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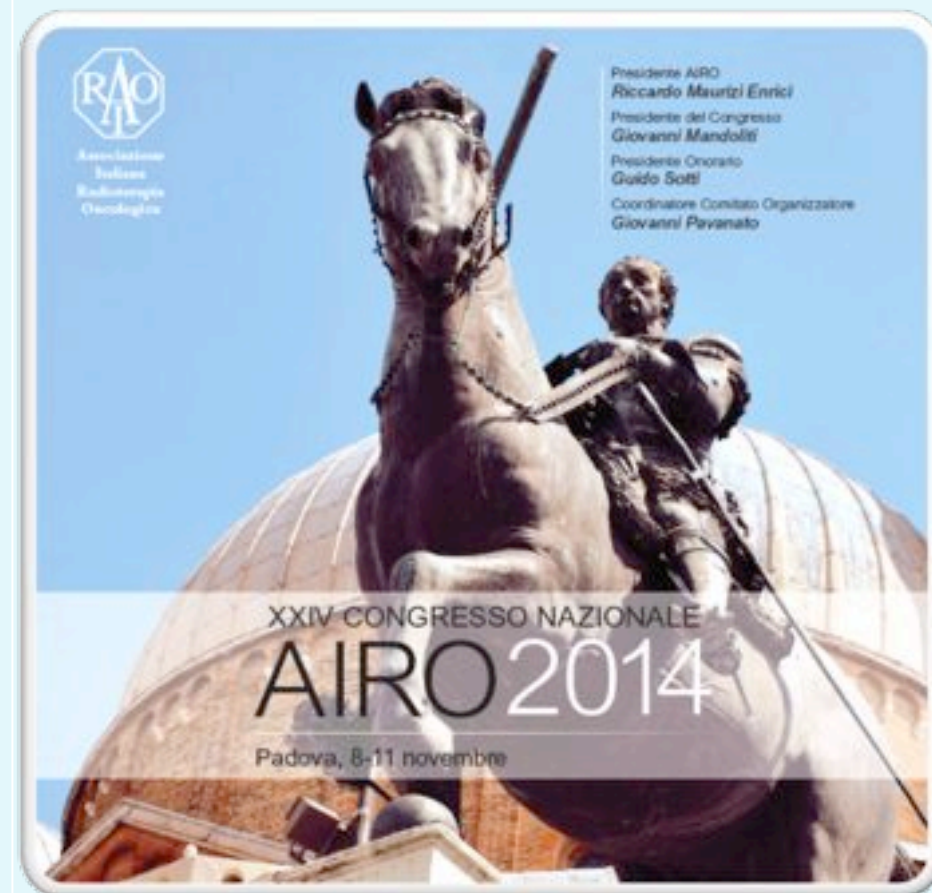
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**Radioterapia stereotassica esclusiva  
vs. irradiazione panencefalica  
più boost simultaneo  
nelle metastasi cerebrali:  
valutazione degli outcomes clinici**

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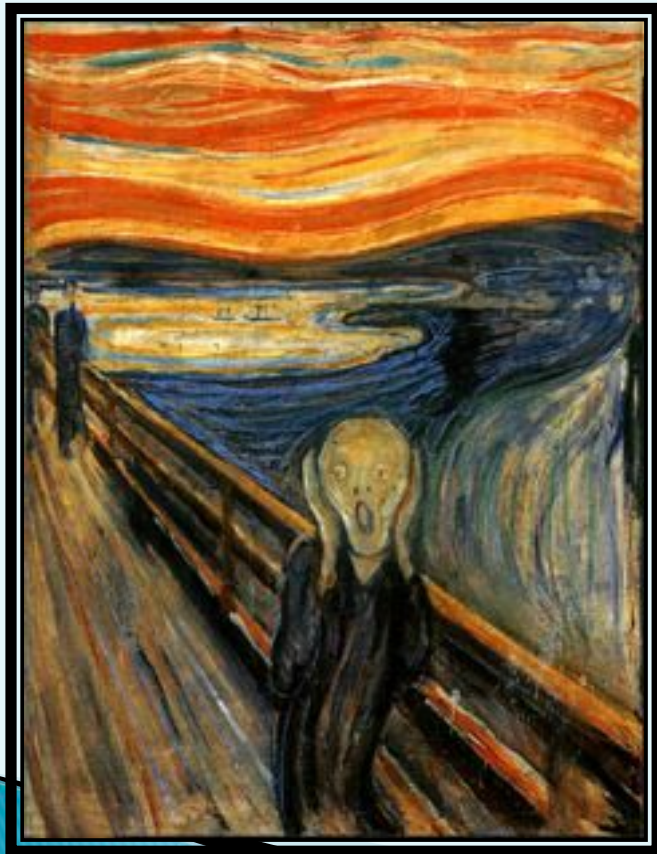
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# Background

- ❖ It is estimated that 20% - 40% of cancer patients will develop brain metastases during the course of their illness
- ❖ Historically treatment for patients with brain metastatic disease has been palliative: steroids plus whole brain radiotherapy (WBRT)



Outcome is poor



Median survival following WBRT alone: 3–4 months regardless of primary tumor histology (SCLC excepted)

# Background



KPS  $\geq$  70  
Oligometastatic brain disease  
Controlled extracranial disease



Suitable for more aggressive  
multimodality therapies

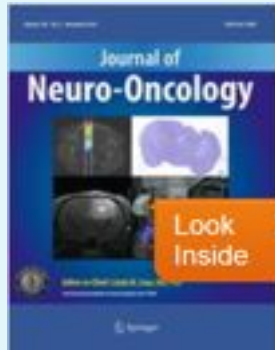


Treatment options:

- Surgical resection
- Radiosurgery (SRS, SRT)



# LITERATURE REVIEW



## The role of stereotactic radiosurgery in the management of patients with newly diagnosed brain metastases: a systematic review and evidence-based clinical practice guideline

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### SRS + WBRT vs WBRT

**LEVEL I** - SRS + WBRT improved survival for single brain metastases with KPS >70

**LEVEL II** - SRS + WBRT improved local tumor control and functional status for 1-4 brain metastases, KPS >70

**LEVEL III** - SRS + WBRT improved survival for 2-3 brain metastases.

### SRS +WBRT vs SRS

**LEVEL II** - SRS alone gives equal survival advantage but decreased risk of distal recurrences with addition of WBRT

### SRS vs WBRT

**LEVEL III** - SRS alone is superior to WBRT alone in patients with 1-3 brain metastases with survival advantage

# Methods and Materials



January 2008 - May 2014

- 59 patients
- mean age 62 yr (range 34-82)
- 53% of the patients  $\geq 65$  yr

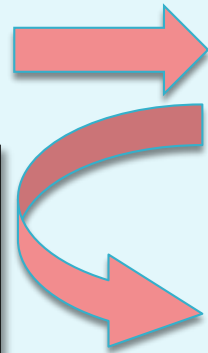
✧ Brain MRI consistent with mts

✧ Diameter  $\leq 3$ cm

✧ No previous cranial RT

Characteristics	SIB (n=16)	SRT alone (n=43)
Age (mean) range	62 (34-71)	(38-82)
< 65	11	17
$\geq 65$	6	26
Gender		
M	8	25
F	8	18
RPA		
Class 1	4	11
Class 2	12	32
Primary disease		
lung	9	19
GI	2	8
breast	2	4
melanoma	1	3
kidney	1	6
Lesion number		
1	7	31
2	5	10
3	4	2

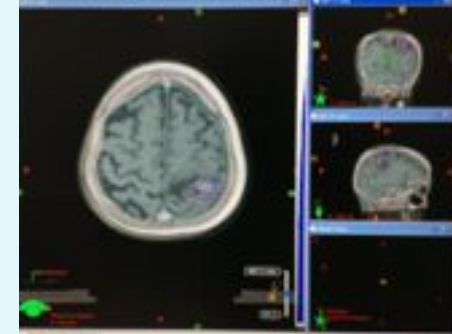
# Treatment preparation



TC 3 mm + MRI coregistrated

GTV contrast-enhancing tumor on T1-weighted MRI

PTV = GTV + 3-5 mm

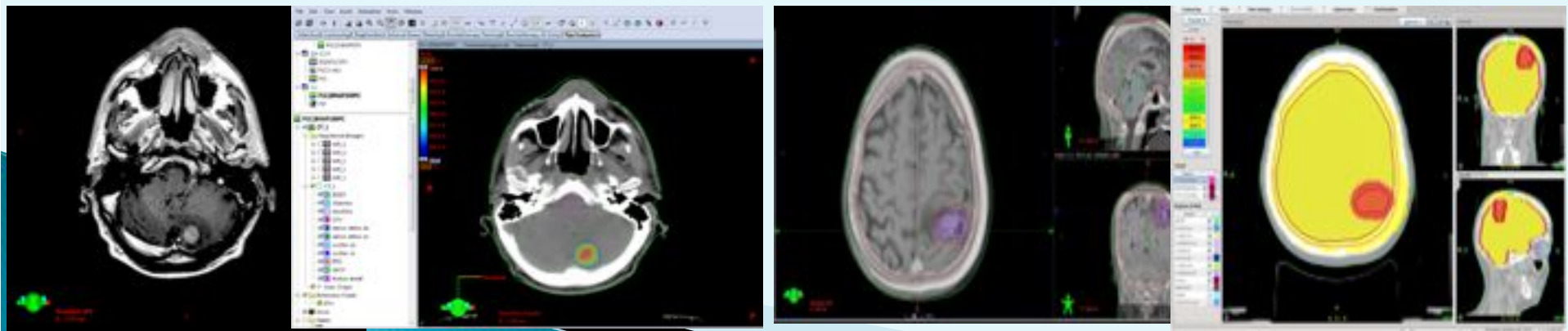


SRT

Total dose 24 Gy prescribed to the 80% isodose, delivered in 3 consecutive fractions

SIB

Total dose 30 Gy to WBRT and 60 Gy to M+ delivered in 10 consecutive fractions



# Results



## Outcome in All patients

- Median survival time = 10 mo, 1 yr actuarial survival rate of 59%
- 1 yr LC rate = 85%
- Cause of death: extracranial PD 76%, intracranial PD 16%, other 8%
- At univariate analysis the prognostic factors correlated with a good prognosis were:

**Age:** <65 yrs vs >65 yrs → 1 yr OS 65% vs 50% (p=0.04)

**Histology of primary site:** breast vs others → 1 yr OS 75% vs 35% (p=0.02)

**KPS:** < 70 vs > 70 → 30 % vs 70% (p=0.03)

RPA	N. Patients	OS -Median Mths
Class 1	15	14
Class 2	44	7.4

*P=0.03*

N.Mts	N. Patients	OS -Median Mths
1	38	11
2-3	21	7.1

*P=0.04*

# Results



## Outcomes SRT vs SIB

- 1 yr local control rate:

SIB - 89%  
SRT - 73%

- Median survival time:

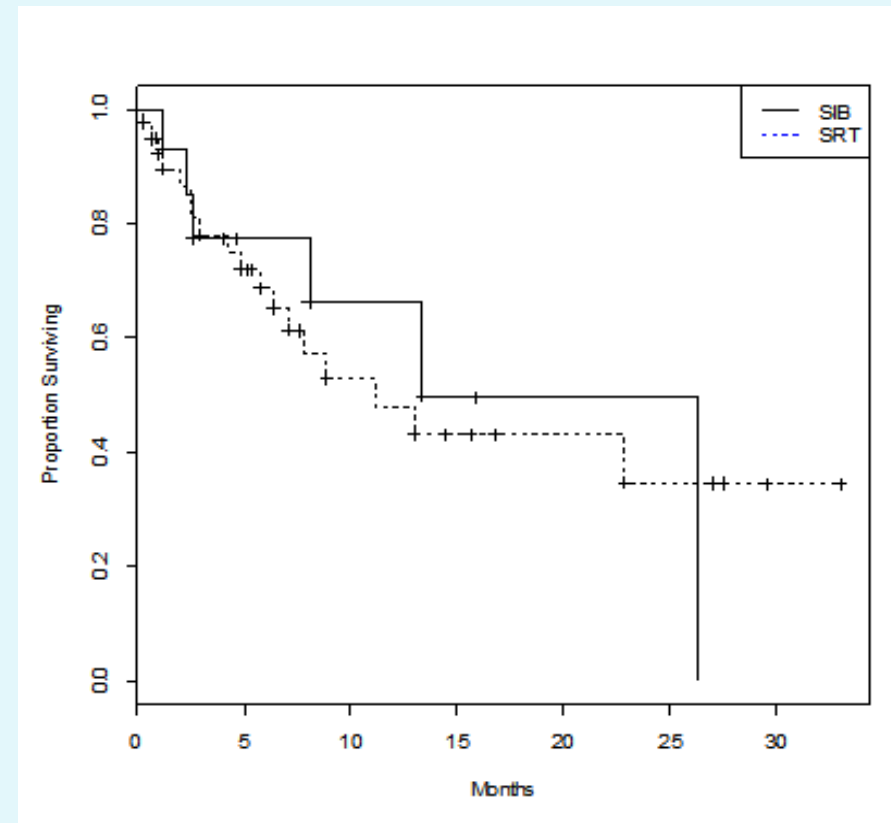
SIB - 10 months  
SRT - 9 months

- OS rate at 6 mths and 12 mths:

SIB - 77%, 68%  
SRT - 70%, 50%

- New brain lesions rate 12 mths:

SIB - 32%  
SRT - 59%



Log-rank  $p = 0.761$



# Toxicity

	SIB (n=16)				SRT (n=43)			
	G1	G2	G3	G4	G1	G2	G3	G4
ACUTE	1	1	0	0	2	2	1	0
SEIZURES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
OTHER	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
LATE	1	1	1	0	1	0	2	1
RADIATION NECROSIS	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
LEUKOENEP HALOPATHY	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Steroid use	7				12			

Female 51 aa, NSCLC

4 months after SRT → RC

FU 22 months

PD liver & lung

Alive

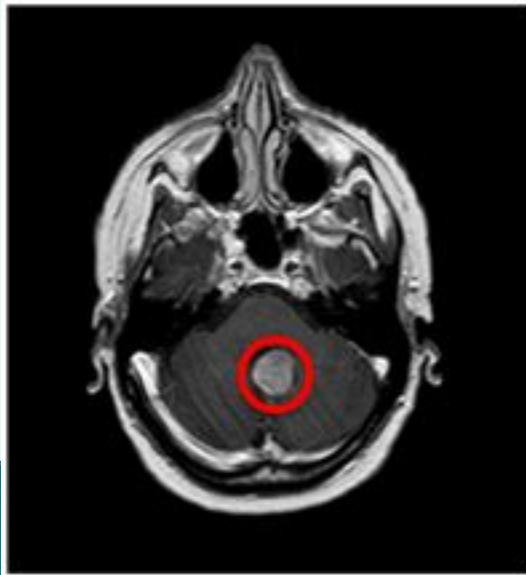


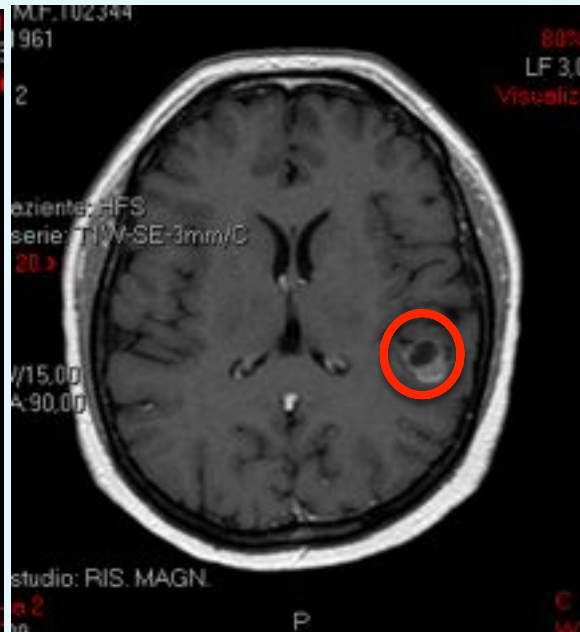
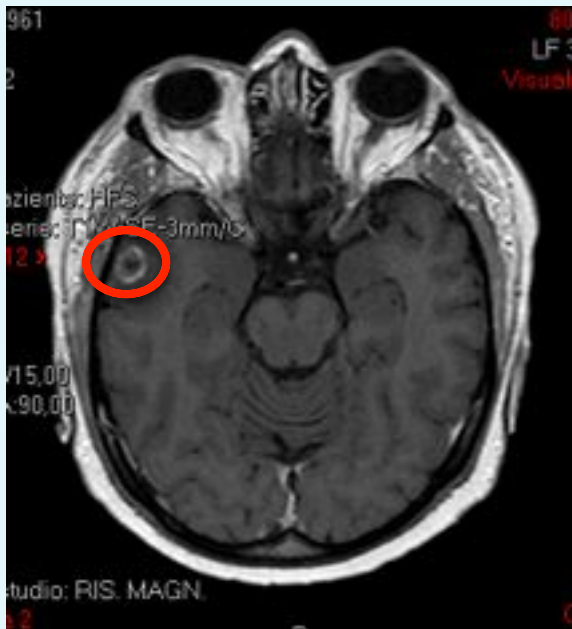
Female 40 aa, Ovarian Cancer

3 months after SRT → RP

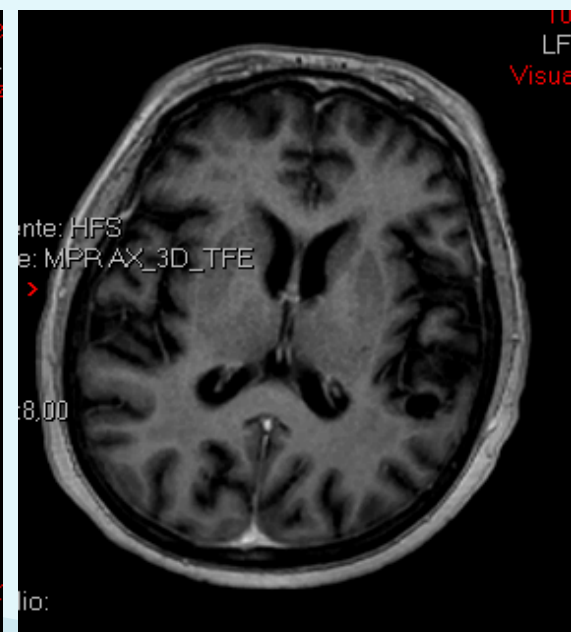
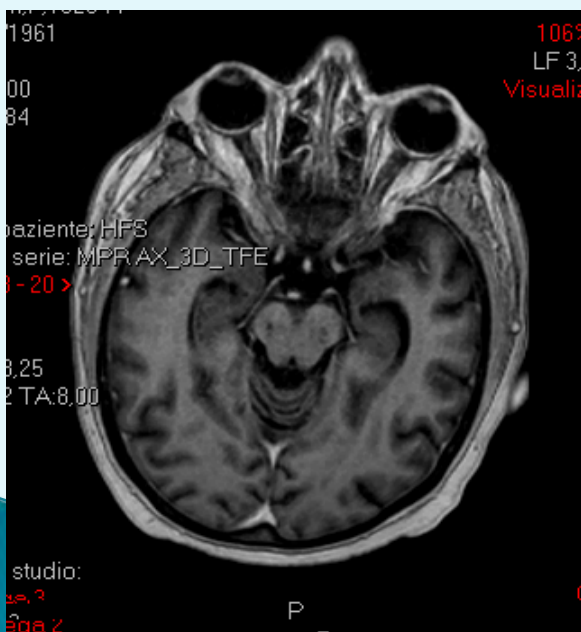
SD up to 14 months

Died of brain PD  
After 17 months  
from RT





Female 58 aa, Breast Cancer  
SIB



RC 4 Mths

Died of systemic disease  
after 19 months from RT

# Conclusion

- ▶ SIB increase the local control
- ▶ SIB decrease the new brain metastases rate
- ▶ No statistically significant difference in the 1-yr survival rate

Neurocognitive impairments ???

**Hippocampus sparing in  
whole-brain radiotherapy**  
A review

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