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phase 2 trial





[¹⁸F]FDG PET/CT IN SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER (SCLC): ANALYSIS OF THE PHASE III CONVERT RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIAL

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Introduction

- Standard staging for LS-SCLC is thorax & abdomen CT, brain imaging (CT/MRI) +/- bone scintigraphy (**conventional imaging**)
- The role of staging ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT in SCLC is controversial:
 - Small studies have shown that ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT upstages up to 47% of LS-SCLC patients¹
 - Practice guidelines (e.g. ESMO, NCCN, UK NICE) **recommend** or **suggest** staging ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT²
 - However, PIII trials that established cCTRT in LS-SCLC were performed before ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT era³

Unanswered question

- Is outcome of LS-SCLC staged with conventional imaging different from that of patients staged with additional ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT?

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Unplanned subgroup analysis of CONVERT trial

Study design

multinational, phase III randomised study

RTP after randomisation
RT started on D22 cycle 1

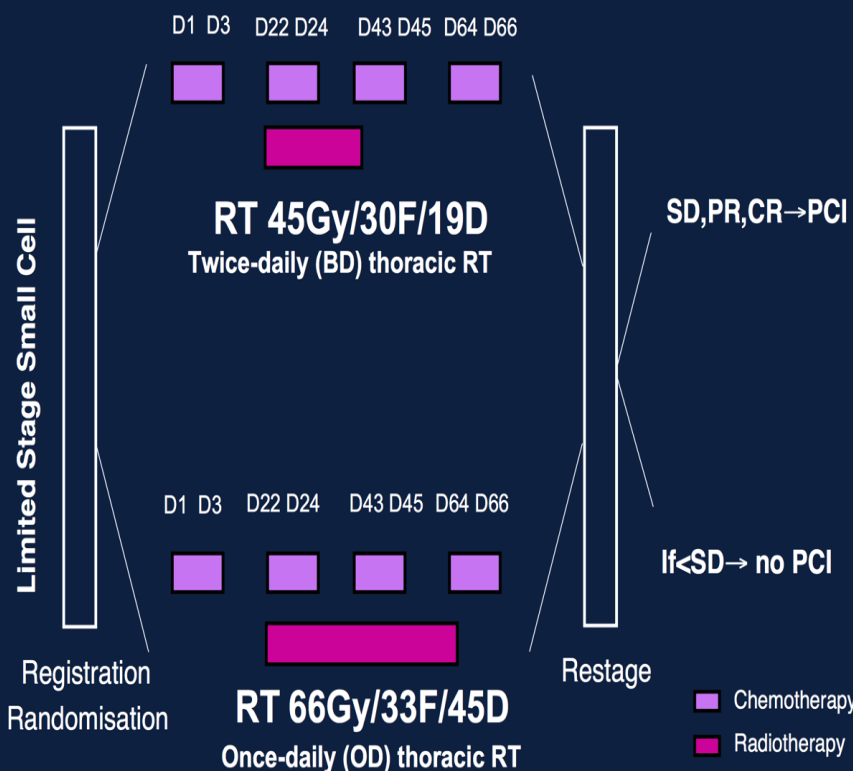
- 3DCRT or IMRT
- No ENI
- QA programme

Chemotherapy
4 to 6 cycles

- Cisplatin 25mg/m² D1-3 or 75mg/m² D1
- Etoposide 100mg/m² D1-3

Stratification factors

- Centre
- No. of cycles chemo: 4 vs.6
- PS: 0,1 vs. 2



Patients were divided into 2 groups:

1. Patients staged with **conventional imaging** (thorax and abdomen CT, brain imaging +/- bone scintigraphy); **n=231 (43%)**
2. Patients staged with **¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT** in addition; **n=309 (57%)**

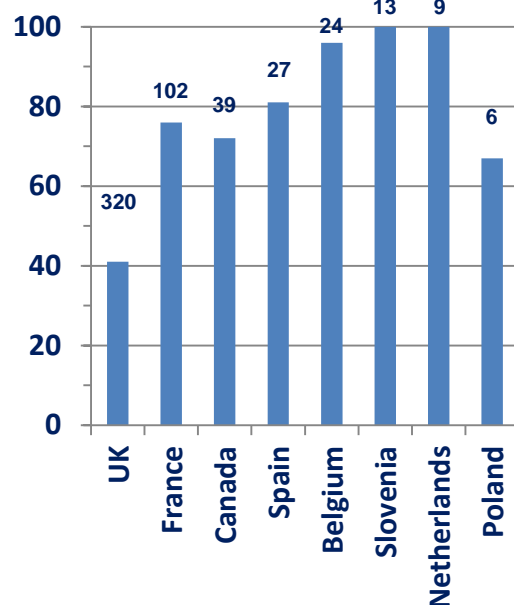
CONVERT trial protocol:

- **¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT** staging was allowed but **NOT** mandated
- **Bone scintigraphy** was performed if there was a specific clinical indication



Results

% patients staged with ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT (number recruited)

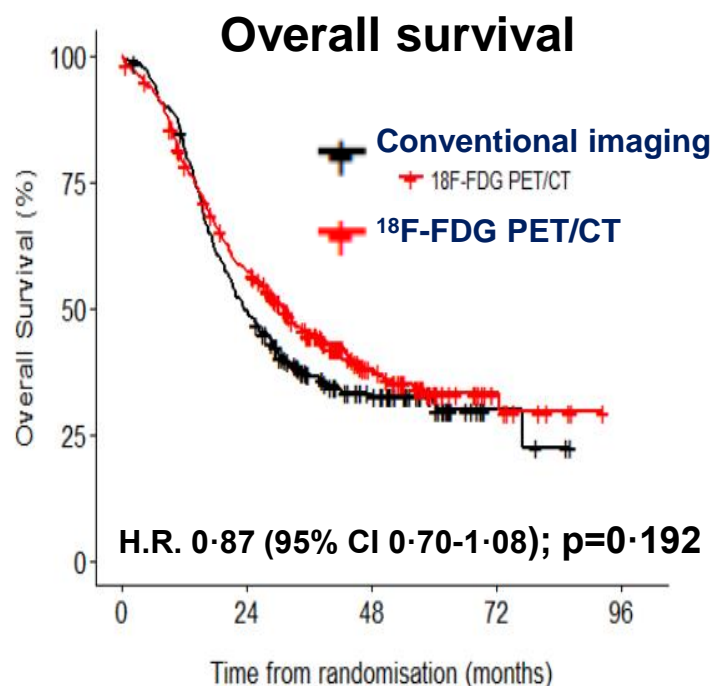


	^{18}F -FDG PET/CT and conventional imaging (n=309)	Conventional imaging (n=231)	p-value
Median age (range)	62 (29-84)	62 (36-81)	0.594
ECOG PS 0	150 (49%)	98 (42%)	0.182
ECOG PS 1	148 (48%)	128 (56%)	
ECOG PS 2	11 (3%)	5 (2%)	
Adverse biochemical factors			0.035
LDH>ULN	63 (20%)	66 (29%)	
Hyponatremia	7 (2%)	4 (2%)	0.899
ALP>1.5xULN	68 (22%)	41 (18%)	0.267
OD radiotherapy	152 (49%)	118 (51%)	0.723
BD radiotherapy	157 (51%)	113 (49%)	
UICC/AJCC stage I	2 (1%)	2 (1%)	0.087
UICC/AJCC stage II	56 (18%)	26 (11%)	
UICC/AJCC stage III	233 (75%)	189 (82%)	
Not known	18 (6%)	14 (6%)	

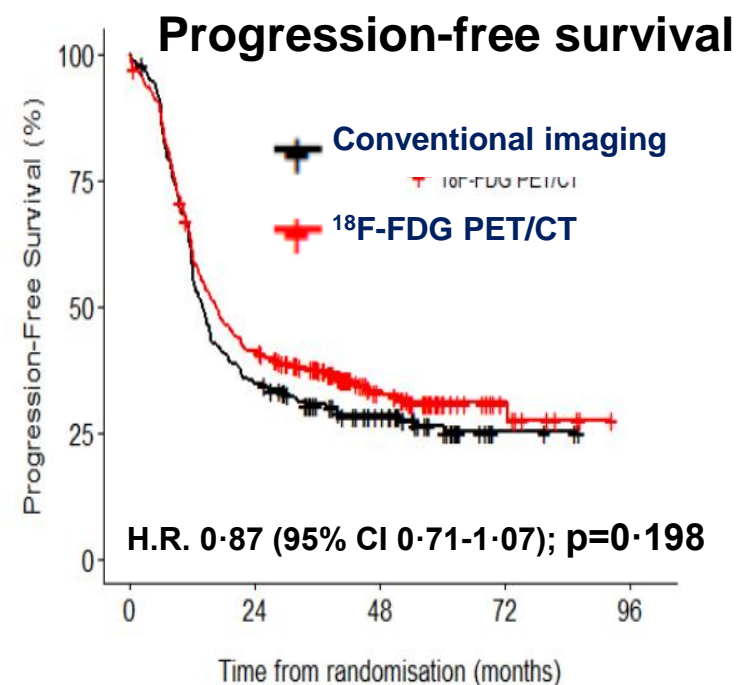
	^{18}F -FDG PET/CT and conventional imaging (n=309)	Conventional imaging (n=231)	p-value
Median gross tumour volume (cc) (range)	73.3 (1.6-593)	95.7 (0.5-635.1)	0.003
Bone Scan			0.078
Yes	30 (10%)	35 (15%)	
No	279 (90%)	195 (84%)	
Not known	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	
Four cycles of chemotherapy	192 (62%)	176 (76%)	0.027
Six cycles of chemotherapy	117 (38%)	55 (24%)	
IMRT			0.172
Yes	53 (17%)	30 (13%)	
No	226 (73%)	185 (80%)	
Not known	30 (10%)	16 (7%)	



OS & PFS in patients staged with conventional imaging or with additional ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT

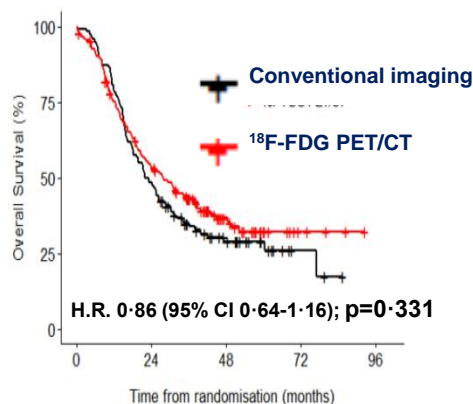


	Number at risk (number censored)				
Conventional Imaging	231 (0)	113 (2)	45 (36)	4 (75)	0 (78)
^{18}F -FDG PET/CT	309 (0)	170 (10)	55 (77)	9 (117)	0 (125)



	Number at risk (number censored)				
Conventional Imaging	231 (0)	80 (1)	41 (27)	3 (62)	0 (65)
^{18}F -FDG PET/CT	309 (0)	125 (3)	49 (60)	9 (97)	0 (105)

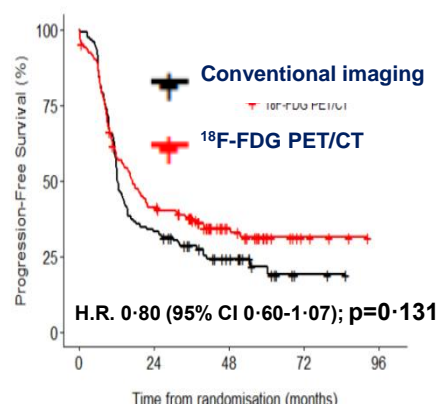
Overall survival (OD)



Number at risk (number censored)

Conventional Imaging	118 (0)	57 (0)	21 (16)	3 (33)	0 (35)
¹⁸ F-FDG PET/CT	152 (0)	78 (6)	25 (37)	4 (55)	0 (59)

Progression-free survival (OD)

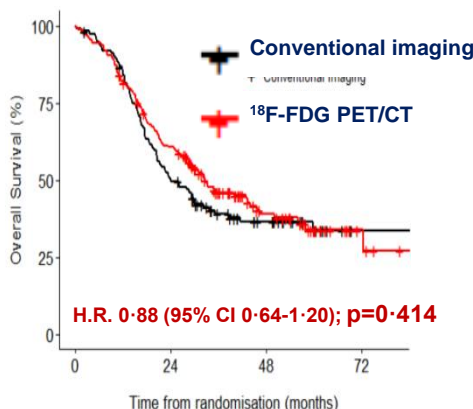


Number at risk (number censored)

Conventional Imaging	118 (0)	39 (0)	18 (12)	2 (26)	0 (28)
¹⁸ F-FDG PET/CT	152 (0)	61 (3)	23 (32)	4 (49)	0 (53)

OS & PFS in patients staged with conventional imaging or with ¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT according to treatment group (OD or BD)

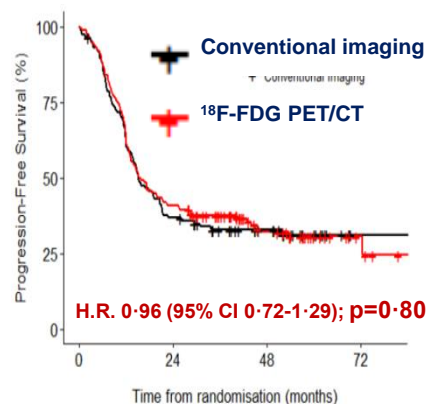
Overall survival (BD)



Number at risk (number censored)

Conventional Imaging	113 (0)	56 (2)	24 (20)	1 (42)
¹⁸ F-FDG PET/CT	157 (0)	92 (4)	30 (40)	5 (62)

Progression-free survival (BD)

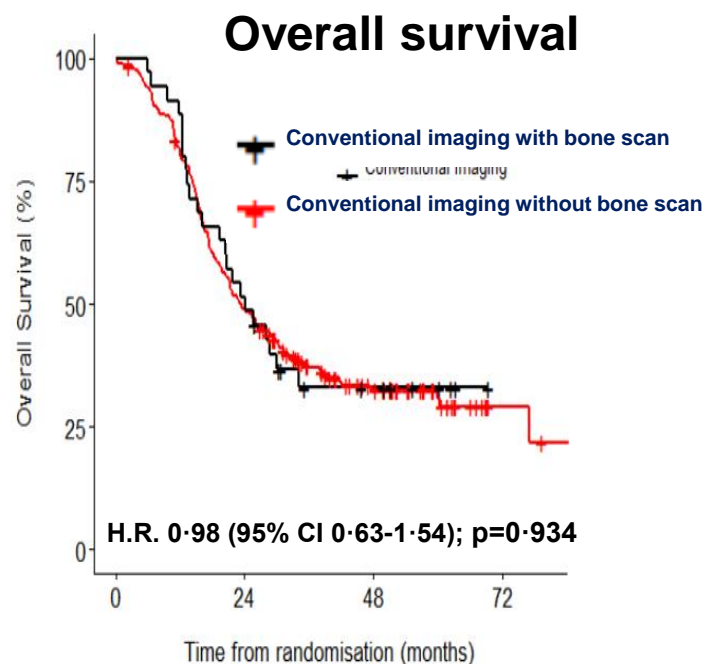


Number at risk (number censored)

Conventional Imaging	113 (0)	41 (1)	23 (15)	1 (36)
¹⁸ F-FDG PET/CT	157 (0)	64 (0)	26 (28)	5 (48)

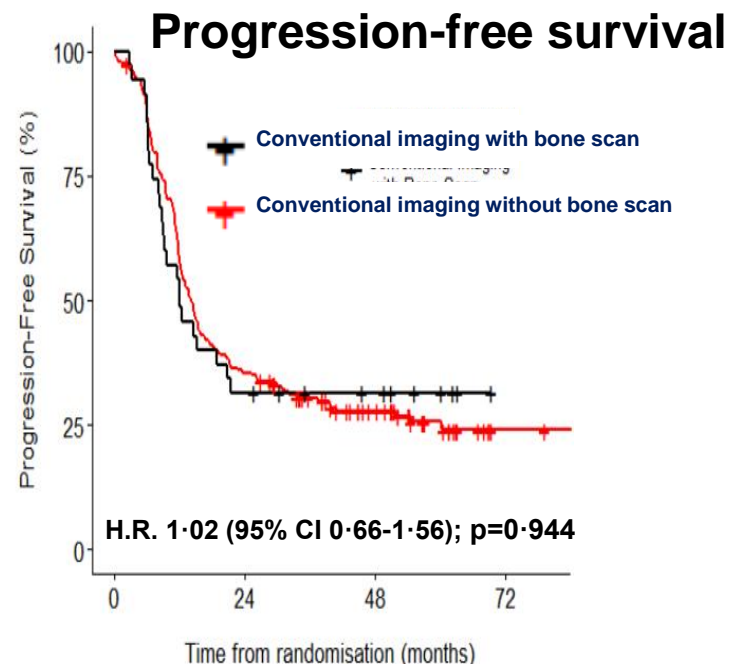


OS & PFS in patients staged using conventional imaging with or without bone scan



Number at risk
(number censored)

Conventional Imaging without Bone Scan	196 (0)	95 (2)	38 (31)	4 (63)
Conventional Imaging with Bone Scan	35 (0)	18 (0)	7 (5)	0 (12)



Number at risk
(number censored)

Conventional Imaging without Bone Scan	196 (0)	69 (1)	34 (23)	3 (51)
Conventional Imaging with Bone Scan	35 (0)	11 (0)	7 (4)	0 (11)



Pre-treatment ^{18}F -FDG PET sub-study

- After adjusting for a **multivariate clinical prognostic model** (ECOG PS, GTV & weight loss)
- **NONE** of the investigated ^{18}F -FDG PET parameters were independent prognostic factors for OS and PFS

Overall survival				
Parameter	Univariate analysis (n=94, events=62)		Multivariate clinical prognostic model (n=73, events=44)	
	CPE (SE)	p-value	CPE (SE)	p-value
Clinical prognostic model	n/a	n/a	0.64 (0.05)	n/a
SUV _{max}	0.50 (0.04)	0.83	0.64 (0.05)	0.78
SUV _{peak}	0.51 (0.04)	0.86	0.64 (0.05)	0.89
SUV _{mean}	0.50 (0.04)	0.60	0.64 (0.05)	0.86
log(metabolic tumour volume)	0.55 (0.04)	0.12	0.64 (0.05)	0.57
log(total lesion glycolysis)	0.55 (0.04)	0.13	0.64 (0.05)	0.56
CoV	0.52 (0.04)	0.91	0.64 (0.05)	0.75
Skewness	0.57 (0.04)	0.06	0.61 (0.05)	0.42





Take home message

- First prospective evidence
- Survival was **NOT** different in patients staged with or without ^{18}F -FDGPET/CT
- **Our findings suggest that conventional imaging is sufficient to select LS-SCLC patients for cCTRT**
- Better than expected outcome in both arms of CONVERT, compared to previous studies, is **NOT** explained by the use of ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT
- However ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT plays a role to guide radiation oncologists in the definition of gross tumour volume → not addressed in this study



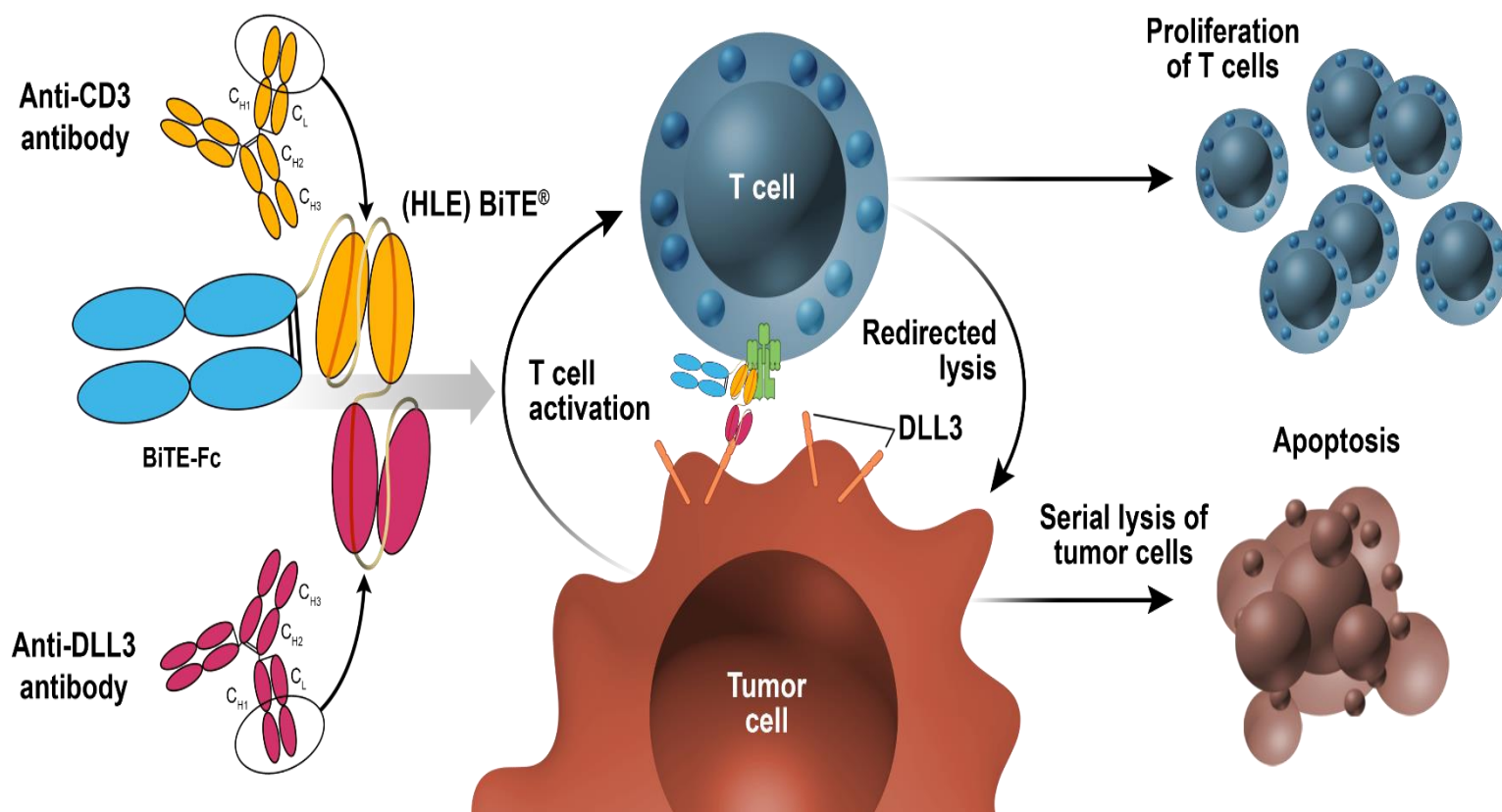
Two Novel Immunotherapy Agents Targeting DLL3 in SCLC: Trials In Progress of AMG 757 and AMG 119

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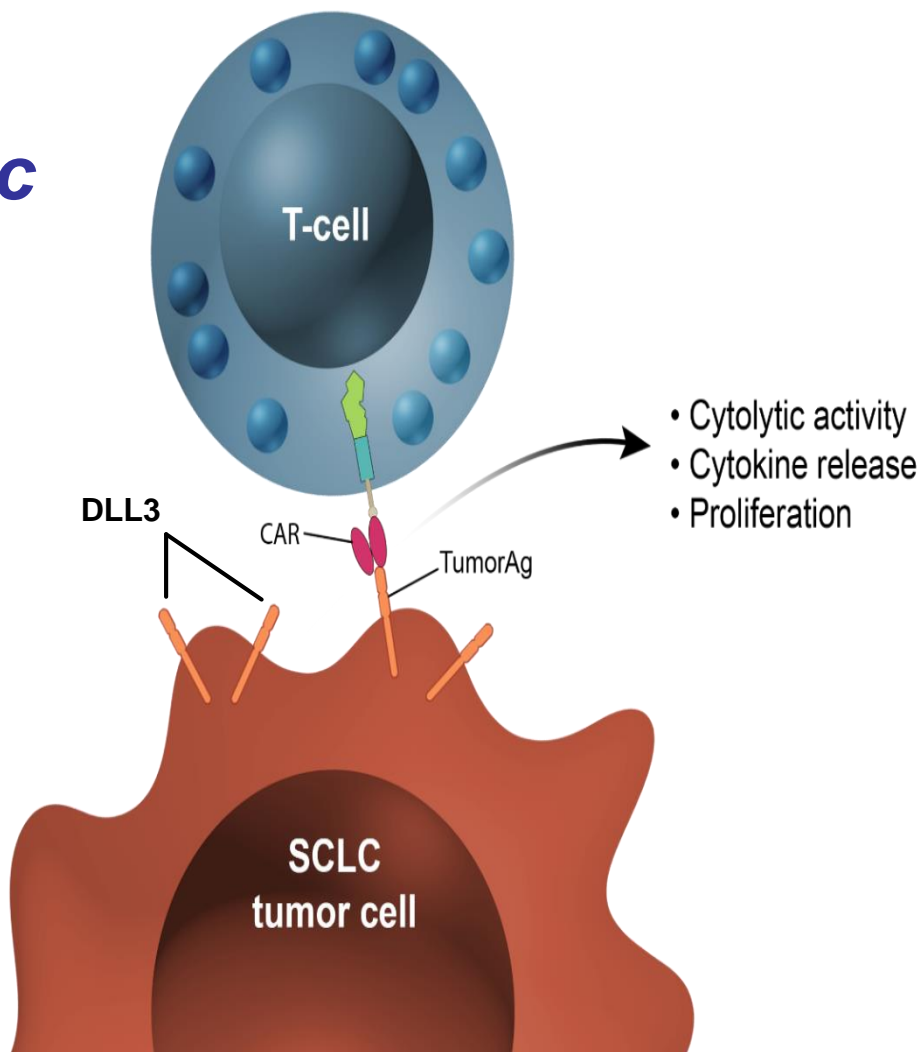
AMG 757 is a half-life extended (HLE) bi-specific T cell engager (BiTE[®]) antibody construct



BiTE[®], bispecific T cell engager; CD, cluster of differentiation; Fc, crystallizable fragment; HLE, half-life extended.



AMG 119 is an adoptive chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy





Anlotinib as third-line or further-line treatment in relapsed SCLC: a multicentre, randomized, double-blind phase 2 trial

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Background

- Precision Medicine has tailored cancer treatment to individuals in certain cancer types, however, there is no progression in small cell lung cancer (SCLC) yet, chemotherapy and radiotherapy have been the main, but not satisfactory approaches for over 30 years.
- Only 20% patients receive 3rd-line treatments and outcomes are poor.
 - Objective response rate (ORR) : 18%-26%;
 - Overall survival (OS) : 4.7-5.0 months;
- Anlotinib is a novel TKI with highly selective inhibition effects on multi-targets, especially on VEGFR, c-Kit, PDGFR, FGFR.
- This phase 2 randomized trial (ALTER1202, NCT03059797) was initiated to confirm the efficacy and safety of anlotinib for the third-line and further-line treatment of SCLC.



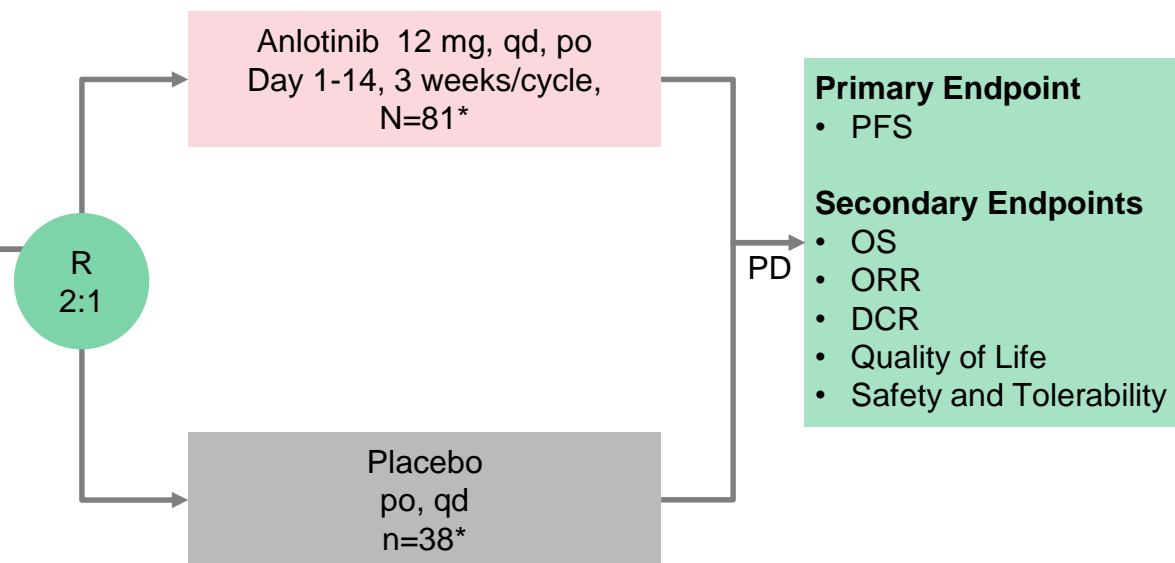


Study Design

A multicentre, randomized, double-blind phase 2 trial (ALTER1202; NCT03059797)

Eligibility Criteria

- 18-75 years
- Histological documentation of small cell lung cancer
- Previously received at least two chemotherapy regimens
- Measurable lesion (by RECIST1.1)
- ECOG PS: 0-2



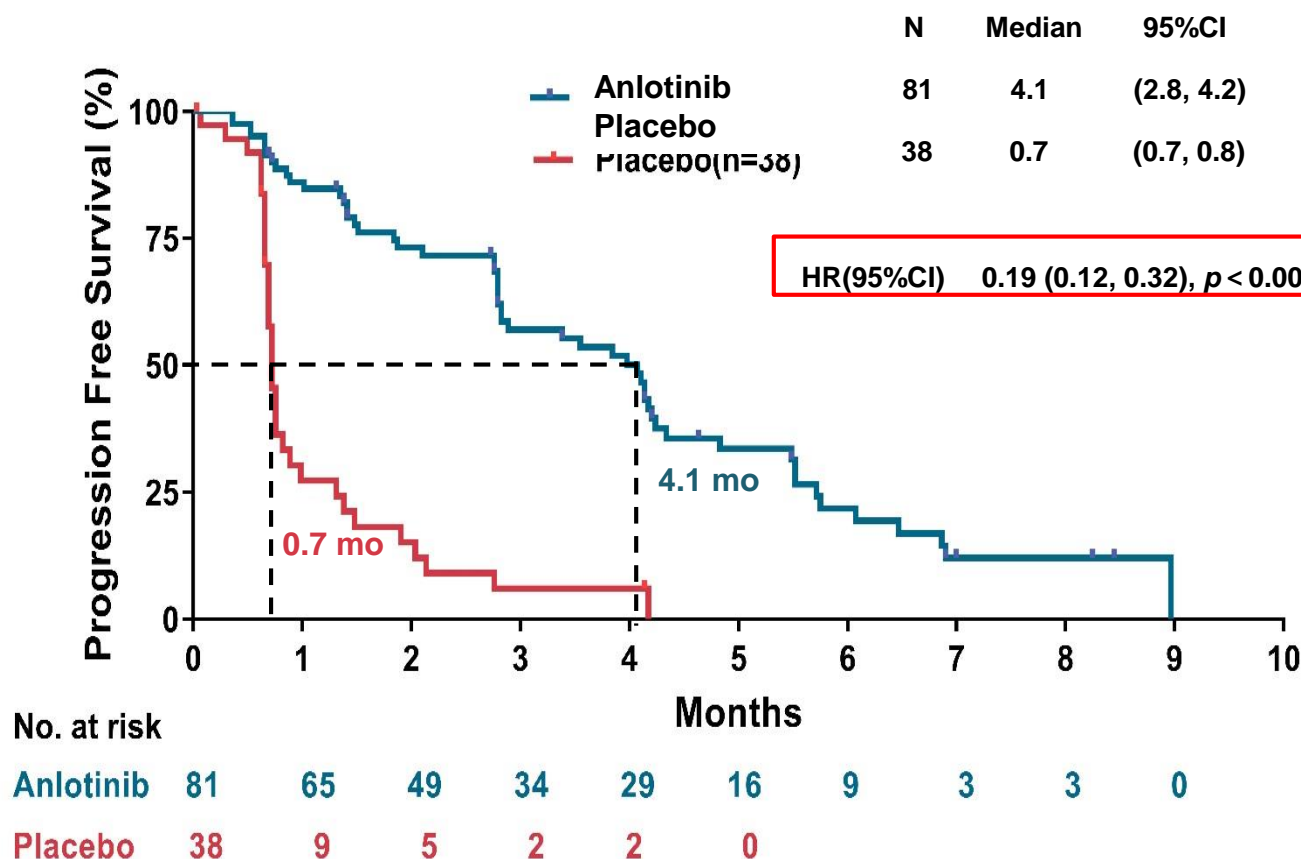
- Enrollment period: March 2017 - May 2018
- 175 patients screen, 120 patients randomized
- Data cutoff date: 30 Jun 2018
- **Stratified by:** Stage(Limited/ Extensive), Relapse(Sensitive / refractory)

- * In Anlotinib group, 81 patients were in full analysis dataset (FAS) and safety dataset(SS); In placebo group, 38 patients were in FAS set and 39 patients in SS.
- Randomized error patient should take anlotinib rather than placebo, this patient was included in the FAS of anlotinib arm and SS of placebo arm.
- One misdiagnosis patient was not included in the FAS of anlotinib arm.



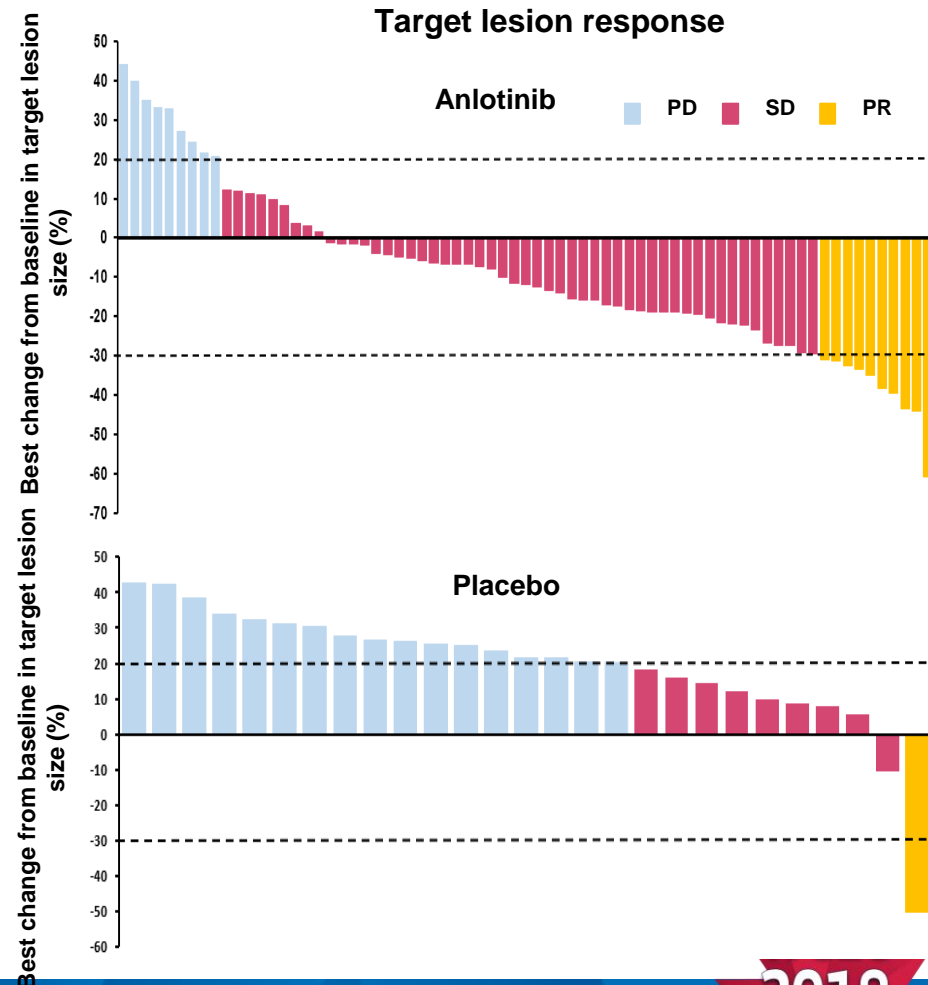
Primary Endpoint: PFS (FAS)

- Significantly prolonged median PFS in the anlotinib arm (4.1 months) vs. the placebo arm (0.7 months)



Secondary Endpoints: ORR (FAS)

	Anloti nib (n=81)	Place bo (n=38)	P
Complete Response, n(%)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	-
Partial Response, n(%)	4 (4.9)	1 (2.6)	-
Stable Disease, n(%)	54 (66.7)	4 (10.5)	-
Progression Disease, n(%)	20 (24.7)	25 (65.8)	-
NE, n(%)	3 (3.7)	8 (21.1)	-
Objective Response Rate(%)	4.9	2.6	1.0000
95% CI	(0.2,9.7)	(0.1,13.8)	-
Disease Control Rate(%)	71.6	13.2	<0.0001
95% CI	(61.8,81.4)	(2.4,23.9)	-





Summary

- The study met its endpoints, anlotinib appears to provide significant PFS and DCR benefit for SCLC patients who failed ≥ 2 lines of chemotherapy.
 - PFS: Anlotinib vs Placebo: 4.1 vs 0.7 months (HR, 0.19; 95% CI, 0.12 to 0.32, $p < 0.0001$)
 - DCR: Anlotinib vs Placebo: 71.6% vs 13.2%, $p < 0.0001$
- Overall survival data were immature, but can see the benefit in anlotinib arm.
- The safety profile was consistent with the previous report and no newly adverse events were identified.
- ALTER1202 is the first randomized, placebo-controlled trial in patients with relapsed SCLC who failed ≥ 2 lines of chemotherapy in which anlotinib demonstrated robust clinical activity. Data support anlotinib as a new option for ≥ 3 rd-line SCLC patients. Future studies will be further carried out including front-line treatment, combined treatment and so on.



Prophylactic cranial irradiation (PCI) for limited-stage small-cell lung (SCLC) cancer patients: results from the prospective randomised phase 3 CONVERT trial

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PCI in Limited-Stage SCLC

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STUDY	No. of Events/No. Enrolled		O-E	VARIANCE	Relative Risk
	PCI	No PCI			
UMCC	14/15	13/14	0.4	6.7	
Okayama	21/23	21/23	-3.8	10.1	

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85% limited -stage
3-year OS: 20.7% vs 15.3%
3-year incidence BM: 33.3% vs 58.6%

PCI 25 Gy in 10 fractions is the standard in good PS LS-SCLC patients who respond to standard platinum-based chemoradiotherapy

PCI-88	80/100	94/111	-7.6	43.1	
ECOG-RTOG	14/17	13/15	-3.2	6.1	
Total	440/526	406/461	-35.0	204.4	

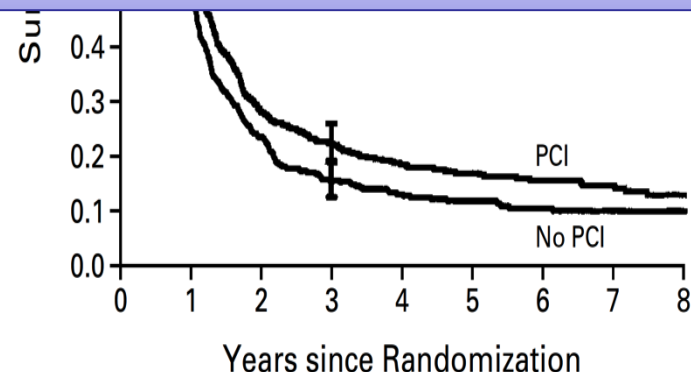
0.84 (95% CI, 0.73–0.97)

0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0

Test for heterogeneity: $\chi^2=1.62$, $P=0.95$

PCI better
No PCI better
PCI effect, $P=0.01$

$p=0.01$



No. AT Risk

No PCI	461	224	103	61	44	34	23	19	15
PCI	526	276	139	101	66	52	40	29	17



PCI in Limited-Stage SCLC

Unsolved questions

- Optimal **timing of PCI delivery after CTRT** ?
 - Trend in favour of early PCI is suggested
- Impact of **dose and fractionation of thoracic radiotherapy** on brain relapse risk?
- Impact of **magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)**?
 - MRI has become a standard investigation for SCLC
 - Largest studies included in MA: Baseline CT scan
 - In PCI-99 all patients had a brain baseline imaging (74% CT scan and 26% MRI)
 - In ED, no baseline imaging in the absence of brain symptoms (Slotman study)
Baseline MRI for all pts and then every 3 months





Concurrent once-daily versus twice-daily chemoradiotherapy in patients with limited-stage small-cell lung cancer (CONVERT): an open-label, phase 3, randomised, superiority trial



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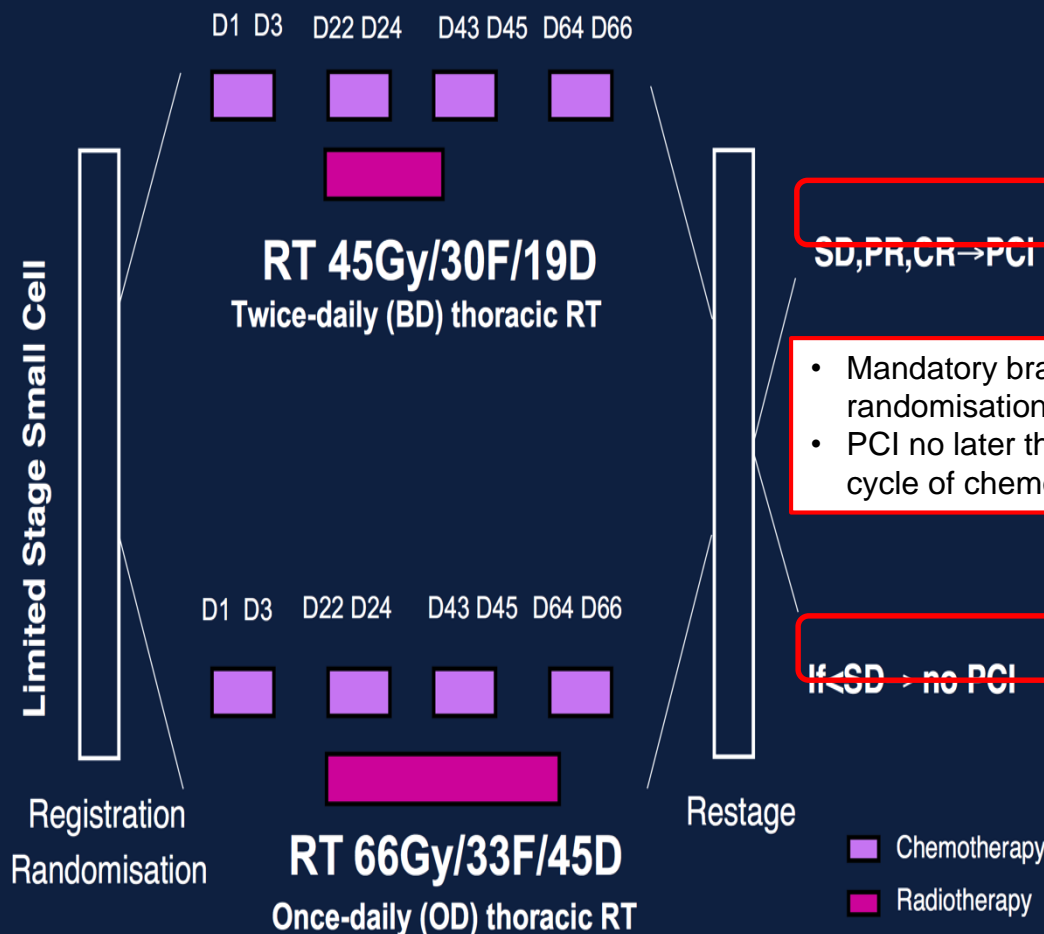
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- No. of cycles chemo: 4 vs.6
- PS: 0,1 vs. 2



- Mandatory brain imaging prior to randomisation
- PCI no later than 6w after the last cycle of chemotherapy



Results

PCI Population

- CONVERT recruited 547 patients from 73 centres across 8 countries btw 04/2008 and 11/2013
- The modified ITT survival analysis included 543 patients (273 BD group and 270 OD group); four patients were lost to follow-up
- **449/543 (83%) received PCI** after completion of CTRT
- PCI was equally delivered in both arms ($p=0.49$)
 - 220 (81%) of 273 in the BD group
 - 229 (85%) of 270 in the OD group
- Baseline brain imaging:
 - **CT-scan : 79%** (356/449 patients)
 - **MRI : 18%** (83/449 patients)

No PCI pts

- Older pts ($p=0.01$)
- Higher % of Asian patients ($p=0.01$)



Results

PCI delivery according to treatment groups

	Twice-daily (n=229)	Once-daily (n=220)	p-value
Total Dose (Gy); Median (Range)	25 (12.5-37.5)	25 (2.5-30)	0.741**
Total Dose (Gy)			
25	187 (82%)	167 (76%)	0.278*
>25	25 (11%)	32 (15%)	
<25	15 (7%)	20 (9%)	
Days post chemotherapy ; Median (Range)	35 (9-174)	37 (25-209)	0.043**

* Chi-sq test; ** Wilcoxon Rank Sum test

no difference either when calculating from the start of chemotherapy



Results

Univariate and multivariate analyses for brain relapse (PCI patients only)

	Patients N/BP/Death	Brain Progression from PCI initiation			
		Univariate		Multivariate	
		HR (95% CI)	p-value	HR (95% CI)	p-value
log(tGTV)	430/70/246	1.37 (1.09-1.73)	0.007	1.43 (1.11-1.85)	0.006
OD v BD (BD is referent)	449/75/263	0.95 (0.60-1.50)	0.830	0.93 (0.57-1.53)	0.770
Brain CT v MRI (MRI is referent)	438/73/255	1.17 (0.67-2.07)	0.580	1.28 (0.67-2.46)	0.450
Weight loss >10% (yes vs. no) (no is referent)	418/70/248	1.57 (0.59-4.18)	0.360	1.83 (0.69-4.89)	0.230
ECOG PS 1 or 2 vs. 0 (0 is referent)	449/75/263	0.64 (0.40-1.02)	0.059	0.54 (0.32-0.90)	0.018
log(PCI) Timing from randomisation	449/75/263	2.84 (0.82-9.82)	0.100	1.82 (0.04-8.62)	0.760
log(PCI) Timing from end of CTRT	446/74/262	1.10 (0.63-1.89)	0.750	0.83 (0.48-1.45)	0.520

75 (17%) patients developed BM

UICC/AJCC stage of PCI pts

- St I = 4 (1%),
- St II = 74 (16%),
- St III = 346 (77%) respectively
- unknown in 25 patients



Results

Univariate and multivariate analyses for OS (PCI patients only)

Median OS : 29 months (95% CI 25.8-35.7)

3-year OS rates :

- All: 45% (95%CI 40-50)
- OD group: 42% (95%CI 36-49)
- BD group: 48% (95%CI 41-55)

	Patients N/BP/Death	Survival from PCI initiation			
		Univariate		Multivariate	
		HR (95% CI)	p- value	HR (95% CI)	p- value
log(tGTV)	430/70/246	1.37 (1.19-1.56)	<0.001	1.33 (1.16-1.54)	<0.001
OD v BD (BD is referent)	449/75/263	1.21 (0.95-1.54)	0.121	1.16 (0.89-1.51)	0.275
Brain CT v MRI (MRI is referent)	438/73/255	1.30 (0.94-1.81)	0.113	1.41 (0.99-2.00)	0.151
Weight loss >10% (yes vs. no) (no is referent)	418/70/248	2.31 (1.34-3.97)	0.002	1.98 (1.14-3.43)	0.015
ECOG PS 1 or 2 vs. 0 (0 is referent)	449/75/263	1.28 (1.00-1.63)	0.049	1.12 (0.86-1.46)	0.348
log(PCI) Timing from randomisation	449/75/263	1.07 (0.59-1.93)	0.820	0.66 (0.11-4.14)	0.659
log(PCI) Timing from end of CTRT	446/74/262	1.48 (1.12-1.96)	0.007	1.32 (0.93-1.87)	0.189

Standard v High Dose PCI: **Low Dose** **LESS Neurologic deterioration** **LOW DOSE**

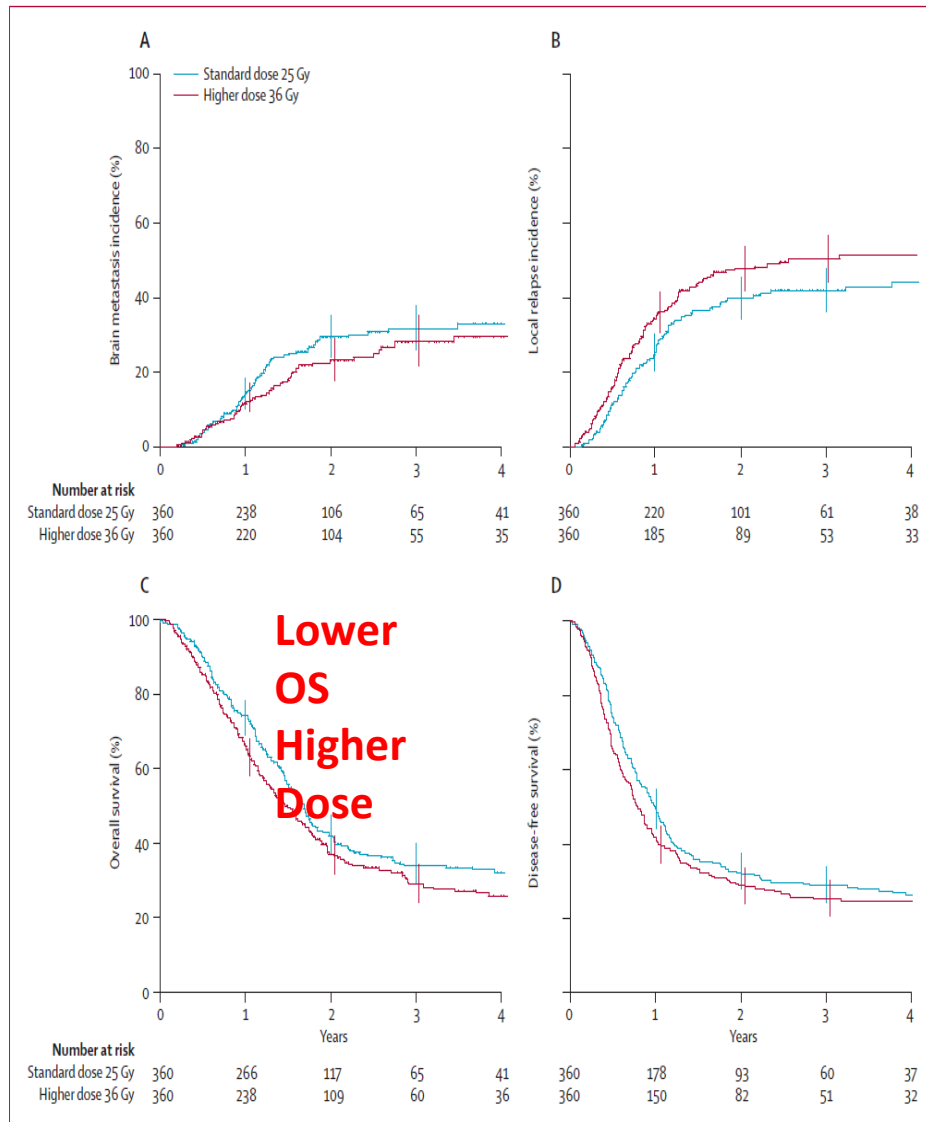


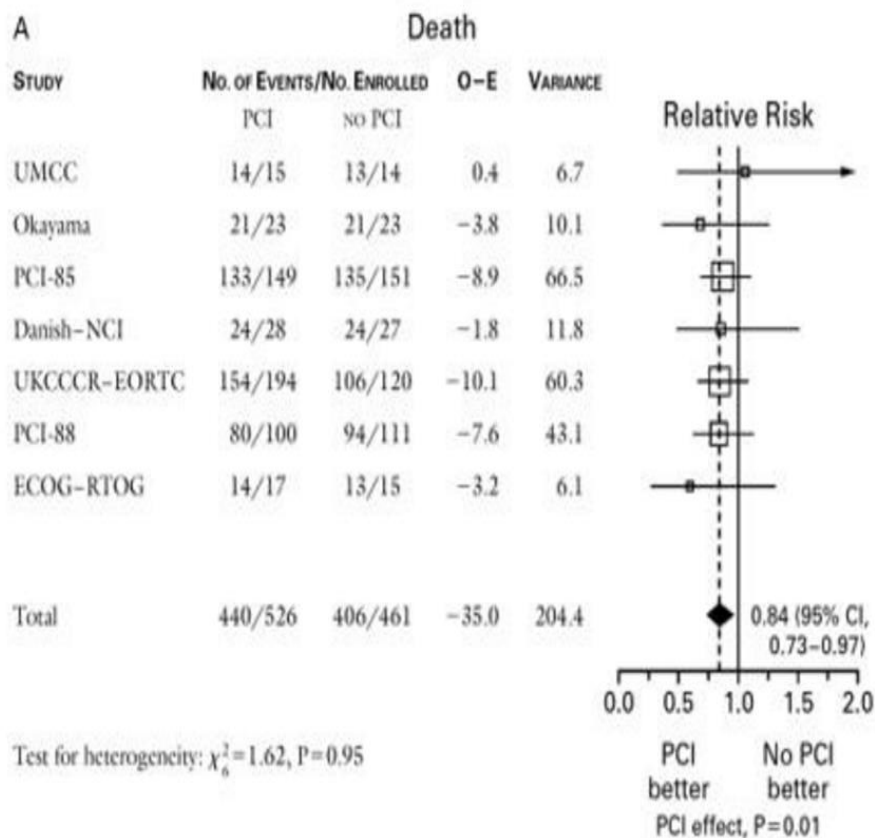
Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier curves showing total incidence of brain metastasis (A), local relapse (B), overall survival (C), and disease-free survival (D)

Table 3
The Incidence of Neurologic Deterioration and Chronic Neurotoxicity** at 12 months

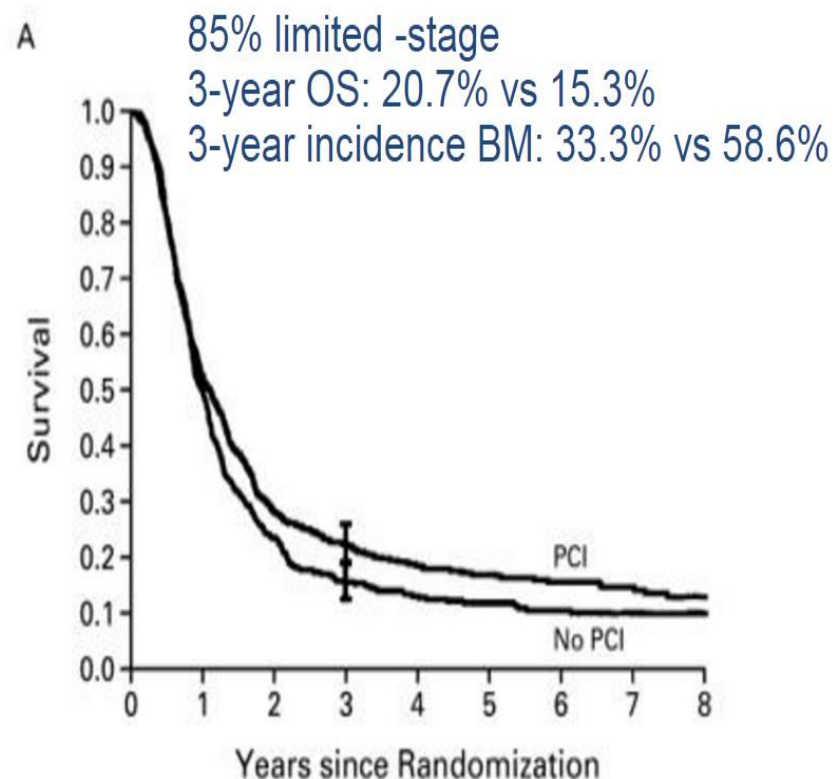
Variable	Comparison	No Neurologic Deterioration		Neurologic Deterioration		95% CI of Deterioration Percentage	p-value [†]
		n	%	n	%		
Treatment Arm	2.5 Gy × 10	17	38	28	62	(50, 74)	0.03
	2.0 Gy × 18	3	15	17	85	(72, 98)	
	1.5 Gy × 24	2	11	17	89	(78, 100)	
Gender	Male	13	28	33	72	(61, 83)	0.64
	Female	9	24	29	76	(65, 88)	
Education Level	≤ High School	11	34	21	66	(52, 79)	0.12
	> High School	8	19	35	81	(72, 91)	
Marital Status	Married/Living as married	14	28	36	72	(62, 82)	0.59
	Single/Divorced/Widowed	7	23	24	77	(65, 90)	
Age	≤ 60 years	13	41	19	59	(45, 74)	0.02
	> 60 years	9	17	43	83	(74, 91)	

Variable	Category	No Chronic Neurotoxicity		Chronic Neurotoxicity		95% CI of Chronic Neurotoxicity	p-value [†]
		n	%	n	%		
Treatment Arm	2.5 Gy × 10	18	40	27	60	(48, 72)	0.02
	2.0 Gy × 18	3	15	17	85	(72, 98)	
	1.5 Gy × 24	2	11	17	89	(78, 100)	
Gender	Male	13	28	33	72	(61, 83)	0.84
	Female	10	26	28	74	(62, 85)	
Education Level	≤ High School	11	34	21	66	(52, 79)	0.20
	> High School	9	21	34	79	(69, 89)	
Marital Status	Married/Living as married	14	28	36	72	(62, 82)	0.83
	Single/Divorced/Widowed	8	26	23	74	(61, 87)	
Age	≤ 60 years	14	44	18	56	(42, 71)	0.009
	> 60 years	9	17	43	83	(74, 91)	

PCI in Limited-Stage SCLC



$p=0.01$



No. AT RISK

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No PCI	461	224	103	61	44	34	23	19	15
PCI	526	276	139	101	66	52	40	29	17

Aupérin, et al. NEJM 1999

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PCI in Extensive Stage SCLC: Conflicts with LS Data

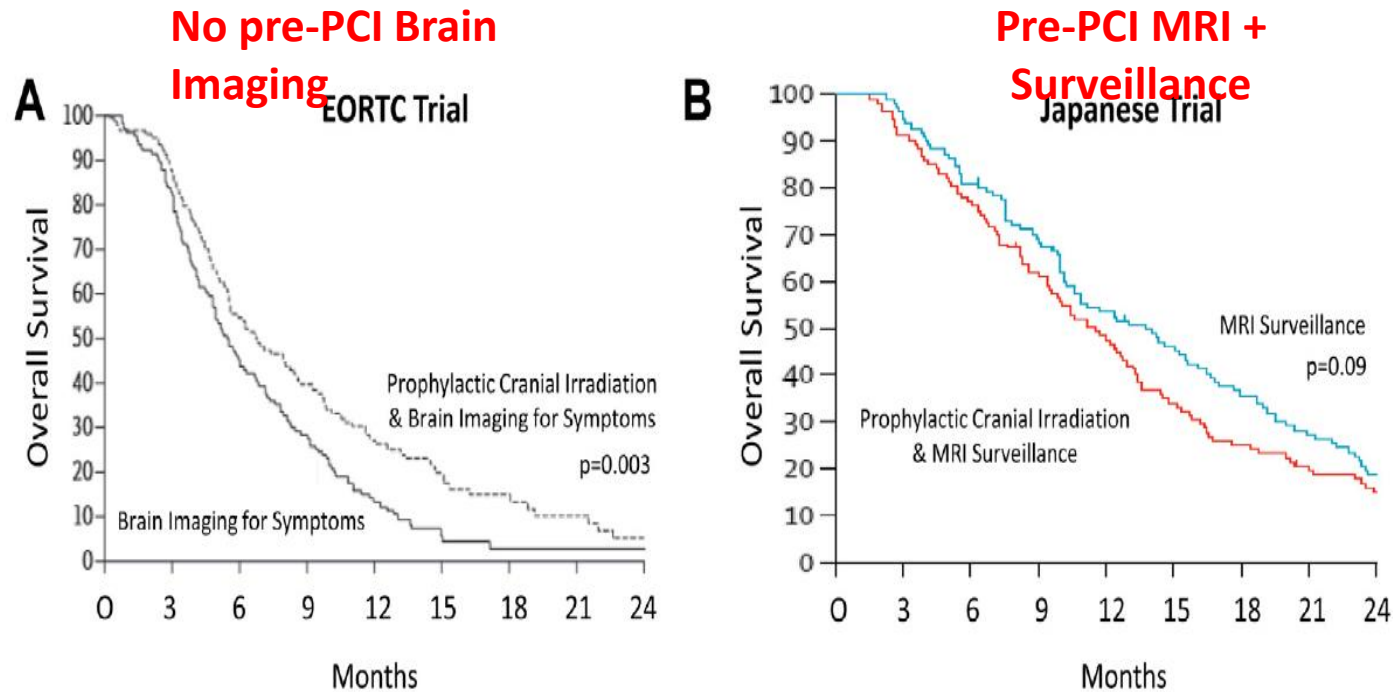


Figure 1. Overall survival in randomized trials of prophylactic cranial irradiation in extensive-stage SCLC. EORTC, European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging. Adapted with permission from Slotman et al.¹¹ and Takahashi et al.¹²



Prophylactic cranial irradiation

Prophylactic cranial irradiation after definitive chemoradiotherapy for limited-stage small cell lung cancer: Do all patients benefit? ☆



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- 658 pts who got Chemo at MDACC 1986-2012 Limited Stage
- 364 PCI; 294 no PCI; all thoracic RT 45-70 Gy
- CT staged to 2000; PET thereafter
- “ALL” pre-PCI brain imaging; “MOST” MRI
 - No specific numbers provided
 - No CT/MRI Surveillance data provided
- Median f/u 21 mos

Farooqi et al: Limited stage PCI

- PCI decreased risk of death HR 0.73, $p=0.001$
- PCI decreased risk of Brain mets 0.54, $p<0.001$
- Tumors ≥ 5 cm, increased risk brain mets HR 1.77
- If patient ≥ 70 y and Tumor ≥ 5 cm, PCI NOT improve OS
 - 39% v 41%, $P=0.739$

No PCI**PCI****No PCI**

Table 1
Patient and treatment characteristics.

Older**Lower PS****Older RT**

Characteristics	All patients (n = 658)	Patients who received PCI (n = 364)	Patients who did not receive PCI (n = 294)	P value*
Age, median (range), years	62 (27–95)	61 (34–85)	64 (27–95)	0.061
Race/Ethnicity, No. (%)				0.920
White, non-Hispanic	552 (83.9)	307 (84.3)	245 (84.3)	
White, Hispanic	31 (5.7)	18 (4.9)	13 (4.4)	
Black/African American	60 (9.1)	30 (8.2)	30 (10.2)	
Asian/Pacific Islander	10 (1.5)	6 (1.6)	4 (1.4)	
Other	5 (0.8)	3 (0.8)	2 (0.7)	
Sex, No. (%)				0.731
Male	342 (52.0)	187 (51.4)	155 (52.7)	
Female	316 (48.0)	177 (48.6)	139 (47.3)	
Karnofsky Performance Status, No. (%)				0.002
≥80	550 (83.6)	319 (87.4)	231 (78.6)	
<80	108 (16.4)	45 (12.6)	63 (21.4)	
Treatment Era, No. (%)				0.116
<2000	320 (48.6)	167 (45.9)	153 (52.0)	
≥2000	338 (51.4)	197 (54.1)	141 (48.0)	
Treatment Sequence, No. (%)				0.187
Concurrent CRT	394 (59.9)	229 (62.9)	165 (56.1)	
Induction chemo → CRT	137 (20.8)	72 (19.8)	65 (22.1)	
Induction chemo → RT	127 (19.3)	63 (17.3)	64 (21.8)	
Total XRT Dose, median (range)	45 (45–70)	45 (45–70)	45 (45–70)	0.750
XRT Fractionation, No. (%)				0.087
Once Daily	290 (44.1)	150 (41.2)	140 (47.6)	
Twice Daily	357 (54.3)	210 (57.7)	147 (50.0)	
Mixed	11 (1.7)	4 (1.1)	7 (2.4)	
XRT Technique, No. (%)				0.053
2D/3D	472 (71.3)	250 (68.7)	222 (75.5)	
IMRT	186 (28.7)	144 (31.3)	72 (24.4)	
Primary Tumor Size, No. (%)				0.439
<5 cm	265 (40.3)	148 (40.7)	117 (39.8)	
≥5 cm	336 (51.1)	177 (48.6)	159 (54.1)	
Missing	57 (8.6)	39 (10.7)	18 (6.1)	
Subsequent Brain Metastases, No. (%)				0.036
Yes	139 (21.1)	66 (18.1)	73 (24.8)	
No	519 (78.9)	298 (81.9)	221 (75.2)	
Time to Brain Metastases, Months; median (range)	11 (2.2–73.3)	16.8 (5.6–73.3)	8.2 (2.2–36.6)	<0.001

PCI, prophylactic cranial irradiation; CRT, chemoradiotherapy; chemo, chemotherapy; RT, radiotherapy; 2D, two-dimensional radiotherapy; 3D, three-dimensional radiotherapy; IMRT, intensity-modulated radiotherapy.

* Pearson's chi-squares tests were used for between-group comparisons of categorical variables, and medians tests were used for between-group comparisons of continuous variables. For all comparisons, $p < 0.05$ was taken to be statistically significant.

Absolute difference in Brain Met rate 6.7% PCI vs NO PCI

Doubling of Time to develop brain mets 16.8 v 8.2 mo

Prophylactic cranial irradiation in small-cell lung cancer: Findings from a North Central Cancer Treatment Group Pooled Analysis

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Schild et al: North Central Trials

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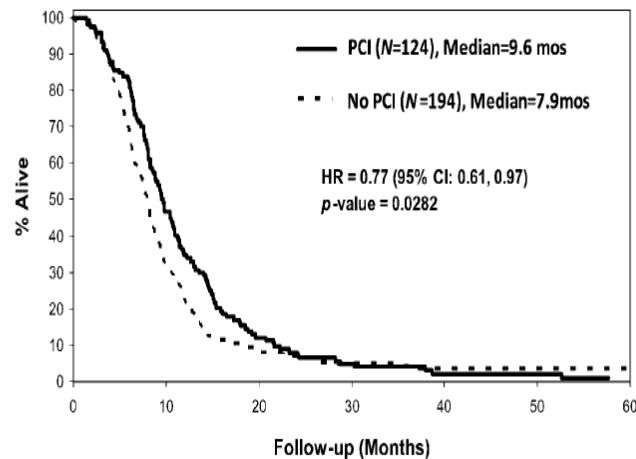


Figure 1. Survival impact of prophylactic cranial irradiation (PCI) (versus no PCI) across all extensive small-cell lung cancer patients.

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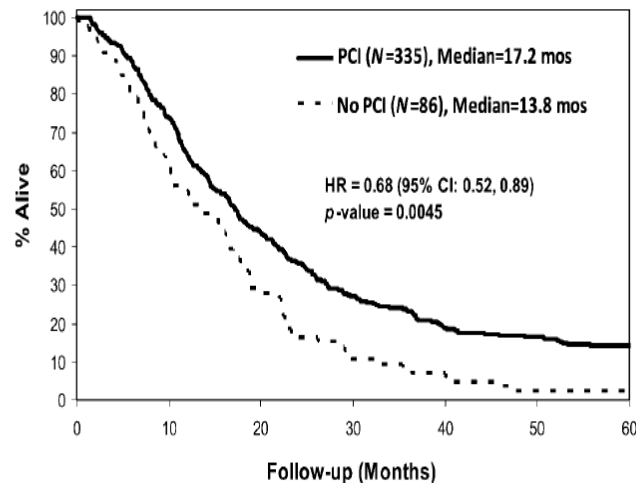


Figure 2. Survival impact of prophylactic cranial irradiation (PCI) (versus no PCI) across all limited small-cell lung cancer patients.

PCI associated with improved OS, **BUT**

No Data provided on Brain Staging

No Data provided on MRI Surveillance

Trials ran from 1987-1999

Table 3. Multivariate analysis of survival (N = 739)

Parameter	Hazard ratio (95% confidence interval)	P value ^{a,c}
PCI (versus no PCI)	0.817 (0.67, 0.99)	0.0409
Age (1-year increase)	1.02 (1.01, 1.03)	0.0002
Male (versus female)	1.17 (0.997, 1.37)	0.0543
PS 1 (versus PS 0)	0.995 (0.84, 1.18)	0.9556 ^a
PS 2 (versus PS 0)	1.20 (0.93, 1.55)	0.1531 ^b
ESCLC (0 or 1 metastatic site) versus LSCLC	1.72 (1.34, 2.22)	<0.0001^b
ESCLC (>1 metastatic site) versus LSCLC	2.21 (1.69, 2.90)	<0.0001^b
CR (versus no CR)	0.77 (0.64, 0.92)	0.0050



TAKE HOME MESSAGE

- In the CONVERT trial we showed that a higher risk of BM :
 - is associated with **larger thoracic tumours**
 - But not with the type of thoracic fractionation, baseline brain imaging, PCI and dose
- Clinical need :
 - **Predictive models** to achieve a more personalised management
 - **New PCI trials performed in the MR imaging era**





Final Report of a Prospective Randomized Study on Thoracic Radiotherapy Target Volumes in Limited-stage SCLC with Radiation Dosimetric and Pathologic Analyses

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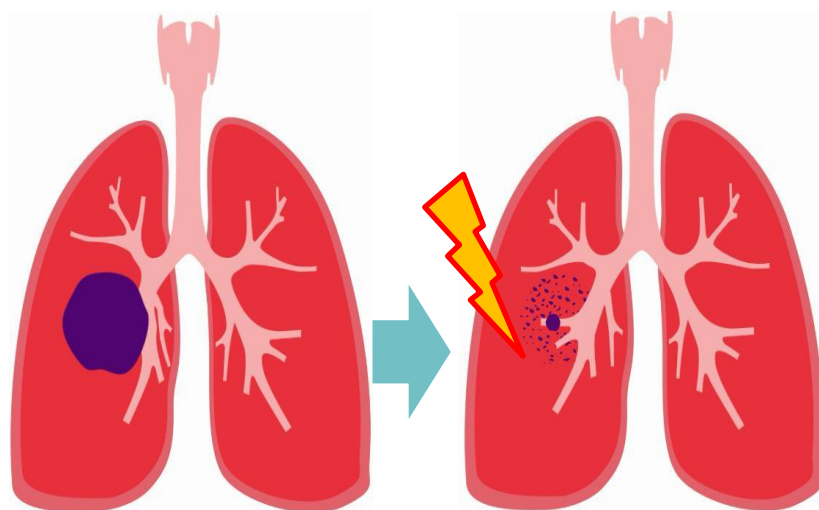
Background

- Small cell lung cancer (SCLC) accounts for approximately 13% of all bronchogenic carcinomas;
- Thoracic radiotherapy (TRT) combined with chemotherapy is the standard of care;
- TRT target volumes have been controversial for more than 20 years;
- Should we treat the post-chemotherapy or the pre-chemotherapy tumor volume ?
- Is involved-field radiotherapy (IFRT) safe for limited-stage SCLC ?
- Few prospective studies were available in the past two decades.



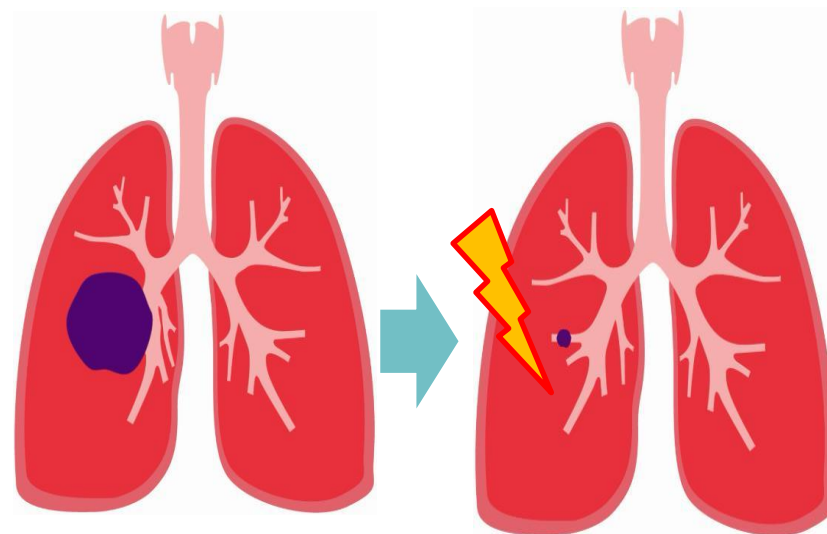


Background



Irradiate pre-chemotherapy volume?

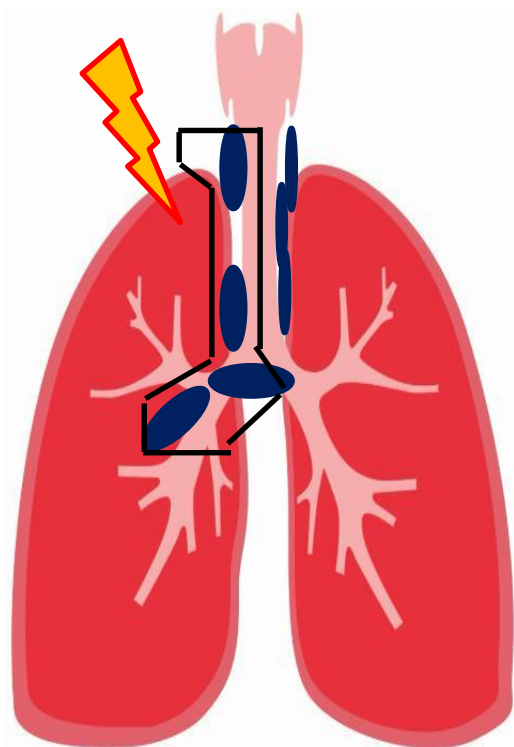
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Irradiate post-chemotherapy residual tumor?

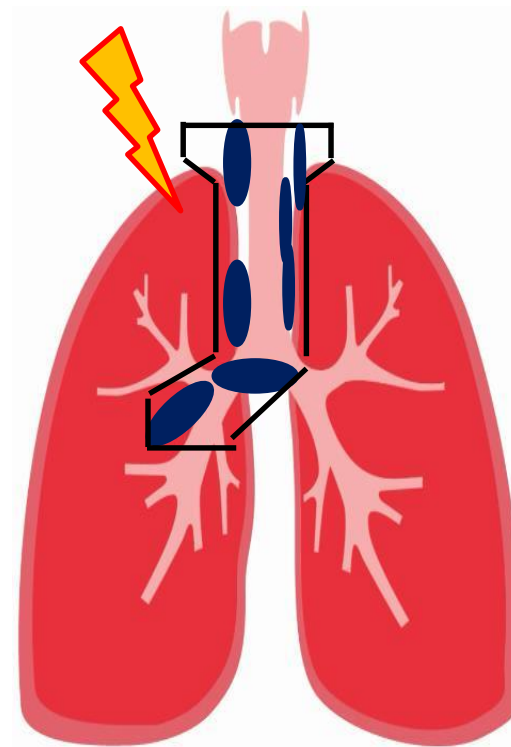


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Involved-field radiotherapy (IFRT)

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Elective nodal irradiation (ENI)



Patients and Methods

Inclusion criteria:

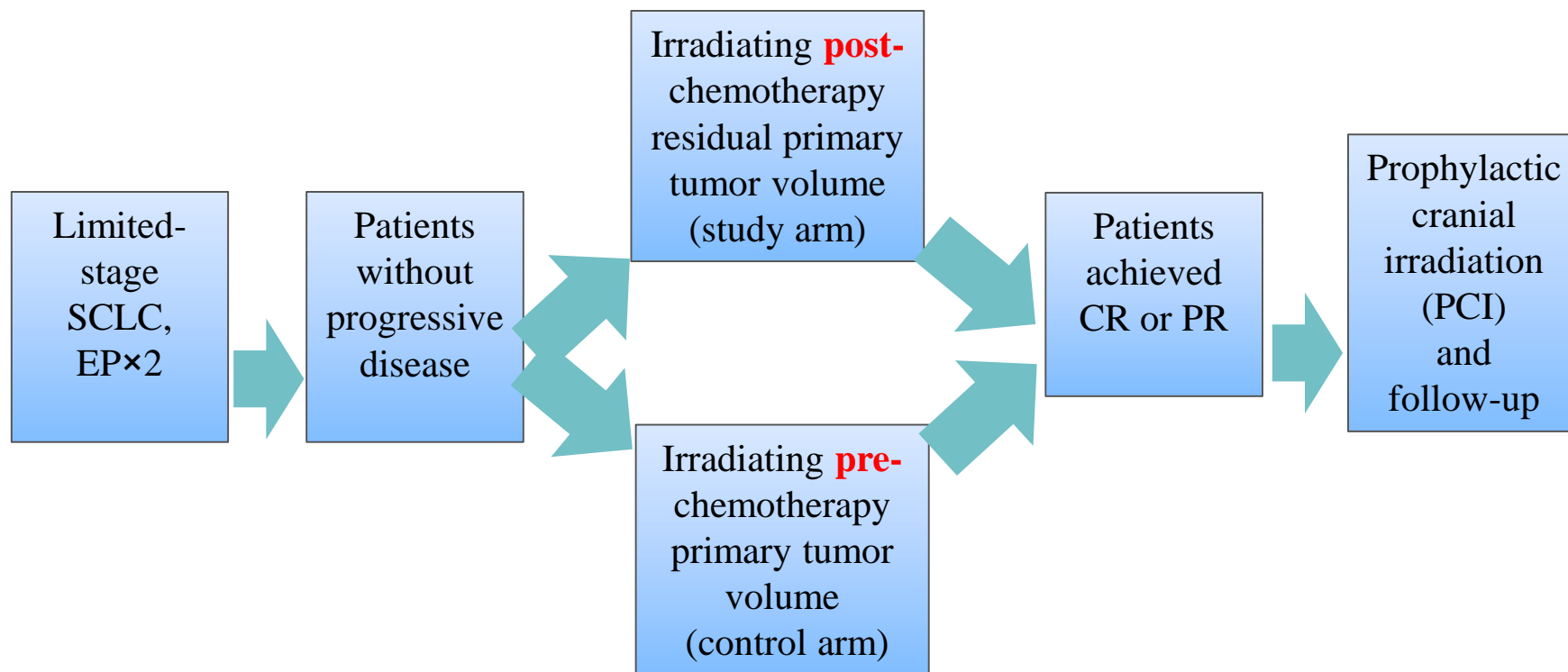
- Histologically or cytologically verified SCLC;
- Limited-stage disease (T1-4N0-3M0);
- No malignant pleural or pericardial effusion;
- Age ≥ 18 and ≤ 75 years old;
- Karnofsky performance status ≥ 80 ;
- Sufficient lung, heart, liver, kidney and bone marrow functions;
- Weight loss less than 10% within 6 months before diagnosis;
- Written informed consent was required.

Exclusion criteria:

- Any contraindications for chemoradiotherapy;
- Other malignant diseases
except: non-melanomatous skin cancer and
carcinoma in situ of cervix;
- Patients during pregnancy or lactating.

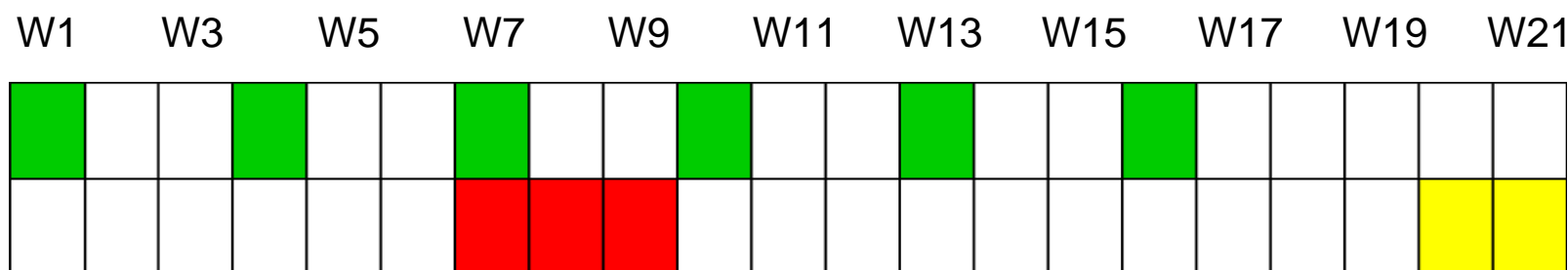


Study Design



Involved-field radiotherapy was applied in both arms





Chemotherapy consisted of etoposide (100 mg/m², d1-3) and cisplatin (80 mg/m², d1) or carboplatin (AUC=5, d1) was administered intravenously at 21-day intervals for 4 to 6 cycles.

TRT consisted of 1.5 Gy bid in 30 fractions over a 3-week period to a total dose of 45 Gy.

PCI was delivered daily to a total dose of 30 Gy or 25 Gy.



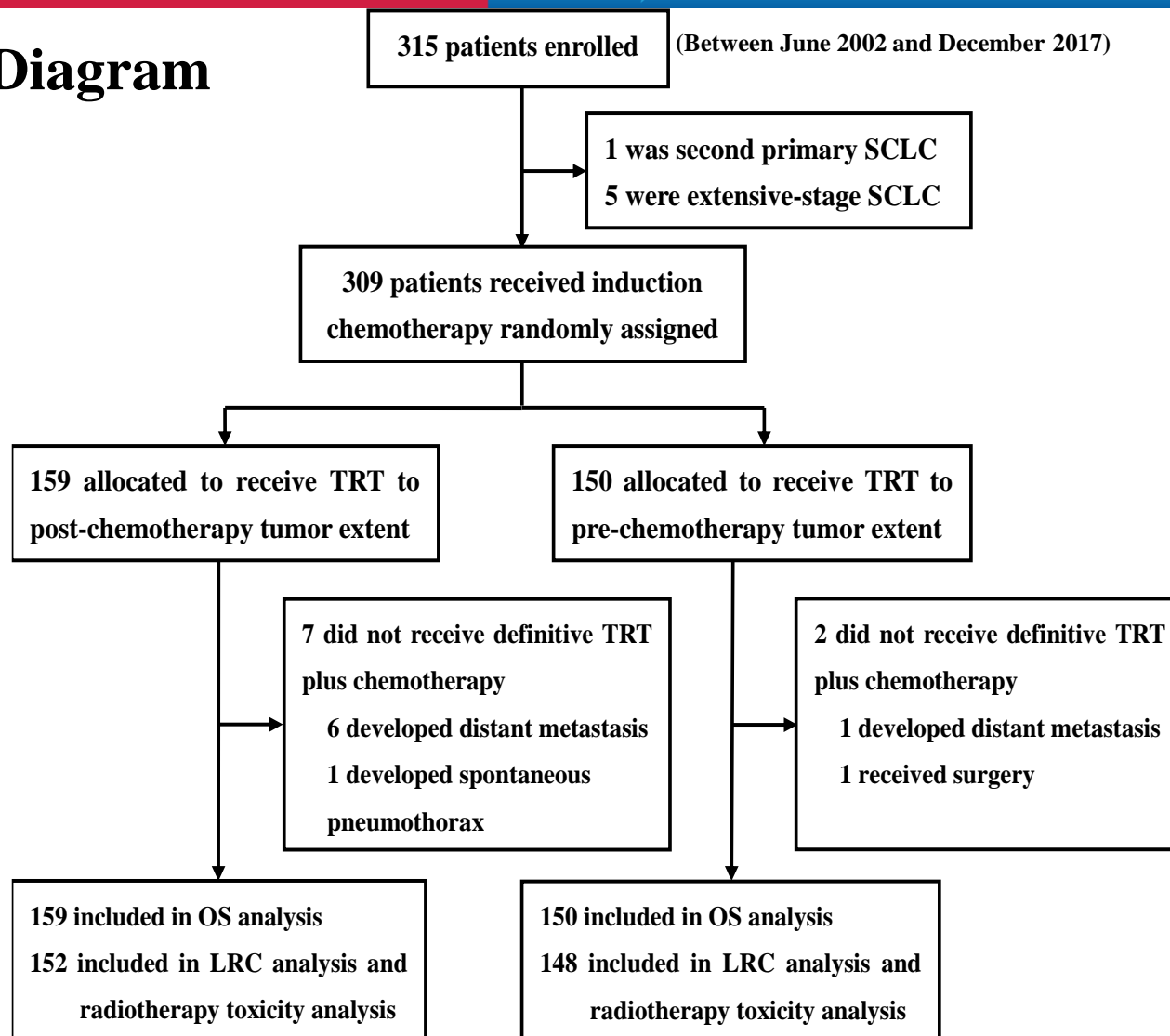
Study Objectives

- Primary endpoint:
3-year local/regional control probability
- Secondary endpoints:
Overall survival
Failure patterns
Treatment related toxicities (CTCAE v3.0 and RTOG criteria)





Consort Diagram



Baseline Characteristics

CS Characteristics	Study Arm (n=159)		Control Arm (n=150)		P
	No. of Patients	%	No. of Patients	%	
Age (years)					
Median	59		58		
Range	34-75		32-75		
Sex					
Male	130	81.8	131	87.3	0.20
Female	29	18.2	19	12.7	
KPS					
90	107	67.3	111	74.0	0.21
80	52	32.7	39	26.0	
Mean FEV1 (L)	2.15		2.23		0.32
Weight loss					
< 5%	135	84.9	130	86.7	0.74
5%-10%	24	15.1	20	13.3	
Tumor type					
Central	123	77.4	117	78.0	1.0
Peripheral	36	22.6	33	22.0	
AJCC Staging					
I	2	1.3	2	1.4	0.51
II	8	5.0	10	6.6	
IIIA	43	27.0	48	32.0	
IIIB	106	66.7	90	60.0	
PET/CT examination	34	21.4	25	19.1	0.31



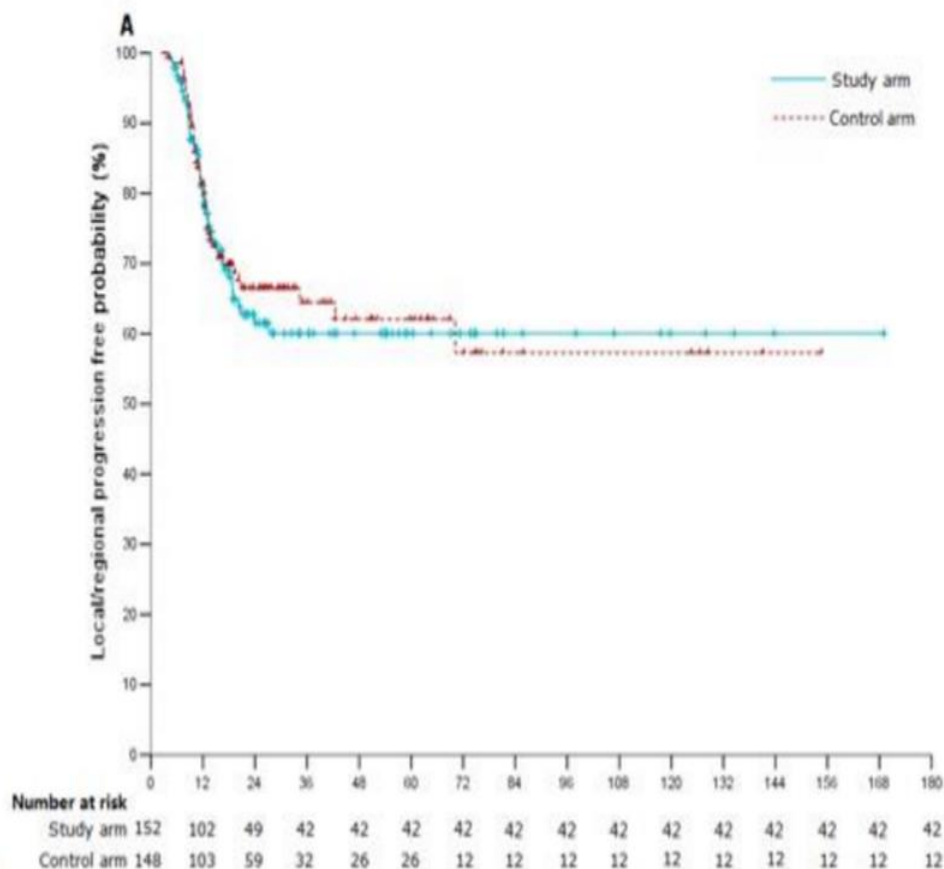
Treatment Delivery

Chemotherapy	Study arm N=159 (%)	Control arm N=150 (%)
Cycles		
0	2 (1.3)	0 (0)
2	6 (3.8)	2 (1.3)
3	9 (5.7)	12 (8.0)
4	94 (59.1)	83 (55.3)
5	17 (10.7)	23 (15.3)
6	31 (19.5)	30 (20.0)

Radiotherapy	Study arm N=159 (%)	Control arm N=150 (%)
No TRT	7 (4.4)	2 (1.3)
IMRT	81 (53.3)	66 (44.6)
Not complete TRT	3 (1.9)	3 (2.0)
PCI	98 (64.5)	97 (65.5)
30 Gy/15 F	12 (12.2)	11 (11.3)
25 Gy/10 F	83 (84.7)	83 (85.6)
Other doses	3 (3.1)	3 (3.1)

Equivalent Locoregional Recurrence 1-5y

Local/regional Progression Free Probability (per-protocol)



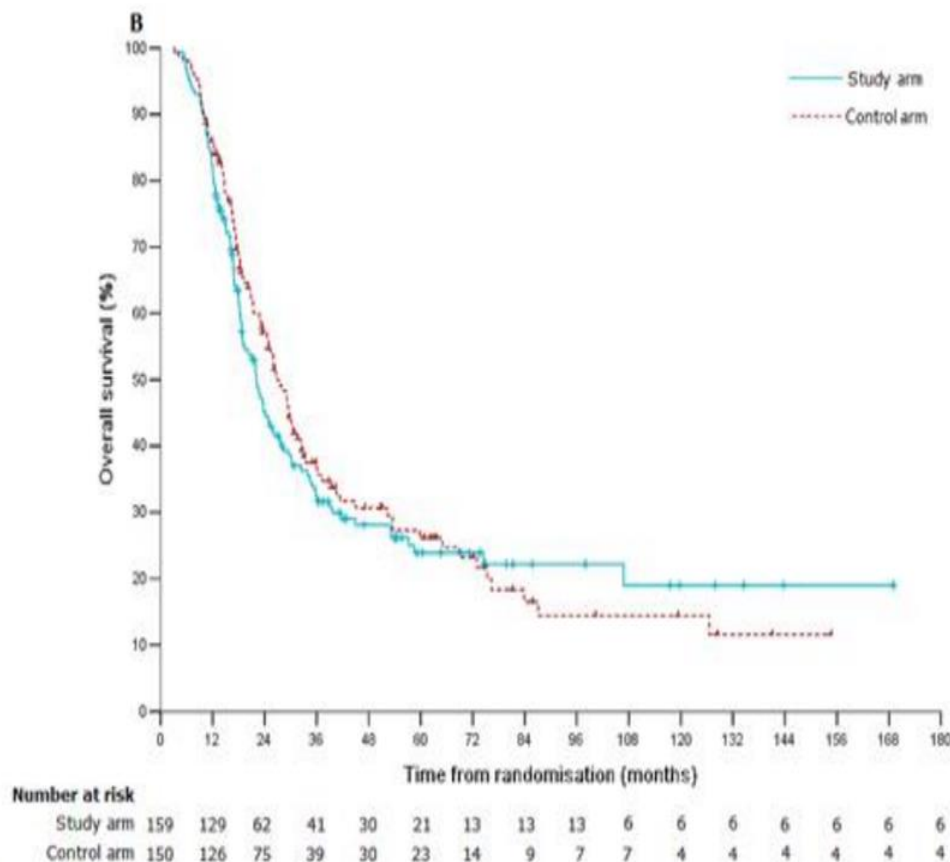
Median follow-up: 35.4 (6.6-165) months in survivors

LRPFP	Study arm N=152	Control arm N=148	<i>P</i>
1-year	79.4%	79.8%	0.74
3-year	60.1%	64.5%	
5-year	60.1%	57.3%	

HR: 0.93, 95% CI: 0.62-1.39

Equivalent Overall Survival 1-5y

Overall Survival (intention-to-treat)



OS	Study arm N=159	Control arm N=150	P
Median (months)	22.1 (18.2-26.0)	26.9 (23.5-30.3)	0.51
1-year	81.1%	85.3%	
3-year	31.6%	36.6%	
5-year	23.9%	26.1%	

HR: 0.91, 95% CI: 0.70-1.19



Adverse Events (acute)

Toxic Effect/Grade	Study Arm		Control Arm		<i>P</i>
	No.	%	No.	%	
Acute Toxic					
Haematologic toxicity ≥ grade 3					
Leucopenia					
III	59	37.1	55	36.7	0.35
IV	13	8.2	10	6.7	
Neutropenia					
III	59	37.1	56	37.3	0.72
IV	41	25.8	34	22.7	
Thrombocytopenia					
III	32	20.1	19	12.7	0.34
IV	16	10.1	12	8.0	
V	1	0.6	0	0	
Anemia					
III	34	21.4	29	19.3	0.59
IV	15	9.4	8	5.3	

Toxic Effect/Grade	Study Arm		Control Arm		P
	No.	%	No.	%	
Radiotherapy related toxicities					
Pneumonitis					
I-II	60	39.4	65	43.9	0.40
III	2	1.3	1	0.7	
IV	0	0	0	0	
V	2	1.3	0	0	
Esophagitis					
I	87	57.2	63	42.6	0.01
II	41	27.0	41	27.7	
III	9	5.9	23	15.5	
Weight loss					
I	30	19.7	43	29.1	0.16
II	12	7.9	9	6.1	



Adverse events (late)

Toxic Effect/Grade	Study Arm		Control Arm		<i>P</i>
	No.	%	No.	%	
Late toxicities					
Pulmonary fibrosis					
I	33	21.7	29	19.6	0.01
II	3	2.0	14	9.5	
III	0	0	2	1.4	
Esophageal stricture					
I	8	5.3	6	4.1	0.53
II	0	0	1	0.7	3





UK Trial

Omitting elective nodal irradiation during thoracic irradiation in limited-stage small cell lung cancer – Evidence from a phase II trial

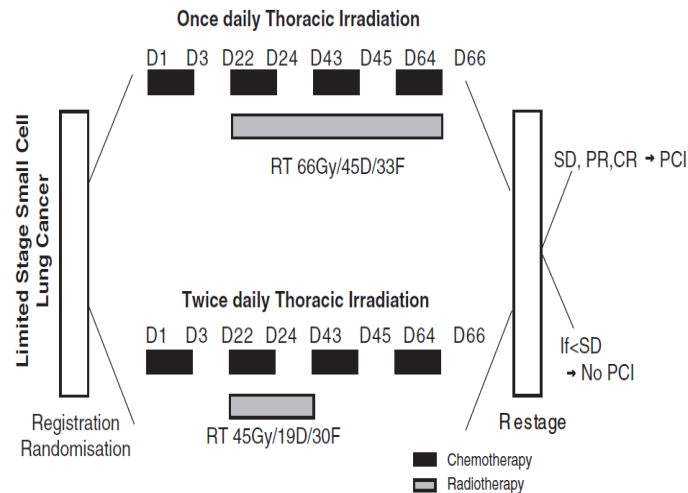
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SD -
PR - Partial response
CR - Complete response
PCI - Prophylactic cranial irradiation

Fig. 1. ACTOR trial – phase II comparison of accelerated twice-daily compared with once-daily thoracic radiotherapy in limited stage small-cell lung cancer treated concurrently with etoposide and cisplatin.

Colaco et al: Phase II trial of concurrent chemoRT that omitted ENI based on CT imaging

No excess isolated recurrences out of field

Table 2

Patterns of recurrence.

	No patients (%)	Once-daily RT (n, %)	Twice-daily RT (n, %)
Isolated NR outside PTV	0	0	0
NR outside PTV + other recurrence	2 (6)	1 (3.8)	1 (10)
Isolated PTV recurrence	2 (6)	1 (3.8)	1 (10)
PTV recurrence + other recurrence	4 (11)	2 (7.7)	2 (20)
DM only	6 (17)	6 (23.1)	0
No recurrence	17 (47)	12 (46.2)	5 (50)
Non-evaluable	5 (13)	4 (15.4)	1 (10)
Total	36 (100)	26 (100)	10 (100)

NR, nodal recurrence; DM, distant metastasis; PTV, planning target volume; RT, radiotherapy.

Phase II trial

Netherlands Trial

Omission of elective node irradiation on basis of CT-scans in patients with limited disease small cell lung cancer: A phase II trial

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Comparison of Treatment Outcomes Between Involved-field and Elective Nodal Irradiation in Limited-stage Small Cell Lung Cancer

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Retrospective study

80 pts chemoRT for LS-SCLC

n=50 IF RT; n=30 ENI

6% Isolated nodal failure IF RT group; 0%
ENI

Improved outcomes with ENI if NO PET

3y OS 56% vs 29%, p=0.02

POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY/COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY-GUIDED INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY FOR LIMITED-STAGE SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER

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Retrospective

60 pts

LS-SCLC underwent **PET** and IMRT including
4D planning **omitting ENI**

Median f/u 21 mos

30/60 pts recurred

1/30 isolated nodal recurrence



Summary of the Clinical Study

- This is the only randomized trial regarding radiotherapy target volumes using modern radiotherapy techniques;
- With a median follow-up of 35.4 months (for survivors), the 3-year LRPFP was 60.1% in study arm vs. 64.5% in control arm (HR: 0.93, 95% CI: 0.62-1.39, $P=0.74$);
- Although $> 90\%$ patient were stage III, 5-year OS of 23.9% in study arm vs. 26.1% in control arm was achieved (HR: 0.91, 95% CI: 0.70-1.19, $P=0.51$);
- No out-field recurrence of the primary tumor was developed in the study arm;
- No out-field recurrence of mediastinal lymph node was observed in both arms when IFRT was used;
- Treatment related toxicities were comparable in the two arms, except for significantly more acute esophagitis and pulmonary fibrosis in the control arm.



Conclusions

- Irradiation to the post-chemotherapy tumor volume and application of IFRT did not increase local/regional failure;
- Less patients suffered from acute esophagitis and late pulmonary toxicity;
- TRT can be limited to post-chemotherapy tumor extent IFRT can be routinely applied in daily practice for patients with limited-stage SCLC.





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Role of Radiation Therapy in the Combined-Modality Treatment of Patients With Extensive Disease Small-Cell Lung Cancer: A Randomized Study

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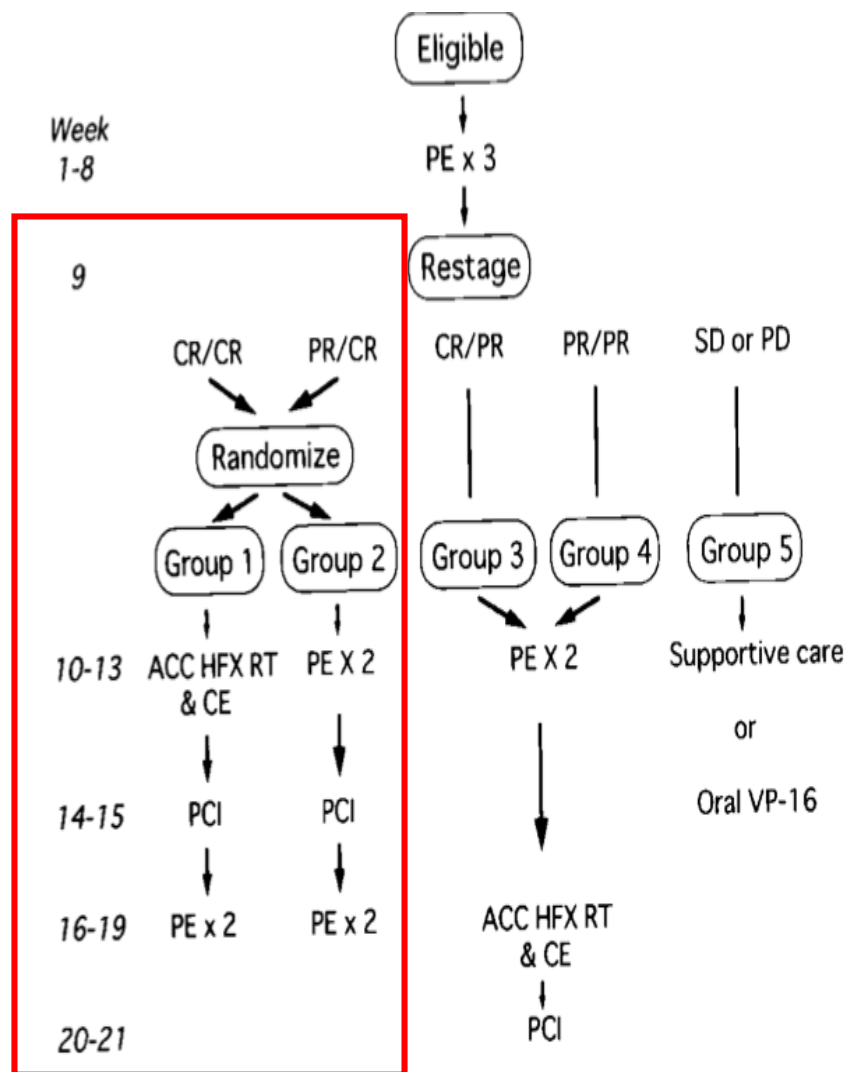


PE +/- Acc Fx RT for ED-SCLC

- 210 patients
- ED SCLC
- KPS \geq 70
- Staging

No. of metastatic sites							
1	97	23	25	18	14	17	.91
2	87	27	23	12	11	14	
3	17	4	5	3	2	3	
4	4	1	1	1	0	1	
5	1	0	0	0	1	0	

- CXR and tomography
- Bronchoscopy
- BMbx
- Brain, bone, liver radionuclide scans
- abd US
- CT brain and chest ---after 1989

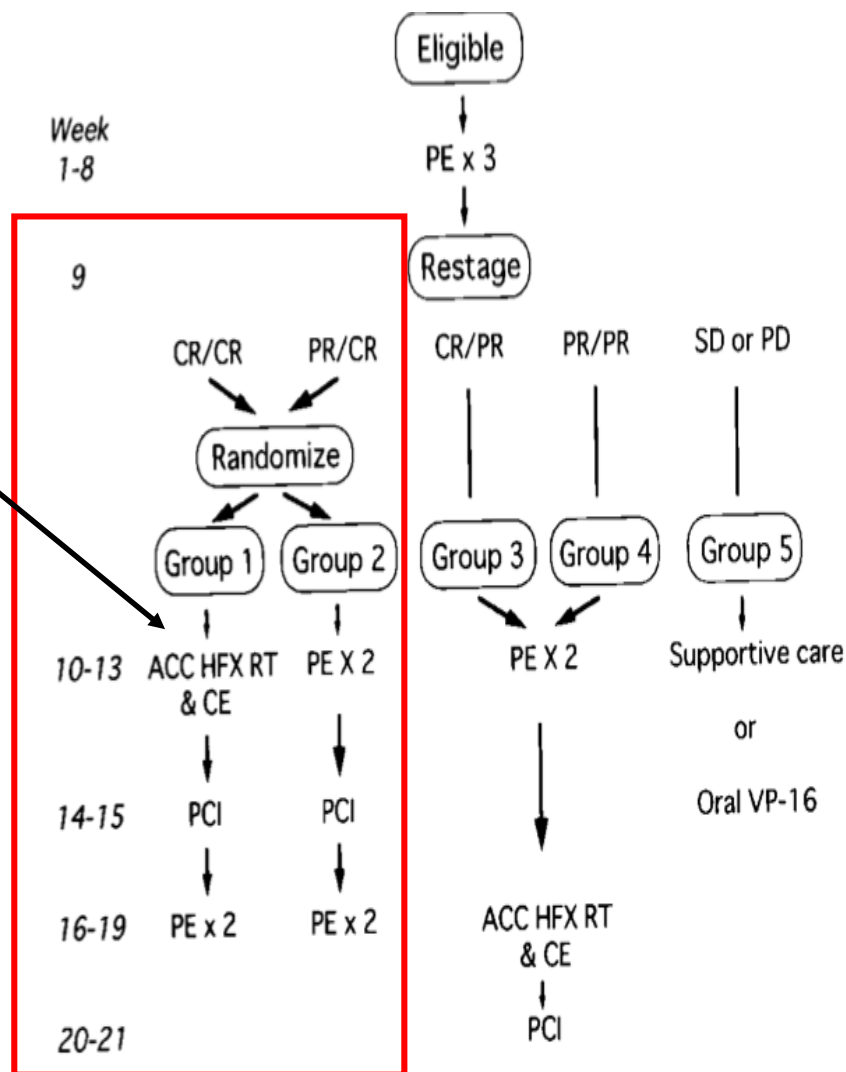




Radiation
 AP/PA : 36 Gy in 24 fx
 Oblique fields: 18 Gy in 12 fx

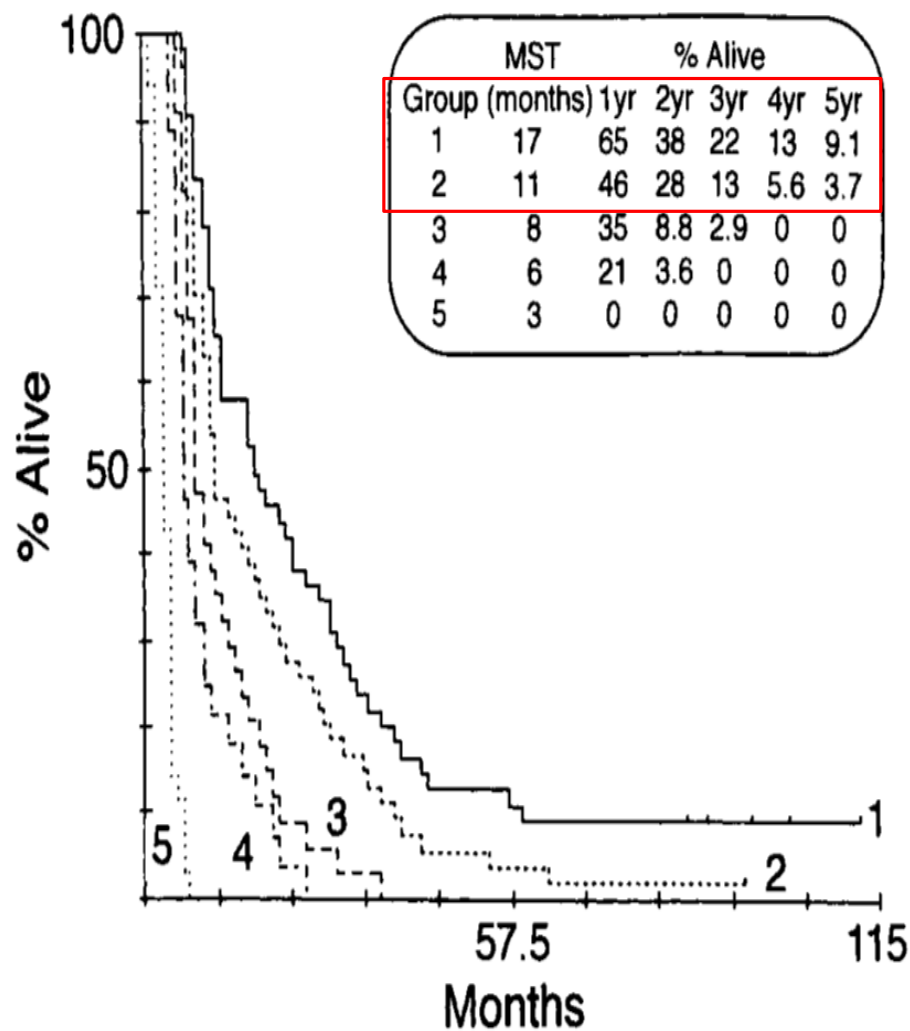
Fields
 Gross disease
 Ipsi +2cm
 Mediastinum +1 cm
 Bilat supraclav

Concurrent ChT
 Carbo 50 mg/Etoposide
 50mg
 Daily





Survival





Conclusion

The addition of ACC HFX RT to the treatment of the most favorable subset of patients led to improved survival over that obtained with ChT alone



THE LANCET



Use of thoracic radiotherapy for extensive stage small-cell lung cancer: a phase 3 randomised controlled trial

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CREST Trial design

Chest
radiotherapy
extensive
stage
trial

ES-SCLC

No brain- /leptomeningeal mets
No pleural mets
No previous RTX brain/thorax
Any response after 4-6 cycles
of platinum-based
chemotherapy
WHO 0-2
Age 18+
Encompassable volume

Arm A

PCI + TRT (10 x 3 Gy)

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Stratification:

- Residual intrathoracic disease
- Institution

Arm B

PCI

Study treatment should start between 2 and 7 weeks after last chemotherapy

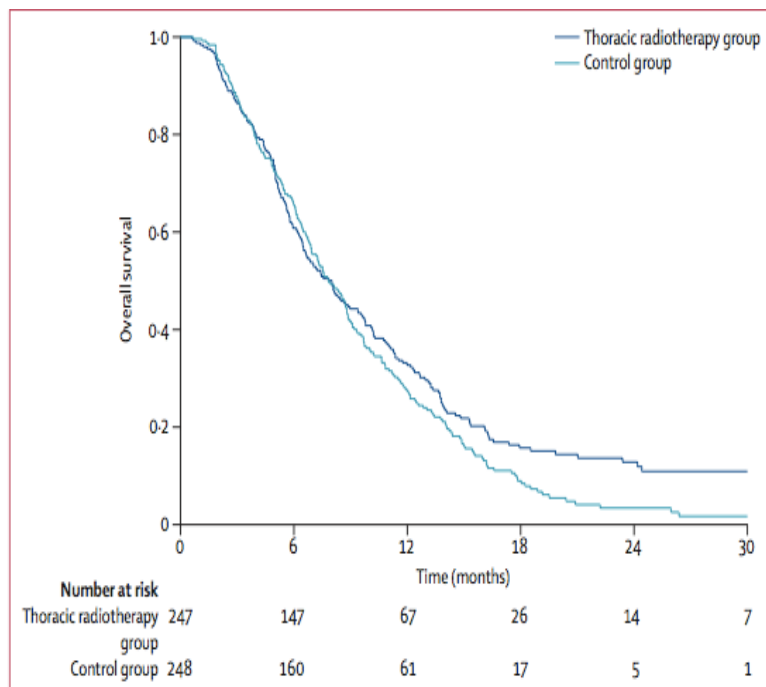


Patient Characteristics

Patient characteristics	(n=495)
Median age	63 yrs
Male : Female	54.7 : 45.3
WHO 0 : 1 : 2	33.7 : 55.8 : 5.1
Response (CR : PR : Good response)	5.1 : 70.7 : 24.2
Persistent intrathoracic disease (yes : no)	87.7 : 12.3
ES with M ₀ ; M ₁	6.9 ; 93.1



Overall and Progression-Free Survival

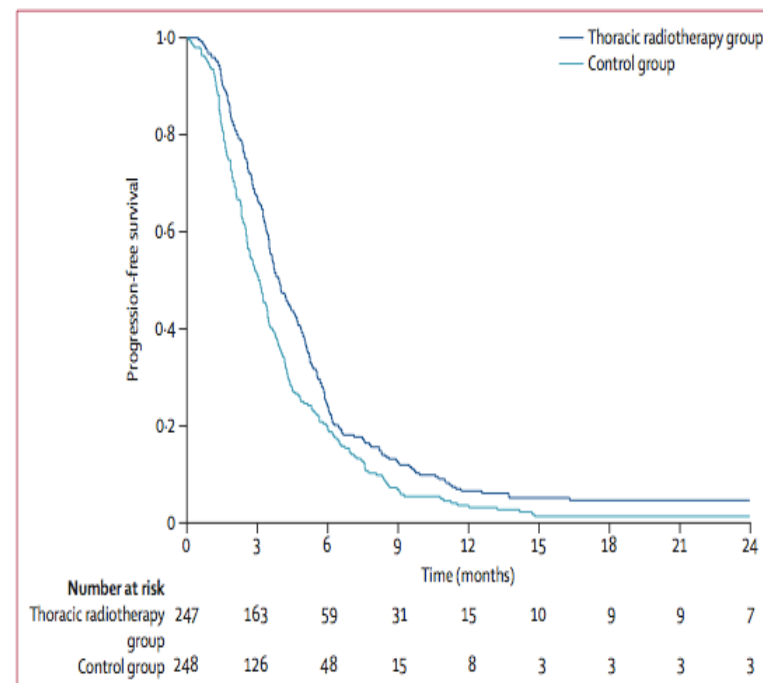


Overall survival

HR = 0.84 (95%CI 0.69-1.01) p=0.066

12 m: 33% vs. 28%

24 m: 13% vs. 3% (p=0.004)



Progression-free survival 6 mos

24% (95% CI 19-30) vs 20% (95% CI 16-26) p=0.001

Progression was less likely in the RT group

HR = 0.73 (95%CI 0.61-0.87) p=0.001





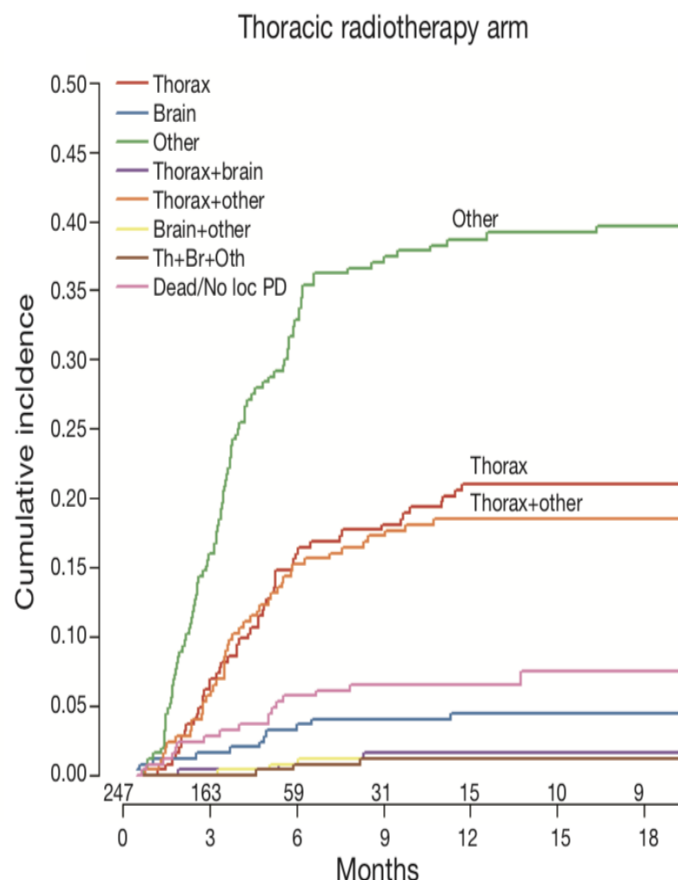
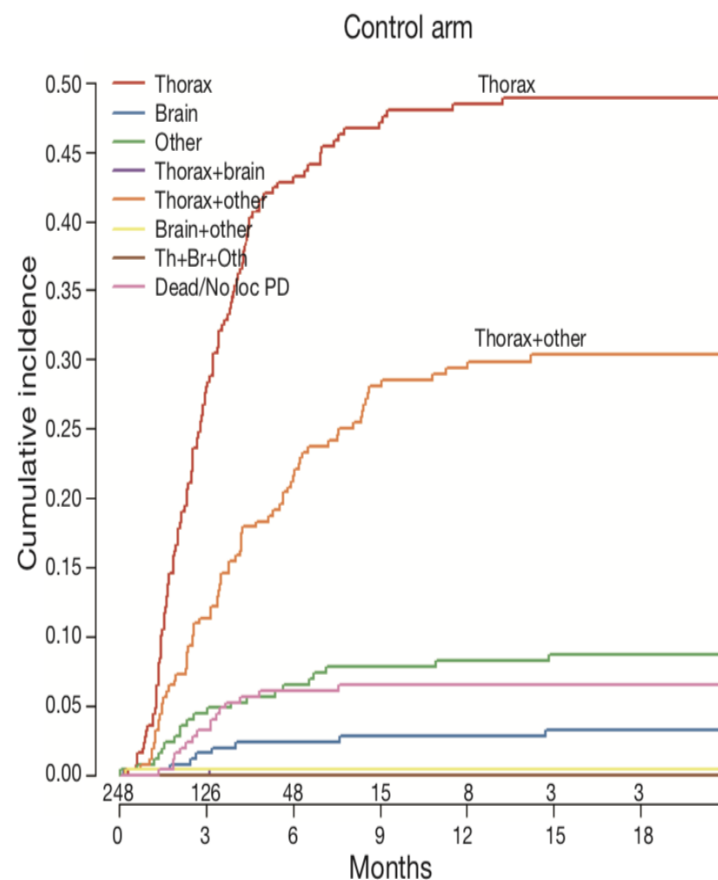
Conclusion

Thoracic radiotherapy (30Gy in 10fx)

- Improves overall survival
- Improves progression-free survival
- Improves intrathoracic control
- TRT should be offered in addition to PCI to patients with a response but residual intrathoracic disease after chemotherapy



CREST



Recurrences occurred later and were more often in extra-thoracic and extra-cranial sites

Survival outcomes after whole brain radiotherapy for brain metastases in elderly patients with newly diagnosed metastatic small cell carcinoma

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Background

- Small Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC)
 - Advanced age at diagnosis
 - High incidence of brain metastases
 - Treatment consists of whole brain radiotherapy (WBRT) or best supportive care

WBRT

- Effective treatment
 - SCLC radiosensitive
- Tolerated poorly by the elderly
 - Short and long term toxicity (i.e., fatigue and neurocognition)
 - No proven survival benefit

WBRT Toxicity

- Chang et al. Lancet Oncol. 2009 Nov;10(11):1037-44
 - *“SRS plus WBRT were at a greater risk of a significant decline in learning and memory function by 4 months compared with the group that received SRS alone”*
- Brown et al. JAMA 2016 Jul 26;316(4):401-409
 - *“compared with SRS combined with WBRT, resulted in less cognitive deterioration at 3 months. In the absence of a difference in overall survival, these findings suggest that for patients with 1 to 3 brain metastases amenable to radiosurgery, SRS alone may be a preferred strategy”*

Survival benefit unclear in elderly

- QUARTZ Trial

- Mulveena et al. Lancet 2016 Oct 22;388(10055):2004-2014.
 - *“the combination of the small difference in QALYs and the absence of a difference in survival and quality of life between the two groups suggests that WBRT provides little additional clinically significant benefit for this patient group”*

Does WBRT improve survival in an exclusively elderly population with SCLC brain metastases?

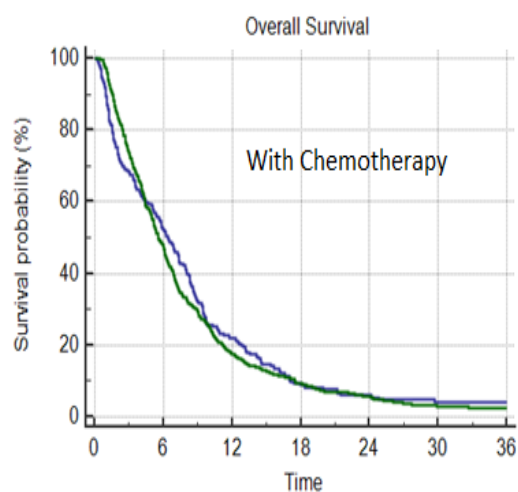
National Cancer Database Study

- 1615 patients ≥ 75 years old with SCLC brain metastases at diagnosis
 - chemotherapy+WBRT (n=576)
 - chemotherapy alone (n=238)
 - WBRT alone (n=360)
 - no treatment (n=441).
- Clinical and demographic characteristics reported
- Multivariable regression analysis for survival
- Propensity score-matching was utilized

Results

- Median age 79 years
- WBRT median dose 30 Gy
- Median OS of 2.9 months
- OS for patients receiving chemotherapy
 - WBRT 5.6 months vs no WBRT 6.4 months ($p=0.43$)
- OS for patients without chemotherapy
 - WBRT 1.9 months vs no WBRT 1.2 months ($p<0.0001$)
- Multivariable cox regression revealed age >80 , extracranial disease, male sex, and rural location as predictors of increased risk of death.

Figure 1. Overall Survival With WBRT in Elderly Patients With and Without Chemotherapy



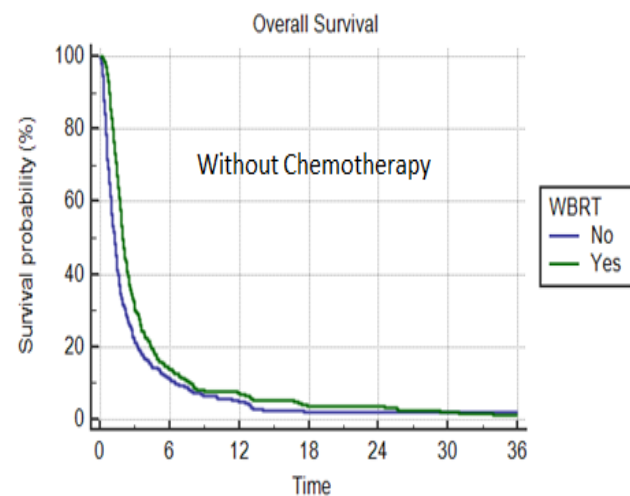
Number at risk

Group: No

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Group: Yes

576 268 98 50 29 13 7



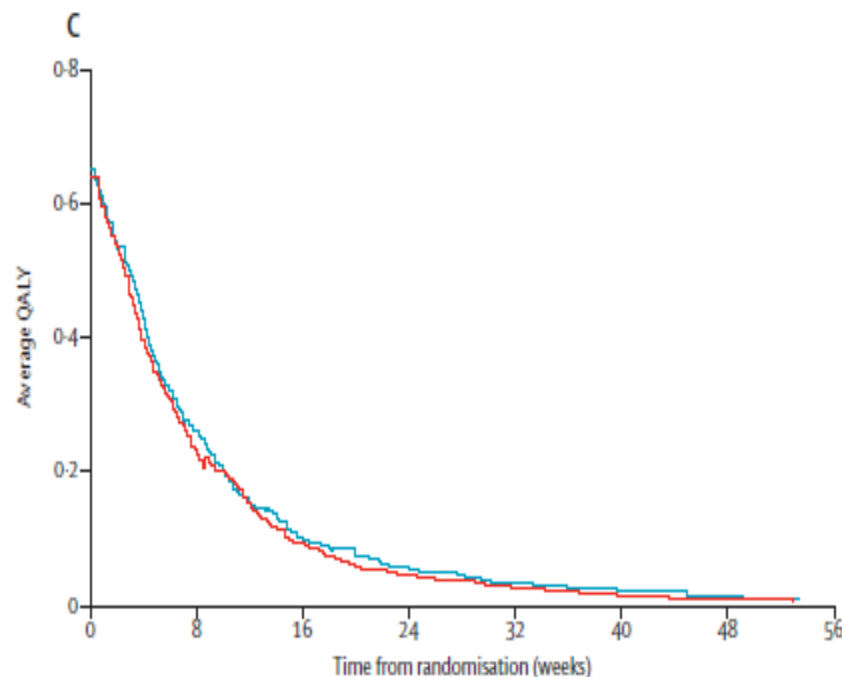
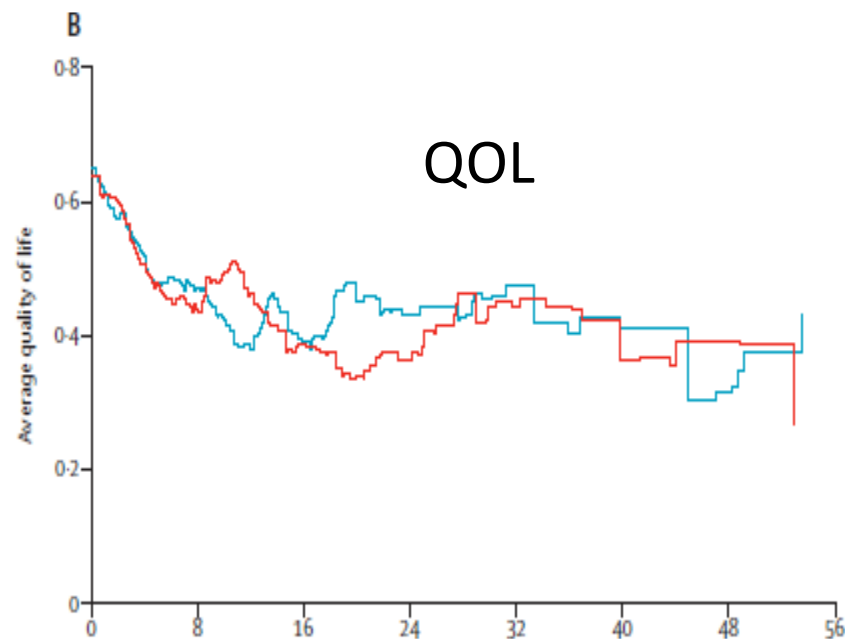
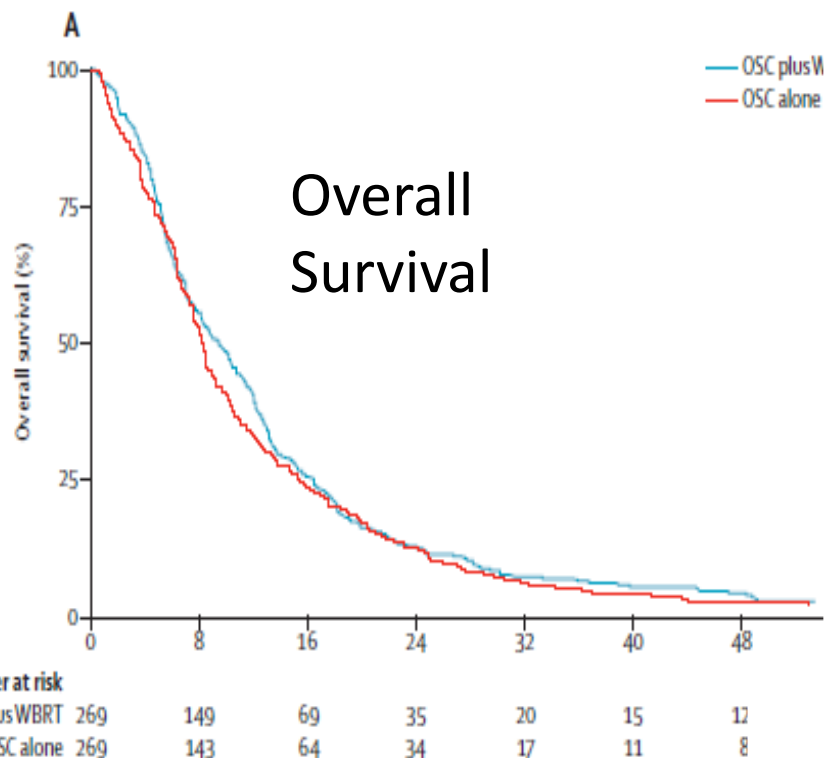
Number at risk

Group: No

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Group: Yes

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QUARTZ Trial:

Failure to demonstrate OS or QOL benefit with 20 Gy in 5 fx WBRT compared to Decadron + Supportive Care alone

Conclusions

- WBRT for SCLC brain metastasis in the elderly should be administered with caution
 - Lack of clear survival benefit
 - Clear toxicity
 - Other options: SRS, Chemotherapy, BSC



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