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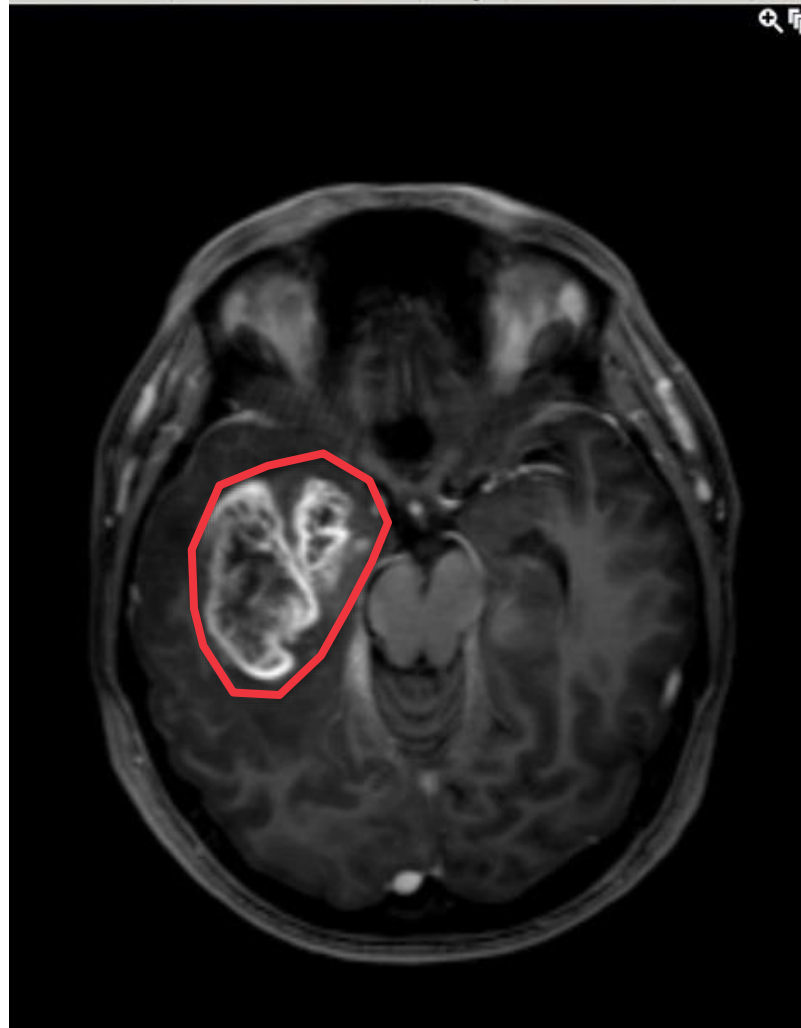


Radiation Oncology Concepts for Recurrent Tumors – Particles an Option?

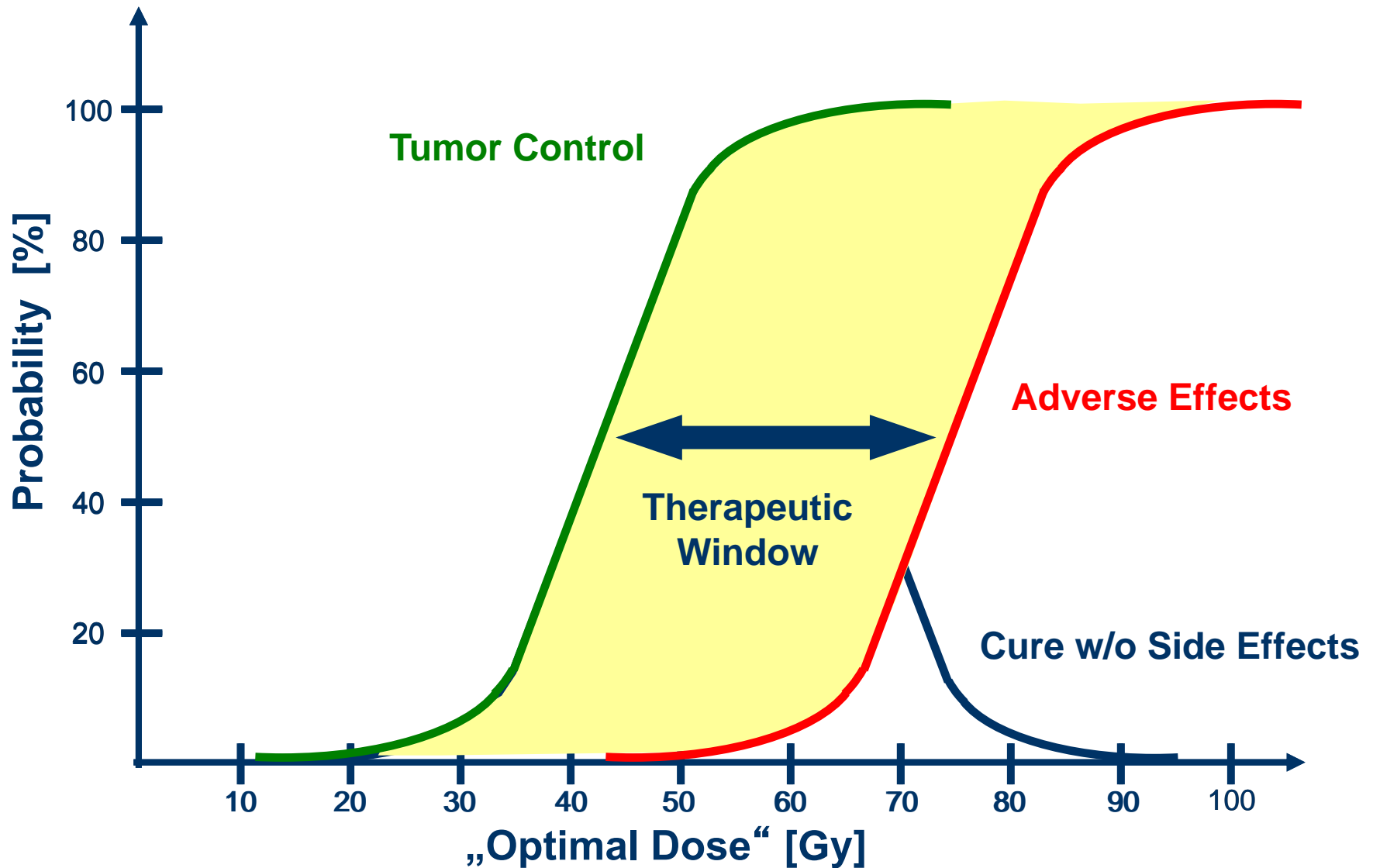
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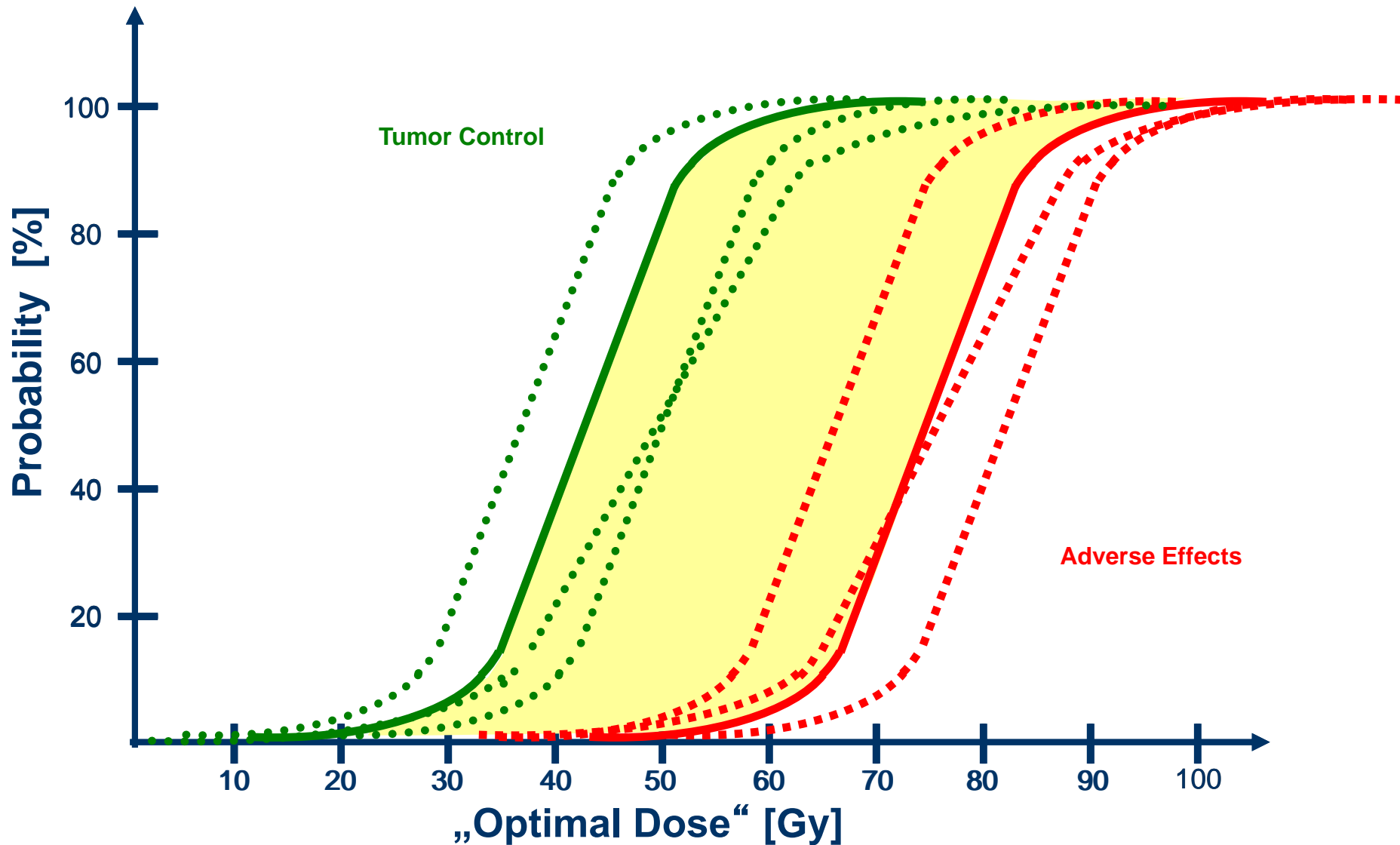
Radiotherapy of a Patient with a Brain Tumor



Holthusen-Curve: Dose-Response-Relationship



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Improving the Therapeutic Window: Clinical Rationale for Particle Therapy

What are the „new possibilities“ I can use with particle therapy?

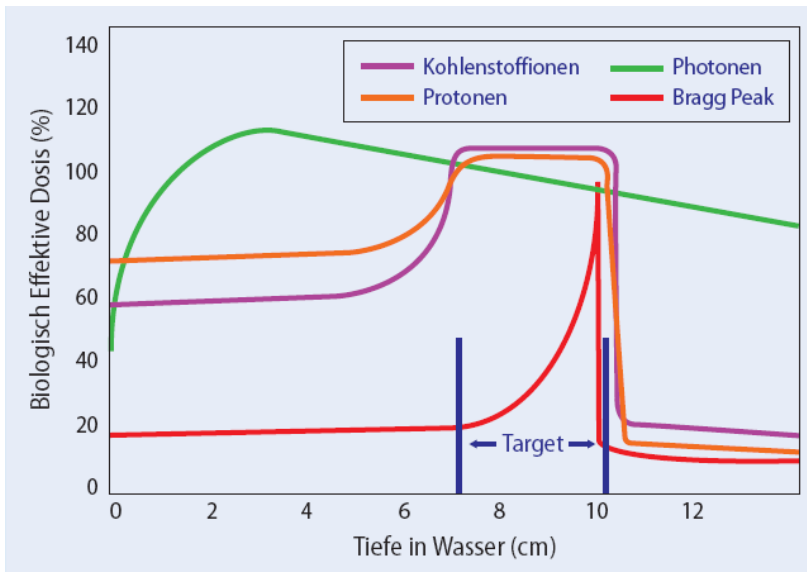
How is my efficacy? What biology is in the background?

Which patients most probably have the best benefit?

Do I have increased precision, i.e. can I reduce dose to non-involved areas?

- Reduction of integral dose
- sparing of normal tissue
- minimizing side effects, especially long-term toxicity
- imaging: CT-Cone beam, conventional X-ray? Issues of positioning
- **Normal tissue tolerance does not change – independently of radiation modality...**

Physical and biological Benefit of Ion Beams



- inverse dose profile
- high local dose deposition in „Bragg Peak“
- sparing of normal tissue

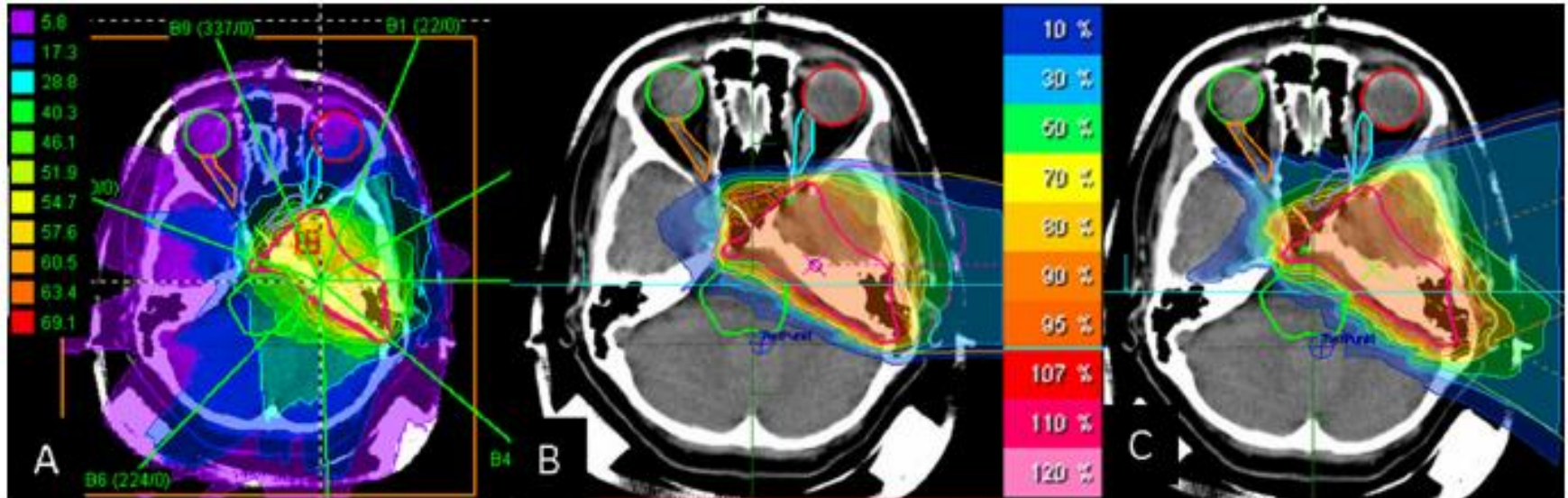


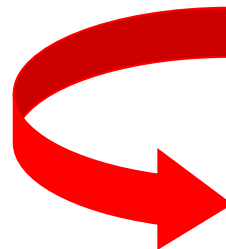
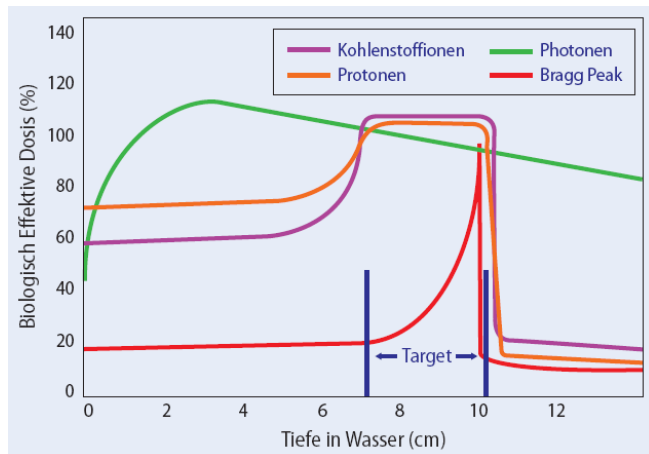
Figure 4 Dose distributions for (A) photon IMRT plan, (B) proton plan with horizontal beams, (C) proton plan with gantry beams.

Protons have an Inverted Dose Profile

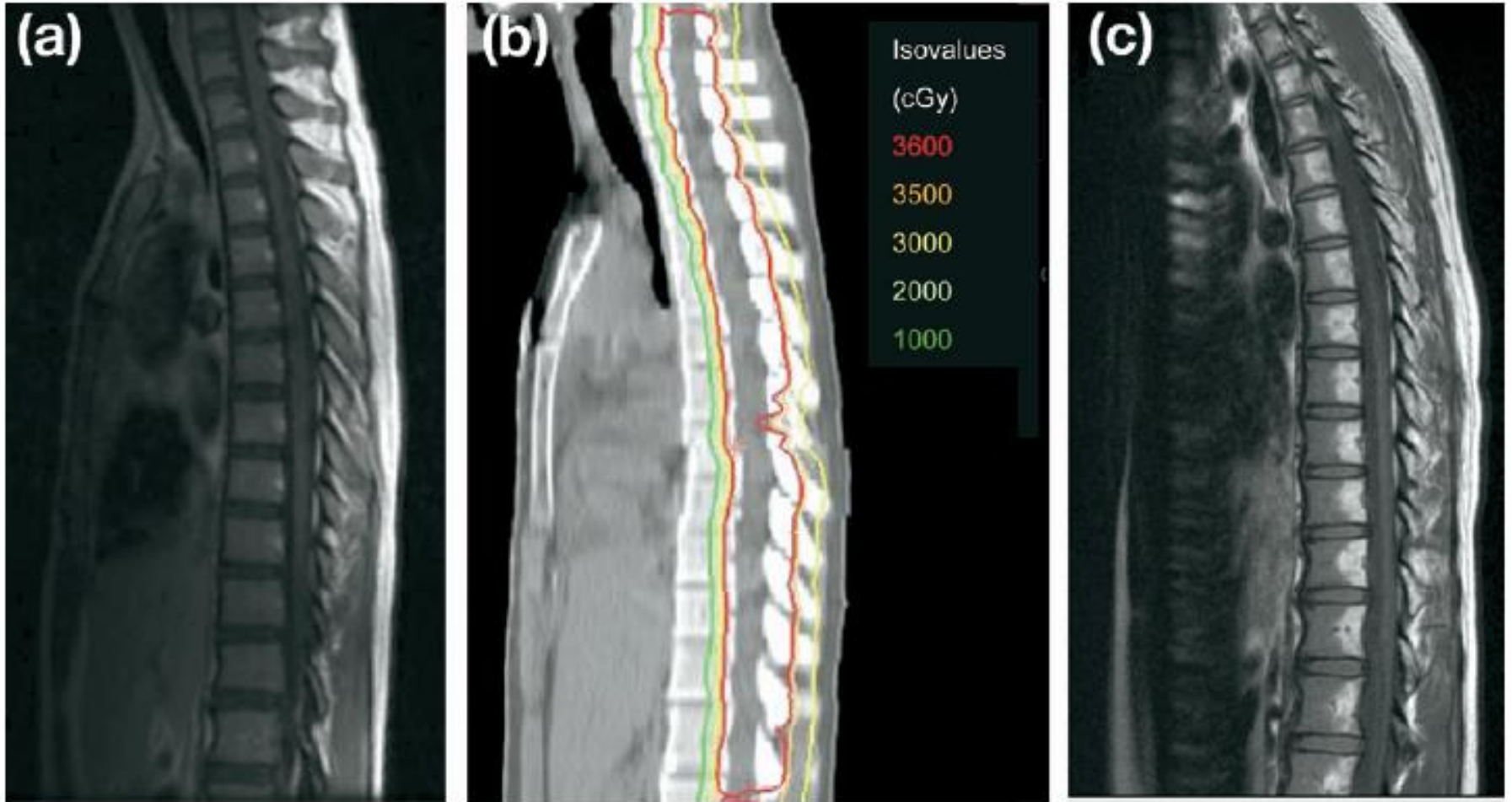


Clinical Benefit

- Sparing of Normal Tissue
- Potential Dose Increase in Treatment Volumes
- Reduction of Side effects



- Visual Impairment
- Neurological Deficits
- Xerostomia
- Growth Deficits, Deformities
- Secondary Malignancies
- Hormonal Deficits
- etc.

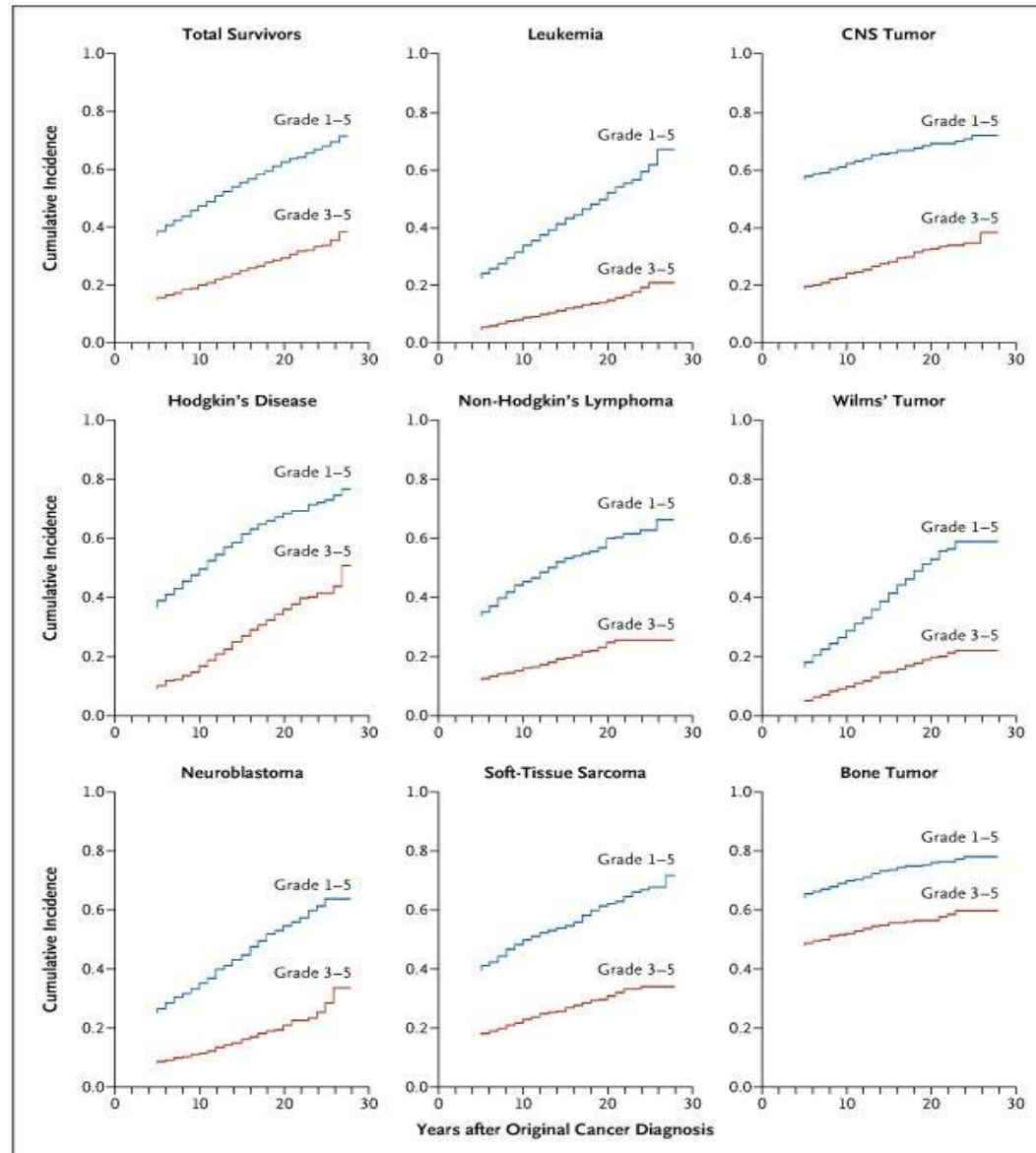


Chronic Health Conditions in Adult Survivors of Childhood Cancer: The Childhood Cancer Survivor Study

Oeffinger et al. (MSKCC).
NEJM 355(15):1572-82, 2006

Cumulative Incidence of Chronic Health Conditions among 10,397 Adult Survivors of Pediatric Cancer, Severity of subsequent health conditions was scored according to the Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (version 3) as:

- mild (grade 1),
- moderate (grade 2),
- severe (grade 3),
- life-threatening or disabling (grade 4),
- or fatal (grade 5).



Predictive Factors for IQ Deficits

(Merchant, JCO, 2009)

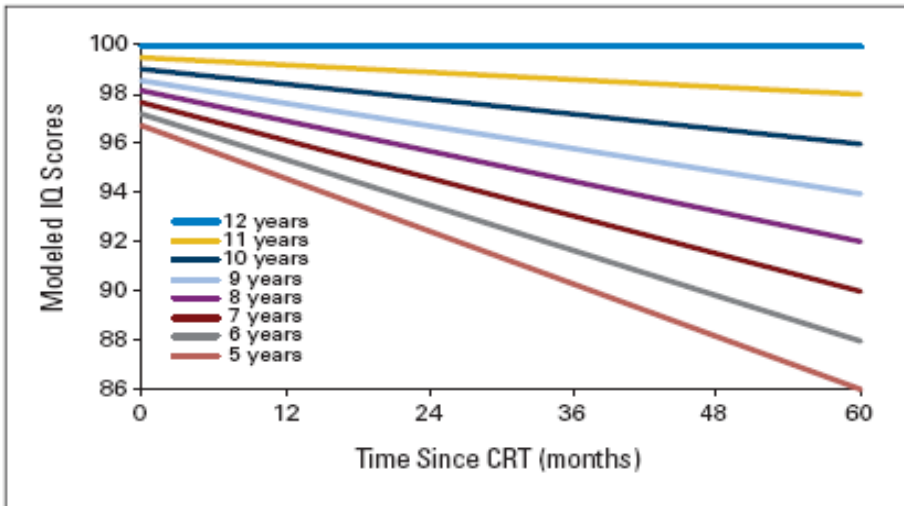


Fig 1. Modeled intelligence quotient (IQ) scores after conformal radiation therapy (CRT) by age for pediatric low-grade glioma. Age is measured in years, and time is measured in months after the start of CRT.

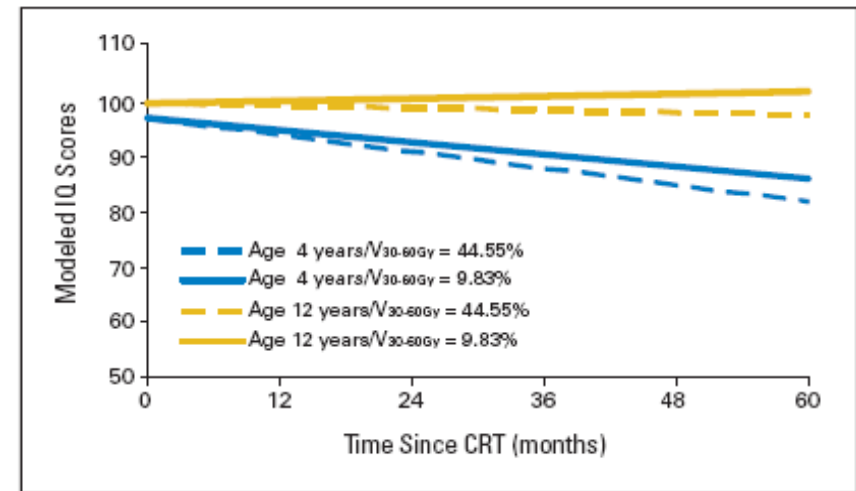


Fig 2. Modeled intelligence quotient (IQ) scores after conformal radiation therapy (CRT) by age and supratentorial brain dose-volume intervals for pediatric low-grade glioma. Age is measured in years, and time is measured in months after CRT. The dose-volume intervals V_{0-30Gy} and $V_{30-60Gy}$ represent the percent volume of the supratentorial brain that received dose within the specified interval.

Age at RT and Dose to Normal Tissue as important factor

Proton Therapy für the Treatment of Skull Base Tumors

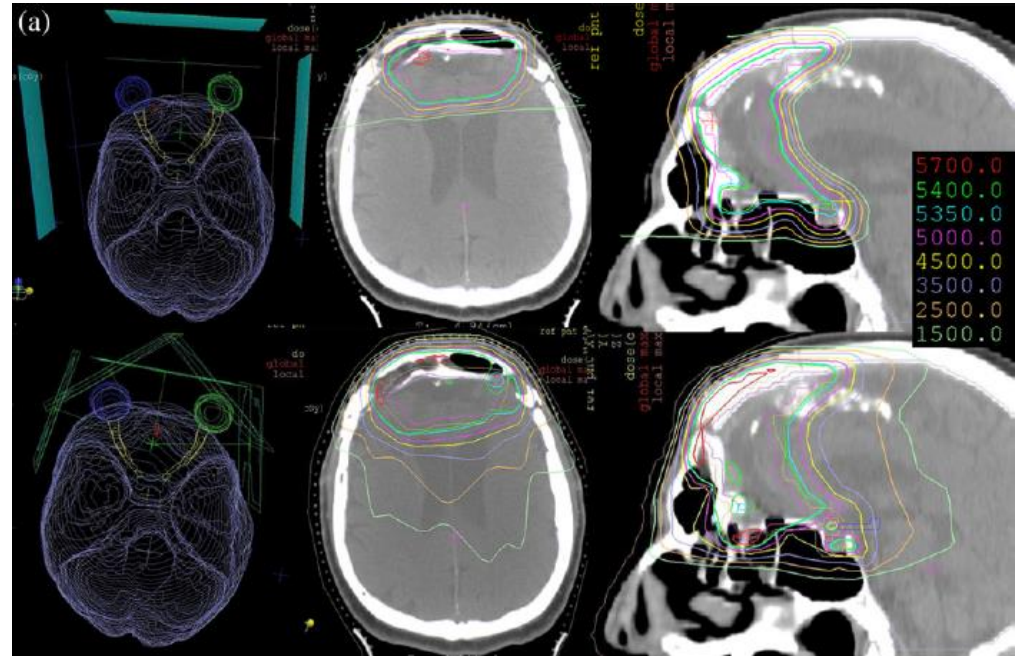
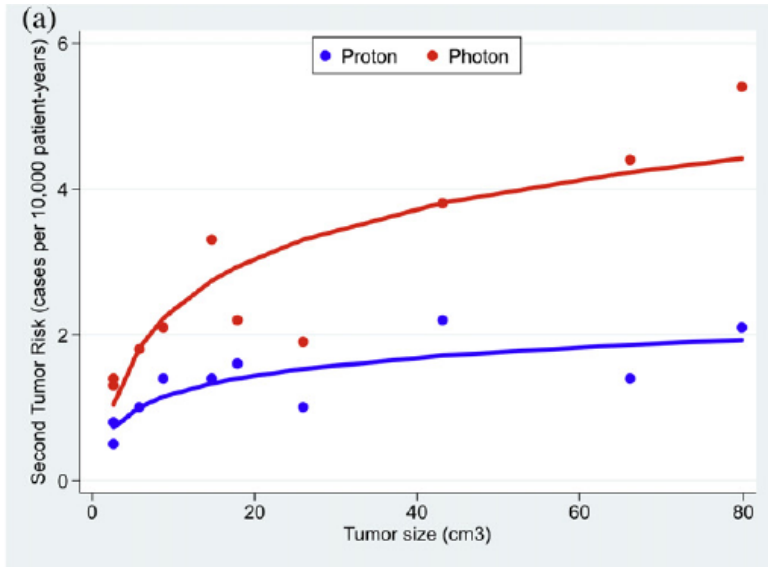


Table 4 Projected second tumor risk and late toxicities after proton vs. photon radiotherapy

| Late effect | Proton RT | Photon RT | <i>p</i> * |
|---|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Excess risk of RT-associated tumor [†] | 1.34 | 2.76 | 0.002 |
| Mean NTCP (%) ± SE [‡] | | | |
| Brainstem | 0.02 ± 0.02 | 0.17 ± 0.16 | 0.36 |
| Temporal lobe | | | |
| Left | 0.06 ± 0.02 | 0.14 ± 0.09 | 0.27 |
| Right | 0.16 ± 0.14 | 0.21 ± 0.18 | 0.24 |
| Optic chiasm | 0.60 ± 0.57 | 0.48 ± 0.45 | 0.34 |
| Optic nerve | | | |
| Left | 0.02 ± 0.01 | 0.08 ± 0.06 | 0.34 |
| Right | 0.01 ± 0.004 | 0.01 ± 0.01 | 0.30 |

Abbreviations: RT = radiotherapy; NTCP = normal tissue complication probability; SE = standard error.

* Paired *t* test.

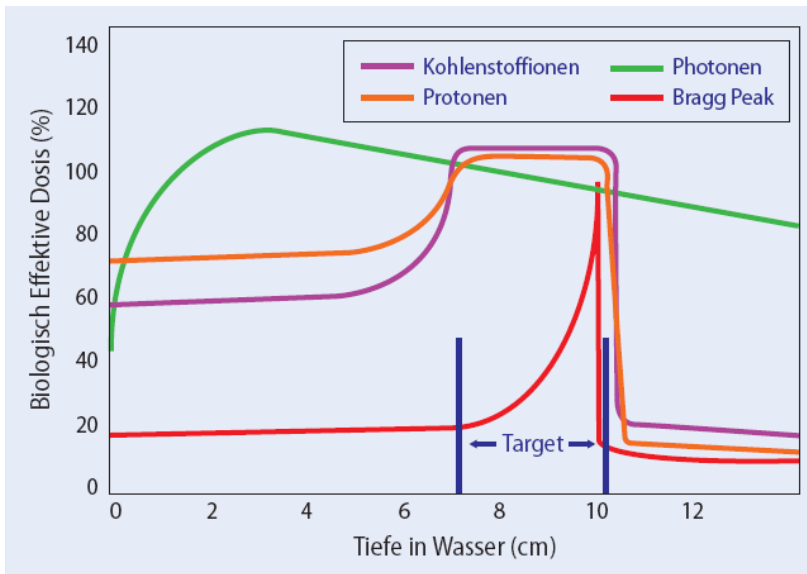
[†] Cases per 10,000 patient-years.

[‡] The NTCP data are not presented for hippocampi, cochlea, pituitary gland, and hypothalamus owing to lack of reliable NTCP data for these structures at the doses received.

→ Reduction of Long-Term Side effects

→ To date not data of clinical superiority

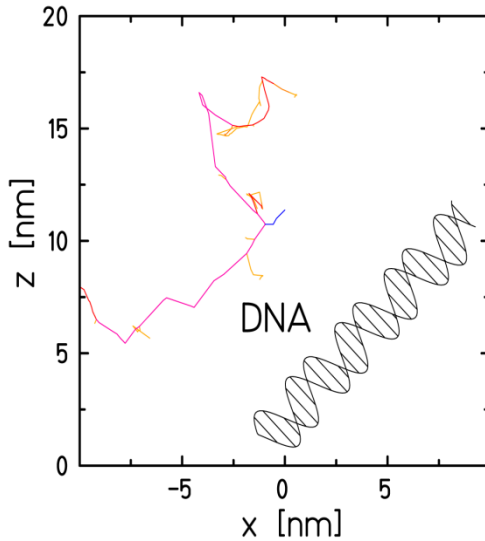
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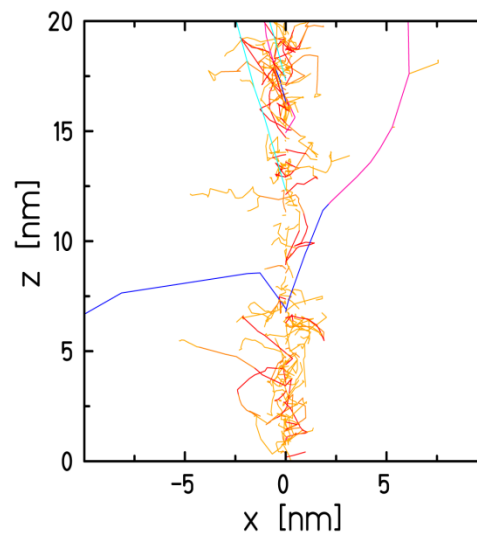
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Combs SE et al. Chirurg, 2007

Low-LET



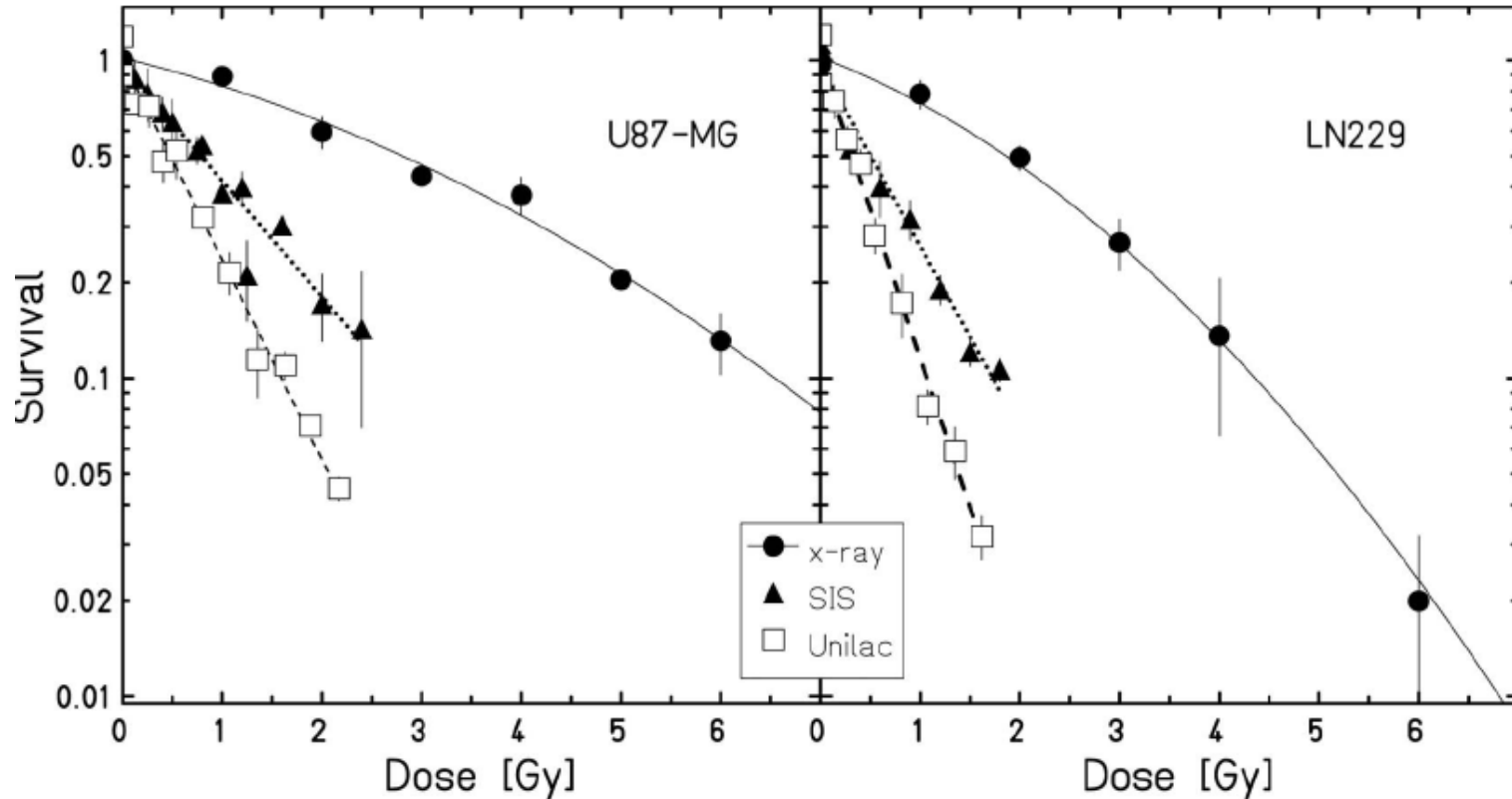
High-LET



- carbon ions: higher relative biological effectiveness (RBE)
- difficult to repair radiation damage, i.e. double strand breaks
- correlation with repair proteins, e.g. p21

M. Scholz et al. Rad. Res. 2001

Radiobiological evaluation and correlation with the local effect model (LEM) of carbon ion radiation therapy and temozolomide in glioblastoma cell lines



Clinical Evidence for Particle Therapy for Re-Irradiation

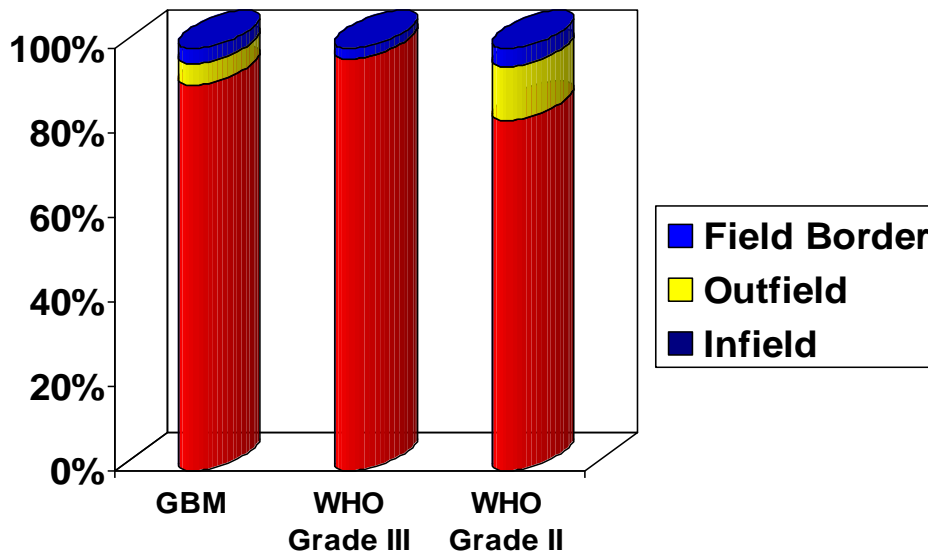
- several small reports (< 50 patients)
- few published prospective trials
- protons – carbon ions
- alleged superiority of dose distributions – What about the RBE and the Bragg Peak?
- Heterogeneous patient cohorts – clinical properties are „not standardized“ in the recurrent situation
 - volume of the tumor
 - time to recurrence
 - possibility of surgery
 - previous systemic treatment
 - patient performance score
 - patients' preference
 - Center's possibilities and experience

Re-irradiation of recurrent gliomas

- limits and risks -

- previous radiotherapy: majority of recurrences within the prior target volume
- patient performance, age etc.
- size and location of the lesion

Location of recurrences after primary radiotherapy



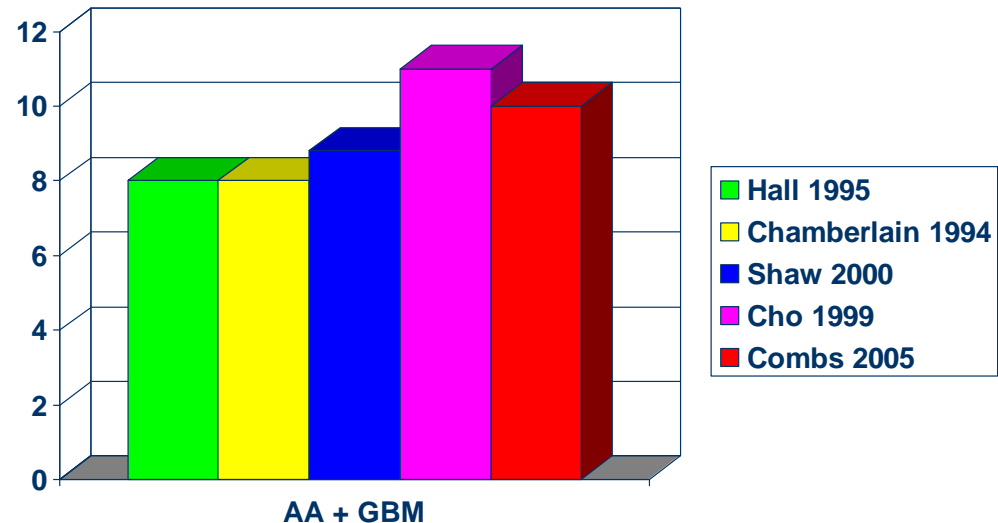
Radiotherapeutic Options for Recurrent Gliomas

Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS)

- Dose application in one fraction
- High local dose deposition
- Short treatment times

To take into consideration....

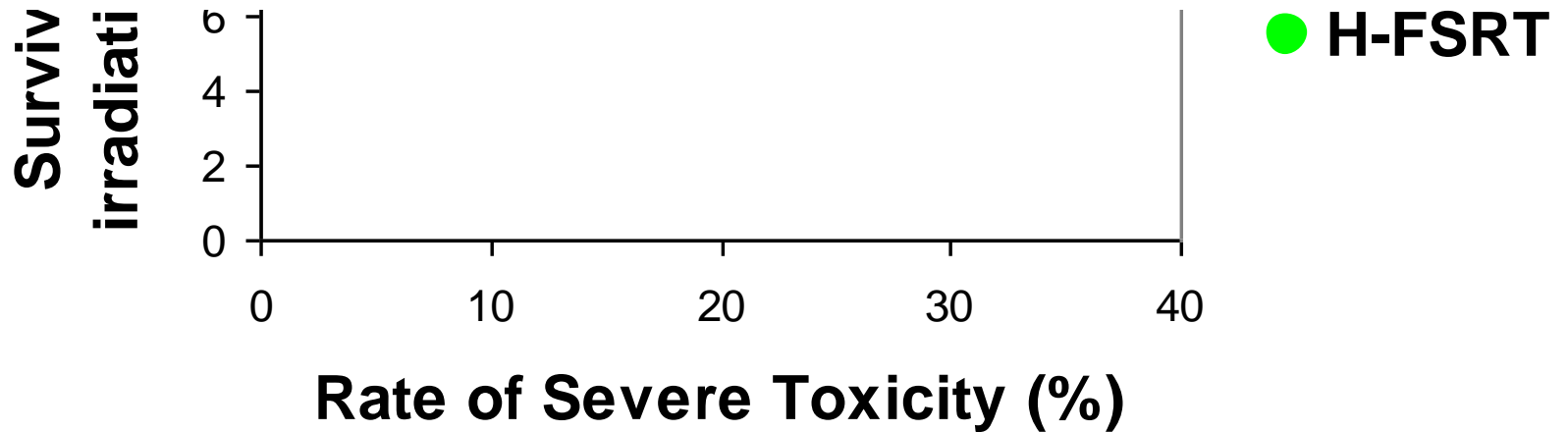
- Risk for treatment-related side effect increases with irradiation volume / recurrence volume



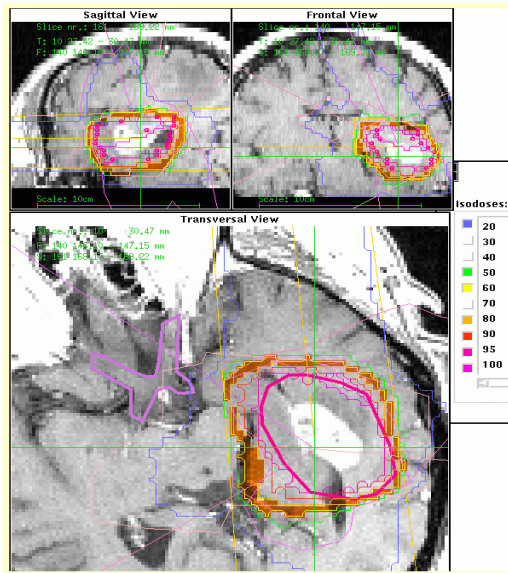
Severe Side Effects after Re-Irradiation



The tolerance of normal tissue is not independent of radiation quality.



Fractionated Stereotactic Radiotherapy (FSRT)



- 172 patients with recurrent glioma
- individuelle mask fixation
- GTV – contrast enhancement in T1-MRT
- CTV 5-10 mm safety margin
- median total dose 36 Gy (5*2Gy/Week)

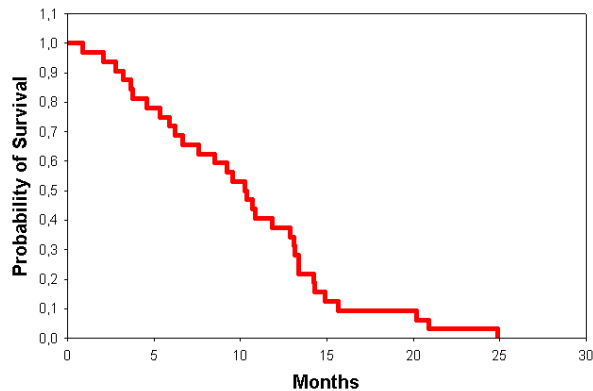
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Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS)



- 32 recurrent glioblastoma
- GTV contrast enhancement in T1-MRT
- PTV 1-2mm safety margin
- median total dose 15 Gy (range 10-20 Gy)
- median survival 10 months

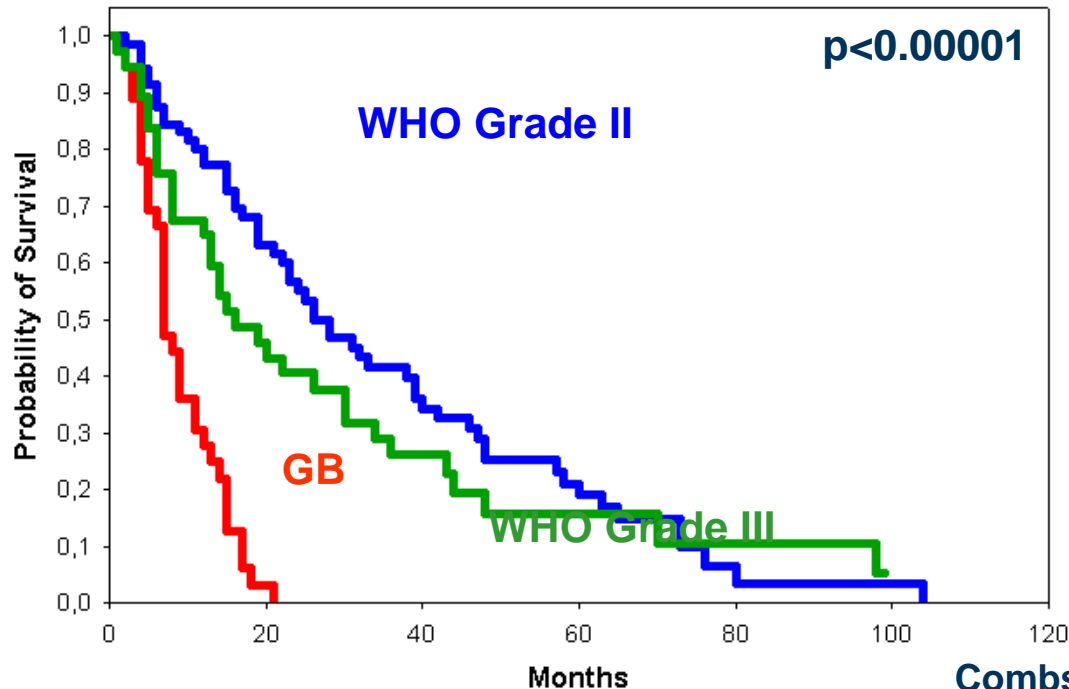
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Survival after FSRT

Radiotherapeutic Options for Recurrent Gliomas

Fractionated Stereotactic Radiotherapy (FSRT)

- Dose application in a number of fractions
- Fractionation effect beneficial with respect to side effects (normal tissue toxicity ↓)
- Less toxicity, increased treatment safety

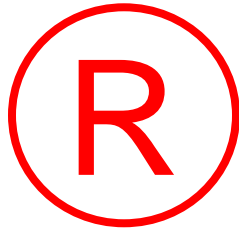


Randomised Phase I/II Study to Evaluate Carbon *Ion* Radiotherapy versus Fractionated Stereotactic Radiotherapy in Patients with Recurrent or Progressive Gliomas:

The CINDERELLA Trial

- unifocal recurrent glioma post 1 or 2 treatments
- no other re-irradiation performed
- largest diameter of contrast enhancement: 4cm

Phase I:
Dose Escalation



Arm A: Experimental Arm

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„Best-Dose“ of Phase I

10 x 3Gy E to 16 x 3 Gy E Single Dose

Arm B: Standard Arm

FSRT

Combs SE, JCO 2005

36 Gy / 2 Gy single dose

Study Coordinator: Combs SE

in cooperation with:

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Prof. Dr. Andreas Unterberg, Neurosurgery

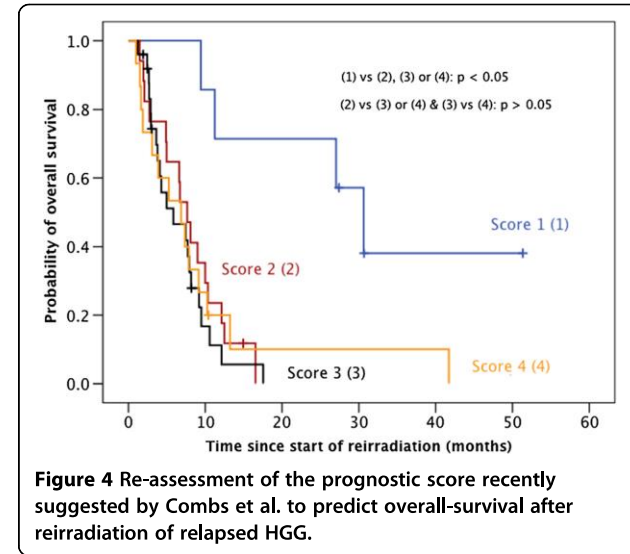
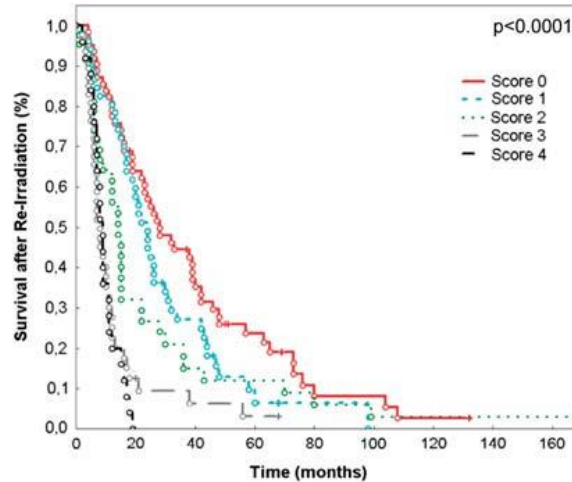
Dr. L. Edler, Dr. I. Burkholder, dkfz-Biostatistics

Combs SE et al., BMC Cancer 2010

Which patients benefit from re-irradiation? Is beam quality really THE factor for outcome?

Table II. Factors identified as significantly influencing survival after re-irradiation used for the generation of the prognostic score.

| Prognostic factor | Subgroups | Value for prognostic score |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Histology | WHO Grade IV | 2 |
| | WHO Grade III | 1 |
| | WHO Grade II | 0 |
| Age | < 50 years | 0 |
| | ≥ 50 years | 1 |
| Time between RT and re-RT | ≤ 12 months | 1 |
| | > 12 months | 0 |

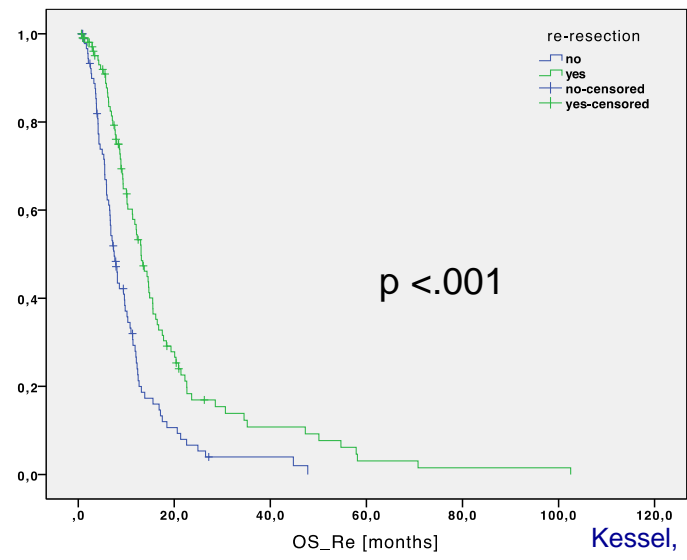
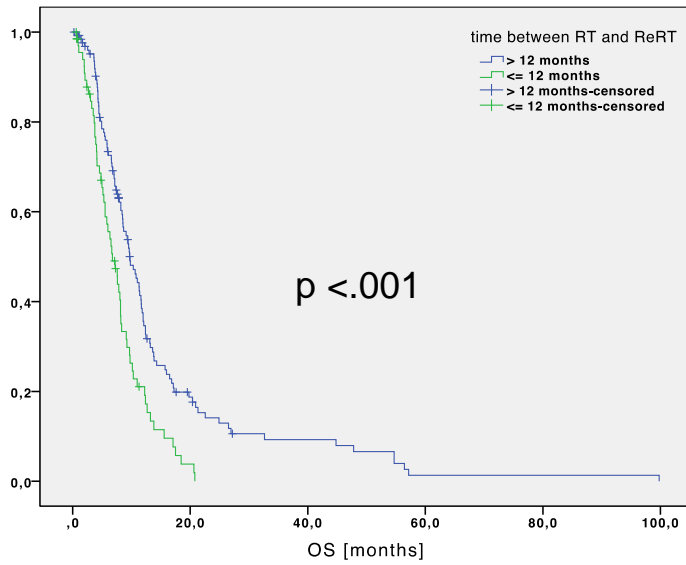
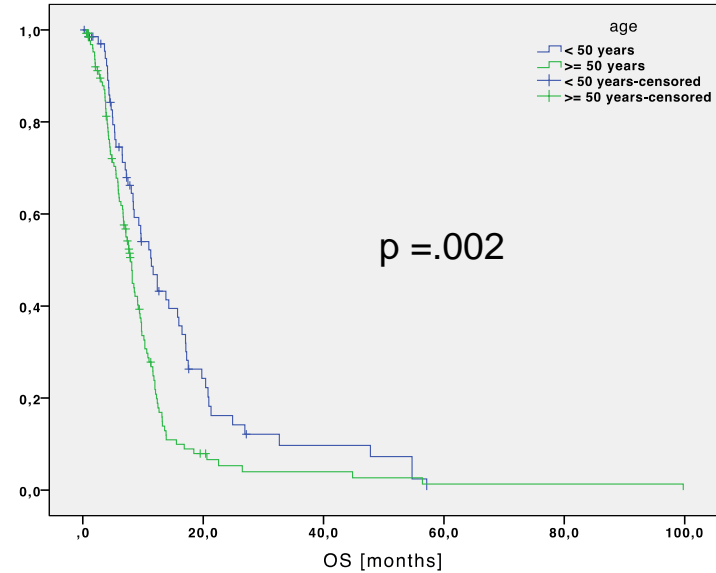
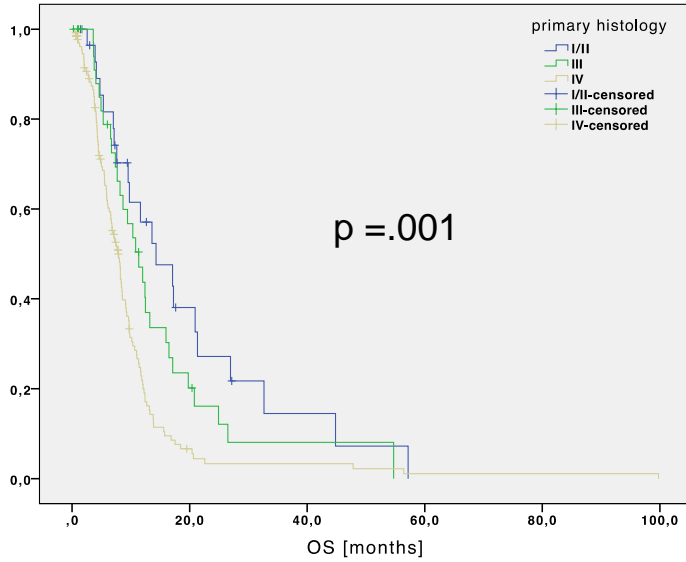


- Patient age, histology, tumor volume are „classical“ prognostic factors
- Time point of re-irradiation – „the earlier the better“ but not < 6 months after first radiotherapy
- treatment dose, treatment technique
- target volume

Validation of the prognostic core: TUM cohort

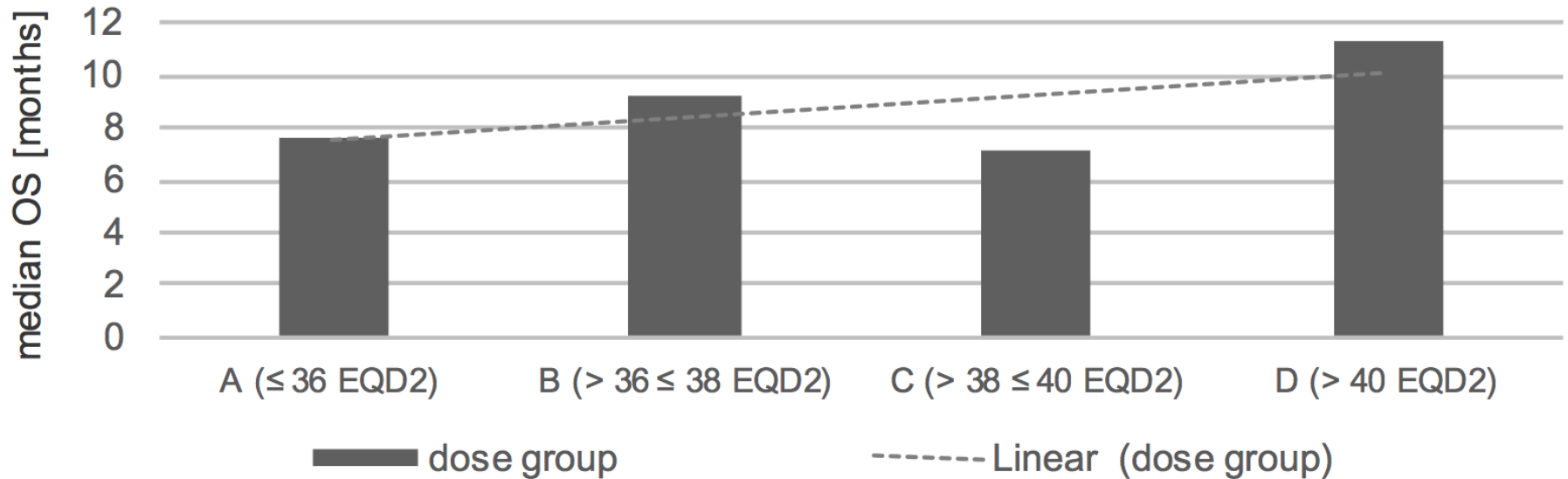
- 199 patients (female 87, male 112)
- Primary histology
 - 133 Pat: WHO IV
 - 37 Pat: WHO III
 - 29 Pat: WHO I/II
- Median time between primary RT and Re-RT [months]
 - 14.4 (1.9 – 77.7): WHO IV
 - 19.1 (5.8 – 175.7): WHO III
 - 34.0 (1.0 – 228.1): WHO I/II
- Re-resection
 - 96 Pat: no re-resection
 - 77 Pat: 1
 - 26 Pat: ≥ 2

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Outcome according to dose



Old score

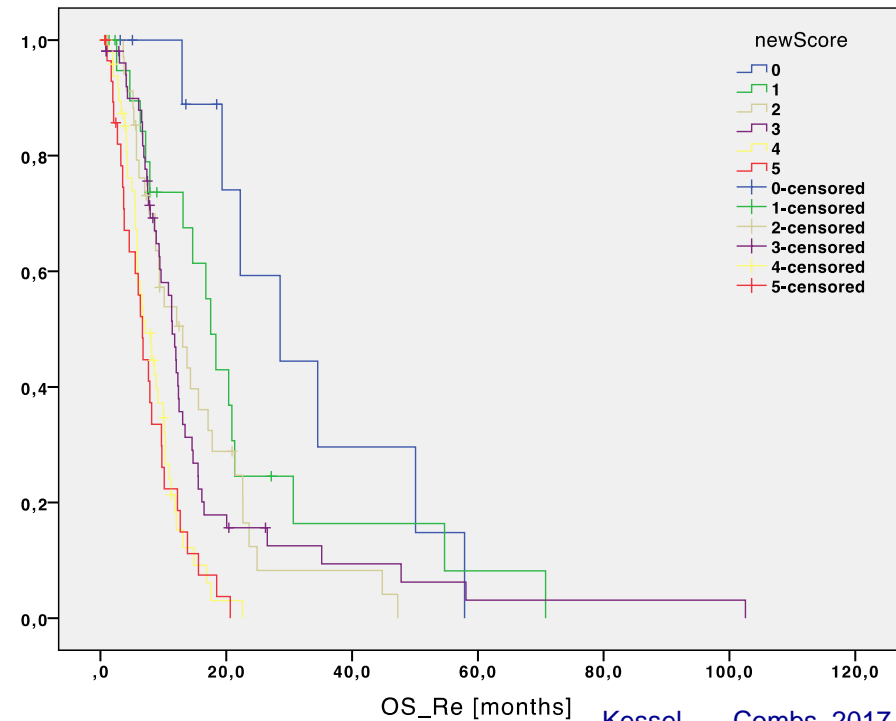
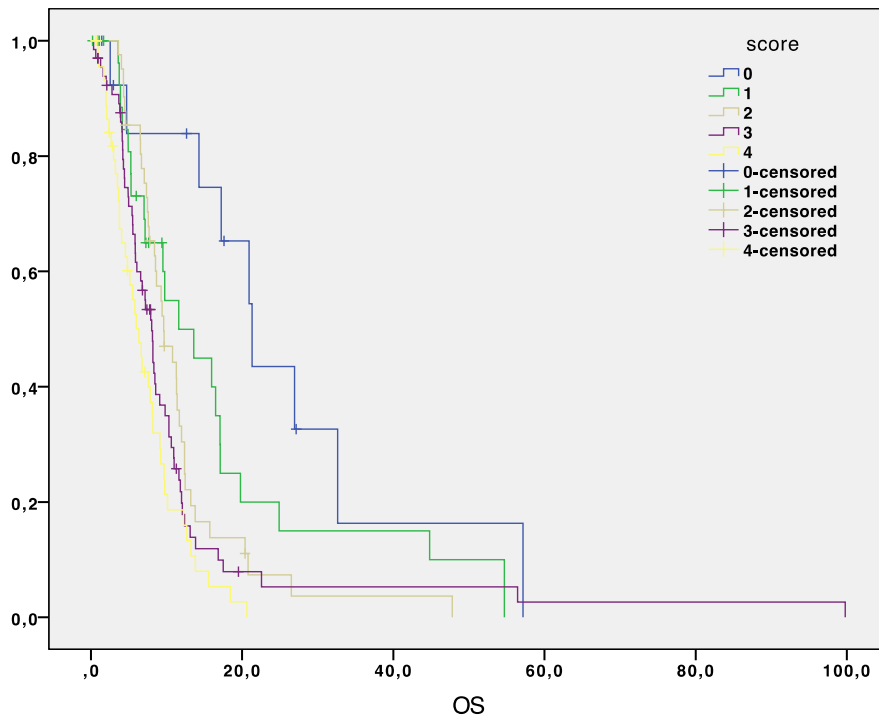
vs. New score

Including prognostic factors

- Primary histology (WHO IV vs. III vs. I/II)
- Age (<50y vs. ≥50y)
- Time between primary RT and Re-RT (>12m vs ≤12m)

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Re-irradiation of recurrent gliomas: pooled analysis and validation of an established prognostic score—report of the Radiation Oncology Group (ROG) of the German Cancer Consortium (DKTK)

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Table 2. Scoring scheme of the original [14] and new [15] score.

| Prognostic factor | Prognostic value of the original score | Prognostic value of the new score |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Primary histology at diagnosis | | |
| WHO IV | 2 | 2 |
| WHO III | 1 | 1 |
| WHO VII | 0 | 0 |
| Age | | |
| ≥50 years | 1 | 1 |
| <50 years | 0 | 0 |
| Time from primary RT to re-RT | | |
| ≤12 months | 1 | 1 |
| >12 months | 0 | 0 |
| KPS | | |
| <80% | | 1 |
| ≥80% | | 0 |
| Tumor volume (PTV) | | |
| >47 mL | | 1 |
| ≤47 mL | | 0 |
| Reresection performed | | |
| No | | 1 |
| Yes | | 0 |

re-RT, re-irradiation; KPS, Karnofsky Performance Score; PTV, Planning target volume.

Table 3. OS analysis of the prognostic factors and scores.

| Prognostic factor | Univariate analysis | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|
| | HR | 95% CI | P-Value |
| Primary histology at diagnosis | 1.28 | 1.06–1.54 | 0.010* |
| Age (≥50 y vs. <50 y) | 1.45 | 1.21–1.75 | <0.001* |
| Time from primary RT to re-RT (≤12 m vs. >12 m) | 1.18 | 0.98–1.41 | 0.074 |
| KPS (<80% vs. ≥80%) | 2.02 | 1.67–2.43 | <0.001* |
| Tumor volume (PTV) (>47 mL vs. ≤47 mL) | 1.23 | 1.02–1.49 | 0.032* |
| Reresection performed (no vs. yes) | 0.82 | 0.65–1.04 | 0.101 |
| MGMT status (methylated vs. not methylated)** | 0.67 | 0.52–0.86 | 0.002* |
| Score | | | |
| Original score | 1.20 | 1.10–1.32 | <0.001* |
| New score | 1.22 | 1.11–1.34 | <0.001* |

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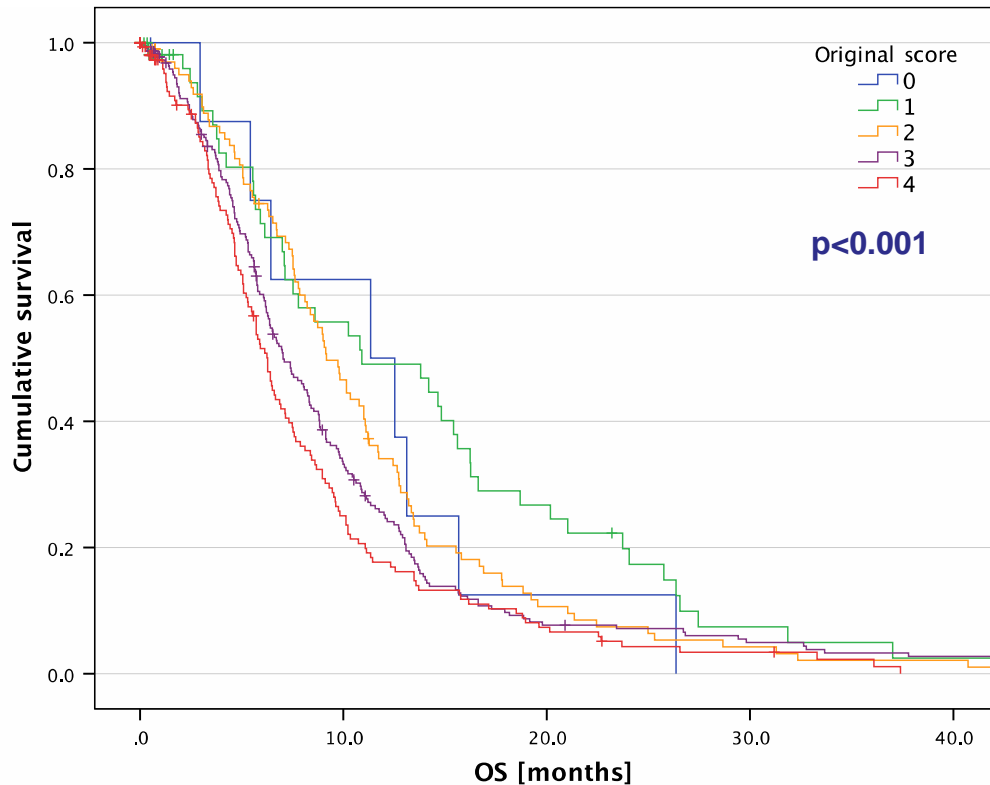


Table 4. Median OS and life table for both scores.

| | <i>n</i> | Median OS | Proportion surviving after re-RT | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| | | | 6 months (%) | 12 months (%) |
| Original score | | | | |
| 0 | 9 (2%) | 12.0 | 75 | 50 |
| 1 | 60 (11%) | 11.3 | 76 | 49 |
| 2 | 106 (19%) | 9.7 | 76 | 35 |
| 3 | 224 (41%) | 7.5 | 64 | 26 |
| 4 | 153 (28%) | 6.6 | 57 | 18 |
| New score | | | | |
| a | 2 (1%) | 16.8 | 100 | 100 |
| b | 67 (19%) | 9.4 | 75 | 34 |
| c | 199 (56%) | 9.4 | 75 | 34 |
| d | 88 (25%) | 6.1 | 50 | 12 |

OS, Overall survival; *n*, number of patients.

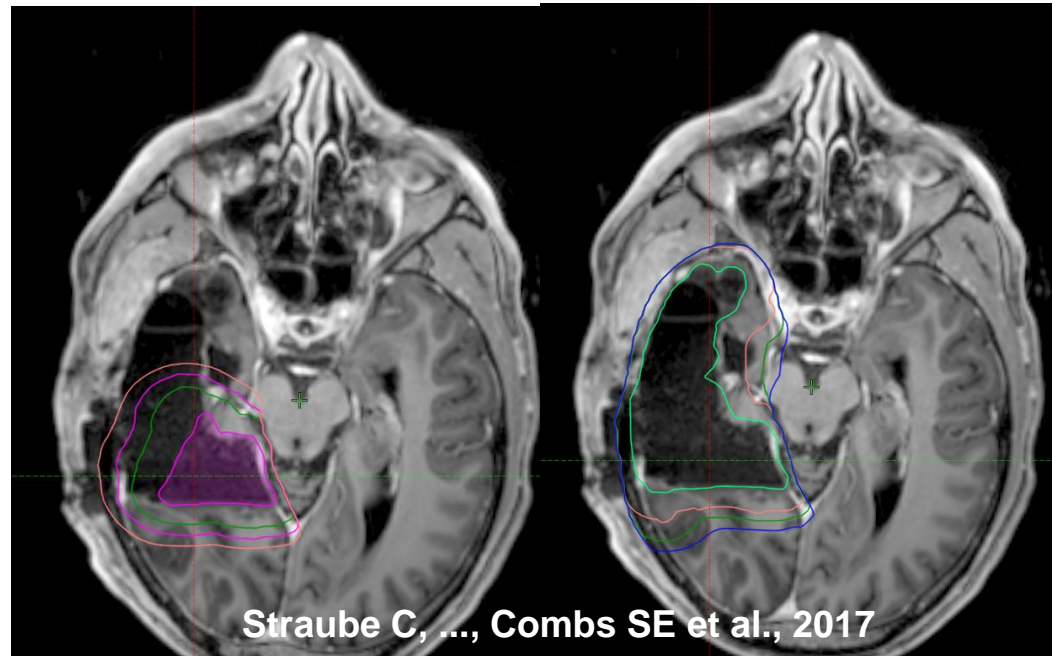
Re-irradiation of gliomas

- ... Has been established in clinical routine
- various fractionation concepts
- indication generally in incompletely resected tumors (on MRI and/or PET)
- alone or in combination with chemotherapy
- Information of recurrence and risk patterns?
- Target volume?
- Influence of any biomarkers?
- But – we randomize photons vs. Carbon based on macroscopic tumor
- question: “complete resection“?

No real evidence..

Definition of target volumes for re-irradiation of the resection cavity: Integration of CT, MRI and PET

- Pt. With previous irradiation
- „complete resection“ of the recurrence
- Target volume generation with different safety margins:
 - Resection cavity primary tumor
 - Resection cavity recurrence
 - Margins?
 - Organs at risk (OAR)- normal brain, eloquent regions, hippocampus



Straube C, ..., Combs SE et al., 2017

GlioCave – NOA 17 Trial

A Phase-II Trial comparing adjuvant stereotactic fractionated radiotherapy to the resection cavity in recurrent glioblastoma to observation

- recurrent glioblastoma after standard treatment (surgery, chemoradiation)
- no prior re-irradiation
- „complete resection“

Phase II



Arm A: Experimental Arm

High precision-RT

46 Gy/2 Gy / 36 Gy, 3 Gy

(resection cavity, margin)

Arm B: no RT

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In cooperation with:

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Study Coordinator: Dr. C. Straube, TUM RadOnk

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- surgical resection
- collection of serum, tumor tissue, primary cell cultures
- characterization of migration, invasion, other biomarkers for radiation (γ H2AX)
- treatment according to study protocol
- MRI during treatment - @10 fractions – including T1, T2 weighted sequences, DTI
- correlation of biological and clinical data

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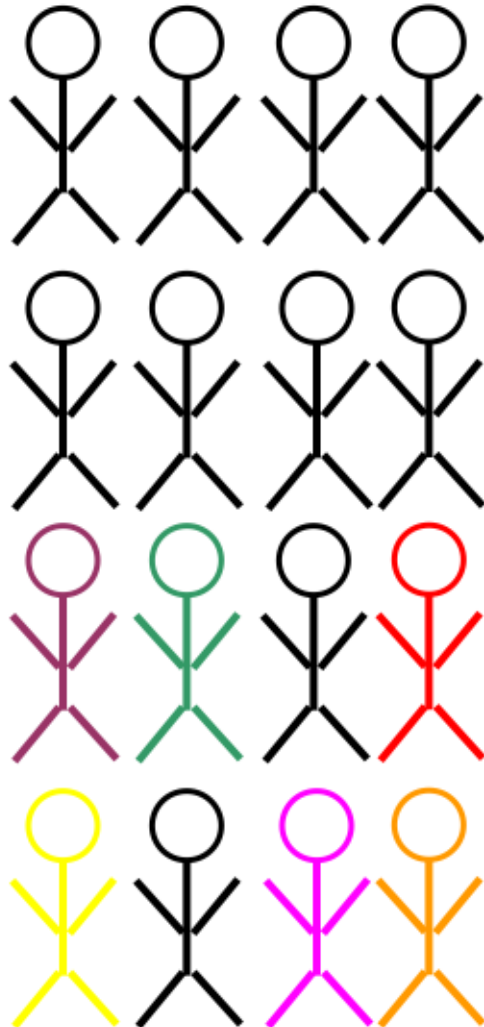
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Re-Irradiation of Gliomas

- Has an established role in the multimodal treatment of gliomas
- Optimal dose and target volumes yet need to be defined
- Radiosurgery vs. Fractionated – impact of volume, location etc.
- Potential benefit of high single doses ?!?
- Combination with systemic treatment safe and certainly possible depending on the individual pre-treatment
- Prognostic scores reflect the heterogeneity of gliomas
- Benefit of particles? Not proven yet...

Innovative Radiotherapy (iRT) Concepts



Radiotherapy

- histopathological characteristics
- molecular markers
- individual radiation sensitivity
- immunological properties
- patient-individual factors such as Karnofsky Performance Status, diabetes, nutritional state etc.

Individualized Radiotherapy (iRT)

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High-LET Radiotherapy, e.g. Carbon Ions

- High-LET radiotherapy
- Relative Biological Effectiveness (RBE) > 1
- Higher relative biological effectiveness
- However, data on biological „uncertainties“, e.g. increase in RBE at distal end
- Biological Models, „dose painting“ ...
- Incoming Data on Proton/Carbon Biology:
 - Proton irradiation suppresses angiogenic genes and impairs cell invasion and tumor growth (Radiat Research 2012)
 - Uncertainties in RBE

Phase I/II Study evaluating the treatment of patients with Recurrent Rectal Cancer with Carbon Ion Radiotherapy:

The PANDORA-01 Trial

- histologically confirmed recurrent rectal cancer
- macroscopic tumor
- localized, no metastases

Arm A: Experimental Arm

Carbon Ion Radiotherapy

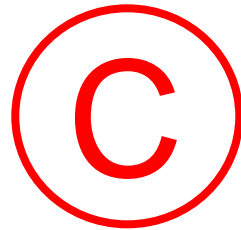
Dose Escalation

12 x 3 Gy E

Increasing fraction number

18 x 3 Gy E

Arm B: Historical Controls



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ULICE-Framework

Re-Irradiation for Recurrent Meningiomas

Table 1 Patient characteristics

| Age at re-irradiation (years) | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------|-------|
| | Mean (SD) | 53 | 13,4 |
| | Median (Q1-Q3) | 53 | 47–61 |
| | Median (range) | 53 | 18–77 |
| | | <i>n</i> = | % |
| Gender | | | |
| | male | 17 | 40,5% |
| | female | 25 | 59,5% |
| Histology | | | |
| | WHO I | 10 | 23,8% |
| | WHO II | 25 | 59,5% |
| | WHO III | 6 | 14,3% |
| | unknown | 1 | 2,4% |
| Location | | | |
| | skull base | 31 | 73,8% |
| | falx | 6 | 14,3% |
| | convexity | 5 | 11,9% |
| Karnofsky performance score | | | |
| | ≥ 80% | 34 | 81,0% |
| | < 80% | 8 | 19,0% |
| Previous radiotherapy | | | |
| | IMRT | 16 | 38,1% |
| | 3DCRT | 16 | 38,1% |
| | SRS/FSRT | 8 | 19,0% |
| | radiopeptide | 1 | 2,4% |
| | carbon ions | 1 | 2,4% |
| Recurrence | | | |
| | infield / field border | 38 | 90,5% |
| | outfield | 4 | 9,5% |
| Particle therapy | | | |
| | protons | 8 | 19,0% |
| | carbon ions | 34 | 81,0% |

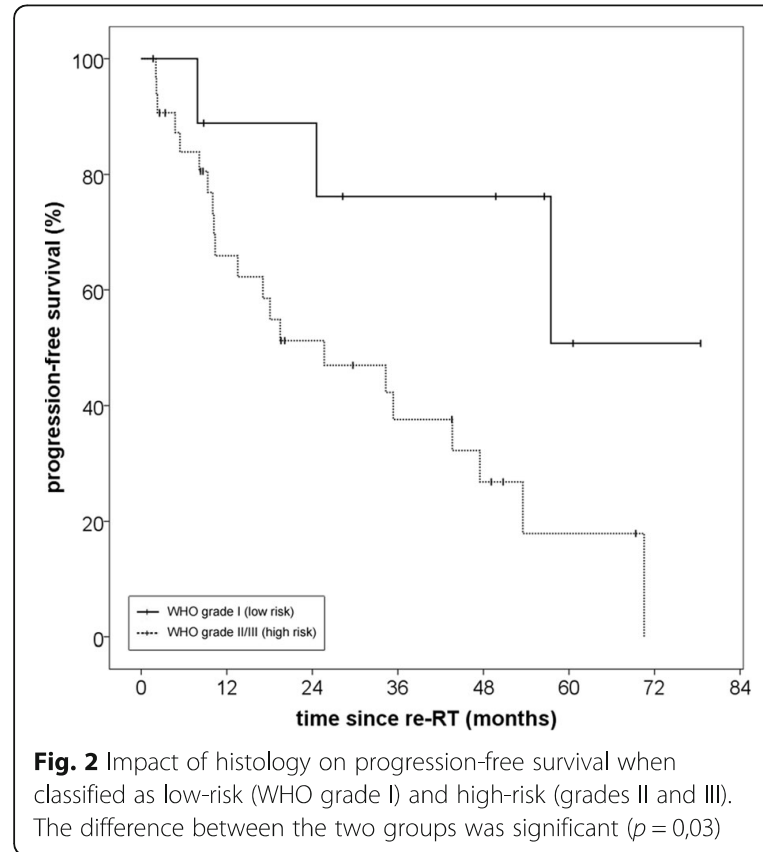


Fig. 2 Impact of histology on progression-free survival when classified as low-risk (WHO grade I) and high-risk (grades II and III). The difference between the two groups was significant ($p = 0,03$)

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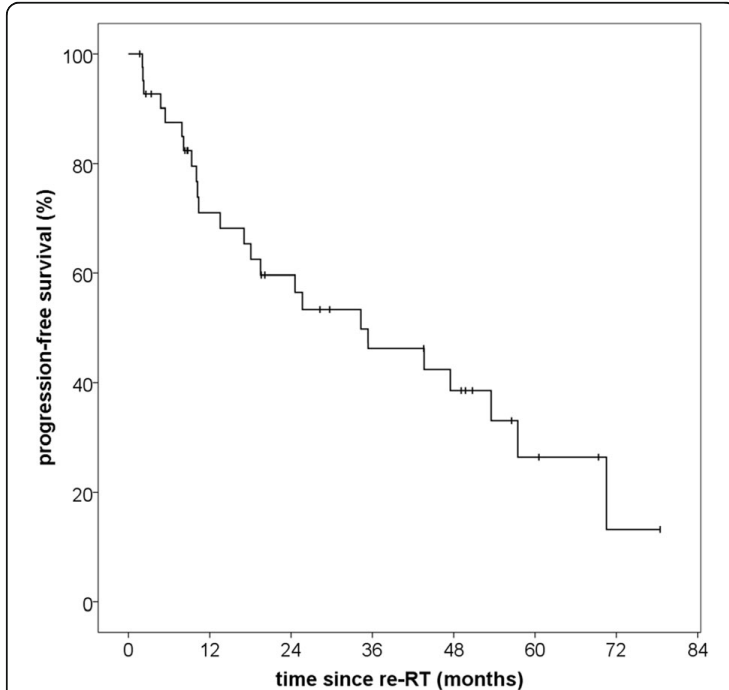


Fig. 1 Progression-free survival for patients with recurrent meningioma regardless of histology after re-irradiation with particle therapy

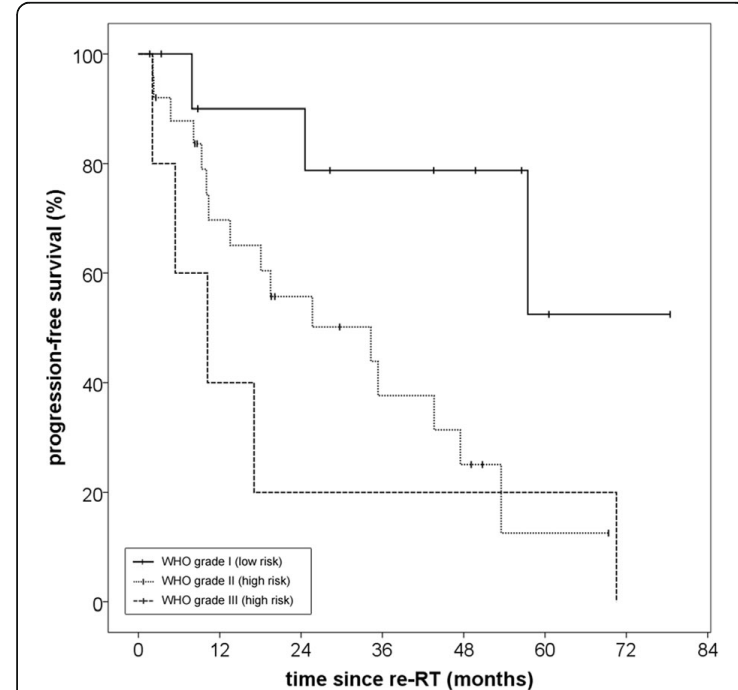


Fig. 3 Impact of histology on progression-free survival regarding all WHO grades separately: The difference between grades I and III was significant ($p = 0.02$) but not between grades II and III ($p = 0.43$)

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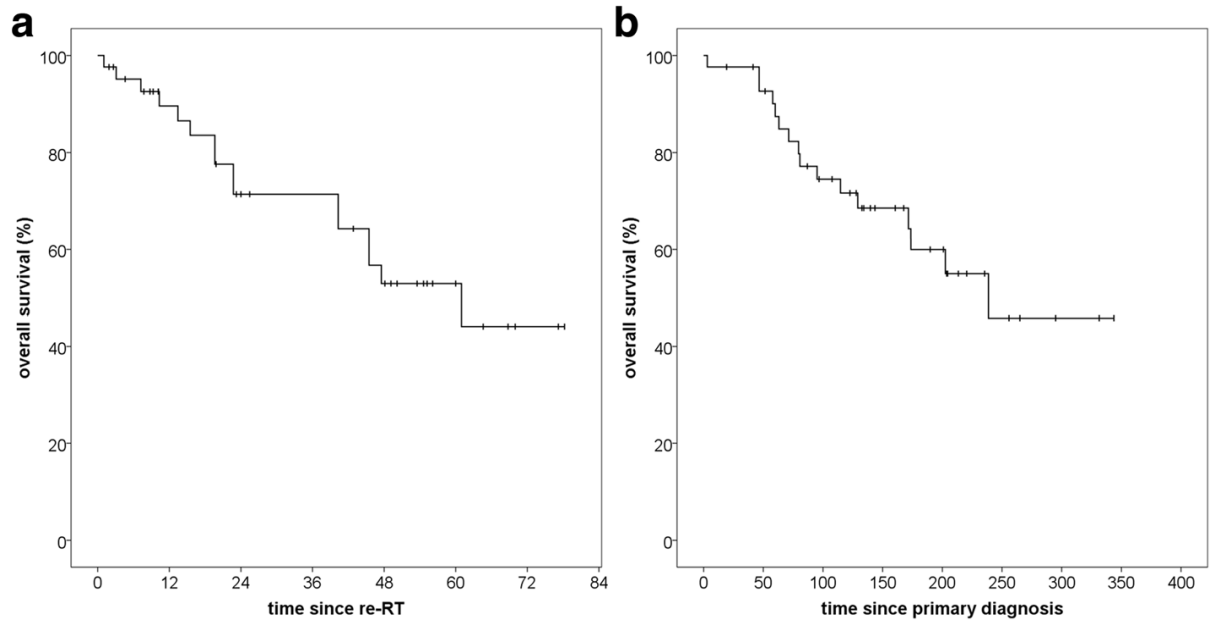


Fig. 4 Overall survival for patients with recurrent meningioma regardless of histology after re-irradiation with particle therapy, calculated from date of re-irradiation (a) and from date of primary diagnosis (b)

Re-Irradiation of Adenoid-Cystic Carcinomas

Table 1
Patient characteristics and radiotherapy.

| Patient characteristics | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Pts | % |
| <i>Re-treatment site</i> | | |
| Paranasal sinus | 19 | 36.5 |
| Base of skull/intracranial | 11 | 21.2 |
| Parotid | 10 | 19.2 |
| Submandibular gland | 3 | 5.8 |
| Nasopharynx | 2 | 3.8 |
| Pterygopalatine fossa | 2 | 3.8 |
| Orbit | 2 | 3.8 |
| Lacrimal gland | 1 | 1.9 |
| Auditory canal | 1 | 1.9 |
| Jaw angle | 1 | 1.9 |
| <i>Re-treatment stage</i> | | |
| T2 | 2 | 3.8 |
| T3 | 10 | 19.2 |
| T4 | 40 | 76.9 |
| T4a | 6 | 11.5 |
| T4b | 34 | 65.4 |
| N1 | 1 | 1.9 |
| N2a | 1 | 1.9 |
| N2b | 3 | 5.8 |
| N2c | 1 | 1.9 |
| M1 | 15 | 28.8 |
| Prior surgery | 7 | 13.5 |
| Macroscopic tumour at re-RT | 45 | 86.5 |
| <i>Radiotherapy</i> | | |
| IMRT + C12-boost | 4 | 7.7 |
| C12 only | 48 | 92.3 |
| | Median (Gy/GyE) | Range (Gy/GyE) |
| <i>Prior radiotherapy</i> | | |
| Nominal dose | 66 | 20–115 |
| BED | 66 | 20–133 |
| <i>Re-irradiation</i> | | |
| Nominal dose | 51 | 36–74 |
| BED | 63 | 45–82 |
| <i>Cumulative life-time dose</i> | | |
| BED | 128 | 67–182 |
| Interval between RT courses | 61 mo | 9–620 mo |
| <i>Treatment volume</i> | | |
| CTV (C12) | 93 ml | 6–618 ml |
| CTV (IMRT); 4 pts only! | 334 ml | 211–344 ml |

Adenoid cystic carcinoma

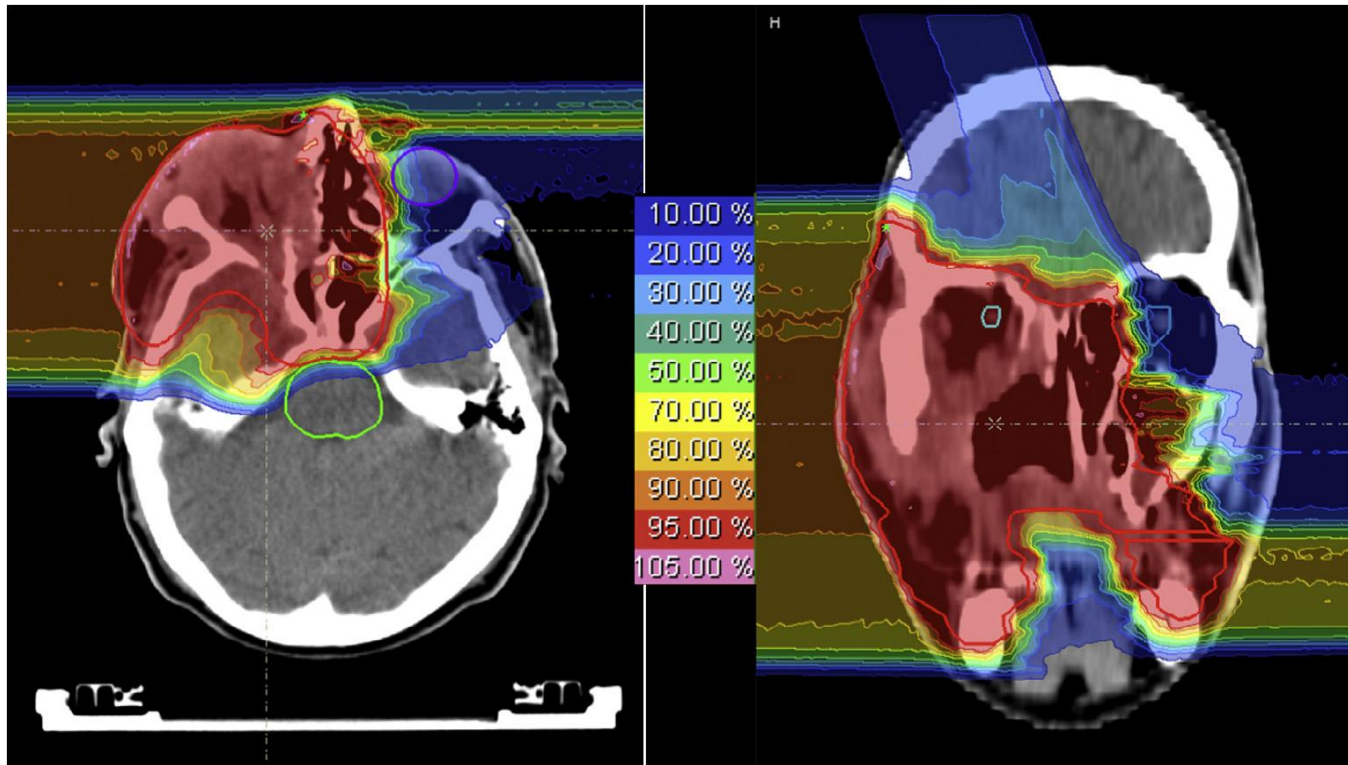
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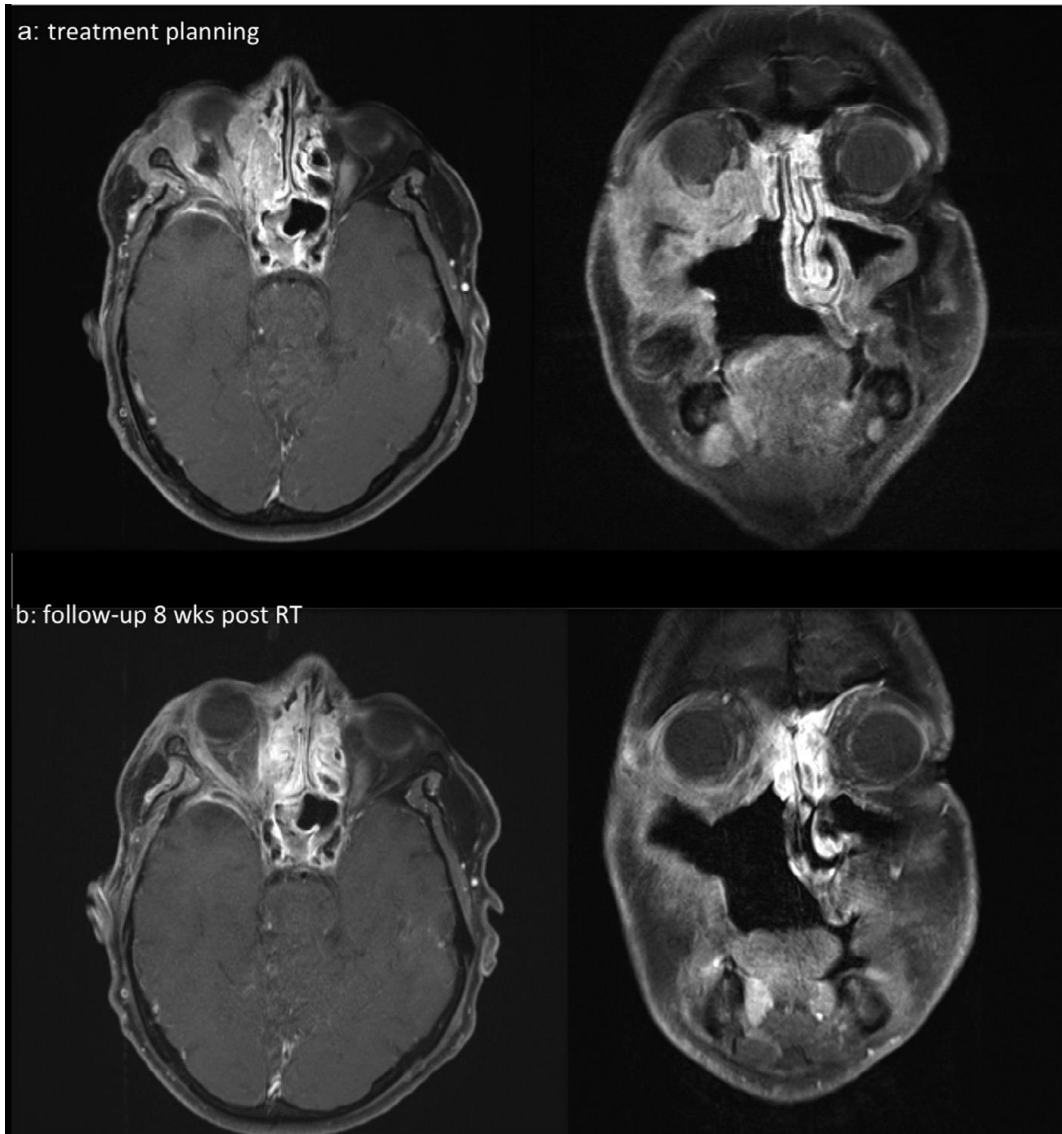
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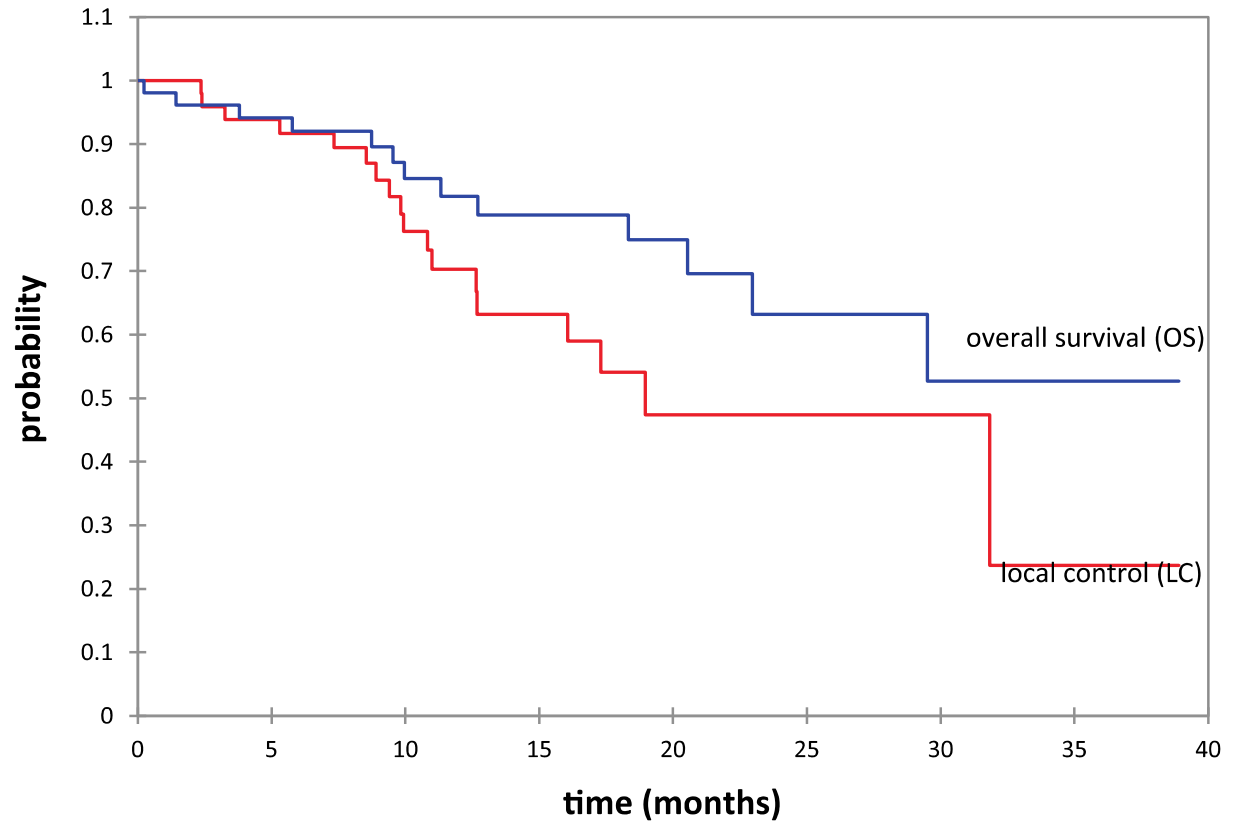
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Re-Irradiation of Adenoid-Cystic Carcinomas



numbers at risk:

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| OS: | 52 | 47 | 35 | 24 | 17 | 9 | 6 | 4 |
| LC: | 52 | 46 | 28 | 17 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 2 |

Re-Irradiation of Head and Neck Tumors with Protons

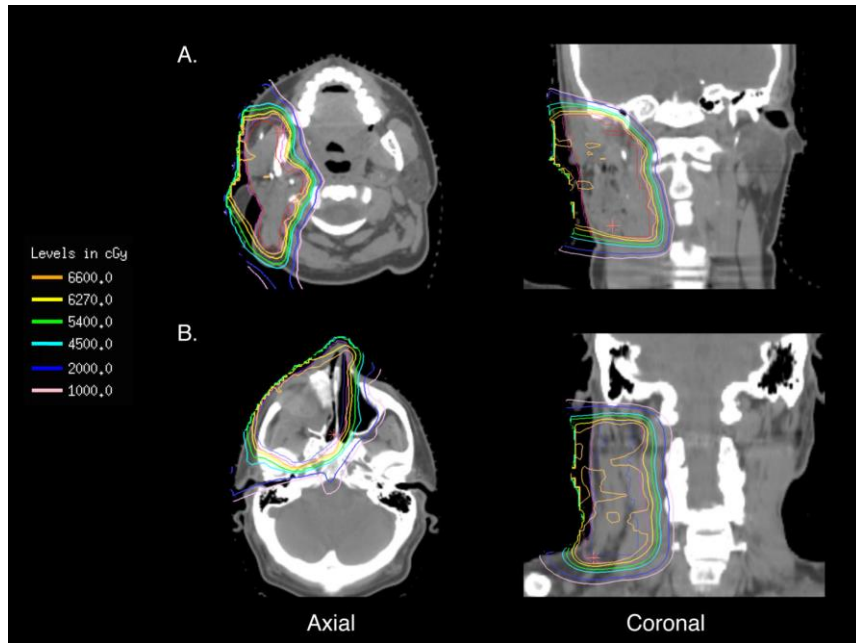
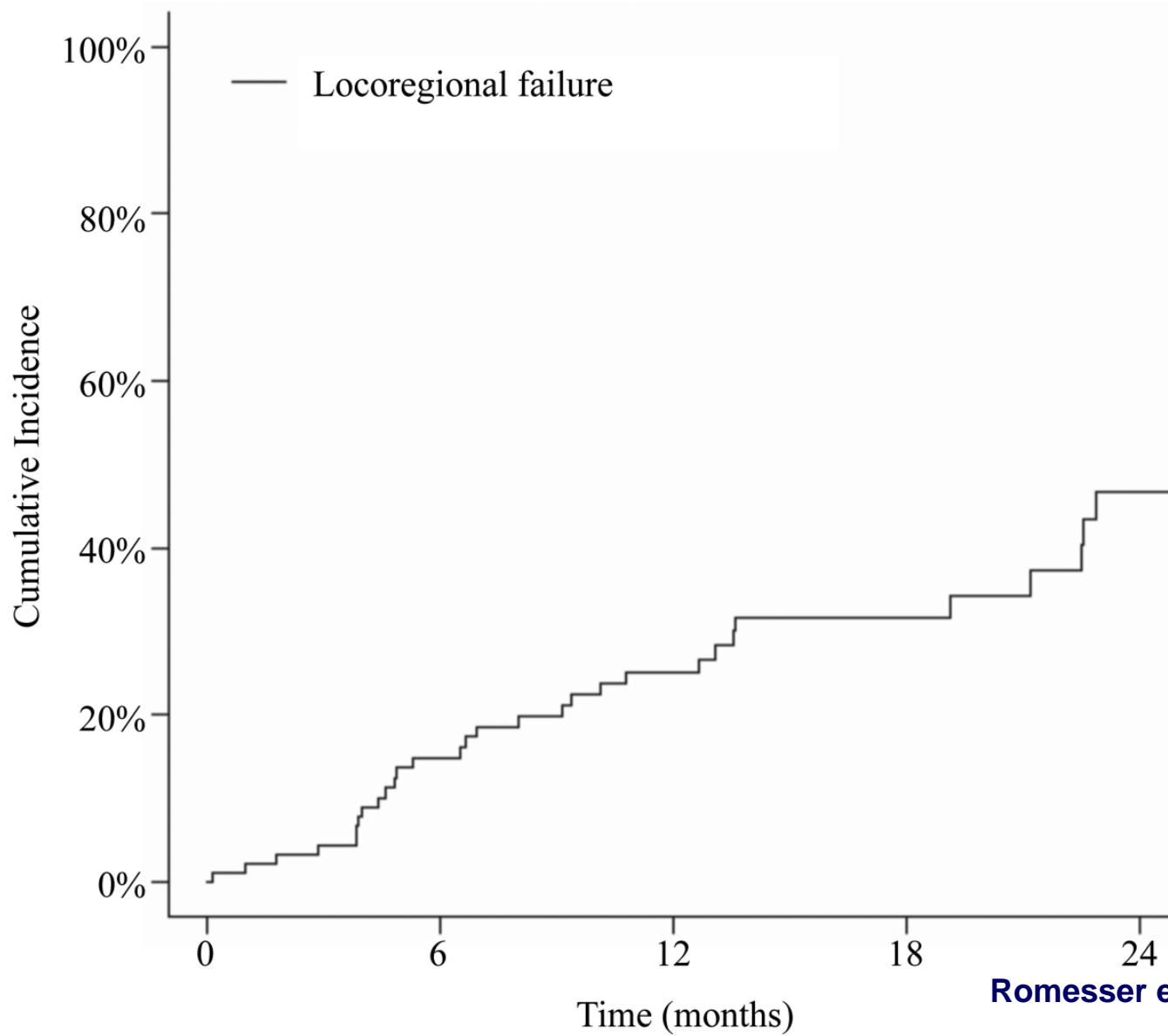


Figure 3. Representative isodose plans for patients under going re-RT for (3a) recurrent poorly differentiated carcinoma with squamous features previously treated to 48Gy with concurrent cisplatin and etoposide after a superficial parotidectomy who developed a local recurrence ~3 years later who underwent re-irradiation with PBRT to 66Gy (RBE) in 33 fractions with concurrent cisplatin in the post-operative setting for a positive margin after a right parotidectomy with right masseter muscle resection, rectus abdominus free flap reconstruction, and selective right neck dissection and (3b) recurrent olfactory neuroblastoma previously treated to 55.8 Gy after endoscopic resection who developed a local recurrence ~2.5 years later who underwent re-irradiation with PBRT to 66Gy (RBE) in 33 fractions in the post-operative setting for a positive margin after a right maxillectomy, extranasal ethmoidectomy, dacryocystorhinostomy, and right modified neck dissection for a positive margin, cortical bone invasion, perineural invasion, and four positive nodes with extracapsular extension. The PTV is in magenta and CTV is in red.

| | All | SCC | non-SCC |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | N (%) | N (%) | N (%) |
| Gender | | | |
| Male | 65 (70.7%) | 38 (73.1%) | 27 (67.5%) |
| Female | 27 (29.3%) | 14 (26.9%) | 13 (32.5%) |
| KPS | | | |
| ≥80 | 65 (70.7%) | 41 (78.8%) | 24 (60.0%) |
| <80 | 18 (19.6%) | 7 (13.5%) | 11 (27.5%) |
| Not recorded | 9 (9.8%) | 4 (7.7%) | 5 (12.5%) |
| Initial disease site | | | |
| Oropharynx | 17 (18.5%) | 17 (32.7%) | 0 (0.0%) |
| Nasal cavity/paranasal sinuses | 12 (13.0%) | 4 (7.7%) | 8 (20.0%) |
| Oral cavity | 12 (13.0%) | 9 (17.3%) | 3 (7.5%) |
| Salivary glands | 11 (12.0%) | 0 (0.0%) | 11 (27.5%) |
| Larynx/ hypopharynx | 10 (10.9%) | 9 (17.3%) | 1 (2.5%) |
| Nasopharynx | 9 (9.8%) | 5 (9.6%) | 4 (10.0%) |
| Other | 21 (22.8%) | 8 (15.4%) | 13 (32.5%) |

Re-Irradiation of Head and Neck Tumors with Protons



Re-Irradiation of Head and Neck Tumors with Protons Table 5

Acute toxicity¹

| | Total | Grade 0 | (%) | Grade 1 | (%) | Grade 2 | (%) | Grade 3 | (%) | Grade 4 | (%) |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|------|---------|------|
| Dysphagia ² | 66 | 25 | 37.9% | 19 | 28.8% | 16 | 24.2% | 6 | 9.1% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mucositis | 91 | 37 | 40.7% | 29 | 31.9% | 16 | 17.6% | 9 | 9.9% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Nausea | 91 | 63 | 69.2% | 21 | 23.1% | 7 | 7.7% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Dysgeusia | 91 | 50 | 54.9% | 23 | 25.3% | 18 | 19.8% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Esophagitis ² | 66 | 41 | 62.1% | 12 | 18.2% | 7 | 10.6% | 6 | 9.1% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Dermatitis | 91 | 10 | 11.0% | 38 | 41.8% | 40 | 44.0% | 3 | 3.3% | 0 | 0.0% |

¹Data unavailable for one patient, admitted during treatment

²Limited to patients without G-tube in place or symptoms prior to treatment

Basic Original Report

Reirradiation of thoracic cancers with intensity modulated proton therapy



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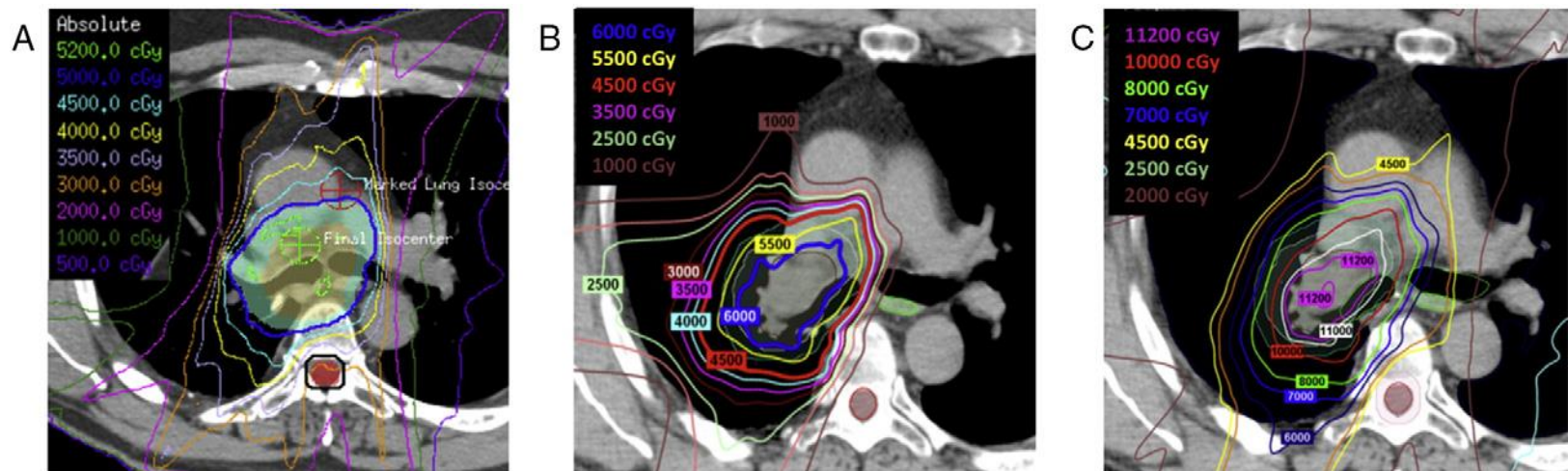


Figure 1 A representative plan showing a patient's (A) previous intensity modulated radiation therapy plan (50 Gy in 25 fractions), (B) reirradiation intensity modulated proton therapy plan (60 Gy in 30 fractions), and (C) composite plan.

Conclusions: These data represent the largest series of patients treated with IMPT for definitive reirradiation of thoracic cancers. They demonstrate that IMPT provided durable local control with minimal toxicity and suggest that higher doses may improve outcomes.

27 patients between 2011 - 2016

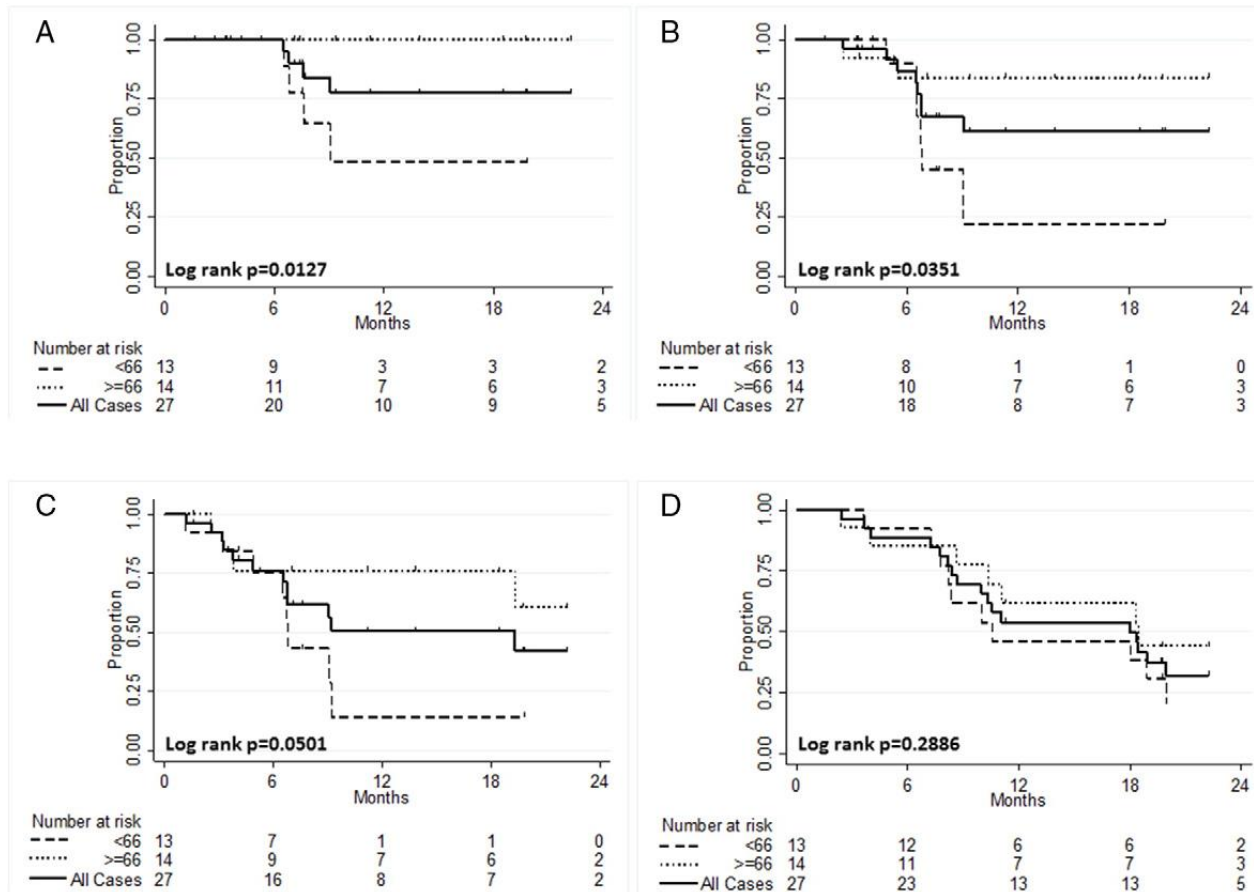


Figure 2 (A) Freedom from local failure, (B) freedom from locoregional failure, (C), progression-free survival, and (D) overall survival among all patients (solid line), patients who received an equivalent dose in 2-Gy fractions of ≥ 66 Gy (small dashed line), and patients who received < 66 Gy (large dashed line).

Improving the Therapeutic Window: Clinical Rationale for Particle Therapy for Re-RT

- **Improved sparing of normal tissue in certain cases**
- **Depending on tumor type, certain benefit of high-RBE**
- **Is it dose to the target of really radiation quality?**
- **Benefit of modern image-guided RT**
- **Heterogeneous biology & other factors influence outcome**
- **Small patient cohorts until now, difficult to do randomized trials**
- **Individual decision making and interdisciplinary discussion essential**
- **if possible in a timely manner, particles should be considered**

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