

SBRT in Oligometastasis Lung / Liver: Available Evidences

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Flow of Presentation:



Definition



Biology of oligometastatic disease



Best available evidence



Role of stereotactic ablative radiotherapy (SABR)



Future directions



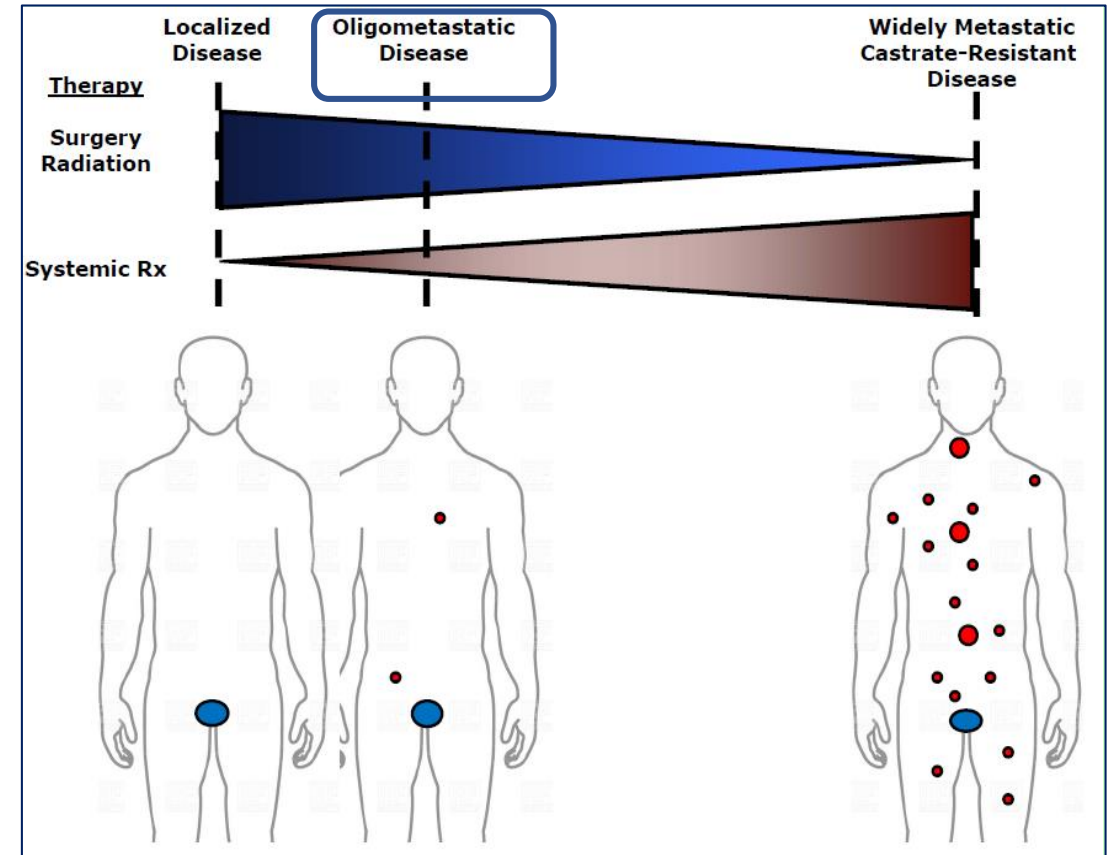
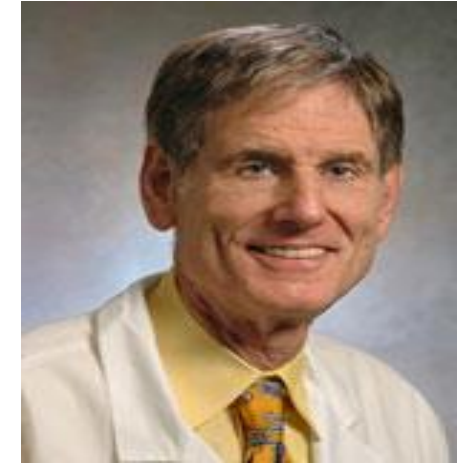
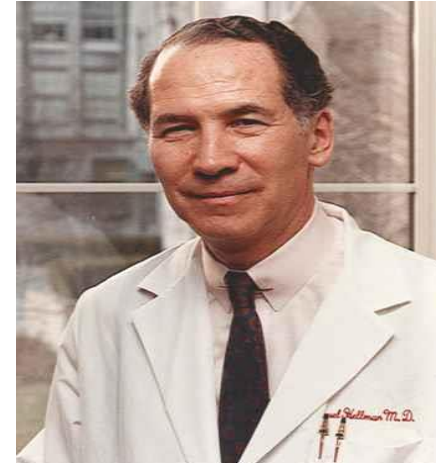
Take-home messages

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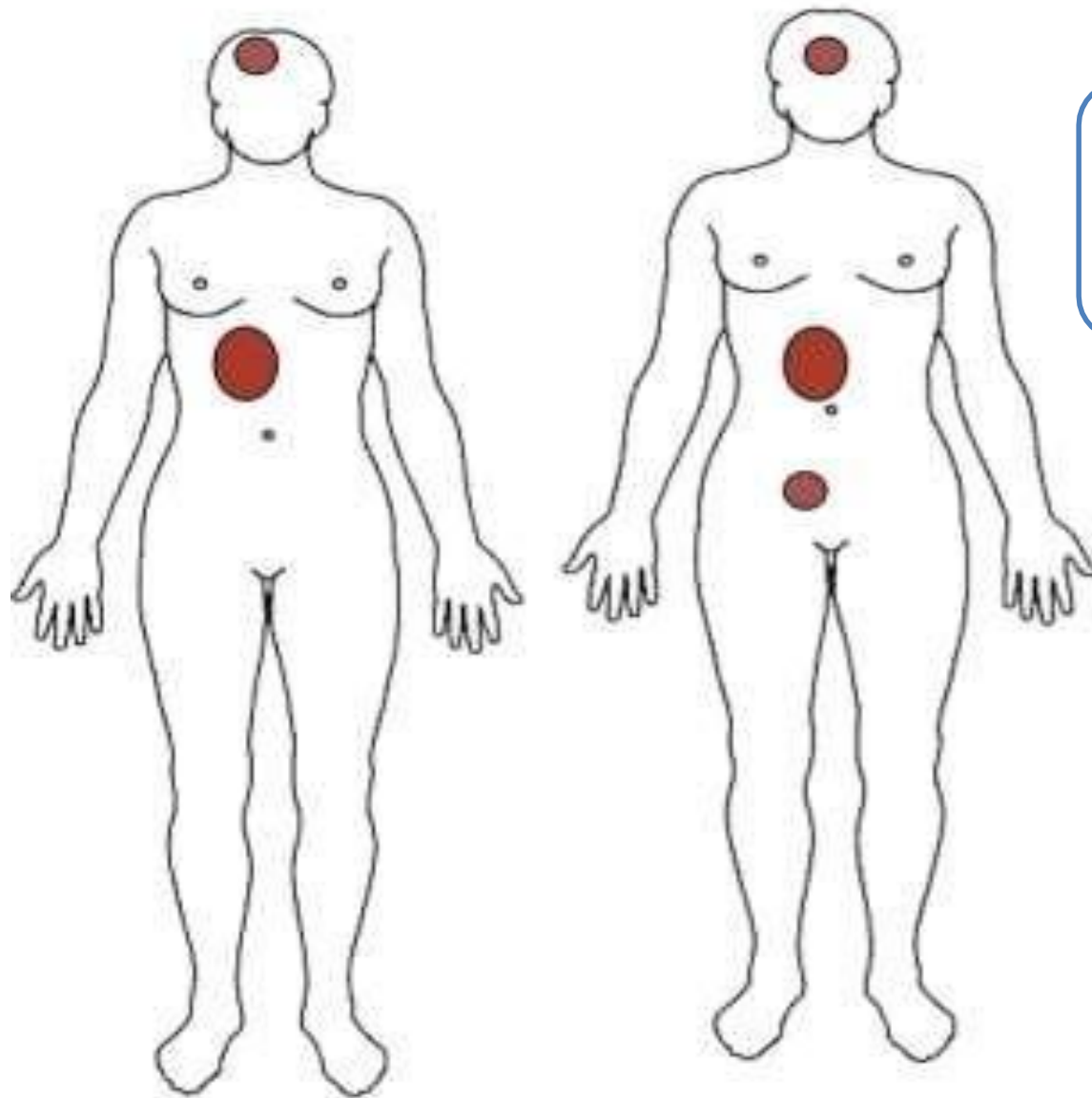
- No consensus.
- 1995 - Hellman & Weichselbaum (JCO)
- Patients with a limited number of clinically detectable metastatic disease.
- Hypothetic transitional state between localised and widespread disease

Oligometastasis

- Metastatic state with limited burden
- 1 to 5 metastasis



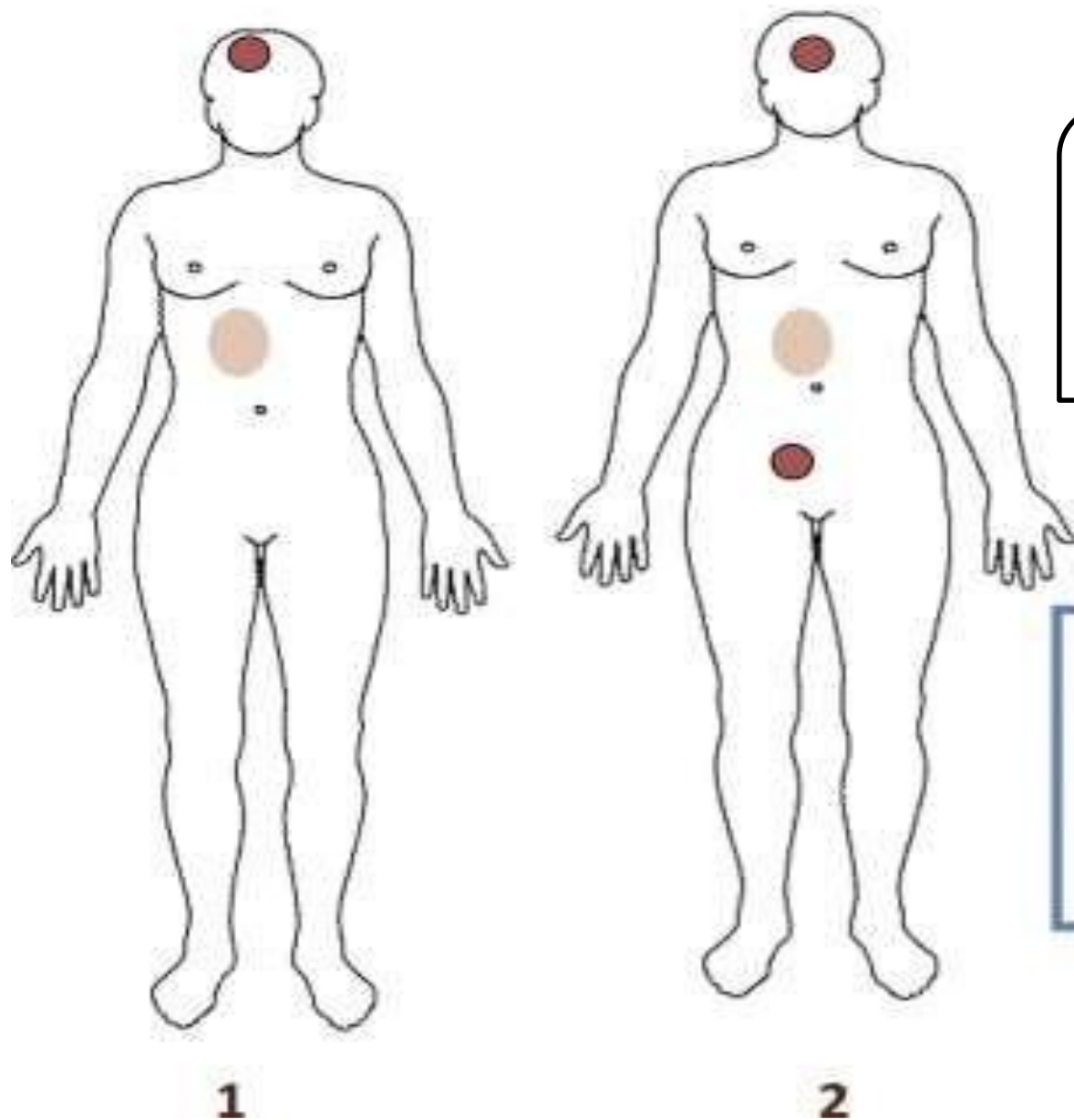
Schema of oligometastases



Oligometastases is the state in which the patient shows distant relapse in only a limited number of regions

-  **Primary lesion**
-  **Distant metatases/ recurrences**

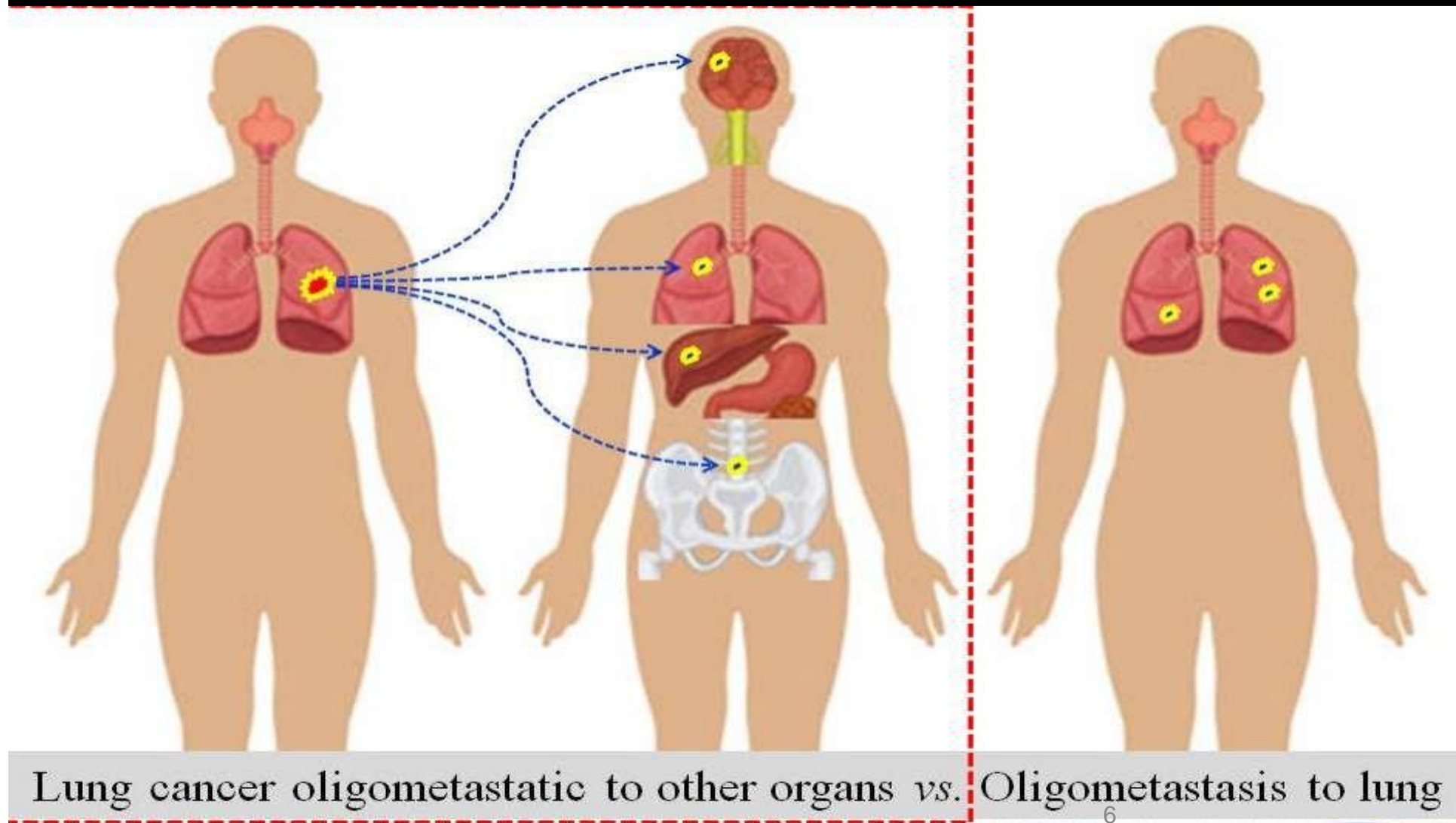
Schema of oligo-recurrence



Oligo-recurrence has a primary site of the cancer controlled, meaning that all gross recurrent or metastatic sites could be treated using local therapy



SAME ORGAN Vs DISTANT ORGAN



Synchronous oligometastasis

≤5 metastatic or recurrent lesions
in the presence of active primary
lesions

Oligometastatic disease is
detected at the time of diagnosis
of the primary tumor, therefore
there is an active primary tumor

Metachronous oligometastaticdisease

Definition:

After period initial disease-free interval, new
presentation of oligo-metastases

BIOLOGY OF OLIGOMETASTASIS

Oligometastatic Versus Systemic disease: Key-factors

	Oligometastatic disease	Systemic disease
Primary tumour	Favourable microenvironment	Poor conditions creating undifferentiated aggressive clones
Seed (migrating cells)	Sloughed cancer cells	Actively migrating cells
Soils (target organs)	Inhospitable target organs (trap)	Hospitable target organs

Characterisation and classification of oligometastatic disease: a European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology and European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer consensus recommendation

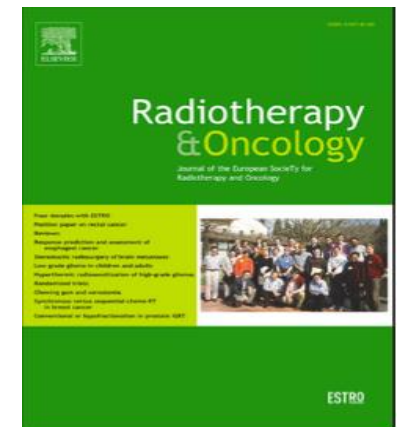
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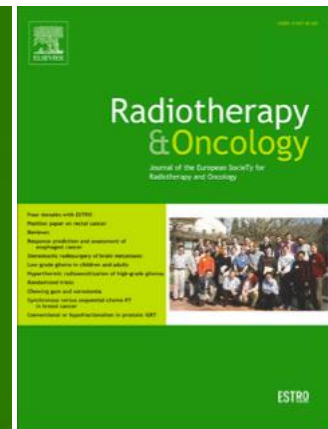
Conclusion:

- OMD can be defined as 1–5 metastatic lesions.
- Controlled primary tumor is optional.
- All metastatic sites must be safely treatable
- Patient selection for SBRT/ curative intent MDRT holds the key.

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- A systematic literature review focused on curative intent MDRT
- Common endpoints: PFS, OS, LC, QOL & Toxicity reported
- Uncommon endpoints as deferral of systemic therapy and cost were endorsed
- High-resolution imaging to assess and confirm OMD is crucial, including brain imaging when indicated

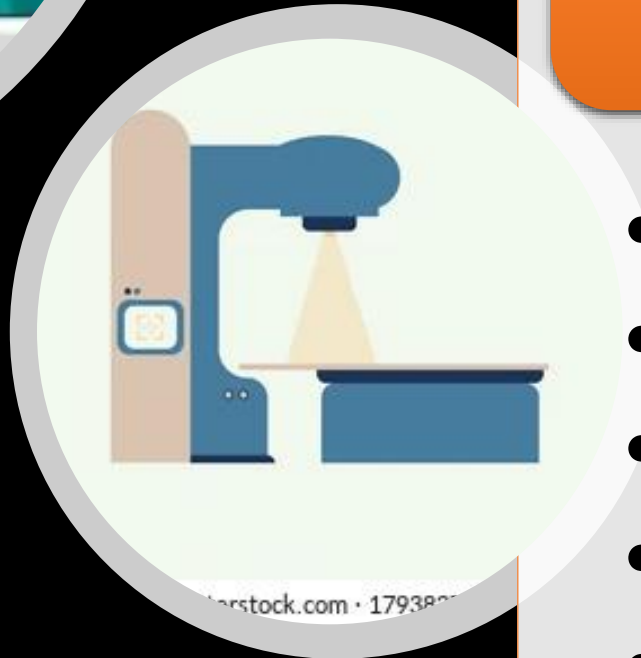
Conclusion:

- Based on available data, OMD can be defined as 1–5 metastatic lesions, a controlled primary tumor being optional, but where all metastatic sites must be safely treatable
- More data are needed to define the optimal patient selection for SBRT/ curative intent MDRT for OMD



Treatment for Oligometastatic disease:

- Chemotherapy
- Targeted therapy
- Immunotherapy
- Radiotherapy
- Surgery

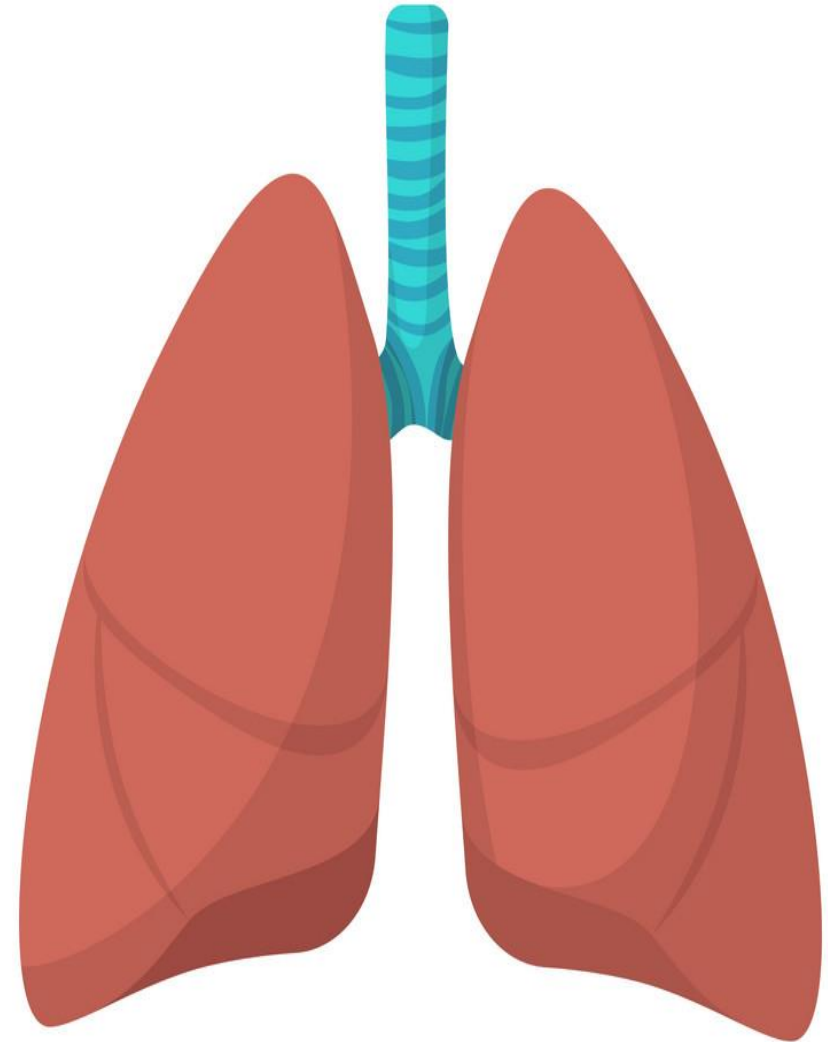


SABR is commonly used in:

- **Lung**
- **Liver**
- **Spine**
- **Prostate**

LUNG

Prevalence of OMD in stage IV NSCLC
has been estimated to range between
25% and 50%





Lung metastasis is most common in OMD

Aggressive local t/t to metastases in OMD increases the patients disease-free interval

In OMD small number of metastatic lesions limited to an organ

In previous previous years for lung metastasis surgery is the primary of choice (Metastatectomy)



Considered for curative treatment because long term survival can be expected

Surgery requires :

- Good PS
- Good CVS function
- Good Respiratory functions

Local Ablative Therapy in Oligometastatic NSCLC

Questions to be addressed before applying LAT?

Q-1: What defines OMD in NSCLC?

- OMD is defined by the presence of limited number of metastases (between 1 and 5) on appropriate imaging studies.
- As per, ESTRO-ASTRO consensus document proposed a definition of 1-5 metastases) with the primary tumor controlled and all metastatic sites amenable to safe t/t.

Q-2: Who is the appropriate patient for LAT?

- No biomarker to define OMD and to select appropriate NSCLC patients for LAT. (Nomograms and other predictive models have been proposed)

Local Ablative Therapy in Oligometastatic NSCLC

Q-3: Which is the most appropriate technique of Radiation therapy?

- **Most evidence supports an SABR.**
- **Other approaches:**
 - **Conventionally fractionated RT**
 - **Moderately hypofractionation**
 - **Lower dose regimens that may stimulate the immune system.**
 - **Most studies pre-immunotherapy, high-level evidence remains unavailable.**
 - **Patients with targetable mutations or in patients undergoing t/t with immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICIs). (When to give TAT?)**

Q- 4: What is the appropriate time to treat OMD by LAT?

- **We don't know the optimal timing of delivering LAT in relationship to systemic therapy.**

How to treat OMD ?

SBRT

RFA

SURGERY

BRACHYTHERAPY

INTRA ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

COMBINING WITH IMMUNOTHERAPY

What to treat in OMD?

- **TREAT PRIMARY**
- **TREAT MET SITES**
- **TREAT BOTH**

Role of SABR in Oligometastatic NSCLC

Medical comorbidities & anatomical location decides the role of Surgery.

Local therapies like RT (SABR) evolved as a treatment for lung mets.

SBRT to be integrated in OMD when surgery not feasible

SBRT can offer curative treatment of OMD in Lungs

SBRT is non invasive.

Why SBRT:

Non-invasive

Precise

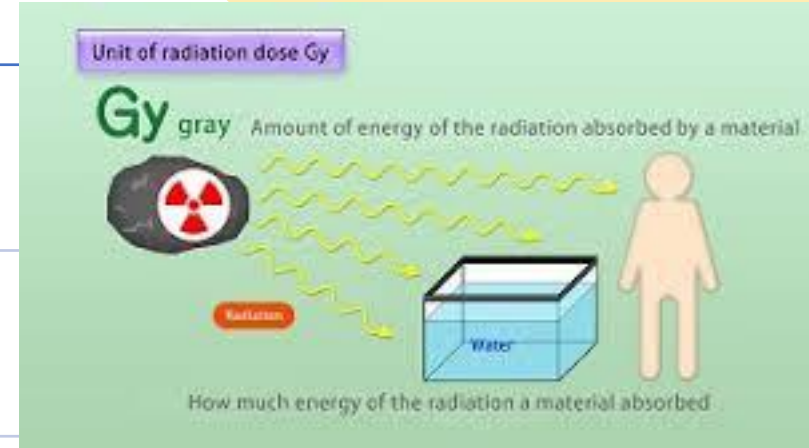
Rapid dose fall off

Maximum normal tissue sparing

Potential reduction of the deleterious effect of tumor proliferation

More lethal damage to DNA and less sublethal damage

Ablative radiotherapy doses (i.e., those that destroy all living tissue in an area) need to have a higher biologically effective dose (BED)



Radiobiological advantages of SBRT

- Greater potential cell kill
- Engaging of sphingomyelin based endothelial mechanism of tumor control related to the high dose per fraction.
- Higher radiation doses overcomes hypoxic microenvironments found in metastases



Role of Sphingolipids:

Structural molecules of cell membrane

Maintains barrier function & fluidity

Also regulates biological processes

- Growth
- Proliferation
- Migration
- Invasion or metastases by controlling signaling functions in cancer cell signal transduction network

Sphingolipids are responsible for tumor proliferation, progression, and metastasis.

SBRT action on Sphingolipids:



High-dose per fraction radiotherapy



Endothelial membrane alterations



Inducing sphingomyelin mediated endothelial apoptosis



Microvasculature dysfunction

Tumor cell death

Other actions:

1) Ionizing radiation induces ceramide induced cytochrome C



Release into tumor cytoplasm



Apoptosis



2) High-dose per fraction radiotherapy



Induces antigen presentation within the tumor stroma



Facilitate cytotoxic T-cell therapy

Stromal targeting

Patient selection for SABR to Lung in OMD:

- **Primary Tumor Histology**
- **Node negative**
- **Female**
- **KPS**
- **Control of primary tumor**
- **Size of largest metastasis**
- **Number of metastasis**

Prognostic factors:

- **Number of metastases**
- **Response to first-line systemic therapy**
- **CNS mets**
- **Intrathoracic nodal status**
- **EGFR/ALK mutation status.**

Lets's see the Evidence

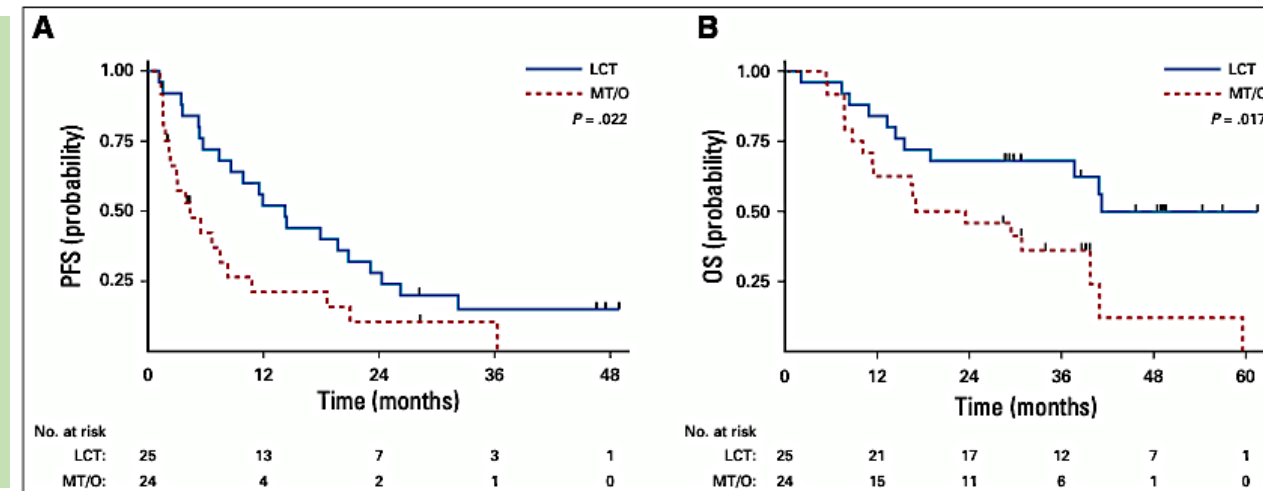
Local consolidative therapy versus maintenance therapy or observation for patients with oligometastatic non-small-cell lung cancer without progression after first-line systemic therapy: a multicentre, randomised, controlled, phase 2 study



Lancet Oncology
2016

Daniel R Gomez, George R Blumenschein Jr, J Jack Lee, Mike Hernandez, Rong Ye, D Ross Camidge, Robert C Doebele, Ferdinandos Skoulidis, Laurie E Gaspar, Don L Gibbons, Jose A Karam, Brian D Kavanagh, Chad Tang, Ritsuko Komaki, Alexander V Louie, David A Palma, Anne S Tsao, Boris Sepesi, William N William, Jianjun Zhang, Qiuling Shi, Xin Shelley Wang, Stephen G Swisher*, John V Heymach*

- Phase II & Randomized study
- ≤ 3 metastases who did not progress on standard frontline systemic therapy with maintenance therapy/observation
- 49 Patients
- OS & PFS evaluated
- 2 arms



Conclusion:

In patients with oligometastatic NSCLC that did not progress after front-line systemic therapy, LCT prolonged PFS and OS relative to MT/O.

Local Consolidative Therapy Vs. Maintenance Therapy or Observation for Patients With Oligometastatic Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer: Long-Term Results of a Multi-Institutional, Phase II, Randomized Study

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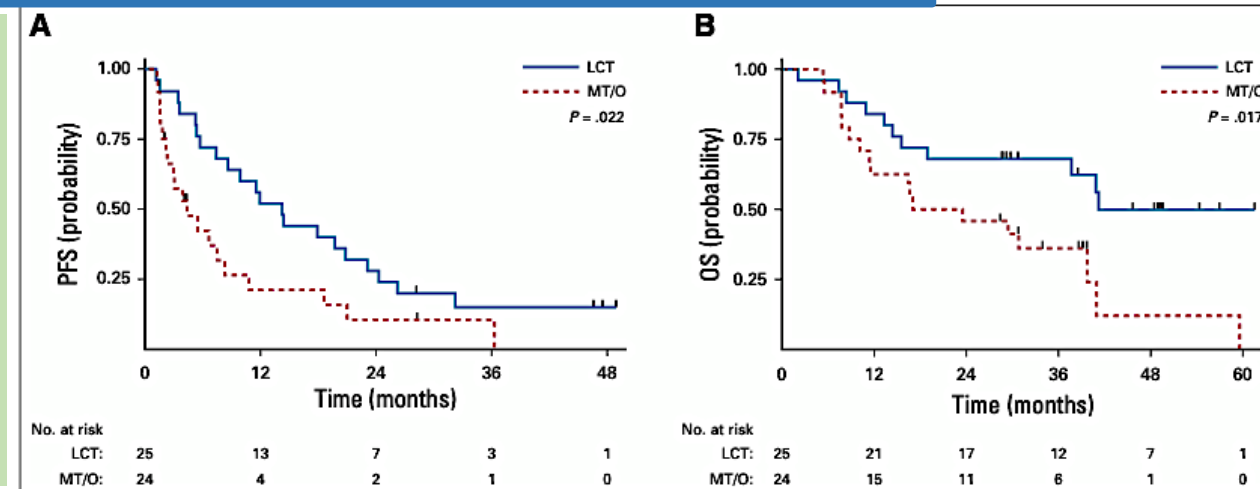


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Update in 2019

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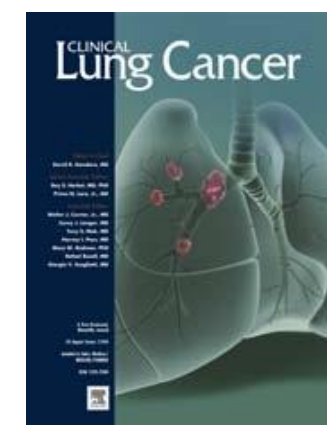


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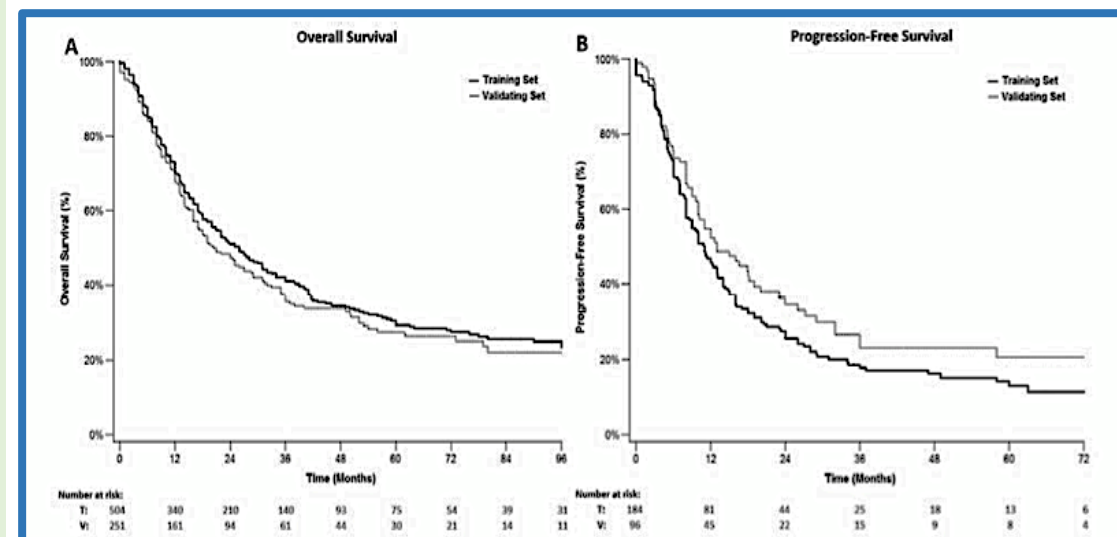
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An Individual Patient Data Metaanalysis of Outcomes and Prognostic Factors After Treatment of Oligometastatic Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer

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- Meta analysis
- 757 Patients
- 1 to 5 synchronous or metachronous metastases treated with surgical metastectomy, SRS/EBRT
- OS & PFS evaluated
- 38% of patients received RT



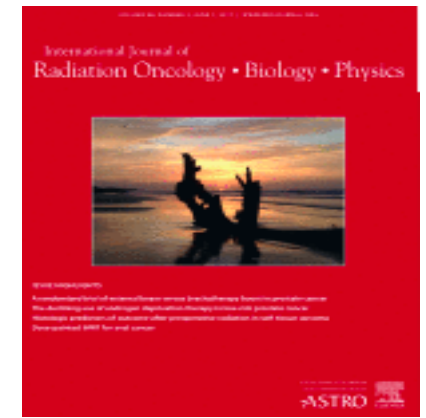
Conclusion:

- Significant OS / PFS benefits were observed in metastasis directed local therapy in NSCLC patients with OMD.

Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy for Oligometastatic Lung Tumors

2008

Yoshiki Norihisa M.D. *, Yasushi Nagata M.D., Ph.D. * ㉞, Kenji Takayama M.D. *, Yukinori Matsuo M.D., Ph.D. *, Takashi Sakamoto M.D. †, Masato Sakamoto M.D. ‡, Takashi Mizowaki M.D., Ph.D. *, Shinsuke Yano B.S. *, Masahiro Hiraoka M.D., Ph.D. *



- 34 patients with 43 oligometastatic lung tumors
- Lung - 15, colorectum - 9, H & N - 5, Kidney - 3, Breast – 1 & Bone - 1
- Tumor diameter < 3 cm (91%), max – 4cm
- At 2 years:
 - OS – 84.3
 - Local Relapse free rate – 90%
 - PFS - 34.8%
- No local progression was observed in tumors irradiated with 60 Gy

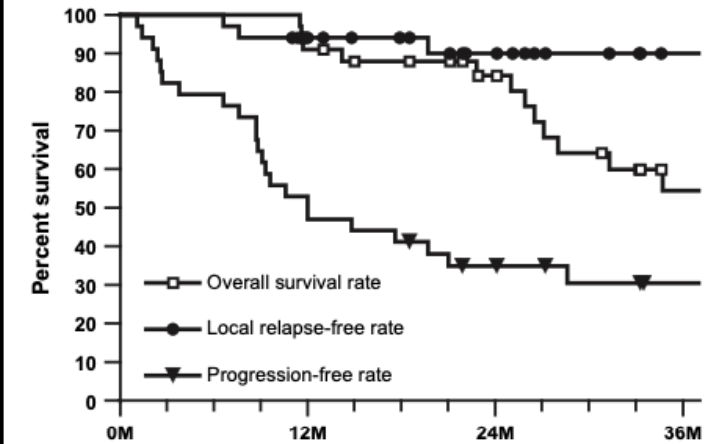


Fig. 1. Overall survival, local relapse-free survival, and progression-free survival rates after stereotactic body radiotherapy for oligometastatic lung cancer.

Conclusion:

- SBRT for oligometastatic lung tumors was comparable to Surgical metastasectomy
- SBRT could be an effective treatment of pulmonary oligometastases.

Consolidative Radiotherapy for Limited Metastatic Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer

A Phase 2 Randomized Clinical Trial

Puneeth Iyengar, MD, PhD¹; Zabi Wardak, MD¹; David E. Gerber, MD²; et al

JAMA **Oncology**

2018

- 29 patients
- EGFR & ALK negative patients
- 1-5 synchronous oligometastasis
- Induction therapy given to all patients
- 2 arms: Control arm & SABR arm
- PFS: 9.7 vs 3.7 months

Doses:

- 21 -27 Gy in single fraction
- 26.5 – 33 Gy in 3 fraction schedule
- 30 – 37.5 Gy in 5 fraction schedule

Conclusion:

- Consolidative SABR prior to maintenance chemotherapy appeared beneficial, nearly tripling PFS in patients with limited metastatic NSCLC compared with maintenance chemotherapy alone
- No difference in toxicity.

Stereotactic body radiotherapy (sbirt) in lung oligometastatic patients: role of local treatments

2014

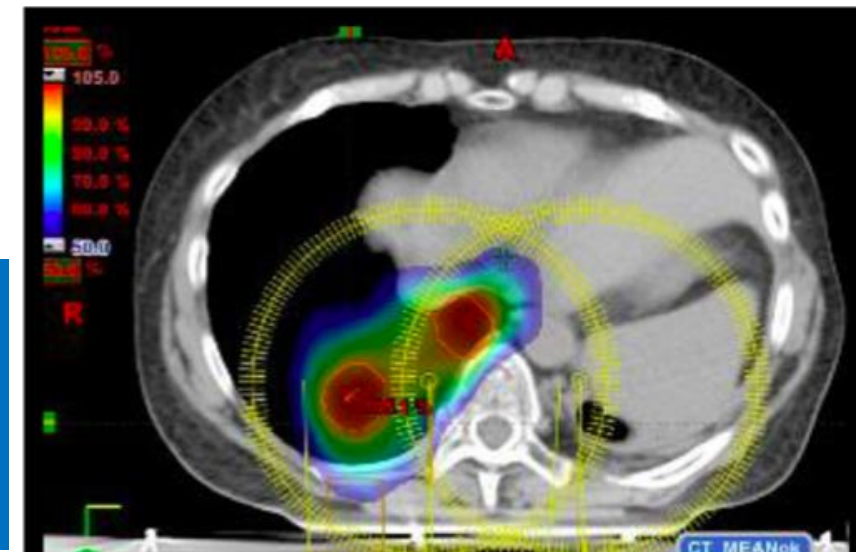
Pierina Navarria^{1*}, Anna Maria Ascolese¹, Stefano Tomatis¹, Luca Cozzi², Fiorenza De Rose¹, Pietro Mancosu¹, Filippo Alongi¹, Elena Clerici¹, Francesca Lobefalo¹, Angelo Tozzi¹, Giacomo Reggiori¹, Antonella Fogliata² and Marta Scorsetti¹

- **76 patients & 118 lung lesions treated**
- **SABR performed in**
 - **Controlled primary tumor**
 - **Long-term to disease progression.**
 - **Number of metastatic sites ≤ 5**
- **Dose: 48 Gy to 60 Gy.**
- **Median follow up – 20 months**

	1 Year (%)	2 Years (%)	3 Years (%)
Local Control	95	89	89
OS	84.1	73	73

Conclusion:

SABR is feasible with promising results in terms of local control, survival and toxicity

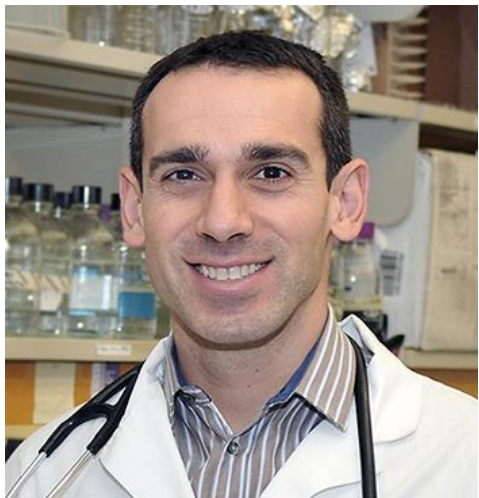




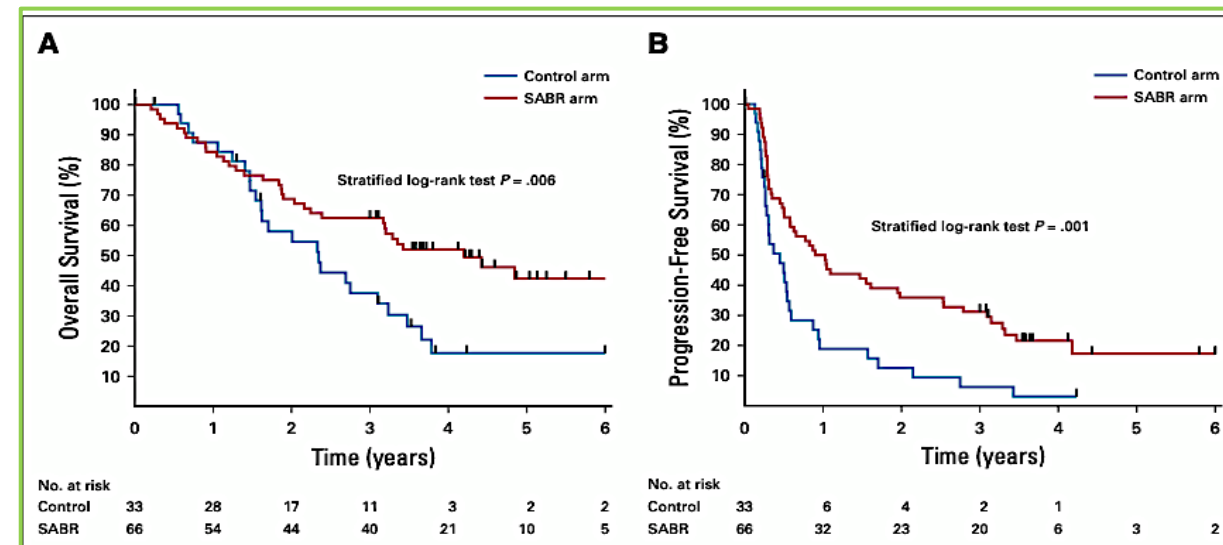
Stereotactic Ablative Radiotherapy for the Comprehensive Treatment of Oligometastatic Cancers: Long-Term Results of the SABR-COMET Phase II Randomized Trial

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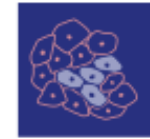


Dr Suresh Senan



- Open-label, multi-centric (10 centres in Canada, Australia, Scotland and Netherlands).
- 2012-2016
- 1st trial to directly test the oligometastatic paradigm, i.e. OS after Ablative vs Palliative t/t
- Initial results- 13 month improvement of OS in test arm.

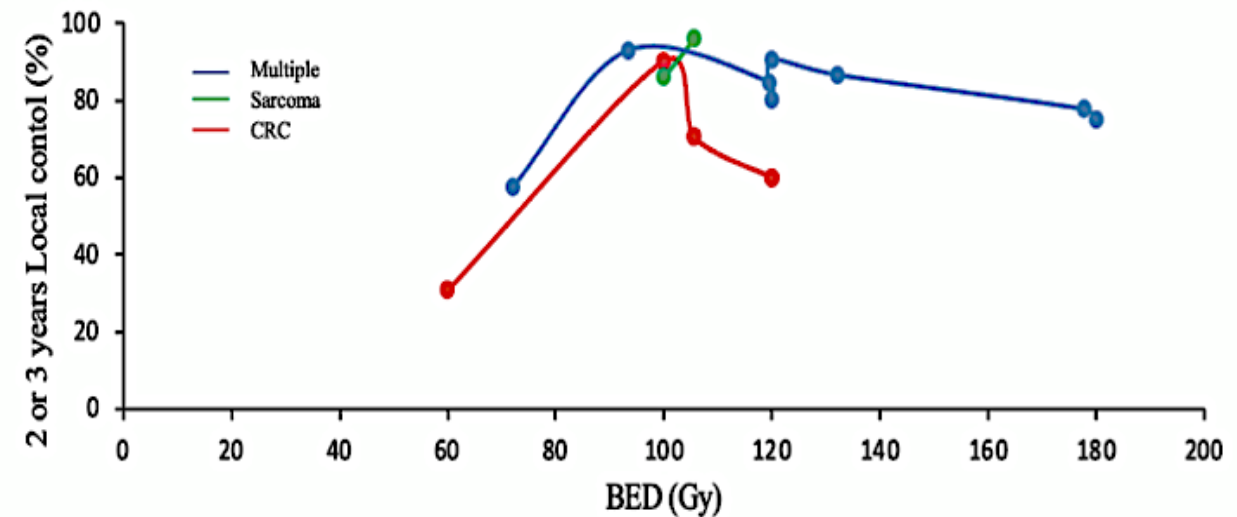
Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy for Patients with Lung Oligometastatic Disease: A Five-Year Systematic Review



Guillaume Virbel , Clara Le Fèvre, Georges Noël *  and Delphine Antoni

2021

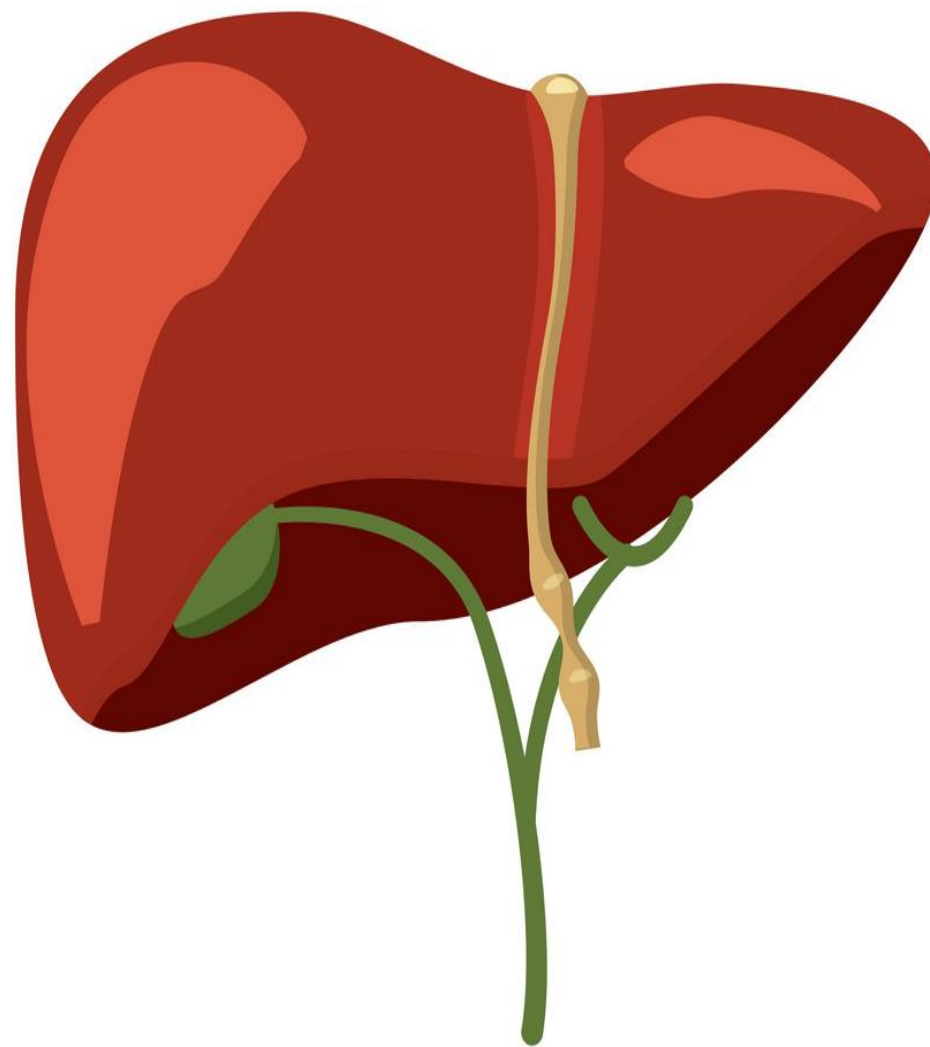
- 5 years systematic review
- 2015 to 2020 published data analyzed
- 18 studies included (Retrospective studies)
- 1191 patients
- 1705 metastases were irradiated
- Diameter of tumor – 7mm to 124mm



Conclusions:

- SBRT is an efficient and well-tolerated treatment for lung metastases in oligometastatic disease.
- Optimal treatment schedule is not definite.
- BED > 100 Gy, appear to be appropriate to obtain a LC comparable with that of surgery.

LIVER



Metastases to the liver are common

Colorectal cancers commonly metastasize to the liver

Long-term survival is possible after metastatectomy.

Metastasectomy remains the gold standard for resectable liver metastases

Many patients are not candidates for surgical resection

Non-invasive techniques such as liver SBRT is an option.

SBRT is a recognized tool for ablation of liver metastases.

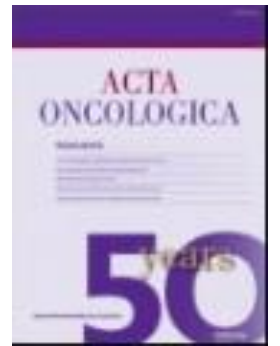
SBRT is an option for unresectable disease and for medically inoperable patients

Phase II study on stereotactic body radiotherapy of colorectal metastases

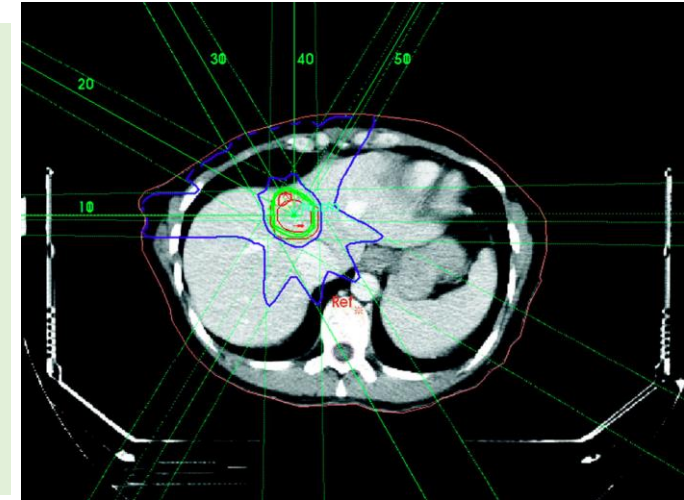
2009

Morten Hoyer , Henrik Roed, Anders Traberg Hansen, Lars Ohlhuis, Jorgen Petersen, Hanne Nellesmann, ...show all

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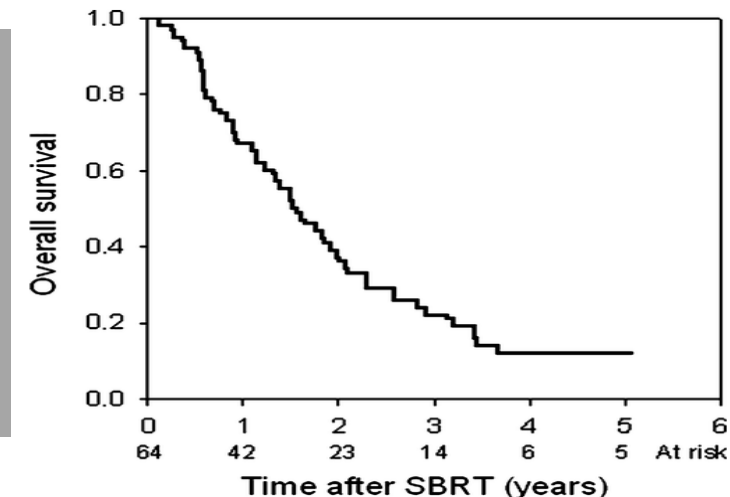


- 64 patients, 1999 - 2003
- 1-6 metastases (maximum diameter of the largest tumor <6 cm)
- Radical resection of the primary tumor & metastases had to be determined to be inoperable
- 141 metastases were treated (Liver mets 44)
- Dose: 15 Gy x 3fr within 5-8 days
- Tumor specific local control 79% at 2 years



Conclusion:

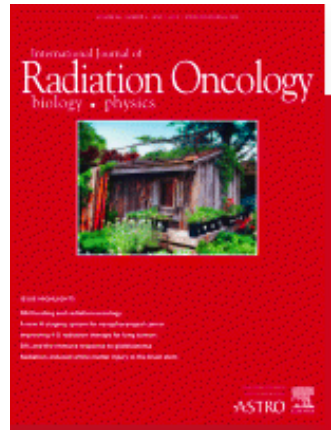
- Promising local control for patients with CRC metastases primarily in the liver and lungs treated with SBRT
- Re-treatment of new lesions was possible and in general, the toxicity of the treatment was moderate



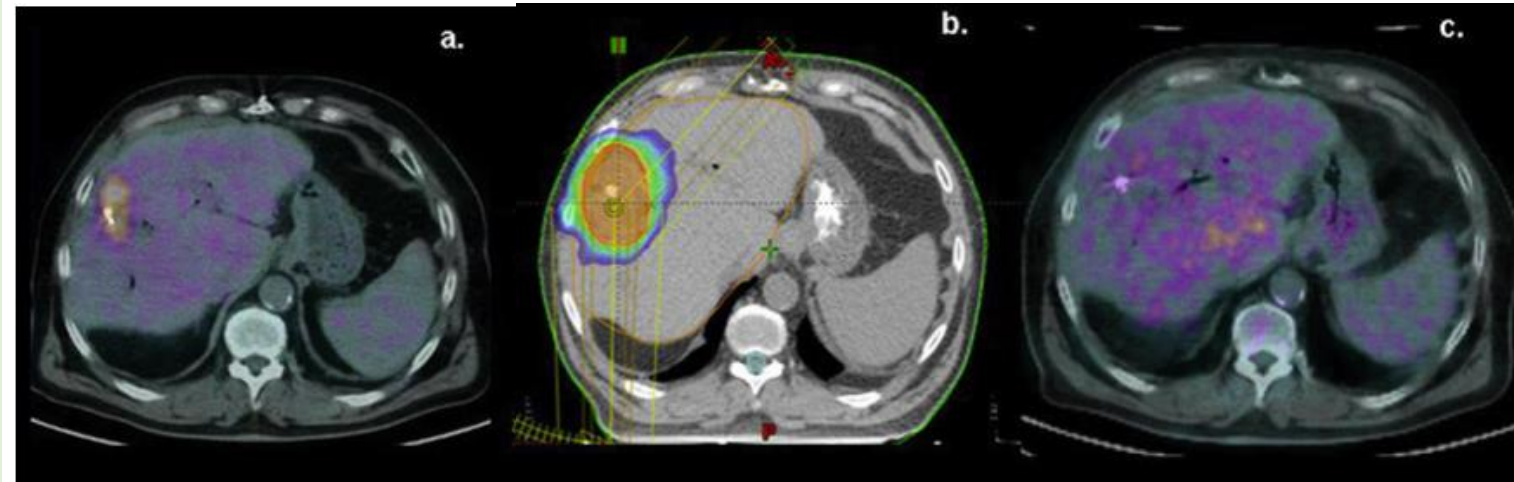
Is Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy an Attractive Option for Unresectable Liver Metastases? A Preliminary Report From a Phase 2 Trial

2013

Marta Scorsetti MD *, Stefano Arcangeli MD *, Angelo Tozzi MD *, Tiziana Comito MD *, Filippo Alongi MD *  



- 61 patients were enrolled with 76 liver metastases
- 1-3 unresectable liver metastases with max diameter < 6 cm
- 34% of patients had stable extrahepatic disease
- Dose: 75 Gy in 3 fractions
- Primary end-point: In-field local control.
- Secondary end-points: Toxicity and survival
- 1-year in-field LC was 94%



Conclusion:

SBRT for unresectable liver metastases is an effective, safe, therapeutic option, with excellent local control and a low t/t toxicity.

DOSE:

- 15 Gy x 3 fractions given in 5-8 days
- 30-37.5 Gy in 3 fractions
- 36 Gy to 60 Gy in 3 fractions
- 75 Gy in 3 fractions

Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy for Colorectal Liver Metastases

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Pooled analysis

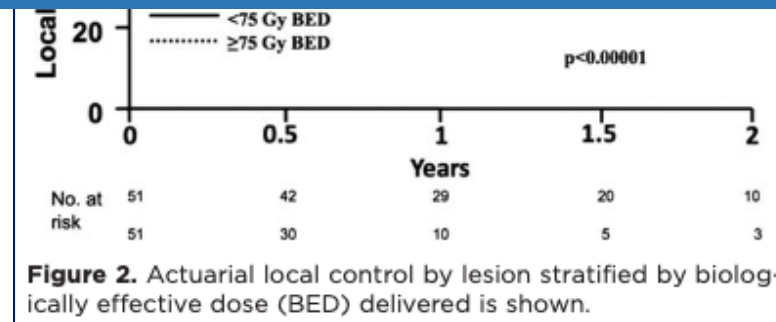
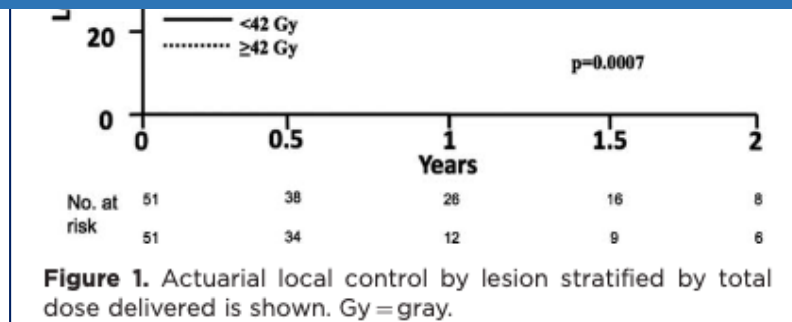
65 patients with 102 lesions treated from August 2003 to May 2009

1 - 4 lesions & Received 1 - 6 fractions of SBRT

Radiological imaging 3 months post-treatment

Conclusion:

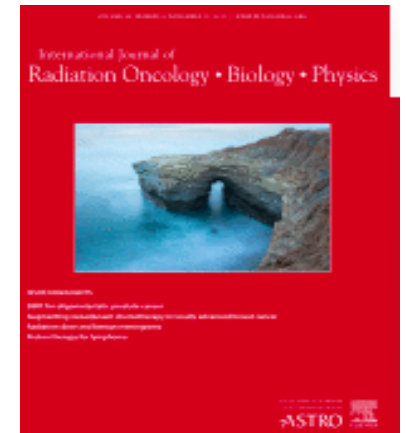
- 3-fraction regimen of SBRT of prescription dose of 48 Gy should be considered, if normal tissue constraints allow
- Patients without active extrahepatic disease have better OS than patients with active extrahepatic disease



Local Control Outcomes Using Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy for Liver Metastases From Colorectal Cancer

2017

Ji Hyeon Joo MD *, Jin-hong Park MD, PhD *, Jin Cheon Kim MD, PhD †, Chang Sik Yu MD, PhD †, Seok-Byung Lim



- 70 patients with 103 colorectal liver metastases
- 45 to 60 Gy in 3 to 4 fractions

Conclusion:

- Longer local control can be expected if higher doses are used
- SBRT of liver metastases derived from colorectal cancer offers a locally effective treatment without significant complications

Group 1	≤ 80 Gy	52
Group 2	100 - 112	83
Group 3	≥ 132	89

Non colorectal Liver metastases

Stereotactic body radiation therapy for melanoma and renal cell carcinoma: impact of single fraction equivalent dose on local control

2011

[Michelle A Stinauer](#), [Brian D Kavanagh](#), [Tracey E Schefter](#), [Rene Gonzalez](#), [Thomas Flaig](#), [Karl Lewis](#),

- RCC – 13 patients, 25 lesions
- Melanoma – 17 patients, 28 lesions
- LC defined pathologically by negative biopsy or radiographically by lack of tumor

Conclusion:

An aggressive SBRT regimen with SFED \geq 45 Gy is effective for controlling metastatic melanoma and RCC

model

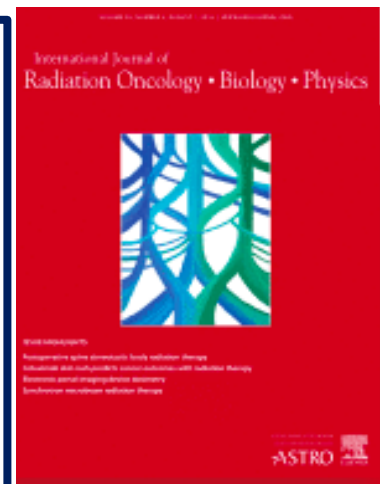
- The actuarial rate of LC at 24 months was 100% for SFED \geq 45 Gy v 54% for SFED < 45 Gy.
- TCP modeling indicated that to achieve \geq 90% 2 yr LC in a 3 fraction regimen, a prescription dose of at least 48 Gy is required

Radiosensitivity Differences Between Liver Metastases Based on Primary Histology Suggest Implications for Clinical Outcomes After Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy

2015

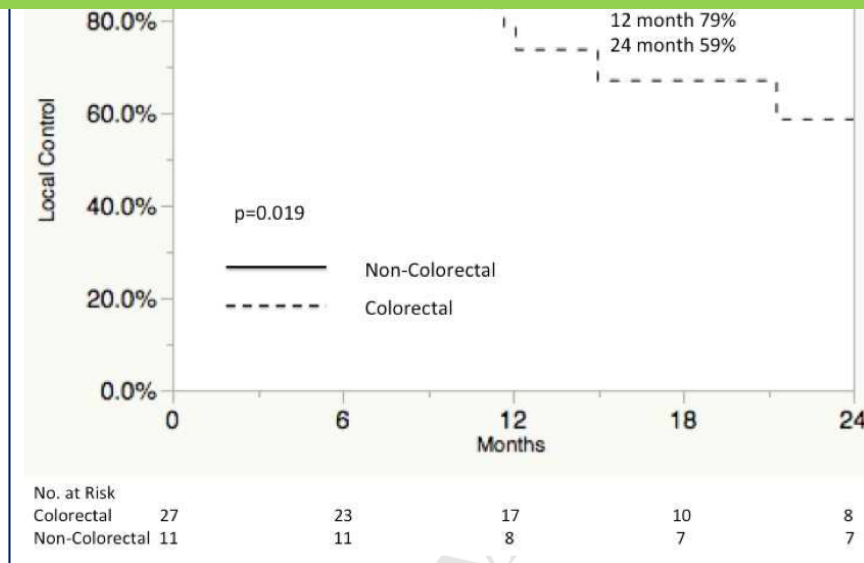
Partially presented in oral form at the 57th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Radiation Oncology, San Antonio, Texas, Oct 21, 2015.

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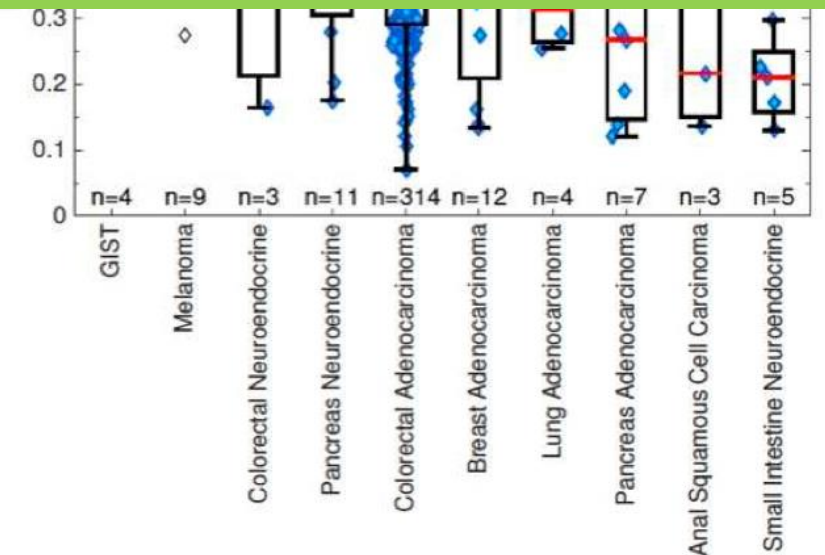


• Conclusion:

- This study suggests that primary histology may be an important factor to consider in SBRT radiation dose selection



Dose
50-60Gy / 5 fr



FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Immunotherapy with SBRT

- Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 therapy
- Anti-CTLA-4
- IFN- Gamma

Radiation therapy to convert cancers



Into an “in situ tumor vaccine” by inducing release of antigens during cancer cell death



promoting proinflammatory signals within and out of the radiation field

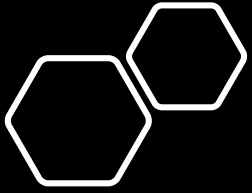


creating positive microenvironmental changes



Stimulate the innate immune system to activate tumor specific T cells and enhance cancer infiltrations

- This augments the effectiveness of Immunotherapy



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- 79 patients
- 3 patients only received SBRT
- Patients included in the analysis were

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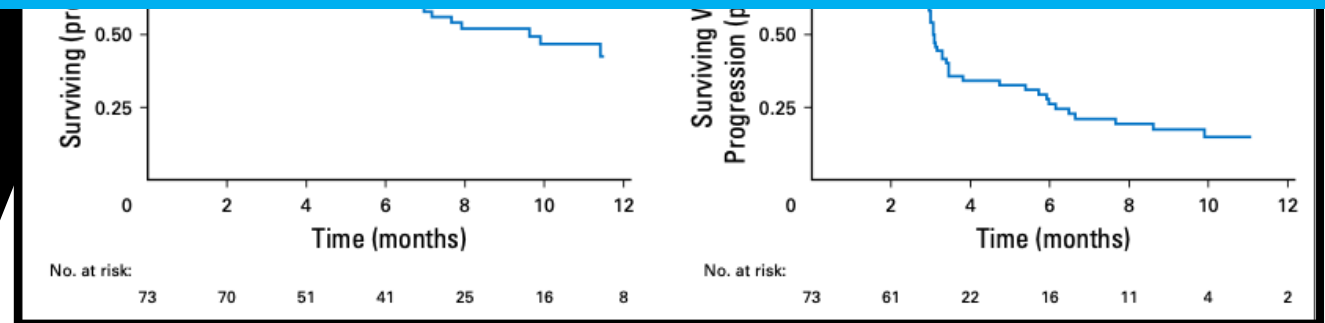
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Conclusion:

- Multisite SBRT followed by pembrolizumab was well tolerated with
- acceptable toxicity.

SBRT to two metastases

- Median follow-up for toxicity was 5.5 months (interquartile range, 3.3 to 8.1 months)
- Median OS - 9.6 months & Median PFS - 3.1 months



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