



# IL MODERNO APPROCCIO RADIOTERAPICO AI TUMORI METASTATICI CEREBROSPINALI





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- *SRS alone for brain metastases*
- *How many metastases can be treated with SRS?*
- *Immunotherapy/targeted therapy for brain metastases*
- *Combining SRS with Immunotherapy/targeted agents*
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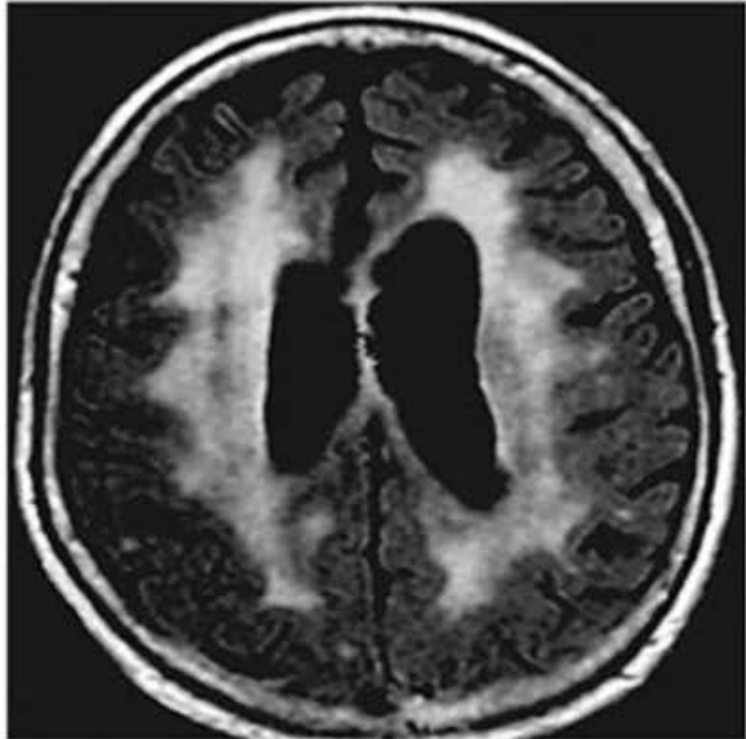
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## ✓ *Whole Brain Radiation Therapy*



### Late toxicity

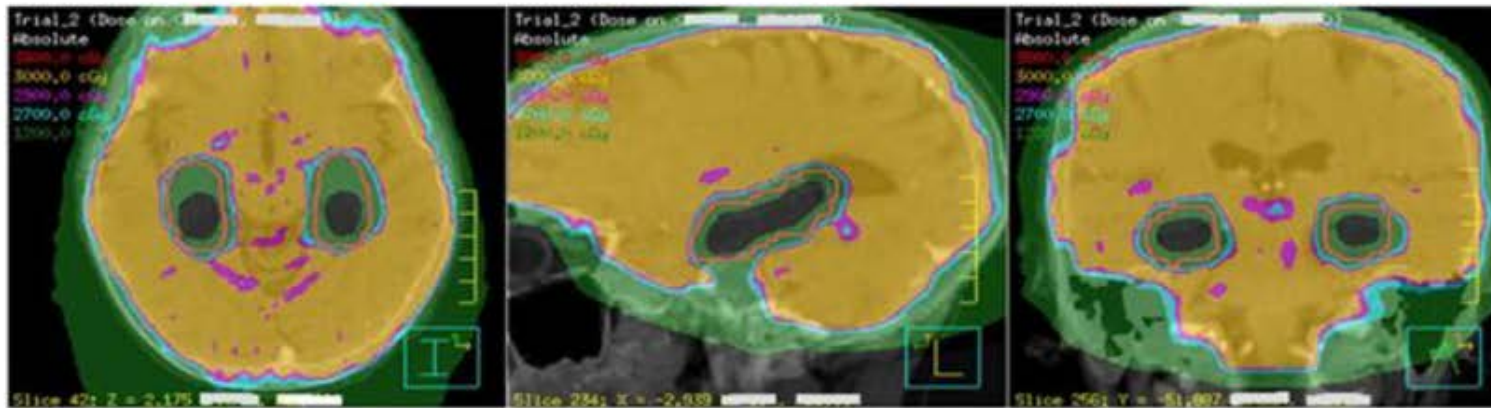
*Normal pressure  
hydrocephalus, causing  
cognitive, gait and bladder  
dysfunction*

*Neuroendocrine dysfunction*

*Cerebrovascular disease*

## RTOG 0933: HA-WBRT

- Conformal avoidance of the hippocampus using IMRT during whole brain radiotherapy (HA-WBRT) for brain metastases preserves memory function



Gondi, et al., *Radiother & Oncol* 2010, PMID: 20970214



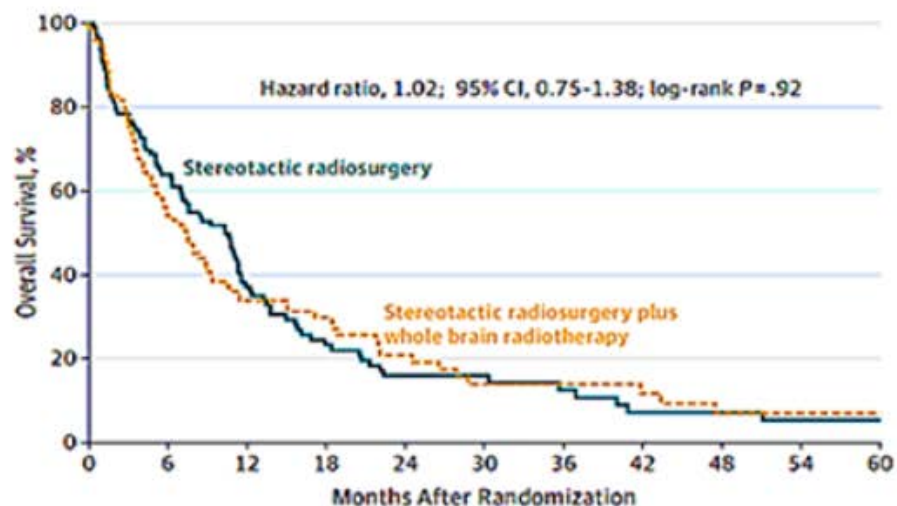
- ✓ *The addition of WBRT to SRS/Surgery has never been shown to not improve OS*

<i>Authors</i>	<i>Arms</i>	<i>mOS</i>	<i>P value</i>
Patchell, 1998	<i>Surgery</i>	9.9	0.39
	<i>Surgery + WBRT</i>	11.1	
Kocher, 2011	<i>SRS/Surgery</i>	10.9	0.89
	<i>SRS/Surgery + WBRT</i>	10.7	
Aoyama, 2006	<i>SRS</i>	8.0	0.42
	<i>SRS + WBRT</i>	7.5	
Chang, 2009	<i>SRS</i>	15.2	0.003
	<i>SRS + WBRT</i>	5.7	
Brown, 2016	<i>SRS</i>	10.4	0.92
	<i>SRS + WBRT</i>	7.4	



## Effect of Radiosurgery Alone vs Radiosurgery With Whole Brain Radiation Therapy on Cognitive Function in Patients With 1 to 3 Brain Metastases:

A Randomized Clinical Trial



111	64	35	19	13	10	7	4	4	2	2
102	50	28	22	13	8	8	5	3	1	1

✓ *NCCTG N0574*

Cognitive Test	SRS	SRS+WBRT	P-value
HVLT Total Recall	8.2%	30.4%	0.0043
HVLT Delayed Recall	19.7%	51.1%	0.0009
HVLT Recognition	22.6%	40.4%	0.0585
TMT Part A	16.7%	30.4%	0.1063
TMT Part B	19.0%	37.2%	0.0677
COWA	1.9%	18.6%	0.0098
Pegboard-Dominant	29.3%	47.7%	0.0656

Cognitive Test	SRS	SRS+WBRT	P-value
HVLT Total Recall	0.87	0.12	0.177
HVLT Delayed Recall	-0.05	-0.36	0.631
HVLT Recognition	0.35	-1.43	0.044
TMT Part A	0.33	-0.42	0.498
TMT Part B	1.1	0.01	0.397
COWA	0.34	-0.25	0.071
Pegboard-Dominant	-0.45	-6.46	0.114



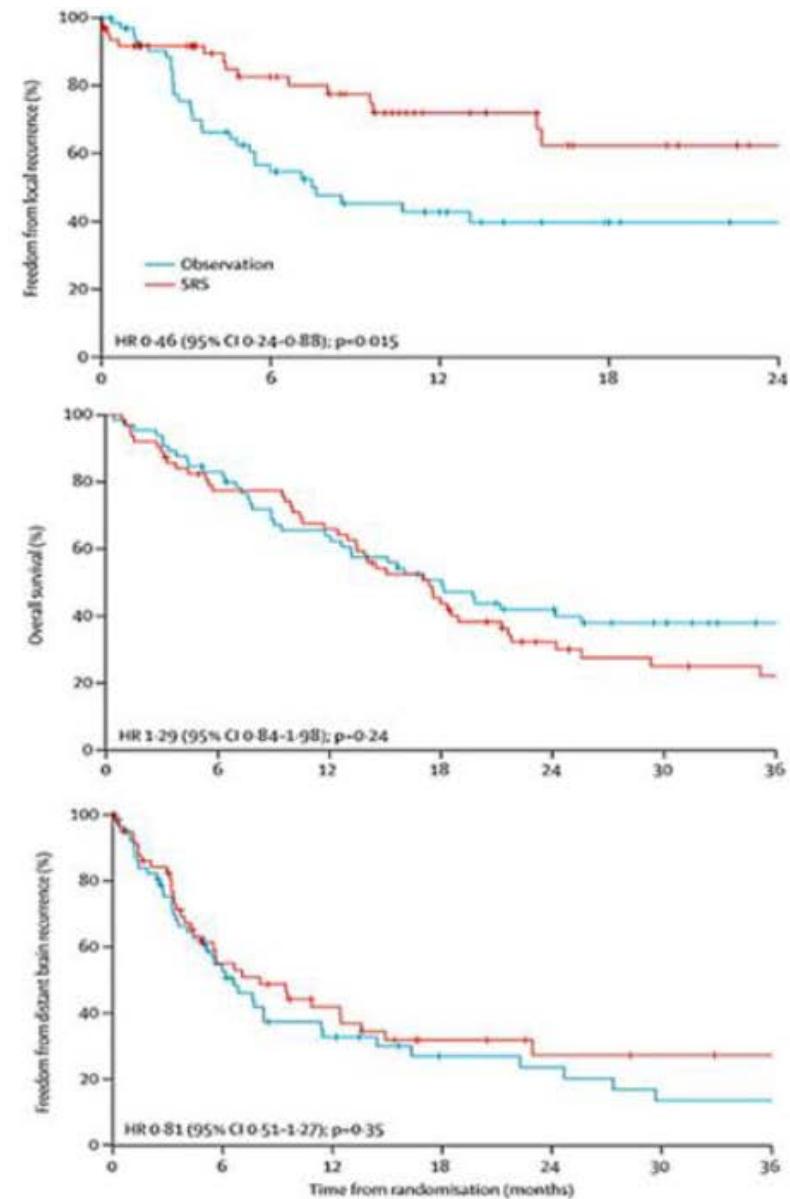
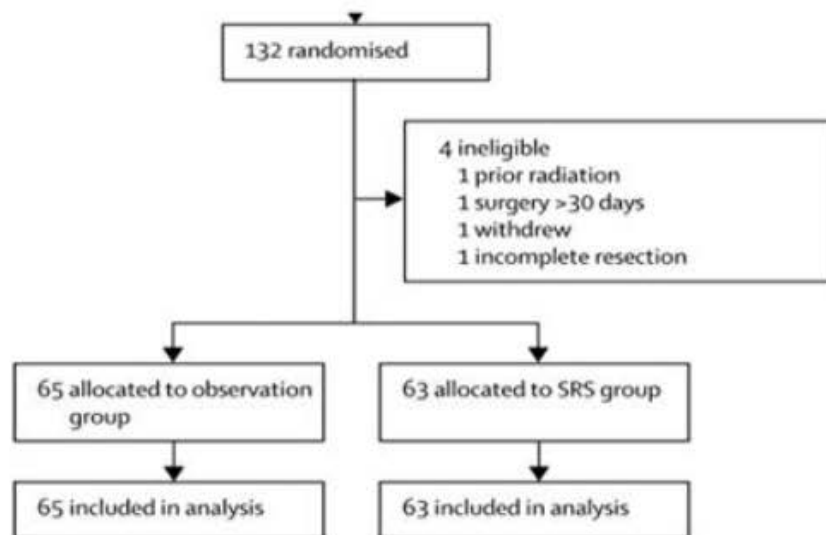
## *ASTRO Recommendations*

- *Don't routinely add adjuvant WBRT or SRS for limited brain metastases*
- *Randomized studies have demonstrated no OS benefit*
- *The addition of WBRT to SRS is associated with diminished cognitive function and worse-patient fatigue and QOL*
- *Surveillance and judicious salvage allows patients to enjoy the highest QOL without a detriment in functional status and OS*



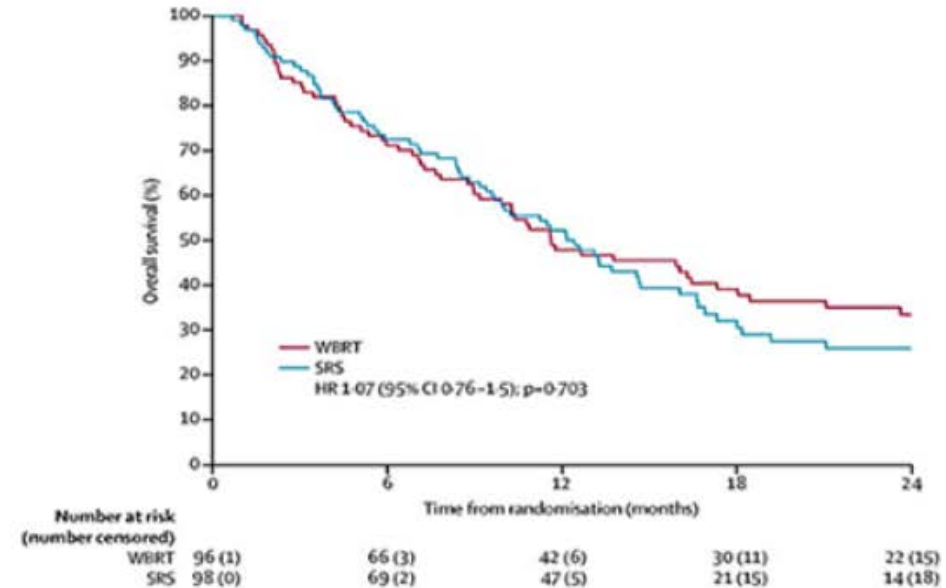
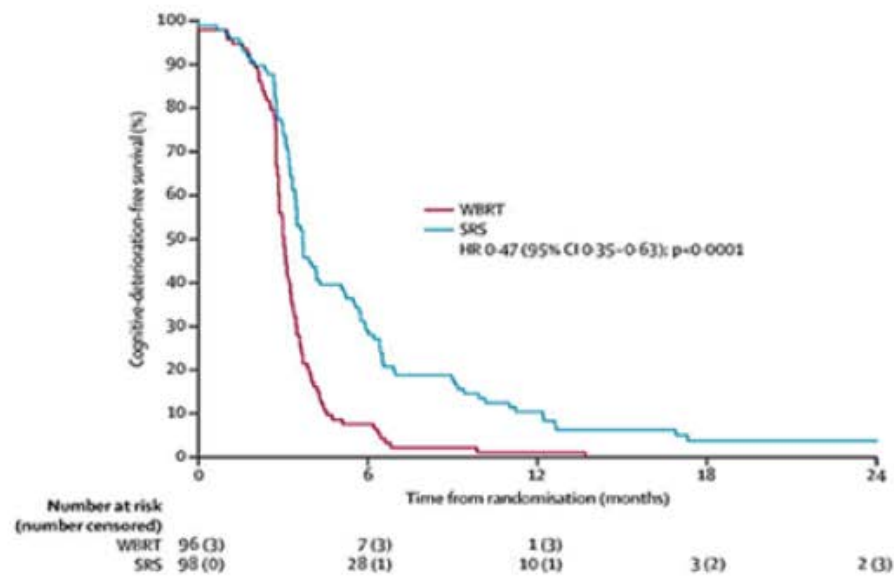


## Post-operative stereotactic radiosurgery versus observation for completely resected brain metastases: a single-centre, randomised, controlled, phase 3 trial





## Postoperative stereotactic radiosurgery compared with whole brain radiotherapy for resected metastatic brain disease (NCCTG N107C/CEC-3): a multicentre, randomised, controlled, phase 3 trial



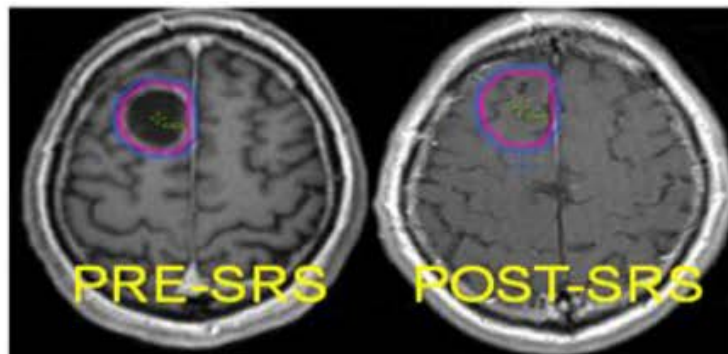
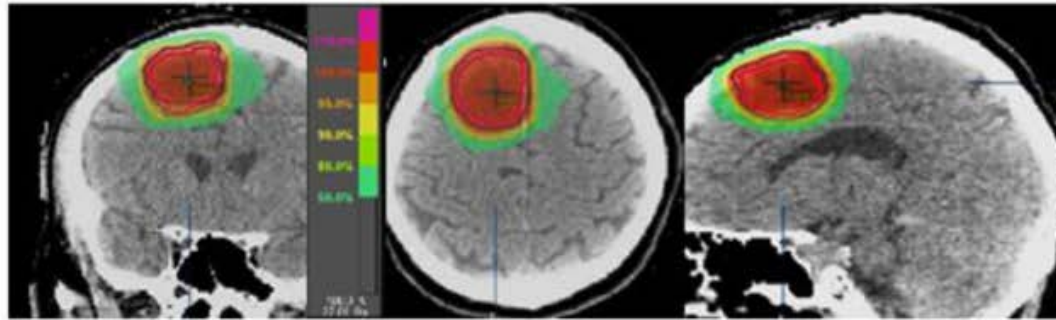


## Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Resected Brain Metastases: New Evidence Supports a Practice Shift, but Questions Remain

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- *Timing of SRS*
- *Which target delineation*
- *Which dose/fractionation*
- *Which histologies can benefit*
- *Post-SRS vs Pre-SRS*



## Multicenter Randomized Phase III study on brain metastases susceptible to surgical resection (> 21mm or < with edema unresponsive to medical therapy or with considerable mass effect).

- Diff. Leptomeningea and RN post SRS
- Better target definition
- Cell spilled prevention
- Better oxygenation
- Resection of irradiated tissue

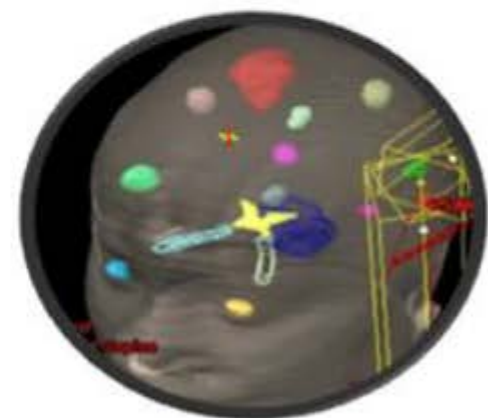
- Control arm: surgery + Fractional SRS
- Experimental arm: fractional SRS + surgery

Scheda di valutazione per partecipazione a studio randomizzato di fase III: radiocirurgia ipofrazionata preoperatoria vs radiocirurgia ipofrazionata postoperatoria in pazienti con BMs suscettibili di trattamento chirurgico.				
istituto e città				
1	N° di pazienti con BM operati all'anno			
2	I casi clinici vengono discussi collegialmente?	SI'	NO	
	Se sì, con che frequenza?	settimanale	quindicinale	altro (specificare)
3	Fate a tutti i pazienti una RM post-operatoria entro 48-72 ore?	SI'	NO	
4	Nel vostro centro sono eseguibili le seguenti indagini istopatologiche, biomolecolari ed immunohistochimiche sul campione di tessuto tumorale:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ematossilina Eosina <input type="checkbox"/> GFAP			
	<input type="checkbox"/> CD31 <input type="checkbox"/> NG2			
	<input type="checkbox"/> CD3+ <input type="checkbox"/> CD4+ <input type="checkbox"/> CD8+ <input type="checkbox"/> CD68+ <input type="checkbox"/> FOXP3 <input type="checkbox"/> PD-L1.			
	<input type="checkbox"/> BRAF <input type="checkbox"/> EGFR <input type="checkbox"/> KRAS <input type="checkbox"/> ALK			
	<input type="checkbox"/> KRAS <input type="checkbox"/> MSI <input type="checkbox"/> ER <input type="checkbox"/> PgR <input type="checkbox"/> HER-2			
	<input type="checkbox"/> ELISA su fluido cerebrospinale			
5	Nella pratica clinica del reparto viene eseguita la Radioterapia post-operatoria?	SI'	NO	
	Se la risposta alla domanda 5 è SI' che tipo di RT:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> SRS in singola seduta			
	<input type="checkbox"/> SRS ipofrazionata			
	<input type="checkbox"/> WBRT			
6	E' presente presso il vostro centro una NeuroRadiologia?	SI'	NO	
7	E' pratica clinica eseguire presso il vostro centro la RM di simulazione oltre alla TC?	SI'	NO	
8	Viene effettuata una valutazione neuropsicologica del paziente?	SI'	NO	
	Se sì, che tipo di test utilizzate?	nome		
9	E' presente presso il vostro centro un data Manager o una persona che si occupa della gestione dei dati degli studi di ricerca?	SI'	NO	



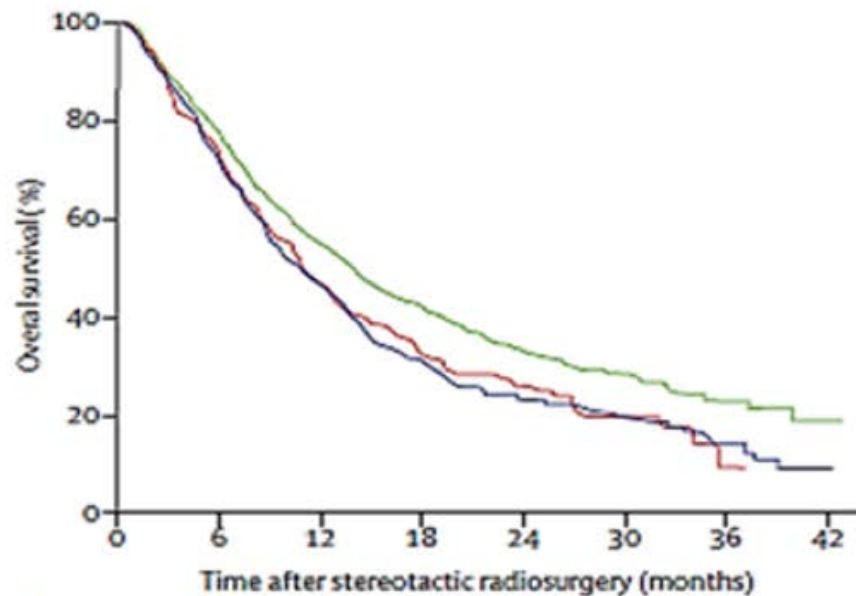
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Group	Median overall survival, months (95% CI)	HR (95% CI)	pvalue
1 tumour	13.9 (12.0-15.6)	0.76 (0.66-0.88)	0.0004
2-4 tumours	10.8 (9.4-12.4)	Reference	
5-10 tumours	10.8 (9.1-12.7)	0.97 (0.81-1.18)	0.78



Number at risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42
1 tumour	455	234	97	22				
2-4 tumours	531	215	61	16				
5-10 tumours	208	84	31	1				

## A multi-institutional prospective observational study

-Single fraction 20-22 Gy

-Cumulative volume <math>V\_{10}</math> = 15mL

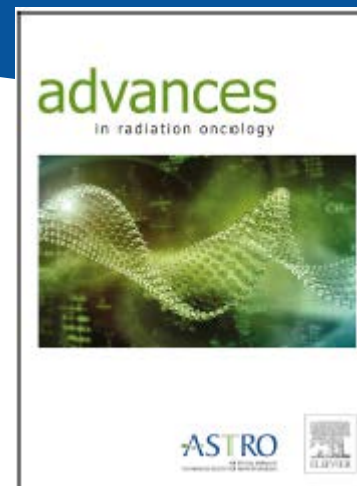
-Resume Several randomized clinical Trials

-1194 patients (455 1 mts, 531 2-4 mts, 208 5-10 mts).

-OS non inferior between 1-4/5-10

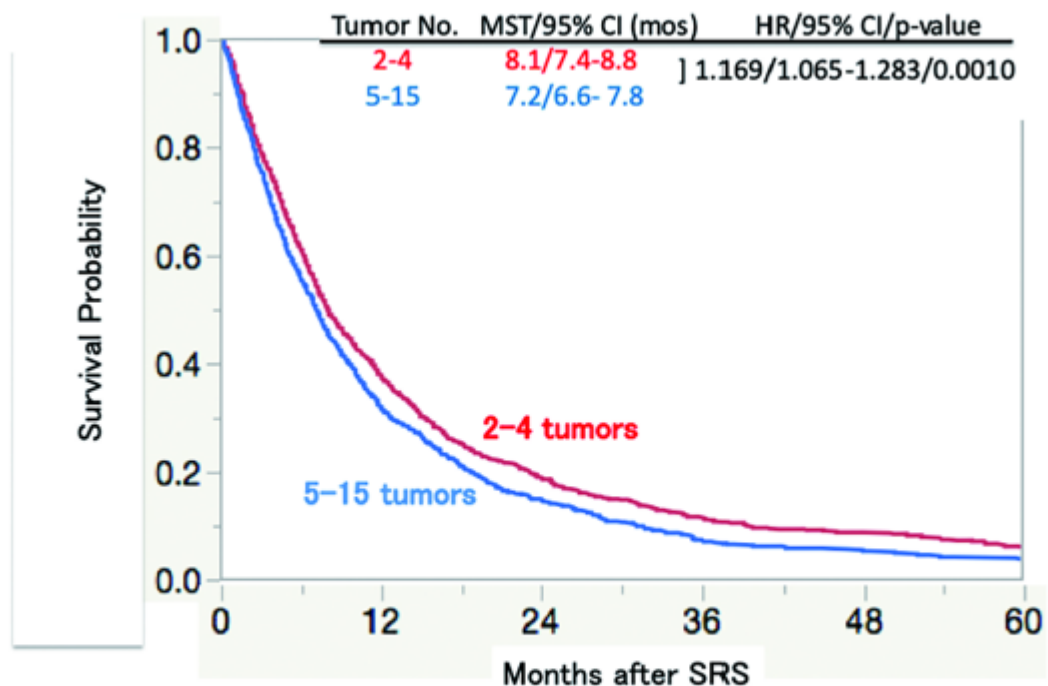
**BUT**

-1-4 BMs fewer neurocognitive sequelae and improved quality of life with SRS



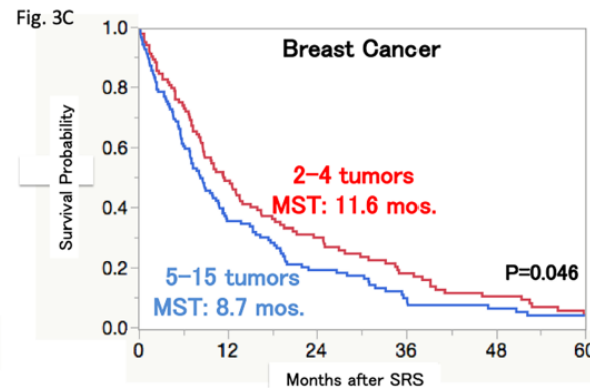
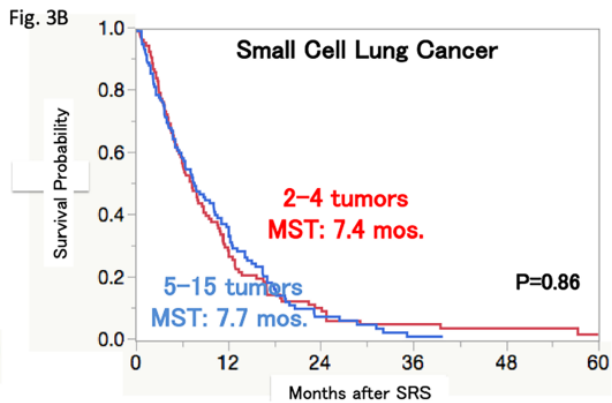
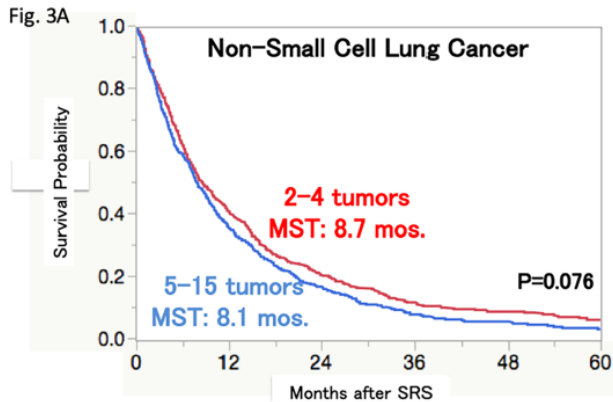
## A Cohort Study of Stereotactic Radiosurgery Results for Patients with 5-15 versus 2-4 Brain Metastatic Tumors

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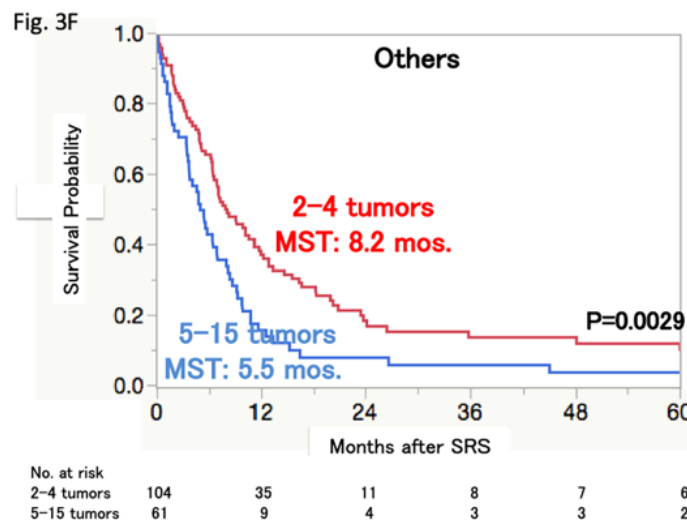
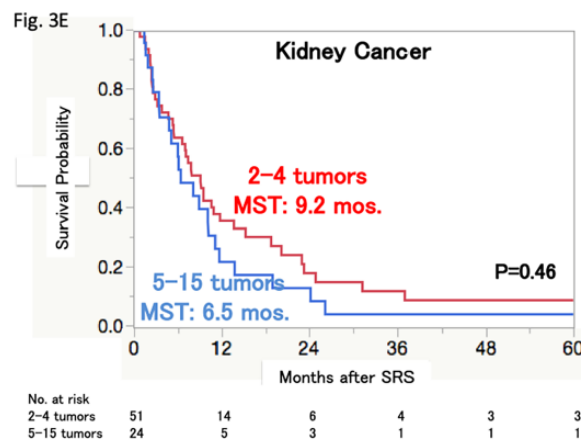
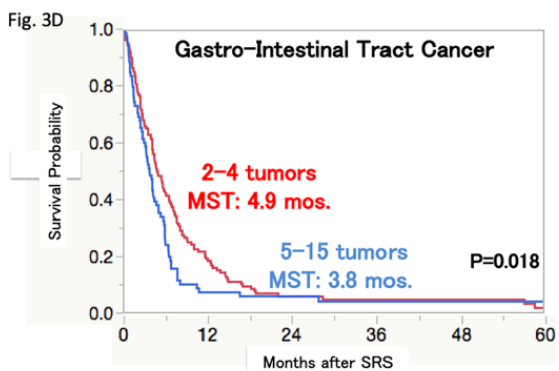


No. at risk	0	12	24	36	48	60
2-4 tumors	1150	389	167	90	59	37
5-15 tumors	939	260	105	43	29	18

Compared SRS results for 2-4 vs 5-15 BMs based on 1254 patients with 2-4 tumors and 939 with 5-15 BMs



Treatment results for patients with 5-10 BMs were not inferior to those for patients with 2-4 BMs, and, notably, found that there was no significant difference in long-term neurocognitive function (NCF) maintenance between the two tumor number groups (GPA prognostic index)







## NHS Criteria for commissioning

Patients meeting all of the following criteria will be routinely funded for SRS/SRS:

- MDT discussion
- Systemic disease status controllable/new diagnosis/no extra cranial disease
- Prognosis > 6 months
- PS ECOG  $\leq 2$
- Total PTV  $\leq 20\text{cc}$
- SRS New BM (> 3 months after)
- RE-RT (> 6 months)

## AIM

- The aim of this report is to evaluate the utility of the NHSE selection criteria by comparing outcomes with previously published data.
- We have also sought to identify prognostic factors that may help to further define patient subgroups that may specifically or particularly benefit from radiosurgery for brain metastases.

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## *Treatment's preparation*

- CT scan with thermoplastic mask: Axial unenhanced images were acquired at 1.5mm slice-thickness
- The MRI scan images were acquired without immobilisation in the mask, using 1mm slices with intravenous gadolinium contrast.
- All patients underwent SRS/SRT using CyberKnife robotic radiosurgery (Eclipse system) or gantry-based Linac radiosurgery (on Elements System)

## *Planning procedu*

- The dose was prescribed to each PTV volume separately, and the planning team would aim to covered at least 98% of the volume by the 50% isodose at least
- The prescribed doses vary between 16-24Gy for a single fraction of treatment and between 21-25Gy for 3-5 fractions



**TABLE 1. STANDARD VOLUME-BASED  
PRESCRIPTION DOSES (SHAW 2000)**

PTV volume	Maximum Prescription dose	No. of fractions
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≤ 4 cm <sup>3</sup>	24Gy	1#
≤ 8 cm <sup>3</sup>	20Gy	1#
> 8 cm <sup>3</sup> and ≤ 14 cm <sup>3</sup>	18Gy	1#

**In conjunction with immediate (within 4-6 weeks) whole brain radiotherapy:**

≤ 1 cm <sup>3</sup>	20Gy	1#
≤ 4 cm <sup>3</sup>	18Gy	1#
> 4 cm <sup>3</sup> and ≤ 14cm <sup>3</sup>	16Gy	1#

**Summary of dose constraints for organ at risk (Hanna 2018) (Susan 2016 (Apr)) (Mayo 2010) (Lambrecht 128(2018))**

**Single fraction radiosurgery (1#)**

OARs	Dmax Constraint*	Volume constraint
Optic Chiasm	Ideally < 10Gy Acceptable < 12Gy	V8Gy ≤ 0.1cc
Optic Nerve	Ideally < 10Gy Acceptable < 12Gy	V8Gy ≤ 0.1cc
Retina	5Gy	
Lens	2Gy	
Cochlea	9Gy	4Gy D mean for hearing preservation
Facial Nerve	16Gy	
Trigeminal Nerve	20Gy	
Cranial Nerve 3,4,6	26Gy	
Cranial Nerve 9,10,11	12Gy	
Brainstem**	Ideally < 10Gy Acceptable < 12.5Gy	V10 ≤ 0.5cc
Normal brain (no PTV included)	Aim V10Gy ≤ 10cc Acceptable V12Gy ≤ 10cc	V5Gy ≤ 50%

**Three fractions radiosurgery (3#)**

OARs	Dmax Constraint	Volume constraint
Optic Chiasm	Ideally < 15Gy Acceptable < 17.4Gy	V15.3Gy ≤ 0.1cc
Optic Nerve	Ideally < 15Gy Acceptable < 17.4Gy	V15.3Gy ≤ 0.1cc
Cochlea	17.1Gy	6Gy D mean for hearing preservation
Facial Nerve	26Gy	
Trigeminal Nerve	26Gy	
Brainstem**	Ideally < 18Gy Acceptable < 23.1Gy	
Normal brain (no PTV included)	V19.5Gy ≤ 10cc	V5Gy ≤ 50%

\*Dmax to point dose implies dose to volume < 0.035cc\*\* Where PTV is not inside the brainstem



<b>Table 1. Patient characteristics</b>			
<b>No of patients</b>	<b>386</b>		
May 2016-Sept 2018			
<b>Gender</b>	Male 166 (43%)	Female 220 (57%)	
<b>Age</b>	Median: 63 years	M 67 ys (range 21-89)	F 60 ys (28-86)
<b>Karnowski Performance Status (KPS)</b>	100	48 pts (13.8%)	
348 pts analysed	90	155 pts (44.6%)	
	80	92 pts (26.4%)	
	70	53 pts (15.2%)	
<b>Status extra-cranial disease</b>	Controllable	296 pts (76.7%)	
	No extracranial disease	66 pts (17.1%)	
	New diagnoses	24 pts (6.2%)	
<b>Treatment characteristics</b>			
<b>Number of fractions</b>	<b>Single</b> (293 pts – 75.9%)	<b>Three</b> (93 – 24.1%)	
<b>Total Dose</b>	16Gy – 19 Gy (24 pts-8.2%)	20-23 Gy (7 pts-7.5%)	
	20Gy – 24 Gy (269pts – 91.8%)	24 Gy (84 pts-90.3%)	
		27 Gy (2 pts – 2.1%)	

<b>Extra-cranial disease (ECD)</b>					
<b>Controllable</b>	296	12.62 (9.54-15.7)	0.012	2.24	0.003
<b>New diagnosis</b>	24	12.82 (8.31-17.33)		2.01	0.086
<b>No ECD</b>	66	NR		-	0.013
<b>Volume category</b>					
<b>0-4cc</b>	207	19.86	<0.0001	-	0.284
<b>4-8cc</b>	100	10.26 (5.93-14.58)		1.33	0.155
<b>&gt;8cc</b>	79	10.88 (7.67-14.09)		1.38	0.22
<b>Number of met</b>					
<b>1</b>	141	NR	0.008	-	0.003
<b>2-4</b>	165	11.74 (9.48-13.99)		1.75	0.002
<b>&gt;5</b>	80	17.95 (9.86-26.05)		1.1	0.69
<b>Number of fraction</b>					
<b>1#</b>	293	16.011 (11.88-20.14)	0.055		0.99
<b>3#</b>	93	10.88 (7.82-13.94)			

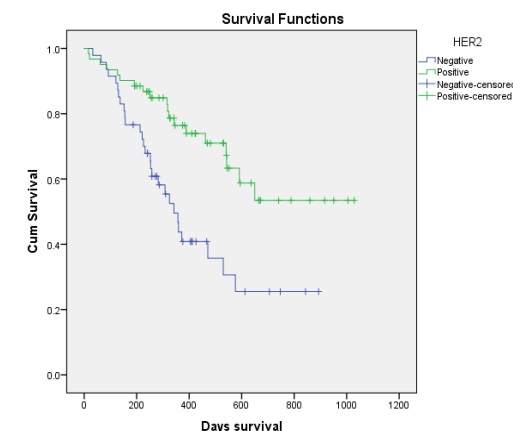
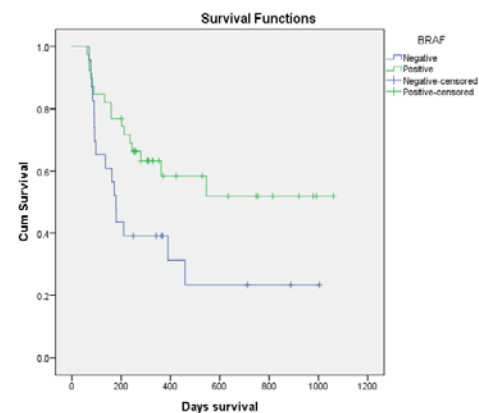
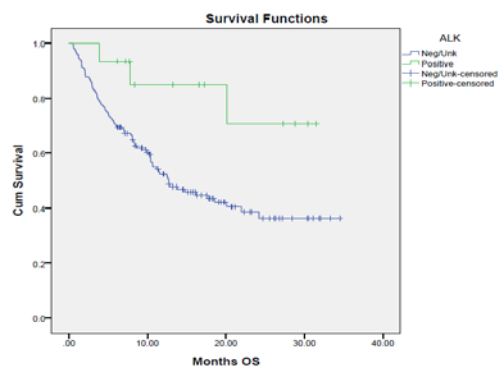


# OS & Primary tumour histology

Table 4. Univariate and Multivariate analysis of OS according to the primary tumour.

	No pts	No events (death)	Median OS (95%CI)	Univar anal. (P value)	Multivar anal. (P value)	HR (95% CI)
All	386	196	15.19 (12.0-18.38)	0.012	0.002	0.51 (0.34-0.78)
Breast	90	37	19.43 (12.86-26.0)			
Lung	162	82	14.56 (8.1-21.02)			
Melanoma	49	23	15.09 (3.57-26.6)			
Others	85	54	9.5 (6.48-12.52)			

	n	Overall survival			
		Median (months)	6 months (%)	12 months (%)	24 months (%)
All	386	15.2	72.5	55.1	38.4
Breast*	90	19.7	84.4	63.9	43.7
HER2 +ve	55	NR	89.1	73.7	51.4
HER2 -ve	32	10.8	75.0	41.9	21.0
Lung*	162	14.8	72.2	55.3	41.4
ALK +ve	15	NR	93.3	84.8	70.7
EGFR +ve	20	20.1	84.4	66.3	48.3
PDL1 +ve	54	22.0	68.5	59.8	45.8
Melanoma*	49	15.3	71.4	59.2	43.8
BRAF +ve	27	NR	81.5	66.7	55.6
BRAF WT	15	13.0	60.0	53.3	40.0



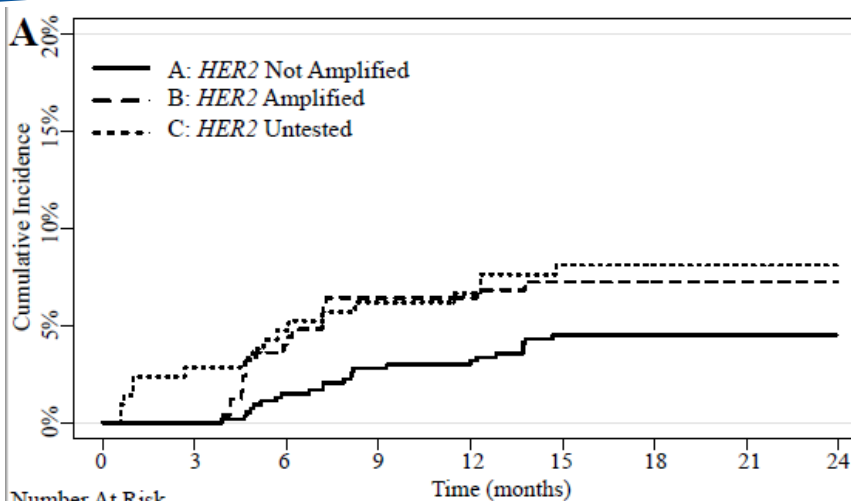


## Association between Radiation Necrosis and Tumor Biology following Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Brain Metastasis

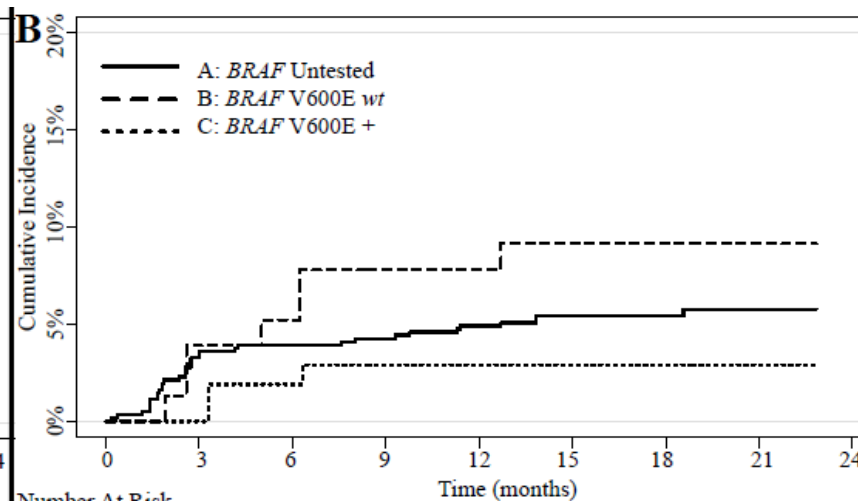
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Characteristic	Cohort		P-Value
	Radiation Necrosis	Control	
<b>NSCLC Histology</b>			0.01
Adenocarcinoma	83 (76)	447 (61)	
Squamous Cell	7 (6)	90 (12)	
Mixed/Other	19 (18)	190 (26)	
<b>NSCLC Molecular Status</b>			<0.01
EGFR- / ALK-	13 (12)	91 (13)	
EGFR+ / ALK-	9 (8)	26 (4)	
EGFR- / ALK+	6 (6)	5 (1)	
Unknown	81 (74)	605 (83)	
<b>Breast Receptor Status</b>			
ER+	24 (49)	74 (31)	<0.01
PR+	14 (29)	42 (17)	0.02
HER2-amplified	17 (35)	40 (17)	<0.01
Triple Negative	19 (39)	83 (34)	0.43
<b>Melanoma BRAF Status</b>			0.87
BRAF V600+	2 (7)	17 (10)	
BRAF V600 wt	4 (15)	21 (13)	
Unknown	21 (78)	129 (77)	

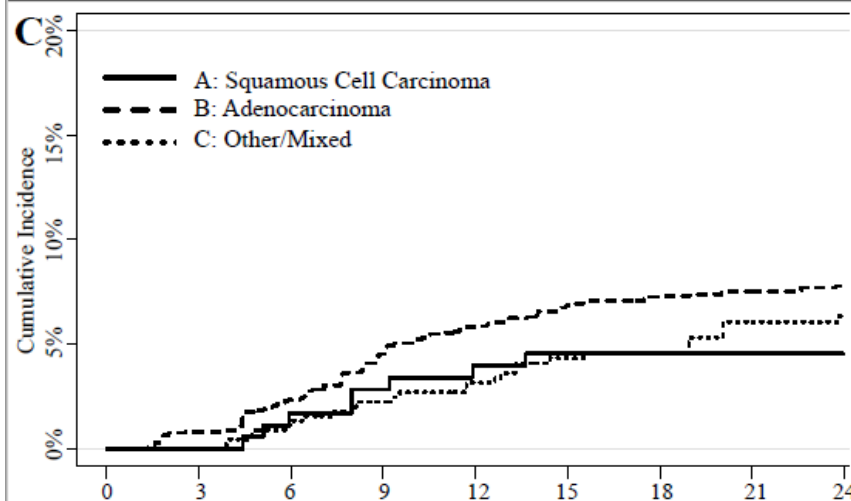




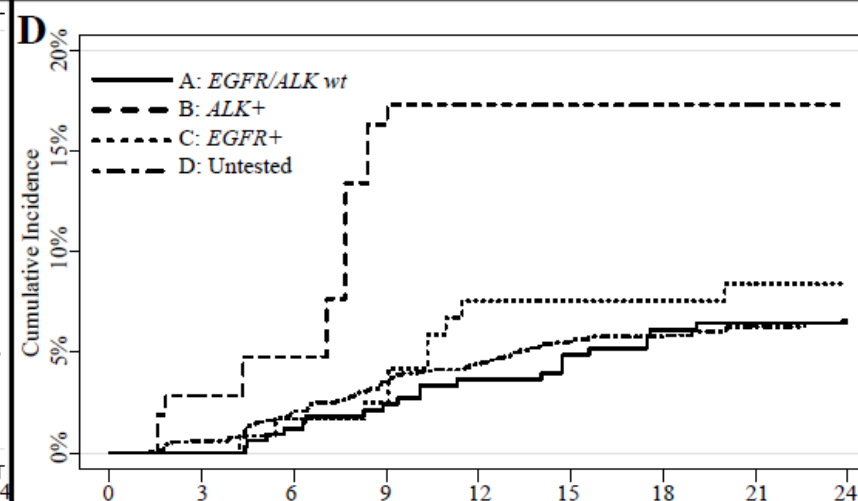
Number At Risk		Time (months)								
		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
A:	543	522	467	435	411	350	327	261	216	
B:	249	245	226	211	184	157	144	132	123	
C:	223	185	162	150	127	101	72	61	55	



Number At Risk		Time (months)								
		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
A:	614	520	385	278	195	163	132	114	94	
B:	77	57	37	24	21	18	18	17	8	
C:	105	105	65	63	39	33	21	8	8	



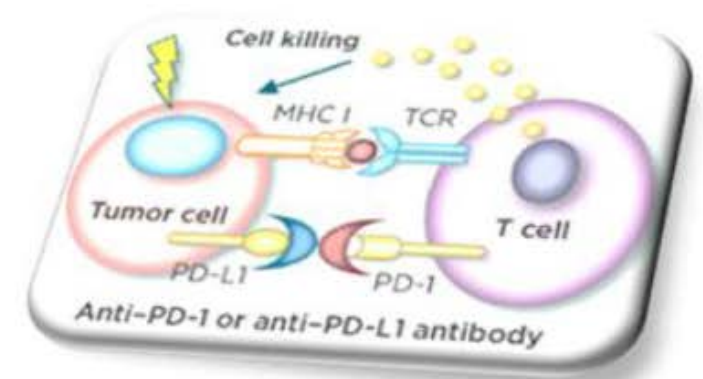
Number At Risk		Time (months)								
		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
A:	186	157	103	75	61	51	27	21	19	
B:	1608	1512	1324	1144	987	785	726	614	468	
C:	482	416	308	240	179	133	98	66	52	



Number At Risk		Time (months)								
		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
A:	335	314	273	239	214	159	150	113	90	
B:	105	102	99	86	80	80	64	51	51	
C:	119	114	110	103	92	88	88	85	65	
D:	1713	1555	1253	1031	841	642	549	452	353	

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## ✓ *Outline*

- *SRS alone for brain metastases*
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## BRAF and SRS

	# concurrent BRAF/RS	Results
Marseille	20	No increased risk
Emory	15	symptomatic radiation necrosis was more frequent in the BRAF inhibitor group (28.2 vs. 11.1% at 1 year, P <0.001 )
Utah	14	1-year rates of freedom from intratumoral hemorrhage were 39.3% and 77.0%
Moffitt	24	No grade 3 or greater toxicity
UVA	17	"acceptable safety profile"
UCSF	Phase II trial NCT01721603	Trial ongoing

Series with at least ten patients are mixed regarding whether concurrent BRAF agents increase risk of toxicity

Gaudy-Marqueste et al, *Annals of Oncology*, 25(10), 2086–2091

Patel et al, *Radium Society 2015 (P0011)* and *Melanoma Res.* 2016 August ; 26(4): 387–394.

Ly et al, *J Neurosurg* 123:395–401, 2015

Ahmed et al, *J Neurooncol* (2015) 122:121–126

\*Anker et al, *IJROBP* 95(2):632-646, 2016. (ECOG)



Authors	Type of study	Patients	treatment	CNS- PFS	OS	Toxicity
Ahmed, 2016	Retrospective	21	Pembro/Nivo plus RT	6-month 61%, 12-month 38%	6-month 81%, 12-month 66%	0
Parakh, 2017				<b>6-months PFS</b>	<b>12-month OS</b>	0
Anderson , 2017						NR
Goldberg, 2016			<b>SRS plus ICI</b>	<b>60-80%</b>	<b>65-80%<sup>oo</sup></b>	0
Chen, 2018			<b>pembro/Nivo alone</b>	<b>30-40%</b>	<b>50-60%</b>	12%
Gonzales, 2016						NR
Cowey, 2018						NR
Nardin, 2018			<sup>oo</sup> cocurrent >75%, nonconcurrent 60-75%			6.8%
Qian, 2016						NR
				NR	non-concurrent 9 months	NR
Patel 2015	Retrospective	44	IPI plus SRS	12-month CNScr71.4%	12-month OS 37.1% median OS 12.4 months	NR
Kiess, 2015	Retrospective	46	IPI plus SRS	NR	12-month OS 60%	17.4%
Queirolo, 2014	Retrospective	146	IPI	CNScr 27%	4.3 months	6%

<sup>\*</sup>w ithin 6 months; <sup>\*</sup>conc omltant, w ithin 4 w eeks; <sup>\*</sup>Pts w ith symptomatic BM had shorter PFS than those w ithout symptoms (2.7 vs 7.4 months, P=0.035)



## Brain metastases from non-small cell lung cancer with EGFR or ALK mutations: A systematic review and meta-analysis of multidisciplinary approaches



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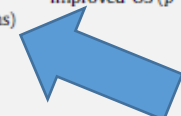
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	TKI Alone	RT Alone (WBRT/SRS)	Vs TKI + SRS
OS	23,3	32,2	28,3
PFS	++	+	++



Robin, et al. (2018)*	Osimertinib, ceritinib, alectinib, brigatinib, and lorlatinib	35 patients ALK +: 19 patients EGFR +: 16 patients All received SRS 28 - no prior WBRT 6 - WBRT before SRS 1- WBRT after SRS 20 - TKI during treatment course	53 (24-79)	N/A	N/A	6 (4-26)	4.1 years	Median freedom from CNS progression: 7.8 months, followed by 6.8 months, followed by 3.2 months 5-year freedom from WBRT (FPWBRT): 97%	Median OS: 3 years ALK + patients: 4.2 years EGFR + patients: 2.4 years 5-year freedom from neurologic mortality: 84%	7/516 lesions with RN (1.4%) and 4/35 patients (11.4%) occurring at a median of 9.9 months (range: 4.6-17.8 months)	Receipt of CNS-active TKIs at diagnosis associated with improved OS ( $p < 0.01$ )
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Study	TKI	n (Patients)	Median Age (range)	Median GTV/PTV	Treatment Planning	Number of BM (range)	Median Follow-up (range)	CNS-PFS (95% CI)	OS (95% CI)	Toxicities	Additional Notes/Comments
Doherty, et al. (2017)*	EGFR: Erlotinib or gefitinib afatinib osimertinib or rocclitinib ALK: crizotinib and ceritinib	184 EGFR + and ALK +: 163 WBRT and TKI: 98 TKI: 16 WBRT, surgery, SRS, and TKI: 1 WBRT and SRS: 5 SRS and TKI: 37 TKI alone: 20	59 (29-86)	N/A	SRS: 15-21 Gy depending on GTV WBRT: 30 Gy/10 fractions or 20 Gy/5 fractions	One: 46 2-4: 48 >4: 82 SRS: 94% with 1-4 WBRT: 61% with >4	N/A	Median time to intracranial progression WBRT + TKI: 50.5 months ( $p = 0.0038$ ) SRS + TKI: 12 months TKI alone: 15 months EGFR +: Significant trend maintained as above ( $p = 0.0064$ ) ALK +: NS	Median OS: WBRT + TKI: 21.6 months SRS + TKI: 23.9 months TKI alone: 22.6 months No association on MVA of first-line treatment on OS	N/A	
Wang, et al. (2018)*	Icotinib, erlotinib or gefitinib osimertinib	45 all EGFR + Upfront RT (interval between diagnosis and RT of <3 months): 30 Deferred RT for chemotherapy or TKI: 15	46 (58-70)	N/A	WBRT: 30 Gy/10 fractions SRS: N/A	One: 14 Two: 5 >2: 26	N/A	Median intracranial PFS: 17.7 months (12.4-23)	Median OS: 28 months (17.3-38.7) Upfront RT: 26.5 months Upfront TKI: 28 months	N/A	
Xie, et al. (2018)	Osemertinib	40 all EGFR + treated with osemertinib Progressing BMs with TKI only (Group A): 11 Progressing BMs with TKI and SRS (Group B): 9 Stable BMs with TKI only (Group C): 20	63 (32-81)	Median GTV: Group A: 9 cc (3-25 cc) Group B: 11 cc (4-30 cc)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Median intracranial PFS: 8.8 months (6.2-12.1) Group A: 8.8 months (4.3-13.4) Group B: Not reached Group C: 8.4 months (5.6-11.1)	Median OS: 16.2 months Group A: Not reached Group B: 16.2 months Group C: Not reached	N/A	

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## Preliminary experience of the concurrent use of radiosurgery and T-DM1 for brain metastases in HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer\*

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**Radio-sensitising effect of T-DM1 should not be discarded for the efficacy of radiosurgery in the management of brain metastases in patients with HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer.**

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**Results**

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**Response**

**Comment on**

Preliminary experience of the concurrent use of radiosurgery and T-DM1 in the management of brain metastases in patients with HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer. *J Neurooncol.* 2017]

After radiosurgery and concurrent T-DM1 in the management of brain metastases in patients with HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer. *Neuro Oncol.* 2014 Jul;16(7):1006-9.

## Trastuzumab emtansine and stereotactic radiosurgery results in high rates of clinically significant radionecrosis and dysregulation of Aquaporin-4.

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### Abstract

**BACKGROUND:** In the last 10 years, multiple new targeted therapies have been developed for human epidermal growth factor receptor 2-positive (HER2+) breast cancer. Up to 50% of patients with HER2+ breast cancer require some form of radiation therapy. The interaction between radiation and HER2+ breast cancer is unreported.

**METHODS:** In this series, we describe 4 patients who developed clinically significant radionecrosis (CSRN) after stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) for brain metastases. These patients were treated with stereotactic radiosurgery and T-DM1 for brain metastases. Additionally, we present 41 patients treated during this same time period.

**RESULTS:** Using previously published clinical and preclinical data, we demonstrate a strong correlation between development of CSRN after SRS and T-DM1 warrants prospective studies controlling for variations in timing of T-DM1 and radiation dosing to further stratify risk of CSRN and mitigate toxicity. Until such studies are completed, we advise caution in the combination of SRS and T-DM1.

**CONCLUSION:** Increased awareness of potential interactions between radiation and T-DM1 is necessary to optimize patient outcomes.

**Toxicity**

## Combination of Trastuzumab Emtansine and Stereotactic Radiosurgery Results in High Rates of Clinically Significant Radionecrosis and Dysregulation of Aquaporin-4.

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### Abstract

**PURPOSE:** Patients with human EGFR2-positive (HER2+) breast cancer have a high incidence of brain metastases, and trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1) is often employed. Stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) is frequently utilized, and case series report increased toxicity with combination SRS and T-DM1. We provide an update of our experience of T-DM1 and SRS evaluating risk of clinically significant radionecrosis (CSRN) and propose a mechanism for this toxicity.

**EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN:** Patients with breast cancer who were ≤45 years regardless of HER2 status or had HER2+ disease regardless of age and underwent SRS for brain metastases were included. Rates of CSRN, SRS data, and details of T-DM1 administration were recorded. Proliferation and astrocytic swelling studies were performed to elucidate mechanisms of toxicity.

**RESULTS:** A total of 45 patients were identified; 66.7% were HER2+, and 60.0% were ≤ 45 years old. Of the entire cohort, 10 patients (22.2%) developed CSRN, 9 of whom received T-DM1. CSRN was observed in 39.1% of patients who received T-DM1 versus 4.5% of patients who did not. Receipt of T-DM1 was associated with a 13.5-fold ( $P = 0.02$ ) increase in CSRN. Mechanistically, T-DM1 targeted reactive astrocytes and increased radiation-induced cytotoxicity and astrocytic swelling via upregulation of Aquaporin-4 (Aqp4).

**CONCLUSIONS:** The strong correlation between development of CSRN after SRS and T-DM1 warrants prospective studies controlling for variations in timing of T-DM1 and radiation dosing to further stratify risk of CSRN and mitigate toxicity. Until such studies are completed, we advise caution in the combination of SRS and T-DM1.

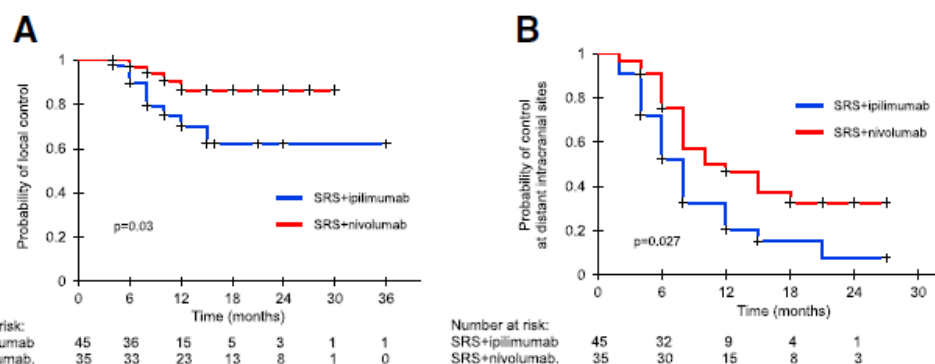
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toxicity was low for most patients in the conventional group. The

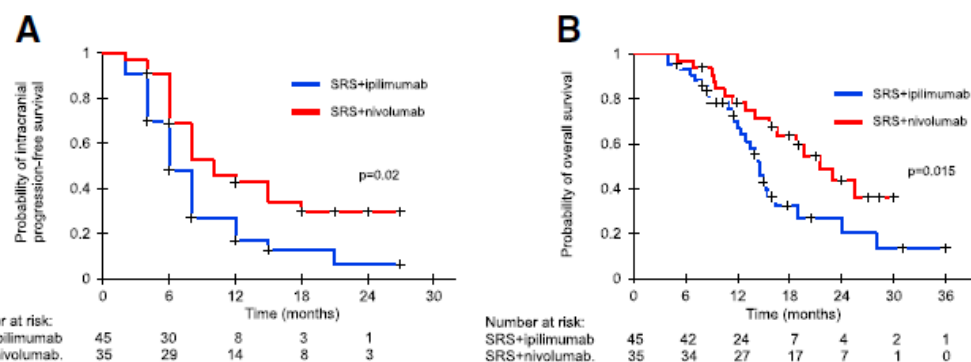


# Stereotactic radiosurgery combined with nivolumab or Ipilimumab for patients with melanoma brain metastases: evaluation of brain control and toxicity

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**Fig. 2** Kaplan-Meier analysis of local control (LC, **a**) and distant brain control (DBC, **b**) after concurrent SRS and ipilimumab (blue line) or nivolumab (red line). LC and DBC were significantly better in SRS and nivolumab group



**Fig. 1** Kaplan-Meier analysis of overall survival (OS, **a**) and intracranial progression-free survival (PFS, **b**) for patients receiving concurrent SRS and ipilimumab (blue line) or nivolumab (red line). OS and intracranial PFS were significantly better in SRS and nivolumab group

## CNS event

Headache	8 (18%)	2 (4%)	4 (12%)	1 (3%)
Hemorrhage	3 (7%)	1 (2%)	2 (6%)	1 (3%)
Seizure	3 (7%)	2 (4%)	2 (6%)	1 (3%)
Dizziness	4 (9%)	0	2 (6%)	0
Brain necrosis	13 (29%)	5 (11%)	7 (20%)	3 (9%)
Discontinuation of treatment	5		3	

\*Treatment-related adverse events of any grade occurring in at least 5% of patients in either cohorts. Some patients had more than one event. No grade 4 events were reported in both cohorts



## Single-fraction versus multi-fraction (3 x 9 Gy) stereotactic radiosurgery for large (> 2 cm) brain metastases: a comparative analysis of local control and risk of radiation-induced brain necrosis

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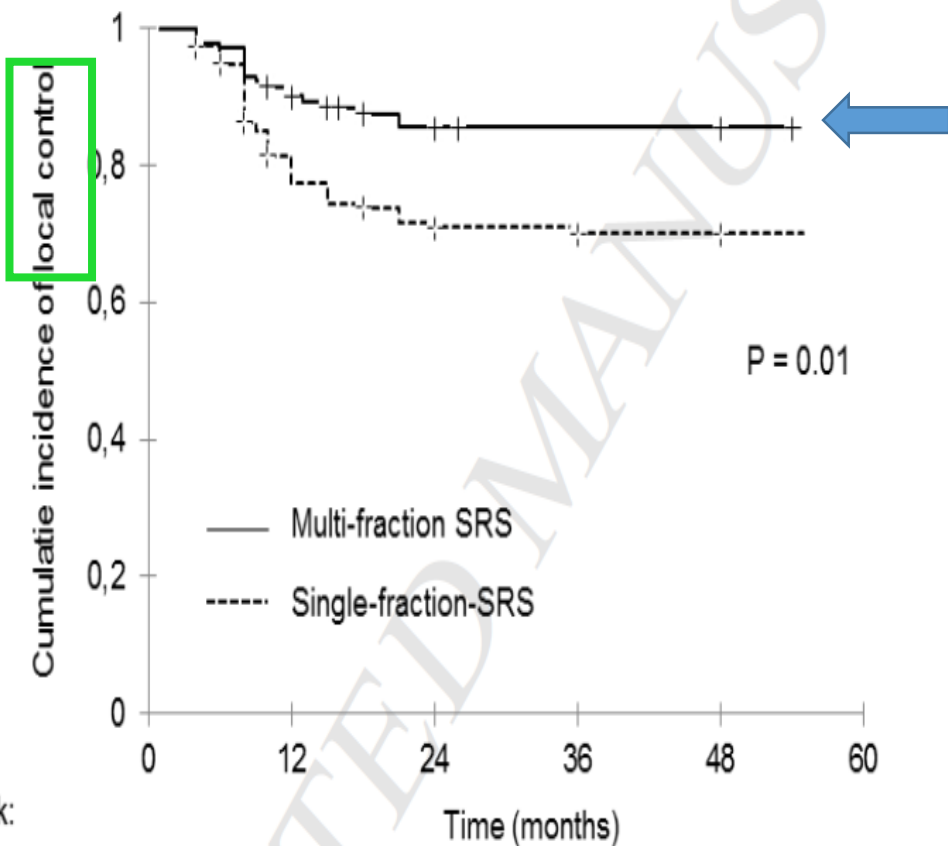
**Table 2.** Effect of single-fraction SRS and multi-fraction SRS on LC and RN risk <sup>a,b</sup>

Outcome	HR*	95% CI	p
<b>Local control</b>			
Unadjusted cohort	0.43	0.21 to 0.9	0.03
Propensity score matching	0.35	0.13 to 0.76	0.01
IPTW propensity score	0.33	0.16 to 0.68	0.007
<b>RN risk</b>			
No adjustment	0.42	0.21 to 0.83	0.03
Propensity score matching	0.22	0.14 to 0.73	0.005
IPTW propensity score	0.23	0.18 to 0.66	0.001

Abbreviations: SRS, stereotactic radiosurgery; LC, local control; RN, radiation-induced brain necrosis; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval; \* Single-fraction SRS is the reference group; a Propensity score-matching and inverse-probability-of-treatment weighting (IPTW) propensity score b age at diagnosis, gender, histology, number of metastases, extracranial disease, and tumor volumes

- Different radiation schedules used to treat large metastasis (3x7Gy n=11)
- V12 e V18 Gy most significant predictors of RN
- BED: 108 } 9Gyx3
- EQD2: 64,8 } 7Gyx3
- BED: 70 } a/b 3
- EQD2: 42 } 7Gyx3
- BED: 153 } 9Gyx3
- EQD2: 92 } 7Gyx3
- WBRT 30Gy: BED 60 EQD2 36





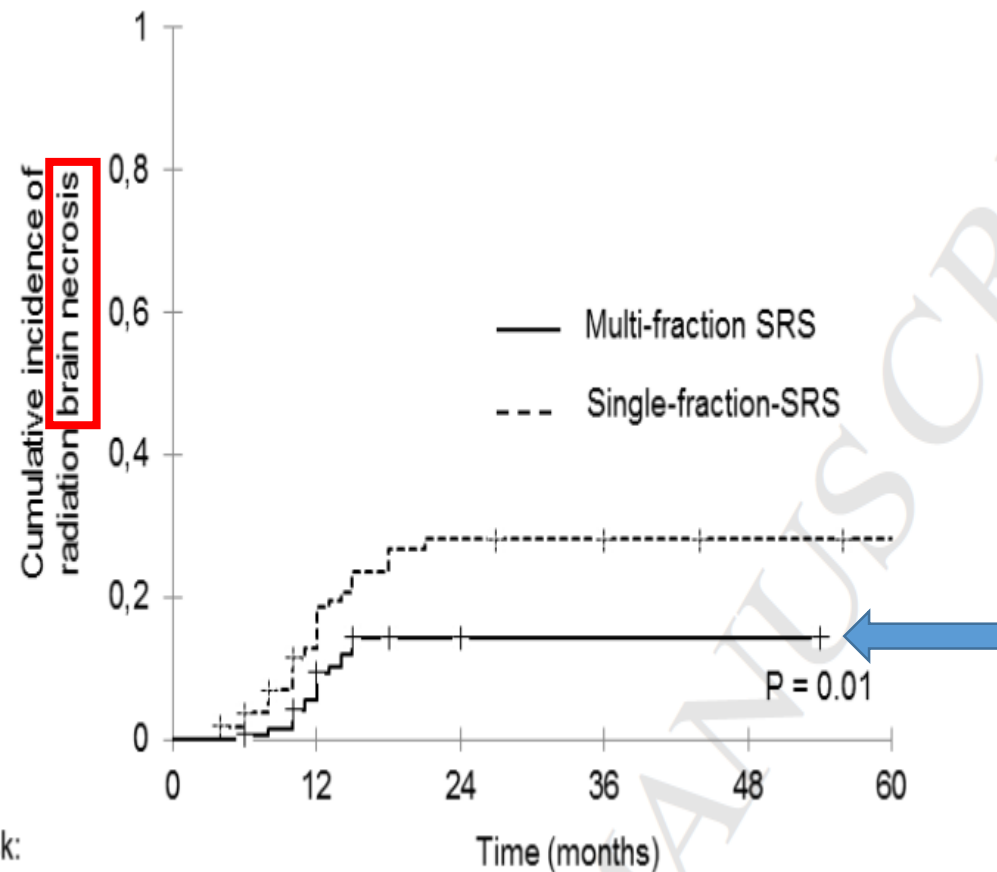
Single-fraction SRS  
Multi-fraction SRS

179  
164

66  
62

18  
15

8  
7



Number at risk:

Single-fraction SRS  
Multi-fraction SRS

179  
164

64  
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# Comparative effectiveness of multi-fraction stereotactic radiosurgery for surgically resected or intact large brain metastases from non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC)



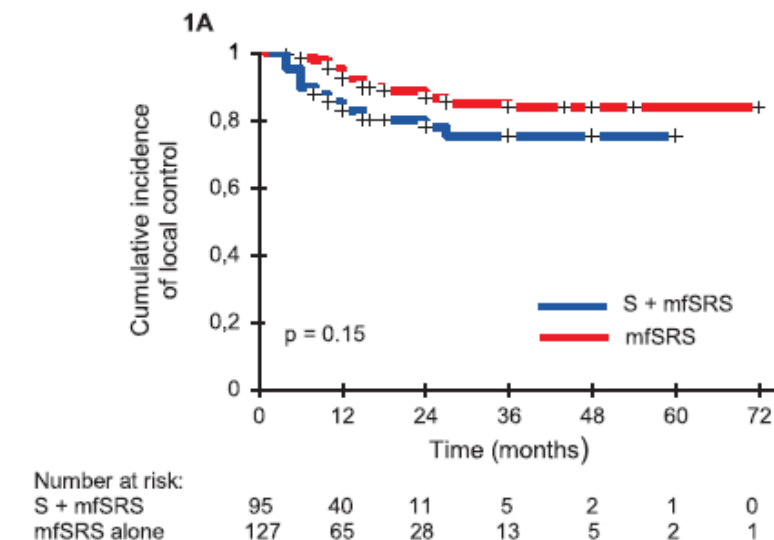
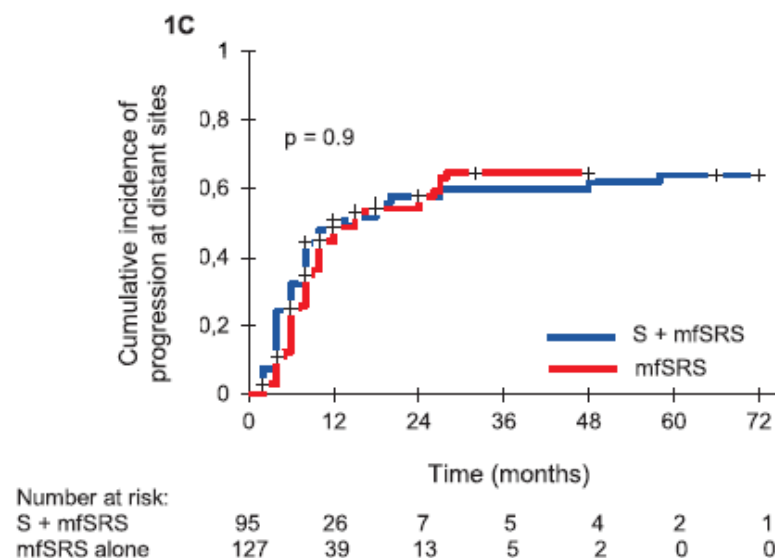
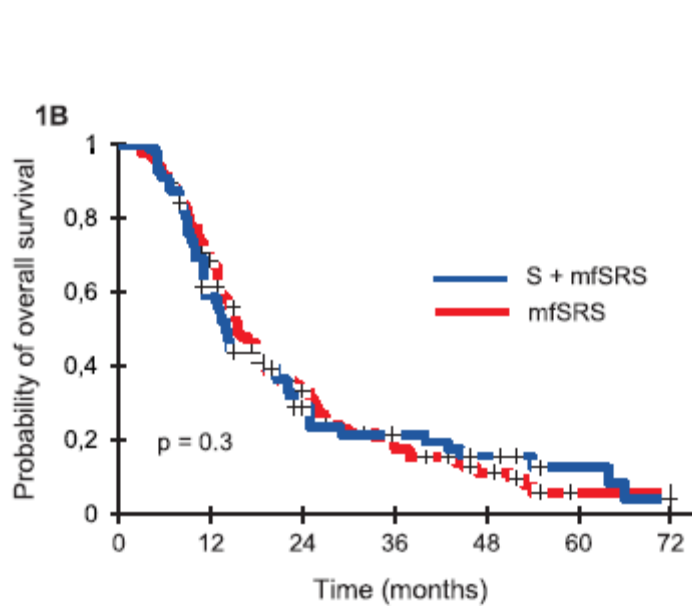
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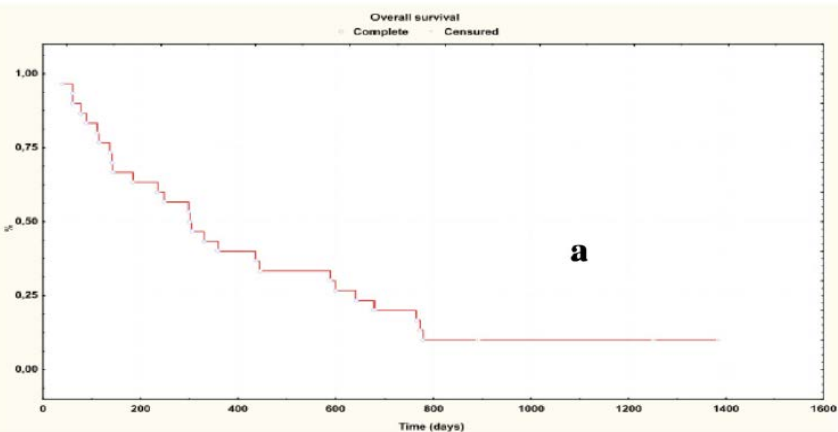
## Minimized doses for linear accelerator radiosurgery of brainstem metastasis.

Valery CA<sup>1</sup>, Boskos C, Boisserie G, Lamproglou I, Cornu P, Mazon JJ, Simon JM.

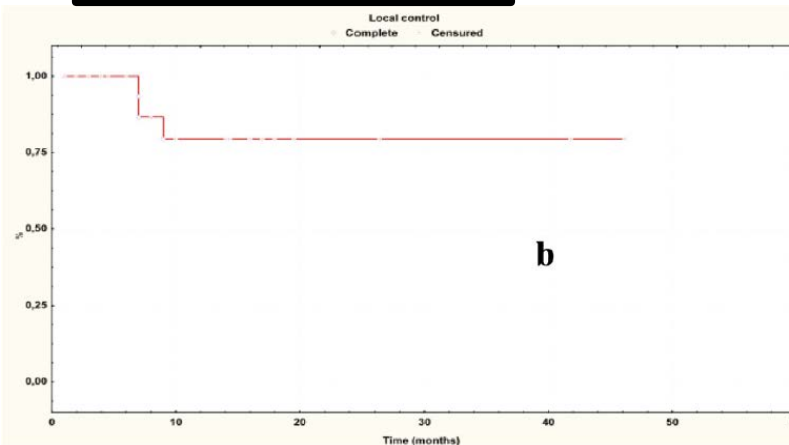
Table 2. Neurological status before and after treatment

		Post-SRS status		
		No change	Improvement	Deterioration
Pre-SRS status	No symptoms	12	—	4
	Hemiparesis	1	2	2
	Cranial nerve palsy	1	3	1
	Cerebellar syndrome	1	3	0

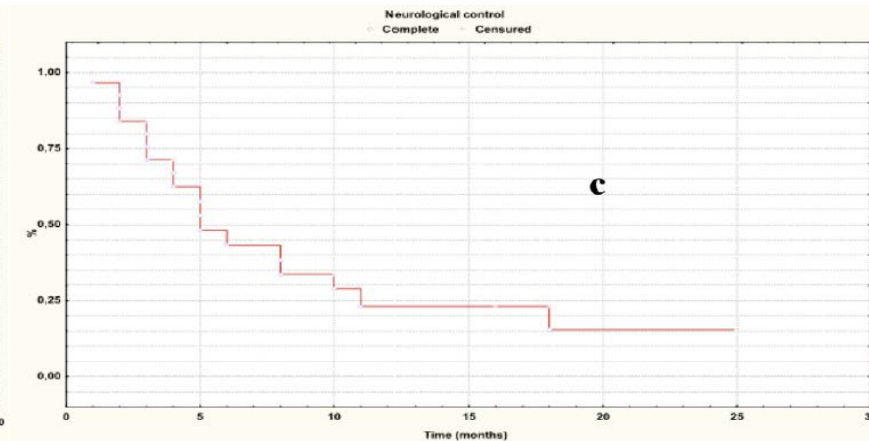
### Overall Survival



### Local Control



### Neurological control



## CONCLUSION

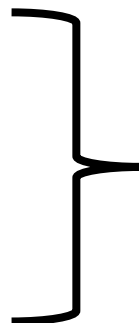
Brainstem metastases are known to be challenging lesions. They are difficult to control with conventional treatments but nevertheless require optimized local control before a significant influence on patient survival can be achieved. In our study, we show that reduced doses, compared with those usually administered, can achieve the same local control of brainstem lesions with no side effects. This could well minimize the risk of neurological deterioration, and could lead to possibilities for further local treatment with second radiosurgery or conformal radiotherapy to the area if required.



## Research Project: MF-SRS concomitant with Immunotherapy or Target therapy

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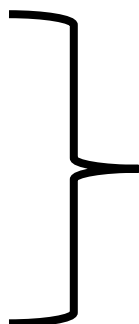
Overview of the research  
proposed at national and  
internationale level



- SRS Vs WBRT
- SRS Vs MF-SRS
- IT/TT: LC 22 al 93%

% PD ( Manteinance of  
the treatment line )  
Symptomatic

Objectives and  
methodology



- Inclusion criteria
- age  $\geq$  18 anni
- KPS  $\geq$  70
- BMs (V  $\leq$  15 mL)
- No pre-SRS o Ch

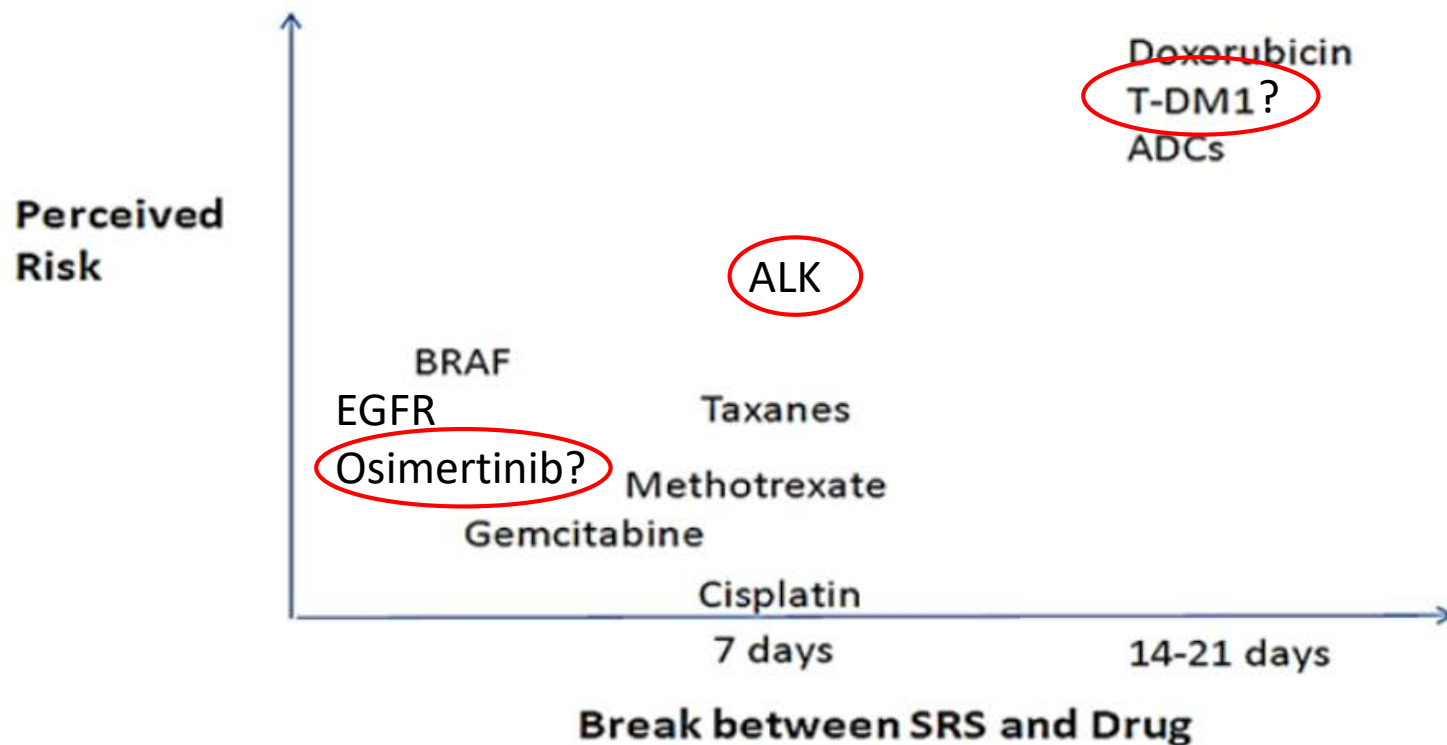
- MF-SRS 9Gy x 3/ 8Gy x3
- GTV T1 volumetric
- PTV 2mm
- q21, q15
- 7d (ALK)

- IRANO
- PET/TC





# MF-SRS Plus Drug



## No break:

- anti-PD1
- anti-PDL1
- anti-CTLA-4
- capecitabine
- temozolomide
- etoposide
- vinorelbine
- pemetrexed
- lapatinib
- trastuzumab
- hormonal agents
- sunitinib
- bevacizumab
- mTor



## *Future research*

- *Optimal timing between SRS and immunotherapy/targeted agents*
- *Optimal dose/fractionation for BM according to size and immunotherapy/targeted agents* 
- *Neurocognitive status and quality of life for patients with BM treated with SRS and immunotherapy/targeted therapy*
- *Share our experience with other centers and create «big prospective database» to improve our knowledge and testing new technologies*

Radiotherapy  
techniques



Grazie per l'attenzione