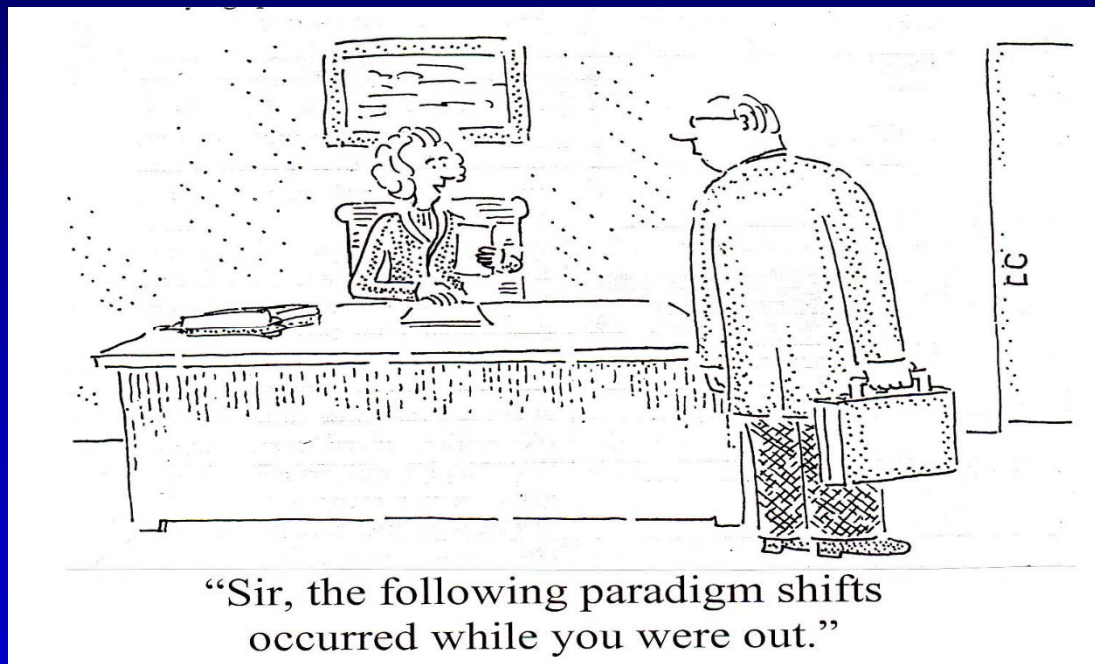


# Advances in the Management of Early Stage Lung Cancer



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# Potential Conflicts of Interest

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- Olympus – member of Data Safety Monitoring Board for study of endobronchial valves for emphysema
- Medela – research grant on chest drainage device
- Chair of ACCP Evidence-Based Lung Cancer Guidelines
- IASCLC Staging and Prognostic Factors Committee  
(Chair of several subcommittees)

# Overview

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- Setting the Stage – How the world is changing
- The Nature of Early Stage Lung Cancer
- GGO – slow down and take a deep breath
- Advances in Surgery
- SBRT – a valuable addition
- Approach to the compromised patient

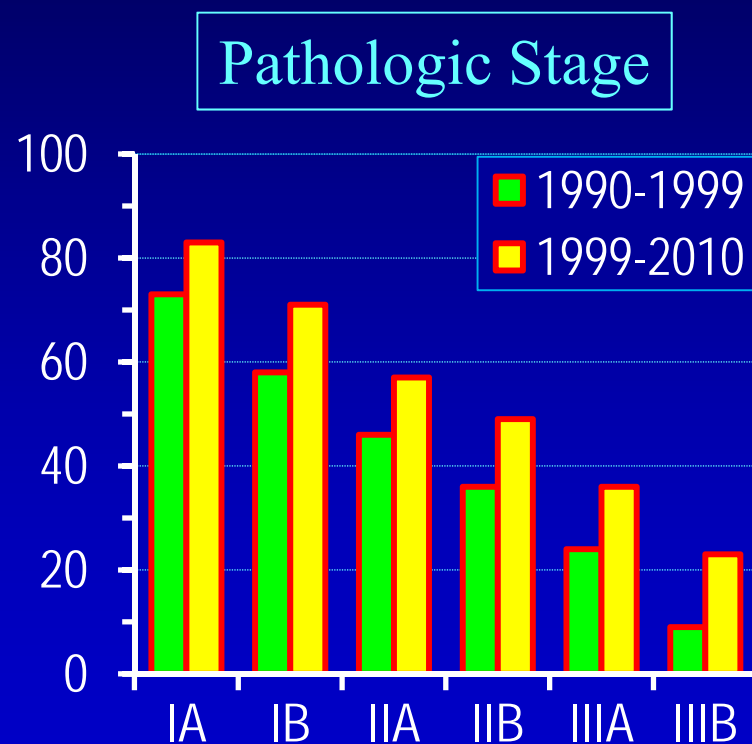
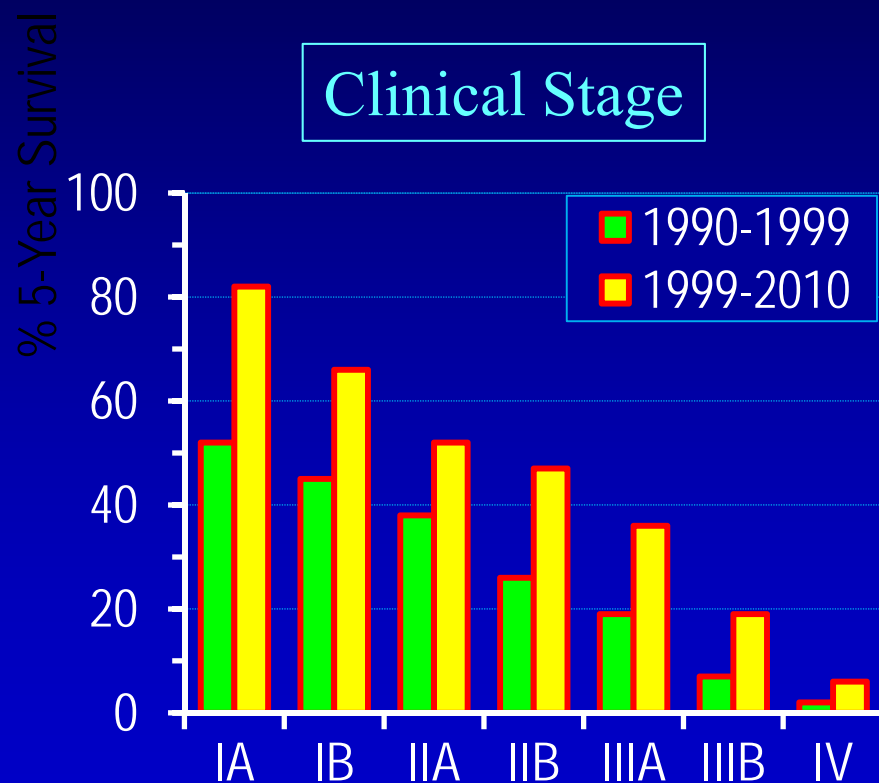
# Setting the Stage: How the world is changing



# Improvement in Survival over Time

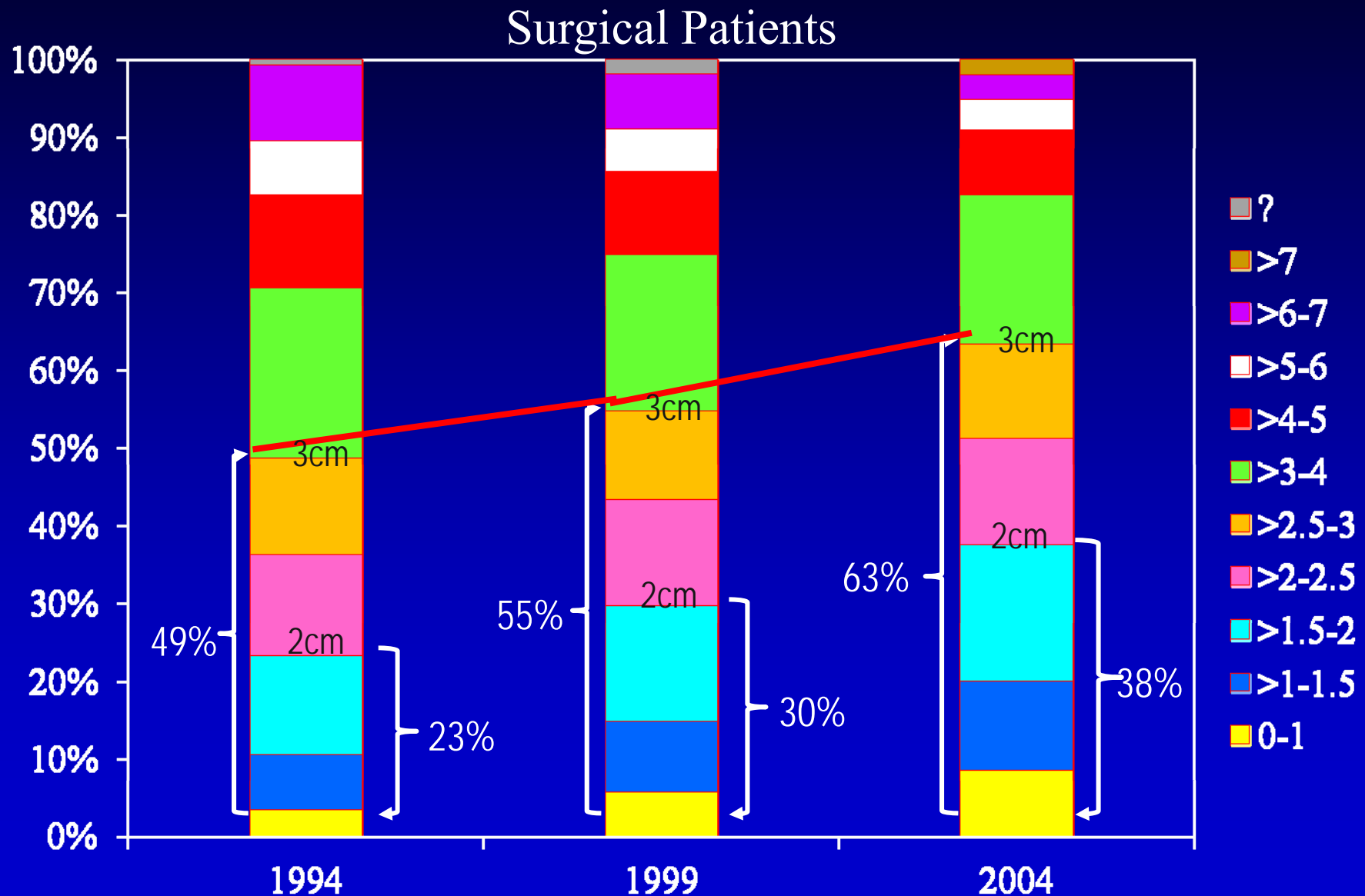
Comparison of Survival in the 1990-1999 vs 1999-2010 Datasets

There has been a major improvement in Survival between the 1990-1999 and the 1999-2010 datasets

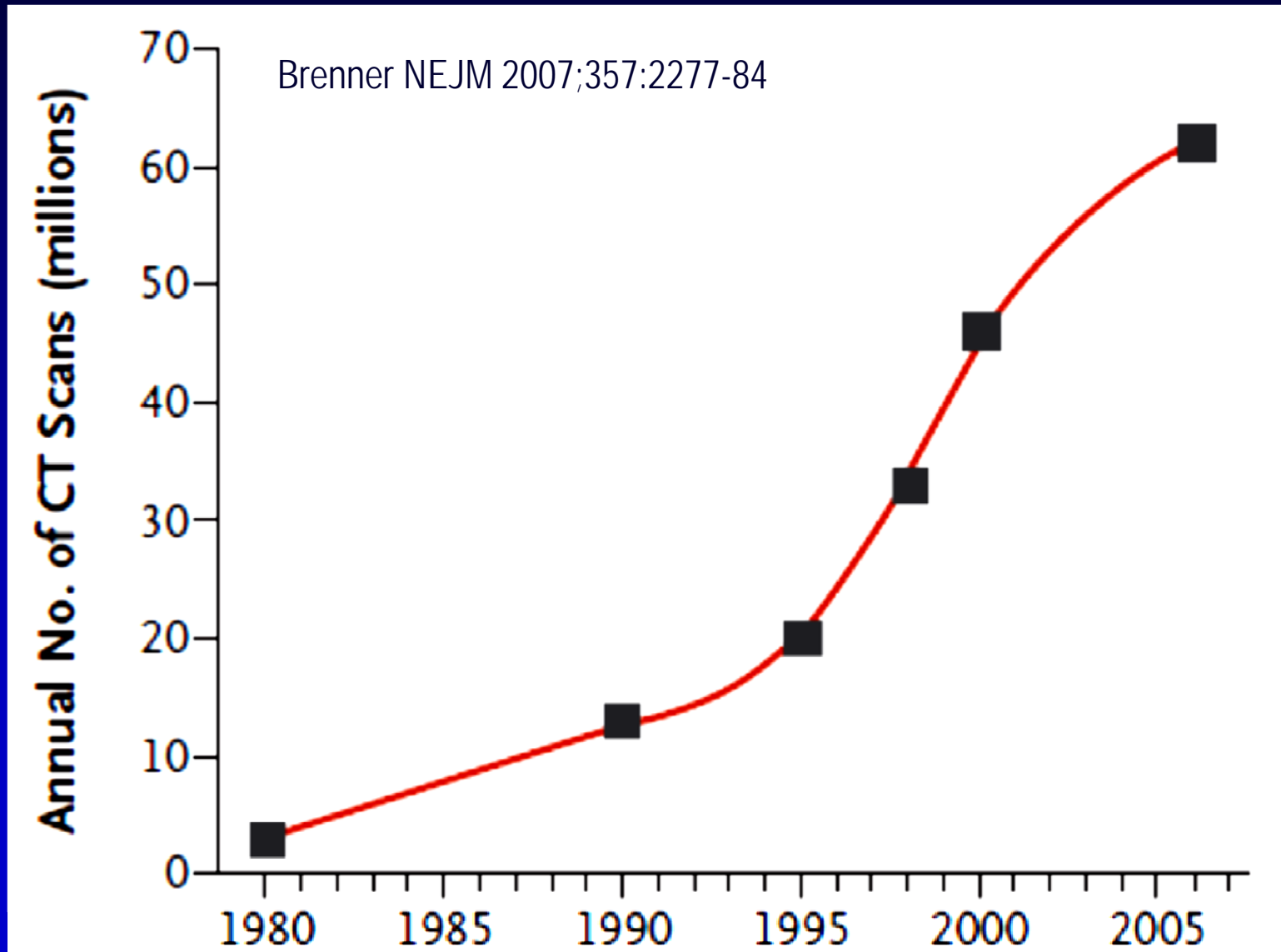


IASLC datasets, using the 7<sup>th</sup> edition classification in both

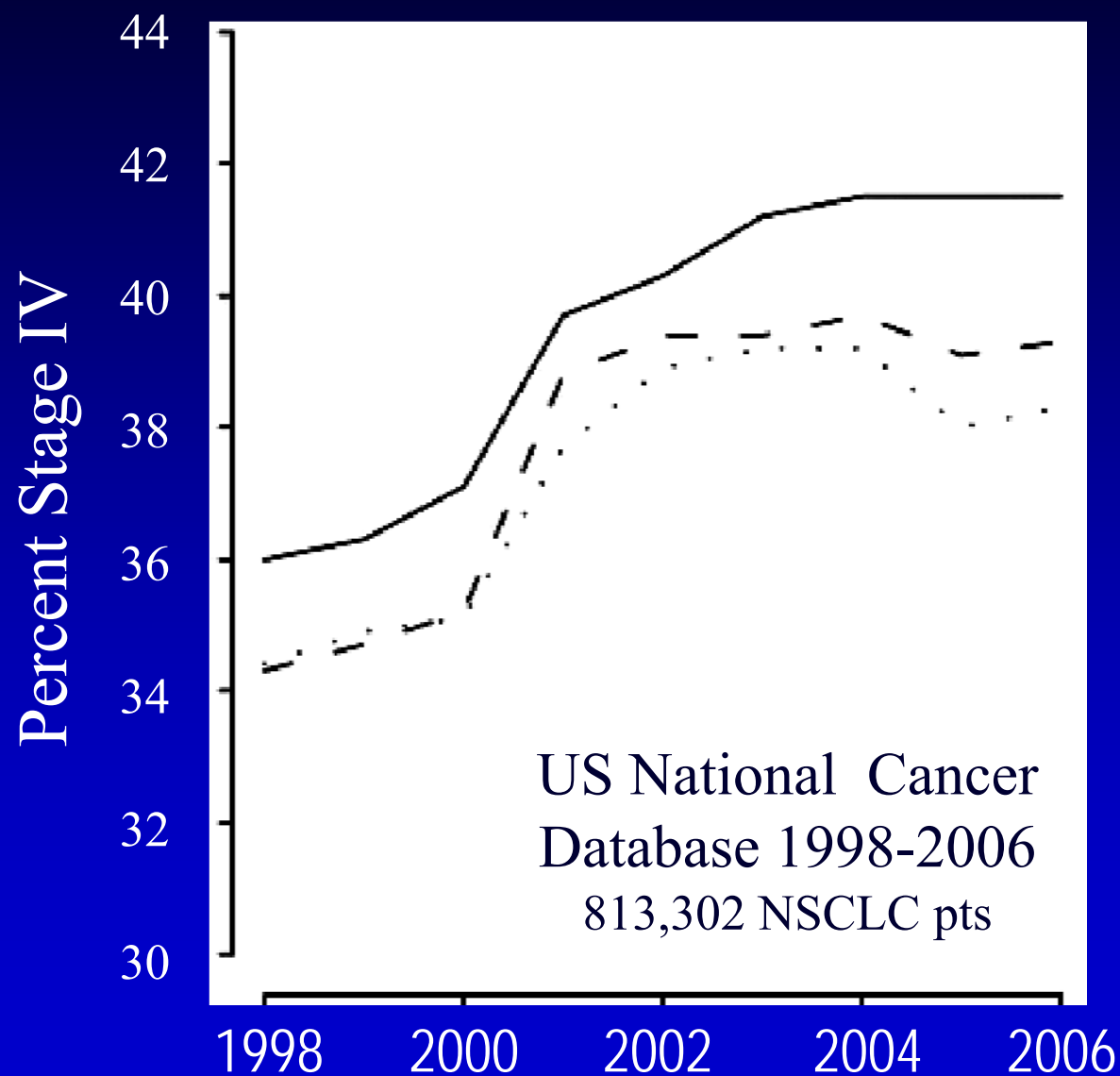
# Changes in Size: Japan Registry



# CT scans performed in US by Year



# Change in Stage IV NSCLC: NCDB



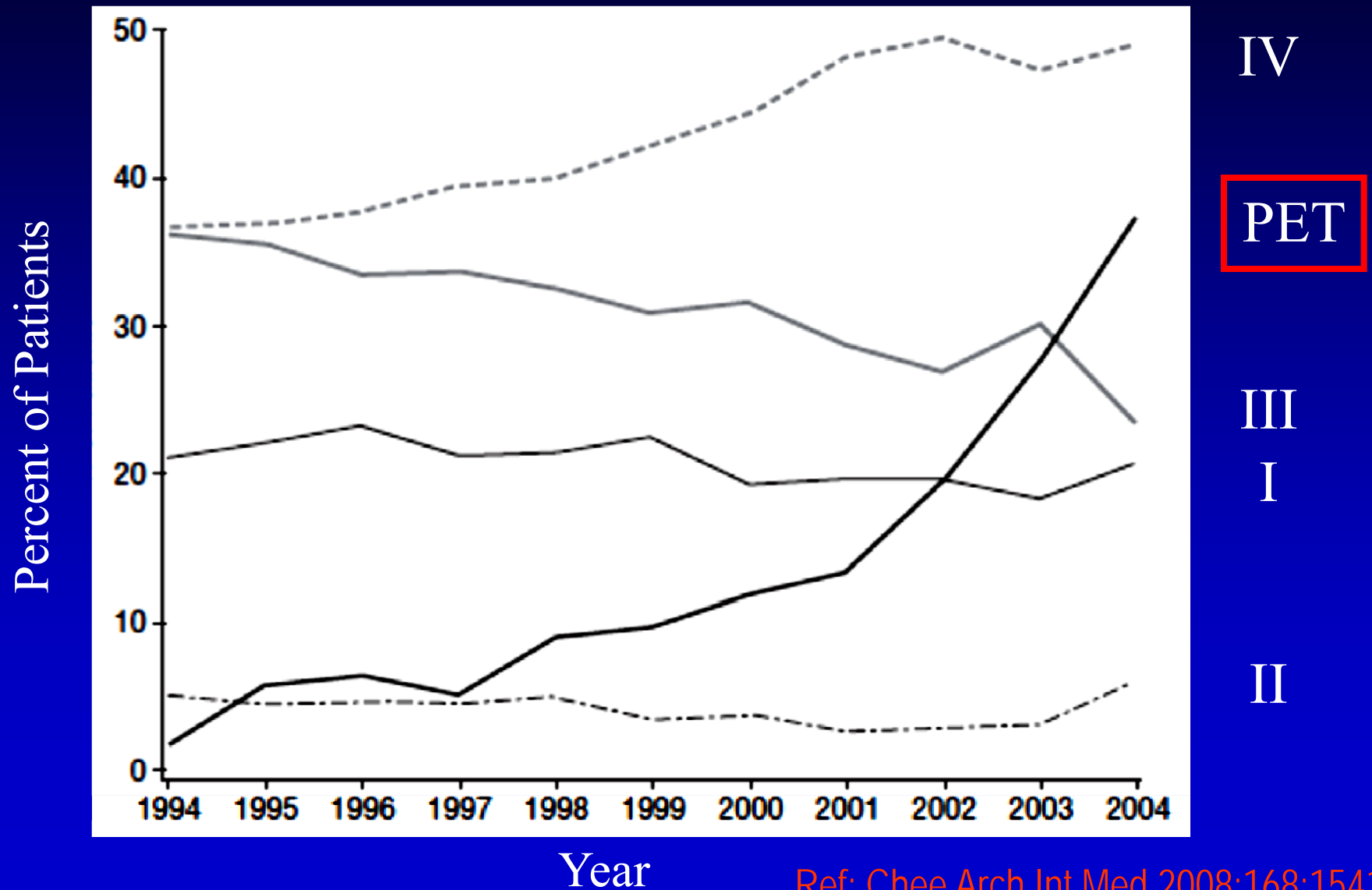
Community Hosp (100-649 Ca/Yr)

Community Hosp (>650 Ca/Yr)

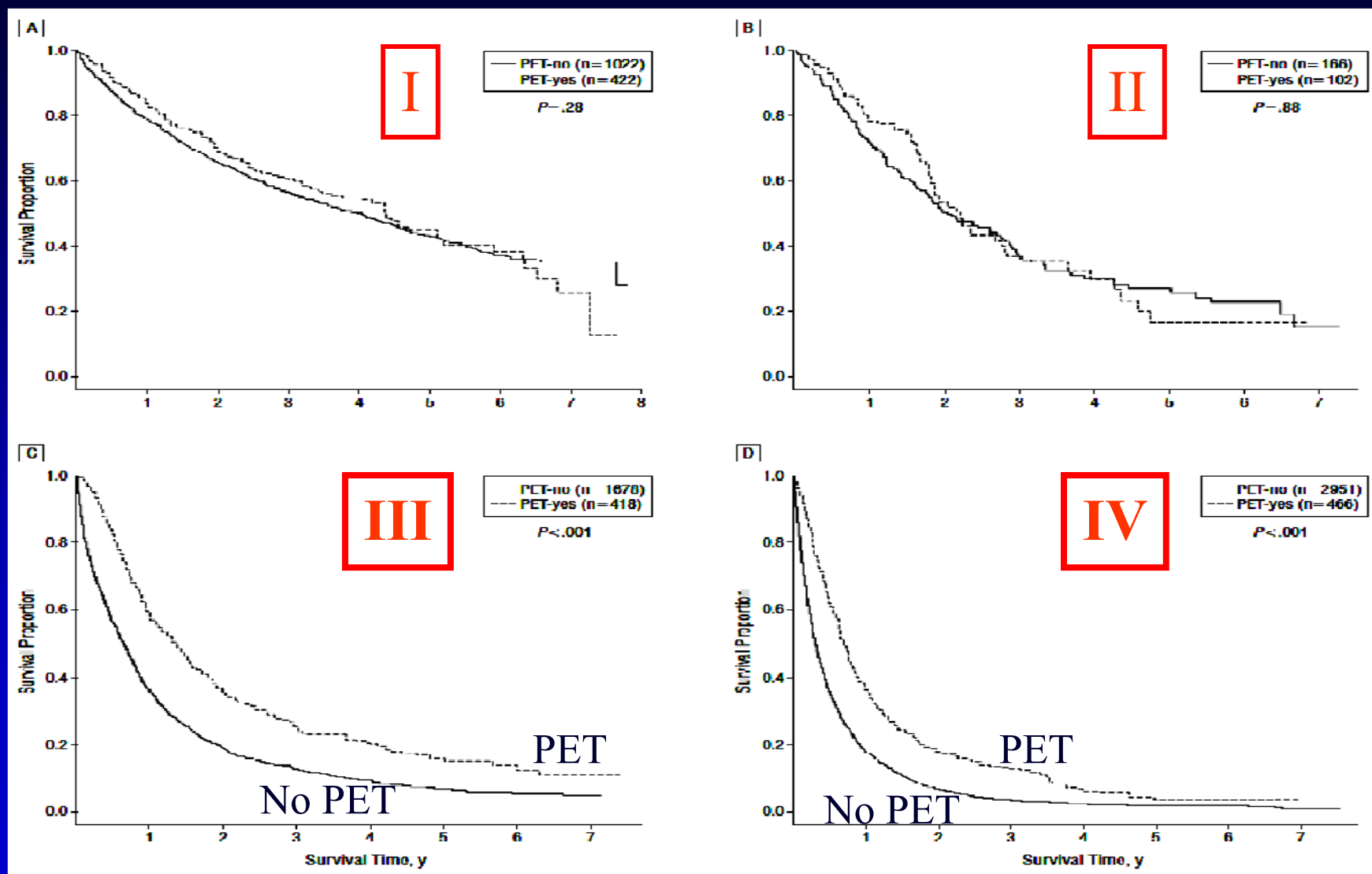
Teaching Hosp Cancer Program

Ref: Morgensztern D et al  
J Thor Onc.2010; 5(1):29-33

# Trends in NSCLC (California Cancer Registry)



# Survival Trends in NSCLC (California Ca Regis)



Survival by PET vs No PET 1999-2004

Ref: Chee Arch Int Med 2008;168:1541-9

# Changing Survival over Time

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## Why?

### Reasons probably include:

- Earlier detection
- Changing spectrum of disease
  - Cohort includes more indolent tumors
- Better staging
- Better treatment modalities
  - Higher cure rate, prolonged survival with incurable Ca
- ↓ inappropriate (or no) treatment
- ↓ competing causes of death

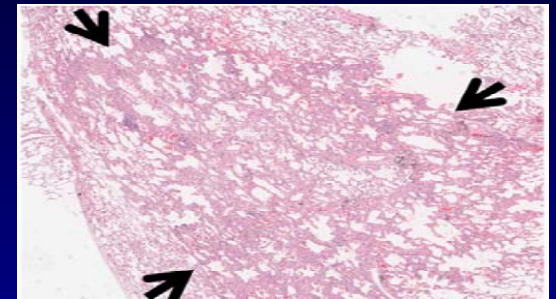
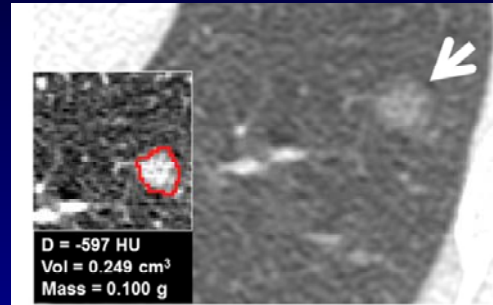
# The Nature of Early Stage Lung Cancer



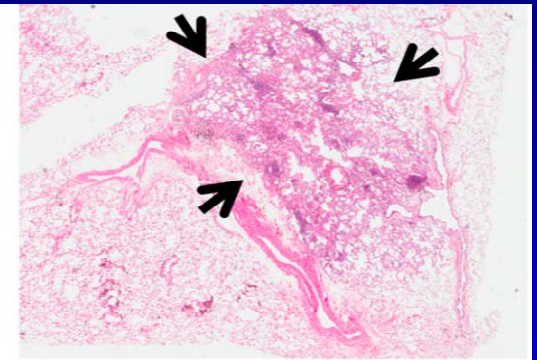
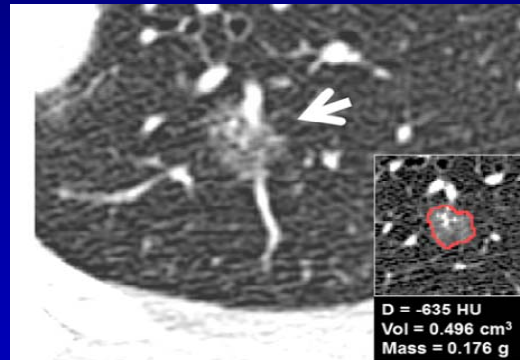
# Adenocarcinoma Subclassification

Atypical Adenomatous Hyperplasia (AAH) – (precancerous lesion)

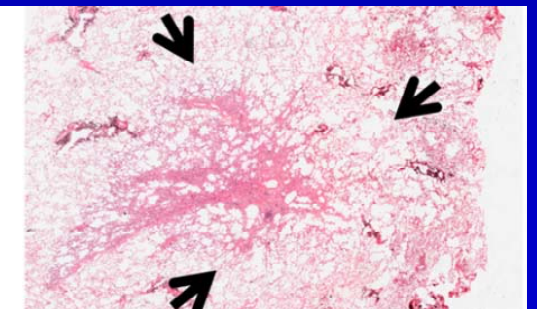
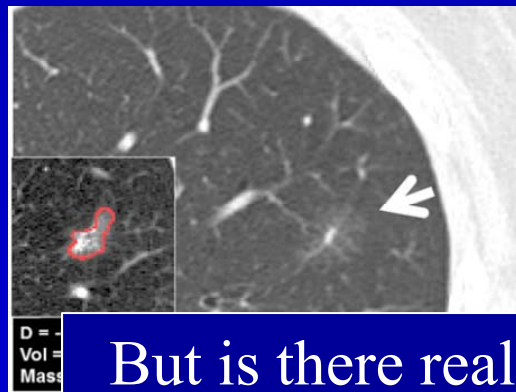
Adenocarcinoma in situ (AIS)



Minimally Invasive Adenocarcinoma (MIA)  
(<5mm invasive component)

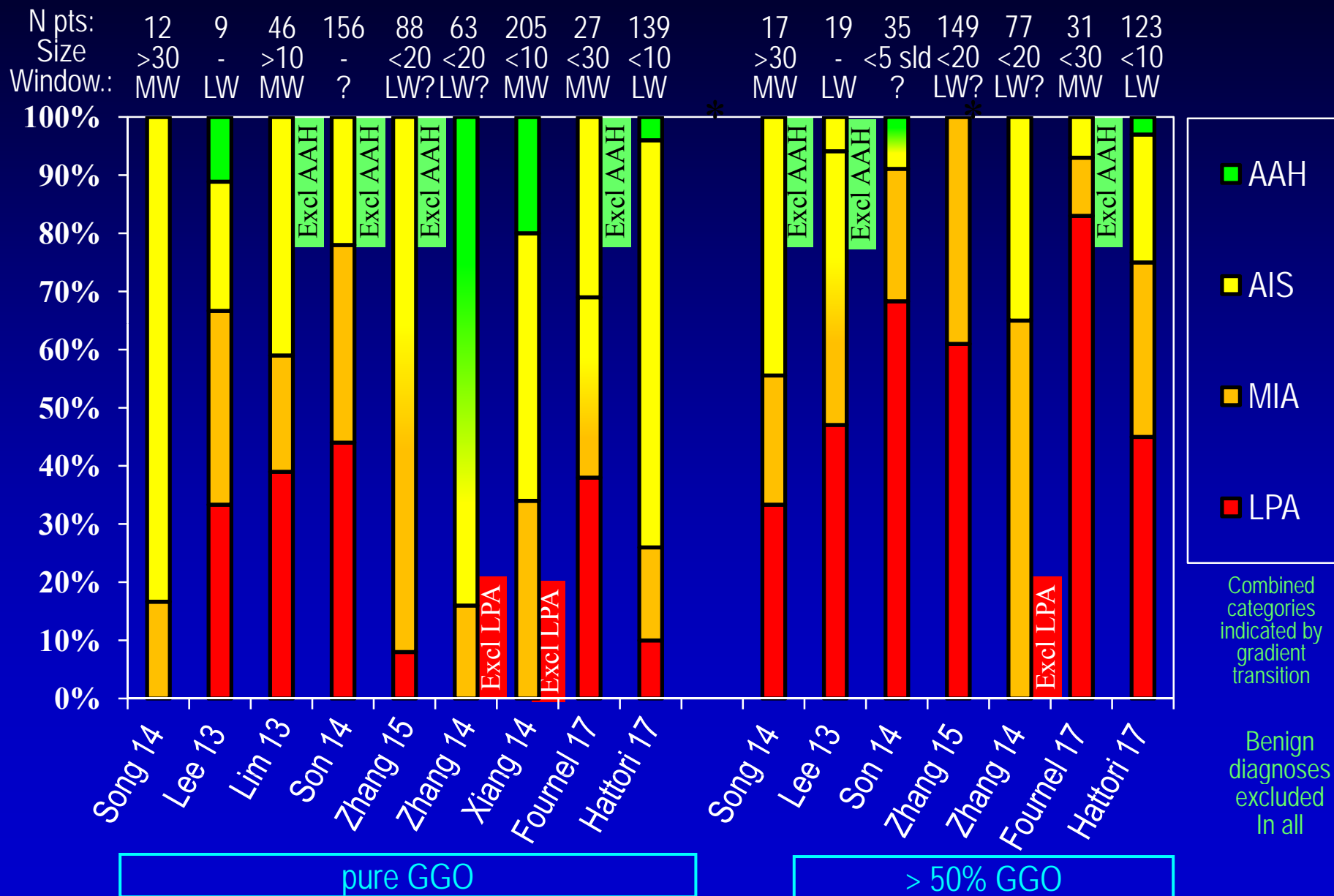


Invasive Adenocarcinoma  
Lepidic, Acinar, Papillary,  
Micropapillary, Solid  
(Usually mixed – shown is Acinar predominant)



But is there really a 1:1 correlation?

# Correlation of CT & Pathology



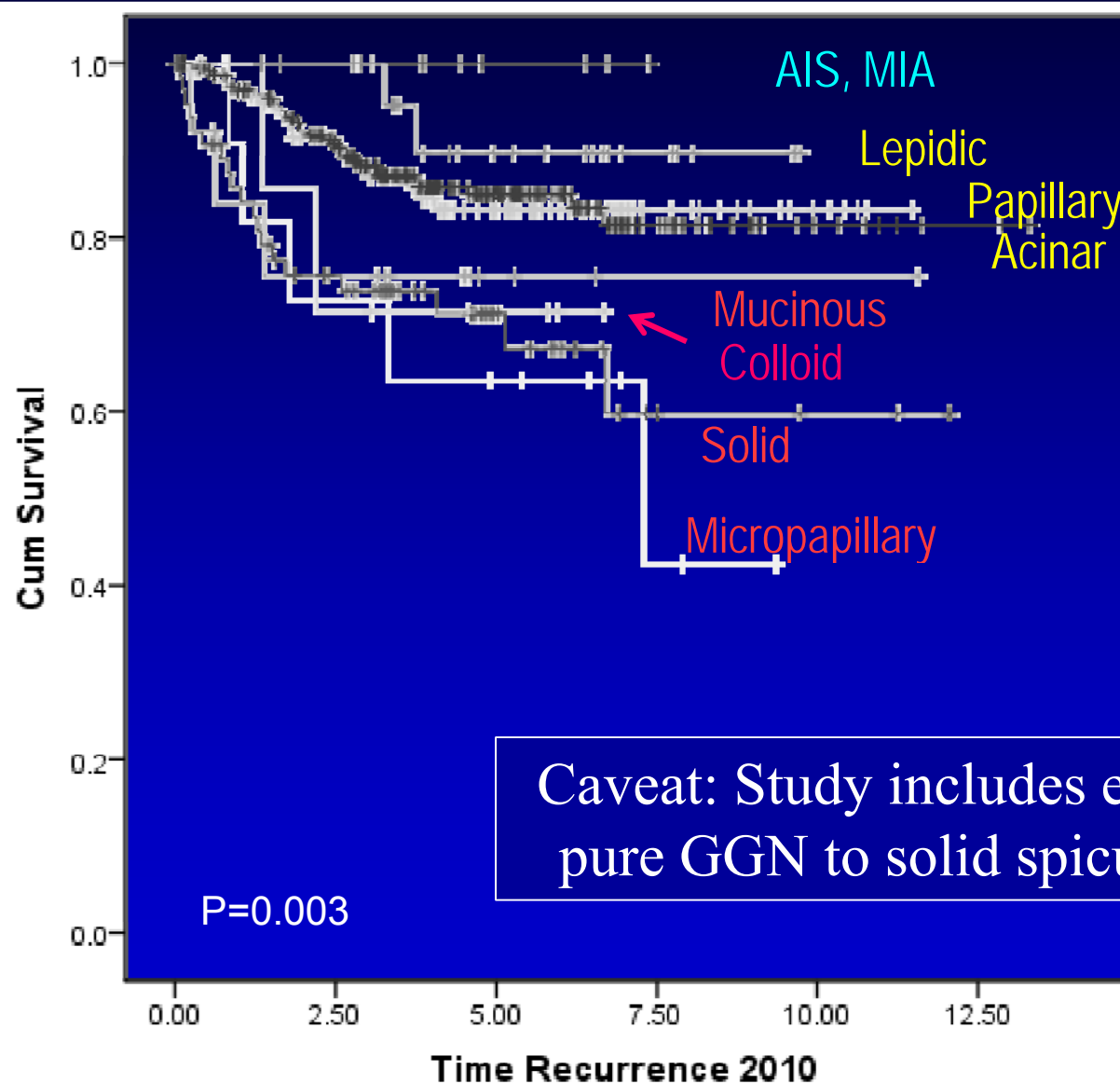
# Prediction of Adeno Subtype

		Inclusion		Imaging		Multivariate Results					
		GGN type	Size (mm)	Slice Thick- ness (mm)	Window for Solid part	Total Size	Solid Size	Density	Mass	margin	Air Bronch
Study	N										
Adeno vs AIS / MIA											
Cohen 15	31	Part	-	≤2	MW	N	Y	N	N	-	N
Zhang 15	237	Both	<20	?	?	Y	Y	y	N	N	Y
Son 14	191	Pure + <5	-	≤1.5	MW	N	N	N	y	-	-
Lim 13	46	Pure	≥10	2.5	MW	y	-	N	y	N	N
MIA vs AAH / AIS											
Zhang 14	140	Both	<20	1	?	N	-	y	-	N	N
Xiang 14	205	Pure	≤10	≤2	MW	N	-	Y	-	N	N
AIS vs AAH											
Xiang 14	205	Pure	≤10	≤2	MW	Y	-	N	-	Y	N

N = Not Signif; Y = Stst signif by MVA; y = inconsistently signif in different models

# STAGE pI ADENOCARCINOMA (N=514)

## RECURRENCE-FREE SURVIVAL



Histologic Type (N)	5 Year RFS %
AIS (1), MIA (8)	100
Lepidic NM (29)	90
Papillary (143)	83
Acinar (232)	85
Mucinous Adca (13)	76
Colloid (9)	71
Solid (67)	71
Micropapillary (12)	64

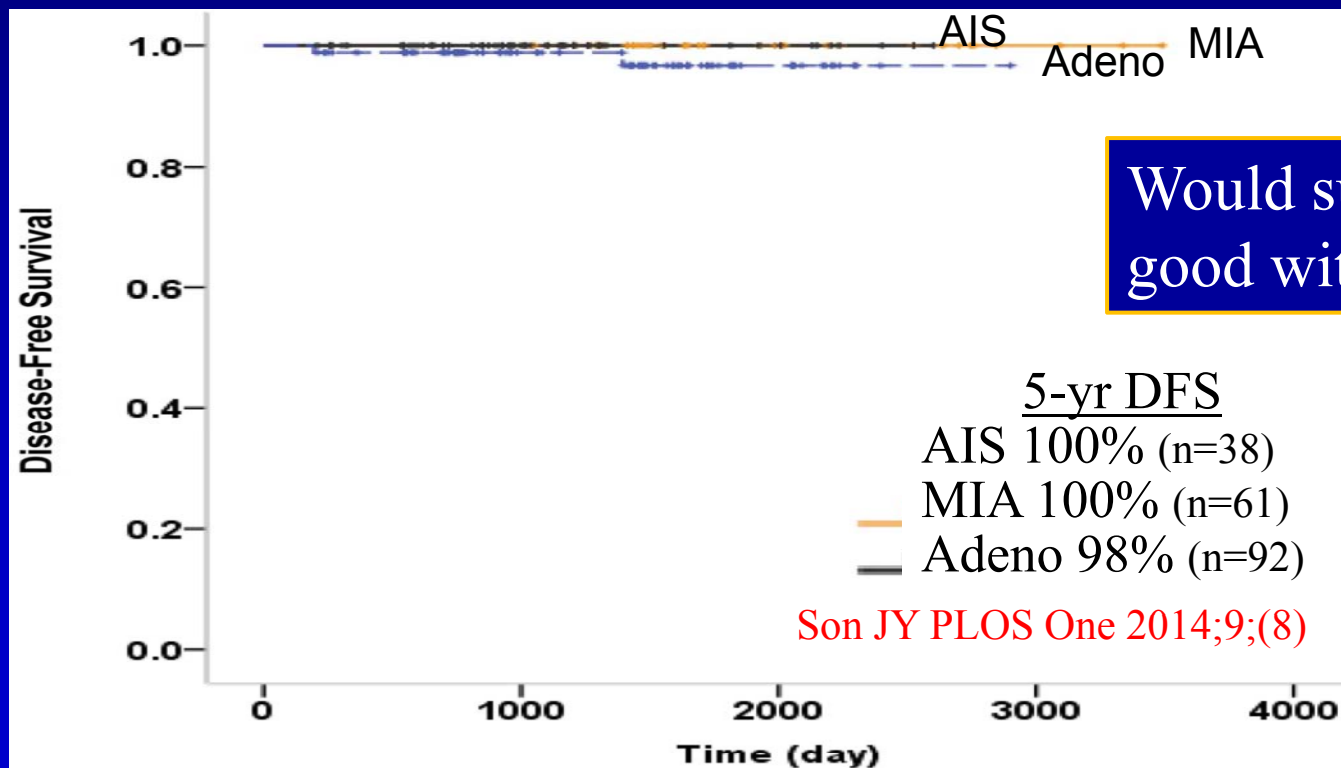
# Outcomes of Adeno Subtypes

All studies show: AIS/MIA survival is consistently excellent

Most studies include the full spectrum from pure GGO to pure solid

Only study focused on mostly GGN shows that for these tumors the pathologic adenocarcinoma subtype doesn't matter

Pure GGN + <5mm solid portion



Would survival be just as good without resection?

# Whole vs Solid Tumor Size by CT



Whole tumor size  
1.5 cm

Solid tumor size  
1.5 cm

Whole tumor size  
2.8 cm

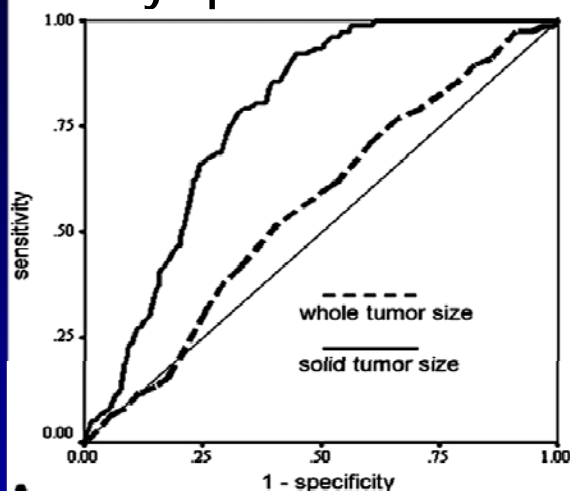
Solid tumor size  
1.0 cm

Whole tumor size  
3.0 cm

Solid tumor size  
0 cm

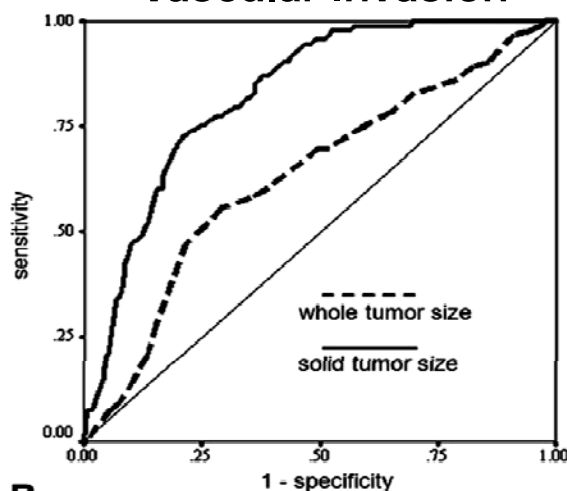
# Solid/Invasive Component is Key

Lymphatic Invasion



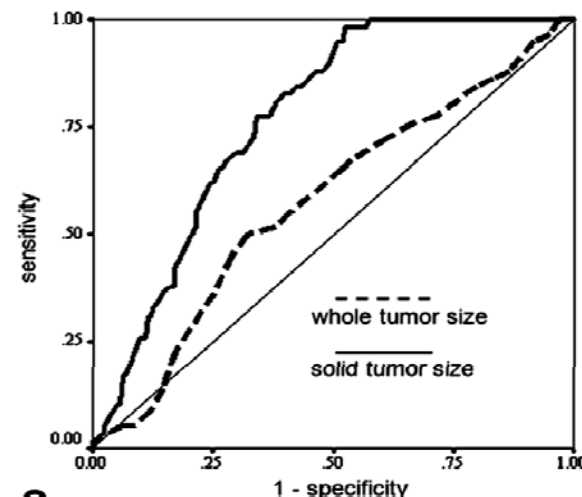
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Vascular Invasion



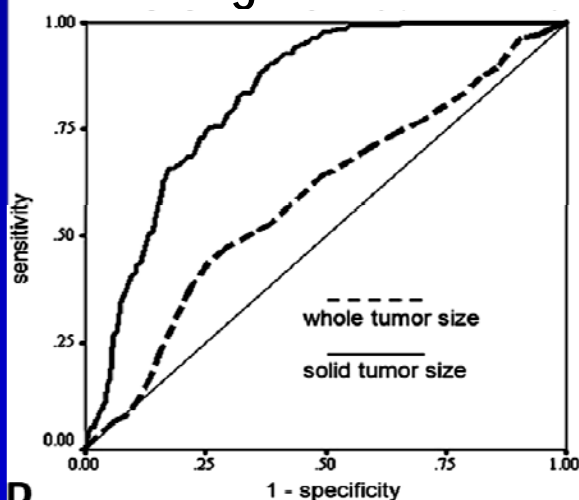
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Pleural Invasion



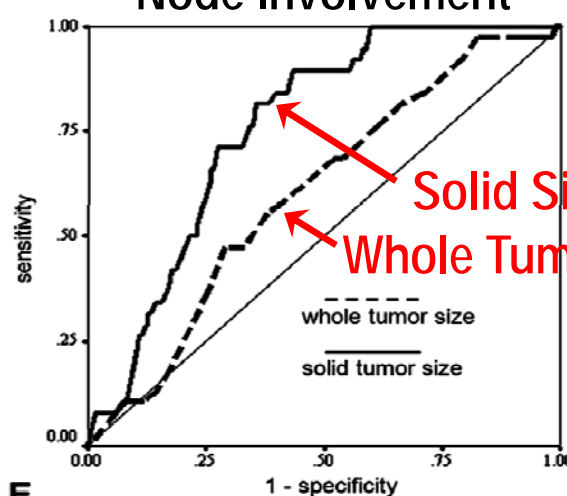
C

Pathologic Invasiveness



D

Node Involvement



E

502 cla Adeno pts, R0  
CT 1-2mm thickness  
Solid part measured on  
lung windows, max  $\varnothing$   
DFS predicted by solid  
size, PET, N+ (not  
whole size) in MV anal.

# Solid/Invasive Component is Key

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Multiple multivariate analysis studies have shown that the size of the solid or invasive component is key

- Predicts Recurrence-Free Survival (RFS)<sup>1,2,3,5,6</sup>
- Predicts N<sup>+</sup><sup>1,4</sup>
- Predicts Lymph, Vasc, Pleural invasion<sup>1,3</sup>
- Size of GGO component has no value<sup>1,2,3,4,5,6</sup>
- Maybe also of prognostic value: Pleur Inv<sup>2</sup>; PET<sup>1,3,6</sup>; N<sup>+</sup><sup>1</sup>; CEA<sup>2</sup>; Ly Inv<sup>3</sup>; Air Bronchogram<sup>4</sup>;

References: 1 Tsutani JTCVS 2012; 2 Murakawa EuJCTS 2013; 3 Tsutani JTCVS 2013; 4 Maeyashiki EuJCTS 2012; 5 Yanagawa JTO 2013; 6 Sawabata EuJCTS 2013



# 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Size Measurement

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## Clinical Size Measurement

- 8<sup>th</sup> Ed: cT determined by largest dimension of solid component
- long axis dimension. lung window setting, 1 mm slices

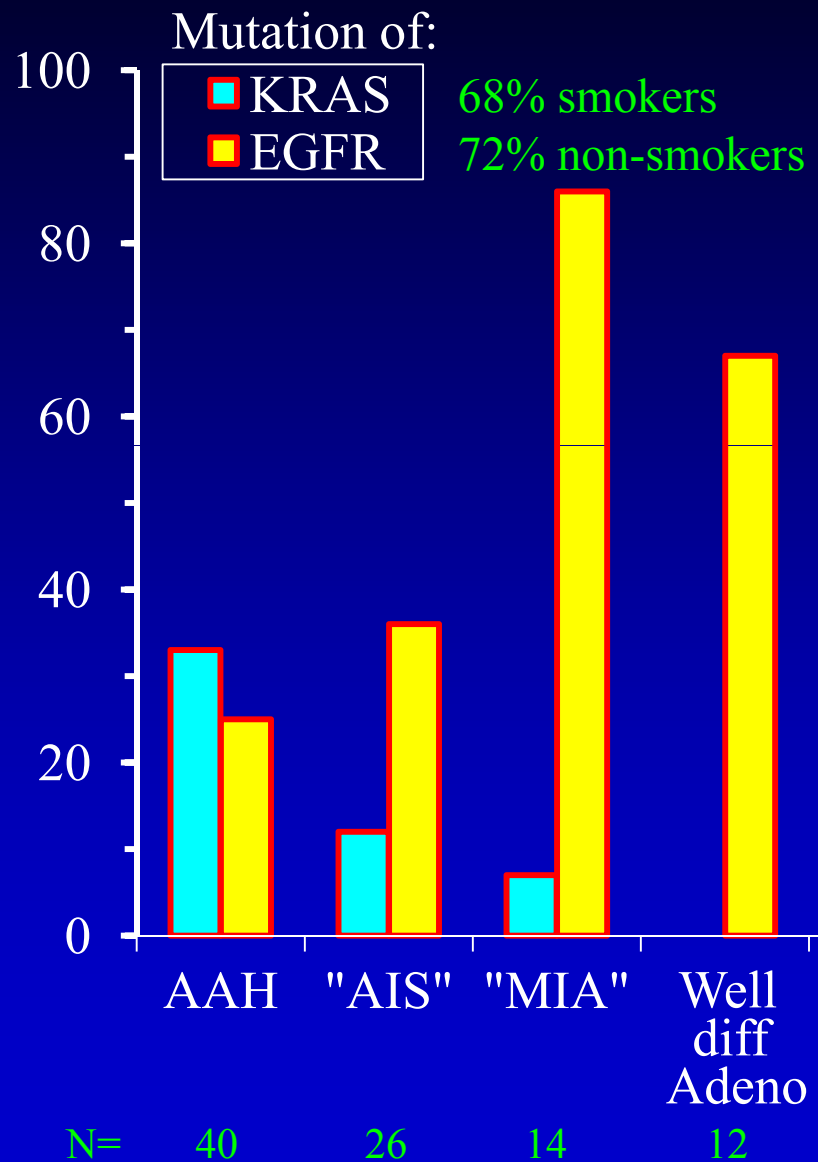
## Pathologic Size Measurement

- 8<sup>th</sup> Ed: pT determined by largest dimension of invasive component (or the % that is invasive if several sites); also record largest dimension of lepidic component

If interspersed components, measure total size and % solid / invasive

Ground Glass Opacities:  
Slow Down and  
Take a Deep Breath

# Genetic Features of Multifocal Adeno



↓ rate of KRAS with de-differentiation suggests that AAH with KRAS mutation doesn't progress

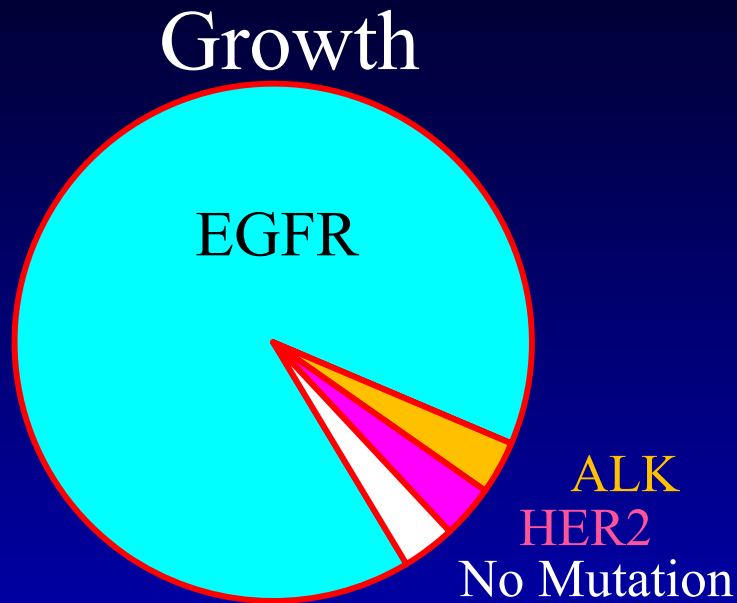
Opposite for EGFR mutation

Mutually exclusive KRAS & EGFR mutations suggests different pathways

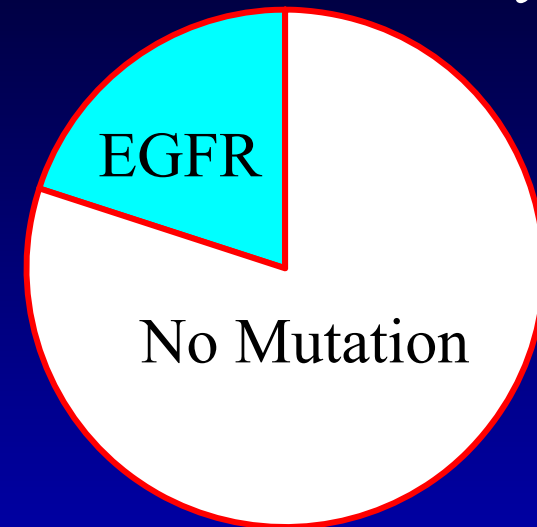
Also correlation w smoking

↑ rate of KRAS with Mod-Poorly differentiated Adeno suggests it doesn't develop from AAH  
maybe different mechanism?

# Genetic Features of Resected GGN



No Growth >2 yrs

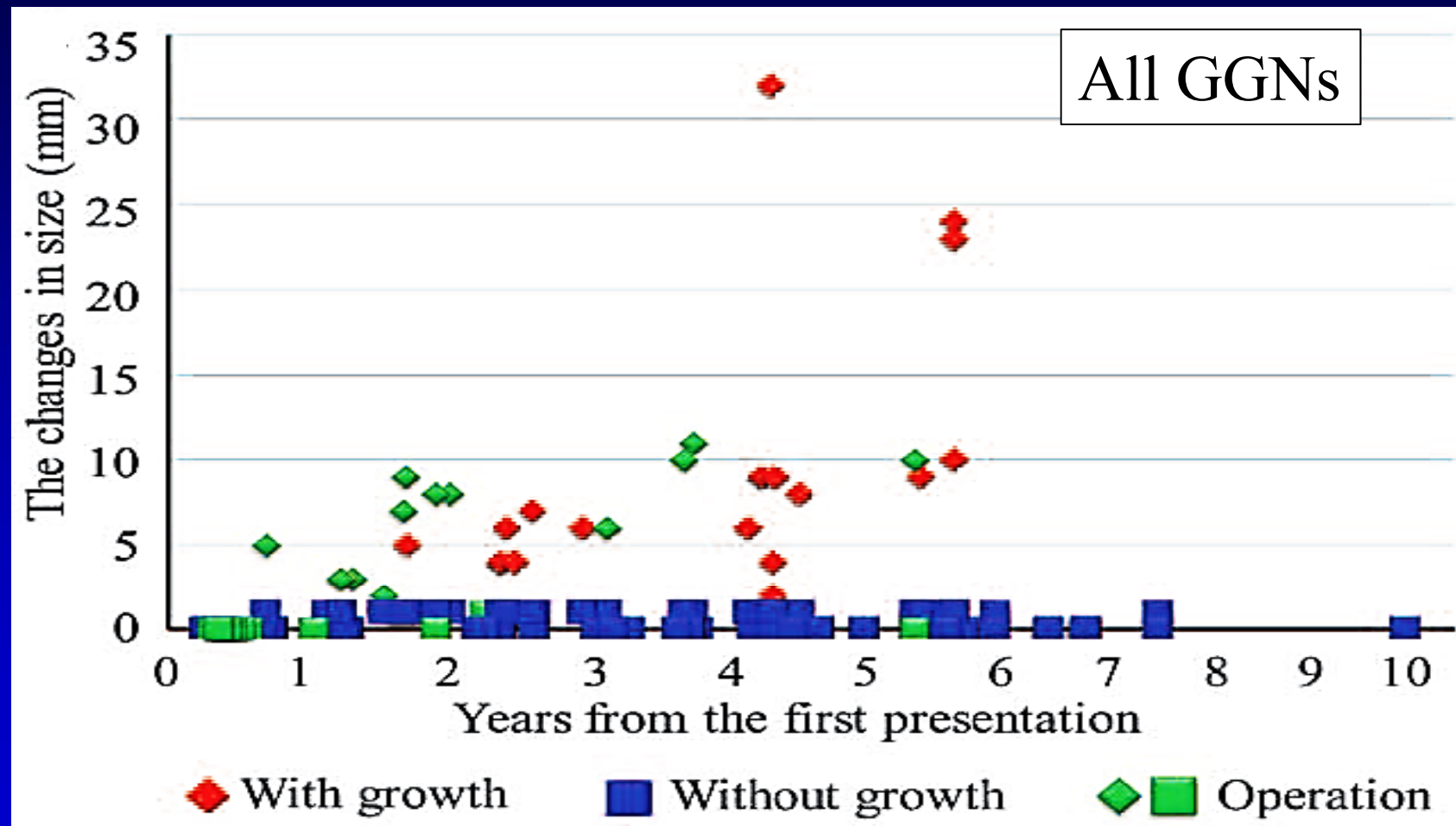


Ref: Kobayashi Annals Oncol 2015;26:156-61

There is evidence for different types of GGNs  
with different biologic behavior

# Only Some GGNs Grow

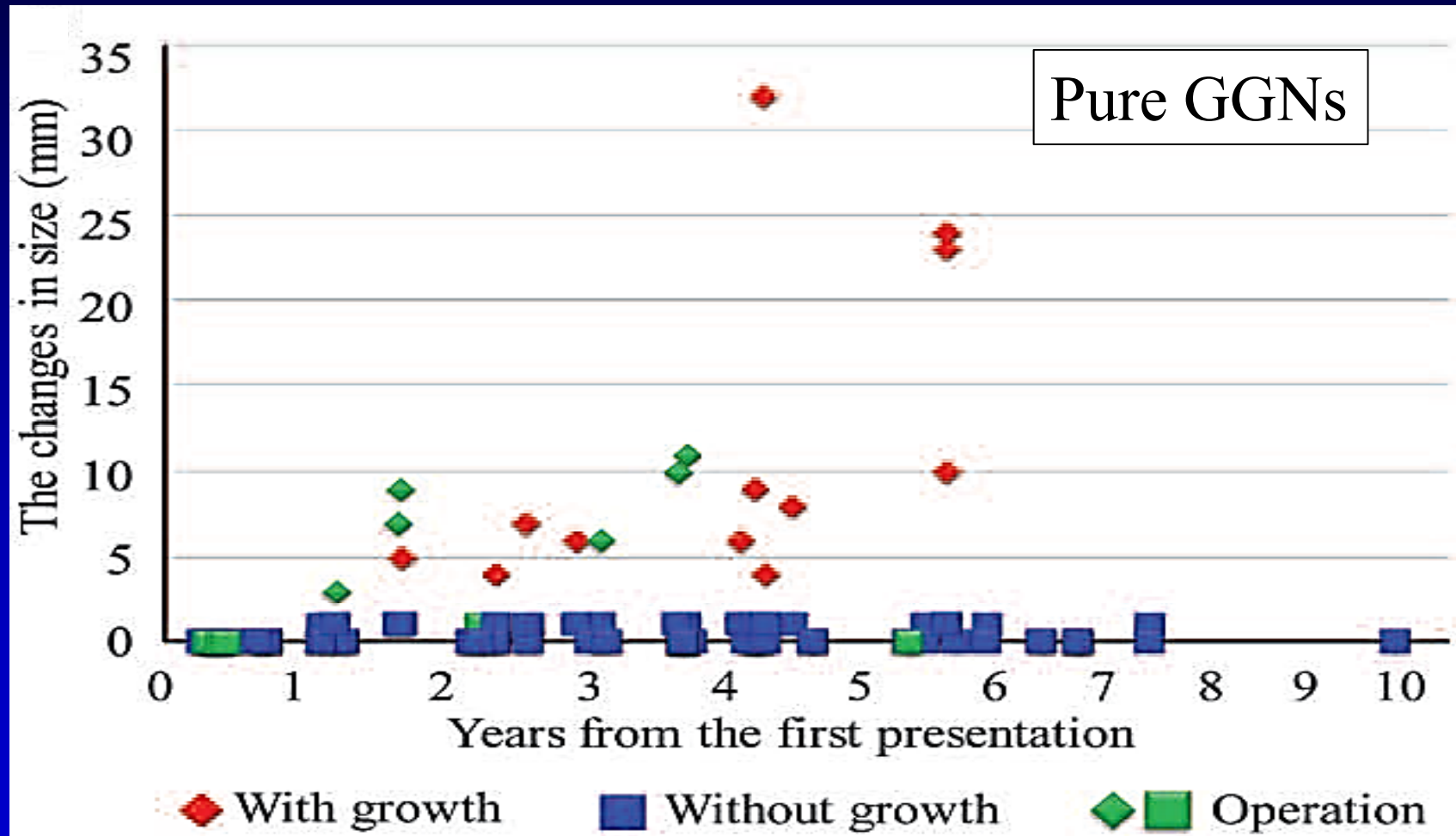
Patients with a Lung Cancer and additional sub-solid GGNs over time



Ref: Kobayashi J Thor Oncol 2013;8:309-14

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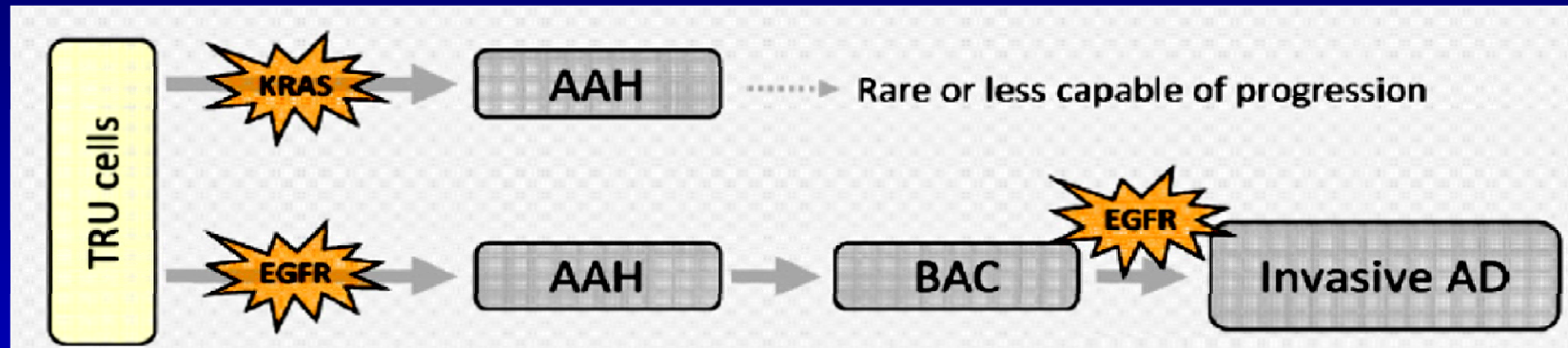
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# Do All GGNs Grow?

AAH w KRAS mutation: not destined to grow? (Associated with smoking?)

A manifestation of the ability of KRAS to induce senescence?

AAH w EGFR mutation: progression to lepidic Adeno No assoc w smoking?



# How well can we determine growth?

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## Solid Nodules

Poor inter- & intra-observer consistency for differences of  $<1.5$ -2 mm

Bottom line:

- Use thin slices (1.25 mm)
- Don't trust changes  $<2$  mm
- Don't compare apples to oranges  
(i.e. PET-CT to diagnostic CT,  
5 mm slices to 1.25 mm slices)

When in doubt, get another data point!



# Challenges in Assessing Growth

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How well can we determine growth?

Ignore differences less than 2 mm

Use thin slice CT (1.25mm)

Compare like to like (type of scan, setting, slice thickness)

Don't trust diagnostic CT compared to PET/CT

Don't trust thick vs thin slices

Don't use MIP images, different window settings

Bottom line: when there is doubt, don't cut it out

→ get more data points

# Incidence of Progression by %GGO and Time

■ No change ■ Growth in: ■ 0-1 yr ■ 1-2 yr ■ 2-3 yr ■ 3-4 yr ■ 4-10 yr

<u>% of Resections</u>	<u>AIS/MIA</u>	<u>Other</u>
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96%	4%
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70%	30%
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33%	67%
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27%	73%
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99.2% Stage Ia
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Prospective, Long-Term Study

Patients followed for 10-15 years (accrued 2000-2005); Pure or part-solid GGO  $\leq$  3 cm

Progression defined as either growth or increased consolidation (usually  $\sim$ 2-3 mm  $\uparrow$ )

Proportion of consolidation assessed on lung windows

Sawada Chest 2016;

# Progression of GGO (Prospective Study)

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Prospective multicenter study 2009-11; median f/u 4.3 yrs

Patients with pure GGN or with  $\leq 5\text{mm}$  solid component (n = 1253)

Defined as pure, heterogeneous (consolidated on lung window) or part-solid (mediastinal window) on 1.25 mm slice CT

Central expert radiology and pathology review (of changing or resected cases)

Growth was defined as:

- $\uparrow$  in max diam of  $\geq 2\text{mm}$  of GG portion
- $\uparrow$  in max diam of  $\geq 2\text{mm}$  of solid portion (either lung or mediast window)
- New solid portion (either lung or mediast window)

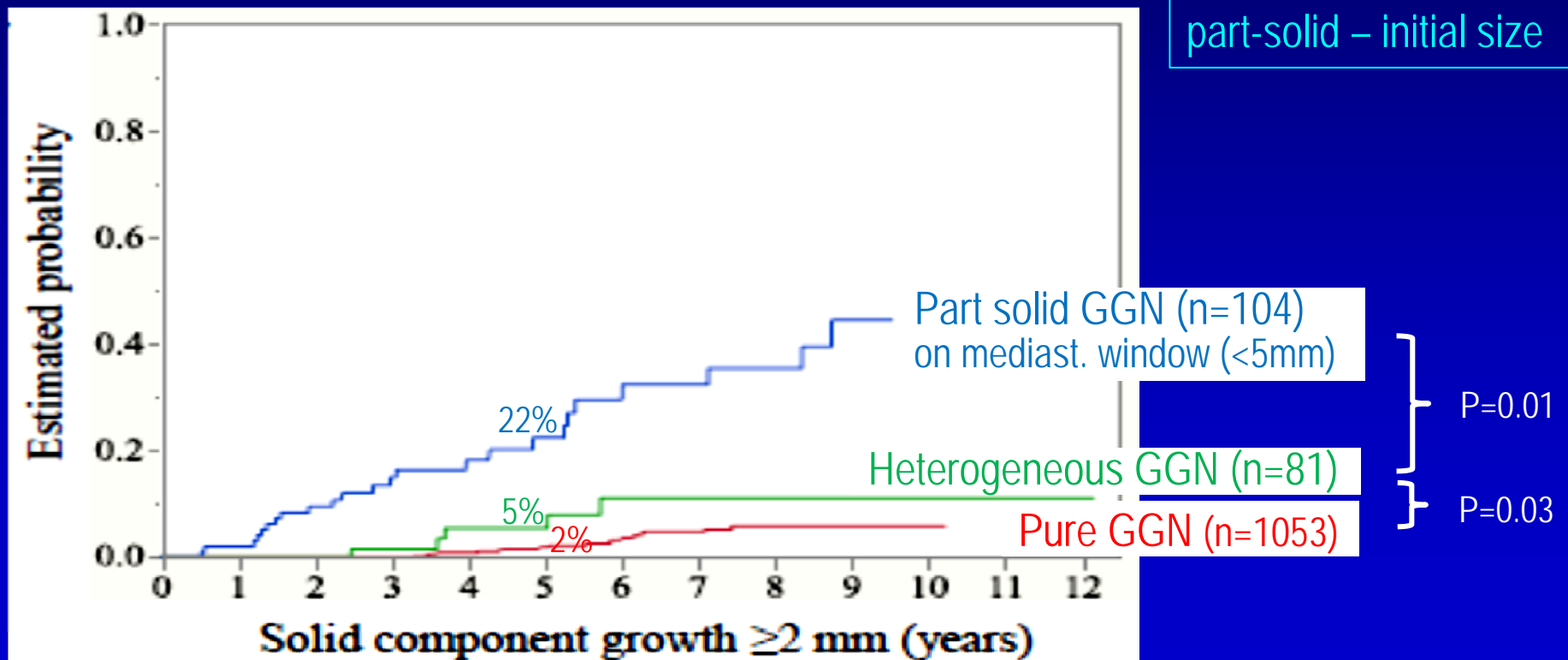
74% CT & 6% CXR screening, 17% incidental;  
60% never-smoker; 31% multiple

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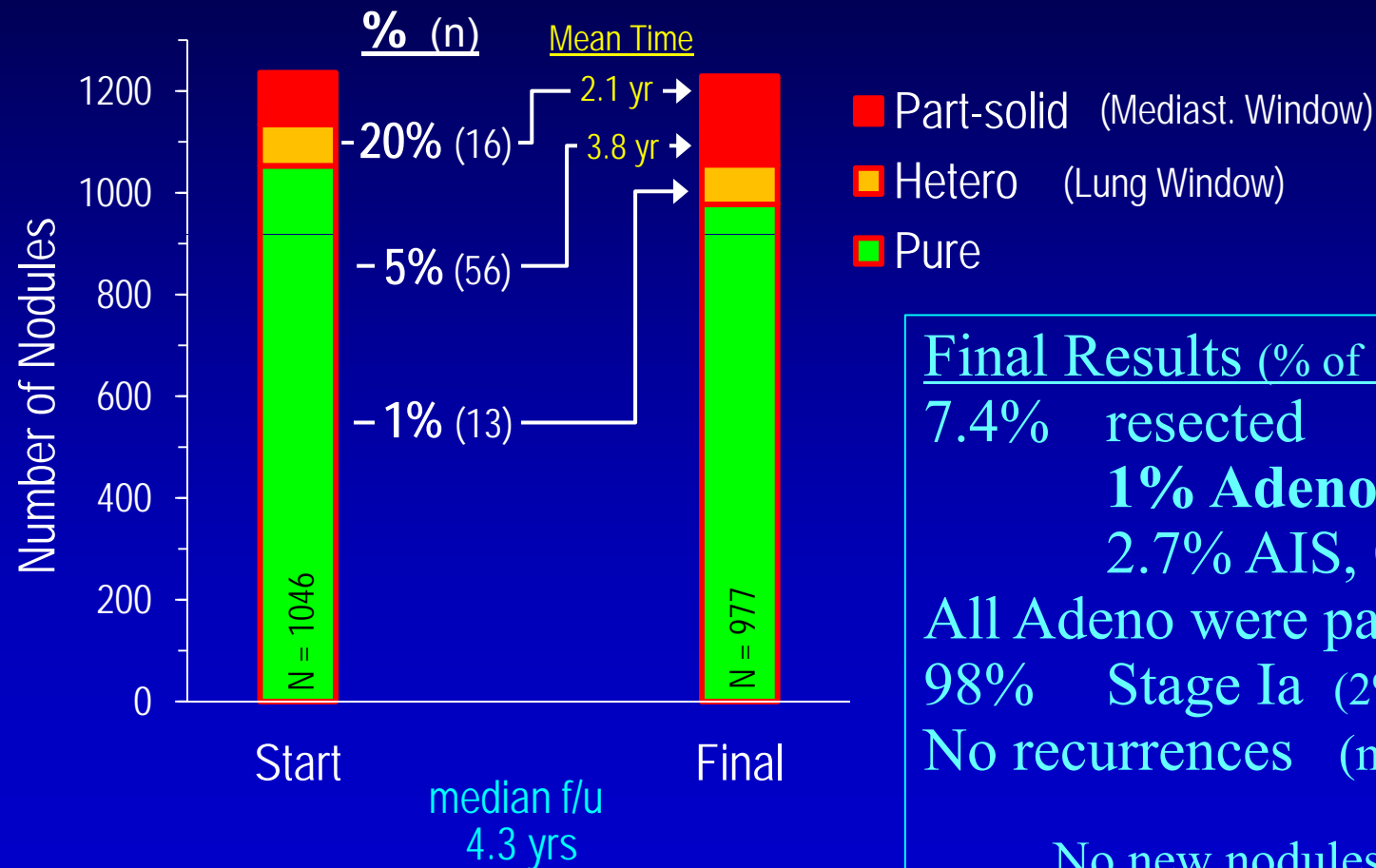
Growth of max Size of Solid Component  $\geq 2\text{mm}$

Multivariate predictor:  
Pure – initial size,  
Hetero – none  
part-solid – initial size



# Progression of GGO (Prospective Study)

Patients with pure GGN or with  $\leq 5\text{mm}$  solid component ( $n = 1253$ )



## Final Results (% of 1253 GGNs):

7.4% resected

1% Adeno; 3.3% MIA,  
2.7% AIS, 0.5% AAH

All Adeno were part-solid on CT

98% Stage Ia (2% stage Ib)

No recurrences (median f/u 3 yrs)

No new nodules developed

← Decreased — Importance of co-morbidities — Increased →

Aggressive Cancers

Less Aggressive Cancers

Lethal Burden

Tumor Burden →

0 Lifetime → 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

SCLC

Solid  
Spiculated  
NSCLC

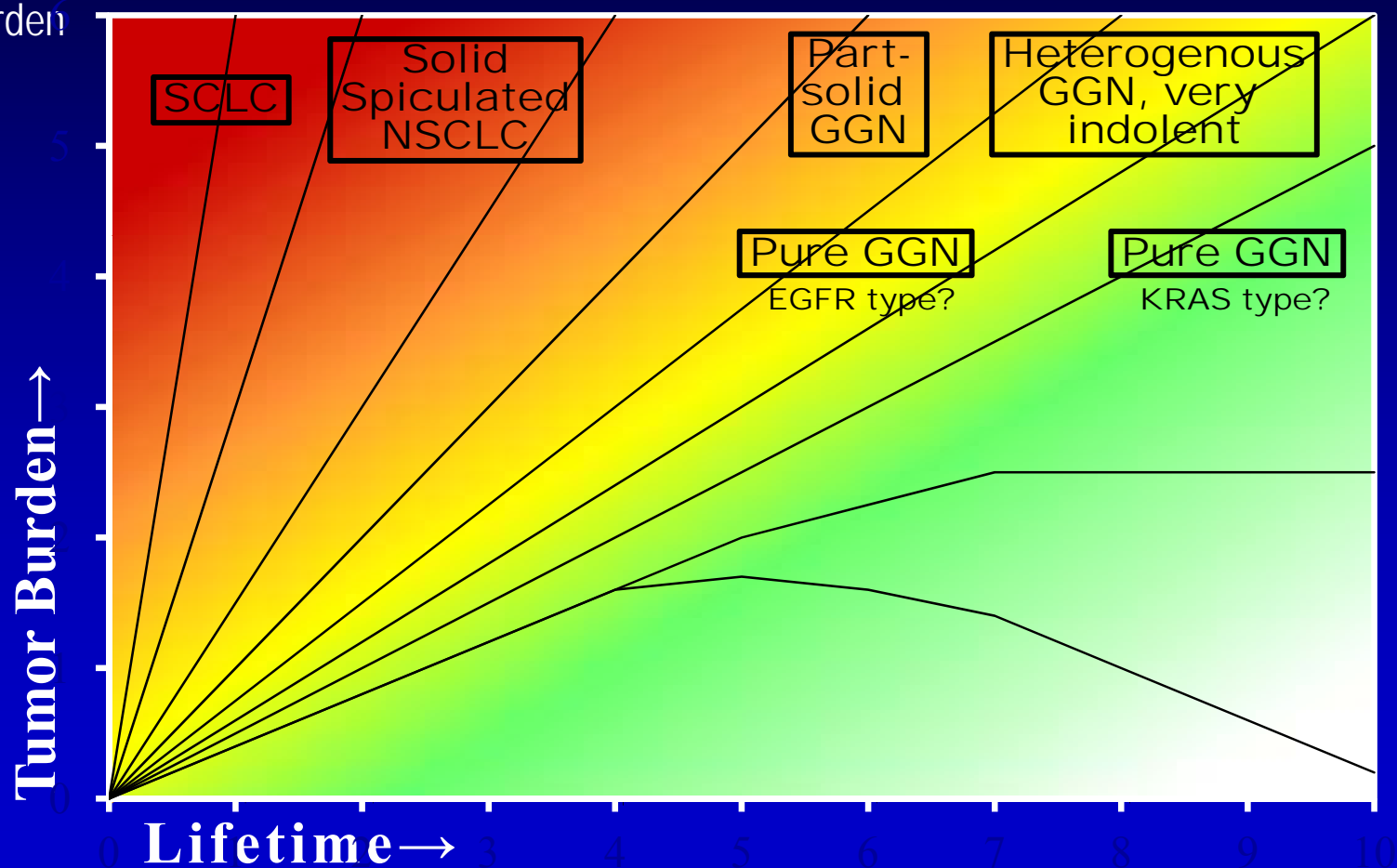
Part-  
solid  
GGN

Heterogenous  
GGN, very  
indolent

Pure GGN  
EGFR type?

Pure GGN  
KRAS type?

Inconsequential Cancers



# GGN Management Recommendation

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## Triggers for Intervention

This is a moving target - my current recommendation:

GGN Type	Follow-Up Schedule
Pure GGN	LDCT q 12 mo
Heterogeneous	CT q 6 mo x 2 years; if stable revert to LDCT q 12 mo
Part-solid GGN (2-5 mm solid portion on MW)	CT q 3 mo x 1 year; if stable revert to CT q 6 mo

Note: CT should be done with 1.25 mm slice thickness

<sup>a</sup> Assuming no doubt about measurement (generally requires  $\geq 2$  interval scans)

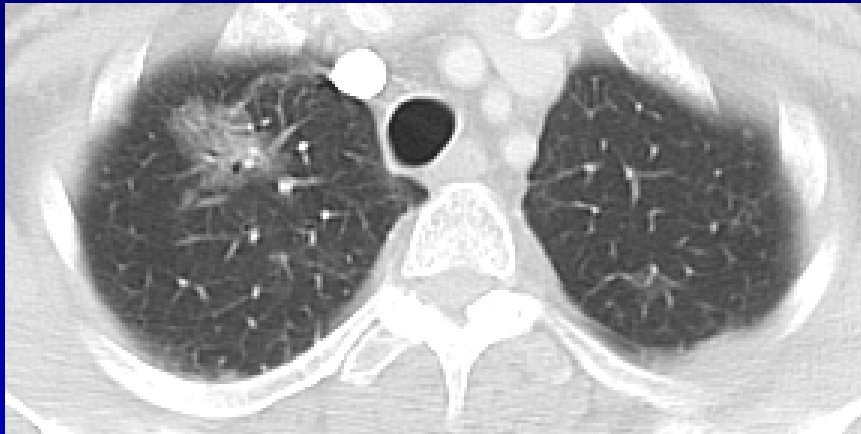
<sup>b</sup> speculative recommendation, based on limited data

# Criteria for Multifocal GG/L Category

## Clinical Criteria

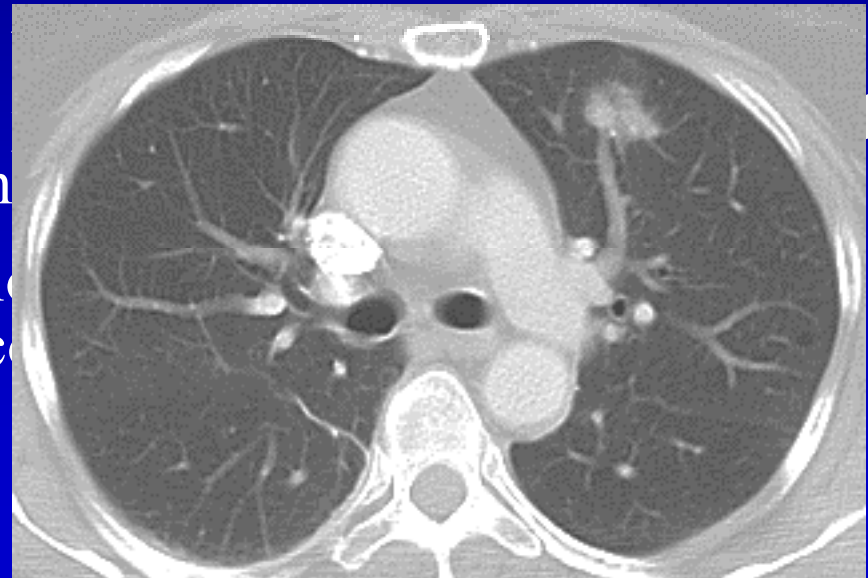
Tumors should be considered multifocal GG/L lung cancer if:

There are multiple sub-solid nodules (either pure ground glass or part-solid), with at least one suspected (or proven) to be cancer.



Not the nodules have been biopsied  
nodules(s) are suspected to be AIS,  
MIA or LPA

- GGN lesions <5mm or lesions





# Multifocal GG/L Adenocarcinoma

## Systematic Literature Review:

First Author	N	% pN2	% Re-sec ted	% Multi -focal	CT appearance (% ground glass)			% BAC <sup>a</sup> Histology		% 5-year Survival	
					<50%	>50%	Pure	Mixed	Pure	all	pN0
Ishikawa	93	8	100	87	26	51	22	-	-	87	93
Vazquez <sup>b</sup>	49	10 <sup>c</sup>	100	100	42	23	34	74	12	-	100
Nakata	31	6	100	84	28	43	29	69 <sup>d</sup>	31	93	-
Ebright	29 <sup>e</sup>	3 <sup>c</sup>	100	100	-	-	-	66	34	68	-
Mun <sup>b</sup>	27	0	100	93	0	-	-	14	86	100 <sup>f</sup>	100 <sup>f</sup>
Kim	23	0	100	100	0	0	100	0	69	100	100
Roberts	14	0	100	100	-	-	-	14	57	64	64
<b>Average</b>										<b>85</b>	<b>91</b>

Inclusion criteria: studies involving multifocal lung cancer and  $\geq 10$  patients from 1995-2015.

<sup>a</sup>bronchioloalveolar carcinoma (term was in use at the time these papers were written)

<sup>b</sup>involving primarily pts detected by CT screening for lung cancer      <sup>c</sup>N1 and N2 combined

<sup>d</sup>Includes adenocarcinoma      <sup>e</sup>pts with pneumonic (infiltrative) adenocarcinoma excluded

# Multifocal GG/L: Recurrence Pattern

## Systematic Literature Review:

1st Author	N	Type	Recurrence Type (%)				
			New 1 <sup>o</sup>	Lung	N2,3	L+D	D
Ebright <sup>u</sup>	47	Pure GG	43	38		10	10
Mun <sup>b</sup>	27	Pure GG	100	0		0	0
Ebright <sup>u</sup>	21	>50% GG	50	30		10	10
Ebright <sup>u</sup>	32	<50% GG	62	23		0	15
Ishikawa	93	Multifocal	- <sup>c</sup>	(53) <sup>c</sup>	(29) <sup>c</sup>	-	(18) <sup>c</sup>
Regnard <sup>a</sup>	61	BAC <sup>d</sup>	- <sup>c</sup>	(55) <sup>c</sup>	(15) <sup>c</sup>	-	(30) <sup>c</sup>
Average <sup>e</sup>			64	23		5	6

Inclusion criteria: studies reporting recurrence patterns in multifocal lung cancer and  $\geq 10$  pts from 1995-2015.

<sup>u</sup>included pts with unifocal disease      <sup>b</sup>involving primarily pts detected by CT screening

<sup>c</sup>data for new primary cancers not reported      <sup>d</sup>pre-1999 definition

<sup>e</sup>excluding values in parentheses

# Multifocal GG/L Tumors - Management

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Less investigation needed to confirm clinical stage

Manage each nodule individually →

- Observe if it doesn't meet criteria for intervention
- Resect if meets criteria for intervention (prefer segmentectomy)

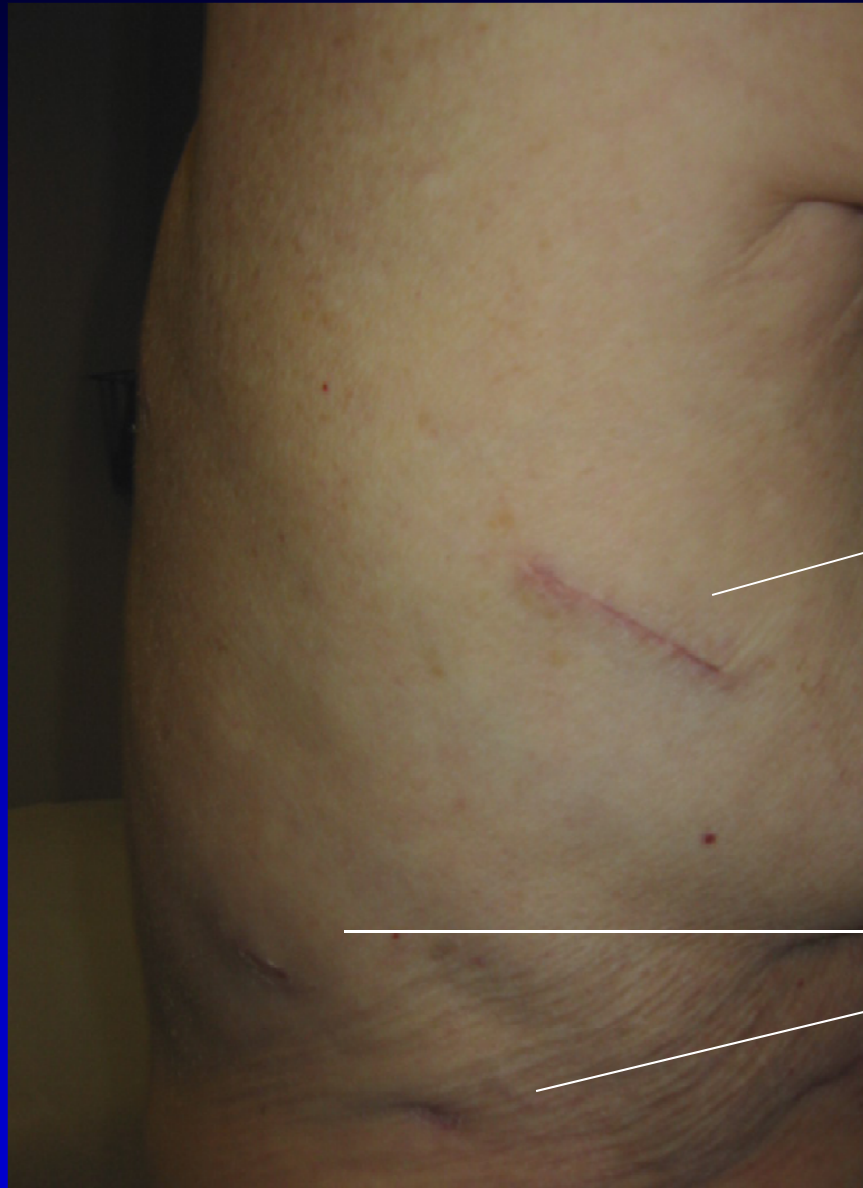
Rationale:

- often indolent, many do not progress
- low propensity for nodal or distant metastases,
- higher propensity for development of new lung cancers

# Advances in Surgery

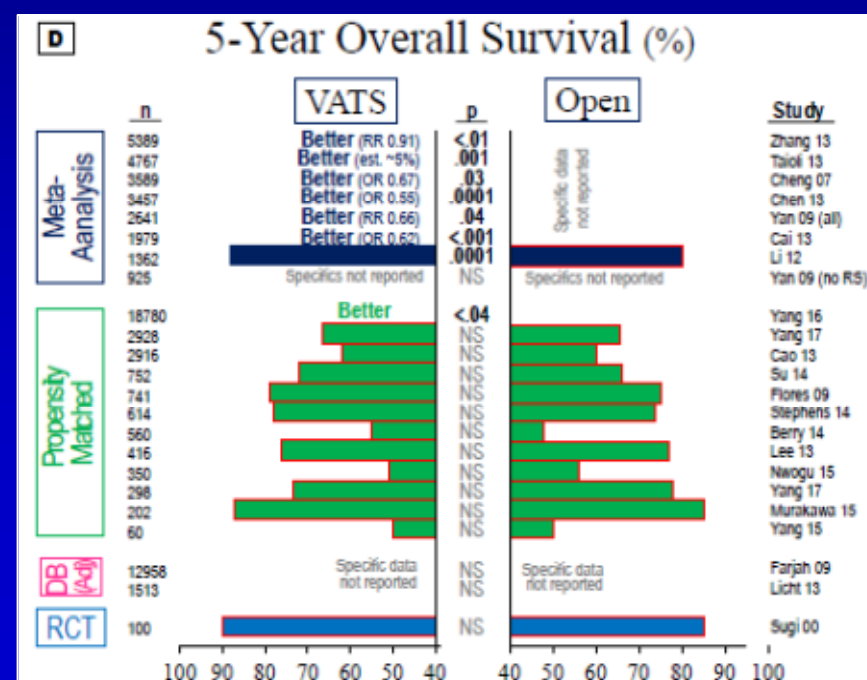
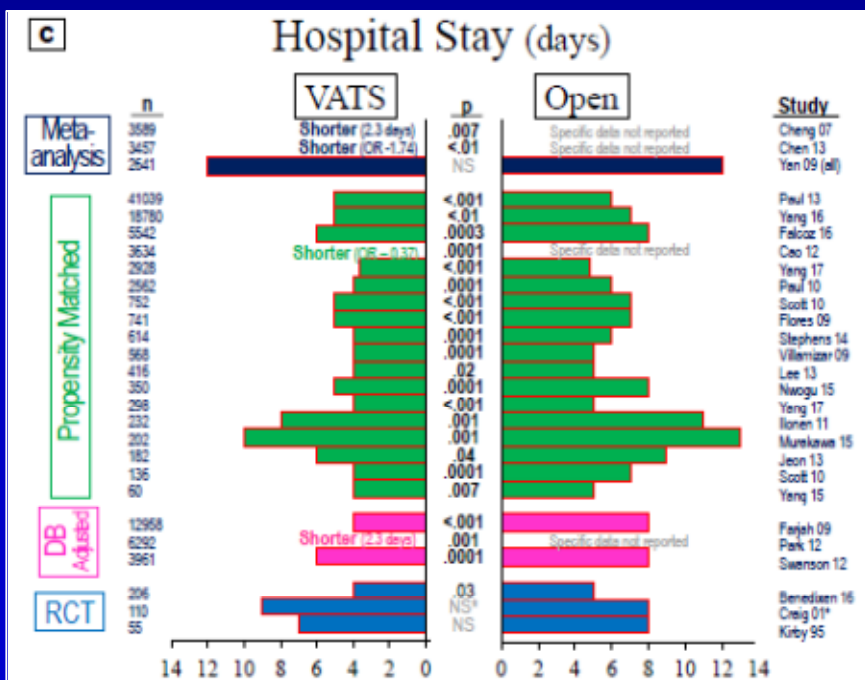
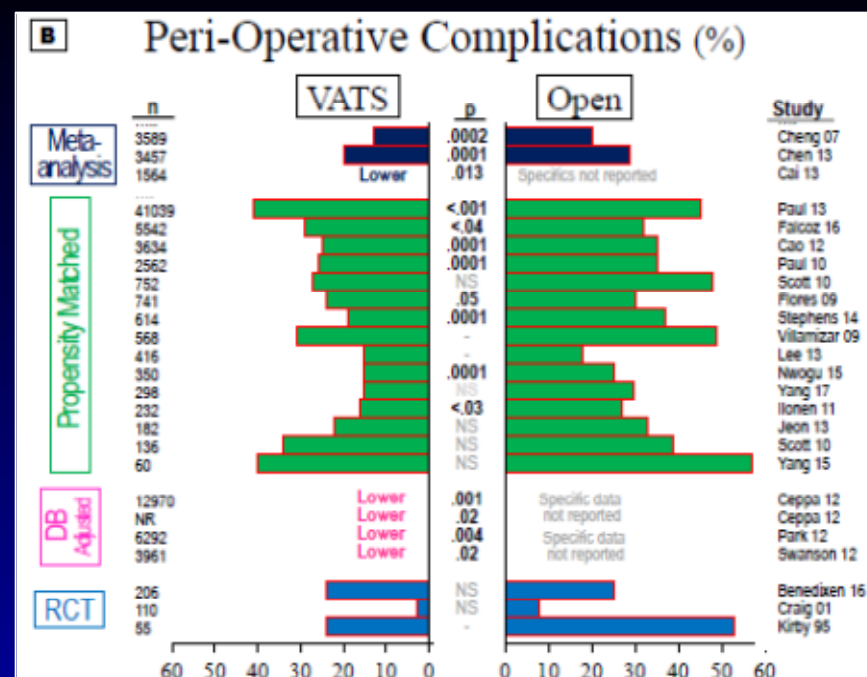
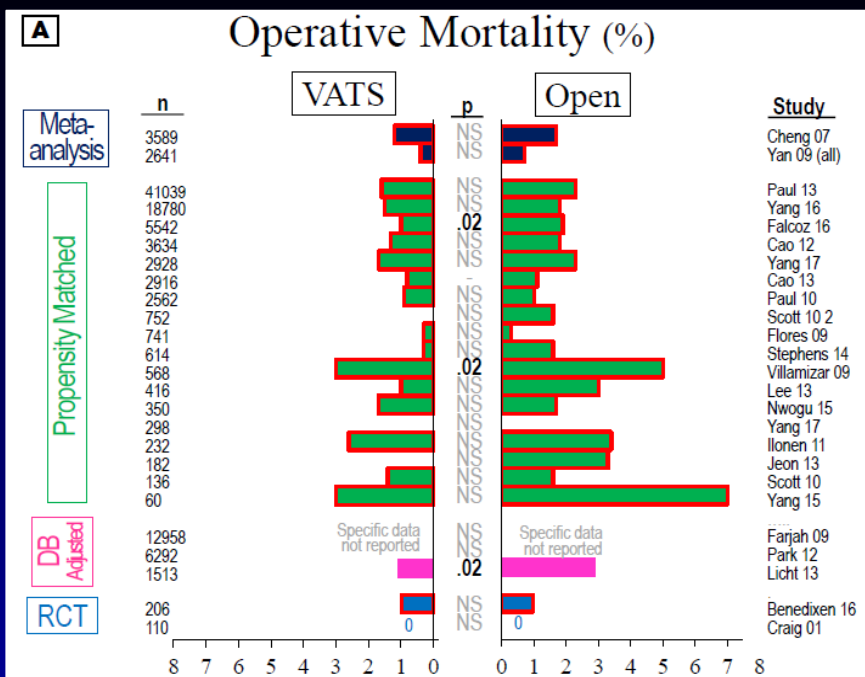
# Minimally Invasive Surgery

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5 cm incision  
No rib spreading

Additional  
5 & 10 mm  
incisions



# Operative Mortality (%)

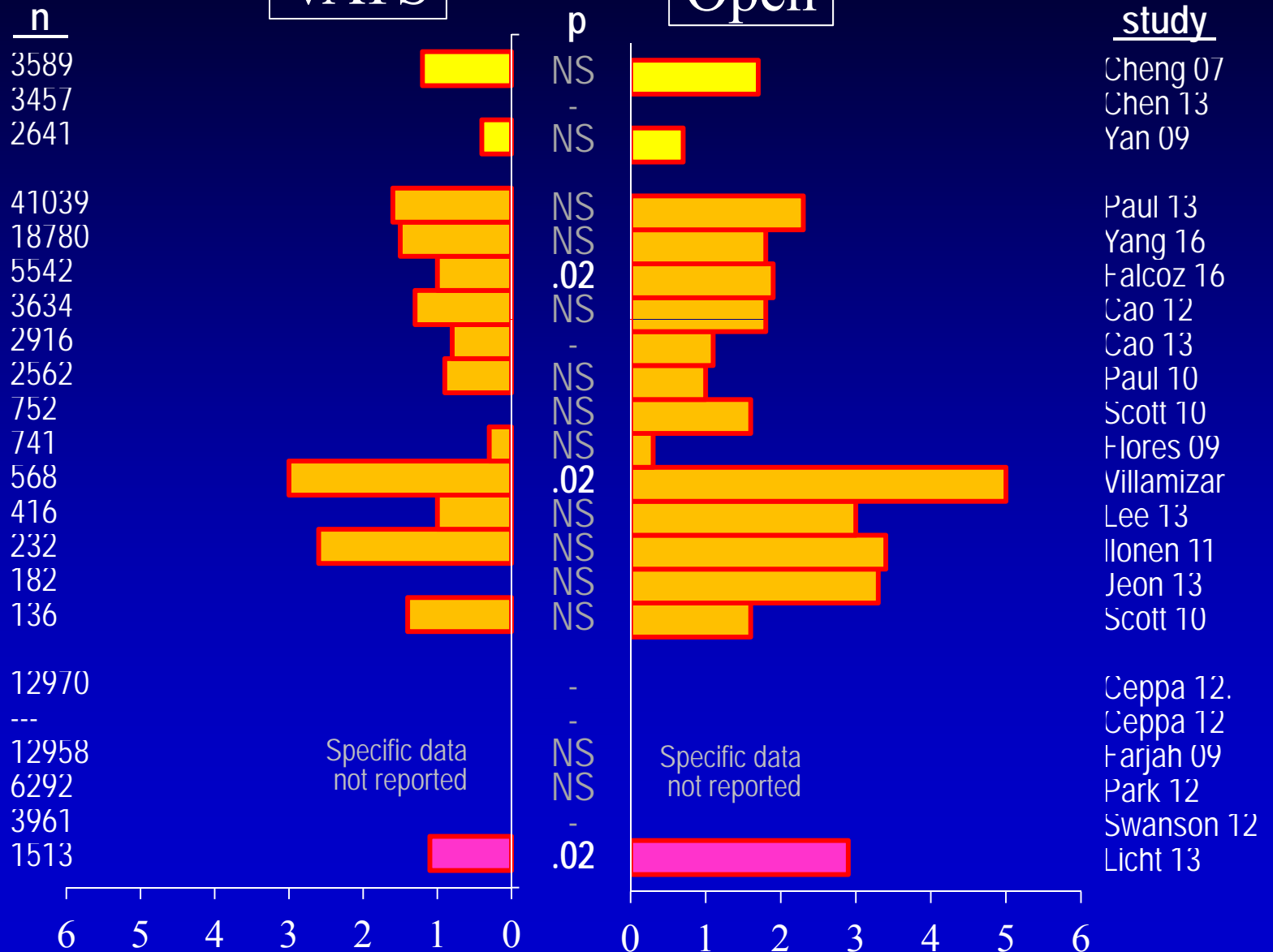
Meta-analysis

Propensity Matched

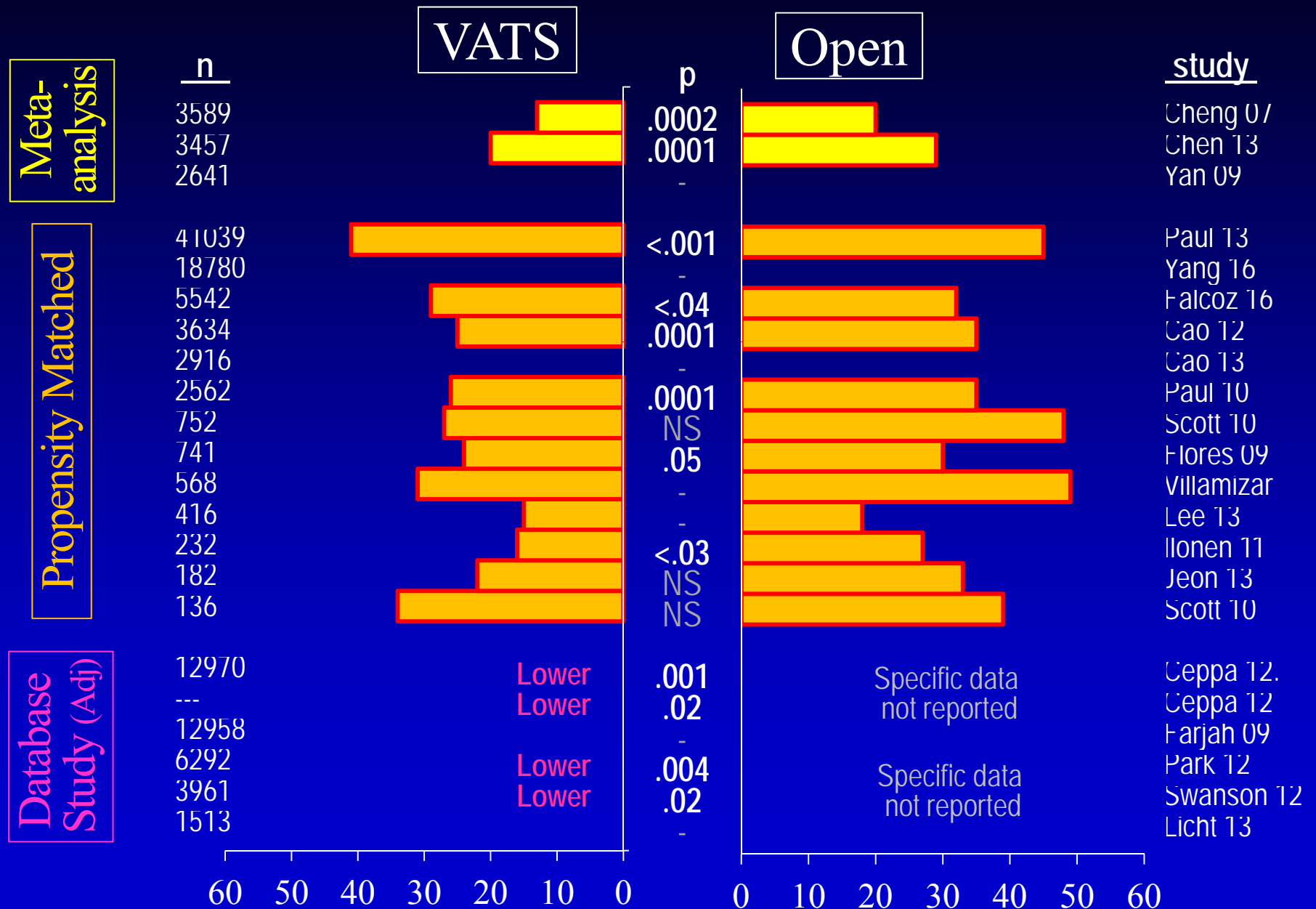
Database Study (Adj)

VATS

Open

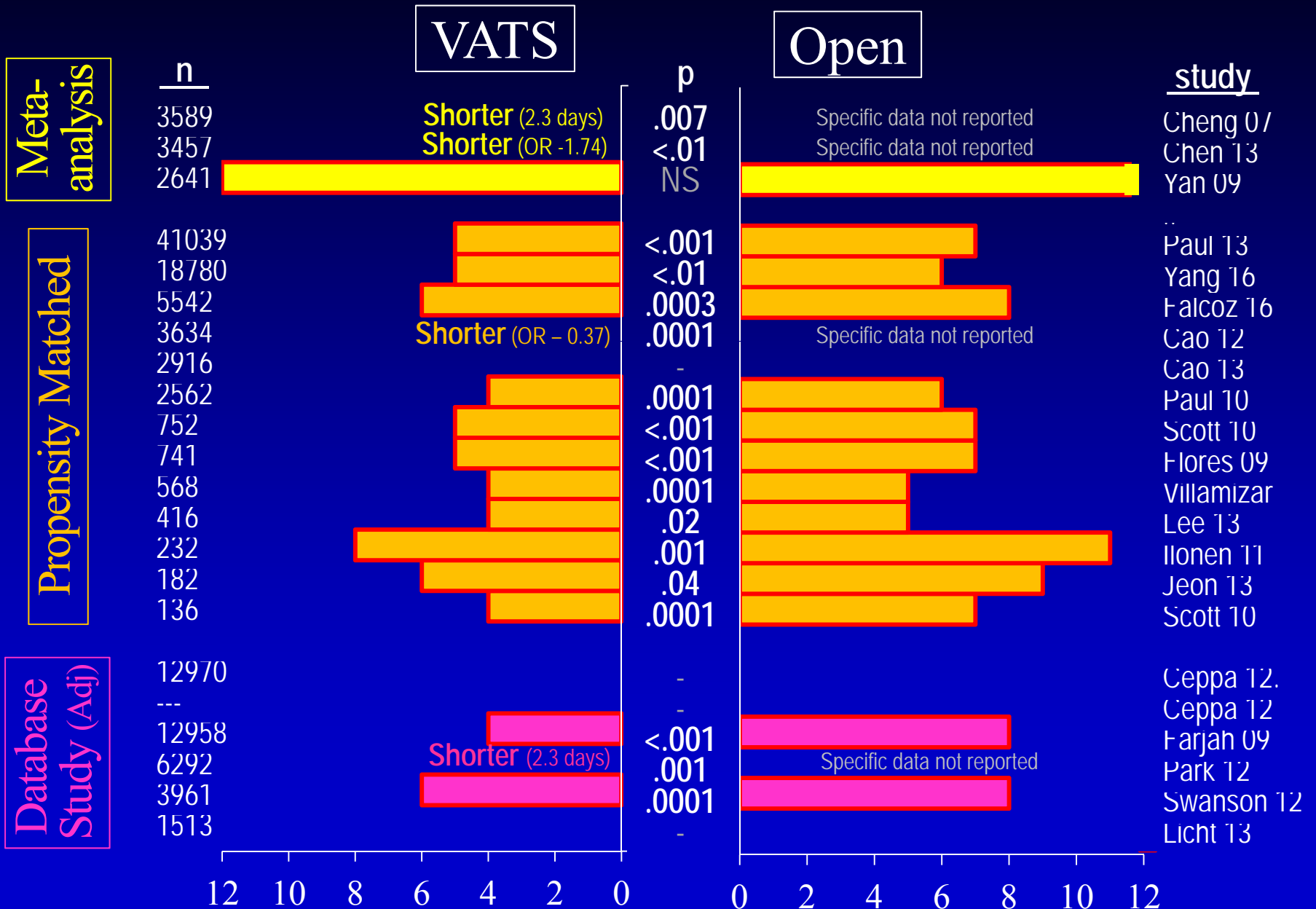


# Peri-Operative Complications (%)

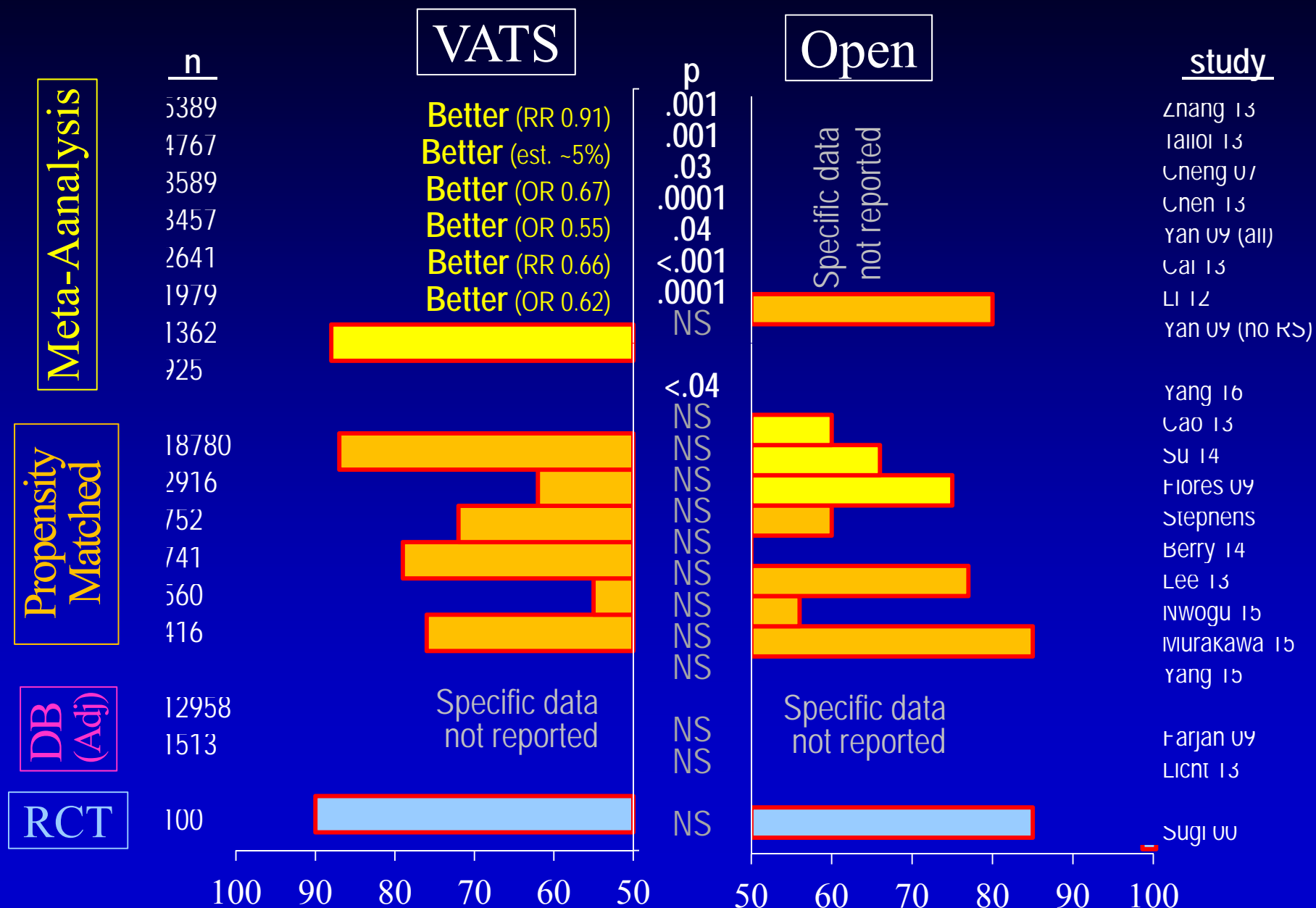




# Hospital Stay (days)



# 5-Year Overall Survival (%)



# Metaanalysis: VATS vs Open

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36 Studies (3 randomized), 3384 patients, 1995-2007

Intraoperative Outcomes: **Safe**

6% conversion, no  $\Delta$  transfusion, periop Mortality ~1%  
 $\downarrow$  Bl loss (80 ml),  $\uparrow$  OR time (16 min)

Peri-operative Complications: **Better**

$\downarrow$  Complications,  $\downarrow$  Hosp days

Postoperative Pain, Quality of Life: **Better**

$\downarrow$  Pain (any measure x  $>3$  mo.),  $\uparrow$  FEV1  
 $\uparrow$  return of function, trend to  $\uparrow$  QOL

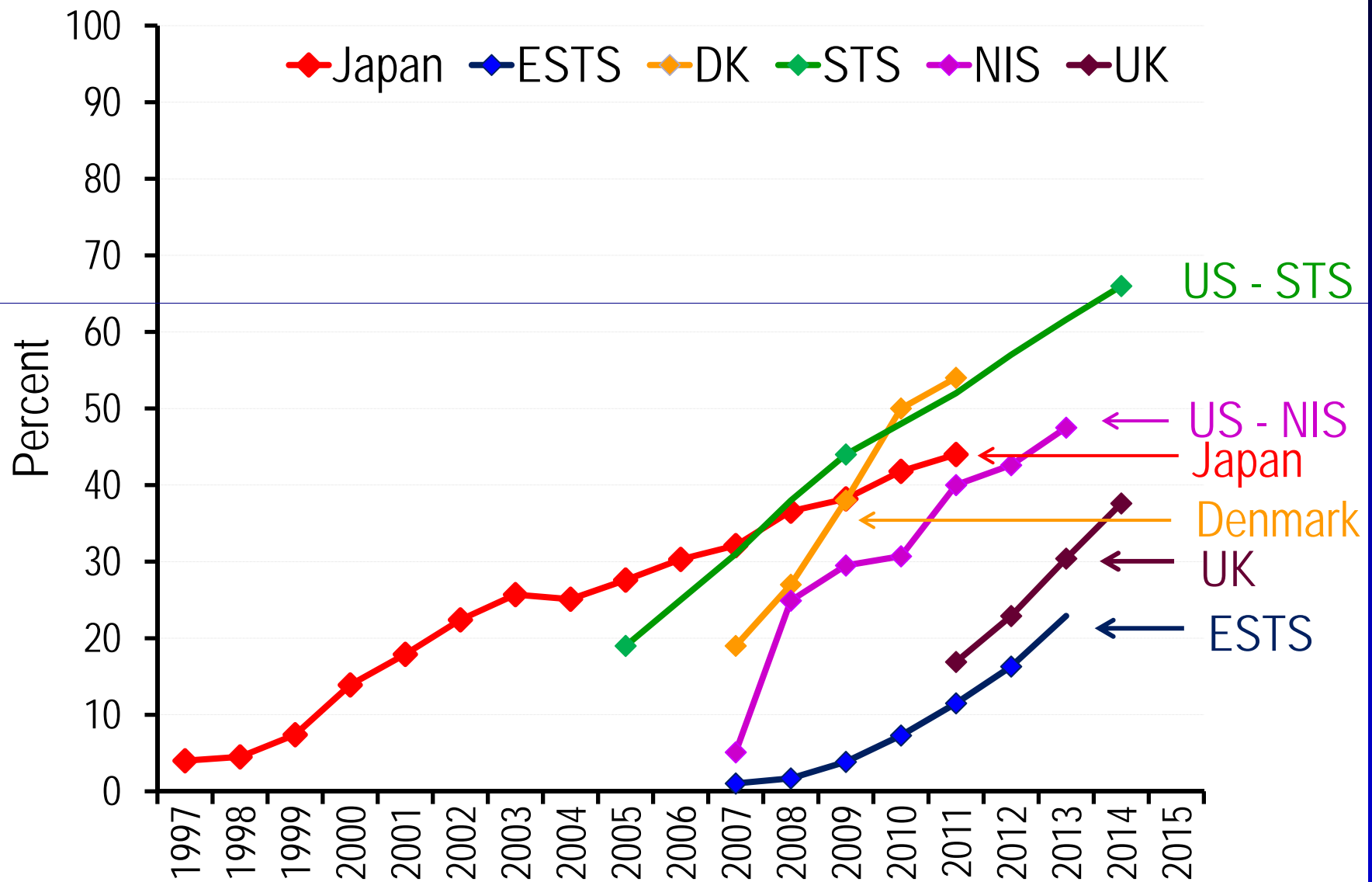
Oncologic Aspects: **Equal or Better**

no  $\Delta$  node staging,  $\uparrow$  Delivery of adjuvant chemotherapy

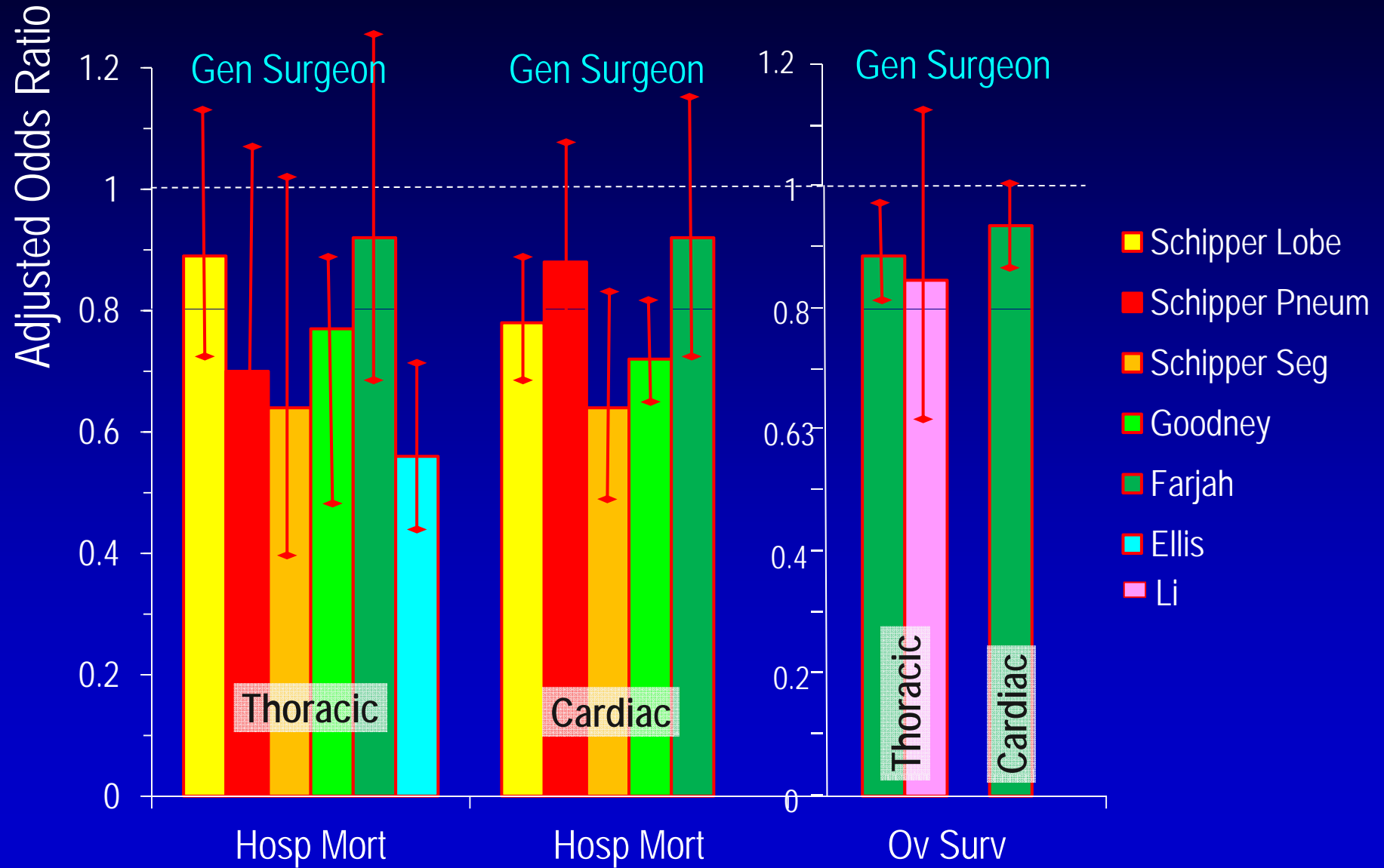
Long-Term Outcomes: **Equal**

$\uparrow$  long-term survival

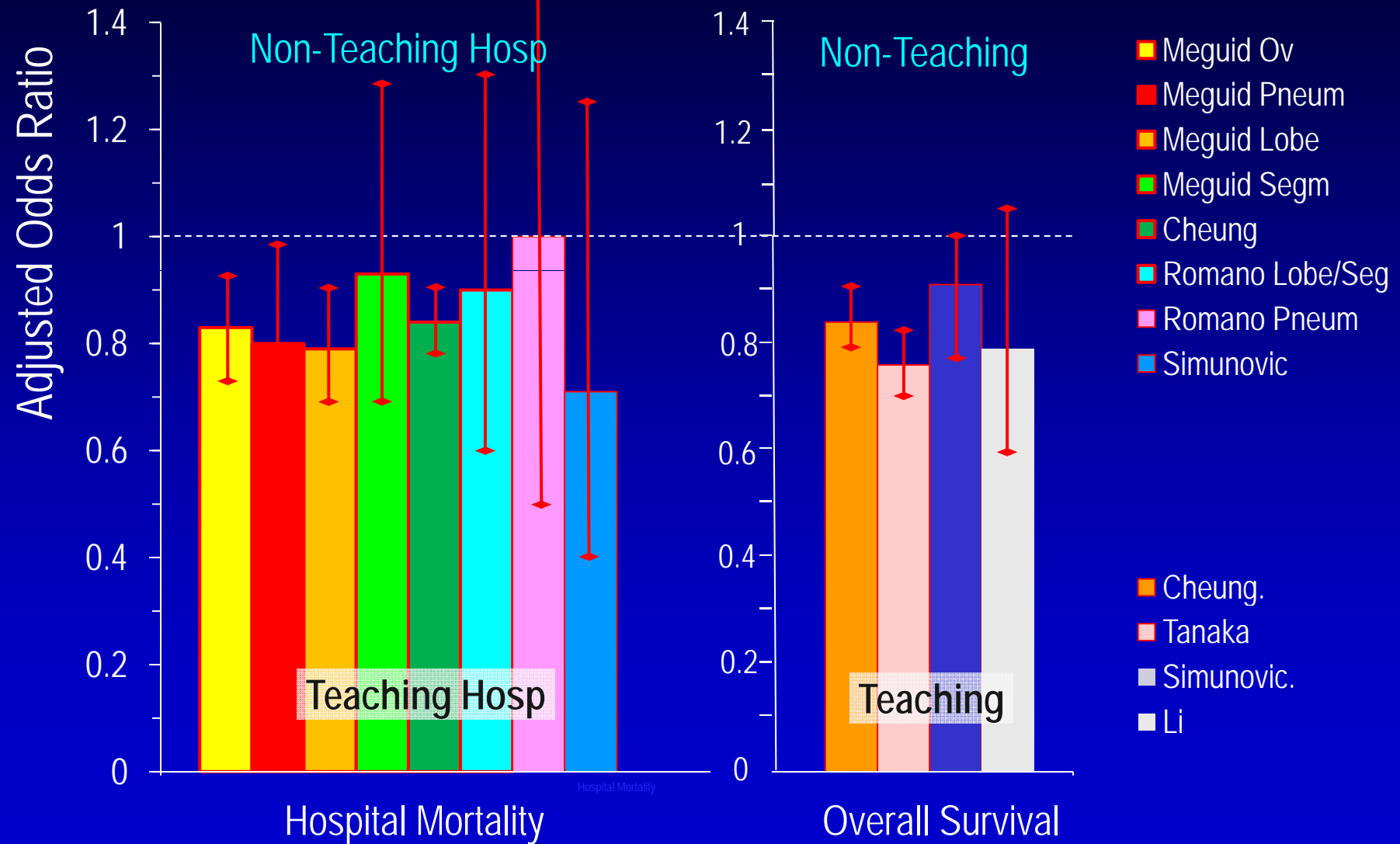
# Approach Used for Lobectomy



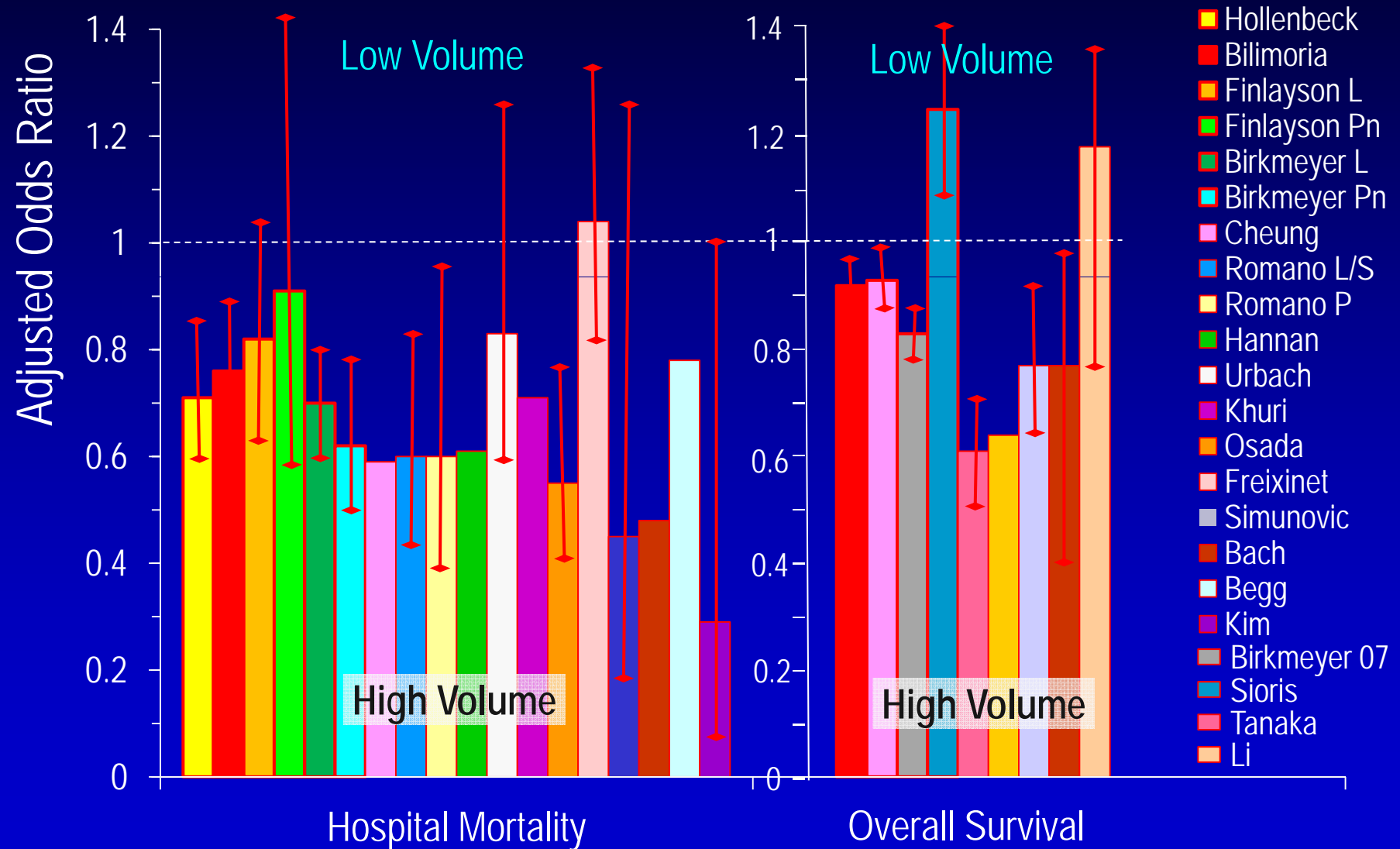
# Outcomes according to Specialization



# Outcomes according to Hospital Type



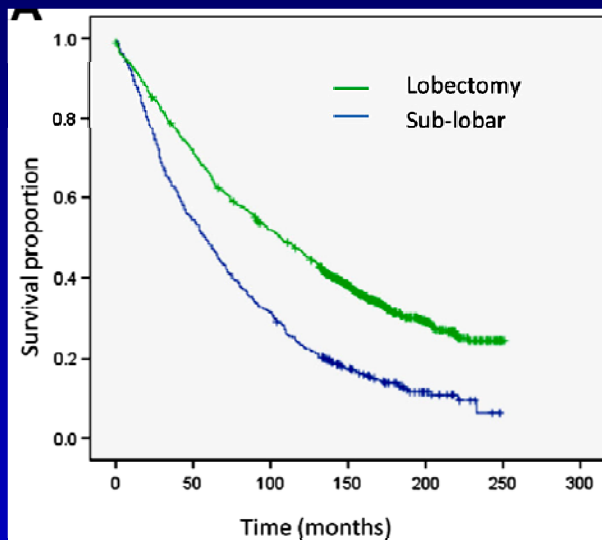
# Outcomes according to Case Volume



# Trends in SEER for $pI \leq 2\text{cm}$ NSCLC

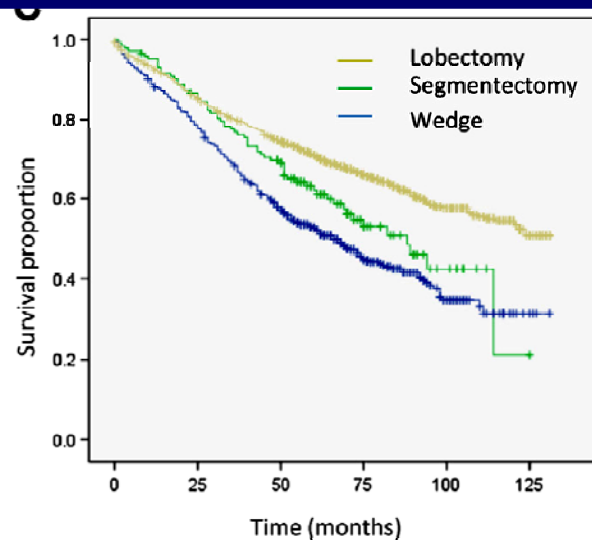
Segmentectomy may be appropriate for some patients

**1987-97**  
n = 1961



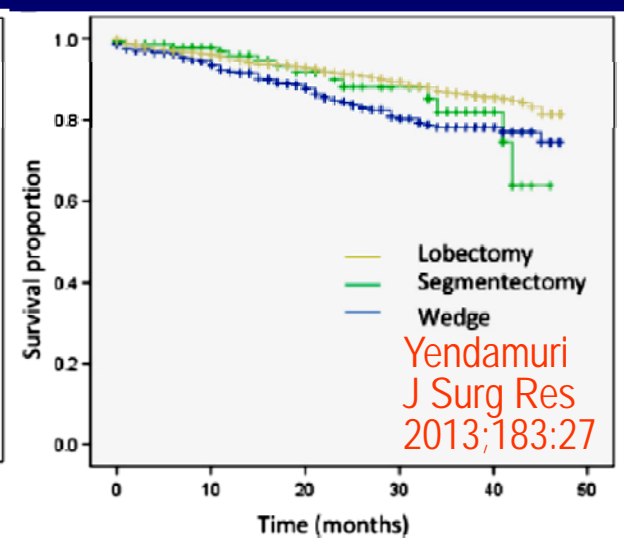
MVA: HR 1.41 (1.21-1.65)  
Predates codes for W vs Seg

**1998-2004**  
n = 3327



Wedge-HR 1.19 (1.01-1.41)  
Seg - HR 1.04 (0.80-1.36)

**2005-08**  
n = 3509

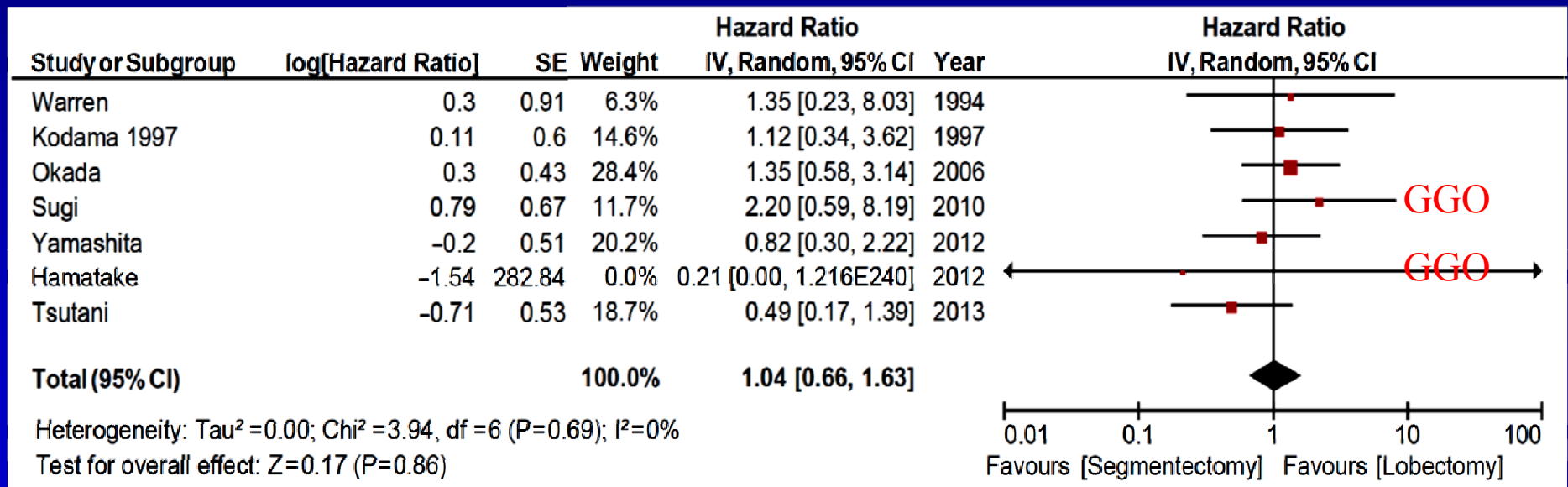


Wedge-HR 1.09 (0.79-1.50)  
Seg - HR 0.83 (0.47-1.45)



# Meta-analysis: Intentional Segment vs Lobe

Systematic Review (up to Dec 2013), metaanalysis  
 Subgroup of Intentional Segment vs Lobe for stage I  
 (7 studies, 1550 pts; > stage I in 5.8% Seg; 4.4% lobe;)  
 No Difference in OS or DFS



Overall Survival – HR 1.04 (0.66-1.63)

Ref: Cao Ann CardioThor Surg 2014;3:134-41

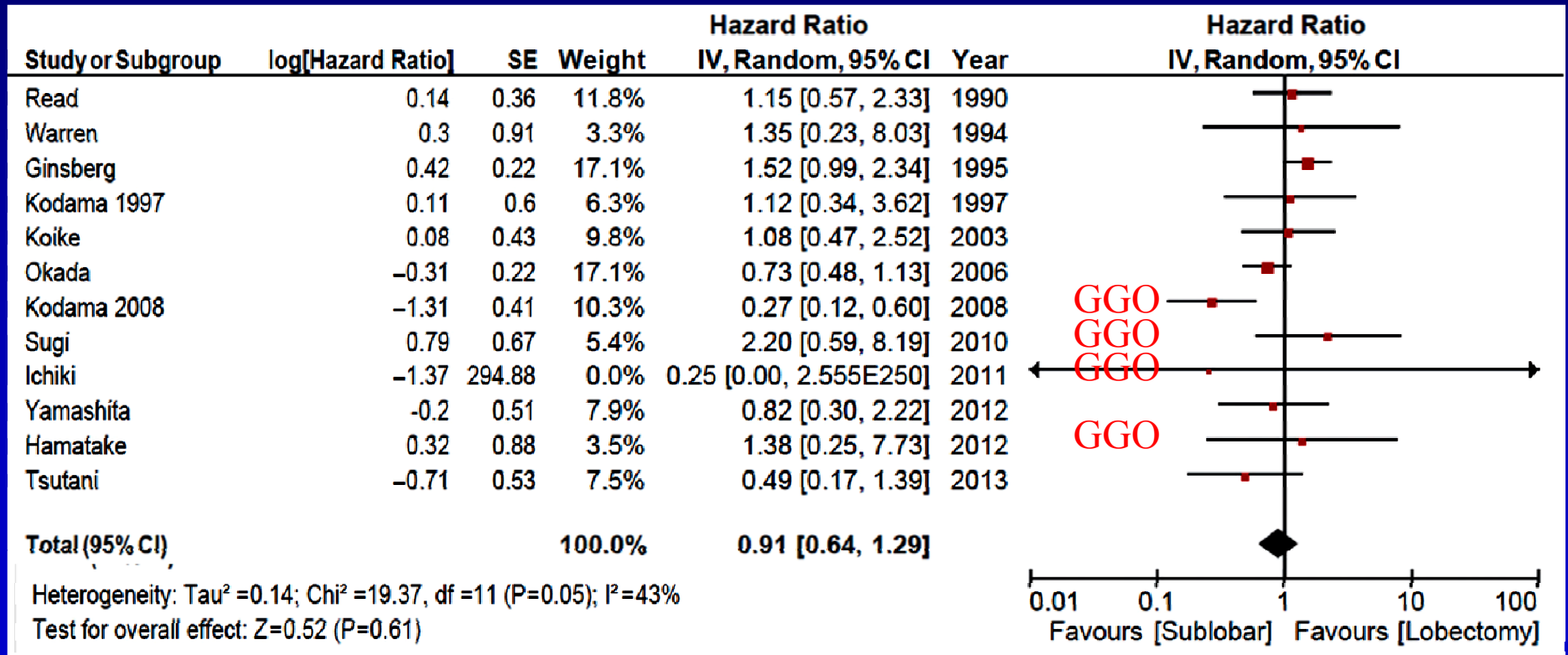
# Meta-analysis: Intentional Sublobar vs Lobe

Systematic Review, metaanalysis (12 studies, 2745 pts)

Intentional Wedge/Seg for stage I (> stage I in 3% SL; 6% lobe)

No Difference in OS or DFS

Size ~ 6mm smaller in wedge/Seg (~ 16 vs 22 mm)



Overall Survival – HR 0.91 (0.64-1.29)

Cao, Ann CT Surg 2014;3:134

# Types of Non-Randomized Comparisons

Subtype	Key Feature
Probably not confounded comparison	Cohorts well matched or multivariate model accounts for <u>all</u> known relevant factors
Possibly only mildly confounded comparison	Cohorts well matched or multivariate model accounts for most relevant factors
Probably confounded comparison	Inability to assess potential differences between cohorts Unclear impact of demonstrated differences
Clearly confounded comparison	Differences in cohorts being compared Known or presumed confounder is inseparable from the intervention

# NCDB Outcomes – cT1a N0 M0 NSCLC

National Cancer Database Outcomes study, 2003 to 2011  
clinical T1A N0 NSCLC, 13,606 patients

Short-term and long-term outcomes  
(30-day mortality, overall survival)

Detailed analysis - included most major prognostic factors

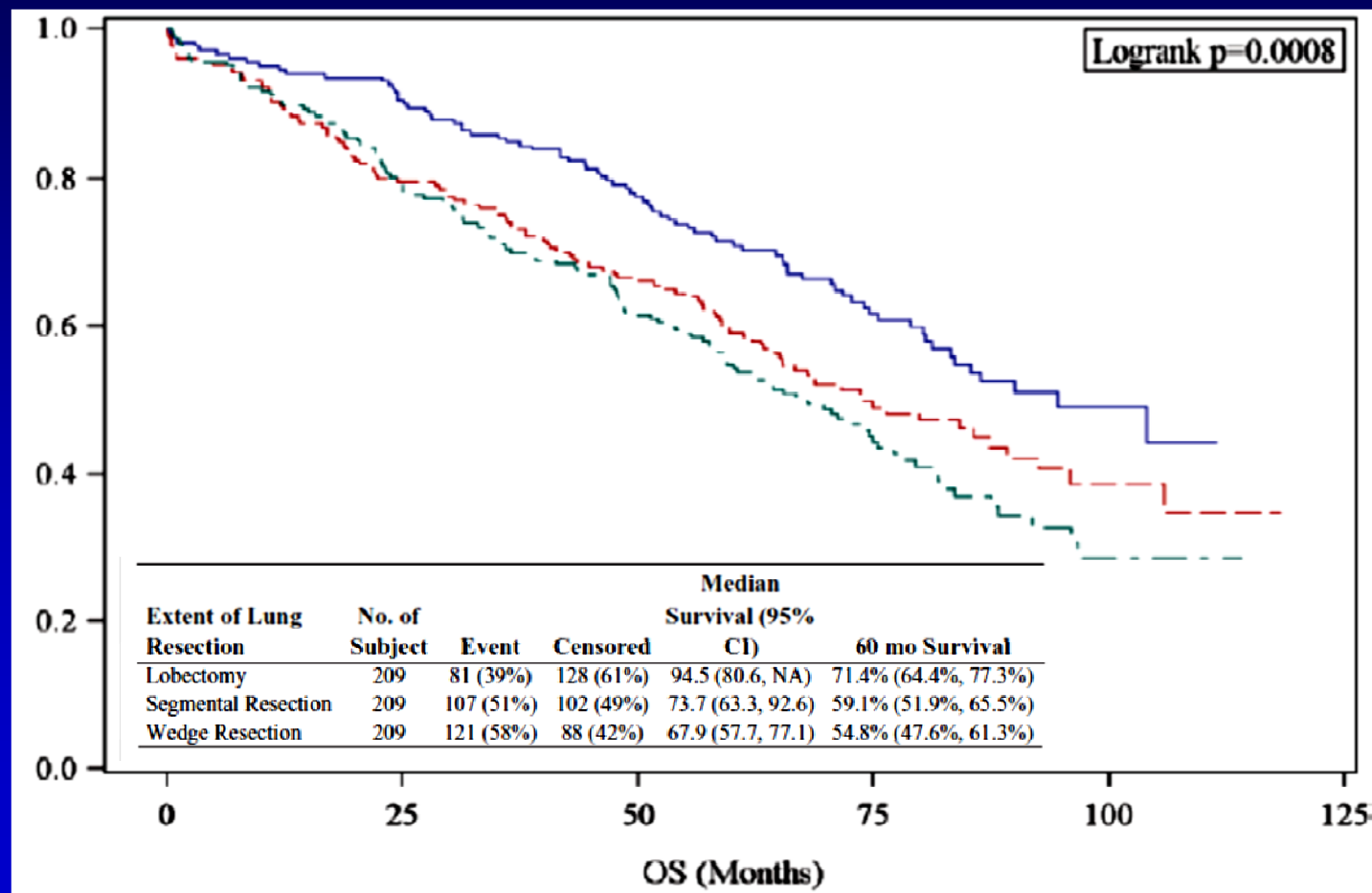
Propensity matched by all available prognostic factors

Categorized as a possibly only mildly confounded non-randomized comparison

# NCDB Outcomes – cT1a N0 M0 NSCLC

Propensity –matched cohorts (n = 209 each)

(age, sex, race, comorbidity; size, histology, grade;  
year, hosp type, insurance, income, education, urban/rural)



Lobectomy  
Segment  
Wedge

Ref: Khullar J Thor Onc 2015;10:1625-33

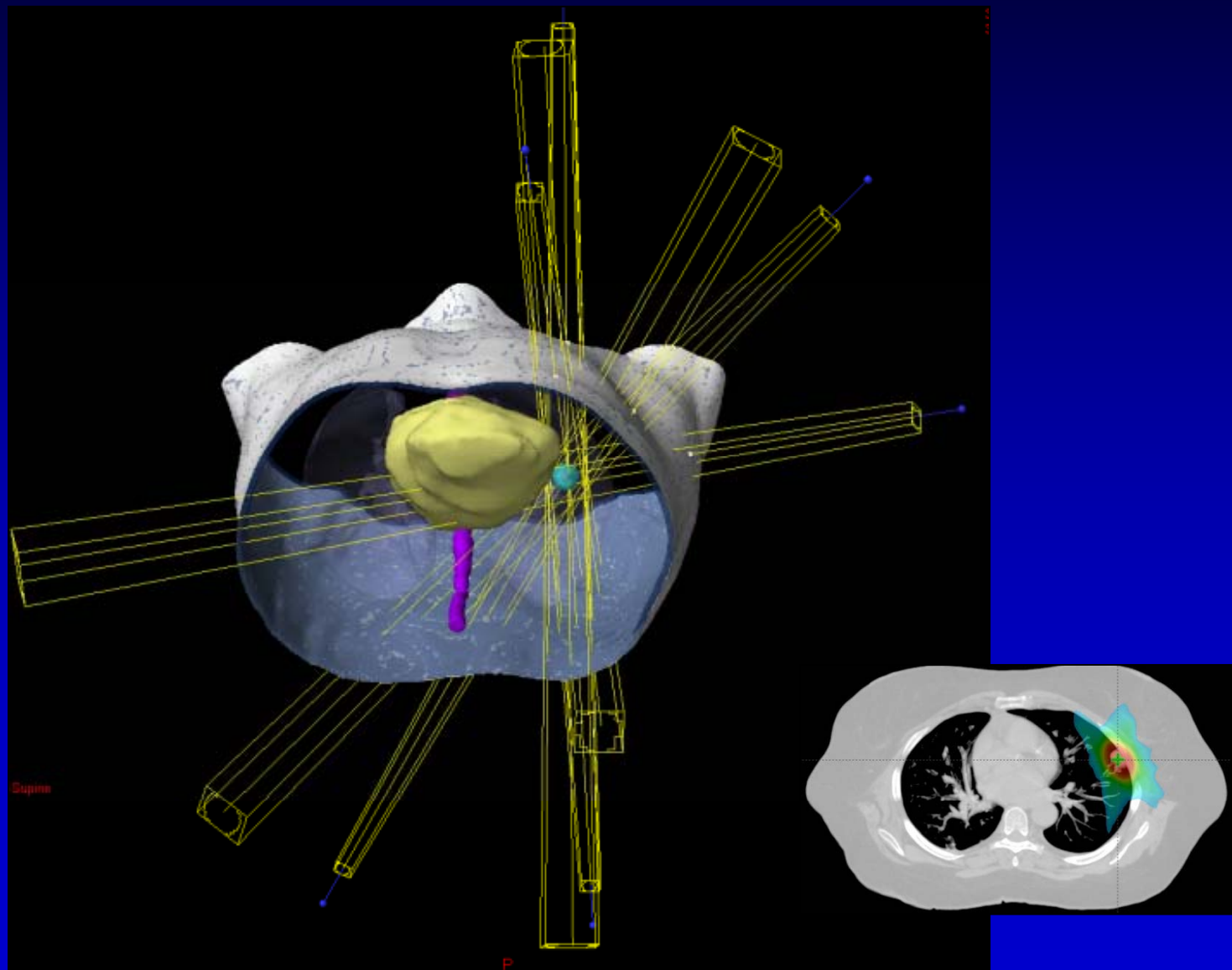
# Prospective Studies

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- CALGB 140503: RCT of lobe vs sublobar  
for T1aN0M0 solid NSCLC  
target accrual ~800
- WJOG 4607I: RCT of lobe vs Segment  
for T1aN0 Adeno semisolid GGO  
target 1100
- JCOG 0804/WJOG 1507I: phase II, wedge or Segment  
for pure GGO  $\pm$  minimal solid component  
target accrual 330

# SBRT – a Valuable Addition

# Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy





# Selected SBRT Prospective Reports

Trial	n	Dose	Local Control %	Overall Surv %
Kyoto	45	12 Gy x 4	<b>94</b>	83/72 (3-yr)
Scandinavian	57	15 Gy x 3	<b>92</b>	60 (3-yr)
Indiana	70	20 -22 x 3	<b>88</b>	43 (3-yr)
RTOG 0236	55	20 Gy x 3	<b>90-97</b>	56 (3-yr)
Heidelberg	42	19 -30 x 1	<b>68</b>	37 (3-yr)
Torino	62	15 Gy x 3	<b>88</b>	57 (3-yr)
Tohoku	31	15 x 3, 7.5 x 8	<b>78/40</b>	71 (3-yr)
JCOG 0403	100	12 Gy x4		60 (3-yr)
VU Univ	676	Risk - adapted	<b>90</b>	64 (2-yr)

# Outcomes After Stereotactic Lung Radiotherapy or Wedge Resection for Stage I Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer

Inga S. Grills, Victor S. Mangona, Robert Welsh, Gary Chmielewski, Erika McInerney, Shannon Martin, Jennifer Wloch, Hong Ye, and Larry L. Kestin

Retrospective comparison: Stage I NSCLC deemed ineligible for lobectomy

→ **no significant differences in:**

Local recurrence

4% SBRT v 20% wedge ( $p=0.07$ )

Regional recurrence

4% SBRT v 18% wedge

Distant Metastases

19% SBRT v 21% wedge

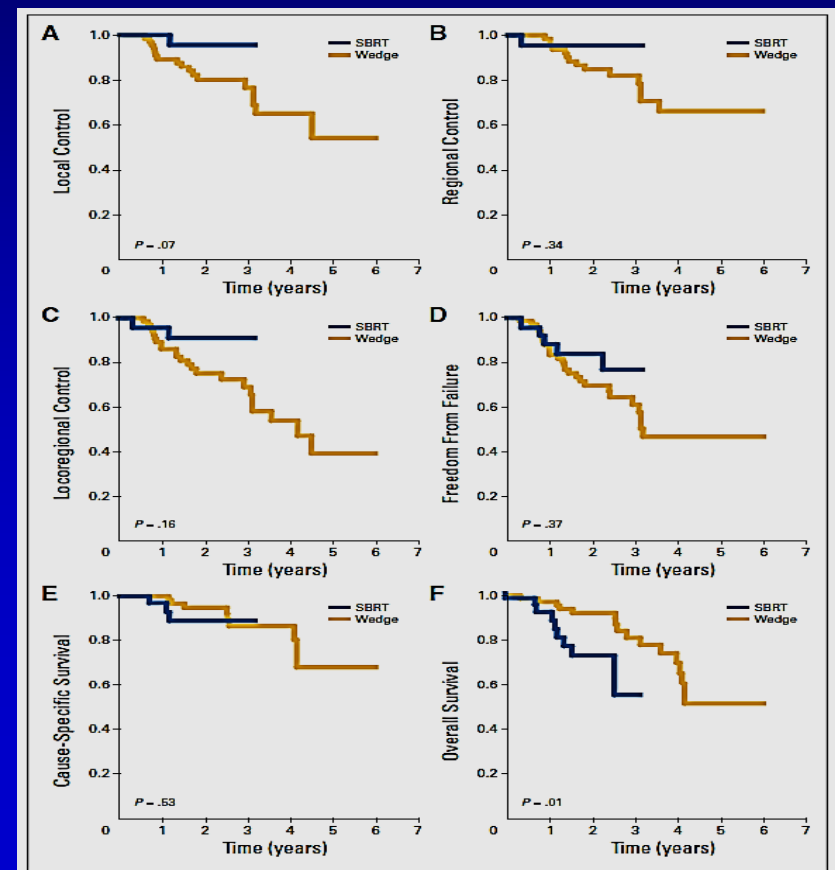
Cause-specific survival

93% SBRT v 94% wedge

Overall survival

72% SBRT v 87% wedge ( $p=0.01$ )

Clearly confounded non-randomized comparison

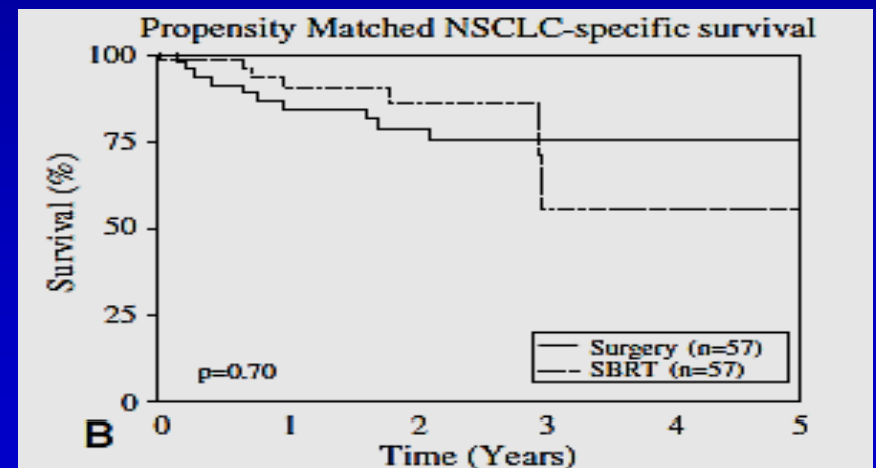
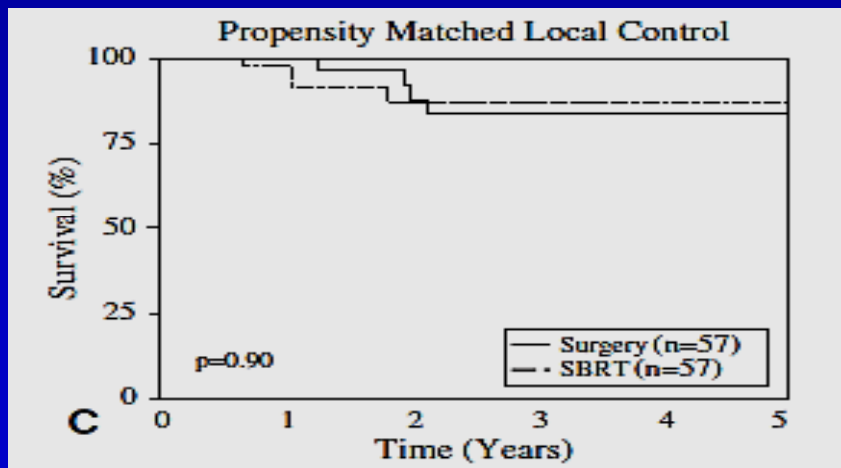


## Stereotactic body radiation therapy versus surgical resection for stage I non-small cell lung cancer

Traves D. Crabtree, MD,<sup>a</sup> Chadrick E. Denlinger, MD,<sup>a</sup> Bryan F. Meyers, MD,<sup>a</sup> Issam El Naqa, PhD,<sup>b</sup> Jennifer Zoole, BSN,<sup>a</sup> A. Sasha Krupnick, MD,<sup>a</sup> Daniel Kreisel, MD,<sup>a</sup> G. Alexander Patterson, MD,<sup>a</sup> and Jeffrey D. Bradley, MD<sup>b</sup>

### Propensity-matched retrospective review

- stage I NSCLC, included sub-lobe up to pneumonectomy
- No difference in 4-year local control (90%)
- No difference in 4-year regional control (80%)
- No difference in NSCLC-specific survival



Probably confounded non-randomized comparison

# SBRT for Operable Patients

## Prospective Randomized Trials

### Randomized

ROSEL Closed due to poor accrual

lobectomy versus SBRT

STARS Closed due to poor accrual

lobectomy versus SBRT (cyberknife)

ACOSOG Z4099/RTOG 1021 Closed due to poor accrual

sub-lobar resection versus SBRT

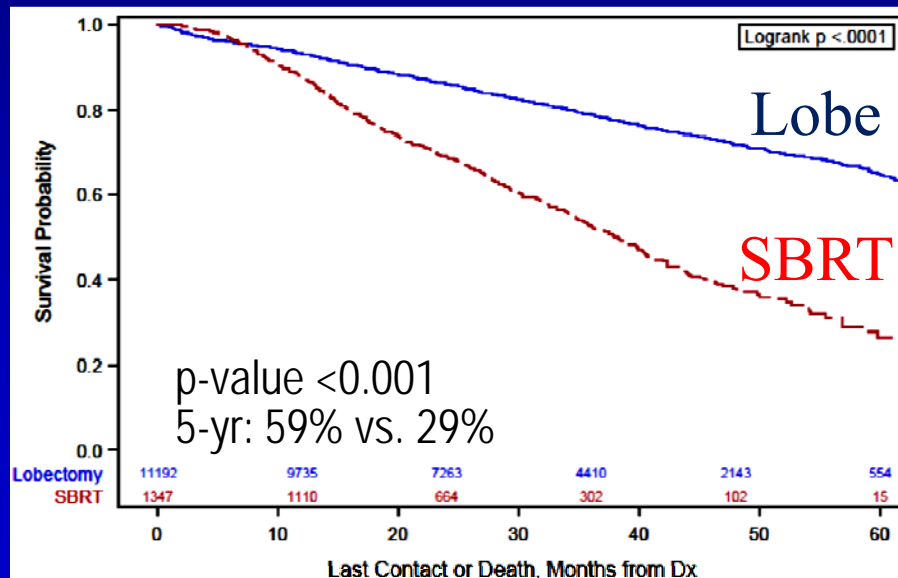
SABR-Tooth –ongoing, but

STABLEMATES-ongoing, but

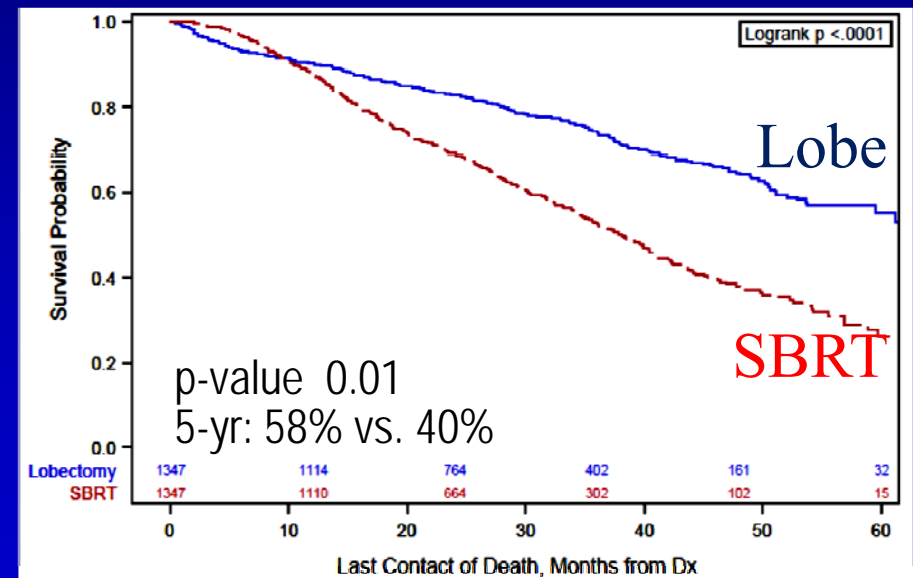
VALOR - ongoing, but...

# NCDB - Healthy cI NSCLC (no comorbidities)

- NCDB 2008-12 healthy cI pts: 13,562 Lobectomy, 1781 SBRT (BED 100-200)
- Propensity matched (1,781 pairs; matched for age, sex, race, T size, T site, cT stage, histotype, grade, insurance, income, education, rural/urban, facility type, location)
- Subset recommended for lobe, but refused (256 matched pairs)



Propensity Matched Pairs



Lobe recommended, P-matched

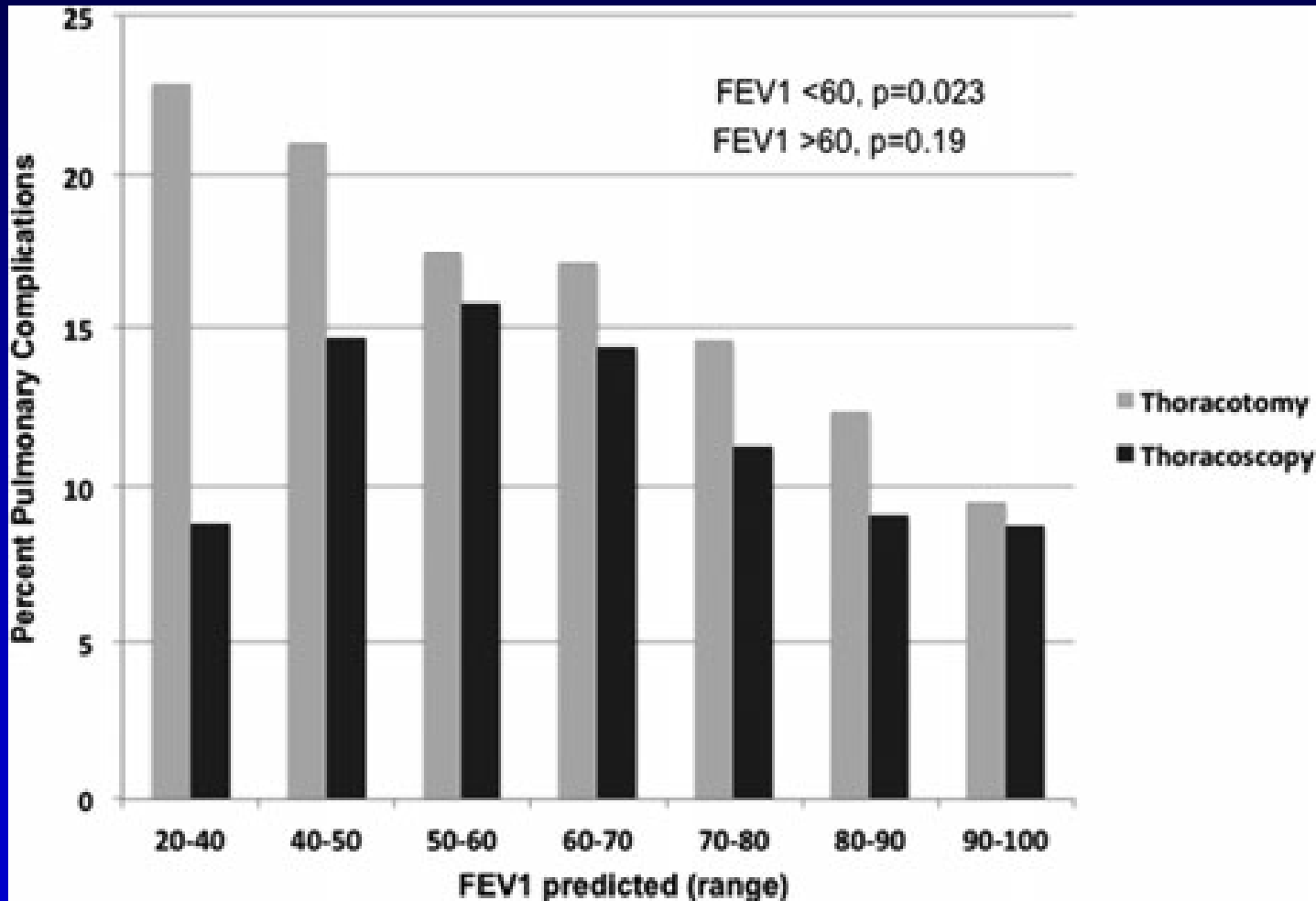
Possibly only mildly confounded non-randomized comparison

# Approach to the Compromised Patient

# Outcomes in Compromised Pts

STS DB 2000-10, 12,970 lobectomies for Lung Cancer

% Pulmonary Complications



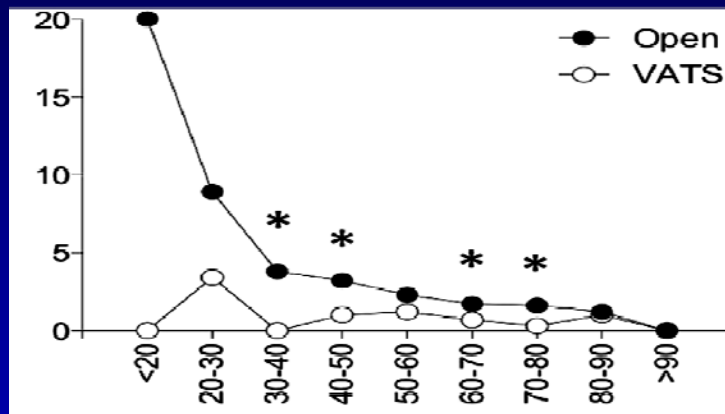
Ref: Ceppa Ann Surg 2012;256:487-93

# Outcomes in Compromised Patients

STS DB Lobectomies 2009-11 (n = 13,376)

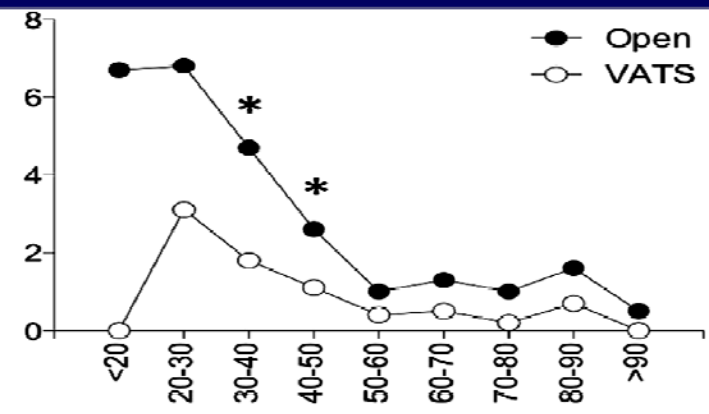
ppoFEV1 %

% Mortality

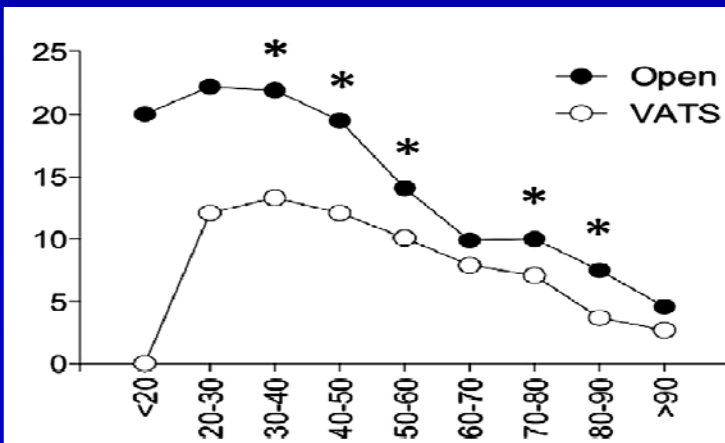


ppoDLCO %

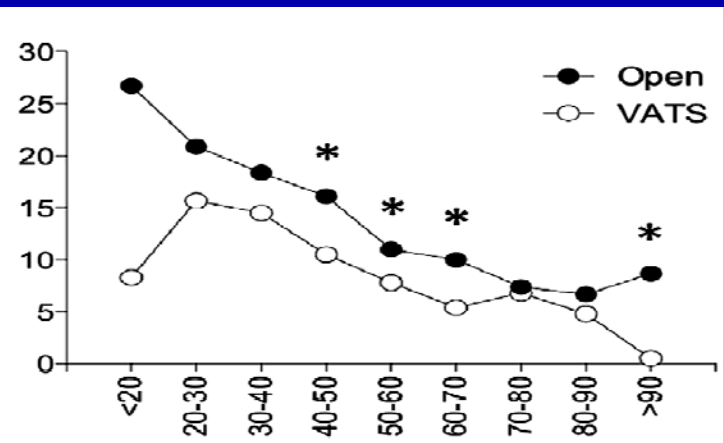
% Mortality



% CardioPulmonary Complications



% Complications



Ref: Burt JTCVS 2014;148:19-29



# Outcomes in Compromised Patients

	1 <sup>st</sup> Author, year	n	Source	Criteria	% Op Mort	% Complicatn	
						all	pulm
VATS	Sandri 15	141	Leeds	>75 yr, CAD, FEV1/DLCO <50	1.5		21 <sup>CP</sup>
	Berry 10	47	Duke	ppoFEV1 ≤45%	-	-	13
	Berry 10	28	Duke	ppoDLCO ≤45%	-	-	14
	Burt 14	210	STS	ppoFEV1 30-40%	0		13 <sup>CP</sup>
	Burt 14	127	STS	ppoDLCO 30-40%	1.7		14 <sup>CP</sup>
	Zhang 15	350	Sys Rev	ppoFEV1/DLCO ≤40% <sup>b</sup>	2.5	39	26
	Ceppa <sup>c</sup> 12	-	STS	ppoFEV1 ≤40%	-	-	18
	Burt 14	58	STS	ppoFEV1 20-30%	3		12 <sup>CP</sup>
	Burt 14	24	STS	ppoDLCO 20-30%	2.9		16 <sup>CP</sup>
Open	Berry 10	40	Duke	ppoFEV1 ≤45%			45
	Berry 10	27	Duke	ppoDLCO ≤45%	-	-	37
	Burt 14	260	STS	ppoFEV1 30-40%	3.5		22 <sup>CP</sup>
	Burt 14	148	STS	ppoDLCO 30-40%	4.4		18 <sup>CP</sup>
	Zhang 15	257	Sys Rev	ppoFEV1/DLCO ≤40% <sup>b</sup>	7.8	58	46
	Ceppa <sup>c</sup> 12	-	STS	ppoFEV1 ≤40%	-	-	23
	Burt 14	45	STS	ppoFEV1 20-30%	7.5		22 <sup>CP</sup>
	Burt 14	30	STS	ppoDLCO 20-30%	5.5		21 <sup>CP</sup>

# Outcomes in Older Patients

Author	Population	N		Morbidity %		Mortality %		5-year survival	
		lobe	SL	lobe	SL	lobe	SL	lobe	SL
Kilic	Stage I, age >75	106	78	25	11.5	4.7	1.3	47	46
Okami	Stage IA, age $\geq$ 75	79	54	24	24	-	-	74	68
Dell'Amore	Stage I-IIA age $\geq$ 75	218 <sup>a</sup>	71	-	-	5.5 <sup>a</sup>	2.8	40	38
Shirvani	Stage I SEER-MC	7215	1496	-	-	4	3.7	(75) <sup>b</sup>	(65) <sup>b</sup>
Liu	Stage I, age >70	122	45	-	-	0	0	61	63

<sup>a</sup> includes lobectomy and bilobectomy; <sup>b</sup> 3 year

# Limited Lung Resection: Outcomes

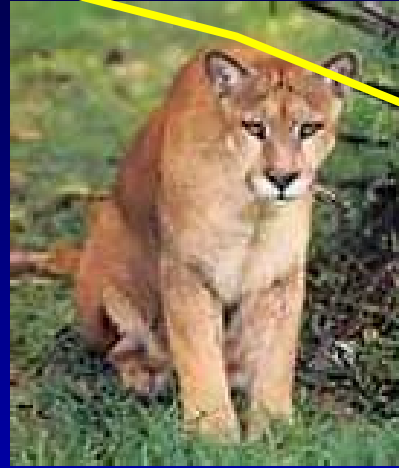
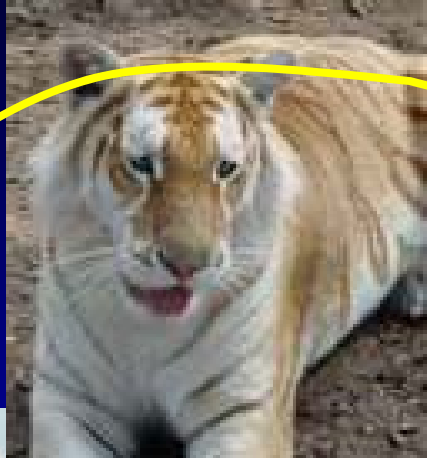
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Surgical Technique	<u>Low-Risk Pts</u>	
	% Op. Mort	% 5yr Surv
Open Lobe	1-4	75
VATS Lobe	1	75
Open Segment	0-1	65
Open wedge	0-1	55

\* Source: SWAG

# Conclusions

# All Beasts come in many Varieties



# Tailored Approach: Summary

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Binary treat/not treat thinking is inadequate

We know how to identify less aggressive lung cancers

Lung cancer may be a family of different cancers

We should weigh the behavior of (indolent) lung cancer vs co-morbidities

Observation allows you to assess behavior, weigh factors

Waiting for solid component  $>2\text{mm}$  (on mediastinal windows) is safe, may be best approach

Collect enough data points to be confident, given the variability in assessing small differences, different scans

# Advances in Stage I NSCLC

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Consider changes in overall outcomes, understanding of the nature of the cancer in question

Focus on solid/invasive component

Don't overtreat inconsequential or well-behaved cancers

Multifocal GG/L adeno is an easily identified entity – treat each lesion separately as indicated

Surgical advances: VATS, possibly segmentectomy (but be careful about margins!)

SBRT: clearly less morbidity, a good alternative in patients in whom surgical risk deemed to be high

Be critical of confounding factors when assessing evidence