Controversies in Mesothelioma

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Survival with Trimodality Remains Poor



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Mesothelioma is Difficult to Treat





Efforts to Improve Local Control





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Surgery for Mesothelioma After Radiation Therapy

Study Schema





De Perrot. J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2016;151:468-75

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Overall Survival







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Survival by Histology and Nodal Status

MOS epithelial ypN0 44.9 mo, epithelial ypN+ 22.6 mo MOS biphasic ypN0 25.5 mo, biphasic ypN+ 12.0 mo

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MDFS epithelial ypN0 47.9 mo, epithelial ypN+ 13.8 mo, MDFS biphasic ypN0 16.1 mo, biphasic ypN+ 6.1 mo







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Conclusions

- Older radiotherapy techniques suffer from poor outcomes (tumour failure, toxicity) so newer, smarter solutions are needed
- Newer RT techniques, with better RT planning/delivery as well as better understanding of MPM, have better outcomes
- We still haven't found a cure so, in that sense, we are not yet SMART enough
- Next paradigm shift in MPM treatment will likely come from optimizing host (e.g. immunotherapy) and tumour (e.g. microenvironment) factors and finding how best to combine and sequence all these different therapeutic modalities and factors together





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Take Home Message

Radiotherapy plays an important part in the multimodal management of MPM. The optimal dose, volume, fractionation, and sequencing with other therapies (e.g. surgery, systemic) are still unknown and an area of active research.



Risks of Being Too SMART

- If a patient does not have surgery within 2 weeks of RT as scheduled due to:
 - Unexpected illness, trauma, early RT complication, etc
 - Surgically unresectable at the time of planned thoracotomy
- Neoadjuvant RT complications could cause a loss of a chance at a definitive surgical resection vs. upfront surgery
- Potentially <u>FATAL</u> pneumonitis

- Concern for lack of exportability outside of PMH or a mesothelioma center of excellence due to high complexity of the SMART approach and need for coordination and cooperation between rad onc and thoracic surgery
- More difficult ability to deliver adjuvant RT in cases of R2 resections

Potential Benefits of Lung-Sparing Surgery

- Lower perioperative mortality rate
- Lower surgical complication rates
- Better preservation of quality of life
- Better preservation of PFTs
- Better able to tolerate salvage therapies
- Better overall survival

	Pass	Nakas	Lang- Lazdunski	Friedberg
Number of Patients (PD/EPP)	78 (39/39)	165 (67/98)	76 (54/22)	52 (38/14)
% Stage III/IV (PD/EPP)	100%/100%	100%/100%	63%/86.5%	97%/86%
Intraoperative Adjuvant	+/- photodynamic therapy	None	Hyperthermic povidone iodine	Photodynamic therapy
Operative Mortality (PD/EPP)	0%/5%	3%/7%	0%/4.5%	0%/14%
Median Survival (PD/EPP)	14.5/9.4 mo**	13.4/14.7 mo*	23/12.8 mo*	31.7/8.4 mo**

Conclusions

- The SMART approach lead to a very impressive median OS
 - Patient population was generally earlier clinical stage, more limited tumor volume
 - Neoadjuvant RT may be difficult to generalize/export (could limit resectability, lead to fatal pneumonitis) and make adjuvant RT for gross residual disease difficult
- Adjuvant RT reduces the risk of local/pleural/nodal recurrences and can be tailored to higher risk populations
 - Gross residual disease, multi-station N2 disease, positive posterior intercostal LNs, large tumor volumes
 - Proton therapy may be a safer and more beneficial way to deliver adjuvant RT than IMRT



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Trial Checkpoint Trial Design Inhibitor	Checkpoint	Trial Design	Patient po	Endpoint	
	Sample size	Line of therapy			
Keynote-028	Pembrolizumab	Phase Ib, single arm	N=25	Post SOC or unable to receive SOC, PS 0-1 PD L1≥ 1%	Safety; Objective response rate
NCT02399371	Pembrolizumab	Phase II, single arm	N=64	Pleural and peritoneal ≤2 lines; PS0-1 PD-L1 unselected	Response rate
Real world	Pembrolizumab	Retrospective	N=93	Retrospective off label use	Response, PFS, OS

SOC: standard of care



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Trial	Checkpoint Inhibitor	Trial Design	Patient popul Sample size	ation Line of therapy	Endpoint
MERIT	Nivolumab	Single arm	N=34	2 nd or 3 rd line PS 0-1	Objective response rate
Nivo-MES	Nivolumab	Single arm	N=34	2 nd or 3 rd line	DCR at 12 weeks
INITIATE	Nivolumab/ Ipilimumab	Single arm	N=32	Previously treated PS 0-1, disease amenable to bx	DCR at 12 weeks
MAPS-2	Nivolumab or Nivolumab/Ipilimumab	Non-comparative randomized	N=129	2 nd or 3 rd Line PS 0-1	DCR at 12 weeks



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			Sample size	Line of therapy	
JAVELIN	Avelumab	Single Arm	N=53	Pleural or peritoneal 2 nd Line; PS 0-1	ORR
DREAM	Durvalumab/ pemetrexed/ cisplatin	Single arm	N=31	First line, inoperable PS 0-1	PFS at 6 months
NIBIT- MESO1	Tremelimumab/ Durvalumab	Single arm	N=40	Inoperable 2 nd line or first line	Immune OR
Meso-trem 2008 (2012)	Tremelimumab (Intensified schedule)	Single arm	N=29	2 nd Line	iORR
DETERMINE	Tremelimumab vs. placebo	Phase IIB randomized	N=571	Pleural or peritoneal 2 nd or 3 rd line	OS







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What we know for PD-1 and PD-L1 inhibitors: Response rate

- Single agents 9-20%; 55% for chemo- durvalumab
- Durable responses
- PFS 4-7, OS 10-18 months

What we do not know

- Efficacy versus SOC in first and second line
- Single agent or in combination
- Histologic subtypes
- Markers of response







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Randomize

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Determine: Phase IIb Randomized Double Blind, Placebo Controlled Trial of Tremelimumab as 2nd or 3rd line treatment of unresectable malignant mesothelioma

Pleural or peritoneal mesothelioma PS≤1

1 -2 prior regimens including platinum Measurable disease **Tremelimumab i.v** 10mg/Kg q4weeks for 7 doses then q 12 weeks

Stratification factors Pleural vs. peritoneal 2nd vs. 3rd line EORTC low vs. high risk

Placebo i.v.

Primary endpoint: Overall survival

Secondary endpoints: 18 month OS; Progression Free Survival; ORR; Safety



Maio M et al. Lancet Oncol. 2017;18(9):1261





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Maio M et al. Lancet Oncol. 2017;18(9):1261; presented at ASCO 2016 H.L. Kindler, J Clin Oncol 34, 2016 (suppl; abstr 8502)

IND227: A Randomized Study of Pembrolizumab in Patients with Advanced Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma. NCT02784171



Primary Endpoint: Overall Survival

<u>Secondary Endpoints</u>: Progression Free Survival; Response Rate; Quality of Life; Incremental Cost

Effectiveness; Tolerability; Predictive/prognostic value of PD-L1









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Study of Nivolumab Combined With Ipilimumab Versus Pemetrexed and Cisplatin or Carboplatin as First Line Therapy in Unresectable Pleural Mesothelioma Patients (CheckMate743) NCT02899299



Primary endpoints: OS and PFS; secondary endpoints: objective response rate; disease control rate; PD-L1 expression and efficacy





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- Promising *preliminary* signal of activity
- Preliminary results of efficacy are not always maintained when tested in larger randomized trials
- Insufficient data to recommend checkpoint inhibitors outside of clinical trial
- Enrol patients on randomized trials to determine the role of checkpoint inhibitors in mesothelioma



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Trial design – Single-arm, multicentre phase II trial with a safety run-in, N= 54





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Statistical considerations

- 2-stage Simon's design: 31 in stage 1, additional 23 in stage 2, for total n= 54
- 6 patient initial safety run-in using a 3+3 design
- Null hypothesis: PFS6 = 45%
- Alternate hypothesis: PFS6 = 65%
- Required 31 of 54 patients to be progression free at 6 months (by mRECIST) to meet primary endpoint
- 90% power with a one-sided type 1 error rate of 5%







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Progression Free Survival (mRECIST)



Median PFS, mo (95% CI)					
Chemoth Durvalur	therapy + 6.2 (5.5-9.0) Imab				
PFS6		31/54 (57%)			

Rejected null hypothesis







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Take home message

- The regimen of durvalumab, cisplatin and pemetrexed was active and tolerable as first line treatment in advanced mesothelioma
- Progression free survival at 6 months was 57% met primary endpoint
- PFS6 used mRECIST not iRECIST
- Objective tumour response rate (mRECIST) was 46%
- Adverse events comparable to chemotherapy and immunotherapy alone; chemotherapy dose intensity maintained
- This supports evaluation in a randomised phase 3 trial of the regimen







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Phase II Trial of Pembrolizumab (NCT02399371) in Previously Treated Malignant Mesothelioma: Final Analysis

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Trial Design

Single institution, single arm, phase II trial



Today's presentation reports the final results of this study

Statistics

- Single-stage binomial design (Parts A and B separately). Type I error rate of 0.1, power of 80%
- Part A: 35 patients, null RR: 2%, alternative RR: 12%
 - If ≥3 responses, null hypothesis is rejected; if identified, PD-L1 threshold is used for Part B
 - Should no threshold be identified, study proceeds without PD-L1 prescreening
- Part B: 30 patients, null RR: 10%, alternative RR: 25%
 - − If \geq 6 responses, null hypothesis is rejected

Treatment outcomes (N=64)

	N (%)
Partial response	14 (22%)
Stable disease	26 (41%)
Disease control rate	40 (63%)
Median duration of response	11.7 months
Median progression-free survival	4.1 months
Median overall survival	11.5 months

Response rate and PD-L1 expression by histology and disease site

	Number of Response patients rate (N=64)		PD-L1 expression (N=62)				
			No (0%)	Low (1-49%)	High (≥50%)		
	Histology						
Epithelioid	49	22%	46%	40%	14%		
Sarcomatoid	5	40%	20%	0%	80%		
Biphasic	10	10%	70%	10%	20%		
Disease site							
Pleural	56	23%	49%	29%	22%		
Peritoneal	8	13%	25%	50%	25%		

PFS and OS by PD-L1 expression



PD-L1	Low/None	High	PD-L1	Low/None	High
Median PFS	3.8 mo	4.9 mo	Median OS	10.1 mo	12.5 mo
1 year PFS	9.3%	40.2%	2 year OS	19.1%	33.6%

Conclusions

- Pembrolizumab has robust activity in PD-L1 unselected mesothelioma patients:
 - Response rate: 22%
 - Disease control rate: 63%
 - Responses were observed in patients with no, low, and high PD-L1 expression
- Patients with high (≥ 50%) PD-L1 expression achieved:
 - A higher response rate (p=0.021)
 - Longer progression-free survival (p=0.034)
- PD-L1 can be used as a biomarker to predict response in mesothelioma patients treated with pembrolizumab


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Study Design of MERIT

• Single-arm, open-label, phase 2 trial (JapicCTI-No.163247)



• Data cut-off: March 14, 2018 (median follow-up: 16.8 months [min. 1.8–max. 20.2])



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*Efficacy analyses by central assessment according to mRECIST criteria, Statistical analysis α: 5%, power: 80%, expected response rate: 19.2%





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PFS by PD-L1 Expression (≥1% and <1%)

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OS by PD-L1 Expression (≥1% and <1%)

Data cut-off: March 14, 2018







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Summary and Conclusions

- Nivolumab showed substantial clinical activity with ORR of 29.4% in second- or thirdline MPM patients, which met the primary endpoint.
- Median PFS and OS were 6.1 months and 17.3 months, respectively.
- Nivolumab was efficacious regardless of histological subtype especially in sarcomatoid histology.
- PD-L1 expression (\geq 1%) in the tumor could favor better response.
- Longer follow-up did not identify any safety concerns.

Based on the results of the MERIT study,

nivolumab was approved on Aug 21st in Japan for

unresectable advanced or recurrent MPM which has progressed after chemotherapy.







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PRO Intrapleural Chemotherapy -Is It the Future?

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Rationale of Intraoperative/ Localized / Intracavitary Treatment

- To eliminate microscopic residual disease (MRD) after macroscopic complete resection (MCR)
- Enhance local effects

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• Decrease systemic effects of therapeutic agents

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Treatment approaches

- Intracavitary chemotherapy
- Intracavitary immunotherapy

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de Bree, Chest 2002







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Intracavitary Chemotherapy

- Mostly platinum-based, combined to EPP and (e)P/D
- Hyperthermic (HIPEC) or not

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Rice, Ann Thorac Surg 1994; Rusch, J Clin Oncol 1994; Lee, J Surg Oncol 1995; Colleoni, Tumori 1996; Pinto, Am J Clin Oncol 2001; Van Ruth, Ann Surg Oncol 2003; Monneuse, Br J Cancer 2003; Richards, J Clin Oncol 2006; Tilleman, J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2009 Ried, Chirurg 2012; Surgarbaker, J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2013







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HIPEC after P/D or EPP

- Maximum tolerated dose of cisplatin 225 250 mg/m²
- Dose-limiting toxicity: renal insufficiency, other common AE: atrial fibrillation

Reviewed in Gomez, Current Treatment Options in Oncology 2014

• Median OS: 9 – 35.3 months

De Bree, Chest 2002; Sugarbaker, JTCVS 2013

• Median PFS: 4.5 – 27.1 months

Ried, Eur J Cardiothoracic Surg 2013; Sugerbaker, JTCVS 2013





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Intracavitary Chemotherapy - HIPEC

	n	Histology	N2 or Nx	IMIG stage	intraoperative regimen	Surgery type	Peri-op Mortality	Morbidity / Toxicity	Adjuvant systemic CTX	Adjuvant RT	Median OS (months)	Median PFS (months)
Sugarbaker 2013	72	63 epithelioid 9 biphasic	46	I-II: 14 III-IV: 60	cisplatin	P/D or EPP	4.2%	NR	57%	57%	35.3	27.1
Tilleman 2009	92	53 epithelioid 39 non-epithelioid	NR	I-II: 14 III-IV: 78	cisplatin	EPP	4.3%	49%	NR	NR	13.1	15.3
Zellos 2009	29	24 epithelioid 5 non-epithelioid	9	I-II: 18 III: 11	cisplatin	NR	7%	NR	NR	NR	20	16
Richards 2006	44	24 epithelioid 17 biphasic 3 sarcomatoid	33	I-II: 27 II-III: 17	cisplatin	P/D	11%	25%	None	None	13	7.2
Chang 2004	50	NR	31	I-II: 19 III: 31	cisplatin	EPP	2%	60%	Unknown	Unknown	NR	NR
Monneuse 2003	17	NR	NR	I-II: 10 III-IV: 7	mitomycin C and/or cisplatin	P/D or pleurectomy	6%	29%	NR	NR	18	NR
Van Ruth 2003	20	16 epithelioid 4 biphasic	0	NR	cisplatin + doxorubicin	12 P/D 8 EPP	0%	65%	None	Thoracotomy scar and drainage ducts	11	8
Ratto 1999	10	4 epithelioid 6 biphasic	0	I-II: 10	cisplatin	P/D or EPP	0%	20%	None	55 Gy to chest wall incision	NR	NR



Adapted from Tsao, Clin Lung Cancer 2009





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Intracavitary Immunotherapy

- Historically:
 - Patients with postoperative empyemas after lung cancer resection had improved survival rates
 - Intrapleural BCG instillation after surgery w/o clear clinical benefit.
- Intracavitary application of cytokines: IL-2, IFN-α, IFN-γ
- Toxicity (fever, but can be empyema also)
- Good control of malignant pleural effusion

Astoul, Chest 1993; Antoniou, Chest 2003; Bone BMJ 1973, Bakker Cancer Immunol Immunozhrt 1986, Boutin Cancer 1994; Sterman, Clin Cancer Res 2007; Sterman, Mol Ther 2010







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Summary

- Excellent strategy to attack the minimal residual disease after MCR
- The therapeutic agents can be delivered directly to the chest cavity and the desired local effect may be enhanced while the systemic side effects are rare
- Largest experience and best survival data exist with intracavitary chemotherapy (OS up to 35 months, PFS up to 27months)
- It is not recommended to perform these procedures unless on a clinical trial and in experienced hands, and precise pharamockinetic evaluation.
- Mesothelioma is ideal as "local disease"

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Intrapleural Chemotherapy, Is It The Future?

The con side of the argument

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Cytoreduction & Intrapleural ChemoRx

Author	Year	n	Study Type	Route	EPP	PD
Rusch	1994	27	Phase I	PICT		27 (100%)
Rice	1994	19	Phase I	PICT	10 (53%)	9 (47%)
Colleoni	1996	14	Phase I	PICT		14 (100%)
Ratto	1999	10	Phase I	HIOC	4 (40%)	6 (60%)
deBree	2002	8	Phase I	HIOC	4 (50%)	7 (88%)
van Ruth	2006	20	Phase I	HIOC	8 (40%)	12 (60%)
Richards	2006	44	Phase I/II, dose escalation	HIOC		44 (100%)
Zellos	2008	29	Phase I, dose escalation	HIOC	29 (100%)	
Tilleman	2009	92	Phase II	HIOC	92 (100%)	
Tokunaga	2011	11	Phase I	PICT	11 (100%)	
Ried	2013	8	Phase I	HIOC		8 (100%)

Cytoreduction & Intrapleural ChemoRx

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Intrapleural ChemoRx: Survival

Author	Year	OS	1-yr	2-yr	3-yr	4-yr
Rusch	1994	18	69%	40%		
Rice	1994	13	63%*	24%*		
Colleoni	1996	nr				
Ratto	1999	nr				
deBree	2002	nr				
van Ruth	2006	11	42%			
Richards	2006	13	50%	30%	20%	14%
Zellos	2008	20	83%	48%	31%	28%
Tilleman	2009	13	60%*	25%*	20%*	
Tokunaga	2011	19	64%	18%		
Ried	2013	18	88%	50%		

* Survival data imputed from published KM curves

Comparative Data: Trimodality Trials

		Survival (mo)			Morbidity		
	ITT	NC+EPP	ТМТ	DFS (mo)	Mortality	Overall	Major
Treasure, 2011	14.4			7.6	12.5	69%	42%
van Schil, 2010	18.4	NR	33	13.9	6.5	82.6	NR
Krug, 2009	16.8	21.9	29.1	10.2	3.7	NR	NR
Rea, 2007	25.5	27.5	NR	16.3	0	52.4	23.8
Weder, 2007	19.8	23	NR	13.5	2.2	NR	35



Predictors of Survival

Disease Free Survival

	Univariate			
	HR	р	HR	р
Sex (Female)	0.32 (0.13-0.81)	0.016	0.35 (0.14-0.92)	0.03
Age	1.02 (0.99-1.06)	0.216		
Procedure (PD/EPP)	1.41 (0.63-3.17)	0.405		
нюс	0.53 (0.24-1.17)	0.105		
Periop ChemoRx	0.84 (0.37-1.89)	0.671		
Adjuvant XRT	0.93 (0.21-4.24)	0.927		
Stage	1.05 (0.48-2.31)	0.9		
SMRP	1.16 (1.01-1.11)	0.029	1.06 (1.00-1.11)	0.04

Overall Survival

	Univariate	Univariate M		
	HR	р	HR	р
Sex (Female)	0.15 (0.02-1.19)	0.07	0.11 (0.01-0.9)	0.04
Age	1.04 (0.97-1.10)	0.3		
Procedure (PD/EPP)	0.60 (0.18-2.06)	0.4		
нюс	0.83 (0.24-2.87)	0.8		
Periop ChemoRx	0.25 (0.07-0.86)	0.03	0.17 (0.04-0.68)	0.01
Adjuvant XRT	1.34 (0.17-11.04)	0.8		
Stage	1.54 (0.65-5.07)	0.5		
SMRP	1.07 (0.01-1.12)	0.02		



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Potential Issues with HIOC

- Coordination
- Space
- Potential Errors
- Health Risk
- Time





Conclusions

- Preclinical data support efficacy in vitro and in vivo in rodent models
- Drug penetrance may be enhanced by hyperthermia (controversial) but is limited to <5mm
- There is no consensus on ideal drug(s), dose or hyperthermic conditions
- Data from clinical studies show feasibility with cisplatin, but risk of renal toxicity and thromboembolic events appears elevated
- The data do not support superiority in terms of either overall survival or local control compared to other combined modality approaches.







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MTE06: SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT IN MESOTHELIOMA

07:00 MTE06.01: Role of Pleurectomy in Palliation of Symptoms John G. Edwards, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

07:30 MTE06.02: How to Register Toxicity and Guide Patients Liz Darlison, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust, UK







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Justification for Surgery

Palliative Surgery

Improve Quality of Life

May (or may not) improve Survival

Radical Surgery Improve Survival

May (or may not) improve Quality of Life







Surgical Options:

Extrapleural Pneumonectomy (EPP)

en bloc resection of lung, pericardium, diaphragm

Extended Pleurectomy / Decortication (eP/D)

with diaphragm / pericardium resection

Pleurectomy / Decortication (P/D)

without diaphragm / pericardium resection

Partial Pleurectomy

palliative R2 resection

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IASLC STAGING ARTICLE

Recommendations for Uniform Definitions of Surgical Techniques for Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma

A Consensus Report of the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer International Staging Committee and the International Mesothelioma Interest Group

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Introduction: Extrapleural pneumonectomy has been well defined: however, surgeons vary regarding the surgical extent and goals of "pleurectomy/decortication" (P/D). We explored mesothelioma surgeons' concepts of P/D with the aim of unifying surgical nomenclature.

each medical center was 46, and the mean annual number of cytore-

ductive procedures performed per surgeon was 8. Most (88%) agreed

hat the goal of cytoreductive surgery should be macroscopic complete

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tion, 64% preferred the term "radical P/D," whereas "P/D" (40%) or "total pleurectomy" (39%) was preferred if these structures were not removed. Most surgeons believed that extrapleural pneumonectomy Methods: A web-based survey was administered to surgeons who (90%) or "radical P/D" (68%) could provide adequate cytoreduction, operated on malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) for diagnosis. whereas only 23% thought that P/D could. taging nalliation or cytoreduction. One hundred thirty surgeons from 59 medical centers were included. Surgeons who did not perform surgery for MPM within the last year were excluded. Results: There were 62 (48%) respondents from 39 medical centers in 14 countries. The mean number of patients with MPM seen annually at

Conclusions: There was significant variation regarding surgical nomenclature for procedures for MPM. The International Staging Committee of the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer and the International Mesothelioma Interest Group recommend that P/D should aim to remove all macroscopic tumor involving the parietal and visceral pleura and should be termed "extended"

resection of tumor. P/D was defined as resection of parietal and viscer

pleura with the aim of achieving macroscopic complete resection by

72% of respondents. If the diaphragm or pericardium required resec-

Key Words: Mesothelioma, Pleural neoplasm, nomenclature, Surger

P/D when the diaphragm or pericardium is resected.

(J Thorac Oncol. 2011;6: 1304-1312)

Curgery for malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) may Sinclude relatively minor procedures for diagnosis and staging, more involved debulking operations for palliation, and extensive cytoreductive procedures where the goal is to lengthen survival by reducing the intrathoracic tumor burder to microscopic levels. The latter is usually accomplished either by extrapleural pneumonectomy (EPP) or by a procedure that is presently classified as "pleurectomy/decortication" (P/D), generally as part of a multimodality treatment regimen. Although the surgical technique of EPP has been standardized, there is a variation among surgeons with respect to what is involved in P/D.1-5 For some mesothelioma surgeons, P/D refers to a surgical procedure that aims to remove all macroscopic tumor from the affected hemithorax.6 This typically includes resection of the entire parietal and

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Partial Pleurectomy

Surgical Technique:

- Thoracotomy
- VATS
- Multiport VATS ?
- Singleport VATS ?





National Cancer Research Network

Randomised controlled trial of video-assisted thoracoscopic partial pleurectomy compared to talc pleurodesis in patients with confirmed or suspected malignant pleural mesothelioma: the MesoVATs trial

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On behalf of the MesoVATs investigators





Study Procedures



Randomisation



Overall survival





MesoVATS trial: Summary

There was no difference in overall survival between VATS partial pleurectomy and Talc pleurodesis

VATS partial pleurectomy improved control of pleural effusion and quality of life

Should VAT partial pleurectomy be considered in patients with mesothelioma for symptom control?

Lancet 2014; 384(9948):1118-1127.







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VATS Partial Pleurectomy

MesoTRAP Trial



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MesoTRAP recruitment update

Patients screened for trapped lung

Patients with trapped lung assessed for eligibility 67 (13%)

- Still in screening 2
- Excluded 65
- (2 site not opened, 14 declined, 49 met exclusion criteria)

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Randomised

(4 IPC, 4 VAT-PD)



Mesothelioma and Radical Surgery 2: a multicentre randomised trial comparing (extended) pleurectomy decortication versus no (extended) pleurectomy decortication for patients with malignant pleural mesothelioma









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TAKE HOME MESSAGES:

- (VATS) Partial Pleurectomy or Pleurectomy Decortication is feasible and safe in selected patients
- An R2 resection <u>will not extend life</u>
- Survival may be *worse* in patients with a poor prognosis
- Partial Pleurectomy may improve symptoms in selected patients, at the risk of complications
- Hopefully, MesoTRAP will inform about the role of VATS-PP when there is a trapped lung
- MARS-2 will yield Quality of Life data after eP/D