

6 Questions for Clinical Oncologists

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Who I don't give neo-adjuvant chemotherapy to

Nick James

Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy?

Presenting Complaint

- 61 yr old female
 - Referred from gynae team
- 1/12 difficulty passing urine:
 - “blockage”
 - Frequency (hourly)
 - Nocturia x 5-6
- Weight loss (2kg)
- WHO PS1
- Ex-smoker

MRI



Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy?

Investigation

- EUA + Cystoscopy:
 - Peri-urethral polypoid necrotic mass
- Histology:
 - Transitional cell carcinoma
 - Extensive sarcomatoid changes



What about the elderly and unfit?

Alison Birtle



Why radiotherapy and surgery patients are not the same

- Median Age:
 - Radiotherapy: 75
 - Surgery: 68

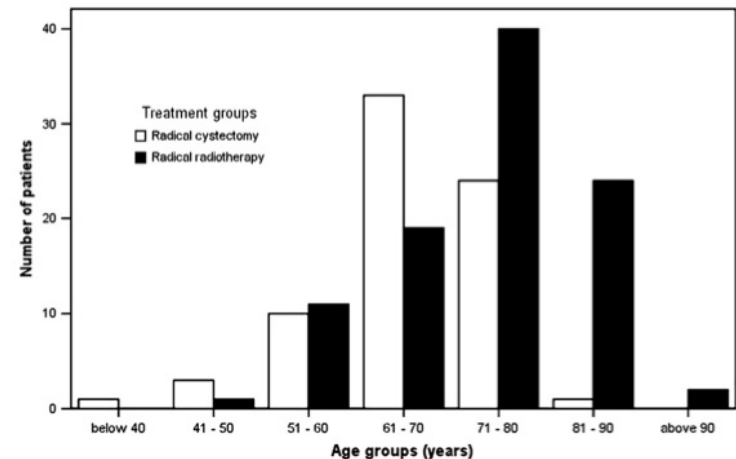
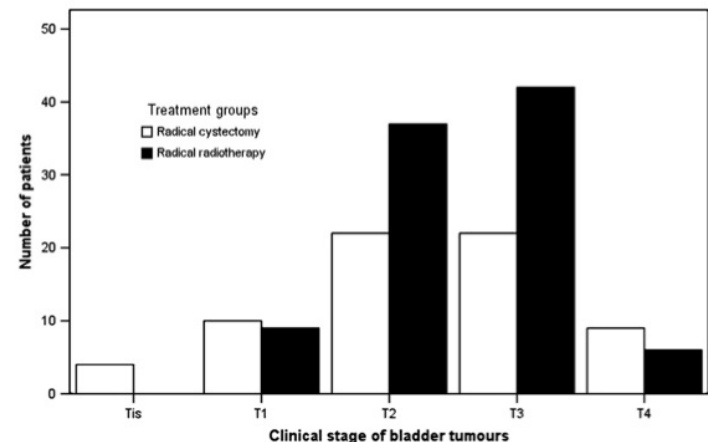


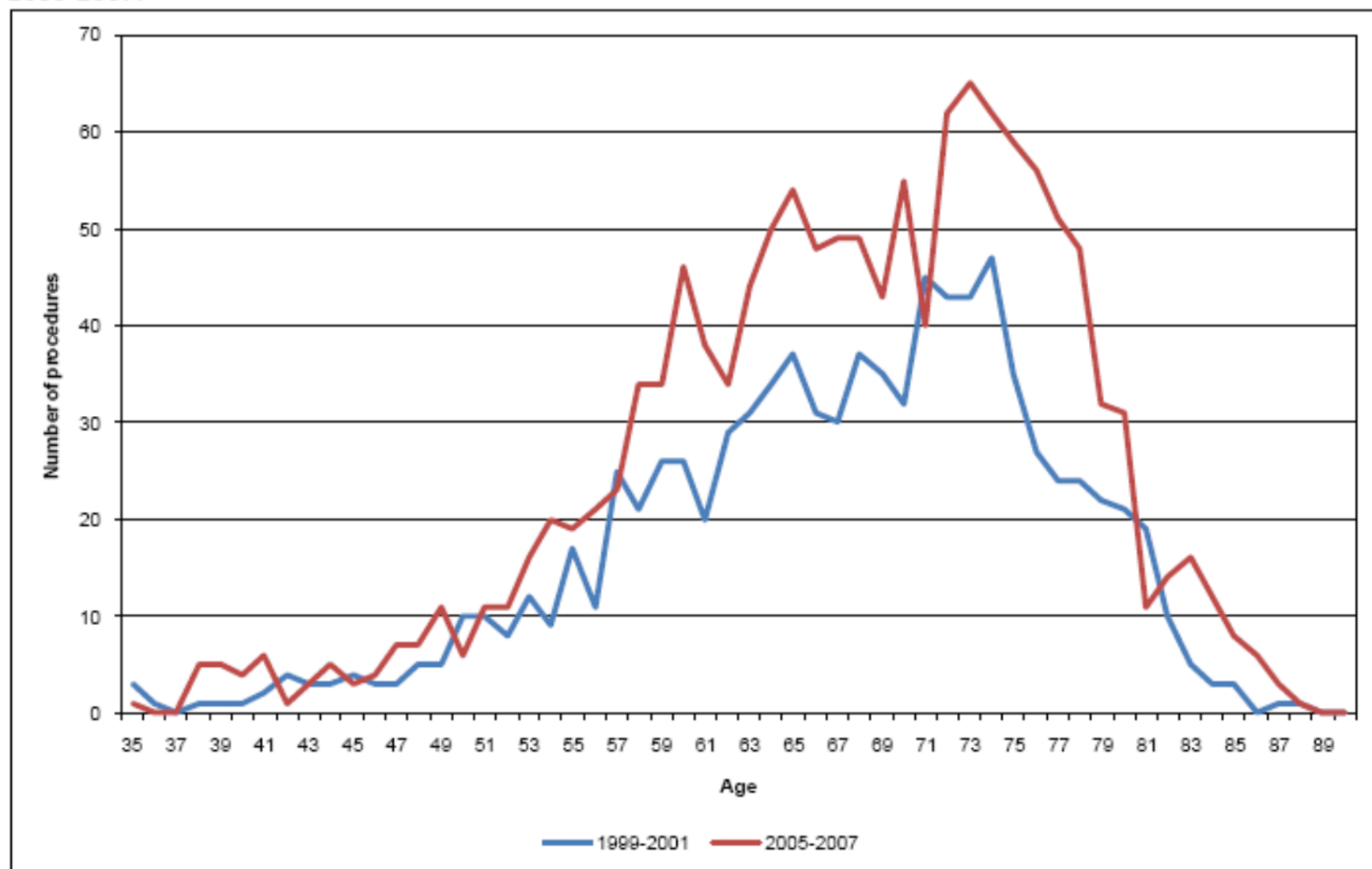
Fig. 1. Age distribution at the time of diagnosis in the radical cystectomy and radical radiotherapy groups.

- Clinical Stage:



Distribution of clinical stage of bladder tumors in the radical cystectomy and radical radiotherapy groups.

Figure 5: Age at treatment for cystectomy, for muscle-invasive bladder cancer, in England, diagnosed 1999-2001 and 2005-2007.



Source: United Kingdom Association of Cancer Registries; Hospital Episode Statistics; British Association of Urological Surgeons

Bladder cancer in the over 80s

	Median [95 % CI]			
	Whole cohort (n=67)	No radiotherapy (n=31)	Radiotherapy (n=36)	
Overall survival (OS)	14.6 [10.3, 22.0]	11.6 [3.4, 14.6]	19.8 [10.3, 31.1]	
Bladder cancer specific survival (BCSS)	24.3 [14.6, 43.2]	14.6 [9.2, 37.4]	31.1 [17.1, 51.2]	
Recurrence free survival (RFS)	26.1 [23.5, 42.4]	23.5 [8.7, NR]	30.4 [25.5, NR]	

Source: Bladder cancer prognosis programme, unpublished data

Chemotherapy or observe pN+

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No Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy

Adjuvant chemotherapy for invasive bladder cancer (individual patient data) (Review)

Vale CL, Advanced Bladder Cancer Meta-analysis Collaboration



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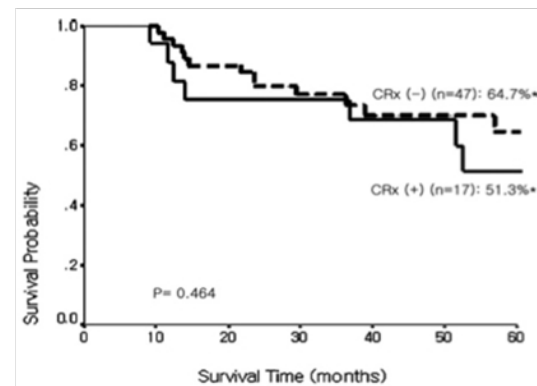
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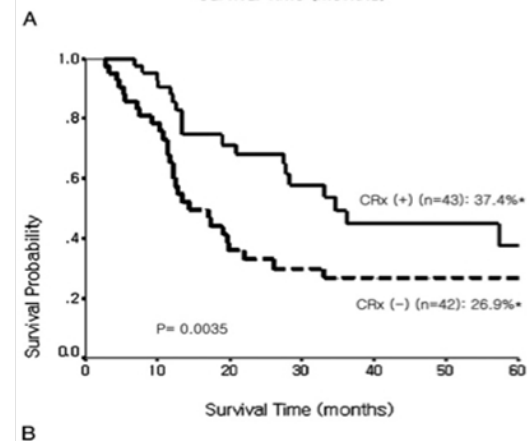
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Retrospective Review



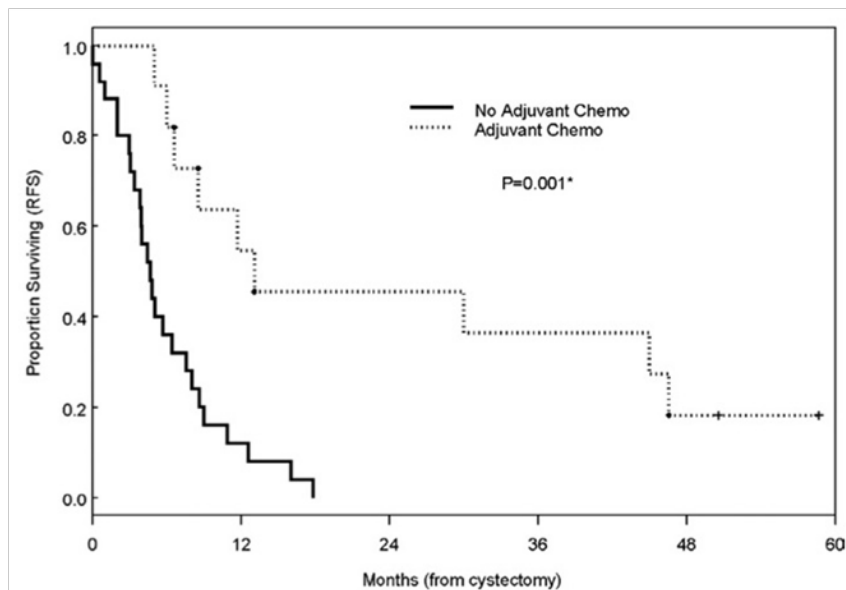
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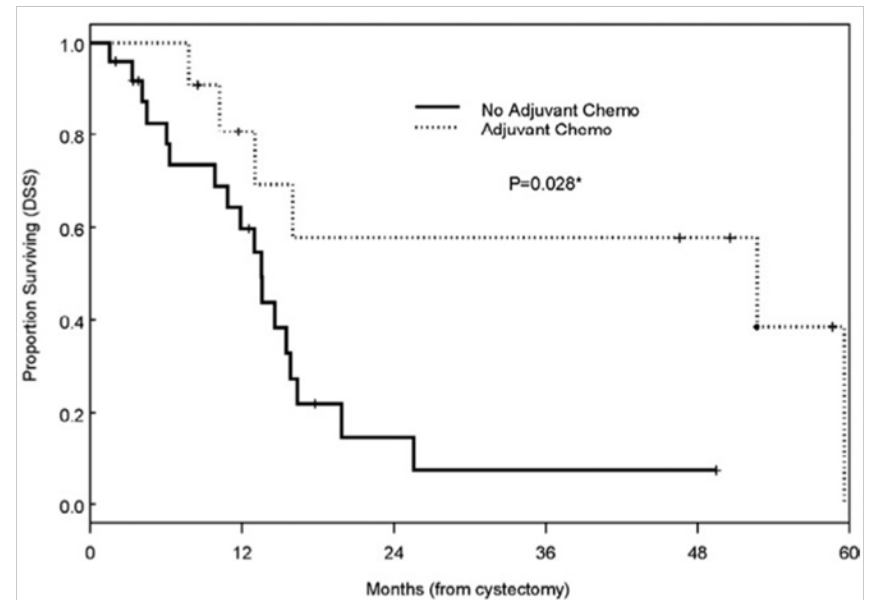
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Post Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy

RFS



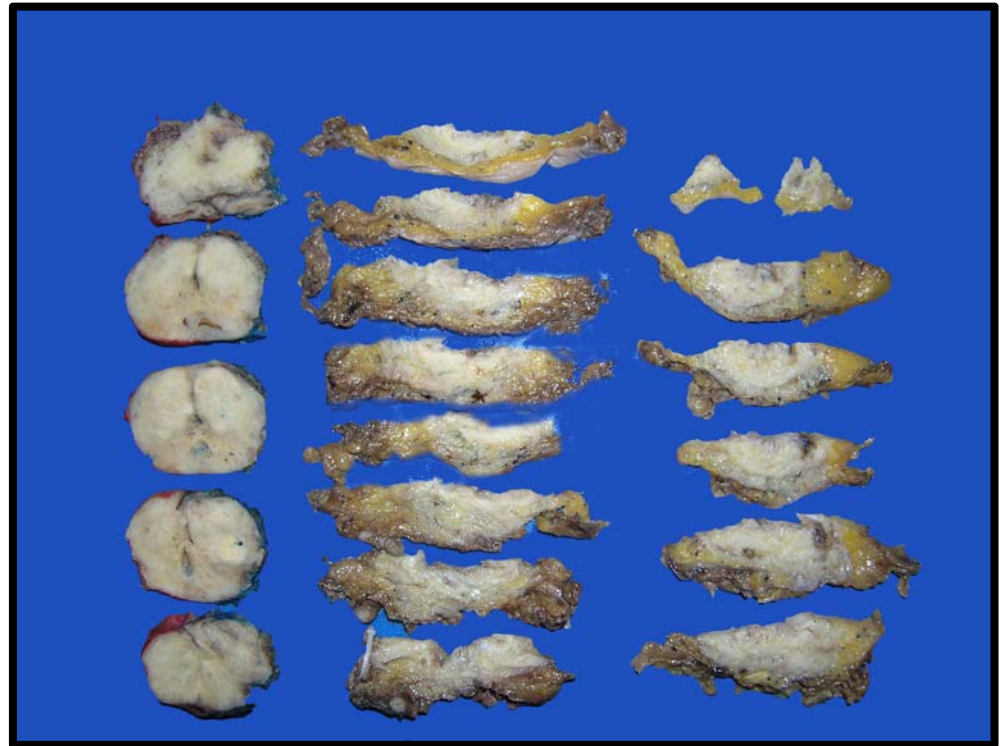
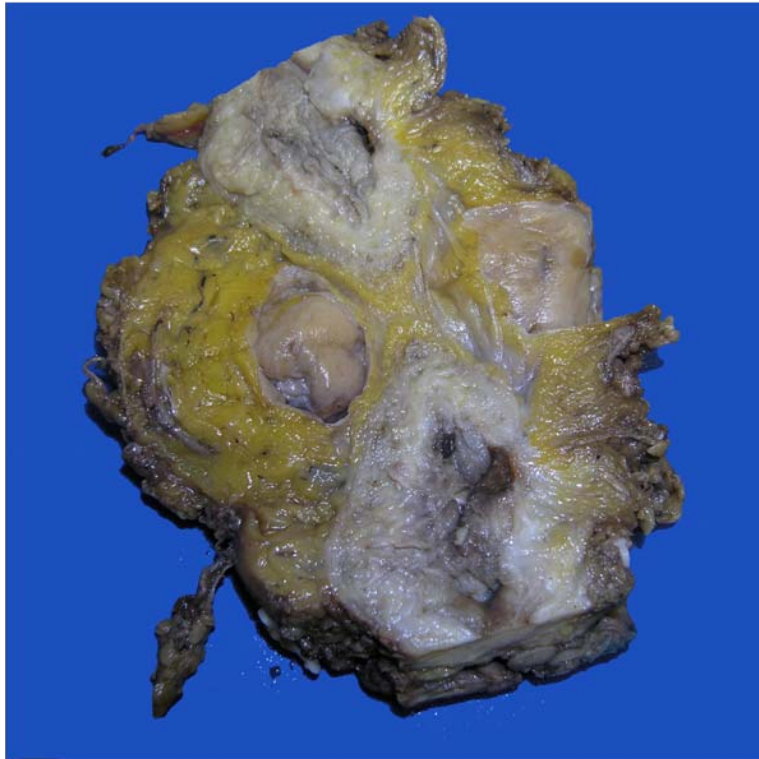
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pT0 post neoadjuvant
chemotherapy
– Still need the cystectomy?

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pT0 v cT0



Can Patient Selection for Bladder Preservation Be Based on Response to Chemotherapy?

Cancer 2003;97:1644-52

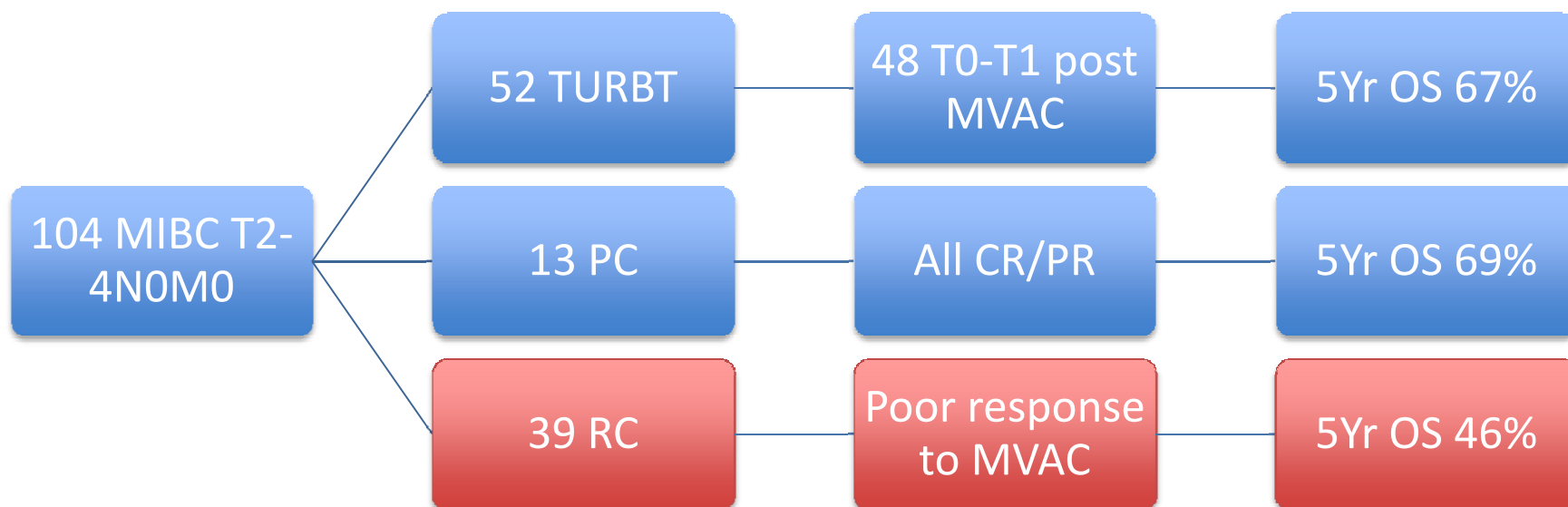
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BACKGROUND. Neoadjuvant chemotherapy for patients with muscle-invasive bladder carcinoma is given to treat micrometastases and to preserve the bladder. The objective of this study was to evaluate the possibility of bladder preservation in patients with muscle-invasive bladder carcinoma who were treated with neoadjuvant methotrexate, vinblastine, doxorubicin, and cisplatin (M-VAC) chemotherapy.

METHODS. One hundred four consecutive patients with T2–T4,N0,M0 transitional cell carcinoma of the bladder were treated with 3 cycles of neoadjuvant M-VAC chemotherapy. After clinical restaging, 52 patients underwent transurethral resection of the bladder (TURB) alone, 13 patients underwent partial cystectomy, and 39 patients underwent radical cystectomy.

RESULTS. The median survival for the entire group was 7.49 years (95% confidence interval, 4.86–10.0 years). Forty-nine patients (49%) were T0 at the time of TURB after

25%: NMIBC
 10%: MIBC
 23%: Mets
 6%: MIBC + Mets
 44%: Bladder Intact



What about the non-TCC histologies?

Alison Birtle

Case

- V fit 90 year old lady
- Recurrent UTIs
- Good bladder function
- Flexi:
 - Tumour
- TURBT:
 - Squamous cell Carcinoma
- EUA:
 - Large mobile mass
- CT: T2/3N0M0



SCC treatment

- Radical cystectomy
 - 5 year survival 33-48%
 - 10 year survival 23 %
- Partial cystectomy –high local recurrence rate
- EBRT “ineffective”
 - data from papers in 1970’s
 - 5 year survival 5-18%

Rundle et al BJUI 2008;54:522-526

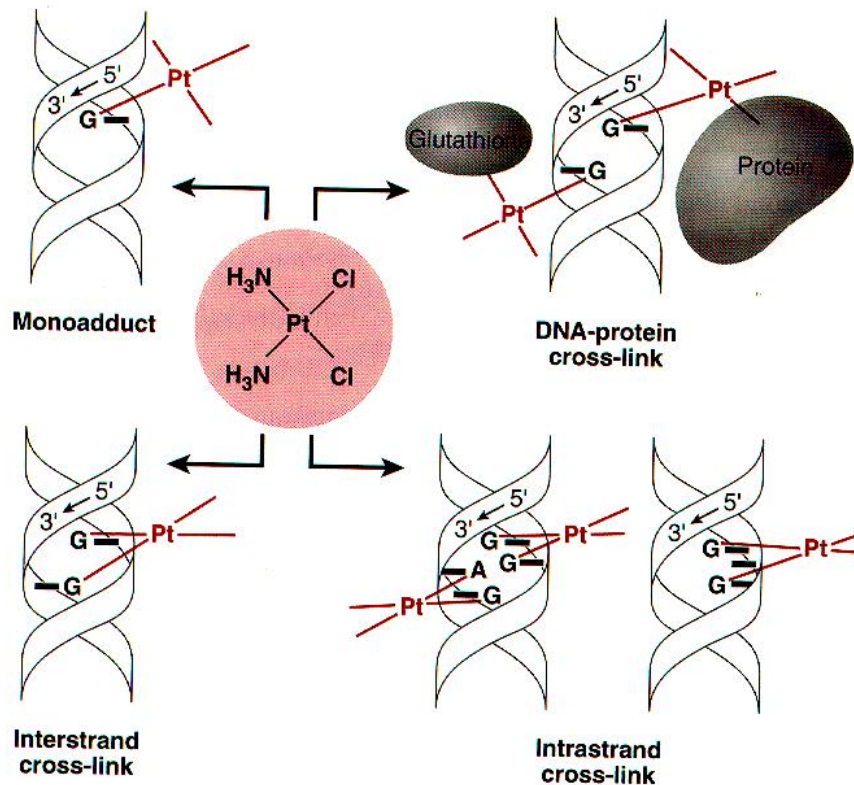
- 114 patients Glasgow 1964-1978
- 92.4% T2-T4
- 8.8% metastatic
- One year survival 23.8%
- 5 year survival 9 %
- 5 year survival after EBRT
 - 16.7% for T2
 - 4.8% for T3
 - (EBRT-understaging effect)

Progress in understanding who might respond to chemotherapy?

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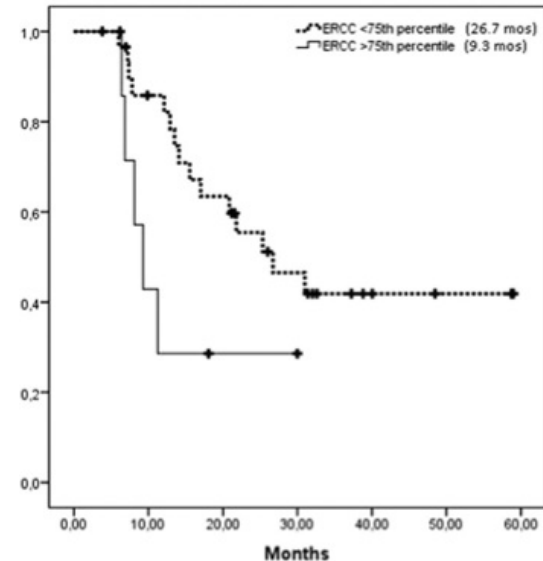
Cytotoxic Chemotherapy

Cisplatin



ERCC1

N = 38	Median DFS	Median OS
Low ERCC1	9.3 mths	9.3 mths
High ERCC1	20.5 mths	26.7 mths
p value	0.186	0.058

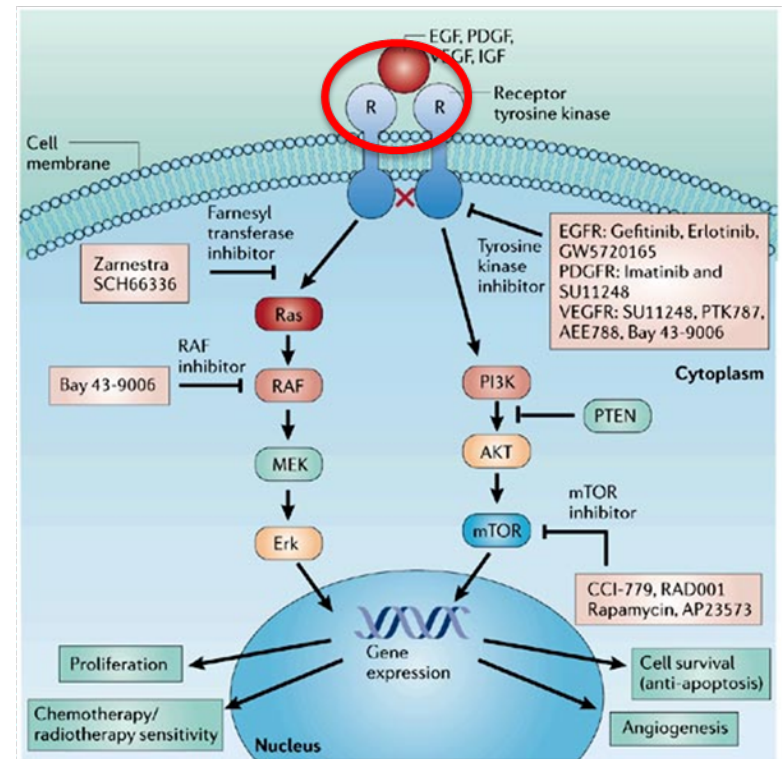


Targeted agents

Under Investigation

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- EGFR: Cetuximab
- VEGF
- TKI: Lapatinib
- mTOR

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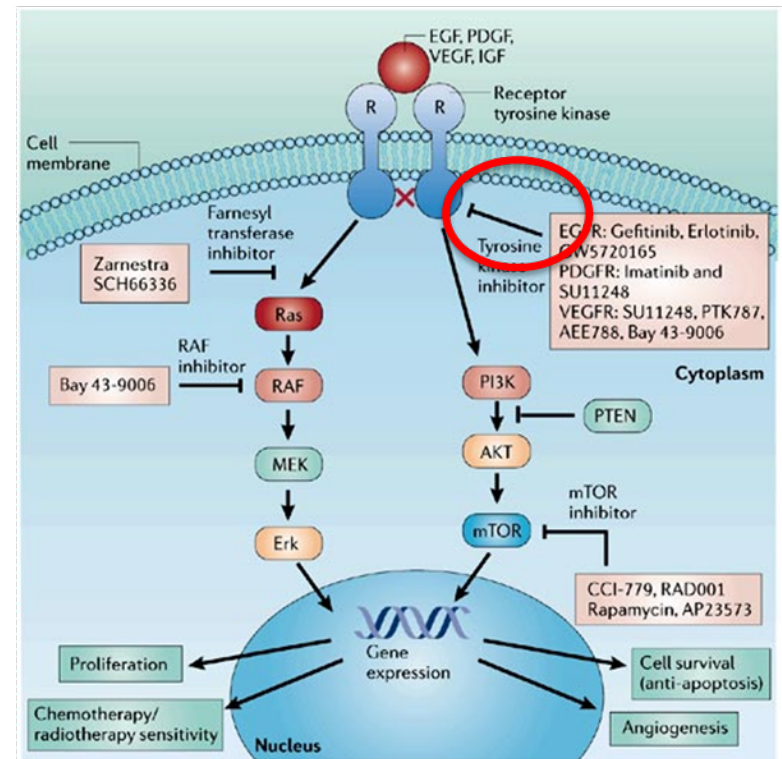


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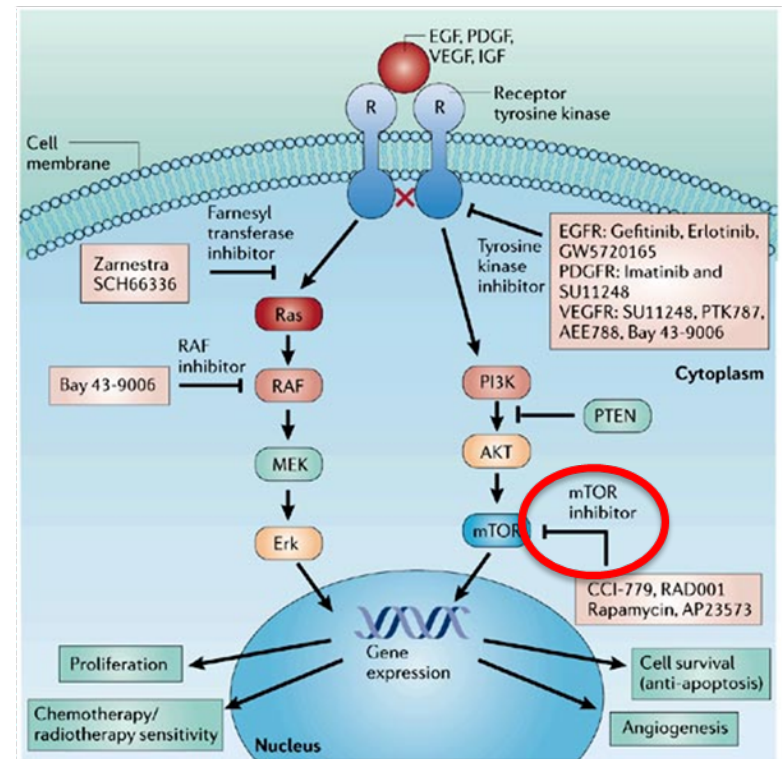


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