

# Radiotherapy in NSCLC: State-of-the-art

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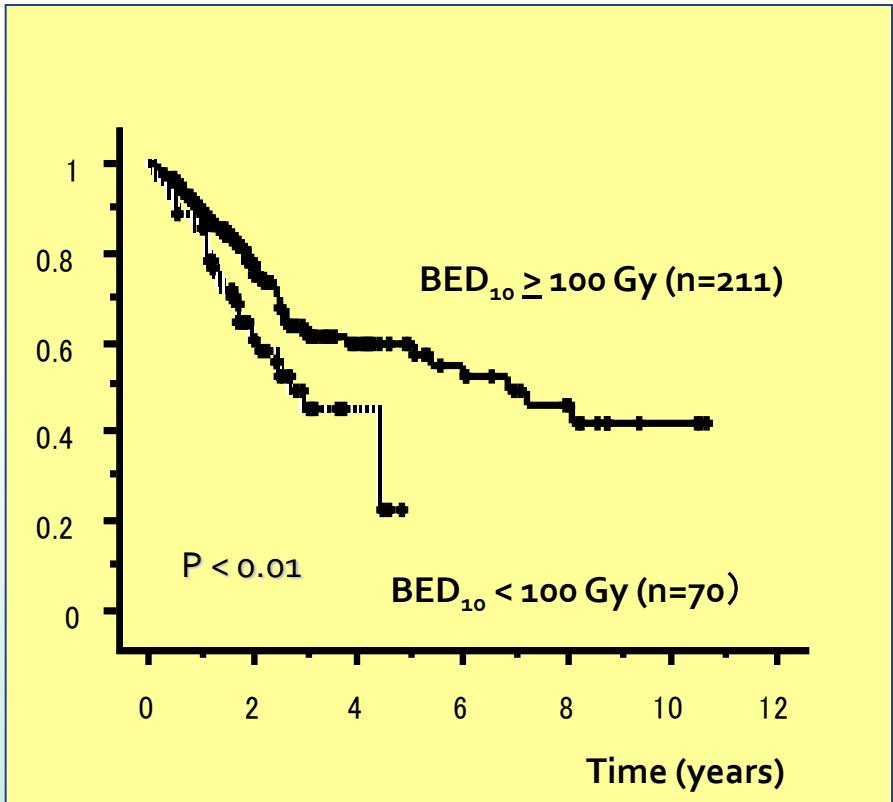
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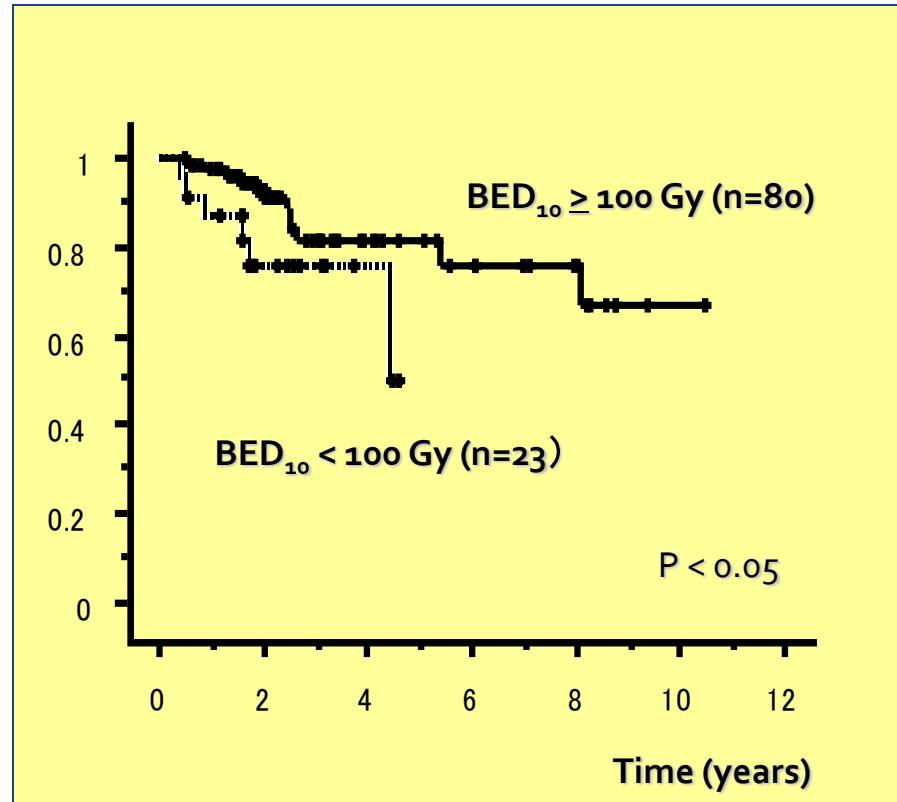
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# Stage I

# Overall survival $BED_{10} < 100$ vs. $BED_{10} \geq 100$



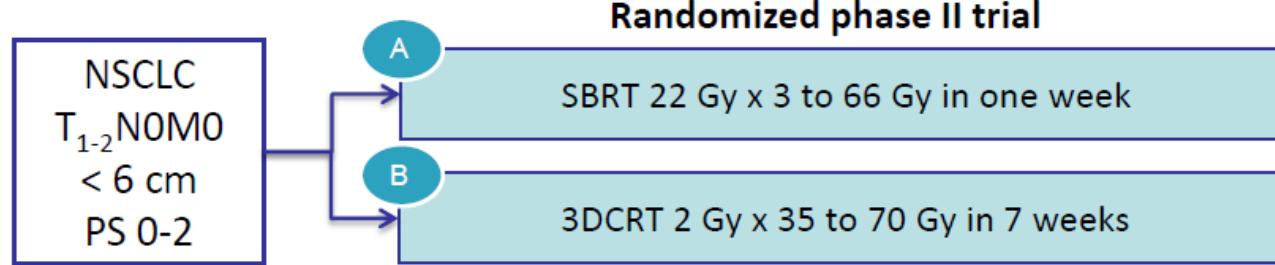
Overall survival in all patients



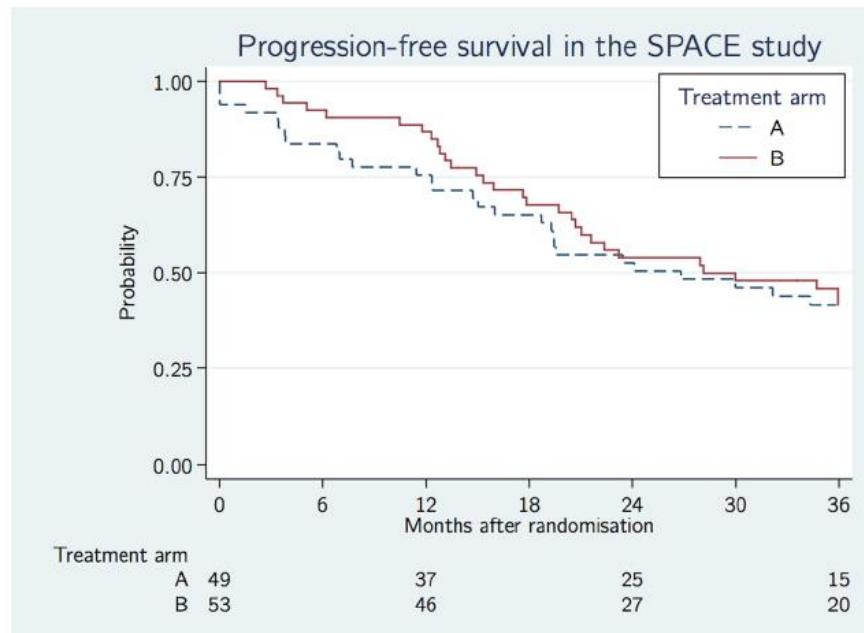
Overall survival in operable patients

# SPACE study

$3 \times 15 \text{ Gy on the PTV edge}$   
 $= 103 \text{ Gy EQD}_{2,T} (\text{a/b}=8 \text{ Gy})$



• Primair eindpunt:  
PFS



$= 58 \text{ Gy EQD}_{2,T} (\text{a/b}=8 \text{ Gy})$

Fig. 1. Progression free survival by treatment arm (A = SBRT, B = 3DCRT), ITT analysis. HR = 0.85, 95% CI: 0.52–1.36.

# CHISEL: A randomized phase III trial of SABR vs conventional radiotherapy for inoperable stage I non-small cell lung cancer

## TROG 09.02, ALTG 09.05

Trial Registration NCT01014130

David Ball, Tao Mai, Shalini Vnod, Scott Babington, Jeremy Ruben, Tomas Kron, Brent Chesson, Alan Hershtal, Marijana Vanevski, Angela Rezo, Christine Elder, Marketa Skala, Andrew Wirth, Greg Wheeler,  
Adeline Lim, Mark Shaw

On behalf of the CHISEL investigators



# Study design

Stratify:  
T1 vs T2a  
Medically inoperable vs medically operable  
Randomize 2:1



54 Gy 3 fx in 2 weeks  
or  
48 Gy 4 fx in 2 weeks

66 Gy 33 fx in 6.5 weeks  
or  
50 Gy 20 fx in 4 weeks

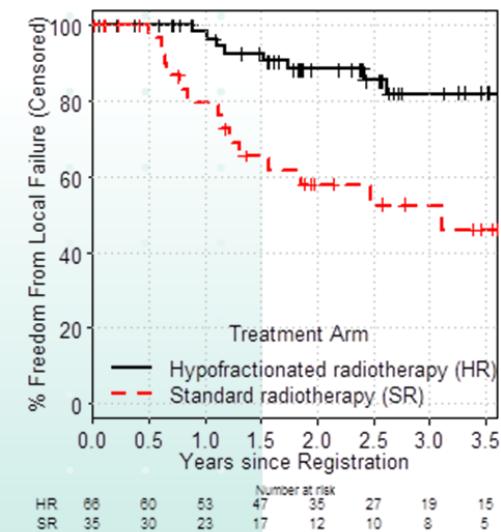
140 Gy EQD<sub>2T</sub>

96 Gy EQD<sub>2T</sub>

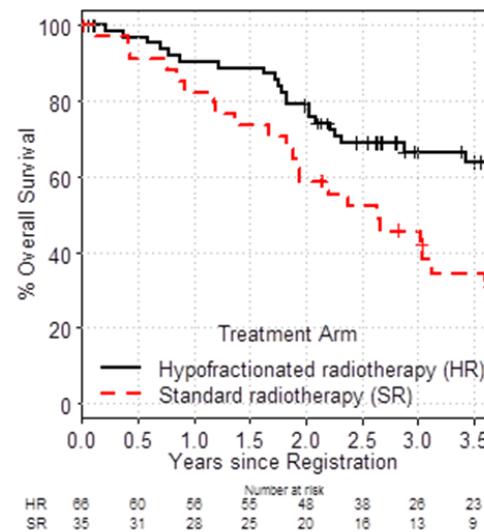
56 Gy EQD<sub>2T</sub>

53 Gy EQD<sub>2T</sub>

# Freedom from local failure and overall survival



HR 0.29,  
95% CI 0.13, 0.66  
P = 0.002



HR 0.51  
95% CI 0.29, 0.91  
P = 0.020

# Grade 3+ toxicities by arm

	SABR	Conventional
Dyspnoea	2 (1 grade 4)	0
Cough	2	0
Fatigue	1	0
Chest wall pain/pain	1	2
Lung infection	1	0
Hypoxia	1	0
Weight loss	1	0



# Toxicity and second primary lung cancers in late survivors following lung SBRT. Giuliani et al.

Second primaries:

2-4 %/year up to 18 years following treatment

- 1192 patients
- 5 y OS: 14 % (182 patients)
- *Toxicity*
  - G2 fatigue: 5/182 (2.7 %)
  - G2 rib fracture: 1/182
  - G2 chronic myositis: 8/182 (4.4 %)
- *Failures*
  - LR: 3/182; regional failure: 2/182; DM: 5/182
- *Second primary lung cancers*
  - 22 (12 %)

# Conclusions

- SBRT is superior to conventional radiotherapy → No change of current practice in The Netherlands
- The incidence of second cancers after SBRT and other treatment is ± 4%/year: equals highest risk groups in screening study → life-long yearly low-dose chest-CT?

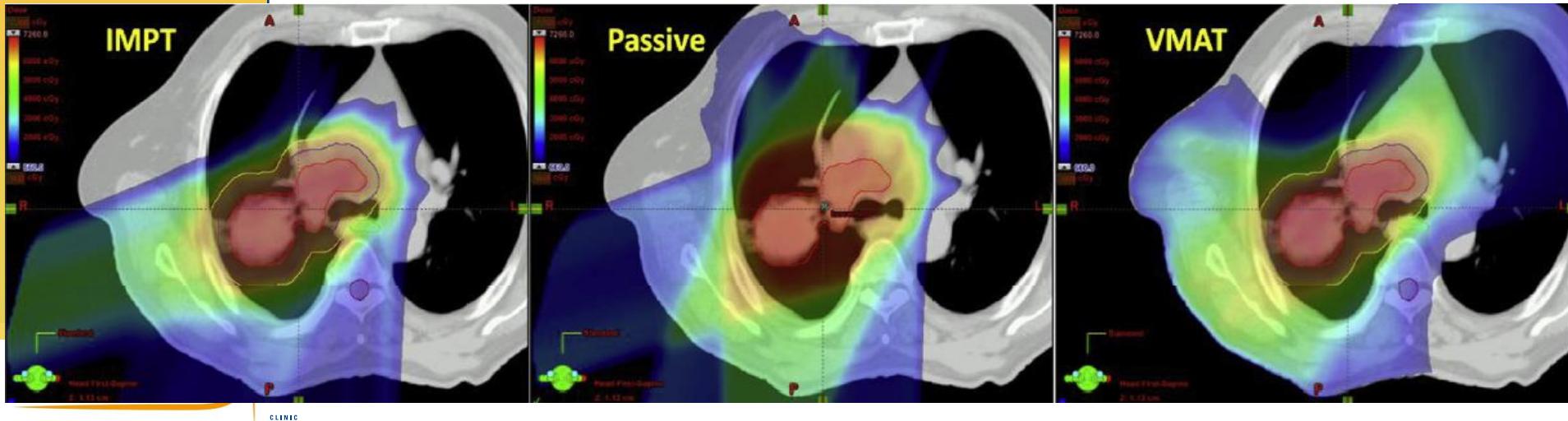
# Stage III

# Proton Therapy

Critical Review

## Consensus Statement on Proton Therapy in Early-Stage and Locally Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Joe Y. Chang, MD, PhD,\* Salma K. Jabbour, MD,†  
Dirk De Ruysscher, MD,‡ Steven E. Schild, MD,§ Charles B. Simone, II, MD,||  
Ramesh Rengan, MD,¶ Steven Feigenberg, MD,# Atif J. Khan, MD,†  
Noah C. Choi, MD,\*\* Jeffrey D. Bradley, MD,†† Xiaorong R. Zhu, PhD,††  
Antony J. Lomax, PhD,§§ and Bradford S. Hoppe, MD|||, on behalf of the  
International Particle Therapy Co-operative Group (PTCOG) Thoracic  
Subcommittee



# I am still sober ...

Critical Review

## Proton Therapy in Children: A Systematic Review of Clinical Effectiveness in 15 Pediatric Cancers

Roos Leroy, PhD,\* Nadia Benahmed, MSc,\* Frank Hulstaert, MD,\* Nancy Van Damme, PhD,<sup>†</sup> and Dirk De Ruysscher, PhD<sup>†</sup>

Leroy et al. *Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys* 2016

Systematic review

A systematic literature review of the clinical and cost-effectiveness of hadron therapy in cancer

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Proton Therapy in Clinical Practice: Current Clinical Evidence

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Systematic review

Charged particles in radiotherapy: A 5-year update of a systematic review

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# A Bayesian Randomization Trial of Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT) vs. 3-Dimensional Passively Scattered Proton Therapy (3DPT) for Locally Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Carcinoma

(clinicaltrials.gov identifier NCT00915005)

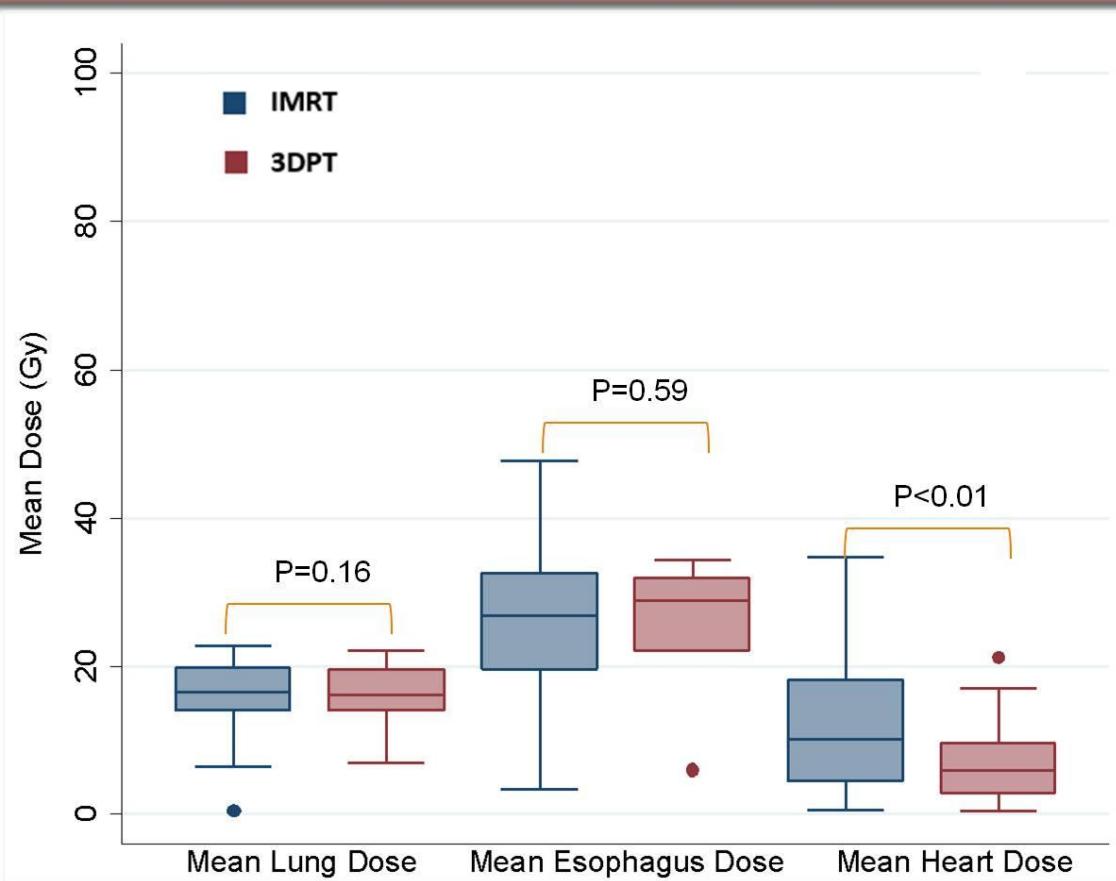
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Presented By Zhongxing Liao at 2016 ASCO Annual Meeting

# Lung, Esophagus and Heart Mean Dose

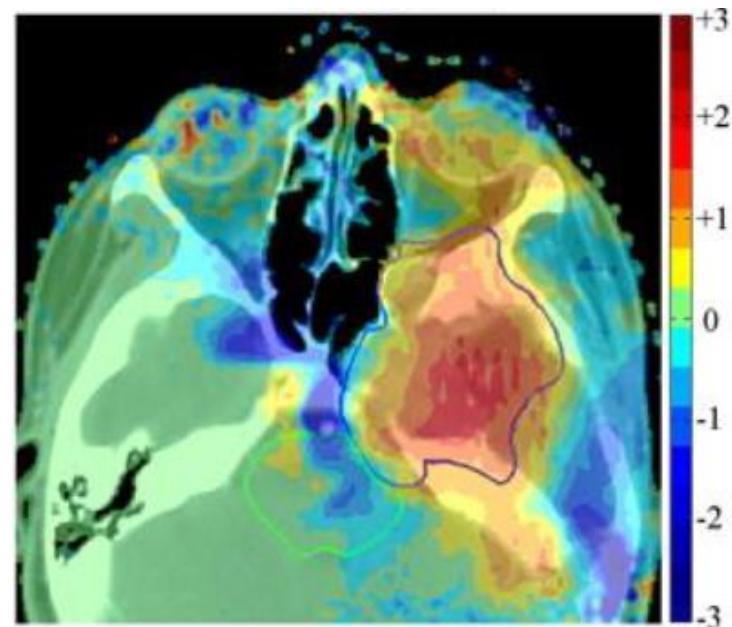
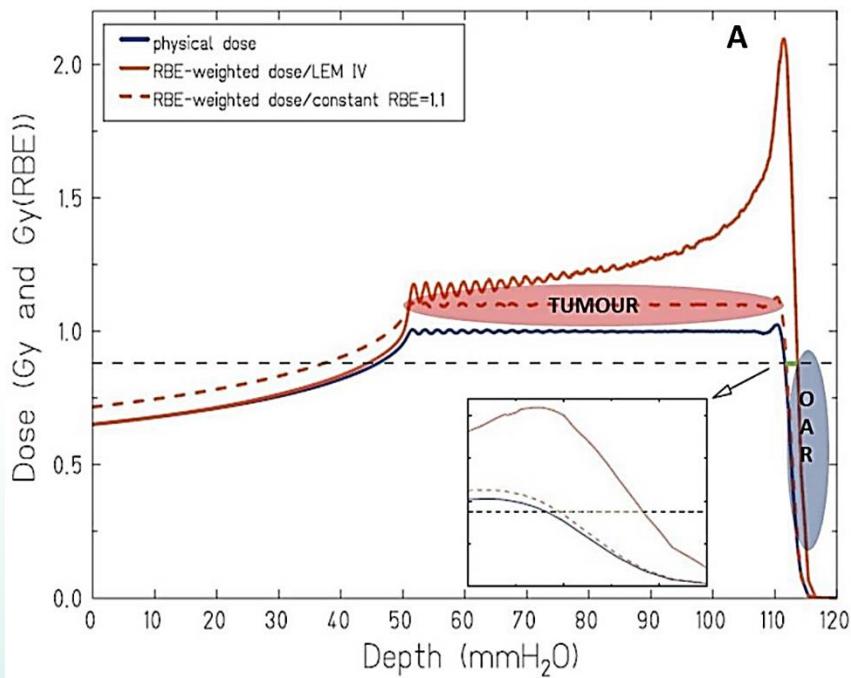


# Systematic introduction of new technology

- Phase 0: “In silico” **quantitative** modelling: Is a **measurable clinical benefit** probable?
- Phase I: Can the technology be applied safely?
- Phase II: Prospective clinical study
- Phase III: Randomised trial if possible/ needed (**evident** gain is necessary)
- Phase IV: Outcome of wide-scale implementation

# Potentials and limitations of proton therapy

- IMPT with robust plans? Passive Scattering PT?
- Uncertainties
  - Anatomical changes
  - Range uncertainties
  - Set-up/Movement
  - RBE



# Model-based indications

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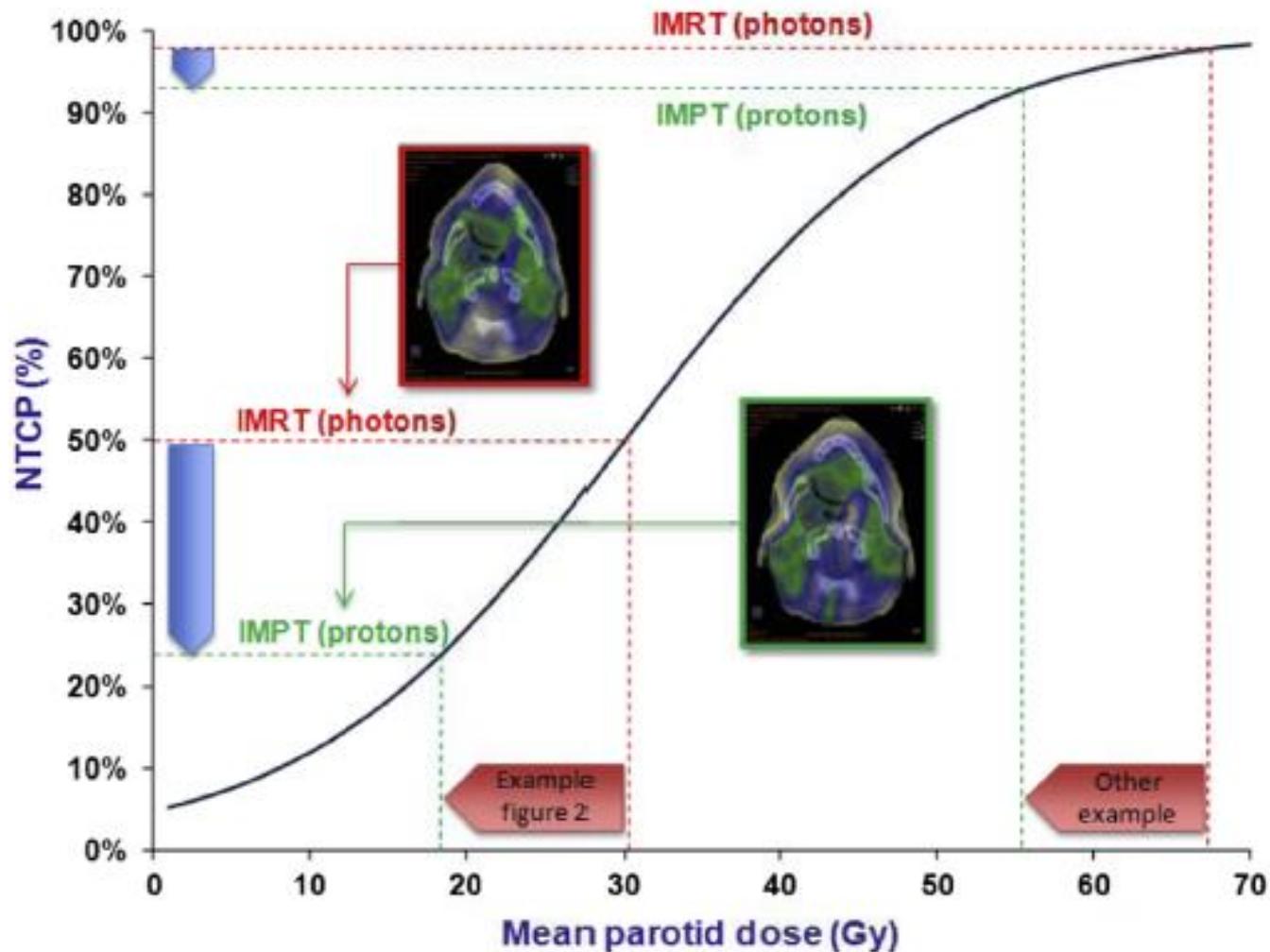
Selection of patients for radiotherapy with protons aiming at reduction of side effects: The model-based approach

Johannes A. Langendijk <sup>a,\*</sup>, Philippe Lambin <sup>b</sup>, Dirk De Ruysscher <sup>c</sup>, Joachim Widder <sup>a</sup>, Mike Bos <sup>d</sup>, Marcel Verheij <sup>e</sup>

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# Model-based indications

Selection of patients for protons



Langendijk JA, et al. Radiother Oncol. 2013

# $\Delta$ NTCP

- Grade 1: are not taken into account
- Grade  $\geq 2$ : minimal **10%**
- Grade  $\geq 3$ : minimal **5%**
- Grade  $\geq 4$ : minimal **2%**

When several side effects are occurring simultaneously:

- Grade  $\geq 2$ :  $\Sigma \Delta$ NTCP minimal 15%
- Grade  $\geq 3$ :  $\Sigma \Delta$ NTCP minimal 7.5%
- Grade  $\geq 4$ :  $\Sigma \Delta$ NTCP minimal 3%

# Choice of the NTCP model

Annals of Internal Medicine RESEARCH AND REPORTING METHODS

## Transparent Reporting of a multivariable prediction model for Individual Prognosis Or Diagnosis (TRIPOD): The TRIPOD Statement

Gary S. Collins, PhD; Johannes B. Reitsma, MD, PhD; Douglas G. Altman, DSC; and Karel G.M. Moons, PhD

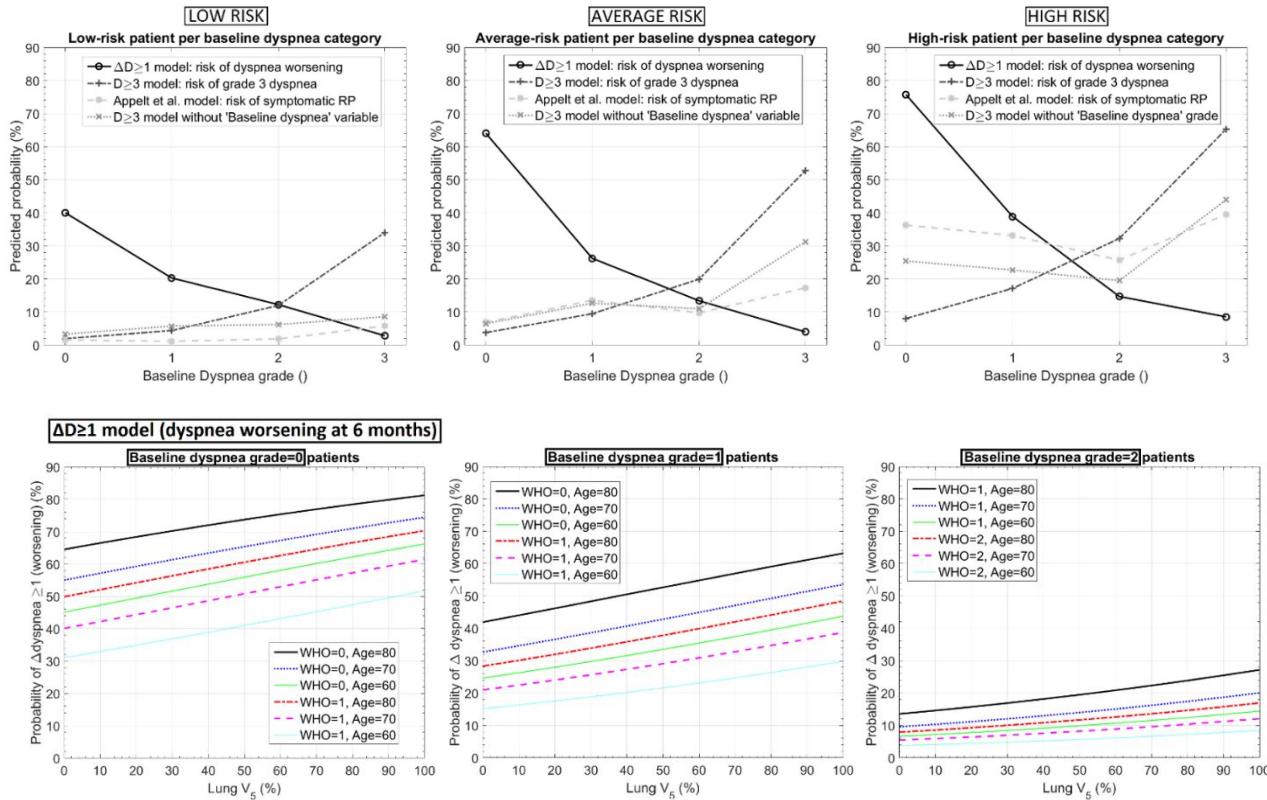
Prediction models are developed to aid health care providers in estimating the probability or risk that a specific disease or condition is present (diagnostic models) or that a specific event will occur in the future (prognostic models), to inform their decision making. However, the overwhelming evidence shows that the quality of reporting of prediction model studies is poor. Only with full and clear reporting of information on all aspects of a prediction model can risk of bias and potential usefulness of prediction models be adequately assessed. The Transparent Re-

2011 with methodologists, health care professionals, and journal editors. The list was refined during several meetings of the steering group and in e-mail discussions with the wider group of TRIPOD contributors. The resulting TRIPOD Statement is a checklist of 22 items, deemed essential for transparent reporting of a prediction model study. The TRIPOD Statement aims to improve the transparency of the reporting of a prediction model study regardless of the study methods used. The TRIPOD Statement is best used in conjunction with the TRIPOD explanation

[www.tripod-statement.org](http://www.tripod-statement.org)

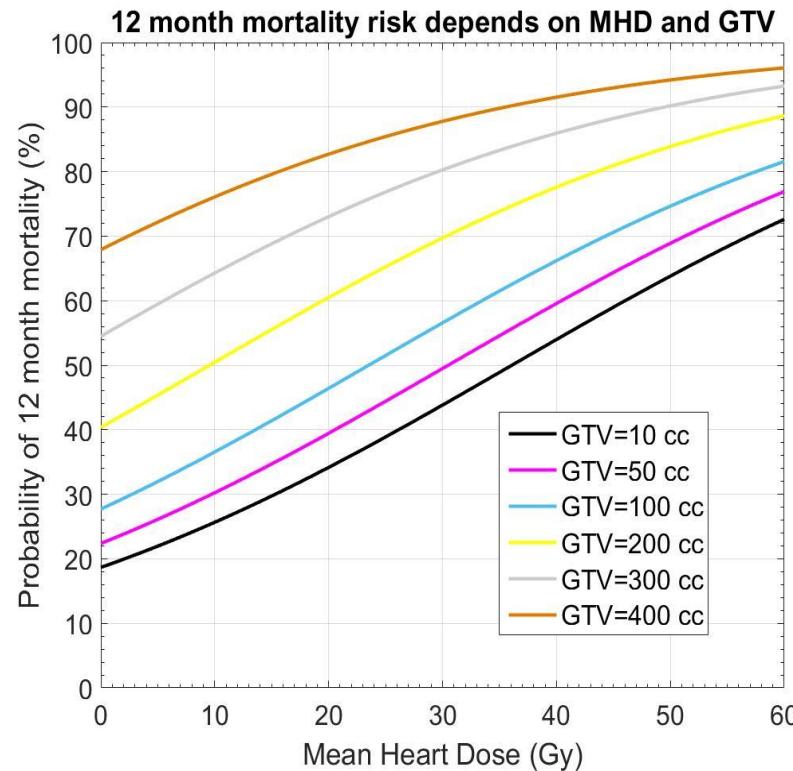
# Improvement of prediction models

## Lung cancer

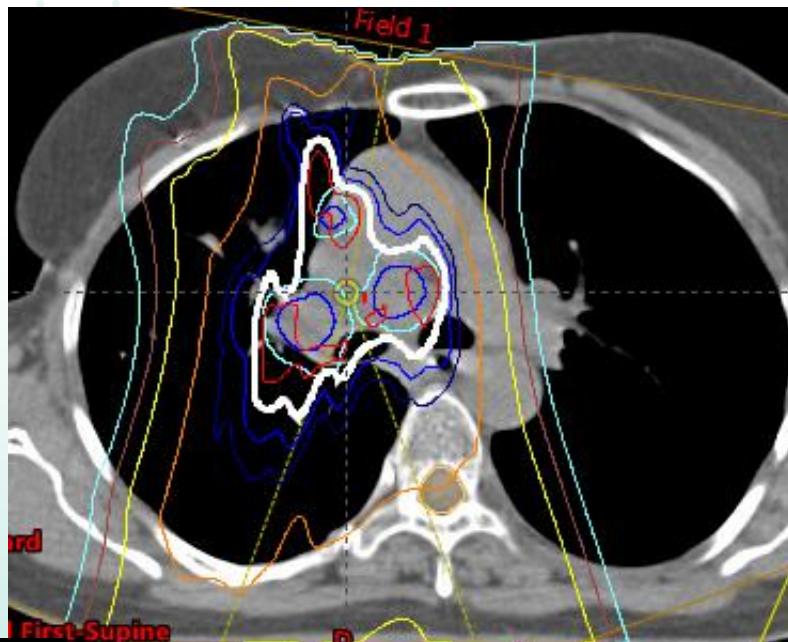


# Improvement of prediction models

## Lung cancer



# Proton Plan Dose Calculation on DECT vs SECT



Isodoses (%)

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80.0
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10.0
5.0

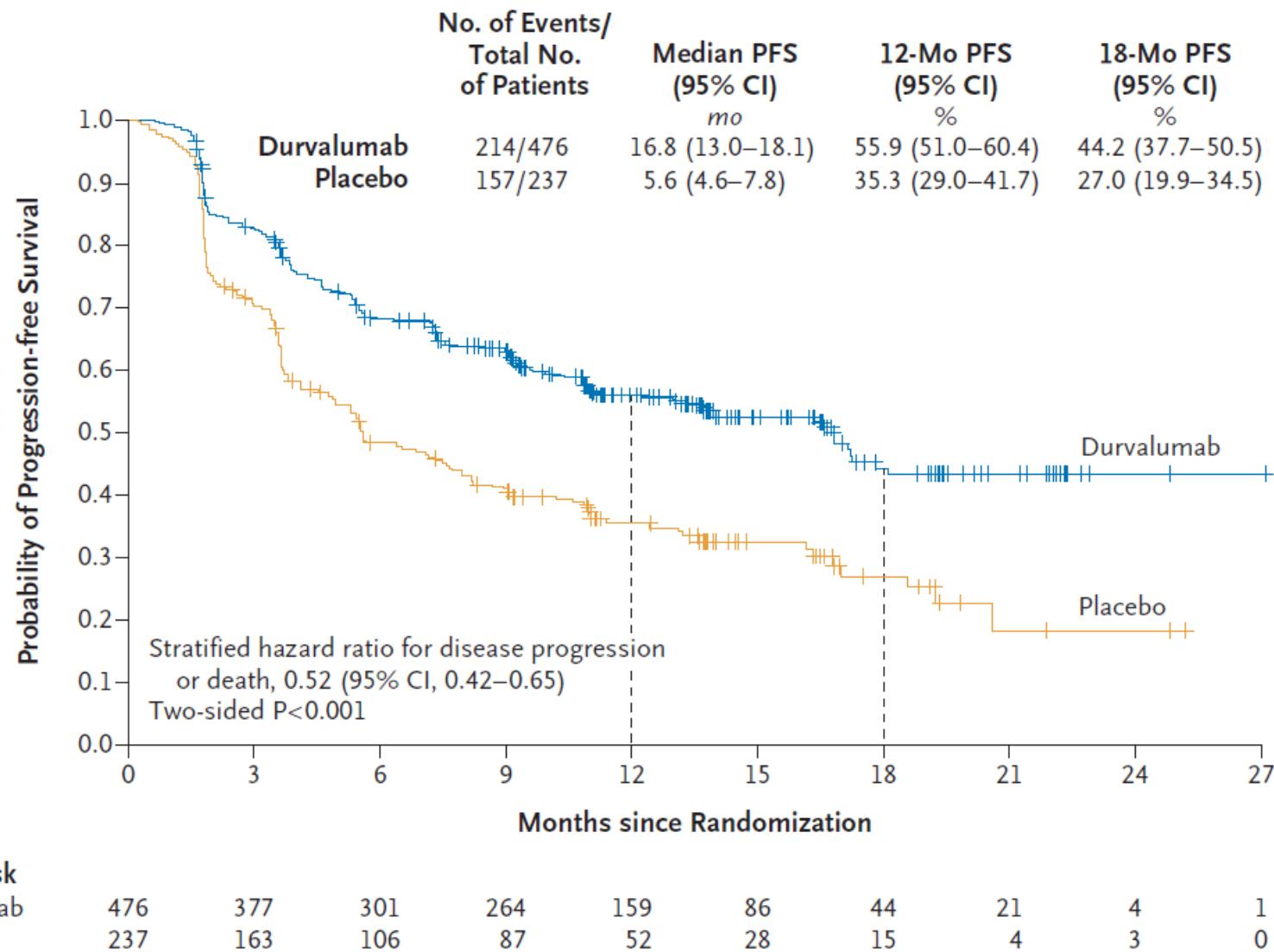
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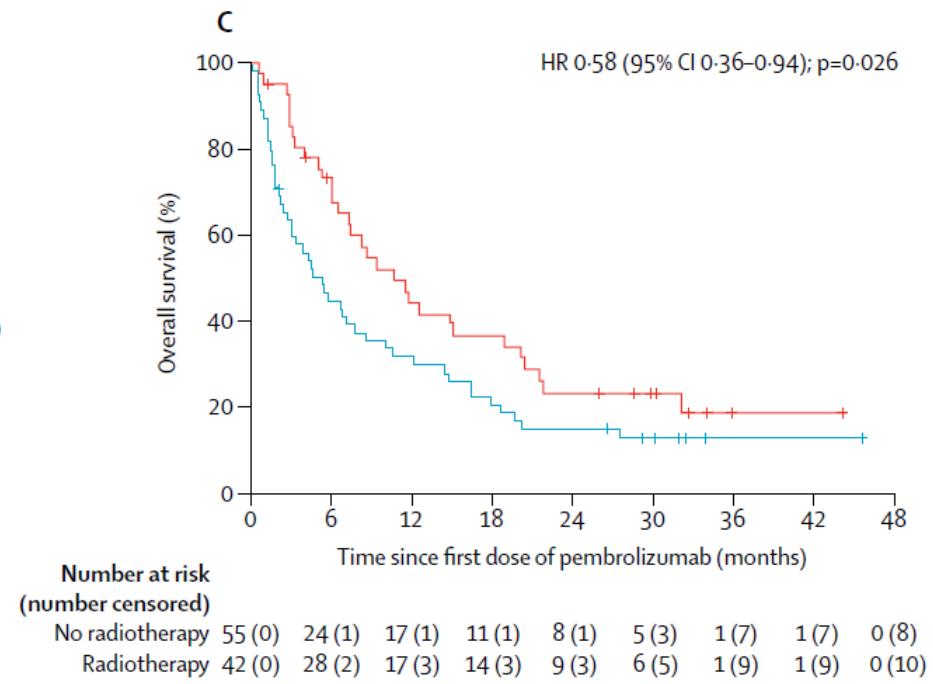
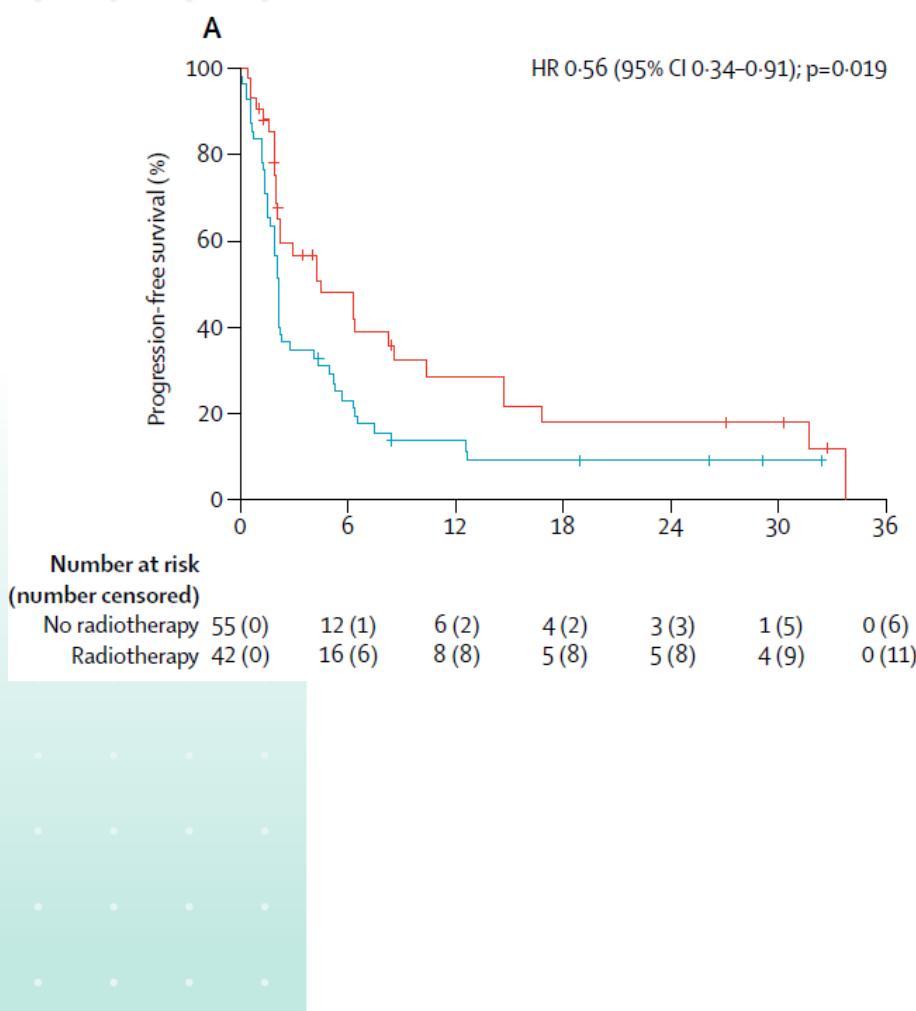
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# PACIFIC

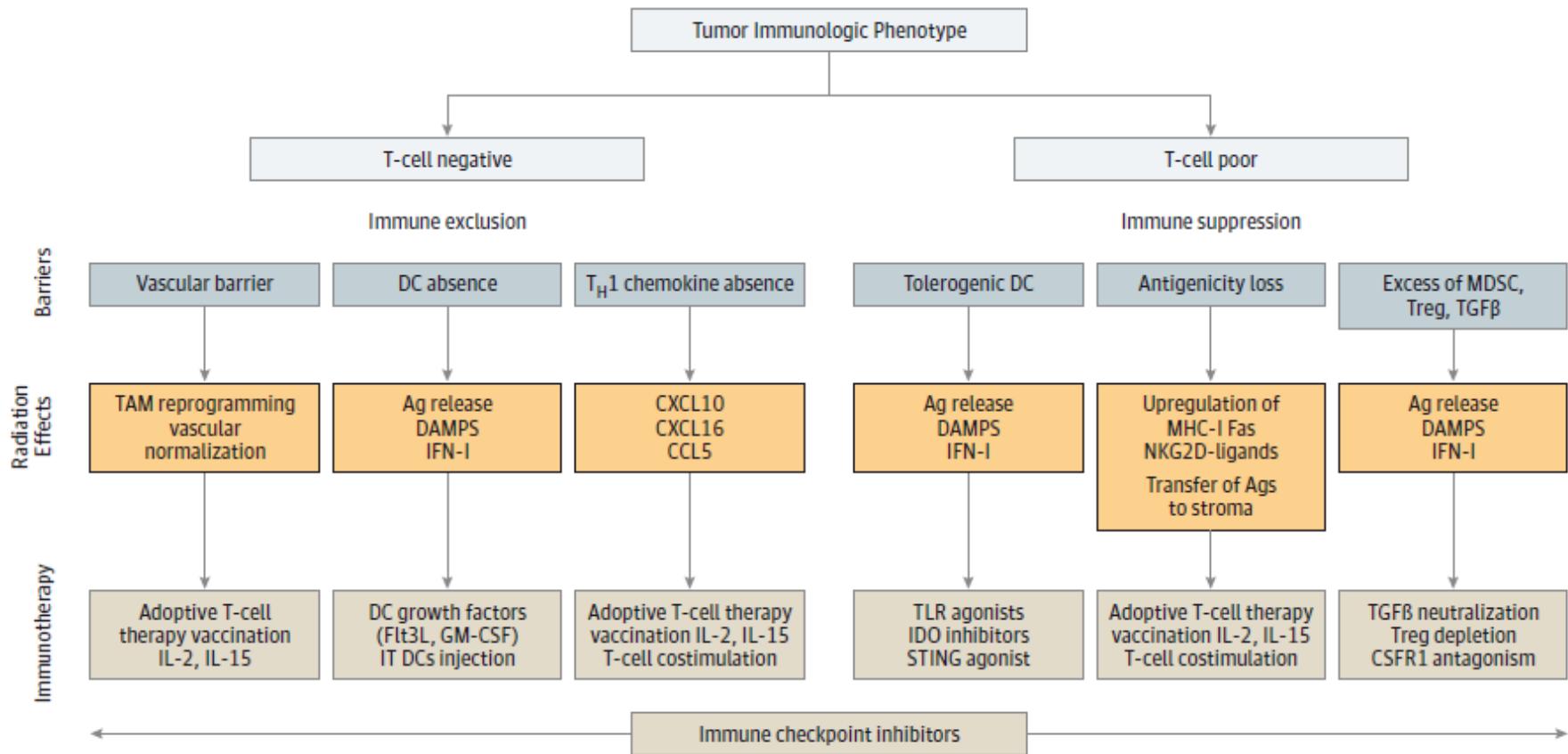


Antonia et al. New Engl J Med 2017

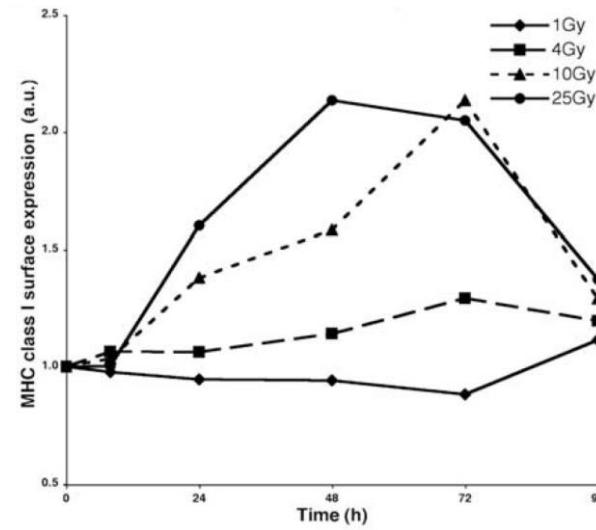
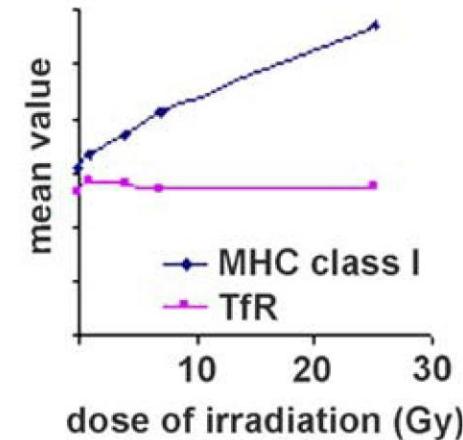
# Subgroup analysis of KEYNOTE-001



# Barriers for successful immune treatment



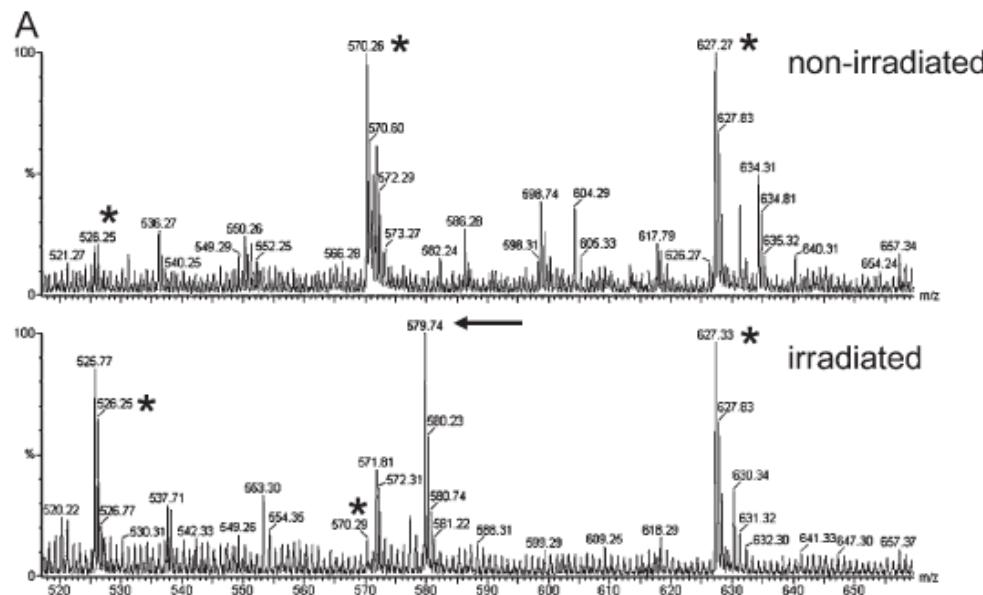
# Upregulation of MHC class I by radiation



# Upregulation of TAAs by radiation

- Caco-2, HCT116, WiDr, HT-29, LS 174T, SW1463, SW403, SW480, SW620, T84, LoVo, and COLO 205
- A549, SK-LU-1, SW900, HLF-a, NCI-H23, NCI-H647, Calu-1, H460, Calu1 and Calu3
- 22Rv1, DU 145, PC-3, PC3, DU145 and LNCaP
- MelJuSo, SK-MEL-37, CaSki and SiHa
- MDA-MB-469, MDA-MB-231 and MCF 7
- Saos, LM5, 143B, HOS, HU09, and M132

# Radiation alters the MHC class I–associated peptide profile

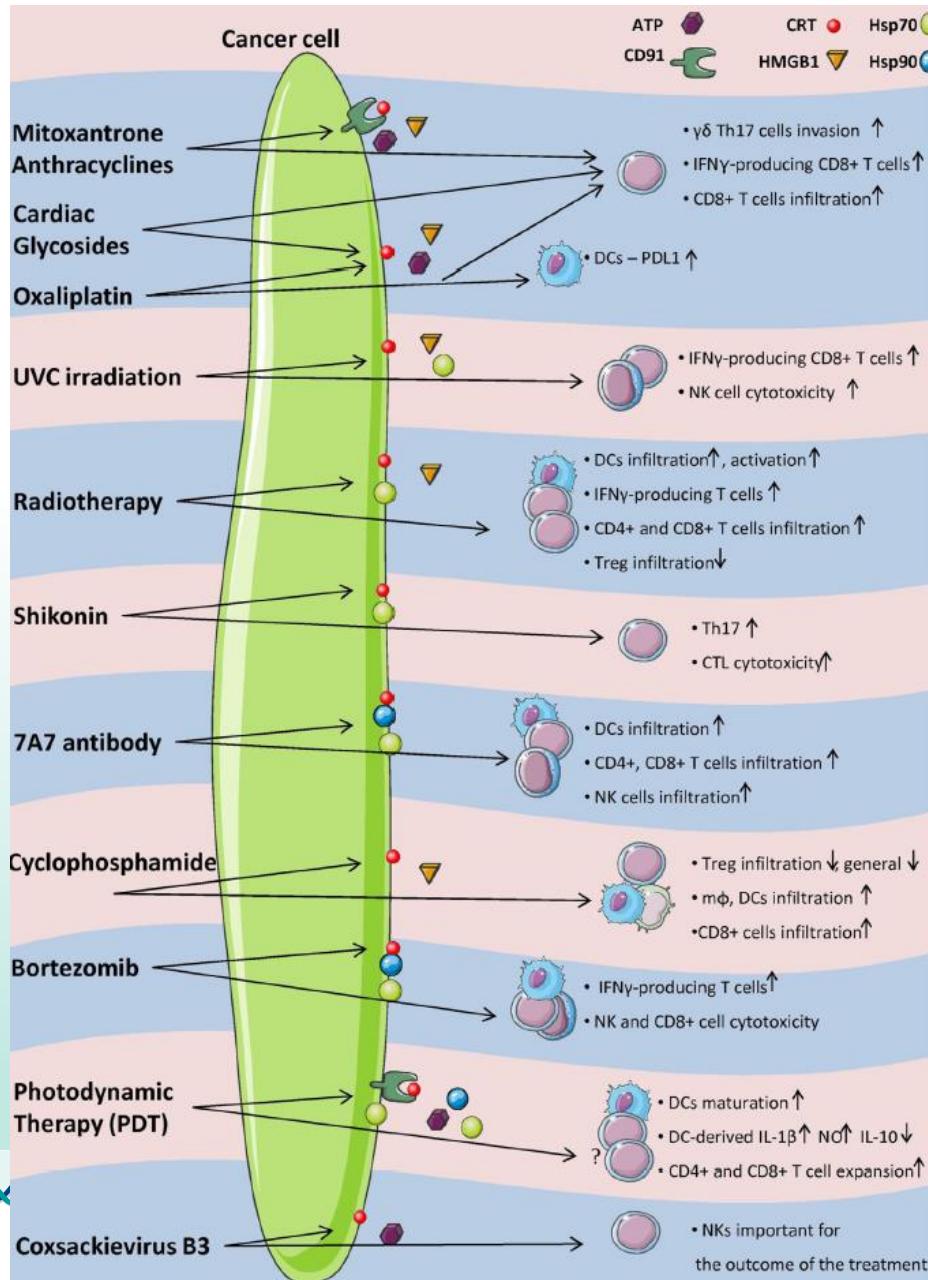


B

Peptides specific for irradiated cells

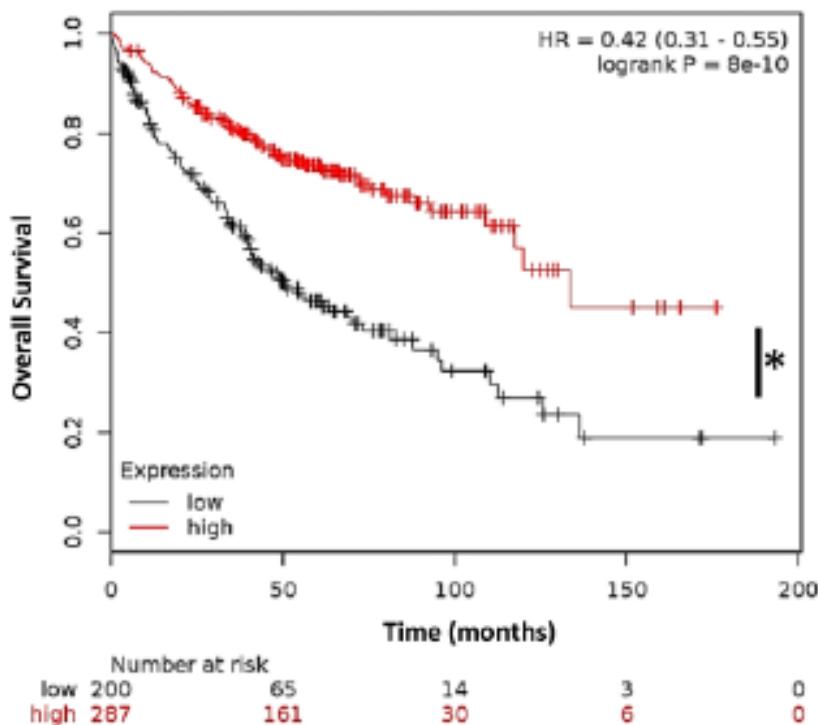
ETDRGMSAEY	Mitochondrial protein CGI-51 <sub>206-215</sub>
YSDSLVLQKGY	DNA repair protein MSH6 <sub>469-478</sub>
VTDVGIRY	F-box protein Fbl7 <sub>355-362</sub>
IADMGHLKY	PCNA <sub>242-249</sub>

# Main mechanisms of ICD-inducers

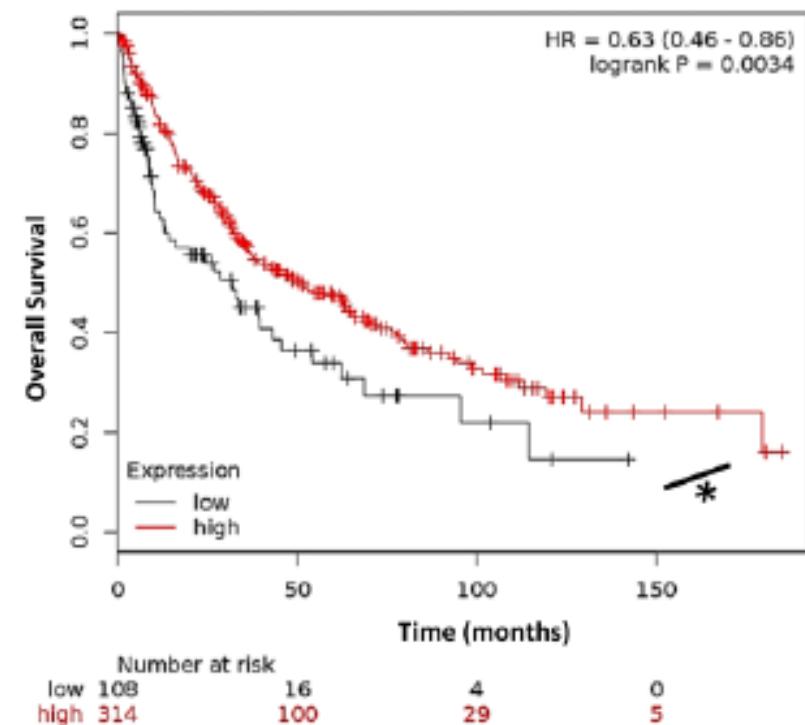


# Prognostic value of ICD-genes

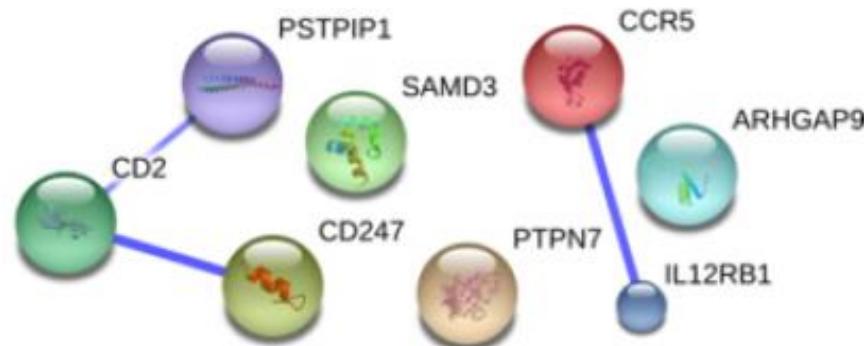
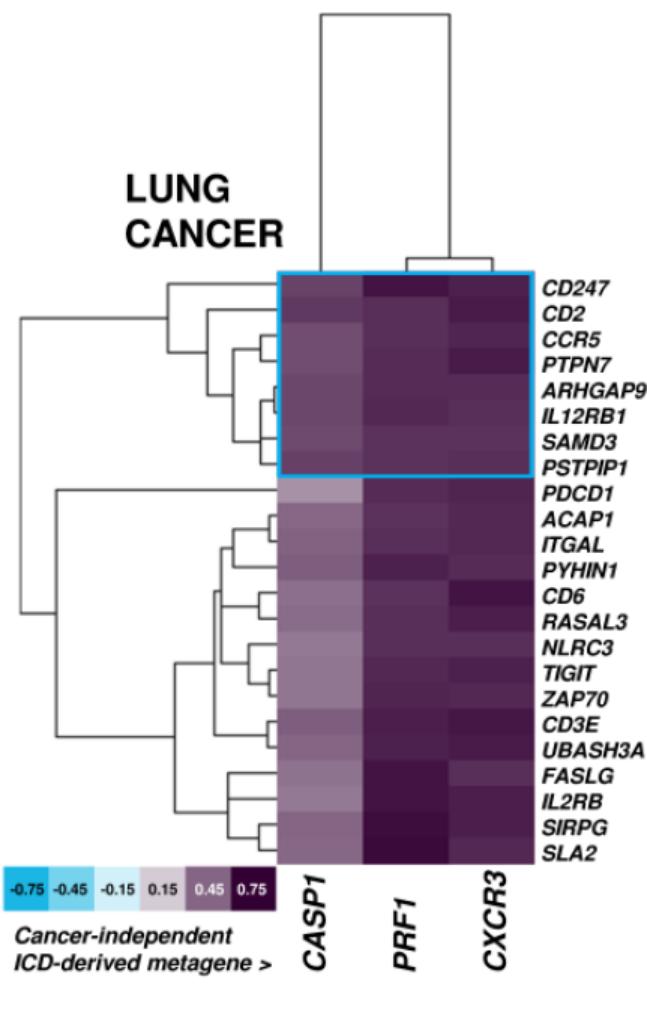
C Prognostic impact of Lung Cancer-specific ICD-derived metagene signature in Lung Adenocarcinoma



D Prognostic impact of Lung Cancer-specific ICD-derived metagene signature in Lung Squamous Cell Carcinoma

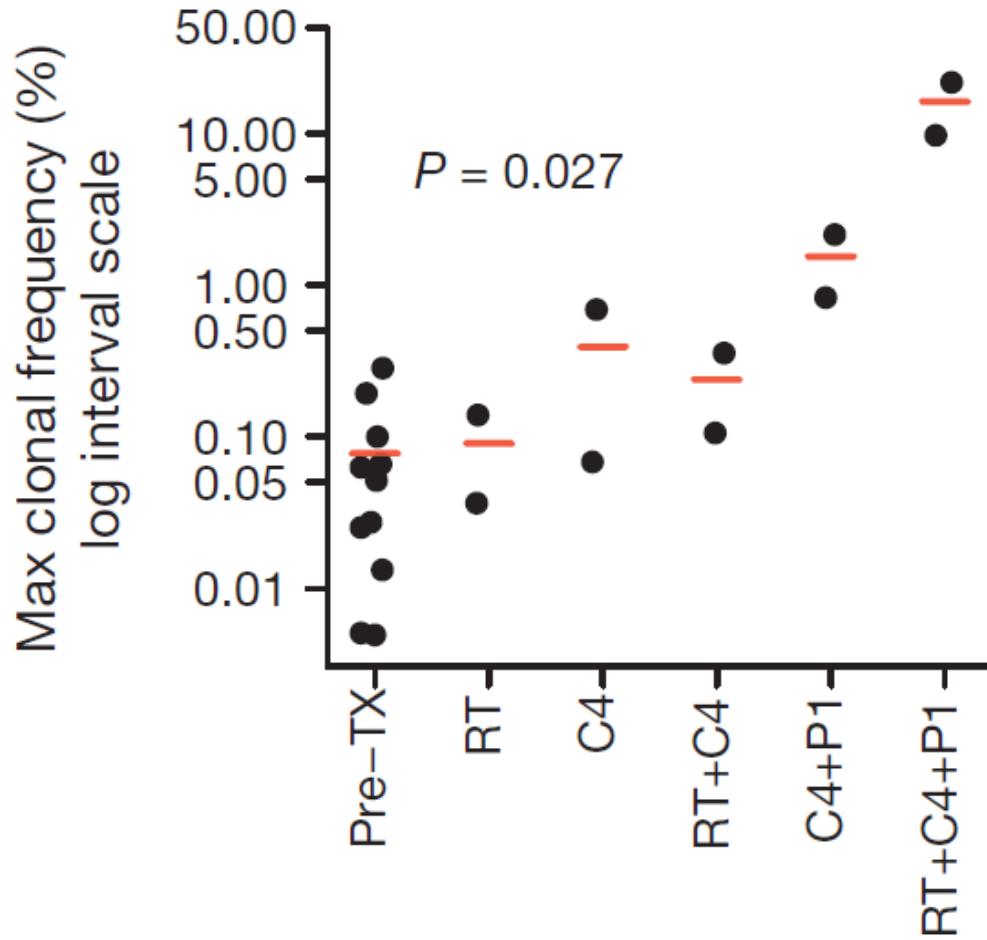


# Prognostic value of ICD-genes: Biological meaning

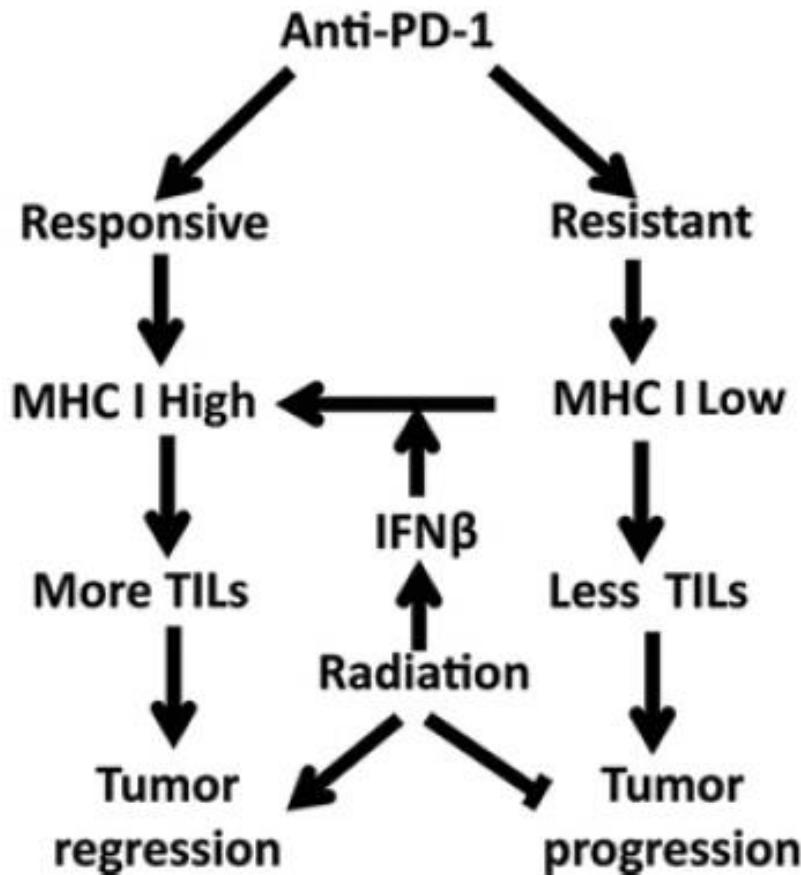


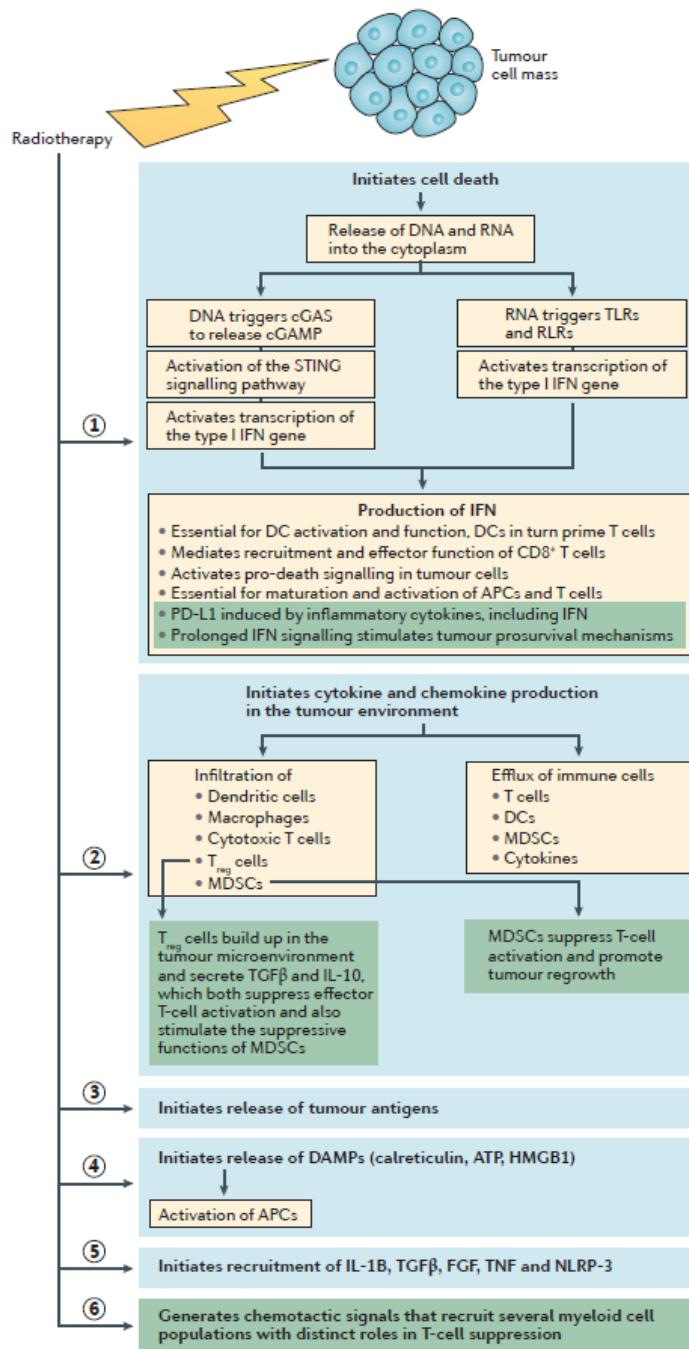
GO Biological Process	P-value
Regulation of T cell activation	0.00008
Regulation of Leukocyte cell-cell adhesion	0.00008
Regulation of homotypic cell-cell adhesion	0.00009

# Maximum clonal frequency in post-treatment blood of the most frequent TCR clonotypes found in TILs.



# Resistance for anti-PD1 can be overcome by radiation





Weichselbaum et al.  
Nature Rev Clin Oncol 2017

# Which toxicity may be increased?

	Durvalumab (N=475)	Placebo (N=234)
<b>Any-grade all-causality AEs, n (%)</b>	460 (96.8)	222 (94.9)
Grade 3/4	142 (29.9)	61 (26.1)
Grade 5	21 (4.4)	13 (5.6)
Leading to discontinuation	73 (15.4)	23 (9.8)
<b>Any-grade treatment-related AEs, n (%)</b>	322 (67.8)	125 (53.4)
<b>Any-grade all-causality AESIs, n (%)</b>	311 (65.5)	114 (48.7)
Grade 3/4	39 (8.2)	9 (3.8)
Grade 5	4 (0.8)	4 (1.7)
Requiring concomitant treatment	200 (42.1)	40 (17.1)
<b>Any-grade immune-mediated AEs, n (%)</b>	115 (24.2)	19 (8.1)
Grade 3/4	16 (3.4)	6 (2.6)
Grade 5	4 (0.8)	3 (1.3)



Antonia et al, New Engl J Med 2017

Paz-Ares et al, LBA1, ESMO 2017

# Which toxicity may be increased?

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	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4	Any Grade	Grade 3 or 4
Any event, n (%)	460 (96.8)	142 (29.9)	222 (94.9)	61 (26.1)
Cough	168 (35.4)	2 (0.4)	59 (25.2)	1 (0.4)
Pneumonitis/radiation pneumonitis*	161 (33.9)	16 (3.4)	58 (24.8)	6 (2.6)
Asthenia	116 (23.9)	1 (0.2)	40 (26.5)	3 (1.3)
Dyspnea	106 (22.3)	7 (1.5)	56 (23.9)	6 (2.6)
Diarrhea	87 (18.3)	3 (0.6)	44 (18.9)	3 (1.3)
Pyrexia	70 (14.7)	1 (0.2)	21 (9.0)	0
Decreased appetite	68 (14.3)	1 (0.2)	30 (12.8)	2 (0.9)
Nausea	66 (13.9)	0	31 (13.2)	0
Pneumonia	62 (13.1)	21 (4.4)	18 (7.7)	9 (3.8)
Arthralgia	59 (12.4)	0	26 (11.1)	0
Pruritus	58 (12.2)	0	11 (4.7)	0
Rash	58 (12.2)	1 (0.2)	17 (7.3)	0
Upper respiratory tract infection	58 (12.2)	1 (0.2)	23 (9.8)	0
Constipation	56 (11.8)	1 (0.2)	20 (8.5)	0
Hypothyroidism	55 (11.6)	1 (0.2)	4 (1.7)	0
Asthenia	51 (10.7)	3 (0.6)	31 (13.2)	1 (0.4)
Back pain	50 (10.5)	1 (0.2)	27 (11.5)	1 (0.4)

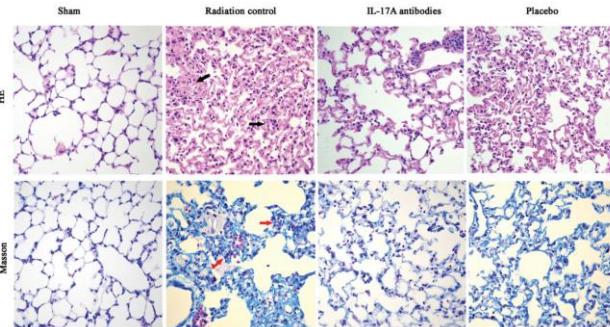


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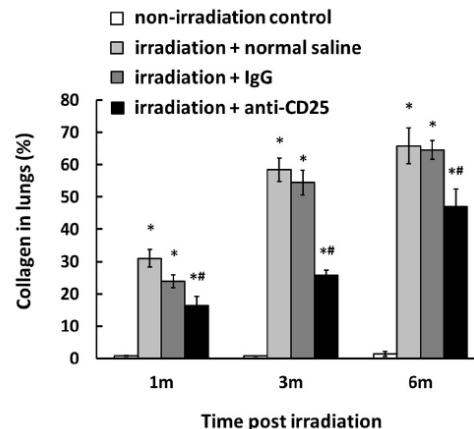
## Examples of experimental mitigators of radiation-induced lung damage

### IL-17 antibodies



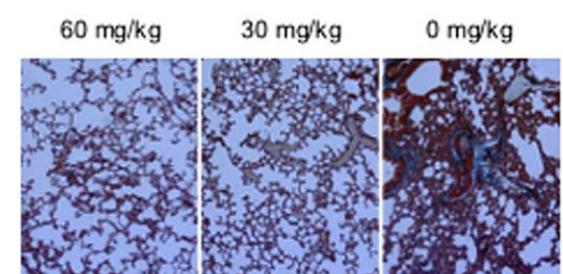
Wang et al. *Exp Lung Res* 2014

### Anti-CD25 (Treg depletion)



Xiong et al. *Immunobiology* 2015

### nintedanib



De Ruysscher et al.  
*Radiother Oncol* 2017

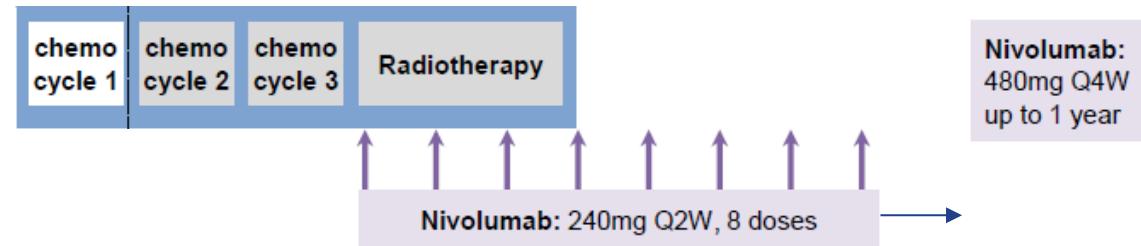
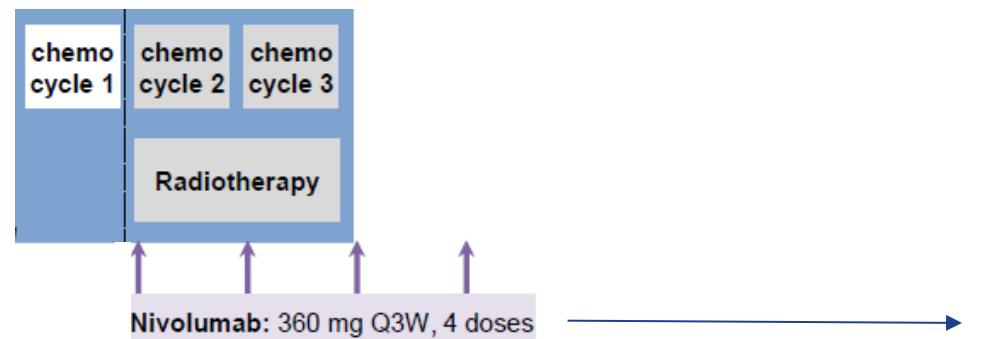
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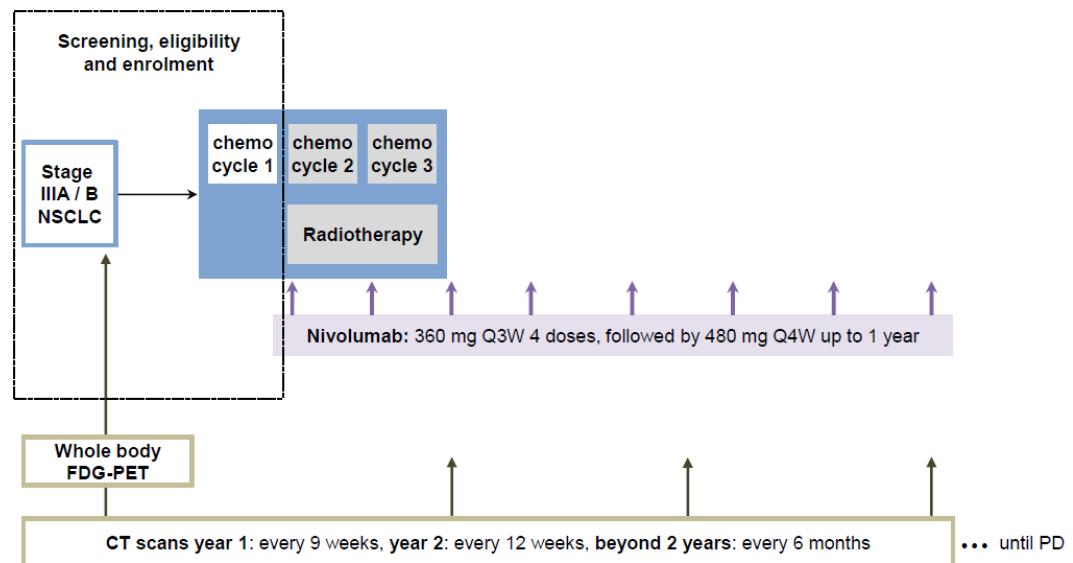
**PI:**  
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**Primary endpoint**  
Grade >3 pneumonitis any time  
during 6 m from end of RT

**Key secondary  
endpoint:**  
1-year PFS



## Amended protocol





RESEARCH

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# NHS-IL2 combined with radiotherapy: preclinical rationale and phase Ib trial results in metastatic non-small cell lung cancer following first-line chemotherapy

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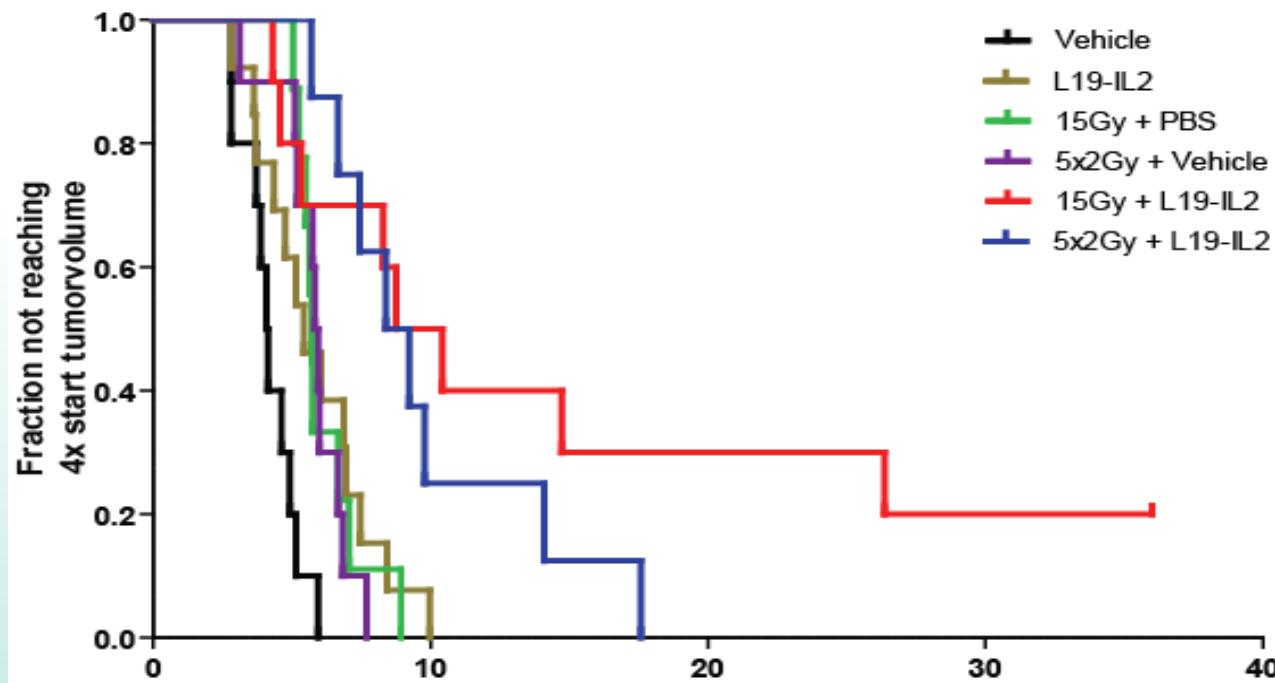
Radiotherapy primary tumour 5x4 Gy, followed by selectikine

## Clinical outcome

No objective responses were observed during the trial, based on RECIST v1.0 criteria for tumor response, PFS, and OS. Median PFS was 2.9 months (95% confidence interval [CI] 1.5; 3.1) and median OS was 8.6 months (95% CI 4.9; not evaluable). As of the day of reporting there are 2 long-term survivors (both in good performance status 4 years after start of first-line chemotherapy). One patient discontinued treatment with NHS-IL2 in November 2013 and there were still no signs of disease activity in August 2014. Of note, both long-term survivors developed thyroiditis during treatment.

2/13 (15 %) patients no progression after 4 years!

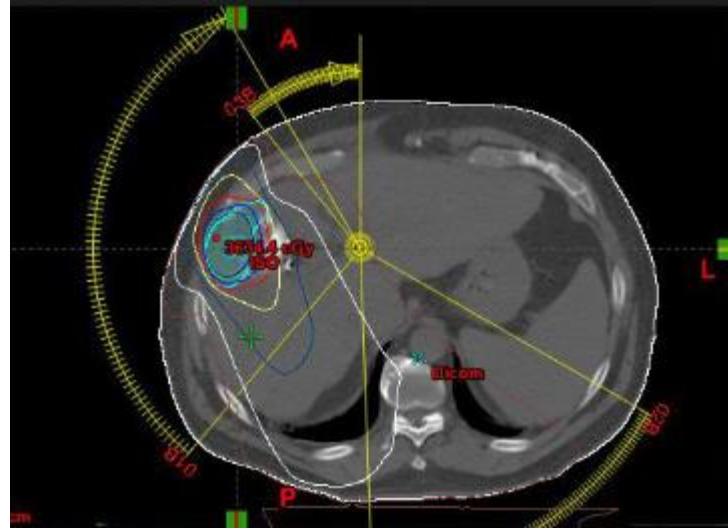
# Abscopal effect of L19-IL2 and radiation



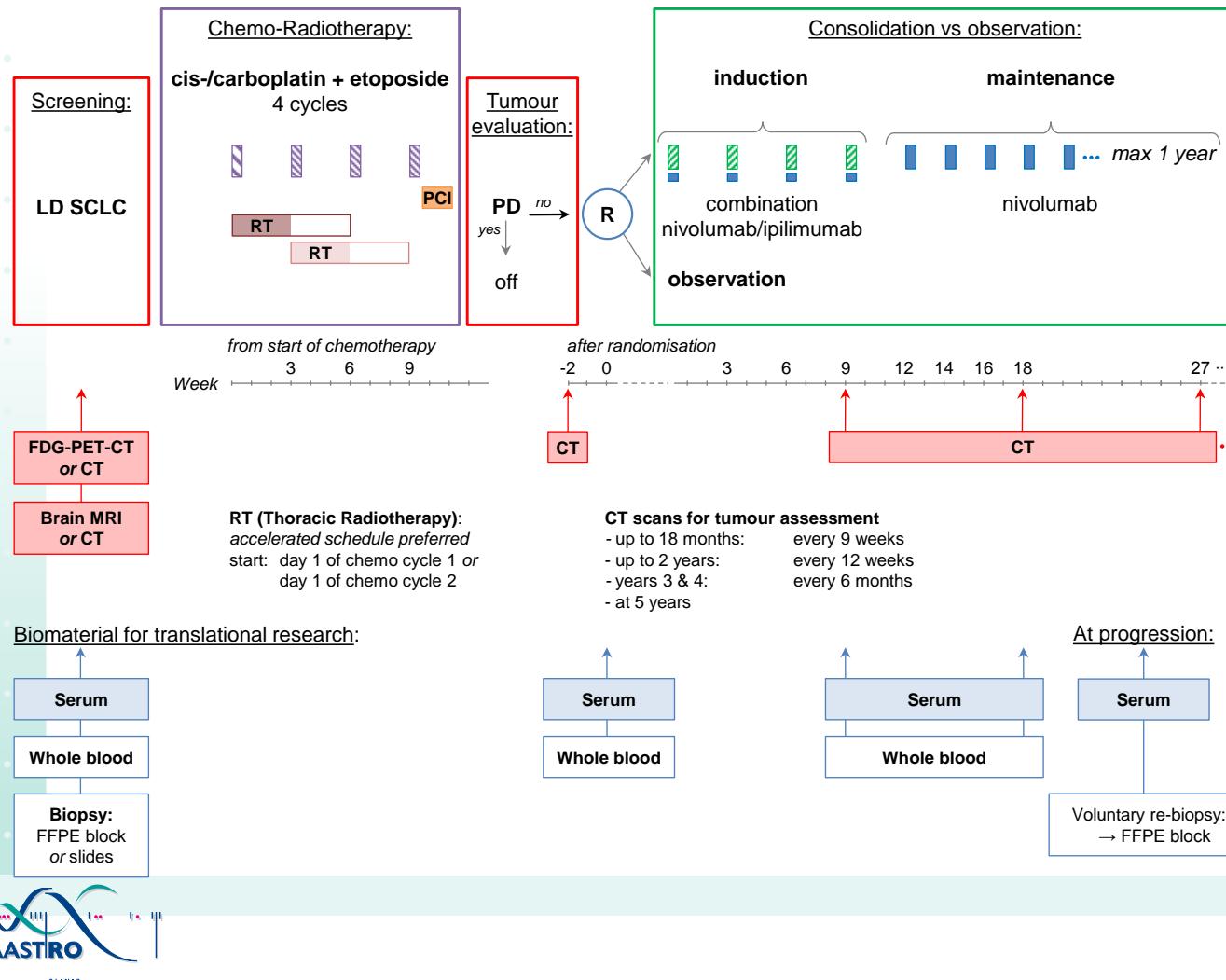
# Phase I trial SBRT + L19-IL2

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- Synchronous or metachronous **oligometastatic** solid tumor (NSCLC, RCC, HNSCC, CRC, melanoma)
- Or poly-metastatic NSCLC
- SBRT to all (up to 5) oligometastatic sites → L19-IL2 (6 cycles: day 1,3,5; Q 21 days)



# Phase II trial stage I-III small cell lung cancer "ETOP- STIMULI"



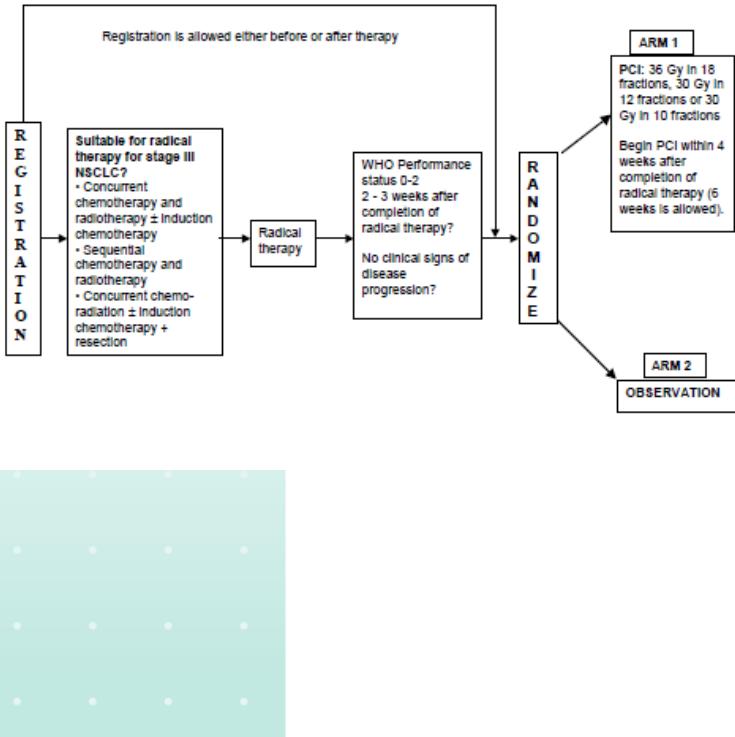
# Randomized phase III NVALT-11/ DLCRG02 study of prophylactic cranial irradiation vs. observation in stage III NSCLC

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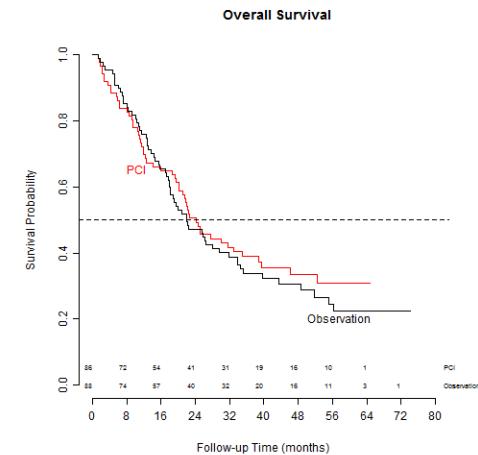
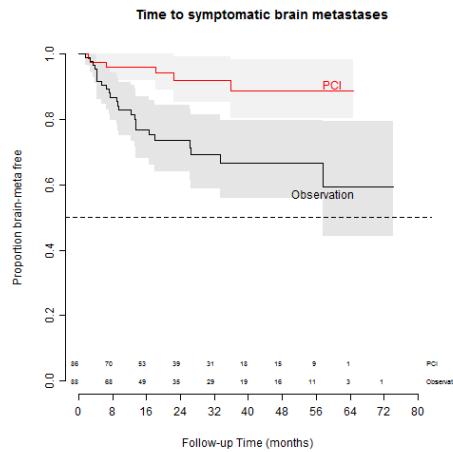
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9 Isala hospital, Zwolle; 10 Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam; All in The Netherlands



# Primary endpoint: Incidence of symptomatic brain metastases



	PCI (n=86)	Observation (n=88)	p
BM + neuro symptoms	6 (7.0 %)	24 (27.2 %)	< 0.001



# All neurological adverse events: Physician rated

	All grades		Grade 3, 4, 5	
	PCI	Observation	PCI	Obs
Memory impairment	86	88	86	88
Cognitive disturbance	26	7	0	0
	18	3	2	0

After Holms-Bonferoni correction: significant differences between arms considering all grades: **Memory impairment and cognitive disturbance.**

**Grade 3-5: number of AE too small to see significant differences.**

# Patient reported adverse events

	All grades		Grade 3, 4	
	PCI	Observation	PCI	Obs
	86	88	86	88
Dizziness	50	36	1	0
Headache	55	36	4	2
Fatigue	69	70	3	5
Memory impairment	50	47	2	1
Vomiting	16	6	0	0

After Holms-Bonferoni correction: significant differences between arms considering all grades: **headache**

**Grade 3-5: number of AE too small to see significant differences.**

# Conclusions

- PCI reduces *symptomatic* brain metastases (7 % vs. 27 %), but at the expense of increased side effects
- When rated by physicians, G1-2 cognitive disturbance (3.4 % vs. 20.9 %) and G1-2 memory impairment (7.9 % vs. 30.2 %) are significantly increased
- Rated by patients, only headache G1-2 (40.9 % vs. 63.2 %) is significantly increased

→ Detailed analysis of QoL is ongoing  
→ Strategies to reduce the toxicity of PCI (an efficient treatment) is needed (hippocampus sparing?)

