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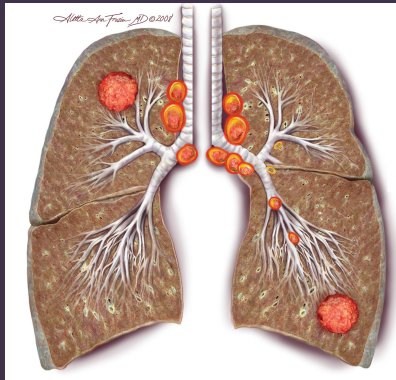
# *TRATTAMENTI INTEGRATI NELLO STADIO III NSCLC*

## *Le terapie neoadiuvanti ed adiuvanti*

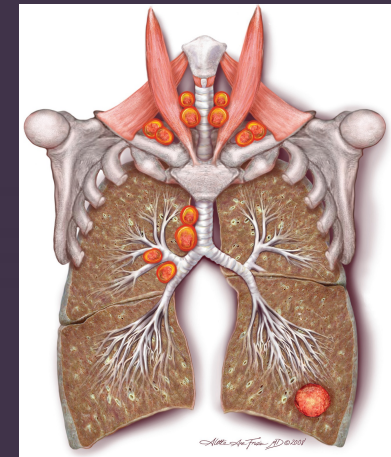
*Sara Ramella*

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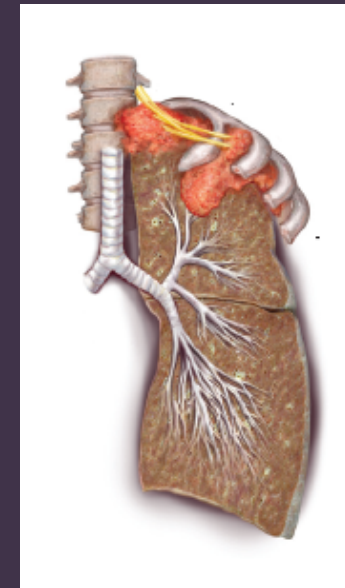
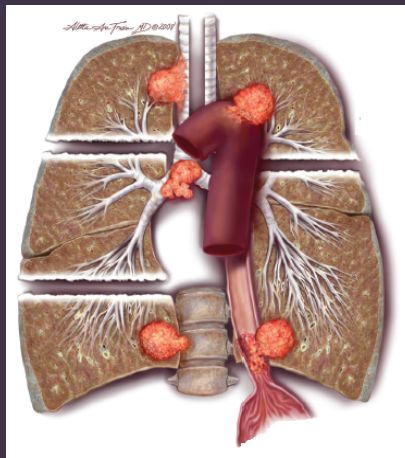
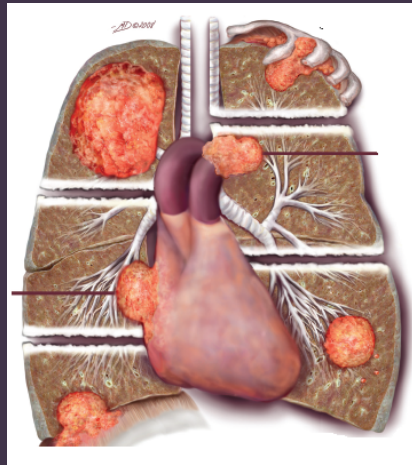




“Stage III represents a very heterogeneous group with 12 TNM classification subsets.



*IT IS NOT SURPRISING* that a single therapeutic concept cannot satisfy the needs of all subsets”





# CHEST Treatment of Stage III Non-small Cell

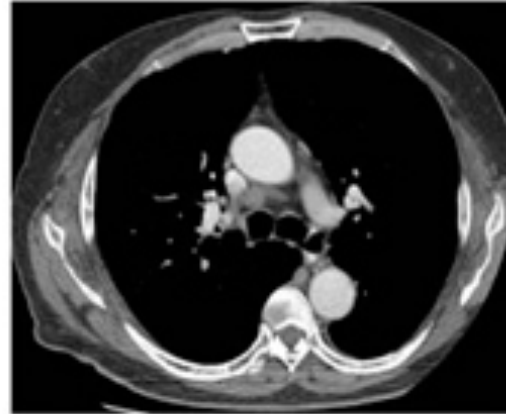


**A**



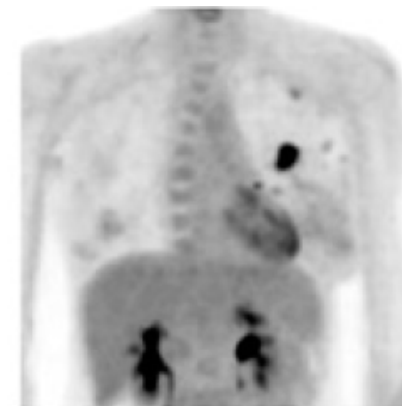
Mediastinal Infiltration

**B**



Discrete node enlargement

**C**



Clinically occult N2



*TRATTAMENTO NEOADIUVANTE*

*TRATTAMENTO ADIUVANTE*

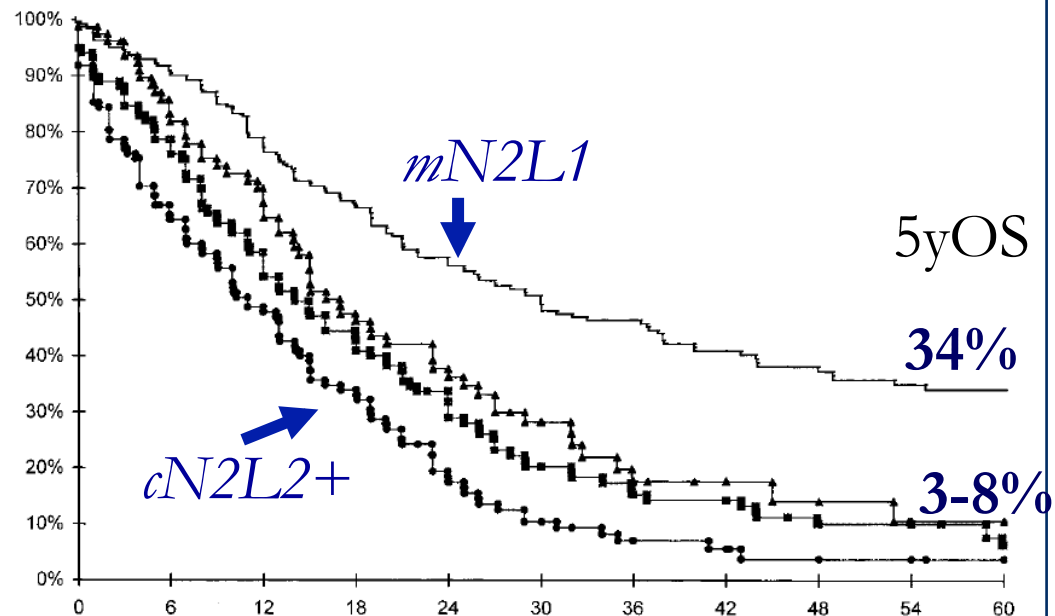
*CHEST 2013; 143(5)(Suppl):e314S–e340S*



## Survival of Patients With Resected N2 Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer: Evidence for a Subclassification and Implications

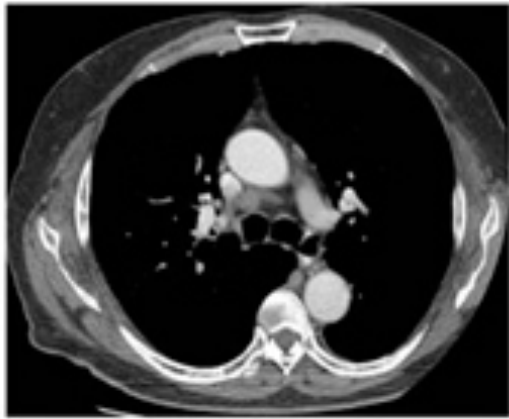
702 consecutive patients from six French centers who underwent surgical resection of N2 NSCLC

Variable	Overall Survival	
	Relative Risk	P
Preoperative N2 status		
mN2	1.8	< .0001
cN2		
No. of levels involved		
L1	1.6	< .0001
L2+		



Andre F, J Clin Oncol 2000; 18:2981-2989





Discrete node enlargement

*Clinical N2 (cN2)*

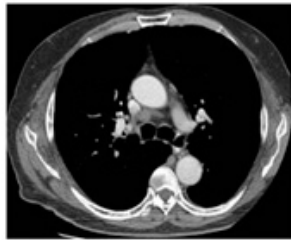


Clinically occult N2

*Pathological N2 (pN2)*



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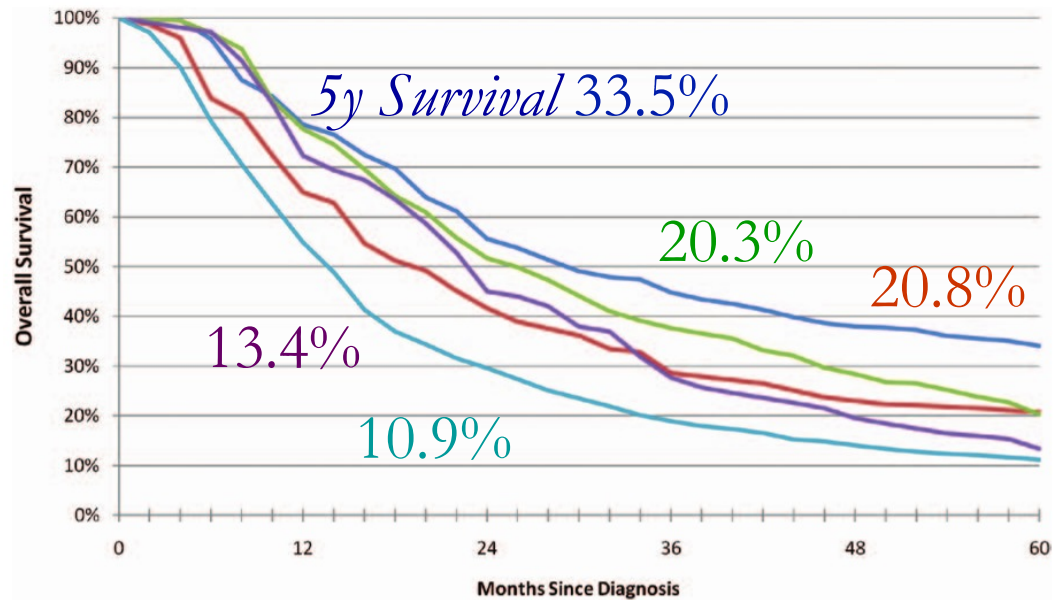
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## Clinical N2 (cN2)

### Improved Survival Associated with Neoadjuvant Chemoradiation in Patients with Clinical Stage IIIA(N2) Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer

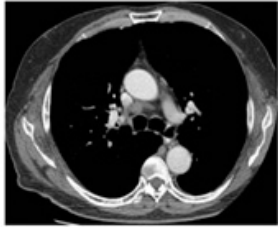
Observational data from the  
National Cancer Database  
11,242 patients '98-'04

- 1. NeoCRT → L
- 2. NeoCRT → P
- 3. L → adj
- 4. P → adj
- 5. CRT



“NeoCRT>L had 49% reduced likelihood of death after adjustment for clinical, sociodem. features” *Koshy M, J Thorac Oncol. 2013;8: 915-922*

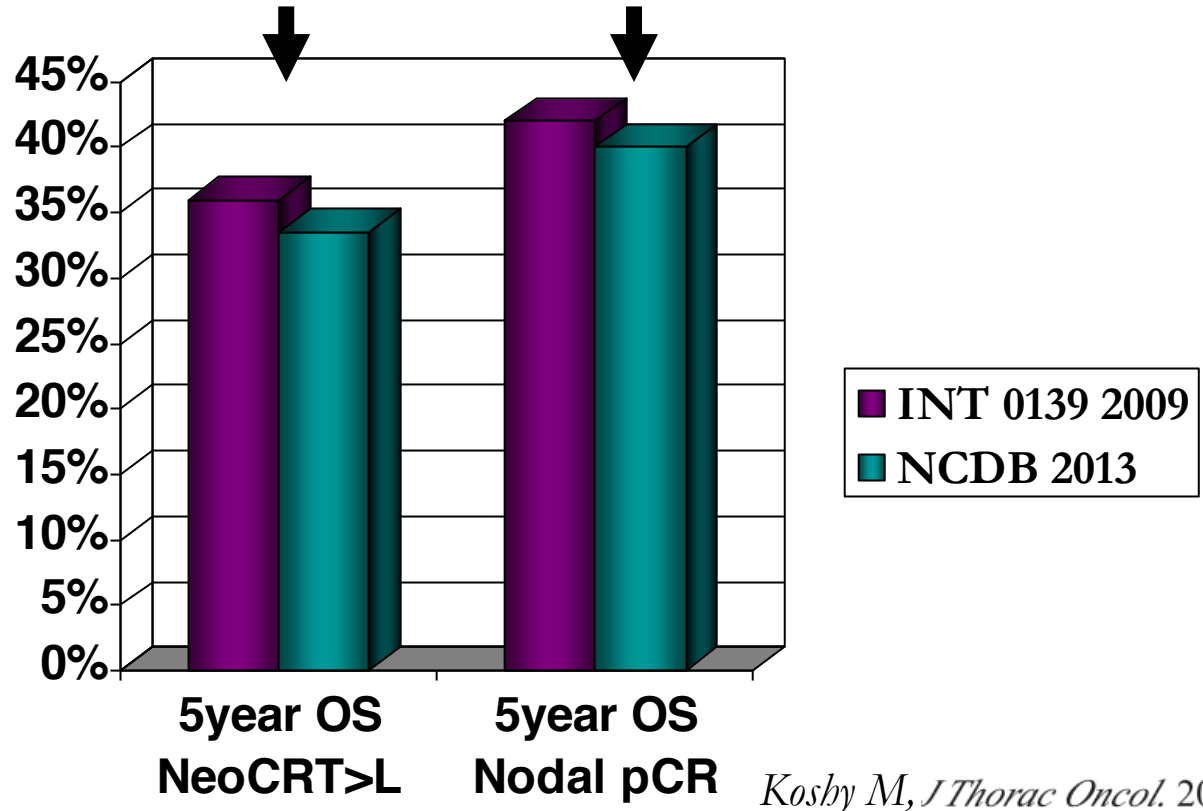


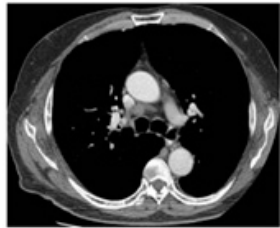


Discrete node enlargement

# CLINICAL N2 (cN2)

36 vs 33.5%      42 vs 40%





Discrete node enlargement

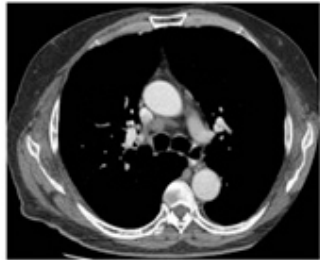
## *Clinical N2 (cN2) Neoadjuvant therapy*

### 3 RANDOMIZED TRIALS:

- ✓ INT 0139 (*Albain Lancet 2009*)
- ✓ GERMAN study (*Thomas Lancet Oncology 2008*)
- ✓ EORTC (*Van Meerbeeck J Natl Cancer Inst 2007*)







Discrete node enlargement

## Clinical N2 (cN2) Neoadjuvant Therapy

	<i>INT 0139</i>	<i>GERMAN study</i>	<i>EORTC</i>
	<i>CRT&gt;S versus CRT</i>	<i>CT&gt;CRT&gt;S versus CT&gt;S</i>	<i>CT&gt;S versus CT&gt;RT</i>
<i>Overall Survival</i> <i>5year Survival</i>			
<i>Overall Survival</i> <i>pN0</i>			
<i>Pathological</i> <i>Downstaging</i> <i>pN0</i>			

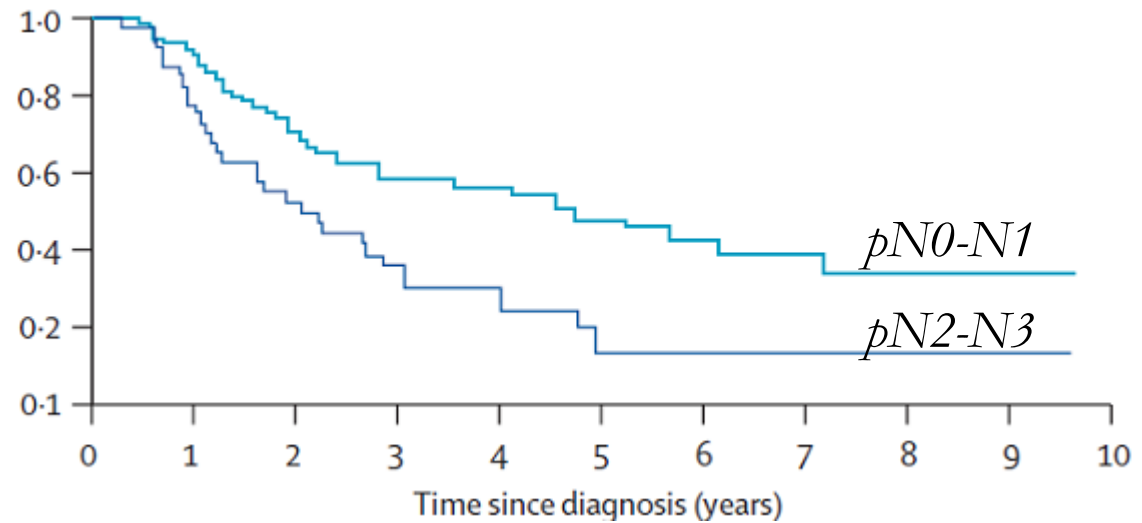
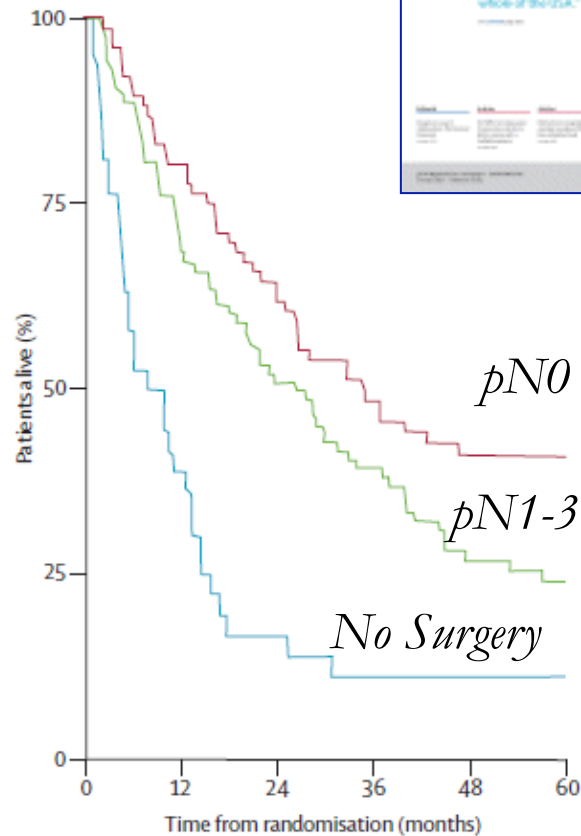
*INT 0139*

*Albain 2009*



*GERMAN trial*

*Thomas 2008*



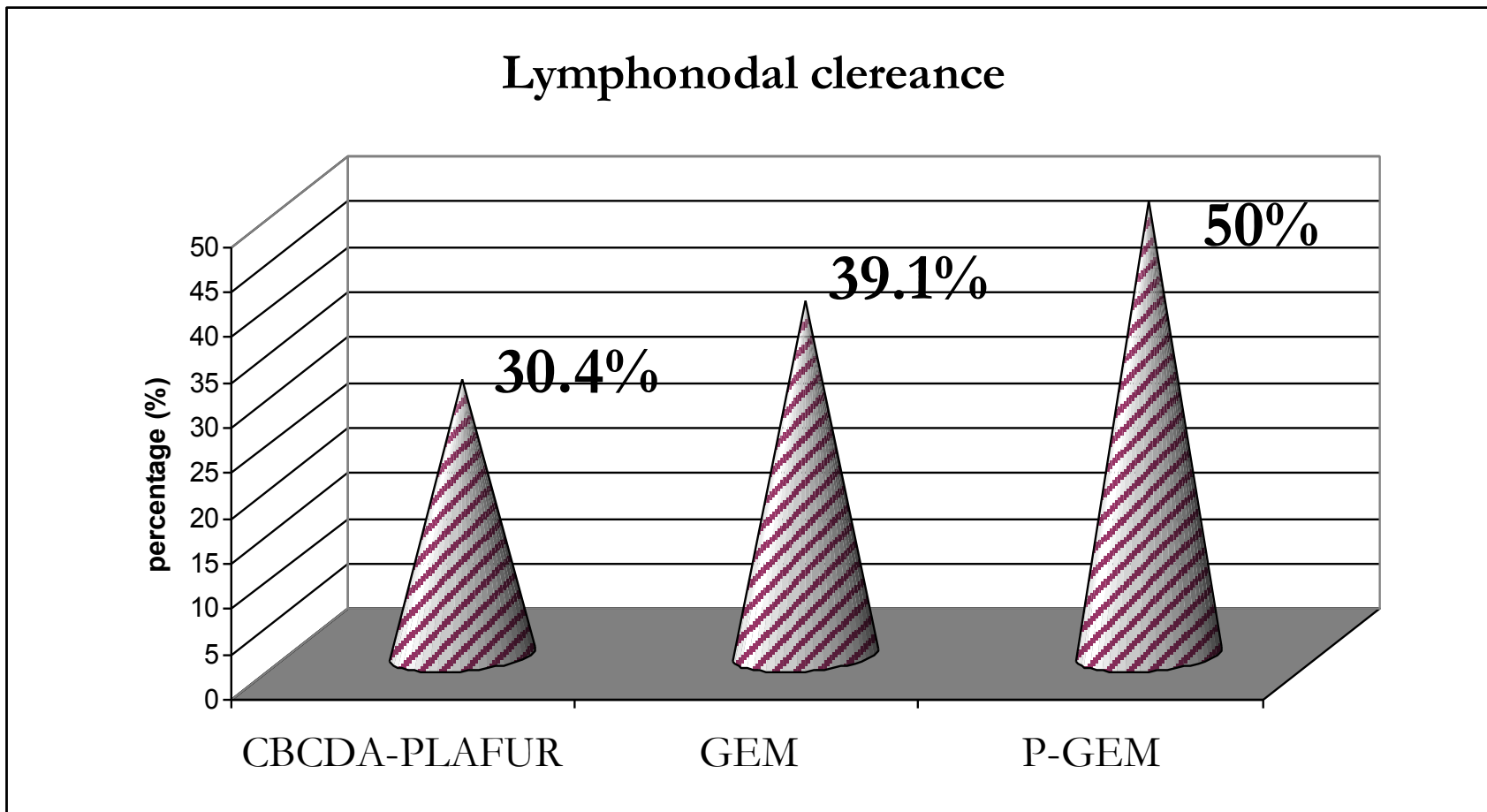
COME AUMENTARE LE RISPOSTE  
PATOLOGICHE ??????

L'INTENSIFICAZIONE DEL  
TRATTAMENTO

- ✓ Integrazione con i farmaci (*histology-driven*)
- ✓ Dose Totale
- ✓ Iperfrazionamento Accelerato



## LA RADIOTERAPIA ED I FARMACI DI TERZA GENERAZIONE

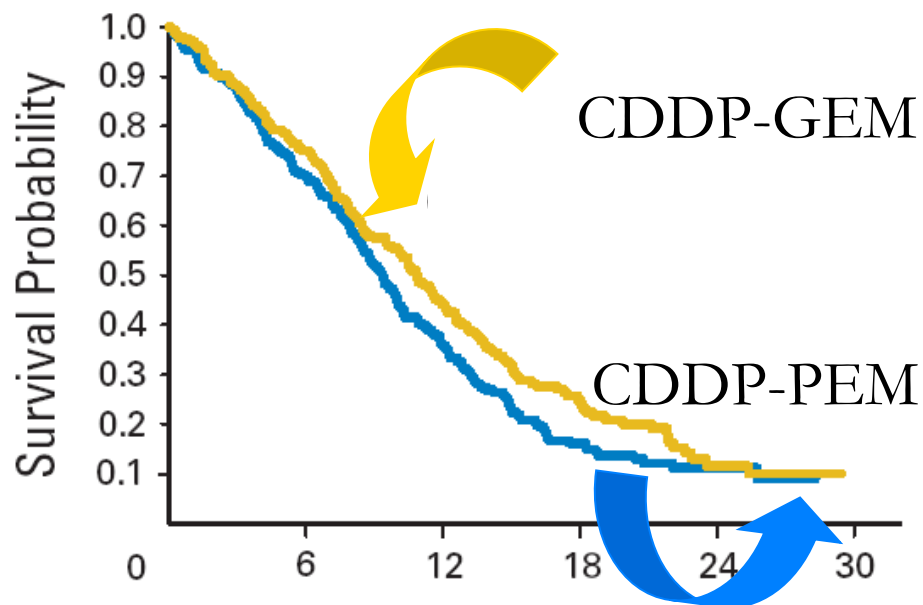


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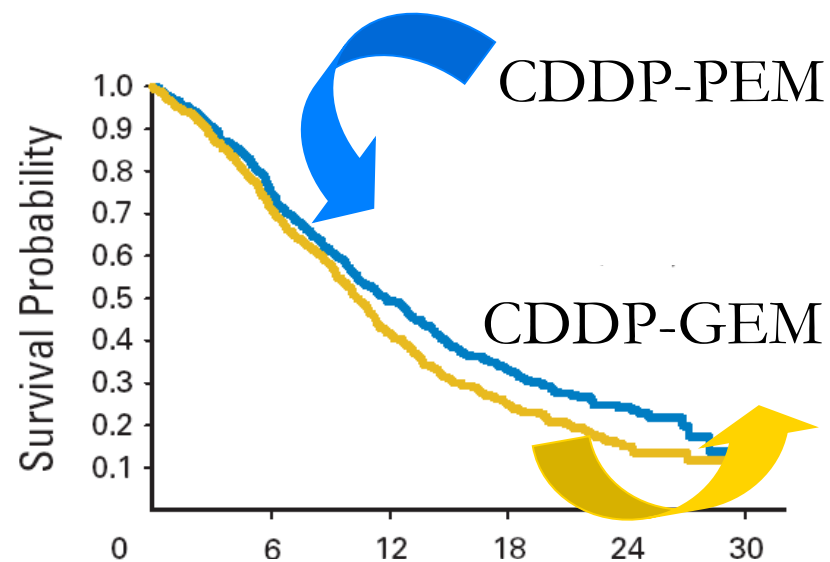


## L'IMPATTO DELL'ISTOLOGIA NELLA CHEMIOTERAPIA

*Squamous histology*



*Adenoca histology*



SCAGLIOTTI G, J Clin Oncol. 2008

# L'IMPATTO DELL'ISTOLOGIA NELLA RADIOCHEMIOTERAPIA

## STUDI DI NEOADIUVANTE

Trials	Pts	Treatment	Stage	Resected pts	Median svv (months)	G3-4 Toxicity
A	92	CBDCART FUPLART	IIIA-IIIB	61%	17.2	Hem 5.5% No-hem 2.2%
B	46	RT + Weekly GEM	IIIA	63%	13	Hem 0% No-hem 0%
C	50	RT-CDDP + GEM	IIIA-IIIB	72%	21.8	Hem 30% No-hem 8%
D	46	IND CT followed by RT-GEM	IIIB	/	17.8	Hem 41% No-hem 13%
E	60	RT + ERLOTINIB + GEM or PEM	IIB-IV	/	14.4	Hem 33% ↑

A Annals of Oncology 15: 389–398, 2004

D J Thorac Oncol. 4, 2009

B J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 31:314-21, 2006

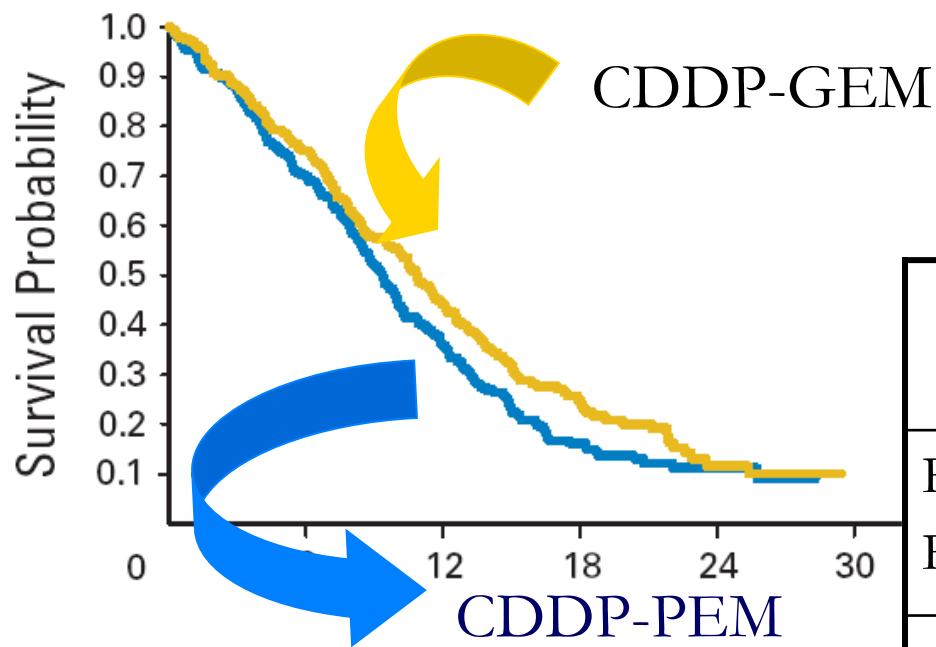
E Biomed Res International 2013

C Lung Cancer 54, 331-338, 2006



L'IMPATTO DELL'ISTOLOGIA NELLA RADIOCHEMIOTERAPIA

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SCC  
GROUP

	<i>GEM</i>	<i>NO-GEM</i>
RESECTION RATE	74%	54%
		<i>p=0.034</i>
pSTAGE 0	66%	26%
		<i>p=0.001</i>

SCAGLIOTTI G, J Clin Oncol. 2008

Ramella S, ESTRO 2011



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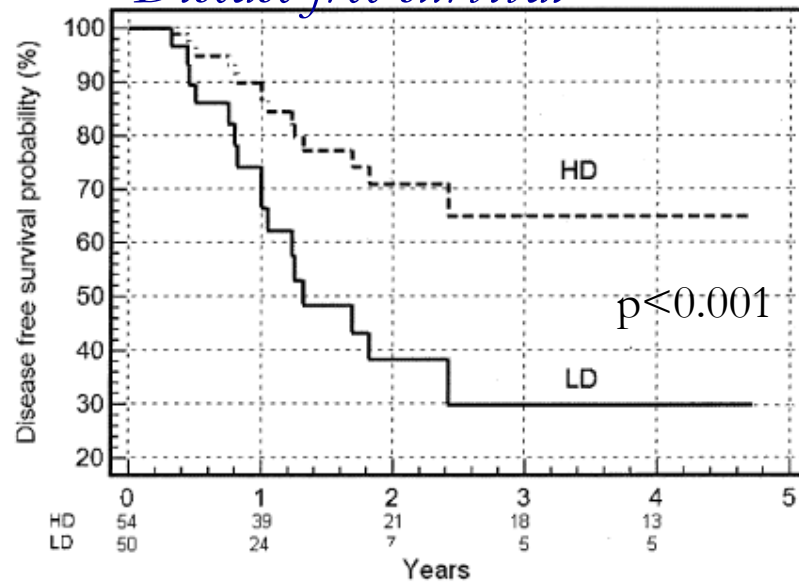


# Pulmonary Resection After High-Dose and Low-Dose Chest Irradiation

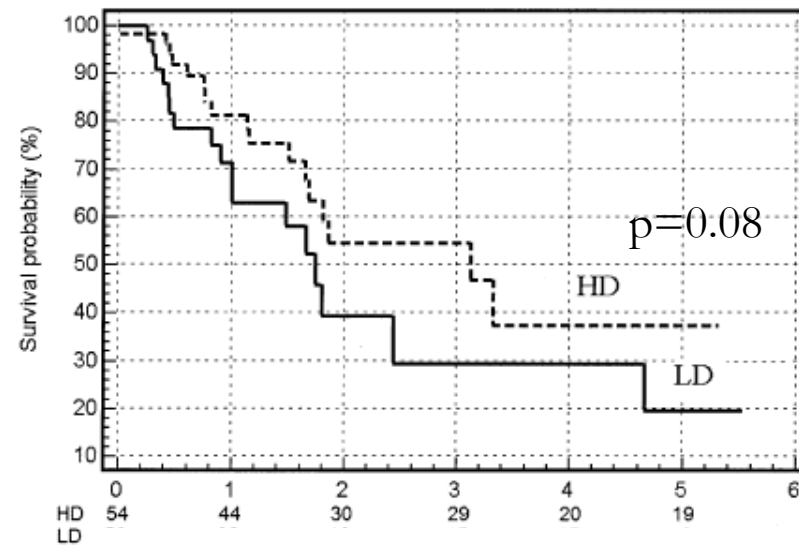
pCR group 45Gy vs 60Gy: 10% vs 28%,  $p=0.04$

Major morbidity and mortality rates were similar: 8% vs 9% and 2% vs 3.7% for the low and high dose groups, respectively.

*Disease free survival*



*Overall Survival*



*Cerfolio, Ann Thorac Surg 2005;80:1224 –30*



# Radiation Therapy Oncology Group Protocol 02-29: A Phase II Trial of Neoadjuvant Therapy With Concurrent Chemotherapy and Full-Dose Radiation Therapy Followed by Surgical Resection and Consolidative Therapy for Locally Advanced Non-small Cell Carcinoma of the Lung

57 patients

TREATMENT: 61.2Gy (1.8Gy/die)  
Carbo AUC2 + Taxol 50 mg/mq/w

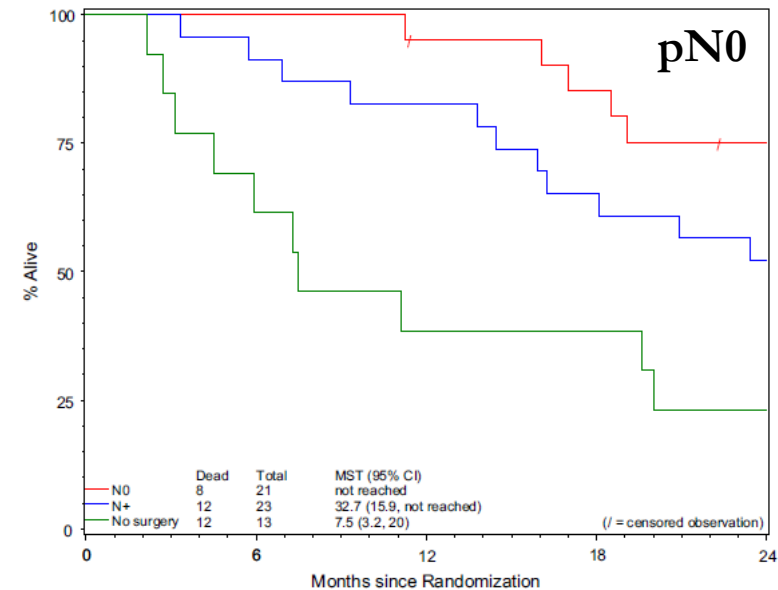
## TOXICITY

Hematologic 35%

Gastrointestinal 14%

Pulmonary 23%

Postop complicat 14%



*Mediastinal Nodal Clearance 63%*

*Suntharalingam Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2013 84:456-463*



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## Accelerated Hyperfractionated Radiotherapy

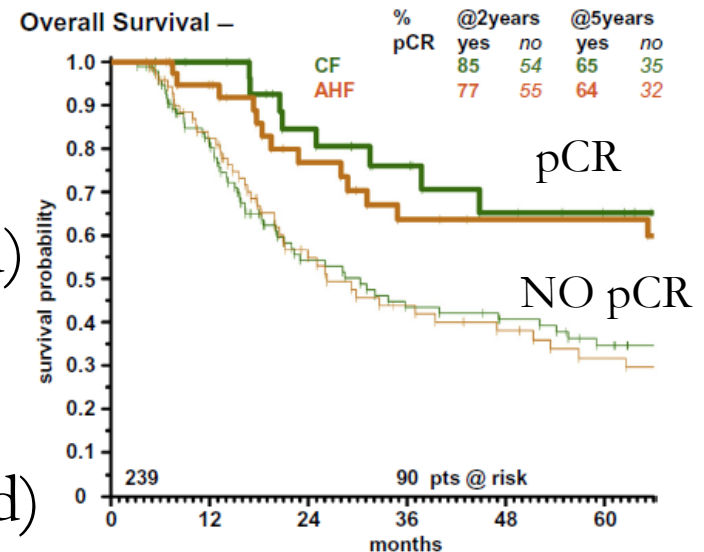
Accelerated hyperfractionated radiotherapy within trimodality therapy concepts for stage IIIA/B non-small cell lung cancer: Markedly higher rate of pathologic complete remissions than with conventional fractionation

239 patients

CT > CRT

Hyperfx (45gy/1.5Gy bid)

Conventfx (46Gy/2Gy qd)



Pottgen, *Eur J Cancer* 2013;49:2107-2115



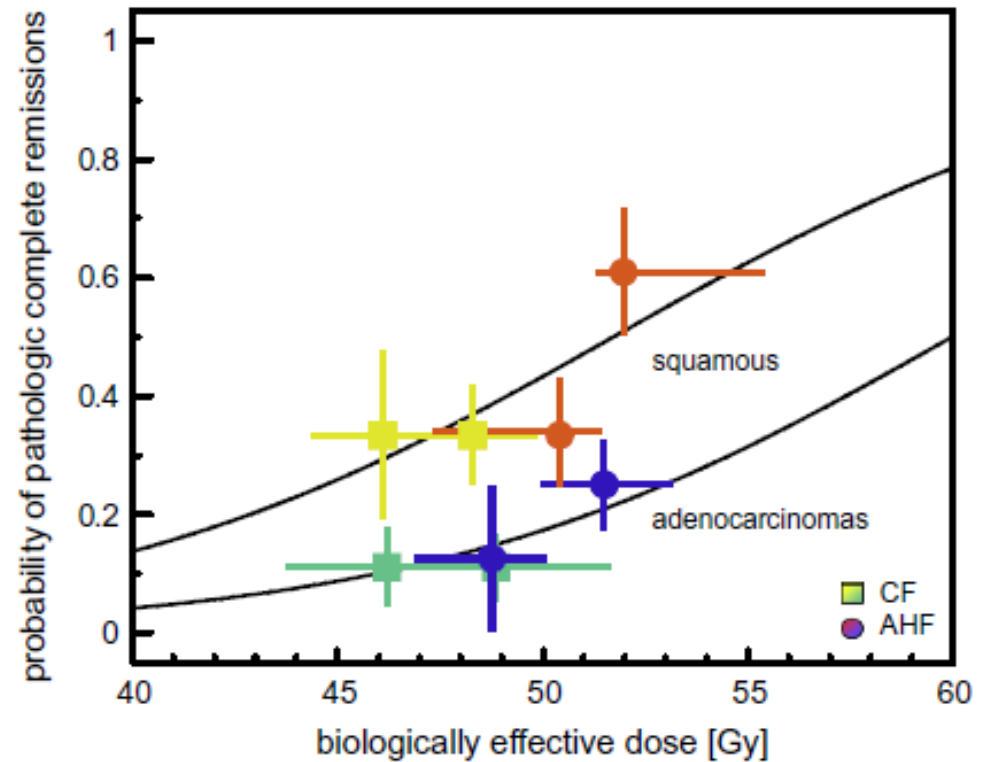
## Accelerated Hyperfractionated Radiotherapy

**pCR :**

37% AHF vs 24% CF  
(p=0.041)

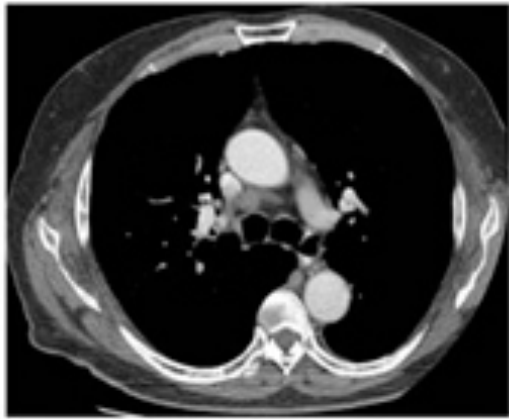
AHF : Odds Ratio 2.11  
(95%CI 1.10-4.05, p=0.025)

ADK : Odds Ratio 0.20  
(95%CI 0.08-0.50, p<0.001)



Pottgen, *Eur J Cancer* 2013;49:2107-2115





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*Clinical N2 (cN2)*

*Pathological N2 (pN2)*



CHEST 2013; 143(4): 488-494

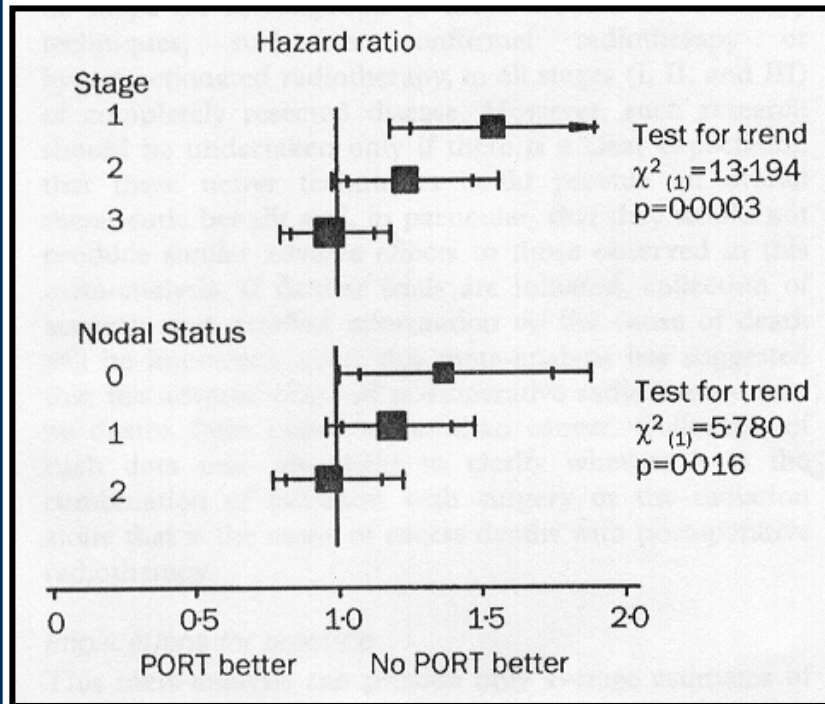
Articles

# Adjuvant Radiation Therapy

## Postoperative radiotherapy in non-small-cell lung cancer: systematic review and meta-analysis of individual patient data from nine randomised controlled trials

PORT Meta-analysis Trialists Group\*

*Critical points of trials*



1. Recruitment

2. Dose and fractionation

3. Volume

4. Technique

5. Technology

THE LANCET • Vol 352 • July 25, 1998



## *Adjuvant Radiation Therapy*

*«There remains a debate as to whether data gathered some 20 to 40 years ago should have such a **CRITICAL ROLE** in the formation of treatment guidelines in the modern era.*

*This is not to question the veracity of the data, per se, but it clearly identifies a **GLARING WEAKNESS** and time gap in the knowledge base with respect to this important question.*

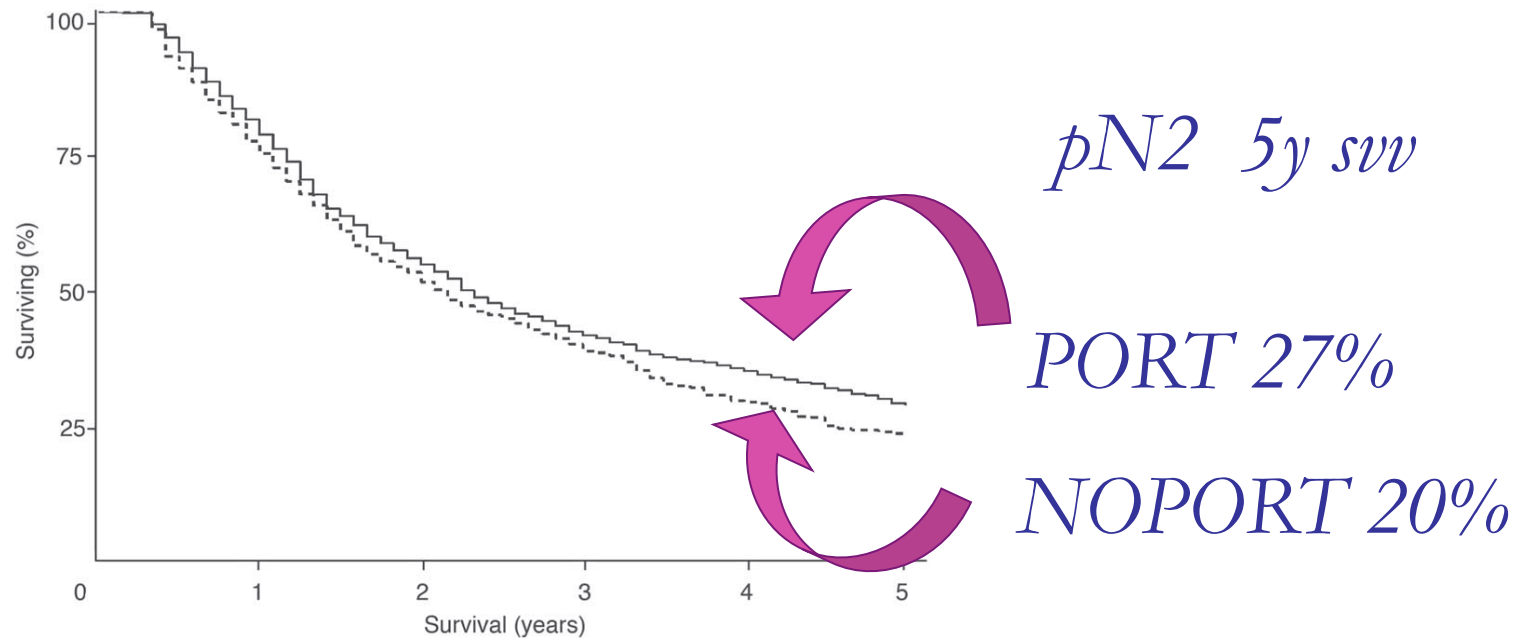
*Most modern cancer guidelines accept these data, **BUT ALL CLAMOR FOR ADDITIONAL RANDOMIZED TRIAL**»*

*Chest Guidelines 143: 278S-313 S 2013*





# Post-operative Radiotherapy for stage II or III NSCLC using the SEER database (7465 pts)



No. at risk:		0	1	2	3	4	5
Observation	521	298	177	101	65		
PORT	944	590	420	321	239		

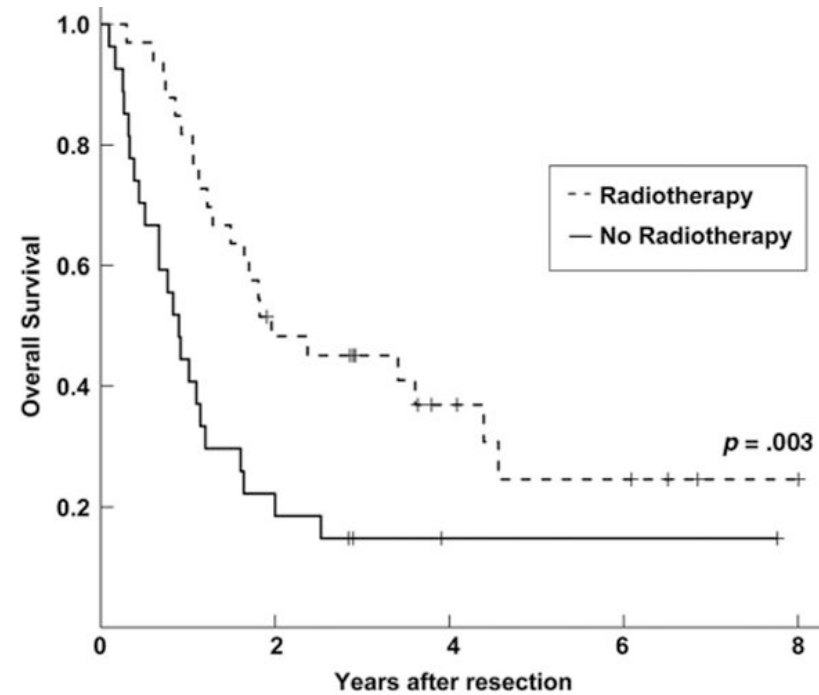
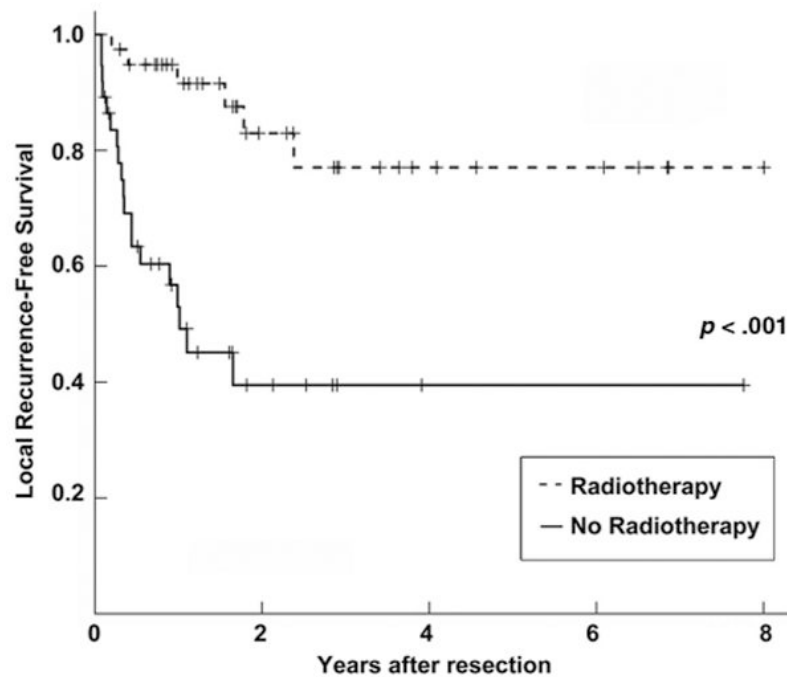
*HR 0.855; 95% CI, 0.762-0.959; p=0 .0077*

*Lally BE JCO July 2006*



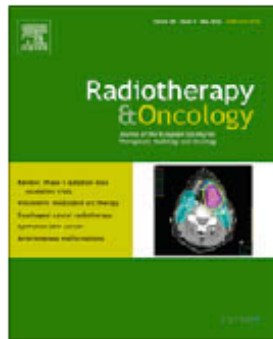
# Prognostic Factors for Resected Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer with pN2 Status: Implications for Use of Postoperative Radiotherapy

Vanderbilt University Medical Center between 1994 and 2004



Moretti L, Oncologist. 2009; 14(11): 1106–1115.





## ADJUVANT RADIOTHERAPY: 2010 RETROSPECTIVE ANALYSIS

		<i>LR</i>		LR HR 0.45 (0.24-0.87, p=0.015) OS no differences
		<i>PORT</i>	<i>NO PORT</i>	
FLORENCE UNIVERSITY	175	32.1%	15.1%	

Scotti V. Radiother Oncol, 96(1):84-8, 2010



		<i>OS</i>		<i>DFS</i>	
	<i>pN2 PTS</i>	<i>POCRT</i>	<i>POC</i>	<i>POCRT</i>	<i>POC</i>
SICHUAN UNIVERSITY	183	30.5%	14.4% (p = 0.007)	22.2%	9.3% (p = 0.003)

Zou B, IJROBP; 77: 321–328, 2010

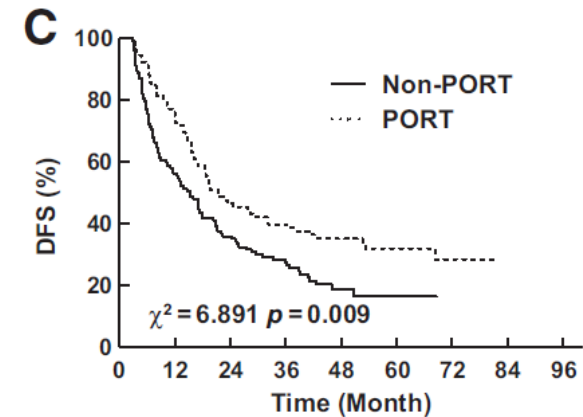
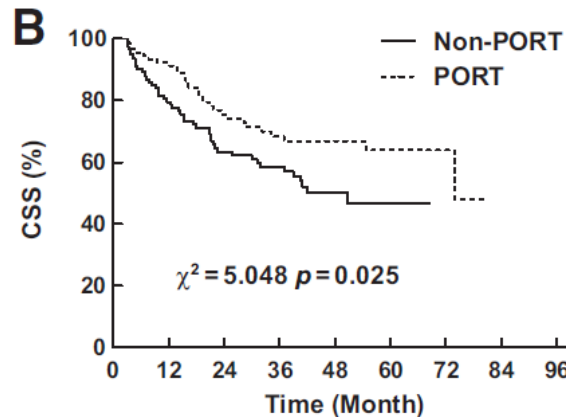
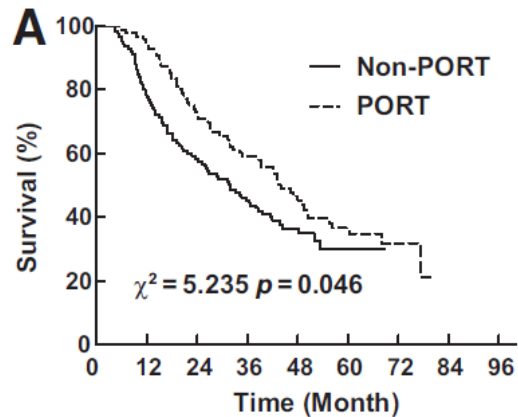


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CME

## Lung Cancer

### Postoperative Radiotherapy for Resected Pathological Stage IIIA–N2 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: A Retrospective Study of 221 Cases from a Single Institution



*Dai H, The Oncologist 2011;16:641–650*



## *pN2 Adjuvant Radiation Therapy*

	Median OS (m)		5y OS (%)	
	<i>ANITA</i>	<i>Dai 2011</i>	<i>ANITA</i>	<i>Dai 2011</i>
CHEMO+ PORT	47,4	48,3	47	38,2
CHEMO+ no PORT	23,8	38,1	34	31,9
NoCHEMO+PORT	22,7	38,3	21,3	33,7
NoCHEMO+no PORT	12,7	21,6	16,6	23,1

*«These consistent results indicate that both patients treated with or without adjuvant chemotherapy may benefit from PORT for pN2 disease»*

*Douillard Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2008, 72:695-701*

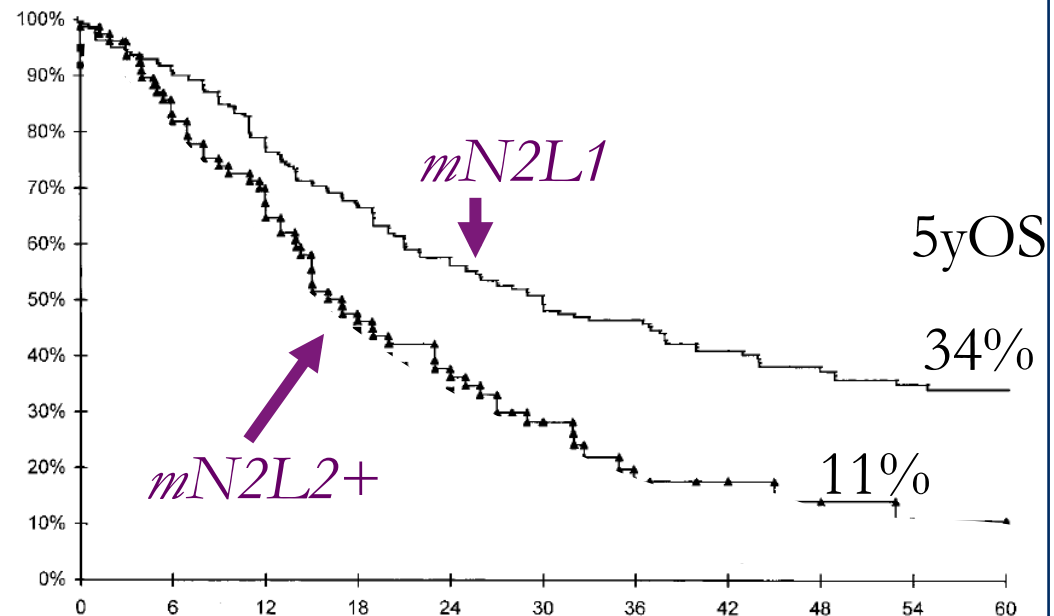


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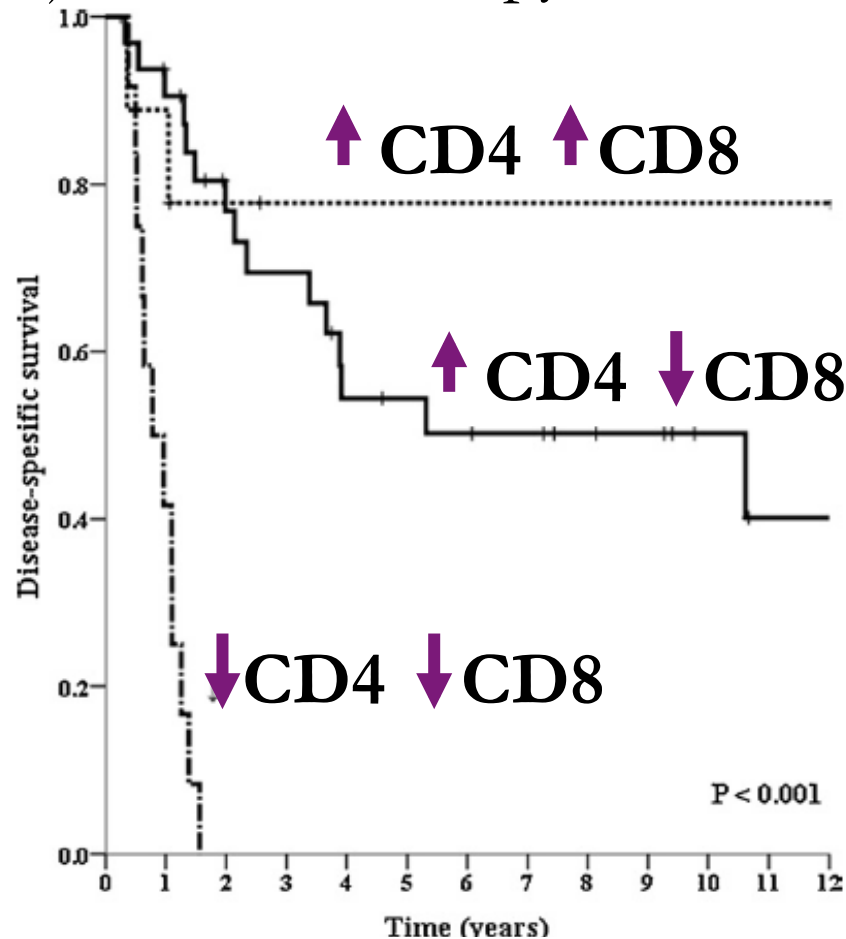
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Table 2. Results of univariate and multivariate analyses of prognostic factors for OS

Characteristic	Univariate analysis			Multivariate analysis		
	MST (mos)	5-yr OS (%)	<i>p</i> -value	HR	95% CI	<i>p</i> -value
<i>n</i> of positive nodes			.000	1.389	1.031–1.872	.031
1–3	52.0	46.2				
4–6	39.3	35.8				
7–9	31.5	30.7				
≥10	25.8	12.2				

*Dai H, The Oncologist 2011;16:641–650*

CD4/CD8 co-expression shows independent prognostic impact in resected NSCLC patients treated with adjuvant radiotherapy



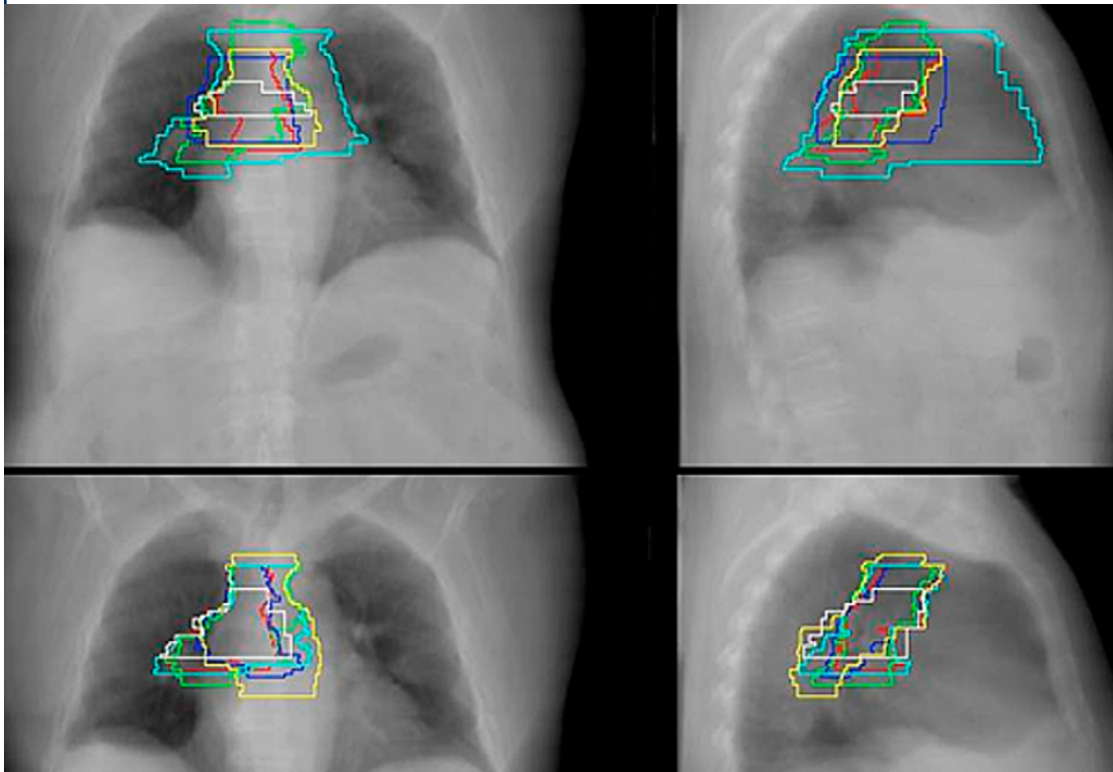
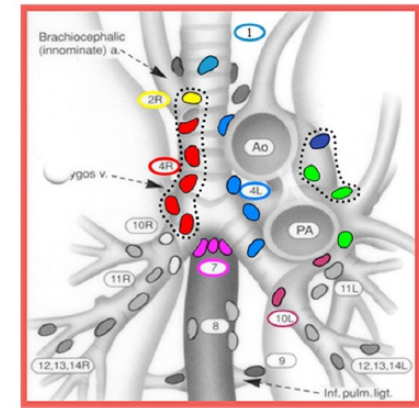
Stromal CD4CD8	HR	95% CI	pvalue
A	1.0		
B	1.84	0.4-8.3	0.430
C	21.12	3.8-115	<0.001

Hald SM, Lung Cancer 80 (2013) 209- 215





# TARGET VOLUME DELINEATION IN PORT



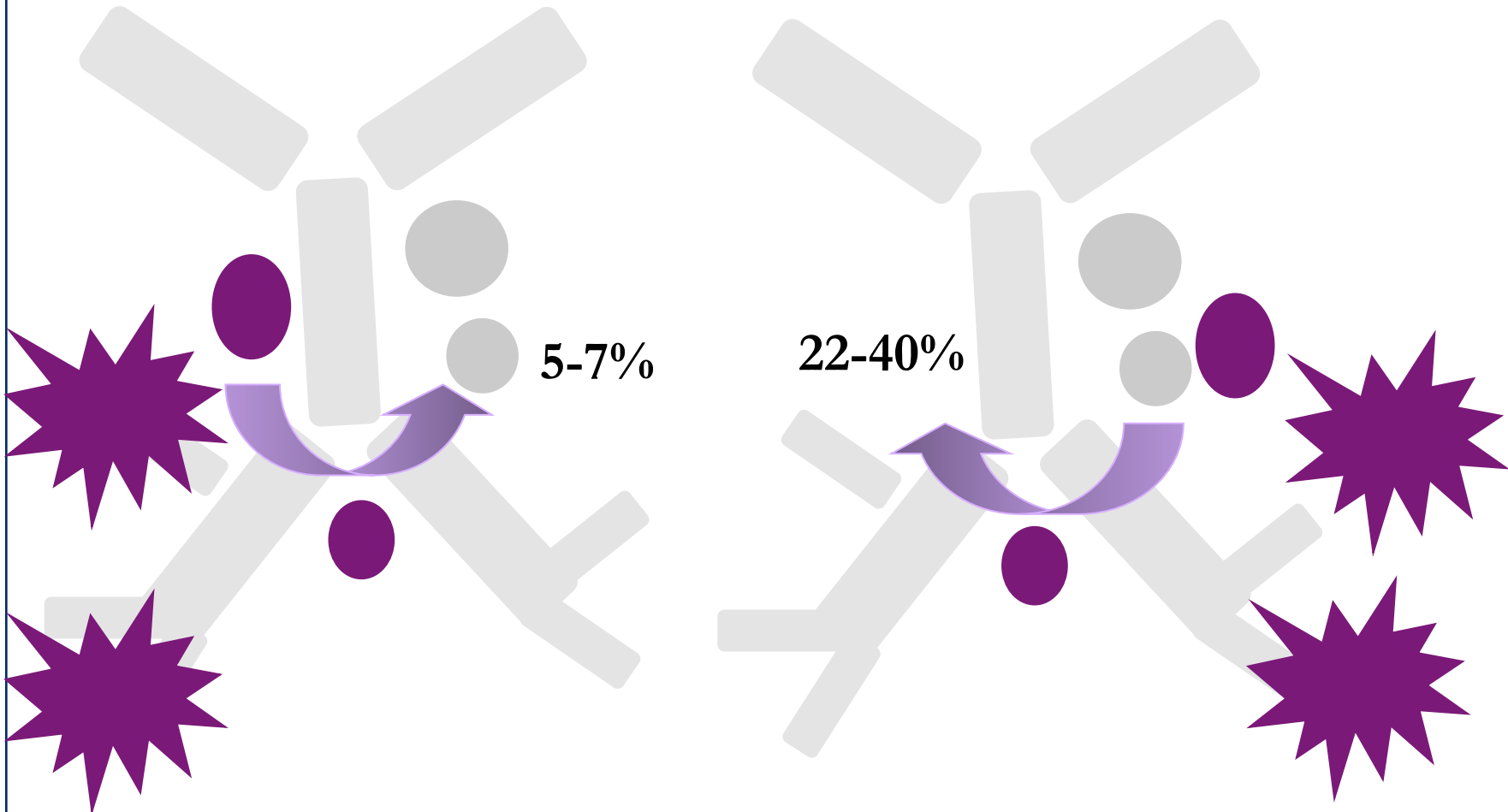
SIGNIFICANT  
INTERCLINICIANS  
VARIATIONS IN CONTURING  
AND IN PORT FIELDS CAN  
CONFOUND PORT RESULTS

MANDATORY QUALITY  
ASSURANCE PROCEDURES  
HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED  
IN LUNG ART

Spoelstra, IJROBP 2010.

## TARGET VOLUME DELINEATION IN PORT

### CONTRALATERAL MEDIASTINUM INVOLVEMENT

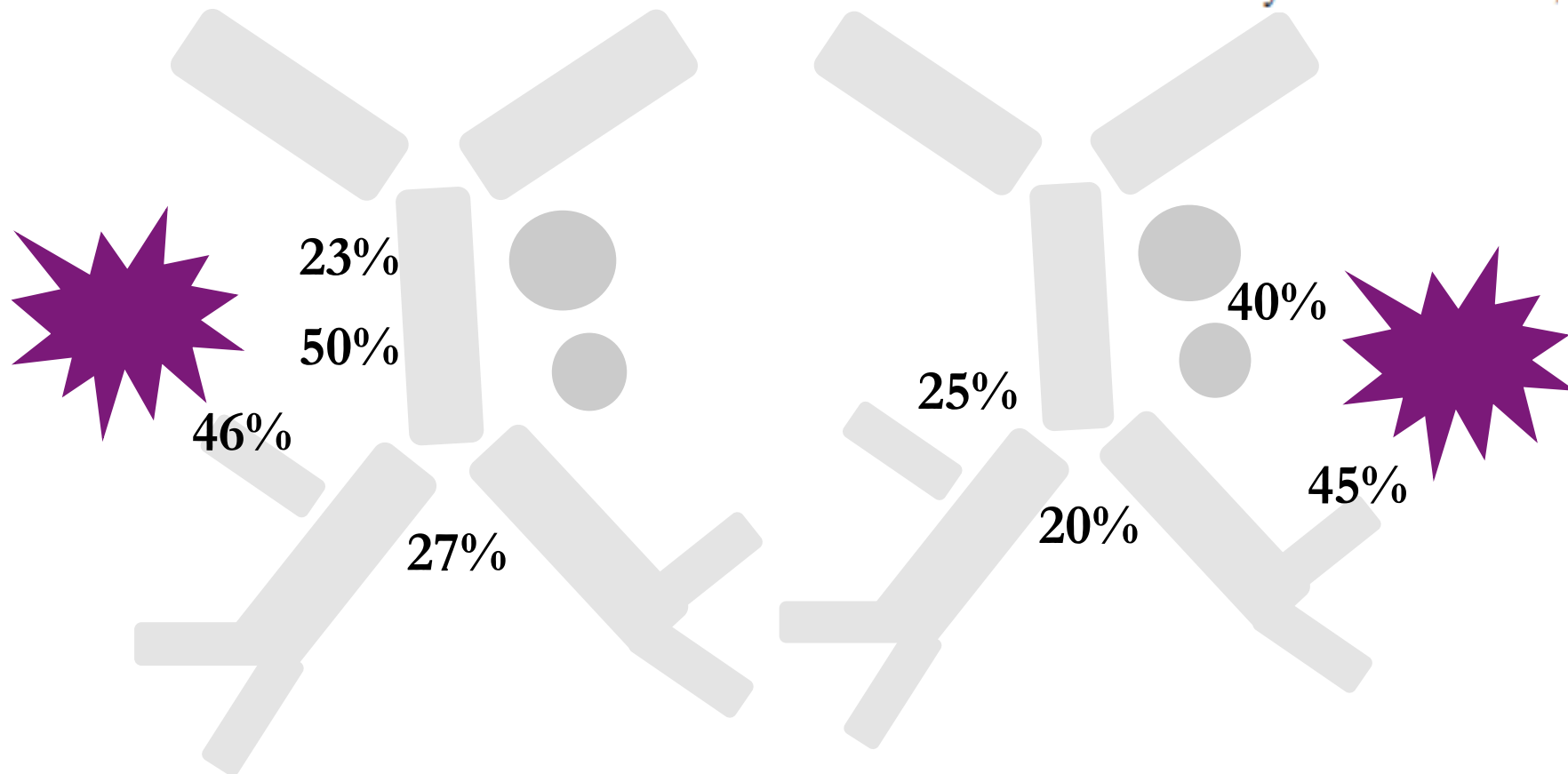


*Kelsey Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2006 65:1097-1105*

## TARGET VOLUME DELINEATION IN PORT

PATTERNS OF FAILURE AFTER RESECTION OF NON-SMALL-CELL LUNG  
CANCER: IMPLICATIONS FOR POSTOPERATIVE RADIATION

THERAPY VOLUMES Duke University Medical Center,

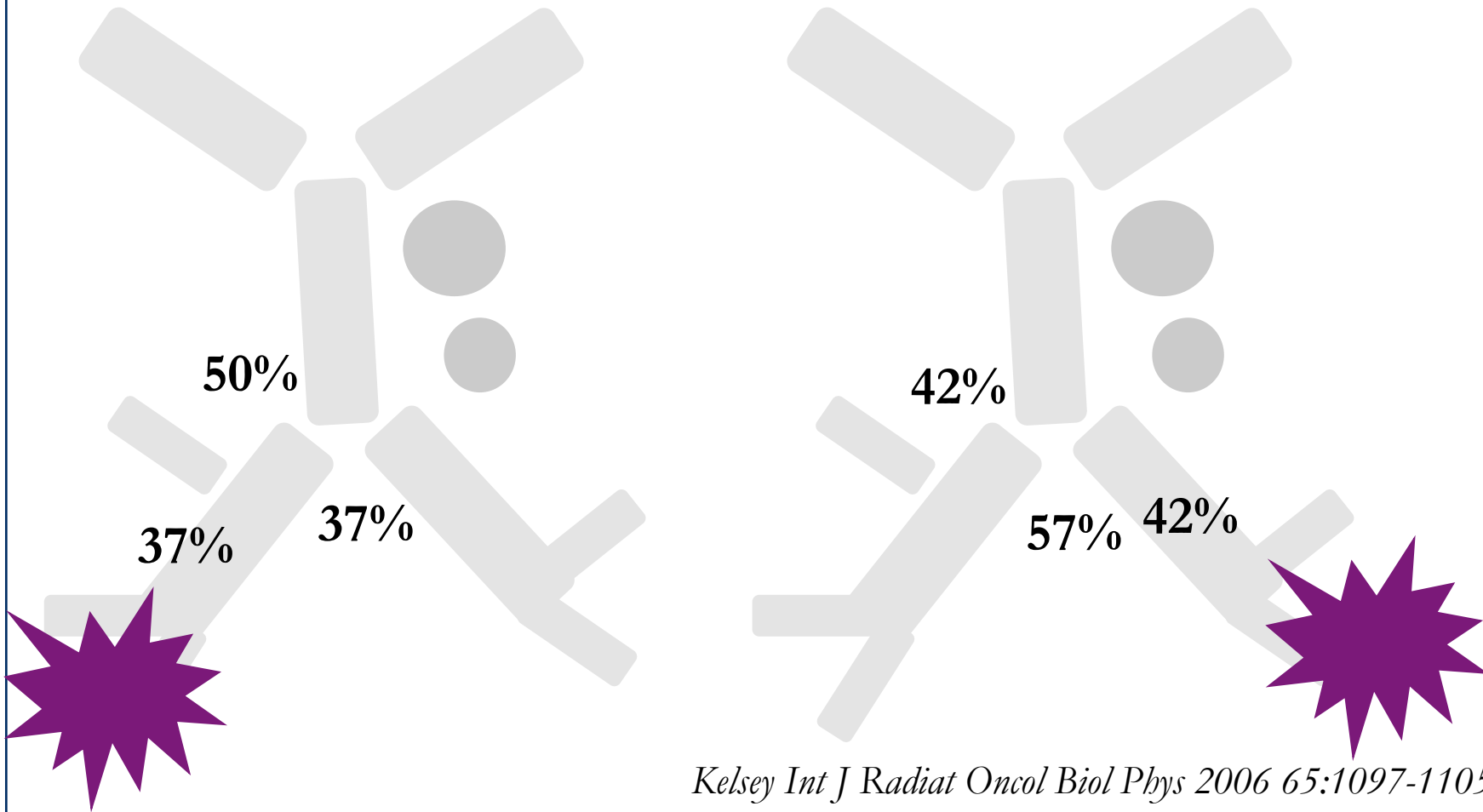


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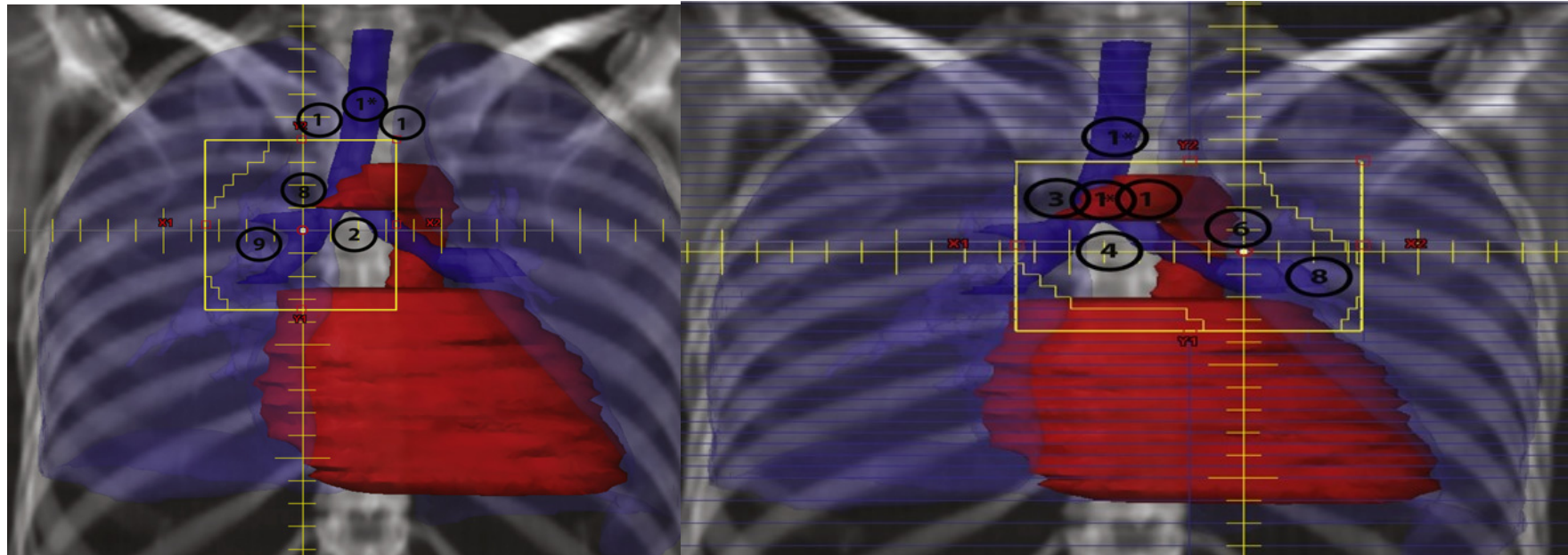


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### PATTERNS OF FAILURE AFTER RESECTION OF NON-SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER: IMPLICATIONS FOR POSTOPERATIVE RADIATION THERAPY VOLUMES



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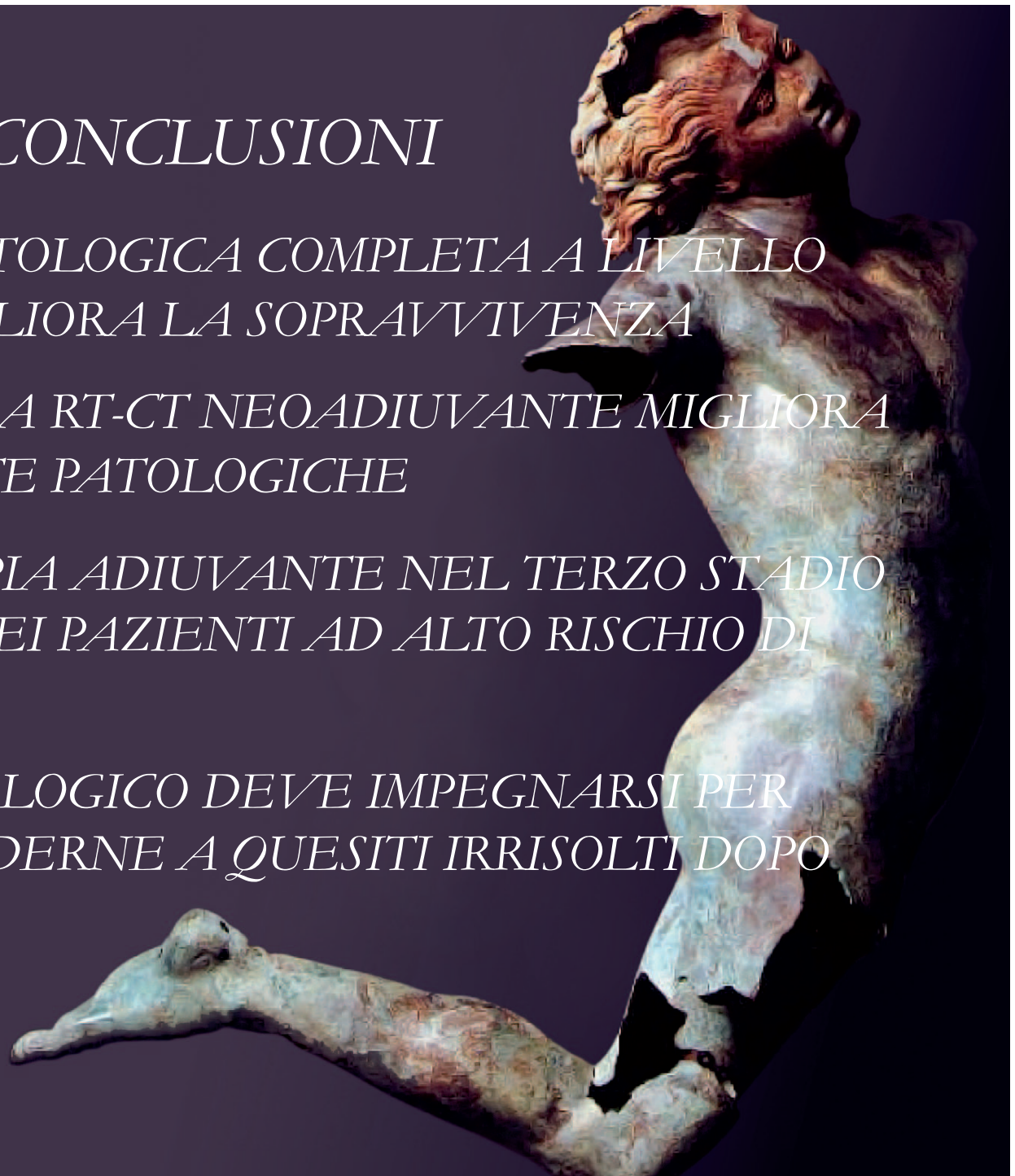


“87% of failures would have been encompassed by RT fields”

*Kristin A. Higgins Int J Radiation Oncol Biol Phys, Vol. 83, No. 2, pp. 727-733, 2012*

## CONCLUSIONI

- ✓ *LA RISPOSTA PATOLOGICA COMPLETA A LIVELLO LINFONODALE MIGLIORA LA SOPRAVVIVENZA*
- ✓ *L'IMPIEGO DELLA RT-CT NEOADIUVANTE MIGLIORA IL TASSO DI RISPOSTE PATOLOGICHE*
- ✓ *LA RADIOTERAPIA ADIUVANTE NEL TERZO STADIO N2 E' SUGGERITA NEI PAZIENTI AD ALTO RISCHIO DI RICADUTA*
- ✓ *IL MONDO ONCOLOGICO DEVE IMPEGNARSI PER DARE RISPOSTE MODERNE A QUESITI IRRISOLTI DOPO OLTRE 20 ANNI*





***GRAZIE PER  
L'ATTENZIONE!!!***

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# *CONCLUSIONI*





## INDUCTION CHEMOTHERAPY

Authors, <sup>Ref.</sup> Year	Phase	Disease	Patients (N)	Resected (n)	Resected (%)	pCR (%)	5-y Survival (%)	N2 Downstaging
Burkes et al, <sup>77</sup> 1992	II	IIIA-N2	39	22	56	5	26 (3-y)	36
Sugarbaker et al, <sup>8</sup> 1995	II	IIIA-N2	74	46	62	NS	23 (3-y)	22
Rosell et al, <sup>6,78</sup> 1994, 1999	III	44/60 (N2)	60	23/27	85	3	17 (induction), 0 (no induction)	32
Roth et al, <sup>4,5</sup> 1994, 1998	III	IIIA	60	17/28	61	4	36 (induction), 15 (no induction)	NS
Van Zandwijk et al (EORTC), <sup>79</sup> 2000	II	IIIA-N2	47 (17 surgery)	16/17	94 (induction)	6 (1/17)	NS for surgical group	53
Betticher et al, <sup>80</sup> 2003	II	IIIA-N2	90	75	83	NS	34 (3-y)	61
Nagai et al, <sup>81</sup> 2003	III	IIIA-N2	62	20/31	65 (induction)	0 (0/31)	22 (induction), 10 (no Induction)	NS
O'Brien et al (EORTC), <sup>82</sup> 2003	II	IIIA-N2	52 (15 surgery)	12/15	80 (induction)	2	NS for surgical group	17
Garrido et al, <sup>83</sup> 2007	II	IIIA (N2)-R (TAN0-1)	69 (N2)	46 (N2)	67	2 (N2)	27 (N2 resected)	27

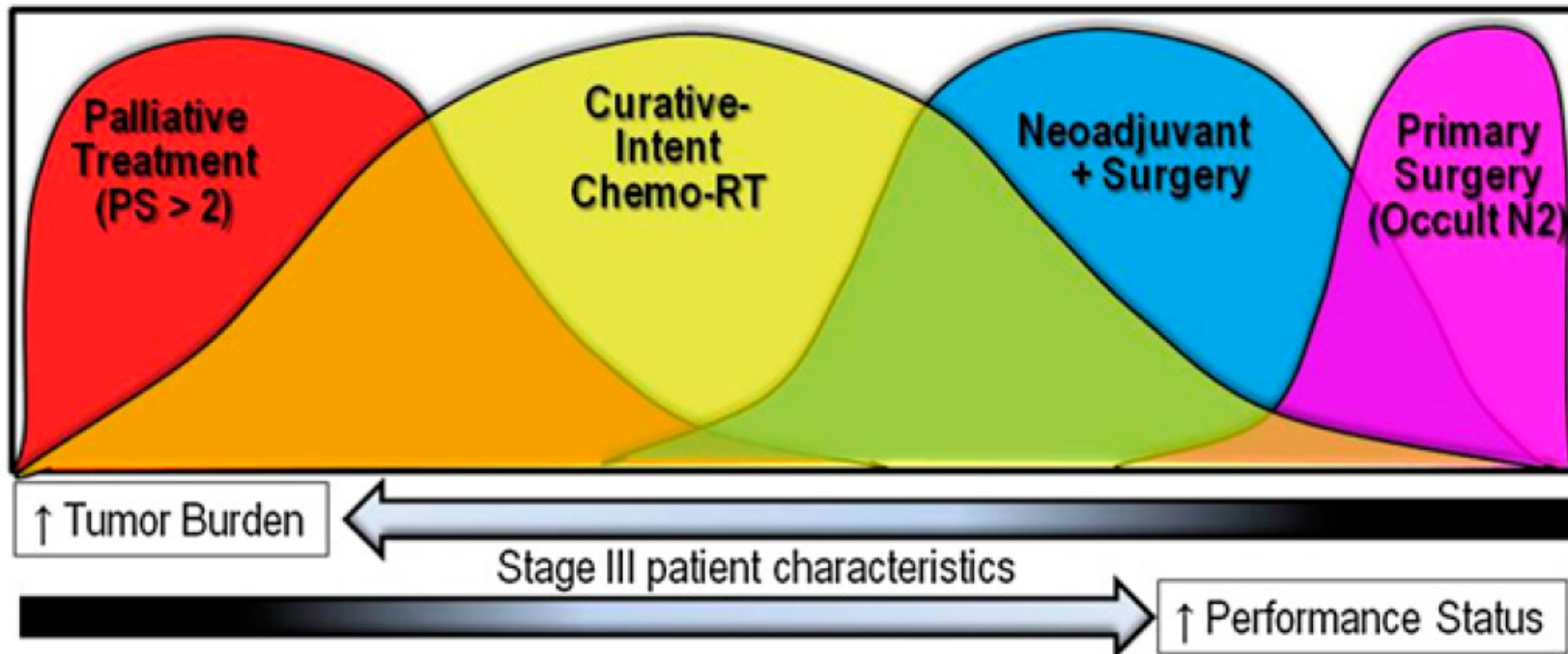
## INDUCTION RADIO-CHEMOTHERAPY

Authors, <sup>Ref.</sup> Year	Phase	Disease	Patients (N)	Resected (n)	Resected (%)	pCR (%)	5-y Survival (%)	N2 Downstaging
Albain et al (SWOG 8805), <sup>9</sup> 1995	II	IIIA-N2	75 (N2 patients)	57	76	21	27 (3-y; N2)	51
Mathisen et al, <sup>84</sup> 1996	II	IIIA-N2	40	35	87.5	6	43	40
Katayama et al, <sup>85</sup> 2004	II	IIIA-B	22	19	86.4	23	66 (3-y)	NS
Albain et al (INT 0139), <sup>10</sup> 2009	III	IIIA	429	155/202	75.8	14	27 (induction), 20 (no induction)	41% (N0)
Steger et al, <sup>86</sup> 2009	II	III-N2/3	55	55	100	35	49	59





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# Hyperfractionated Accelerated Radiotherapy

120 patients

CT 4 cycles > CRT  
(45Gy/1.5Gy bid)

Lobect 30%

Pneumo 46%

Other Surg 24%

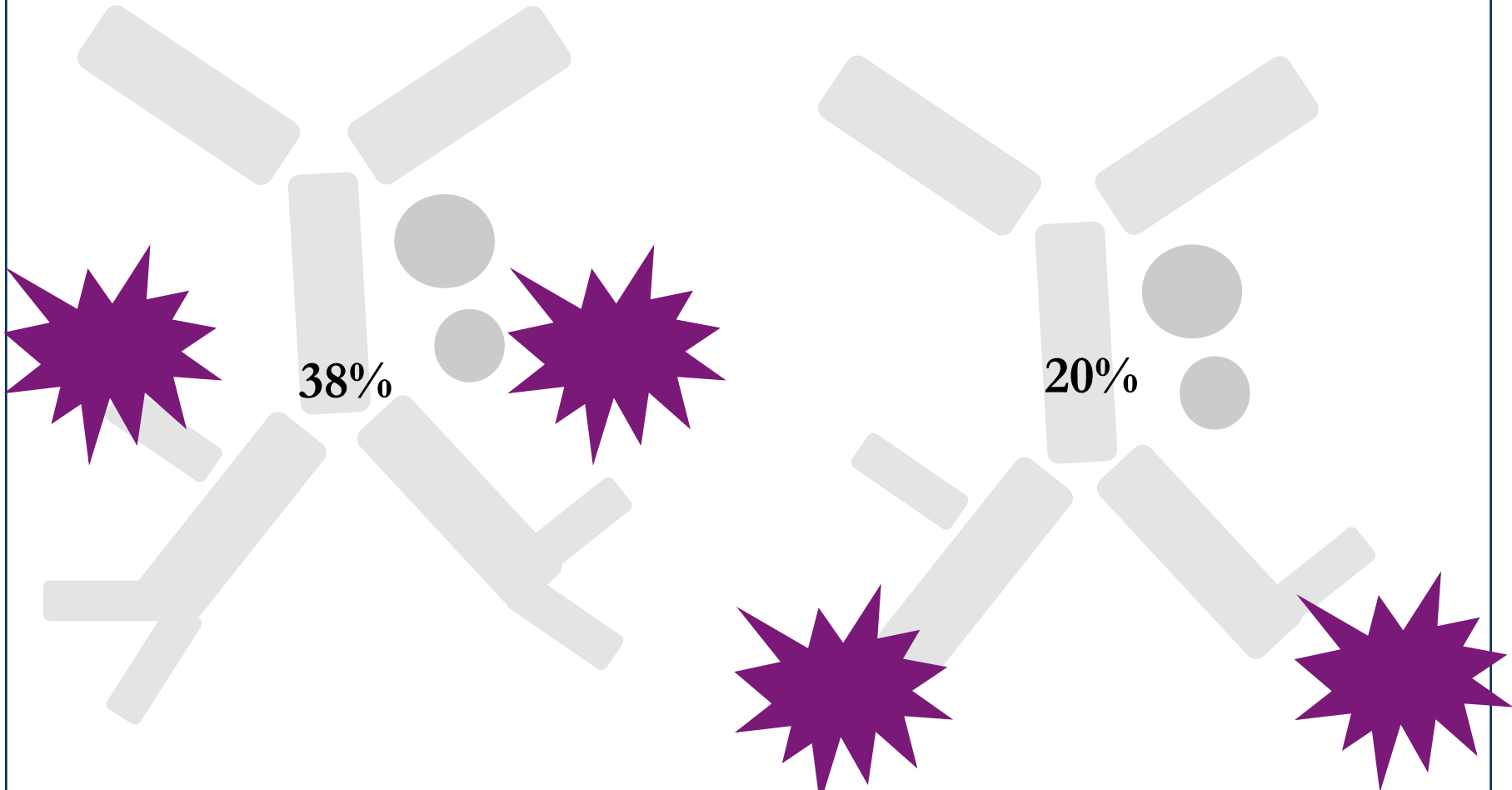
Variable	No. of Patients	5-Year Survival (%)	Median Survival (months)		P	Relative Risk
			Time	CI		
All	120	24.5	18	14.1 to 21.8		
R0	58	45.0	35	21.9 to 48.0	.000	
No resection	62	0.0	11	8.9 to 13.0		1.9
IIIA primary	30	35.6	21	9.3 to 32.6	.296	
IIIB primary	88	21.1	16	11.4 to 20.6		
R0N0	44	49.7	40	6.9 to 73.1	.254	
R0N2/3	18	22.2	28	18.2 to 37.7		
R0, stage 0	15	66.7	—		.001	
R0, stage I	13	61.5	—			1.3
R0, stage II	12	41.7	37	3.1 to 70.9		2.2
R0, stage IIIA	10	50.0	—			1.8
R0, stage IIIB	10	00.0	21	11.7 to 30.3		6.1
R0, tumor regression > 90%	29	58.6	—		.071	
Tumor regression < 90%	21	28.6	29	20.0 to 38		1.5
R0T4N0	7	57.1	—		.004	
No operation, T4N0	8	00.0	9	4.8 to 13.2		

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# TARGET VOLUME DELINEATION IN PORT

**BYPASS HILAR NODES IS COMMON**



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