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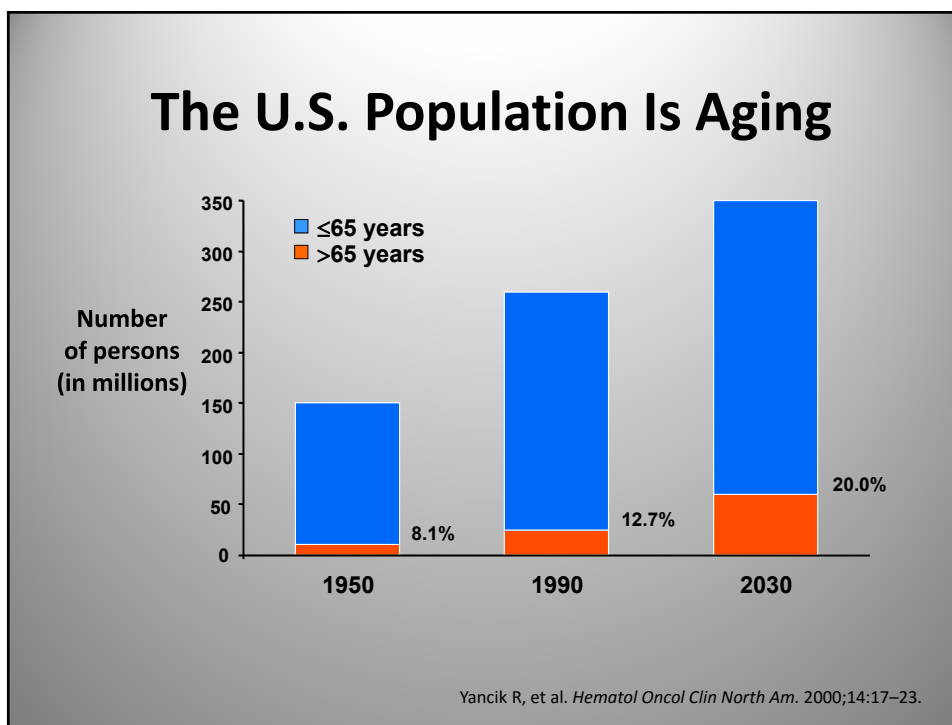
Dr. Sharma is Principal Investigator (PI) or Co-PI for several ongoing clinical trials examining the efficacy of novel agents for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer and other advanced malignancies. He is a member of various professional and scientific societies, including the Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Thoracic Core Committee. He has authored and reviewed various scientific articles, abstracts, book chapters in prominent journals.



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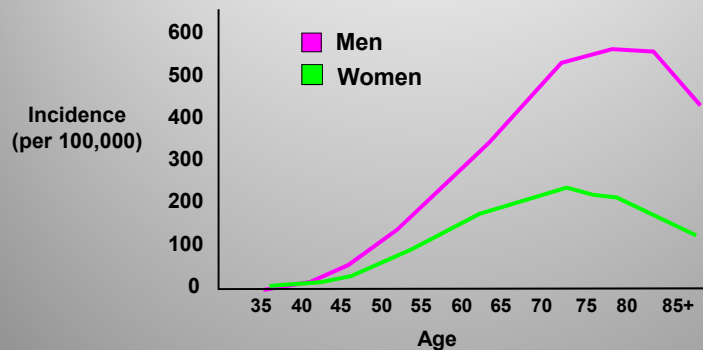
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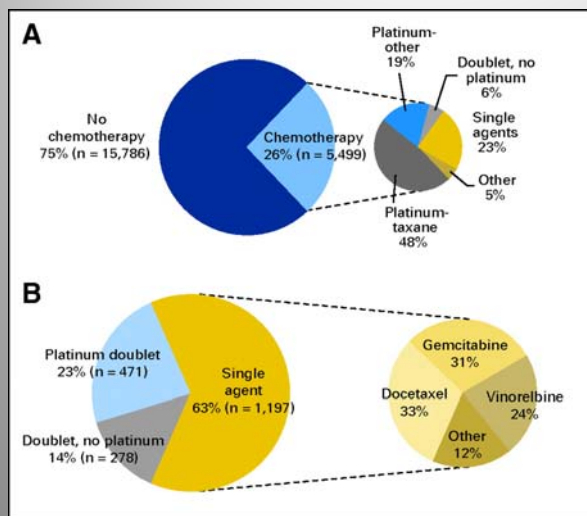
Incidence of Lung Cancer Increases With Age

U.S. incidence of lung cancer by age



Yancik R, et al. *Comprehensive Geriatric Oncology*. 1998:95–104.

Chemotherapy in elderly patients (≥ 65) SEER Database between 1997 and 2002



A: First-line
n = 21285
B: 2nd line
n = 2026

% pts receiving CT :
20.4% in 1997
27.8% in 2002

Davidoff A J et al. *JCO* 2010;28:2191-2197.

Elderly Lung Cancer Patients are Under-Represented on Clinical Trials

- 60% of lung cancer patients are ≥ 60
- 35% - 40% of lung cancer patients are ≥ 70
- Elderly representation on Trials

Study	<u>% ≥ 70</u>
E5592	15%
S9509/9305	19%
E1594	20%
CALGB 9730	27%
UNC	29%

CHALLENGES SPECIFIC TO ELDERLY PATIENTS

Heterogeneity in functional status

Age-related organ function decline

Alterations in Pharmacokinetics (excretion, metabolism, distribution and absorption)

Polypharmacy

Compromised immune responses

Lower marrow regenerative capacity

Comorbid conditions

Quality of life issues (in relation to life expectancy)

CARG (The Cancer and Aging Research Group) model for predicting chemotherapy toxicity in older adults

Age ≥ 72 years

Cancer type GI or GU

Chemotherapy dosing, standard dose

Number of chemotherapy drugs, polychemotherapy

Hemoglobin <11 g/dL (male), <10 g/dL (female)

Creatinine clearance (Jelliffe, ideal weight) <34 mL/min

Hearing, fair or worse

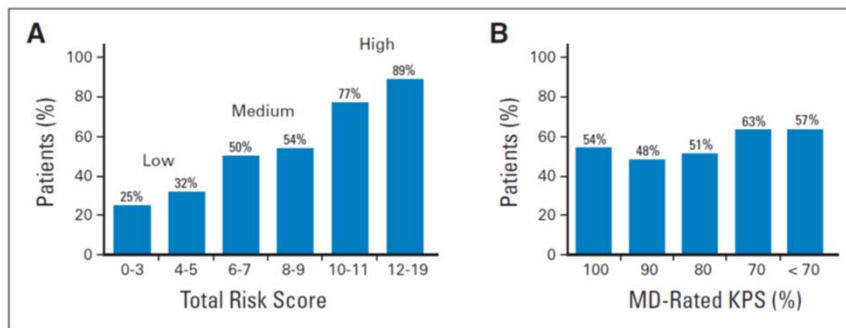
Number of falls in last six months, one or more

IADL (instrumental activities of daily living): Taking medications, with some help/unable

MOS (Medical Outcomes Study): Walking one block, somewhat limited/limited a lot

MOS: Decreased social activity because of physical/emotional health, limited at least sometimes

Arti Hurria et al. J Clin Oncol 2011, 29:3457-3465



Ability of (A) risk score versus (B) physician-rated Karnofsky performance status (KPS) to predict chemotherapy toxicity.

Arti Hurria et al. J Clin Oncol 2011, 29:3457-3465.

Patient is 85 year old female with newly diagnosed lung adenocarcinoma with mets to liver and bones. Negative for EGFR mutation, ALK or ROS-1 rearrangement. She has ECOG performance status of 1 and no significant co-morbidities.

What would be the best approach for first line treatment?

1. Supportive Care Only
2. Single agent Vinorelbine
3. Single agent Gemcitabine
4. Carboplatin and Pemetrexed
5. Carboplatin, Paclitaxel and Bevacizumab

**Treatment of Elderly Patients with
Metastatic NSCLC**

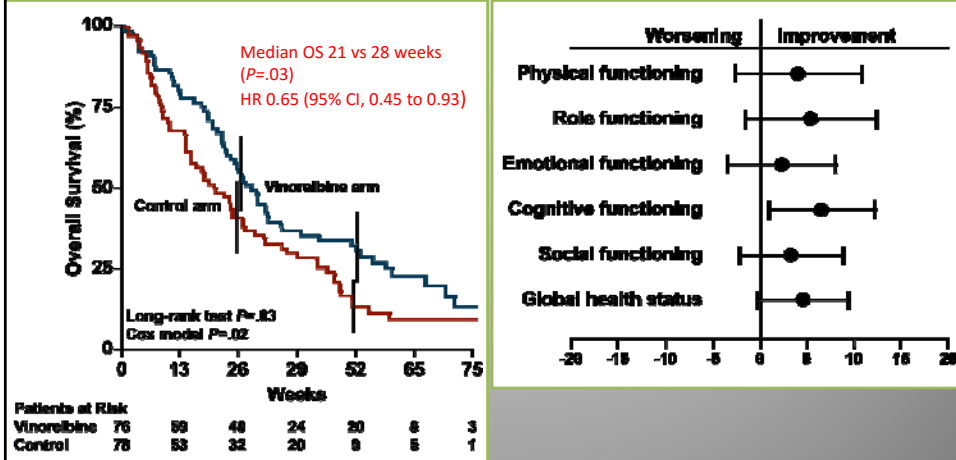
- ❖ Is chemotherapy better than best supportive care?
- ❖ Platinum based therapy or non-platinum?
- ❖ Single agent vs doublet?
- ❖ Bevacizumab or not?
- ❖ Other targeted agents?

The Elderly Lung Cancer Vinorelbine Italian Study (ELVIS): Chemo vs BSC.

Vinorelbine 30 mg/m² days 1 & 8 every 21 days vs supportive care

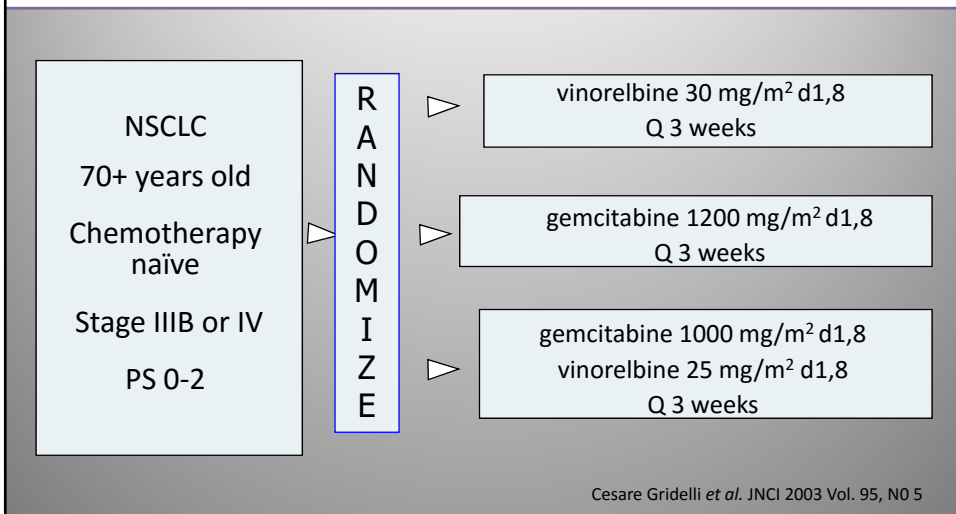
1-year Survival 14% vs 32%

Favorable QoL Overall



ELVIS Group. *J Natl Cancer Inst.* 1999;91:66-72.

The MILES phase III trial: gemcitabine + vinorelbine vs vinorelbine vs gemcitabine in elderly advanced NSCLC patients



Cesare Gridelli *et al.* *JNCI* 2003 Vol. 95, N0 5

ITT Analysis of Efficacy

	VNR	GEM	VNR+GEM
No of patients (n)	233	233	232
Stage IIIB (%)	29	30	31
Response rate (%)	18	16	21
Time to Progression (wk)	18	17	19
Median Survival (weeks)	36 (30-45)	28 (25-34)	30 (27-36) HR 1.17 (vs VNR) HR 1.06 (vs GEM)
1 yr survival (%)	41%	26%	31%

Cesare Gridelli *et al.* JNCI 2003 Vol. 95, NO 5.

ECOG 5592: Elderly Data

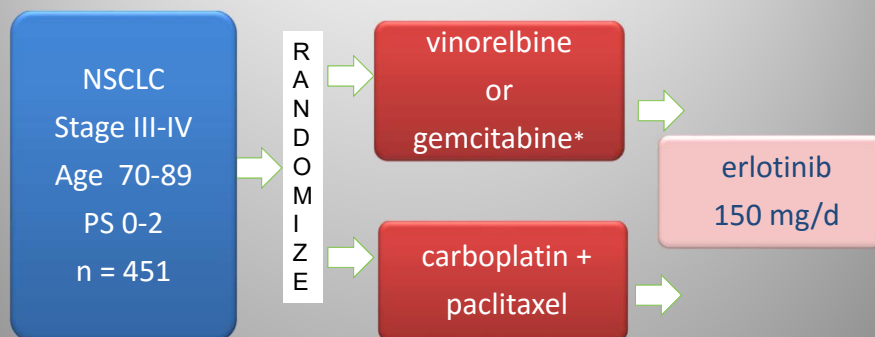
- Patients randomized to cisplatin 75 mg/m² &
 - etoposide 100 mg/m² d 1-3
 - paclitaxel 135 mg/m²
 - paclitaxel 250 mg/m² + G-CSF
- BREAKDOWN by Elderly (≥ 70) v “Young” (<70)
 - Elderly: ↑ cardiovascular ($p=0.0089$) + resp ($p=0.0441$) co-morbidities

Age	N	RR (%)	TTP (mo)	MS (mo)	1 YS (%)	2 YS (%)
<70	488	21.5	4.37	9.05	38	14
≥70	86	23.3	4.30	8.53	28	12
P value		0.666	0.294	Log rank 0.2857		

- ↑ leukopenia ($p=0.0001$) and neuropsych tox (0.0025) in ≥ 70 yrs
- No difference baseline QoL, Trial outcome index

Langer *et al.*, JNCI 94(3): 173-181, 2002.

French Intergroup study (IFCT-0501)



Stratification by center, PS 0-1 vs. 2, age ≤80 vs. >80 and stage III vs. IV

Quoix E *et al.* Lancet. 2011;378(9796):1079-88.

Progression Free Survival (PFS)

• Doublet chemotherapy

- Median PFS: **6.1** months (95% CI 5.5-6.9)
- 1-year PFS: 15.4% (95% CI 10.8-20.8)

• Monotherapy

- Median PFS: **3.0** months (95% CI 2.6-3.9)
- 1-year PFS: 2.3% (95% CI 0.8-5.3)

Quoix E *et al.* Lancet. 2011;378(9796):1079-88.

Overall Survival (OS)

- **Doublet chemotherapy**

- Median OS = **10.3** months (95% CI 8.3-13.3)
- 1-year survival 45.1% (95% CI 38.2-51.8)

- **Monotherapy**

- Median OS = **6.2** months (95% CI 5.3-7.4)
- 1-year survival 26.9% (95% CI 21-33.1)

Quoix E *et al.* Lancet. 2011;378(9796):1079-88.

Adverse Events

- Overall well tolerated
- Grade 3 or 4 neutropenia was more common with the combination compared with monotherapy (48 versus 12 percent).
- Ten deaths (4.4 percent) in the combination arm were attributed to treatment, compared with three (1.3 percent) in the monotherapy group.

Quoix E *et al.* Lancet. 2011;378(9796):1079-88.

Carbo/paclitaxel vs. carbo/nab-paclitaxel

Stage IIIB/IV NSCLC
No prior treatment
for metastatic disease
PS 0-1
N = 1,050

Patients had no active brain
metastases or \geq grade 2
neuropathy at baseline

1:1

albumin-bound paclitaxel
100 mg/m² d1, 8, 15
carboplatin AUC 6 d1
21 Day Cycles

No Premedication

paclitaxel 200 mg/m² d1
carboplatin AUC 6 d1
21 Day Cycles

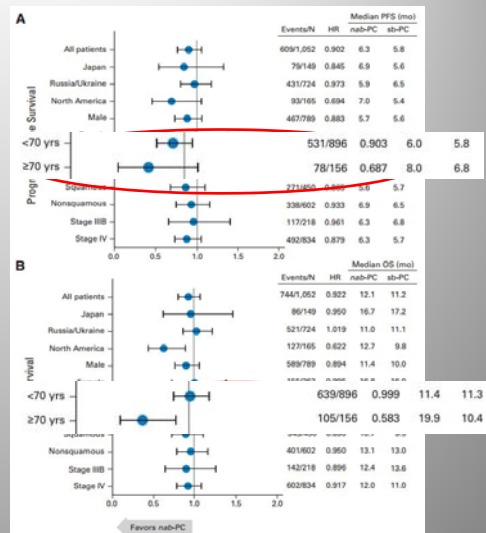
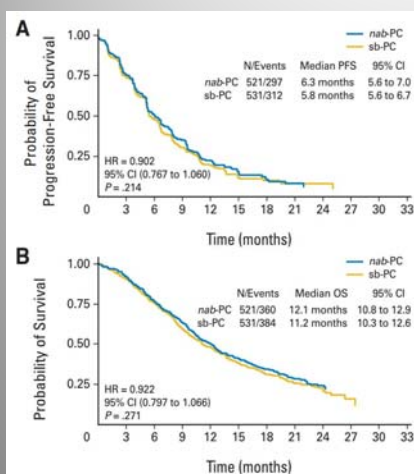
With Premedication of
dexamethasone + antihistamines

Patient Characteristics

	ab-P/C (n=521)	P/C (n=531)	All Patients (N=1052)
Age, median (range) years	60 (28, 81)	60 (24, 84)	60 (24, 84)
<65 years, n (%)	360 (69)	348 (66)	708 (67)
\geq 65 years, n (%)	161 (31)	183 (34)	344 (33)

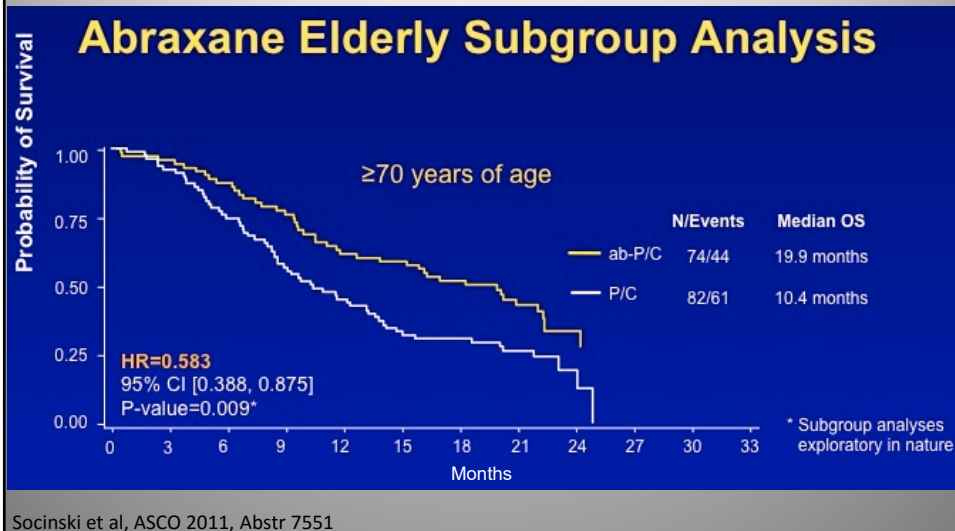
Socinski, et al. 2010 ASCO LBA7511

Carbo/paclitaxel vs. carbo/nab-paclitaxel



Socinski, et al. JCO 30:17, 2012

Overall Survival



Ongoing prospective studies of nab-paclitaxel for elderly patients with NSCLC

Trial ID	Title	Treatment	Primary Outcome
NCT02151149	Phase IV study of nab-paclitaxel (A) in Combination With carboplatin (C) as First Line Treatment in Elderly Subjects With Advanced NSCLC (Aboard.70+)	Arm A: A 100 mg/m ² IV on Days 1, 8, and 15 and C AUC = 6 every 21-day Arm B: A 100 mg/m ² IV on Days 1, 8, and 15 and C AUC = 6 every 28-day	Peripheral neuropathy or myelosuppression
NCT01702844	Phase II, single arm Study of the tolerability of weekly A as second line treatment for elderly patients with NSCLC	A 100 mg/m ² IV on Days 1, 8, and 15 every 28 days	Grade 3 or worse toxicity after 6 cycles or 3 weeks after discontinuation of treatment
NCT02590003	A Randomized Phase II Trial of Combination Versus Single Agent Chemotherapy in High-risk Elderly Patients With Advanced NSCLC	Arm A: A 100 mg/m ² IV on Days 1 and 8 and C AUC = 5 every 21-day Arm B: A 100 mg/m ² IV on Days 1 and 8 every 21-day	Progression Free Survival

Cis/pem vs. cis/gem elderly data (Nonsquamous patients)

Toxicity	Age < 65 Years n = 815 (67.2%)		Age ≥ 65 Years n = 398 (32.8%)		HR OS (all favor pem):
	Pem + Cis (n = 390)	Gem + Cis (n = 425)	Pem + Cis (n = 215)	Gem + Cis (n = 183)	
Thrombocytopenia	11 (2.8)	34 (8.0)	11 (5.1)	32 (17.5)	Subgroup <65: .0.89 Subgroup ≥65: .0.75
Neutropenia	45 (11.5)	107 (25.2)	45 (20.9)	49 (26.8)	
Anemia	23 (5.9)	43 (10.1)	7 (3.3)	19 (10.4)	Subgroup <70: .0.83 Subgroup ≥70: .0.85
Leukopenia	15 (3.8)	34 (8.0)	11 (5.1)	12 (6.6)	
Diarrhea Without Colostomy	6 (1.5)	5 (1.2)	1 (0.5)	4 (2.2)	
Fatigue	26 (6.7)	15 (3.5)	14 (6.5)	12 (6.6)	
Febrile Neutropenia	2 (0.5)	12 (2.8)	6 (2.8)	8 (4.4)	
Nausea	32 (8.2)	17 (4.0)	17 (7.9)	10 (5.5)	
Vomiting	27 (6.9)	29 (6.8)	11 (5.1)	9 (4.9)	

Gridelli et al, Clinical Lung Cancer, 13:5, 2012.

JMEN elderly data: pem vs. placebo

Toxicity	Age < 65 Years n = 319 (67%)		Age ≥ 65 Years n = 157 (33%)		HR OS (all favor pem):
	Pem (n = 217)	Placebo (n = 102)	Pem (n = 103)	Placebo (n = 54)	
Neutropenia	6 (2.7)	0	3 (2.9)	0	Subgroup <65: .0.62 Subgroup ≥65: .0.87
Anemia	4 (1.8)	0	4 (3.8)	0	
Fatigue	6 (2.7)	0	7 (6.7)	1 (1.9)	Subgroup <70: .0.63 Subgroup ≥70: .0.81
Neuropathy: Sensory	1 (0.5)	0	2 (1.9)	0	
Constipation	1 (0.5)	0	0	1 (1.9)	
Distention/Bloating, Abdominal	1 (0.5)	0	0	1 (1.9)	

Gridelli et al, Clinical Lung Cancer, 13:5, 2012.

Treatment Scheme of ECOG 4599

Non-squamous
NSCLC

Absence of brain
metastasis

ECOG PS 0 or 1

Informed consent

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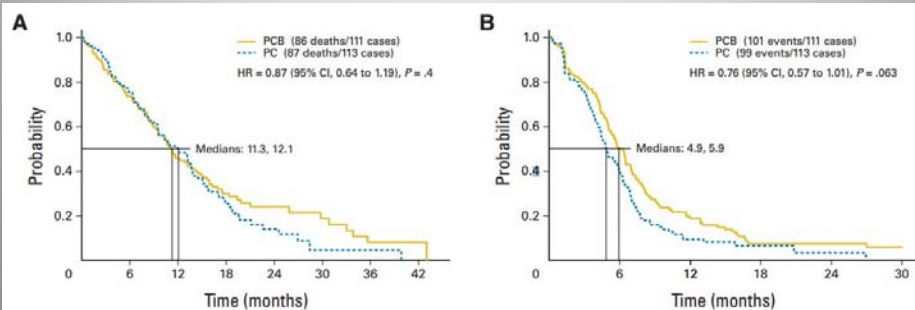
carboplatin (AUC 6)
paclitaxel 200 mg/m²
bevacizumab 15 mg/kg*

carboplatin (AUC 6)
paclitaxel 200 mg/m²

* Bevacizumab continued as monotherapy for CR/PR/SD after 6 cycles

Ramalingam, JCO 26:1, 2008

Subset Analysis of ECOG 4599: Elderly patients treated with bevacizumab in combination with carboplatin and paclitaxel



Ramalingam et al. J Clin Oncol. 2008 Jan 1;26(1):60-5

Safety in E4599

Incidence of gr 3–5 AEs was significantly higher for PCB vs. PC alone

Age	PC + Bev	PC
Grade 3–5 toxicity ^a <75 years	63%	48%
Grade 3–5 toxicity ^a ≥75 years	81%	56%
Grade 5 toxicity ≥75 years	8%	2%

^aP < .005

Rates for discontinuations due to AEs also higher for PC + Bev vs. PC alone

Age	PC + Bev	PC
<75 years	17% (65/375)	12% (49/401)
≥75 years	29% (17/59)	19% (8/43)

Ramalingam et al. J Clin Oncol. 2008 Jan 1;26(1):60-5

PointBreak

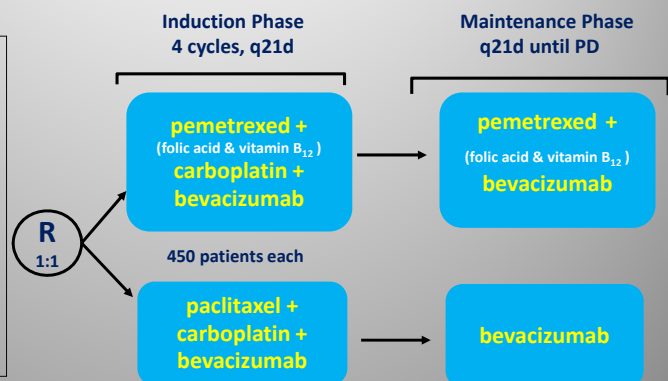
- Randomized, open-label, phase III superiority study
- pemetrexed 500 mg/m²; carboplatin AUC 6; bevacizumab 15 mg/kg
- paclitaxel 200 mg/m²; carboplatin AUC 6; bevacizumab 15 mg/kg

Inclusion:

- No prior systemic therapy for lung cancer
- ECOG PS 0/1
- Stage IIIB-IV NS-NSCLC
- Stable treated brain mets allowed

Exclusion:

- Peripheral neuropathy ≥Grade 1
- Uncontrolled pleural effusions



Primary Endpoint: Overall Survival

Socinski M, et al. ASCO 2013

**Pooled analysis of
Phase III E4599 and
Point Break
Randomized
Clinical Trials
Treatment:
Avastin + PC vs. PC**

Age 65-74

Bevacizumab + PC vs. PC:

- ❖ OS: HR 0.80 (0.64-1.00)
- ❖ PFS: HR 0.62 (0.49-0.78)

Age 65-74

- ❖ OS: HR 0.68 (0.48-0.96)
- ❖ PFS: HR 0.57 (0.40-0.81)

Age <75

- ❖ OS: HR 0.78 (0.68-0.89)
- ❖ PFS: HR 0.69 (0.60-0.79)

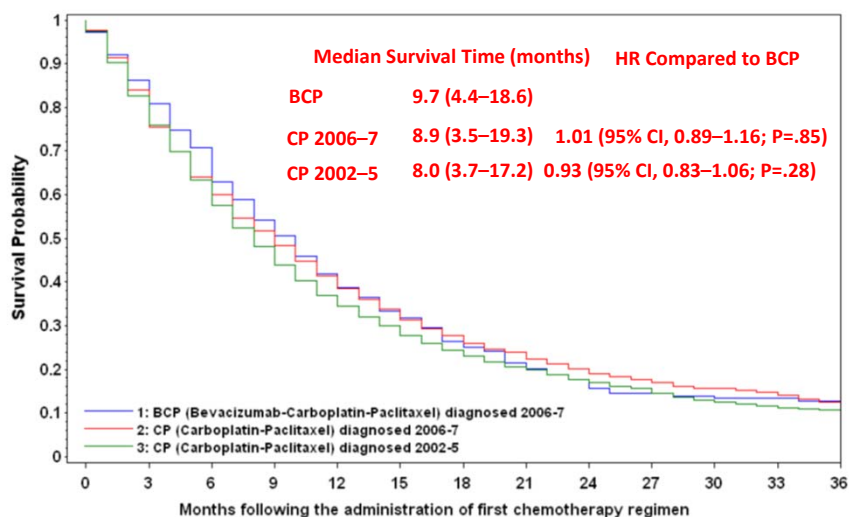
Age ≥75

- ❖ OS: HR 1.05 (0.70-1.57)
- ❖ PFS: HR 0.95 (0.62-1.44)

PC: paclitaxel and carboplatin

Langer *et al.* Am J Clin Oncol. 2015

Retrospective cohort study of Medicare beneficiaries



Junya Zhu *et al.* JAMA. 2012 April 18; 307(15): 1593–1601.

Patient is 82 year old male with T3N1 M0 lung adenocarcinoma, s/p right lower lobectomy and mediastinal nodal dissection. Patient has recovered well from surgery and has ECOG performance status of 0 with no significant co-morbidities.

What would be the appropriate adjuvant chemotherapy?

- A. No need for adjuvant chemotherapy
- B. Cisplatin and Vinorelbine
- C. Carboplatin and Paclitaxel
- D. Cisplatin, Vinorelbine and Bevacizumab

Adjuvant Chemotherapy

- ❖ The standard for patients with stages IB to IIIA (high-risk) NSCLC is postoperative cisplatin-based combination chemotherapy for four cycles.
- ❖ The LACE (Lung Adjuvant Cisplatin Evaluation) meta-analysis reviewed all five cisplatin-containing trials with 4,584 patients; that study reported an overall survival benefit of 5.4% at 5 years.

Pignon JP *et al.* J Clin Oncol 2008;26(21):3552-3559.

An age-based analysis of the LACE data

- ❖ An age-based analysis of the LACE data showed no difference in survival among the age groups of younger than 65 (n=3269), 65 to 70 (901) and older than 70 years (n=414).
- ❖ Elderly patients received significantly lower cisplatin doses and fewer chemotherapy cycles.
- ❖ Rates of severe toxicity were comparable between groups.

Martin Fr  h et al. J Clin Oncol 2008, 26:3573-3581.

Ontario Cancer Registry Data

- ❖ Outcome of elderly (≥ 70 years) patients (n=2763) treated before (2001–2003) or after (2004–2006) the adoption of adjuvant chemotherapy.
- ❖ The cisplatin/vinorelbine combination was the most frequently used doublet across all age groups.
- ❖ Adjuvant chemotherapy administration was associated with a significant survival benefit in the elderly (although not for patients older than 80 years, n = 282) with tolerability similar to that of patients <70 years.

Sinead Cuffe et al. J Clin Oncol 2012, 30:1813-1821.

- ❖ Wisnivesky *et al.* reported the data from SEER database for 3,324 patients who were 65 years of age or older. No survival advantage was observed in patients older than age 80 years (HR, 1.33; 95% CI, 0.86 to 2.06).
- ❖ Comparison of carbo vs cisplatin based adjuvant chemotherapy in SEER-Medicare database showed comparable OS benefit and a slightly better toxicity profile.

Wisnivesky et al. BMJ 2011, 343:d4013 and (J Clin Oncol 29: 2011 (suppl; abstr 7014)

Adjuvant Chemotherapy in Elderly

- Adjuvant chemotherapy is associated with survival benefit in the elderly and therefore it should not be denied to these patients.
- The benefit of adjuvant chemotherapy has not been established in patients 80 years of age or older and should be undertaken with extra caution.
- Although there is lack of prospective data, carboplatin based regimen may be acceptable when patient is not a cisplatin candidate.

Locally Advanced NSCLC

- Elderly patients with locally advanced NSCLC are more likely to receive no treatment.
 - In one large series by Davidoff et al. based on SEER registry (n = 6325 patients, ≥66 years), 34% of these patients received no treatment at all.
 - Similarly Veterans Affairs Central Cancer Registry (n = 4635 patients, ≥65 years) reported that 35% of patients received no treatment.
- Mixed data from the retrospective analyses of large randomized trials. Most post 2000 trials showed similar benefit of CRT (concurrent or sequential) compared to younger patients with increased toxicity. (NCCTG 94-24-52, CALGB and RTOG 94-10)

JCOG0301: A randomized, phase III trial of thoracic radiotherapy with or without daily low-dose carboplatin in elderly patients with NSCLC.

Unresectable stage
IIIA or IIIB NSCLC

Age > 70 years

Not eligible for
cisplatin

ECOG PS 0-2

Excluded if had COPD
or uncontrolled heart
disease

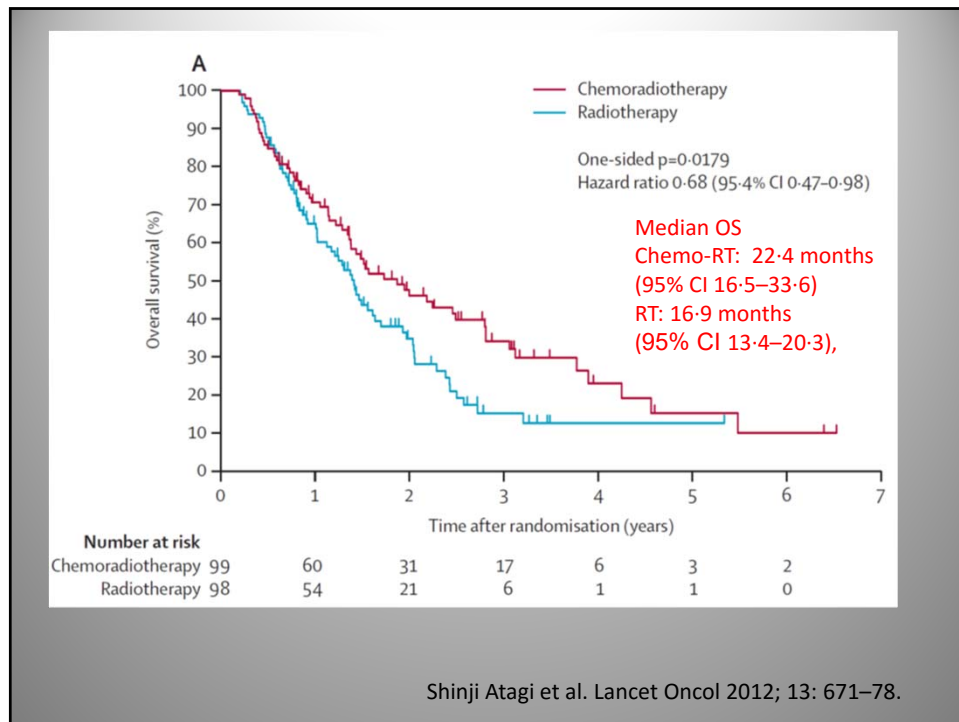
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Chemo-RT with weekly low
dose carboplatin (n=100)

RT alone (n=100)

Shinji Atagi et al. Lancet Oncol 2012; 13: 671–78

Carboplatin was administered (30 mg/m²) 1 h before radiotherapy for the first 20 fractions,
RT consisted of 60 Gy given as 30 fractions over 6 weeks.



Adverse Events

- ❖ Higher grade 3–4 hematological toxicity in Chemo-RT group than in the radiotherapy alone group. Neutropenia (57.3% vs none), and thrombocytopenia (29.2% vs 2.0%).
- ❖ Higher Grade 3 infection in Chemo-RT group (12.5%) than with radiotherapy (4.1%).
- ❖ Similar incidences of grade 3–4 pneumonitis and late lung toxicities between groups.

Shinji Atagi et al. Lancet Oncol 2012; 13: 671–78

- Only prospective randomized study showing benefit of CRT over RT alone in elderly.
- Several Limitations...
 - RT alone is not considered standard treatment for fit elderly patients
 - Weekly carboplatin/RT is not standard for concurrent chemo-RT for locally advanced disease.
 - Study only included Asian, good performance status (96.4% pts had PS 0 and 1)
 - Patients had limited co-morbidities (pts with COPD and uncontrolled heart disease were excluded).
 - Study did not include geriatric functional assessment of patients.
- Extrapolation of its conclusions to the general elderly western population should be made with caution.

Early Stage Disease

- Limited resections and omission of systematic mediastinal lymphadenectomy can be considered in the elderly on the basis of retrospective data.
- Pneumonectomy should be avoided when possible given the higher mortality associated with this procedure.
- VATS might be an option for elderly since it is associated with lower incidence of postoperative morbidity.
- For elderly patients who are not operable for medical reasons, SABR (stereotactic radiation) could represent an alternative with less adverse events and similar outcome, although prospective data are needed.

A. G. Pallis et al. Annals of Oncology 25: 1270–1283, 2014

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