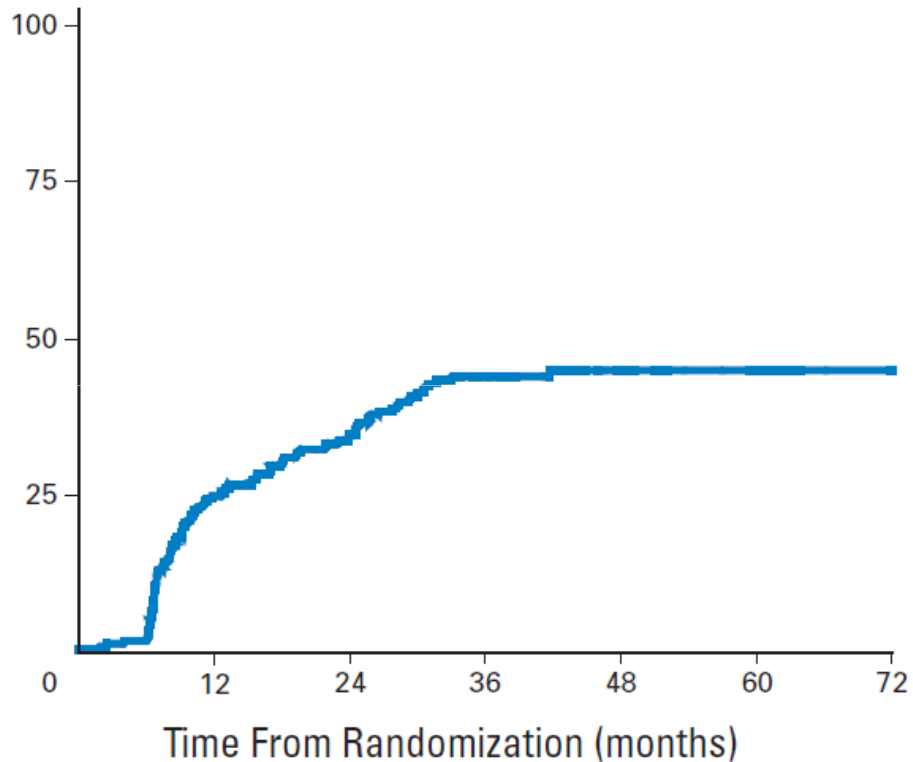
HR of death



Acute toxicity



Late morbidity



Analysis of 3 RTOG trial with C-RT
(RTOG 91-11, 97-03, and 99-14)

230 patients

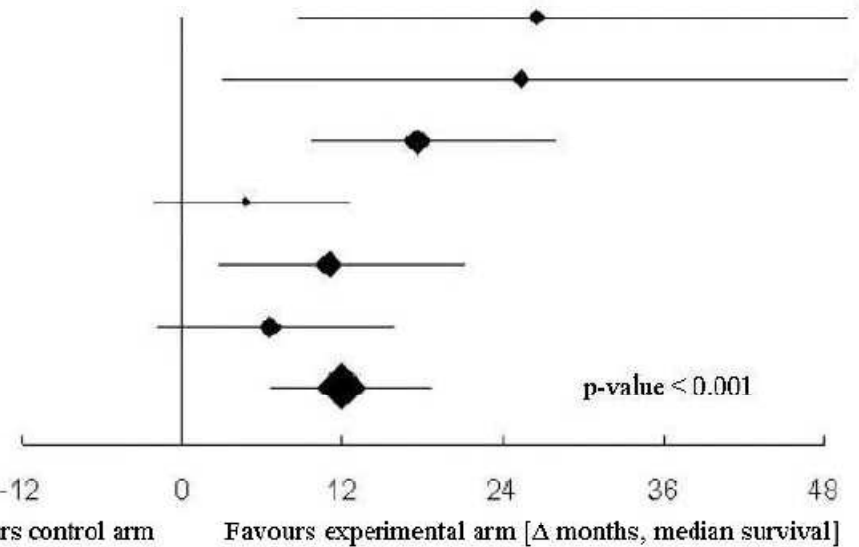
43% severe late morbidity

40% laryngeal/pharyngeal dysfunction

13% tube feeding >2 years after RT

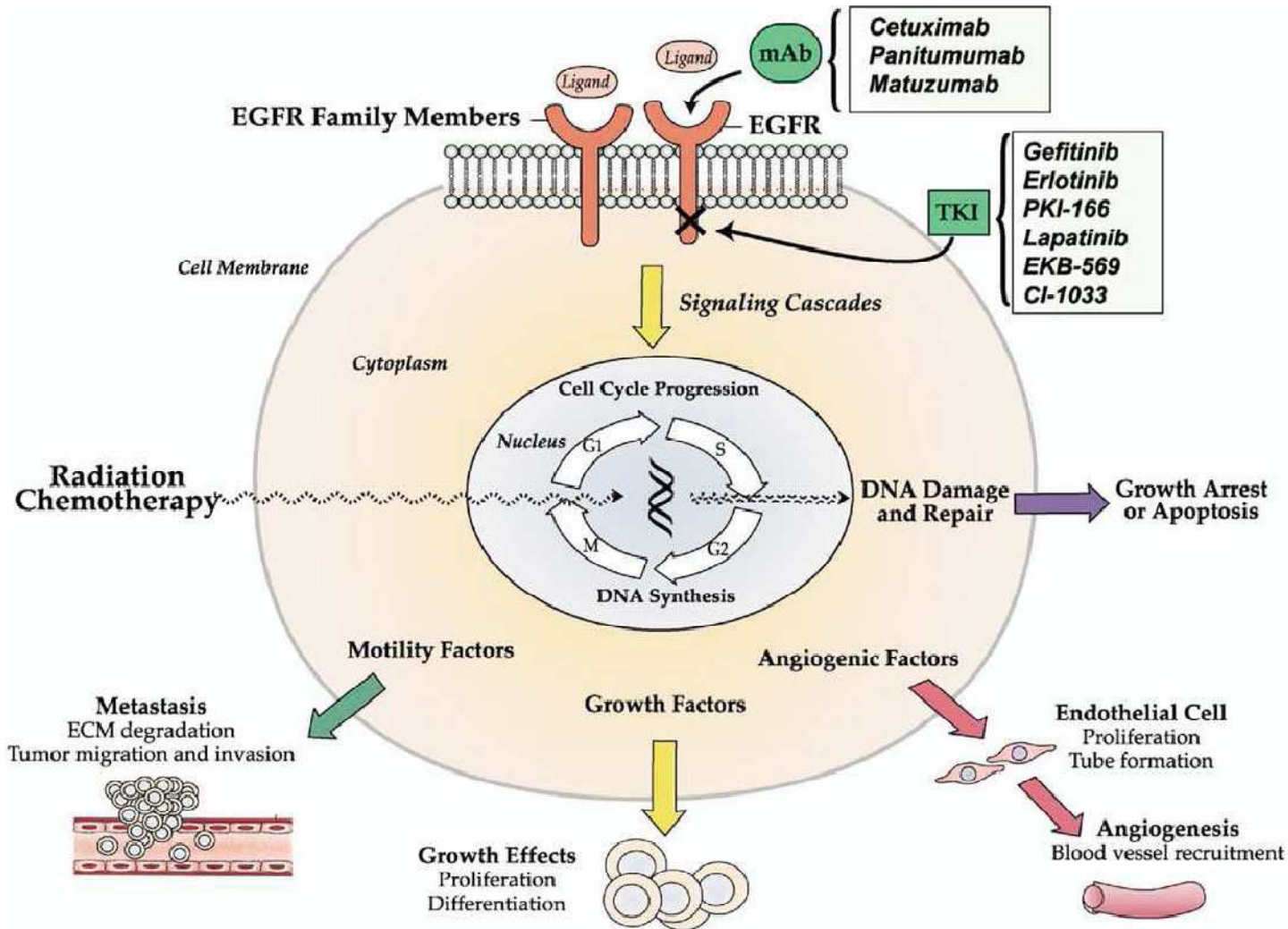
Unconventional fractionation ± concurrent chemo

| publication | delta 2 year OS [%] | delta months | LCL | UCL | N weight |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------|------|------|----------|
| Jeremic [33] | +21.6 | 26.6 | 8.6 | 52.9 | 130 |
| Brizel [34] | +18.1 | 25.3 | 3.1 | 62.0 | 116 |
| Wendt [35] | +25.1 | 17.7 | 9.8 | 28.0 | 270 |
| Staar [36] | +7.8 | 4.9 | -2.1 | 12.7 | 240 |
| Dobrowsky [37] | +17.6 | 11.0 | 2.8 | 21.3 | 161 |
| Budach [12] | +6.8 | 6.6 | -2.0 | 16.1 | 384 |
| total | 14.7 (8.9-20.3)* | 12.0 | 6.7 | 18.8 | 1301 |

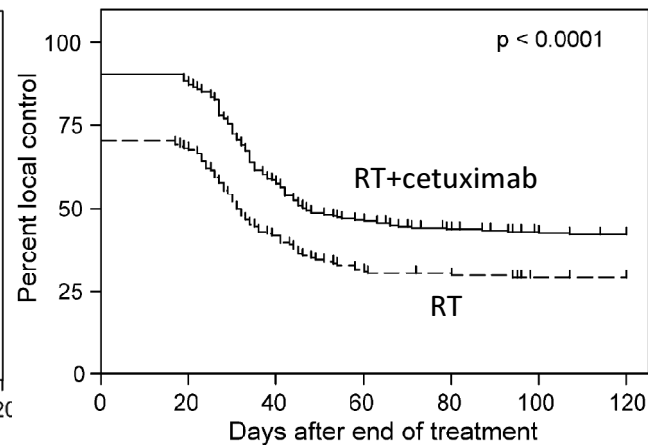
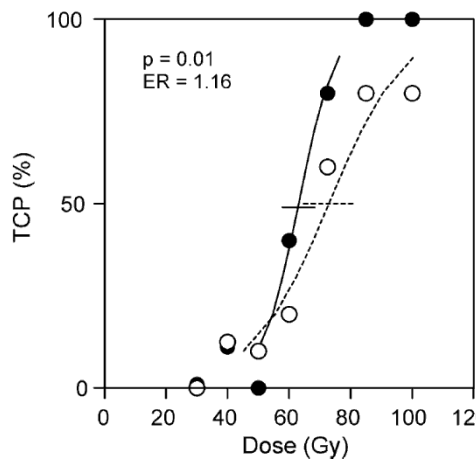
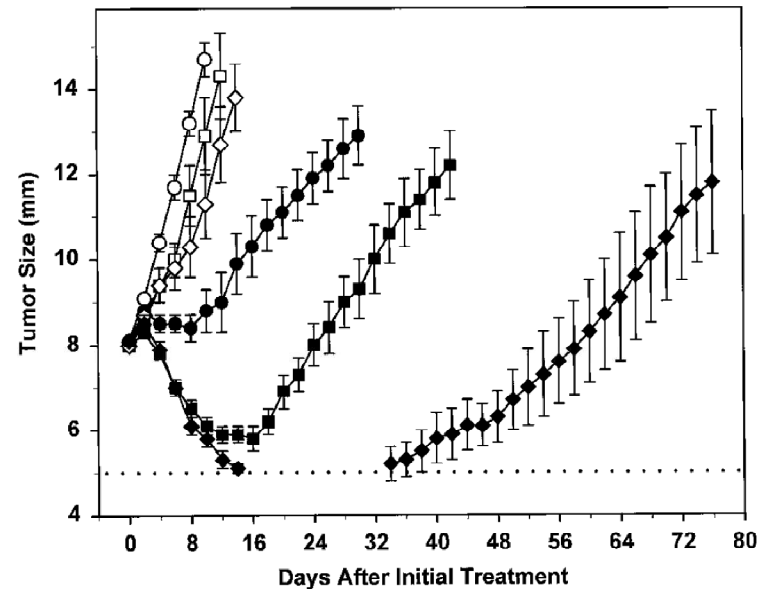


Test for heterogeneity: variance 0.60, mean(sq) 0.58, chi-square 1.05, p 0.959

EGFR



EGFR inhibition - pre-clinical data



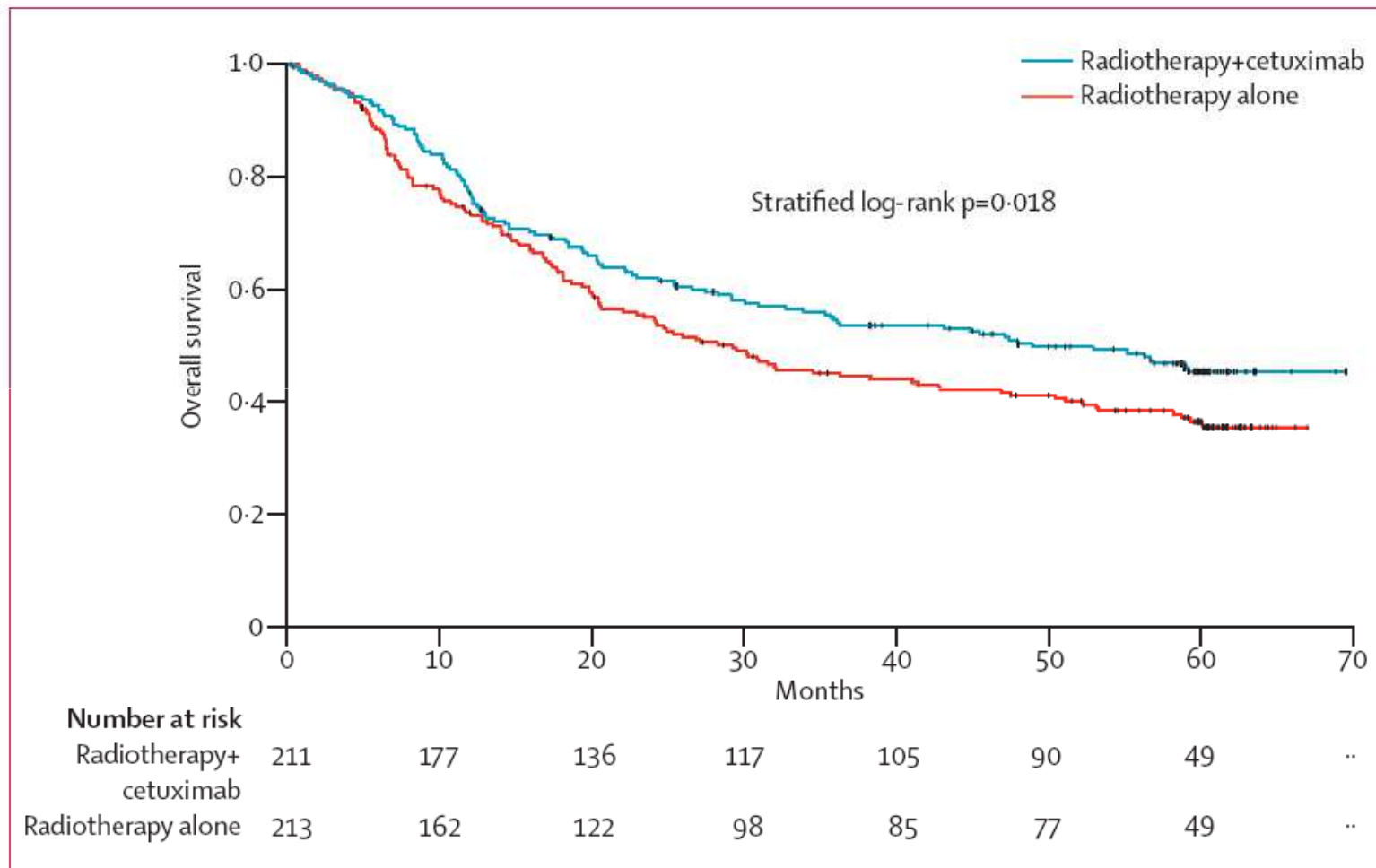
Akimoto T Clin Cancer Res 1999;

Schmidt-Ullrich Oncogene 1997

Milas L Clin Cancer Res 2000;

Krause M Radiother Oncol 2005

RT ±Cetuximab



Monoclonal antibodies



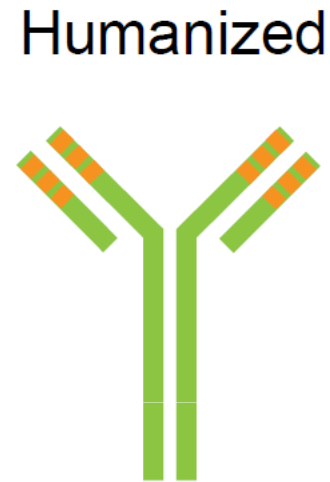
100% Mouse Protein

M225



34% Mouse Protein

Cetuximab

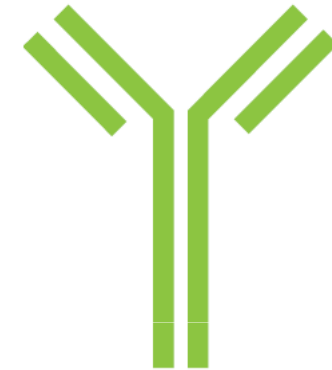


10% Mouse Protein

Trastuzumab

Nimotuzumab

Fully Human



100% Human Protein

Panitumumab

Zalutumumab

 mouse
 human

Conclusions

RT and systemic therapy

- Sound biological rationale for combining local and systemic treatment
- The main clinical effect is by improving RT-induced loco-regional control
- Largest effect and tolerability in younger patients in good performance status
- Acute and late toxicity is increased

May look straightforward, but.....

Combination of RT and systemic therapy

The devil is in the details:

- Induction chemotherapy? Evidence versus clinical practise...
- Concomitant chemoRT:
 - Which drugs?
 - Frequency: weekly or every three weeks?
- Does it (really) work with altered fractionation?
- Combination of two and more systemic agents..
 - Doublet versus triplet
- What about toxicity – is there a true therapeutic gain?

....will be addressed in this course...

Fractionation

HPV

Hypoxia

Chemotherapy

EGFR

HN radiotherapy

Co-morbidity

Morbidity

IMRT

Smoking

Rehabilitation

Summary – key points

- Modified fractionation (hyperfractionation and/or acceleration) is superior to conventional fractionation
- Hypoxic sensitizers (e.g. nimorazole) improves tumor control and survival without enhancing radiation morbidity
- Concomitant platinum-based chemotherapy is more effective than RT alone for younger patients in good performance status with and advanced stage tumours. Acute and late toxicity is increased
- EGFR inhibition combined with radiotherapy (but not chemoRT) results in enhancement of tumor response
- The optimal combination of these 'radiotherapy intensifiers' is still unsettled



HPV

Fractionation

Hypoxia

Chemotherapy

EGFR

HN radiotherapy

Co-morbidity

Morbidity

Smoking

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Rehabilitation

Induction chemotherapy for organ preservation

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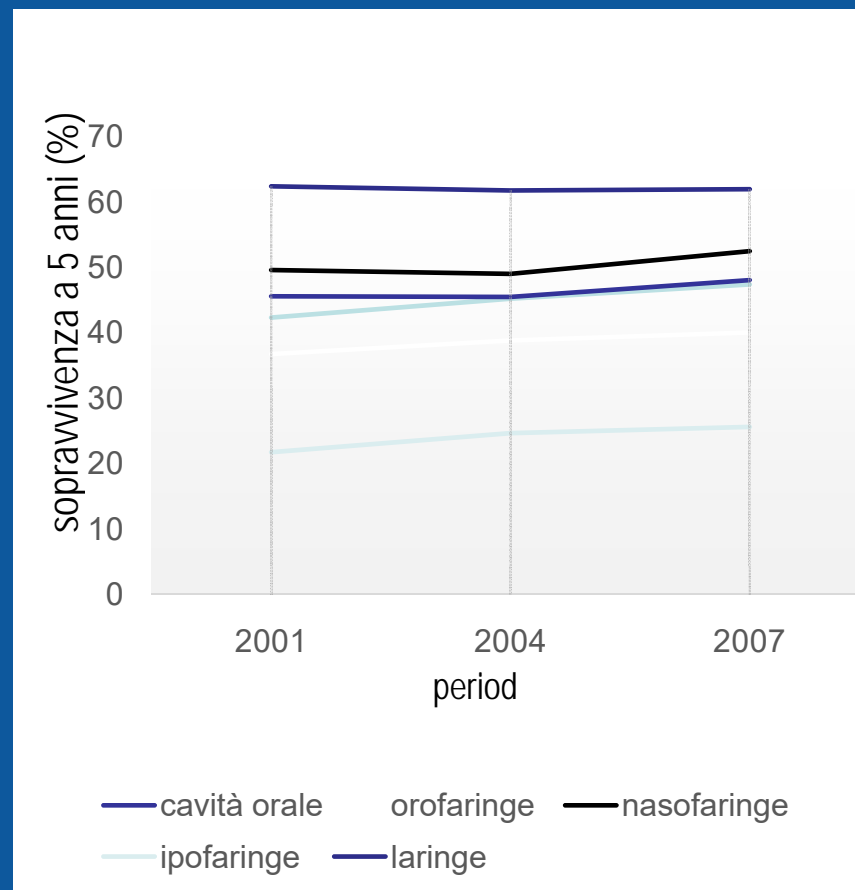
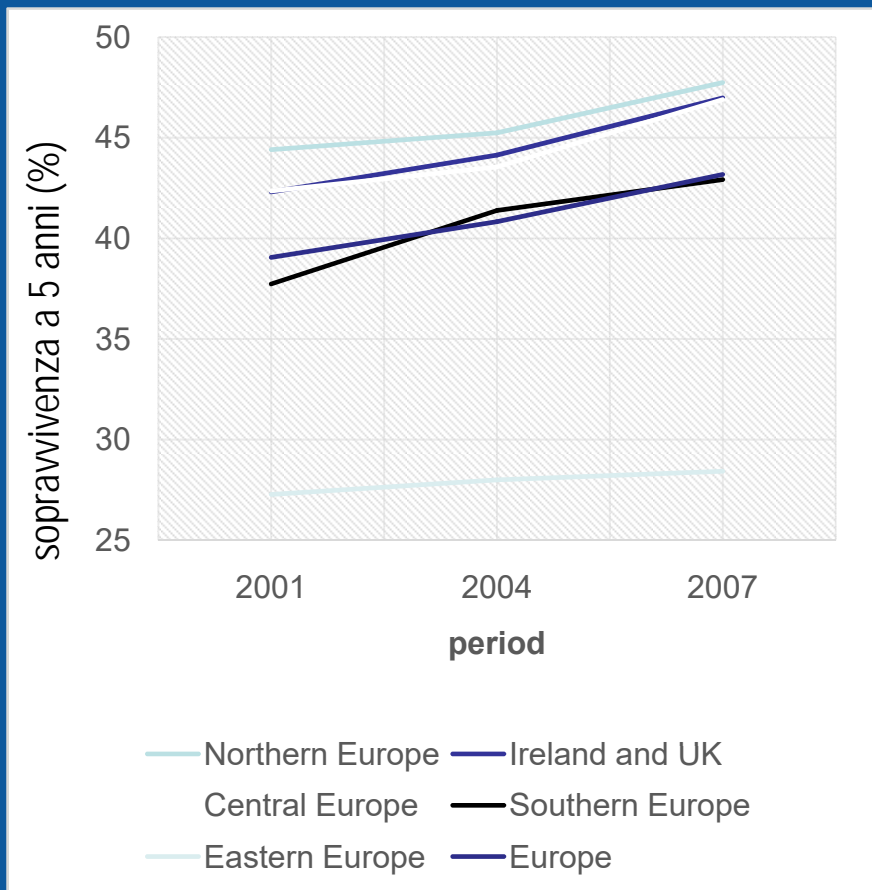
Prognoses and improvement for head and neck cancers diagnosed in Europe in early 2000s: The EURO CARE-5 population-based study



Gemma Gatta^{a,*}, Laura Botta^a, María José Sánchez^{b,c}, Lesley Ann Anderson^d, Daniela Pierannunzio^e, Lisa Licitra^f, and the EURO CARE Working Group¹

Survival Trends in Europe epidemiological data

Survival trends in EU by subsite



**INDUCTION CHEMOTHERAPY PLUS RADIATION COMPARED WITH SURGERY PLUS
RADIATION IN PATIENTS WITH ADVANCED LARYNGEAL CANCER**

THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS LARYNGEAL CANCER STUDY GROUP*

N Engl J Med 1991; 324: 1685-1690

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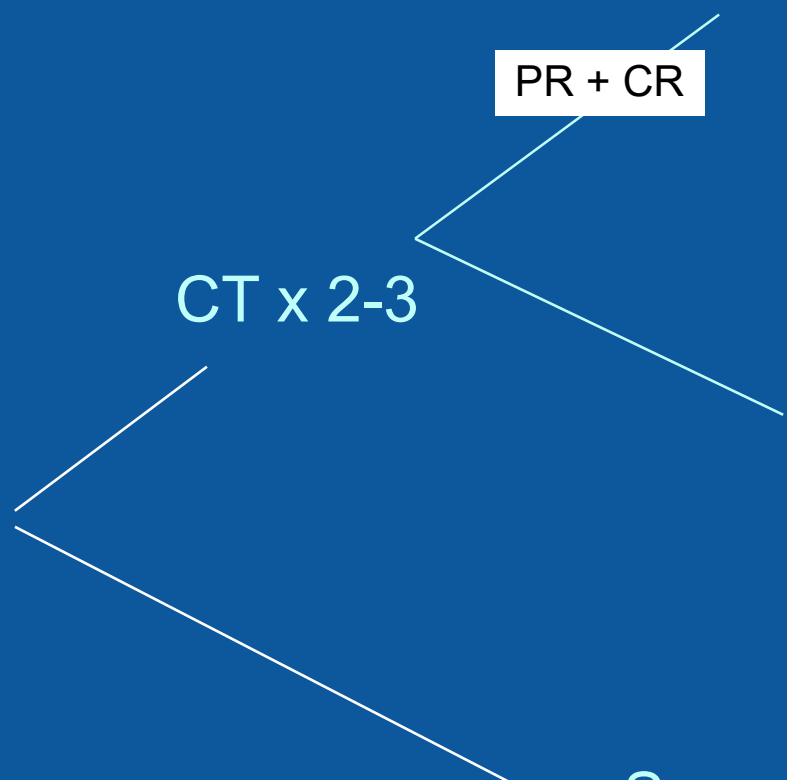
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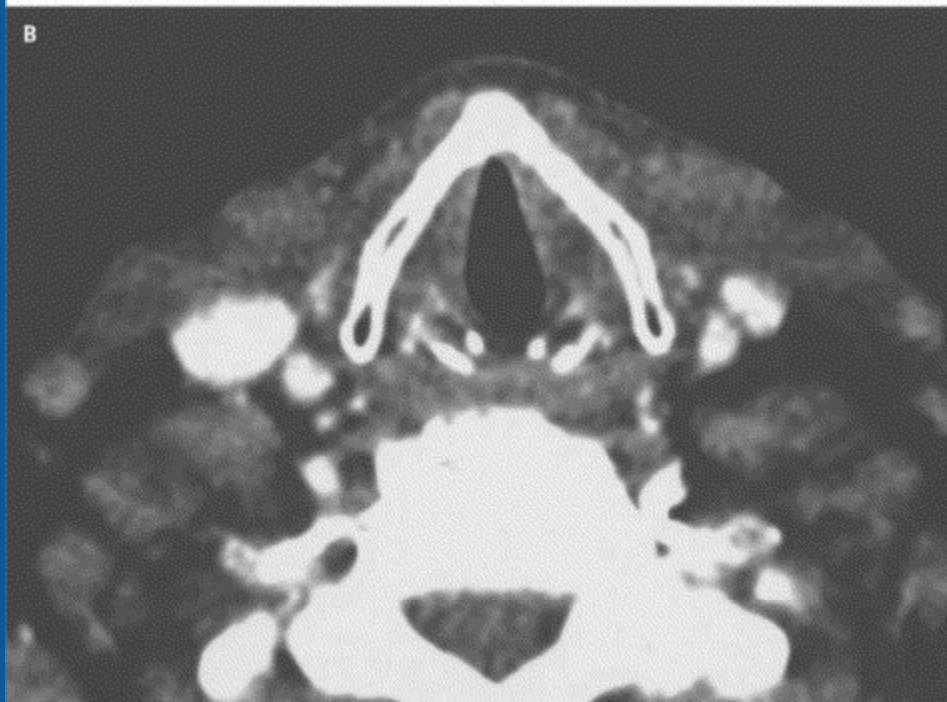
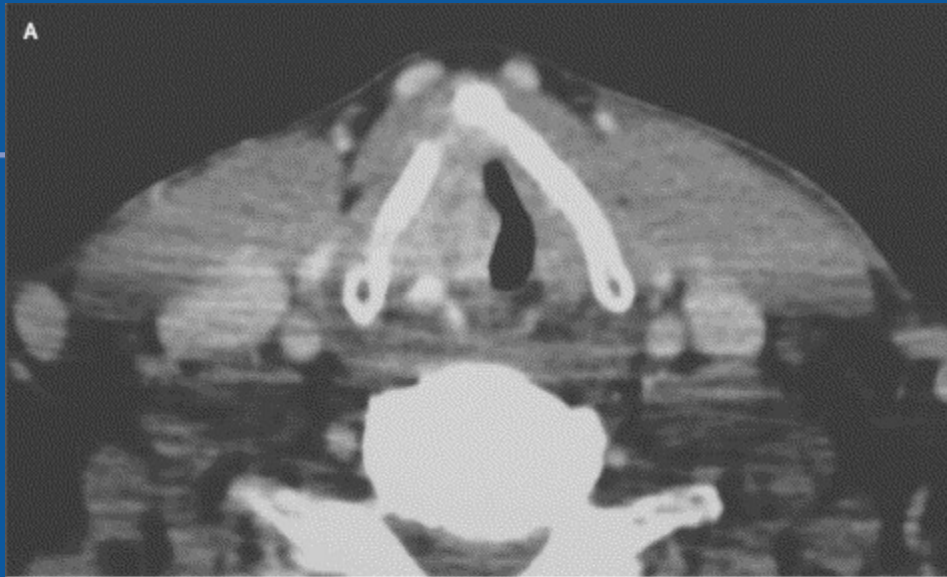
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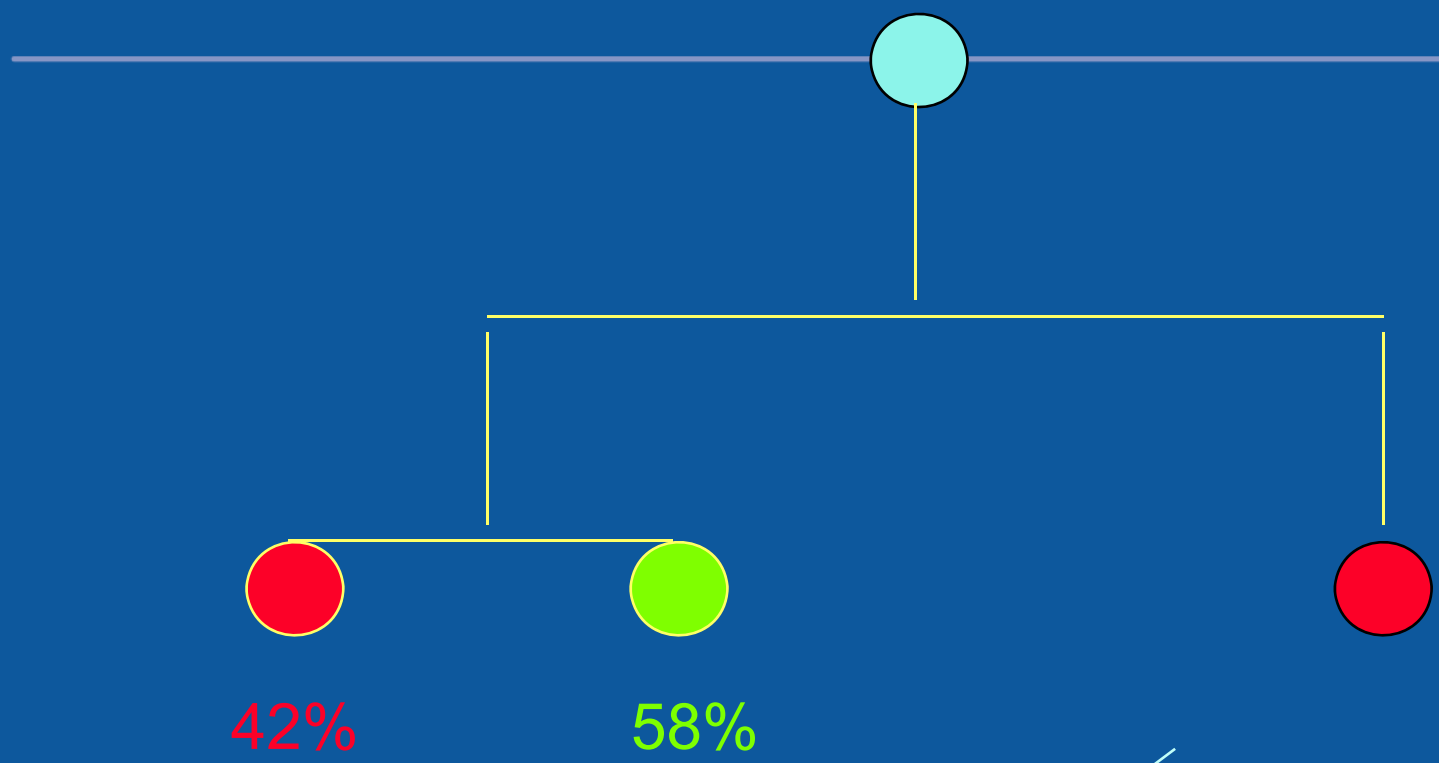
RT
(surgery of N)

Surgery + RT

Surgery + RT

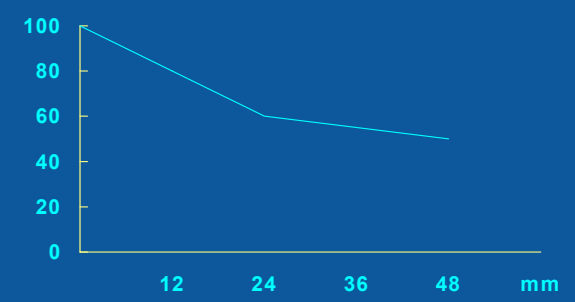
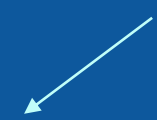




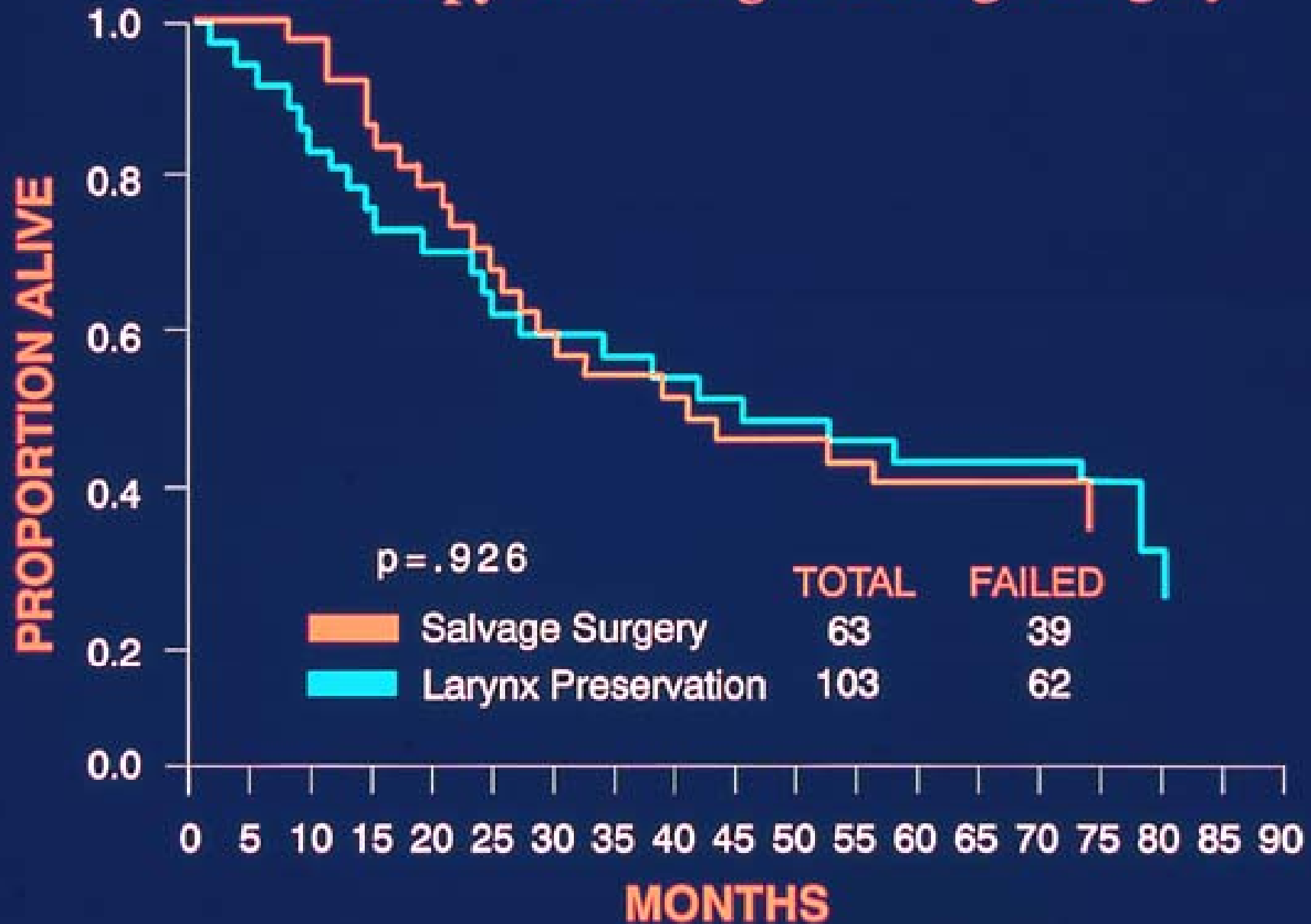


42%

58%



Overall Survival Among Patients Randomized to Chemotherapy According to Salvage Surgery



VA Trial: Larynx Preservation

- **RANDOMIZED PATIENTS** **166**
 - Larynx preserved **103 (62%)**
 - Laryngectomy **63**
- **PATIENTS ALIVE** **79**
 - With larynx **52 (66%)**
 - Without larynx **27**

Pattern of relapse

| | Surg+RT | CT > RT (Surg) |
|----------|---------|----------------|
| local | 2% | 12% |
| regional | 5% | 8% |
| distant | 17% | 11% |

CLINICAL FACTORS FOR LP

- Supraglottic cancers
- Mobile vocal cords
- No involvement of cartilage
- Stage III
- < T4
- T size (> 4, 4-9, 10-14, >15 cm)
- Growth pattern

Is Laryngeal Preservation (LP) With Induction Chemotherapy (ICT) Safe in the Treatment of Hypopharyngeal SCC? Final Results of the Phase III EORTC 24891 Trial.

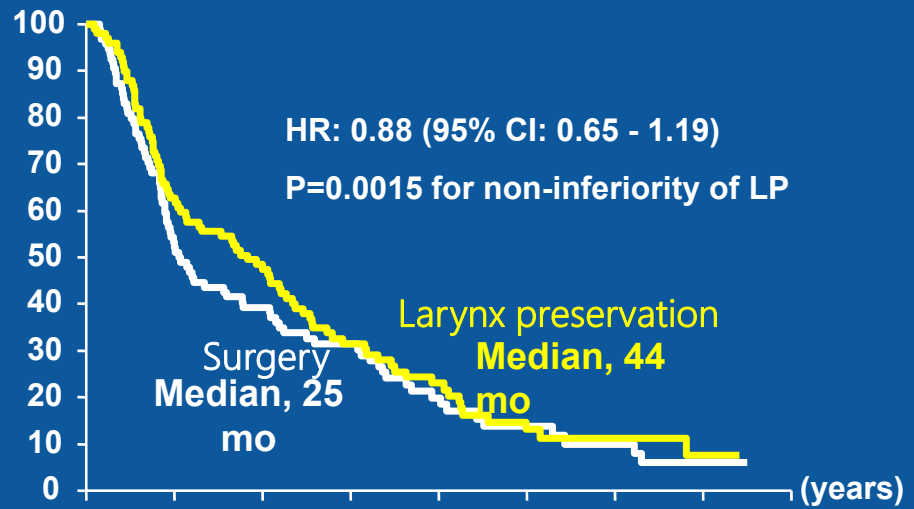
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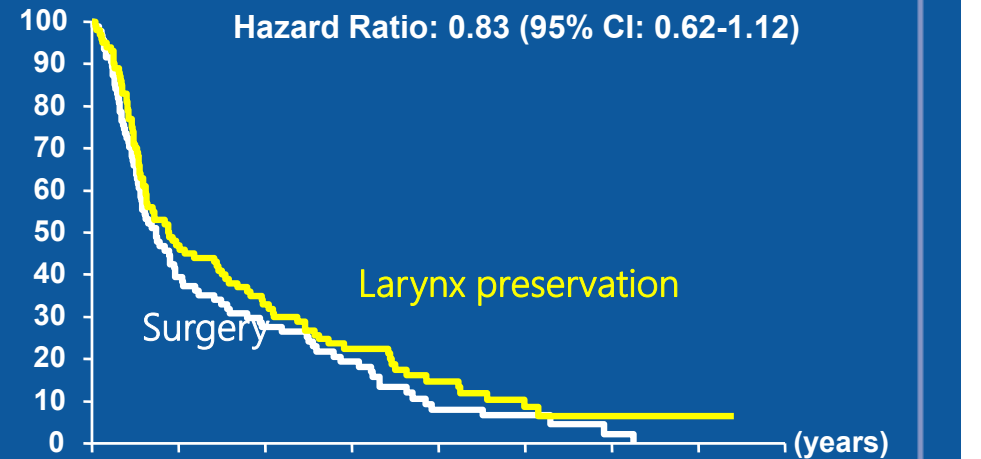
Overall Survival and DFS

Overall survival



| O | N | Number of patients at risk : | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|------------------------------|----|----|----|---|---|---|-----------|
| 81 | 94 | 49 | 36 | 26 | 14 | 9 | 5 | 3 | — Surgery |
| 83 | 100 | 62 | 47 | 27 | 17 | 8 | 4 | 1 | — LP |

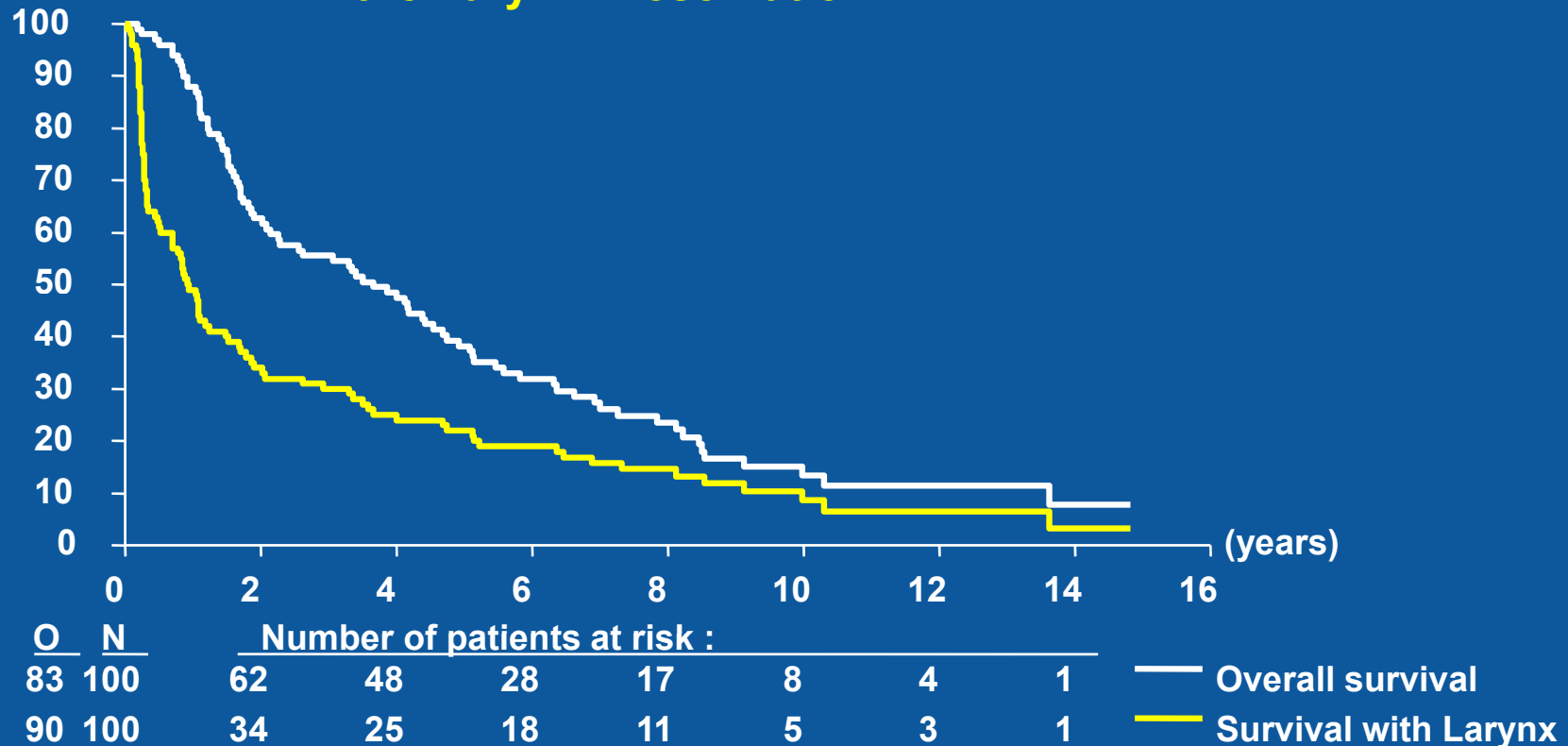
Disease-free survival



| O | N | Number of patients at risk : | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|------------------------------|----|----|----|---|---|---|----------------|
| 88 | 94 | 37 | 25 | 16 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | — Surgery |
| 88 | 100 | 47 | 32 | 19 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 1 | — Preservation |

Larynx Preservation Arm

Survival and Larynx Preservation in the Larynx Preservation Arm



13% of patients stopped chemotherapy due to toxicity

**Avoiding total laryngectomy
with induction CT :
meta-analysis of 3 randomized trials
and additional data ICT vs CT-RT**

Jean Bourhis, MD for the MACH-NC team



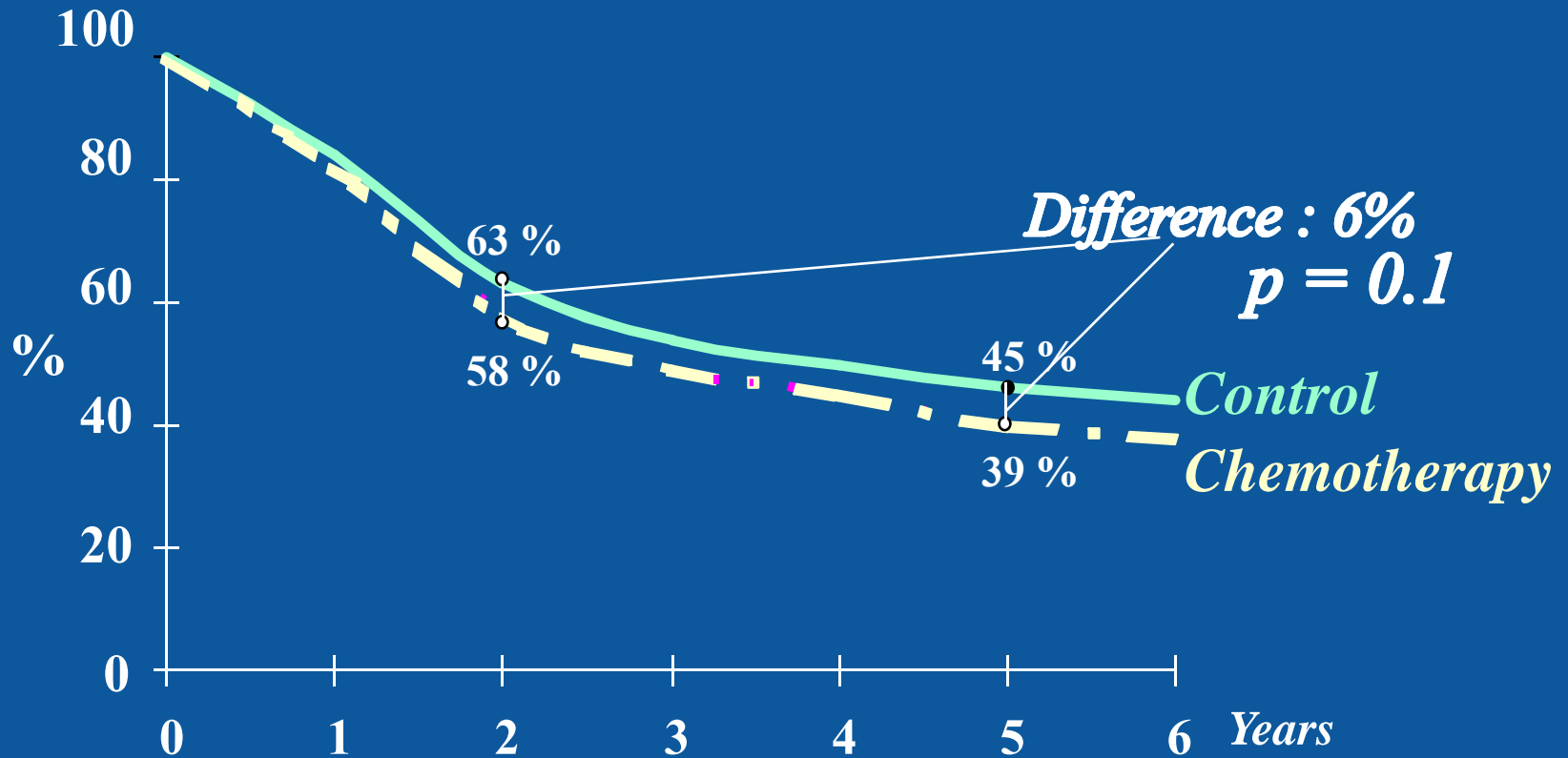
Larynx preservation with induction CT : 3 randomized trials

Meta-Analysis of
Chemotherapy
in Head & Neck Cancer

| <i>Trial</i> | | <i>Subsite</i> | |
|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| VALCSG | Larynx (n=332) | Glottic/subglottic | 37 % |
| | | Supraglottic | 63 % |
| GETTEC | Larynx (n=68) | Glottic/subglottic | 41 % |
| | | Supra glottic | 31 % |
| | | 2/3 sites | 28 % |
| EORTC | Hypopharynx (n=202) | Hypopharynx | 78 % |
| | | Lateral epilarynx | 22 % |

Overall survival

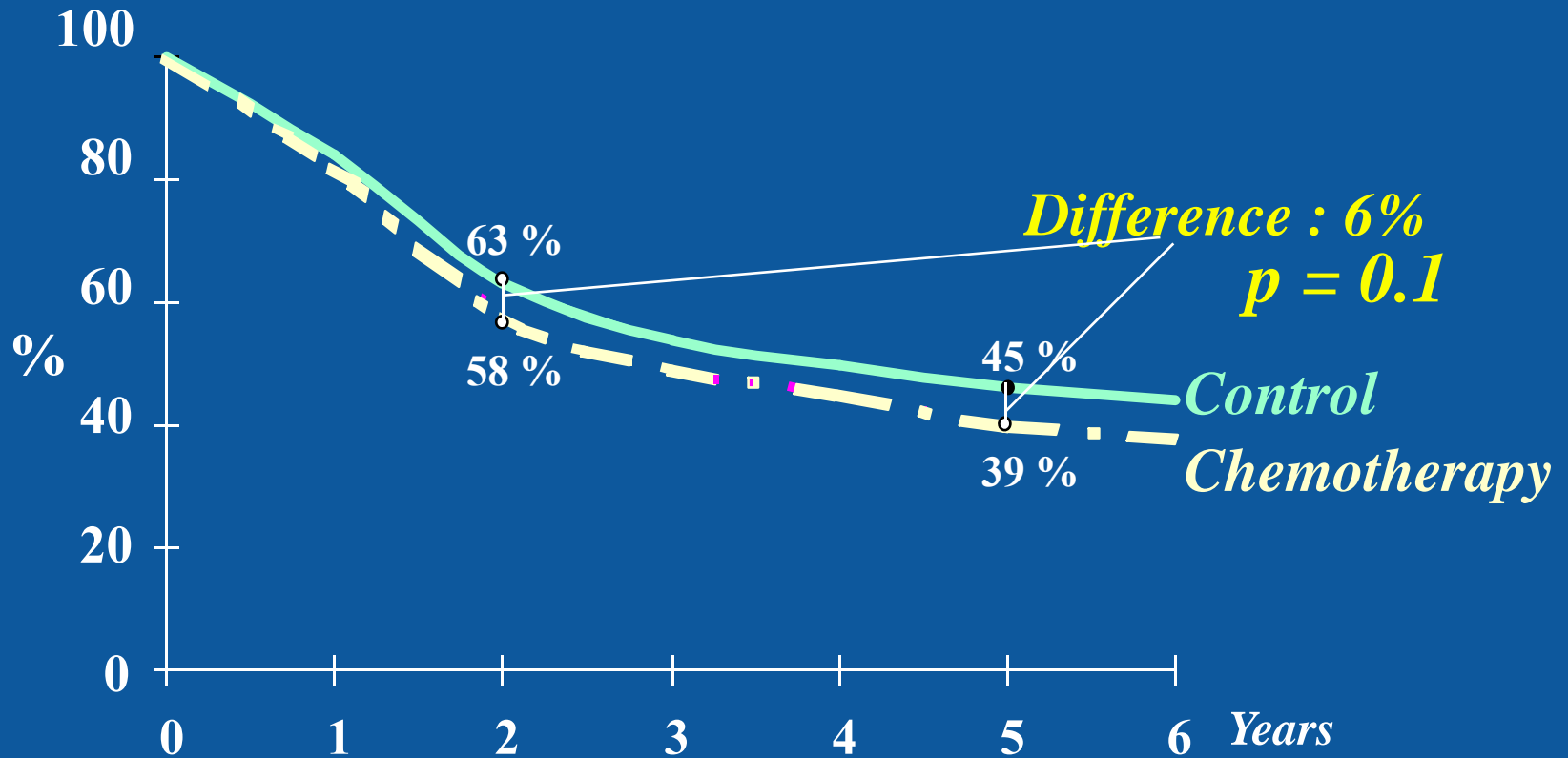
*Meta-Analysis of
Chemotherapy
in Head & Neck Cancer*



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| <i>Control :</i> | 297 | 251 | 188 | 161 | 119 | 86 | 56 |
| <i>Chemotherapy</i> | 305 | 258 | 199 | 165 | 117 | 77 | 54 |

DFS by treatment

Meta-Analysis of
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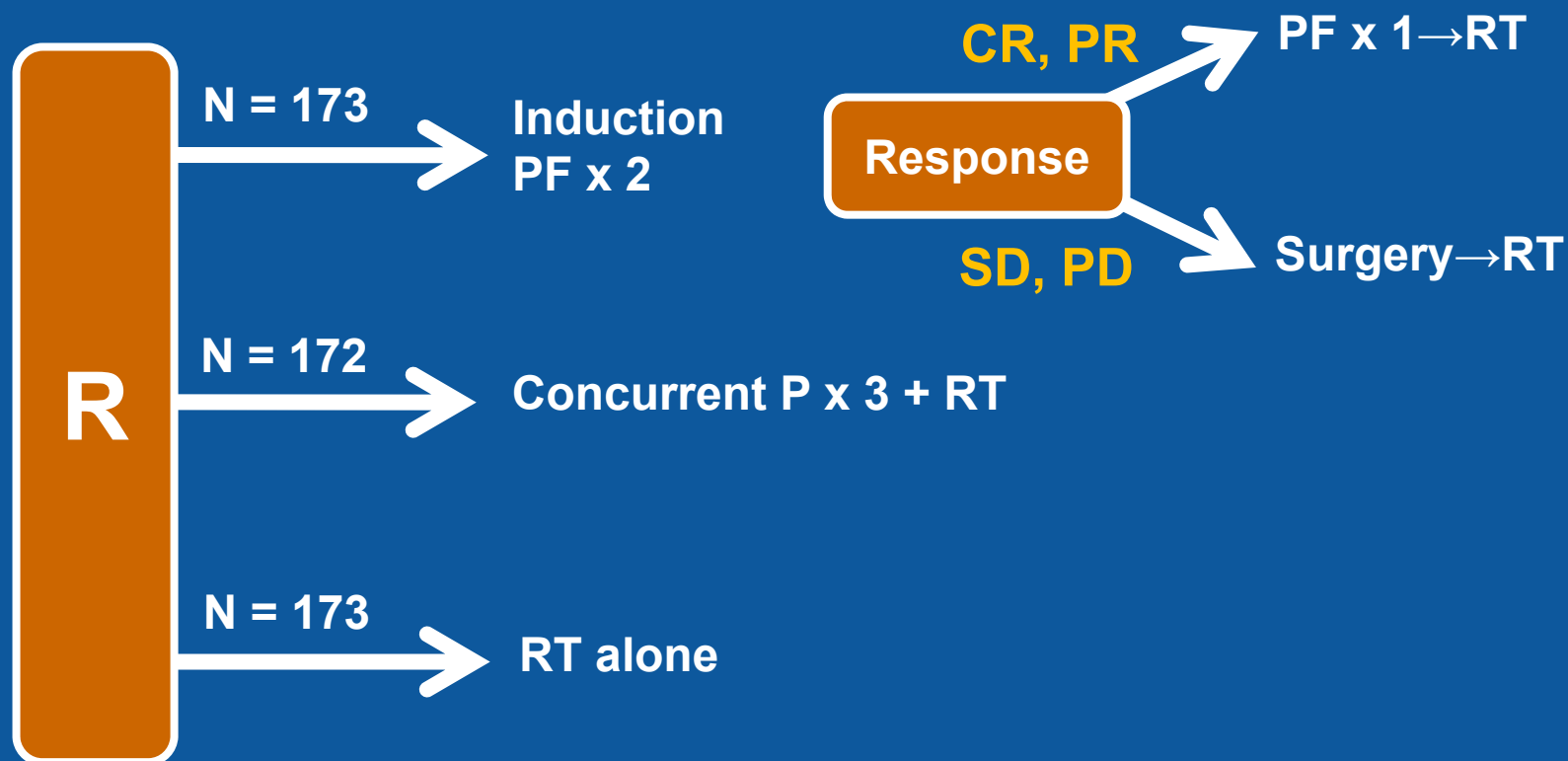
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ORIGINAL REPORT

Long-Term Results of RTOG 91-11: A Comparison of Three Nonsurgical Treatment Strategies to Preserve the Larynx in Patients With Locally Advanced Larynx Cancer

Arlene A. Forastiere, Qiang Zhang, Randal S. Weber, Moshe H. Maor, Helmuth Goepfert, Thomas F. Pajak, William Morrison, Bonnie Glisson, Andy Trotti, John A. Ridge, Wade Thorstad, Henry Wagner, John F. Ensley, and Jay S. Cooper

Study Design



Primary endpoint: Larynx preservation

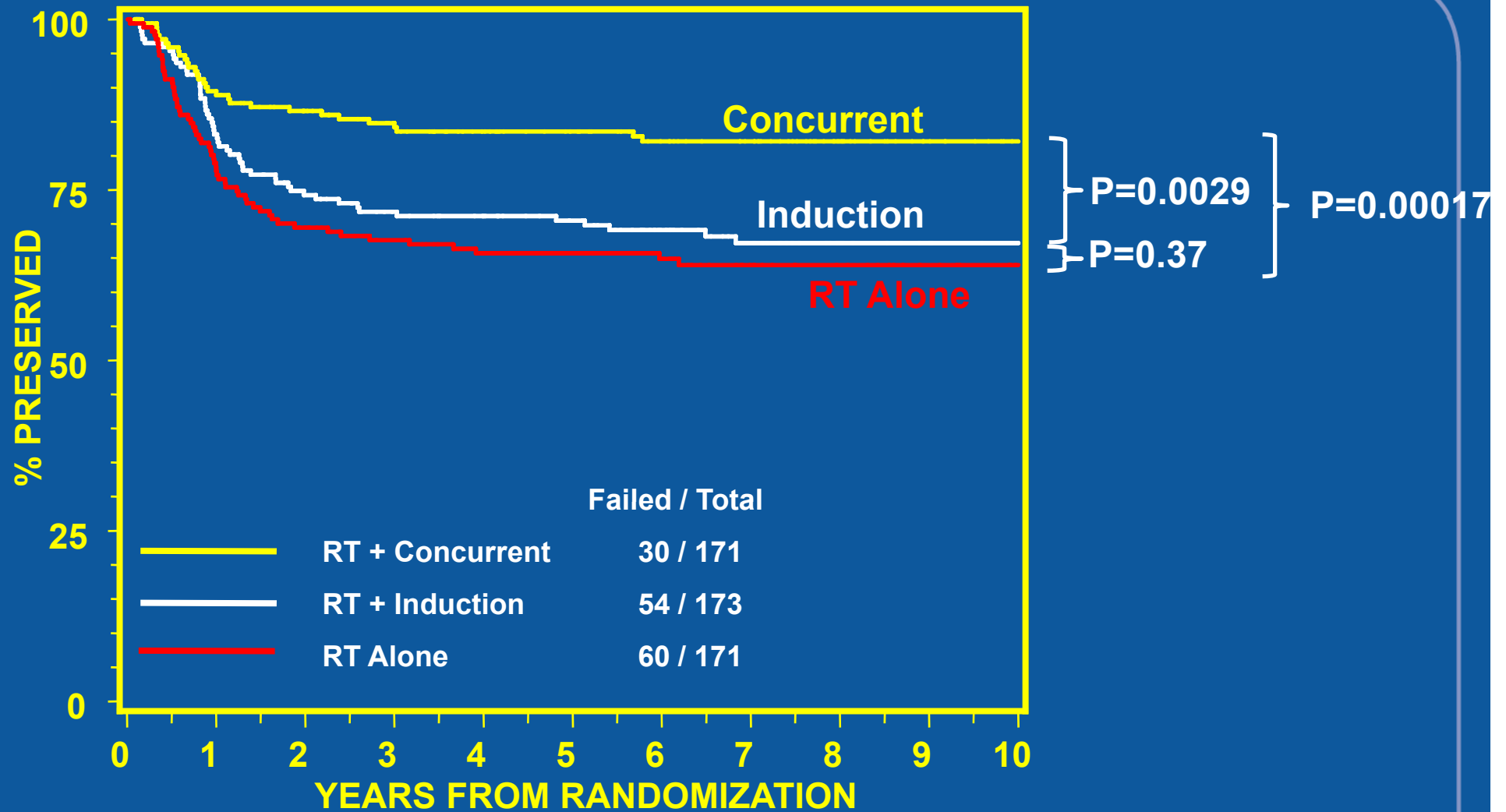
Secondary endpoints: OS, DFS, laryngectomy-free survival

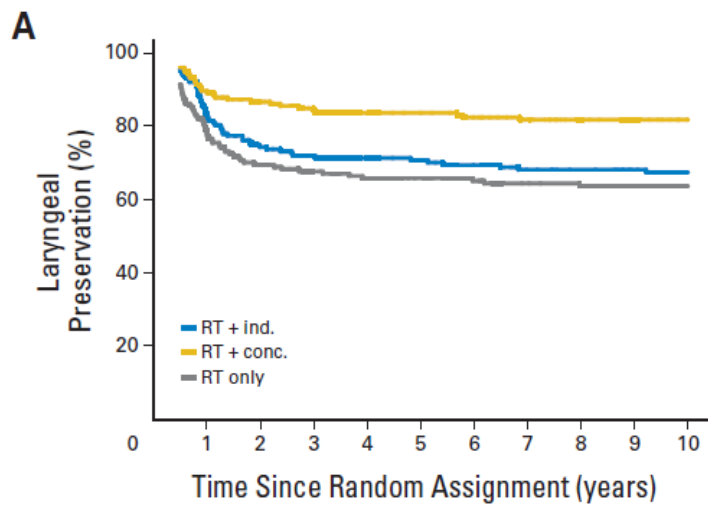
**Primary organ preservation with surgical salvage accepted for all 3 study arms.
Neck dissection included N₂ N₃ disease.**

Patient Characteristics

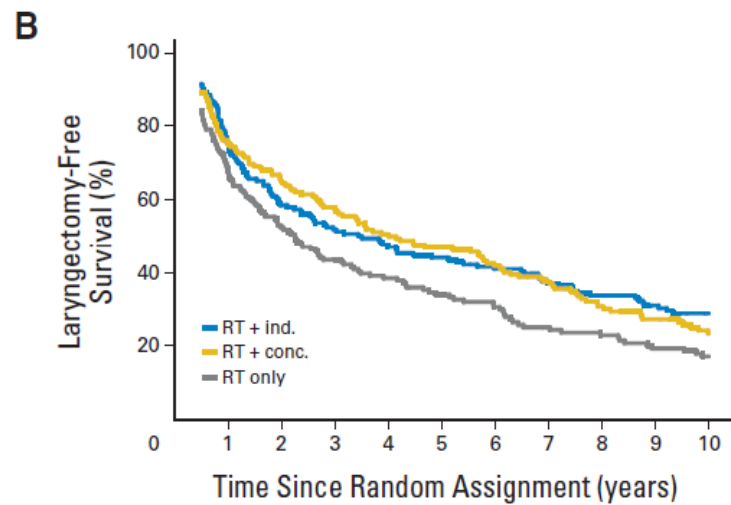
| Characteristic | Induction n = 173 (%) | Concurrent n = 172 (%) | RT (N=173) (%) |
|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Supraglottis | 68 | 66 | 72 |
| Glottis | 32 | 34 | 28 |
| Karnofsky PS | | | |
| 90-100 | 71 | 81 | 69 |
| 80 | 22 | 16 | 24 |
| 60-70 | 7 | 4 | 2 |
| Stage III | 64 | 67 | 64 |
| T | | | |
| T2 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| T3 fixed cord | 47 | 48 | 44 |
| T3 no fixation | 31 | 30 | 35 |
| T4 | 10 | 10 | 9 |
| N | | | |
| N0 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| N1 | 22 | 23 | 18 |
| N2a | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| N2b | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| N2c | 15 | 13 | 21 |
| N3 | 2 | 2 | 1 |

Larynx Preservation

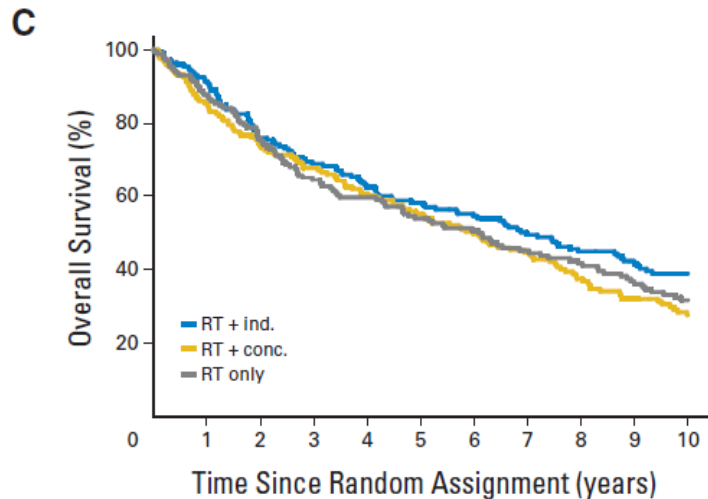




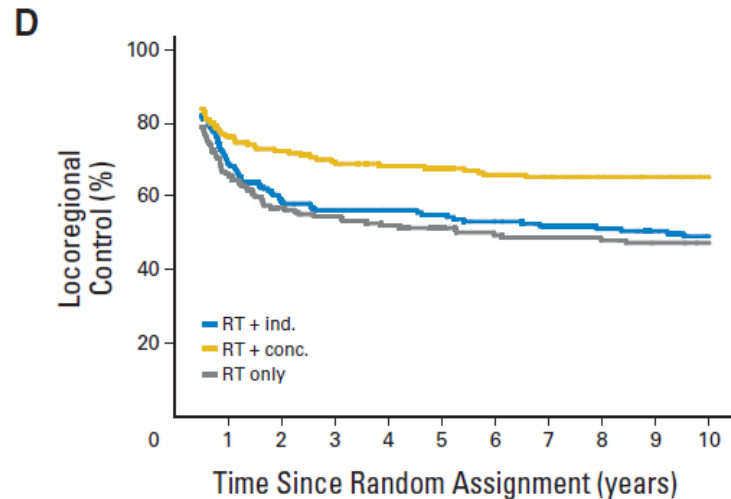
| No. at risk | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| RT + ind. | 174 | 130 | 98 | 87 | 78 | 72 | 65 | 56 | 51 | 44 | 37 |
| RT + conc. | 174 | 130 | 111 | 96 | 83 | 76 | 67 | 58 | 45 | 38 | 30 |
| RT only | 172 | 116 | 88 | 70 | 62 | 52 | 46 | 35 | 32 | 27 | 24 |



| No. at risk | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
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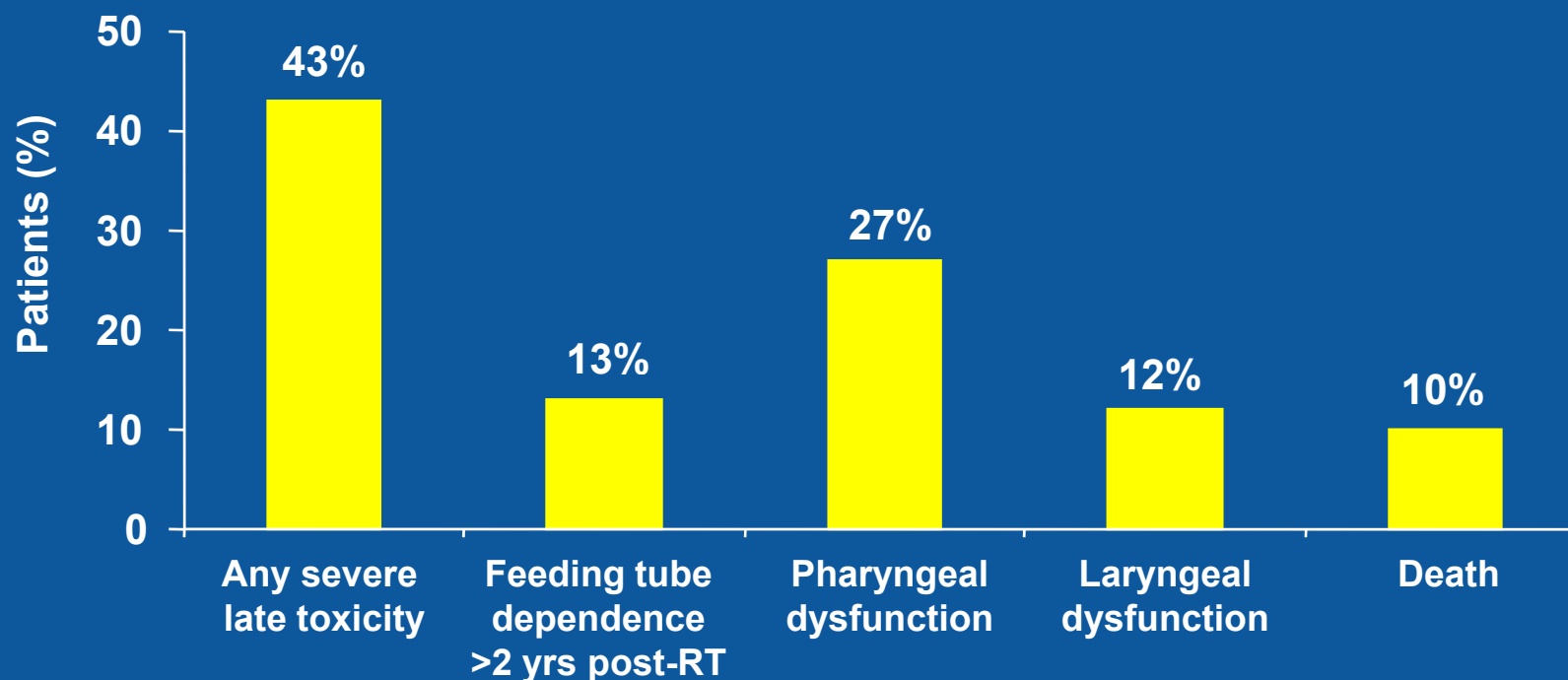
| No. at risk | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
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| RT + ind. | 174 | 157 | 128 | 116 | 104 | 96 | 88 | 76 | 69 | 61 | 52 |
| RT + conc. | 174 | 146 | 126 | 113 | 100 | 90 | 80 | 70 | 56 | 46 | 36 |
| RT only | 172 | 148 | 126 | 105 | 96 | 83 | 76 | 65 | 59 | 51 | 43 |



| No. at risk | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| RT + ind. | 174 | 117 | 91 | 81 | 73 | 68 | 61 | 53 | 47 | 39 | 31 |
| RT + conc. | 174 | 123 | 107 | 93 | 81 | 76 | 67 | 58 | 45 | 38 | 30 |
| RT only | 172 | 103 | 80 | 66 | 59 | 51 | 44 | 34 | 31 | 26 | 24 |

CRT: Late toxicity

- Analysis of 230 patients receiving CRT in 3 studies (RTOG 91-11, 97-03, 99-14)
- Factors associated with development of severe late toxicity^a
 - Older age (p=0.001), advanced T-stage (p=0.0036), larynx/hypopharynx primary (p=0.004), neck dissection after RT (p=0.018)



^a Chronic grade 3-4 pharyngeal/laryngeal toxicity and/or requirement for feeding tube >2 years after registration and/or potential treatment-related death within 3 years

Pts at risk

- Primary site (larynx, hypopharynx)
- Age
- CT
- Previous planned dissection

ARTICLE

Randomized Trial of Induction Chemotherapy With Cisplatin and 5-Fluorouracil With or Without Docetaxel for Larynx Preservation

Yoann Pointreau, Pascal Garaud, Sophie Chapet, Christian Sire, Claude Tuchsais, Jacques Tortochaux, Sandrine Faivre, Stephane Guerrif, Marc Alfonsi, Gilles Calais

JNCI 2009

Study Design

N = 220 patients (7 ineligible)

110 in TPF arm and 103 in the PF arm



Primary endpoint:

- Larynx preservation

Secondary endpoints

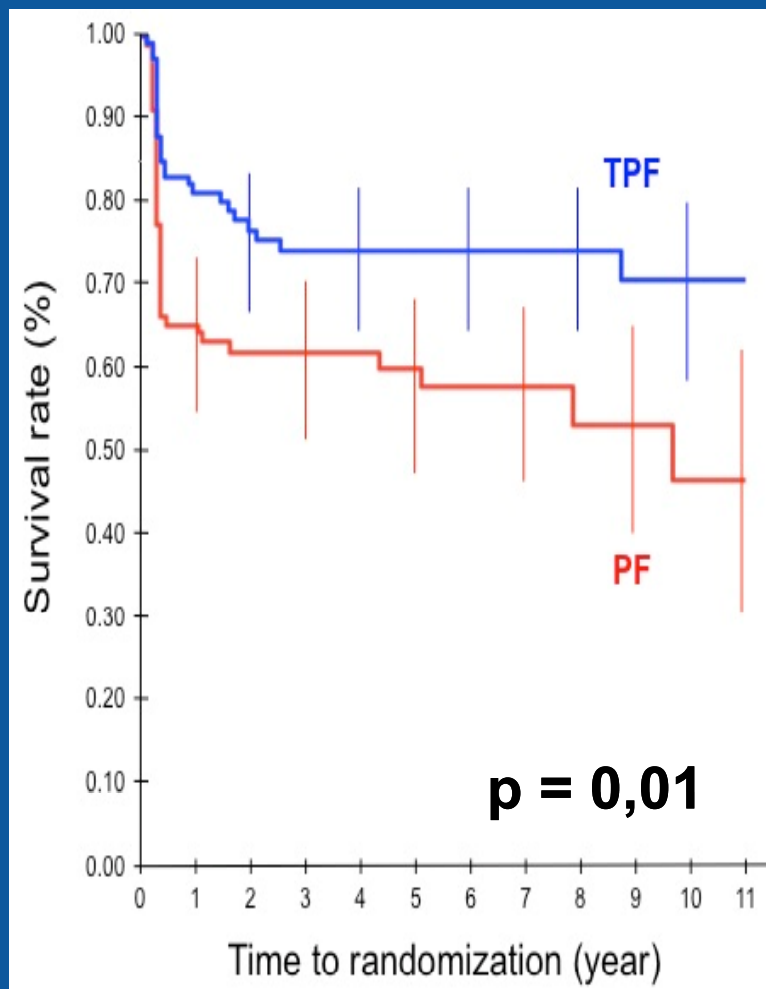
- Overall survival, DFS, toxicity

Patient Characteristics

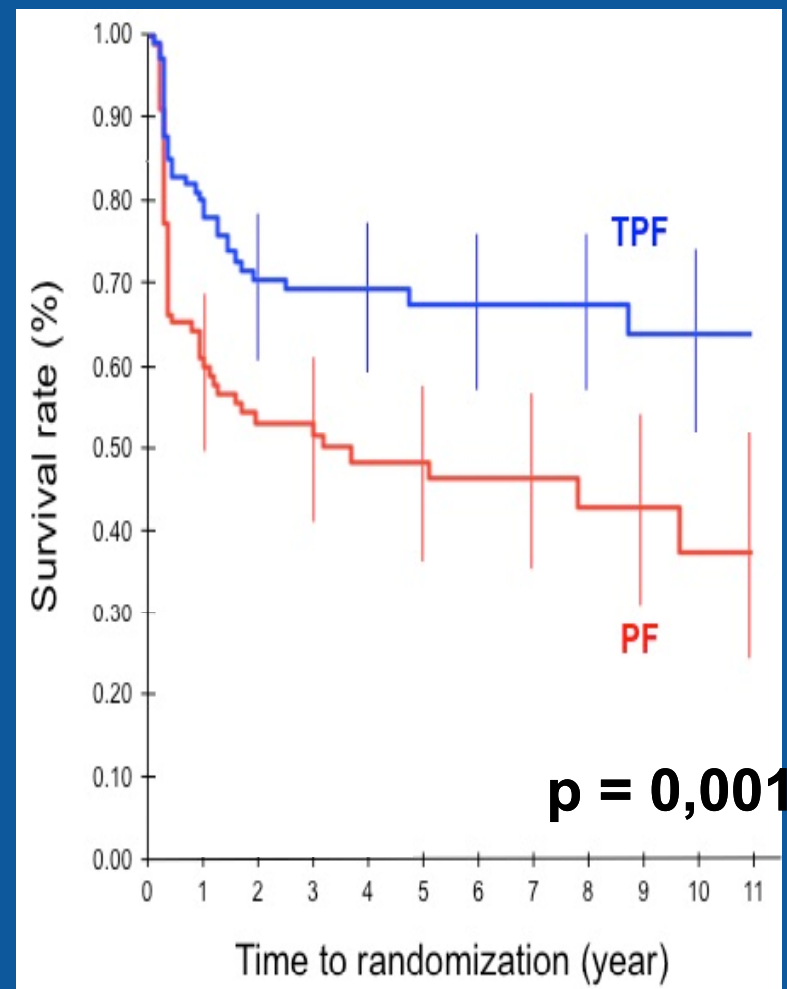
| Characteristic | TPF n = 110 | PF n = 103 |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Hypopharynx | 61 | 54 |
| Larynx | 49 | 49 |
| PS = 0 / 1 | 51/59 | 51/52 |
| TN Classification | | |
| T2 | 15 | 22 |
| T3 | 77 | 61 |
| T4 | 14 | 16 |
| N0 | 32 | 47 |
| N1 | 28 | 21 |
| N2a | 12 | 10 |
| N2b | 13 | 13 |
| N2c | 14 | 6 |
| N3 | 7 | 2 |

Results

Larynx Preservation

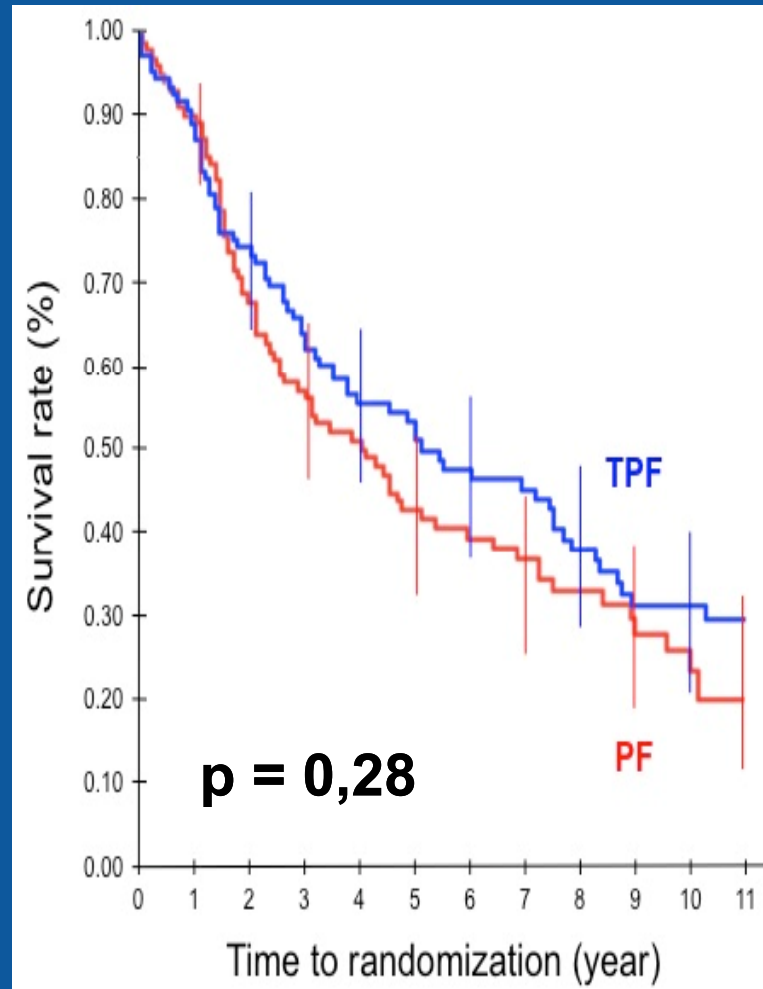


Larynx DysFunction Free Survival

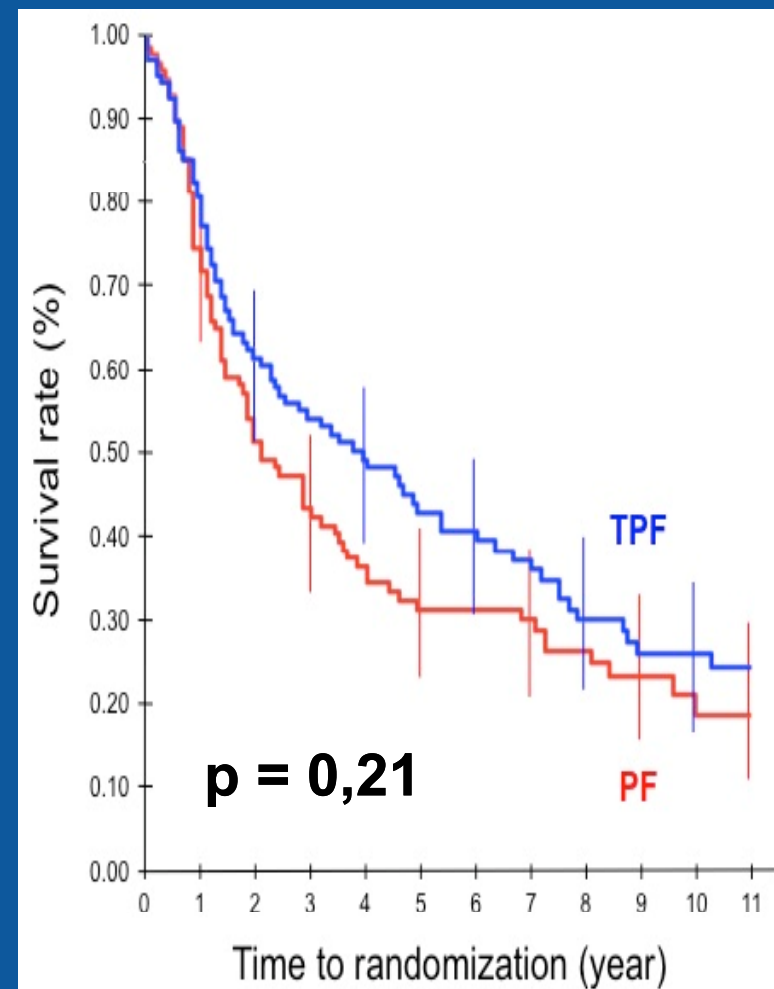


Results

Overall Survival



Disease Free Survival



Phase 3 Randomized Trial on Larynx Preservation Comparing Sequential vs Alternating Chemotherapy and Radiotherapy

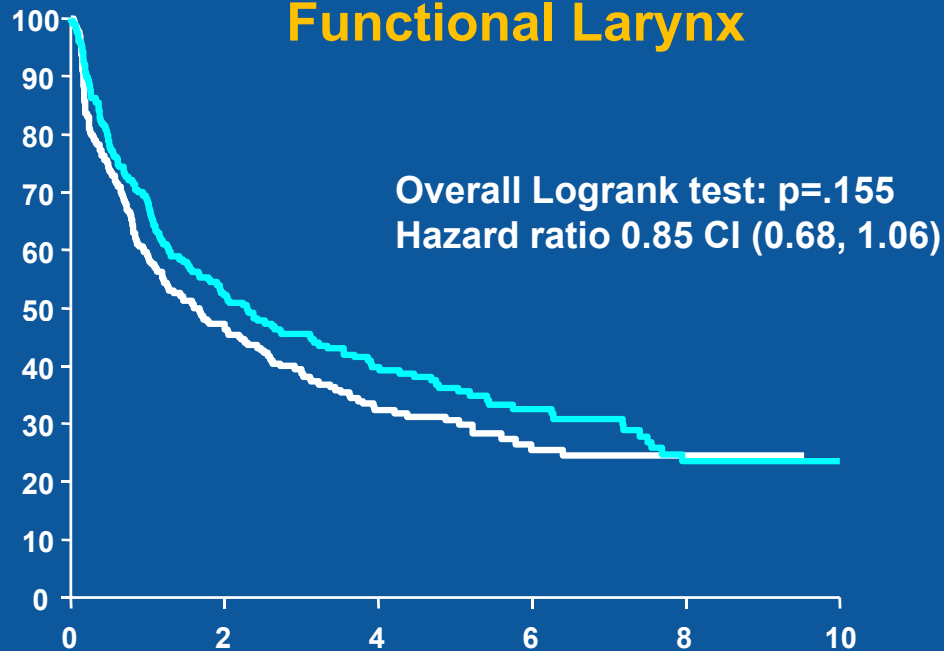
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Survival

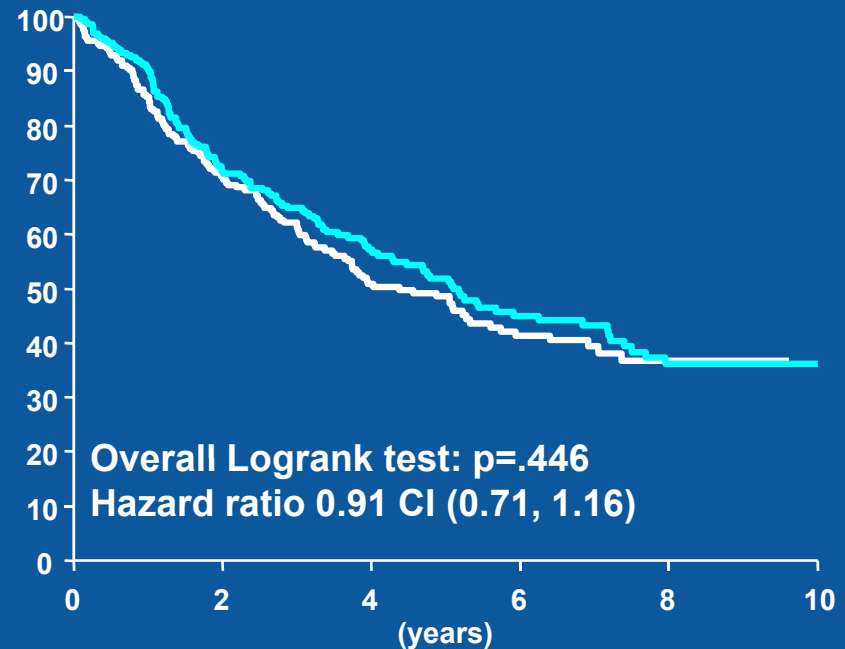
Median follow-up: 6.5 years

Survival With Functional Larynx



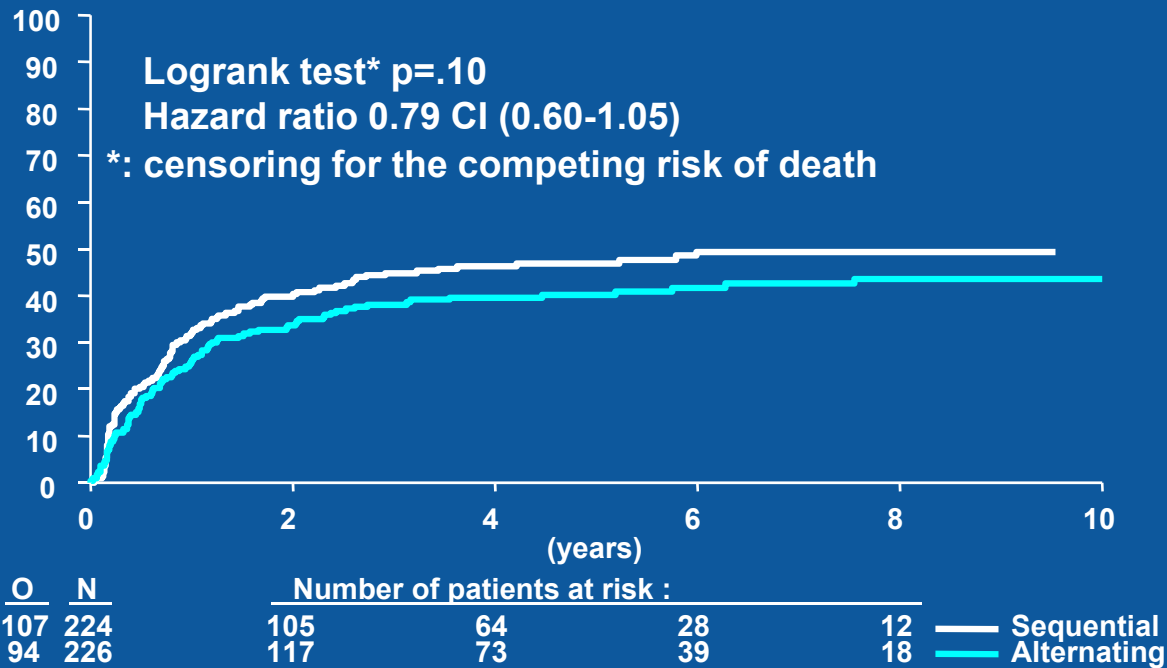
| O | N | Number of patients at risk : | | | | |
|-----|-----|------------------------------|----|----|----|---------------|
| 0 | | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | |
| 160 | 224 | 105 | 64 | 28 | 12 | — Sequential |
| 154 | 226 | 117 | 73 | 39 | 18 | — Alternating |

Overall Survival



| O | N | Number of patients at risk : | | | | |
|-----|-----|------------------------------|-----|----|----|---------------|
| 0 | | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | |
| 125 | 224 | 157 | 97 | 52 | 20 | — Sequential |
| 122 | 226 | 160 | 105 | 57 | 29 | — Alternating |

Larynx Preservation



| | SEQ (N) | ALT (N) |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Speaking: Intelligible /sociable | 125 | 145 |
| Swallowing: Normal diet, intake | 111 | 135 |
| Breathing: No dyspnea | 111 | 131 |

Of patients without laryngectomy at their last report of functioning.

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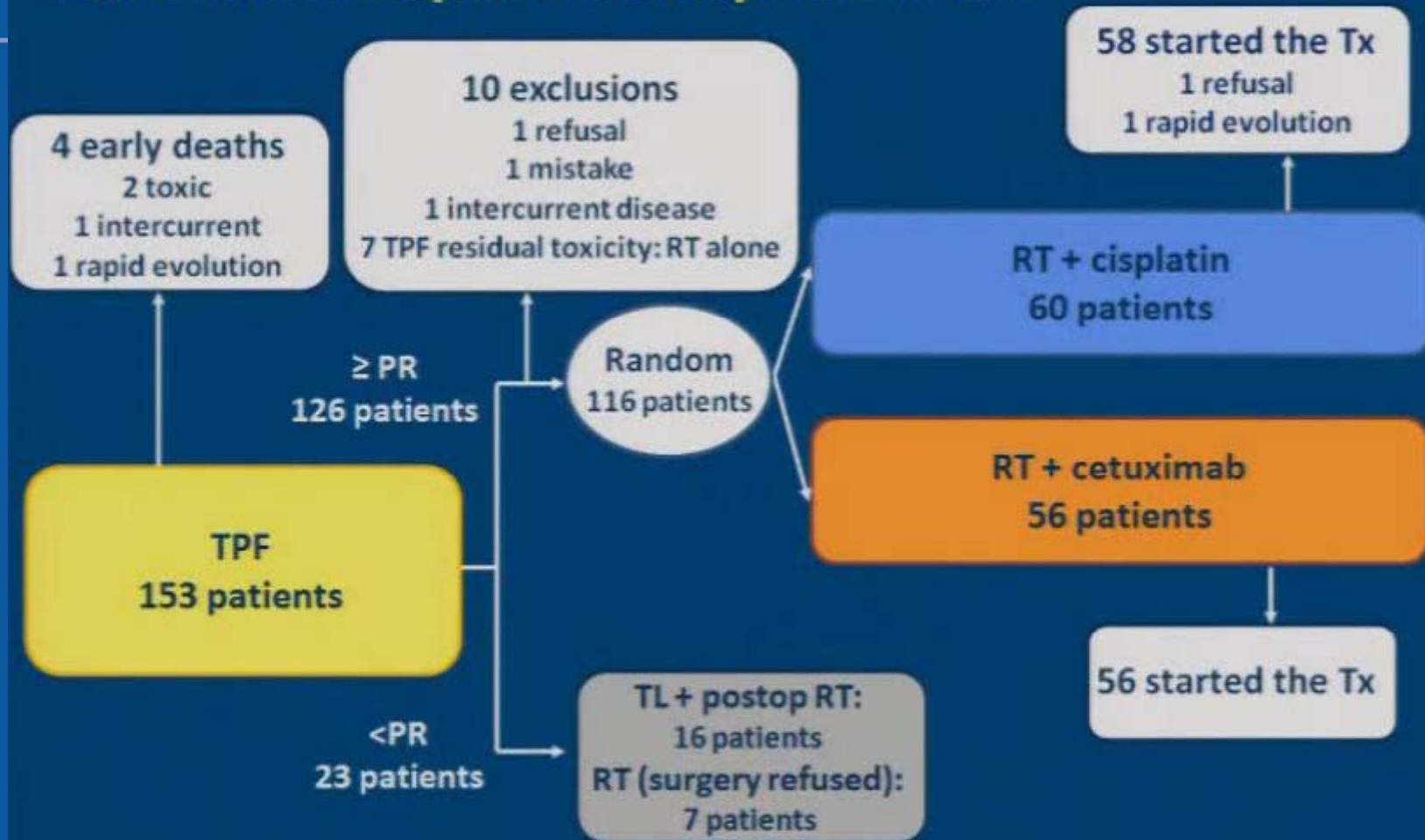
ORIGINAL REPORT

Induction Chemotherapy Followed by Either Chemoradiotherapy or Bioradiotherapy for Larynx Preservation: The TREMPLIN Randomized Phase II Study

Jean Louis Lefebvre, Yoann Pointreau, Frederic Rolland, Marc Alfonsi, Alain Baudoux, Christian Sire, Dominique de Raucourt, Olivier Malard, Marian Degardin, Claude Tuchais, Emmanuel Blot, Michel Rives, Emile Reyt, Jean Marc Tourani, Lionel Geoffrois, Frederic Peyrade, Francois Guichard, Dominique Chevalier, Emmanuel Babin, Philippe Lang, Francois Janot, Gilles Calais, Pascal Garaud, and Etienne Bardet

See accompanying editorial on page 833 and article on page 845

The randomized phase II study: TREMPLIN



P = cisplatin, F = 5-fluorouracil, T = docetaxel, TL = total laryngectomy, PR = partial response
 RT = radiotherapy, CT = computed tomography, Tx = treatment

PRESENTED AT: ASCO Annual '11 Meeting

Table 3. Acute Toxicity

| Variable | Cisplatin | | Cetuximab | |
|---|-----------|------|-----------|-----|
| | No. | % | No. | % |
| No. of patients | 58* | | 56 | |
| Mucositis grade | | | | |
| 3 | 25 | 43 | 24 | 43 |
| 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| In-field skin toxicity grade | | | | |
| 3 | 14 | 24 | 29 | 52 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Other toxicity, any grade, justifying protocol modification | | | | |
| Renal | 9 | 15.5 | 0 | |
| Hematologic | 8 | 14 | 0 | |
| Poor performance | 7 | 12 | 1 | 1.7 |
| Infusion-related reaction | 0 | | 3 | 5 |
| Protocol modification due to acute toxicity | 33 | 57 | 19 | 34 |

*Two patients did not start treatment.

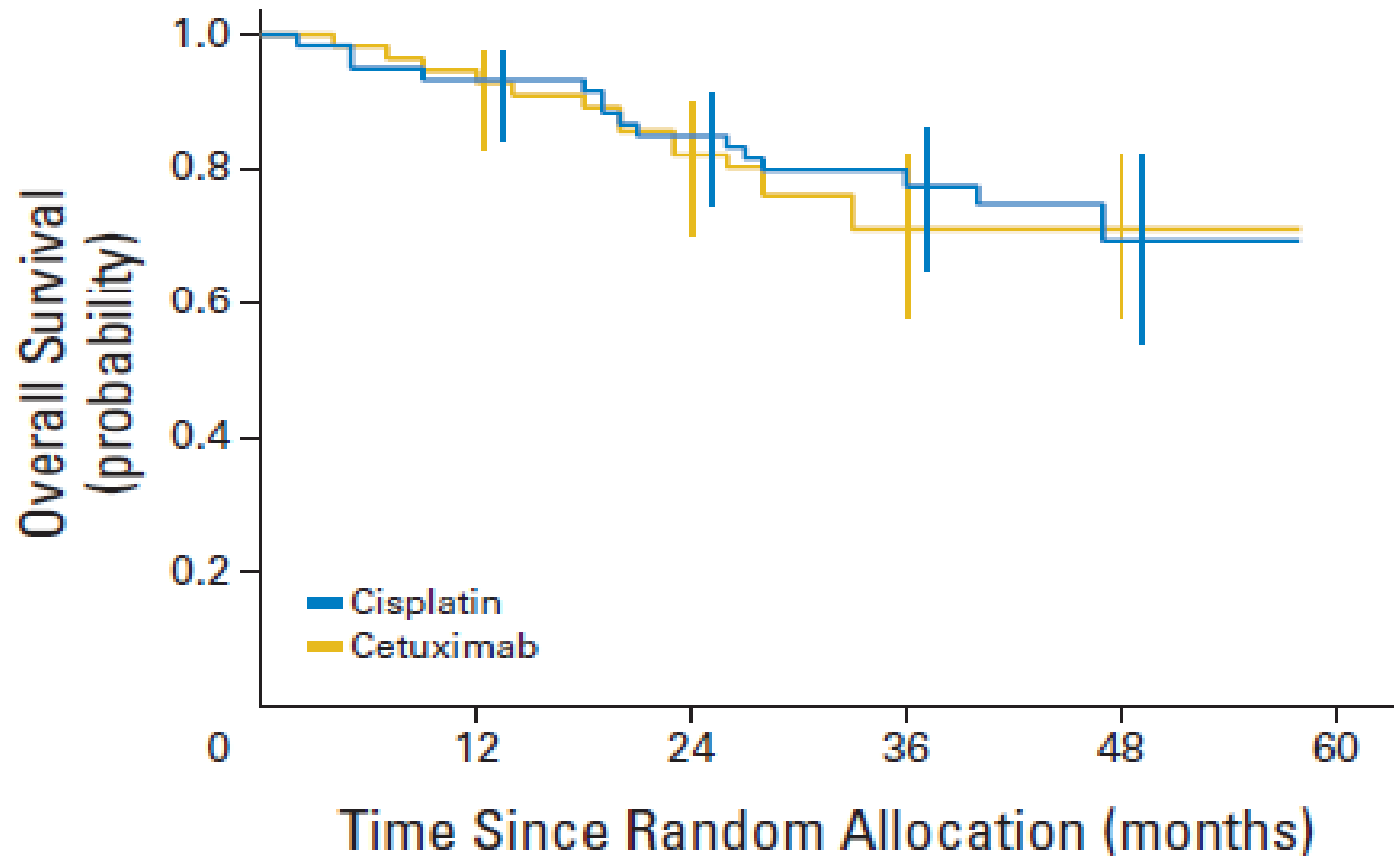
Table 5. Treatment Failures and Salvage Surgery

| Variable | Patients 18 Months Post-Treatment | | | | Patients at Last Evaluation* | | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-----------|------|------------------------------|------|-----------|------|
| | Cisplatin | | Cetuximab | | Cisplatin | | Cetuximab | |
| | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| Local (with or without regional) failure | 5† | 8.3 | 8 | 14.3 | 8 | 13.3 | 12 | 21.4 |
| Surgery feasible | 0 | | 7 | | 1 | | 9‡ | |
| Surgery successful | | | | | 0 | | 6 | |
| Ultimate local failure | | | | | 8 | 13.3 | 6 | 10.7 |
| Regional failure only | 5 | 8.3 | 5 | 8.9 | 4 | 6.7 | 5 | 8.9 |
| Surgery feasible | | | | | 1 | | 4 | |
| Surgery successful | | | | | 0 | | 1 | |
| Ultimate regional failure | | | | | 4 | | 4 | |
| Distant metastases | | | | | 5 | 8.3 | 3 | 5.4 |
| Second primary cancer | | | | | 7 | 11.7 | 8 | 14.3 |

*Median follow-up, 36 months; maximum follow-up, 58 months in each arm.

†One patient with uncontrolled disease lost to follow-up.

‡One patient refused all further treatment, including salvage surgery.



| | | | | | |
|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cisplatin | 60 | 56 (0.93) | 51 (0.84) | 32 (0.78) | 13 (0.70) |
| Cetuximab | 56 | 52 (0.93) | 45 (0.82) | 25 (0.71) | 11 (0.71) |

Conclusions

- Organ preservation in selected stage III and IV laryngeal/hypopharyngeal cancer pts is a SOC option
- MDT is essential
- Tumor biology will help in pt selection

Management of nasopharyngeal cancer



Cai Grau

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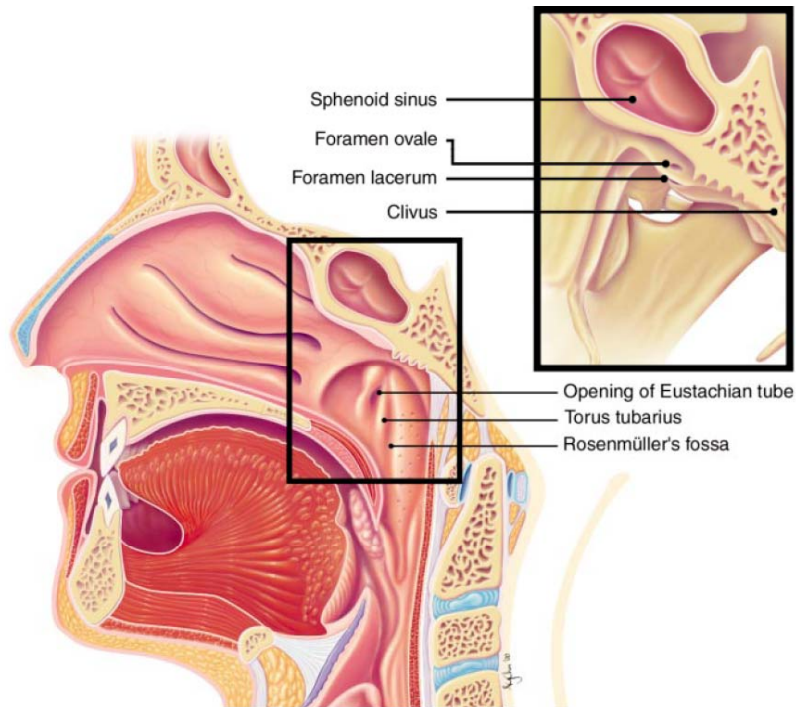
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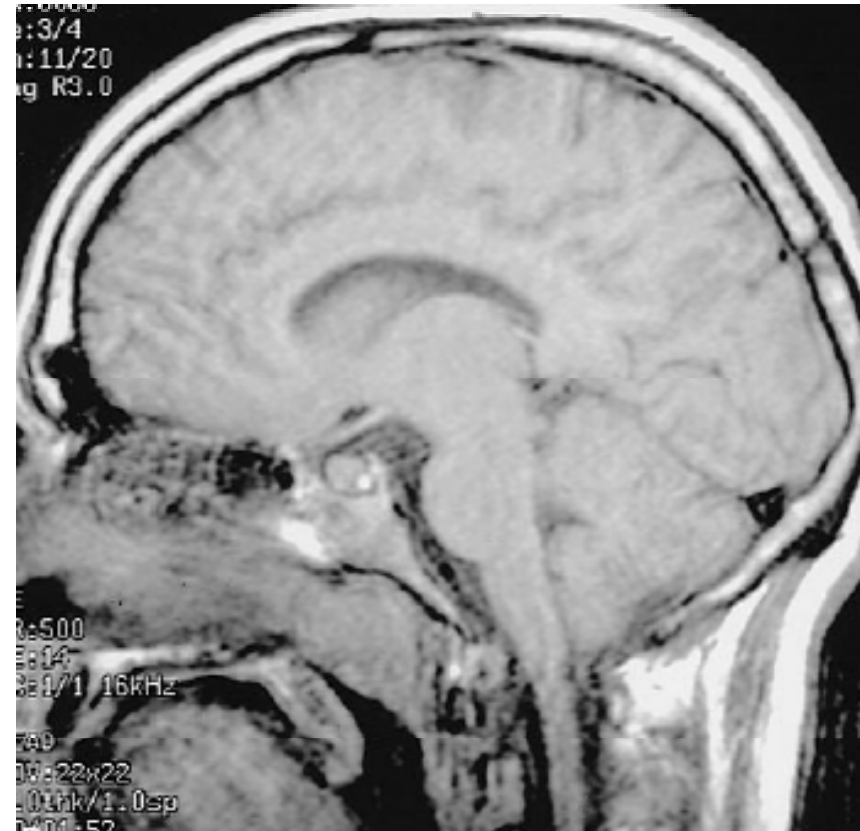
- Anatomy, aetiology, pathology, staging
- Radiotherapy (IMRT, volumes, techniques)
- Chemotherapy
- Radiotherapy morbidity
- Novel approaches
- Salvage treatment of loco-regional recurrences (re-irradiation, surgery, brachy)

Anatomy

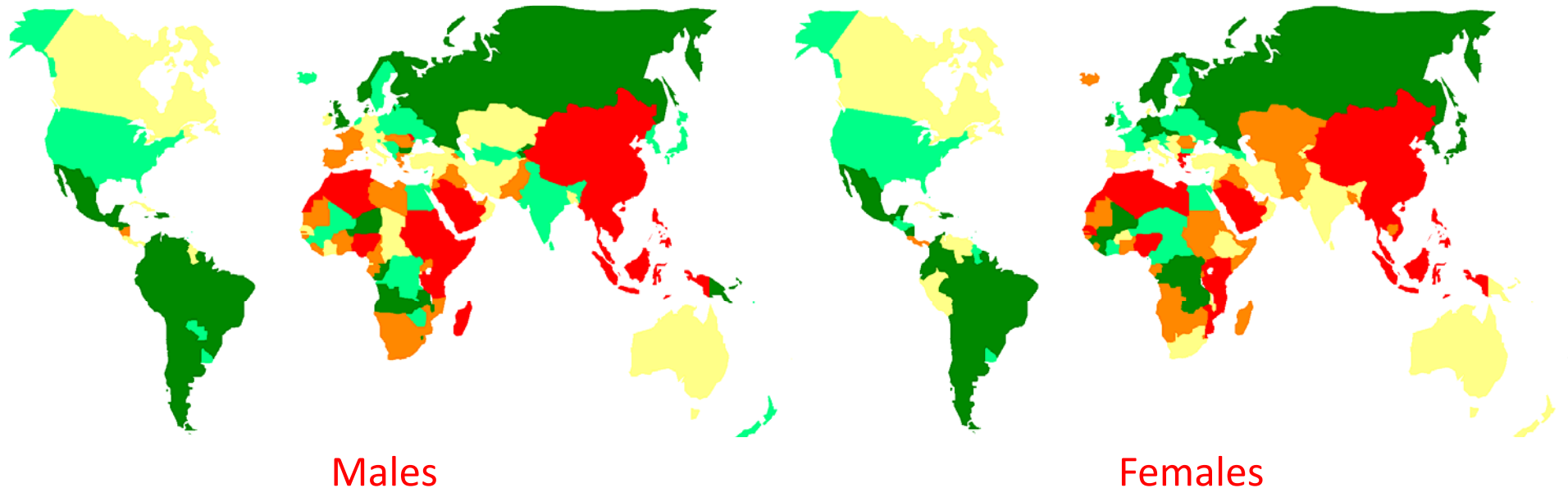


- Nasal cavity
- Oropharynx
- Base of skull
- C1 (odontoid proces)

- Spinal cord, brain stem
- Parotid gland
- Inner ear
- Pituitary gland
- Optic chiasm
- Temporal lobes



Global Incidence

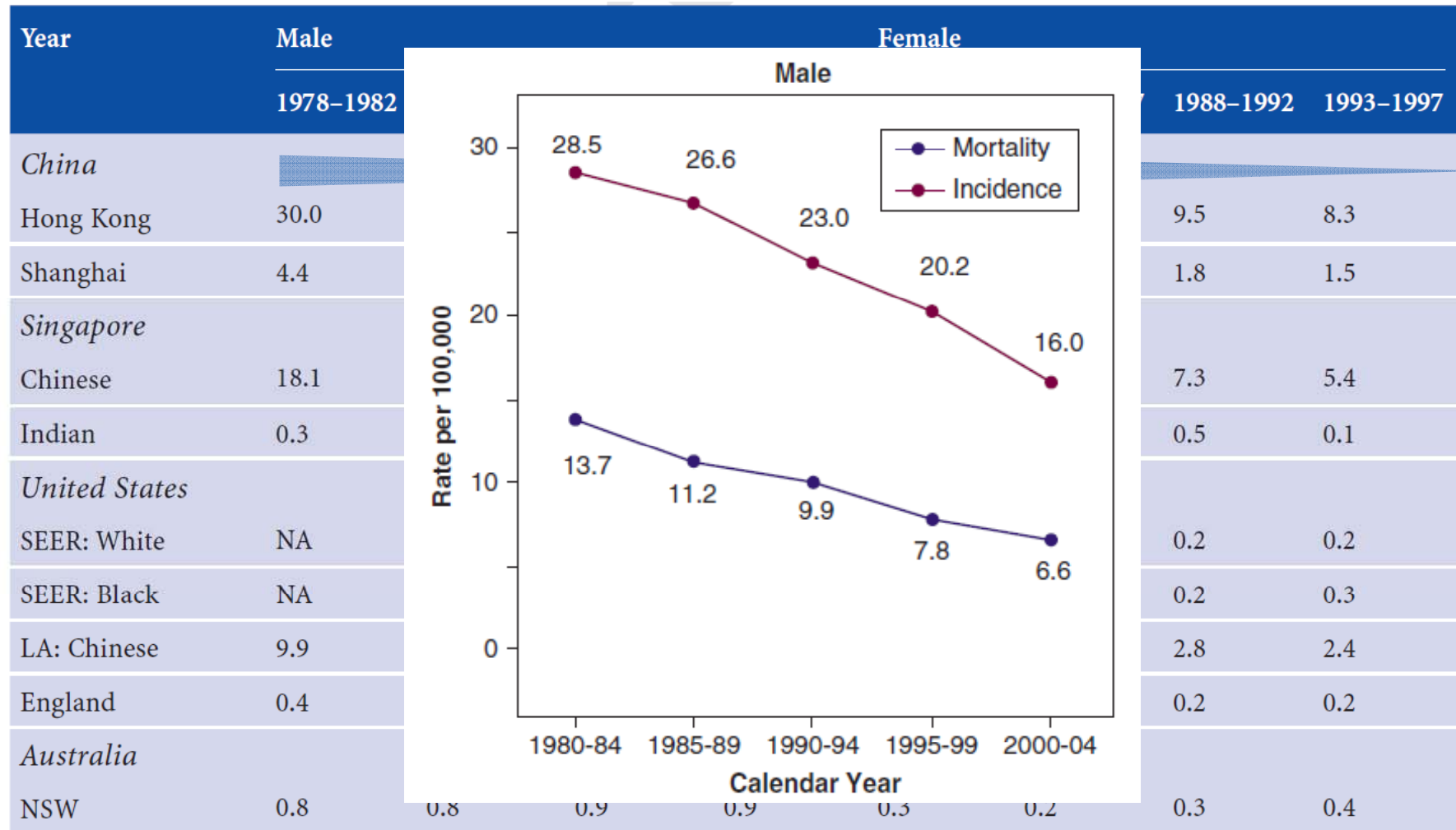


- ASR (cases/100.000/year) is <1 among Caucasians compared to >20 among Southern Chinese males
- Chinese immigrant populations to western countries have progressively lower NPC risk, but their incidence remains higher than the 'native' populations
- NPC incidence rate in Chinese born in the Orient 20.5, compared with 1.3 for Chinese born in Canada, and 0.2 for white people born in Canada
- First-degree relatives of NPC patients have 4–10 fold excess risk

Pathology

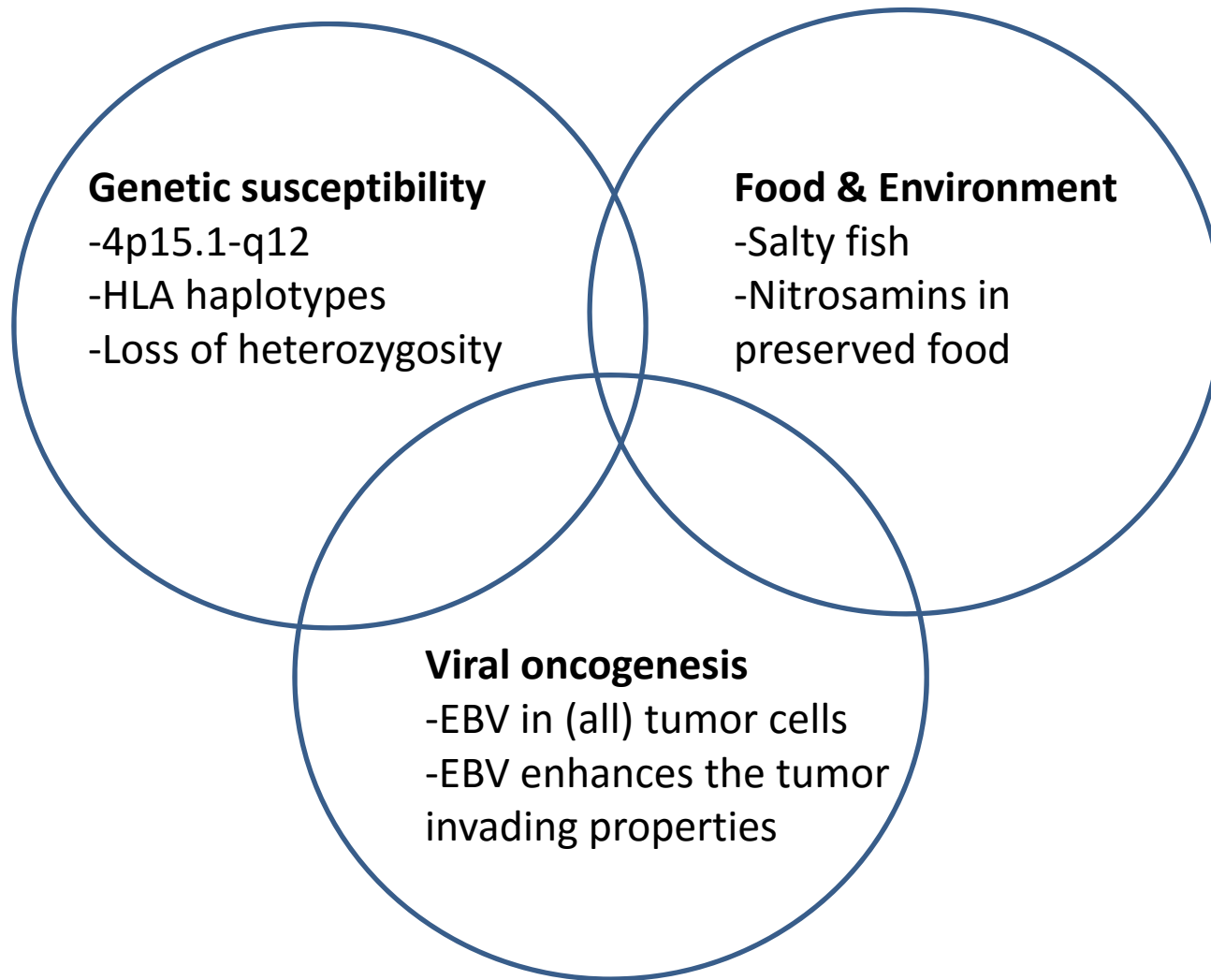
| WHO | I Keratinizing squamous cell ca | II Non-keratinizing carcinoma | III Undifferentiated carcinoma |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| USA | 25% | 12% | 63% |
| Southern China | 2% | 3% | 95% |
| | | | |

Incidence in different communities during different periods



From Lee A.W. M. et al. (2009): Nasopharynx. In "Function Preservation and Quality of Life in Head and Neck Radiotherapy".

Ethiological factors



Diagnostic work-up

- Clinical examination, inspection, palpation
- Flexible endoscopy
- MRI / CT
- PET/CT

- Lab tests
- Chest X-ray / CT
- (Bone scan)

Nasopharynx – 7th edition

T1 Nasopharynx, **oropharynx or nasal cavity (was T2a)** without parapharyngeal extension

T2 Parapharyngeal extension (**was T2b**)

T3 Bony structures of skull base and/or paranasal sinuses

T4 Intracranial, cranial nerves, hypopharynx, orbit, infratemporal fossa/ masticator space

N1 Unilateral **cervical**, unilateral or bilateral retropharyngeal lymph nodes, above supraclavicular fossa; ≤ 6 cm

N2 Bilateral **cervical** above supraclavicular fossa; ≤ 6 cm

N3a >6 cm; N3b Supraclavicular fossa

Anatomical Stage Groups

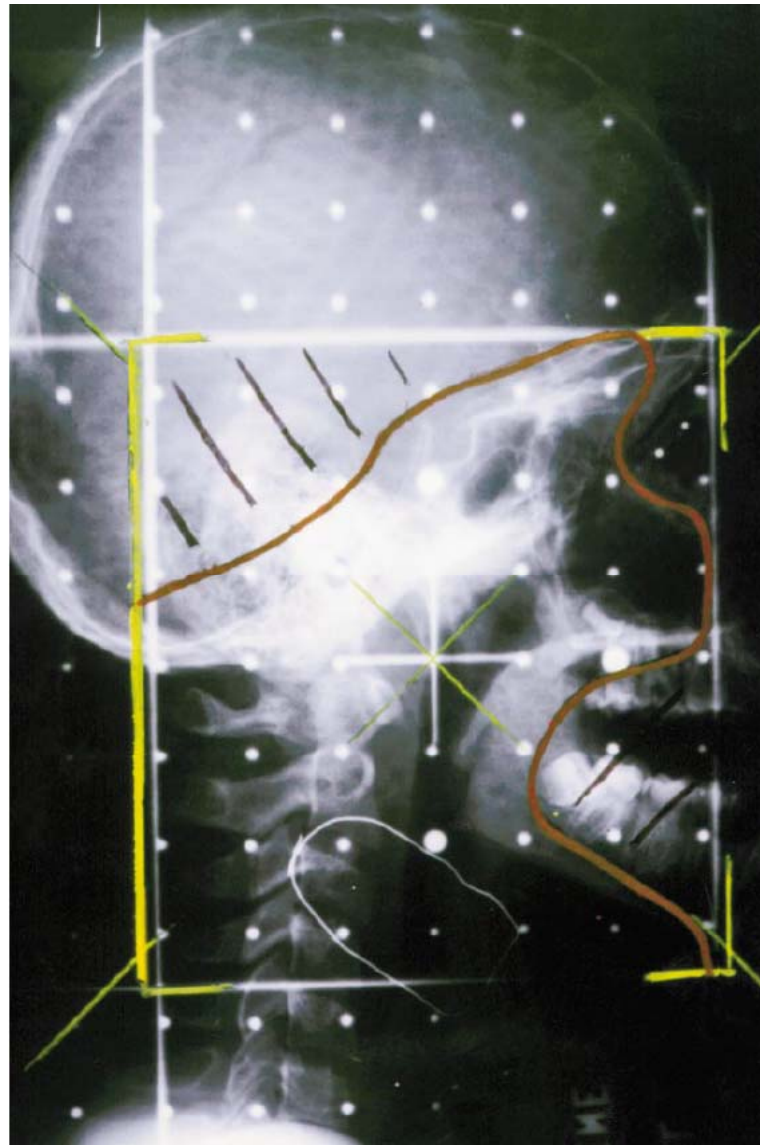
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|-----------|--------|----------|
| Stage I | T1 | N0 |
| Stage II | T1 | N1 |
| | T2 | N0, N1 |
| Stage III | T1, T2 | N2 |
| | T3 | N0, 1, 2 |
| Stage IVA | T4 | N0, 1, 2 |
| Stage IVB | Any T | N3 |
| Stage IVC | Any T | Any N |
| | M1 | |

Stage II compressed

← Changes from TNM 6

Treatment options

- External beam radiotherapy
- Chemotherapy
- Brachytherapy boost
- Surgery



Nodal involvement

Distribution of clinical metastatic neck nodes from head and neck squamous cell carcinomas^a

| Tumor site | Patients with N+ (%) | Distribution of metastatic lymph nodes per level (percentage of the node- positive patients) | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | I | II | III | IV | V | Other ^b |
| Oral cavity (<i>n</i> = 787) | 36 | 42/3.5 ^c | 79/8 | 18/3 | 5/1 | 1/0 | 1.4/0.3 |
| Oropharynx (<i>n</i> = 1479) | 64 | 13/2 | 81/24 | 23/5 | 9/2.5 | 13/3 | 2/1 |
| Hypopharynx (<i>n</i> = 847) | 70 | 2/0 | 80/13 | 51/4 | 20/3 | 24/2 | 3/1 |
| Supraglottic larynx (<i>n</i> = 428) | 55 | 2/0 | 71/21 | 48/10 | 18/7 | 15/4 | 2/0 |
| Nasopharynx (<i>n</i> = 440) | 80 | 9/5 | 71/56 | 36/32 | 22/15 | 32/26 | 15/10 |

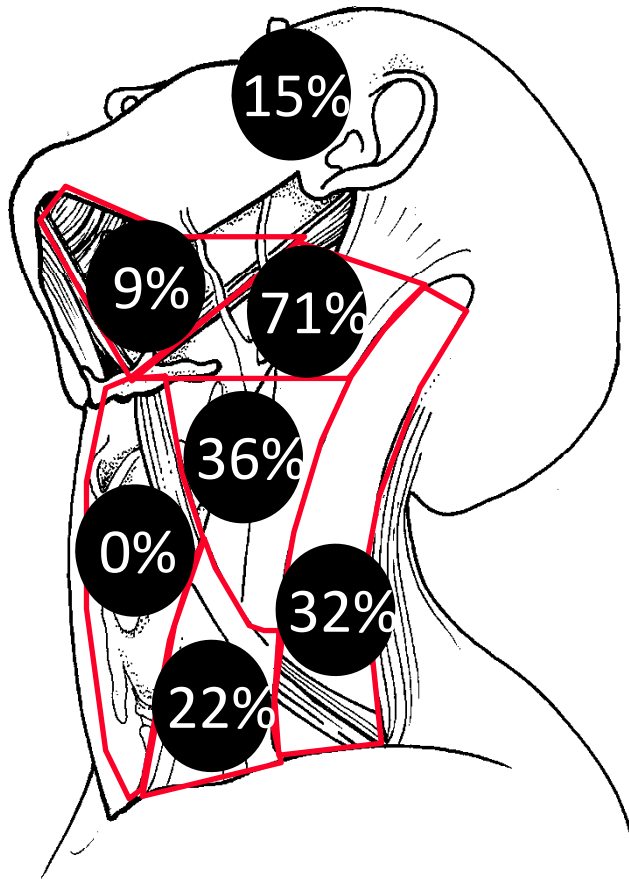
^a Redrawn from Refs. [3,28,49].

^b Parotid, buccal nodes.

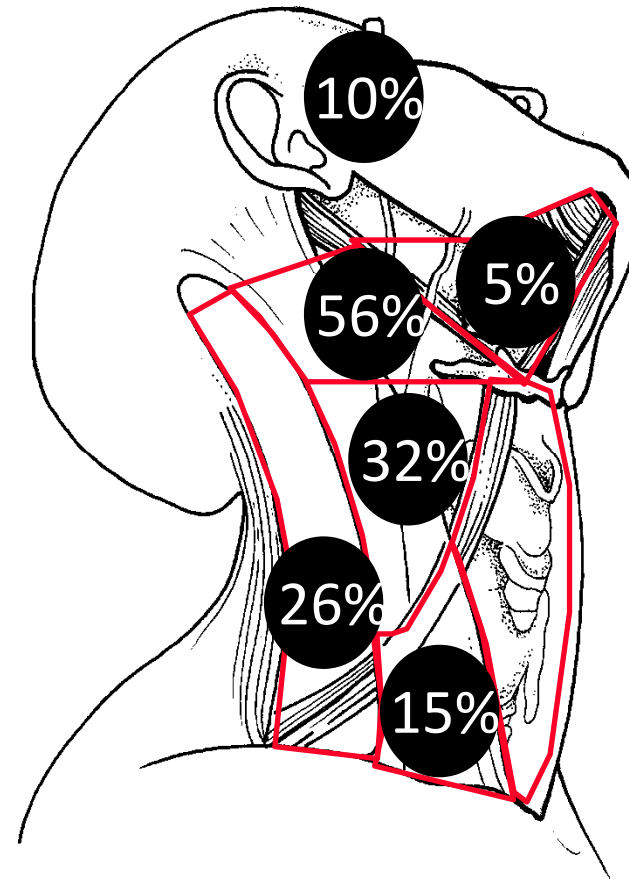
^c Ipsilateral/contralateral nodes.

Distribution of lymph node metastasis in nasopharyngeal tumors (clinical examination)

Ipsilateral nodes



Contralateral nodes



From Gregoire (2000) based on Lindberg and Sham

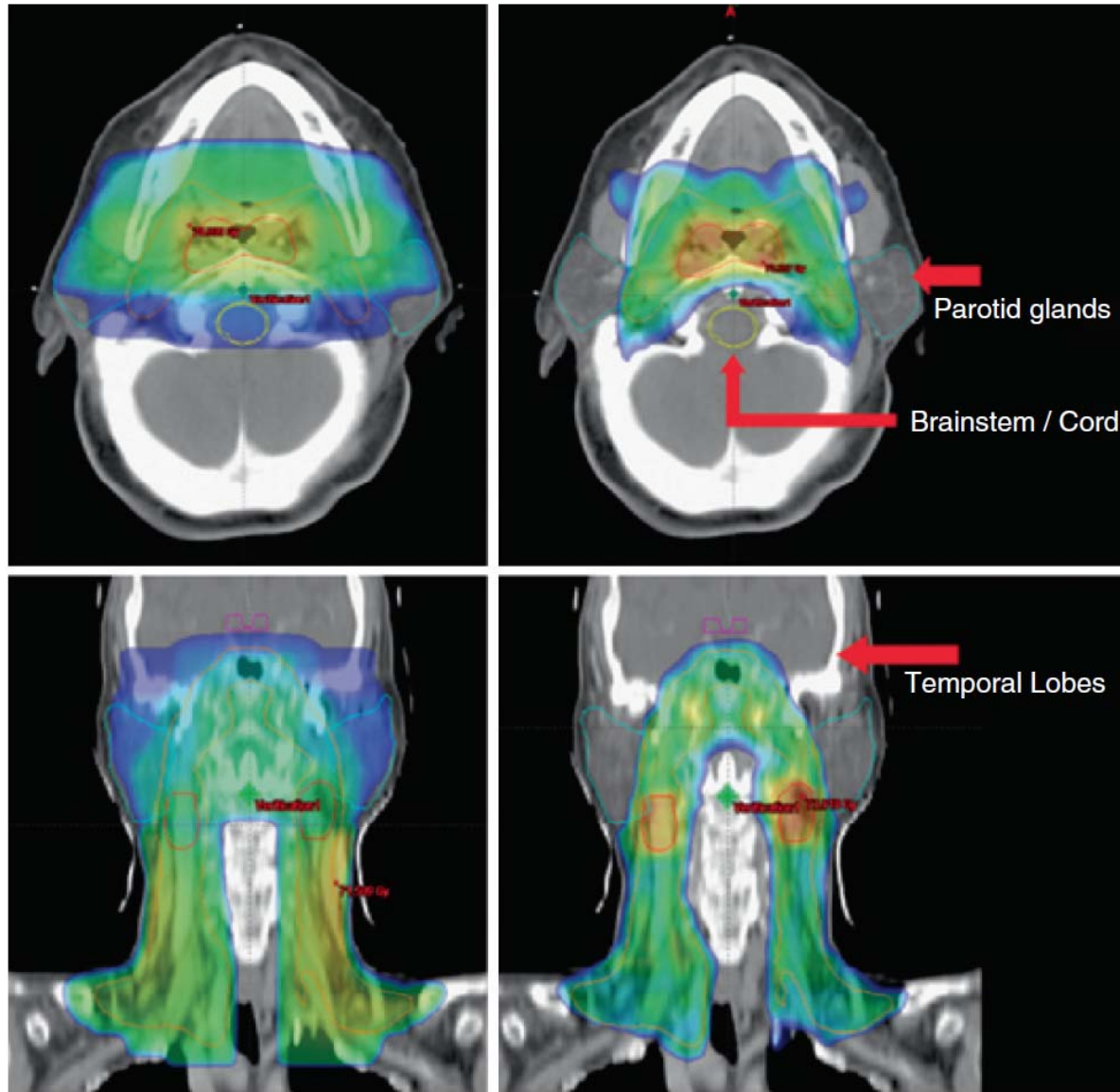
CTV Elective lymph nodes NPC

| Stage | Ipsilateral neck | Contralateral neck |
|---------|---|---|
| N0-N1 | II-III-IV-V + RP | II-III-IV-V + RP |
| N2a-N2b | II-III-IV-V + RP | II-III-IV-V + RP |
| N2c | According to N stage on each side of the neck | According to N stage on each side of the neck |
| N3 | II-III-IV-V +RP ± adjacent structures according to clinical judgment | II-III-IV-V +RP |

2D

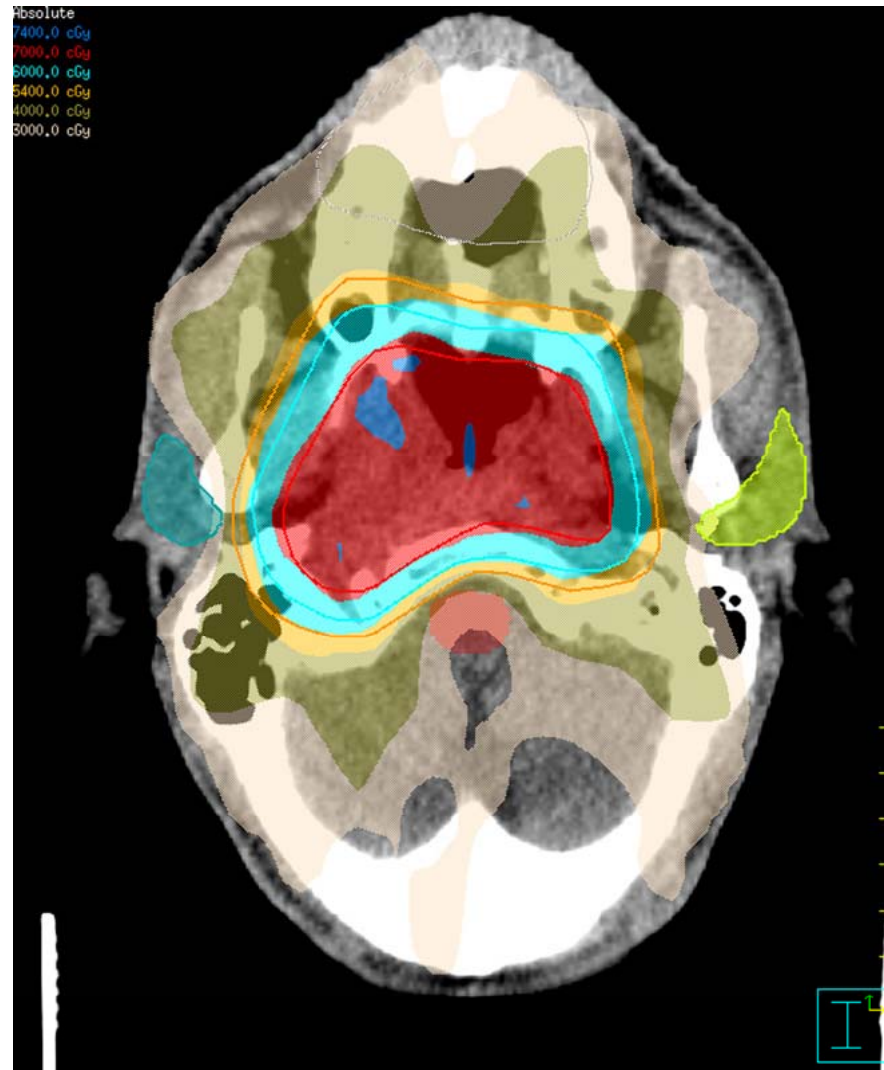
IMRT

Improvement in dose distribution with increase sparing of normal structures



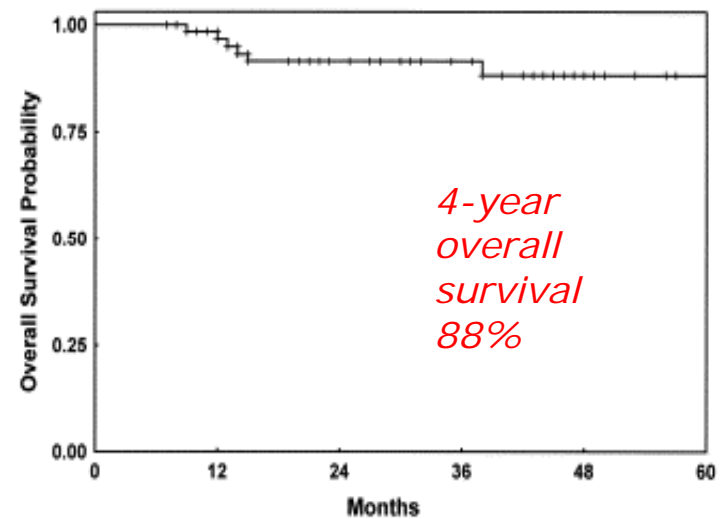
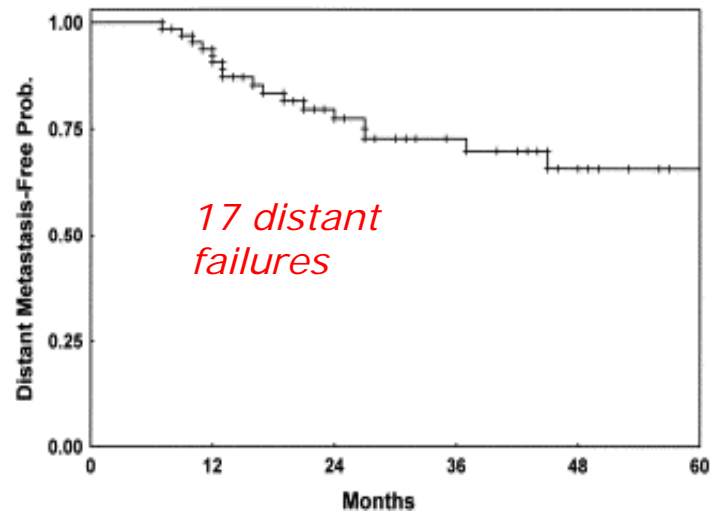
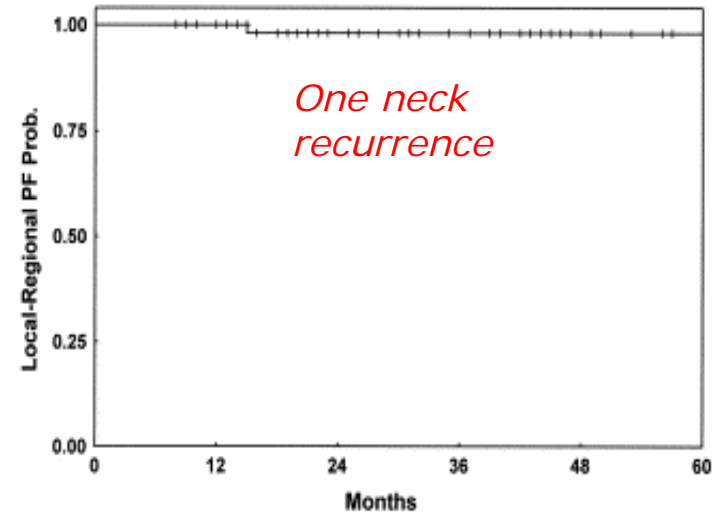
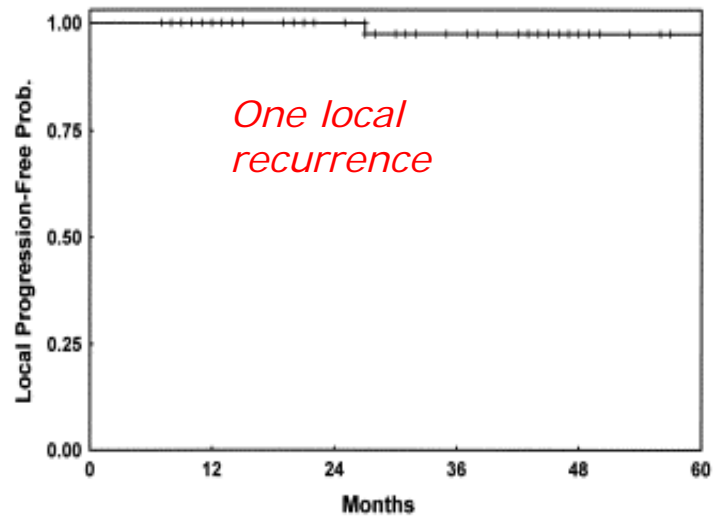
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SIB – simultaneous integrated boost



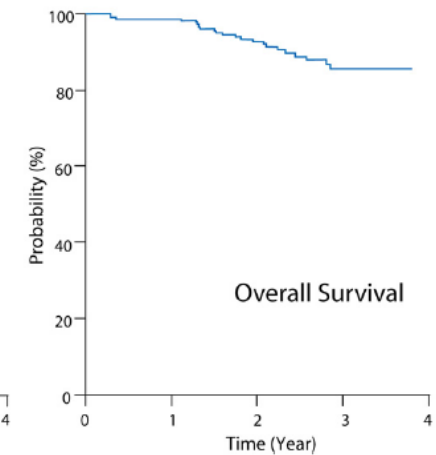
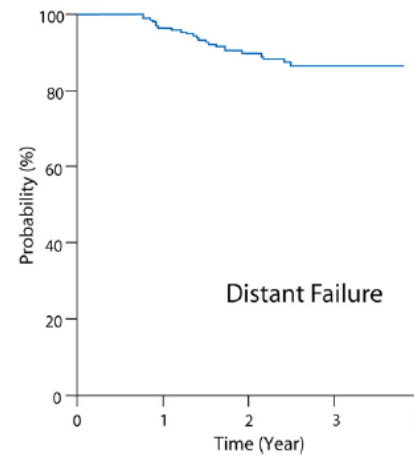
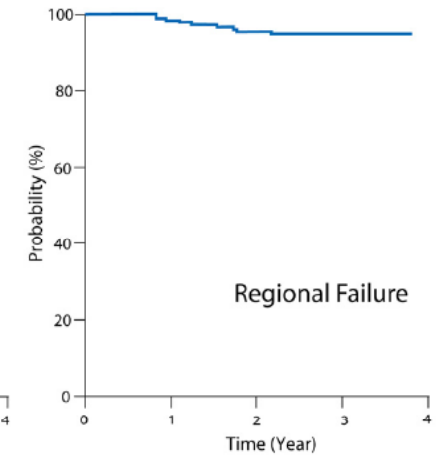
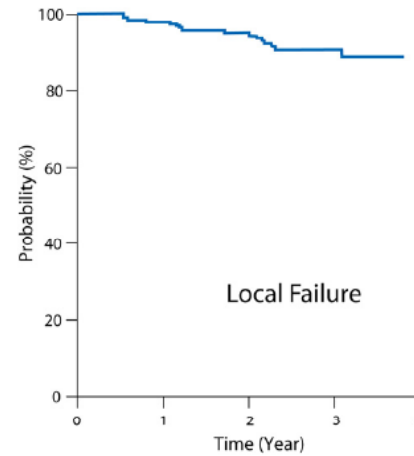
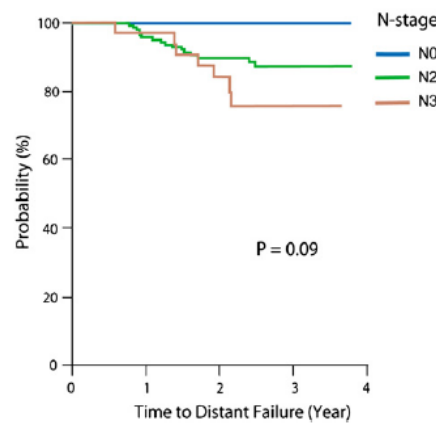
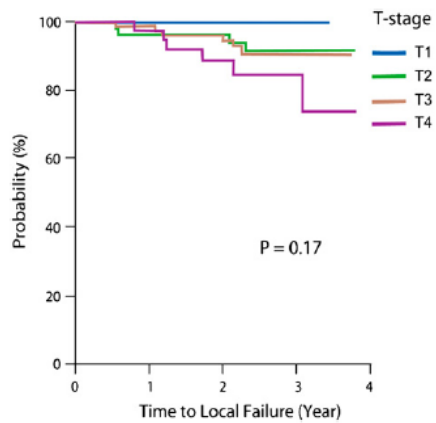
IMRT for NPC

67 pts - 70% stage 3-4 – UCSF 1995-2000 - Lee *et al.* IJROBP 53:12-22,2002



IMRT for NPC

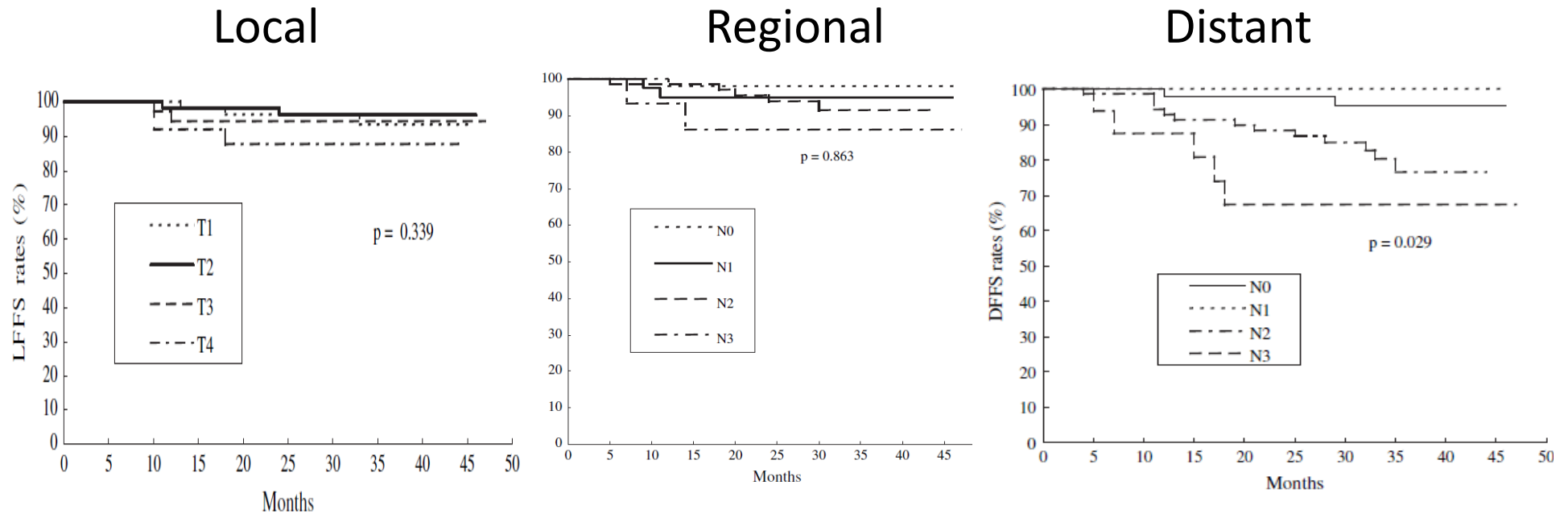
193 NPC patients; 93% had Stage III/IV disease



SIB – IMRT

(Hong Kong, n=179)

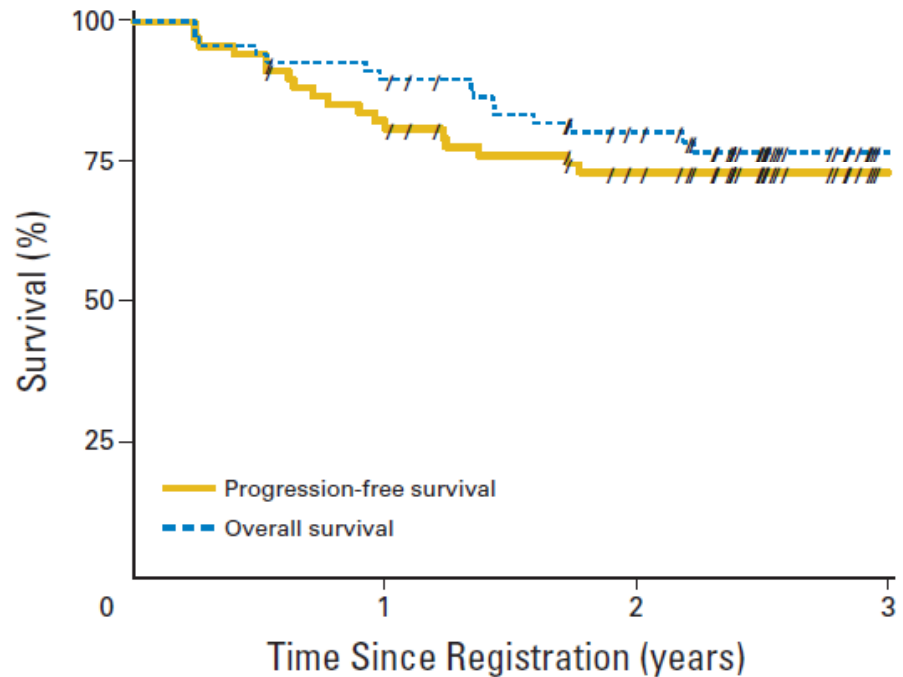
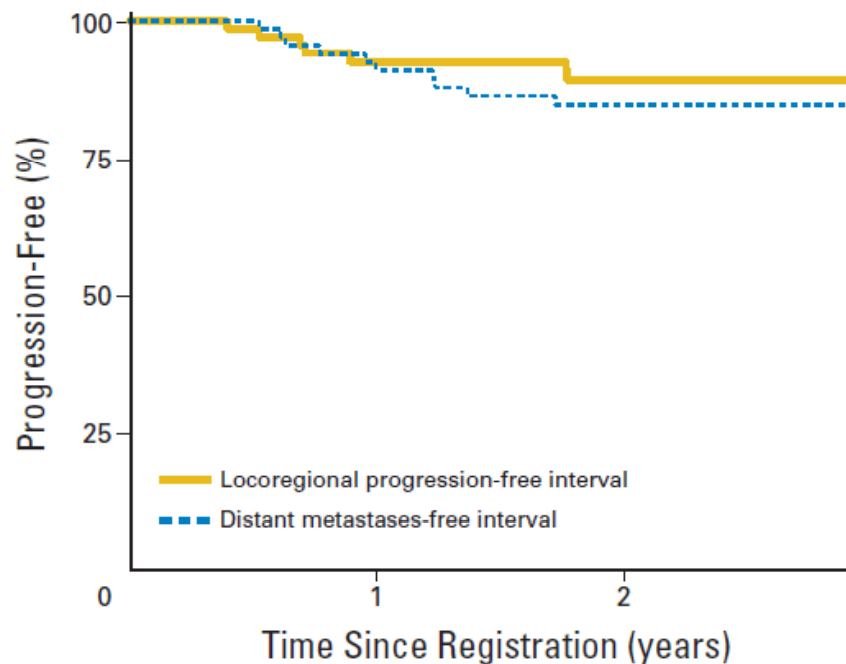
70 Gy, 60 Gy, and 54 Gy in 33 fx in 6.5 weeks (2.17 Gy/fx), 70% received chemo



No late Grade 3 or 4 **toxicities**, but short median follow-up

NPC IMRT

Phase II multi-institutional RTOG 0225 (n=68)



..feasible to transport IMRT with or without chemotherapy in the treatment of NPC to a multi-institutional setting with 90% LRPF rate reproducing excellent reports from single institutions. Minimal grade 3 and lack of grade 4 xerostomia

Lee N, *J Clin Oncol* 27:3684-3690, 2009

Topics

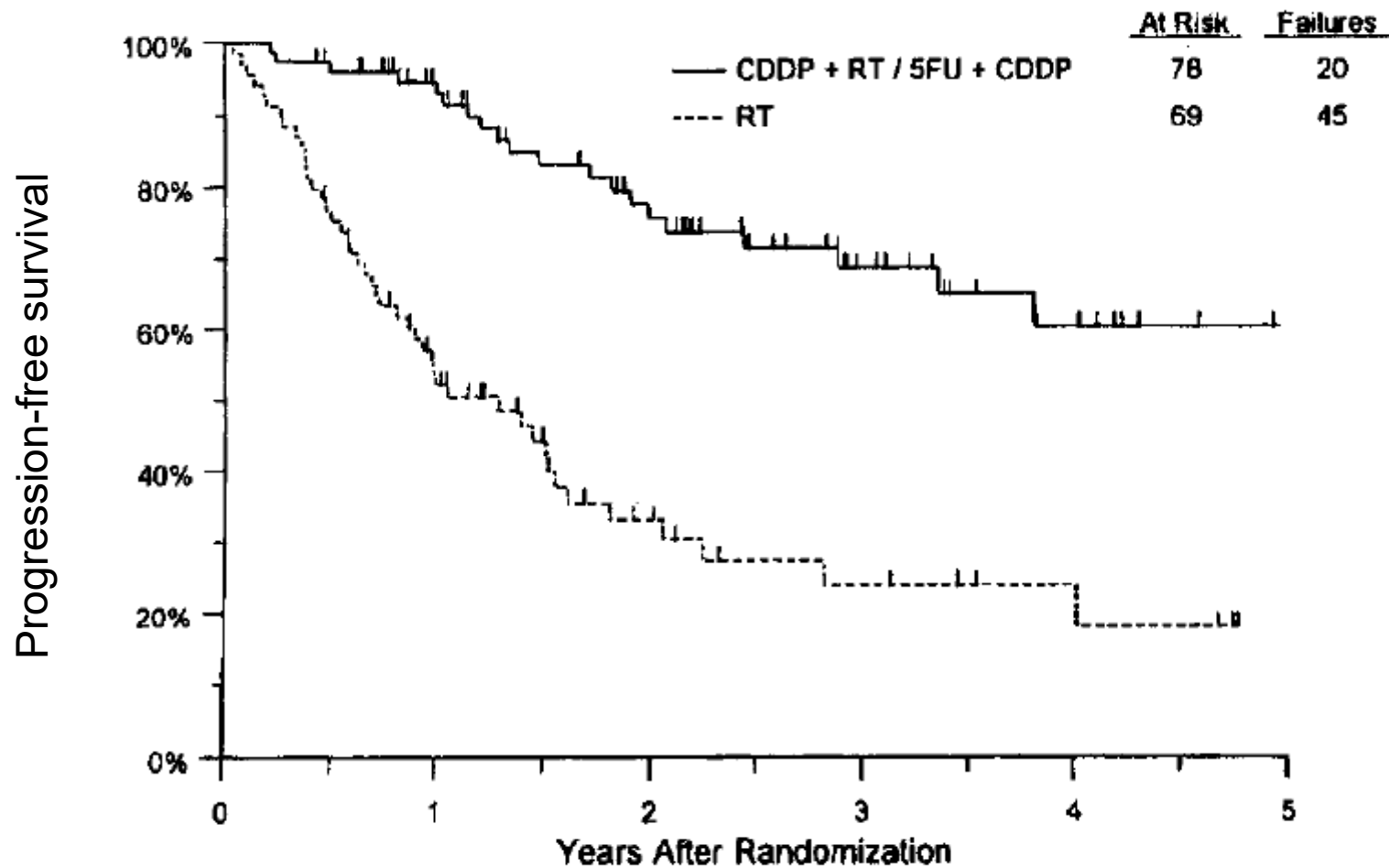
- Anatomy, aetiology, pathology, staging
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NPC - chemotherapy

- Induction chemotherapy ?
- Concomitant chemo-radiation ?
- Adjuvant chemotherapy ?

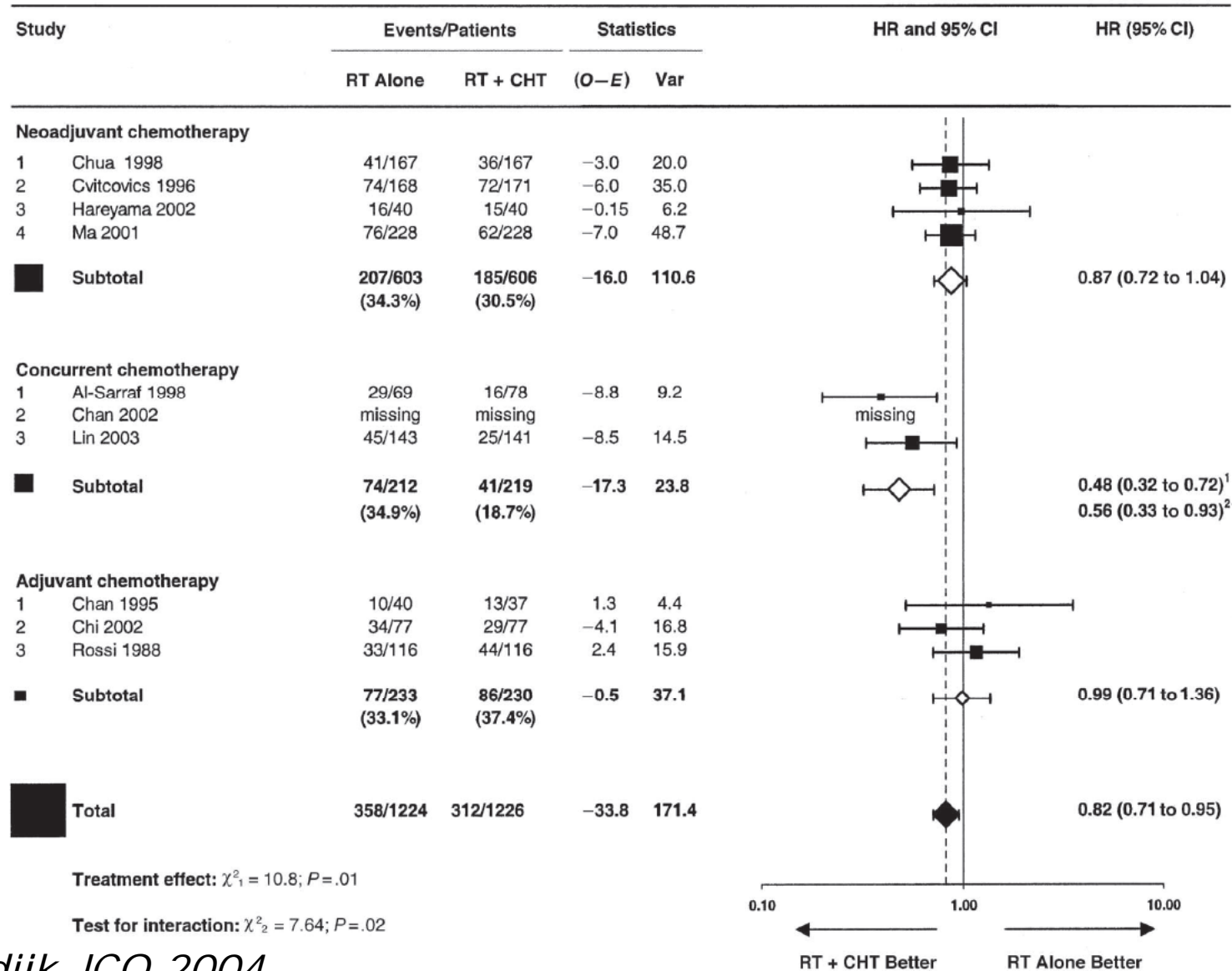
NPC RT \pm chemo (cis + adj cis-FU)

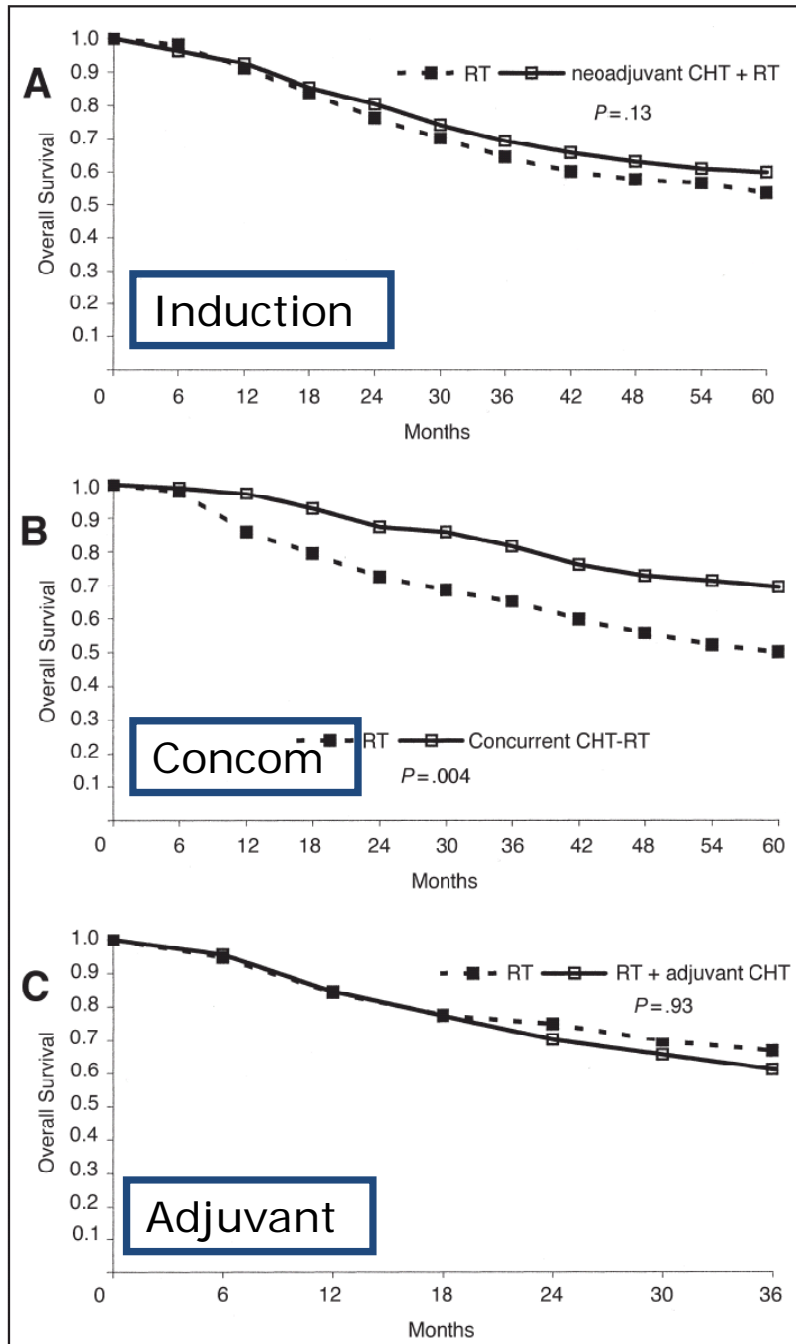
Intergroup 0099 (n=147)



Al-Sarraf et al, JCO 1998

Meta-analysis NPC RT ± chemo



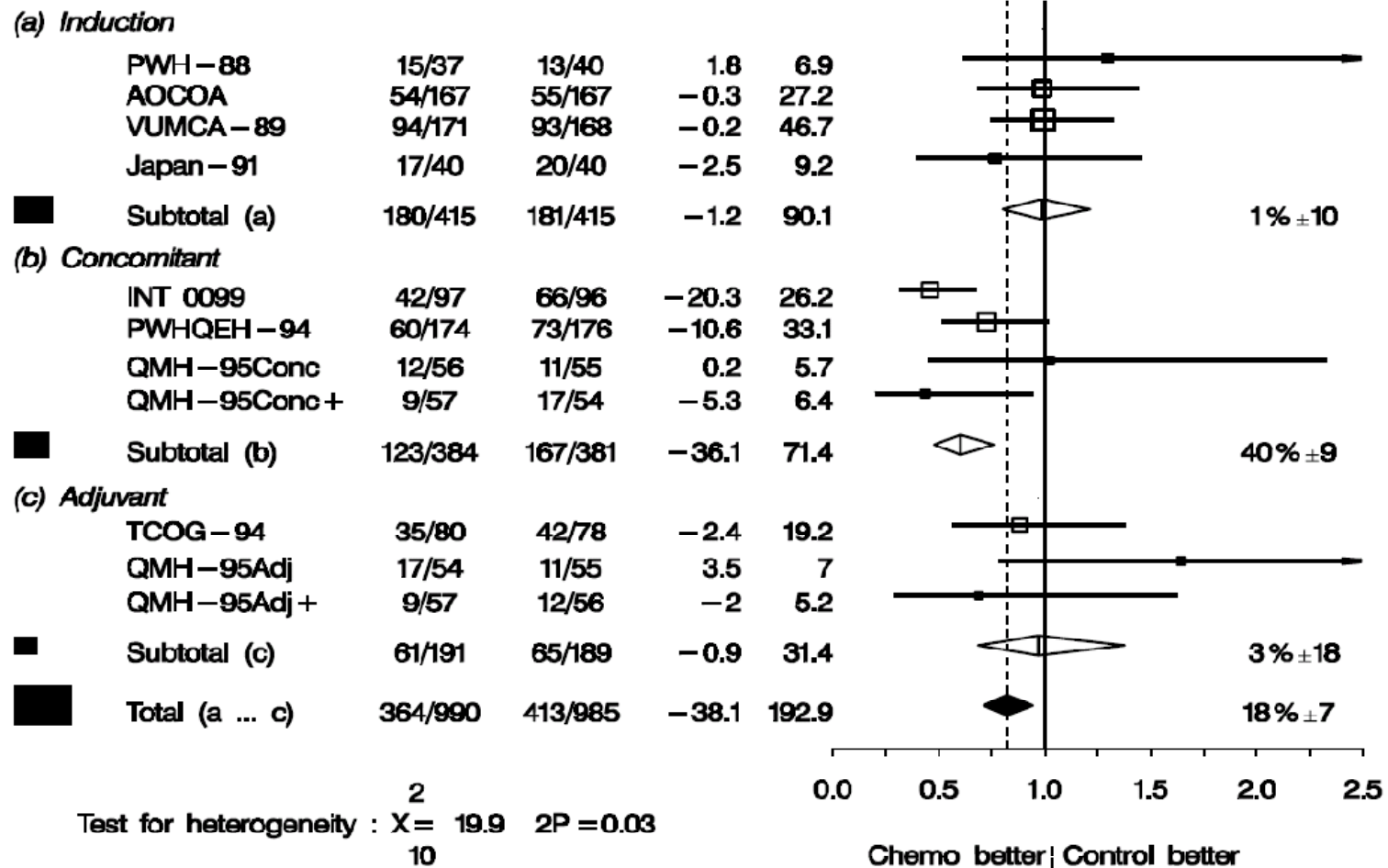


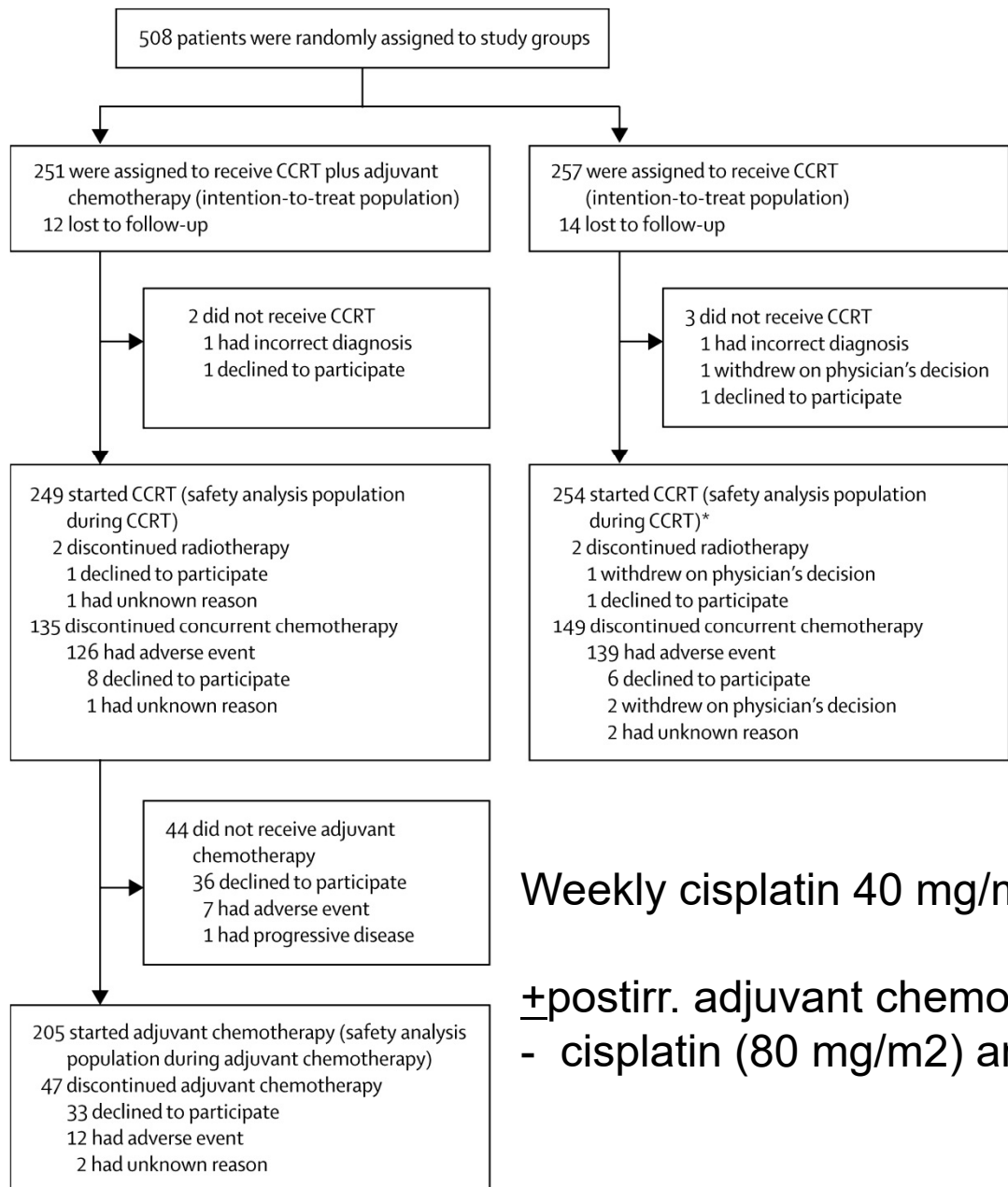
NPC Meta-analysis n = 2,455



survival benefit of 20% after 5 years

CHEMOTHERAPY IN LOCALLY ADVANCED NPC: AN INDIVIDUAL PATIENT DATA META-ANALYSIS OF 8 RANDOMIZED TRIALS AND 1753 PATIENTS





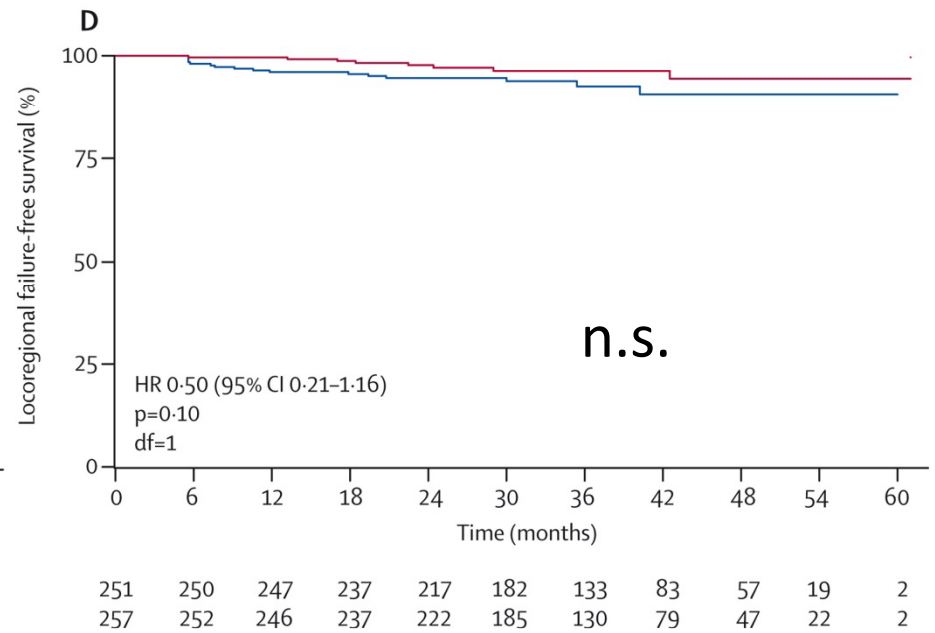
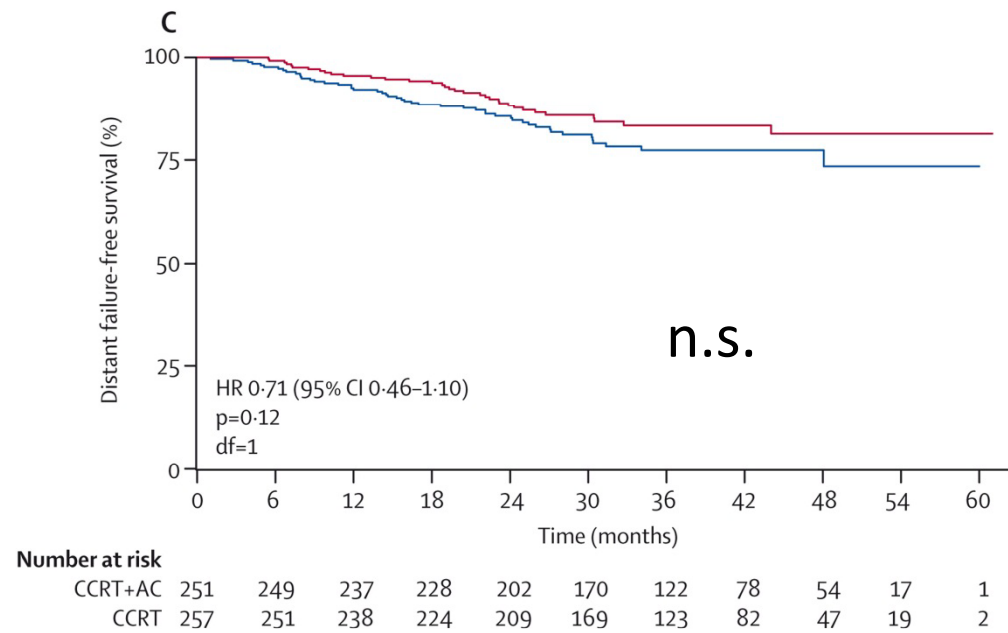
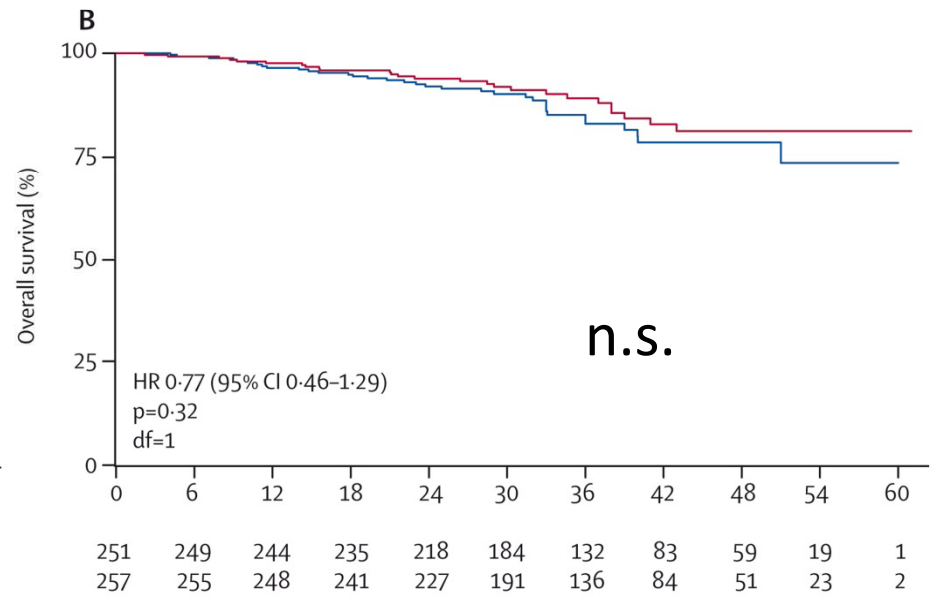
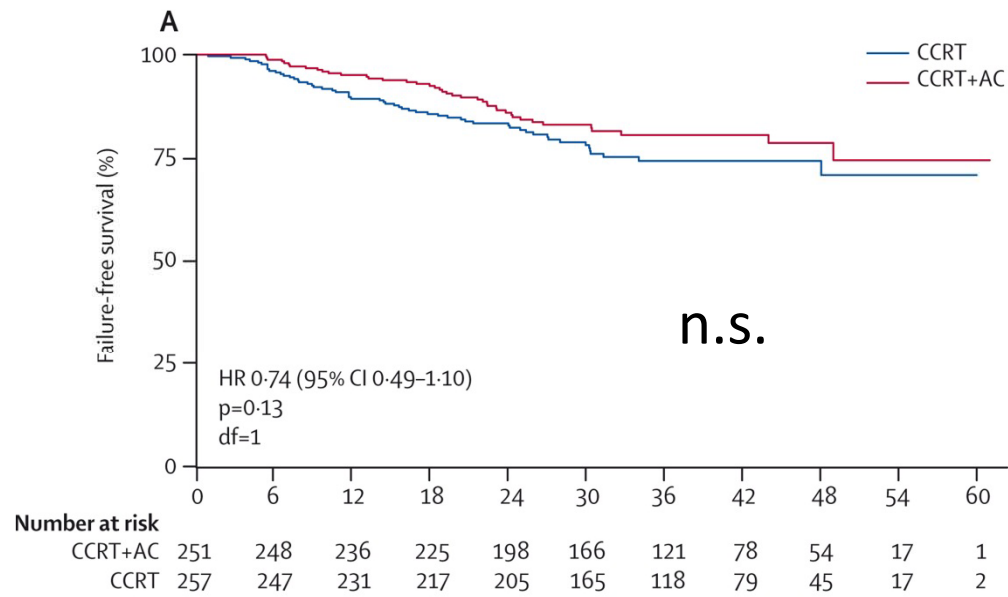
Role of adjuvant Cis-FU

Hong Kong trial (n=508)

Weekly cisplatin 40 mg/m²

±postirr. adjuvant chemotherapy 3 cycles

- cisplatin (80 mg/m²) and 5-FU (800 mg/m²/day for 120h)



Chen et al. Lancet Oncology 2012; 13:163-171.

Conclusions - chemotherapy

- The addition of chemotherapy to standard RT provides a significant survival benefit in patients with NPC.
- This benefit is essentially observed when chemotherapy is administered concomitantly with RT.
- The role of induction chemotherapy is questionable – trials w/ new drugs are ongoing
- Adjuvant chemotherapy after chemoradiotherapy has been questioned

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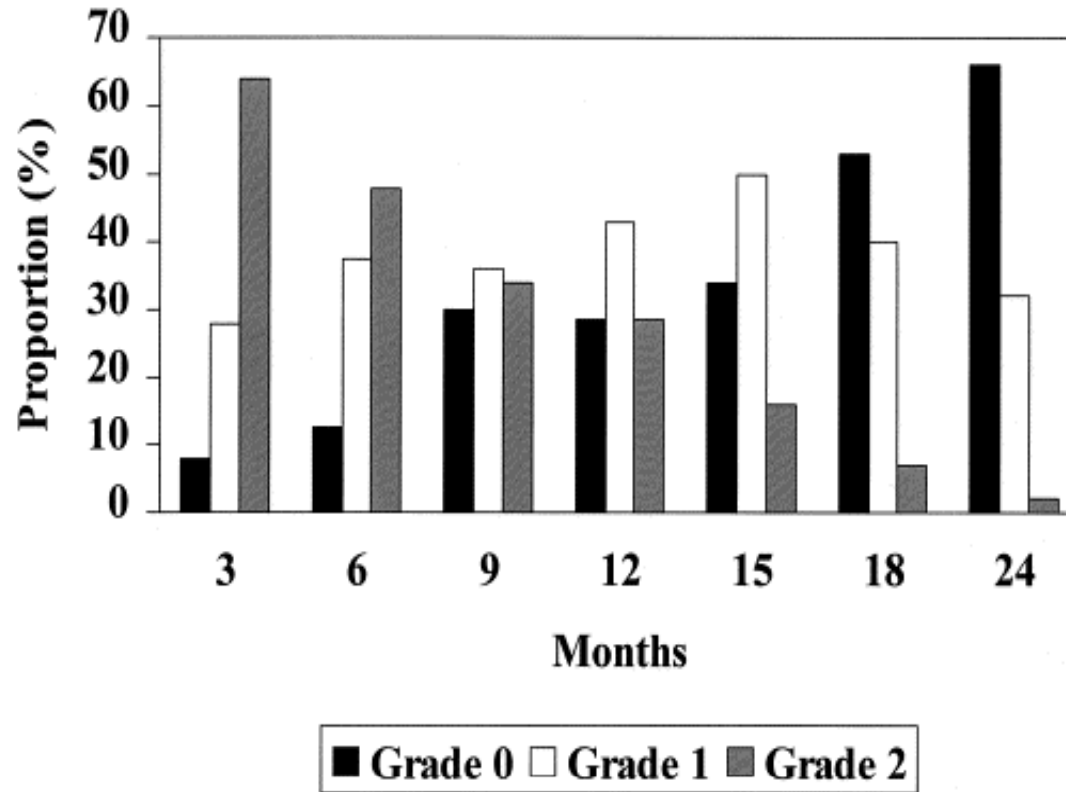
Morbidity

- Xerostomia
- Dysphagia
- Dental problems
- Soft-tissue fibrosis
- Hearing loss
- Temporal lobe necrosis
- Brain stem myelopathy
- Carotid artery stenosis / rupture
- Pituitary gland insufficiency
- ...

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Xerostomia after IMRT

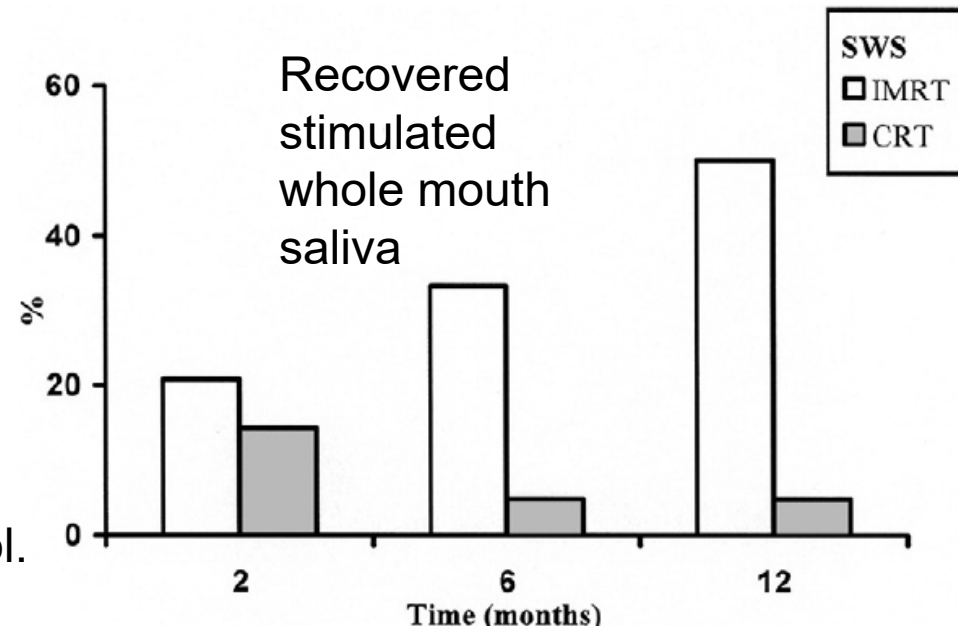
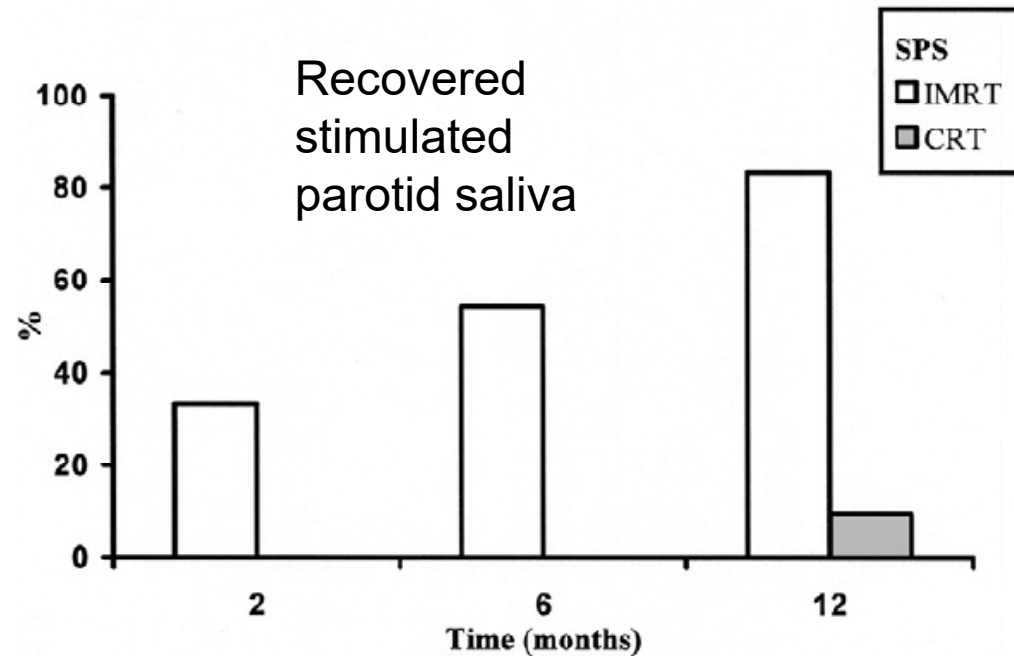
IMRT for NPC. Lee *et al.* IJROBP 53:12-22,2002



Randomized trial 3D-CRT vs. IMRT

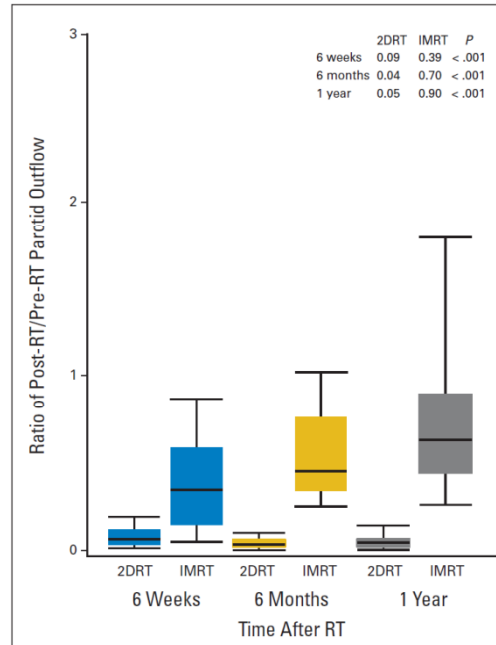
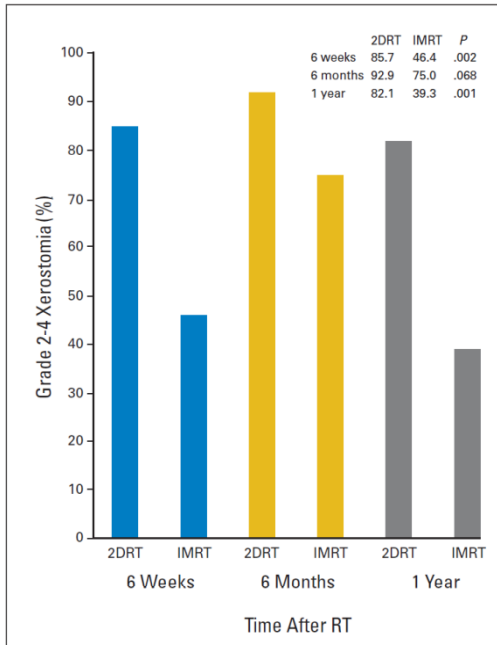
Pow et al.

- Hong Kong
- 51 NPC patients
- T2, N0/N1, M0
- randomized trial
- IMRT vs. CRT

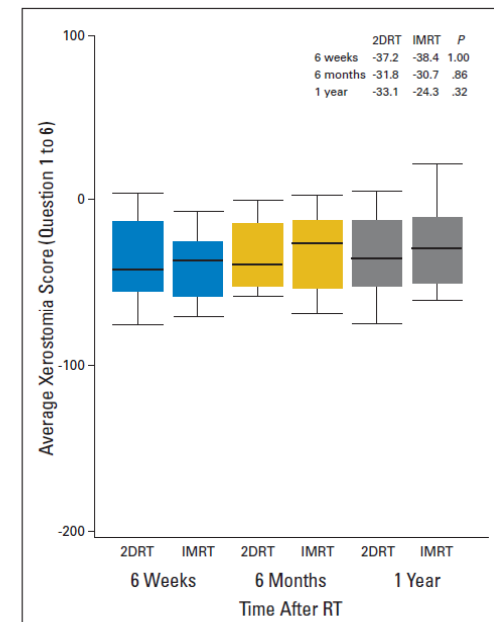
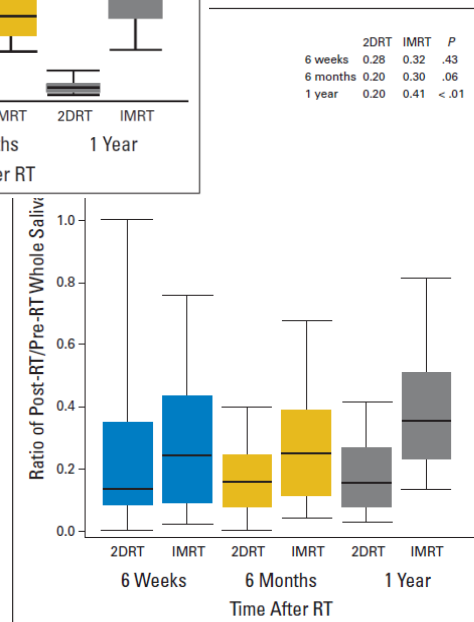


2D-RT vs. IMRT

(n=60, T1-2bN0-1M0 NPC)



IMRT improved *parotid flow* but there was no significant difference in whole-saliva or patient-reported outcome between the two arms



Brain stem

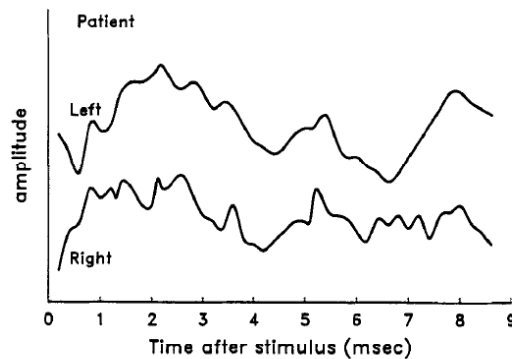
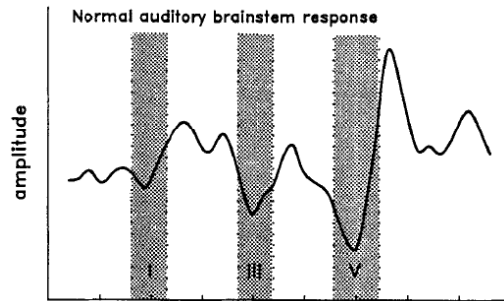
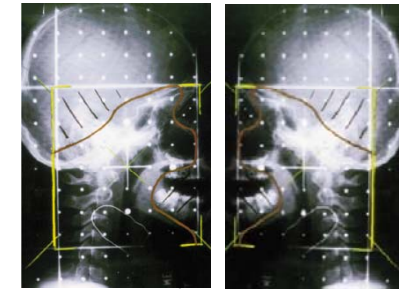


Table 1. Auditory Brain Stem Responses in Patients Who Received Radiation Therapy for Nasopharyngeal Carcinomas

| Patient no. | Age (yr) | Sex | Tumor stage | | Radiation therapy | | Time to ABR (mo) | Type of ABR |
|-------------|----------|-----|-------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|------------------|-------------|
| | | | T | N | Tumor (dose [Gy]/no. of fractions/d) | Brainstem (dose [Gy]/no. of fractions/d) | | |
| 1 | 71 | M | 1 | 2 | 66/33/73 split* | 0 | 54 | Normal |
| 2 | 52 | M | 2 | 1 | 68/34/58 | 0 | 30 | Normal |
| 3 | 50 | M | 1 | 0 | 61/22/67 split† | 0 | 42 | Normal |
| 4 | 27 | M | 4 | 0 | 66/33/71 split* | 0 | 72 | Normal |
| 5 | 51 | M | 1 | 0 | 60/30/42 | 0 | 39 | Normal |
| 6 | 49 | M | 1 | 0 | 62/31/44 | 0 | 33 | Normal |
| 7 | 41 | M | 1 | 0 | 50/25/35 | 0 | 84 | Normal |
| 8 | 63 | M | 1 | 1 | 61/22/76 split† | 39/11/52 | 61 | Normal |
| 9 | 31 | M | 1 | 1 | 66/33/71 split* | 40/20/28 | 36 | Normal |
| 10 | 65 | M | X† | 3 | 66/33/49 | 46/23/34 | 16 | Normal |
| 11 | 26 | M | 4 | 2 | 68/34/46 | 46/23/31 | 16 | Normal |
| 12 | 67 | M | 1 | 1 | 64/32/58 | 48/24/43 | 49 | Normal |
| 13 | 76 | M | 3 | 1 | 68/34/57 | 50/25/38 | 15 | Normal |
| 14 | 71 | M | 1 | 2 | 66/33/76 split* | 50/25/61 | 39 | Normal |
| 15 | 79 | F | 1 | 3 | 59/21/64 split† | 59/21/64 | 54 | Normal |
| 16 | 54 | F | 3 | 0 | 68/34/48 | 68/34/48 | 12 | Normal |
| 17 | 59 | M | 2 | 1 | 68/34/50 | 68/34/50 | 7 | Normal |
| 18 | 22 | M | 4 | 3 | 68/34/53 | 68/34/53 | 8 | Abnormal |
| 19 | 57 | M | 4 | 2 | 68/34/71 split* | 68/34/71 | 60 | Abnormal |
| 20 | 62 | M | 4 | 3 | 68/34/51 | 68/34/51 | 12 | Abnormal |
| 21 | 67 | F | 4 | 0 | 68/34/64 | 68/34/64 | 25 | Abnormal |

Table 2. Distribution of Auditory Brain Stem Response as a Function of Dose of Radiation

| ABR | Control subjects | Patients | |
|----------|------------------|----------------------|-------|
| | | Brain stem dose (Gy) | |
| | | 0 | 39-59 |
| Normal | 30 | 7 | 8 |
| Abnormal | 0 | 0 | 0 |

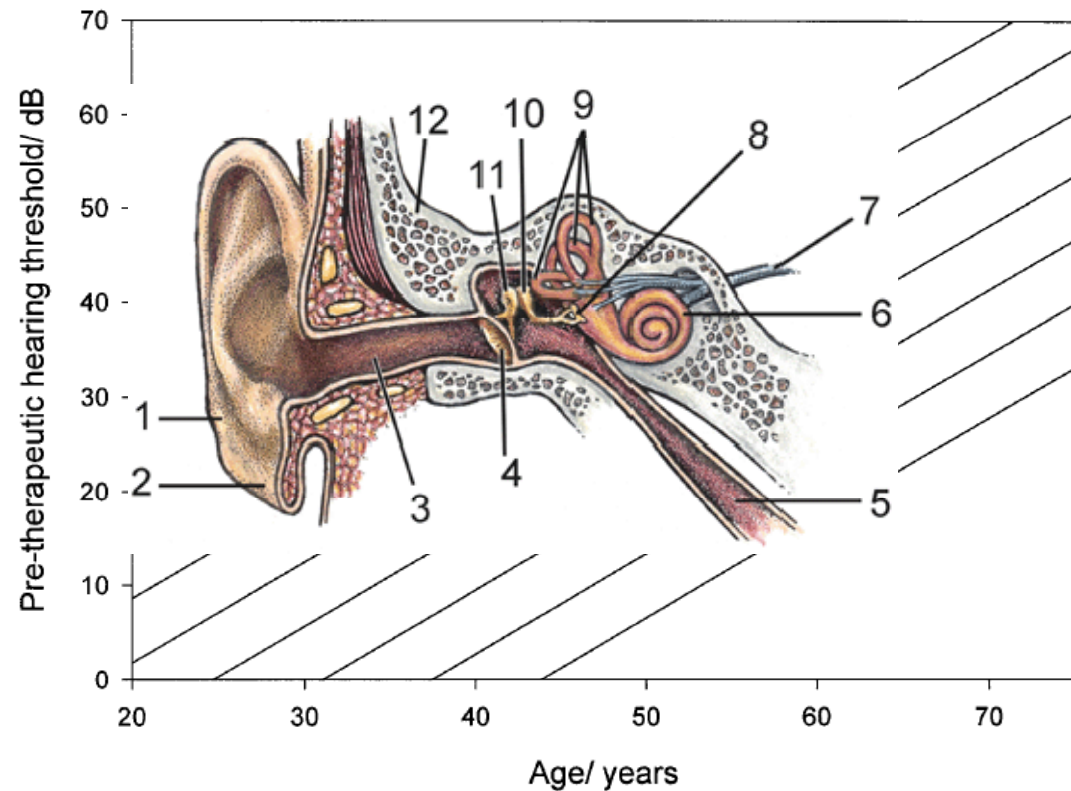
ABR: auditory brain stem response.
 * Fisher's exact test: $P = 0.03$ (68 Gy compared with 39-59 Gy).

Sensori-neural hearing loss (SNHL)



Fig. 2. Axial computed tomography image through the skull base. EAC = external acoustic canal; C = cochlea; V = vestibule; IAC = internal auditory canal.

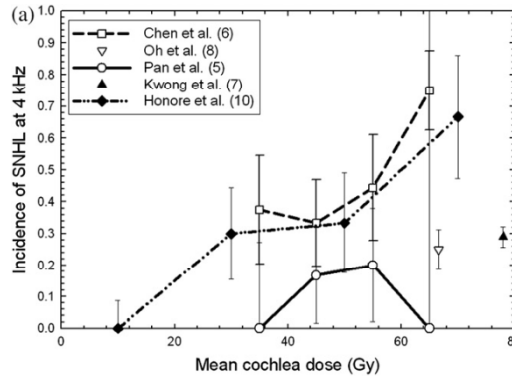
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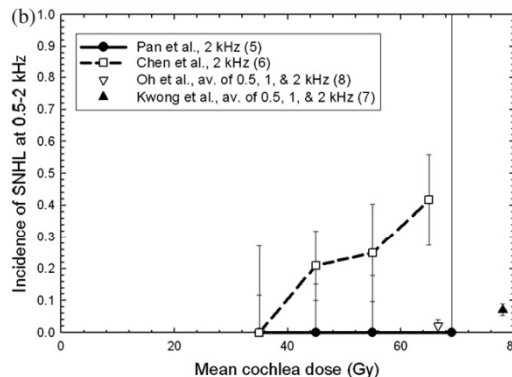
Mean inner ear doses producing a 15% risk of SNHL as a function of pre-therapeutic hearing threshold and age

Inner ear - SNHL

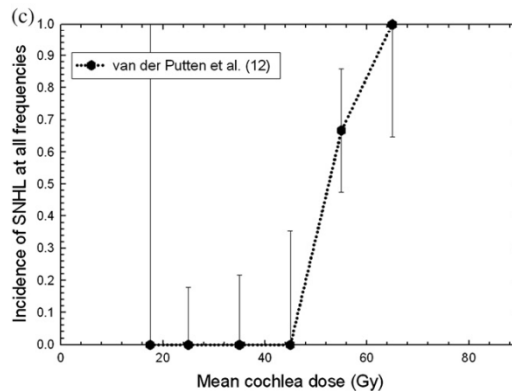
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0.5-2 kHz



All frequencies



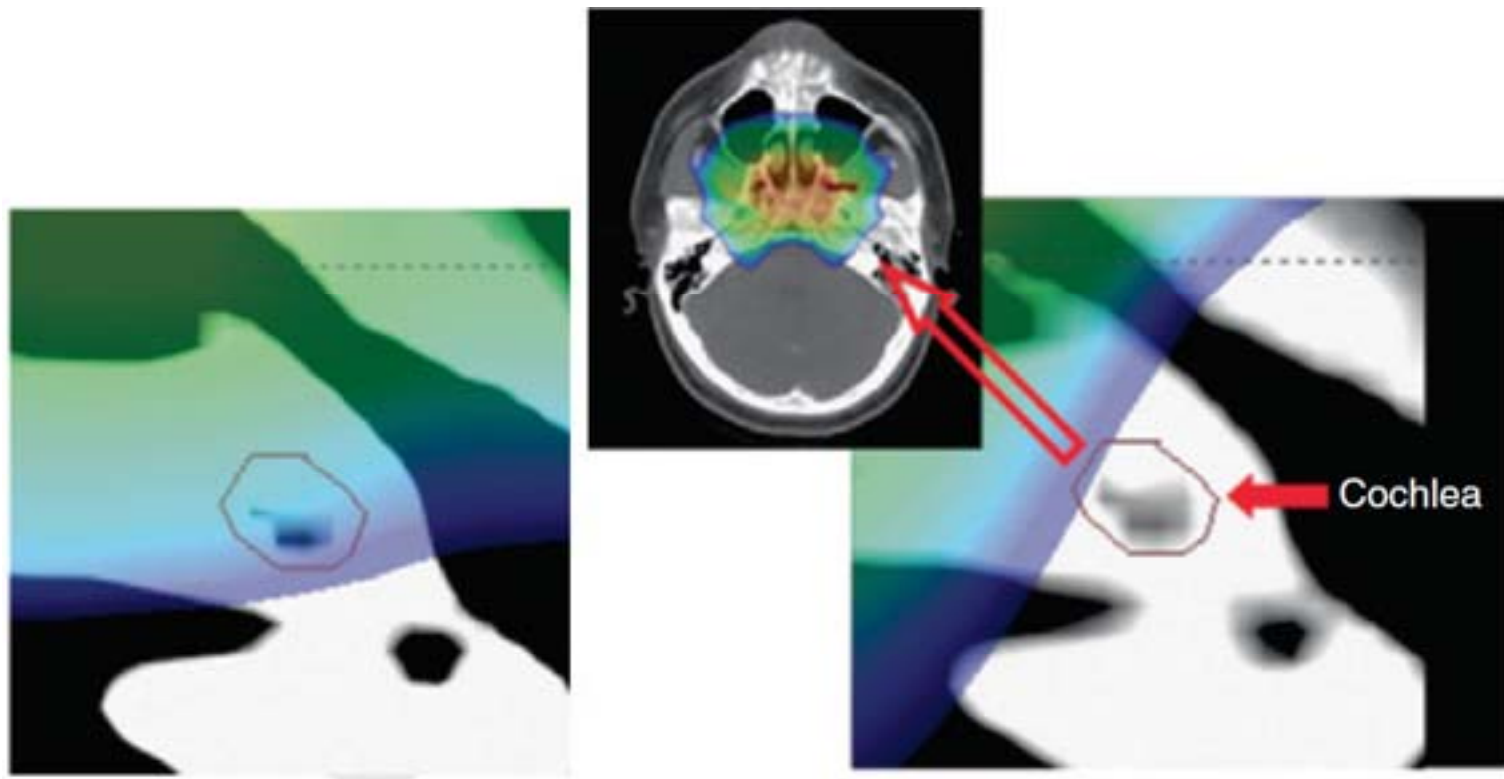
RECOMMENDED DOSE-VOLUME LIMITS FROM QUANTEC:

Because a threshold for SNHL cannot be determined from the present data, to prevent SNHL, the dose to the cochlea should *be kept as low as possible*.

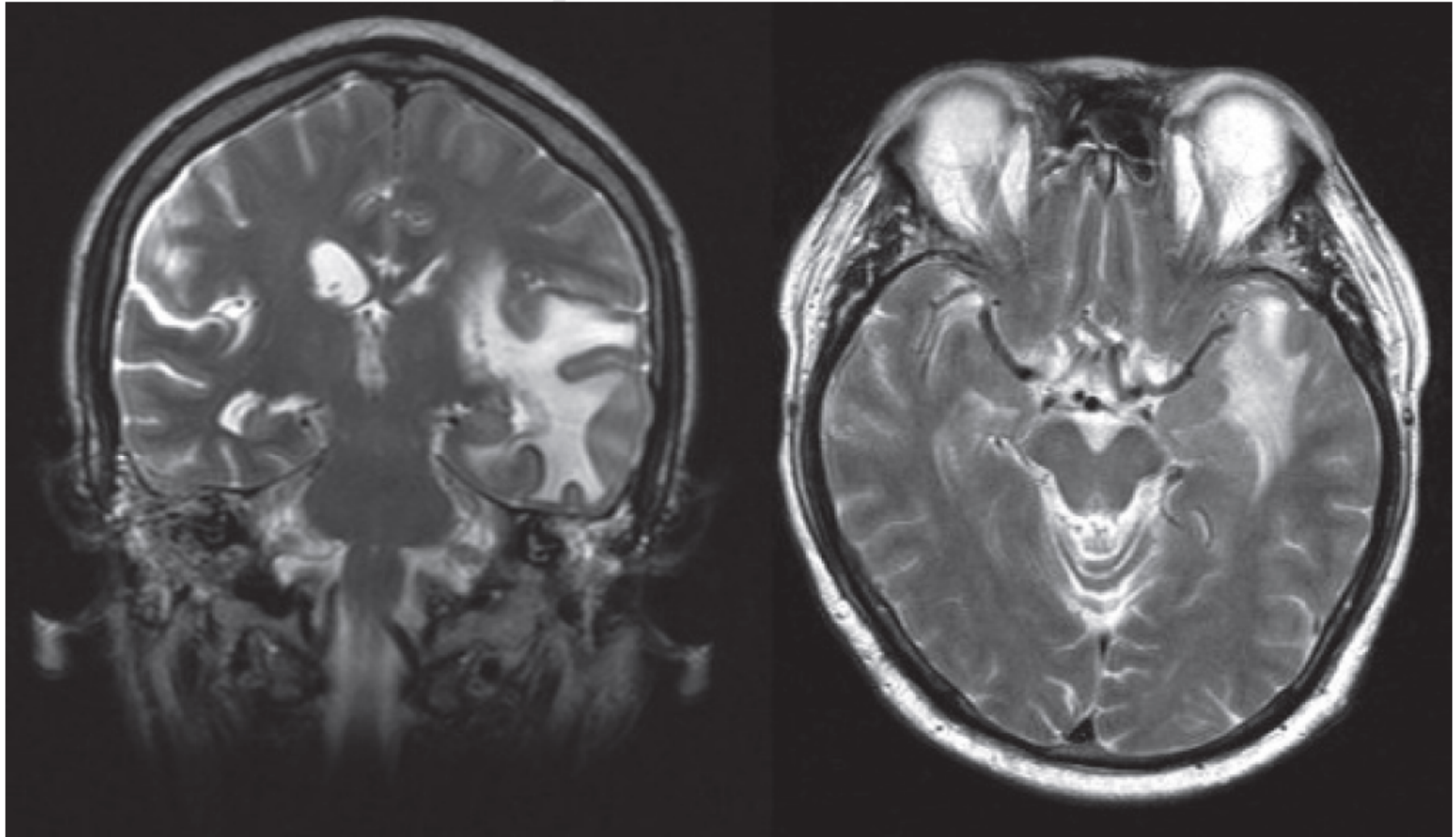
For conventionally fractionated RT, the mean dose to the cochlea should be limited to **<45 Gy**

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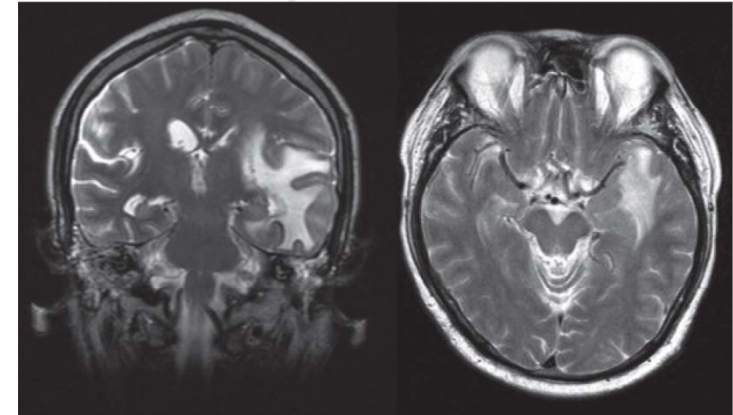
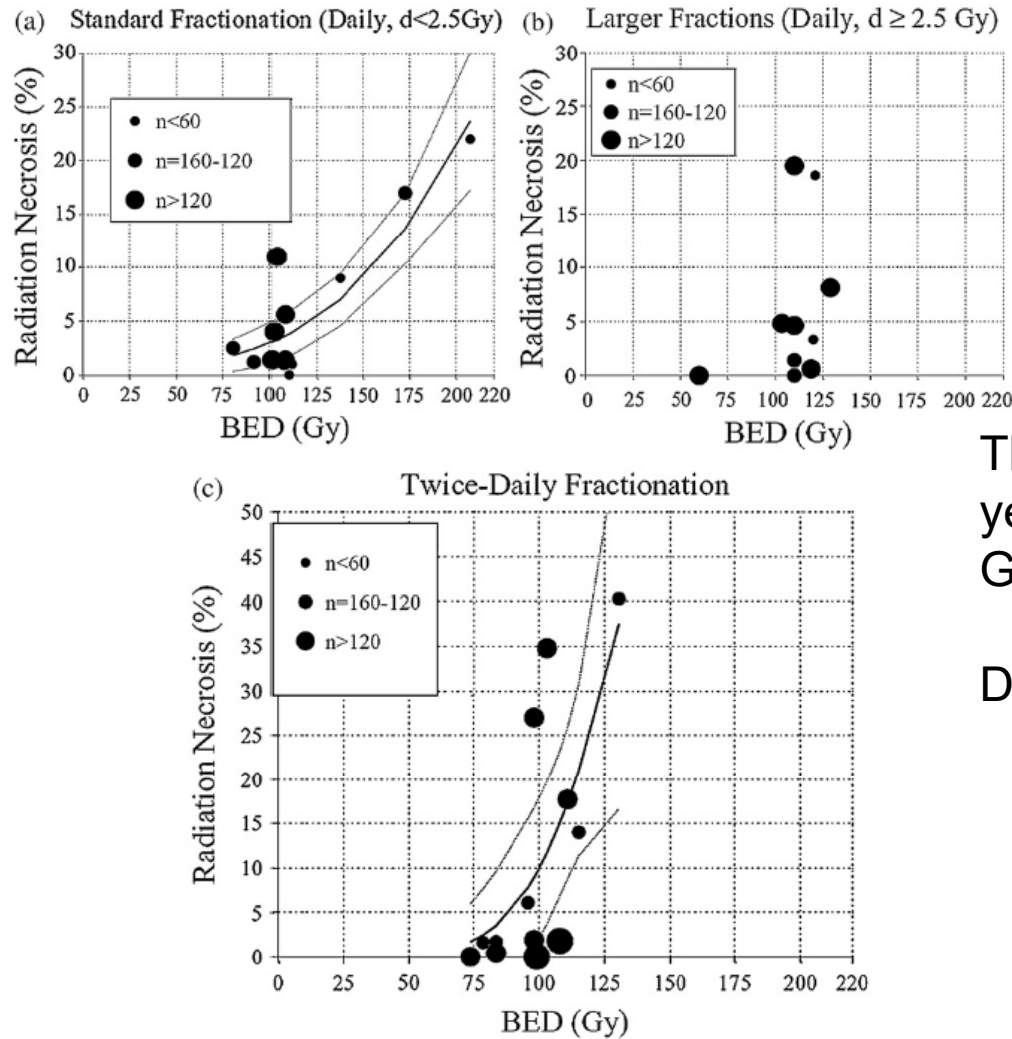
IMRT – cochlear sparing



Temporal lobe necrosis



Temporal lobe (brain) necrosis



The dose constraint for <5% risk at 5 years for normally fractionated RT is 72 Gy (range 60–84).

DAHANCA constraint: $D_{max} < 60$ Gy

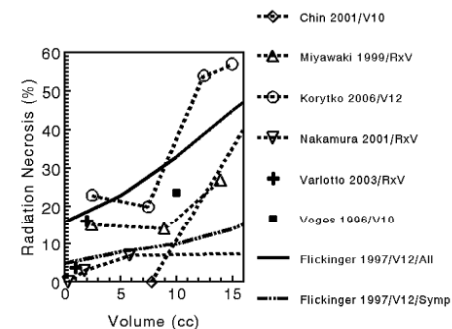


Fig. 1. Relationship between volume receiving high-dose irradiation and incidence of radiation necrosis in single-fraction stereotactic radiosurgery. Studies differed in their completeness of follow-up.

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Novel RT approaches

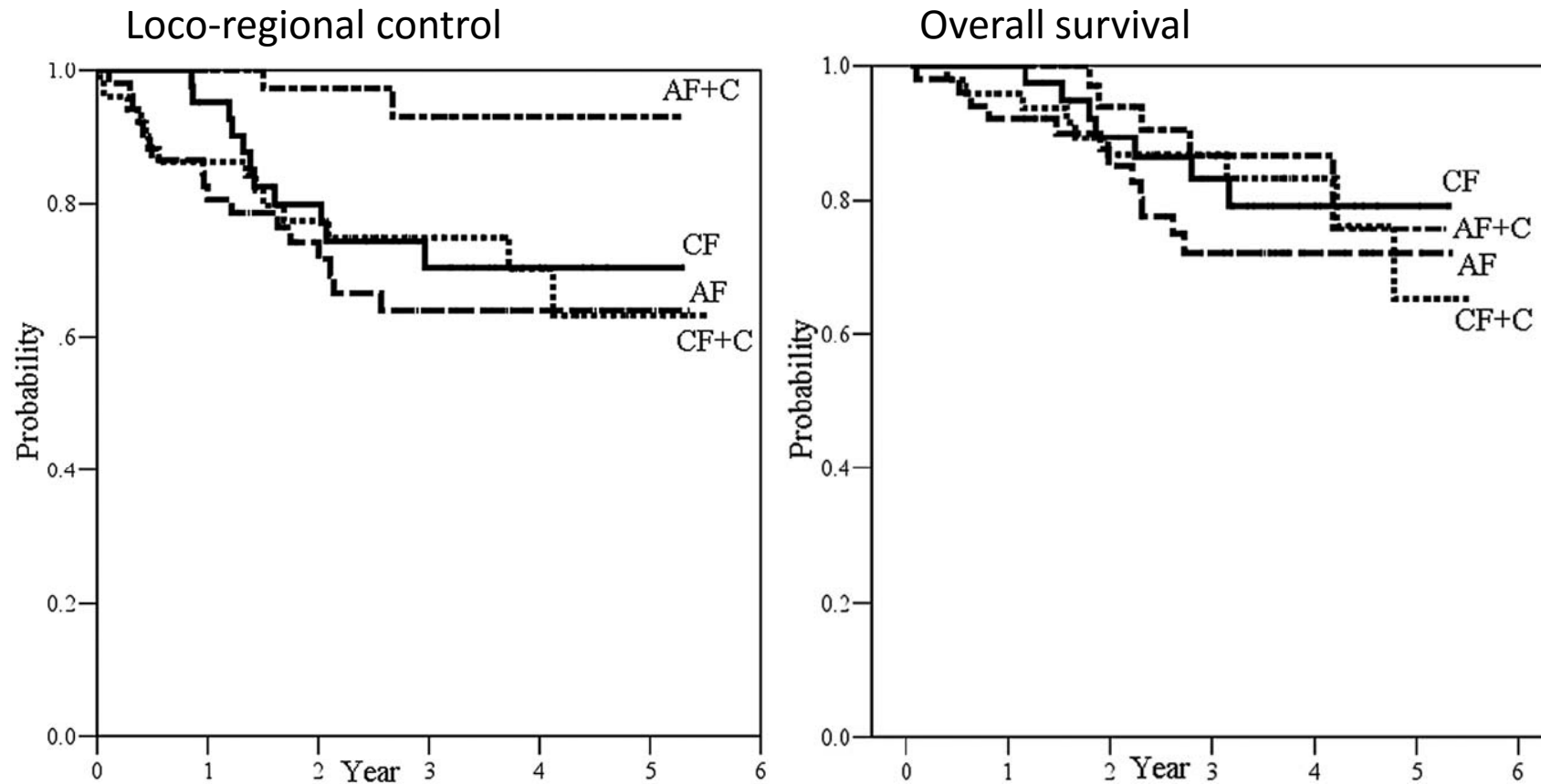
- Altered fractionation
- Stereotactic boost
- Protons

NPC-9902 TRIAL – Hong Kong

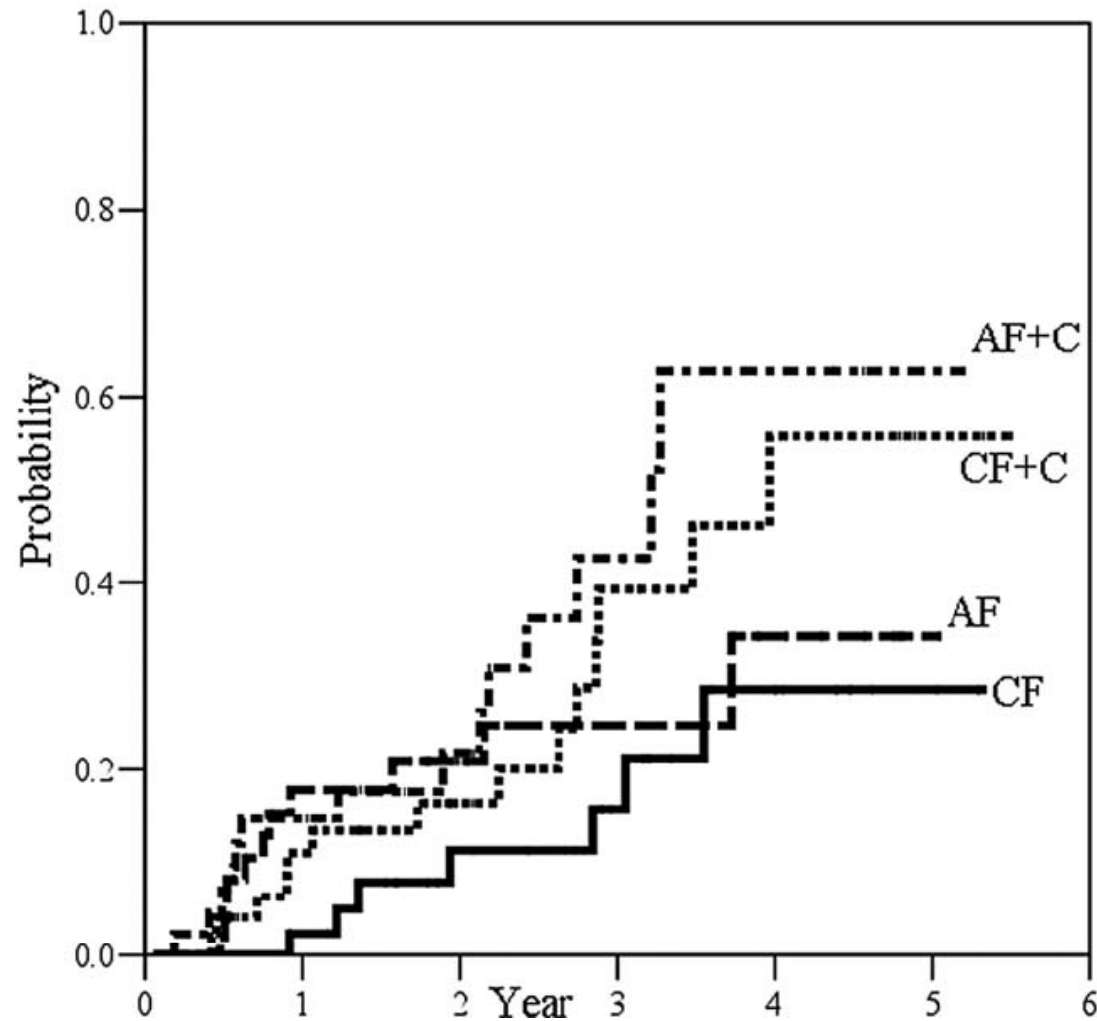
- 4 arm trial
- T3-4 N0-1
- N=189 (planned 464)
- >66 Gy at 2 Gy per fraction
 - **Five vs. six fractions/week**
- Chemotherapy
 - \pm concurrent cisplatin plus adjuvant cisplatin and 5-fluorouracil (Intergroup 0099 regimen)

NPC – altered fractionation

NPC-9902



Late toxicity – NPC 9902





NIMORAL

Acc. fractionation concomitant cisplatin + nimorazole

TNM stage (UICC 2002)

Stage 1 : 7
 Stage 2a : 3
 Stage 2b : 11
 Stage 3 : 26
 Stage 4a : 17
 Stage 4b : 7

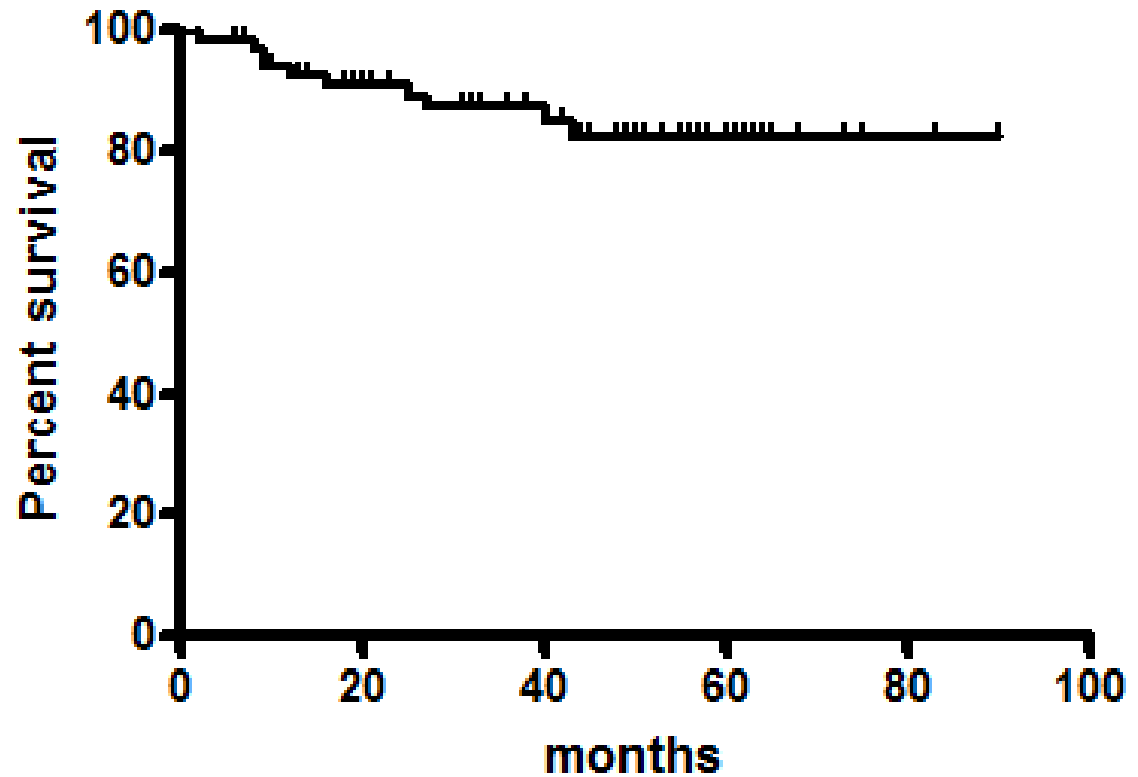
Patient Demography:

- 71 patients were included from jan 1. 2003 to dec 31. 2008
- 46 males and 25 females
- Median age 49 years (r 17-79)

Histopathology

- Keratinizing high differentiated : 1
- Keratinizing moderate differentiated: 2
- Keratinizing low differentiated : 11
- Non keratinizing undifferentiated : 46
- Non keratinizing differentiated : 10
- Other : 1

Locoregional control. Dahanca 14



5 Year loregional control 82%

| Author | No. | Stage IV (%) | Radiotherapy | | Chemotherapy | | | Tumor control (%) | | | |
|---|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------|-------------------|--------|-------|----|
| | | | Dose (Gy) | Time (weeks) | Induction | Concurrent | Adjuvant | Time-point (year) | LR-FFR | D-FFR | OS |
| <i>Concurrent-adjuvant chemo-radiotherapy with accelerated fractionation</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WOLDEN et al. (2001) | 50 | 44 | 70 | 6 | - | P | PF | 3 | L:89 | 79 | 84 |
| JIAN et al. (2002) | 48 | >77 | 74 | 7 | - | P | PF | 3 | L:91 | NR | 72 |
| LIN et al. (1996) | 63 | NR | 72-74 | 6 | - | PF | ±PF | 3 | L:89 | 74 | 74 |
| <i>Induction-concurrent chemo-radiotherapy with conventional fractionation</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Role of accelerated fractionation +/- altered chemotherapy sequencing remains open | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HUI et al. (2007) | 30 | NR | 66 | 6.5 | DP | P | - | 2 | NR | NR | 93 |
| <i>Induction-concurrent chemo-radiotherapy with accelerated fractionation</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LEE et al. (2005c) | 49 | 100 | 70 | 6 | PF | P | - | 3 | 77 | 75 | 71 |
| YAU et al. (2006) | 37 | 100 | 70 | 6 | PG | P | - | 3 | 78 | 76 | 76 |

Stereotactic boost

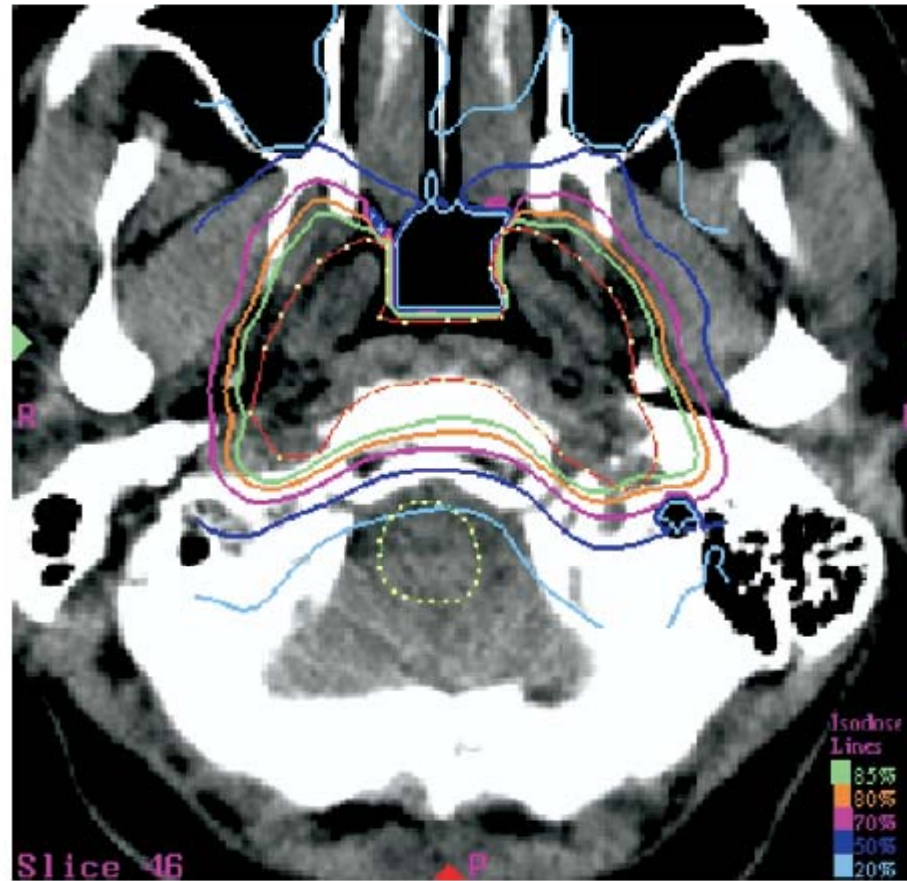


Fig. 1. The isodose distribution of the stereotactic body radiation therapy boost in an original T2 tumor. Green line indicates the 85% isodose line.

EXPERIENCE IN FRACTIONATED STEREOTACTIC BODY RADIATION THERAPY BOOST FOR NEWLY DIAGNOSED NASOPHARYNGEAL CARCINOMA

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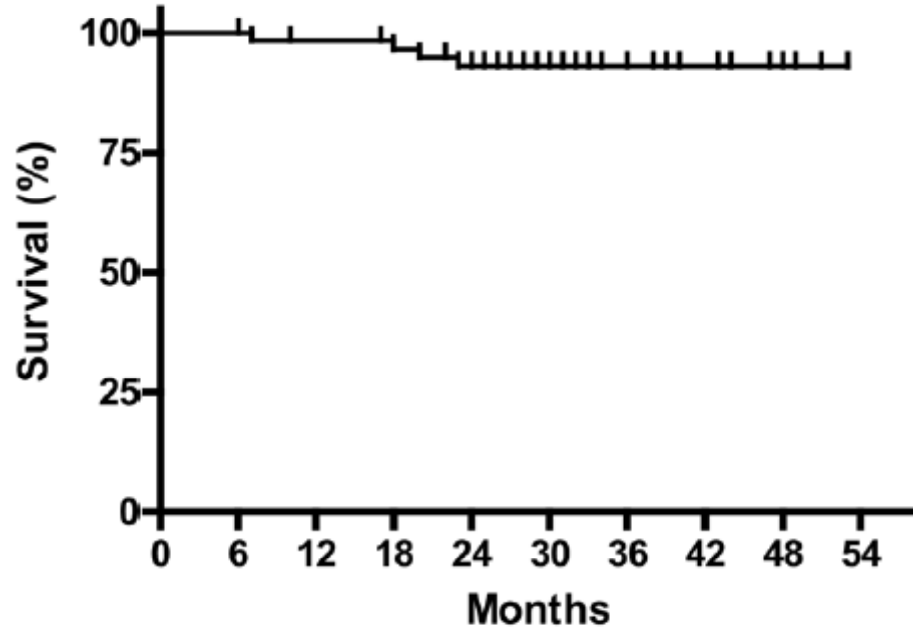


Fig. 3. Nasopharynx disease-free survival of 64 patients treated using conventional radiotherapy + stereotactic body radiation therapy boost.

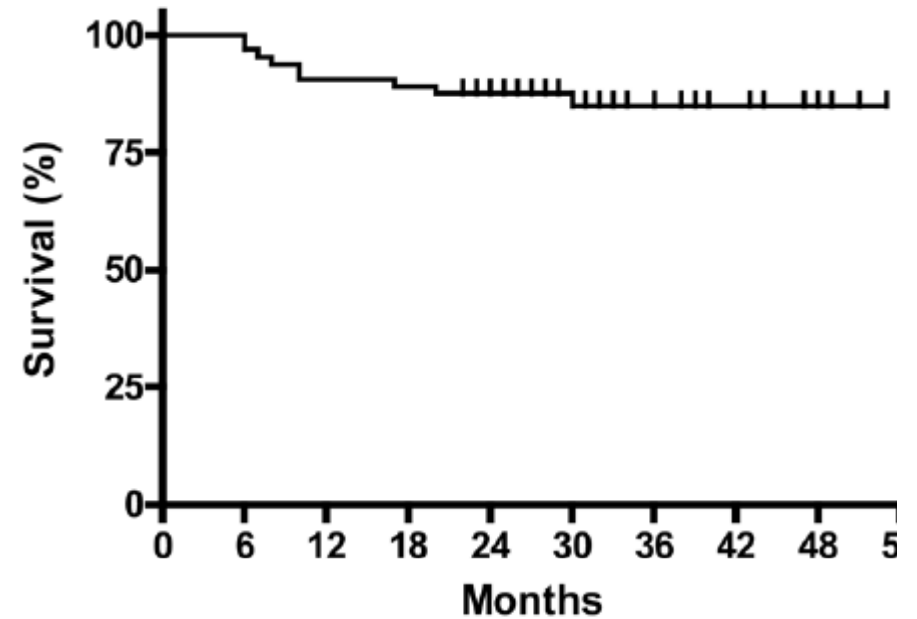
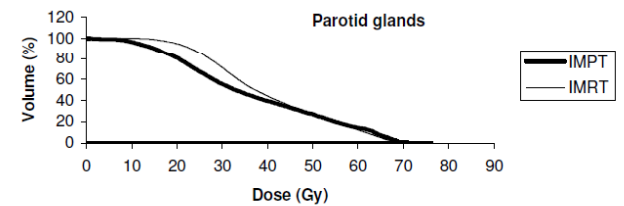
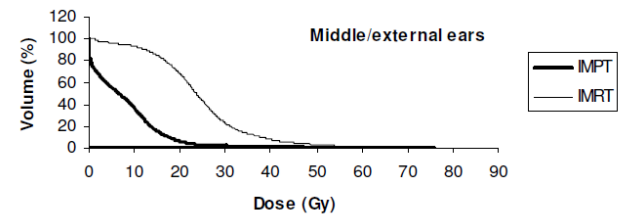
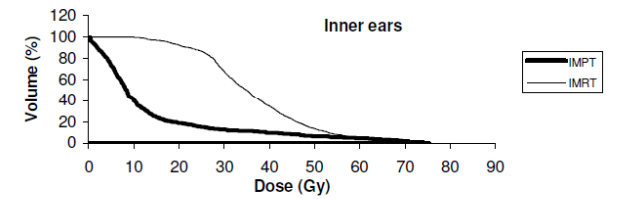
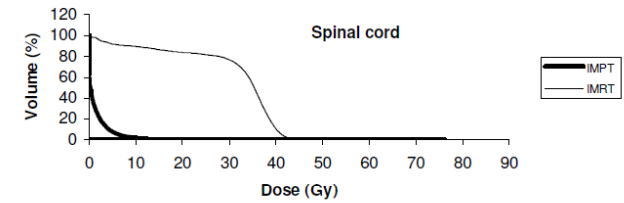
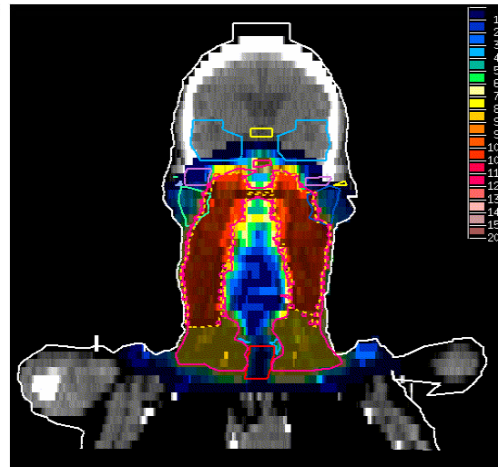
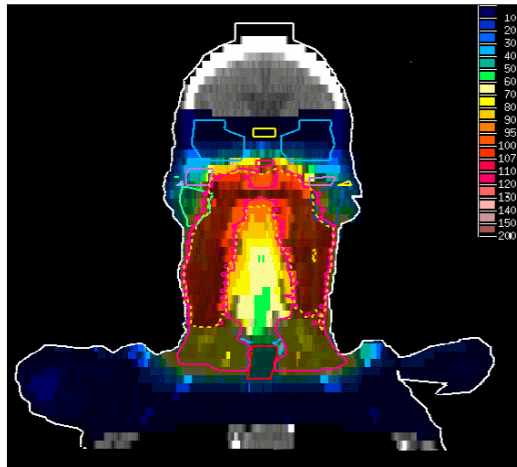
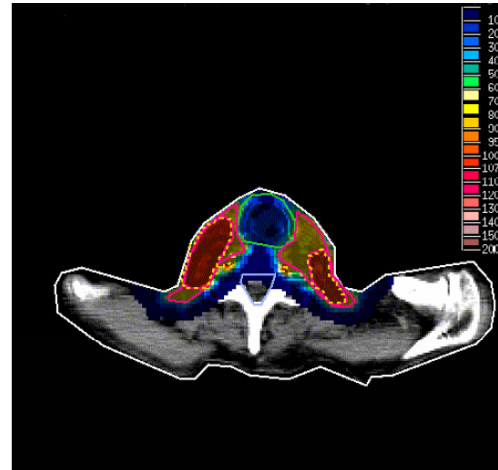
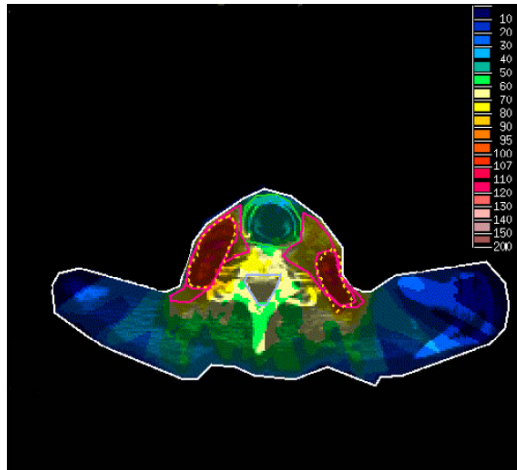


Fig. 4. Overall survival of 64 patients treated using conventional radiotherapy + stereotactic body radiation therapy boost.

Protons (IMPT)

IMRT

IMPT



Taheri-Kadkhoda et al, Radiat Oncol 2008

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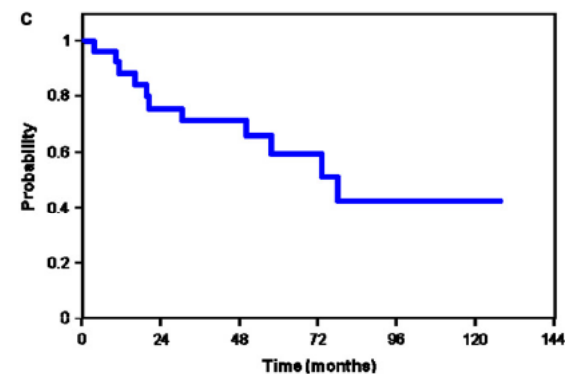
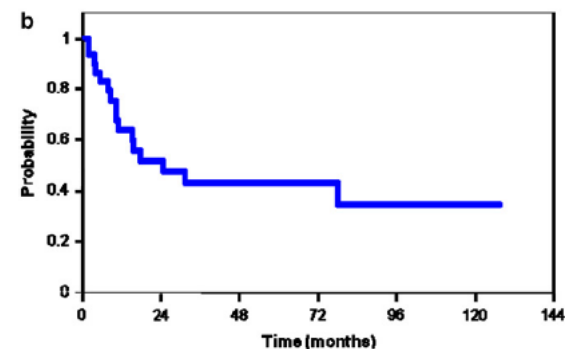
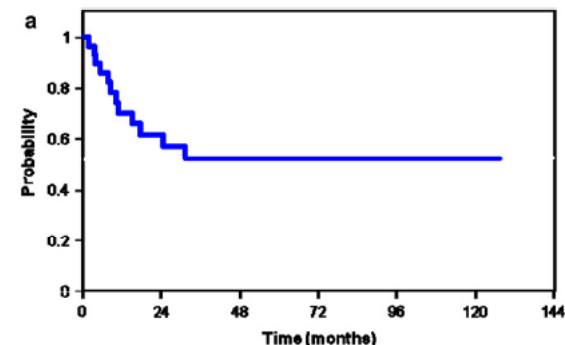
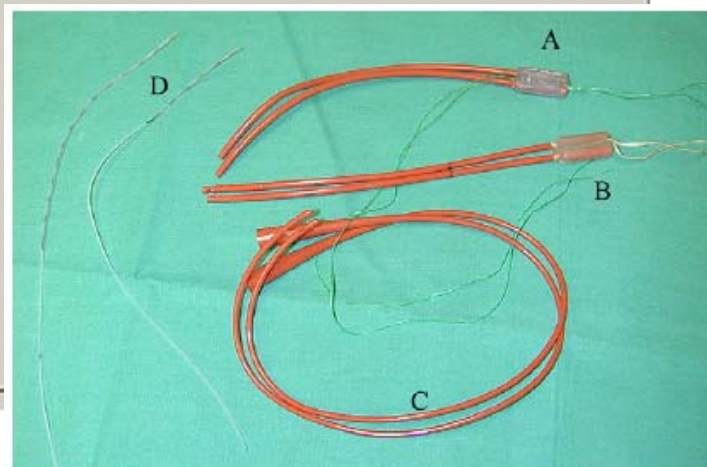
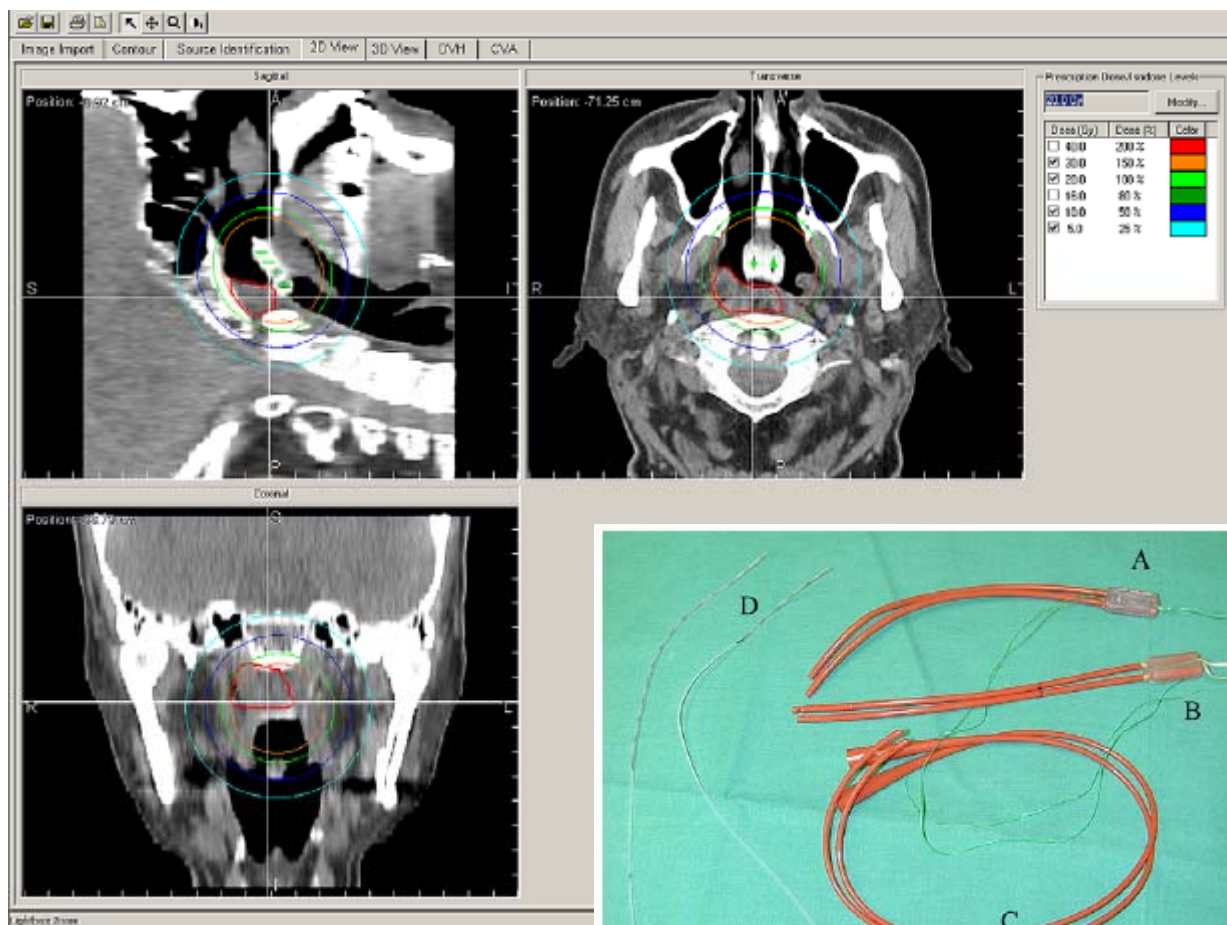
- Anatomy, aetiology, pathology, staging
- Radiotherapy (IMRT, volumes, techniques)
- Chemotherapy
- Radiotherapy morbidity
- Novel approaches
- Salvage treatment of loco-regional recurrences (re-irradiation, surgery, brachy)

Loco-regional recurrence

- Re-irradiation
 - IMRT
 - Brachytherapy
 - Proton therapy
 - Stereotactic RT
- Surgery
 - nasopharynctomy or
 - endoscopic resections
- Chemotherapy

NPC re-irradiation brachy

29 patients: 13 patients EBRT+ intracavitary brachy; 16 EBRT alone (MSKCC)



Koutcher, Int. J. Radiation Oncology Biol. Phys., Vol. 76, No. 1, pp. 130–137, 2010

NPC re-irradiation results

| Reirradiation series (reference) | Years in which patients were treated | No. of patients | Median follow-up (y) | 3-y actuarial survival (%) | 5-y actuarial survival (%) |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Lee, 1997 (12) | 1976–1992 | 654 | 1.4 | — | 16 |
| Chua, 1998 (13) | 1984–1995 | 97 | 1.5 | 46 | 36 |
| Hwang, 1998* (14) | 1957–1995 | 74 | 1.7 | 49 | 37 |
| Teo, 1998 (8) | 1984–1989 (primary radiation) | 123 [†] | 1.7 | — | 9 |
| Chang, 2000 (15) | 1982–1995 | 186 | 3.5 | 22 | 12 |
| Leung, 2000 (16) | 1990–1999 | 91 | 2.25/2.9/4.6 | — | 30 |
| Syed, 2000 (17) | 1978–1997 | 41 [‡] | 7 | 48 (2-y) | 30 |
| Law, 2002 (18) | 1989–1996 | 118 | 6.5 [¶] | — | 61 |
| Pai, 2002 (6) | 1994–1999 | 36 | 1.8 | 54 | 31 |
| Lu, 2004 (19) | 2001–2002 | 49 | 0.75 | 100 LRC (0.75 y) | — |
| Oksuz, 2004 (20) | 1979–2000 | 41 | 1.9 | 48 (2-y) | 28 |
| Poon, 2004 (21) | 1994–2002 | 35 | 1.5 | 45 (2-y) | 26 |
| Shin, 2004 (22) | 1995–2000 | 21 | 4.1 | — | 32 |
| Chua, 2005 (23) | 2001–2004 | 31 | .92 | 30-40 (2-y) | — |
| Yu, 2005 (24) | 1996–2000 (primary radiation) | 159 | Unclear | 74 [#] | — |
| Low, 2006 (25) | 1995–2003 | 31 | 4.2 [§] | — | 53 |
| Wu, 2007 (26) | 1999–2005 | 56 | 13.3 | 46 DSS | — |
| Chua, 2007 (27) | 1994–2005 | 74 | 3.5 [§] | 78 (SRS); 66 (BT) | — |
| Present series | 1996–2008 | 29 | 3.75 | 71 | 60 |

~45%

~30%

From Koutcher, IJROBP, 2010

Nasopharyngectomy



Salvage therapy

| | Number of patients | Stage of recurrence | Local control/survival rate | Complications | Treatment-related mortality |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Reirradiation (conventional) ¹⁴² | 706 | T1 to T3 | 5-year survival rate 14%; 10-year survival rate 9% | Late sequelae 24% | 1.8% |
| Stereotactic radiosurgery ⁷⁵ | 18 | T1 and T2 | 2-year local control rate 72% | 5.6% | 0 |
| Re-irradiation (IMRT) ⁷⁷ | 49 | T1 to T4 | 9-month local control 100% | 0 | 0 |
| Brachytherapy (Gold grain) ¹⁴³ | 106 | T1 | 5-year local control, residual 87%, recurrent 62%; 5-year disease-free survival, residual 68%, recurrent 60% | 19% | 0 |
| Nasopharyngectomy (Maxillary swing) ¹⁴⁴ | 109 | T1 | 5-year local control rate 68%, 5-year disease-free survival 54% | 25% | 0 |
| Nasopharyngectomy (transpalatal) ¹⁴⁵ | 37 | T1 to T3 | 5-year local control rate 67%, 5-year disease-free survival 52% | 54% | 3% |

Wei W et al. Lancet 2005

Topics

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Management of metastatic disease?
In the case discussion later today

Key points - NPC

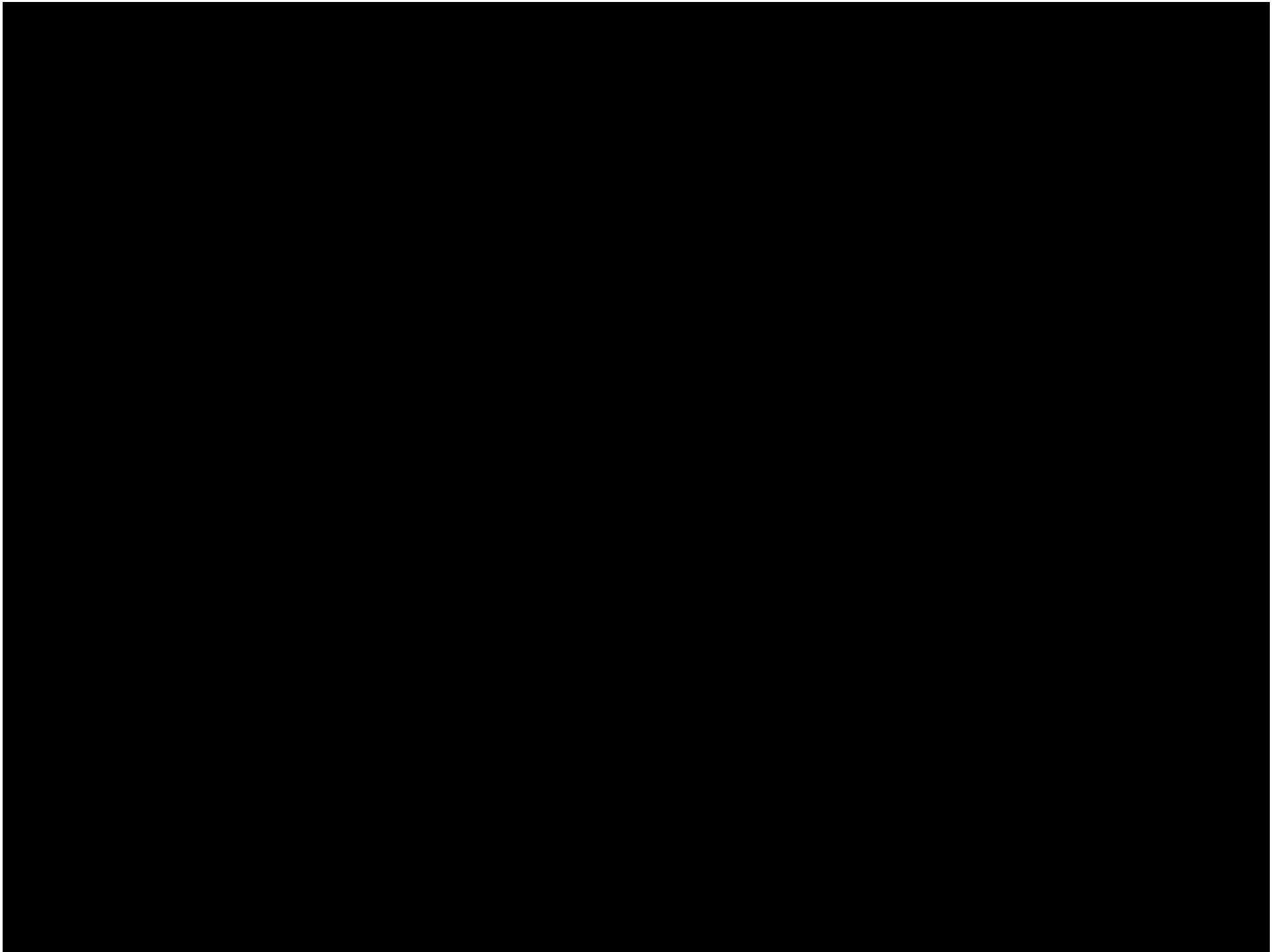
- Very specific racial and geographic distribution
- Etiology includes both
 - genetic predisposition
 - environmental factors
 - virus
- Oncogenetic association of Epstein-Barr virus with nonkeratinizing NPC
- Nodal involvement at presentation in 80% of cases

Key points - NPC

- The current treatment recommendation is
 - radiotherapy alone for early stage
 - concurrent chemoradiotherapy (cisplatin-based) for locally advanced stages (III–IVB, bulky IIb)
- IMRT is recommended for target coverage and normal tissue sparing (xerostomia, etc)
- Beware of the many critical normal tissues at risk!
- Loco-regional control in excess of 90% at 2–4 years with IMRT and concurrent chemotherapy
- 5-year overall survival of ~70%

Key points - NPC

- Distant failures remain a problem
- Role of accelerated fractionation and/or altered chemotherapy sequencing remains open
- Local recurrences may be salvaged by re-irradiation, brachytherapy, or nasopharyngectomy, but morbidity is significant



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Oral Cancer: Surgical Aspects

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- **6th most common cancer worldwide**
- **Incidence is increasing**
- **Tobacco and excessive alcohol**
- **Betel Quid etc.**
- **Role of Human Papilloma Virus**



Changing Management Philosophy

The last decade has witnessed increasing emphasis on **quality of life** after treatment

Consequently surgeons have found procedures that preserve function and form



Treatment Aims for Oral Cancer

- Cure of cancer
- Preservation of function and form
- Maintain or improvement of quality of life
- Prevention or early detection of second primary cancers



Treatments for Oral Cancer

- **Surgery**
- **Radiotherapy**
- **Chemotherapy**
- **Biological therapies**
- **Photodynamic therapy**
- **Combined therapies**



Choice of Treatment

Stage I and II: **Single modality
treatment preferable**

Stage III and IV: **Multimodal therapy is
essential**

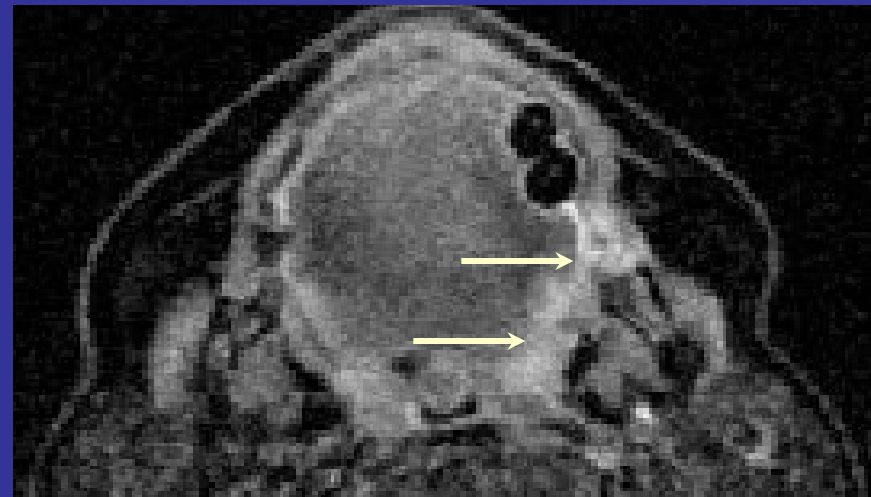
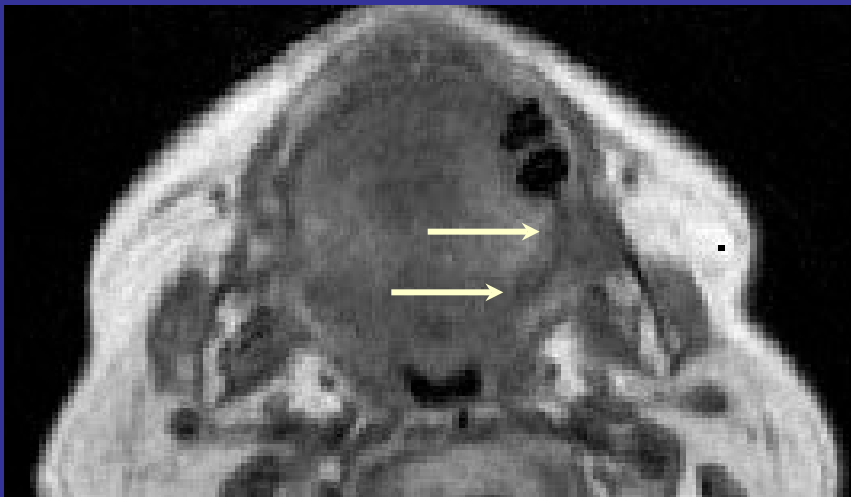
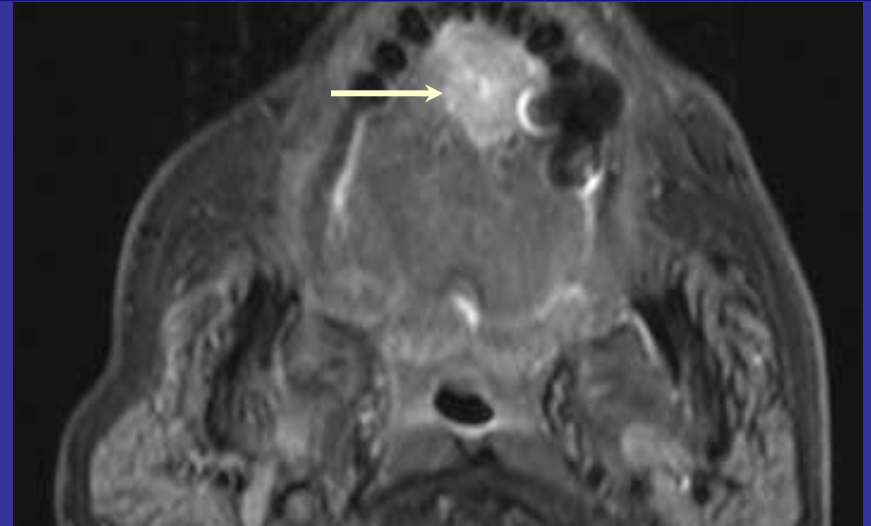
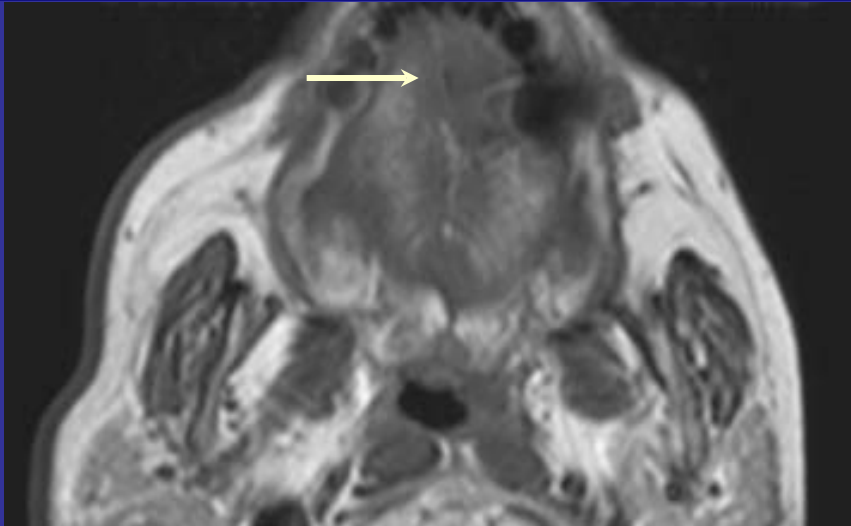


Treatment dictated by:

- Tumor factors (imaging, examination, histology)
- Patient factors (biological age, comorbidity, patient's wishes/expectations)
- Physician/Institutional/Provider factors



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T1 SE

STIR

STIR: superior tumor delineation



Tumor Factors

- Sub-site/Location (invasion of structures)
- Size (T stage)
- Status of neck nodes (N stage)
- M-stage
- Proximity/Involvement of bone
- Multiplicity
- Previous treatment
- Pathological characteristics (tumor type, depth of invasion)

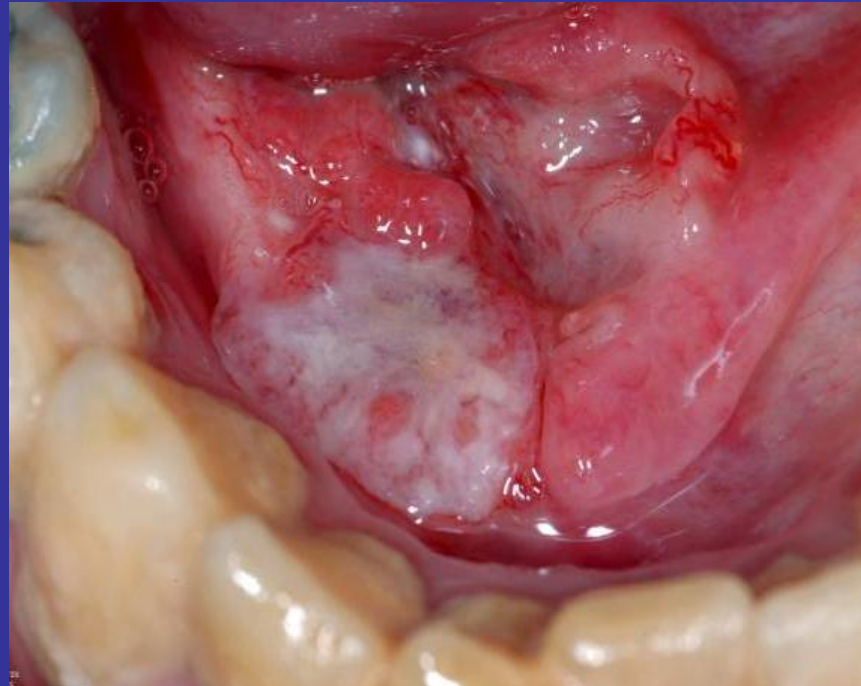


Early Lesion Inferior Alveolar Process



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T2 Floor-of-Mouth Cancer



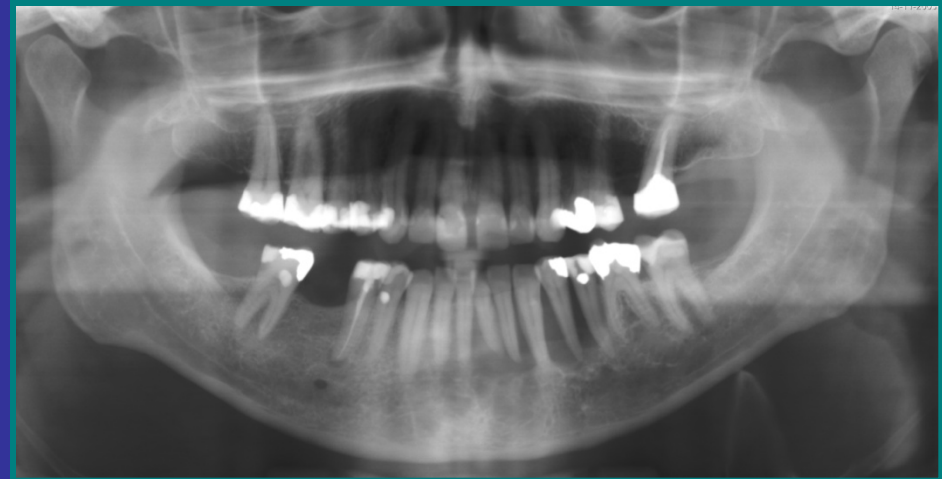
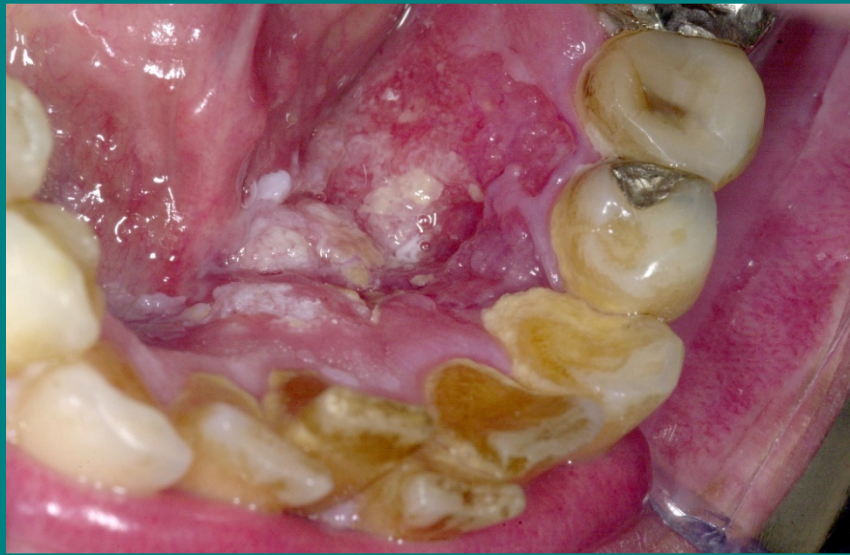
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Large Lesion on Posterior Mobile Tongue



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Bone Invasion



Surgical Approaches

- Per oral
- Pull through
- Lower cheek flap
- Upper cheek flap
- Visor flap
- Mandibulotomy



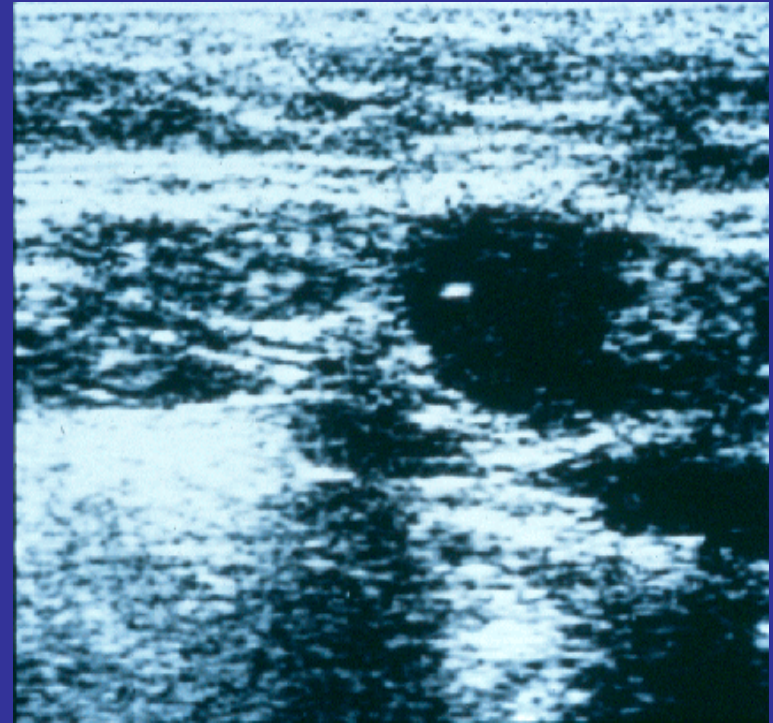
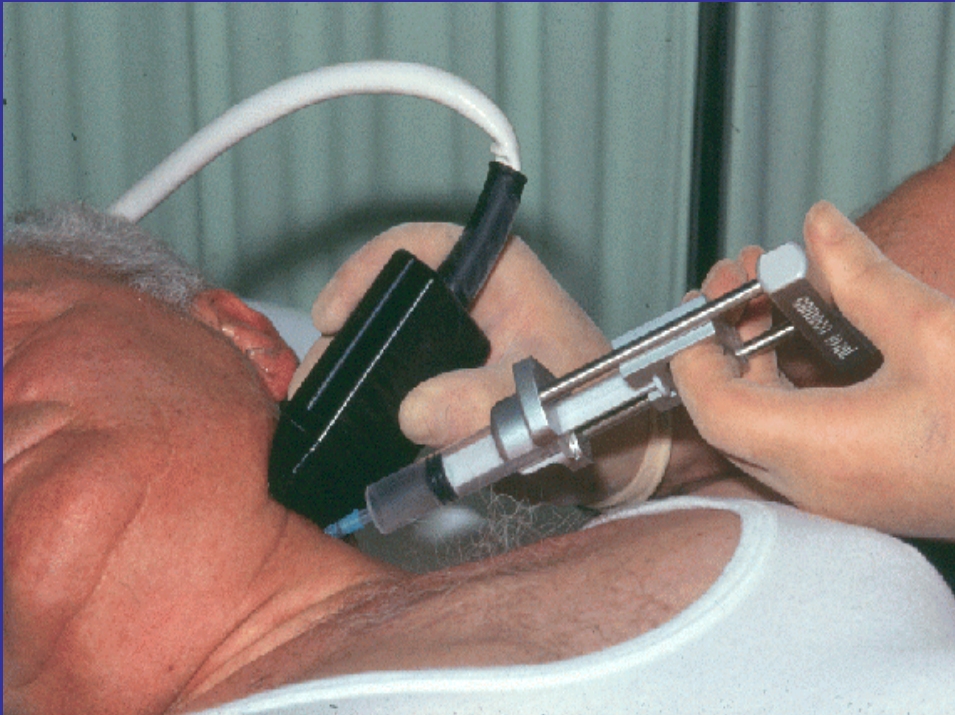
Approach towards the N0-neck

- Elective treatment
 - If the risk of occult metastases exceeds 20% (?)
 - In case the neck is entered for technical reasons
- Wait-and-see
 - If the risk of occult metastases is below 20% (?)
 - If strict follow-up can be ensured



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US-FNAC



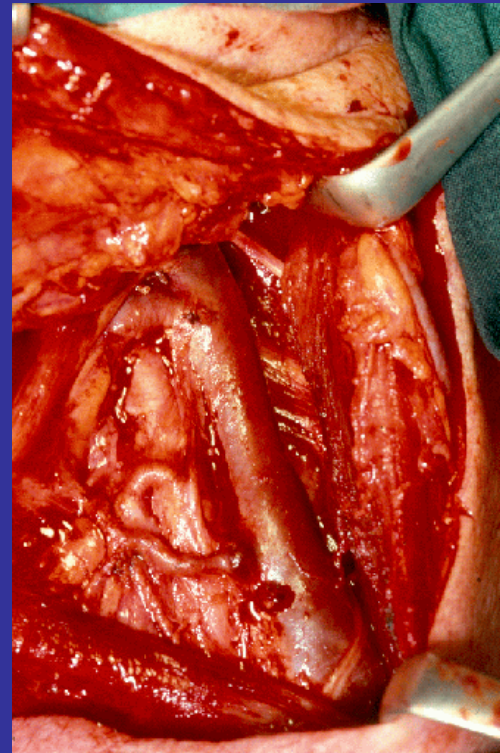
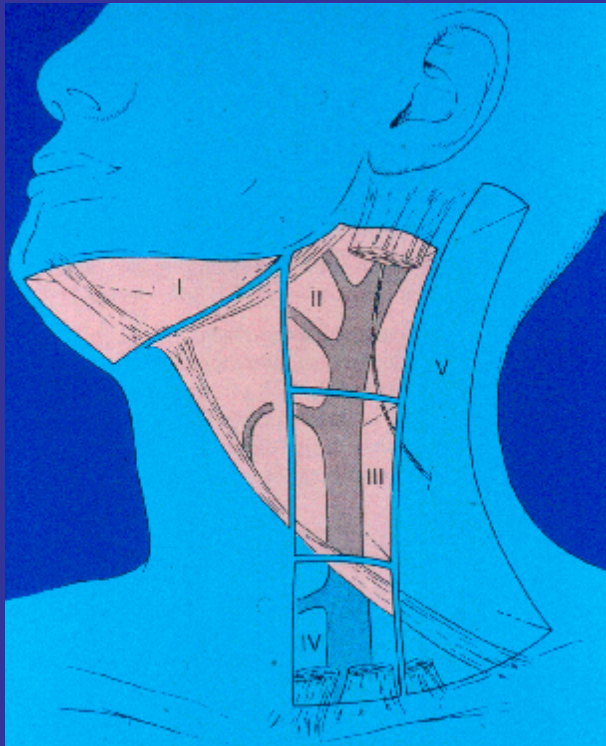
Options Towards the cN0 neck

- Elective neck irradiation
- Elective neck surgery
- Observation based on better risk assessment; i.e., a personalised approach based on predictive markers



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Selective Neck Dissection (I-III)



Patient-tailored Approach

(i.e., Investigation and Observation if Negative)

- Sentinel node investigation
- Ultrasound-guided fine needle aspiration cytology (US-FNAC)

- Clinico-pathologic tumor characteristics
- Molecular tumor characteristics

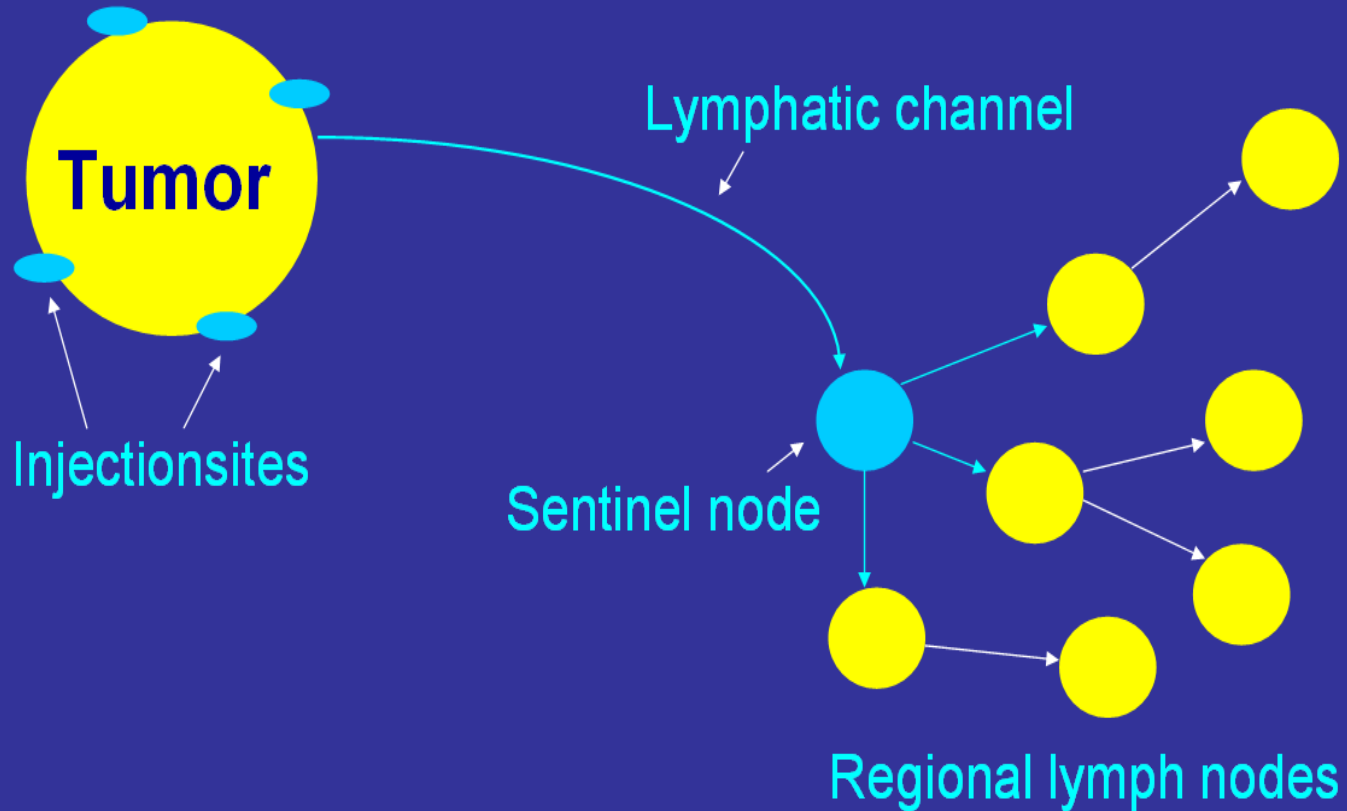


Sentinel Lymph Node Concept

- Tumor spreads via lymphatics to a primary node
- Examination of primary echelon nodes for tumor directs the need for surgical management of the nodal basins



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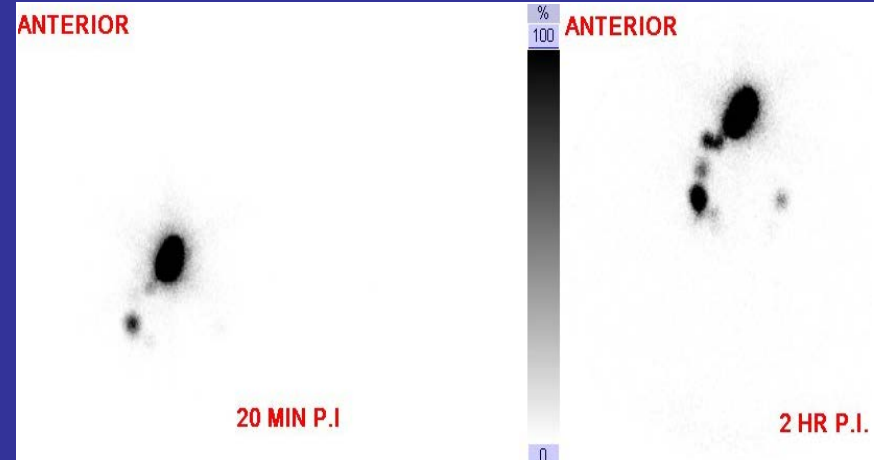
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Peritumoral ^{99m}Tc -labelled Colloidal Albumin

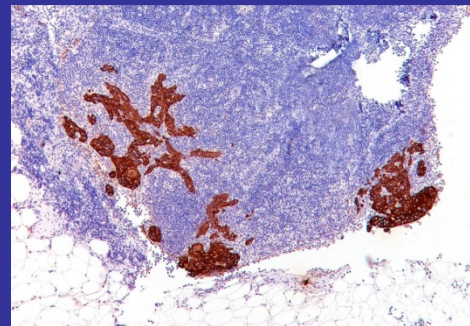
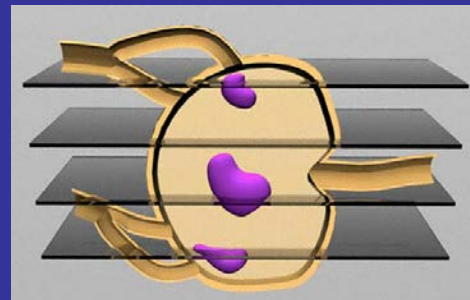
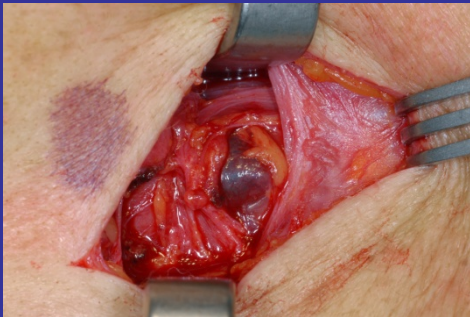


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Lymphoscintigraphy



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Finished and Ongoing Trials

- Sentinel node European trial (SENT)
 - Ross and McGurk *et al.*
 - Alkureishi *et al.*

- American College of Surgeons Oncology Group (ACOSOG) study
 - Civantos *et al.*



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| | All SNB | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------|-----|-------------|-------|-----------------|
| | Success | Total | (%) | SN + | All + | Sensitivity/NPV |
| FoM tumors | 37 | 42 | 88% | 12 | 15 | 80%/88% |
| Other tumors | 88 | 92 | 96% | 30 | 31 | 97%/98% |
| All tumors | 125 | 134 | 93% | 42 | 46 | 91%/95% |
| Statistical significance | $P = 0.138$ | | | $P = 0.034$ | | |

Conclusion:

- SNB is reliable and reproducible means of staging cN0 neck
- Sole staging tool for majority of cT1/T2 HNSCC
 - For FOM SNB not recommended as sole staging, but combined with level I node clearance



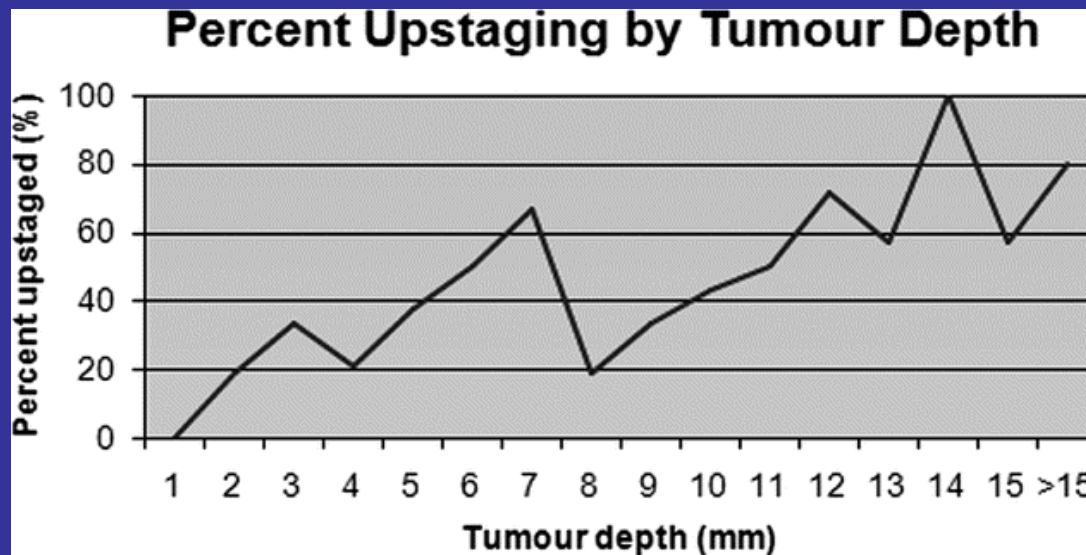
Clinico-pathologic Tumor Characteristics

- Tumor thickness or depth (4 mm)



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Does Tumor Depth Affect Nodal Upstaging?

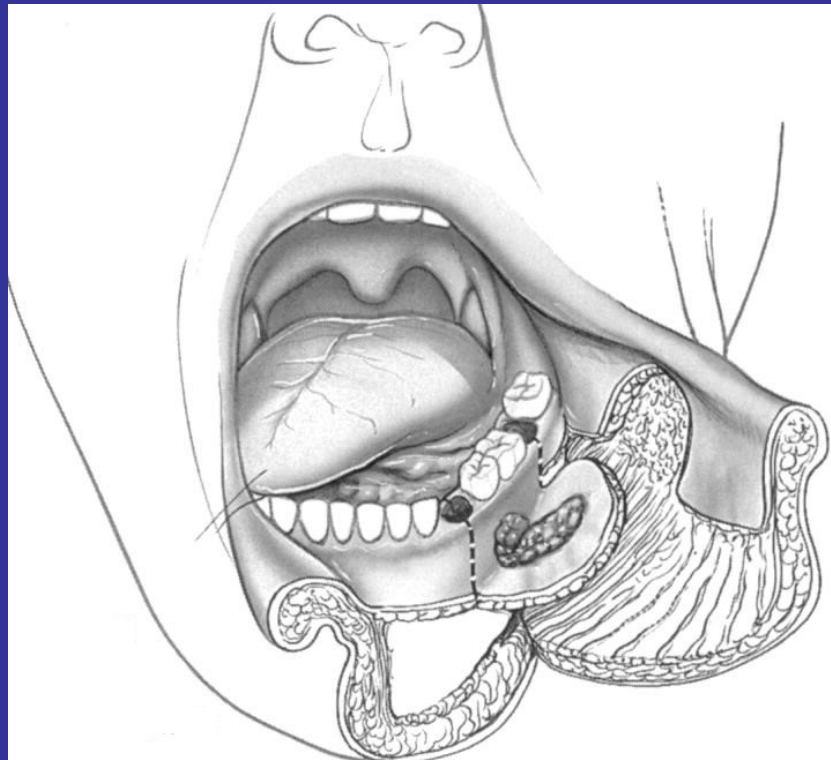


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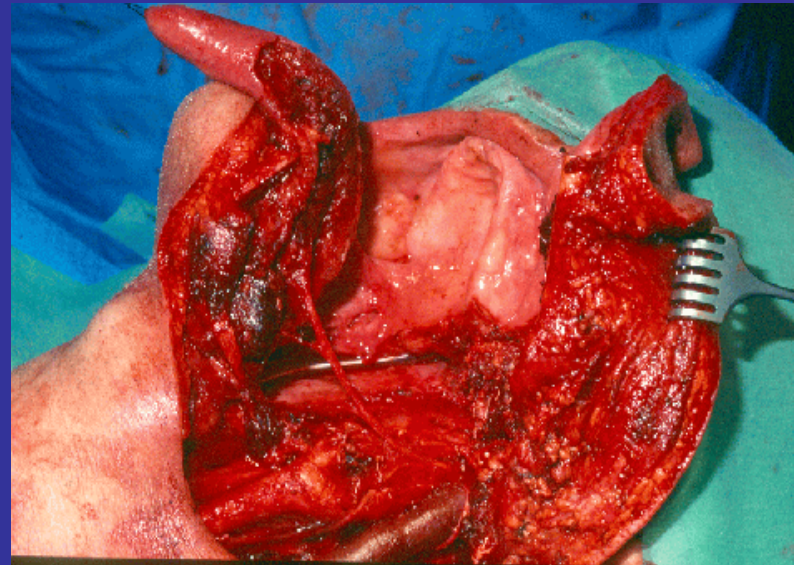
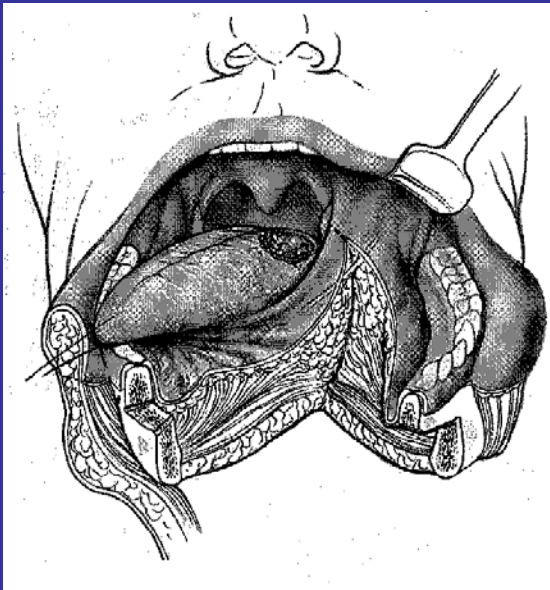
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Lower Cheek Flap

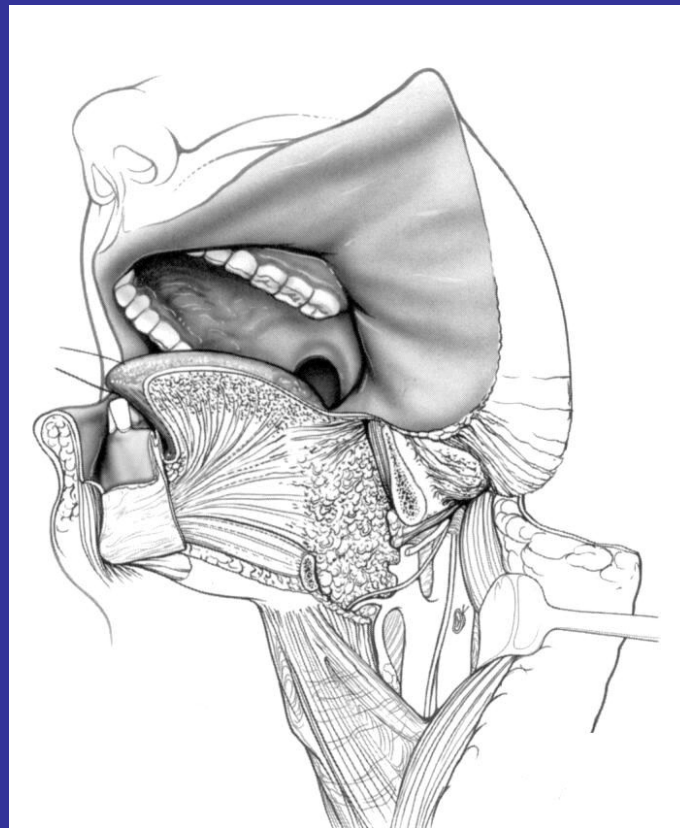


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Mandibulotomy Approach



Composite Resection with Segmental Mandibular Resection



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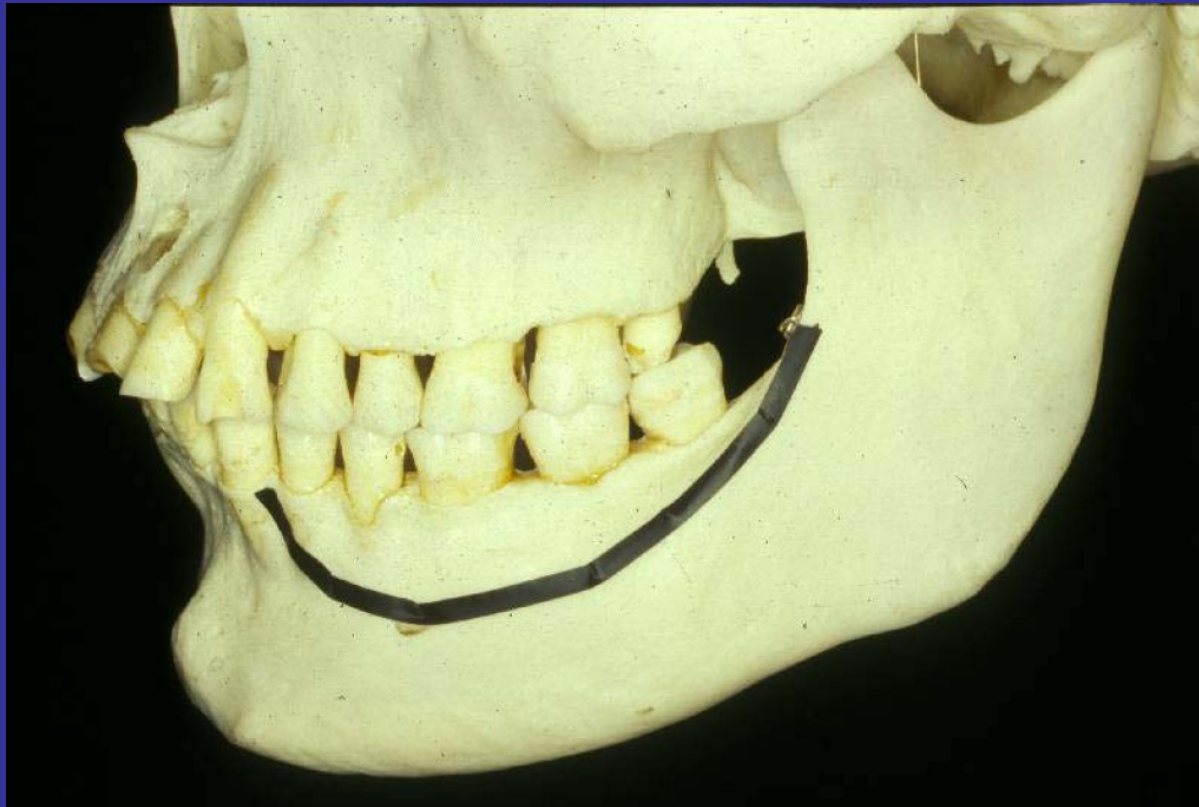
Marginal mandibulectomy feasible if:

- Tumor superior to mylohyoid muscle
- Needed for margin
- Minimal erosion of cortex/alveolar process
- In dentate patient also when limited invasion of alveolar process



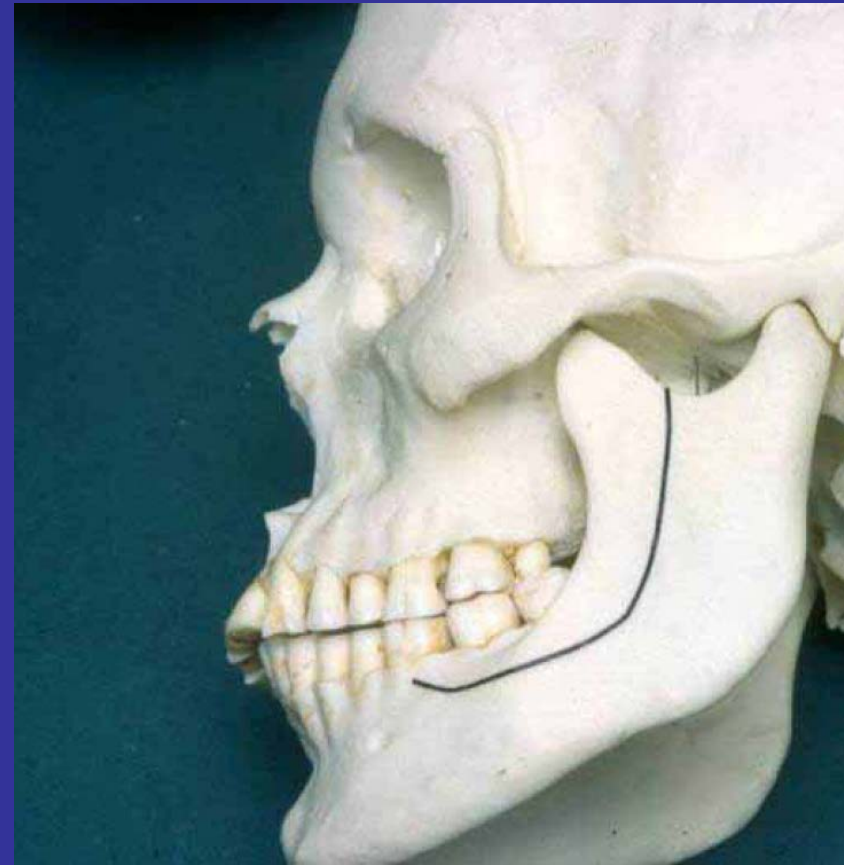
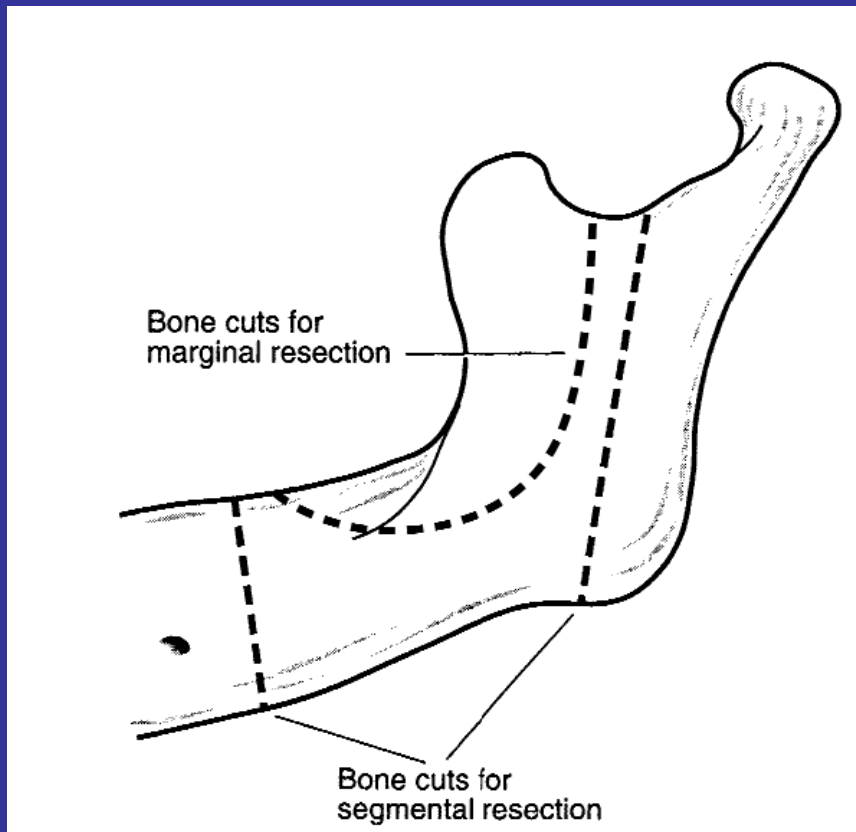
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Boat-shaped Resection of Mandible



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For Posteriorly Located Lesions: Remove Coronoid Process



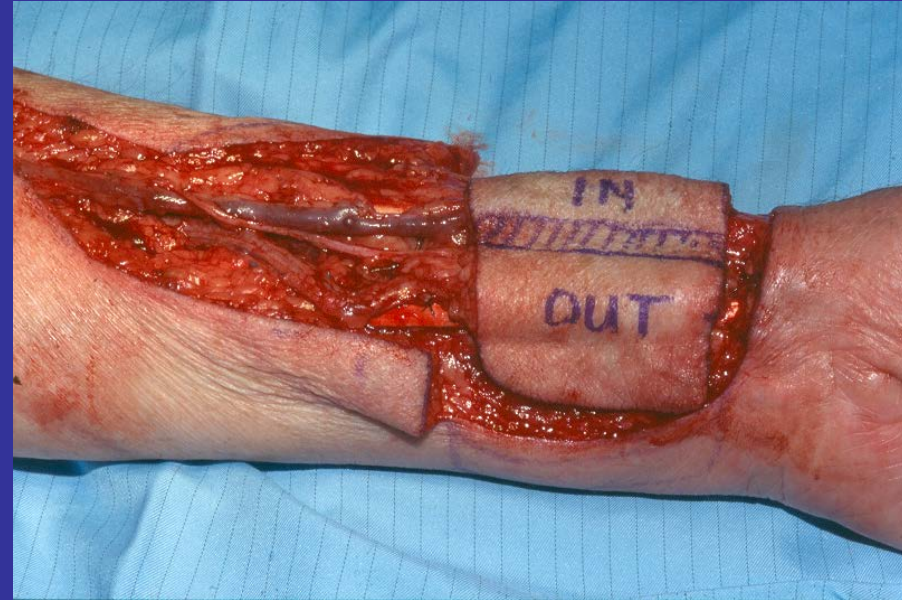
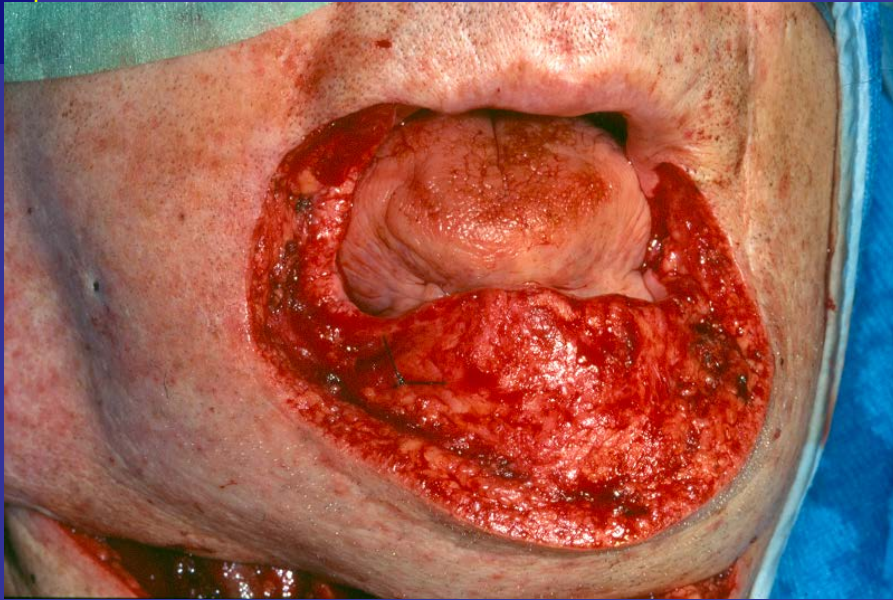
Excision and Reconstruction

- Primary closure
- Secondary intention healing
- Skin graft
- Local flap
- Regional flap
- Free flap



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Total Lower Lip Reconstruction (RFFF)



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Total Lower Lip Reconstruction (RFFF)



Lip Function 3 Years after Reconstruction of Lower Lip-Chin in a Male of 72 Years

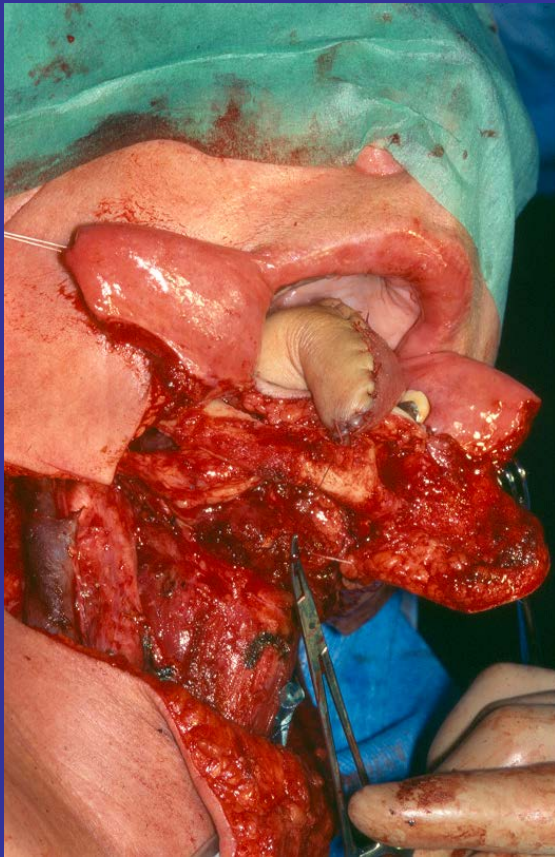
| | measurement | normal value* |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Intercommissural distance (mm) | 60 | 66 |
| Soft tissue gape (mm) | 30 | 44 |
| Sphincteric power (g) | 240 | 290 |
| Two-point discrimination (mm) | 10 | 3.2 |

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Partial Glossectomy (Bilobed RFFF)



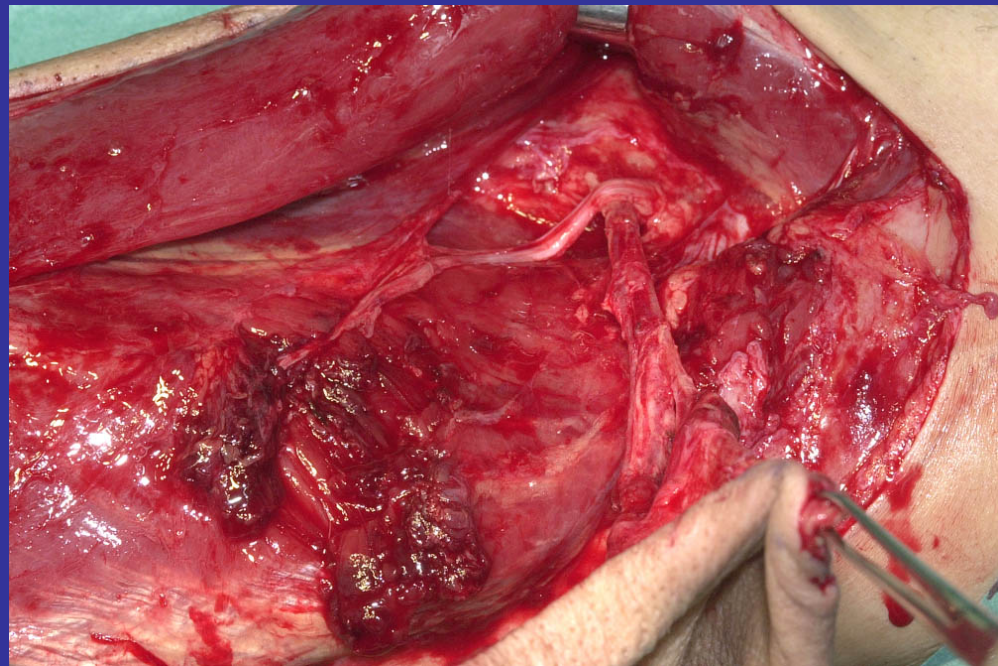
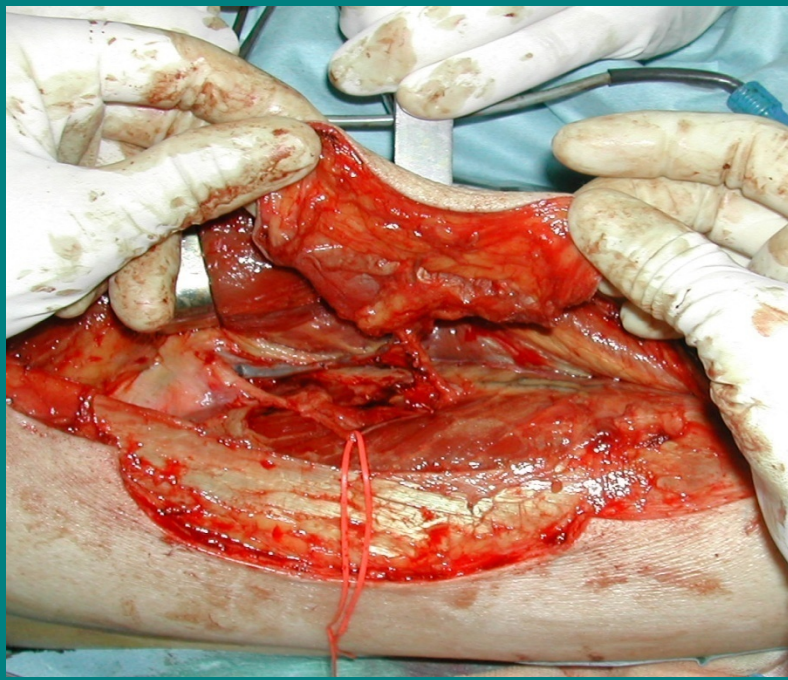
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Through-and-through Cheek Defect (RFFF)



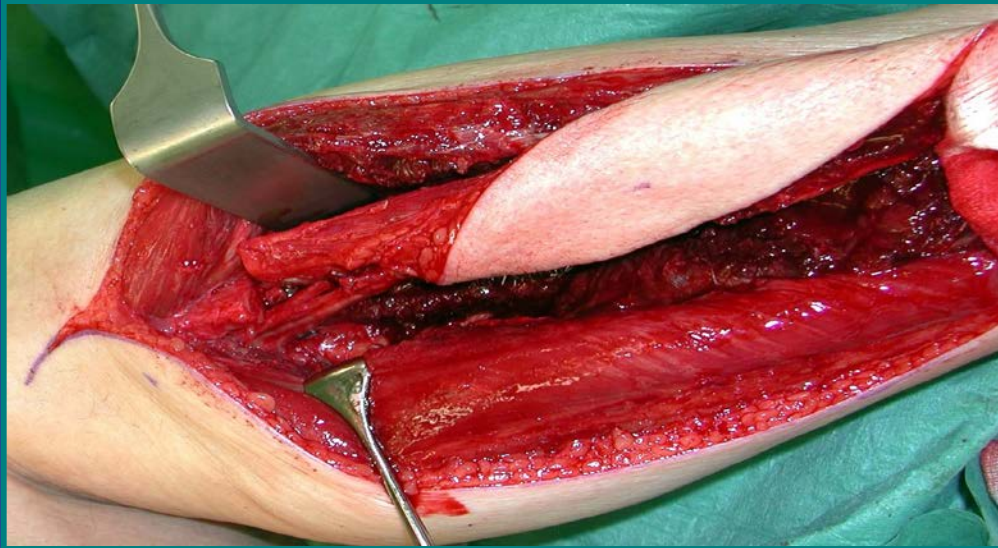
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Anterolateral Thigh Flap

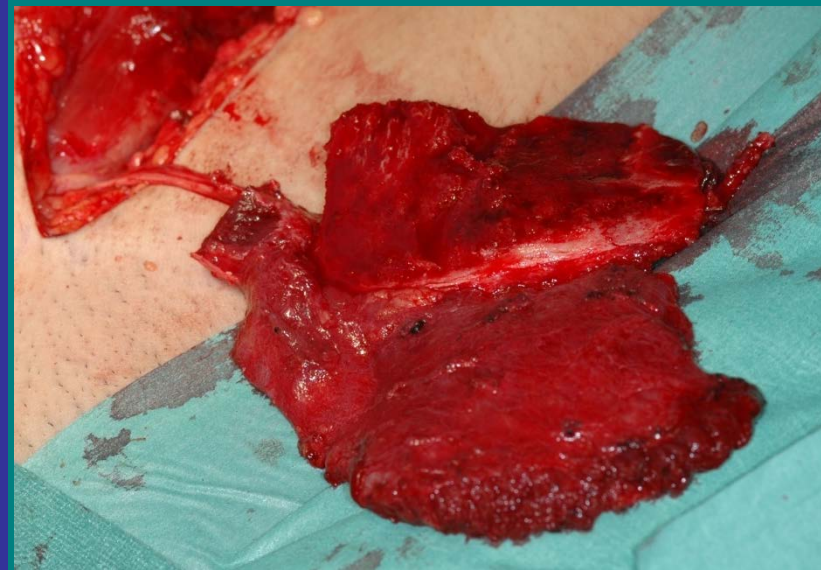


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Bony Reconstruction



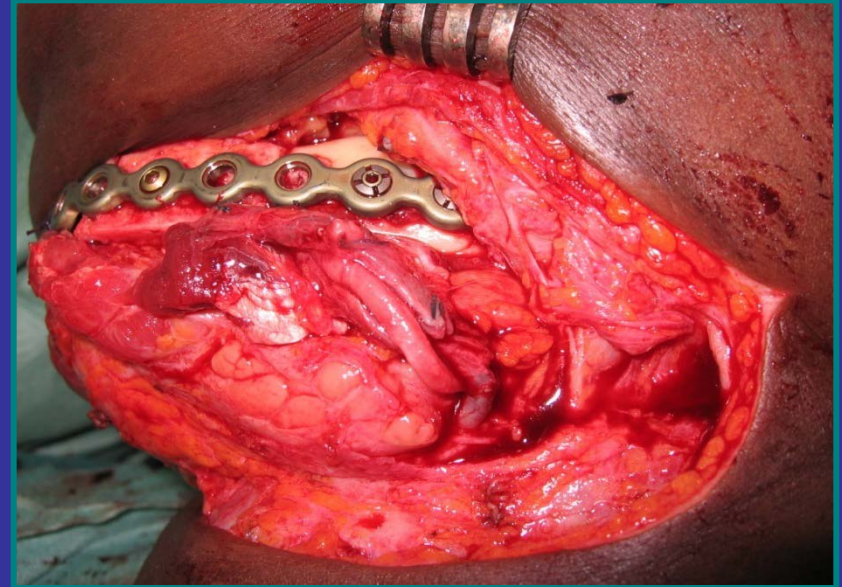
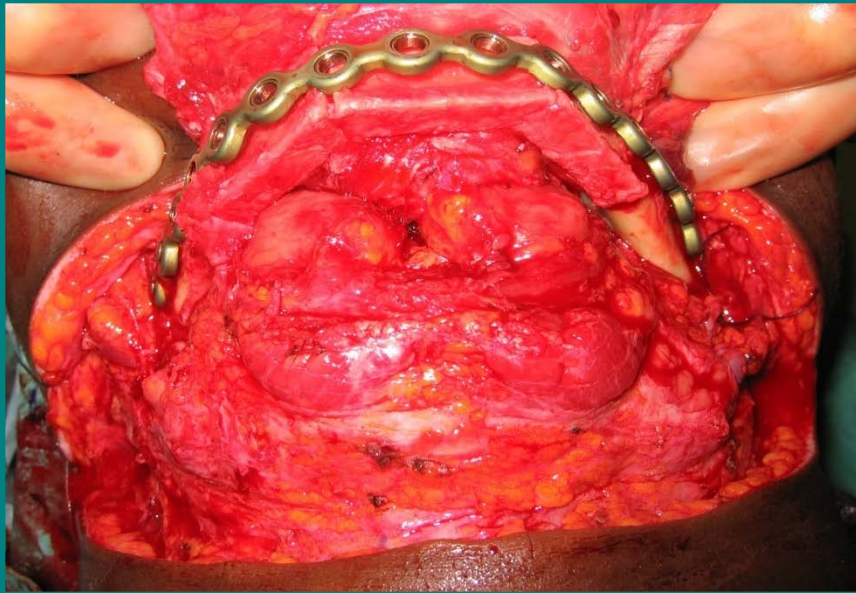
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Mandibular Reconstruction



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Result after Fibula Flap Reconstruction

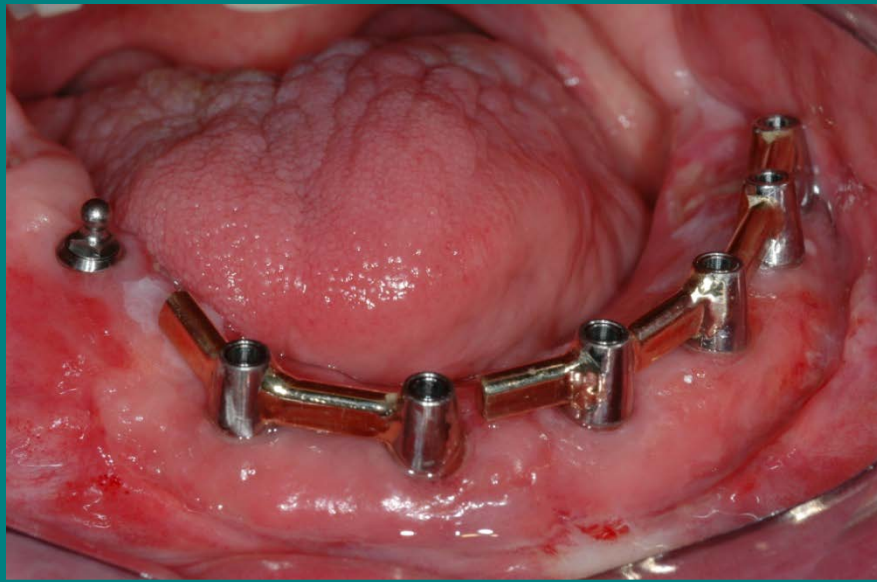


Osseointegrated Implants and Teeth



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Osseointegrated Implants and Denture



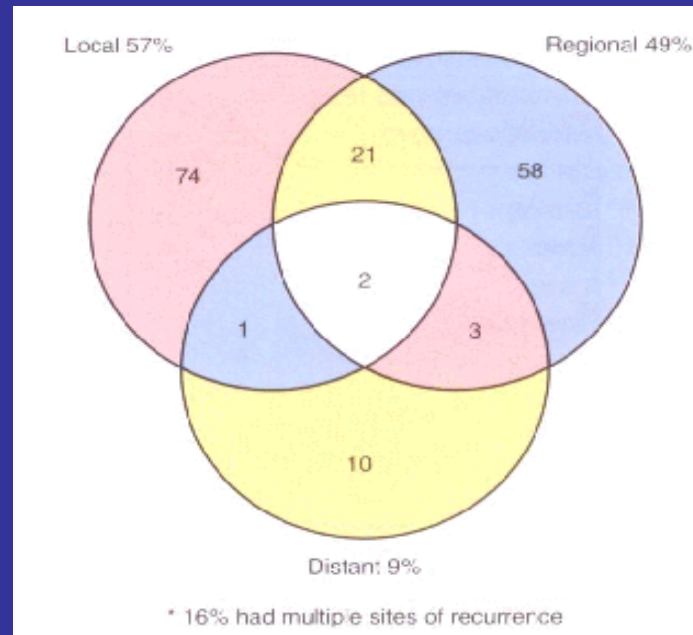
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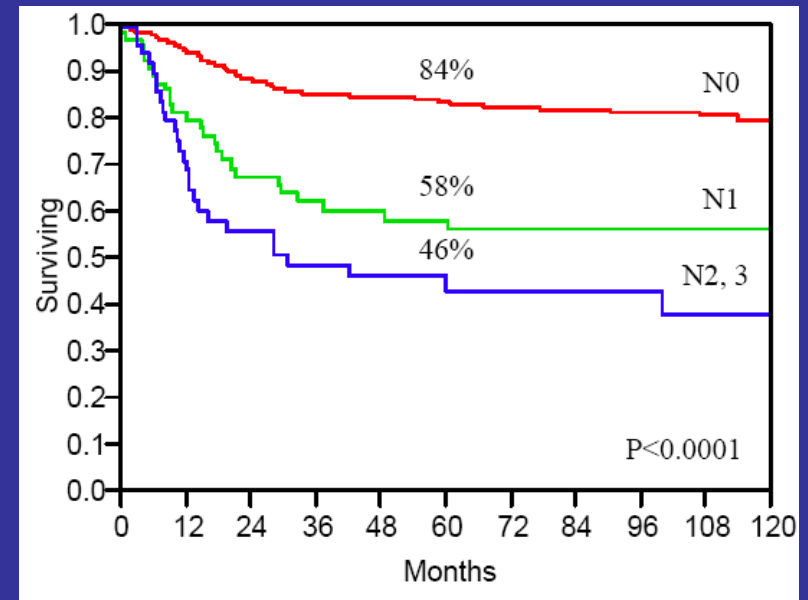
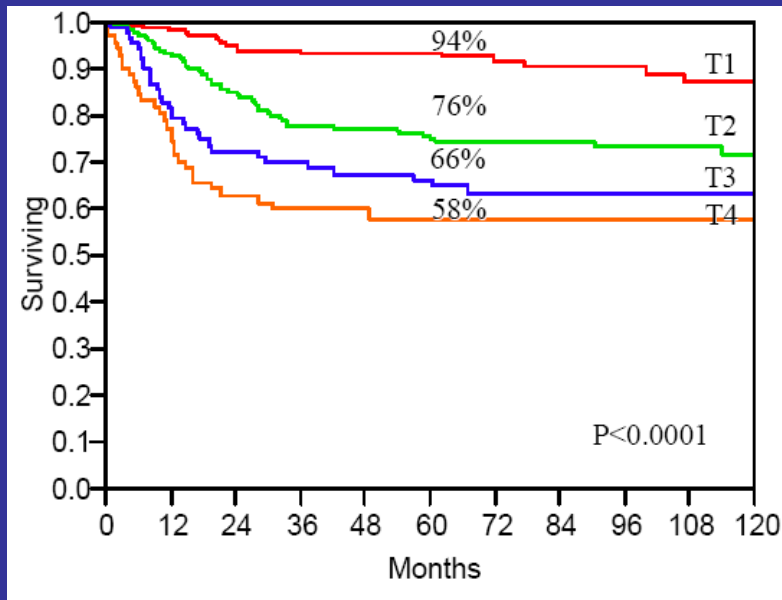
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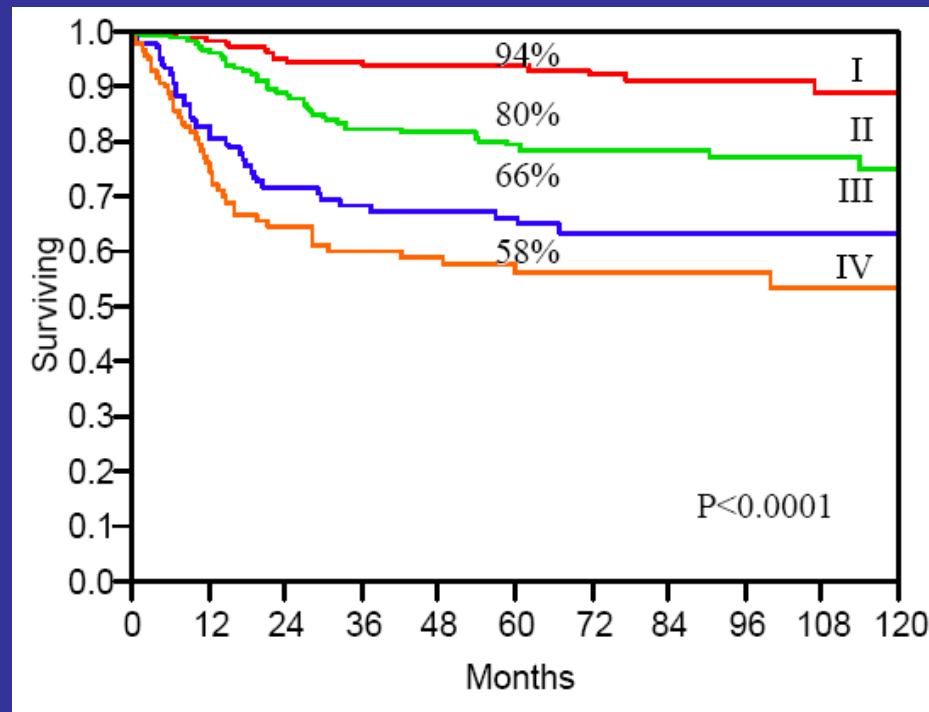
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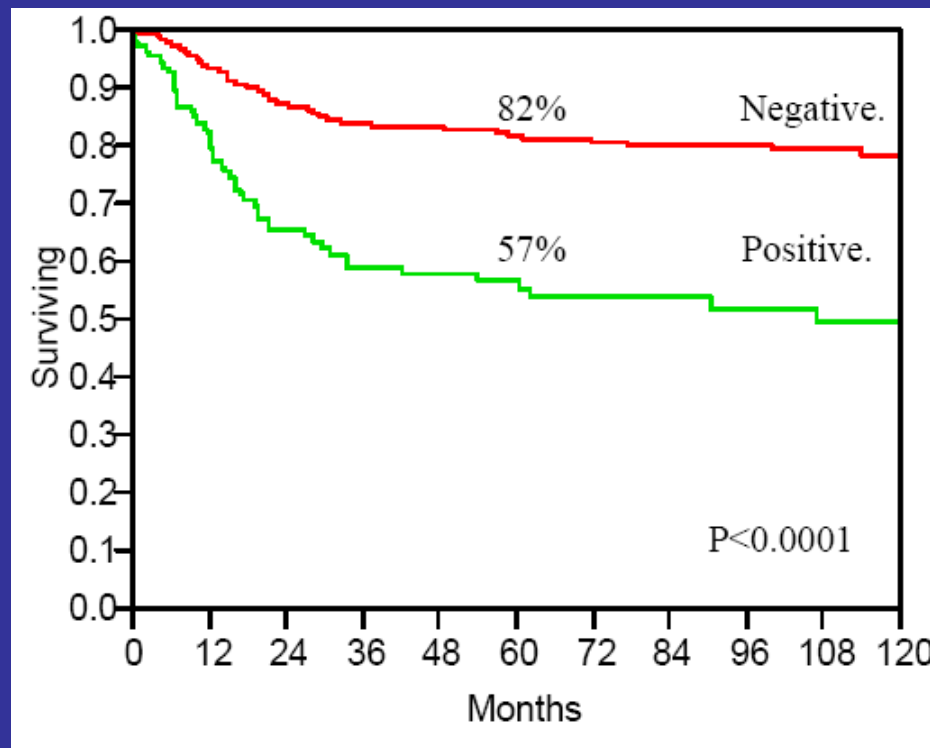
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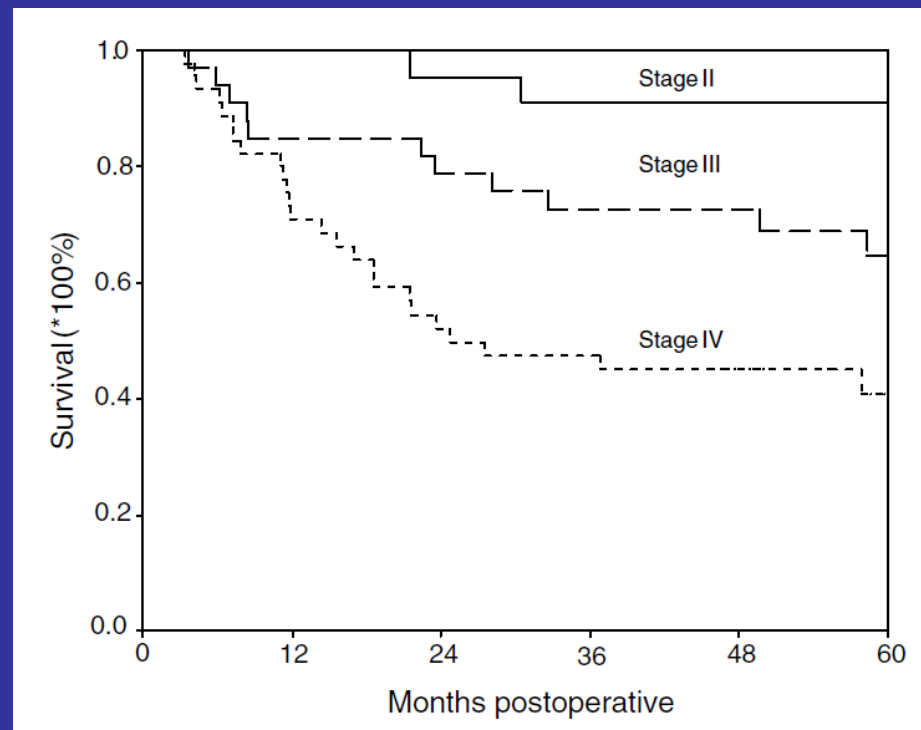


Margins

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Overall Survival



Borggreven et al. Oral Oncology 2005;41:358–364



Summary

- **Early detection**
- **Adequate surgical removal using modern techniques**
- **Appropriate neck management**
- **Contemporary soft tissue and bone reconstruction**
- **Adjuvant (chemo)radiotherapy**
- **Osseointegrated implants**



Florence, 26-29. June 2016

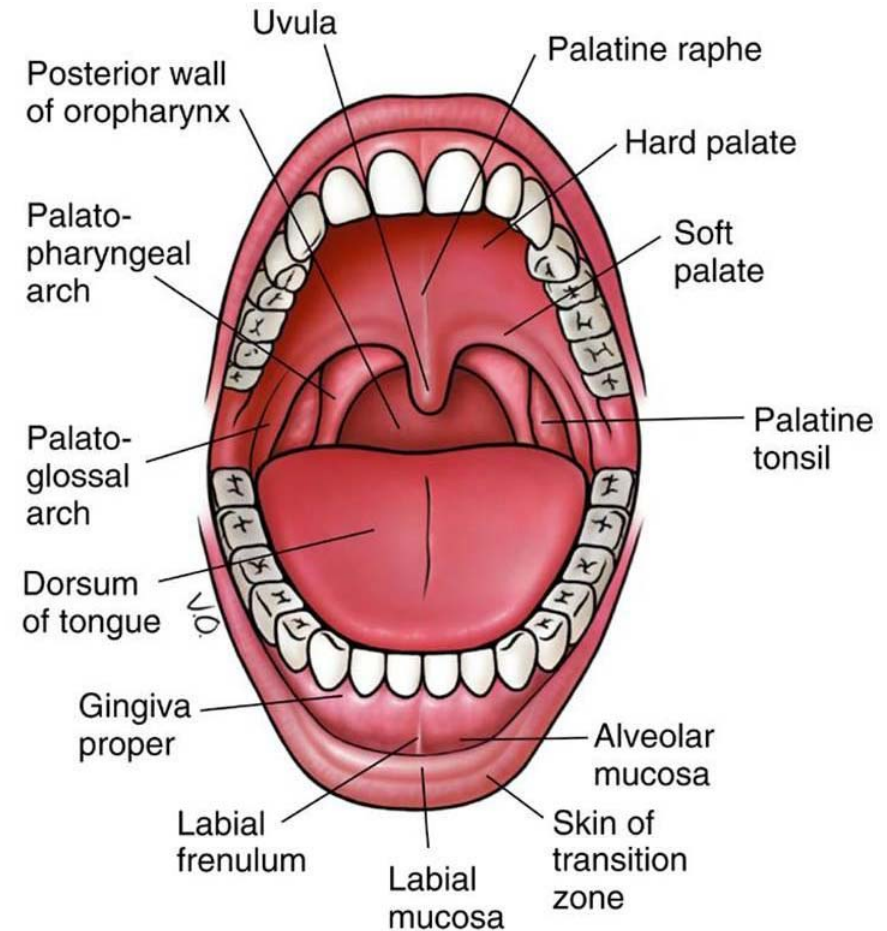
Management of oral cavity SCC: radiotherapy

Jesper Grau Eriksen

Oral cavity

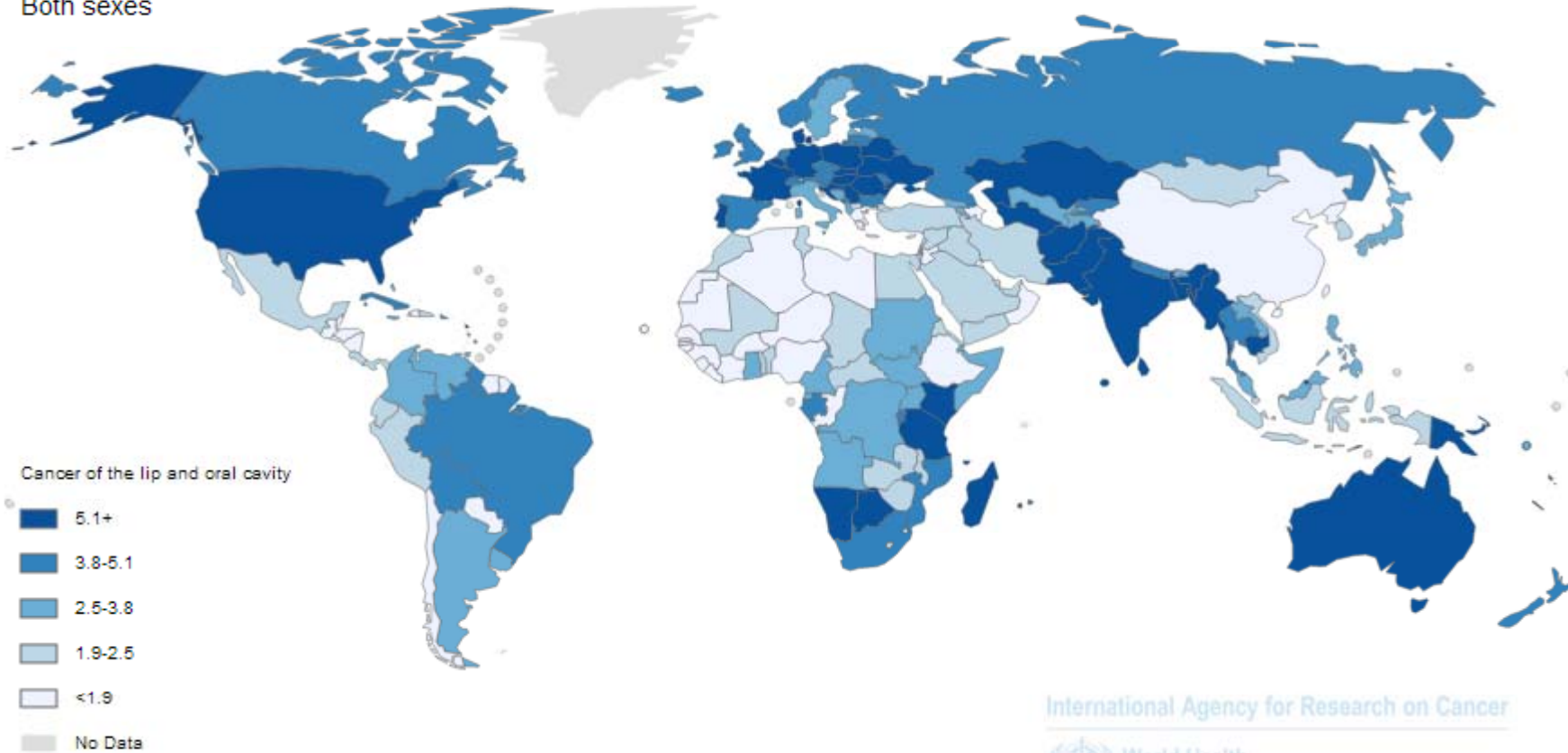
AJCC/UICC of OSCC:

- From the mucosal lip
- Anterior 2/3 of oral tongue
- Buccal mucosa
- Floor of mouth
- Hard palate
- Alveolus/ gingiva
- Retromolar trigone



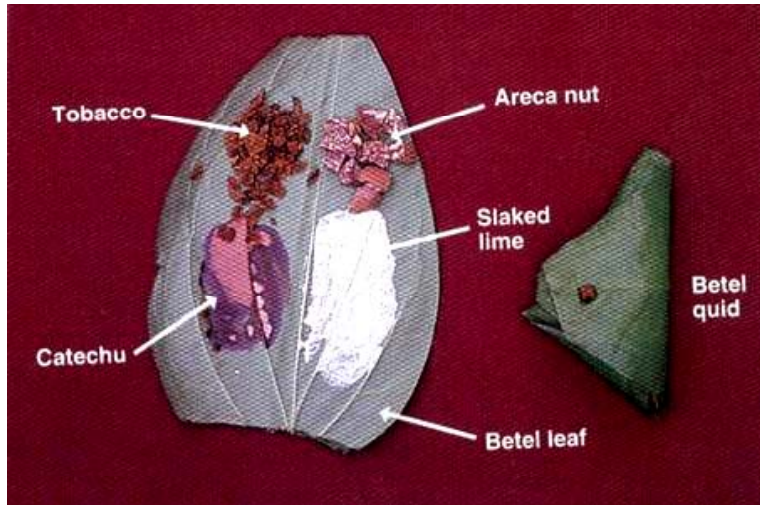
The world-standardized incidence of oral cancer

Incidence ASR
Both sexes



IARC, Globocan 2012

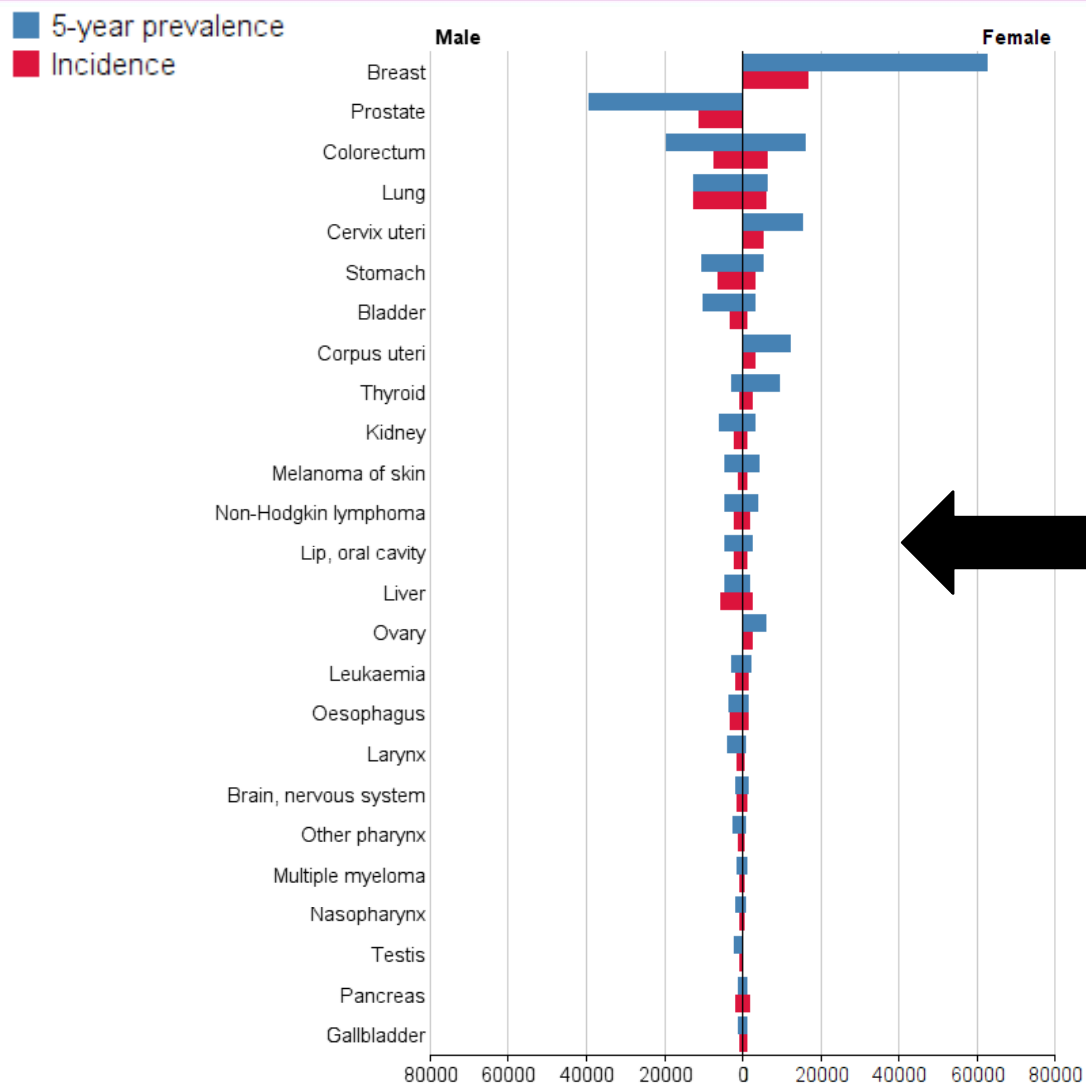
Etiology



Leukoplakia



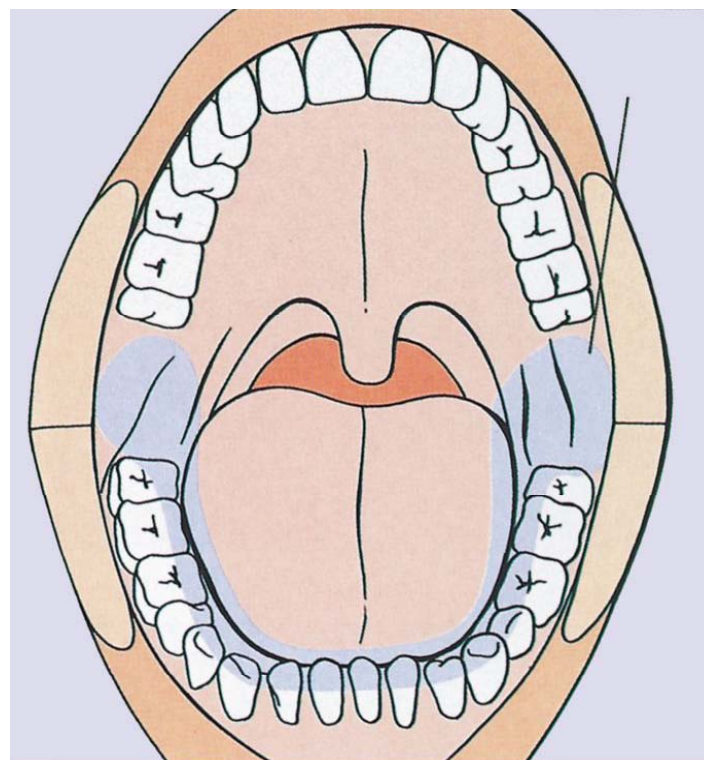
Male/female ratio



Location

N=3327

| Site | N | % |
|-----------------|------|-----|
| Buccal mucosa | 462 | 14% |
| Gingival mucosa | 524 | 16% |
| Hard palate | 107 | 3% |
| Tongue | 1088 | 35% |
| Floor of mouth | 1054 | 32% |



Blue areas: where the saliva pools

What to do???

Primary surgery?

Primary radiotherapy?

PORT?

RT-only?

C-PORT?

C-RT?

B-PORT?

B-RT?



Brachytherapy?

Surgery is the primary modality



Caravaggio 1607

RT and C-RT in oral cavity cancer

| | External Beam Radiotherapy (EBRT) | Chemotherapy | Interstitial Brachytherapy |
|------------------|--|--|---|
| Primary setting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early disease when patient intolerant of surgery • Early disease when anticipated cosmetic consequence of surgery is a concern, especially for lip cancer involving commissure • Unresectable disease, usually combined with chemotherapy • Advanced disease for patients intolerant of surgery due to poor performance status or comorbidities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced disease or unresectable disease, in combination with radiotherapy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early and superficial well-defined tumor located more than 5 mm from the mandible |
| Adjuvant setting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfavorable resection margins and extracapsular nodal extension • Adjuvant treatment after salvage surgery • Primary treatment modality, usually combined with chemotherapy if further surgery is not feasible | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combined with radiotherapy for positive resection margins or extracapsular nodal extension • Combined with radiotherapy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brachytherapy alone for positive resection margins • In combination with external beam radiotherapy to augment radiotherapy dose to the high risk area • Especially useful for re-irradiation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – for persistent or recurrent disease after previous radiation, – 2nd primary cancer occurrence within previous radiation field |

**Many treatments...only a few are randomized
Low level of EBM.....local or national politics**

Radiotherapy in the primary setting

Radiotherapy only

Chemo-radiotherapy

Brachytherapy

Radiotherapy in the primary setting

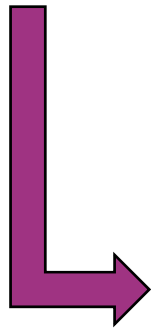
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Chemo-radiotherapy

Brachytherapy

Advantages of brachytherapy

- High localized dose
- Rapid fall-off at periphery
- Continuous low dose rate
- Short overall treatment duration



Limits:

- Size of tumour (3 cm)
- Diffuse growth
- Distant or node-positive disease
- Proximity to mandible
- Expertise.....

Sites for oral brachytherapy

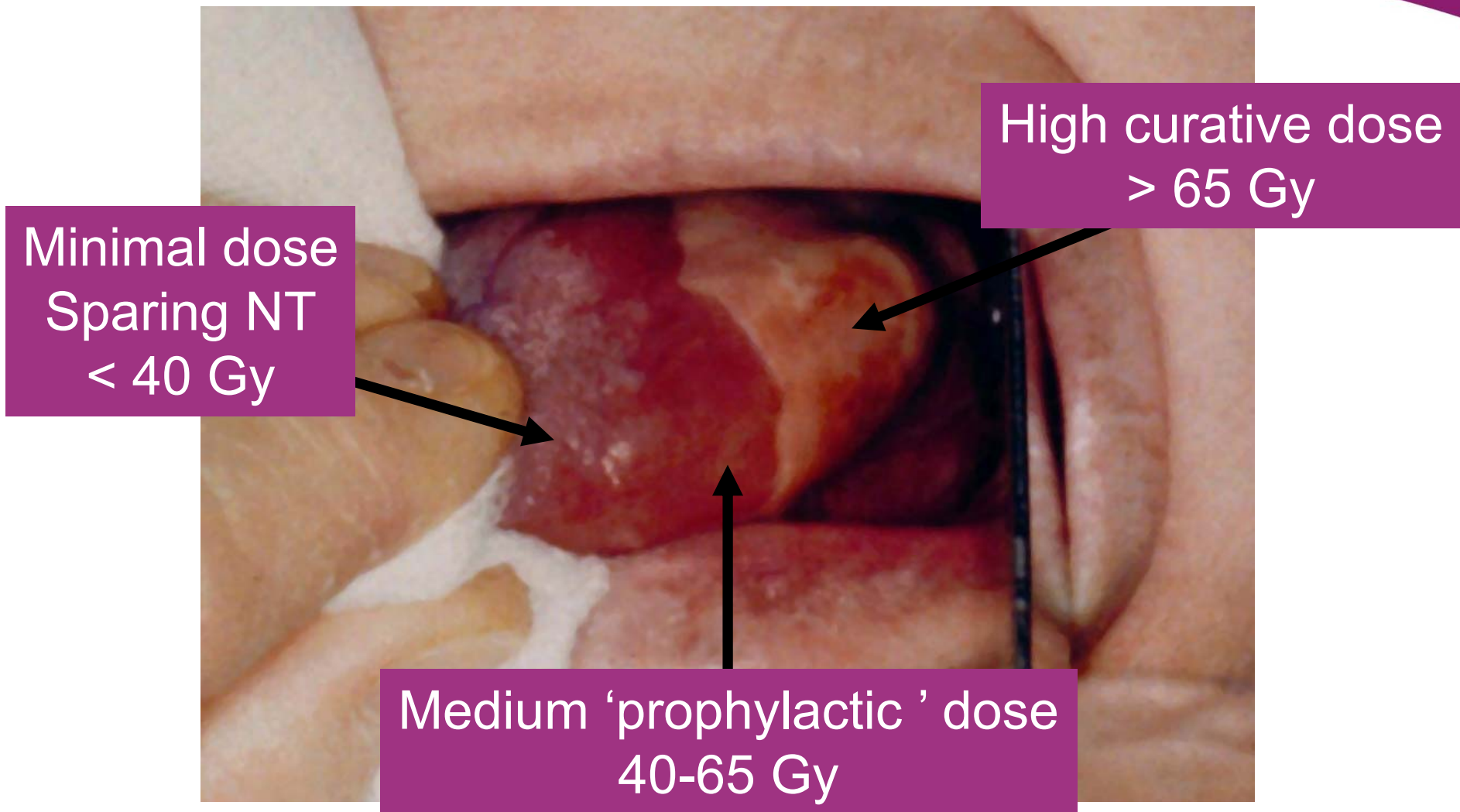
- Anterior 2/3 tongue
 - Lips
 - Buccal mucosa
 - Floor of mouth
 - Soft palate
-
- Base of tongue as boost
 - Tonsil

Patient selection

- Early disease, < 3 cm and node-negative
- No distant metastasis
- Site accessible, superficial and away from bone
- Pt accept
- Radical treatment intent
- Suitable for anesthesia

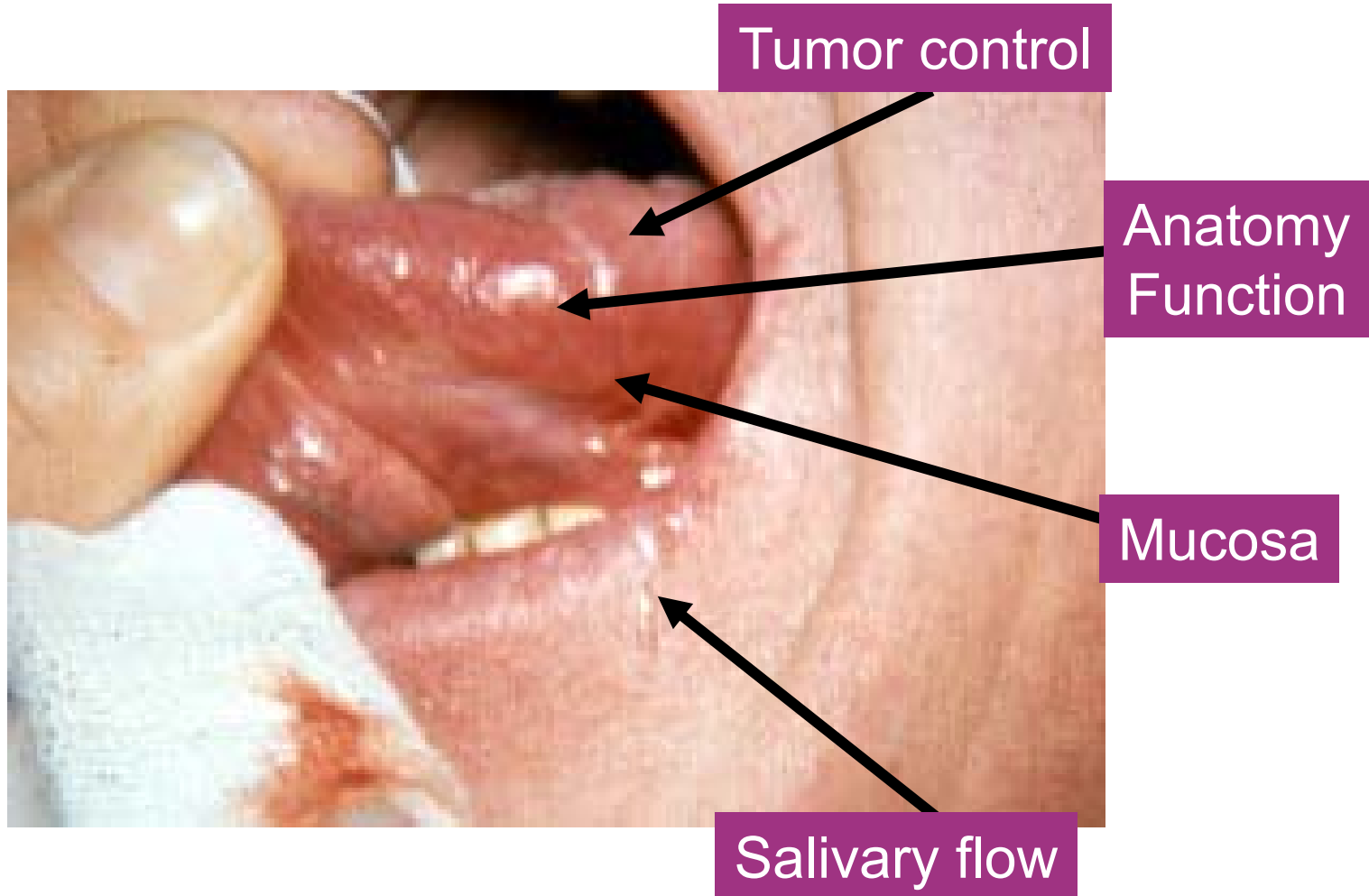


Mucositis (3-6 weeks)



Modified from Lartigeau 2012

Healing after 2 months



Modified from Lartigeau 2012

Mobile tongue: Iridium Series >100pts (LDR)

| | # pts | Technique | Local control | Late morbidity | 5 y. survival |
|----------|-------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Decroix | 602 | BT +/-EBI+/-Surg | 76% | 13% | 36% |
| Haie | 269 | BT | 87% | | 62% |
| | | EBI + BT | 49% | 8% | 30% |
| Mazon | 121 | BT 55-60 Gy | 73% | T2 N0 7% | |
| | | BT 65-75 Gy | 92% | | |
| Wendt | 103 | BT | 65% | 0 | 89% |
| | | BT+ EBI <40 Gy | 92% | 4% | 78% |
| | | BT+ EBI >40 Gy | 69% | 17% | 71% |
| | | EBI | 28% | 0 | 57% |
| Hareyama | 130 | BT | 86% | | |
| | | EBI + BT | | | |
| Shibuya | 370 | BT | 75% | 4% | |
| | | BT + EBI | 46% | | |
| Lefebvre | 283 | BT | 83% | 6% | NP |
| Pernot | 448 | BT | | 9% | |
| | | EBI + BT | 68% | (3 % grade 3) | 44% |
| Matsura | 173 | BT | 84 - 95% | | 69 - 84% |
| | | EBI + BT | 74 - 80% | | |

2500 Patients

65-95%

Modified from Lartigeau 2012

Comparative institutional studies

T2 N0 series: 5-Y local control

| | # patients | Brachy alone | EBRT+Brachy |
|-------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|
| Pernot (Nancy) | 147 | 90% | 51% |
| Benk (Paris) | 110 | 88% | 36% |
| Haie (Villejuif) | 77 | 93% | 80% |

Pernot et al : Radiother Oncol; 1992;23: 223- 228

Benck et al : Radiother Oncol; 1990;18: 339- 347

Haie et al : Actual Carcinol Cervicofac;1983;9: 52- 57

Modified from Lartigeau 2013

T1/T2 lip cancer



Iridium¹⁹²; 60-70 Gy; 0.4 to 0.7 Gy/h

Local Control : 90-95 % at 5 years

Cosmetic results: "good to excellent": 80-95 %
(telangiectasias, fibrosis)

Radiotherapy in the primary setting

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Brachytherapy

Primary RT of oral cavity carcinomas

Primary RT is overall not first choice but may be relevant for:

- Early stage disease to avoid functional/cosmetic defects (soft palate)
- Unresectable disease
- High risk pts. due to comorbidity or poor PS
- Recurrent disease where previous multiple surgeries have been undertaken and further surgery would be irrelevant
- Patient's preference

Equal efficient modalities in early stage oral cancers

Retrospective analysis of 244 patients
with T1-2 tumours of the mobile tongue

Five-year survival rates.

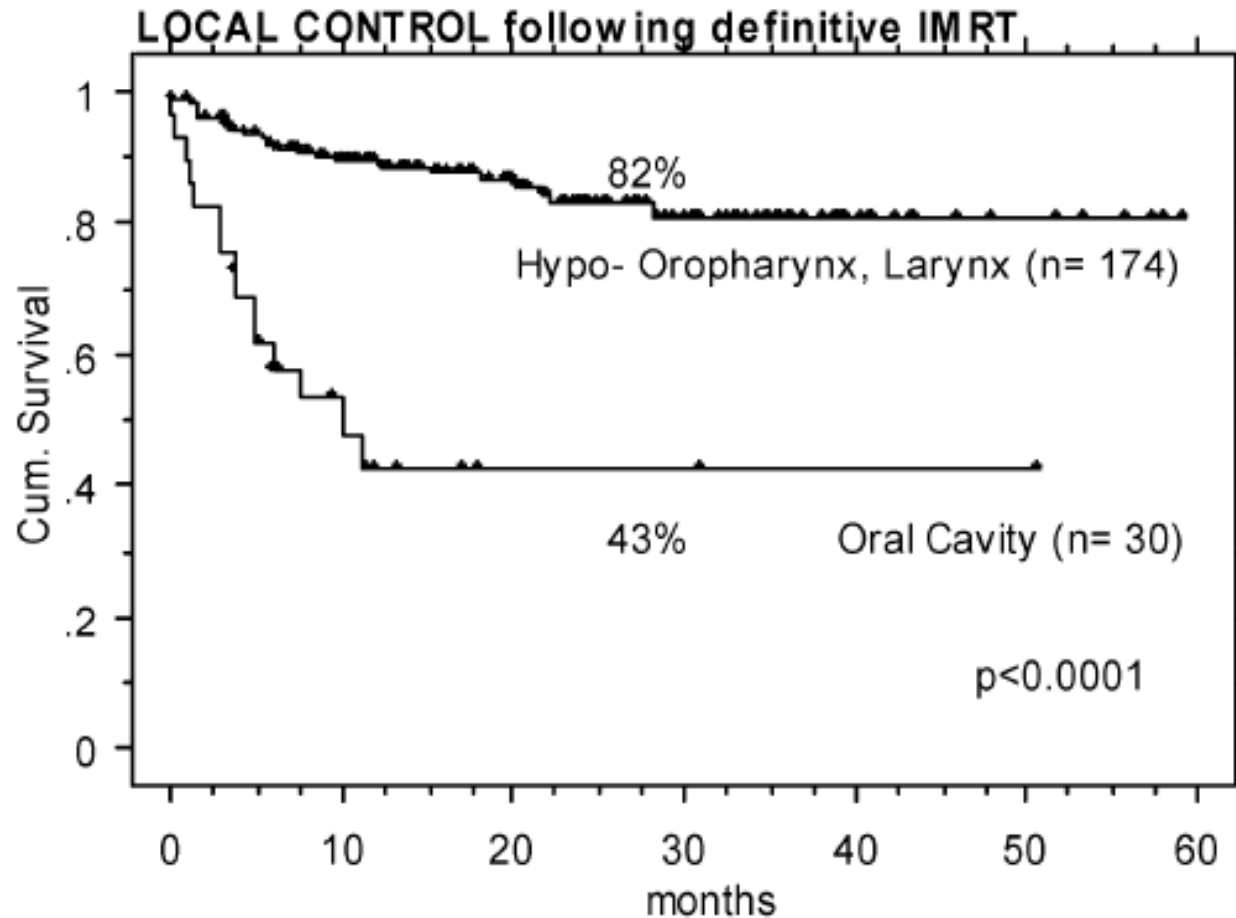
| | Implant | Electron | Cryosurgery | Surgery | Total |
|----------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Stage I | 0.67 ± 0.07^a | 0.79 ± 0.08 | 0.92 ± 0.08 | $_{-}^b$ | 0.73 ± 0.05 |
| Stage II | 0.74 ± 0.04 | 0.57 ± 0.13 | $_{-}^b$ | 0.77 ± 0.12 | 0.71 ± 0.04 |
| Total | 0.72 ± 0.04 | 0.71 ± 0.07 | 0.70 ± 0.10 | 0.71 ± 0.10 | 0.72 ± 0.03 |

^a Standard error.

^b Survival rates for subsets of patients less than ten are not shown.

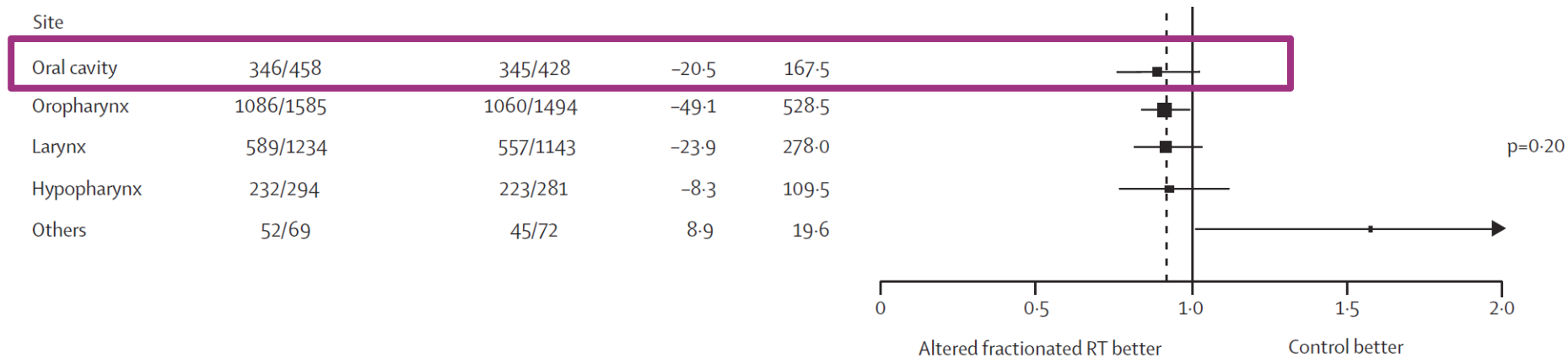
....but a difference in toxicity!

Primary RT of advanced oral cavity carcinomas



- Institutional series
- 2002-7: 346 pts.
- 69% T3/T4
- 60-70 Gy

Conventional vs. altered fractionation



Radiotherapy in the primary setting

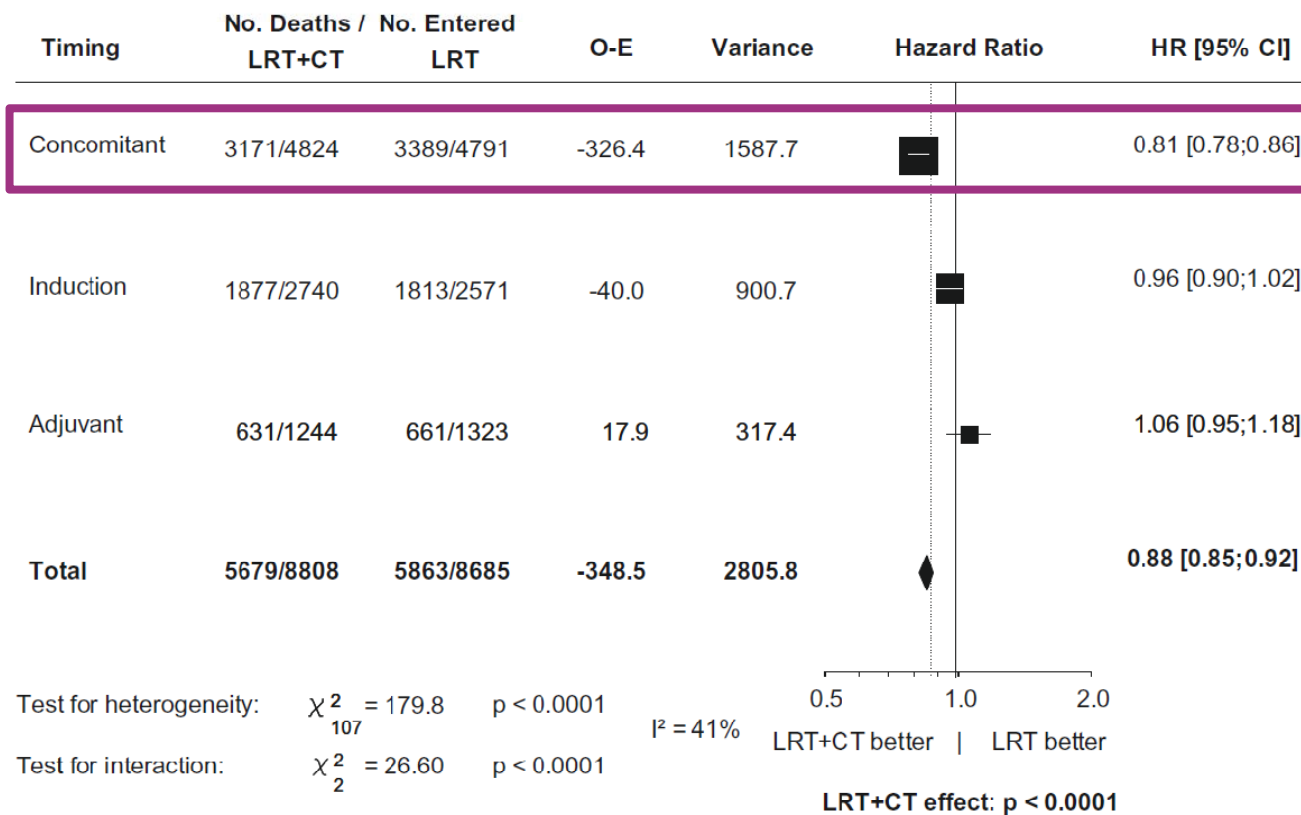
Radiotherapy only

Chemo-radiotherapy

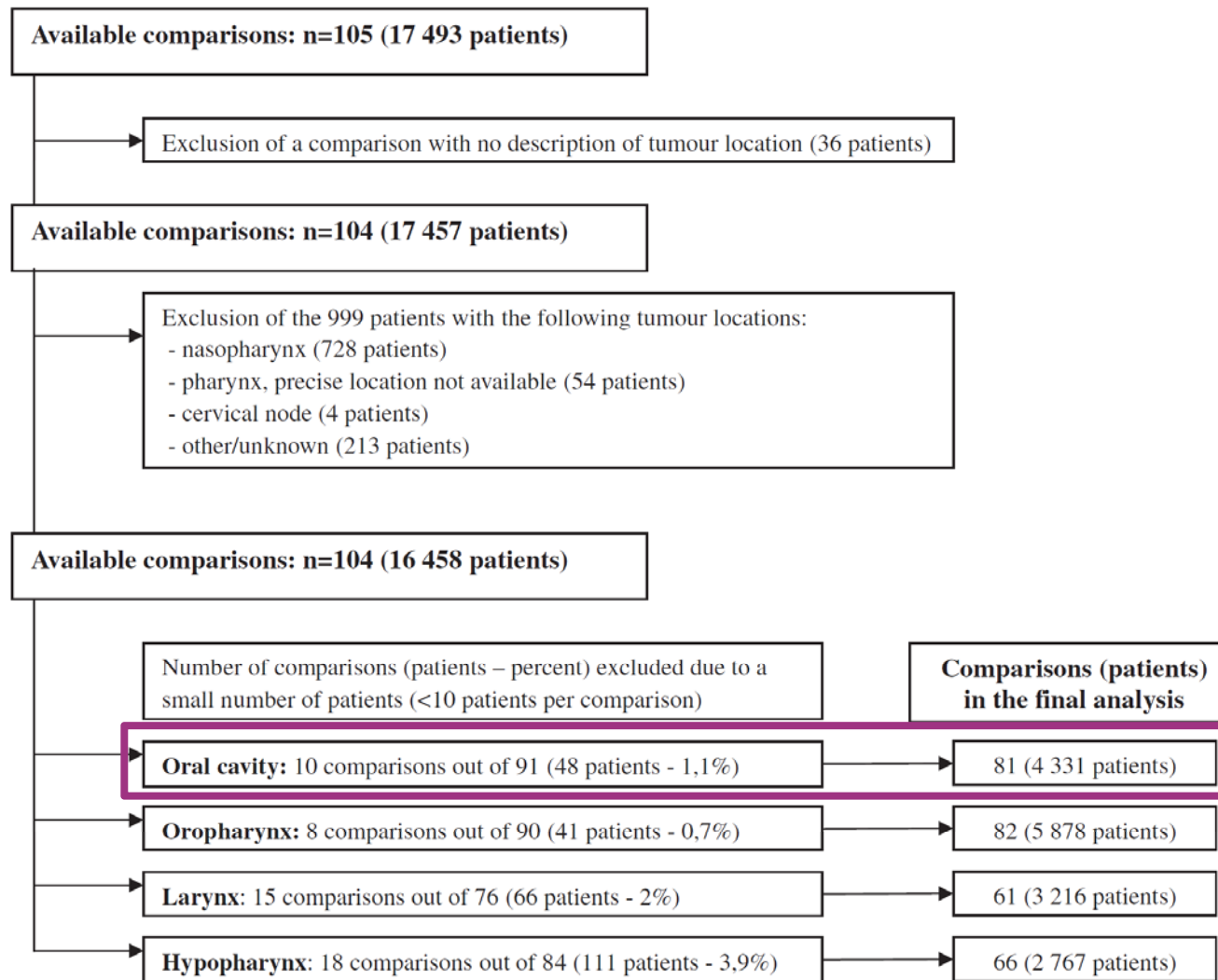
Brachytherapy

C-RT to locally advanced HNSCC

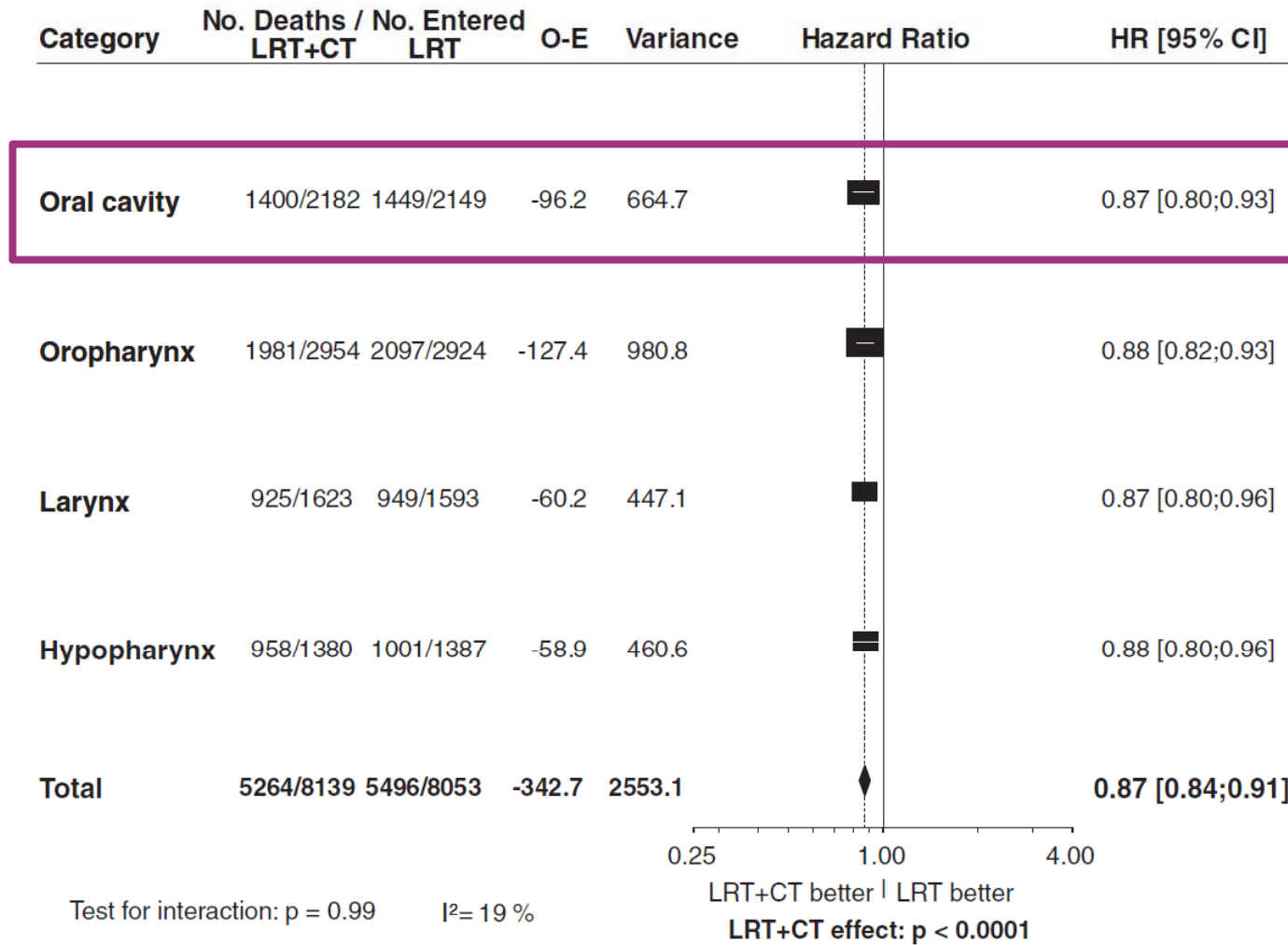
(a) Hazard ratio of death.



Primary C-RT of oral cavity carcinomas

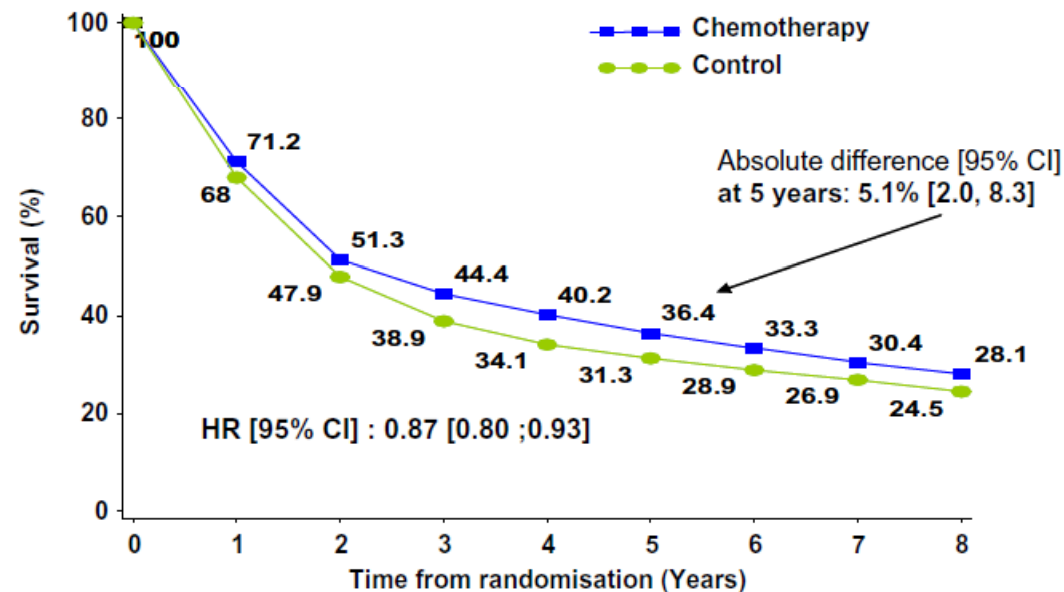


Primary C-RT of oral cavity carcinomas



Primary C-RT of oral cavity carcinomas

| | HR [95% CI] 5-year abs benefit [CI] | Timing of chemotherapy | | | Test of interaction* |
|-------------|--|--|--|--|----------------------|
| | | Adjuvant | Neoadjuvant | Concomitant | |
| Oral cavity | | 0.94 [0.76; 1.17] +0.4% [-7.6; 8.4] | 0.93 [0.82; 1.05] +2.2% [-2.9; 7.3] | 0.80 [0.72; 0.89] +8.9% [4.4; 13.4] | p = 0.15 |



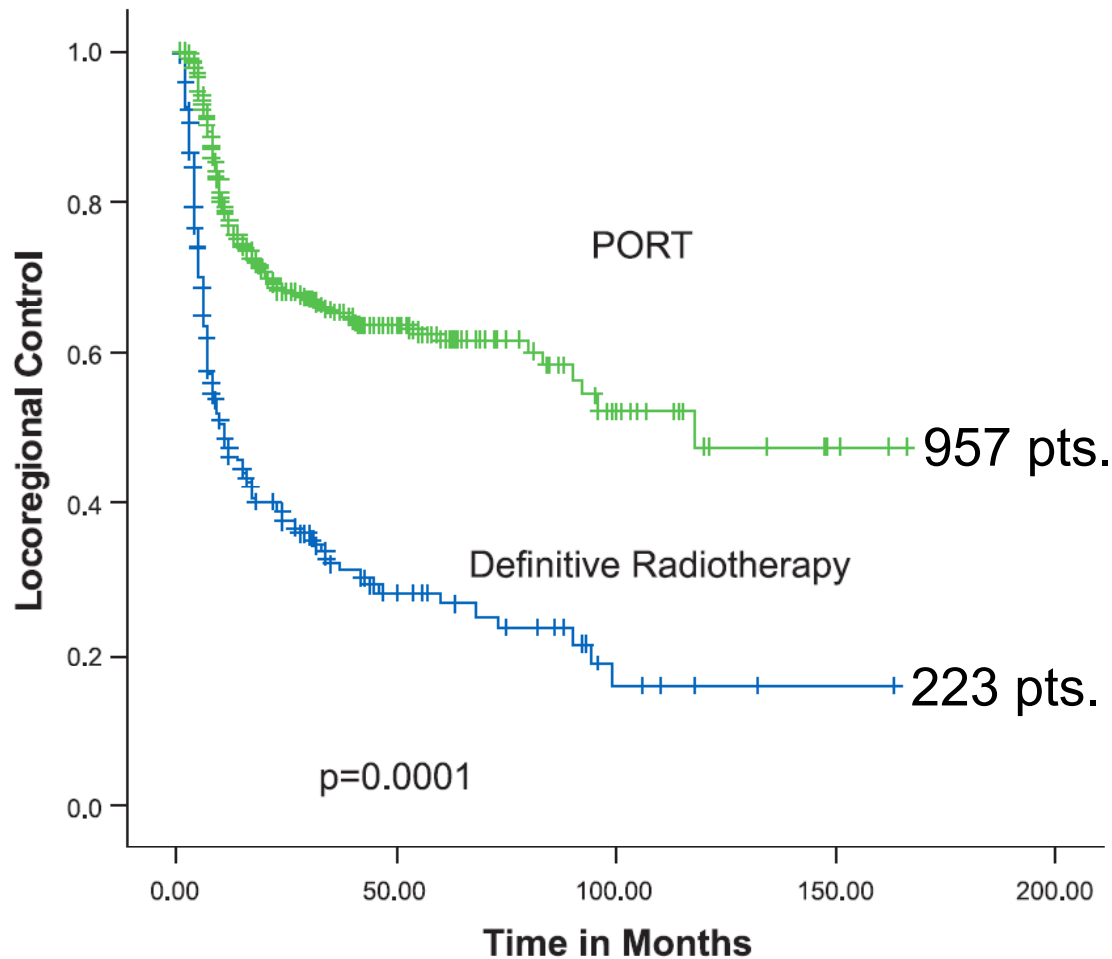
Number of deaths/person-years:

| | Years 0-2 | Years 2-5 | Years >=6 |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| LRT+CT | 1008/3031 | 253/2165 | 139/1620 |
| LRT | 1070/2846 | 280/1771 | 99/1204 |

Radiotherapy in the adjuvant setting

Radiotherapy only?
Chemo-radiotherapy?

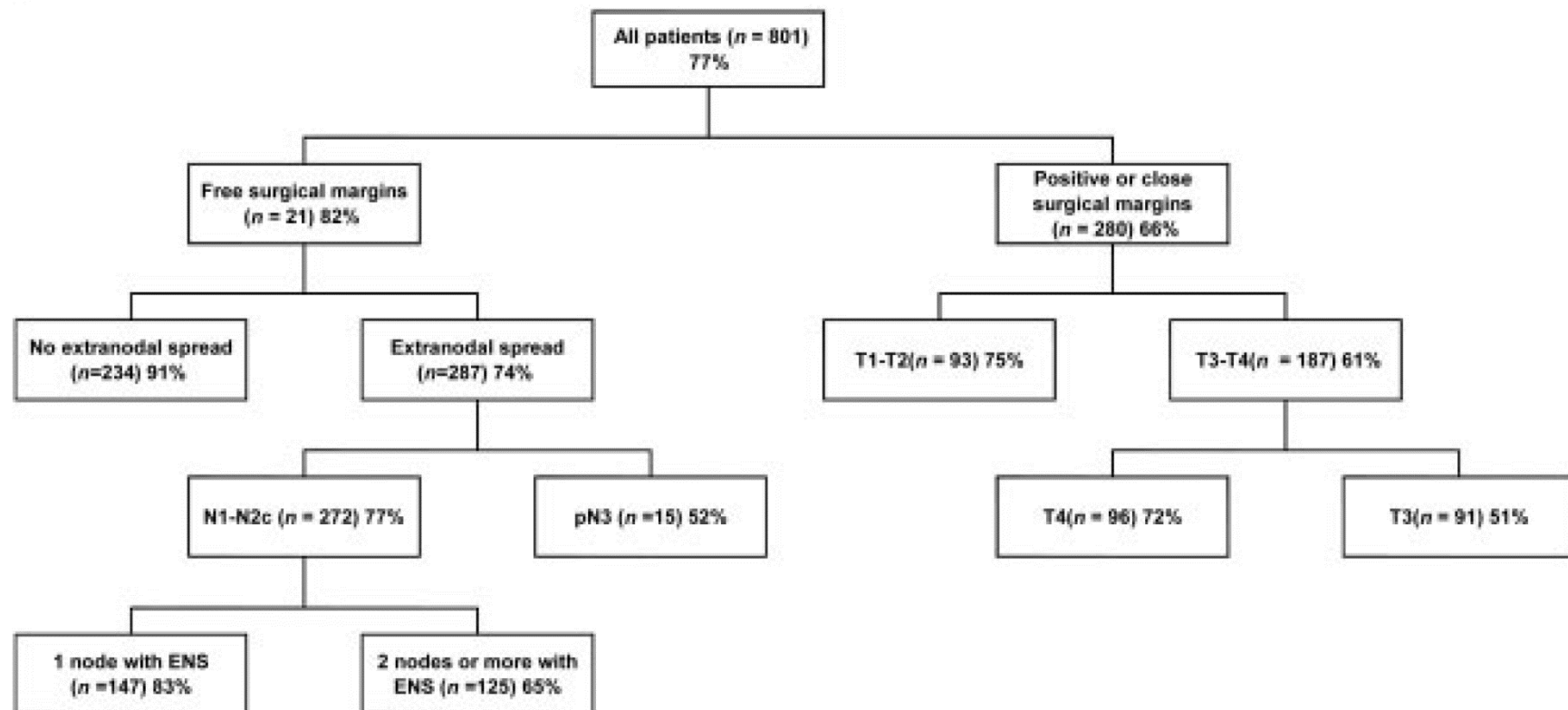
Primary RT of oral cavity carcinomas



- Institutional series
- 1990-2004: 1180 pts.
- 66-70Gy/33-35fx

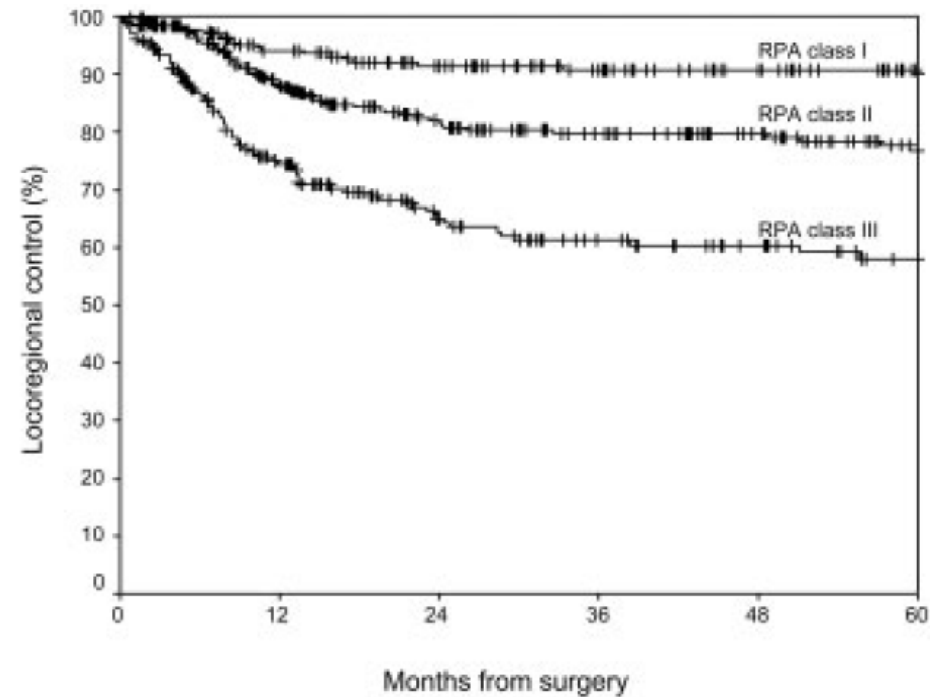
Postoperative RT of oral cavity cancer

Surgery: 20% local excision, 644 extensive resections; 91% neck dissection
2D RT: 63.5Gy (bed+1 cm), range 38-70.5Gy; elective 46-50Gy

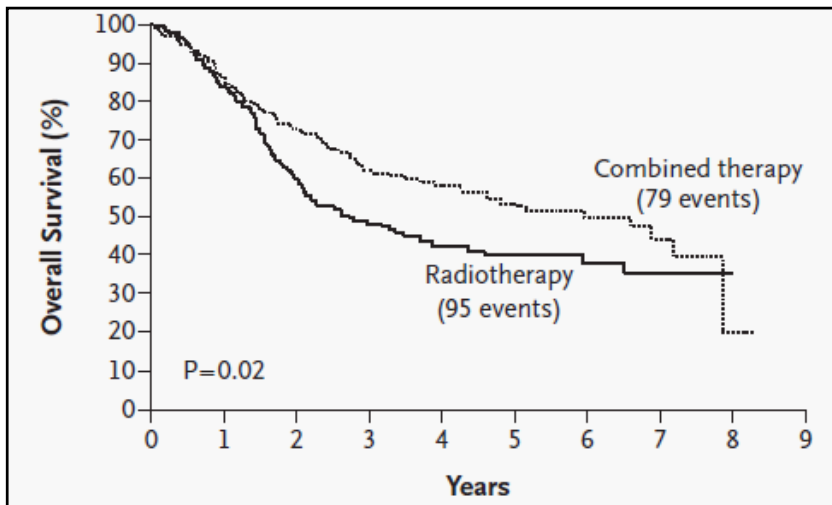
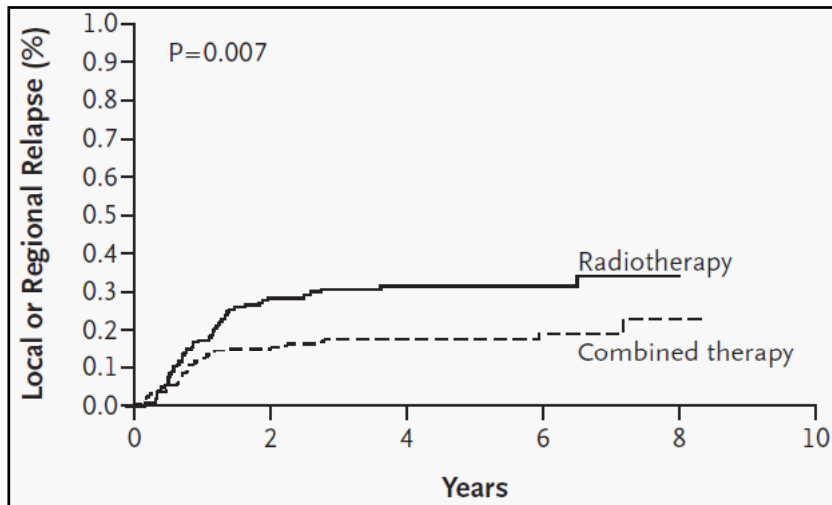


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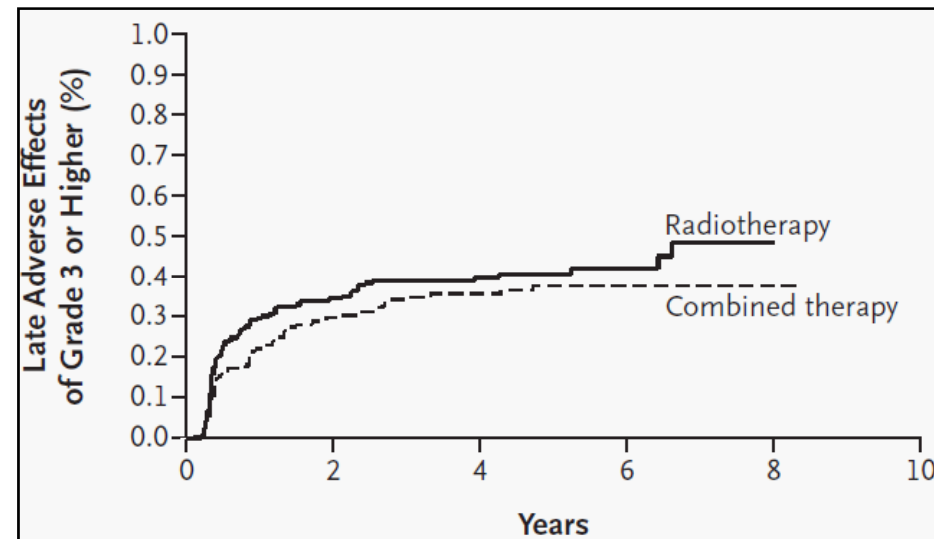
| RPA class | Definition(s) |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Class I (intermediate risk) | Free surgical margins and no extranodal spread |
| Class II (high risk) | T1, T2, and T4 tumors with close or positive surgical margins One lymph node metastasis with extranodal spread |
| Class III (very high risk) | T3 tumors with close or positive surgical margins Multiple lymph node metastases with extranodal spread N3 neck |



Adjuvant C-RT after surgery



EORTC 22931

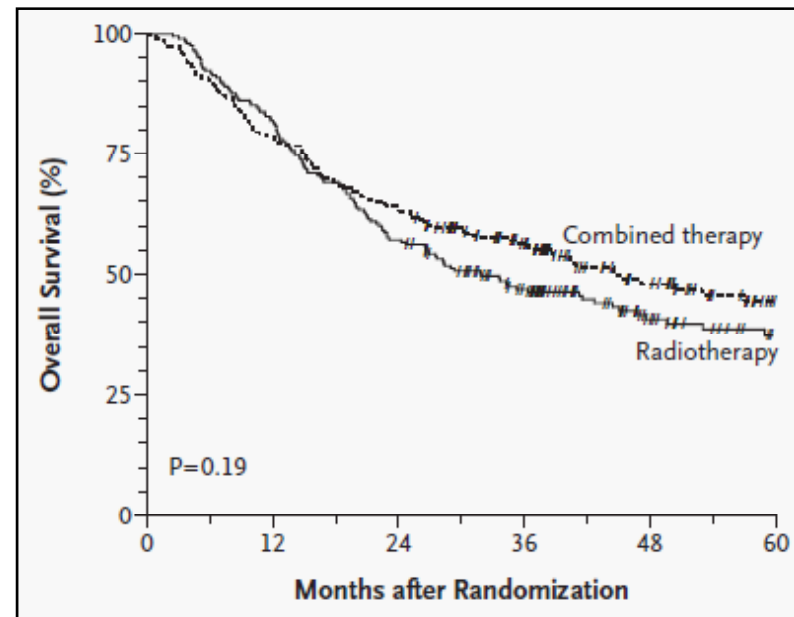
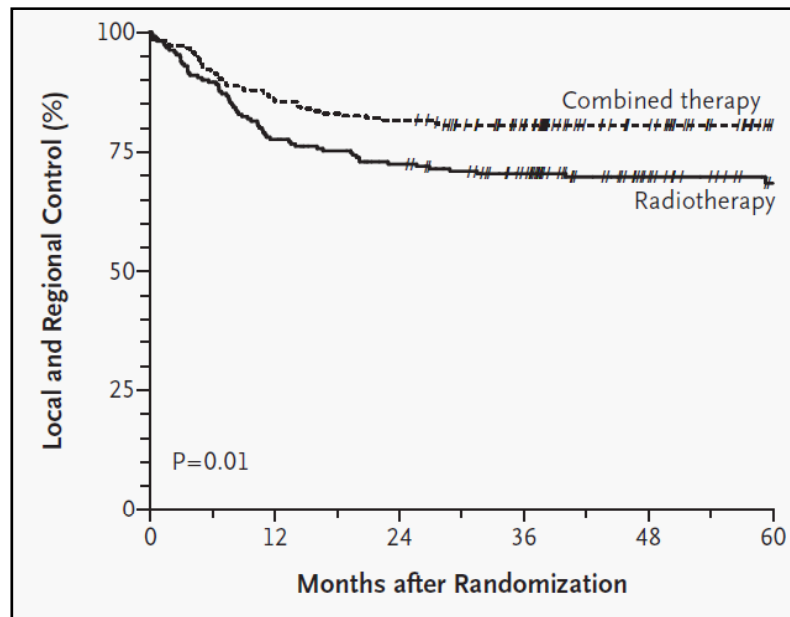


334 ptt, st. III-IV, 66Gy conventional fx
+ cisplatin 100mg/m², 3-weekly

Adjuvant C-RT after surgery

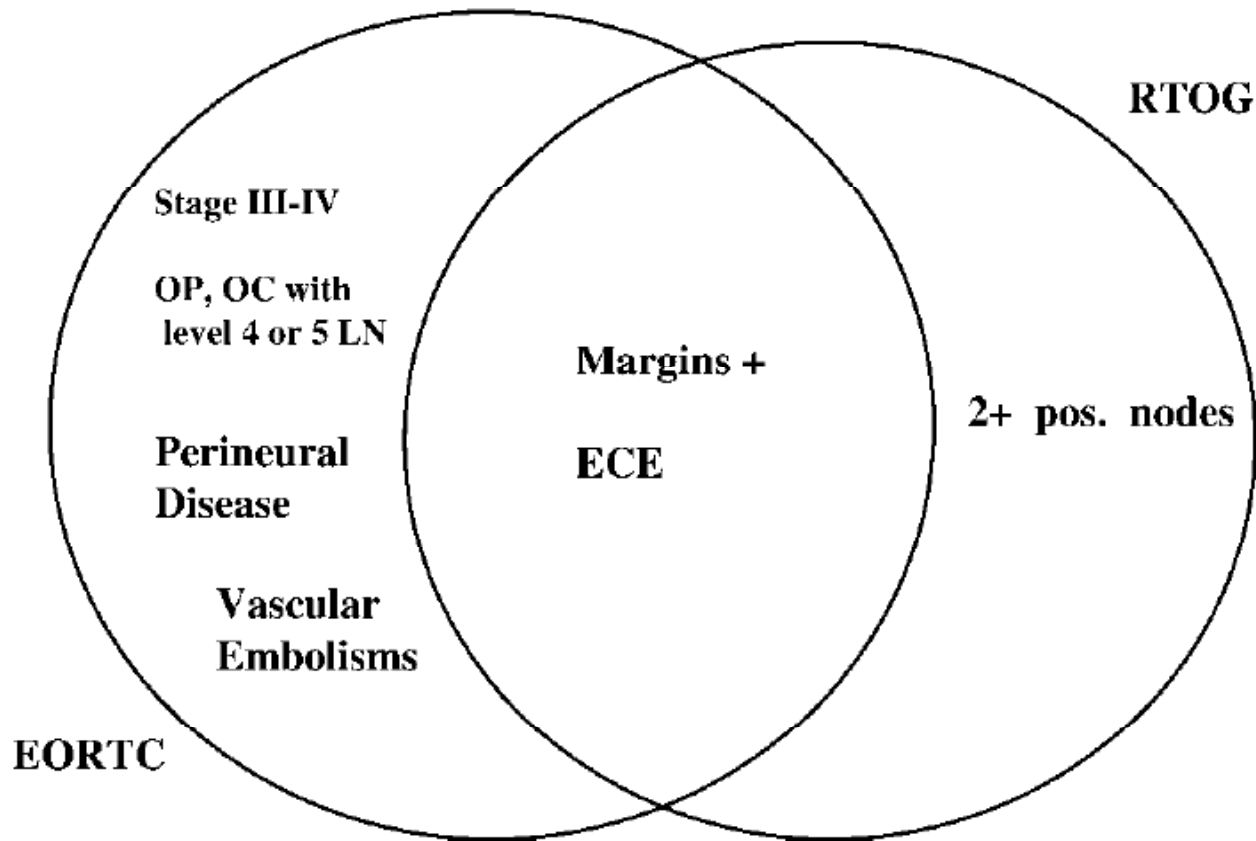
RTOG 9501 ECOG R9501 SWOG 9515

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Postoperative C-RT - results of two phase III trials

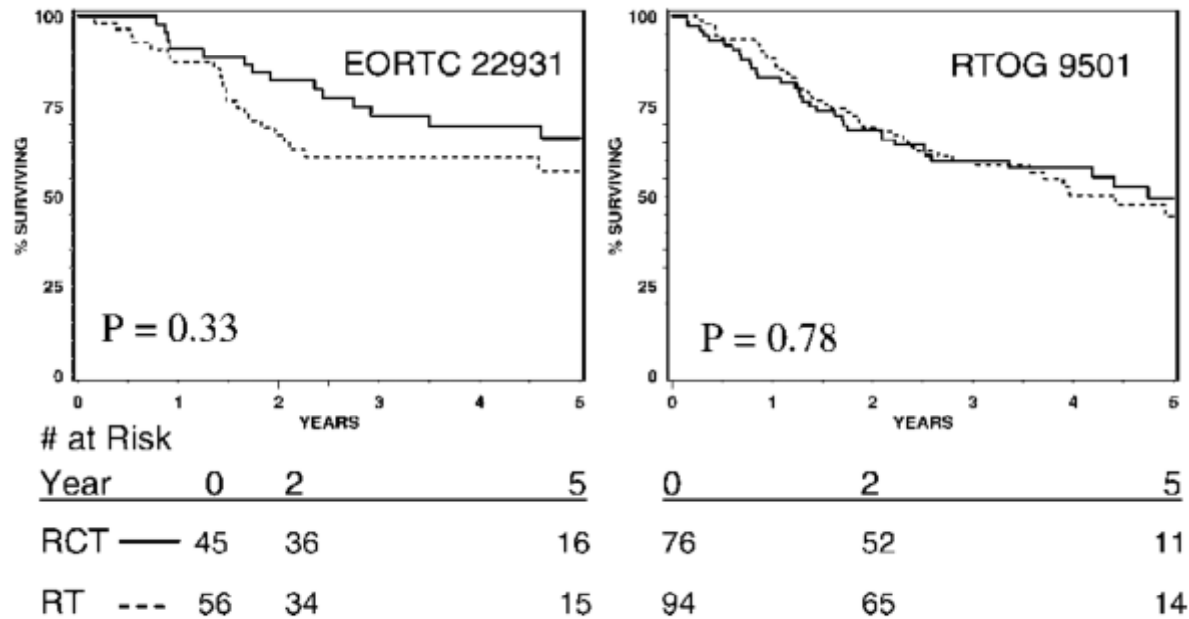
EORTC versus RTOG Eligibility



Postoperative C-RT - results of two phase III trials

Overall survival

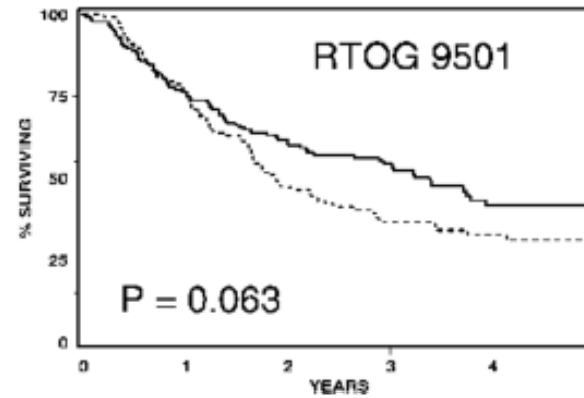
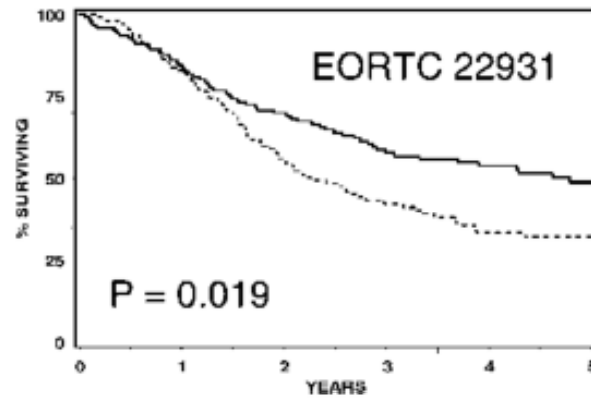
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Overall survival

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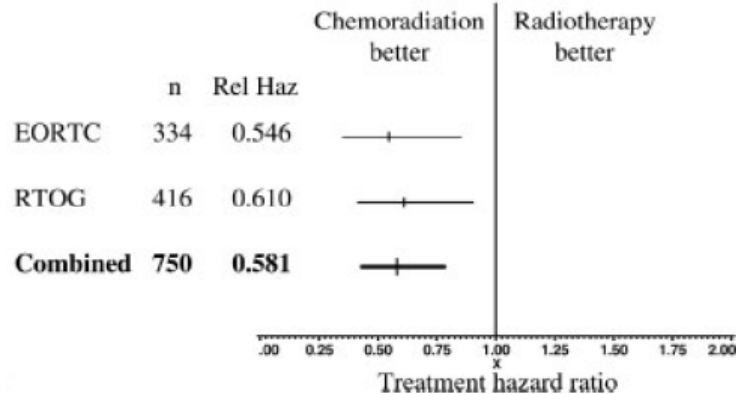
| # at Risk | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|--|
| Year | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 5 | |
| RCT — | 122 | 82 | 31 | 130 | 80 | 16 | |
| RT --- | 111 | 59 | 16 | 116 | 55 | 11 | |

Postoperative C-RT - results of two phase III trials

Treatment Hazard Ratios :

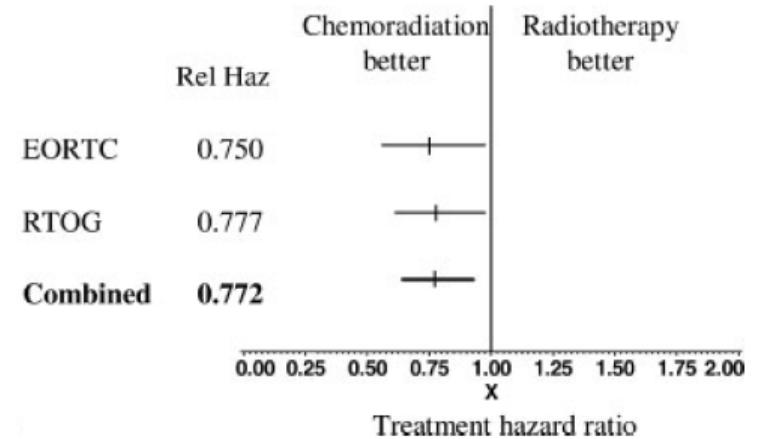
Local Control

All Patients



Treatment Hazard Ratios : Disease-free Survival

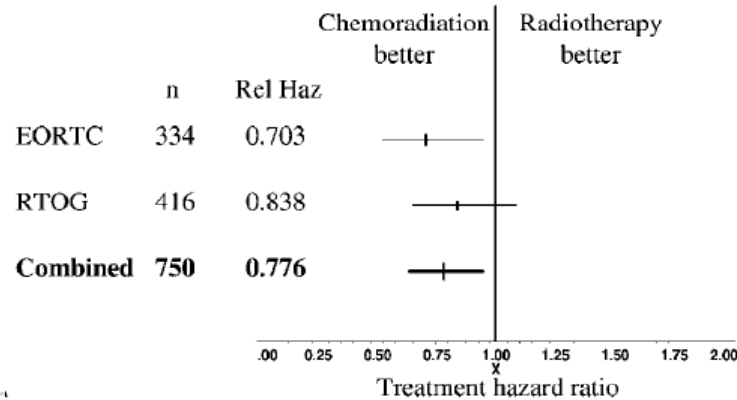
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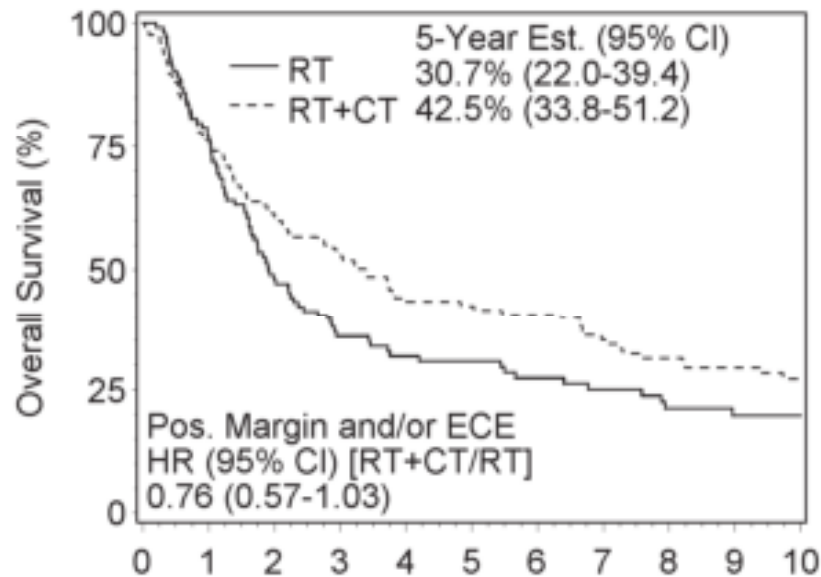
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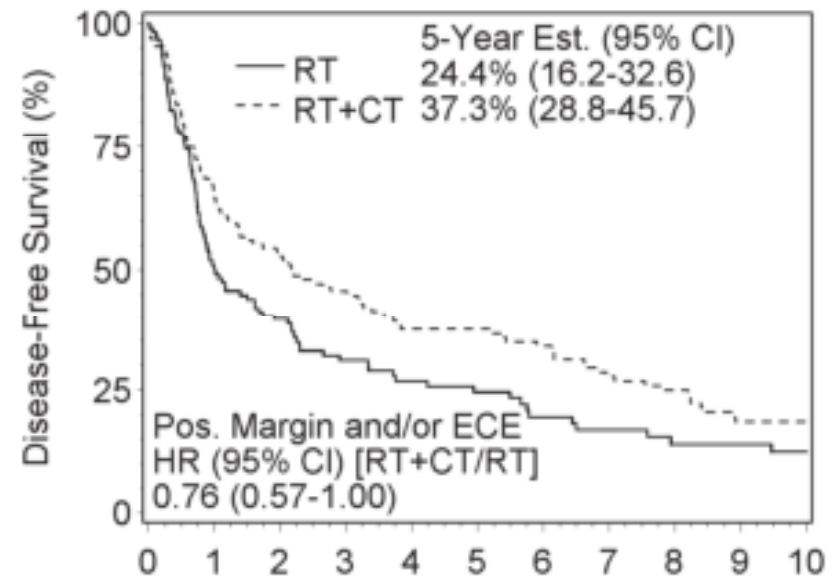
All Patients



Long time follow-up on the combined trials

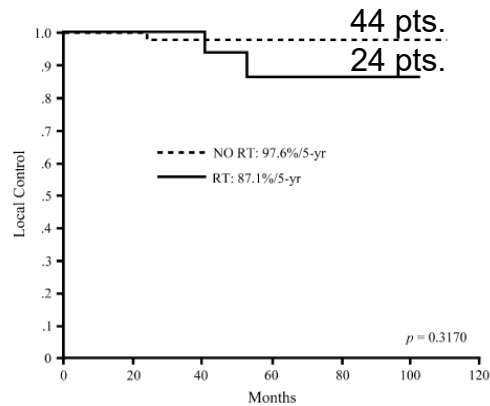
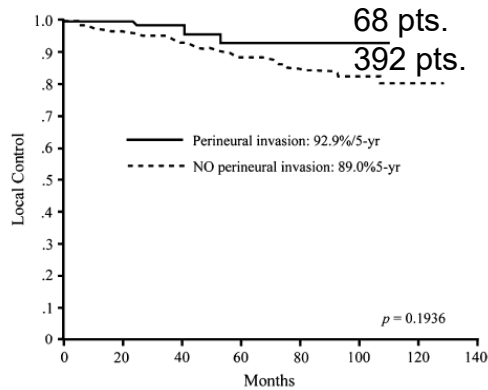


| | Patients at Risk | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | Years after Randomization | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| RT | 115 | 88 | 53 | 37 | 31 | 28 | 23 | 21 | 16 | 13 | 11 |
| RT+CT | 127 | 97 | 77 | 65 | 52 | 48 | 45 | 37 | 32 | 28 | 23 |



| | Patients at Risk | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
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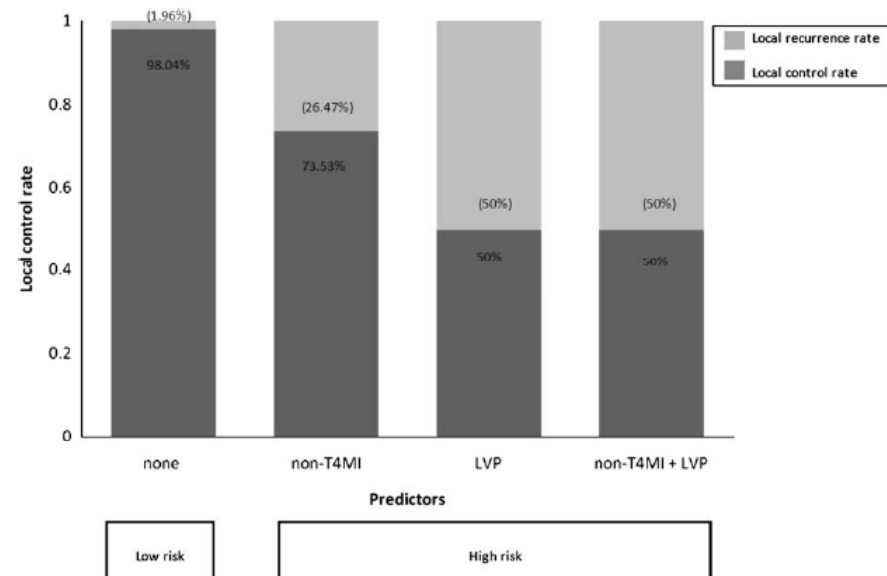
Perineural or lympho-vascular invasion



460 pts. T1-3N0 +/- perineural invasion

148 pts. with neg. surg. margins +/- lymphovascular invasion

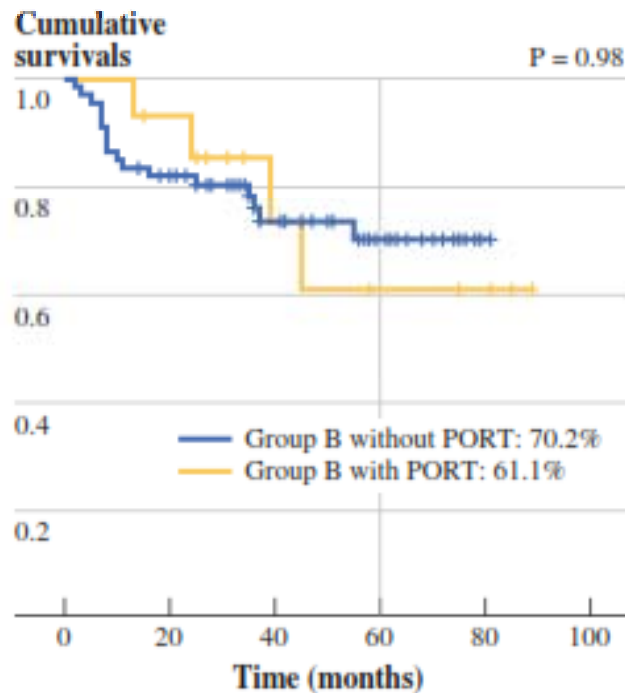
(T4MI = muscular invasion)



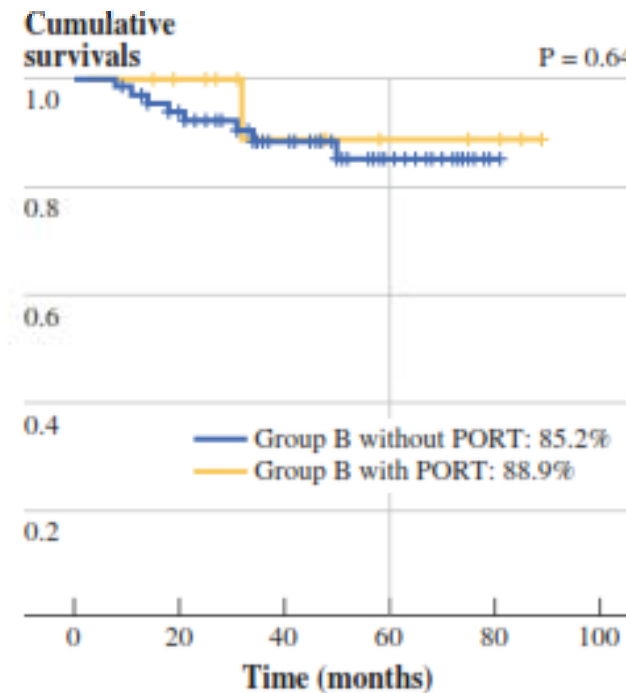
Perineural or lympho-vascular invasion

442 pts; 360 without PNI/LVI and 82 pts. with PNI and/or LVI
T1-II oral cancer

DFS

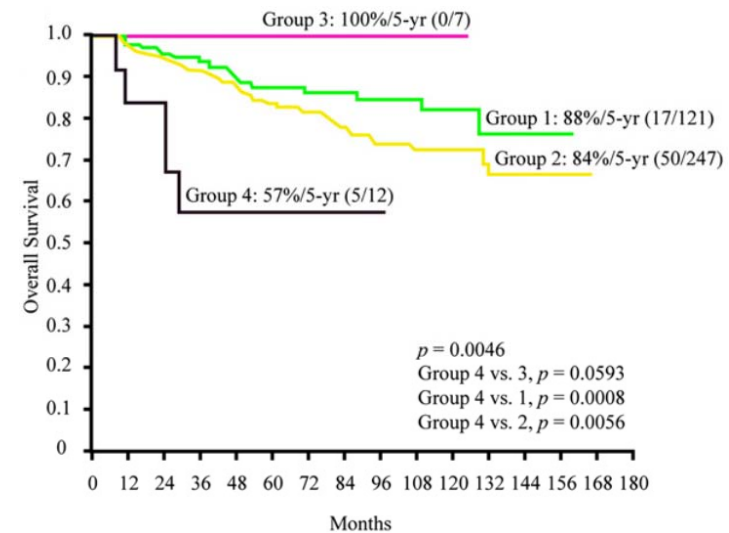
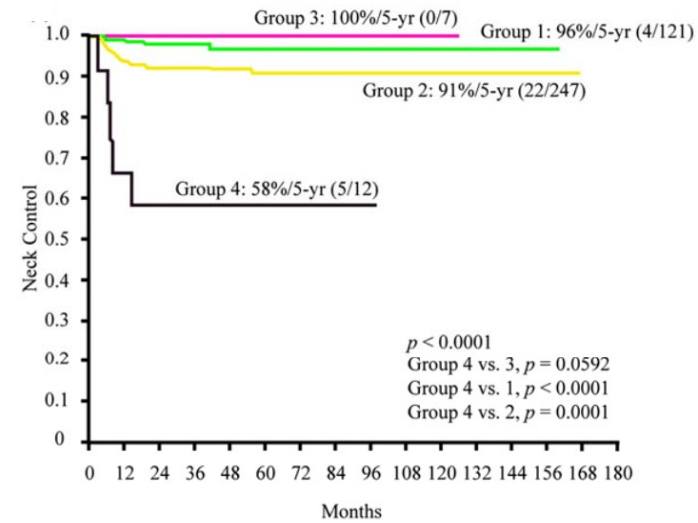


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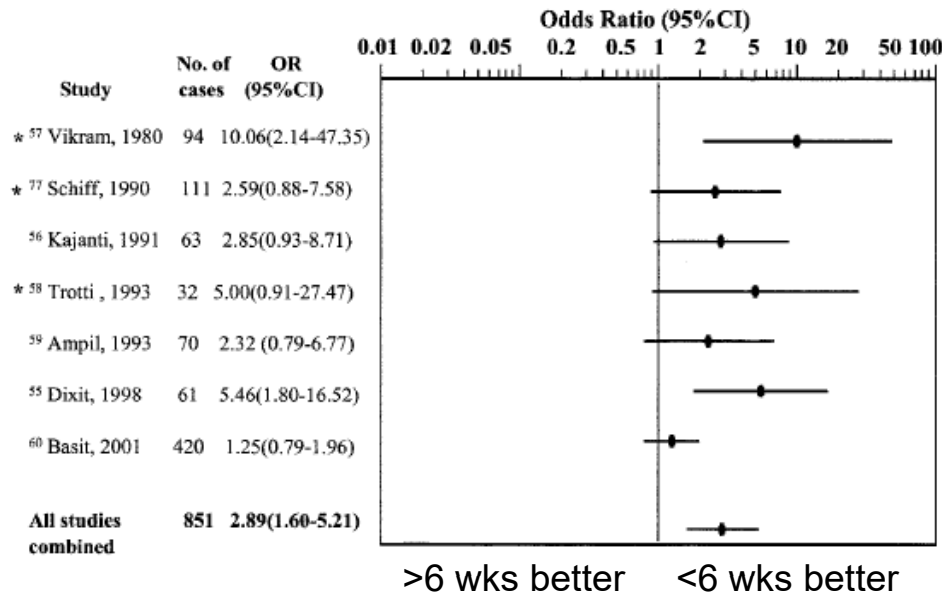
Depth of invasion

- 457 consecutive pts with OCC
- One institution 1996-2008
- pT1-2N0M0
- stratified pts according to
 - histopathology
 - depth ≥ 4 mm
 - lympho-vascular invasion



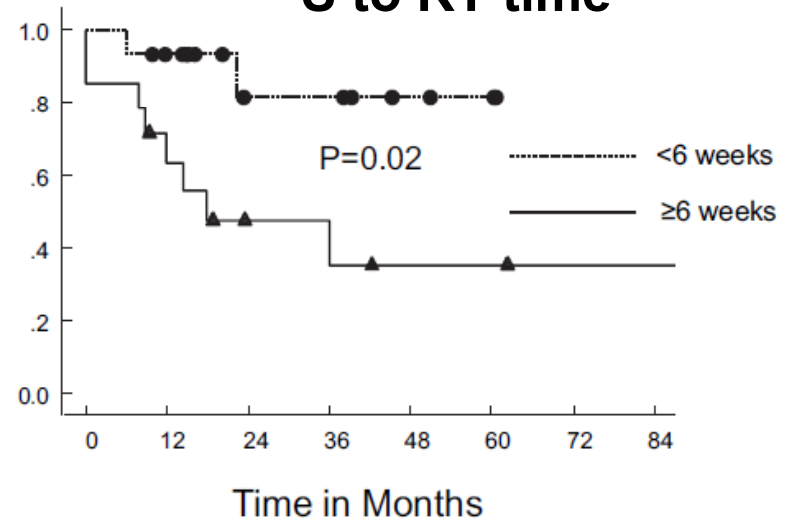
Time from surgery to PORT

“6 weeks limit”



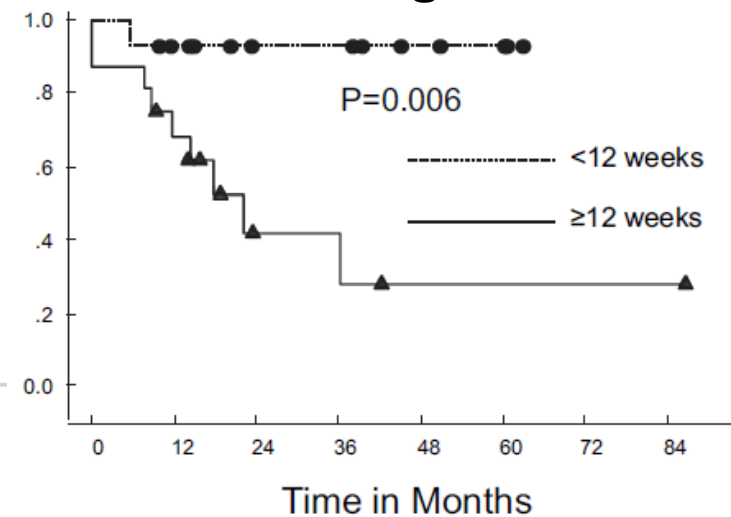
Overall OR: 2.9

S to RT time

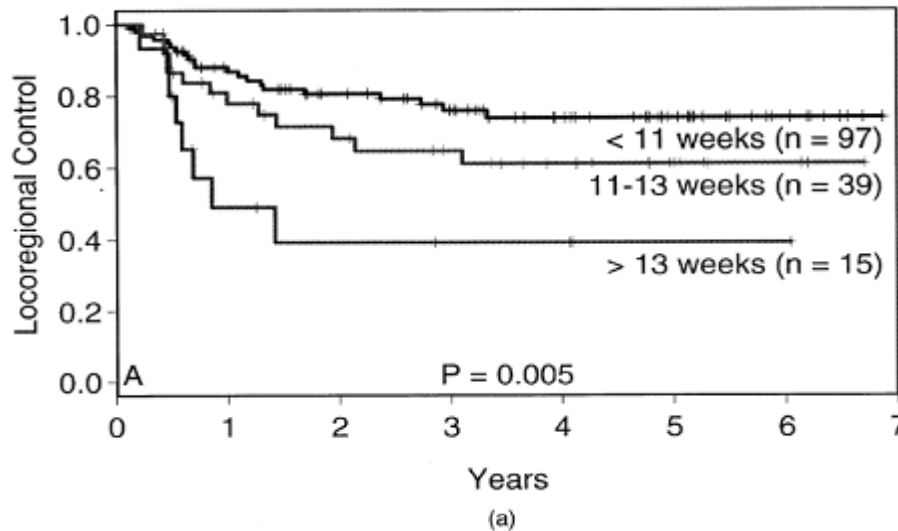


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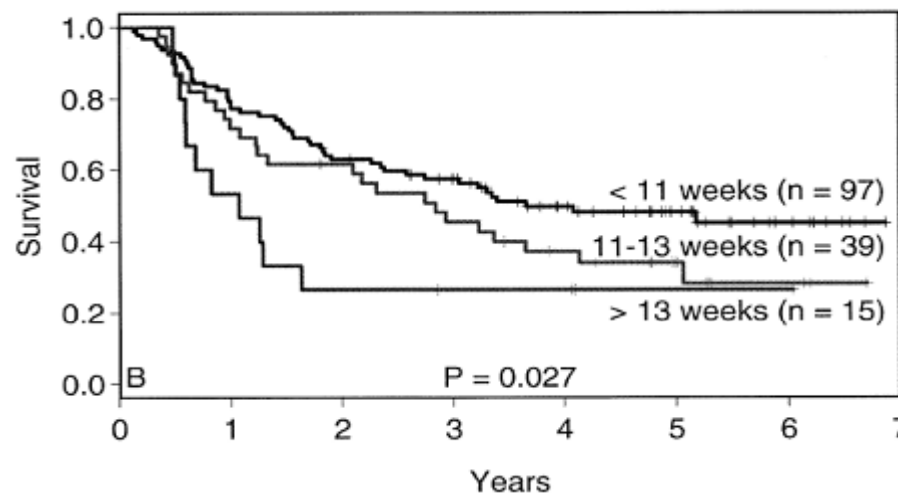
Package time



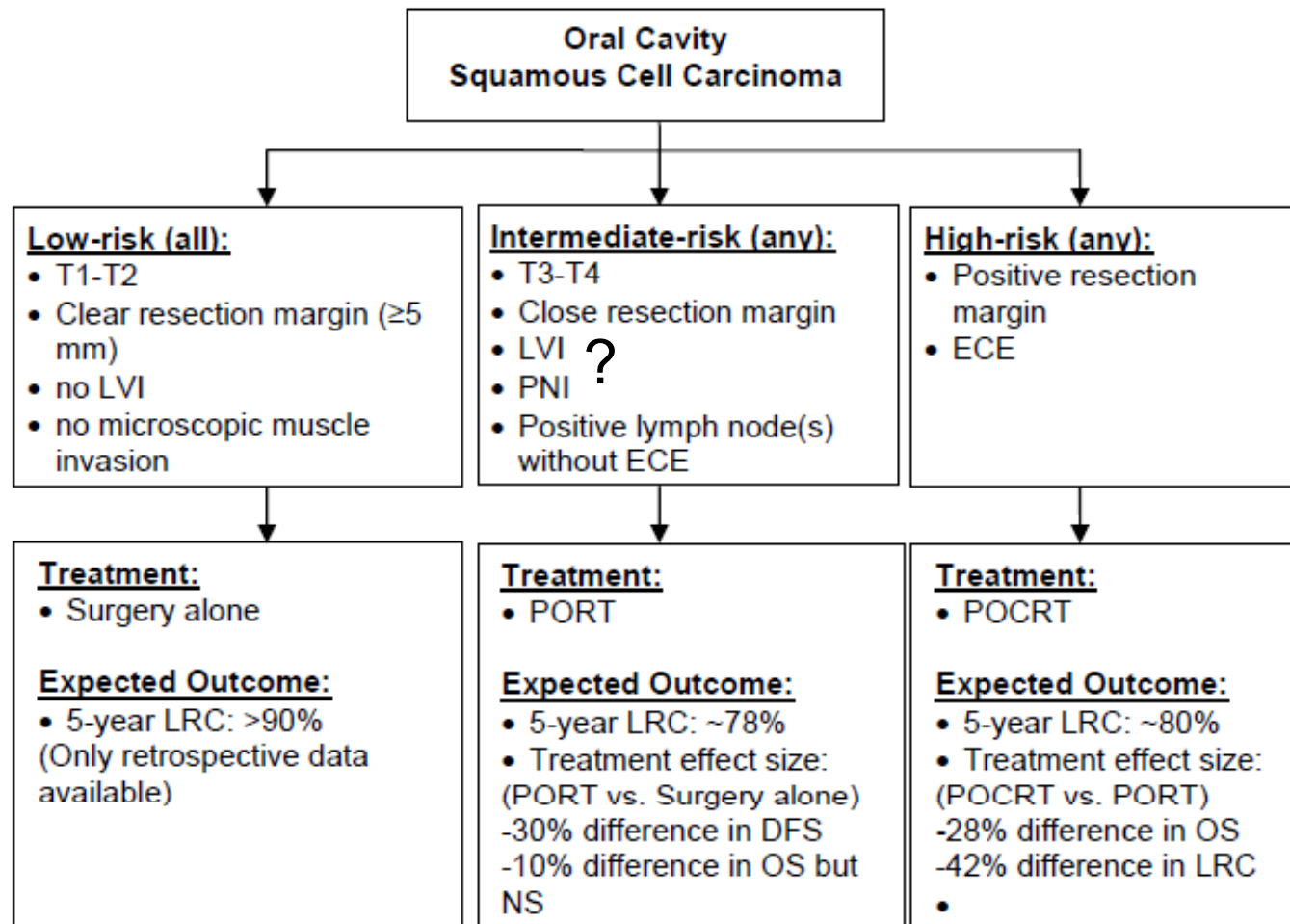
Total time from surgery to end of PORT



Post-hoc analysis
randomized trial
N=213

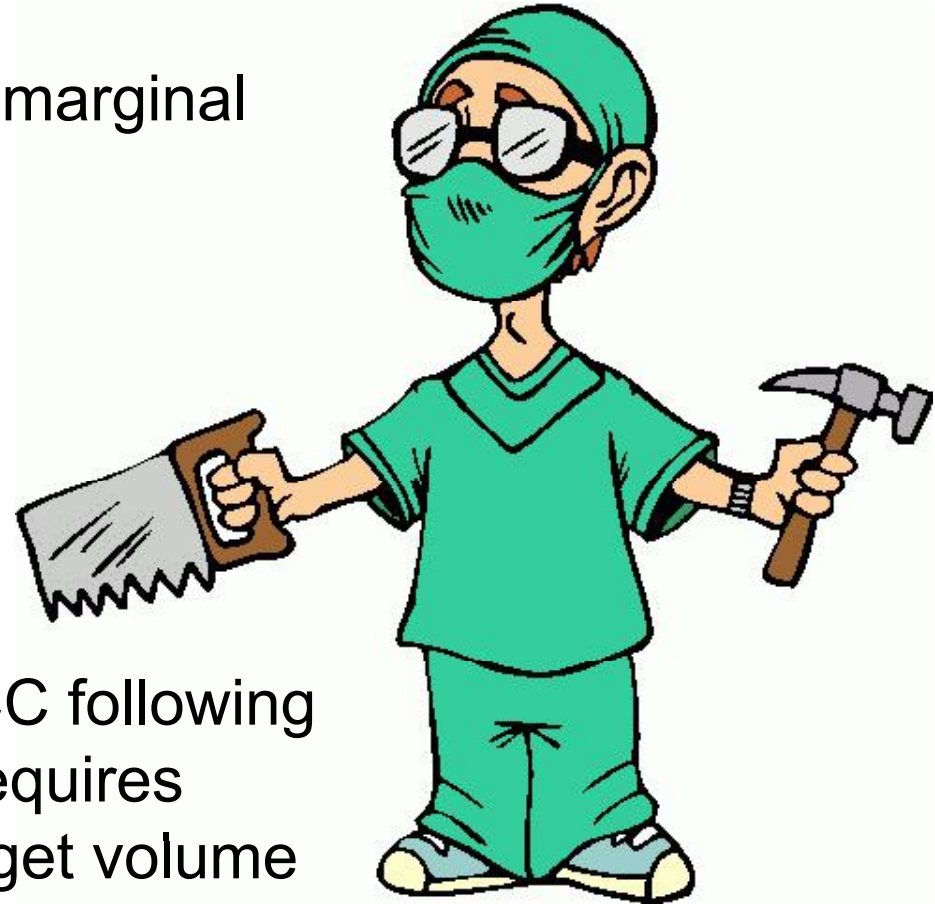


Postoperative RT of oral cavity cancer



Have you talked to your surgeon today?

12 of 38 LR recurrences were marginal or out-of-field following PORT



“Postoperative IMRT for OCSCC following gross total surgical resection requires careful and comprehensive target volume delineation”

DAHANCA RT guidelines in English: Go to dahanca.oncology.com; go to “Til fagfolk”, click on guidelines and find the document: “DAHANCA Radiotherapy Guidelines 2013 (version 2.0)”

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the DAHANCA website. The address bar shows <https://www.dahanca.oncology.dk/IndexPath>. The navigation menu is open, showing options: Dahanca, Til fagfolk, Organisation, Links, Bliv bruger, and Login. The 'Til fagfolk' dropdown menu is expanded, listing: Guidelines, Protokol, Forms, Publications, and DATHYRCA. The main content area features the title 'Danish Head and Neck Cancer Group' and a circular logo. Below the title, there is a section for 'Næste DAHANCA møde 2-3 september - 40 års jubilæumsmøde (i trekantsområdet)'. Other links include 'Nationale retningslinjer for mundhulekræft 2016', 'Opfølgningsprogram for Hoved- og Halskræft, februar 2015', 'Nationale retningslinjer for thyroideacancer 2016', 'Årsrapport 2014 (Dahanca - RKKP)', 'DAHANCA 32', and 'DAHANCA 31'. On the right side, there are buttons for 'Tilmelding til DAHANCA Mail-liste' and 'Download Google chrome'. The bottom of the browser shows the Windows taskbar with various application icons and the system tray displaying the time as 10:15 on 28-06-2016.

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Subdivision of the Oropharynx

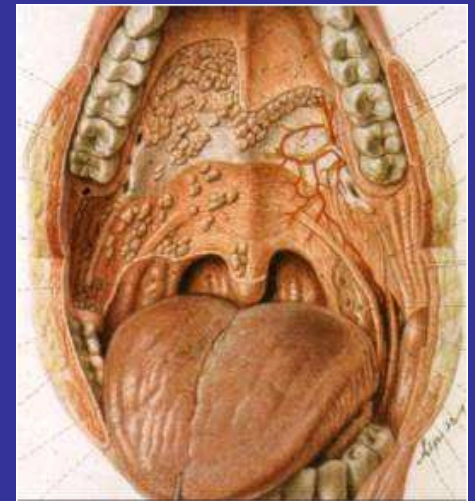


Soft palate

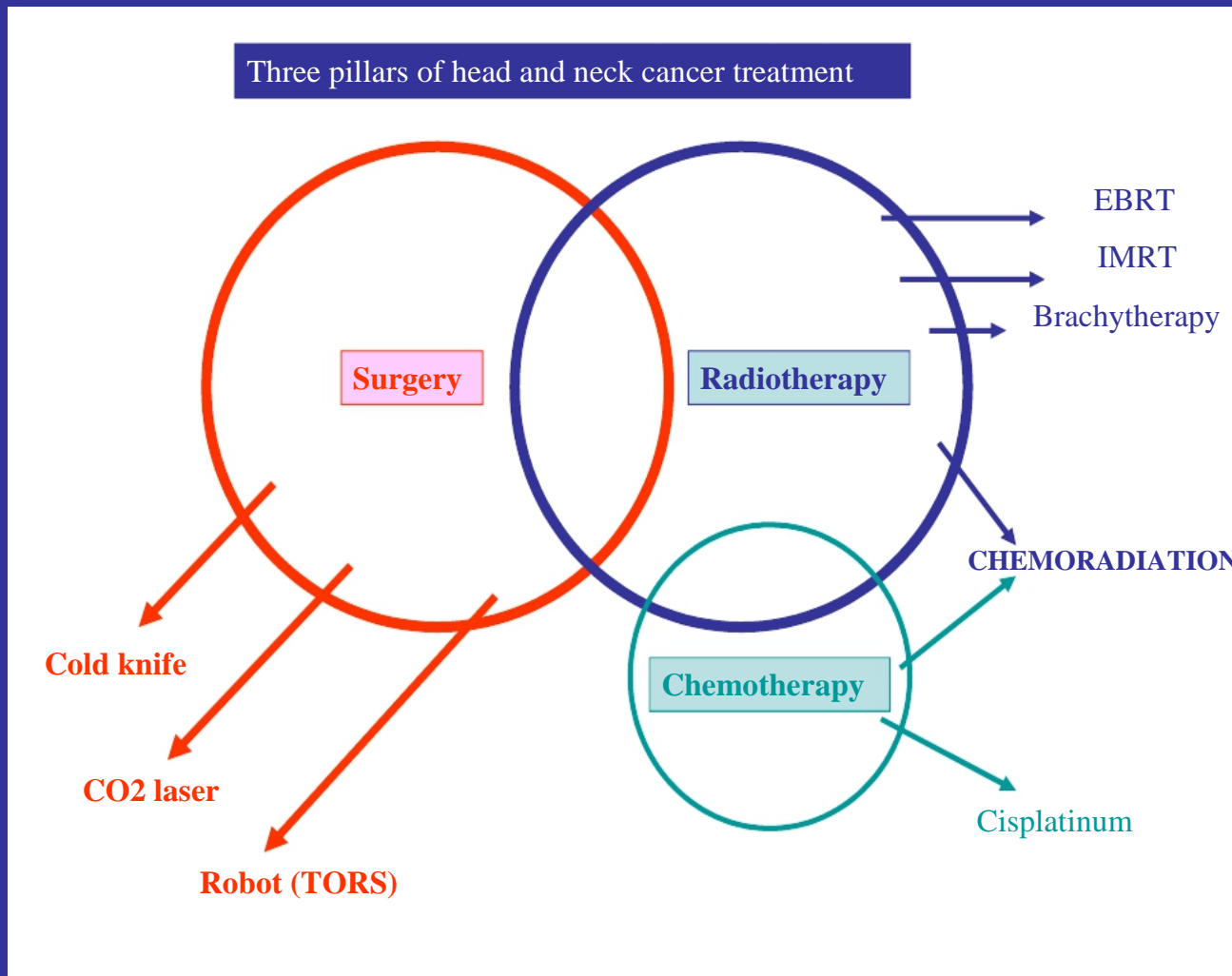
Tonsillar Fossae

Base-of-Tongue

Posterior Wall



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Early T-staged SCC: Surgery is Preferred Modality ?

- High cure rates
- Morbidity of small resections, combined with W&S for the neck or SND, is limited
- Possibility to avoid RT in many cases
- Leaves other options open



Surgical vs Non-surgical management of T1-2 Oropharynx carcinoma

- 5 yrs DSS after surgery **81-100%** (+/- RT)
after primary RT **77- 89%**
- Surgical treatment allows accurate staging and avoidance of RT for patients with clear margins



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| | Surgery + PORT Mean (95% CI) | Chemoradiotherapy Mean (95% CI) | P-value |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| Pain | 9.0 (3.2–14.7) | 10.7 (4.8–16.7) | 0.810 |
| Swallowing | 36.2 (24.1–48.3) | 19.3 (11.3–27.4) | 0.042 |
| Senses | 25.6 (14.7–36.6) | 22.0 (13.5–30.6) | 0.715 |
| Speech | 30.3 (18.6–42.0) | 16.8 (10.8–22.7) | 0.056 |
| Social eating | 26.6 (16.1–37.1) | 14.0 (7.2–20.7) | 0.038 |
| Social contact | 14.9 (5.4–24.3) | 4.7 (0.89–10.3) | 0.002 |
| Sexuality | 23.7 (9.7–37.7) | 15.6 (5.5–25.7) | 0.462 |
| Teeth | 20.5 (8.4–32.6) | 39.8 (27.4–52.2) | 0.049 |
| Open mouth | 14.1 (5.4–22.8) | 32.2 (19.8–44.7) | 0.036 |
| Dry mouth | 38.5 (24.9–52.0) | 58.1 (47.6–68.5) | 0.022 |
| Sticky saliva | 35.9 (21.7–50.1) | 52.7 (41.4–64.0) | 0.044 |
| Coughing | 15.4 (3.8–26.9) | 24.7 (13.8–35.6) | 0.123 |
| Felt ill | 6.4 (2.9–15.7) | 0.0 (0.0–0.0) | 0.119 |
| Painkillers | 38.5 (18.4–58.5) | 19.3 (4.6–34.1) | 0.113 |
| Nutritional supplements | 23.1 (5.7–40.4) | 22.6 (7.0–38.2) | 0.965 |
| Feeding tube | 3.8 (0.1–11.8) | 6.4 (2.7–15.6) | 0.664 |
| Weight loss | 23.1 (5.7–40.4) | 16.1 (2.4–29.8) | 0.512 |
| Weight gain | 11.5 (1.6–24.7) | 25.8 (9.5–42.1) | 0.178 |

| | Surgery + PORT Mean (95% CI) | Chemoradiotherapy Mean (95% CI) | P-value |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| Physical functioning | 79.2 (70.9–87.5) | 87.7 (80.7–94.8) | 0.043 |
| Role functioning | 85.2 (74.9–95.6) | 91.0 (83.8–98.1) | 0.357 |
| Social functioning | 84.6 (74.2–95.0) | 93.5 (86.4–100.0) | 0.036 |
| Emotional functioning | 76.2 (66.0–86.3) | 84.7 (78.0–91.4) | 0.210 |
| Cognitive functioning | 85.9 (77.2–94.6) | 90.3 (84.2–96.4) | 0.392 |
| Global QoL | 68.6 (60.11–77.0) | 79.8 (72.8.9–86.9) | 0.027 |
| Fatigue | 22.9 (13.9–31.9) | 12.9 (5.9–19.8) | 0.047 |
| Nausea and vomiting | 6.4 (0.7–13.5) | 2.1 (1.3–5.6) | 0.152 |
| Pain | 21.8 (12.3–31.3) | 8.6 (3.6–13.6) | 0.027 |
| Dyspnea | 10.3 (1.9–18.6) | 14.0 (6.4–21.6) | 0.368 |
| Sleep disturbance | 9.0 (2.9–15.1) | 10.7 (1.6–19.9) | 0.661 |
| Appetite loss | 12.8 (3.4–22.2) | 11.8 (5.1–18.6) | 0.842 |
| Diarrhea | 5.1 (1.1–11.4) | 2.1 (0.9–5.2) | 0.482 |
| Constipation | 16.7 (5.7–27.6) | 14.0 (4.6–23.3) | 0.660 |
| Financial impact | 15.4 (5.1–25.6) | 14.0 (4.1–23.8) | 0.598 |

- Surgical patients more problems with swallowing, social eating and social contacts.
- CCRT greater problems with teeth, dry mouth and sticky saliva



Surgery versus RT for T1-2N0-1

Con Surgery

- Morbidity of composite resection
- SND / RT for neck

Pro Surgery

- Morbidity is limited if surgery is transorally (TORS/CO2)
- SND gives pathology of neck
- Possible to withhold RT in about 50% or decrease dosage
- Keep RT for unfavorable cases and second primaries/recurrences

Pro -RT

- Mostly single modality
- Easy elective neck treatment
- **Con RT/CRT**
 - Once a lifetime
 - Costs / duration
 - Salvage surgery has poor results
 - Long term toxicity
 - CVA (5-7x)
 - Fibrosis/xerostomia/ nerve dysfunctioning



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Resection?

- Cold knife
- CO2 laser
- TORS



Functional and Oncologic Results following Transoral Laser Microsurgical Excision of Base of Tongue Carcinoma

- Retrospective evaluation of long-term results after transoral laser surgical resection
- Histologically identified carcinomas of the base of tongue, considered as resectable by laser surgery
- Resectability was defined depending on the tumor size and especially on the exposition
- No metastases



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Functional and Oncologic Results following Transoral Laser Microsurgical Excision of Base of Tongue Carcinoma

- Evaluation time of 10 years
- 71 patients were treated transorally by laser microsurgery
- Intraoperative examination until resection margins were tumor-free
- Neck dissection at the time of laser surgery



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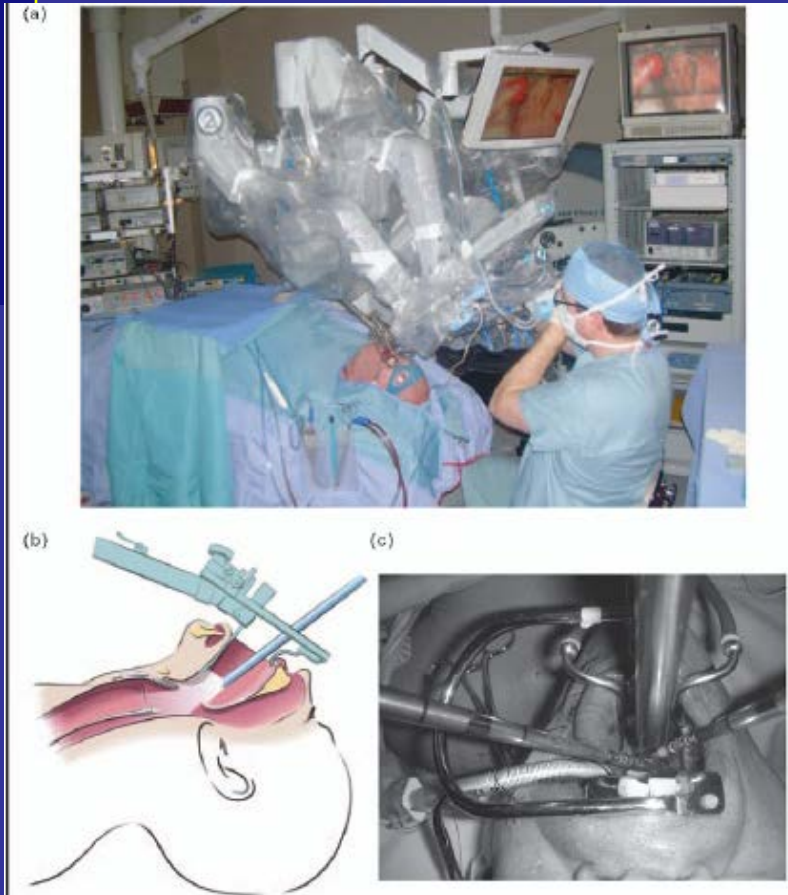
Functional and Oncologic Results following Transoral Laser Microsurgical Excision of Base of Tongue Carcinoma

- Adjuvant (C)RT in majority of cases
- Follow-up of 24 months
- Survival rate of 94%
- Locoregional recurrences were observed in 10% of the cases
- Excellent results in the context of other studies



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Trans Oral Robotic Surgery



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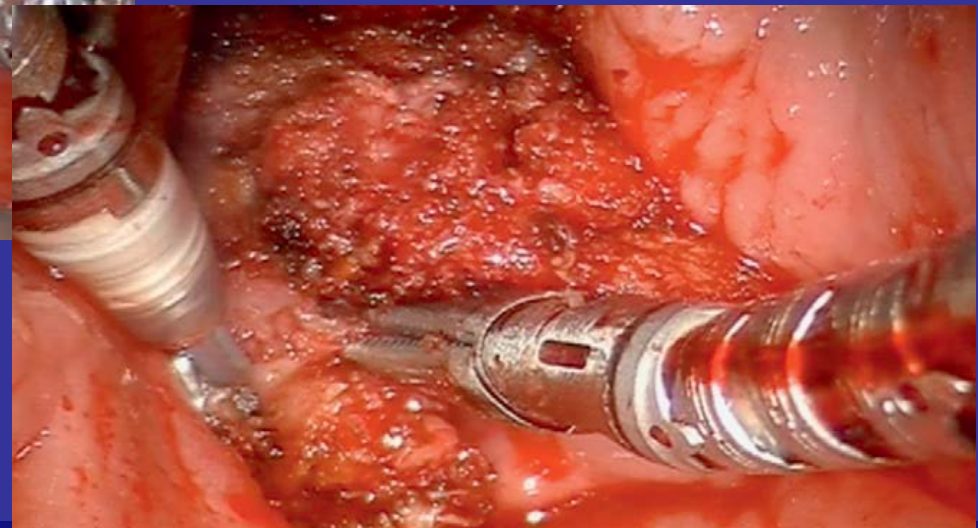
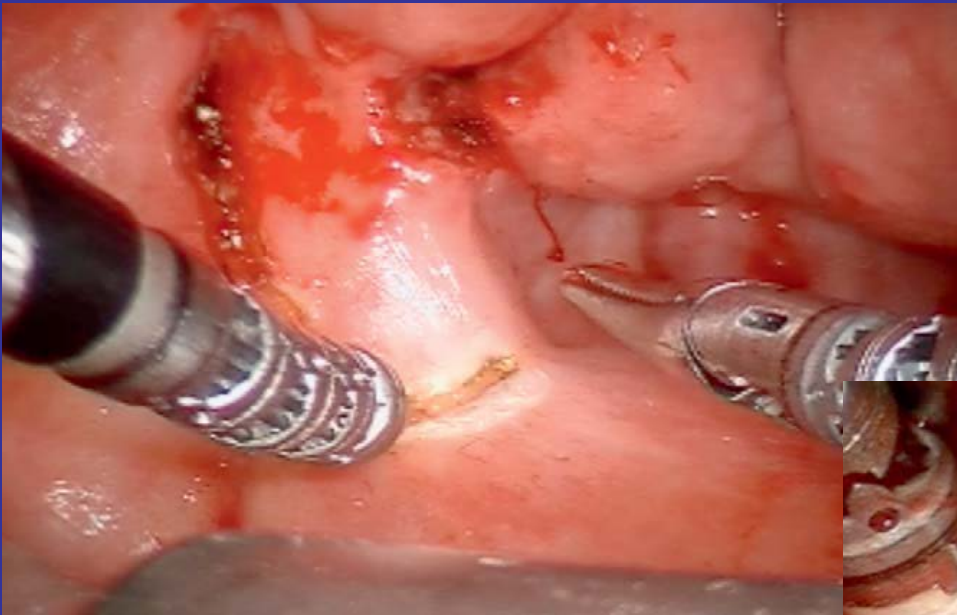


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TORS BOT Resection (G. Peretti)



Functional Outcome after TORS

- 9% temporary tracheostomy
- 83% oral intake within 14 days
- Good functional postoperative results regarding the function of respiration and swallowing indicate that TORS is developing into an alternative to current therapeutic options



Issues with TORS

- **Is it possible to reduce the rate of R1-resections with TORS**
- **Value of volume reduction before CRT**
- **Cannot influence N-status**
- **Cost**



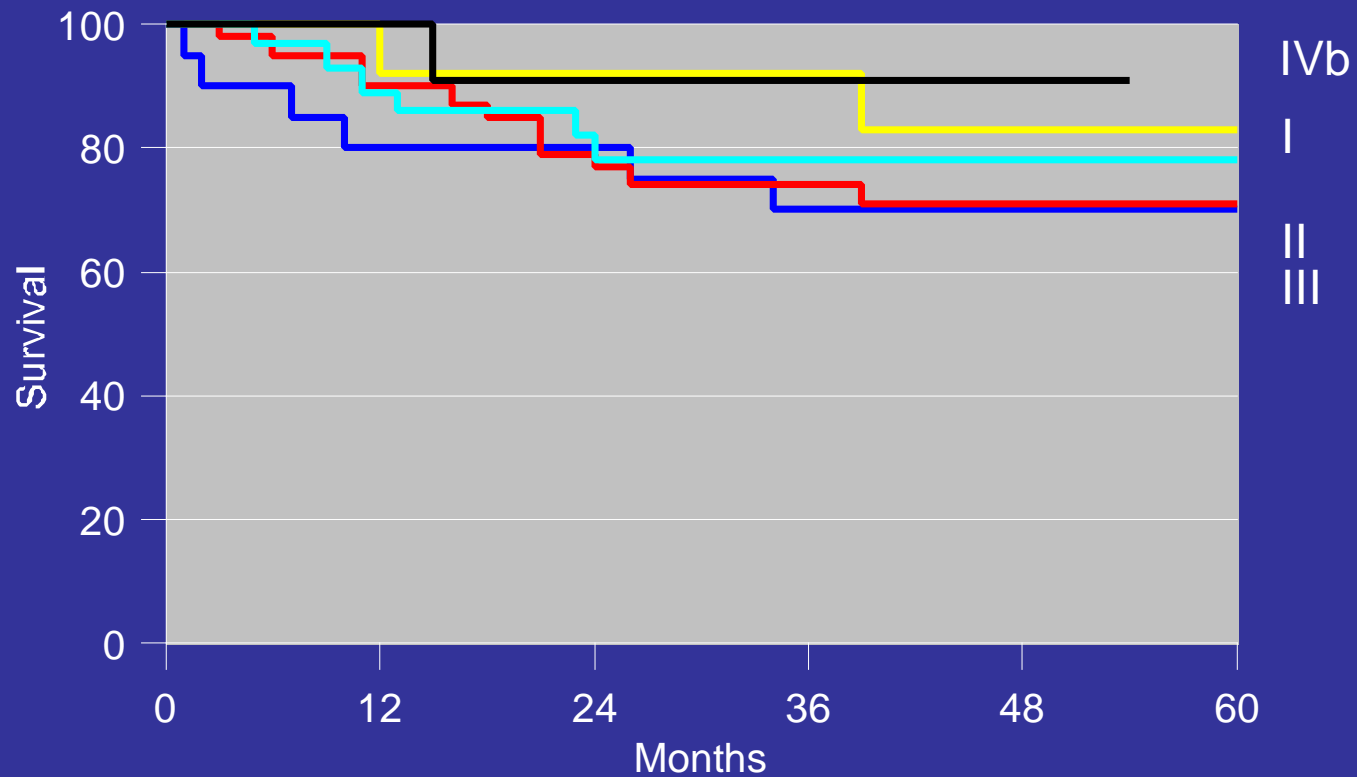
Evolution of Management of Advanced Cancers

- **Movement towards surgery in early 20th century**
- **Primary radiotherapy in 1960-70s**
- **Renewed interest in surgery in 1980-90s**
- **Recent interest in non-surgical modalities in 2000-10s**



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Loco-regional Control Tonsillar Carcinoma 1975-1993 n=221



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Loco-regional Control Tonsillar Carcinoma

| | <i>S +/- RT (VUmc 2001; n=118)</i> | <i>RT +/- S (UFCM 2000; n=400)</i> |
|------------------|--|--|
| Stage I | 83% | 63% |
| Stage II | 70% | 73% |
| Stage III | 71% | 85% |
| Stage IVa | 78% | 65% |
| Stage IVb | 90% | 52% |
| Overall | 74% | 70% |



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Quality-of-life

| | Pretreatment | 6 months | 12 months | Significance | |
|---|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Mean | Mean | Mean | <i>P</i> _{P-6} | <i>P</i> ₆₋₁₂ |
| <i>EORTC QLQ-C30</i> | | | | | |
| Functioning scales ^a | | | | | |
| Physical functioning | 87.7 | 80.5 | 85.9 | 0.005 | 0.044 |
| Role functioning | 79.5 | 75.4 | 84.8 | .237 | 0.005 |
| Cognitive functioning | 85.6 | 84.1 | 87.9 | .685 | 0.262 |
| Emotional functioning | 70.3 | 86.0 | 84.7 | 0.000 | 0.602 |
| Social functioning | 89.0 | 86.7 | 90.2 | 0.486 | 0.297 |
| Global quality of life | 75.9 | 76.3 | 80.7 | 0.903 | 0.064 |
| <i>Symptom scales or single items^b</i> | | | | | |
| Fatigue | 24.7 | 23.0 | 18.9 | 0.616 | 0.136 |
| Emesis | 1.9 | 5.3 | 2.7 | 0.071 | 0.197 |
| Pain | 29.2 | 10.6 | 12.1 | 0.000 | 0.652 |
| Dyspnea | 10.6 | 12.1 | 7.6 | 0.710 | 0.160 |
| Insomnia | 36.4 | 23.5 | 17.4 | 0.055 | 0.221 |
| Appetite loss | 12.1 | 13.6 | 10.6 | 0.772 | 0.210 |
| Constipation | 13.6 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 0.046 | 1.00 |
| Diarrhea | 6.8 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 0.599 | 1.00 |
| Financial impact | 7.6 | 17.8 | 15.2 | 0.036 | 0.583 |

Borggreven PA *et al.* Head Neck 2005;27:785-93,
 Oral Oncol 2007;43:1034-42, Head Neck 2007;29:638-47



Transition

- Around turn of the century
- **The switch to from surgery to chemoradiation was non RCT-based**
- Never compared to surgery
- Improved protocols
- Parallel to changing epidemiology



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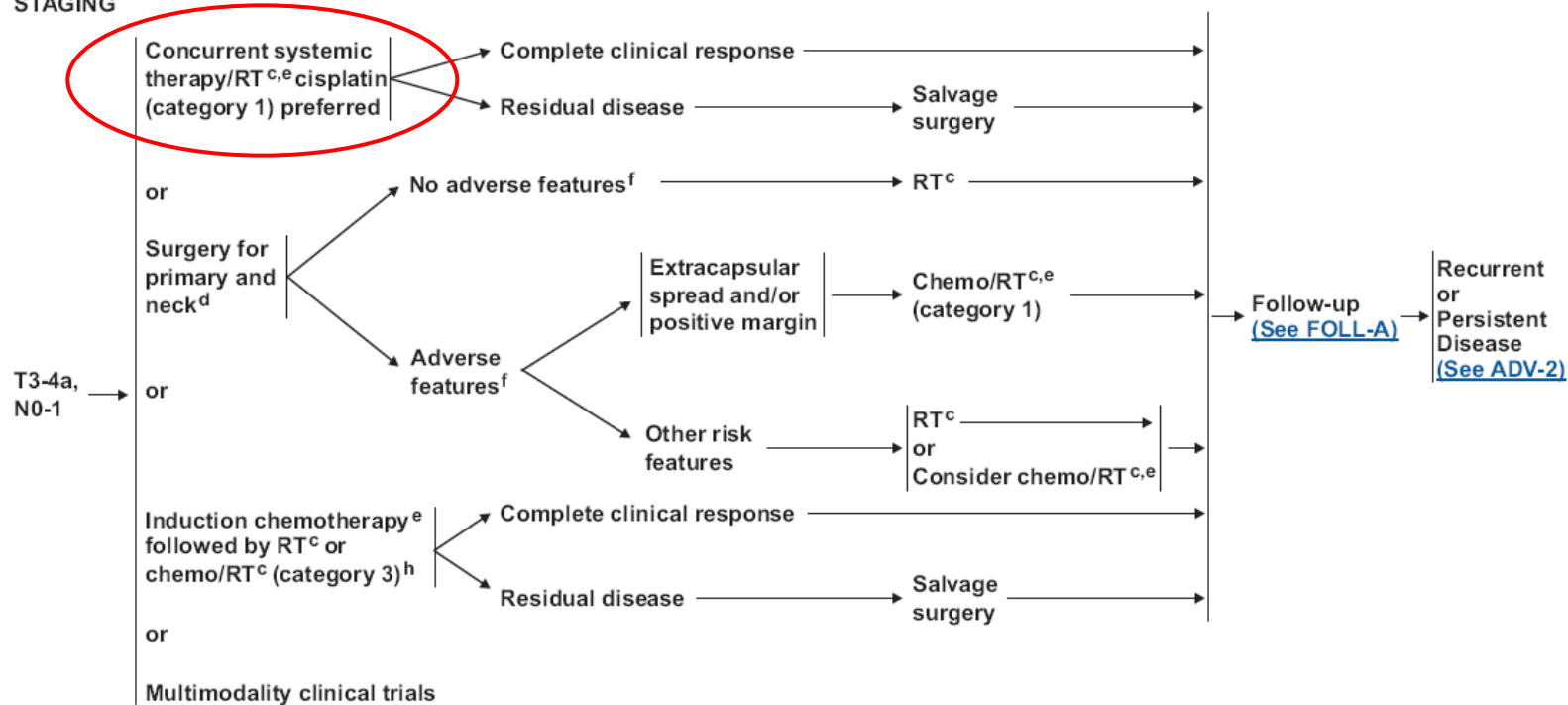
NCCN Guidelines™ Version 2.2011 Cancer of the Oropharynx

Base of tongue/tonsil/posterior pharyngeal wall/soft palate

CLINICAL
STAGING

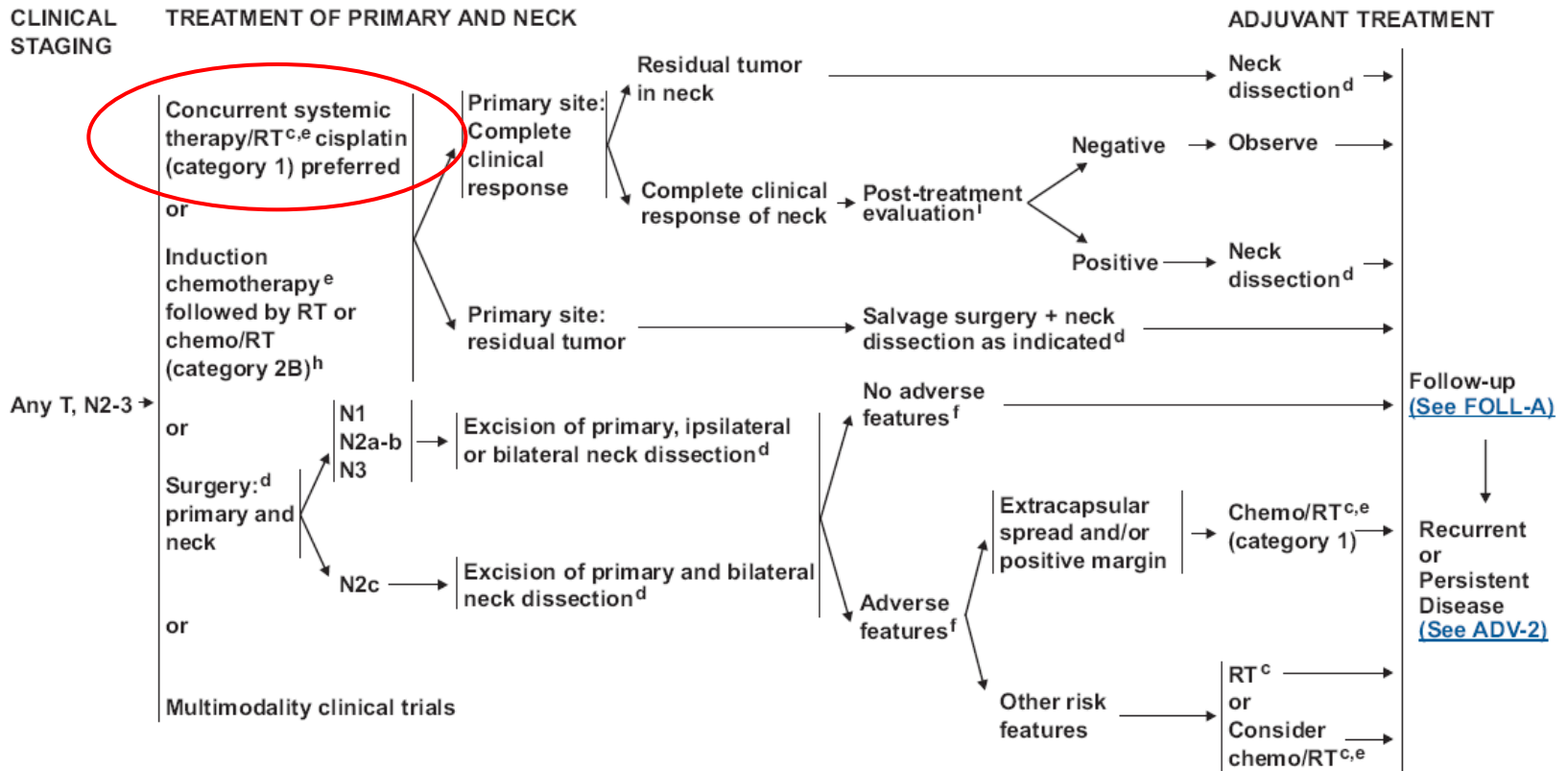
TREATMENT OF PRIMARY AND NECK

ADJUVANT TREATMENT



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Base of tongue/tonsil/posterior pharyngeal wall/soft palate



Open Surgery

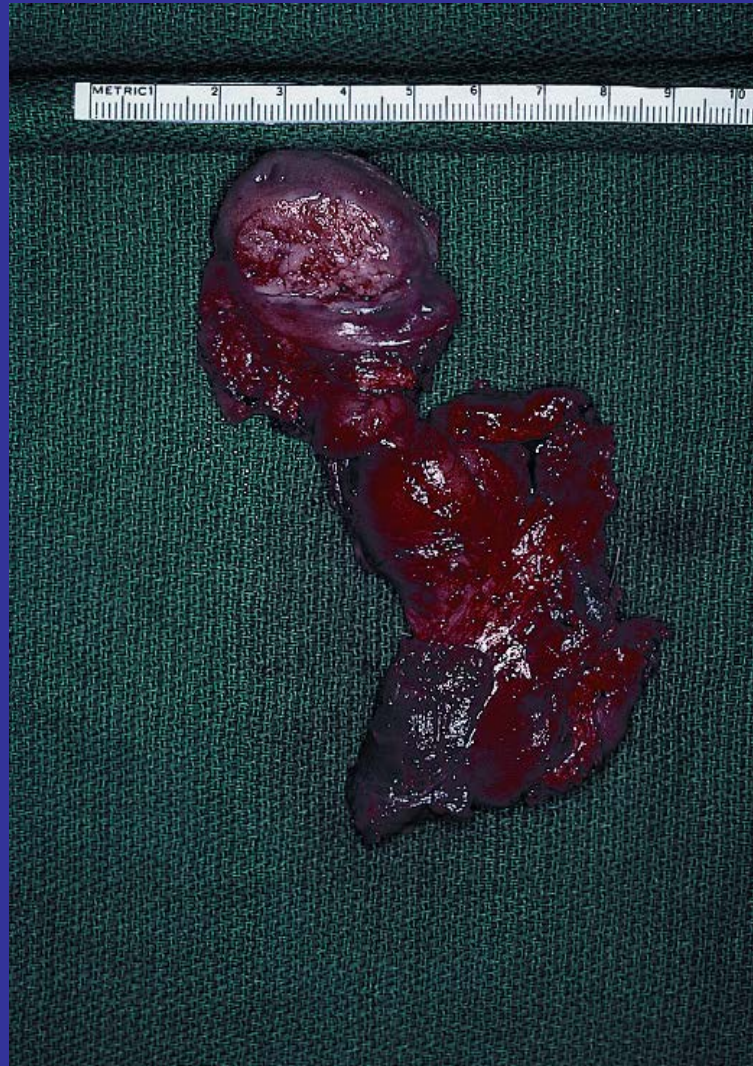
- Surgical Approach:
 - Suprahyoid pharyngotomy
 - Lateral pharyngotomy
 - Mandibular lingual release
 - mandibulotomy
- Neck dissection
- Reconstruction
 - Local/regional/free flap



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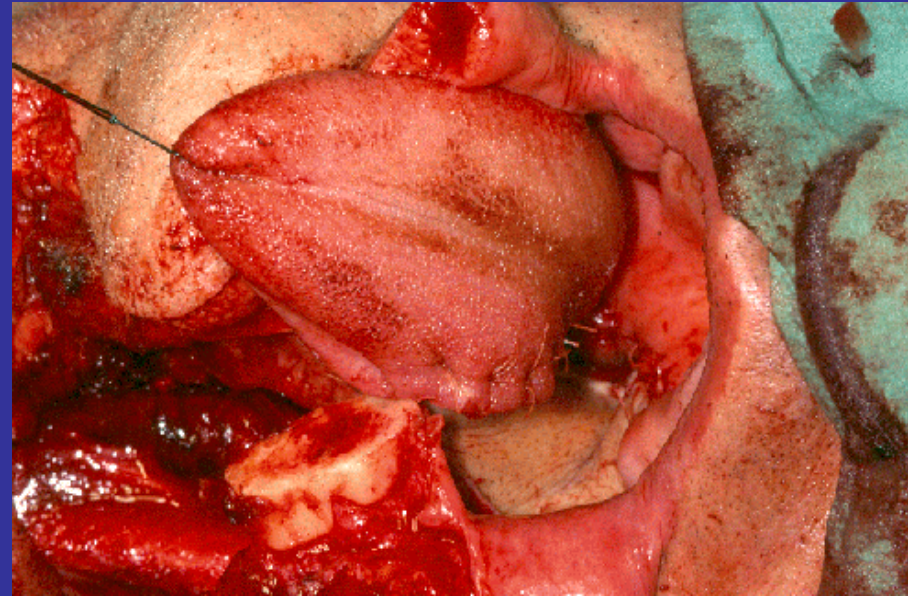
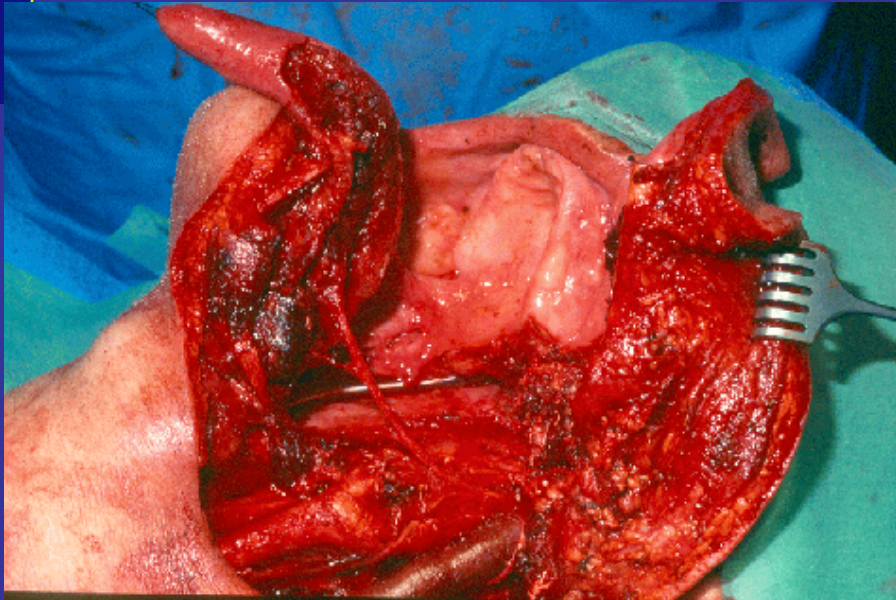


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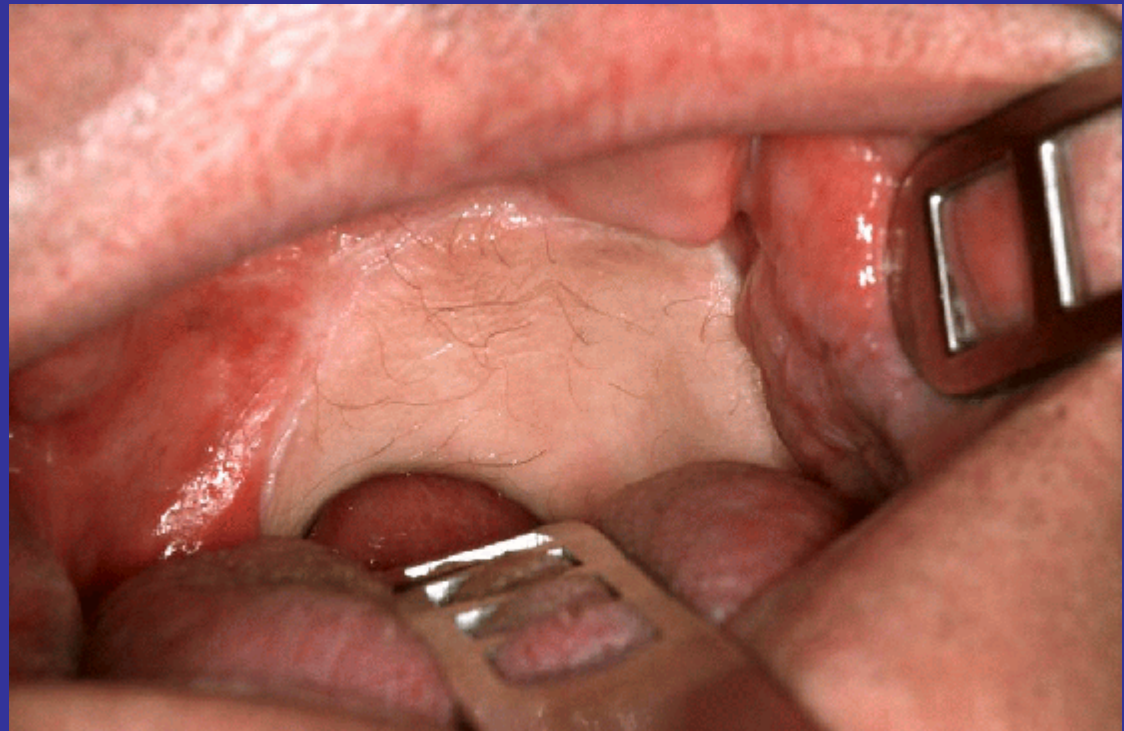
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Excision and Reconstruction Tonsillar Carcinoma



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Reconstruction of Soft Palate + Lateral Oropharynx (RFFF)



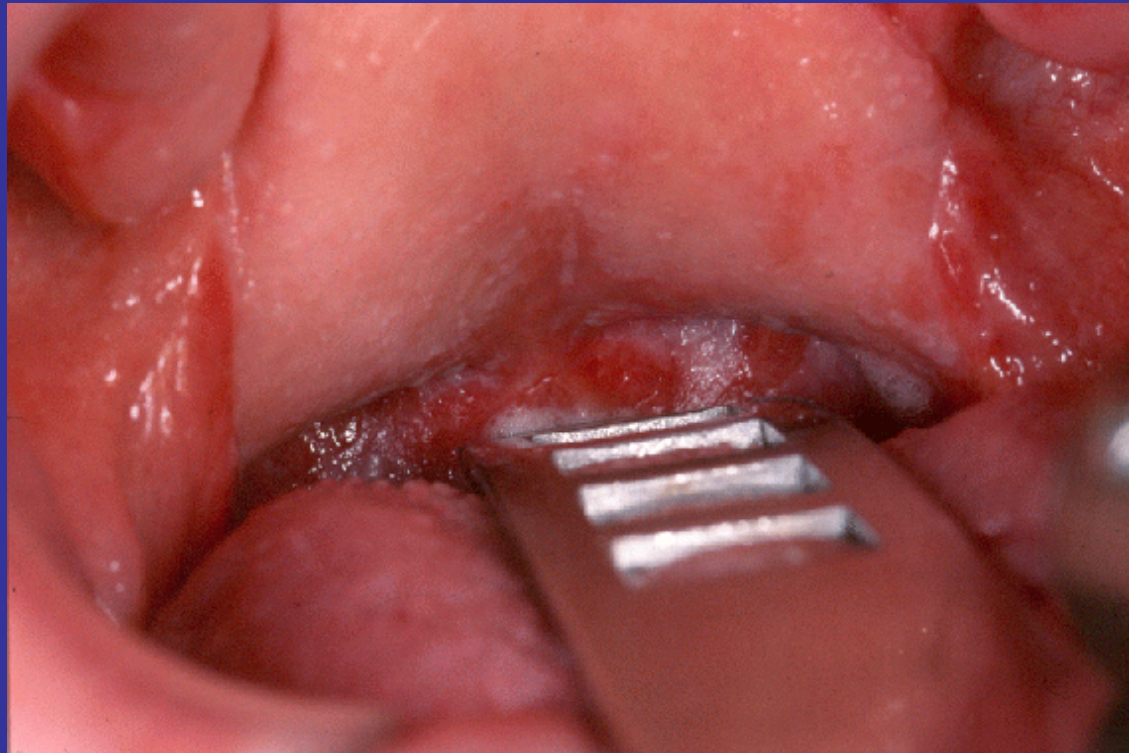
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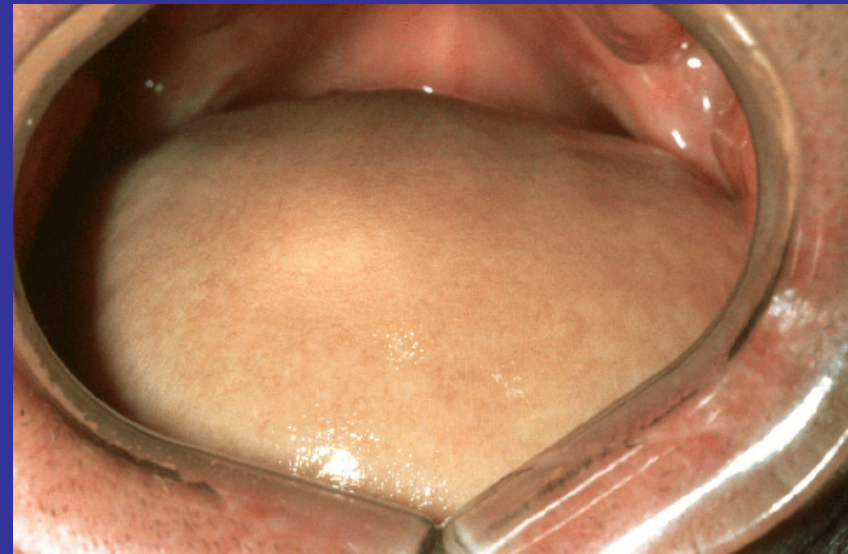
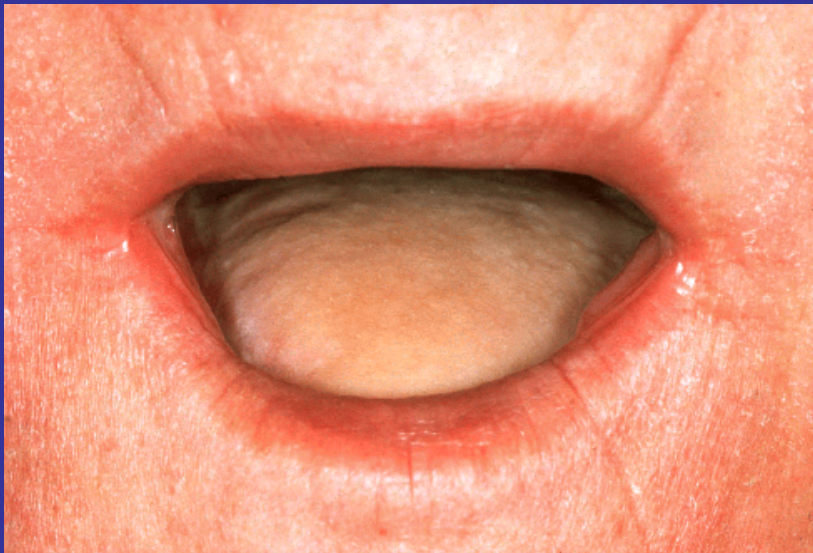
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Reconstruction of Total Soft Palate (RFFF)



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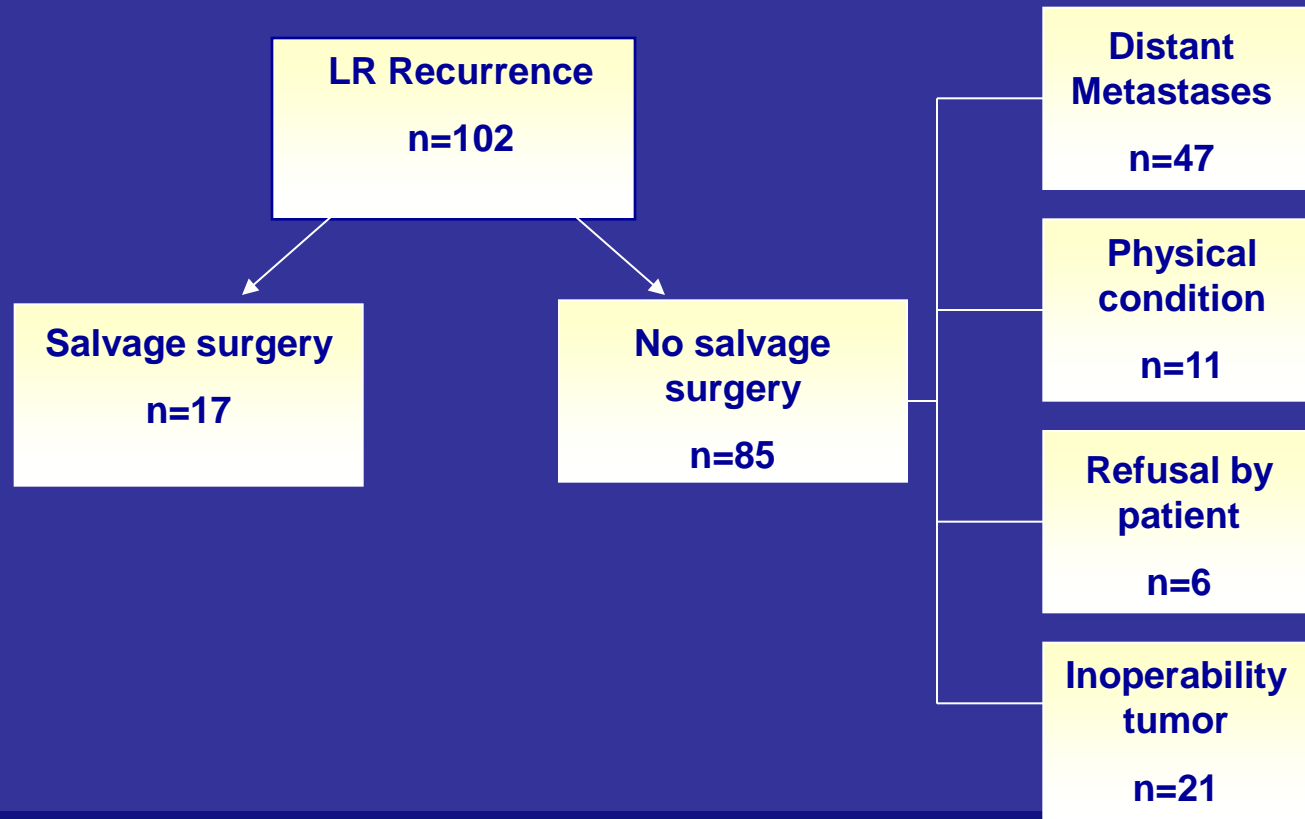
Total Glossectomy (Rectus/DIEP)



Salvage Surgery

Salvage Surgery OPSCC

Recurrence after chemoradiation for OPSCC (n=394)



Salvage Surgery

Postoperative Complications

| Author | Year | N | Stage III/IV (%) | Complications (%) |
|------------------|------|----|------------------|-------------------|
| Agra et al. | 2003 | 70 | 76 | 42 |
| Zafereo et al. | 2009 | 41 | 63 | 46 |
| Kostrzewa et al. | 2010 | 36 | 78 | 36 |
| Nicols et al. | 2011 | 29 | 90 | 41 |



Salvage Surgery

Reconstruction after Salvage Surgery

| Author | Year | N | PM (%) | FRFF (%) | Rectus (%) | Other (%) |
|------------------|------|----|--------|----------|------------|-----------|
| Goodwin | 2000 | 31 | 30 | | | |
| Agra et al. | 2006 | 70 | 47 | | | |
| Zafereo et al. | 2009 | 41 | 12 | 18 | | 32 |
| Kostrzewa et al. | 2010 | 36 | | 75 | 8 | 17 |
| Nicols et al. | 2011 | 29 | | 50 | | |



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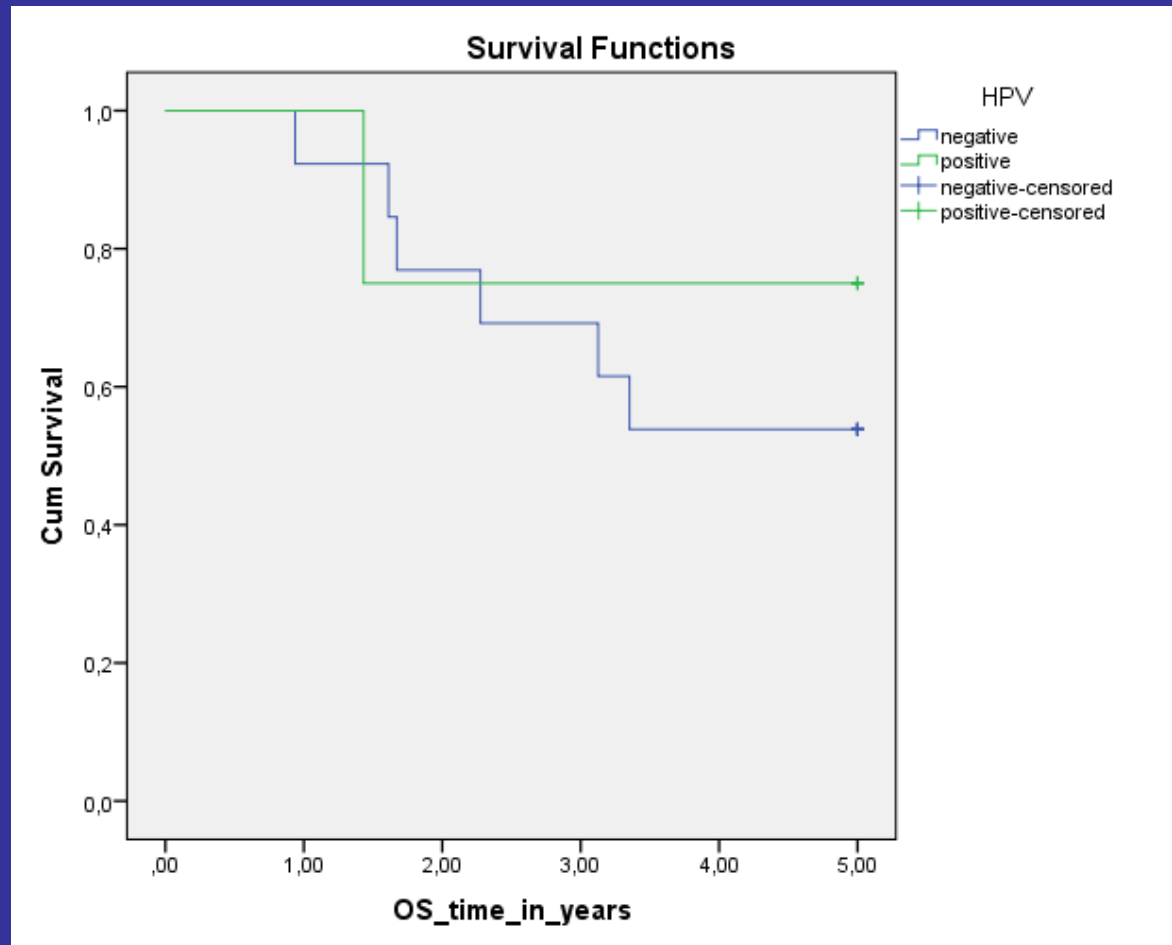
Long-term Complications

| Author | Year | N | PEG/NGT (%) | Tracheostomy (%) |
|------------------|------|----|-------------|------------------|
| Zafereo et al. | 2009 | 41 | 32 | 13 |
| Kostrzewa et al. | 2010 | 36 | 53 | - |
| Nicols et al. | 2011 | 29 | 83 | - |
| White et al. | 2013 | 64 | 31 | - |



Salvage Surgery

5y OS Salvage Surgery OPSCC



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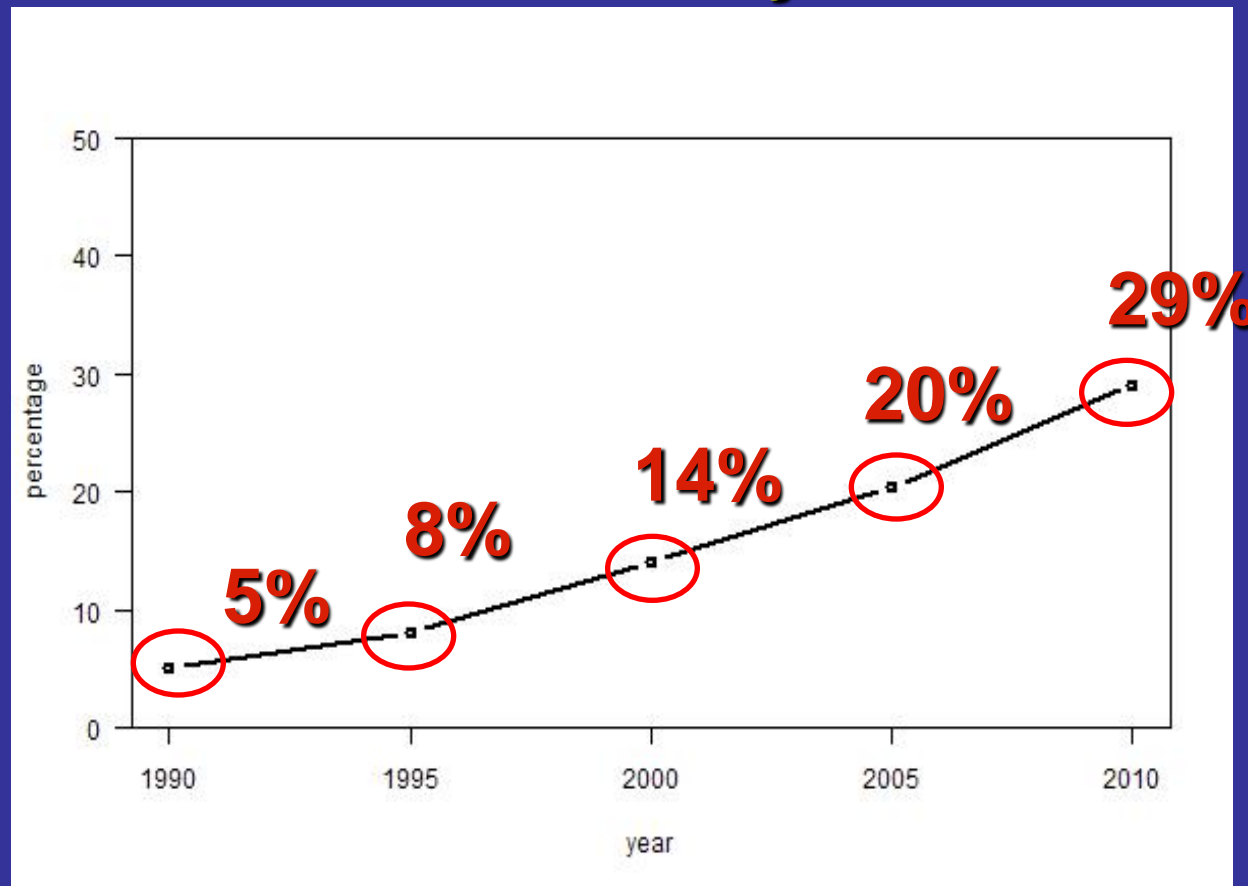
Survival after Salvage Surgery OPSCC

| Author | Year | N | Stage III/IV (%) | % Salvage | DFS (%) | OS (%) (5 yrs) |
|------------------|------|----|------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| Goodwin | 2000 | 31 | 64 | - | 26 (2 yr) | 26 |
| Agra et al. | 2006 | 70 | 76 | - | - | 26 |
| Zafereo et al. | 2009 | 41 | 63 | 24 | 26 (3 yr) | 28 |
| Röösli et al. | 2009 | 18 | 95 | 12 | 20 (4 yr) | 25 |
| Kostrzewa et al. | 2010 | 36 | 78 | - | - | 44 |
| Nicols et al. | 2011 | 29 | 90 | 38 | - | 43 |
| White et al. | 2013 | 64 | 59 | - | 43 (2 yr) | - |
| Sedee et al. | 2014 | 17 | 83 | 17 | - | 58 |



Salvage Surgery

Results Time Trend Analysis VUmc



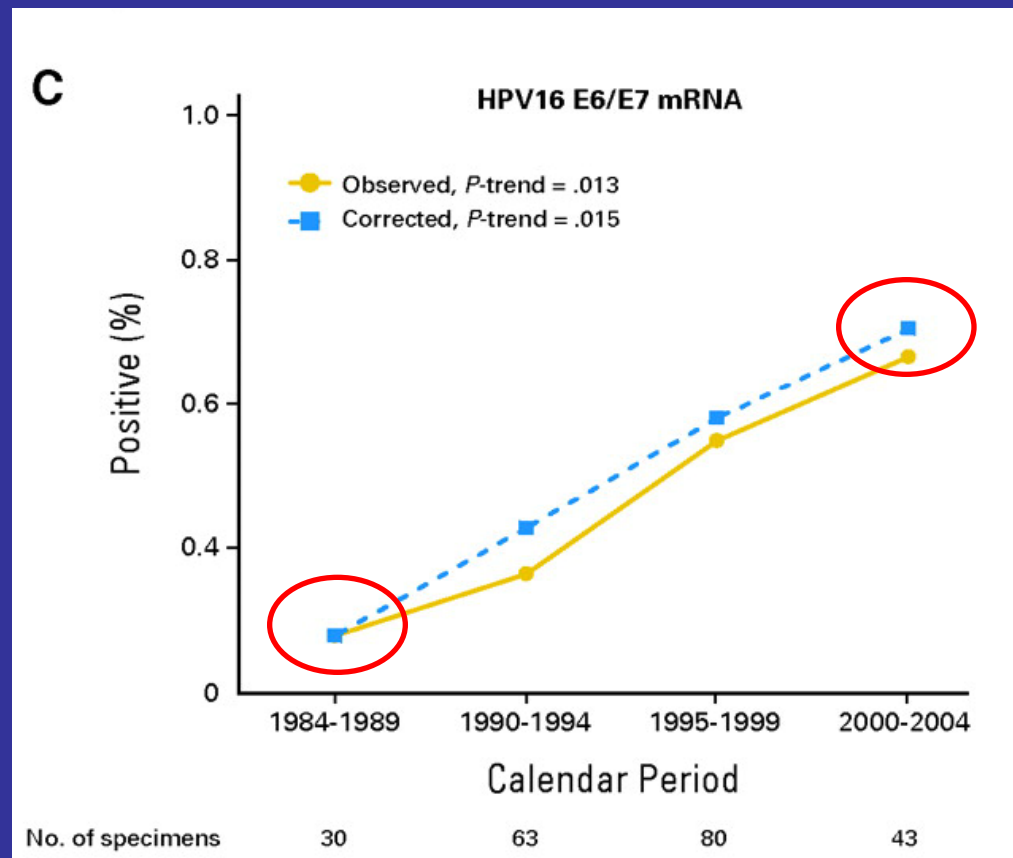
Cochrane-Armitage test for trend ($p < 0.001$)

Rietbergen MM *et al.* Int J Cancer 2013;132:1565-1571



Salvage Surgery

Rising Oropharyngeal HPV-Prevalence in US



16.3% in 1984-1989 → 70.0% in 2000-2004 in the USA



How to Explain better Response of HPV+?

- **Intrinsic higher radiosensitivity**
- **Lack of TP53 mutation**
- **No field cancerization**
- **Immunology related**



Transoral Robotic-assisted Surgery

- **Multi-institutional study (4 centres)**
- **64 TORS cases matched to 64 open approaches by TNM**



Transoral Robotic-assisted Surgery

- Lower incidence of tracheostomy
- Lower incidence of feeding tube use
- Shorter overall hospital stays
- Decreased operative time
- Less blood loss (49 mL vs 331 mL; $P < .001$),
- Decreased incidence of positive
- Higher 2-year recurrence-free survival



Transoral Robotic-assisted Surgery

- **Same criteria as for primary TORS**
- **Some re-resection to achieve free margins**
- **Selection bias:**
 - **Exposure/trismus**
 - **Bone involvement**



Surgery vs. Organ-Preservation

- Different treatment philosophies
- Salvage surgery is integral part of organ-preservation protocols, but NOT always possible



Role of Surgeon

- Central Part of Multidisciplinary Team



Surgery Must Treat Complications and Sequelae of Chemotherapy/Radiotherapy

- Oro-nasopharyngeal stenosis
- Laryngeal edema and obstruction
- Radionecrosis of the larynx
- Strictures of pharyngo-esophagus
- ORN of mandible other bones



Conclusions

- Early staged cancers are well treated by surgery
- Limited role in advanced staged cancers, except for salvage
- Modified role surgeon





1666 – Girl with a pearl earring
by Johannes Vermeer

Thank you for your attention



Management of oropharyngeal SCC: radiotherapy

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Staging of oropharyngeal tumors (TNM-UICC 2010)

- TX Primary tumor cannot be assessed
- T0 No evidence of primary tumor
- Tis Carcinoma *in situ*
- T1 Tumor 2 cm or less in greatest dimension
- T2 Tumor more than 2 cm but not more than 4 cm in greatest dimension
- T3 Tumor more than 4 cm in greatest dimension
- T4a Tumor invades the larynx, deep/extrinsic muscle of tongue, medial pterygoid, hard palate or mandible
- T4b Tumor invades lateral pterygoid muscle, pterygoid plates, lateral nasopharynx, or skull base or encases carotid artery

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Regional lymph node and metastasis staging

Regional lymph nodes (N)

- NX Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed
- N0 No regional lymph node metastasis
- N1 Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, ≤ 3 cm in greatest dimension
- N2 Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, > 3 cm but not > 6 cm in greatest dimension, or in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension, or in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension
 - N2a Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, > 3 cm but not > 6 cm in greatest dimension
 - N2b Metastasis in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension
 - N2c Metastasis in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension
- N3 Metastasis in a lymph node, > 6 cm in greatest dimension

Distant Metastasis (M)

- MX Distant metastasis cannot be assessed
- M0 No distant metastasis
- M1 Distant metastasis

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Transoral surgery

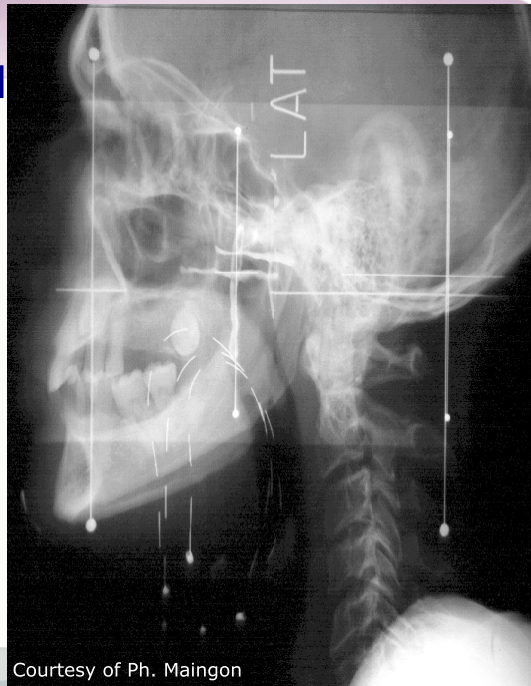


- Cold / cautery knife
- CO2 laser
- TORS

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Brachytherapy for oropharyngeal SCC

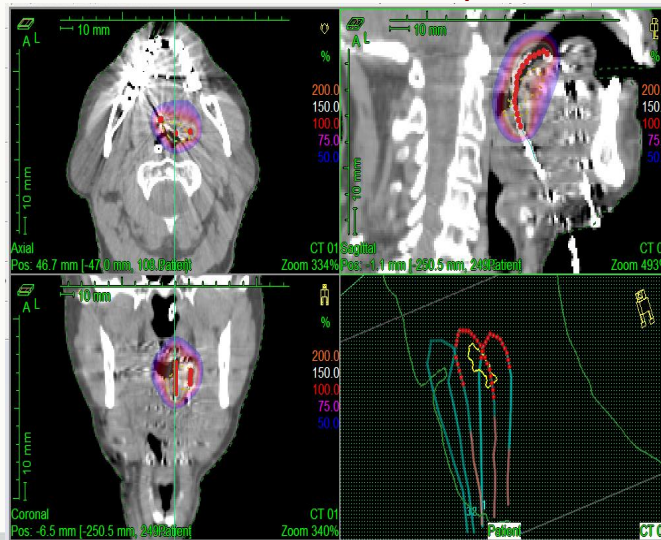


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Brachytherapy for oropharyngeal SCC

Boost after 50 Gy



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GEC-ESTRO recommendations for brachytherapy for head and neck squamous cell carcinomas

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| Anatomical site | Patient selection | Implant technique | Safety margin | Dose | Result |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|---|---|
| Lip | T1-3 | RN | 5-10 mm | 60-75 Gy LDR-PDR | LC: 90-95% N: 2-10% |
| Buccal mucosa | <4 cm | PT | 5-10 mm | 65-70 Gy LDR-PDR (25-30 Gy boost if 45-50 Gy ERT) | LC: 80-90% N: <10% |
| Mobile tongue | T1-3 | PT | 5 mm | 65-75 Gy LDR-PDR (25-30 Gy boost if 40-45 Gy ERT) | LR: >90% N: 10-20% |
| Floor of mouth | T1-2N0 | RN or PT | >5 mm | 65 Gy LDR-PDR (10-25 Gy boost if 46-50 Gy ERT) | LR: >90% N: 10-30% |
| Oropharynx | < 5 cm | PT | >10 mm | LDR-PDR: 25-35 Gy boost following 45-50 Gy ERT HDR 21-30 Gy/3 Gy fractions or 21-24 Gy/ 4 Gy fractions boost following 45-50 Gy ERT | Base of tongue: LR: T1-2 80-90% T3-4 65-80% N 25% Faucial arch: LR: T1-2: up to 90%. T3: 67%. N: 20% |

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Mazeron et al, 2009

Treatment strategies

Key parameters influencing treatment choice

- Tumor: extension and location
- Neck: lymph node status
- Patients: general status, co-morbidities and personal choice
- Outcome: efficacy, functionality and morbidity

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Treatment strategies

Conservation Surgery - Indications

Early tumors (T1-T2, N0-N1)

Resection of the tumor and neck dissection when organ-function sparing surgery is suitable.



Avoid multiple treatment when only one modality is enough!

Hyper- and accelerated fractionation

CF 
70Gy/ 2.0 Gy/ 7w

HF 
80.5Gy/ 2x1.15 Gy/ ti=6h/ 7w

Expectations

- Increased tumor control
- More severe early reactions
- Unchanged or less late reactions

CF 
70Gy/ 2.0 Gy/ 7w

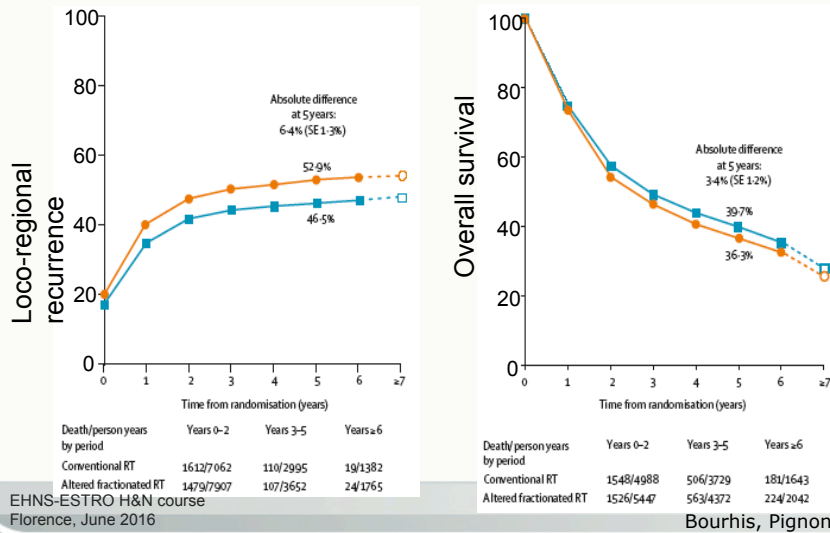
CB 
70Gy/ 2.0 Gy/ 5w

Expectations:

- Increased tumor control
- Increased early reactions
- Unchanged or decreased late damage

Meta-analysis on altered fractionation HNSCC

Randomized trials 1970-1998 (no postop RT)
15 trials included (6515 patients, individual data)



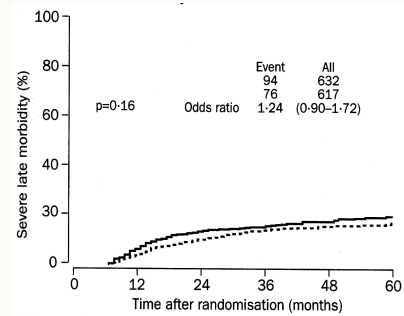
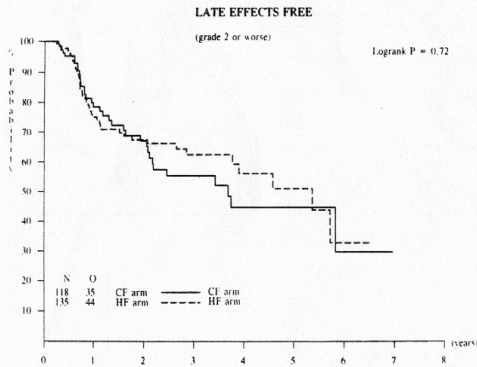
Acute toxicity of HF or AF in HNSCC

| Author | Regimen | Grade 3-4 mucositis | |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | | Control | Experimental |
| Horiot (n=356) | HF | 49% | 67% |
| Horiot (n=512) | Acc. fract. + split | 50% | 67% |
| Dische (n=918) | CHART | 43% | 73% |
| Fu (n=536) | Acc. frac (CB) | 25% | 46% |
| Fu (n=542) | Acc. fract. + split | 25% | 41% |
| Fu (n=507) | HF | 25% | 42% |
| Skladowski (n=99) | Acc. Fract. | 26% | 56% |

Late toxicity of HF or AF in HNSCC

HF 
80.5Gy/ 2x1.15 Gy/ ti=6h/ 7w

AF 
64-68 Gy/ 2.0 Gy/ 5.5w



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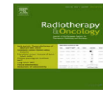
Horiot et al. R&O, 1992
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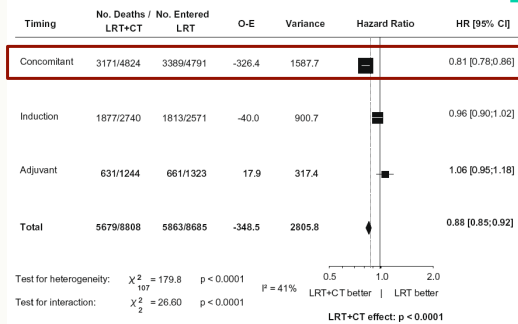
Meta analysis

Meta-analysis of chemotherapy in head and neck cancer (MACH-NC): An update on 93 randomised trials and 17,346 patients

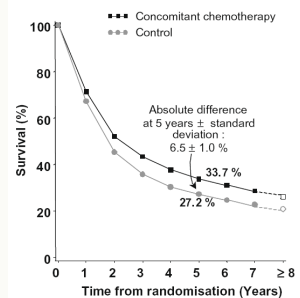
Jean-Pierre Pignon^{a,*}, Aurélie Le Maître^a, Emilie Maillard^a, Jean Bourhis^b, on behalf of the MACH-NC Collaborative Group¹

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Hazard ratio of death.



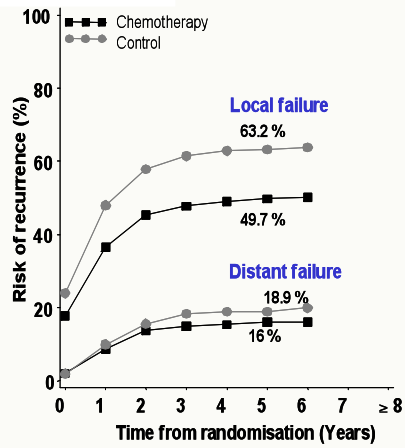
(a) Concomitant chemotherapy.



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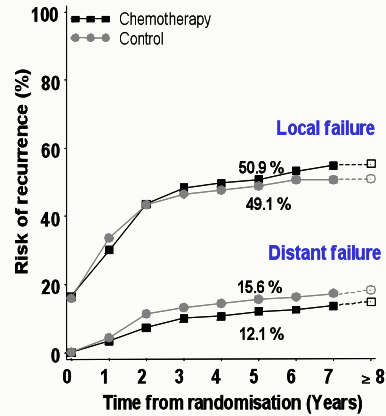
Platin-5FU: concomitant vs induction ?



Concomitant

Platin-5FU

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Neoadjuvant

Platin-5FU

Bourhis, Pignon 2009

Up-date MACH-NC : summary

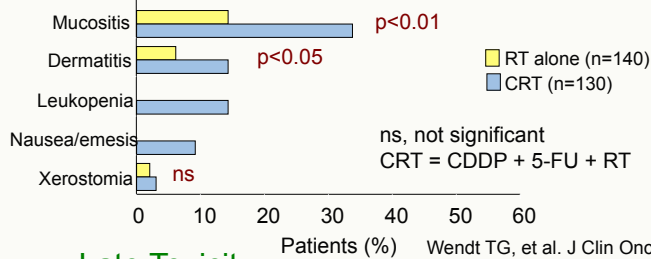
- ➔ Small benefit of CT on survival : confirmed
- ➔ Higher benefit with concomitant CH: confirmed (8%)
- ➔ Benefit with concomitant CDDP: 11% at 5 years
- ➔ Benefit of CT observed in post-op, and with definitive RT (conventional / hyperfractionated)

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Bourhis, Pignon 2009

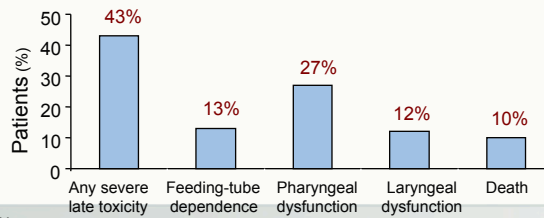
Toxicity of concomitant CH-RxTh for HNSCC

Acute adverse effects: Grade ≥ 3



Late Toxicity

Analysis of 230 patients receiving CRT in 3 studies (RTOG 91-11, 97-03, 9-14)

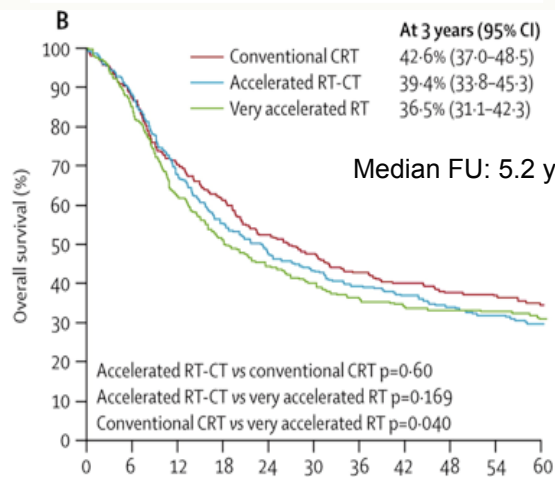


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CH-RxTh or altered fractionation or a mix in HNSCC ?

GORTEC 9902: overall survival

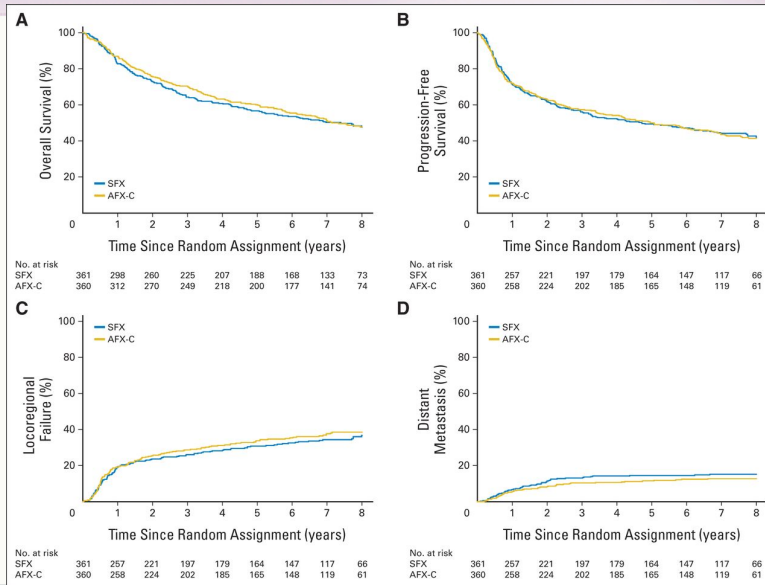


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Bourhis et al. Lancet Oncol, 2012



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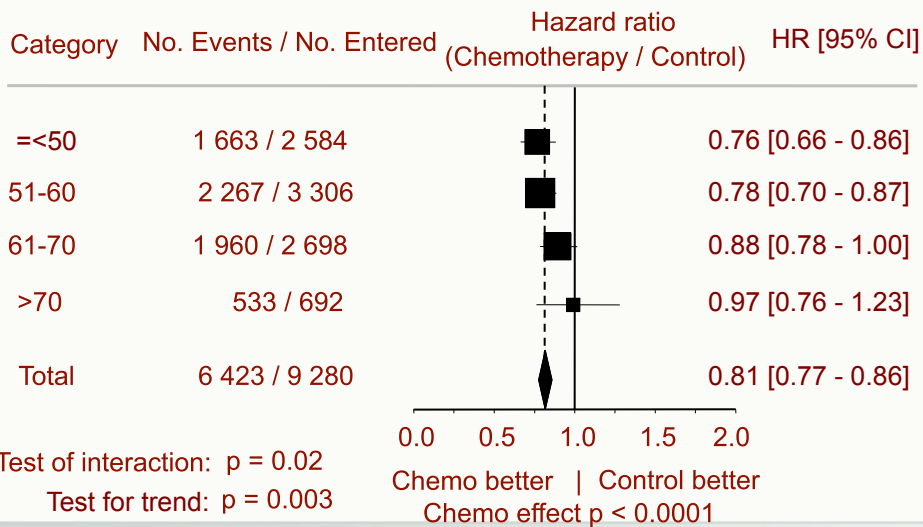


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Nguyen-Tan, JCO 2010

Treatment of H&N SCC in the elderly in 2007

MACH-NC: Overall survival by age

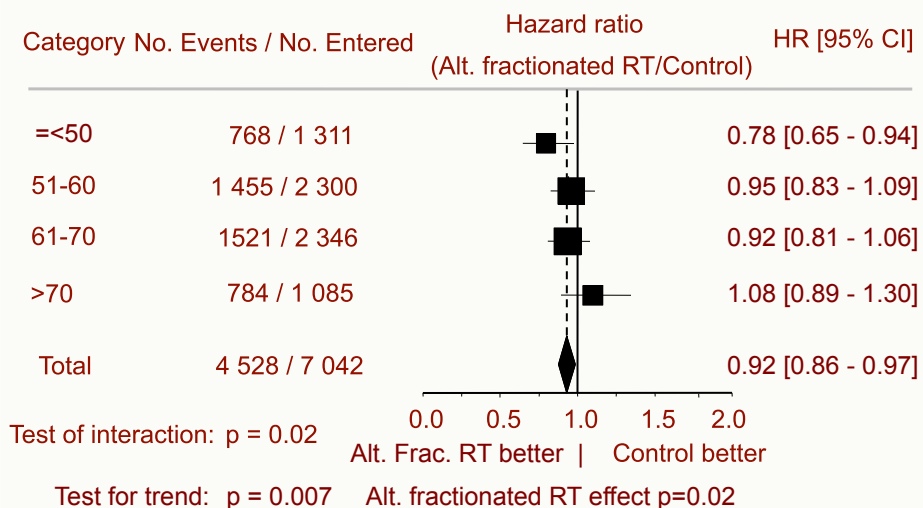


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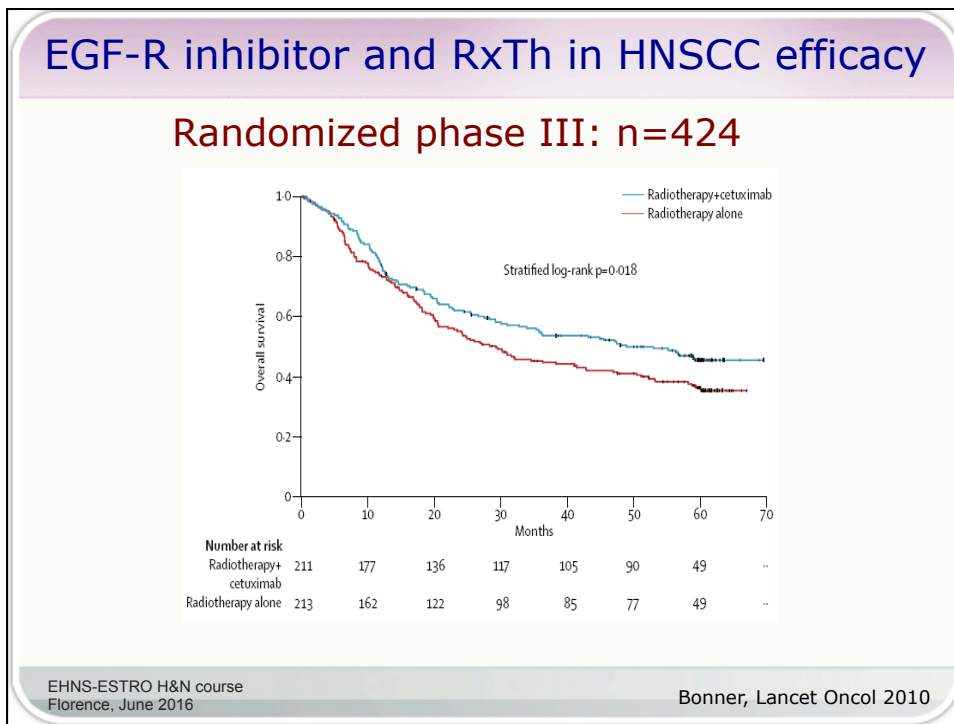
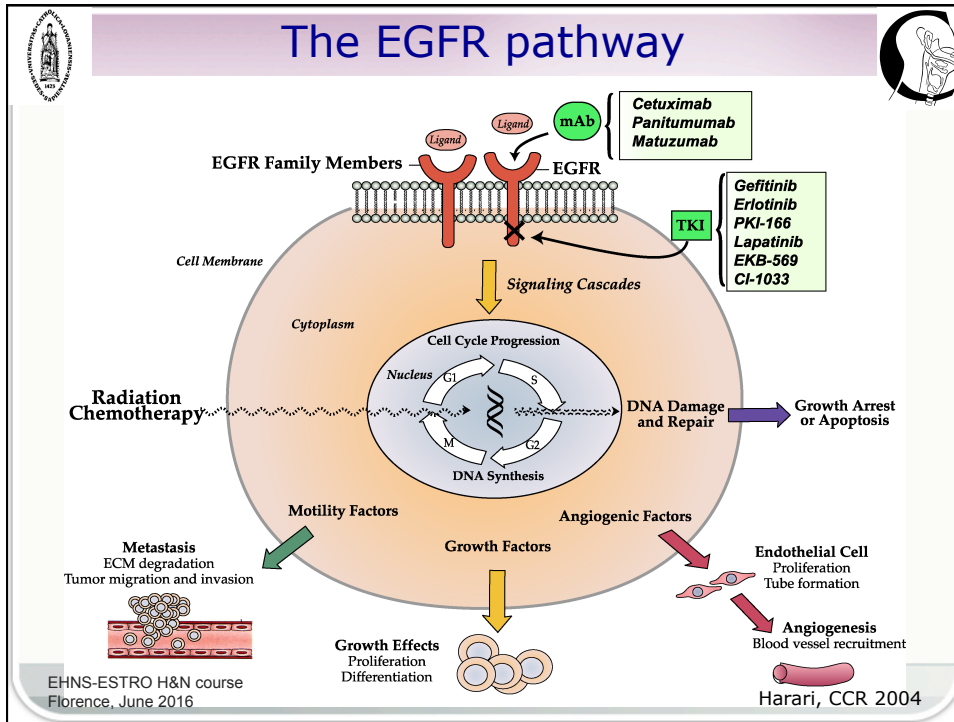
Treatment of H&N SCC in the elderly in 2007

Cause of death

| MARCH | ≤50 | 51 - 60 | 61 - 70 | >70 | p |
|------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Cancer death | 74.7 % | 68.1 % | 60.8 % | 47.2 % | <0.0001 |
| Non cancer death | 18.2 % | 23.8 % | 29.3 % | 41.2 % | |
| Unknown cause of death | 7.0 % | 8.1 % | 9.9 % | 11.6 % | |
| MACH-NC | ≤50 | 51 - 60 | 61 - 70 | >70 | p |
| Cancer death | 80.4 % | 73.1 % | 68.8 % | 54.6 % | <0.0001 |
| Non cancer death | 14.6 % | 21.3 % | 26.5 % | 38.7 % | |
| Unknown cause of death | 5.0 % | 5.6 % | 4.7 % | 6.7 % | |

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Bourhis et al., 2006



EGF-R inhibitor and RxTh in HNSCC: toxicity

| % Toxicity | RT (N=212) | | RT+E (N=208) | |
|----------------------|------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| | All Gr. | Gr. 3/4 | All Gr. | Gr. 3/4 |
| Skin reaction | 91 | 18 | 97* | 34** |
| Mucositis/Stomatitis | 93 | 52 | 91 | 54 |
| Dysphagia | 63 | 30 | 64 | 25 |
| Xerostomia | 70 | 3 | 64 | 4 |
| Fatigue/Malaise | 50 | 5 | 52 | 4 |
| Infusion reaction# | 2 | - | 14** | 3* |

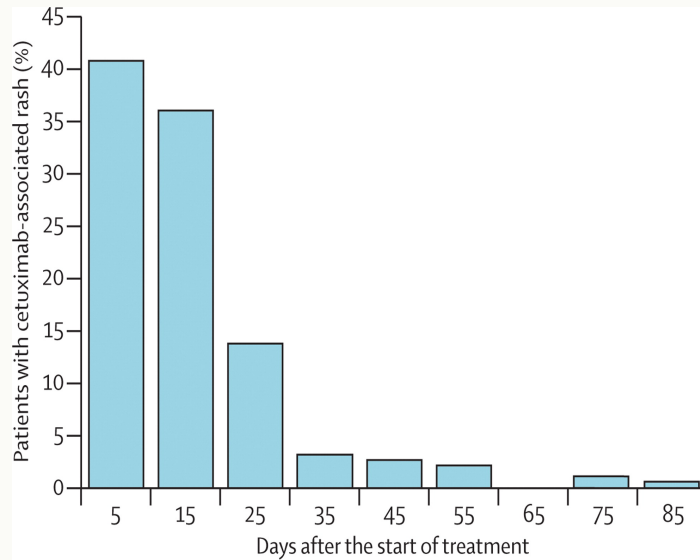
Listed for its relationship to cetuximab

* p < 0.05, ** p < 0.001, Fisher's exact test

Skin rash with EGFR-inhibiteur



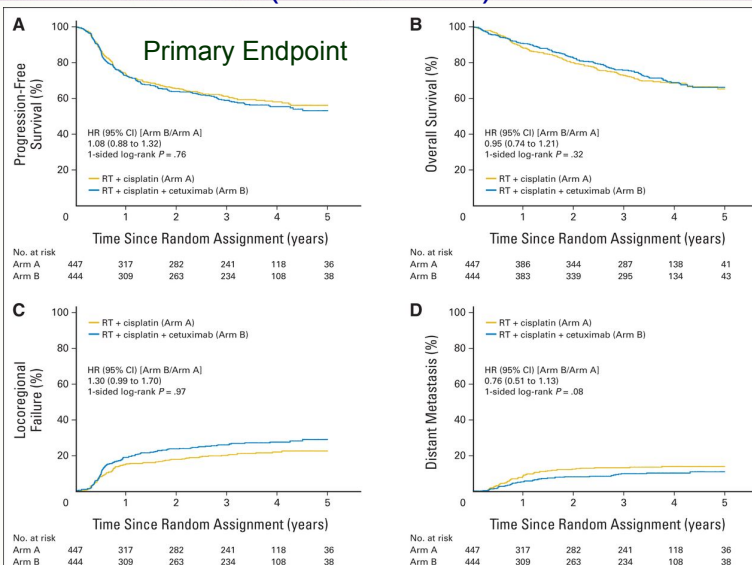
Most Common Adverse Events: skin rash



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Bonner, Lancet Oncology, 2010

Concomitant cddp-radiotherapy ± cetuximab (RTOG 0522)

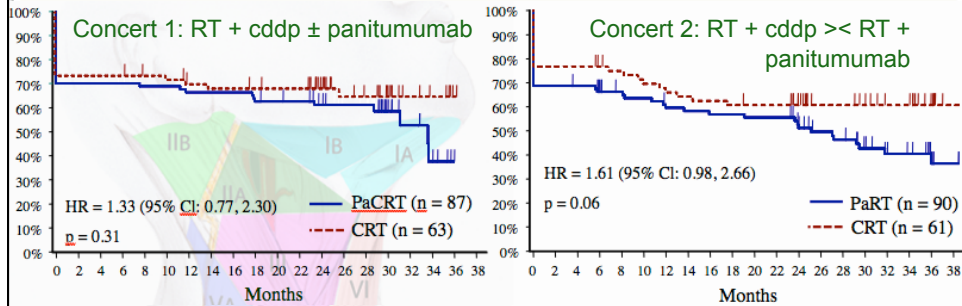


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Ang et al., 2014

Radiotherapy ± cddp ± Panitumumab

Local-Regional Control



| KM estimate (95% CI) | Concert 1 | | | Concert 2 | | |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | CRT | PaCRT | Difference | CRT | PaRT | Difference |
| LRC at 24 months | 68% (54%, 78%) | 61% (50%, 71%) | -7% (-23%, 9%) | 61% (47%, 72%) | 51% (40%, 62%) | -9% (-23%, 9%) |

- Oral cavity, oropharynx, hypopharynx and larynx
- Stage III and IV SCC
- IMRT and 3D-CRT

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Giralt et al., 2013

Radiotherapy ± cddp ± Panitumumab

Acute toxicity

| Grade ≥ 3 Adverse Event | CONCERT 1 | | CONCERT 2 | |
|-------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| | CRT (N = 63) | PaCRT (N = 87) | CRT (N = 62) | PaRT (N = 89) |
| Oral toxicity | | | | |
| Mucosal inflammation | 24% | 54% | 40% | 38% |
| Odynophagia | 8% | 6% | 16% | 7% |
| Dysphagia | 25% | 36% | 27% | 35% |
| Skin toxicity | | | | |
| Radiation skin injury | 13% | 28% | 11% | 24% |
| Rash | 0% | 11% | 0% | 9% |
| Dermatitis | 0% | 7% | 0% | 16% |
| Other | | | | |
| Neutropenia | 11% | 2% | 13% | 0% |
| Febrile neutropenia | 5% | 1% | 8% | 0% |
| Dehydration | 3% | 7% | 6% | 2% |

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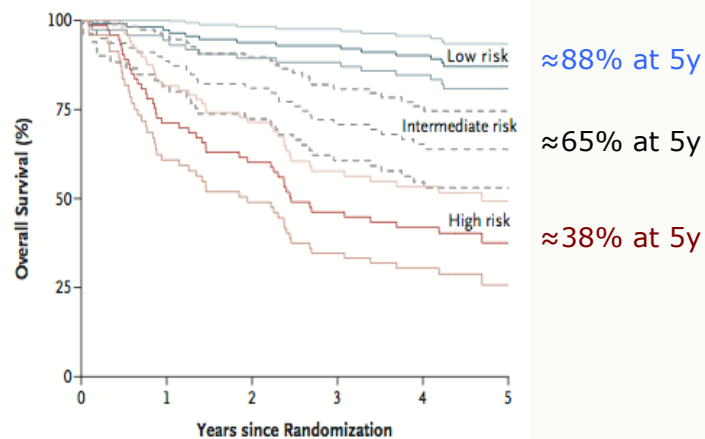
Giralt et al., 2013

And in HPV+ patients?

- Better outcome for HPV+ patients
- Not the proper time yet for treatment de-intensification or change in treatment strategy!
- Different trials for HPV+ and HPV- patients
- Routine p16 staining for oropharyngeal SCC

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HPV in H&N cancer



| No. at Risk | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| Low risk | 114 | 111 | 106 | 102 | 95 | 46 |
| Intermediate risk | 79 | 70 | 64 | 54 | 44 | 24 |
| High risk | 73 | 52 | 43 | 33 | 28 | 8 |

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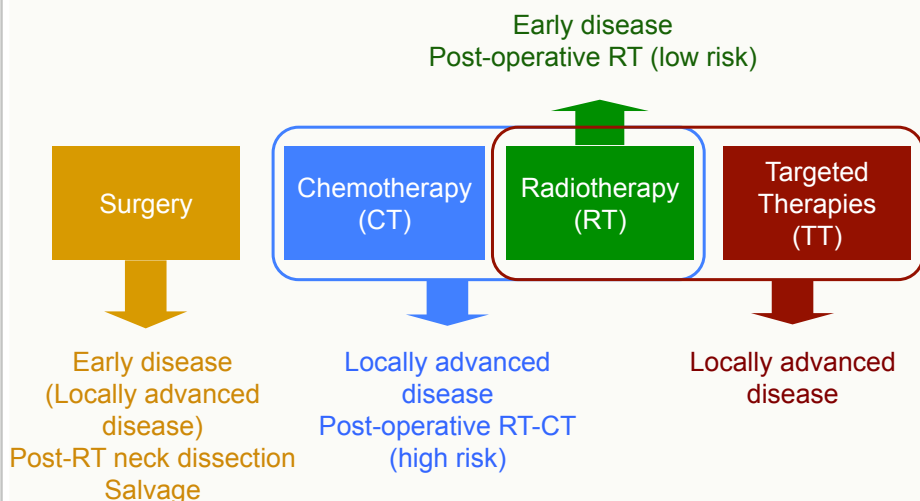
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The past: the two pillars in primary treatment of pharyngo-laryngeal SCC



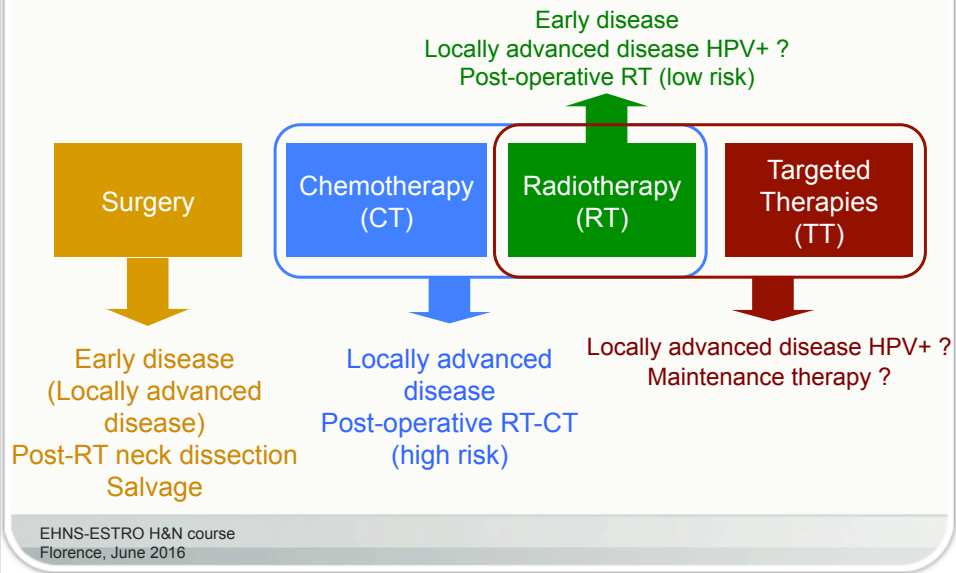
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The present: the four pillars in primary treatment of pharyngo-laryngeal SCC



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The future: optimization of the use of the four pillars in primary treatment of pharyngo-laryngeal SCC



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Management of Laryngeal and Hypopharyngeal tumors: Surgery

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Professor and Chairman

Department of Otorhinolaryngology -
Head and Neck Surgery

University of Brescia, Italy



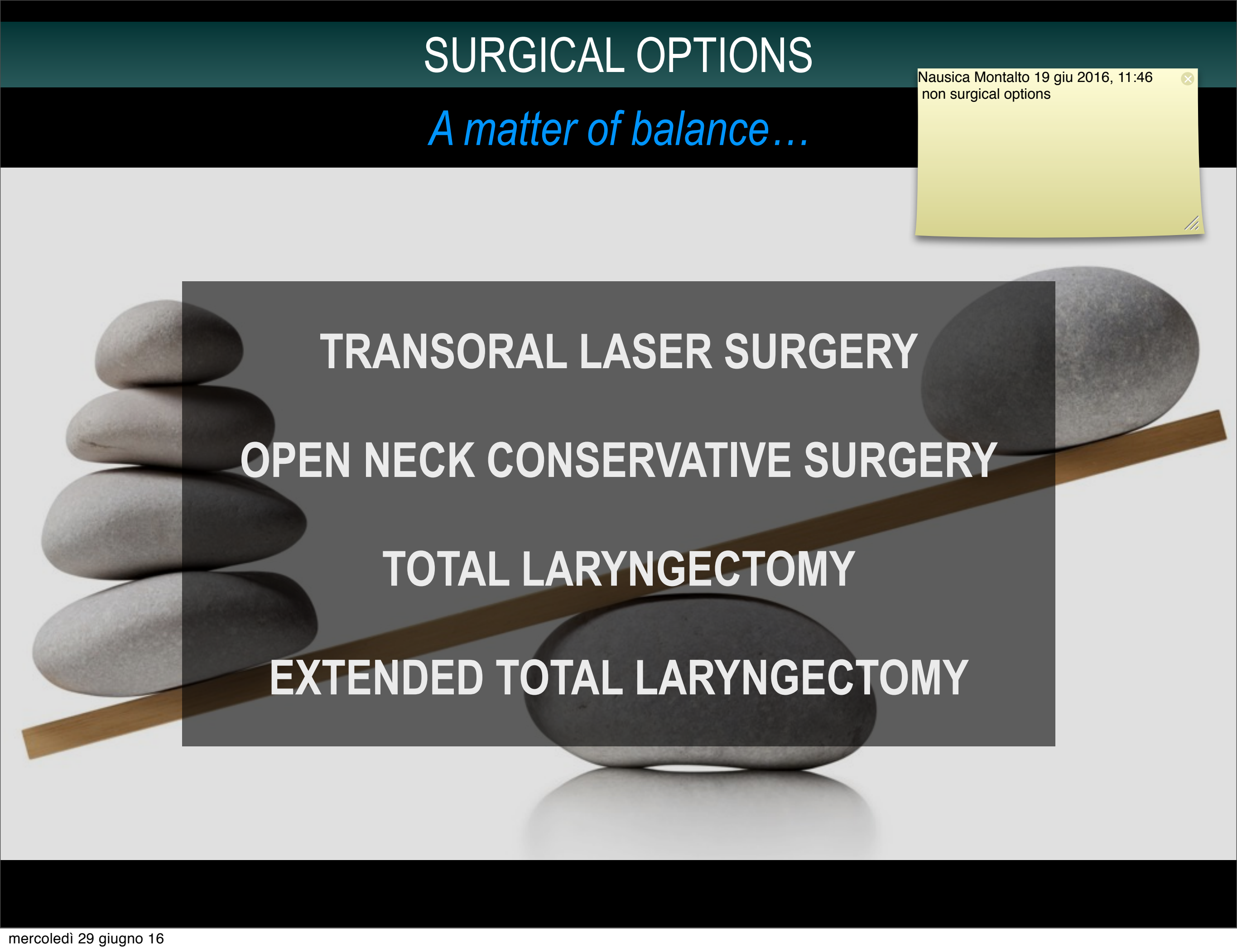
An anatomical illustration of the larynx, showing the vocal folds and surrounding structures. The illustration is rendered in a light, translucent style against a dark background. A horizontal teal band is overlaid across the center of the image, containing the word "LARYNX" in white, bold, uppercase letters.

LARYNX

SURGICAL OPTIONS

A matter of balance...

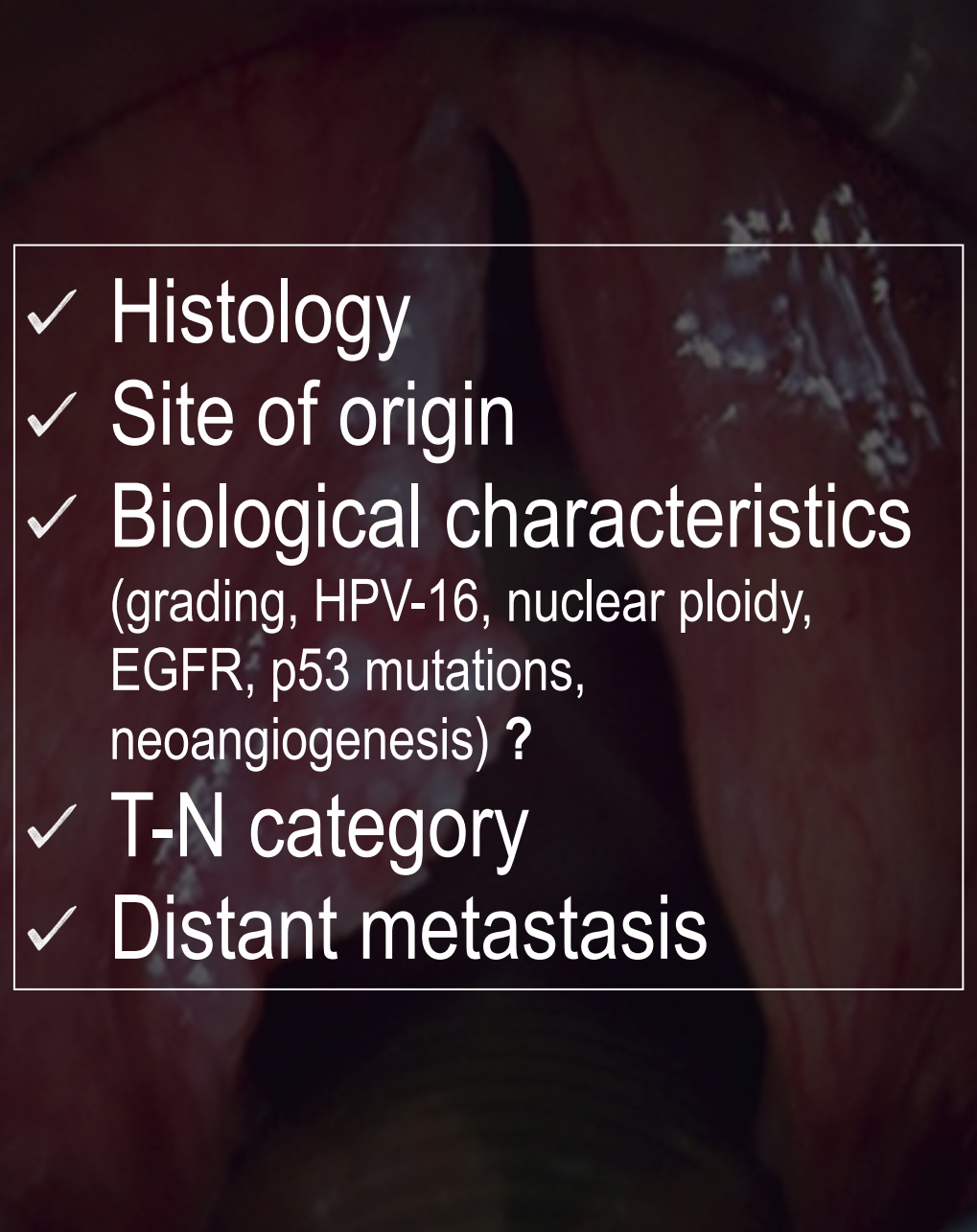
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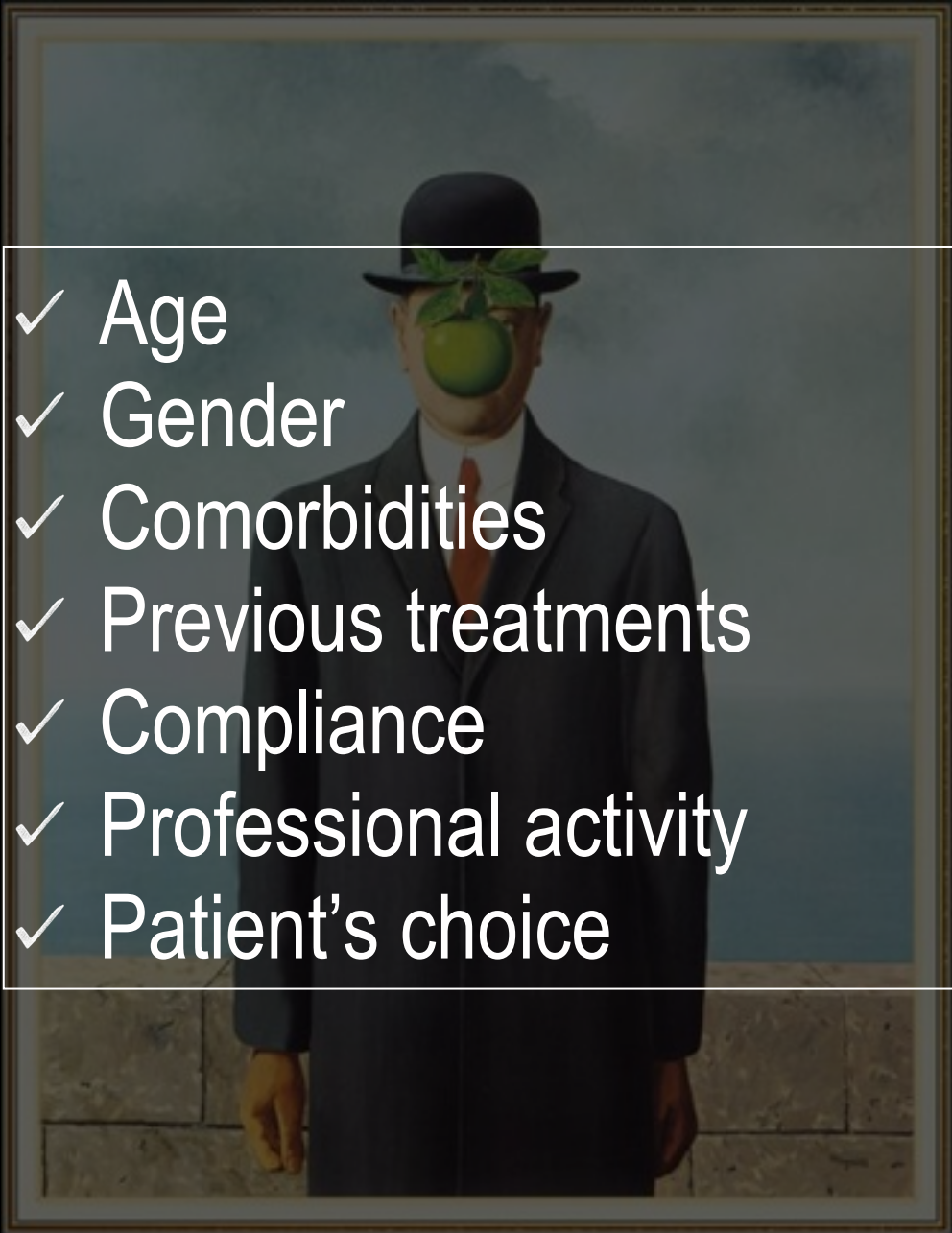
TRANSORAL LASER SURGERY
OPEN NECK CONSERVATIVE SURGERY
TOTAL LARYNGECTOMY
EXTENDED TOTAL LARYNGECTOMY

FACTORS INFLUENCING TREATMENT CHOICE

Tumor related

- 
- ✓ Histology
 - ✓ Site of origin
 - ✓ Biological characteristics
(grading, HPV-16, nuclear ploidy, EGFR, p53 mutations, neoangiogenesis) ?
 - ✓ T-N category
 - ✓ Distant metastasis

Patient related

- 
- ✓ Age
 - ✓ Gender
 - ✓ Comorbidities
 - ✓ Previous treatments
 - ✓ Compliance
 - ✓ Professional activity
 - ✓ Patient's choice

FACTORS RELATED TO THE PATIENT

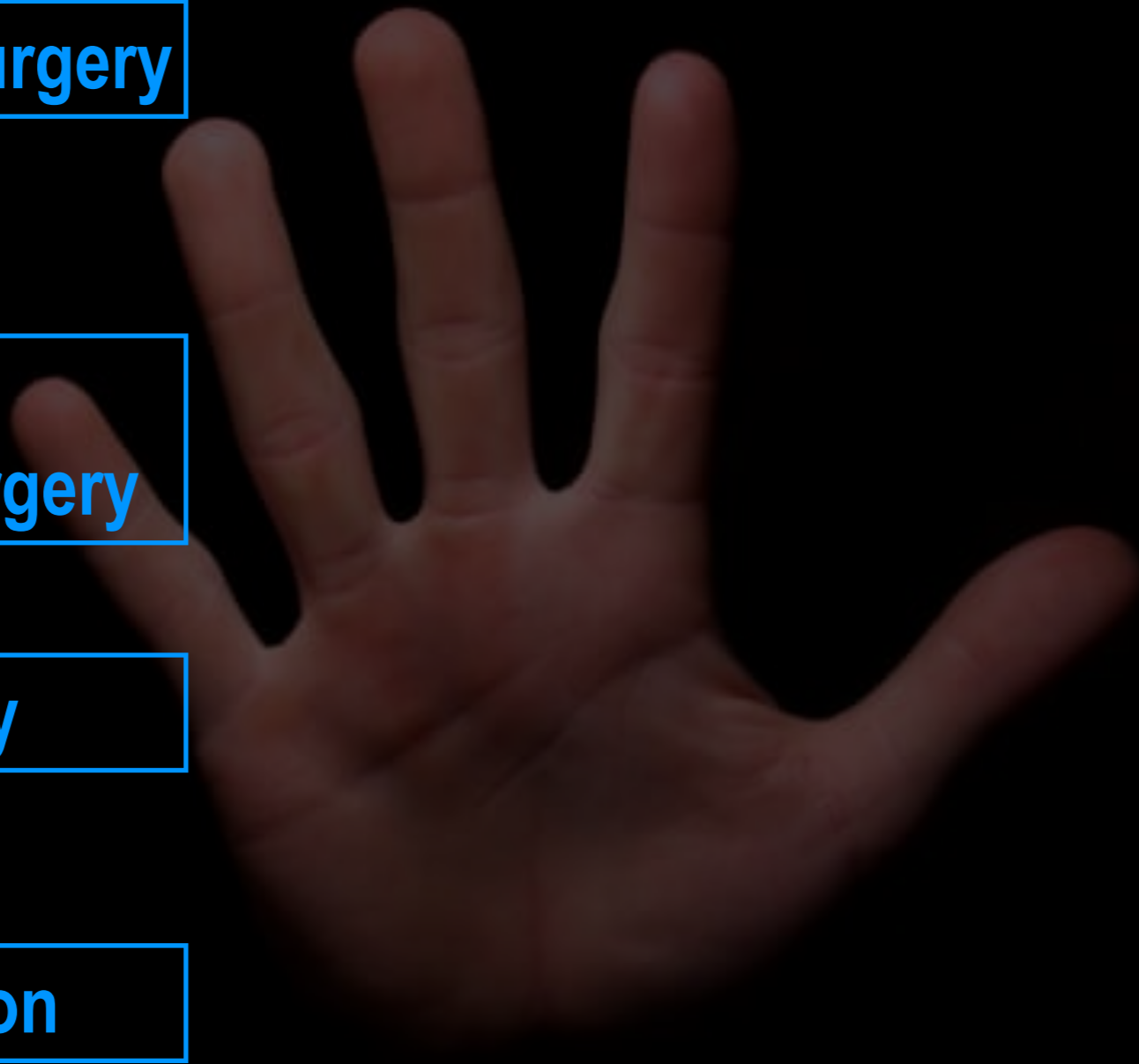
CONTRAINDICATIONS

Transoral laser surgery

**Open neck
conservative surgery**

Radiotherapy

Chemoradiation



FACTORS RELATED TO THE PATIENT

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Transoral laser surgery



- ✓ inadequate exposure of the larynx
- ✓ involvement of posterior commissure
- ✓ thyroid/cricoid cartilage involvement
- ✓ extensive subglottic involvement
- ✓ massive extralaryngeal extension
- ✓ poor compliance for a strict follow-up

Open neck conservative surgery



- ✓ poor respiratory performance status
- ✓ poor neurologic performance status

Radiotherapy



- ✓ previous RT (?)
- ✓ young age (?)

Chemoradiation



- ✓ previous RT (?)
- ✓ young age (?)
- ✓ cardiological/hepatic/renal diseases



TRANSORAL LASER MICROSURGERY

TRANSORAL CO2 LASER MICROSURGERY

Diagnosis and treatment

Tis/T1

Favourable oncologic outcomes

Minimal morbidity

no tracheotomy nor nasogastric feeding tube

Short hospitalization time

Preservation

of the laryngeal framework, extrinsic musculature, superior laryngeal nerves, tongue base, pharyngeal constrictors, hyoid bone

Custom-tailored resection

Does not preclude subsequent surgical/non-surgical, adjuvant or salvage treatments

Good vocal outcome for Tis/T1 not involving AC

TLM FOR GLOTTIC TUMORS

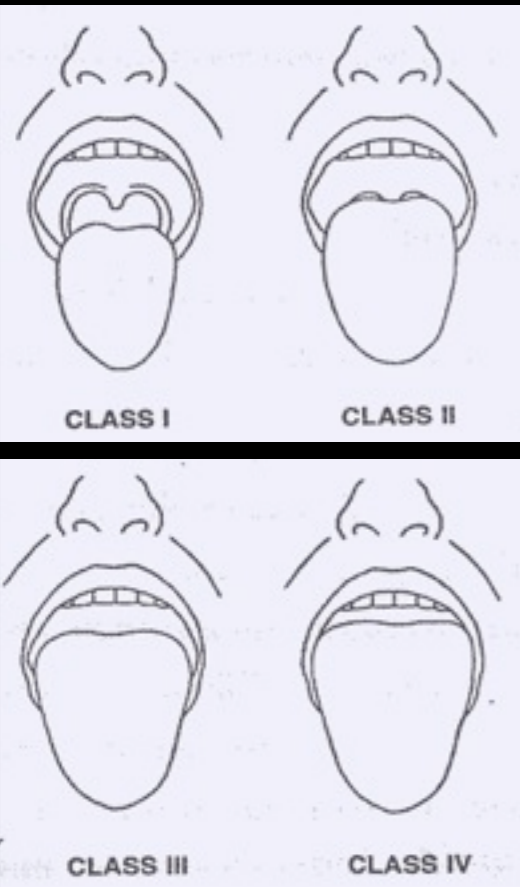
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Predictors of difficult laryngeal exposure

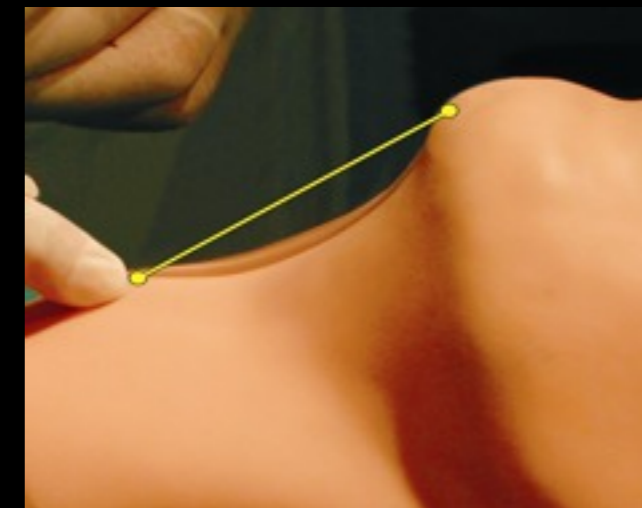
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Preoperative Clinical Predictors of Difficult Laryngeal Exposure for Microlaryngoscopy: The Laryngoscore

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- Interincisors gap (≥ 4 cm, < 4 cm)
- Thyromental distance (> 6.5 cm, 6-6.5 cm, < 6 cm)
- Teeth
- Trismus
- Tongue
- Previous treatments
- Ability to prognath
- Neck extension ($> 90^\circ$, 80-90°, $< 80^\circ$)
- Mallampati's class
- BMI (≤ 25 , > 25)



Piazza et al, Laryngoscope (2014)

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HOT TOPICS



TRANSORAL CO2 LASER MICROSURGERY

HOT TOPICS

Margin status

Extralaryngeal extension

Subglottic involvement

**Massive infiltration of PES
and PGS**

**Anterior/posterior
commissure**

AC involvement in the cranio-caudal plane (T2-3)

Arytenoid fixation

**Functional outcomes in T2-T3
and QoL**

**Thyroid cartilage/thyrohyoid
membrane infiltration**

TRANSORAL CO2 LASER MICROSURGERY

HOT TOPICS

Margin status

**Anterior/posterior
commissure**

AC involvement in the cranio-caudal plane (T2-3)

Extralaryngeal



**Reasonable limits for transoral laser microsurgery
in laryngeal cancer**

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Peretti et al, Curr Opin Otorhinolaryngol Head Neck Surg (2016)

Subglottic

**Massive infiltration of PES
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**Functional outcomes in T2-T3
and QoL**

**Thyroid cartilage/thyrohyoid
membrane infiltration**

An anatomical dissection of the larynx, showing the vocal folds and the glottis. The tissue is light-colored and has a textured, fibrous appearance. A surgical instrument is visible on the right side, holding the tissue open. The word "GLOTTIS" is overlaid in white text in the center of the image.

GLOTTIS

TLM FOR GLOTTIC TUMORS

INDICATIONS

- ✓ Tis-T1-T2 and selected T3
(with limited involvement of the PGS)
- ✓ Salvage surgery after RT for rT1-rT2
- ✓ Poorly radiosensitive histologies



- ✓ Inadequate exposure
- ✓ Posterior commissure involvement
- ✓ Extensive subglottic extension
- ✓ Crico-arytenoid joint involvement
- ✓ Laryngeal framework infiltration

CONTRAINDICATIONS

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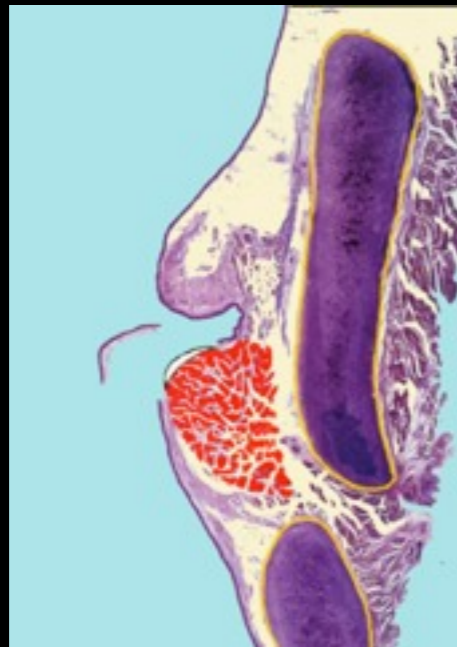
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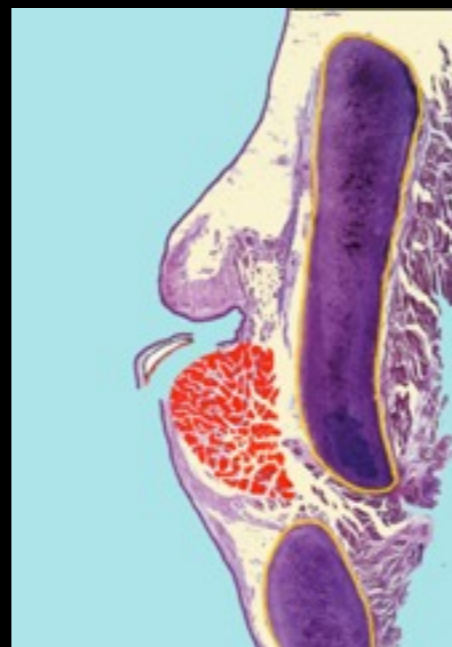
LARYNGOLOGY

**Proposal for revision of the European Laryngological Society
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Type II



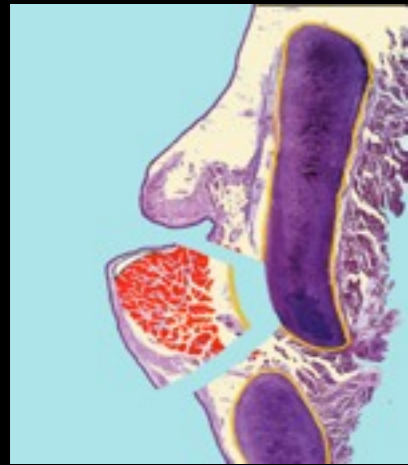
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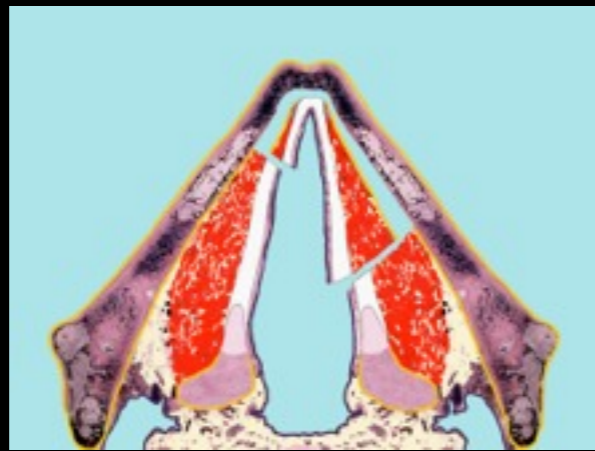
Remacle et al. 2000, 2007

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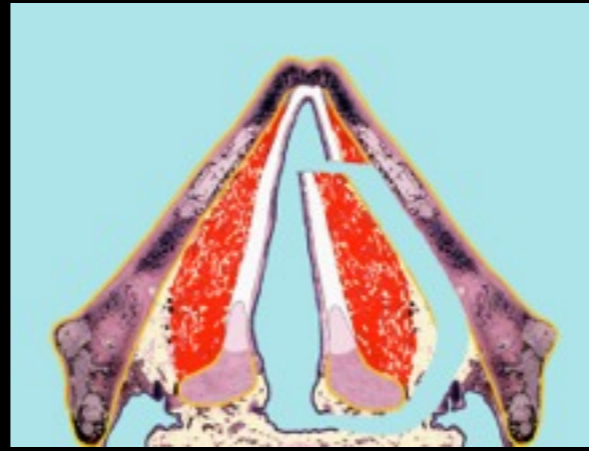
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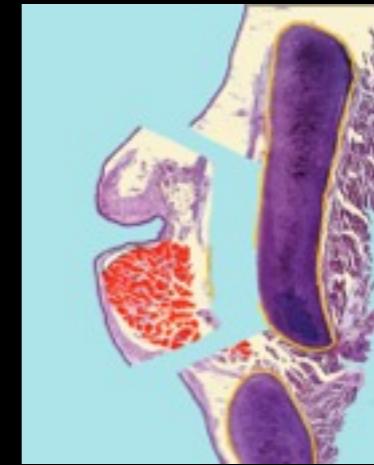
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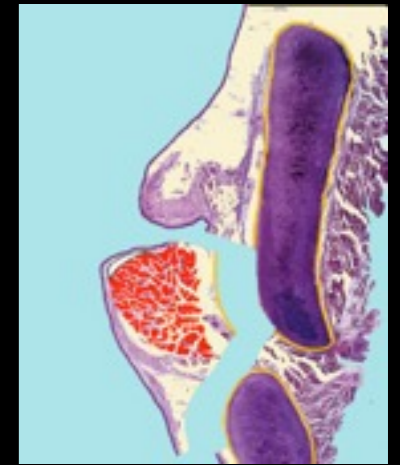
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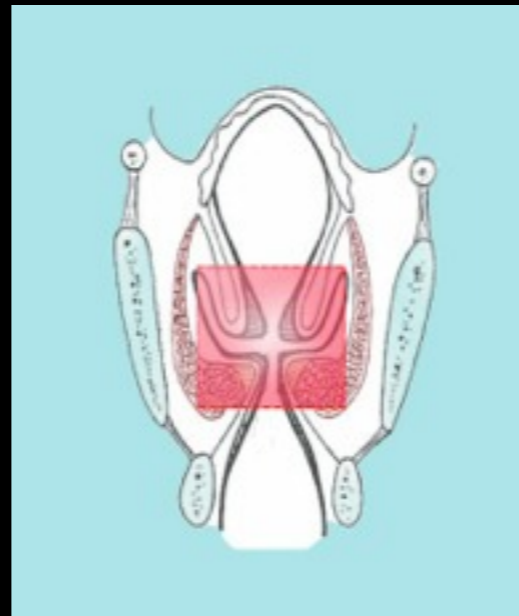
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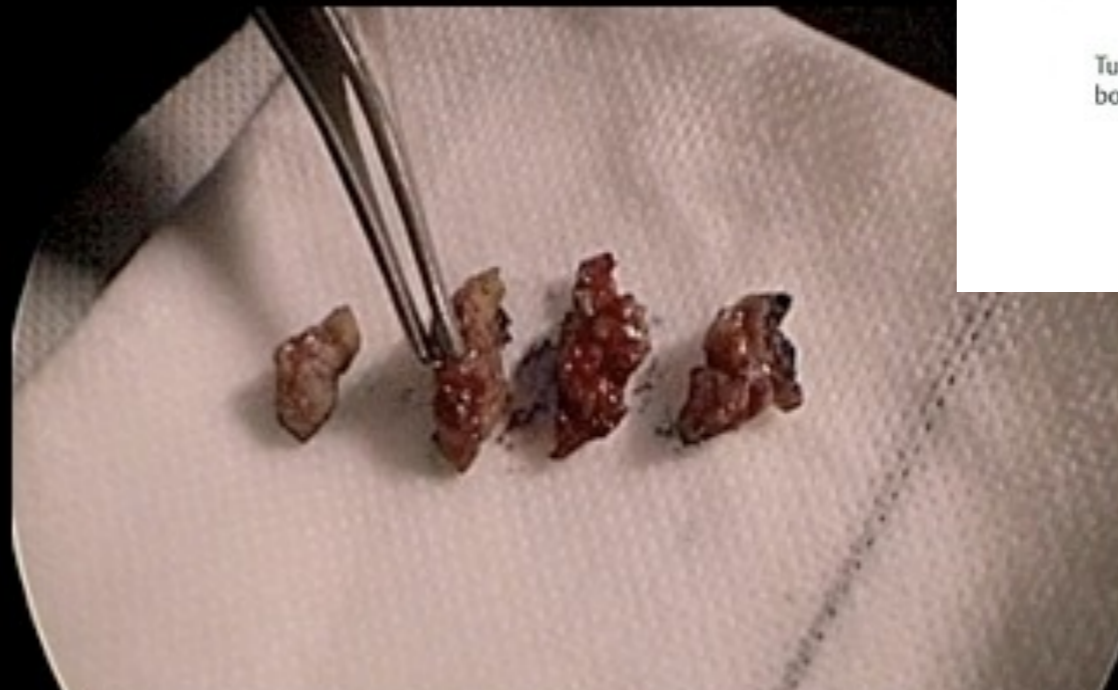
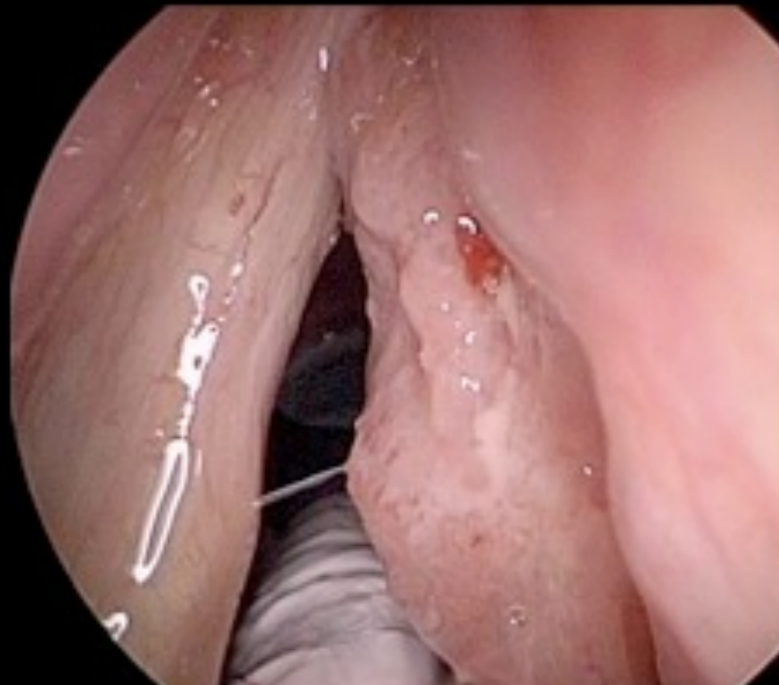
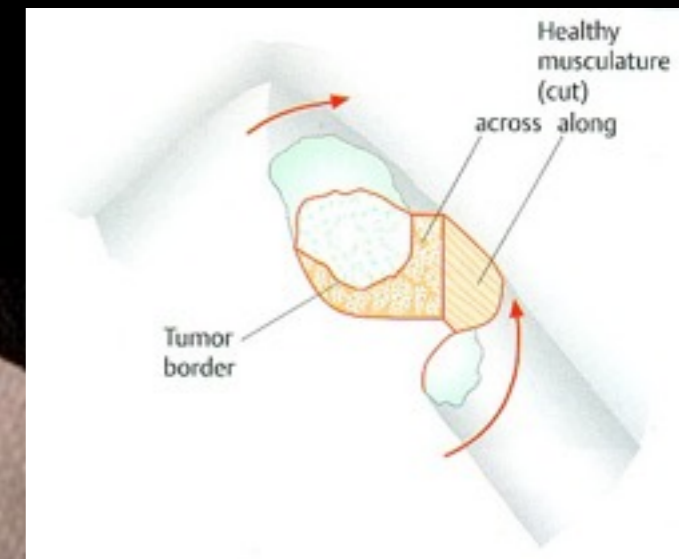
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Type VI

TRANSORAL CO2 LASER MICROSURGERY

“MULTIBLOC” TECHNIQUE



ONCOLOGIC RESULTS OF GLOTTIC CANCER

5-year local control

95%

I 85.3%

II 100%

IV 88.5%

T1



T2

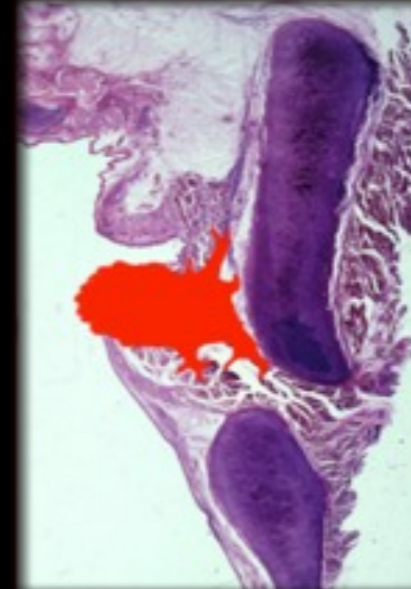
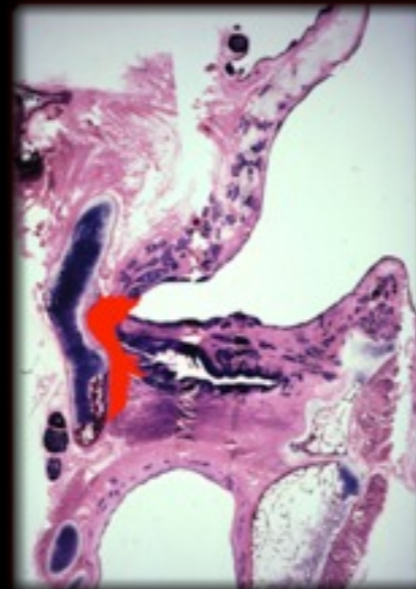


CUT OFF:
85%

III 70.8%

71.6%

T2

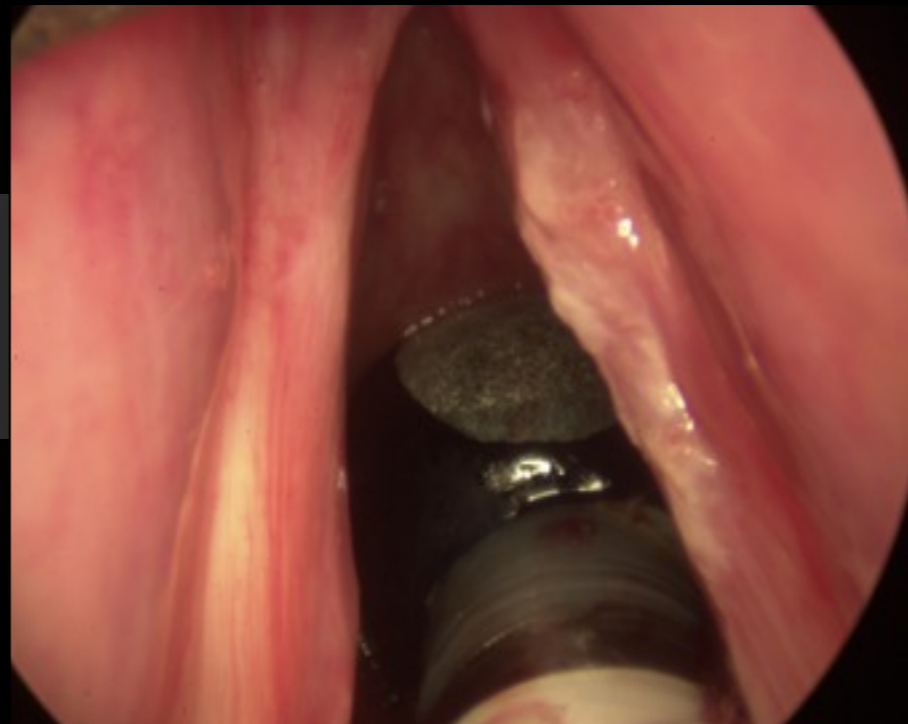


cT2/pT3

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SURGICAL MARGINS AFTER TLM

Voice preservation



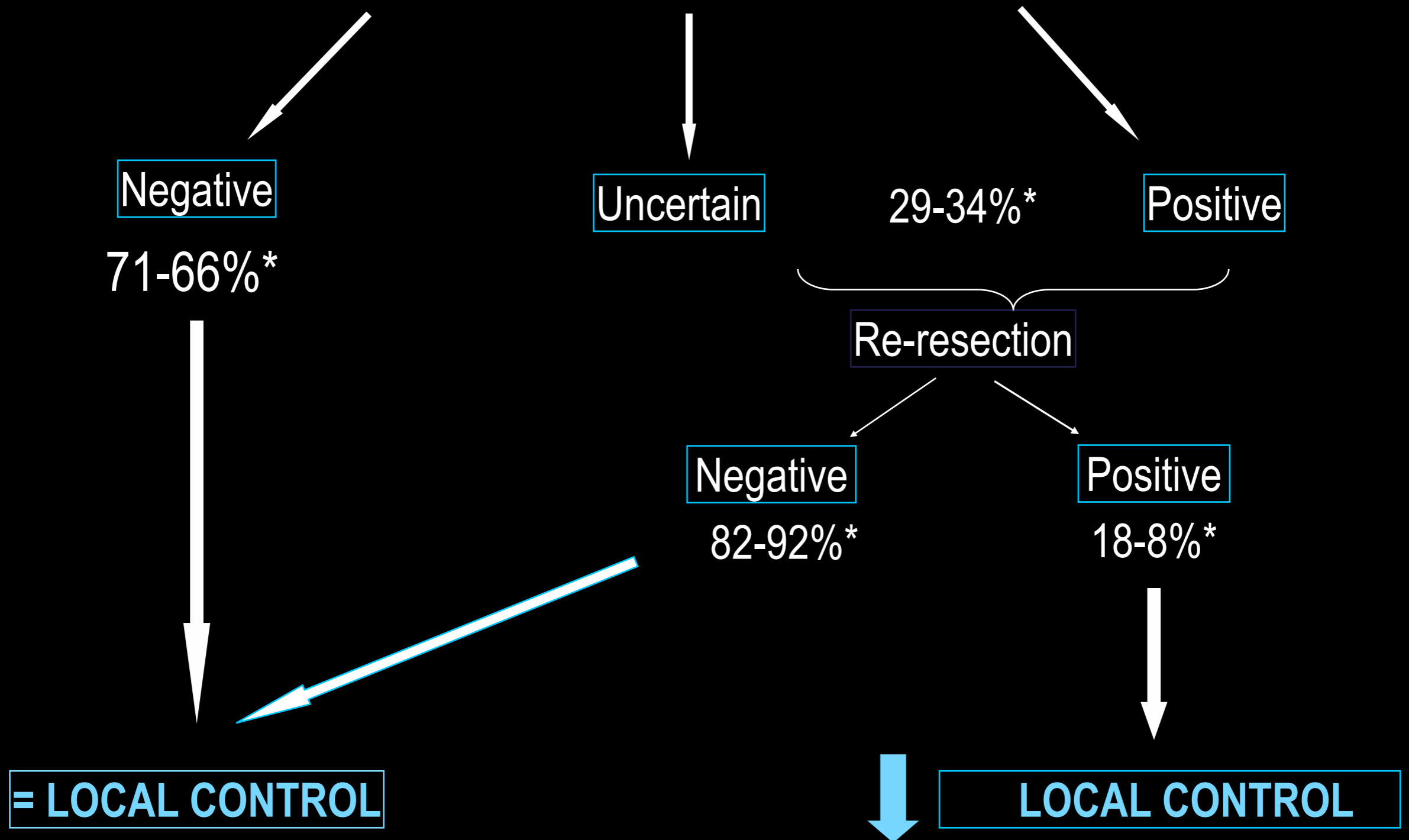
Local disease control

Glottic resection margins may be limited as 1 to 2 mm

Ossoff et al. Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol 1985
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SURGICAL MARGINS AFTER TLM

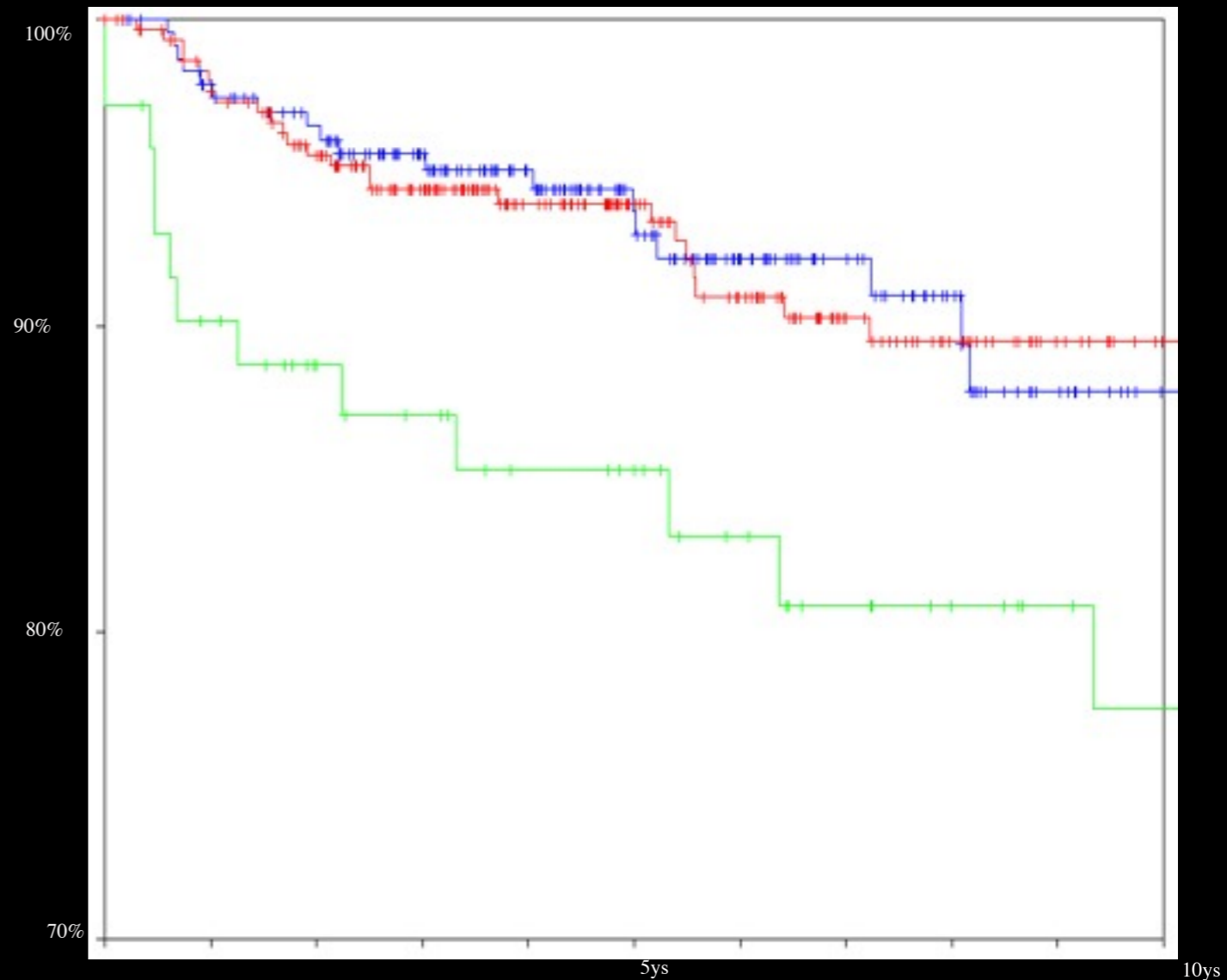


Jackel et al. Laryngoscope 2007
*Ansarin et al. Arch Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg 2009

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SURGICAL MARGINS AFTER TLM

ESTIMATED
5-YEAR **LOCAL CONTROL**



NEGATIVE 94.2%

POSITIVE SUP 93.2%

POSITIVE DEEP 84.9%

P=NS

P=0.003

Peretti et al. Head Neck 2010

TRANSORAL CO2 LASER MICROSURGERY

FUNCTIONAL RESULTS



VHI and GRBAS showed mild to moderate dysphonia

Mean values of Jitter, Shimmer, and noise-to-harmonic ratio by MDVP resulted 7.87%, 24.8%, and 0.37, respectively

Mean value of MDADI was 95.75

Only 2% of patients at VEES and 4% at VFS showed tracheal aspiration

In elderly patients (over 75 y-o) functional results are comparable with younger patients

TRANSORAL CO2 LASER MICROSURGERY

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SUPRAGLOTTIS

TLM FOR SUPRAGLOTTIC TUMORS

INDICATIONS

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(with limited involvement of the PES)
- ✓ Salvage surgery after RT for rT1-rT2
- ✓ Poorly radiosensitive histologies

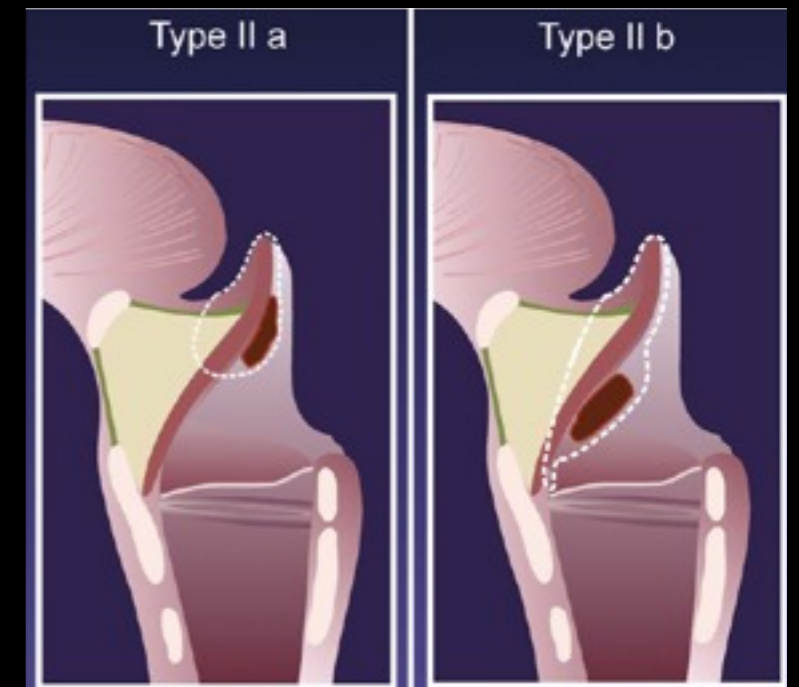
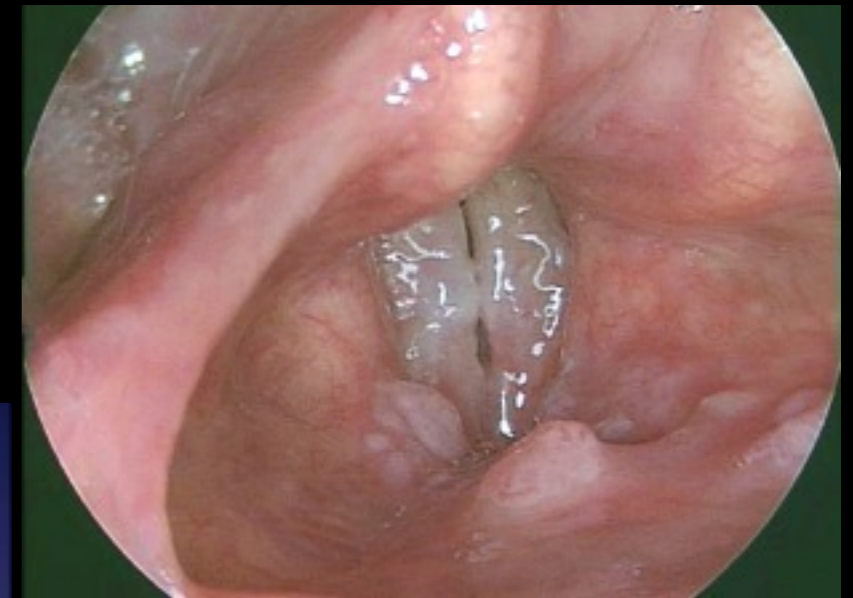
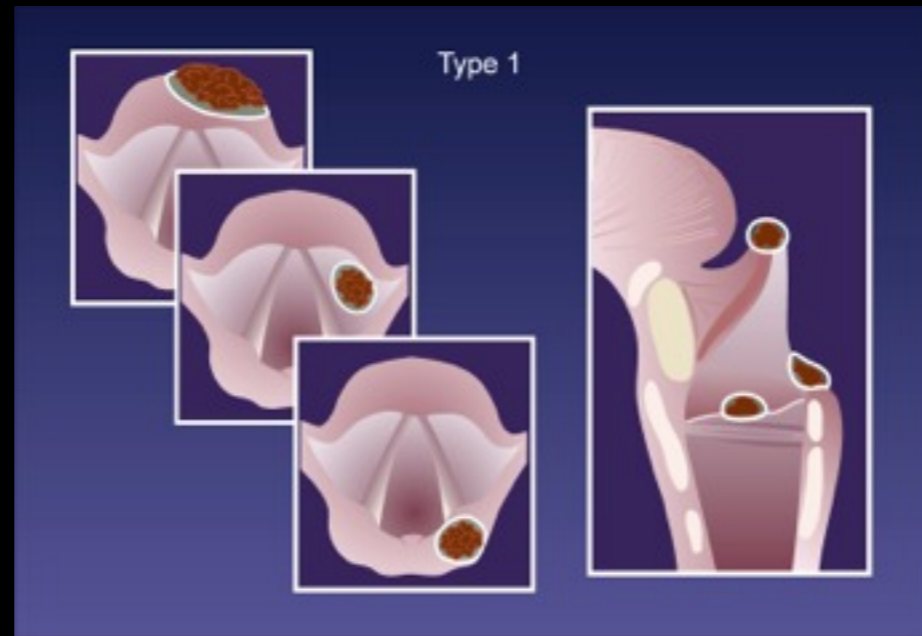
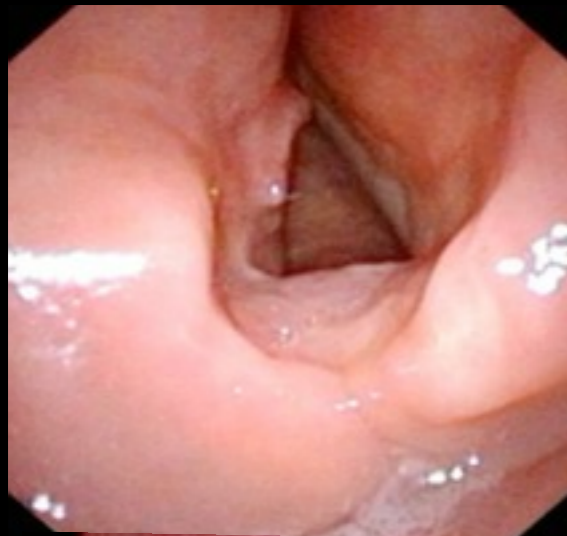


- ✓ Inadequate exposure
- ✓ Crico-arytenoid joint and/or PGS involvement
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- ✓ “Extension to the glottis”

CONTRAINDICATIONS

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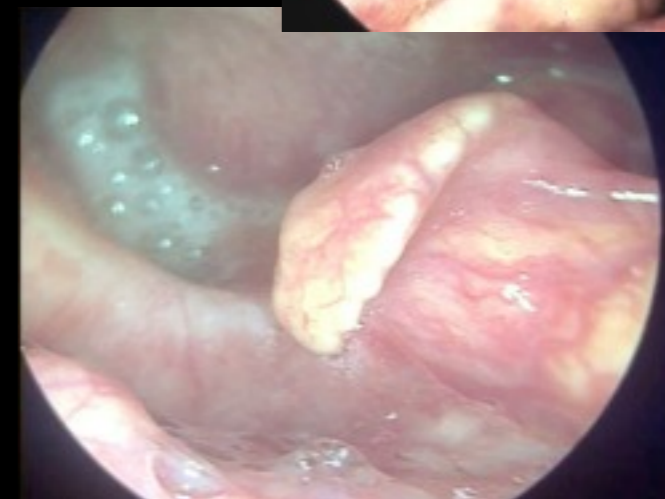
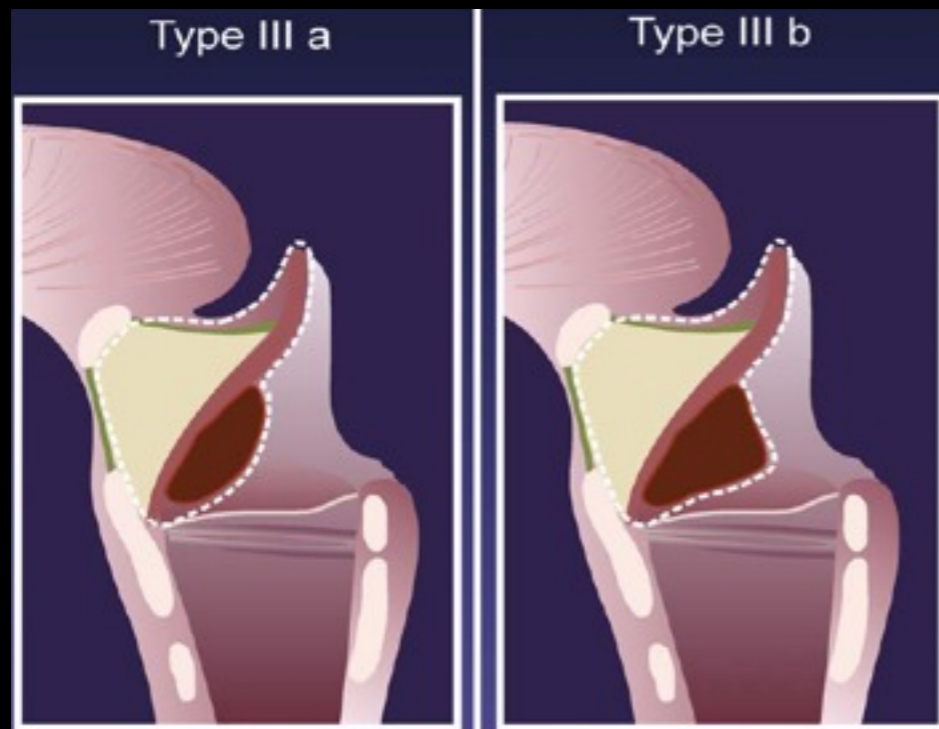
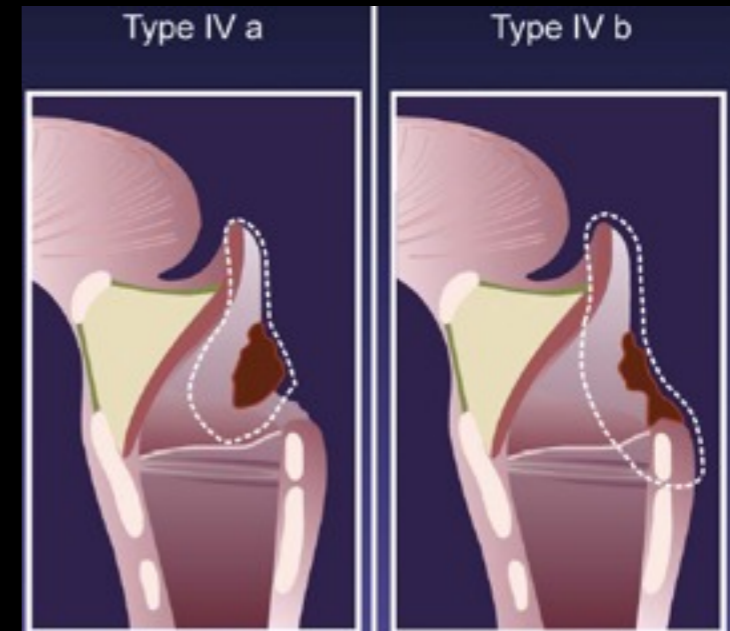
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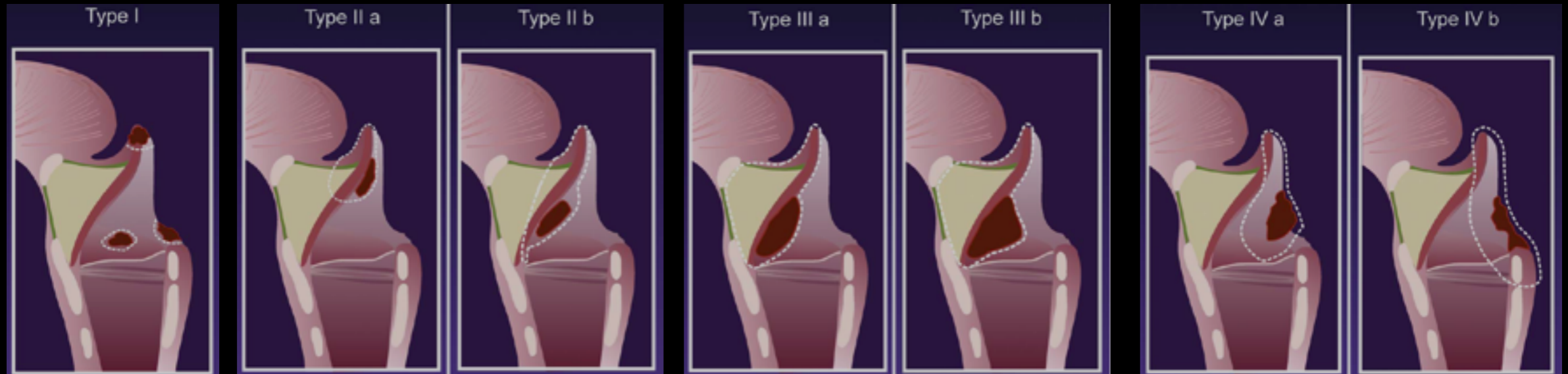
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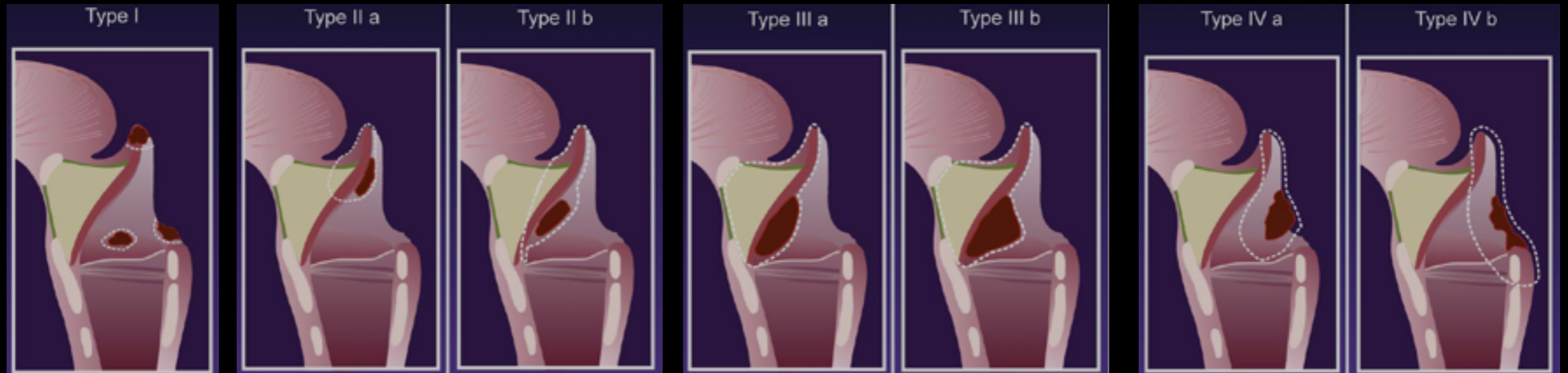


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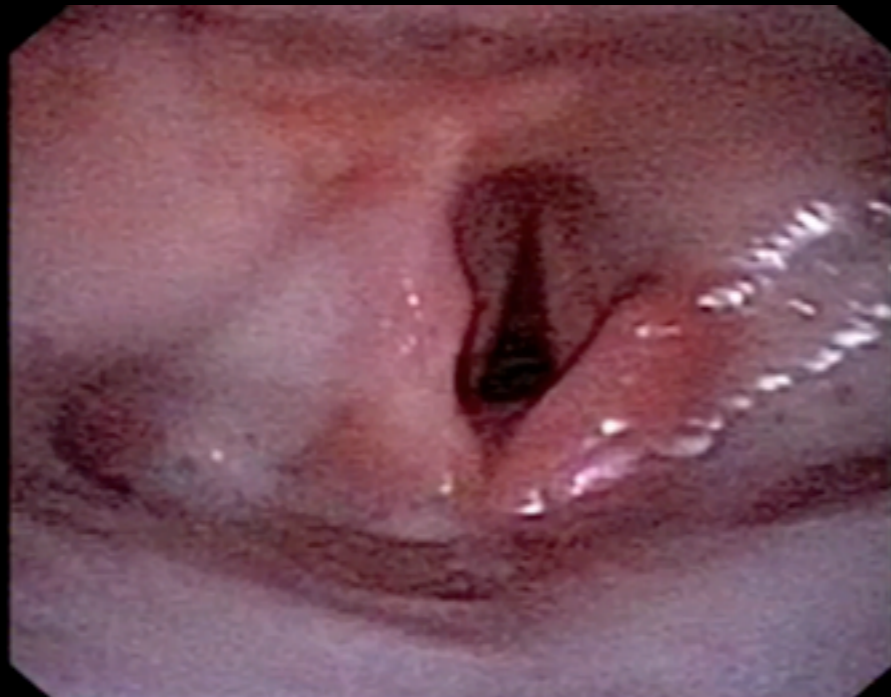
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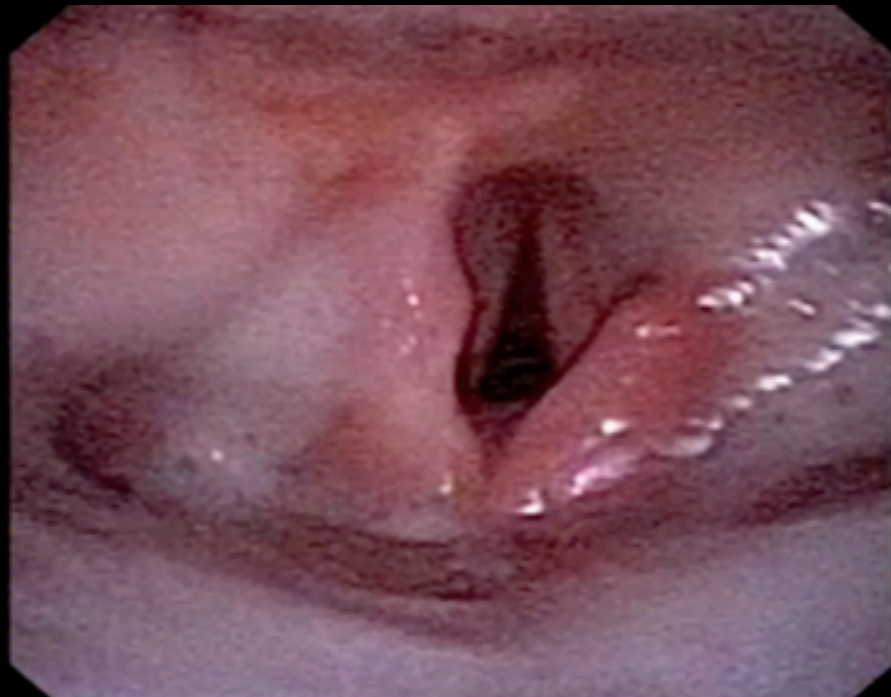
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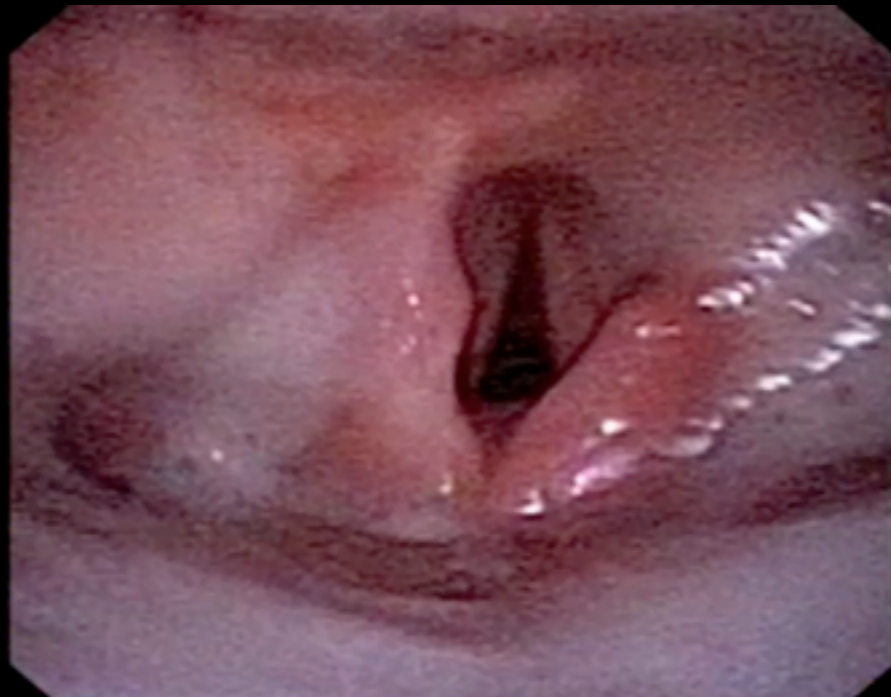
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TLM vs TORS for supraglottic laryngectomy

10 patients each technique

20% TORS candidates have a **difficult laryngeal exposure** with consequent switch to TLM

If there is a **good exposure** en bloc resection is easier with TORS

Post-op dysphagia and pain were more frequent in TORS

More positive margins in TORS

More thermal damage TORS than with CO2 laser?

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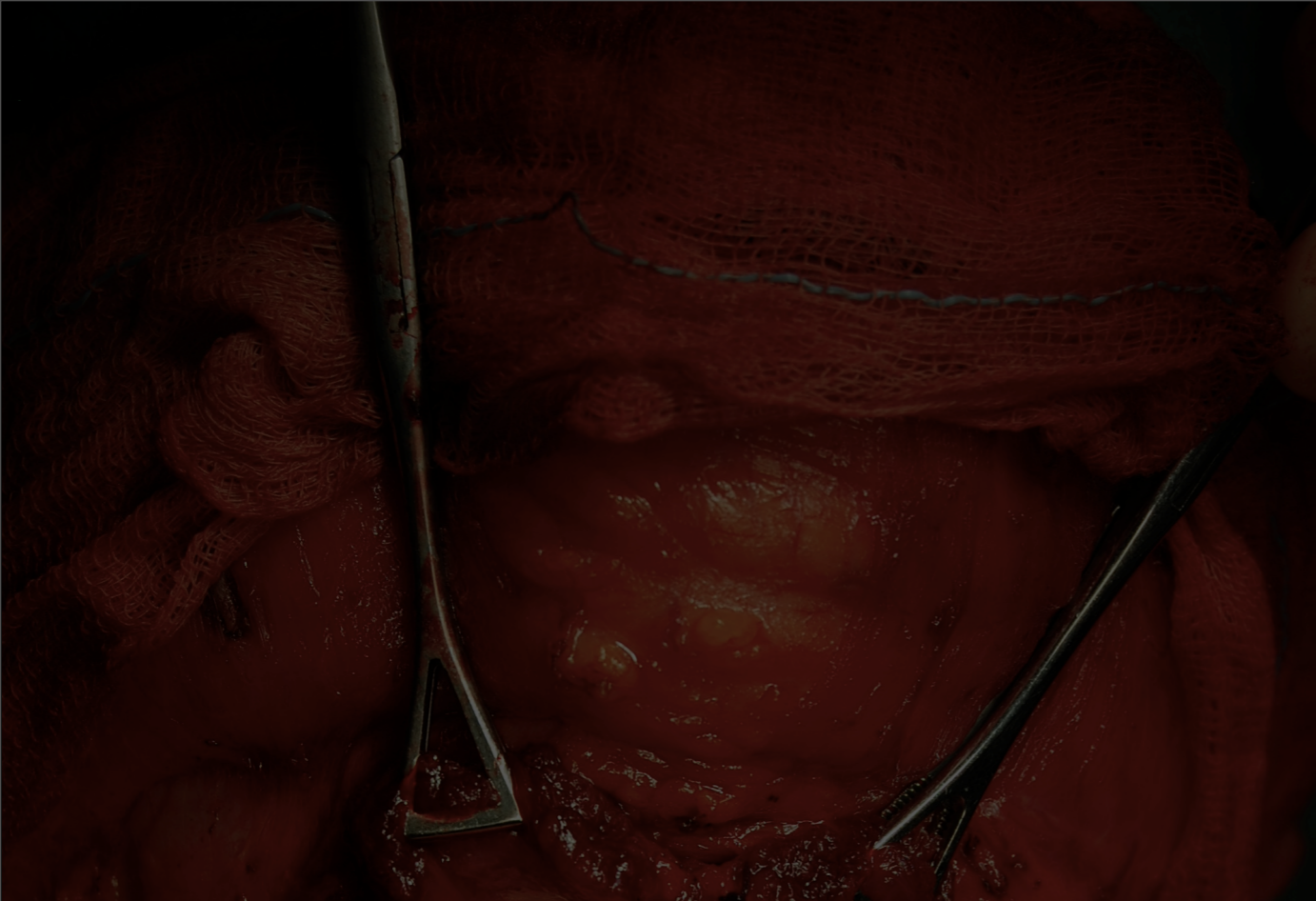
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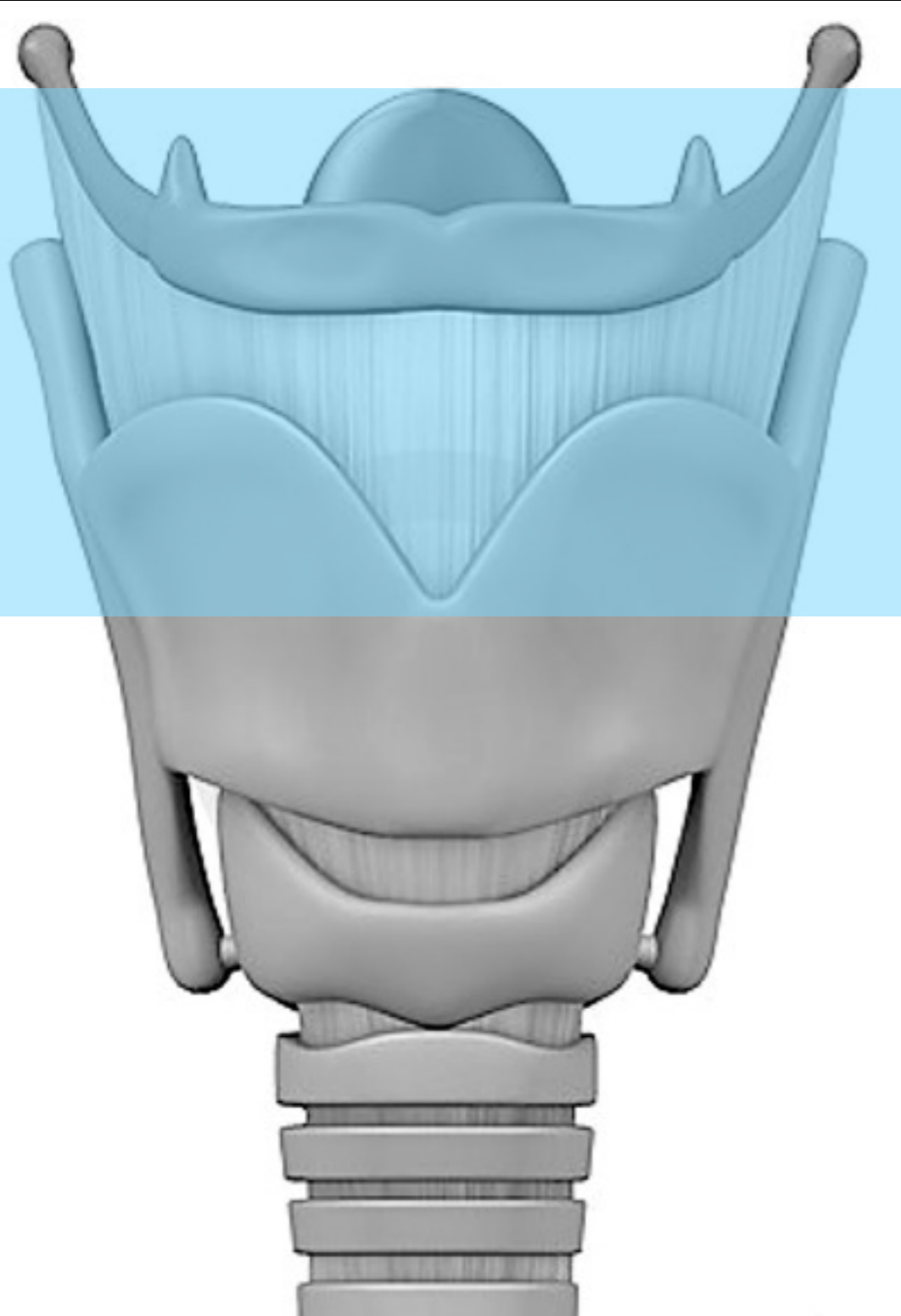


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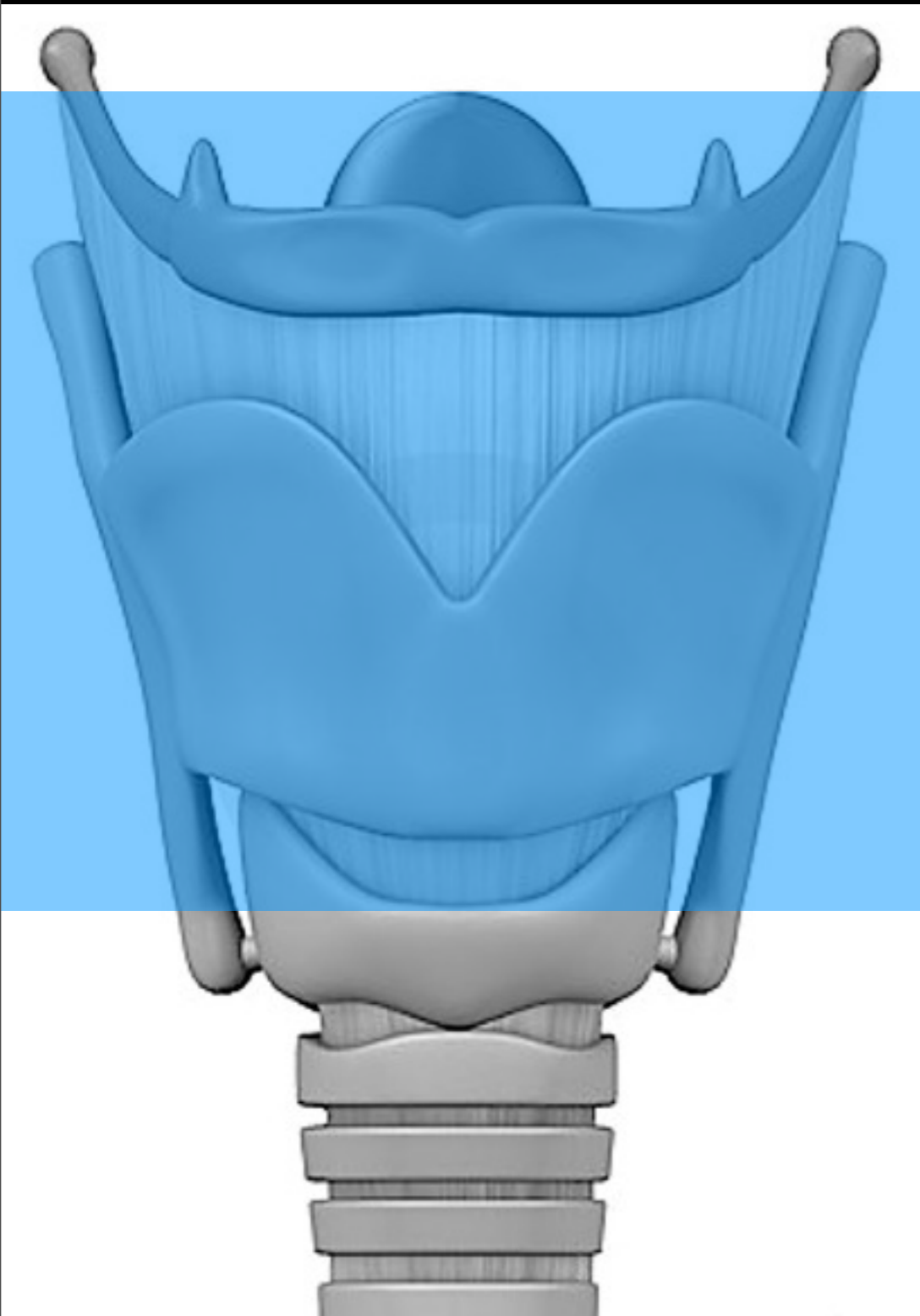


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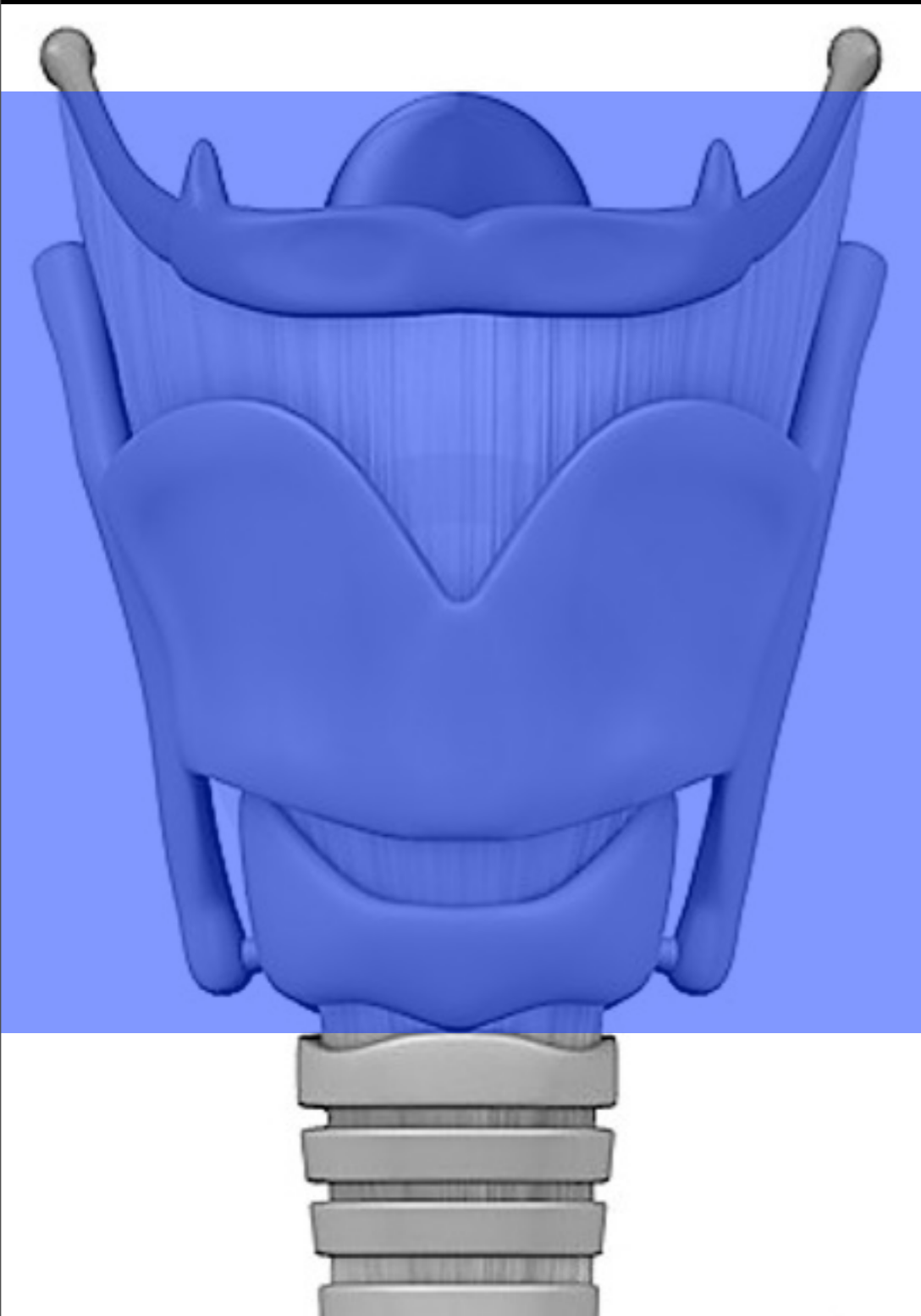
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Type 3:
Supratracheal Laryngectomy

OPEN-NECK CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

Supraglottic Laryngectomy

INDICATIONS

- ✓ Supraglottic T2-3 with extension limited to the upper medial wall of the pyriform sinus or mucosa of the base of the tongue
- ✓ Supraglottic T3 with PES involvement



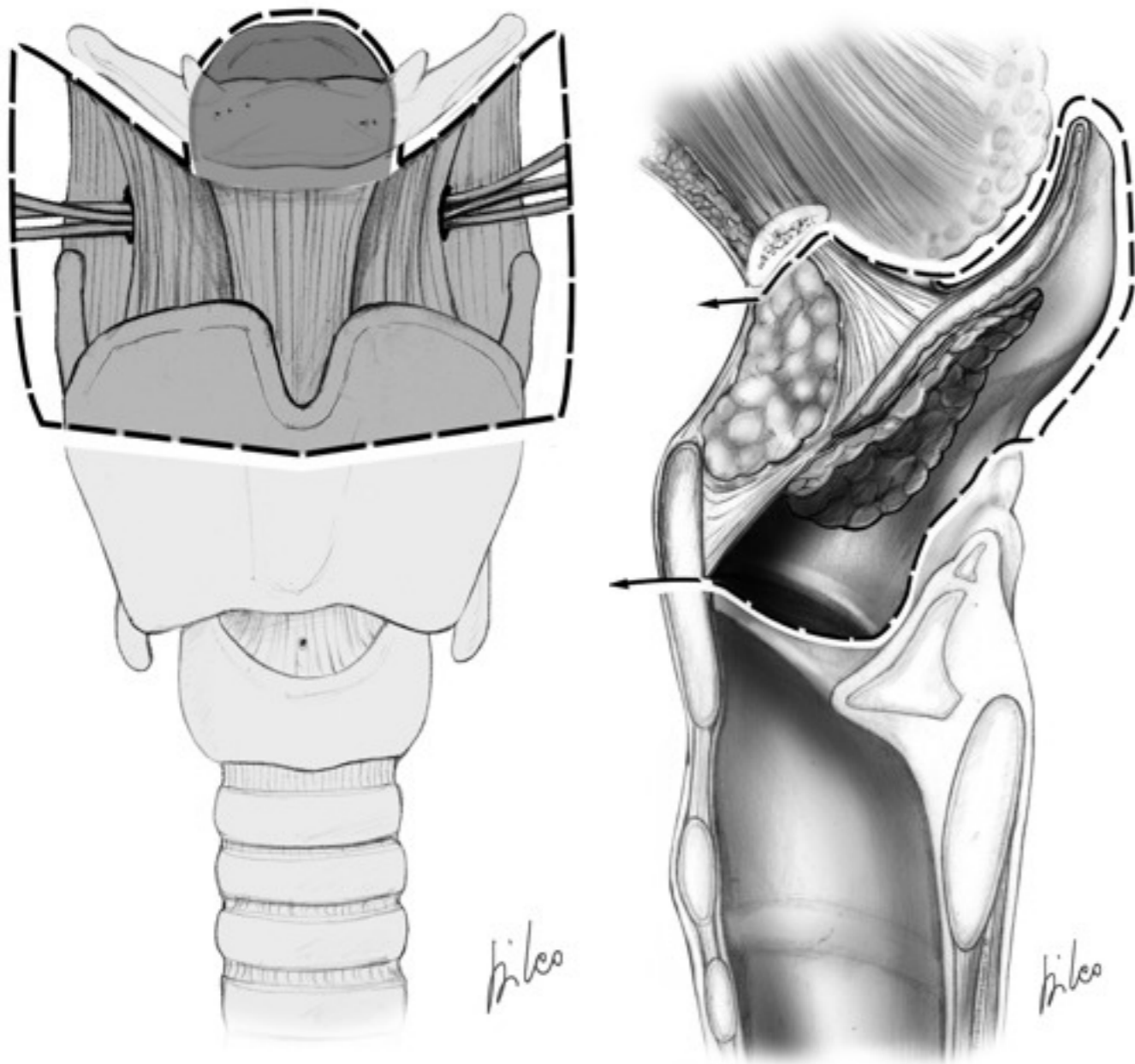
- ✓ Invasion of cricoid/thyroid cartilage
- ✓ Bilateral involvement of the ARYs
- ✓ Invasion of the PC/AC
- ✓ Fixation of the ARY/VF
- ✓ Involvement of the base of tongue closer than 1 cm to the circumvallate papillae or with impaired mobility of base of tongue



CONTRAINDICATIONS

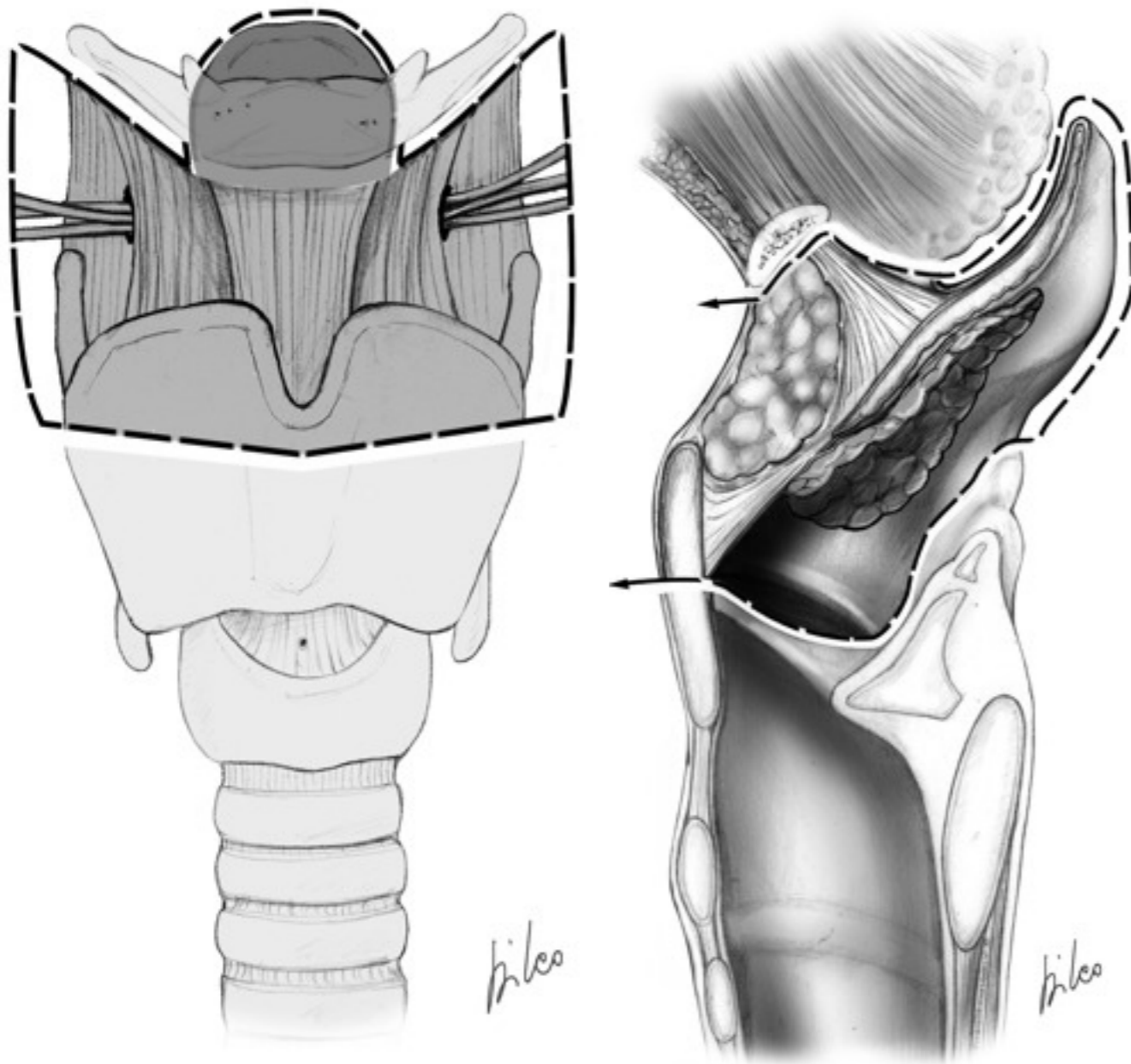
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Supracricoid Laryngectomy

INDICATIONS

- ✓ T1-2 supraglottic lesions extending to the ventricle, the posterior third of the false vocal cord, the glottis, or the AC
- ✓ T3 transglottic carcinomas
- ✓ T3 of the supraglottis with VF fixation or **massive** invasion of the PES
- ✓ Erosion of the thyroid cartilage not going beyond the outer perichondrium
- ✓ Selected glottic tumors originating at the AC with PES or supraglottic invasion



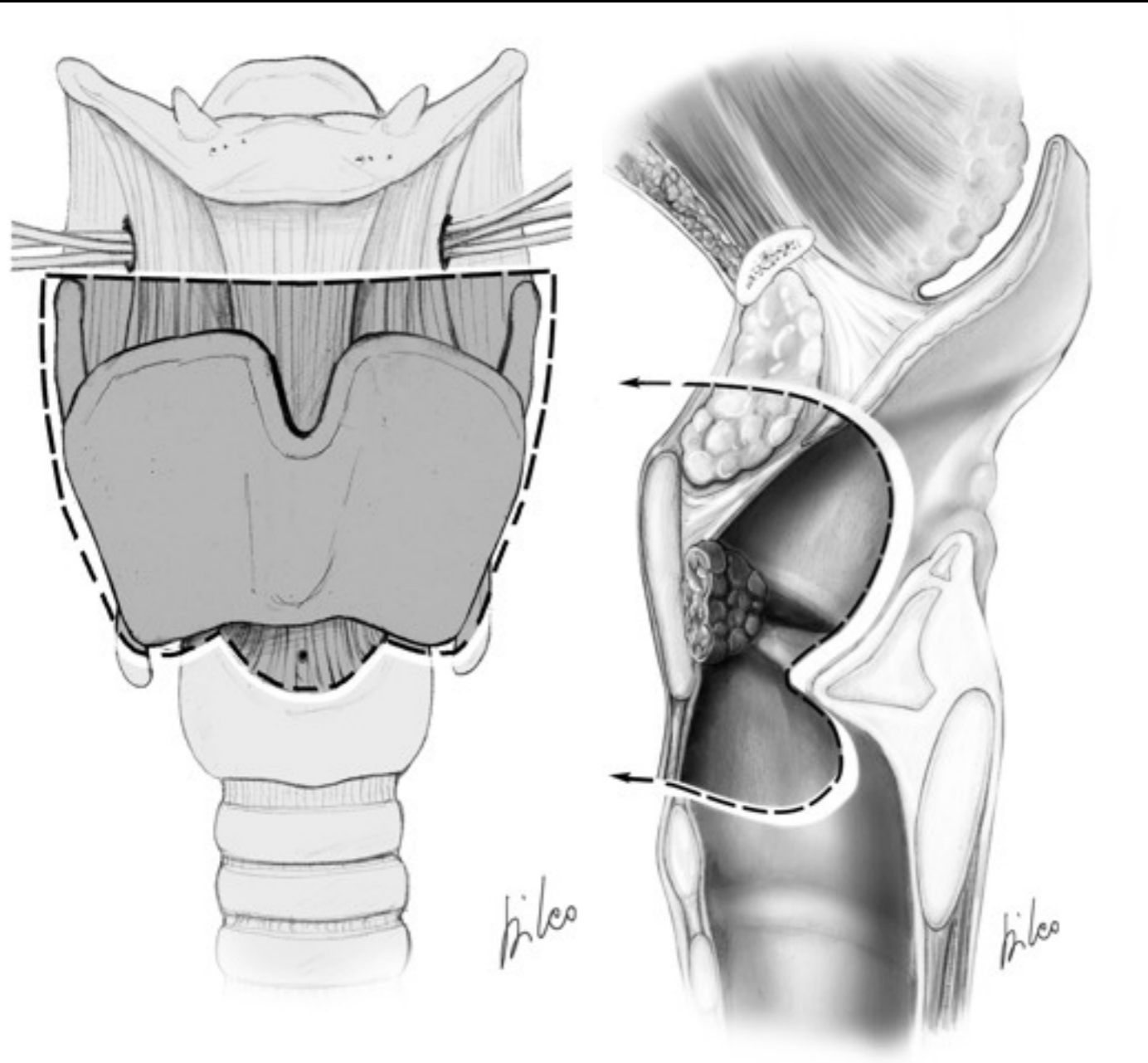
- ✓ Fixation of both ARYs
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- ✓ T4a with pre-laryngeal muscle infiltration

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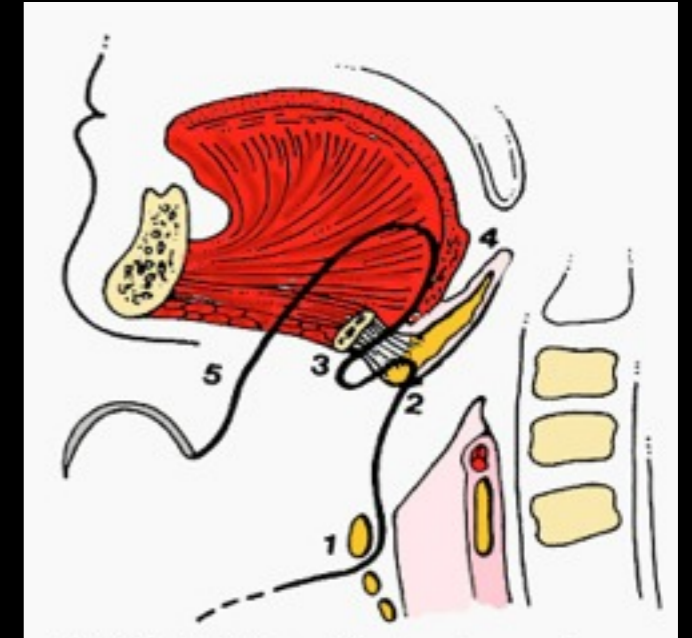


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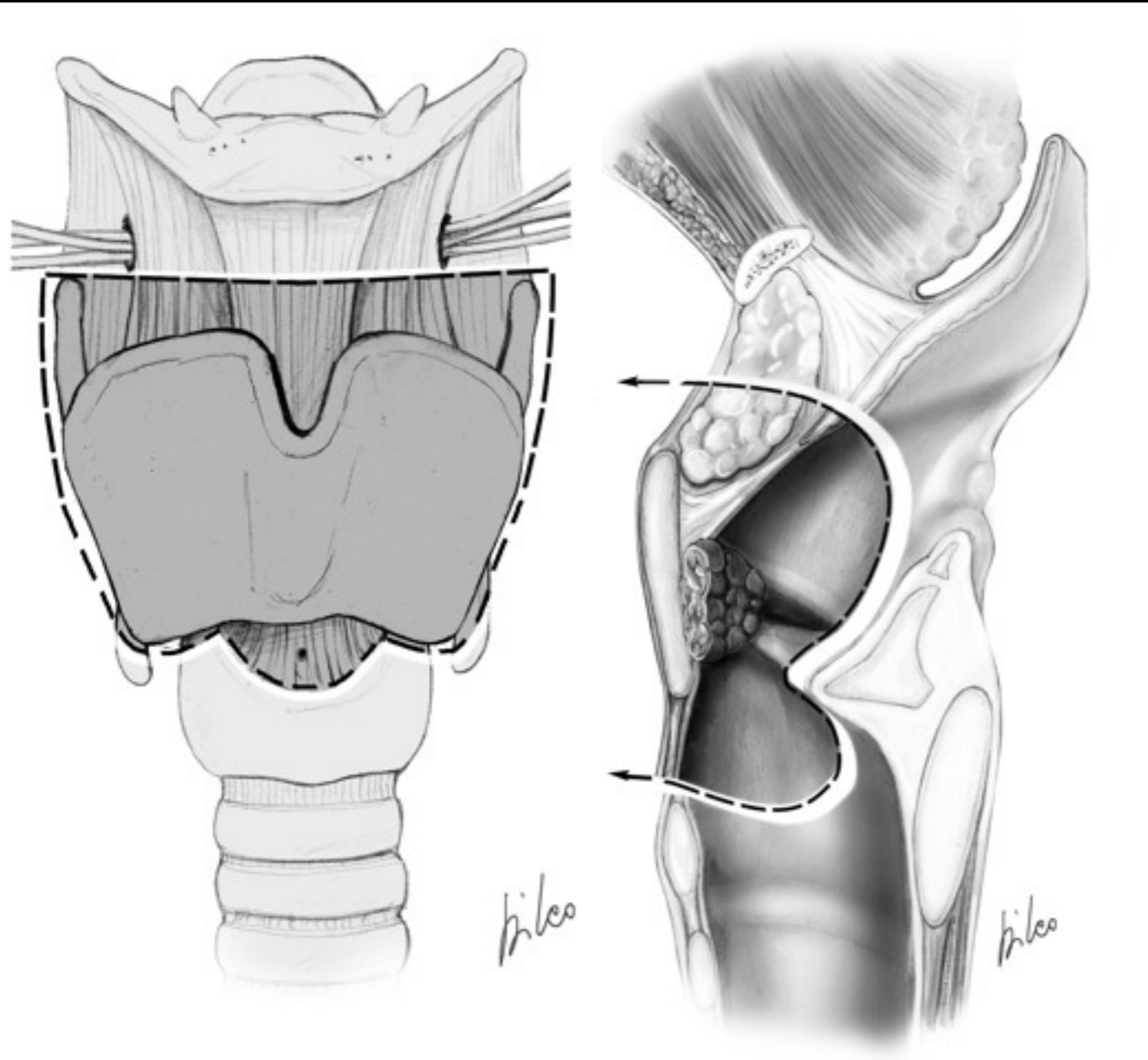


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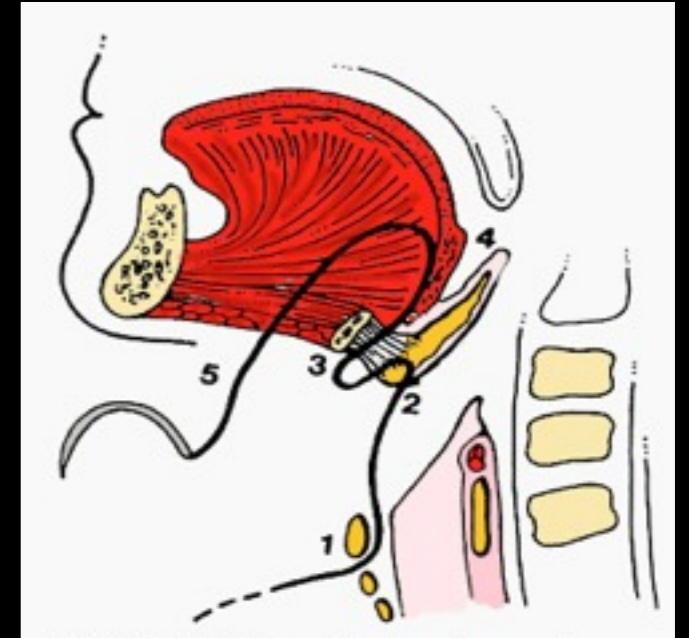


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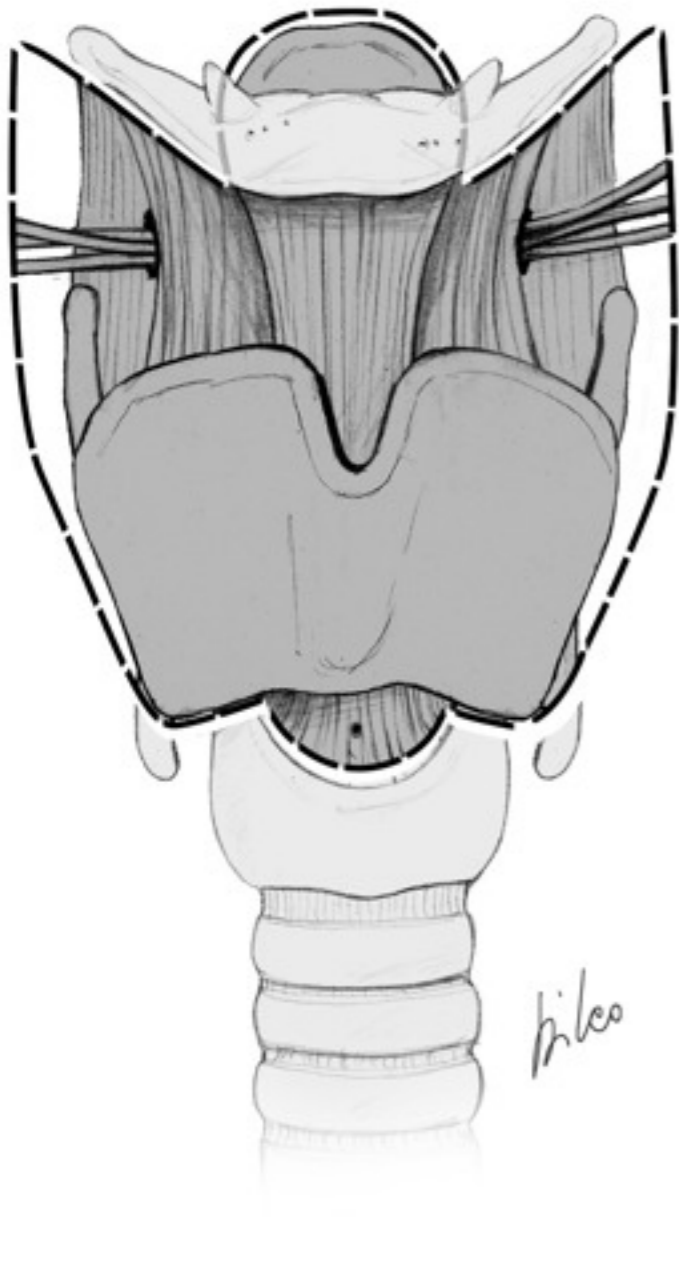


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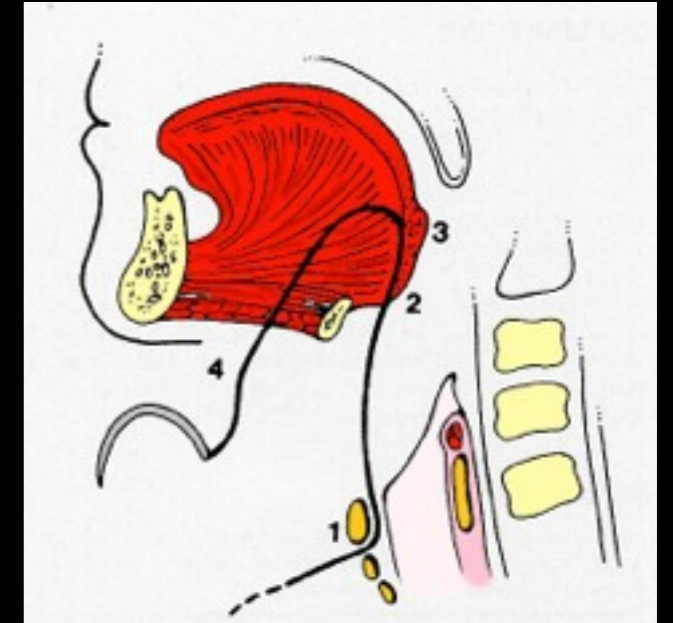


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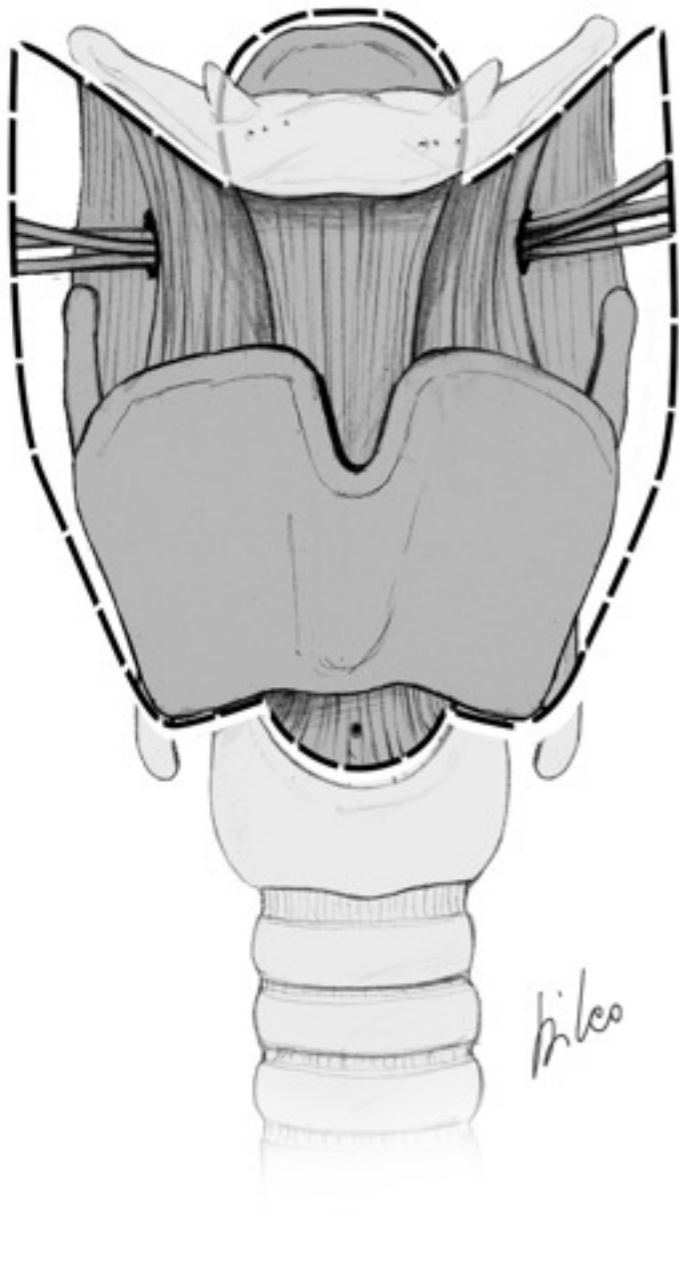


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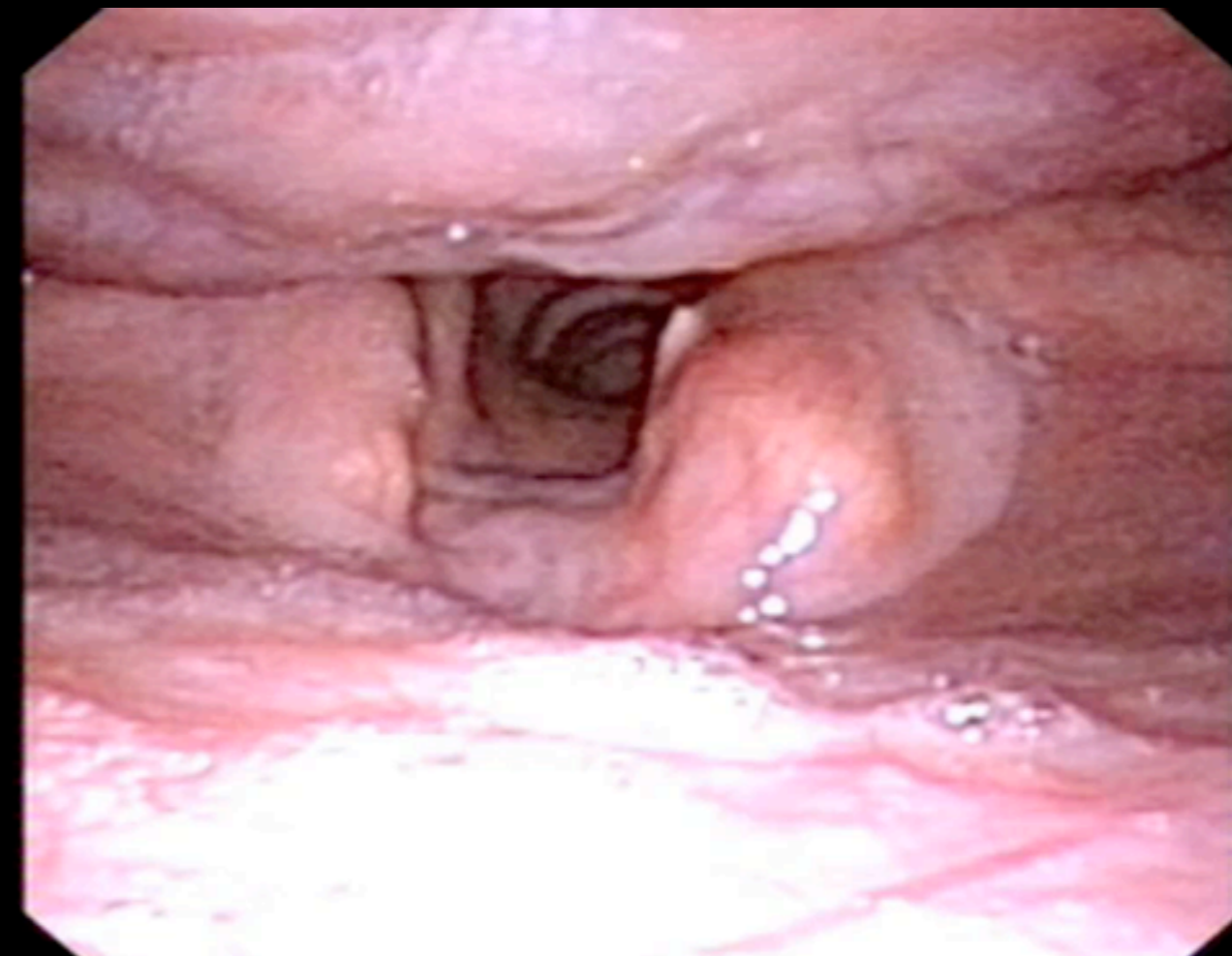
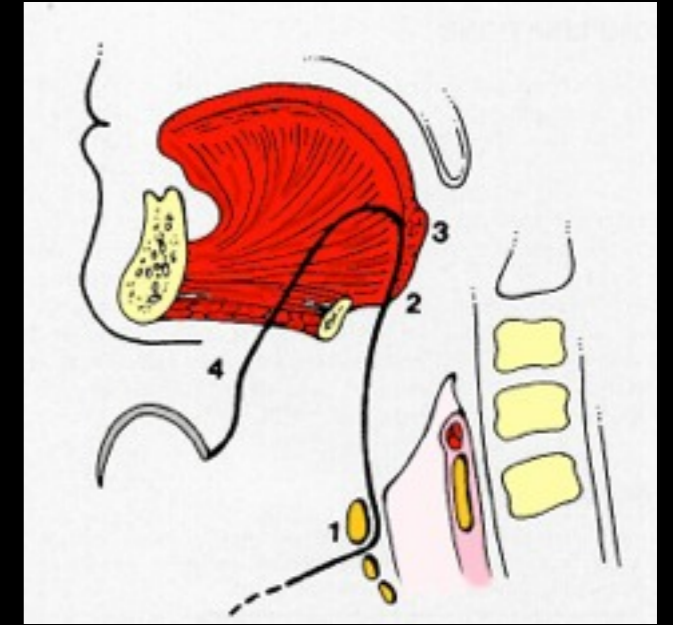


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Supratracheal Laryngectomy

INDICATIONS

- ✓ Lateral/anterior transglottic cancer with fixation of one VF and/or of one ARY, with normal mobility of the opposite one
- ✓ Subglottic extension reaching the superior border of cricoid cartilage
- ✓ Posterior PGS invasion
- ✓ Cricoid cartilage erosion



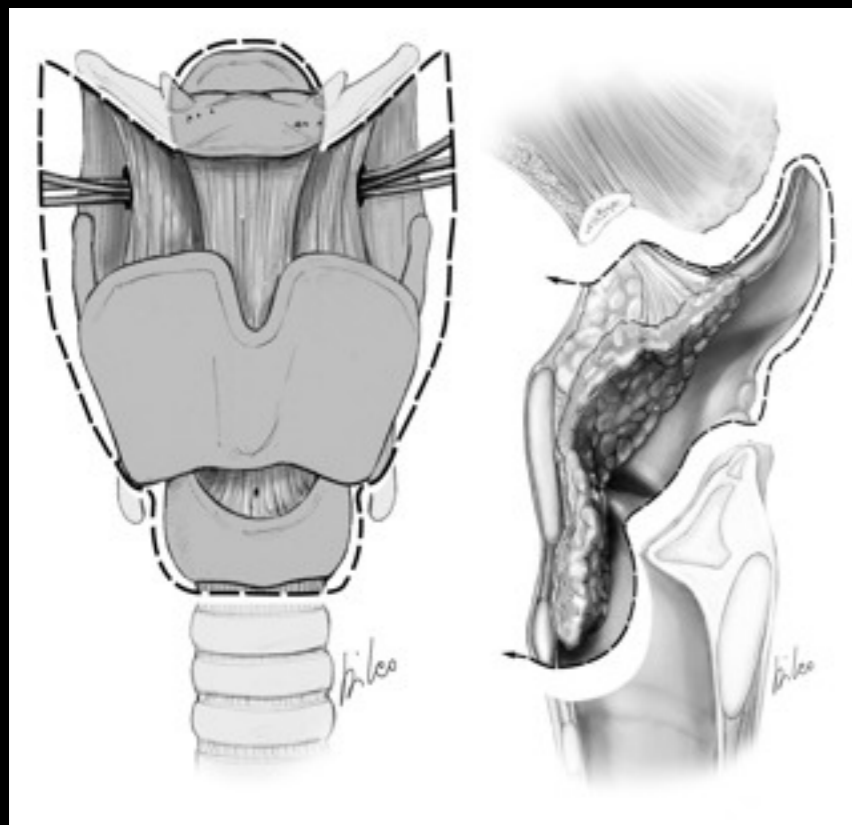
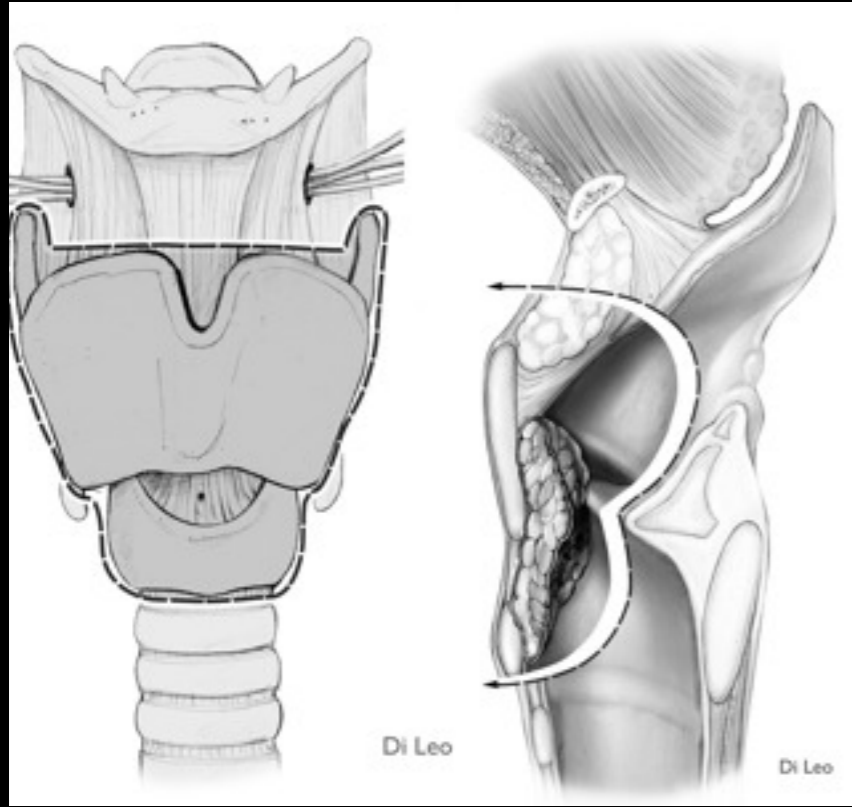
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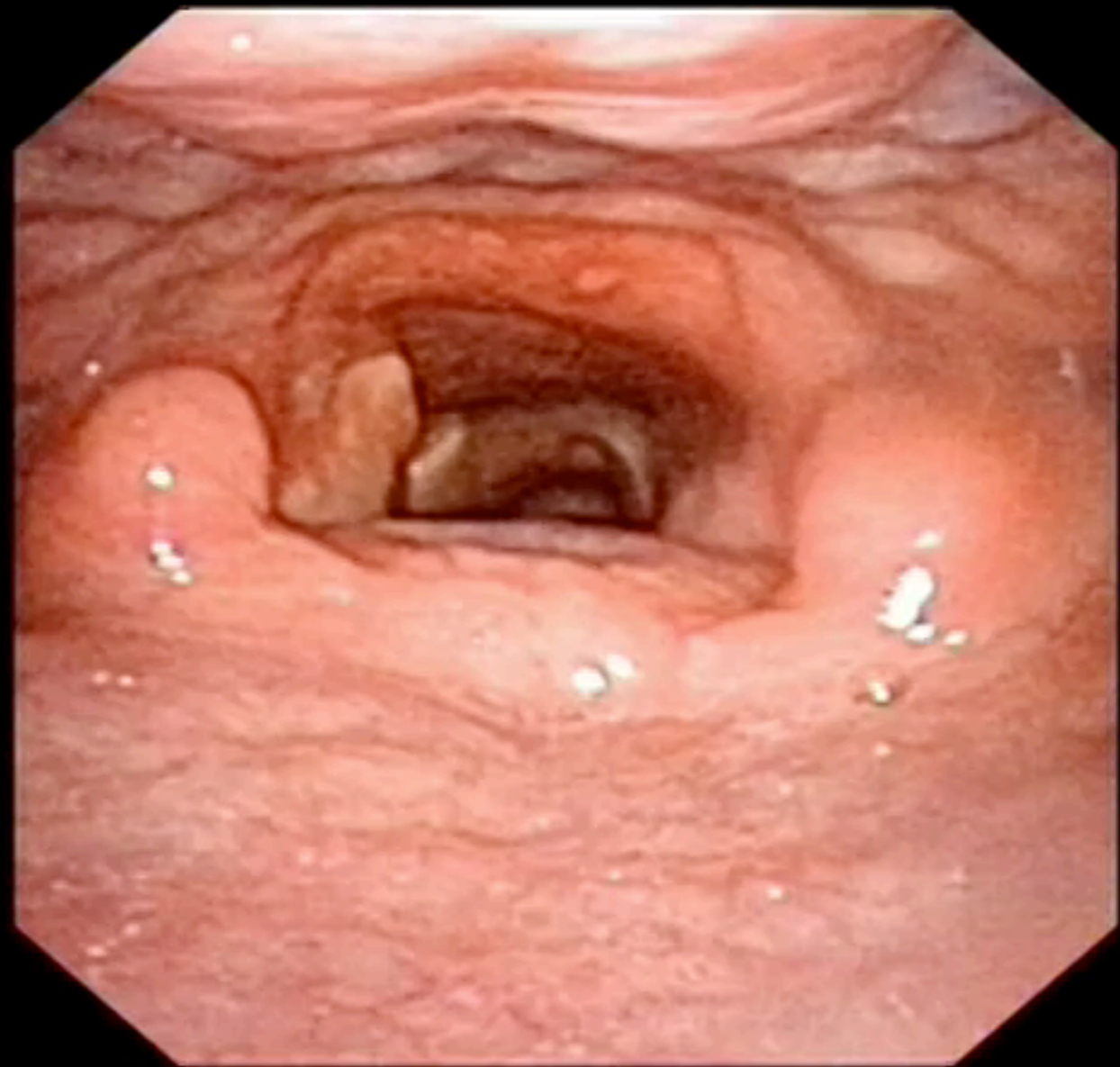
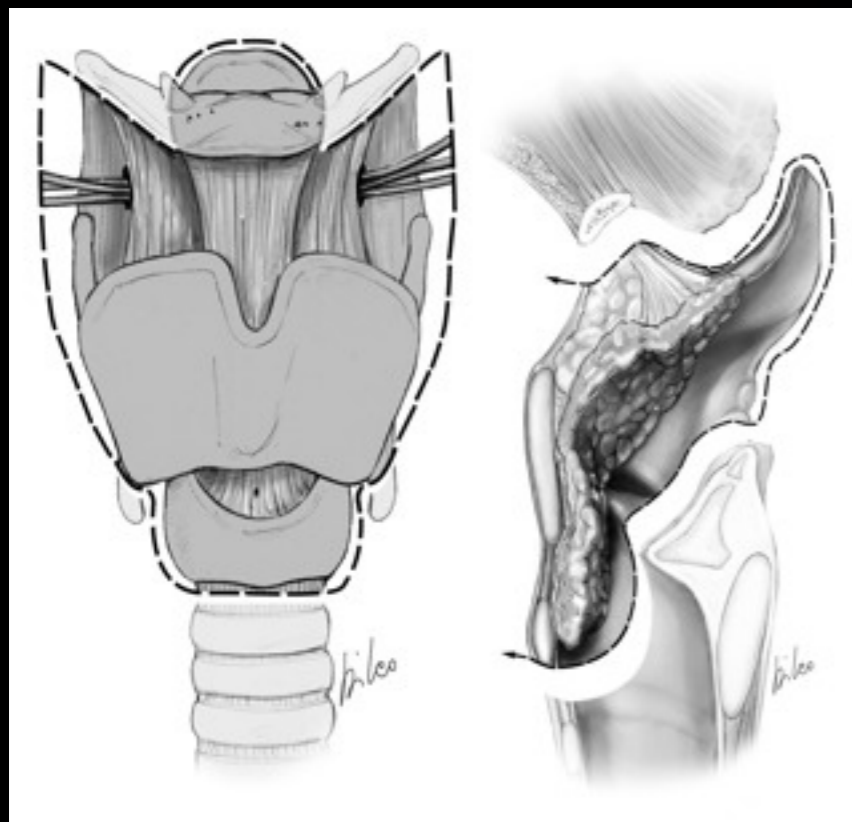
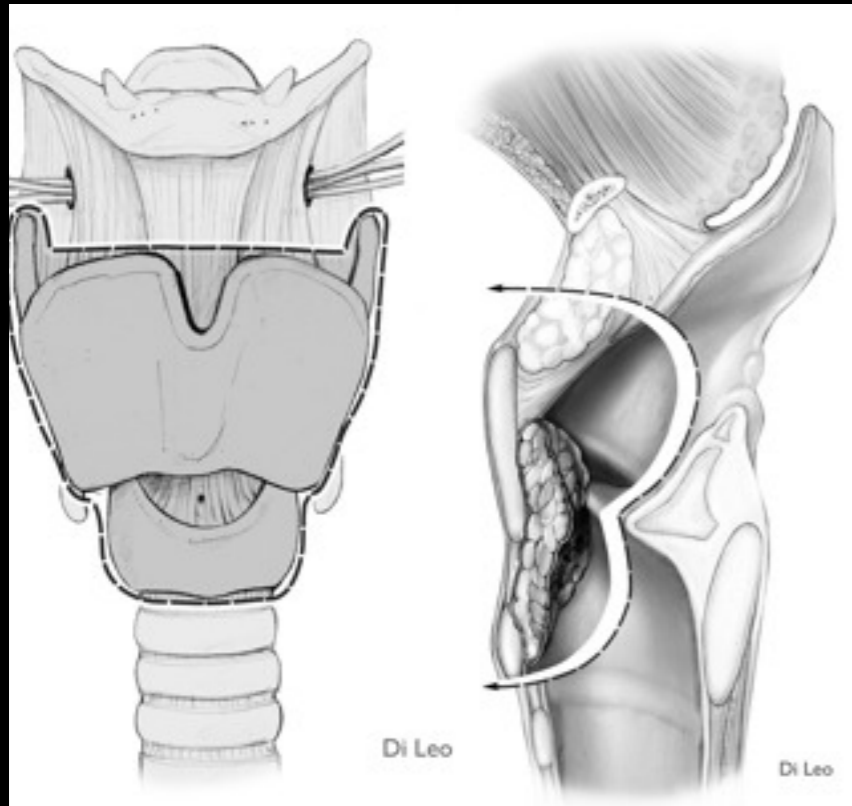
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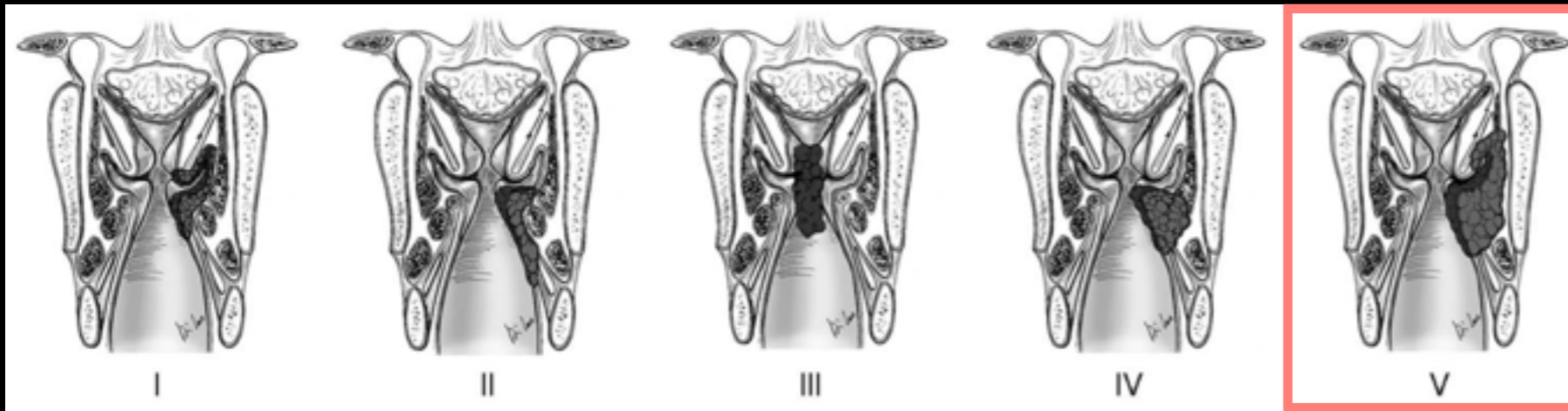


OPEN-NECK CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

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Part A: **Early-intermediate** stage glottic carcinoma

Succo et al. Head Neck 2015



cT2 tumors

216 patients

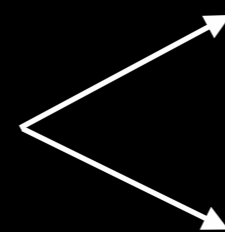
Overall Survival 93.1%

Local Control 97.5%

Upstaging (cT2/pT3) in **16.7%**

Optimal survival

Even in more aggressive disease

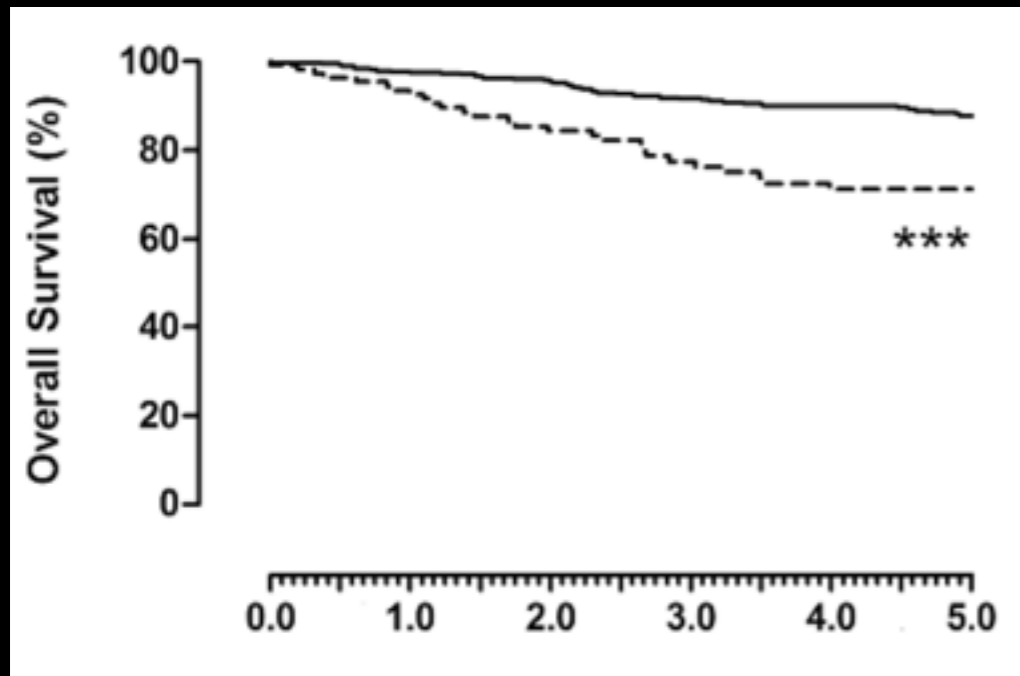


pT2 with vocal cord fixation

cT2/pT3 for PGS involvement

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pT3
pT4a

cT3/cT4a tumors

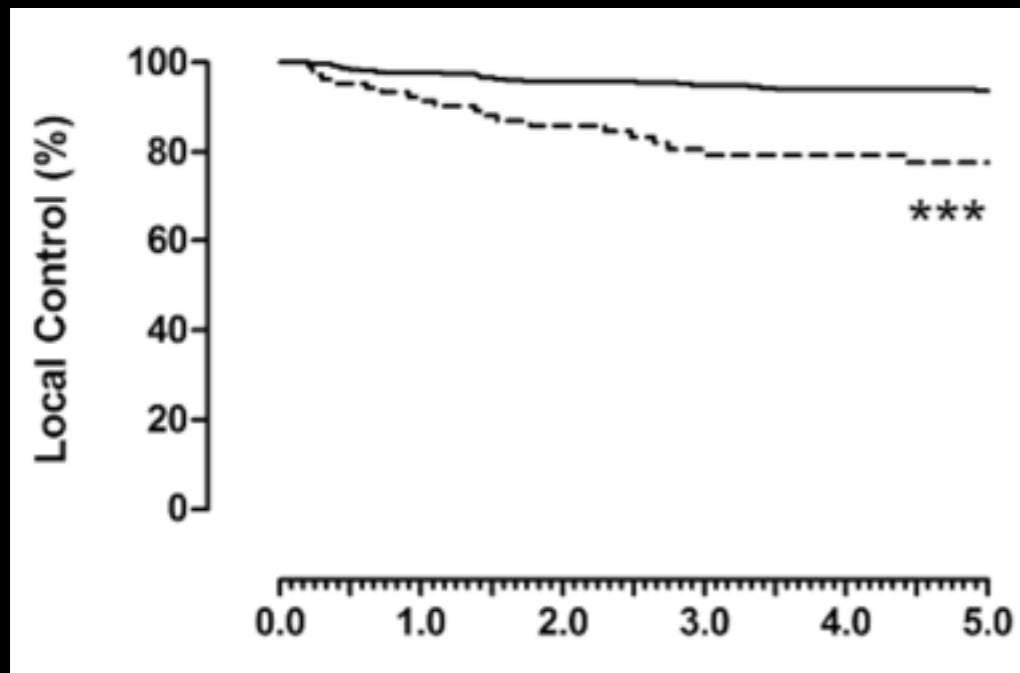
555 patients

442 pT3

113 pT4a



12.9% adjuvant RT



pT3
pT4a

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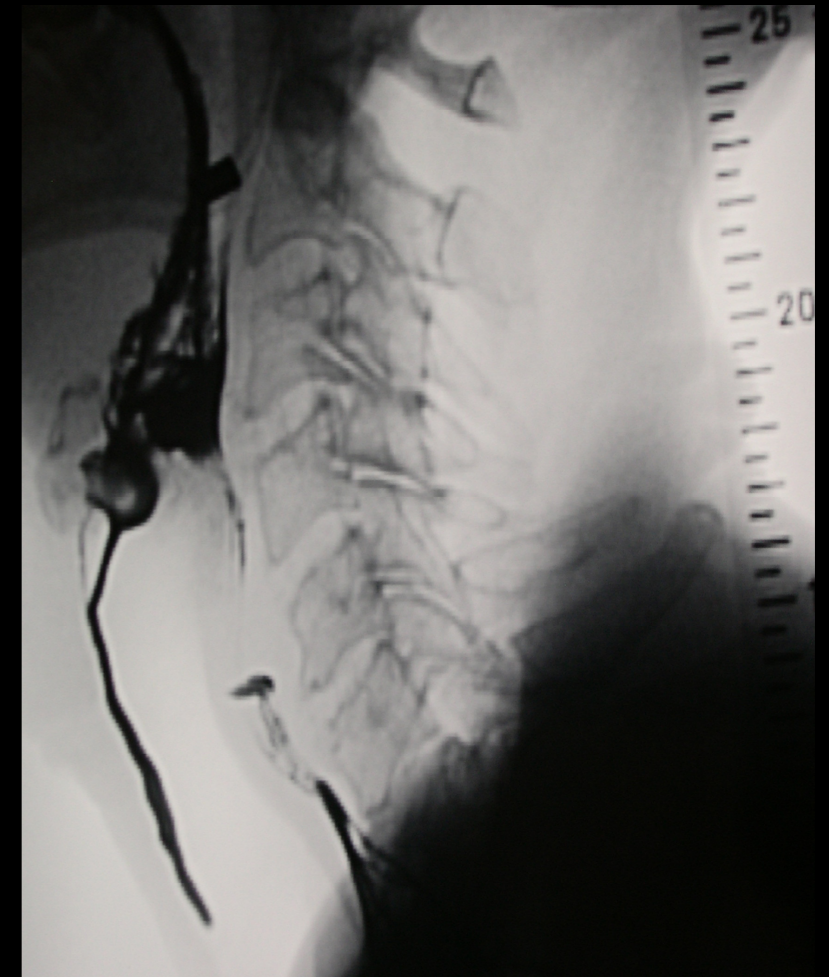
Late sequelae

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| Laryngeal soft tissue stenosis | 54/555 (9.7%) |
| Aspiration pneumonia | 25/555 (4.5%) |
| Dyspnea | 6/555 (1.1%) |

OPEN-NECK CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

FUNCTIONAL RESULTS

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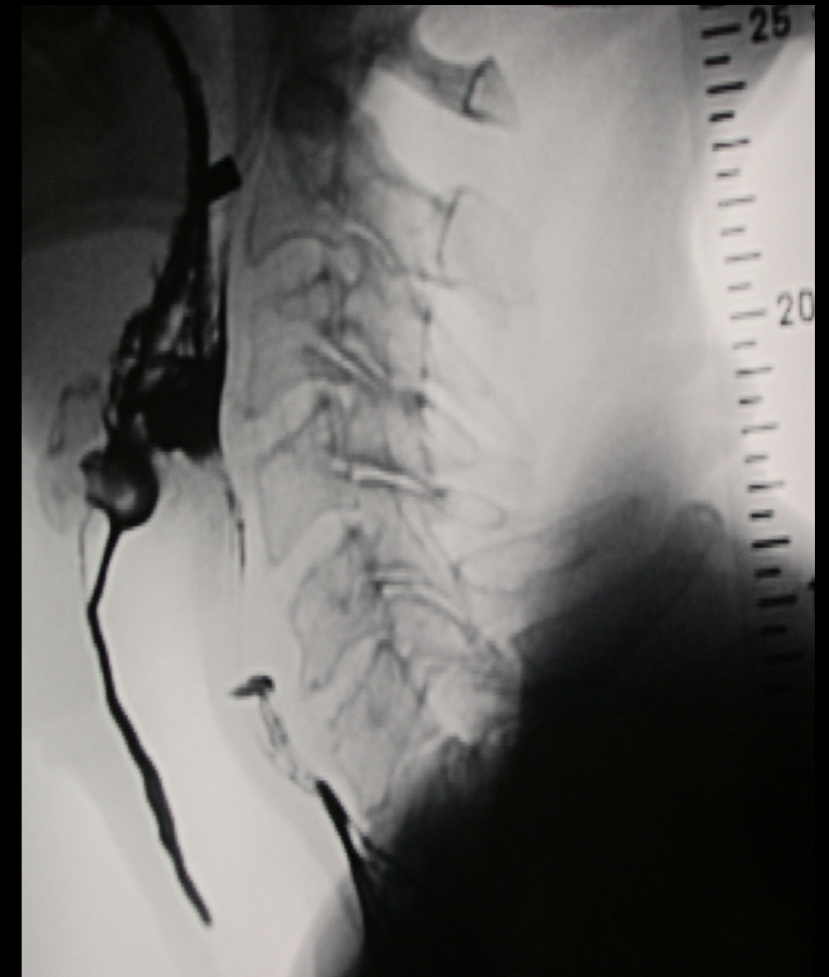
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Laryngeal function preservation: **91.2%**

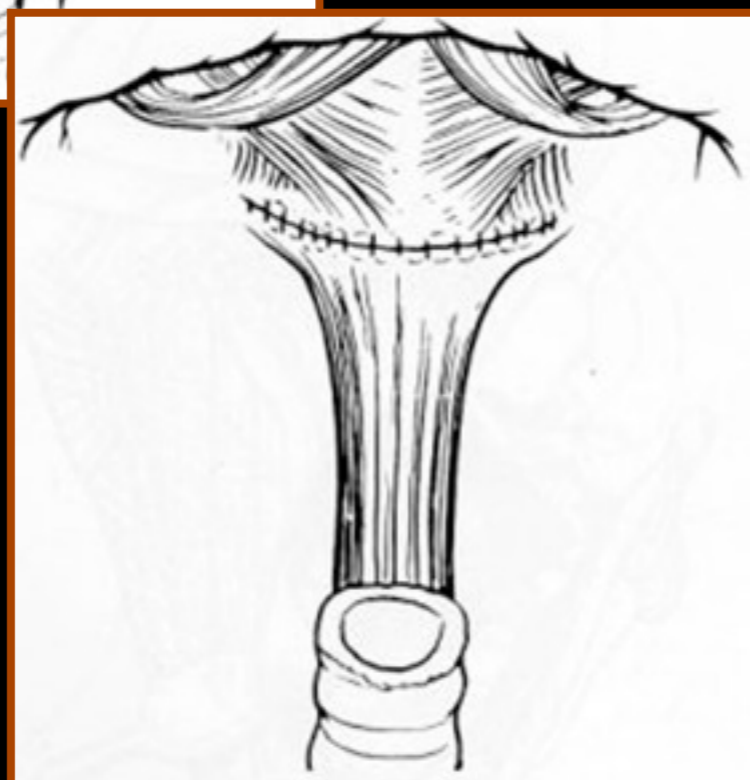
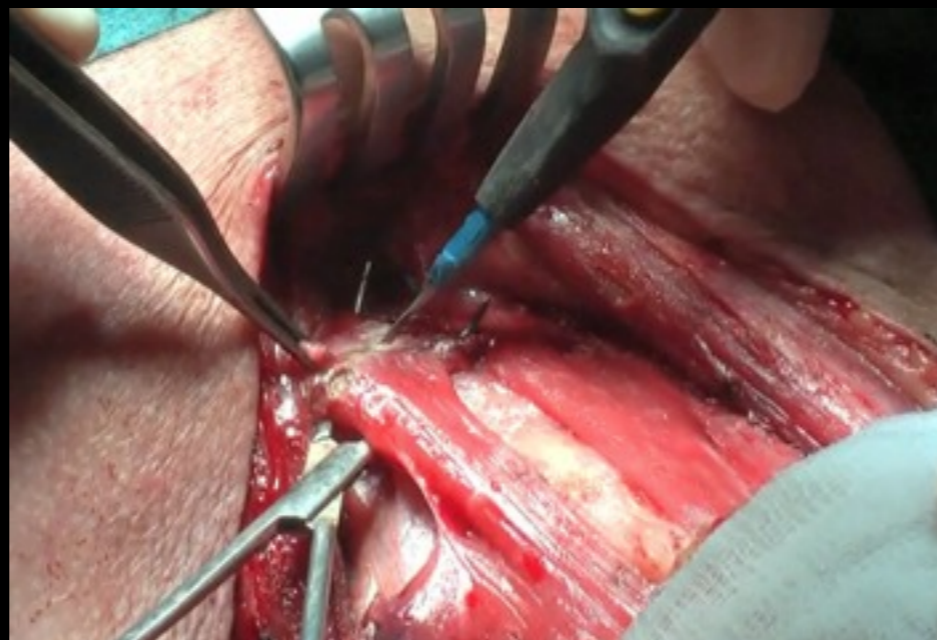
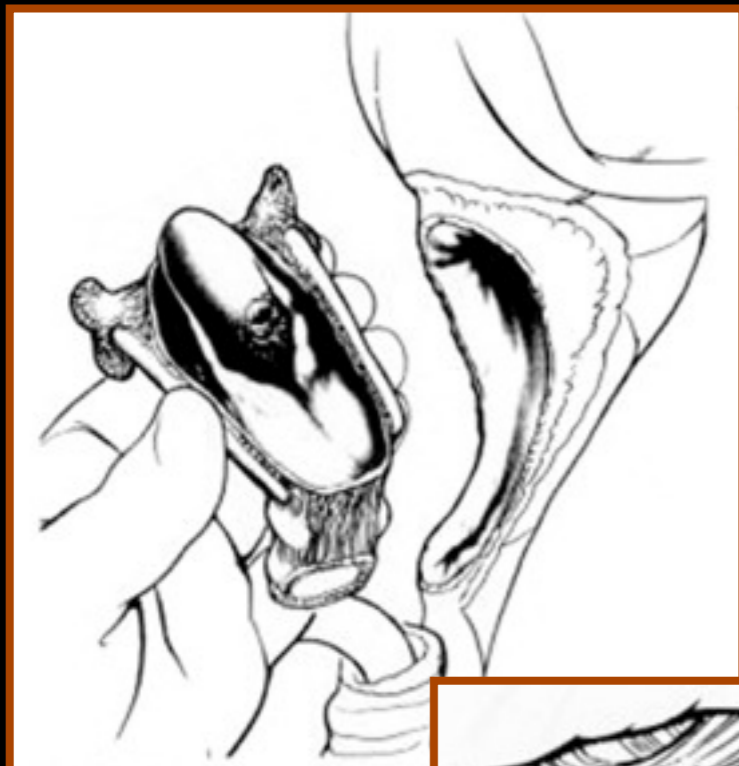
Laryngectomy free survival: **93.3%**

Permanent gastrostomy: **1.4%**

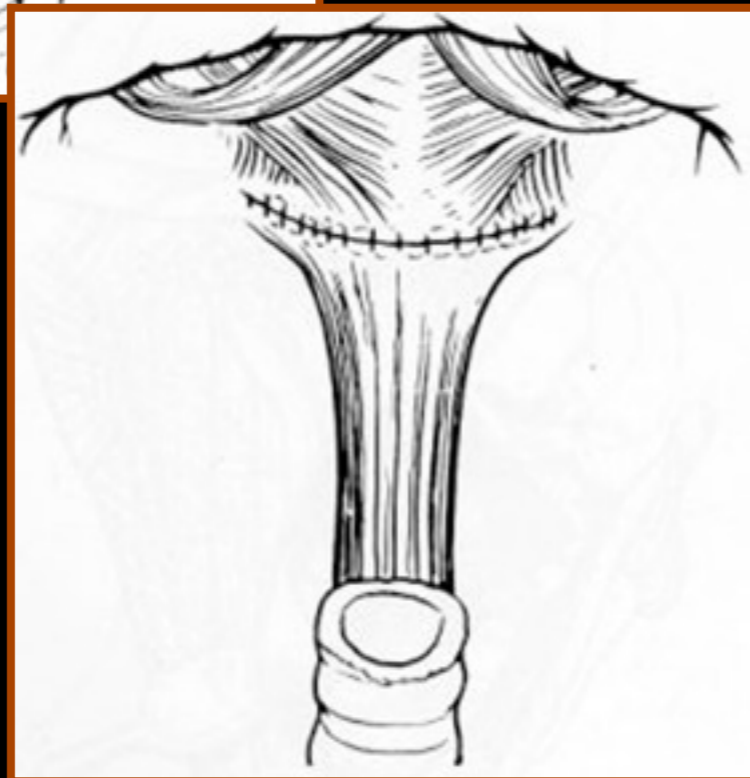
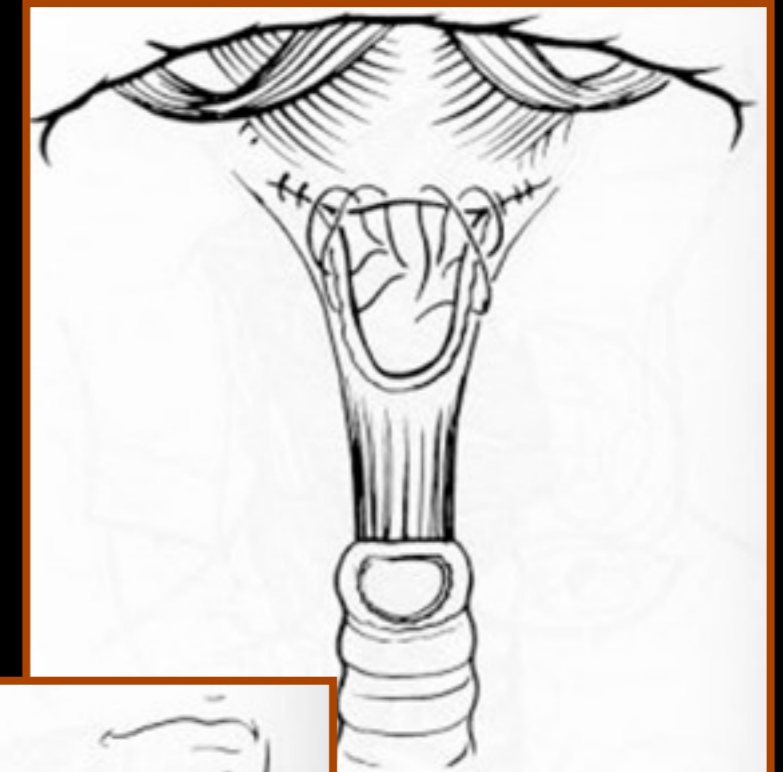


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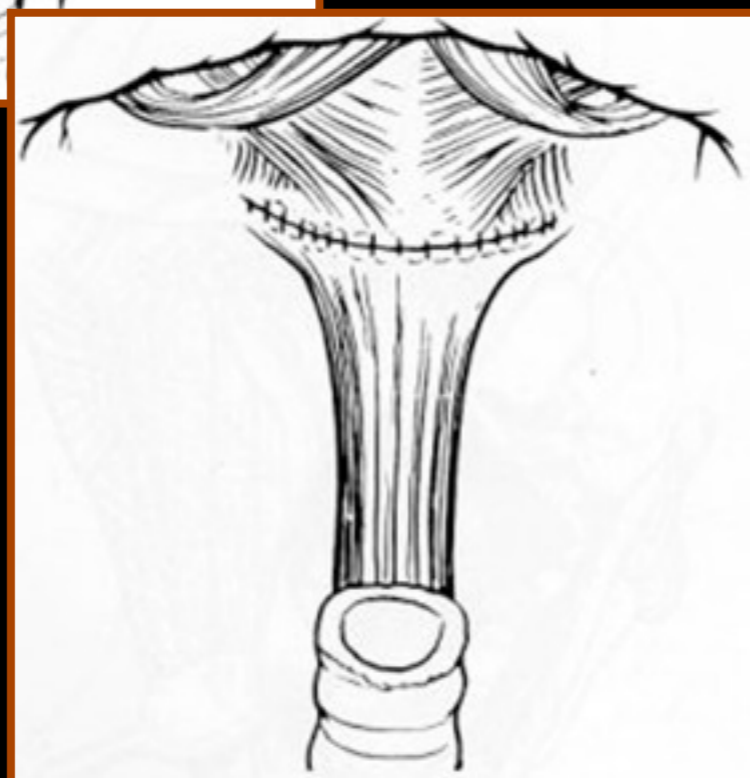
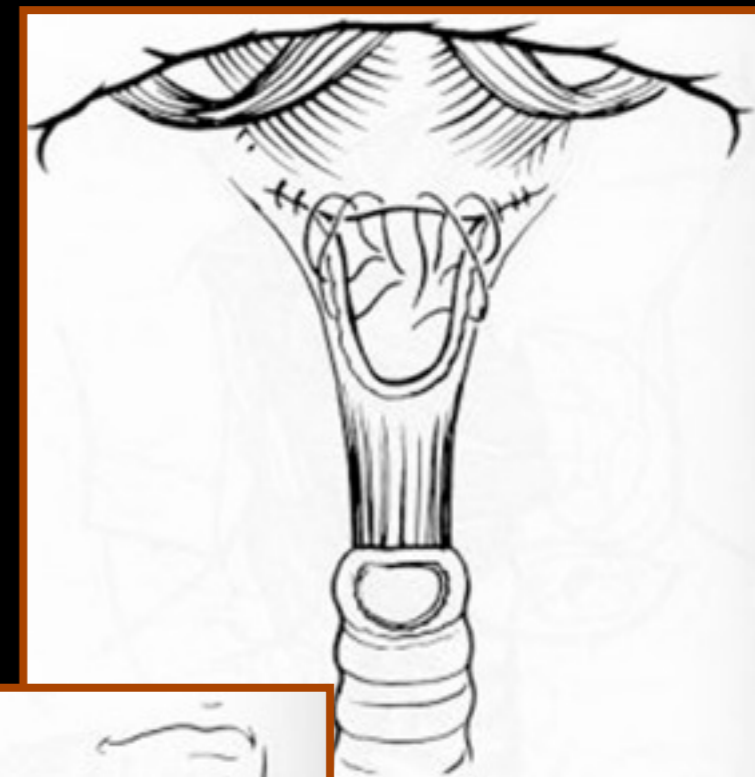
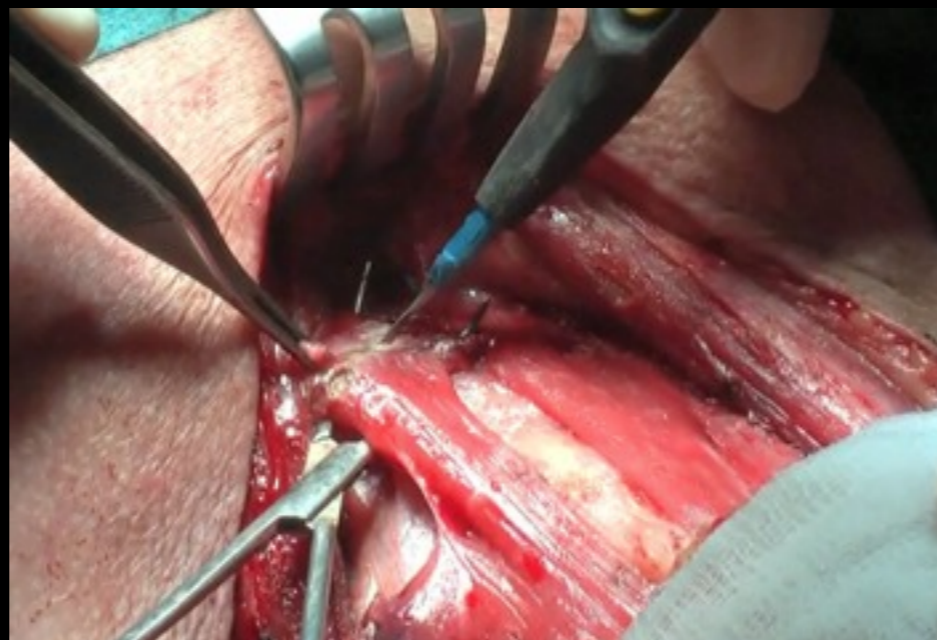
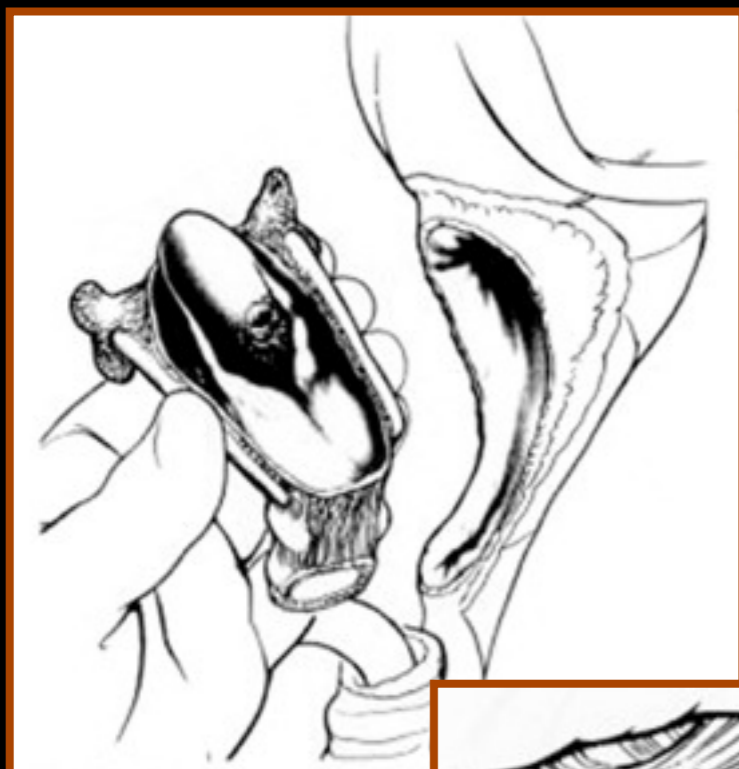
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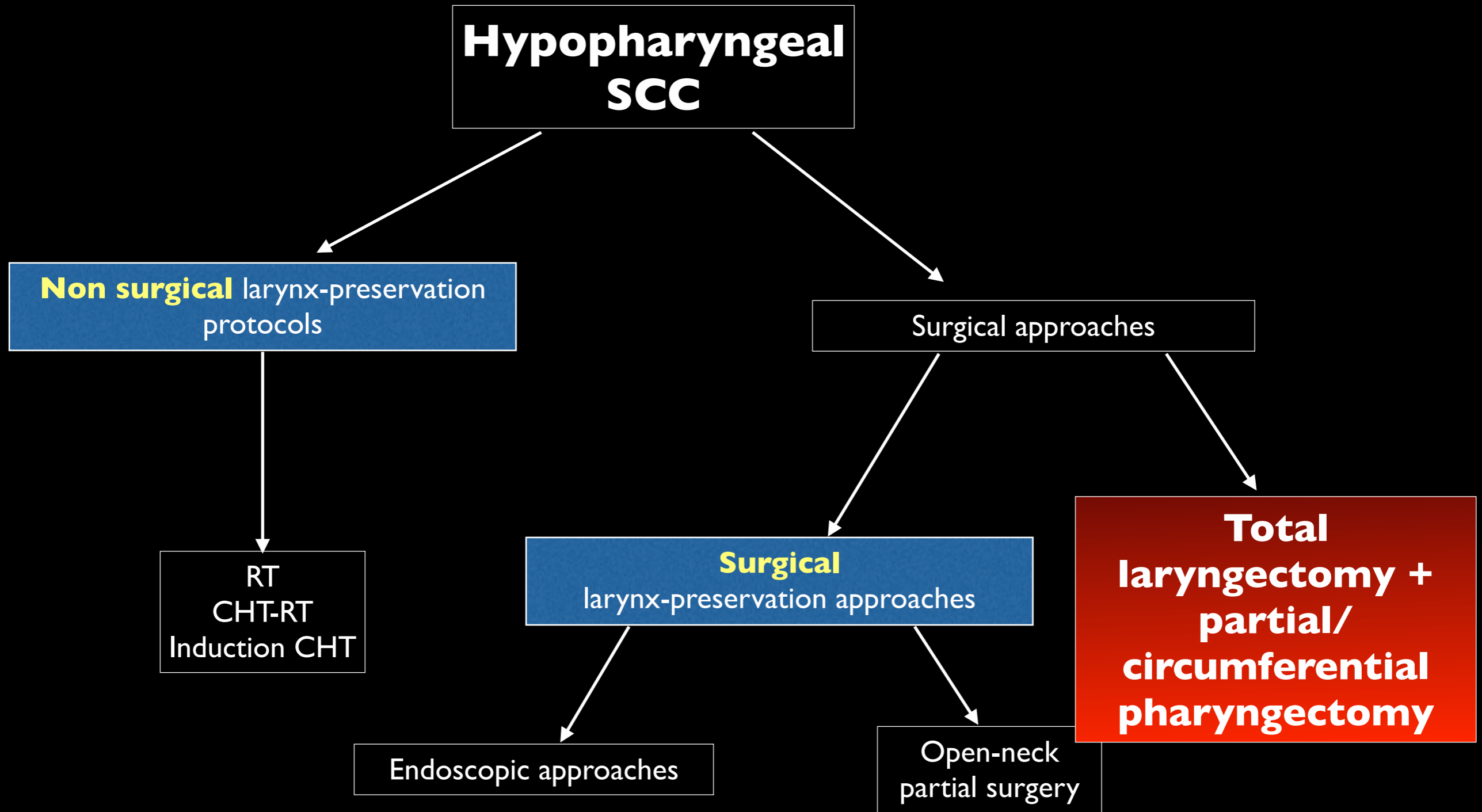
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An anatomical dissection of the hypopharynx, showing the larynx, trachea, and surrounding structures. The dissection is performed on a cadaveric specimen, with various tissues and structures exposed. A central teal banner with the text "HYPOPHARYNX" is overlaid on the image.

HYPOPHARYNX

TREATMENT OPTIONS



CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

Larynx preservation

Transoral endoscopic surgery

- Transoral laser microsurgery (TLM)
- Transoral robotic surgery (TORS)

Open-neck surgery

- Hemipharyngolaryngectomy (according to Andrè - Urken)
- Extended supraglottic laryngectomy
- Lateral partial pharyngectomy
- Supracricoid hemilaryngopharyngectomy

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TRANSORAL LASER MICROSURGERY

Indications

- ✓ T1-T2, mainly involving the upper part of the piriform sinus
- ✓ Adequate exposure is mandatory
- ✓ Retrocricoid neoplasms: only without cartilage/cricoarytenoid joint involvement
- ✓ Preservation of at least one mobile arytenoid



Lindholm's laryngoscope

Contraindications

- * invasion of the thyroid/cricoid cartilage
- * invasion of the paraglottic space lateral to the true vocal cord
- * deep involvement of the neck
- * involvement of the upper esophagus
- * required bilateral arytenoid resection



Vilaseca et al, Curr Opin Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg 2012
Steiner et al, Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg 2001
Martin et al, Laryngoscope 2008

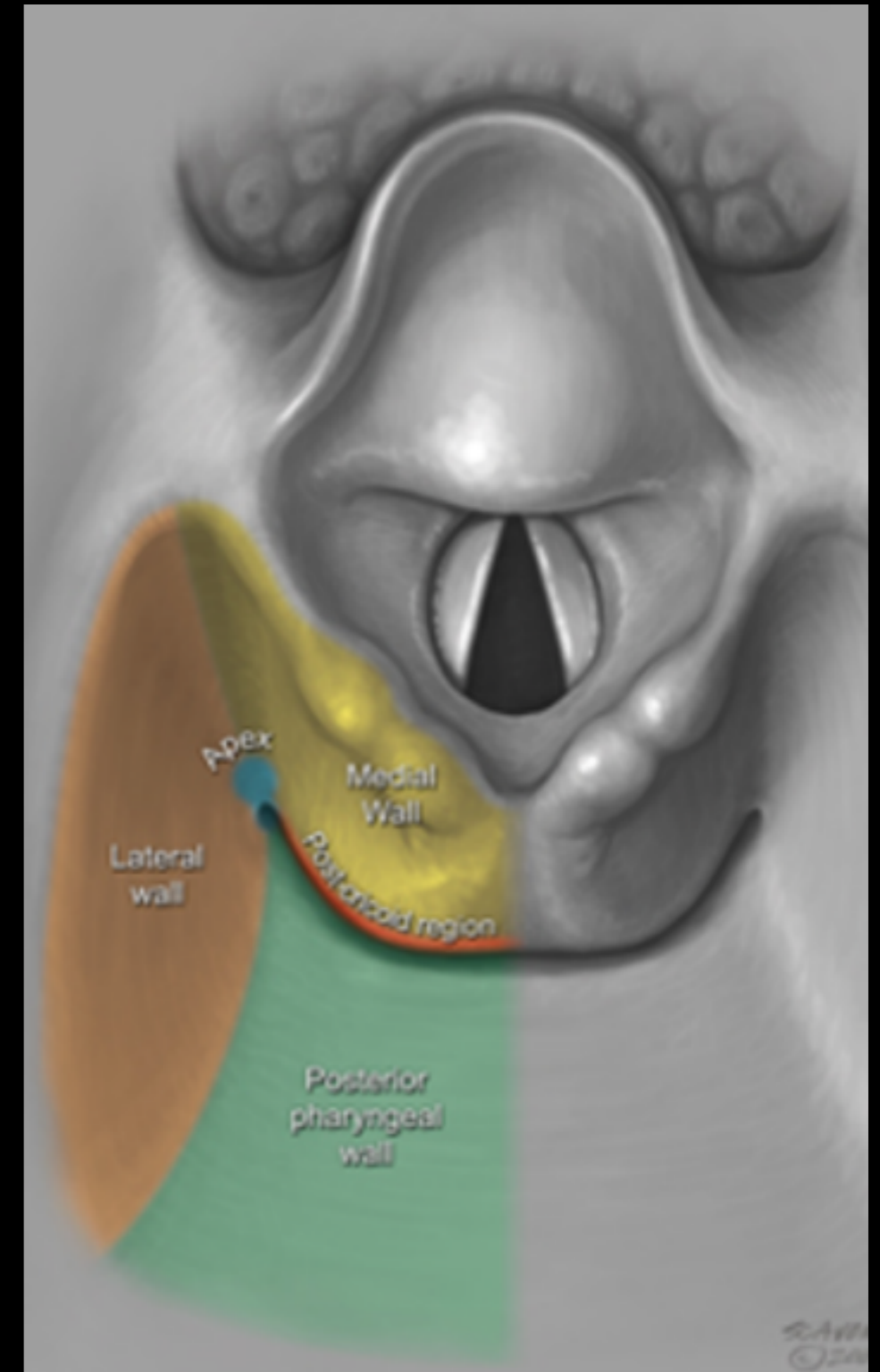
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MEDIAL AND ANTERIOR WALL

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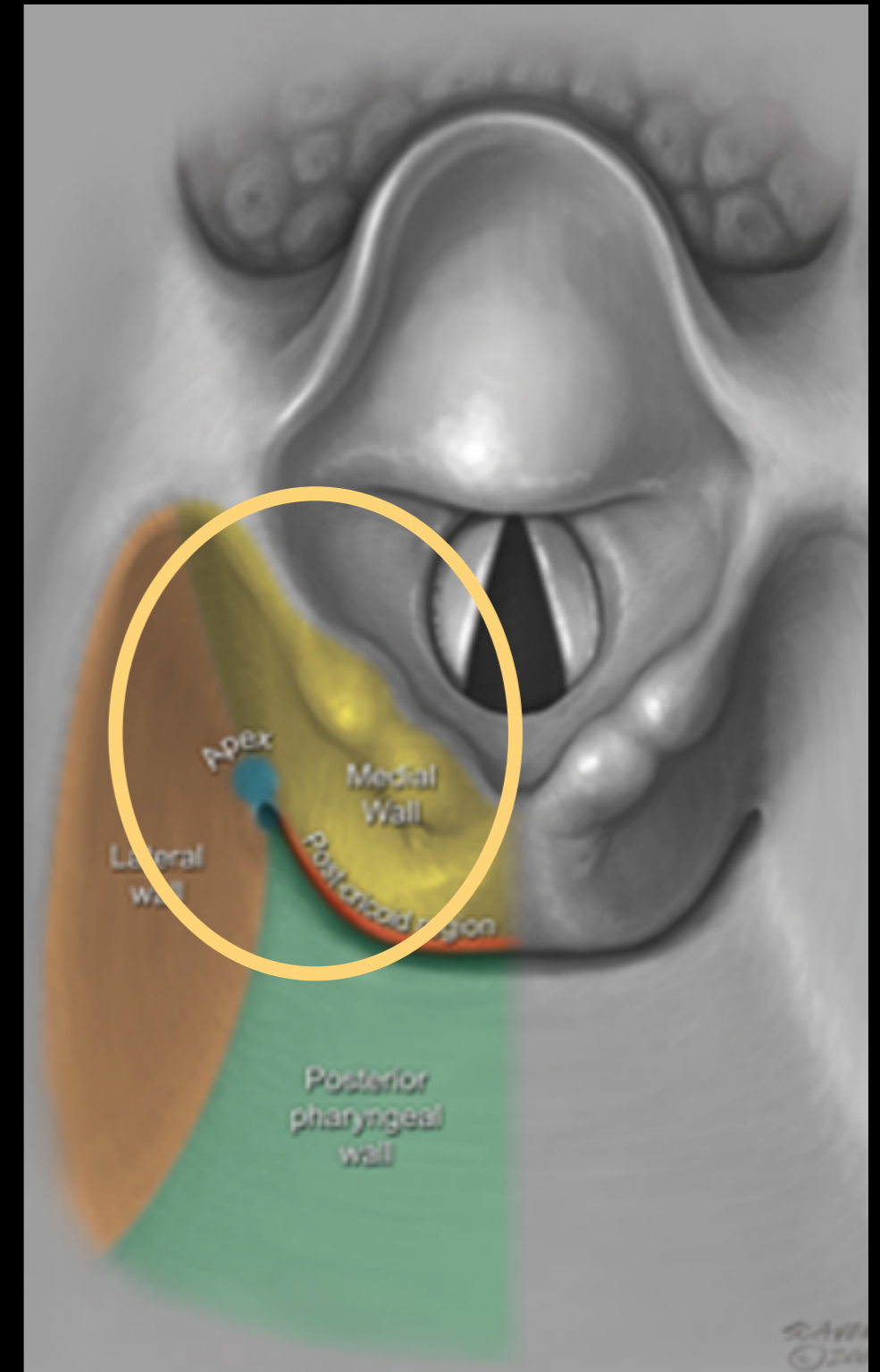
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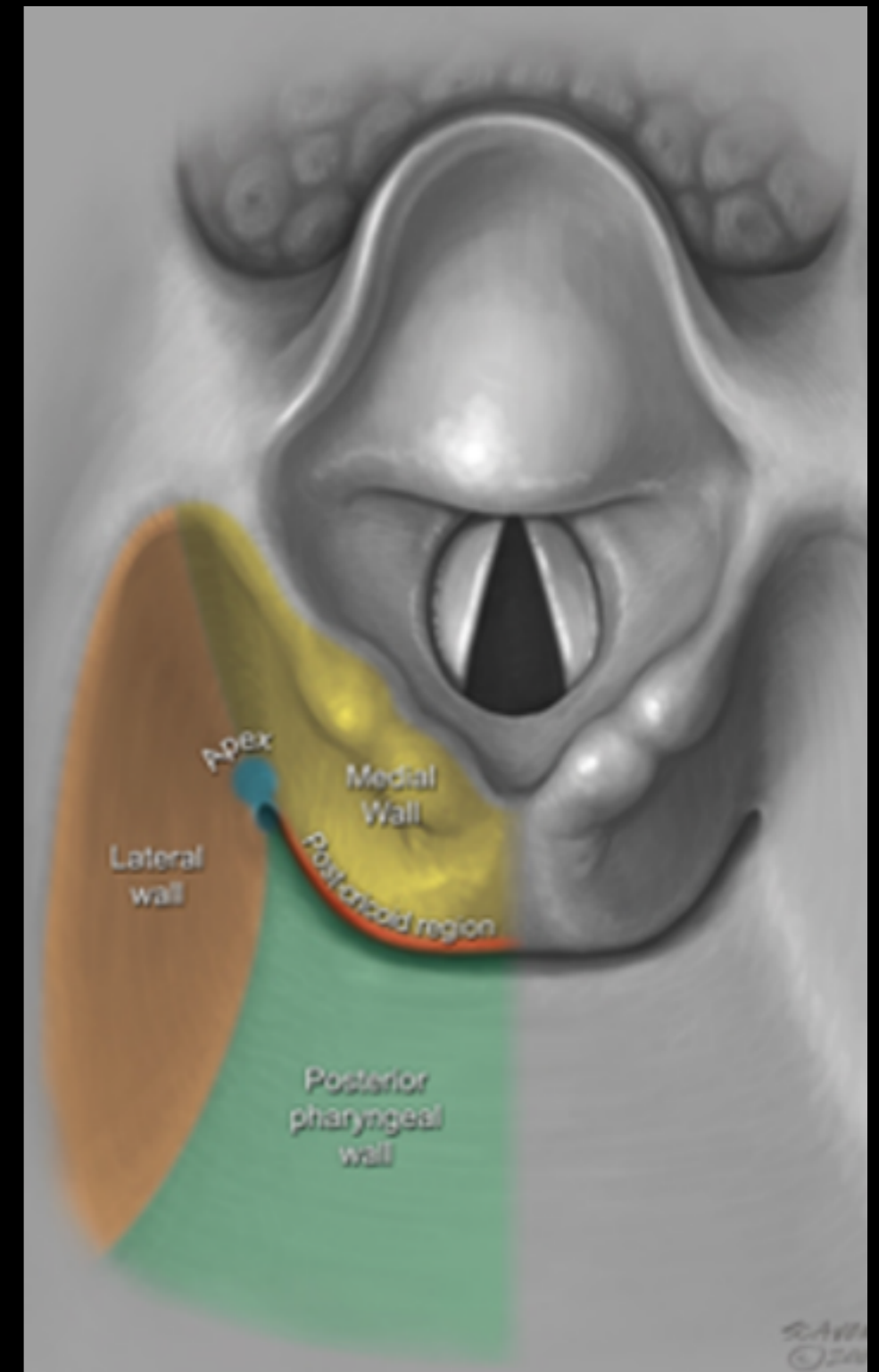
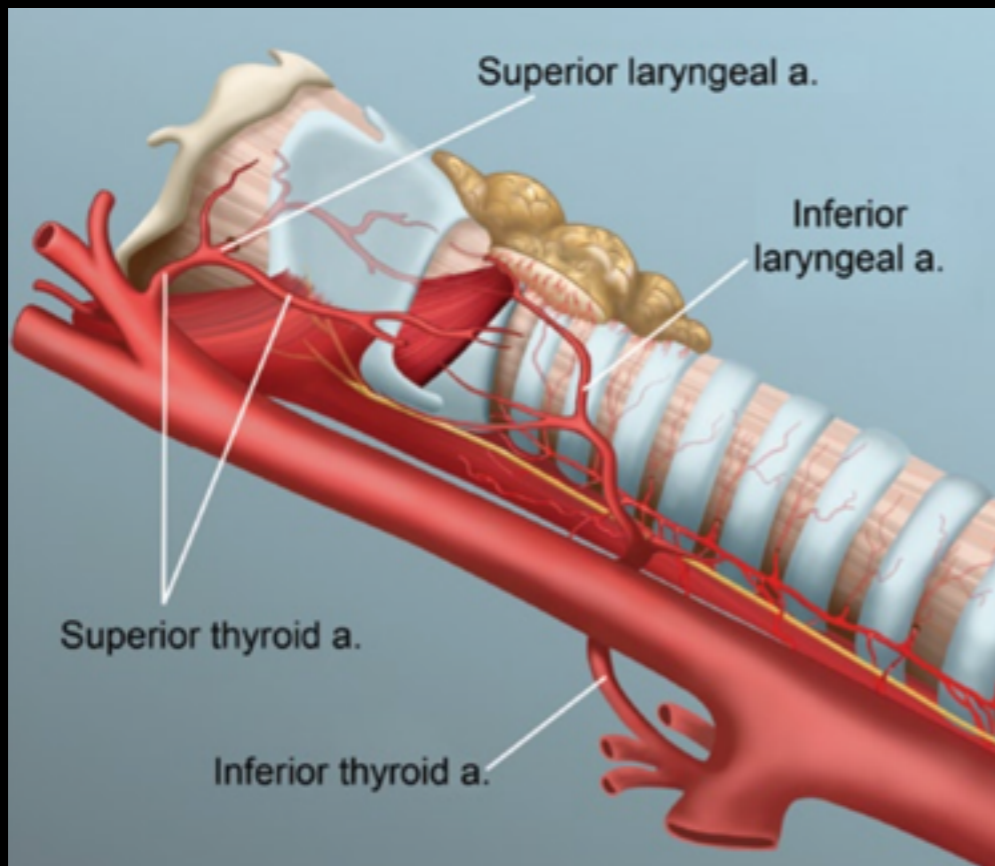
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LATERAL AND POSTERIOR WALL

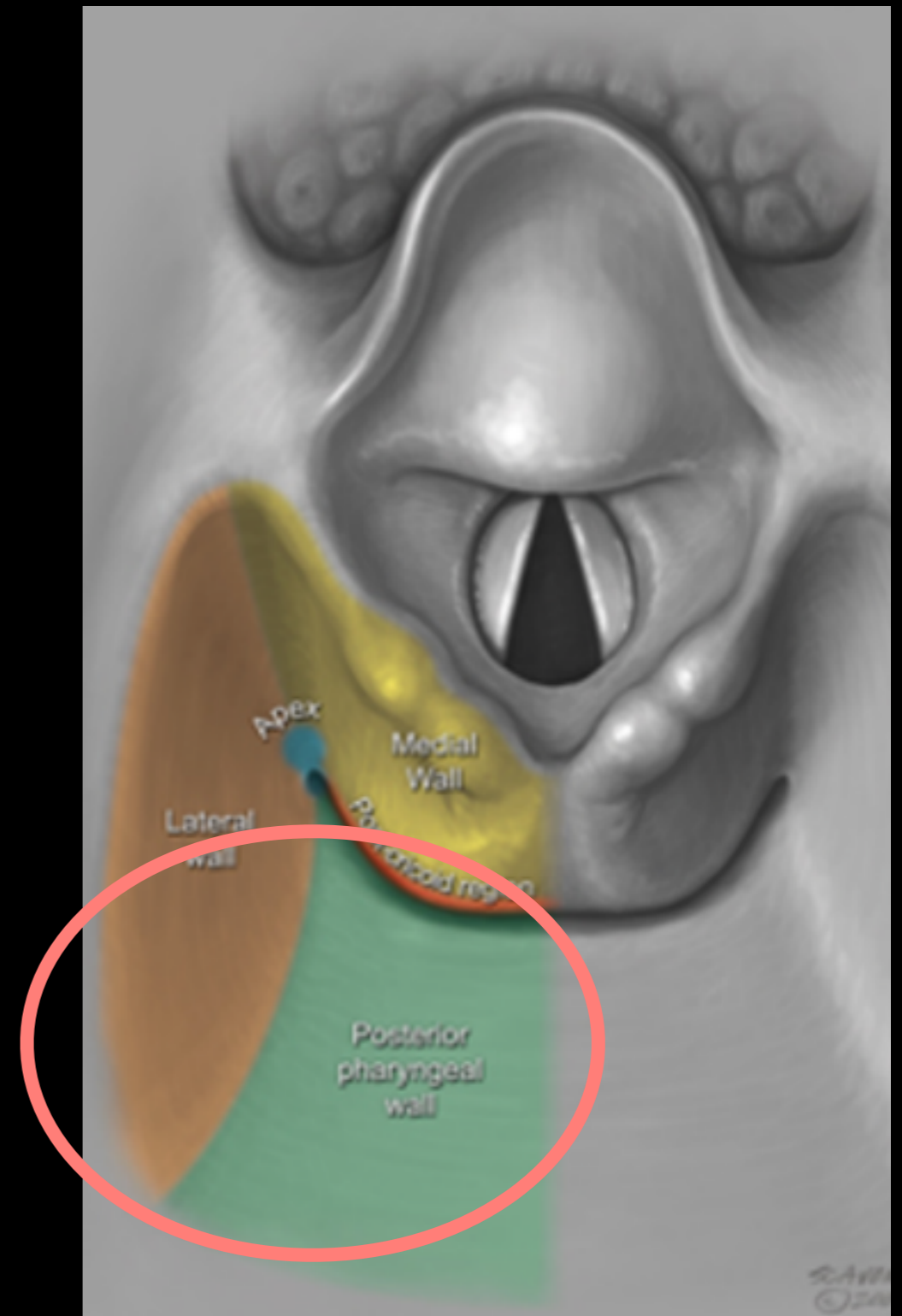
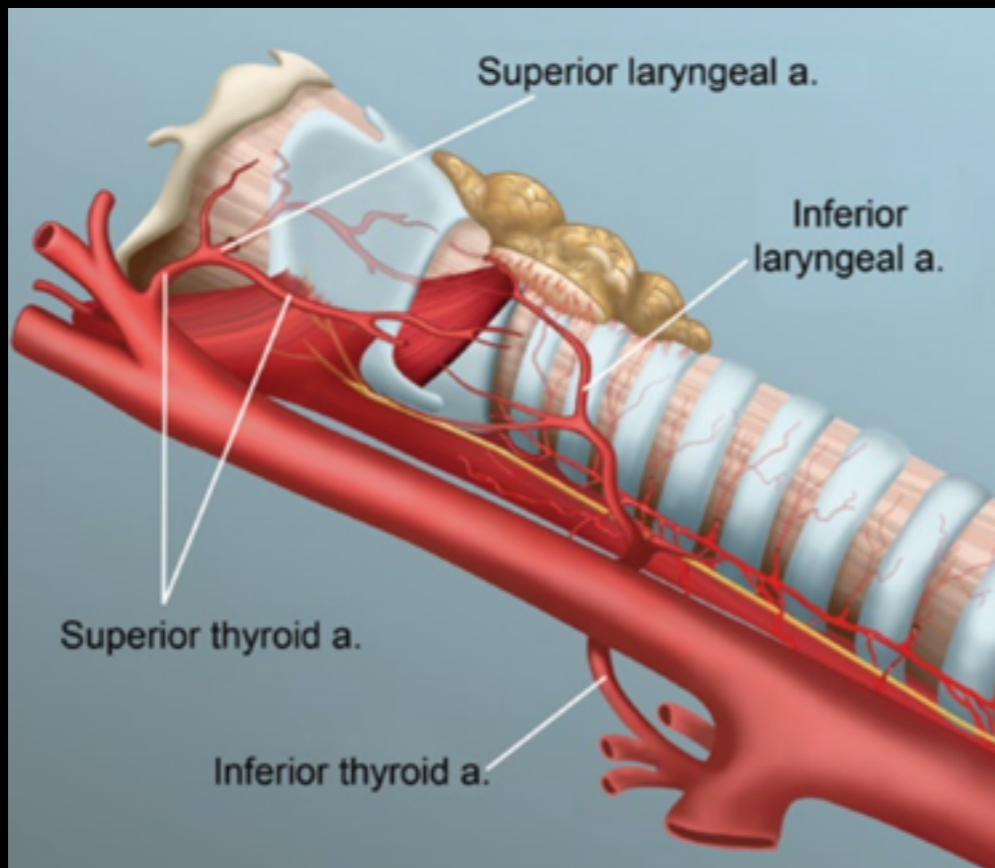
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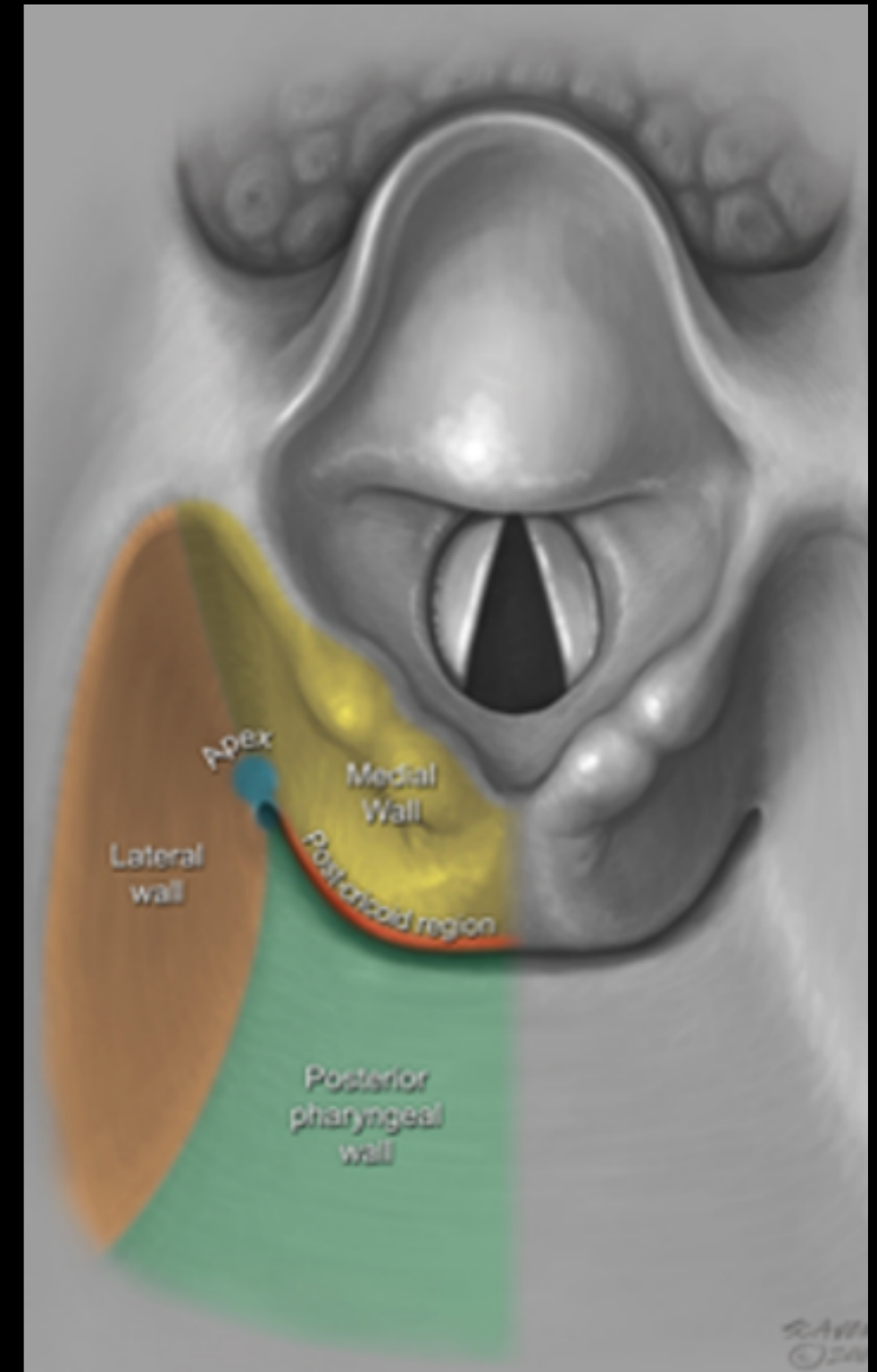
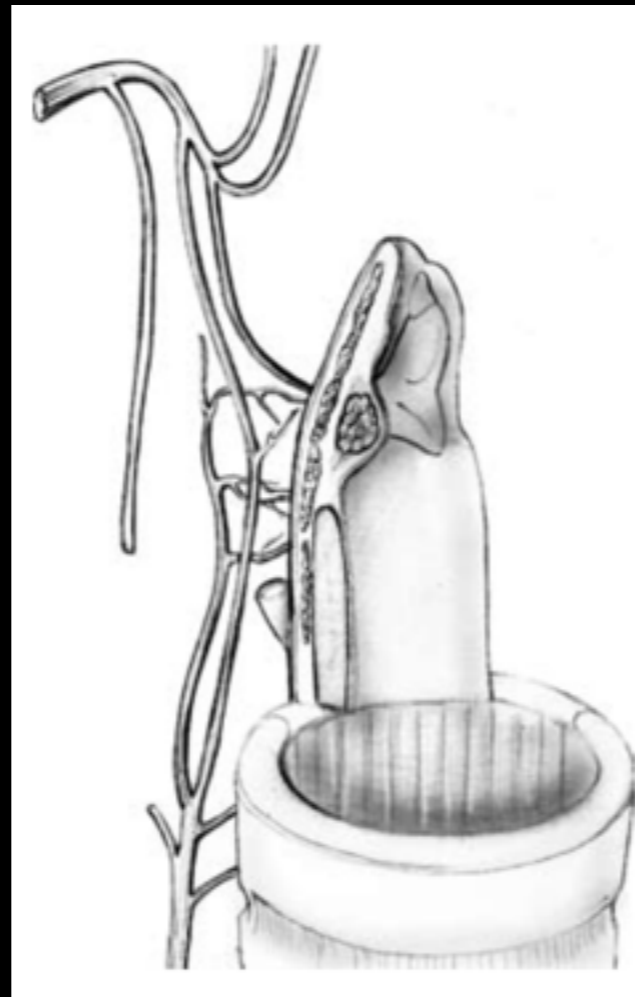
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RETROCRICOID AND PERI-ARYTENOID REGION

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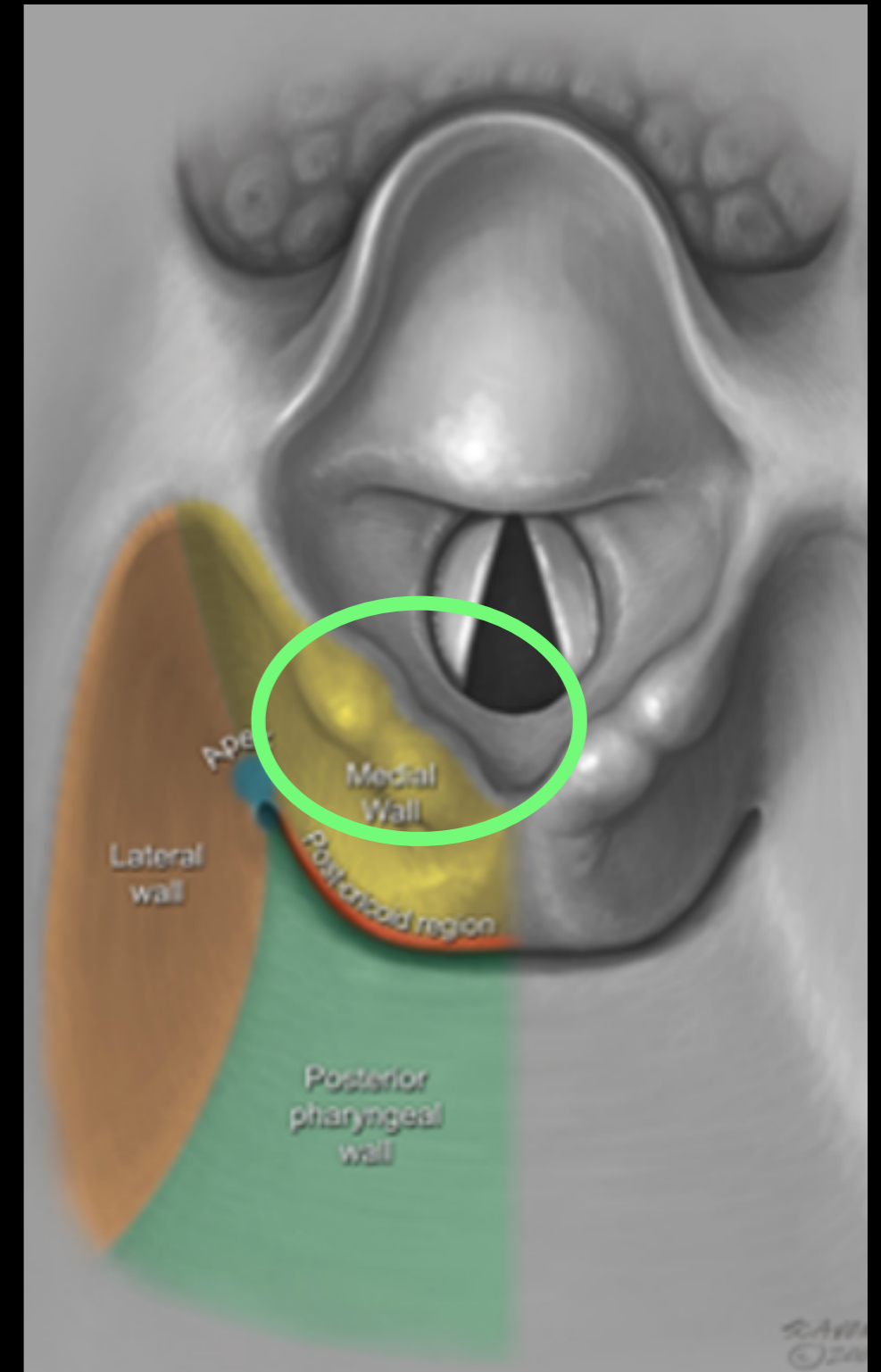
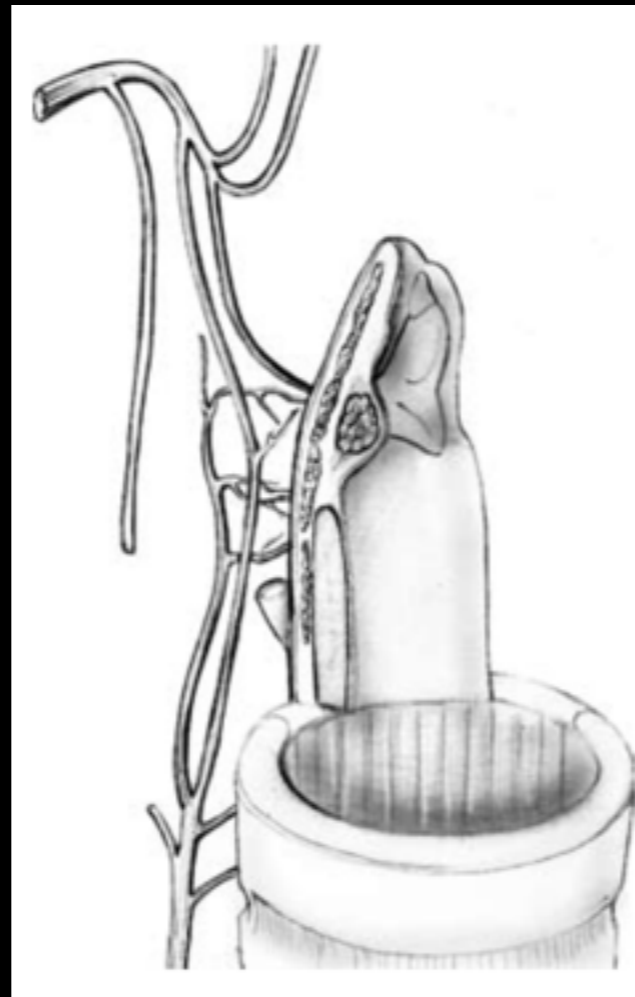
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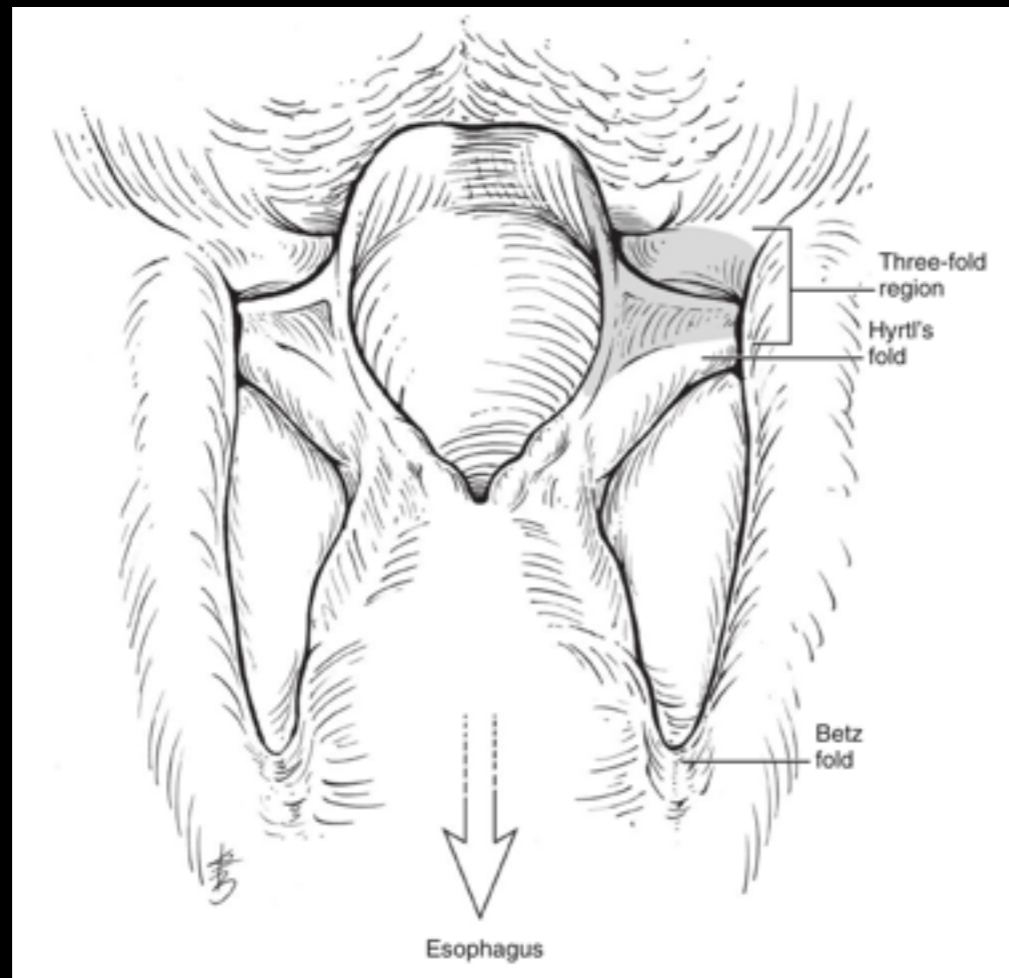


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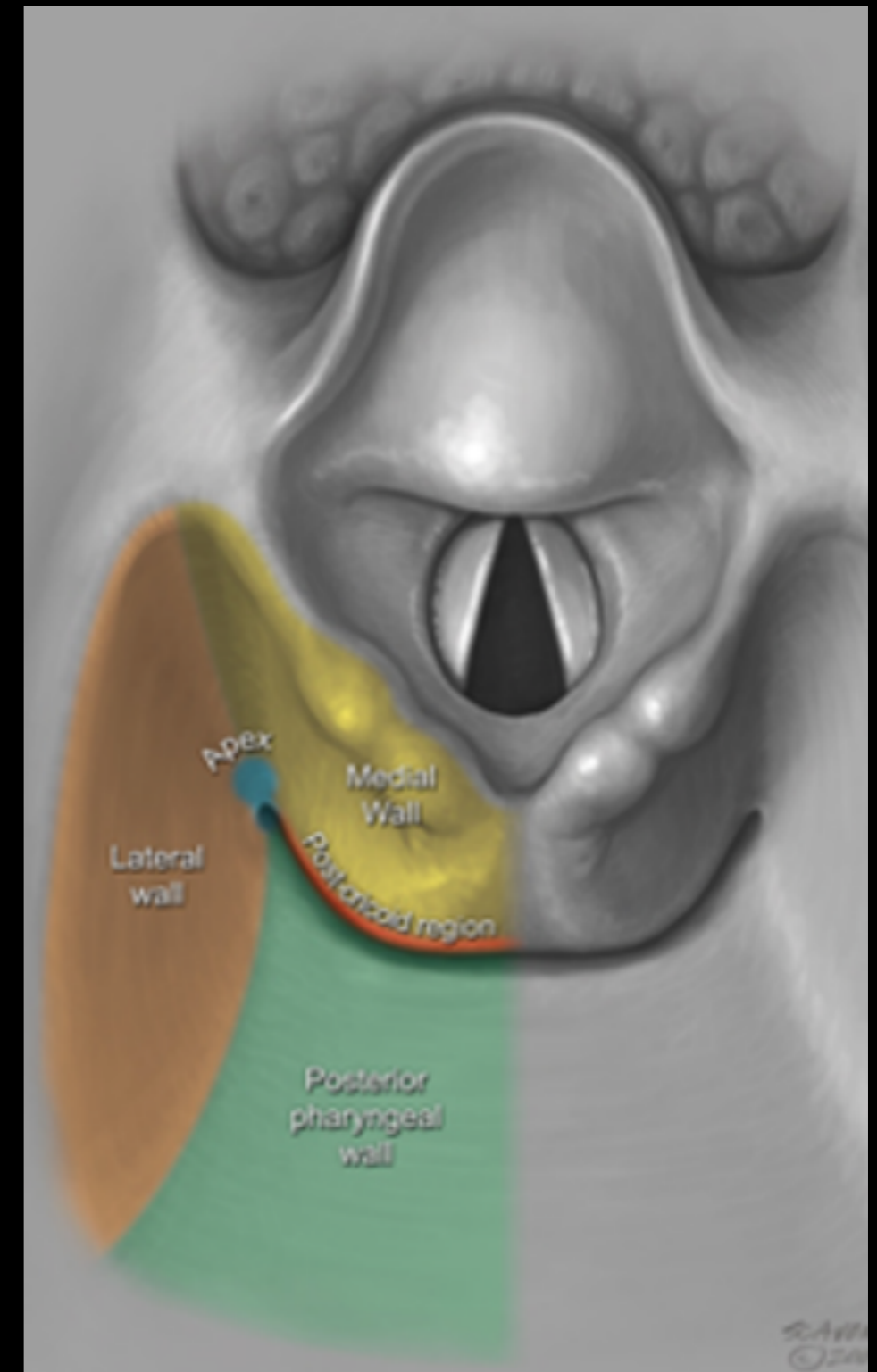


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EXTENSION TO UPPER ESOPHAGUS
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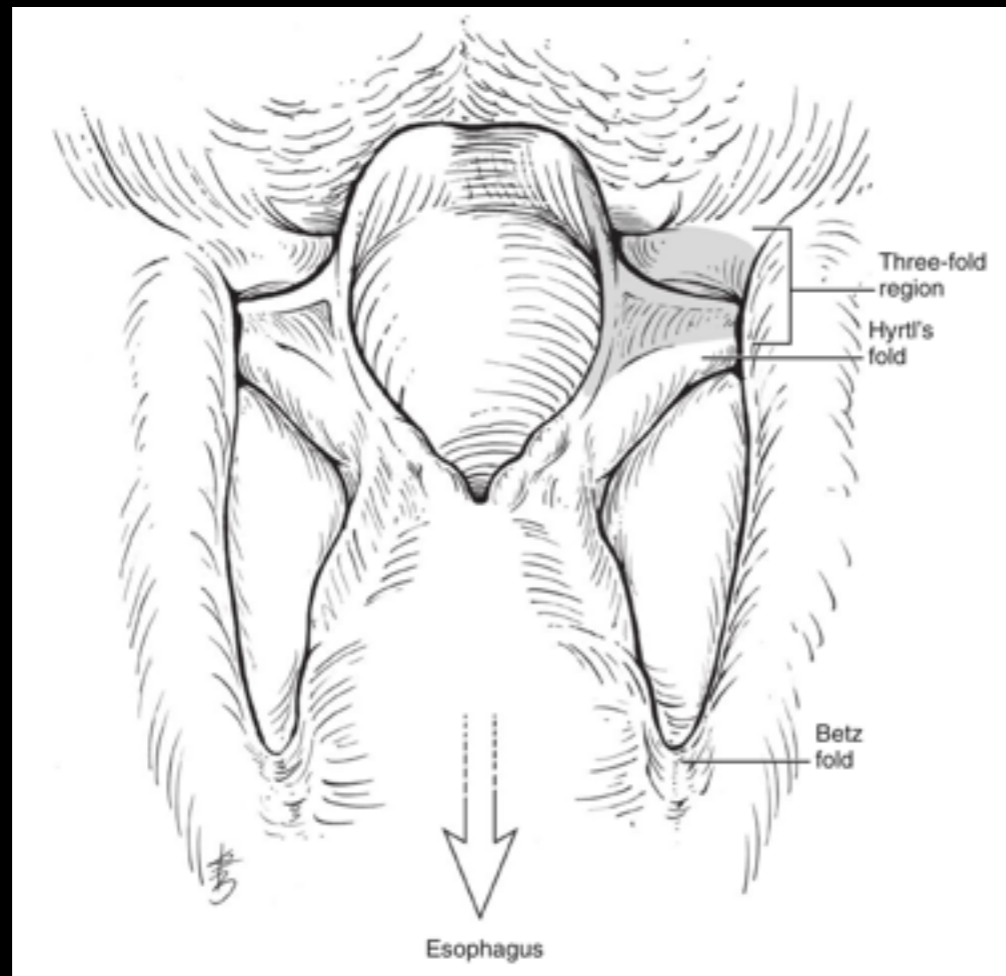


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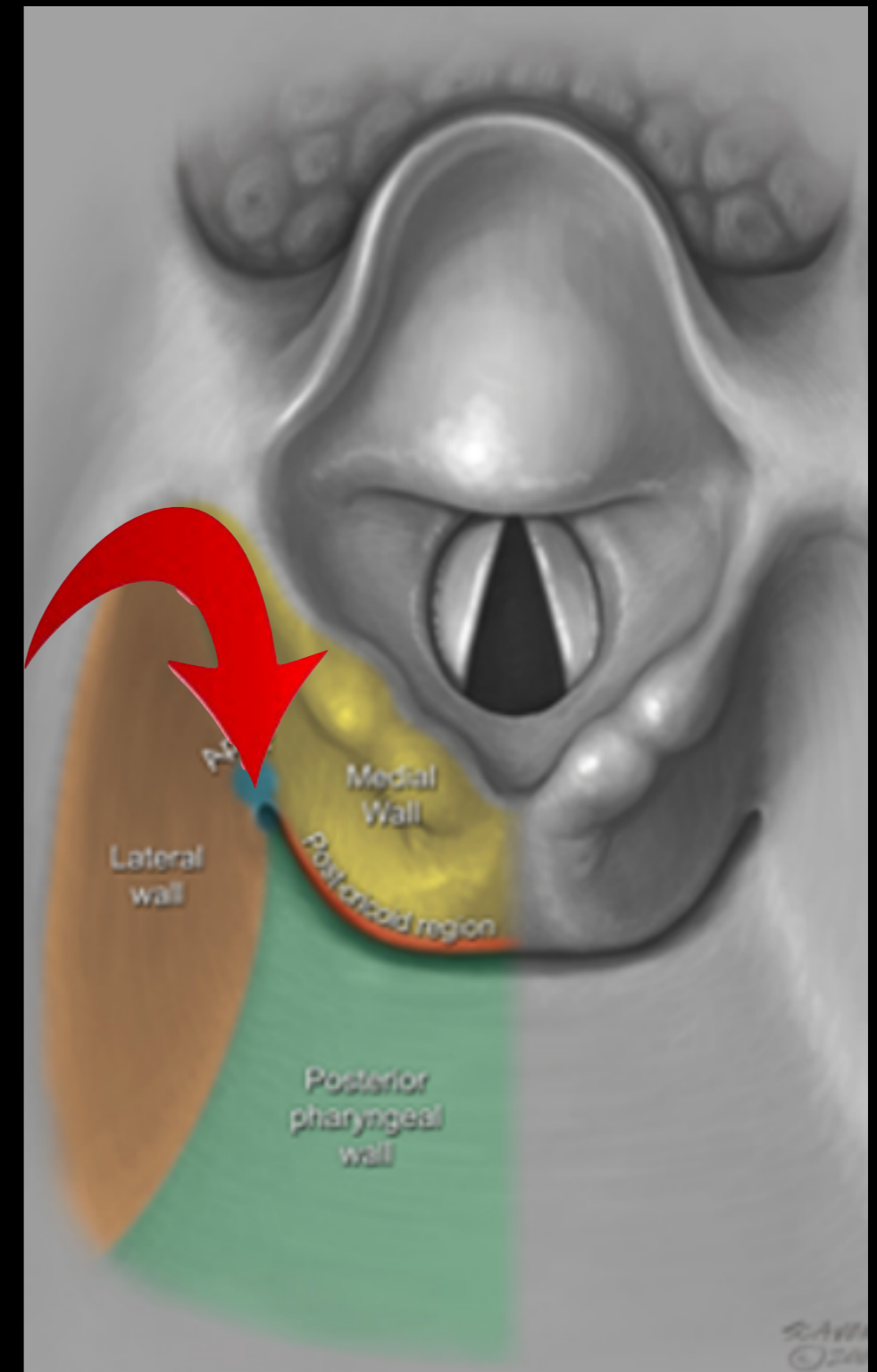


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TRANSORAL LASER MICROSURGERY

Oncological results in early T-stages (T1-2)

| | T1 | T2 |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| OS (5-yy) | 44-78.8% | 48-60.1% |
| DSS | 77,8% | 70,0% |
| Larynx-preservation | 87-100% | 78,5% |
| PEG | 2.5-5.2% | 21,4% |
| Tracheotomies | 0-2.5% | 1,7% |

TRANSORAL LASER MICROSURGERY

Oncological results in advanced T-stages (T3-4)

Experience with TLM is still very limited and only few institutions have a consistent cohort

| Author | N° pt | Stage | Survivals | Local control |
|---------------|-------|--------------|---|---|
| Steiner 2001 | 129 | Stage III+IV | Stage III+IV (5 yy) OS: 47% RFS: 69% | - |
| Vilaseca 2004 | 28 | Stage II+IV | Stage II+IV (4 yy) OS: 43% | LC T3 56.2% (n=49) LC T4 100% (n=1) organ preserv 79% |
| Martin 2008 | 172 | Stage III+IV | Stage III (5 yy) OS: 64% DSS: 86% Stage IV (5 yy) OS: 41% DSS: 57% | LC T3 75% (n=75) (82% plus adjuvant RT vs 66% without) LC T4 57% (n=28) |



After TLM for III-IV stage, patients received adjuvant (C)RT



Local control rates are better than those obtained with (C)RT alone

Can the intensity of adjuvant treatment be really reduced after TLM or will it only increase side-effects???

TRANSORAL ROBOTIC SURGERY



Only preliminary results...

- ✓ Early lesions (T1/2)
- ✓ The pharyngeal constrictors as deep margin
- ✓ Healing via secondary intention
- ✓ Temporary G-tube in few cases (depending on the extension of resection)
- ✓ Full recovery of swallowing function by 6 months post-operatively in 80% of patients

Dziegielewski et al, J Surg Oncol 2015

- * More complicated peri-operative hemorrhage management
- * **More thermal damage for the use of unipolar cautery than for a laser**
- * Costs and scarce data on oncological results
- * Intraoperative exposure
- * Coverage with local flap/fibrin sealant to prevent hemorrhage

The future combination of CO2 laser with robotic arms will solve the lack of precision

Park et al, Oral Oncol (2010)
Verges et al, Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg 2012
Kucur et al, Head Neck 2015
Durmus et al, J Craniofac Surg 2015



Open-neck approaches

Partial pharyngectomies: *back to the future???*

Leroux-Robert, 1957

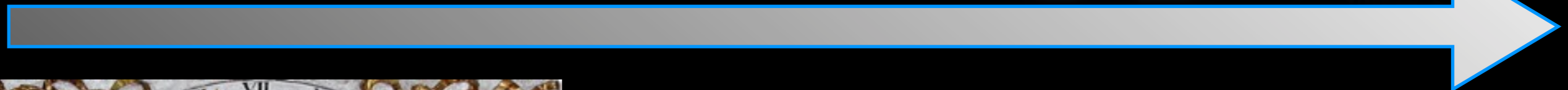
Ogura, 1960

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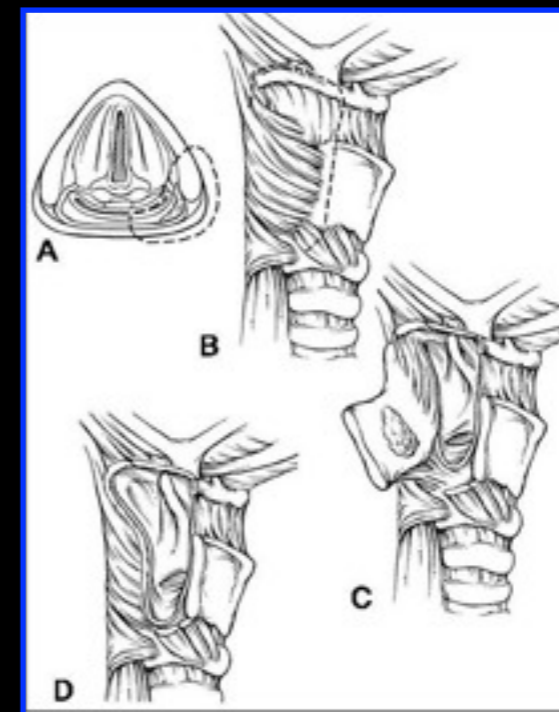
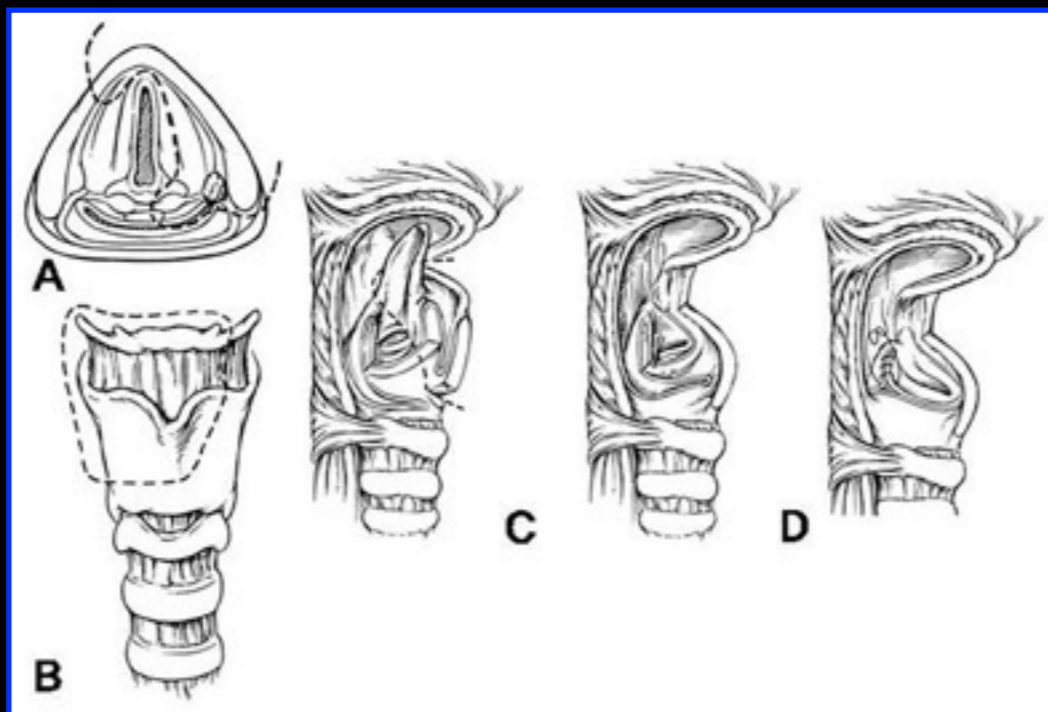
Laccourreye et al, Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol. 2005
Kania et al, Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol. 2005
Holsinger et al, Head Neck 2006
Papacharalampous et al, World J Surg Oncol 2009

- Few published reports
- Most examine early-stage disease
- Selection criteria vary widely
- The exact location and extent of the tumor are not always specified

Open-neck approaches

Partial pharyngectomies

- Hemipharyngolaryngectomy (according to André - Urken)
- Extended supraglottic laryngectomy
- Lateral partial pharyngectomy
- Supracricoid hemilaryngopharyngectomy



Often *integrated in a complex oncological strategy*: neoadjuvant CHT, partial surgery and adjuvant (CHT)RT if necessary

Kania et al, Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol. 2005
Holsinger et al, Head Neck 2006

Open-neck approaches

Pharyngolaryngectomy



- High-stage lesions involving **more than two thirds of the hypopharyngeal circumference**
- **Residual and recurrent disease after failure of CHT-RT**

Total laryngectomy + partial/circumferential pharyngectomy + bilateral neck dissection

In most cases, adjuvant CHT-RT, if not already performed, is necessary

**5-yr DSS
40-50%**

Takes et al, Head Neck 2005

Open-neck approaches

The pharyngoesophageal defects

| | Disa et al, Plast Reconstr Surg 2003 | Urken, Atlas of Regional and Free Flaps for Head and Neck Reconstruction 2011 |
|-----------------|---|---|
| Type 0 | minimal defects - amenable to primary closure | minimal defects - amenable to primary closure |
| Type I | < 50% - <u>NOT amenable to primary closure</u> | non-circumferential defect, minimum of 2 cm in width, with a viable strip of mucosa |
| Type II | > 50% | circumferential defect extended no further cephalad than the level of the vallecula |
| Type III | other anatomical regions (nasopharynx, oropharynx, or of the mouth or jaw) | circumferential/non-circumferential defect extended cephalad to the level of the vallecula |
| Type IV | extension to cervical oesophagus | any resection that extends caudal to the level of the clavicles |

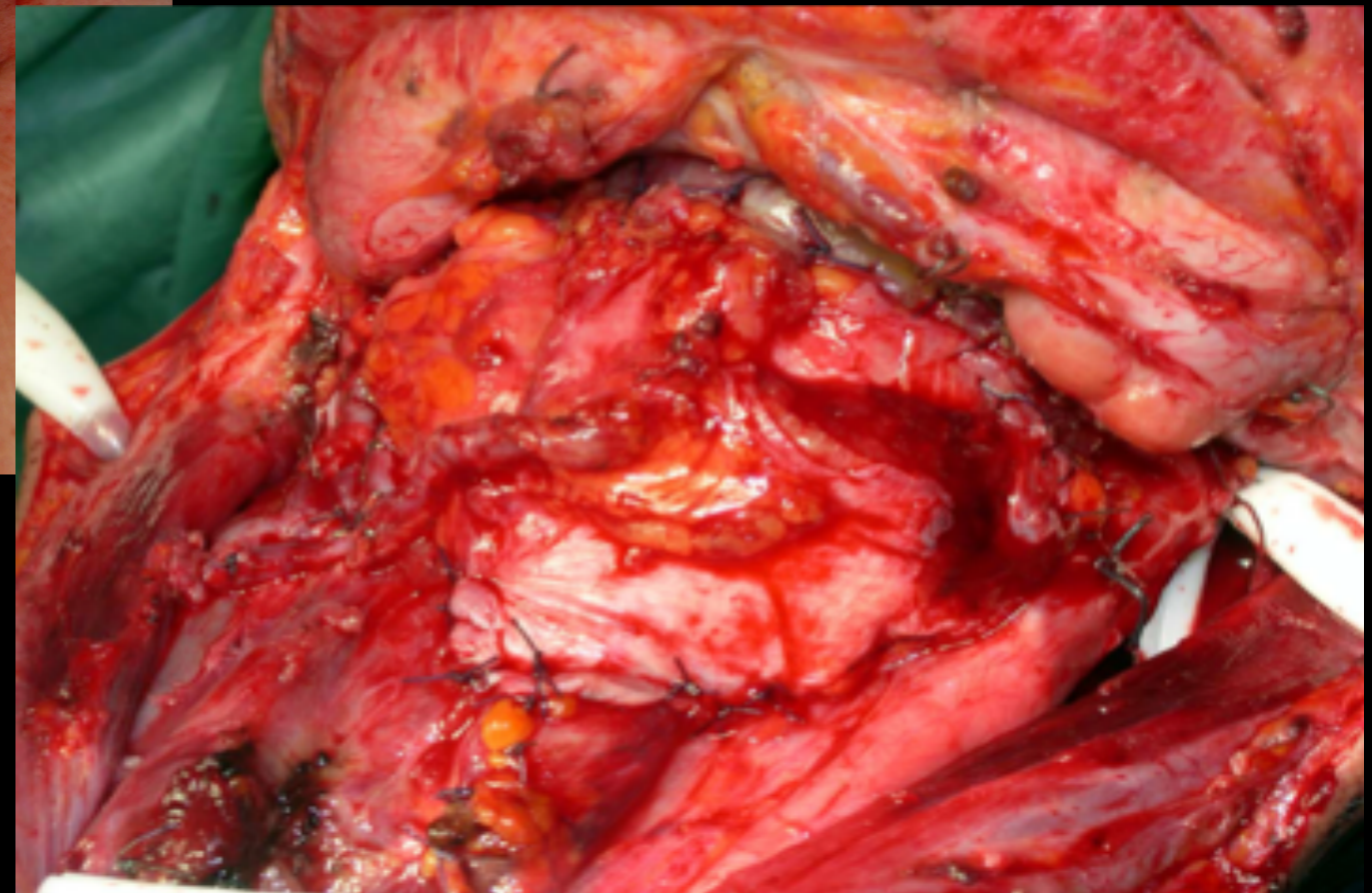
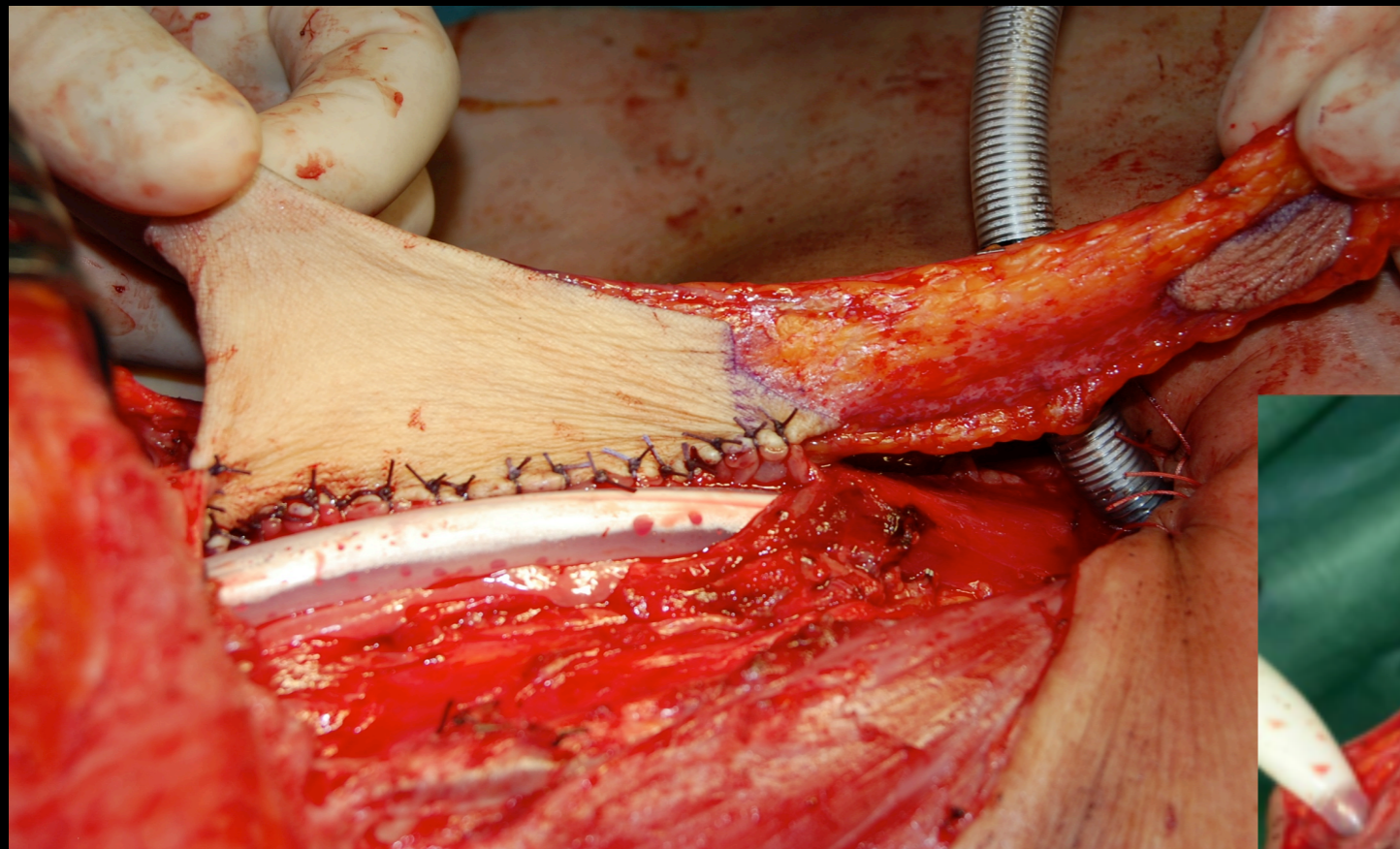
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NON CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

The pharyngoesophageal defects



MENU OF RECONSTRUCTIVE MODALITIES

Myo-cutaneous (or myo-fascial) pedicled flaps

Pectoralis major

Fascio-cutaneous free flaps

Radial forearm

Antero-lateral thigh

Visceral pedicled flaps

Ileo-colic transposition

Gastric pull-up

Visceral free flaps

Jejunum

SURGICAL OPTIONS

A matter of balance... and personalized treatment

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non surgical options

TRANSORAL LASER SURGERY

OPEN NECK CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

TOTAL LARYNGECTOMY

RADIOTHERAPY

CHEMO-RADIATION

Management of hypopharyngeal and laryngeal SCC: radiotherapy

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Staging of laryngeal tumors (TNM-UICC 2010)

Primary Tumor (T)

- Tx Primary tumor cannot be assessed
- T0 No evidence of primary tumor
- Tis Carcinoma in situ

Supraglottis

- T1 Tumor limited to one subsite of supraglottis with normal vocal cord mobility
- T2 Tumor invades mucosa of more than one adjacent subsite of supraglottis or glottis or region outside the supraglottis (e.g., mucosa of base of tongue, vallecula, medial wall of pyriform sinus) without fixation of the larynx
- T3 Tumor limited to larynx with vocal cord fixation and/or invades any of the following: postcricoid area, pre-epiglottic tissues, paraglottic space, and/or minor thyroid cartilage erosion (e.g., inner cortex)
- T4a Tumor invades through the thyroid cartilage and/or invades tissues beyond the larynx (e.g., trachea, soft tissues of neck including deep extrinsic muscles of the tongue, strap muscles, thyroid, or esophagus)
- T4b Tumor invades prevertebral space, encases carotid artery, or invades mediastinal structures

Glottis

- T1 Tumor limited to the vocal cord(s) (may involve anterior or posterior commissure) with normal mobility
- T1a Tumor limited to one vocal cord
- T1b Tumor involves both vocal cords
- T2 Tumor extends to supraglottis and/or subglottis, or with impaired vocal cord mobility
- T3 Tumor limited to the larynx with vocal cord fixation, and/or invades paraglottic space, and/or minor thyroid cartilage erosion (e.g., inner cortex)
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Staging of laryngeal tumors (TNM-UICC 2010)

Subglottis

- T1 Tumor limited to the subglottis
- T2 Tumor extends to vocal cord(s) with normal or impaired mobility
- T3 Tumor limited to larynx with vocal cord fixation
- T4a Tumor invades cricoid or thyroid cartilage and/or invades tissues beyond larynx (e.g., trachea, soft tissues of neck including deep extrinsic muscles of the tongue, strap muscles, thyroid, or esophagus)
- T4b Tumor invades prevertebral space, encases carotid artery, or invades mediastinal structures

Staging of hypopharyngeal tumors (TNM-UICC 2010)

- TX Primary tumor cannot be assessed
- T0 No evidence of primary tumor
- T1 Tumor limited to one subsite of hypopharynx and ≤ 2 cm in greatest dimension
- T2 Tumor invades more than one subsite of hypopharynx or an adjacent site, or measures > 2 cm but not > 4 cm in greatest dimension without fixation of hemilarynx
- T3 Tumor > 4 cm in greatest dimension or with fixation of hemilarynx
- T4a Tumor invades thyroid/cricoid cartilage, hyoid bone, thyroid gland, esophagus, or central compartment soft tissue (including prelaryngeal strap muscles and subcutaneous fat)
- T4b Tumor invades prevertebral fascia, encases carotid artery, or involves mediastinal structures

Regional lymph node and metastasis staging

Regional lymph nodes (N)

- NX Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed
- N0 No regional lymph node metastasis
- N1 Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, ≤ 3 cm in greatest dimension
- N2 Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, > 3 cm but not > 6 cm in greatest dimension, or in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension, or in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension
- N2a Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, > 3 cm but not > 6 cm in greatest dimension
- N2b Metastasis in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension
- N2c Metastasis in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, none > 6 cm in greatest dimension
- N3 Metastasis in a lymph node, > 6 cm in greatest dimension

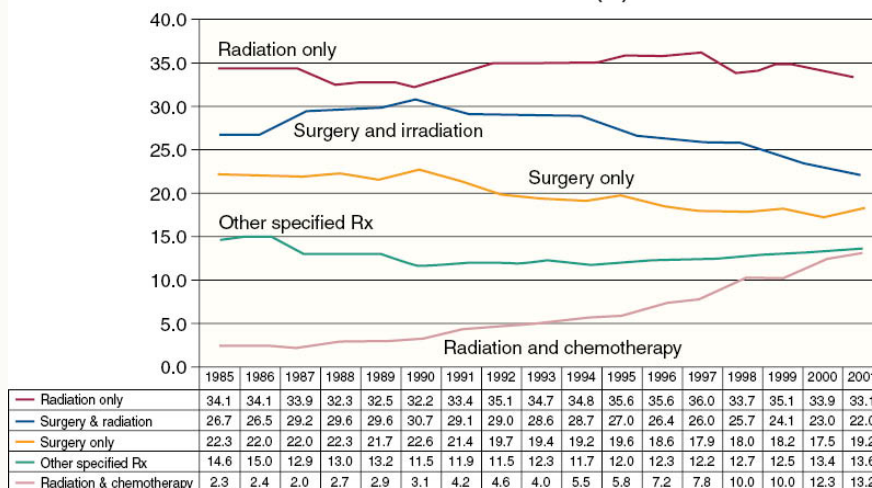
Distant Metastasis (M)

- MX Distant metastasis cannot be assessed
- M0 No distant metastasis
- M1 Distant metastasis

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Evolution in the management of laryngeal SCC

Laryngeal SCC NCDB (N = 158,426)
Initial Treatment (%)

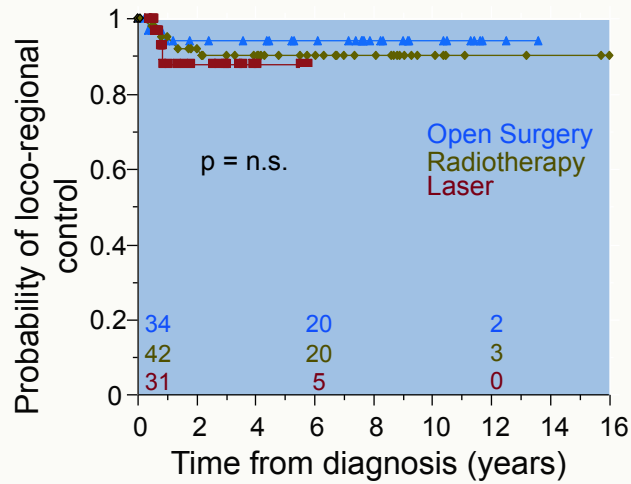


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Hoffman, Laryngoscope, 2006

Evidence-based management of T1N0 glottic carcinomas: level 3



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Rosier, R&O, 1998

Radiotherapy in early stage glottic cancers: level 3

| T ₂ Carcinoma of the Glottis : Local Control with Radiotherapy and Surgical Salvage | | | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Reference | Patients (n) | Initial Local Control | Ultimate Local Control |
| Elman et al (1979) ⁶⁴ | T _{2a} , 146 | T _{2a} , 80% | T _{2a} , 96% |
| | T _{2b} , 82 | T _{2b} , 72% | T _{2b} , 96% |
| Fletcher and Hamberger (1974) ⁶⁵ | 175 | 74% | 94% |
| Mittal et al (1983) ⁶⁶ | 327 | 69% | — |
| Howell-Burke et al (1985) ⁶⁷ | 114 | 68% | 76% |
| Amornmarn et al (1985) ⁶⁷ | 34 | 88% | 94% |
| Karim et al (1987) ⁷⁶ | 156 | 81% | 95% |
| Wang (1990) ⁷¹ | 173 | 69% | 86% |
| Le (1997) ⁷¹ | 83 | 67% | — |
| Mendenhall et al (2001) ⁷² | 120 | 75% | 95% |
| Frata et al (2005) ⁷⁷ | 256 | 70% | 85% |

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Radiotherapy in early stage supraglottic cancers: level 3

| Local Control after Radiotherapy for Early-Stage Supraglottic Carcinoma | | | |
|---|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Series | Stage | Patients (n) | Local Control |
| Fletcher et al (1980) ⁷⁹ | T ₁ | 24 | 88% |
| | T ₂ | 56 | 79% |
| Ghossein et al (1974) ⁸⁰ | T ₁ | 17 | 94% |
| | T ₂ | 64 | 73% |
| Wall et al (1985) ⁸¹ | T ₁ | 38 | 89% |
| | T ₂ | 132 | 74% |
| Wang and Montgomery (1991) ⁸² | T ₁ | 23 | 89% |
| | T ₂ | 79 | 89% |
| Nakfoor et al (1998) ⁸³ | T ₁ | 24 | 96% |
| | T ₂ | 73 | 86% |
| Skyles et al (2000) ⁸⁴ | T ₁ | 65 | 92% |
| | T ₂ | 136 | 81% |
| Hinerman et al (2002) ⁸⁵ | T ₁ | 22 | 100% |
| | T ₂ | 125 | 86% |
| Johansen et al (2002) ⁸⁶ | T ₁ | 154 | 64% |
| | T ₂ | 86 | 62% |

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Radiotherapy in early stage hypopharyngeal cancers: level 3

| Local Control after Radiotherapy for Early-Stage Hypopharynx Cancer | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------|------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Reference | Stage | Patients, n | Site | Initial Local Control | Ultimate Local Control |
| Mendenhall et al (1993) ⁵¹ | T ₁ | 17 | PS | 88% | 94% |
| | T ₂ | 56 | PS | 79% | 91% |
| Garden et al (1996) ⁵⁰ | T ₁ | 19 | All | 89% (2-yr) | NR |
| | T ₂ | 63 | All | 77% | NR |
| Amdur et al (2001) ⁹⁵ | T ₁ | 19 | PS | 89% | 95% |
| | T ₂ | 67 | | 82% | 91% |
| Nakamura (2006) ⁹⁶ | T ₁ | 39 | All | 74% | 87% |
| | T ₂ | 76 | All | 58% | 74% |

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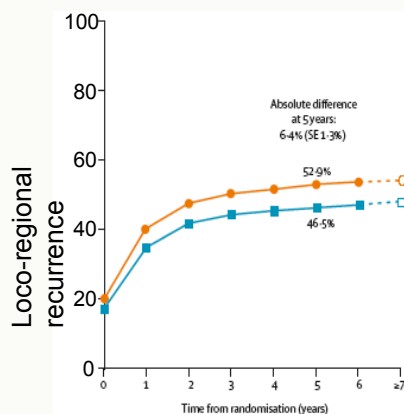
Radiotherapy or surgery in laryngeal/hypopharyngeal cancers?

- T/N stage
- A single procedure?
- Partial > < total laryngectomy or pharyngo-laryngectomy?
- Patient's co-morbidity, medical history and age
- Patient's preference

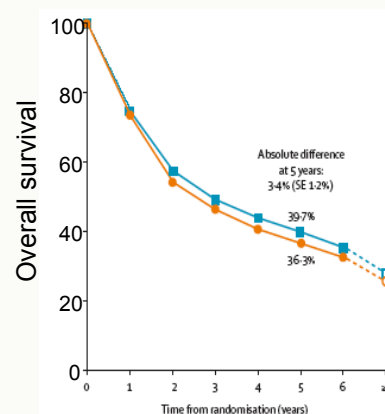
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Meta-analysis on altered fractionation HNSCC

Randomized trials 1970-1998 (no postop RT)
15 trials included (6515 patients, individual data)



| Death/person years by period | Years 0-2 | Years 3-5 | Years ≥6 |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Conventional RT | 1612/7062 | 110/2995 | 19/1382 |
| Altered fractionated RT | 1479/7907 | 107/3652 | 24/1765 |



| Death/person years by period | Years 0-2 | Years 3-5 | Years ≥6 |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Conventional RT | 1548/4988 | 506/3729 | 181/1643 |
| Altered fractionated RT | 1526/5447 | 563/4372 | 224/2042 |

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Bourhis, Pignon 2006

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Hazard ratio of death.

| Timing | No. Deaths / No. Entered LRT+CT | No. Entered LRT | O-E | Variance | Hazard Ratio | HR [95% CI] |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|------------------|
| Concomitant | 3171/4824 | 3389/4791 | -326.4 | 1587.7 | 0.81 | 0.81 [0.78;0.86] |
| Induction | 1877/2740 | 1813/2571 | -40.0 | 900.7 | 0.96 | 0.96 [0.90;1.02] |
| Adjuvant | 631/1244 | 661/1323 | 17.9 | 317.4 | 1.06 | 1.06 [0.95;1.18] |
| Total | 5679/8808 | 5863/8685 | -348.5 | 2805.8 | 0.88 | 0.88 [0.85;0.92] |

Test for heterogeneity: $\chi^2_{107} = 179.8$ $p < 0.0001$ $I^2 = 41\%$ LRT+CT better | LRT better
 Test for interaction: $\chi^2_2 = 26.60$ $p < 0.0001$ LRT+CT effect: $p < 0.0001$

(a) Concomitant chemotherapy.

Survival (%)

Time from randomisation (Years)

Legend: ■■ Concomitant chemotherapy, ○○○ Control

Absolute difference at 5 years ± standard deviation: 6.5 ± 1.0 %

33.7 % (Concomitant chemotherapy)
27.2 % (Control)

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Pignon et al, Radioth Oncol 2009

Toxicity of concomitant CH-RxTh for HNSCC

Acute adverse effects: Grade ≥3

| Adverse Effect | RT alone (n=140) | CRT (n=130) | Significance |
|----------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Mucositis | ~12% | ~35% | p<0.01 |
| Dermatitis | ~5% | ~15% | p<0.05 |
| Leukopenia | ~10% | ~10% | ns |
| Nausea/emesis | ~5% | ~5% | ns |
| Xerostomia | ~5% | ~5% | ns |

ns, not significant
 CRT = CDDP + 5-FU + RT

Patients (%) Wendt TG, et al. J Clin Oncol 1998;16:1318-1324

Late Toxicity

Analysis of 230 patients receiving CRT in 3 studies (RTOG 91-11, 97-03, 9-14)

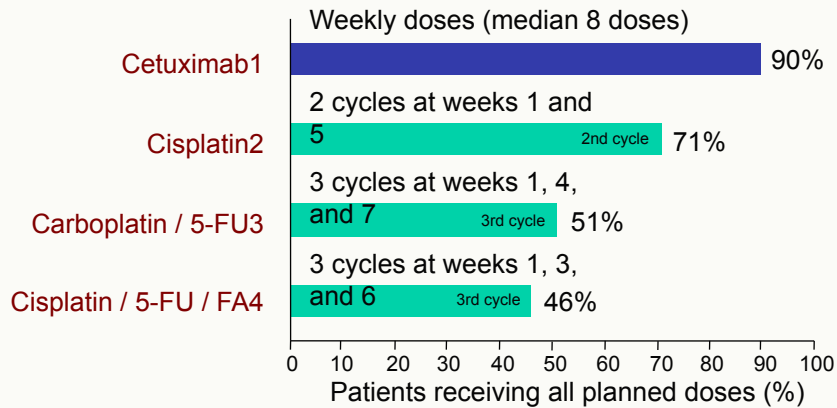
| Toxicity | Patients (%) |
|--|--------------|
| Any severe late toxicity | 43% |
| Feeding-tube dependence >2 yrs post-RT | 13% |
| Pharyngeal dysfunction | 27% |
| Laryngeal dysfunction | 12% |
| Death | 10% |

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Machtay M, et al. J Clin Oncol 2008; 26: 3582-3589

Treatment compliance to CRT or RT-EGFR-inh.

CRT arms of studies comparing CRT vs RT alone



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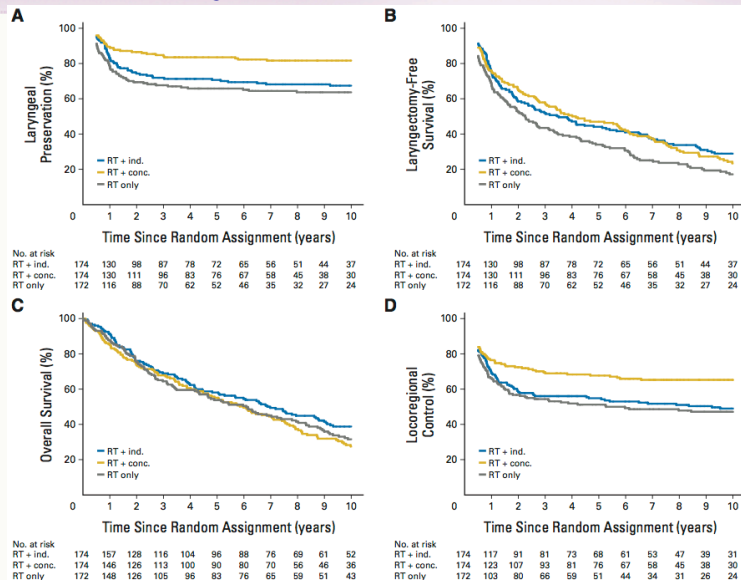
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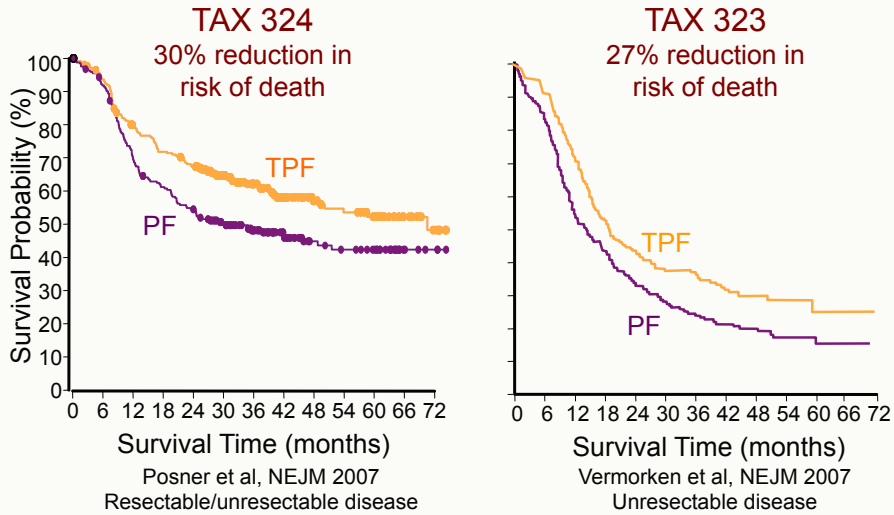
Chemotherapy: Induction or Concomitant?



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Induction chemotherapy revisited with TPF

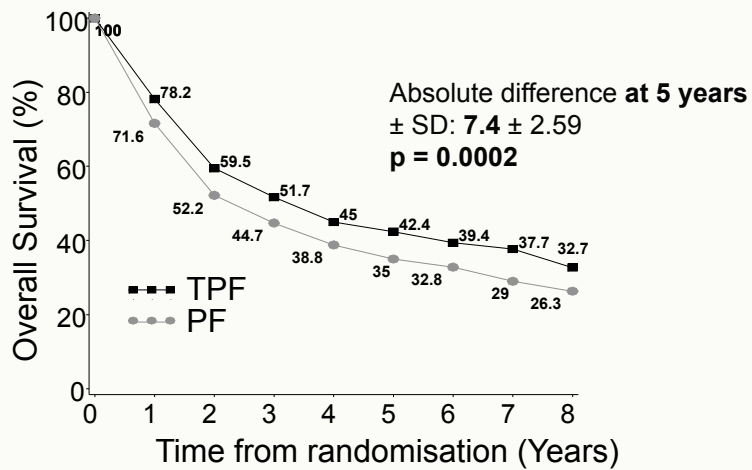


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Meta-Analysis of Chemotherapy
in Head & Neck Cancer

Meta-analysis on induction chemotherapy with TPF

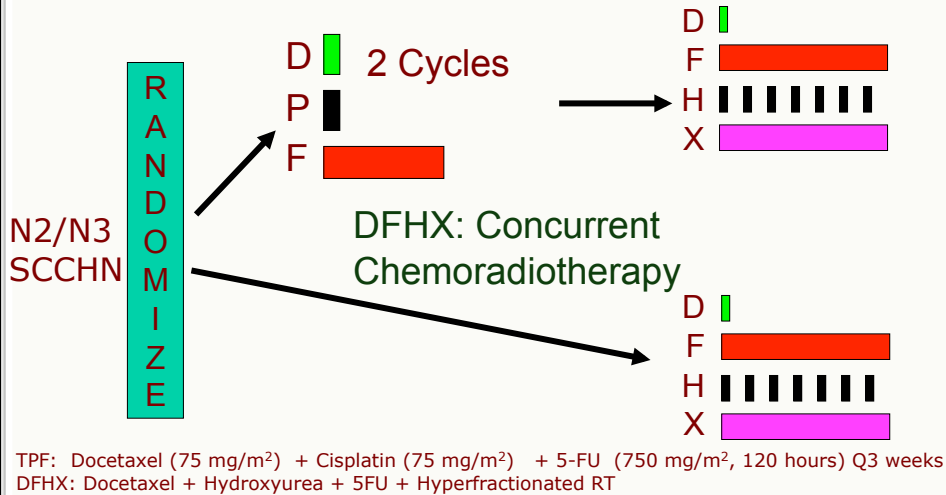


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CH-RT >< induction chemo + CH-RT

DeCIDE



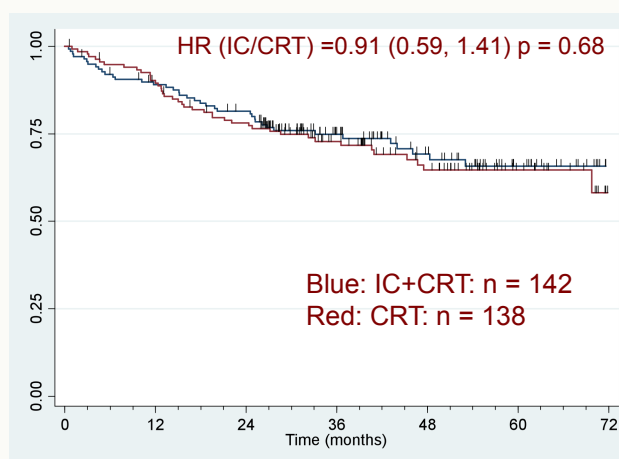
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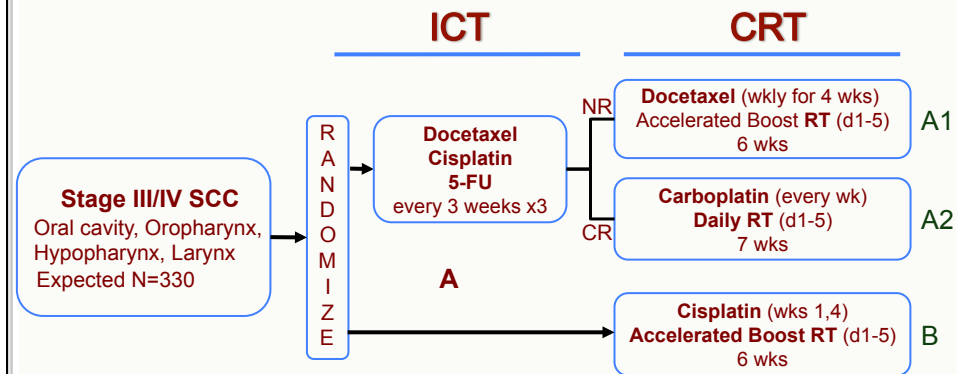


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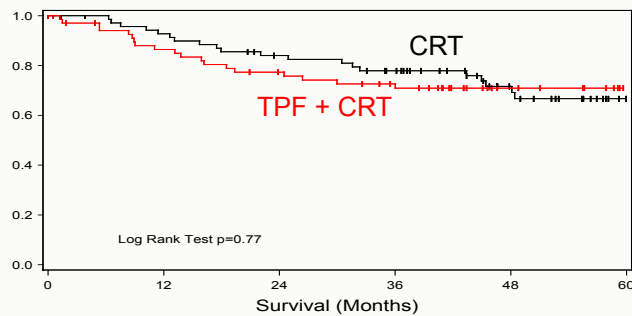
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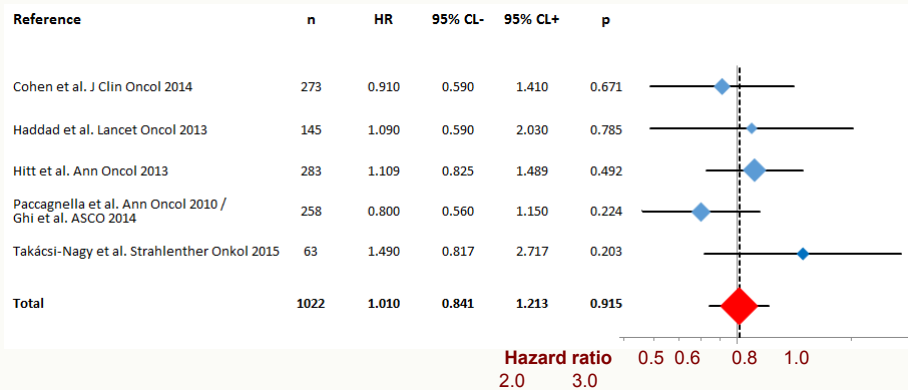
PARADIGM

Primary Endpoint: Overall Survival



Meta-analysis on induction chemotherapy with TPF

Overall survival



Non-surgical treatments for locally-advanced laryngeal cancers

- Efficacy RT-CH > RT alone (meta-analysis)
- Efficacy HF or AF > RT alone (meta-analysis)
- Efficacy C225-RT > RT alone (1 study!)
- Efficacy EGFR inh-RT-CH \leq RT-CH (≥ 2 studies)
- Efficacy Acc RT-CH \approx RT-CH (2 studies)
- Efficacy Ind CH + RT (responders) \approx TL + RT (2 studies)
- Efficacy Ind-CH (TPF) > Ind-CH (PF) (2 studies)
- Efficacy Ind CH + RT-CH \approx RT-CH (3 studies)
- Early & late toxicity RT + ... > RT (many studies)

Post-operative Radiotherapy: risk factors

- Extracapsular extension / soft tissue extension (ECE/STE)
- Oral cavity tumors
- R1 surgical margins
- Nerve invasion
- >1 neck nodes
- >1 positive node levels
- Node size > 3 cm
- > 6 week interval between surgery and RxTh

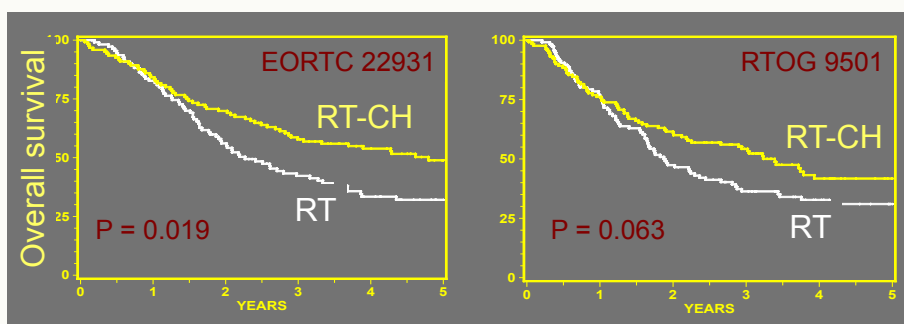
Low risk (LR): no adverse feature

Intermediate risk (IR): risk factors other than R1 or ECE/STE

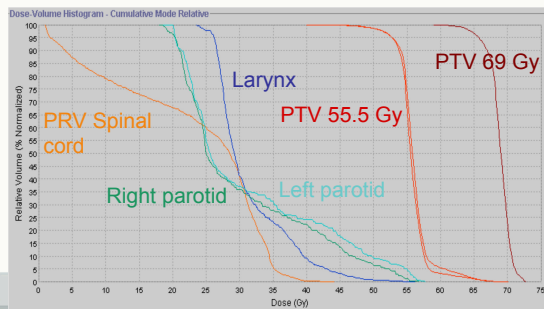
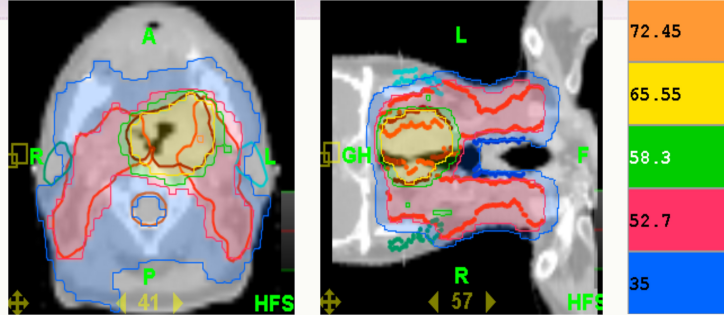
High risk (HR): R1 or ECE/STE

Post-operative Radiotherapy: overall survival

Patients with positive margin and/or ECE



IMRT for Head and Neck Tumors



Oropharyngeal SCC
T2-N0-M0
SIB-IMRT: 30x2.3 Gy
30x1.85 Gy

Clinical example

Clinical Target Volumes (CTV)



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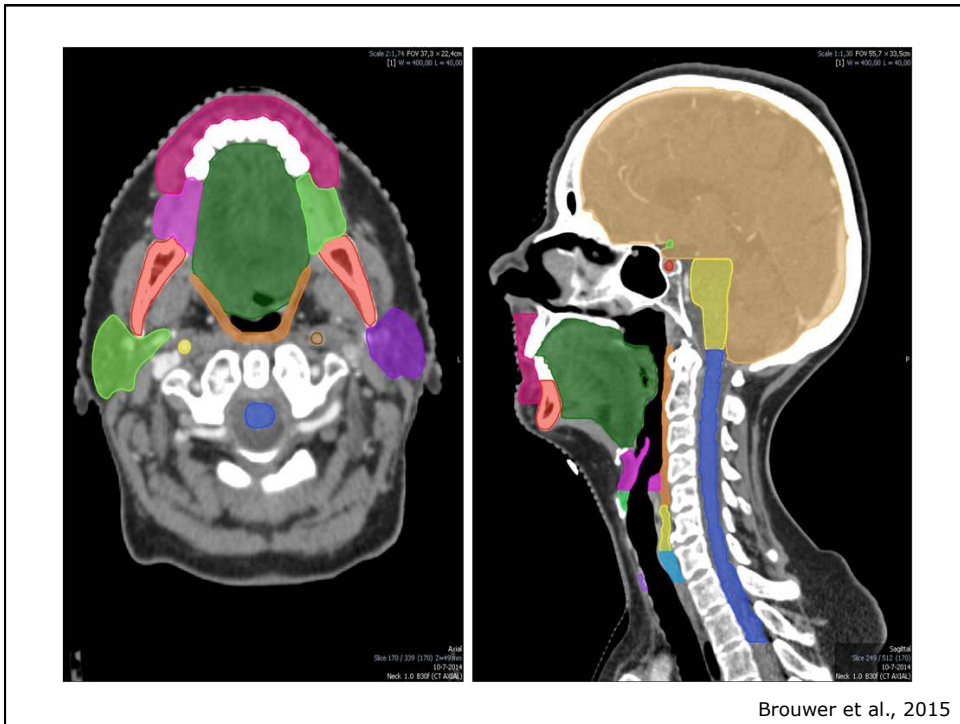
Delineation of the neck node levels for head and neck tumors: A 2013 update. DAHANCA, EORTC, HKNPCSG, NCIC CTG, NCRI, RTOG, TROG consensus guidelines[☆]

Vincent Grégoire^{a,*}, Kian Ang^b, Wilfried Budach^c, Cai Grau^d, Marc Hamoir^e, Johannes A. Langendijk^f, Anne Lee^g, Quynh-Thu Le^{h,i}, Philippe Maingon^j, Chris Nutting^k, Brian O'Sullivan^l, Sandro V. Porceddu^m, Benoit Lengeleⁿ

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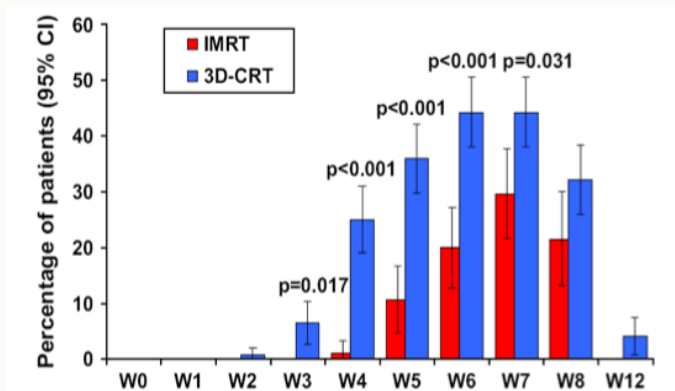
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Acute toxicity with IMRT

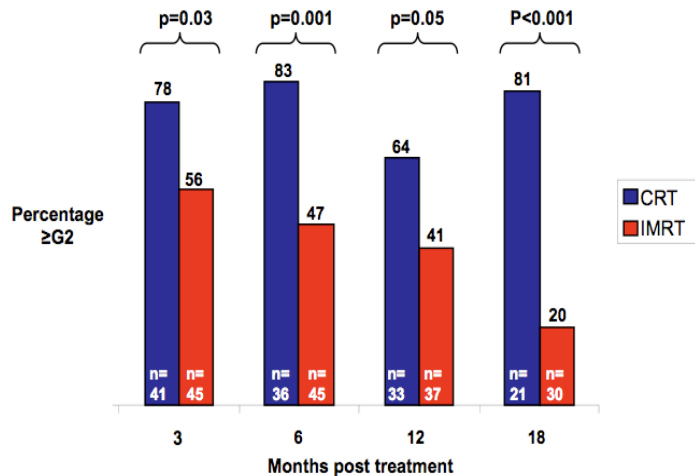
≥ grade 3 mucositis: IMRT vs 3D-CRT



Note: The prevalence of grade 3 or higher mucositis was significantly lower among IMRT-treated patients. This is most likely due to the SIB-technique used with a lower dose per fraction and a longer overall treatment time of radiation for the elective part of the target volume.

Parotid gland sparing in IMRT for HNSCC

RTOG Subjective Salivary Gland toxicity $\geq G2^*$



Nutting et al. JCO 2009;27 (18s):799s (LBA6006)

*Moderate or complete dryness of mouth
poor or no response on stimulation

Nutting, 2009

This house believes that ...

- RO will be (even more) multidisciplinary...
- RO will be **conformal** (e.g. IMRT, proton, hadrons)...
- RO will be **tailored** (based on imaging and molecular profiling) and **adaptive** ...
- RO will be associated with targeted agents ...

Management of the Neck Following Chemo-radiotherapy

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Current Treatment Philosophy for Cancers of the Oro- Hypopharynx and Larynx

- **Definitive treatment with chemoradiation and surgical salvage**
- **Post-treatment management of the N+ neck is evolving and has become a source of controversy**



Contents - Issues

- **Own series**
- **The need to perform a “planned” neck dissection routinely**
- **The timing of the neck dissection**
- **The extent of the neck dissection**



Study Objectives

To determine:

- **Regional failure after chemoradiation**
- **Diagnostic accuracy**
- **Efficacy of salvage (non-planned) neck dissections, based on: clinical, imaging (anatomic and metabolic), cytological abnormality**



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Population

- **N=401 Chemoradiation Patients**

| Stage | N0 | N1 | N2a | N2b | N2c | N3 | Total |
|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| T1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| T2 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 17 | 7 | 3 | 48 |
| T3 | 51 | 22 | 10 | 41 | 41 | 3 | 168 |
| T4 | 56 | 27 | 4 | 35 | 40 | 14 | 176 |
| Total | 112 | 57 | 23 | 100 | 88 | 21 | 401 |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

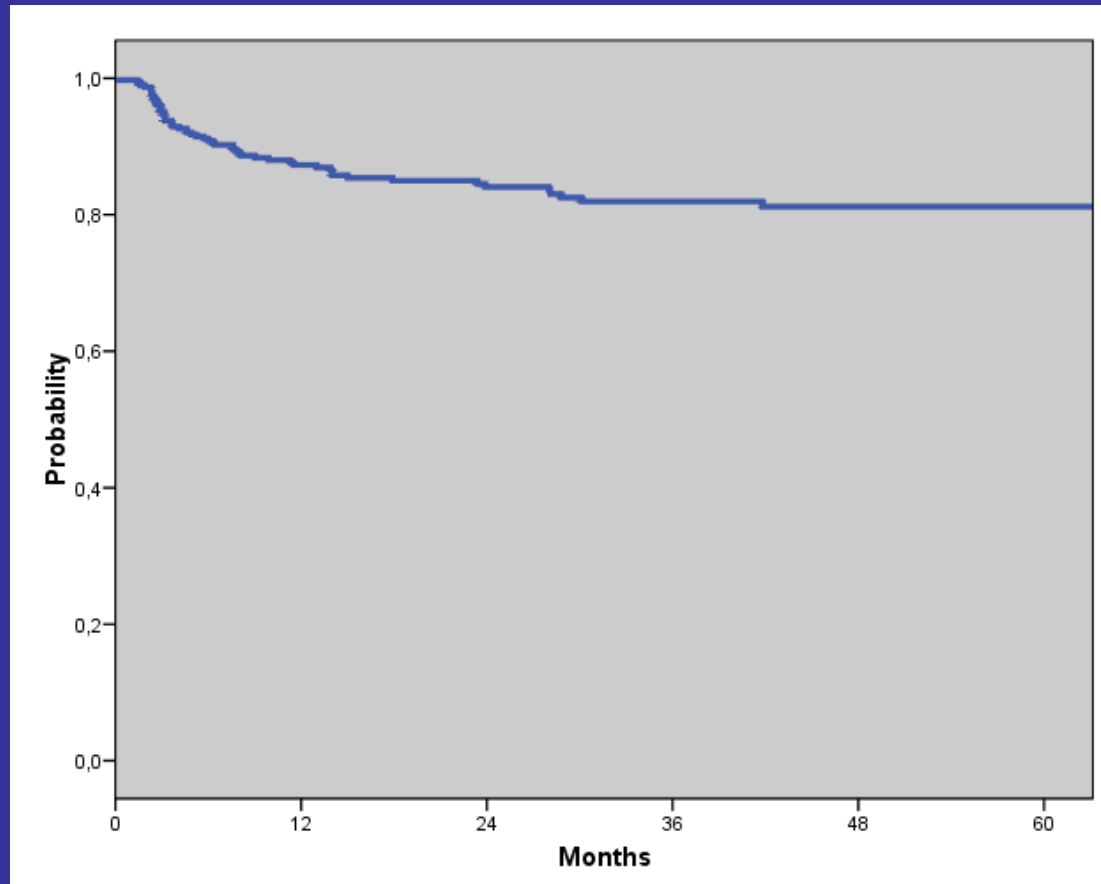
Regional Failure

| N-stage | No regional recurrence | Regional recurrence |
|---------|------------------------|---------------------|
| N0 | 101 | 11 (10%) |
| N1 | 54 | 3 (5%) |
| N2a | 20 | 3 (13%) |
| N2b | 84 | 15 (15%) |
| N2c | 68 | 20 (23%) |
| N3 | 15 | 6 (29%) |
| Total | 342 | 58 (15%) |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Regional Control after CRT

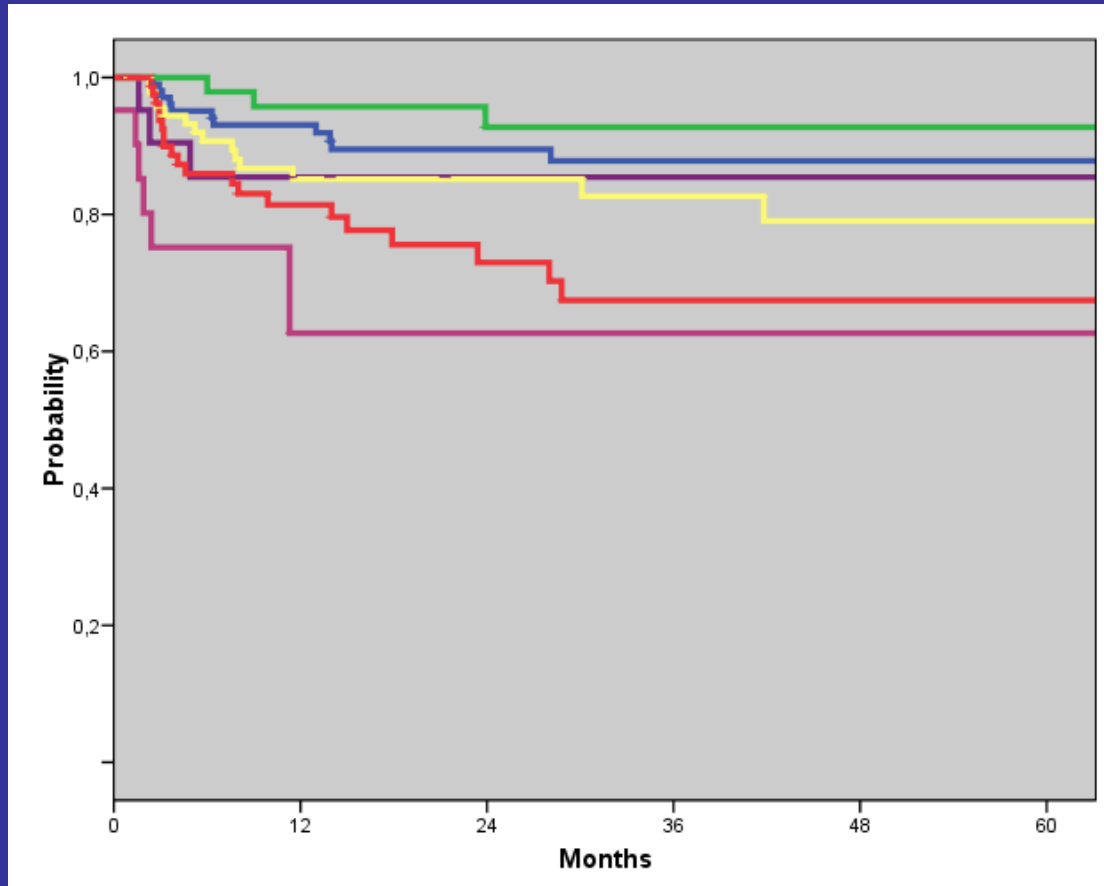


82%



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Regional Control after CRT



N0
N1
N2a
N2b
N2c
N3



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Imaging: MRI (n=164)

| | MRI Neck Sensitive test (equivocal = +ve) | MRI Neck Conservative test (equivocal = -ve) |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Sensitivity | 42% | 23% |
| Specificity | 85% | 98% |
| PPV | 34% | 67% |
| NPV | 89% | 87% |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Imaging: FDG-PET-CT (n=115)

| | PET Neck Sensitive test (equivocal = +ve) | PET Neck Conservative test (equivocal = -ve) |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Sensitivity | 35% | 22% |
| Specificity | 86% | 95% |
| PPV | 38% | 50% |
| NPV | 84% | 83% |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Patients Not Salvaged (n=22)

| Reason | # | % |
|----------------|----|----|
| DM | 12 | 55 |
| Unresectable | 7 | 32 |
| Poor condition | 2 | 9 |
| Died | 1 | 4 |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Details of Surgery

| Characteristics | All patients (N=36) | (Pharyngo) laryngectomy (N=6) | Composite resection (N=2) | Lymph node dissection (N=28) |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Flap reconstruction | | | | |
| No | 10 (28%) | 1 (17%) | 0 (0%) | 11 (39%) |
| Yes | 26 (72%) | 5 (83%) | 2 (100%) | 17 (61%) |
| Type of reconstruction | | | | |
| No | 12 (33%) | 1 (17%) | 0 (0%) | 11 (39%) |
| PM | 21 (58%) | 4 (66%) | 0 (0%) | 17 (61%) |
| RFFF | 1 (3%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (50%) | 0 (0%) |
| Rectus Abdominis | 1 (3%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (50%) | 0 (0%) |
| Fibula + Gracilis | 1 (3%) | 1 (17%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) |
| Re-operation with flap | | | | |
| No | 27 (75%) | 5 (83%) | 1 (50%) | 21 (75%) |
| Yes | 9 (25%) | 1 (17%) | 1 (50%) | 7 (25%) |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Complications (n=36)

| Complications | # | % |
|---|----|----|
| No | 18 | 62 |
| Fistula | 3 | 8 |
| Infection/ Delayed wound healing | 14 | 39 |
| Free flap failure | 1 | 3 |
| Patients with ≥ 1 complications | 19 | 53 |



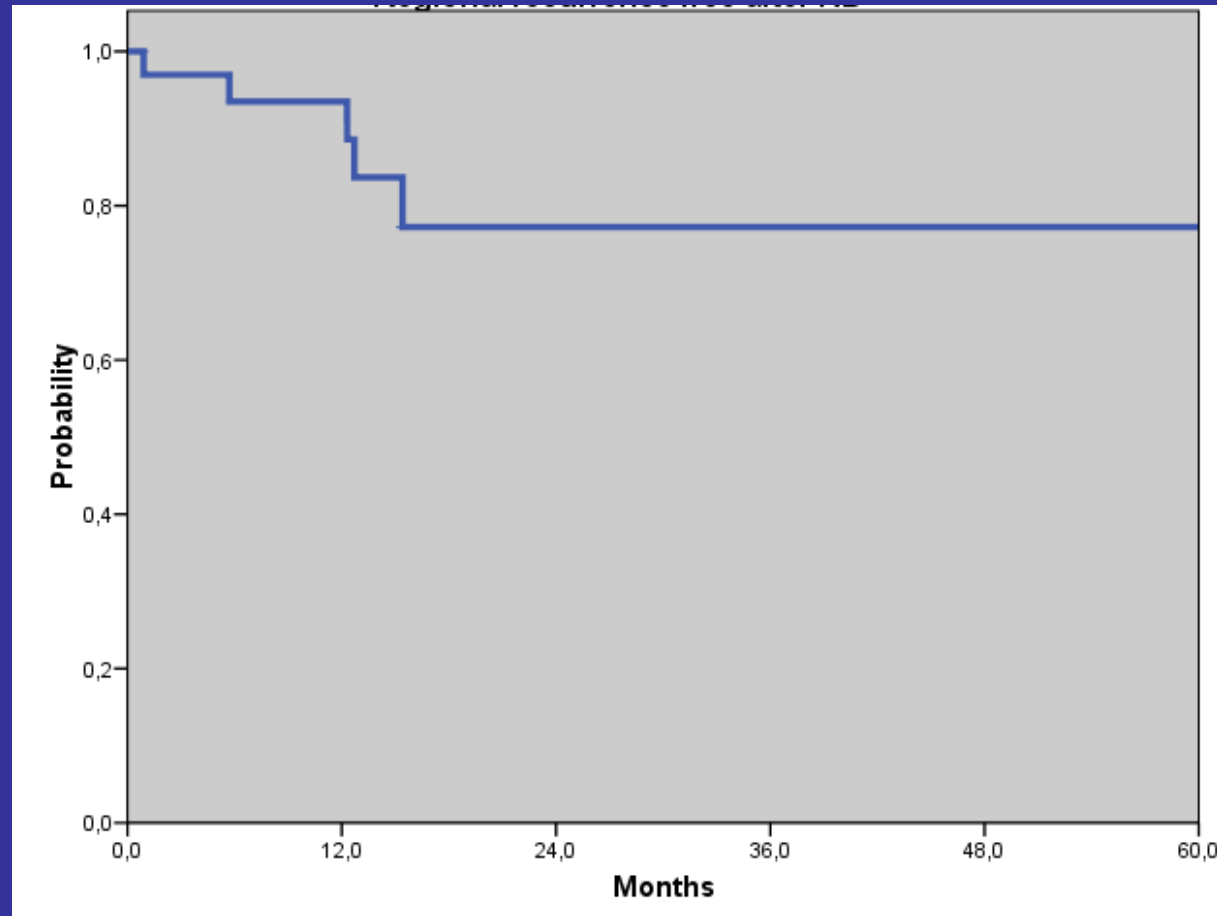
Histopathology Salvage Neck Dissection

| Pathology | # | % |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| R0 | 30 | 84 |
| Close | 3 | 8 |
| Positive | 3 | 8 |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

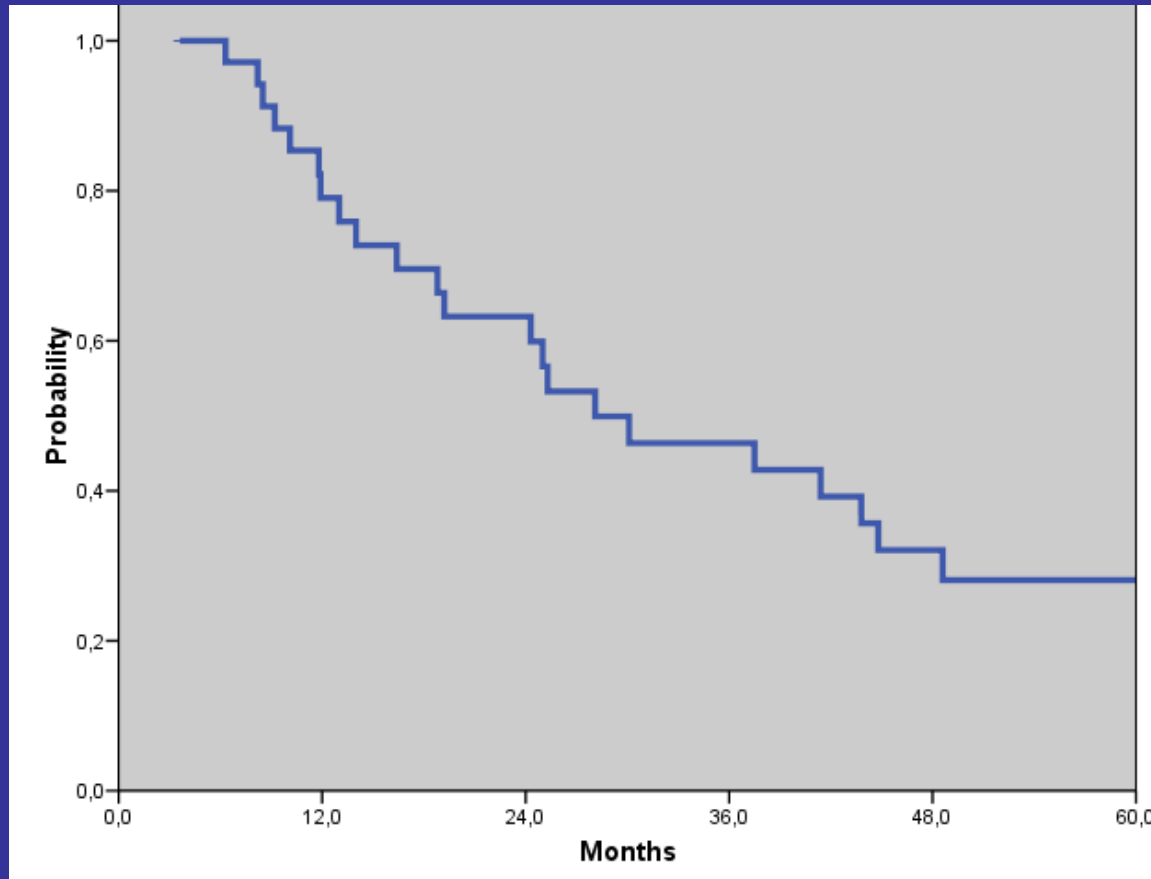
Neck Control after Salvage Neck Dissection



77%



Survival after Salvage Neck Dissection



28%



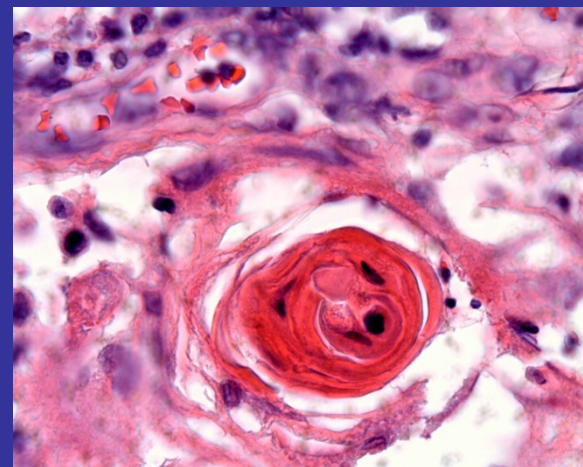
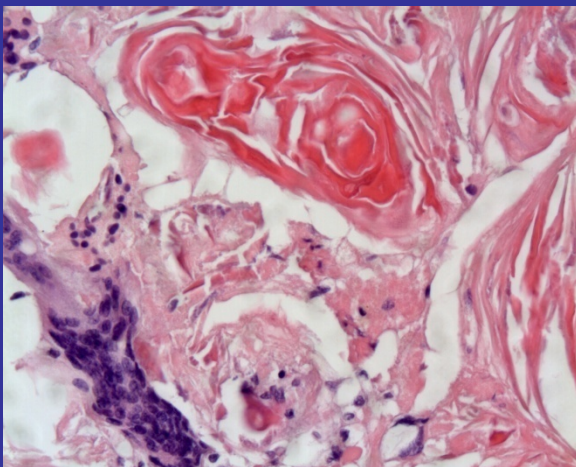
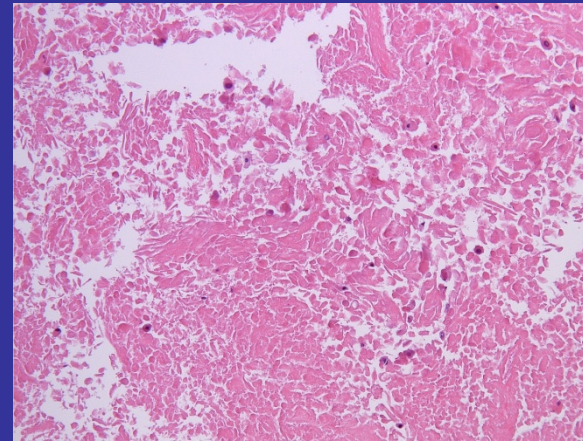
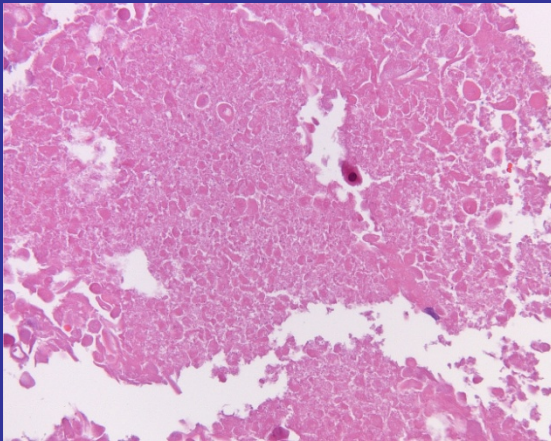
Issue 1

- **Is it necessary to routinely dissect the N+ neck after treatment with radiation with or without chemotherapy?**



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

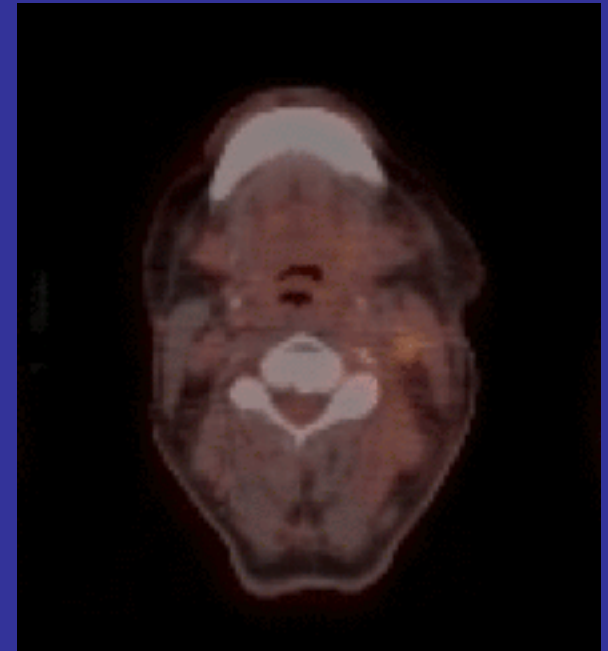
Non-vital Tumor



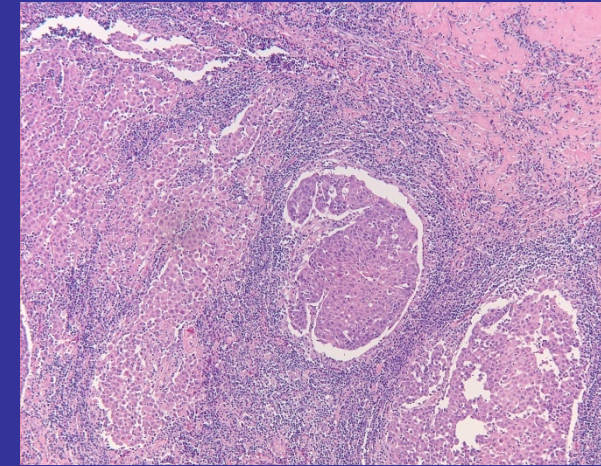
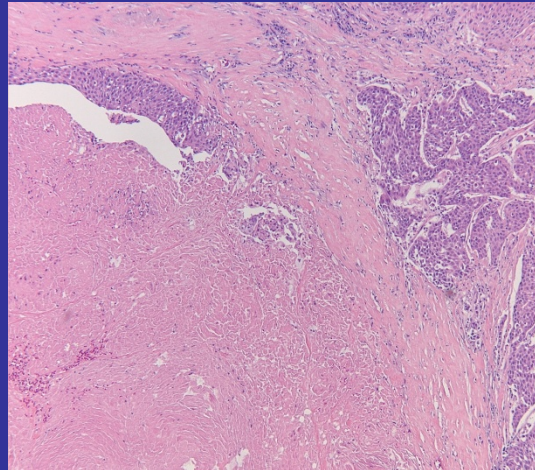
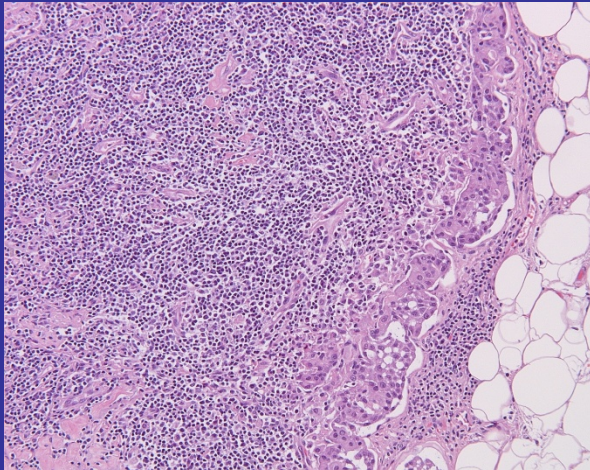
Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Case: Male, 69

- T2N2b oropharyngeal cancer
- Recurrent swelling neck 9 months after chemoradiation
- PET positive
- Primary controlled
- Modified radical neck dissection



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation



Histopathology MRND-specimen:

- Level II: 2 metastases with extranodal spread, maximal diameter 2.5 cm
- Level III: 4 metastases with extranodal spread and (lymph) angio-invasion
- Level IV: 1 metastasis with (lymph) angio-invasion.
- 10 nodes without tumor

Pros

- “MND still appears to confer a disease-free survival and overall survival **advantage** with acceptably low morbidity”in patients with N2-3 disease undergoing CRT
- BUT, do all patients with N2-3 disease need it?



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Study

- **Retrospective Study: 108 patients, advanced HNSCC**
- **Hyperfractionated radiotherapy and concurrent cisplatin and 5-FU**

| Neck Dissection | # |
|-------------------|-----------|
| “Modified” | 65 |
| None* | 29 |

* Physician and or patient preference



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

4-years Survival

| N-Stage | Neck Dissection | DFS | Overall |
|---------|-----------------|-----|---------|
| N1 | Yes | 70% | |
| | No | 70% | |
| N2-3 | Yes | 75% | 77% |
| | No | 53% | 50% |

p = .04



Cons

- **Less than one third have histological evidence of nodal metastases**
- **In cases with a CR: probability of an isolated recurrence in the neck is low (0% - 11%)**



Amsterdam Head and Neck Group Study

- 68 neck dissections in 61 patients
- Suspicion of residual or recurrent regional disease after CRT
- 42 SND and 26 MRND



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Efficacy of Salvage ND following CRT

| cN-Stage | Recurrence | Salvage |
|----------|------------|---------|
| 0-1 | 11% | 3.5% |
| 2+ | 32% | 16% |

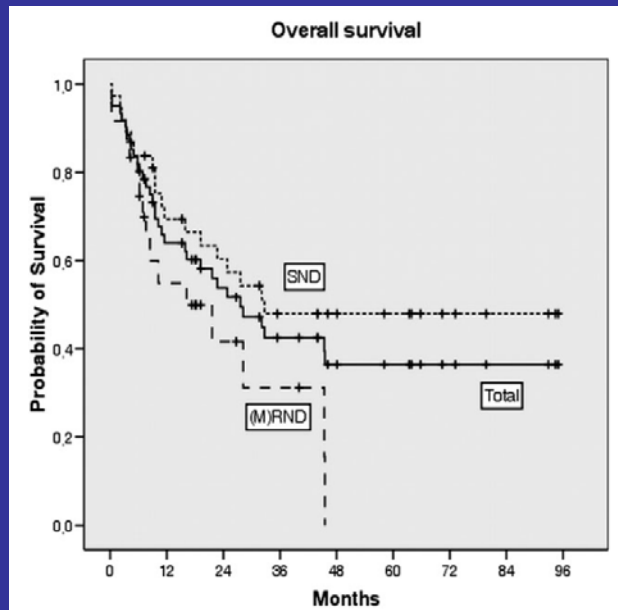


Table 5. Univariate analysis and multivariate analysis for overall survival.

| Variable | <i>p</i> value | |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| | Univariate | Multivariate |
| T classification | .75 | .81 |
| N classification | .33 | .47 |
| Chemoradiation scheme | .17 | .43 |
| Tumor site | .96 | .29 |
| Tumor stage | .70 | .70 |
| Residual/recurrent disease | .08 | .03 |
| Viable tumor | .03 | .61 |
| Type of neck dissection | .04 | .06 |
| Surgical margins | <.001 | <.001 |



Planned Neck Dissection for All N>1?

- The paradigm to perform routine neck dissection based on N-staging is **obsolete**



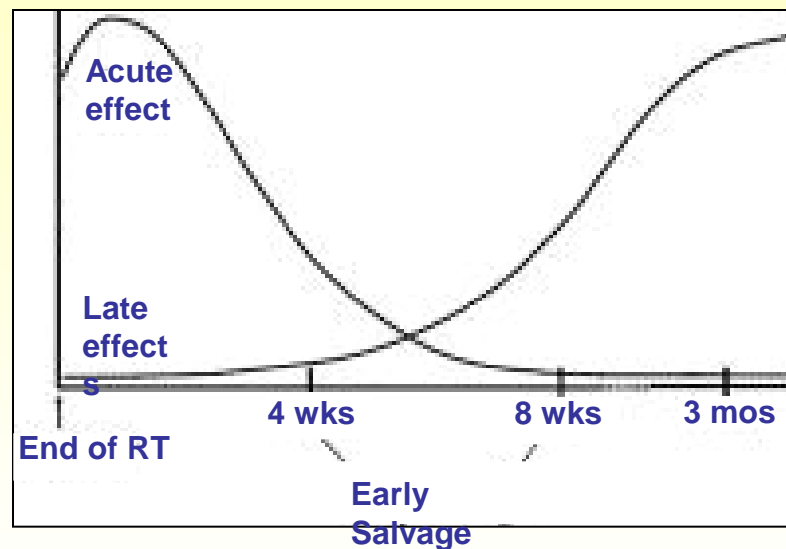
Issue 2

- **The timing of the neck dissection**
- **Related to regression after treatment and accuracy (esp. NPV) of imaging modalities**



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

Time Window Response Evaluation



Window for response evaluation,
when acute inflammatory reactions subside and before long-term soft tissue damage
is maximal

Dilemma: early diagnostics less reliable



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

FDG-PET-CT: Regional Control

Accuracy PET for detection of lymph node metastases is interval dependent:

| Author | Interval after chemoradiation | Negative Predictive Value | |
|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Rogers | 4 weeks | 14% | (95%CI: 3%-45%) |
| McCollum | 4-12 weeks | 73% | (95%CI: 46%-99%) |
| Yao; Porceddu | > 8 weeks | 97% - 100% | (95%CI: 87%-99% en 96%-100%) |

Rogers JW *et al.* Int J Radiat.Oncol Biol Phys 2004;58:694-7

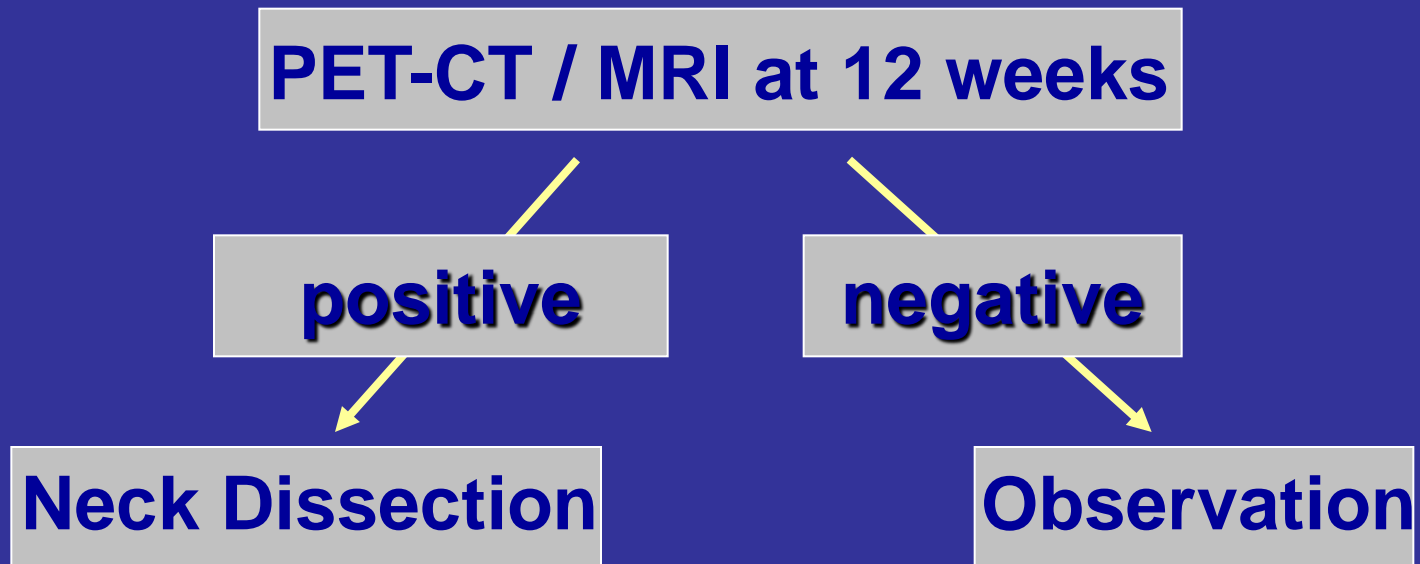
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Clinical or Imaging Abnormality



Issue 3

- **The extent of the neck dissection**



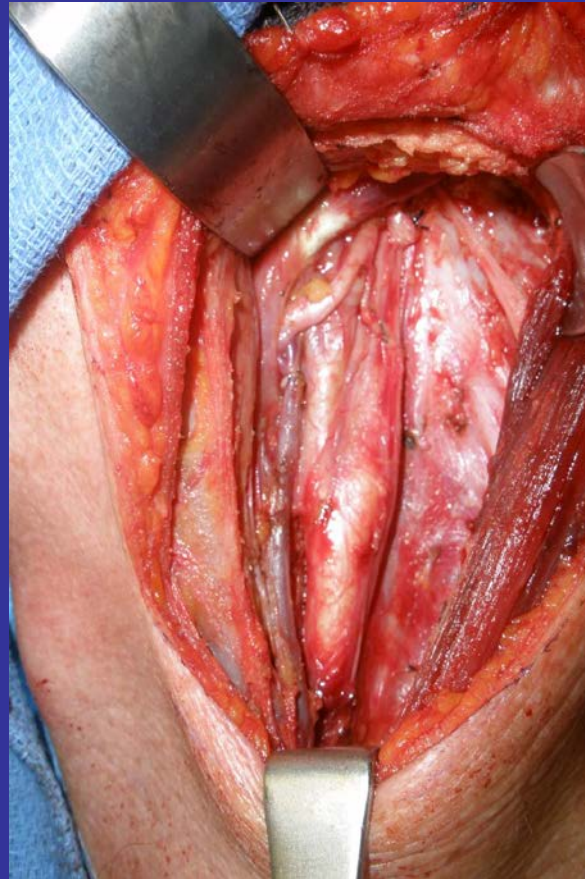
Trend Towards more Selective Neck Dissection

| Author | Selective Neck Dissection | Recurrence in the Neck |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Stenson <i>et al.</i> | 56 | 1 (2%) |
| Robbins <i>et al.</i> | 33 | 1 (3%) |



Neck Dissection and Chemoradiation

(Super) Selective Neck Dissection



Courtesy of Dr. Jesus E. Medina



Location of Positive Nodes

- **Is single level dissection Feasible and safe?**



Summary

- **Evolving role of neck dissection in 21st century**
- **Planned dissections based on cN-stage are not recommended**
- **Evaluations at 3 months (NOT earlier)**
- **Trend towards more selective procedures**





1632 - Anatomy lesson of dr. Nicolaes Tulp
Rembrandt van Rijn

Thank you for your attention



Concepts behind selection and delineation of target volumes in radiotherapy

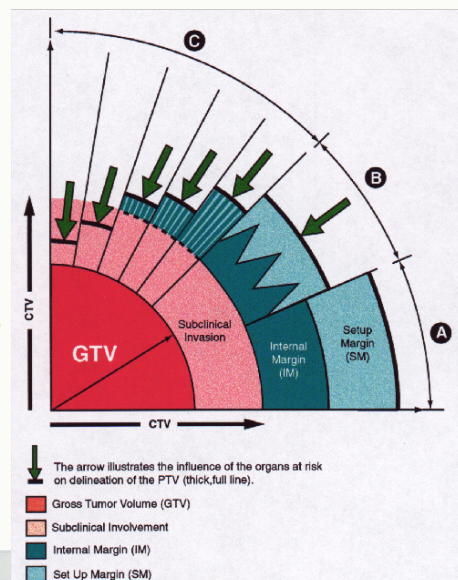
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Target volumes in Radiation Oncology: ICRU definition

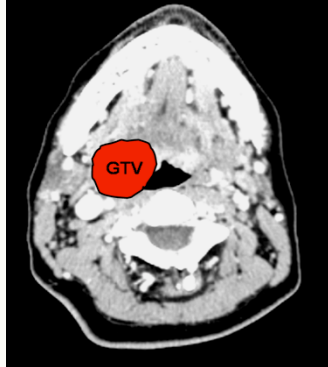
- Gross Tumor Volume: GTV
- Clinical Target Volume: CTV
- Planning Target Volume: PTV
- Organ at Risk (OAR)
- Planning Organ at Risk Volume (PRV)



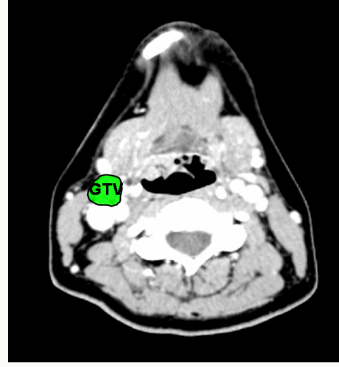
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T2 N1 M0 Tonsil Cancer

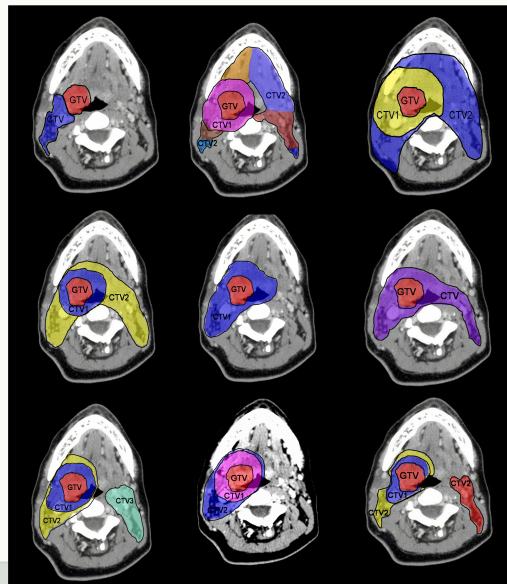
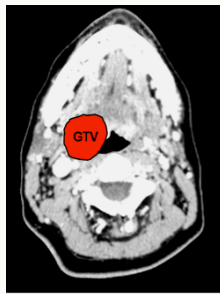
Primary
Tumor



Neck
Node



H&N IMRT practice heterogeneity



Conformal radiotherapy and IMRT in Head and Neck Tumors

Sources of information

- Anatomy of the lymphatic system
- Lymph node distribution:
 - clinical
 - radiological
 - pathological
- Pattern of failure after selective treatment

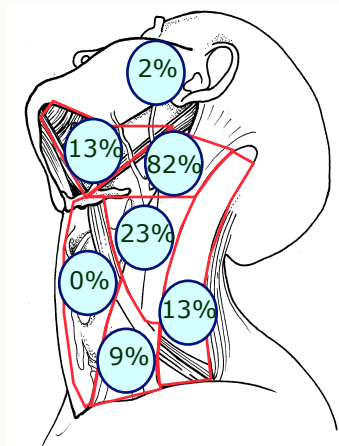
Definition of the extend of the CTV in the neck

State of the art

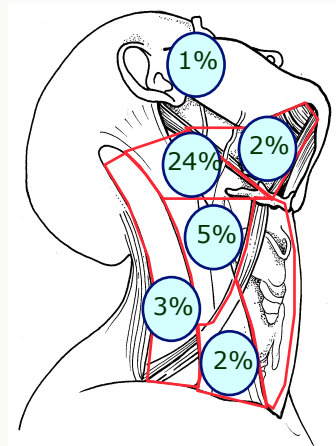
- Predictive pattern of lymph node involvement in HNSCC
- Selective neck treatment (irradiation or dissection) for selected N stage

Distribution of lymph node metastasis in oropharyngeal tumors (clinical examination)

Ipsilateral nodes



Controlateral nodes



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From Bataini and Lindberg

Incidence of retropharyngeal lymph nodes in head and neck squamous cell carcinomas

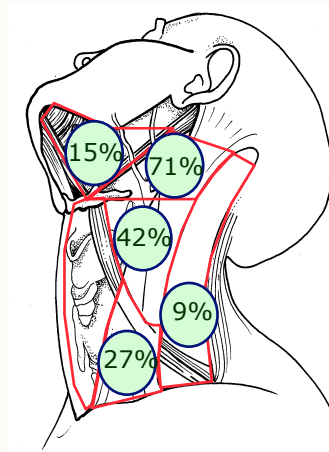
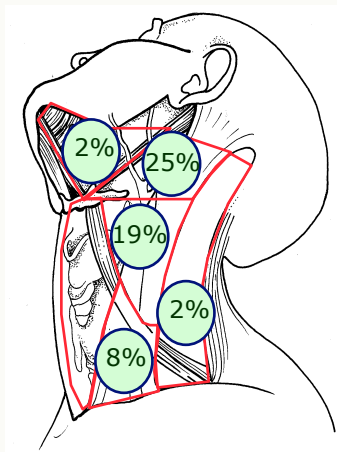
| | N0 neck | N+ neck |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Oropharynx | | |
| pharyngeal wall (n=93) | 16% | 21% |
| soft palate (n=53) | 5% | 19% |
| tonsillar fossa (n=176) | 4% | 12% |
| base of tongue (n=121) | 0% | 6% |
| Hypopharynx (n=136) | 0% | 9% |
| Supraglottic larynx (n=196) | 0% | 4% |
| Nasopharynx (n=474) | 17% | 47% |

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From McLaughlin, Chua, Chong

Incidence of pathologic lymph node metastasis in oropharyngeal tumors

Clinically N0 neck (n=48) Clinically N+ neck (n=165)

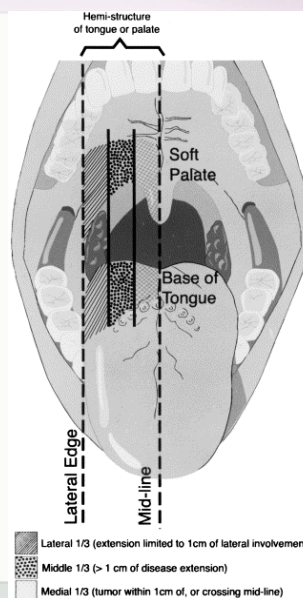


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From Candela, 1990

Unilateral or bilateral neck treatment?

- 228 tonsil SCC: T1-T3, N0 or unilateral N+
- Unilateral wedge-pair fields
- Contralateral neck failure: 8/228 (3.5%)
- Unilateral treatment if < 1 cm soft palate and/or base of tongue infiltration



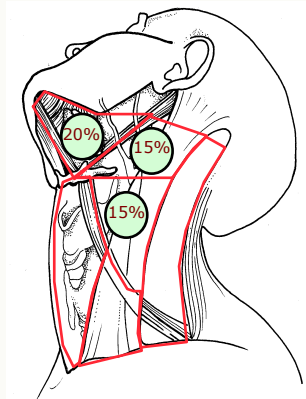
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O'Sullivan B, *IJROBP* 2001

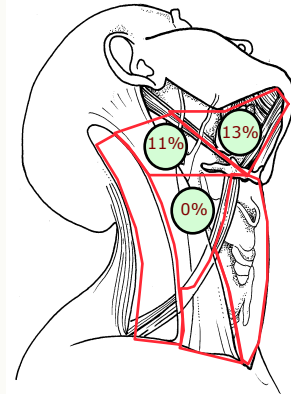
Incidence of ipsilateral and contralateral pathologic lymph nodes

Supraomohyoid neck dissection for lip (44%), oral cavity (82%), or other SCC.

Ipsilateral nodes



Contralateral nodes



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From Kowalski et al., 1993

Pattern of neck failure after selective neck treatment by IMRT for HNSCC

| Authors | Site | Neck treatment | Neck failure (%) | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | | | treated level | untreated level |
| Bayman (2014) | HNSCC (n=136) | IMRT ± CH | 2% | 0% |
| Chen (2010) ¹ | HNSCC (n=90) | ND + IMRT | 14% | 8% |
| Chao (2002) | HNSCC (n=126) | IMRT | 8% | 4% |
| | | ND + IMRT | 7% | 4% |
| Dandekar (2014) | HNSCC (n=114) | IMRT + CH | 9% | 2% |
| Dawson (2000) | HNSCC (n=57) | IMRT ± ND | 9% | 5% |
| O 'Sullivan (2001) | Tonsillar fossa (n=228) | Ipsilateral 2D-RxTh | 17% ¹ | 3.5% ² |

¹ipsilateral recurrences

²contralateral recurrences

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Pattern of neck failure after selective neck treatment by IMRT for HNSCC

| Reference | No. patients | Tumour site | Median follow-up/months | No. patients with locoregional failure | Marginal failures | Out-of-field locoregional failures |
|-----------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|
| [24] | 126 | HNSCC | 26 | 17 (including persistent disease) | 3 (also 5 in anterior neck field) | 0 |
| [22] | 133 | Non-nasopharyngeal HNSCC | 32 | 21 | 4 | 0 |
| [19] | 150 | HNSCC | 18 | 11 | 1 | 0 |
| [25] | 280 | HNSCC | 23 | 77 (including persistent disease) | 1 | 3 |
| [26] | 100 | HNSCC | 37 | 10 | 2 | 0 |
| [27] | 107 | Oropharynx | 29 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| [17] | 776 | Oropharynx | 54 | 77 | 7 (inside lower dose planning target volume) | 5 |
| [21] | 131 | Oropharynx | 40 | 35 | 0 | 4 |

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Bayman et al., Clin. Oncol., 2014

Which CTV for the neck?

Oral cavity Carcinoma

| Nodal stage (AJCC 1997) | Levels to be included in the CTV | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| | Ipsilateral neck | Contralateral neck |
| N0 - N1 (in level I, II or III) | I, II ¹ , III + IV for anterior tongue tumor | I, II ¹ , III + IV for anterior tongue tumor |
| N2a - N2b | I, II, III, IV, V ² | I, II ¹ , III + IV for anterior tongue tumor |
| N2c | According to N stage on each side of the neck | According to N stage on each side of the neck |
| N3 | I, II, III, IV, V ± adjacent structures according to clinical and radiological data | I, II ¹ , III + IV for anterior tongue tumor |

¹level IIb could be omitted for N0 patients

²level V could be omitted if only level I-III are involved

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Grégoire et al., 2000

Which CTV for the neck?

Oropharyngeal Carcinoma

| Nodal stage (AJCC 1997) | Levels to be included in the CTV | |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| | Ipsilateral neck | Contralateral neck |
| N0 - N1 (in level II, III or IV) | II-III-IV + RP ¹ for post. pharyngeal wall tumor | II-III-IV + RP ¹ for post. pharyngeal wall tumor |
| N2a - N2b | Ib, II, III, IV, V + RP | II-III-IV + RP ¹ for post. pharyngeal wall tumor |
| N2c | According to N stage on each side of the neck | According to N stage on each side of the neck |
| N3 | I, II, III, IV, V + RP ± adjacent structures according to clinical and radiological data | II-III-IV + RP ¹ for post. pharyngeal wall tumor |

¹retropharyngeal nodes

Which CTV for the neck?

Hypopharyngeal Carcinoma

| Nodal stage (AJCC 1997) | Levels to be included in the CTV | |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| | Ipsilateral neck | Contralateral neck |
| N0 | II ¹ -III-IV + RP ² for post. phar. wall tumor + VI for apex of pirif. sinus or esophageal extension | II ¹ -III-IV + RP ² for post. phar. wall tumor + VI for esophageal extension |
| N1 - N2a - N2b | Ib, II, III, IV, V + RP + VI for pirif. sinus or esophageal extension | II ¹ -III-IV + RP ² for post. phar. wall tumor + VI for esophageal extension |
| N2c | According to N stage on each side of the neck | According to N stage on each side of the neck |
| N3 | I, II, III, IV, V + RP + VI pirif. sinus or for esophageal extension ± adjacent structures according to clinical and radiological data | II ¹ -III-IV + RP ² for post. pharyngeal wall tumor + VI for esophageal extension |

Level Ib could be omitted for N0 patients

²retropharyngeal nodes

Which CTV for the neck?

Laryngeal Carcinoma

| Nodal stage (AJCC 1997) | Levels to be included in the CTV | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| | Ipsilateral neck | Contralateral neck |
| N0 - N1 (in level II, III or IV) | II ¹ -III-IV + VI for trans- or sub-glottis extension | II ¹ -III-IV + VI for trans- or sub-glottis extension |
| N2a - N2b | II, III, IV, V + VI for trans- or sub-glottis extension | II ¹ -III-IV + VI for trans- or sub-glottis extension |
| N2c | According to N stage on each side of the neck | According to N stage on each side of the neck |
| N3 | Ib, II, III, IV, V + VI for trans- or sub-glottis extension ± adjacent structures according to clinical and radiological data | II ¹ -III-IV + VI for trans- or sub-glottis extension |

¹Level IIb could be omitted for N0 patients

Which CTV for the neck?

Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma

| Nodal stage (AJCC 1997) | Levels to be included in the CTV | |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| | Ipsilateral neck | Contralateral neck |
| N0 - N2 | II-III-IV-V + RP ¹ | II-III-IV-V + RP ¹ |
| N3 | II-III-IV-V + RP ¹ ± adjacent structures according to clinical and radiological data | II-III-IV-V + RP ¹ |

¹retropharyngeal nodes

Guidelines for the treatment of the neck of patients with HNSCC: unilateral - bilateral?

Unilateral treatment

- lower gum
- lateral border of mobile tongue
- lateral floor of mouth
- retromolar trigone
- Cheek
- tonsillar fossa / tonsillar pillars
- lateral wall of piriform sinus

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Selection and delineation of lymph node target volumes in head and neck conformal radiotherapy. Proposal for standardizing terminology and procedure based on the surgical experience

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CT-based delineation of lymph node levels and related CTVs in the node-negative neck: DAHANCA, EORTC, GORTEC, NCIC, RTOG consensus guidelines

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RTOG: <http://www.rtog.org/hnatlas/main.htm>

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CT-based delineation of lymph node levels in the neck

“Difficulties in the surgical-based definition of neck node levels”

- Cranial limit of level II
- Cranial, caudal and posterior limits of level V
- Caudal limit of level IV

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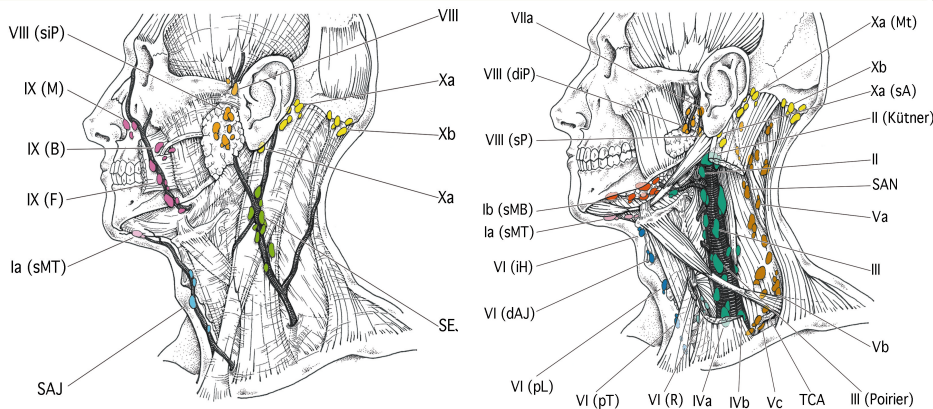
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CT-based delineation of lymph node levels in the neck (revised version 2013)



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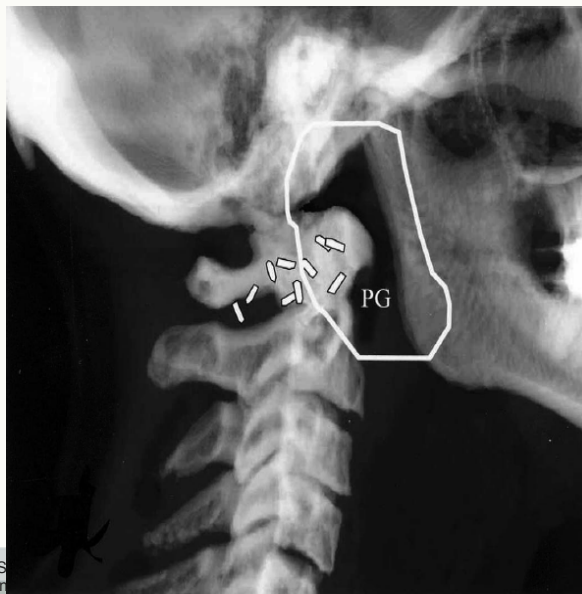
CT-based delineation of lymph node levels in the neck (revised version 2013)

| TNM atlas for lymph nodes of the neck | | Node levels modified from Robbins | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| Group number | Terminology | Level | Terminology |
| 1 | submental nodes | Ia | submental group |
| 2 | submandibular nodes | Ib | submandibular group |
| 3 | cranial jugular nodes | II | upper jugular group |
| 4 | middle jugular nodes | III | middle jugular group |
| 5 | caudal jugular nodes | IVa | lower jugular group |
| | | IVb | medial supraclavicular group |
| 6 | dorsal cervical nodes along the spinal accessory nerve | V | posterior triangle group |
| | | Va | - upper posterior triangle nodes |
| | | Vb | - lower posterior triangle nodes |
| 7 | supraclavicular nodes | Vc | lateral supraclavicular group |
| 8 | prelaryngeal and paratracheal nodes | VI | anterior compartment group: |
| | | VIa | - prelaryngeal & pretracheal nodes |
| | | VIb | - paratracheal & recurrent nerve nodes |
| 9 | retropharyngeal nodes | VII | prevertebral compartment group: |
| | | VIIa | - retropharyngeal nodes |
| | | VIIb | - retro-styloid nodes |
| 10 | parotid nodes | VIII | parotid group |
| 11 | buccal nodes | IX | bucco-facial group |
| 12 | retroauricular and occipital nodes | X | Posterior skull group: |
| | | Xa | - retroauricular nodes |
| | | Xb | - occipital nodes |

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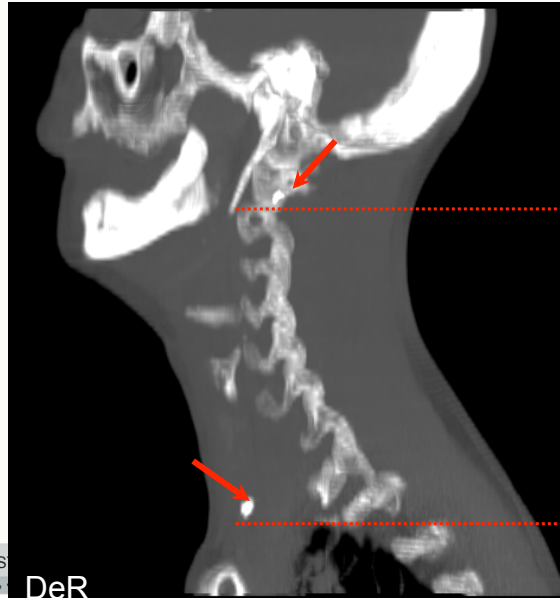


Cranial limit of level II after SND (II-V) for N0 pts (n=10)

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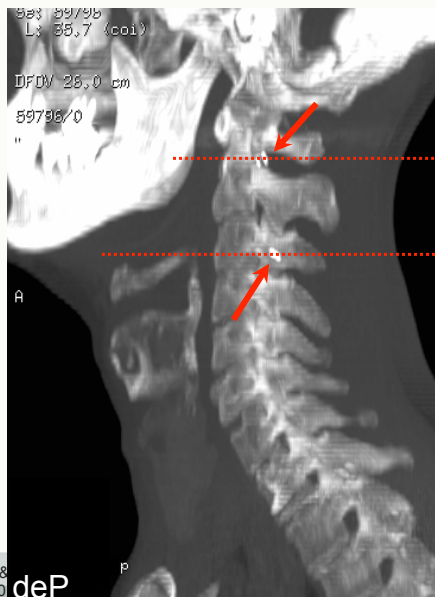
Upper limit of level II

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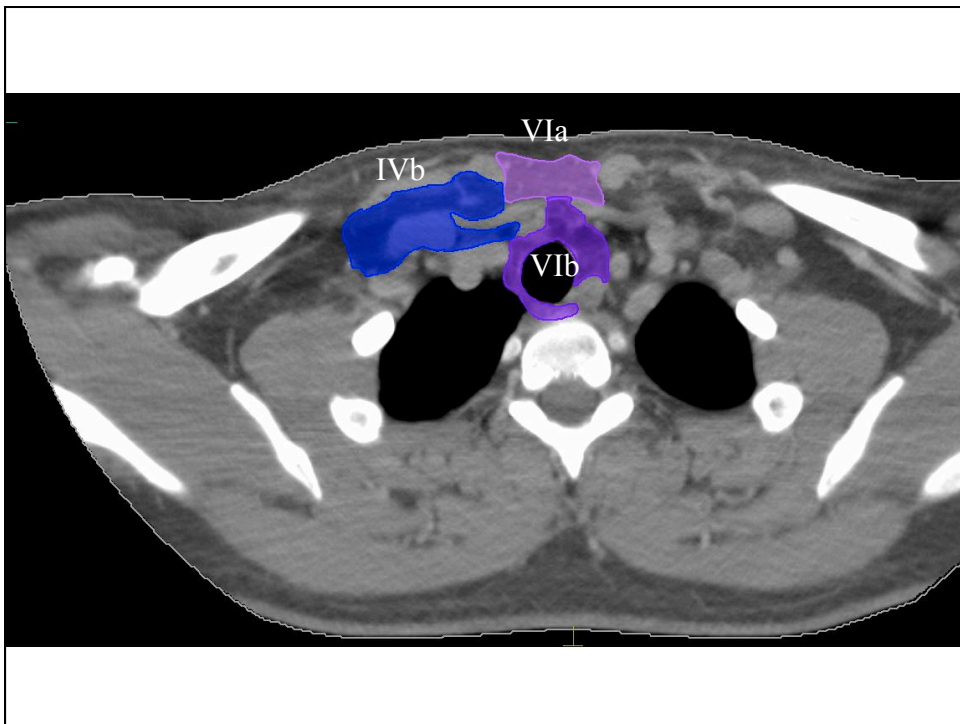
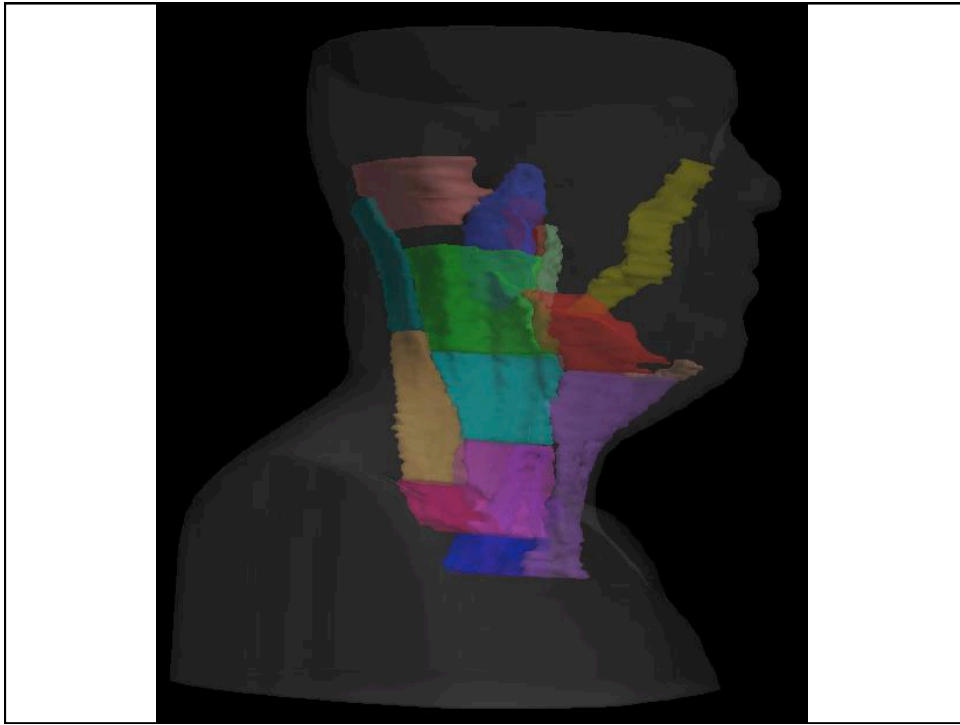


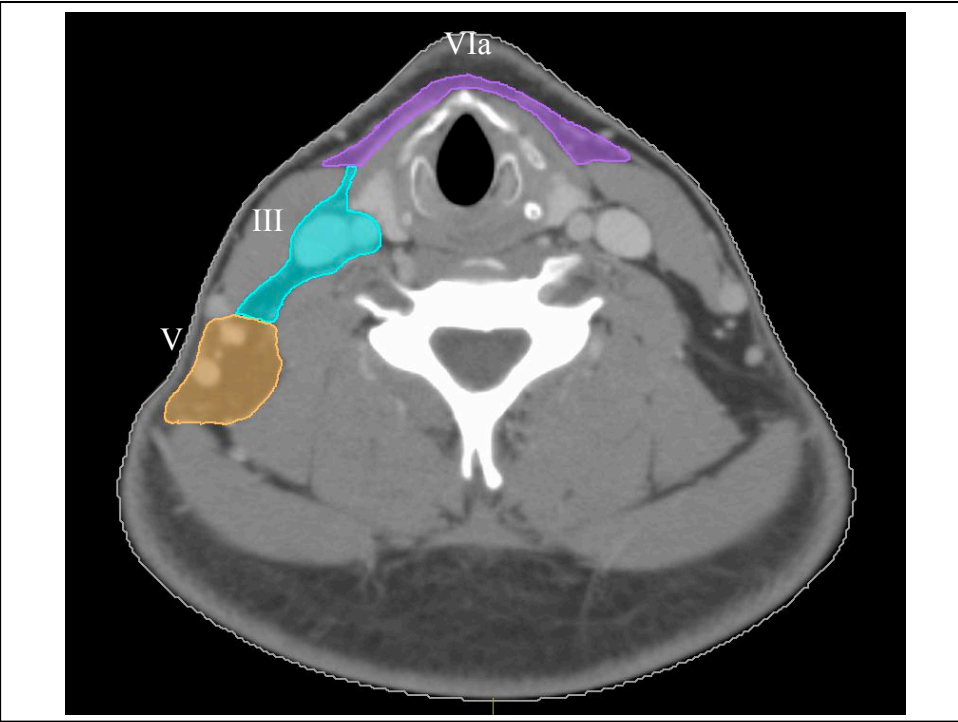
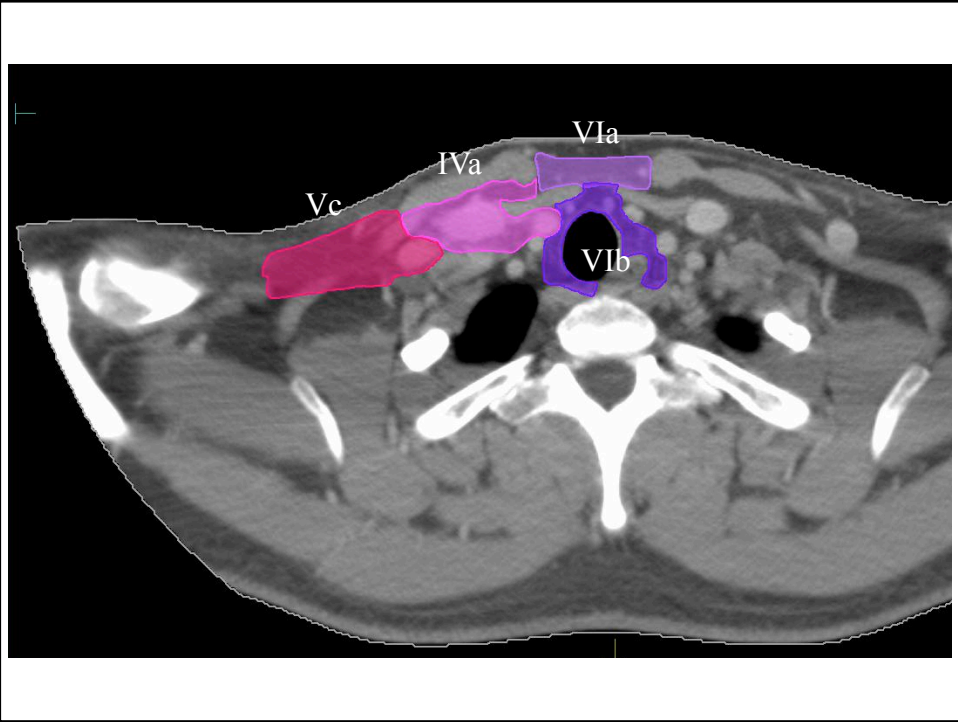
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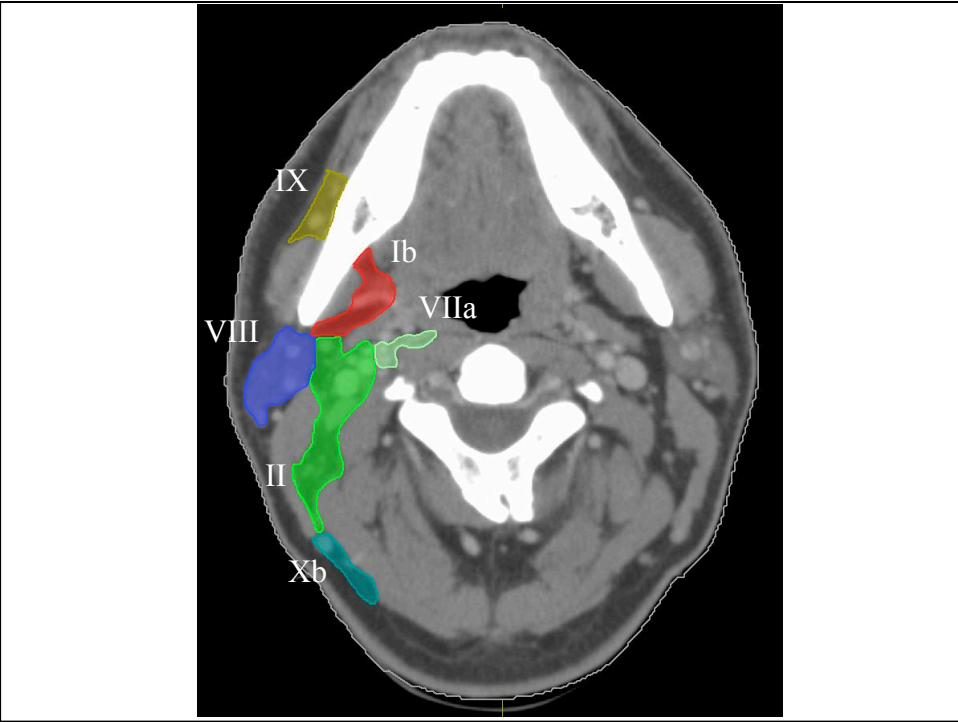
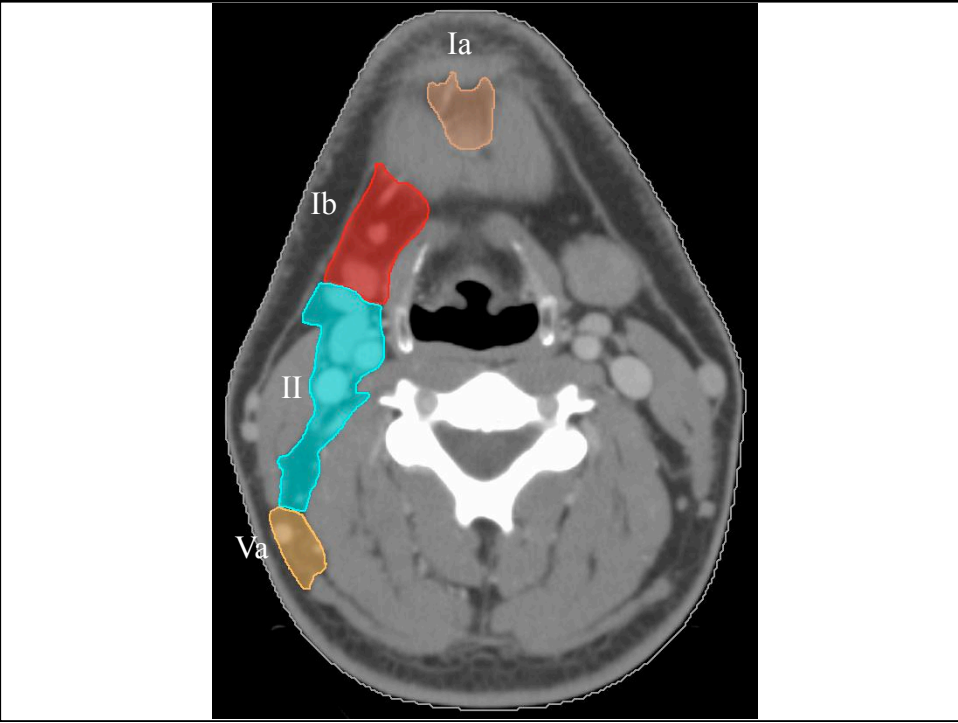
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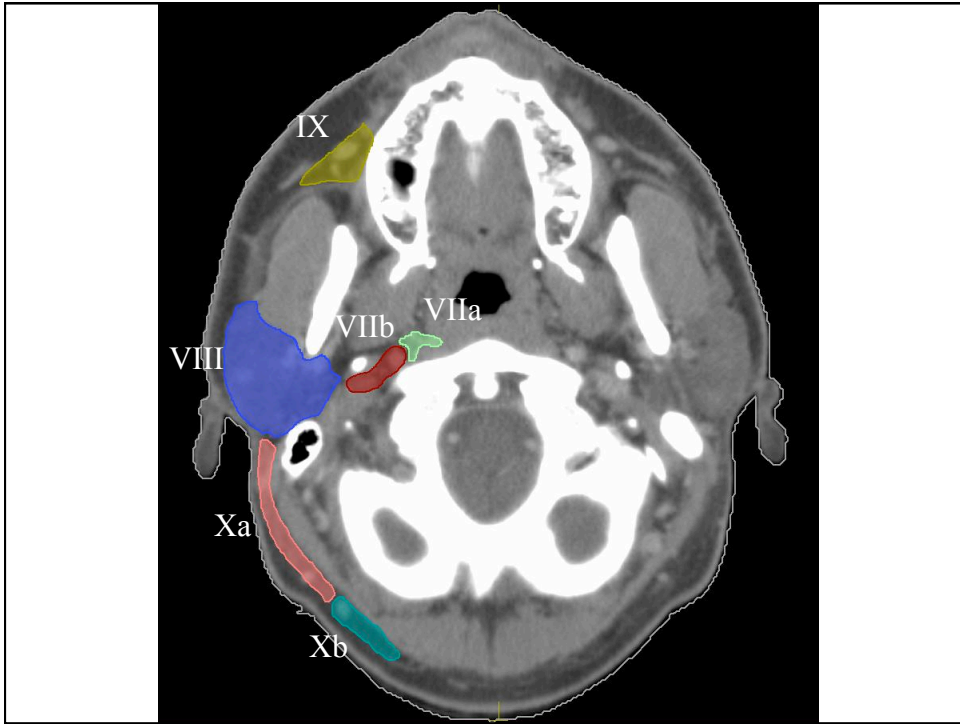
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Abstract

In 2003, a panel of experts published a set of consensus guidelines for the delineation of the neck node levels in node negative patients (Radiother Oncol, 69: 227–36, 2003). In 2006, these guidelines were extended to include the characteristics of the node positive and the post-operative neck (Radiother Oncol, 79: 15–20, 2006). These guidelines did not fully address all nodal regions and some of the anatomic descriptions were ambiguous, thereby limiting consistent use of the recommendations.

In this framework, a task force comprising opinion leaders in the field of head and neck radiation oncology from European, Asian, Australia/New Zealand and North American clinical research organizations was formed to review and update the previously published guidelines on nodal level delineation.

Based on the nomenclature proposed by the American Head and Neck Society and the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, and in alignment with the TNM atlas for lymph nodes in the neck, 10 node groups (some being divided into several levels) were defined with a concise description of their main anatomic boundaries, the normal structures juxtaposed to these nodes, and the main tumor sites at risk for

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From primary nodal GTV to "high dose" CTV

Table 4. Incidence of ECE in tumor-positive neck nodes by size

| Study or source | Distribution of LN size (mm) | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|-------|
| | % <10 | % 10-30 | % >30 |
| Johnson <i>et al.</i> , 1981 (8) | n.a. | 65 | 75 |
| Snow <i>et al.</i> , 1982 (9) | 22 | 52 | 74 |
| Snyderman <i>et al.</i> , 1985 (10) | n.a. | 38 | 67 |
| Carter <i>et al.</i> , 1987 (11) | 17 | 83 | 95 |
| Hirabayashi <i>et al.</i> , 1991 (12) | 43 | n.a. | 81 |
| Current study | 48 | 60 | n.a. |

From primary nodal GTV to "high dose" CTV

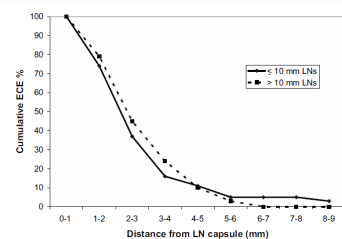
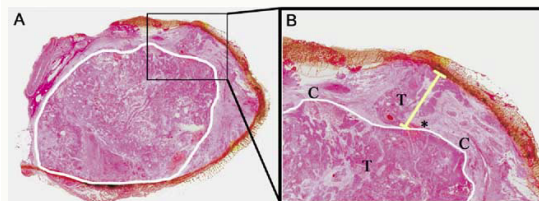
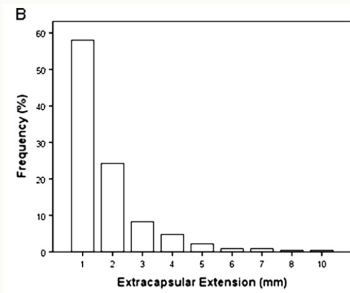


Fig. 4. Cumulative extracapsular extension percentage as a function of distance from the lymph node capsule according to lymph node size.

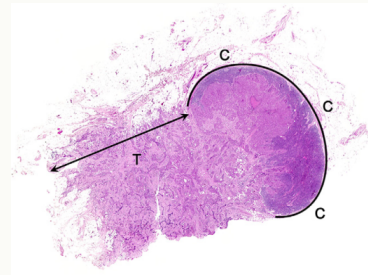


"For N1 nodes that are at high risk for ECE but not grossly infiltrating musculature, 1 cm clinical target volume margins around the nodal gross tumor volume are recommended to cover microscopic nodal extension in head-and-neck cancer."

From primary nodal GTV to "high dose" CTV



- 231 lymph nodes in 98 patients
- 97% within 5 mm



Recommendations for volume selection and delineation in HNSCC

Limit of validity

- Post-operative irradiation ?
- N1-N3 neck ?

“ Similar principles adapted according to sound clinical, radiological and pathological information ”

Which CTV for the node positive and the post-operative neck?

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Target volume delineation

Proposal for the delineation of the nodal CTV in the node-positive and the post-operative neck

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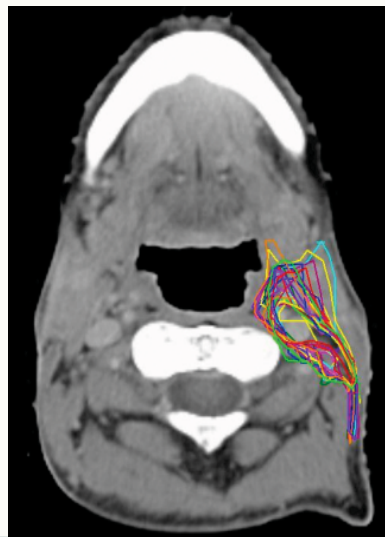
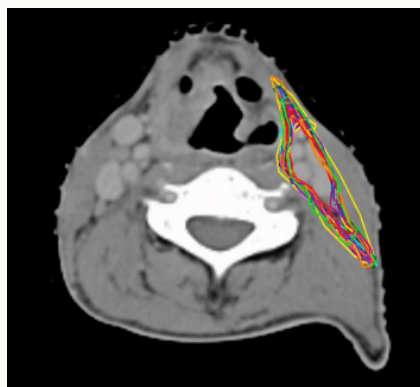
Recommendations for the node-positive neck

- In case of involvement of level II, delineation of the **retrostyloid space** (level VIIb)
- In case of involvement of level IV and/or Vb, delineation of the **subclavicular fossae** (level IVb and/or Vc)
- When a node is located at the boundary between two levels (e.g. level Ib and II), delineation of the two levels
- When node(s) abut a muscle (e.g. SCM or para-spinal), delineation of the muscle by 10-20 mm in all directions

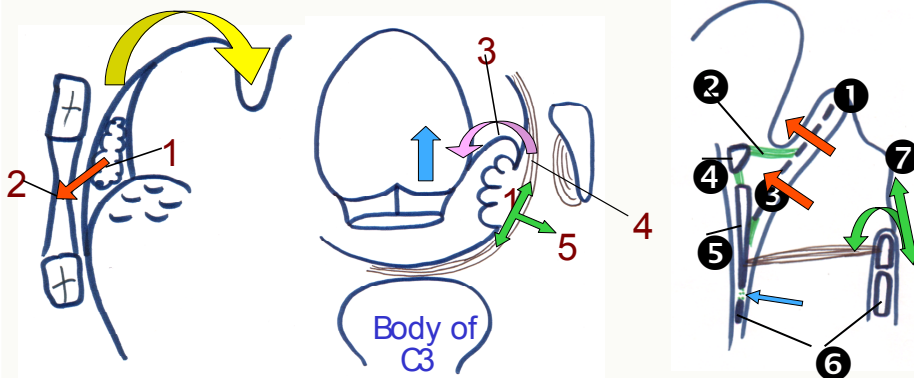
Recommendations for the post-operative neck

- The entire operative bed (identified by inflammation, edema, fibrosis, ...) should be included in the CTV
- In case of pathological involvement of level II, delineation of the **retrostyloid space** (level VIIb)
- In case of pathological involvement of level IV and/or Vb, delineation of the **subclavicular fossae** (level IVb and/or Vc)
- For pharyngeal primaries with node positive neck, inclusion of the retropharyngeal nodes (level VIIa)
- When a pathological node is located at the boundary between two levels (e.g. level Ib and II), delineation of the two levels
- When pathological node(s) abut a muscle (e.g. SCM or paraspinal), delineation of the muscle by 10-20 mm in all directions

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Clinical Target Volume (CTV) for pharyngo-laryngeal SCC



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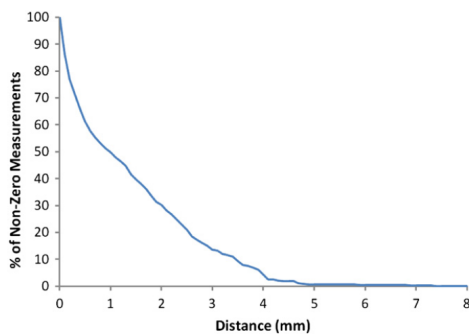


Fig. 8. Graph showing the percentage of nonzero measurements against distance from the gross tumor volume.

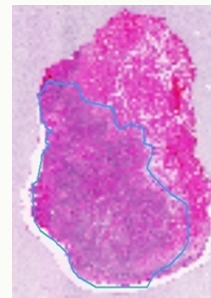


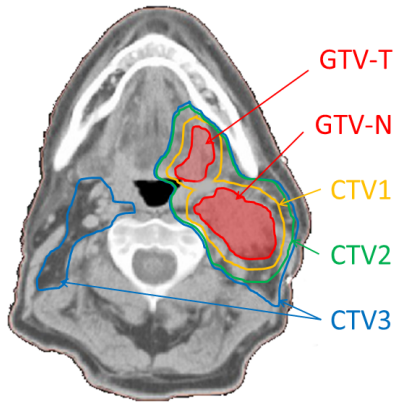
Fig. 4. Image at $\times 4$ magnification and naked eye resolution with gross tumor volume contoured in blue.

88 oral cancers, 44 (50%) had signs of microscopic extension. The maximum distance from the border was 7.8 mm. Ninety-nine percent of all MD was within 4.75 mm and 95% was within 3.95 mm of the GTV.

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Campbell et al. IJROBP, 2012

DAHANCA 2013 CTV selection



GTV: Macroscopic tumor in T and N position, based on all available information.

CTV1: Includes GTV-T and GTV-N with a concentric margin of **5 mm in all directions**, modified for air and bone. Larger margin if ill-defined tumor.

CTV2: Includes CTV1 and the volume surrounding CTV1 with the highest risk of subclinical spread; CTV1 with a **concentric margin of 5 mm** in all directions, modified for air and bone.

CTV3: CTV2 and the elective nodal regions. In N+ also include nodal areas at least **2 cm cranial and caudal to GTV-N**, and if invading muscle, include muscle at least **2 cm cranial and caudal to GTV-N**.

Morbidity after Surgery

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General

- Anesthetic
- Metabolic
- DVT

Surgical

- Acute
- Late



Morbidity after Surgery

Related to Surgery

- Bleeding
 - Intra-operative
 - Post-operative
- Chyle leakage
- Infection
- Wound healing
- Flap failure



Related to Surgery

- Nerve injury
 - Cranial N. XI
 - Cranial N. V, VII, IX, X and XII
 - Brachial plexus
 - Phrenic
 - RLN
 - Sympathatic chain



Most Frequent Side-effect after Neck Dissection

- **Pain**
- **Impaired range of motion**
 - Abduction**
 - Anteflexion**
- **Drooping of scapula**
- **Important in health-related quality of life**



Shoulder Syndrome depends on:

- Preservation of spinal accessory nerve
- Modified radical neck dissection
- Dissection level V
- Selective neck dissection



Shoulder Dysfunction after Different Types of Neck Dissection

| Type of neck dissection | SDQ-score 0–100 mean (STD) | Abductie 0°–180° mean (STD) | Anteflexie 0°–180° mean (STD) |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Radical: 12 sides in 12 patients | 45 (±24) | 90 (±34) | 119 (±28) |
| Modified radical: ^a 26 sides in 22 patients | 32 (±29) | 134 (±31) | 152 (±16) |
| Selective: 13 sides in 9 patients | 20 (±31) | 143 (±26) | 159 (±14) |
| <i>p</i> | 0.1 ^b | 0.001 ^b | 0.0002 ^b |



Chylous Leak

- Lymphatic leak through wound drain
- Injury to ductus thoracicus
- Several cc to a liter or more per 24 hrs
- Loss of fluids
- Loss of electrolytes
- Loss of WBC

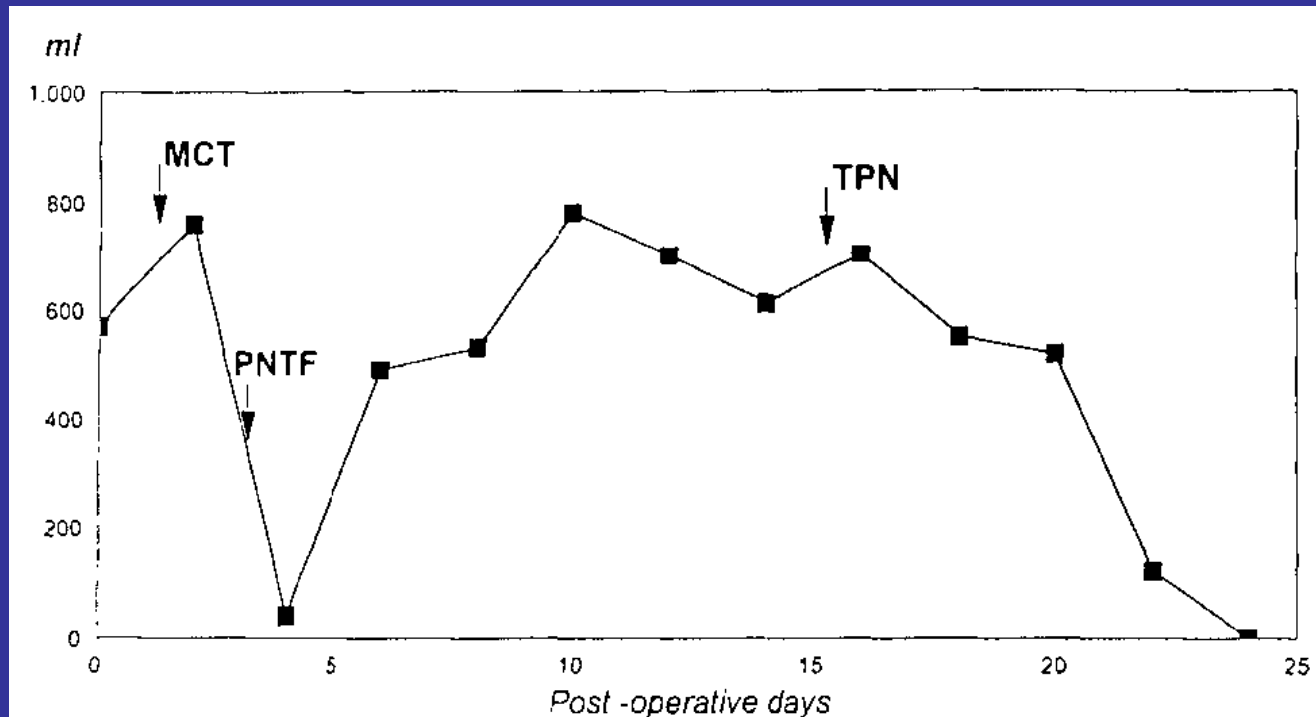


Morbidity after Surgery

Clinical Picture



Morbidity after Surgery



Management

- **MCT diet**
- **Parenteral nutrition**
- **Re-operation**
- **Thoracoscopic ligation**
- **Interventional radiology**



Reconstructive Objectives

- Adequate wound healing
- Maximize residual function
- Restoration of sensation
- Bulk replacement



Current Reconstructive Philosophy

- Replacement of resected tissue with tissue that mimics its complex movements and changes in shape is currently not feasible



Current Reconstructive Philosophy

- **Attempts that maximize the patient's possibility for compensatory mechanisms**

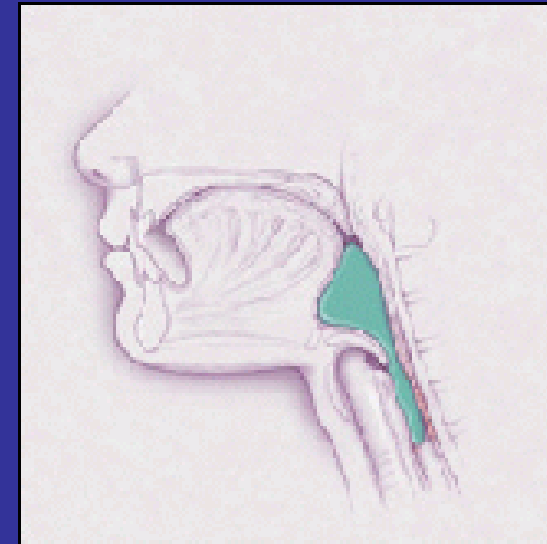
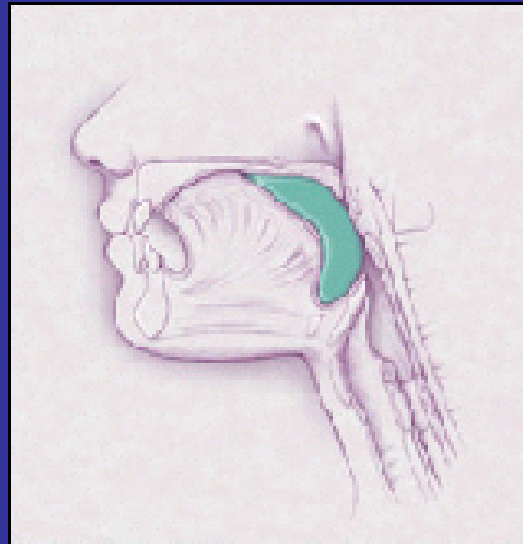
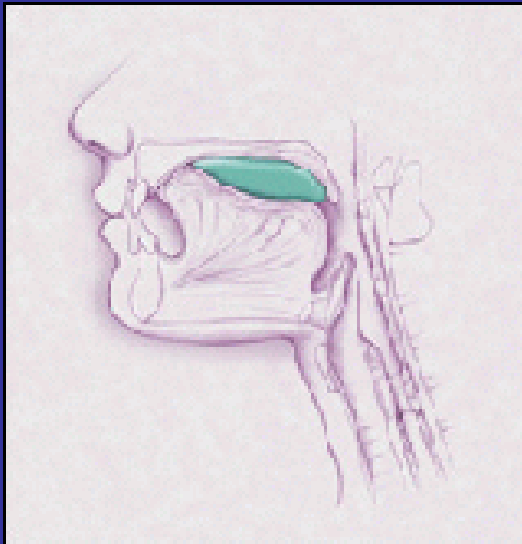


Normal Physiology of Swallowing

- **Oral phase (completely voluntary)**
- **Pharyngeal phase (reflective action)**
- **Esophageal phase (completely involuntary)**



Normal Physiology of Swallowing



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Oral Phase

- **Entry of food into the oral cavity and preparation for swallowing**
- **During this phase:**
 - mixing with saliva
 - mastication
 - formation of a cohesive bolus



Oral Phase

- **It requires coordination of:**
 - Lips
 - Tongue
 - Teeth
 - Mandible
 - Soft palate



Pharyngeal Phase

- **Initiated as tongue propels bolus posteriorly and the base of tongue contacts the posterior pharyngeal wall**
- **Eliciting a reflective action that begins a complex series of events**



Pharyngeal Phase

- **Soft palate elevates to prevent nasal reflux**
- **Constrictor pharyngeal muscle contracts**
- **Epiglottis inverts**
- **Vocal cords adduct**
- **Hyolaryngeal complex moves antero-superiorly**
- **Cricopharyngeus muscle relaxes**



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Esophageal Phase

- peristaltic waves

**Total swallow time from lips to stomach
is less than 20 seconds**



Normal Physiology of Swallowing

Lingual Driving
Force

Pharyngeal Clearing
Force



Oropharyngeal Propulsion Pump



Effective Pharyngeal Swallowing



Hypopharyngeal Suction Pump



Oral Cavity

- Predictable but complex swallowing problems
 - Location
 - Size
 - Tumor extent
 - Reconstruction procedure



Oral Cavity

- Chewing
- Controlling food in the mouth
- Initiating the swallow



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Oral Cavity

- Resections of up to one third of tongue result in only transient swallowing problems
- Maximal function after composite resections with neural control and some tongue movement
- These patients can regain oral nutrition 1 month postoperatively (if no other structures are involved)



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Oral Cavity

- More severe problems when tongue tethering to floor-of-mouth or hypoglossal nerve sacrifice
- Resections of hard palate or tongue result in loss of pressure needed to propel the bolus into pharynx



Oropharynx

- Excision usually causes more severe dysphagia since tongue base plays a critical role in
 - initiating swallow
 - propelling bolus through pharynx
 - efficient pharyngeal peristalsis



Oropharynx

- Any procedure that minimizes the tongue base to posterior pharyngeal wall contact can result in:
 - Delayed initiation of the swallow resulting in aspiration before swallow
 - Reduced pressure generation causing pharyngeal stasis post-swallow
 - Reduced hyolaryngeal elevation causing pharyngeal stasis and post-swallow aspiration



Oropharynx

- Combined resections of soft palate and tonsillar pillars may impact bolus transport causing nasopharyngeal reflux and pharyngeal stasis



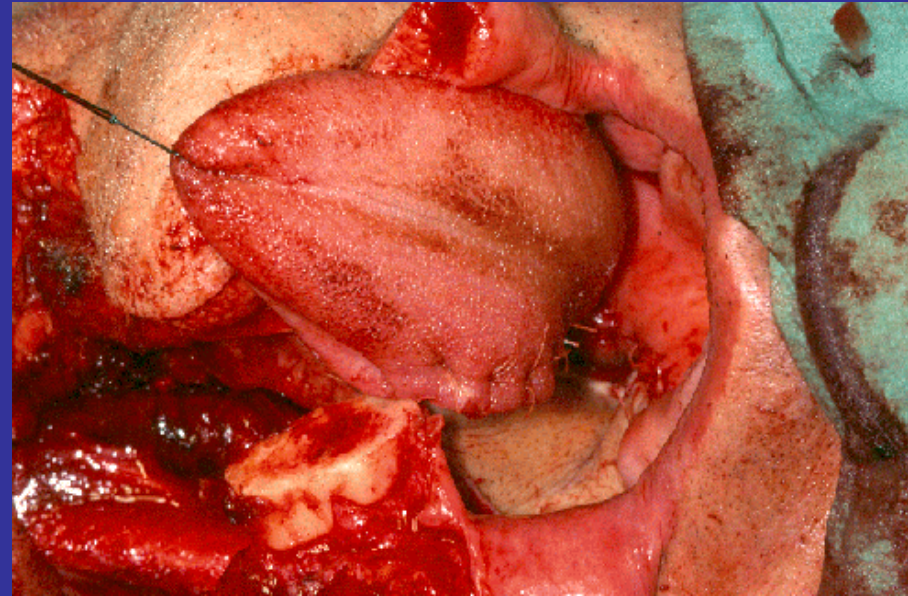
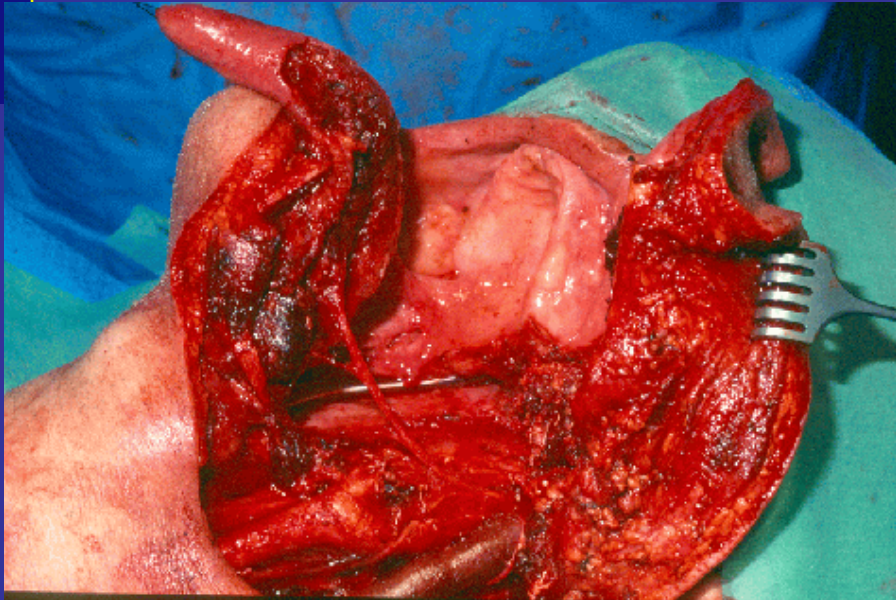
Morbidity after Surgery

Videofluoroscopy



Morbidity after Surgery

Excision and Reconstruction Tonsillar Carcinoma



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Quality-of-life

| | Pretreatment | 6 months | 12 months | Significance | |
|---|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Mean | Mean | Mean | <i>P</i> _{P-6} | <i>P</i> ₆₋₁₂ |
| <i>EORTC QLQ-C30</i> | | | | | |
| Functioning scales ^a | | | | | |
| Physical functioning | 87.7 | 80.5 | 85.9 | 0.005 | 0.044 |
| Role functioning | 79.5 | 75.4 | 84.8 | .237 | 0.005 |
| Cognitive functioning | 85.6 | 84.1 | 87.9 | .685 | 0.262 |
| Emotional functioning | 70.3 | 86.0 | 84.7 | 0.000 | 0.602 |
| Social functioning | 89.0 | 86.7 | 90.2 | 0.486 | 0.297 |
| Global quality of life | 75.9 | 76.3 | 80.7 | 0.903 | 0.064 |
| <i>Symptom scales or single items^b</i> | | | | | |
| Fatigue | 24.7 | 23.0 | 18.9 | 0.616 | 0.136 |
| Emesis | 1.9 | 5.3 | 2.7 | 0.071 | 0.197 |
| Pain | 29.2 | 10.6 | 12.1 | 0.000 | 0.652 |
| Dyspnea | 10.6 | 12.1 | 7.6 | 0.710 | 0.160 |
| Insomnia | 36.4 | 23.5 | 17.4 | 0.055 | 0.221 |
| Appetite loss | 12.1 | 13.6 | 10.6 | 0.772 | 0.210 |
| Constipation | 13.6 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 0.046 | 1.00 |
| Diarrhea | 6.8 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 0.599 | 1.00 |
| Financial impact | 7.6 | 17.8 | 15.2 | 0.036 | 0.583 |

Borggreven PA *et al.* Head Neck 2005;27:785-93,
Oral Oncol 2007;43:1034-42, Head Neck 2007;29:638-47



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| <i>EORTC QLQ-H&N35</i> | | | | | |
| Pain | 33.0 | 21.8 | 19.5 | 0.010 | 0.443 |
| Swallowing | 18.9 | 35.4 | 25.8 | 0.001 | 0.003 |
| Senses | 4.2 | 17.8 | 19.7 | 0.000 | 0.452 |
| Speech | 9.1 | 11.4 | 9.7 | 0.420 | 0.518 |
| Social eating | 20.3 | 30.8 | 23.6 | 0.050 | 0.023 |
| Social contact | 3.9 | 6.9 | 5.9 | 0.029 | 0.542 |
| Sexuality | 19.3 | 22.1 | 24.0 | 0.931 | 0.673 |
| Teeth | 18.2 | 27.8 | 22.5 | 0.020 | 0.413 |
| Opening mouth | 19.7 | 37.9 | 33.3 | 0.018 | 0.360 |
| Dry mouth | 22.0 | 68.9 | 56.1 | 0.000 | 0.005 |
| Sticky saliva | 17.4 | 47.6 | 47.6 | 0.000 | 0.781 |
| Coughing | 11.4 | 23.5 | 24.2 | 0.001 | 0.855 |
| Feeling ill | 4.5 | 3.8 | 6.8 | 0.660 | 0.290 |

Borggreven *et al.* Oral Oncol 2007;10:1034-1042



Morbidity after Surgery

Comparison Advanced Oropharyngeal Carcinomas

| | Surgery +/- RT | Chemoradiation* |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Number | 42 | 75 |
| Period | 1998-2000 | 2000- |
| Mean age (yrs) | 55 | 58 |
| HPV positive (%) | 27 | 26 |

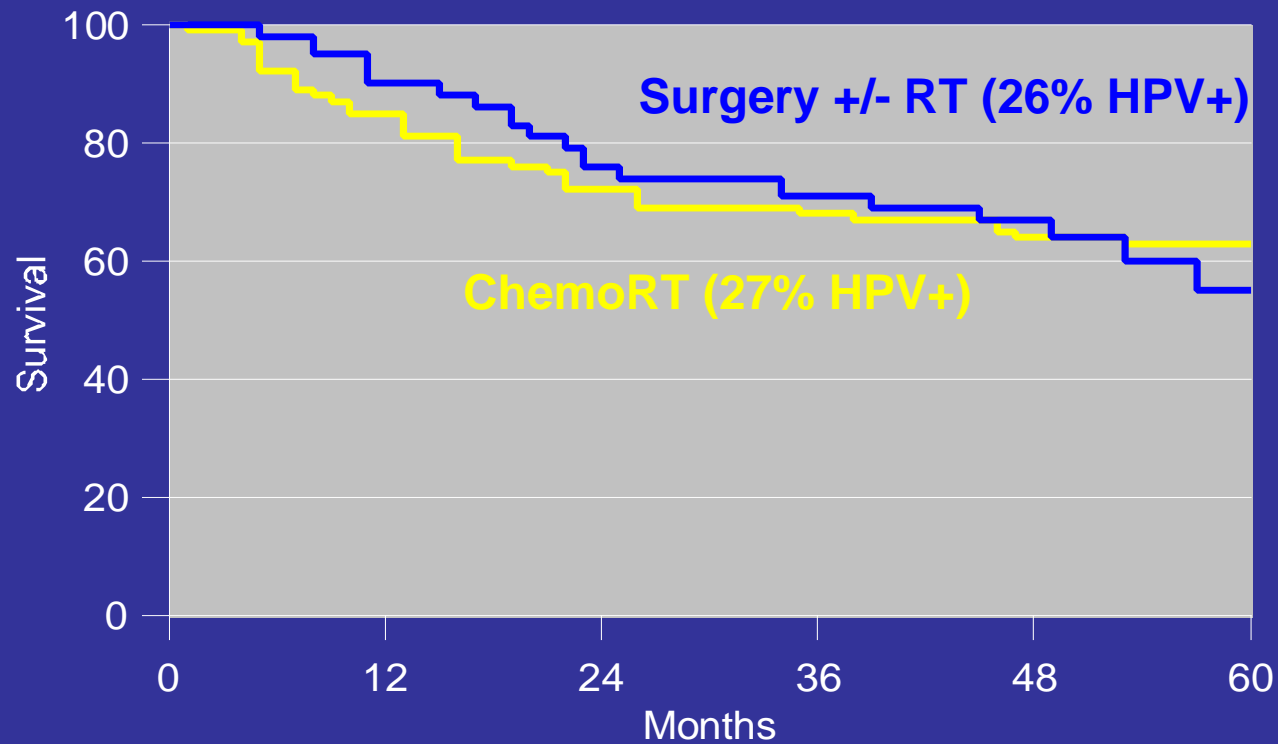
*With salvage surgery if needed

Non-significant difference in gender distribution and comorbidity



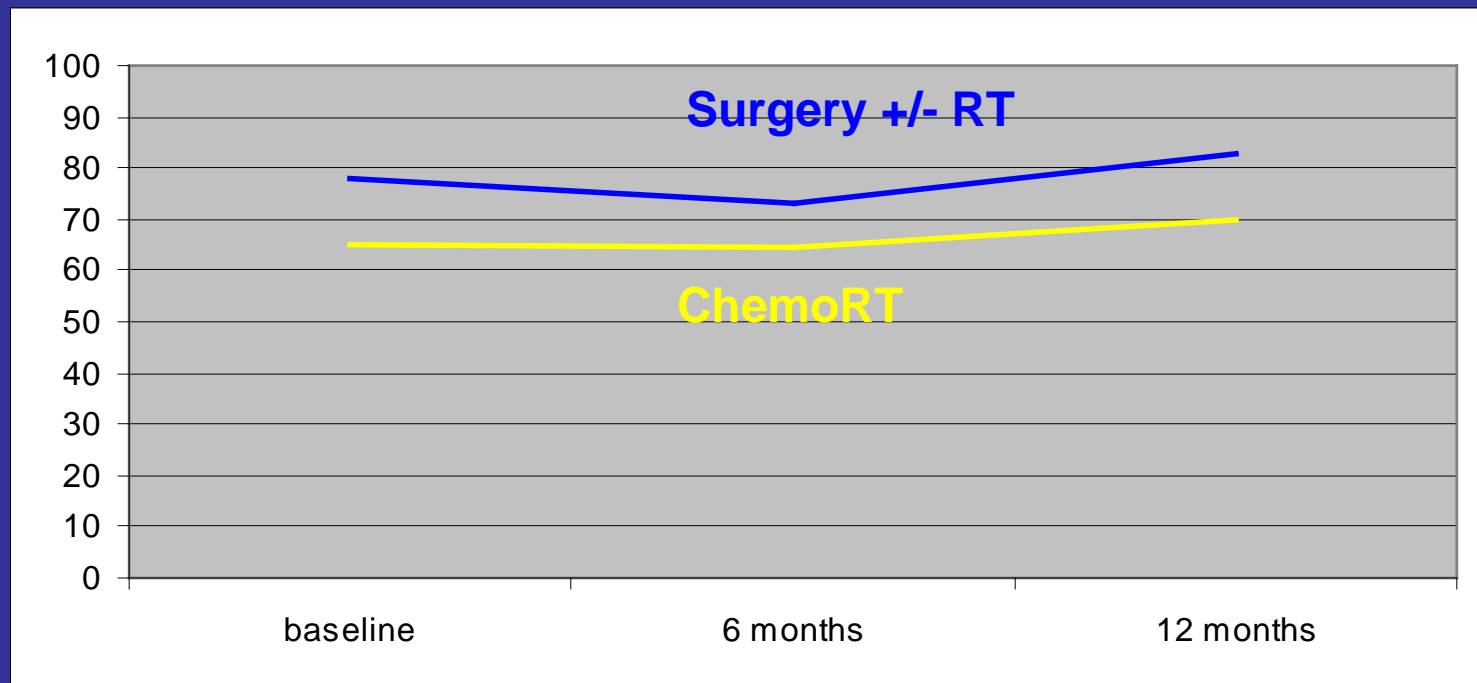
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Overall Survival (n=117)



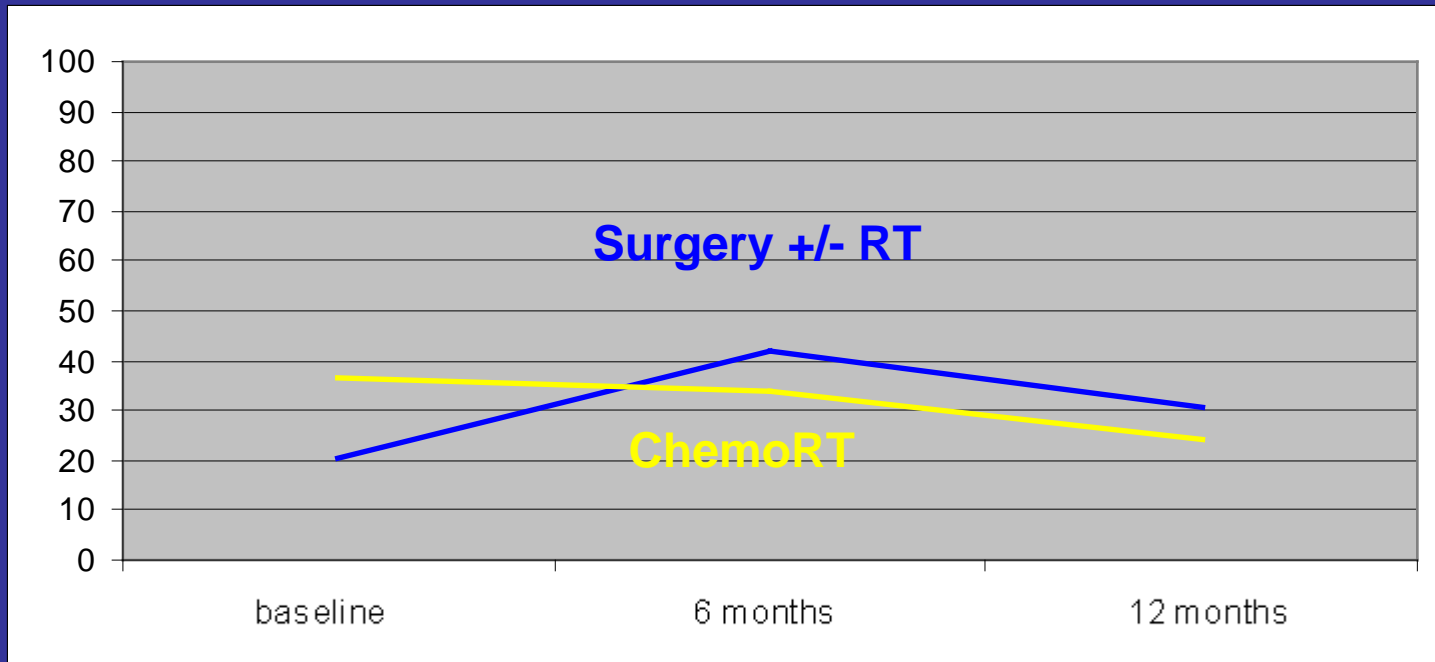
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Global Quality of Life (n=117)



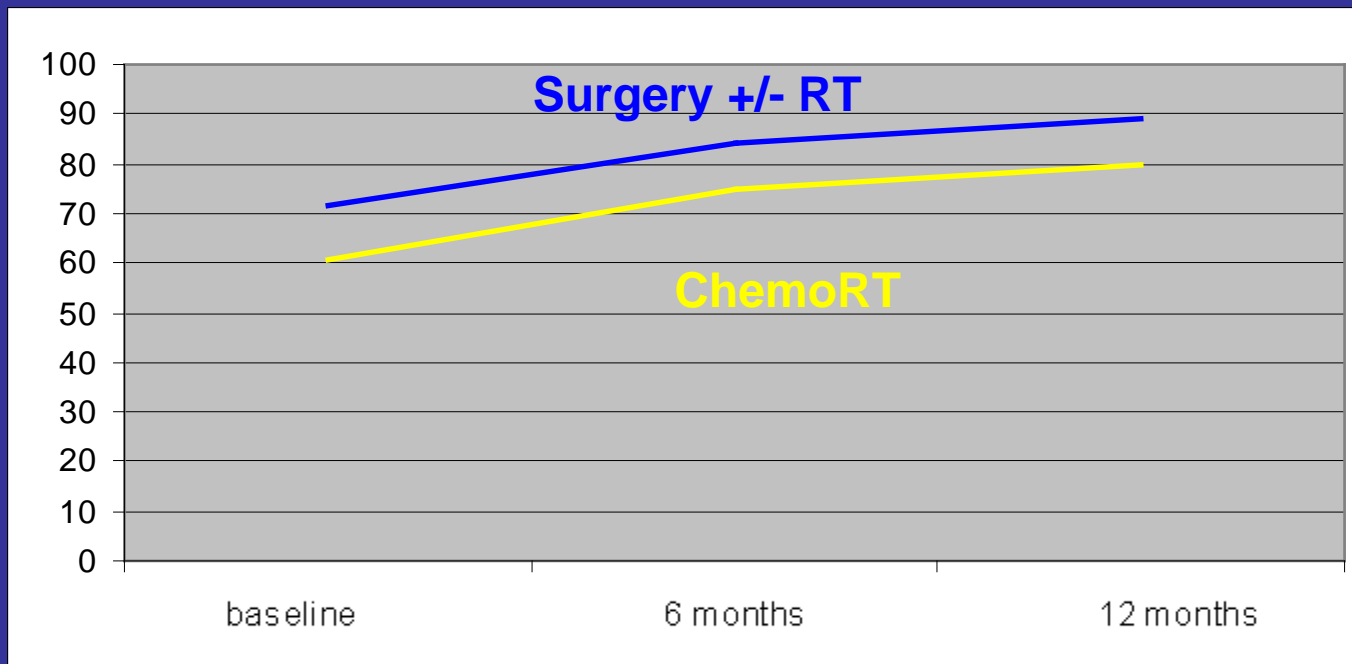
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Swallowing (n=117)



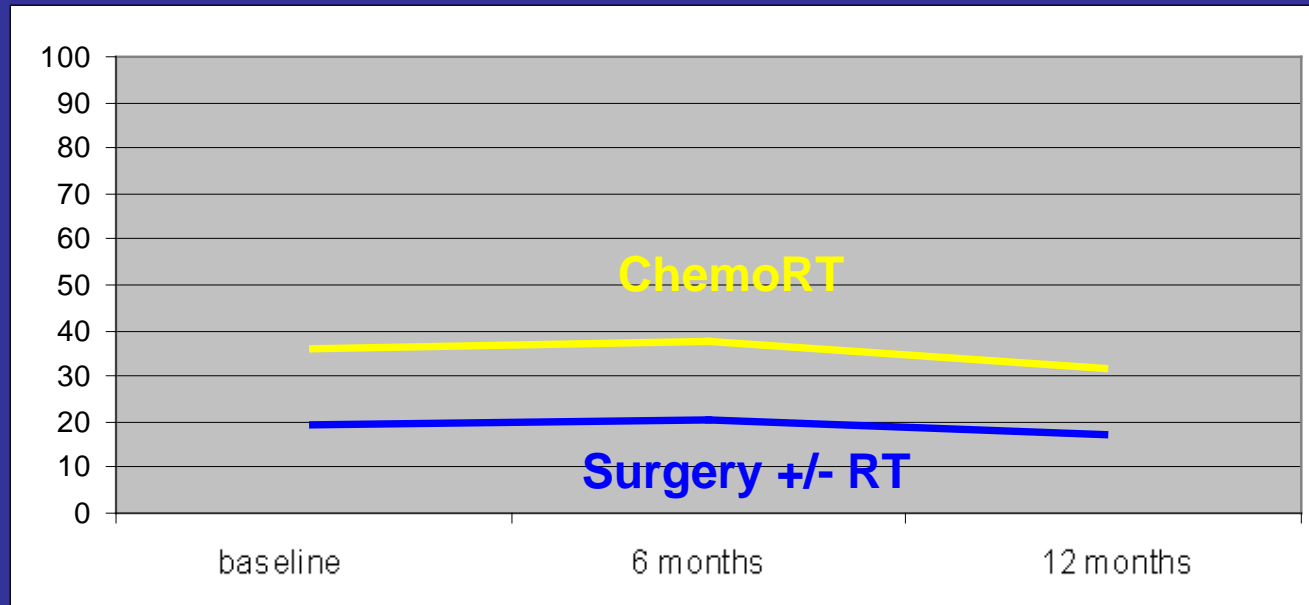
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Emotional Functioning (n=117)



Morbidity after Surgery

Fatigue (n=117)



Conclusions

- Adequate patient counselling
- Prevention starts during surgery
- Close monitoring as to complications
- Early intervention if indicated

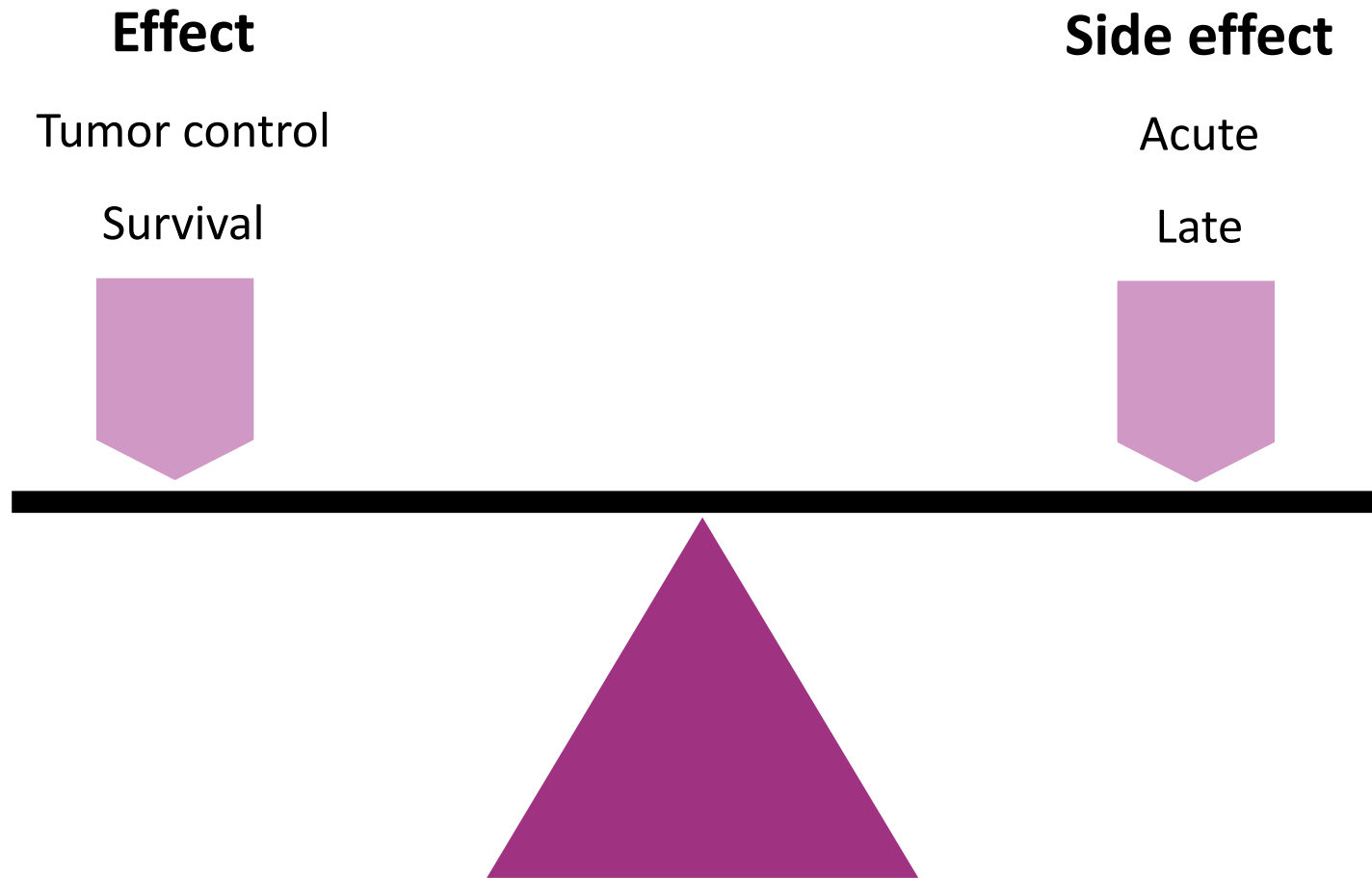


Florence, 26-29. June 2016

Morbidity (acute and late) after RT, RT-CH, RT-EGFR inhibitors

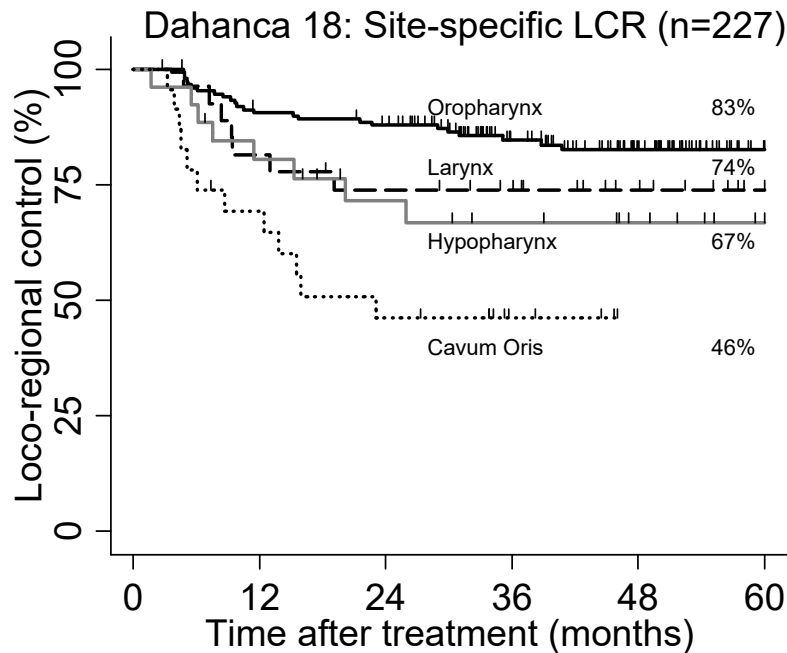
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Therapeutic ratio



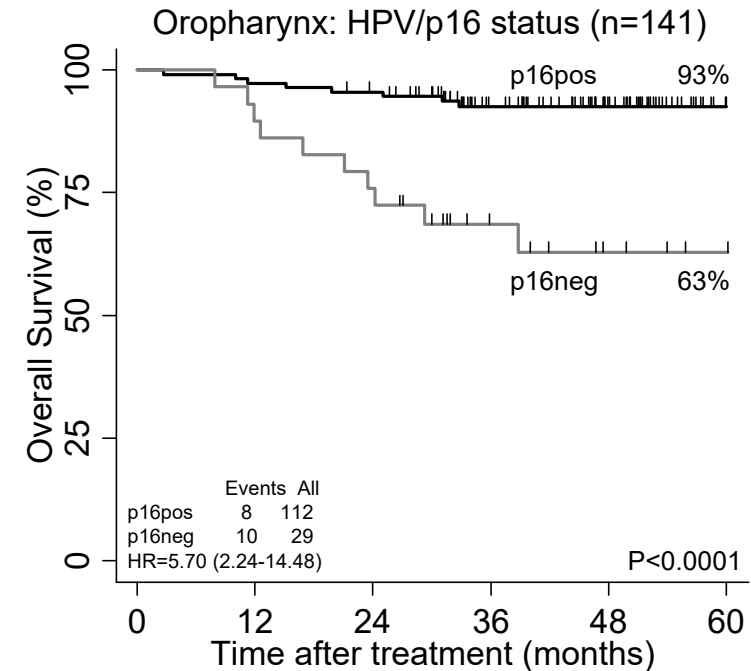
Why should we care?

DAHANCA 18: concomitant chemoradiotherapy



At risk

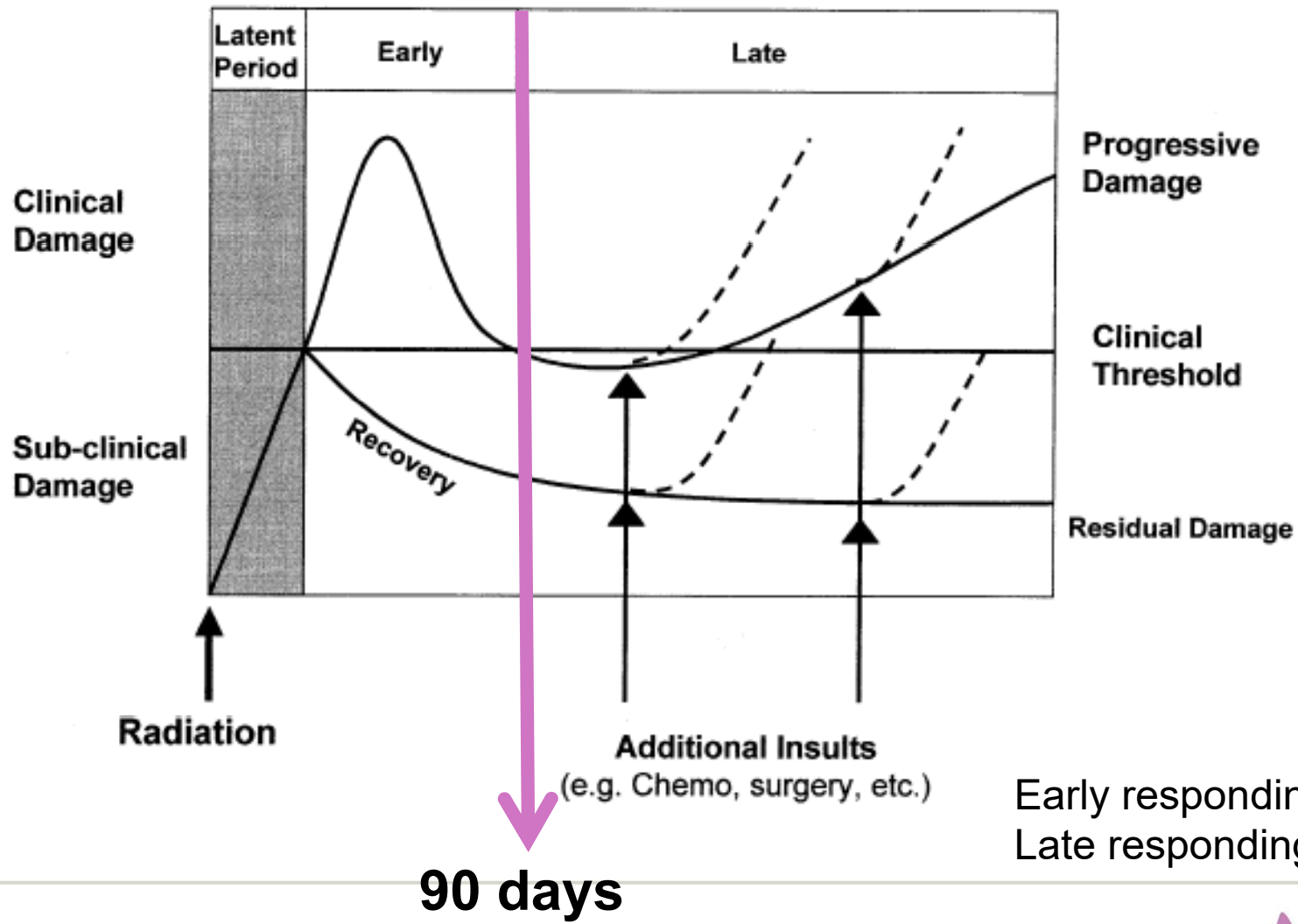
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| Larynx | 28 | 22 | 19 | 16 | 9 | 2 |
| Oropharynx | 150 | 134 | 128 | 86 | 53 | 17 |
| Hypopharynx | 26 | 20 | 15 | 12 | 8 | 3 |
| Cavum Oris | 23 | 15 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 0 |



At risk

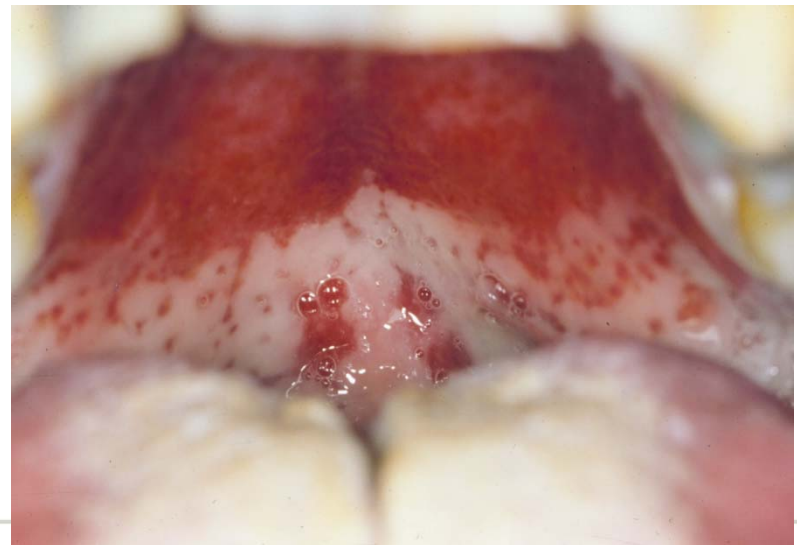
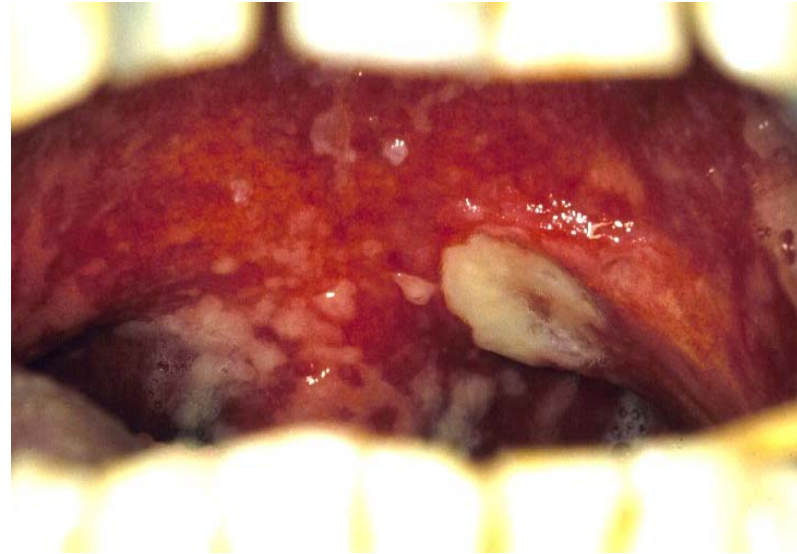
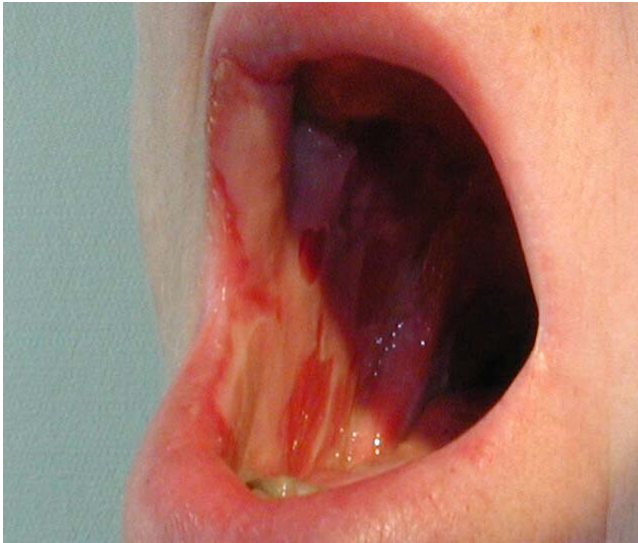
| | 0 | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 60 |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|
| p16pos | 112 | 109 | 105 | 75 | 46 | 14 |
| p16neg | 29 | 26 | 22 | 12 | 6 | 3 |

Definitions



Rubin IJROBP 1995

Mucositis



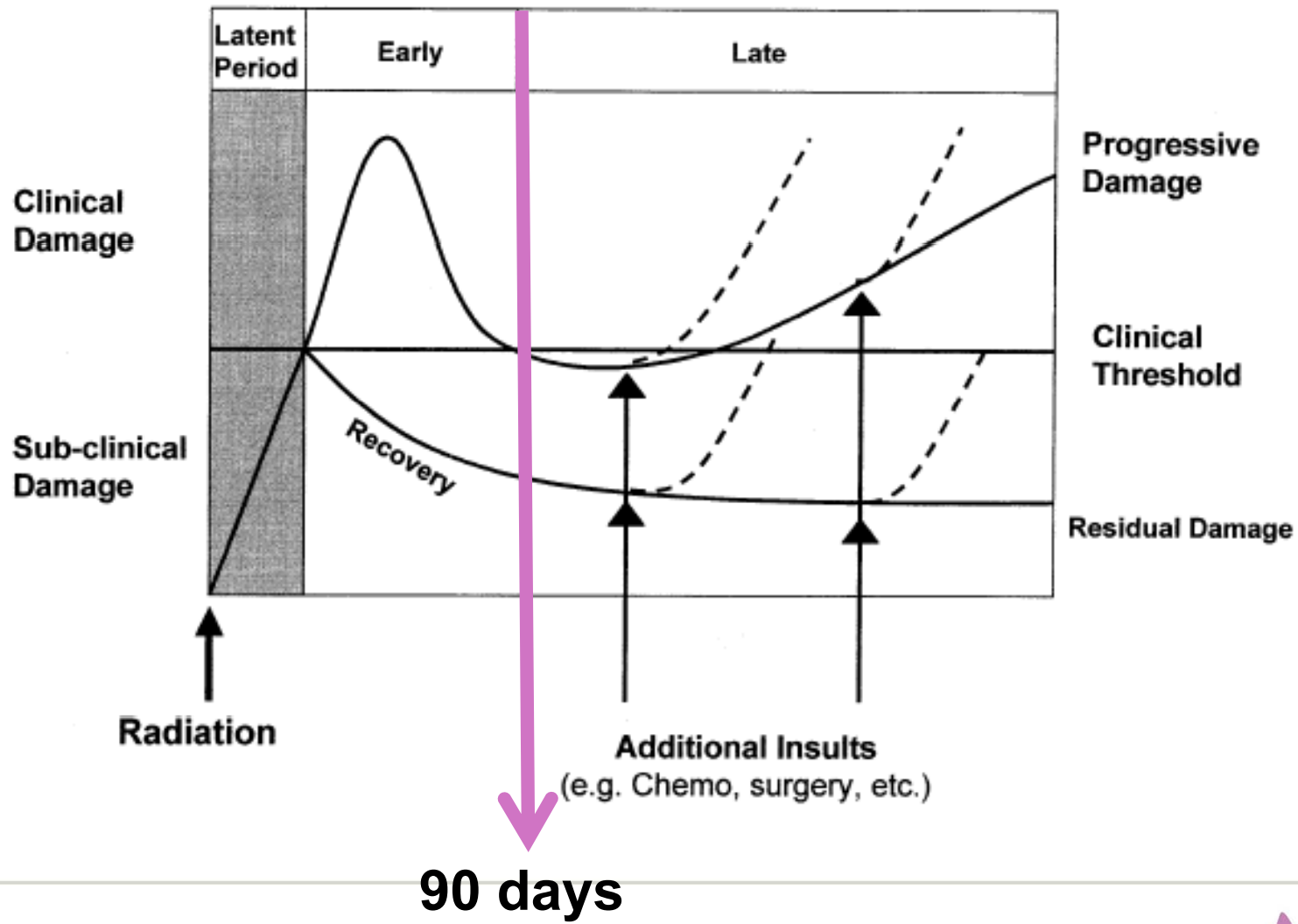
Oral candidiasis



Skin reactions



Definitions



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Late effects



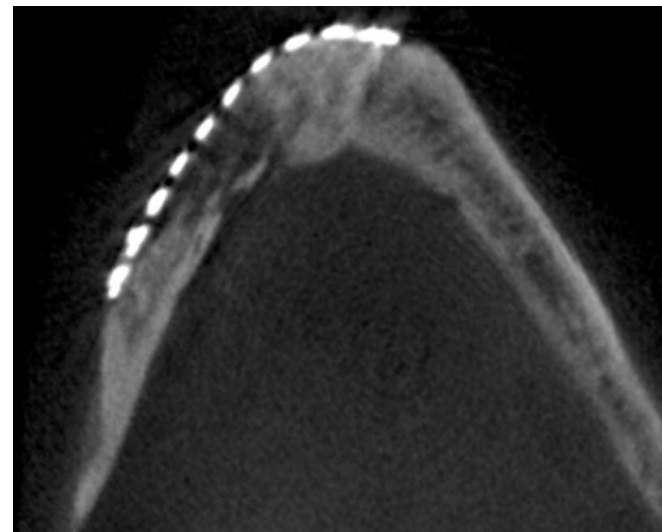
Trismus



Dysphagia



Osteoradionecrosis



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Late effects

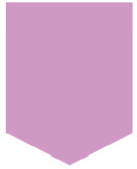




Effect

Tumor control

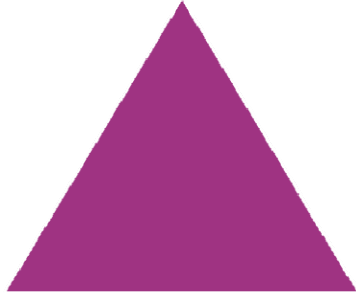
Survival



Side effect

Acute

Late

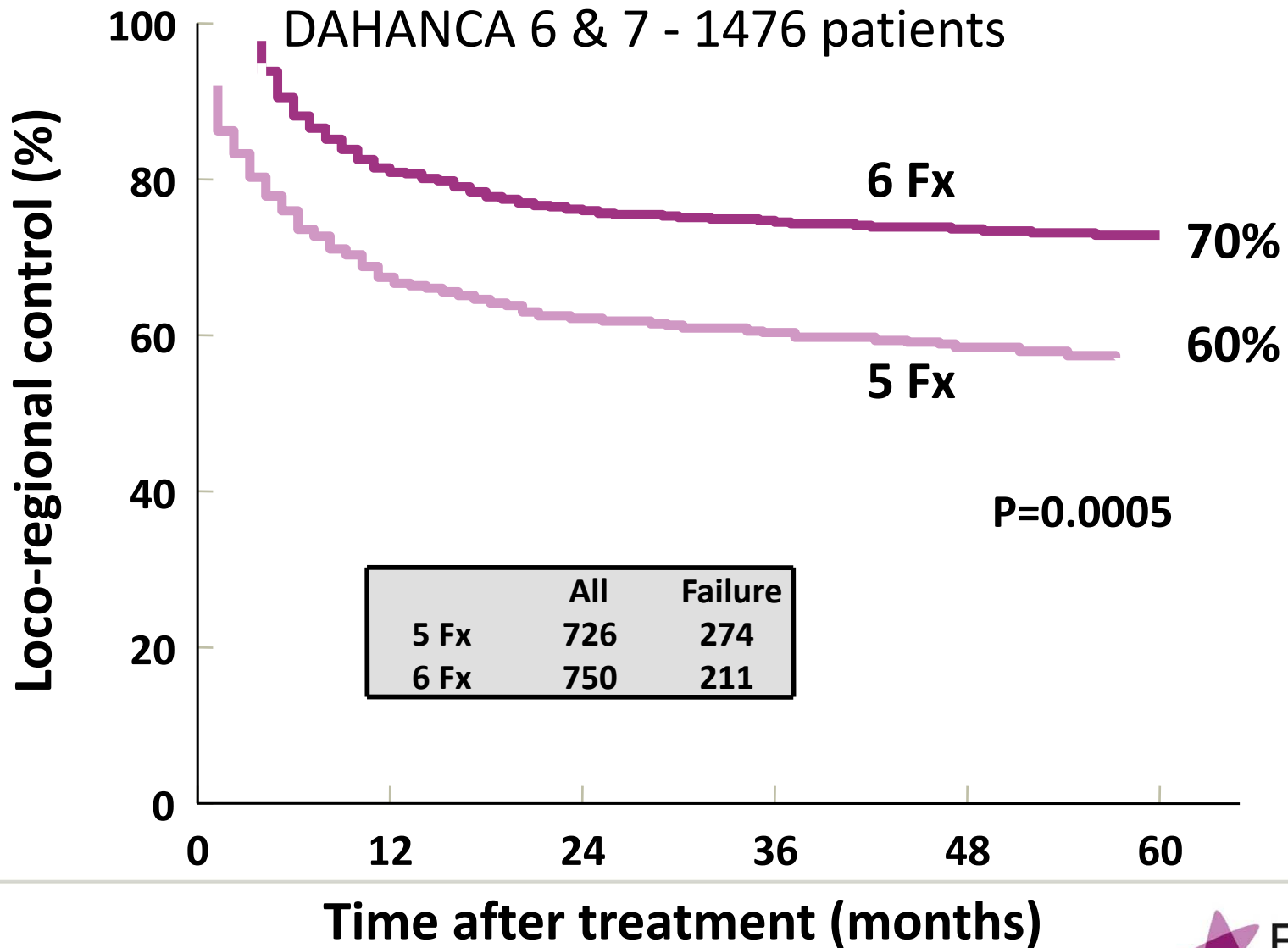


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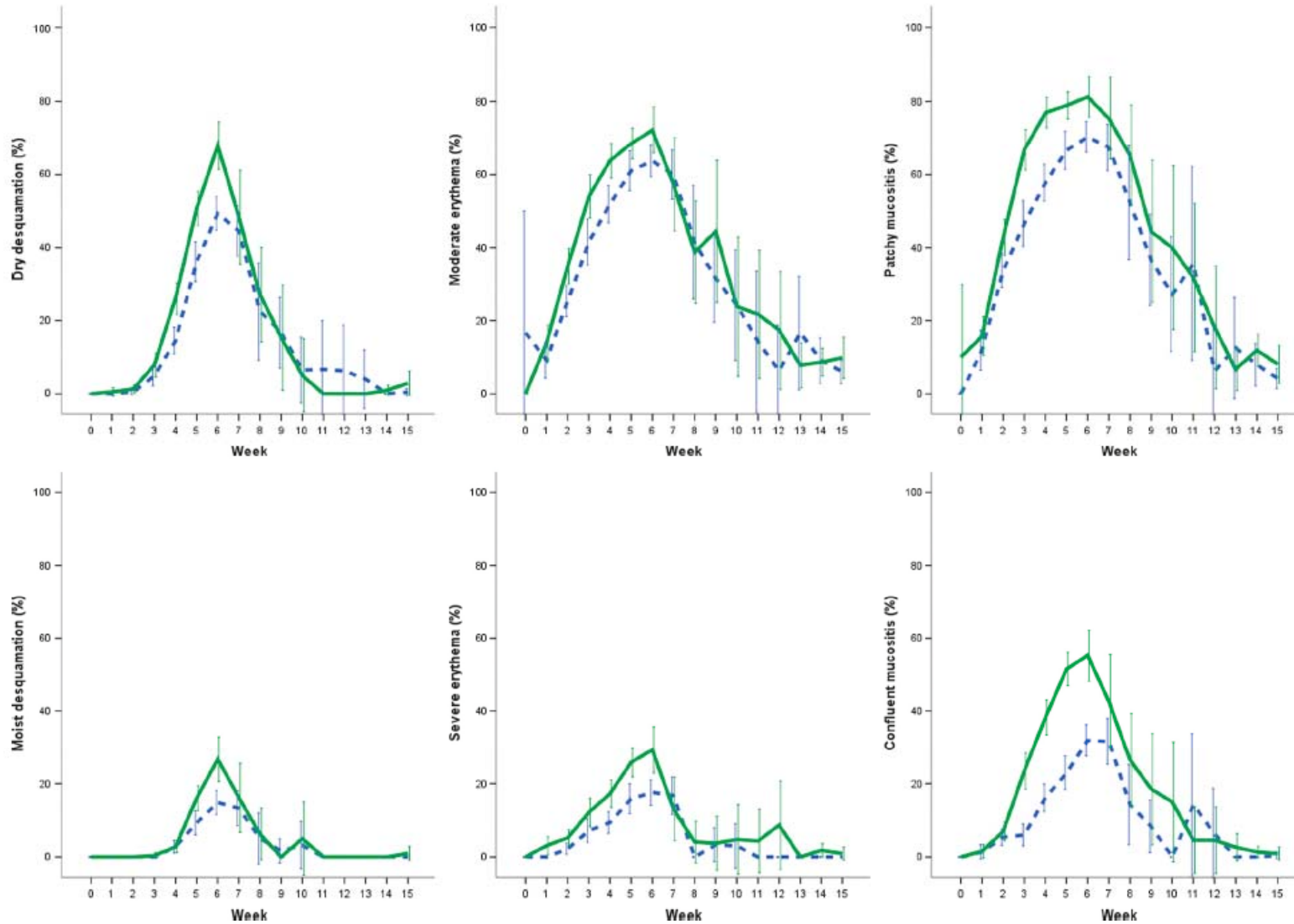
Dose per fraction

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Accelerated Radiotherapy

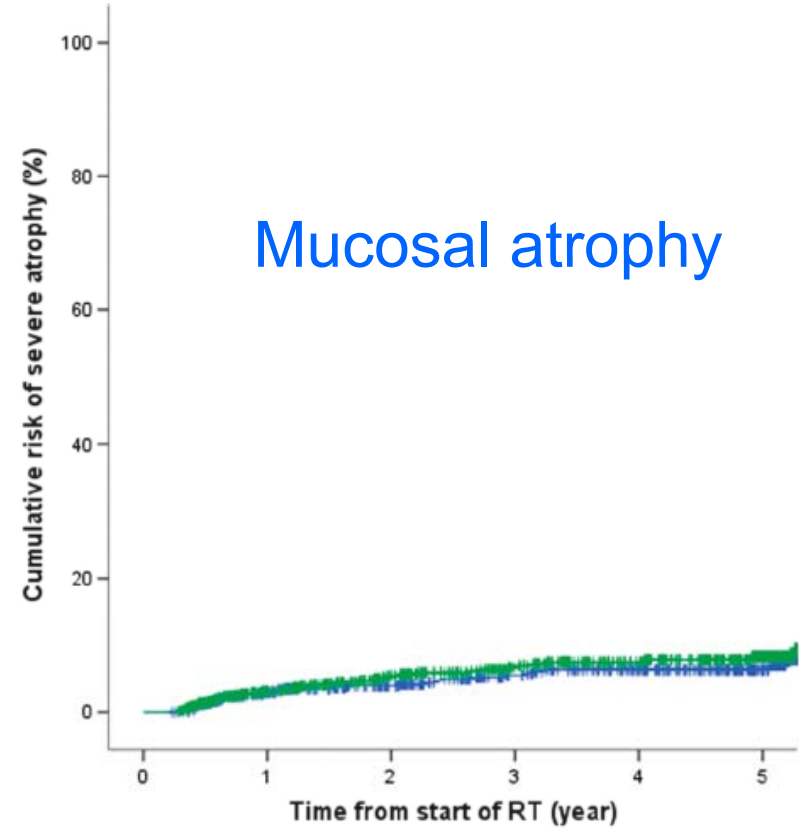
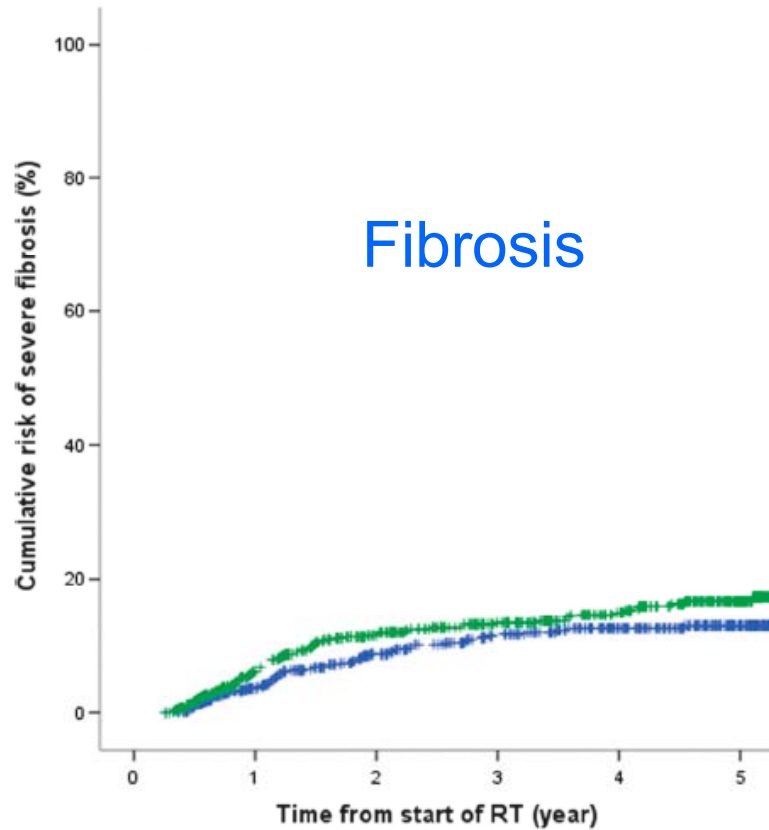


Acute morbidity - DAHANCA 6 & 7

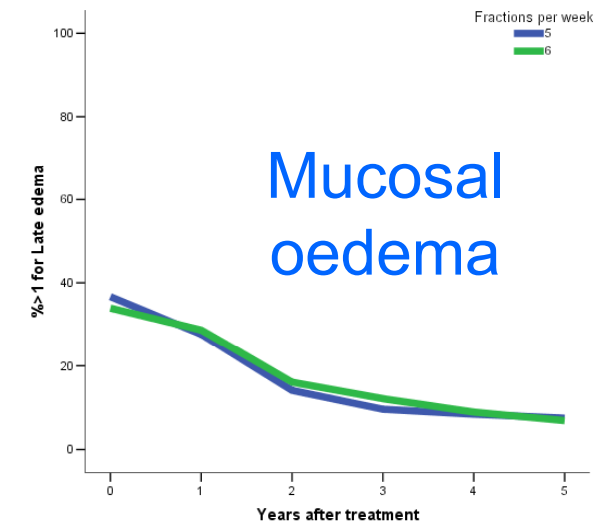
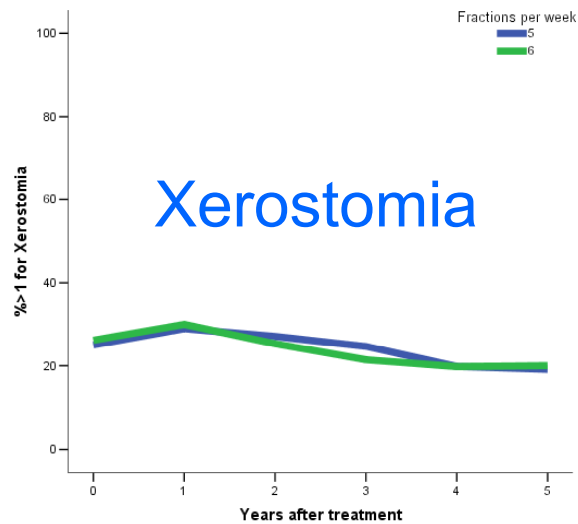
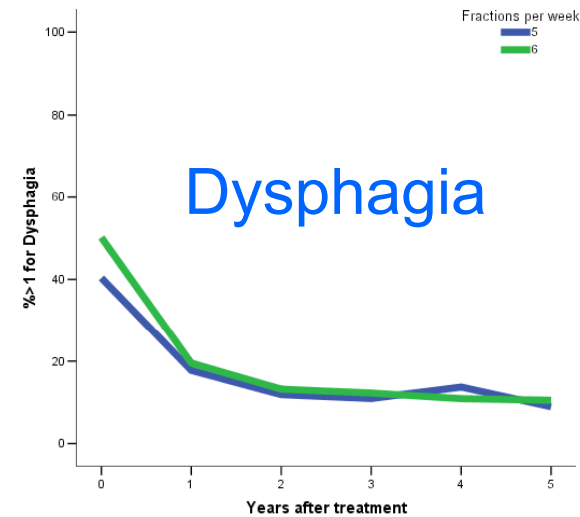
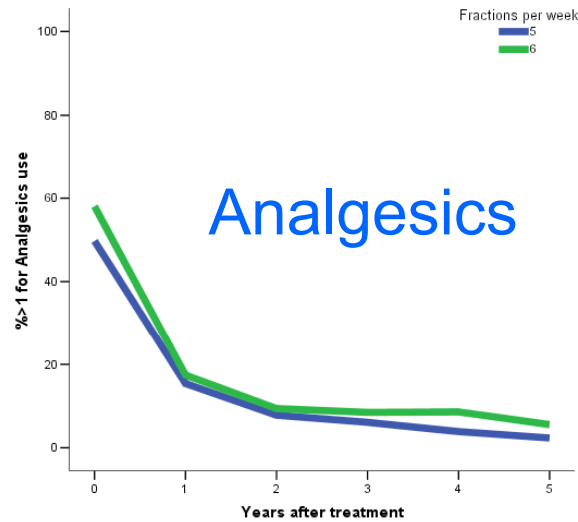


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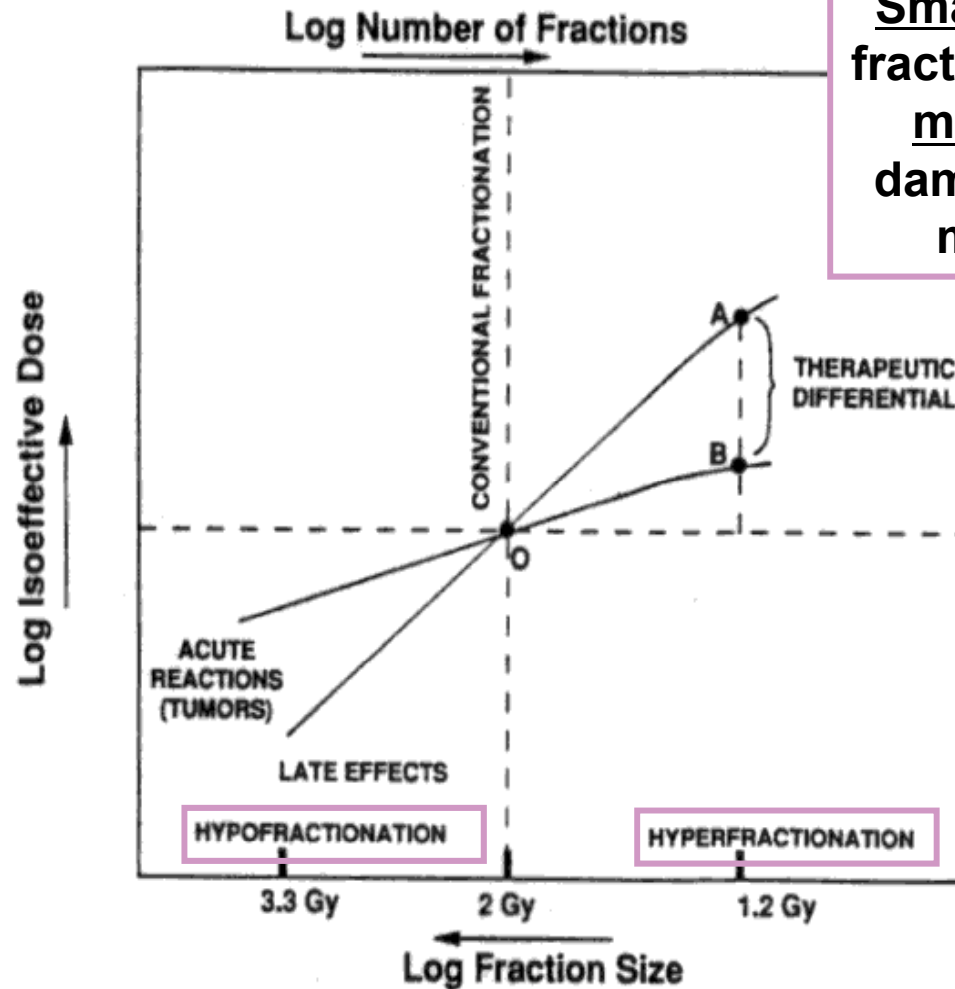


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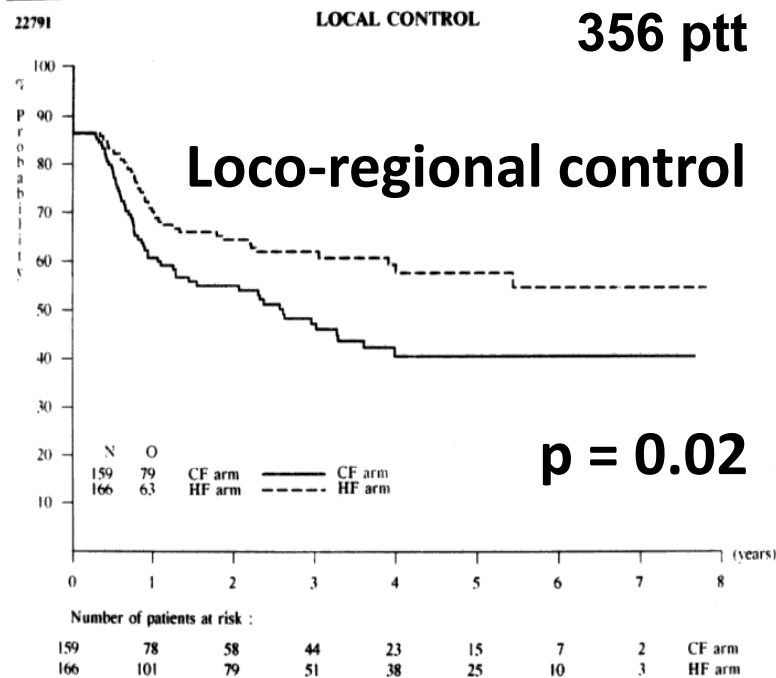
Rationale for hyperfractionation

Therapeutic ratio
vs
dose per fraction



Small dose per fraction: Relative more tumor damage vs late morbidity

Hyperfractionation: EORTC 22791



Scheme of trial EORTC 22791: hyperfractionation versus conventional fractionation in oropharyngeal carcinoma.

OROPHARYN-
GEAL
CARCINOMA

T₂T₃,

N₀, N₁ < 3 cm

M₀

RANDOMIZATION

Single daily fraction of 2 Gy
70 Gy/35 fractions/7 weeks

Twice daily fractions of 1.15 Gy each
80.50 Gy/70 fractions/7 weeks

Improved Therapeutic Ratio:

Increase in tumour control

Increased acute toxicity (Confl. mucositis - conv: 49%; HFX: 67%)

But same late morbidity

Accelerated fractionation: EORTC 22791

Acute side effects

Acute toxicity

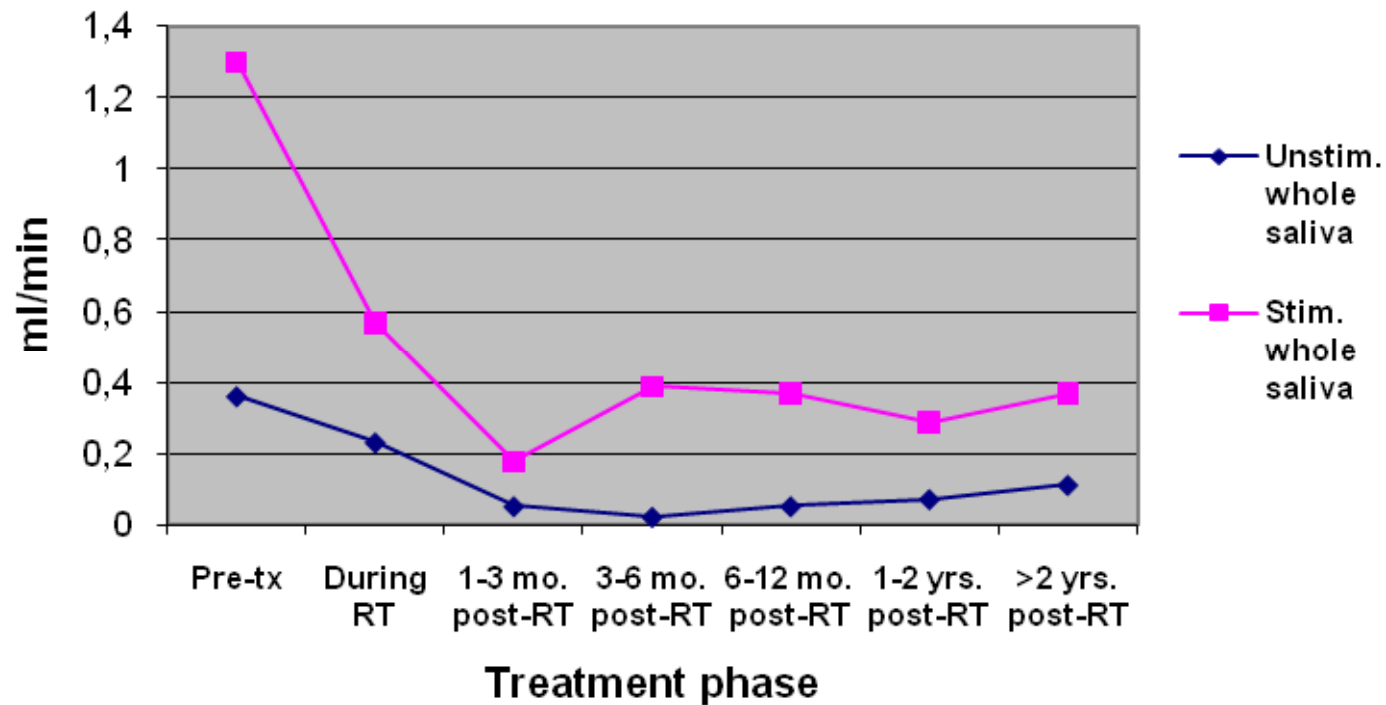
| Grades 3–4 | No. of patients (%) | |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | CF arm (<i>n</i> = 245) | AF arm (<i>n</i> = 240) |
| FMR during treatment | 111 (45) | 162 (68) |
| OMR during treatment | 123 (50) | 160 (67) |
| FMR 6 weeks after treatment | 72 (29) | 154 (64) |
| OMR 6 weeks after treatment | 84 (34) | 168 (70) |
| Life threatening (14 weeks after treatment) | 5 (2) | 13 (5) |

FMR, functional mucosal reactions reported by the patients.

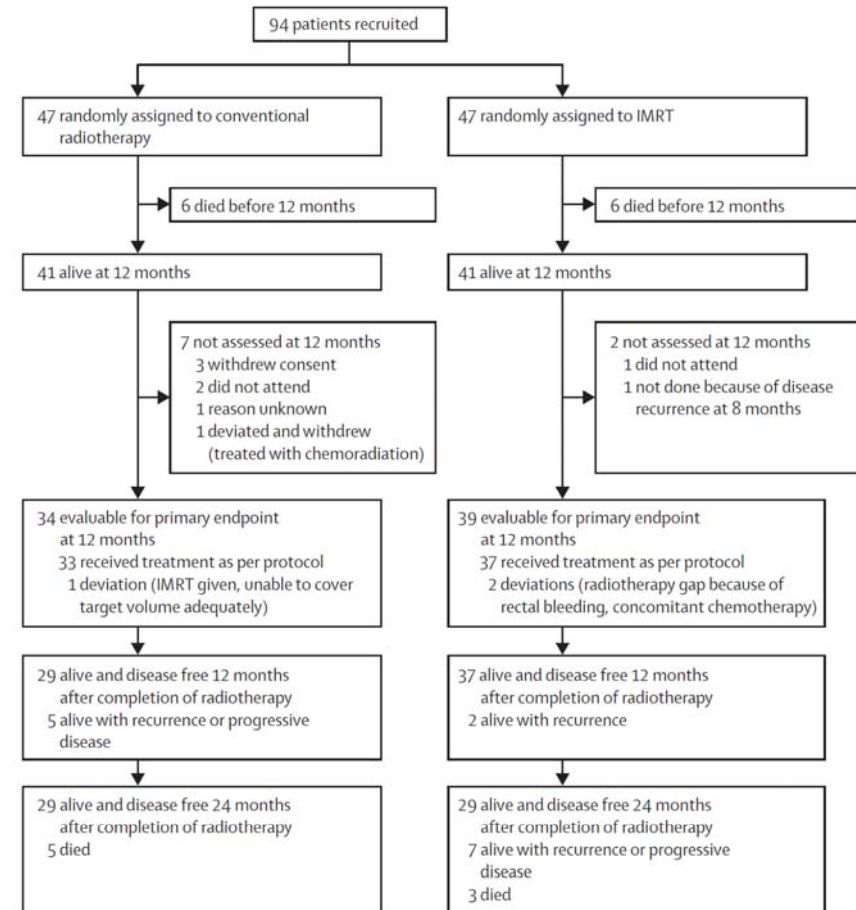
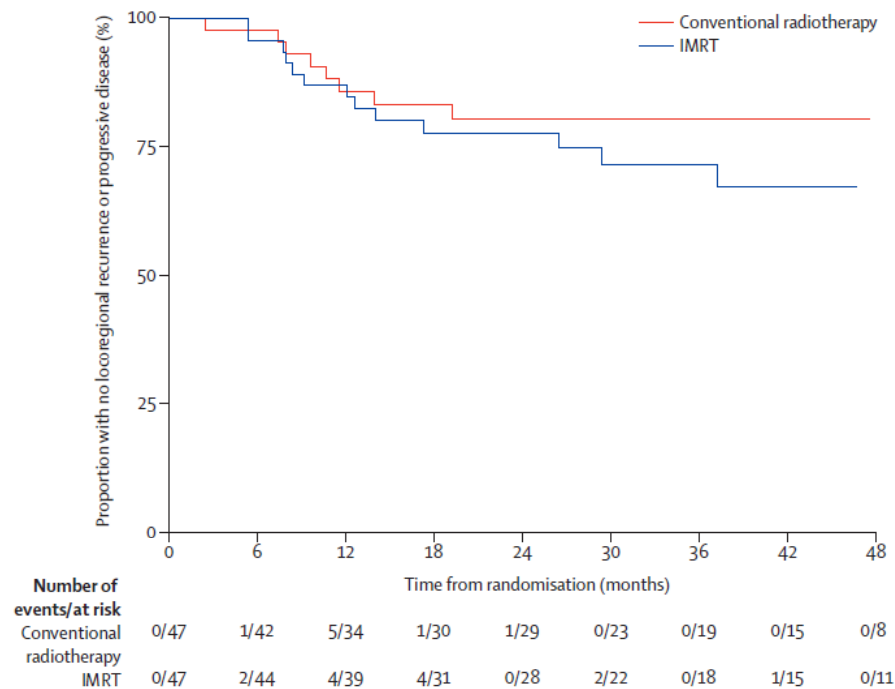
OMR, objective mucosal reactions scored by the physician.

Analysis November 1995.

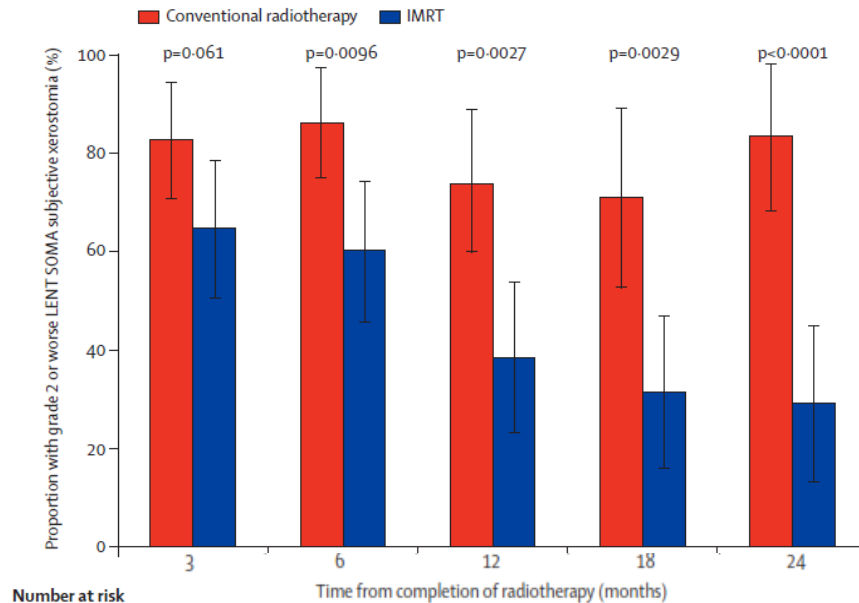
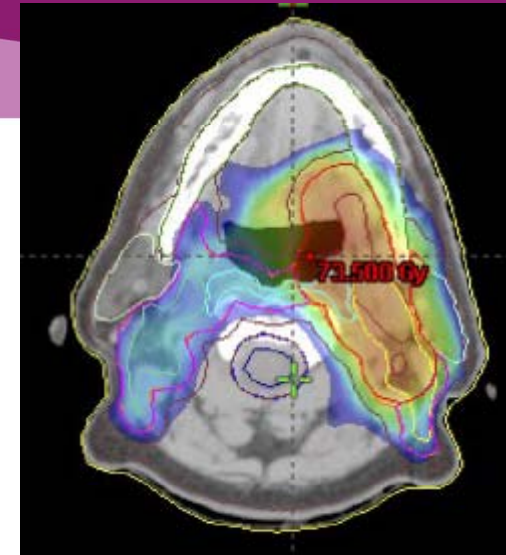
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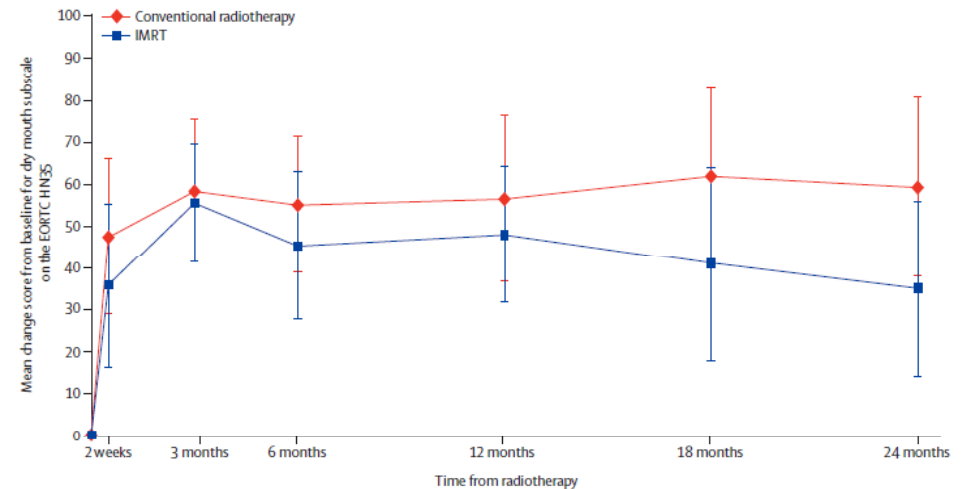
IMRT versus conformal treatment



IMRT versus conformal treatment



| Number at risk | 3 | 6 | 12 | 18 | 24 |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Conventional radiotherapy | 40 | 36 | 34 | 24 | 24 |
| IMRT | 45 | 45 | 39 | 35 | 31 |

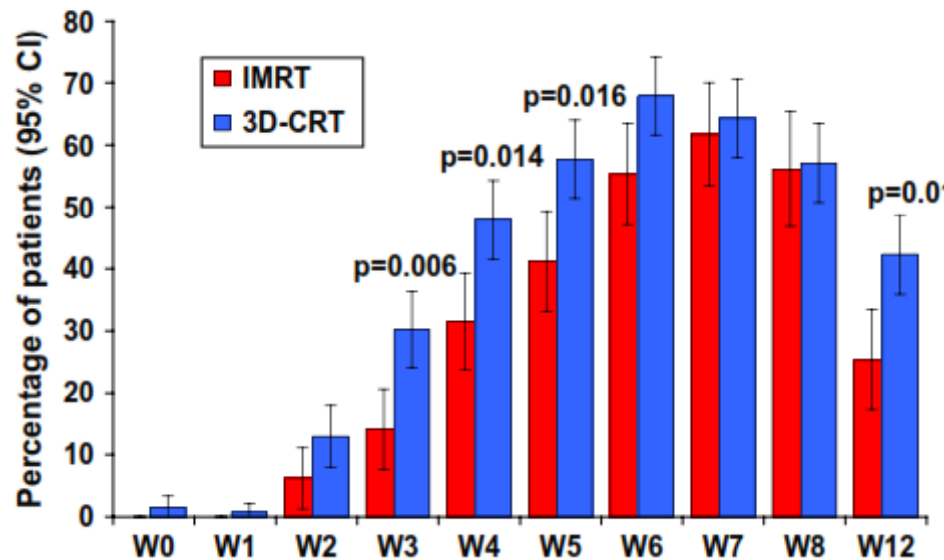


| | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Conventional radiotherapy | 26 | 24 | 23 | 23 | 21 | 18 |
| IMRT | 28 | 30 | 25 | 25 | 22 | 22 |
| Difference in mean | 11.7 | 2.8 | 9.7 | 8.5 | 21.0 | 24.4 |
| (99% CI) | (-14.4 to 37.8) | (-18.4 to 24.0) | (-13.5 to 32.9) | (-15.9 to 33.0) | (-8.9 to 50.9) | (-4.3 to 53.2) |

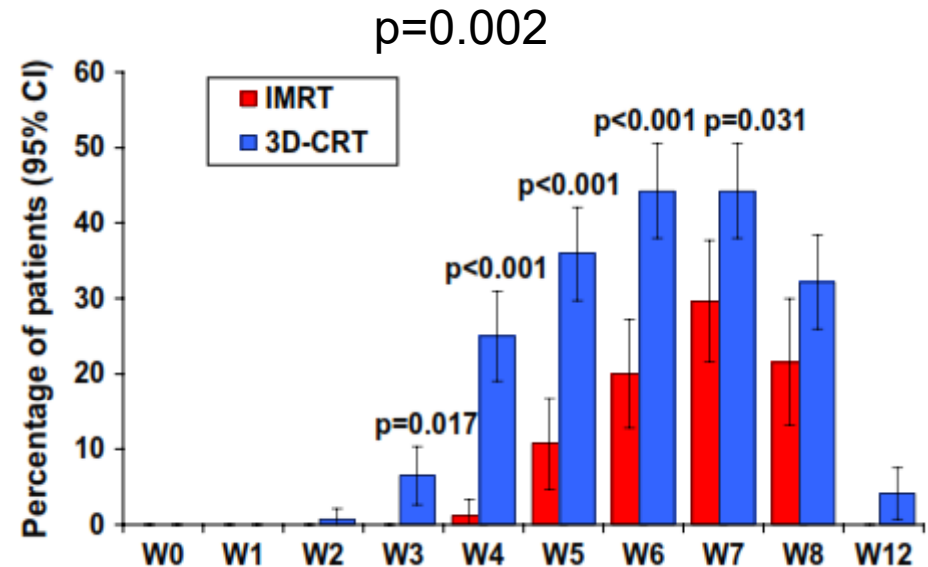
IMRT versus conformal treatment

Retrospective analysis; 241 patients.

150 before Oct. 2004 with 3-D RT; 91 after Oct. 2004 with IMRT



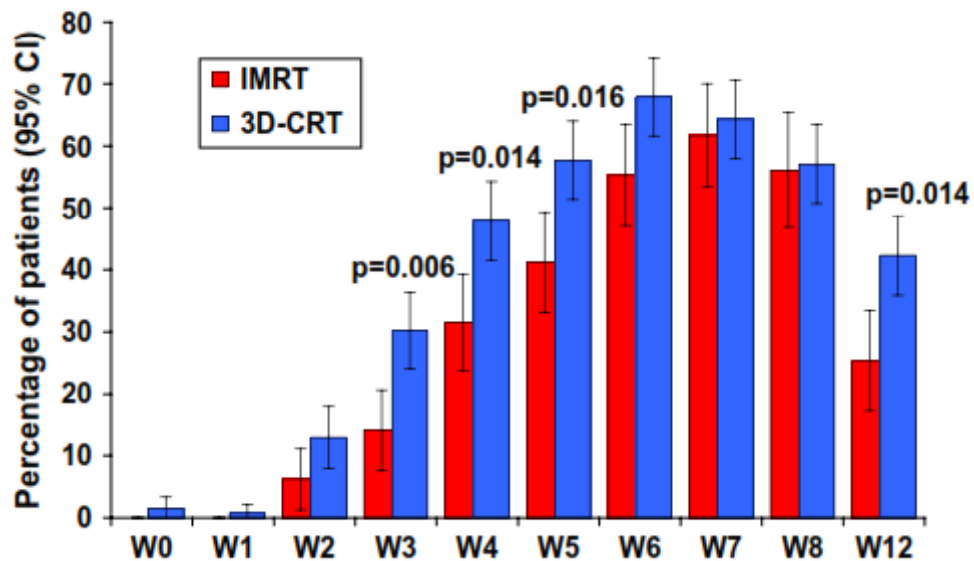
Acute xerostomia grade ≥ 2



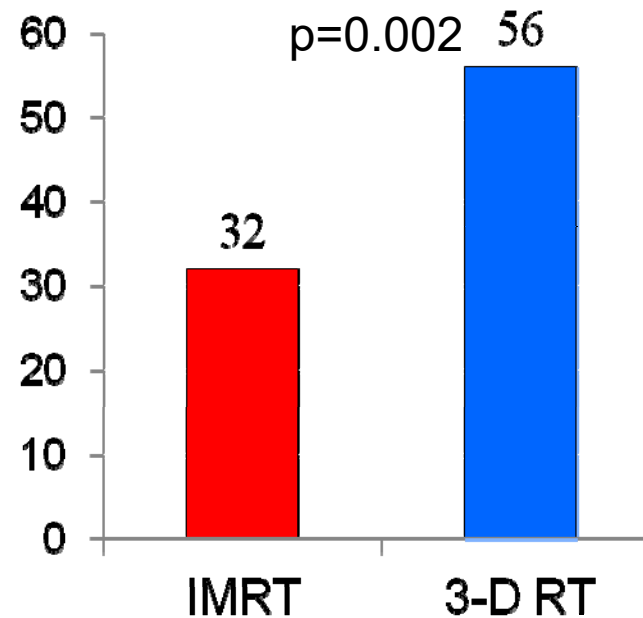
Acute mucositis grade ≥ 3

IMRT versus conformal treatment

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Acute xerostomia grade ≥ 2



Late xerostomia grade ≥ 2



Chemo-radiotherapy

ECOG/SWOG: Head and neck intergroup (295 pts.)

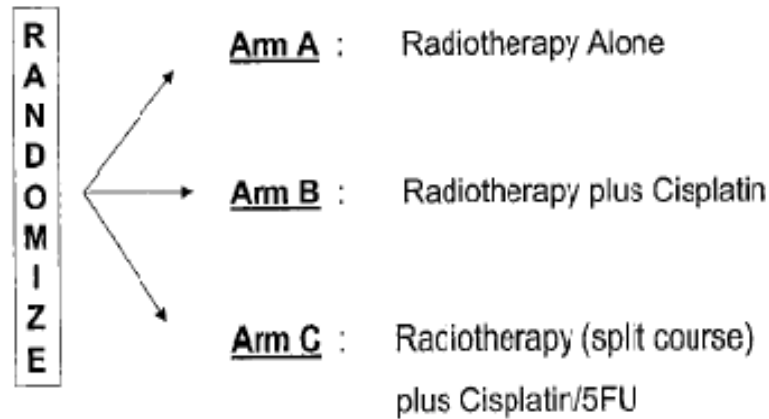
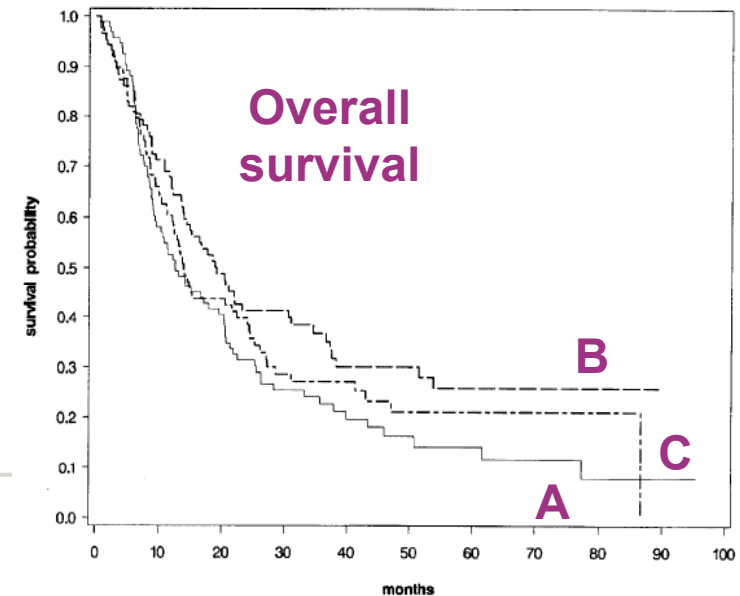
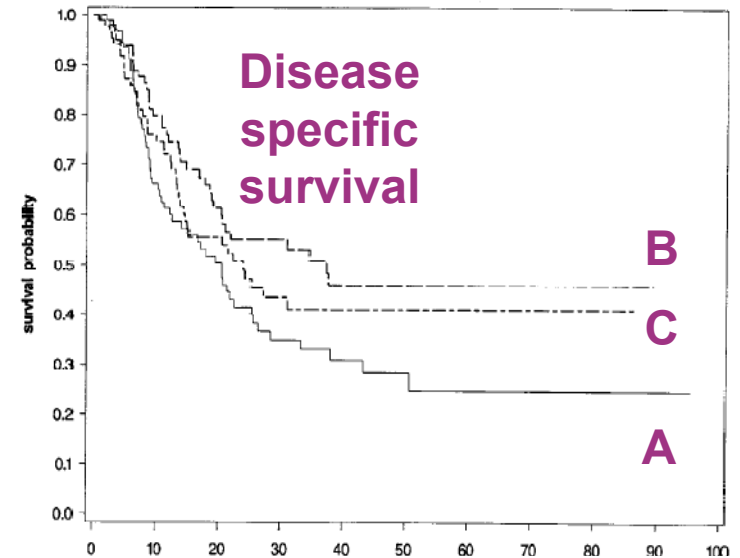


Table 4. Toxicity (grade 3-5)

| Morbidity | Arm | | | P | | |
|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | A (N = 98) | B (N = 95) | C (N = 94) | A versus B | A versus C | B versus C |
| Nausea/vomiting | 6 | 15 | 8 | .03 | | |
| Mucositis/dysphagia | 32 | 43 | 44 | .08 | .06 | |
| Leukopenia | 1 | 40 | 29 | < .001 | < .001 | < .001 |
| Thrombocytopenia | 0 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| Anemia | 0 | 17 | 18 | < .001 | < .001 | |
| Renal | 1 | 8 | 0 | .01 | | .01 |
| Skin | 13 | 7 | 2 | | .005 | |
| All grade 3-5 | 51 | 85 | 72 | < .0001 | < .001 | .02 |



Acute side effects: C-SRT versus C-ART

Stage III & IV
larynx and pharynx
carcinomas
(-T1N+ and T2N1)

Stratified by nodal
stage and KPS

R
a
n
d
o
m
i
z
e

→ AFX-CB 72Gy/42fx, 6fx/w
+ CDDP 100mg/m² x 2

→ SFX 70Gy/35fx, 5fx/w
+ CDDP 100mg/m² x 3

N=721 for
analysis

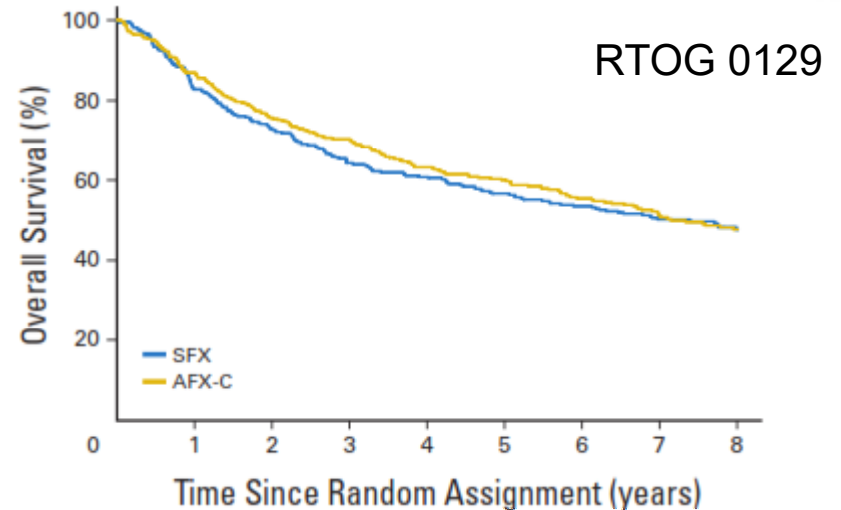


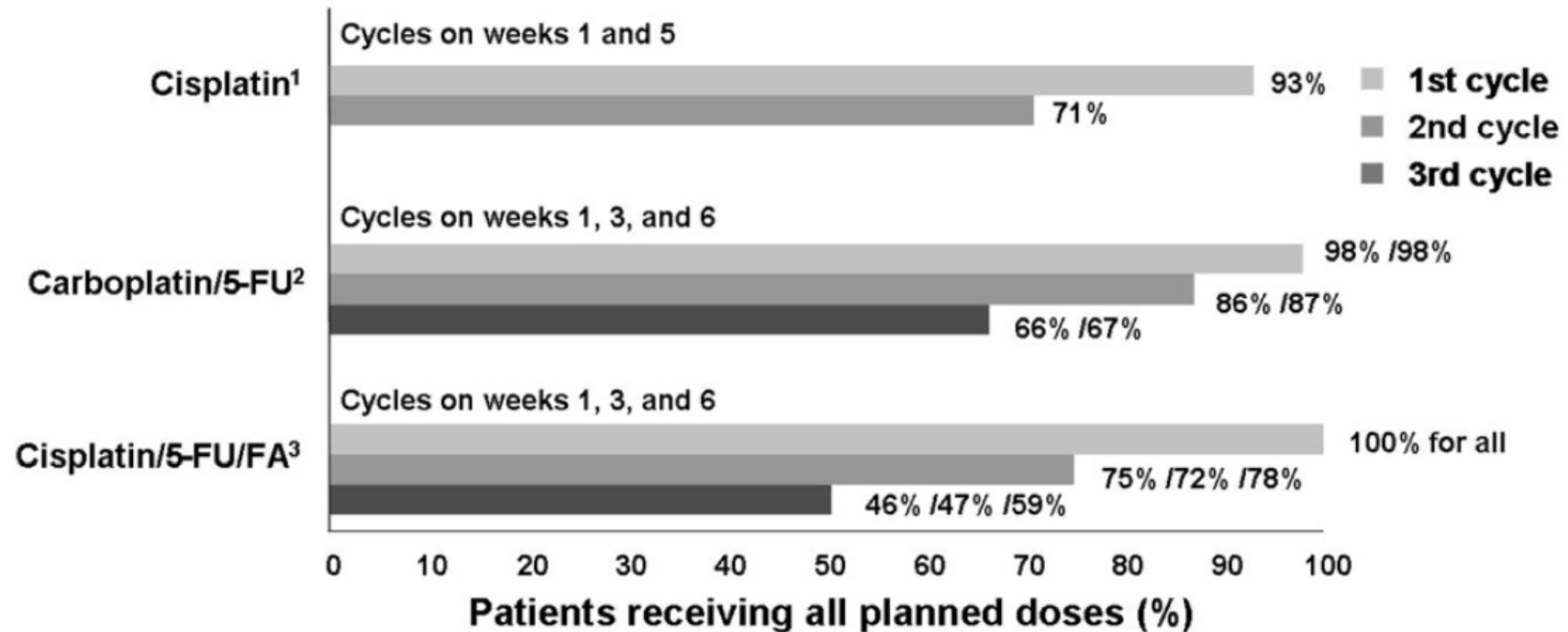
Table 3. Grade 3 to 5 Toxicity Summary

| Toxicity | No. of Days From Start of RT | SFX + Cisplatin | | | AFX-C + Cisplatin | | | P* |
|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----|
| | | No. of Patients With Toxicity/Total | Toxicity (%) | 95% CI (%) | No. of Patients With Toxicity/Total | Toxicity (%) | 95% CI (%) | |
| Nonhematologic | ≤ 90 | 266/361 | 73.7 | 69.1 to 78.2 | 261/360 | 72.5 | 67.9 to 77.1 | .74 |
| Mucositis/stomatitis | ≤ 90 | 141/361 | 39.1 | 34.0 to 44.1 | 119/360 | 33.1 | 28.2 to 37.9 | .10 |
| Mucositis/stomatitis | > 90 | 13/351 | 3.7 | 1.7 to 5.7 | 16/343 | 4.7 | 2.4 to 6.9 | .57 |
| Any | ≤ 90 | 297/301 | 82.3 | 76.3 to 88.2 | 276/300 | 77.2 | 72.9 to 81.0 | .10 |
| Any | > 90 | 128/351 | 36.5 | 31.4 to 41.5 | 130/343 | 37.9 | 32.8 to 43.0 | .75 |

Abbreviations: AFX-C, accelerated fractionation with concomitant boost radiotherapy; RT, radiation therapy; SFX, standard fractionation radiotherapy.

*Calculated from Fisher's exact test.

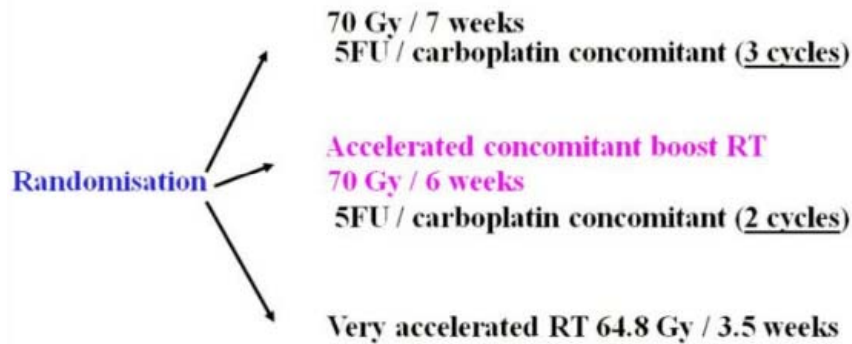
Compliance to concurrent C-RT



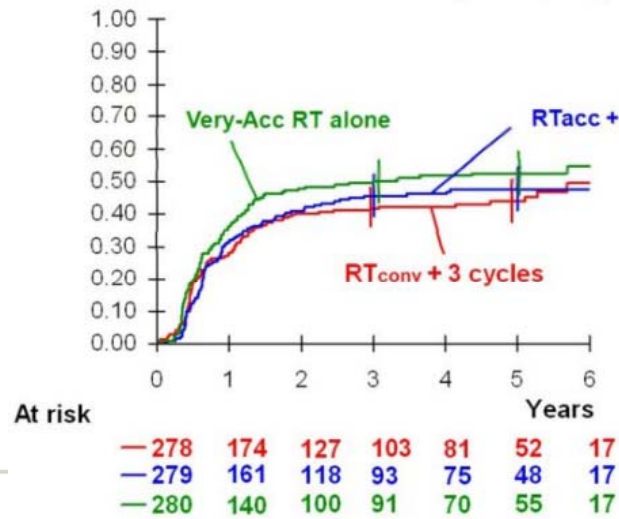
- 1/3 of pts. in trials do not receive the planned number of cisplatin cycles
- Compliance decreases over time
- C-RT regimens are affected by longer overall treatment times
- More frequent treatment interruptions than radiotherapy alone

Importance of fractionation

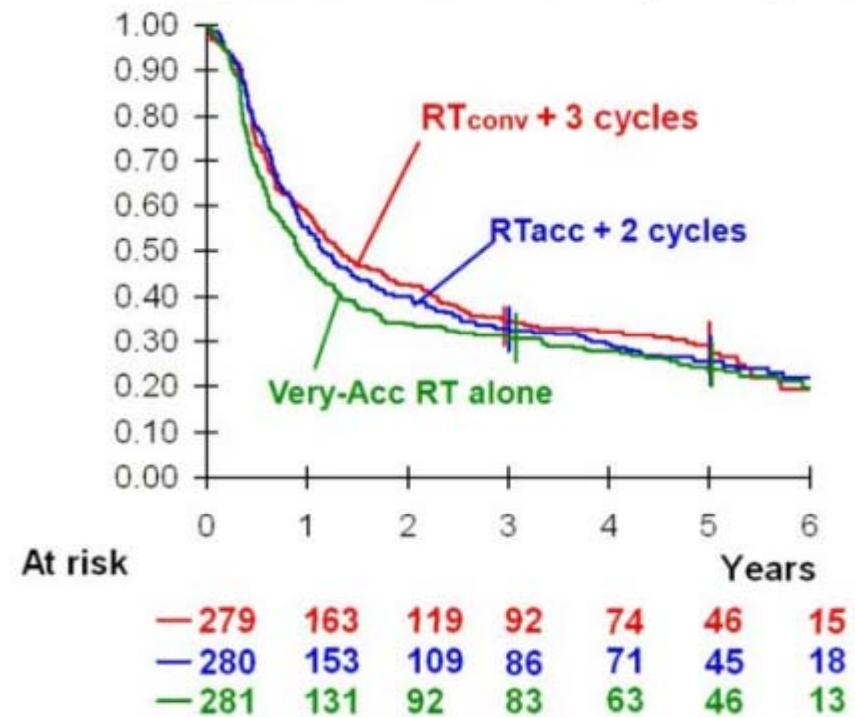
GORTEC 99-02 randomized trial



GORTEC 9902 - Locoregional progression

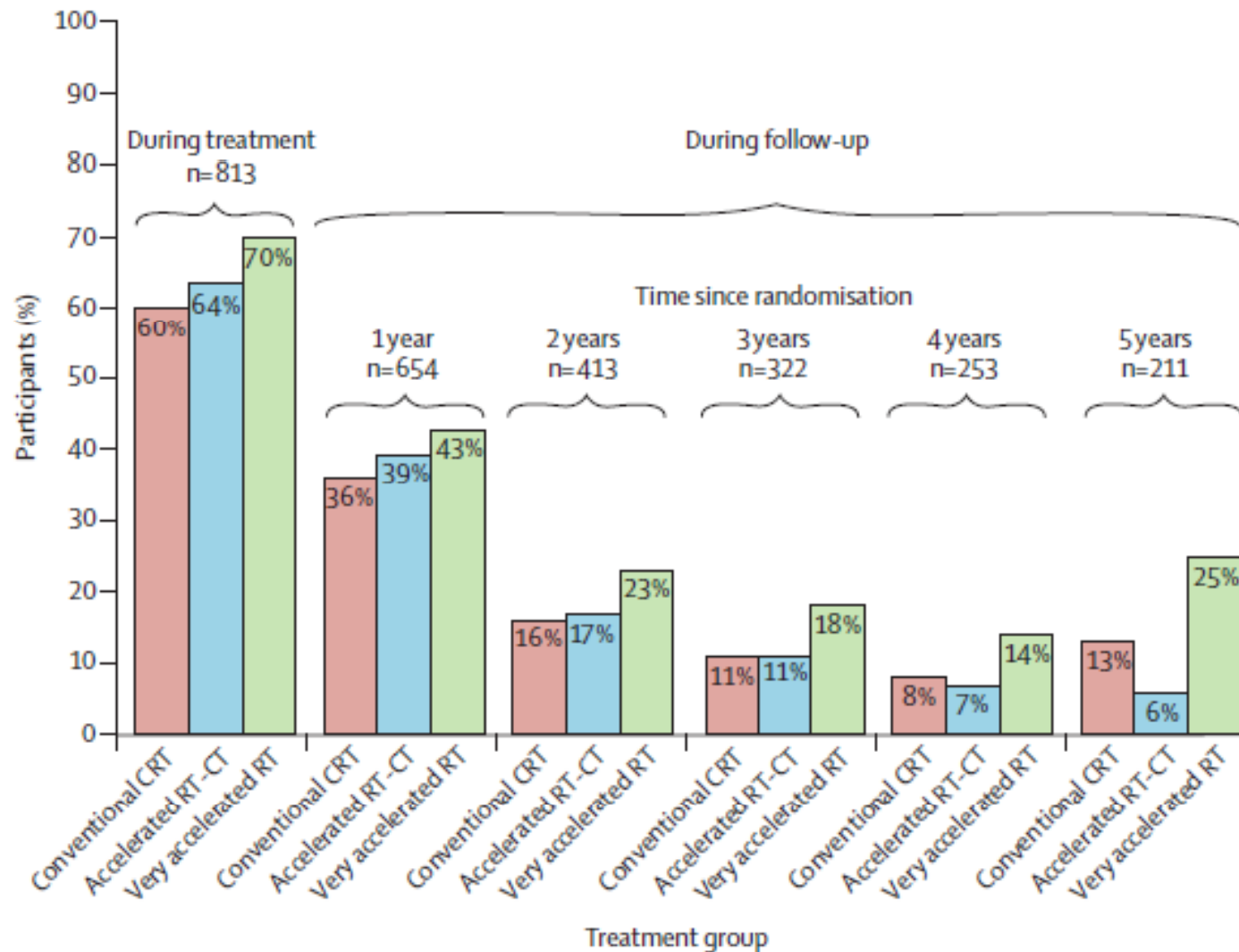


Progression free survival (primary end point)

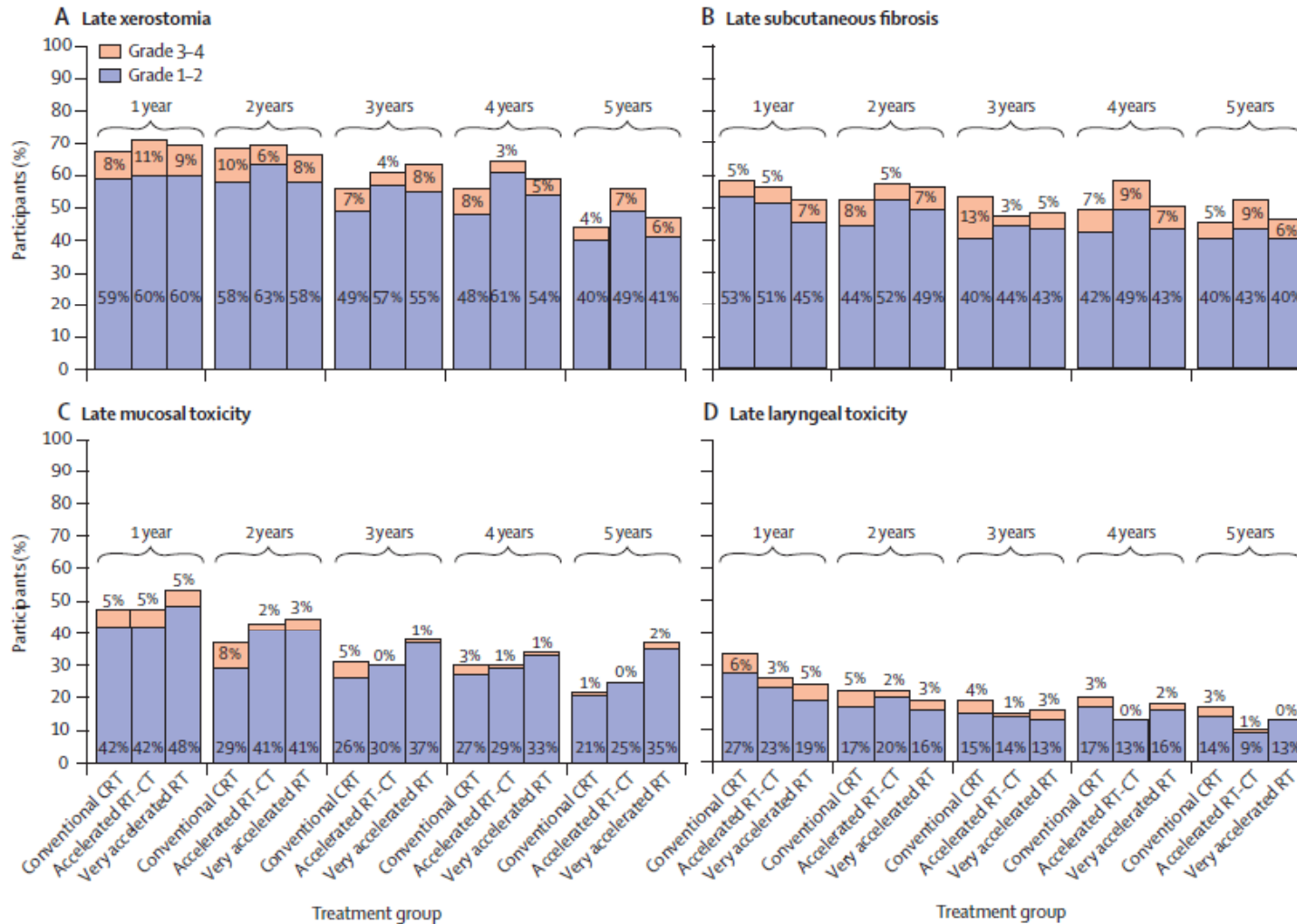


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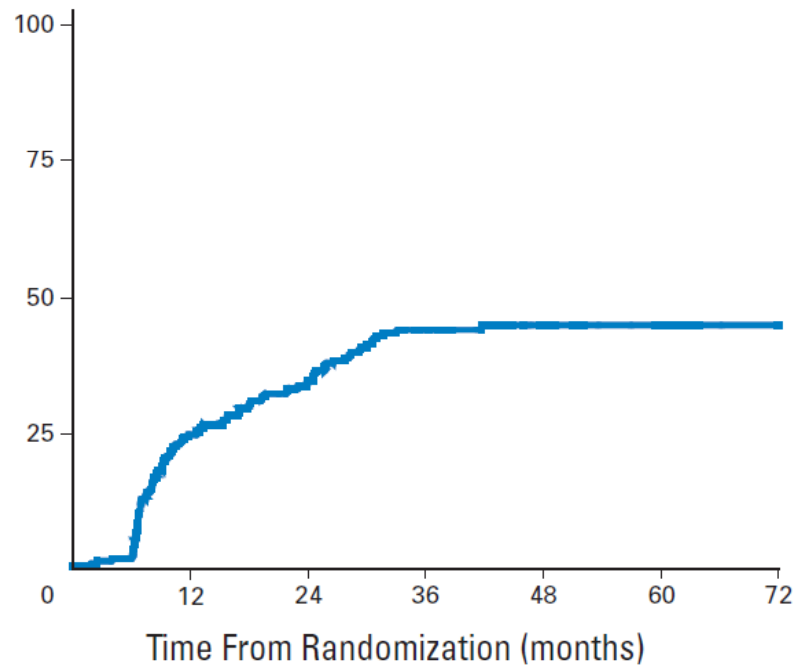
GORETEC 99-02: PEG-tube dependency



GORETEC 99-02: Late toxicity



Late morbidity



Analysis of 3 RTOG trial with C-RT
(RTOG 91-11, 97-03, and 99-14)

In total 230 patients

- 43% severe late morbidity
- 40% larynx/pharynx dysfunction
- 13% tube feeding >2 Y after C-RT

DAHANCA 18 - low dose weekly cisplatin

C-RT standard in Denmark from January 1. 2007

All consecutive Danish patients from 4 of 5 National HNSCC centres from 2007-2010

Inclusion criteria:

- UICC st III-IV, SCC,
- Oral cavity, larynx, oropharynx, hypopharynx
- GFR > 50mg/ml
- WHO performance 0 - 2

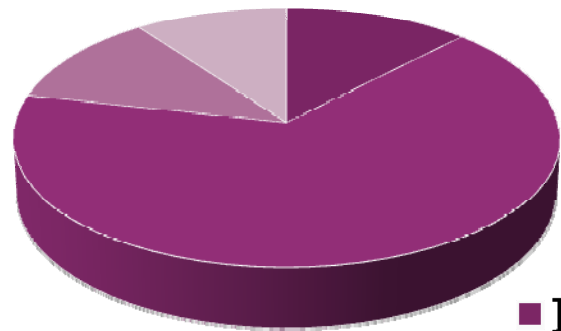
Treatment:

- Radiotherapy: 66-68Gy, 2Gy/F, 6 F/week, +
- Nimorazol 1200mg/m². +
- Cisplatin 40mg/m² x 1 weekly during radiotherapy

DAHANCA 18 patients

227 patients, 78% male, Median age 58 (range 32-82).

Follow-up: 46 months (range 24-73 mo)



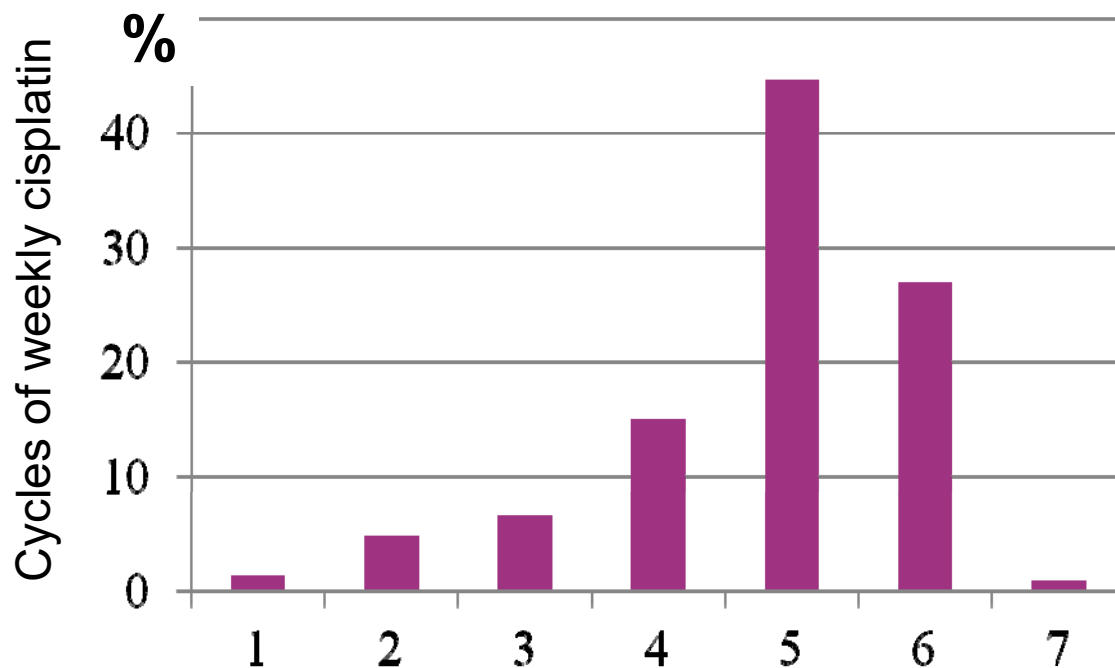
- Larynx
- Oropharynx
- Hypopharynx
- Oral cavity

| | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 | All |
|-----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| N0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| N1 | 14 | 22 | 10 | 9 | 55 |
| N2 | 40 | 60 | 37 | 18 | 155 |
| N3 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| All | 57 | 87 | 50 | 33 | 227 |

DANANCA 18: compliance

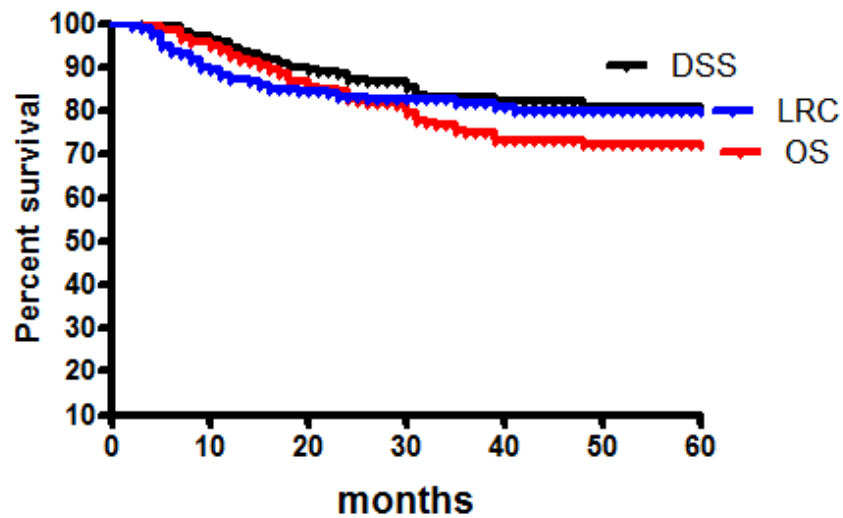
Compliance Radiotherapy and Chemotherapy

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| Total dose Gy | 59,7 | 60 | 64 | 66 | 68 |
| Number | 1 | 3 | 1 | 100 | 122 |

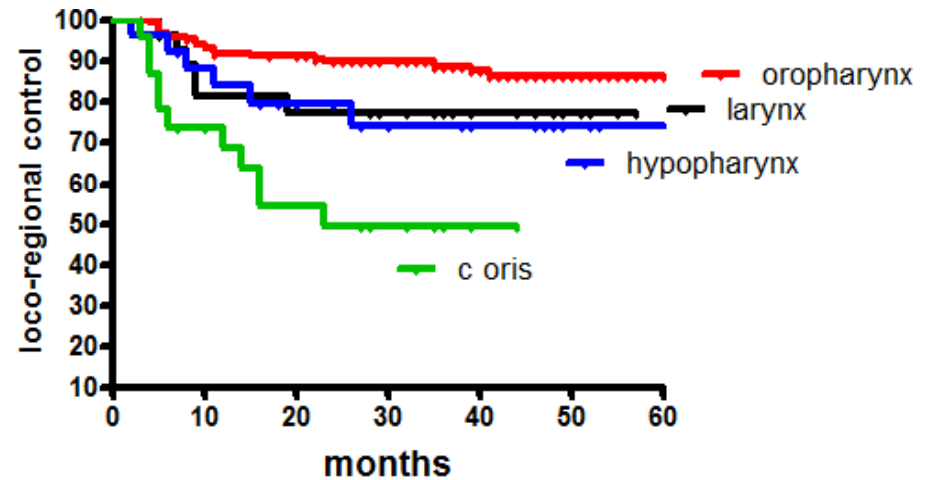


72% got 5 cycles of cisplatin or more

DAHANCA 18: outcome



5 Year OS is 72%
 5 Year DSS is 81%
 5 Year LRC is 80%



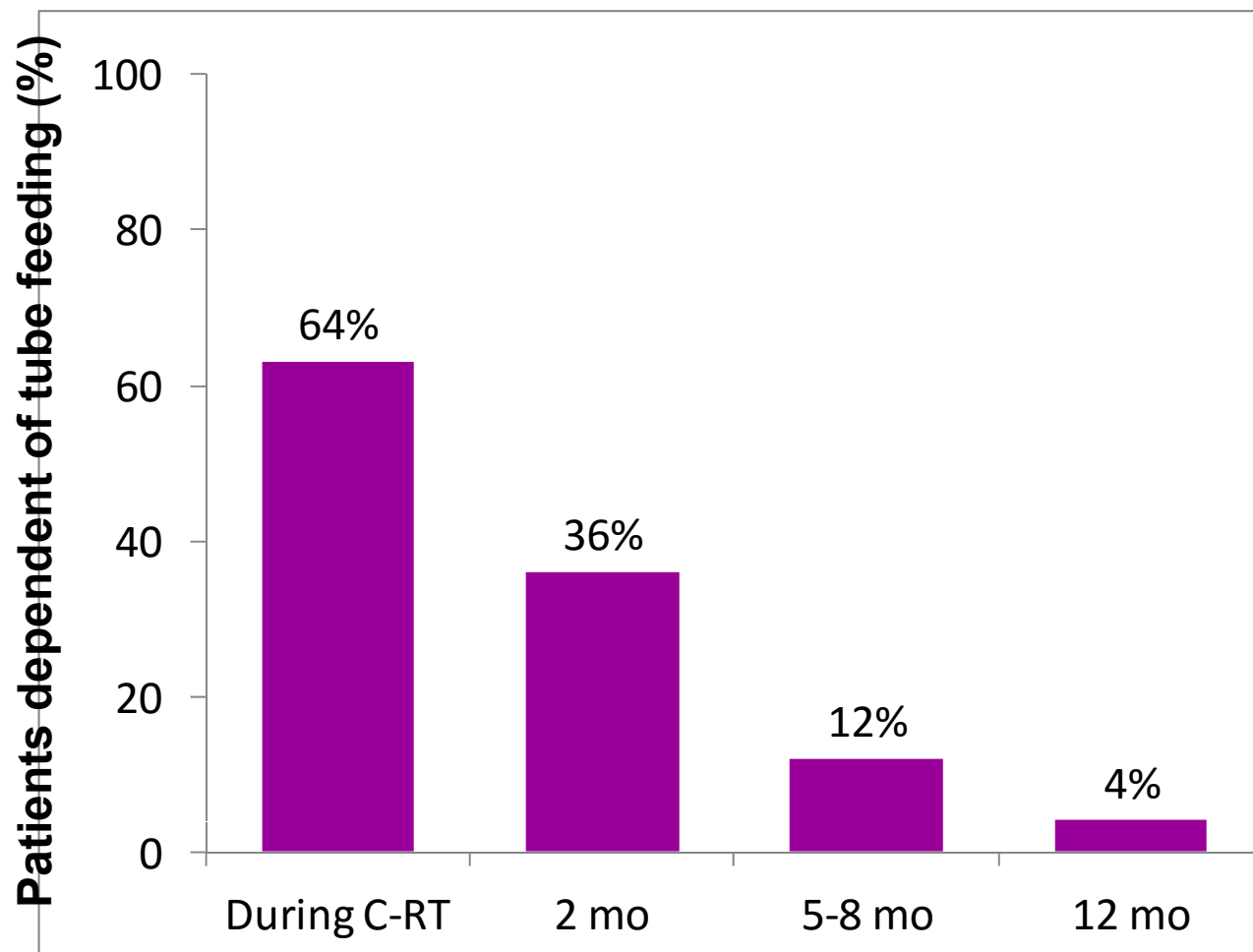
5 year loco-regional contro rates is:
 Larynx: 77% (n= 28)
 Oropharynx: 86% (n=150)
 Hypopharynx: 74% (n= 26)
 Cavum oris: 49% (n=23)

DAHANCA 18: morbidity

| Sideeffect | Acute (during treatment) (n=227) | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----|
| | n | % |
| Need of feeding tube | 146 | 64 |
| Dysphagia, only fluid nutrition | 168 | 74 |

| Sideeffect | Chronic 2 years after treatment (n=181) | |
|-------------------------------------|---|----|
| | n | % |
| Need of feeding tube | 6 | 3 |
| Dysphagia, only fluid nutrition | 17 | 9 |
| Significant dryness of mouth/throat | 35 | 19 |
| Significant mucousal atrophy | 4 | 2 |
| Pronounced fibrosis of the neck | 25 | 14 |

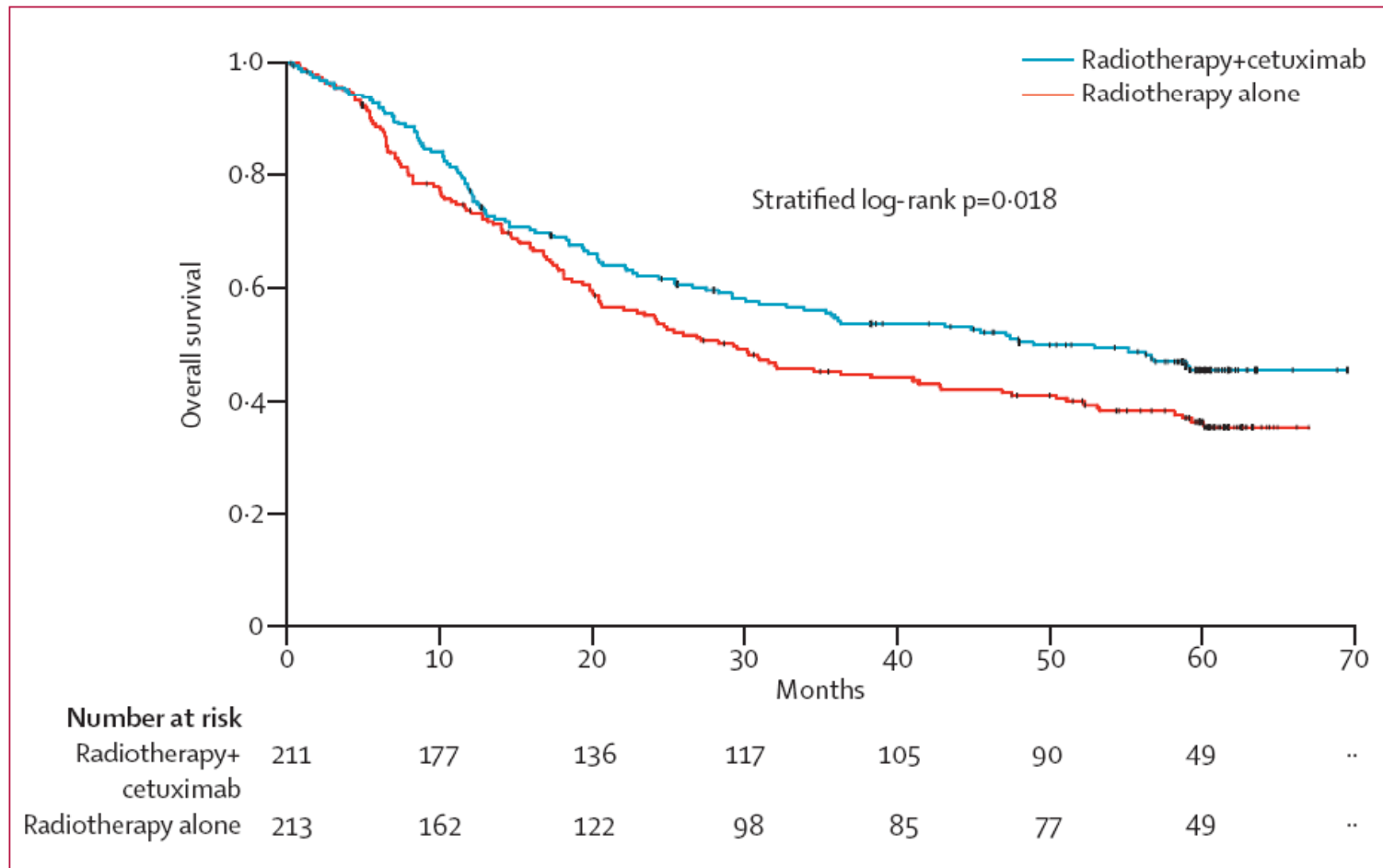
DAHANCA 18: morbidity





Bio-radiotherapy

The “Bonner-trial”



Side effects to bio-radiotherapy

| | Radiotherapy (N=212) | | | Radiotherapy plus cetuximab (N=208) | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| | All grades | Grade 3/4 | Grade 4 | All grades | Grade 3/4 | Grade 4 |
| Skin reaction* | 200 (94.3%) | 45 (21.2%) | 3 (1.4%) | 204 (98.1%) | 73 (35.1%) | 4 (1.9%) |
| Mucositis/stomatitis† | 199 (93.9%) | 110 (51.9%) | 9 (4.2%) | 194 (93.3%) | 116 (55.8%) | 13 (6.3%) |
| Dysphagia | 134 (63.2%) | 63 (29.7%) | 3 (1.4%) | 136 (65.4%) | 54 (26.0%) | 1 (0.5%) |
| Xerostomia‡ | 150 (70.8%) | 6 (2.8%) | 0 (0%) | 150 (72.1%) | 10 (4.8%) | 0 (0%) |
| Acneiform rash§ | 21 (9.9%) | 3 (1.4%) | 0 (0%) | 174 (83.7%) | 35 (16.8%) | 1 (0.5%) |
| Infusion reaction¶ | 4 (1.9%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 32 (15.4%) | 6 (2.9%) | 2 (1.0%) |

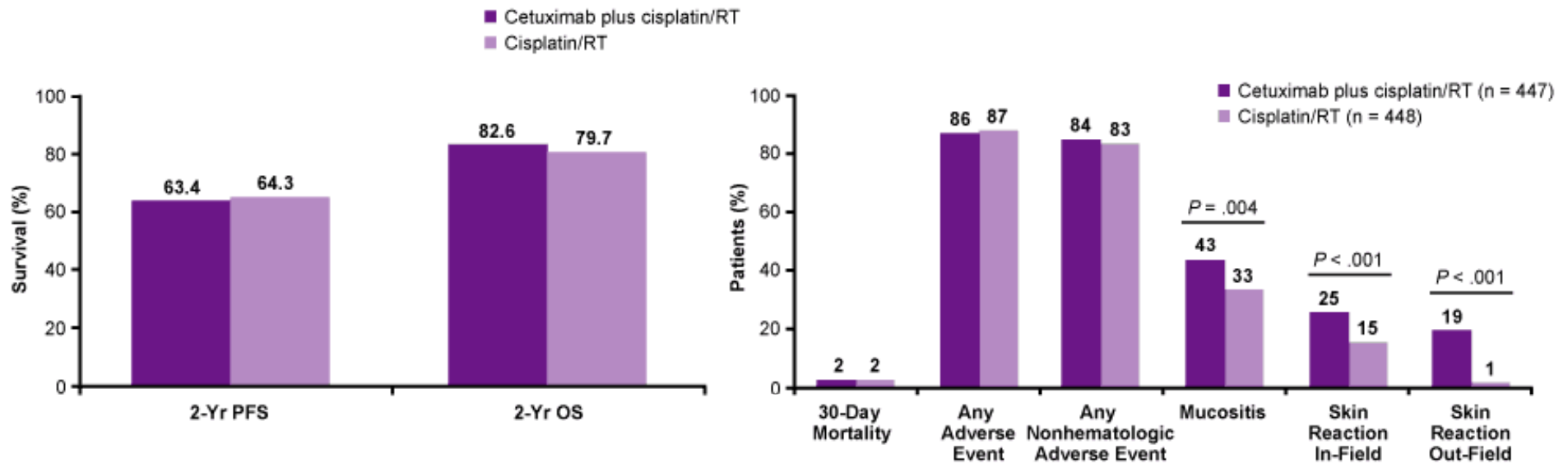
- Grade III/IV radiation dermatitis is observed in 49-77% of HNC patients treated with cetuximab and RT
- 31% RT-pause 10 dg (9-15)

Bonner JA Lancet Oncol 2010

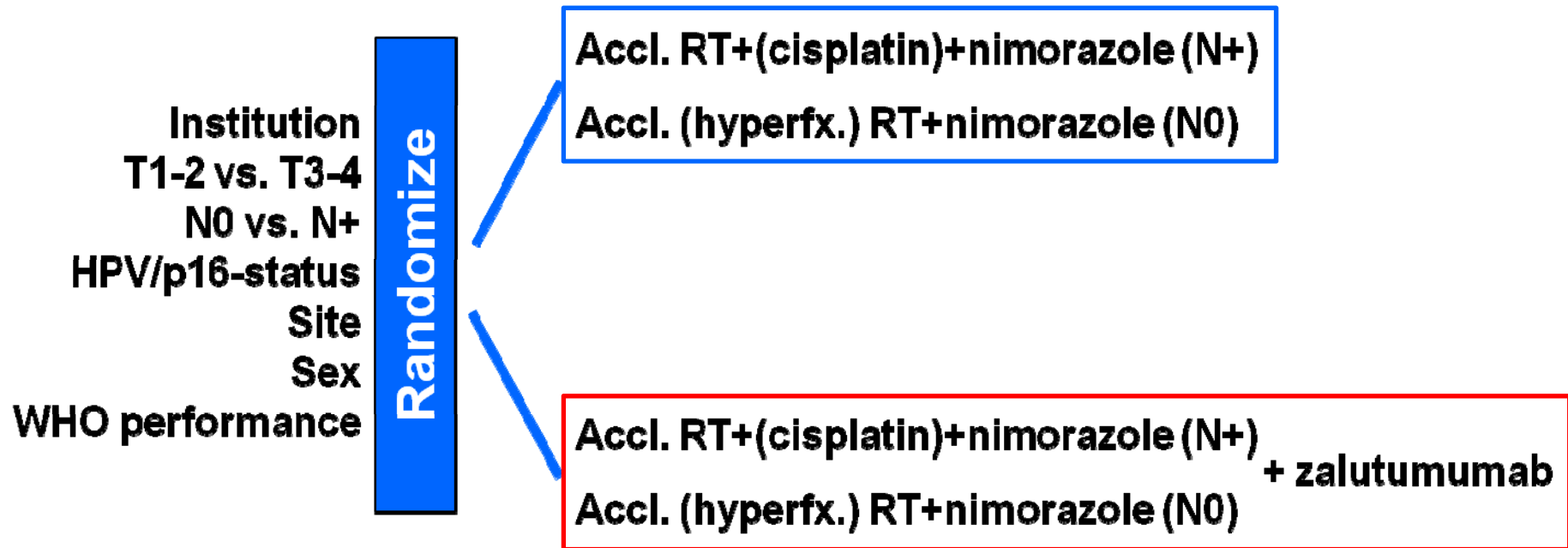
Pryor DL; Giro C Radiother Oncol 2009

RTOG 0522: C-RT ± cetuximab for stage III-IV HNSCC

- 940 pts with stage III-IV HNSCC of the larynx and pharynx
- No significant differences in PFS or OS
- Triplet patients had higher rates of grade 3-4 mucositis and skin reactions



DAHANCA 19



DAHANCA 19 acute effects

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DAHANCA 19 acute effects

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Skin toxicity

Unpublished data

Bio-radiation toxicity

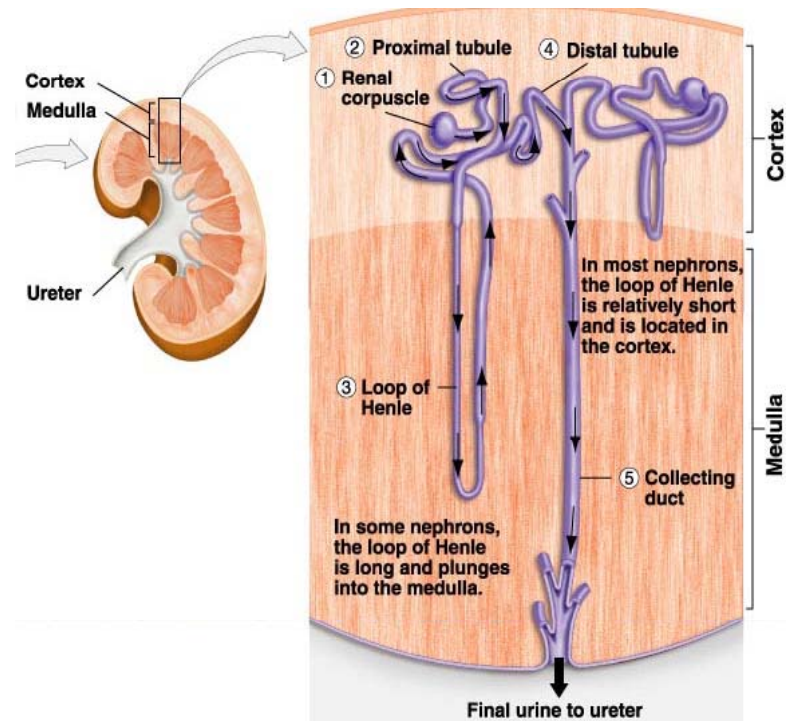


Eriksen 2009

Late side effects

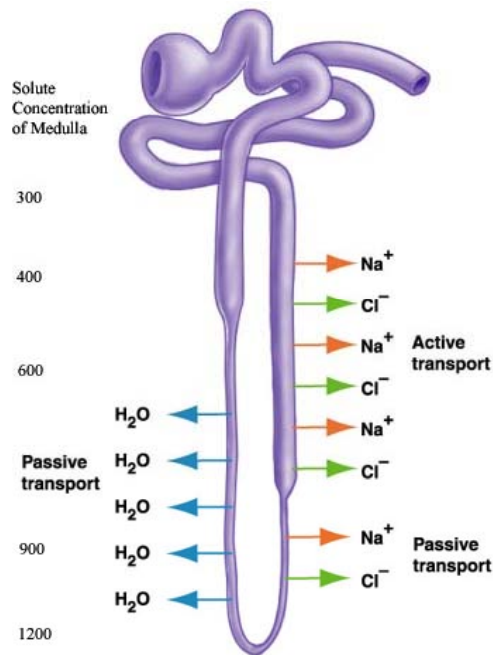
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Kidney toxicity



- Grade 3-4 hypomagnesemia in 2-6% treated with mab's
- G3-4 in a controlled setting:
 - < 3 mo. cetuximab: 0-5%
 - 3-6 mo. cetuximab: 3-23%
 - > 6mo. cetuximab: 12-47%
- Tiredness, somnolence, seizures, cardiac arrhythmias

No hypomagnesaemia during treatment



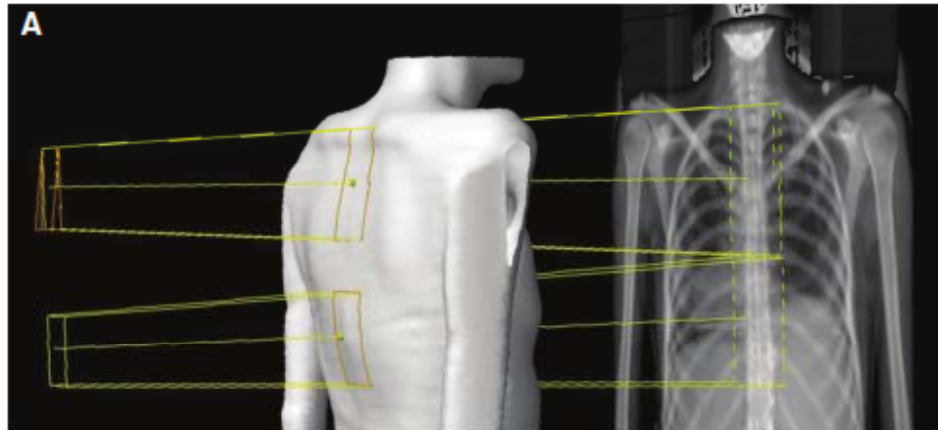
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Normal values: 0.67-1.10 mmol/L

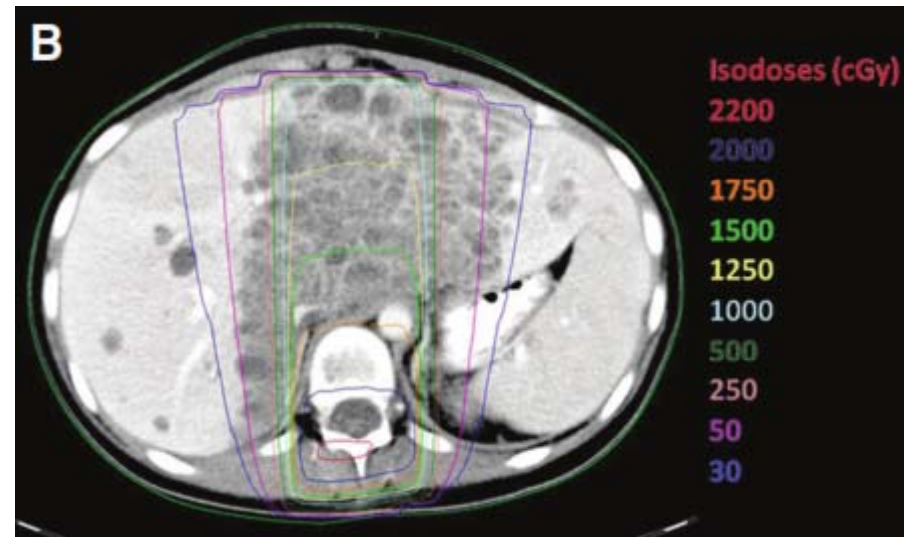
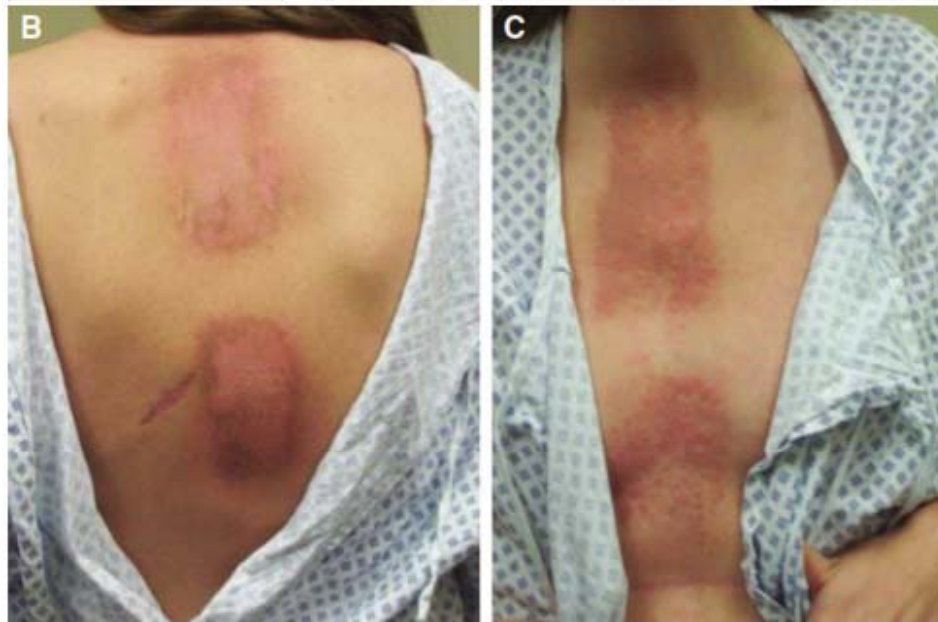
Is EGFR-I and radiotherapy less toxic?

Unpublished data

Be alert on future combinations!

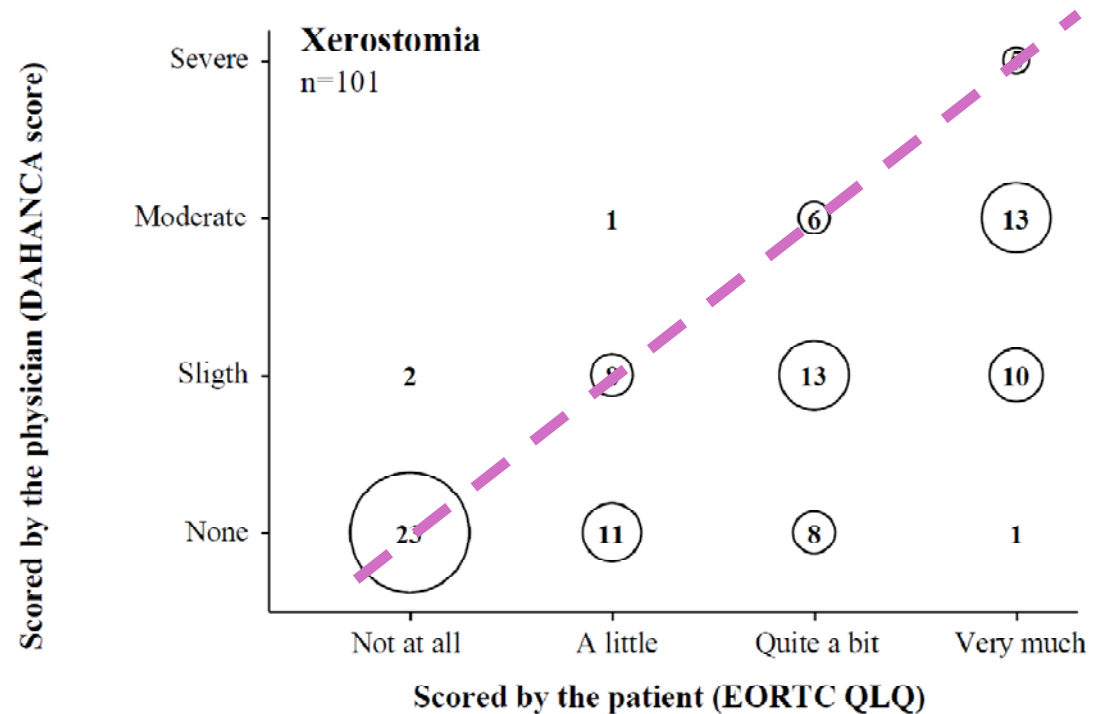


Vemurafenib + 20Gy/4fx



Time for a paradigm shift?

- Doctor reported versus patient reported?
- EORTC QLQ-H&N35
- EORTC QLQ-C30
- PRO-CTCAE
- MDADI



To know To prevent To treat

- Planning of radiotherapy
- Dental prophylaxis (dental extractions)
- Avoidance of tobacco and alcohol
- Oral care
- Nutritional support
- Awareness when combining modalities
- Close monitoring during treatment



Supportive care during (chemo)radiation or anti-EGFR + radiation

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The problem

Radiation

Radiation + cetuximab

Chemoradiation

The price to pay is more toxicities

The most frequent toxicities are:

- mucositis
- dermatitis
- hematological toxicities
- anti-EGFR skin toxicity



Acute mucositis

Xerostomia

Dermatitis

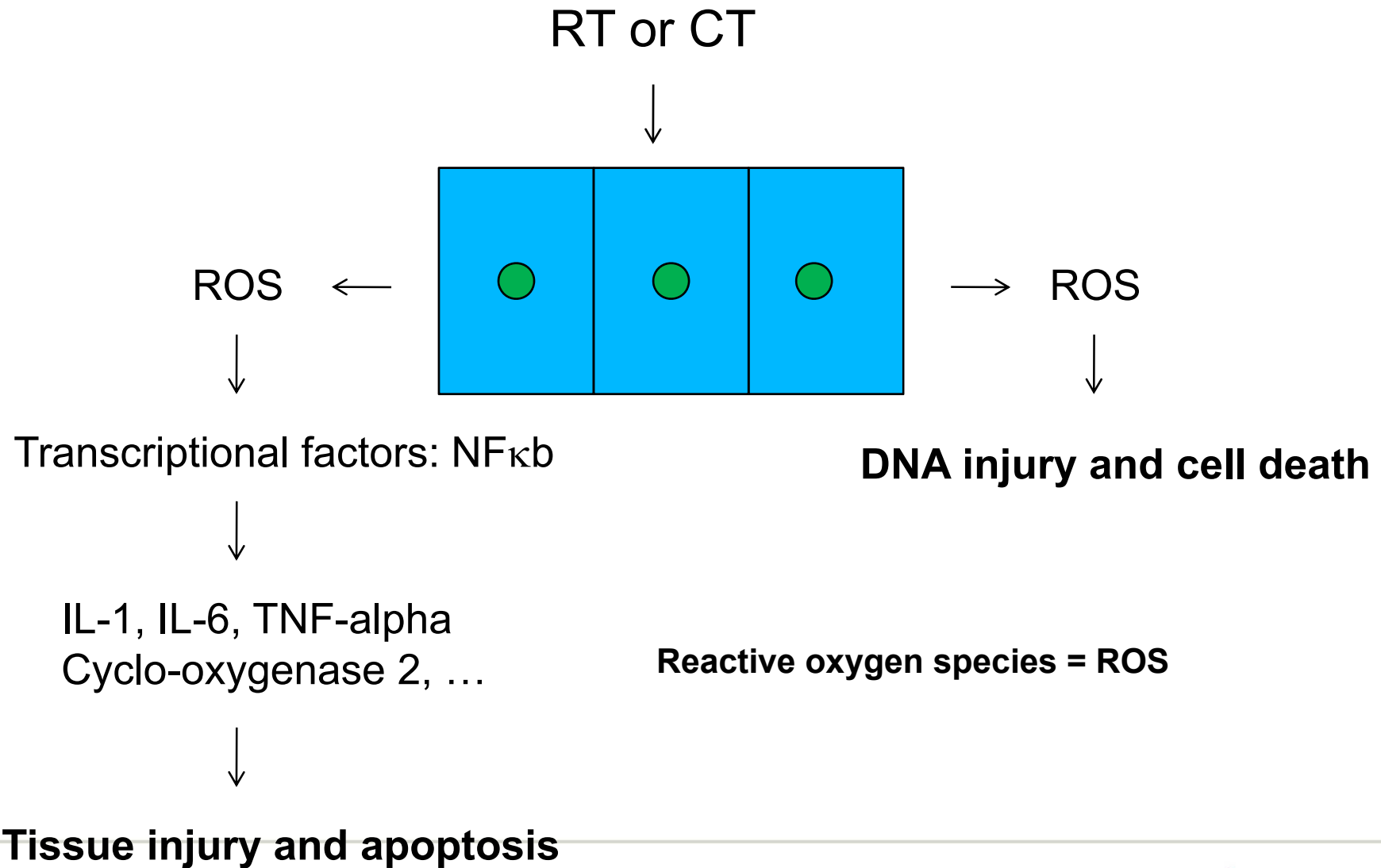
Anti-EGFR skin toxicity

Anemia

Issues related to chemotherapy

Issues related to co-morbidities and head and neck cancer

Acute mucositis: physiopathology



Acute mucositis: grading

NCI-CTC/RTOG

| | |
|---------|--|
| Grade 0 | No mucositis |
| Grade 1 | Erythema |
| Grade 2 | Pseudomembranous ulceration < 1.5 cm and non confluent |
| Grade 3 | Pseudomembranous ulceration > 1.5 cm and confluent |
| Grade 4 | Ulceration with necrosis |
| Grade 5 | Death |

WHO

| | |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| Grade 1 | Erythema, pain |
| Grade 2 | Ulceration and can eat solid food |
| Grade 3 | Ulceration and can eat liquid only |
| Grade 4 | No food intake is possible |

Acute mucositis : frequency

| Mucositis grade 3/4 | RT | RT+CT | Chemotherapy |
|---------------------|-----|-------|---|
| RTOG 95-01* | 34% | 77% | Cisplatin 100 mg/m ² , day 1, 22, 43 |
| EORTC 22931* | 21% | 41% | Cisplatin 100 mg/m ² , day 1, 22, 43 |
| GORTEC 94-01 | 39% | 71% | Carboplatin/5-FU, three times |
| RTOG 91-11 | 24% | 43% | Cisplatin 100 mg/m ² , day 1, 22, 43 |
| RTOG 0522 | NA | 33% | Cisplatin 100 mg/m ² , day 1 & 22 86% used IMRT |

* Huge variation from one study to another

Cooper et al. NEJM 2004

Bernier et al. NEJM 2001

Calais et al. JNCI 1999

Forastiere et al. NEJM 2003

Ang KK et al. JCO 2014

Acute mucositis : frequency

| Side effect | RT | Cetuximab + RT | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Mucositis/stomatitis | 52% | 56% | 0.44 |
| Dysphagia | 30% | 26% | 0.45 |
| Radiation dermatitis | 18% | 23% | 0.27 |
| Xerostomia | 3% | 5% | 0.32 |
| Fatigue/malaise | 5% | 4% | 0.64 |
| Acne-like rash | 1% | 17% | <0.001 |
| Infusion-related reactions | 0% | 3% | 0.01 |

Acute mucositis : frequency

| Side effect | Cisplatin + RT | Cetuximab + RT | p-value |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Mucositis/stomatitis | 53% | 59% | 0.44 |

Low number of patients, n=70

Acute mucositis: risk factors

Radiation therapy field

Addition of chemotherapy

Tobacco

Alcohol

Preexisting dental disease

Change in salivary flow

Oral bacteria flora

Advanced stage

Immunosuppression due to comorbidities (diabetes, ...)

Xerostomia

Low body mass index

Acute mucositis: consequences

- Pain, discomfort, dysgeusia, mouth and throat sores
- Excessive visquous secretions that may lead to nausea, vomiting, and gagging
- Impairment of the ability to eat and swallow
Feeding tube and hospitalization
- Infection: systemic or aspiration pneumonia
- Treatment interruption: « perte de chance »

Acute mucositis: prevention

- Not enough scientific evidence to provide guidelines
- However, there is a general consensus that basic oral care is important to
 - Decrease pain
 - Avoid surinfection
 - Reduce the risks of caries and gingivitis
- Basic oral care included
 - good hygiene = dentist before treatment and mouth hygiene during treatment
 - soft tooth brush
 - mouthwash with normal saline solution and sodium bicarbonate

Not recommended interventions

- Cryotherapy
- Amifostine
- Glutamine
- Steroids and anti-inflammatory drugs
- Barrier agents : Sucralfate, GelClair®, MuGard® and Mucotrol®
- Allopurinol gel, Chlorhexidine, Povidone-iodine; Triclosan mouth washes, Iseganan mouth washes, Aloe vera, Granulocyte macrophage colony-stimulating factor, Pure natural honey Misoprostol and Prostaglandin E2 Antibiotic + antifungal pastilles (containing polymixin, tobramycin and amphotericin orbacitracin, clotrimoxazole and gentamicine)

Acute mucositis: prevention

Mouthwash with saline solution and bicarbonate

| Drug | Recommendation | |
|-----------------------|----------------|--|
| Benzydamine* | Yes | Anti-inflammatory Analgesic and anesthetic Antimicrobial |
| Chlorhexidine | No | Oral care protocol |
| Anti-fungal agents | ? | |
| Anti-microbial agents | ? | |

* Similar activity mouthwash (nystatin, diphenhydramine and dexamethassone) + sucralfate (ASCO 2011)

Saunders et al Support care cancer 2013

Kuk et al. ASCO 2011

McGuire et al Support care cancer 2013

Nicolatou-Galtis et al Support care cancer 2013



Acute mucositis: prevention

Palifermin

- is a recombinant truncated form of human keratinocyte growth factor (KGF), a member of the fibroblast growth factor family, that acts on epithelial tissue to exert a cytoprotective effect against chemotherapy- and radiation therapy–induced mucosal injury
- approved for prophylaxis against severe mucositis among patients undergoing HSCT for hematologic malignancies.

Acute mucositis: prevention palifermin

Postoperative chemoradiation: placebo versus palifermin 120 µg/kg/week

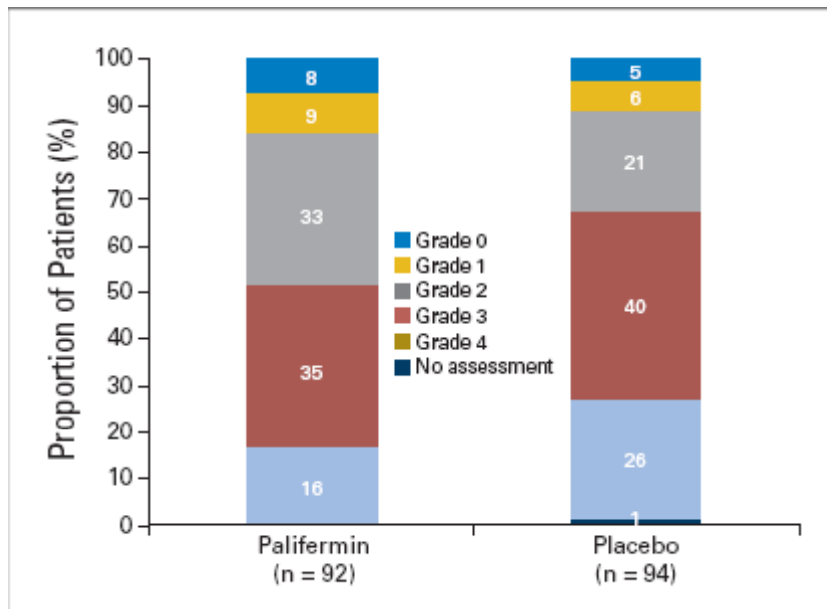


Fig 2. Distribution of maximal WHO grade oral mucositis by treatment group.

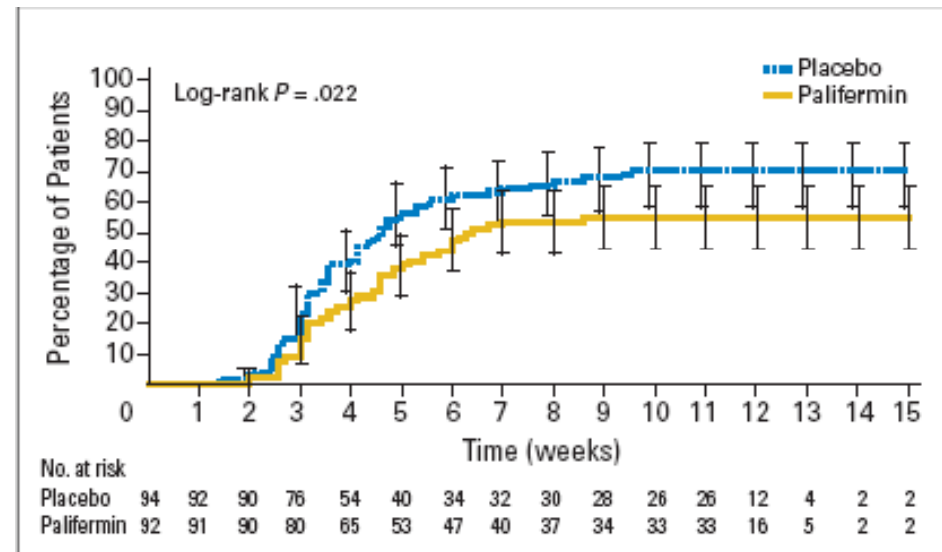


Fig 3. Kaplan-Meier plot of time to onset of severe oral mucositis (WHO grades 3 to 4) during combined postoperative radiotherapy and cisplatin-based chemotherapy for locally advanced head and neck cancer (intent to treat).

Acute mucositis: prevention palifermin

Palifermin

- Similar study with curative definitive chemoradiotherapy (n=188)
- No impact on PFS and survival but not the primary end point
- No significant impact on pain, treatment break, and feeding tubes

Acute mucositis: treatment

- Avoid to stop radiation and/or chemoradiation
- Treat fungal or bacterial infection (systemic)
- Analgesic: morphine
- Adequate Hydration
- Mouthwash with analgesic
- Swallowing exercise

Guidelines:

- Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer (MASCC)
- NCCN

Acute mucositis: enteral feeding

- Controversial to use enteral feeding upfront
- Nasogastric tube versus gastrostomy: no difference demonstrated
- If weight loss is more than 10%: enteral feeding is indicated

Acute mucositis: low level laser

N= 75 , Low-level laser versus placebo, chemoradiation

- grade $\frac{3}{4}$ mucositis not significantly decreased at week 4 (p=0.08)
- less treatment interruption due to mucositis: 6 vs 0 (p= 0.02)

N= 94 , Low-level laser versus placebo, chemoradiation

- grade $\frac{3}{4}$ mucositis decreased: 48% vs 6.4 % (p<0.001)
- less treatment interruption, less pain, less gastrostomia, better Q&L

N= 220 , Low-level laser versus placebo, chemoradiation

- better quality of life (FACT-HN questionnaire)
- significant reduction in severe mucositis, opioid analgesic, and parenteral nutrition

Gautam AP et al. Supportive care Cancer 2013

Gouvêa de Lima et al. Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2010

Antunes et al. Radiotherapy Oncol 2013





Acute mucositis

Xerostomia

Dermatitis

Anti-EGFR skin toxicity

Anemia

Issues related to chemotherapy

Issues related to co-morbidities

Xerostomia

Conventional RT: 60-70% long term moderate/severe xerostomia

Xerostomia severity depends on the dose received by the glands, the irradiated volume, and time from RT

Consequences:

- dental caries
- oral mucosal integrity: oral pain, loss taste, difficulties in swallowing and chewing, sleep up disorders and oral infections
- problem with nutritional intake and weigh loss

Xerostomia

Amifostine recommended by ASCO for RT but not for CRT.

- reduced chronic xerostomia grade 2 from 57% to 34% ($P = .002$).

Pilocarpine approved by FDA.

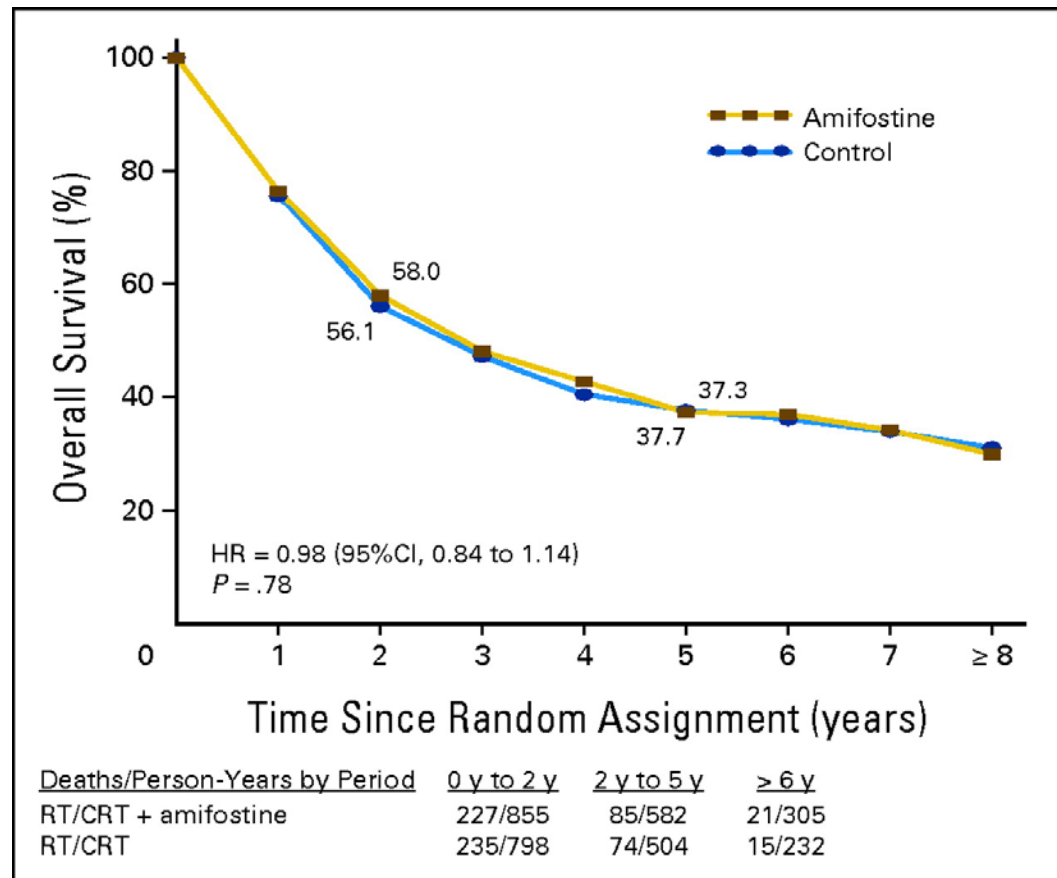
- N = 249
- patients randomized between placebo versus pilocarpine 5 mgr

| N=249 | P-value |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Preservation of salivary function | $P < 0.05$ |
| Quality of life | $P = \text{NS}$ |

Gustatory stimuli (chewing, acid substance, saliva substitute, ..)

Xerostomia: amifostine tumor protection ?

12 trials: 1119 patients



Xerostomia: amifostine toxicity?

| | IV (%) N= 143 | S/C (%) N= 148 | P value |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Nausea/vomiting | 29% | 36% | |
| Hypotension | 20% | 8% | < 0.05 |
| Skin rash | 10% | 22% | < 0.05 |
| Local pain | | 8% | < 0.05 |
| Fever | 2% | 0% | |
| Asthenia | 1% | 6% | |

Xerostomia

Intensity modulated radiation therapy (IMRT)

- PASSPORT phase III trial compared IMRT with to conventional RT
- n=94

| | IMRT | Conventional |
|---------------------------------|------|--------------|
| Grade 2 xerostomia at 12 months | 37% | 74% |
| Grade 2 xerostomia at 24 months | 29% | 83% |

p < 0.05

- No difference in terms of PFS, OS, and other late toxicities



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Radiation dermatitis: grading

NCI-CTC/RTOG

- | | |
|---------|--|
| Grade 1 | Faint erythema or dry desquamation |
| Grade 2 | Moderate to brisk erythema; patchy <u>moist</u> desquamation, mostly <u>confined to skin folds and creases</u> ; moderate oedema |
| Grade 3 | Moist desquamation other than skin folds and creases; <u>bleeding</u> induced by minor trauma or abrasion |
| Grade 4 | Skin <u>necrosis</u> or ulceration of full thickness dermis; spontaneous bleeding from involved site |
| Grade 5 | Death |
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Skin toxicity: Radiation dermatitis

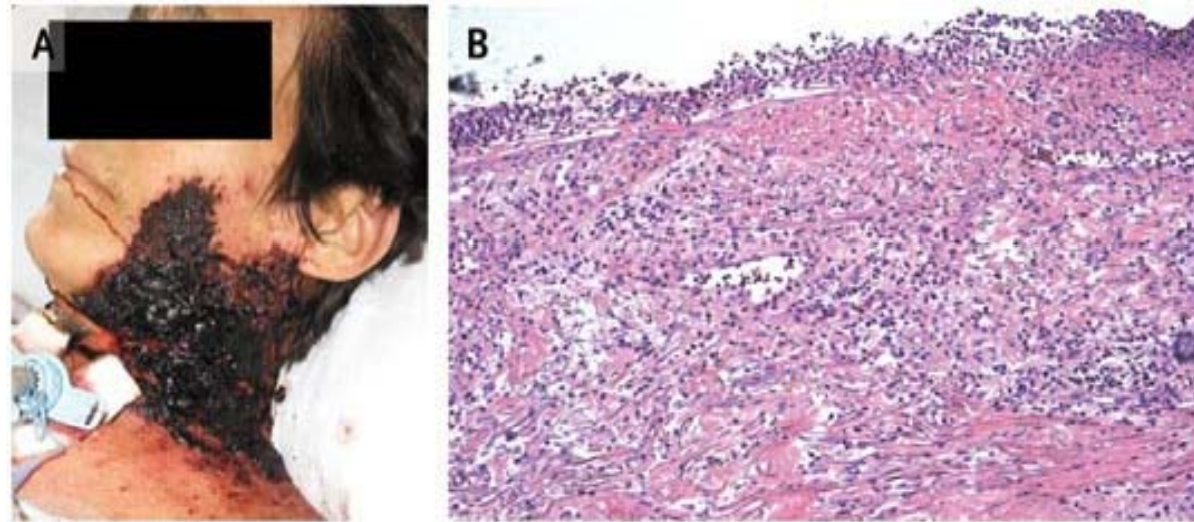
| Radiation dermatitis 3/4 | RT | RT+CT | Systemic treatment |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|--|
| RTOG 95-01 | 21% | 14% | Cisplatin 100 mg/m ² , day 1, 22,43 |
| RTOG 91-11 | 9% | 7% | Cisplatin 100 mg/m ² , day 1, 22,43 |
| | | | |
| Bonner | 18% | 23% | Cetuximab |

Around 15-20% related to:
the total dose of RT and the RT field,
the dose per fraction,
CT or cetuximab

Cooper et al. NEJM 2004
Forastiere et al. NEJM 2003
Bonner et al. NEJM 2006



Life-threatening skin toxicity with cetuximab



Management

General

IF YOU ARE NOT A RADIOTHERAPIST, DO NOT DO ANYTHING BEFORE ASKING HER/HIM

Maintain hygiene and gently clean and dry skin in the radiation field shortly before radiotherapy

Topical moisturisers, gels, emulsions and dressings should not be applied shortly before radiation treatment

Avoid sun and alcohol-based lotions

Grade 1: Use of a moisturiser is optional

Management

Grade 2-3:

One or combinations of the following topical approaches may be used:

- Drying gels, possibly with the addition of antiseptics (chlorhexidine-based creams)
- An anti-inflammatory emulsion, such as trolamine
- Hyaluronic acid cream
- Hydrophilic dressings
- Zinc oxide paste
- Silver sulfadiazine or beta glucan cream should be applied after radiotherapy (in the evening) after cleaning the irradiated area

If infection treated as indicated with topical or systemic antibiotics

Management

Grade 4:

Verify that radiation dose and distribution are correct

Requires specialised wound care and should be treated on a case by case basis



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Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR



60-80%

Macular, papular, pustular rash, = acne-like rash (or folliculitis)

Sometimes: severe pruritus

Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR



35%

Dry skin, xerosis and fissure

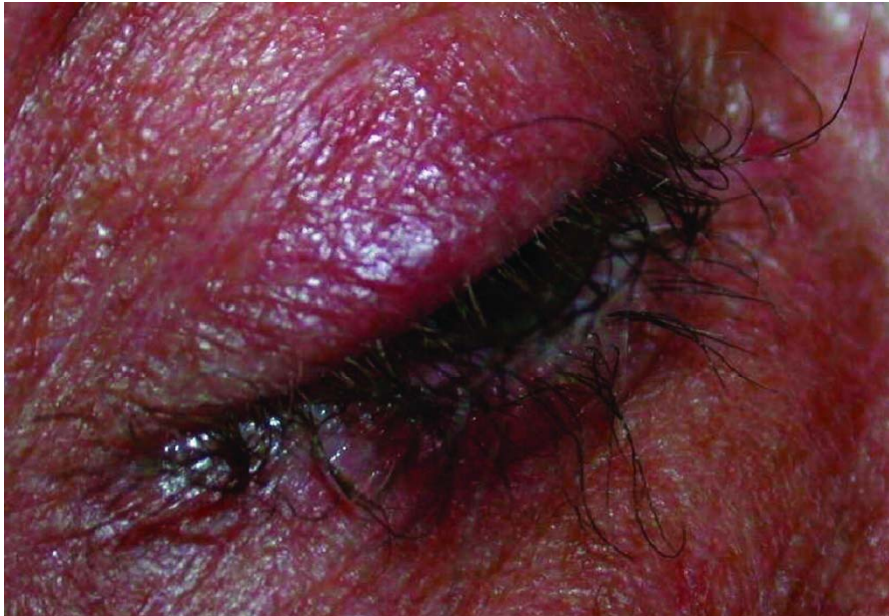
Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR



10-20%

Paronychia and pyogenic granuloma
Nail: discoloration and onycholysis

Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR



Trichomegaly and hyperpigmentation

Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR

NCI-CTC version 4.0 (acneiform rash, dry skin)

Grade 1 < 10% BSA with or without symptoms

Grade 2 10-30% BSA with or without symptoms

Grade 3 >30% BSA with or without symptoms

Grade 4 infection (AB) or life-threatening

Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR

Prevention

- Using sunscreens;
- Avoiding habits/products that can produce dry skin (hot water, alcohol based cosmetics);
- Enhancing skin hydration (bath oils, etc.);
- Using frequently alcohol-free moisturizing creams;
- Using tocopherol oil or gel;
- Avoiding tight shoes;
- Avoiding excessive beard growth, shaving with regular shaving razor, sharp multiblade; using pre-shaving cream emollients and moisturizing aftershave, not using alcohol and aftershave or using electric shaver.

Systemic skin toxicity with anti-EGFR

Antiacne or antirosacea (erythromycin or clindamycin gel)

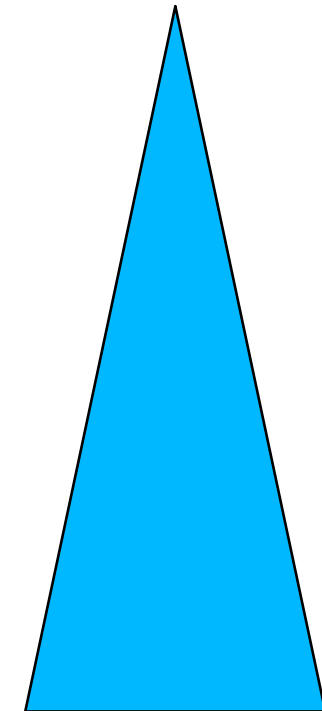
Topical corticosteroids

Antihistaminic if itching

Oral tetracycline: i.e. minocycline 100 mg/day (pustule)

Paronychia: hygiene, Potassium permanganate soak, topic steroids and antibiotics, silver nitrate

Mild



Severe

Diarrhea and hypomagnesemia with anti-EGFR

Diarrhea : Please inform the patient !!!

More frequent with PAN-HER inhibitor

Hypomagnesemia: please follow and correct !



Acute mucositis

Xerostomia

Dermatitis

Anti-EGFR skin toxicity

Anemia

Issues related to chemotherapy

Issues related to co-morbidities

Anemia

Anemia occurs frequently

Tumor response to radiotherapy in patients with pre-existing anemia is less satisfactory than in patients with normal hemoglobin

In a review of 12 studies in cervical and SCCHN, anemia was a significant predictor of negative response or poor prognosis

? correction of anemia during radiotherapy does not improve survival and local control

? smoking reduces the oxygen carrying capacity of the blood through formation of carboxyhemoglobin

Anemia and erythropoietin: Cochrane database

Meta-analysis of five studies with a total of 1397 patients

Radiation therapy versus radiation therapy + EPO

Significantly worse overall survival for RT plus EPO was observed compared to RT alone

odds ratio 0.73; (95% CI 0.58 to 0.91); $p = 0.005$

However, the target hemoglobin concentration was higher than recommended in four of the five trial and may have had a significant role

Anemia: treatment

Do not use erythropoietin outside a clinical trial

Correction of hemoglobin (HB > 11, 12-14) is appropriate with blood transfusion



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Most frequently used cytostatics

Cisplatin

Carboplatin

Docetaxel

5-Fluorouracil

What are the specific recommendations to use these agents?

Issues related with chemotherapy

Cisplatin

Nephrotoxicity

Peripheral neuropathy

Ototoxicity

Less hematotoxicity than carboplatin

Conditions for cisplatin administration

Creatinine Clearance > 60 ml/min

Neutrophil count > 1000/mm³

Platelet count > 75 000/mm³

Although not cardiotoxic, be sure that the patients has a heart function compatible with administration of 4 liter of saline solution in less than 24 hours

Issues related with chemotherapy

Cisplatin in the clinic

Cisplatin 100 mg/m² in hospitalization

Be sure the patient is not dehydrated before starting

Hyperhydration to force the diuresis

When the patient start to urinate, cisplatin can be started

Monitor urine output and weight, add furosemide if needed

Highly emetogen: used apprepitant (Emend), anti-HT3, ...

Important to inform the patient to come back to the hospital rapidly if he/she cannot keep water to preserve kidney function

Issues related with chemotherapy

Carboplatin

More hematological toxicities

No nephrotoxicity

Less neuropathy

Ambulatory treatment

5-Fluorouracil

Frequently used in combination with cisplatin and carboplatin

Mucositis more frequent

Issues related with chemotherapy

Docetaxel (Taxanes)

Use with corticosteroids to avoid capillary leak syndrome

Polyneuropathy

Oedema

Docetaxel frequently used in induction approach with cisplatin and 5-FU

Issues related with chemotherapy

| Grade 3/4 | Vermorken | | Posner | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| | PF | vs TPF | PF | vs TPF |
| Neutropenia | 52.5% | 76.9% | 56% | 83% |
| Thrombopenia | 17.9% | 5.2% | 11% | 4% |
| Febrile neutropenia | 2.8% | 5.2% | 7% | 12% |
| Infection | 6.1% | 6.9% | 5% | 6% |
| Stomatitis | 11.2% | 4.6% | 27% | 21% |

Prophylactic antibiotics, ciprofloxacin 500mg bid started day 5 for 10 days
 Consider prophylactic G-CSF

How are you managing febrile neutropenia ?

Definition

Treatment

How are you managing febrile neutropenia ?

Definition: fever $> 38.0^{\circ}$ C and neutrophil $< 500/\text{mm}^3$

Tricks with head and neck cancer:

- No severe neutropenia
- Fever not all time present: silent aspiration pneumonia (monitore C-reactive protein)

Treatment:

- Monotherapy, Antibiotic IV in the hospital
- Cover anaerobic bacteria
- Tazobactam + piperacilline
- Local pathogenes (screening)



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Issues related to co-morbidities and disease

Issues related with the co-morbidities

Alcoholic and tobacco damages

- Heart function
- Polyneuropathy
- Cirrhotic status:
 - hypersplenism and low platelet
 - oesophageal varices
- Active ethylism

Issues related with the co-morbidities

Hospital admission

- Stop drinking
- Give vitamins B1, B6 to avoid Wernicke Korsakoff
- Supplement with Magnesium, phosphorus, potassium if needed
- Prevent and treat the alcoholic withdrawal syndrome:
 - diazepam: 10 mgr, 3 times a day

Issues related with the disease

- Physiotherapy to avoid muscle loss
- Tracheotomy care
- Swallowing problem to diagnose to avoid aspiration pneumonia
- Nutritional counselling and oral nutritional supplements
- Pain management

Conclusions and take home message

The multimodal standard curative treatment of locally advanced SCCHN included radiation therapy (RT) and/or surgery and/or chemotherapy. With these classical modalities, we are at the maximal toxicity that our patients can tolerate.

Do not interrupt the RT treatment because this could impair the cancer prognosis.

Grade $\frac{3}{4}$ acute mucositis occurs in 41-73% of the patients treated with chemoradiation.

- Basic oral care, antifungal and antibiotics, enteral feeding if indicated, and adequate hydration are the basic treatment.
- Low energy level laser could be useful.

Conclusions and take home message

Cetuximab does not seem to increase the risk of RT mucositis but acute grade 4 dermatitis has been described.

Systemic cutaneous toxicity of anti-Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor inhibitors can be treated depending on the symptoms with

- antiacne or antirosacea cream (erythromycin or clindamycin gel)
- topical corticosteroids,
- antihistaminic if itching,
- oral tetracycline (minocycline 100 mg/day)

Around 60% of the patients will develop long term xerostomia. The incidence of xerostomia could be reduced by IMRT.

Conclusions and take home message

Anemia is also a frequent complication but erythropoiesis-stimulating agents should not be given outside a clinical trial.

Chemotherapy should be administered by an experienced team able to deal with chemotherapy adverse events.

The tobacco and alcoholic co-morbidities are frequent and require also an appropriate management.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY MANAGEMENT

Sino-nasal carcinoma: radiotherapy aspects



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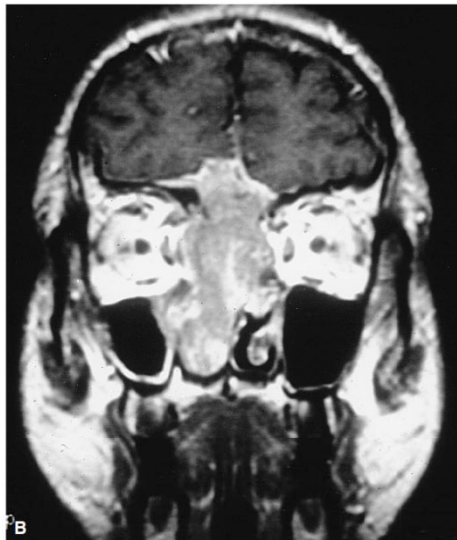
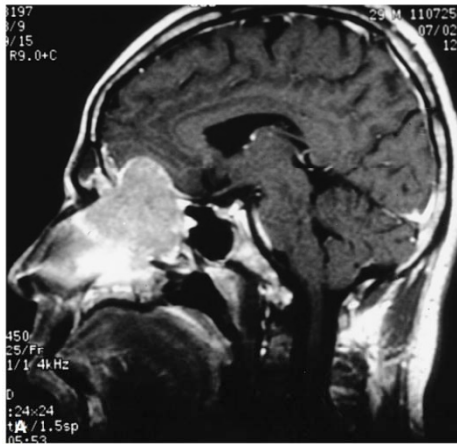
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Sino-nasal carcinoma

Challenges

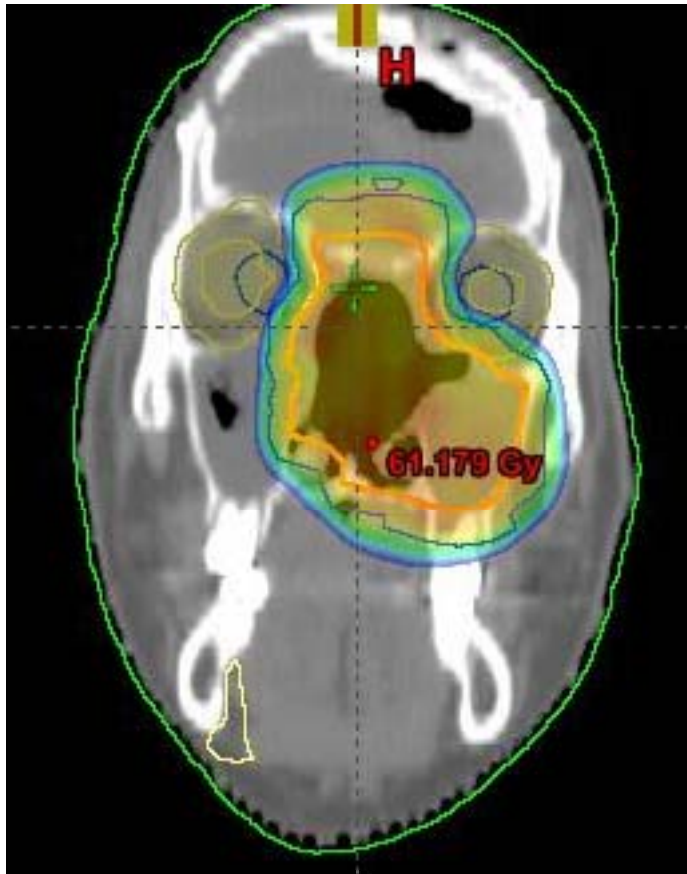


- Rare disease; small series
- Many histological types
- Complex multidisciplinary management
- Local control imperative for survival
- Surgery with secured margins is technically difficult (nerves, skull base, orbita..)
- Many critical structures surrounding the tumor
- High radiation dose needed for radical treatment

Topics

- Role of radiotherapy
- Targets, dose, fractionation
- Elective neck irradiation
- Organs at risk and constraints
- Particle therapy
- Systemic therapy

Role of radiotherapy

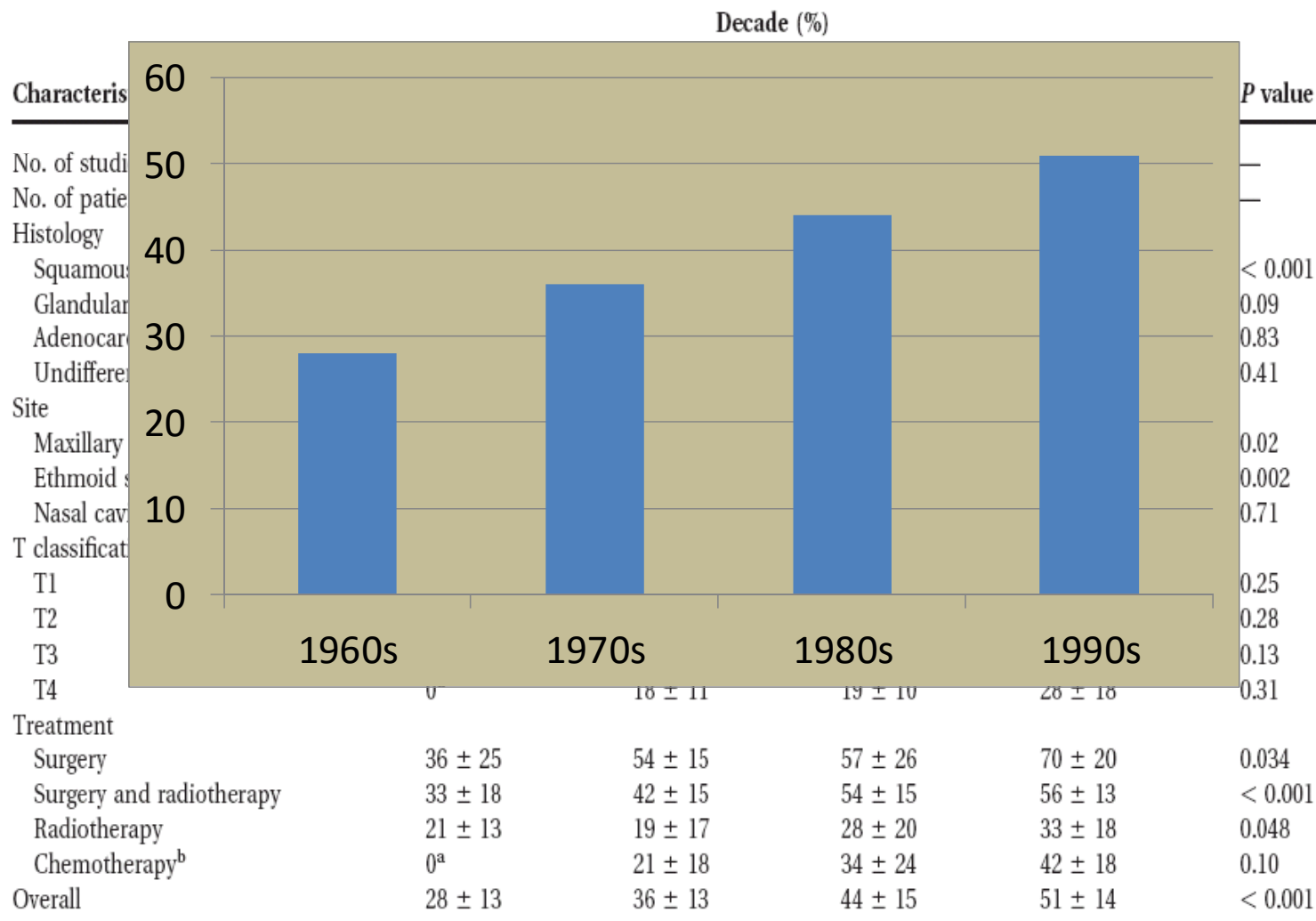


- Role of radiotherapy in sino-nasal carcinoma has never been assessed in randomized trials
- Radiotherapy alone can induce locoregional control rates of 40–50%, but high doses (66+ Gy) needed
- Postoperative radiotherapy is indicated in high risk patients
 - incomplete surgery
 - T2-T4
 - pN+
 - perineural extension

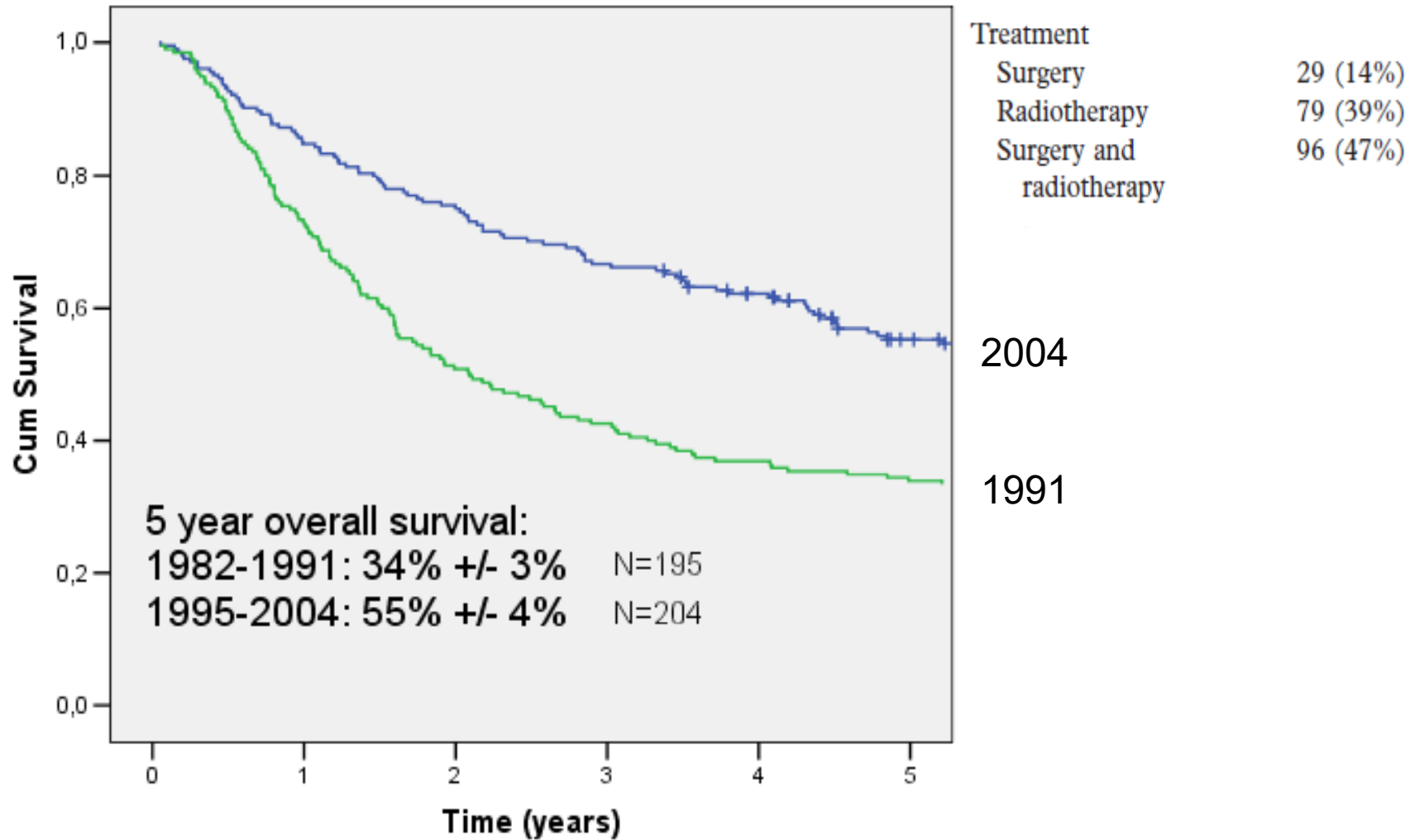
Systematic review – sino-nasal

Dulguerov et al

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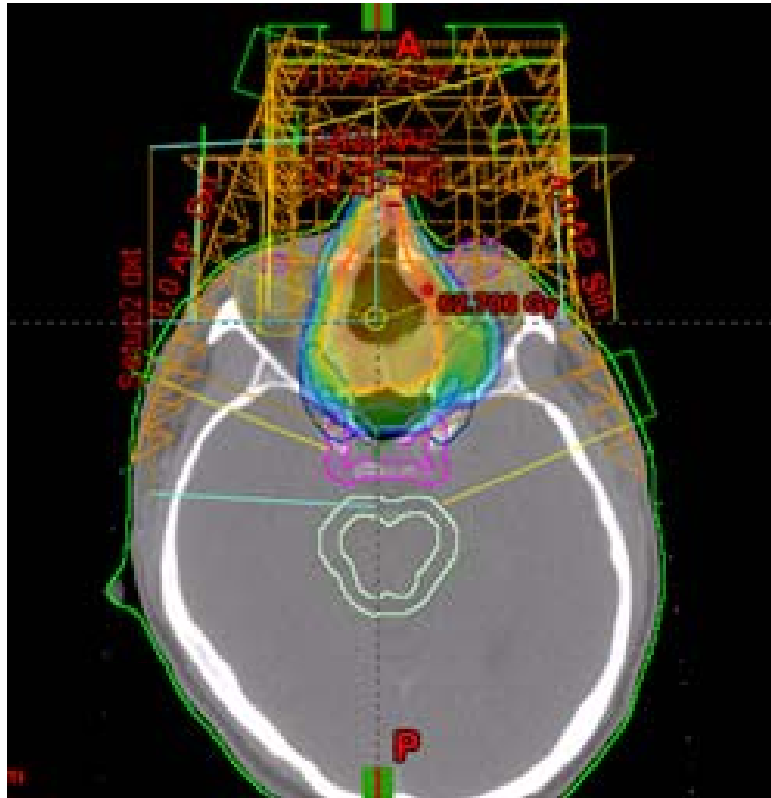


Sino-nasal carcinoma Denmark 1982-1991 vs. 1995-2004



Radiotherapy techniques

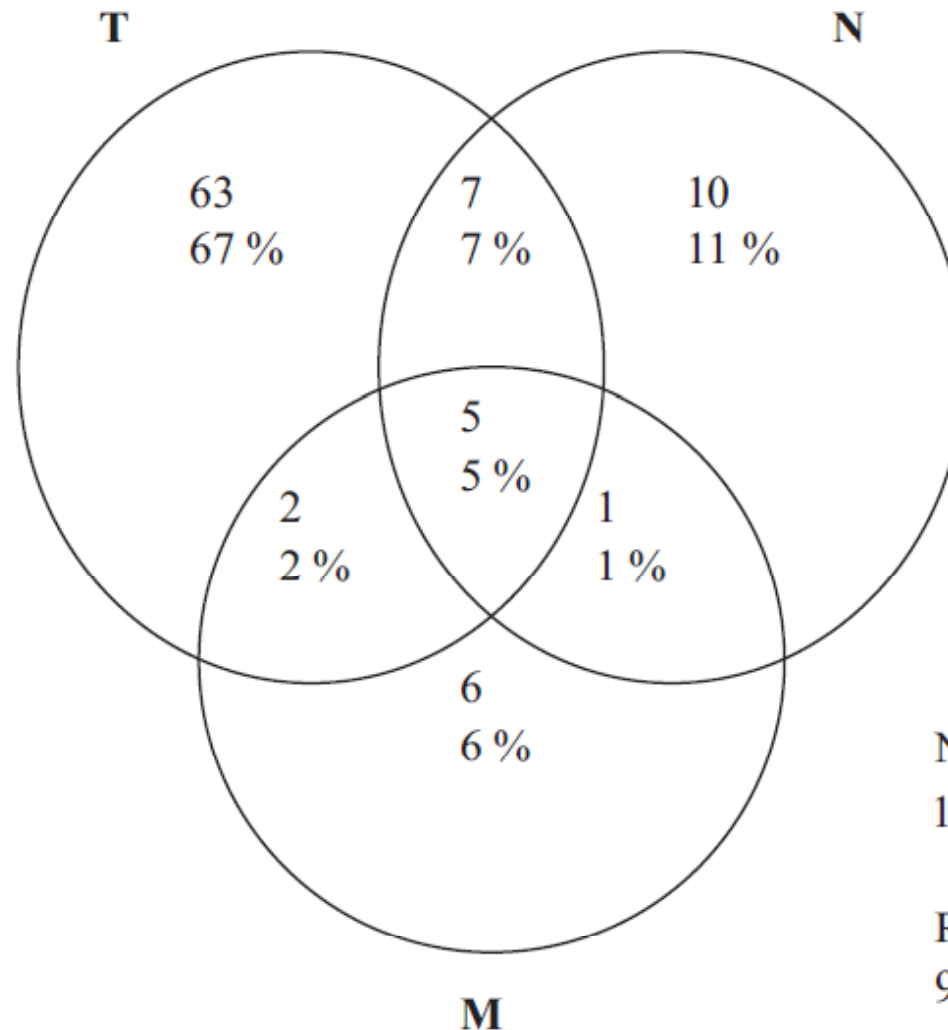
Sino-nasal radiotherapy



- IMRT (or ions) !!!
- 60 Gy (R0)
- 66 Gy (R1-R2)
- 66-70 Gy (primary RT)
- Individualized margins, 0-1 cm, respect bone and other anatomical borders
- Follow route of spread, e.g. nerve (ACC, ONB)
- Involve surgeon when contouring

Elective neck irradiation?

Failure pattern



No recurrence:
110 (54%)

Recurrences:
94 (46%)

Elective neck irradiation

- The risk of initial subclinical spread to neck nodes is relatively low
- Elective neck radiotherapy is recommended for
 - patients with initial N-positive disease
 - if primary tumor invades oral cavity, pharynx or skin
 - +? (emerging evidence..)
- If elective RT is indicated:
 - include levels Ib, II, and III (+facial nodes).
 - If the nasopharynx is involved, levels I–V should be included
- Unilateral neck irradiation can be used for maxillary tumors not involving the midline

Organs at risk

- Optic nerves
- Chiasm
- Temporal lobes
- Cochlea
- Nasolacrimal duct & lacrimal gland
- Lens
- Retina
- Brainstem
- Salivary glands
- ..

Constraints

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| | OAR (Gy) | PRV (Gy) |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|
| Spinal cord | 45 | 50 |
| Brainstem | 54 | 60 |
| Optic chiasm | 54 | 60 |
| Optic nerve | 54 | 60 |
| Posterior eye | 45 | 50 |
| Anterior eye | 30 | 35 |
| Inner ear | 54 45 | 60 50 |

Parotid gland: mean dose \leq 26 Gy; Larynx: 2/3 of total volume should be kept below 50 Gy

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the DAHANCA website. The browser's address bar displays <https://www.dahanca.oncology.dk/IndexPage>. The website's navigation menu includes 'Dahanca', 'Til fagfolk', 'Organisation', 'Links', 'Bliv bruger', and 'Login'. A dropdown menu is open under 'Til fagfolk', listing 'Guidelines', 'Protokol', 'Forms', 'Publications', and 'DATHYRCA'. The main heading reads 'Danish Head and Neck Cancer Group'. A red vertical bar on the left side of the page contains the following labels: 'ABSOLUTE', 'Brain', 'Spinal', 'MUST', 'Anterior junction gland', 'Chiasm nerve', and 'Posterna'. The contact information section provides details for the DAHANCA secretariat at Aarhus University Hospital. A prominent red announcement states: 'Næste DAHANCA møde 2-3 september - 40 års jubilæumsmøde (i trekantsområdet)'. Below this, several links are provided for national guidelines and reports, including 'Nationale retningslinjer for mundhulekræft 2016', 'Opfølgingsprogram for Hoved- og Halskræft, februar 2015', 'Nationale retningslinjer for thyroideacancer 2016', and 'Årsrapport 2014 (Dahanca - RKKP)'. At the bottom, links for 'DAHANCA 32' and 'DAHANCA 31' are visible. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows various application icons.

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Priorities and penalties

1. Critical normal tissues, potentially lethal complication

- Spinal cord
- Brain stem

2. Target coverage

- GTV
- CTV1

3. Critical serial normal tissues

- Anterior eye
- Chiasm
- Posterior eye and optic nerve
- Cochlea

4. Target coverage

- PTV1
- PTV2
- PTV3

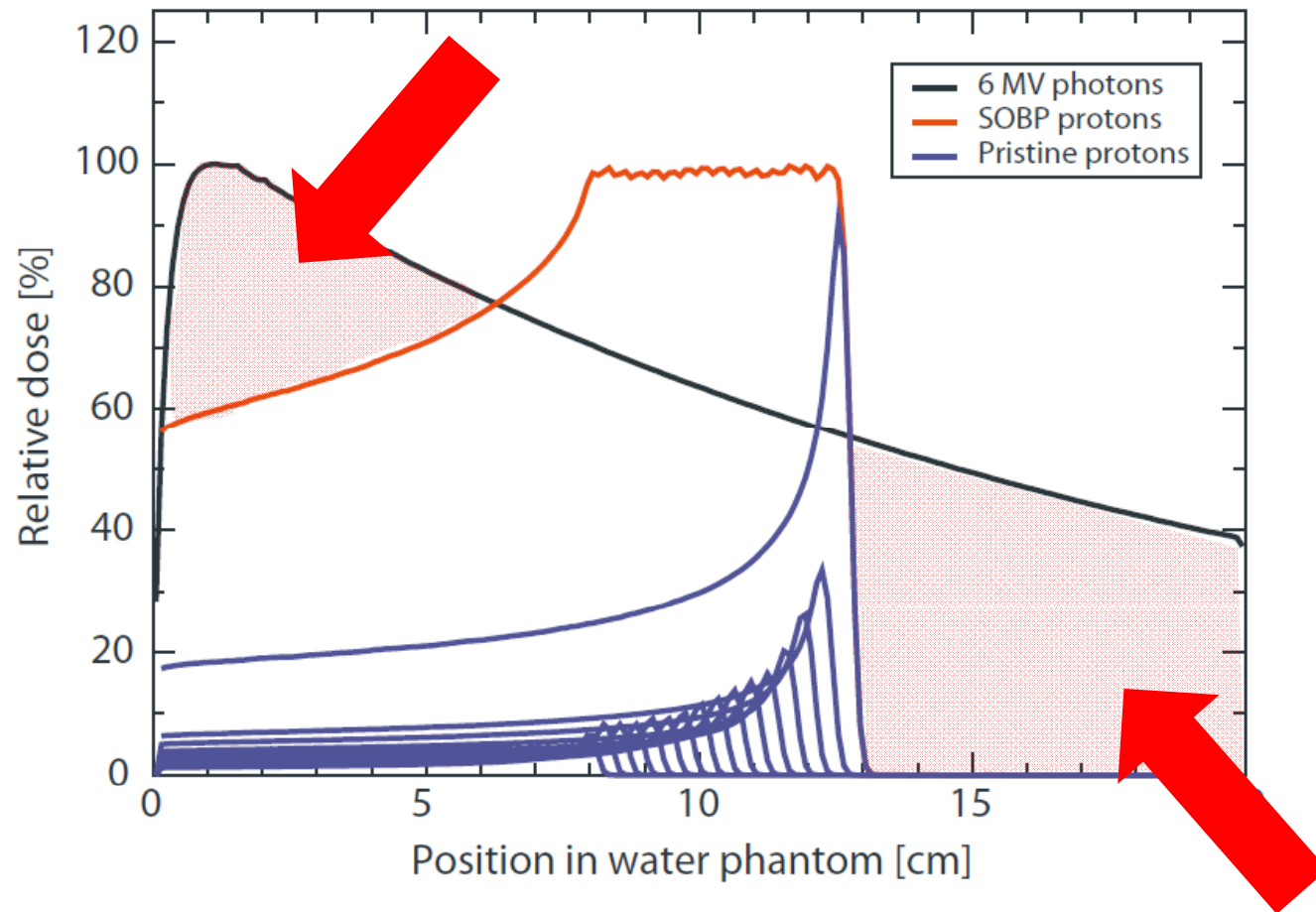
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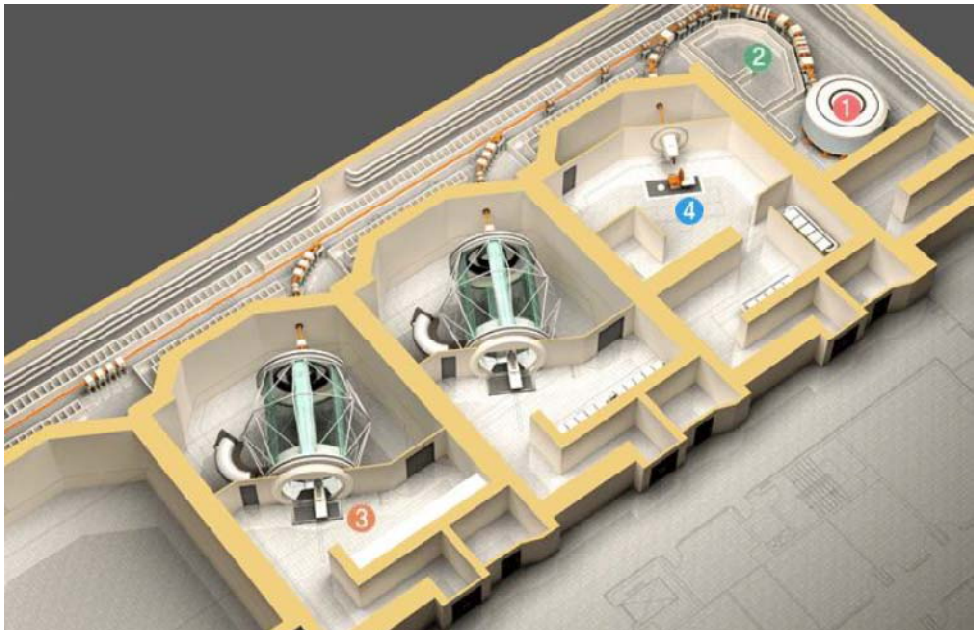
- Brain
- Contralateral parotid
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- Ipsilateral parotid gland
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- Thyroid gland
- Pituitary gland

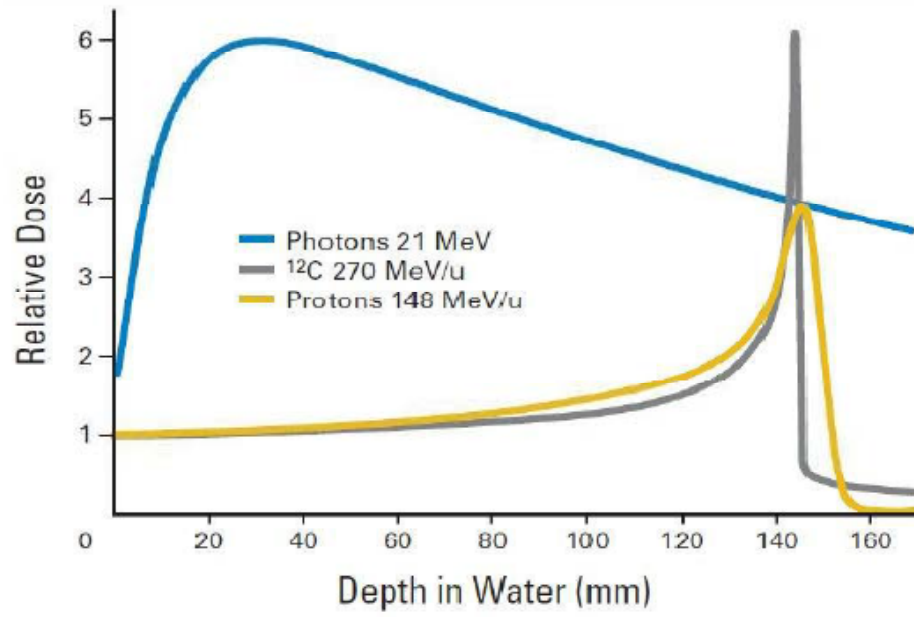
Particle therapy

Proton, carbon

Particle therapy – Bragg Peak







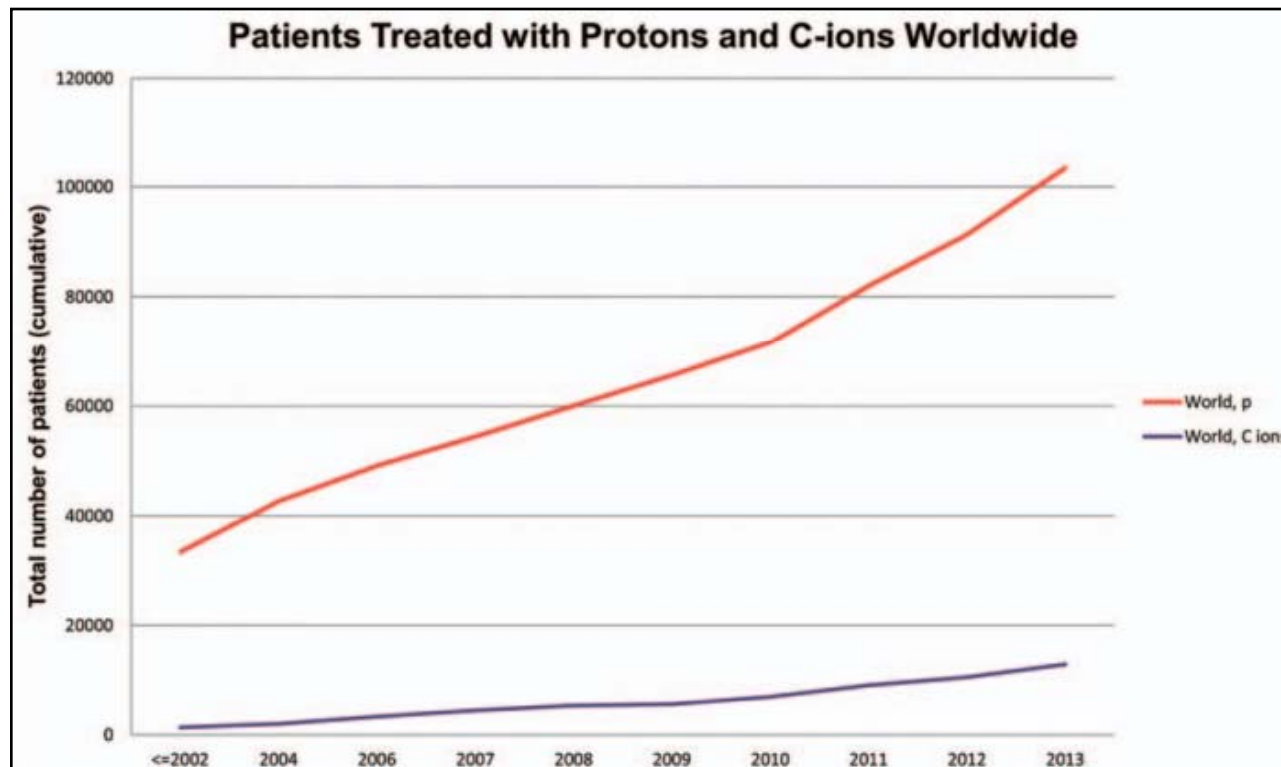
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Particle therapy facilities

- 54 facilities in operation worldwide
- More than 130.000 patients treated



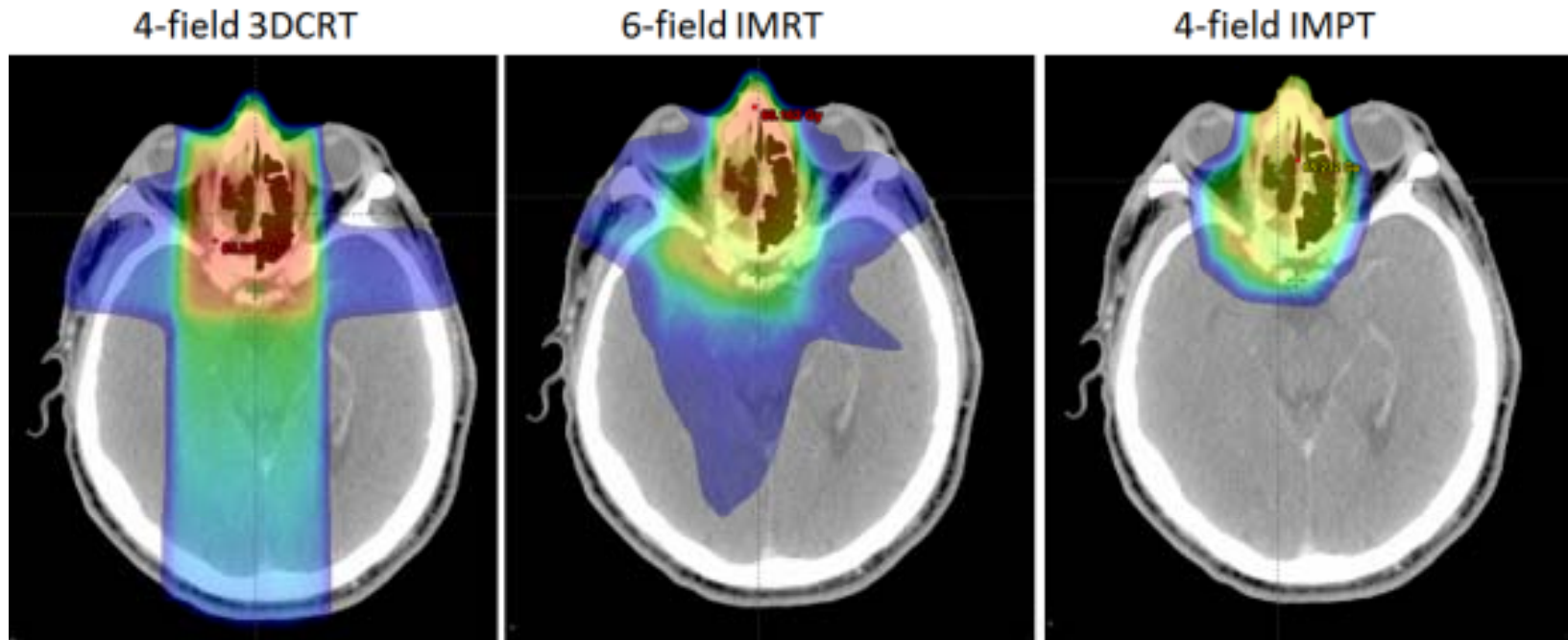
Indications for particle therapy

1. Reduce serious complications



- 1. especially relevant for tumours near the CNS*
- 2. reduce secondary cancer risk, especially in children and adolescents*

2. Dose escalation and increased tumor control



Patients for proton therapy - DK

| Category A | Antal |
|--|-------------|
| Intraocular melanoma | 9 |
| Skull-base cordoma/chondrosarcoma | 12 |
| Meningeoma | 18 |
| AVM | 12 |
| Medulloblastoma | 12 |
| Reirradiation | 94 |
| Paediatric cases (excl. medulloblastoma) | 36 |
| Pituitary adenoma | 7 |
| total | 200 |
| Category B | |
| Nasopharynx/ sino-nasal cancer | 30 |
| Head and neck cancer (other) | 100 |
| Sarcoma | 24 |
| Oesophageal cancer | 80 |
| Rectal cancer | 100 |
| Breast cancer | 100 |
| Thymoma | 8 |
| Lung cancer | 250 |
| Gynaecological cancer | 30 |
| Glioma | 30 |
| Liver tumours | 40 |
| Mesothelioma | 10 |
| Prostate cancer | 86 |
| Malignant lymphoma | 12 |
| Pancreatic cancer | 50 |
| Palliation | 50 |
| total | 1000 |

Fractionated proton radiation therapy of chordoma and low-grade chondrosarcoma of the base of the skull

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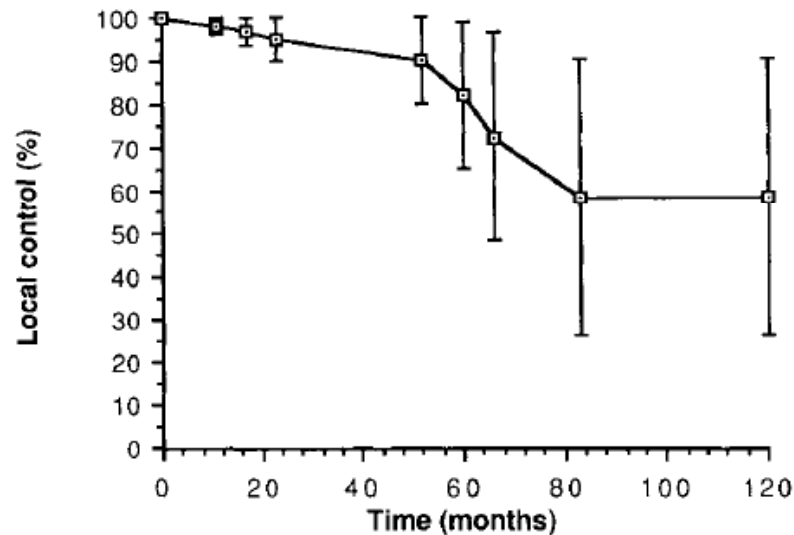


FIG. 2. Curve showing the actuarial local control rates for 68 patients with chordomas or low-grade chondrosarcomas at the base of the skull. This curve extends to 120 months.

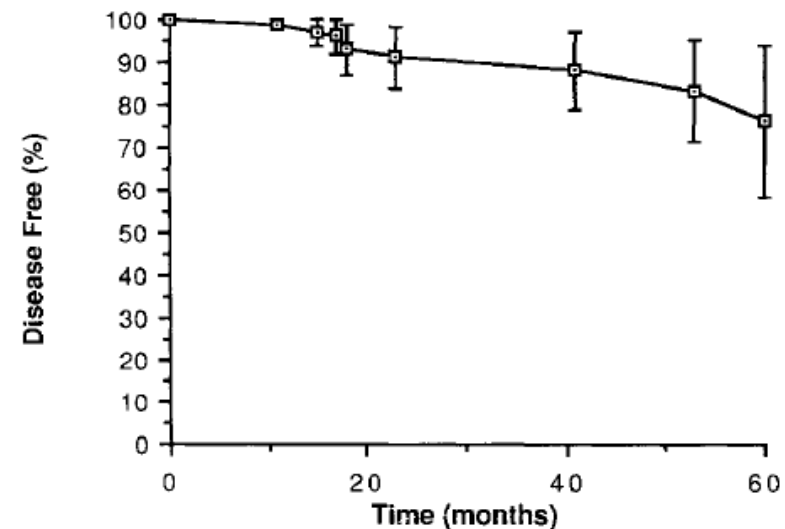
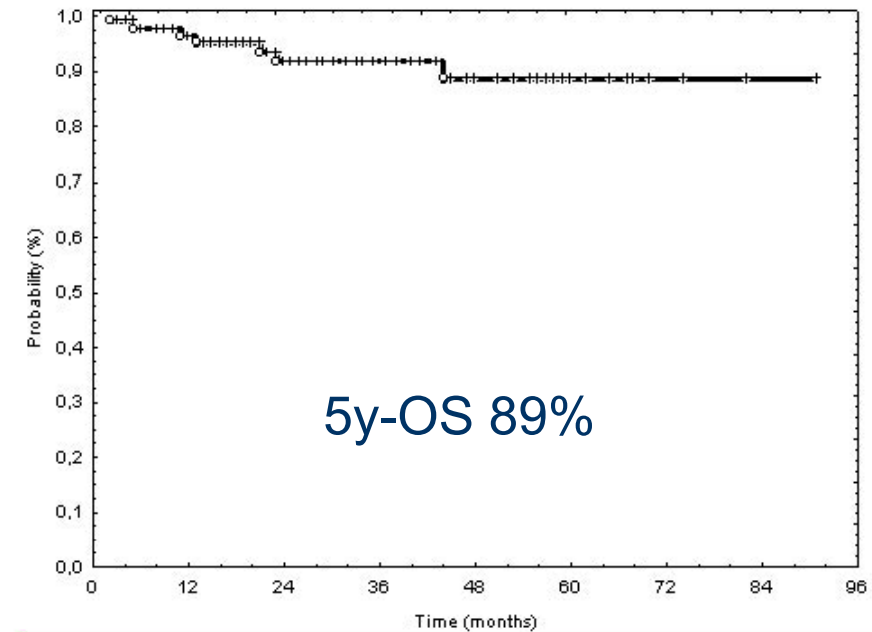
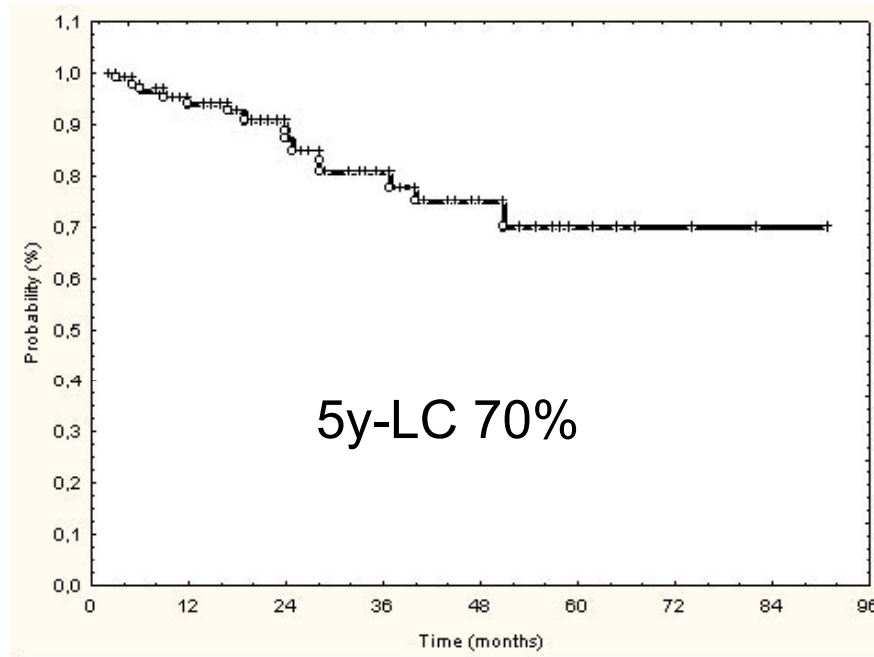


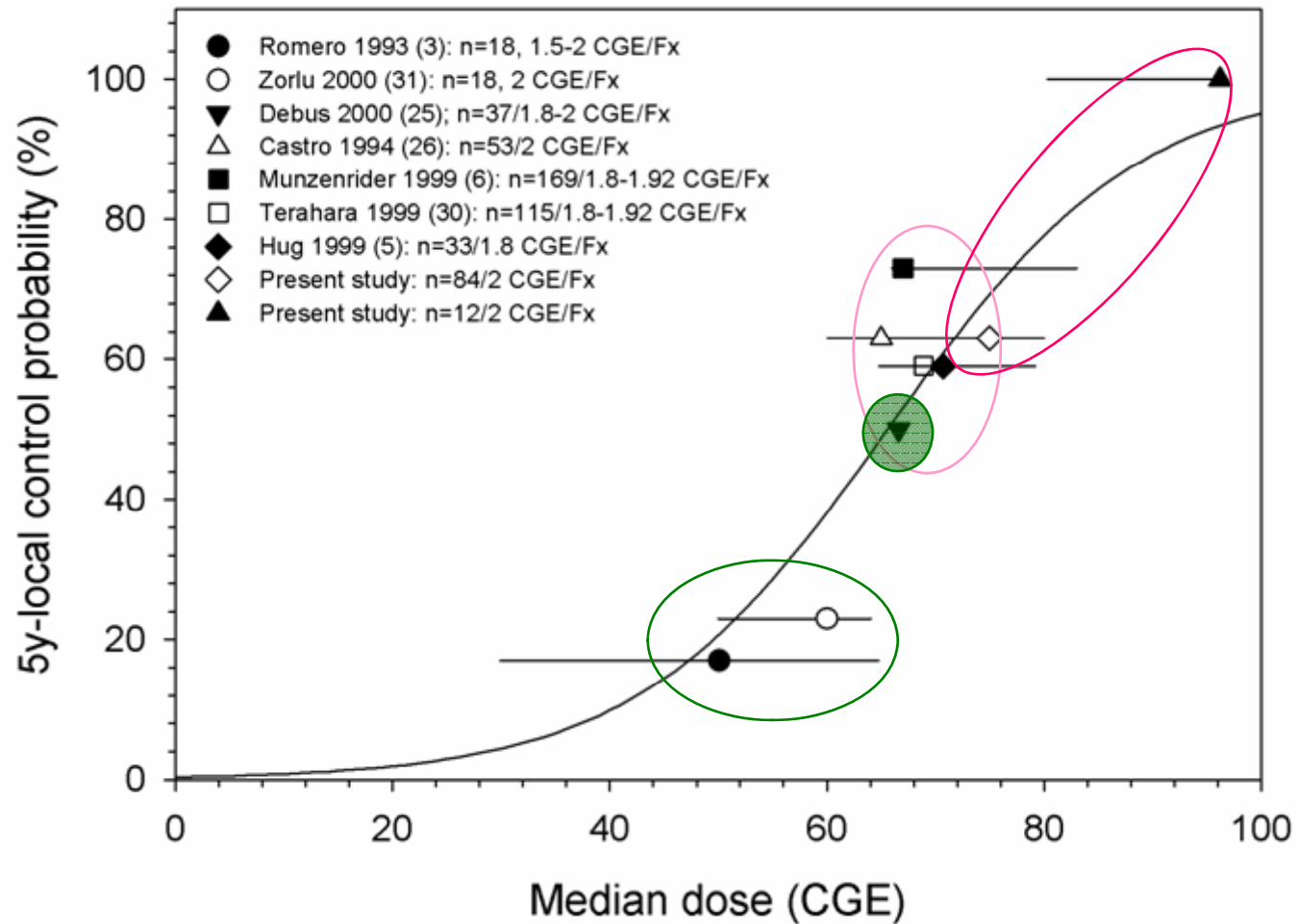
FIG. 3. Curve showing the actuarial disease-free survival rates for 68 patients with chordomas or low-grade chondrosarcomas at the base of the skull. This curve extends to 60 months.

Carbon ions in skull base chordomas

96 patients with chordomas of the skull base treated with carbon ion radiation therapy (RT) (GSI) in Darmstadt, Germany 1998-2005,



Dose escalation with carbon ions?



[Schulz-Ertner, IJROBP 2007]

Two Phase III Randomized Studies Heidelberg

Skull Base Chordoma (HIT1-study):

- comparison of proton and carbon ion radiotherapy: 21 x 3GyE carbon vs 36 x 2 GyE proton

Skull Base Chondrosarcoma (HIT2-study):

- comparison of proton and carbon ion radiotherapy 20 x 3 GyE carbon vs 35 x 2 GyE proton

Systemic therapy

- Most studies of chemotherapy are retrospective, and no randomized studies have been performed
- Response rates for induction therapy with e.g. cisplatin and 5-FU of up to 70%
- The effect of chemotherapy on locoregional control, distant metastases, and survival is still unresolved (except SNUC and SNEC)
- Systemic therapy during RT should be used with caution – unexpected toxicity and complications may occur when intensive multimodality regimens are used in this anatomical area
- Studies on the effect of other systemic therapies as antibodies, tyrosine kinase inhibitors, and radiosensitizers are ongoing and results awaited

Summary – RT key points

- Postoperative radiotherapy is indicated in
 - high risk patients, after incomplete surgery, T2-T4, pN+ or perineural extension (ACC)
- Doses of 60–70 Gy should be applied to the CTV, preferably with IMRT or particle beam, in order to reduce mean and max dose to OARs significantly.
- Carbon ion protocols are ongoing (skull base chordoma /chondrosarcomas)
- Elective nodal irradiation is indicated in N+ patients, or in case of involvement of pharynx, oral cavity, or skin
- Induction and concomitant chemotherapy should be considered in clinical trials, or in selected cases, e.g. sinonasal undifferentiated carcinoma (SNUC)



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SINONASAL CANCER

EPIDEMIOLOGY

Review

Cancer Epidemiology

The International Journal of Cancer Epidemiology, Detection, and Prevention

International comparisons of the incidence and mortality of sinonasal cancer

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Henrik Møller^d, Lin Fritschi^b, Peter D. Baade^a

2013

- 0.1-0.2% of all cancers
- Incidence: 5-9 per million for males, 2-5 per million for females
- Epithelial cancers are the commonest (SCC, ADC)
- Most frequent sites are nasal cavity and maxillary sinus
- Occupational risk factors: wood and leather dust, nickel, radium-226/228 and their decay compounds, and acids used in isopropyl alcohol production (second most important cancer site for occupational attribution after mesothelioma)
- **Mortality** rate is 0.5-3.3 per million; it has been decreasing **worldwide in the last 40 years**

SINONASAL CANCER



World Health Organization Classification of Tumours

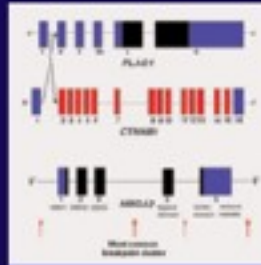
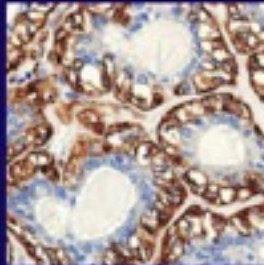
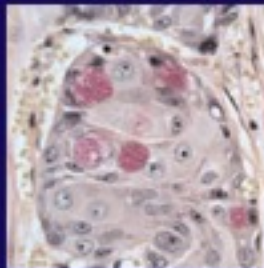


Pathology & Genetics

Head and Neck Tumours

Edited by Leon Barnes, John W. Eveson, Peter Reichart, David Sidransky

WHO Classification Head and Neck Tumours



| | | | |
|--|--------|---|--------|
| Malignant epithelial tumours | | | |
| Squamous cell carcinoma | 8070/2 | Benign tumours | |
| Verrucous carcinoma | 8051/2 | Myxoma | 8840/0 |
| Papillary squamous cell carcinoma | 8052/2 | Lipomyoma | 8890/0 |
| Basaloid squamous cell carcinoma | 8063/2 | Haemangioma | 9120/0 |
| Spindle cell carcinoma | 8074/2 | Schwannoma | 9560/0 |
| Adenosquamous carcinoma | 8560/2 | Neurofibroma | 9540/0 |
| Acantholytic squamous cell carcinoma | 8075/2 | Meningioma | 9530/0 |
| Lymphoepithelial carcinoma | 8082/2 | | |
| Sinonasal undifferentiated carcinoma | 8020/2 | Tumours of bone and cartilage | |
| Adenocarcinoma | | Malignant tumours | |
| Intestinal-type adenocarcinoma | 8144/2 | Chondrosarcoma | 9220/2 |
| Non-intestinal-type adenocarcinoma | 8140/2 | Mesenchymal chondrosarcoma | 9240/2 |
| Salivary gland-type carcinomas | | Osteosarcoma | 9180/2 |
| Adenoid cystic carcinoma | 8200/2 | Chordoma | 9370/2 |
| Acinic cell carcinoma | 8560/2 | Benign tumours | |
| Mucoepidermoid carcinoma | 8430/2 | Giant cell lesion | |
| Epithelial-myoepithelial carcinoma | 8562/2 | Giant cell tumour | 9250/1 |
| Clear cell carcinoma N.O.S. | 8210/2 | Chondroma | 9220/0 |
| Myoepithelial carcinoma | 8982/2 | Osteoma | 9180/0 |
| Carcinoma ex pleomorphic adenoma | 8941/2 | Chondroblastoma | 9220/0 |
| Polymorphous low-grade adenocarcinoma | 8525/2 | Chondromyxoid fibroma | 9241/0 |
| Neuroendocrine tumours | | Osteochondroma (exostosis) | 9210/0 |
| Typical carcinoid | 8240/2 | Osteoid osteoma | 9191/0 |
| Atypical carcinoid | 8249/2 | Osteoblastoma | 9200/0 |
| Small cell carcinoma, neuroendocrine type | 8041/2 | Ameloblastoma | 9210/0 |
| | | Nasal chondromesenchymal hamartoma | |
| Benign epithelial tumours | | Haematolymphoid tumours | |
| Sinonasal papillomas | | Extranodal NK/T cell lymphoma | 9719/2 |
| Inverted papilloma | | Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma | 9680/2 |
| (Schneiderian papilloma, inverted type) | 8121/1 | Extramammary plasmacytoma | 9734/2 |
| Oncocytic papilloma | | Extramammary myeloid sarcoma | 9930/2 |
| (Schneiderian papilloma, oncocytic type) | 8121/1 | Histiocytic sarcoma | 9755/2 |
| Exophytic papilloma | | Langerhans cell histiocytosis | 9751/1 |
| (Schneiderian papilloma, exophytic type) | 8121/0 | Neuroectodermal | |
| Salivary gland-type adenomas | | Ewing sarcoma | 9260/2 |
| Pleomorphic adenoma | 8940/0 | Primitive neuroectodermal tumour | 9264/2 |
| Myoepithelioma | 8982/0 | Olfactory neuroblastoma | 9522/2 |
| Oncocytoma | 8290/0 | Melanotic neuroectodermal tumour of infancy | 9263/0 |
| | | Mucosal malignant melanoma | 8720/2 |
| Soft tissue tumours | | Germ cell tumours | |
| Malignant tumours | | Immature teratoma | 9080/2 |
| Fibrosarcoma | 8810/2 | Teratoma with malignant transformation | 9084/2 |
| Malignant fibrous histiocytoma | 8830/2 | Sinonasal yolk sac tumour (endodermal sinus tumour) | 9071/2 |
| Lipomyosarcoma | 8900/2 | Sinonasal teratocarcinosarcoma | |
| Rhabdomyosarcoma | 8900/2 | Mature teratoma | 9080/0 |
| Angiosarcoma | 9120/2 | Demoid cyst | 9084/0 |
| Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumour | 9540/2 | Secondary tumours | |
| Borderline and low malignant potential tumours | | | |
| Desmoid-type fibromatosis | 8821/1 | | |
| Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumour | 8825/1 | | |
| Glomangiopericytoma | | | |
| (Sinonasal-type haemangiopericytoma) | 9150/1 | | |
| Extrapleural solitary fibrous tumour | 8815/1 | | |

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SINONASAL CANCER



Knowledge of the behaviour is the key

SINONASAL CANCER

HISTOLOGY

High-grade tumors

SNUC

SNEC

Ewing Sarcoma

Poorly differentiated carcinoma

Melanoma

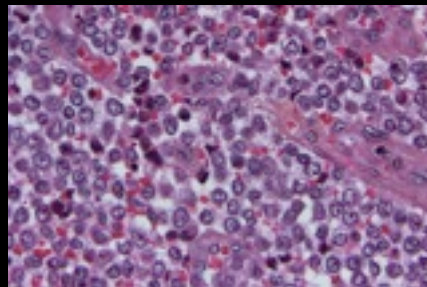
ITAC G3 / Ring cells

Adenoid cystic carcinoma G3

ONB III-IV

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Intermediate-grade tumors

Adenoid cystic carcinoma G1/G2

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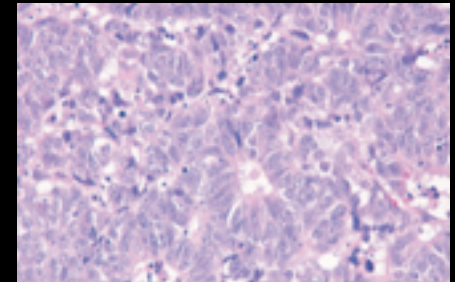
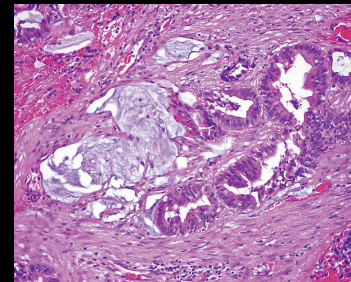
Distant metastasis



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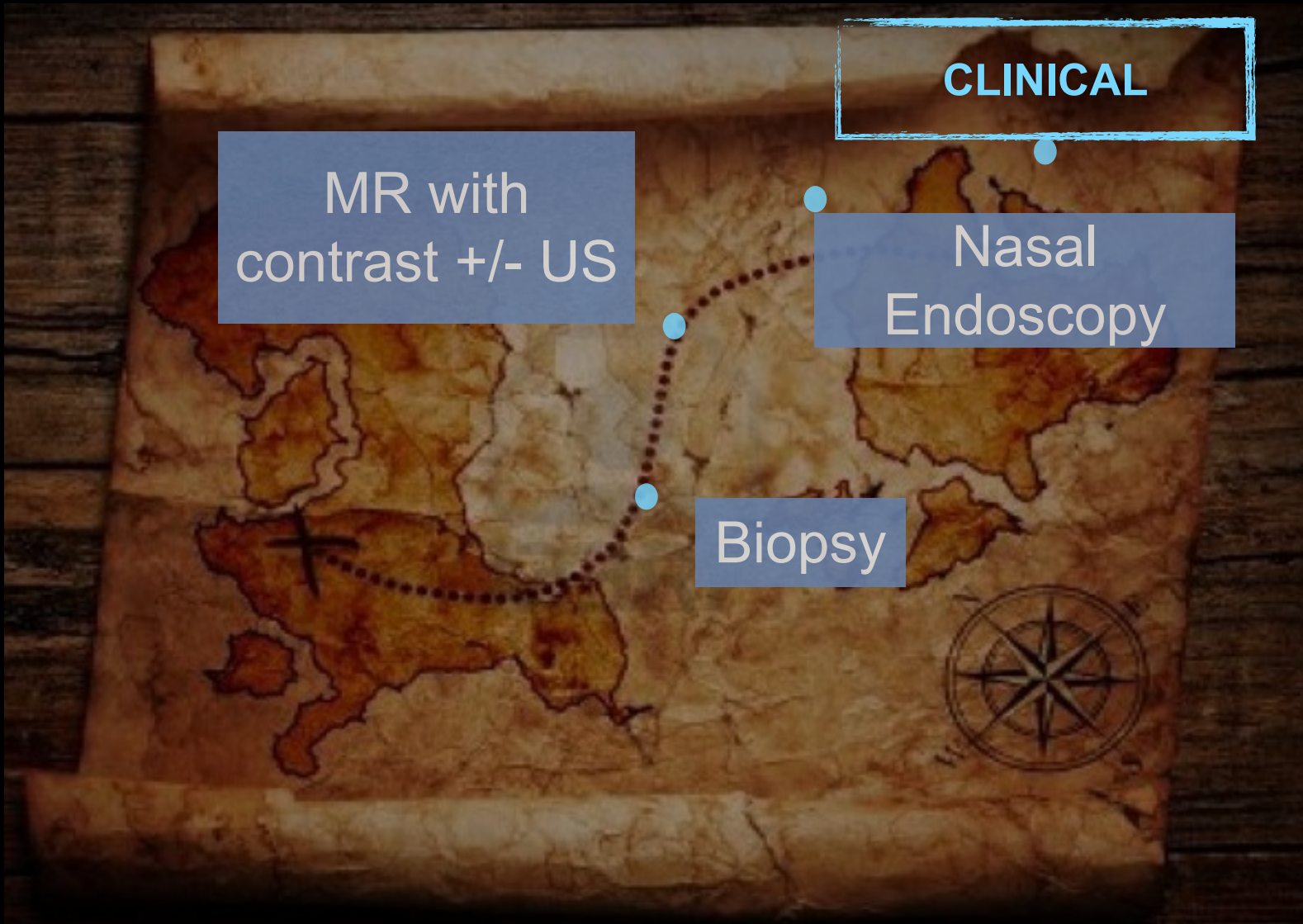
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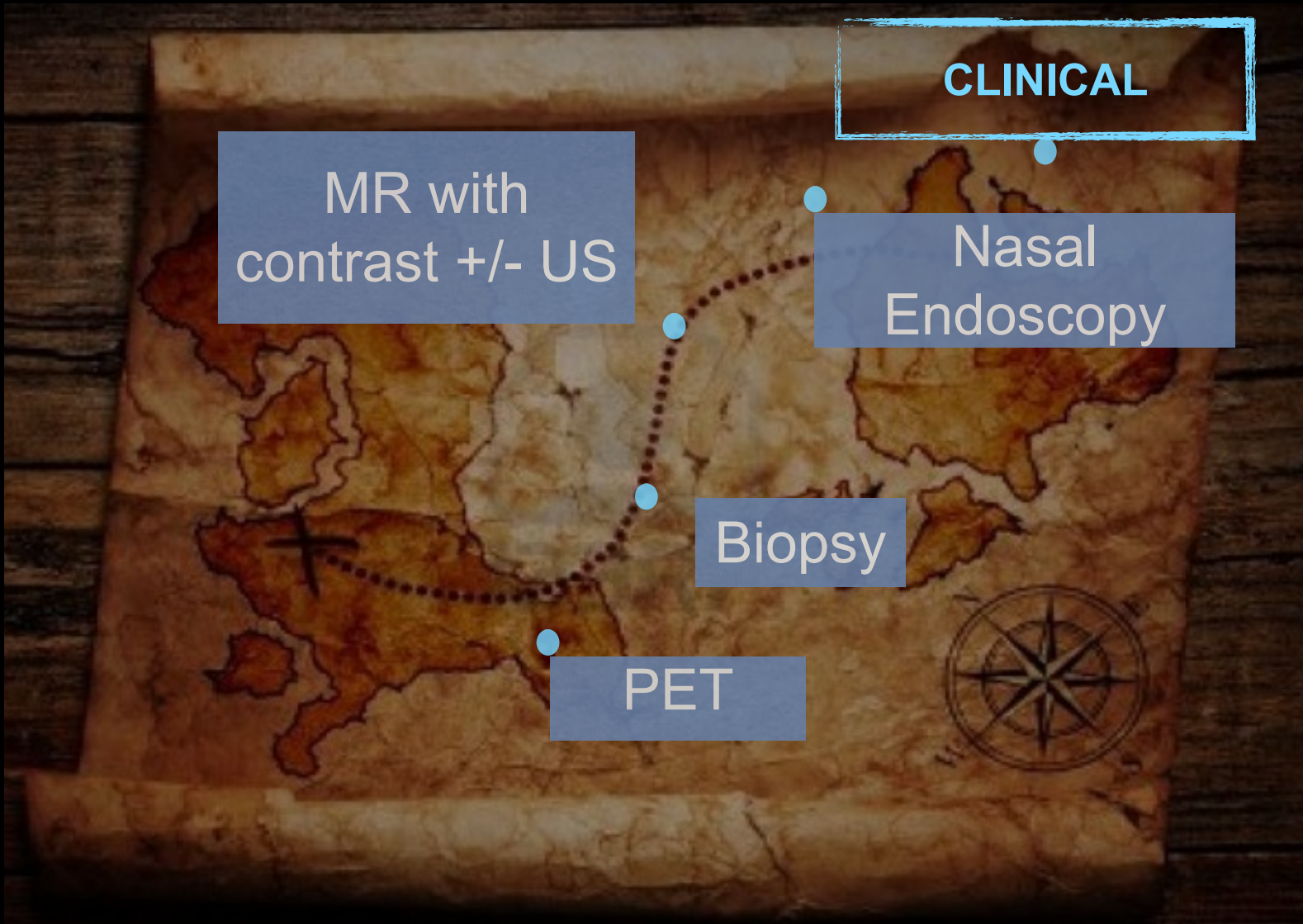
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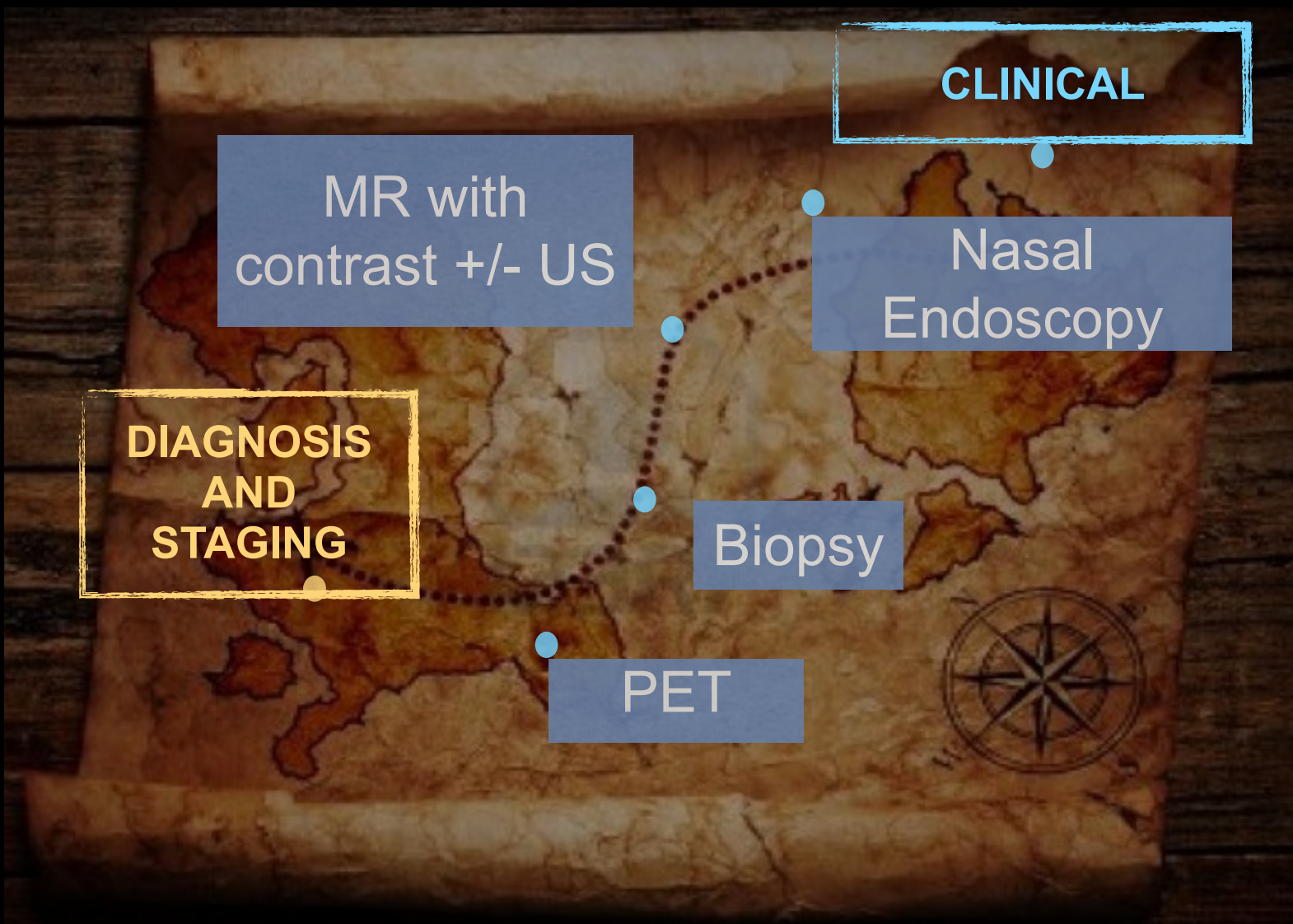
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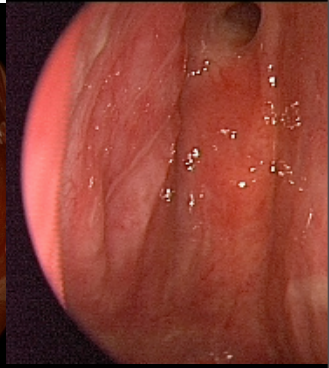
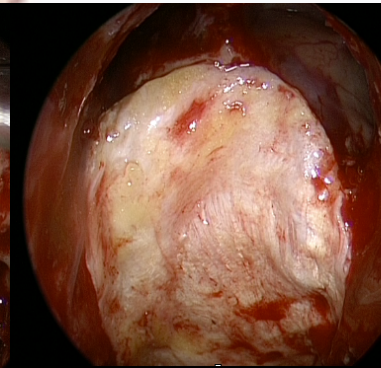
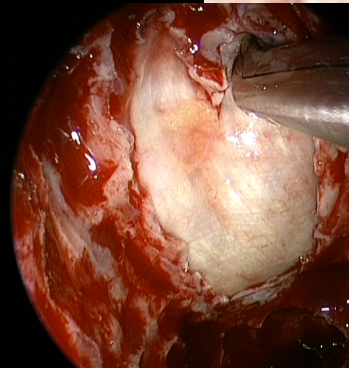
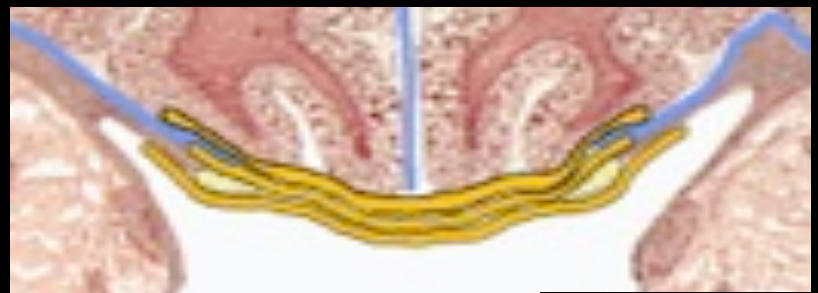
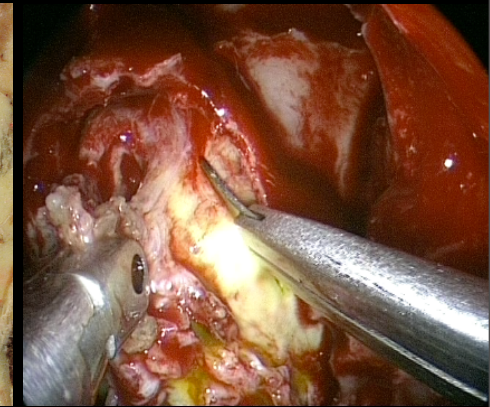
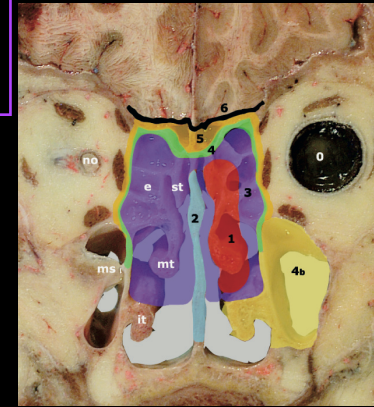
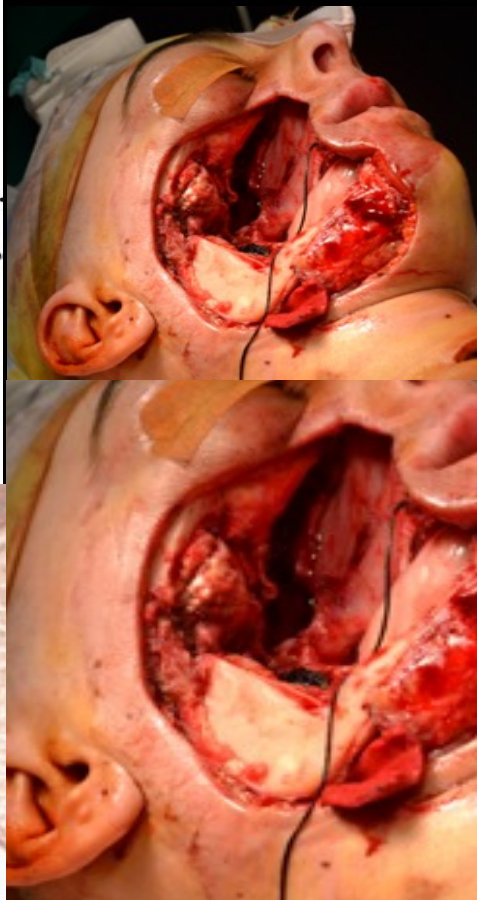
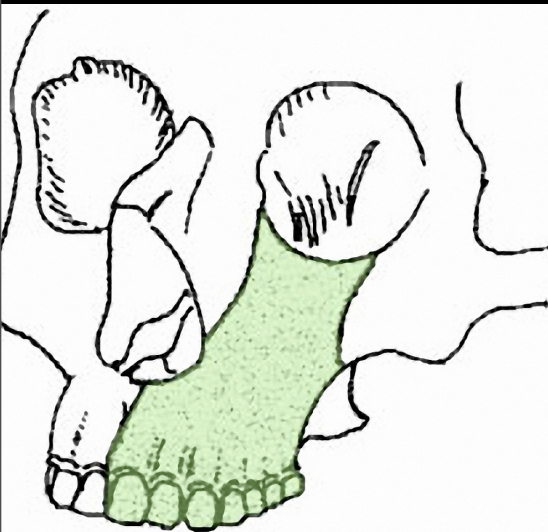
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Different diseases

Maxillary sinus

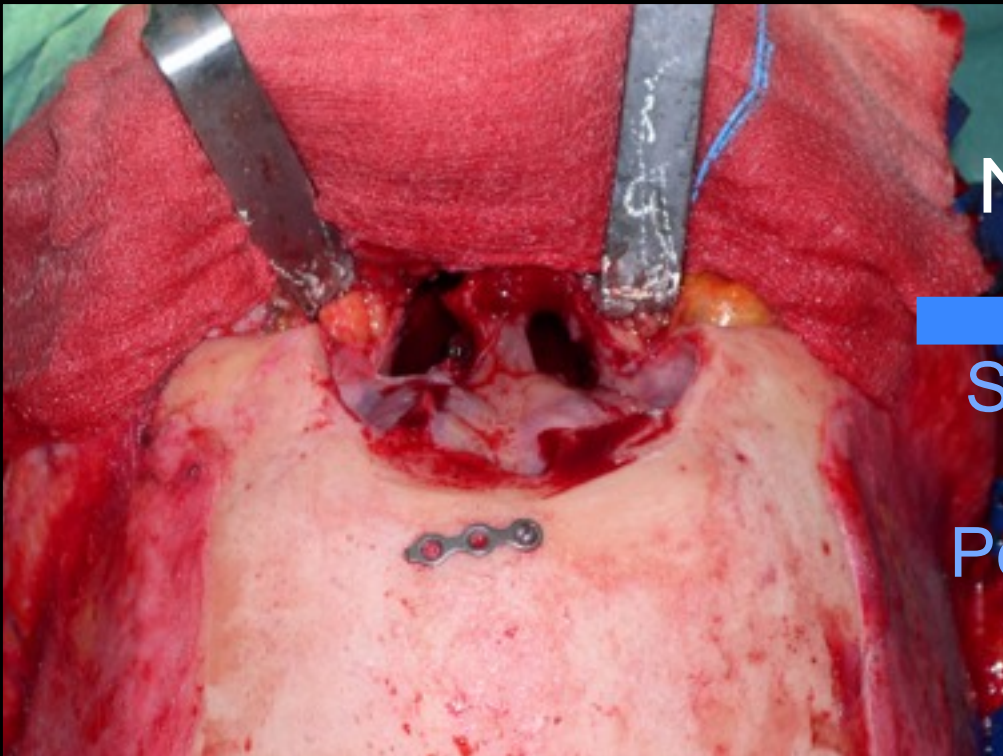
Naso-ethmoid

Different surgical approaches



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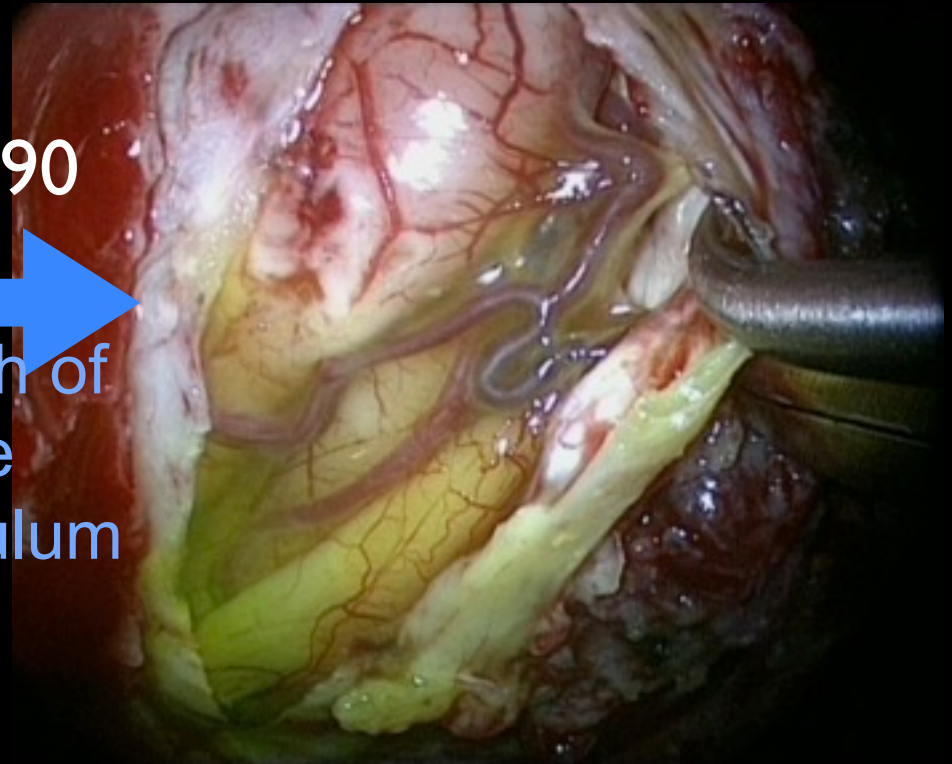
Naso-ethmoidal tumors



Mid '90



Switch of
the
Pendulum



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Naso-ethmoidal tumors

Endoscopic resection of malignant tumors of the nose and sinuses

Valerie Lund, M.S.,* David J. Howard, M.D.,* and William I. Wei, M.D.#

2007

Endoscopic surgery for malignant tumors of the sinonasal tract and adjacent skull base: A 10-year experience

Piero Nicolai, M.D.,* Paolo Battaglia, M.D.,# Maurizio Bignami, M.D.,# Andrea Bolzoni Villaret, M.D.,* Giovanni Delù, M.D.,# Tarek Khrais, M.D.,§ Davide Lombardi, M.D.,* and Paolo Castelnuovo, M.D.#

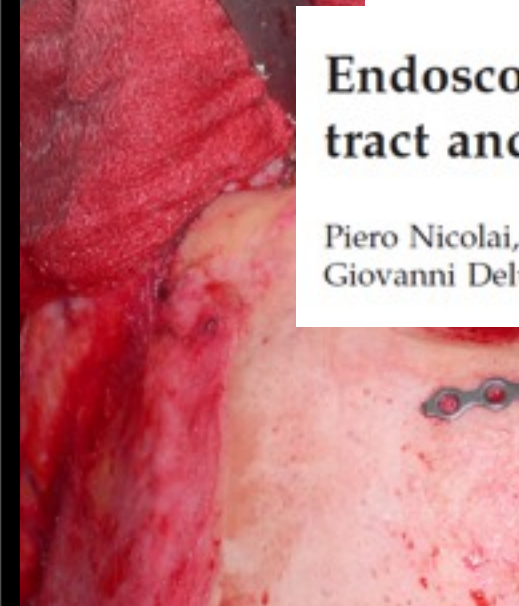
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Endoscopic Resection of Sinonasal Cancers With and Without Craniotomy

Oncologic Results

Ehab Hanna, MD; Franco DeMonte, MD; Samer Ibrahim, MD;
Dianna Roberts, PhD; Nicholas Levine, MD; Michael Kupferman, MD

2009



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Naso-ethmoidal tumors



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TUMORS OF THE NASO-ETHMOID

endonasal endoscopic resection (EER)

endoscopic resection with transnasal craniectomy (ERTC)

multiportal approaches (transorbital, sublabial)

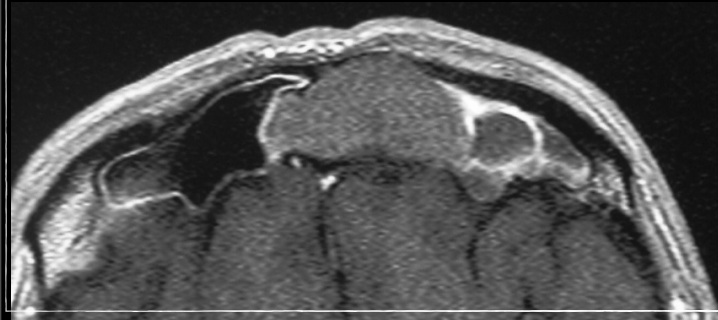
cranio-endoscopic resection (CER)

PINK FLOYD - THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON

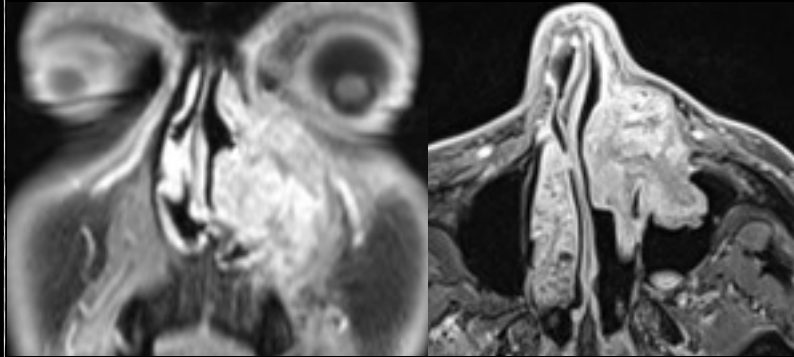
NASO-ETHMOID CANCER

Contraindications for endoscopic surgery

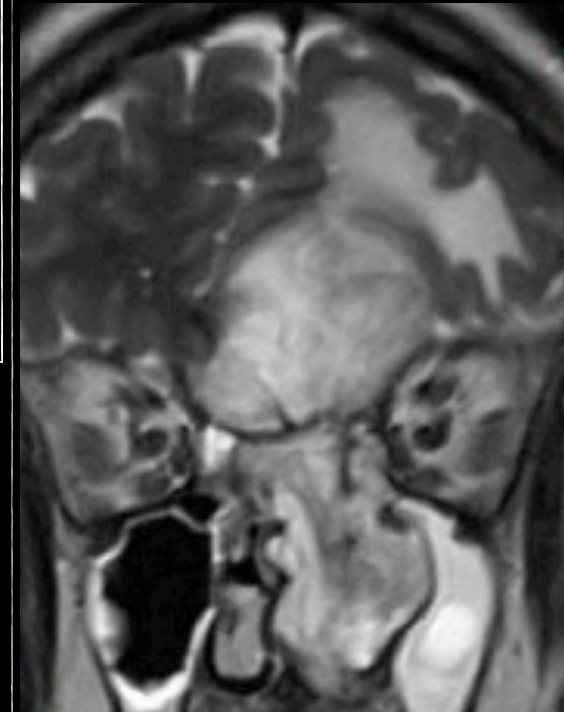
Involvement of the anterior wall/lateral portion of frontal



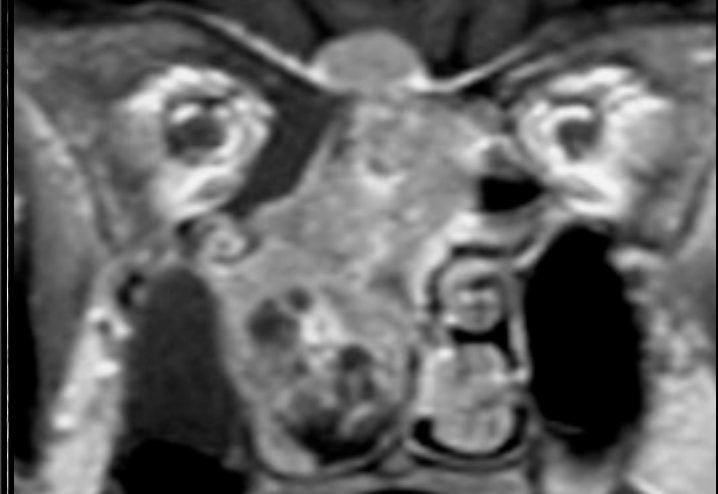
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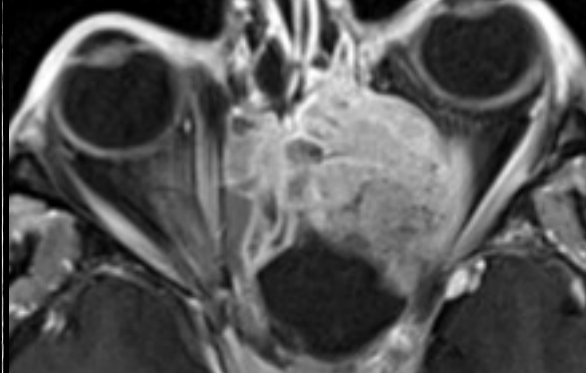
Massive transdural



Dural involvement over the



Invasion of the orbital



SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

Tumor debulking

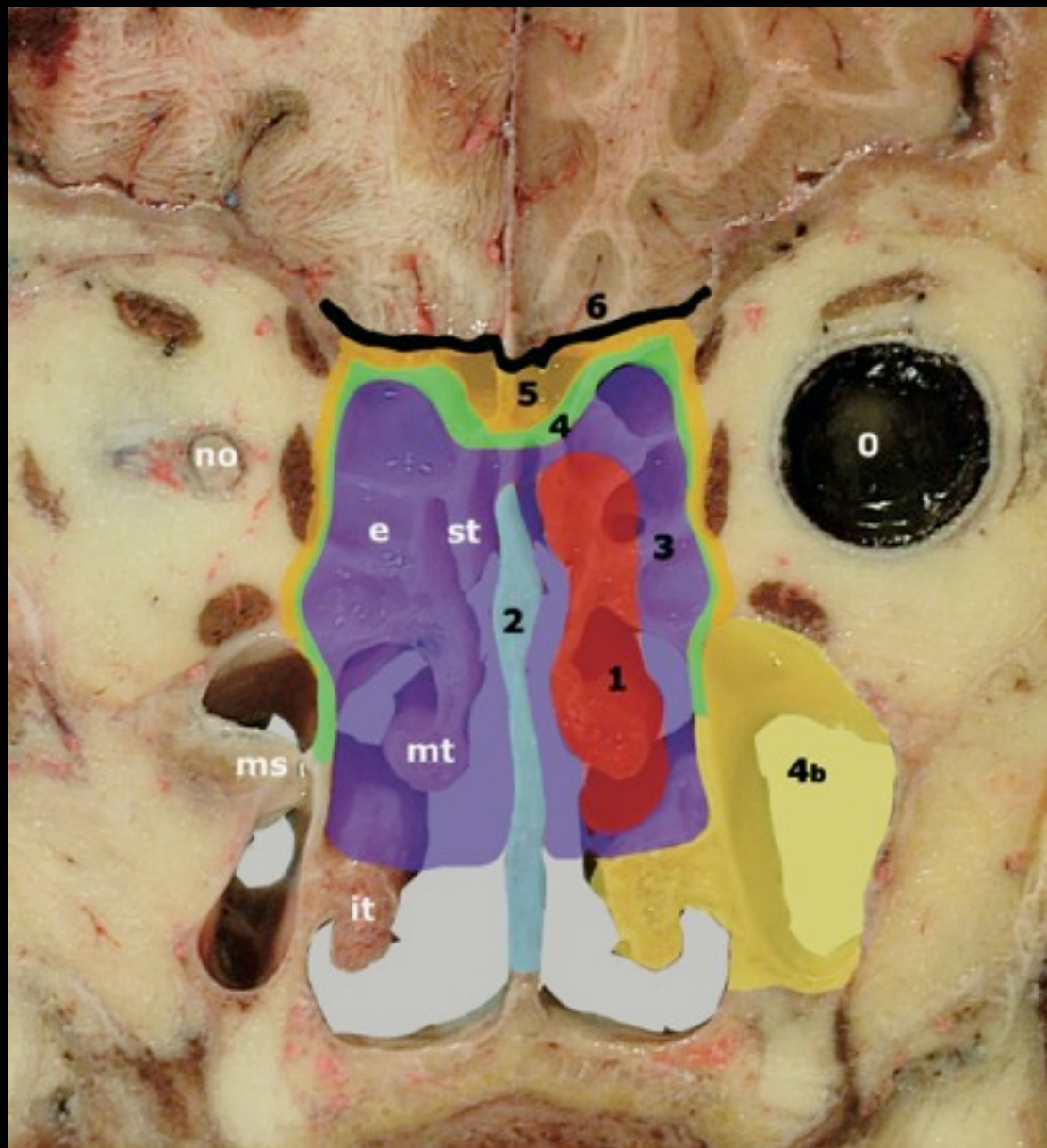
Septal resection

Centripetal removal with subperiosteal resection (Draf III + median sphenoidotomy)

Removal of bone in contact with the tumor (skull base, lamina papyracea)

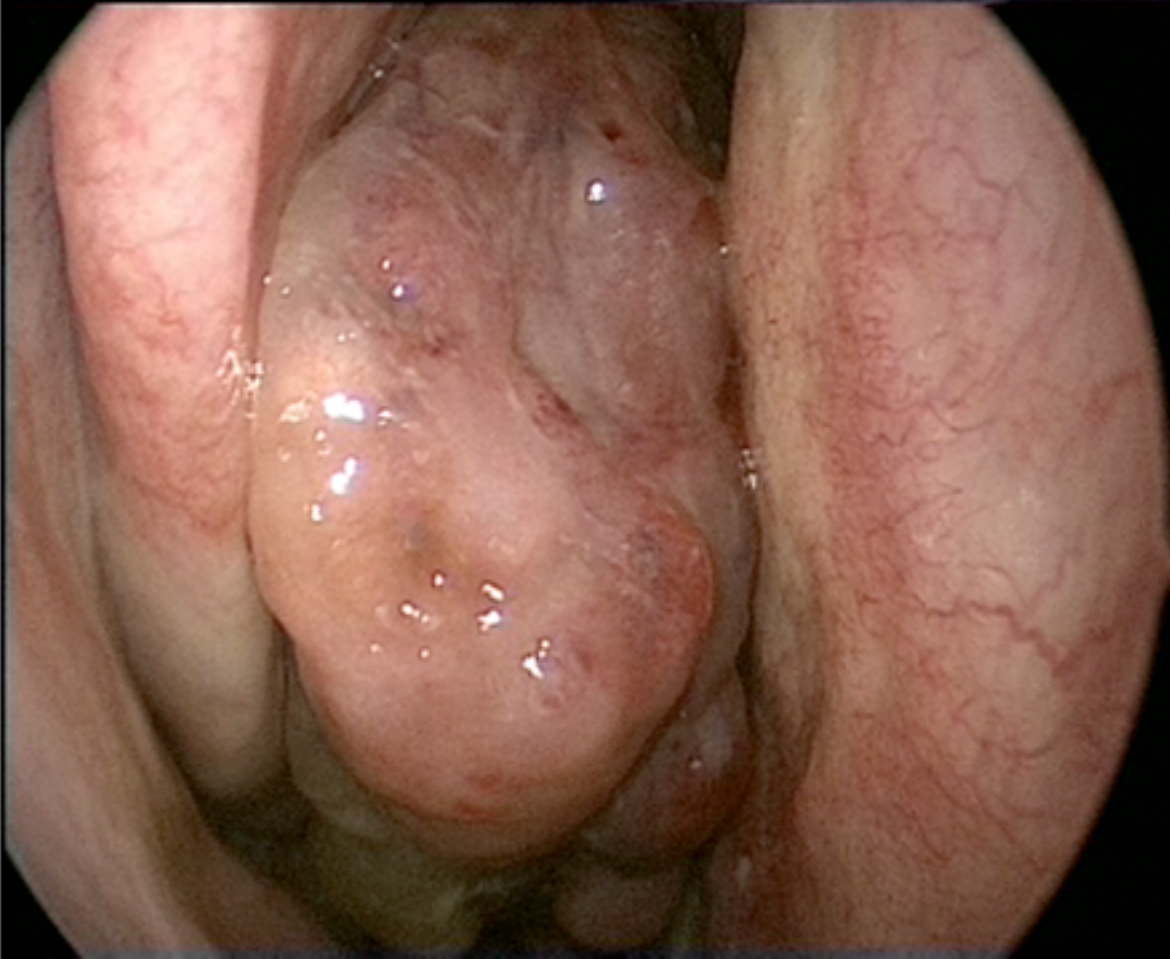
Removal of periorbita, dura, olfactory bulb(s)

Duraplasty and skull base reconstruction



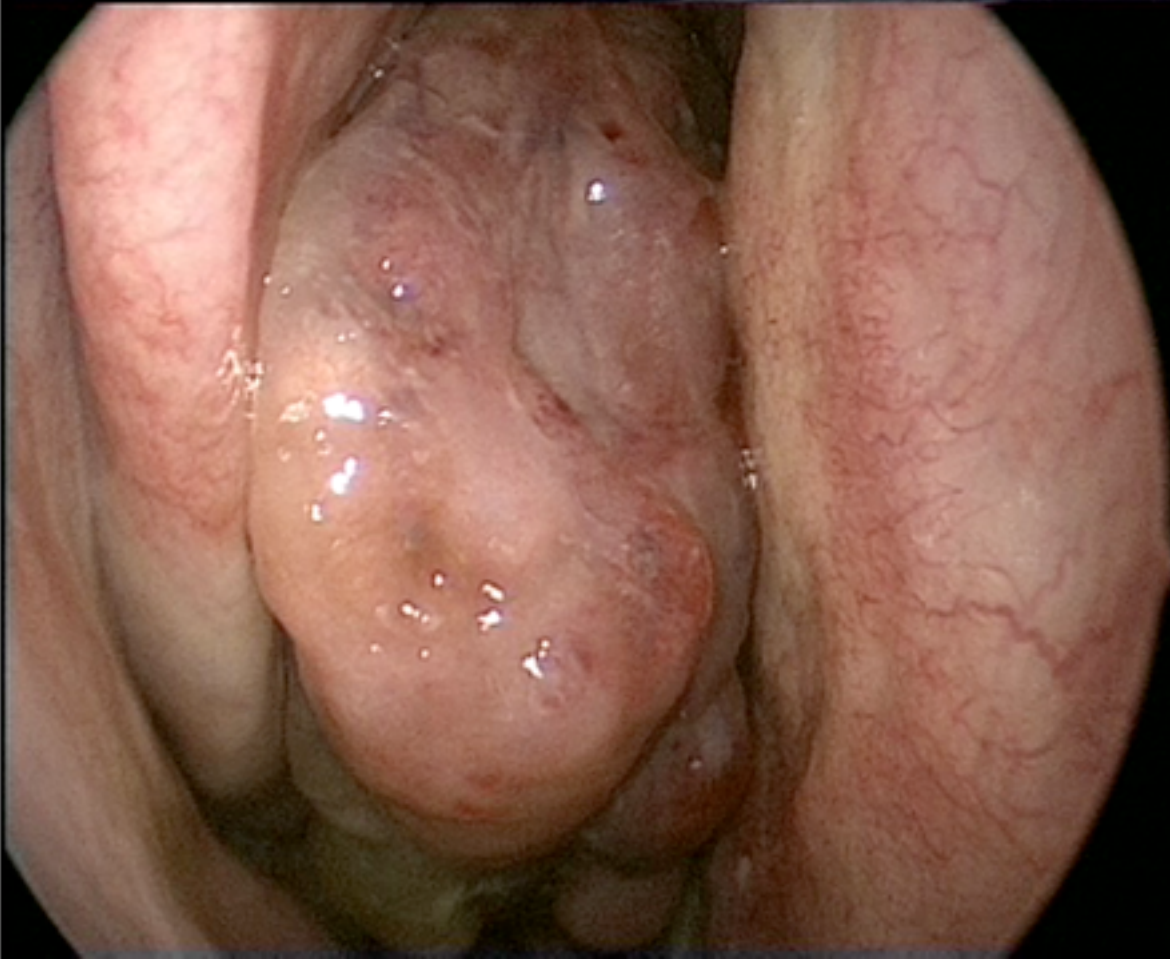
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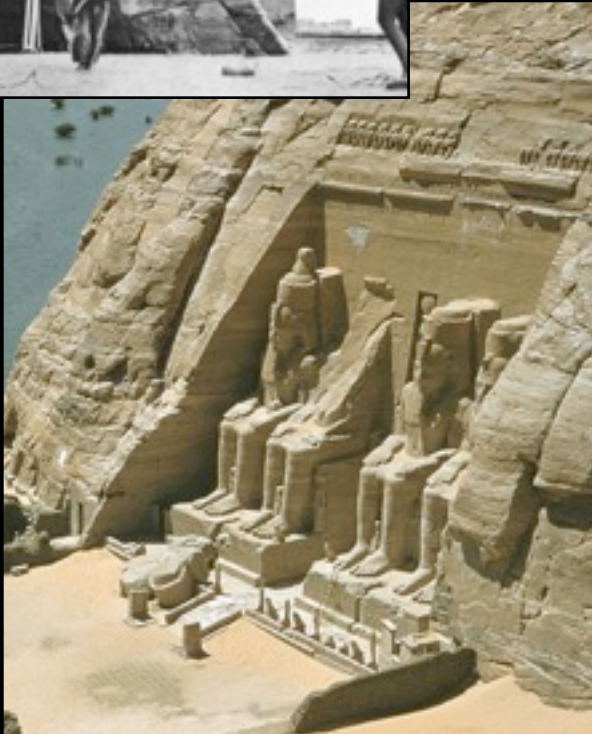


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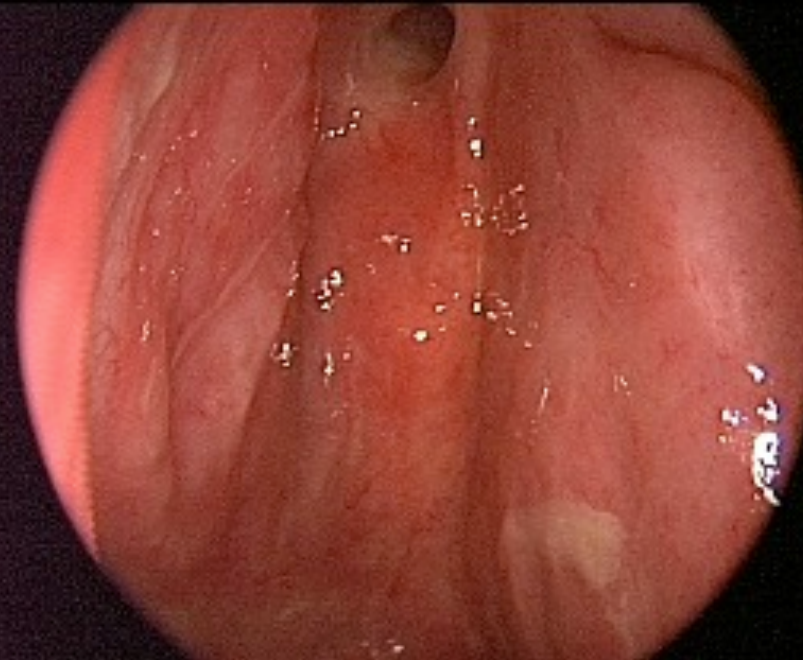
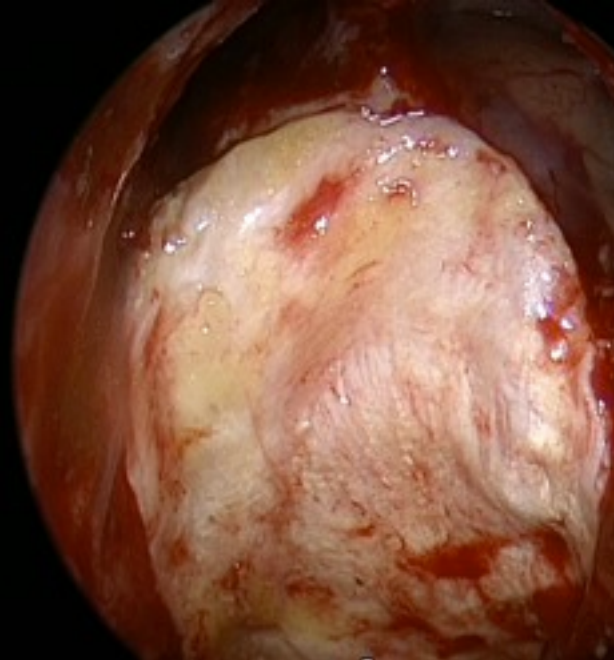
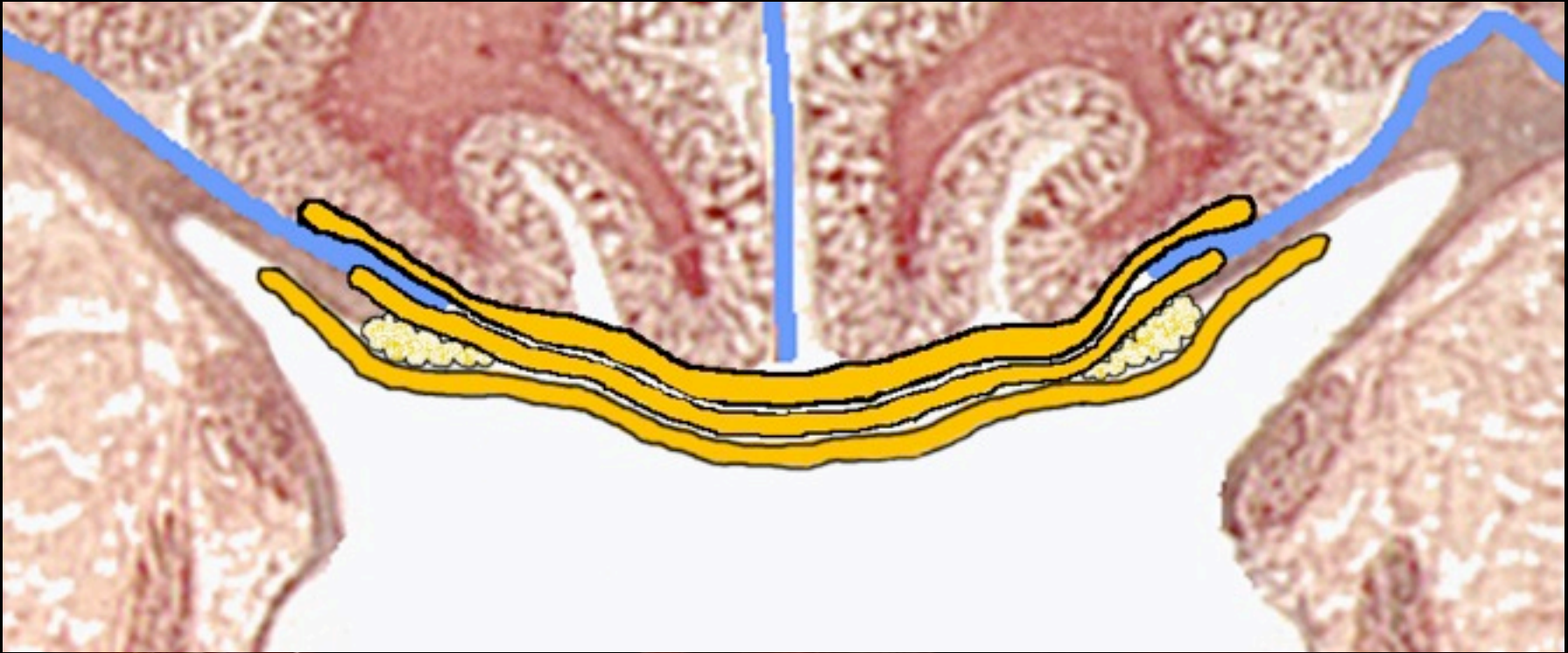
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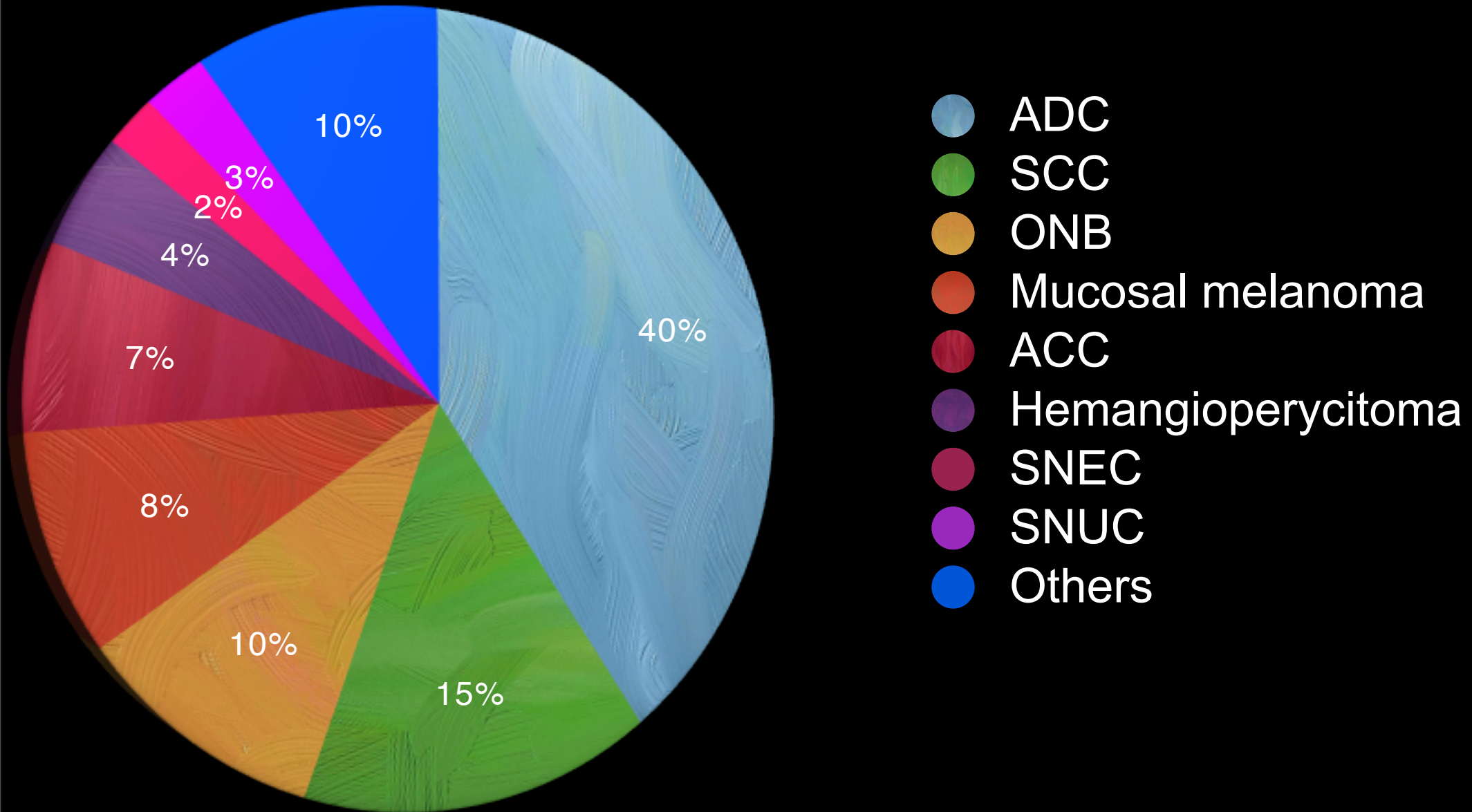
*Two surgical
teams with the
same philosophy*



1996-2011: 387 pts
Mean age=61.1 years
(range 4-89),
M/F=1.97/1
Mean follow-up=56
months
(range 12-196)

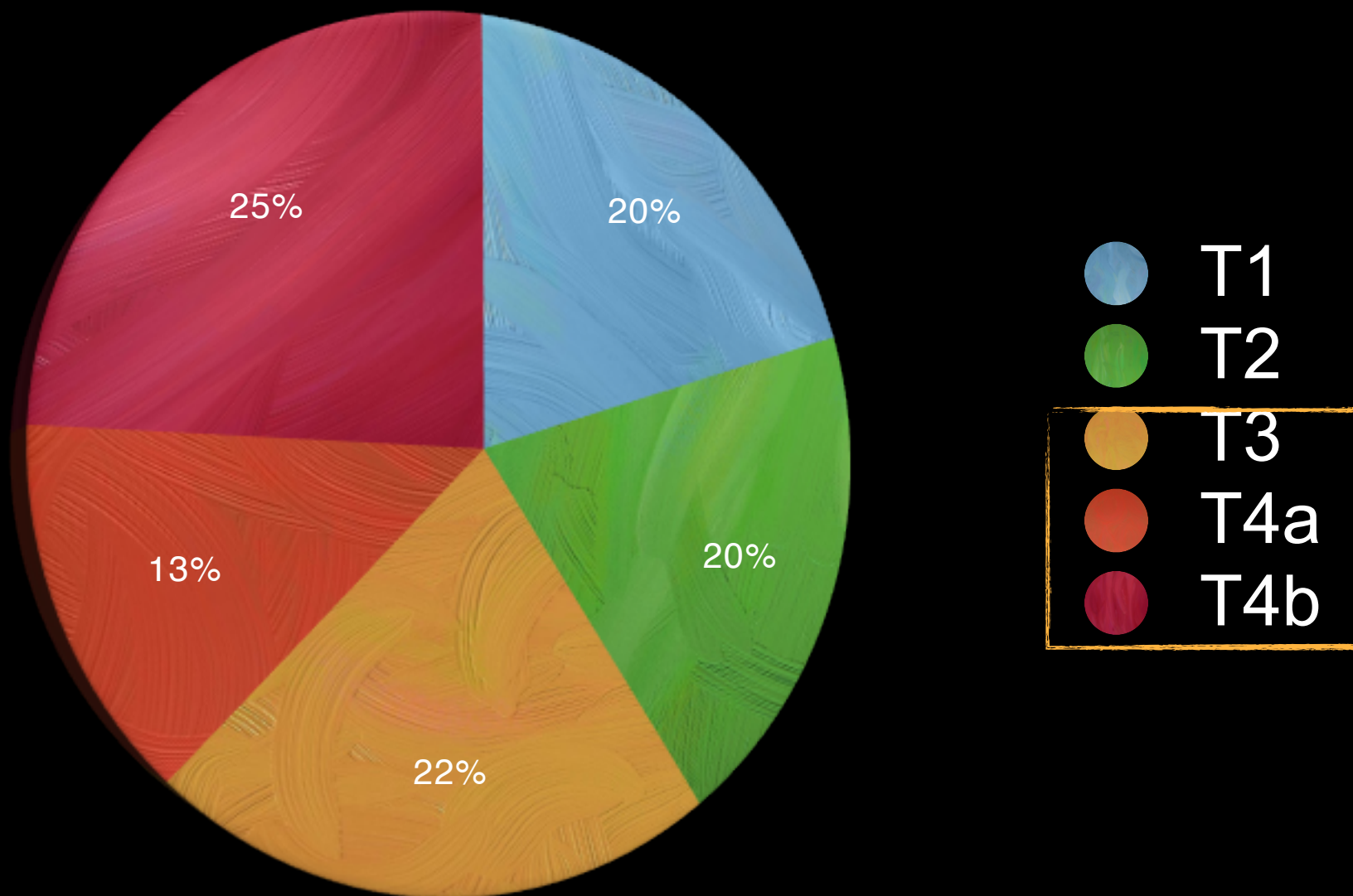
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Histology



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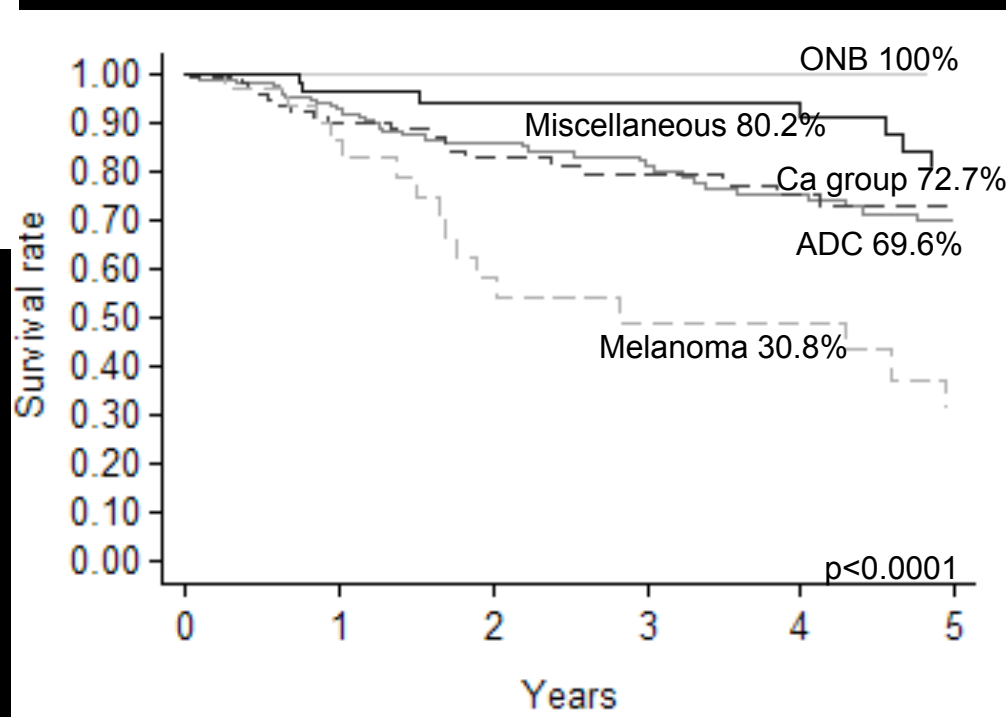
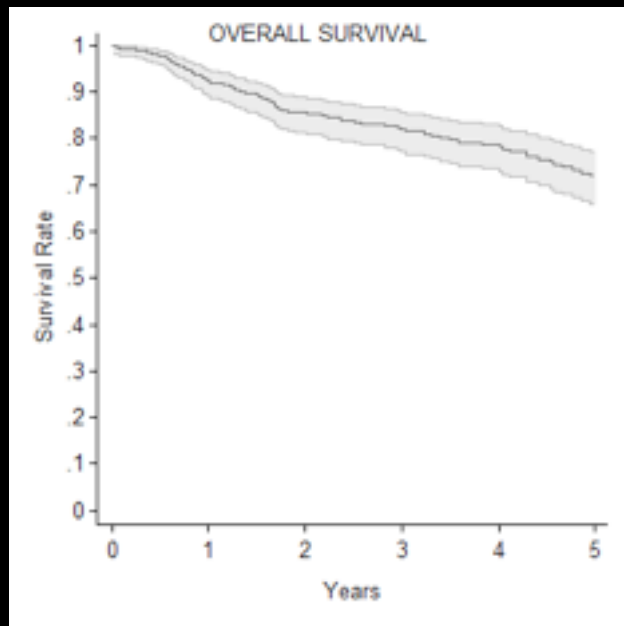
T-staging (AJCC 2010)



RESULTS

5-year overall survival (histology)

N= 387 pts



ADENOCARCINOMA

Intestinal type adenocarcinoma of the ethmoid: Outcomes of a treatment regimen based on endoscopic surgery with or without radiotherapy

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Original Article

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Treatment Strategies for Primary Early-Stage Sinonasal Adenocarcinoma: A Retrospective Bi-institutional Case-Control Study

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2015

169 patients

October 1997 - September 2013

100% ITAC

Mean age 66 years

Median follow-up 42.8 months
(1-170)

Male 89%

Ethmoid 100%

ADENOCARCINOMA

Our experience

Previous treatment
(S and/or RT and/or
CHT)
25%

| | |
|------|-------------|
| EER | 38 (22.5%) |
| ERTC | 103 (60.9%) |
| CER | 28 (16.6%) |

Pathological stage

| | | |
|------|----|---------|
| pT0 | 1 | (0.6%) |
| pT1 | 34 | (20.1%) |
| pT2 | 48 | (28.4%) |
| pT3 | 32 | (18.9%) |
| pT4a | 11 | (6.6%) |
| pT4b | 43 | (25.4%) |

Positive margins 18 (**10.6%**)

3 pT3, 1 pT4a, 14 pT4b

Adjuvant RT 99 (**58.6%**)

ADENOCARCINOMA

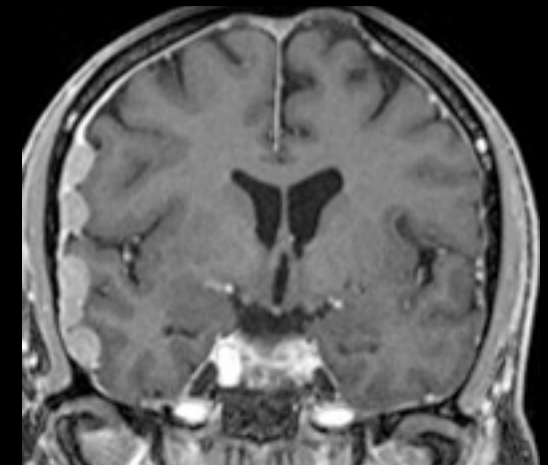
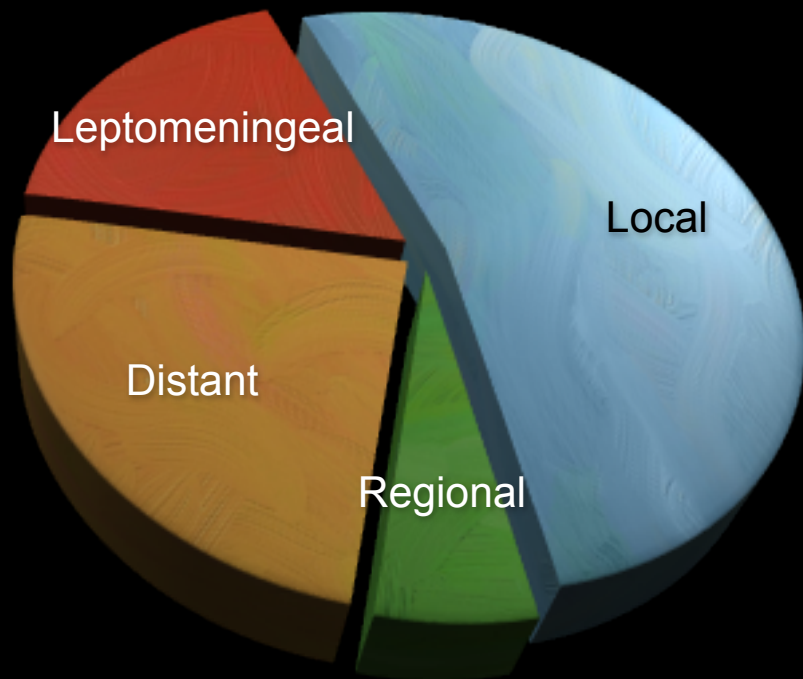
Median follow-up **42.8** months (1-170)

Recurrences **36/169 (21.3%)**

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| Local | 16.1% |
| Distant | 7.1% |
| Leptomeningeal | 5.3% |
| Regional | 1.8% |

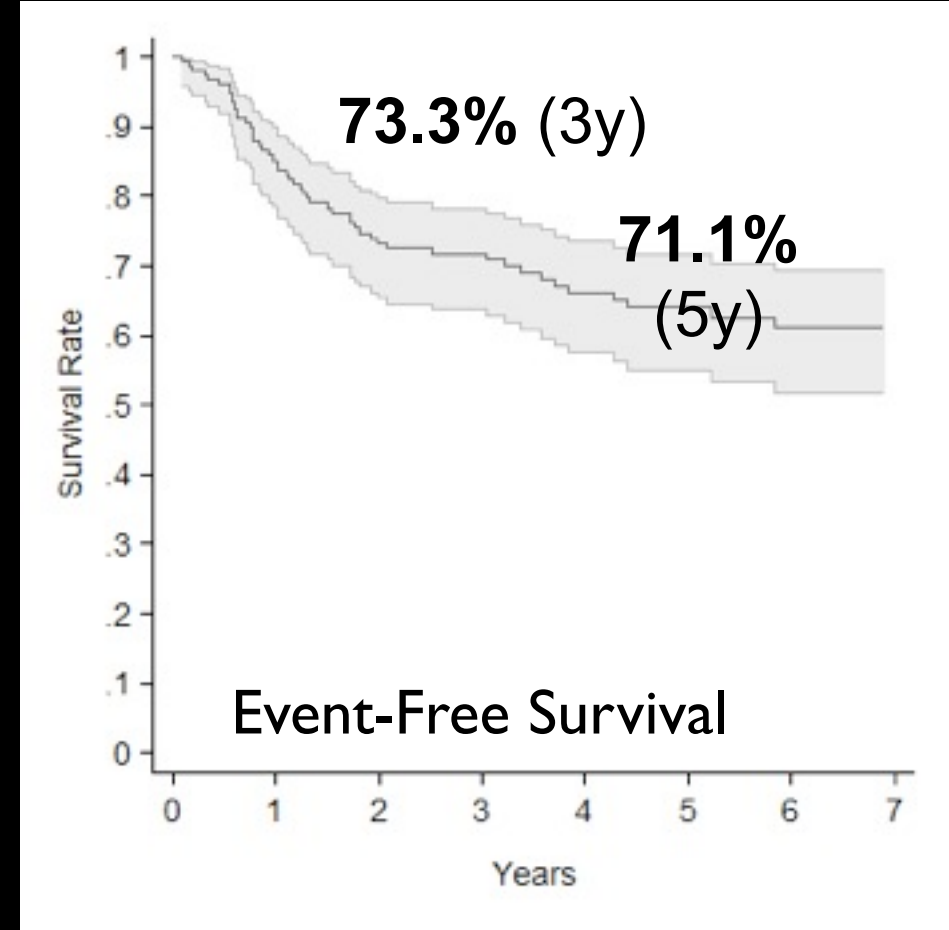
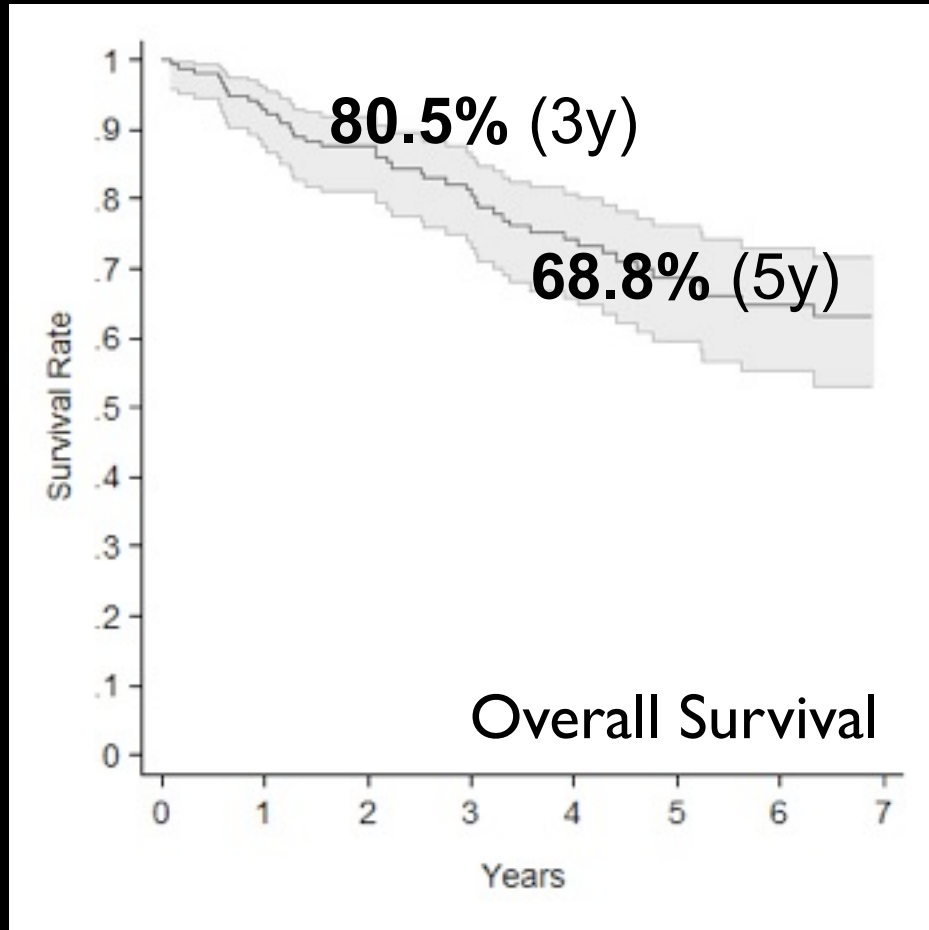
Distant metastasis: 6 brain
4 bone
4 lung
2 liver

9 leptomeningeal



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ADENOCARCINOMA



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| Variable | Category | Cox regression model Overall survival | | Cox regression model Event free survival | | Competing risk model | |
|------------------|----------------------|--|--------------|---|--------------|----------------------|------------------|
| | | HR (CI 95%)* | P value | HR (CI 95%)* | P value | SHR (CI 95%)* | P value |
| pT stage | T1-T2 | Ref. | | Ref. | | Ref. | |
| | T3-T4a | 1.92 (0.85-4.34) | 0.116 | 2.10 (1.03-4.25) | 0.040 | 2.57 (0.64-10.30) | 0.183 |
| | T4b | 3.15 (1.39-7.14) | 0.006 | 2.35 (1.10-5.02) | 0.027 | 6.24 (1.64-23.80) | 0.007 |
| Grading | 1 | Ref. | | Ref. | | Ref. | |
| | 2 | 1.70 (0.59-4.9) | 0.326 | 2.35 (0.82-6.71) | 0.111 | 2.57 (0.60-11.02) | 0.205 |
| | 3 | 3.31 (1.06-10.35) | 0.040 | 4.52 (1.44-14.19) | 0.010 | 5.69 (1.08-29.88) | 0.040 |
| Surgical margins | Positive vs Negative | 3.50 (1.71-7.18) | 0.001 | 3.29 (1.63-6.64) | 0.001 | 5.33 (2.15-13.22) | <0.001 |

*Adjusted for all the variables in the table. HR: Hazard Ratio, SHR: Subhazard Ratio.

Stage pT4b (pT3-T4a for EFS), high grading (G3), and positive margins were independently associated with a higher risk of death

SINONASAL CANCER

Maxillary cancer

MAXILLECTOMIES

Classification

(Medial maxillectomy)

Inferior maxillectomy

Subtotal maxillectomy

Radical maxillectomy

Extended radical maxillectomy

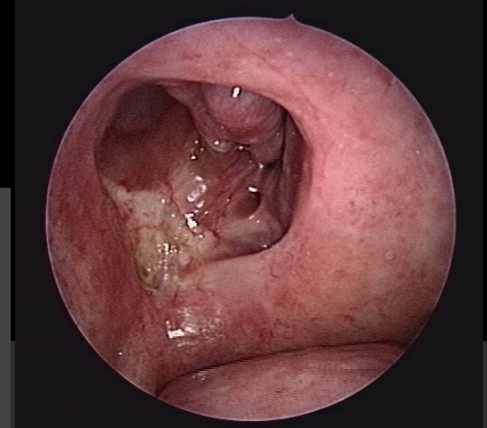
Surgical access

Transoral

Midfacial degloving

Lateral rhinotomy

(Weber-Ferguson
incision)



SINONASAL CANCER

Maxillary cancer

GOALS OF RECONSTRUCTION

- Separation of the sinonasal tract from the oral cavity
- Dental/Prosthetic rehabilitation
- Soft tissue and/or bony augmentation of the midfacial area to provide support to the orbital content and to re-establish facial contour
- Separation of the cranial cavity from the sinonasal tract
- Filling of the orbital cavity or its lining when an ocular prosthesis is planned

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Maxillary cancer

MANAGEMENT OF SURGICAL DEFECTS

Prosthesis vs. Reconstruction

Obturator
Epithesis

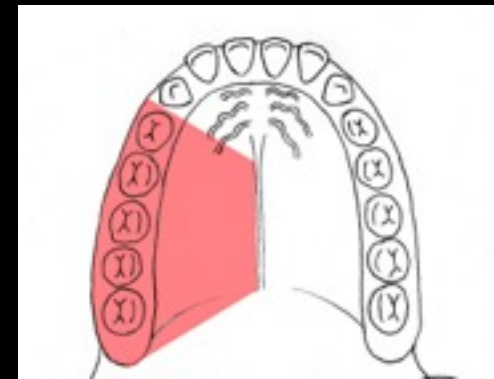
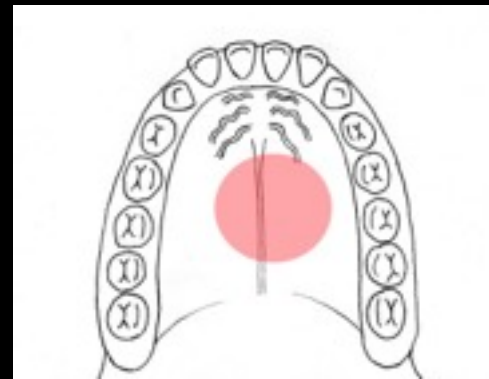
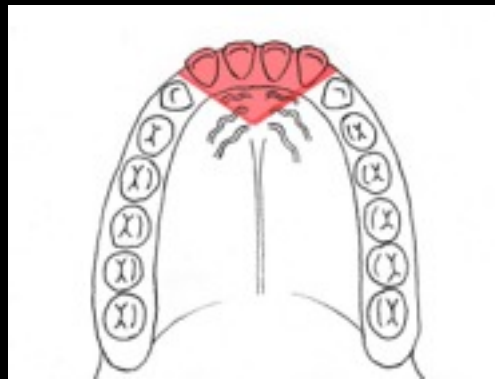
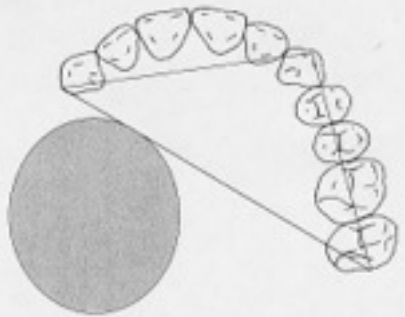
Pedicled flaps
Free flaps



COMBINATION OF BOTH

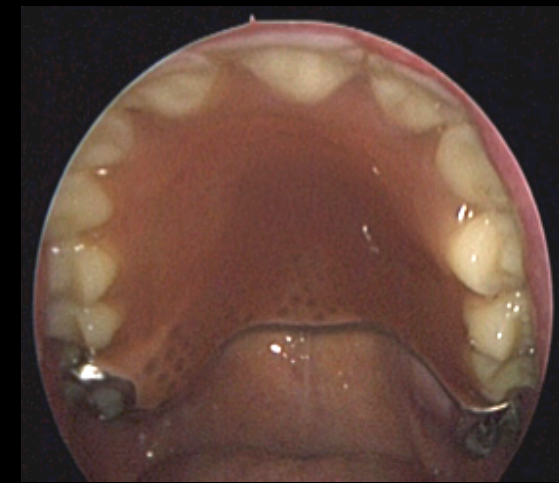
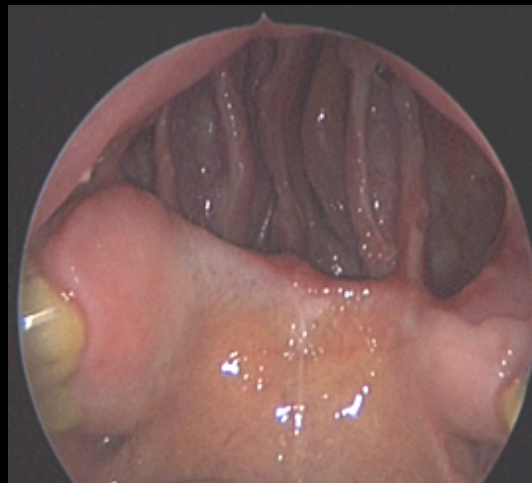
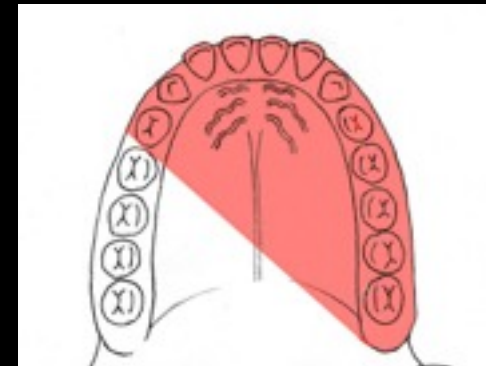
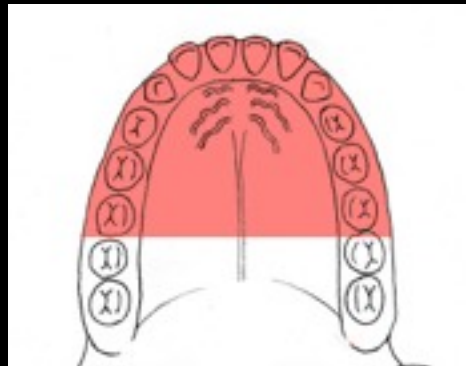
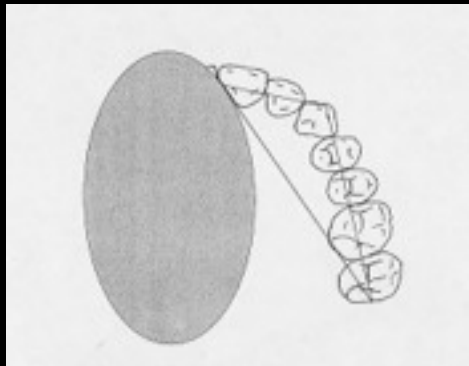
PARTIAL INFERIOR MAXILLECTOMY

Obturator or buccal fat pad



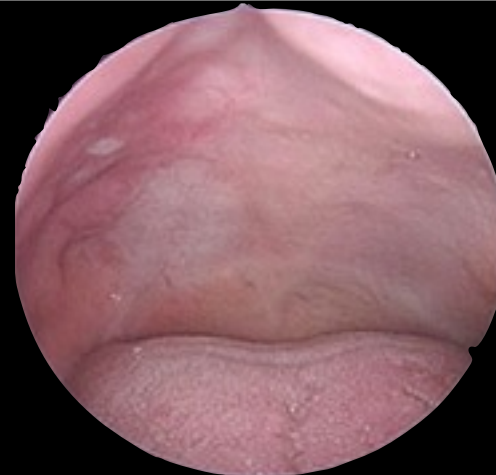
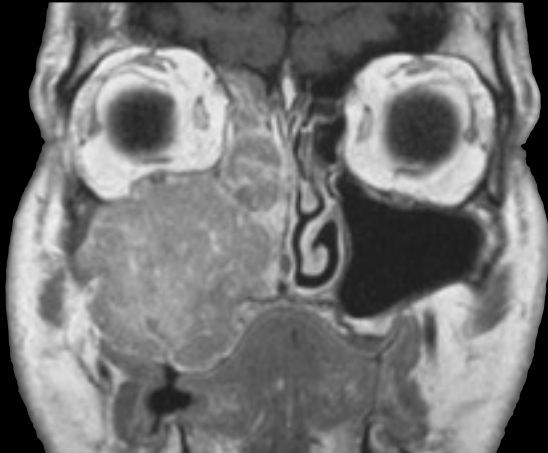
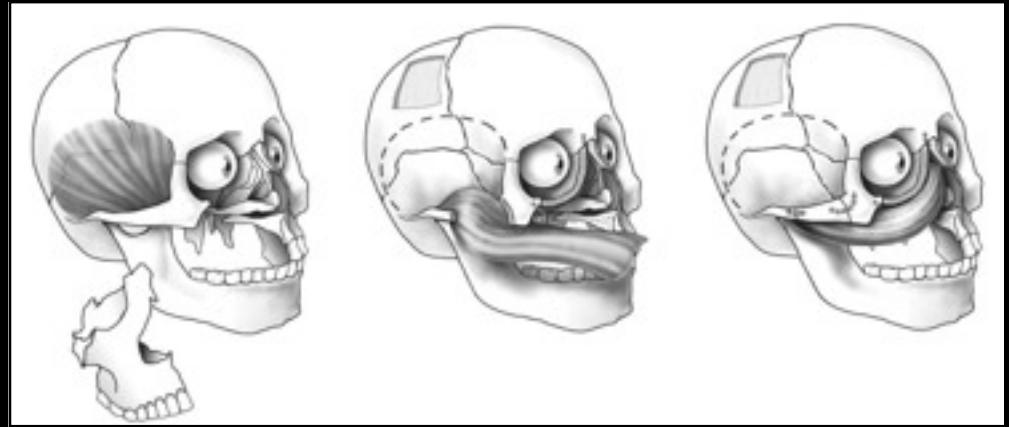
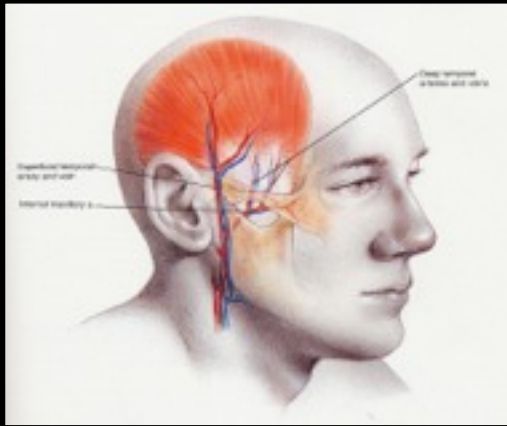
SUBTOTAL INFERIOR MAXILLECTOMY

Obturator



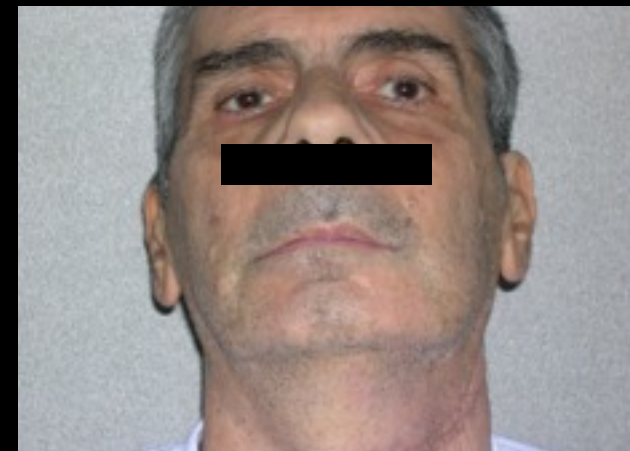
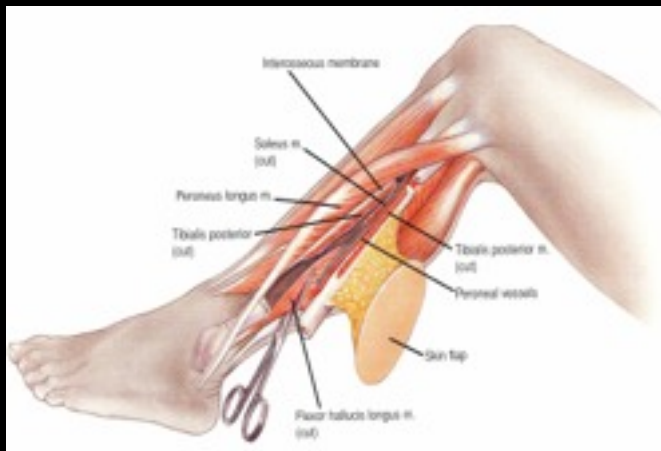
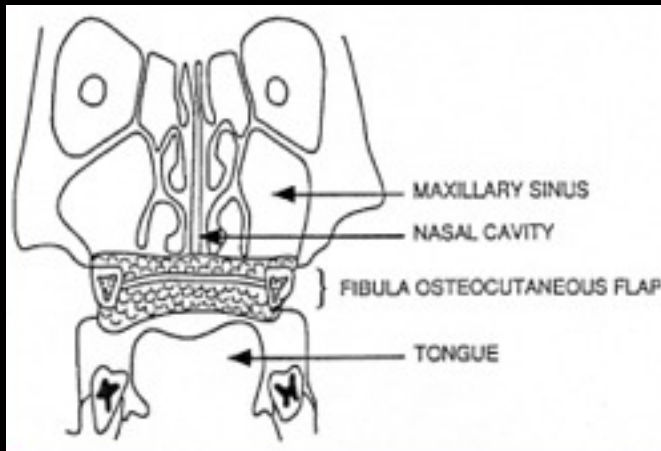
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Temporalis muscle



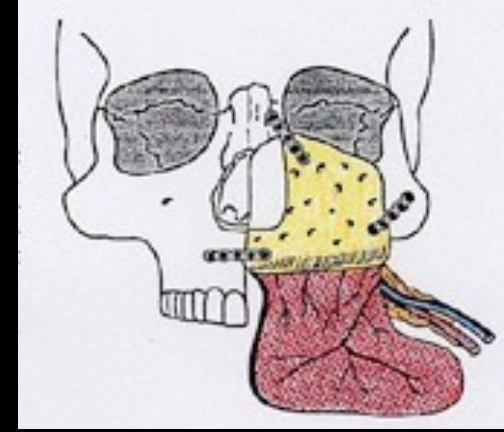
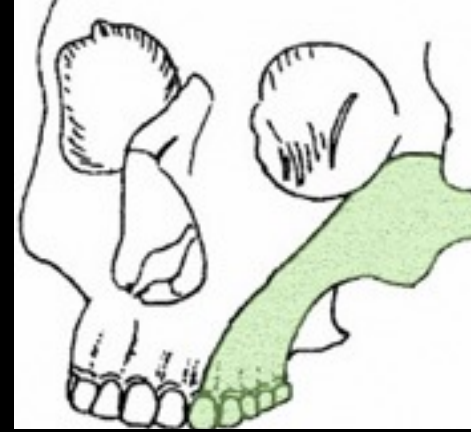
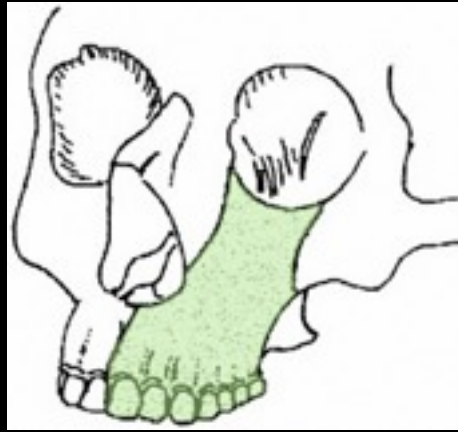
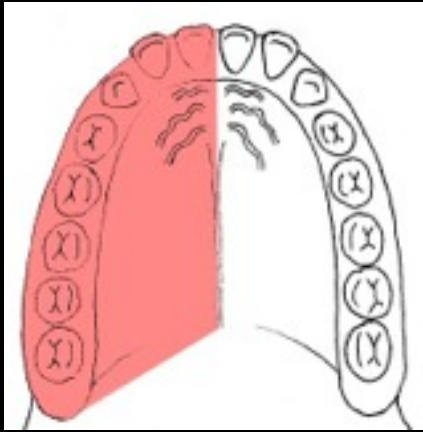
BILATERAL INFERIOR MAXILLECTOMY

Class III - Fibula



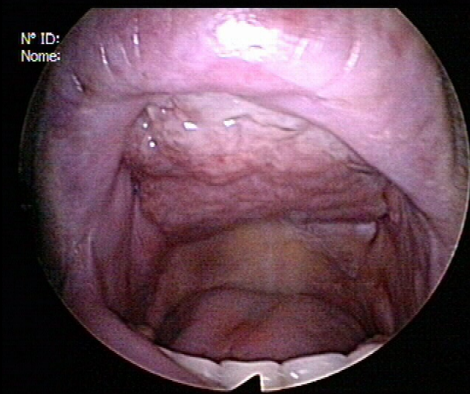
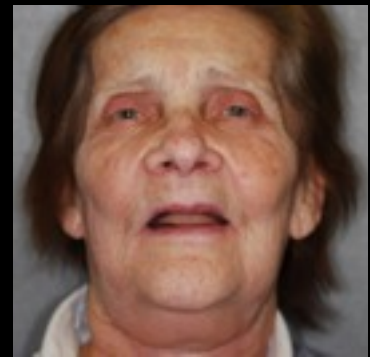
TOTAL MAXILLECTOMY

Iliac crest



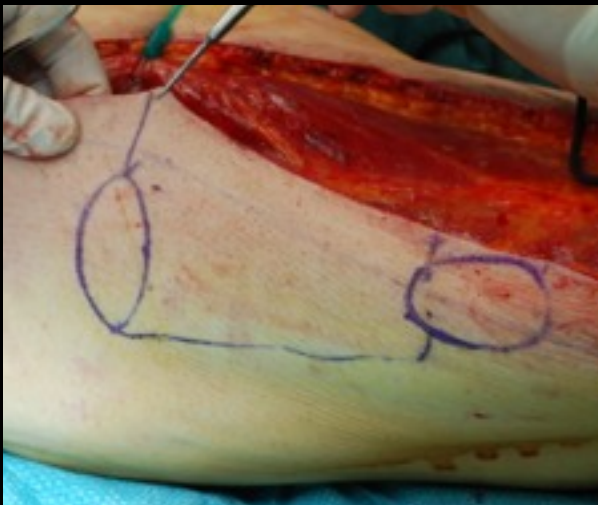
BILATERAL INFERIOR MAXILLECTOMY

Class III - Tip of scapula flap



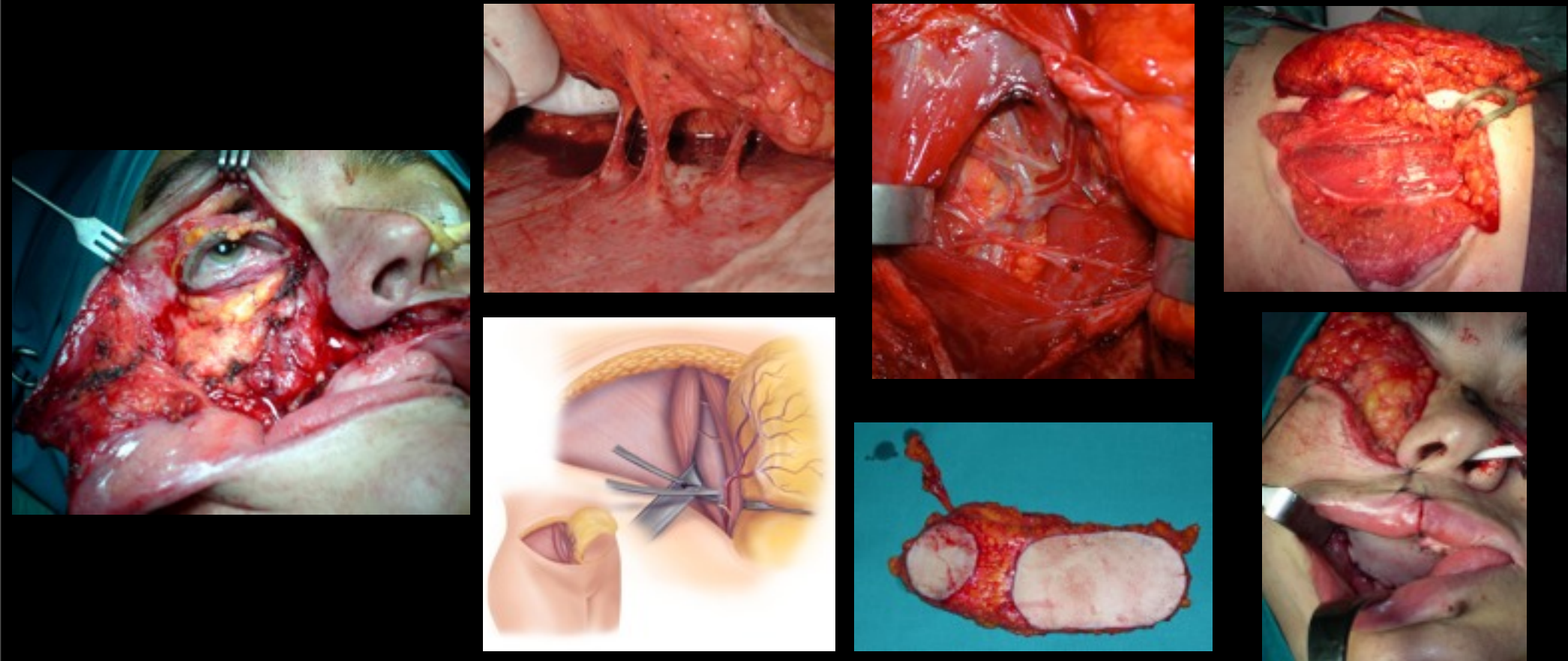
EXTENDED MAXILLECTOMY

Anterolateral thigh flap



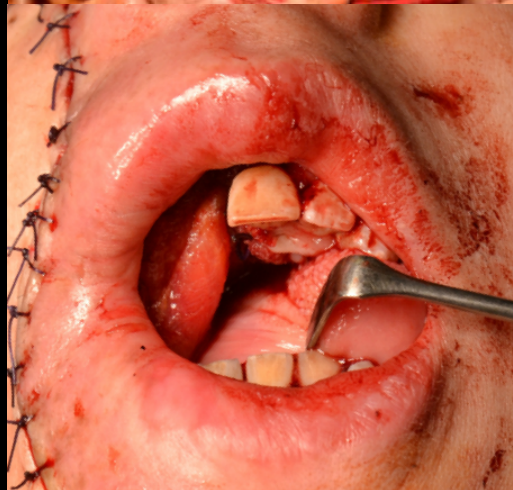
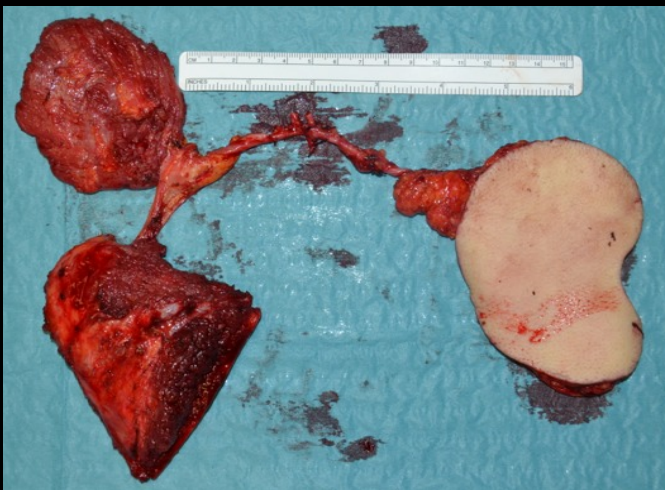
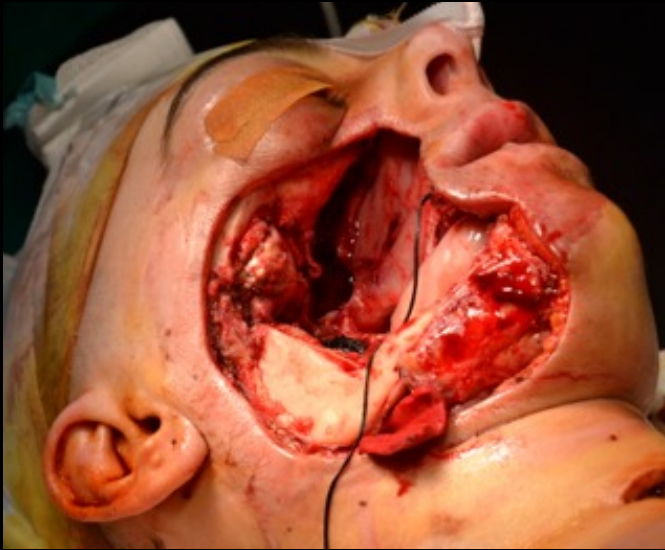
EXTENDED MAXILLECTOMY

Rectus abdominis flap



COMPLEX MAXILLOFACIAL RECONSTRUCTIONS

Chimeric flaps

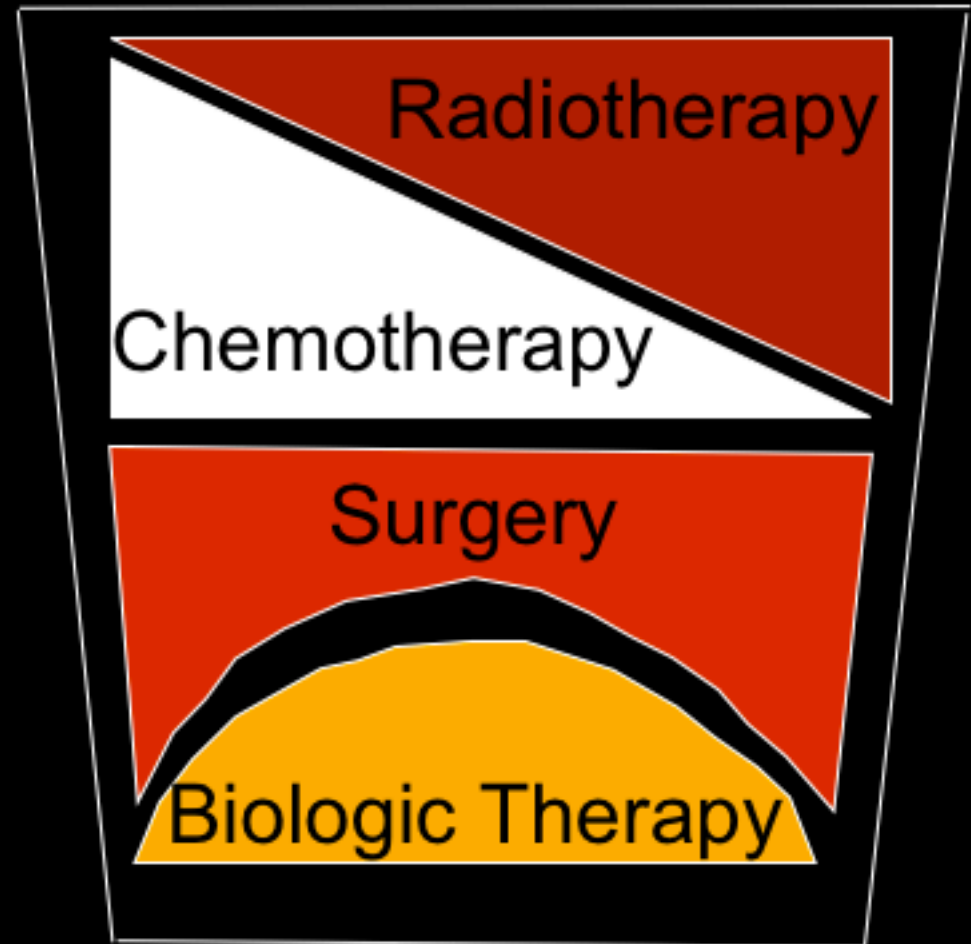


10 days after surgery

PATIENT-TAILORED TREATMENT

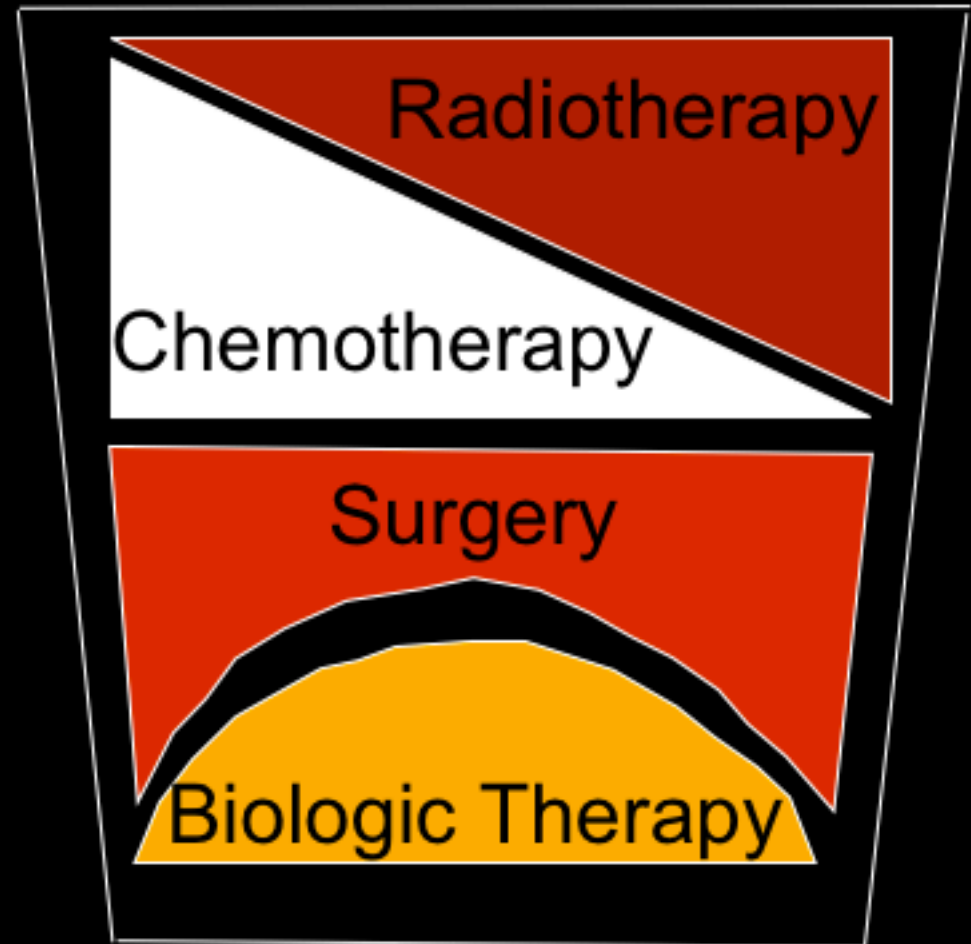


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PATIENT-TAILORED TREATMENT

The right mixture



PATIENT-TAILORED TREATMENT

**Multidisciplinary approach for poor prognosis sinonasal tumors:
Phase II study of chemotherapy, surgery, photon and heavy ion
radiotherapy integration for more effective and less toxic
treatment in operable patients.**

Protocol Code:

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Therapeutic Area:

Oncology

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**Multidisciplinary approach for poor prognosis sinonasal tumors:
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Protocol Code:

SINTART2

Therapeutic Area:

Oncology

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RATIONALE

*“...This study proposes innovative integration of **multiple modality** of treatment **modulated by histology, molecular profile and response to induction CHT**. Moreover, heavy ion RT combined with photon RT allows the use of latest technology with greater biological effectiveness and reduction of toxicities...”*

RATIONALE

*“...Treatment outcomes for unresectable paranasal sinus carcinoma are poor, and **combined-modality treatment** is needed that is both more effective and associated with less morbidity...”*

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Parotid tumors: pathology, surgical and radiotherapy aspects

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EPIDEMIOLOGY

SALIVARY GLAND TUMORS

- 3-4% of all head and neck tumors
- 70% of salivary gland tumors arises in the parotid gland
- 75% of the parotid tumors are benign *(Johnson et al. 2014)*

SALIVARY GLAND MALIGNANT TUMORS

- 0.3-3% of all malignancies *(De Brito Santos 2001, Harish 2004)*
- 4-6% of all head and neck cancers *(Spiro 1986, Tran et al. 1986, Dillard et al. 2001)*
- Incidence SGMT: 4-135 / 1.000.000

HISTOLOGY

MALIGNANT TUMORS

PRIMITIVE TUMORS

Epithelial

Mesenchymal

- Hemangiopericytoma
- Malignant schwannoma
- Malignant fibrous histiocytoma

Lymphomas

- MALT
- Non-Hodgkin
- Hodgkin

LYMPH NODE METs

Head and neck skin malignancies

Nasopharyngeal carcinoma

Paranasal sinus tumors

Tumors of the conjunctiva

Tumors of the lacrimal gland

DISTANT METs

Mammary carcinoma

Renal cell carcinoma

Lung carcinoma

Sarcomas

HISTOLOGY

EPITHELIAL MALIGNANT TUMORS

LOW GRADE

MEC low grade

Acinic cell carcinoma

Polymorphus low grade ADC

Basal cell carcinoma

ADC NOS low grade

Clear cell carcinoma

Epithelial-myoepithelial carcinoma low grade

Papillary ADC

MEC intermediate grade

ACC
G1-G2 / G3

HIGH GRADE

MEC high grade

Salivary duct carcinoma

ADC NOS high grade

Carcinoma ex-pleomorphic adenoma

Epithelial-myoepithelial carcinoma high grade

Oncocytic carcinoma

Ellis and Auclair: "Tumors of the salivary glands", AFIP 1996

HISTOLOGY

Recent advances in the diagnostic pathology of salivary carcinomas

Virchows Arch (2014)

Roderick H. W. Simpson • Alena Skálová •
Silvana Di Palma • Ilmo Leivo

NEW HISTOLOGIC ENTITIES

MAMMARY ANALOGUE SECRETORY CARCINOMA

Commonest location: **parotid gland**

ETV6-NTRK chromosomal translocation almost every case

Differential diagnosis: acinic cell carcinoma

High grade transformation: possible

CRIBRIFORM ADENOCARCINOMA OF THE TONGUE AND MSGs

Only minor salivary glands involved

Relatively high risk of nodal metastasis at presentation (60%)

Rearrangement of PRKD genes found in more than 80% of the cases

Differential diagnosis: polymorphous low grade adenocarcinoma

Good prognosis

HISTOLOGY

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NEW FINDINGS IN ESTABLISHED ENTITIES

HIGH GRADE TRANSFORMATION OF ADENOID CYSTIC CARCINOMA

Chromosomal translocation leading to over expression of MYB-NFIB fusion proteins controlling proliferation apoptosis, differentiation

DUCTAL CARCINOMA

Overexpression of estrogen receptor Beta-isoform (73%)

Overexpression of androgen receptor (more than 90%)

Clinical activity of androgen deprivation therapy in patients with metastatic/relapsed ARpositive salivary gland cancers

L. Locati, F. Perrone, B. Cortelazzi, et al. Head & Neck (accepted article 2014)

Biology of Human Tumors

2014

Alterations Associated with Androgen Receptor Gene Activation in Salivary Duct Carcinoma of Both Sexes: Potential Therapeutic Ramifications

Yoshitsugu Mitani¹, Pulivarthi H. Rao², Sankar N. Maity³, Yu-Chen Lee⁴, Renata Ferrarotto⁵, Julian C. Post¹, Lisa Licitra⁶, Scott M. Lippman⁷, Merrill S. Kies⁵, Randal S. Weber⁸, Carlos Caulin⁸, Sue-Hwa Lin⁴, and Adel K. El-Naggar^{1,8}

DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

Parotid mass

US

Intraparenchymal
small nodule

Widespread increase in
volume

Large nodule
Deep lobe

Hypervascular lesions

FNAC

Parapharyngeal extension
Extraparenchymal extension

No FNAC;
MRI

FNAC + MRI

PET for staging (high grade MT)

DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of the Diagnostic Accuracy of Fine-Needle Aspiration Cytology for Parotid Gland Lesions

Am J Clin Pathol 2011

Robert L. Schmidt, MD, PhD, MMed, MBA,¹ Brian J. Hall, MD,¹ Andrew R. Wilson, MStat,² and Lester J. Layfield, MD^{1,2}

FNAC can achieve high specificity and diagnostic accuracy (89% and 85%)

There are **significant variations** in the performance of FNAC within different practice settings

It is associated with **high levels of inadequate diagnoses and missed malignancies especially outside specialist centers**

Sensitivity for detecting malignancy has been reported **between 70% and 80%** and non-diagnostic rates average at 14%-56%

DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

FNAC

Sensitivity for MSGTs: 72%

Grading of MSGTs: 46%

Zurrida et al. 1993, Boccato et al. 1998, Stewart et al. 2000, Zbaren et al. 2004

MINIREVIEWS

Biopsy of parotid masses: Review of current techniques

World J Radiol 2016

Sananda Haldar, Joseph D Sinnott, Kemal M Tekeli, Samuel S Turner, David C Howlett

*When compared to FNAC, **Core Biopsy** showed a **higher sensitivity (96%) and specificity (100%)**, a low complication rate (1.6% haematoma rate) and **no variation in accuracy between locations (96%)***

DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

Correlation between preoperative predictions and surgical findings in the parotid surgery for tumors

Michael Vaiman^{1*}, Judith Luckman², Tal Sigal³ and Inessa Bekerman³

Head & Face Medicine (2016)

MRI

Pros:

- Excellent assessment of the parotid lesion and its local extension
- Evaluation of infiltration of soft tissue, cartilage, and bone
- Parapharyngeal extension
- Perineural spread

Cons:

- The malignant nature of a low grade lesion is not always predictable
- Higher costs and more limited availability than CT

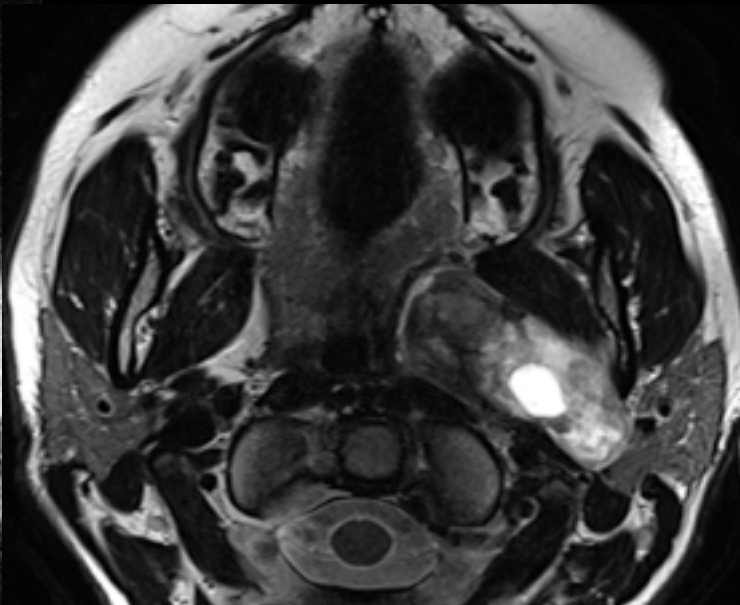
DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

MRI - Features of malignancy

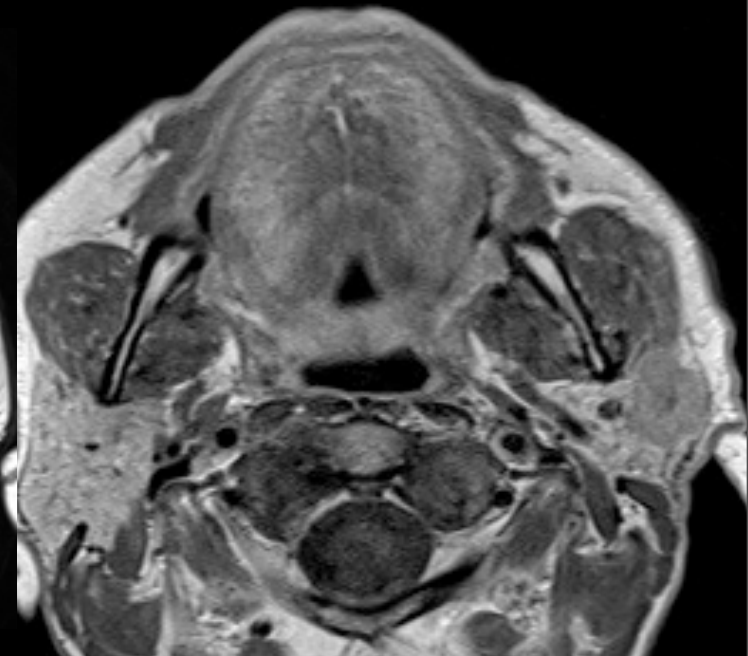
- Poorly defined margins
- Spread to surrounding structures
- Perineural spread
- Neck lymph node metastasis



Pleomorphic
adenoma



Carcinoma ex-pleomorphic
adenoma



Salivary duct
carcinoma

DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP

**Large size is not
synonymous
with malignancy**



STAGING SYSTEM

TNM (AJCC-UICC 2010)

Tx: Primary tumor cannot be assessed

T0: No evidence of primary tumor

T1: Tumor 2 cm or less in greatest dimension without extraparenchymal extension*

T2: Tumor more than 2 cm but no more than 4 cm in greatest dimension without extraparenchymal extension*

T3: Tumor more than 4 cm and/or tumor having extraparenchymal extension*

T4a: Tumor invades skin, mandible, ear canal, and/or facial nerve

T4b: Tumor invades skull base and/or pterygoid plates and/or encases carotid artery

*Extraparenchymal extension is clinical or macroscopic evidence of invasion of soft tissues. Microscopic extension does not constitute extraparenchymal extension for classification purposes

Nx: Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed

N0: No evidence of lymph node metastasis

N1: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, 3 cm or less in greatest dimension

N2a: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, more than 3 cm but no more than 6 cm in greatest dimension

N2b: Metastasis in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, none more than 6 cm in greatest dimension

N2c: Metastasis in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, none more than 6 cm in greatest dimension

N3: Metastasis in a lymph node, more than 6 cm in greatest dimension

Mx: Distant metastasis cannot be assessed

M0: No distant metastasis

M1: Distant metastasis

TREATMENT OF THE PRIMARY

Classification of parotidectomies: a proposal of the European Salivary Gland Society *Eur Arch Otorhinolaryngol*

M. Quer¹ · O. Guntinas-Lichius² · F. Marchal³ · V. Vander Poorten⁴ · D. Chevalier⁵ · X. León¹ · D. Eisele⁶ · P. Dulguerov³

2016

Table 3 EGSG level classification (modified from Quer et al. [31])

| Anatomical site | Level |
|----------------------|-------|
| Superficial superior | I |
| Superficial inferior | II |
| Deep inferior | III |
| Deep superior | IV |
| Accessory | V |

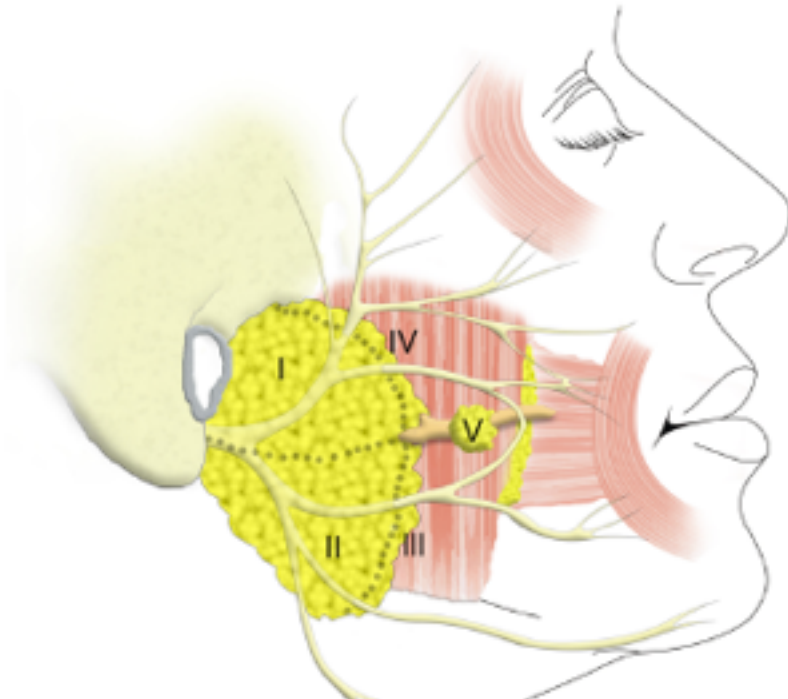


Table 6 Comparison of the new proposed classification and classical terms

| EGSG proposal | Classical classifications |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Parotidectomy I–IV (VII) | Total parotidectomy with facial nerve resection |
| Parotidectomy I–IV | Total parotidectomy with facial nerve preservation |
| Parotidectomy I–IV (VII, S, MM) | Extended total parotidectomy with facial nerve resection plus skin and masseter muscle resection |
| Parotidectomy I–II | Superficial parotidectomy |
| Parotidectomy III–IV | Deep lobe parotidectomy |
| Parotidectomy I | Partial superficial parotidectomy |
| Parotidectomy II | Partial superficial parotidectomy |
| Parotidectomy I–II–III | Superficial parotidectomy extended to the inferior deep lobe |
| Parotidectomy V | Accessory lobe removal |
| ECD I | Extracapsular dissection with tumor in level I |
| ECD II | Extracapsular dissection with tumor in level II |
| ECD V | Extracapsular dissection with tumor in level V |

TREATMENT OF THE PRIMARY

SURGICAL OPTIONS

SUPERFICIAL PAROTIDECTOMY

T1-T2

Low grade

TOTAL PAROTIDECTOMY

T3 low grade

T1-T3 high grade

Tumors involving deep lobe

EXTENDED TOTAL PAROTIDECTOMY

Tumors involving soft tissues,
masseter, skin, EEC, mandible

RADICAL PAROTIDECTOMY

Tumors involving the facial nerve

EXTENDED RADICAL
PAROTIDECTOMY

Tumors involving the facial nerve
and other structures

LYMPH NODE METASTASIS

Overall prevalence of nodal metastasis: 25-38%

Overall prevalence of occult metastasis: 18-49%

Overall prevalence of nodal recurrence: 12-14%

Presence of nodal metastasis: 10-y overall survival decreases more than 50%

RISK FACTORS

Histologic type (SDC, ADC)

T Stage and dimension (>3 cm)

Grading

Age

Pain

Facial nerve palsy

Extraparenchymal extension

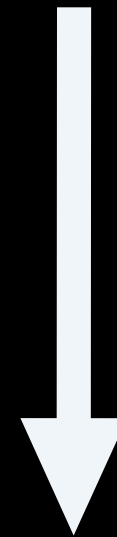
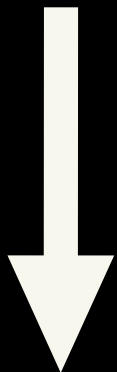
Poulsen et al. 1992, Kelley and Spiro 1996, De Brito-Santos et al. 2001, Harish 2004, Zbaren et al 2005, Chen et al 2007

NECK MANAGEMENT

High risk of occult metastasis

Risk of occult mets preop unpredictable

Low risk of occult metastasis



PORT on T and N

- 1) Elective neck dissection (levels Ib-II-III-Va)
- 2) Frozen sections on level IIA and ND in case of N+
- 3) If the patient needs PORT on T the neck can be included in the field

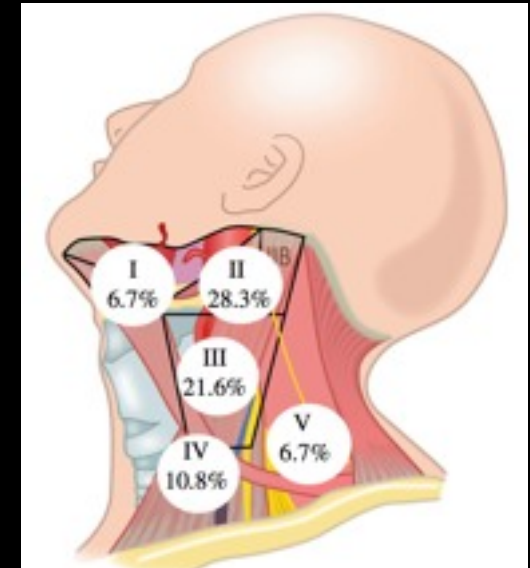
“Wait and see”

NECK MANAGEMENT

Elective ND

| Neck level dissected | No of patients (%) (n=74) | Pathological positivity (%) |
|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 53(72%) | 6.7% |
| 2 | 74(100%) | 28.3% |
| 3 | 74(100%) | 21.6% |
| 4 | 47(64%) | 10.8% |
| 5 | 43(58%) | 6.7% |

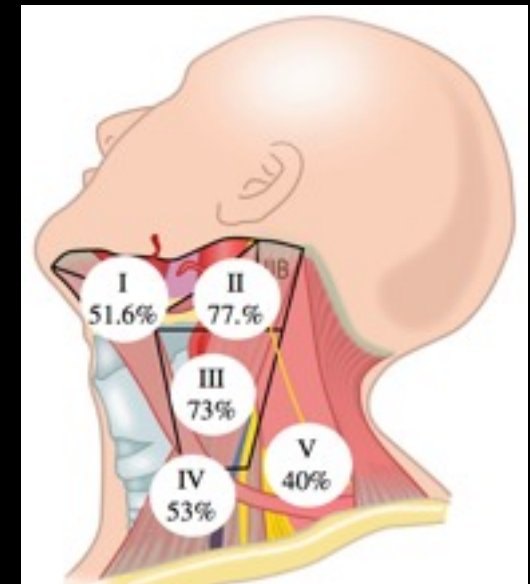
Neck levels dissected in patients having END



Therapeutic ND

| Neck level dissected | No of patients (%) (n=31) | Pathological positivity (%) |
|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 26(86%) | 51.6% |
| 2 | 31(100%) | 77.0% |
| 3 | 31(100%) | 73.0% |
| 4 | 29(94%) | 53.0% |
| 5 | 27(87%) | 40.0% |

Neck levels dissected in patients having TND



Ali et al. "Treatment of the Neck in Carcinoma of the Parotid Gland" Ann Surg Oncol 2014

TREATMENT

OUR INDICATIONS FOR ADJ RT

ACC

EVERY PATIENT WITH
EXCLUSION OF:

pT1 WITHOUT HISTOLOGICAL
RISK FACTORS:

- Perineural spread
- Endovascular invasion
- Solid variant

non-ACC

HIGH GRADE TUMORS

LOW GRADE pT3-pT4

LOW GRADE pT2 in
presence of “aggressive”

features:

- Involved margins
- Close proximity to the nerve

PENDING PROBLEMS: HIGH GRADE MALIGNANCIES

Frozen sections

MINIREVIEWS

Biopsy of parotid masses: Review of current techniques

World J Radiol 2016

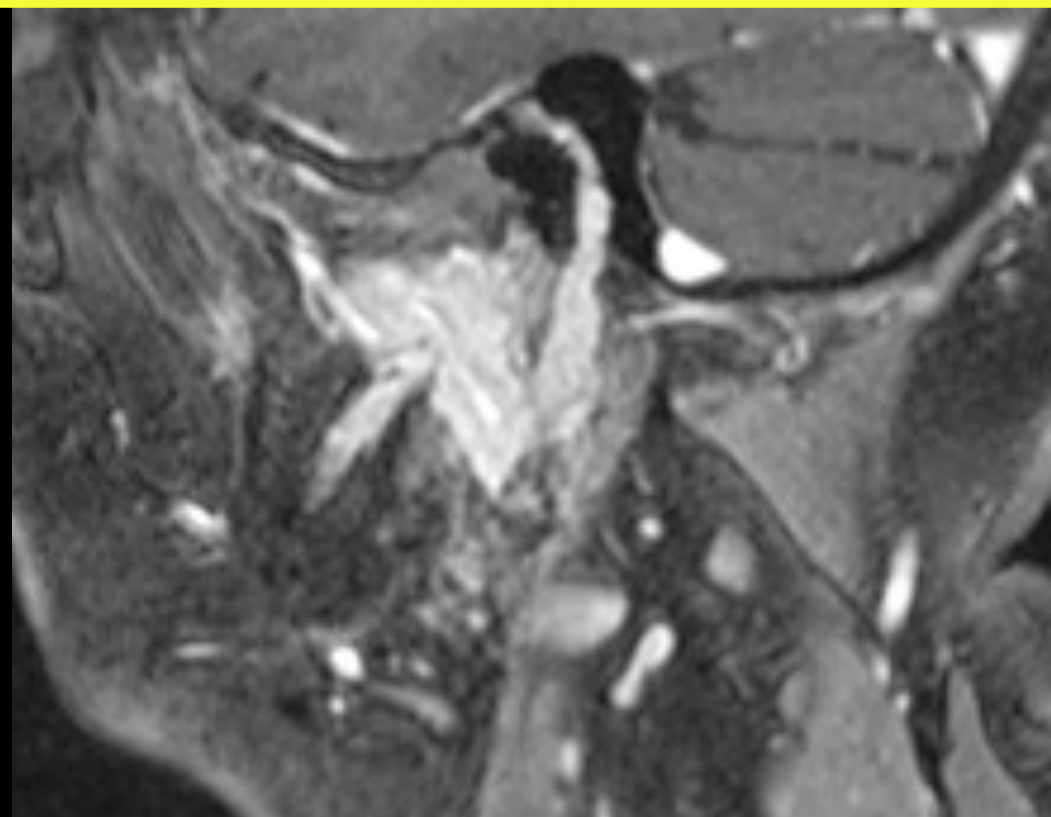
Sananda Haldar, Joseph D Sinnott, Kemal M Tekeli, Samuel S Turner, David C Howlett

“IOFS can be employed to guide further surgical management while the patient is still on the operating table. A meta-analysis published in 2011 (Schmidt et al.) looking at data from 13 studies over a 25-year period describes 90% sensitivity, 99% specificity and good consistency of results across study centres”

“In general, IOFS can be used as an adjunct to the less invasive options where diagnostic suspicion and uncertainty remain”

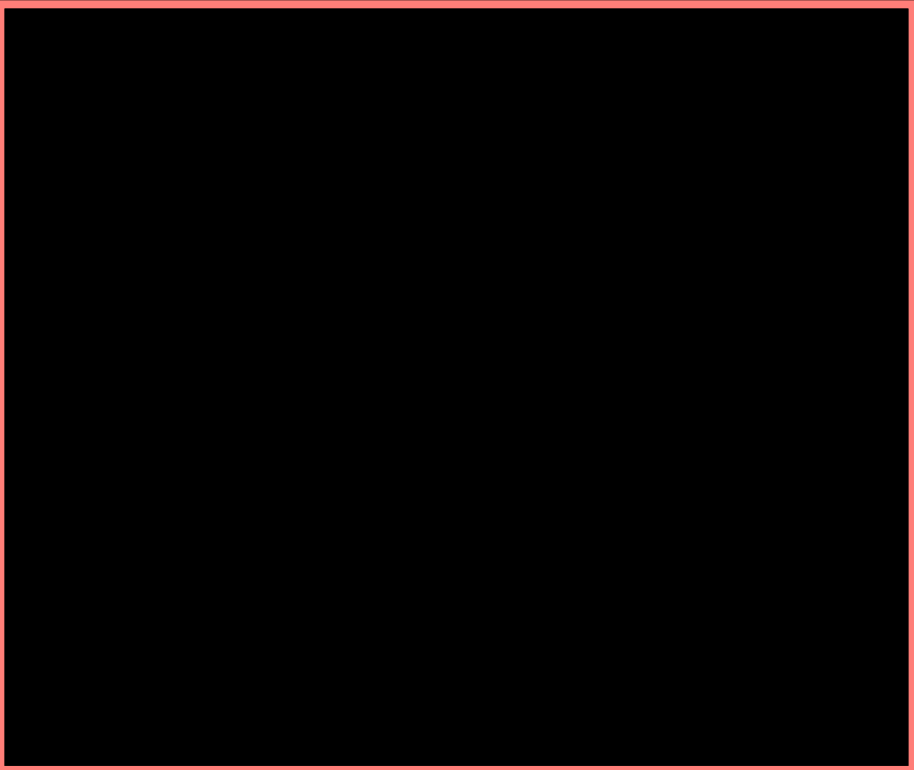
PENDING PROBLEMS: ACC

- Insidious growth
- Perineural spread
- Periosteal/perichondral spread
- Low rate of nodal metastases (G1/G2)
- Aggressive behavior of G3 (Solid component)
- High rate of distant metastases
- Multiple local and distant relapse



Facial nerve (retrograde and anterograde)
Masticator space and muscles
and V3

LYMPH NODE METASTASIS



FUTURE TRENDS

Clinical activity of androgen deprivation therapy in patients with metastatic/relapsed ARpositive salivary gland cancers

L. Locati, F. Perrone, B. Cortelazzi, S. Lo Vullo, P. Bossi, G. Dagrada, P. Quattrone, C. Bergamini, P. Potepan, E. Civelli, C. Fallai, S. Pilotti, L. Licitra

Head & Neck 2015

17 pts with relapsing and/or metastatic SGCs AR-expressing: SDC (N=8), adenocarcinoma NOS (N=7), cystadenocarcinoma (N=1) and poorly differentiated carcinoma originated from SDC (N=1)

All pts were homogeneously treated with ADT (*Bicalutamide + decapeptyl*)

No significant toxicities were reported. Overall response rate was 64.7%; three-year PFS and 5-year OS were 11.8% and 19.3%, respectively

FUTURE TRENDS

Treatment outcomes of particle radiotherapy using protons or carbon ions as a single-modality therapy for adenoid cystic carcinoma of the head and neck [☆]

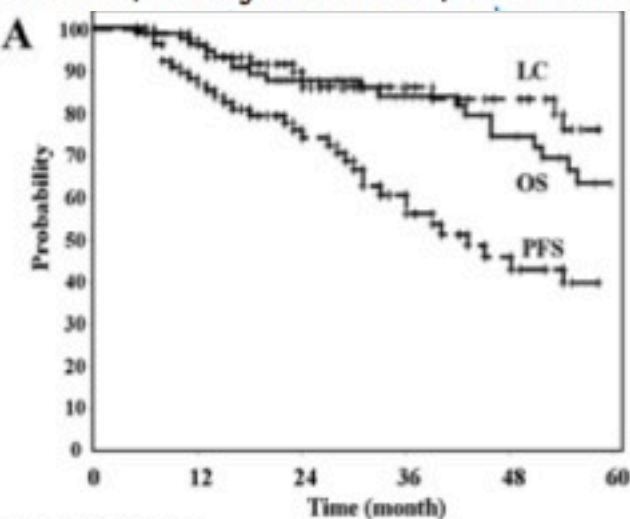
Radiotherapy and Oncology 2014

Masaru Takagi ^{a,*}, Yusuke Demizu ^a, Naoki Hashimoto ^a, Masayuki Mima ^a, Kazuki Terashima ^a, Osamu Fujii ^a, Dongcun Jin ^a, Yasue Niwa ^c, Koichi Ryohei Sasaki ^f, Yoshio Hishikawa ^g, Mitsuyuki

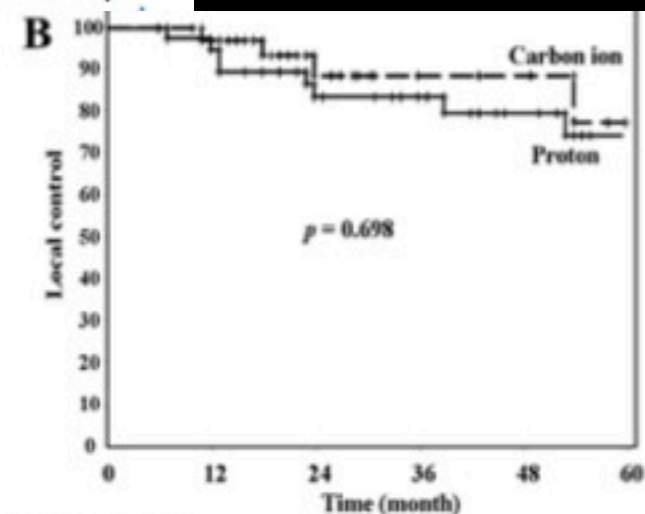
80 patients with ACC

- no lymph node or distant metastasis
- no previous treatment
- radical intent; treated with proton therapy or carbon ion therapy

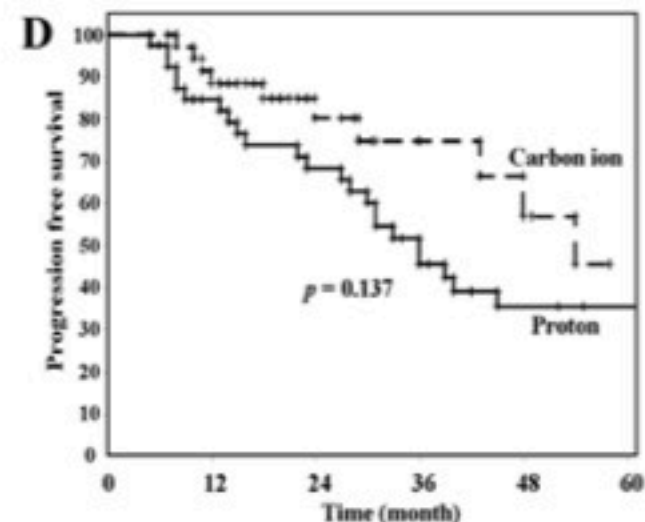
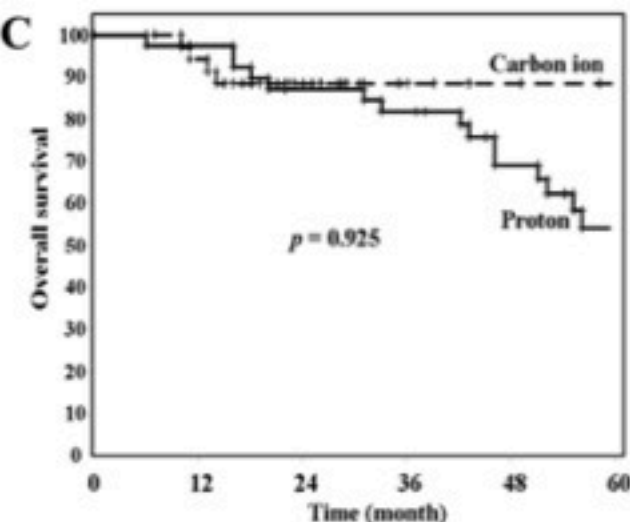
Higher local control than XRT in large or inoperable ACC



| Patient at risk, n | 0 | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 60 |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| LC | 80 | 71 | 49 | 34 | 27 | 17 |
| OS | 80 | 74 | 55 | 41 | 31 | 20 |
| PFS | 80 | 64 | 43 | 26 | 16 | 11 |



| Patient at risk, n | 0 | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 60 |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Carbon | 40 | 34 | 20 | 10 | 6 | 5 |
| Proton | 40 | 37 | 29 | 24 | 21 | 12 |



Salivary gland carcinoma non-surgical aspects

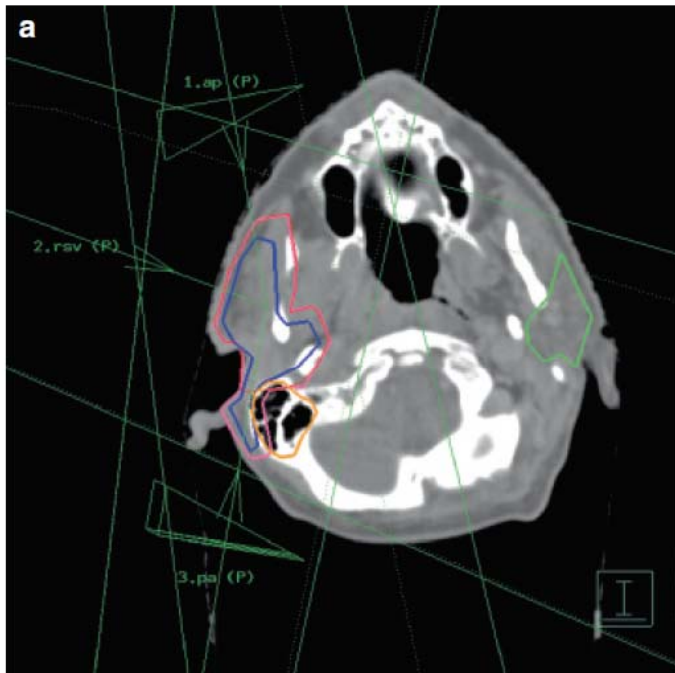


Cai Grau

Aarhus, Denmark



Role of radiotherapy



- Role of radiotherapy in salivary gland carcinoma has never been assessed in randomized trials
- Radiotherapy alone can induce locoregional control rates of 40–50%, but high doses (66+ Gy) needed
- Postoperative radiotherapy is indicated in high risk patients
 - incomplete surgery
 - T3-T4
 - pN+
 - perineural extension
 - adenoid cystic carcinoma and other high risk histologies

Low risk

- Acinic cell carcinoma
- Polymorphous low-grade adenocarcinoma
- Basal cell adenocarcinoma
- Epitelial-myoepitelial carcinoma
- Well / moderately differentiated mucoepidermoid carcinoma
- Adenocarcinoma NOS well differentiated
- Non-invasive and minimally invasive carcinoma in pleomorph adenoma
- Clear celle carcinoma
- Sialoblastoma

High risk

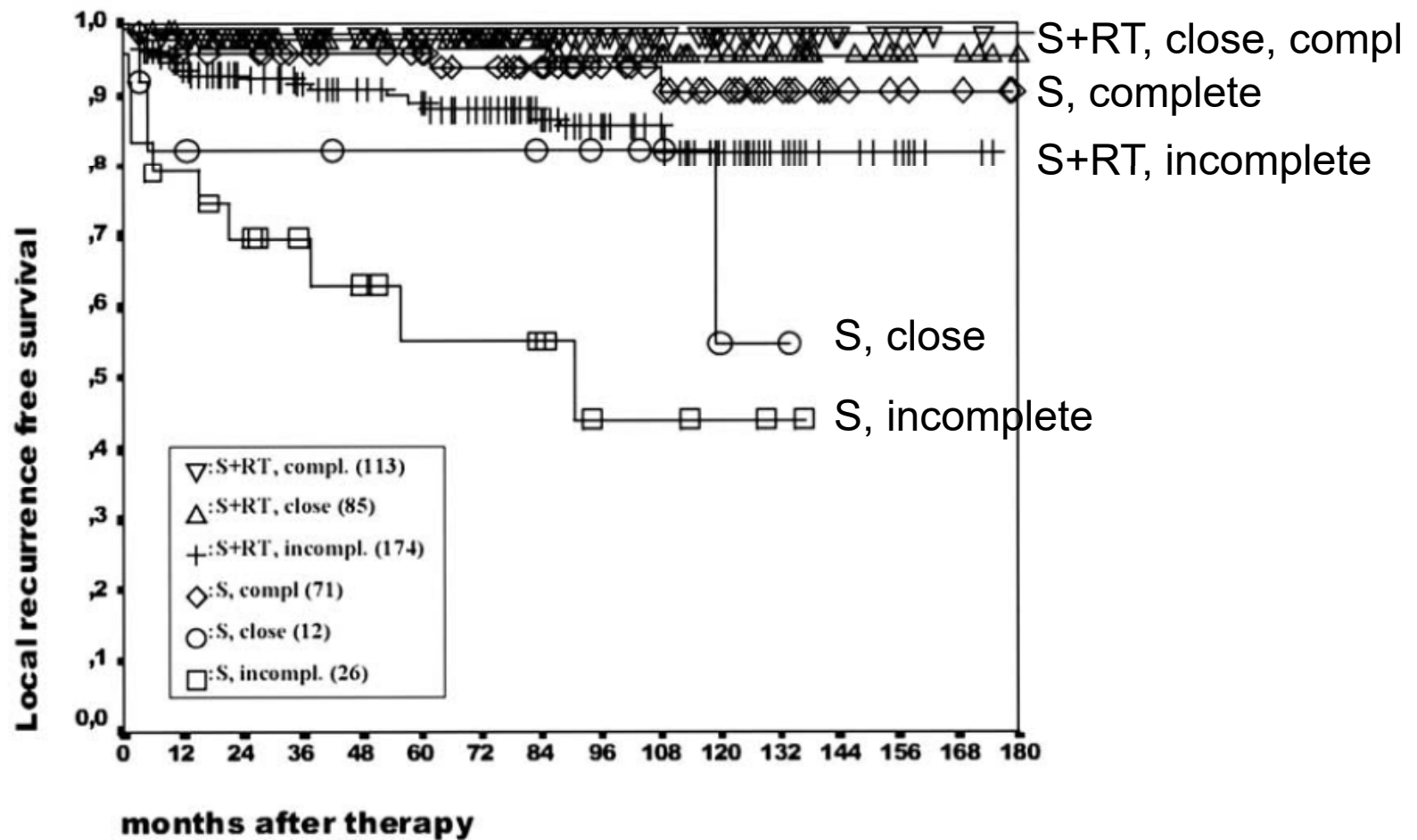
- Adenoid cystic carcinoma
- Adenocarcinoma NOS moderate-poorly differentiated
- Carcinoma in pleomorph adenoma, invasion >1.5 mm
- Poorly differentiated mucoepidermoid carcinoma
- Salivary duct carcinoma
- Primary squamous cell carcinoma
- Undifferentiated carcinoma (lymphoeptelial carcinoma)
- Large cell carcinoma
- Mucinous adenocarcinoma
- Oncocytary carcinoma
- Carcinosarcoma
- Small cell carcinoma
- Myoepitelial carcinoma

DAHANCA guidelines for management
of salivary gland tumours 2010

www.DAHANCA.dk

Salivary glands - surgical margins

Dutch HN Oncology Cooperative Group (n=538)



Adjuvant RT - major salivary gland tumors

SEER population-based study - ASTRO 2009 (n=3,714)

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U. Mahmood
University

Purpose/
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Conclusions: Adjuvant radiation was associated with improved survival for high-grade and locally advanced MMSGT based on analysis of this large, population-based database. In the absence of randomized data, our results support the role of adjuvant radiation for high-grade and locally advanced MMSGT.

“Multivariate analysis revealed a significant association between adjuvant radiation and decreased mortality (HR = 0.76, 95% CI: 0.65–0.89, $p = 0.0008$).

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In the absence of randomized data, our results support the role of adjuvant radiation for high-grade and locally advanced major malignant salivary gland tumours”

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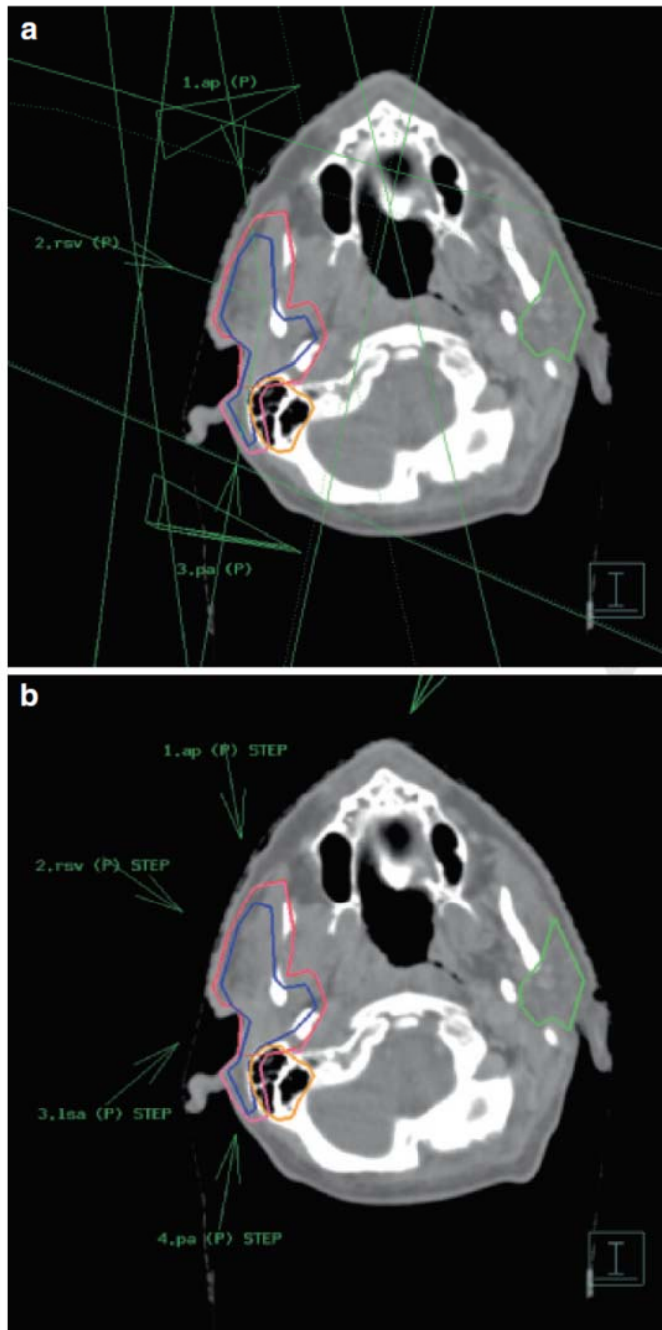
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Radiotherapy



- Ipsilateral tumor (bed) +/- N
- 60 Gy (R0)
- 66 Gy (R1-R2)
- 66-70 Gy (primary RT)
- OAR: Cochlea, spinal cord/brainstem, salivary glands
- 3DCRT (wedge pair) or IMRT

Parotid RT: 3DCRT or IMRT

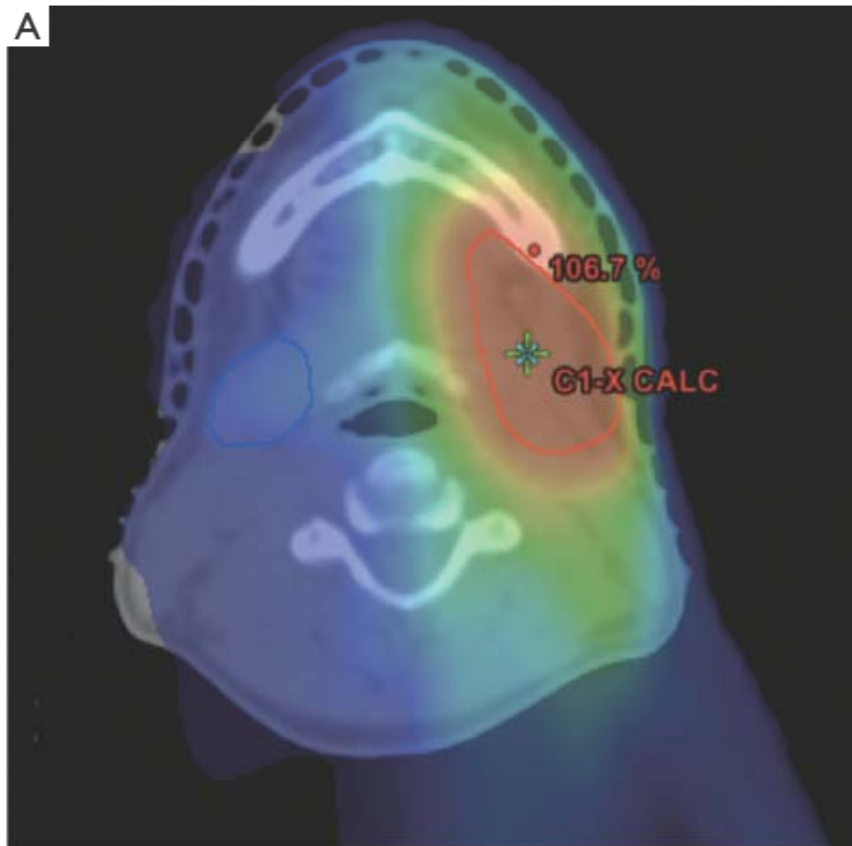


| | 3D conventional | IMRT |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| PTV: mean/max (Gy) | 65.6/68.2 | 66.9/69.9 |
| Ipsilat. cochlea: mean/max (Gy) | 23.4/44.6 | 18.9/35.2 |
| Ipsilat. mastoid: mean/max (Gy) | 53.7/66.5 | 48.8/68.7 |
| Contralat. subm: mean/max (Gy) | 9.2/10.4 | 4.0/6.8 |
| Contralat. parotid: mean/max (Gy) | 7.6/8.9 | 2.8/7.5 |
| Ipsilat. eye: mean/max (Gy) | 6.3/19.0 | 3.9/11.6 |

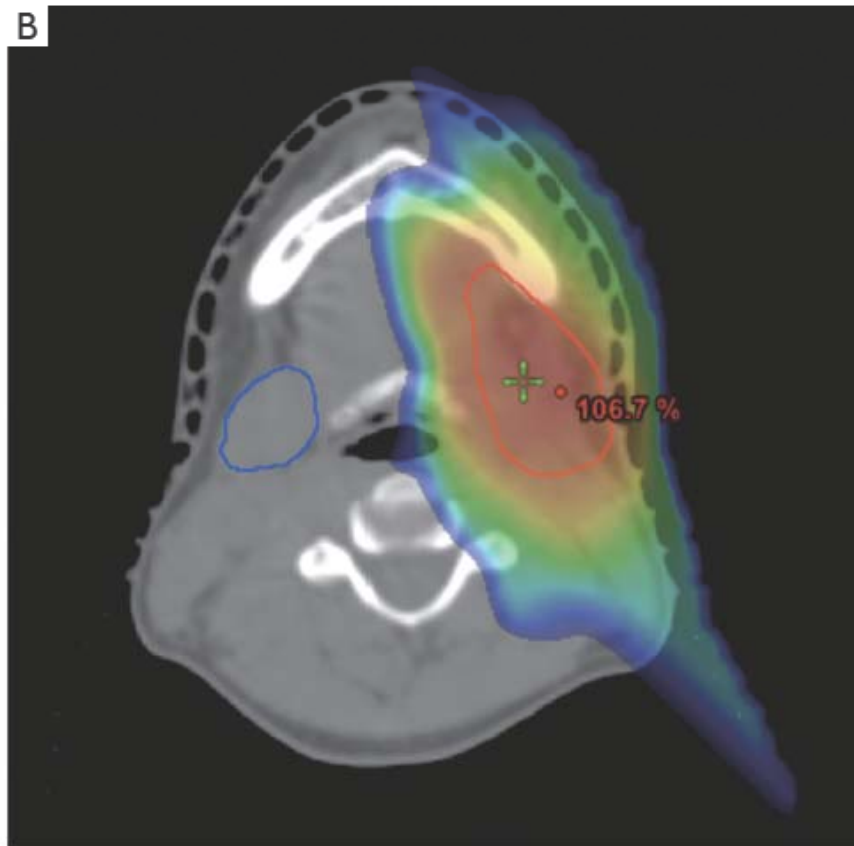
From Chris Terhaard

Protons?

IMRT

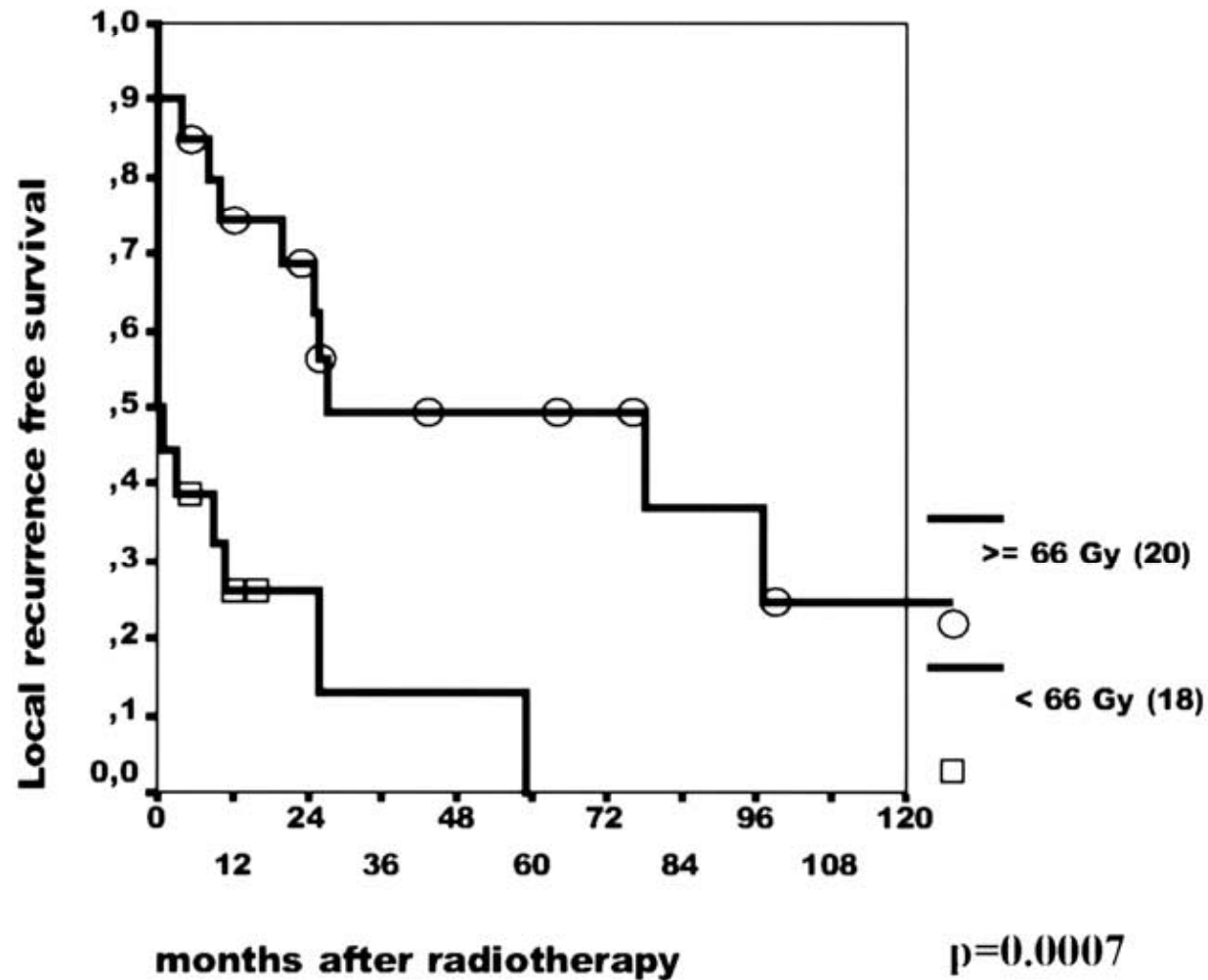


Proton (DS)



Primary radiotherapy - dose?

Dutch HN Oncology Cooperative Group



DAHANCA Radiotherapy Guidelines - 2013

| | Structure | Dose constraint OAR [Gy] | Dose constraint PRV [Gy] | Comments and organ definition | References |
|----------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| ABSOLUTE | Brain stem | $D_{max} \leq 54\text{Gy}$ | $D_{max} \leq 60\text{Gy}$ | Treating $\leq 10\text{ cm}^3$ of OAR to a maximum of 59 Gy results in a very low risk of neurological damage. If it is necessary for target coverage it can be done after thorough patient information and consent. Delineation: From the top of dens (in order to avoid overdosing medulla) to the bottom of 3 rd ventricle (since cranial border is difficult to identify on CT). | Mayo et al. IROBP vol 76 (3) S36-S41, 2010 |
| | Spinal cord | $D_{max} \leq 45\text{Gy}$ | $D_{max} \leq 50\text{Gy}$ | Risk for neurological damage is estimated to 6 % for doses at 60 Gy. Limited overdosage may therefore be allowed in order to achieve target coverage after thorough patient information and consent. Delineation: Spinal cord <i>not</i> spinal canal. | Kirkpatrick et al. IROBP 76 (3) s42-9, 2010 |
| MUST | Anterior eye (conjunctiva, lacrimal gland, cornea, iris)* | $D_{max} \leq 30\text{Gy}$ | $D_{max} \leq 35\text{Gy}$ | Even if constraints are not met for other parts of the optic pathways the anterior eye may be worth sparing in order to preserve the eye in situ. In case of severe dry eye syndrome the eye must often be removed. *The lenses have been removed from the list of OAR since it is contained in the anterior eye OAR and side effects may be treated. | Jeganathan et al. IROBP 79 (3) 650-9, 2011 DAHANCA 2004 |
| | Chiasm and optic nerve | $D_{max} \leq 54\text{Gy}$ | $D_{max} \leq 60\text{Gy}$ | $D_{max} \leq 55\text{ Gy}$ leads to a very low risk of side effects. Doses above 60 Gy leads to above 7% estimated risk. Dose constraint can be violated in order to achieve target coverage after thorough patient information and consent. | Mayo et al IROBP 76 (3) S28-35, 2010 RTOG0615 |
| | Posterior eye (retina) | $D_{max} \leq 45\text{Gy}$ | $D_{max} \leq 50\text{Gy}$ | Retinopathy is seen after doses as low as 30 Gy, and doses must be kept as low as possible. There is a volume effect and eg. Lateral retina can be spared separately. | DAHANCA 2004 Jeganathan et al. IROBP 79 (3) 650-9, 2011 |
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|------------|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| SHOULD | Cochlea | $D_{mean} \leq 45\text{Gy}$ og $D_{95\%} \leq 55\text{Gy}$ | Cochlea is delineated (hypodense area in the temporal bone anterior of the internal auditory canal). Risk of clinical relevant hearing loss may be as high as 15% at mean doses of 47 Gy when using concomitant cisplatin. | Bhandare et al. IROBP 76 (3) 5 pp 550-57, 2010; Chan et al IROBP 73, (5) 1335-1342, 2009; Hitchcock et al IROBP 73 (3) 779-88, 2009 |
| | Parotid gland | 1) Contralateral parotid: $D_{mean} \leq 20\text{Gy}$ 2) Both parotids: $D_{mean} \leq 26\text{Gy}$ | A gradual reduction of function is seen from 10-40 Gy. Mean doses should be kept as low as possible. | DAHANCA 2004 Deasy et al IROBP 76 (3) 558-63, 2010 |
| | Mandible | Hotspots in the mandible should be avoided | | <i>Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys.</i> 2010 April ; 76(5): 1333-1338 |
| MAY | Pituitary gland | $D_{mean} \leq 30\text{Gy}$ | No observed threshold. Hormonal changes may occur after >30 Gy and may require follow up by endocrinologist | Darzy et al. Pituitary (2009) 12:40-50 |
| | Brain | $D_{max} \leq 60\text{Gy}$ | At $D_{max}=72\text{ Gy}$ the risk of necrosis is 5% after 5 years. Cognitive disturbances may be seen after lower doses. The entire brain is delineated. | Lawrence et al. IROBP vol 76 (3) 520-27, 2010 |
| | Submandibular gland | $D_{mean} \leq 35\text{Gy}$ | The submandibular gland is a part of level Ib and should only be spared if level I or II are not parts of the target | Deasy et al IROBP 76 (3) 558-63, 2010 |
| | Oral cavity | $D_{mean} \leq 30\text{Gy}$ for non-involved oral cavity | Delineation: Mobile tongue, floor of mouth cheeks and hard palate. | RTOG 1016 |
| | Lips | $D_{mean} \leq 20\text{Gy}$ | | RTOG 1016 |
| | Larynx | $D_{mean} \leq 44\text{ Gy}$ | Delineation: larynx including arytenoidea from the hyoid bone to cricoid cartilage | Rancanti et al. IROBP 76 (3) s64-69, 2010 |
| | Thyroid gland | $D_{mean} \leq 40\text{ Gy}$ | No specific threshold has been identified and the endpoint is uncertain in the literature. Thyroid stimulating hormone should be controlled at doses above constraint according to local guidelines | Garcia-Serra AJCO 28, (3) June 2005 p 255-8 Boomsma R&O 99(2011)1-5 |
| Oesophagus | $D_{mean} \leq 30\text{Gy}$ | Delineation: Below the cricoid cartilage to the top of the manubrium | RTOG 1016 | |

Absolute: Organs of critical importance that must be prioritized over target coverage as a rule.

Must: Serial organs that must be delineated but not necessarily prioritized over target coverage.

Should: Parallel organs with good evince for sparing or serial organs with severe side effects if damaged.

May: Poor evidence, uncertain endpoints or manageable toxicity. Organs may be delineated according to local guidelines/research projects. Swallowing structures may be included here.

Priorities and penalties

1. Critical normal tissues, potentially lethal complication

- Spinal cord
- Brain stem

2. Target coverage

- GTV
- CTV1

3. Critical serial normal tissues

- Anterior eye
- Chiasm
- Posterior eye and optic nerve
- Cochlea

4. Target coverage

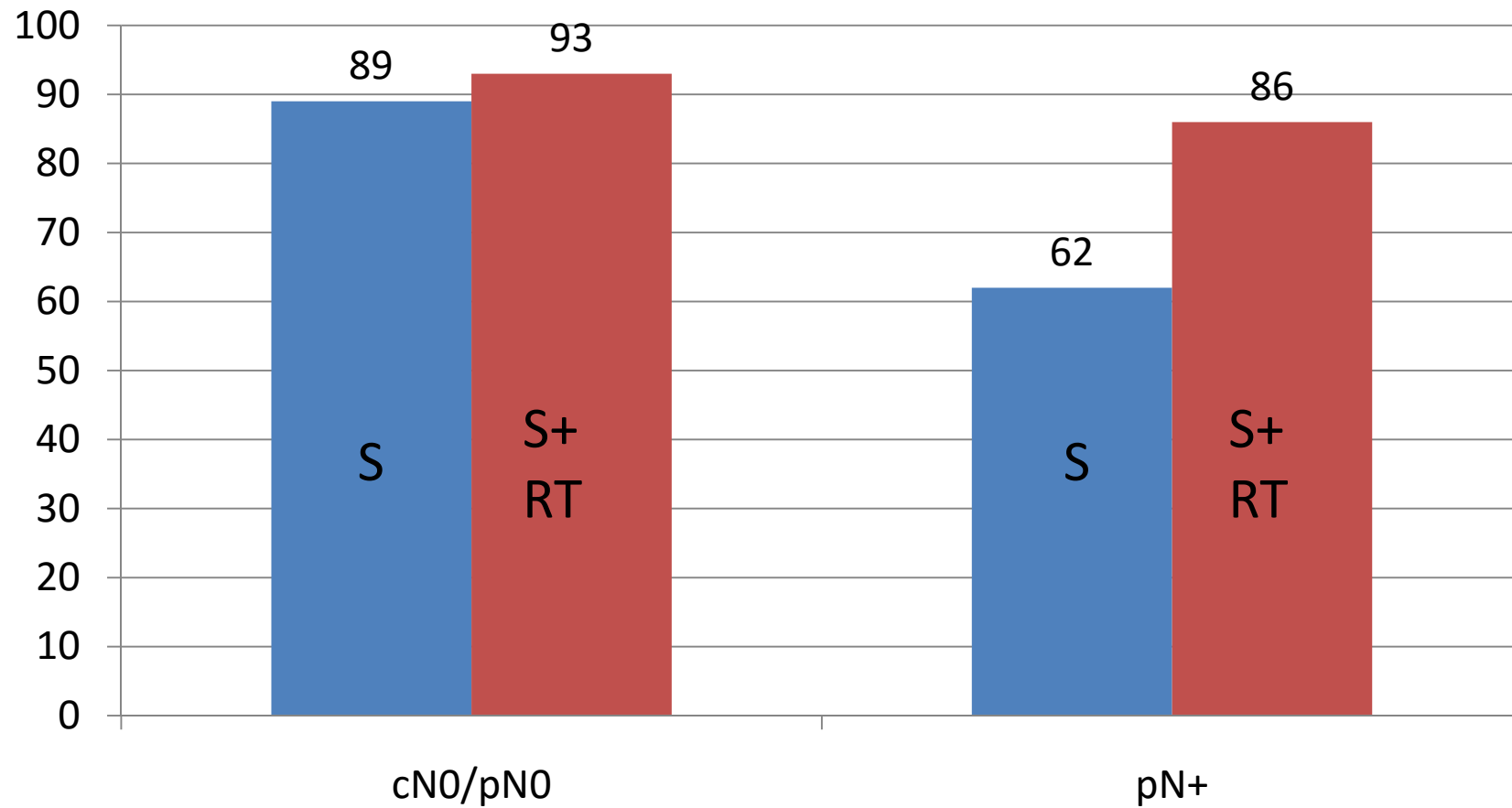
- PTV1
- PTV2
- PTV3

5. Sensitive normal tissues

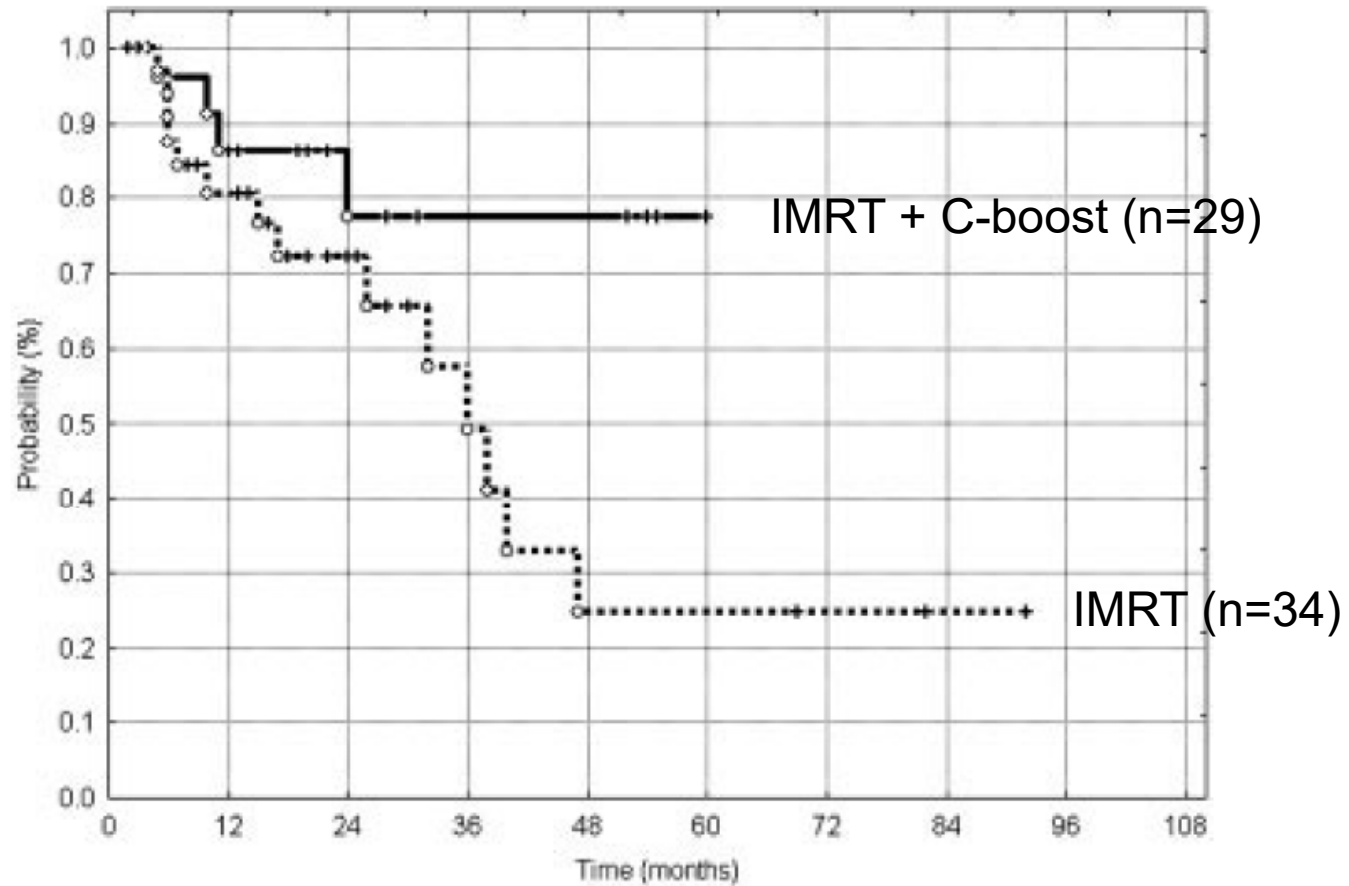
- Brain
- Contralateral parotid
- Larynx
- Oesophagus
- Lips
- Oral cavity
- Submandibular gland
- Ipsilateral parotid gland
- Mandible
- Circumference
- Thyroid gland
- Pituitary gland

Elective neck irradiation?

+/- Neck RT in salivary gland RT



Adenoid cystic ca – carbon ion boost Heidelberg



Summary – key points

- Primary management is surgery; radical RT can be used in inoperable cases
- Postoperative radiotherapy is recommended in cases of
 - incomplete surgery, T3-T4, pN+, perineural extension, ACC and other high risk pathologies
- Doses of 60–70 Gy should be applied to the CTV
- Ipsilateral RT; wedge pair 3DCRT or IMRT
- Isolated neck recurrences or distant metastases are rare and elective nodal irradiation is only indicated in N+ patients
- Protons, carbon ions and systemic therapy are still experimental

Recurrent/metastatic squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck

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- **Squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck**
- Salivary gland tumor
- Nasopharyngeal

- **Diagnosis**
- Prognosis
- Lung metastases: surgery ?
- Re-irradiation and salvage surgery
- Chemotherapy
- Molecular biology and targeted therapies
- Immunotherapy

Diagnosis

- Between 40-60% of patients will relapse in the head and neck area without distant metastases.
- Imaging sometimes difficult due to the morphological modification of the local tissues induced by previous surgery and/or (chemo)radiation.
- The differential diagnosis includes radionecrosis, infection, and scar from previous treatment(s).
- **Effort should be made to obtain pathological confirmation**
- **PET/scan**

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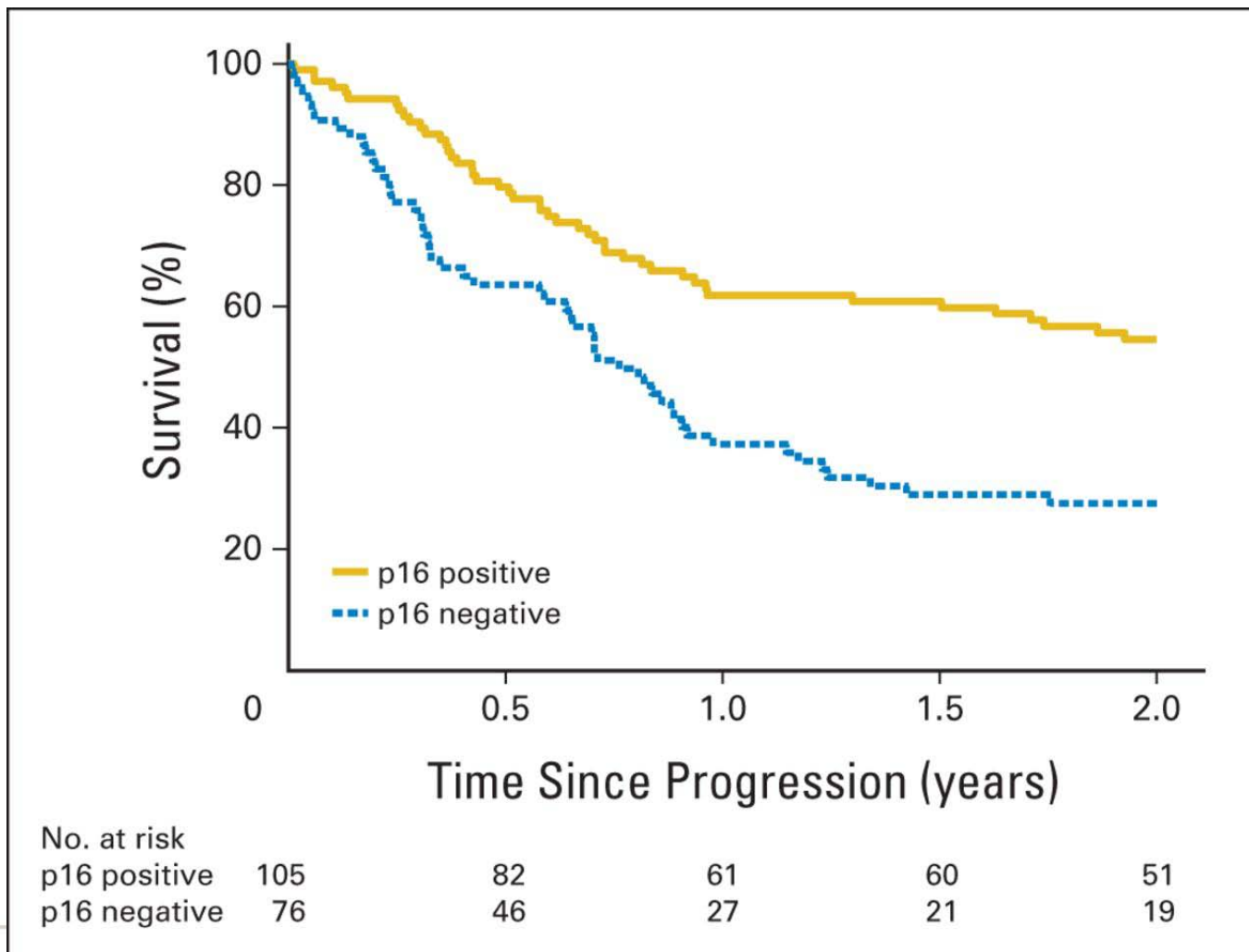
Prognosis

Prognostic factors in patients with recurrent or metastatic SCCHN treated with cisplatin-based chemotherapy in two phase III trials (E1393 and E1395)

| Prognostic factors for poor survival in the multivariate analysis (n=399) | p |
|---|---------|
| Weight loss > 5% | 0.0004 |
| ECOG 1 vs 0 | 0.0016 |
| Well and moderate differentiation | 0.028 |
| Primary tumor oral cavity or hypopharynx | 0.011 |
| Prior radiation therapy | <0.0001 |

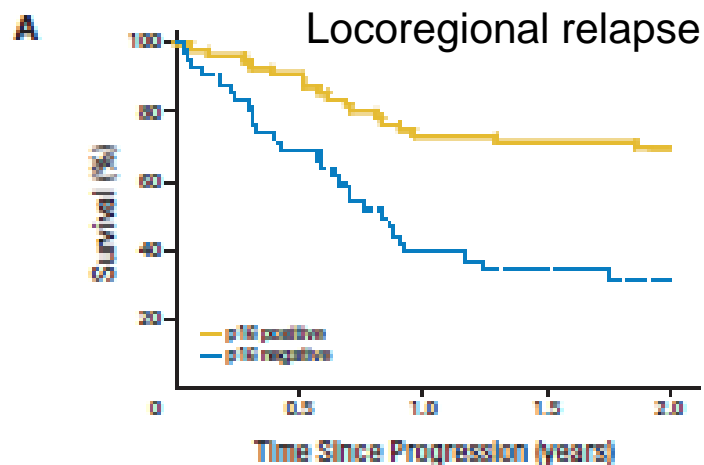
- 0-2 unfavorable prognostic factors: median OS = one year.
- 3-5 unfavorable prognostic factors: median OS = six months ($p < 0.0001$)

Prognosis: p16 and recurrent disease

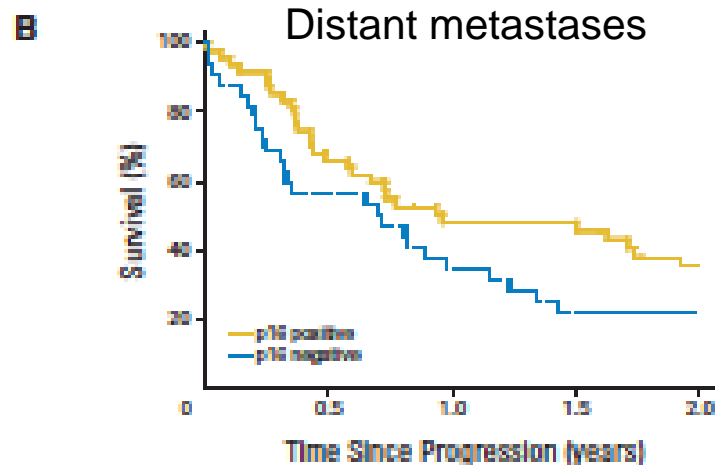


Carole Fakhry et al. JCO 2014;32:3365-3373

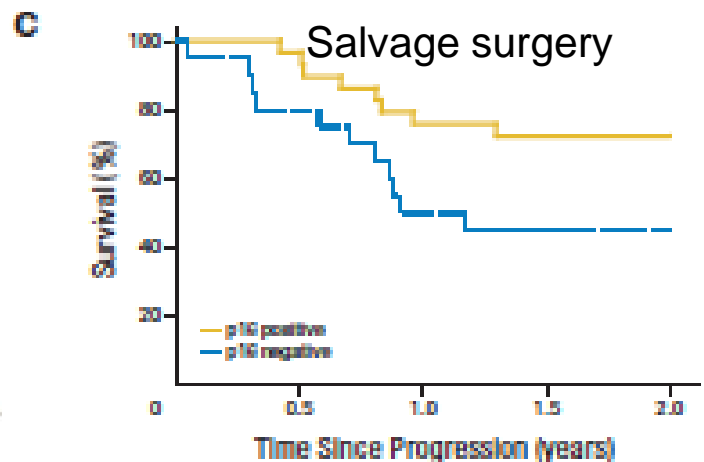
Prognosis: p16 and recurrent disease



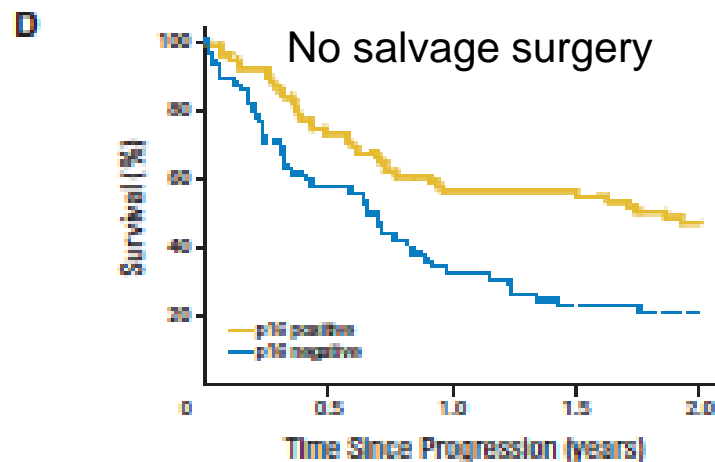
| No. at risk | 0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 |
|--------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| p16 positive | 57 | 51 | 41 | 40 | 38 |
| p16 negative | 43 | 38 | 16 | 14 | 12 |



| No. at risk | 0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 |
|--------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| p16 positive | 48 | 31 | 20 | 20 | 13 |
| p16 negative | 30 | 18 | 11 | 7 | 7 |



| No. at risk | 0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 |
|--------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| p16 positive | 29 | 28 | 22 | 21 | 21 |
| p16 negative | 20 | 16 | 10 | 9 | 9 |



| No. at risk | 0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 |
|--------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| p16 positive | 30 | 24 | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| p16 negative | 26 | 18 | 12 | 12 | 12 |

Prognosis

Other prognostic factors included:

- comorbidity
- ongoing tobacco and alcohol use
- hypercalcemia
- response to prior treatment
- social support

- Diagnosis
- Prognosis
- **Lung metastases: surgery ?**
- Re-irradiation and salvage surgery
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Lung metastases: surgery ?

- The differential diagnosis must be made taking with a second primary cancer, particularly if curative treatment can be proposed.
- The rate of synchronous pulmonary tumors is around 4%
- The overall incidence of metachronous second primary cancers is 2% per year.

Lung metastases: surgery ?

- The 5-year survival after pulmonary metastasectomy: 26.5-59.5%
- It is reasonable to recommend lung resection
 - for a single cancerous lung nodule.
- For two or more lung metastases: to be discussed within a multidisciplinary team.

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(Re)irradiation or salvage surgery

- Between 20-57% of patients treated with radiation therapy will develop local and/or regional relapse
- Re-irradiation and salvage surgery: discuss within the multidisciplinary team

(Re)irradiation or salvage surgery

DIAGNOSIS

Recurrent or Persistent disease

Locoregional recurrence without prior RT

Locoregional recurrence or second primary with prior RT

Distant metastases^e

Resectable

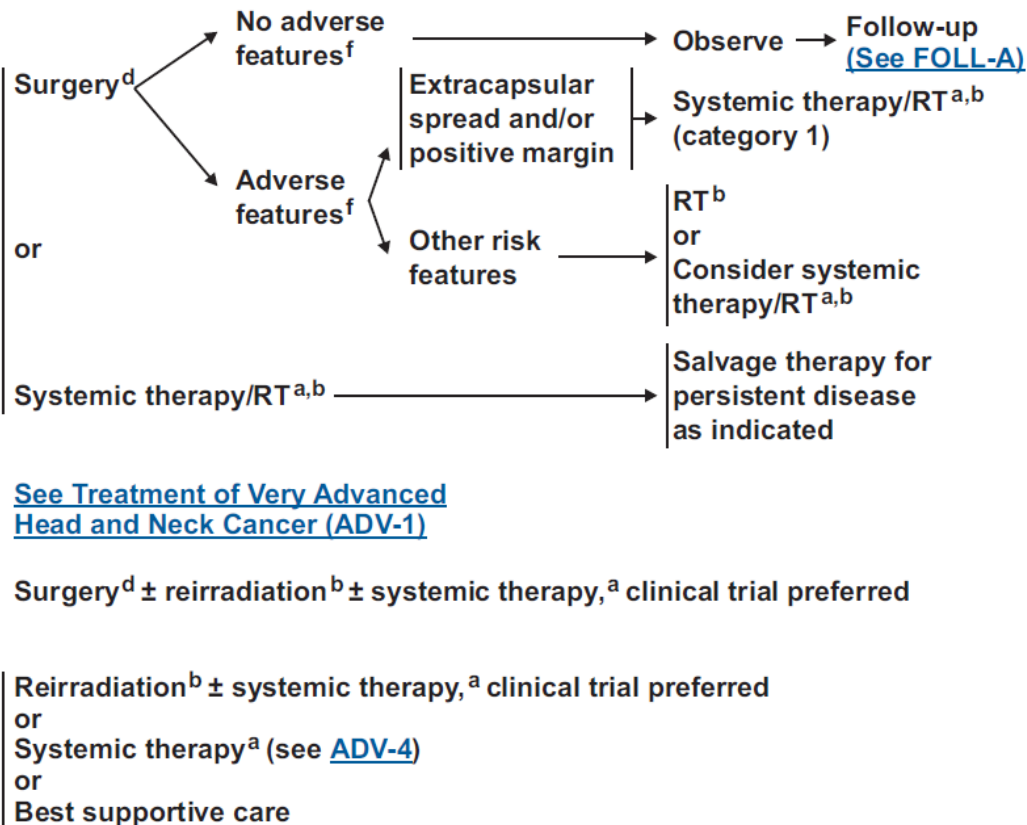
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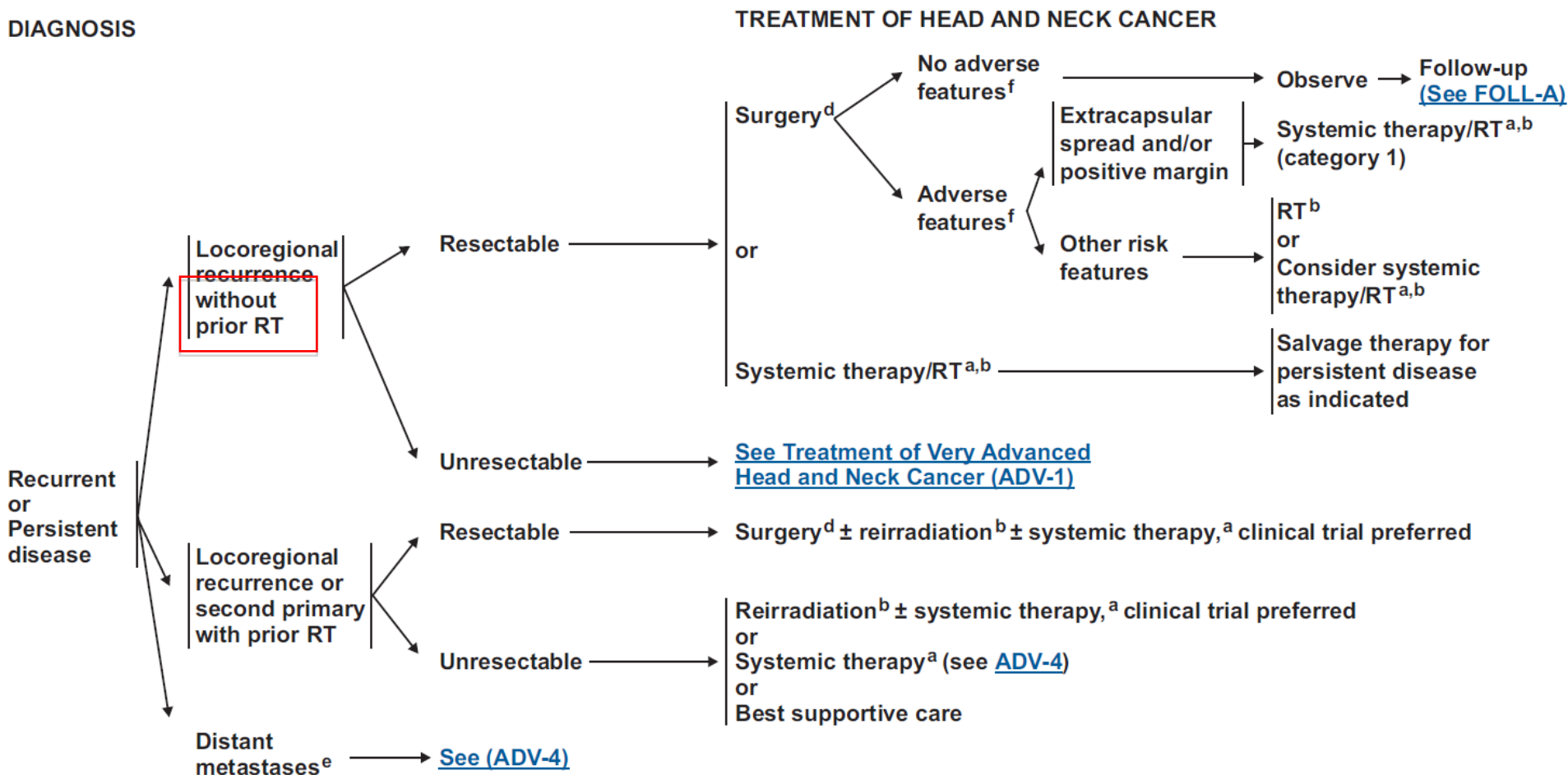
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TREATMENT OF HEAD AND NECK CANCER



(Re)irradiation or salvage surgery

DIAGNOSIS



(Re)irradiation or salvage surgery

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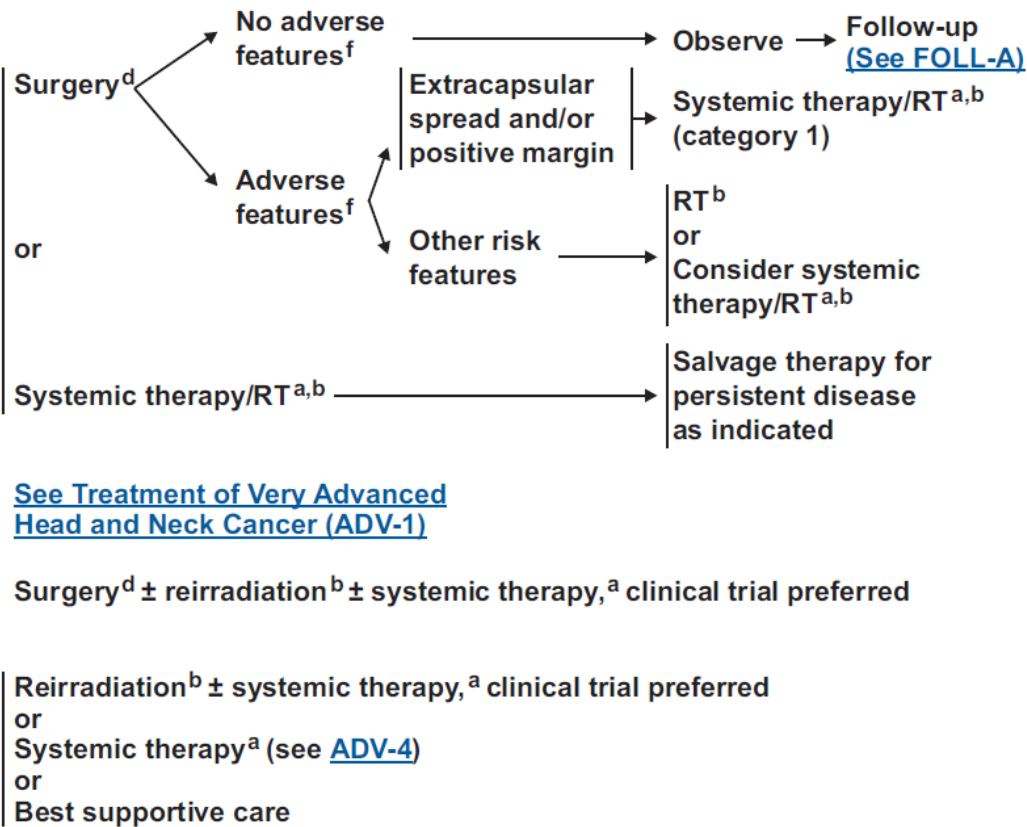
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TREATMENT OF HEAD AND NECK CANCER



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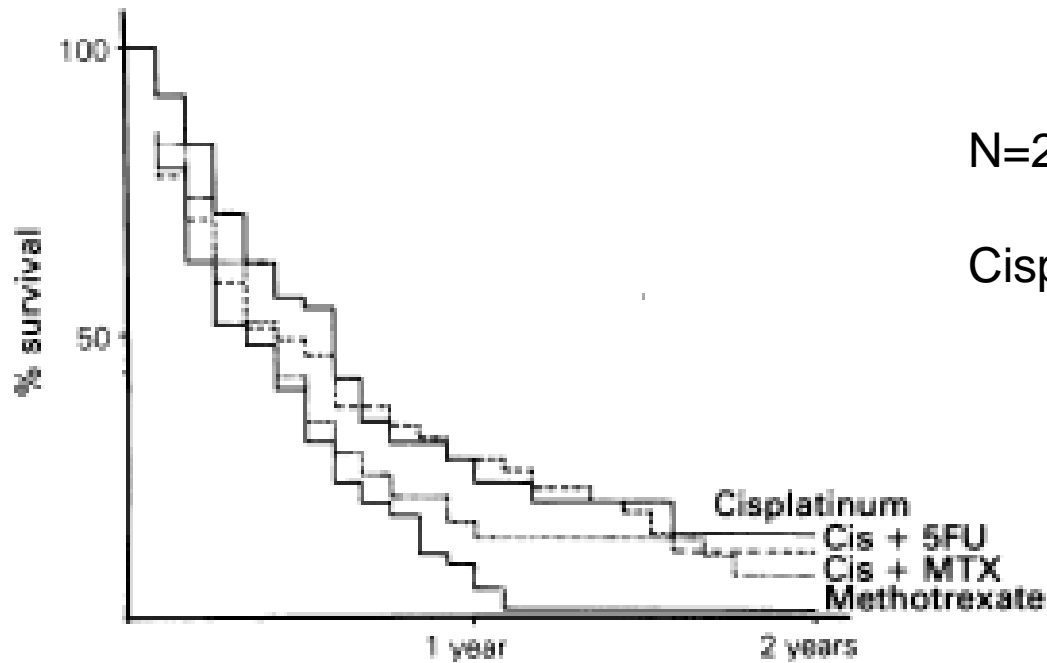
Single-agent response rate

| | Response rate (%) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Cisplatin | 14-41% |
| Carboplatin | 20-30% |
| Oxaliplatin | 10% |
| | |
| Methotrexate | 8-77% |
| | |
| 5-Fluorouracil | 15% |
| Capecitabine | 8% |
| | |
| Docetaxel | 21-42% |
| Paclitaxel | 13-40% |

Randomized trials chemotherapy versus BSC

- One trial:
 - BSC (n=26) versus bleomycin (n=22) versus cisplatin (n=38) versus cisplatin plus bleomycin (n=30).
- The conclusions were
 - cisplatin improved survival compared with BSC by 10 weeks
 - cisplatin was better than bleomycin or methotrexate
 - cisplatin monotherapy (median survival: 160 days) was at least as effective as the platinum-based combinations.

Randomized trials chemotherapy versus BSC



N=200

Cisplatin vs methotrexate ($p=0.025$)

Figure 1 Survival curves of all four groups.

Randomized trials mono vs polychemotherapy

| Regimens | N | ORR (%) | Median survival (months) |
|--|------------|--|--|
| Cisplatin/5-FU vs Cisplatin vs 5-FU | 249 | 32% 17% 13% | 5.5 5 6.1 |
| Cisplatin/methotrexate/ bleomycine/vincristine vs Cisplatin/5-FU vs Cisplatin | 382 | 34% 31% 15% | 8.2 6.2 5.3 |

Randomized trials mono vs polychemotherapy

| Regimens | N | ORR (%) | Median survival (months) |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Cisplatin/5-FU | 277 | 32% | 6.6 |
| vs Carboplatin/5-FU | | 21% | 5 |
| vs Methotrexate | | 10% | 5.6 |
| *Cisplatin/pemetrexed* | 795 | 12.1% | 7.3* |
| vs Cisplatin | | 8.0% | 6.3 |
| | | | p= 0.082 |

* ECOG 0-1: OS (8.4 vs 6.7 months; p=0.026)
 Oropharyngeal: OS (9.9 vs 6.1 months; p=0.002)

Jacobs et al JCO 2002, Clavel et al Ann Oncol 1994,
 Forastiere et al JCO 1992, Urba et Cancer 2012

Randomized trials with taxanes

| Regimens | N | ORR (%) | Median survival (months) |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Cisplatin/5-FU | 218 | 27% | 8.7 |
| <i>versus</i> | | | |
| Cisplatin/paclitaxel | | 26% | 8.1 |

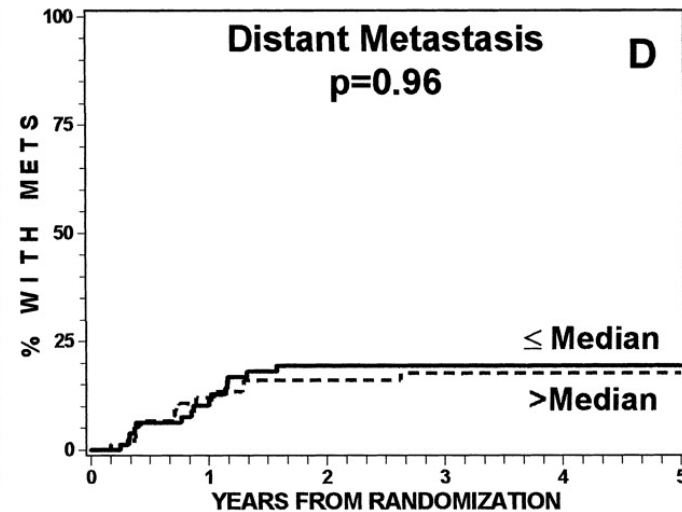
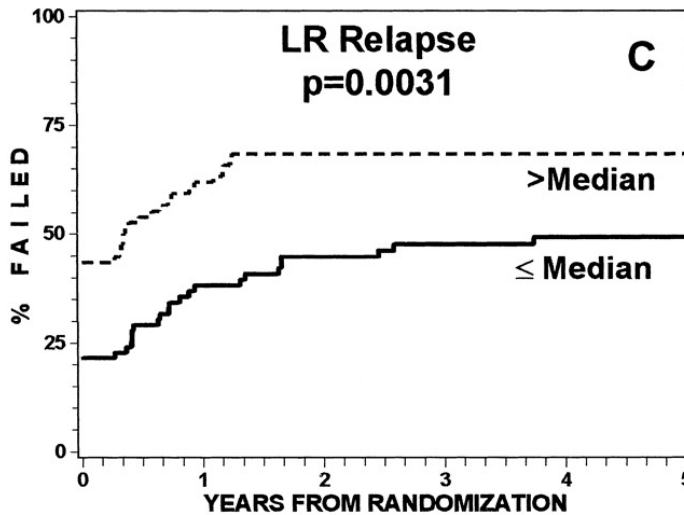
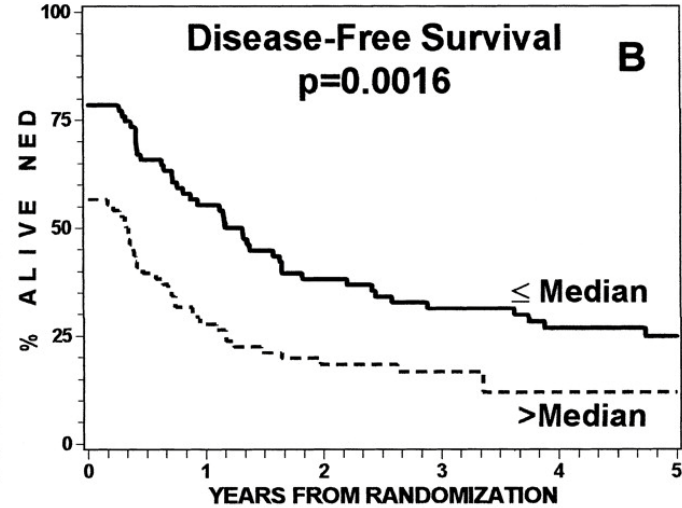
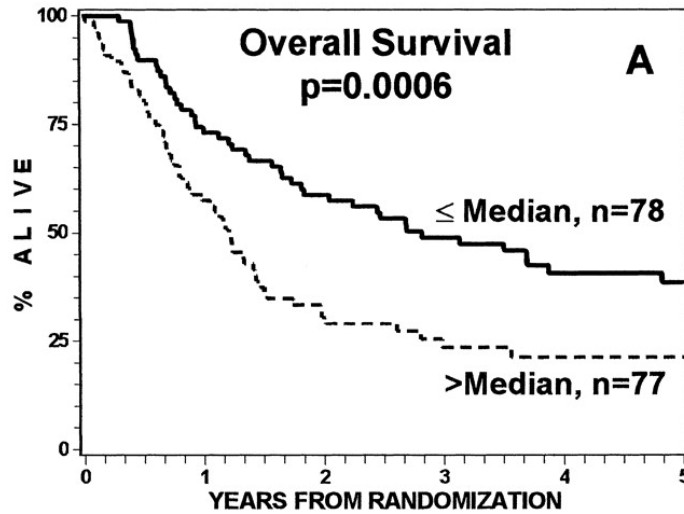
- Cisplatin (100 mg/m², day 1)/5-FU (1000 mg/m²/d, day 1-4), every 3 weeks
- Cisplatin (75 mg/m², day 1)/paclitaxel (175 mg/m², day 1), every 3 weeks

Chemotherapy: conclusions

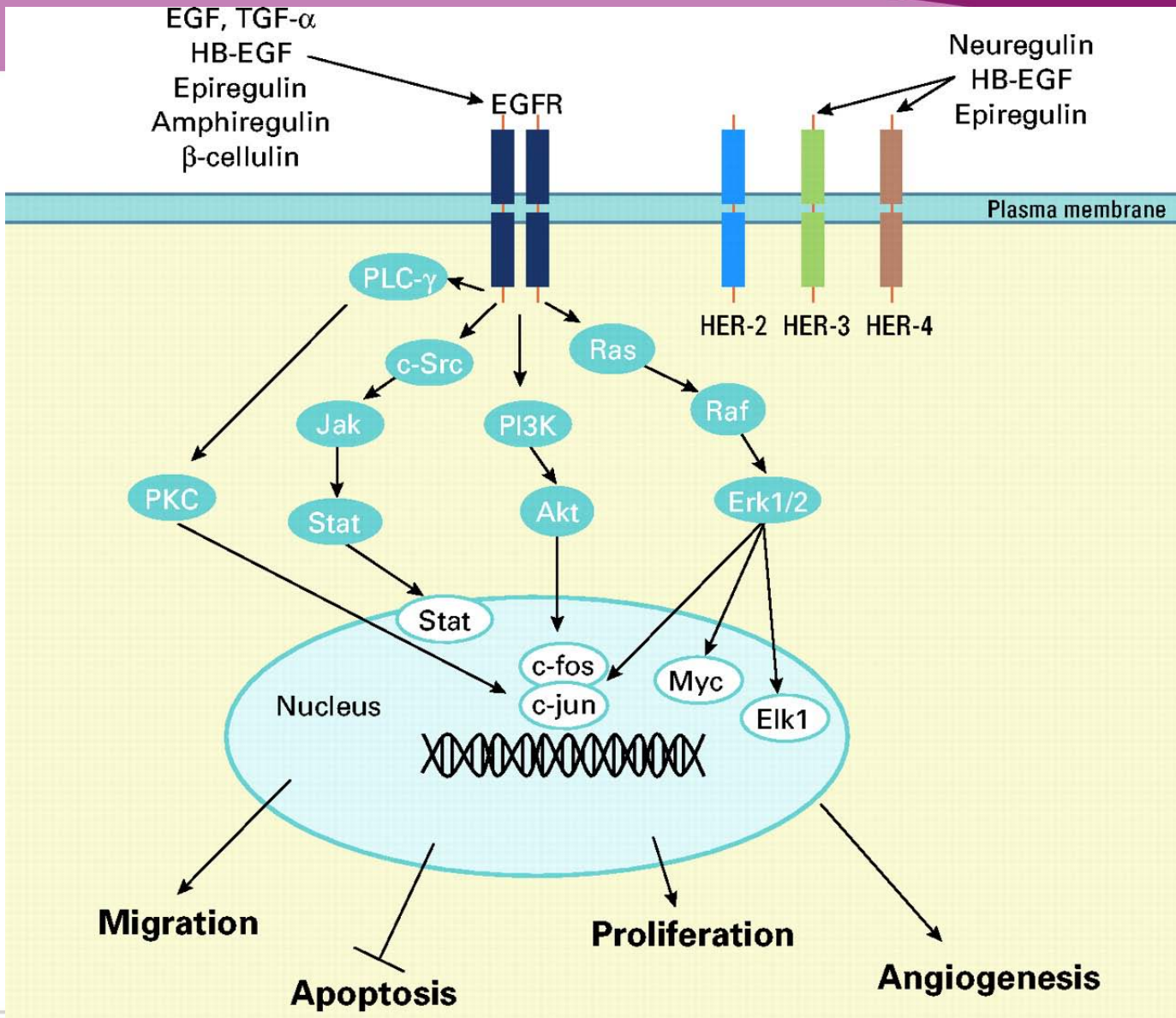
- Median survival of patients is 6-8 months
- No evidence that chemotherapy prolongs survival
- Polychemotherapy versus monochemotherapy:
 - Higher response rate
 - More toxic
 - No improvement in survival
- Cisplatin /5-FU
- Cisplatin /paclitaxel
- Methotrexate (40 mg/m²/every week)

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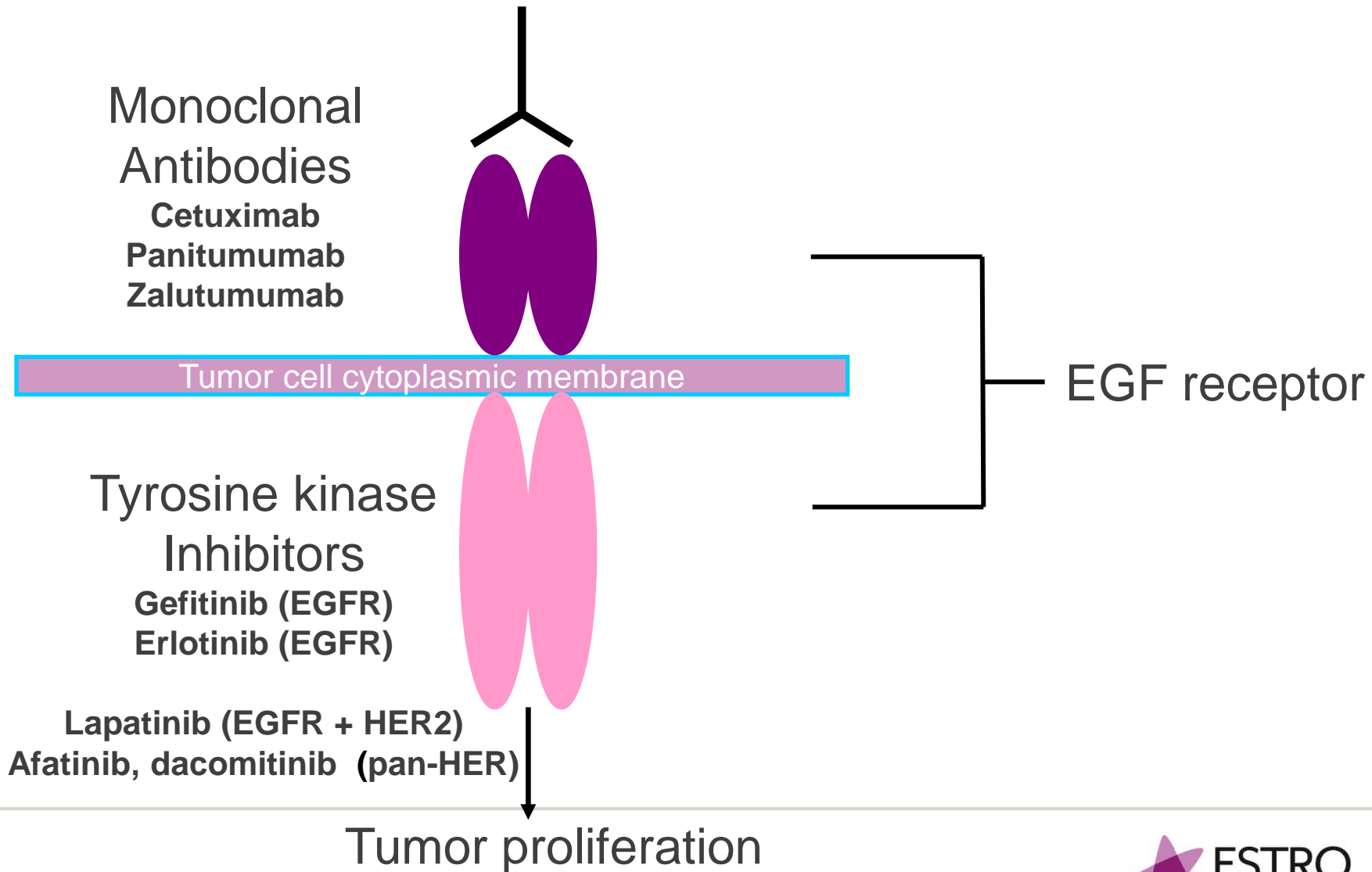
EGFR overexpression and prognosis



Ang, K. K. et al. Cancer Res 2002;62:7350-7356



HER1 or EGFR targeting



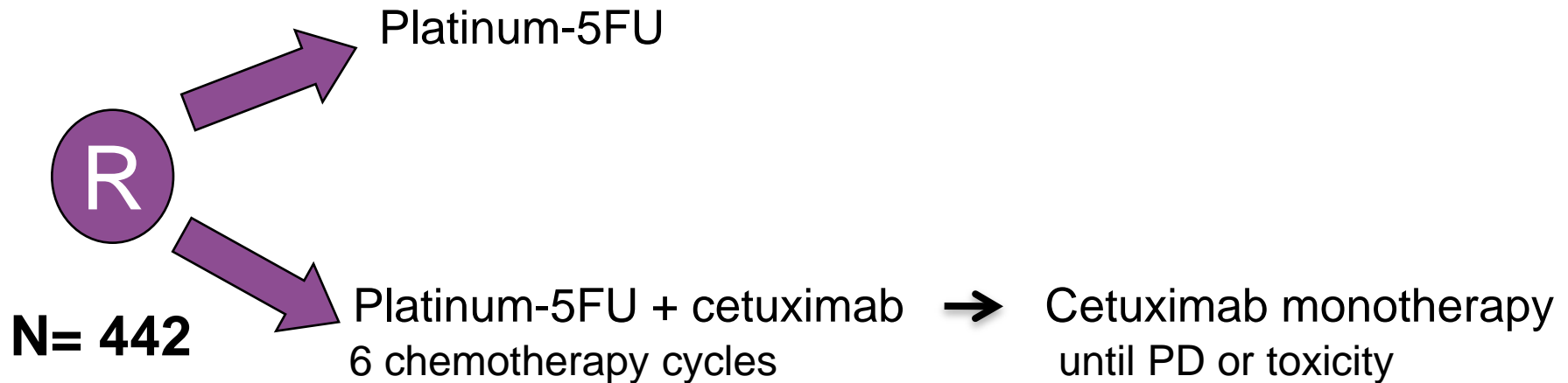
- **Anti-EGFR first-line palliative treatment: mAbs**
- **Anti-EGFR second line: mAbs and TKIs**

Recurrent/metastatic: first-line

| Study | N | Regimens | Median PFS | Median Survival |
|-----------------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Vermorken NEJM 2008 | 220 | Platin/5-Fluorouracil | 3.3 months* | 7.4 months* |
| | 222 | Platin/5-FU/cetuximab | 5.6 months* | 10.1 months* |
| Vermorken Lancet Oncol 2013 | 330 | Cisplatin/5-Fluorouracil | 4.6 months* | 9 months |
| | 327 | Cisplatin/5-FU/panitumumab | 5.8 months* | 11.1 months |

Platin/5-FU vs platin/5-FU plus cetuximab

EXTREME Trial: first line palliative treatment



Primary endpoint: survival

Extreme trial

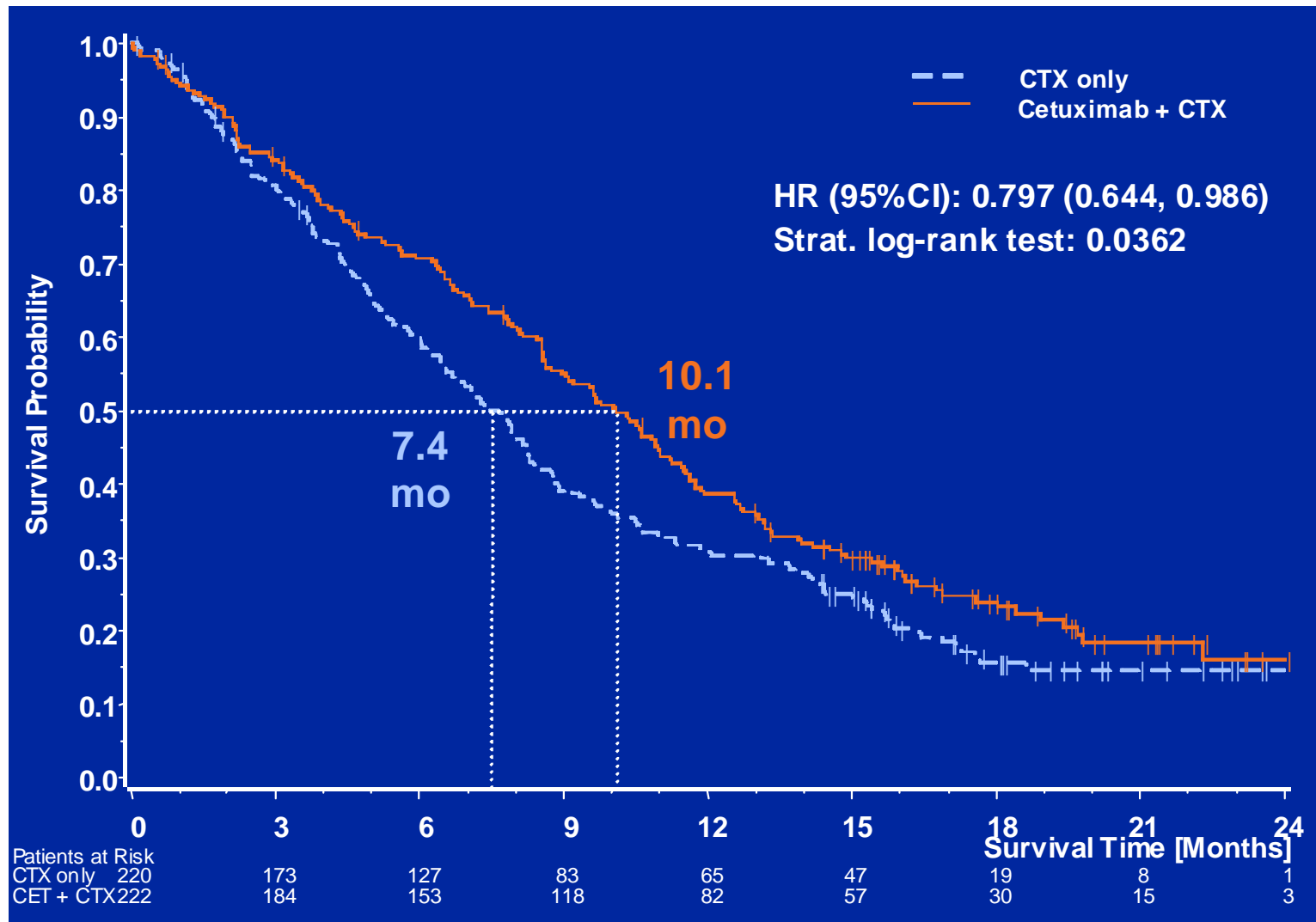


Table 3. Grade 3 or 4 Adverse Events in the Safety Population.^a

| Event | Cetuximab plus Platinum-Fluorouracil (N = 219) | | Platinum-Fluorouracil Alone (N = 215) | | P Value [†] |
|---------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|----------------------|
| | Grade 3 or 4 | Grade 4 | Grade 3 or 4 | Grade 4 | |
| | <i>number of patients (%)</i> | | | | |
| Any event | 179 (82) | 67 (31) | 164 (76) | 66 (31) | 0.19 |
| Neutropenia | 49 (22) | 9 (4) | 50 (23) | 18 (8) | 0.91 |
| Anemia | 29 (13) | 2 (1) | 41 (19) | 2 (1) | 0.12 |
| Thrombocytopenia | 24 (11) | 0 | 24 (11) | 3 (1) | 1.00 |
| Leukopenia | 19 (9) | 4 (2) | 19 (9) | 5 (2) | 1.00 |
| Skin reactions [‡] | 20 (9) | 0 | 1 (<1) | 0 | <0.001 |
| Hypokalemia | 16 (7) | 2 (1) | 10 (5) | 1 (<1) | 0.31 |
| Cardiac events [§] | 16 (7) | 11 (5) | 9 (4) | 7 (3) | 0.22 |
| Vomiting | 12 (5) | 0 | 6 (3) | 0 | 0.23 |
| Asthenia | 11 (5) | 1 (<1) | 12 (6) | 1 (<1) | 0.83 |
| Anorexia | 11 (5) | 2 (1) | 3 (1) | 1 (<1) | 0.05 |
| Hypomagnesemia | 11 (5) | 8 (4) | 3 (1) | 1 (<1) | 0.05 |
| Febrile neutropenia | 10 (5) | 2 (1) | 10 (5) | 4 (2) | 1.00 |
| Dyspnea | 9 (4) | 2 (1) | 17 (8) | 5 (2) | 0.11 |
| Pneumonia | 9 (4) | 3 (1) | 4 (2) | 1 (<1) | 0.26 |
| Hypocalcemia | 9 (4) | 5 (2) | 2 (1) | 0 | 0.06 |
| Sepsis (including septic shock) | 9 (4) | 6 (3) | 1 (<1) | 1 (<1) | 0.02 |
| Tumor hemorrhage | 3 (1) | 2 (1) | 6 (3) | 4 (2) | 0.33 |
| Decreased performance status | 2 (1) | 1 (<1) | 4 (2) | 4 (2) | 0.45 |
| Respiratory failure | 1 (<1) | 0 | 5 (2) | 4 (2) | 0.12 |

**These regimens
can be TOXIC**

Recurrent and/or metastatic non-curative disease

- Anti-EGFR first-line palliative treatment: mAbs
- **Anti-EGFR second line: mAbs and TKIs**

Anti-EGFR monoclonal antibodies

Platinum-5FU + anti-EGFR
6 chemotherapy cycles



anti-EGFR moAbs monotherapy
until PD or toxicity

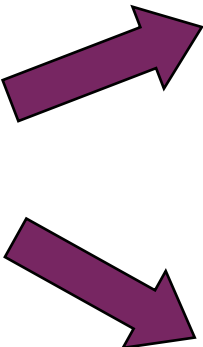
Platinum-based CT
6 chemotherapy cycles



anti-EGFR moAbs monotherapy
at PD

What is the best option ?

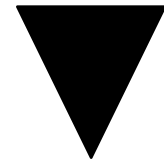
Anti-EGFR monoclonal antibodies after platinum



Pooled of three prospective phase II trials with cetuximab monotherapy or with platin (N=278)

Retrospective study of patients who received various second-line treatments (N=194)

5.2 - 6.1 months



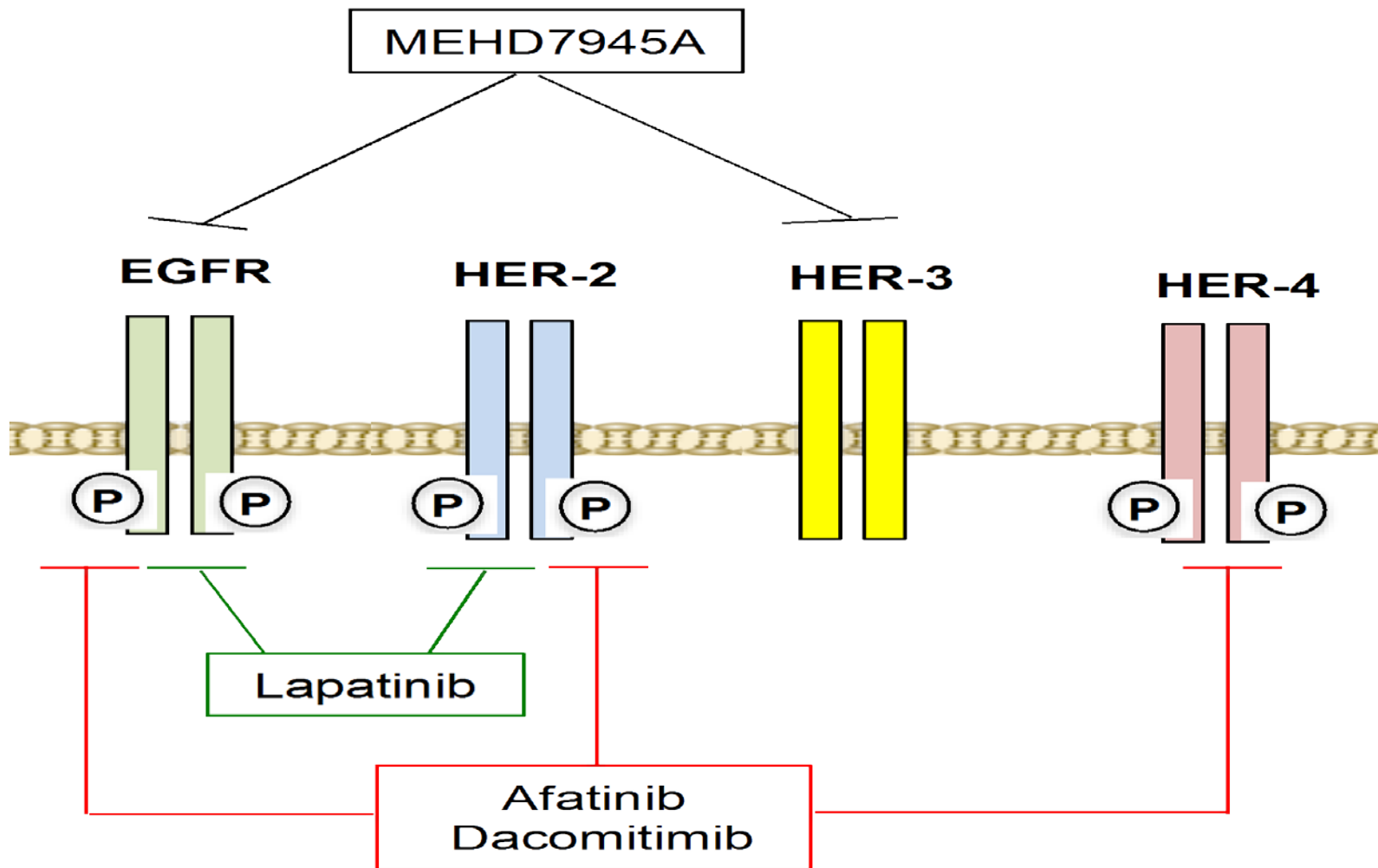
3.4 – 3.6 months



FDA approval

Anti-EGFR failed in second-line

| Study | N | Regimens | ORR | Median PFS | Median Survival |
|----------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------|-------|------------|-----------------|
| Stewart JCO 2009 | 161 | Methotrexate <i>versus</i> | 3.9% | NA | 5.6 months |
| | 158 | Gefitinib 250 mg/day <i>versus</i> | 2.7% | | 6 months |
| | 167 | Gefitinib 500 mg/day | 7.6% | | 6.7 months |
| Argiris JCO 2009 | 136 | Docetaxel + placebo <i>versus</i> | 6.2% | NA | 6 months |
| | 134 | Docetaxel + gefitinib | 12.5% | | 7.3 months |
| Machiels Lancet Oncol 2011 | 95 | BSC or methotrexate <i>versus</i> | 1.1% | 8.4 weeks | 5.2 months |
| | 191 | Zalutumumab | 6.3% | 9.9 weeks* | 6.7 months |



EGFR/HER3 or pan-HER inhibition

| Study | N | Regimens | ORR | Median PFS | Median Survival |
|------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------------|
| Fayette ESMO LBA 2014 | 62 | Cetuximab <i>versus</i> | 14.5% | 4 months | 8.5 months |
| | 59 | MEHD7945A | 11.9% | 4.1 months | 7.2 months |
| Machiels** Lancet Oncol 2015 | 161 | Methotrexate <i>versus</i> | 5.6% | 1.7 months | 6 months |
| | 322 | Afatinib | 10.2% | 2.6 months* | 6.8 months |

* Statistically significant

** Previous used of cetuximab allowed

Who is going to response ?

| | |
|--|-------------|
| EGFR overexpression: | NO |
| <i>EGFR</i> polysomy or amplification: | NO |
| K-ras mutations | Rare in H&N |
| P16 or HPV | ? |

Who is going to response ? HPV or p16 no clear answer

| Study | N | N | Population | Benefit |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Rosenthal ASCO 2014 | Radiotherapy/ cetuximab | p16+ = 44; p16- = 109 | Stage III/IV | p16- : HR: 0.9 (OS) |
| | Radiotherapy | p16+ = 39; p16- = 120 | | p16+: HR: 0.45 |
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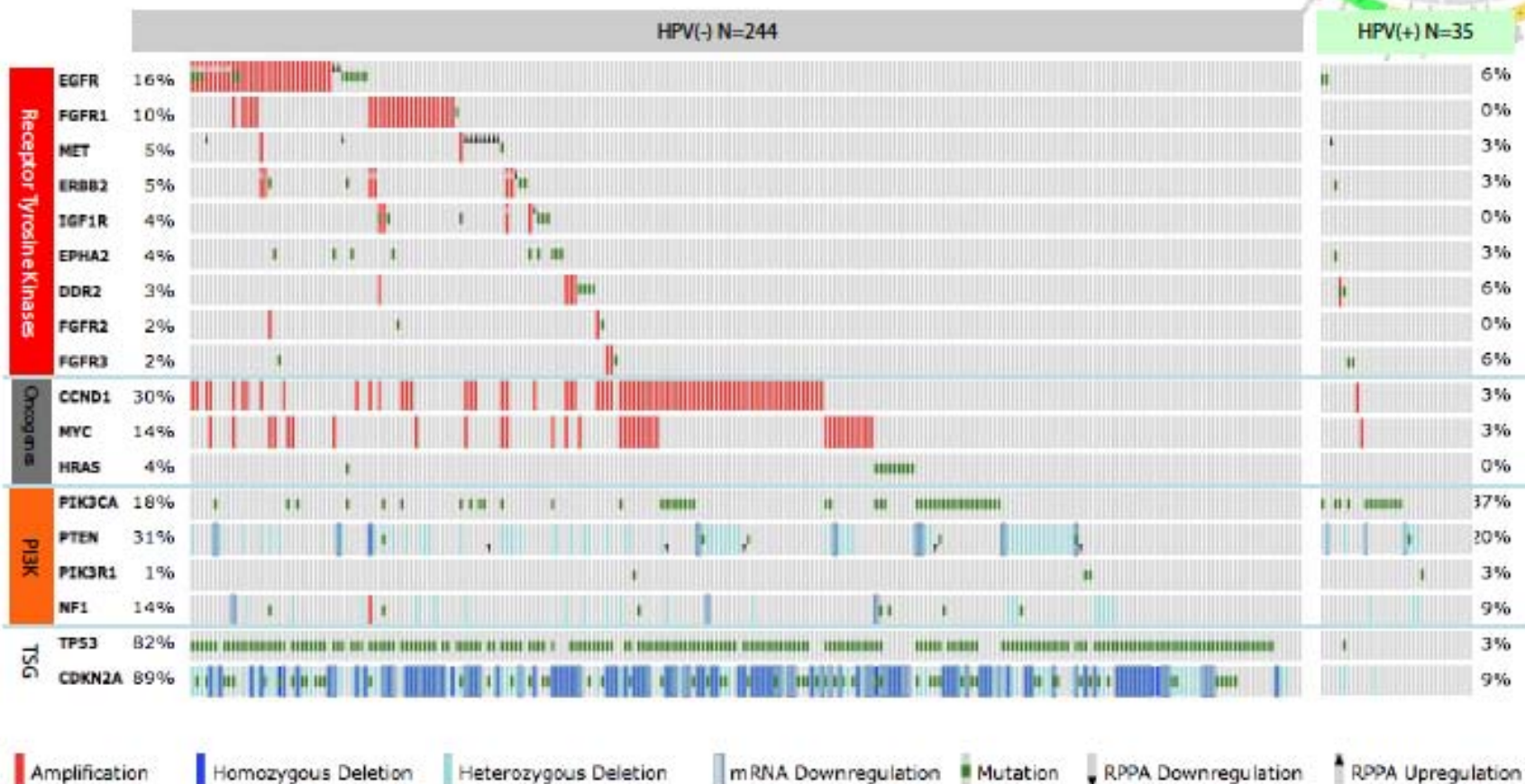
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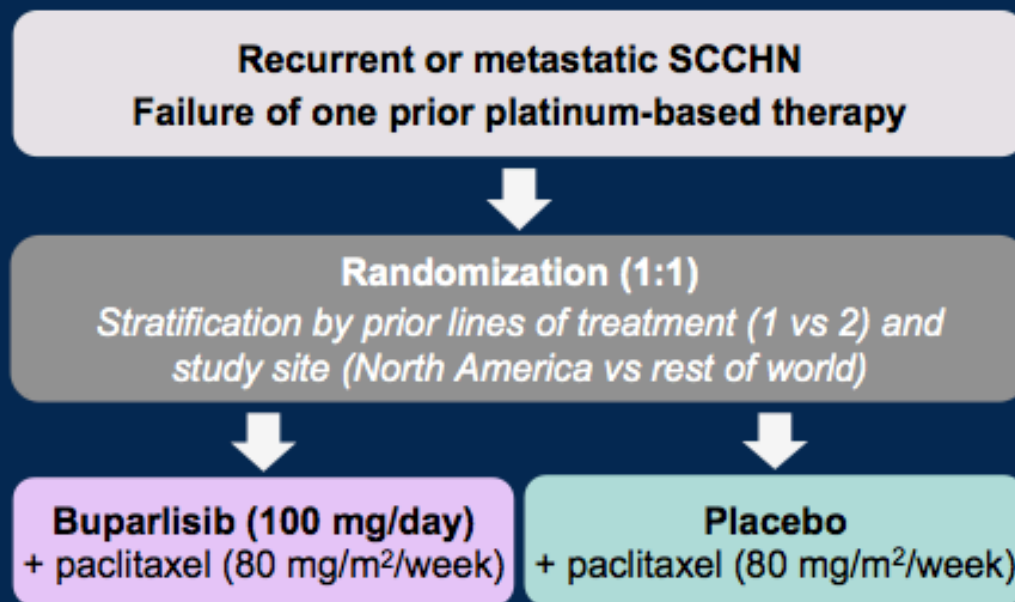
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| - Very low number of patients in the p16 positive group | | | | .9 |
| - p16 positive group included non-oropharyngeal sites | | | | .45 |
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Candidate Therapeutic Targets

Analysis – Tanguy Seiwert, Niki Schultz



BERIL-1: A Phase II, Randomized, Placebo-controlled Study of Buparlisib and Paclitaxel In Platinum-pretreated Advanced SCCHN



Primary endpoint

- PFS (local assessment, RECIST v1.1)

Key secondary endpoint

- OS

Secondary endpoints

- ORR, DCR, DoR
- Safety/tolerability
- Pharmacokinetics
- HRQoL

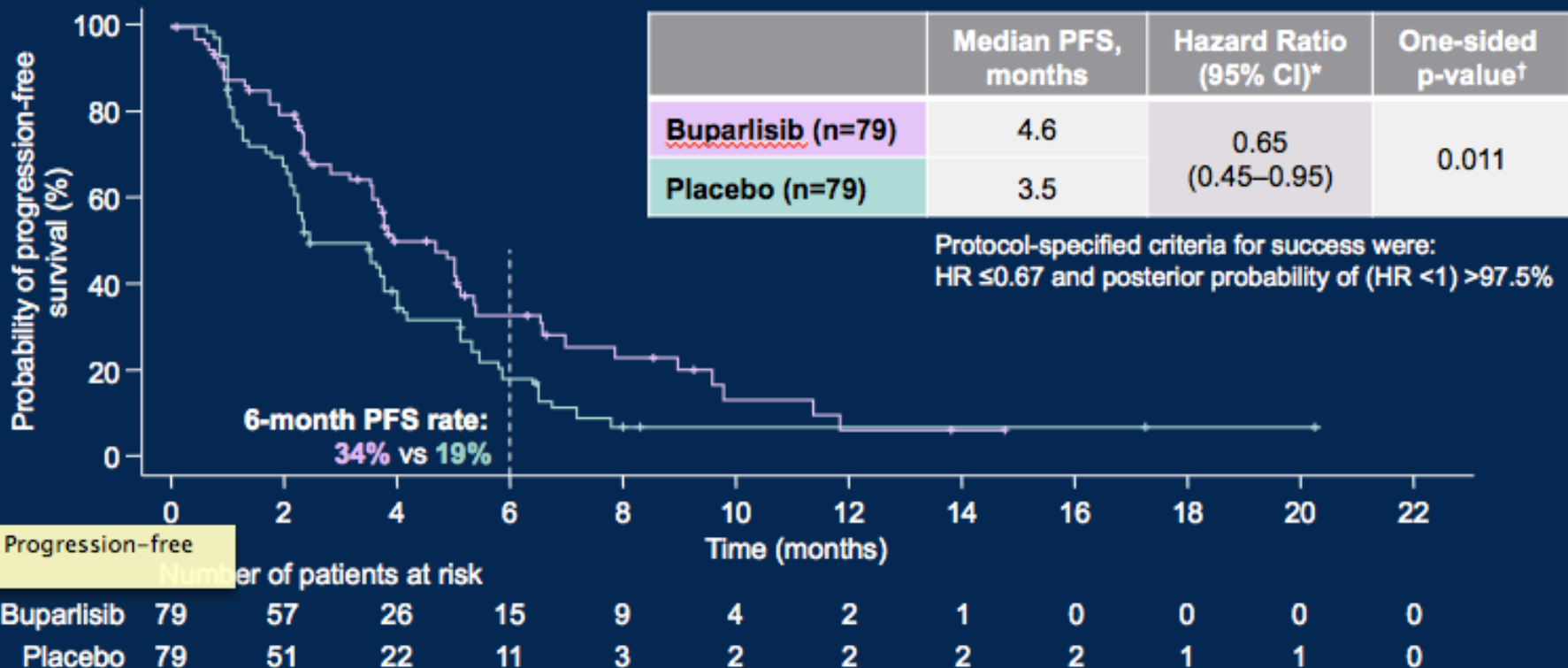
Exploratory biomarker assessments

- PI3K pathway activation status
- HPV status
- Molecular alterations in ctDNA/tumor tissue

ctDNA, circulating tumor DNA; DCR, disease control rate; DoR, duration of response; HPV, human papillomavirus; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors.
BERIL-1 (ClinicalTrials.gov NCT01852292) involved 58 trial sites in 18 countries.

BERIL-1 Primary Endpoint: Progression-free Survival

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Endpoint: Progression-free

Number of patients at risk

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buparlisib | 79 | 57 | 26 | 15 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Placebo | 79 | 51 | 22 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

CI, confidence interval.

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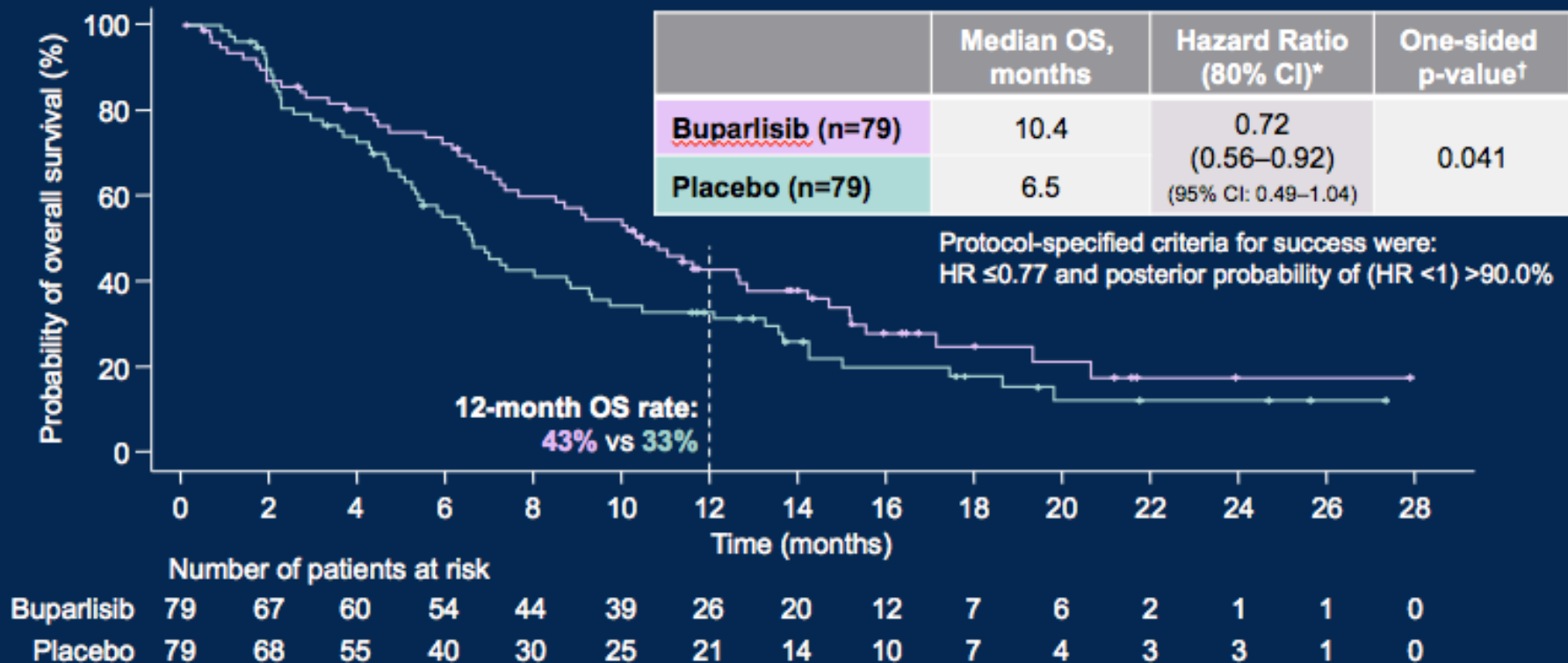
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Soulières D *et al.* ASCO
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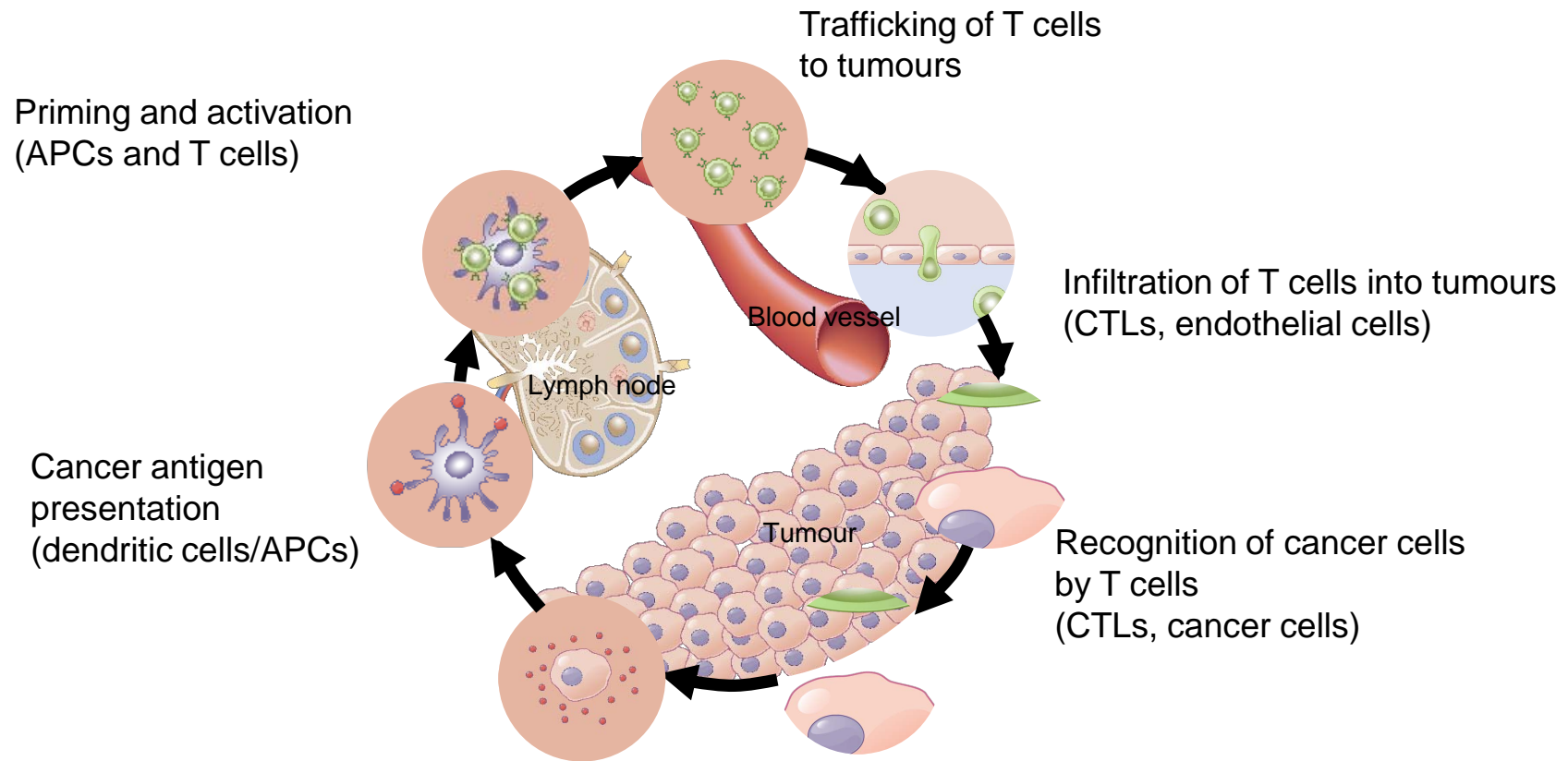
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- Diagnosis
- Prognosis
- Lung metastases: surgery ?
- Re-irradiation and salvage surgery
- Chemotherapy
- Molecular biology and targeted therapies
- **Immunotherapy**

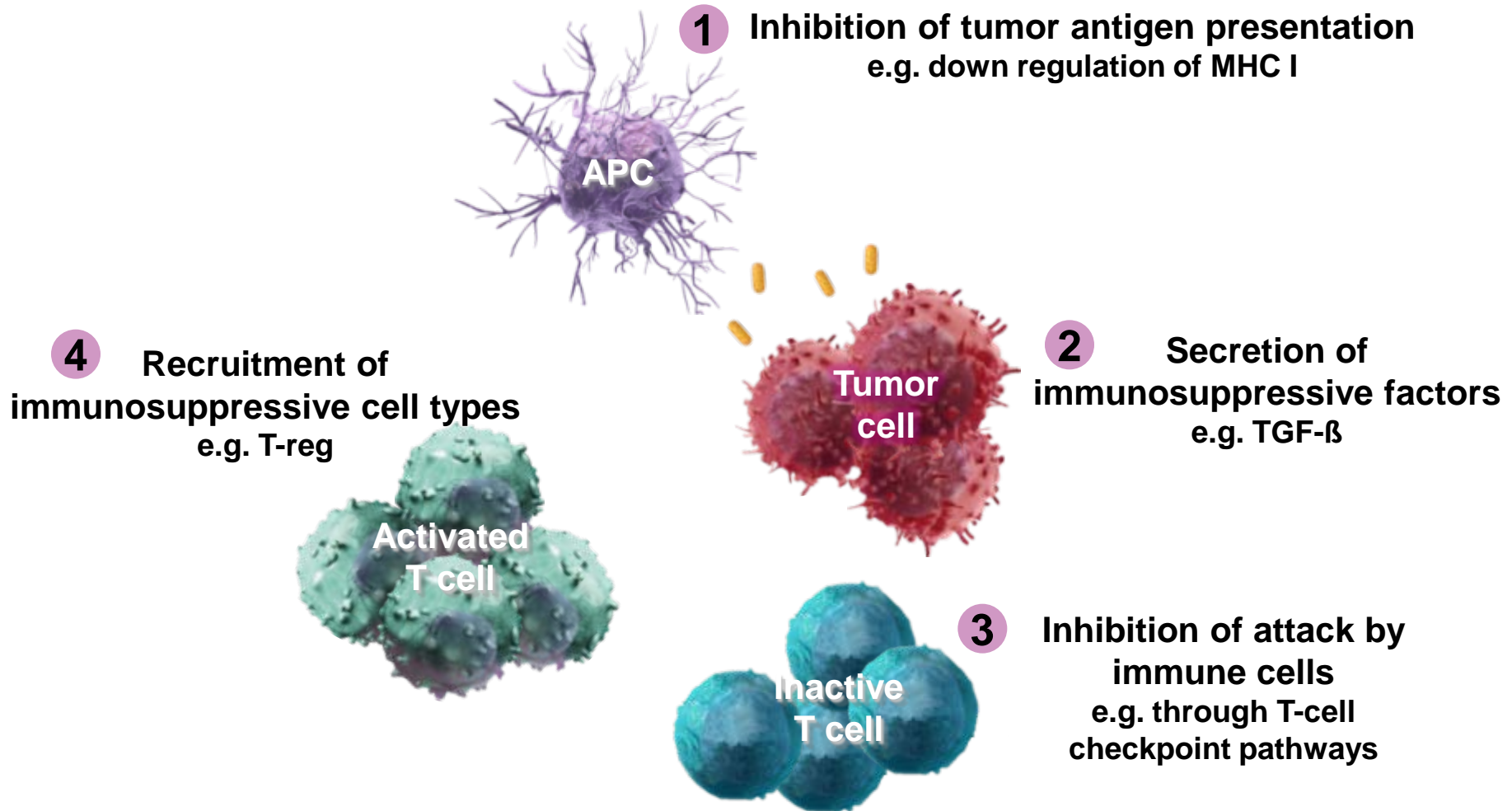
The cancer-immunity cycle



CTL = cytotoxic T cell.

Chen DS, Mellman I. *Immunity* 2013;39.

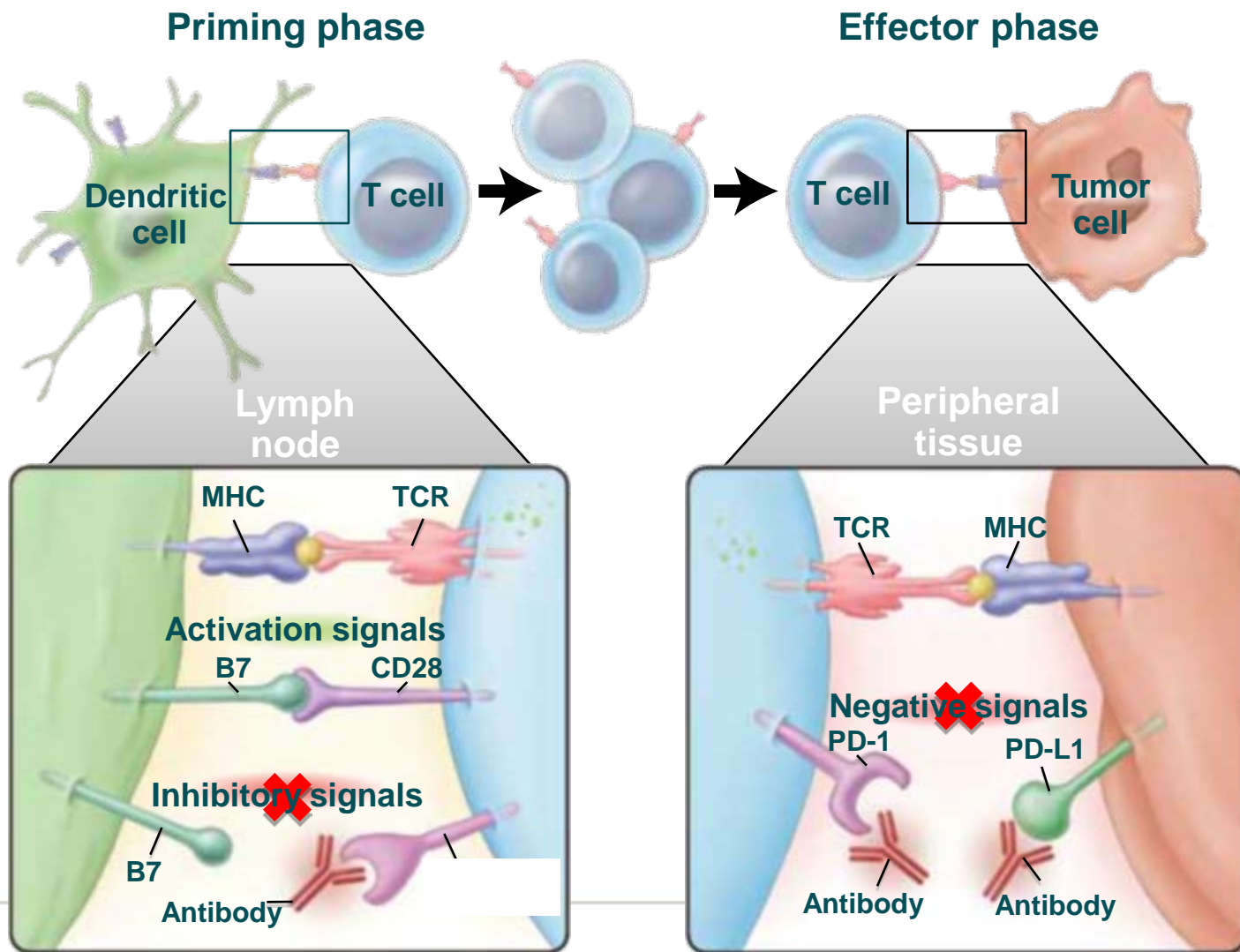
Tumors use complex, overlapping mechanisms to evade and suppress the immune system



MHC = major histocompatibility complex; TGF- β = tumor growth factor- β .

Drake CG, et al. *Adv Immunol.* 2006;90:51–81; Vesely MD, et al. *Annu Rev Immunol.* 2011;29:235–271.

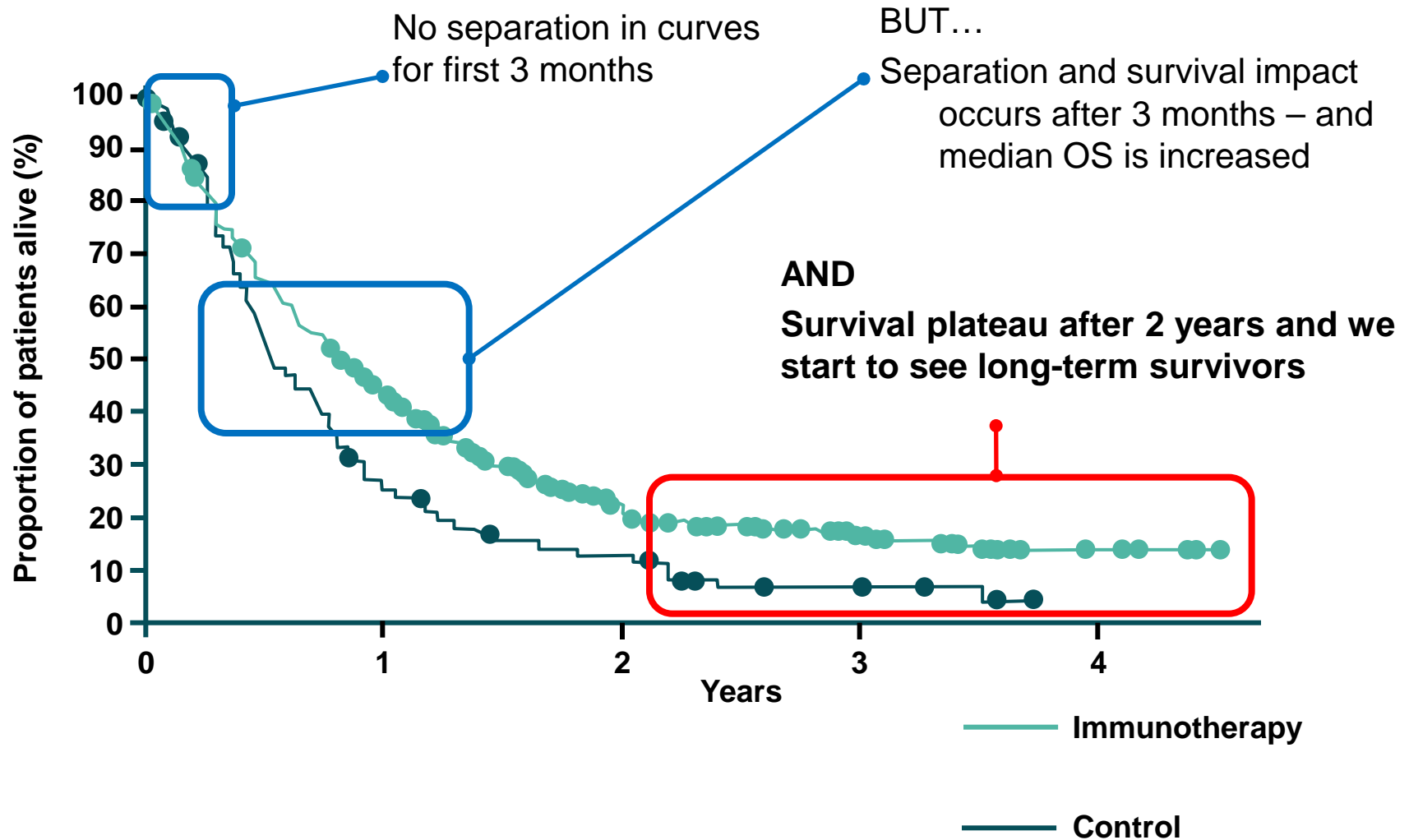
The role of immune checkpoint pathways in the immune response



TCR = T-cell receptor; PD-L1 = programmed death-ligand 1.

Ribas A. *N Engl J Med.* 2012;366:2517-2519.

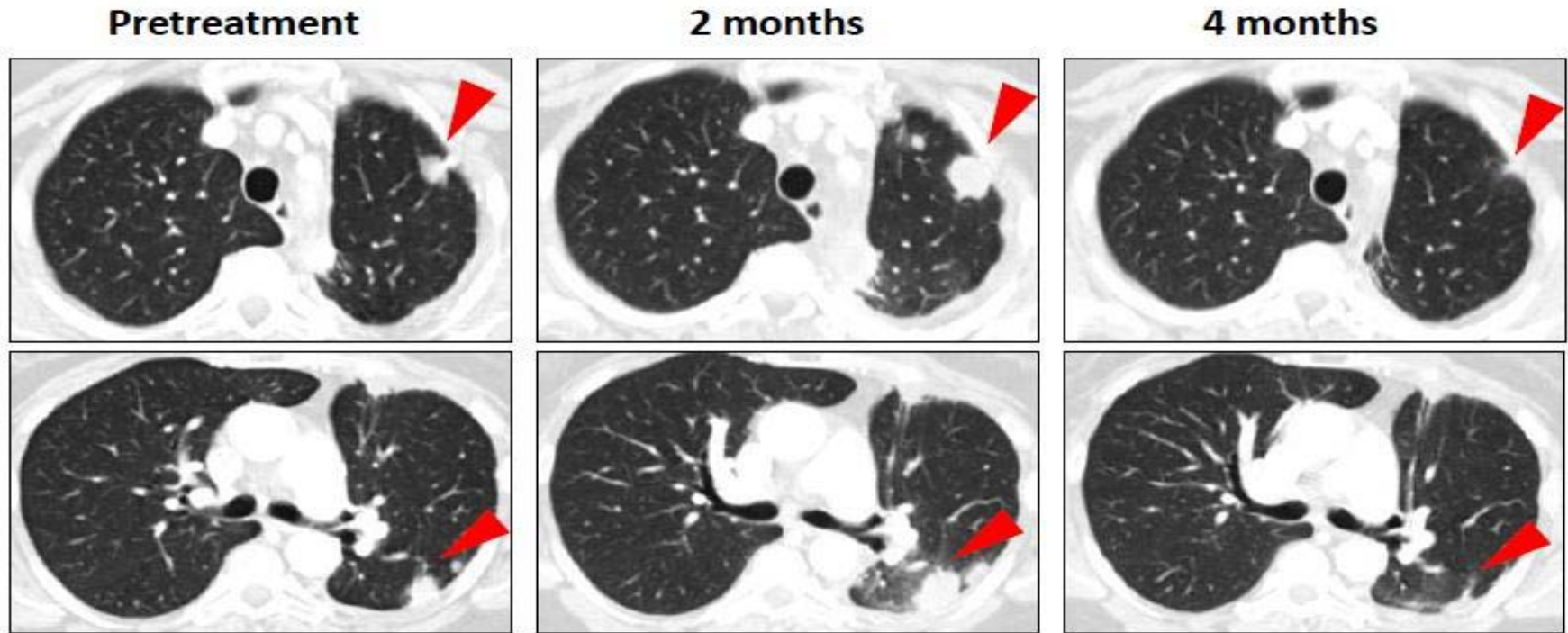
Overall survival



OS = overall survival.

Hodi FS, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2010;363:711–723.

Pseudoprogression during nivolumab treatment of NSCLC



Topalian S, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2012;366:2443–2454.

Initial progression in pulmonary lesions of a NSCLC patient with non-squamous histology was followed by regression

| Pembrolizumab Anti-PD-1 | Total N=117 | HPV+ N=34 | HPV- N=81 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| ORR | 24.8% | 20.6% | 27.2% |

| MEDI4736 Anti-PD-L1 | Total N=62 | PD-L1+ N=22 | PD-L1- N=37 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| ORR | 11% | 18% | 8% |

Toxicity with Immuno-Oncology agents

Activation of the immune system against tumors can result in a novel spectrum of Adverse events

AEs occur in certain organ systems:

- Skin
- Endocrine system
- Liver
- Gastrointestinal tract
- Nervous system
- Eyes
- Respiratory system
- Hematopoietic cells

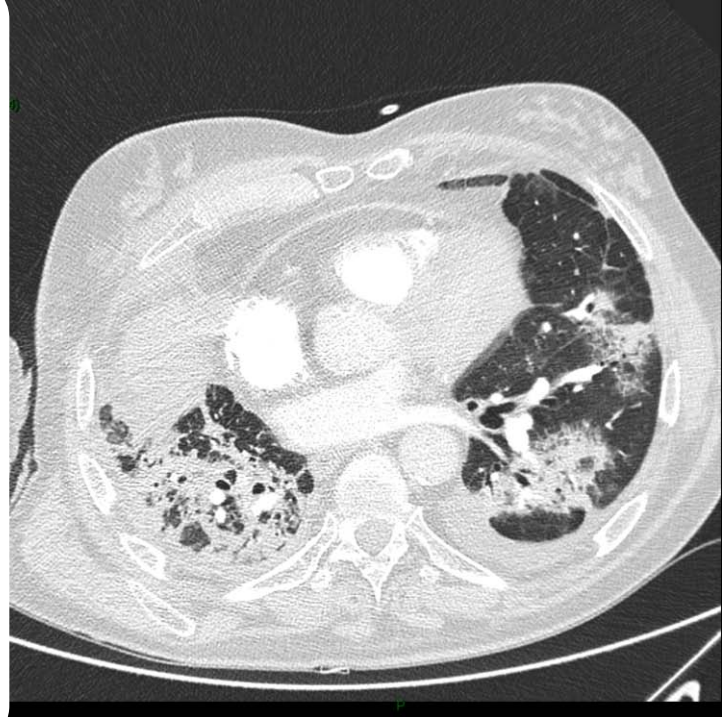


- Can be serious
- Requires prompt recognition and treatment
- Requires patient and health care professional education

Patient with diarrhea



Patient with dyspnea



CheckMate 141 Study Design

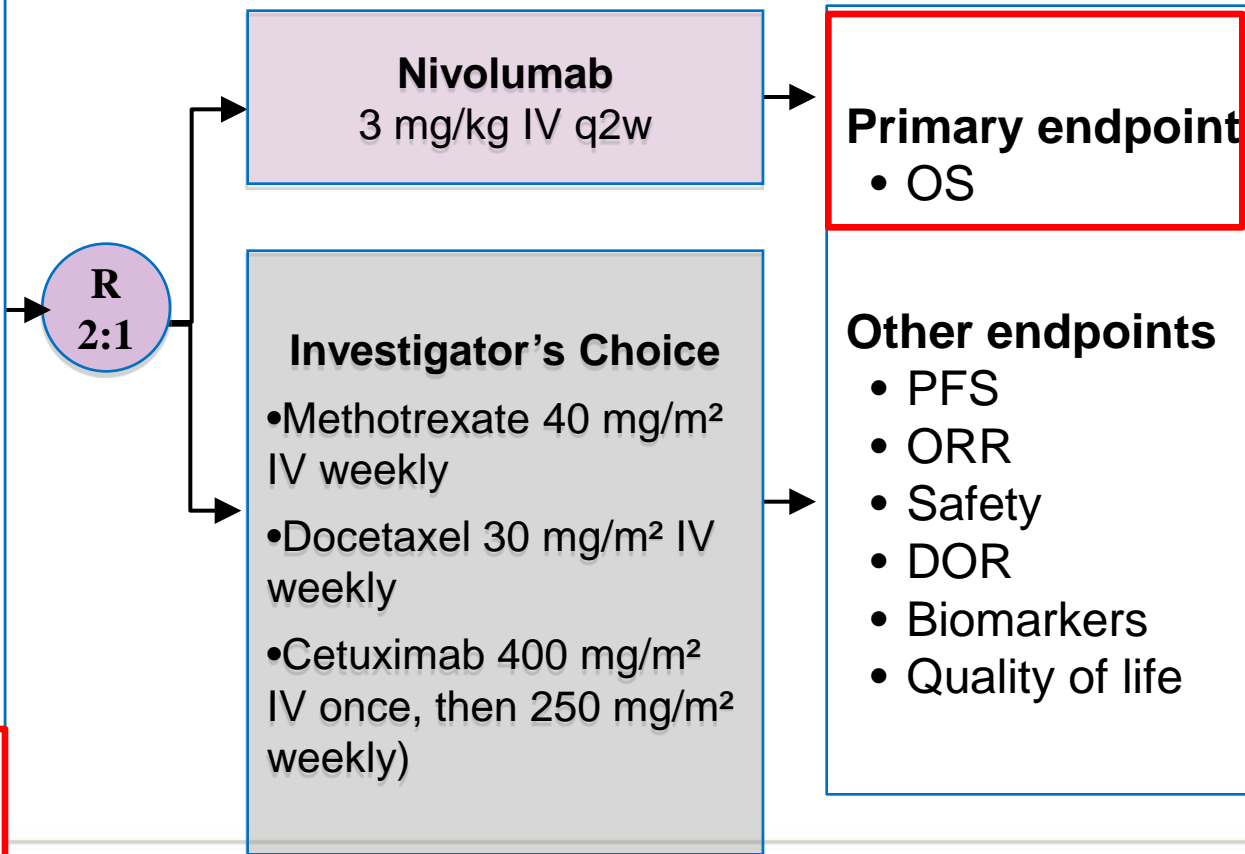
Randomized, global, phase 3 trial of the efficacy and safety of nivolumab versus investigator's choice in patients with R/M SCCHN

Key Eligibility Criteria

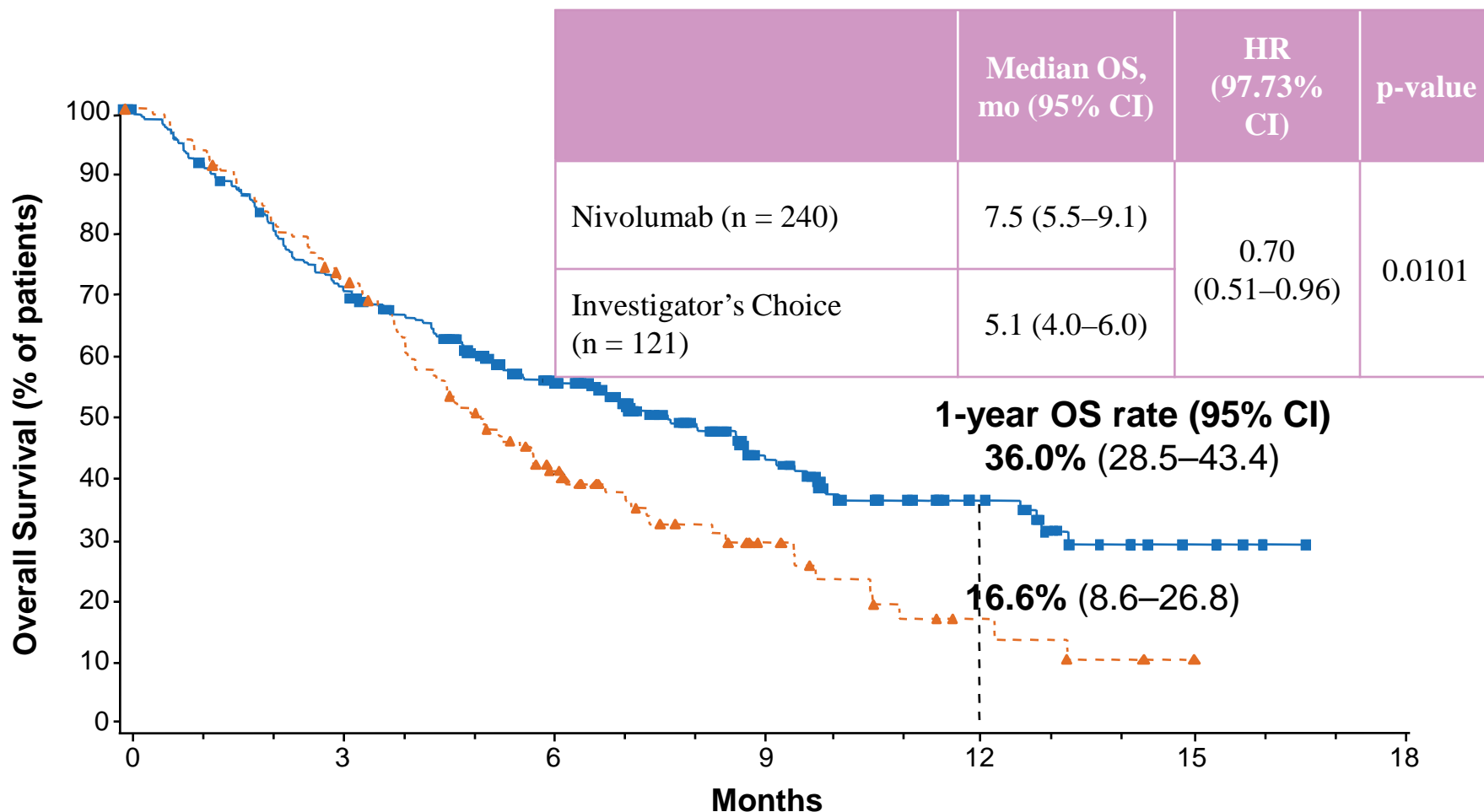
- R/M SCCHN of the oral cavity, pharynx, or larynx
- Not amenable to curative therapy
- Progression on or within 6 months of last dose of platinum-based therapy
- ECOG PS 0–1
- Documentation of p16 to determine HPV status
- No active CNS metastases

Stratification factor

- Prior cetuximab treatment



Overall Survival



No. at Risk

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|---|
| Nivolumab | 240 | 167 | 109 | 52 | 24 | 7 | 0 |
| Investigator's Choice | 121 | 87 | 42 | 17 | 5 | 1 | |

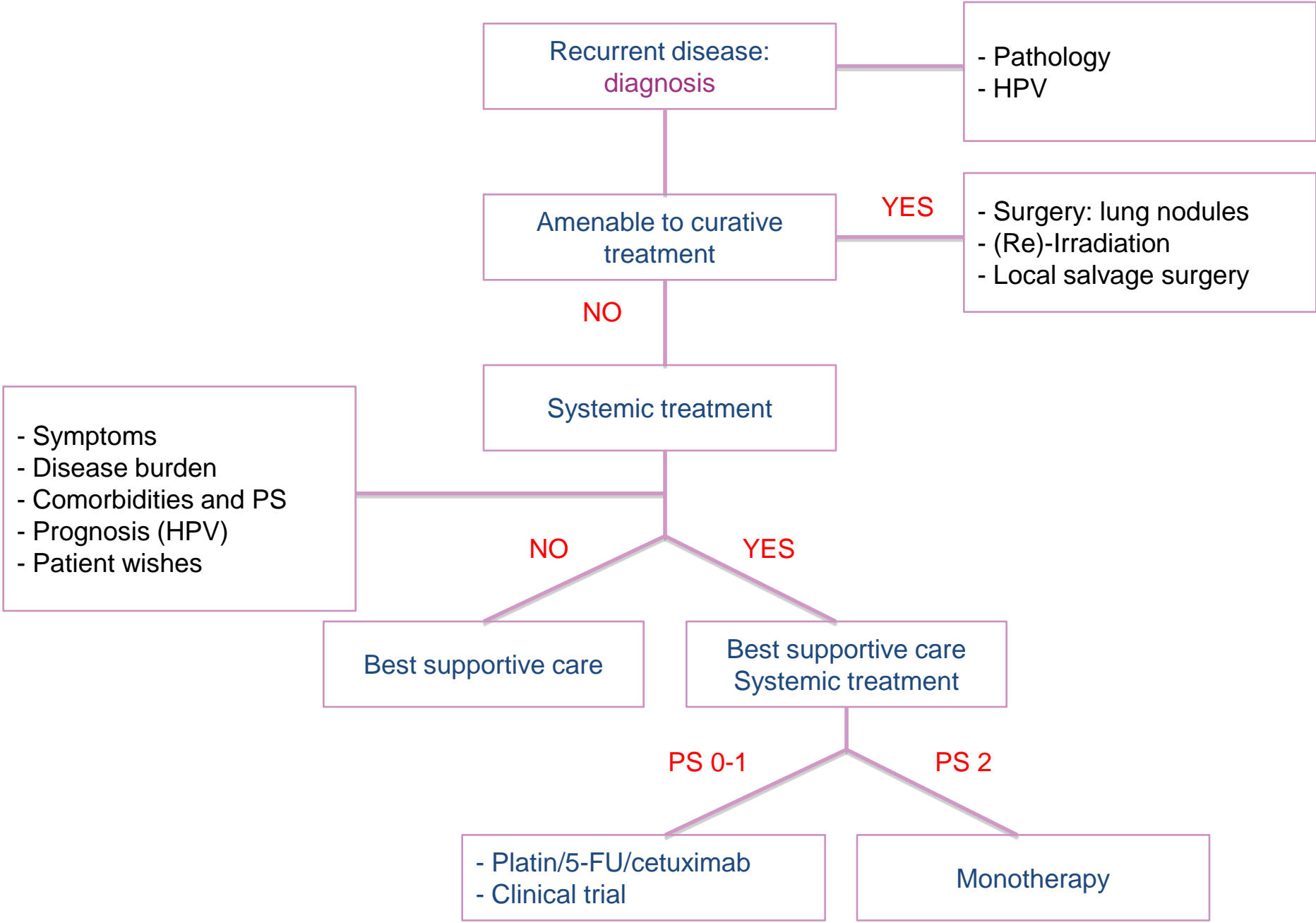
Treatment-Related AEs in $\geq 10\%$ of Patients

| Event | Nivolumab (n = 236) | | Investigator's Choice (n = 111) | |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Any grade n (%) | Grade 3–4 n (%) | Any grade n (%) | Grade 3–4 n (%) |
| Any ^a | 139 (58.9) | 31 (13.1) | 86 (77.5) | 39 (35.1) |
| Fatigue | 33 (14.0) | 5 (2.1) | 19 (17.1) | 3 (2.7) |
| Nausea | 20 (8.5) | 0 | 23 (20.7) | 1 (0.9) |
| Diarrhea | 16 (6.8) | 0 | 15 (13.5) | 2 (1.8) |
| Anemia | 12 (5.1) | 3 (1.3) | 18 (16.2) | 5 (4.5) |
| Asthenia | 10 (4.2) | 1 (0.4) | 16 (14.4) | 2 (1.8) |
| Mucosal inflammation | 3 (1.3) | 0 | 14 (12.6) | 2 (1.8) |
| Alopecia | 0 | 0 | 14 (12.6) | 3 (2.7) |

Treatment-Related Select AEs

| Event | Nivolumab (n = 236) | | Investigator's Choice (n = 111) | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Any grade n (%) | Grade 3–4 n (%) | Any grade n (%) | Grade 3–4 n (%) |
| Skin | 37 (15.7) | 0 | 14 (12.6) | 2 (1.8) |
| Endocrine | 18 (7.6) | 1 (0.4) | 1 (0.9) | 0 |
| Gastrointestinal | 16 (6.8) | 0 | 16 (14.4) | 2 (1.8) |
| Hepatic | 5 (2.1) | 2 (0.8) | 4 (3.6) | 1 (0.9) |
| Pulmonary | 5 (2.1) | 2 (0.8) | 1 (0.9) | 0 |
| Hypersensitivity/Infusion reaction | 3 (1.3) | 0 | 2 (1.8) | 1 (0.9) |
| Renal | 1 (0.4) | 0 | 2 (1.8) | 1 (0.9) |

Select AEs: AEs with potential immunologic etiology that requires monitoring/intervention



- Median survival of patients is 10-12 months (? Immunotherapy)
- First-line: Cisplatin /5-FU/cetuximab: standard of care
- Second-line: nivolumab
- Options: Platin/paclitaxel, taxanes, methotrexate

- Squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck
- **Salivary gland tumor**
- Nasopharyngeal

Salivary gland: metastatic disease

- Cisplatin
- Adriamycine
- 5-FU
- Cyclophosphamide
- Vinorelbin
- Taxanes

Rare disease: no randomized trials !!!

Salivary gland: metastatic disease

- Adenoid cystic carcinoma
 - indolent: follow-up
 - surgery
 - Chemotherapy: RESISTANT
 - adriamycine monotherapy,
 - cisplatine/adriamycine,
 - mitoxantrone, vinorelbin
 - taxanes: NO activity

Salivary gland: metastatic disease

- Adenocarcinoma/salivary duct: rare
- Higher prevalence in men, > 50 years old
- Mainly in parotid gland
- Aggressive with median survival: 3 years

- Histologically resemblance to invasive ductal carcinoma
- ER and PR rarely positive
- Androgen receptor present in 30-40%

Salivary duct carcinoma

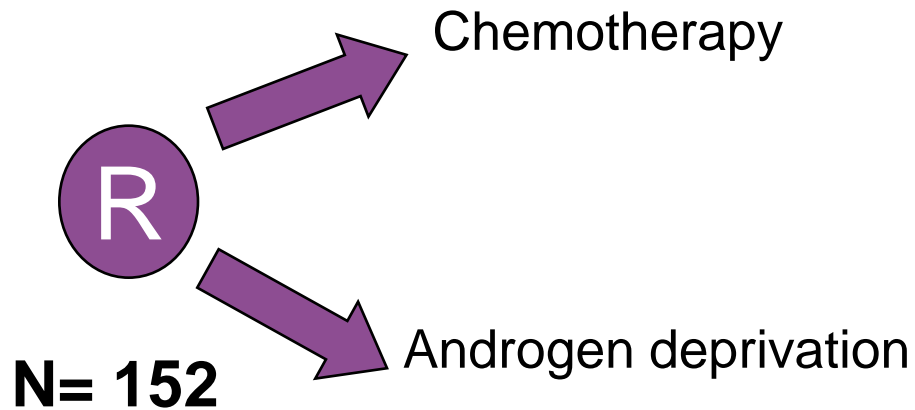
Table 1. Characteristics of Patients With AR-Positive SDC Treated With Androgen Deprivation Therapy

| Age (years) | Sex | Location | Prior Treatment | Recurrence/Metastasis | First-Line Antiandrogen | Second-Line Antiandrogen | RR | PFS (months) | OS (months) |
|-------------|-----|---------------|--------------------|---|---|--|----|--------------|-------------|
| 57 | M | Parotid | None | Locoregional lymph node, bone | Bicalutamide 150 mg | None | SD | 14 | 14* |
| 50 | M | Submandibular | Surgery, radiation | Cerebral, bone | Bicalutamide 150 mg | None | PR | 8 | 11 |
| 83 | F | Parotid | None | None | Bicalutamide 50 mg | None | PR | 26 | 56 |
| 56 | M | Parotid | None | Locoregional lymph node, lung | Bicalutamide 150 mg | Bicalutamide 50 mg + goserelin 3.6 mg for 4 weeks† | SD | 12‡ | 17 |
| 73 | M | Parotid | Surgery, radiation | Locoregional lymph node, cerebral, skin | Bicalutamide 150 mg | Bicalutamide 50 mg + goserelin 3.6 mg for 4 weeks | PD | 0 | 4 |
| 68 | M | Parotid | None | Locoregional lymph node, lung | Bicalutamide 150 mg | Bicalutamide 50 mg + goserelin 10.8 mg for 12 weeks§ | PD | 1 | 8 |
| 67 | M | Parotid | Surgery, radiation | Local recurrence, locoregional lymph node, lung | Bicalutamide 50 mg + goserelin 3.6 mg for 4 weeks | None | SD | 8 | 16 |
| 64 | F | Parotid | Surgery, radiation | Locoregional lymph node, bone, lung | Bicalutamide 50 mg | None | PD | 0 | 12 |
| 39 | M | Parotid | None | Locoregional lymph node, liver | Bicalutamide 150 mg | None¶ | PD | 0 | 5* |
| 73 | M | Submandibular | None | Locoregional lymph node, cerebral | Bicalutamide 150 mg | None | PD | 0 | 5* |



EORTC 1206

A randomised phase II study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of Chemotherapy (CT) vs androgen deprivation therapy (ADT) in patients with recurrent and/or metastatic, androgen receptor (AR) expressing, salivary gland cancer (SGCs)



Primary endpoint: Progression-free survival

- Squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck
- Salivary gland tumor
- **Nasopharyngeal**

Metastatic nasopharyngeal carcinoma

1016 patients

16.15% had a solitary metastasis

Distant metastases:

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Bones : | 53.35% |
| Lung: | 41.34% |
| Liver: | 29.72% |

Metastatic nasopharyngeal carcinoma

FDG-PET: 20% distant metastases

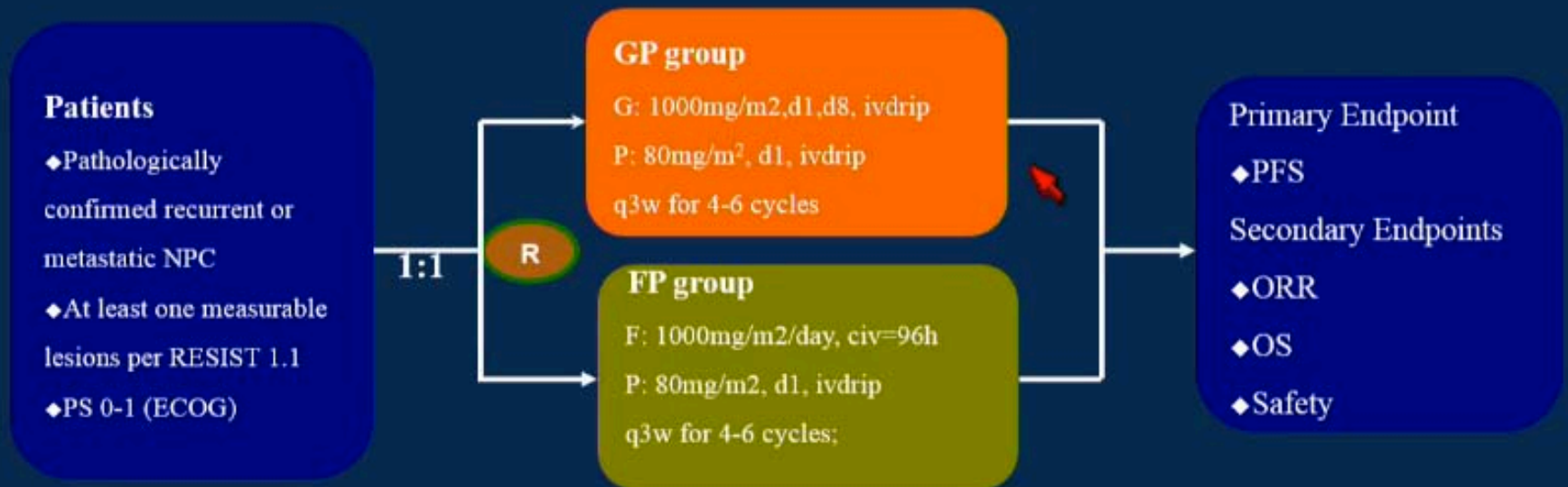
ORR with platinum-based chemotherapy: 40-70%

Considered incurable but occasional long-term survivors have been described

In the largest series of long-term survivors, they were treated with CT followed by consolidation RT to the bone metastases

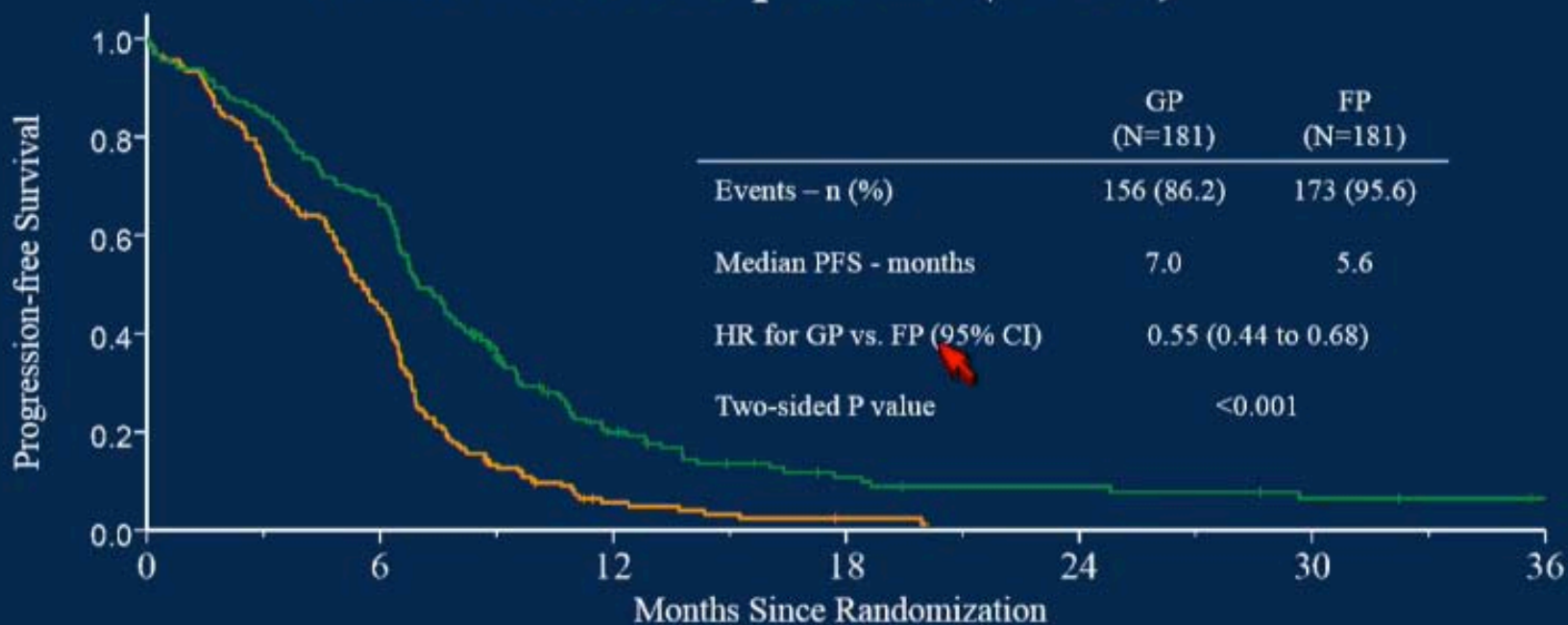
Liu et al. J Nucl Med 2007
Fandi et al. J Clin Oncol 2000
Hui et al. Cancer 2004
Chan SL BMC cancer 2006
Lim et al. J Clin Oncol 2011

Trial design – *Randomized, open-label, multi-center, phase III*



NPC, nasopharyngeal carcinoma; RESIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors; PS, performance status; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; G, gemzar; P, cisplatin; F, 5-FU; civ, continuous infusion; PFS, progression-free survival; OS, overall survival; ORR, objective response rate.

Primary End Point: PFS by independent imaging-review committee *Intent-to-Treat Population (N=362)*



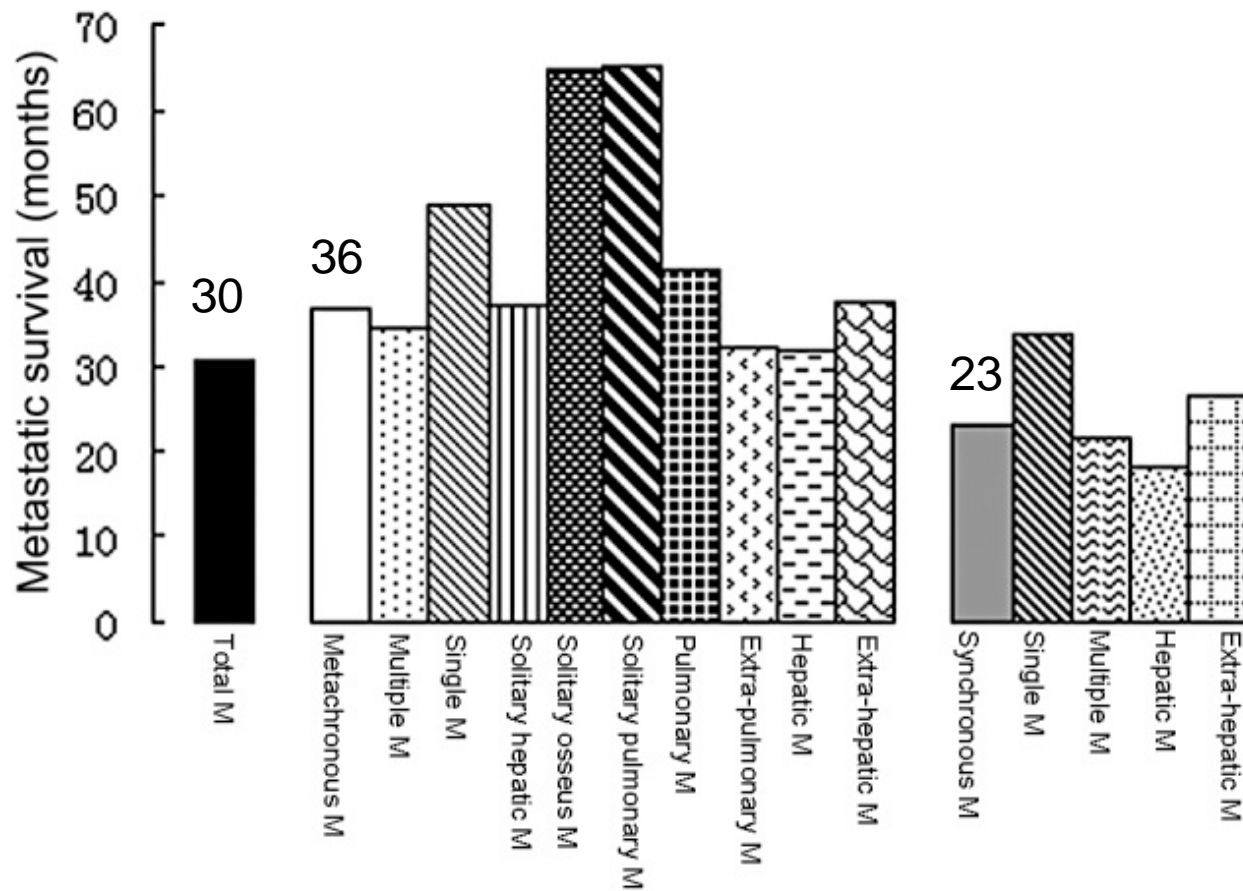
Risk of progression or death decreased by 45% with GP vs. FP

Secondary End Point: OS ($N=362$)



OS data was immature; study will continue until the final OS analysis is performed

Metastatic nasopharyngeal carcinoma



Survival in 1016 patients with metastatic nasopharyngeal carcinoma according to subdivisions of metastatic status

Thank you



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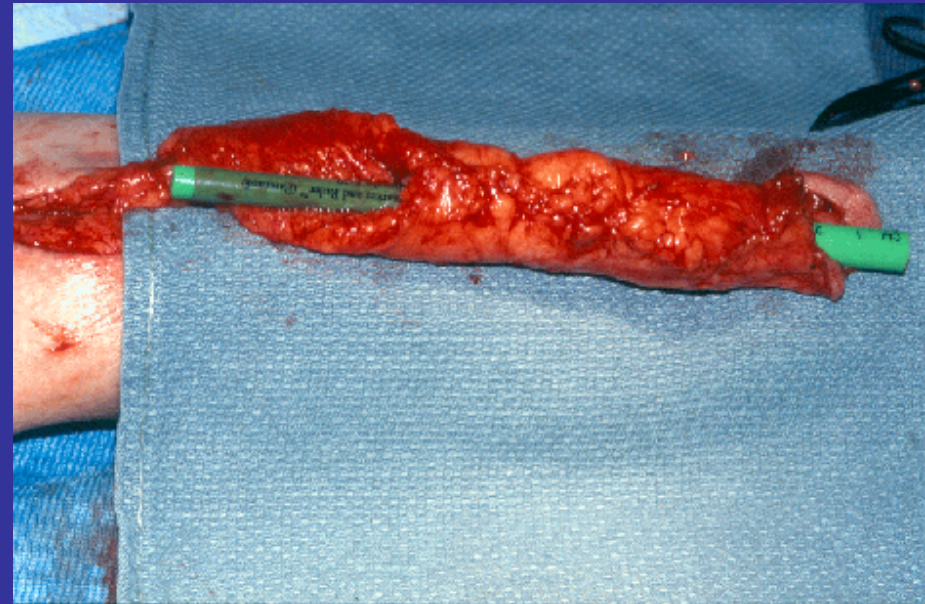
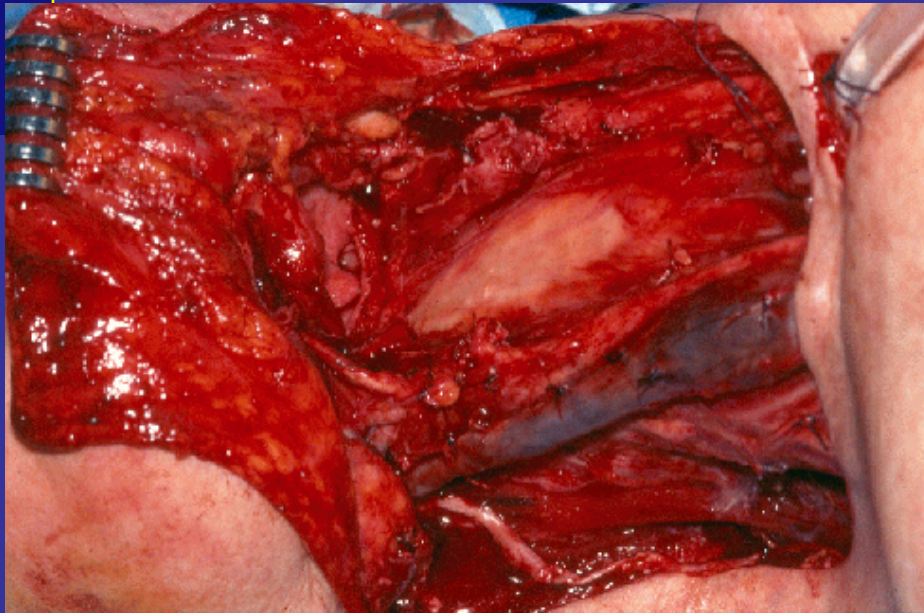
Pharyngo-esophagus Resection and Reconstruction

- Female 65 years
- Previous neck irradiation for TBC
- T3N0 hypopharynx carcinoma
- Total laryngopharyngectomy + neck dissection
- Tubed RFFF with monitor
- 60 months NED



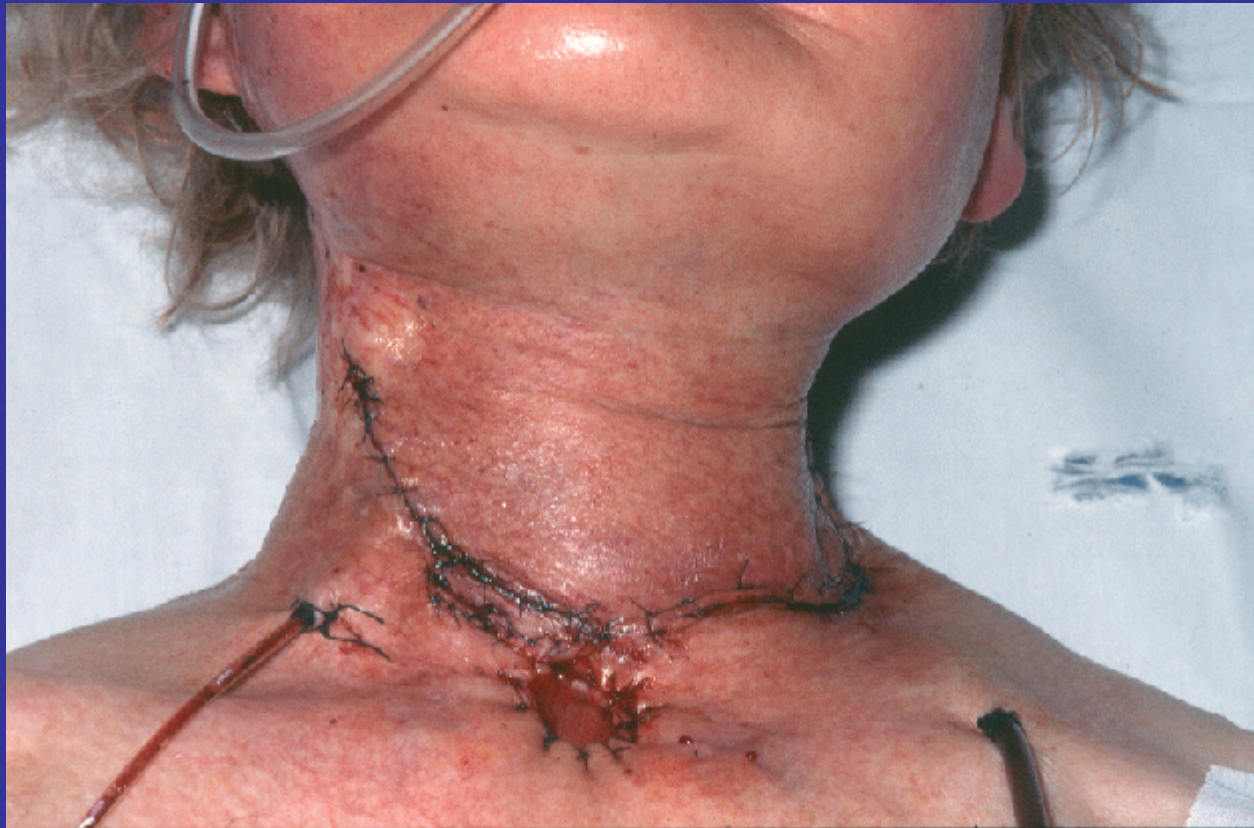
Surgical Salvage

Pharyngo-esophagus Resection and Reconstruction



Surgical Salvage

Pharyngo-esophagus Resection and Reconstruction



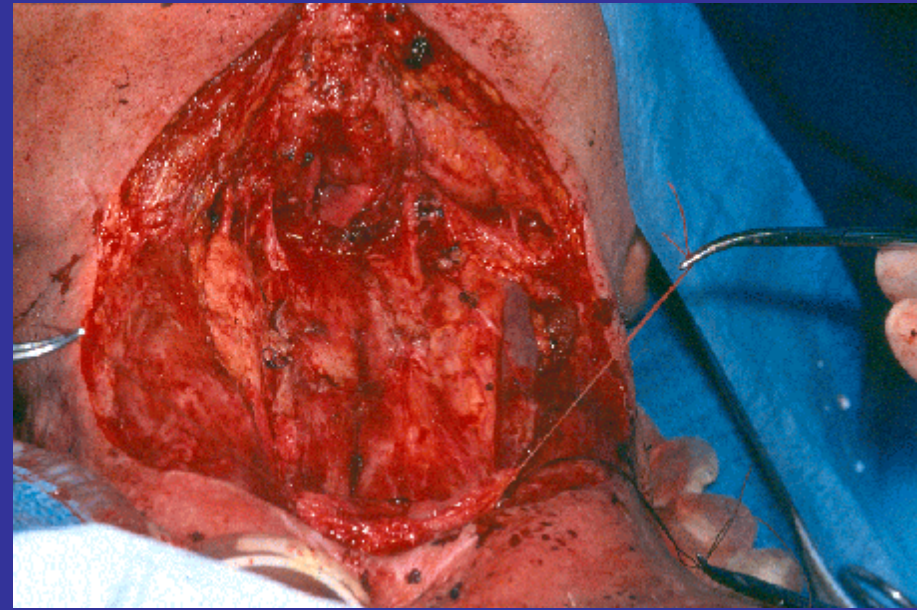
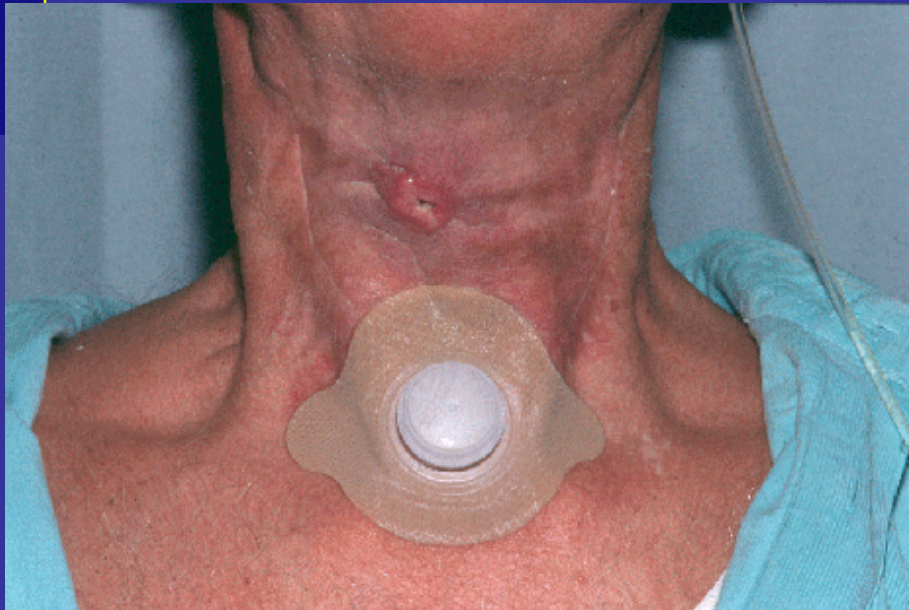
Complex Pharyngo-esophagus Resection and Reconstruction

- Male 69 years
- Previous radiotherapy and total laryngectomy
- Recurrence in neopharynx with skin involvement
- Neopharyngectomy with skin
- Double-paddle RFFF with tube
- 47 months NED



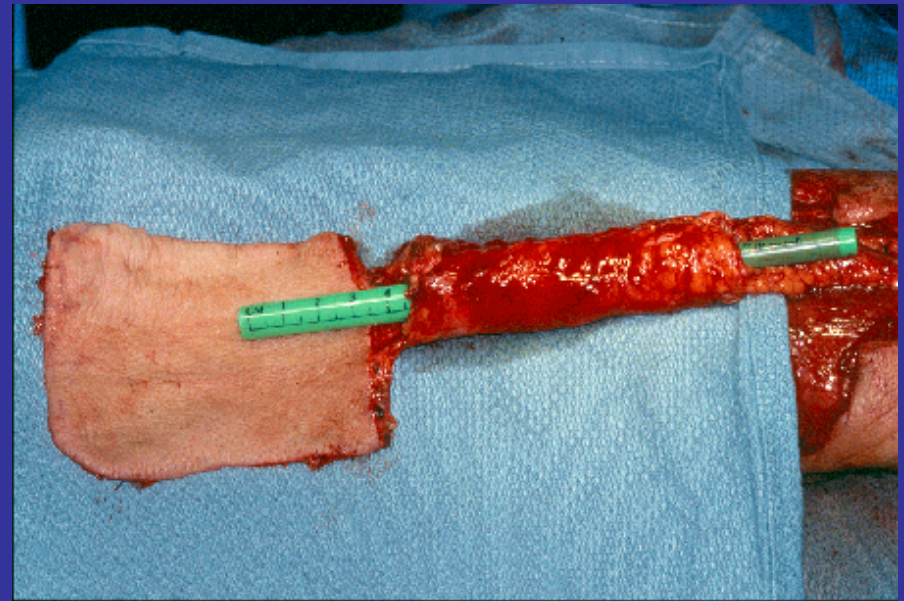
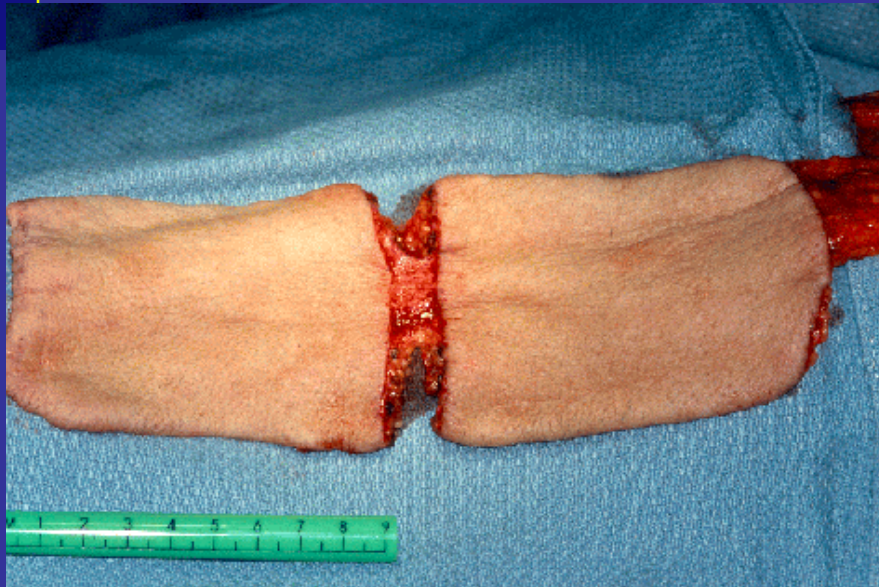
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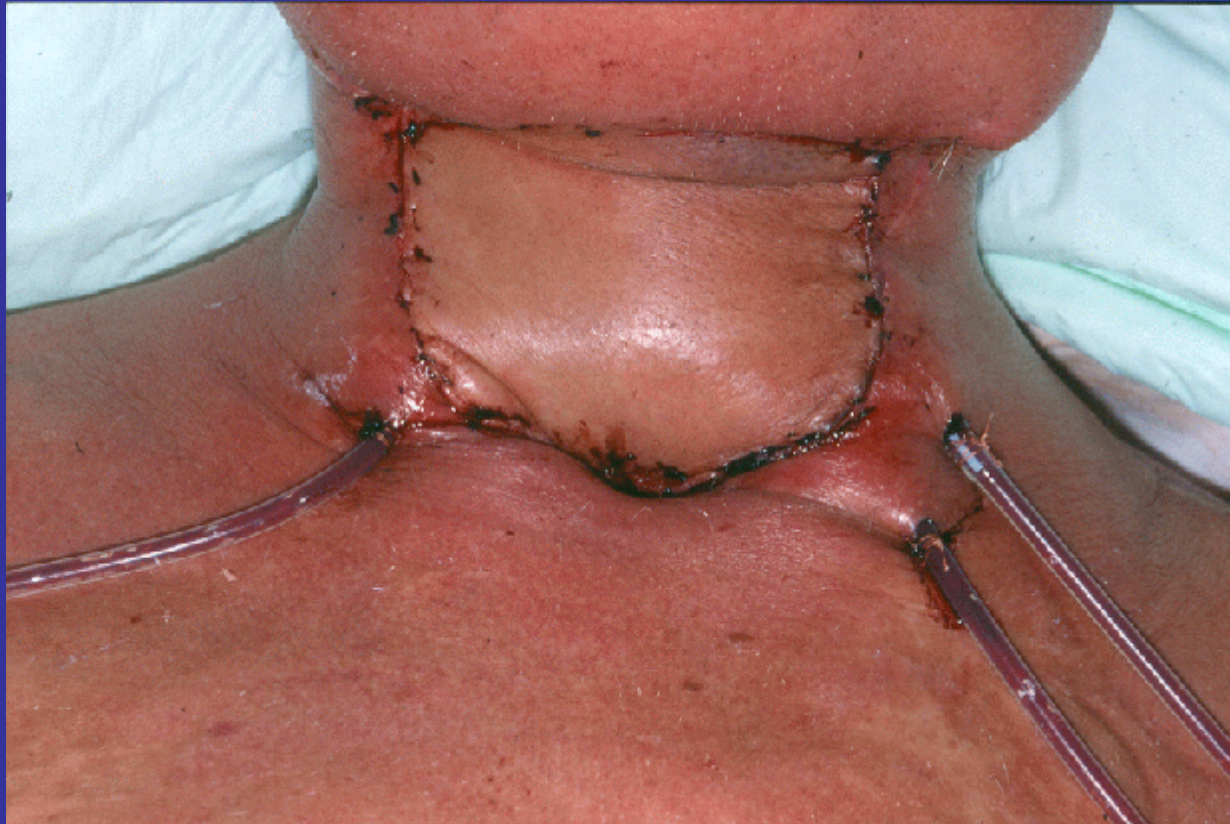
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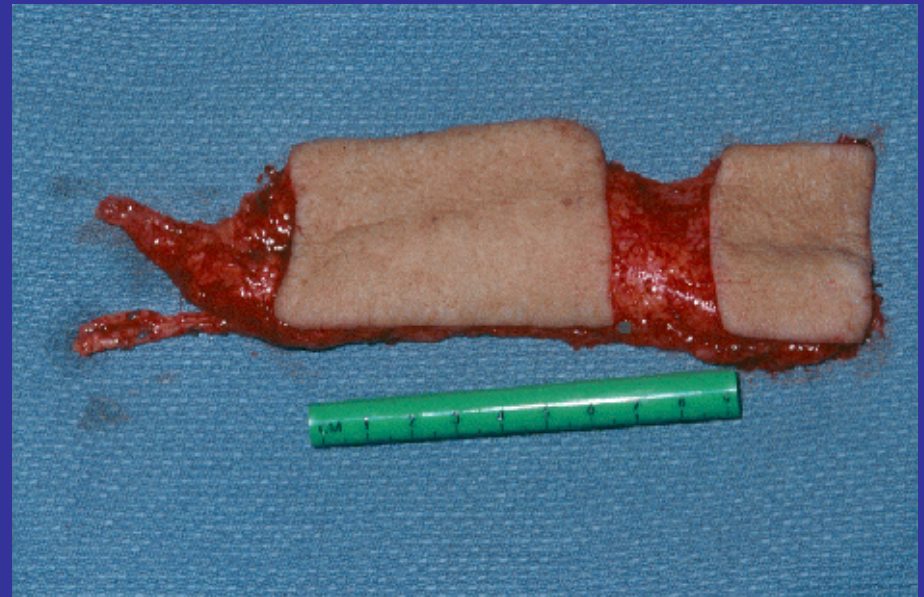
Palliative Salvage Surgery

- Male 55 years
- Previous total laryngectomy and neck dissections
- Local recurrence and pulmonary metastases, for which chemotherapy
- Large pharyngocutaneous fistula
- Double-paddle RFFF
- Palliation 24 months (without PEG)



Surgical Salvage

Palliative Salvage Surgery



Surgical Salvage

Palliative Salvage Surgery



Surgical Salvage

Palliative Salvage Surgery



Surgical Salvage after Chemoradiation Failure

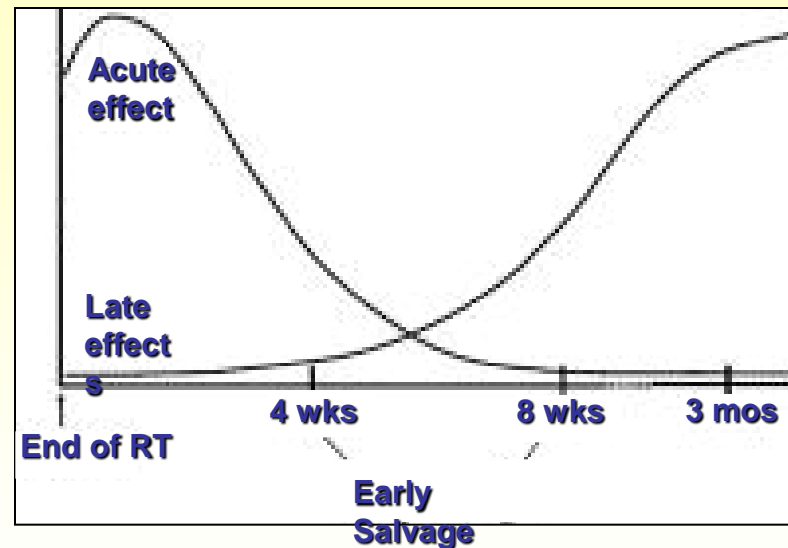
Background

- Chemo-radiotherapy is increasingly applied in head and neck cancer to preserve function
- The role for surgery is evolving, with increased salvage for chemoradiation failures
- Not all recurrent disease is operable
- Early detection and salvage yields improved control and survival
- Reliable diagnostics are essential



Salvage Surgery

Time Window Response Evaluation



Window for response evaluation,

Dilemma: early diagnostics less reliable

Yom SS et al. Am.J.Clin.Oncol. 2005;28:385-92.



Salvage Surgery

MRI and CT

Problems:

- Oedema at least 4-6 weeks after (chemo)radiation
- Volume reduction often delayed
- CT/MRI artefacts by dental filling

Accuracy after (chemo)radiation for head and neck carcinoma:

| | Sensitivity | Specificity |
|-----|-------------|-------------|
| CT | 63% - 92% | 47% - 80% |
| MRI | 92% - 100% | 41% - 86% |

Lack of specificity



Salvage Surgery

FDG-PET

Problems:

- <3-4 months after (C)RT high incidence equivocal and inaccurate interpretation (local and regional)
- Problems:
 - False-positive: inflammatory effect
 - False-negative: tumors < 0.5 cm

Accuracy after (chemo)radiation for head and neck carcinoma:

| Local | Sensitivity | Specificity |
|-------|-------------|-------------|
| PET | 50% - 100% | 64% - 93% |

| Regional | Sensitivity | Specificity |
|----------|-------------|-------------|
| PET | 40% - 100% | 25% - 100% |

Negative predictive value at 3 months in general very reliable



Salvage Surgery

FDG-PET: Regional Control

Accuracy PET for detection of lymph node metastases is interval dependent:

| Author | Interval after chemoradiation | Negative Predictive Value | |
|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Rogers | 4 weeks | 14% | (95%CI: 3%-45%) |
| McCollum | 4-12 weeks | 73% | (95%CI: 46%-99%) |
| Yao; Porceddu | > 8 weeks | 97% - 100% | (95%CI: 87%-99% en 96%-100%) |

Rogers JW *et al.* Int.J.Radiat.Oncol.Biol.Phys. 2004;58:694-7.

McCollum *et al.* Head Neck 2004;26:890-6.

Porceddu SV *et al.* Head Neck 2005;27:175-81.



Salvage Surgery

Diagnostic Accuracy USgFNAC

| Accuracy | % |
|------------------|------------|
| Sensitivity | 80 |
| Specificity | 42 |
| PPV | 40 |
| NPV | 81 |
| | |
| Overall accuracy | 57% |



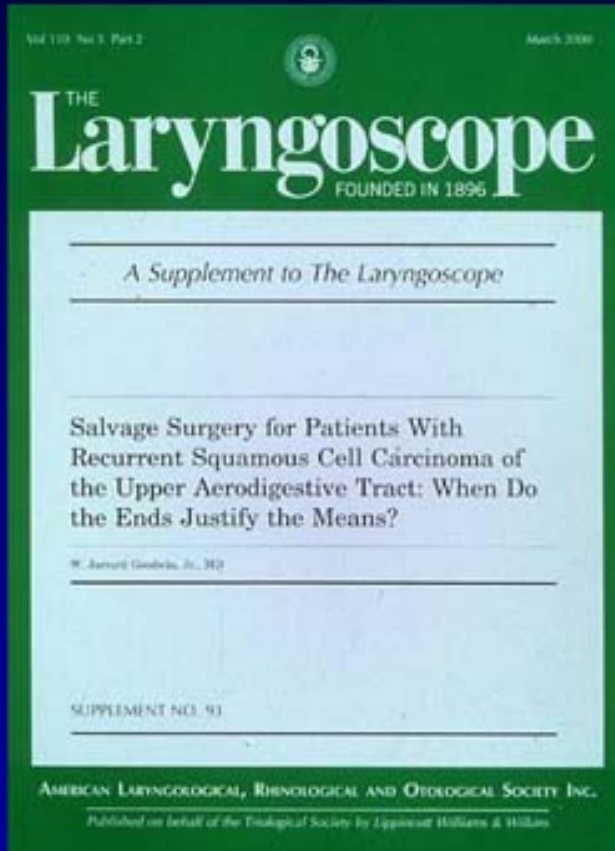
Salvage Surgery

- **Salvage surgery for a limited number of patients**
- **High complication rate**
- **High rate of locoregional recurrences after salvage surgery, distant metastases and second primaries**

- **What is the outcome?**



Salvage Surgery



Jerry Goodwin

Goodwin WJ. Laryngoscope 2000;110(3 Pt 2 Suppl 93):1-18



Salvage Surgery

Outcomes of Salvage Surgery for Recurrent Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Upper Aerodigestive Tract Stage I & II

- **2-Years Survival** **> 70%**
- **Good Quality of Life** **60 – 85%**
- **Surgical Complications** **6%**
- **Death Related to Surgery** **Rare**



Salvage Surgery

Outcomes of Salvage Surgery for Recurrent Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Upper Aerodigestive Tract Stage III

- **2-Years Survival** **33%**
- **Good Quality of Life** **40%**
- **Surgical Complications** **30%**
- **Death Related to Surgery** **< 2%**



Salvage Surgery

Outcomes of Salvage Surgery for Recurrent Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Upper Aerodigestive Tract Stage IV

- **2-Years Survival** < 25%
- **Good Quality of Life** 30%
- **Surgical Complications** 30%
- **Death Related to Surgery** < 2%



Conclusions Goodwin

- **Weighted average of 5-year survival was 39% in 1,080 patients from 28 different institutions**
- **Median DFS of 17.9 months in 109 patients, correlated strongly with recurrent stage, weakly with recurrent site, and not at all with time to recurrence**
- **Noneconomic costs for patients and economic costs correlated with recurrent stage, but not with site**



Conclusions Goodwin (cont'd)

- **Success was limited and costs were great in stage III and, especially, in stage IV recurrences**
- **The decision to undergo salvage surgery should be a personal choice made by the patient after honest and compassionate discussion with his or her surgeon**



Salvage Surgery

- Salvage surgery for a limited number of patients
- High complication rate
- High rate of locoregional recurrences after salvage surgery, distant metastases and second primaries
- What is the outcome in VU University medical center series?



Salvage Surgery

Patient Population n=503 (1993-2012) Chemoradiation (Surgically Potentially Salvageable)

| Reasons | Excluded (#) |
|---------------------|--------------|
| NPC | 61 |
| Other Sites | 12 |
| Non-curative Intent | 29 |
| Non-cisplatin based | 4 |
| Other | 65 |
| | |
| Study Population | 331 |



Salvage Surgery

Primary Tumor Site

| Site | N | % |
|-------------|-----|----|
| Oral Cavity | 35 | 11 |
| Oropharynx | 160 | 48 |
| Hypopharynx | 72 | 22 |
| Larynx | 64 | 19 |



Salvage Surgery

Patient Population Chemoradiation (n=331)

| | N | % |
|-----------|-----|----|
| Control | 200 | 60 |
| Residual | 41 | 12 |
| Recurrent | 87 | 27 |
| Dead | 3 | 1 |



Salvage Surgery

First Recurrence after Chemoradiation (n=128)

| | N | % |
|---------------|----|----|
| Local * | 45 | 35 |
| Regional | 27 | 21 |
| Loco-regional | 10 | 8 |
| Distant | 46 | 36 |

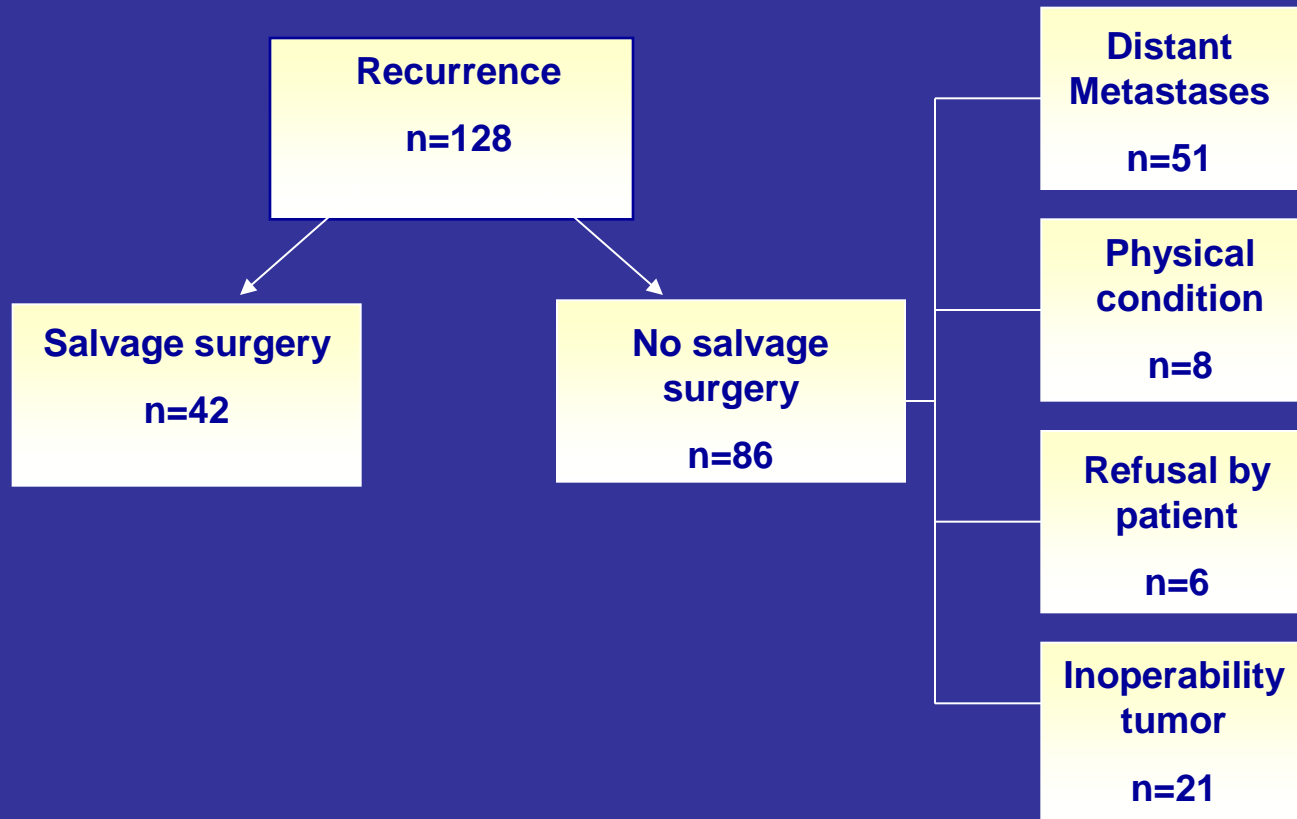
* Exclusion of 4 local recurrences > 3 years after primary tumor



Salvage Surgery

Salvage surgery

Recurrence after chemoradiation



Salvage Surgery

This is:

51 % Locoregional Recurrence (n=82)

33 % Recurrence (n=128)

13 % Total Population Chemoradiation (n=331)



Salvage Surgery

Salvage Surgery Relative to Tumor site

| Site | Salvage (%) |
|-------------|-------------|
| Oral Cavity | 9 |
| Oropharynx | 11 |
| Hypopharynx | 10 |
| Larynx | 24 |



Salvage Surgery

Details of Surgery

| Characteristics | All patients (n=42) | Hypopharynx Larynx (n=18) | Oral cavity Oropharynx (n=3) | Neck dissection (n=21) |
|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Type of reconstruction | | | | |
| No | 11 (26%) | 1 (6%) | 0 (0%) | 10 (48%) |
| Pedicled Flap | 26 (62%) | 14 (78%) | 1 (33%) | 11 (52%) |
| Free Flap* | 5 (12%) | 3 (17%) | 2 (66%) | 0 (0%) |
| Lymph node dissection | | | | |
| No | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) |
| Unilateral | 24 (57%) | 3 (17%) | 1 (33%) | 20 (95%) |
| Bilateral | 18 (43%) | 15 (83%) | 2 (67%) | 1 (5%) |
| Re-operation with flap | | | | |
| No | 37 (88%) | 16 (89%) | 2 (67%) | 19 (90%) |
| Pedicled Flap | 5 (12%) | 2 (11%) | 1 (33%) | 2 (10%) |

*Incl. Forearm, Rectus, Fibula, Gracilis



Salvage Surgery

Complications of Surgery

| Group | Complications | Pharynx Open (n=18) | Pharynx Closed (n=24) |
|-------|---|------------------------|--------------------------|
| I | No | 5 (28%) | 9 (38%) |
| II | Fistula | 6 (33%) | 2 (8%) |
| III | Infection Delayed wound healing | 5 (28%) | 13 (54%) |
| IV | Systemic | 2 (11%) | 0 (0%) |
| | Patients with one or more complications | 13 (72%) | 15 (62%) |



Salvage Surgery

Histopathology

| Margins | N | % |
|---------|----|----|
| R0 | 32 | 76 |
| Close | 4 | 10 |
| R1 | 6 | 14 |
| R2 | 0 | 0 |



Salvage Surgery

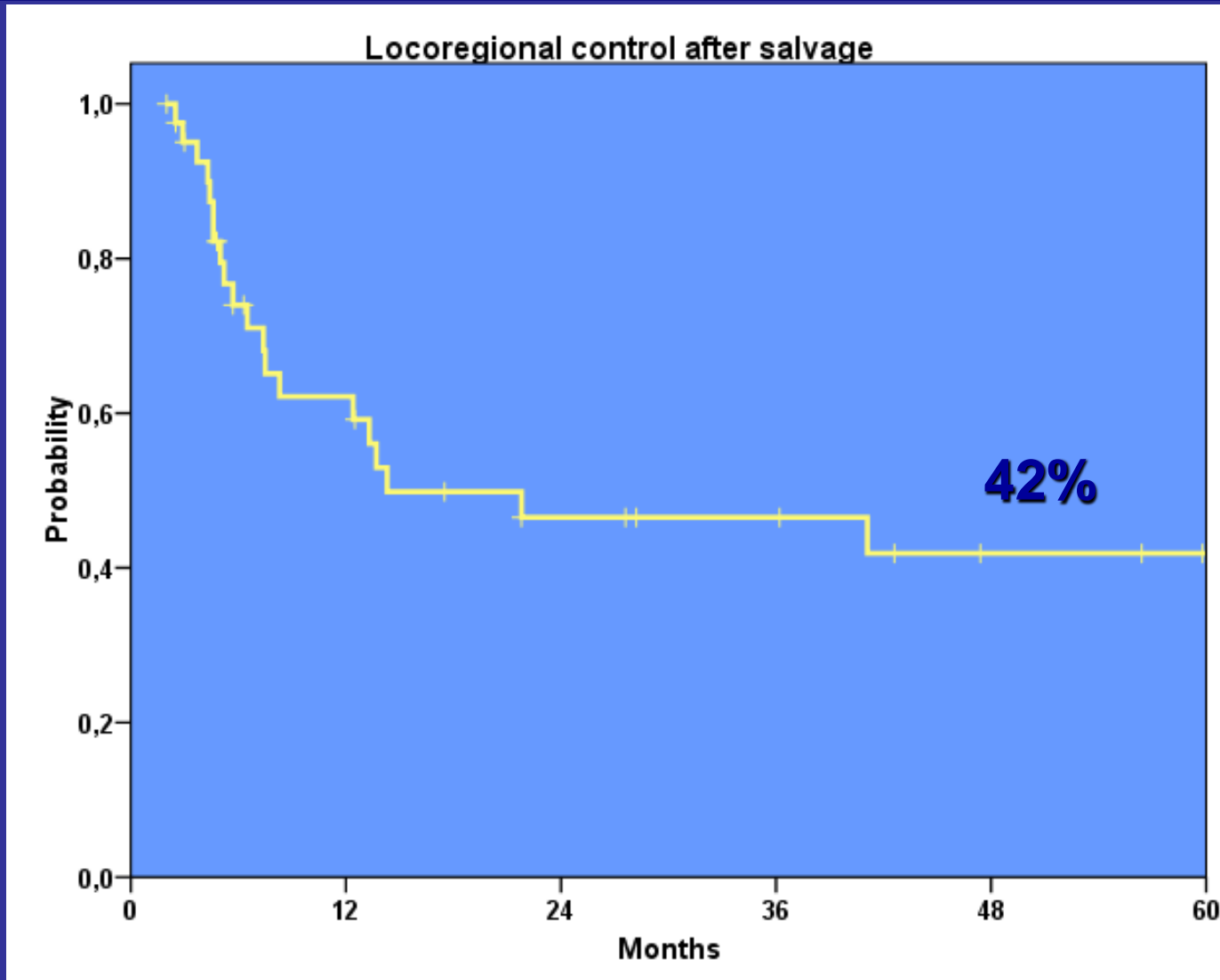
Recurrence after Salvage Surgery

| | | |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Recurrence * | 24 | 57 |
| Loco-regional | 20 | 48 |
| Distant | 7 | 17 |

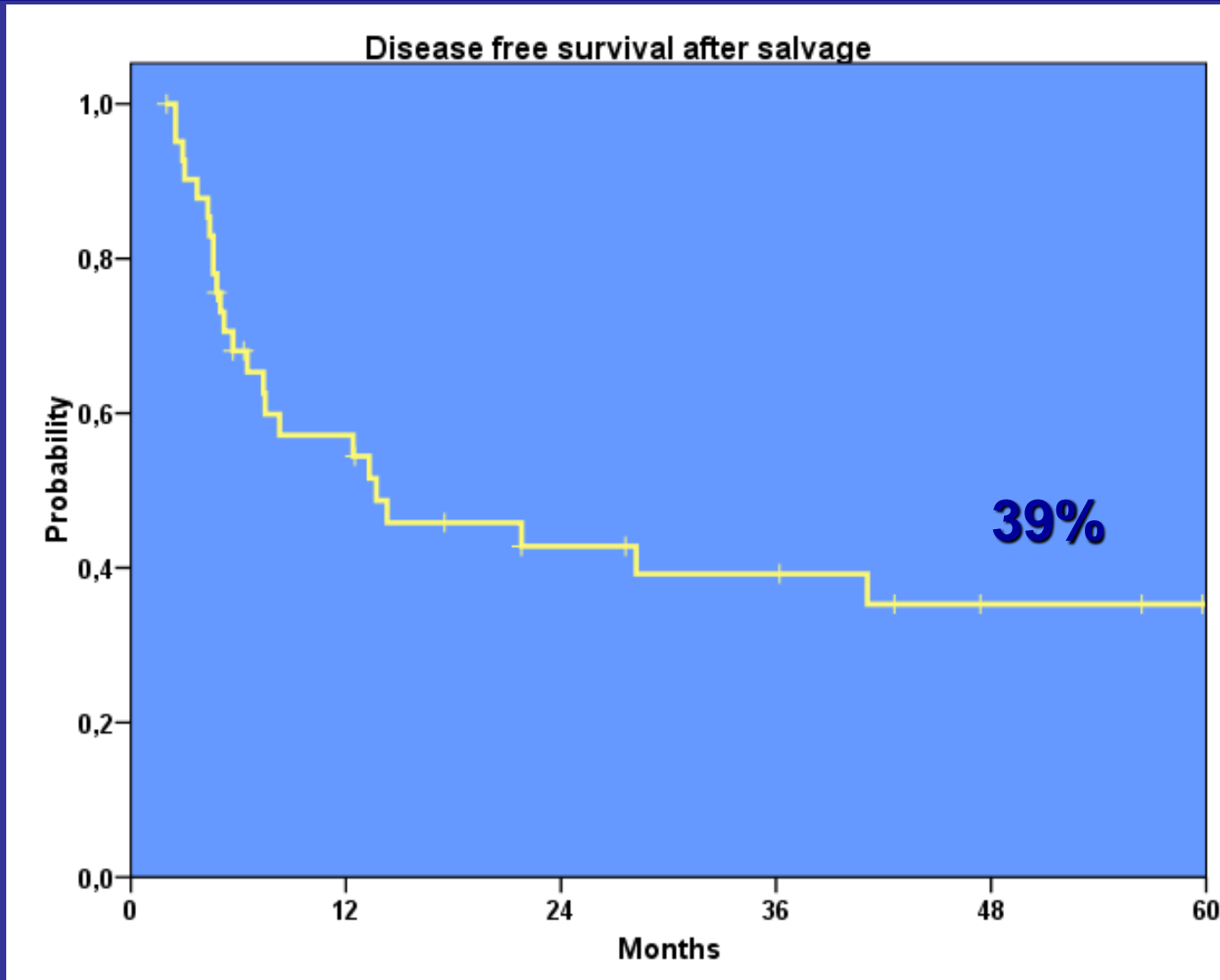
*Follow-up 2 - 118 months



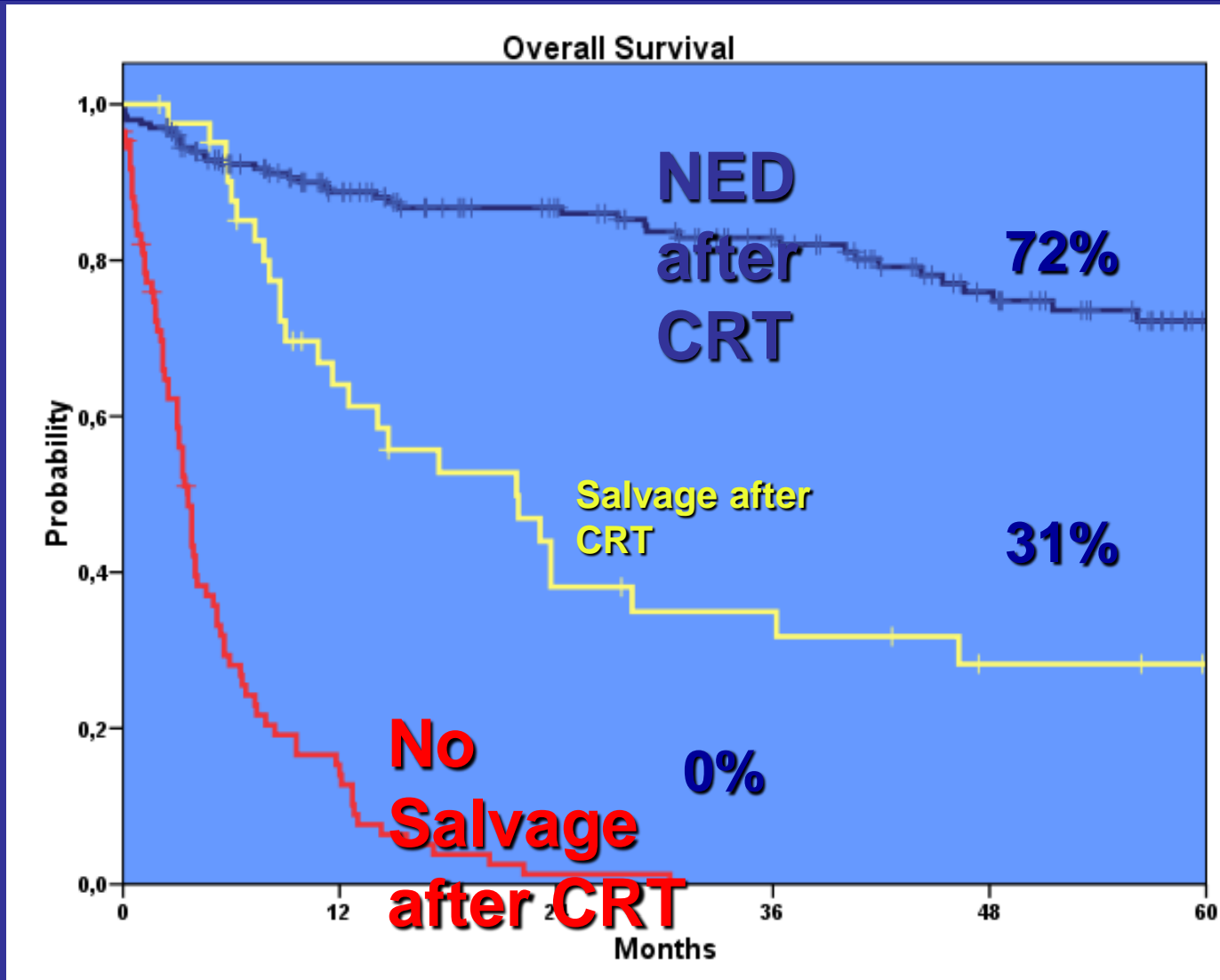
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Overview Literature

| Authors | Year | N | LR control | DFS | OS | RT/CRT | |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|
| Oropharynx Yom * Nichols Kostrzewa Bachar | 2005 2010 2010 2010 | 14 29 72 175 | 86% (2 year, +/- salvage) | 40% (5-year) | 82% (2 year, +/- salvage) 65%(2 year), 43%(5 year) 77%(2 year), 44%(5 year) 23% (5 year) | CRT (C)RT (C)RT RT | 6/54 hypopharynx |
| Larynx/Pharynx Paleri (syst. rev) vd Putten | 2011 2011 | >350 120 | 87% (2 year) 70% local, 79% regional (5 year) | 91%(2 year) 58% (5 year) | 83% (2 year) 50% (5 year) | (C)RT (C)RT | Partial laryngectomy Total laryngectomy |
| Neck vd Putten | 2007 | 61 | 79% regional (5 year) | | 36% (5 year) | CRT | |
| Head and neck Gleich Tausky Tan | 2004 2005 2010 | 48 17 38 | 20% local, 30% regional (5 year) | | 15% (5 year) 46%(3 year), 13%(5 year) 43%(2 year), 37%(5year) | CRT | OC/OP/L/HP OC/OP/L/HP/NP OC/OP/L/HP/UP |

* Survival rates of all patients (with and without salvage/recurrence)



Surgical Salvage after Chemoradiation Failure

Summary

- Retrospective, skewed towards larynx
- Mixed bag of salvage procedures
- Careful indication
- High morbidity
 - Vigilance as to complications
 - Liberal use of flaps
- In selected patients feasible with reasonable survival



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Carcinoma of unknown primary

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INTRODUCTION

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WHY?

SMALL SIZE AND ANATOMICAL POSITION

OR

CANCER CONFINED TO LYMPHOEPITHELIAL
TISSUE OF THE OROPHARYNX
(CRYPT ARE CHARACTERIZED BY
INCOMPLETE BASEMENT MEMBRANE)

OR.....

INTRODUCTION



INTRODUCTION

2-5 % OF HEAD AND NECK CANCERS

**SUBSEQUENT MANIFESTATION OF THE PRIMARY SITE
OCCURS IN A PERCENTAGE OF PATIENTS RANGING FROM 1.4% TO 54%**



**“TRUE” CARCINOMA OF UNKNOWN PRIMARY ACCOUNTS OF
ONLY 1-2% OF HEAD AND NECK CANCER...**

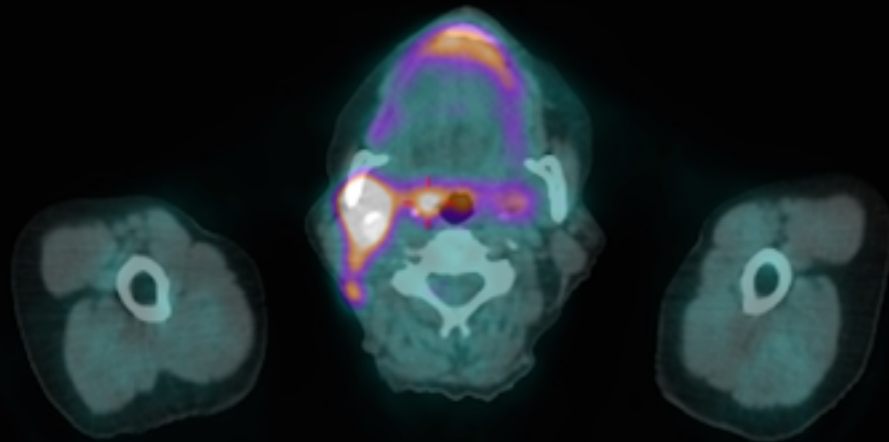
**... AND MAY BE DECREASING DUE TO IMPROVED DETECTION
METHODS**

PRESENTATION OF DISEASE

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PRESENTATION OF DISEASE

MASS IN THE NECK



PAIN AND WEIGHT LOSS

N CLASSIFICATION IN MAJORITY OF CASES: **N2** (A,B OR C)

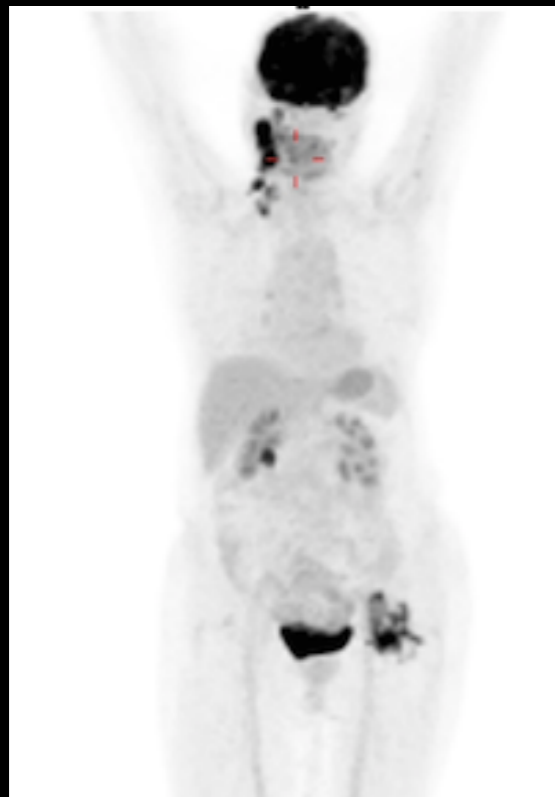
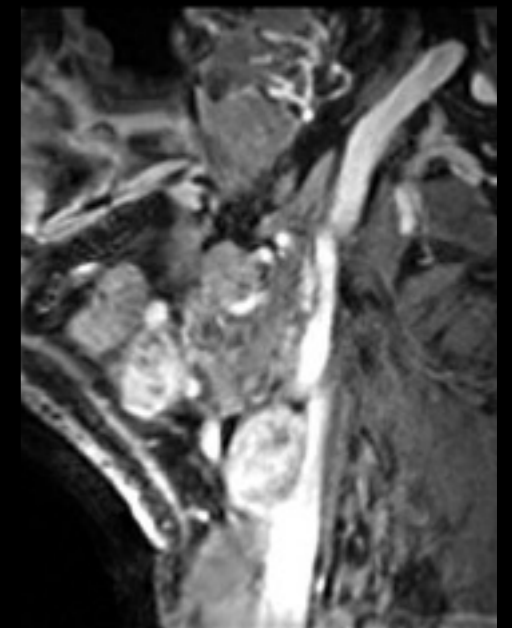
MEDIAN NODE SIZE IS RANGING FROM 3.5 TO 5 CM

INVOLVEMENT OF **LEVEL II** FOLLOWED BY **LEVEL III**

BILATERAL INVOLVEMENT IN LESS THAN 10%

DESPITE AN ADEQUATE DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP, THE
PRIMARY TUMOR CANNOT BE DETECTED IN
APPROXIMATELY 2-3% OF PATIENTS

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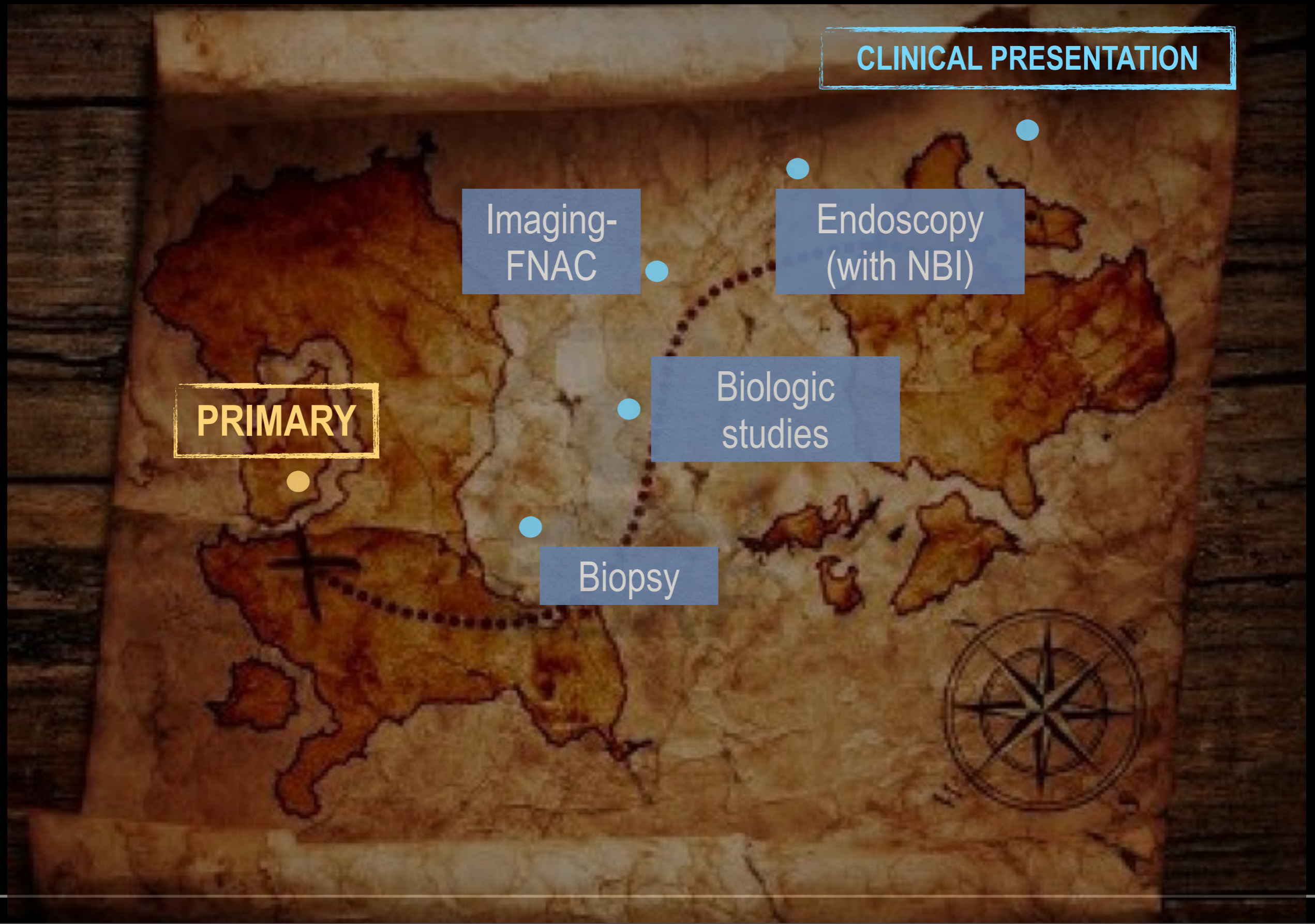


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CLINICAL PRESENTATION

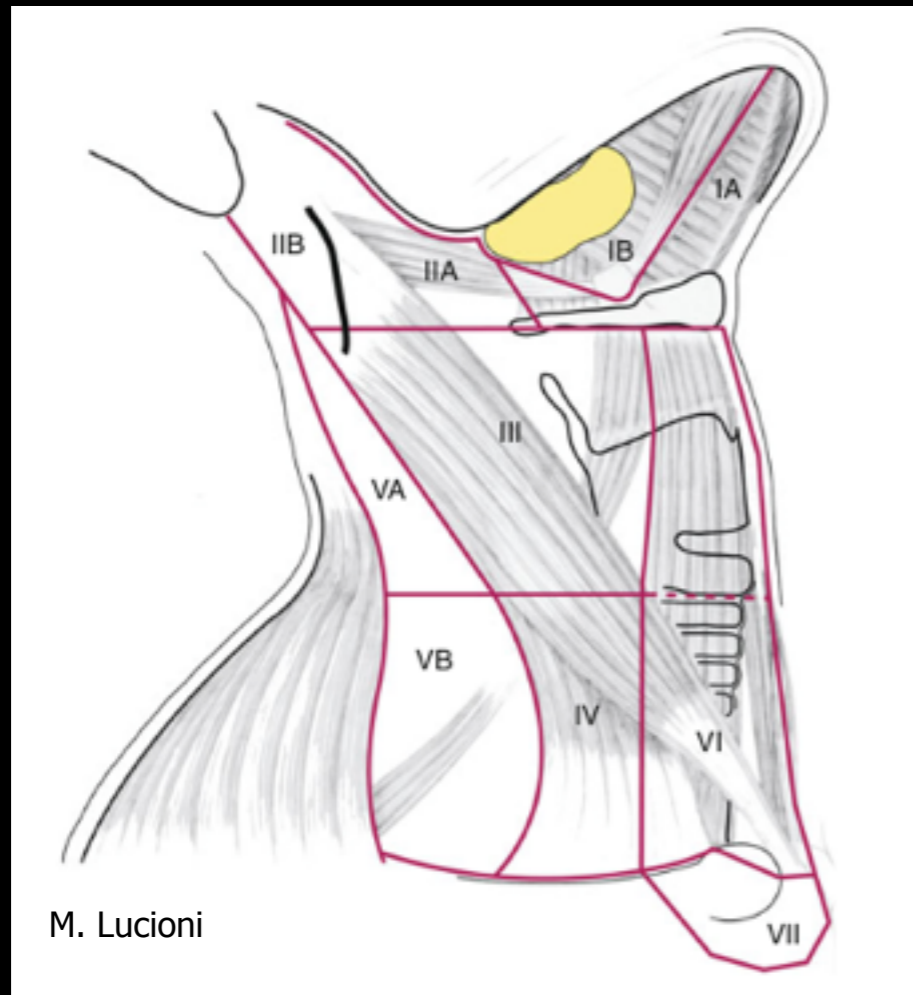


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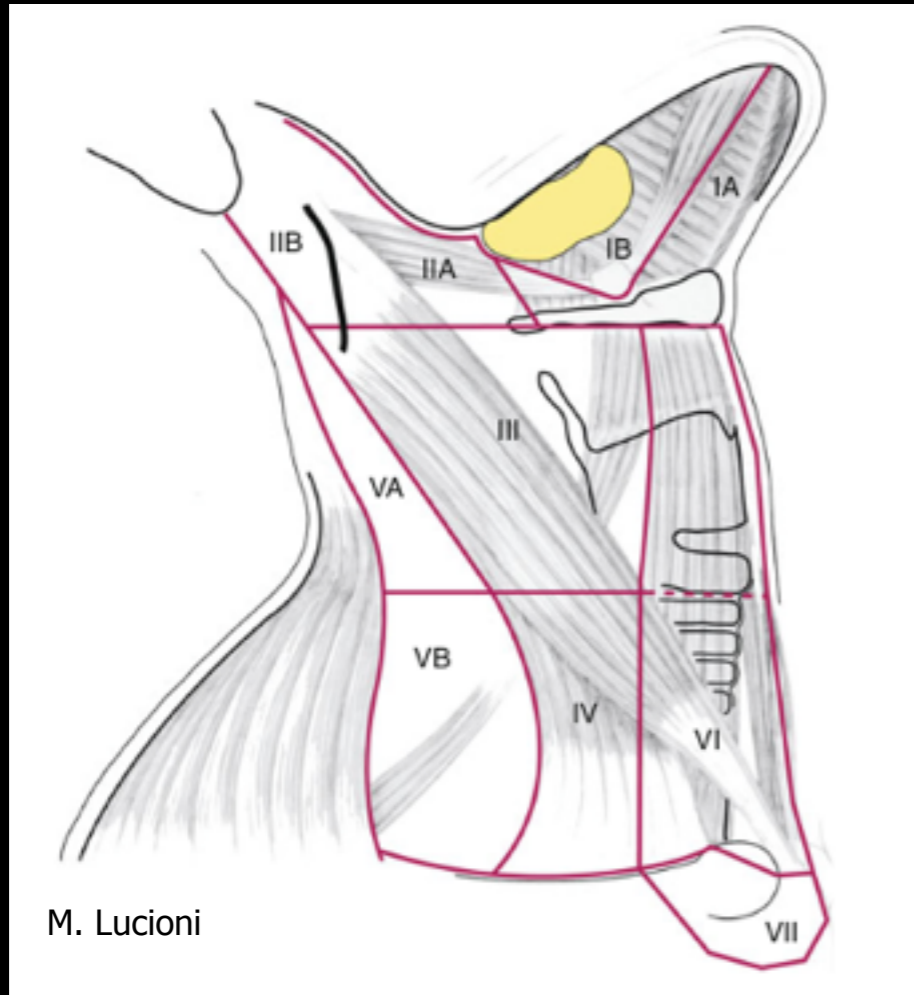
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LOCATION OF CERVICAL LYMPHONODE



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LEVELS I-III
ORAL CAVITY
LIP

LEVELS II-IV
OROPHARYNX
HYPOPHARYNX
LARYNX
THYROID

INTRAPAROTID
LYMPHNODES
SKIN
SALIVARY TUMORS

LEVEL V
NASOPHARYNX

**50% OF MASSES LIMITED TO LEVEL IV AND/OR SUPRACLAVICULAR FOSSA
ARE FROM PRIMARY TUMOR ARISING BELOW THE CLAVICLE
(I.E. LUNG, BREAST, GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT, KIDNEY, AND OVARY)**

IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRIMARY TUMOR

PANENDOSCOPY

Cianchetti M et al., Laryngoscope 2009

IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRIMARY TUMOR

PANENDOSCOPY

EVALUATION OF THE UADT

(NASOPHARYNX, ORAL CAVITY, OROPHARYNX, LARYNX, HYPOPHARYNX AND CERVICAL ESOPHAGUS)



**DIRECT BIOPSIES OF SUSPICIOUS AREAS
(NO RANDOM BIOPSIES!!)**

PATIENT UNDER GENERAL ANESTHESIA - IF REQUIRED

**WHEN ROUTINE DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP FAILED TO IDENTIFY THE PRIMARY
SUBSEQUENT PANENDOSCOPY HAD SUCCESS IN 29.2%**

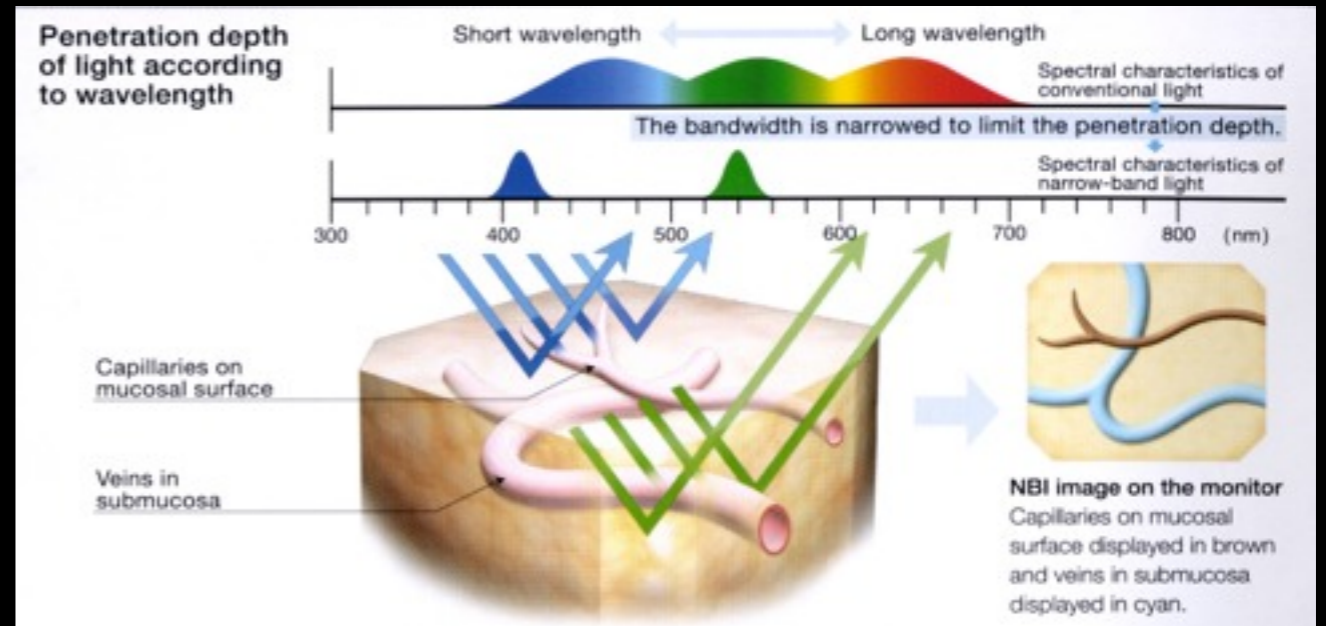
**BRONCHOSCOPY IS WARRANTED WHEN THERE IS AN
ABNORMALITY OF THE LUNG ON CHEST IMAGES**



Cianchetti M et al., Laryngoscope 2009

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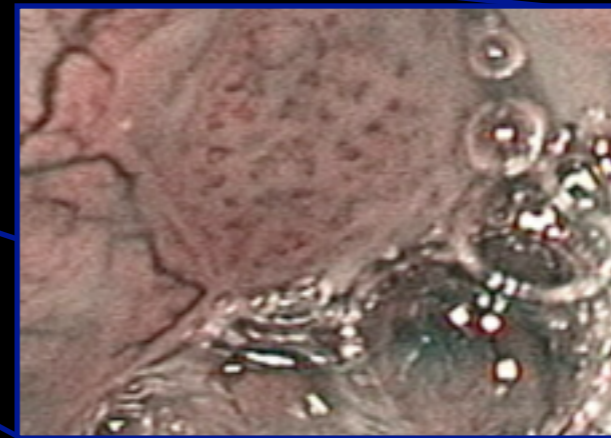
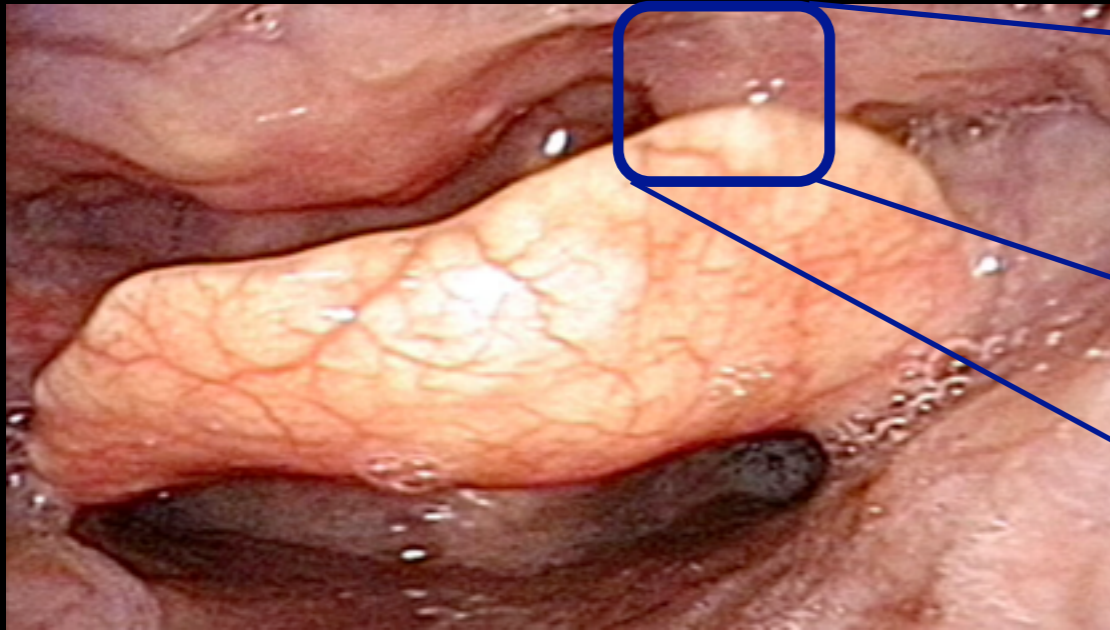
NARROW BAND IMAGING



CLINICAL PRESENTATION
RIGHT N1 LEV II-III

IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRIMARY TUMOR

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PATTERN NBI +
BASE OF THE TONGUE

CLINICAL PRESENTATION
RIGHT N1 LEV II-III

HAYASHI ET AL. WERE ABLE TO IDENTIFY **16 PRIMARY CANCERS** (10 IN THE HYPOPHARYNX AND 6 IN THE OROPHARYNX) BY **NBI ALONE** IN 46 PATIENTS WITH TX PREVIOUSLY EVALUATED BY CT, MRI, PET, LARYNGOSCOPY, AND GASTROINTESTINAL ENDOSCOPY

SAKAI ET AL REPORTED A DETECTION RATE OF TX **IMPROVED FROM 40%** BY WL ENDOSCOPY IN A CONVENTIONAL STRAIGHT HEAD POSITION **TO 71%** BY NBI WITH ADJUNCTIVE MANOEUVRES (HEAD TORSION, KILLIAN POSITION AND VALSALVA)

Hayashi T et al., Jpn J Clin Oncol 2010
Sakai A et al., Laryngoscope 2010

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FOR METASTATIC LESIONS:

SENSITIVITY: 83-97%

SPECIFICITY: 91-100%



SCC ACCOUNTS FOR 53-77%

THE REMAINING ARE ADENOCARCINOMA AND UNDIFFERENTIATED CARCINOMA

BUT....IN **CYSTIC METASTASES**, A FALSE-NEGATIVE RATE OF 42% WITH FNAC IS REPORTED WITH SENSITIVITY RANGING FROM 33% TO 50%, BECAUSE IT CAN BE DIFFICULT TO DISTINGUISH CYSTIC METASTASES FROM BENIGN BRANCHIAL CYSTS, ABSCESS, OR TUBERCULOSIS



Open cervical lymphnode biopsy is indicated **only when** repeated FNAC followed by a core-needle-biopsy are nondiagnostic or in patients with masses clinically and histologically suspicious for lymphoma

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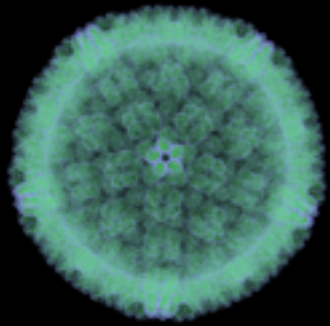
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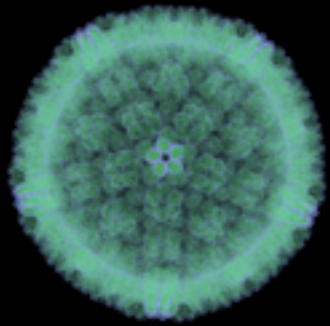
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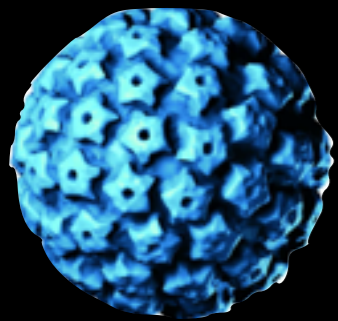
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92% **TYPE 16** (FOLLOWED BY TYPE 18, 33 AND 58)



HPV

STRONGLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE PRESENCE OF **CYSTIC CERVICAL METASTASIS**

DETERMINATION OF HPV STATUS CAN BE OBTAINED BY FNAC

95% OF SCC HPV+ ARE **NON KERATINIZING**
85% OF SCC KERATINIZING ARE HPV -

HPV RELATED SCC ARE GENERALLY DIAGNOSED WITH **EARLIER T CATEGORY** AND MORE **ADVANCED N CATEGORY**

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DIFFERENT PATIENTS

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DIFFERENT PATIENTS

DIFFERENT DISEASE ?

MALE

55-65 YEAR-OLD

TOBACCO AND/OR ALCOHOL ABUSE

MIDDLE AGE

NON SMOKER

HPV-RELATED CANCER



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p16-positive status

Associated with *younger age, nonsmoker status, and lower disease burden at presentation*



Low-risk UP patients for potential treatment de-escalation

Dixon et al, Head Neck (2016)

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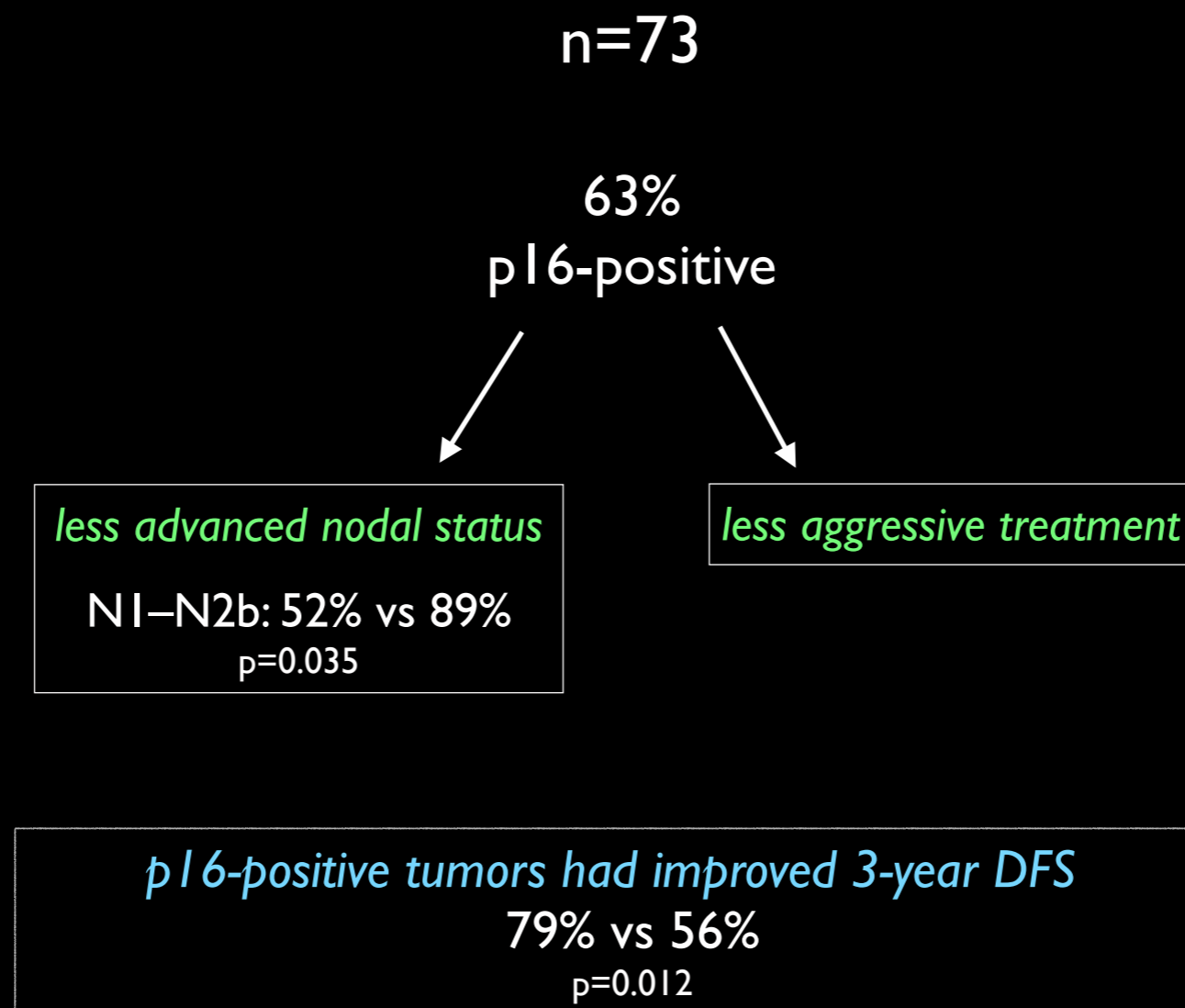
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***p16-positive status is an independent predictor of DFS,
but not of OS***

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IMAGING: MRI OR CT SCAN

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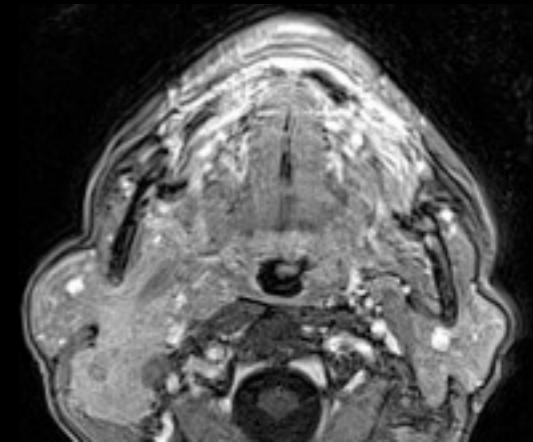
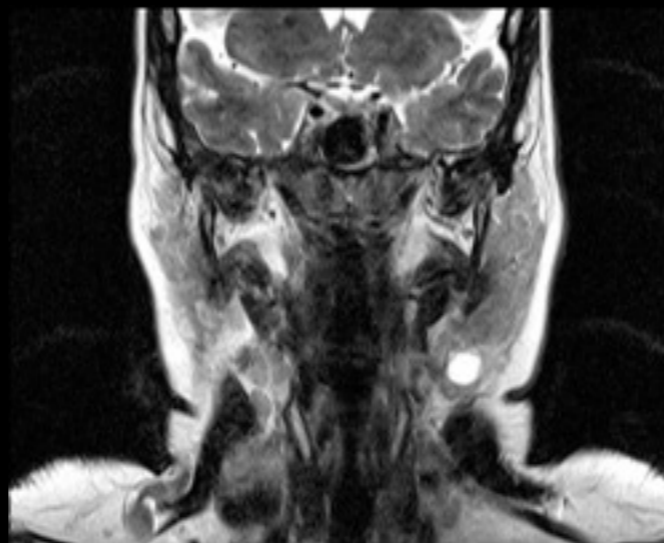
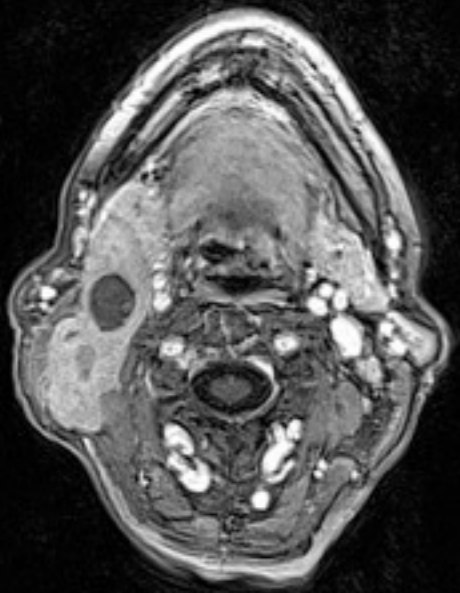
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THE POTENTIAL OF **CT, MR, OR BOTH** TO DETECT A PRIMARY TUMOR IS IN THE RANGE OF **9.3% TO 23%**, RISING 60% WHEN SUSPICIOUS RADIOLOGIC FINDINGS DIRECT SUBSEQUENT ENDOSCOPIC BIOPSIES



Cianchetti M et al., Laryngoscope 2009
Strojan P et al., Head Neck 2013

IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRIMARY TUMOR

IMAGING: PET-CT / FDG-PET

PET-CT DETECTION RATE OF THE PRIMARY TUMOR: 24.5%
(SENSITIVITY 88.3%, SPECIFICITY 74.9%, DIAGNOSTIC
ACCURACY 78.8%)

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**FDG-PET/CT ON THE LOCATION OF THE PRIMARY SITE:
TONSIL 6.9%, BASE OF TONGUE 9.8%, AND PHARYNX 13.7%.
FALSE-POSITIVE: 41.6%, 16.7%, AND 12.5%, RESPECTIVELY
SENSITIVITY: 87.5%, 83.3%, AND 87.5%, RESPECTIVELY**

Zhu et al., Surg Oncol 2013

COMPARISON BETWEEN FDG-PET AND FDG-PET/CT: THE LATTER HAD A HIGHER SENSITIVITY AND SPECIFICITY

Dong et al., Nucl Med Commun 2008



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TONSILLECTOMY

Tonsillectomy has a role in the diagnostic work-up of CUP

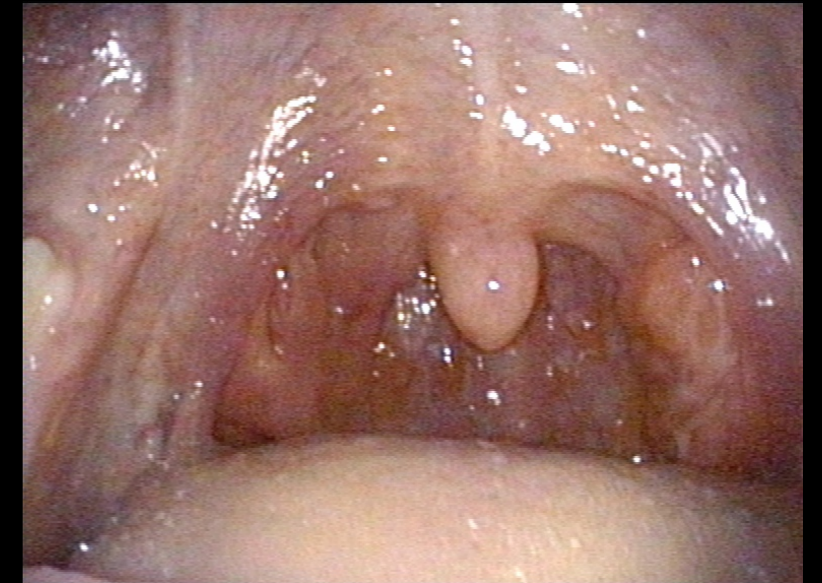
IT IS ESPECIALLY USEFUL WHEN LYMPH NODES ARE LOCATED IN THE UPPER AND/OR MIDDLE JUGULAR GROUP WITH A CYSTIC ASPECT

Righini C.-A. et al Eur Ann Otol, 2014

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Strojan et al., Head Neck 2013

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IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRIMARY TUMOR

TONSILLECTOMY

Tonsillectomy has a role in the diagnostic work-up of CUP

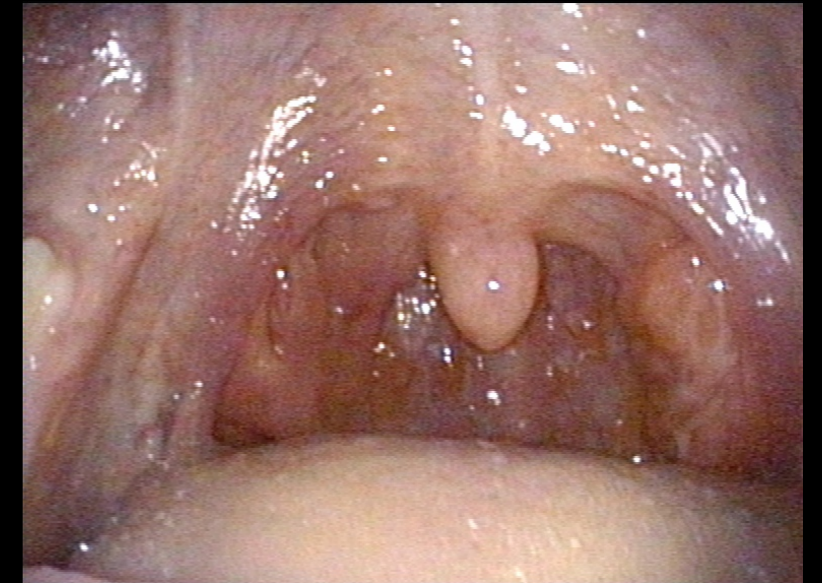
IT IS ESPECIALLY USEFUL WHEN LYMPH NODES ARE LOCATED IN THE UPPER AND/OR MIDDLE JUGULAR GROUP WITH A CYSTIC ASPECT

Righini C.-A. et al Eur Ann Otol, 2014

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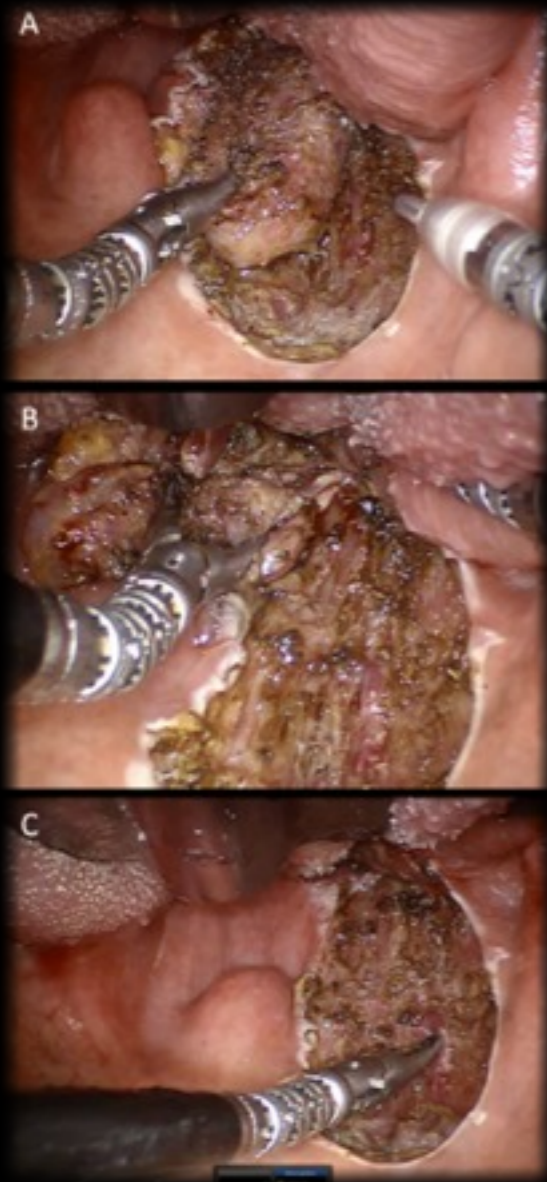


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Mendenhall W. M. et al., Head Neck 2015

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PRIMARY REVEALED IN 77%

SCC OF PALATINE TONSIL IN 59%

SCC OF BOT TONSIL 18%

NO GASTROSTOMY TUBE NEITHER TRACHEOTOMY WERE
NECESSARY AFTER TORS

ADJUVANT THERAPY: RT ALONE 59.1%, RT-CHT 40.9%

Durmus K, Head Neck 2013

OVERALL IDENTIFICATION PRIMARY (PRE-OP WORK-UP + TORS): 34/47 : 72.3%

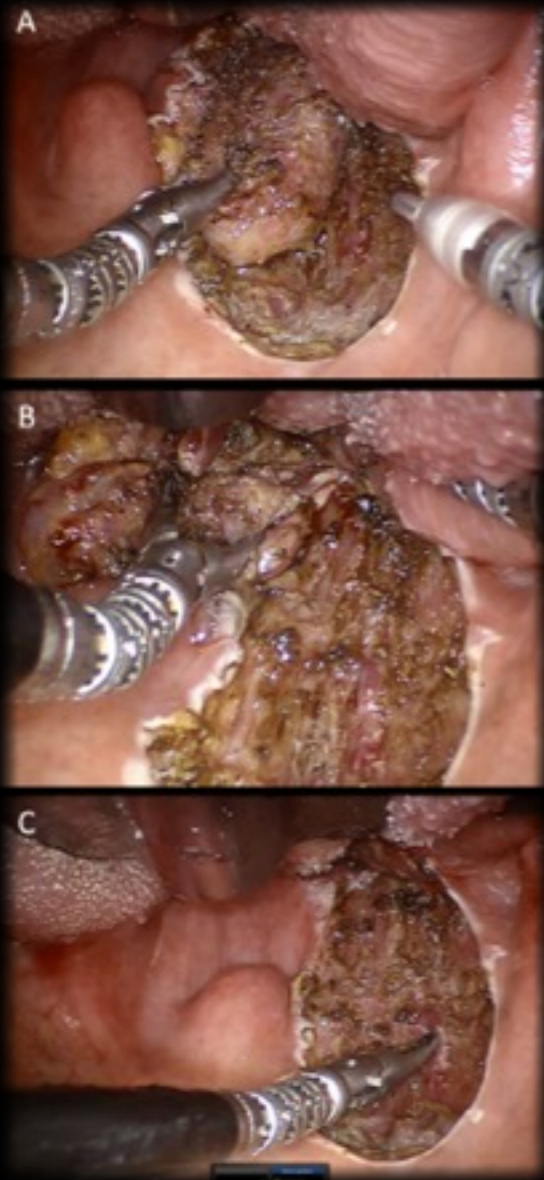
TORS IDENTIFICATION PRIMARY: 13/18: 72.2% (PALATIN TONSIL AND BOT)

PRIMARY TUMOR SIZE: 0.2 - 2CM
NO ADJUVANT THERAPY FOR PT1N1

Patel S, JAMA Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg 2013

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TORS is associated with an incremental cost-effectiveness ratio of \$8619 compared with traditional EUA alone

JK Byrd, Otolaryngol Head
Neck Surg 2014

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EARLY STAGE NECK DISEASE

**IN LOW-VOLUME NECK DISEASE
(N1 AND EARLY N2A)
WITHOUT EXTRACAPSULAR SPREAD (ECS)**

**EXCELLENT REGIONAL CONTROL
WITH EITHER SURGERY OR RT
ALONE**

**NECK LEVELS DISSECTION AS APPROPRIATE
OR RT OF THE INVOLVED NECK.**

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NOT CLEAR WHAT IS THE OPTIMAL THERAPY...

SURGERY WITH POSTOPERATIVE RT

VS

(CHEMO) RADIOTHERAPY FOLLOWED BY NECK DISSECTION ONLY IN THOSE PATIENTS WHO DO NOT ACHIEVE A COMPLETE CLINICAL OR METABOLIC PET RESPONSE TO IRRADIATION

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Total Mucosal Irradiation with Intensity-modulated Radiotherapy in Patients with Head and Neck Carcinoma of Unknown Primary: A Pooled Analysis of Two Prospective Studies **2016**

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PATIENTS (N=36) RECEIVED IMRT TO THE POTENTIAL PRIMARY TUMOUR SITES AND ELECTIVE CERVICAL NODES. CONCOMITANT CHEMOTHERAPY WAS USED IN PATIENTS WHO RECEIVED PRIMARY RADIOTHERAPY OR THOSE WITH NODAL EXTRACAPSULAR EXTENSION.

FUNCTIONAL OUTCOMES

GRADE 3 DYSPHAGIA AT 1 YEAR: 33%

G-TUBE DEPENDANCY AT 1 YEAR: 2.7%

HIGH-GRADE XEROSTOMIA AT 2 YEARS: 15%

SURVIVAL OUTCOMES

| Survival | 2 year survival rate (95% confidence interval) |
|--|---|
| Overall survival | 81.3% (67.6–95.0) |
| PFS | 77.6% (62.5–92.7) |
| Locoregional (lymph node and mucosa) PFS | 89.8% (78.4–100) |
| Primary mucosal PFS | 97.1% (91.4–100) |
| Cervical lymph node PFS | 89.8% (78.4–100) |

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NO FIRM CONCLUSIONS CAN BE DRAWN ON SOME ISSUES BASED ON THE AVAILABLE LITERATURE

CONTRALATERAL NECK RECURRENCE ARE RARE...

CANDIDATES FOR BILATERAL NECK RT:
SUSPECTED MIDLINE PRIMARY
EXTENSIVE NODAL DISEASE



MORBIDITY
LIMITATIONS FOR SALVAGE SURGERY

RADICAL NECK DISSECTION IS RARELY INDICATED AS IT IS
COMPREHENSIVE (LEVELS I–V) NECK DISSECTION

Galloway TJ et al, J Clin Oncol, 2015
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SYSTEMIC THERAPY

INTENSIFICATION OF (LOCO)REGIONAL TREATMENT: IMPROVING NECK CONTROL

PALLIATE THE SYMPTOMS OF REGIONALLY ADVANCED DISEASE OR SYSTEMIC METASTASES

IMPACT OF IMMUNOTHERAPY WAS NOT DESCRIBED IN LITERATURE

Nieder C et al., J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys, 2001

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SURVIVAL FOR PATIENT WITH RECURRENCE IS POOR

IS DEINTENSIFICATION A SAFE PROGRAM ?

**NO DATA AVAIABLE IN LITERATURE ABOUT
IPSILATERAL IRRADIATION VS MORE EXTENSIVE
FIELD
(EVEN IF BILATERAL NECK RT PRODUCE
GRATIFYING RESULTS)**

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| Bilateral neck radiation | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Author, Yera | n ^a | Years | Prior EUA (with Biopsy), % | Prior CT or MRI, % | Prior PET, % | Chemo RT, % | Neck Dissection, % | Mucosal Emergence, % | Ipsilateral Neck Failure, % | Contralateral Neck Failure, % | Distant Failure, ^b % |
| Wallace ⁴⁴ | 179 | 1964–2006 | 87 (—) | 74 CT 8 MRI | 9 | 1 IND 5 CRT | 61 | 8 actuarial rate at 5 y | 19 actuarial rate at 5 y | 14 actuarial rate at 5 y | 14 actuarial rate at 5 y |
| Colletier ⁴³ | 136 (120) | 1968–1992 | 96 (83) | 45 | 0 | 0 | 71 29 ExBx | 8 actuarial rate at 5 y | 8 | 1 | 15 actuarial rate at 5 y |
| Reddy ⁴¹ | 36 | 1974–1989 | All | All after 1978 | 0 | 0 | 63 | 8 | 31 | 14 | 15 |
| Grau et al, ³ 2000 | 224 | 1975–1995 | 94 (55) | 30 CT 7 MRI | 1 | 0 | 9 45 ExBx | 8 ^c | Not Reported LRC: 48 | 2 | 7 |
| Perkins ⁴² | 25 | 1989–2008 | 100 (100) | 100 CT or MRI | 36 | 28 | 68 8 ExBx | 4 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Ligey et al, ¹⁰ 2009 | 36 | 1990–2007 | — (19) | Use of CT 'Varied' 2 MRI | 17 | 6 IND 39 CRT | 83 | 6 | 19 | 19 | 30 |
| Keller et al, ⁴ 2013 | 35 | 1990–2010 | 100 (100) | 100 CT or MRI | 40 | 11 | 89 11 ExBx | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Demiroz ⁴⁵ | 41 | 1994–2009 | 100 (100) | 100 CT or MRI | 66 | 61 | 54 ExBx:29 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 19.50 |
| Frank ³⁷ | 52 (46) | 1998–2005 | 100 (—) | 100 CT or MRI | 50 | 15 IND 12 CRT | 50 27 ExBx | 2 actuarial rate at 5 y | 4 | 2 | 8.3 actuarial rate at 5 y |
| Klem ⁴⁶ | 21 | 2000–2005 | — | 100 CT and/or MRI | 95 | 67 | 62 14 ExBx | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| Chen ⁴⁷ | 60 | 2001–2009 | 100 (100) | 100 CT | 32 | 53 | 70 5 ExBx | 3 | 5 | 2 | 16 actuarial rate at 2 y |
| Sher ⁴⁸ | 24 | 2004–2009 | 100 (100) | 100 CT | 100 | 29 IND 100 CRT | 25 33 ExBx | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Mourad ⁴⁹ | 68 | 1998–2010 | All | — | — | 56 | 44 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

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