

Adjuvant radiotherapy for women with newly diagnosed , non-metastatic breast cancer

AN UPDATE ON RADIOTHERAPY

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The golden standard after BCS – Whole Breast Radiotherapy (WBRT)

- Eradication of any tumour deposits remaining following BCS
- Reducing risk of local/locoregional recurrence (reduction of the 10-year risk of any recurrence 35% vs 19%)*
- Improving breast cancer-specific and overall survival (reduction of the 15-year risk of BCD 25 vs 21 %)*
- After neoadjuvant therapy, regardless of the pathological response
- Hypofractionated RT (15-16 fx) °
- RT boost for further reduction of IBTR

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* EBCTCG, Darby et al. Lancet 2011;378:1707
 ° FAST Trialists group;Radiother Oncol 2011;100:99

(A)PBI - Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation

 High dose of RT to a limited volume of tissue, encompassing the lumpectomy bed

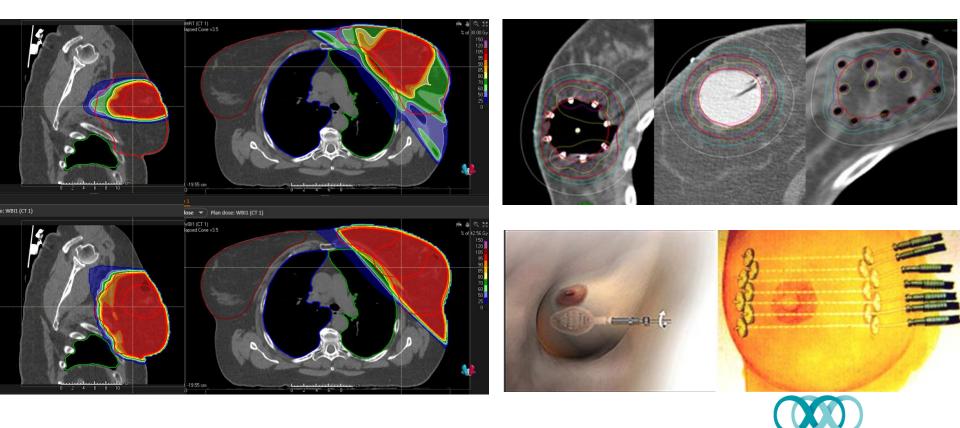
- Higher dose per day, shorter treatment time (1-7 days)
- Patient selection criteria (women with low risk disease):
 - \geq 50 years
 - Small tumours (≤ 2 cm)
 - Negative SNL/LN
 - Negative surgical margins



Different Techniques of APBI

External RT

Intracavitary/ interstitial BT





Is the time ready for APBI?

YES,

after adequate selection

GEC- ESTRO Trial¹ FLORENCE Trial² IMPORT LOW Trial³

NSABP-B39⁴

RAPID Trial⁵



non inferiority RR, similar OS

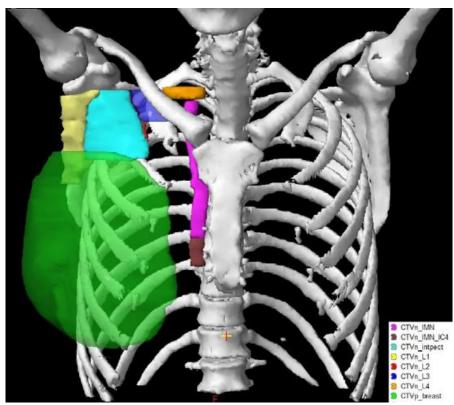
APBI did not meet the criteria for equivalence, BUT an absolute difference of less than 1% in the 10year cumulative incidence of IBTR

cosmesis and side effects increased

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Strnad et al. Lancet. 2016¹ Becherini et al.Tumori. 2019² Coles CE et al. Lancet. 2017³ Vicini FA Lancet. 2019⁴ Olivotto IA et al. J Clin Oncol. 2013⁵

Regional Lymphnodes from a Radiation Oncologist 's View

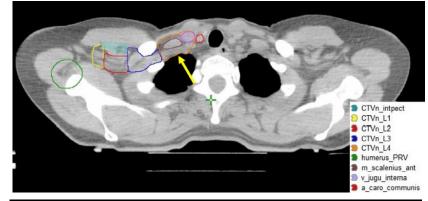


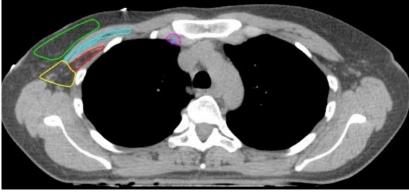
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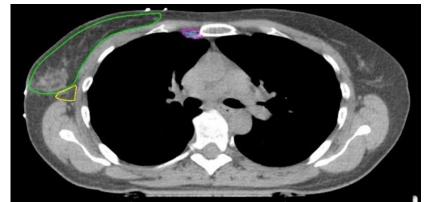
illary LN

CTVn_intpec interpectoral LN

CTVn_L3 CTVn L4 ➡ Infra/supraclaviculary LN







Regional Node Irradiation (RNI) after BCS +/- ALND

1. BCS + pN+ (≥4)Supra/Infraclavicular LNno ALND/ext. LN-Involvement+ Axillary LN

2. BCS + pN+(1-3)

- + "risk factors"
- Age
- TNBC
- no pCR
- KI-67 > 30%
- G3
- L1
- Medial/Central Tumor

NCIC-CTG MA.20 Trial EORTC 22922/10925 Trial EBCTCG meta-analysis SABCS 2018 Supra/Infraclavicular LN (+ Axillary LN)



Regional Node Irradiation (RNI) after Mastectomy +/- ALND

High risk of locoregional recurrence

PMRT

• **T**4

• **T3pN0** + risk factors (G3, L1, premeno. (Age < 50 a)

• ≥4 LN

• *R1/R2* situation

Intermediate risk of locoregional recurrence

> PMRT has to be discussed

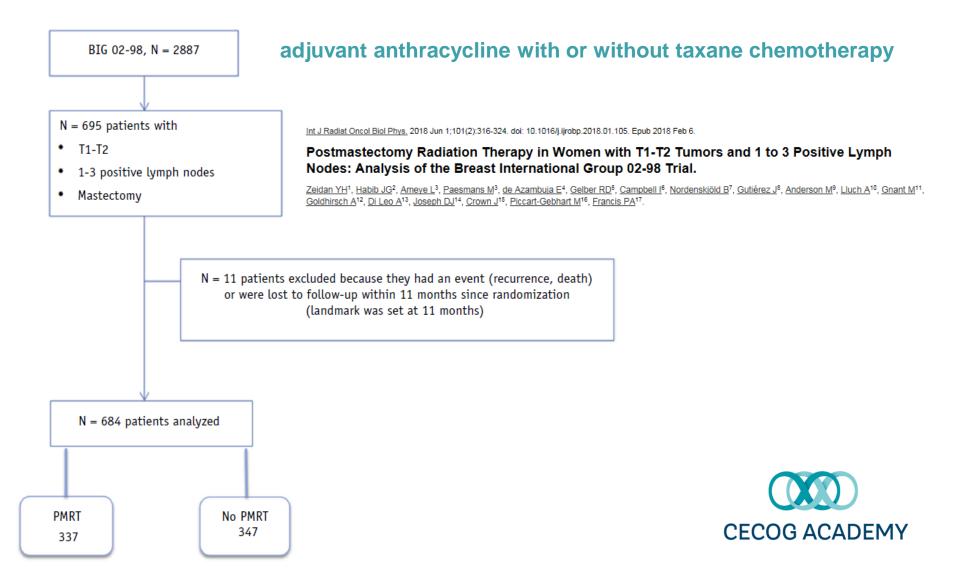
Low risk of locoregional recurrence

> no PMRT

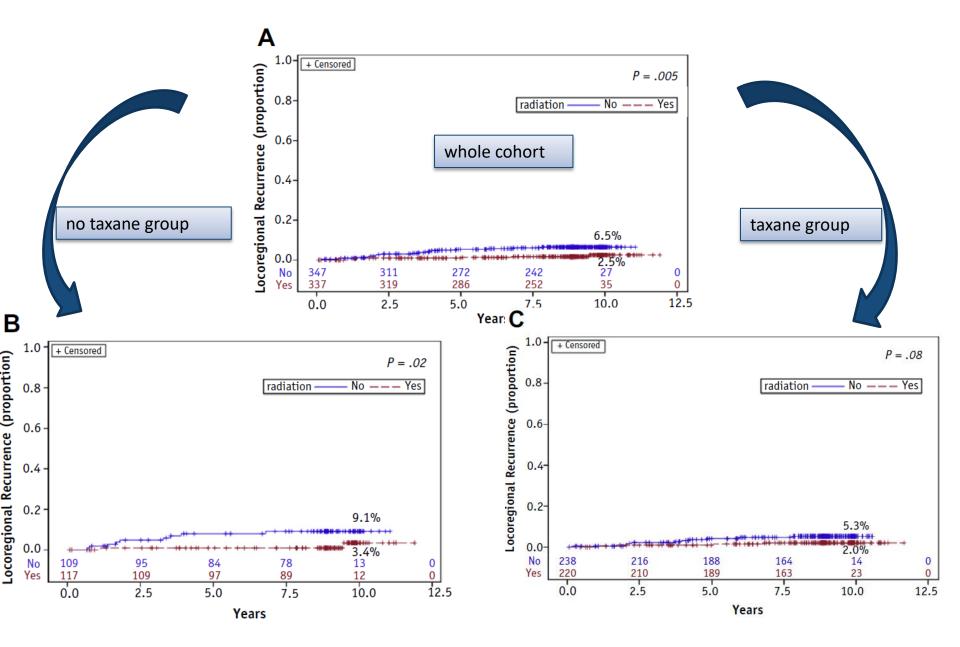
pT1-2pN1 (1-3 LN) + risk factors
> G3
> L1/V1
> Ki-67>30%
> Her2/triple negative
> < 45a and medial tumour

After immediate breast reconstruction PMRT indications should remain the same as without immediate breast reconstruction

T1-T2 and 1 – 3 positive LN? In the area of new systemic therapies



Locoregional Recurrences



What to do after Neoadjuvant Therapy ?

The Management of post-NAC RT is very heterogeneous

Boersma LJ Radiother Oncol. 2020 Gregucci F Radiol Med. 2020 Feb

pre NACT	Post Surgery	WBRT after BCS	PMRT	RNI
local advanced	pCR / no pCR	yes	yes	yes
cT1/2 cN1+	ypT1+ o. ypN1+ (no pCR)	yes	yes	yes
cT1/2 cN1+	ypT0/is ypN0	yes	Risk Factors	Risk Factors
cT1/2 cN0 (US obligatory)	ypT0/is ypN0	yes	no	no



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Axillary Management in cT1-2cN0 with 1-2 pos. SNL after BS without ALND

Trial	Study period	Primary country of recruitment	No. of sites	No. of randomly assigned participants	Trial design	Inclusion criteria		Intervention	Comparator	Primary	
						Tumor size	Surgery type	SNs			outcome
ACOSOG Z0011	1999–2004	USA	115	891	NI	\leq 5 cm	BCS	Micro- or macrometastases. ≥ 3 positive SNs, matted nodes, or extranodal disease excluded	Observation	cALND	OS
AATRM	2001-2008	Spain	18	247	Superiority	\leq 3.5 cm	BCS or mastectomy	Micrometastases ¹	Observation	cALND	DFS
IBCSG 23-01	2001-2010	Italy	27	934	NI	$\leq 5 \text{ cm}^2$	BCS or mastectomy	Micrometastases ²	Observation	cALND	DFS
AMAROS	2001-2010	Netherlands	34	4806	NI	$\leq 5 \text{ cm}^3$	BCS or mastectomy	Micro- and macrometastases ³	ART	cALND	Axillary recurrence
OTOASOR	2002–2009	Hungary	1	2106	NI	\leq 3 cm	BCS or mastectomy	Micro- and macrometastases	ART	cALND	DFS

SN sentinel node, NI noninferiority, BCS breast-conserving surgery, cALND completion axillary lymph node dissection, ART axillary radiotherapy, OS overall survival, DFS disease-free survival

¹Prior to 2002, isolated tumor cells were considered micrometastases

²Prior to 2006, tumor size was limited to \leq 3 cm and only one positive SN was allowed

³Prior to 2008, tumor size was limited to \leq 3 cm and isolated tumor cells were included



Axillary Management in cT1-2cN0 with 1-2 pos. SNL

- 1. No significant decrease in OS, DFS, or axillary recurrence rates could be demonstrated in women with micrometastases managed with observation alone (no cALND, no Axilla-RT).
- 2. Women with clinically node-negative breast cancer and metastatic SNs (<3) can largely be managed without cALND
- 3. Axillary radiotherapy is not inferior to axillary lymph node dissections in terms of locoregional control



Surface guided radiotherapy with surface tracking systems



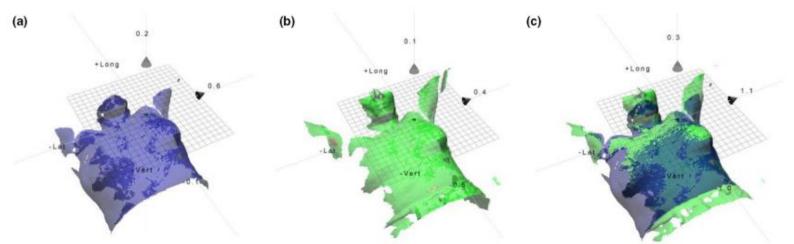
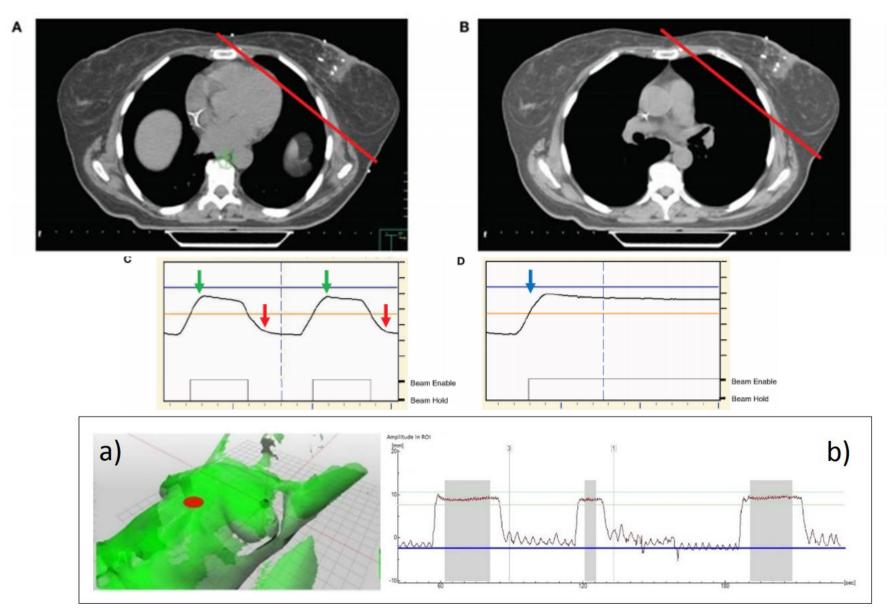


Fig. 1. (a) Reference surface (blue color) with the planned isocenter from the treatment planning system. (b) The live patient surface (green color) captured by a single camera CatalystTM system. (c) The reference and live surface are matched with a deformable algorithm and a couch shift in 6° of freedom is calculated to shift the live surface into the correct position with respect to the isocenter.

Deep-Inspiration-Breath-Hold-Technique



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Thank you very much for your attention !

