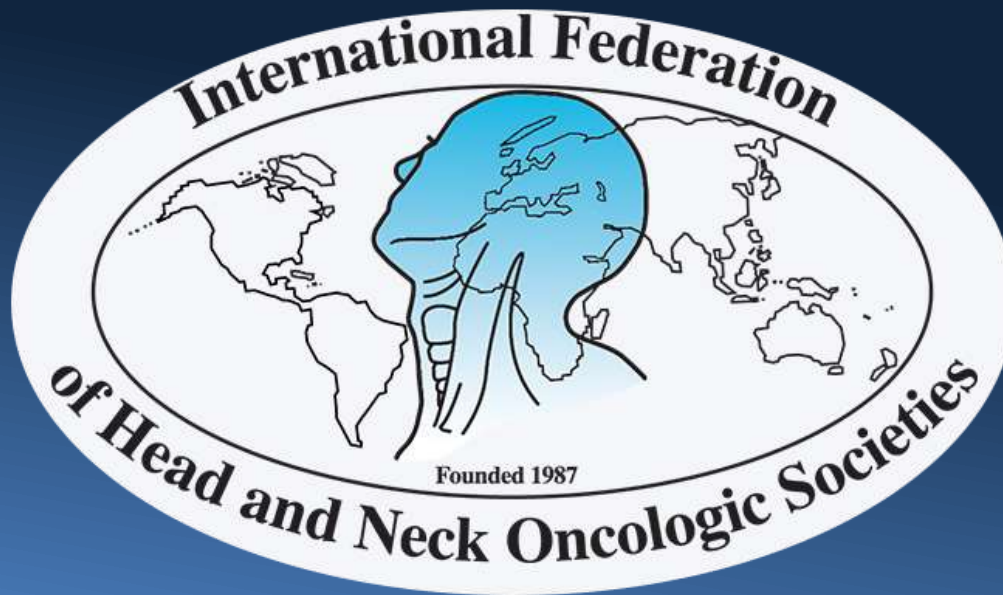




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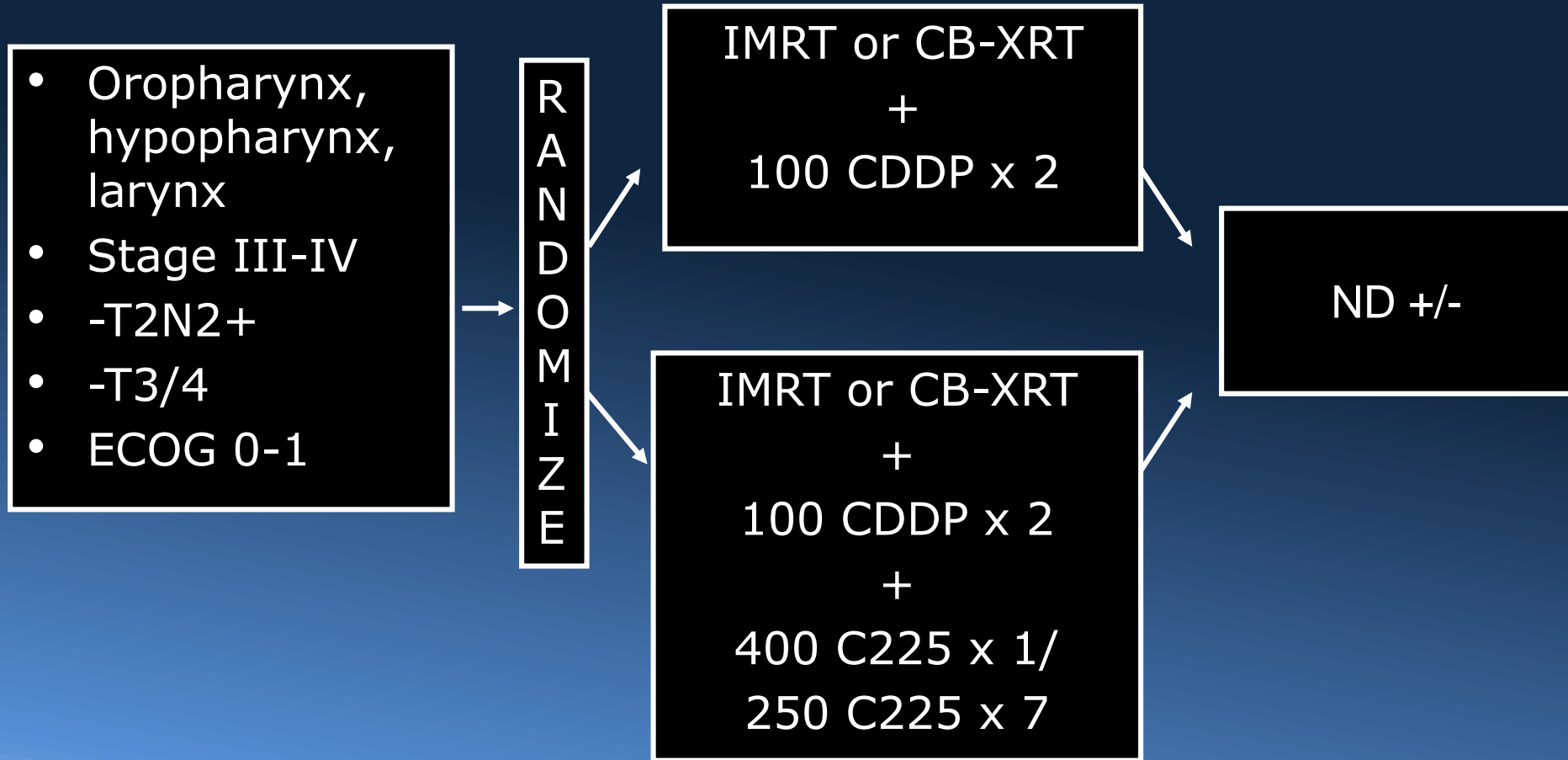
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## SCCHN: Multimodal Therapy

Merrill S. Kies

# RTOG 0522 Phase III: CB-XRT +/- C225 Chemoradiotherapy for Locally Advanced Disease



# EGFR-Based Bioradiotherapy with Panitumumab (P)

Concert 1	<u>N</u>	<u>2-yr LRC %</u>
CT – RT	63	68
CT – RT + P	87	61

Concert 2		
CT – RT	61	61
P – RT	90	51

# MACH-NC Update

## Concomitant vs Induction CT

- Concomitant superior in LRC and event-free survival; trend for OS ( $p=0.15$ )
- Induction superior for reduction in distant failure.
  - Induction: HR 0.73 (0.61-0.88),  $p=0.001$
  - Concomitant: HR 0.88 (0.77-1.00),  $p=0.04$
- Authors suggest the potential for sequencing the two approaches, with concern re adverse impact on compliance/ toxicities

# TAX 323 and TAX 324: Summary

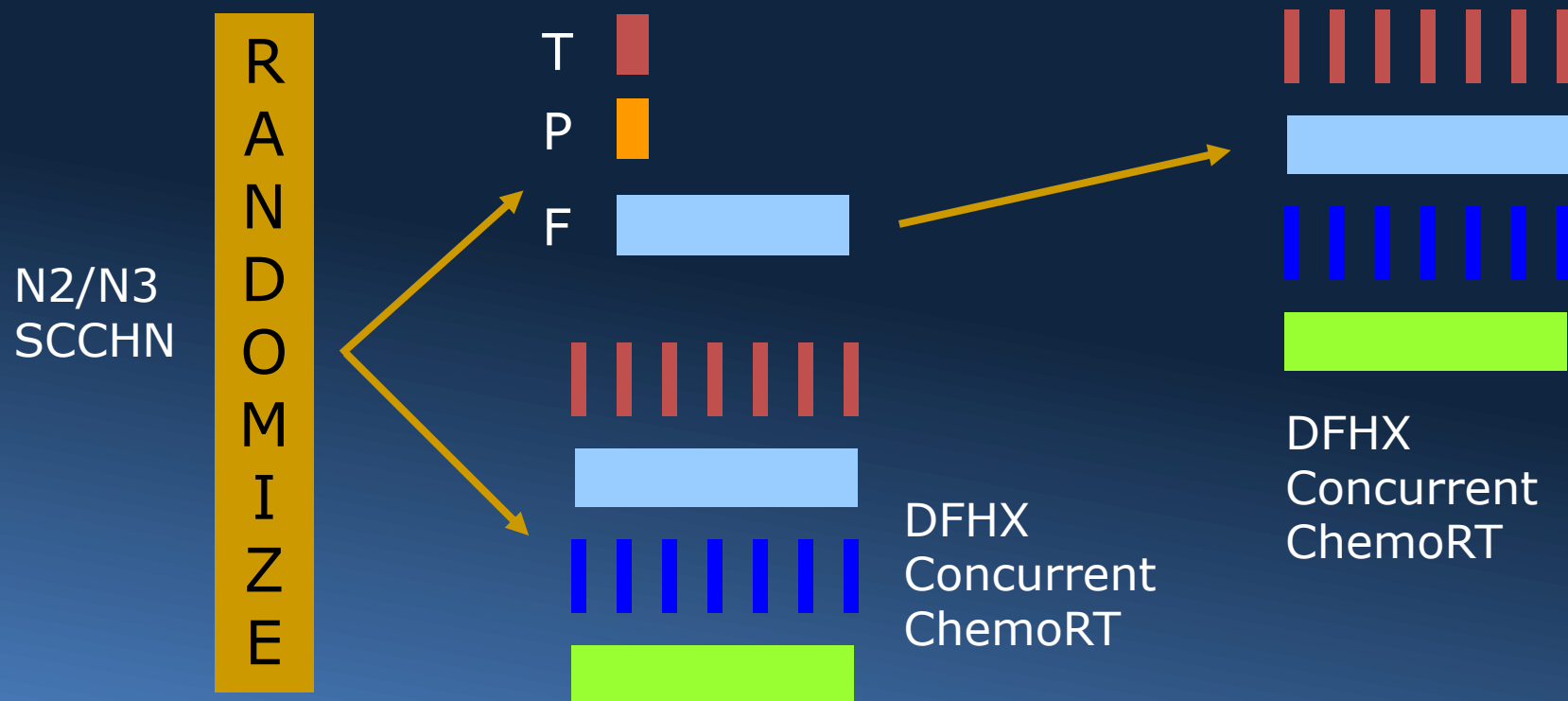
- Response rates are higher with TPF compared to PF
- Induction TPF improves survival compared to PF, possibly due to increased LRC
- Rate of distant failure is low
- There was no comparison with accepted CT-

RT



Posner M et al, NEJM 2007  
Vermorken J et al, NEJM 2007

# DECIDE Phase III Trial: TPF Followed by ChemoRT Versus Concurrent ChemoRT

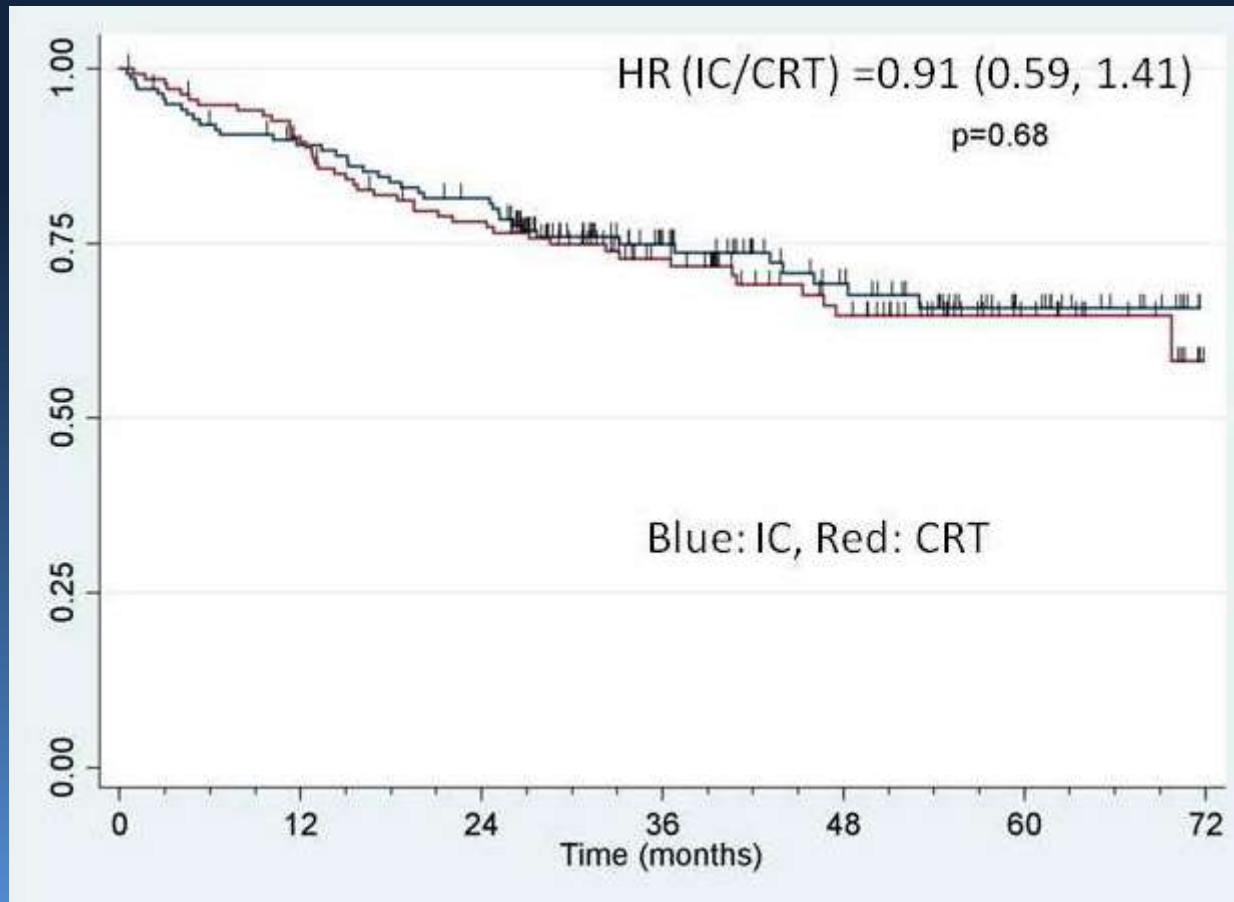


TPF: docetaxel + cisplatin + 5-FU q 3 wk x 2

DFHX: docetaxel + hydroxyurea + FU + hyperfractionated RT

# Overall Survival by Treatment Arm

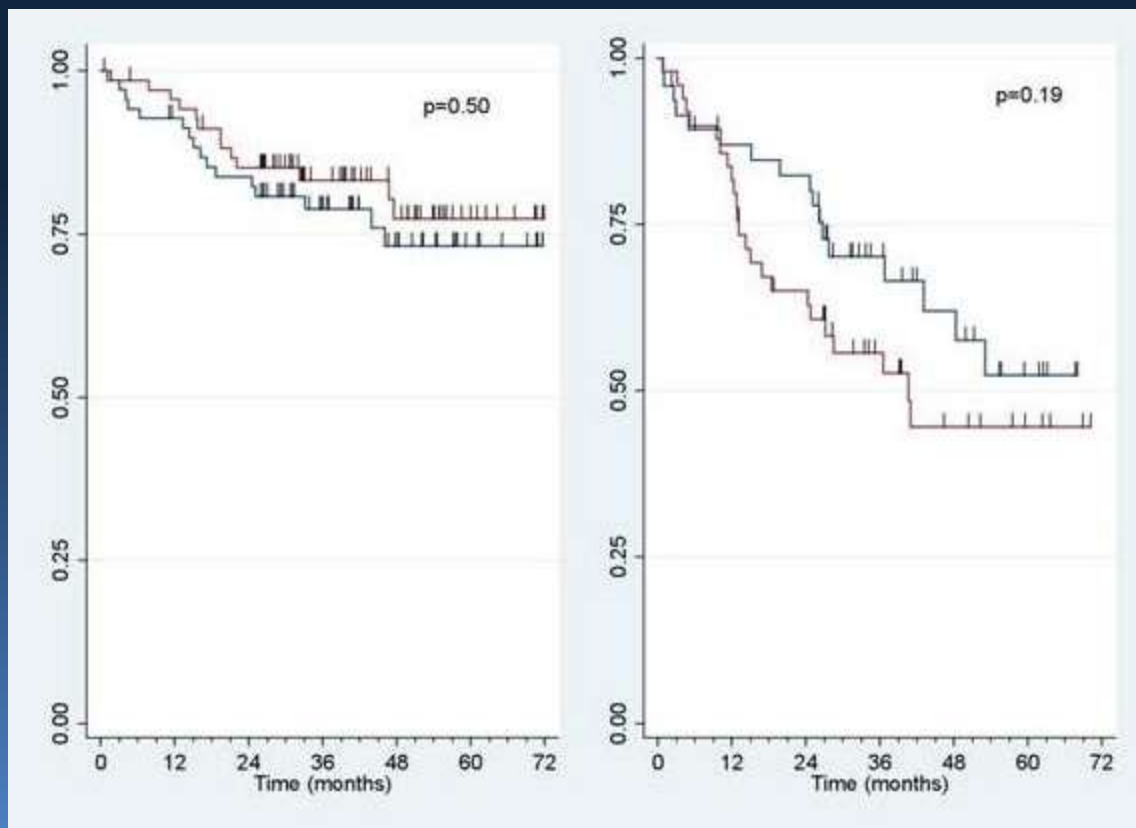
## Primary Endpoint





# Overall Survival by Nodal Stage

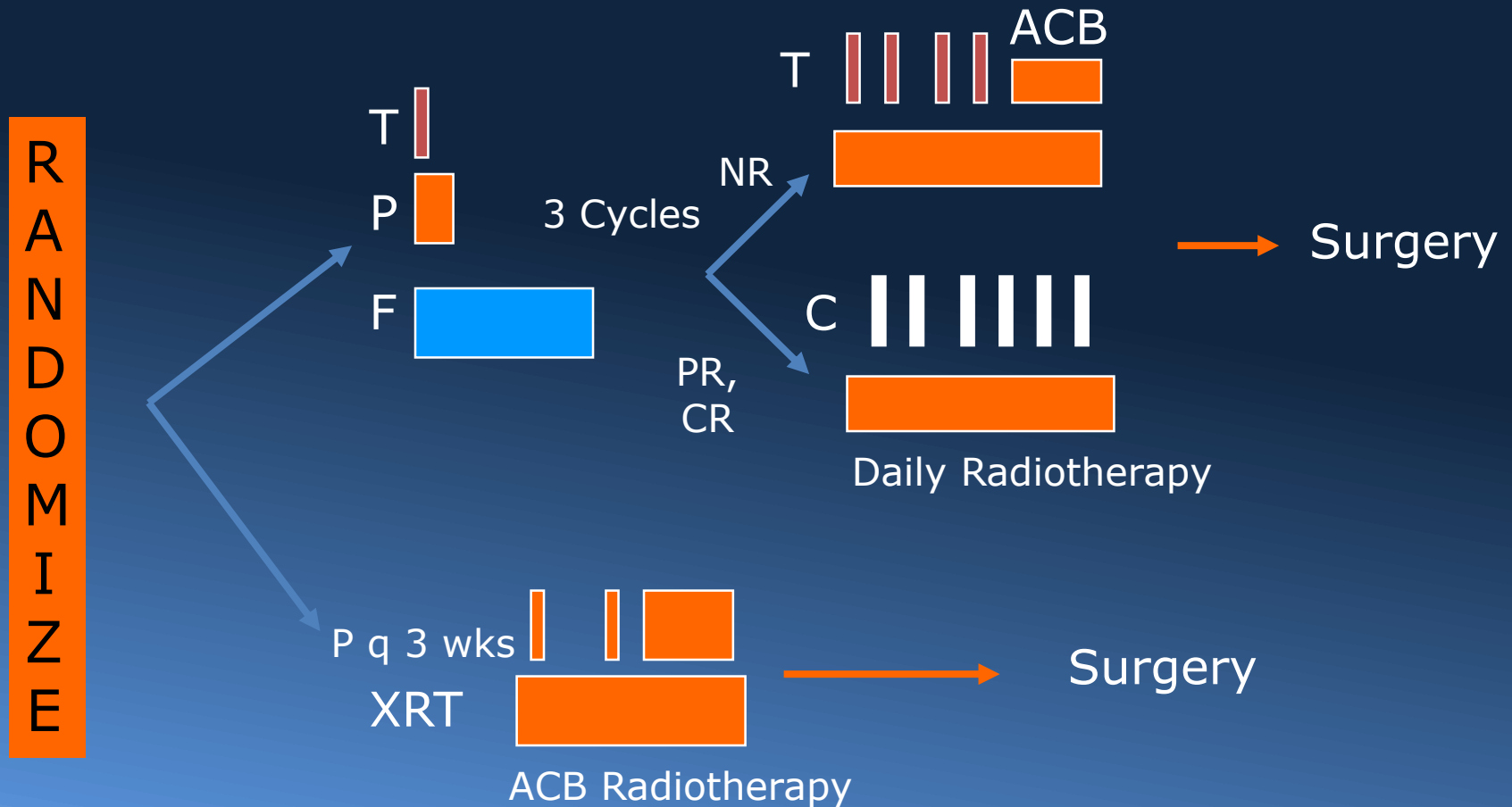
N2A/N2B (n=139)    N2C/N3 (n=96)



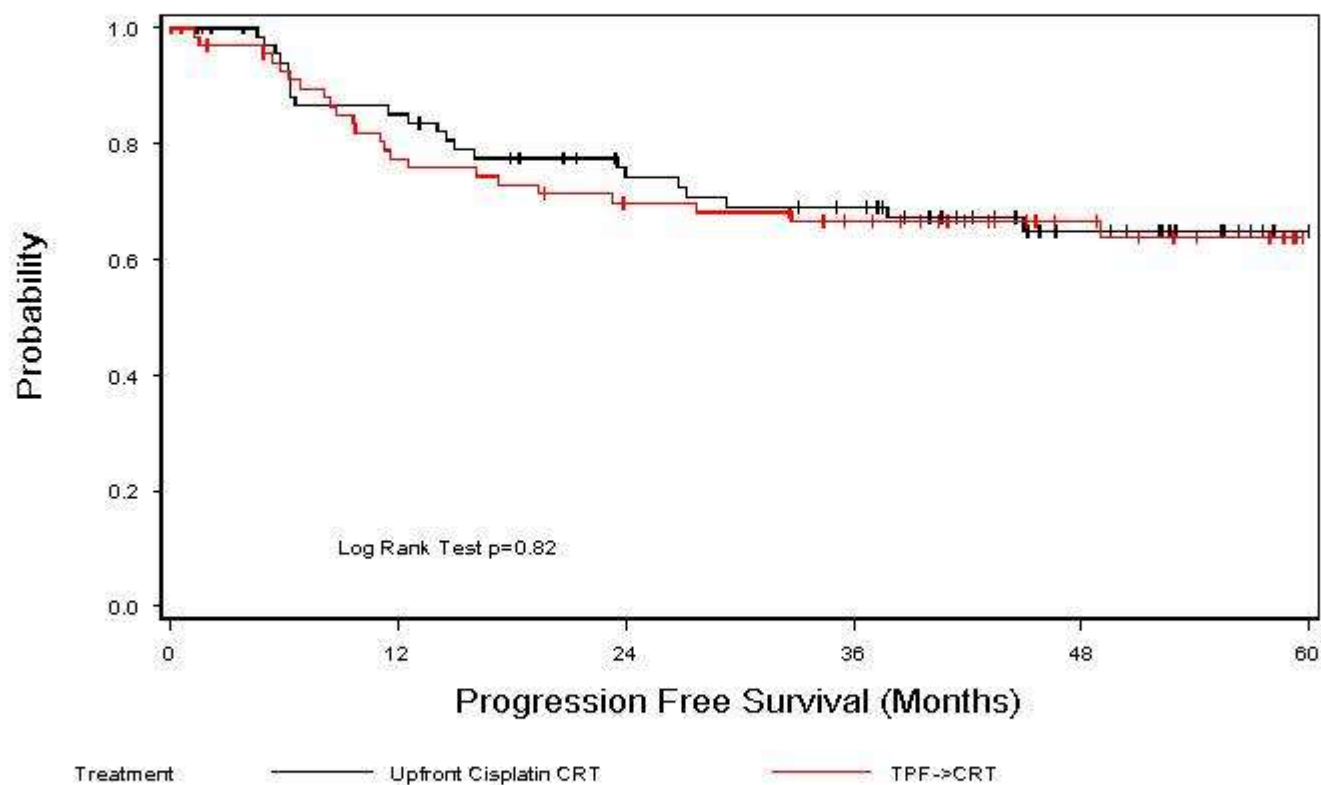
Blue: IC, Red: CRT

Cohen E et al, JCO 2014

# The PARADIGM Study: Sequential Therapy vs Chemoradiotherapy A Phase III Study of TPF/C-XRT vs P-ACBXRT



# PARADIGM: Progression Free Survival



# Is There Still a Role for Induction Chemotherapy for Head and Neck Cancer?

Adam S. Garden, *The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX*

J Clin Oncol 23(6):1059-60, 2015. Editorial

# Phase II Study of TPF Followed by Cisplatin/5-FU/XRT

Stage III/IV M0 HNSCC

Unresectable disease

PS 0-1

N=103 patients

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## ChemoXRT

Cisplatin 20 mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day s 1 to 4  
5-FU 800 mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day 96 h  
(weeks 1+6 of RT)

TPF x 3

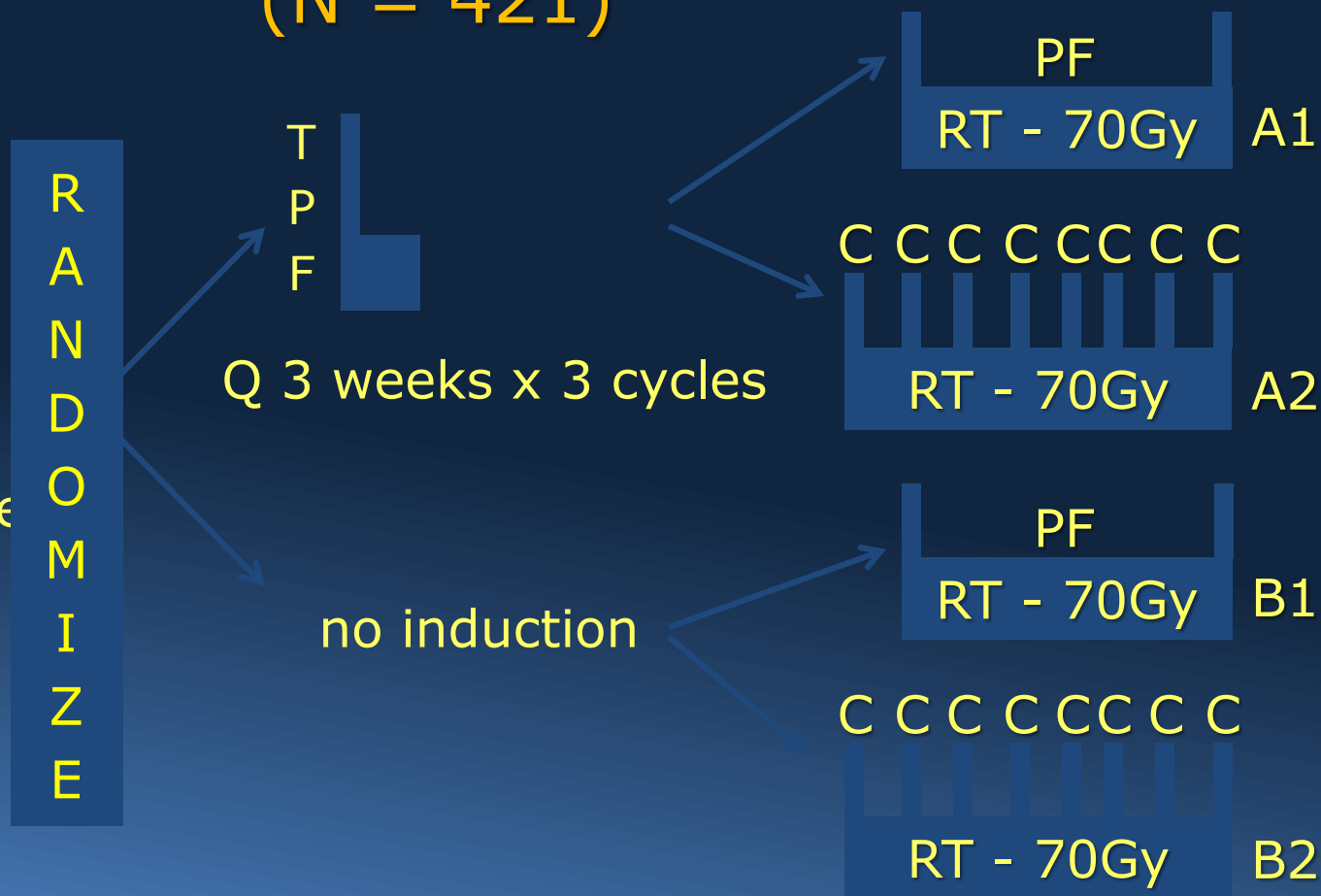
Docetaxel 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> day 1  
Cisplatin 80 mg/m<sup>2</sup> day 1  
5-FU 800 mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day 96 h  
(q 21 days)

ChemoX  
RT

Primary endpoint: radiologic CR after chemoXRT

# Phase III: 2 X 2 Factorial Design (N = 421)

Stratification:  
T stage  
N stage  
Primary tumor site



Primary endpoints:

1) 3y OS Induction vs no induction: A1 + A2 vs B1 + B2

2) G3-4 in field toxicity: A1 + B1 vs A2 + B2

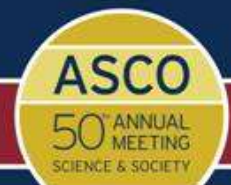


# Compliance with Concomitant Treatments

	<b>TPF + concomitant n=185</b>	<b>Concomitant n= 199</b>	<b>p value</b>
<b>PF 2 cy/cetuximab 7 wks - no modifications</b>	<b>86% 56%</b>	<b>88% 59%</b>	<b>0.772</b>
<b>RT completion - no modifications</b>	<b>93% 61.5%</b>	<b>93% 64.5%</b>	<b>0.820</b>
<b>Median RT dose, Gy (range)</b>	<b>70 (8-73)</b>	<b>70 (18-70)</b>	<b>0.199</b>
<b>Median RT duration, weeks (range)</b>	<b>7.3 (1-13)</b>	<b>7.4 (3-11)</b>	<b>0.674</b>
<b>Pts with RT interruption &gt; 3 consecutive days (%)</b>	<b>51 (27.5%)</b>	<b>59 (30%)</b>	<b>0.607</b>
<b>Death from any cause within 30 days after treatments</b>	<b>6 (3%)</b>	<b>7 (3.5%)</b>	<b>0.772</b>

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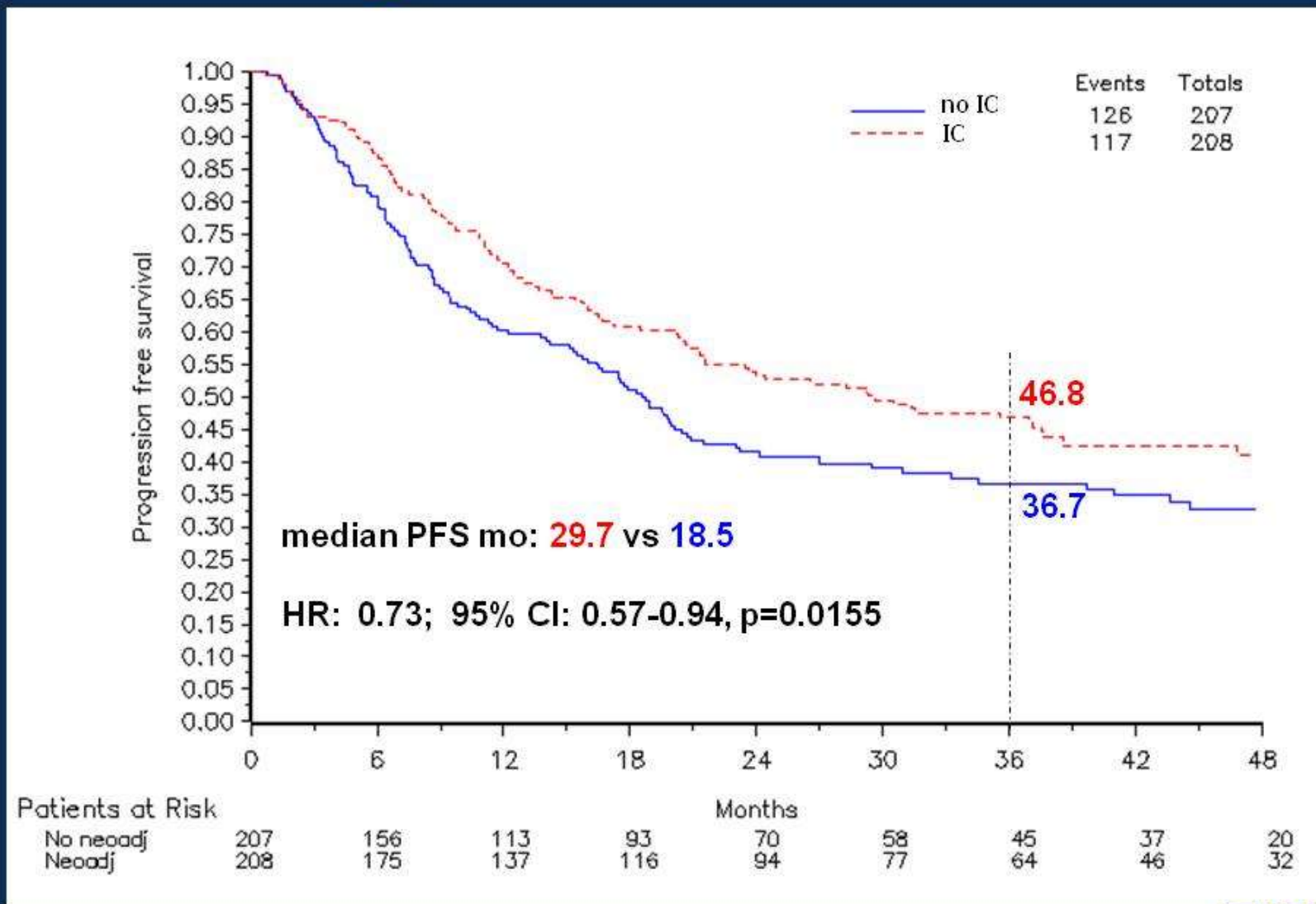
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# Progression Free Survival



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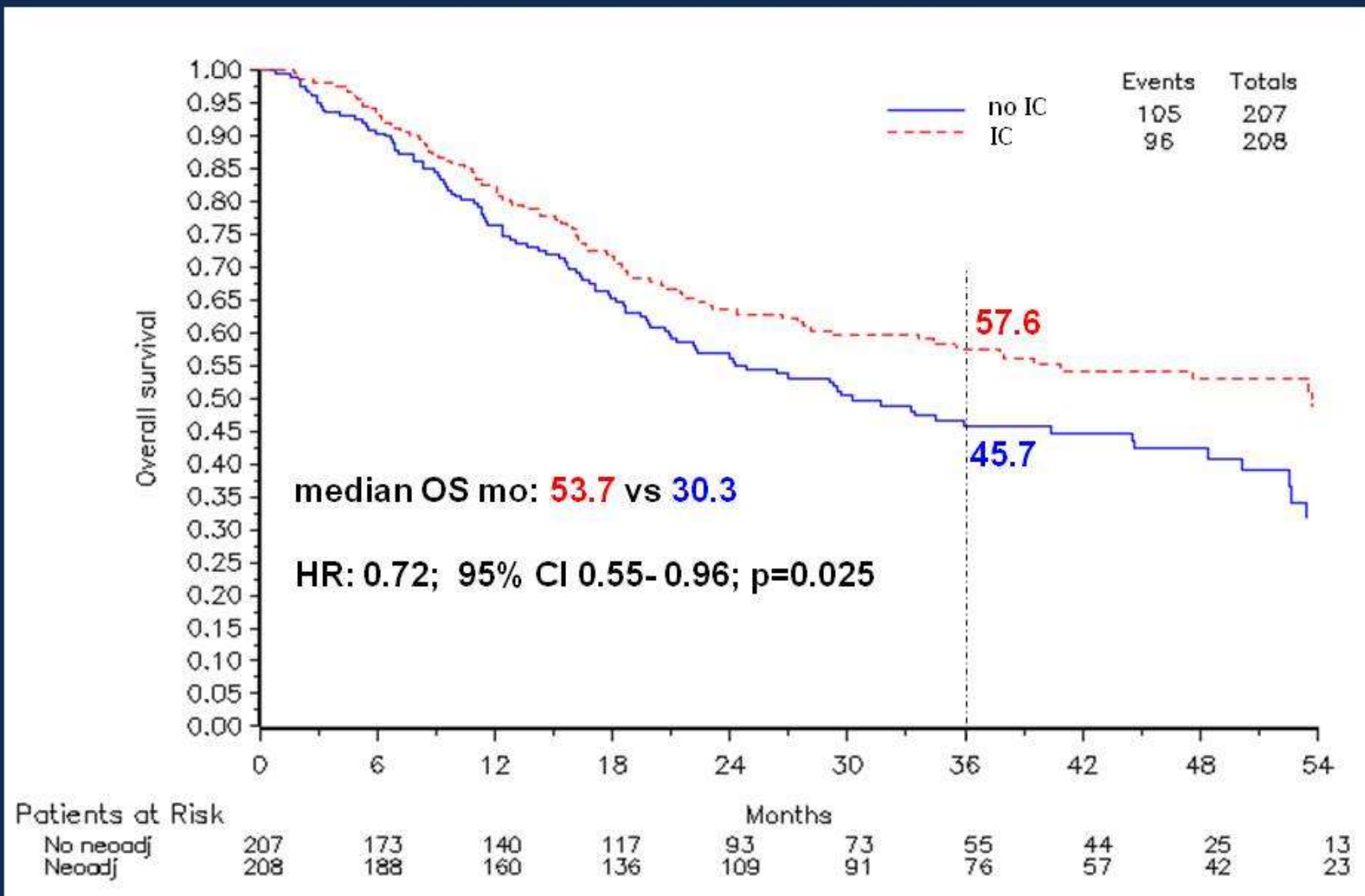
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# Overall Survival



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# Induction CT Trial Outcomes

			<u>3yr %</u>	
			<u>PFS</u>	<u>OS</u>
Paradigm		<u>N</u>		
	ICT	70	67	73
	CT – RT	75	69	78
DeCIDE	ICT	142	67	75
	CT – RT	138	60	74
Ghi, et al.	ICT	199	47	58
	CT – RT	185	37	46

# HPV-positive and negative cancers

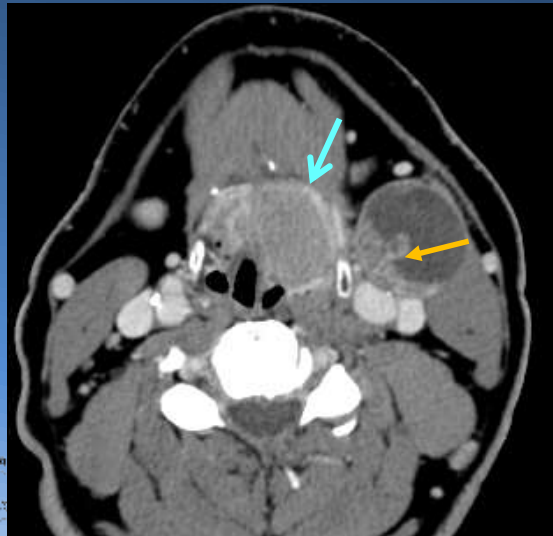
## HPV-related cancers

- Caused by HPV
  - HPV 16 is high-risk subtype
  - Driven by viral oncogenes
- Concentrated in oropharynx
- E6 and E7 oncogenes
- Young, favorable health
- Cured in 80%

## SCC related to substance abuse

- Caused by toxic exposures
  - Tobacco and alcohol
- Throughout HN mucosa
- P53 mutations
- “Poor” prognosis, comorbidities
- Second primary cancers

50-y/o man, HPV+, mostly cystic nodes,



59-y/o man, HPV+, cystic nodes, occult primary



# Integrating Accelerated Fractionation & Cisplatin Phase III Trial RTOG 0129, PI: K. Ang

Stage III & IV  
SCC of:

- Oral cavity
- Oropharynx
- Larynx
- Hypopharynx

Stratify:

- Lx vs Non-Lx
- N0 vs N+
- KPS  
60-80 VS 90-100

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→ 1. SFX: 70 Gy/35 F/7 W +  
CDDP: 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> (d 1, 22,  
43)

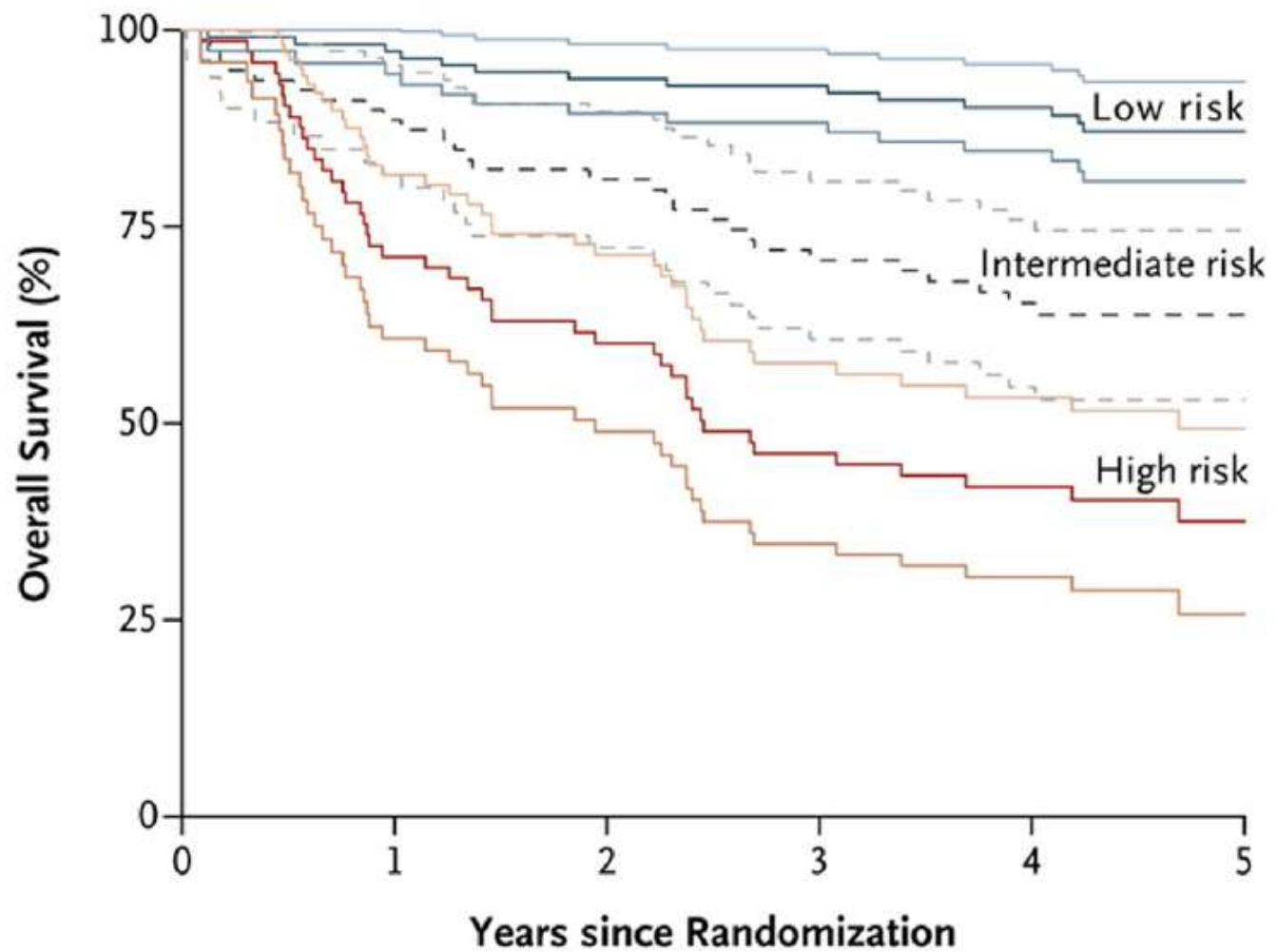
→ 2. AFX-CB: 72 Gy/42 F/6 W +  
CDDP: 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> (d 1, 22)

Accrued 743 patients  
Collected 596 tumor specimens

Oropharyngeal Cancer  
Enrolled: 433 - Specimens: 317

Excluded T1-2N1





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Ang KK et al, NEJM 2010

# E1308: Reduced Dose IMRT for HPV+ Stage III/IV OPSCC Patients Achieving cCR to ICT

## ELIGIBILITY

Stage III,IV

HPV +  
Oropharynx

N=90

## INDUCTION

(3 cycles)

Weekly  
Paclitaxel  
+  
CDDP day 1  
+  
Cetuximab

CR

<CR

## CONCURRENT

IMRT 54Gy/27 fxs  
Cetuximab 250mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
qwk

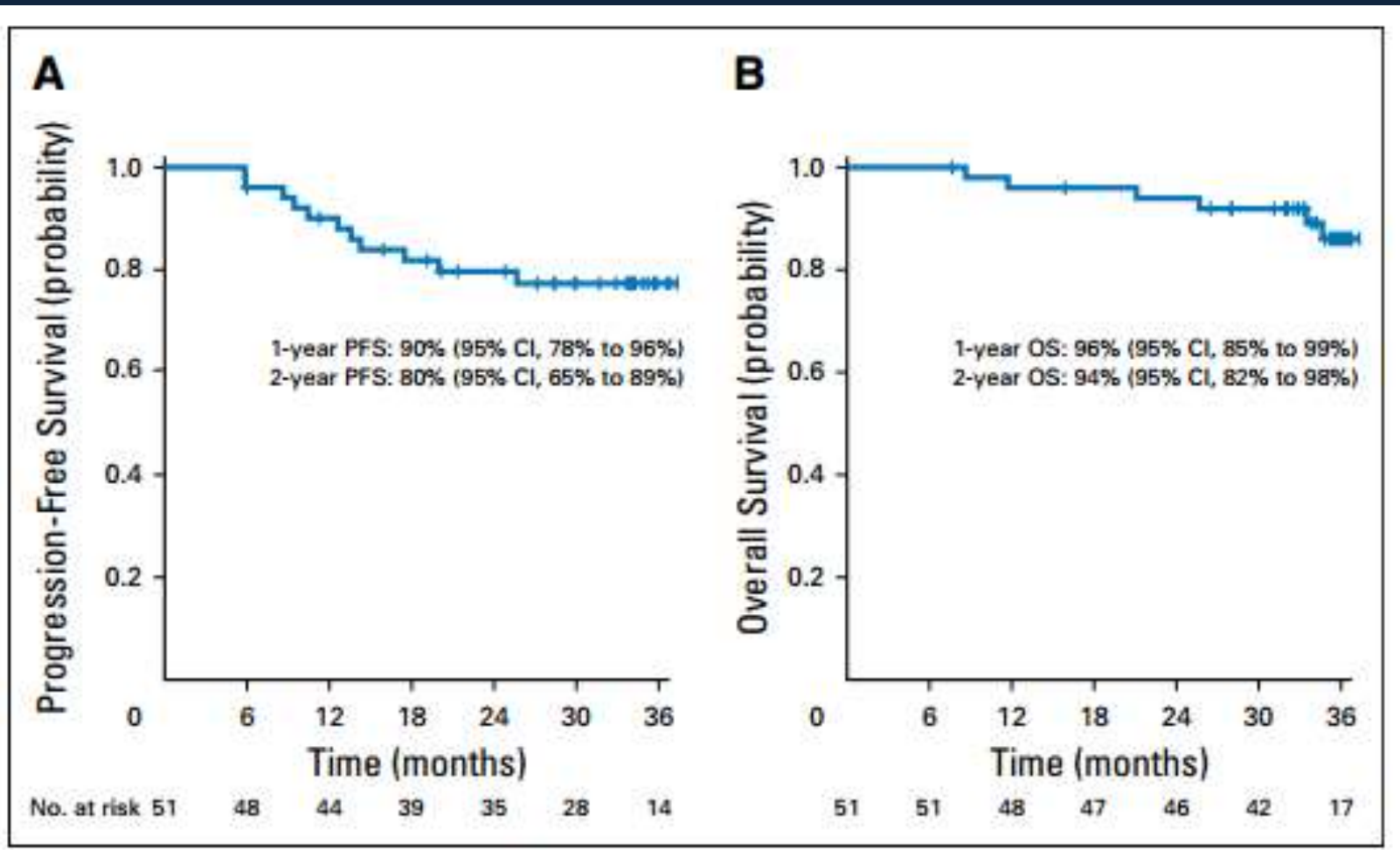
## CONCURRENT

IMRT 69.3Gy/33fxs  
Cetuximab 250mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
qwk

Cetuximab loading dose = 400mg/m<sup>2</sup> on Day1 of Cycle 1 with  
Induction



# Progression Free and Overall Survival in Clinical CRs



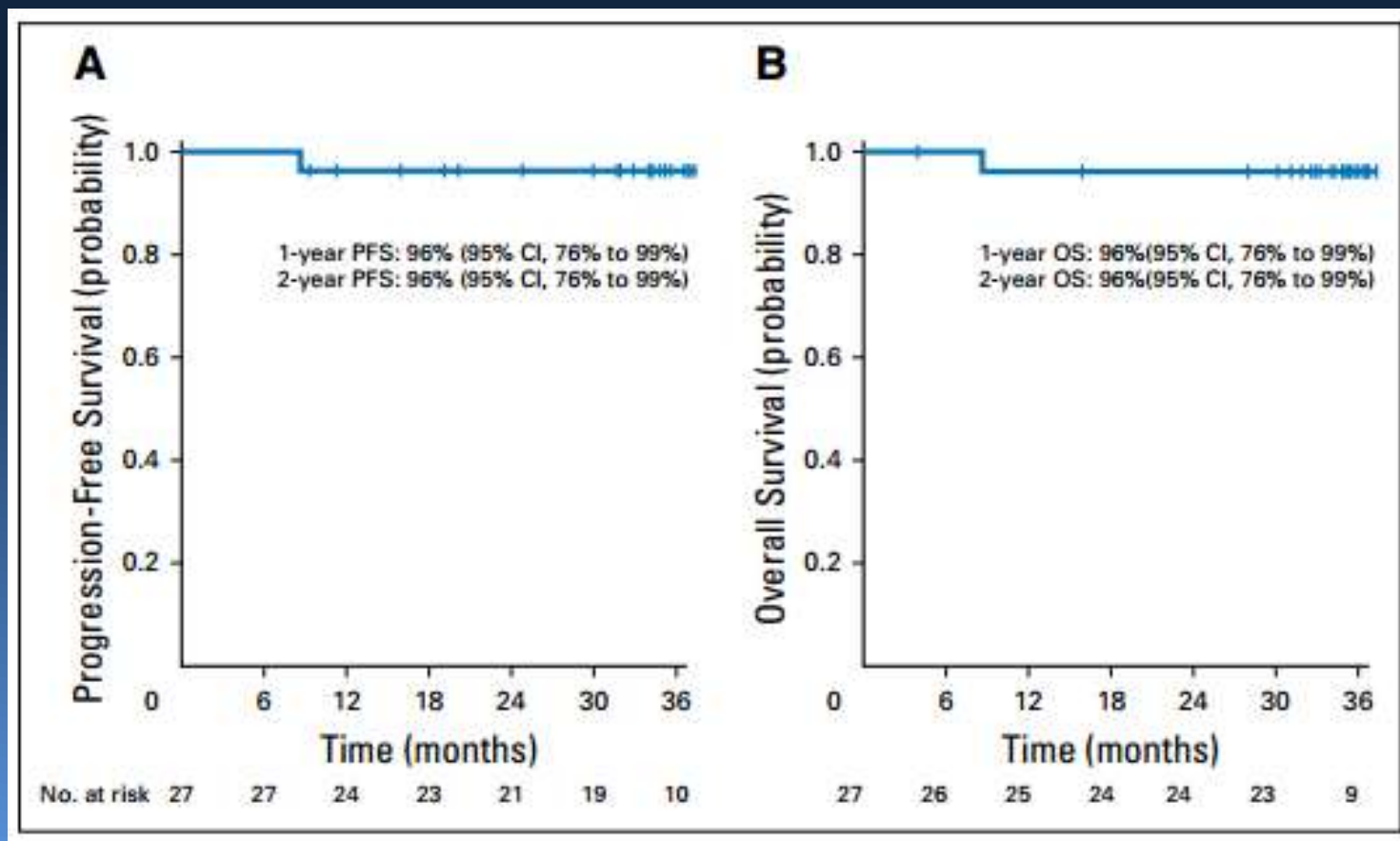
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Marur S et al, JCO 2017



# PFS and OS in Favorable Cohort



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## MDA 03-0919

Diagnostic biopsy, staging, and  
functional awareness assay  
(N = 47)

Weekly chemotherapy  
Cetuximab 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> wk 1  
250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> wks 2-6  
Paclitaxel 135 mg/m<sup>2</sup> wks 1-6  
Carboplatin (AUC 2) wks 1-6

Assessment of response

Assignment based on  
site/staging at diagnosis

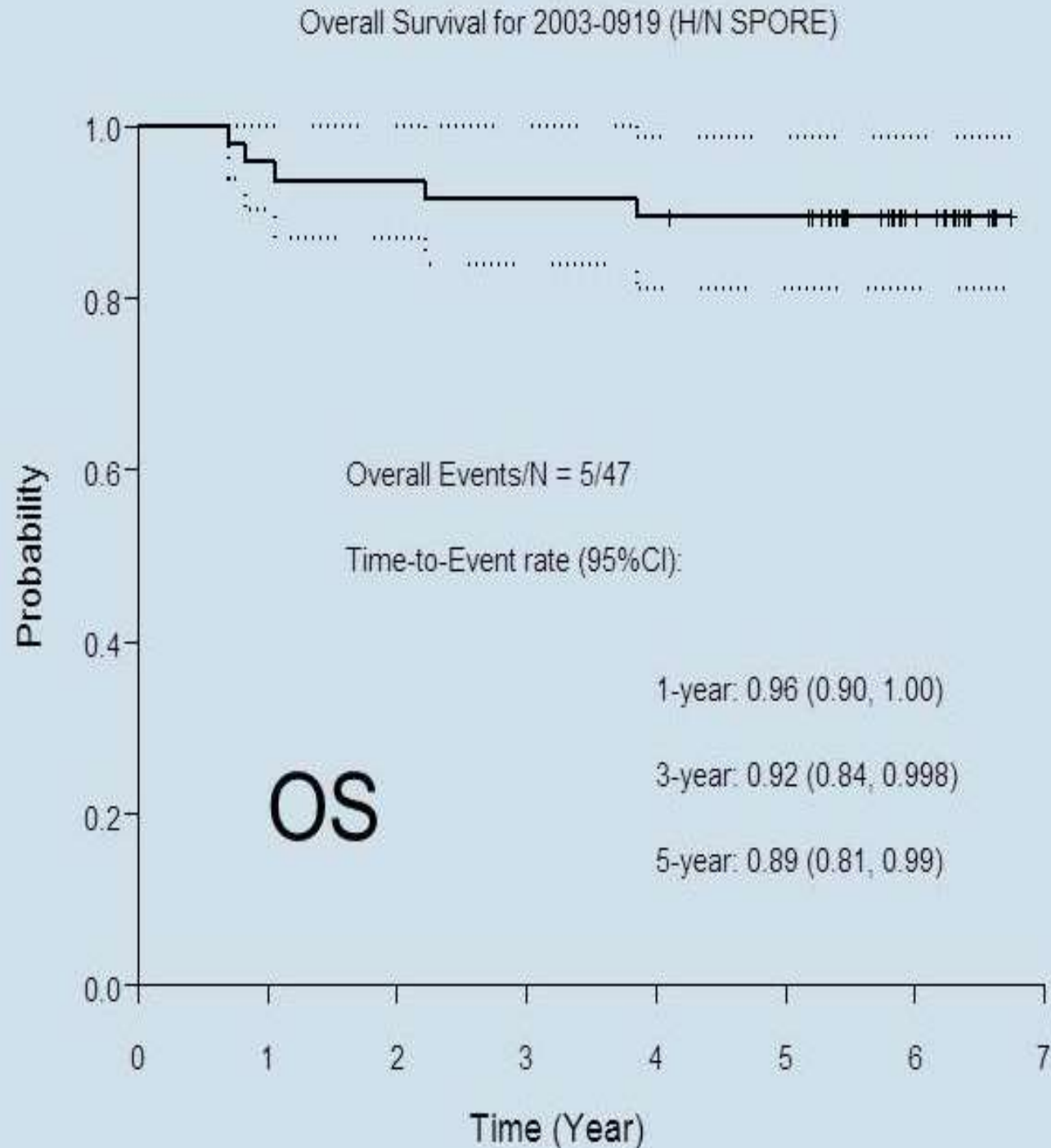
Radiation  
(N = 23)

Chemo RT  
(N = 23)

Surgery  
(N = 1)

## 5-year survival

- No new LR recurrence
- 1 new SPM (spindle cell scalp)
- Overall survival: 89%



## 5-year Functional Outcomes

- n=42 long-term survivors
- Most OP survivors (39)
- Chronic dysphagia rare

	All sites (n=42)	OroPh (n=39)
<b>Diet</b>		
NPO	1 (2%)	1 (3%)
Tube + PO	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Liquid only	1 (2%)	1 (3%)
Soft	5 (12%)	5 (13%)
Regular/full	34 (81%)	32 (82%)
<b>Feeding-tube</b>	2 (5%)	1 (3%)
<b>Laryngectomy</b>	1 (2%)	1 (3%)
<b>Tracheostomy</b>	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Pneumonia</b>	2 (5%)	1 (3%)
<b>Stricture</b>	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
<b>Chronic dysphagia*</b>	3 (7%)	1 (3%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>39</b>
*composite endpoint of chronic dysphagia defined by chronic aspiration or stricture per MBS and/or permanent gastrostomy dependence		

Hutcheson K et al,  
Head and Neck 2013

# MDA 2009-0885 Schema

## Diagnosis & Staging + Biopsies

After stratification for HPV status, positive patients with N2b/c/3 disease are eligible and randomized to PCC v TPF-C

## Response Assessment + Biopsies

Patients with  
staging at  
diagnosis T 0-3

Patients with staging,  
at diagnosis T4  
or unresectable N+

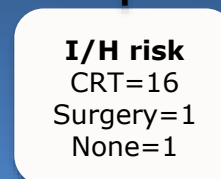
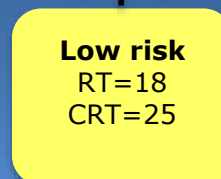
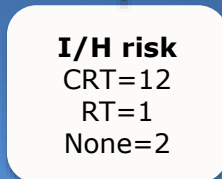
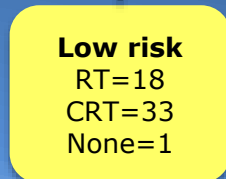
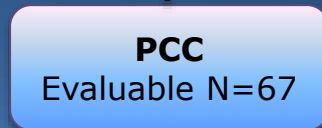
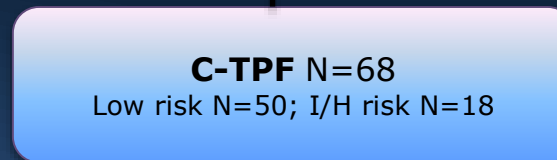
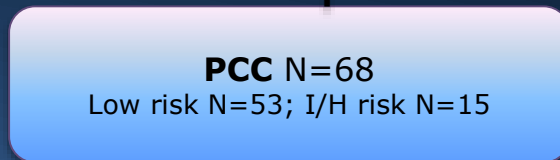
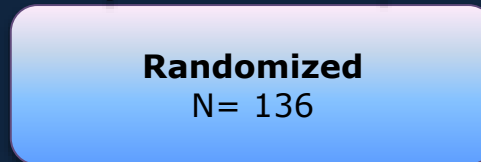
Radiation Therapy

Chemoradiotherapy

# MDA 2009-0885 / Biomarker Correlates

- Immunoprofiling – CD3, DC4, LD8, RO, FOXP3, CD68, LD 113, PD-L1
- Blood flow cytometry for T cells
- Tumor mutation panel

# Study Population

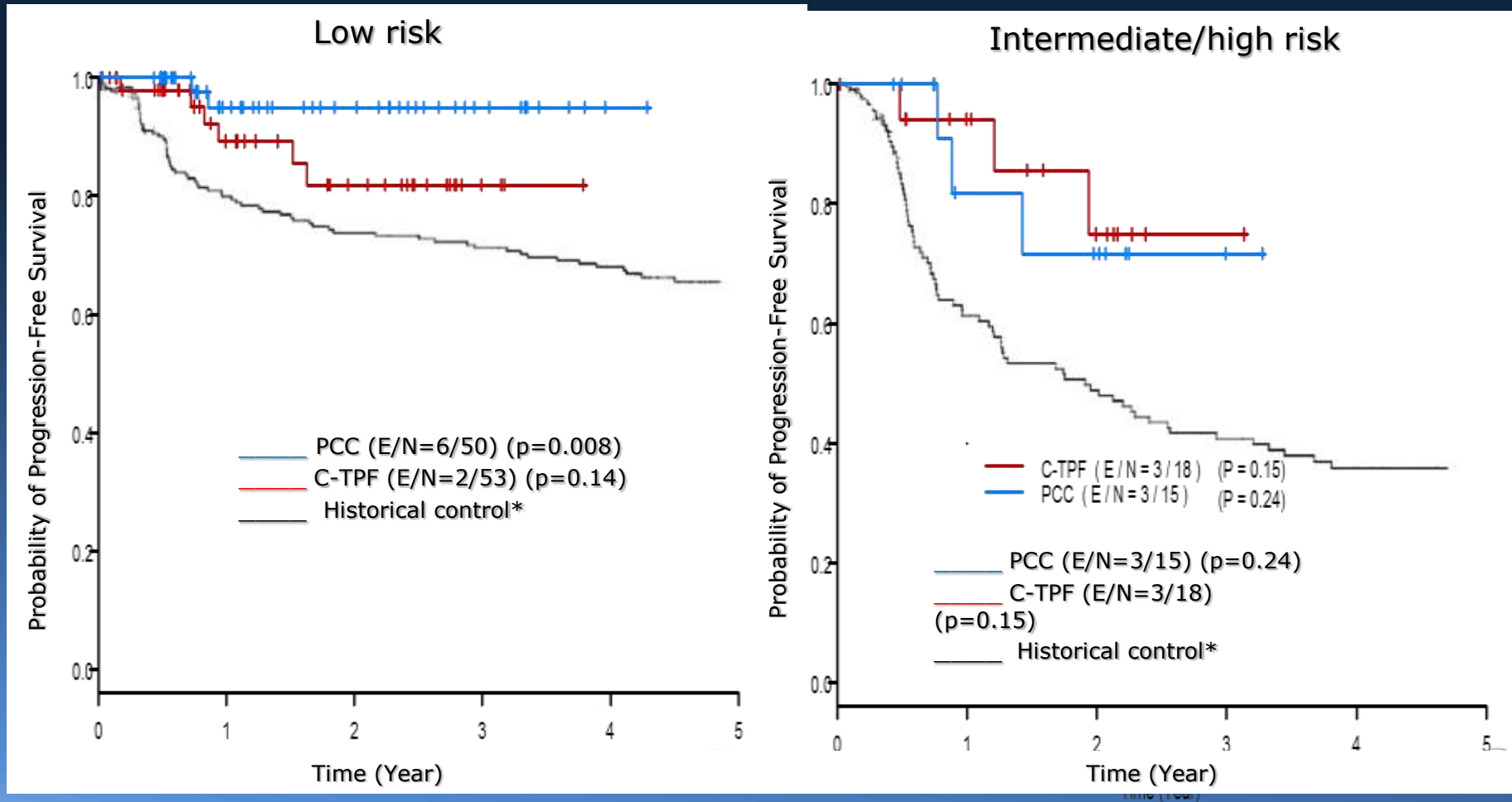


# Primary objective: Estimated 2-year Progression free survival rate

	<b>All patients % (CI)</b>	<b>PCC % (CI)</b>	<b>C-TPF % (CI)</b>
Overall		89 (81, 99)	80 (68, 93)
Low risk	89 (81, 97)	95 (88, 100)	82 (69, 97)
I/H risk	74 (58, 95)	72 (49, 100)	75 (53, 100)



# Primary objective: Progression free survival by risk group

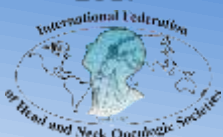


\*Historical control curves based on Ang KK et al. N Engl J Med 2010; 363:24-35

# Estimated 2 year Progression free survival: subgroup analysis

	<b>PCC % (CI)</b>	<b>C-TPF % (CI)</b>
HPV-positive/never smokers	100 (100, 100)	86 (70, 100)
HPV-positive/<=10 pack years	100 (100, 100)	88 (67, 100)
HPV-positive/>10 pack years	87 (71, 100)	65 (44, 97)
HPV-negative	76 (55, 100)	83 (58, 100)
N2c-N3	83 (67, 100)	82 (67, 100)
N0-N2b	93 (85, 100)	78 (62, 98)

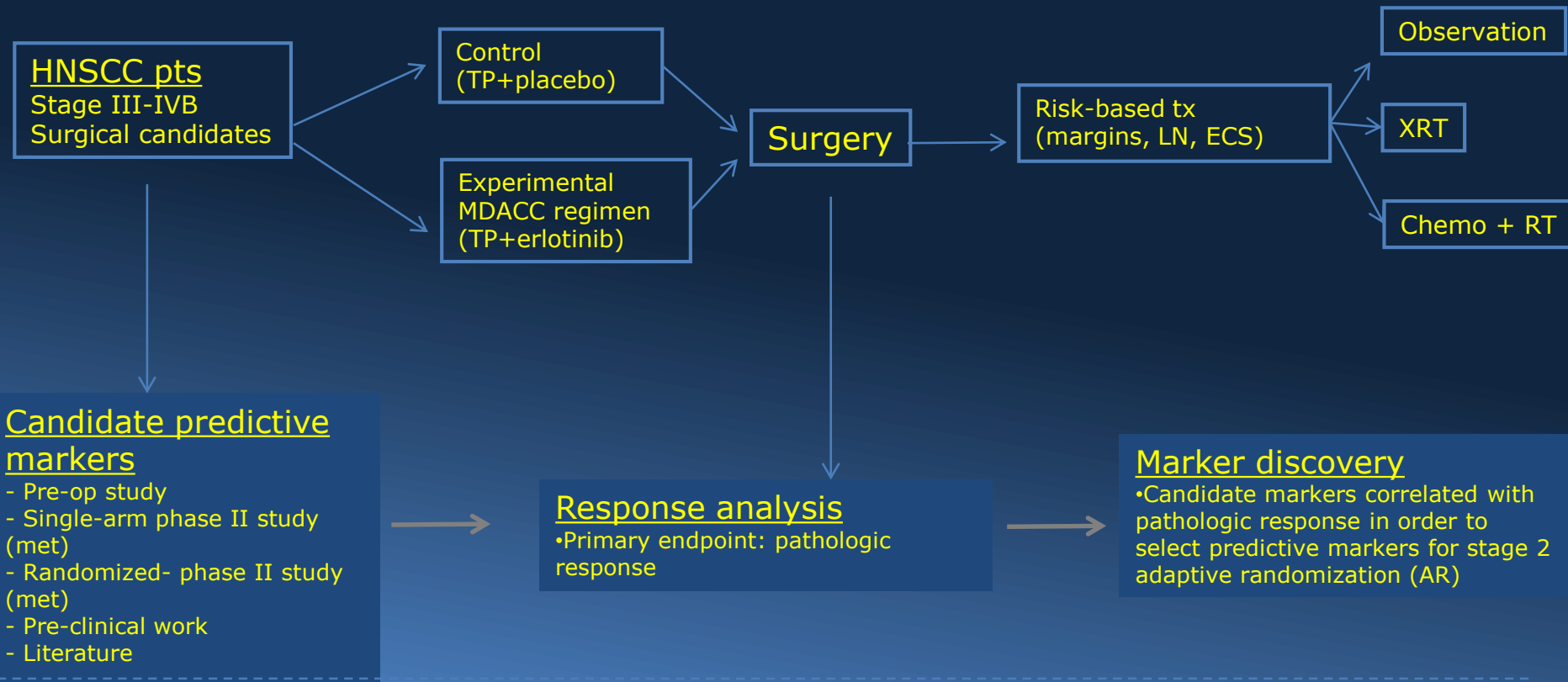
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# Trial Design (MDA 2013-0179)

## Stage I (biomarker discovery/validation)

adaptive randomization based on pathologic response



## Stage II (personalized biomarker-driven therapy)

**HNSCC pts**  
Stage III-IVB  
Surgical candidates

adaptive randomization based on stage 1 markers

# THE SEQUENTIAL CT AND RT PLATFORM FOR LOCALLY ADVANCED SCCHN

Systemic Rx → RT (+/- CT) → S

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# CT - Observations

- Individualization of therapy continues to be based on site, stage, HPV status, PS, and tobacco consumption history
- CT – RT remains the fundamental consideration for non-surgical rx of locally advanced ds
- Pts with bulky N2b/c, N3, N level 4 are candidates for systemic rx and study
- Modification of combined treatment regimens in HPV+ ds is under investigation
- Efficacy relates to the entire treatment sequence
- Induction therapy is an investigational vehicle for the study of clinical and molecular endpoints



# Old Texas Longhorn



**Twin Creek Ranch of Cat Spring, Texas**