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**L'INNOVAZIONE TECNOLOGICA  
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E PROBLEMATICHE GESTIONALI**

Gazzada (VA), 29 Novembre 2014

# Polmone: lesioni periferiche e centrali

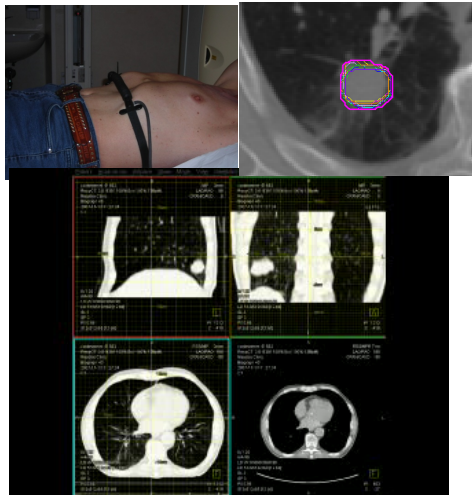
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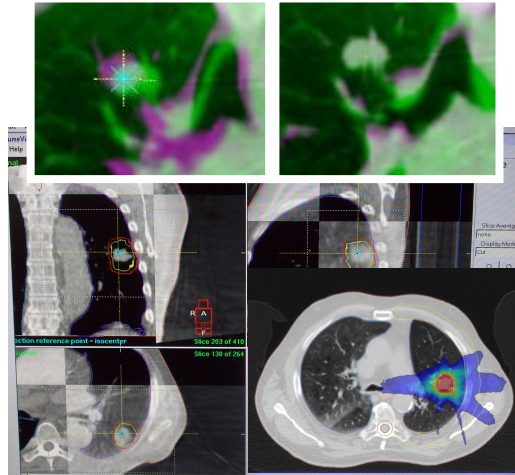
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A technique for delivering external beam radiotherapy

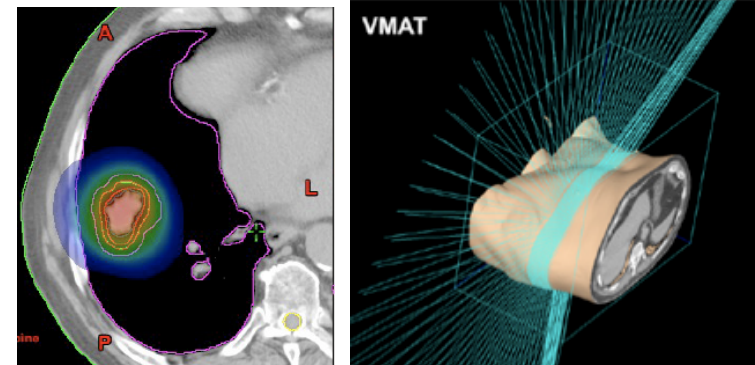
- i. with a high degree of accuracy to an extra-cranial target,
- ii. using high doses of irradiation,
- iii. in 1-8 treatment fractions.



4-D imaging



Sophisticated plans  
CT scan on treatment couch

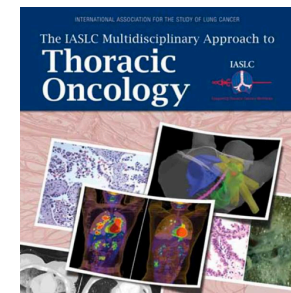


Delivery in <4 mins (FFF)

**S. Senan, M. Guckemberger, U. Ricardi**

Stage I NSCLC and oligometastatic disease

The IASLC Multidisciplinary approach to Thoracic Oncology, 2014

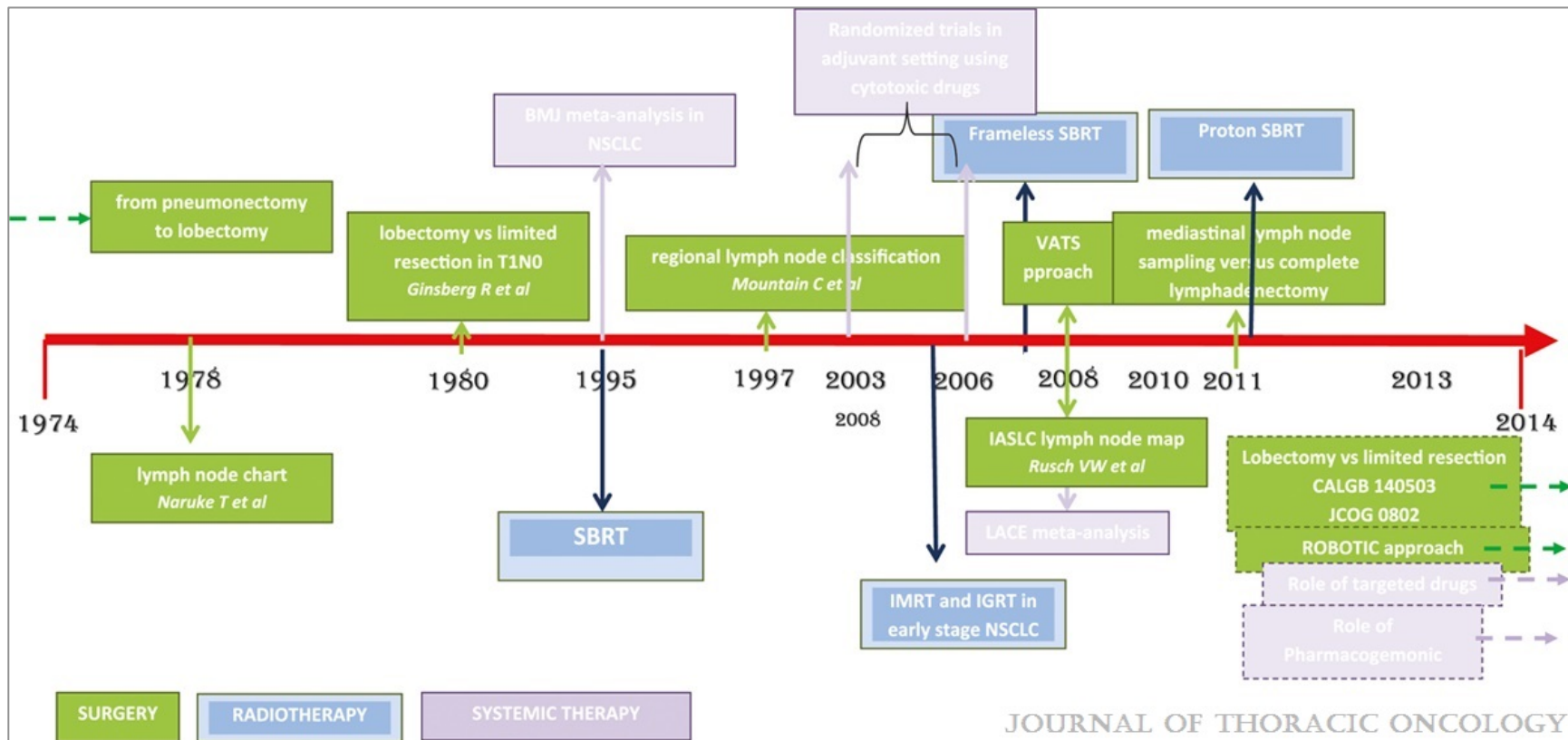


## Early-Stage Lung Cancer: 40s Anniversary

Novello, Silvia; Asamura, Hisao; Bazan, Jose; Carbone, David; Goldstraw, Peter; Grunenwald, Dominique; Ricardi, Umberto; Vansteenkiste, Johan

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# SABR for peripheral lung tumors

- ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines 2013: SABR is the non surgical treatment of choice (dose to a biologically equivalent tumor dose  $\geq 100$  Gy)
- NCCN guidelines (version 3.2014): non surgical treatment of choice

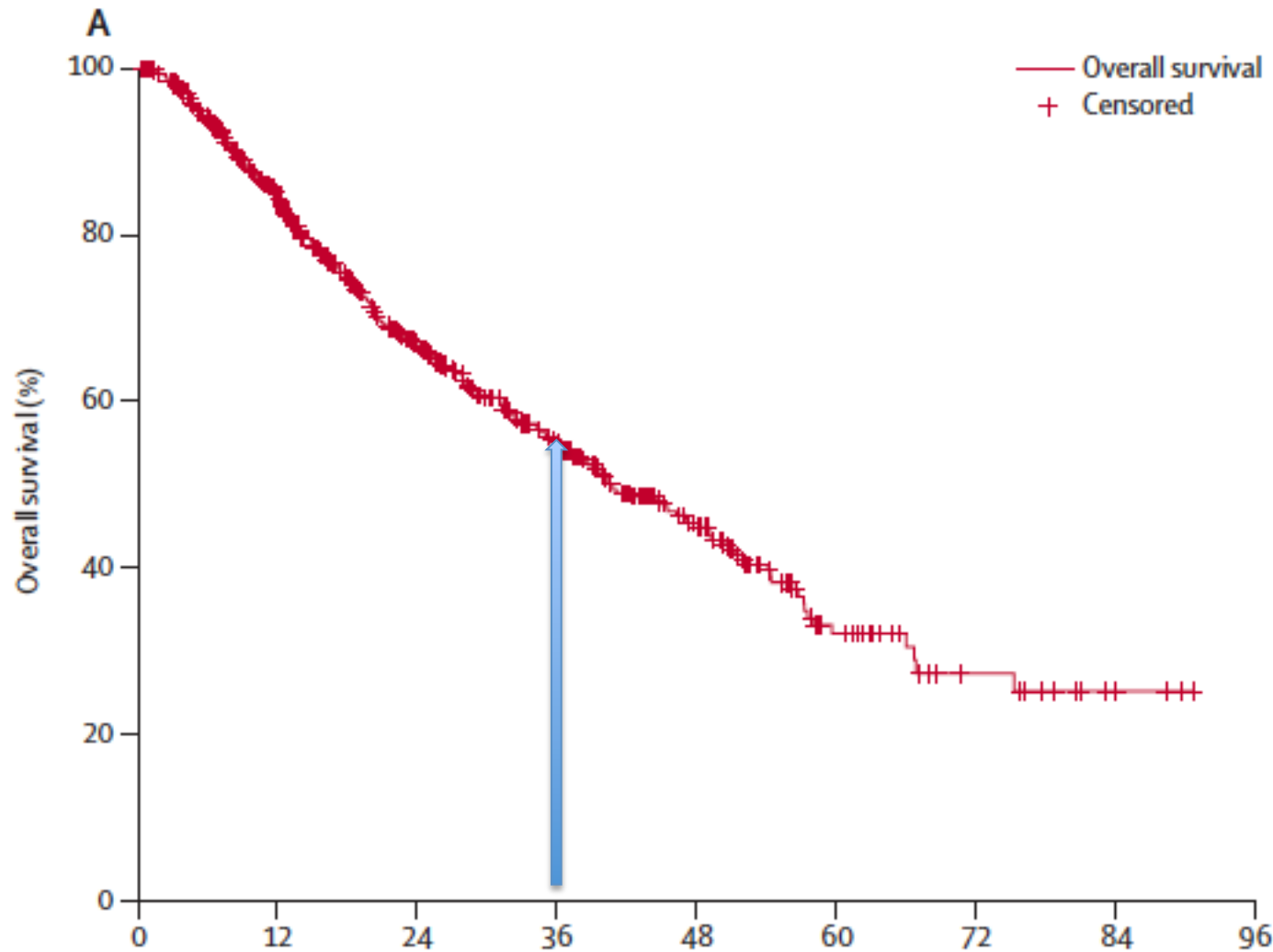
# SABR for Stage I NSCLC: phase II studies

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| <b>Table 1. Summary of Results of Recently Reported Prospective Trials of SBRT for Stage I NSCLC</b>  |   |                        |  |                         |   |
|---|---|------------------------|--|-------------------------|---|
| <b>Author (Year)</b>  | <b>Type/Stage</b>   | <b>No. of Patients</b> | <b>Dose</b>                              | <b>Median Follow-up</b> | <b>Outcomes</b>   |
| Fakiris (Fakiris et al., 2009)  | Phase II/Medically inoperable T1-2N0M0 NSCLC                              | 70                     | T1: 20 Gy x 3<br>T2: 22 Gy x 3           | 50.2 months             | 3-year LC: 88.1%<br>3-year OS: 42.7%<br>3-year CaSS: 81.7%  |
| Baumann (Baumann et al., 2009)  | Phase II/Medically inoperable stage I NSCLC                               | 57                     | 15 Gy x 3 to 67%                         | 35 months               | 3-year LC: 92%<br>1-, 2-, and 3-year OS: 86%, 65%, and 60%<br>1-, 2-, and 3-year CaSS: 93%, 88%, and 88%<br>3-year PFS: 52% |
| Koto (Koto et al., 2007)  | Phase II/Stage I NSCLC  | 31                     | 15 Gy x 3 (45 Gy) and 7.5 Gy x 8 (60 Gy) | 32 months               | 3-year LC: 77.9% for T1 and 40% for T2<br>3-year OS: 71.7%<br>3-year CSS: 83.5%   |
| Ricardi (Ricardi et al., 2010)  | Phase II/Stage I NSCLC  | 62                     | 15 Gy x 3                                | 28 months               | 3-year LC: 87.8%<br>3-year CSS: 72.5%<br>3-year OS: 57.1%   |
| Timmerman (Timmerman et al., 2010)  | RTOG Phase II/ Medically inoperable T1-2N0M0 NSCLC (peripherally located) | 55                     | 18 Gy x 3                                | 34.4 months             | 3-year LC: 97.6%<br>3-year DFS: 48.3%<br>3-year OS: 55.8%   |
| Abbreviations: LC, local control; OS, overall survival; CSS, cause-specific survival; CaSS, cancer-specific survival; DFS, disease-free survival. |   |                        |  |                         |   |

Loo et al, Discovery Medicine 2011

# Mono-institutional largest study, with/without histological diagnosis

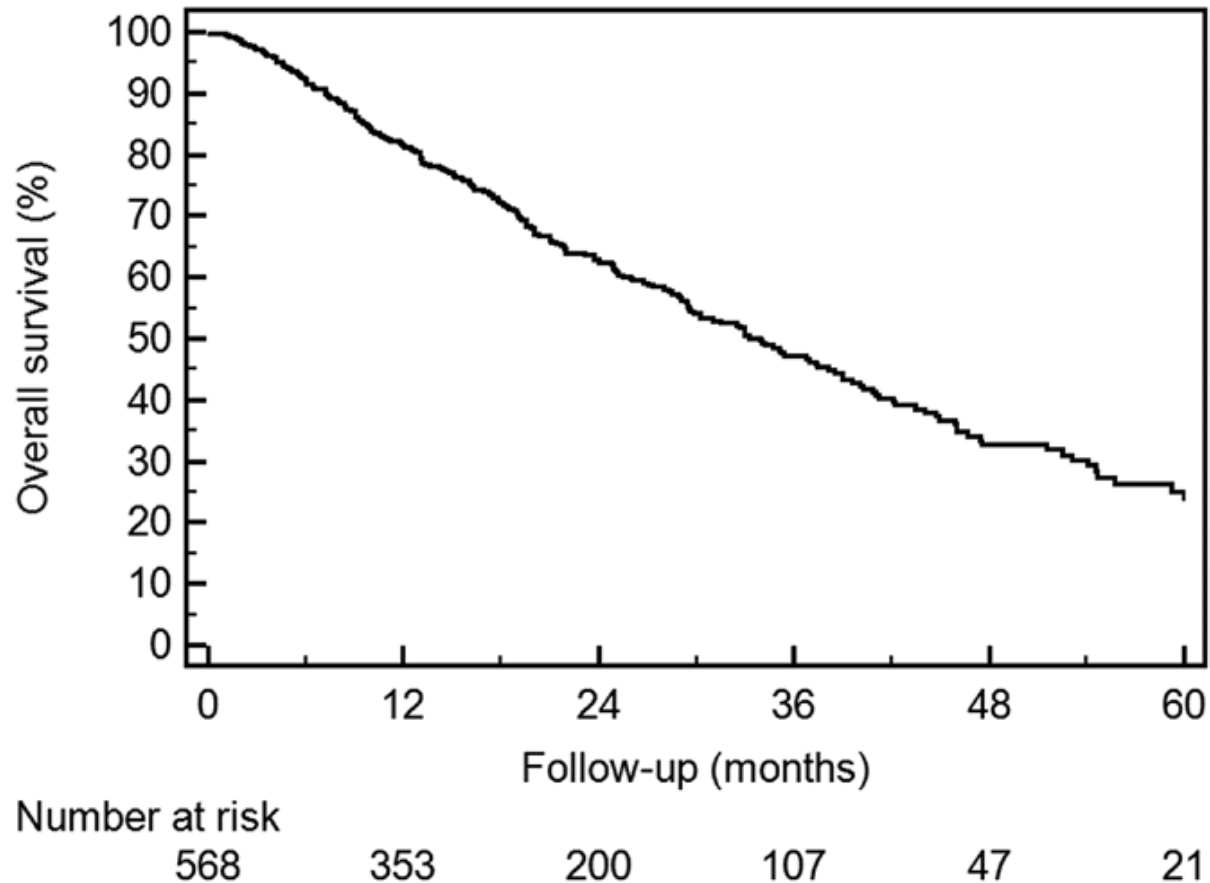


676 patients

Median follow-up time: 32.9 months

et al, Lancet Oncol 2012

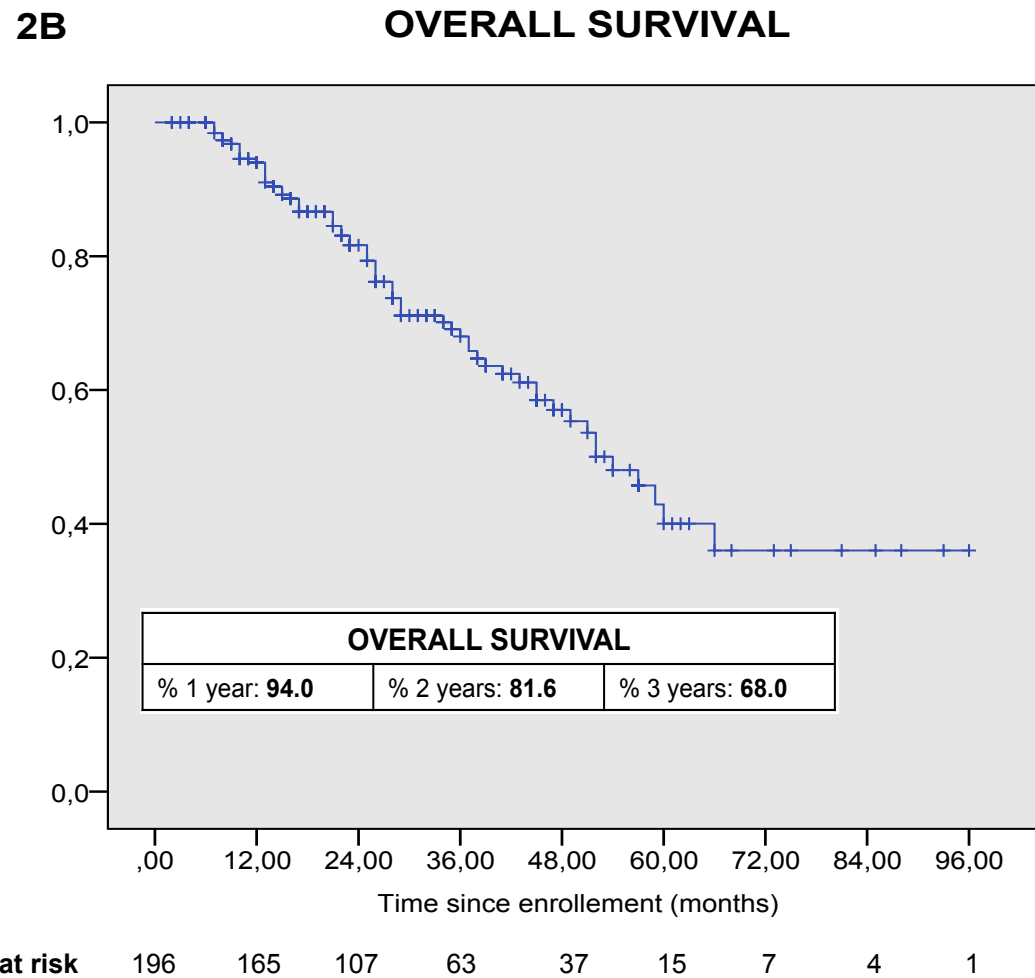
# German Society for Radiation Oncology (DEGRO) Observational Multicentric Study



**OS @3 years 47.1%**

[Guckenberger et al, JTO 2013]

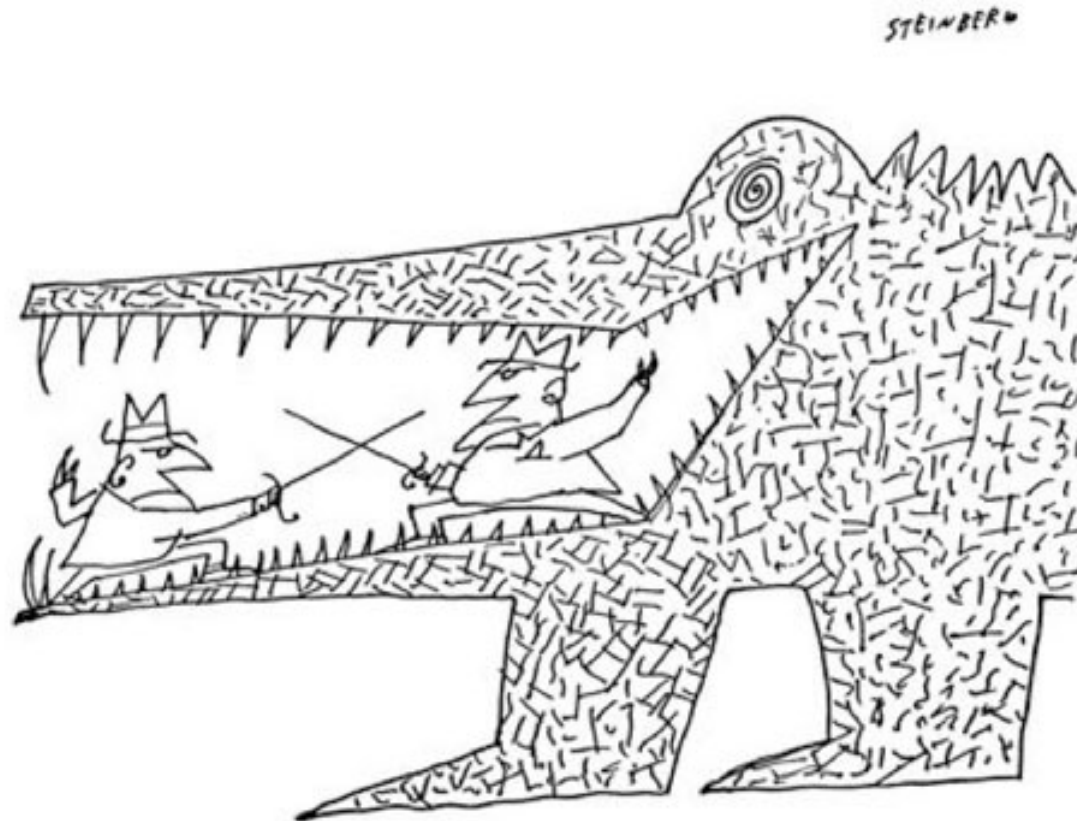
# SABR in stage I histologically proven NSCLC: an Italian multicenter observational study



Ricardi et al, Lung Cancer 2014



# SABR vs SURGERY: randomized trials?



# Trials of surgery versus SABR

**Table 1** – Approved Phase III Randomized Trials of Operable Stage I NSCLC Patients (all prematurely terminated due to poor accrual)

Dutch ROSEL trial, NCT00687986, “Randomized Clinical Trial of Stereotactic Radiotherapy or Surgery in Patients with Stage IA Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer who are fit to undergo Primary Resection”.

- Sponsored by the The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development.
- Opened at 9 centers
- Opened 2008, Closed 2010
- Enrolled 22 of 960

STARS Trial, NCT00840749, “Randomized Study to Compare CyberKnife to Surgical Resection in Stage I Non-small Cell Lung Cancer”

- Sponsored by Accuray®
- Opened at 15 centers
- Opened 2009, Closed 2013
- Enrolled 36 of 1,030 patients

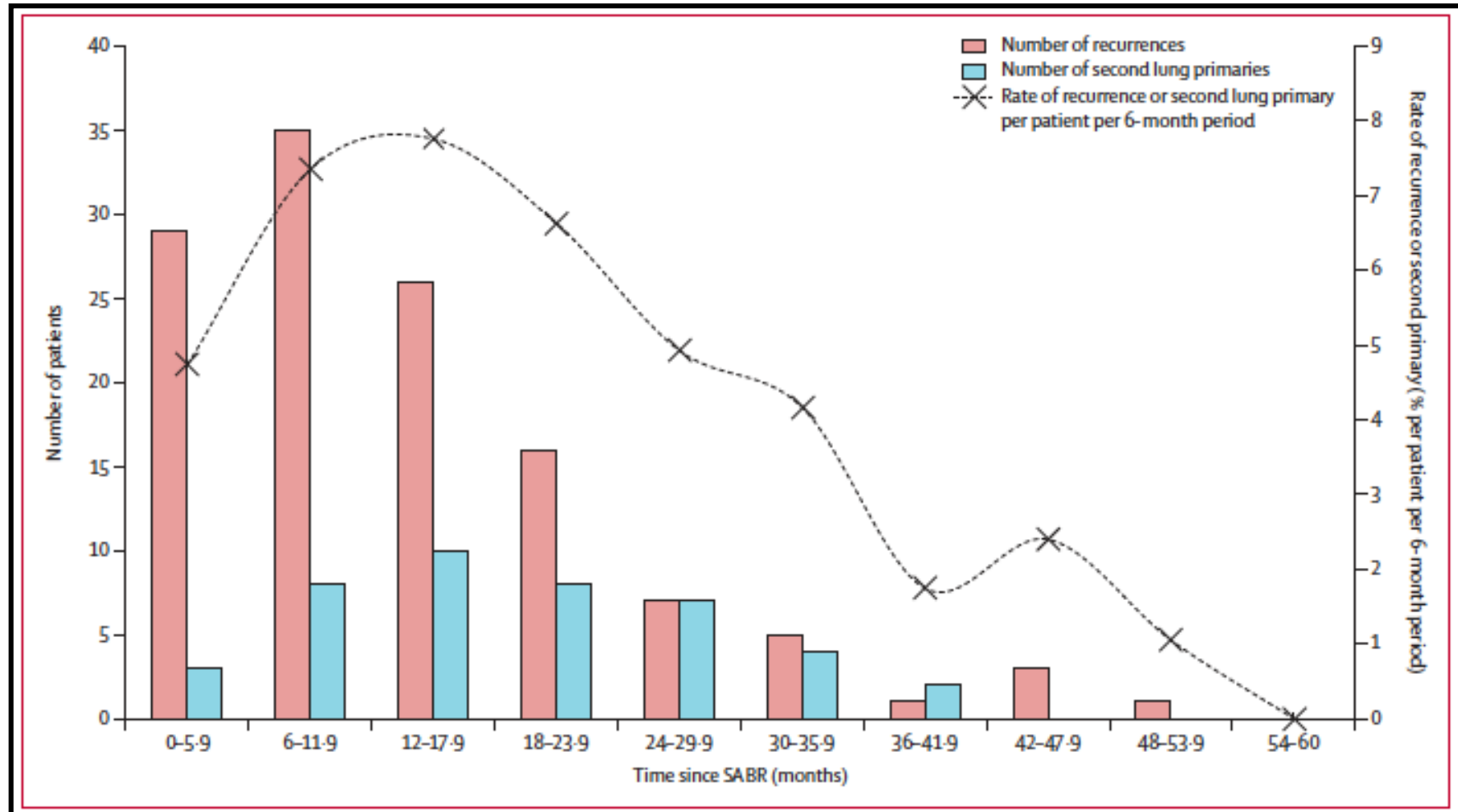
ACOSOG-Z4099/RTOG-1021, NCT01336894, “A Randomized Phase III Study of Sublobar Resection (+/- Brachytherapy) versus Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy in High Risk Patients with Stage I Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC)”

- Sponsored by American College of Surgeons
- Opened at 53 centers
- Opened 2011, Closed 2013
- Enrolled 10 of 420 patients

# SABR - surgical viewpoints

- Await results of randomized clinical trials
- **‘Late’ recurrences may be a problem**
- Upstaging occult nodal disease is beneficial
- SABR is “equivalent to a wedge excision”

# Time to distant failure



Senthi et al, Lancet Oncol 2012

# SABR - some surgical viewpoints

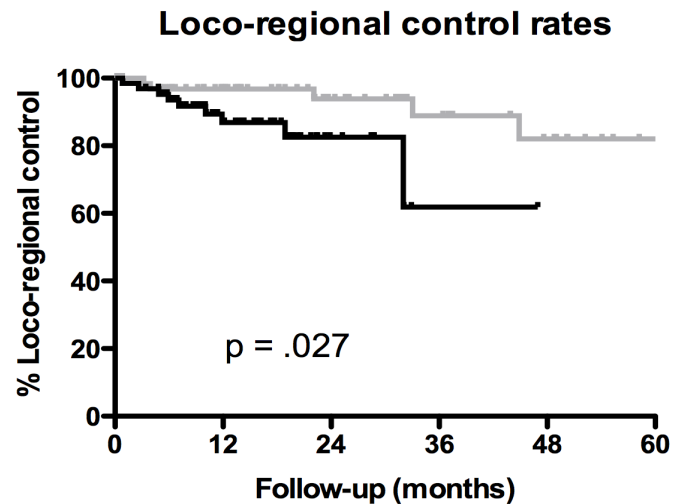
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# Stage I NSCLC: Recurrence patterns

Propensity score-matched analysis of stage I-II NSCLC treated using either SABR or VATS-lobectomy

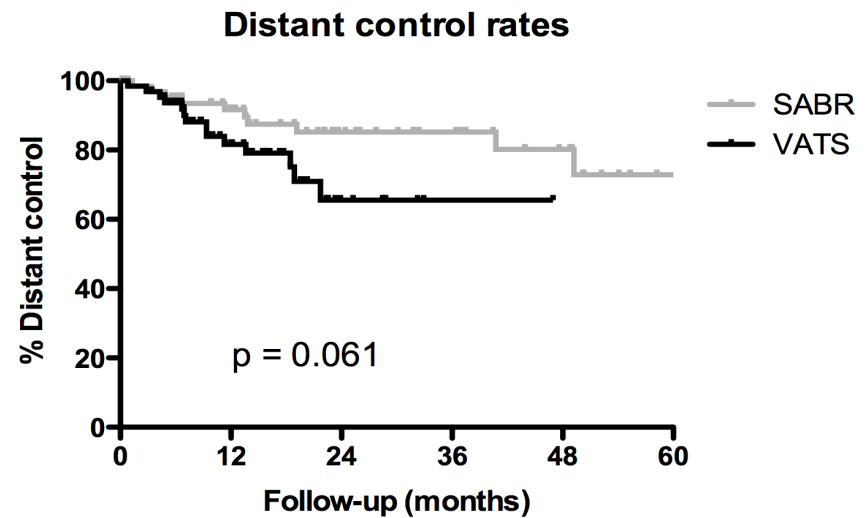
- 86 VATS-lobectomy and 527 SABR patients eligible
- Nodal staging in VATS group in accordance with ESTS guidelines
- Matching covariates:
  - *Gender*      - *Age*
  - *cTNM*        - *Tumor diameter*
  - *Histology*   - *Tumor location*
  - *FEV 1%*        - *WHO score*
  - *Charlson comorbidity*

# Propensity score-matched analysis



**Pts at risk**

|       |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|-------|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| SABR: | 64 | 48 | 28 | 18 | 11 | 3 |
| VATS: | 64 | 35 | 8  | 1  | 0  | 0 |

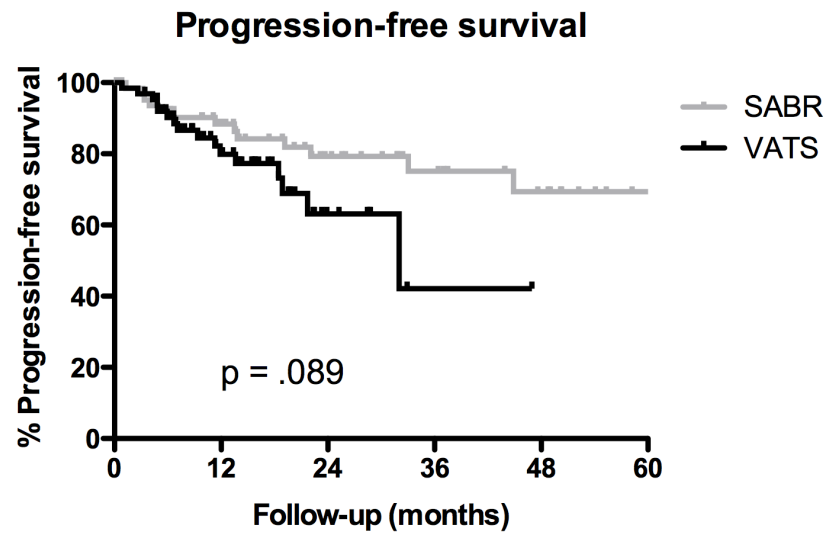


**Patients at risk**

|       |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|-------|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| SABR: | 64 | 48 | 29 | 21 | 13 | 4 |
| VATS: | 64 | 35 | 7  | 1  | 0  | 0 |

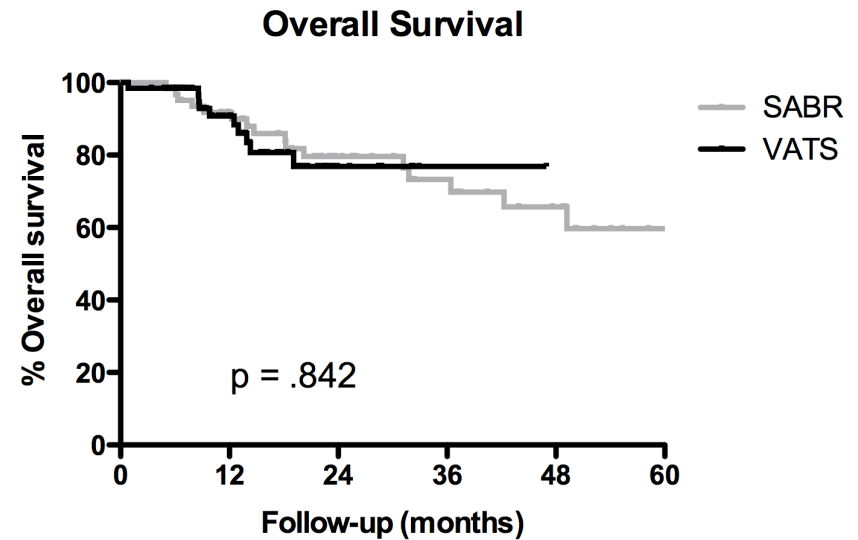
Verstegen et al, Annals of Oncology 2013

# Propensity score-matched analysis



**Pts at risk**

|              |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| <b>SABR:</b> | 64 | 46 | 27 | 18 | 11 | 3 |
| <b>VATS:</b> | 64 | 34 | 7  | 1  | 0  | 0 |



**Pts at risk**

|              |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| <b>SABR:</b> | 64 | 50 | 30 | 21 | 13 | 4 |
| <b>VATS:</b> | 64 | 40 | 8  | 1  | 0  | 0 |

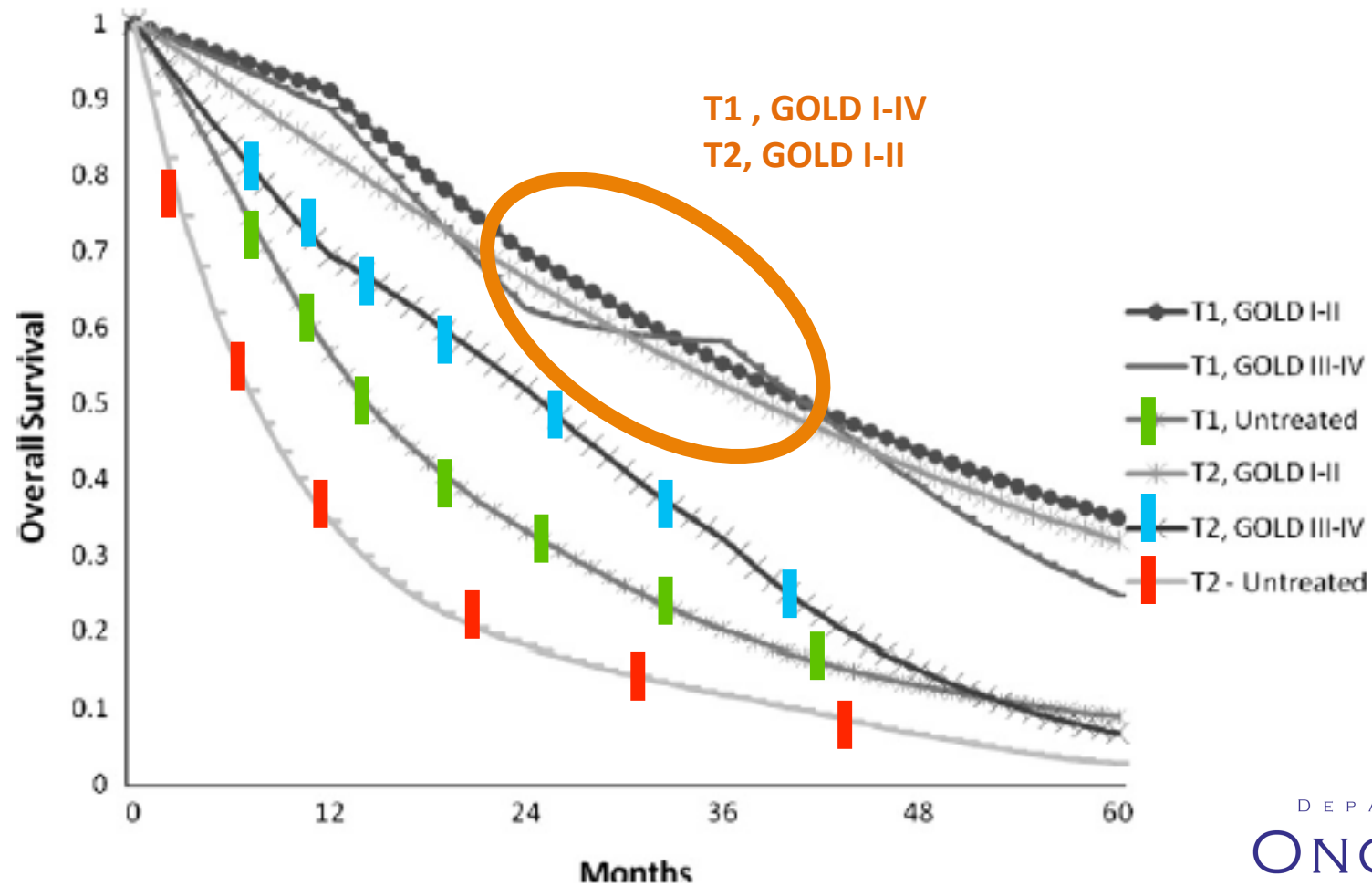
Verstegen et al, Annals of Oncology 2013



SBRT in lung cancer

Withholding stereotactic radiotherapy in elderly patients with stage I non-small cell lung cancer and co-existing COPD is not justified: Outcomes of a markov model analysis

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# Stage I-II NSCLC and severe COPD?

Systematic Review: Eligible patients had to have GOLD III-IV or a predicted postoperative FEV<sub>1</sub> of ≤40%

Table 3. Thirty-day mortality and complications associated with treatment of stage I NSCLC in patients with poor ventilatory function

| First author          | 30-day mortality  | Complications   |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| <b>Surgery</b>        |   |   |
| Magdeleinat (26)      | 8%*   | >90% admitted to ICU<br>>45% with complications (pneumonia, air leak, and arrhythmia most common) |
| Lau (19)              | 25% after open lobectomy*<br>7% for open segmentectomy or VATS procedure* | Median hospital stay 8–12 days<br><10% admitted to ICU  |
| <b>SBRT</b>           |   |   |
| Henderson (27)        | 0%*   | >69% with Grade 1 or 2 toxicity of some kind <sup>†</sup>   |
| Stephans (28)         | 0%*   | No Grade 3 or higher pneumonitis  |
| Palma (current study) | 0%  | 6 patients (3%) with Grade 3 toxicity   |

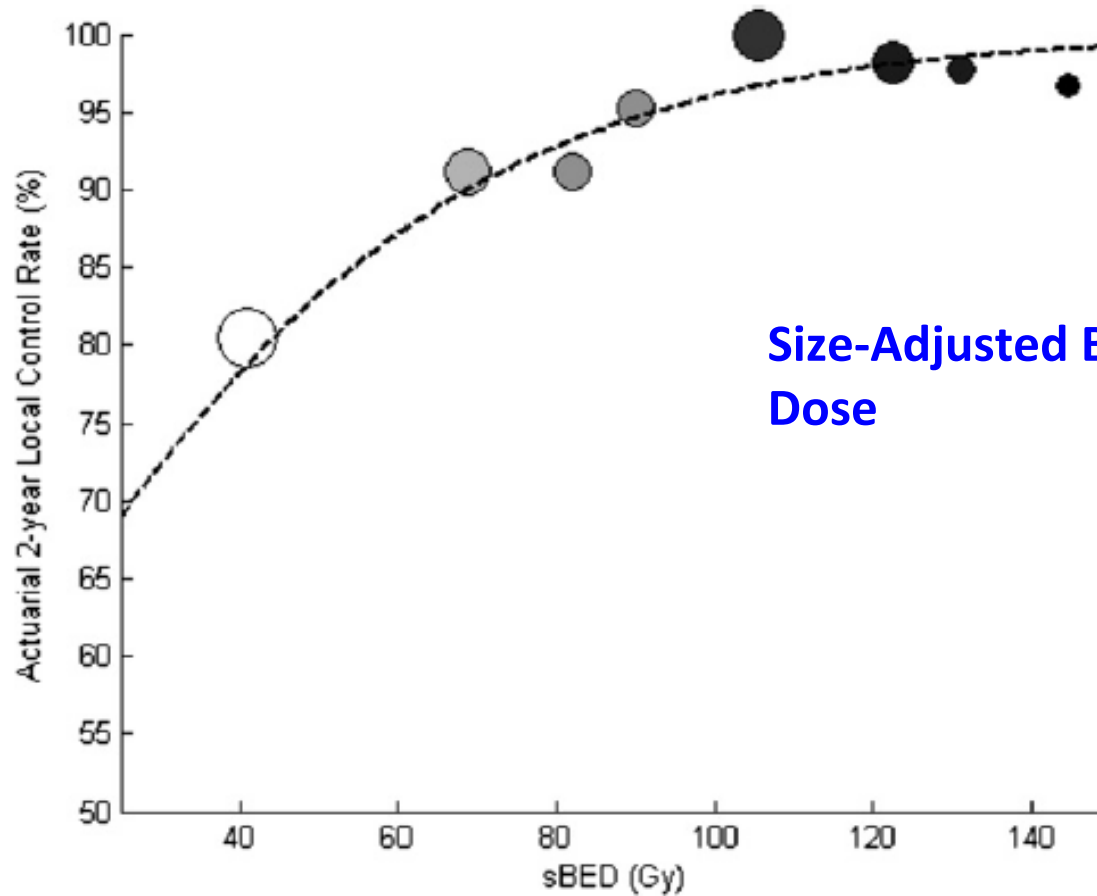
*Abbreviations:* ICU = intensive care unit; VATS = video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery.

\* Denotes values measured from Kaplan-Meier curves.

<sup>†</sup> 8% Grade 3–4 toxicity with some late deaths related to treatment of central tumors in larger Phase II study, but these rates not specified for subgroup with poor pulmonary function.

Palma D et al, IJROBP 2012

# Modeling Local Control After Hypofractionated Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy for Stage I Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: A Report From the Elekta Collaborative Lung Research Group



**Size-Adjusted Biologically Effective Dose**

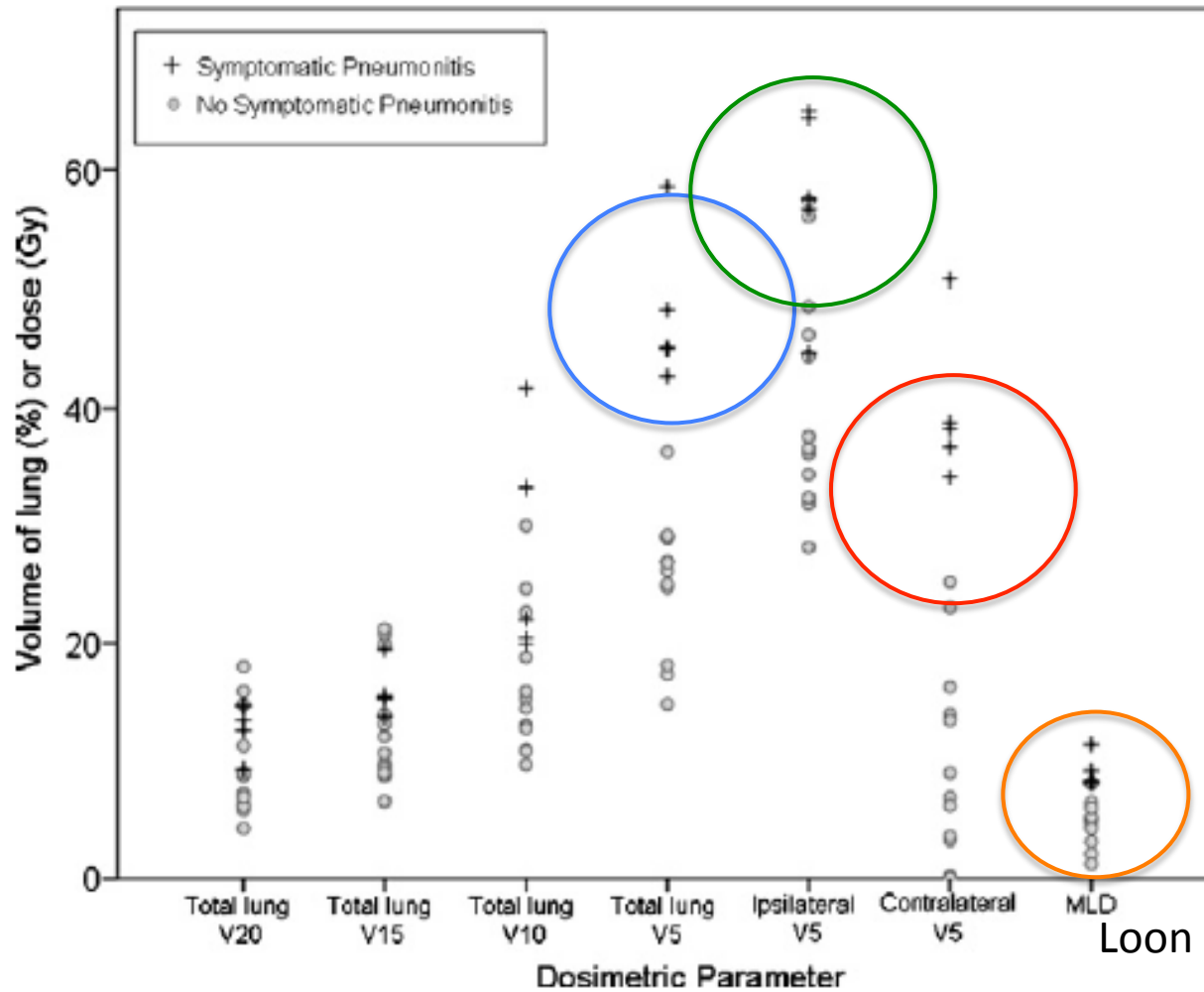
Ohri et al, IJROBP 2012

## Dose-response relationship at medium-high doses is essential for central and large tumors

| Institution                | Patient population | Prescribed dose (Gy) | Fraction dose (Gy) | BED2 (Gy) | Toxicity                                       |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| IndianaU.                  | Stage I NSCLC      | 60-66                | 20-22              | 219-258   | 11-Fold increase risk of severe-fatal toxicity |
| Hokkaido U                 | NSCLC and Mts      | 48                   | 6                  | 64        | 1 of 9 with severe toxicity                    |
| U. Texas, San Antonio      | NSCLC and Mts      | 36                   | 6-12               | 86-126    | 1 of 9 – asymptomatic airway collapse          |
| Air Force General Hospital | Stage I-II NSCLC   | 60-70<br>40-50       | 6-7<br>4-5         | 120-167   | No severe toxicity                             |
| VU Amsterdam               | Stage I NSCLC      | 60                   | 7.5                | 88        | No severe toxicity                             |
| Technical U.               | NSCLC and Mts      | 35                   | 7                  | 105       | No severe toxicity                             |

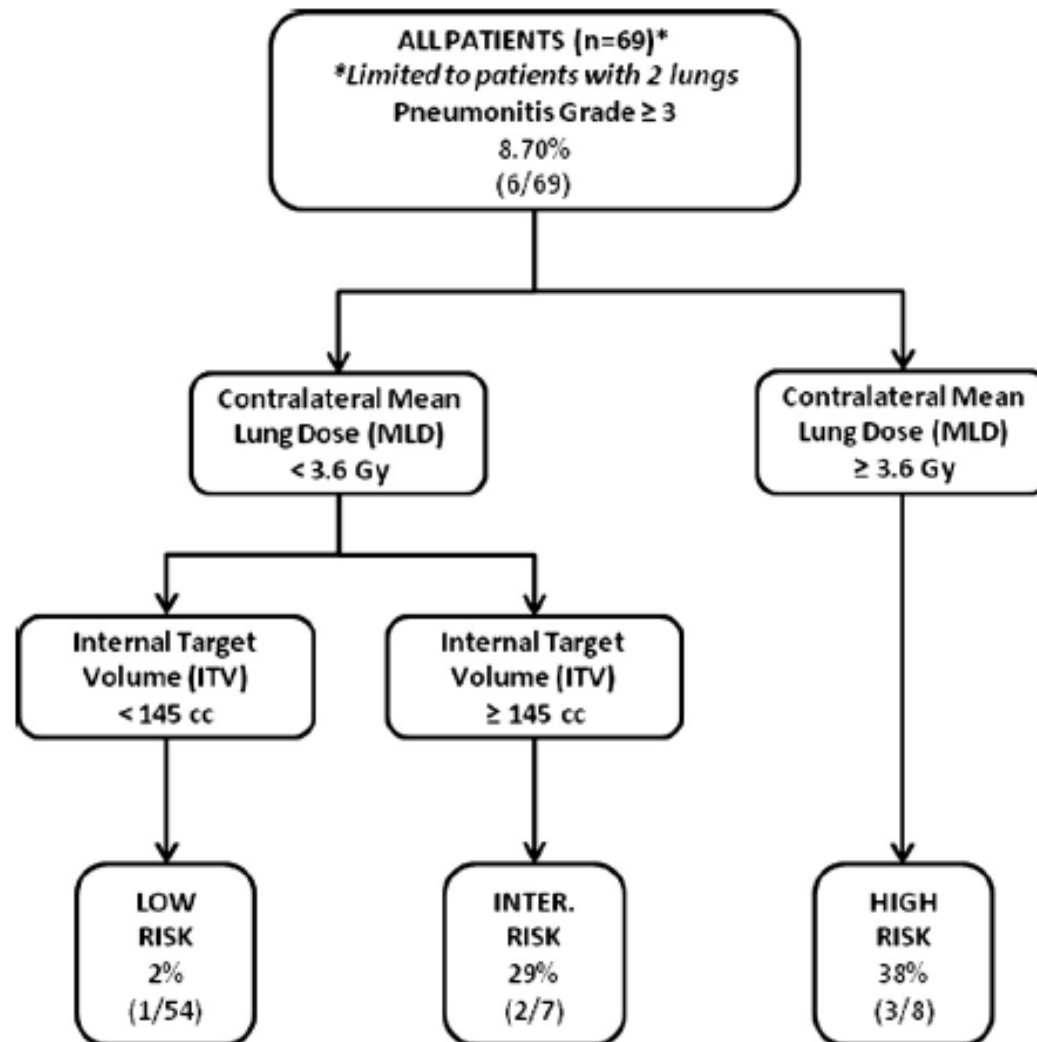
Milano et al, Radiother Oncol, 2009

# Dose-volume parameters predict toxicity in large tumors



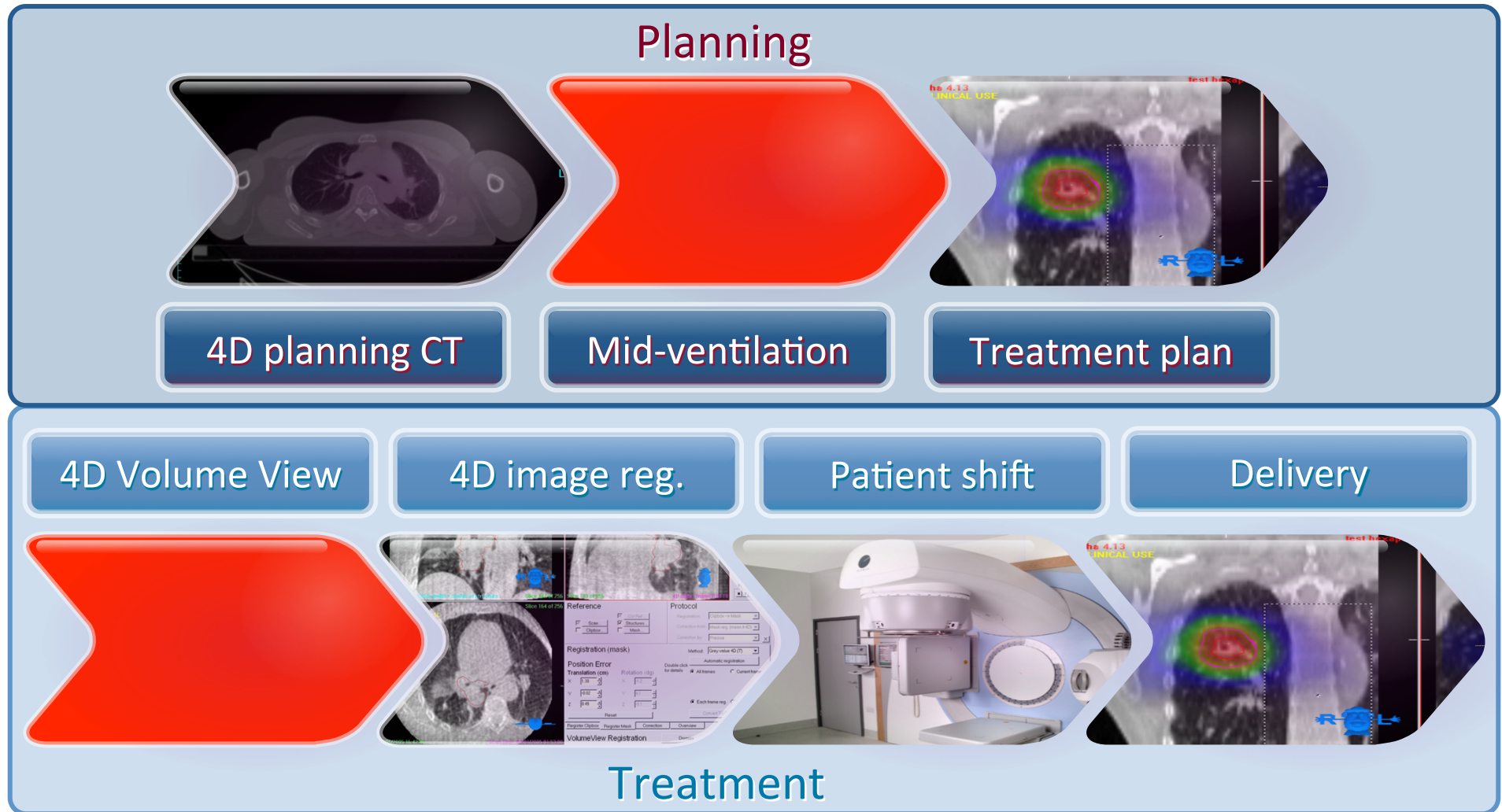
Loon Ong et al, Radiother Oncol 2010

# Toxicity is also dependent from contralateral Mean Lung Dose

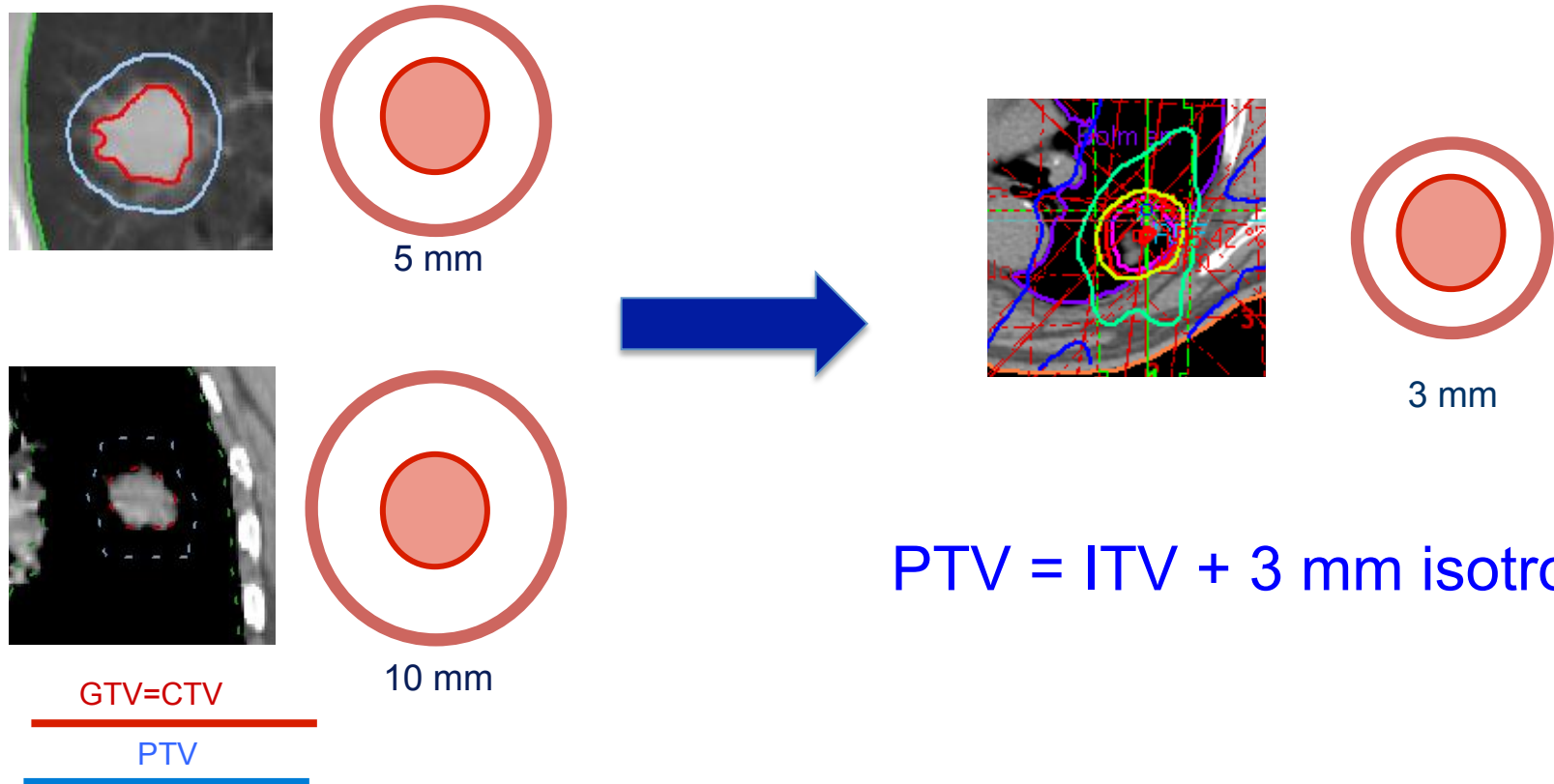


Bongers et al, Radiother Oncol 2010

# Technical Advances may have an impact on efficacy and toxicity



# Higher accuracy should translate in less toxicity and better PTV coverage







SABR applications in  
early stage NSCLC:  
the past as a window for  
understanding the  
future

*Saul Steinberg holding his eight-year-old self by the hand, 1978*

# Clinical routine: “risk-adapted” SBRT protocol

- **Peripheral lesions (T1a-T1b):**

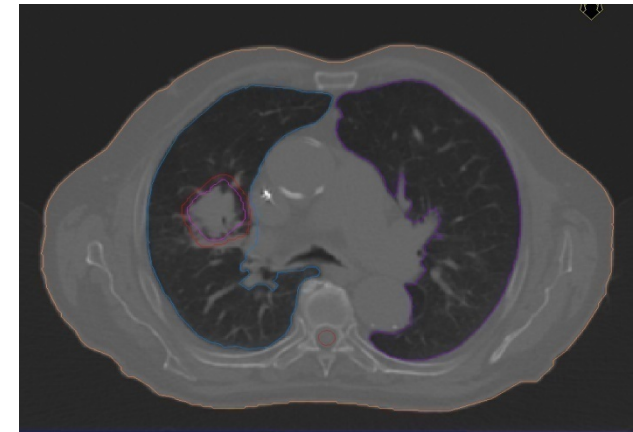
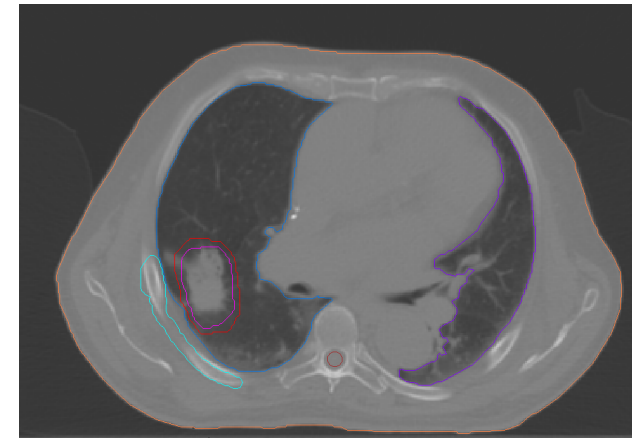
- 45-54 Gy/ 3 fractions

- **Peripheral lesions, with extensive contact with the chest wall, or larger tumors (T2a):**

- 55 Gy/ 5 fractions

- **Central lesions:**

- 60 Gy/ 8 fractions



# Prognostic factors?

# Multivariate analysis from the DEGRO Observational Multicentric Study

**TABLE 3.** Multivariate Analysis of Factors Influencing OS and FFLP

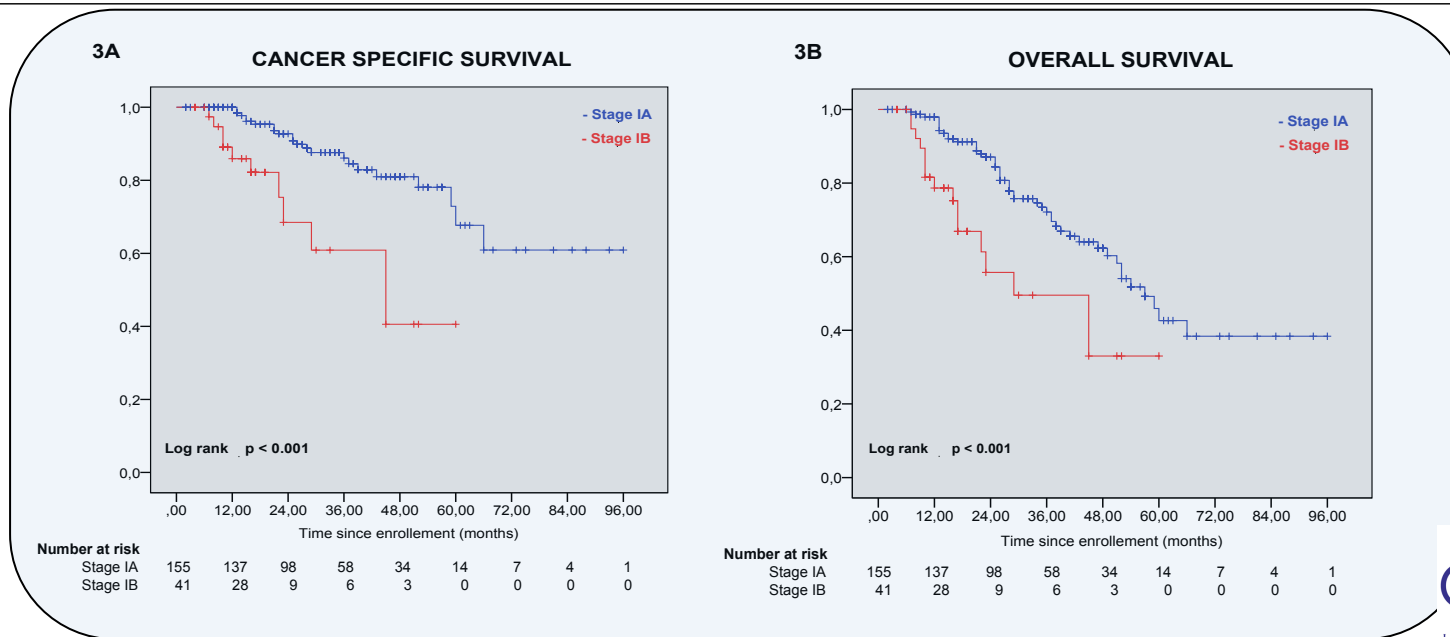
| Parameter   |                     | OS       |      |              | FFLP     |      |              |
|---|---------------------|----------|------|--------------|----------|------|--------------|
|   |                     | <i>p</i> | HR   | 95% CI       | <i>p</i> | HR   | 95% CI       |
| Performance status  | <80                 | 0.02     | 1.44 | 1.05 to 1.97 |          |      |              |
| Clinical stage  | IB                  | 0.007    | 1.52 | 1.12 to 2.07 | 0.08     | 1.66 | 0.95 to 2.92 |
| Baseline FEV <sub>1</sub> (%)                                 | Continuous variable | 0.07     | 0.99 | 0.99 to 1.00 |          |      |              |
| Biopsy status   | No biopsy           | 0.09     | 1.49 | 0.94 to 2.35 | 0.02     | 2.53 | 1.17 to 5.48 |
| Staging FDG-PET   | Yes                 |          |      |              | >0.1     |      |              |
| Histology   | SCC                 |          |      |              | 0.03     | 2.03 | 1.06 to 3.89 |
| PTV-encompassing dose (Gy BED)                                | ≥106                | 0.01     | 0.62 | 0.43 to 0.90 | 0.04     | 0.39 | 0.16 to 0.93 |
| Dose inhomogeneity (PTV-encompassing dose / maximum dose) (%) | ≥ 80                |          |      |              | 0.06     | 1.74 | 0.98 to 3.08 |
| IGRT technology   | In-room IGRT        |          |      |              | >0.1     |      |              |
| SBRT procedures/institution and year                          | <9                  | >0.1     |      |              | >0.1     |      |              |

Guckenberger et al, JTO 2013

# Cox Regression Multivariable Analysis on Histologically Proven NSCLC in Italian observational cohort study

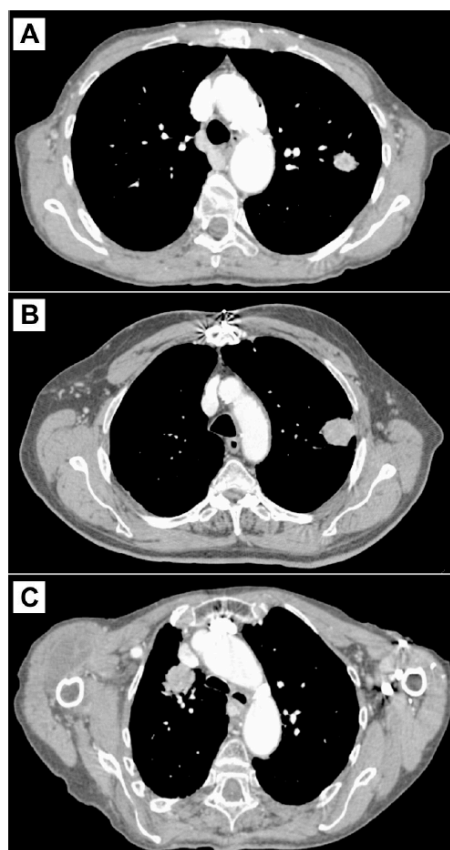
**Table 3**  
Multivariate analysis.

| Parameter                             | LR                |      | DFS              |        | OS               |        | CSS              |        |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|
|                                       | HR (95% CI)       | p    | HR (95% CI)      | p      | HR (95% CI)      | p      | HR (95% CI)      | p      |
| Stage<br>IB vs IA                     | 0.55 (0.03–10.3)  | 0.69 | 3.06 (1.62–5.77) | 0.001* | 2.46 (1.28–4.74) | 0.007* | 3.47 (1.50–7.98) | 0.003* |
| GTV volume<br>>13 cc vs ≤13 cc        | 4.4 (0.73–26.7)   | 0.1  | 1.04 (0.57–1.88) | 0.89   | 1.04 (0.59–1.82) | 0.89   | 1.37 (0.59–3.16) | 0.45   |
| Sex<br>Male vs Female                 | 0.5 (0.08–3.2)    | 0.47 | 1.05 (0.57–1.92) | 0.87   | 0.94 (0.51–1.74) | 0.86   | 0.79 (0.31–1.98) | 0.61   |
| Age<br>>75 years vs ≤75 years         | 0.6 (0.15–2.57)   | 0.52 | 1.39 (0.83–2.36) | 0.21   | 1.39 (0.83–2.32) | 0.2    | 1.28 (0.63–2.61) | 0.49   |
| Histology<br>Adenocarcinoma vs others | 2.42 (0.39–14.84) | 0.34 | 1.12 (0.64–1.97) | 0.68   | 1.21 (0.68–2.16) | 0.8    | 1.17 (0.52–2.61) | 0.69   |



# Imaging Features Associated With Disease Progression After Stereotactic Ablative Radiotherapy for Stage I Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer

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| Tumor Variable                         | Univariate                                 |      |  |   | Multivariate <sup>a</sup>                  |   |
|--|--|------|--|---|--|---|
|  | FFLP                                       | FFRP | FFDM                                       | OS  | FFDM                                       | OS  |
| Maximum Tumor Dimension <sup>b</sup>   | .374                                       | .328 | <b>.037</b> (HR, 5.33; 95% CI, 1.72-16.47) | .1085                                     | <b>.014</b> (HR, 5.26; 95% CI, 1.41-19.70) |   |
| BED <sub>10</sub> -LQ, Gy              | .452                                       | .580 | .182                                       | <b>.0353</b> (HR, 0.99; 95% CI, 0.98-1.0) | —  | .427                                      |
| BED <sub>10</sub> -LQ-L, Gy            | .435                                       | .331 | .696                                       | .14                                       | —  | —   |
| Contact with CWP                       | .361                                       | .676 | .091                                       | .804                                      | —  | —   |
| Contact with MP                        | .478                                       | .166 | <b>.005</b> (HR, 4.24; 95% CI, 1.55-11.62) | <b>.005</b> (HR, 3.40; 95% CI, 1.70-6.77) | <b>.001</b> (HR, 7.51; 95% CI, 2.41-23.42) | <b>.002</b> (HR, 3.58; 95% CI, 1.63-7.87) |
| Central versus Peripheral <sup>c</sup> | .430                                       | .302 | <b>.013</b> (HR, 3.20; 95% CI, 1.27-8.01)  | <b>.044</b> (HR, 1.89; 95% CI, 1.02-3.94) | —  | —   |
| SUVmax                                 | .894                                       | .413 | <b>.018</b> (HR, 1.09; 95% CI, 1.01-1.17)  | <b>.009</b> (HR, 1.07; 95% CI, 1.02-1.12) | <b>.053</b> (HR, 1.08; 95% CI, 1.00-1.16)  | <b>.011</b> (HR, 1.07; 95% CI, 1.02-1.12) |
| Arc-Based versus CyberKnife Treatment  | <b>.038</b> (HR, 0.238; 95% CI, 0.06-0.92) | .416 | .842                                       | .740                                      | —  | —   |
| Nonsquamous Histology                  | .866                                       | .136 | .435                                       | .656                                      | —  | —   |

# Toxicity and Quality of Life

# No Clinically Significant Changes in Pulmonary Function Following Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy for Early-Stage Peripheral Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: An Analysis of RTOG 0236

- ❑ Poor baseline PFT did not predict decreased OS
- ❑ FEV1 mean decline 5.8%; DLCO mean decline 6.3% (SS at 6 weeks and 3 months)
- ❑ Minimal changes of arterial blood gases and no decline in oxygen saturation

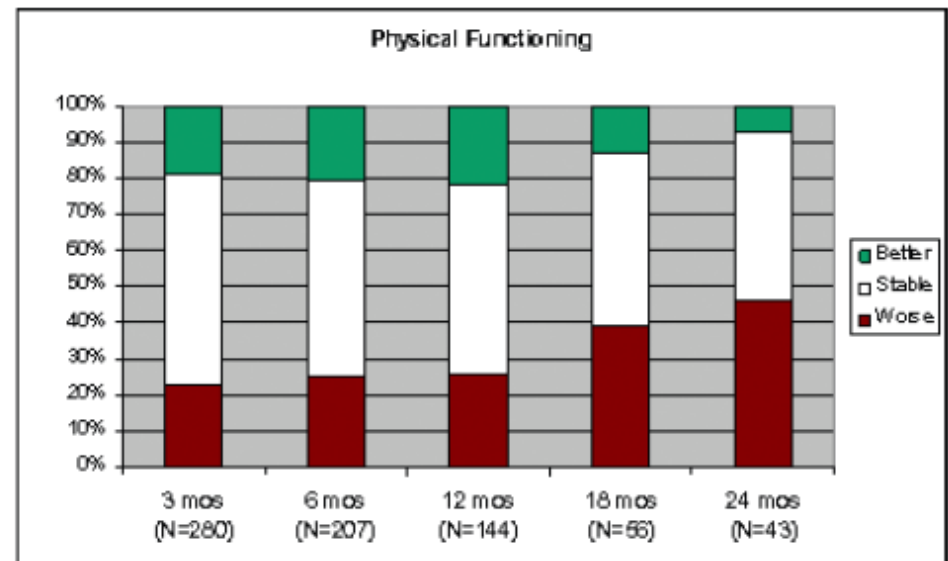
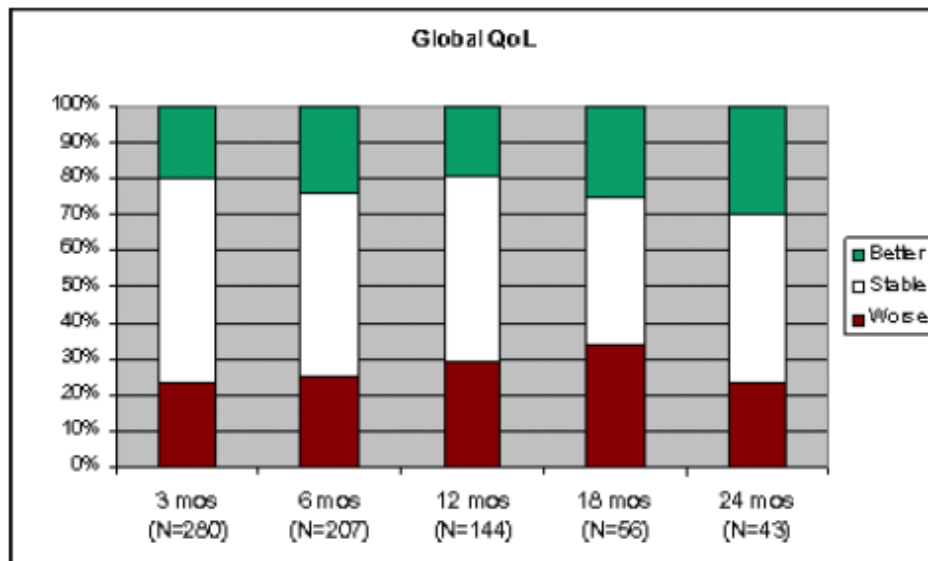


# SABR and Quality of Life

No declines in QoL reported after SABR

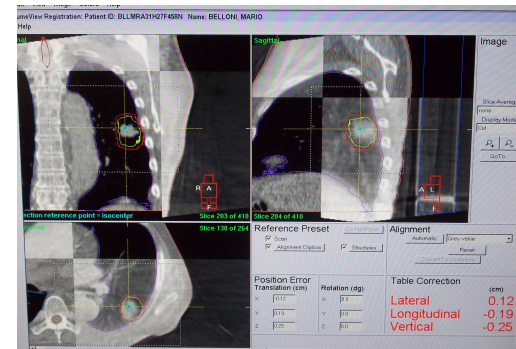
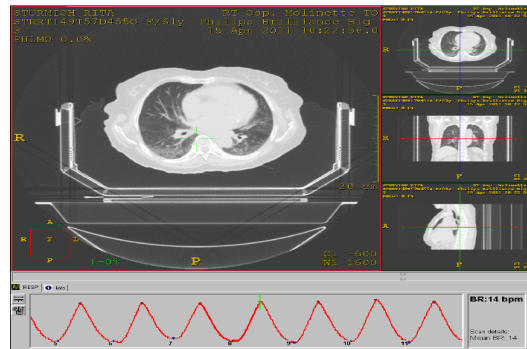
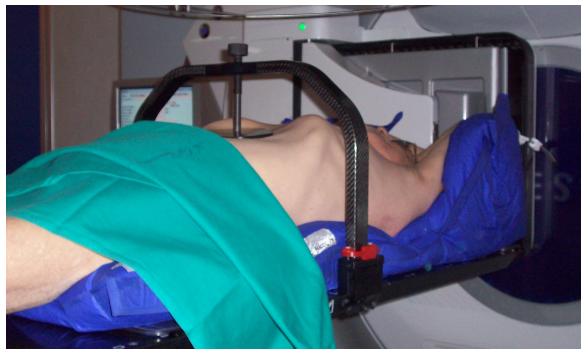
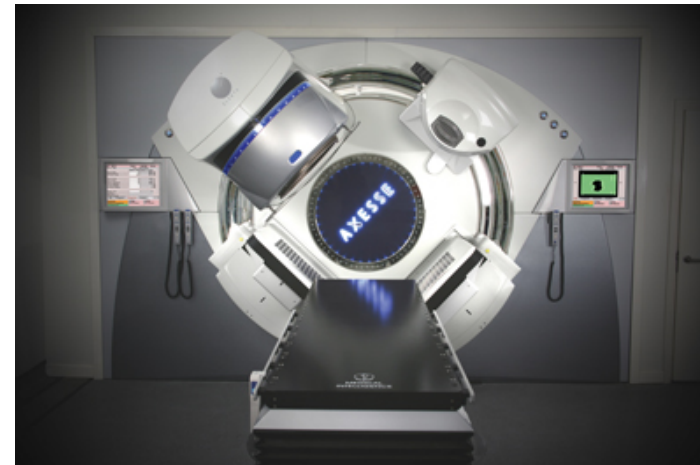
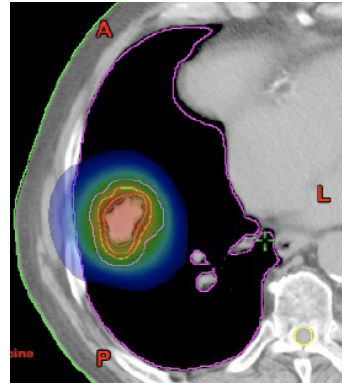
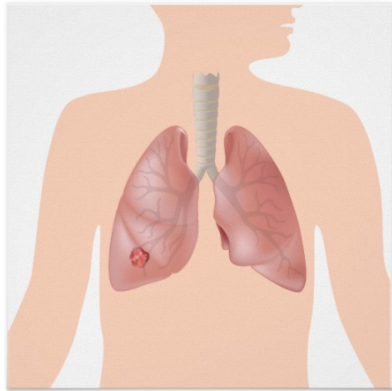
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# Quality of Life – self assessed



Lagerwaard et al, JTO 2012

# SABR in Lung Mets



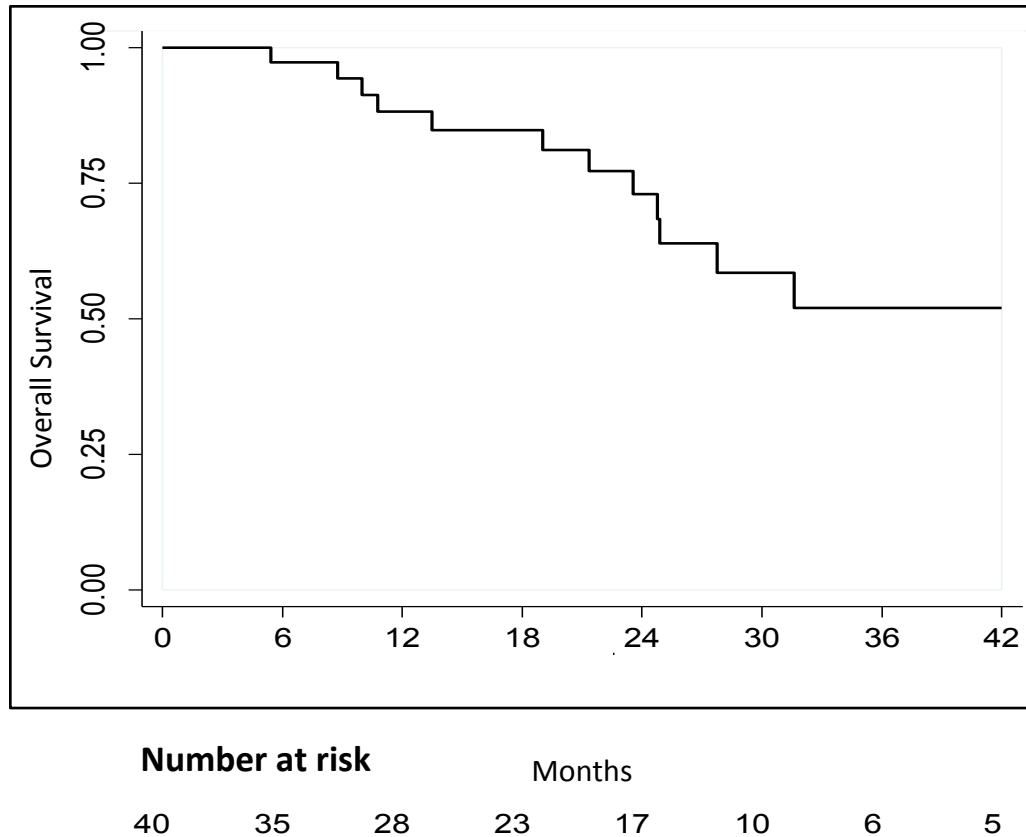
# Clinical Trials on SABR for Lung Oligometastases

**TABLE 1.** Clinical Trials of Stereotactic Ablative Radiotherapy for Pulmonary Oligometastatic Disease

| Reference                                | No. of Patients | No. of Targets | Radiation Dose                             | Median Follow-Up (Months) | Outcomes  |
|--|-----------------|----------------|--|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Fractionated/Single Fraction SABR</b> |                 |                |  |                           |   |
| Onimaru et al. <sup>27</sup>             | 20              | 32             | 48 Gy/8 fx, 60 Gy/8 fx                     | 18                        | 48% 2-yr OS, 69.6% 3-yr LC for 48 Gy, 100% 3-yr LC for 60 Gy        |
| Yoon et al. <sup>26</sup>                | 53              | 80             | 30 Gy/3 fx, 40 Gy/4 fx, 48 Gy/4 fx         | 14                        | 70% LC for 30 Gy, 77% for 40 Gy, 100% LC for 48 Gy, 51% all 2-yr OS |
| Okunieff et al. <sup>28</sup>            | 50              | 125            | 50 Gy/10 fx, 48 Gy/6 fx, 57 Gy/3 fx        | 18.7                      | 91% 3-yr LC, 50% 2-yr OS  |
| Norihisa et al. <sup>18</sup>            | 34              | 43             | 48 Gy/4 fx, 60 Gy/5 fx, at isocenter       | 27                        | 90% 2-yr LC, 84% 2-yr OS  |
| Brown et al. <sup>25</sup>               | 35              | 69             | 5 Gy/1 fx to 60 Gy/4 fx                    | 18                        | 77% crude LC, 72.5% 2-yr OS   |
| Rusthoven et al. <sup>12</sup>           | 38              | 63             | 60 Gy/3 fx at 80%                          | 15.4                      | 96% 2-yr LC, 39% 2-yr OS  |
| Wulf et al. <sup>24</sup>                | 41              | 51             | 30 Gy/3 fx, 36 Gy/3 fx, 26 Gy/1 fx at 100% | 13                        | 80% 1-yr LC, 33% 2-yr OS  |
| Ricardi et al. <sup>23</sup>             | 61              | 77             | 45 Gy/3 fx, 26 Gy/1 fx at 80%              | 20.4                      | 89% 2-yr LC, 66.5% 2-yr OS  |
| <b>Single Fraction SABR Only</b>         |                 |                |  |                           |   |
| Hof et al. <sup>30</sup>                 | 61              | 71             | 12 to 30 Gy at isocenter                   | 14                        | 65.1% 2-yr OS   |
| Filippi et al. <sup>29</sup>             | 67              | 90             | 26 Gy at 80%                               | 24                        | 88.1% 2-yr LC, 70.5% 2-yr OS  |

Schulz, Filippi et al, J Thor Oncol 2014

# SABR as first local therapy for CRC lung mets: a single institution cohort study on 40 patients



At the time of analysis, 14 patients (35%) were dead

**MEDIAN FOLLOW-UP TIME 23 months**

Estimated Median Survival Time: 46 months

# SABR as first local therapy for CRC lung mets

| <b>Pattern of progression</b> | <b>N</b> |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Local recurrence at SABR site | 4        |
| New pulmonary metastases      | 10       |
| Liver metastases              | 4        |
| Primary tumor uncontrolled    | 2        |
| Multiple sites                | 9        |

## **Treatment at Relapse**

Surgery                      4 patients (2 liver, 1 lung, 1 colon)  
SABR                            3 patients (lung)  
RFA                             2 patients (liver)  
Chemotherapy            7 patients

# SABR as first local therapy for CRC lung mets

## Overall Survival rates

**Surgery:** 64-88% at 2 years and 29-71.2% at 5 years

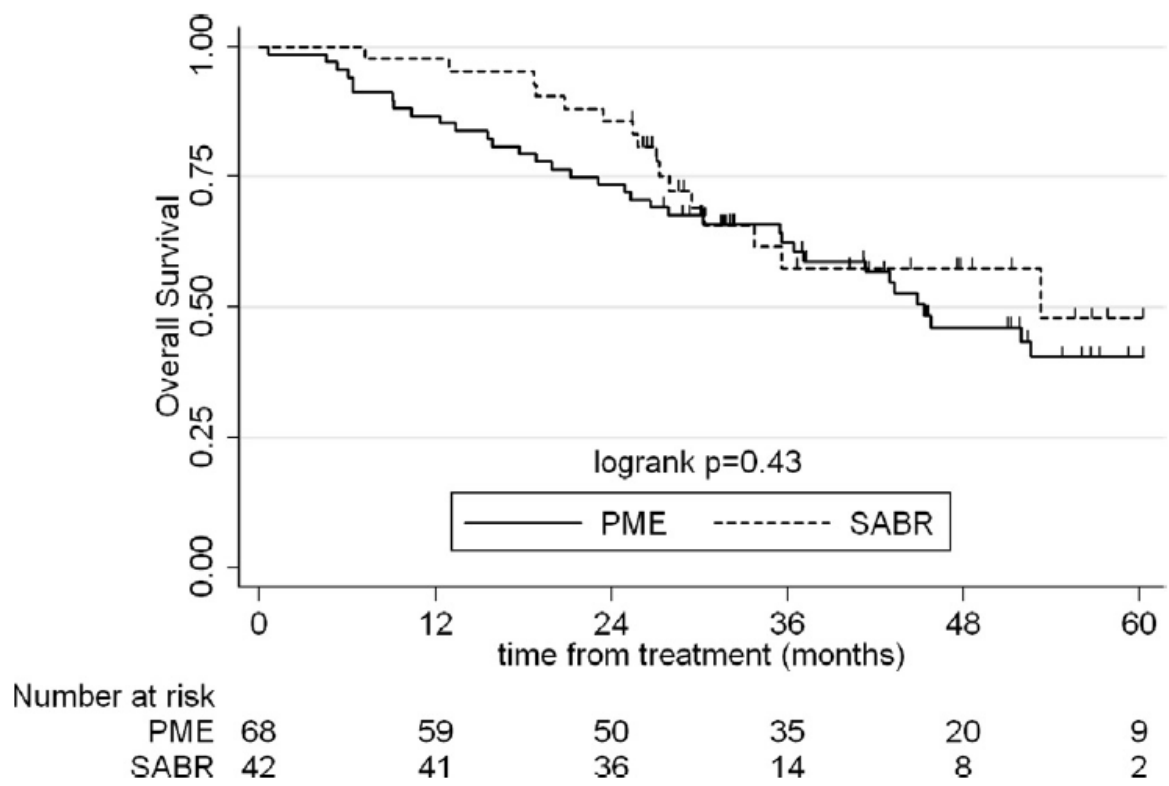
**RFA:** 64-73% at 2 years and 34.9-45% at 5 years

**SABR:** around 50% at 2 years (mixed histologies)

**Present study:** 73% at 2 years

# Pulmonary oligometastases: Metastasectomy or stereotactic ablative radiotherapy? ☆

Consecutive patients treated between 2007 and 2010 (68 PME and 42 SABR)



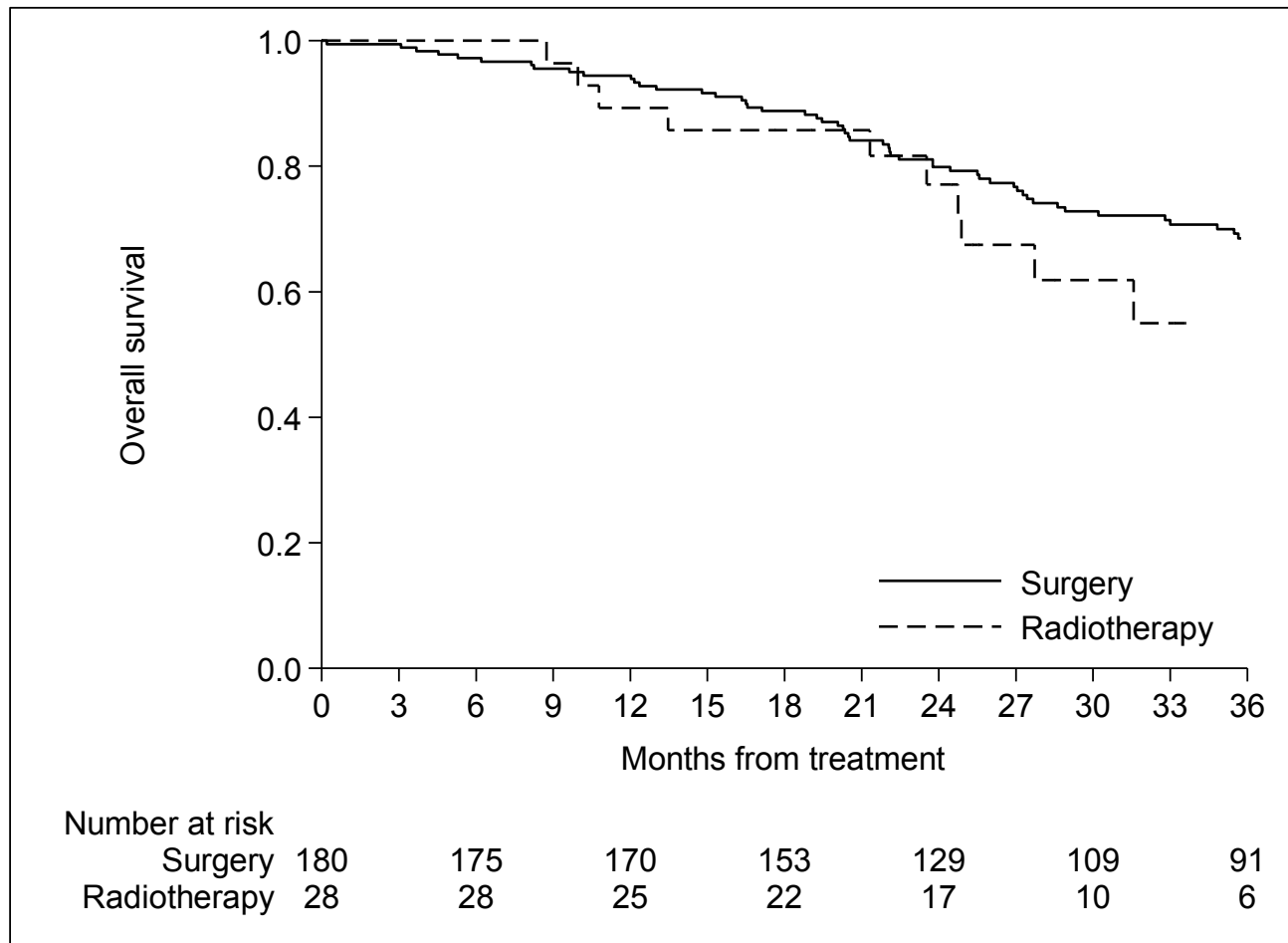
*PME: first choice*  
*SABR: second best alternative*

**3-ys OS years after SABR: 60%**  
**3-ys OS after PME: 62%**

Widder et al, R&O, 2013



# SABR vs Surgery for CRC lung oligometastases : a matched-pair propensity score analysis on 2 years OS



Filippi et al, ESTRO 2015



Steinberg 1976



Pericoli 1984

Towards advances, through different ways,  
patients need experimental controlled data

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