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**Translational Research
in Molecular Imaging and Radionuclide Therapy**

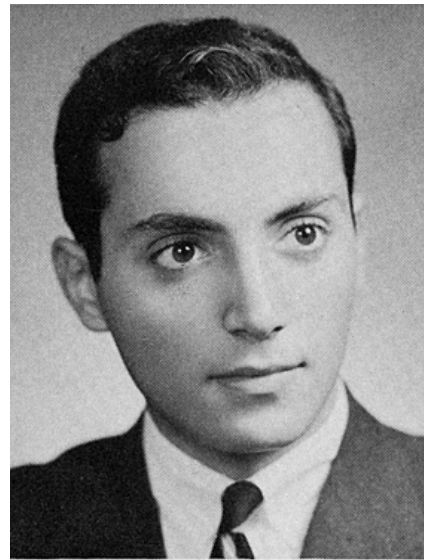
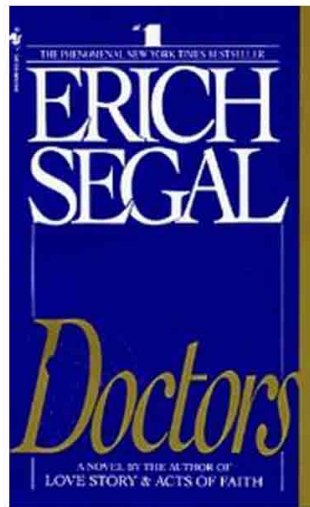
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**Overview Theranostics and
Radionuclide Therapy**

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Dr. Holmes, Dean Harvard Medical School addressing the medical graduates of the class of 1958:

,Gentlemen, I urge you to engrave this on the template of your memories: there are thousands of diseases in this world but the medical science only has an **empirical cure for twenty-six** of them.
The rest is...guesswork'



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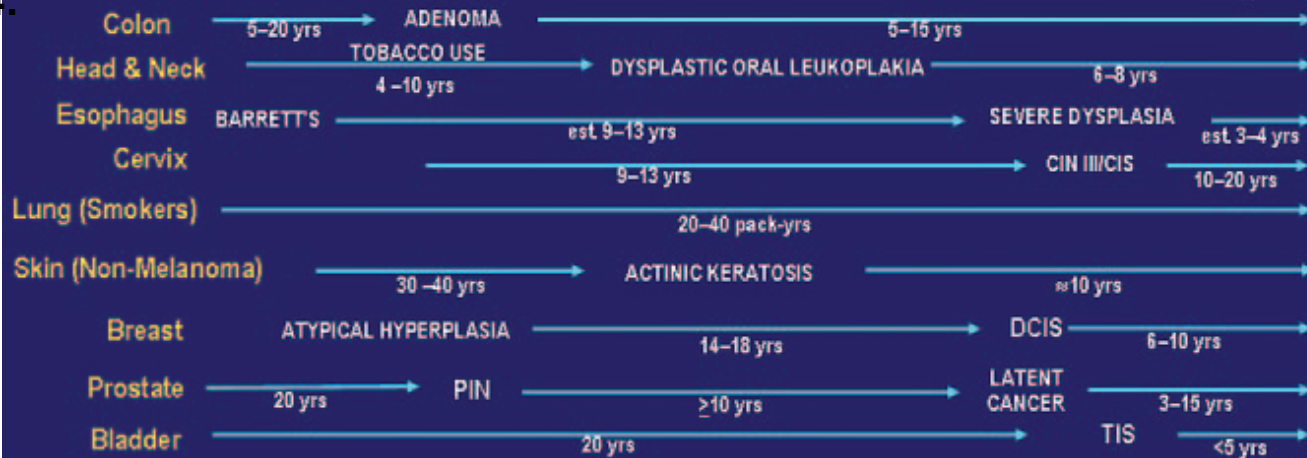
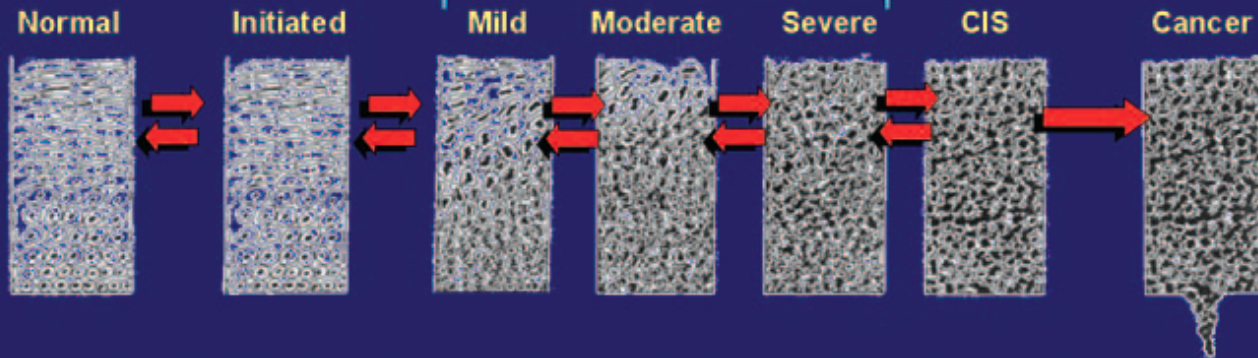
Challenges in Oncology

Cancer cells ,out perform‘ the normal cells selected through ,Darwin’s theory of evolution‘

Prasad, Brenner, Modlin: Eur J Nucl Med Mol Imaging. 2014 Feb;41(2):202-4

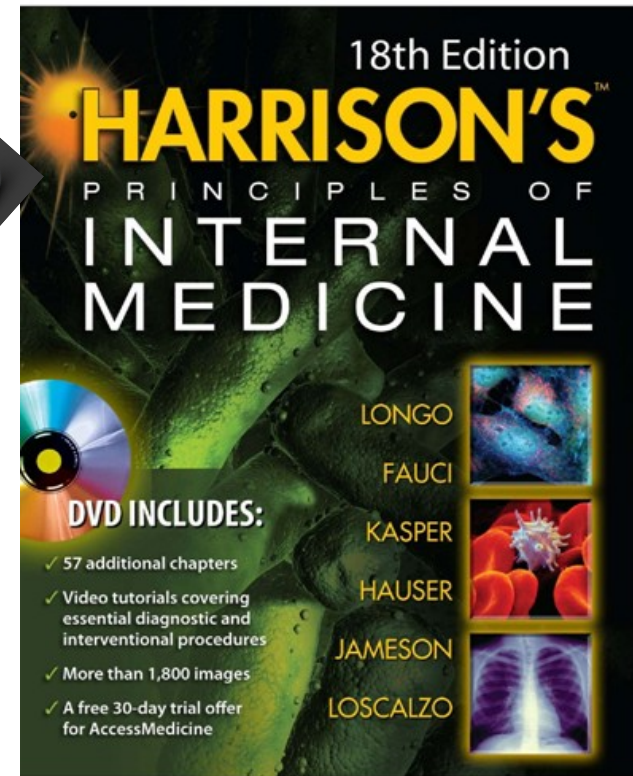
Human Carcinogenesis is a Multi-Year Process

Dysplasia=Intraepithelial Neoplasia (IEN)



Radiology: Vol 244:
Number 1

Evolved Cancer Cells Need To Be Tackled ,Smartly‘!



Theranostics (or Theragnostics) Definition

Personalized Medizin -----  Therapeutic Index

**Theranostics is a portmanteau of therapeutics and diagnostics.
Theranostics is a proposed diagnostic methodology for personalizing
therapeutic intervention/s**

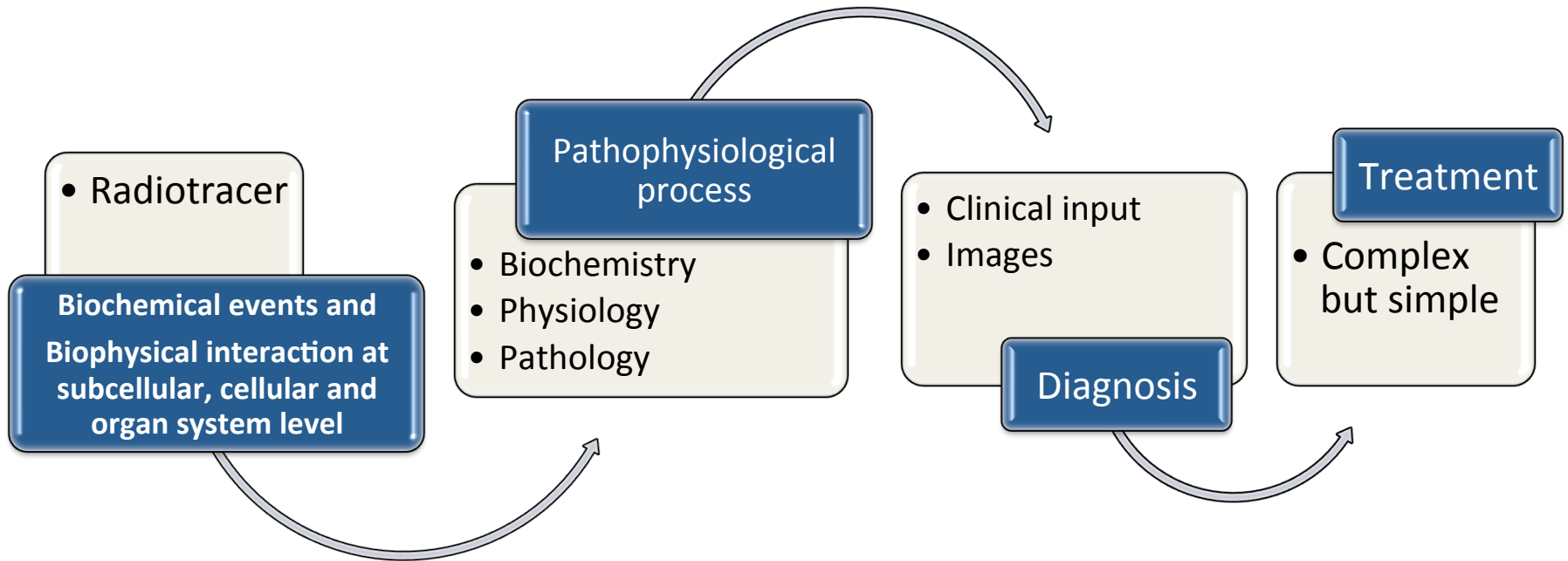


Side Effects



Therapy Response

Nuclear Medicine Definition



Translation and transformation of events taking place at subcellular, cellular or organ-system level through physical devices (radiation and scanners) into understanding complex pathophysiological process behind diseases or diseased organ (diagnosis) and using the same process for treatment using radionuclides is ‚Nuclear Medicine‘.

Nuclear Medicine: First Exponent of Theranostics Concept

- Na-I symporter
- Diagnosis of benign and malignant thyroid diseases using I-123 and I-131
- Treatment using I-131

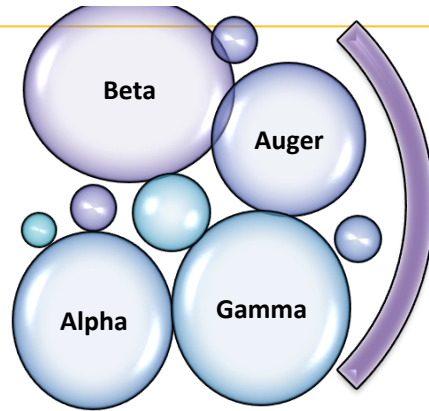
Radionuclides for Therapy

Radionuclide	T ½	Auger	Alpha	Beta	Gamma	Mean Pathlength
I-131	8.04 d			Y	Y	0.9 mm
Lu-177	6.7 d			Y	Y	0.7 mm
Y-90	2.67d			Y		3.9 mm
Sm-153	1.95d			Y	Y	1.2 mm
Re-188	17 hrs			Y	Y	3.5 mm
I-125	60.0d	Y				10 nm
In-111	2.8d	Y			Y	10nm
Ra-223	11.4d		Y			0.06nm
Bi-213	45.6 min		Y			

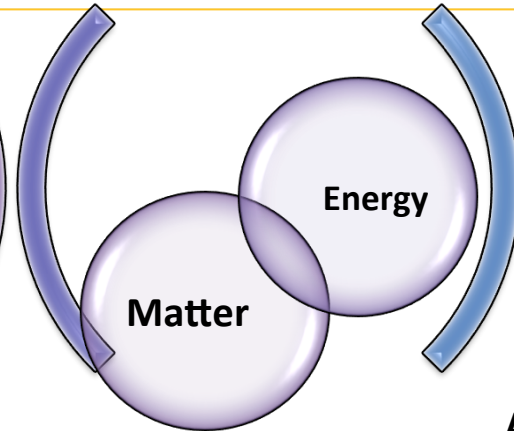
- Dosimetry Protocol

Basic Mechanism of Action:

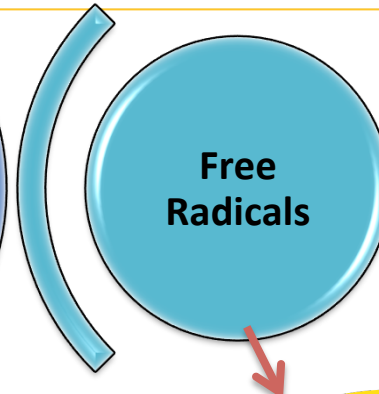
Radiation Induced DNA Double Strand Break



Types of Radiation



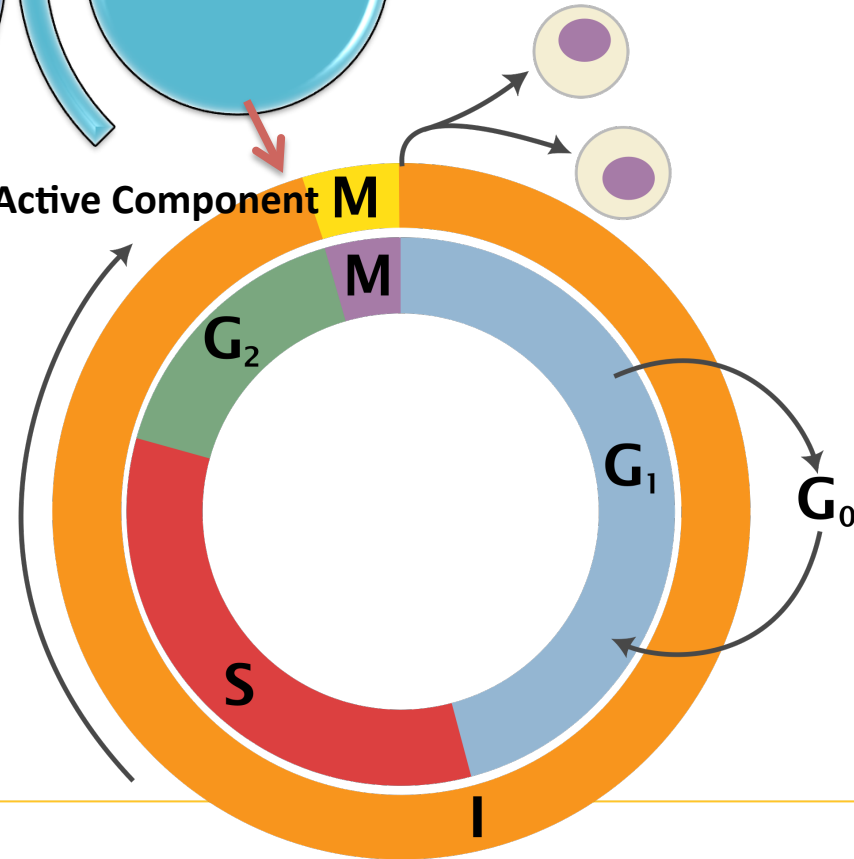
Matter Energy Interaction



Active Component M

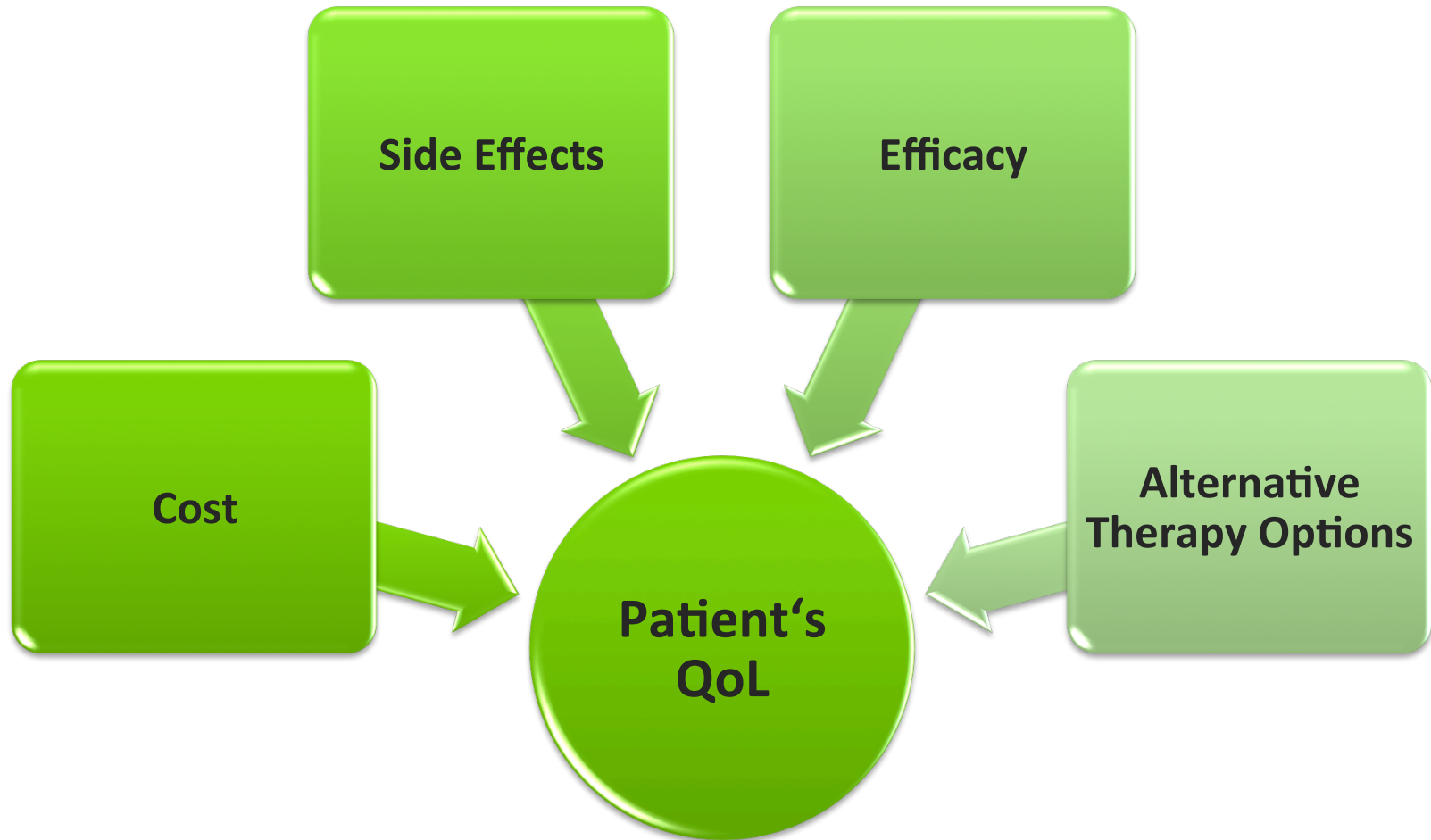
- G2M Phase Most Radiosensitive
- S-Phase and G1 Phase Radioresistant

Is Ki67 the correct proliferation marker?



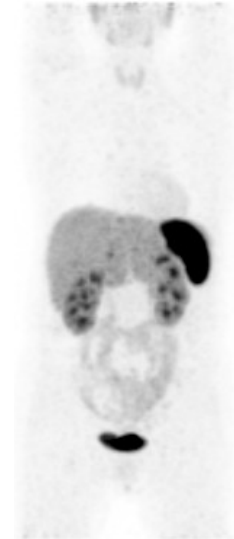
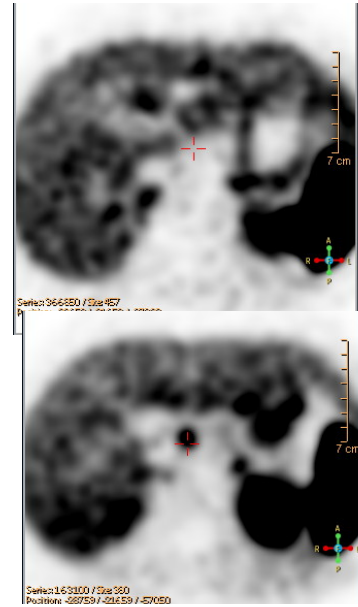
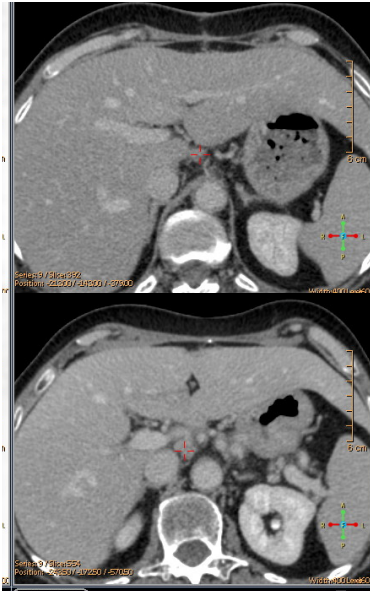
- Response Evaluation

Therapy Response



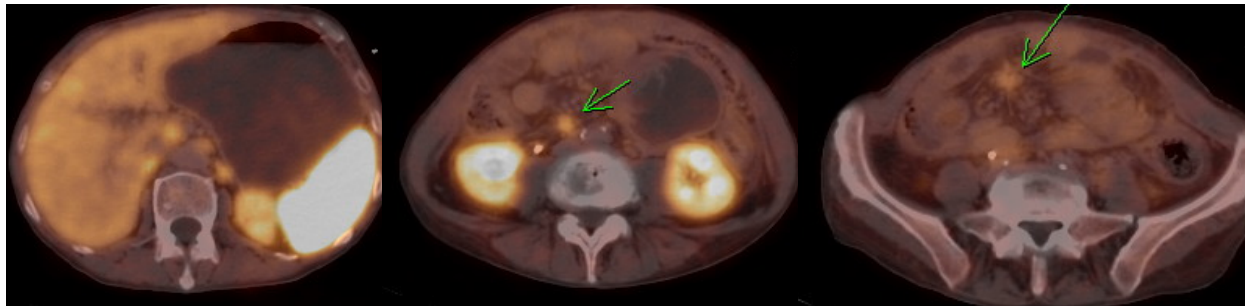
Early Response Prediction Ga-68 DOTATOC PET/CT vs. 3-Phase CT

Jan 2011

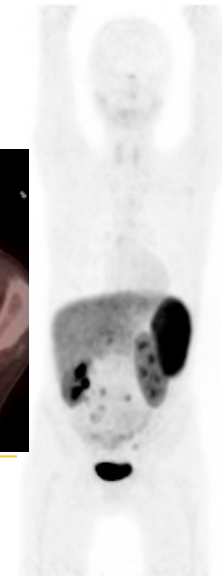


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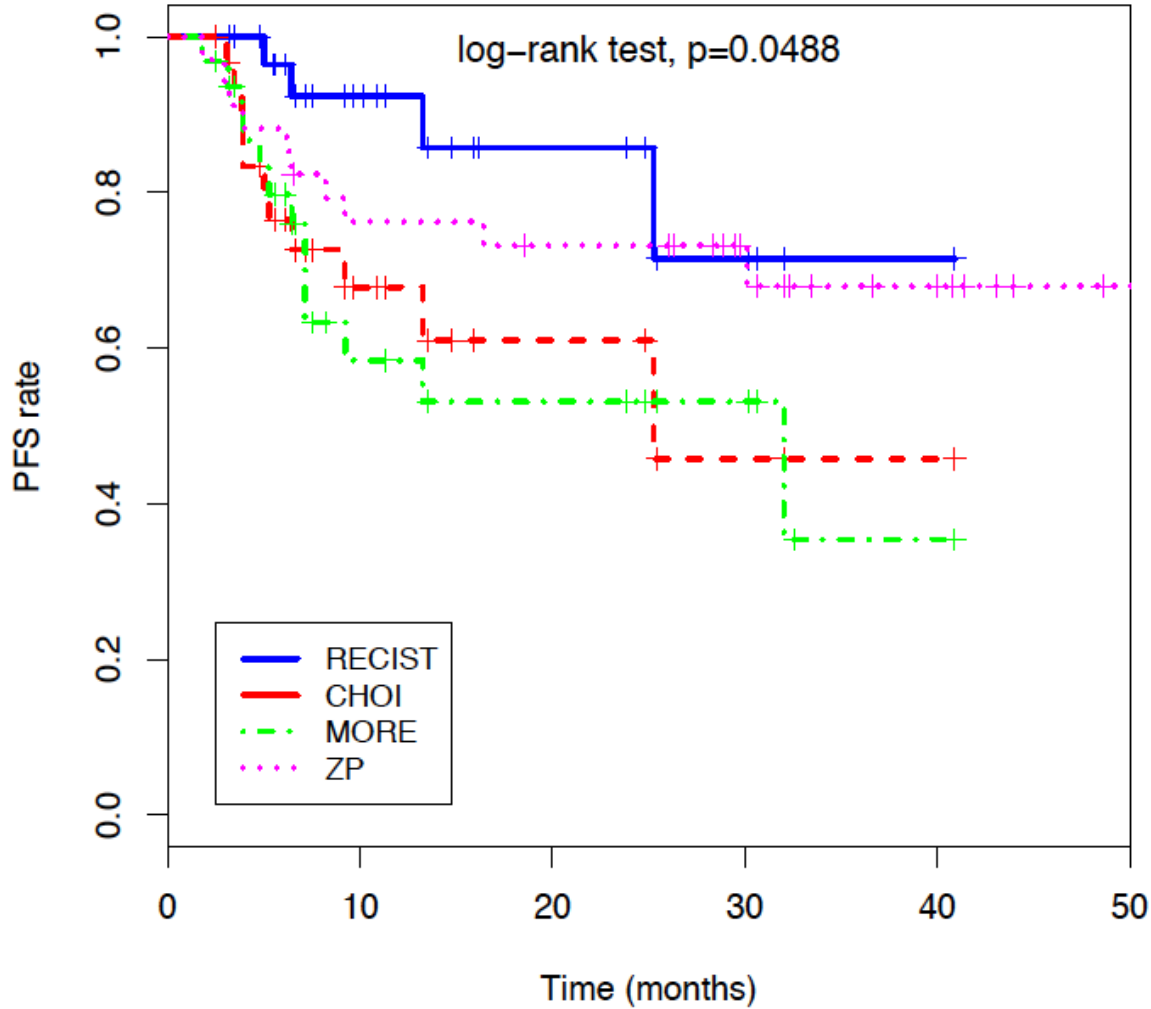


Juni
2013

RECIST, MORE, CHOI, ZP in response assessment of PRRT (unpublished data, Charite)



PFS, criteria



- Cold vs. Radiolabelled (hot) ,smart molecules‘

Differences Between ‚Cold‘ and ‚Hot‘ Smart Molecules

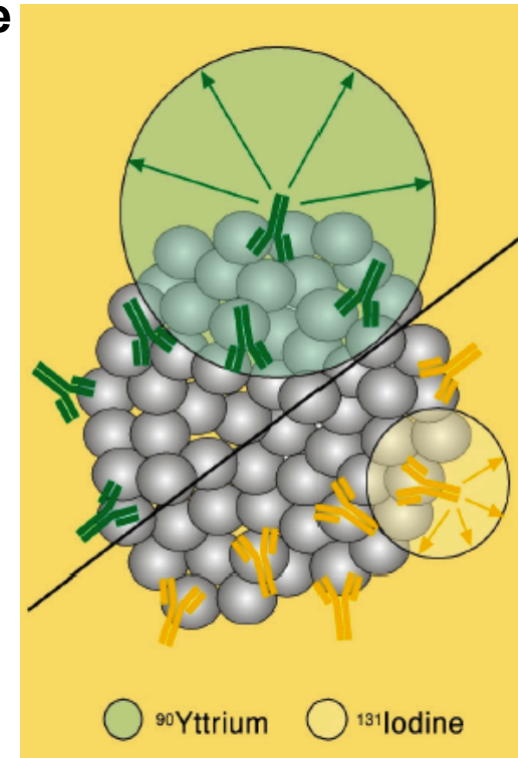
- Concentration
- Penetration
- Effectiveness
- Resistance (Tachyphylaxis)
- Toxicity

Differences Between 'Cold' and 'Hot' Smart Molecules

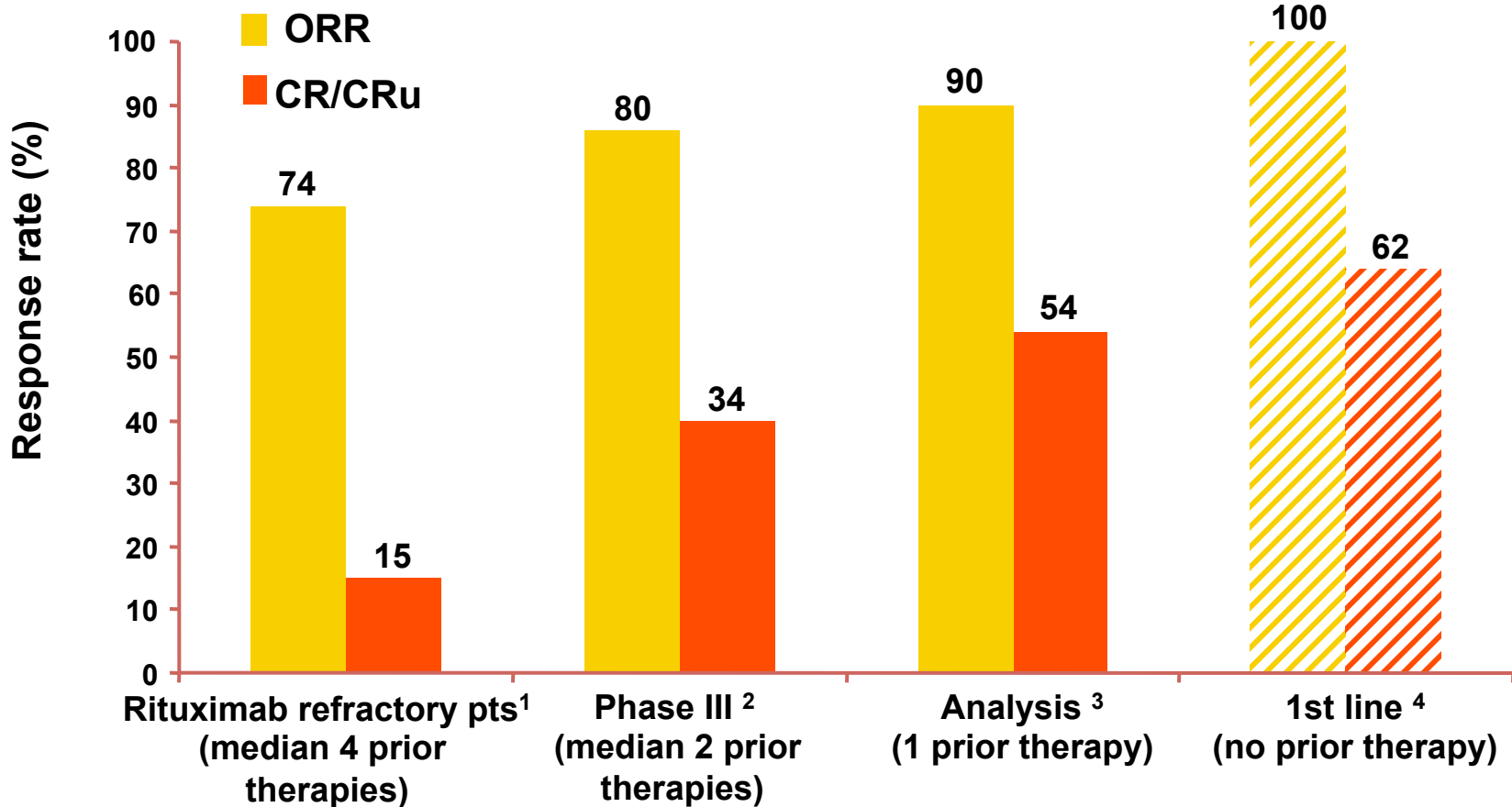
Concentration, Penetration, Effectivity

Zevalin (Y-90 Ibritumomab-Tiuxetan ant CD20 antibody) vs. Rituximab

- **Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma are extremely radiosensitive**
- **The radiotherapy is curative in early stage of indolent NHL.**
- **Penetration of non radiolabelled lymphoma is poor.**
- **Radiolabelled antibodies bind specifically on NHL cells**
- **Lymphoma cells sitting in the center / NHL cells not binding the radiolabelled antibodies can be killed due to the cross fire effect of Y-90.**
- **Small macroscopically not visible NHL cells are additionally killed.**



Zevalin As First Line Therapy Is More Effective!!



¹Witzig et al., J Clin Oncol 2002

²Gordon et al., Clin Lymph 2004

³Emmanouilides et al., Blood 2003

⁴Sweetenham et al., Blood 2004

Differences Between 'Cold' and 'Hot' Smart Molecules Resistance and Tachyphylaxis PRRT vs. 'Cold' Somatostatin Analogs

Y-90 DOTATOC therapy in NET patients resistant to cold somatostatin analogs

Table 3. Duration of Symptom Response to ⁹⁰Y-Edotreotide

Symptoms (7-point scale: 0-6)	Patients With Baseline Symptoms		Duration (weeks)				Durable Response*	
	No.	%	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum	%	No.
Diarrhea	63	70	12.2	13.8	5.7	21.1	60	38/63
Hot flushes	65	72	10.5	9.7	4	19.5	51	33/65
Abdominal pain	59	66	10.7	9.3	4.1	21.1	58	34/59
Nausea/vomiting	35	39	11.0	12	4.1	18	60	21/35
Feeling tired	75	83	9.5	8.1	4.0	18	47	35/75
Decreased strength	62	69	11.1	12.5	4	15.6	52	32/62
Heartburn	24	27	10.3	9.6	4.8	19.5	54	13/24
Loss of appetite	40	44	12.1	13.0	5.7	18.0	55	22/40
Difficulty sleeping	44	49	13.2	13.9	4.0	19.5	43	19/44
Muscle/joint pain	47	52	10.5	10.6	4.0	17	55	26/47
Shortness of breath	35	39	12.1	13.6	4.0	21.1	54	19/35
Fever	14	16	11.1	12.1	4	14.7	64	9/14

*A durable response is measured as 4 or more weeks in length.

J Clin Oncol. 2010 Apr 1;28(10):1652-9

Differences Between 'Cold' and 'Hot' Smart Molecules Life Threatening or Severe Toxicity

	Radionuclide Therapy	mTOR inhibitors	Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors
MDS/Leukemia	1-3.7%; relative risk persistent hematological disorder under PRRT 3.6	-	-
Renal Insufficiency	1-2%*	-	-
Cardiopulmonary		17%**	< 1 %
Treatment Related Fatal Events	<1%	1.8%	<1%

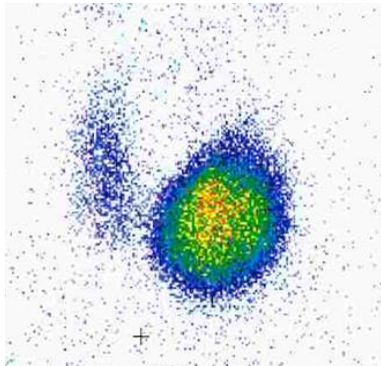
- **Specific Targets= Success**

I-131 Therapy of Benign Thyroid Diseases

300 - 400 Gy

150 - 300 Gy

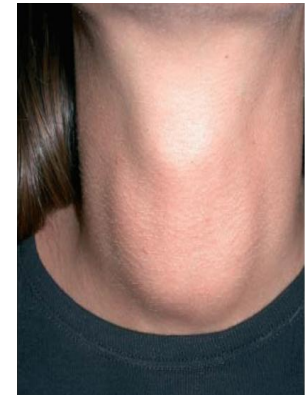
100 – 150 Gy



**Focal
Autonomy**



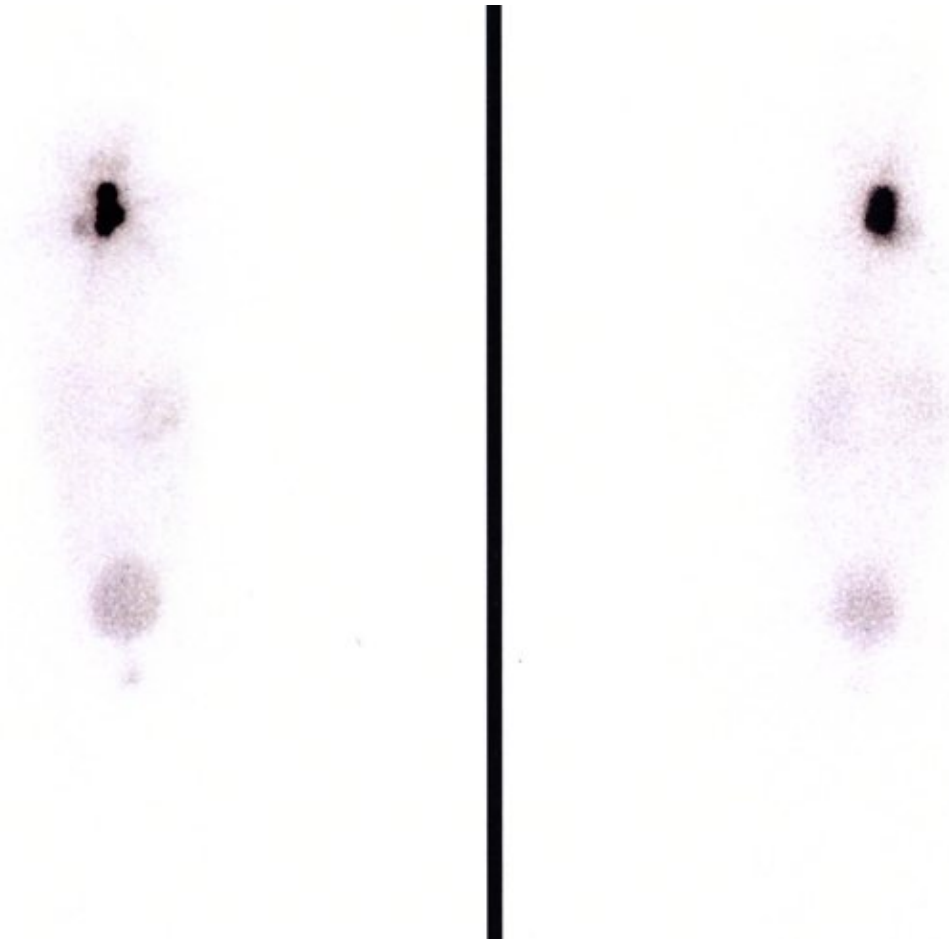
**Morbus Basedow /
Graves Disease**



Goiter

Radionuclide Therapy of Differentiated Thyroid Cancer

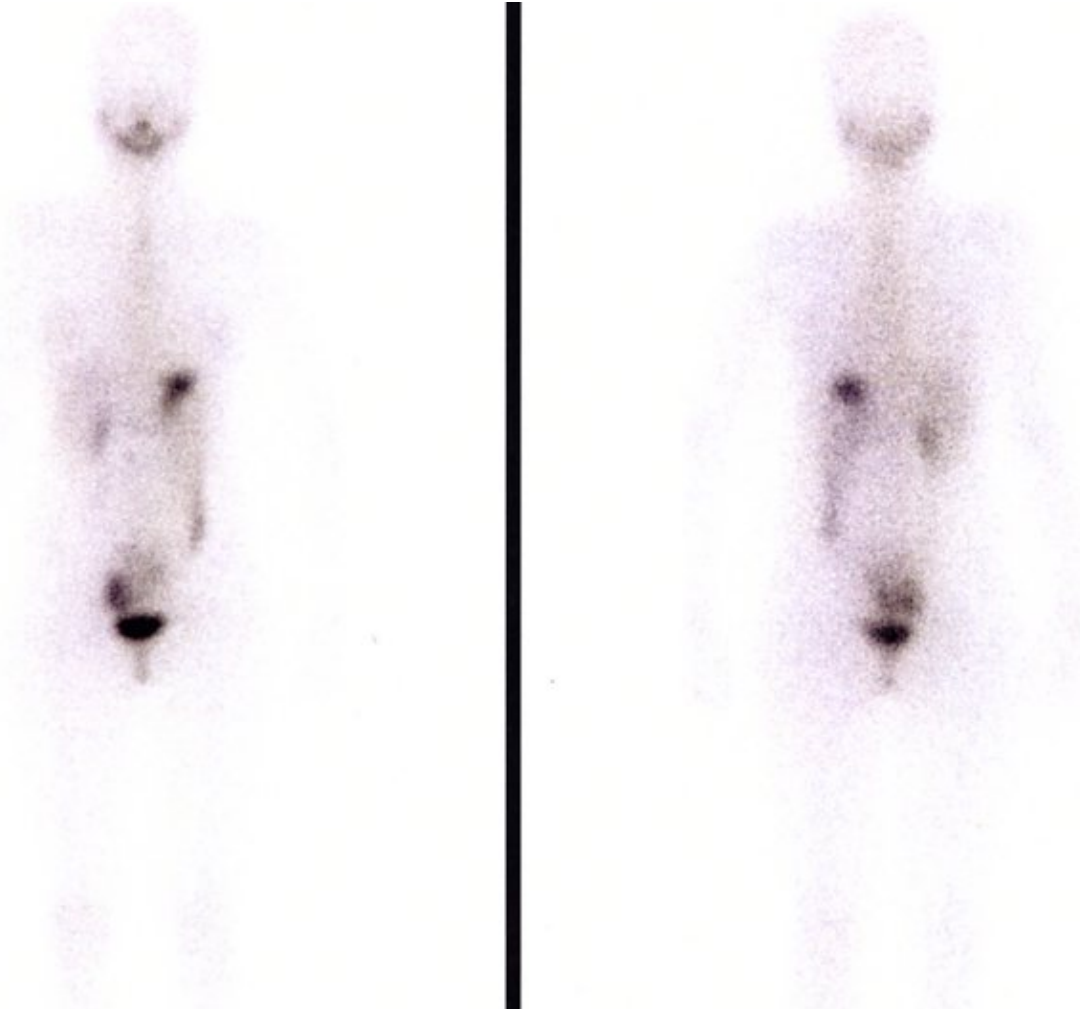
I-131 Whole Body Scan After 1st Radioiodine Therapy



Radionuclide Therapy Of Differentiated Thyroid Cancer

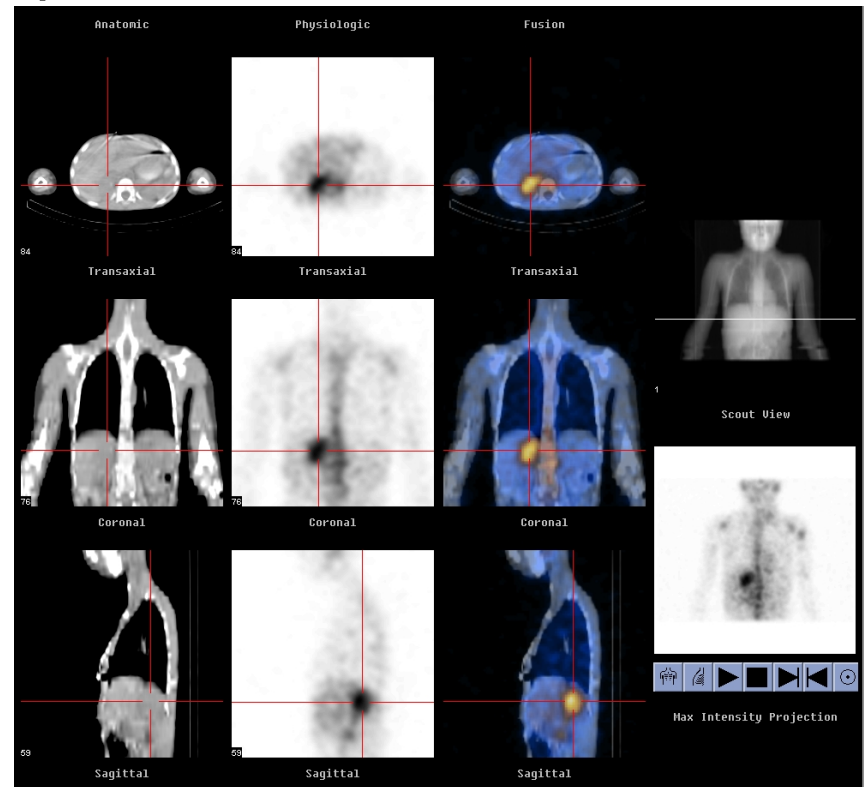
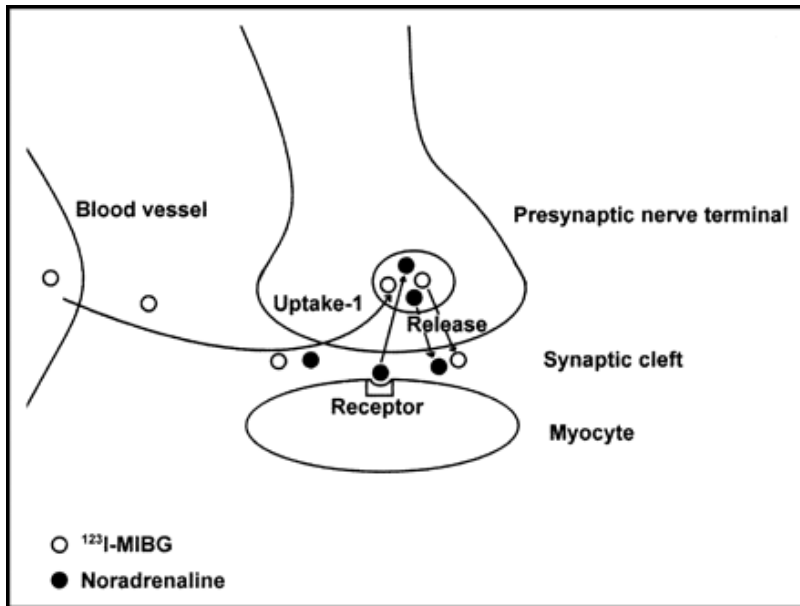
I-131 Whole Body Scan After 2nd Radioiodine Therapy

Complete Remission



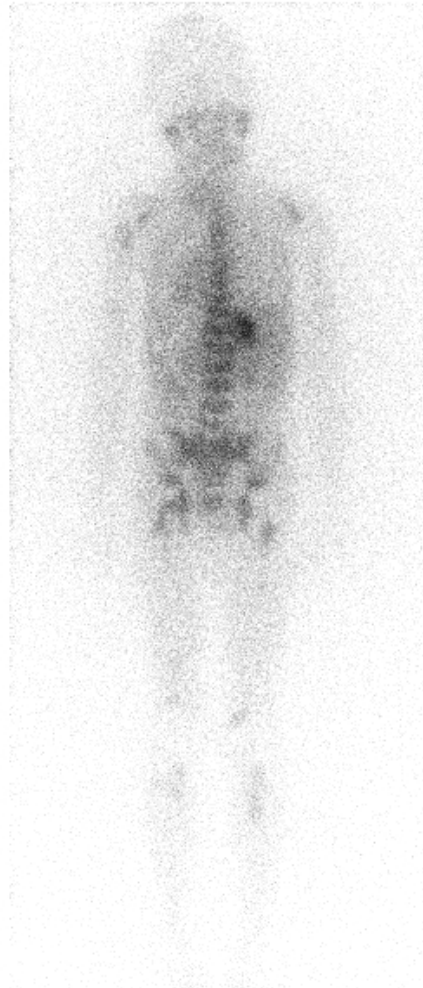
Neuroblastoma I-123 and I-131 MIBG

CT: Mass lesion in right adrenal gland
I-123 MIBG Scintigraphy: focal increased uptake in the mass lesion.



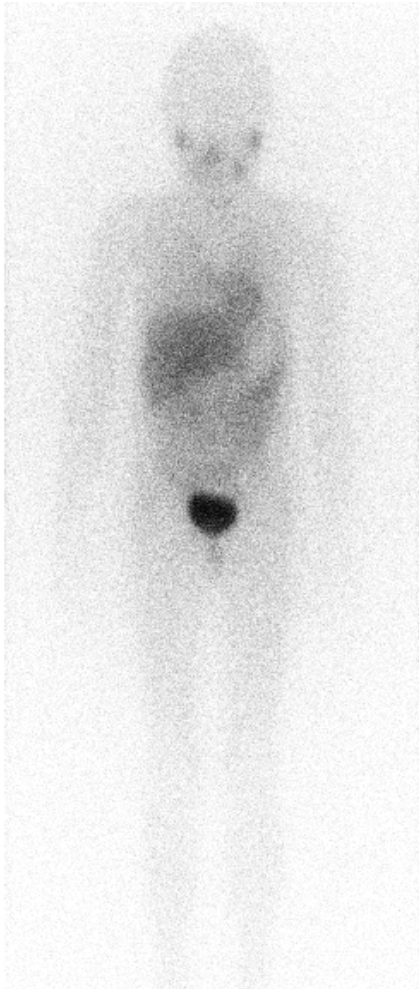
J. Nucl. Med. Technol. June 1, 2004 vol. 32 no. 2 66-71

I-131 MIBG Therapy

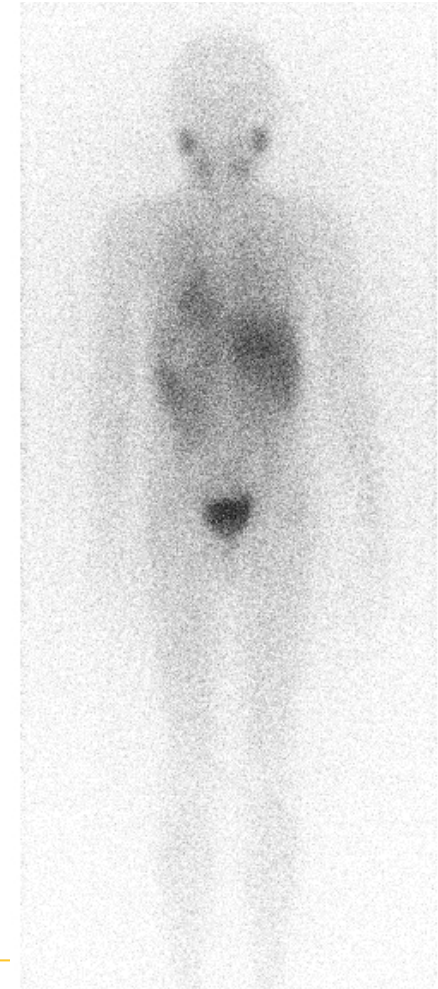


**Neuroblastoma patient with
disseminated bone marrow
metastases**

Posttherapeutic I-131 MIBG-Scintigraphy



Normal Finding After
Chemotherapy, MIBG-Therapy
and Bone Marrow Transplantation



Dose Limiting Factor Is
Bone Marrow Toxicity

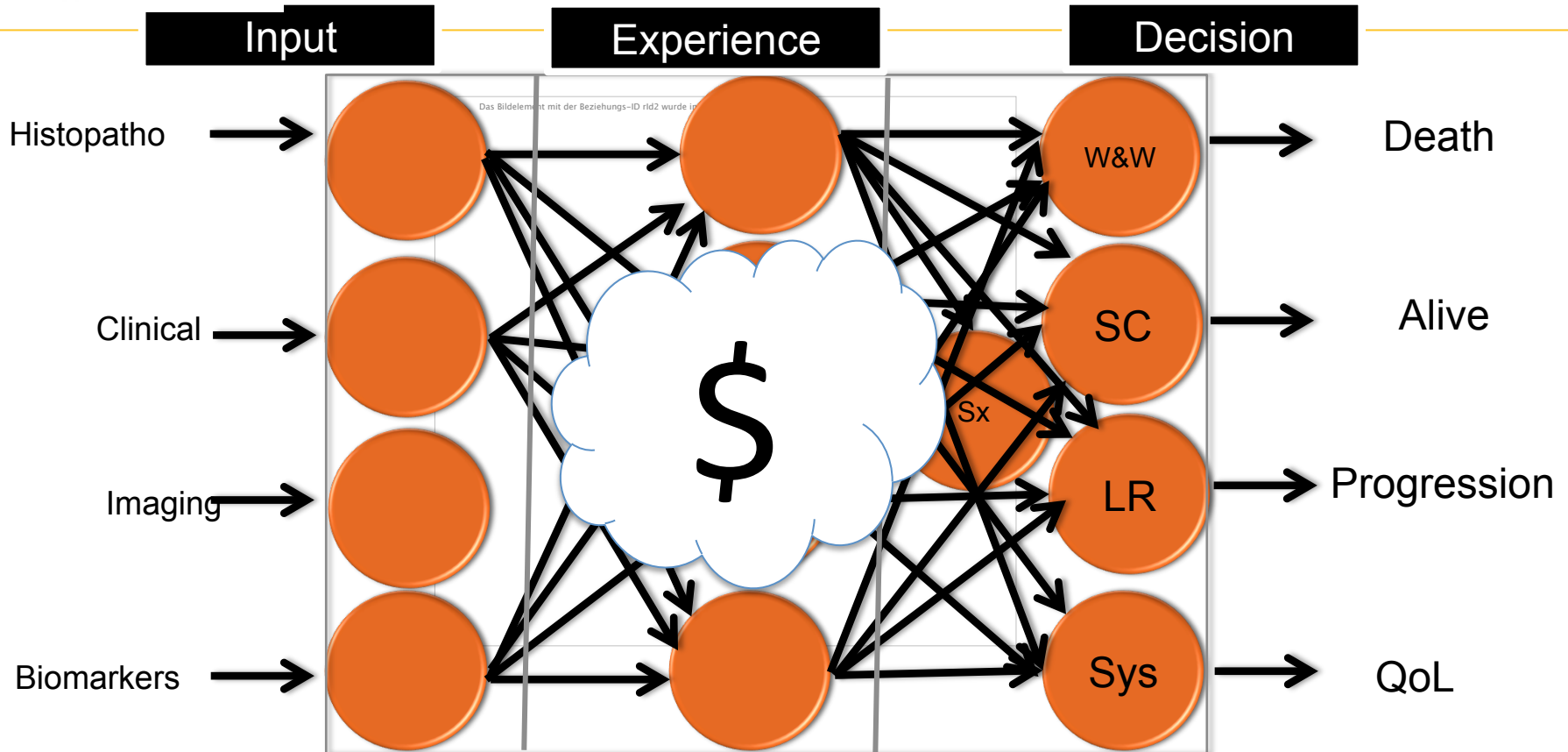
Lessons Learned # 2

- Tumor are heterogeneous = they cannot be tackled through one mechanism only

Neuroendocrine Tumor (NET)

- Heterogeneous, relatively indolent
- Most of the good to moderately differentiated NET show increased somatostatin receptor expression

Decision and Management Algorithm

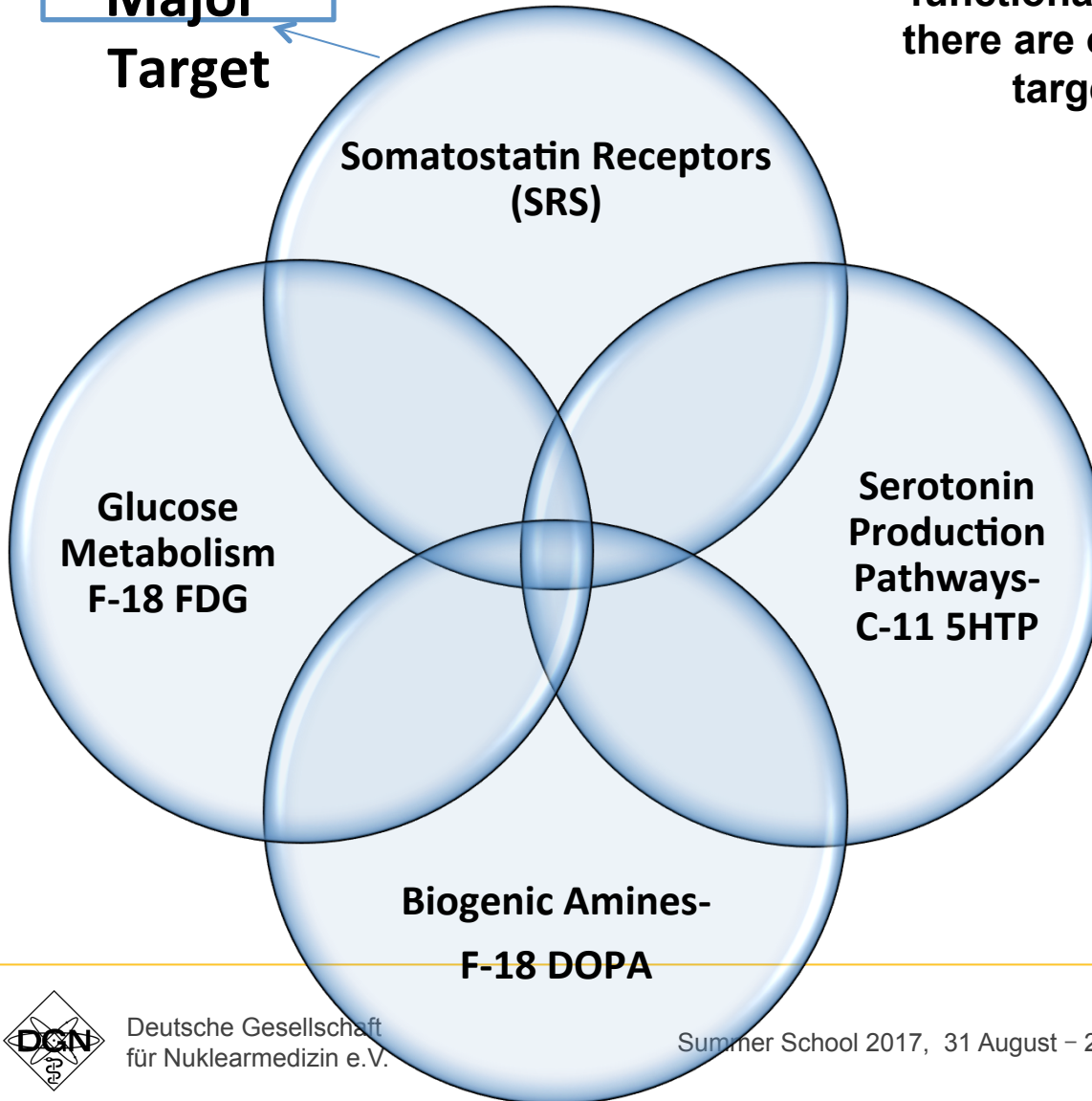


W&W = wait and watch, SC= symptom control, Sx= surgery with curative intent, LR= locoregional therapy (including debulking), Sys = systemic therapy

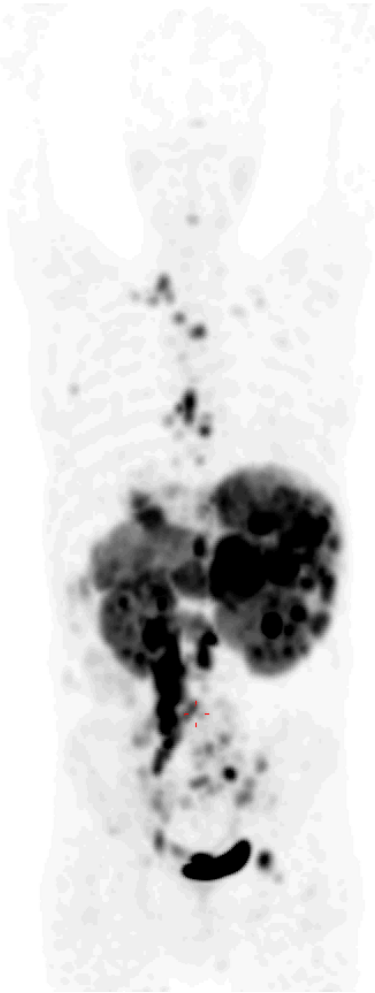
Radiopharmaceuticals-NET

Because of the heterogeneity of neuroendocrine tumors in their functionality, their origin and prognoses, there are overlapping zones amongst the targets for molecular imaging.

**Major
Target**

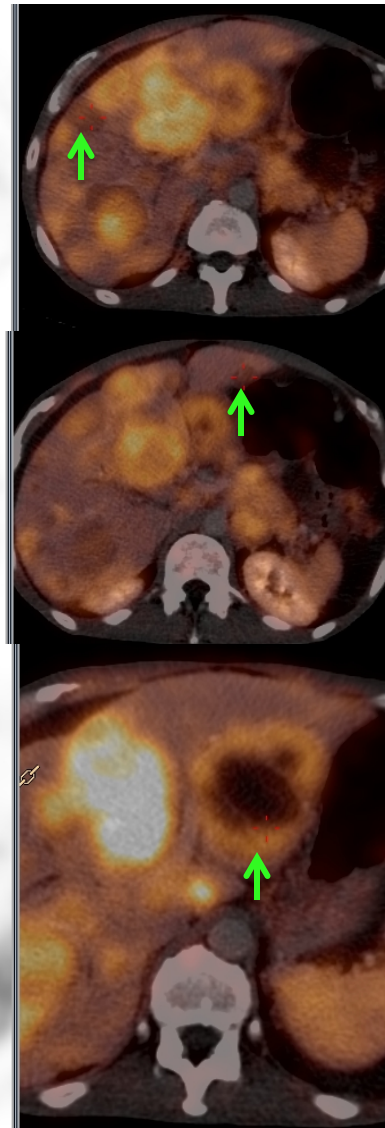
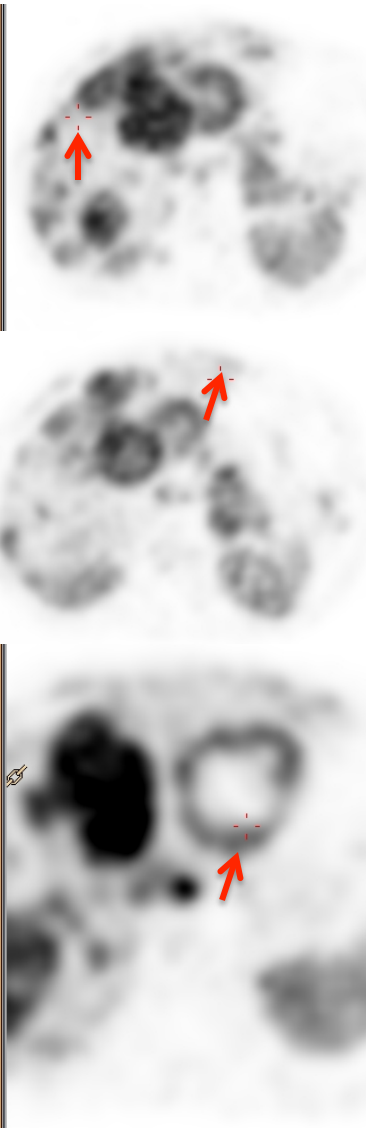


Indication for PRRT?

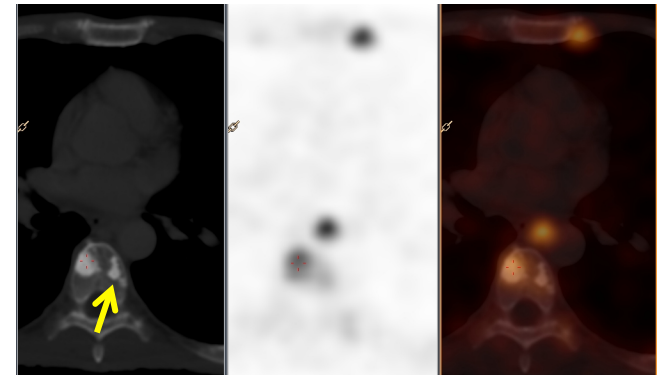
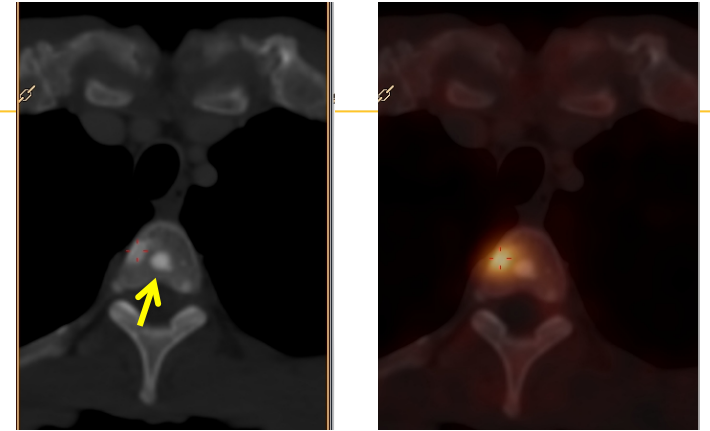


53 year / male
Resident of Cypem
pancreatic NET (Ki67 10%), KI 60%, FD 04/2012
Best response after 3 cycles of 5FU/Strepto- SD
In Cypem sutent and everolimus not available
Ga-68 DOTATATE- multiple somatostatin receptor
positive lesions

According to the ENETS guidelines he is suitable for
PRRT



Ga-68 DOTATATE PET/CT

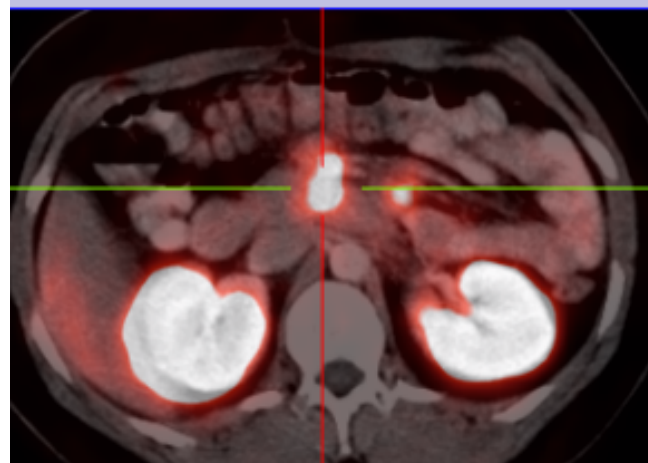
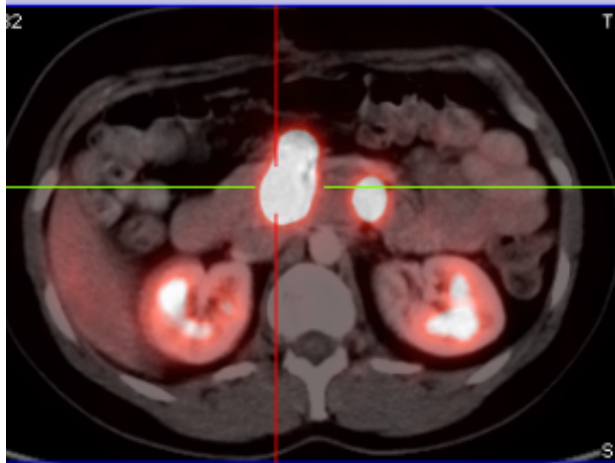
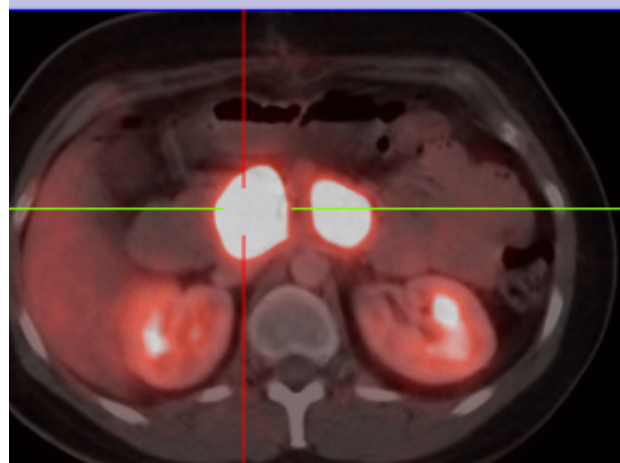
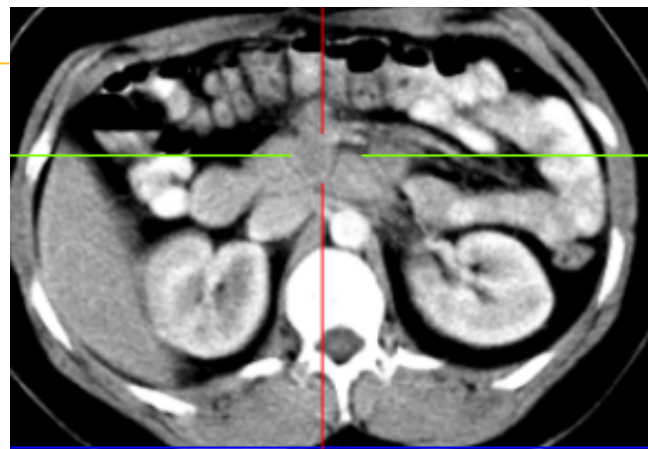
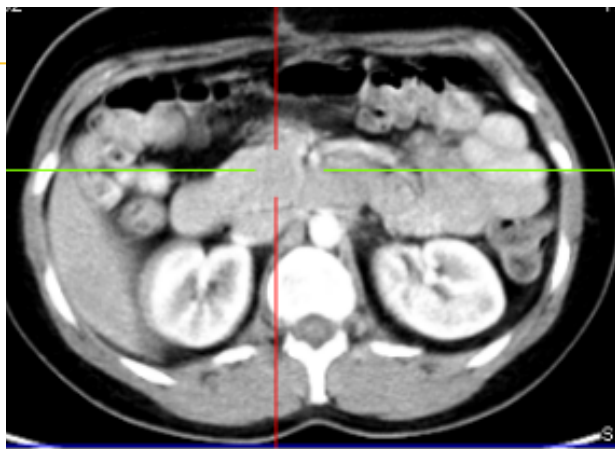
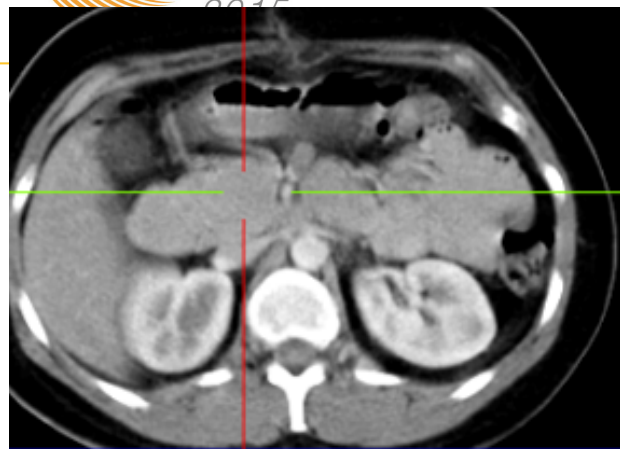


**Clinically G3 (loss of 15 Kg in 6 months),
glucagonoma not ruled out**

**Lesions had highly
heterogeneous
somatostatin receptor
profile**



Sequential PRRT (Y-90 DOTA-TATE) of Inoperable Pancreatic NET



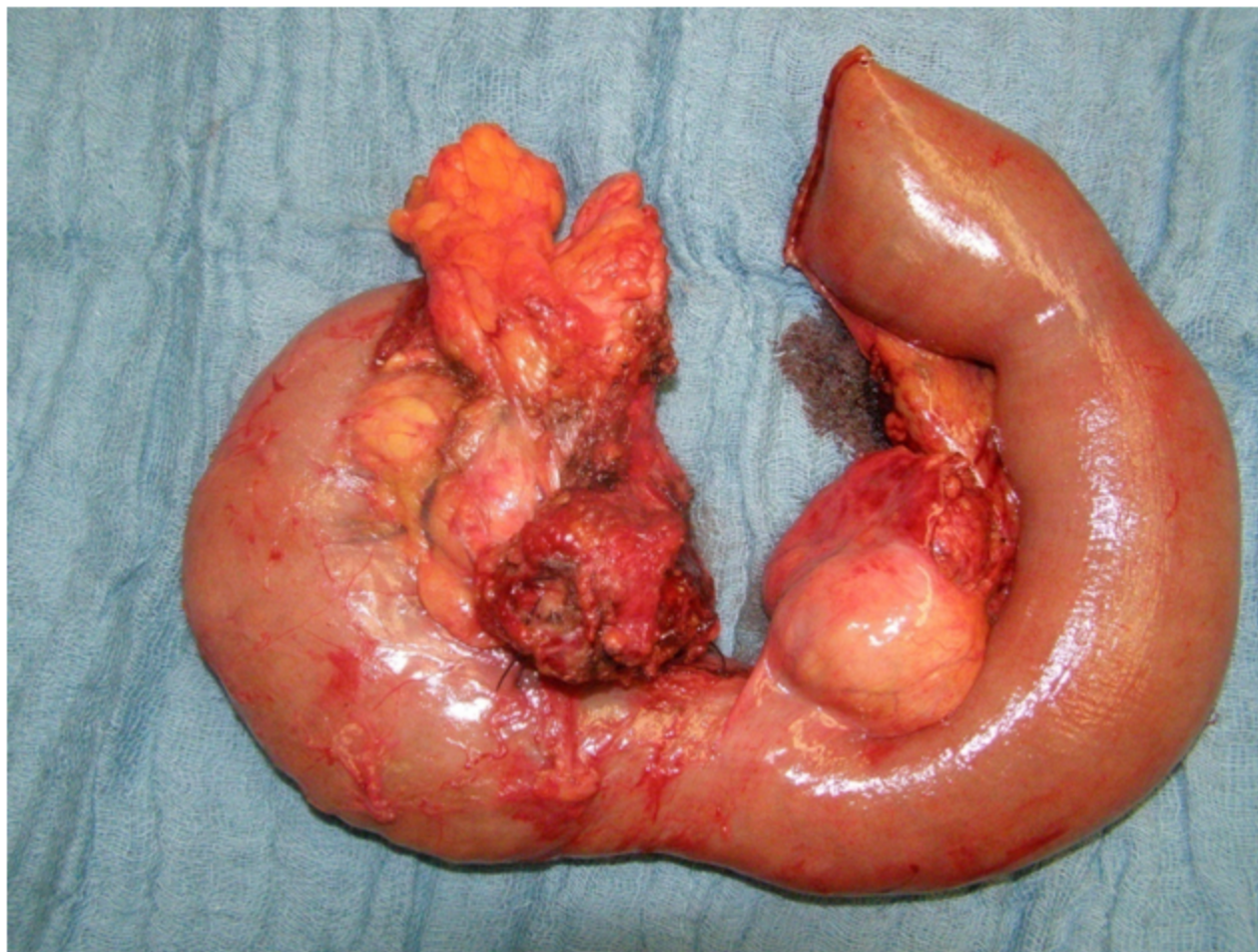
Before PRRT-1
6 GBq Y-90 **Jan. 2007**

Before PRRT-2
4.5 GBq Y-90 **May 2007**

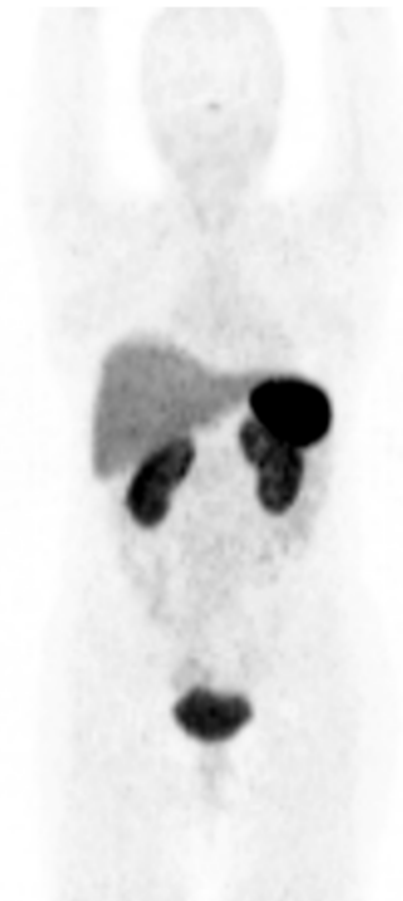
5-mo after PRRT-2
pre Op. **Oct. 2007**

Whipple' Operation – Complete Resection of Pancreatic NET after Neoadjuvant PRRT

Kaemmerer, Prasad et al; World J Gastroenterol. 2009 Dec 14;15(46):5867-70



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**Histology revealed nearly total tumor necrosis
typical for radiation necrosis**

**Follow up at 48 months –
complete remission**

N = 229 (ITT)

Number of events: 90

- ¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate: 23
- Oct 60 mg LAR: 67

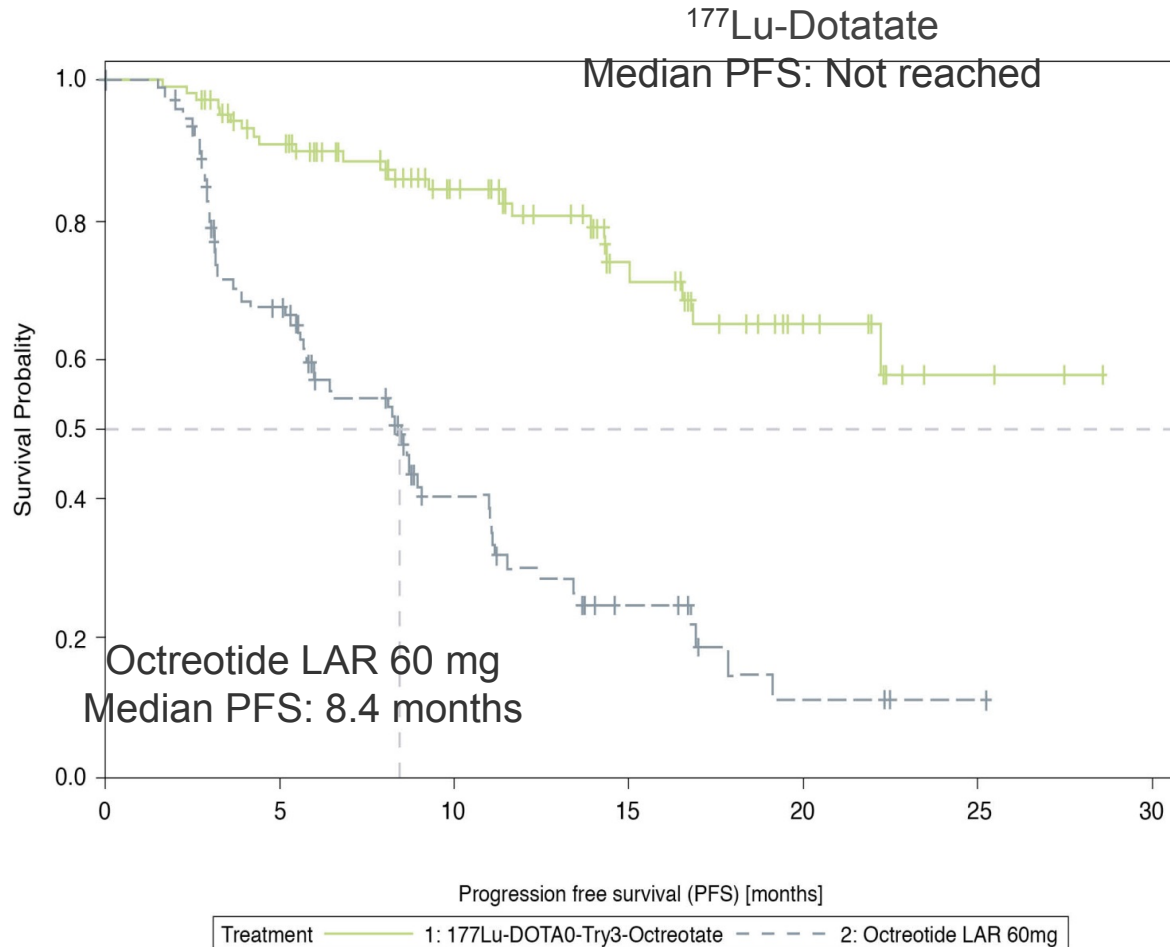
Hazard ratio : **0.21** [0.129 – 0.338] **p < 0.0001**



79% reduction in the risk of disease progression/death



Estimated Median PFS in the Lu-DOTATATE arm
≈ 40 months



All progressions centrally confirmed and independently reviewed for eligibility (SAP)

Lessons Learned # 3

- Radionuclide therapy works even when other therapies are not effective anymore.

Prostate Cancer Ra-223 Working Principle

Actively taken up in area of new bone formation

Irradiates nearby tumor cells → high energy transfer

Osteoblast

Tumor Cell

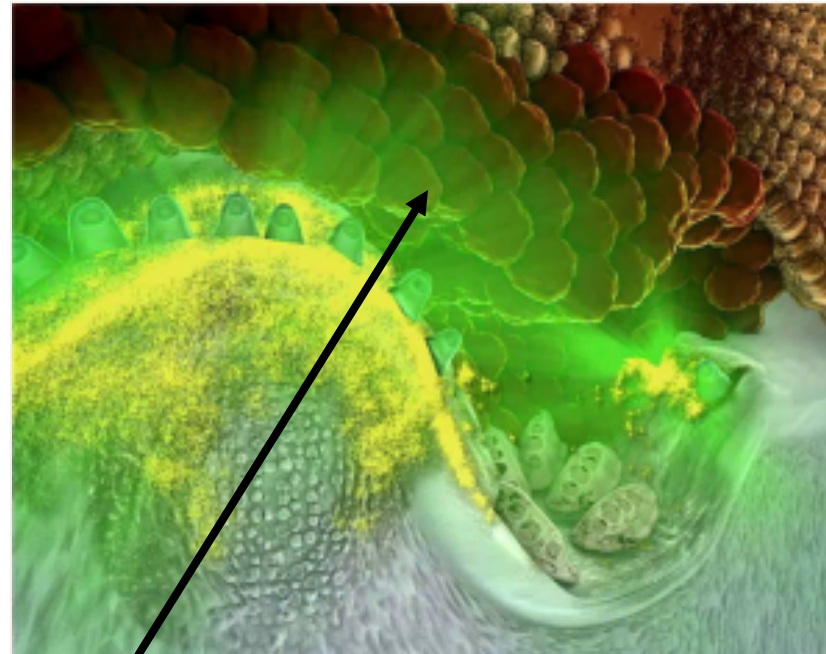
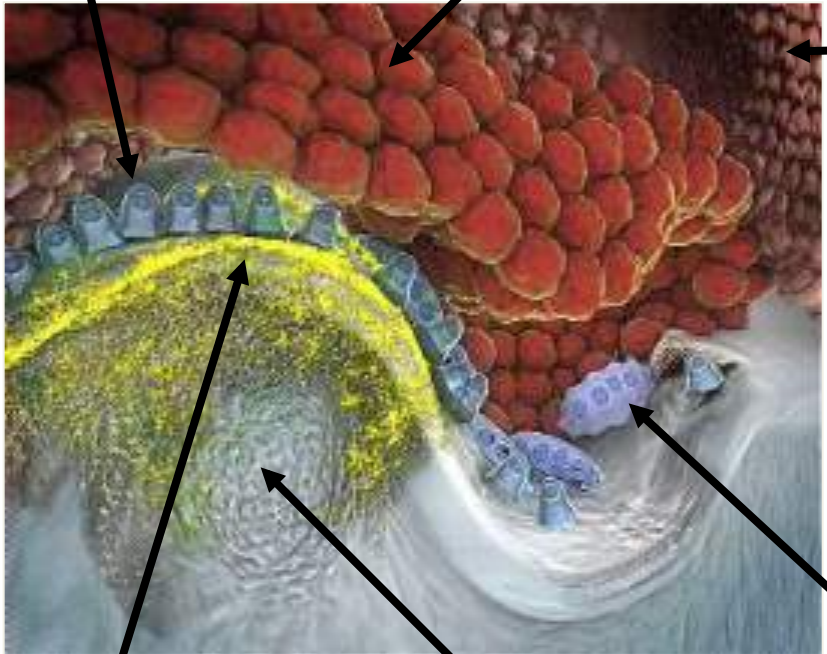
Bone Marrow

Osteoclast

Radium-223
Entrapment

New bone
formation

α-Particle irradiation

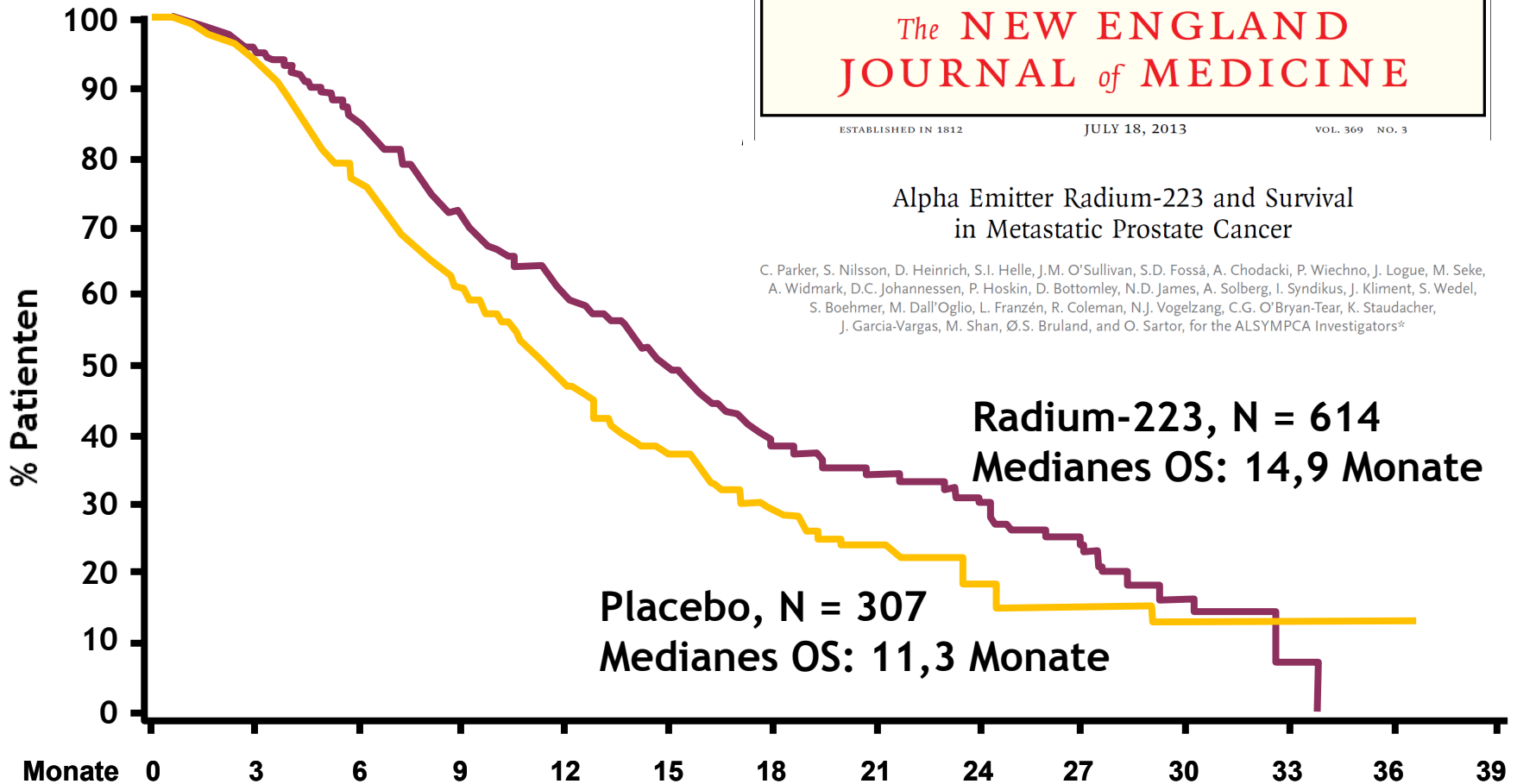


ALSYMPCA: Overall Survival in Castrate Resistant / Hormone Refractory Prostate Cancer Patients With Bone Metastases After Ra-223 Therapy



Alpha Emitter Radium-223 and Survival in Metastatic Prostate Cancer

C. Parker, S. Nilsson, D. Heinrich, S.I. Helle, J.M. O'Sullivan, S.D. Fossà, A. Chodacki, P. Wiechno, J. Logue, M. Seke, A. Widmark, D.C. Johannessen, P. Hoskin, D. Bottomley, N.D. James, A. Solberg, I. Syndikus, J. Kliment, S. Wedel, S. Boehmer, M. Dall'Oglio, L. Franzén, R. Coleman, N.J. Vogelzang, C.G. O'Bryan-Tear, K. Staudacher, J. Garcia-Vargas, M. Shan, Ø.S. Bruland, and O. Sartor, for the ALSYMPCA Investigators*



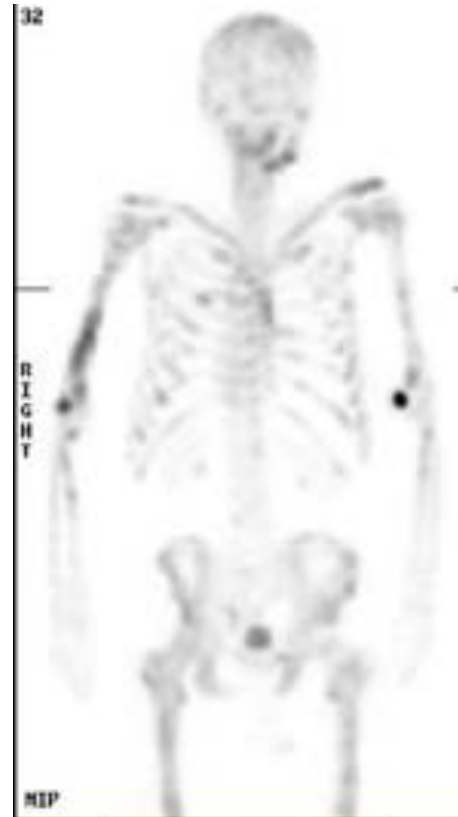
Radium-223	614	578	504	369	274	178	105	60	41	18	7	1	0	0
Placebo	307	288	228	157	103	67	39	24	14	7	4	2	1	0

HR = 0,695, p = 0,0007

Prostate Cancer Response To Ra-223



Before recruitment in
ALSYMPCA Studie



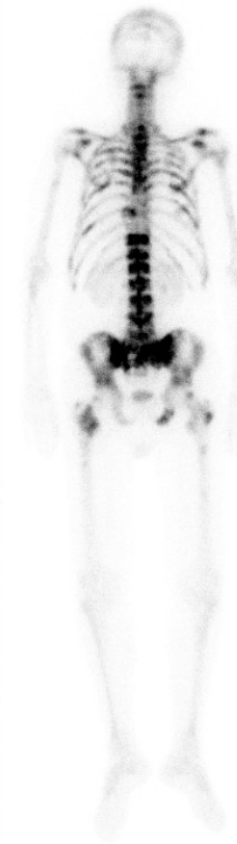
After 6x i.v. of Radium-223
(50 kBq/kg)

PSMA PET and Therapy

Patient with multiple bone metastases and PSA 660 ng/dl referred for the evaluation of Lu-177 PSMA therapy. Ga-68 PSMA PET/CT showed not only disseminated bone lesion but also liver and lymph node lesions. Patient was progressive under all standard therapy including chemotherapy



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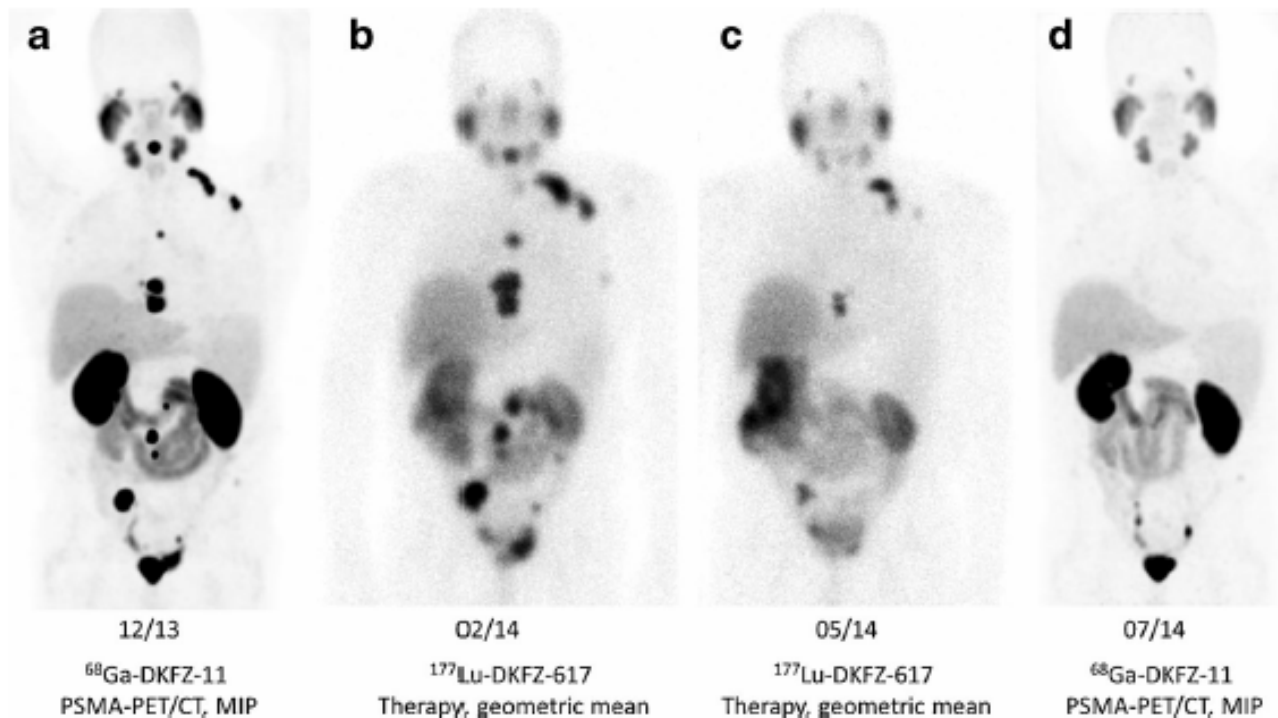


LDR

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W256

[¹⁷⁷Lu]Lutetium-labelled PSMA ligand-induced remission in a patient with metastatic prostate cancer

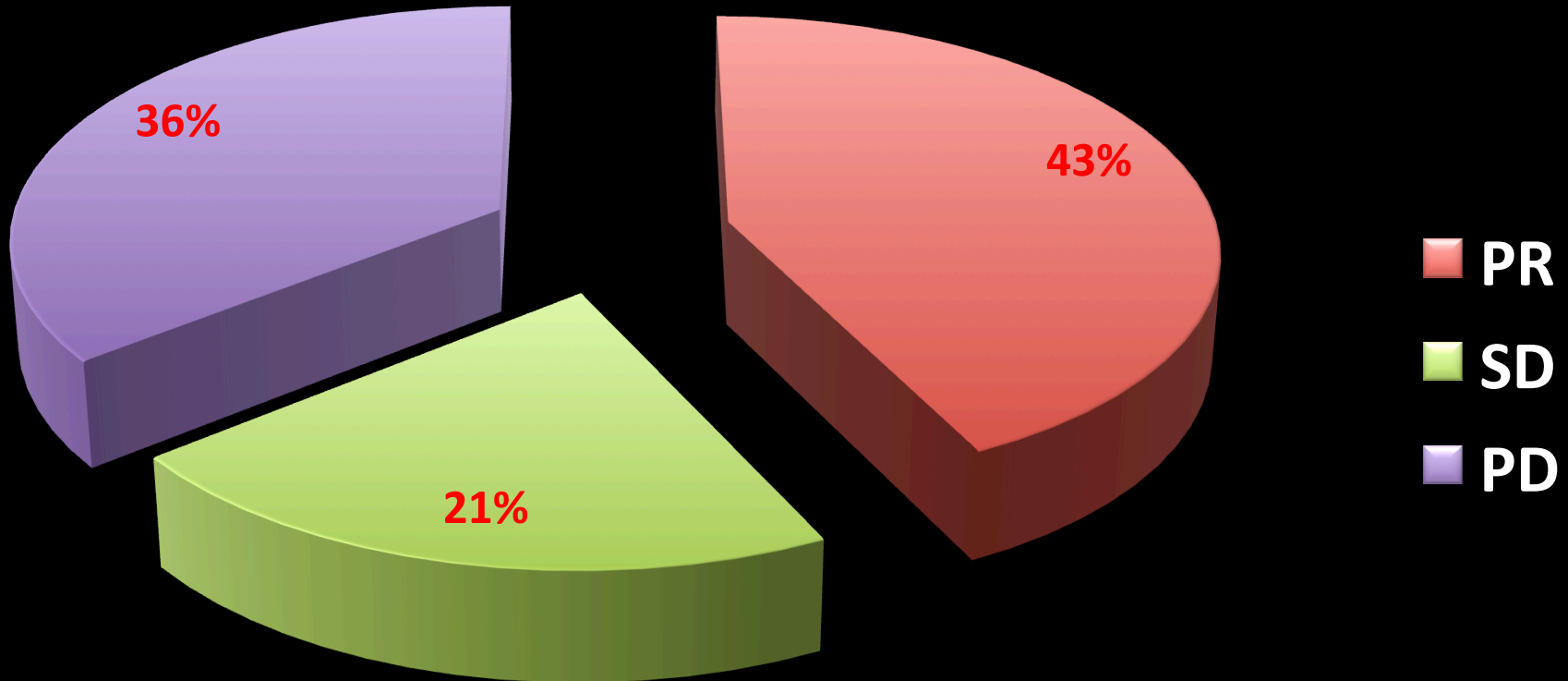
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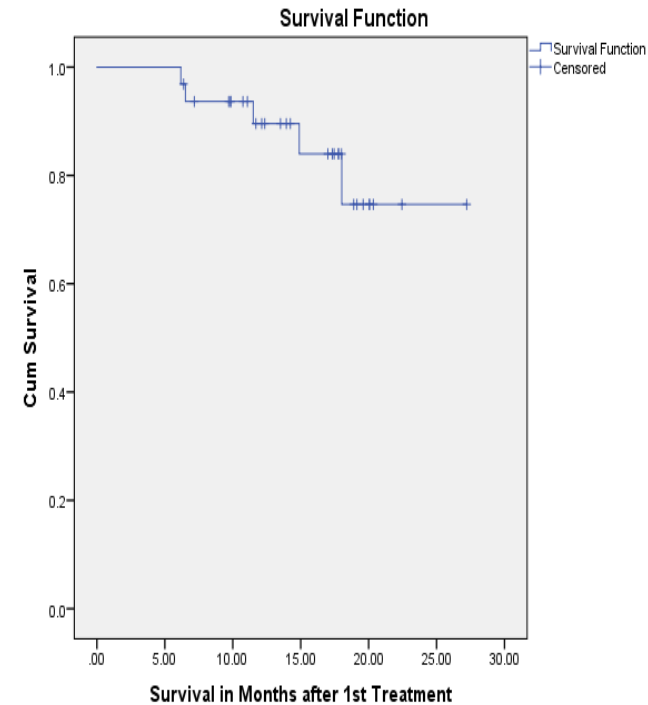
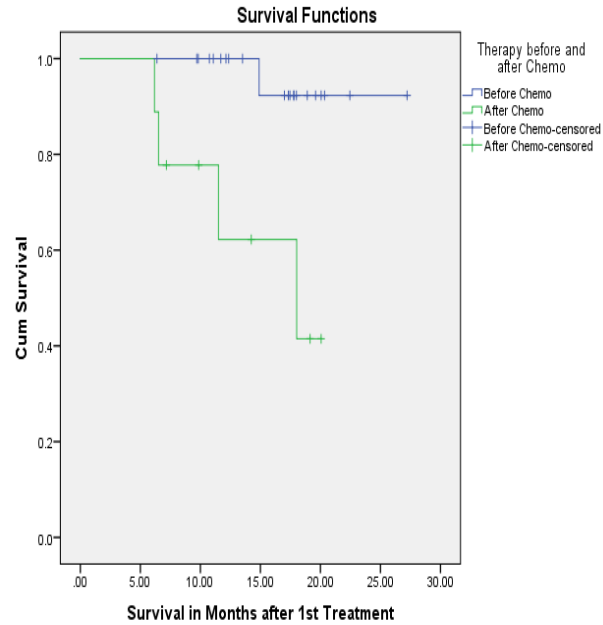
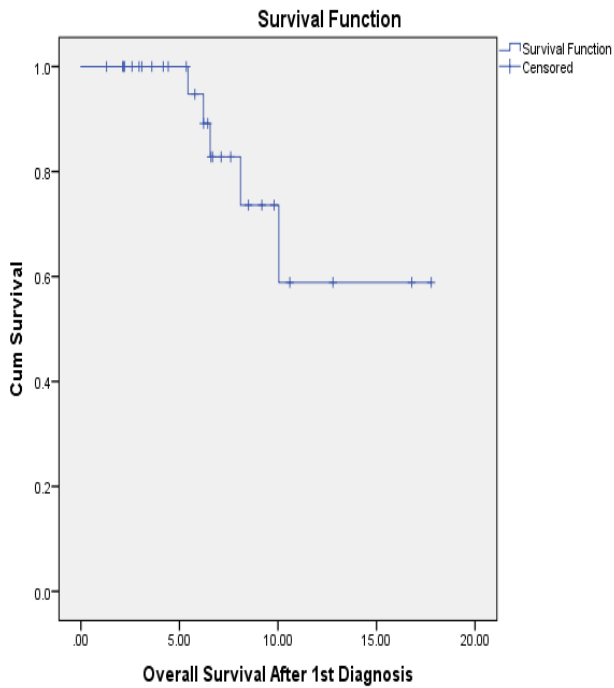


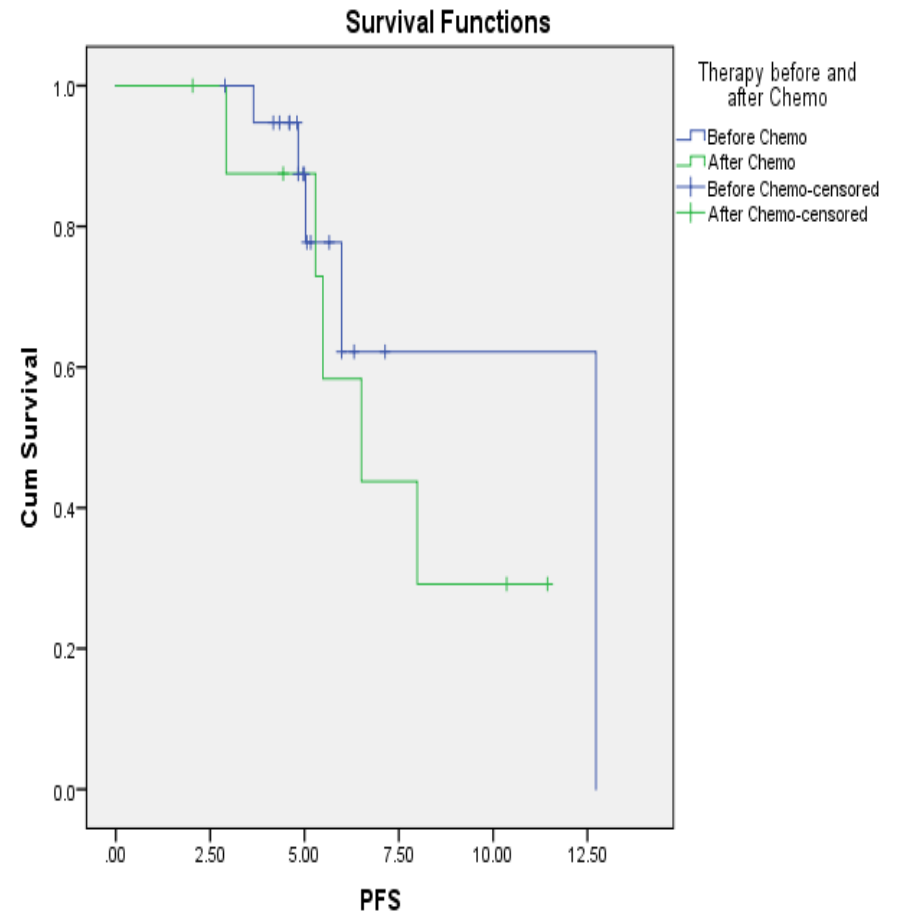
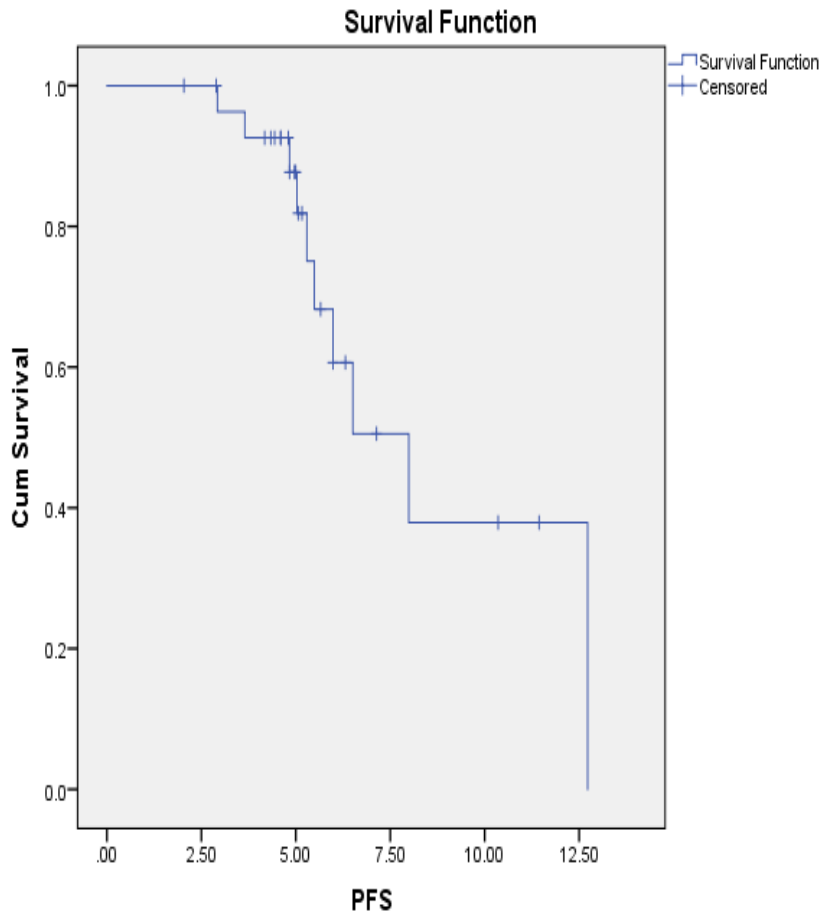
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Image Based Response after 2nd Cycle (N=28)

Lu-177 PSMA Therapy Charité Experience







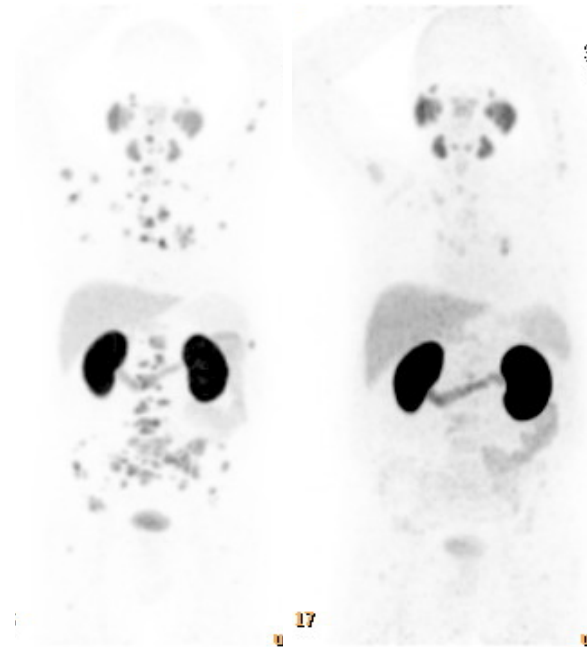
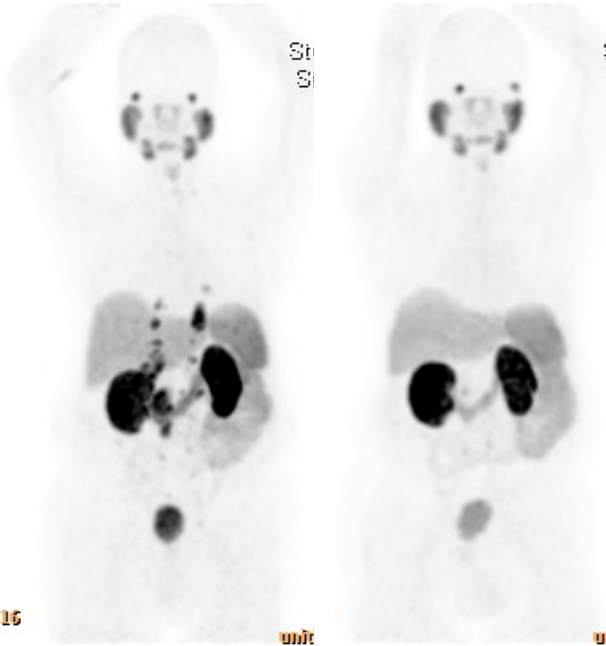
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09/2015 Pre
therapy PET

02/2016 post
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PSA
46.43

PSA 1.36

PSA 138.4

PSA 2.45

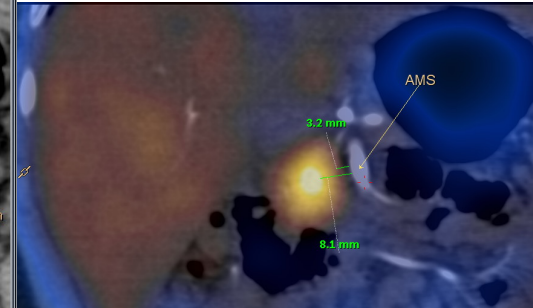
Other Areas of Theranostic Applications of Radionuclide Probes

- Radioguided Surgery
- Photodynamic Therapy (e.g. BetaCure EU Project)
- Drug Development

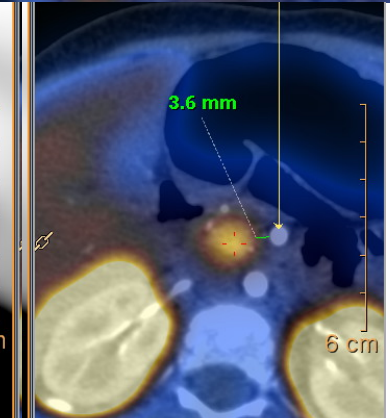
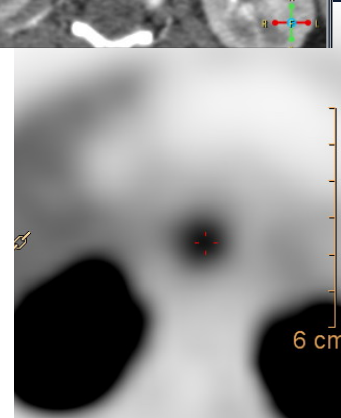
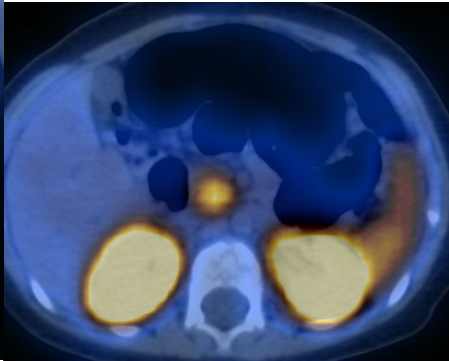
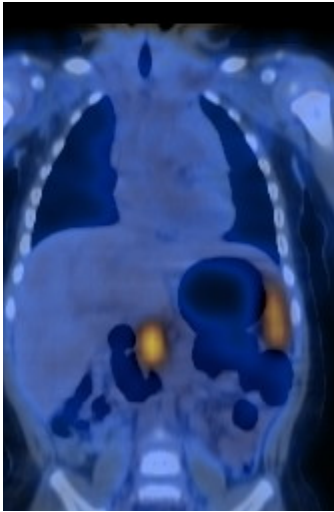
Radioguided Surgery In Congenital Hyperinsulinism Can Reduce The Surgery Time

- Life threatening
- Surgery for focal form only curative option
- Surgery because of small size and no definite visible changes in pancreas is time consuming and challenging needing 8-12 hrs

F-18 DOPA PET/CT



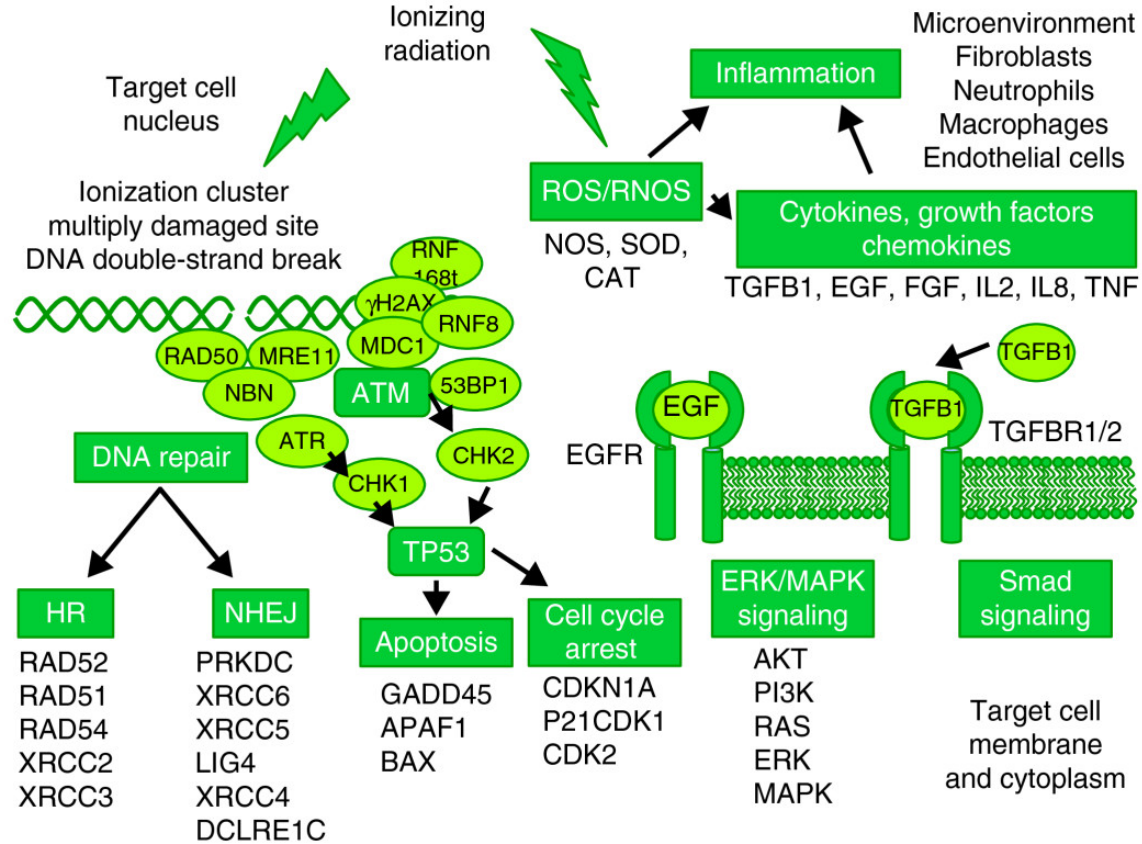
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Future

- Avoid tunnel view and open up for interdisciplinary approach combining several therapy options (cocktail)
- Combine genetic information to outsmart the evolved cancer cells from getting resistant
- Data mining using artificial neuronal networking (MIBG, NETTest)
- Think beyond.....

Summary of The Pathways and Mechanisms Involved in Cell and Tissue Response to Radiotherapy



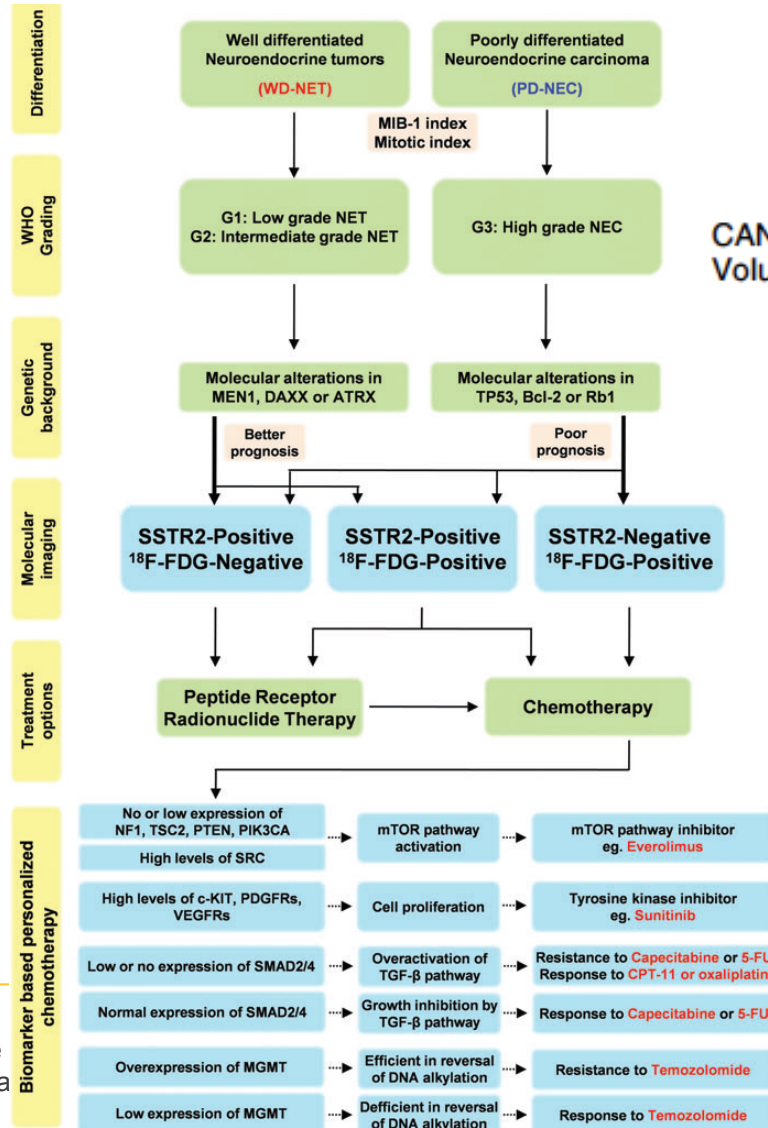
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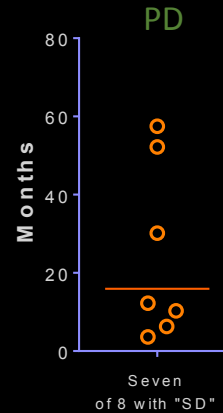
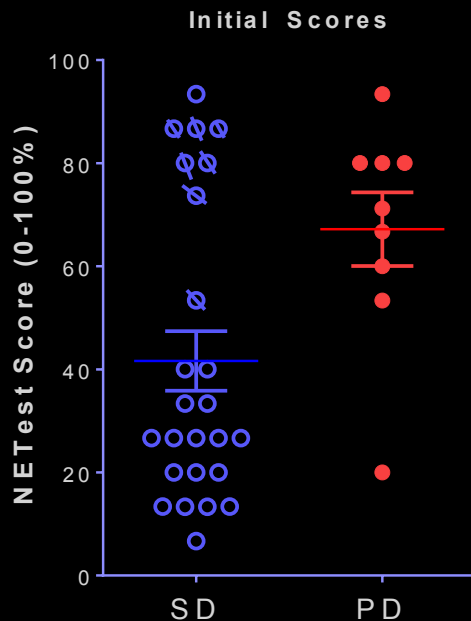
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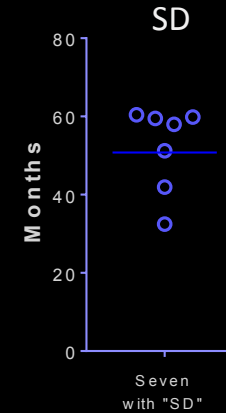
Long-term role of NETest scores

Stable to disease progression

Seven of eight SD with high disease activity developed disease progression



3.6-54 months
median 12.2 months

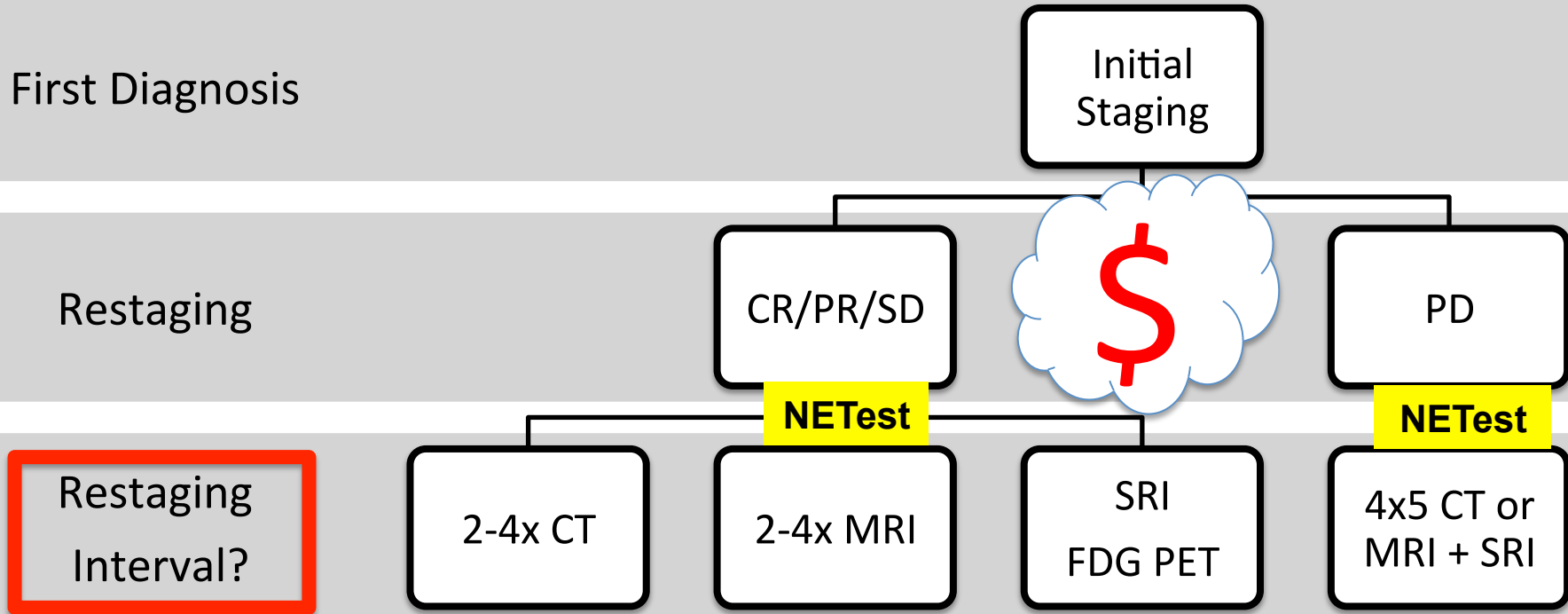


33-60 months
median 58 months

Elevated NETest activity can predict clinical status

Rough estimate of radiation burden and cost of follow-up of G1 and low grade G2 (Ki67 < 10%) NET

G1-G2 GEP NET PFS under standard therapy 18-40 months
 Radiation Exposure: worst case scenario i.e. PFS of 18 months (100-150mSv)
 Cost of Imaging alone: approximately 6.000 -10.000 Euro/ Year



A Delphic Consensus assessment: Imaging and Biomarkers in Neuroendocrine Tumor Disease Management

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Mathematics



Biology

Chemistry

Physics

From Theory To Theranostics: Connecting The Dots In The Firmaments Of Nobel Prizes

Vikas Prasad, Lisa Bodei, Mark Kidd, Irvin M Modlin

Physiology or Medicine:

- 1909:** Emil Theodor Kocher- Thyroid Physiology:
- 1946:** Hermann Joseph Muller- X-ray induced mutation
- 1972:** Gerald M. Edelman and Rodney R. Porter – chemical structure of antibodies
- 1977:** Rosalyn Yalow- Radioimmunoassay
- 1979:** Allan M Cormack and Godfrey N. Hounsfield- CT
- 1984:** Niels K. Jerne, Georges J.F. Köhler and César Milstein- Monoclonal Antibody
- 2003:** Lauterbur and Mansfield

Physics:

- 1901:** Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen
- 1903:** Antoine Henri Becquerel- discovery of spontaneous radioactivity
- 1921:** Albert Einstein-law of photoelectric effect
- 1922:** Niels Henrik David Bohr- investigation of the structure of atoms and of the radiation emanating from them
- 1936:** Carl David Anderson- discovery of the positron
- 1938:** Enrico Fermi-existence of new radioactive elements produced by neutron irradiation
- 1939:** Ernest Orlando Lawrence- Cyclotron
- 1952:** Bloch and Purcell: nuclear magnetic precision measurements
- 1992:** Georges Charpak- multiwire proportional chamber

Chemistry:

- 1908:** Ernest Rutherford- discovery of radioactive substances
- 1911:** Marie Curie- discovery of radium and polonium
- 1921:** Frederick Soddy- knowledge of chemistry of radioactive substance:
- 1935:** Frédéric Joliot and Irène Joliot-Curie- synthesis of new radioactive substance-
- 1943:** Geordec de Hevesy-Tracer principle
- 1944:** Otto Hahn- fission of heavy nuclei
- 1952:** Archer John Porter Martin and Richard Laurence Millington Synge- partition chromatography:
- 1997:** Jens C. Skou-Na-K ATPase
- 2012:** Robert J. Lefkowitz and Brian K. Kobilka- G- protein coupled receptors