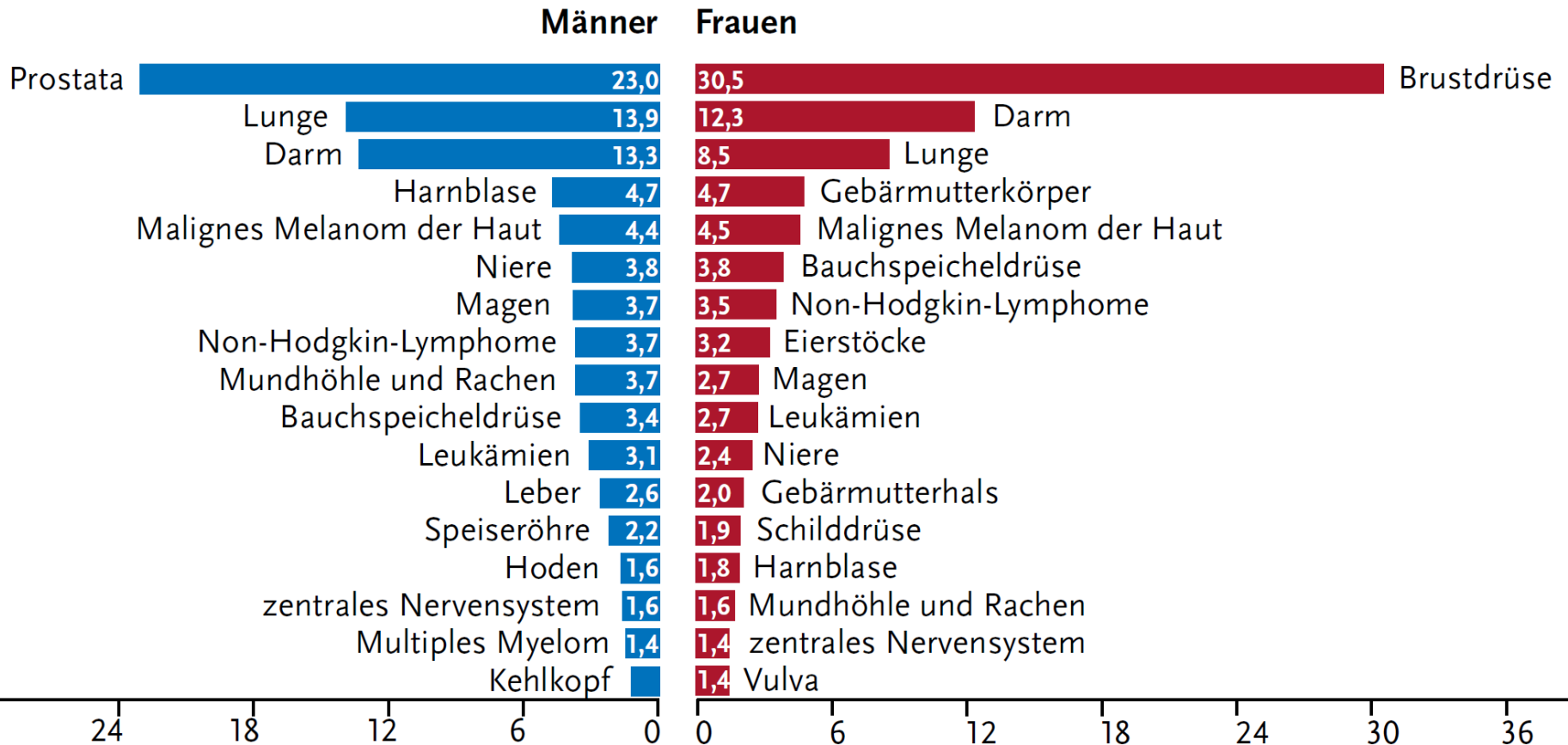


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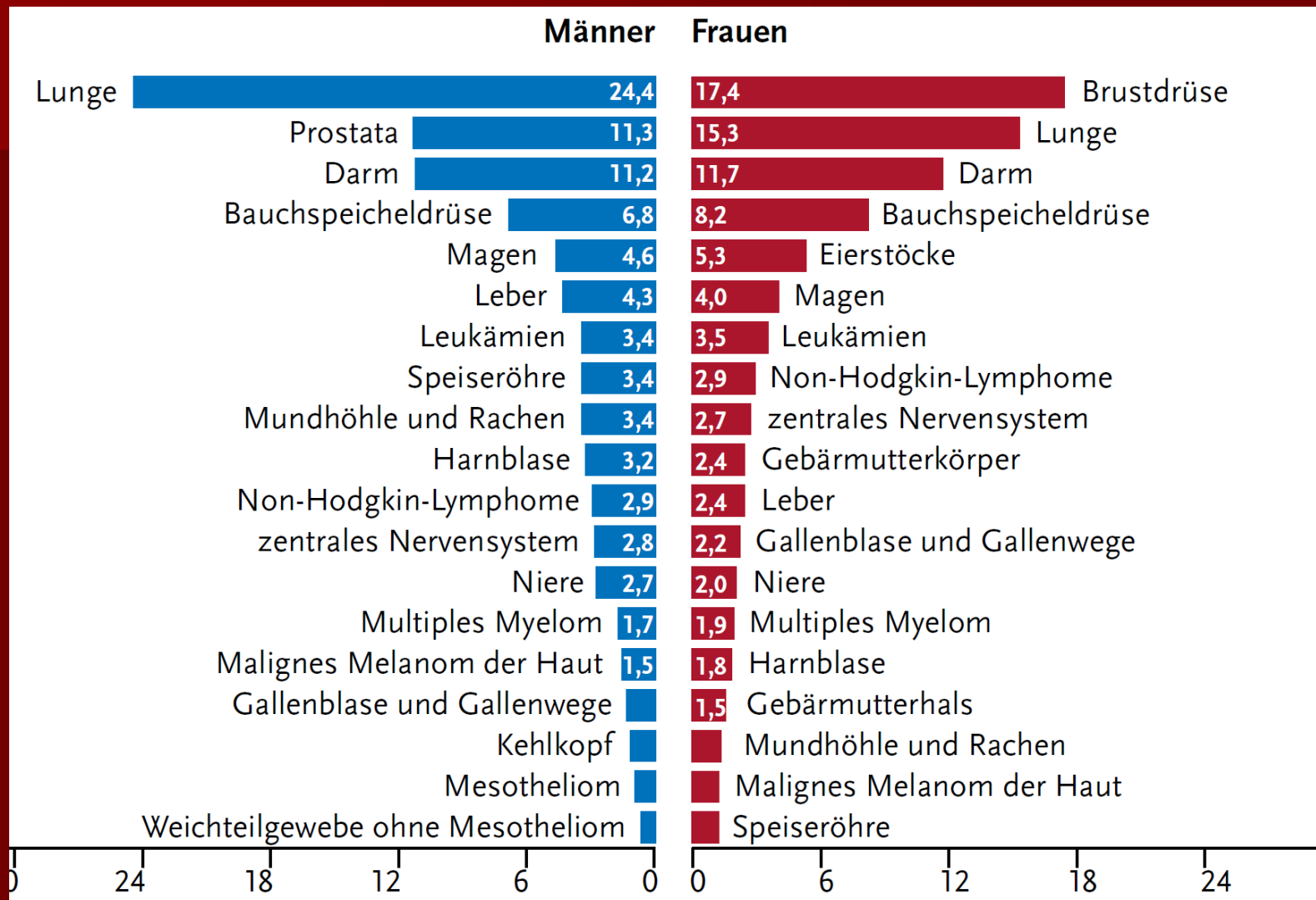
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# Incidence



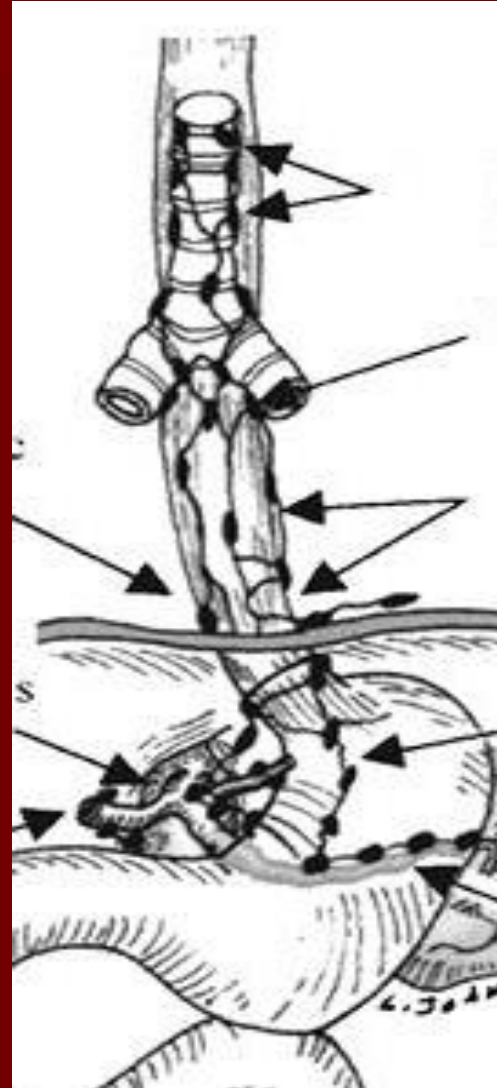
# Mortality



# Esophageal cancer epidemiology-etiology

- **Incidence:** 5700 male / 1700 female
- **Mortality:** 4269 male / 1238 female
- **Etiology**
  - Smoking
  - Alcohol consumption
  - Hot food (>60 °C)
  - Obesity - GERD
  - H. pylori (squamous -, adenocarc. +)
  - HPV?
  - Barrett-oesophagus

# Anatomy



# Symptoms and clinical workup

## ■ Symptoms

- Dysphagia
- Pain
- Bleeding

## ■ Imaging

- Barium swallow
- Endoscopic US
- CT
- PET/CT

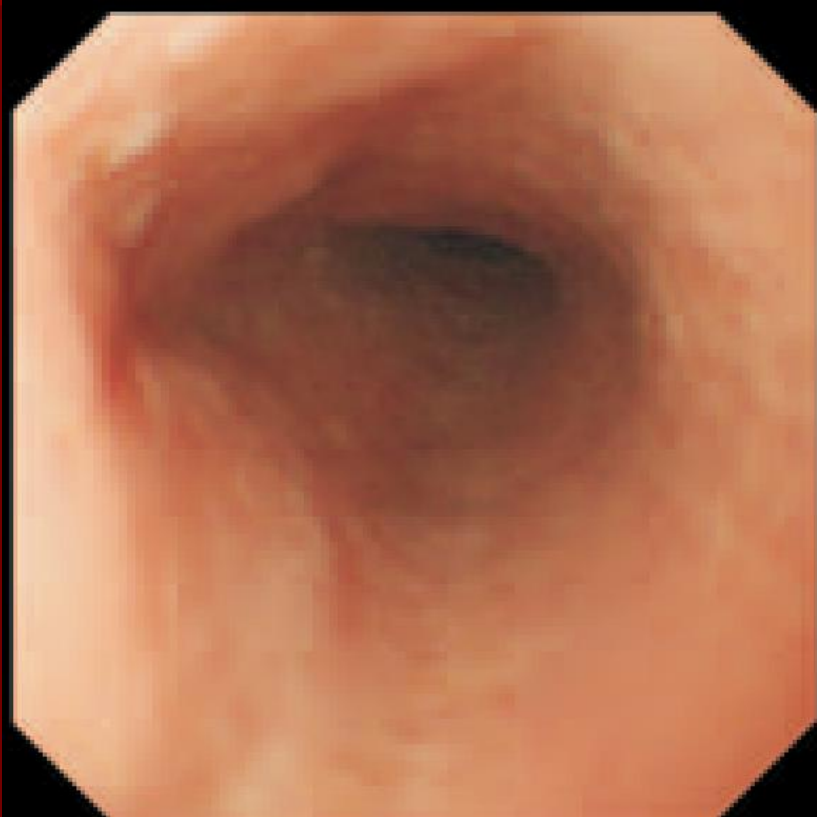
## ■ Histology

- Usually through endoscopy
- 99% epithelial cancer
- Squamous cell
- Glandular cell (adenocarcinoma)  
incidence increasing

# Barium swallow

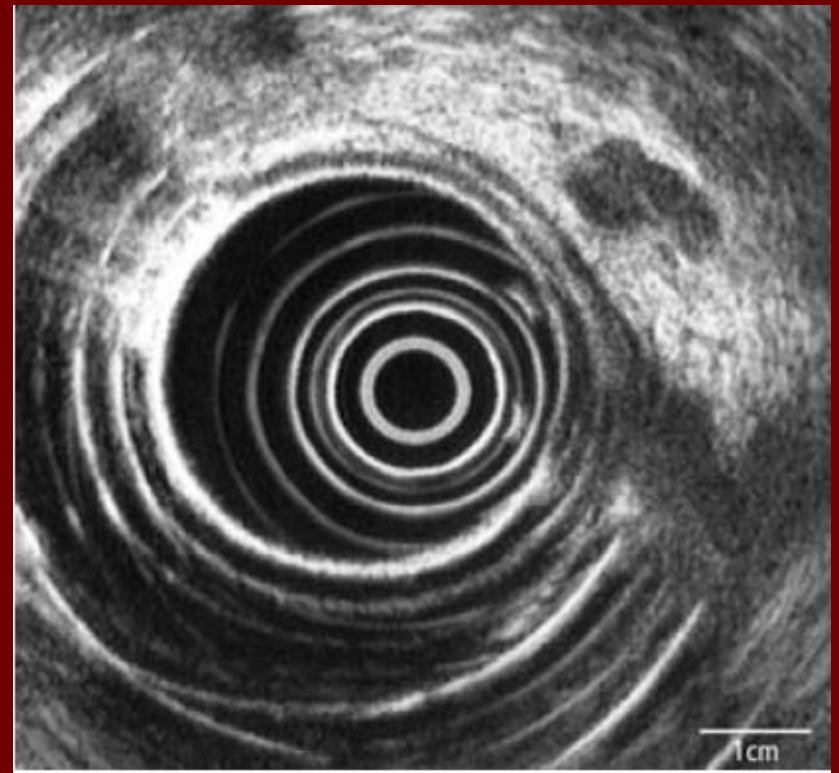
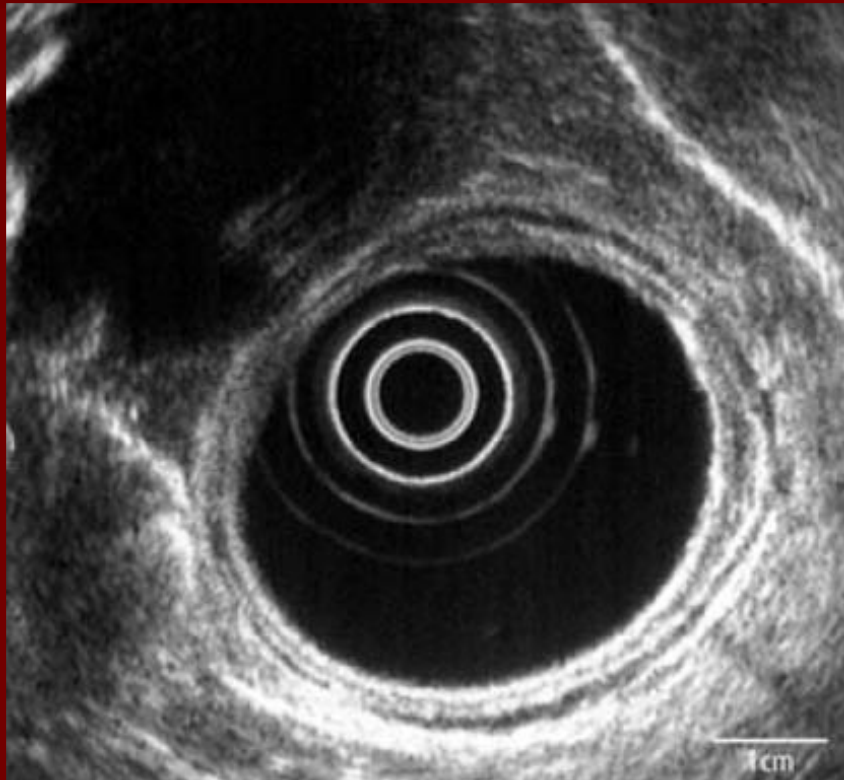


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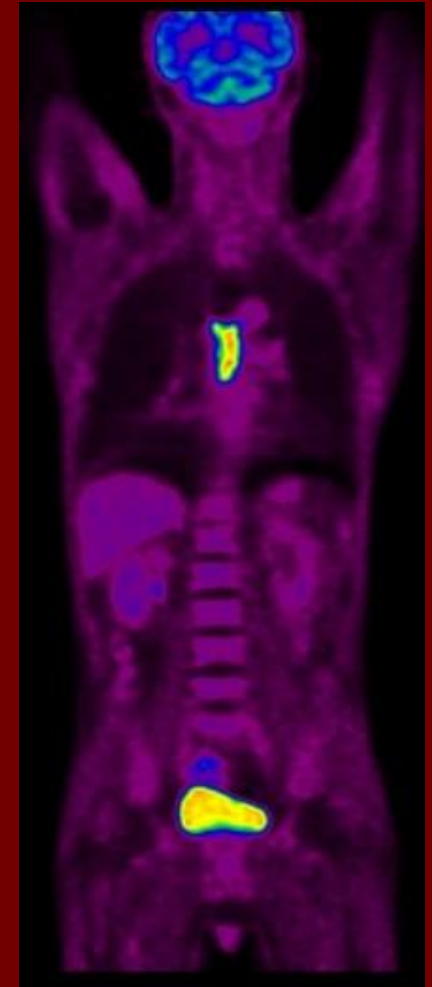
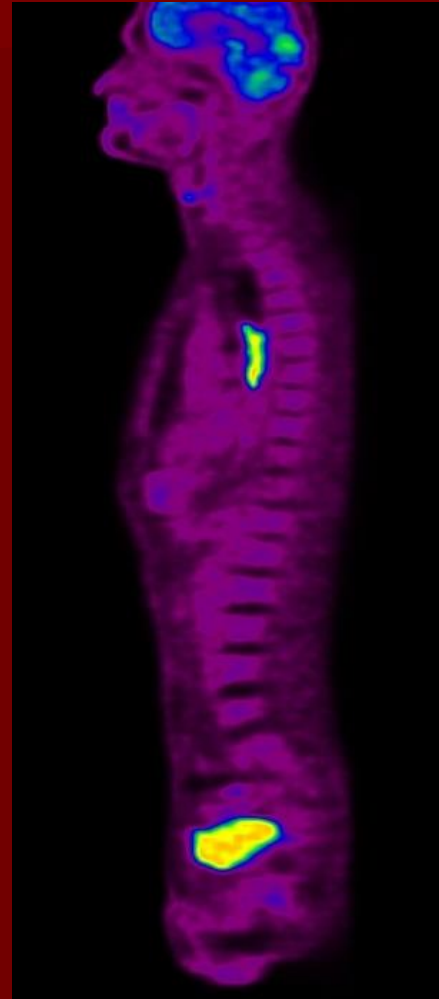




# EUS



# CT – PET/CT



# Staging (TNM /AJCC)

<b>Tumour (T)</b>	
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<b>T1b</b>	Tumour invades the submucosa
<b>T2</b>	Tumour invades the muscularis propria
<b>T3</b>	Tumour invades the adventitia
<b>T4a</b>	Resectable tumour, invades the pleura, pericardium, or the diaphragm
<b>T4b</b>	Unresectable tumour, invades the aorta, vertebral body, or trachea

<b>Lymph node status (N)</b>	
<b>N0</b>	No regional lymph node metastases
<b>N1</b>	1-2 regional lymph node metastases
<b>N2</b>	3-6 regional lymph node metastases
<b>N3</b>	>7 regional lymph node metastases
<b>Metastases (M)</b>	
<b>M0</b>	No distant metastases
<b>M1</b>	Distant metastases are present

# Principles of treatment

## ■ Upper third

- Concomitant chemoradiation

## ■ Middle-lower third

- Surgery
- Concomitant chemoradiation
- Surgery + adjuvant chemoradiation (only cardia)
- Neoadjuvant chemoradiation +/- surgery

## ■ Metastatic disease

- Chemotherapy or best supportive care
- Targeted therapy, immunotherapy not yet established

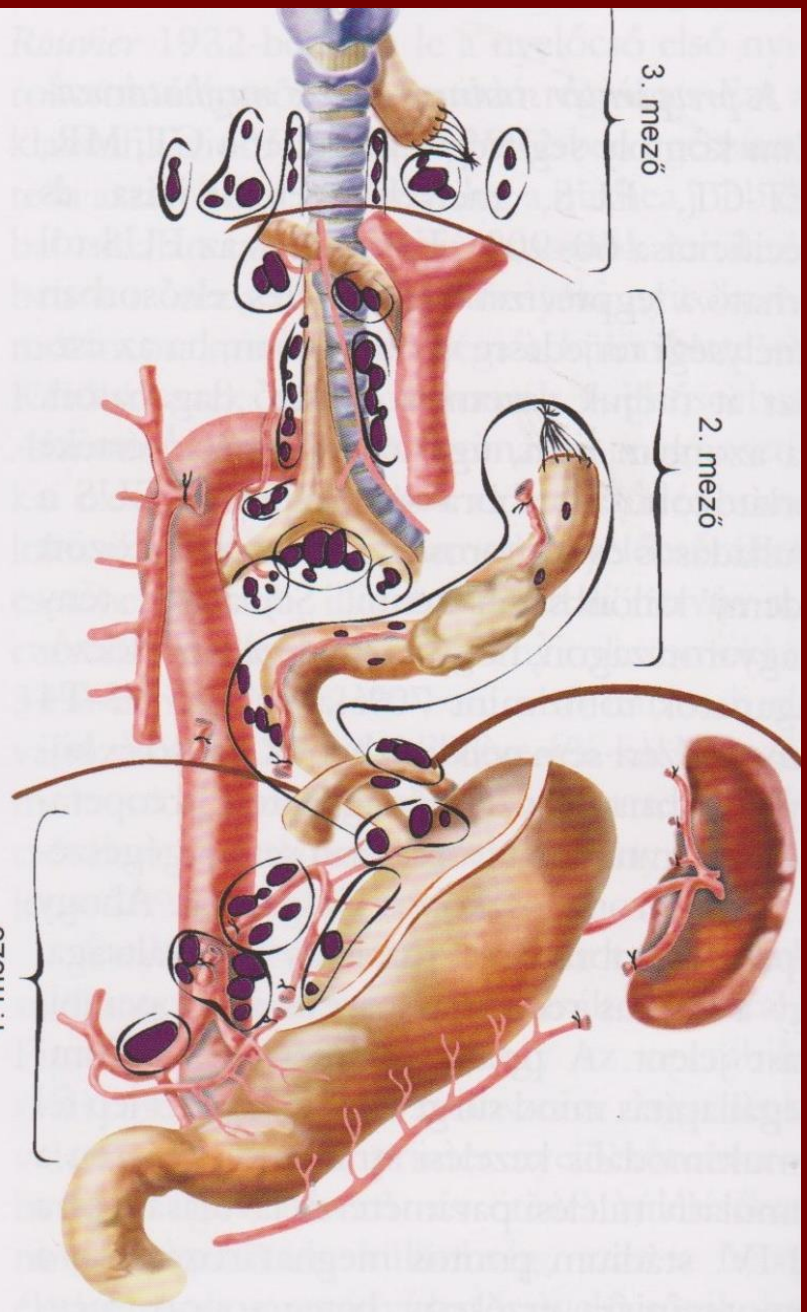
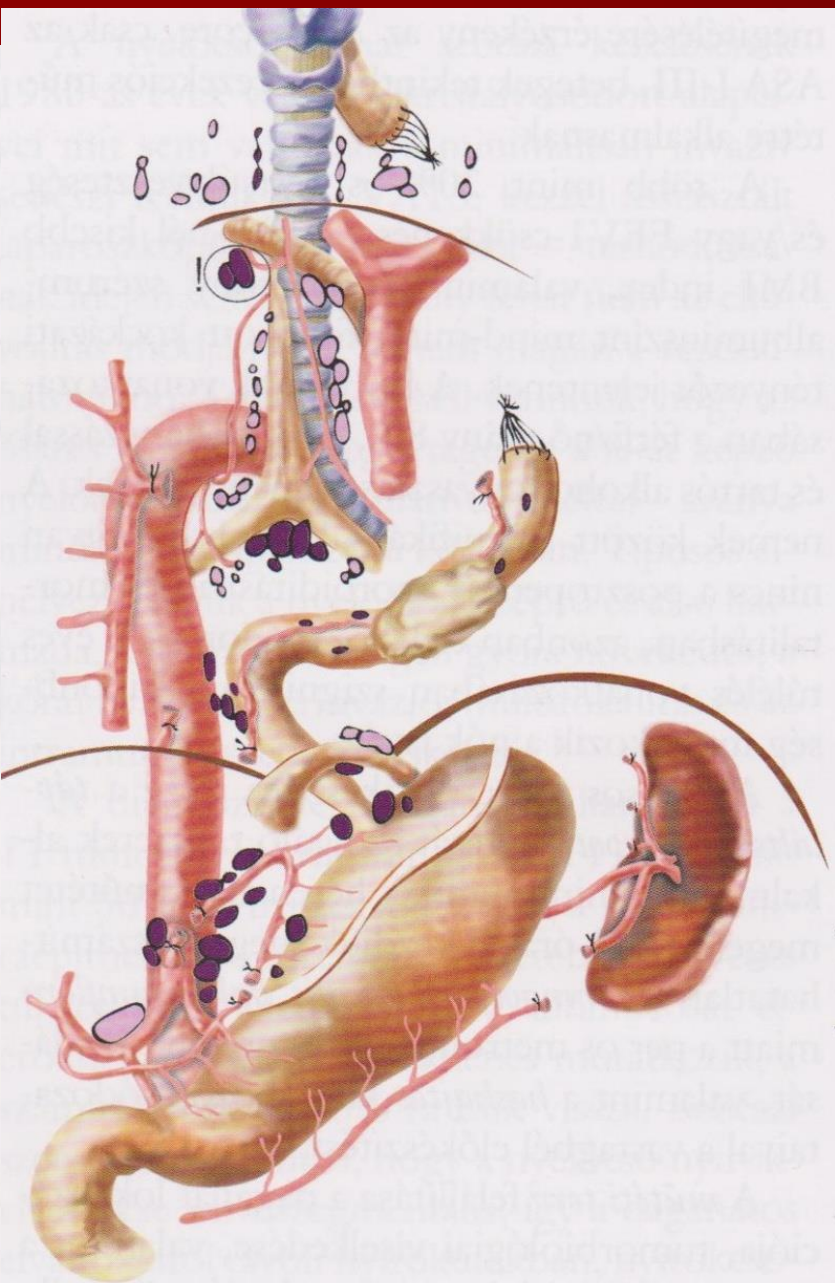
## ■ Unfit patients of any stage

- Best supportive care

# Surgery

- Open and minimal invasive techniques
  - Endoscopic surgery or small tumors
  - Excision of the esophagus
  - Replacement (stomach, bowel)
  - Thoracic / abdominal or abdominal approach
- Lymphadenectomy



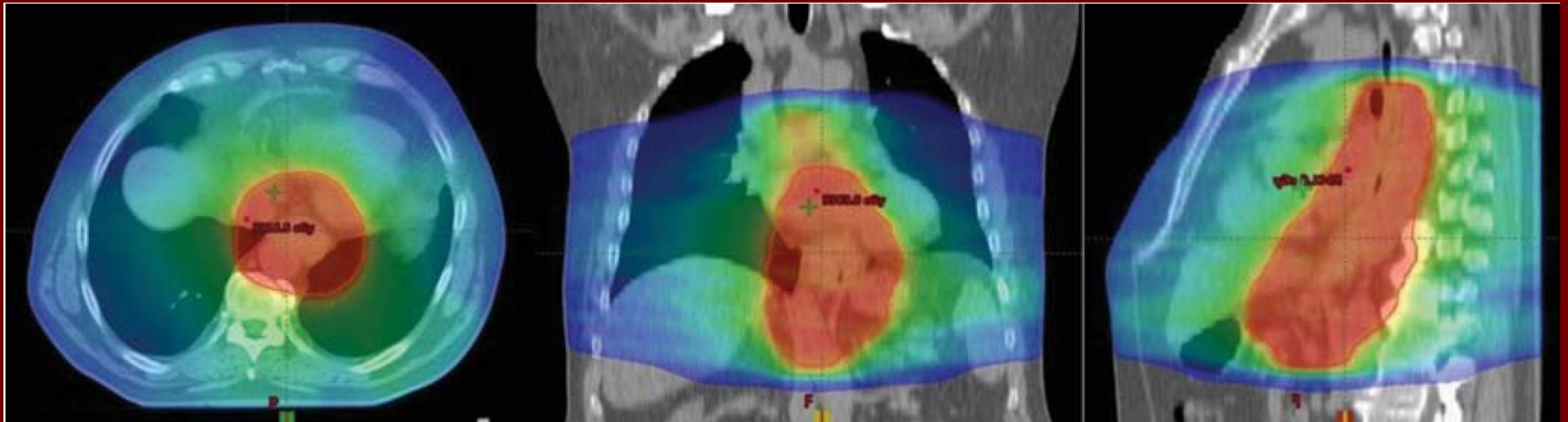


# Radiotherapy/chemoradiation

- External beam radiotherapy
  - Megavoltage X-ray / Linear accelerator
    - CT / PET fusion based conformal / IMRT
    - Dose: 45-50,4 Gy / 1,8 Gy / fraction
- Concomitant chemotherapy
  - Cisplatinum-5 FU
  - Taxane + carboplatin
  - FOLFOX

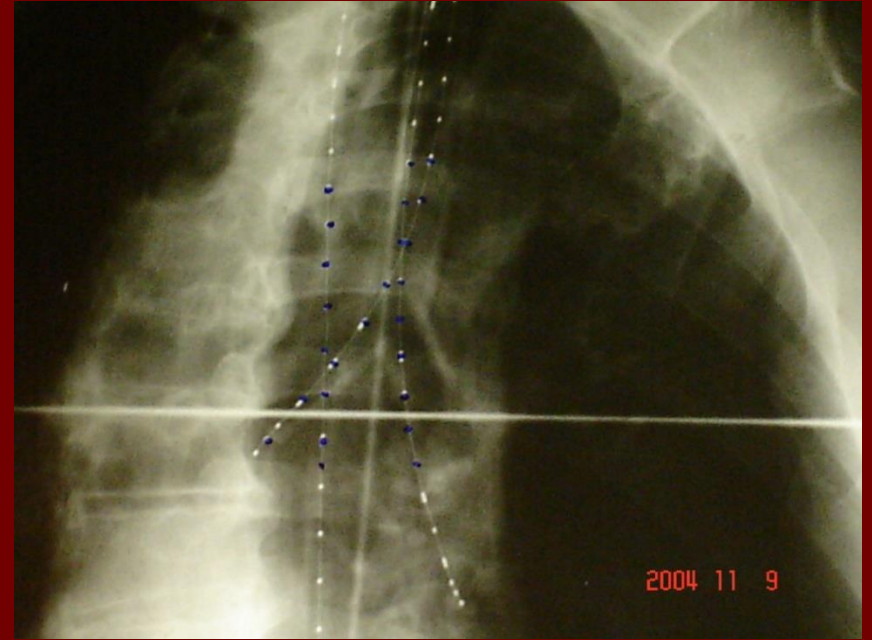


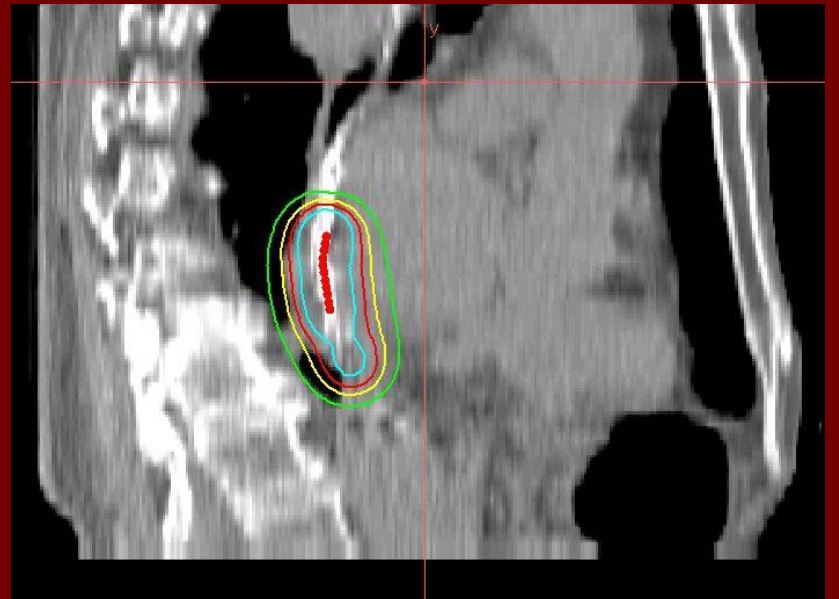
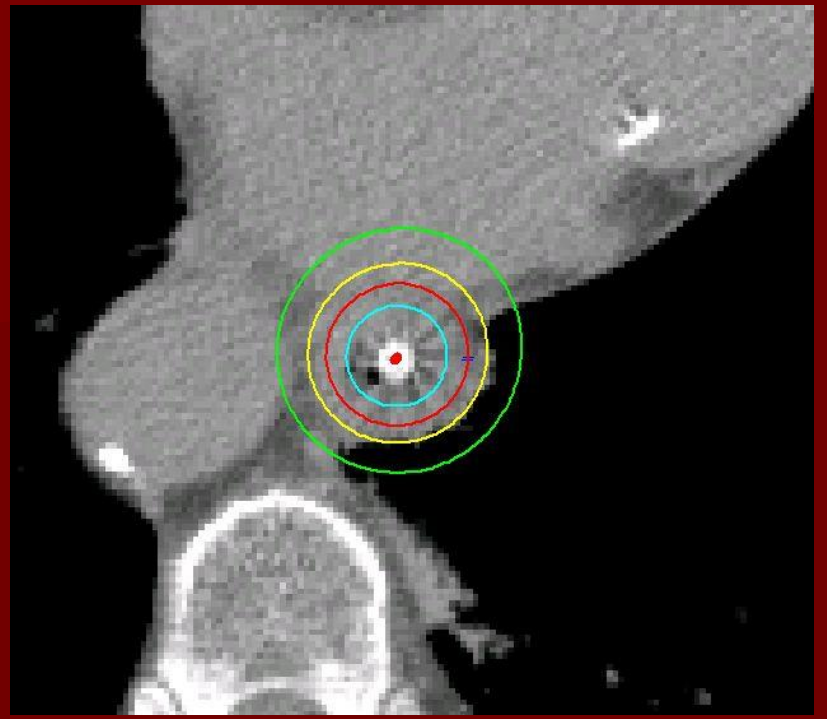
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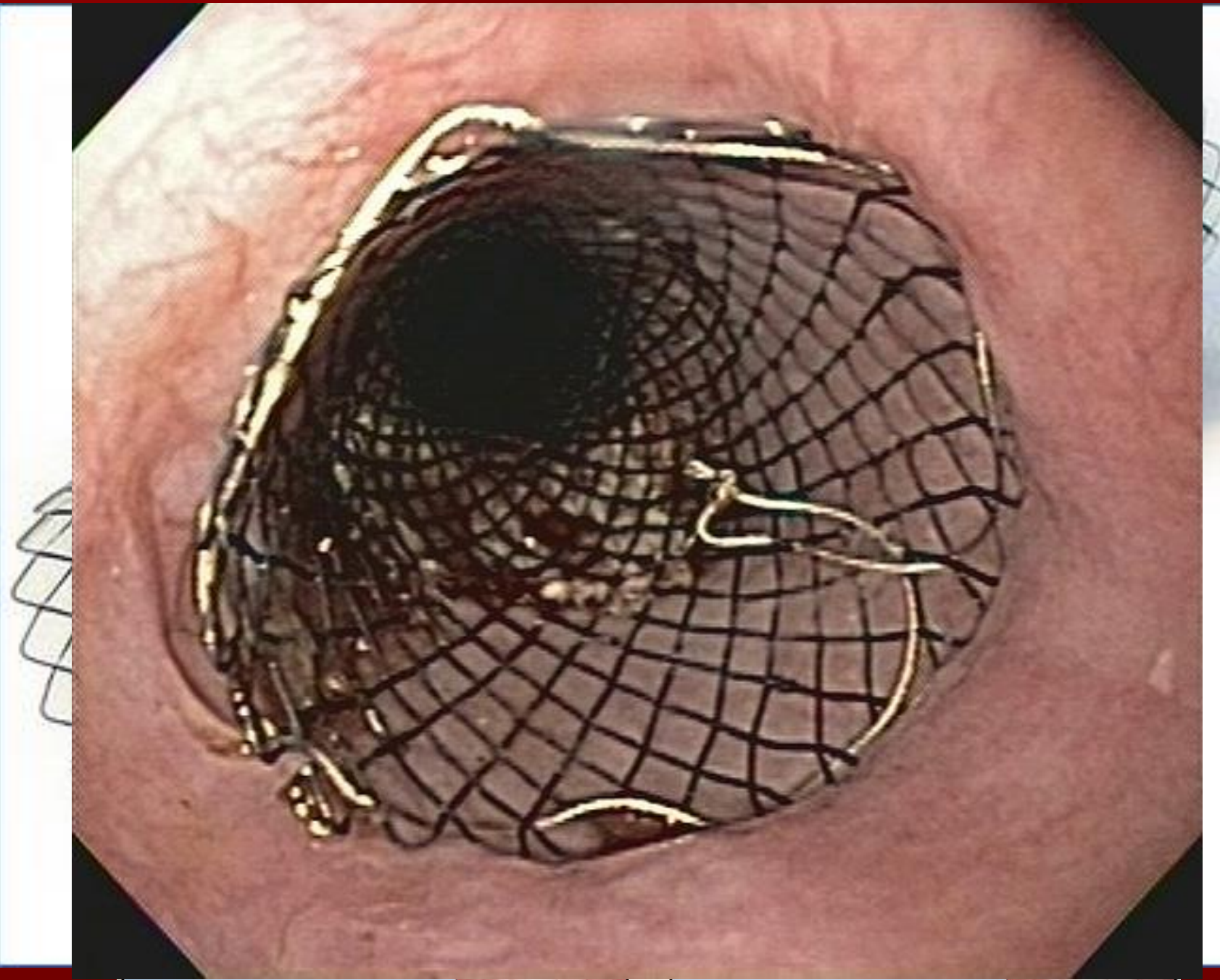


# **Dysphagia management**

# Brachytherapy







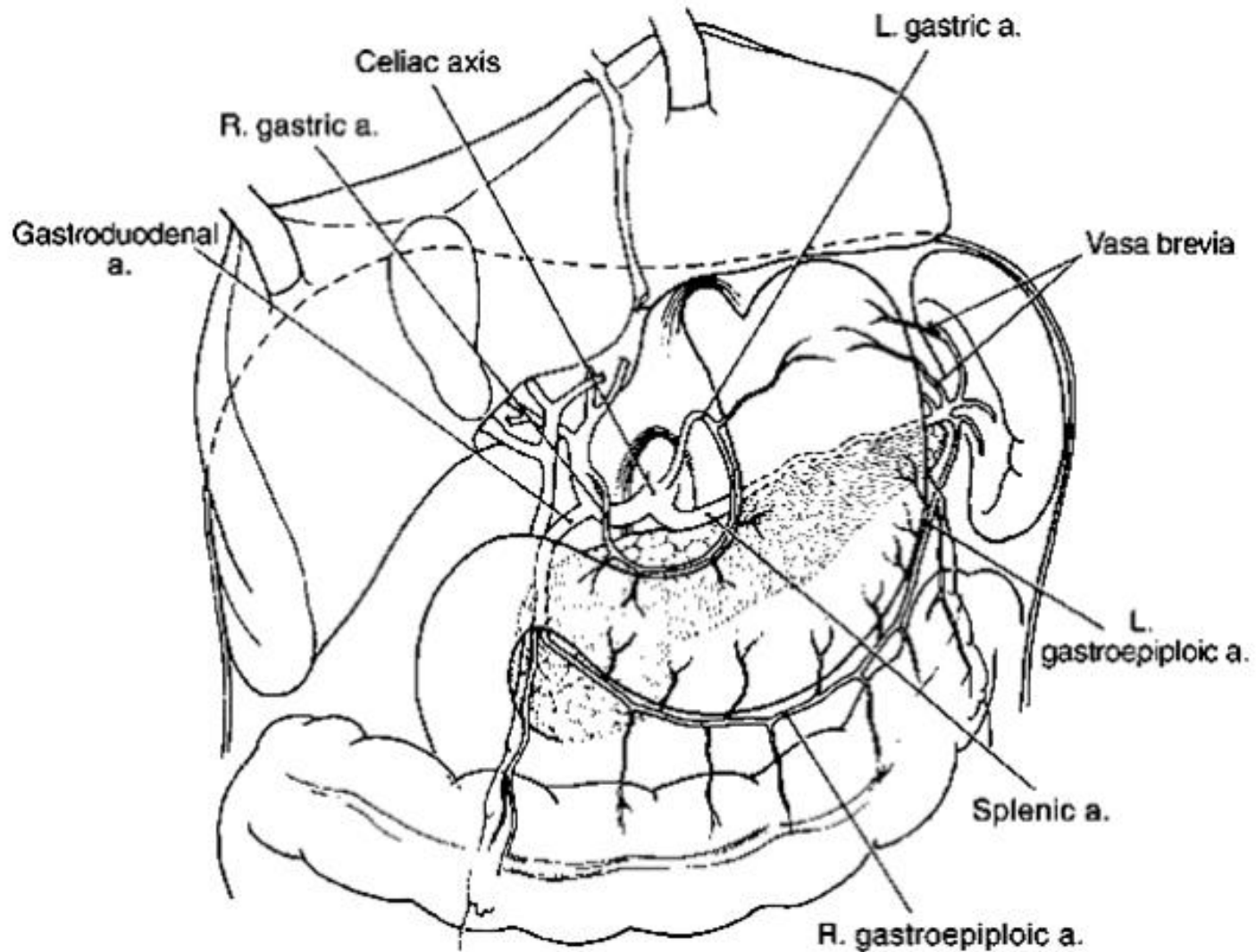
# Results of therapy per stage

Stage	TNM	5-year survival (%)
0	Tis N0 M0	100
I	T1 N0 M0	57
II/A	T2 N0 M0 T3 N0 M0	40
II/B	T1 N1 M0 T2 N1 M0	25
III	T3 N1 M0 T4 N0-1 M0	10
IV	M1	~5

# Gastric cancer

- **Incidence:** 9100 male, 5600 female
- **Mortality:** 5429 male, 3829 female
- **Etiology**
  - Diet: salt, nitrates (drinking water), smoked food
  - Coal mining, tyre / rubber industry
  - Smoking
  - H. pylori, Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV)
  - Previous Billroth II-type resection
- **Symptoms**
  - Anemia, weight loss, lack of appetite abdominal pain, bloody vomit, and tarry stool

# Anatomy





# Clinical workup

## ■ Histology

- Endoscopy
- Mostly adenocarcinoma
  - Several subtypes (Lauren, Bormann)
  - Diffuse vs intestinal

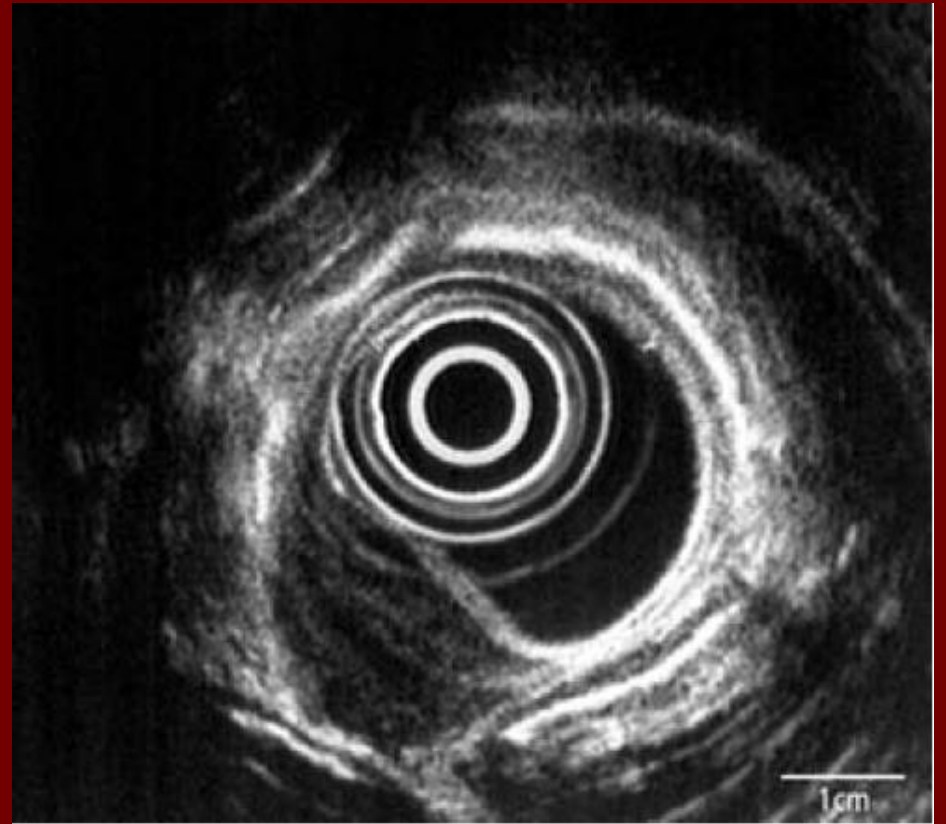
## ■ Imaging

- Barium swallow
- EUS
- CT
- PET/CT

# Barium swallow



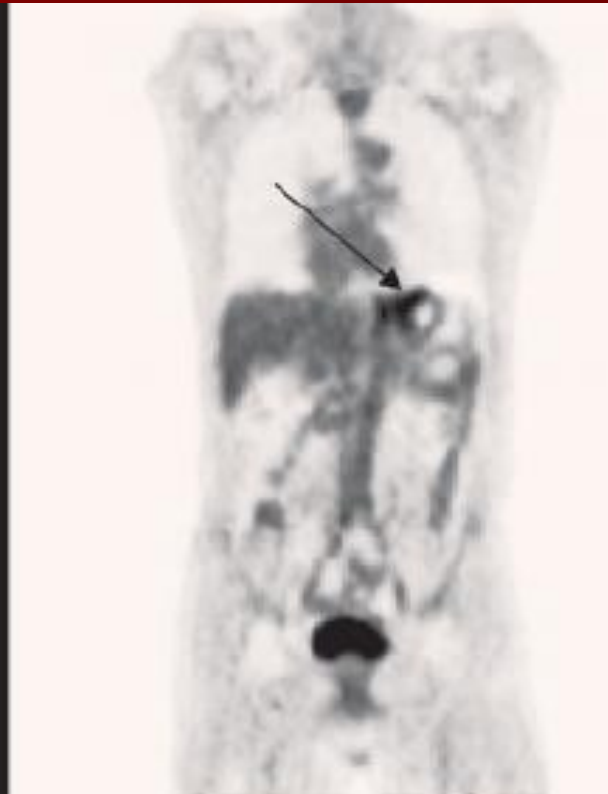
# Endoscopy + EUS



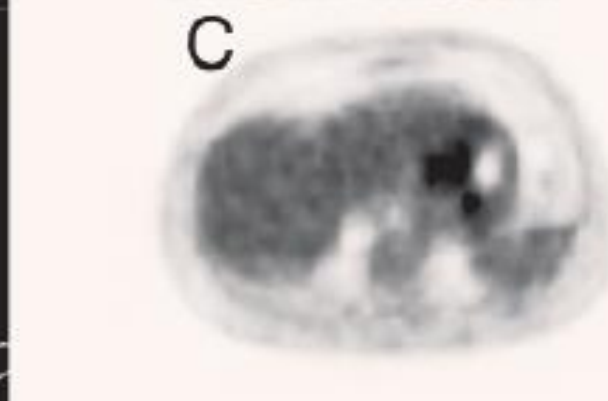
# CT – PET/CT



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# Staging

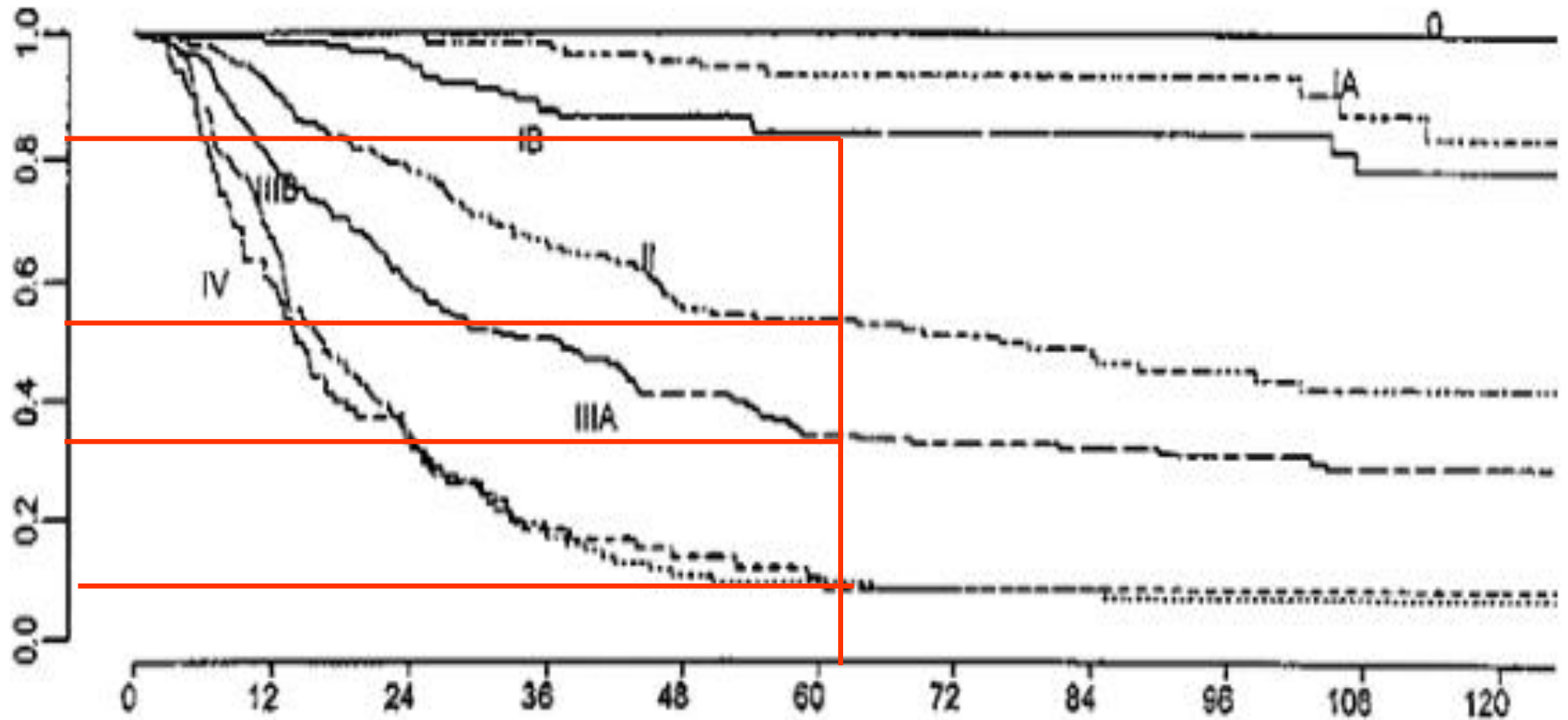
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<b>N3b</b>	>16 regional lymph node metastases
<b>Metastases (M)</b>	
<b>M0</b>	No distant metastases
<b>M1</b>	Distant metastases are present

# Principles of therapy

- **Perioperative chemotherapy**
  - 3 x chemotherapy – surgery – 3 x chemotherapy
- **Primary surgery**
  - Observation if low risk
  - Adjuvant chemoradiation if high risk
- **Irresectable, non-metastatic**
  - Perioperative chemotherapy
  - Chemoradiation
- **Metastatic / recurrent**
  - Chemotherapy (FLOT)
  - Biological therapy (trastuzumab, ramucirumab)
  - Immunotherapy (MSI, PD-L1 high)

# Overall survival by stage



# Pancreatic cancer

- **Incidence:** 8550 male, 8580 female
- **Mortality:** 8231 male, 8384 female
- **Etiology**
  - Smoking
  - Diabetes mellitus
  - Cirrhosis
  - Pancreatitis (alcoholic)
  - Obesity, high-fat diet
  - Chemicals (solvents with chloride)



# Clinical workup

## ■ Symptoms

- belt-like pain, painless obstruction of the gallbladder, acute jaundice, asthenia, weight loss, anorexia, dark urine, nausea, back pain, steatorrhea, thrombosis, Curvoisier's sign

## ■ Biopsy / histology

- Endoscopic way (ERCP, EUS guided)
- CT guided
- Laparoscopic biopsy

## ■ Histology

- Adenocarcinoma
- Neuroendocrine cc.
- Endocrine tumors
  - Insulinoma, glucagonoma etc.

## ■ Imaging

- Endoscopy/ERCP
- EUS
- US
- CT / MR
- PET/CT

# Staging

## T Tumour

<b>Tis</b>	Carcinoma in situ
<b>T1</b>	<2 cm tumour, confined to the pancreas
<b>T2</b>	>2 cm tumour, confined to the pancreas
<b>T3</b>	Tumour invades past the pancreas, but does not infiltrate large blood vessels
<b>T4</b>	Tumour infiltrates large blood vessels; unresectable tumour

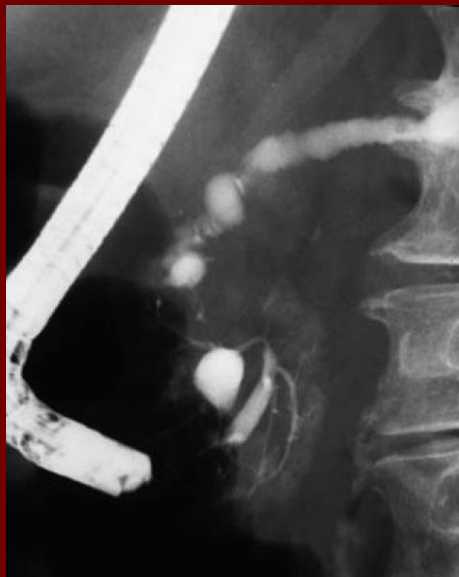
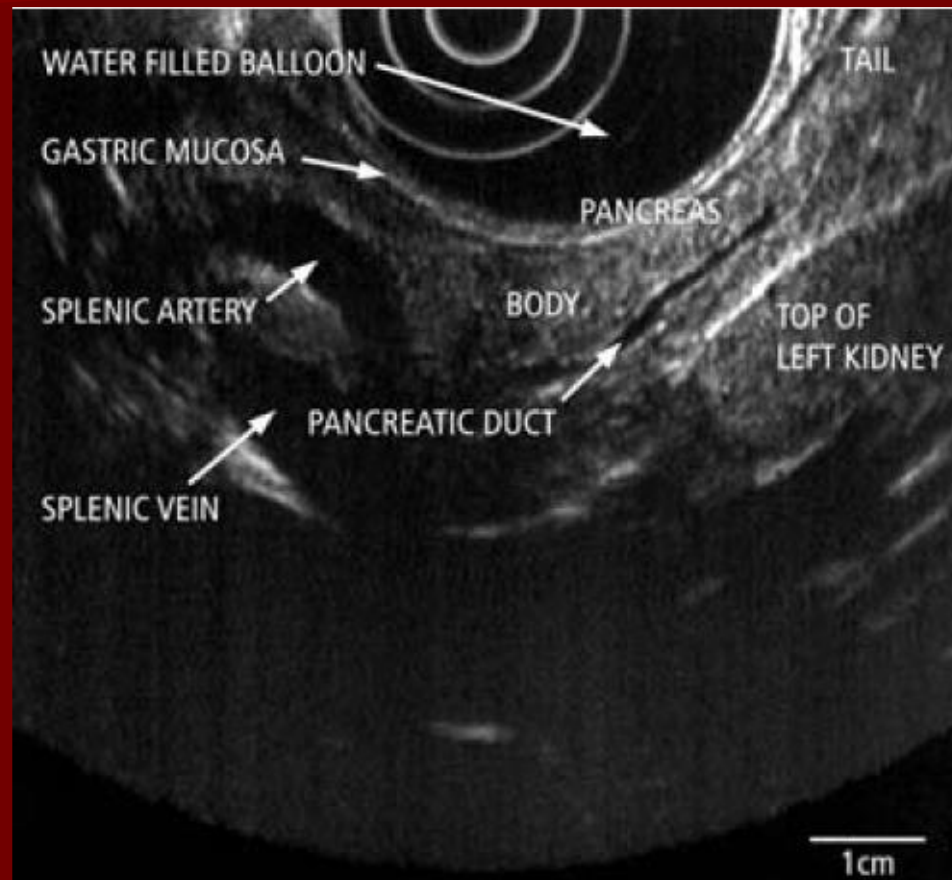
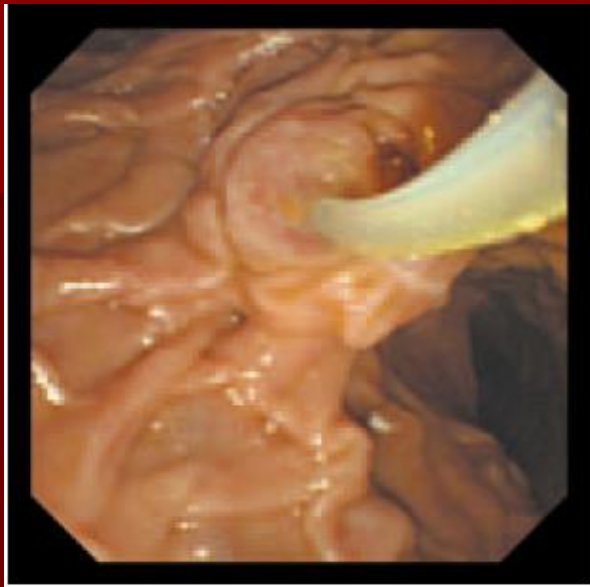
## N Lymph node

<b>N0</b>	No lymph node metastases
<b>N1</b>	Regional lymph node metastases are present

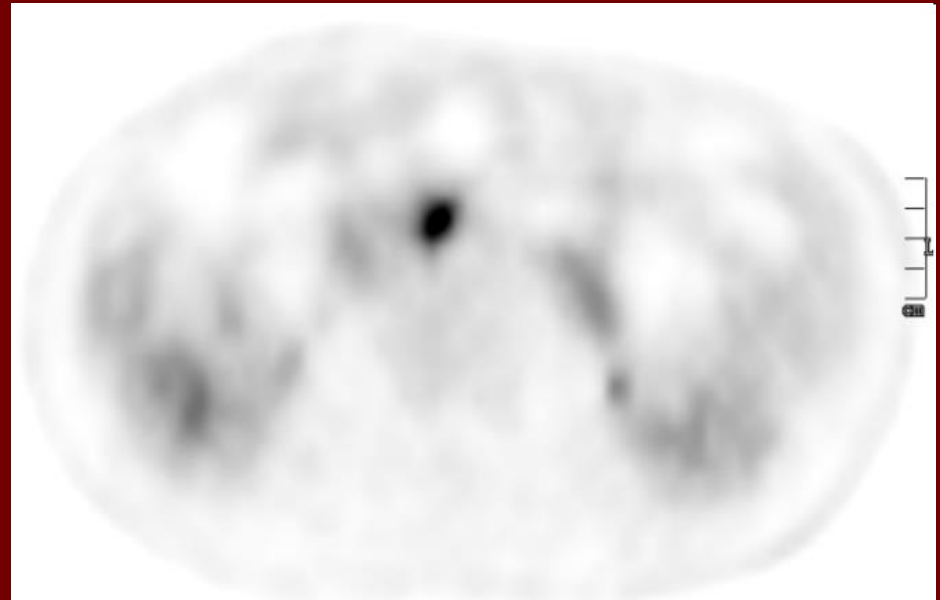
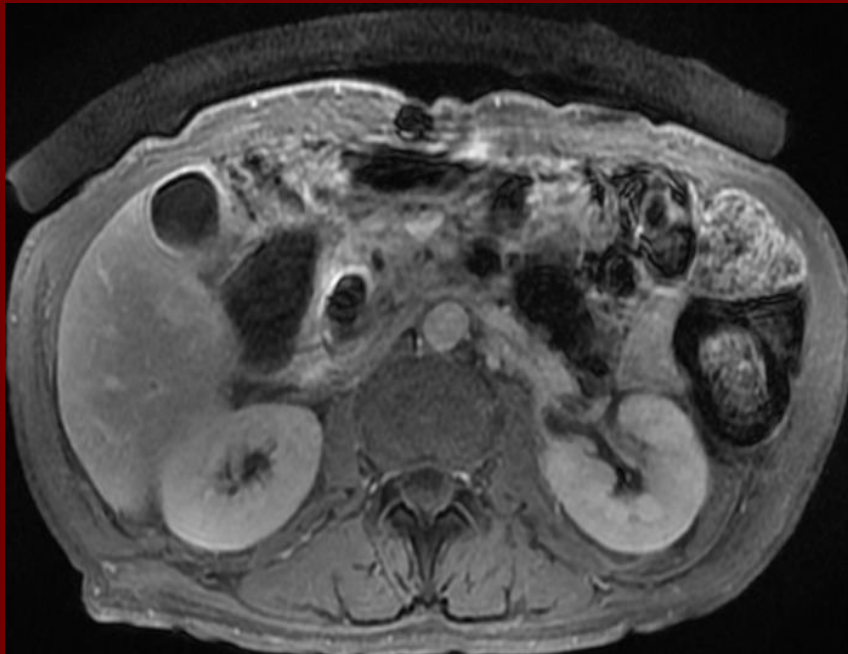
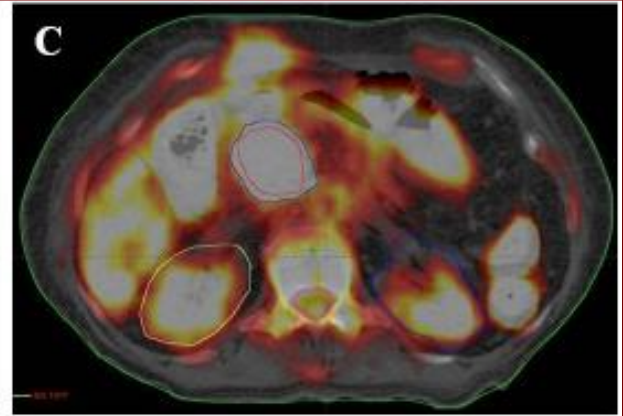
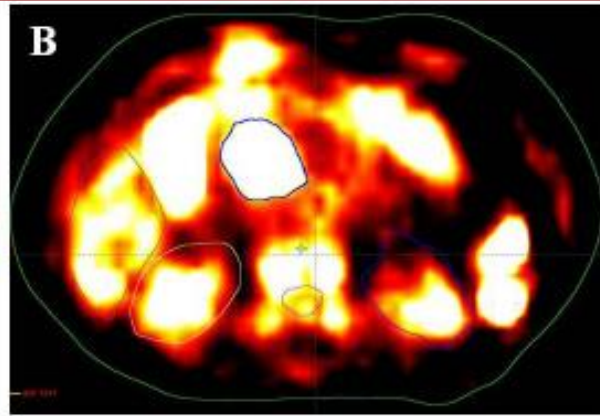
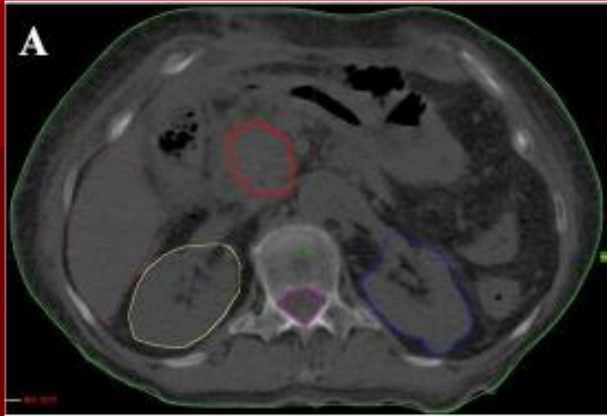
## M Metastases

<b>M0</b>	No distant metastases
<b>M1</b>	Distant metastases are present

# ERCP / Endoszkópos UH



# CT – PET/CT / MR



# Principles of treatment

## ■ Resectable

- Surgery (20% resectable)
- Postoperative chemotherapy
- Postoperative chemoradiation (USA)

## ■ Locally advanced (LAPC)

- Chemotherapy
- (Chemoradiation)

## ■ Metastatic

- Chemotherapy

## ■ Palliative treatment

- Jaundice, nutrition

# Surgery

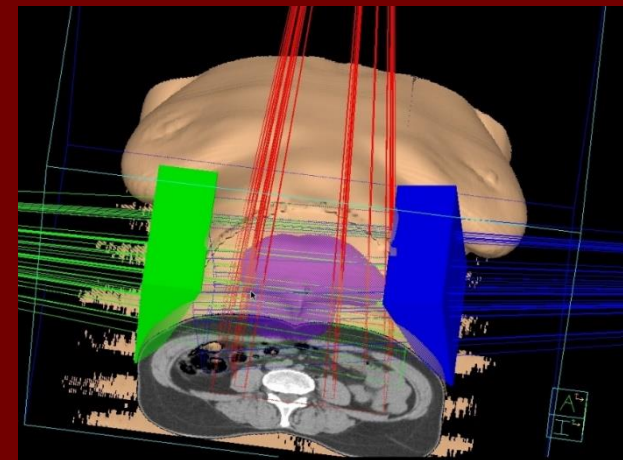
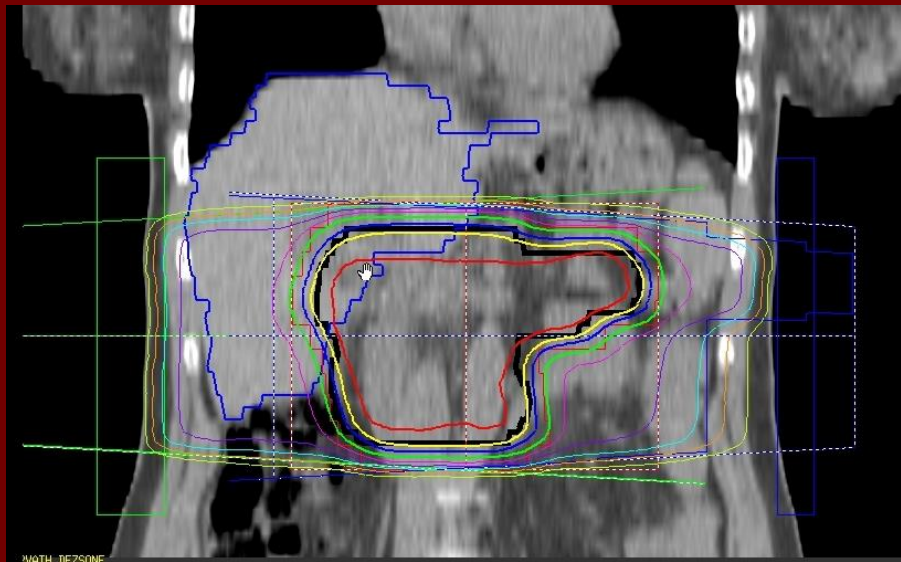
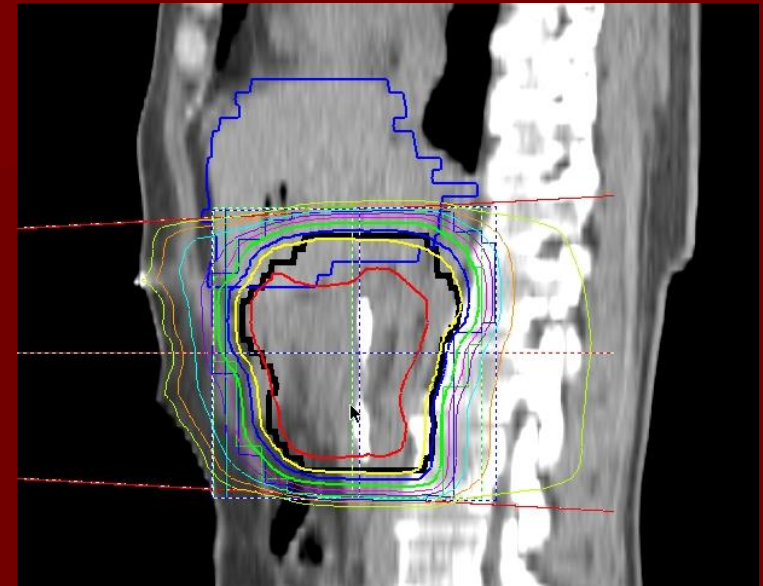
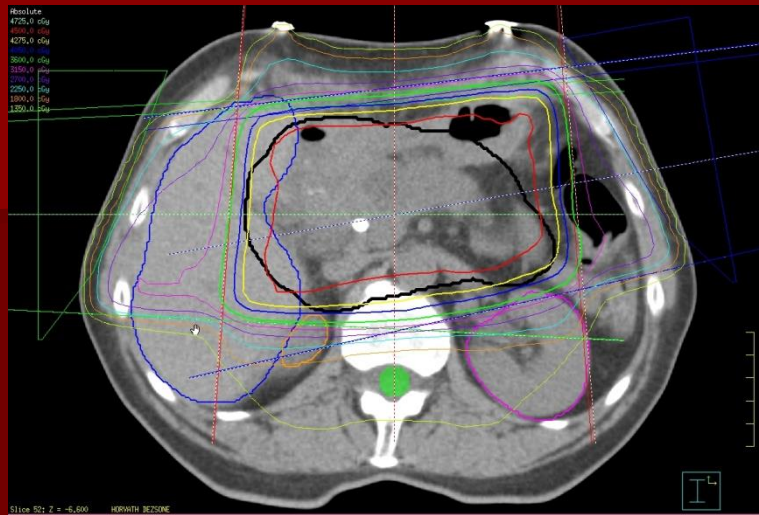
## ■ **Criteria of resecability**

- Resectable
- Borderline resectable
  - Extends to retroperitoneum or vessels but possibly manageable with extended resection
- Irresectable
  - Large vessel invasion, significant extension to retroperitoneum or adjacent organs

## ■ **Whipple**-procedure (open or minimal invasive)

- Pancreatico-duodenectomy with anastomosing the pancreatic stump, the choledochal duct, and the gastric stump into the jejunum

# External beam radiotherapy



# Pharmaceutical therapy

- **Adjuvant** after R0 resection
  - Gemcitabine and capecitabine (oral 5FU)
  - Addition of radiotherapy remains controversial
- **LAPC**
  - FOLFOX (oxaliplatin, 5-Fluorouracil, folinic acid)
  - Gemcitabine + nab-paclitaxel
  - Gemcitabine + 5-Fluorouracil
  - Addition of radiotherapy remains controversial
- **Metastatic** (patient selection!)
  - FOLFIRINOX (5FU/irinotecan/oxaliplatin)
  - Gemcitabine + nab-paclitaxel



# Results of therapy

- Median overall survival
  - Resection + adjuvants therapy
    - ~20-22 months
  - LAPC
    - ~ 15 months
  - Metastatic
    - 4-6 months

# Liver cancer

- **Incidence:** 6370 male, 2710 female
- **Mortality:** 5246 male, 2440 female
- **Etiology**
  - Cirrhosis
    - Alcoholic
    - Non-alcoholic
    - Hepatitis B, C
    - aflatoxin

# Liver cancer

## ■ Symptoms

- Non-specific
- Weight loss, loss of appetite, feeling full after a small meal, nausea or vomiting, enlarged liver, spleen, pain in the abdomen or near the right shoulder blade, swelling or fluid in the abdomen, itching jaundice

## ■ Biopsy / histology

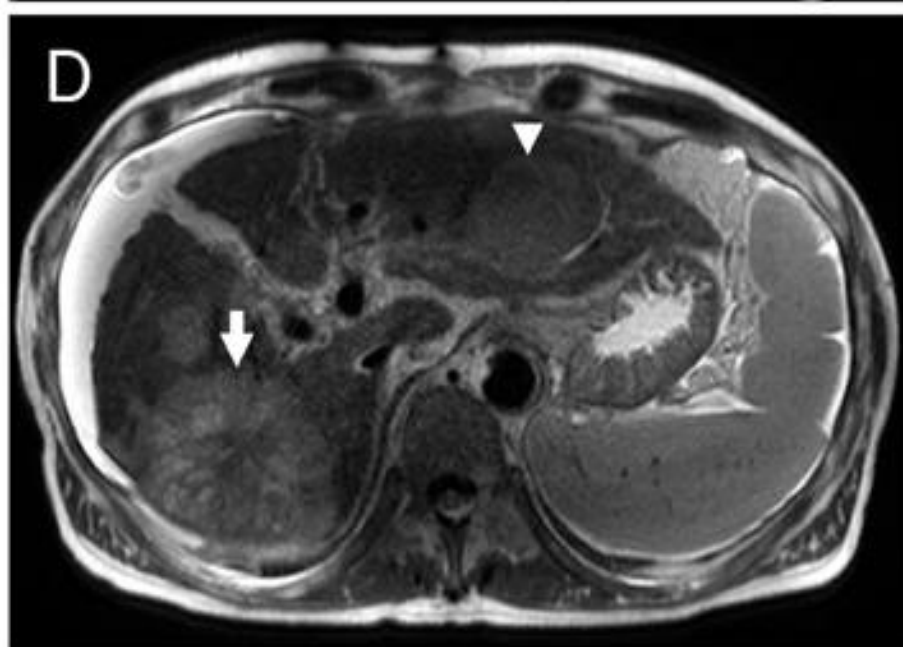
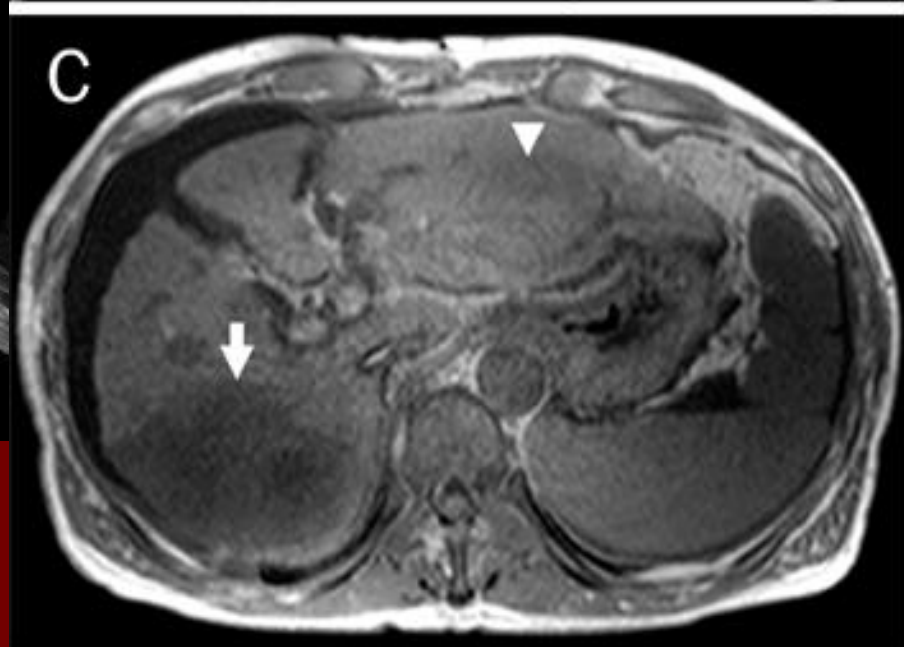
- US guided

## ■ Histology

- Hepatocellular cc
- Cholangiocellular cc

## ■ Imaging

- US
- MRI

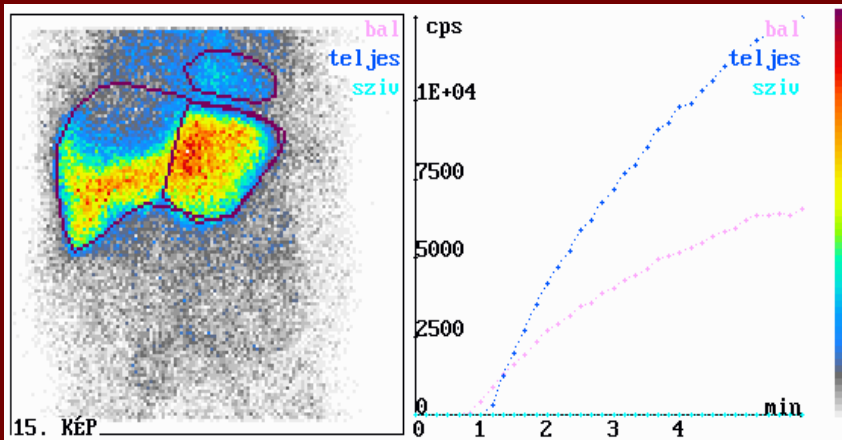
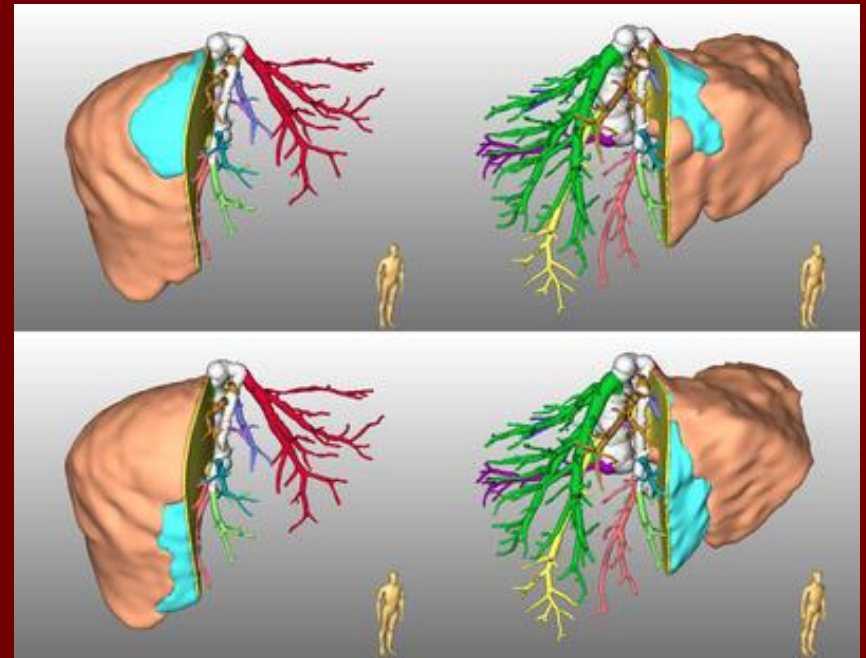
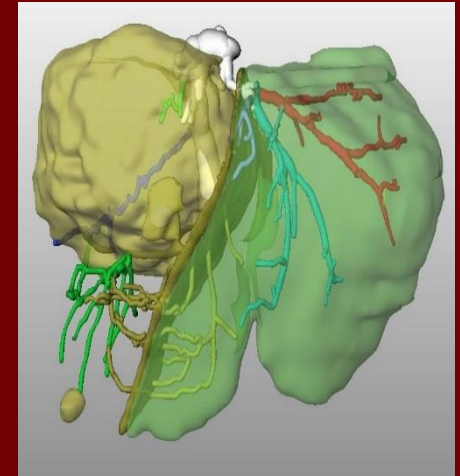
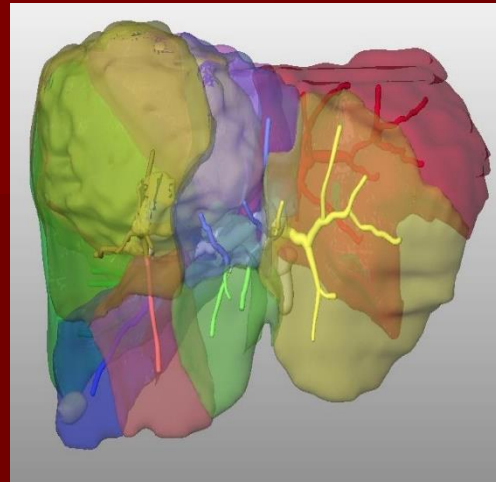
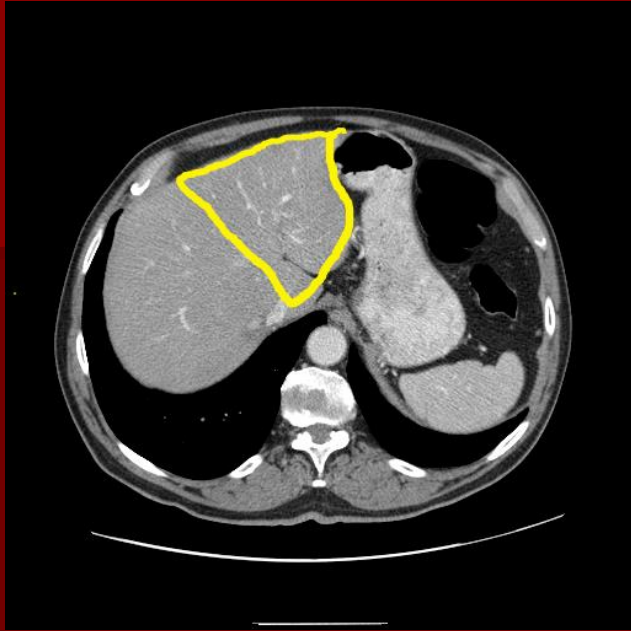


# Staging

- Tumour is confined to the liver with a maximum of 1-5 nodules; surgically **resectable**; no evidence of extrahepatic manifestation or other metastases
- Tumour is confined to the liver; no evidence of extrahepatic manifestation; surgically **unresectable** (too many nodules, the resection is not technically feasible)
- Tumour is confined to the liver with locoregional lymph node metastases; **no** evidence of systemic **metastases**
- Tumour has **metastasized** to distant organs

# Principles of treatment

- Surgery if resectable
  - Minimally invasive or open
  - The question what remains not what is resectable



# Principles of treatment

**CHILD-PUGH SCORE**

Chemical and Biochemical Parameters	Scores (Points) for Increasing Abnormality		
	1	2	3
Encephalopathy (grade) <sup>1</sup>	None	1–2	3–4
Ascites	Absent	Slight	Moderate
Albumin (g/dL)	>3.5	2.8–3.5	<2.8
Prothrombin time <sup>2</sup>			
Seconds over control	<4	4–6	>6
INR	<1.7	1.7–2.3	>2.3
Bilirubin (mg/dL)	<2	2–3	>3
• For primary biliary cirrhosis	<4	4–10	>10

Class A = 5–6 points; Class B = 7–9 points; Class C = 10–15 points.

- Many are under investigation e.g. immunotherapy



# Colorectal cancer epidemiology/etiology

- **Incidence:** 31120 male, 27890 female
- **Mortality:** 13580 male, 11932 female
- **Etiology**
  - **Non-influenccable**
    - Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn, ulcerative colitis)
    - Familial
      - FAP (familial adenomatous polyposis), APC gene
      - Lynch syndrome, mismatch repair gene
  - **Influenccable**
    - Physical activity, NSAID, high-fibre diet, vit D reduces risk
    - Smoking, obesity, red meat, alcohol increases risk

# Colorectal cancer screening

- Fecal occult blood (FOB)
- Endoscopy / capsular endoscopy
- Fecal tumor DNA
- CT colography
- PET-colography

# Clinical workup

## ■ Symptoms

- Fecal blood, altered defecation habits, loss of appetite, weight loss, abdominal complaints, bloating, discomfort, pain, obstipation

## ■ Biopsy

- Usually through endoscopy
- Sometimes from metastasis

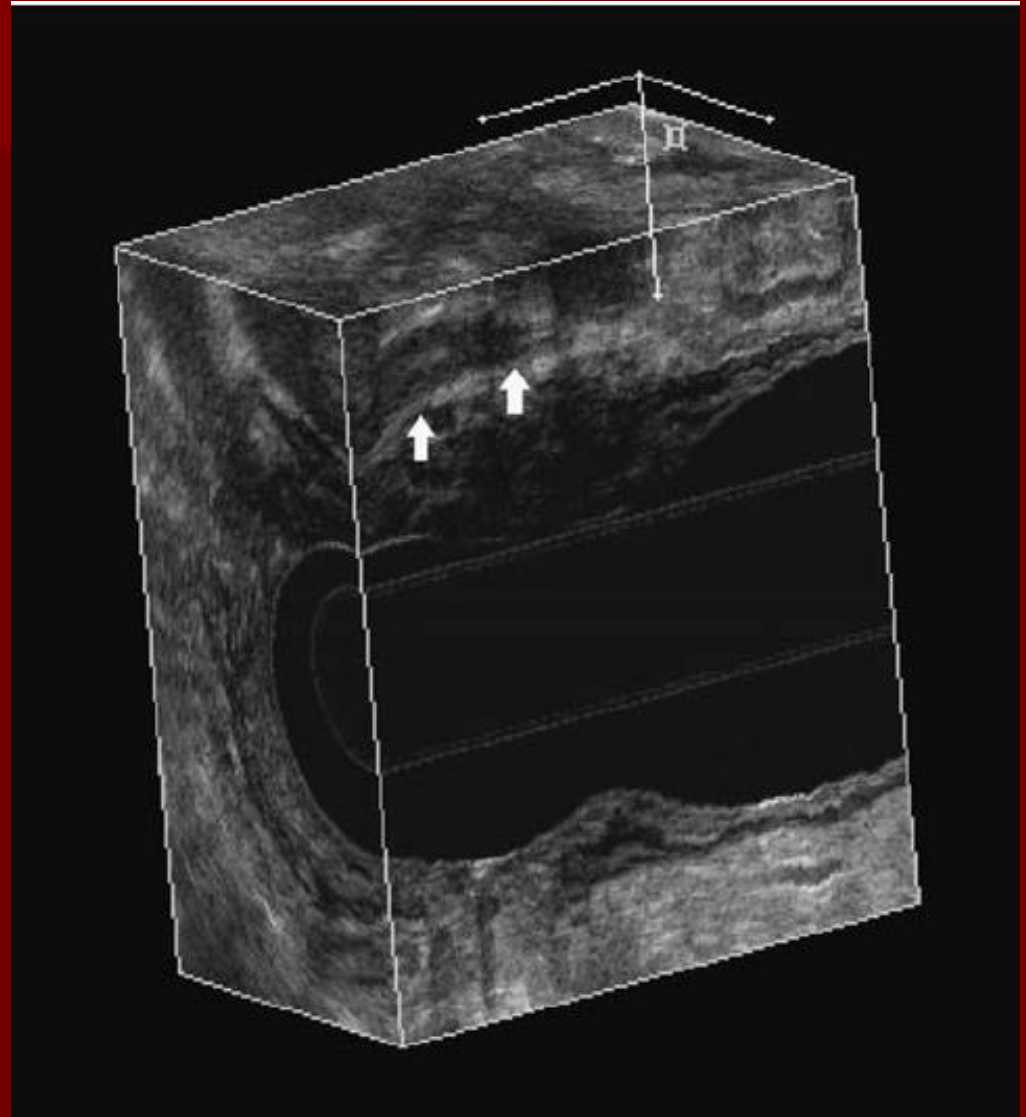
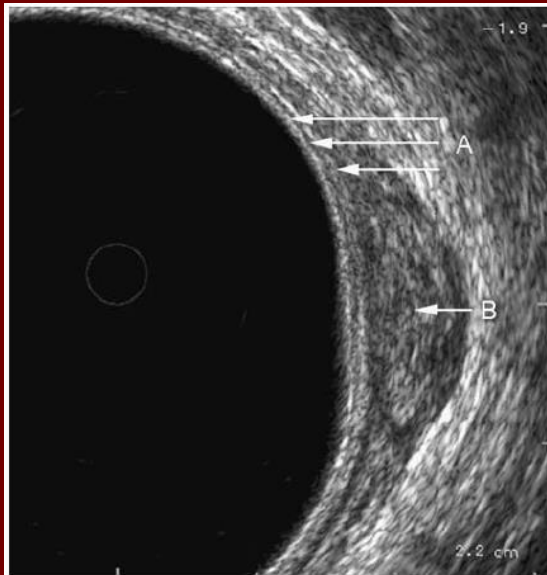
## ■ Histology

- Adenocarcinoma
  - APC, p53, KRAS, BRAF
  - MSI
  - CIMP phenotype

## ■ Imaging

- CT
- US
- MR
- PET-CT

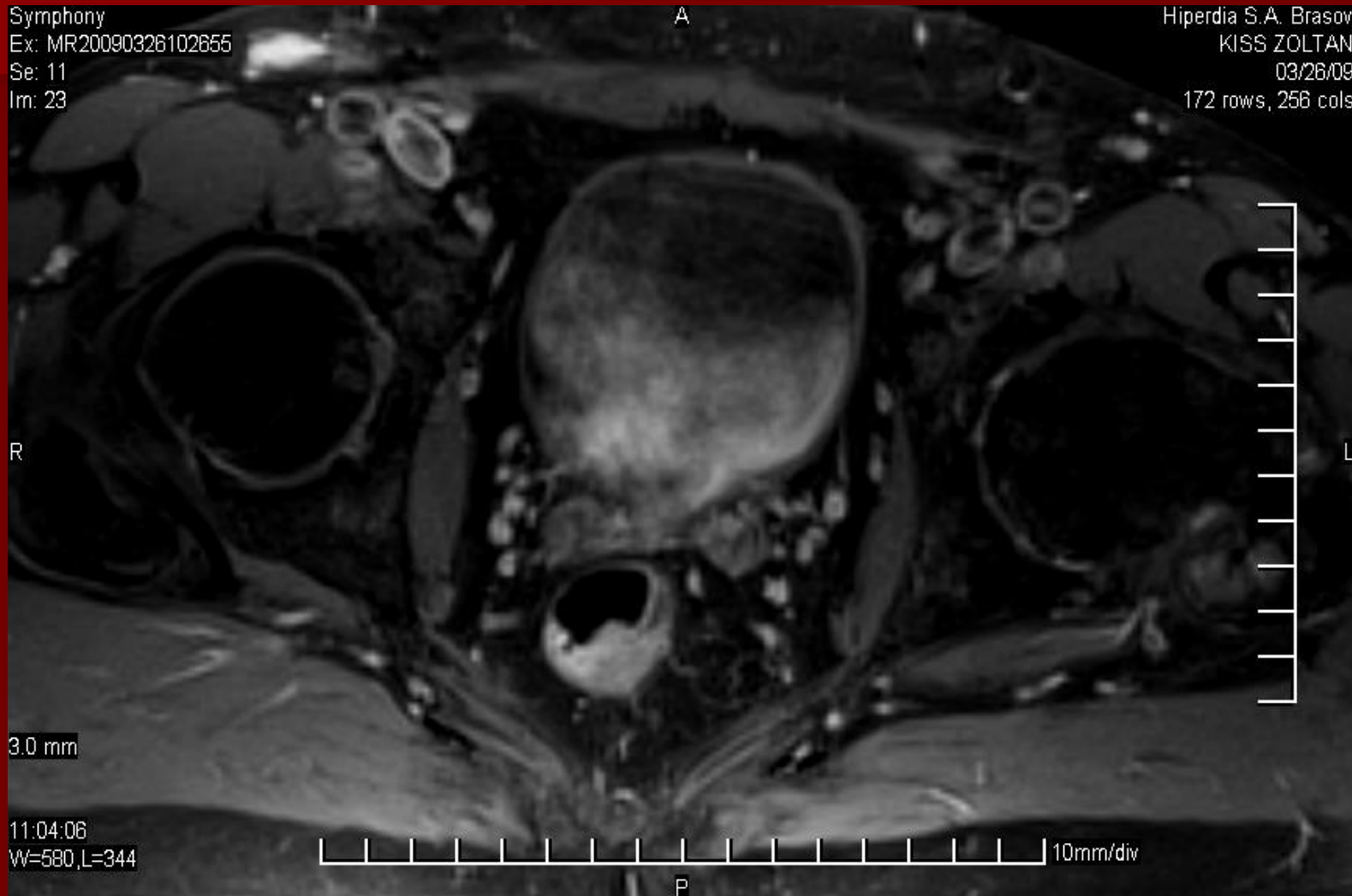
# Endoscopy / EUS / TRUS



# CT – MR – PET/CT



# CT – MR – PET/CT





# Staging

pT stage	
<b>pT0</b>	No tumour can be detected
<b>pTis</b>	carcinoma in situ – tumour is intraepithelial or invades the lamina propria (intramucosal tumour)
<b>pT1</b>	Tumour invades the submucosa
<b>pT2</b>	Tumour invades the muscularis propria
<b>pT3</b>	Tumour invades pericolorectal tissues
<b>pT4a</b>	Tumour penetrates the surface of the visceral peritoneum
<b>pT4b</b>	Tumour invades adjacent organs or structures

pN stage	
<b>pN0</b>	No lymph node metastases
<b>pN1</b>	Tumour has metastasised to 1-3 regional lymph nodes
<b>pN1a</b>	Tumour has metastasised to 1 regional lymph node
<b>pN1b</b>	Tumour has metastasised to 2-3 regional lymph nodes
<b>pN1c</b>	Tumour deposits in the pericolorectal connective tissue without structural evidence of lymph nodes if there are no lymph node metastases
<b>pN2</b>	Tumour has metastasised to 4 or more regional lymph nodes
<b>pN2a</b>	Tumour has metastasised to 4-6 regional lymph nodes
<b>pN2b</b>	Tumour has metastasised to 7 or more regional lymph nodes



# Staging

M stage	
<b>M0</b>	No evidence of distant metastases
<b>M1</b>	Distant metastases are present
<b>M1a</b>	Tumour has metastasised to one organ/site, with no peritoneal metastases
<b>M1b</b>	Tumour has metastasised to two or more organs/sites, with no peritoneal metastases
<b>M1c</b>	Peritoneal metastases with or without other metastases

Stage	T	N	M	Dukes	MAC
<b>0</b>	Tis	N0	0	–	–
<b>I.</b>	T1	N0	0	A	A
	T2	N0	0	A	B1
<b>IIA</b>	T3	N0	0	B	B2
<b>IIB</b>	T4a	N0	0	B	B3
<b>IIC</b>	T4b	N0	0	B	B3
<b>IIIA</b>	T1-2	N1	0	C	C1
	T1	N2a	0		
<b>IIIB</b>	T1-2	N2b	0	C	C2/3
	T2-3	N2a	0		
	T3-4a	N1	0		
<b>IIIC</b>	any T	N2	0	C	C1-3
<b>IVA</b>	any T	any N	1a	–	D
<b>IVB</b>	any T	any N	1b	–	D
<b>IVC</b>	any T	any N	1c	–	D

# Principles of treatment-colon

## ■ Tis, small T1a

- Endoscopic surgery

## ■ Local-locally advanced colon tumor

- Radical surgery

- Hemicolectomy, transversal segment colectomy, subtotal-total colectomy

- Adjuvant chemotherapy (>pT3, N+)

- 5FU / FOLFOX

# Principles of treatment-rectal

## ■ Tis, small T1a

– Endoscopic surgery (TEM, TAMIS, TAE)

## ■ Local-locally advanced rectal cancer

– Neoadjuvant radiotherapy /chemoradiation

- 5x5 Gy immediate surgery (< 7 days)

- 50,4 Gy+5FU /capecitabine, surgery in 8 weeks

– Followed by radical surgery

- Total Mesorectal Excision (TME)

– Adjuvant chemotherapy

- 5FU / FOLFOX

# Treatment of metastatic CRC

- Always **multidisciplinary**
- Aim is to make the patient **tumor-free**
- Primary treatment is usually medical therapy
  - Chemotherapy + targeted therapy
  - wtKRAS : cetuximab, panitumumab
  - KRAS mutant: bevacizumab / ramucirumab
  - Regorafenib, TAS 102
- Evaluation for local treatment/**oligometastasis**
  - Surgery, RFA, SABRT

# Results of treatment

## ■ 5-year survival

– Local (T1-2 N0 M0) ~90 %

– Locally advanced (T1-3 N+ M0) ~68%

– Metastatic ~ 10-15%

■ median OS now 36 months!

# Anal canal cancer

## ■ Epidemiology-etiology

- Rare disease
- HPV associated, anal injury
- Histology: squamous cell cancer

## ■ Treatment

- Small tumors: local excision
- Standard treatment: primary chemoradiation
- Residual/recurrent disease: “salvage surgery”

## ■ Chemoradiation

- 45-59,4 Gy + mytomycin C és 5FU
- 5-year survival: 75%
- colostomy ~ 20%