

Radioterapia Stereotassica Ipofrazionata metastasi cerebrali

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radiosurgery

Evidences

-Single dose stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) + WBRT leads to a significantly longer overall survival compared to WBRT alone for the patients with good performance status (KPS >70) and single brain metastases (**level 1 evidence**)

- SRS + WBRT, seems to be more effective than WBRT alone in terms of local control in patients with one to four metastases and KPS >70 (**level 2 evidence**)

- SRS + WBRT may lead to significantly longer survival in patients with two to three metastases (**level 3 evidence**)

-The authors note that the incidence of distant recurrence is lower when WBRT is added

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Radiosurgery diffusion and limits

ASTRO guidelines

Practical Radiation Oncology (2012) 2, 210–225

Table 1 Single brain metastasis—initial management

Prognostic category (^a)	Other features	Treatment options (evidence grade) references	Clinical benefit			
			S	LC	WB control	Neurocognition
Good prognosis Complete resection possible Expected survival 3 mo or more		If brain metastasis $\leq 3-4$ cm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery and WBRT (level 1)^{10,11,22,23,42,43,b} • Radiosurgery and WBRT (level 1)^{51,53} • Radiosurgery alone (Level 1)^{23,54} • Surgery with radiosurgery/radiation boost to the resection cavity with or without WBRT (level 3)^{26-41,b} 	✓	✓	✓	
		If brain metastasis $>3-4$ cm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery and WBRT (level 1)^{10,11,22,23,42,43,b} • Surgery with radiosurgery/radiation boost to the resection cavity with or without WBRT (level 3)^{26-41,b} 	✓	✓	✓ (with WBRT)	✓
Good prognosis Not resectable Expected survival 3 mo or more		If brain metastasis $\leq 3-4$ cm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiosurgery and WBRT (level 1)^{51,53} • Radiosurgery alone (level 1)^{23,54} 				
		If brain metastasis $>3-4$ cm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WBRT (level 3), with consideration of biopsy, if primary unknown^{59,85,86} • WBRT (level 3)^{59,85} • Palliative care without WBRT (level 3)^{59,85} 				
Poor prognosis Expected survival less than 3 mo						

Table 2 Multiple brain metastases—initial management

Prognostic category (^a)	Other features	Treatment options (evidence grade) references	Clinical benefit			
			S	LC	WB control	Neurocognition
Good prognosis Expected survival 3 mo or more	All brain metastases $\leq 3-4$ cm ^b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiosurgery and WBRT (level 1)^{51,53} • Radiosurgery alone^{23,54} (level 1) • WBRT (level 1)^{59,85} 	✓	✓		✓
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe surgical resection of the brain metastasis/metastases causing significant mass effect and postoperative WBRT (level 3)^{25,b} • WBRT (level 3)^{59,85} 	✓	✓	✓	
Good prognosis Expected survival 3 mo or more	Brain metastasis/metastases causing significant mass effect ^c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WBRT (level 3)^{59,85} 	✓	✓	✓	
Poor prognosis Expected survival less than 3 mo		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WBRT (level 3)^{59,85} • Palliative care without WBRT (level 3)^{59,85} 		✓	✓	

HSRT

limits and postulate

If the SRS has been limited traditionally by the lesion's dimensions and the proximity of critical structures

On the other hand the extent of late toxicity following WBRT is not well established, and so whether late toxicity is a major concern for clinicians is an open question (**Hasegawa 2009, Soffiatti 2013**)

→HSRT could be the solution (??)

Indeed, Hypofractionated Stereotactic RadioTherapy (HSRT), by focusing the field of impact of the radiation, would theoretically improve the sparing of critical structures, and consequently may limit the long-term side effects of radiation therapy.

Lower dose per fraction may optimize the dose to the tumour and to the critical structures by increasing the BED to the tumour and at the same time by decreasing the BED to the OAR

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Hypofractionated stereotactic radiotherapy as an alternative to radiosurgery for the treatment of patients with brain metastases.
Manning MA, Cardinale RM, Benedict SH, Kavanagh BD, Zwicker RD, Amir C, Broaddus WC.
Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys. 2000 Jun 1;47(3):603-8.

- Pts 32 (57 mets)
- Dose 27Gy/3fr
- WBRT all (30Gy)
- Median S 12 mo

HSRT → Effective, more comfortable and less expensive than SRS

Hypofractionated stereotactic radiotherapy for oligometastases in the brain: a single-institution experience.

Marchetti M, Milanesi I, Falcone C, De Santis M, Fumagalli L, Brait L, Bianchi L, Fariselli L.

Neurol Sci. 2011

- Pts 65 (81 mets)
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 21Gy/3fr; 24Gy/3fr
- WBRT with or without

- OS 69.3% (6mo)
51.7% (12 mo)
23.3% (36 mo)
- 1 yr LC 58.6%

- Cause of Death:
 - Sistemic progression 68%
 - Intracerebral progression 19 %
 - Local Progression 10 %
 - Unrelated causes 3 %

- Toxicity 1 pt surgery due to persistent oedema

- Significant Prognostic factors: RPA
- Not significant prognostic factors: volume; prev WBRT; hystology

Hypofractionated stereotactic radiotherapy of limited brain metastases: a single-centre individualized treatment approach.

Märtens B, Janssen S, Werner M, Frühauf J, Christiansen H, Bremer M, Steinmann D.

BMC Cancer. 2012

- Pts 75 (108 mets)
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 5Gy x 6-7fr; 6Gy x 5fr
(Rec) 4Gy x 7-10fr; 5Gy x 5-6
- WBRT with or without
- OS 59% (6mo)
35% (12 mo)
- Median surv 9.1 mo
- Toxicity mild (but higher if > 35Gy)
- Significant Prognostic factors: EQD2 > 35Gy; vol; steroids uptake; primary tumor activity

Hypofractionated frameless stereotactic intensity-modulated radiotherapy with whole brain radiotherapy for the treatment of 1-3 brain metastases.

De Potter B, De Meerleer G, De Neve W, Boterberg T, Speleers B, Ost P.

Neurol Sci. 2013

- Pts 38
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 30Gy/5fr
- WBRT with

- OS 65% (6mo)
35% (12 mo)
- Median survival 7.6 mo
- 1 yr LC 66%

- Cause of Death: Local Progression 5 %

- Toxicity low/mild

Fractionated stereotactic radiosurgery for patients with brain metastases.

Minniti G, D'Angelillo RM, Scaringi C, Trodella LE, Clarke E, Matteucci P, Osti MF, Ramella S, Enrici RM, Trodella L.

J Neurooncol. 2014

- Pts 135 (171 mets)
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 9Gy x 3fr; 12 x 3 Gy/3fr
- WBRT no

- OS 57% (12 mo)
25% (24 mo)

- 1 yr LC 88%
- 2 yr LC 72%

- Cause of Death:

Sistemic progression	78%
Intracerebral progression	22 %

- Toxicity 5 pts RTOG 3-4 RMN related symptoms

- Significant Prognostic factors: melanoma histology;
volume (univariate only)
- Not significant prognostic factors: KPS; DS-GPA; extracranial disease;
dose
- Actuarial RN risk 9% (1 yr); 18 % (2 yrs)

Fractionated stereotactic radiosurgery for patients with skull base metastases from systemic cancer involving the anterior visual pathway.

Minniti G, Esposito V, Clarke E, Scaringi C, Bozzao A, Falco T, De Sanctis V, Enrici MM, Valeriani M, Osti MF, Enrici RM.

Radiat Oncol. 2014

- Pts 34
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 5Gy x 5fr
- WBRT no

- OS 63% (12 mo)
32% (24 mo)

- 1 yr LC 89%
- 2 yr LC 72%

- Cause of Death: Sistemic progression 78%
 Intracerebral progression 22 %

- Toxicity mild, transient

- Significant Prognostic factors: extracranial disease; KPS

- Not significant prognostic factors: histology; mets #

Tolerance retrospective studies

Three-fraction CyberKnife radiotherapy for brain metastases in critical areas: referring to the risk evaluating radiation necrosis and the surrounding brain volumes circumscribed with a single dose equivalence of 14 Gy (V14).

Inoue HK, Seto K, Nozaki A, Torikai K, Suzuki Y, Saitoh J, Noda SE, Nakano T
J Radiat Res. 2013

- Pts 145
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 27-30Gy/3fr
- WBRT no

- OS not reported

- 7 months LC 95.8%

- Toxicity 3 pt surgery (radiation necrosis/
persistent oedema)

- Recommendation to limit the V14 (sde)

Five-fraction CyberKnife radiotherapy for large brain metastases in critical areas: impact on the surrounding brain volumes circumscribed with a single dose equivalent of 14 Gy (V14) to avoid radiation necrosis.

Inoue HK, Sato H, Seto K, Torikai K, Suzuki Y, Saitoh J, Noda SE, Nakano T.

J Radiat Res. 2014

- Pts 78 (85 mets)
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 31-35Gy/5fr
- WBRT no

- OS not reported

- 7 months LC 95.8%

- Toxicity 2 pt surgery (radiation necrosis/persistent oedema)

- Recommendation to limit the V14 (SDE), 28.8Gy

Prospective studies

Hypofractionated stereotactic radiotherapy for brain metastases larger than three centimeters.

Jiang XS, Xiao JP, Zhang Y, Xu YJ, Li XP, Chen XJ, Huang XD, Yi JL, Gao L, Li YX.

Radiat Oncol. 2012

Trial

- Pts 40
29 primary treatment
11 after WBRT
- Dose 20-53Gy/4-15fr
- boost after HSRT(23 pts) 10-35Gy/2-10fr
- WBRT with or without
- OS 55.3% (12mo)
23.8% (24 mo)
15.9% (36 mo)
- Median survival 15 mo (mean 17.8 mo)
- Cause of Death: Systemic progression 37.5%
Intracranial progression 28%
- Toxicity 5 pts Edema CTCAE 3-5
- Significant prognostic factors (surv): KPS>80, controlled primary
- Significant prognostic factors (LC): Not significant: Mets #, primary tumor, extracrania mets, KPS, RPA

Treatment of single or multiple brain metastases by hypofractionated stereotactic radiotherapy using helical tomotherapy

Nagai A, Shibamoto Y, Yoshida M, Wakamatsu K, Kikuchi Y

Int J Mol Sci. 2014

Trial

- Pts 54 (128 mets)
- Dose 28-28.8 Gy/4fr
- OS 61% (6mo)
52% (12 mo)
- LC 96% (6mo)
91% (12 mo)
- Toxicity no major complications
- Significant prognostic factors: controlled primary;
Vol (univariate only)
- Not significant prognostic factors: # mets

Optimal hypofractionated conformal radiotherapy for large brain metastases in patients with high risk factors: a single-institutional prospective study.

Inoue HK, Sato H, Suzuki Y, Saitoh JI, Noda SE, Seto KI, Torikai K, Sakurai H, Nakano T.

Radiat Oncol. 2014

- Pts 88 (92 mets)
- Dose 27-30Gy/3fr (up to 19.9cc)
31-35Gy/5fr (up to 29.9 cc)
35-42Gy/8-10fr (> 30 cc)
- Radioresistant yes
- Median S 9 mo
- Toxicity 10 pts osmo-steroid or steroid
- Significant prognostic factors: # fractions; age
- Not significant prognostic factors: Vol

Trial

V14 < 3cc or less if lesions are deeply located

Surgical cavities

Cyberknife hypofractionated stereotactic radiosurgery (HSRS) of resection cavity after excision of large cerebral metastasis: efficacy and safety of an 800 cGy × 3 daily fractions regimen.

Wang CC, Floyd SR, Chang CH, Warnke PC, Chio CC, Kasper EM, Mahadevan A, Wong ET, Chen CC. *J Neurooncol.* 2012

- Pts 37
- Radioresistant yes
- Dose 24Gy/3fr
- WBRT with or without

- OS 80% (6mo)
27-28% (12 mo)
18% (36 mo)

- Toxicity seizures
prolonged steroids

- Not significant prognostic factors: prev WBRT; hystology

Adjuvant therapy after resection of brain metastases. Frameless image-guided LINAC-based radiosurgery and stereotactic hypofractionated radiotherapy.

Broemme J, Abu-Isa J, Kottke R, Beck J, Wiest R, Malthaner M, Schmidhalter D, Raabe A, Aebersold DM, Pica A.

Strahlenther Onkol. 2013

Trial

- Pts 42 (44 surg cavity)
- Dose SRS 17-18 Gy (< 10 cc) ->V12
HSRT 6Gyx2 (<20cc);4Gyx6 ->V4
- OS 87% (6mo)
63.5% (12 mo)
- LC 91% (6mo)
77% (12 mo)
- Toxicity 1 pt RN
- Prognostic factors LC is not correlated to SRS or HSRT

Hypofractionated Stereotactic radiotherapy Brain metastases Summary

- OS 61-87% (6 months)
28-63 (12 months)
- Median survival 7.6-15 months
- Cause of death 37-78% systemic disease
22-30% intracerebral disease
5-10% local progression
- LC 59-91 months
- Toxicity 2-3% serious AE

Hypofractionated Stereotactic radiotherapy

Brain metastases

positive prognostic factors

Overall survival (6 studies)

- Age (6): none
- Gender (5): none
- KPS (4): 2
- RPA (3): 1
- dsGPA (1): none
- Volume (5): 1
- Histology (4): 1 (melanoma)
- Extracr Dis (5): 4
- Mets # (4): 1

Local control

NO significant prognostic factors,
including WBRT (2 studies)
[EQD2 > 35 Gy (1 study)]

Hypofractionated Stereotactic radiotherapy
Brain metastases
Conclusions

The literature lacks of strong evidences regarding HSRT despite this HSRT (or mRS) provides reasonable and comparable tumour control and survival in patients suffering for metastatic lesions of the brain.

The neurological toxicity rate was low, and because of the non-invasive nature of such treatments, the patient compliance is very high.

These considerations suggest that HSRT should be considered as an alternative approach in the treatment of larger lesion or when a critical area is involved

A specific schedule for HSRT has not yet been established,

Ongoing trials

- Exclusive Hypofractionated Stereotactic Radiotherapy in Non-resectable Single Brain Metastasis
- Phase I Dose Escalation in Patients With 1-3 Unresectable Brain Metastases



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