

# **Evidenze cliniche della SBRT: NSCLC in stadio iniziale e malattia oligometastatica**

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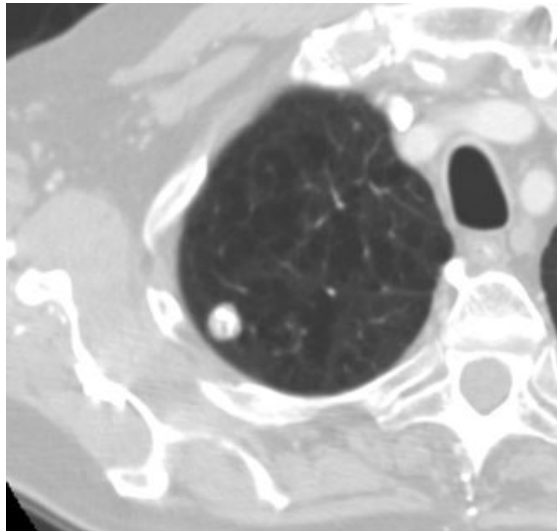
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# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: AN INCREASING POPULATION

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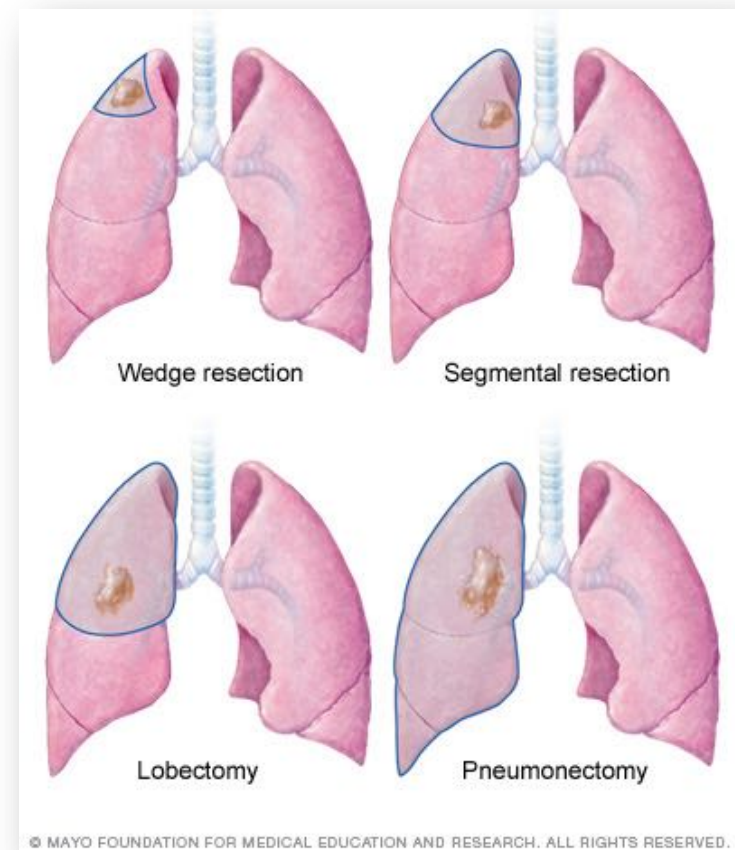
- CT screening of patients at high risk can reduce cancer mortality.
- With such screening, ***NSCLC will likely be identified more often and in earlier stages*** than in the past.

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: TREATMENT OPTIONS

➤ **Surgery is still the preferred definitive treatment** for early stage NSCLC, with **overall survival of 60–70%.**

➤ Surgical lobectomy may be associated with significant morbidity and mortality, **and up to 25% of the patients cannot be operated** due to a poor pulmonary function or comorbidities.

➤ With **the wait and see policy**, the overall median survival of these patients is only **9 months.**



# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: TREATMENT OPTIONS

For patients **with comorbidities or who refuse invasive treatments**, SBRT has emerged over the past decade **as the standard of care** for the medically inoperable patient with early stage lung cancer.



- The non-surgical treatment of choice for stage I NSCLC is stereotactic ablative radiotherapy (SABR). The dose should be to a biologically equivalent tumour dose of  $\geq 100$  Gy, prescribed to the encompassing isodose [III, A].

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: SABR

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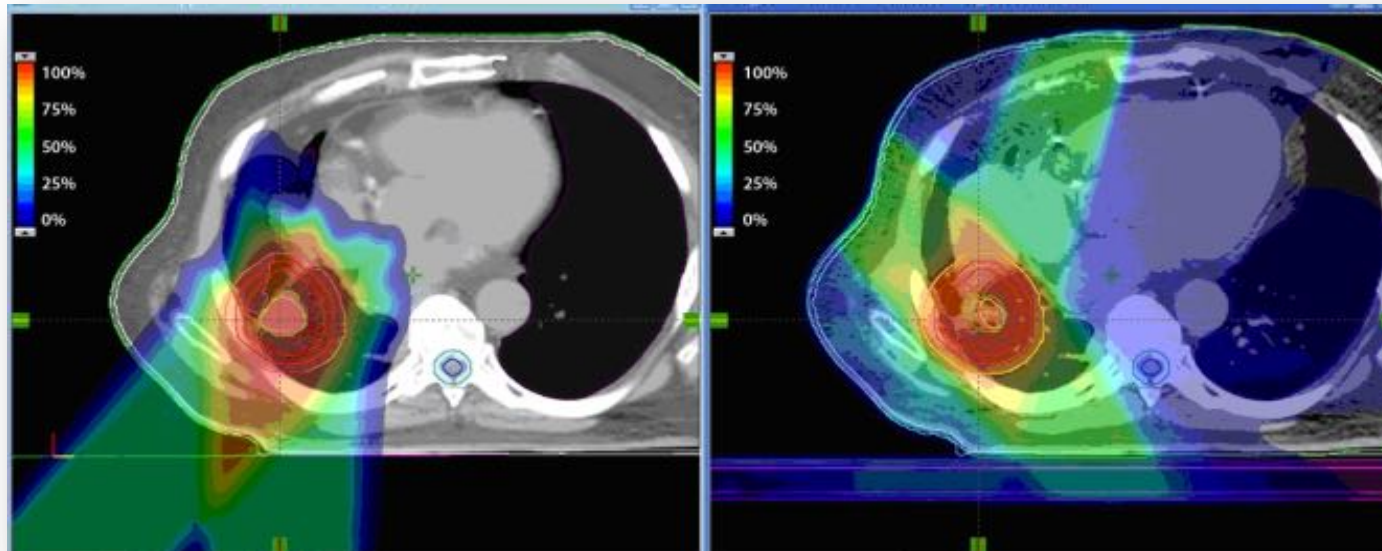
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# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: TREATMENT OPTIONS

- Until recently, for non operable stage I NSCLC, conventional RT (3D-CRT) has been the treatment of choice reaching **local recurrence of 30-50%** and specific survival of 39% at 3 years
- Therefore, 3DCRT could not meet the demand to replace surgery





# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: HOW SABR IS EFFECTIVE?

## SPACE Trial

SBRT (66Gy /3 fr) vs 3D-CRT (70Gy/7wks)

Nyman WCLC 2015

*ClinicalTrials.gov*

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Trial record **46 of 12888** for: radiotherapy

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### Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy Versus Conventional Radiotherapy in Medically-Inoperable Non-Small Lung Cancer Patients (LUSTRE)

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

*Verified August 2015 by Ontario Clinical Oncology Group (OCOG)*

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# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: HOW SABR IS EFFECTIVE? PROSPECTIVE TRIALS

**Table 1.** Prospective trials of SBRT for stage I lung cancer

| Author (yr)   | Type/Stage  | No. of patients | Dose                   | Median follow-up (mo) | Outcomes  |
|---|---|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Timmerman et al. [6] (2003)<br>McGarry et al. [12] (2005) | Phase I/Stage I NSCLC                               | 47              | 8 Gy x 3 to 20 Gy x 3  | 19.1–27.4             | 1-yr LC: 64.7%<br>3-yr OS: 64%                      |
| Hoyer et al. [13] (2006)                                  | Prospective/Stage I NSCLC                           | 40              | 15 Gy x 3              | 28.8                  | 2-yr LC: 85%<br>2-yr CSS: 62%<br>2-yr OS: 48%       |
| Baumann et al. [14] (2009)                                | Phase II/Stage I NSCLC                              | 70              | 15 Gy x 3 to 67%       | 35                    | 3-yr LC: 92%<br>3-yr CSS: 88%<br>3-yr OS: 60%       |
| Timmerman et al. [15] (2010)                              | RTOG Phase II/T1-2N0M0 NSCLC (peripherally located) | 55              | 18 Gy x 3              | 34.4                  | 3-yr LC: 97.6%<br>3-yr DFS: 48.3%<br>3-yr OS: 55.8% |
| Ricardi et al. [16] (2010)                                | Phase II/Stage I NSCLC                              | 62              | 15 Gy x 3              | 28                    | 3-yr LC: 87.8%<br>3-yr CSS: 72.5%<br>3-yr OS: 57.1% |
| Bral et al. [17] (2011)                                   | Phase II/T1-3N0M0                                   | 40              | 20 Gy x 3<br>15 Gy x 4 | 16                    | 2-yr LC: 84%<br>2-yr CSS: 64%<br>2-yr OS: 52%       |

SBRT, stereotactic body radiotherapy; NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; LC, local control; CSS, cancer-specific survival; OS, overall survival; DFS, disease-free survival; RTOG, Radiation Therapy Oncology Group.

- Total doses :45-66 Gy in 3 or 4 fr,
- 2–3 years LC: 84%–98%
- 1–3 years OS 43%– 72%

## HOW ABLATIVE SBRT IS EFFECTIVE? LOCAL CONTROL AND DOSE FACTOR



SBRT produced **LC in excess of 90%** for patients with early stage NSCLC when the biological effective **dose (BED)** to the planning target volume (PTV) is **greater than 100 Gy**.

- Lagerwaard FJ, et al. *Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys* 2008.
- Timmerman R, et al. *JAMA* 2010
- Chang JY, et al. *Radiat Oncol* 2012.
- Taremi M, et al. *Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys* 2012.

# HOW ABLATIVE SBRT IS EFFECTIVE?

## LOCAL CONTROL AND DOSE FACTOR

### BED ESCALATION IS NECESSARY BETTER??



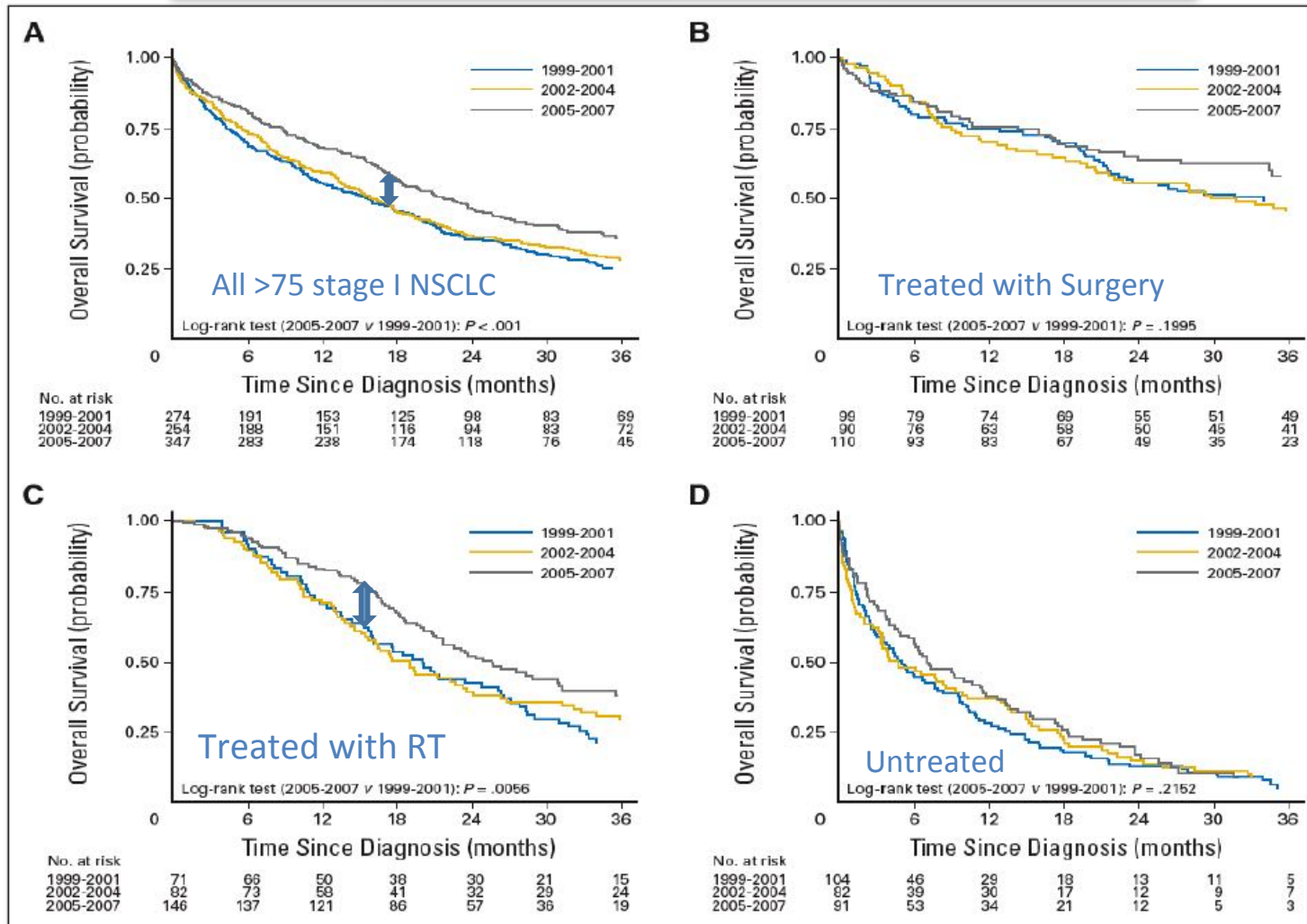
➤ *Onishi et al*: LC was significantly improved with **BED greater than 100 Gy** (prescription dose at isocenter), with 5-year LC rate of 84% for BED10 > 100 Gy vs. 37% for BED10 < 100 Gy ( $p < 0.001$ ).

➤ *Kestin et al* : a significant correlation between **BED10 > 105 Gy** (prescription to the edge of the PTV, with 60%–90% of the isocenter dose) and higher local control.

➤ *Zhang et al*: based on the BED quartiles (low, medium, medium–high, and high), **outcome got worse for BED below 83.2 Gy and for BED exceeding 146 Gy.**

➤ *Koshy et al*: T2 tumors treated with a **BED10 > 150 Gy** (roughly equal to 54 Gy in 3 fractions) **had a significantly improved survival** compared with patients treated with a BED10 < 150 Gy [22].

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: TREATMENT HABITS .. WIND IS CHANGING



**Fig 3.** Overall survival for elderly (age  $\geq 75$  years) patients with stage I non-small-cell lung cancer by time period. (A) All patients; (B) patients treated with surgery; (C) patients treated with radiotherapy; (D) untreated patients.

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# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: SAFETY SABR

Int. J. Radiation Oncology Biol. Phys., Vol. 82, No. 1, pp. 457–462, 2012

## A DOSE–VOLUME ANALYSIS OF RADIATION PNEUMONITIS IN NON–SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER PATIENTS TREATED WITH STEREOTACTIC BODY RADIATION THERAPY

| Author                   | SBRT dosing schema   | <b>~2% Grade 3 Pneumonitis</b>                                | Scoring criteria       |
|--------------------------|--|---|------------------------|
| Barriger                 | Multiple (Table 1)   | 9.4%<br>7% Grade 2<br>2% Grade 3<br>0.4% Grade 4              | CTC v2                 |
| McGarry<br>Phase I trial | 8 Gy × 3 = 24 Gy<br>10 Gy × 3 = 30 Gy<br>12 Gy × 3 = 36 Gy<br>14 Gy × 3 = 42 Gy<br>16 Gy × 3 = 48 Gy<br>18 Gy × 3 = 54 Gy<br>20 Gy × 3 = 60 Gy<br>22 Gy × 3 = 66 Gy<br>24 Gy × 3 = 72 Gy | 8.4%<br>2% Grade 2<br>6.4% Grade 3                            | CTC v2                 |
| Onishi                   | Various<br>18–75 Gy in 1–25 fractions*†  | 6.5 %<br>4.1% Grade 2<br>1.2% Grade 3<br>1.2% Grade 4         | CTC v2                 |
| Nagata                   | 12 Gy × 4 = 48 Gy*   | 4%<br>No Grade 3–4  | CTC v2                 |
| Ricardi                  | 15 Gy × 3 = 45 Gy  | 3.2% Grade 3<br>(Required steroids or<br>intermittent oxygen) | RTOG                   |
| Stephans                 | 20 Gy × 3 = 60 Gy<br>10 Gy × 5 = 50 Gy   | 2/86 Grade 2<br>(Required steroids)                           | Not stated<br>in paper |
| Grills                   | 12 Gy × 4 = 48 Gy<br>12 Gy × 5 = 60 Gy   | 11%<br>9% Grade 2<br>2% Grade 3                               | CTC v3                 |
| Timmerman<br>RTOG 0236   | 20 Gy × 3<br>(without heterogeneity corrections)<br>18 Gy × 3<br>(with heterogeneity corrections)  | 3.6% Grade 3  | CTC v3                 |

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: SAFETY SABR

## Is There a Lower Limit of Pretreatment Pulmonary Function for Safe and Effective Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy for Early-Stage Non-small Cell Lung Cancer?

*Journal of Thoracic Oncology* • Volume 7, Number 3, March 2012

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**TABLE 6.** Literature Review of Studies Reporting Changes of Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) after SBRT for Stage I NSCLC

| Study            | No. of Patients | Time to Post-SBRT PFT | PFT                | Median Pretreatment PF | Median Posttreatment/Change of PF |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Henderson (2008) | 70              | 12                    | FEV1 (L)           | 1.05                   | NS                                |
|                  |                 |                       | DLCO (ml/min/mmHg) | 10.06                  | -1.11 <sup>a</sup>                |
| Stephans (2009)  | 92              | 10                    | FEV1 (L)           | 1.21                   | 1.15                              |
|                  |                 |                       | DLCO% (%)          | 56.5                   | 53.9                              |
| Bral (2010)      | 40              | NS                    | FEV1               | NS                     | -3%                               |
|                  |                 |                       | DLCO               | NS                     | -3%                               |
| Collins          | 24              | 12                    | FEV1% (%)          | 61                     | NS                                |
|                  |                 |                       | DLCO% (%)          | 61                     | 51 <sup>a</sup>                   |
| Miyamota (2007)  | 50              | 12                    | FEV1 (L)           | 1.48                   | 1.42 <sup>a</sup>                 |
|                  |                 |                       | DLCO (ml/min/mmHg) | 9.92                   | 9.25                              |
| Fritz (2008)     | 40              | 36                    | FEV1 (L)           | 1.4                    | 1.4                               |
| Baumann (2008)   | 60              | 14                    | FEV1% (%)          | 49                     | 52.5                              |
| Ohashi           | 15              | 12                    | FEV1 (L)           | 1.99                   | 1.8                               |
|                  |                 |                       | DLCO (ml/min/mmHg) | 13.65                  | 17.85 <sup>a</sup>                |

<sup>a</sup> Statistically significant.

SBRT, stereotactic body radiotherapy; NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; PF, pulmonary function; FEV1, forced expiratory volume in 1 sec; DLCO, diffusing capacity for carbon monoxide.

**SABR is safe even for patients with a poor pulmonary function**



# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: TOXICITY SABR

Chest wall pain (5-10%)  
Rib fracture (<5%)

## DOSE-VOLUME PARAMETERS PREDICT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHEST WALL PAIN AFTER STEREOTACTIC BODY RADIATION FOR LUNG CANCER

*Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys.* 2012 April 1; 82(5): 1783–1790.

Robert W. Mutter, M.D.<sup>\*</sup>, Fan Liu, Ph.D.<sup>†</sup>, Andres Abreu, B.S.<sup>‡</sup>, Ellen Yorke, Ph.D.<sup>†</sup>, Andrew Jackson, Ph.D.<sup>†</sup>, and Kenneth E. Rosenzweig, M.D.<sup>§</sup>

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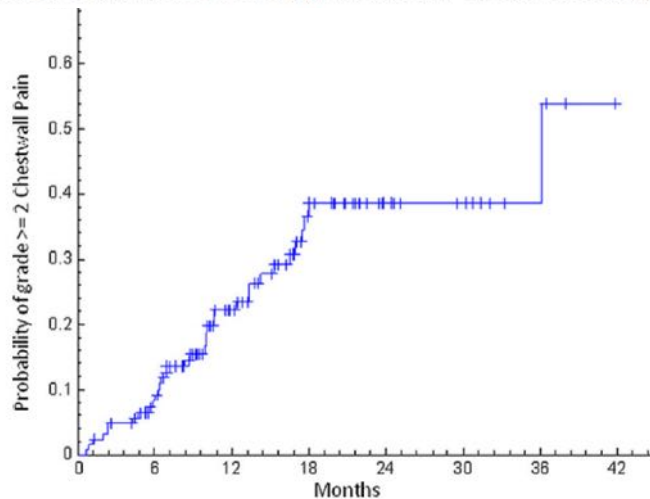
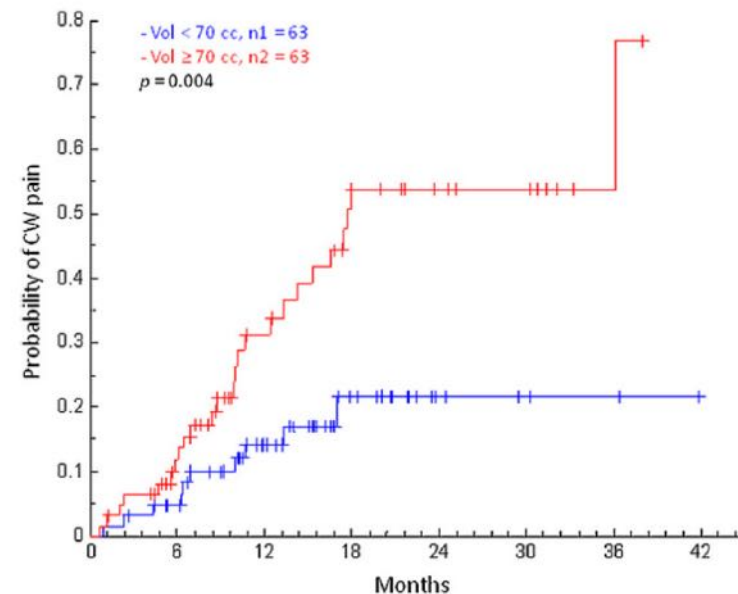


Fig. 3.  
Kaplan-Meier curve describing cumulative incidence of developing Grade  $\geq 2$  chest wall pain.



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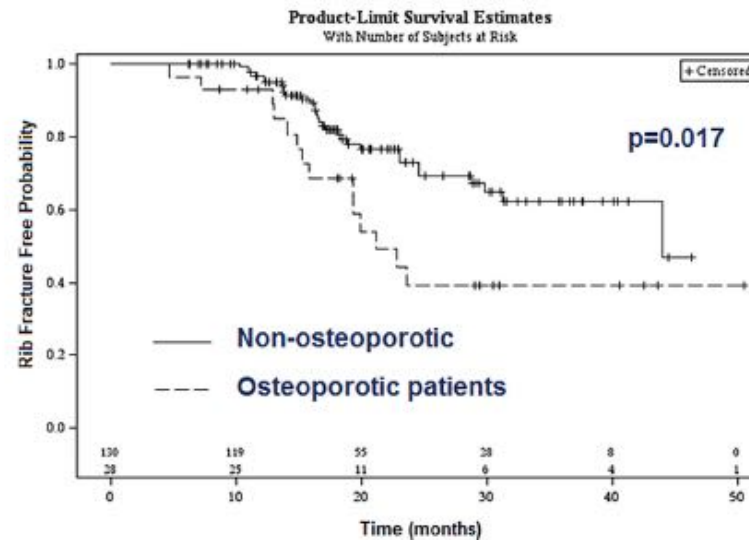
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Predictors of Chest Wall Toxicity after Lung Stereotactic Ablative  
Radiotherapy<sup>☆</sup>

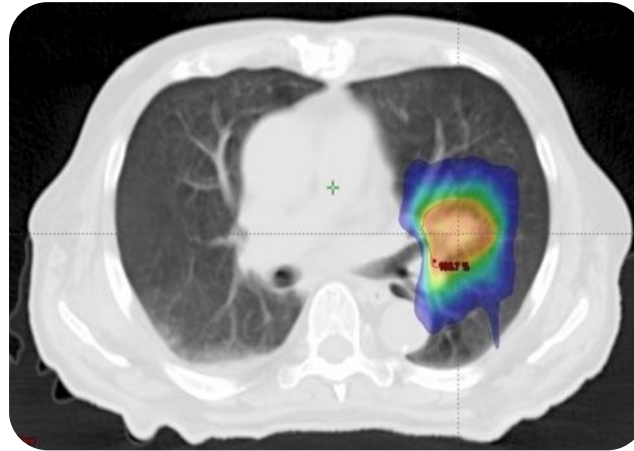
Clinical Oncology xxx (2015) 1–8

I. Thibault<sup>\*</sup>, A. Chiang<sup>\*</sup>, D. Erler<sup>\*</sup>, L. Yeung<sup>†</sup>, I. Poon<sup>\*</sup>, A. Kim<sup>\*</sup>, B. Keller<sup>\*</sup>, F. Lochray<sup>\*</sup>,  
S. Jain<sup>‡</sup>, H. Soliman<sup>\*</sup>, P. Cheung<sup>\*</sup>

- Increased risk for rib fracture in case of osteoporosis



# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: IS SABR REALLY SAFE?



The use of SABR for lesions that are **centrally located** and thus close to critical normal structures within the thorax is controversial.

- Timmerman R. *J Clin Oncol* 2006.
- Chang JY, et al. *Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys* 2008
- Milano MT, et al. *Radiother Oncol* 2009.
- Song SY, et al. *Lung Cancer* 2009.
- Haasbeek CJ, et al. *J Thorac Oncol* 2011.
- Rowe BP, et al. *J Thorac Oncol* 2012;7:1394–1399.
- Nuyttens JJ, et al. *Radiother Oncol* 2012.

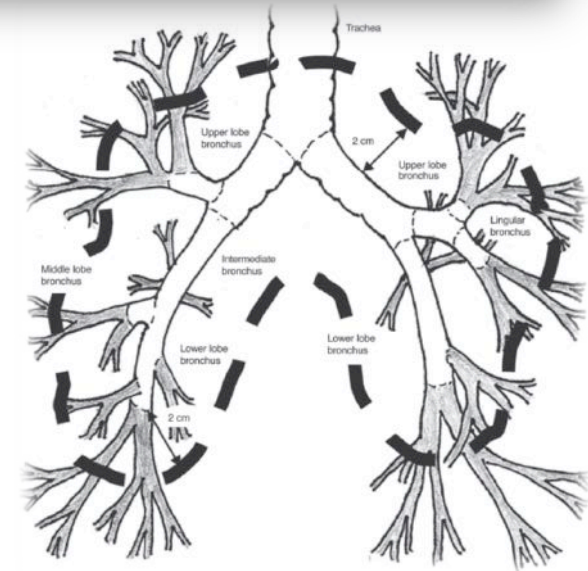
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ORIGINAL REPORT

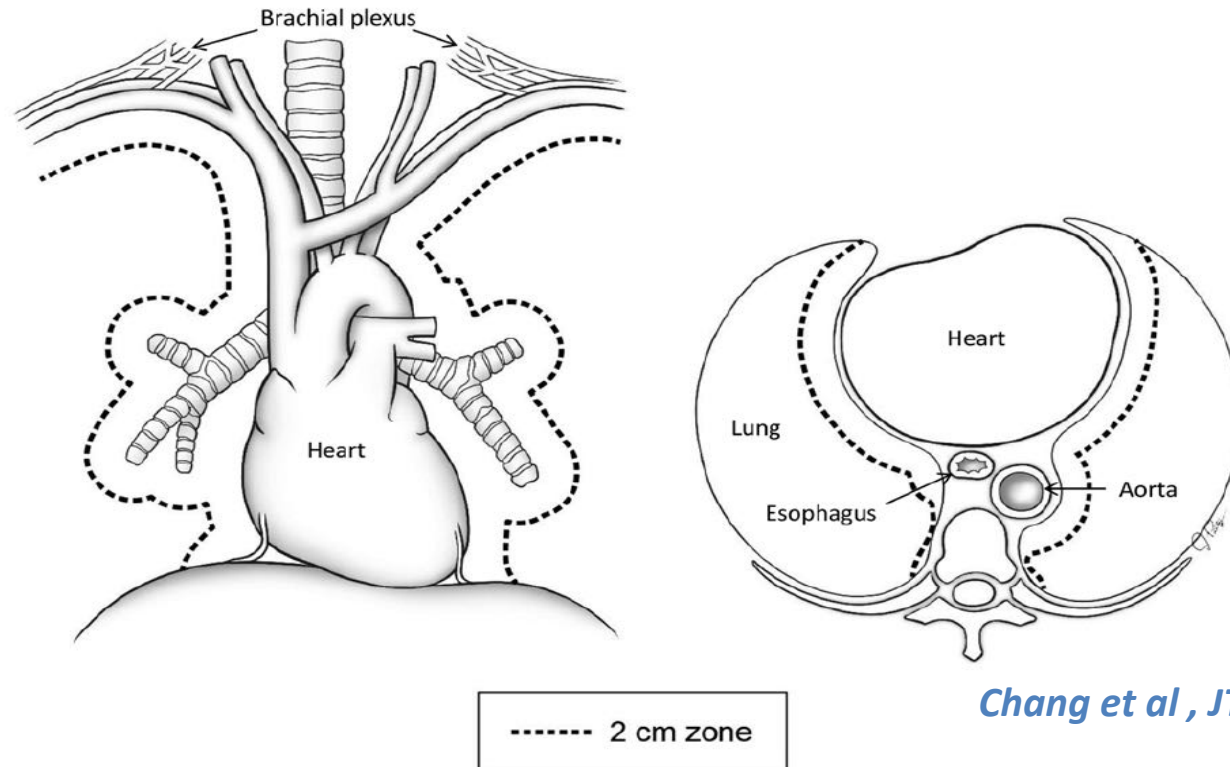
Excessive Toxicity When Treating Central Tumors in a Phase II Study of Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy for Medically Inoperable Early-Stage Lung Cancer

Both univariate and multivariate analysis showed that **tumor location (hilar/pericentral v peripheral)** was a strong predictor of toxicity ( $P$  .004).



*Timmerman R, JCO 2008; 24:4833-4839*

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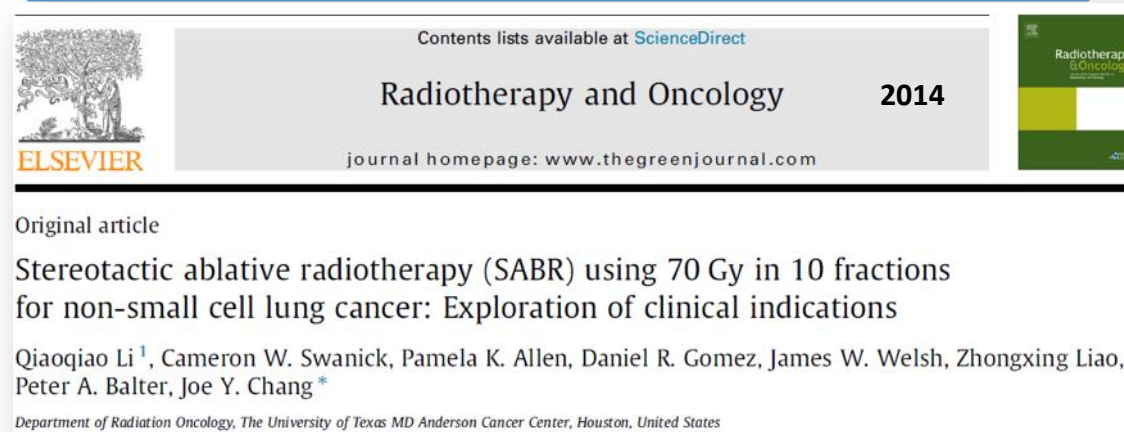
Thus, delivery of ablative doses of radiation to **critical structures** such as bronchial tree, esophagus, major vessels, heart, and the brachial plexus/phrenic nerve could produce severe, potentially lethal toxic effects.

Treatment involving additional fractions should be considered for such lesions

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: IS SABR REALLY SAFE?

➤ Appropriate case selection and SABR dose regimens based on target location are crucial to reduce toxicity.

## Risk-adapted Dose Prescription:



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Original article

Stereotactic ablative radiotherapy (SABR) using 70 Gy in 10 fractions for non-small cell lung cancer: Exploration of clinical indications

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**Conclusions:** SABR with 70 Gy in 10 fractions appears to achieve excellent local control and acceptable toxicity for clinically challenging cases with improved tolerance of the chest wall and brachial plexus as compared with 50 Gy in 4 fractions. This regimen may not be suitable in patients with tumor invading critical central structures. More studies are needed to validate our conclusions.

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Table 2. Commonly Used Doses for SABR

| Total Dose | # Fractions | Example Indications  |
|------------|-------------|--|
| 25-34 Gy   | 1           | Peripheral, small (<2 cm) tumors, esp. >1 cm from chest wall     |
| 45-60 Gy   | 3           | Peripheral tumors and >1 cm from chest wall                      |
| 48-50 Gy   | 4           | Central or peripheral tumors <4-5 cm, esp. <1 cm from chest wall |
| 50-55 Gy   | 5           | Central or peripheral tumors, esp. <1 cm from chest wall         |
| 60-70 Gy   | 8-10        | Central tumors   |

Table 3. Maximum Dose Constraints for SABR\*

| OAR/Regimen                      | 1 Fraction | 3 Fractions         | 4 Fractions            | 5 Fractions            |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Spinal Cord                      | 14 Gy      | 18 Gy<br>(6 Gy/fx)  | 26 Gy<br>(6.5 Gy/fx)   | 30 Gy<br>(6 Gy/fx)     |
| Esophagus                        | 15.4 Gy    | 30 Gy<br>(10 Gy/fx) | 30 Gy<br>(7.5 Gy/fx)   | 32.5 Gy<br>(6.5 Gy/fx) |
| Brachial Plexus                  | 17.5 Gy    | 21 Gy<br>(7 Gy/fx)  | 27.2 Gy<br>(6.8 Gy/fx) | 30 Gy<br>(6 Gy/fx)     |
| Heart/<br>Pericardium            | 22 Gy      | 30 Gy<br>(10 Gy/fx) | 34 Gy<br>(8.5 Gy/fx)   | 35 Gy<br>(7 Gy/fx)     |
| Great Vessels                    | 37 Gy      | 39 Gy<br>(13 Gy/fx) | 49 Gy<br>(12.25 Gy/fx) | 55 Gy<br>(11 Gy/fx)    |
| Trachea &<br>Proximal<br>Bronchi | 20.2 Gy    | 30 Gy<br>(10 Gy/fx) | 34.8 Gy<br>(8.7 Gy/fx) | 32.5 Gy<br>(6.5 Gy/fx) |
| Rib                              | 30 Gy      | 30 Gy<br>(10 Gy/fx) | 30 Gy<br>(7.5 Gy/fx)   | 32.5 Gy<br>(6.5 Gy/fx) |
| Skin                             | 26 Gy      | 30 Gy<br>(10 Gy/fx) | 36 Gy<br>(9 Gy/fx)     | 40 Gy<br>(8 Gy/fx)     |
| Stomach                          | 12.4 Gy    | 27 Gy<br>(9 Gy/fx)  | 30 Gy<br>(7.5 Gy/fx)   | 35 Gy<br>(7 Gy/fx)     |

\*Based on constraints used in recent and ongoing RTOG SABR trials (RTOG 0618, 0813, & 0915).

Note: All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated.

Clinical Trials: NCCN believes that the best management of any cancer patient is in a clinical trial. Participation in clinical trials is especially encouraged.

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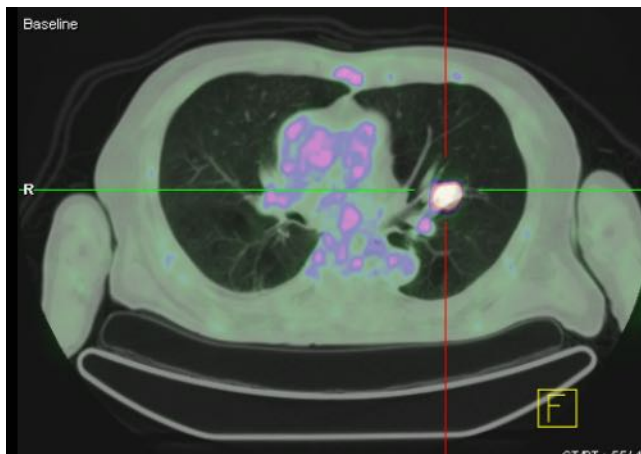
## Risk-adapted Dose Prescription:

| Dose  | Topographical Criteria |                  |                           |
|---|------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
|   | Distance to Chest Wall | Size             | Distance to Main Bronchus |
| 54-60 Gy<br>(16-20 Gy/fr x 3 fractions)           | > 1 cm                 | < 2cm            | > 2 cm                    |
| 48-55 Gy<br>(10-12 Gy/fr x 4-5 fractions)         | > 1 cm                 | <2 cm and < 5 cm | > 2 cm                    |
| 60-70 Gy<br>(7.5 Gy/fr x 8 fractions<br>or 7 X10) | < 1 cm                 | < 5 cm           | > 1 cm<br>and < 2cm       |

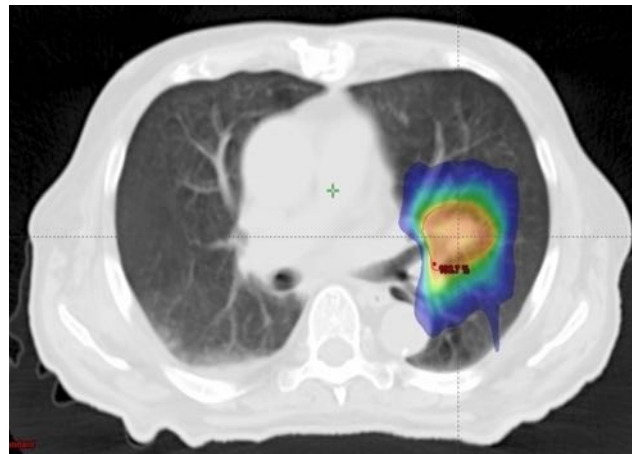


# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: CAN WE TREAT SAFE?

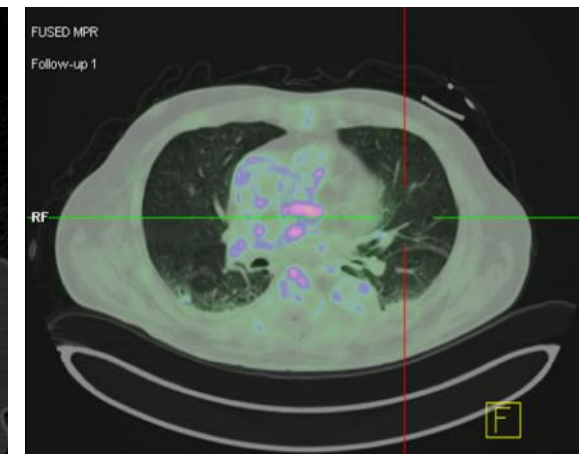
Male 73 y. Ultra-Central NSCLC



CT-PET before SABR



Planning CT



CT-PET after 60 days

CR @ CT-PET after 70 Gy/10 fr. with FFF beams

# **ABLATIVE (SB)RT: A NEW TECHNOLOGY FOR NEW INDICATIONS?**

With new technology devices, now is possible to delivery high (when requested also ablative) doses to the target, especially to small volumes



**PRECISION DEVICES TO DELIVERY RADIATION**

## ***ABLATIVE (SB)RT: WHAT IS THE BEST NEW TECHNOLOGY?***

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35 of the 45 studies covering 91% of the patients used a linear accelerator (Linac) and 11 (14%) a robotic mounted linac (Cyberknife).

**There was non survival or local PFS difference** with different RT technologies used for SABR

## **EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: SABR EVIDENCES FOR UNOPERABLE PATIENTS**

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**SABR is effective** with dose at least of 100 Gy

✓BED with high local control and Survival rate

**SABR could be considered safe**

✓Risk adapted dose prescription is suggested for centrally located (or close to OARs)

**No evidences** of superiority of one delivery **technique** to the other

**But what evidences about operable patients????**

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# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: WHAT ABOUT OPERABLE PATIENTS??

**Surgery or stereotactic ablative radiation therapy: how will be treated operable patients with early stage not small cell lung cancer in the next future?**

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**SABR role in pts suitable for curative surgery is yet to be defined.**

- To date, the large amount of data of SABR for early stage NSCLC regards populations of *patients excluded from surgery*.
- The absence of randomized trials in this setting does not imply the absence of potential evidence on efficacy of SABR as well as surgery *in early stage operable* NSCLC patients

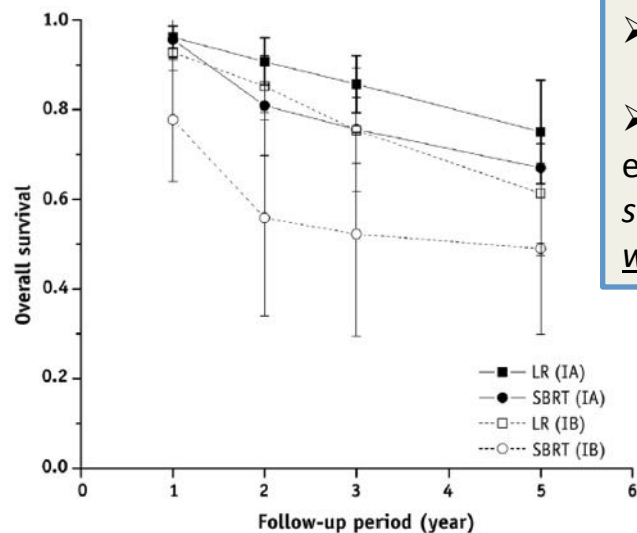
# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: WHAT ABOUT OPERABLE PATIENTS??



## Survival Outcome After Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy and Surgery for Stage I Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: A Meta-Analysis

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➤ A meta-analysis with 40 SABR studies (4,850 patients) and 23 surgery studies (7,071 patients), published in the same period.



➤ Better treatment outcomes were provided by surgery.

➤ Nevertheless, adjusting patient profile differences, extrapolative analysis shows that *SABR produced non-inferior survival outcomes in comparison to surgery, especially in patients with operable stage I NSCLC*

**SBRT may be comparable to surgery in patients with operable diseases and favorable physical conditions**

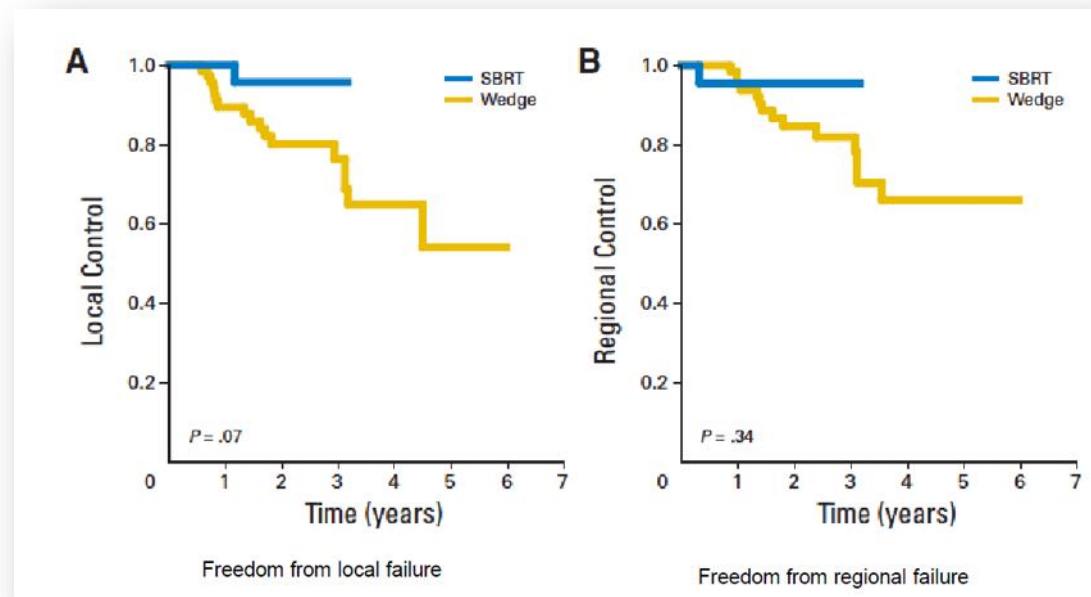
# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: HOW SABR IS EFFECTIVE? SURVIVAL



## Outcomes After Stereotactic Lung Radiotherapy or Wedge Resection for Stage I Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer

Inga S. Grills, Victor S. Mangona, Robert Welsh, Gary Chmielewski, Erika McInerney, Shannon Martin, Jennifer Wloch, Hong Ye, and Larry L. Kestin

➤ 120 Early Stage NSCLC, not eligible for lobectomy underwent SBRT or Wedge resection



**SABR is better than wedge resection**



# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: WHAT ABOUT OPERABLE PATIENTS??

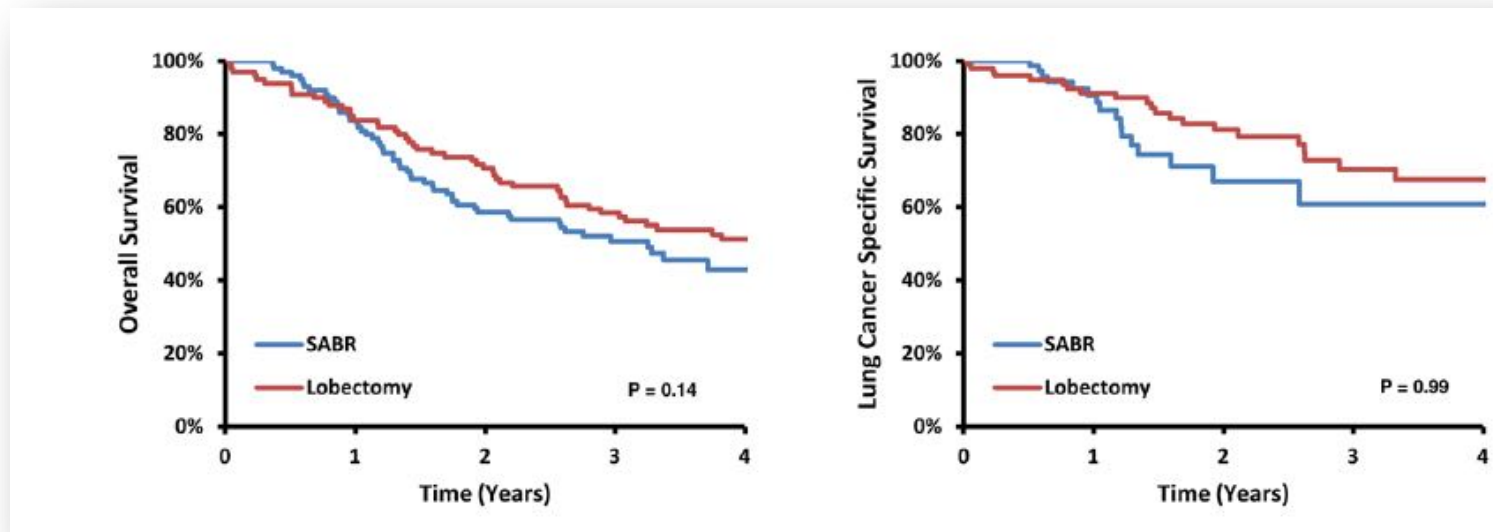


## Lobectomy, Sublobar Resection, and Stereotactic Radiation for Early-Stage Non-Small Cell Lung Cancers in the Elderly

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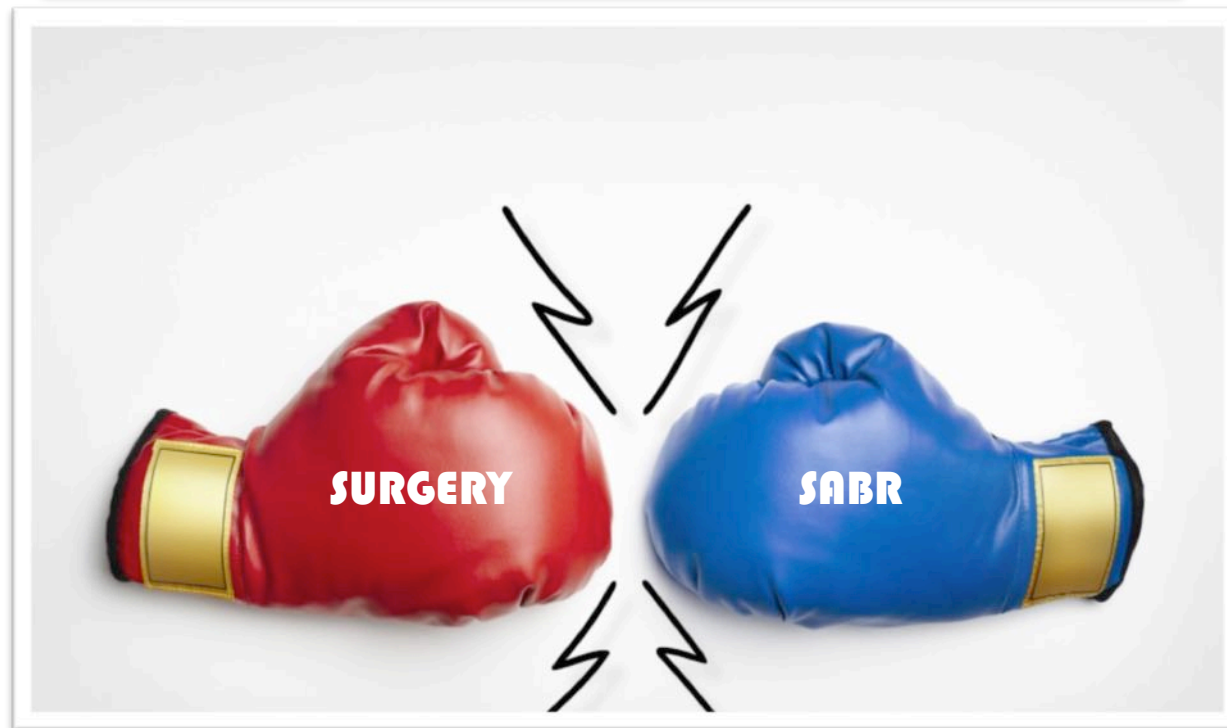
➤ *JAMA Surg* 2014.

9093 elderly patients with early-stage NSCLC, node-negative



Population-based studies and propensity-matched analyses demonstrate that SABR produces overall survival (OS) and disease-specific survival rates similar to those after lobectomy.....

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: IS SABR EFFECTIVE AS SURGERY?



➤ Unfortunately data on Randomized Trial between SURGERY and SABR are not still available.

However.....

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*Lancet Oncol 2015*

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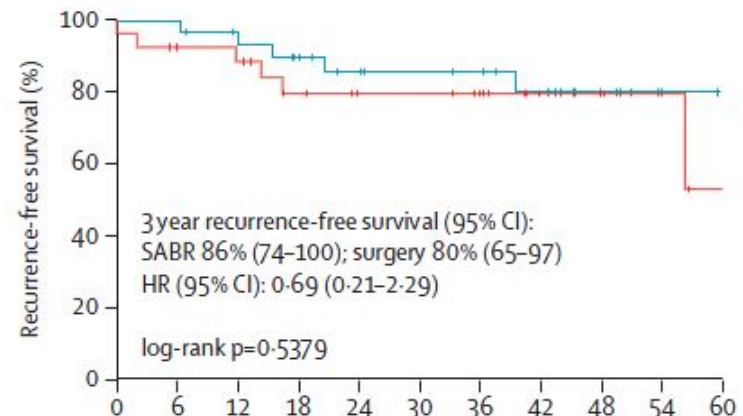
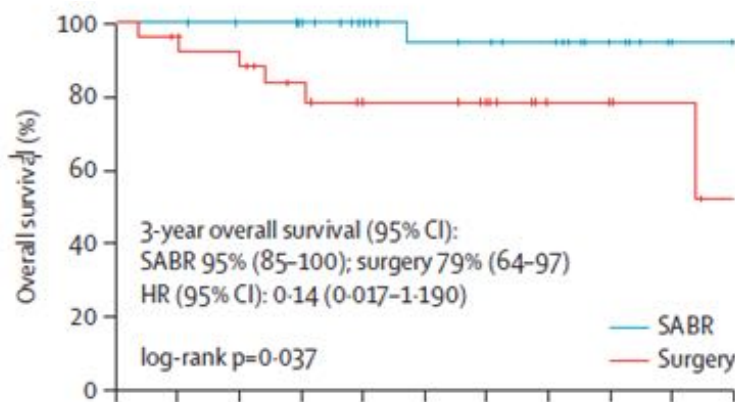
➤ A pooled analysis of the two independent, randomised, **phase 3 trials of SABR in patients with operable stage I NSCLC (STARS and ROSEL closed early due to slow accrual).**

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- The difference in **OS** between the two groups was statistically significant **in favour of SABR**.
- No significant differences in local, regional, or distant metastasis or in RFS between the treatment groups.

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The results of were provocative because in **favor of SABR** with:

- ✓ an **absolute improvement in overall survival (OS)** of 16% at 3y (95% vs. 79%,  $P=0.037$ )
- ✓ a **decrease in grade  $\geq 3$  toxicity** (10% vs. 48%)

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- Trials comparing SABR and surgery will continue to have difficulty with accrual.
- Infact the **ACOSOG Z4099/RTOG 1021** randomized phase III trial of sublobar resection with or without brachytherapy versus SABR in high risk patients stage I NSCLC (closed early in 2013 !!) due to lack of accrual and is without publication.



➤ However:

- 1) The **VALOR trial** Surgery versus SABR is scheduled to open in the US within the year.
- 2) the **SABR Tooth trial** SABR vs surgery for peripheral stage I NSCLC in patients at higher risk of surgical complications is also planned to open in the UK.

## **EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: SABR EVIDENCES FOR OPERABLE PATIENTS**

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*In Conclusion:*

- ✓ *Lobectomy is the standard of care for early stage NSCLC*
- ✓ *There is no direct evidence of its superiority compared to SABR*
- ✓ *Multiple studies using propensity score-matching methods indicate similar outcomes*

# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: SABR

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1. EFFECTIVENESS
2. SAFETY
3. OPERABLE PATIENTS
4. UNRESOLVED ISSUES



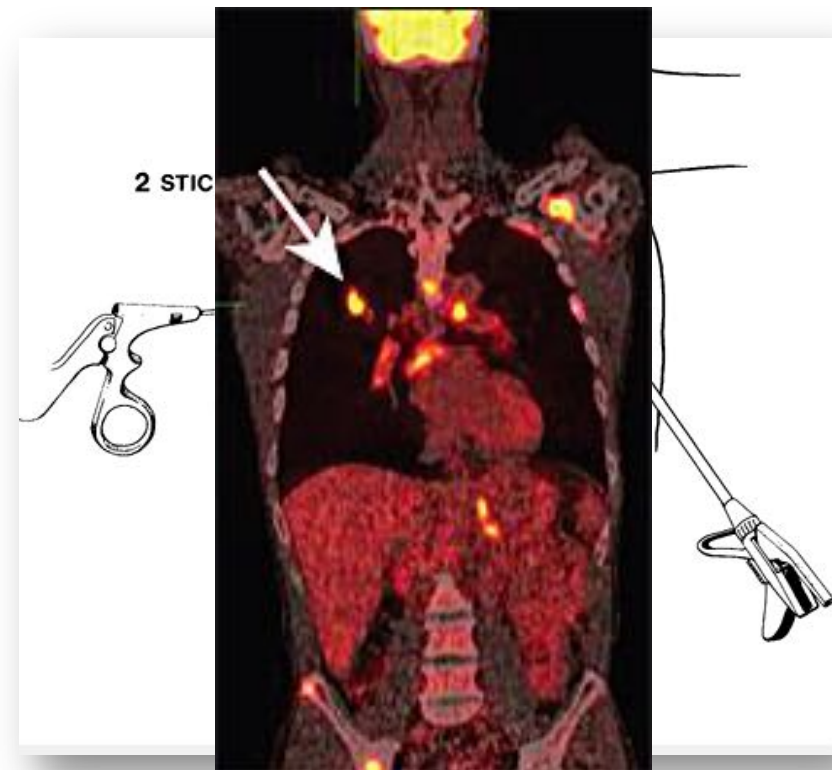
# EARLY STAGE LUNG NSCLC: .. UNRESOLVED ISSUES

## NEED FOR A PRETREATMENT PATHOLOGY

A pathological confirmation of malignancy is generally preferred prior any curative-intent therapy for early NSCLC....

..... Many candidates for **SABR** have **co-morbidities and risks associated with transthoracic biopsy**, or repeated biopsy if the initial attempt is inconclusive.

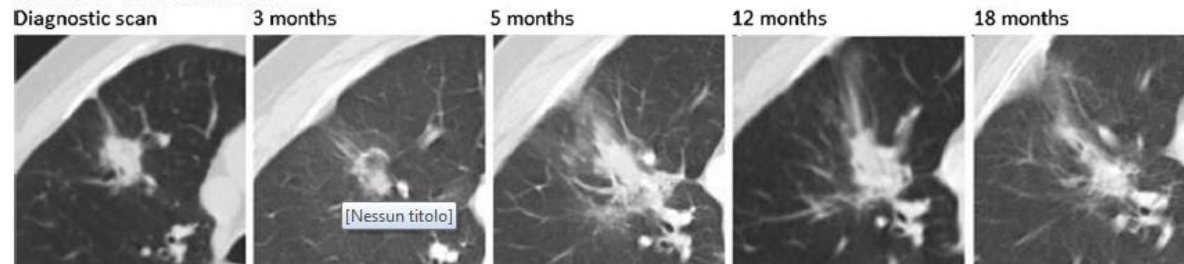
Use of FDG-PET may perform poorly when used for a clinical diagnosis of stage I NSCLC, in areas where granulomatous disease and other infectious etiologies are endemic



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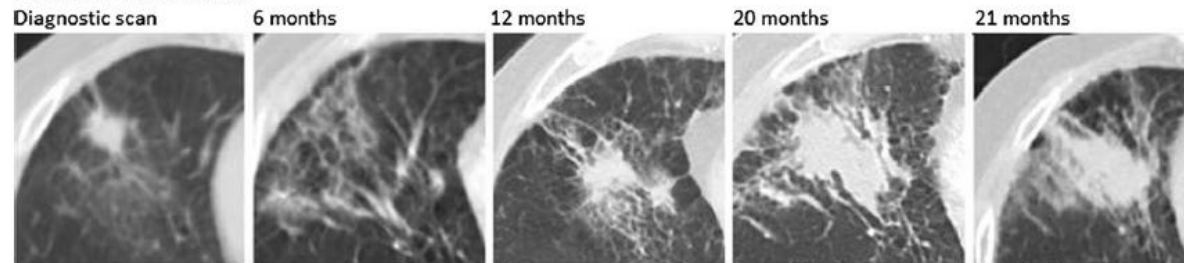
## RESPONSE EVALUATION

### PATIENT 1 - NO RECURRENCE



HRFs:  
enlarging opacity

### PATIENT 2 - RECURRENCE



HRFs:  
enlarging opacity  
cranial-caudal growth

sequential enlargement  
bulging margin  
linear margin disappearance  
enlargement after 12 months

loss of air bronchogram

With the increasing using of lung SABR, **distinguishing fibrosis from recurrence is a research priority** for survivorship, as salvage treatment by surgery or repeat SABR while feasible, are not without toxicity

***Is the same the effectiveness  
of SBRT for the  
oligometastases?***

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- The concept of Oligometastatic disease was proposed nearly 20 years ago.
- SABR is quite effective than surgery for controlling pulmonary metastases

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**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                          |                           | 90% 2-yr LC, 84% 2-yr OS  |
| Brown et al. <sup>25</sup>               | 35              | 69             | 5 Gy/1 fx                           |                           | 77% crude LC, 72.5% 2-yr OS   |
| Rusthoven et al. <sup>12</sup>           | 38              | 63             | 60 Gy/3 fx                          |                           | 96% 2-yr LC, 39% 2-yr OS  |
| Wulf et al. <sup>24</sup>                | 41              | 51             | 30 Gy/3 fx                          |                           | 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  |

•Total doses :24-60 Gy in 1 or 4 fr,  
•1-3 years LC: 70%-100%  
•1-2 years OS 48%- 84%

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**TABLE 2.** Ongoing Clinical Trials Examining the Role for Surgery or SABR for Oligometastatic Cancer

| Study                     | Design              | Eligibility   | Intervention  | Primary Endpoint          |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---|---|---------------------------|
| PulMICC <sup>38</sup>     | Randomized phase II | Pulmonary metastases from colorectal cancer   | Active monitoring vs. pulmonary metastasectomy  | Feasibility/survival      |
| SABR-COMET <sup>39</sup>  | Randomized phase II | All treatable metastatic sites; maximum of three tumors to any single organ system; controlled primary tumor                  | Palliative-scheme radiation as clinically indicated vs. stereotactic ablative radiation to multiple sites | Overall survival          |
| SAFRON II <sup>40</sup>   | Randomized phase II | A maximum of three metastases to the lung from any nonhematological malignancy  | Stereotactic multifraction SABR vs. radiosurgery  | Toxicity                  |
| NCT01185639 <sup>41</sup> | Phase II            | NSCLC with ≤5 metastatic sites, involving lung, liver, adrenal, or spinal lesions; if primary untreated, must have three mets | SBRT to affected sites, delivered in three or five fractions  | Progression-free survival |
| NCT01725165 <sup>72</sup> | Randomized phase II | Three or less metastases from NSCLC   | Consolidative radiotherapy and/or surgery vs. systemic therapy or observation                             | Progression-free survival |

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### Can SABR Be Used to Treat Oligoprogressive Disease Occurring in the Setting of Targeted Therapy?

Patients with NSCLC who were treated with targeted agents eventually develop progression owing to the emergence of drug-resistant clones. Because most cancer may retain a drug-sensitive genotype, it has been hypothesized that, in this clinical scenario, patients should be maintained on the same targeted therapy and that the resistant clones, which are phenotypically distinguished as oligoprogressive tumors, should be treated with surgery, CFRT, or SABR. Studies in which SRS or SABR was used to treat patients with oligoprogressive NSCLC that was either intracranial only<sup>113</sup> or intracranial and systemic<sup>114,115</sup> while being maintained on a targeted agent have been reported. Weickhardt et al reported their retrospective experience of using SABR, CFRT, and surgery with the goal of prolonging the effectiveness of targeted therapy in patients with NSCLC. Overall, 25 patients with ALK rearranged or EGFR mutation-driven tumors were included in the study, and sites of oligoprogression were classified as being

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**Table 2** Current or Completed Prospective Trials of Surgery or Radiotherapy for Oligometastatic or Oligoprogressive Non–Small Cell Lung Cancer

| Study                            | Status | Study Type, Location               | Modality | Patients Enrolled | Primary Outcome     |
|----------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Endo et al <sup>125</sup>        | Pub.   | Multi-institutional, Japan         | S        | 20                | OS (45% at 5 y)     |
| Downey et al <sup>126</sup>      | Pub.   | Single institution, United States  | S        | 23                | OS (median = 11 mo) |
| De Ruyscher et al <sup>102</sup> | Pub.   | Multi-institutional, Europe        | S or R   | 39                | OS (median = 14 mo) |
| NCT01185639 <sup>119</sup>       | Rec.   | Multi-institutional, United States | R        | 45*               | PFS                 |
| NCT01796288 <sup>123</sup>       | Rec.   | Multi-institutional, China         | R        | 200*              | PFS                 |
| NCT02076477 <sup>122†</sup>      | Rec.   | Multi-institutional, China         | R        | 420*              | RR                  |
| NCT01725165 <sup>124†</sup>      | Rec.   | Multi-institutional, United States | S or R   | 94*               | PFS                 |
| NCT00776100 <sup>121†</sup>      | Com.   | Multi-institutional, United States | R        | 98                | OS                  |
| NCT02054819 <sup>120</sup>       | Rec.   | Single institution, United States  | R        | 20*               | OS                  |
| NCT01573702 <sup>117</sup>       | Rec.   | Single institution, United States  | R        | 40*               | PFS                 |

Abbreviations: Com., completed; PFS, progression-free survival; Pub., published; R, radiotherapy; Rec., recruiting; RR, response rate; S, surgery.

\*Target enrollment.

†Randomized.



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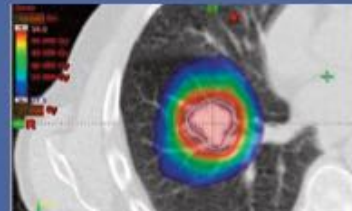


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