

# Vigile attesa, sorveglianza attiva, ormonoterapia esclusiva: a chi?

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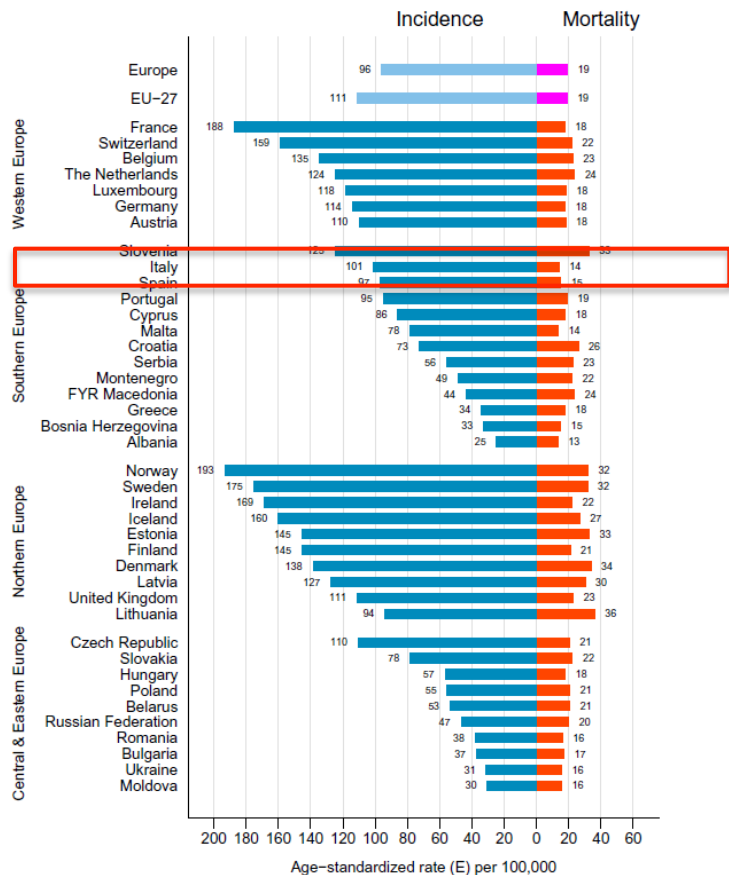


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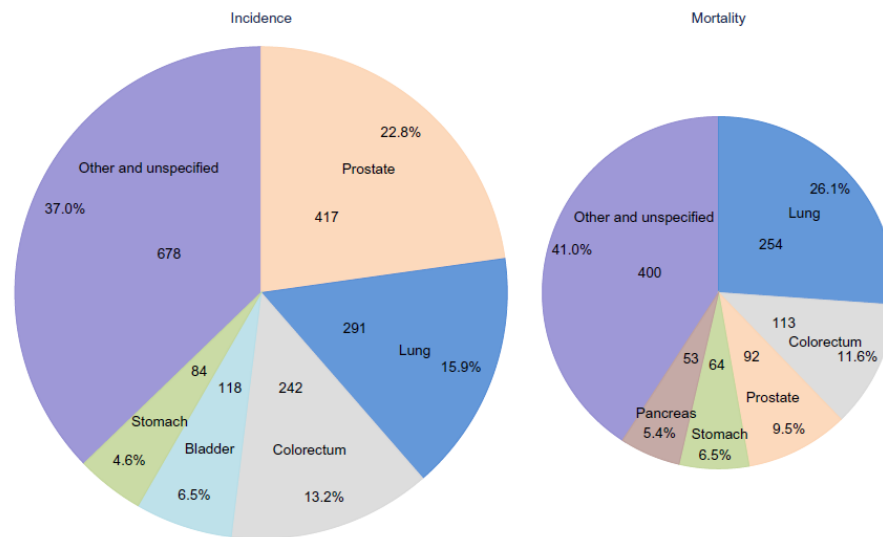
# Tumore prostatico – le dimensioni del problema

## Cancer incidence and mortality patterns in Europe: Estimates for 40 countries in 2012

J. Ferlay et al. European Journal of Cancer 2013



Age-standardised incidence and mortality rates by area and country in Europe 2012; prostate cancer.

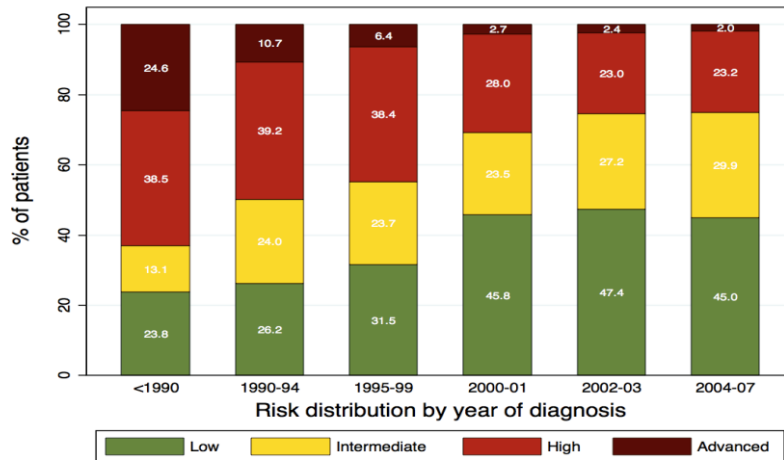


417,000 nuovi casi all'anno di tumore prostatico, con stimata riduzione della mortalità.

# Tumore prostatico – le dimensioni del problema

## Contemporary Trends in Low-Risk Prostate Cancer: Risk Assessment and Treatment

Cooperberg et al. J Urol, 2007



**Risk class migration:** aumento di diagnosi di pazienti in classe di rischio bassa.

### Grade migration?

Penney Prostate cancer Foundation 18<sup>th</sup> annual meeting Abs67

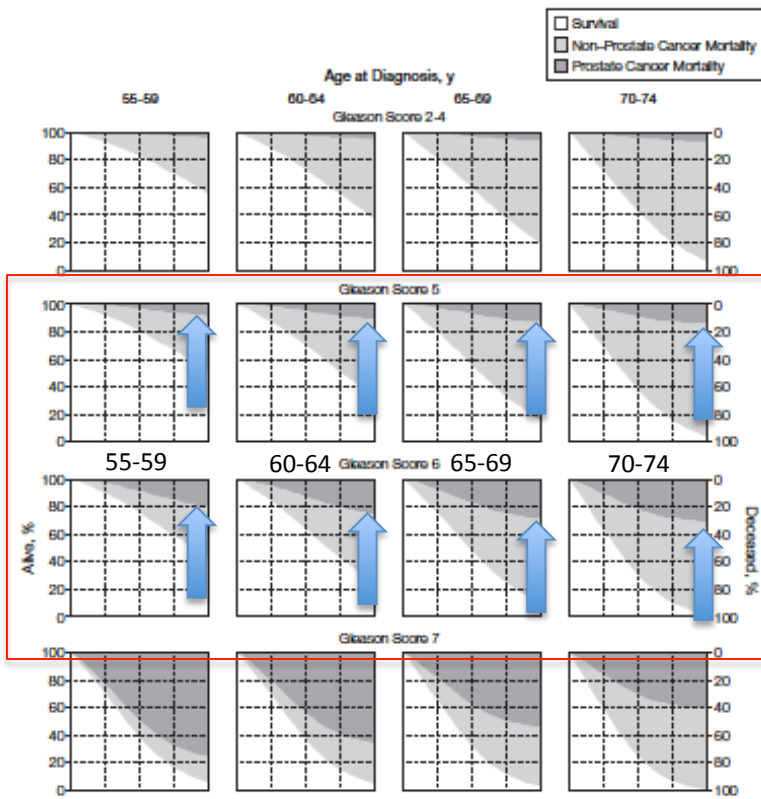
#### Conclusions

The dramatic shift in stage at diagnosis in the years after introduction of PSA screening was accompanied by a more modest shift to lower Gleason scores. On a population basis, these findings suggest that Gleason grade may be established early in the pathogenesis of prostate tumors. This finding has implications for our understanding of prognosis and of tumor progression.

# PC mortalità cancro specifica

## 20-Year Outcomes Following Conservative Management of Clinically Localized Prostate Cancer

Albertsen et al. JAMA 2005



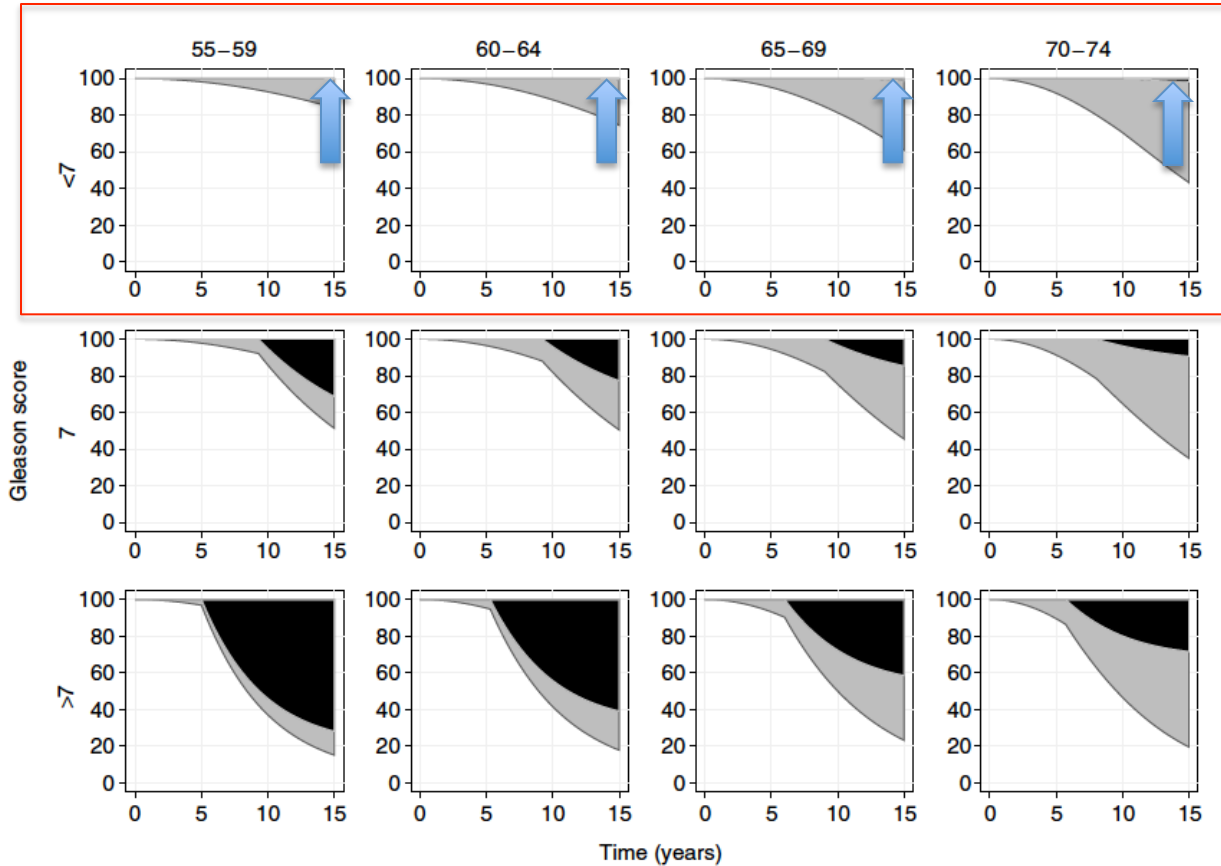
**Results** The prostate cancer mortality rate was 33 per 1000 person-years during the first 15 years of follow-up (95% confidence interval [CI], 28-38) and 18 per 1000 person-years after 15 years of follow-up (95% CI, 10-29). The mortality rates for these 2 follow-up periods were not statistically different, after adjusting for differences in tumor histology (rate ratio, 1.1; 95% CI, 0.6-1.9). Men with low-grade prostate cancers have a minimal risk of dying from prostate cancer during 20 years of follow-up (Gleason score of 2-4, 6 deaths per 1000 person-years; 95% CI, 2-11). Men with high-grade prostate cancers have a high probability of dying from prostate cancer within 10 years of diagnosis (Gleason score of 8-10, 121 deaths per 1000 person-years; 95% CI, 90-156). Men with Gleason score of 5 or 6 tumors have an intermediate risk of prostate cancer death.

**Conclusion** The annual mortality rate from prostate cancer appears to remain stable after 15 years from diagnosis, which does not support aggressive treatment for localized low-grade prostate cancer.

- ✓ Era pre-PSA
- ✓ Maggiore probabilità di avere malattia extracapsulare → i risultati possono sottostimare la sopravvivenza dei pazienti contemporanei.

# PC: mortalità cancro specifica

A model of the natural history of screen-detected prostate cancer, and the effect of radical treatment on overall survival



Screen-detected  
PC: mortalità a 15  
anni da 0 a 2% per  
GPS < 7

□ Death due to other causes

■ Death due to Pca

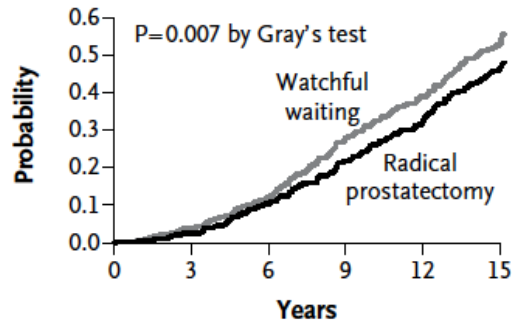
# Prostatectomia vs Osservazione

## Radical Prostatectomy versus Watchful Waiting in Early Prostate Cancer

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Bill-Axelsson et al. 2011

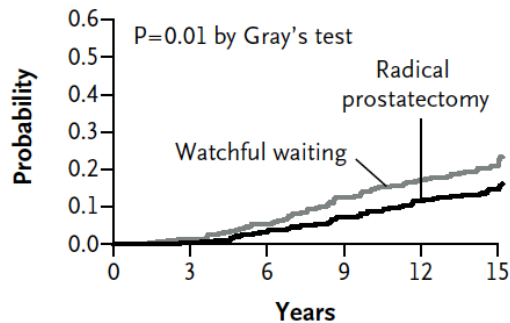
### A Death from Any Cause, Total Cohort



#### No. at Risk

Radical prostatectomy	347	339	311	271	214	109
Watchful waiting	348	334	306	251	192	96

### B Death from Prostate Cancer, Total Cohort



#### No. at Risk

Radical prostatectomy	347	339	311	271	214	109
Watchful waiting	348	334	306	251	192	96

FU 15 yrs

CSM a 15 anni: 14,% in RP vs 20,7% in WW.

**NNT 15** per prevenire una morte da neoplasia prostatica a 15 anni

Non screen-detected pts

WW ≠ AS

Non ripetizione delle biopsie

Non trattamento radicale differito

Solo 12% dei pazienti in stadio cT1c

# Prostatectomia vs Osservazione

## Radical Prostatectomy versus Observation for Localized Prostate Cancer

Timothy J. Wilt, M.D., M.P.H., Michael K. Brawer, M.D., Karen M. Jones, M.S., Michael J. Barry, M.D., William J. Aronson, M.D., Steven Fox, M.D., M.P.H., Jeffrey R. Gingrich, M.D., John T. Wei, M.D., Patricia Gilhooly, M.D., B. Mayer Grob, M.D., Imad Nsouli, M.D., Padmini Iyer, M.D., Ruben Cartagena, M.D., Glenn Snider, M.D., Claus Roehrborn, M.D., Ph.D., Roohollah Sharifi, M.D., William Blank, M.D., Parikshit Pandya, M.D., Gerald L. Andriole, M.D., Daniel Culkin, M.D., and Thomas Wheeler, M.D., for the Prostate Cancer Intervention versus Observation Trial (PIVOT) Study Group

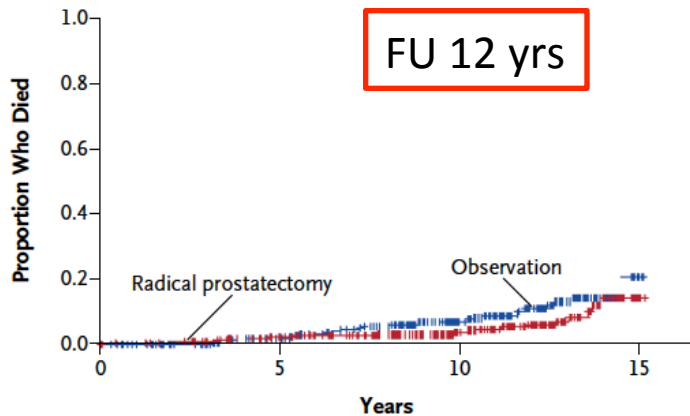
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### B Death from Prostate Cancer



NNT ≈ 34.5

Chirurgia: riduzione della mortalità solo in malattia a rischio intermedio-alto e PSA > 10

#### No. at Risk

Observation	367	341	315	288	258	176	106	26	0
Radical prostatectomy	364	352	329	300	267	187	126	36	0

## CONCLUSIONS

Among men with localized prostate cancer detected during the early era of PSA testing, radical prostatectomy did not significantly reduce all-cause or prostate-cancer mortality, as compared with observation, through at least 12 years of follow-up. Absolute differences were less than 3 percentage points.

# Overtreatment

## Prostate-Cancer Mortality at 11 Years of Follow-up

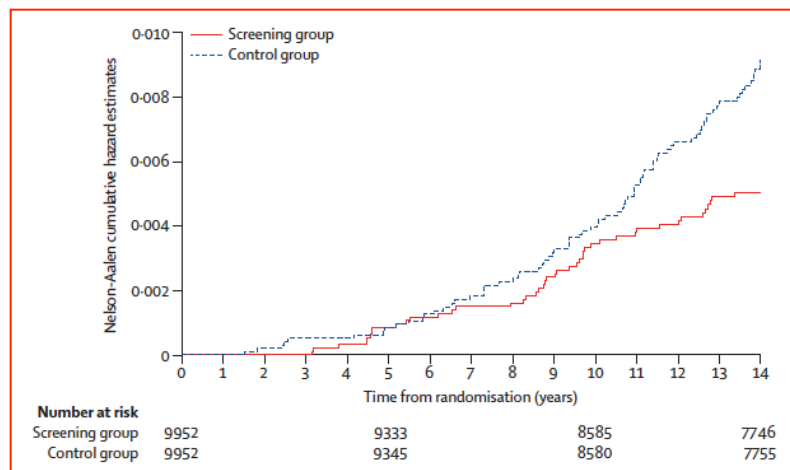
Schröder et al. NEJM 2012

Per prevenire una morte da neoplasia prostatica a 11 anni:

- **NNS 1055**
- **NNT 37**

## Mortality results from the Göteborg randomised population-based prostate-cancer screening trial

Hugosson et al. Lancet 2010



FU 14 yrs

- **NNS 293**
- **NNT 12**



# Sorveglianza attiva: razionale

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## *Overdiagnosis*

Diagnosi di una malattia *cl clinicamente insignificante*, che non causa morbidity o mortalità



## *Overtreatment*

Trattamento di una neoplasia clinicamente insignificante



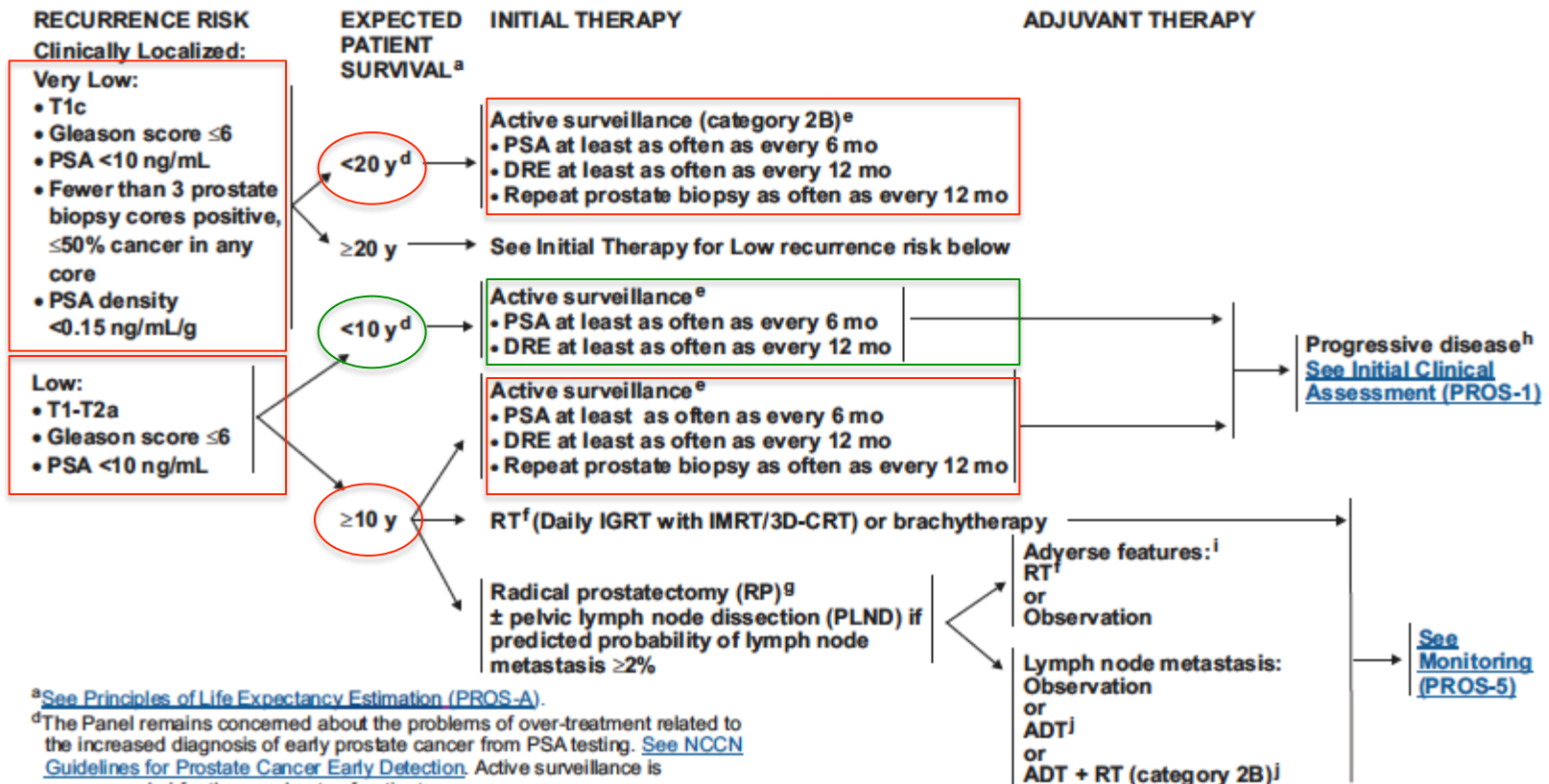
## *Sorveglianza Attiva*

Riduzione dell'overtreatment dilazionando o addirittura evitando i trattamenti radicali ed i loro effetti collaterali mantenendo aperta una finestra di curabilità

# Sorveglianza Attiva vs Watchful Waiting

	<b>Active Surveillance</b>	<b>Watchful Waiting</b>
* Aim	To individualize strategy according to the biologic behavior of cancer	To avoid radical treatments and related side effects
Patient characteristics	Fit for radical treatments Age < 80	Life expectancy < 15 years Age > 70
*Disease characteristics	e. g. PRIAS: cT1-2a; GPS ≤ 3+3; PSA ≤ 10 ng/ml, pos cores <3	Any T stage and any PSA; GPS ≤ 7
*Monitoring	e. g. PRIAS: PSA: systematic Re-biopsies: systematic	PSA: unimportant No re-biopsy
*Indications for Treatment	Short PSA DT Upgrading/upsizing PSA > 10-20 ng/ml	Symptomatic progression
Treatment Timing	Early	Delayed
*Treatment Intent	Radical	Palliative

# Malattia clinicamente localizzata: indicazioni



<sup>a</sup>See Principles of Life Expectancy Estimation (PROS-A).

<sup>d</sup>The Panel remains concerned about the problems of over-treatment related to the increased diagnosis of early prostate cancer from PSA testing. See NCCN Guidelines for Prostate Cancer Early Detection. Active surveillance is recommended for these subsets of patients.

<sup>e</sup>Active surveillance involves actively monitoring the course of disease with the expectation to intervene if the cancer progresses. See Principles of Active Surveillance (PROS-B).

<sup>f</sup>See Principles of Radiation Therapy (PROS-C).

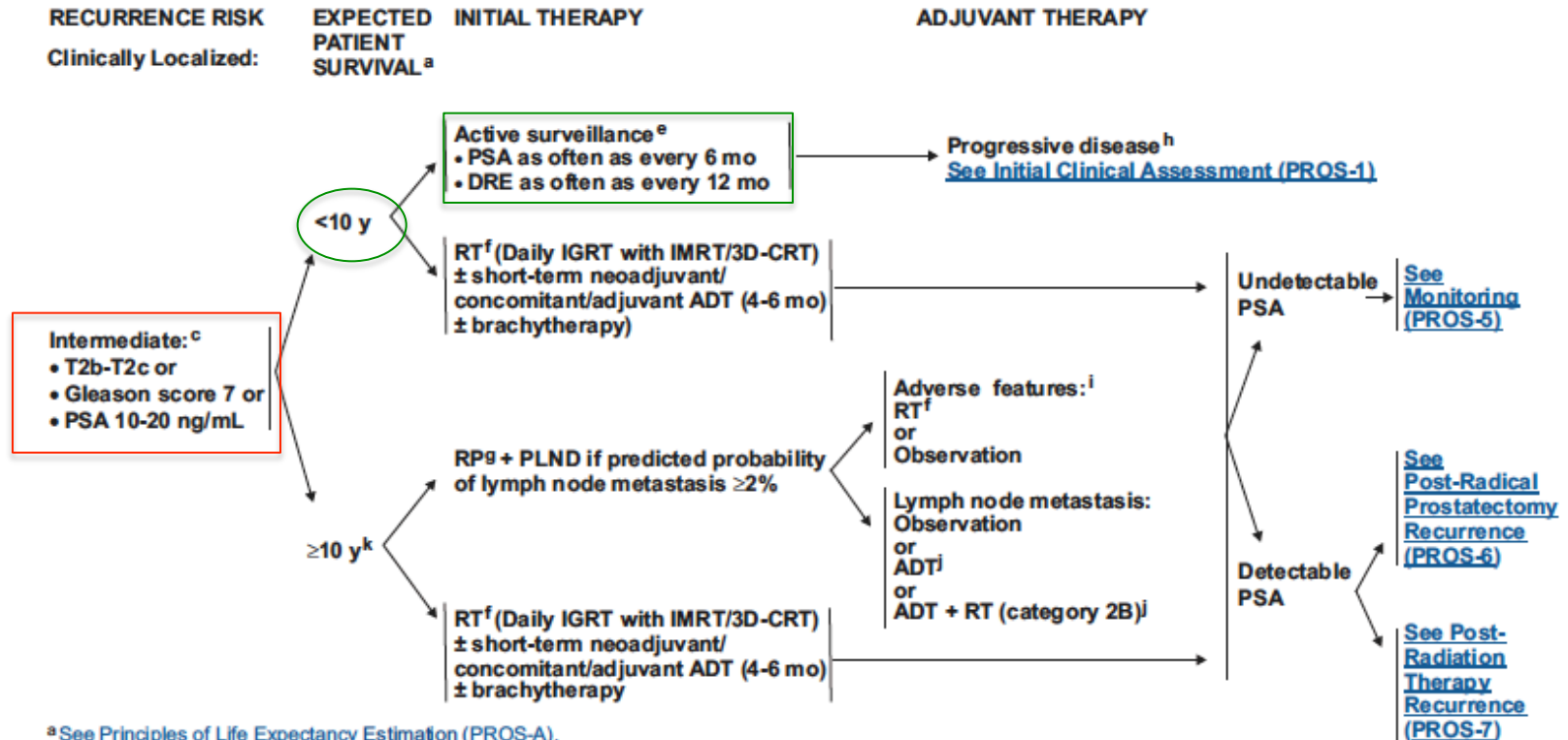
<sup>g</sup>See Principles of Surgery (PROS-D).

<sup>h</sup>Criteria for progression are not well defined and require physician judgement; however, a change in risk group strongly implies disease progression.

<sup>i</sup>Adverse laboratory/pathologic features include: positive margins, seminal vesicle invasion, extracapsular extension, or detectable PSA.

<sup>j</sup>See Principles of Androgen Deprivation Therapy (PROS-E).

# Malattia clinicamente localizzata: indicazioni



<sup>a</sup> See Principles of Life Expectancy Estimation (PROS-A).

<sup>c</sup> Patients with multiple adverse factors may be shifted into the next highest risk group.

<sup>e</sup> Active surveillance involves actively monitoring the course of disease with the expectation to intervene if the cancer progresses. [See Principles of Active Surveillance \(PROS-B\)](#).

<sup>f</sup> See Principles of Radiation Therapy (PROS-C).

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<sup>j</sup> See Principles of Androgen Deprivation Therapy (PROS-E).

<sup>k</sup> Active surveillance of intermediate and high-risk clinically localized cancers is not recommended in patients with a life expectancy >10 years (category 1).

# Sorveglianza Attiva: selezione dei pazienti

## Insignificant Prostate Cancer and Active Surveillance: From Definition to Clinical Implications

Patrick J. Bastian<sup>a,\*</sup>, Ballentine H. Carter<sup>d</sup>, Anders Bjartell<sup>c</sup>, Michael Seitz<sup>a</sup>, Peter Stanislaus<sup>a</sup>, Francesco Montorsi<sup>e</sup>, Christian G. Stief<sup>a</sup>, Fritz Schröder<sup>b</sup> 2009



Study	Definition
Epstein et al [5] and Bastian et al [18]	Clinical stage T1c PSA density <0.15 ng/ml No Gleason pattern 4 or 5 <3 positive cores <50% cancer per core
D'Amico et al [22]	PSA level ≤10 ng/ml No Gleason pattern 4 or 5 Clinical stage T2a or lower
Dall'Era et al [13]	PSA level ≤10 ng/ml No Gleason pattern 4 or 5 Clinical stage T2a or lower
Patel et al [74]	PSA density <0.15 ng/ml <33% positive cores Clinical stage T3 or lower Gleason sum ≤7
Soloway et al [47]	Clinical stage T2 or lower PSA level <15 ng/ml No Gleason pattern 4 or 5 <50% cancer per two positive cores
Van den Bergh et al [72] (PRIAS)	Clinical stage T1c-T2b No Gleason pattern 4 or 5 PSA density <0.20 ng/ml PSA level <10 ng/ml Fewer than three positive cores
Van As et al [38]	Clinical stage T1-T2a Gleason sum ≤7 (3+4) PSA level <15 ng/ml <50% of biopsy cores positive
Dall'Era et al [14] (commonly used criteria)	Gleason sum 6 No Gleason pattern 4 or 5 PSA level <10 ng/ml and stable PSA kinetics ≤50% single core involvement ≤33% positive cores

PSA = prostate-specific antigen; PRIAS = Prostate Cancer Research International: Active Surveillance.

Protocolli attivi in INT



### PRIAS

- ✓ Stadio cT1c-T2a
- ✓ GPS 3+3=6 (< 3 core positivi)
- ✓ iPSA < 10 ng/ml
- ✓ PSAD < 0,20

### SAINT

- ✓ Stadio cT1c-T2a
- ✓ GPS 3+3=6 (< 25% dei campioni)
- ✓ iPSA < 10 ng/ml
- ✓ < 50% interessamento dei core

# Sorveglianza attiva: monitoraggio e criteri di uscita

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- **Follow-up:**

- Biopsia prostatica confermatrice a 6-12 mesi.
- Ripetizione della biopsia a cadenze programmate (es. 12 mesi JHU, 36 mesi PRIAS)
- PSA
- DRE

- **Criteri di uscita dalla sorveglianza attiva**

- Biopsie: upgrading  
upsizing (> 3 core biopsie positivi)
- PSA > 10 ng/ml → “there is no clear justification...”  
(Adamy (MSKCC) J Urol 2011)
- PSA DT < 3yrs → “significantly associated to disease reclassification” (Bull M. et al. Eur Urol ,2011)

“PSADT ≤ 3 yrs as a flag for higher-risk disease” (Klotz L. et al. Curr Urol Rep, 2012)

- Progressione clinica di malattia

# Sorveglianza attiva: finestra di curabilità

Platinum Priority – Review – Prostate Cancer

Editorial by XXX on pp. x–y of this issue

## Timing of Curative Treatment for Prostate Cancer: A Systematic Review

Roderick C.N. van den Bergh<sup>a,b,\*</sup>, Peter C. Albertsen<sup>c</sup>, Chris H. Bangma<sup>d</sup>, Stephen J. Freedland<sup>e</sup>, Markus Graefen<sup>f</sup>, Andrew Vickers<sup>g</sup>, Henk G. van der Poel<sup>b</sup>



ahead of print

Review comprendente 17 studi retrospettivi e non randomizzati (34517 pts)

### Conclusioni:

- ✓ Il dilazionamento del trattamento di mesi o anni non sembra impattare sull'outcome dei pazienti con neoplasia prostatica in classe di rischio bassa
- ✓ Dati limitati suggeriscono che il dilazionamento del trattamento può avere un impatto nei pazienti affetti da un tumore non in bassa classe di rischio
- ✓ Necessità di biopsia confermatrice per individuare quei pazienti affetti da malattia aggressiva inizialmente misconosciuta.

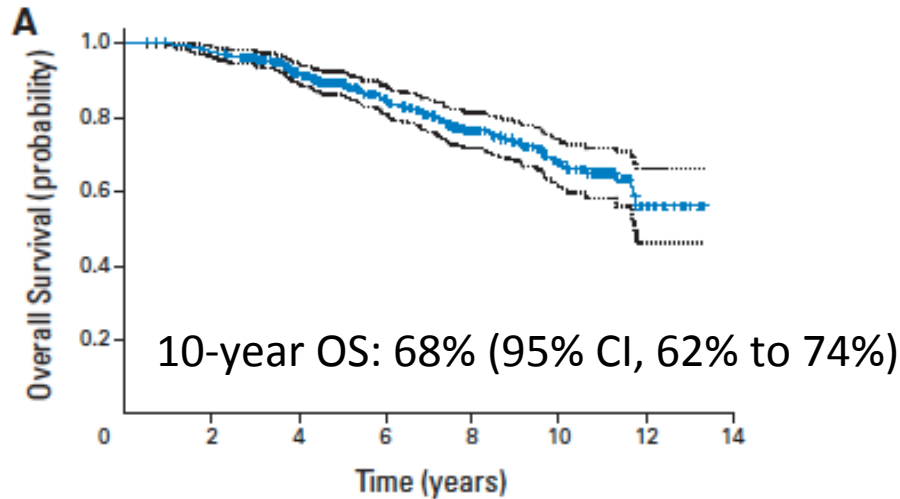
# Sorveglianza attiva: outcome

## Clinical Results of Long-Term Follow-Up of a Large, Active Surveillance Cohort With Localized Prostate Cancer

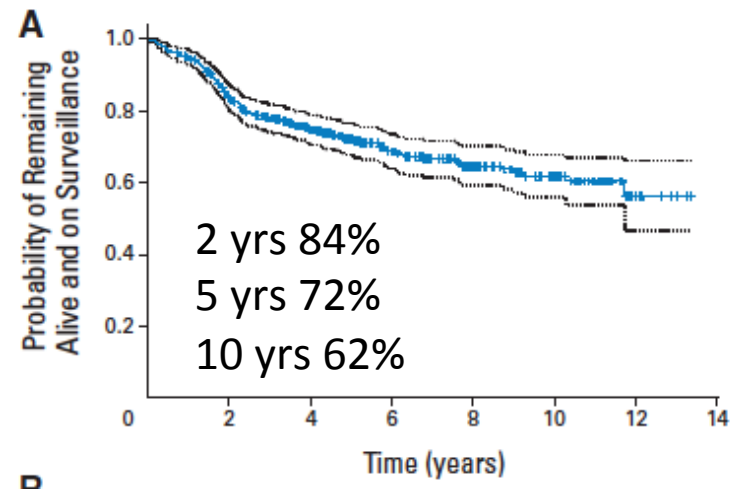
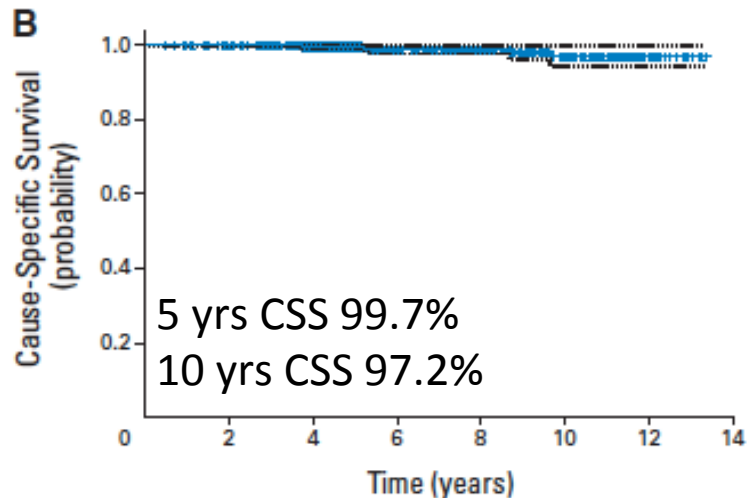
Laurence Klotz, Liying Zhang, Adam Lam, Robert Nam, Alexandre Mamedov, and Andrew Loblaw

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2010



450 pazienti  
Età media 70,3 anni  
FU medio 6,8 yrs  
17% pts GPS 3+4  
12% pts PSA  $\geq$  10 ng/ml



**B**



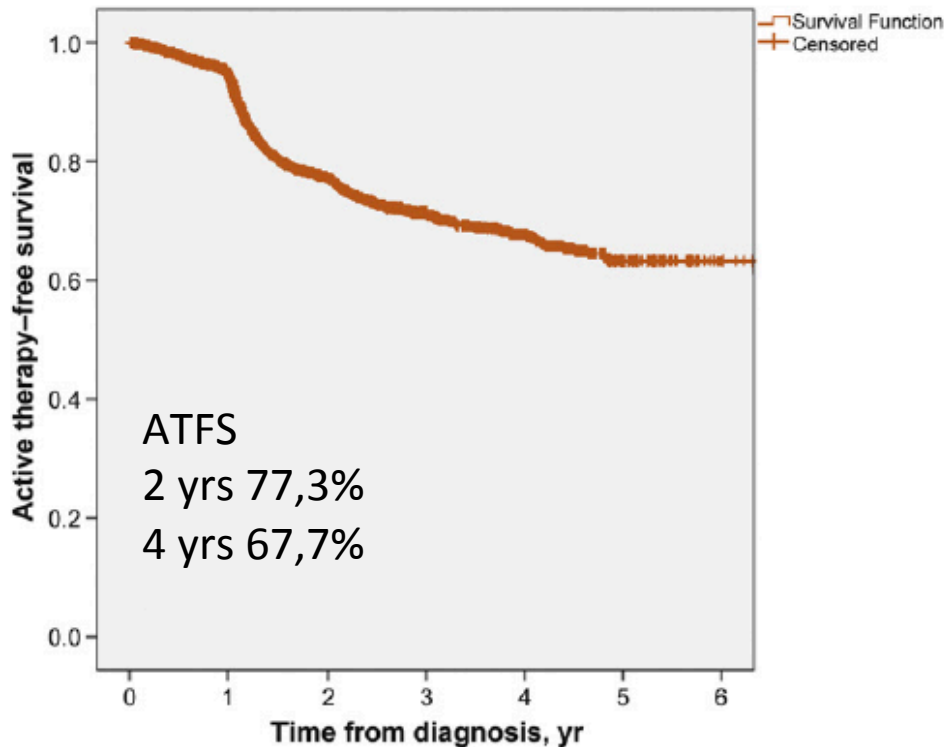
# Sorveglianza attiva: outcome

## Active Surveillance for Low-Risk Prostate Cancer Worldwide: The PRIAS Study

Meelan Bul<sup>a,\*</sup>, Xiaoye Zhu<sup>a</sup>, Riccardo Valdagni<sup>b</sup>, Tom Pickles<sup>c</sup>, Yoshiyuki Kakehi<sup>d</sup>, Antti Rannikko<sup>e</sup>, Anders Bjartell<sup>f</sup>, Deric K. van der Schoot<sup>g</sup>, Erik B. Cornel<sup>h</sup>, Giario N. Conti<sup>i</sup>, Egbert R. Boevé<sup>j</sup>, Frédéric Staerman<sup>k</sup>, Jenneke J. Vis-Maters<sup>l</sup>, Henk Vergunst<sup>m</sup>, Joris J. Jaspars<sup>n</sup>, Petra Strölin<sup>o</sup>, Erik van Muilekom<sup>p</sup>, Fritz H. Schröder<sup>a</sup>, Chris H. Bangma<sup>a</sup>, Monique J. Roobol<sup>a</sup>



2013



2494 pts; FU medio 1,6 yrs

Predittori di riclassificazione alla prima rebiopsia:

- ✓ PSADT (<3yrs)
- ✓ 2 core positivi alla precedente biopsia
- ✓ PSAD

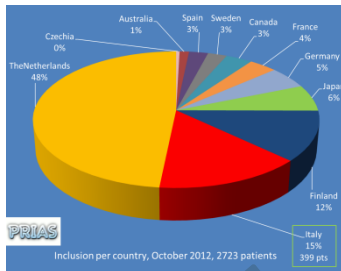
Predittori di uscita alla rebiopsia:

- ✓ PSAD
- ✓ Numero di core positivi (2 vs 1)

## PRIAS

Da Marzo 2005

**Sorveglianza attiva INT : 167 pts**



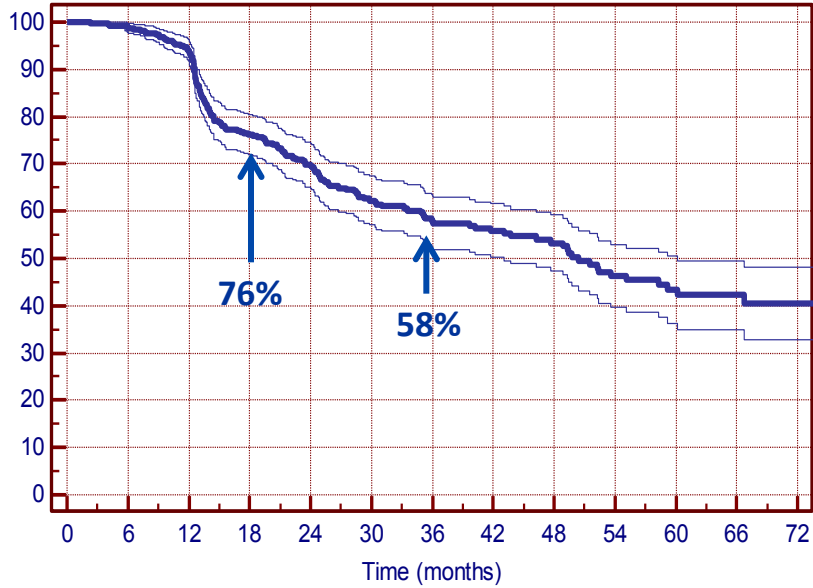
Settembre 2007 – Febbraio 2013

**PRIAS: 287 pts**

**Ancillary studies:**

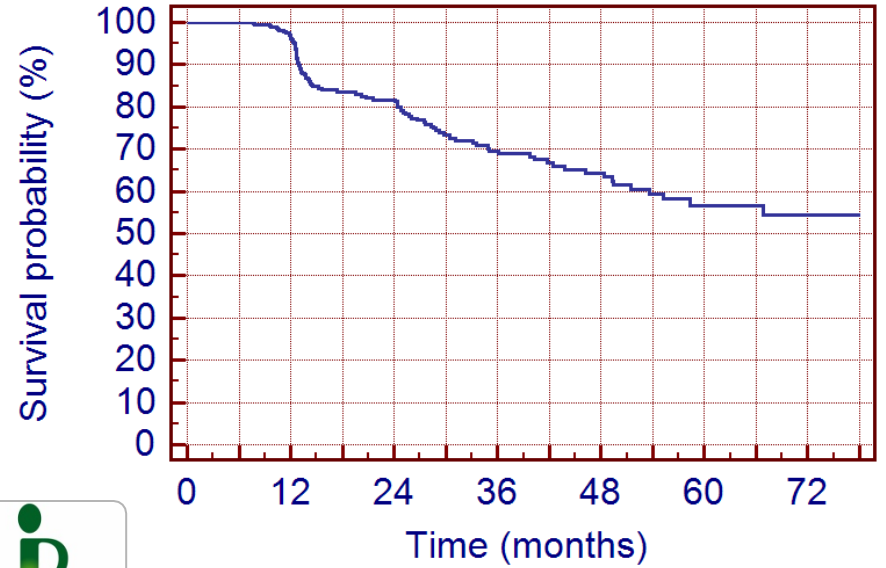
- ✓ PROCABIO (biomarkers): 169 pts
- ✓ Hormonal/genetic characterization: 160 pts
- ✓ Quality of Life: 286 pts

Active Treatment Free Survival  
All causes

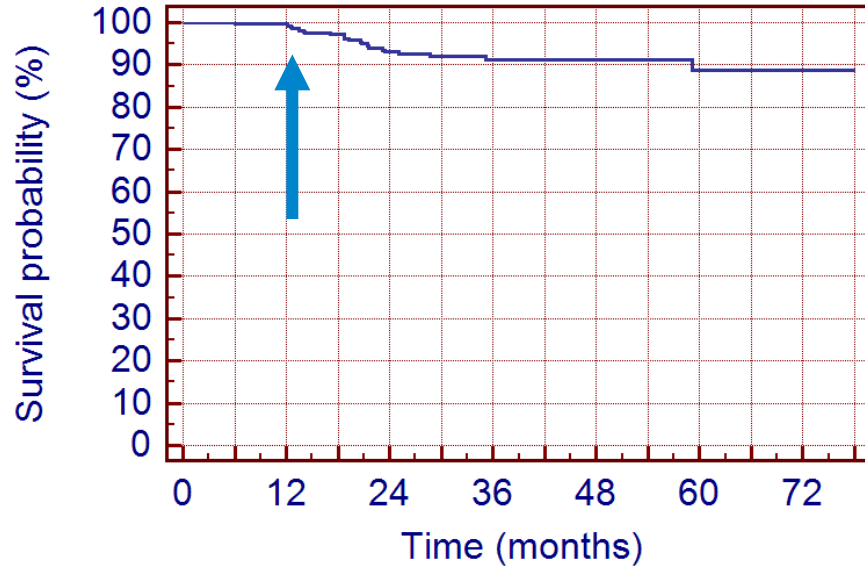


Number at risk  
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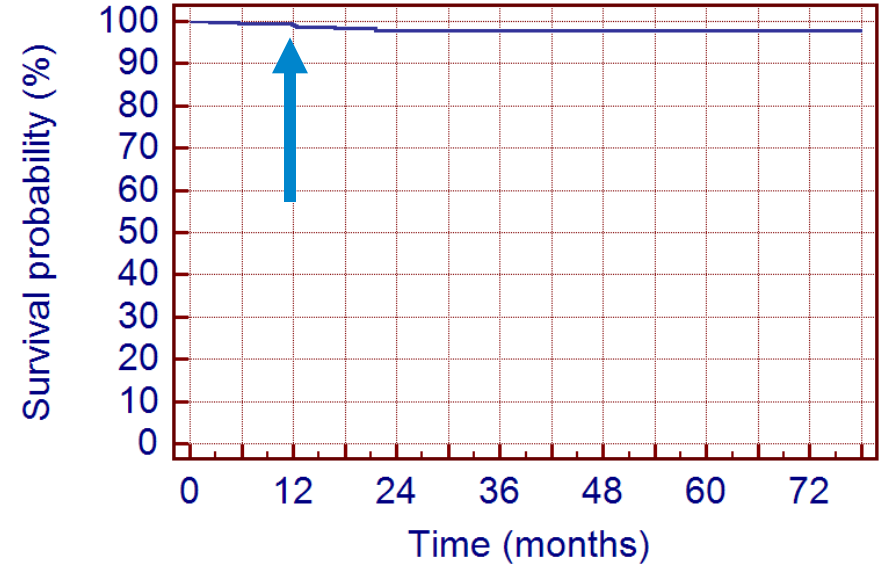
Active Treatment Free Survival  
(biopsy related)



(PSA related)



Active Treatment Free Survival  
(anxiety related)



# Sorveglianza attiva: outcome

Author		Median FU (mos)	Pts still on AS (%)
Roemeling (Netherland)	2006	41	71% 5-ys
Dall'Era (San Francisco)	2008	43	76%
Stattin (Sweden)	2010	120	nr
Klotz (Toronto)	2010	82	62% 10-yr
Soloway (Miami)	2010	44	73%
Adamy (MSKCC)	2011	22	65%
Tosoian (JHU)	2011	32	66%
Ischia (PRIAS Australia)	2012	nr	62% 5-yr
Bul (PRIAS)	2012	19	68% 4-yr
Valdagni (unpub, 2013)	2013	37	58% 3-yr
Thomsen (Danmark)	2013	41	60% 5-yr
Godman (Sweden)	2013	72	63% 6-yr
Selvadurai (Royal Marsden)	2013	68	70% 5-yr



# Cancer Specific Survival (CSS)

		<b>N of pts</b>	<b>median age / f-up (mos)</b>	<b>CSS (%)</b>
Roemeling (Netherland)	2006	278	70 / 41	<b>100 - 8yr</b>
Khatami (Sweden)	2007	270	64 / 63	100
Dall'Era	2008	321	63 / 43	100
Van As	2008	326	67 / 22	100
Eggerer	2009	262	64 / 29	100
Klotz (Toronto)	2010	450	70 / 82	<b>97.2 - 10yr</b>
Soloway (Miami)	2010	230	63 / 44	100
Adamy (MSKCC)	2011	238	64 / 22	100
Tosoian (JHU)	2011	769	66 / 32	100
Valdagni (INT-Mi, unpub)	2012	423	66 / 36	100
Ischia (PRIAS Australia)	2012	154	63/nas	100
Bul (PRIAS,accepted EuUrol,) 2012		2454	66 / 19	100

# 20 yrs-PCa Mortality

## Prostate Cancer Mortality following Active Surveillance versus Immediate Radical Prostatectomy

Jing Xia<sup>1</sup>, Bruce J. Trock<sup>4</sup>, Matthew R. Cooperberg<sup>6</sup>, Roman Gulati<sup>1</sup>, Steven B. Zeliadt<sup>2</sup>, John L. Gore<sup>3</sup>, Daniel W. Lin<sup>3</sup>, Peter R. Carroll<sup>6</sup>, H. Ballentine Carter<sup>5</sup>, and Ruth Etzioni<sup>1</sup>

Clinical  
Cancer  
Research

Projection based on CAPSURE and J. Hopkins database (5202 pts)

**Results:** The model projected that 2.8% of men on active surveillance and 1.6% of men with immediate radical prostatectomy would die of their disease in 20 years. Corresponding lifetime estimates were 3.4% for active surveillance and 2.0% for immediate radical prostatectomy. The average projected increase in life expectancy associated with immediate radical prostatectomy was 1.8 months. On average, the model projected that men on active surveillance would remain free of treatment for an additional 6.4 years relative to men treated immediately.

**Conclusions:** Active surveillance is likely to produce a very modest decline in prostate cancer-specific survival among men diagnosed with low-risk prostate cancer but could lead to significant benefits in terms of quality of life. *Clin Cancer Res; 18(19); 5471-8. ©2012 AACR.*

At 20 yrs: 36% of patients still on AS

# Qualità di vita

## Predictors of Health-related Quality of Life and Adjustment to Prostate Cancer During Active Surveillance

Bellardita et al. 2012



Bassa HRQoL:

- ✓ Mancanza di partner
- ✓ Stato mentale alterato
- ✓ Breve lasso di tempo tra diagnosi ed ingresso in sorveglianza attiva

Alta HRQoL:

- ✓ Presenza di un partner
- ✓ Influenza di più medici sulla scelta della sorveglianza attiva
- ✓ Biopsia diagnostica con > 18 core

Reason for choosing active surveillance	%
"I trusted what the physicians told me."	74
"To avoid side effects of the therapies and maintain my quality of life"	72
"I trust this cancer centre."	58
"You can always go back; it is a reversible option."	47
"Medical checks are frequent."	28
"I am comforted and satisfied with participating in a protocol."	13
"I found scientific papers about AS."	10
"I trusted what other people told me."	9
"I do not trust active therapies."	1

- Positive adjustment to cancer (anxiety due to the presence of an untreated cancer and to the idea of disease progression is low and decreases over time)
- Patients report very high level of physical, social and emotional wellbeing

# Uscite dalla sorveglianza attiva per ansia

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Uscite dalla sorveglianza attiva	Ansia
van den Bergh et al. 2009	1.6% (8/500)
Eggerer et al. 2009	5.3% (14/262)
Bellardita et al. (INT PRIAS) 2013	2% (6/293)
Valdagni et al (SAINT <sub>1-2</sub> and PRIAS) 2013	1.2% (7/454)



# Approccio multidisciplinare

## Multidisciplinary Care and Pursuit of Active Surveillance in Low-Risk Prostate Cancer

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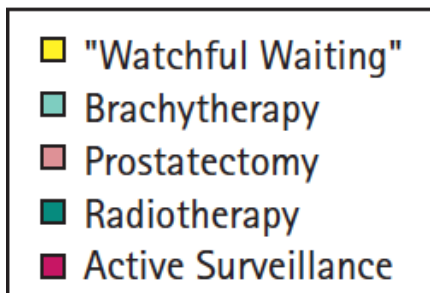
Aizer et al. 2012

“Crude rates of selection of active surveillance in patients seen at a multidisciplinary clinic were double that of patients seen by individual practitioners (43% v 22%), whereas the proportion of men treated with prostatectomy or radiation decreased by approximately 30% (P<.001)”

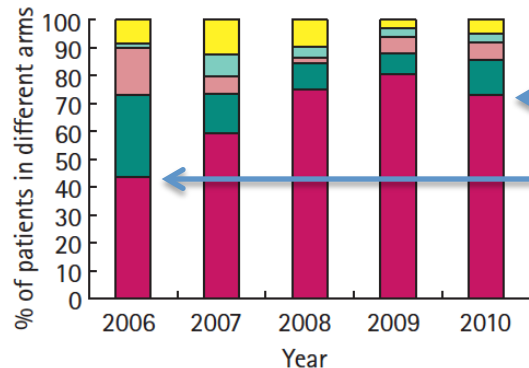
## The 6-year attendance of a multidisciplinary prostate cancer clinic in Italy: incidence of management changes



Magnani et al. 2012



Distribution of strategies in low risk PC patients



2010 → 73% AS

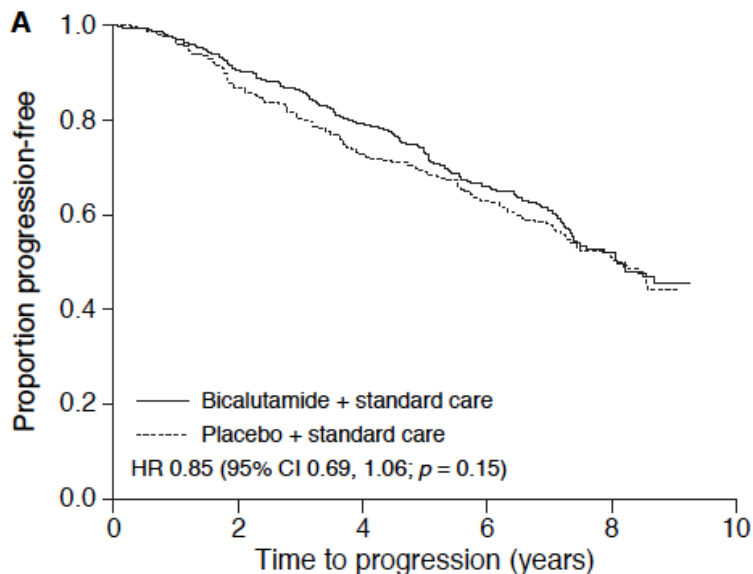
2006 → 44% AS

Ormonoterapia esclusiva ?

# Ormonoterapia esclusiva – a chi?

**Bicalutamide 150 mg in addition to standard care for patients with early non-metastatic prostate cancer: updated results from the Scandinavian Prostate Cancer Group-6 Study after a median follow-up period of 7.1 years**

Iversen et al. Scan J Urol Nephrol 2006



“ In patients with localized disease who would have otherwise undergone watchful waiting (n=631), bicalutamide showed a trend towards an increased risk of dying compared with those undergoing watchful waiting alone”

Antiandrogen monotherapy in patients with localized or locally advanced prostate cancer: final results from the bicalutamide Early Prostate Cancer programme at a median follow-up of 9.7 years

Iversen et al. BJUI 2010

“A similar lack of efficacy was reported for other antiandrogens, including nilutamide 150 mg and flutamide 250 mg in patients with localized disease, suggesting that antiandrogen therapy might be an inappropriate treatment for patients with localized prostate cancer”

## Survival Following Primary Androgen Deprivation Therapy Among Men With Localized Prostate Cancer

Lu-Yao G et al. JAMA, 2008

**Objective** To evaluate the association between PADT and survival in elderly men with localized prostate cancer.

**Results** Among patients with localized prostate cancer (median age, 77 years), 7867 (41%) received PADT, and 11 404 were treated with conservative management, not including PADT. During the follow-up period, there were 1560 prostate cancer deaths and 11 045 deaths from all causes. Primary androgen deprivation therapy was associated with lower 10-year prostate cancer-specific survival (80.1% vs 82.6%; hazard ratio [HR], 1.17; 95% confidence interval [CI], 1.03-1.33) and no increase in 10-year overall survival (30.2% vs 30.3%; HR, 1.00; 95% CI, 0.96-1.05) compared with conservative management. However, in a prespecified subset analysis, PADT use in men with poorly differentiated cancer was associated with improved prostate cancer-specific survival (59.8% vs 54.3%; HR, 0.84; 95% CI, 0.70-1.00;  $P=.049$ ) but not overall survival (17.3% vs 15.3%; HR, 0.92; 95% CI, 0.84-1.01).

**Conclusion** Primary androgen deprivation therapy is not associated with improved survival among the majority of elderly men with localized prostate cancer when compared with conservative management.

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## Does Primary Androgen-Deprivation Therapy Delay the Receipt of Secondary Cancer Therapy for Localized Prostate Cancer?

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**Background:** Despite evidence that shows no survival advantage, many older patients receive primary androgen-deprivation therapy (PADT) shortly after the diagnosis of localized prostate cancer (PCa).

**Objective:** This study evaluates whether the early use of PADT affects the subsequent receipt of additional palliative cancer treatments such as chemotherapy, palliative radiation therapy, or intervention for spinal cord compression or bladder outlet obstruction.

**Conclusions:** Early treatment of low-risk, localized PCa with PADT does not delay the receipt of subsequent palliative therapies and is associated with an increased use of chemotherapy.

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## Guidelines on Prostate Cancer

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Stage	Treatment	Comment	GR
T1a	Watchful waiting	Standard treatment for Gleason score $\leq 6$ and 7 adenocarcinomas and $< 10$ -year life expectancy.	B
	Active surveillance	In patients with $> 10$ -year life expectancy, re-staging with TRUS and biopsy is recommended.	B
	Radical prostatectomy	Optional in younger patients with a long life expectancy, especially for Gleason score $\geq 7$ adenocarcinomas.	B
	Radiotherapy	Optional in younger patients with a long life expectancy, in particular in poorly differentiated tumours. Higher complication risks after TURP especially with interstitial radiation.	B
	Hormonal	Not an option.	A
	Combination	Not an option.	C
T1b-T2b	Active surveillance	Treatment option in patients with cT1c-cT2a, PSA $< 10$ ng/mL, biopsy Gleason score $\leq 6$ , $\leq 2$ biopsies positive, $\leq 50\%$ cancer involvement of each biopsy.	B
		Patients with a life expectancy $< 10$ years.	
		Patients with a life expectancy $> 10$ years once they are informed about the lack of survival data beyond 10 years.	
		Patients who do not accept treatment-related complications.	
T1a-T2c	Radical prostatectomy	Optional in patients with pT1a PCa. Standard treatment for patients with a life expectancy $> 10$ years who accept treatment-related complications.	A
	Radiotherapy	Patients with a life expectancy $> 10$ years who accept treatment-related complications.	B
		Patients with contraindications for surgery.	
		Unfit patients with 5-10 years of life expectancy and poorly differentiated tumours (combination therapy is recommended; see below).	
	Brachytherapy	Low-dose rate brachytherapy can be considered for low risk PCa patients with a prostate volume $\leq 50$ mL and an IPSS $\leq 12$ .	B
	Hormonal	Symptomatic patients, who need palliation of symptoms, unfit for curative treatment.	C
Anti-androgens are associated with a poorer outcome compared to 'active surveillance' and are not recommended.		A	
Combination	For high-risk patients, neoadjuvant hormonal treatment and concomitant hormonal therapy plus radiotherapy results in increased overall survival.	A	

# Conclusioni – Sorveglianza attiva, vigile attesa, ormonoterapia esclusiva: a chi?

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## ✓ **Sorveglianza attiva:**

- Proposta alternativa in pazienti fit per trattamenti attivi (chirurgia o radioterapia)
- Pazienti in bassa classe di rischio attentamente selezionati
- Complianti con la necessità di effettuare controlli clinici, di PSA e re-biopsie a cadenze predefinite.
- Adeguata aspettativa di vita

## ✓ **Vigile attesa:**

- Pazienti in classe di rischio bassa/intermedia
- Unfit per comorbidità a trattamenti attivi o con breve aspettativa di vita

## ✓ **Ormonoterapia esclusiva:**

- Non indicazione elettiva in questa tipologia di pazienti

**GRAZIE PER L'ATTENZIONE!**