



Patient Journey

Approccio personalizzato al
paziente e esperienze a
confronto:
Epatocarcinoma e
Colangiocarcinoma

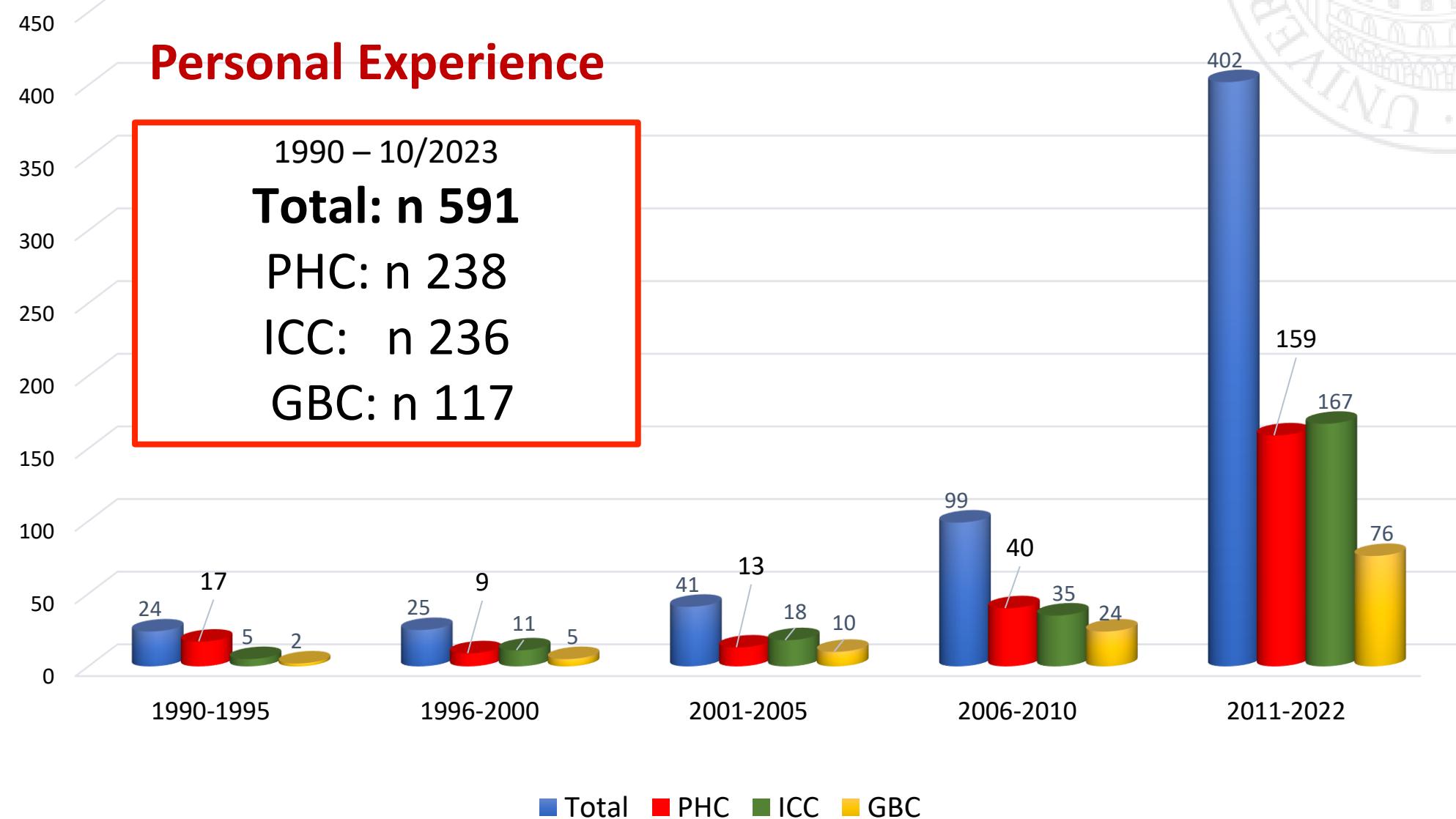
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Colangiocarcinoma Il ruolo del chirurgo

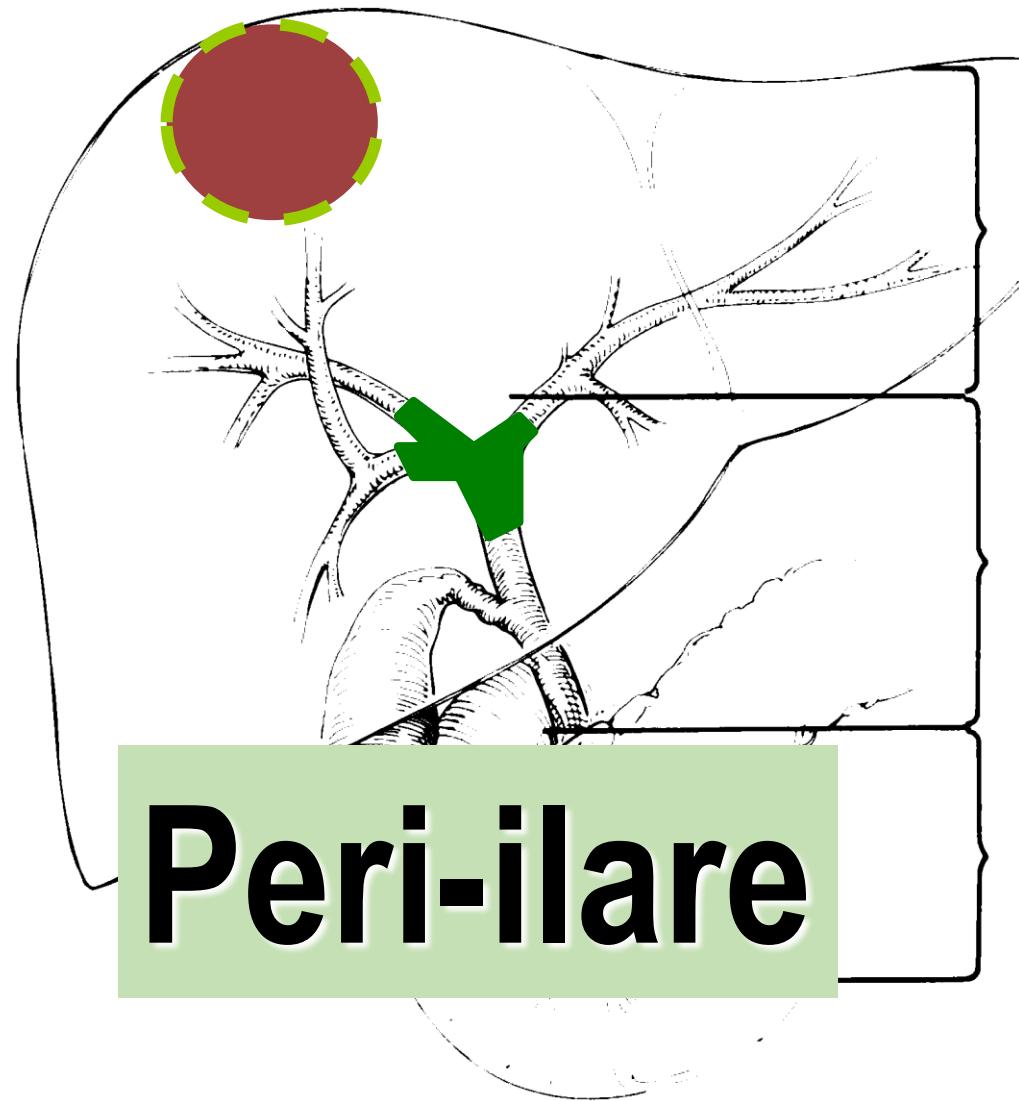
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SURGERY OF CHOLANGIOPANCREATIC CANCER



Definizione



Peri-ilare

Intraepatico

Hilare

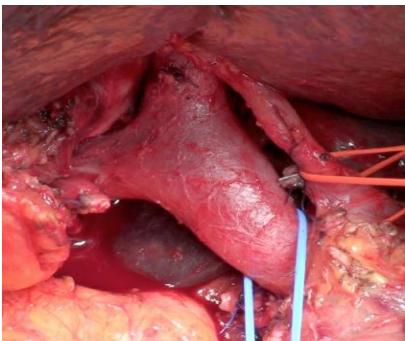
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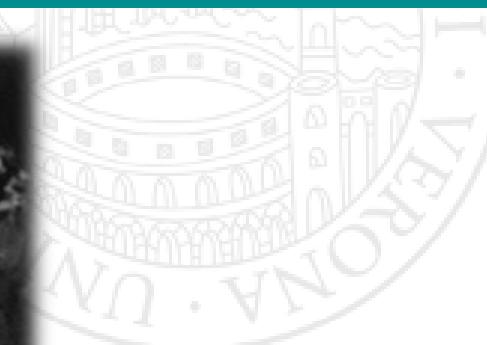
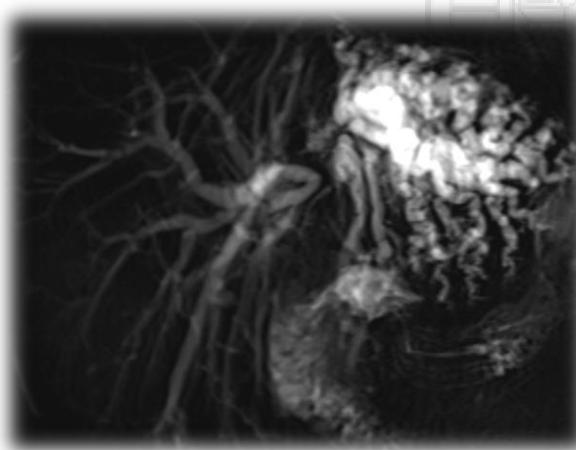
Surgery of Cholangiocarcinoma



| | INTRAHEPATIC | PERIHILAR |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Major hepatectomy | 60-80% | 85-97% |
| Bile duct resection | 0-10% | 95-100% |
| Pancreatic resection | 0% | 0-5% |
| Vascular resection | V.cava 2-17% Portal 9-15% | Artery 4-15% Portal 20-35% |

Nagino M, Ann Surg - 2013; Ercolani G, EJSO - 2015; Ruzzenente A, Eur Rev Pharm Sci – 2015;
Reames BN, J Surg Onc 2017; Conci S, Eur J Surg Oncol 2017; Bartsch F, Int J Surg 2018

Surgical Results of Cholangiocarcinoma



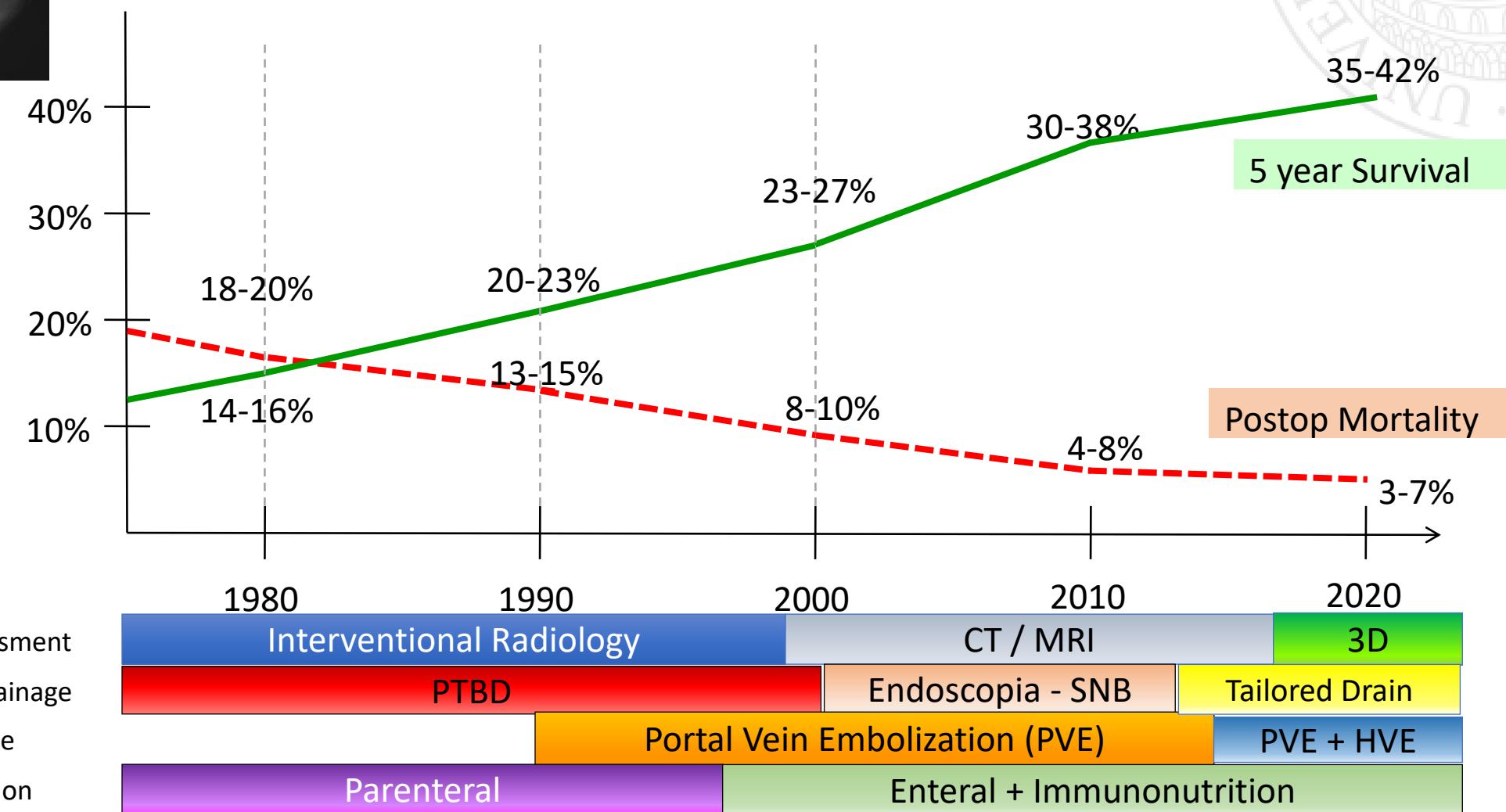
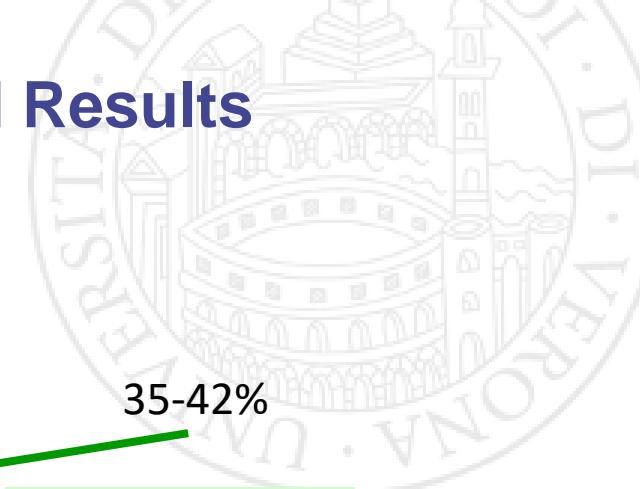
| | Morbidity | Mortality | 5y. Survival |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| INTRAHEPATIC | 2 - 4% | 1-2% | 30-40% |
| PERIHILAR | 40-70% | 2-15% | 20-38% |

Guglielmi A, World J Surg – 2009; Ercolani G, Eur J Surg Oncol – 2015;
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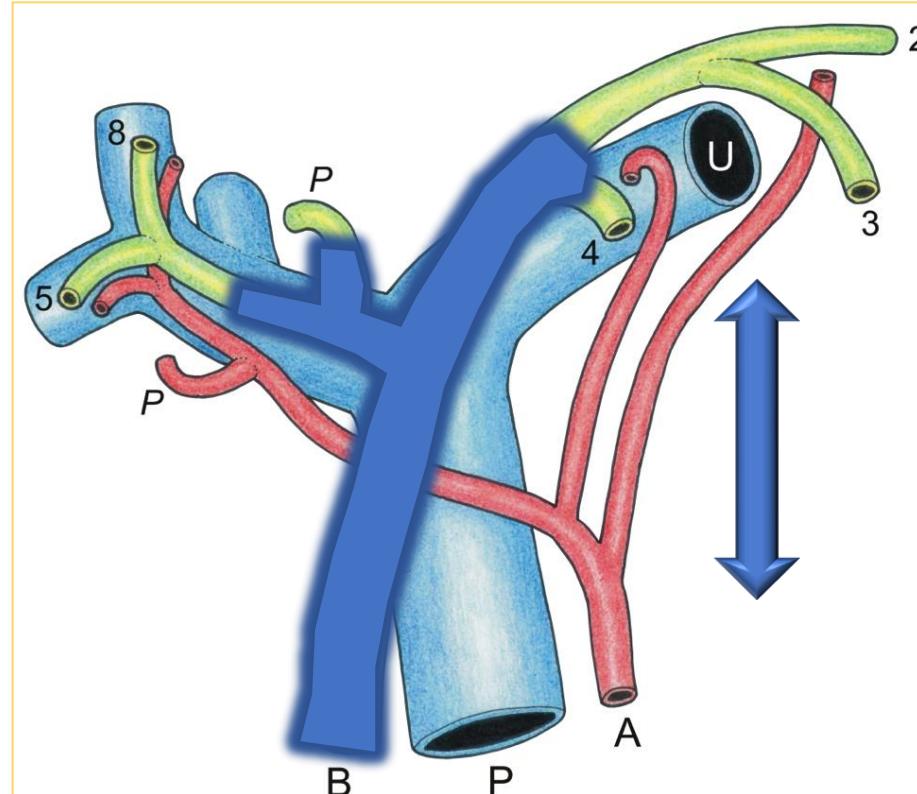
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FLTC: 35%

Evolution of Preoperative Management and Results of Perihilar Cholangiocarcinoma

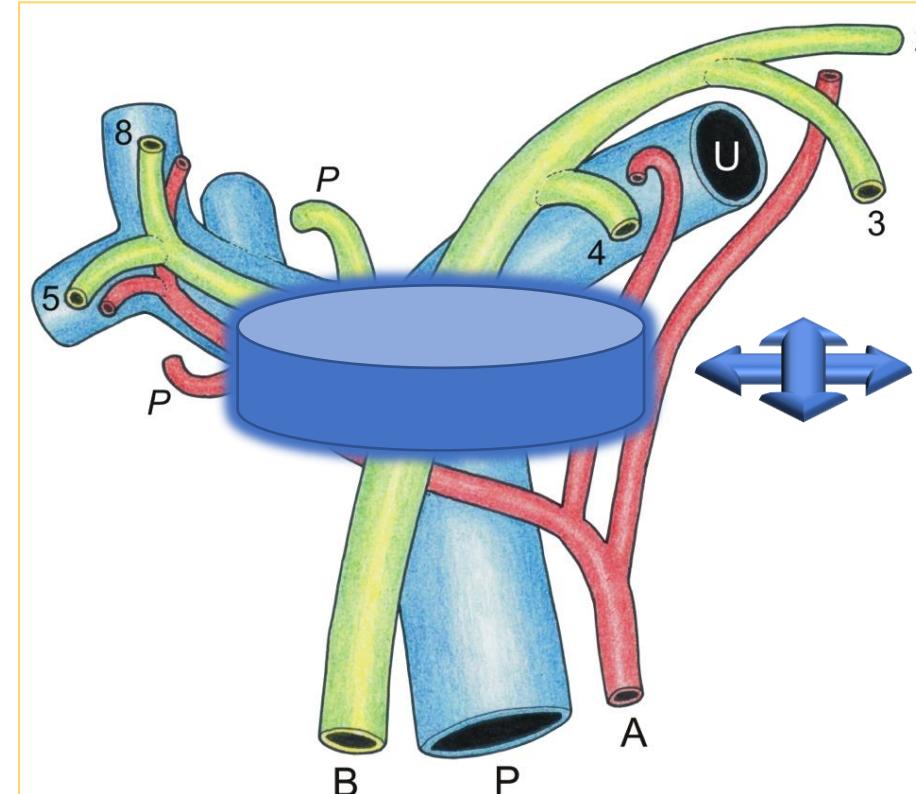


Evaluation of tumour extension

Biliary Extension (longitudinal)



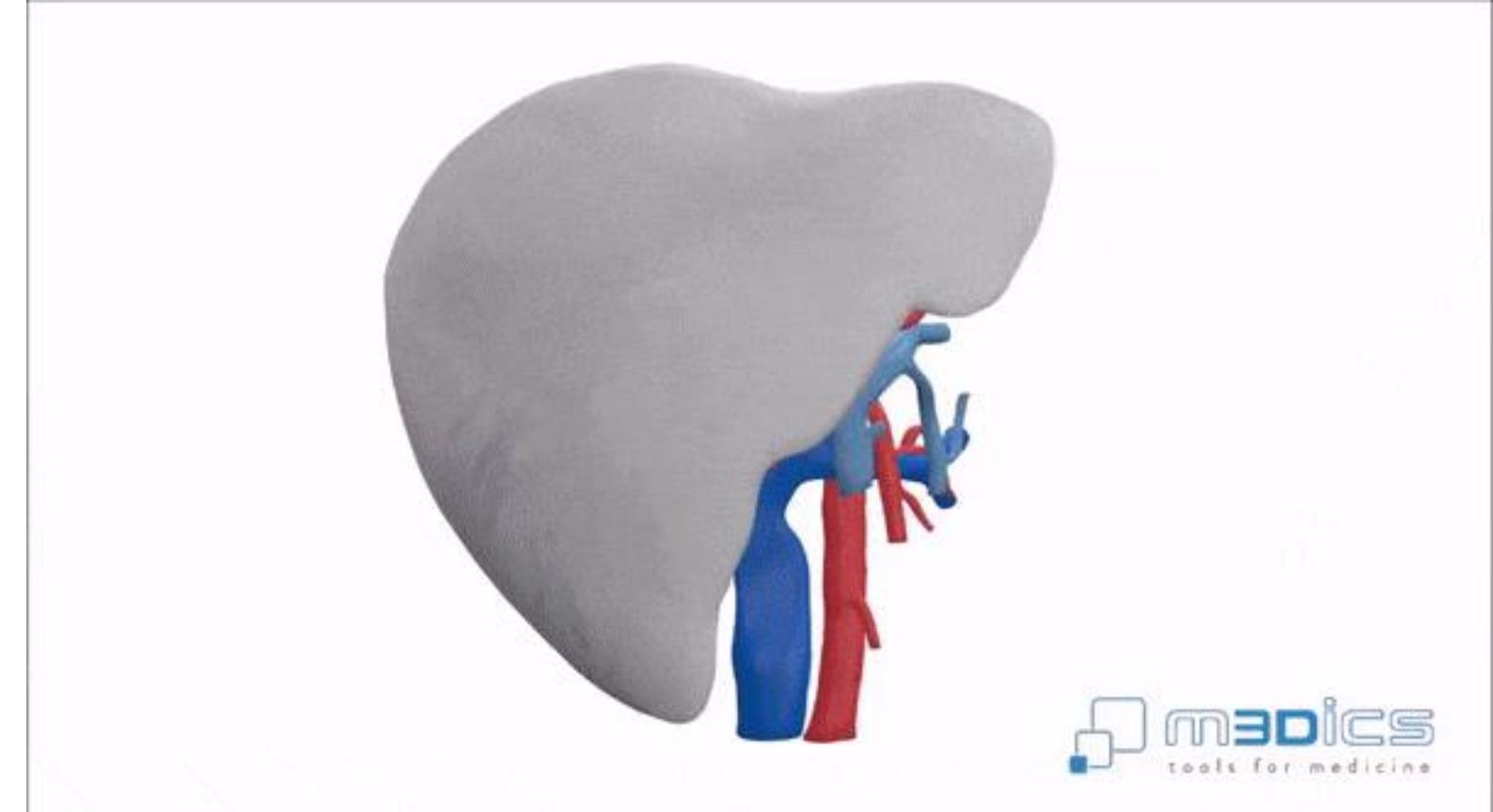
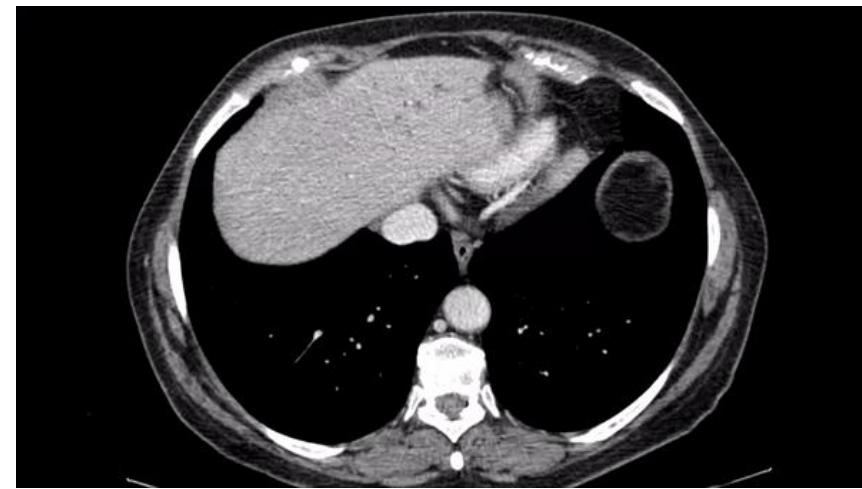
Vascular Invasion (radial)



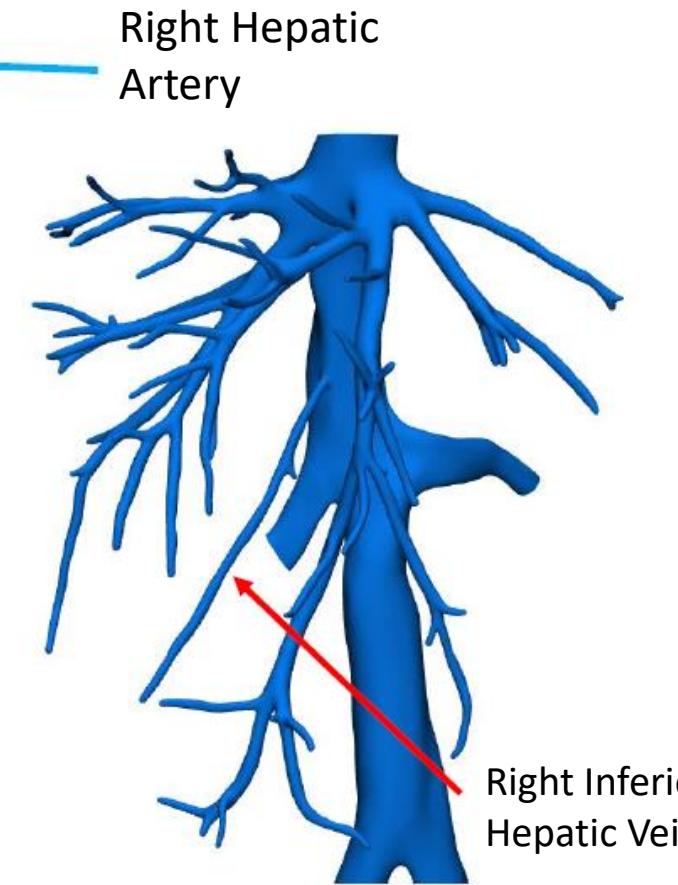
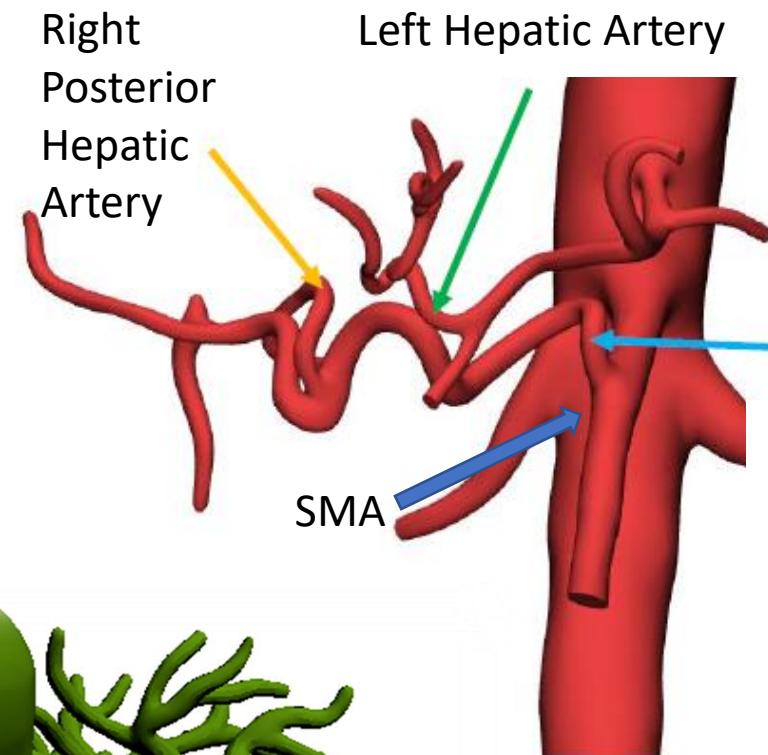
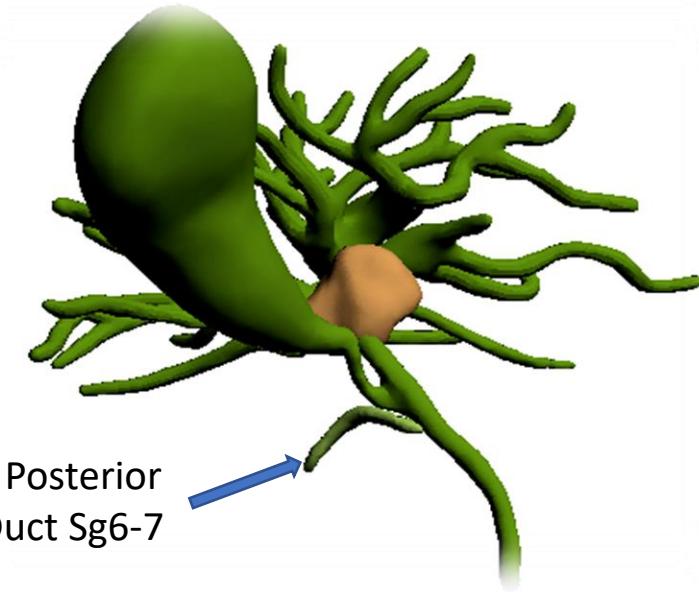
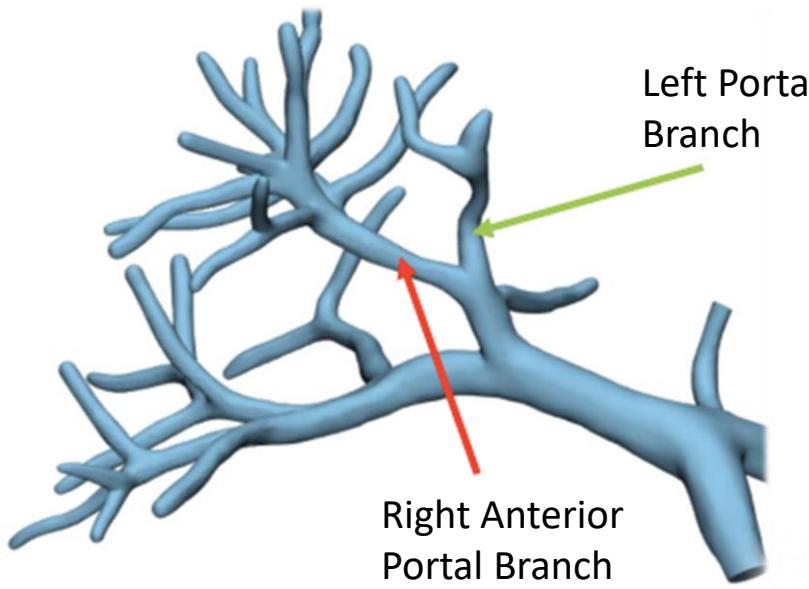
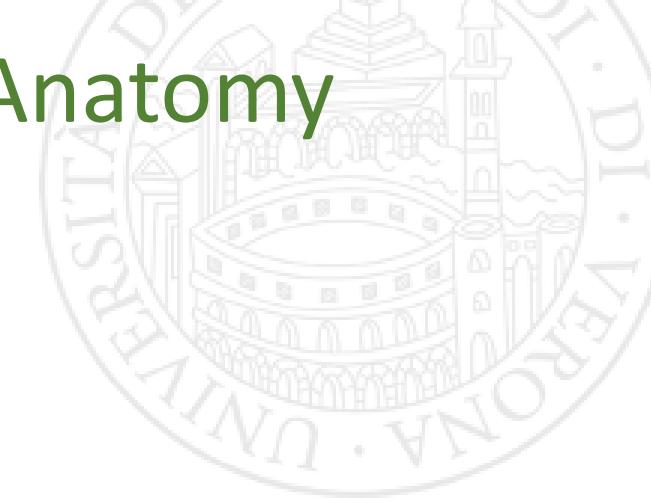
Preoperative Management: Diagnosis from 2D to 3D



CT Scan before biliary drainage



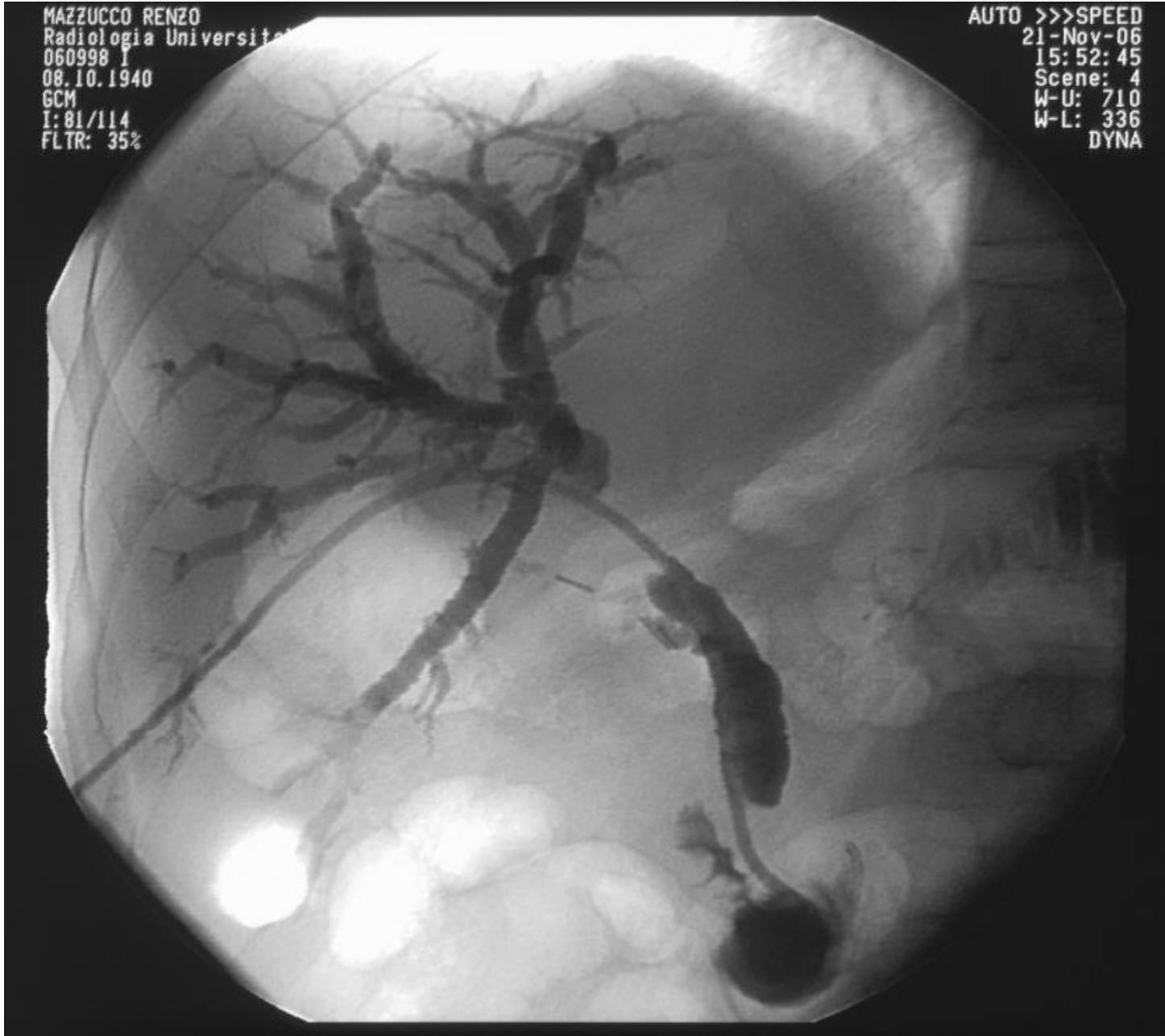
3D Rendering: Vascular and Biliary Anatomy

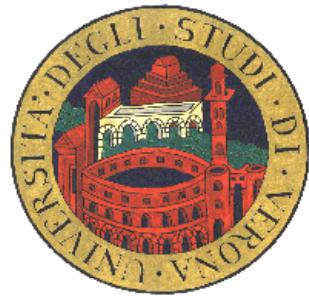


Anatomical
Variants

Il Drenaggio Biliare

- Percutaneo
- Endoscopico
- Naso-biliare





Role of Preoperative Biliary Drainage in Jaundiced Patients Who Are Candidates for Pancreatoduodenectomy or Hepatic Resection

Highlights and Drawbacks

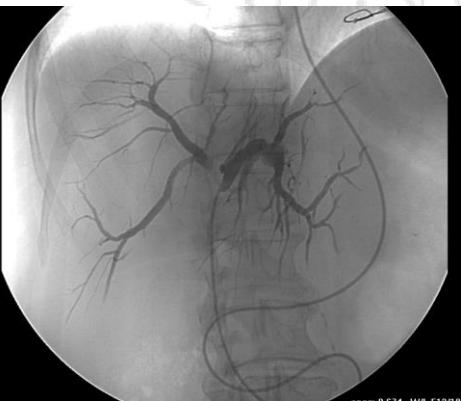
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Percutaneous



Endoscopic



Naso-biliary Tube

Minor Complications

Cholangitis, Obstruction, Displacement

9-31%

48-65%

5-38%

Major Complications

Bleeding, Perforation, Pancreatitis

5-15%

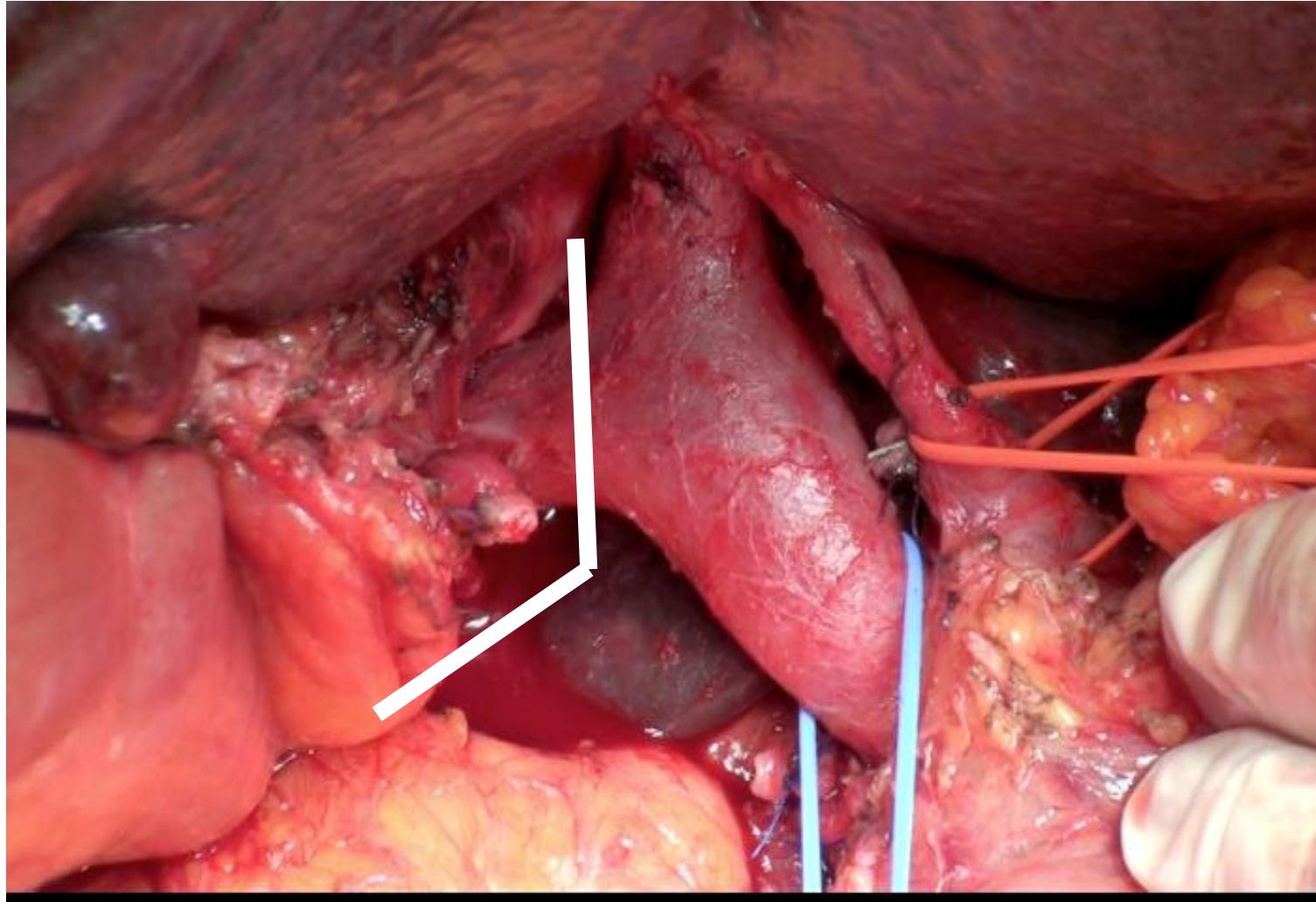
0-5%

2-7%

Which technique of surgery ?



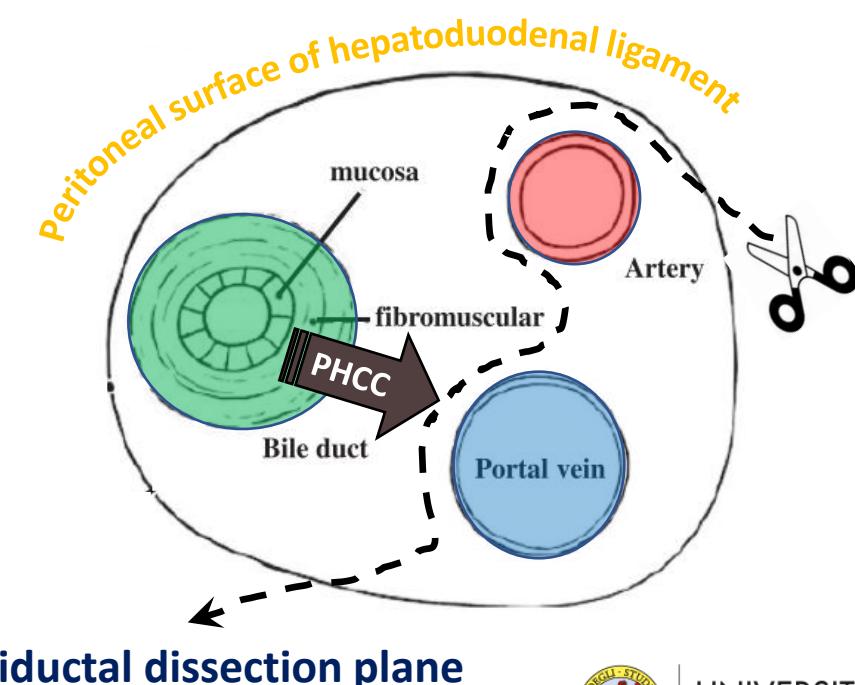
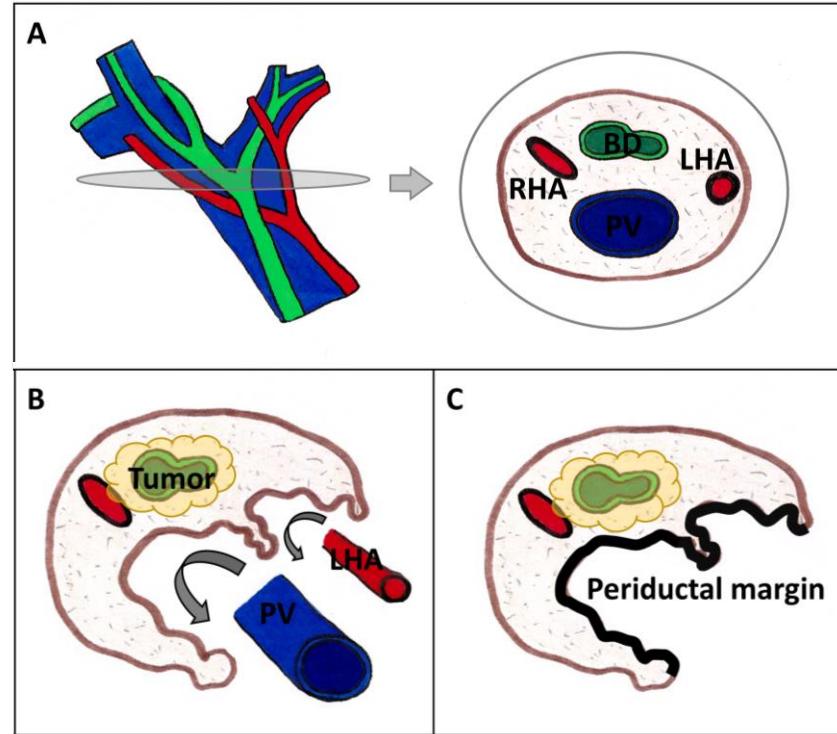
No Touch Technique



Toward R0 surgery...Identification of Radial Margin



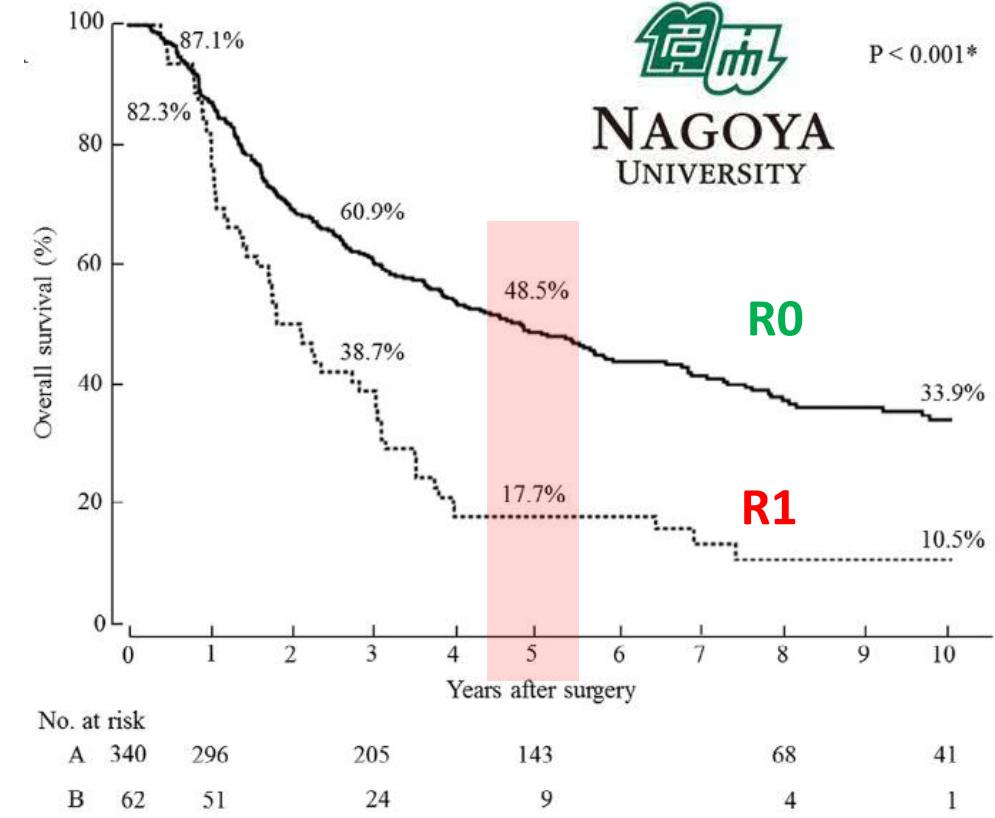
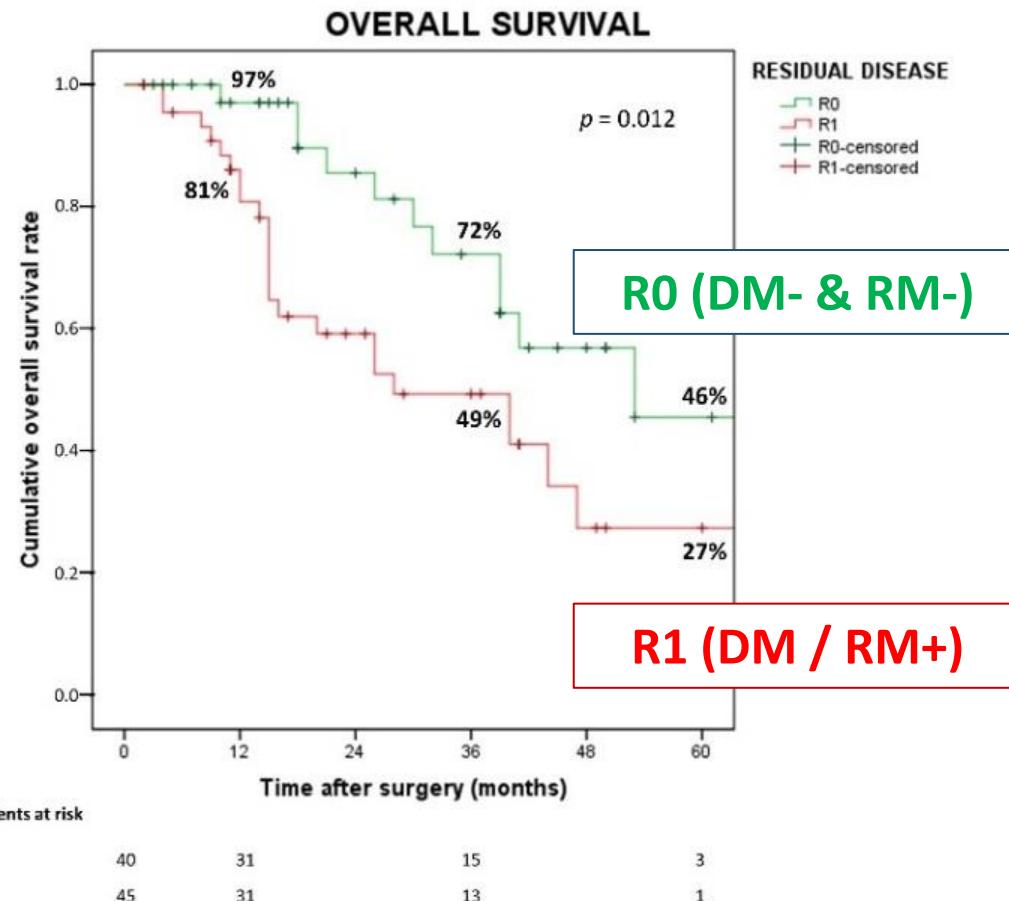
The assessment of RM status is a challenging issue



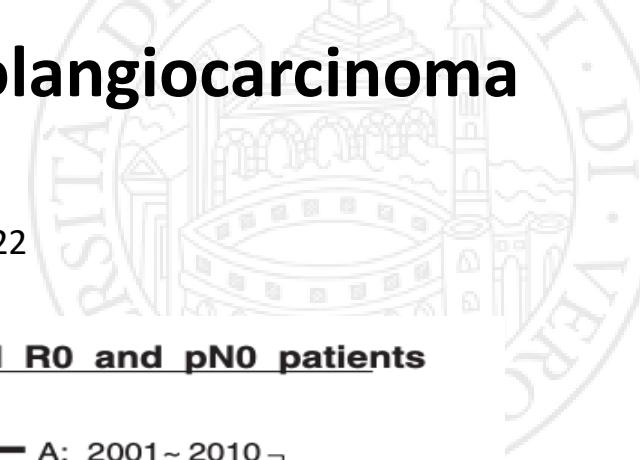
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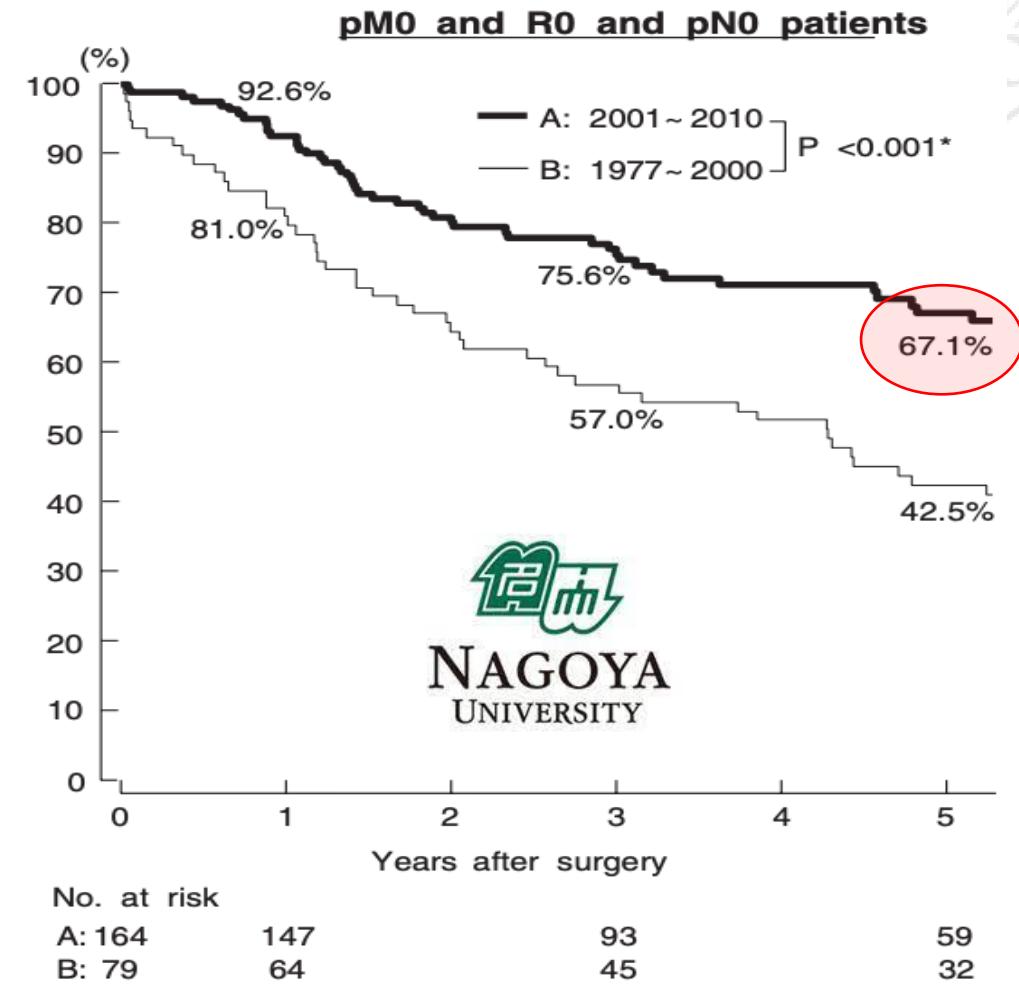
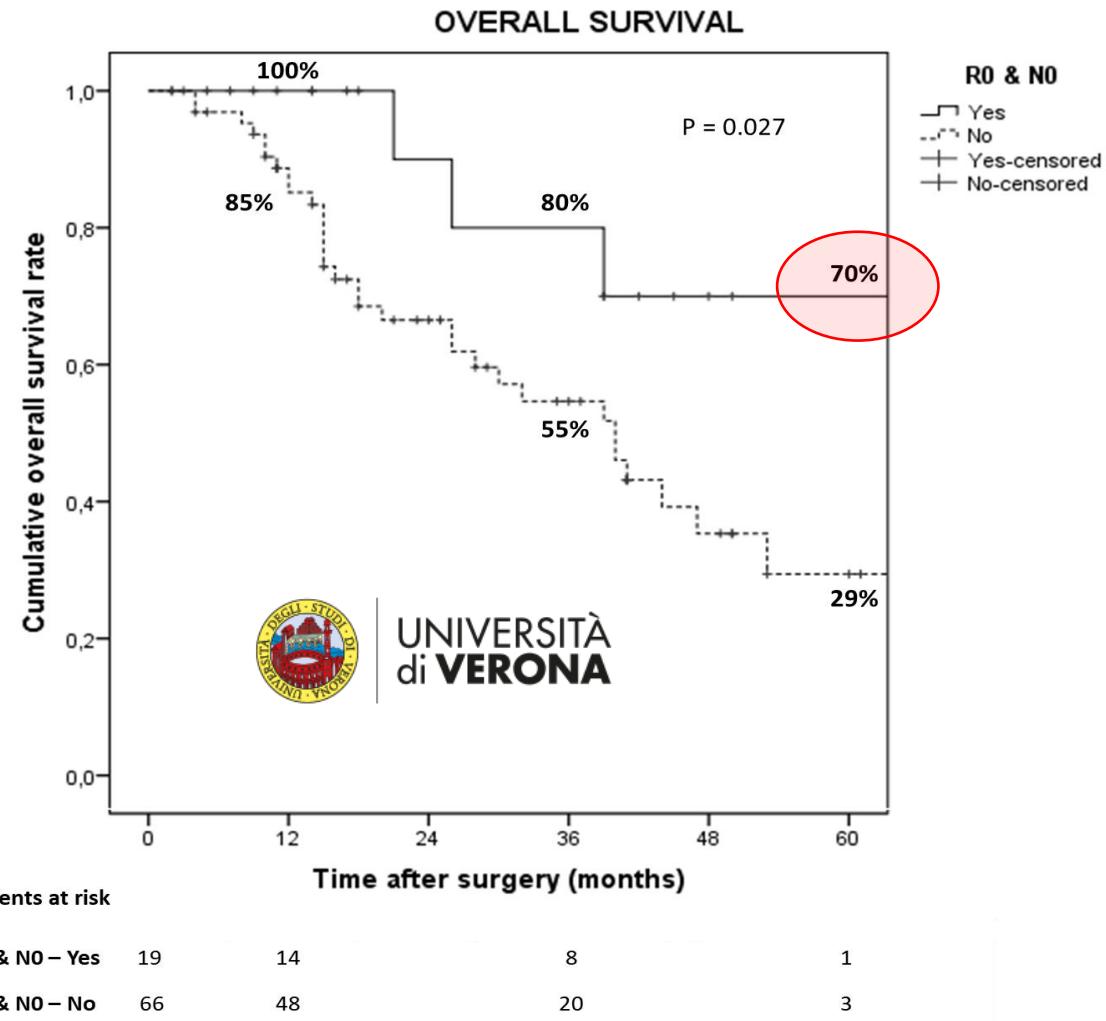
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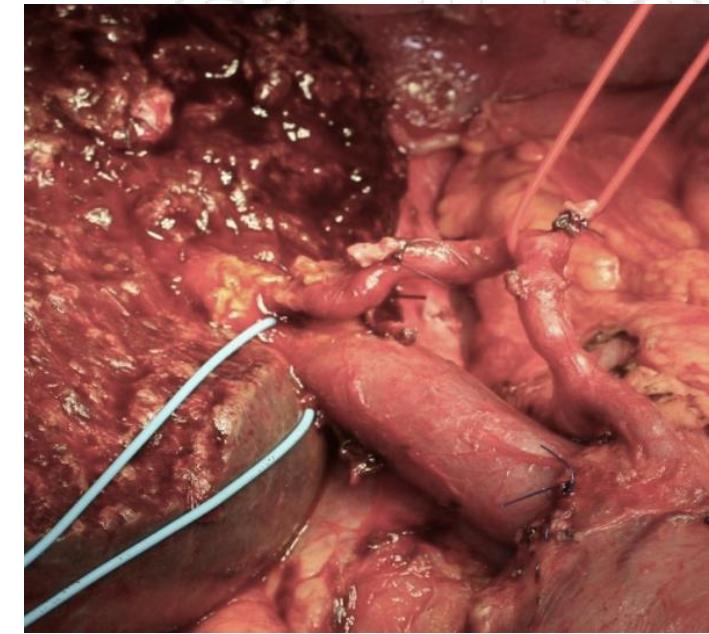
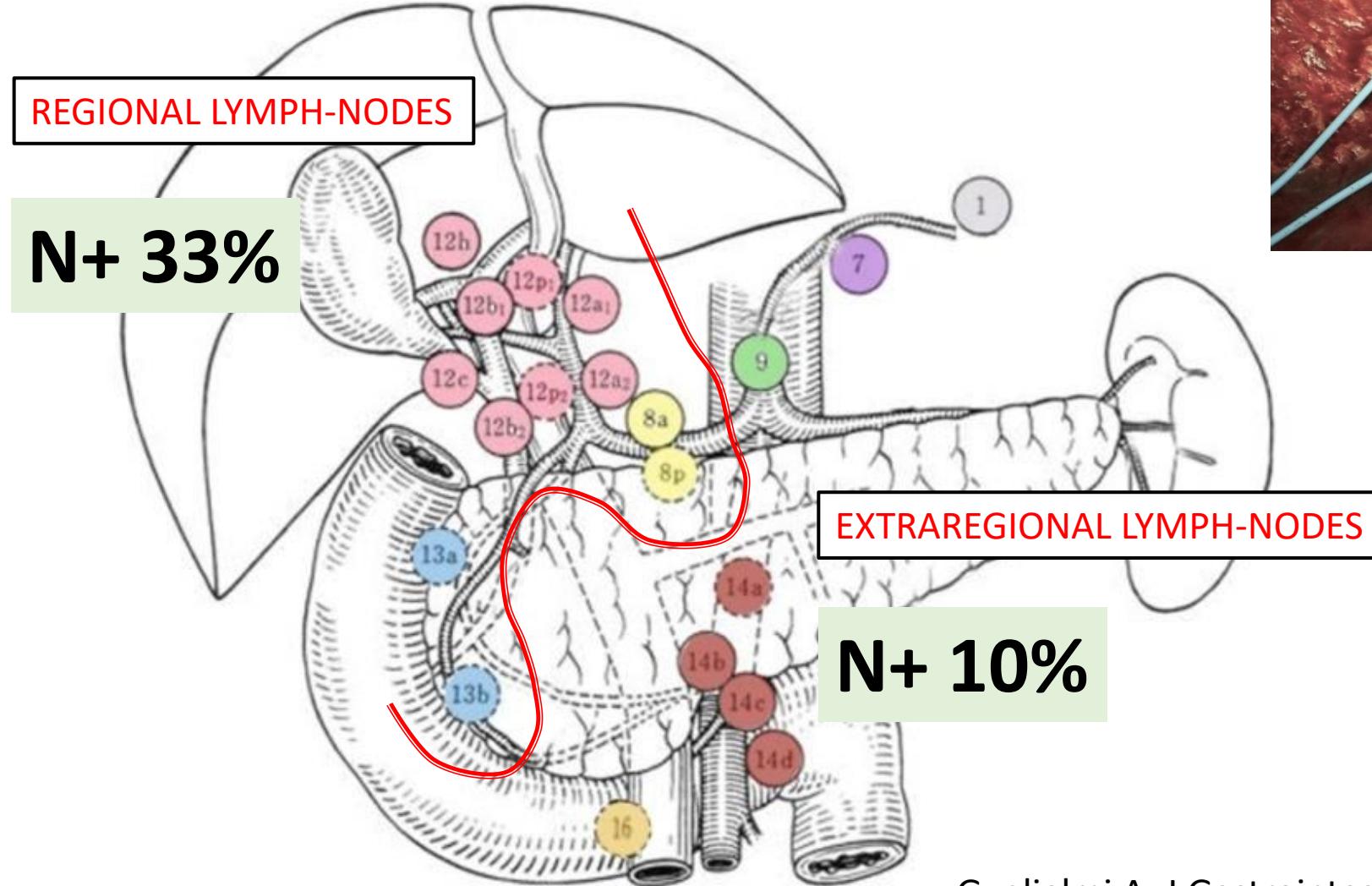
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Lymph-nodes Metastases



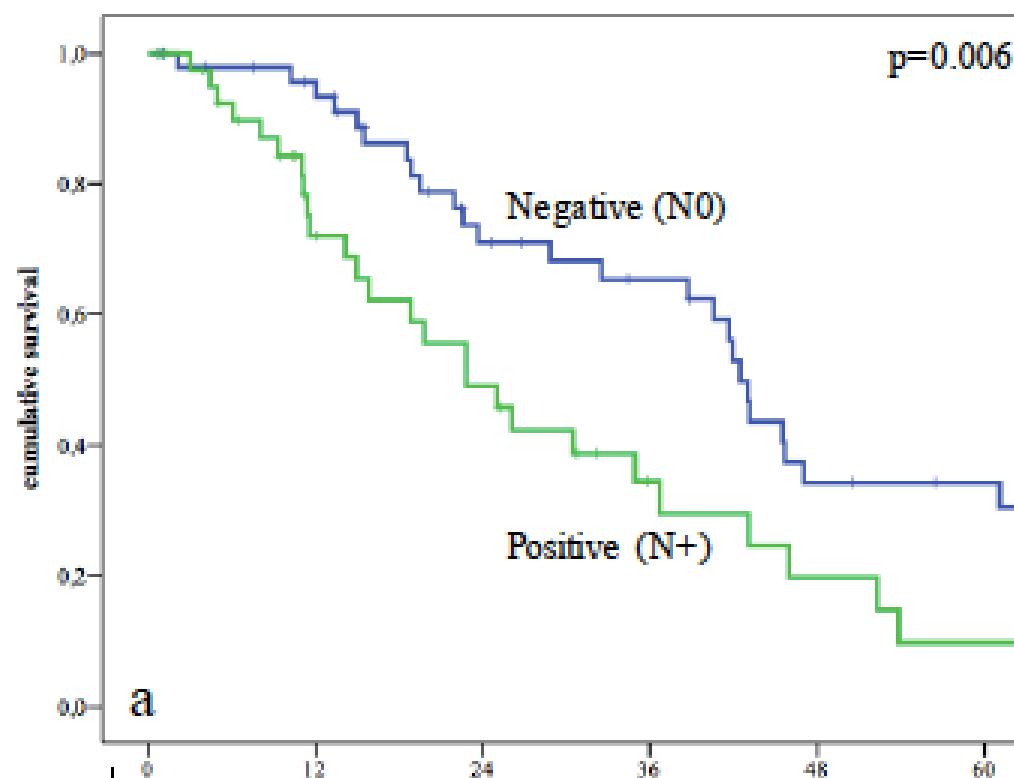
What is the most accurate lymph node staging method for perihilar cholangiocarcinoma? Comparison of UICC/AJCC pN stage, number of metastatic lymph nodes, lymph node ratio, and log odds of metastatic lymph nodes

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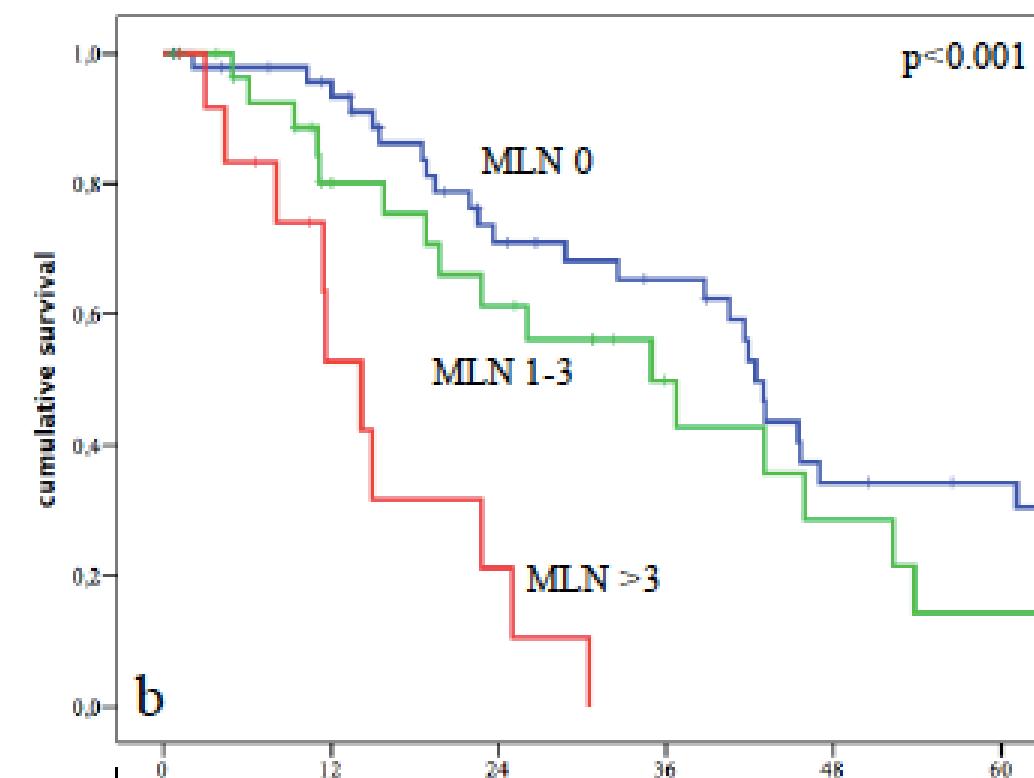
Eur J Surg Oncol - 2018

Lymphadenectomy in 93% (100% period 2006-2016)
Mean number of LN : 8 (3-27)

LN Status



Number of metastatic LN (MLN)

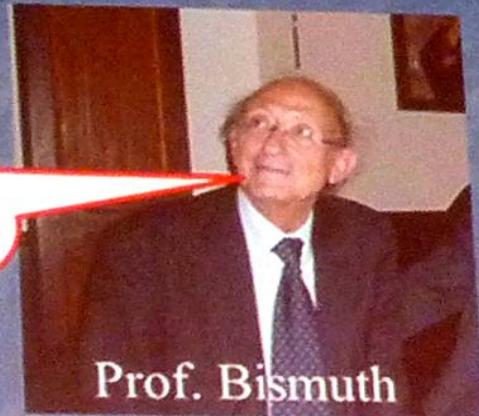




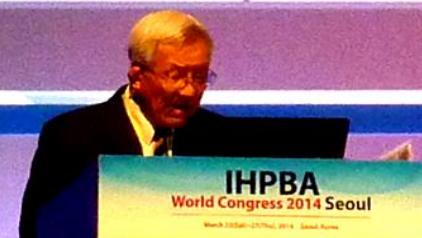
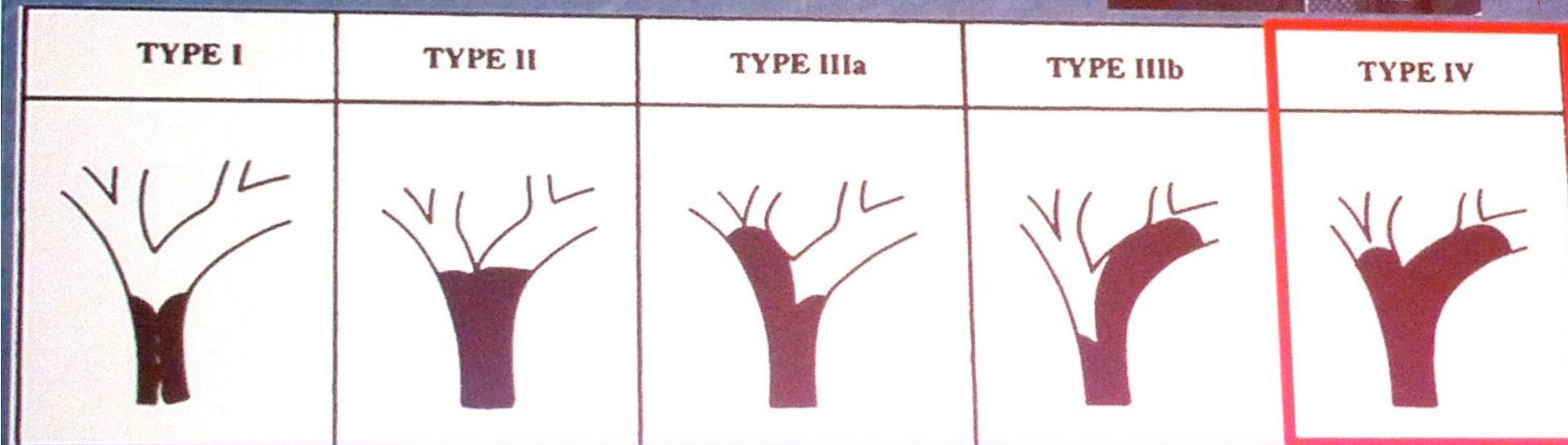
Classification of Hilar Cholangiocarcinoma

Bismuth H et al. *Ann Surg* 1992;215:31-38

Type IV is
unresectable!



Prof. Bismuth



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Surgery for Bismuth-Corlette Type IV Perihilar Cholangiocarcinoma: Results from a Western Multicenter Collaborative Group

Ruzzenente A. Guglielmi A. Lang H. Van Guglik T. et al

Perihilar Cholangiocarcinoma Collaboration Group (coordinating centers: **Amsterdam, Mainz, Verona**)

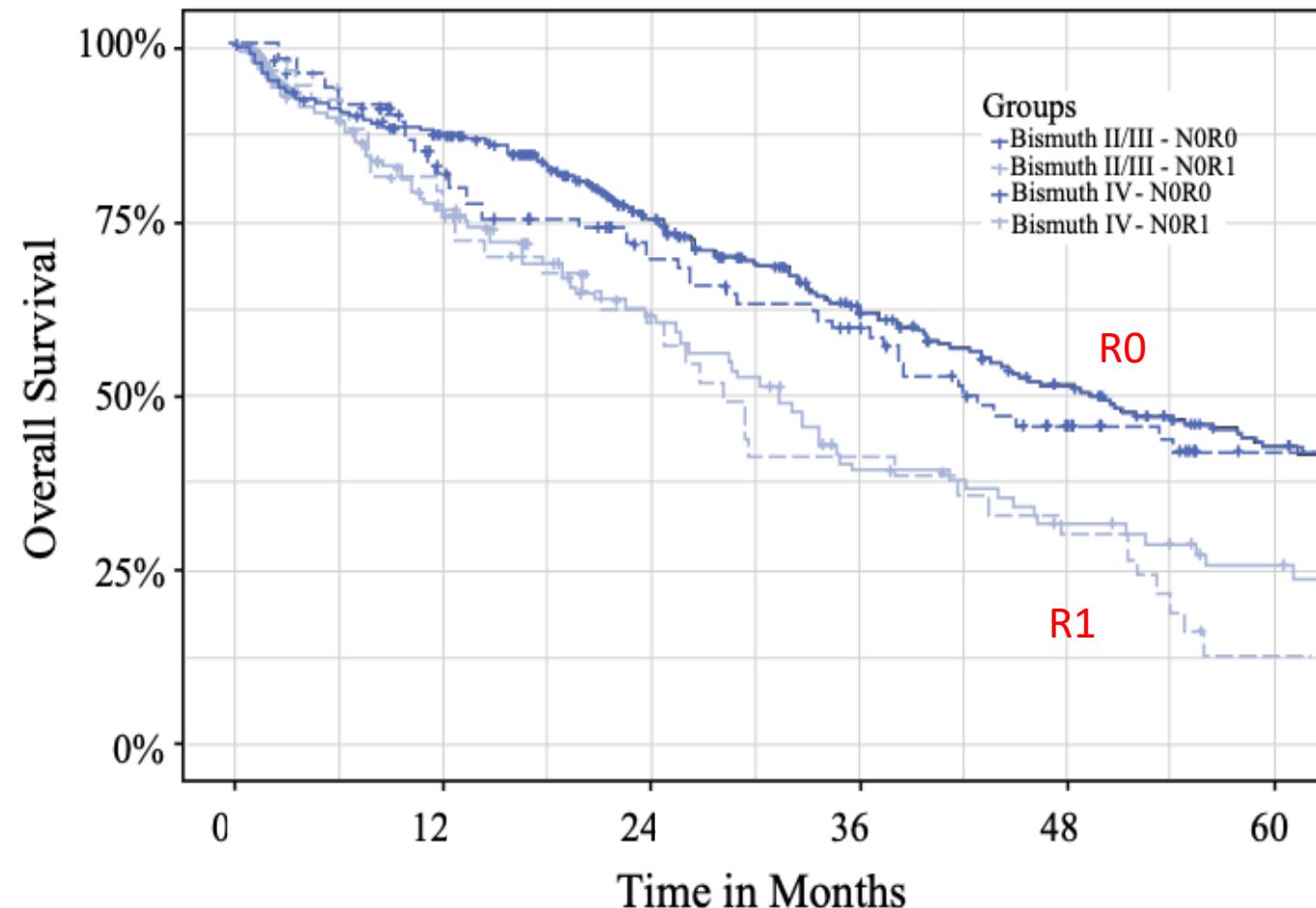


Resected PHC between 2000 and 2017

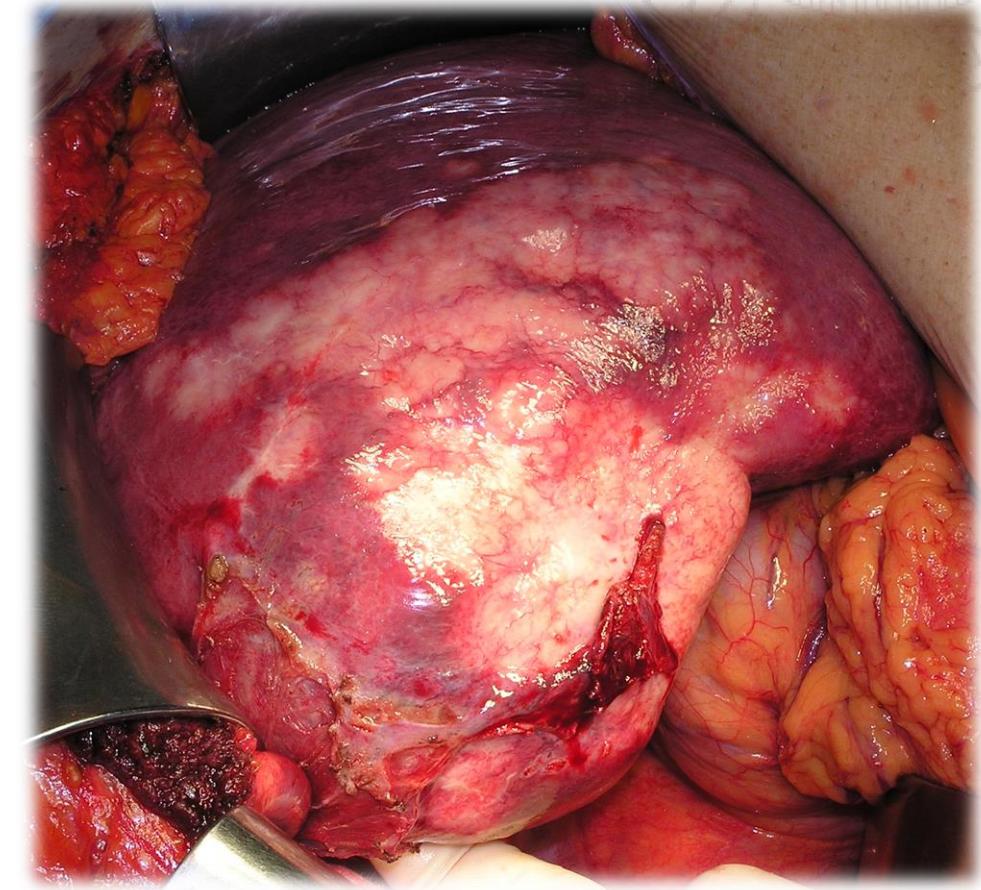
Bismuth type II or III = 826 (73%)

Bismuth type IV = 312 (27%)

| | Bismuth II-III | Bismuth IV |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| R0 | 68% | 61% |
| MORTALITY | 13% | 12% |
| CLAVIEN DINDO ≥ 3 | 46% | 51% |

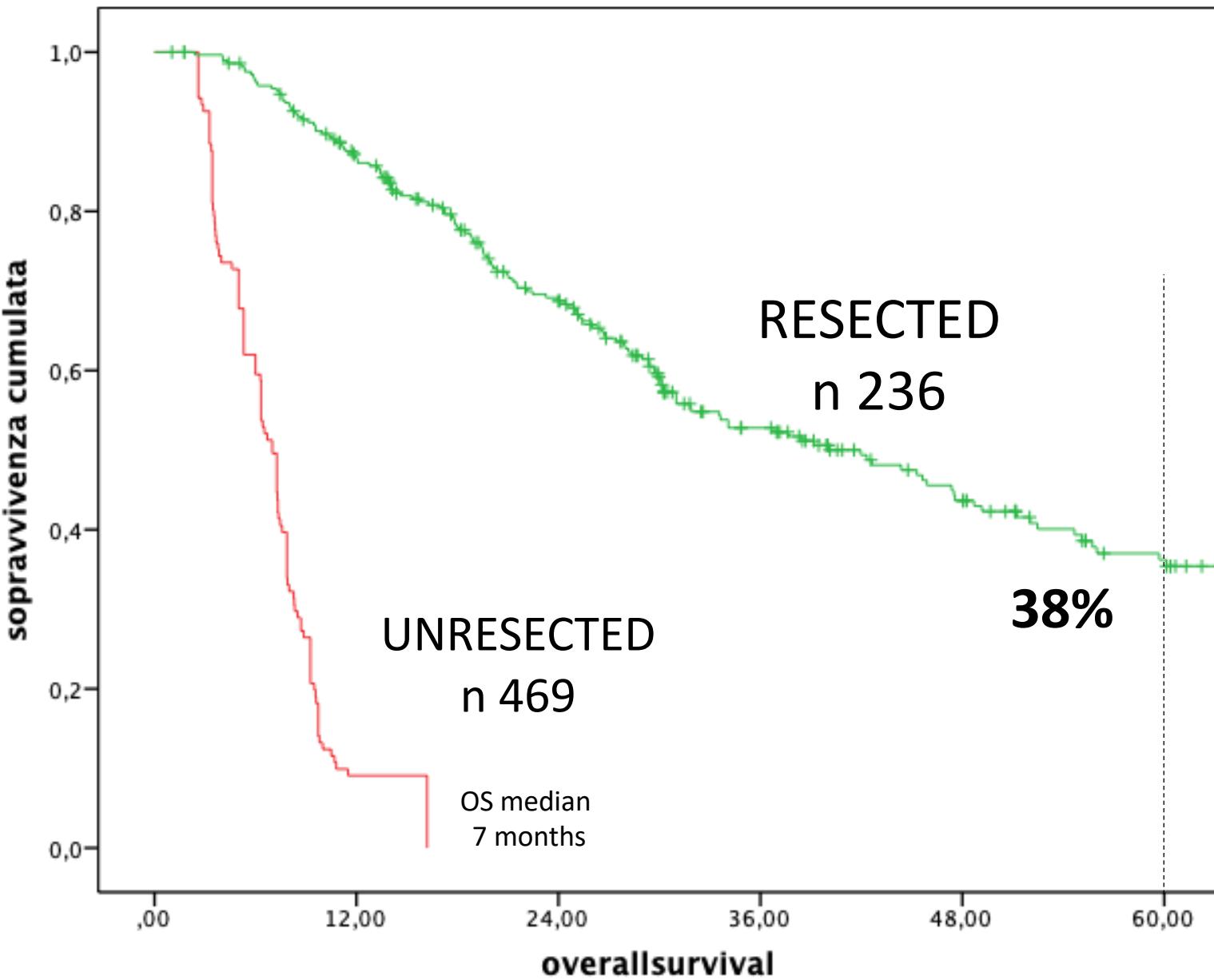


SURGERY OF INTRAHEPATIC CHOLANGIOCARCINOMA





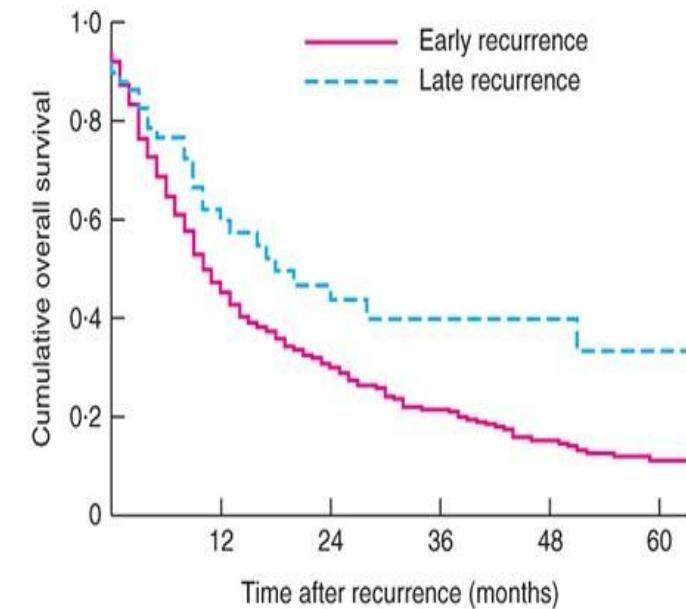
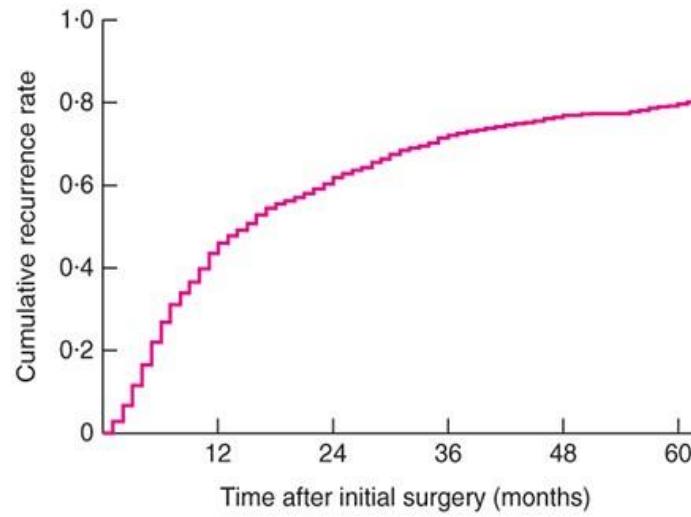
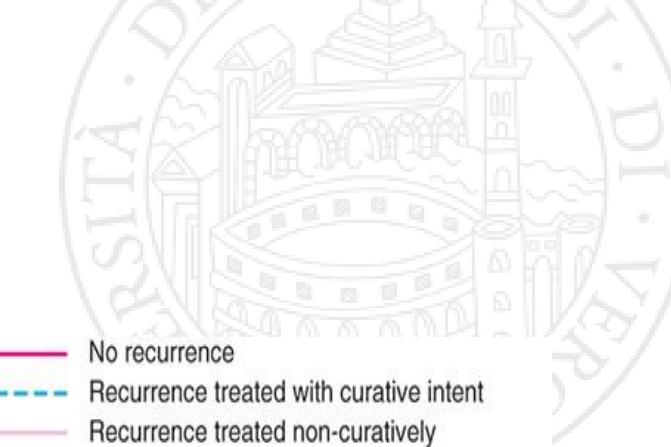
1990-2023
715 ICC
OBSERVED



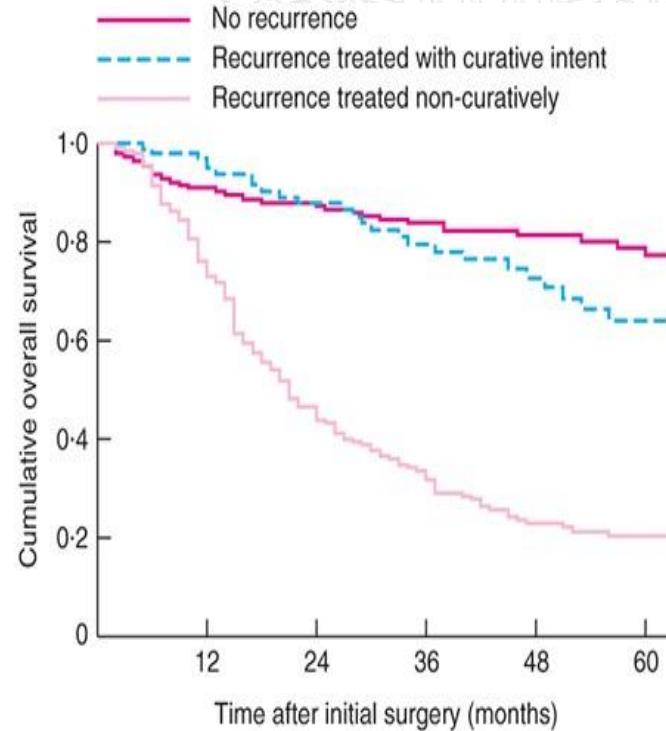
Early versus late recurrence of intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma after resection with curative intent

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| No. at risk | |
|-------------|-----|
| Early | 540 |
| Late | 145 |



| No. at risk | |
|---------------|-----|
| No recurrence | 248 |
| Curative | 103 |
| Non-curative | 224 |

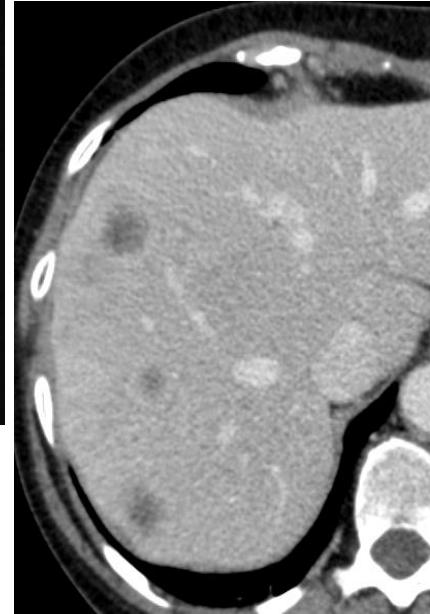
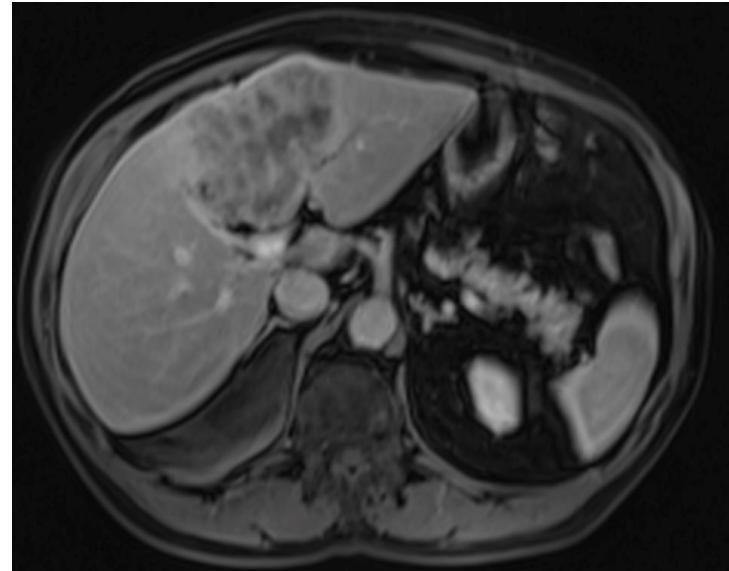
a Recurrence, all patients

a Overall survival after diagnosis of recurrence

b Overall survival according to treatment of recurrence

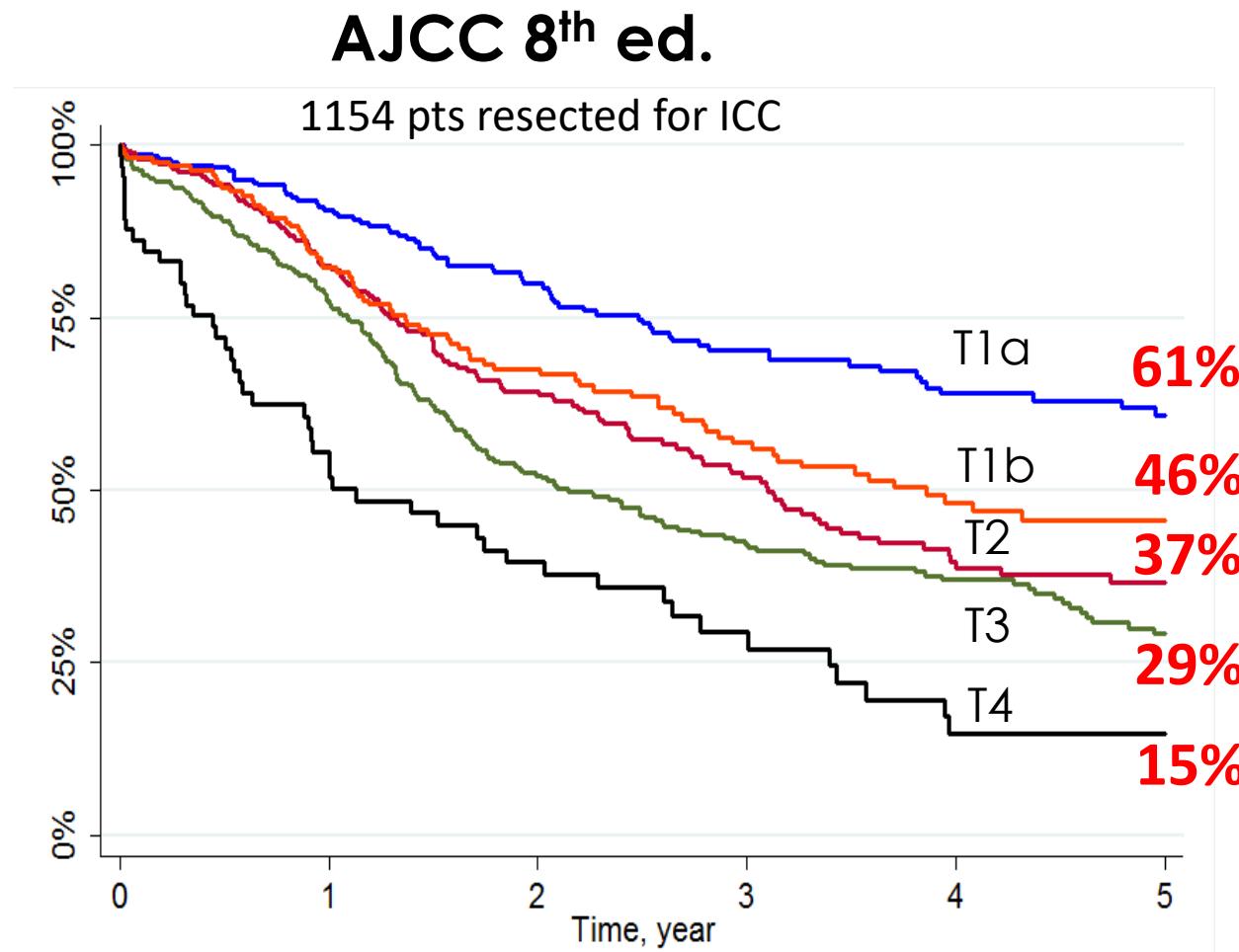
Predictors of long-term Outcomes

- ✓ Tumor size
- ✓ Multifocality
- ✓ Margins
- ✓ Vascular invasion
- ✓ LN metastases
- ✓ Tumor markers



Survival after Surgery for ICC

According with T stages



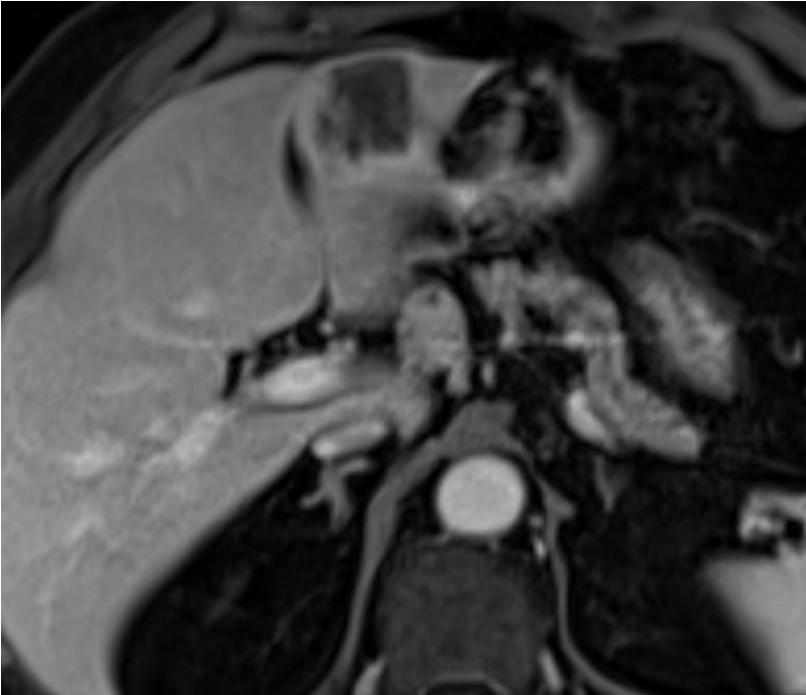
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| T1a | Solitary tumor \leq 5cm |
| T1b | Solitary tumor $>$ 5cm |
| T2 | Vascular Invasion or Multiple tumors |
| T3 | Perforation Visceral Peritoneum |
| T4 | Involving local extrahepatic structures by direct invasion |



Surgery is still
controversial ?

T2 → Multiple nodules

SAME BIOLOGICAL BEHAVIOUR ?



Single
T1a-b

solitary with different size
 $\leq 5\text{cm}$ $> 5\text{ cm}$



Single + satellites
T2

multiple nodules in the same
anatomical liver segment



Multifocal
T2

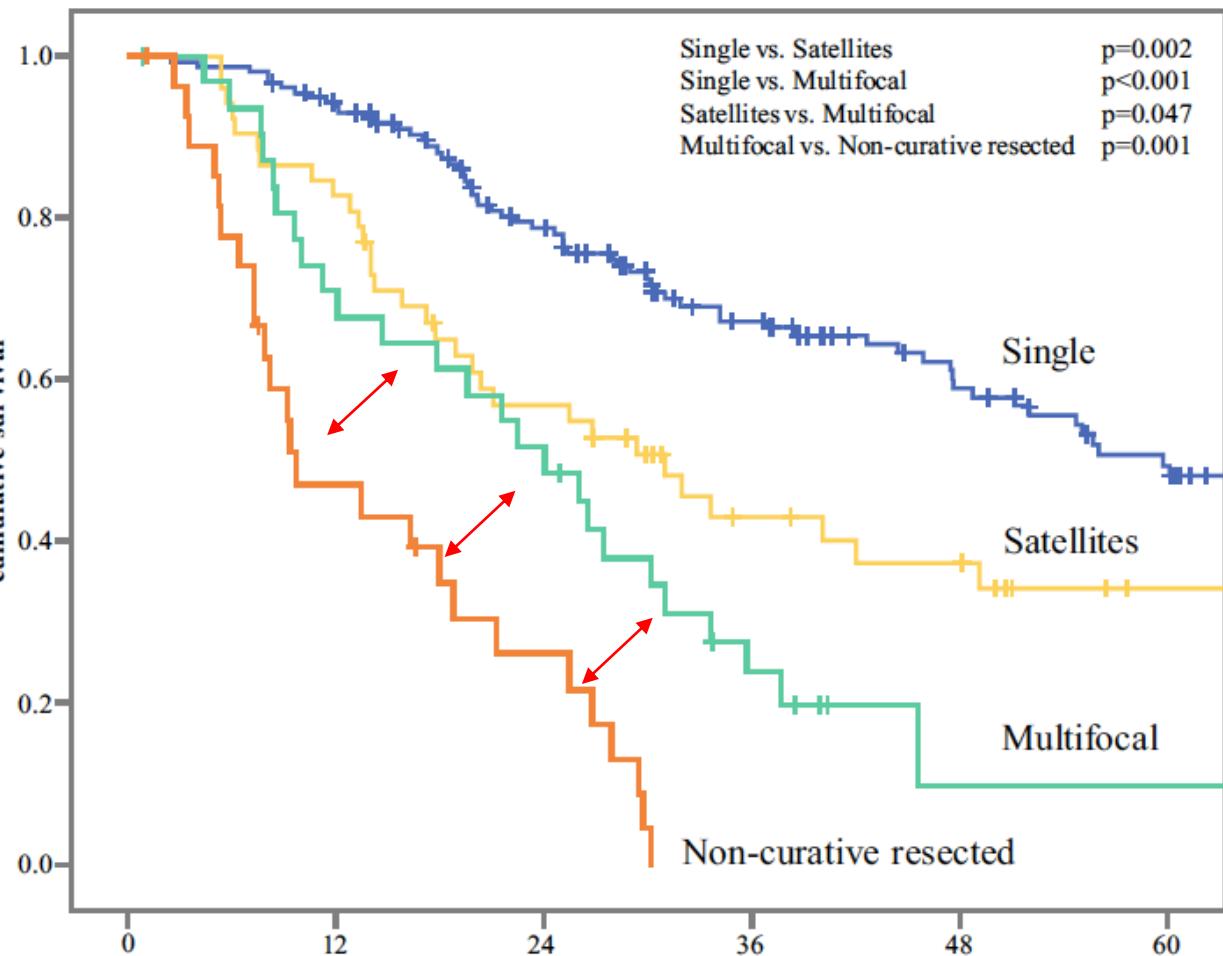
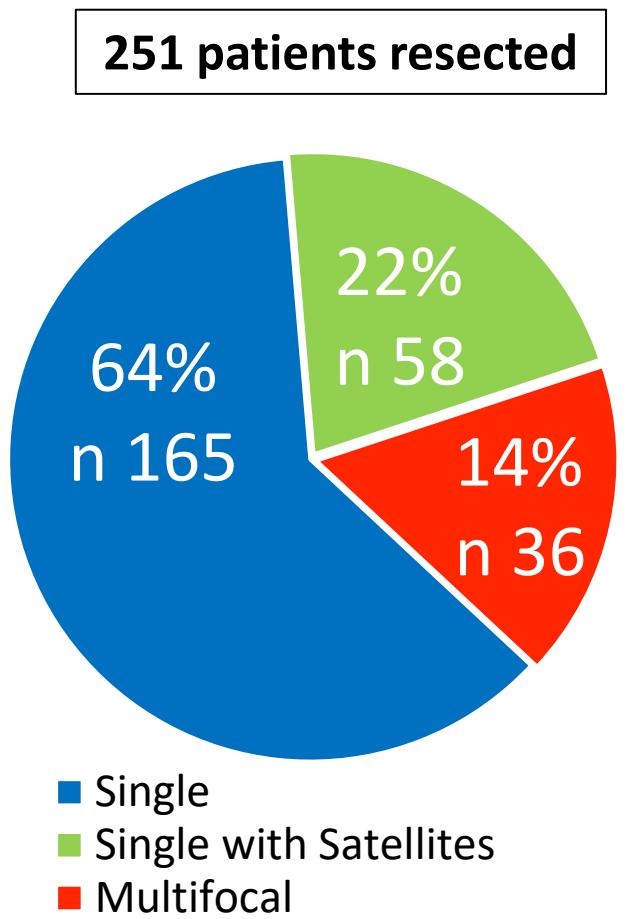
multiple nodules in different
anatomical liver segment

Patterns of Distribution of Hepatic Nodules (Single, Satellites or Multifocal) in Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma: Prognostic Impact After Surgery

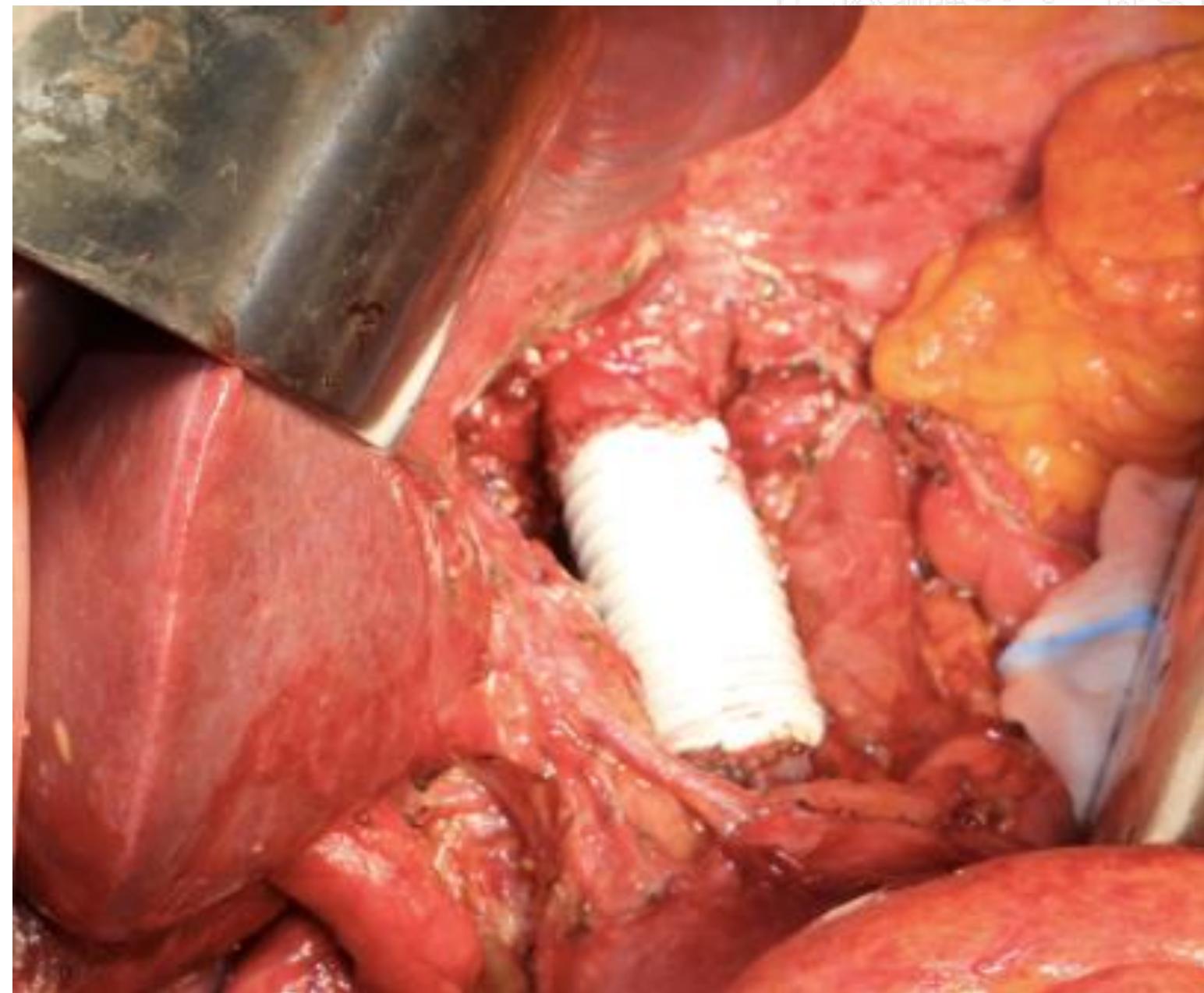
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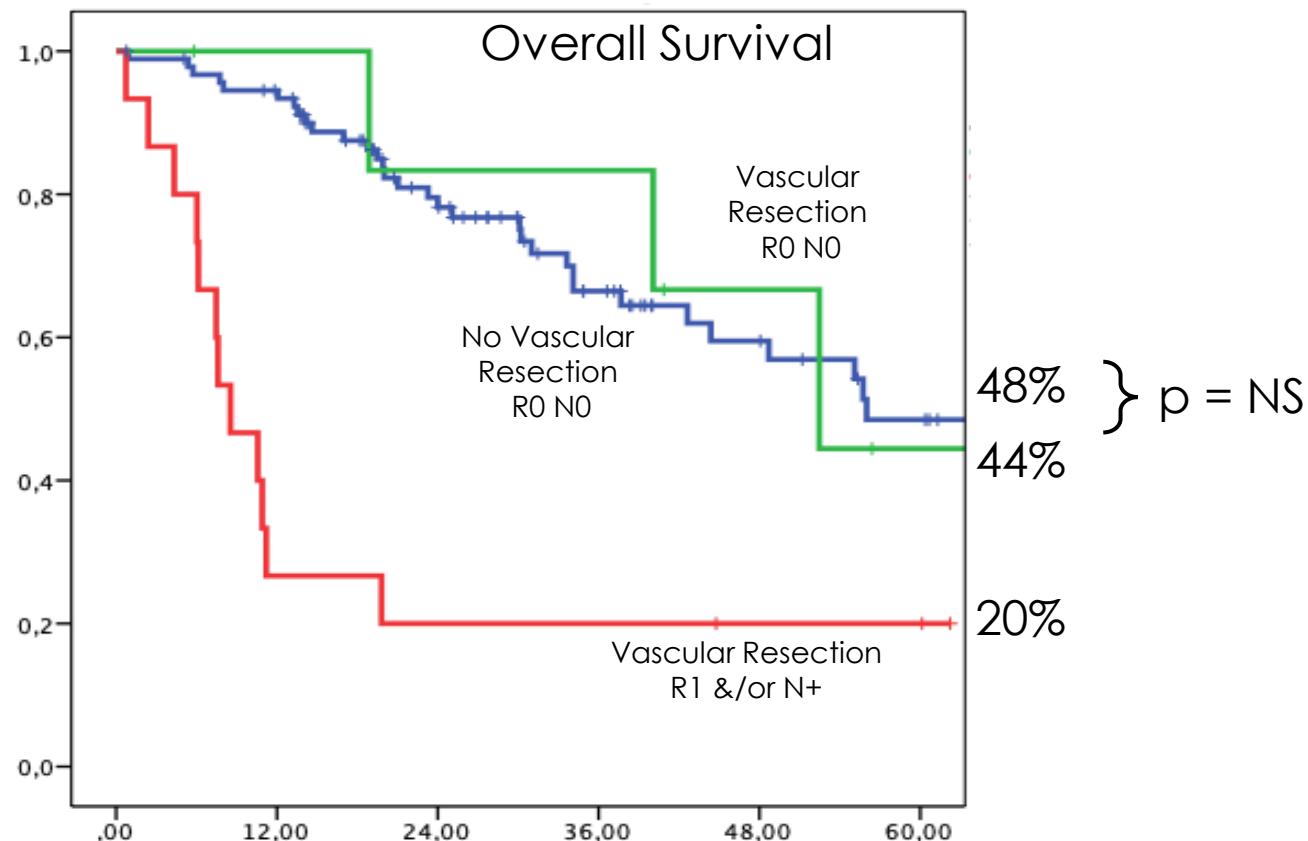


ICC - Vascular resection to obtain R0 resection



Outcomes of vascular resection associated with curative intent hepatectomy for intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma

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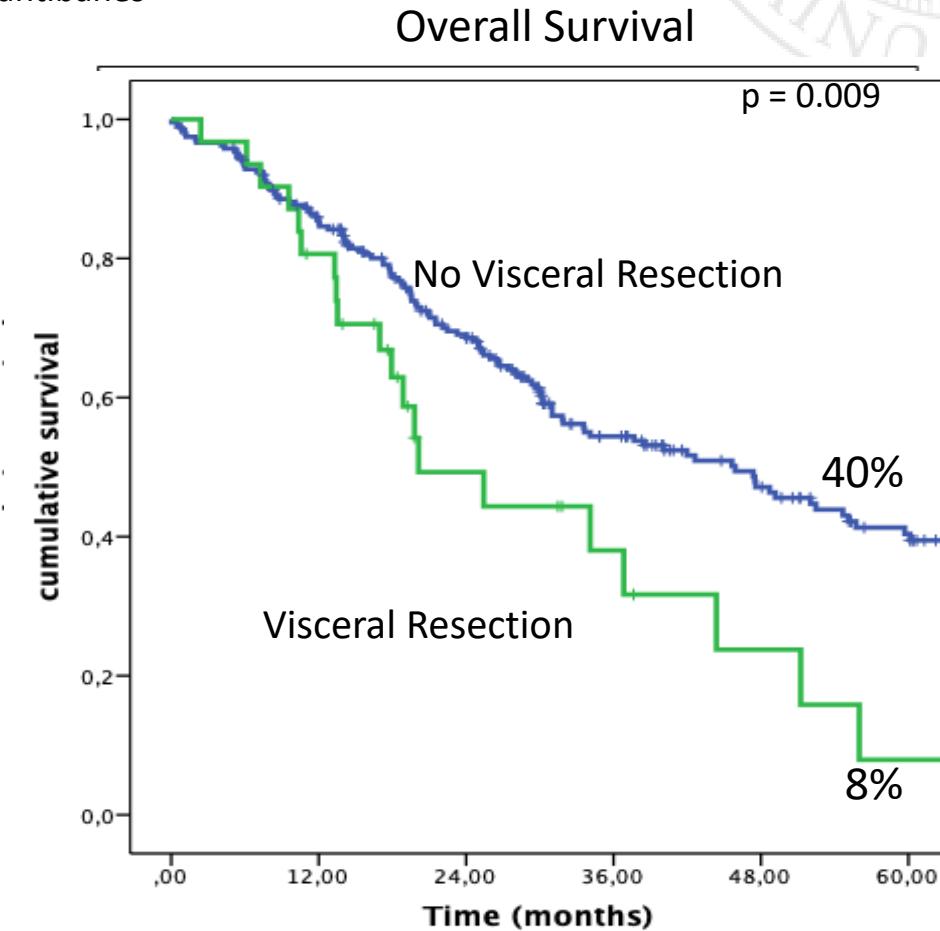
Best Survivors
Vascular Resection R0 N0

Resection of adjacent organs

270 patients resected for ICC

University of Verona – Guglielmi; Humanitas University – Rozzano – Torzilli
University of Bologna – Pinna; Hospital Italiano de Buenos Aires – De Santibanes

| Visceral Resection | 11,5% (n 31) |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Diaphragm | 1.9% (n 5) |
| Hepatic Hilum | 7% (n 19) |
| Adrenal Gland | 0.7% (n 2) |
| Colon | 0.7% (n 2) |
| Peritoneum-Omentum | 1.1% (n 3) |



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Role of Lymph Node Dissection in Small (≤ 3 cm) Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma

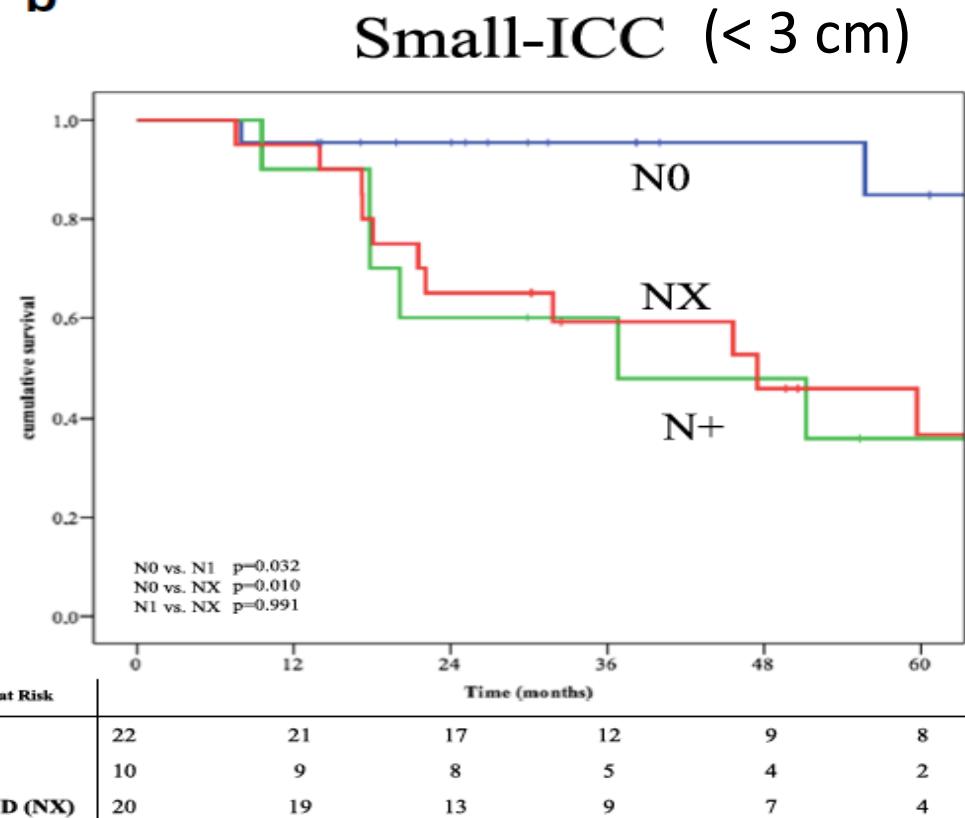
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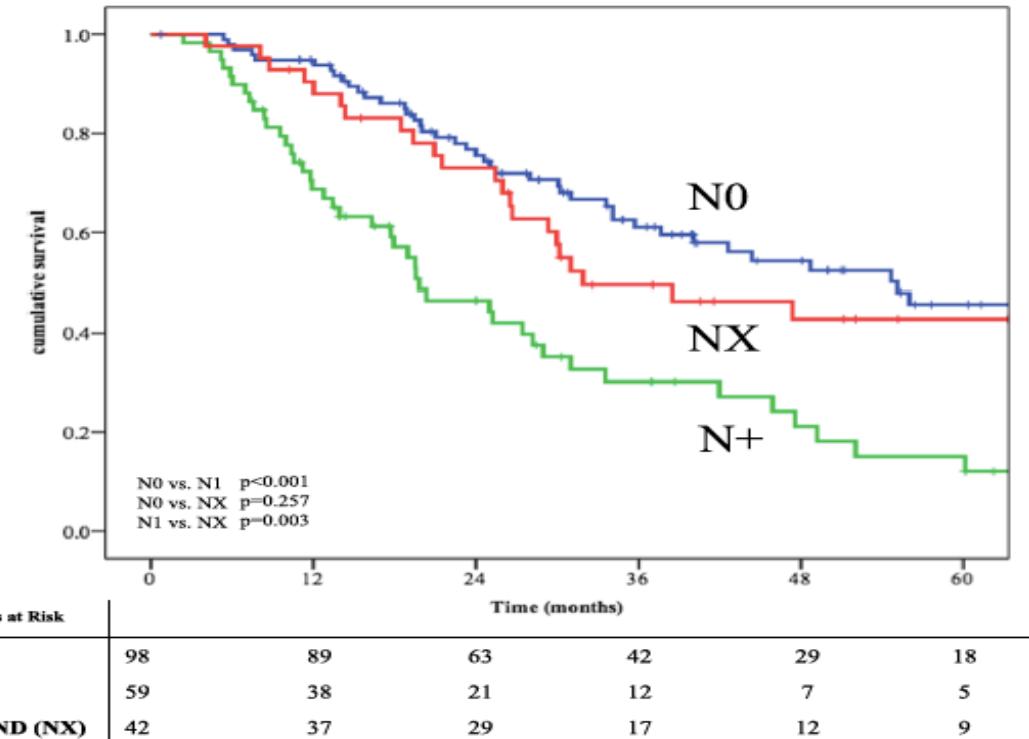


194 resected ICC \rightarrow N positive 34%

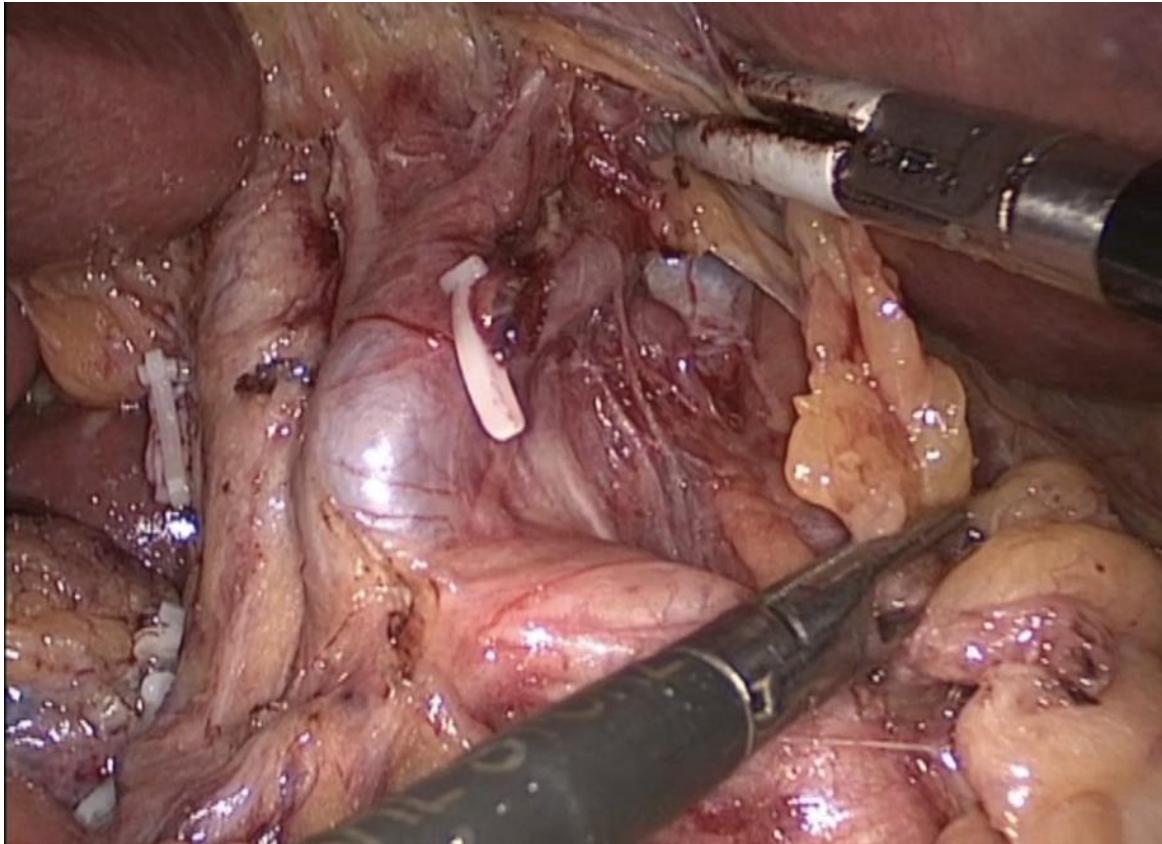
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Large-ICC (> 3 cm)



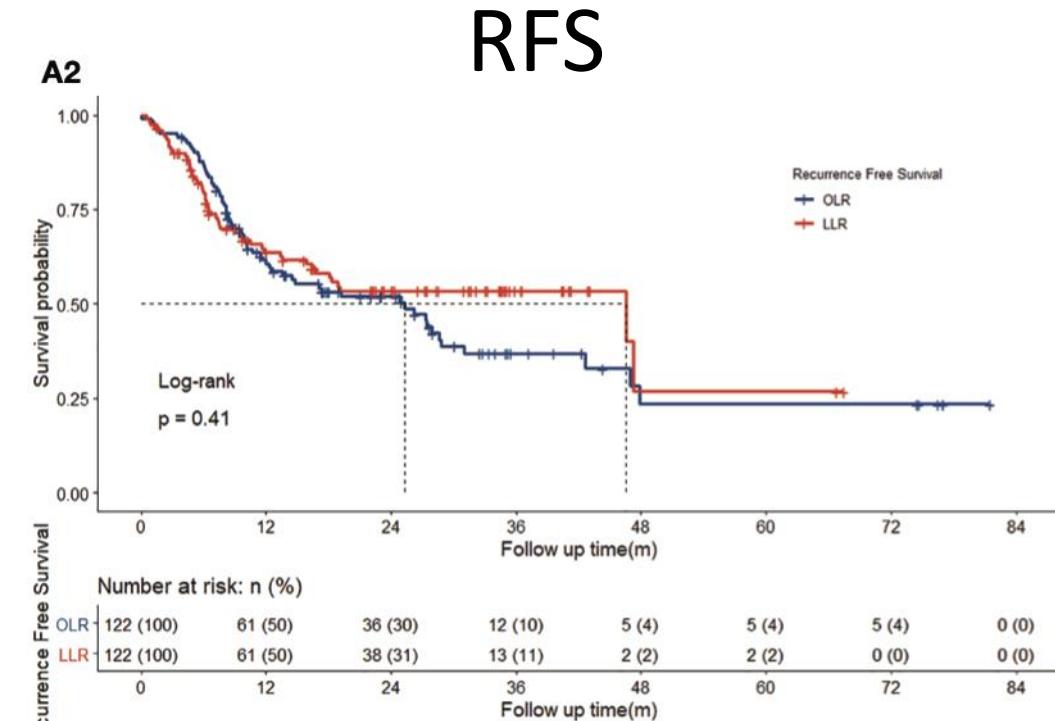
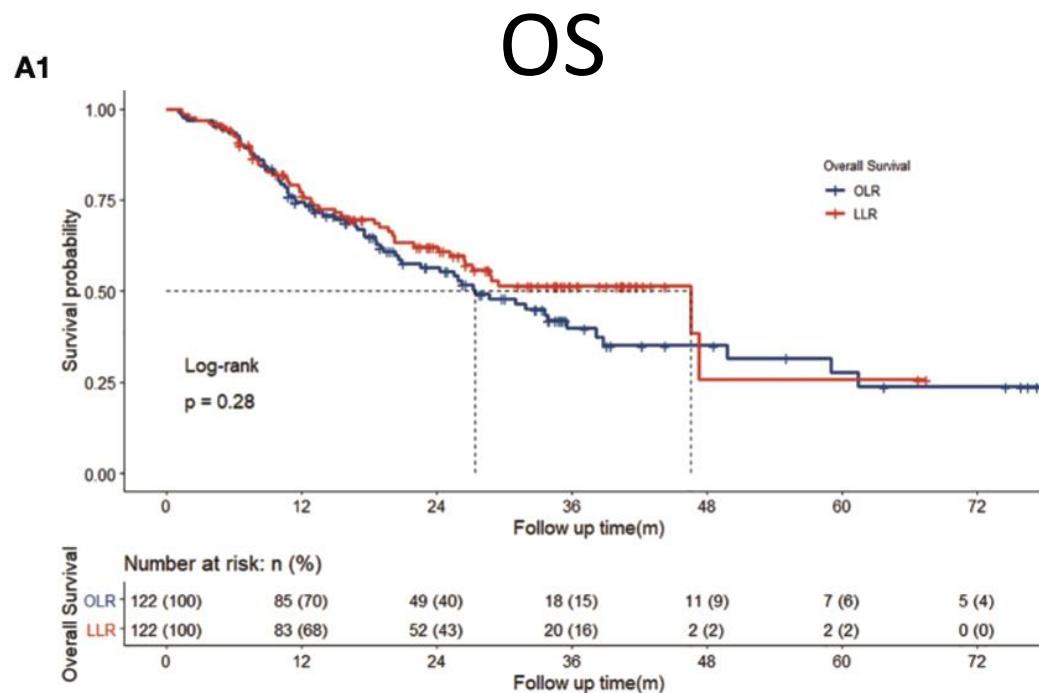
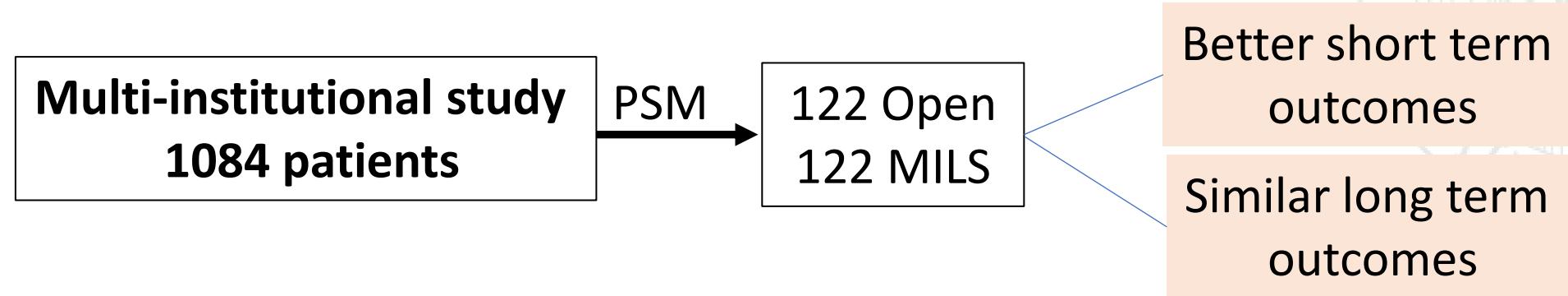
MINIMAL ACCESS APPROACH FOR CHOLANGIOCARCINOMA



**RESPECT OF ONCOLOGICAL PRINCIPLES
OF R0 RESECTIONS:**

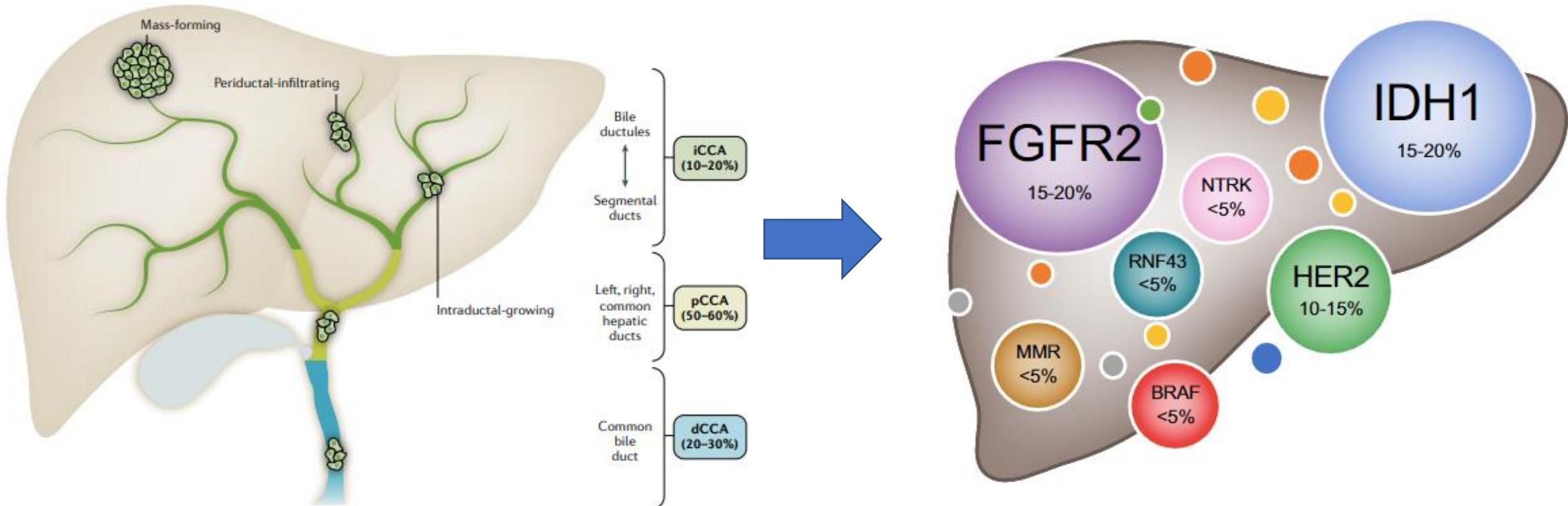
- Negative Margins
- Lymph-nodes dissection

MILS vs OPEN: Results



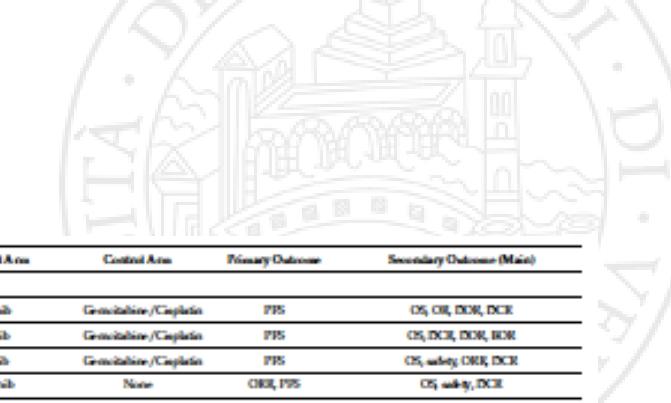
From Anatomical to Molecular Classification...

Is it Time to Overcome the Anatomical Classification ?



Up to **45%** of CCA have Potentially Targetable Mutations

Evolution of the Targeted Therapy Landscape for Cholangiocarcinoma: Is Cholangiocarcinoma the ‘NSCLC’ of GI Oncology?



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32 ongoing trial

| Target | Phase | Clinical Trial Identifier | Treated Cancer Group | Experimental Arm | Control Arm | Primary Outcome | Secondary Outcomes (Main) |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|---|---|
| First Line | | | | | | | |
| FGFR3 fusion/mutagenesis | III | NCT04626246 | CCA | Pretreatment | Gemcitabine/Caprelsta | PIB | OS, ORR, DCR, DCR |
| | III | NCT04792002 | CCA | Infusional | Gemcitabine/Caprelsta | PIB | OS, DCR, DCR, DCR |
| | III | NCT04600342 | CCA | Palliative | Gemcitabine/Caprelsta | PIB | OS, safety, ORR, DCR |
| | II | NCT04220018 | CCA | Dose-escalation | None | ORR, PFS | OS, safety, DCR |
| | 1/II | NCT04556106 | CCA and other advanced tumors | ELY-4008 | None | ORR, MTD, safety | DCR, DCR, pharmacokinetics |
| HER2 mutations | II | NCT04613148 | HTCa | Trastuzumab plus gemcitabine/caprelsta | None | ORR, safety | PIB, OS |
| | 1/II | NCT04249246 | HTCa | Trastuzumab plus gemcitabine/caprelsta | None | MTD, safety; PFS; ORR | OS, DCR, DCR, PK |
| | Subsequent lines | | | | | | |
| NTRK gene fusion | II | NCT0460721 | Advanced solid tumors | Larotrectinib | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety, DCR, GM1, GM1 |
| | CT00271 | Advanced solid tumors | Larotrectinib | None | ORR | PIB, safety, PK, changes in tumor genetics | |
| | TR004 | Advanced solid tumors | Ramucirumab + Bevacizumab | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety, DCR | |
| Non-V600E BRAF mutations | II | NCT0460281 | Advanced solid tumors | ABM-1310 | None | MTD | PIB, OS, safety, PK, ORR, DCR, DCR |
| | I | NCT04549443 | Advanced solid tumors | ICB-3045 | None | Safety, MTD | PIB, OS, PK, ORR, DCR, DCR |
| | I | NCT04401447 | Advanced solid tumors | ES-1167 monotherapy or in combination with dabrafenib | None | Safety | PIB, OS, ORR, DCR, time to response, DCR, PK |
| CDKN2 mutations | II | NCT04406455 | CCA | Dabrafenib | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety |
| | II | NCT04212274 | CCA | Olaparib | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety |
| | II | NCT04096045 | CCA | Carbosartan + Olaparib | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety, DCR |
| | 1/II | NCT04220039 | Advanced solid tumors | Trametinib | None | DLI, ICDDG | Plasma concentration metrics |
| | I | NCT04521446 | CCA | LY3414988 LY3414988 + Gemcitabine/Caprelsta | None | MTD | OS, safety and tolerability, efficacy, PK |
| JMJD1/MSI-11 | 1/II | NCT04600527 | Advanced solid tumors | Bevacizumab in combination with Trametinib | None | Recommended phase 2 dose; ORR | PIB, OS, safety changes in protein methylation |
| | II/III | NCT04600670 | HTCa | Yervoy with Cetuximab | Cetuximab | ORR, PFS | OS, safety, DCR, DCR, tumor size, ICDDG |
| | II | NCT04116588 | Metastatic carcinomas of digestive system including HTCa | Treatment plus 5-FU or IRI or Cetuximab | None | IR | OS, PFS, DCR, DCR, time of response, ICDDG |
| | II | NCT04011626 | Advanced solid tumors | Treatment and Pembrolizumab | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety, DCR |
| | II | NCT04006721 | CCA | Treatment and entecavir | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety, PK |
| HER2 mutations | II | NCT04257529 | Advanced solid tumors | Adv-Trastuzumab emtansine | None | ORR | None |
| | II | NCT04462309 | Advanced solid tumors | Trastuzumab Desetrast | None | ORR | OS, PFS, safety, DCR, DCR, PK, immunogenicity |
| | 1/II | NCT04704627 | Advanced solid tumors | DA-SIFR | None | Safety, ORR | OS, DCR, PK, DCR |
| | I | NCT04546004 | CCA | Niraparib + Atezolizumab | None | DLI, MTD | PIB, ORR |
| | I | NCT04600123 | Advanced solid tumors | Zalrestat plus docetaxel | None | MTD, Safety | PIB, ORR, PK, antiangiogenesis |
| BAF1 and other DDR genes | I | NCT04254600 | Non-hepat/non-gastric solid tumors | Treatment and Desacetaxel | None | ORR | DCR, ORR, DCR, PFS, OS, pharmacokinetics, safety |
| | II | NCT04253947 | CCA | Niraparib | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety |
| DNA repair gene mutation | II | NCT04253947 | CCA | Niraparib | None | ORR | PIB, OS, safety |
| | Matched molecular therapy | | | | | | |
| Matched molecular therapy | N/A | NCT0450404 | Rare tumors | FoundationOne CDx and FoundationOne Liquid CDx | None | No to require a molecularly targeted matched, PFS | Tumor molecular profile correlation to treatment outcome. |

Current Role and Future Perspectives of Immunotherapy and Circulating Factors in Treatment of Biliary Tract Cancers

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Table 2. Published results of main clinical trials for immunotherapy in BTC.

| Study name | Phase | Drug/Target | Setting | Outcomes |
|-------------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| KEYNOTE-028 ³³ | 1b | Pembrolizumab / PD-1 | Histologically confirmed advanced BTC, with disease progression after ≥1 prior standard therapy. | ORR 13% PFS 1.8 months OS 5.7 months |
| KEYNOTE-158 ³³ | 2 | Pembrolizumab / PD-1 | Deviatorically resectable or metastatic MSI-H/dMMR non-colorectal cancer, including advanced BTC. | ORR 5.8% PFS 2 months OS 7.4 months |
| NCT02829918 ³⁷ | 2 | Nivolumab / PD-1 | Histologically confirmed advanced refractory BTC undergoing treatment with 1-3 lines of systemic therapy. | ORR 22% PFS 3.68 months |
| CA209-538 ⁴⁰ | 2 | Nivolumab / PD-1 Ipilimumab / CTLA4 | Unresectable or metastatic rare cancers, including advanced BTC. | ORR 23% PFS 2.9 months OS 5.7 months |
| TOPAZ-1 (NCT03875235) ⁴⁴ | 3 | GEMCIS + Durvalumab / PD-L1 | Chemotherapy-naïve patients with advanced BTC. | ORR 26.7% |
| INTR@PID BTC047 (NCT0383361) | | Bintrafusp-alfa / PD-L1:TGF-β | Second-line treatment in patients with advanced or metastatic BTC who have failed or are intolerant to first-line platinum-based chemotherapy. | ORR 10.1% PFS 1.8 months OS 7.6 months |
| NCT01938612 ¹⁸ | 1 | Durvalumab / PD-L1 Tremelimumab / CTLA4 | Second line treatment for advanced or metastatic solid tumors. | ORR 10.8% OS 10.1 months |
| JapicCTI-153098 ¹¹⁹ | 1 | GEMCIS + Nivolumab / PD-1 | First line treatment of unresectable BTC. | ORR 37% PFS 4.2 months |
| NCT03311789 ¹²⁰ | 2 | GEMCIS + Nivolumab / PD-1 | First line treatment of unresectable BTC. | ORR 55.6% PFS 6.1 months |
| NCT01869166 ⁵⁴ | 1 | CART / EGFR | | |
| NCT01935843 ⁵⁵ | 1 | CART / HER2 | | |

11 Published Trials

Table 3. Main ongoing trials for immunotherapy in BTCs.

| Study name | Phase | Drug/Target | Setting |
|---|-------|--|---|
| Keynote - 158 (NCT02628067) ³³ | 2 | Pembrolizumab / PD-1 | Histologically/cytological confirmed incurable advanced BTC, disease progression after ≥1 prior standard therapy, ECOG-PS 0-1, no prior exposure to ICIs. |
| CA 209-538 (NCT02923934) ⁴⁰ | 2 | Ipilimumab / CTLA4 + Nivolumab / PD-1 | First or second line therapy in neuroendocrine tumors, rare gynaecological tumors and advanced upper GI tumors, including BTC. |
| Keynote-966 (NCT04003636) ¹¹⁷ | 3 | GEMCIS + Pembrolizumab /PD-1 | First line therapy for advanced or unresectable BTC. |
| NCT03797326 ¹²¹ | 2 | Lenvatinib / VEGFR + Pembrolizumab / PD-1 | Second line therapy in selected solid tumors, including BTC. |
| NCT04720131 ¹²² | 2 | Capecitabine + Camrelizumab / PD-1 + Apatinib / VEGFR2 | First or second line treatment for advanced BTC. |
| 08067 ¹²³ | 1 | RT + Bintrafusp-alfa/PD-L1:TGF-β iCCG. | Second line treatment for advanced or metastatic iCCG. |

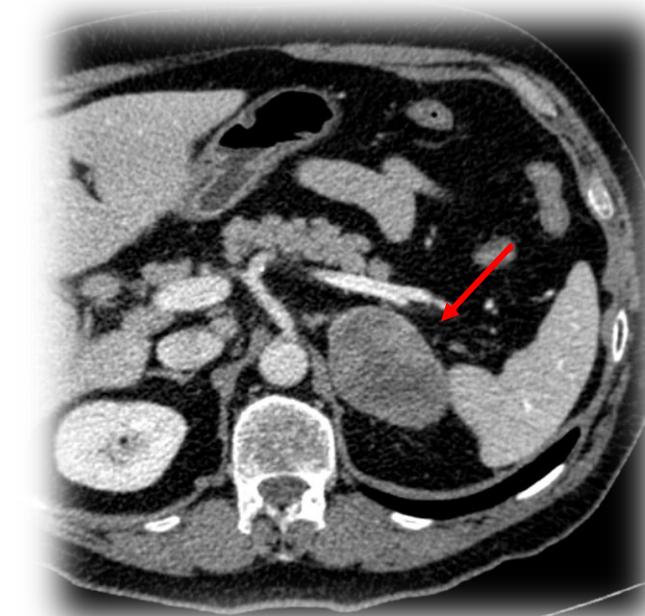
6 Ongoing Trials

Response Rate (CR, PR) 6-55%
Median OS 6-10 months

New systemic treatments



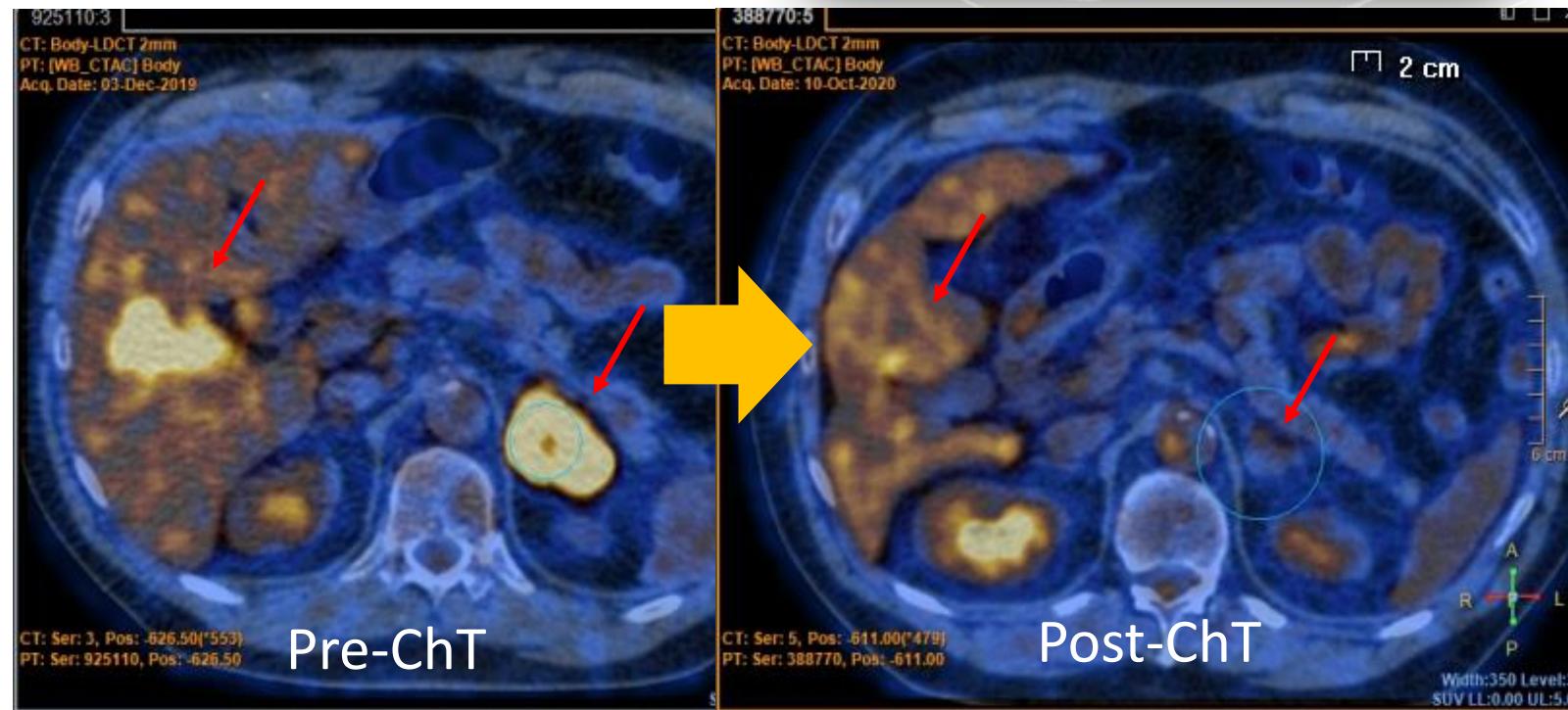
Male 63 years old
ICC right lobe + Adrenal gland metastases



RCT - TOPAZ 1
Gemcitabine-Cisplatin
Durvalumab (Immunotherapy) vs Placebo

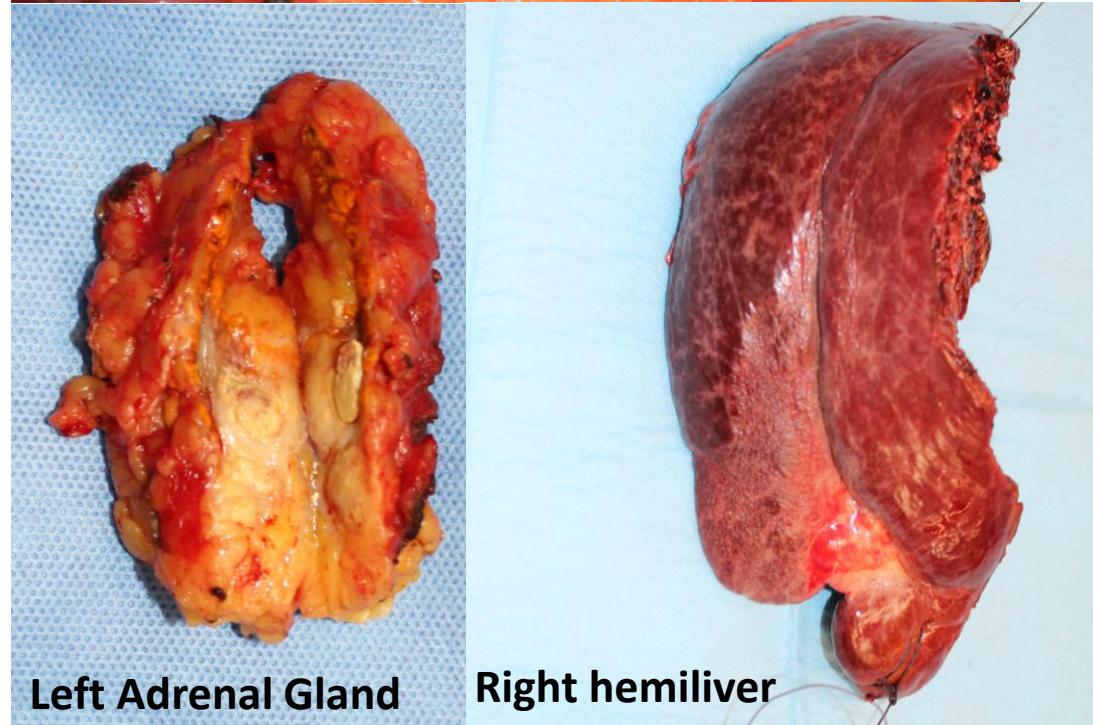
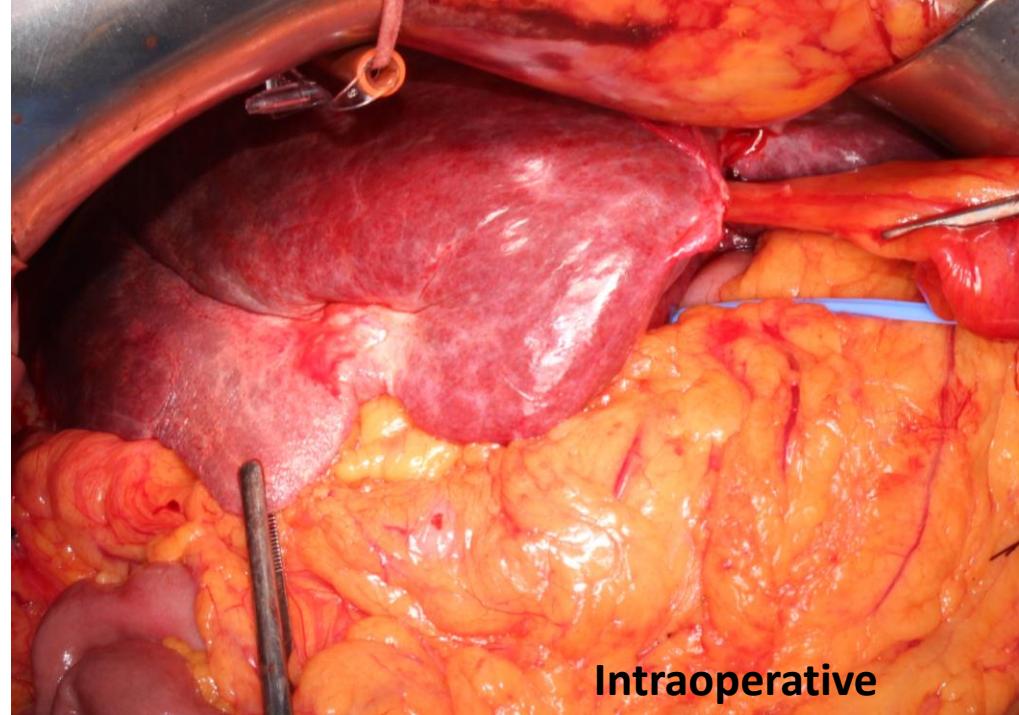
New systemic treatments

7 Cycles
Gem-Cis
Durvalumab

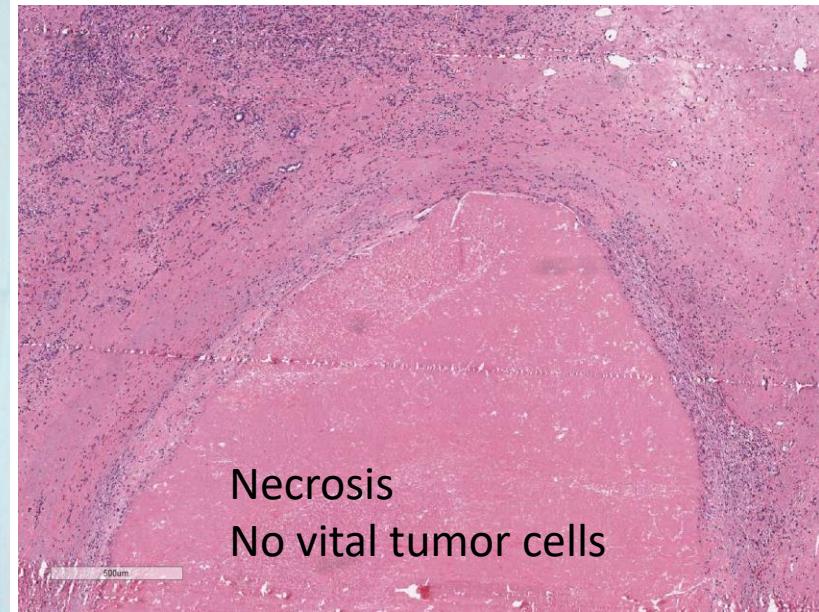




Right Hepatectomy + Left Adrenalectomy



Pathology

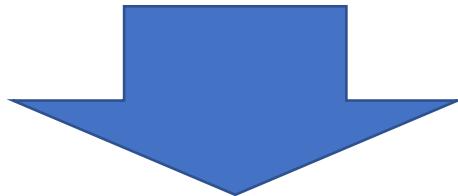


New systemic treatments



TARGET THERAPY

IMMUNOTHERAPY



APPROVED FOR ADVANCED/METASTATIC
(NOT SURGICAL PATIENTS)

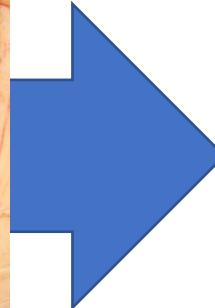
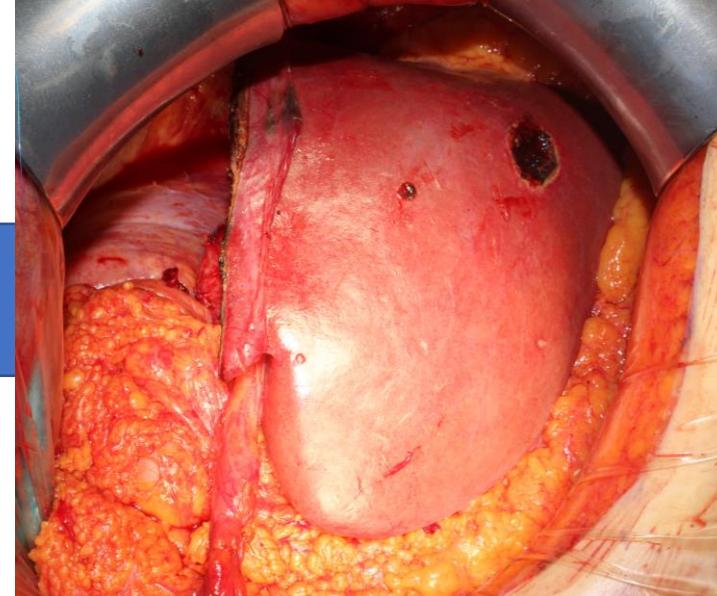
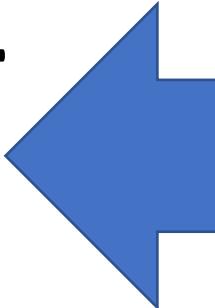


New systemic treatments



Have we to change our
surgical attitude ?

NEOADJUVANT
(preop)



ADJUVANT
(postop)

Conclusion: Take home message



- Surgery offers the best chances of long term survival
- Resectability is very Low and Recurrence very Hight
- Main goal of surgery is R0 resection with low mortality and morbidity
- Multidisciplinary team dedicated is always required and recommended
- Integration with new systemic therapy (chemotherapy, target therapy, immunotherapy) are needed in the next future