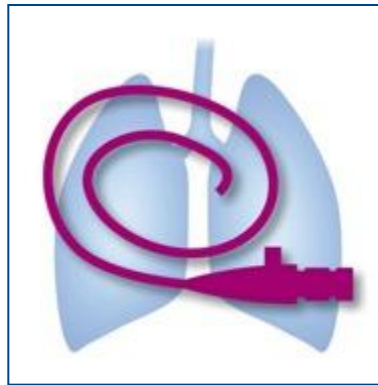


Pneumo Update Europe 2016

24-25 June, Prague

Pulmonary Endoscopy

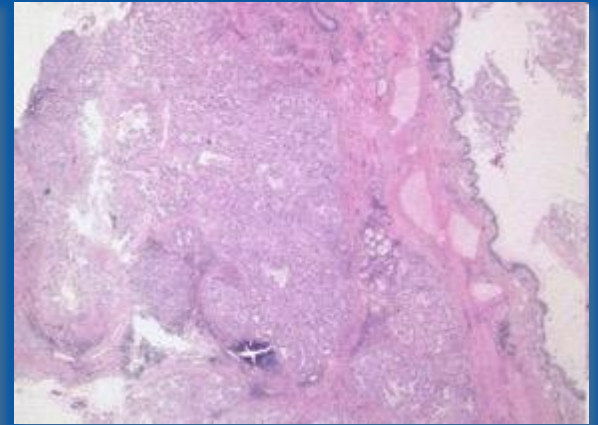


Felix Herth, Germany

Topics

- **Cryo Biopsy**
- **SPN**
- **Endosonography**
- **ELVR**
- **Best of the rest**

Cryo Biopsy

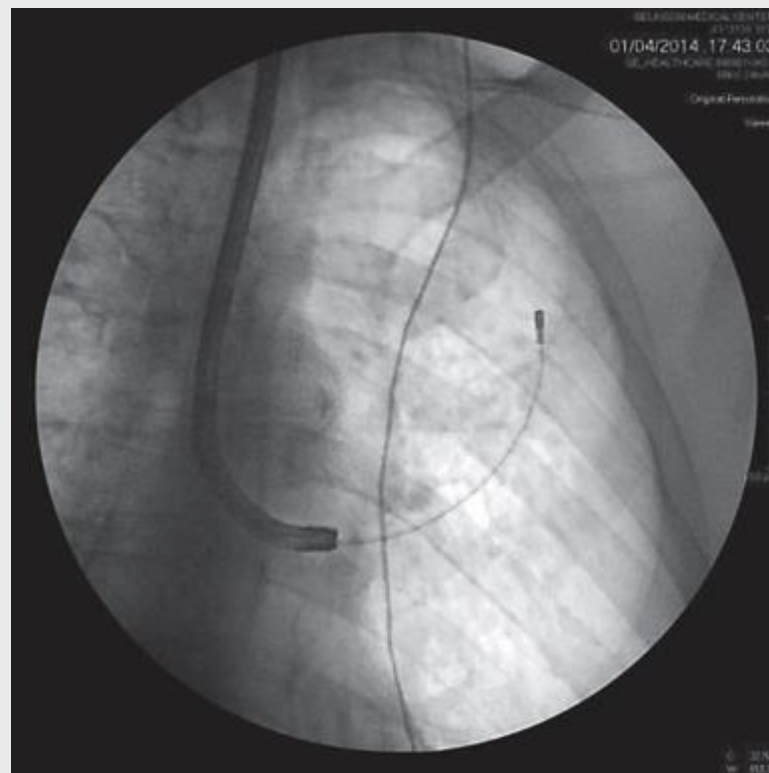


Tomassetti S, et al., Bronchoscopic lung cryobiopsy increases diagnostic confidence in the multidisciplinary diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis..

**117 patients with
fibrotic ILDs
MDT decision
cross-sectional study**

**58 Cryo biopsy
59 SLB
2 clinicians, 2 radiologists, 2
pathologists sequentially
reviewed clinical-radiological
findings and biopsy results**

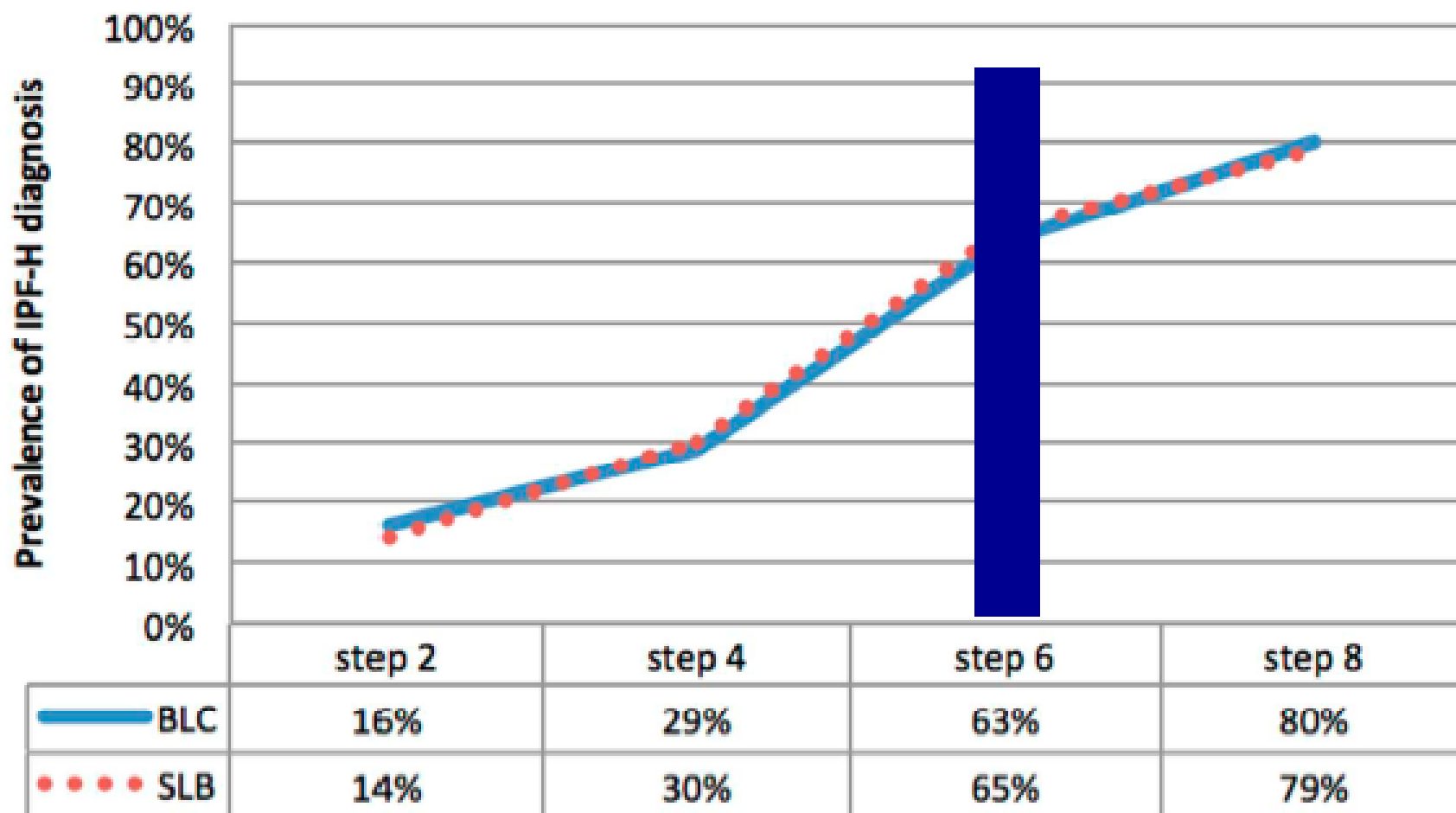
**process their diagnostic impressions
and confidence levels.**



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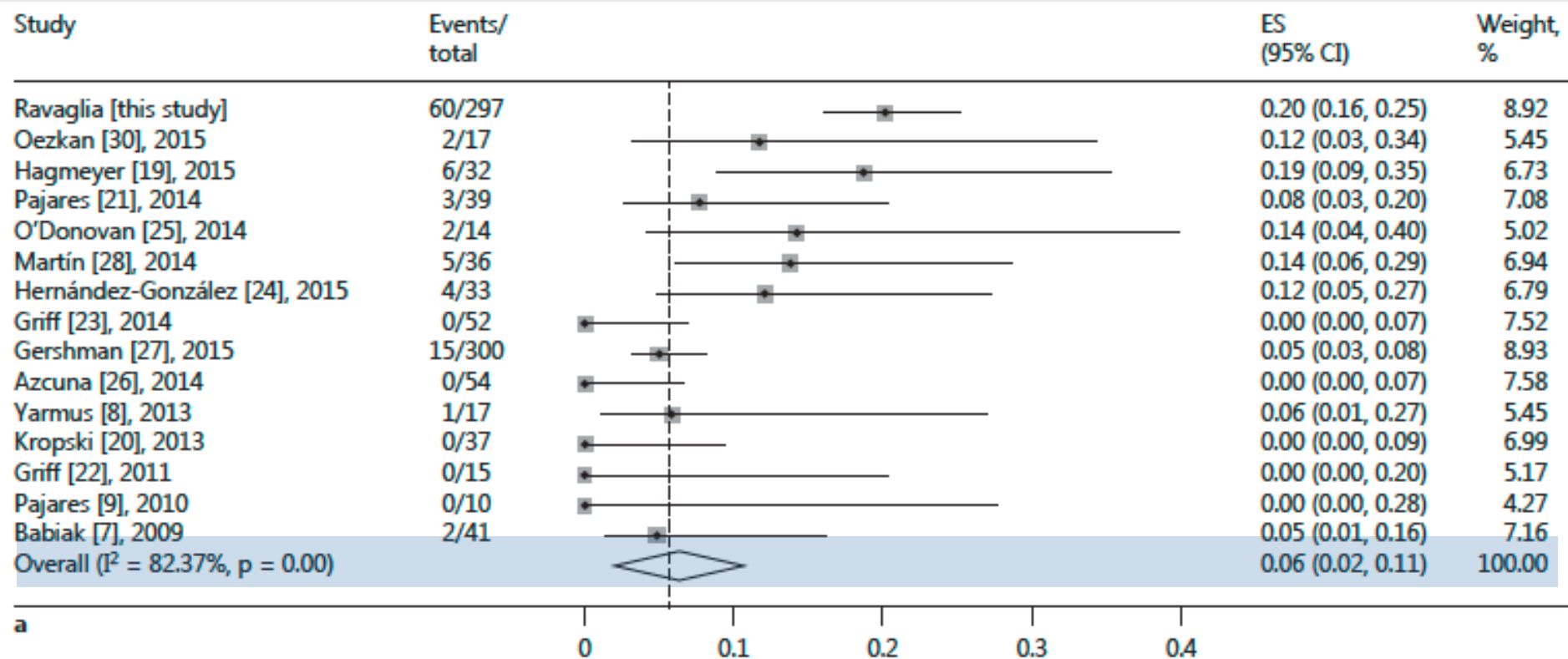
STEP	DATA	PARTICIPANTS	DISCUSSION
1	Clinical-Radiological data	C + R	Individual
2			Group
3	BAL	C + R + P	Individual
4			Group
5	BIOPSY	C + R + P	Individual
6			Group
7	FOLLOW-UP data	C + R + P	Individual
8			Group

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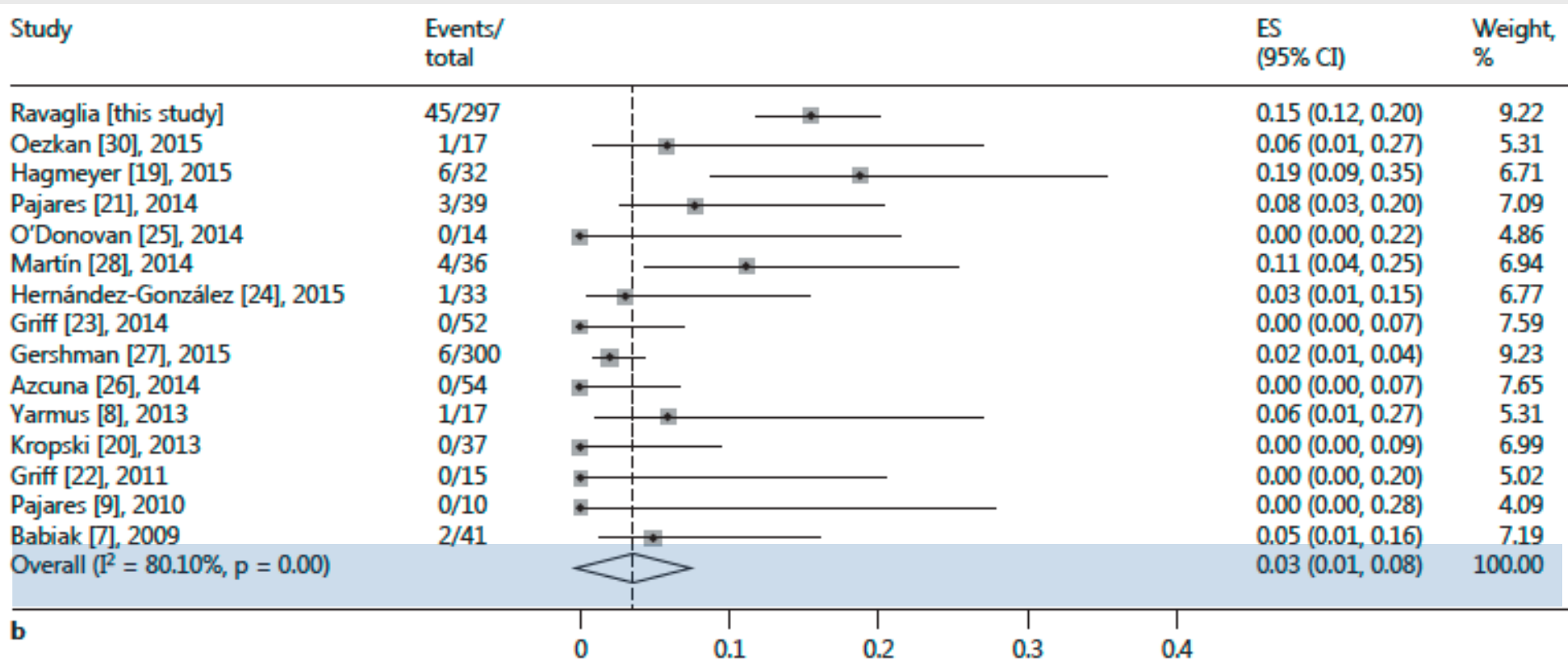
Ravaglia C., et al., Safety and Diagnostic Yield of Transbronchial Lung Cryobiopsy in Diffuse Parenchymal Lung Diseases: A Comparative Study versus Video-Assisted Thoracoscopic Lung Biopsy and a Systematic Review of the Literature.

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Bleeding



Take-Home Message

- **Cryo-biopsy in ILD increasing**
- **diagnostic rate 70-80 %**
- **similar information value like SLB**

main complication

- **pneumothorax**

main limitation

- **need for intubation/rigid scope**
- **European multicenter trial presented at ERS**

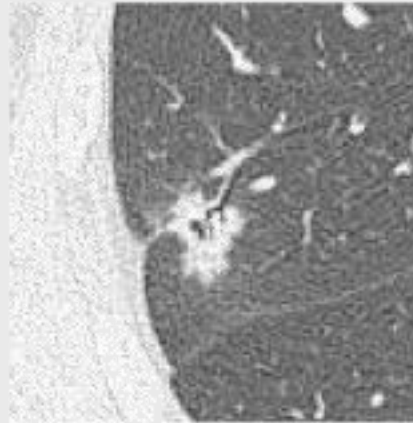
SPN

Minezawa T. et al., Bronchus sign on thin-section computed tomography is a powerful predictive factor for successful transbronchial biopsy using endobronchial ultrasound with a guide sheath for small peripheral lung lesions

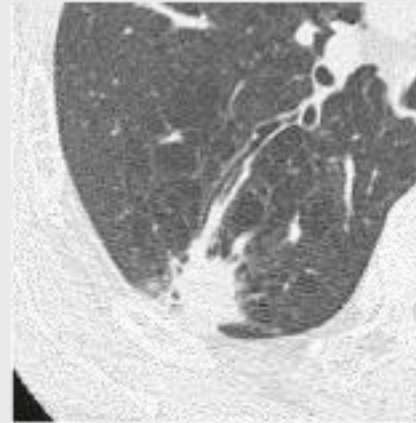
149 patients
SPN 2 cm
retrospective

TBB
110 malignant
39 benign

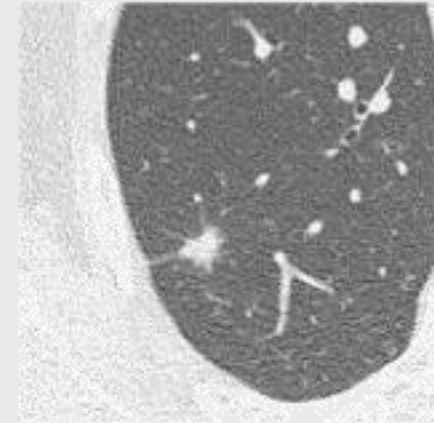
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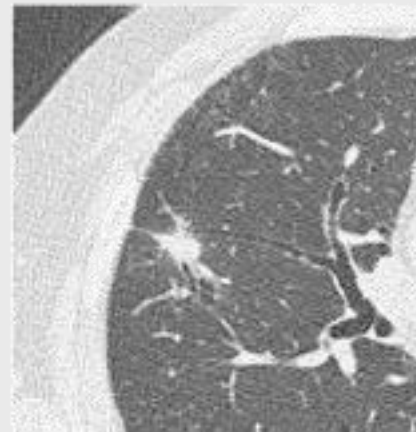
CT bronchus sign A



CT bronchus sign B



CT bronchus sign C



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Table 6 Diagnostic yield according to the CT bronchus sign, Chest X-ray findings and lesion size

CT bronchus sign	Visibility on Chest X-ray	Lesion size	Diagnostic yield % (total/malignancy)
A	Clearly visible	All size	88.0/98.6
		≥20 mm	91.9/100
		<20 mm	76.9/94.6
	Vague or invisible	All size	77.8/82.8
		≥20 mm	83.3/83.3
		<20 mm	75.0/82.4
B	Clearly visible	All size	68.8/90.9
		≥20 mm	87.5/83.3
		<20 mm	60.0/100
	Vague or invisible	All size	63.6/59.1
		≥20 mm	50.0/50.0
		<20 mm	65.2/64.3

Variables		HR	(95%CI)	p value
Visibility on Chest X-ray	Clearly visible	2.03	0.90–4.59	P = 0.087
	Vague or invisible	Ref.		
CT bronchus sign ^a	A	11.1	2.99–41.2	P < 0.001*
	B	4.62	1.24–17.2	P = 0.023*
	C	Ref.		

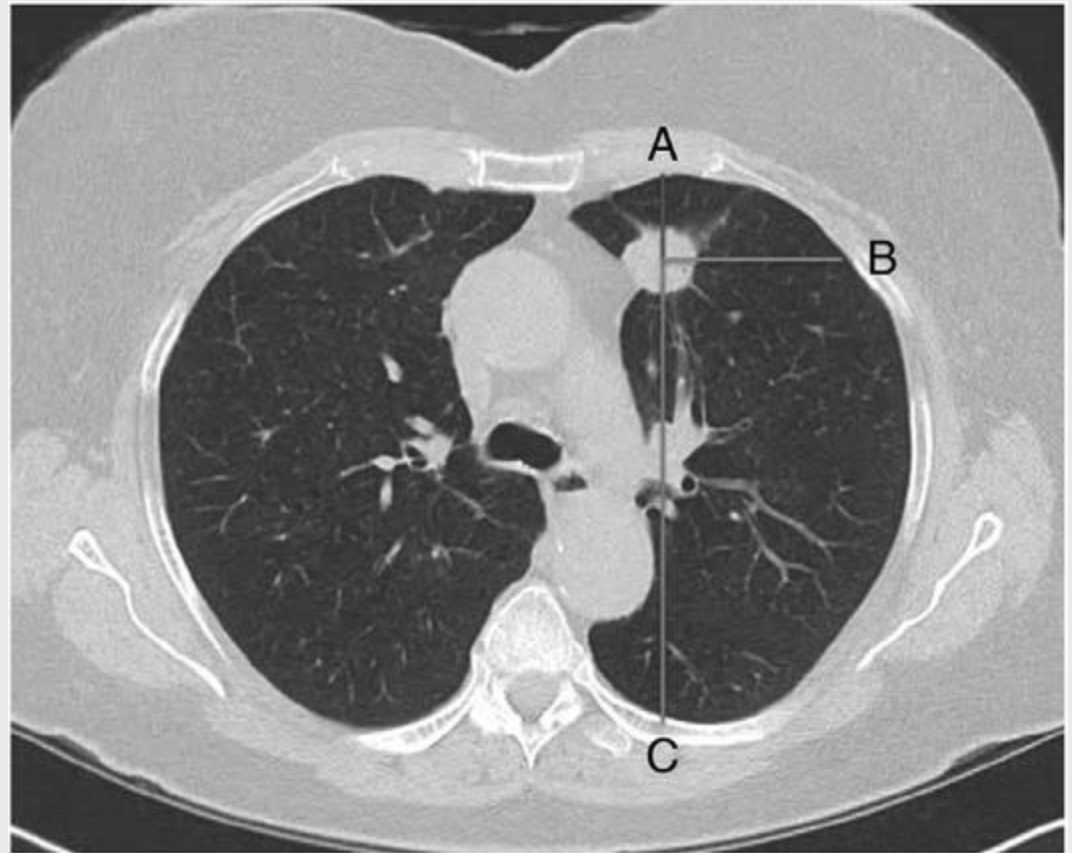
* significant difference, ^a See Methods. Ref. reference

Chen A. et al., The effect of respiratory motion on pulmonary nodule location during electromagnetic navigation bronchoscopy.

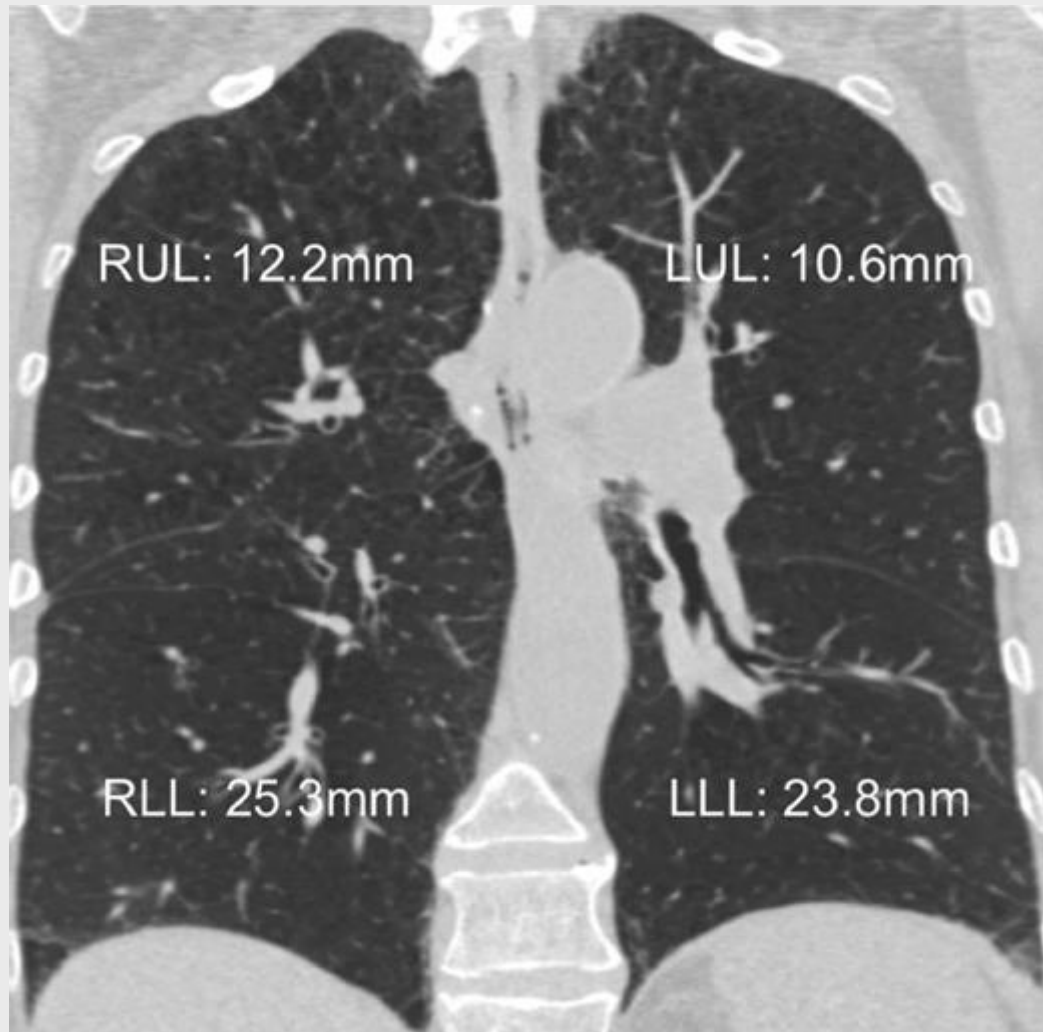
49 patients
85 SPN
mean SPN size 17 mm

In-/expiratory
HR-CT

motion of SPN



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- LLL = left lower lobe
- LUL = left upper lobe
- RLL = right lower lobe
- RUL = right upper lobe

Koizumi T. et al., Bronchoscopy-Guided Cooled Radiofrequency Ablation as a Novel Intervention Therapy for Peripheral Lung Cancer.

20 patients
SPN size 21 mm

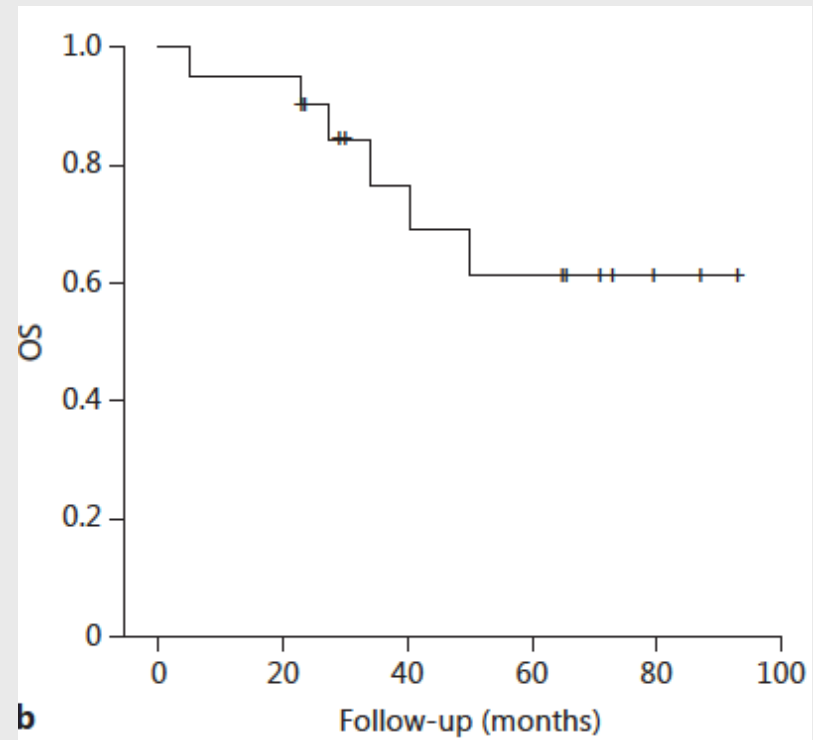
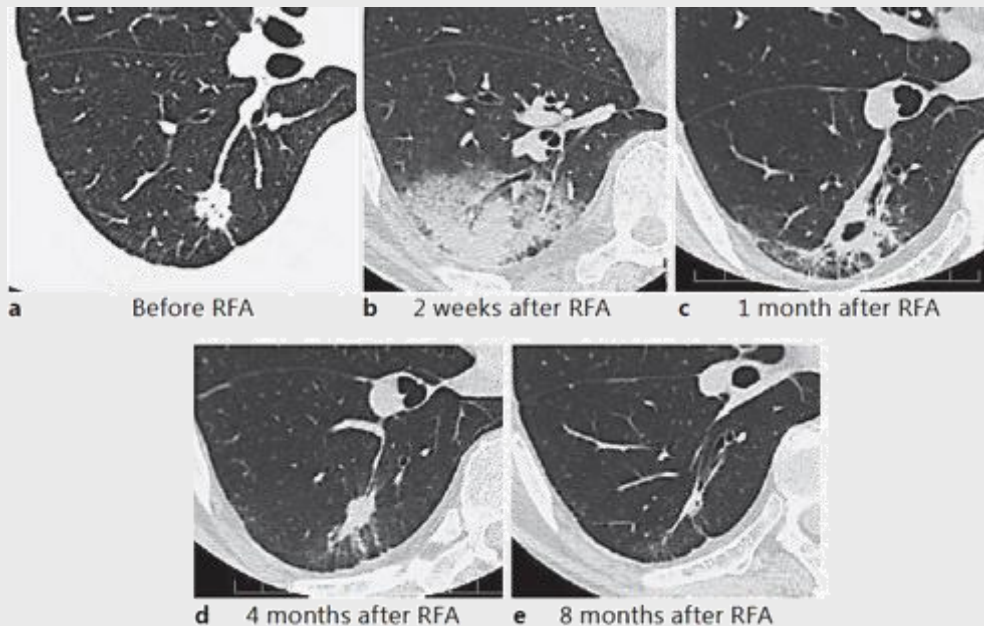
28 x RFA
endoscopic

efficacy
safety

Case	Age, years	Sex	Location	Histology	Synchronous lesions	Tumor size, mm	Comorbid diseases or history
1	80	F	rt B2	AD	+	24	cerebral infarction, after lt lobectomy
2	84	F	rt B2	AD	+	24	<i>Mycobacterium avium</i> infection, low pulmonary function
3	77	F	rt B3	AD	+	36	low pulmonary function
4	79	F	lt B8	AD	+	18	prior pleuritis, low pulmonary function
5	66	M	lt B9	SCC	-	27	after rt lobectomy, IHD
6	80	M	lt B1 + 2	SCC	-	21	IHD, COPD (GOLD II)
7	83	F	rt B3	undiff.	-	28	IHD, chronic renal failure
8	64	M	rt B1	AD	-	35	dilated cardiomyopathy, atrial fibrillation
9	78	F	lt B3	AD	+	21	low pulmonary function
10	83	M	lt B1 + 2	SCC	-	25	IHD, ASO
11	70	F	lt B3	AD	+	22	after operation for cervical carcinoma
12	84	M	rt B1	AD	-	32	follicular lymphoma
13	87	M	lt B3	AD	-	31	COPD (GOLD III)
14	80	F	rt B4	AD	+	14	liver cirrhosis, after operation for colon cancer
15	71	M	lt B1 + 2	SCC	+	15	COPD (GOLD III)
16	58	F	rt B2	AD	-	12	primary biliary cirrhosis
17	77	F	rt B9	AD	+	24	IHD
18	76	F	lt B4	AD	-	26	after operation for breast and ovarian cancer
19	78	M	rt B2	SCC	+	19	COPD (GOLD III)
			rt B1			19	
20	62	M	lt B8	SCC	+	45	after operation for gastric cancer
			rt B6			20	
			lt B6			24	

AD = adenocarcinoma; SCC = squamous cell carcinoma; IHD = ischemic heart disease; ASO = arteriosclerosis obliterans; COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Koizumi T. et al., Bronchoscopy-Guided Cooled Radiofrequency Ablation as a Novel Intervention Therapy for Peripheral Lung Cancer.



- cooled electrode catheter with a 10-mm active tip
- duration was approximately within 20 min
- No serious adverse event
- 2 patients weak chest pain

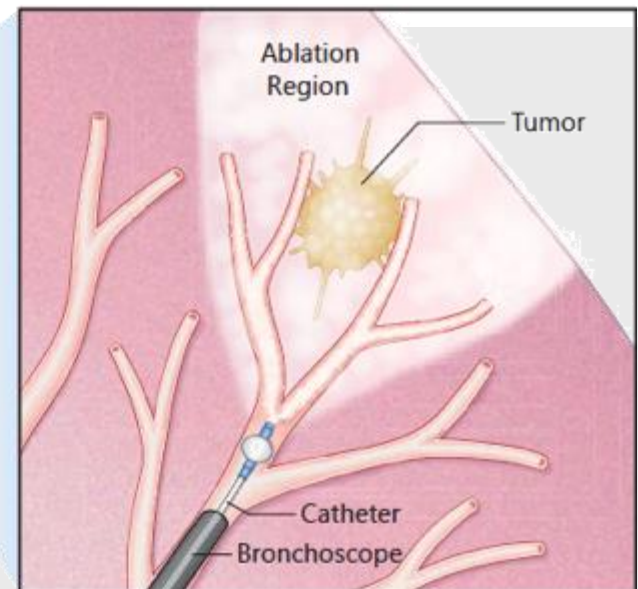
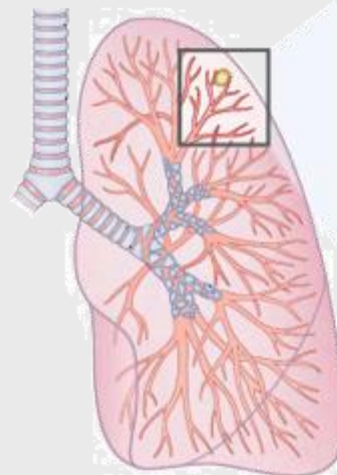
Henne E. et al., Thermal Vapor Ablation for Lung Lesions in a Porcine Model.

11 pigs
66 „SPN“

Vapor
ablation

efficacy
safety

Group name	Energy (Calories)	Number of treatments per animal	Group size (n)	Survival (days)*
Low power/Survival	125 ± 20	3	2	21
Med power/Survival	270 ± 20	3	4	10-30
Med-High power/Acute	270 - 390	4-16	5	-



Henne E. et al., Thermal Vapor Ablation for Lung Lesions in a Porcine Model.



additional SPN papers

- **TPNA (Tunneln) is possible in the eno suite**
Harzheim D et al, Respiration 2016
- **Ultrathin scopes improving the diagnostic yield**
Oki M et al, Am J Respir Crit Care Med, 2015
- **Greyscale analysis of the radial EBUS image improves the diagnostic yield**
Nguyen P et al, Respirology, 2015

Take-Home Message

- bronchus sign helpful
- SPN's are moving
- Endoscopic treatment options are upcoming
 - Radiofrequency ablation
 - Steam
 -

Endosonography

Casal RF. et al., Randomized trial of endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial needle aspiration under general anesthesia versus moderate sedation.

149 Patienten mit
EBUS

RCT
moderate
sedation
vs. general
anaesthesia

Efficiency
complications
Patient acceptance

	GA		MS		P Value
	n	%	n	%	
Diagnostic yield					
No	22	(29.3)	23	(31.1)	0.816
Yes	53	(70.7)	51	(68.9)	
Sedation/anesthesia-related complications					
n	4	(5.3)	21	(29.6)	<0.001
Hypotension	4		1		
Hypertension	0		6		
Hypoxemia	0		2		
Excessive cough	0		4		
Arrhythmia	0		3		
Aspiration	0		1		
Inadequate sedation	0		4		
How much do you recall the procedure?					<0.001
None	60	80	31	45.6	
Small amount	14	18.7	20	29.4	
Significantly	1	1.3	17	25	

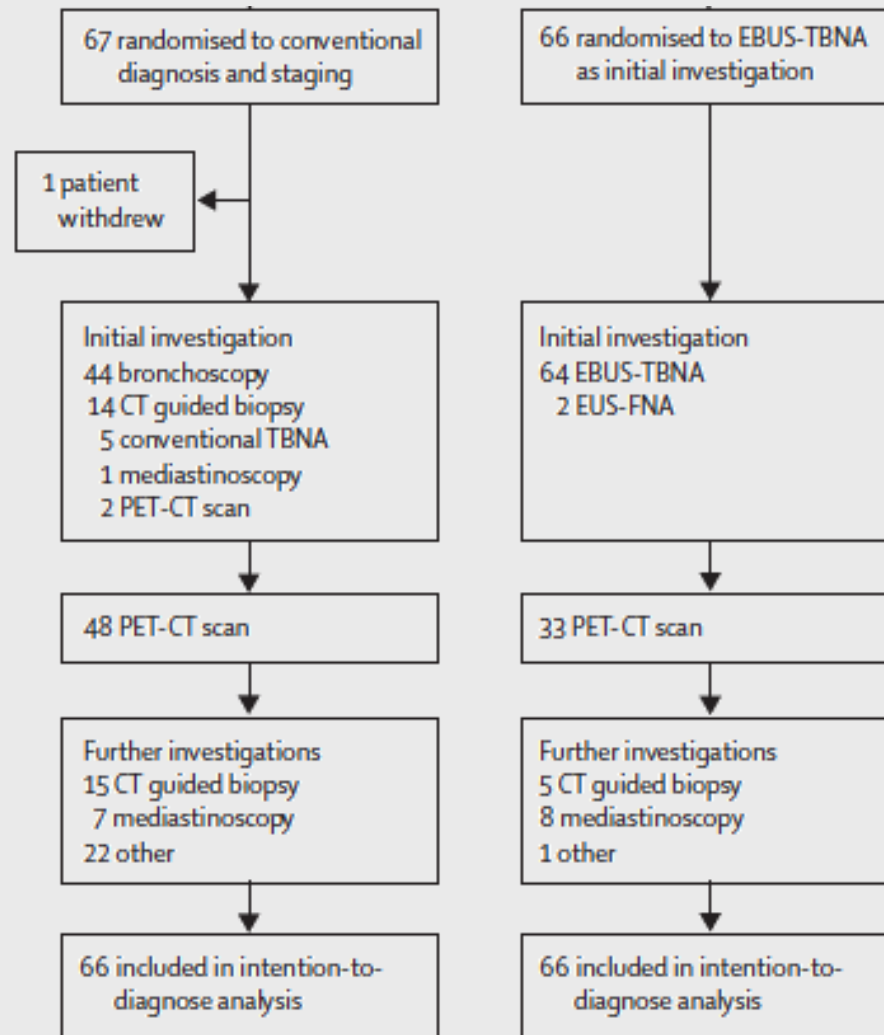
GA=general anesthesia; MS=moderate sedation

Navani N., et al., Lung cancer diagnosis and staging with endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial needle aspiration compared with conventional approaches: an open-label, pragmatic, randomised controlled trial.

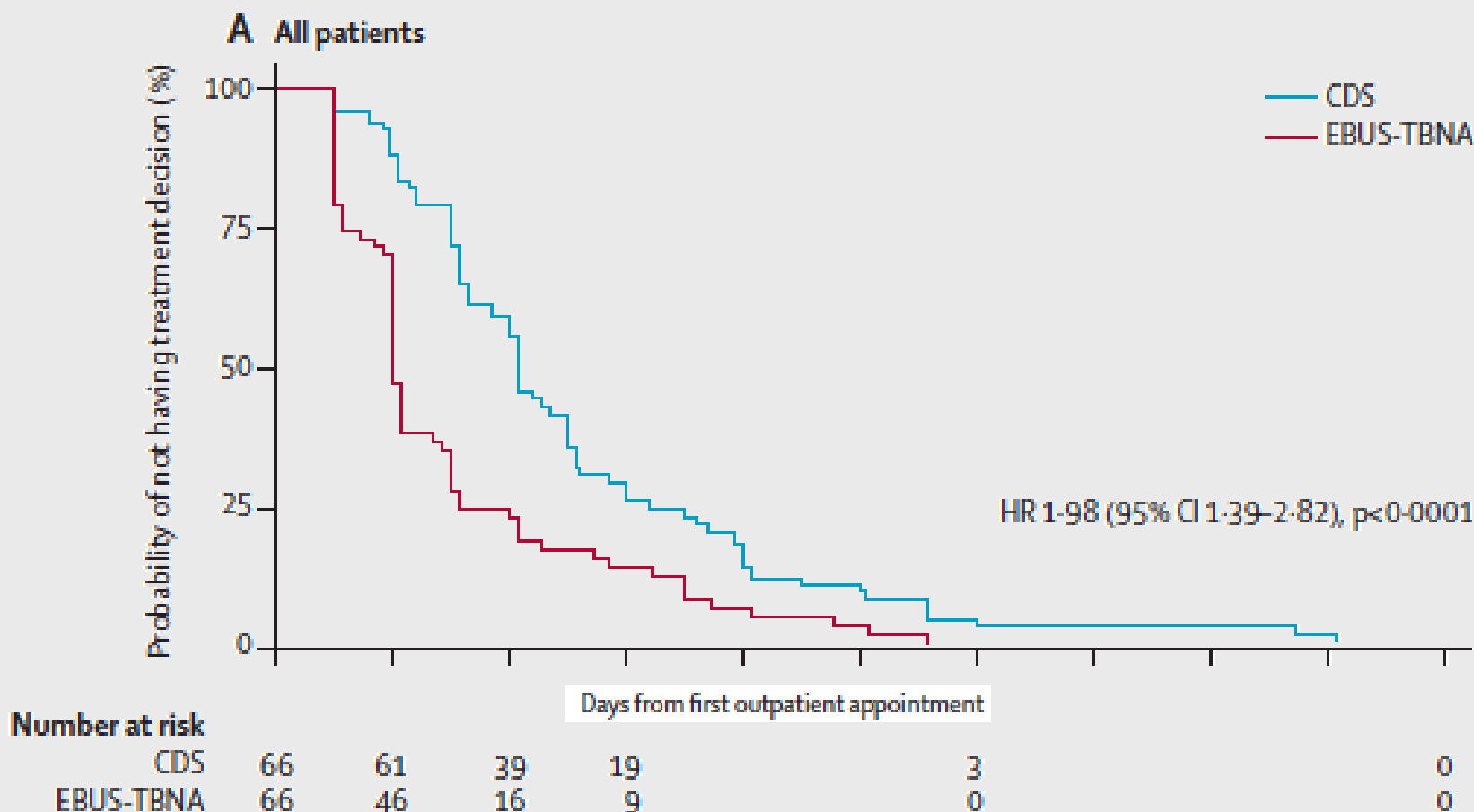
133 Patienten mit
Va NSCLC
Stad. I to IIIA

RT
conventional
staging
vs
EBUS TBNA

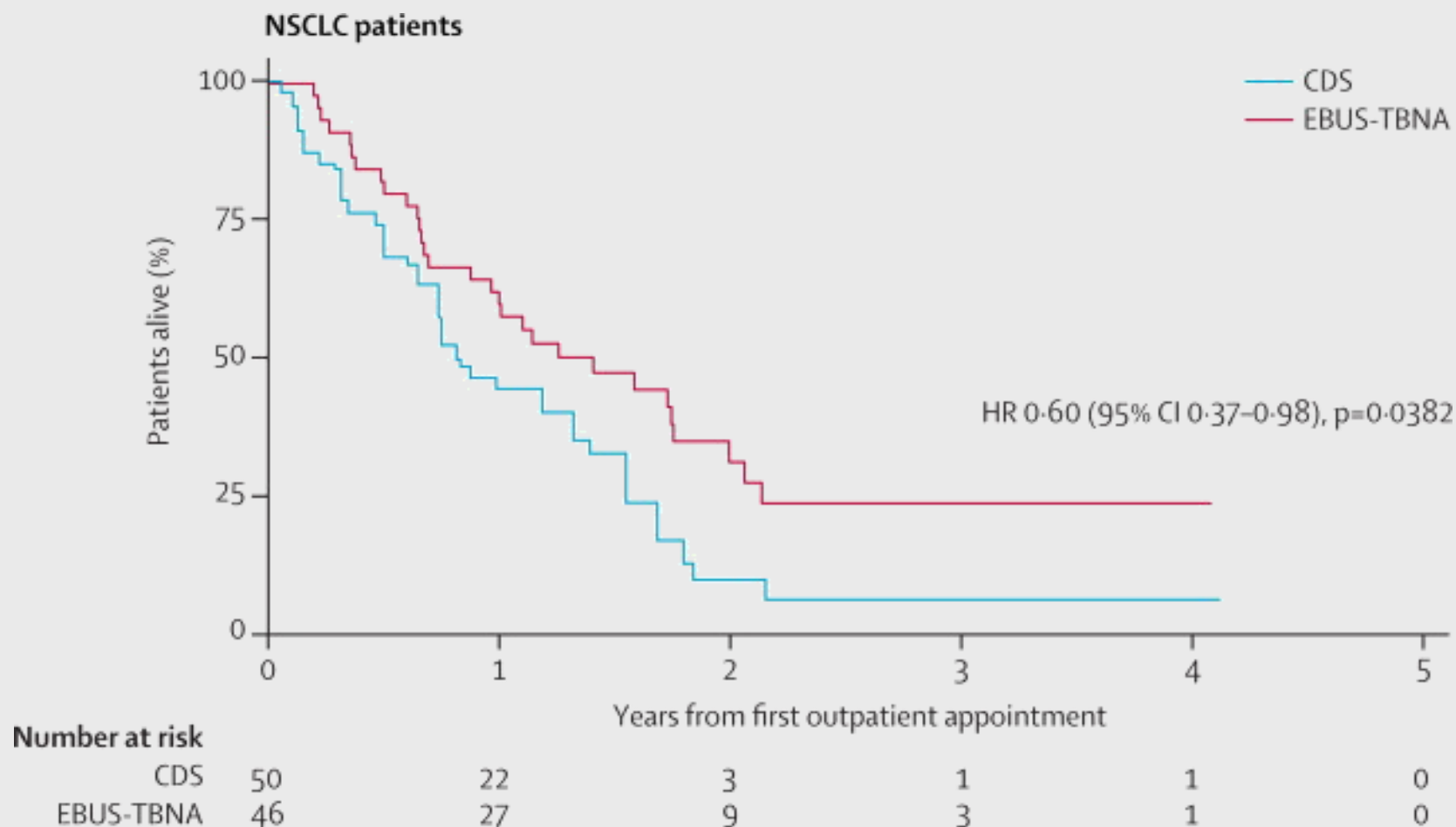
Time until the
beginning of the
therapy
Effect on survival



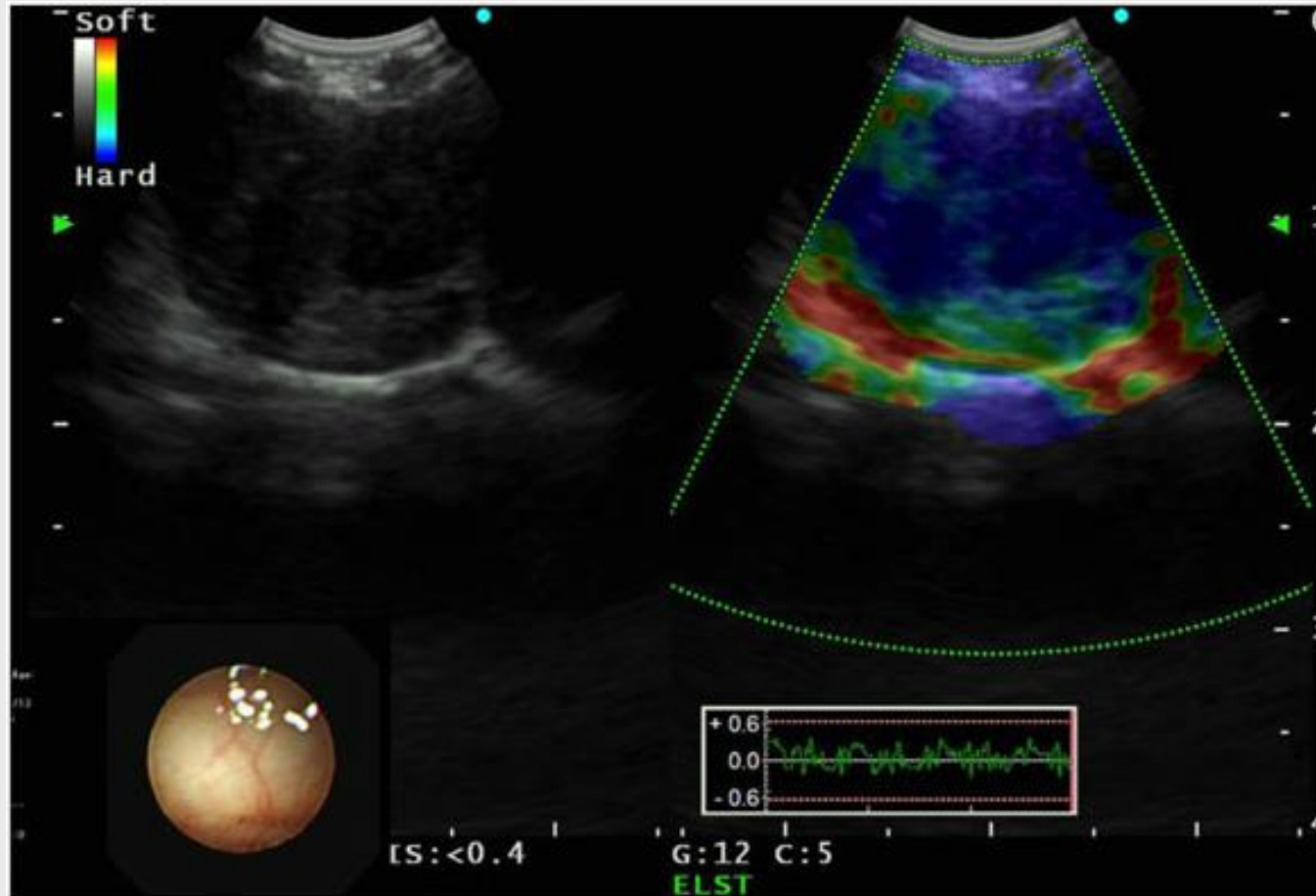
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Izumo T., et al., Endobronchial ultrasound elastography in the diagnosis of mediastinal and hilar lymph nodes.



Izumo T., et al., Endobronchial ultrasound elastography in the diagnosis of mediastinal and hilar lymph nodes.

EBUS with
Elastography
75 LK

Elastography
classification
vs.
Cytology

Value

Type 1: predominantly non-blue
Type 2: part blue, part non-blue
Type 3: predominantly blue

Elastography type	Number of benign LNs/total number (%)	Number of malignant LNs/total number (%)
Type 1 (<i>n</i> = 24)	24/24 (100)	0/24 (0)
Type 2 (<i>n</i> = 14)	6/14 (42.9)	8/14 (57.1)
Type 3 (<i>n</i> = 37)	2/37 (5.4)	35/37 (94.6)

additional EBUS-papers

- **ERS-ESTS-ESGE European Guideline EBUS-TBNA and EUS- FNA**
Vilman P et al., Endoscopy 2015
- **Simulation training improves yield and learning curve**
Konge L et al., Eur Respir J, 2015
- **Rapid on site Evaluation possible via telepathology**
Bott MN et al., Ann Thorac Surg, 2015
- **EBUS TBNA superior to classical TBNA also in sarcoidosis**
Gnass M et al., Arch Med Wewn, 2015

Take-Home Message

EBUS TBNA

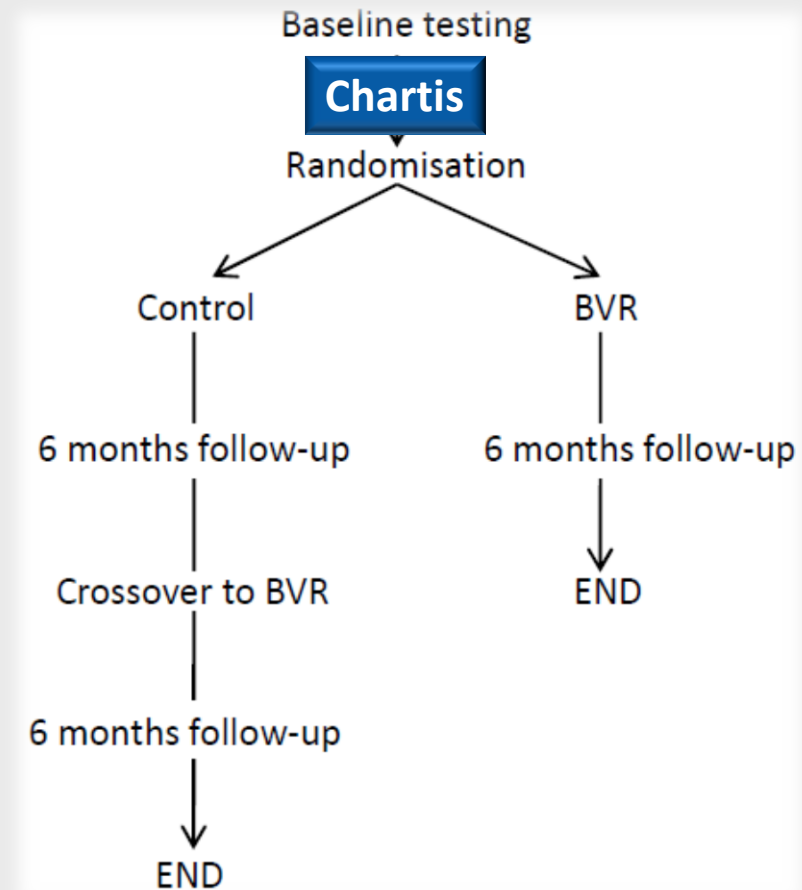
- **yield independent to sedation modality**
- **Elastography as new feature**
- **improves LC survival due to faster staging**
- **Training should be simulator based**

ELVR

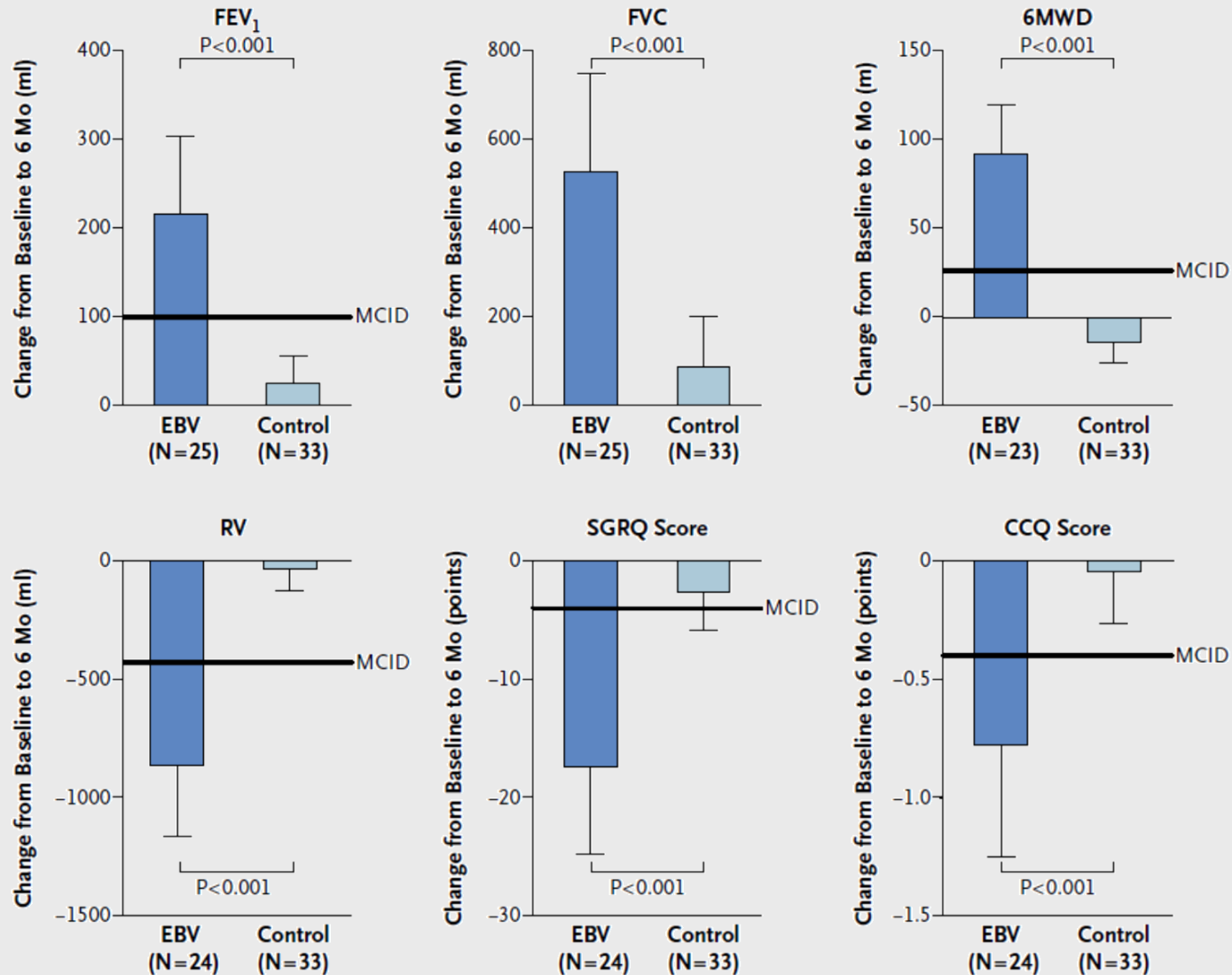
Klooster K et al., Endobronchial Valve Treatment Versus Standard Medical Care in Patients with Emphysema Without Interlobar Collateral Ventilation (The STELVIO-Trial)

- UMC-Groningen, NL
- RCT, 1:1
- n=68
- 6 month follow-up
- Crossover for control

	EBV (n=34)	CONTROL (n=34)
Age, years	58±10	59±8
FEV ₁ , % predicted	29±7	29±8
FVC, % predicted	78±16	77±20
RV, % predicted	216±36	220±32
6MWD, meters	372±90	377±84



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Event	EBV Group (N = 34) <i>no. (%)</i>	Control Group (N = 34)	P Value†
Total no. of serious events	23	5	<0.001
Pulmonary events			
Death	1 (3)‡	0	1.00
COPD exacerbation with hospitalization	4 (12)	2 (6)	0.67
Pneumonia	2 (6)	1 (3)	1.00
Pneumothorax	6 (18)	0	0.02
Resolved ≤14 days after onset, without drainage	1 (3)	0	1.00
Resolved ≤14 days after onset, with drainage	2 (6)	0	0.49
Required temporary valve removal	1 (3)§	NA	NA
Required permanent valve removal because of recurrent pneumothorax	1 (3)	NA	NA
Required permanent valve removal, after temporary removal and reimplantation, because of recurrent pneumothorax	1 (3)	NA	NA
Other EBV-related events requiring permanent removal of all valves			
Torsion of the bronchus	2 (6)¶	NA	NA
Pneumonia distal to valve	1 (3)‖	NA	NA
Increased sputum, dyspnea, or coughing without patient-perceived treatment benefit	2 (6)	NA	NA
Other EBV-related events requiring valve replacement			
Valve migration	2 (6)	NA	NA
Valve expectoration	0	NA	NA
Valve dislocation due to formation of granulation tissue	1 (3)	NA	NA
Increased sputum, dyspnea, or coughing	1 (3)	NA	NA
Stroke	1 (3)	2 (6)	1.00

Sciurba F et al., Effect of Endobronchial Coils vs Usual Care on Exercise Tolerance in Patients With Severe Emphysema (RENEW Trial). JAMA, 2016 315(20):2178-89

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315 COPD
patients
RV > 175%
1:1 random

**bilateral Coils
placement
vs.
standard of care**

Effectiveness
Difference in 6-MWT
Safety

secondary outcome
6 MWT responder rate difference
(25 meter MCID)
SGRQ, FEV₁

- MC-RCT
- n=315
- 158 coil pts., 157 SOC
- bilateral
- 12 month follow-up

	Coil	SoC
Age, years	63 ± 8	64 ± 7
FEV ₁ , % predicted	26 ± 6	26 ± 7
RV, % predicted	250 ± 40	245 ± 38
6MWD, meters	312 ± 79	303 ± 79
Homogen distribution	77 %	77 %

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	Coil Treatment (n = 158)		Usual Care (n = 157)		Between-Group Difference for Coil Treatment vs Usual Care (97.5% CI) ^b	P Value ^c
End Point	At 12 mo	Within-Group Change or Rate ^b	At 12 mo	Within-Group Change or Rate ^b		
Primary end point						
Change in 6-minute walk distance, median (IQR), m ^d	319.7 (242.9 to 387.7)	10.3 (−33.0 to 45.0)	300.0 (233.2 to 350.0)	−7.6 (−40.0 to 26.0)	14.6 (0.4 to ∞)	.02 ^a
Secondary end points						
6-minute walk distance response rate, No. (%) [95% CI] ^f	NA	63 (40.0) [31.0 to 49.0]	NA	42 (26.9) [18.9 to 35.0]	11.8 (1.0 to ∞) ^g OR: 1.8 (1.1 to ∞) ^h	.01 ⁱ
Change in FEV ₁ , median (IQR), % ^d	0.71 (0.58 to 0.88)	3.8 (−6.3 to 16.1)	0.68 (0.54 to 0.82)	−2.5 (−8.9 to 4.4)	7.0 (3.4 to ∞)	<.001 ^a
Change in St George's Respiratory Questionnaire score, mean (95% CI) ^j	51.9 (49.5 to 54.4)	−8.1 (−10.2 to −6.0)	58.4 (55.9 to 60.9)	0.8 (−1.2 to 2.9)	−8.9 (−∞ to −6.3)	<.001
Other end points						
St George's Respiratory Questionnaire response rate, No. (%) [95% CI] ^f	NA	97 (61.2) [50.9 to 71.4]	NA	43 (27.7) [18.6 to 36.8]	31.6 (20.5 to ∞) ^g OR: 4.1 (2.4 to ∞) ^h	<.001 ⁱ
Change in RV, mean (95% CI), L ^j	4.95 (4.75 to 5.14)	−0.41 (0.57 to −0.25)	5.28 (5.07 to 5.49)	−0.10 (−0.26 to 0.06)	−0.31 (−∞ to −0.11)	.001
Change in RV/TLC, mean (95% CI), % ^j	63.6 (62.4 to 64.8)	−4.0 (−5.1 to −2.9)	67.3 (66.2 to 68.4)	−0.5 (−1.6 to 0.6)	−3.5 (−∞ to −2.1)	<.001

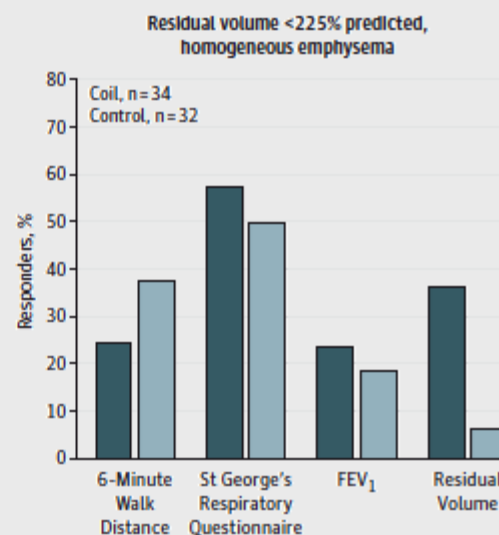
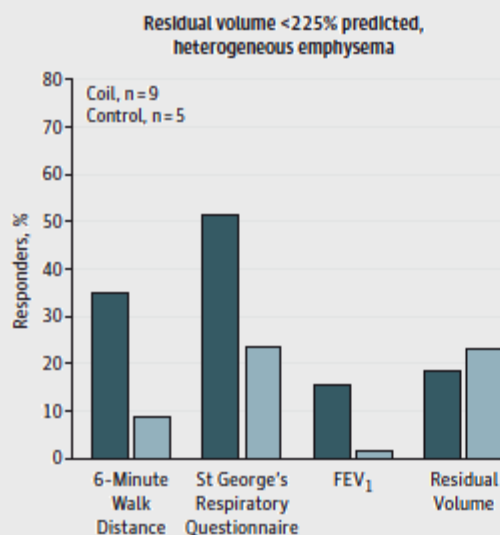
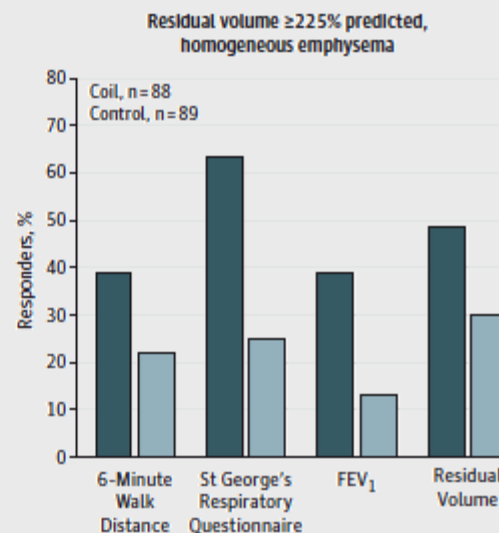
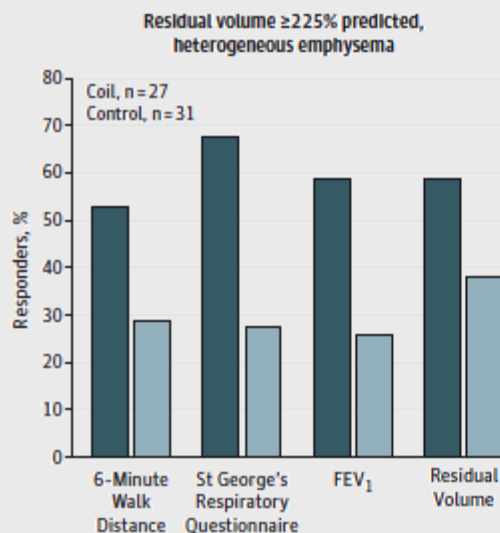
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	No. (%) of Patients ^a		Difference, % (95% CI) ^b	P Value ^c
	Coil Treatment (n = 155)	Usual Care (n = 157)		
Major complications				
Any	54 (34.8)	30 (19.1)	15.7 (5.9 to 25.2)	.002
Death	10 (6.5)	8 (5.1)	1.4 (−4.1 to 7.0)	.64
Pneumothorax requiring extended chest tube drainage >7 d	1 (0.6)	1 (0.6)	0.0 (−2.9 to 3.0)	>.99
Hemoptysis requiring intervention	2 (1.3)	0	1.3 (−1.3 to 4.6)	.25
COPD exacerbation requiring extended hospitalization >7 d	18 (11.6)	13 (8.3)	3.3 (−3.4 to 10.2)	.35
Lower respiratory tract infection, including pneumonia, requiring intravenous antibiotics and/or corticosteroids	29 (18.7)	7 (4.5)	14.3 (7.3 to 21.5)	<.001
Respiratory failure requiring mechanical ventilation	6 (3.9)	6 (3.8)	0.0 (−4.7 to 4.8)	>.99
Unanticipated bronchoscopy	0	0	NA	
Other important serious adverse events ^d				
Pneumonia ^e	31 (20.0)	7 (4.5)	15.5 (8.4 to 22.9)	<.001
COPD exacerbation	43 (27.7)	32 (20.4)	7.4 (−2.1 to 16.7)	.15
Hemoptysis	4 (2.6)	0	2.6 (−0.3 to 6.4)	
Pneumothorax ^f	15 (9.7) ^f	1 (0.6)	9.0 (4.3 to 14.7)	<.001

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Herth FJF et al., Sequential Segmental Treatment of Emphysema with Upper Lobe Predominance Trial (STEP-UP)

- MC-RCT
- n=69
- 45 treated, 24 SOC
- bilateral
- 12 month follow-up

	baseline
Age, years	62 ± 7
FEV ₁ , % predicted	33 ± 8
FVC, % predicted	78±16
RV, % predicted	237 ± 40
6MWD, meters	358± 90

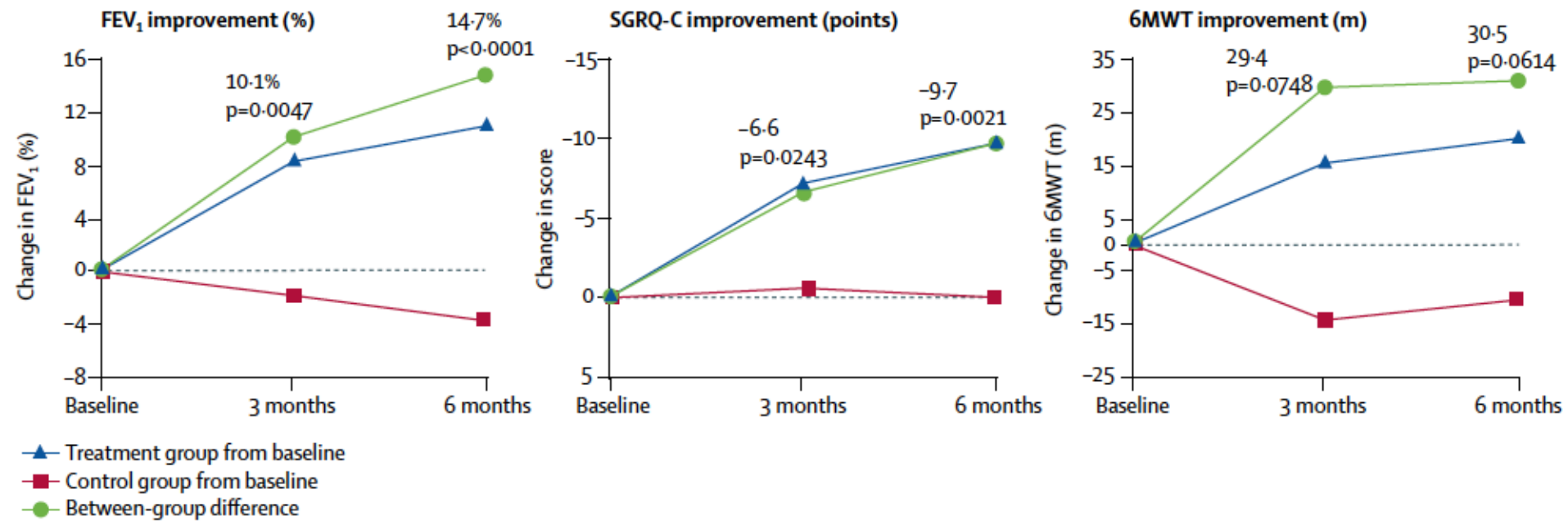
69 patients
RV > 175%
core lab

step up protocol
2 sessions
max 3 segments
vs. standard of care

primary outcome
change in FEV1%
change in SGRQ

secondary outcome
6MWT, SAE rate

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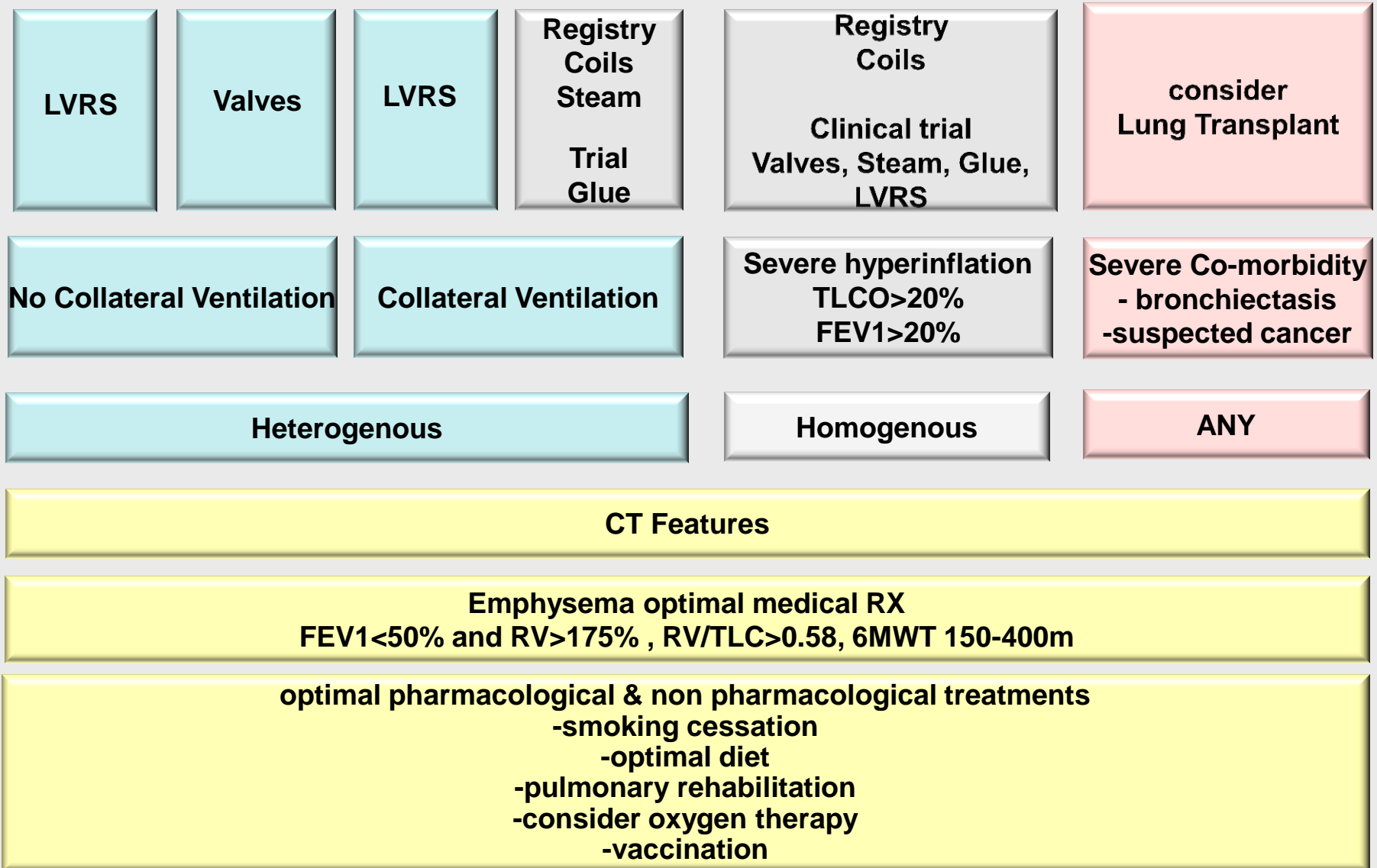


Herth FJF et al., Sequential Segmental Treatment of Emphysema with Upper Lobe Predominance Trial (STEP-UP)

	Treatment group (n=45)			Control group (n=24)
	After treatment session 1	After treatment session 2	0-180 days of treatment (overall)*	0-180 days of randomisation (overall)
COPD exacerbation	6 (13%)	6 (15%)	11 (24%)	1 (4%)
Pneumonia or pneumonitis	6 (13%)	3 (8%)	8 (18%)	2 (8%)
Pneumothorax	0	1 (3%)	1 (2%)	0
Requiring surgery	0	0	0	0
Requiring chest tube(s)	0	0	0	0
Haemoptysis	0	1 (3%)	1 (2%)	0
Death	1 (2%)	0	1 (2%)	0
Any serious respiratory adverse event	10 (22%)	9 (23%)	16 (36%)	3 (13%)

Data are n (%). *180 days after treatment session 1 or 90 days after treatment session 2.

Herth FJF et al., Endoscopic lung volume reduction – an expert panel recommendation



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22 patients

Positive relative change in
FEV1 >15% following
administration of ipratropium

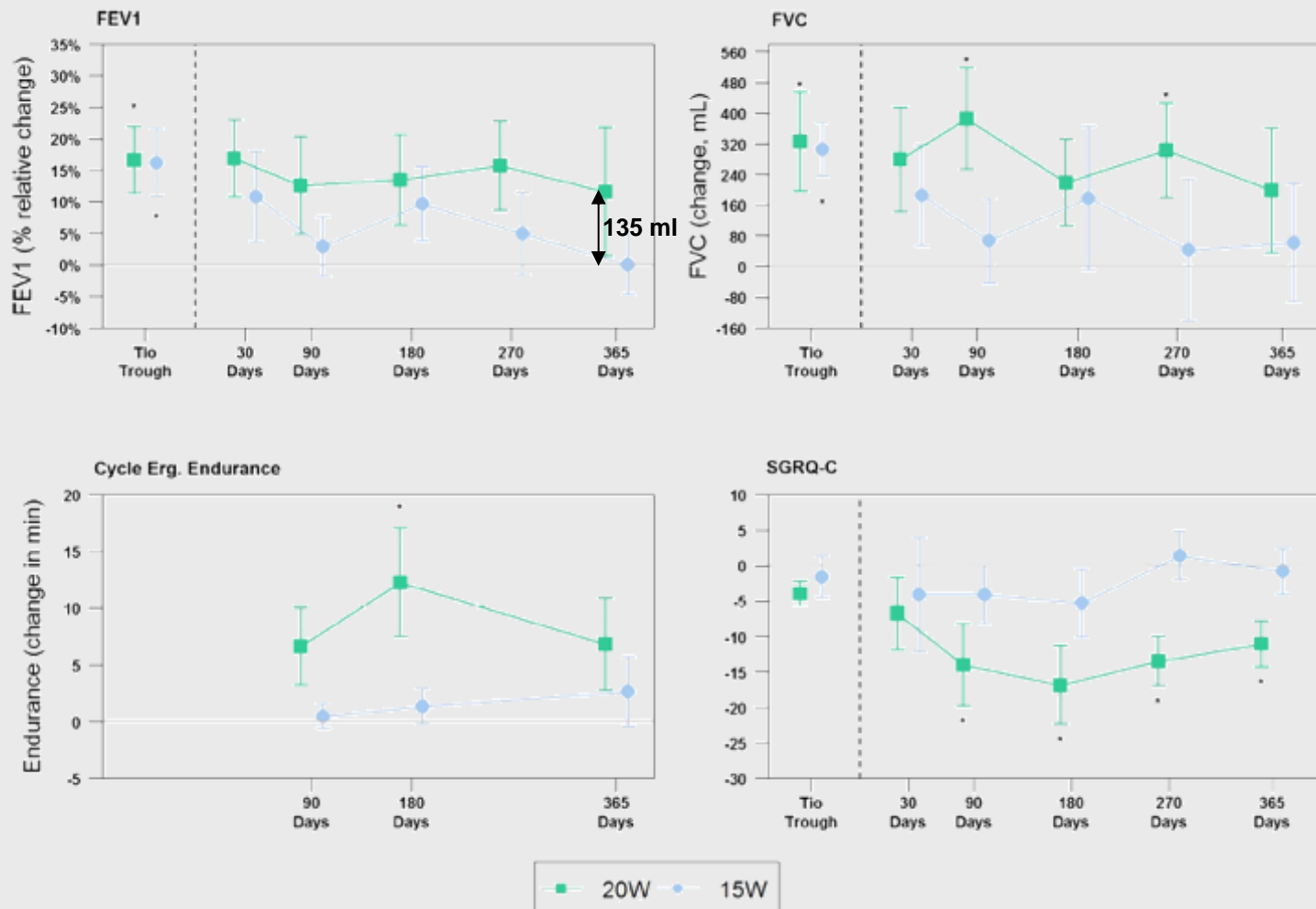
FEV1 30%–60%

TLD
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vs.
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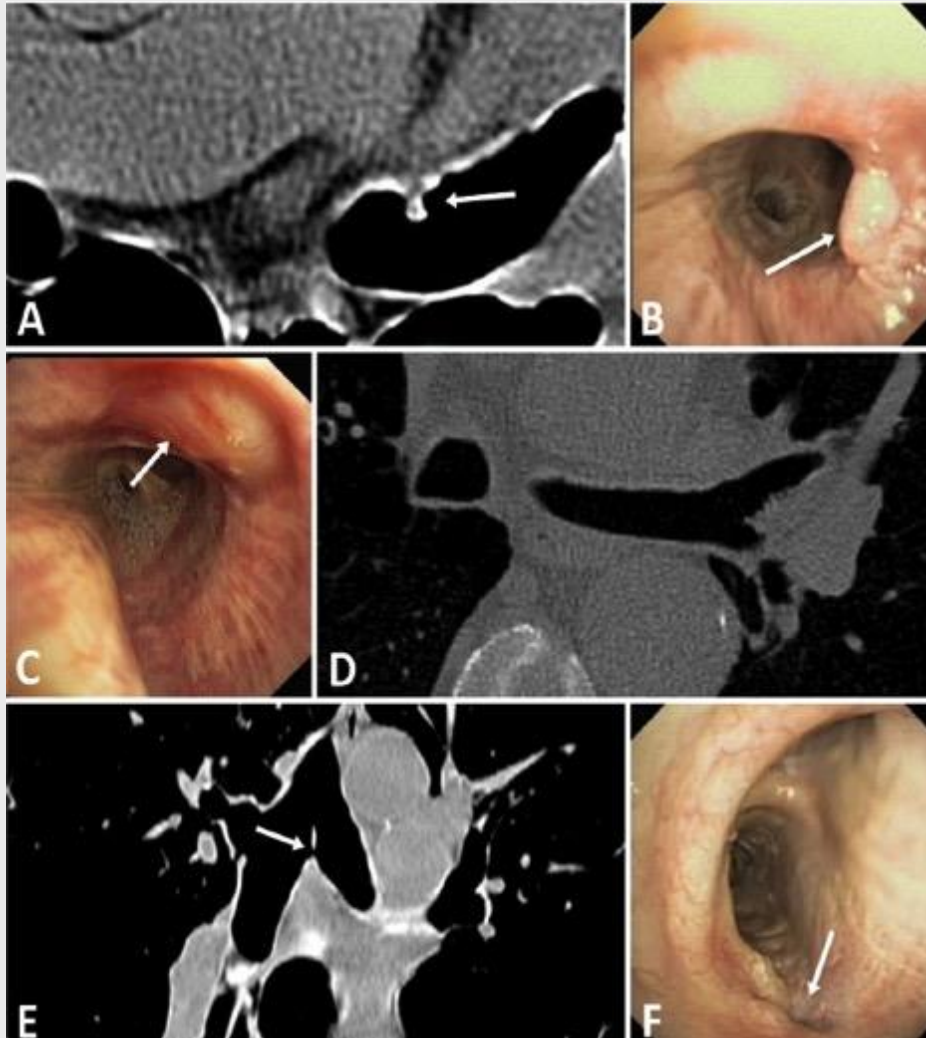
primary endpoint
worsening of COPD
Secondary endpoints
technical feasibility,
lung function, exercise
capacity, QoL.

	20 W cohort (n=12)	15 W cohort (n=10)
Age (years)	62.92 (11.37)	64.40 (8.87)
Male (n, %)	7 (58)	4 (40)
Ethnic origin (n, %)		
White	12 (100)	8 (80)
Black	0 (0)	2 (20)
History of smoking (n, %)	12 (100)	10 (100)
Pack-years	38.57 (19.97)	44.60 (25.86)
Wash-out prebronchodilator FEV ₁ (L)	0.90 (0.28)	0.84 (0.15)
Wash-out prebronchodilator FVC (L)	2.56 (0.59)	2.45 (0.60)
Reversibility peak relative change in FEV ₁ (%)	25.95 (7.60)	19.89 (1.91)
Run-in tiotropium trough FEV ₁ (L)	1.04 (0.39)	0.98 (0.23)
Run-in tiotropium trough FVC (L)	2.89 (0.76)	2.75 (0.60)
Cycle endurance time @ 75% of max (min)	6.71 (3.26)	4.57 (2.20)
SGRQ-C total score (points)	56.16 (13.71)	56.23 (20.85)
Average diameter: right main bronchus (mm)*	13.42 (1.57)	13.91 (1.62)
Average diameter: left main bronchus (mm)*	12.02 (1.45)	12.33 (1.68)

Slebos DJ. et al., Targeted lung denervation for moderate to severe COPD: a pilot study.



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- 2x Bronchial perforation (carina)
- 1x Bronchial stenosis
- 1x Bronchial ulceration
- 1x Difficulty swallowing
- 1x Gastroparesis

additional ELVR-papers

- **valves effective in upper- and lower lobe**
Eberhardt R et al, Respiration 2015
- **LTX after ELVR possible without any sideeffects**
Fuehner T et al, Respiration 2014
- **RH function improves after valving**
Pizarro C et al, Plos one, 2015
- **Perfusions scans helpful in patient selection**
Pizarro C et al, Eur Respir J, 2015
- **Valving possible in severe PH patients**
Eberhardt R et al, Respiration 2015

Take-Home Message

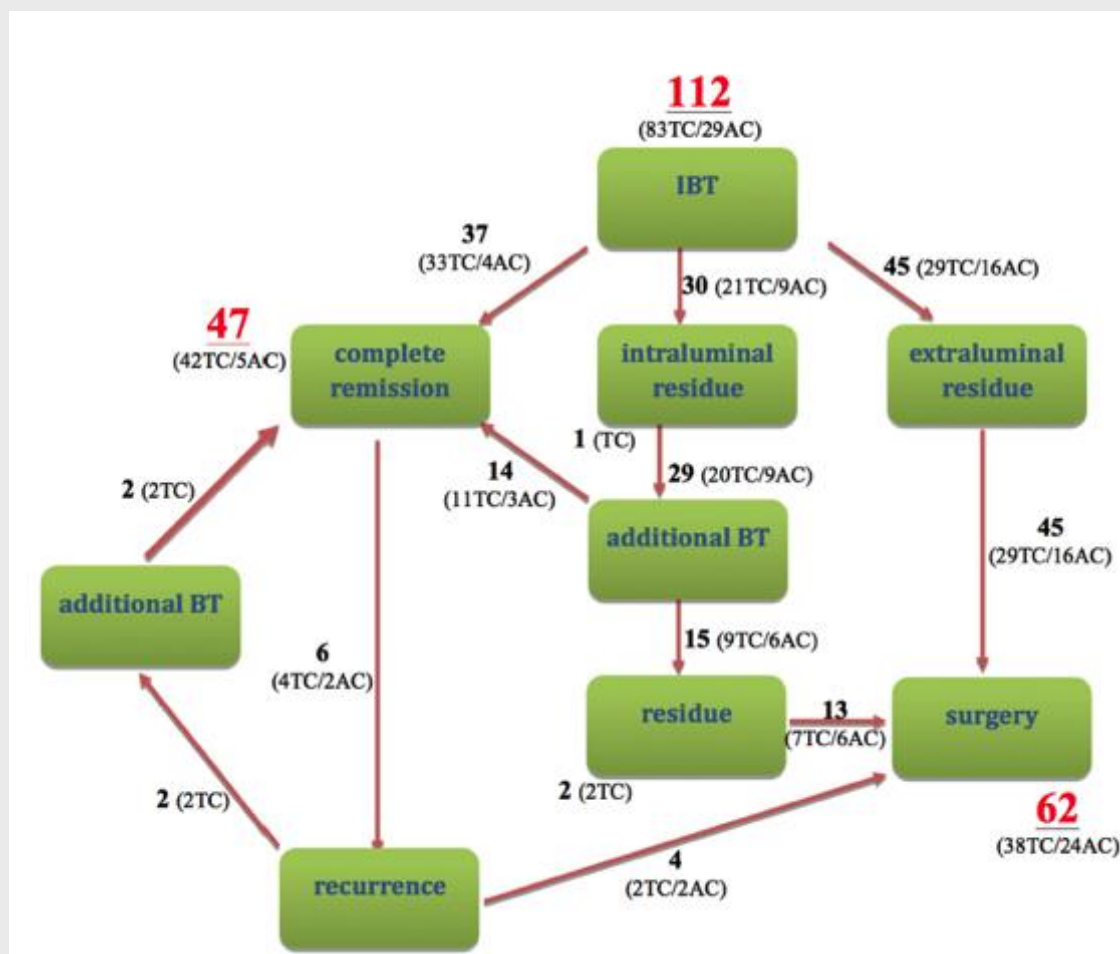
- **valve hypothesis confirmed**
- **Success rate > 80% in well selected patients**
- **Coil trials disillusioning**
- **Need for better patient selection criteria**
- **steam confirmed efficacy**
- **stepwise approach reduced AE rate**
- **Targeted lung denervation**
- **new option for COPD B/C II/III patients**
- **RCT trial started**

The best of the rest

**Brokx HA. et al., Long-term follow-up after first-line
bronchoscopic therapy in patients with bronchial carcinoids.**



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Table 3 Follow-up (FU) of patients still alive in months from initial bronchoscopic treatment (IBT) until July 2014

Carcinoid	Treatment (n)	Outcome (n)	Median FU (mo)	Range FU (mo)	Remarks
Typical (75)	IBT (38)	CR (33)	120	(73–241)	1 unfit, 2 refused IBT—Recurrence BT—July 2014
		Residue (3)	168	(140–205)	
		Recurrence (2)	10 and 63 98 and 29		
	Surgery (37)	CR (35)	129	(60–267)	IBT—Recurrence Surgery—July 2014
Atypical (25)	IBT (5)	Recurrence (2)	47 and 104 57 and 111		
		CR (5)	109	(83–170)	
		CR (18)	88.5	(60–159)	
	Surgery (20)	Recurrence (2)	116 and 198 113 and 79		IBT—Recurrence Surgery—July 2014

No residual tumour detected macroscopically (videobronchoscopy, high resolution CT) and microscopically (biopsy and brush specimens).
CR, complete remission; BT, bronchoscopic treatment.

**Conclusions: IBT is justifiable with excellent long-term outcome.
IBT made surgery unnecessary in 42% of the cases.**

Ost DE. et al., Complications Following Therapeutic Bronchoscopy for Malignant Central Airway Obstruction: Results of the AQUIRE Registry.

Quality Improvement
Registry, Evaluation,
and Education
(AQUIRE)

Registry
Interventional or
diagnostic
BRSC

Complications
IP in CAO

RESULTS: Fifteen centers performed 1,115 procedures on 947 patients. There were significant differences among centers in the type of anesthesia (moderate vs deep or general anesthesia, $P < .001$), use of rigid bronchoscopy ($P < .001$), type of ventilation (jet vs volume cycled, $P < .001$), and frequency of stent use ($P < .001$). The overall complication rate was 3.9%, but significant variation was found among centers (range, 0.9%-11.7%; $P = .002$). Risk factors for complications were urgent and emergent procedures, American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) score > 3 , redo therapeutic bronchoscopy, and moderate sedation. The 30-day mortality was 14.8%; mortality varied among centers (range, 7.7%-20.2%, $P = .02$). Risk factors for 30-day mortality included Zubrod score > 1 , ASA score > 3 , intrinsic or mixed obstruction, and stent placement.

Six patients (0.5%) died secondary to procedural complications. Four patients had a complication and died within 24 h. Two patients had a complication and died 24 h after the procedure, but the complication was believed to be contributory.

Take-Home Message

- **Carcinoids need not always a surgical solution**
- **IP is not without complications**

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- EBUS = Endobronchial Ultrasound
- EUS = Endoesophageal ultrasound
- ELVR = Endoscopic lung volume reduction
- SPN = Solitary pulmonary nodule
- LTX = Lung transplantation
- THSK = Medical thoracoscopy
- TBNA = transbronchial ultrasound
- RH = right heart
- PH = pulmonary hypertension