

# Il trattamento associato radiochemioterapico nel tumore polmonare localmente avanzato

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Claudia, 53 y

Heavy smoker, BPCO

Rx → CT

FBS + BAL + CT guided biopsy

Adenocarcinoma G3

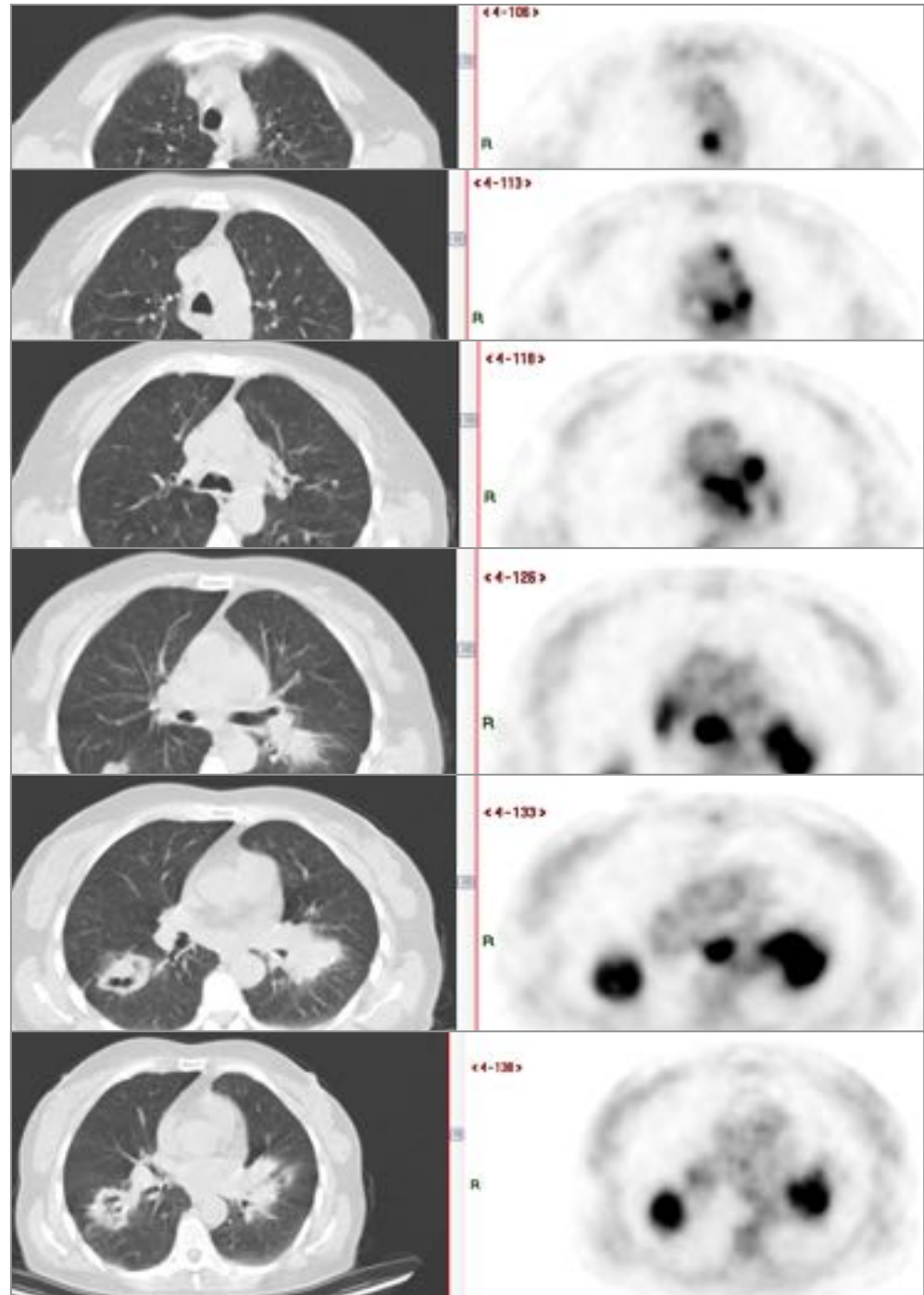
EGFR wild type

Staged as M1b (?!)

CT CDDP + Gem q21 5 cycles

G4 haematologic toxicity

post CT FDG PET : no change!!



**cT2N3M0 (IIIB)**

**combining  
TKI with RT  
in stage III?**

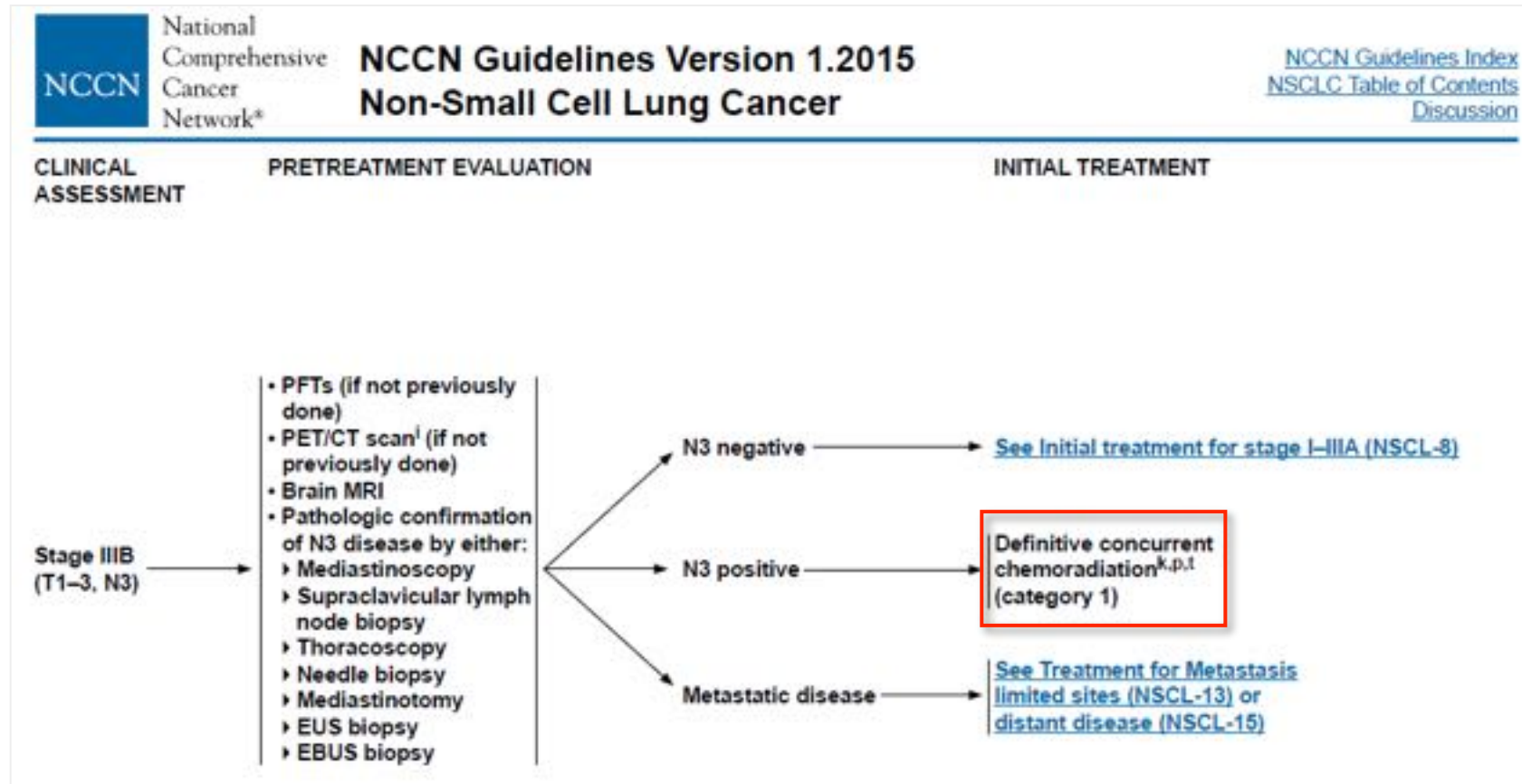
**RT-CT after  
induction  
CT?**

**What  
fractionation/  
total dose?**

**IMRT? 4D?  
Adaptive RT ?  
Proton therapy?**

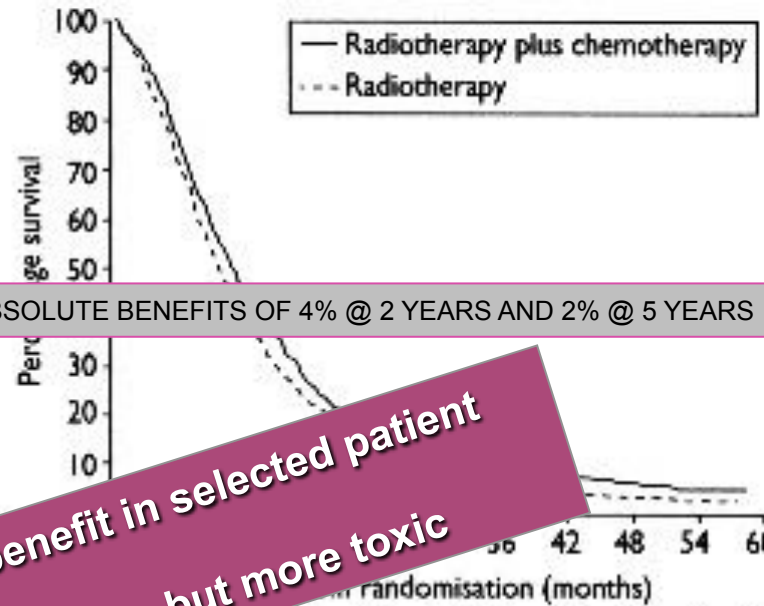
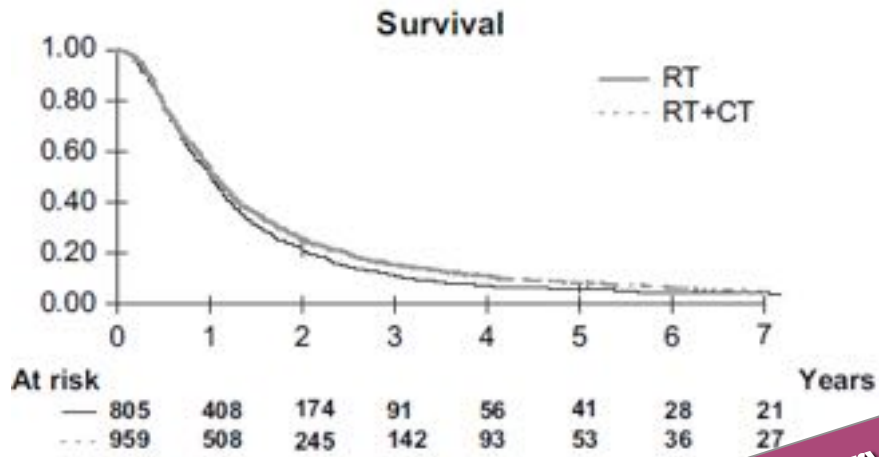
**Clinical  
target  
volumes?**

# What's the best option for C.?

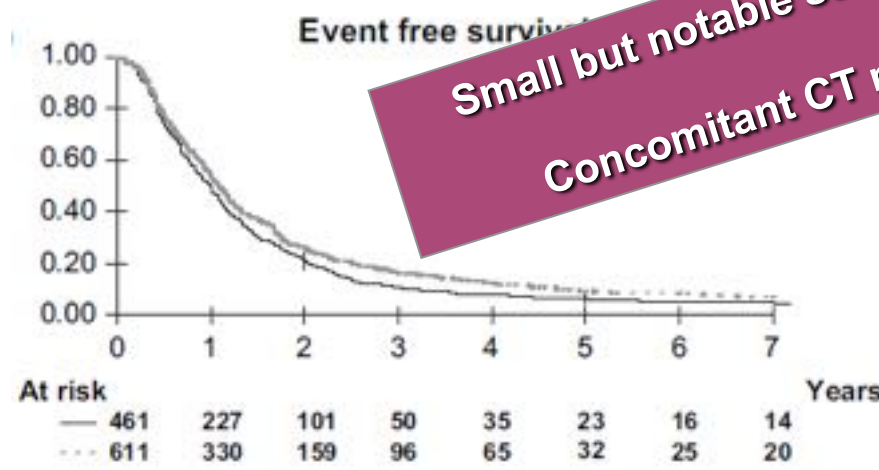


# Combining Chemo and Radiation Therapy

Survival in trials of radical radiotherapy versus radical radiotherapy plus chemotherapy (only 11/22 trials using regimens based on cisplatin)



**Small but notable survival benefit in selected patient**  
**Concomitant CT more effective but more toxic**



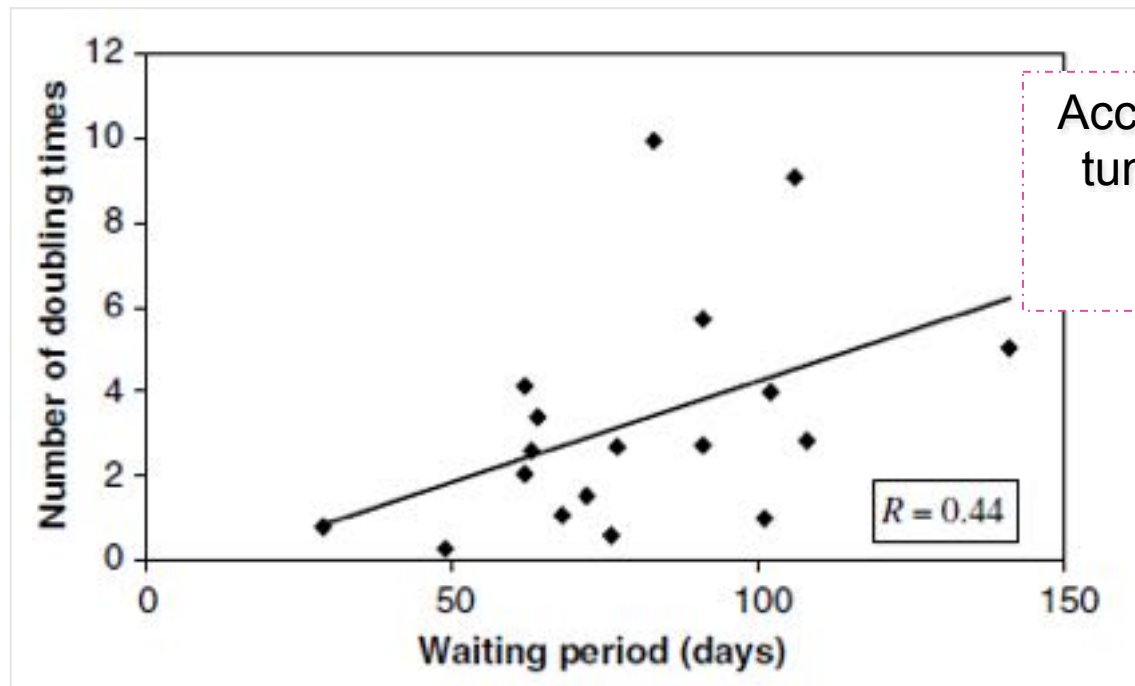
**9 trials (1764 patients)**

**cisplatin- or carboplatin-based chemotherapy**

**Platin with etoposide more effective than platin alone**

# Sequential vs Concomitant CT-RT

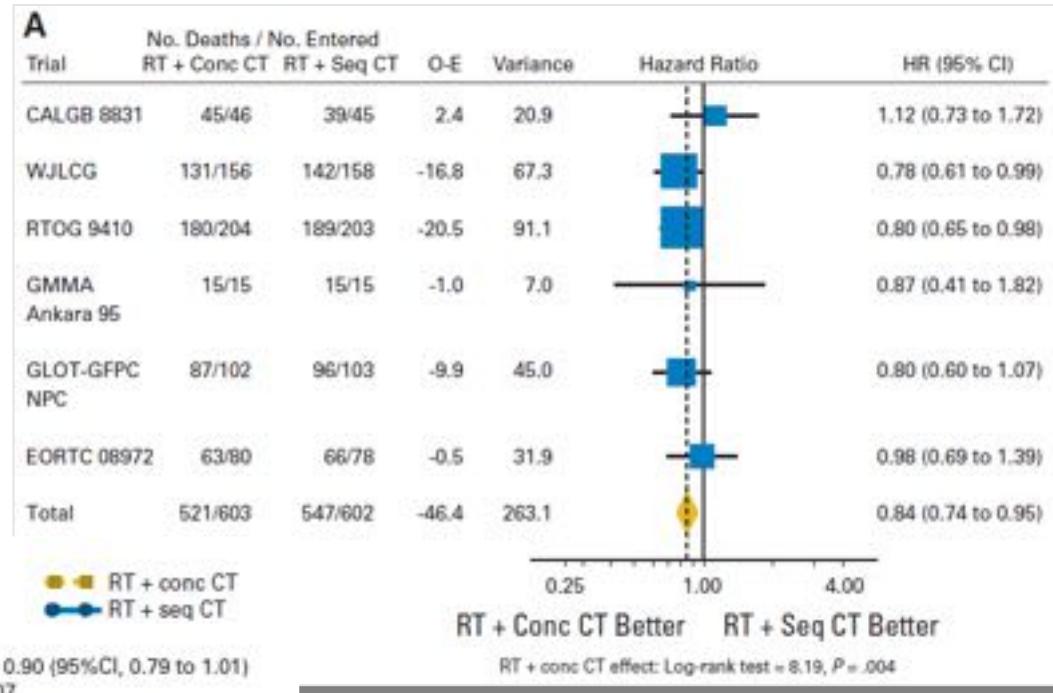
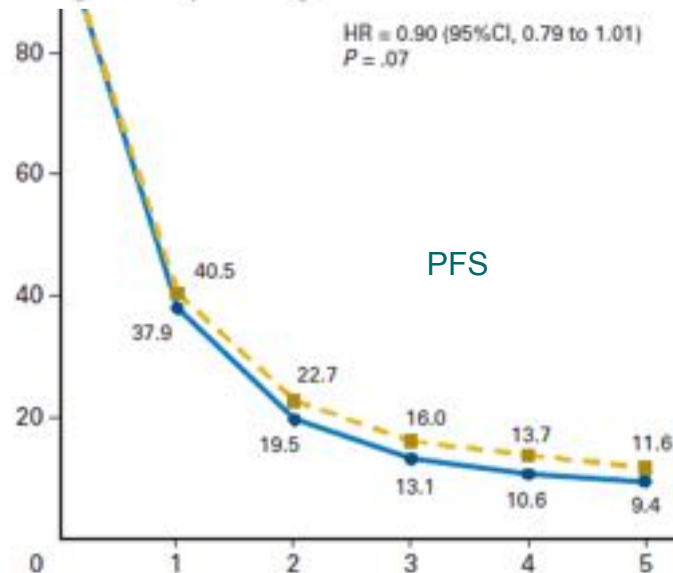
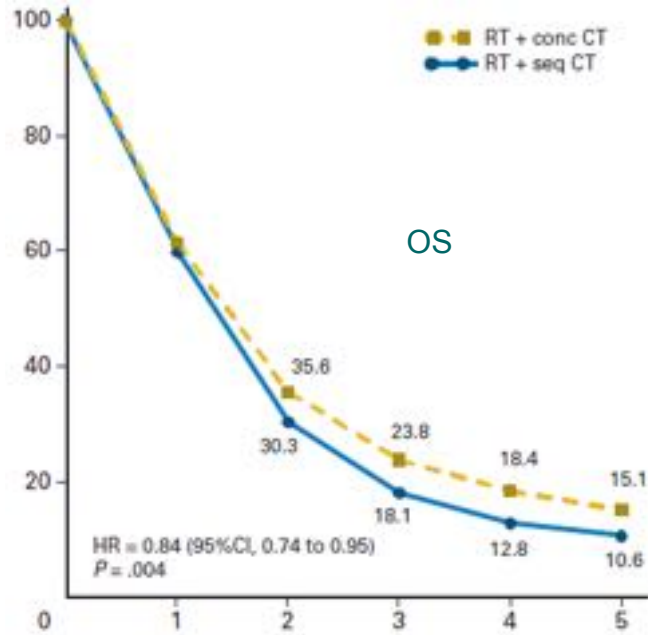
	PRO	AGAINST
SEQUENTIAL	<p>Safe delivery full dose CT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•No delay in RT delivery</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Accelerated repopulation</li><li>•Emerging radioresistance</li><li>•Delayed delivery RT</li></ul>
CONCOMITANT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Decreased tumour repopulation</li><li>•Possible radiosensibilization</li></ul>	<p>Increased acute toxicity</p>



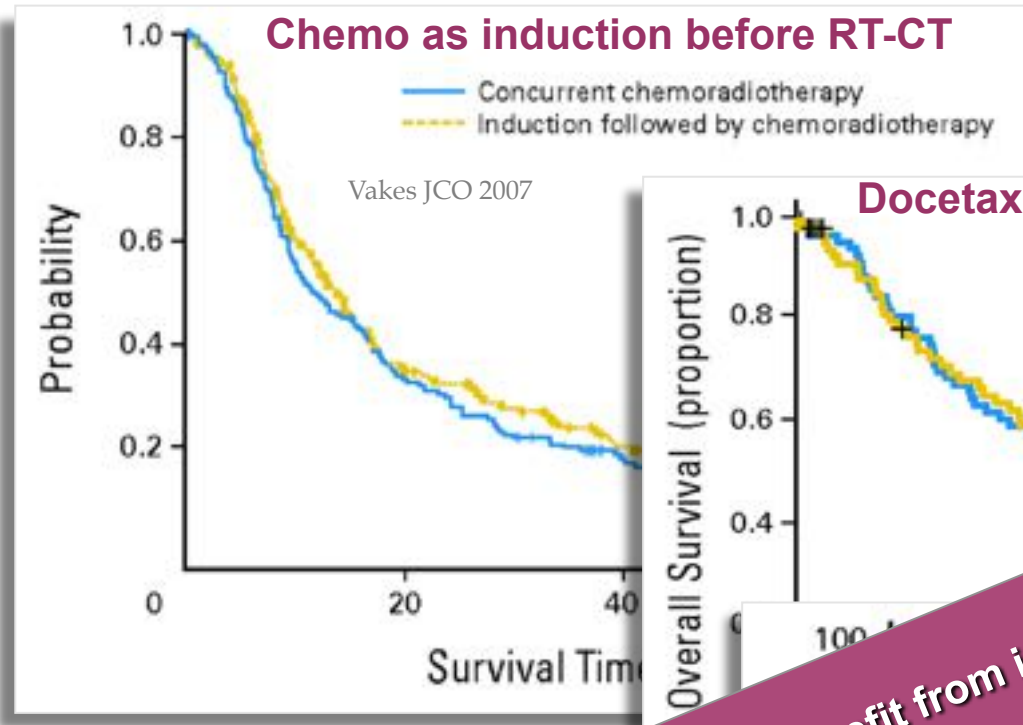
Accelerated regrowth of NSCL tumours after chemotherapy

El Sharouni et al 2003

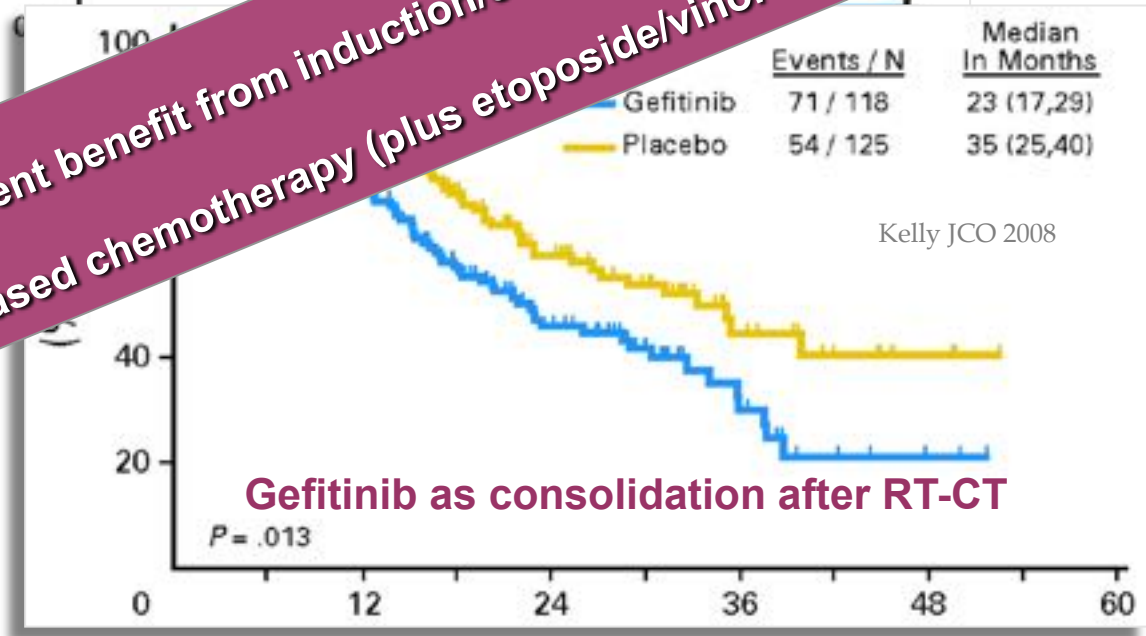
# Sequential vs Concomitant CT-RT



# Timing for combining RT-CT



Non apparent benefit from induction/consolidation CT  
Cisplatin based chemotherapy (plus etoposide/vinorelbine)





# What radiotherapy dose in combination with chemotherapy?

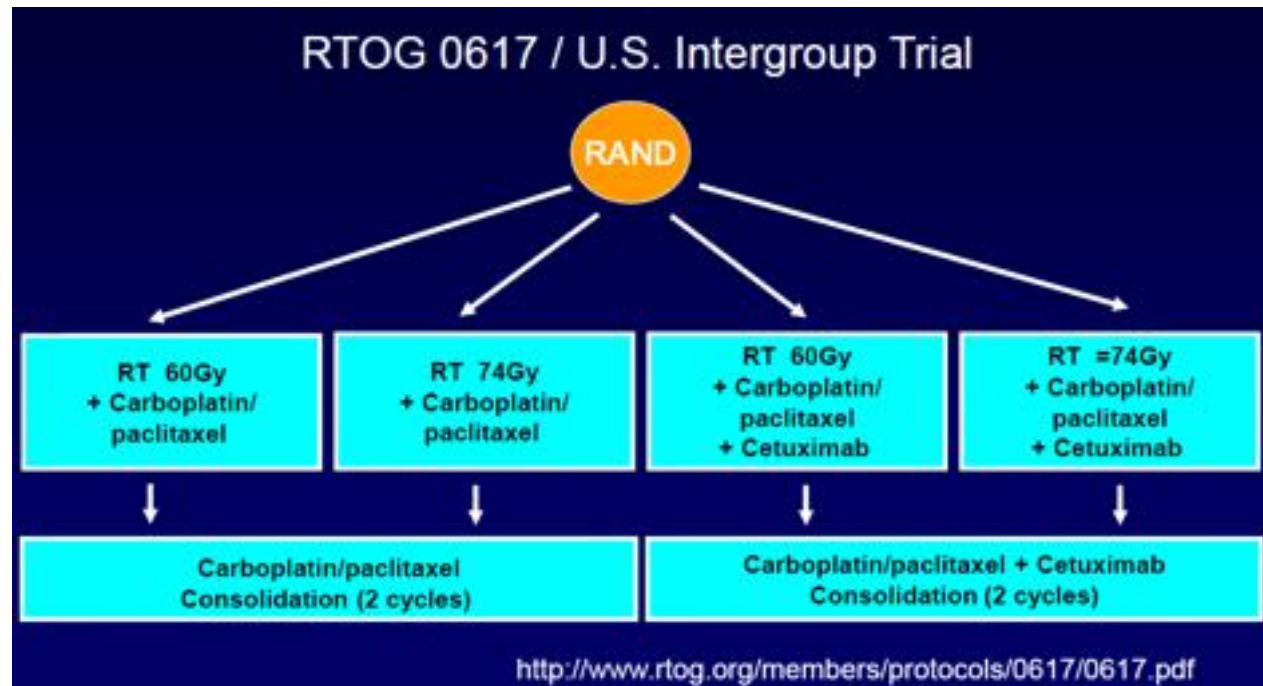
## Dose escalation

Safety and efficacy of using 74 Gy concurrently with chemotherapy

**RTOG**  
Schild 2006

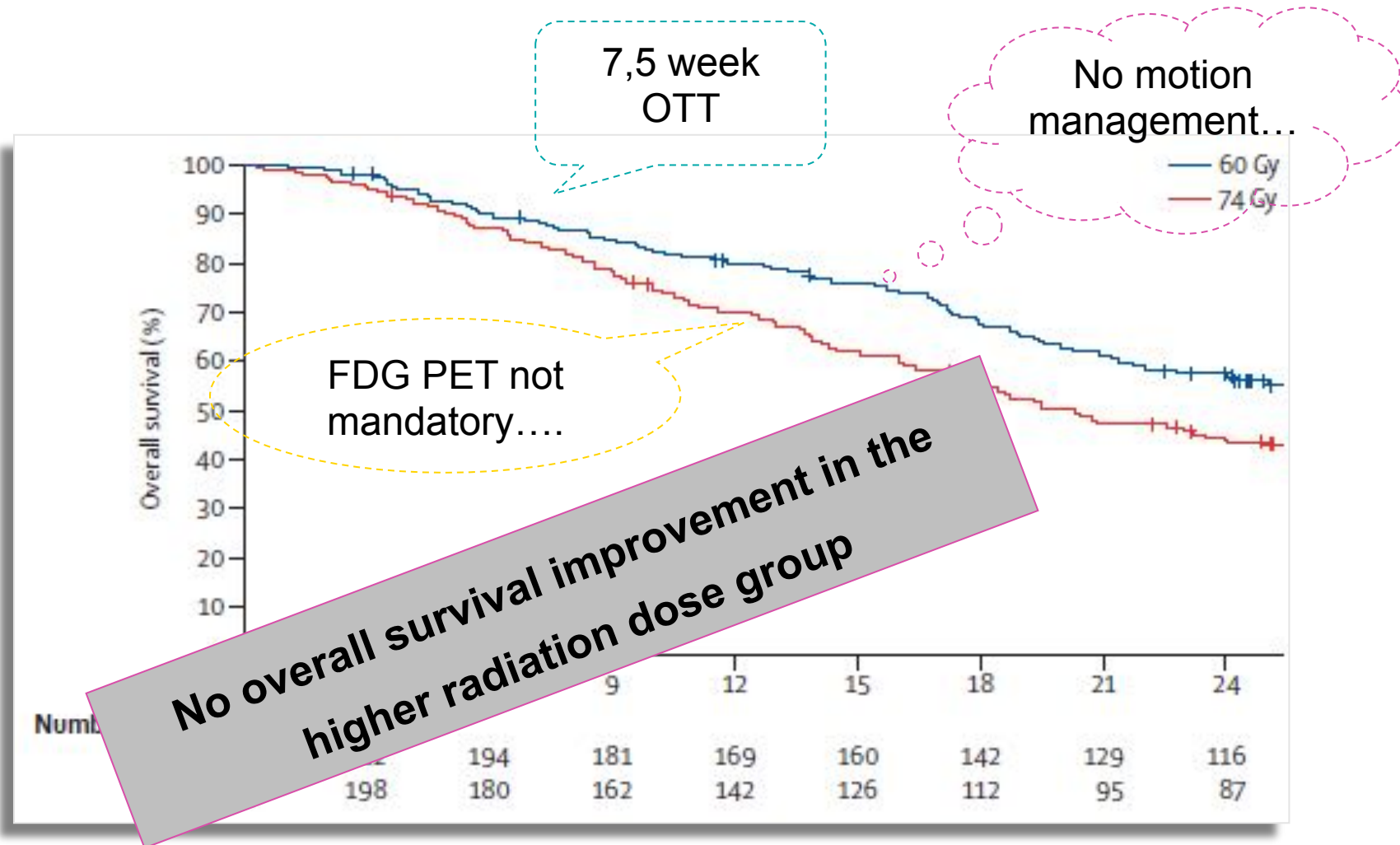
**NCCTG**  
Socinski 2008

**Univ. North Carolina**  
Bradley 2007/2010



# Dose escalation

Standard-dose versus high-dose conformal radiotherapy with concurrent and consolidation carboplatin plus paclitaxel with or without cetuximab for patients with stage IIIA or IIIB non-small-cell lung cancer (RTOG 0617): a randomised, two-by-two factorial phase 3 study



# What's the best option for C.?

NCCN National Comprehensive Cancer Network<sup>®</sup> NCCN Guidelines Version 1.2015 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

[NCCN Guidelines Index](#)  
[NSCLC Table of Contents](#)  
[Discussion](#)

CLINICAL ASSESSMENT      PRETREATMENT EVALUATION      INITIAL TREATMENT

Previously

N3 negative → [See initial treatment for stage I-III A \(NSCL-8\)](#)

Definitive concurrent chemoradiation<sup>K,P,1</sup> (category 1)

Stage IIIB (T1-3, N3)

- Supraclavicular node biopsy
- Thoracoscopy
- Needle biopsy
- Mediastinotomy
- EUS biopsy
- EBUS biopsy

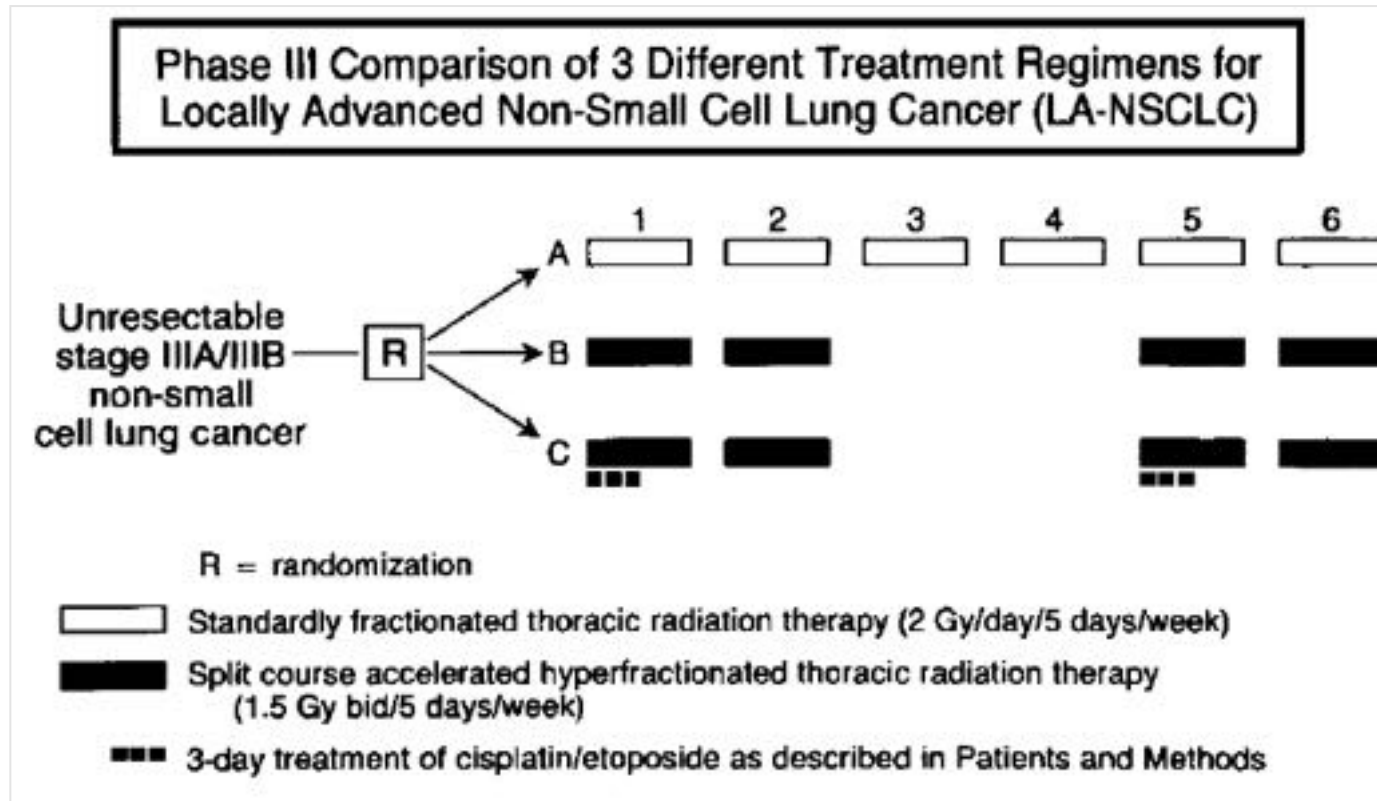
Metastasis

*Locally Advanced NSCLC (Stage II-III) (continued)*

*Accelerated RT regimens may be beneficial, particularly if not concurrent with chemotherapy (ie, in a sequential or RT-only approach). 20,21*

PRINCIPLES OF RADIATION THERAPY (2 of 9)

# Altered Fractionation Radiation Therapy



“Patients with stage III NSCLC treated with **accelerated HFX RT** with or without chemotherapy may have **better freedom from local progression and survival** compared with those receiving standard RT, especially non–squamous-cell carcinoma”

# RT ALONE

## Altered fractionation and and Dose-Escalation

### RTOG 8311      1.2 Gy x 2/daily

(Cox 1990)

CTV doses of 60 Gy, 64.8 Gy, and 69.6 Gy, 74.4-Gy and 79.2-Gy.  
 The best arm received 69.6 Gy in 6.5 weeks (2-year survival rate of 29% p = .02)

### EORC CHART      1.5 Gy x 2/daily

(Saunders 1999)

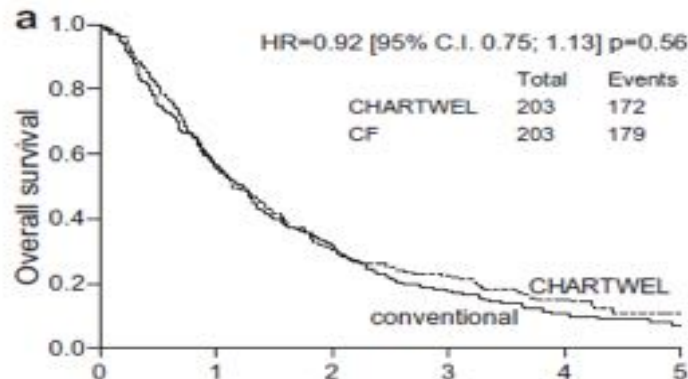
CTV2 = 37.5 Gy in 25 fractions  
 CTV1= boost 16.5 Gy in 11 fractions, for a total dose of 54 Gy

Better OS (20% vs 13% @2y and 20% vs 13% @3y) and LC (17% vs 12%) CHART cfr to standard RT  
 G2-3 dysphagia 49% of CHART vs 19% standard  
 No significant difference in late complications

> **Improvement SCC-82%** (OS @3y 21% vs 11%)

### CHARTWEL      1.5 Gv x 3/die x 13 fx    vs    66Gy 2/die

(Baumann 2011)



No OS or DFS benefit  
 lower fraction of squamous cell cancers (57%)  
 Only 27% concurrent chemo

# Hypofractionation

International Journal of Radiation Oncology\* Biology\* Physics  
 Volume 15, Issue 1, July 1988, Pages 61-68

7192j  
 Original contribution

**Once-a-week vs conventional daily radiation treatment for lung cancer: Final report**<sup>2</sup>

Robert G. Slawson, M.D. FACR<sup>1</sup>, Omar M. Salazar, M.D. FACR<sup>1</sup>, Hipolito Poussin-Rosillo, M.D.<sup>2</sup>, Pradip P.

RANDOMISED TRIAL  
 60Gy /30 fx vs 60Gy/12 weekly fx

CR similar (26% vs 17%) not signific.  
 2y OS 29% hypo vs 23%  
 No oesophigitis in 70% hypo vs 30%

Slawson, 1988

**88 pts Phase I: dose escalation up to 94.5 Gy**  
 in 42 fractions within **6-week**

OTT is safe for small-volume lung tumors with  
 MLD less than or equal to 13.6 Gy or 11.3 Gy

Dose escalation trial	Number of fractions	Dose per fraction (Gy)	Overall treatment time (weeks)	D <sub>max</sub> (Gy)	(BED) (Gy)
University of Michigan 9204 <sup>a</sup>	49	2.10	10	102.9	96
RTOG 93-11 <sup>1</sup>	39	2.15	8	83.8	84
NKI-AVL	42	2.25	6	94.5	108
Dublin <sup>1</sup>	24	3.00	5	72.0	91

Belderbos 2006

**34 pts Phase I: upfront chemoradiation (weekly concurrent docetaxel and cisplatin)**  
 followed by 2 cycles of consolidation hypofx chemotherapy

Dose Parameter, Gy	I	II	III	IV	V
TD	60	63.6	67.2	70.8	74.4
FD	2.00	2.12	2.24	<del>2.36</del>	2.48
BED	64.8	69.9	75.1	80.3	85.7

Bral, 2010

# HypoRT +/- "cutting edge technology" +/- protons....

Dose escalation  
3 Hypofx dose levels

- ✓ 45 Gy(RBE) in 3-Gy(RBE)
- ✓ 52.5 Gy(RBE) in 3.5-Gy(RBE)
- ✓ 60 Gy(RBE) in 4-Gy (RBE) 15 fx

Toxicity

25 pts

Grade	Dermatitis	Pneumonitis	Esophagitis	Fatigue
Grade 0	18	7	15	10
Grade 1	6	13	0	6
Grade 2	1	4	9	9
Grade $\geq 3$	0	1	1	0

Gomez 2013, phase I

Target	Current Dose-Volume Constraints for Standard Fractionated Regimens at our Institution (2-Gy Fractions to 60-74 Gy)	Dose-Volume Constraints in Current Study [BED dose assuming $\alpha/\beta=3$ with 15-fraction regimen)
Total Lung	$V_{20} < 40\%$ Mean Lung Dose $< 20$ Gy	$V_{17} < 40\%$ Mean Lung Dose $< 17.5$ Gy(RBE) [17.1 Gy(RBE)]
Liver	40%	40% $< 40$ Gy(RBE) [38.9 Gy(RBE)]
Kidneys (both)		1/3 $< 18$ Gy(RBE) [17.1 Gy(RBE)]
Esophagus	20% $< 50$ 50% $< 50$	20% $< 55$ Gy(RBE) [52.65 Gy(RBE)] 50% $< 40$ Gy(RBE) [38.9 Gy(RBE)]
Heart	50% $< 30$ Gy 40% $< 40$ Gy	50% $< 25$ Gy(RBE) [24.6 Gy(RBE)] 40% $< 32$ Gy(RBE) [31.9 Gy(RBE)]
Spinal Cord	Maximum dose 45 Gy	Maximum dose 36 Gy(RBE) [35.4 Gy(RBE)]
Brachial Plexus	Maximum dose $< 60$ Gy	Dose to $< 1$ cm <sup>3</sup> must not exceed 50 Gy(RBE) [45.6 Gy(RBE)]

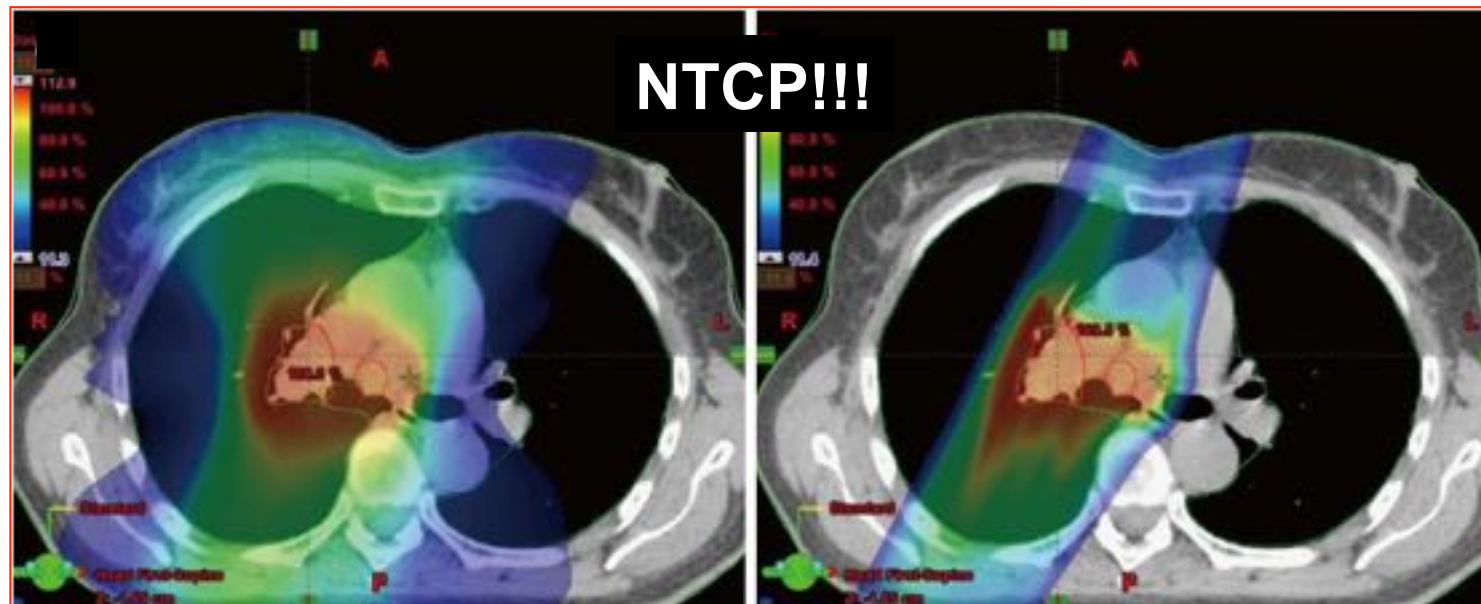
*New schedules...  
new constraints!*

# Cutting edge technology + protons....

## Comparison of dose–volume histograms between proton beam and X-ray conformal radiotherapy for locally advanced non-small-cell lung cancer

criteria:  $V5 \geq 42\%$ ,  $V20 \geq 25\%$ , mean lung dose  $\geq 20$  Gy. The mean normal lung dose and V5 to V50 were significantly lower in PBT than in XCRT. The differences were greater with the more advanced nodal status and with the larger CTV. Furthermore, 45.7% of the X-ray plans were classified as inadequate according to the criteria, whereas 17.1% of the proton plans were considered unsuitable. The number of inadequate X-ray plans increased in cases with advanced nodal stage. This study indicated that some patients who cannot receive photon radiotherapy may be able to be treated using PBT.

Ohno, 2015





# Ongoing research on Proton Therapy

## A Phase I/II Study of Hypofractionated Proton Therapy for Stage II-III Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see [Contacts and Locations](#))

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:  
NCT01770418

Verified September 2014 by Proton Collaborative Group

### Proton Therapy With Cisplatin and Etoposide Followed by Surgery in Stage II-III Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Sponsor:  
Proton

Information provided by (Responsible Party):  
Proton

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see [Contacts and Locations](#))

Verified September 2014 by Proton Collaborative Group

### Comparing Proton Therapy With Cisplatin and Etoposide Followed by Surgery in Stage II-III Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Sponsor:  
University of Pennsylvania

Information provided by (Responsible Party):  
University of Pennsylvania

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see [Contacts and Locations](#))

Verified October 2014 by Proton Collaborative Group

### Intensified Proton Therapy With Cisplatin and Etoposide Followed by Surgery in Stage II-III Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see [Contacts and Locations](#))

Verified October 2014 by Proton Collaborative Group

### Proton Radiation Therapy With Cisplatin and Etoposide Followed by Surgery in Stage III Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer That Can Be Removed by Surgery

Sponsor:  
Massachusetts General Hospital

Information provided by (Responsible Party):  
Massachusetts General Hospital

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see [Contacts and Locations](#))

Verified February 2013 by Abramson Cancer Center of the University of Pennsylvania

### Proton Radiation Therapy With Cisplatin and Etoposide Followed by Surgery in Stage III Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Sponsor:  
Abramson

Information provided by (Responsible Party):  
Abramson

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see [Contacts and Locations](#))

Verified May 2014 by Massachusetts General Hospital

**Sponsor:**  
Massachusetts General Hospital

**Collaborator:**  
National Cancer Institute (NCI)

**Information provided by (Responsible Party):**  
Henning Willers, M.D., Massachusetts General Hospital

## RTOG 1308

**Arm 1:** Photon dose—70 Gy\*(RBE), at 2 Gy (RBE) once daily plus platinum-based doublet chemotherapy\*\*

**Arm 2:** Proton dose—70 Gy (RBE), at 2 Gy (RBE) once daily plus platinum-based doublet chemotherapy\*\*

### Integrated Boost (SIB)

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:

### Small Cell Lung Cancer That Can Be

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:  
NCT01076231

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:  
NCT01565772

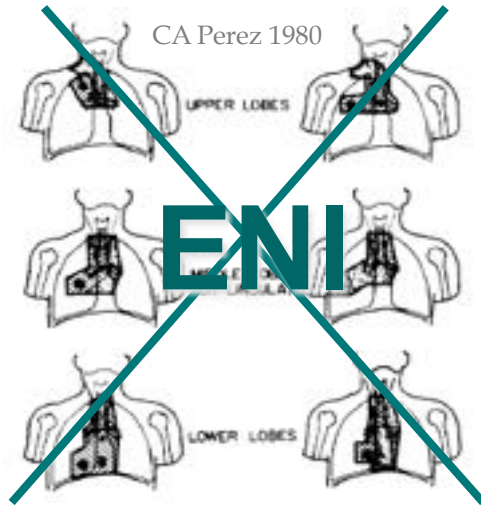
First received: March 26, 2012  
Last updated: May 7, 2014  
Last verified: May 2014  
[History of Changes](#)

## EGFR TKI combined with Radiotehapy +/- chemotherapy

	PHASE	PZ	STAGE	DOSE RT	Chemo	Toxicity ≥ G3	mPFS (mth)	LC	mOS (mts)
Stinchcombe 2008	I	23	III	74	CT RT CT conc q7	9% Ayrtmia 19% Esophagytis	9	24%	16
Choong 2008	II	17 vs 17	III	66	Erlotinib + RT + CDDP&Etoposide or Carbo& Paclitaxel	3% Pneumonitis 26% Esophagytis	9	38%	11&15
Center 2010	I	16	III	70	Docetaxel+Gefitinib + RT	20% Pneumonitis 27% Esophagytis	7	46%	21
Ready 2010	II	21 PR 39 GR	III	66	CT/TKI inductio + RT/TKI +/- chemo + TKI maintenance		5.2 13.4	5%CR 48% & 76% PR 38% 1% SD 5% PD	13 19
Rothschild 2011	I	14	III	63	5 RT	1 G2 polmonite	6	21.4%	12.7
Komaki 2012	II	46	III		Docetaxel + Erlotinib + RT	?	14.5	80%	34
Okamoto 2011	I	9	III A/B		<b>NO CHEMO</b>	1 G2 Esophagytis 1 G3 Pneumonitis	14 (4.5-73)	4/4	NR
Wang 2011	II	26	III/IV	70 (42-82)	<b>NO CHEMO</b>	Grade 3 Esophagytis 4% Grade 3 Pneumonitis 4%	10	96%	30% 3 y
Chang 2011	II	25	IIIb-IV	40-50 Hypofx	<b>NO CHEMO</b>	2 G3	16	84%	62% 3 y
Niho 2012	I	23/37	III	60	<b>NO CHEMO</b>	1 G2 Pneumonitis 1 G3 Pneumonitis	11	73%	65% 2 y
Zhang 2013	I	45	III-IV	54-60	<b>NO CHEMO</b>	1 G3 (nausea)	5.9	11 PR 23 SD 11 PD	NR
Zhuang 2014	I	24	III – IV	46-66	<b>NO CHEMO</b>	4 G2 2 G3 3 G5	Median FU 31 (7-48)	NE	NE

Not outside a clinical trial!

# Clinical Target Volumes



*ISOLATED NODAL RECURRENCE from INVOLVED FIELD  
RADIOTHERAPY*

Belderbos, Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2006	PET	67	3%
De Ruyscher, Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2005	PET	44	2%
Fernandes, Radiother and Oncology 2010	PET	48	4.3%
Sulman, Radiation Oncology 2009	PET	115	1,7%
Fleckenstein, Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2011	PET	33	4%
Bradley, Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys 2012	PET	47	2%



**Intensity-Modulated Radiotherapy, Not 3  
Dimensional Conformal, Is the Preferred  
Technique for Treating Locally Advanced  
Lung Cancer**

Joe Y. Chang, MD, PhD



## Why IMRT?

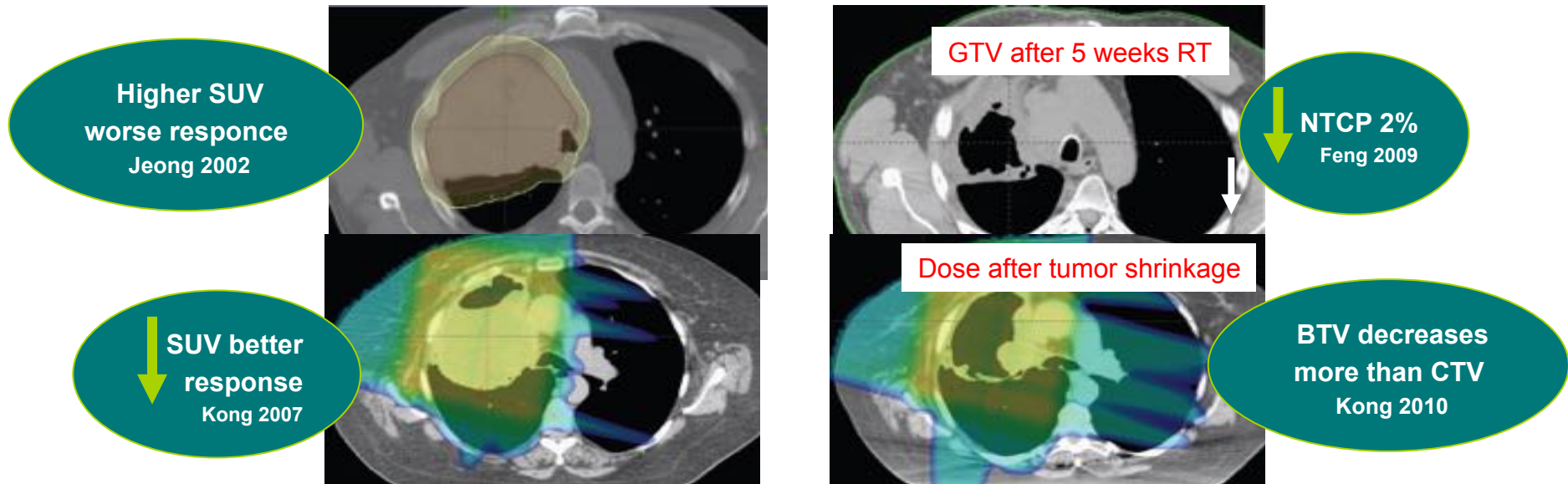
Interplay effects can be minimized with **motion management techniques**

Doesn't compromise local-regional control if radical **doses are used**

Seems (?) to **improve quality of life** (less pneumonitis and esophagitis)

Dose escalation (on anatomical, biological, and molecular volumes) by **SIB** without prolonging treatment time

# FDG-PET Adapted RT



**RTOG 1106: randomized phase II trial of individualized adaptive radiotherapy using during-treatment FDG PET/CT and modern technology in locally advanced NSCLC**

Structure Name	Description	Dose covering 95% volume	
CT1PT1CTV	CT1PT1GTV+5mm	60 Gy or above	<p>46.2 Gy in 2.2 Gy /die</p> <p>PET/CT based boost</p> <p>18/19 Fx of 2.2-3.8 Gy/die</p>
CT1PT1PTV	CT1PT1CTV+5mm	50 Gy or above	
CT2PTV	PTV based on CT2GTV	70 Gy or above**	
PT2PTV	PT2GTV+5mm	Up to 80.4 Gy	

## cT2N3M0 (IIIB)

Pre-treated with chemotherapy (reporting a G4 haemathologic toxicity)

The best for Claudia probably should have been RT-CT  
...but: at this point?

**RT-CT after 5 cycles of CT? NO: RT alone**

**Is there a role for combinign TKI with RT in stage III? Not yet**

**What fractionation/total dose? 60 Gy, standard fractionation**

**Clinical target volumes? No ENI, T post CT**

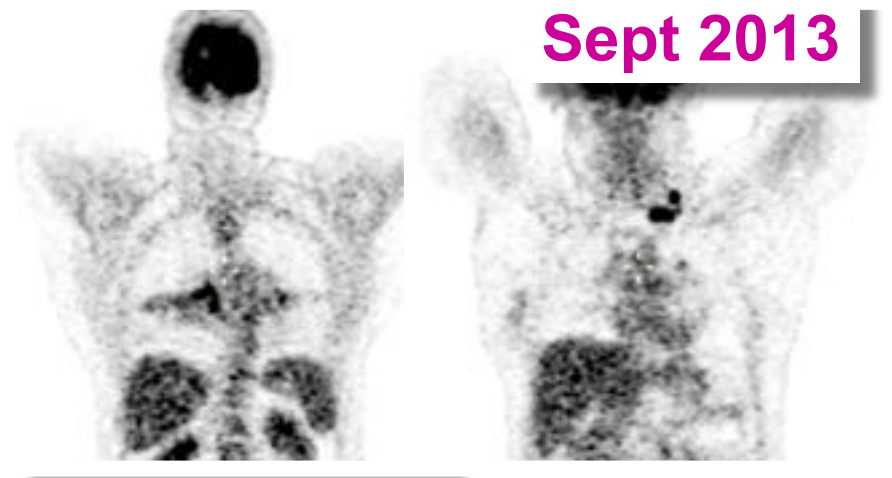
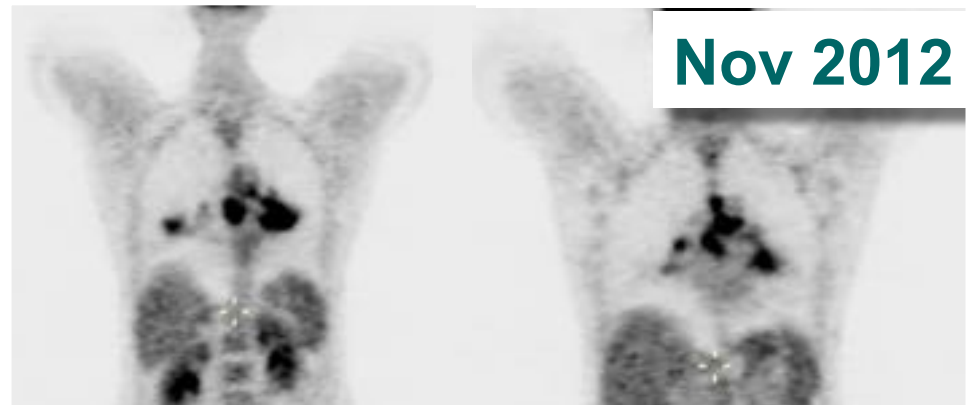
**IMRT? possibly**

**4D? possibly**

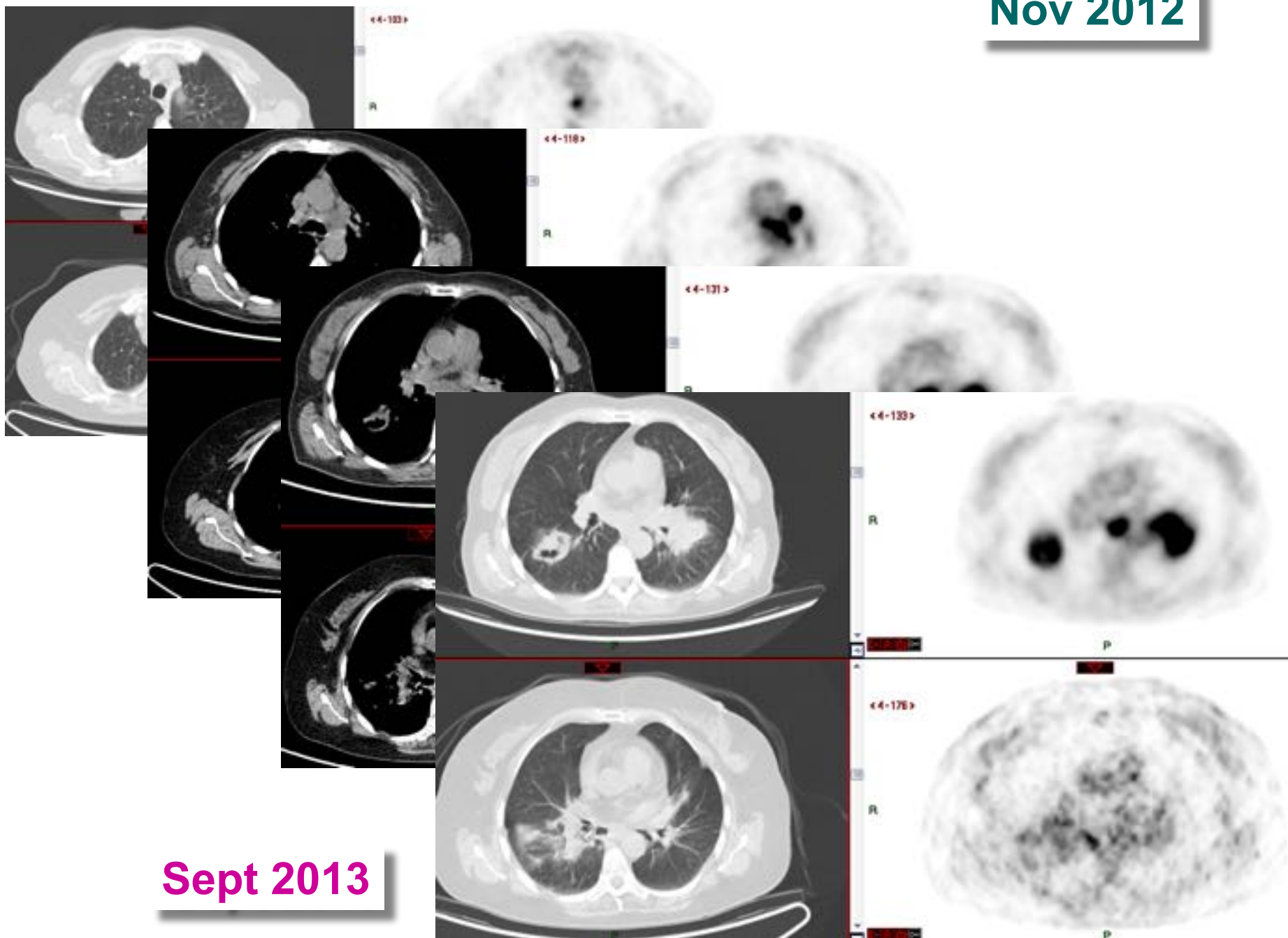
**Adaptive RT possibly (PR, but no significant change in PTV)**

**Proton therapy? Not yet**

- ✓ Post-CT 5 cycles
- ✓ Radiotherapy alone
- ✓ 60 Gy
- ✓ Standard fractionation 2/die
- ✓ IMRT
- ✓ No motion management
- ✓ Acute toxicity: dysphagia G2



Nov 2012



Sept 2013



***So many questions ...***

***too much answers***

*Se in quell'istante avesse fatto in tempo a dire in modo lucido e consapevole a se stesso: "Sì, per questo attimo si può dare tutta la vita!", allora quell'istante sarebbe senz'altro valso un'intera vita.*

"L'idiota" Fedor Dostoevskij