

# **SYSTEMIC TREATMENT OF OSTEOSARCOMA AND EWING SARCOMA FAMILY OF TUMORS IN ADULT PATIENTS**

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## **GENERAL ASPECTS ON BONE SARCOMA**

# DESTRUCTIVE BONE LESION / DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

BONE METASTASES

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MYELOMA

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BONE SARCOMA

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## ESMO GUIDELINES

- All patients with a bone lesion that is likely to be a primary malignant bone tumour on a radiological basis should be referred to a reference centre...
- The biopsy and the pathological diagnosis require expertise in the field and should be discussed in a **multidisciplinary team** (with the radiologist, the pathologist, the surgeon, the radiation oncologist and the medical oncologist).
- The biopsy should be carried out at the reference centre, with a primary **biopsy under the supervision of a surgical team** who will carry out the definitive tumour resection or by a **dedicated interventional radiologist...**

# TREATMENTS (HIGH-GRADE)

HISTORICALLY

RADICAL SURGERY ALONE  
DFS = 10-20%

CURRENTLY

CHEMOTHERAPY  
CONSERVATIVE SURGERY  
CHEMOTHERAPY  
DFS > 60%

## ADULT PATIENTS

- Given the peak incidence of bone sarcoma in children and adolescents and young adults,
- Much of the data for the treatment comes from **pediatric studies**
- Many studies excluded patients **older** than 50 years

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# OSTEOSARCOMA

## LOCATION

- Usually arises in the metaphysis of a **long bone**, most commonly around the knee in children and adolescents.
- Involvement of the **axial skeleton** and **craniofacial bones** is primarily observed in older patients.
- Frequently metastasises (15-20% at diagnosis) (high-grade), the **lung** being the most frequent metastatic site, followed by **distant bones**.
- Adverse prognostic factors for conventional OS = primary metastases, axial or proximal extremity site, large size, elevated serum ALP or LDH and **older age**.

# LOCALISED DISEASE

## HUVOS GRADING

Grade	% of necrosis	Histological findings
I	0-49	Little or no apparent effect
II	50-89	Some areas of histologically viable tumor, but also areas of acellular tumor osteoid, necrotic and/or fibrotic material
III	90-99	Predominant areas of change attributable to chemotherapy, with only scattered foci of histologically viable tumor
IV	100	No histological evidence of viable tumor

**Good response** ≥ 90% (Grade III-IV)

**Poor response** ≤ 90% (Grade I-II)

- Histological responses correlated to EFS/OS
- GR = EFS / OS = 68% / 51%**
- PR = EFS / OS = 78% / 63%**

# NEO-ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY

## DRUGS WITH PROVEN EFFICACY

Agent	Réponse objective (%)
HD MTX	42
Cisplatine	33
Ifosfamide	33
Doxorubicine	26
Actinomycine D	15
Cyclophosphamide	15
Melphalan	15
DTIC	14
Mitomycine C	13

## CHILDREN / AYA

MAP = HIGH-DOSE METHOTREXATE +  
DOXORUBICIN + CISPLATIN

## ADULTS

- >25 years = toxicity with HD-METHO  
→ DOXORUBICIN + CISPLATIN + IFOSFAMIDE

# HD-MTX 12g/m<sup>2</sup>

Ferrari et al. Journal of Chemotherapy 2009

## NEURO-TOXICITY NEPHRO-TOXICITY

Etude du Rizzoli

OS localisé <40 ans

M: Maximum 8g/m<sup>2</sup> for patients > 25 years old

Age	Enfants 4-14 ans	Adolescents 15-19 ans	Adultes 20-40ans	P value
N cycles	200	312	244	
DI	0,84	0,86	0,84	NS
Retard élimination MTX(%)	0	4	11	0,005
Toxicité rénale (%)	5,2	3,5	37,5	0,001
Neutropénie G4 (%)	65	49	54	0,004
Neutropénie fébrile(%)	14	6	4	0,0004
Thrombopénie G4(%)	41	27	35	0,008

## » FRENCH » API-AI / OS 2006 TRIAL

### Results of API-AI based regimen in osteosarcoma adult patients included in the French OS2006/Sarcome-09 study

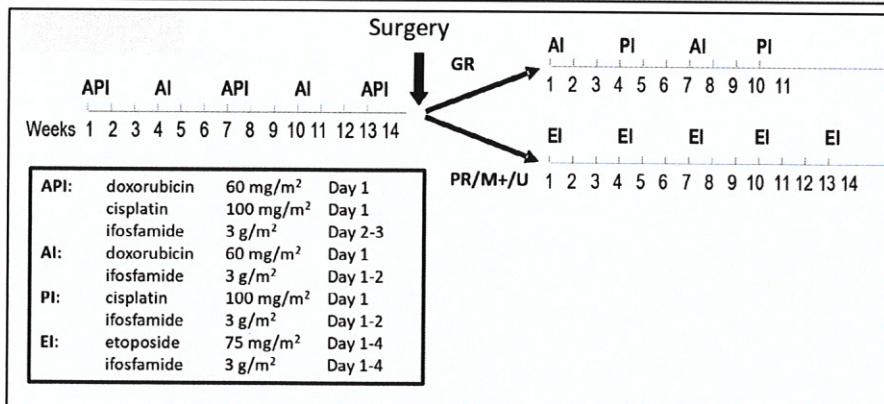
Int. J. Cancer: 146, 413–423 (2020)

Sophie Piperno-Neumann <sup>①</sup>, Isabelle Ray-Coquard <sup>②</sup>, Bob-Valéry Occean <sup>③</sup>, Valérie Laurence <sup>④</sup>, Didier Cupissol <sup>④</sup>, Christophe Perrin <sup>⑤</sup>, Nicolas Penel <sup>⑥</sup>, Emmanuelle Bompas <sup>⑦</sup>, Maria Rios <sup>⑧</sup>, Axel Le Cesne <sup>⑨</sup>, Antoine Italiano <sup>⑩</sup>, Philippe Anract <sup>⑪</sup>, Gonzague de Pinieux <sup>⑫</sup>, Olivier Collard <sup>⑬</sup>, François Bertucci <sup>⑭</sup>, Florence Duffaud <sup>⑮</sup>, Marie-Cécile Le Delye <sup>⑯</sup>, Jessy Delaye <sup>⑰</sup>, Laurence Brugieres <sup>⑱</sup> and Jean-Yves Blay <sup>⑲</sup>

106 pts

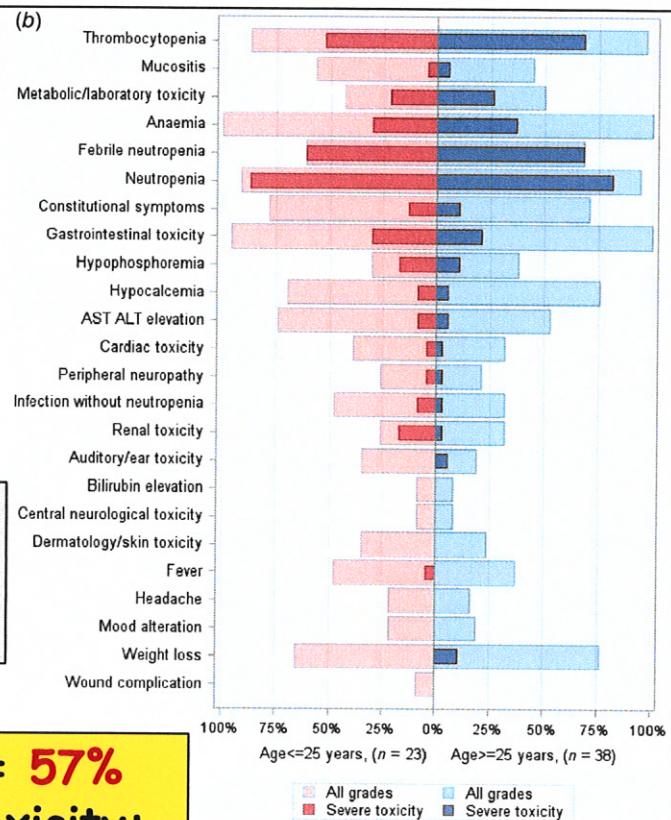
< 18 years = MTX HD  
18-25 years = MTX HD or API-AI  
> 25 years = API-AI

### Prespecified subgroup analysis of API-AI group



- Median age = 30 years
- 62% > 25 years
- 92% conventional
- 74% localised disease
- 38% GR

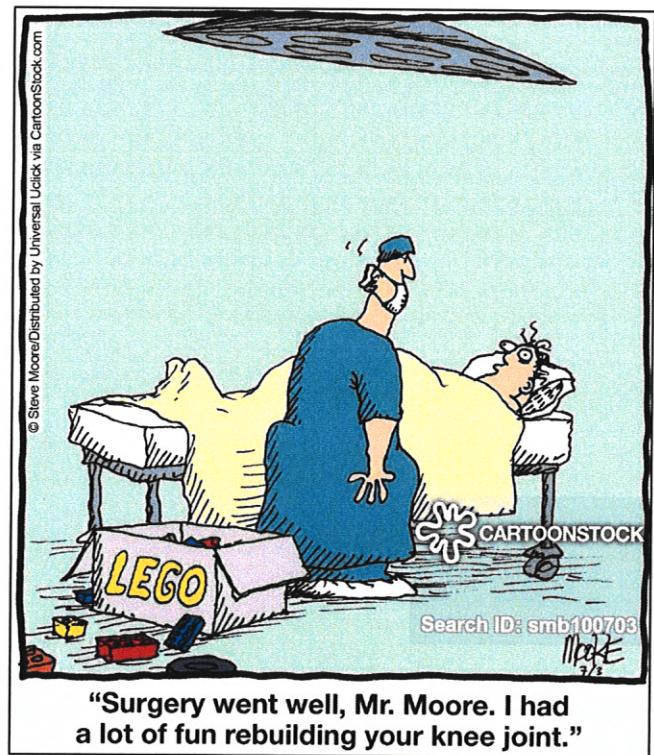
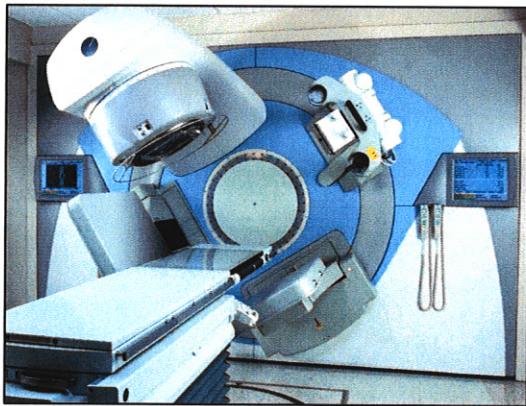
**NS difference in severe acute toxicity between > or < 25 years**



- 5y-EFS = 46%; 5y-OS = 57%
- API-AI = avoids MTX toxicity; feasible; no excess toxicity; favourable activity

## LOCAL TREATMENT

Previously discussed by my colleagues



# ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY

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THE NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE

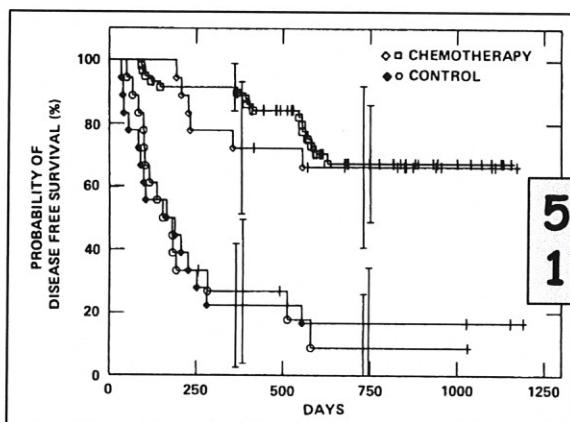
June 19, 1986

## THE EFFECT OF ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY ON RELAPSE-FREE SURVIVAL IN PATIENTS WITH OSTEOSARCOMA OF THE EXTREMITY

MICHAEL P. LINK, M.D., ALLEN M. GOORIN, M.D., ANGELA W. MISER, M.D., ALEXANDER A. GREEN, M.D., CHARLES B. PRATT, M.D., JEAN B. BELASCO, M.D., JON PRITCHARD, F.R.C.P., JAMES S. MALPAS, F.R.C.P., ALAN R. BAKER, M.D., JOHN A. KIRKPATRICK, M.D., ALBERTO G. AYALA, M.D., JONATHAN J. SHUSTER, PH.D., HERBERT T. ABELSON, M.D., JOSEPH V. SIMONE, M.D., AND TERESA J. VIETTI, M.D.

### Adjvant CT (BLEO + HD-MTX + CISPLATIN + DOXO) vs SURVEILLANCE

56pts



56 pts = 2y-EFS = 17 / 66%  
113 pts = 6y-EFS = 11 / 61%

EILBER ET AL., JCO 1987

### Neo-adjuvant CT (DOXO) and Adjuvant CT (BLEO + HD-MTX + DOXO) vs SURVEILLANCE

59pts

59 pts = 2y-EFS = 20 / 55%



Very few patients but very significant differences

# NEO- or ADJUVANT CHEMO ??

## POG 8651 TRIAL / GOORIN JCO 2003

100pts

Schéma	N	Taux d'amputation	5-y EFS	5-y OS
CT-CHIR	45	50 %	65 %	78 %
R MTX-AP-BCD			p = 0.8	p = 0.6
CHIR-CT	55	45 %	69 %	79 %

NO DIFFERENCE in EFS, OS and CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

SoC = NEO-ADJUVANT because

- surgery planning
- personalization of conservative surgery
- histological response evaluation

ALTERING THERAPY BASED ON HISTOLOGICAL RESPONSE IMPROVED OUTCOME ?

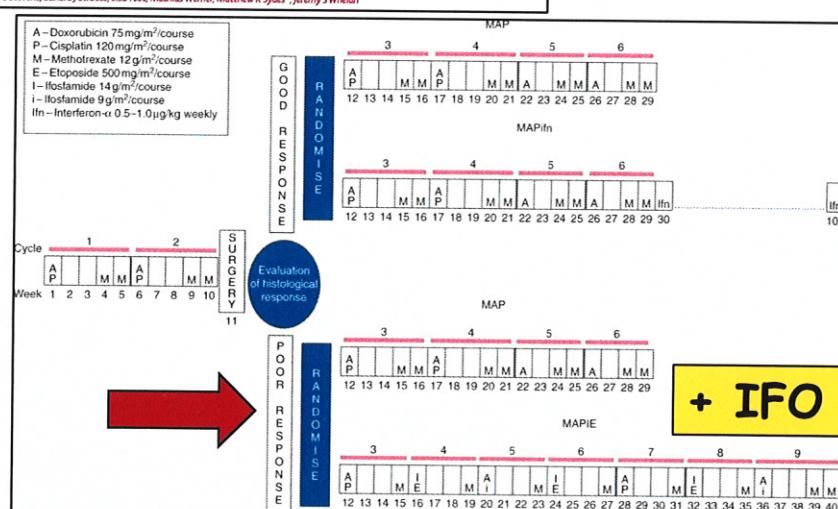
## EURAMOS-1 TRIAL

Comparison of MAPIE versus MAP in patients with a poor response to preoperative chemotherapy for newly diagnosed high-grade osteosarcoma (EURAMOS-1): an open-label, international, randomised controlled trial

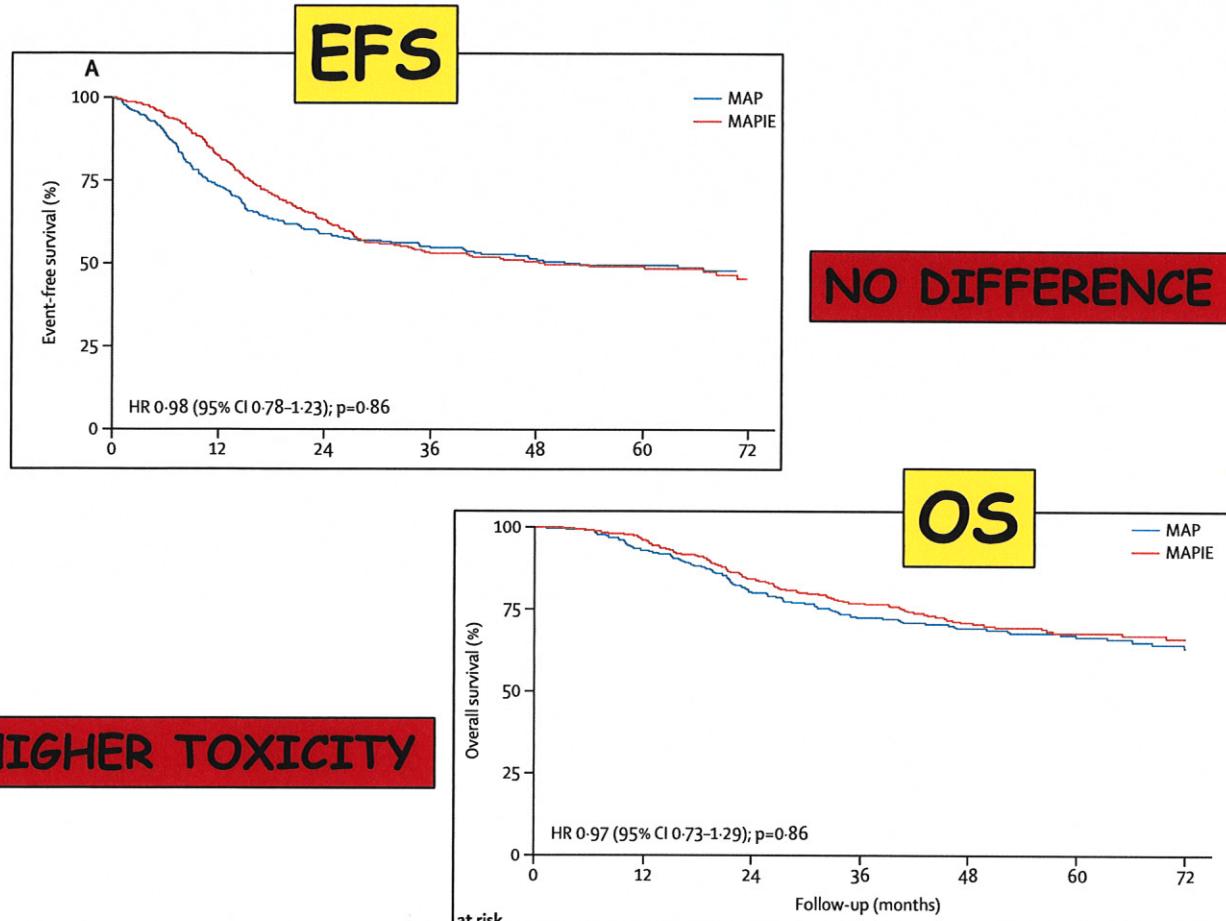
Lancet Oncol 2016; 17: 1396-408

618 pts

POOR RESPONDERS



+ IFO + ETOPOSIDE ??

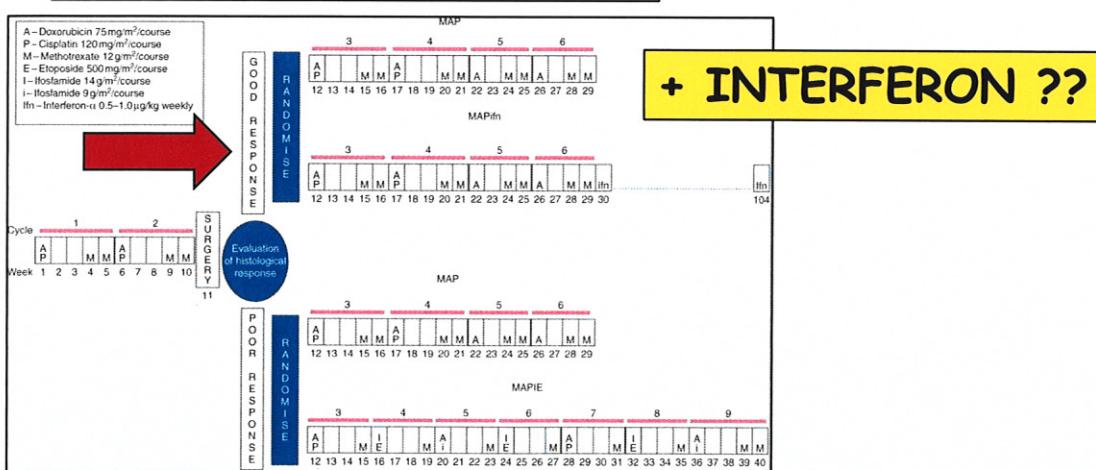


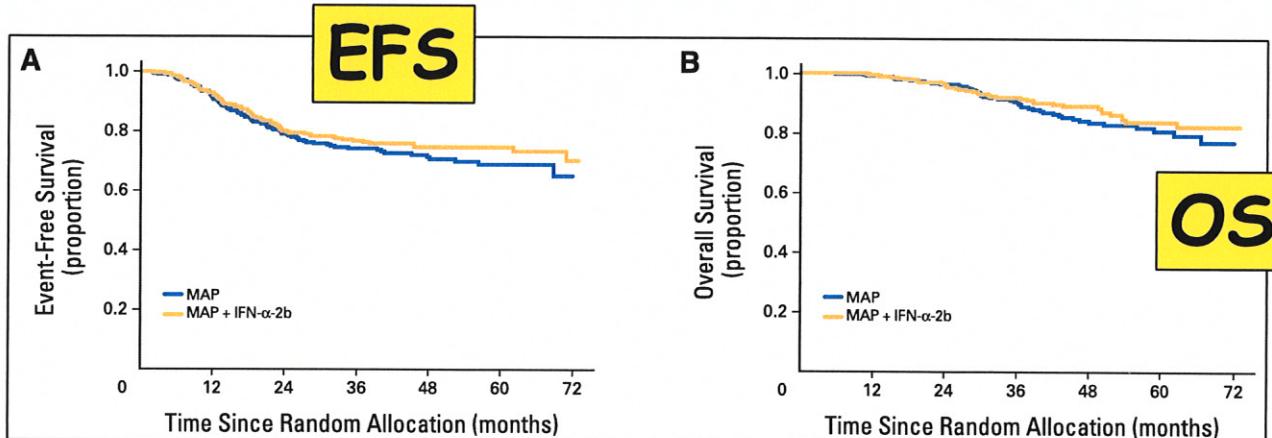
## EURAMOS-1 TRIAL



716 pts

GOOD RESPONDERS





**EFS = 77 vs 80%**  
**HR = 0.83**  
**CI, 0.59-1.17**  
**P = 0.284**

**NO DIFFERENCE**

**OS = 81 vs 84%**  
**HR = 0.77**  
**CI, 0.50-1.19**  
**P = ...**

- Considerable proportion of patients allocated to IFN never started or did not complete treatment with the drug, which complicates interpretation of the efficacy data
- Reported toxicity in patients who started IFN did not seem excessive

## ZOLEDRONATE / OS 2006 TRIAL

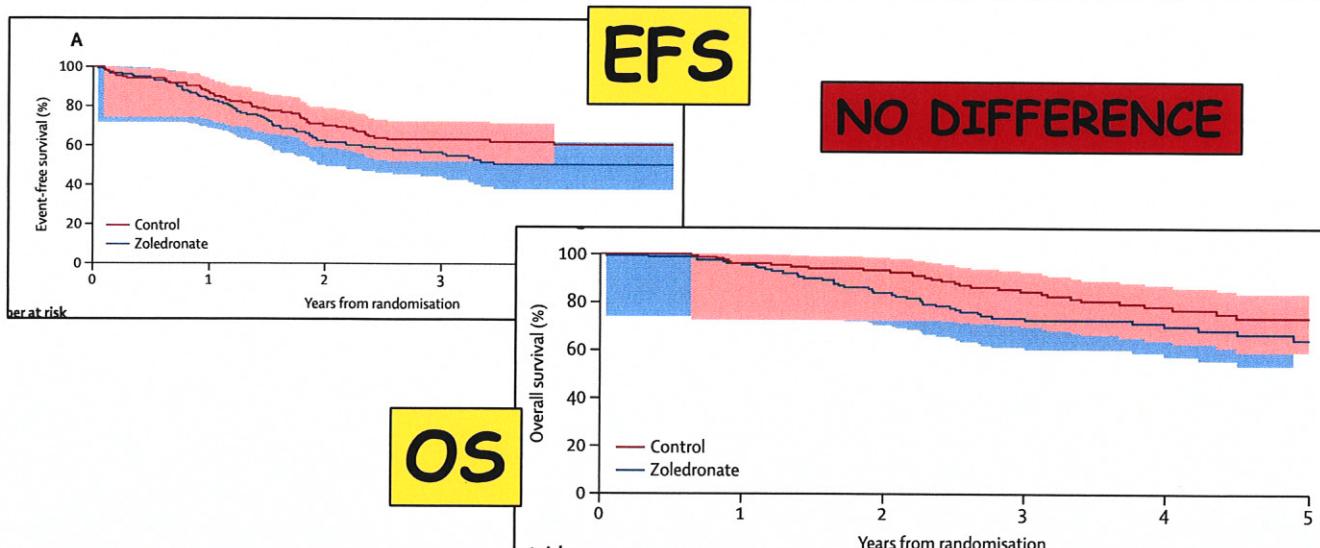
Zoledronate in combination with chemotherapy and surgery to treat osteosarcoma (OS2006): a randomised, multicentre, open-label, phase 3 trial

*Lancet Oncology 2016*

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318 pts

**ZOLEDRONATE = 10 monthly (4 PRE-OP / 6 POST-OP)**



# MURAMYL TRIPEPTIDE (MTP) / INT-0133 TRIAL

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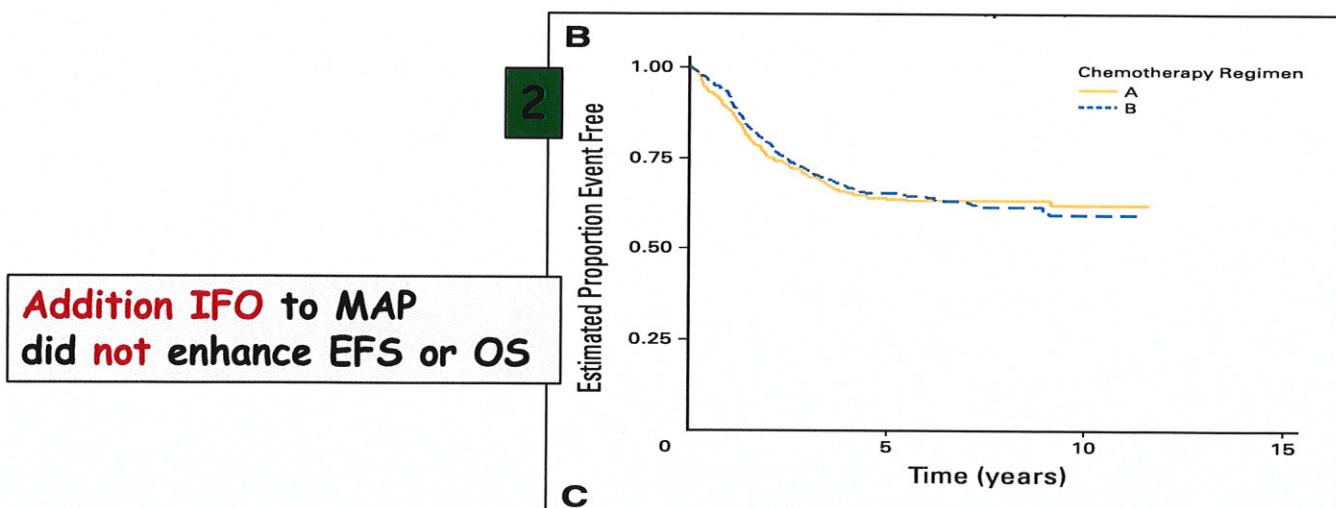
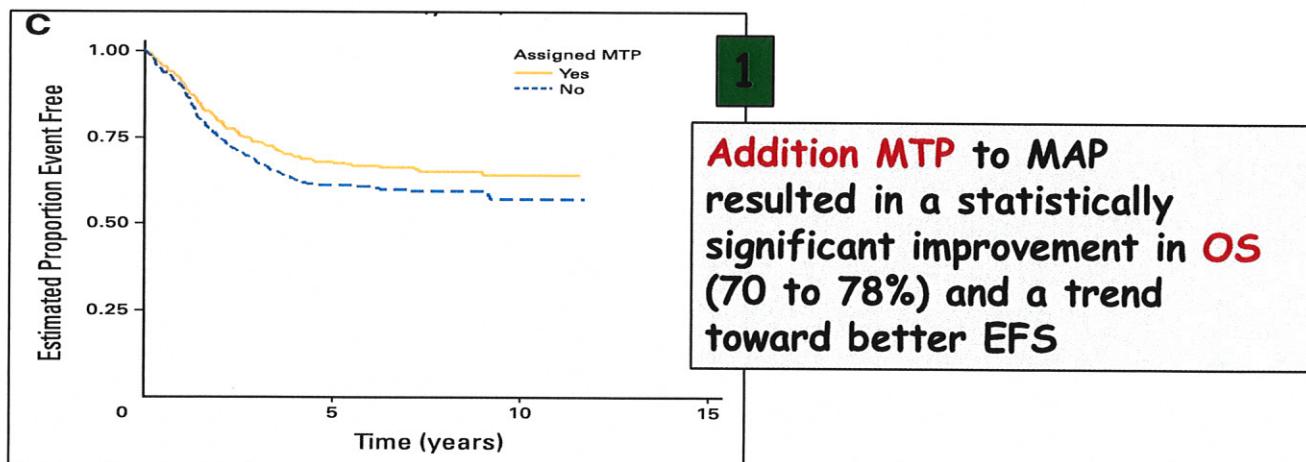
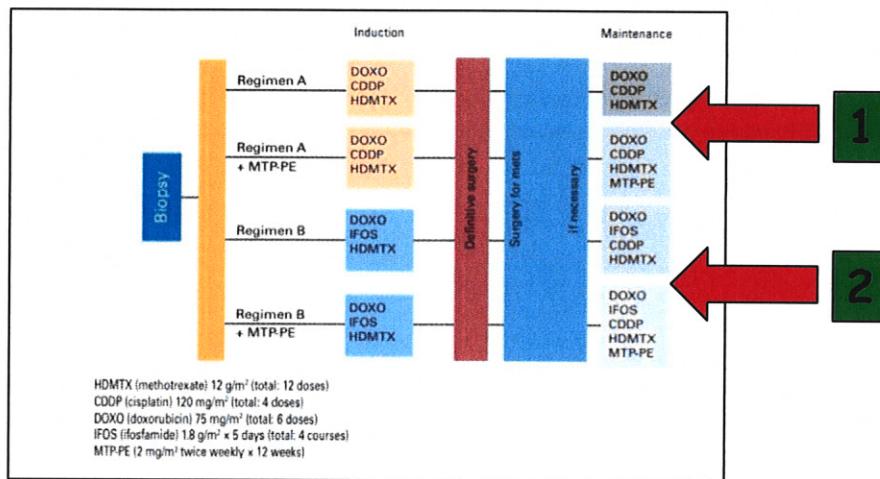
ORIGINAL REPORT

677 pts

## Osteosarcoma: The Addition of Muramyl Tripeptide to Chemotherapy Improves Overall Survival—A Report From the Children's Oncology Group

Paul A. Meyers, Cindy L. Schwartz, Mark D. Kralio, John H. Healey, Mark L. Bernstein, Donna Becher, William S. Ferguson, Mark C. Gebhardt, Allan M. Gorin, Michael Harris, Eugene Kleinerman, Michael P. Link, Helen Nadel, Michael Nieder, Gene P. Siegal, Michael A. Weiner, Robert J. Wells, Richard B. Womer, and Holcombe E. Grier

## IMMUNO-STIMULATOR



# PRIMARY METASTATIC DISEASE

10 - 20%

- Prognosis factors = **number of M+ at diagnosis; complete surgical resection of all clinically detected tumour sites**
- Treated following the **same principles** of non-metastatic disease
- Long-term survival rates were higher for patients whose **M+ were excised following CT and surgery of the primary tumor** compared to those patients whose M+ could not be removed (48 / 5%)...

# RECURRENT DISEASE

## TREATMENT DECISION TAKING INTO ACCOUNT

- The **timing** of recurrences/metastases
- The **number** of metastases
- The metastatic **sites**

## ISOLATED LUNG M+

- Complete removal of all metastases must be attempted; >30% of patients with a complete second surgical remission survive for 5 years
- For lung metastases, **stereotactic RT, radiofrequency ablation or cryotherapy** might be used as alternative options in patients unfit for surgery

## CHEMOTHERAPY DRUGS

IFOSFAMIDE (HIGH-DOSE) OR CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE  
+/- ETOPOSIDE +/- CARBOPLATIN

CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE + TOPOTECAN OR ETOPOSIDE

GEMCITABINE

DOCETAXEL + GEMCITABINE

LIMITED DATA

HIGH-DOSE MTX

- Despite second-line treatment, the prognosis of recurrent disease has remained **poor**, with a long-term post-relapse survival rate of < 20%...

## EMERGING DRUGS



Anna M. Czarnecka <sup>1,2</sup> , Kamil Synoradzki <sup>1</sup> , Wiktoria Firlej <sup>2,3</sup>, Ewa Bartnik <sup>4,5</sup> , Paweł Sobczuk <sup>2,6</sup> , Michał Fiedorowicz <sup>7,8,\*</sup> , Paweł Grieb <sup>1,†</sup> and Piotr Rutkowski <sup>2,‡</sup>

## Comparison of altered genes in pediatric and adolescent vs adult patients

Process	Pediatric	Adolescent/Adult
Control of cell cycle and apoptosis	TP53, RB1, CDKN2A, CDK4, MDM2, MYC, CARD11, CTNND1, BLM, CCNE1, COPS3, PRKCA	TP53,
PI3K-mTOR and RAS-signaling pathways	EGFR, GNAQ, GNAS, ALK, PDGFRA, PDGFRB, PIK3CA, AKT2, PIK3R1, PTEN, TSC2, VHL, CBL	PIK3CA,
Notch-signaling pathway	NOTCH1-4, MAML2, FBXW7, PDPK1, AKT1, E1F4B	AKT1,
DNA damage repair	BRCA1, BRCA2, MLH1, BAP1, ATM, WRN	SETD2, FBXW7
Chromatin modification	ATRX, FANCE, RECQL4, ARID1A, EP300	H3F3A
Regulation of transcription	Runx1, GAS7, MLLT3	
Angiogenesis		TIE1 and KDR

## HETEROGENEOUS DISEASE

## List of protein targets and potential drugs in targeted therapies of OS

Protein	Potential Drug
DNMT1 (DNA (cytosine-5)-methyltransferase 1)	azacytidine (Vidaza), decitabine (Dacogen)
ERBB2 (receptor tyrosine-protein kinase erbB-2)	trastuzumab (Herceptin), lapatinib (Tyverb), afatinib (GIOTRIF/GILOTrif), pertuzumab (PERJETA)
GSR (mitochondrial glutathione reductase)	carmustine (GLIADEL® WAFER)
HDAC1 (histone deacetylase 1)	vorinostat (Zolinza)
HDAC2 (histone deacetylase 2)	romidepsin (Istodax)
KIT (mast/stem cell growth factor receptor kit)	imatinib (Gleevec), sorafenib (Nexavar), sunitinib (Sutent), pazopanib (Votrient), dasatinib (Sprycel), axitinib (Inlyta), nilotinib (Tasigna)
FGFR1 (fibroblast growth factor receptor 1)	lenvatinib (Lenvima)
MET (hepatocyte growth factor receptor)	cabozantinib (COMETRIQ), crizotinib (XALKORI)
MTOR (serine/threonine protein kinase mTOR)	temsirolimus (Torisel), everolimus (Afinitor)
PARP1 (poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase 1)	olaparib (AZD2281)
PDGFR $\alpha$ (platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha)	imatinib (Gleevec), sorafenib (Nexavar), sunitinib (Sutent), pazopanib (Votrient), nilotinib (Tasigna), axitinib (Inlyta) and dasatinib (Sprycel)
PSMC2 (26S protease regulators subunit 7)	bortezomib (Velcade)

## REGORAFENIB

Lancet Oncology 2018

Efficacy and safety of regorafenib in adult patients with metastatic osteosarcoma: a non-comparative, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 2 study

38 pts

Florence Duffaud, Olivier Mir, Pascaline Boudou-Rouquette, Sophie Piperno-Neumann, Nicolas Penel, Emanuelle Bompas, Corinne Delcambre, Elsa Kalbacher, Antoine Italiano, Olivier Collard, Christine Chevreau, Esma Saada, Nicolas Isambert, Jessy Delaye, Camille Schiffler, Corinne Bouvier, Vincent Vidal, Sylvie Chabaud, Jean-Yves Blay, for the French Sarcoma Group

- Progressed after 1-2 previous lines of CT for M+ disease
- REGO ARM = 17/26 pts non-progressive at 8 weeks
- PLACEBO ARM = 0/10 pts

## CABOZANTINIB

Lancet Oncology 2020

Cabozantinib in patients with advanced Ewing sarcoma or osteosarcoma (CABONE): a multicentre, single-arm, phase 2 trial

45 pts (OS)

Antoine Italiano, Olivier Mir, Simone Mathoulin-Pelissier, Nicolas Penel, Sophie Piperno-Neumann, Emmanuelle Bompas, Christine Chevreau, Florence Duffaud, Natacha Entz-Werlé, Esma Saada, Isabelle Ray-Coquard, Cyril Lervat, Nathalie Gaspar, Perrine Marec-Berard, Hélène Pacquement, John Wright, Maud Toulmonde, Alban Bessede, Amandine Crombe, Michèle Kind, Carine Bellera, Jean-Yves Blay

- 5 / 42 pts = 12% ORR
- 33% = 6 months non-progressive

# RARE SUB-TYPES

**LOW-GRADE**

**INTRA-MEDULLARY / SURFACE (PAROSTEAL)**

**SURGERY ALONE**

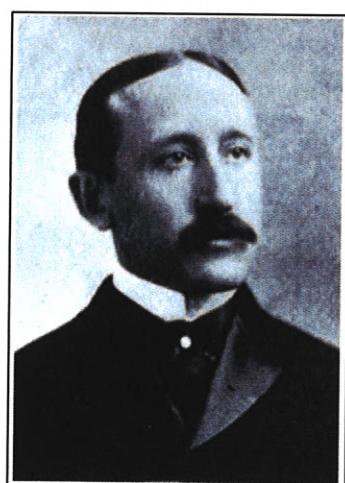
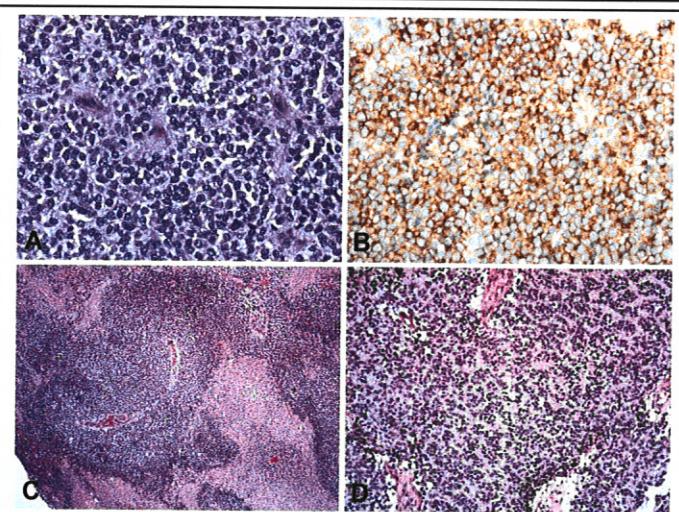
**INTERMEDIATE-GRADE**

**PERIOSTEAL**

**SURGERY ? CT FOLLOWED BY SURGERY ?  
RETROSPECTIVE ANALYSES  
NO STRONG DATA**

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## **EWING SARCOMA FAMILY OF TUMORS**



# LOCATION

- vary with age
- most common primary site = **extremity bones (50%)**, followed by pelvis, ribs and vertebra
- **older AYA** patients (20-24 years of age) had more **pelvic and axial** primary tumours, larger tumours and worse outcomes than children (0-9 years of age)
- in **older** patients tend to occur more frequently in **soft tissues**

## 2013 WHO CLASSIFICATION

- defines these tumours as ES, characterized by pathognomonic **FET-ETS gene fusions**.
- also includes the term « **Ewing-like sarcomas (ELS)** » = small round cell sarcomas with morphologically similar appearances to ES but characterized by different fusion genes and clinical and pathological features; ...biologically distinct from **FET-ETS ES**.



EWSR1-non-ETS fusions	EWSR1-NFATc2 EWSR1-POU5F1 EWSR1-SMARCA5 EWSR1-PATZ EWSR1-SP3	CIC-fused sarcomas This group of ELSs includes sarcomas with CIC-DUX4, CIC-FOXO4 and CIC-NUTM1 fusions <sup>206,207</sup> .
Non-TET-non-ETS fusion	BCOR-CCNB3	BCOR-rearranged sarcomas This group of ELSs includes sarcomas with BCOR-CCNB3, BCOR-MAML3 and ZC3H7B-BCOR fusions and sarcomas with BCOR internal duplications <sup>208</sup> .

NFATC2 sarcomas
This group of ELSs includes sarcomas with EWSR1-NFATC2 fusions, which commonly show an EWSR1 amplification pattern on fluorescence in situ hybridization <sup>209</sup> .

- Genetically well characterized: its main driver mutations = **specific chromosomal translocations** fusing
  - a member of the **FET family** of proteins (encoded by ***FUS*, *EWSR1* and *TAF15***), RNA-binding proteins involved in transcription and splicing,
  - different members of the **ETS family** of transcription factors, involved in cell proliferation, cell differentiation, cell-cycle control, angiogenesis and apoptosis — most commonly ***FLI1*** (85% of cases)

<b>FET part</b>	<b>ETS part</b>	<b>Fusion gene</b>	<b>Chromosomal translocation</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
<b><i>FUS</i></b>	<b><i>FEV</i> <i>ERG</i></b>	<b><i>FUS-FEV</i> <i>FUS-ERG</i></b>	<b><i>t(2;16)(q35;p11)</i> <i>t(16;21)(p11;q22)</i></b>	<1% <1%
<b><i>EWSR1</i></b>	<b><i>FLI1</i> <i>ERG</i> <i>ETV1</i> <i>ETV4</i> <i>FEV</i> <i>ETV5 (?)</i></b>	<b><i>EWSR1-FLI1</i> <i>EWSR1-ERG</i> <i>EWSR1-ETV1</i> <i>EWSR1-ETV4</i> <i>EWSR1-FEV</i> <i>EWSR1-ETV5</i></b>	<b><i>t(11;22)(q24;q12)</i> <i>t(21;22)(q22;q12)</i> <i>t(7;22)(p22;q12)</i> <i>t(17;22)(q21;q12)</i> <i>t(2;22)(q33;q12)</i> ?</b>	<b>≈85% ≈10% &lt;1% &lt;1% &lt;1% ?</b>
<b><i>TAF15</i></b>	<b>?</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>?</b>



## STAGING AND RISK CLASSIFICATION

- The **clinical stage at diagnosis** is one of the **major predictors** of survival. The accurate determination of tumour burden at diagnosis is a critical factor in planning treatment and predicting outcome.
- Tumour volume (TV) =  $a \times b \times c \times F$** , where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  represent the maximum tumour dimensions in three planes, with  $F = 0.52$  for spherical tumours or  $F = 0.785$  for cylindrical tumours. Large tumours **>200 ml** = associated with worse outcome.

<b>Standard risk</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patients with localized disease, small tumours and good histological response (&lt;10% vital tumour cells)</li> <li>Patients with small tumours &lt;200 ml in whom histological response cannot be assessed</li> <li>In European trials, histological response to induction chemotherapy has been reported as a significant biomarker in the group of patients with localized disease<sup>70,214–216</sup></li> </ul>
<b>High-risk localized</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unfavourable histological response</li> <li>More than 10% vital tumour cells</li> <li>Patients with large tumours (<math>\geq 200</math> ml) in whom histological response cannot be assessed are also stratified in the high-risk group in European trials<sup>70,144,217</sup></li> <li>The North American study groups do not substratify patients with localized disease<sup>147</sup></li> </ul>
<b>Very high-risk metastatic</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disseminated disease</li> <li>Patients with lung metastases have been reported to have a better outcome than patients with other metastases<sup>142</sup></li> </ul>

# **LOCALISED DISEASE**

## **NEO-ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY**

**VINCA ALKALOIDS + ALKYLATING  
+ ANTHRACYCLINES AGENTS**

**AMERICAN**

**VDC/IE**  
**VINCRISTIN + DOXORUBICIN +  
CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE alternating with  
IFOSFAMIDE and ETOPOSIDE**

**EUROPEAN**

**VIDE**  
**VINCRISTIN + IFOSFAMIDE +  
DOXORUBICIN +  
ETOPOSIDE**

# INTERVAL- COMPRESSED CT ?

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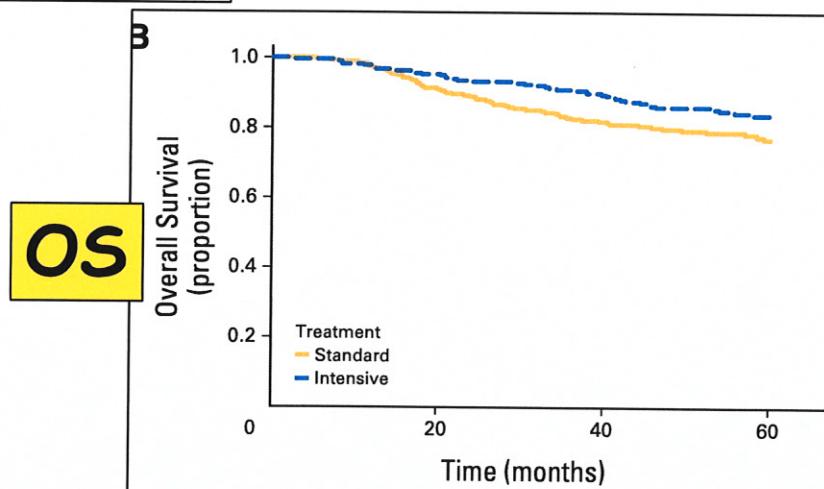
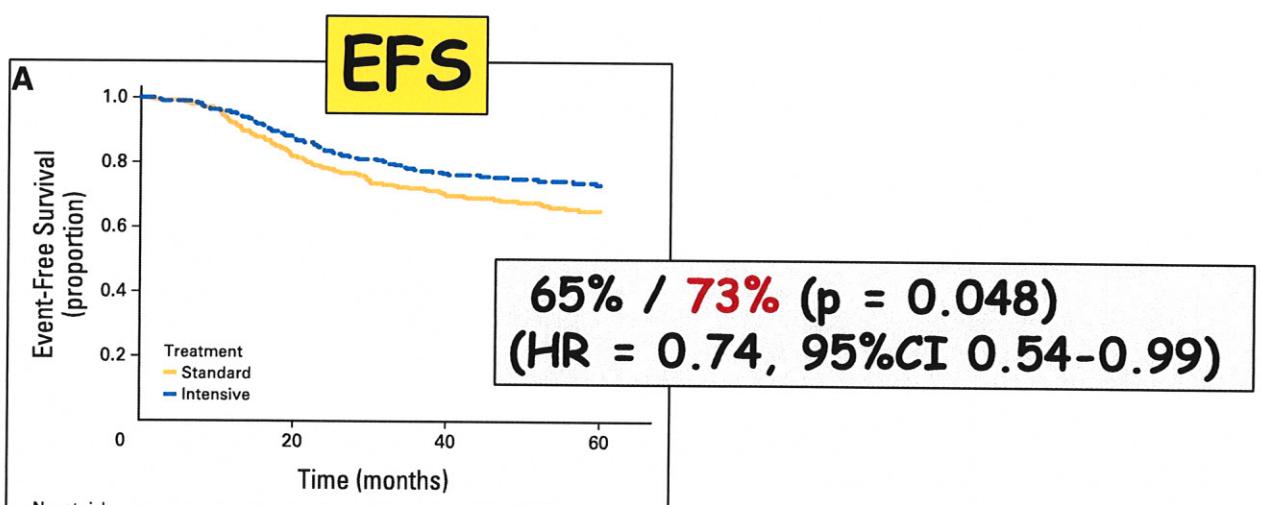
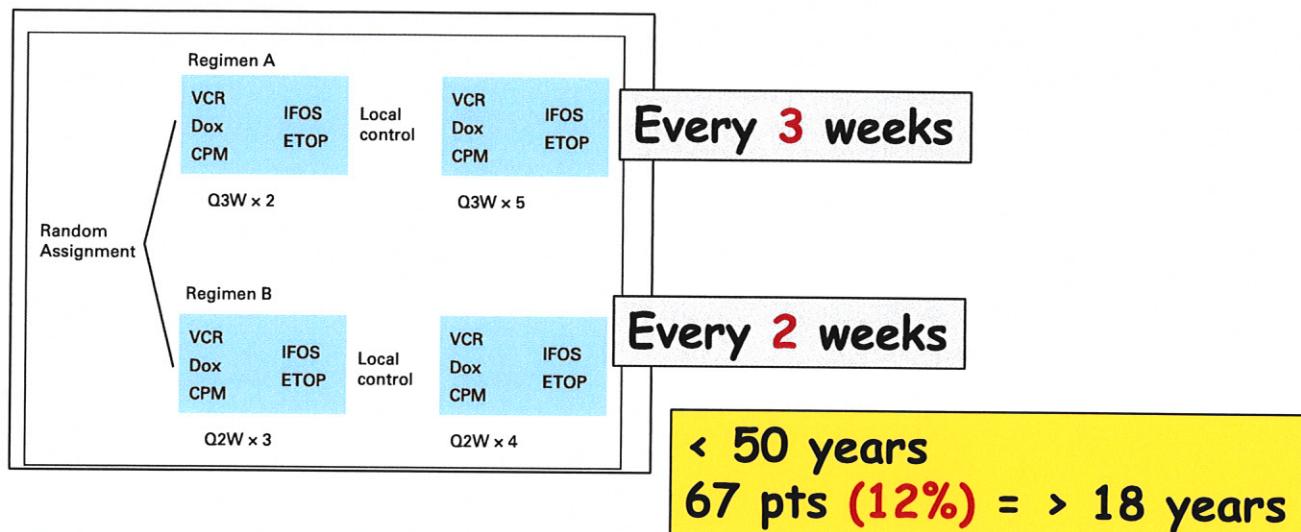
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ORIGINAL REPORT

**587 pts**

Randomized Controlled Trial of Interval-Compressed Chemotherapy for the Treatment of Localized Ewing Sarcoma: A Report From the Children's Oncology Group

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## Localized Adult Ewing Sarcoma: Favorable Outcomes with Alternating Vincristine, Doxorubicin, Cyclophosphamide, and Ifosfamide, Etoposide (VDC/IE)-Based Multimodality Therapy

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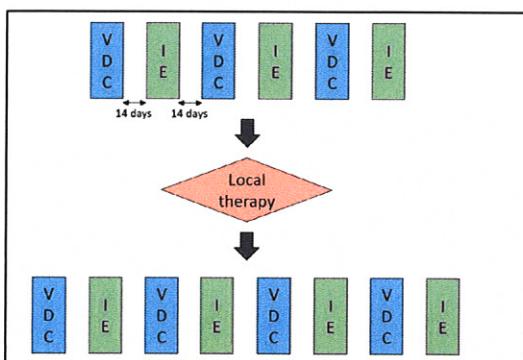
Median age = 28 years  
19% = > 40 years

5-y LRFS non-pelvic / pelvic = 96% / 64%  
5-y PFS = 66%  
5-y OS = 79%

Survival for adults with localized ES appears to be better than historical data and similar to excellent outcomes in children

## Feasibility of Treating Adults with Ewing or Ewing-Like Sarcoma with Interval-Compressed Vincristine, Doxorubicin, and Cyclophosphamide Alternating with Ifosfamide and Etoposide

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Characteristic (n = 24)	Value
Age, years	
Median (range)	28.6 (18.7–60.6)
Age, n (%) years	
18–29	15 (62.5)
30–49	4 (16.7)
50+	5 (20.8)
Sex, n (%)	
Male	15 (62.5)
Female	9 (37.5)
Race, n (%)	
White	23 (95.8)
Multiracial	1 (4.2)
Ethnicity, n (%)	
Non-Hispanic	21 (87.5)
Hispanic	3 (12.5)
Largest tumor dimension, cm	
Median (range)	7.2 (2.2–15.5)
Anatomic site, n (%)	
Extremity	9 (37.5)
Soft tissue	6 (25.0)
Pelvis	4 (16.7)
Head and neck	2 (8.3)
Thorax	2 (8.3)
Spine	1 (4.2)
Metastatic at diagnosis, n (%)	
No	16 (66.7)
Yes	8 (33.3)

- Early discontinuation = 17%
- Doses reduction = minimal with mean cumulative dose comparable to original planned dose

# EURO-EWING 2012 PROTOCOL

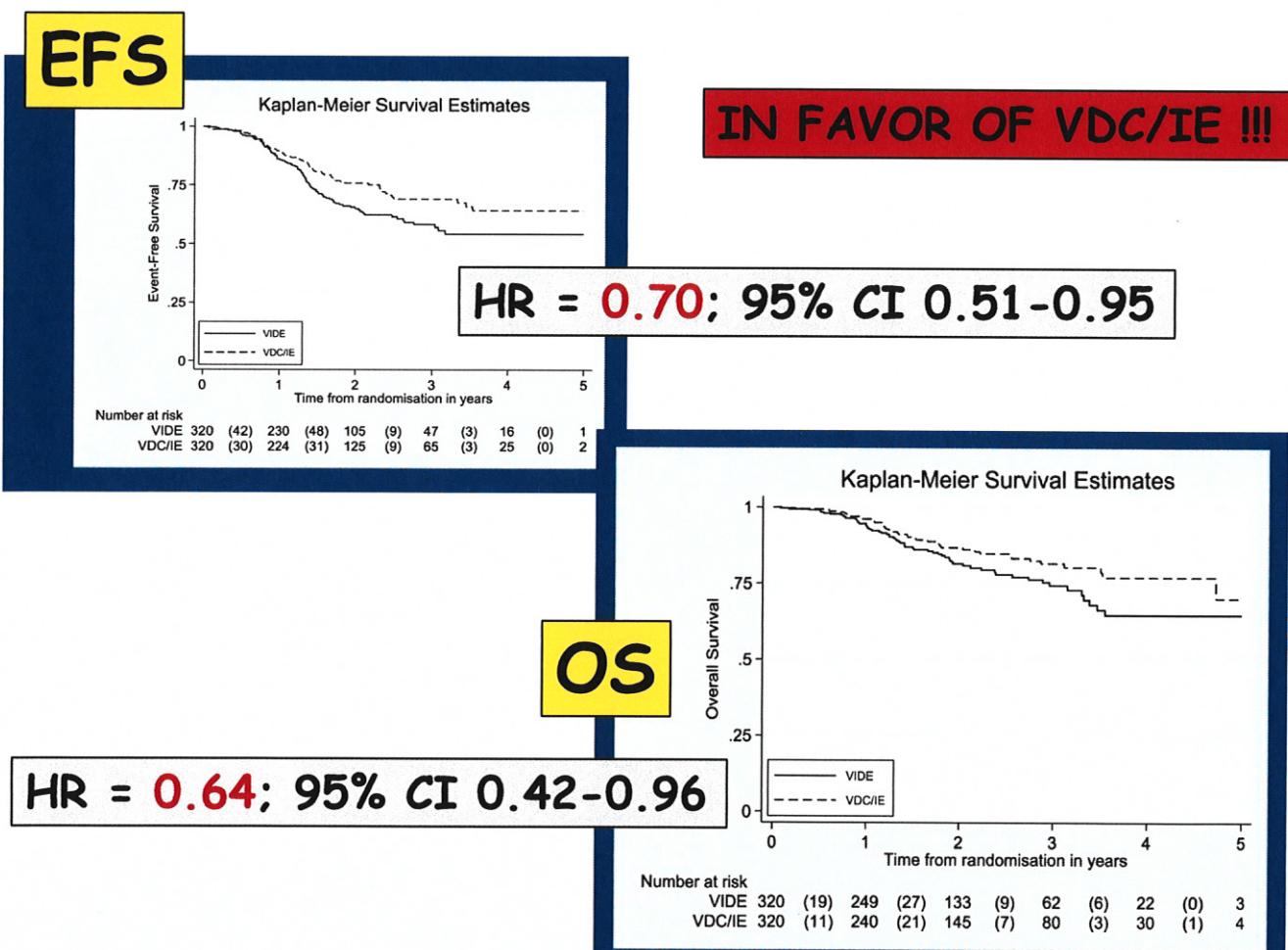
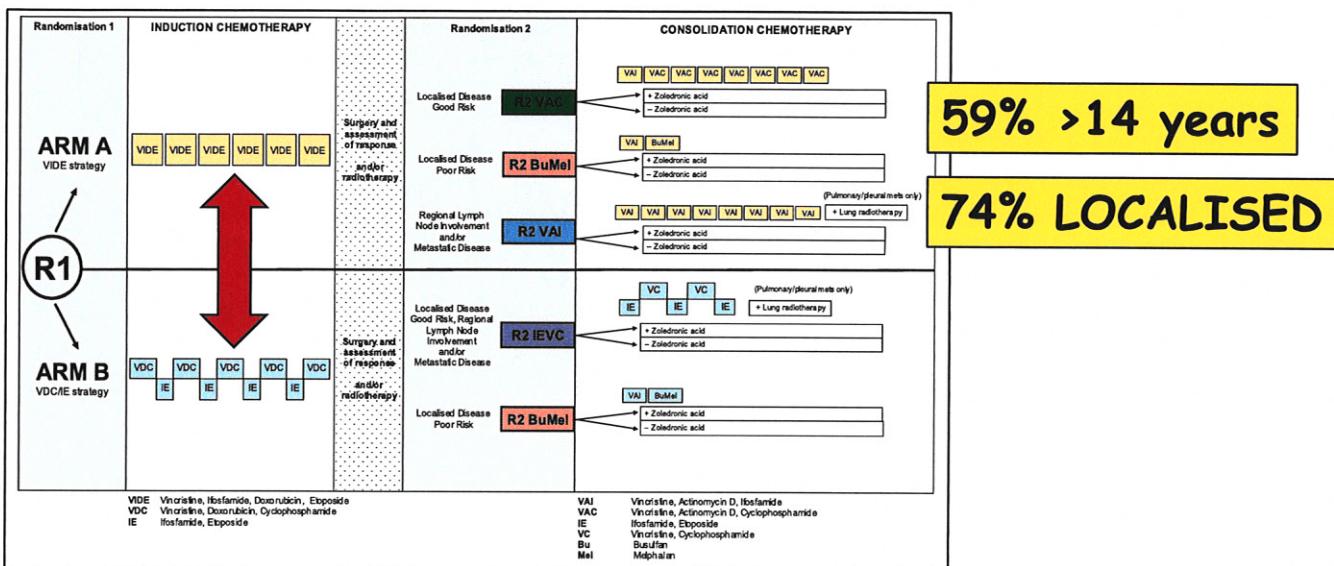
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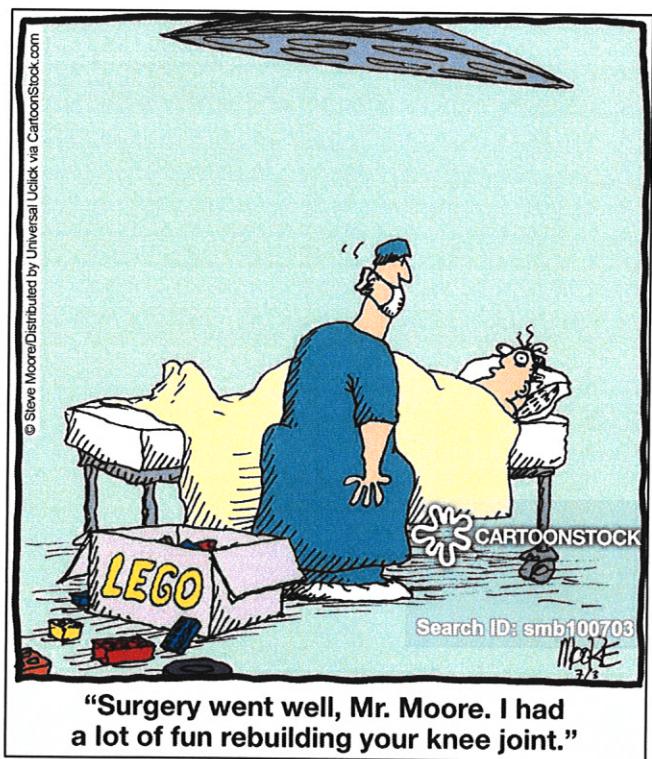
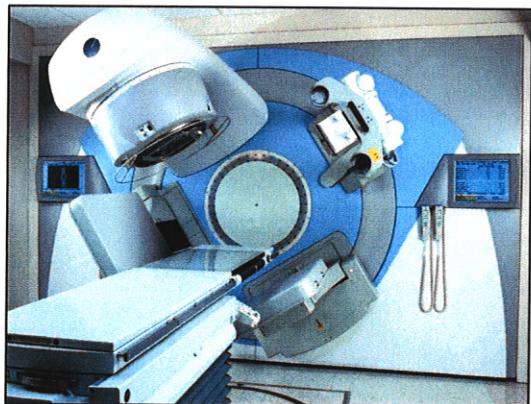


# GRADE 3-5 ADVERSE EVENTS

Patients with grade 3-5 adverse events (%)	VIDE	VDC/IE
Induction: Any event	91	90
Specific AEs (occurring in >10% of patients):		
Haematological	85	77
Gastrointestinal	35	39
Infections	19	20
<b>Febrile neutropenia</b>	73	57
Consolidation: Any event	65	65

## LOCAL TREATMENT

Previously discussed by my colleagues



# ADJUVANT or MAINTENANCE CHEMOTHERAPY

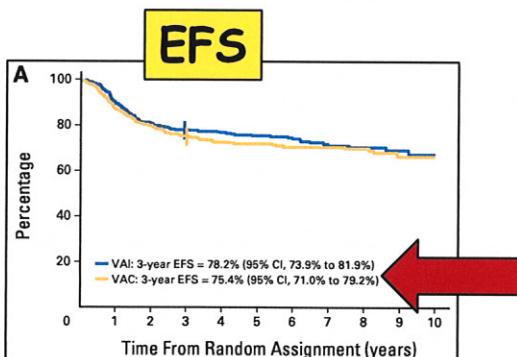
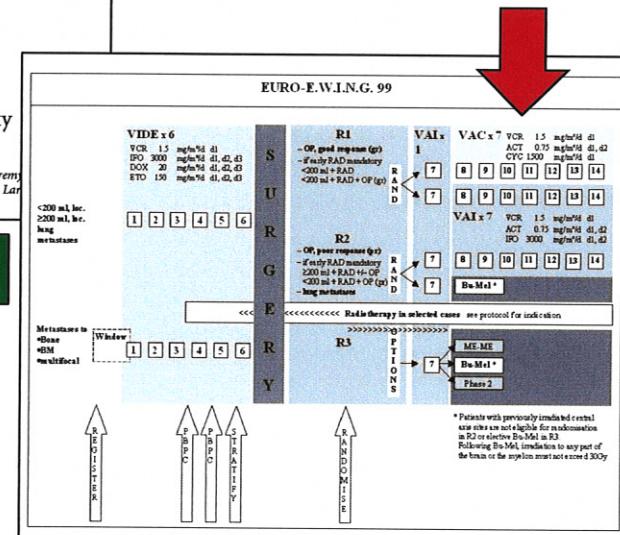
## STANDARD-RISK

**CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE OR IFOSFAMIDE ??**

### EURO-EWING 99-R1 PROTOCOL



856 patients



## TOXICITY

A detailed table comparing toxicities between the VAI and VAC arms. The table includes columns for Toxicity, VAI Arm (No. and %), VAC Arm (No. and %), Odds Ratio VAC/VAI, 95% CI, and Nominal P.

Toxicity	VAI Arm		VAC Arm		Odds Ratio VAC/VAI	95% CI	Nominal P
	No.*	%	No.*	%			
Severe hematologic toxicity, grade ≥ 4	319 of 406	79	343 of 408	84	1.49	1.03 to 2.2	.03†
Anemia, grade 4	44 of 406	11	46 of 408	11	1.05	0.68 to 1.62	.84‡
Leucopenia, grade ≥ 4	256 of 406	63	283 of 408	69	1.36	1.01 to 1.85	.04†
Neutropenia, grade ≥ 4	291 of 383	76	313 of 386	81	1.43	0.99 to 2.1	.06†
Thrombocytopenia, grade ≥ 4	143 of 406	35	183 of 408	45	1.53	1.15 to 2.0	< .001†
Infection, grade ≥ 2	168 of 404	42	176 of 409	43	1.08	0.81 to 1.44	.62†
Other toxicity	215 of 408	53	207 of 410	50	0.92	0.70 to 1.22	.56†
General condition, grade ≥ 3	34 of 395	9	23 of 400	5.8	0.65	0.37 to 1.12	.12†
Stomatitis, grade ≥ 3	12 of 404	3.0	11 of 408	2.7	0.91	0.40 to 2.1	.83†
Vomiting, grade ≥ 3	26 of 405	6.4	19 of 407	4.7	0.72	0.39 to 1.32	.29†
Diarrhea, grade ≥ 3	8 of 404	2.0	5 of 408	1.2	0.61	0.20 to 1.89	.40†
Skin toxicity, grade ≥ 3	13 of 404	3.2	6 of 407	1.5	0.45	0.17 to 1.20	.11‡
Creatinine, grade ≥ 2	8 of 403	2.0	8 of 408	2.0	0.99	0.37 to 2.7	.98‡
Proteinuria, grade ≥ 2	7 of 345	2.0	5 of 354	1.4	0.69	0.22 to 2.2	.53‡
Hematuria, grade ≥ 2	8 of 357	2.2	8 of 362	2.2	0.99	0.37 to 2.7	.98‡
Glomerular function, grade ≥ 2	12 of 314	3.8	4 of 308	1.3	0.33	0.11 to 1.04	.06†
Tubular function, grade ≥ 2	71 of 229	31	34 of 208	16	0.41	0.26 to 0.67	< .001†
Hyperbilirubinemia, grade ≥ 3	9 of 386	2.3	6 of 391	1.5	0.65	0.23 to 1.85	.42†
Transaminase elevation, grade ≥ 3	14 of 402	3.5	16 of 402	4.0	1.15	0.55 to 2.4	.71‡
Cardiac toxicity, grade ≥ 2	4 of 332	1.2	3 of 313	1.0	0.79	0.18 to 3.6	.76‡
LV-SF impairment, grade ≥ 2	13 of 283	4.6	7 of 249	2.8	0.68	0.26 to 1.77	.43†
Central neurotoxicity, grade ≥ 2	7 of 404	1.7	3 of 406	0.7	0.42	0.11 to 1.64	.21‡
Peripheral neurotoxicity, grade ≥ 2	26 of 403	6.5	28 of 406	6.9	1.08	0.62 to 1.89	.79†

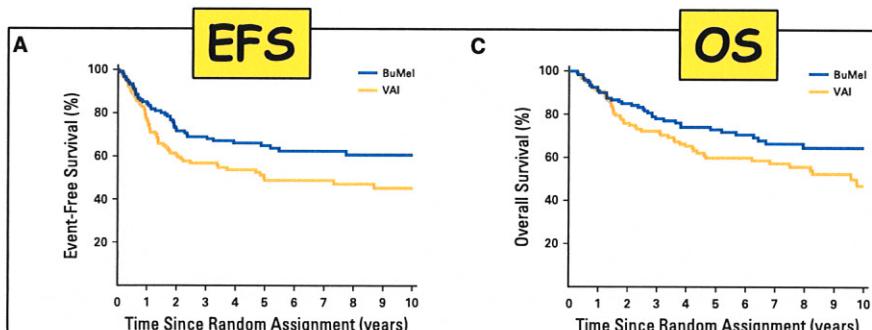
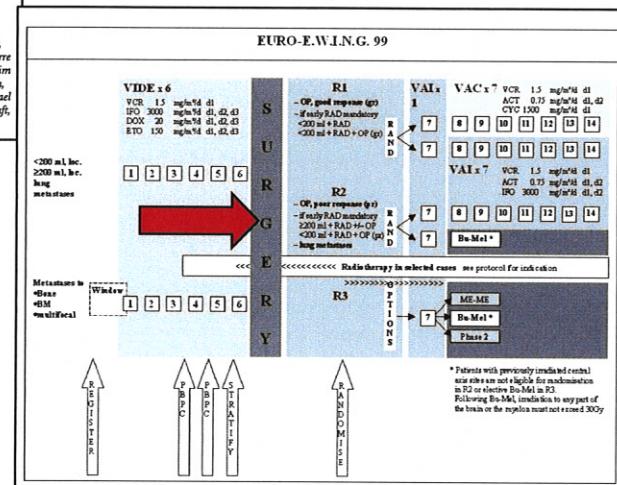
# LOCALIZED HIGH-RISK

CLASSIC CT versus HIGH-DOSE CT ???

EURO-EWING 99 and 2008 PROTOCOLS

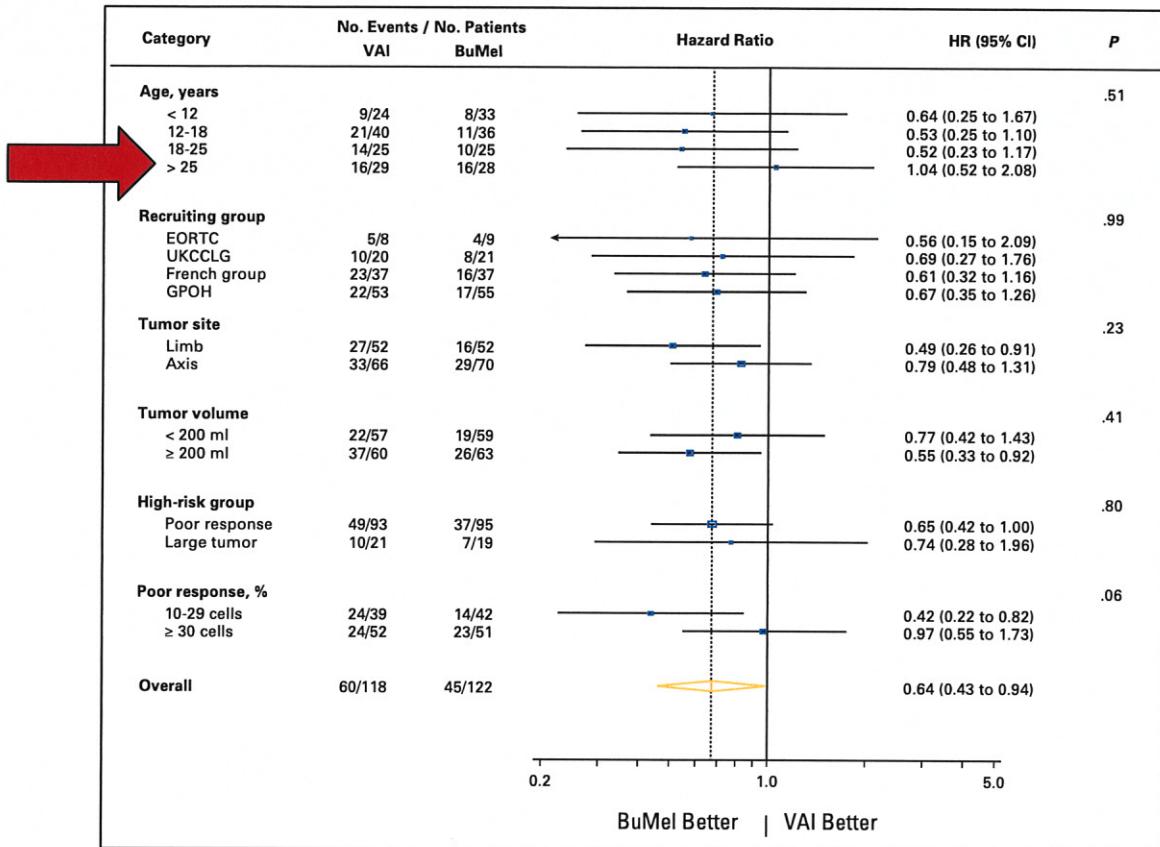


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Outcome	Intention-To-Treat Analysis		As-Treated Population*	
	VAI Arm (n = 118)	BuMel Arm (n = 122)	VAI Arm, n = 116	BuMel Arm (n = 93)
<b>EFS</b>				
No. and type of events	60	45	60	33
Progression/relapse	56	37	56	27
Local progression or relapse	8	5	8	4
Without metastases	48	32	48	23
Distant metastases				
With or without local progression or relapse				
Secondary malignancy	3	2	3	2
Death as first reported event†	1	6	1	4
Treatment-related death	0	3‡	0	2
Death from other cause	1	2§	1	1
Death from unknown cause	0	1	0	1
3-year EFS since randomization, % (95% CI)	56.7 (47.6 to 65.4)	69.0 (60.2 to 76.6)	56.0 (46.8 to 64.8)	71.7 (61.8 to 79.9)
8-year EFS since randomization, % (95% CI)	47.1 (37.7 to 56.8)	60.7 (51.1 to 69.6)	46.3 (36.8 to 56.0)	62.8 (51.9 to 72.6)
HR of event (95% CI)	1	0.64 (0.43 to 0.95)	1	0.57 (0.37 to 0.88)
P		.026#		.010
Adjusted HR of event (95% CI)##	1	0.65 (0.44 to 0.96)	1	0.58 (0.38 to 0.89)
P		.032		.012
<b>Overall survival</b>				
No. and cause of deaths	53	37	53	28
Due to progression/relapse	48	31	48	24
Treatment-related death	0	3§	0	2
Secondary malignancy	4	0	4	0
Other cause	1	2	1	1
Unknown cause	1	1	1	1
3-y OS from randomization, % (95% CI)	72.2 (63.3 to 79.6)	78.0 (69.6 to 84.5)	71.7 (62.8 to 79.2)	79.2 (69.8 to 86.3)
8-y OS from randomization, % (95% CI)	55.6 (45.8 to 65.1)	64.5 (54.4 to 73.5)	55.0 (45.1 to 64.5)	65.4 (54.1 to 75.3%)
HR of death (95% CI)	1	0.63 (0.41 to 0.95)	1	0.58 (0.37 to 0.92)
P		.028		.019
Adjusted HR of death (95% CI)##	1	0.64 (0.42 to 0.97)	1	0.59 (0.37 to 0.93)
P		.035		.022

## SUB-GROUP ANALYSIS



**PRIMARY  
METASTATIC  
DISEASE**

**20%-25% of patients diagnosed with metastatic disease**



- Treated with the same treatment as patients with localised disease but
  - Worse prognosis

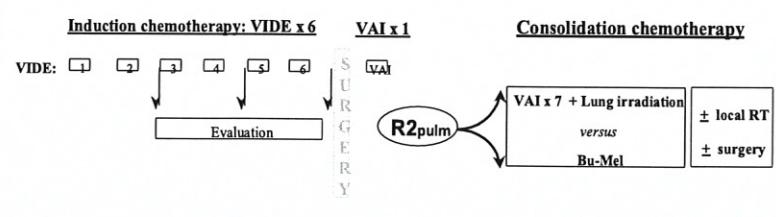
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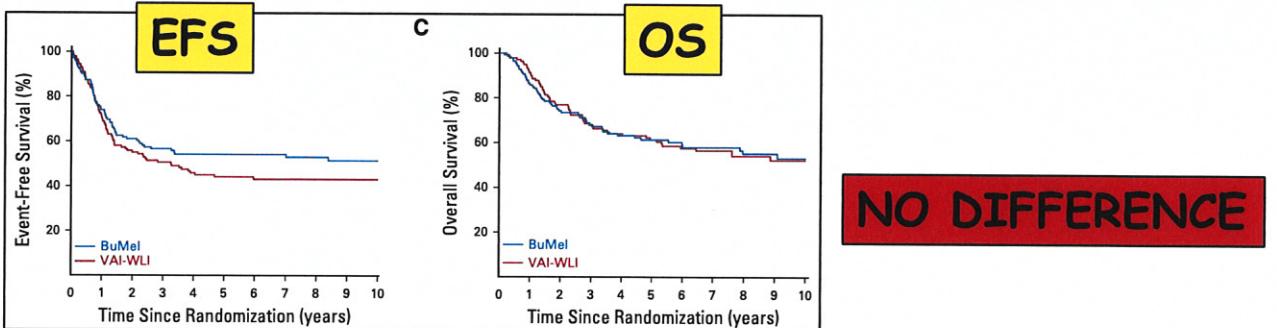
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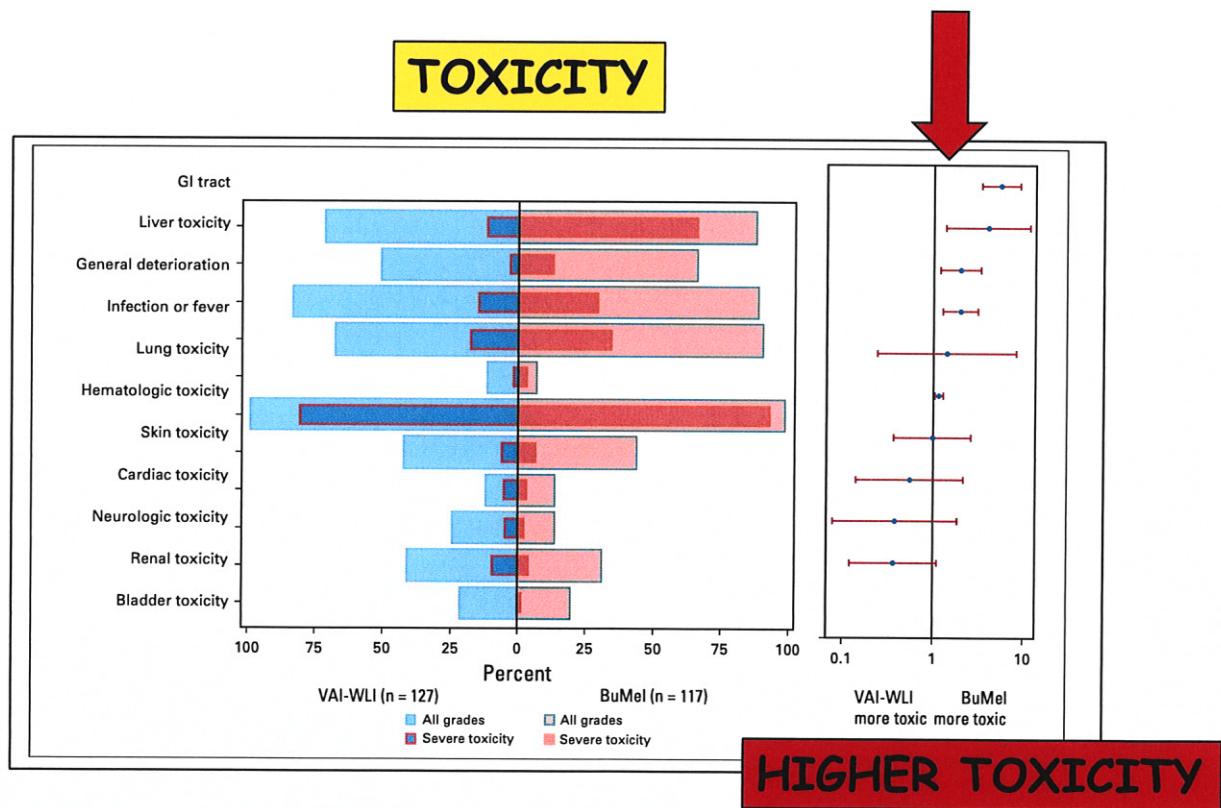
# High-Dose Chemotherapy Compared With Standard Chemotherapy and Lung Radiation in Ewing Sarcoma With Pulmonary Metastases: Results of the European Ewing Tumour Working Initiative of National Groups, 99 Trial and EWING 2008

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Outcome	Intention-to-Treat Analysis		As-Treated Population*	
	VAI Plus WLI Arm (n = 143)	BuMel Arm (n = 144)	VAI Plus WLI Arm (n = 131)	BuMel Arm (n = 123)
EFS, No.				
No. and type of events	78	66	72	56
Progression/relapse	77	59	71	49
Local progression or relapse without metastases	14	6	13	5
Distant metastases with or without local progression or relapse	63	52	58	43
Site of progression missing	0	1	0	1
Secondary malignancy	1	1	1	1
Death as first reported event†	0	6	0	6
Treatment-related death	0	4	0	4
Death from other cause	0	1	0	1
Death from unknown cause	0	1	0	1
3-year EFS from randomization, % (95% CI)	50.6 (42.3 to 58.8)	56.6 (48.3 to 64.6)	51.5 (43.0 to 60)	57.7 (48.8 to 66.2)
8-year EFS from randomization, % (95% CI)	43.1 (34.9 to 51.6)	52.9 (44.5 to 61.2)	43.6 (35.2 to 52.4)	53.6 (44.5 to 62.4)
Unadjusted HR of event (95% CI)‡	1	0.79 (0.56 to 1.10)§	1	0.80 (0.56 to 1.13)
		P = .16		P = .21
Adjusted HR of event (95% CI)		0.81 (0.58 to 1.12)		0.78 (0.55 to 1.11)
		P = .1998		P = .17
Overall survival, No.				
Total/cause of death	60	58	57	49
Due to progression/relapse	58	49	55	40
Treatment-related	1	6	1	6
Secondary malignancy	0	1	0	1
Other	1	1	1	1
Unknown	0	1	0	1
3-year OS from randomization, % (95% CI)	68.0 (59.7 to 75.2)	68.2 (60.0 to 75.4)	67.4 (58.8 to 74.9)	69.1 (60.3 to 76.7)
8-year OS from randomization, % (95% CI)	54.2 (45.3 to 62.8)	55.3 (46.1 to 64.0)	53.7 (44.5 to 62.6)	57.2 (47.6 to 66.3)
Unadjusted HR of death (95% CI)‡	1	1.00 (0.70 to 1.44)	1	0.95 (0.65 to 1.39)
		P = .99		P = .77
Adjusted HR of event (95% CI)		0.99 (0.68 to 1.42)		0.91 (0.62 to 1.35)
		P = .93		P = .65



# RECURRENT DISEASE

- associated with **very poor outcomes**
- patients who relapse within 24 months after diagnosis 5-year survival of <10%
- Favourable prognostic factors at relapse are **local relapse, younger age, isolated pulmonary recurrence and low LDH levels**
- **Few clinical trials completed**
- The vast majority of the value of different therapeutic approaches is drawn from **retrospective analyses**

**NO STANDARD TREATMENT !!**

**TOPOTECAN + CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE**

**TEMOZOLOMIDE + IRINOTECAN**

**GEMCITABINE + DOCETAXEL**

**IFOSFAMIDE HIGH-DOSE**



# rEECur TRIAL

## FIRST INTERIM



Results of the first interim assessment of rEECur,  
an international randomised controlled trial of chemotherapy for  
the treatment of recurrent and primary refractory Ewing sarcoma

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## SECOND INTERIM



Results of the second interim assessment of rEECur,  
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primary refractory Ewing sarcoma (RR-ES)

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## 1st ENDPOINT = OBJECTIVE RESPONSE

Treatment Overall Response	GD	IT	TC or IFOS	Overall
Complete response	1	4	2	7 (2%)
Partial response	6	14	27	47 (15%)
Stable disease	16	27	29	72 (23%)
Progressive disease	4	14	11	29 (9%)
Discontinued before cycle 4	36	28	53	117 (38%)
Not evaluable	1	1	4	3 (1%)
Missing	1	16	15	35 (11%)
Total	65	104	141	310 (100%)

Treatment Overall Response	GD	IT	TC or IFOS	Overall
Non responder	57 (89%)	70 (80%)	97 (77%)	224 (81%)
Responder	7 (11%)	18 (20%)	29 (23%)	54 (19%)
Total	64	88	126	278

## FIRST INTERIM

GD less effective than IT, TC or IFO

## SECOND INTERIM

IT less effective than TC or IFO but more grade 3 GI toxicity, less FN

NEXT

Adding PLATINUM + ETOPOSIDE  
1st endpoint = PFS

# EMERGING DRUGS

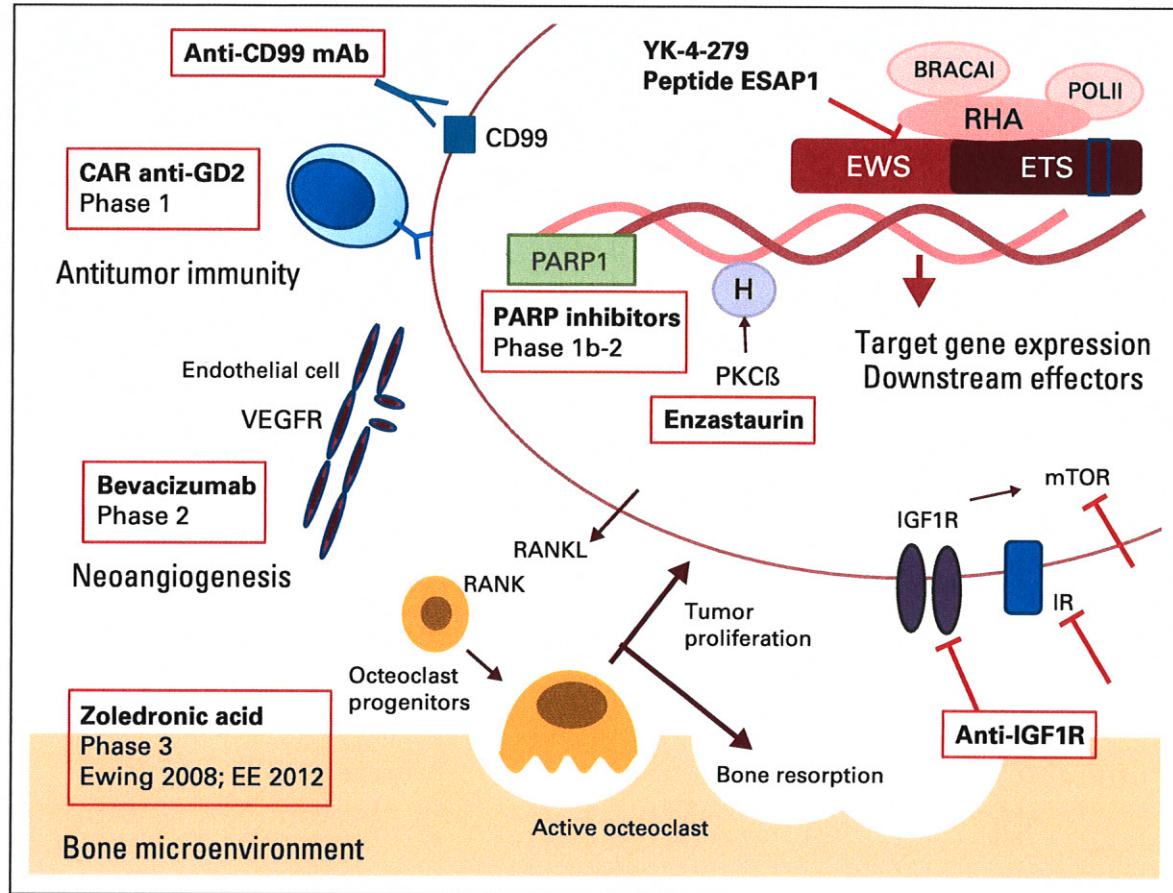
## MULTI-TARGETED KINASE INHIBITORS

	Sorafenib <sup>1</sup>	Lenvatinib <sup>2</sup>	Rregorafenib <sup>3</sup>	Rigosertib <sup>4</sup>	Cabozantinib <sup>5</sup>	Apatinib <sup>6</sup>
N	35	30	26	22	42	37
PR	9%	7.7%	7.7%	14%	11.9%	43%
4 month PFS 95% CI	46% (28-63%)	33% (17-54%)	62% (40-77%)	44% NA	NA	57% (39-71%)
Median PFS (mos) 95% CI	4 (2-5)	3.4 (1.8-6.5)	4 (2-6.5)	3.6 (2-7.6)	6.2 (5.4-8.2)	4.5 (3.5-6.3)
Median OS (mos) 95% CI	7 (7-8)	NA	11.3 (5.9-23.9)	11 (4.7-26.7)	10.6 (7.2-13.2)	9.9 (8-18.9)

<sup>1</sup>Grignani et al 2012; <sup>2</sup>Gaspar et al. 2018; <sup>3</sup>Duffaud et al. 2019, <sup>4</sup>Davis et al. 2019, <sup>5</sup>Italiano, CTOS 2018 <sup>6</sup>Xie et al. Oncologist, 2018;  
NA=Not Available

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RESULTS:	Apatinib v Cabozantinib	Apatinib
PFS at 4 mos	62% (46%, 76%)	57% (39, 71%)
PFS at 6 mos	44% (28%, 59%)	37% (21%, 52%)
ORR (CR+PR)	9 (22%)	16 (43%)
CBR (CR+PR+SD x 6 mos)	18 (44%)	13 (35%)
First Imaging Timepoint	8 weeks	4 weeks
Apatinib Dose	500 mg	750 mg
Lung only disease	42%	73%
Grade 3 AEs	70%	



# RARE SUB-TYPES

## EWING-LIKE SARCOMA ?

- For some of them (CIC-, NFATC2,...), higher rate in adult patients
- Currently, patients presenting with these variants are **treated with Ewing-like regimens**, although their **best treatment** and even their natural history are **poorly known**
- Inclusion in prospective registries is worthwhile...

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## CONCLUSIONS

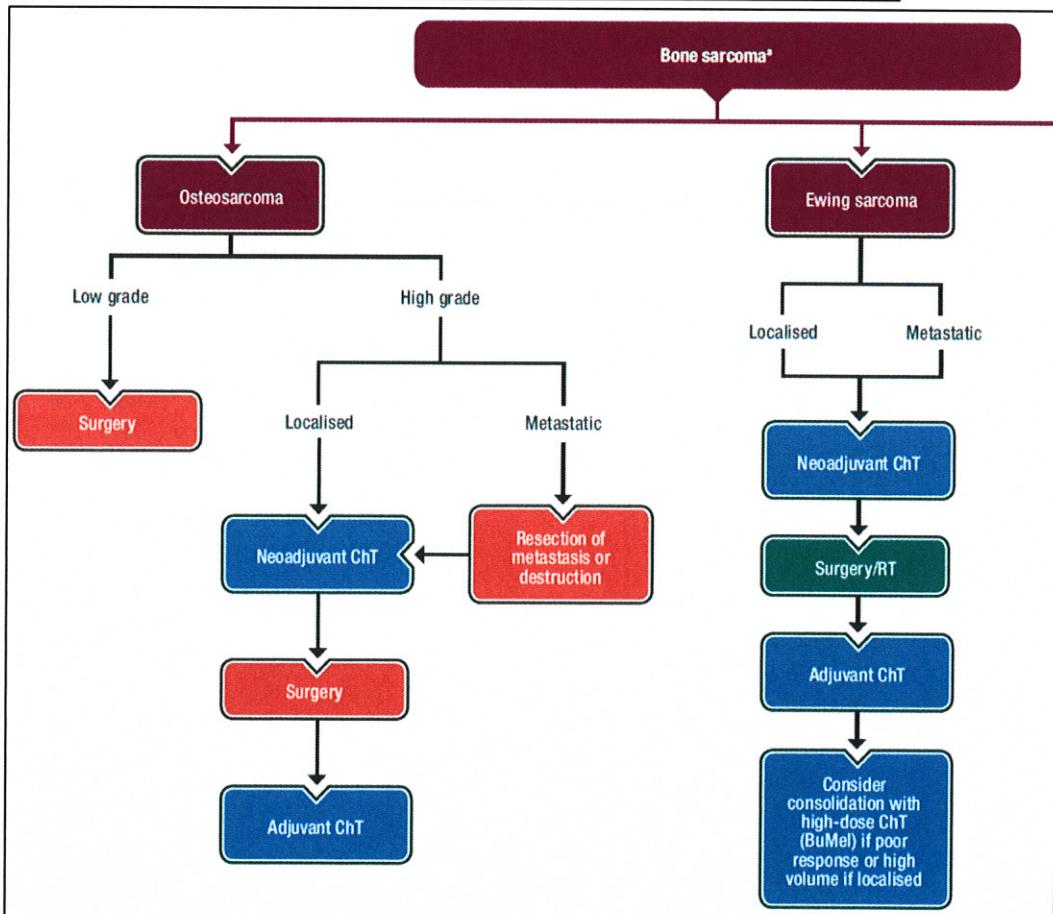


# GLOBAL MANAGEMENT



- requires a **multidisciplinary team** including
  - Paediatric and Medical oncologists
  - Radiation oncologists
  - Orthopaedic surgeons
  - General surgeons
  - Anatomopathologists
  - Geneticists
  - Nurses
  - ...

# GLOBAL MANAGEMENT



# OSTEOSARCOMA

NEOADJUVANT CT

> 18 years

WITHOUT MTX

API X 3 + AI X2

WITH MTX

MAP X 2

# OSTEOSARCOMA

ADJUVANT CT

GOOD RESPONDERS

WITHOUT MTX

API X 2 + AI X2

WITH MTX

MAP X 4

POOR RESPONDERS

WITHOUT MTX

EI X 5

WITH MTX

MAP X 4

**RECURRENT SETTING**

**NO STANDARD TREATMENT !!!**

**IFOSFAMIDE (HIGH-DOSE) OR CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE  
+/- ETOPOSIDE +/ - CARBOPLATIN**

**CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE + TOPOTECAN OR ETOPOSIDE**

**GEMCITABINE**

**DOCETAXEL + GEMCITABINE**

**HIGH-DOSE MTX**



## **EWING SARCOMA**

**NEOADJUVANT CT**

**VDC X 5 + IE X 4 every 2 weeks**

**ADJUVANT CT**

**GOOD RISK**

**VC X 2 + IE X 3 every 2 weeks**

**RT in case of lung M+**

**POOR RISK**

**< 25 years**

**VAI X 1 + BU-MELPHALAN**

**> 25 years**

**VC X 2 + IE X 3 every 2 weeks**

**RECURRENT SETTING**

**NO STANDARD TREATMENT !!**

**TOPOTECAN + CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE**

**IFOSFAMIDE HIGH-DOSE**

**IRINOTECAN + TEMOZOLOMIDE**

**GEMCITABINE + DOCETAXEL**



**THANKS !!!**

