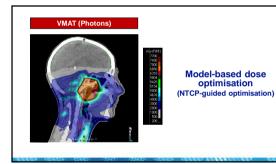
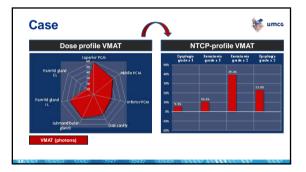
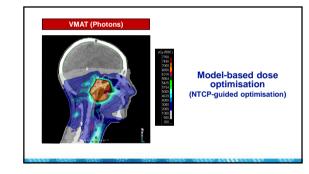
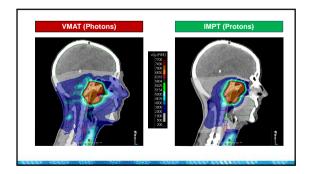


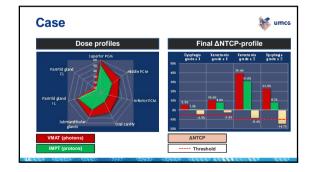
Predictors	NTCP-models (6 months after end of RT)			
	Xerostomia: grade 2.2	Dysphagia: grade: 2:2	Xerostoma grade ≥ 3	Dysphagia grade :
D _{mean} parotid glands				
D _{mean} submandibular glands		1		1
Baseline xerostomia				
D _{mean} oral cavity				
D _{mean} superior PCM				
D _{mean} middle PCM				
D _{mean} inferior PCM				
Baseline dysphagia				
Primary tumour site				
Delta-NTCP threshold	≥ 10%	≥ 10%	≥ 5%	≥ 5%
	Sum ∆NTCP ≥ 15%		Sum ∆NTCP ≥ 7.5%	

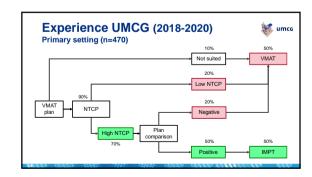




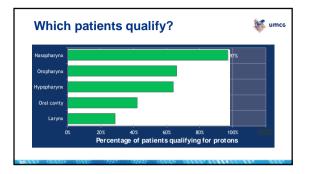


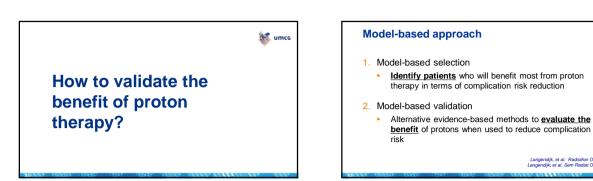


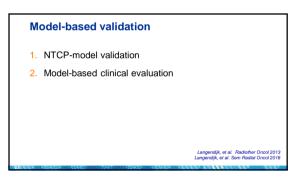


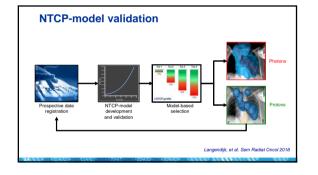


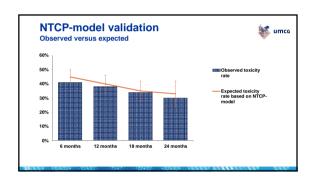
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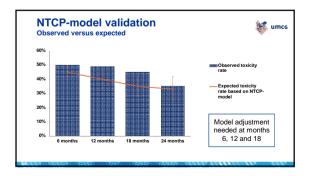


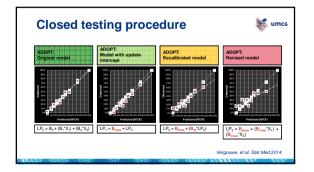


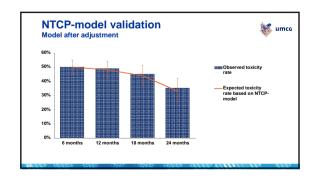


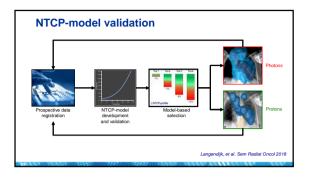


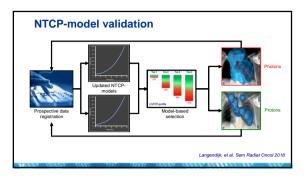


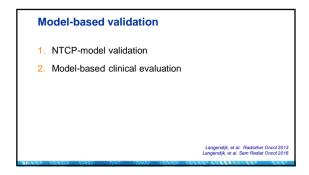


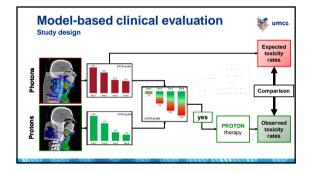


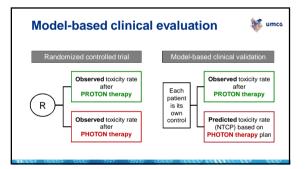


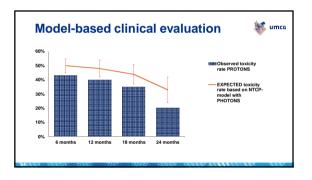














Are RCT useless?

- RCT still valuable in case no proper NTCP-models are available
- Requirements:
 - Solution to account for center variability (bias!)
 - E.g. automated contouring (quality assurance)
 - E.g. automated treatment planning
 - Plan comparisons made and stored
- Population enrichment (e.g. based on Δdose thresholds)

Conclusions

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- RCT's are not the holy grail for EBM when validating the added value of new RT techniques to prevent toxicity
 Driver = dose
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- Many variables that affect the outcome
 Requirements "proof of principle" RCT
- Model-based approach
 - Optimalisation selection clinical validation
 - Account for center performance (always best treatment for individual patient)
 - Account for learning curve / technological improvements

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