



Liver transplantation for colorectal liver metastases



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Improvements in oncological management

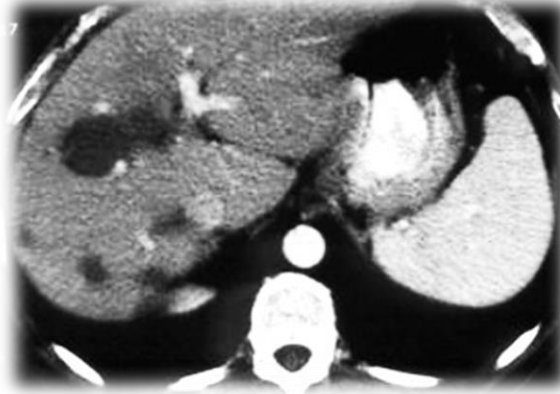
- Render “resectable” patients who were initially non-resectable: collaboration (chemo-radiotherapy) –surgical innovations
- Minimally invasive surgery
- transplant-oncology

Classification

Classe III



Classe II



Classe I



Non-resectables

Resection POSSIBLE
(borderline)

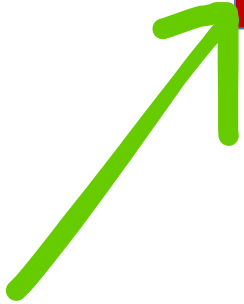
Easily resectable

TRANSPLANTATION ?
"Transplant oncology"

HEPATECTOMY

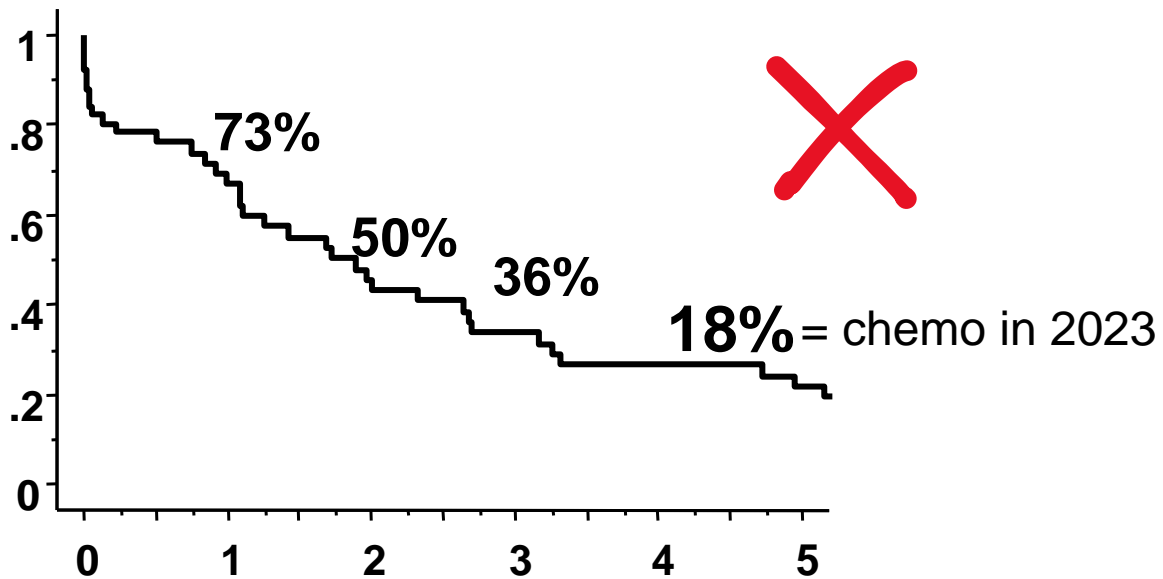
- Major FLR <40%
- "Staged"
- ALPSS
- Complex VVP

FRL > 40%
Minor
Left hepatectomy



Patient Survival after LT for Colorectal Metastases

N=50, Feb. 1977 – Dec. 2004



But 50% of deaths were not related to tumor recurrence

1995 = FUTILE

JAMA Surgery | Original Investigation

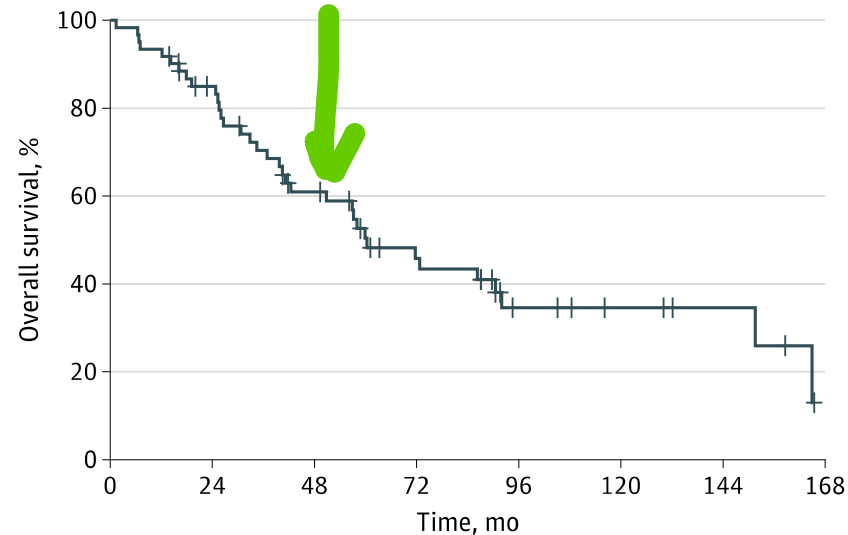
Long-Term Survival, Prognostic Factors, and Selection of Patients With Colorectal Cancer for Liver Transplant A Nonrandomized Controlled Trial

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Survival After Liver Transplant

B Overall survival



No. at risk 61 47 31 19 9 6 4 0

Survival > 60 % at 5 years

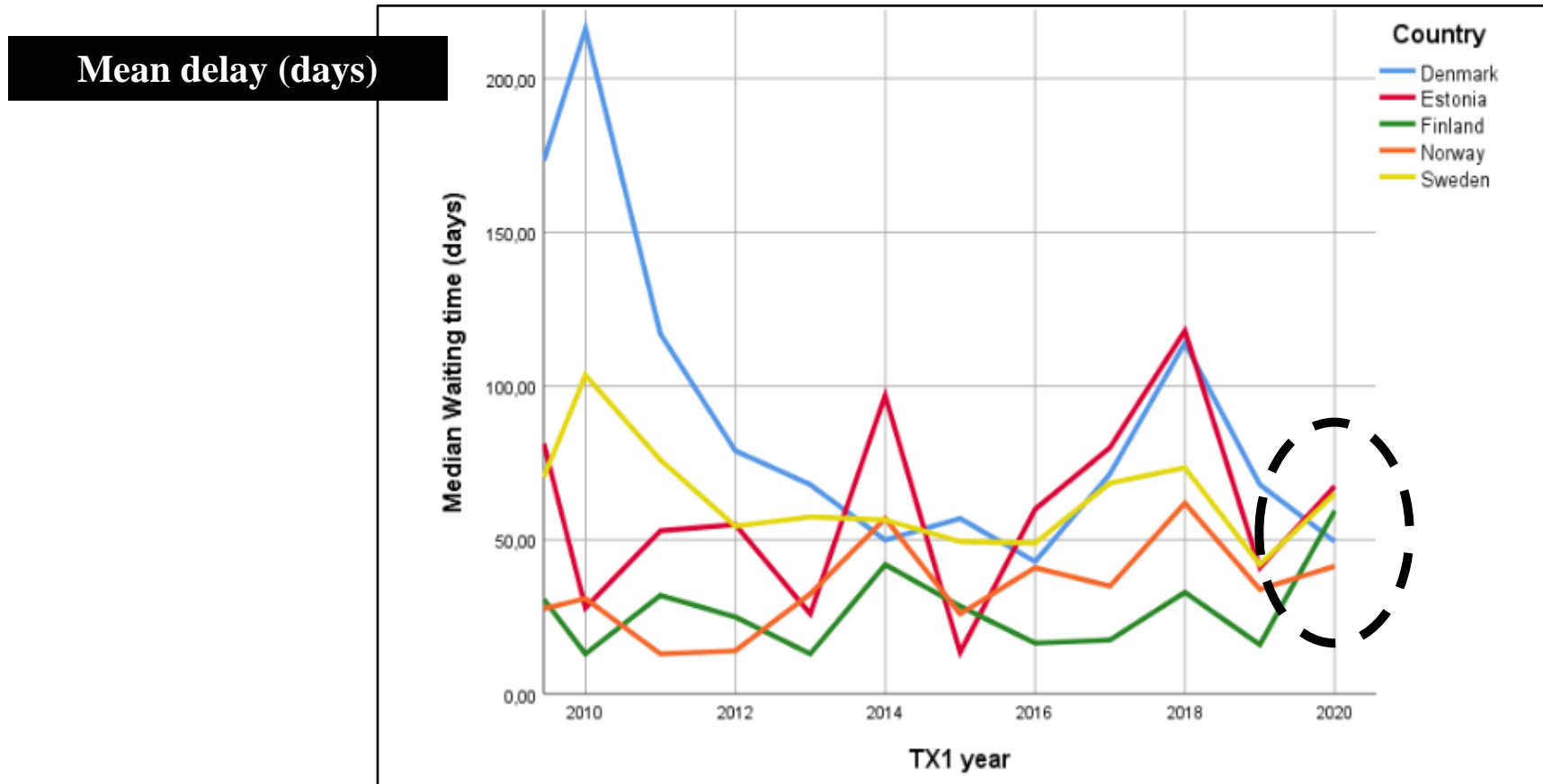
Transplantation for non-resectable liver mets

Rational

1. Better expertise in LT
2. Better knowledge of tumoral biology
3. Very efficient chemo
4. Immunosuppression adaptable
5. Better selection +++

The beginning of A new success story....

Remind | Very short waiting time before LT with cadaveric grafts in the Nordic countries



Mean delay to obtain cadaveric graft shorter than 3 months

LT for non-resectable Mets

Liver Transplantation for Nonresectable Liver Metastases From Colorectal Cancer

**SECA-1 2013
(2006-2011)**

Critères d'inclusion

- Primitif réséqué
- ECOG 0-1
- Chimiothérapie
- Pas de maladie extra-hépatique
- Pas d'atteinte GG sur extempo
- ≤ 65 ans
- Pas de mutation BRAF

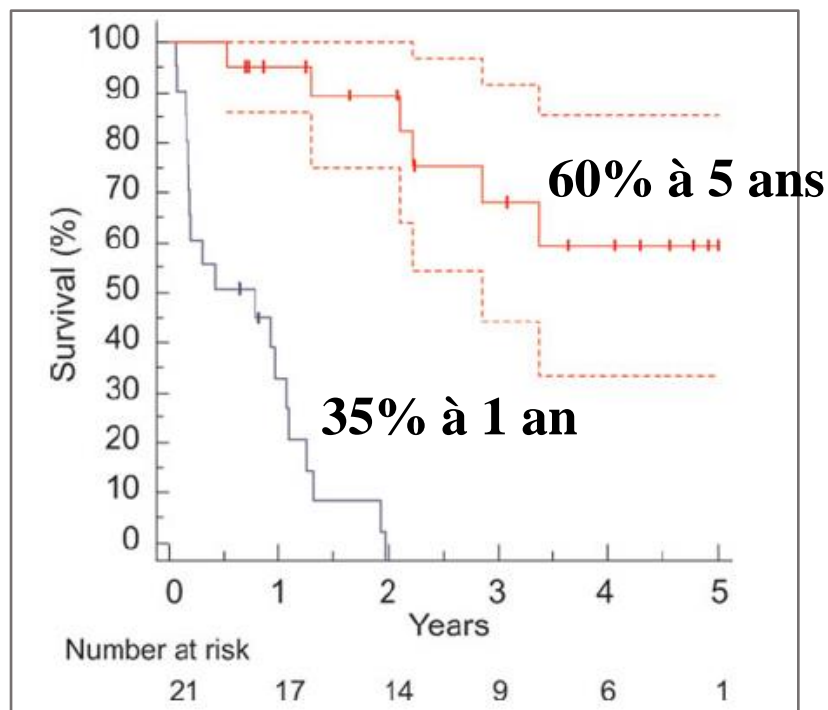


- N = **25** patients inscrits sur liste
- Exclus (n=3)
 - ✓ Ascite et méta. pulmonaires, n = 1
 - ✓ ADP métastatiques en per-TH, n = 2

LT for non-resectable Mets

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Liver Transplantation for Nonresectable Liver Metastases From Colorectal Cancer



Time to recurrence, † median (range), mo	8 (2–24)
Metastases	
Lung, No. patients	17
Liver	7
Skeletal	5†
Ovary	2
Para-aortal lymph nodes	2
Peritoneal	1
Adrenal	1
Recurrence of primary malignancy	
Rectal cancer, No. patients	2
New colonic cancer	1

Oslo score 0 to 4

1. Colon – LT < 2 ans
2. ACE > 80
3. Size > 5,5cm
4. Progression on chemo

- Overall 5 years Survival rate of **60%** (6 deaths / 21)
- DFS rate **35% at one year** (19 récidives)
- Fact pronostiques: **size > 55 mm, ACE > 80, progression on chemo, delay colectomy/LT < 2 years**

LT versus chemotherapy alone

Chemotherapy or Liver Transplantation for Nonresectable Liver Metastases From Colorectal Cancer?

SECA-1 2015

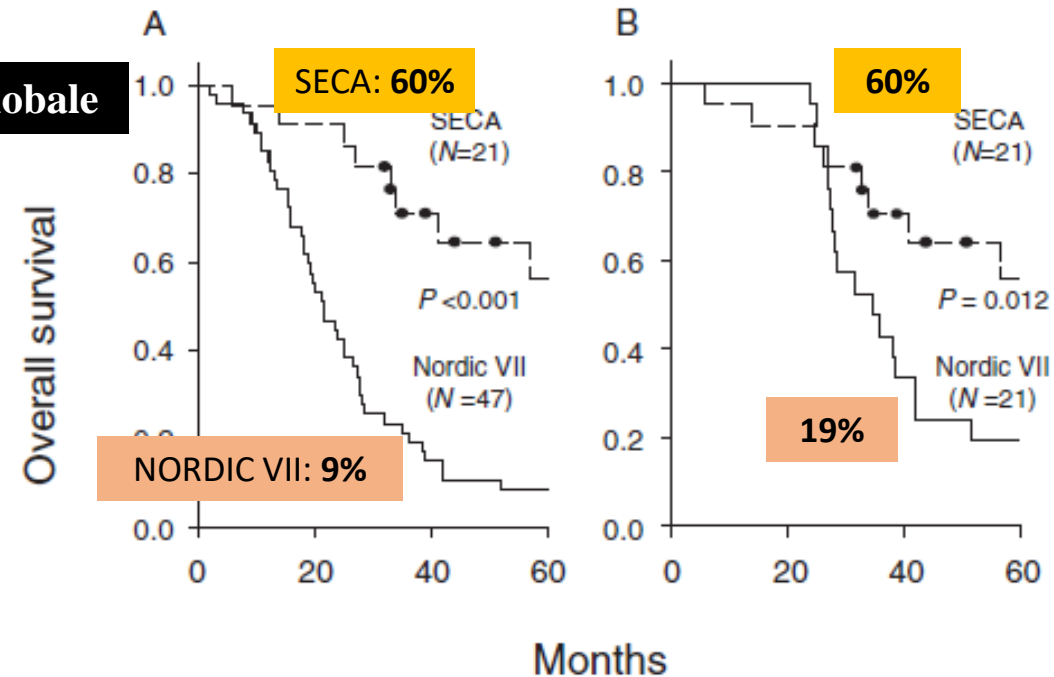
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SECA
N = 21

NORDIC VII
N = 64

Survie globale



Survival is much better in LT group compare to Chemo group

LT versus Chemo

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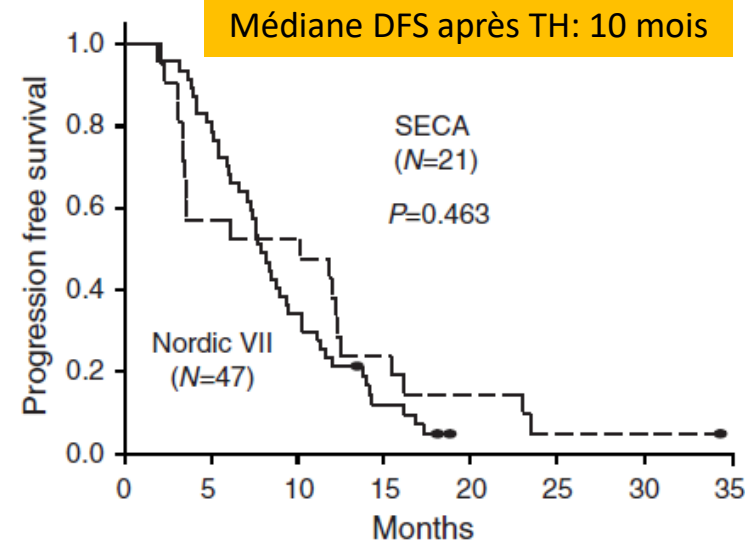
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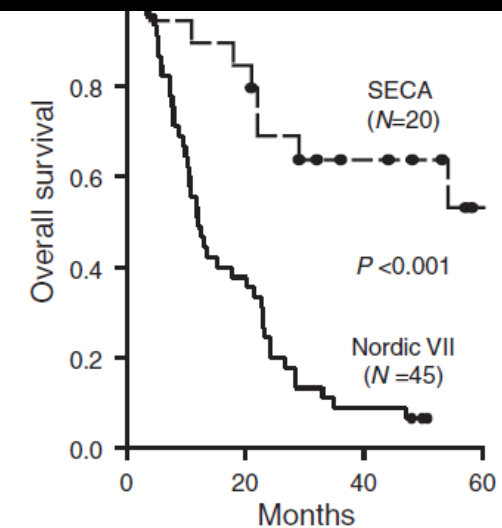
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Survie globale à partir de la récurrence ou progression



This difference in OS despite a comparable PFS is explained by the type of recurrence or progression: Isolated and treated pulmonary recurrence in the TH group vs. hepatic progression with cessation of chemo in the chemotherapy group

Survival Following Liver Transplantation for Patients With Nonresectable Liver-only Colorectal Metastases

**SECA-2 2020
(2012-2016)**

Critères d'inclusion + sélectifs

- Primitif réséqué > 1 an
- 1 ligne de chimio avec 10% réponse RECIST
- TEP-TDM
- Lésion < 10 cm.
- Si > 30 nodules, taille < 5 cm avec 30% réponse RECIST
- Délai diagnostic-TH > 12 mois

- N = 15
- yPT3: 73%
- Hepatectomy +/- RF: 4
- Waiting list: 29 days (Delay diagnostic- LT 24 months)

	SECA-1	SECA-2	P *
Time from primary surgery to LT	16.8 (5.9–58.7) mo	22.6 (2.3–111.3) mo	0.526
Age, y	56 (45–65)	59 (35–71)	0.427
FCRS at LT	3 (1–5)	2 (1–3)	0.028
Oslo Score at LT	2 (0–4)	1 (0–1)	<0.001
Liver lesions	8 (4–40)	5 (1–53)	0.049
Size	45 (28–130) mm	24 (3–47) mm	<0.001
CEA, µg/L	15 (1–2002)	2 (1–30)	0.015
SUV _{max}	9.0 (2.3–21.5)	5.9 (2.4–11.2)	0.10
SUV _{peak}	7.3 (1.9–17.5)	4.3 (2.2–9.0)	0.09
SUV _{mean}	5.1 (1.6–13.3)	3.2 (2.0–6.4)	0.13
MTV, cm ³	98.5 (0–874)	21.3 (0–139)	0.08
TLG, g	302 (0–4437)	76 (0–405)	0.06
T/B ratio	5.3 (1.0–11.1)	2.6 (1.0–5.5)	0.03

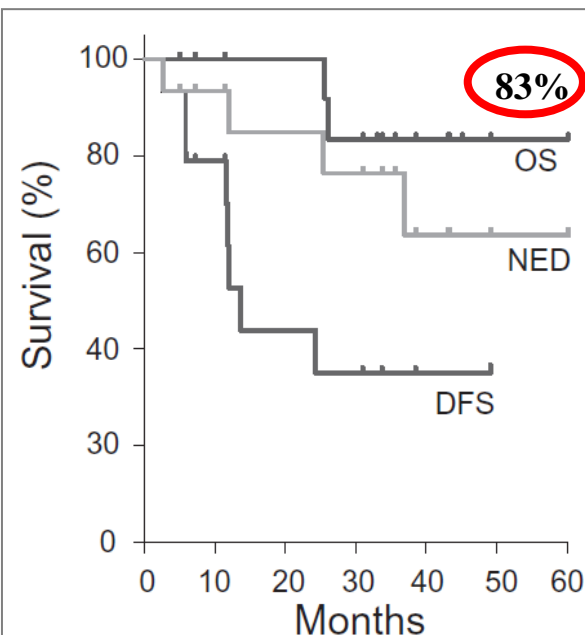
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- N = 15, yPT3: 73%
- Hépatectomie +/- RF: 4
- Durée d'attente sur liste: 29 jours (7-148)
- Délai diagnostic- TH: 24 mois
- Pas de chimio post-TH



Months	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
OS	15	14	12	12	12	10	6	5	2	1	2
DFS	15	11	6	5	5	4	2	1	1	0	0
NED	15	13	11	9	9	9	5	4	2	1	1

75% des récurrences sont pulmonaires (1^{ier} site ou isolées)

TABLE 4. Treatment After Liver Transplantation

Pulmonary resection	5 patients
Number of pulmonary resections	6
Size diagnosed on CT-scans (median, range) n = 6	7.5 mm (5–10 mm)
Liver resection	1 patient
Lymph node resection and p.o. radiation therapy	2 patients, 2 Gy x 25
Palliative chemotherapy	2 patients
OS from start palliative chemotherapy	13 and 17 mo

With better selection, overall survival can reach 83% at 5 years because (mainly) pulmonary recurrences are treated. A hepatic recurrence, on the other hand, is catastrophic

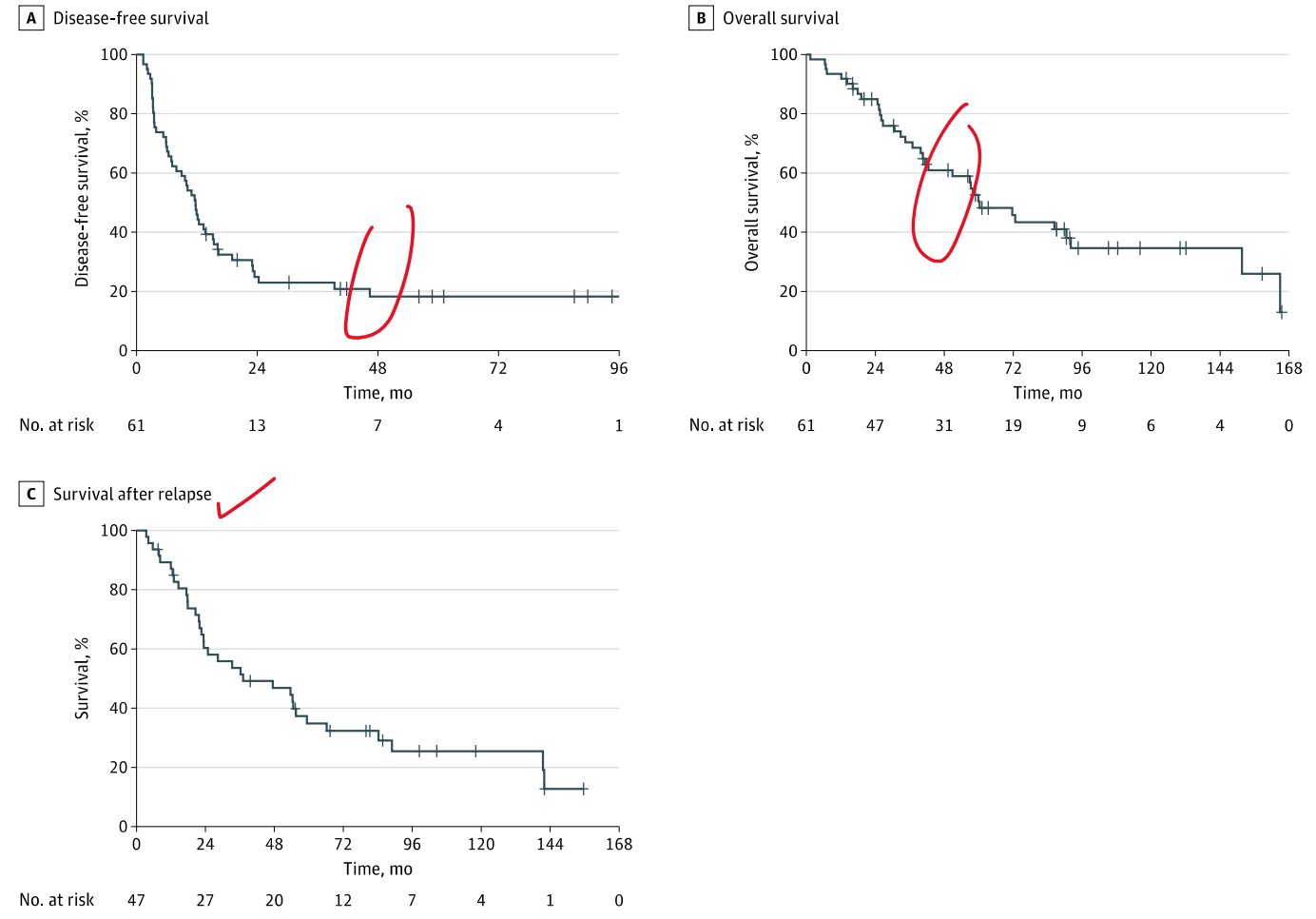
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61 patients

Figure 1. Disease-Free Survival, Overall Survival, and Survival After Relapse After Liver Transplant



A, Disease-free survival. B, Overall survival. C, Survival after relapse.

Figure 2. Association of Overall Survival After Liver Transplant With Oslo Score, Lesion Size, Treatment Response, Carcinoembryonic Antigen (CEA) Levels, and Time From Diagnosis

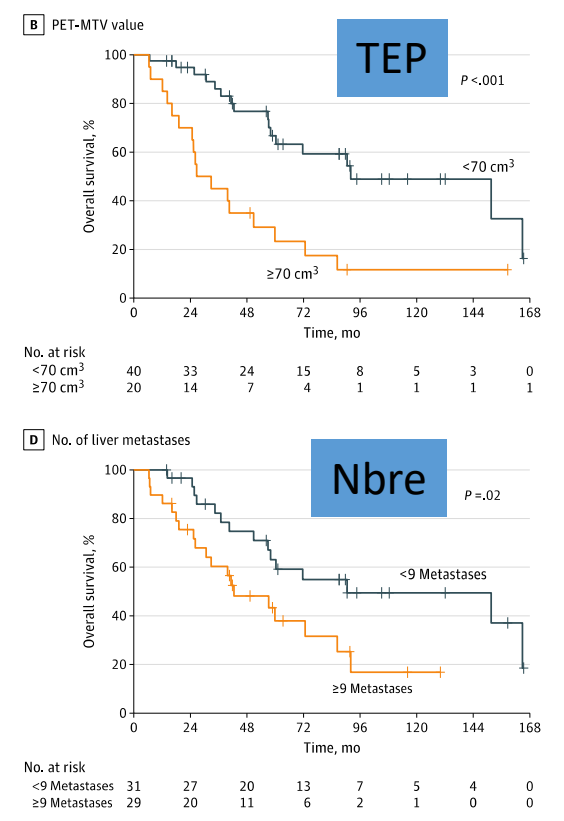
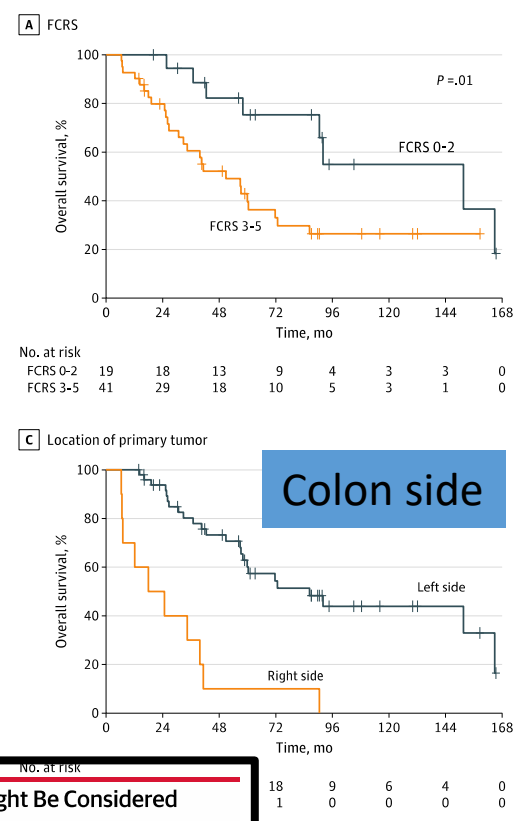
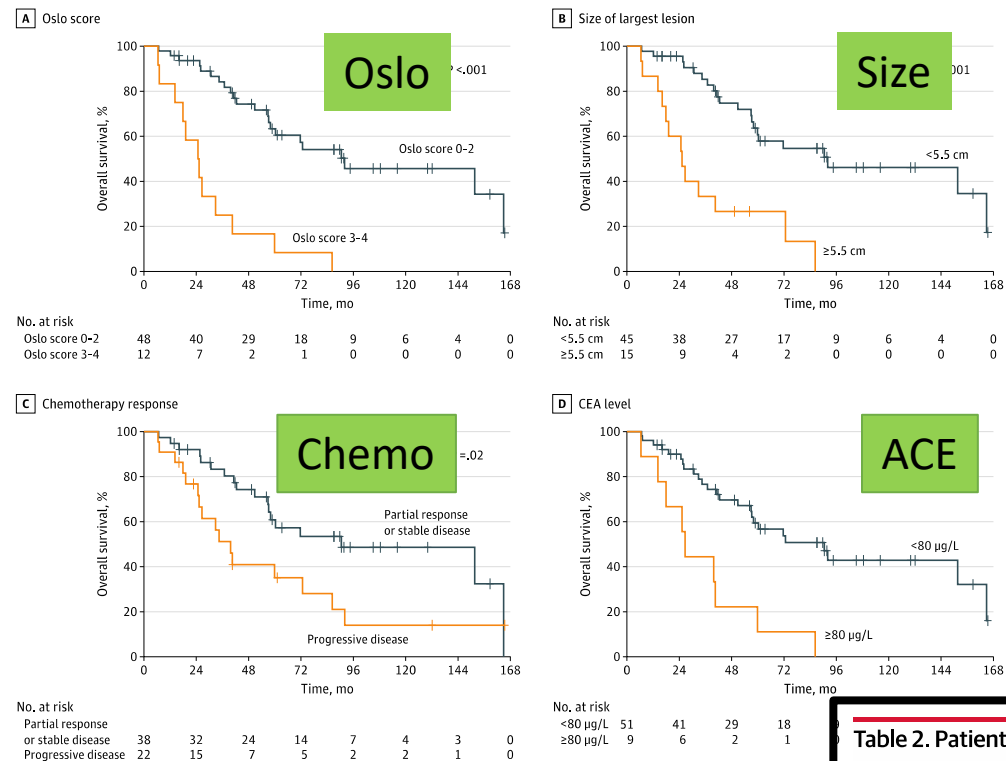


Table 2. Patients With Colorectal Cancer Who Might Be Considered for Liver Transplant (LT)

	No. of patients	Estimated 5-y survival
Very good prognosis after LT		
Metachronous disease (more than 12 mo from diagnosis of the primary tumor to detection of liver metastases)	5	100%
Time from diagnosis to LT >3 y	9	100%
Oslo score 0	10	88.9%
Fong Clinical Risk Score 1	5	100%
Good prognosis after liver transplant		
PET-MTV value <70 cm³	40	66.7%
Oslo score 1	27	54.7%
Fong Clinical Risk Score 2	16	63.9%
Tumor Burden score, group 2 (score of 3-9)	25	72.3%

Abbreviations: MTV, metabolic tumor volume; PET, positron emission tomography.

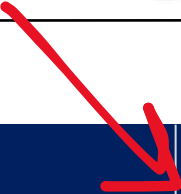
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Etudes randomisées TH + chimiothérapie vs. chimiothérapie seule

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Etude	TRANSMET <i>France</i> NCT02597348	SECA 3 <i>Norvège</i> NCT03494946	SOULMATE <i>Suède</i> NCT04161092
Groupes	TH+C vs C	TH+C vs C	TH+C vs C
Greffon	Cadavérique	Cadavérique	A critères élargis
N	94	30	45
Inclusion	Terminée	En cours	En cours
Principal objectif	Survie globale à 5 ans	Survie globale	Survie globale à 5 ans

Liver Transplantation and Chemotherapy versus Chemotherapy alone in patients with definitively unresectable colorectal liver metastases : results from a prospective, multicentre, randomised trial (TransMet)

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TransMet Trial : Study Design

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Patient Selection by each Center Tumor Board

Validation by an independent multidisciplinary expert committee

Randomisation

LT+C arm

C alone arm

Transplant Waiting list

Continuation of chemotherapy

Prioritisation → LT ≤ 2 Months after last Chemo

Adam et al, eClinical Medicine 2024

157 patients submitted to the Validation committee

63 non eligible (40%)

- 13: Not unresectable
- 36: Tumor Progression
- 5: >3 lines Chemo
- 9: Other

94 patients randomized

47 pts assigned to (LT+C) in ITT

47 pts assigned to (C) in ITT

11 = No assigned Tt

- 9 no LT : progression
- 1 LT on progression
- 1 LT > 3 Mo from Chemo

9 = No assigned Tt

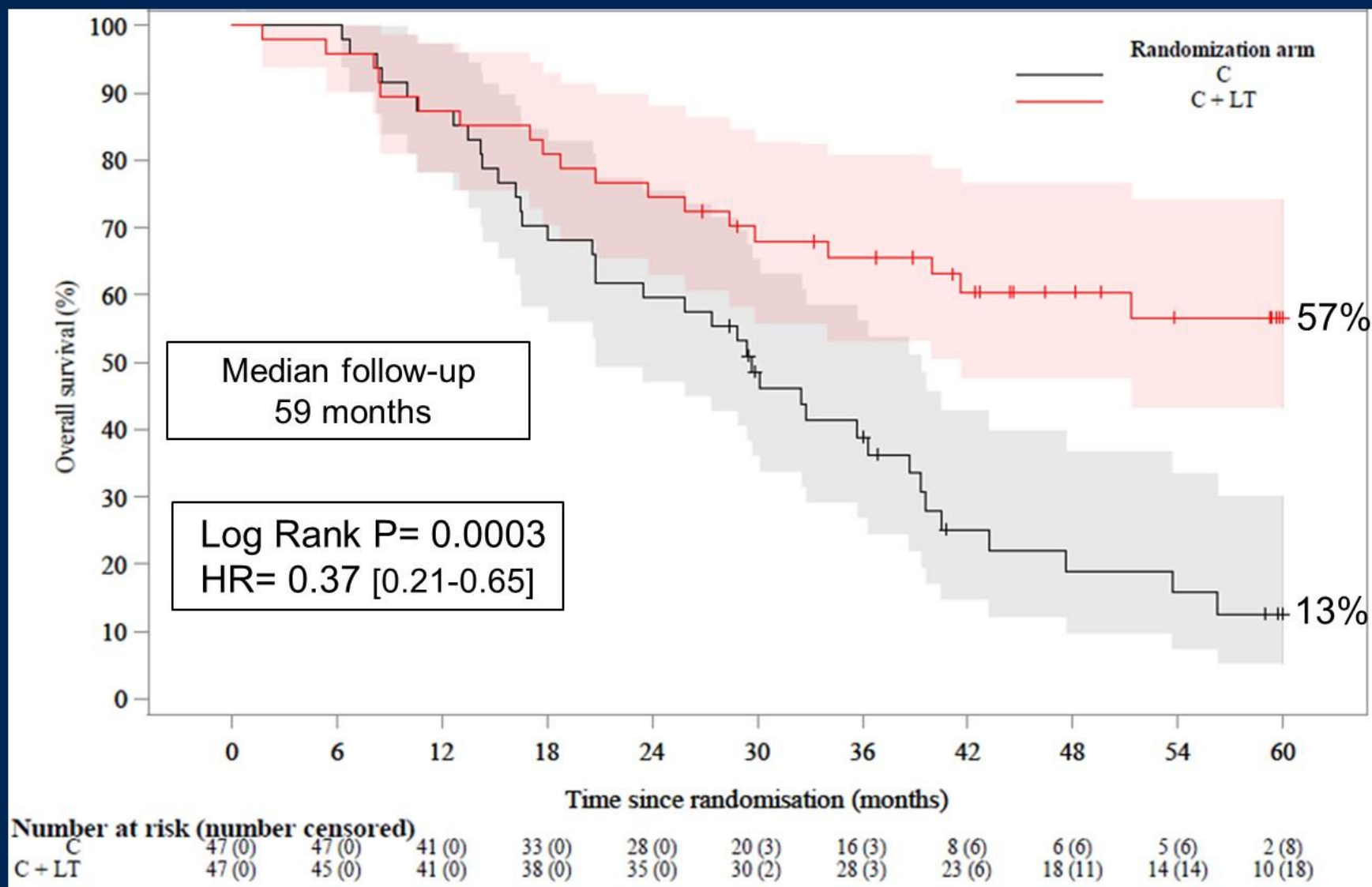
- 2 LT out of protocol
- 7 Liver Resection

36 pts included in Per Protocol

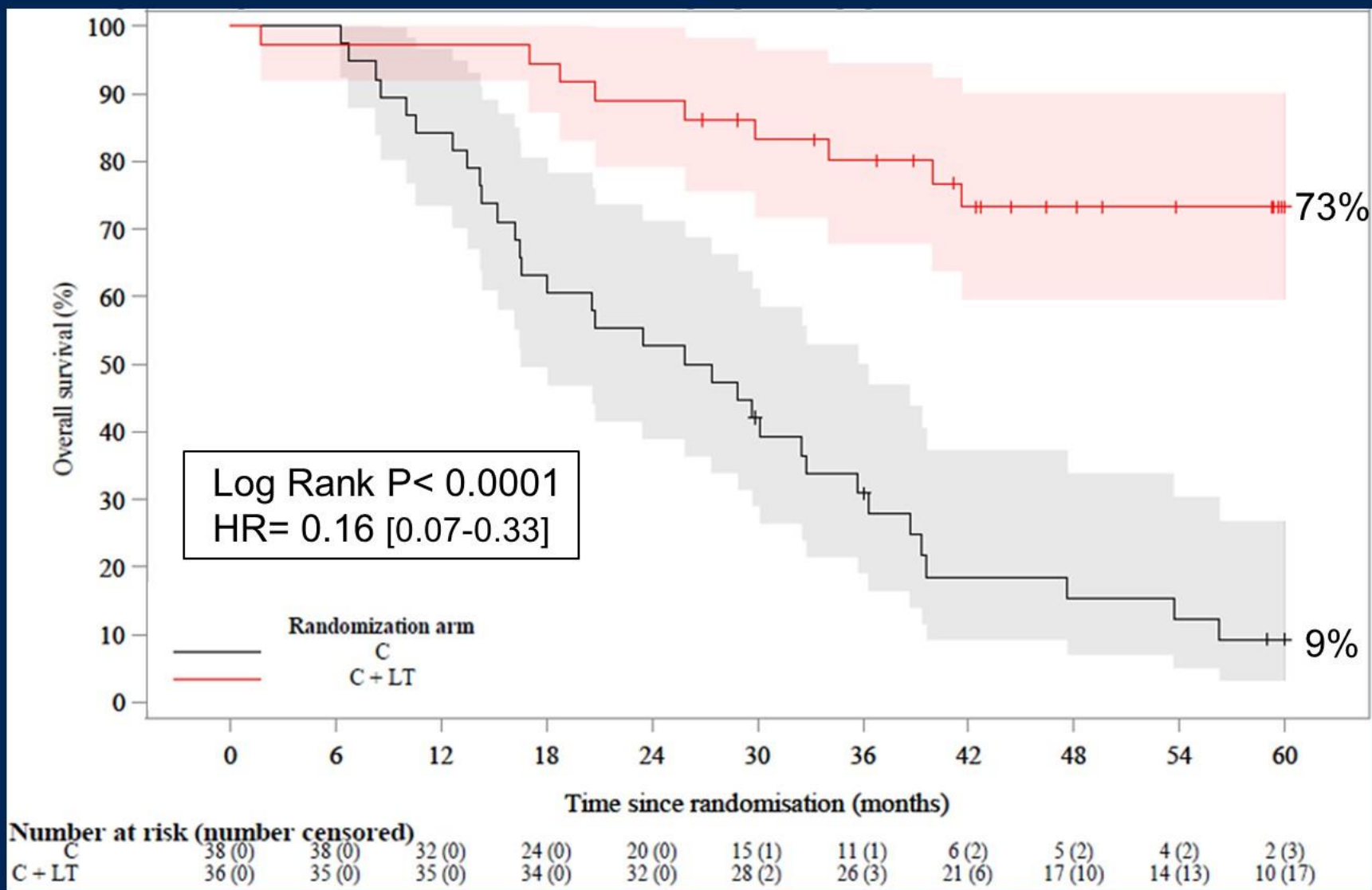
38 pts included in Per Protocol

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TransMet Trial : Primary Endpoint 5-Yr OS (ITT)



TransMet Trial : Primary Endpoint 5-Yr OS (Per Protocol)



TransMet Trial : **Recurrence (LT+C) or Progression (C)**

Per Protocol population

36 Patients (LT+C)

38 Patients (C)

26 Recurrence (72%)

37 Progression (97%)

- Liver (1)
- Lungs (14)**
- Lymph N (3)
- Other (5)
- Multiple (3)

Surgery or Ablation : 12/26 (46%)

New Regimen Chemotherapy

15 Patients **NED (42%)**

Median FU: 50 Mo

1 Patient **NED (3%)**

SURGICAL PERSPECTIVE

The Development of Transplant Oncology May Worsen the Liver Gap and Needs New Technical Options in Liver Transplantation

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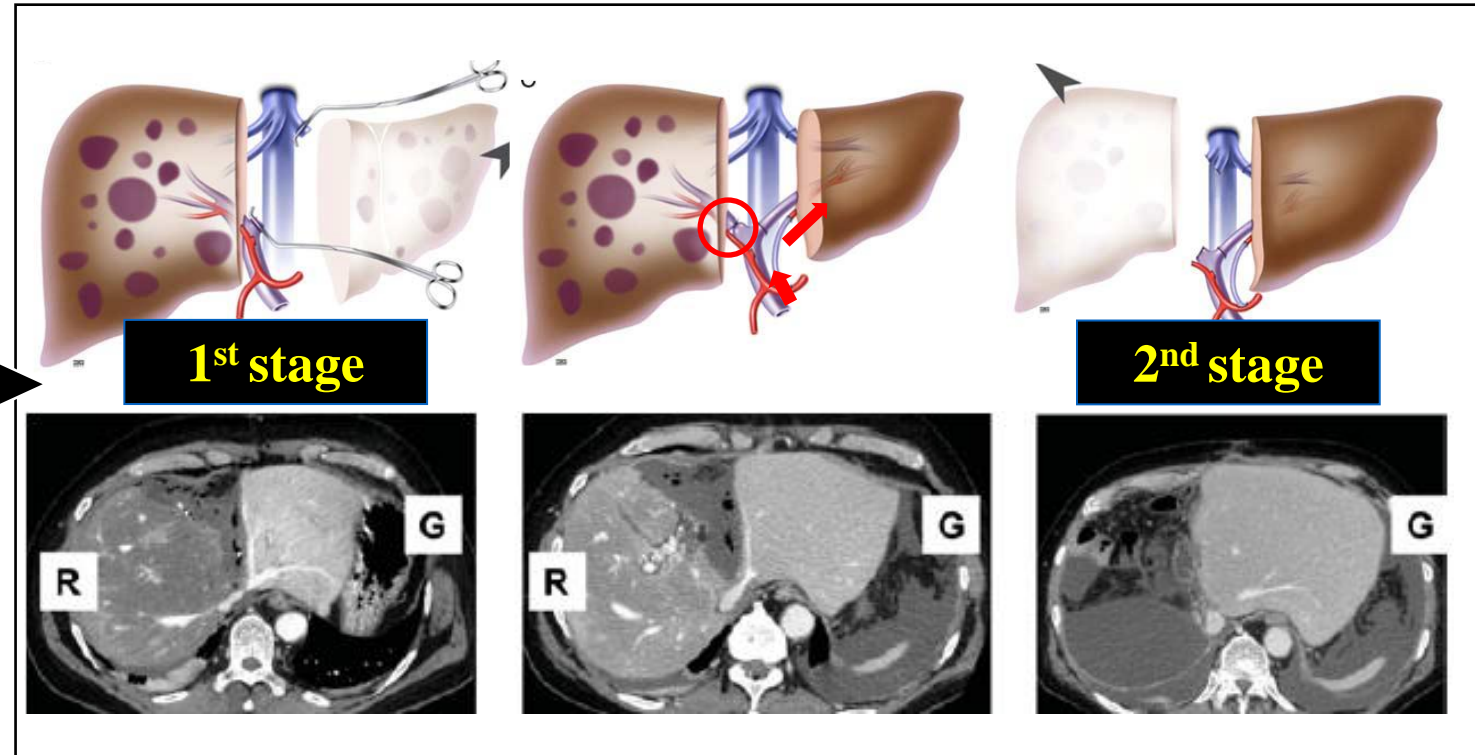
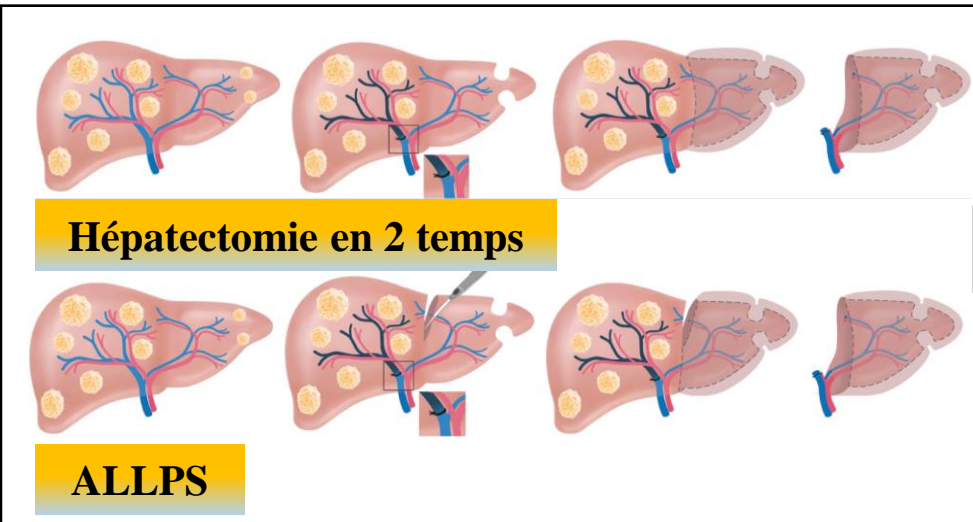
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- ✓ We add a new indication
 - ✓ While there is a lack of graft

« RAPID » for liver mets

A Novel Concept for Partial Liver Transplantation
in Nonresectable Colorectal Liver Metastases

The RAPID Concept

2015
Cadaveric LLS graft



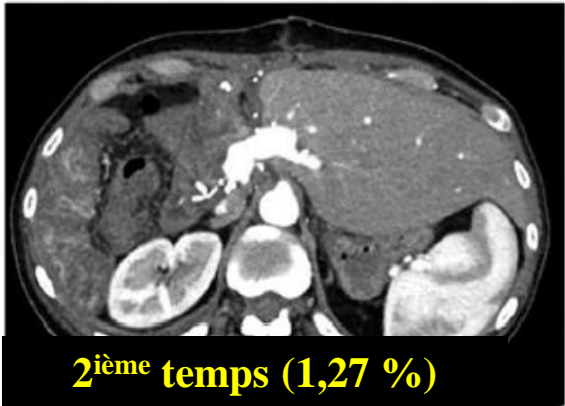
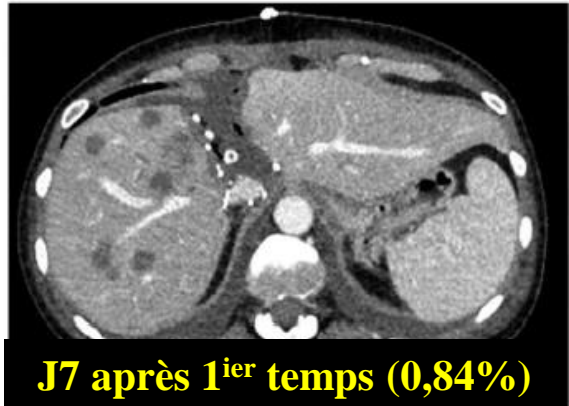
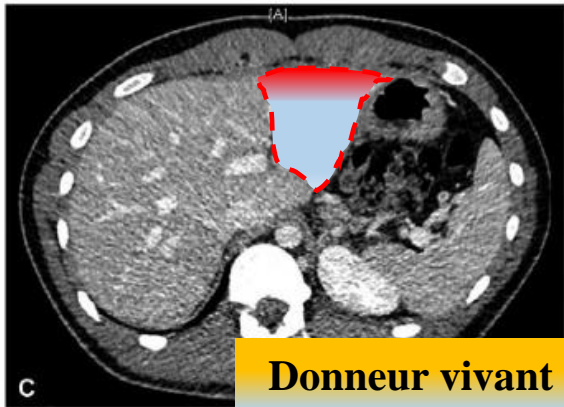
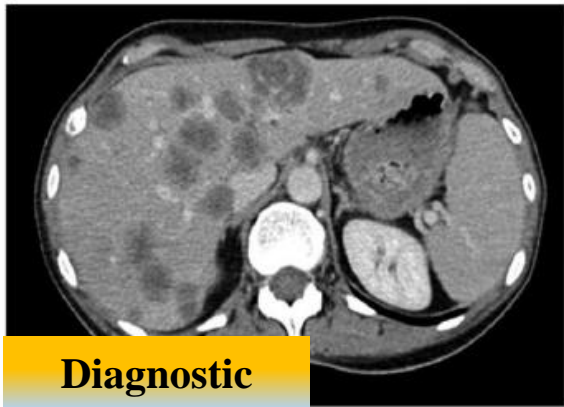
« Deportalization » of the native liver in order to increase the graft regeneration

« RAPID » for Liver Mets

Paradigm Shift in the Management of Irresectable Colorectal Liver Metastases

Living Donor Auxiliary Partial Orthotopic Liver Transplantation in Combination With Two-stage Hepatectomy (LD-RAPID)

2018
Living donor LLS



LLS in the donor

Auxiliary Liver Transplantation According to the RAPID Procedure in Noncirrhotic Patients

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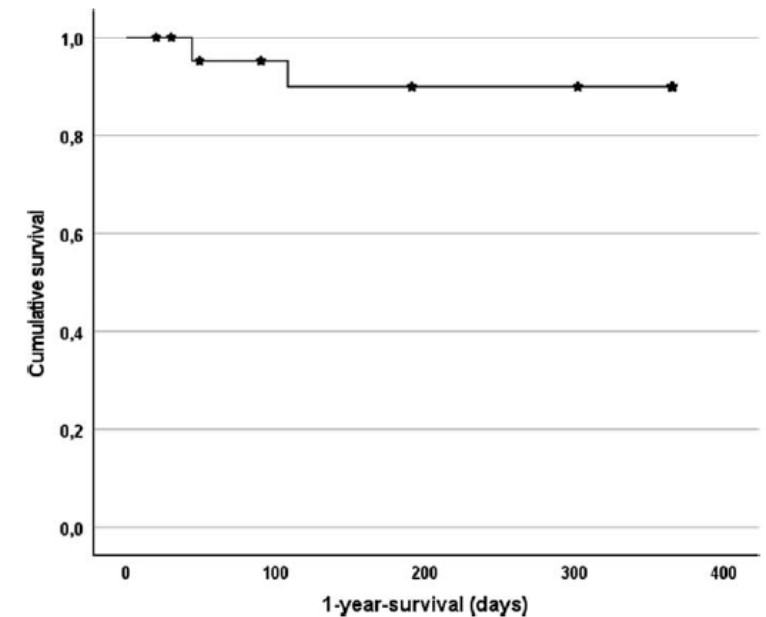
RAPID sur foie non cirrhotique

- 6 centres, 2015-2022
- N = 23
- Laparotomy / living donor



- **Vivant, n=20, cadav, n=3**
- **Lobe gche, n=16; F gche, n=7**
- **MHCCR, n = 21**

Délai entre les 2 temps	14 jours (10-60)
Pas de 2 ^{ième} temps	4,3% (n=1) Thrombose porte
Mortalité donneur	0%
Morbidité donneur	4,3% (n=1) Plaie biliaire
Mortalité	4,3% (n=1) DMV après TAH J 44
Morbidité sévère (≥IIIb)	43,5% (n=10) Fistule biliaire++



Liver transplantation for non-resectable colorectal liver metastases: the International Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association consensus guidelines

(3) Graft selection and allocation

Organ allocation and waitlist prioritisation

Statement 30

The decision regarding the type of graft used for liver transplantation for non-colorectal liver metastases should be made ideally at the national organ allocation level or at least by the transplant centre. National organ availability, waiting list mortality, and centre-specific post-operative outcomes after liver transplantation should be considered

Expanding the deceased donor pool

Statement 33

Novel surgical techniques, such as deceased donor RAPID and living donor RAPID, show promise for expansion of the donor pool; however, long-term oncological outcomes are unclear

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Living donor liver transplantation for non-colorectal liver metastases

Statement 34

Living donor liver transplantation in the setting of non-colorectal liver metastases should be done in centres with perioperative and long-term recipient and donor outcomes that are acceptable by international benchmarks, preferably within a prospective controlled trial. The morphology of the living donor graft (including graft-to-recipient weight ratio, vascular and biliary anatomy, steatosis, and future liver remnant) should meet the safe acceptable criteria of the transplanting centres

Organ allocation for re-transplantation

Statement 35

Re-transplantation for early graft failure with standard donation after brain death grafts might be considered in accordance with national or centre-specific organ allocation criteria for liver transplantation. Where these criteria are not met, re-transplantation with extended criteria or living donor grafts might be considered on the basis of centre expertise. This practice might therefore vary between countries and regions worldwide

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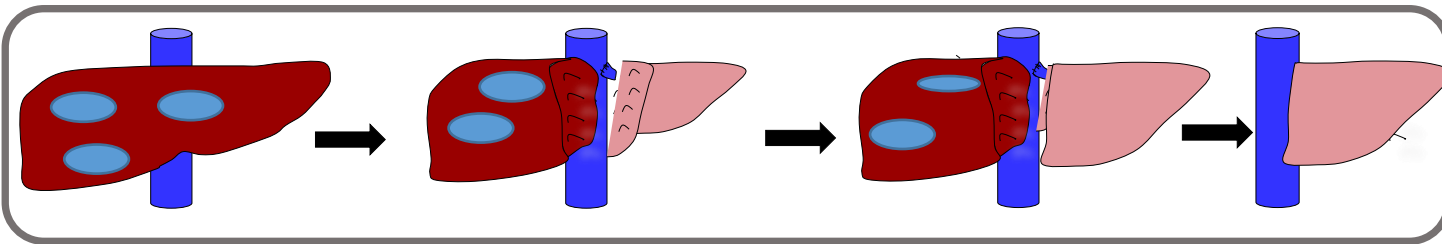
RAPID.SURGERY

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RAPID recommendations in the setting of no portal hypertension



**NO- PORTAL HYPERTENSION
METASTATIC LIVER CANCER**

Coordinator : Scatton O

Expert Panel: Daniel Azoulay, Deniz Balci, Albert Chan, Karim Halazun, Ki Hun Kim, Pal-Dag Line

Preoperative measures	Vote	QOE	GOR
4. What are the indications for RAPID? Which preoperative assessment modalities best identify patients suitable for RAPID in the setting of portal vs. no portal hypertension?			
4a. The indications of RAPID for Colorectal and Neuroendocrine Liver Metastases, should be according to the current recommendations of liver transplantation without expanding the indications based on easier access to a graft.	88.3%	Low	Strong
4b. Living donor RAPID, in the absence of recipient portal hypertension can be considered, when the only donor available would offer only a small for size graft.	83.3%	Very Low	Weak
4c. Given that the primary indication of RAPID is colorectal and neuroendocrine liver metastases, it is recommended to conduct a detailed transplant evaluation in conjunction with a comprehensive oncological assessment according to international guidelines.	86.5%	Very Low	Strong
4d. RAPID represents a treatment strategy for patients, irrespective of portal hypertension or the presence of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).	67.5%	Low	Weak
4e. The first stage of RAPID encompasses a left hepatectomy to create sufficient space for the graft. The functional volume of the native liver remnant should be adequate according to the current recommendations for liver resection.	81.4%	Low	Weak

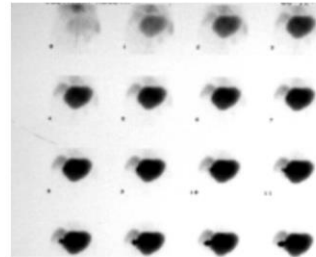
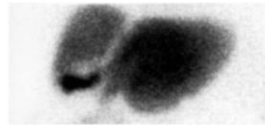
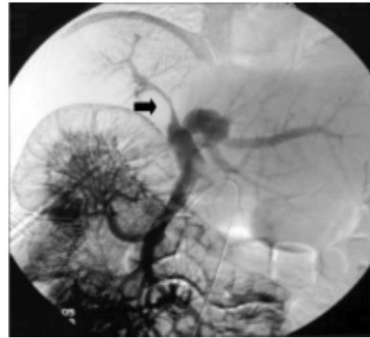
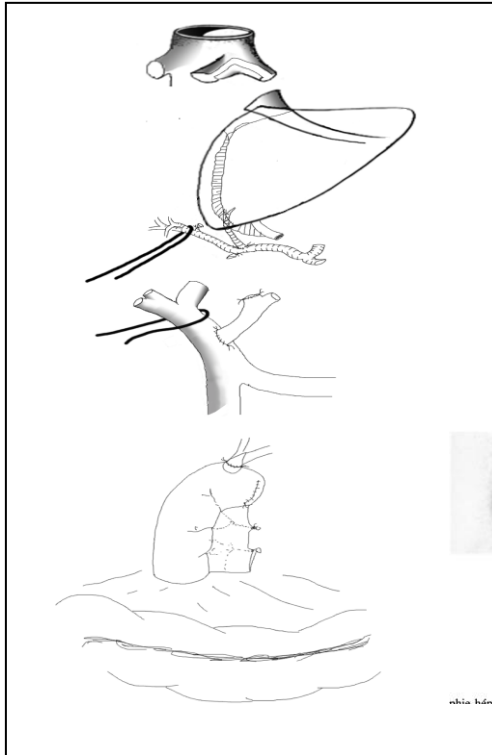
APOLT and RAPID...

CAS CLINIQUE

Transplantation auxiliaire pour cirrhose Une alternative possible pour l'utilisation de greffons de petit poids ?

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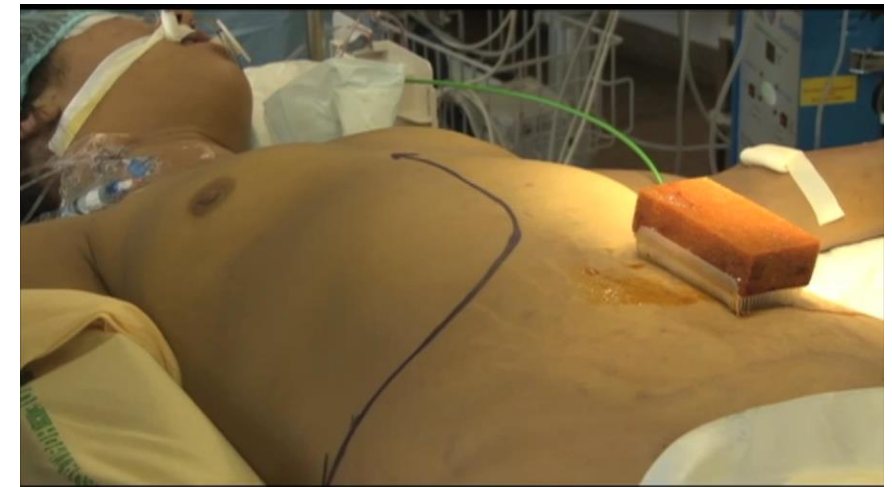
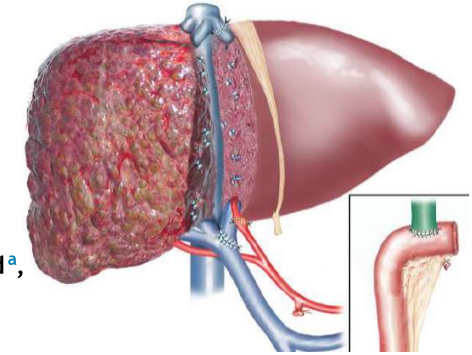


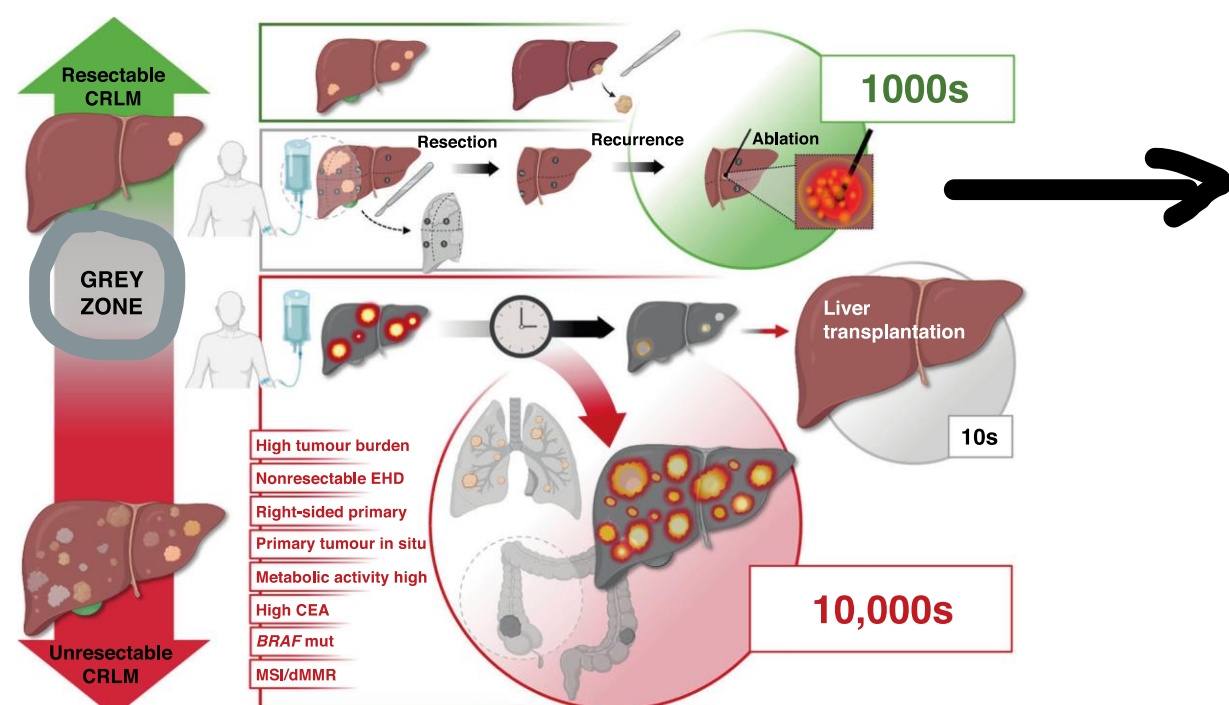
Scintigraphie Tc-99m IDA montrant une accumulation du traceur dans la greffe auxiliaire. Cette accumulation doit être de 75%

Dissection far from the Hilum
Lateral implantation PV
Open avenues for small graft from cadaver split

Two-stage liver transplantation using auxiliary laparoscopically harvested grafts in adults: Emphasizing the concept of "hypersmall graft nursing"

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Oslo score 0 to 4

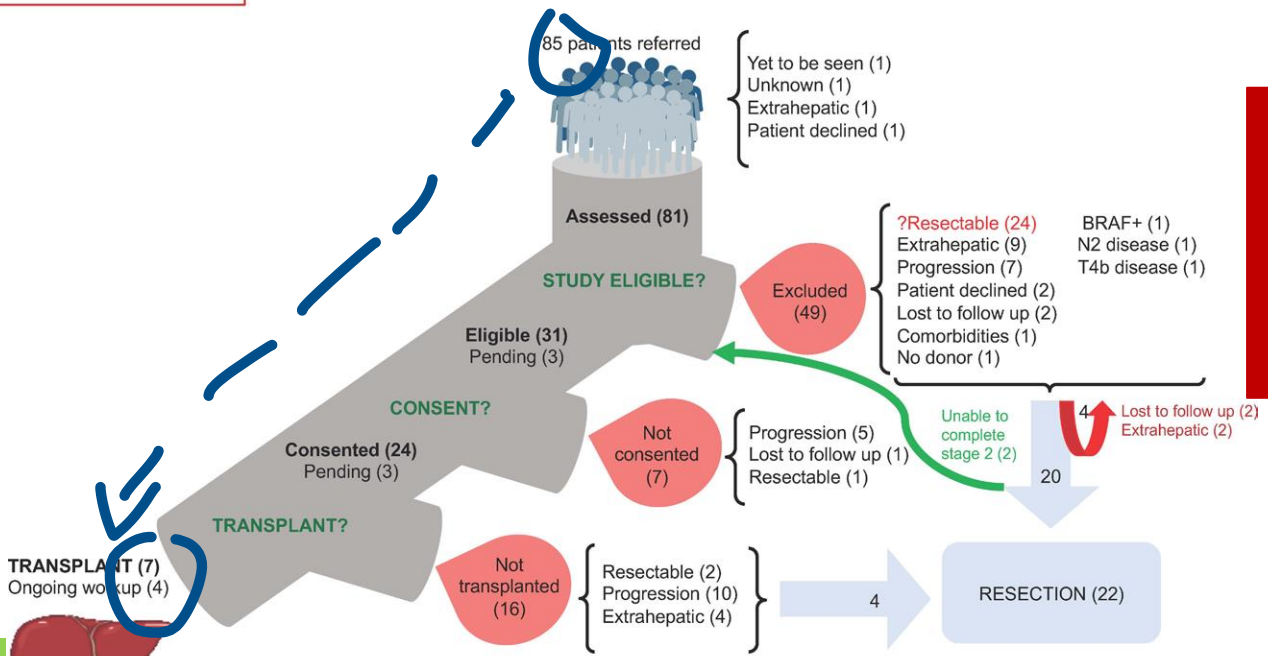
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TEP scanner
Colon Gauche
BRAF neg
2 ligne de chimio

British Journal of Cancer Kjetil Søreide^{1,2,3}

Grey zone

Small box

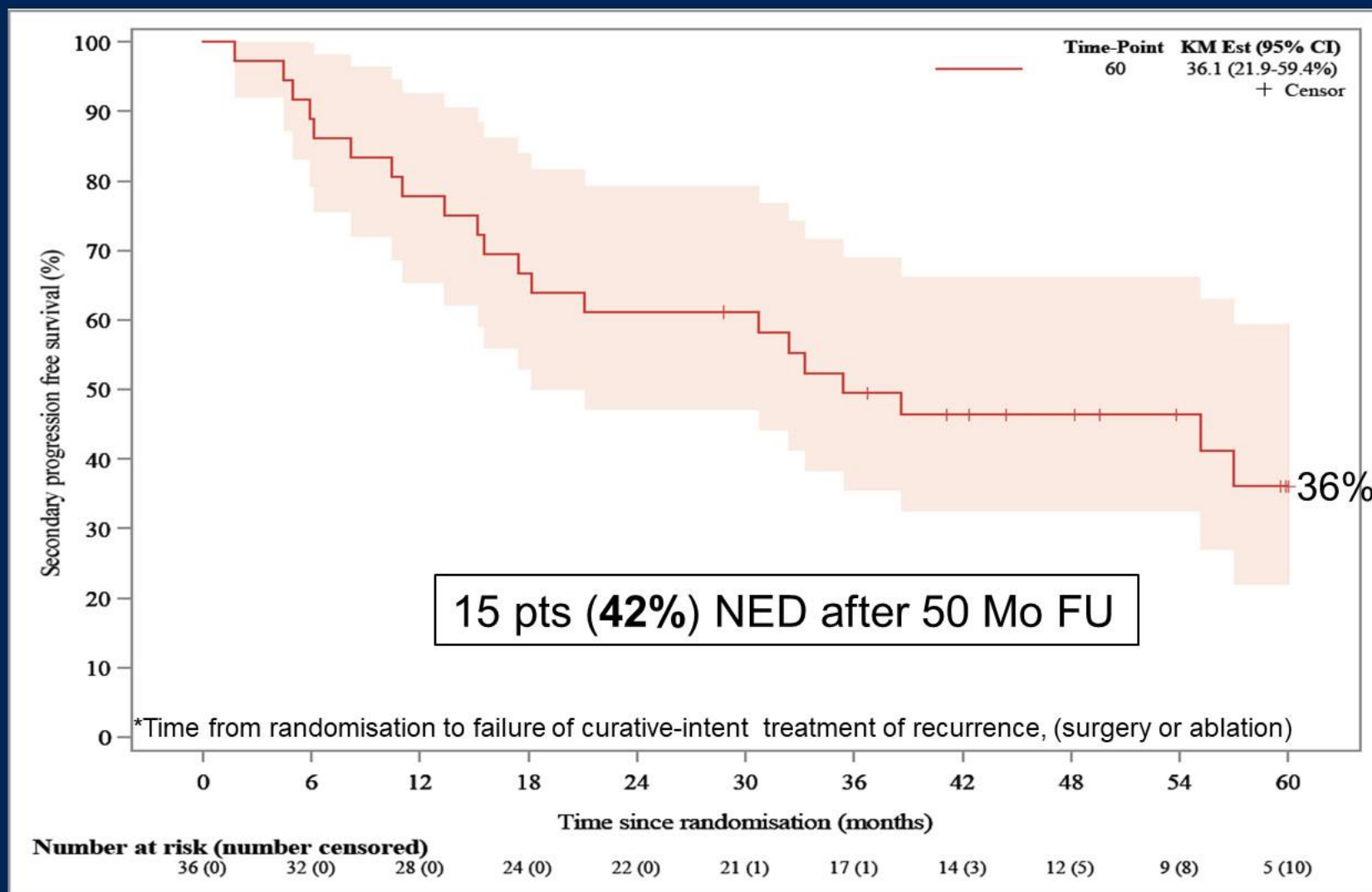


Donor pool !
LDLT
RAPID
DCD
DBD marginal machine

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Toronto Management of Initially Unresectable Liver Metastasis from Colorectal Cancer in a Living Donor Liver Transplant Program Luckshi Rajendran, MD, MEd,

TransMet Trial : 5-Yr PFS* after Rescue Surgery in LT+C group



Take Home messages from the TransMet trial

- Liver Transplantation + Chemotherapy significantly improves OS and PFS in selected patients with unresectable colorectal liver metastases compared to C alone
- These results were obtained through a rigorous patient selection and a prioritization for organ allocation
- Transplanted patients for CLM have similar survival (73% at 5 years) as those transplanted for established LT indications
- LT +C offers a potential of cure to cancer patients with otherwise poor long-term outcome

 These results support LT as a new standard option that could change our practice in treating patients with liver-only, definitively unresectable CLM.

Etudes en cours sur le RAPID pour méta

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Etude	RAPID PADOVA <i>Italie</i> NCT04865471	LIVER(W)OHEAL <i>Allemagne</i> NCT03488953	<i>Norvege</i> NCT02215889	LTLR-LC <i>Chine</i> NCT05750329
Investigateur	Umberto Cillo	Falk Rauchfuss/Utz Settmacher/ Alfred Konigsrainer/Silvio Nadalin	Magnus Snedman	Renji Hospital
Greffon	Cadavérique ou donneur vivant	Donneur vivant	Donneur vivant	?
N	18	40	20	30
Inclusion	En cours	En cours	En cours	Pas encore
Fin des inclusions	Octobre 2025	Décembre 2023	Juin 2028	Décembre 2026
Principal objectif	% de patients ayant eu le temps 2 dans le mois qui suit le temps 1	Survie globale à 3 ans	% de patients ayant eu le temps 2 dans le mois qui suit le temps 1	Survie globale à 3 ans