

# Deconvolving Dose Response to Maximize Therapeutic Ratio



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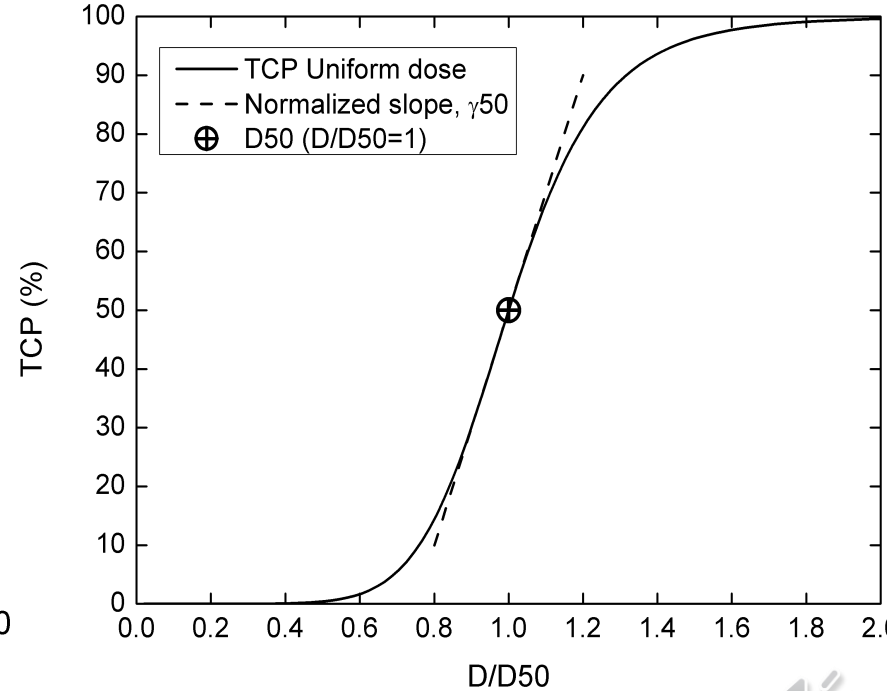
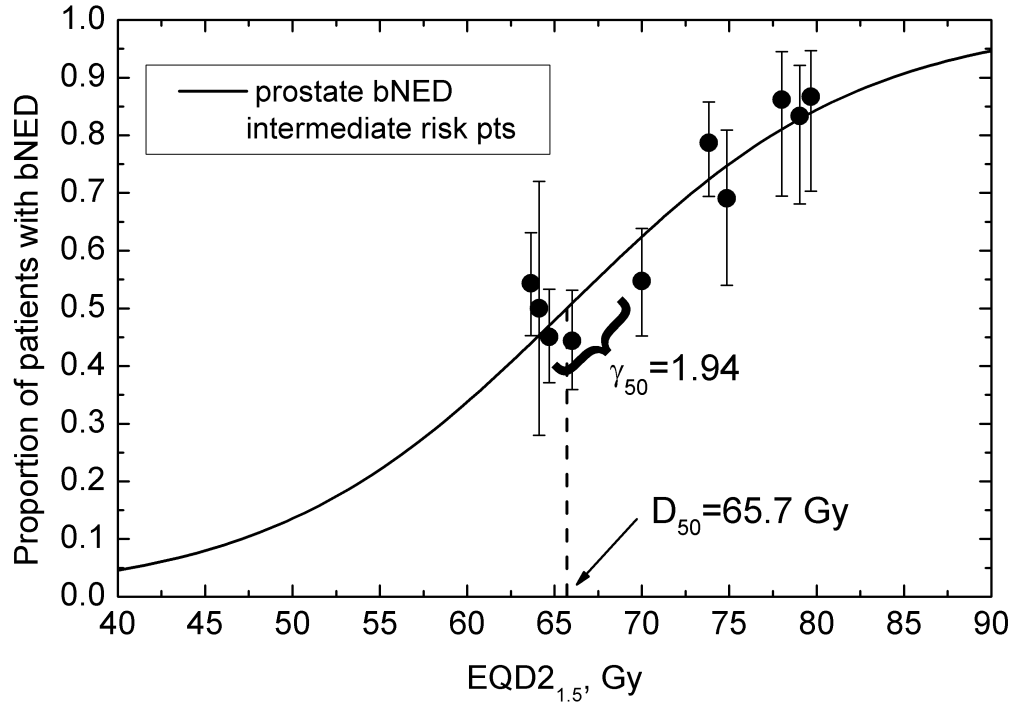


# Outline

- Dose-response for tumors and normal tissues
- Combining data from multiple sources
- Dose-response for population data
- Accounting for tumor/normal tissue properties
- Accounting for patient characteristics



# TUMOUR CONTROL PROBABILITY (TCP) DOSE DEPENDENCE



# TCP: LOGISTIC EQUATION

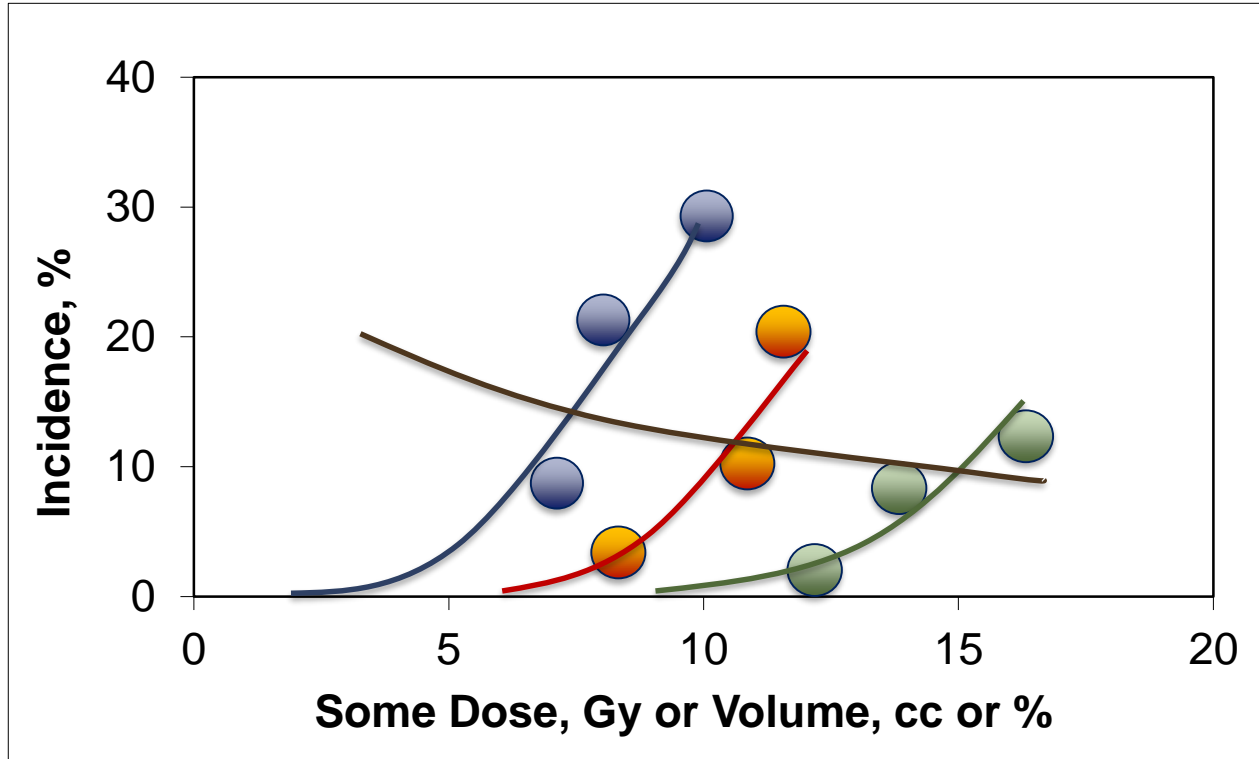
Tumor site	Comment	Source	TCD <sub>50</sub> , Gy	$\gamma_{50}$
Nasopharynx	T1-4	Bedwinek et al. 1980	61.59	3.38
Melanoma		Overgaard et al. 1986	49.84	0.99
Tonsil	N1-3	Perez et al. 1982	54.02	1.03

Tonsil: adding a 2 Gy fraction to Rx 66Gy, improves TCP from 71.4% to 74.4%

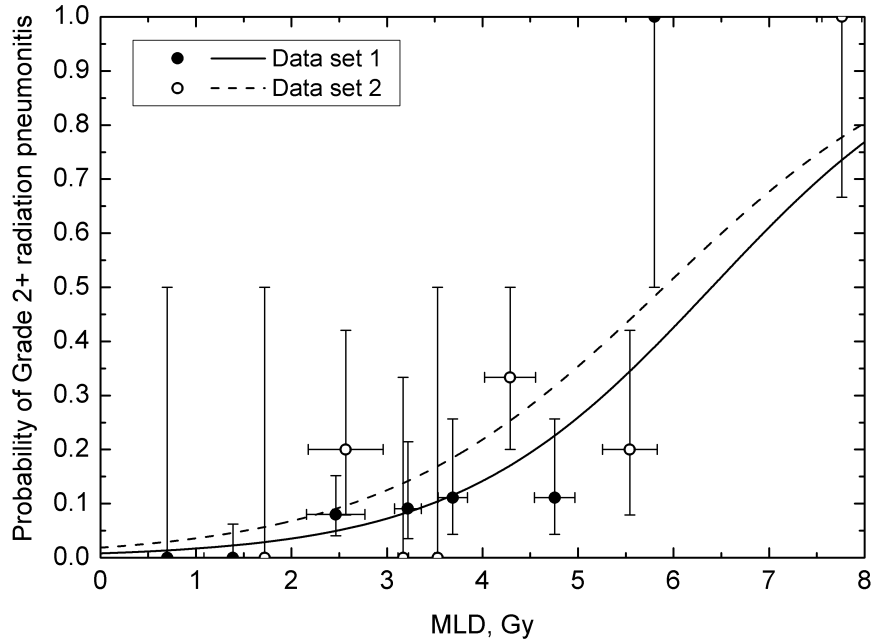
Significant dose escalation is required to achieve noticeable improvement in TCP



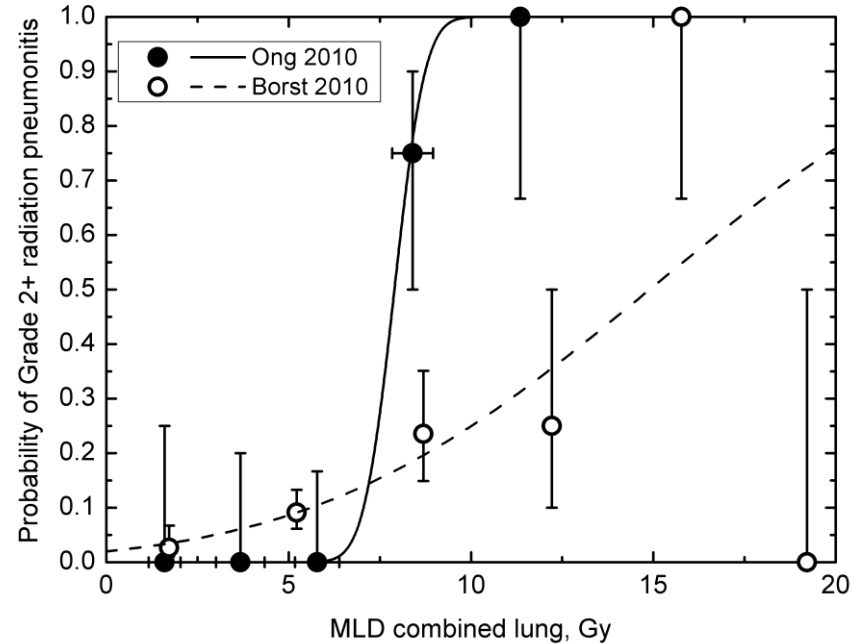
# Hazard of combining data



# Are guidelines transferrable?



Yamashita et al 2007  
Okubo et al 2017



Kong et al IJROBP, in press (HyTEC paper)



# Factors in play

- Patient selection
- Target volume definition
- OAR delineation
- Dose calculation
- Toxicity scoring
- **Patient-to-patient variation**



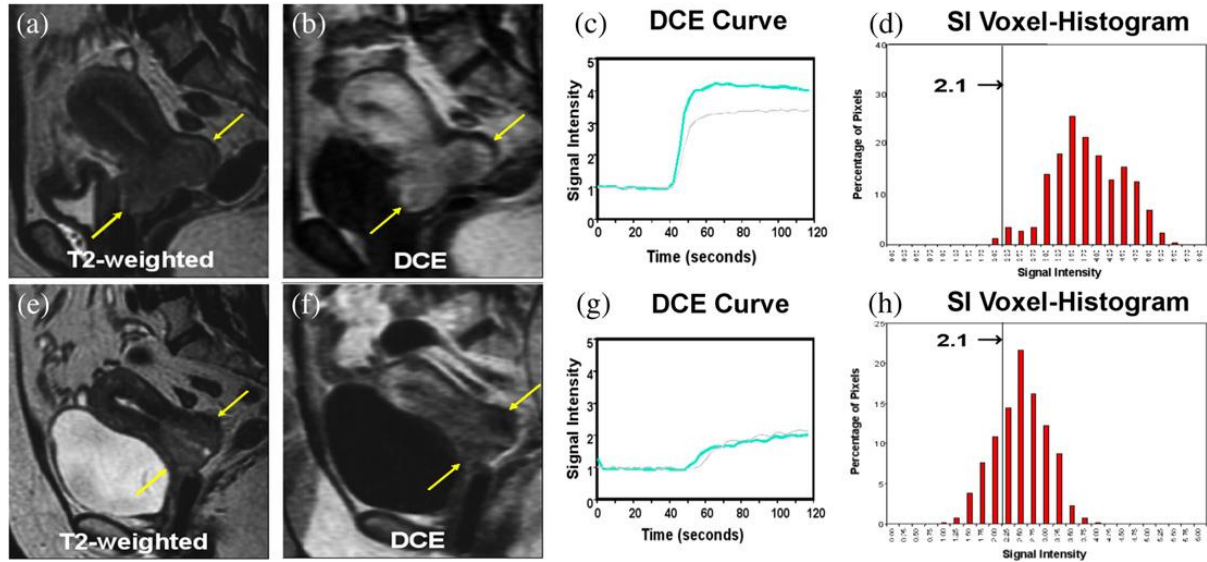
# Factors in play

- Factors to broadly classify patients (stage)
- Factors which modify response to radiation (hypoxia, fast repopulation)
- **Intrinsic radiosensitivity**





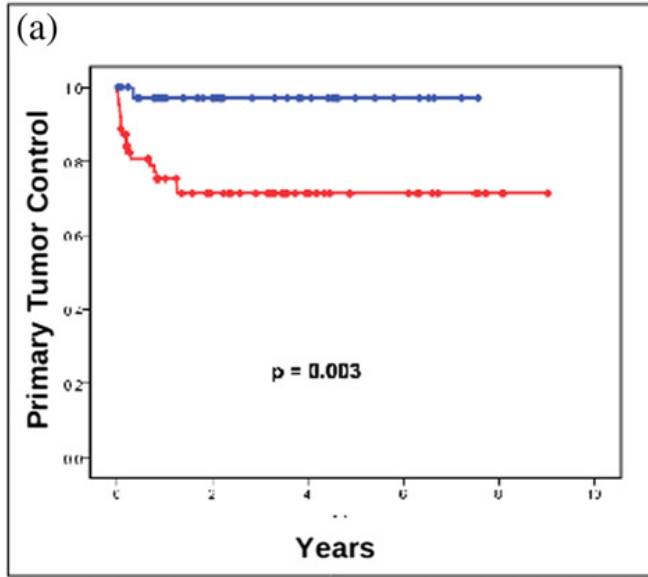
# Imaging for hypoxia



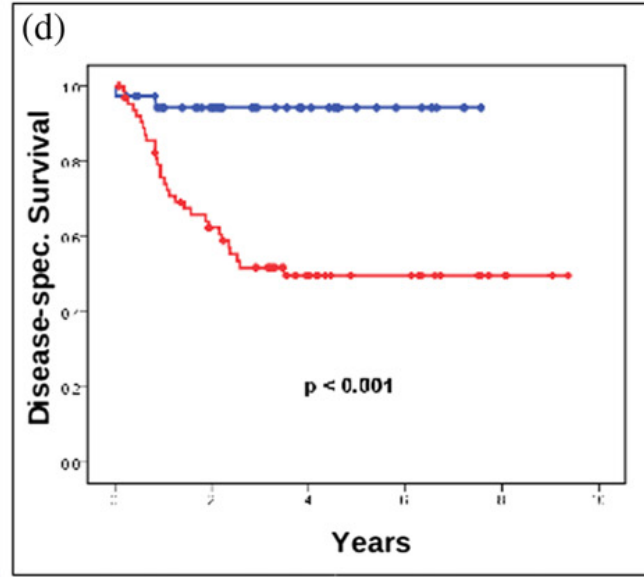
Cervical cancer pts, a-d: poor outcome expected; e-f: excellent outcome expected. Dynamic contrast-enhanced-MRI performed 2 weeks after (b and f) commencement of RT show good perfusion (b), e-h poor perfusion (f). Patient a-d disease-free 10+ years, patient e-h 6 months after RT.



# Imaging for hypoxia



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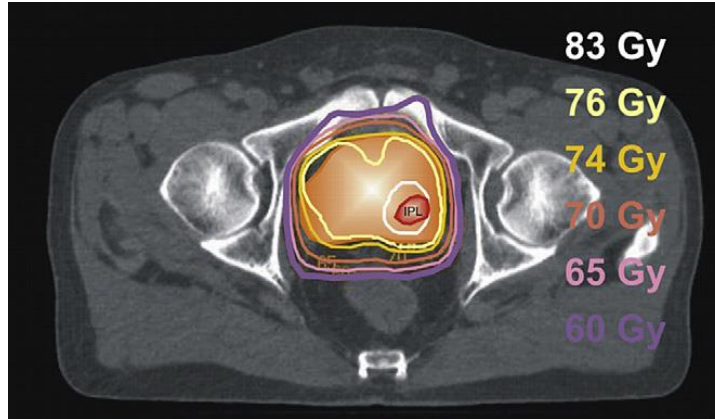


Cervical cancer pts, Dynamic contrast-enhanced-MRI performed prior to treatment.

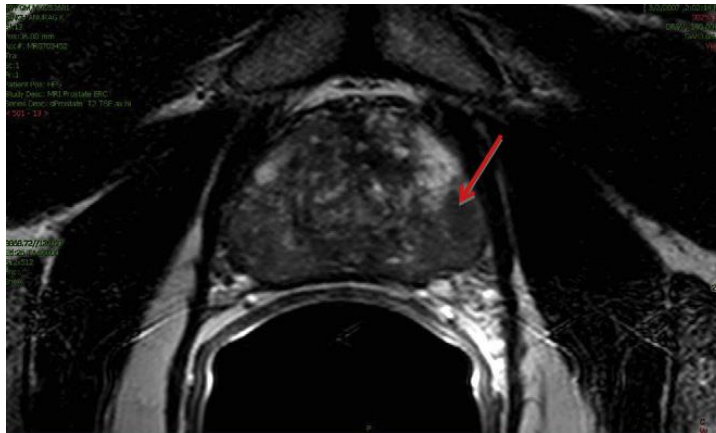


# Prostate cancer RT: SIB for IPL

Fonteyne et al.  
2008, MRI/MRS -  
defined IPL, boost  
to IPL using fixed  
gantry IMRT



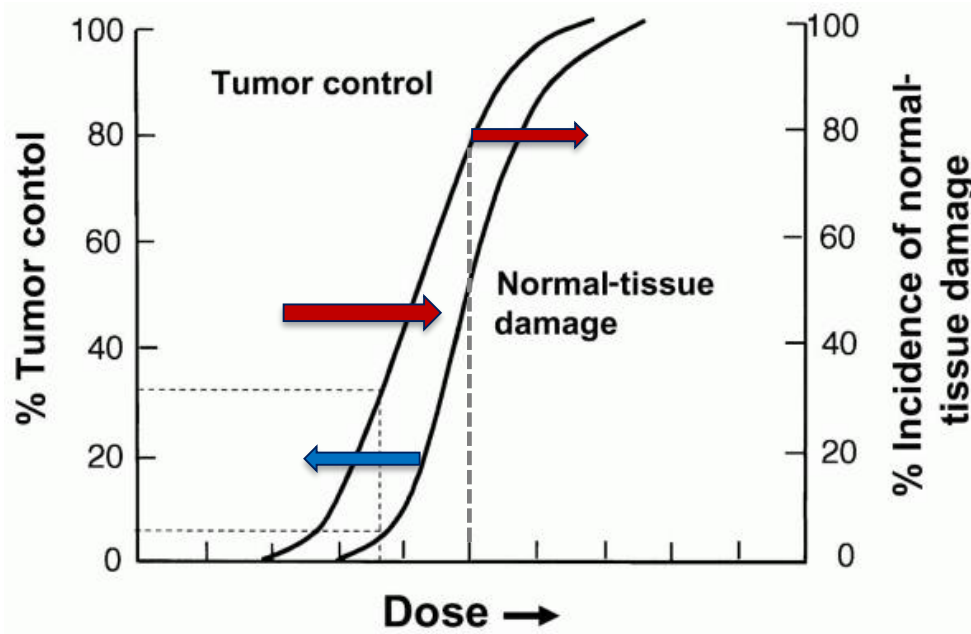
Housri et al. 2011,  
MRI/MRS -  
defined IPL



Fist and  
conceptually the  
simplest solution  
which may work is:  
if there is a problem  
– let's boost it.  
Prostate cancer  
prescribed dose  
currently 78Gy/39  
fx or 81Gy/45 fx.

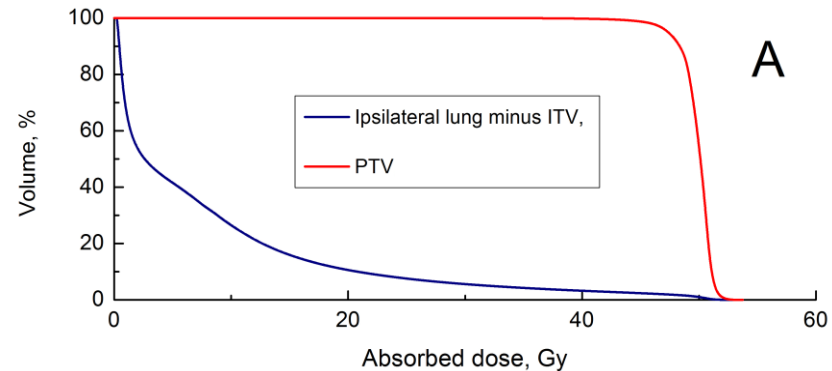


# Concept of therapeutic ratio



Hall & Giaccia, 2006

Relationship between tumor control and normal tissue toxicity



Yorke et al. 2018



# Head and neck cancer

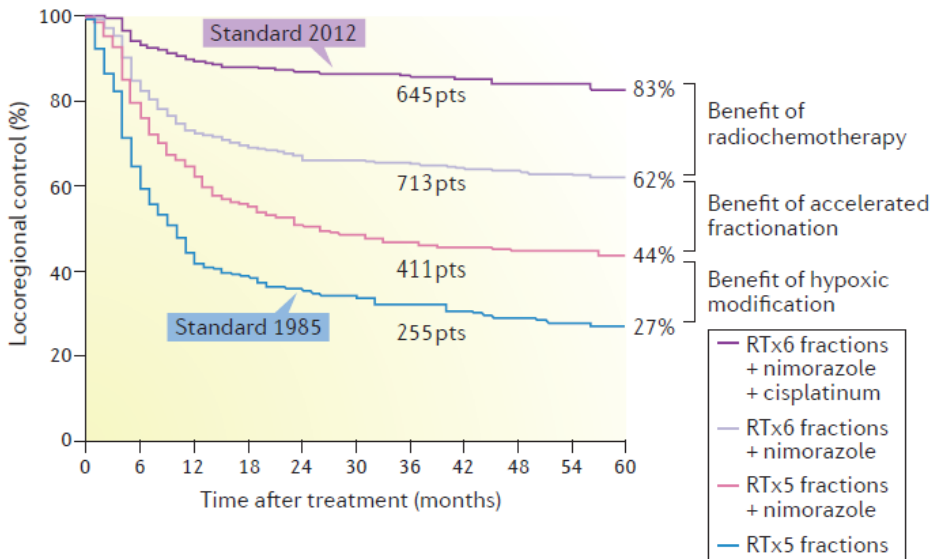
1980s: locoregional control ~30%

Present: locoregional control ~70-80%

“stage migration”,  
chemo, imaging,  
targeting,  
fractionation

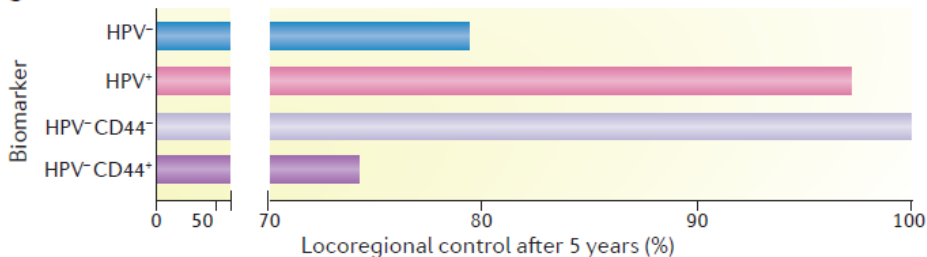
Baumann 2016

**a** DAHANCA database, stage 3-4 laryngeal and pharyngeal cancer



DAHANCA  
Trial  
(Denmark,  
Overgaard  
et al.)

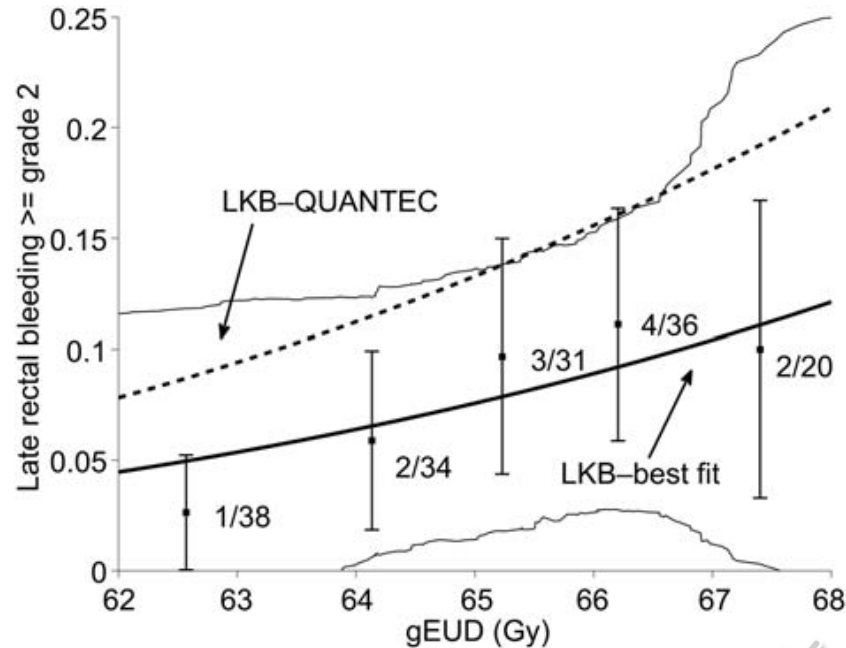
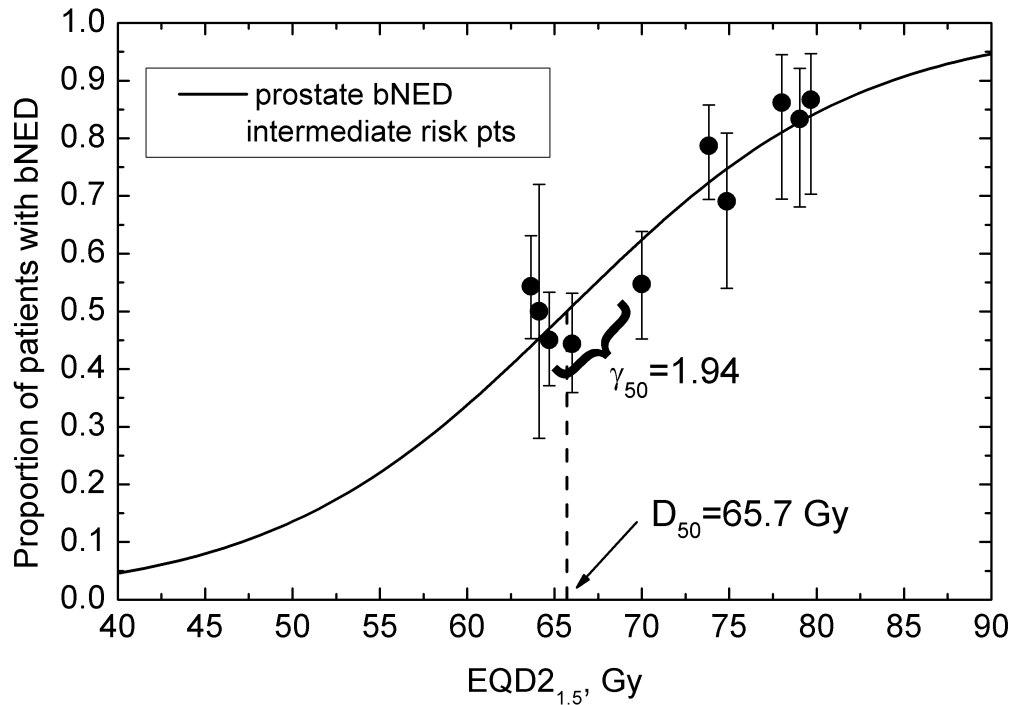
**b**



DKDT  
(Germany,  
Linge et al;  
Lohaus et al.)



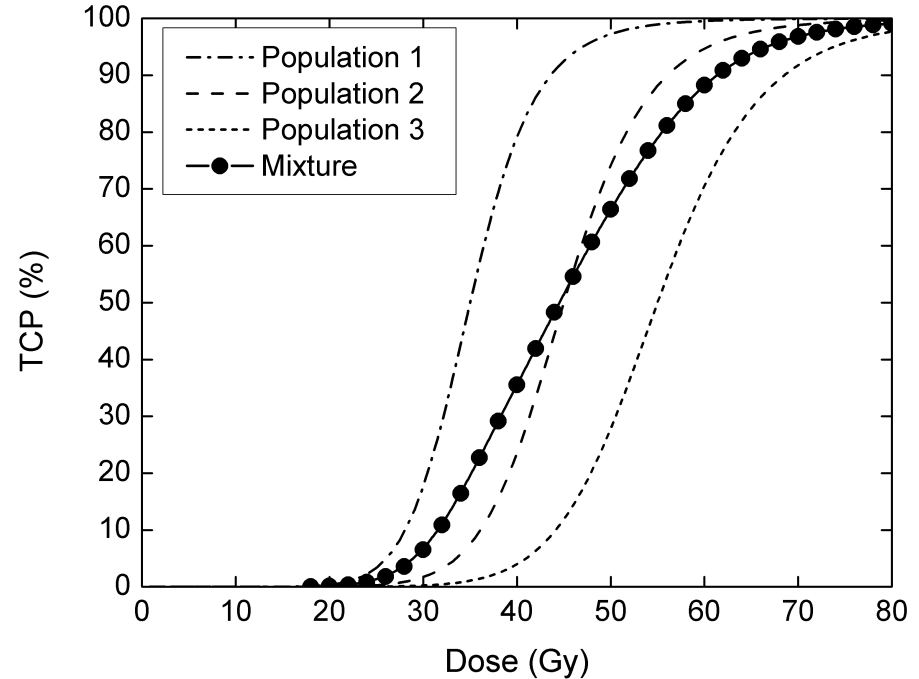
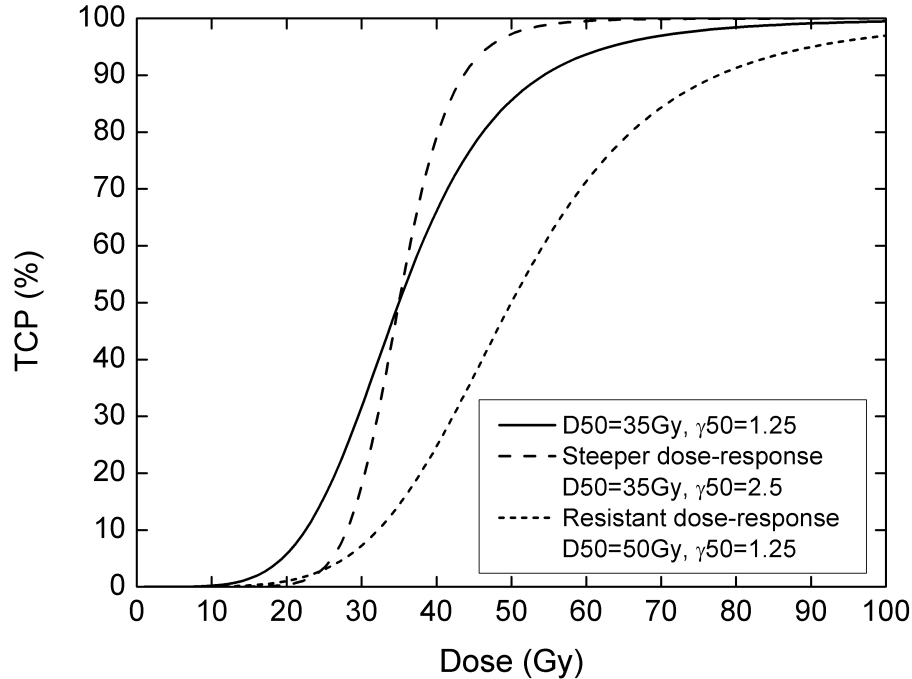
# TUMOUR CONTROL PROBABILITY: POPULATION-BASED vs STRATIFIED



Liu et al. 2010



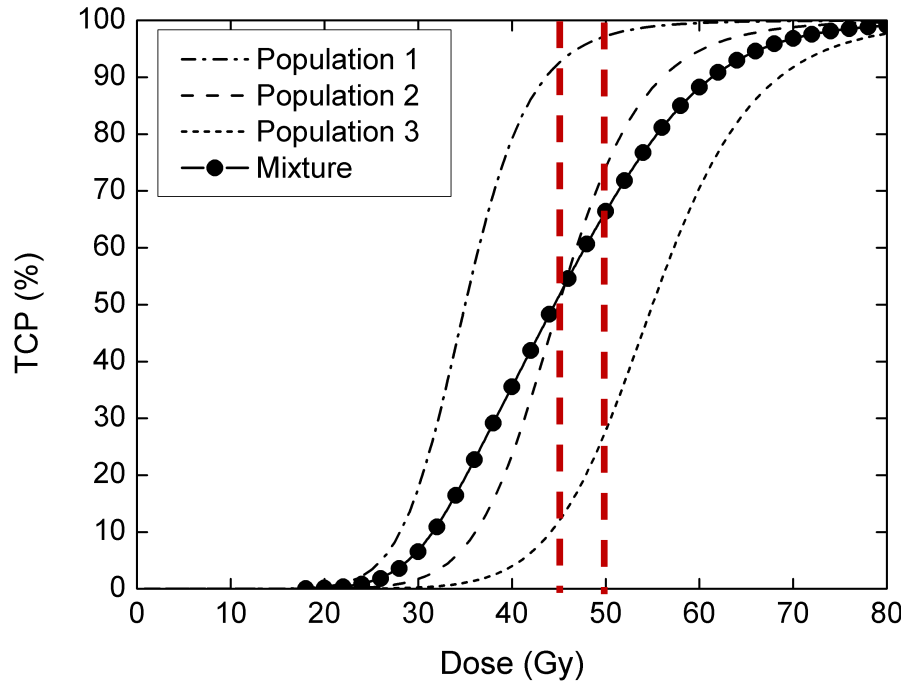
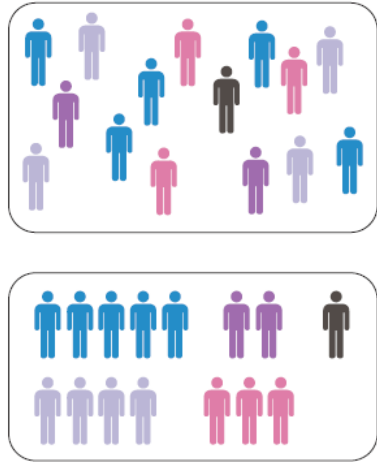
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Yorke et al. 2018 Can we filter out each population?



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Benefit from dose escalation is different for different populations

Stratification can be based on tumor features: hypoxia, FDG-PET SUV or

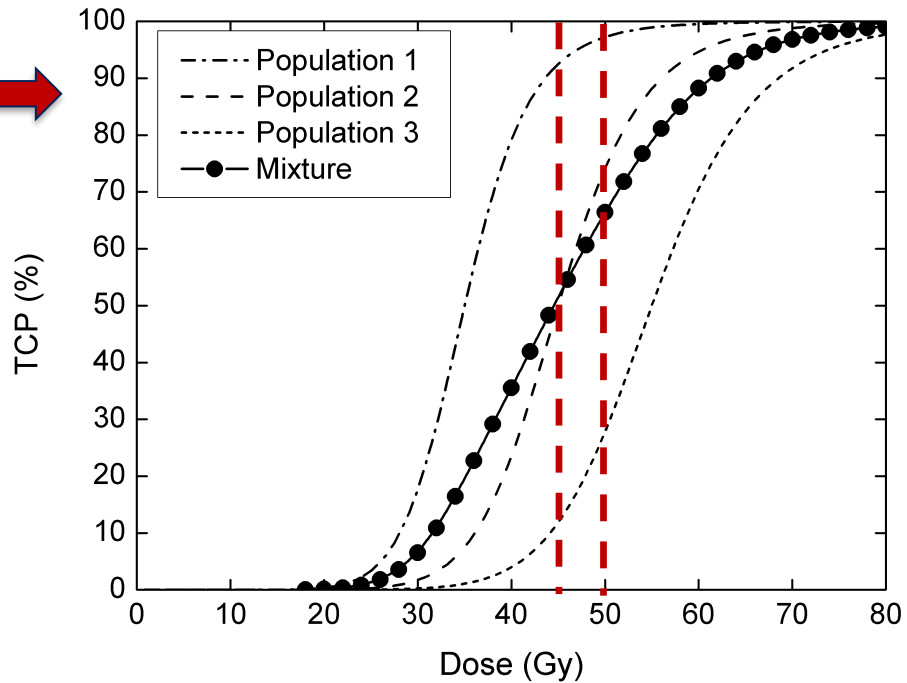
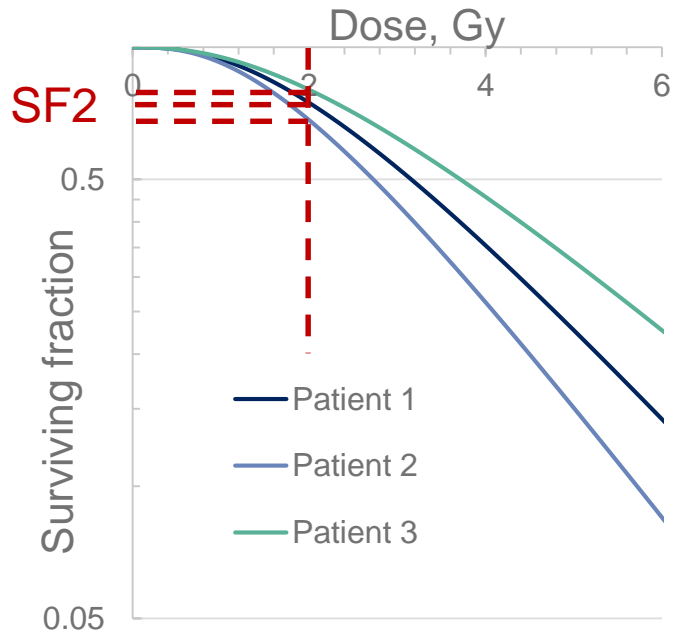
Patient-specific response to radiation (radiosensitivity)

Yorke et al. 2018





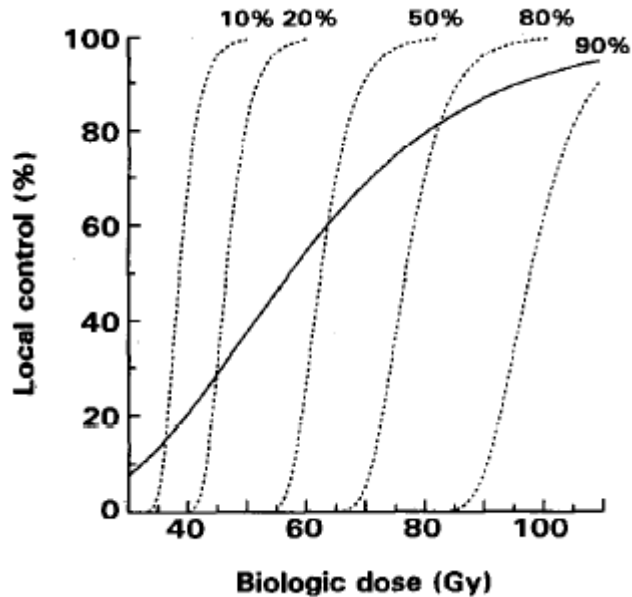
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- Oropharyngeal cancer
- Radiosensitivity established in vitro
- Clinical  $\gamma_{50}=1.6$
- Following stratification  $\gamma_{50}$  as high as 7.3
- Dose de-escalation is not an inviting option

Bentzen 1994



# Factors in play

Hypoxia: PET (FMISO, FAZA), DCE-MRI

Tumor burden: tumor volume, FDG-PET

Proliferation/repopulation: FLT-PET

Intrinsic radiosensitivity: mostly retro or preclinical



# Conclusion

- Accounting for patient-specific characteristics will allow us to stratify patients and maximize therapeutic ratio
- To stratify patients we need:
  - Tumor/normal tissue properties
  - Intrinsic radiosensitivity data
    - Fast
    - Definitive



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