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Radioterapia Oncologica: l'evoluzione al servizio dei pazienti

Profilazione genomica e radioterapia Endometrio

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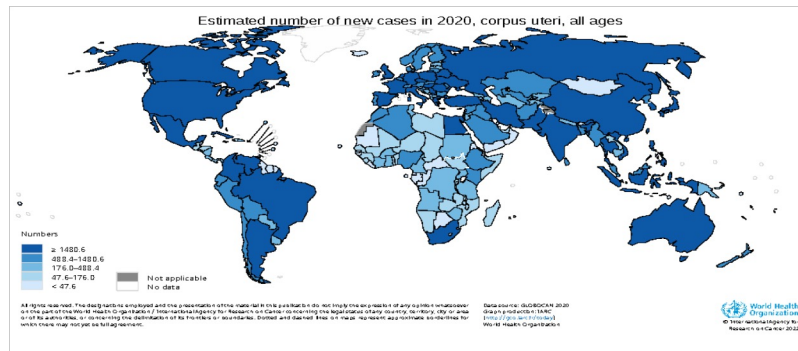
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ENDOMETRIAL CANCER

- The most common gynaecological tumor in developed countries
- The only gynaecologic cancer with rising incidence and mortality
- The increased of mortality could be caused by an inaccurate risk stratification
- While patients diagnosed at an early stage have an excellent prognosis, those diagnosed at a late stage have a 5-year survival rate of only 17%

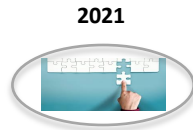
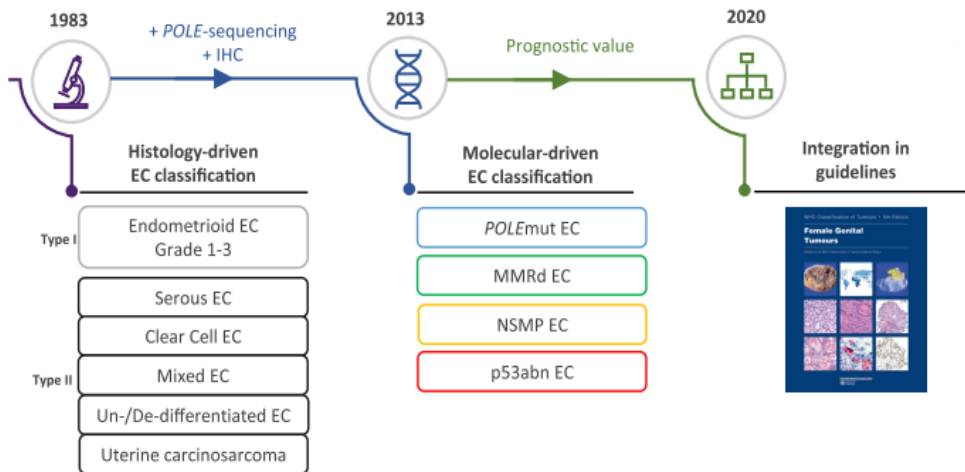


Bokhman's classification

The Cancer Genome Atlas Research Network

ESGO/ESTRO/ESP guidelines for the management of patients with endometrial carcinoma

FIGO Staging System for EC



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Table 2 Definition of prognostic risk groups

Risk group	Molecular classification unknown	Molecular classification known*
Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage IA endometrioid + low-grade + LVSI negative or focal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage I POLEmut endometrioid carcinoma, no residual disease Stage IA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade + LVSI negative or focal
Intermediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage IB endometrioid + low-grade + LVSI negative or focal Stage IA endometrioid + high-grade + LVSI negative or focal Stage IA non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) without myometrial invasion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage IA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade + LVSI negative or focal Stage IA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + high-grade + LVSI negative or focal Stage IA p53abn and/or non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) without myometrial invasion
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High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage III-IVA with no residual disease Stage I-IVA non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) with no residual disease, and with no residual disease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage III-IVA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma with no residual disease Stage III-IVA p53abn endometrioid carcinoma with myometrial invasion, with no residual disease Stage I-IVA NSMP/MMRd serous, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma with myometrial invasion, with no residual disease Stage III-IVA with residual disease of any molecular type Stage IVB of any molecular type
Advanced/metastatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage III-IVA with residual disease Stage IVB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage III-IVA with residual disease of any molecular type Stage IVB of any molecular type

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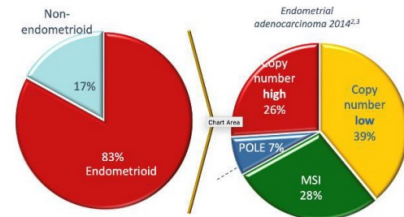
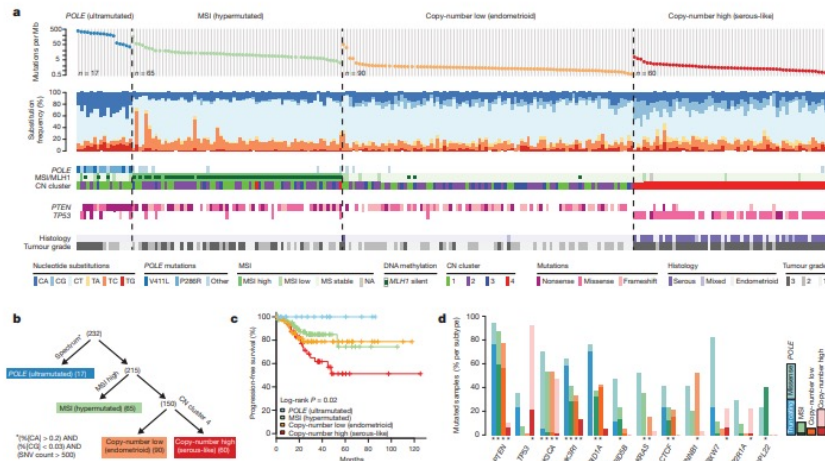
FIGO Staging System for EC

Stage	Description
Stage I	Confined to the uterine corpus and ovary*
IA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change limited by the evaluation of OE: non-aggressive histological type, i.e. low-grade endometrioid, with invasion of less than half of myometrium with no or focal lymphovascular space involvement (LVI) OE: good prognosis disease IA2 Non-aggressive histological type limited to an endometrial polyp OE: confined to the endometrium IA2 Non-aggressive histological types involving less than half of the myometrium with no or focal LVI IA2 Low-grade endometrioid carcinosarcoma limited to the uterus and ovary*
IB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-aggressive histological types with invasion of half or more of the myometrium, and with no or focal LVI† Aggressive histological types† limited to a polyp or confined to the endometrium
Stage II	Invasion of cervical stroma without extracervical extension OE: with substantial LVSI OE: aggressive histological types with myometrial invasion
IIA	Invasion of the cervical stroma of non-aggressive histological types
IIB	Substantial LVSI† of non-aggressive histological types
IIIC	Aggressive histological types† with any myometrial involvement
Stage III	Local and/or regional spread of the tumor of any histological subtype
IIIA	Invasion of uterine serosa, adnexa, or both by direct extension or metastasis
IIIA1	Spread to ovary or fallopian tube (ovary when meeting stage IIA2 criteria)†
IIIA2	Treatment of serosa, adnexa or spread through the uterine serosa
IIIB	Metastasis or direct spread to the vagina and/or to the parametria or pelvic peritoneum
IIIB1	Metastasis or direct spread to the vagina and/or to the parametria
IIIB2	Metastasis to the pelvic peritoneum
IIIC	Metastasis to the pelvic or para-aortic lymph nodes or both†
IIIC1	Metastasis to the pelvic lymph nodes
IIIC2	Micro-metastasis
IIIC3	Macro-metastasis
IIIC4	Macro-metastasis
Stage IV	Spread to the bladder mucosa and/or intestinal mucosa and/or distant metastasis
IVA	Invasion of the bladder mucosa and/or the intestinal lumen mucosa
IVB	Abdominal perforated metastasis beyond the pelvis
IVC	Distant metastasis, including metastasis to any extra- or intra-abdominal lymph nodes above the renal vessels, lung, bone, brain, or bone

TGCA PROJECT: NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN EC

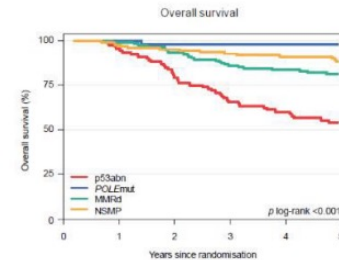
Integrated Genomic Characterization of Endometrial Carcinoma

Nature. 2013 May 2; 497(7447): 67-73.



Mackay. Oncotarget. 2017;8:84579. León-Castillo. JCO. 2020;38:3388.

Molecular subtypes define prognosis⁴



TCGA: **not feasible** in a clinical context or single patient setting!!

ProMisE (Proactive Molecular Risk Classifier for endometrial cancer)

Trans PORTEC international consortium

- Vermij 2020: IHC p53, MSH-6, PMS-2, + somatic mut POLE (exons 9,11,13,14)

More reproducible, using Immunohistochemistry and NGS

- TCGA, ProMisE and TransPORTEC validated **retrospectively!**

Ongoing PORTEC 4a study (randomized trial of molecular-profile-based vs standard recommendations for adjuvant RT in early stages EC)

- **Combine traditional pathologic and molecular results seems ideal.**

POLE (ultramutated) mutation pathogenic variants in the catalytic subunit of DNA Polymerase epsilon, performed using NGS

Mismatch repair deficient (MMRd) abnormal expression of one or more mismatch repair proteins by IHC, which is highly concordant with MSI-instability status

p53 abnormal (p53abn) exhibiting aberrant p53. This group largely corresponds to the “**copy number-high/serous-like**” TCGA group

No specific molecular profile (NSMP) exhibiting normal p53 and MMR expression by IHC and no mutations in the exonuclease domain of POLE, analogous to the “**copy number low**” subgroup in the TCGA

Histopathology

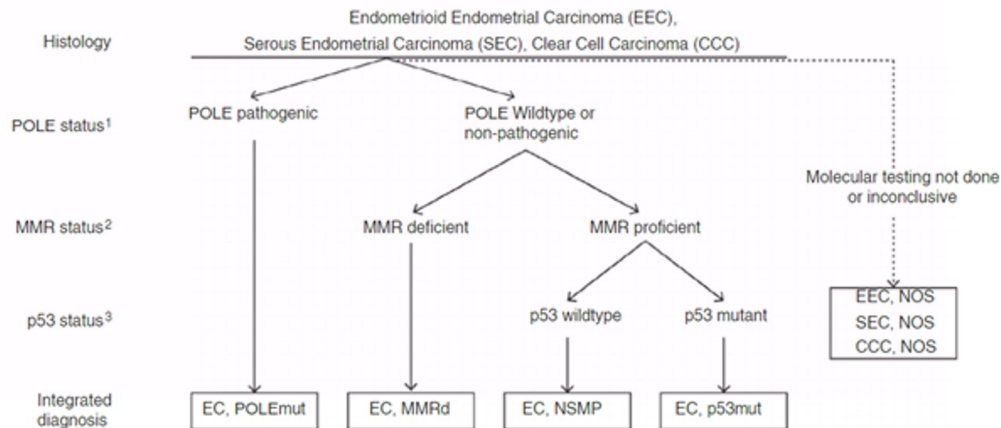
Histopathology 2020, 76, 52-63. DOI: 10.1111/his.14015

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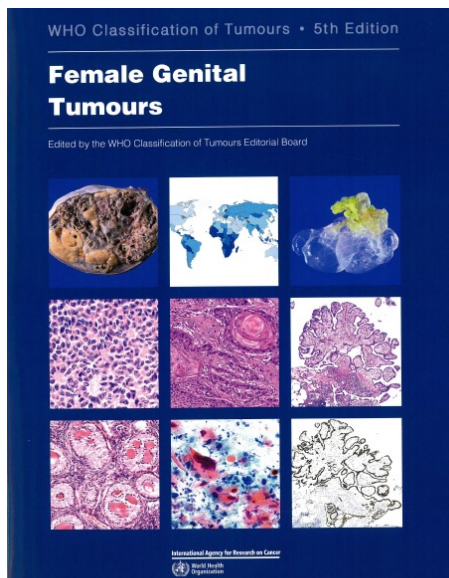
Incorporation of molecular characteristics into endometrial cancer management

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WHO classification 2020

**Endometrial epithelial tumours and precursors**

- Endometrial hyperplasia without atypia
- 8380/2 Atypical hyperplasia of the endometrium
- 8380/3 Endometrioid adenocarcinoma NOS
 - POLE*-ultramutated endometrioid carcinoma
 - Mismatch repair-deficient endometrioid carcinoma
 - p53-mutant endometrioid carcinoma
 - No specific molecular profile (NSMP) endometrioid carcinoma
- 8441/3 Serous carcinoma NOS
- 8310/3 Clear cell adenocarcinoma NOS
- 8020/3 Carcinoma, undifferentiated, NOS
- 8323/3 Mixed cell adenocarcinoma
- 9110/3 Mesonephric adenocarcinoma
- 8070/3 Squamous cell carcinoma NOS
- 8144/3 Mucinous carcinoma, intestinal type
- 9111/3* Mesonephric-like adenocarcinoma
- 8980/3 Carcinosarcoma NOS

MOLECULAR SUBTYPING OF EC

Most favorable prognosis



POLE

PTEN 94%
KRAS 53%
PIK3CA 71%
PIK3R1 65%
ARID1A 76%
FBKW7 82%
ARID5B 47%

<10%

NSMP

PTEN 77%
CTNNB1 52%
PIK3CA 53%
PIK3R1 33%
ARID1A 42%

30-40%

MSI

PTEN 88%
KRAS 35%
PIK3CA 71%
RPL22 33%
PIK3CA 54%
PIK3R1 40%
ARID1A 37%

25-30%

HCN

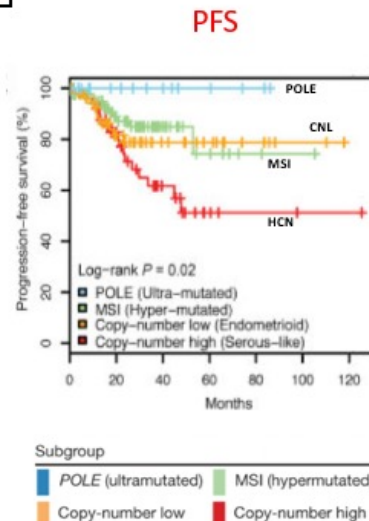
Tp53 92%
PPP2R1A 22%
PIK3CA 47%
Chromosomal Instability
(MYC, erb B2, CCNE1, FGFR3, SOX17)

15-25%

Worst prognosis



TGCA, Nature 2013

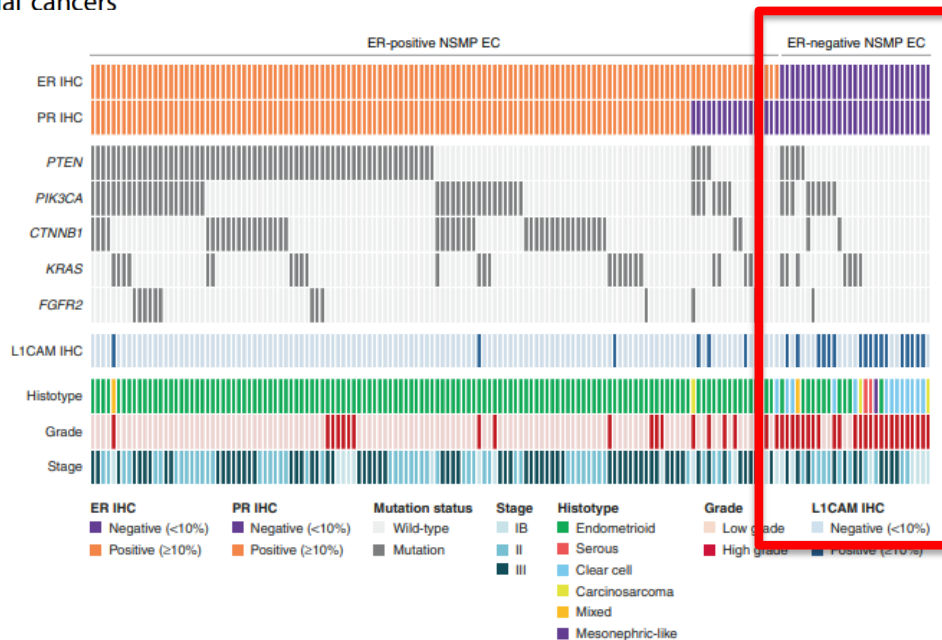


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Prognostic refinement of NSMP high-risk endometrial cancers using oestrogen receptor immunohistochemist

648 high-risk EC

Assesment of the prognostic value of ER, PR, L1CAM and CTNNB1 mutations



Vermij L. et al.Br J Cancer (2023) 128:1360-1368

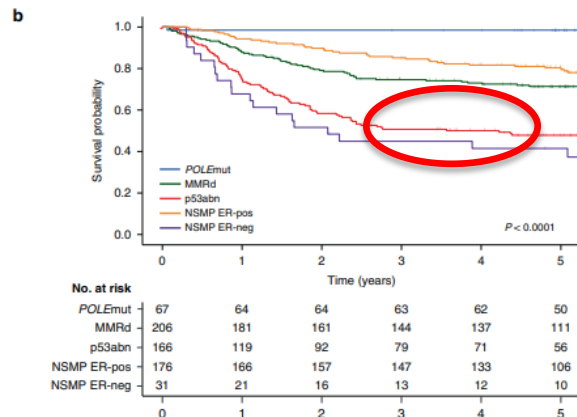
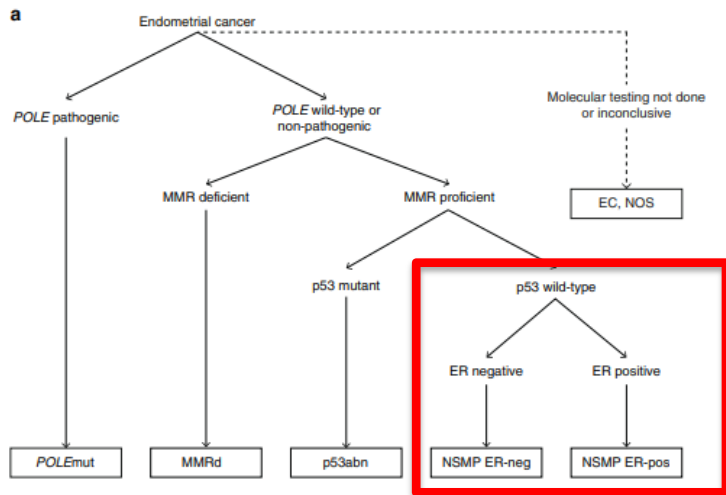
Incorporation of ER status in the molecular classification of endometrial cancer

Assessment of ER status in high-risk NSMP EC is **feasible** in clinical practice and has the potential to **improve risk stratification** and **treatment** of patients with NSMP EC

Hormone tx

Inhibition of cyclin D-CDK4/6 (palbociclib)

ENGOT-EN3/NSGO-PALEO: Letrozolo + Palbociclib increase PFS and disease control rate

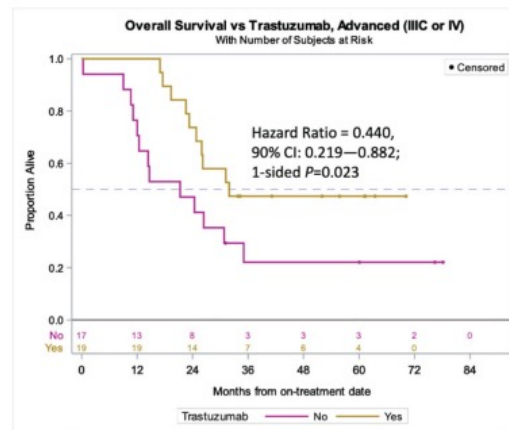
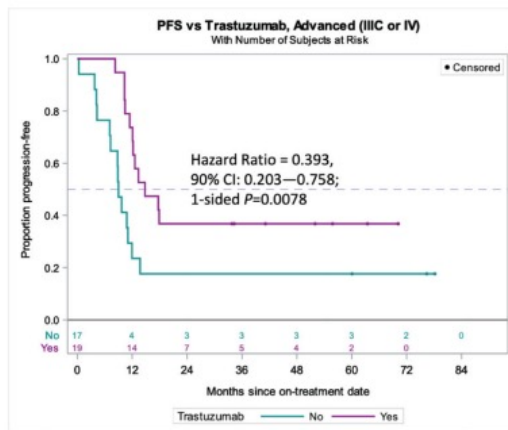


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Randomized phase II trial of carboplatin-paclitaxel compared to carboplatin-paclitaxel-trastuzumab in advanced (stage III-IV) or recurrent uterine serous carcinomas that overexpress Her2/Neu (NCT01367002) **updated overall survival analysis**

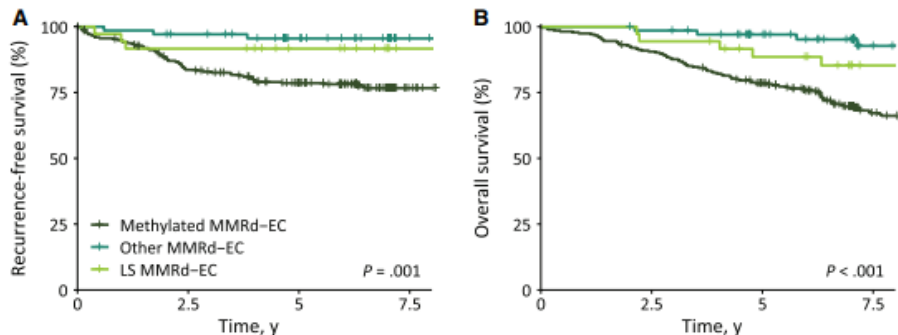
In a subset analysis of patients restricted to stage IIIC/IV disease, the addition of trastuzumab (n=17) continued to provide both: **progression-free survival** benefit over control (n=19) (9.0 versus 14.8 months, HR 0.393,) and **overall survival** benefit over control (21.1 versus 31.9 months, HR 0.440) undergoing primary therapy after surgery



HER2

MSI High

Mismatch repair deficient subgroup (MMRd)



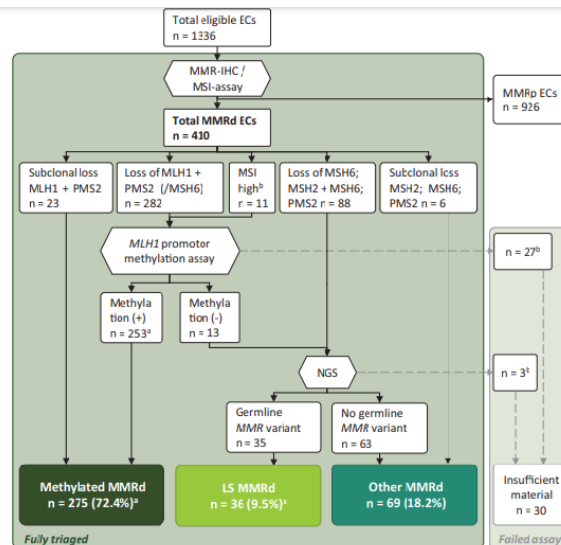
Related to germline mutations of MMR genes

- 3% of all EC
- 10% of MMRd/MSI EC



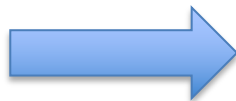
Prevalence and Prognosis of Lynch Syndrome and Sporadic Mismatch Repair Deficiency in Endometrial Cancer

Post et al.
JNCI Natl Cancer Inst (2021) 113(9): djab029



Single agent IO efficacy?

Study	Drug	N	Patient Selection	ORR(%)
Keynote 158:	Pembrolizumab	49	Advanced/metastatic dMMR	57%
Garnet :Oaknin (2020)	Dostarlimab	71	Previously treated Recurrent/advanced d-MMR	45%
PHAEDRA: Antill (2019)	Durvalumab	35	Advanced/metastatic p-MMR	43%
Konstantinopoulos (2019)	Avelumab	15	Advanced/metastatic d-MMR	27%



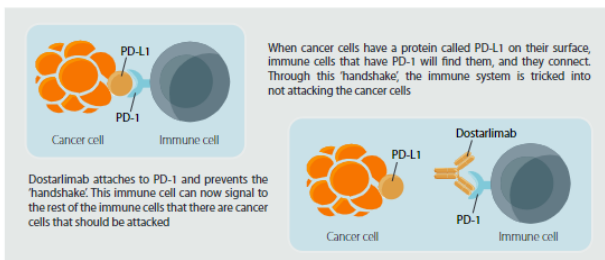
THE NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

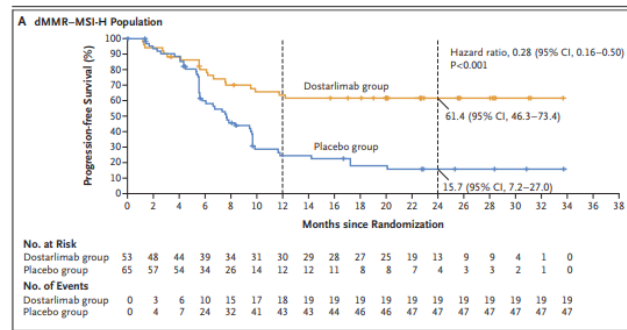
Dostarlimab for Primary Advanced or Recurrent Endometrial Cancer

M.R. Mirza, D.M. Chase, B.M. Slomovitz, R. dePont Christensen, Z. Novák, D. Black, L. Gilbert, S. Sharma, G. Valabrega, L.M. Landrum, L.C. Hanker, A. Stuckey, I. Boere, M.A. Gold, A. Auranen, B. Pothuri, D. Cibula, C. McCourt, F. Raspagliesi, M.S. Shahin, S.E. Gill, B.J. Monk, J. Buscema, T.J. Herzog, L.J. Copeland, M. Tian, Z. He, S. Stevens, E. Zografos, R.L. Coleman, and M.A. Powell, for the RUBY Investigators*

RUBY trial: Dostarlimab is an immune-checkpoint inhibitor that targets the programmed cell death 1 receptor. The combination of **CT (carboplatin-paclitaxel)** and immunotherapy may have synergistic effects in the treatment of endometrial cancer



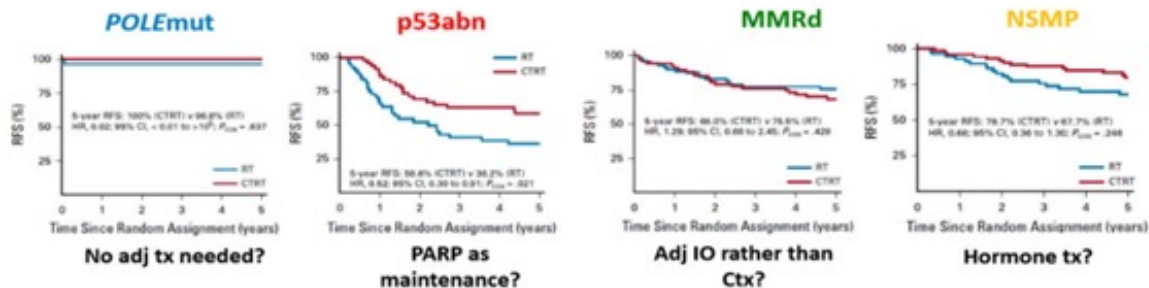
Oaknin A, et al. *J Immunother Cancer* 2022;10:e003777.



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MOLECULAR SUBTYPING OF EC

PORTEC-3 Trial



Prognostic and predictive value of benefit from adj treatment

- **POLEmut**: does not relapse regardless of tx
- **P53abn**: worst prognosis but greatest benefit from adj Ctx
- **MSI** and **NSMP**: intermediate prognosis, but little benefit from Adj Ctx

What else?

ESGO/ESTRO/ESP guidelines



- Integration of molecular markers with traditional pathologic features
- **Quantification LVI negative-focal-substantial** (tumor in 5 or more cells in lymphovascular spaces)
- **Binary FIGO grading** Grade 1 and 2 low-grade; Grade 3 high-grade
- **Sentinel lymph node biopsy** can be considered for staging in patients with **low-risk/intermediate-risk disease**. It can be omitted in cases without myometrial invasion
- **Surgical lymph node staging** should be performed in patients with **high intermediate risk/high risk disease**

Table 2 Definition of prognostic risk groups

Risk group	Molecular classification unknown	Molecular classification known**
Low	▶ Stage IA endometrioid + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal	▶ Stage I-II POLEmut endometrioid carcinoma, no residual disease ▶ Stage I-II MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal
Intermediate	▶ Stage IB endometrioid + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal ▶ Stage IA endometrioid + high-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal ▶ Stage IA non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) without myometrial invasion	▶ Stage IB MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal ▶ Stage IA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + high-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal ▶ Stage IA p53abn and/or non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) without myometrial invasion
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High	▶ Stage III-IVA with no residual disease ▶ Stage I-IVA non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) with myometrial invasion, and with no residual disease	▶ Stage III-IVA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma with no residual disease ▶ Stage I-IVA p53abn endometrioid carcinoma with myometrial invasion, with no residual disease ▶ Stage I-IVA NSMP/MMRd serous, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma with myometrial invasion, with no residual disease
Advanced metastatic	▶ Stage III-IVA with residual disease ▶ Stage IVB	▶ Stage III-IVA with residual disease of any molecular type ▶ Stage IVB of any molecular type

Concin N, et al. *Int J Gynecol Cancer* 2021;31:12-39. doi:10.1136/ijgc-2020-002230

Low risk

Risk group	Molecular classification unknown	Molecular classification known*†
Low	▶ Stage IA endometrioid + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal	▶ Stage I-II POLEmut endometrial carcinoma, no residual disease ▶ Stage IA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade‡ + LVSI negative or focal

**NO ADJUVANT TREATMENT****Recommendations**


- For patients with low-risk EC no adjuvant treatment is recommended [I,A]
- When molecular classification is known:
 - **Stage I–II**, low-risk based on pathogenic POLE-mutation, omission of adjuvant treatment should be considered [III,A]
 - **Stage III–IVA** and POLE-mutation: no data with the omission of the adjuvant treatment [IV,C] (all pts in PORTEC3 treated with EBRT)

Intermediate risk

No substantial **LVSI** is crucial prognostic factor for both local and distant recurrence and for OS (PORTEC trial)

Intermediate	
▶ Stage IB endometrioid + low-grade† + LVSI negative or focal	▶ Stage IB MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + low-grade† + LVSI negative or focal
▶ Stage IA endometrioid + high-grade† + LVSI negative or focal	▶ Stage IA MMRd/NSMP endometrioid carcinoma + high-grade† + LVSI negative or focal
▶ Stage IA non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) without myometrial invasion	▶ Stage IA p53abn and/or non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) without myometrial invasion

Recommendations

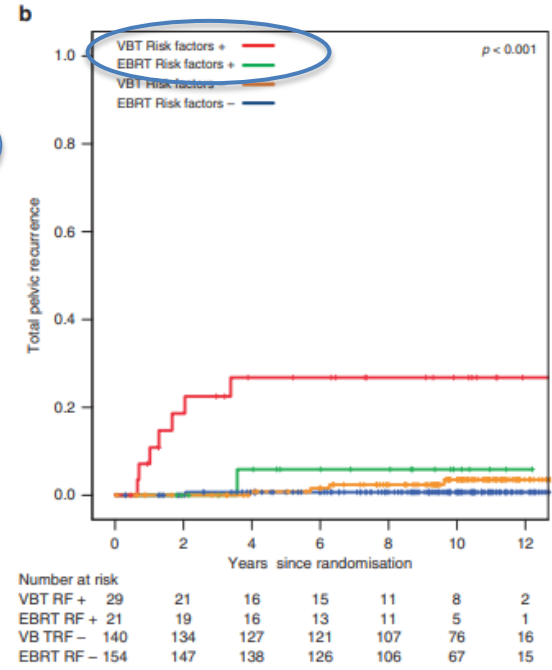
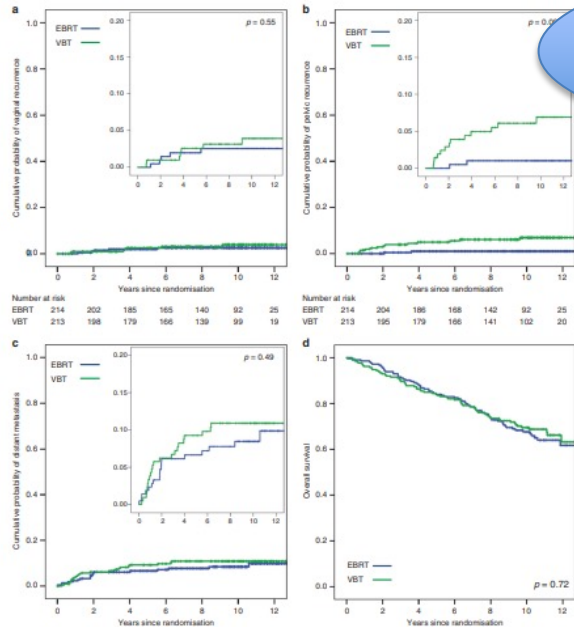
- Adjuvant **BT** recommended to decrease vaginal recurrence [I,A]
 - Omission of adjuvant BT can be considered for patients <60y [II,A]
 - When molecular classification is known, POLE mut and p53abn with myometrial invasion have specific recommendations
 - For p53abn carcinomas restricted to a polyp or without myometrial invasion, adjuvant therapy is generally **not recommended** [III,C]
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- EBRT versus BT (PORTEC II): BT alone recommended to decrease vaginal recurrence. No decrease in OS with omission of BT, > 14% risk of local recurrence (Danish Study)
 - No benefit in OS → no adjuvant treatment is an option in this group (<60y)

Ten-year results of the PORTEC-2 trial for high-intermediate risk endometrial carcinoma: improving patient selection for adjuvant therapy

B. G. Wortman¹, C. L. Creutzberg¹, H. Putter², I. M. Jürgenliemk-Schulz³, J. J. Jobsen⁴, L. C. H. W. Lutgens⁵, E. M. van der Steen-Banasik⁶, J. W. M. Mens⁷, A. Slot⁸, M. C. Stenfort-Kroese⁹, B. van Triest¹⁰, H. W. Nijman¹¹, E. Stelloo¹², T. Bosse¹³, S. M. de Boer¹, W. L. J. van Putten¹⁴, V. T. H. B. M. Smit¹⁵ and R. A. Nout¹ for the PORTEC Study Group

substantial LVSI, L1CAM expression or p53-mutant expression

EBRT provided better pelvic control in patients with **unfavourable risk factors**: substantial LVSI, p53abn or L1CAM overexpression (higher risk of pelvic recurrence)



British Journal of Cancer (2018) 119:1067-1074;

High-intermediate risk (pN0 after lymph node staging)

High-intermediate

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Recommendations

- Adjuvant BT is recommended to decrease vaginal recurrence [II,B]
- EBRT can be considered for substantial LVSI and stage II [I,B]
- Adjuvant chemotherapy can be considered, especially for high grade and/or substantial LVSI [II,C]
- Omission of any adjuvant treatment is an option [IV,C]
- When molecular classification is known, POLEmut and p53abn have specific recommendations



SN ultrastaging

- No difference between adjuvant chemo alone and EBRT alone in DFS and OS (*Maggi et al, 2006 and Susumu et al, 2008*)
- Combination of chemo and radiotherapy provide better DFS and OS than radiotherapy alone (*NSGO/EORTC trial and PORTEC-3 trials*)
- No benefit in DFS or OS from 3 cycles of chemo with BCT compared with EBRT alone (*GOG-249 trial*)
- No benefit of chemotherapy for MMRd carcinomas (*Molecular analysis of PORTEC-3*)

High-intermediate risk cN0/pNx (lymph node staging not performed)

High-intermediate

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Recommendations

- Adjuvant EBRT is recommended, especially for substantial LVSI and/or for stage II [I,A] (*GOG-249, PORTEC-3 and GOG-99 trials*)
- Additional adjuvant chemotherapy can be considered, especially for high-grade and/or substantial LVSI [II,B] (*PORTEC-3 trial*)
- Adjuvant BT alone can be considered for high-grade LVSI negative and for stage II G1 endometrioid carcinomas [II,B]
- When molecular classification is known, POLEmut and p53abn have specific recommendations

High risk

High

- ▶ Stage III–IVA with no residual disease
- ▶ Stage I–IVA non-endometrioid (serous, clear cell, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma, mixed) with myometrial invasion, and with no residual disease
- ▶ Stage III–IVA **MMRd/NSMP** endometrioid carcinoma with no residual disease
- ▶ Stage I–IVA **p53abn** endometrial carcinoma with myometrial invasion, with no residual disease
- ▶ Stage I–IVA **NSMP/MMRd** serous, undifferentiated carcinoma, carcinosarcoma with myometrial invasion, with no residual disease

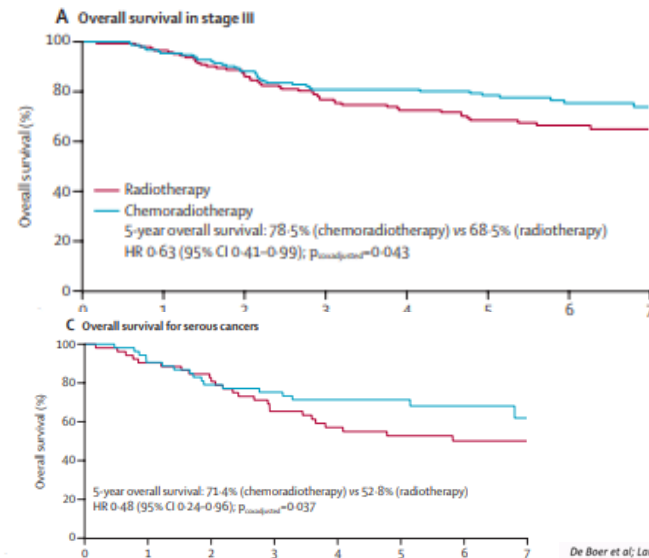
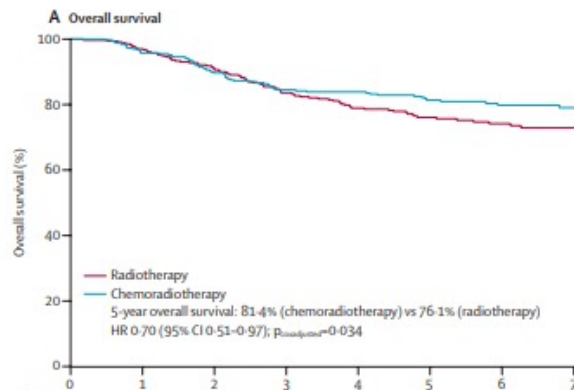
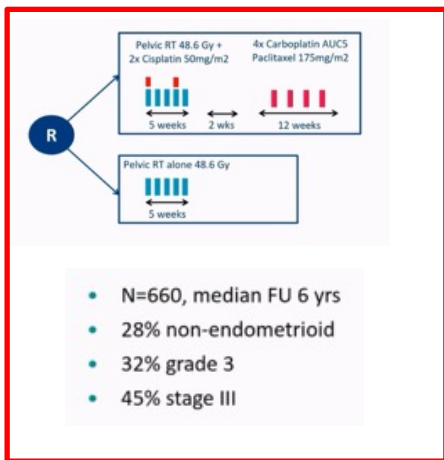


Recommendations

- EBRT with concurrent and adjuvant chemotherapy [I,A] or alternatively sequential chemotherapy and radiotherapy is recommended [I,B]
- Chemotherapy alone is an alternative option [I,B]
- **Carcinosarcomas** should be treated as high-risk carcinomas (not as sarcomas) [IV,B]
- When the molecular classification is known, p53abn carcinomas without myometrial invasion and POLEmut have specific recommendations

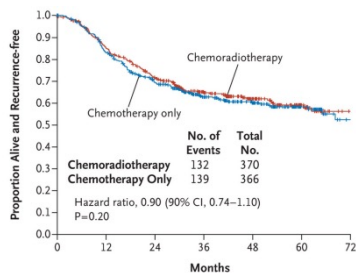
PORTEC 3 trial results 5ys

- Chemo + EBRT (2 cycles of cisplatin during EBRT followed by 4 cycles of carboplatin-paclitaxel) vs EBRT alone: improve in 5% OS benefit at 5y
- The greatest OS difference seen in stage III endometrioid ECs and in serous ECs



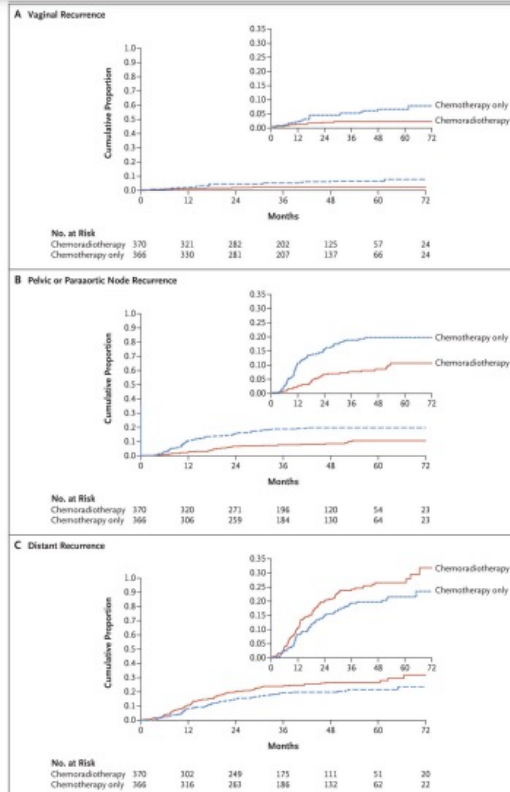
De Boer et al; Lancet Oncology 2019

GOG 258 trial



No. at Risk	0	12	24	36	48	60	72
Chemoradiotherapy	370	295	235	164	103	45	19
Chemotherapy only	366	293	230	159	113	55	17

At 60 months, the percentage of patients alive and relapse-free was 59% in the chemoradiotherapy group and 58% in the chemotherapy-only group (HR: 0.90)

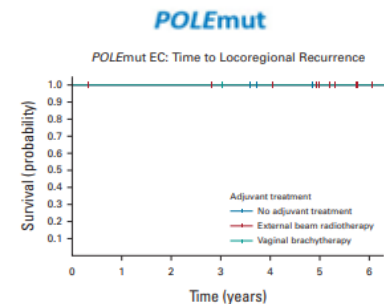


Chemoradiotherapy was associated with a **lower 5-year incidence of vaginal recurrence** (2% vs. 7%; HR: 0.36;)

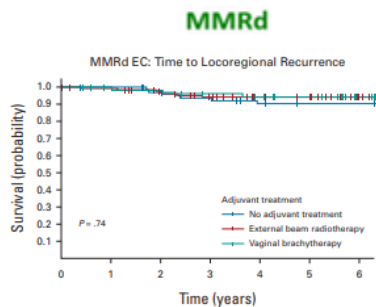
pelvic and paraortic lymph-node recurrence (11% vs. 20%; HR: 0.43;) than chemotherapy alone

Distant recurrence was more common in association with chemoradiotherapy (27% vs. 21%; HR:1.36)

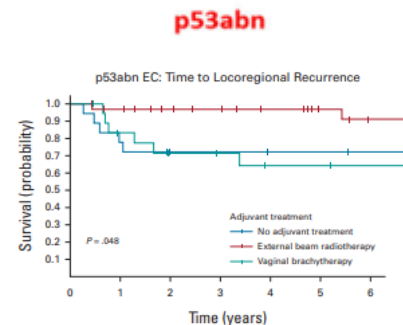
Molecular Classification Predicts Response to Radiotherapy in the Randomized PORTEC-1 and PORTEC-2 Trials for Early-Stage Endometrioid Endometrial Cancer



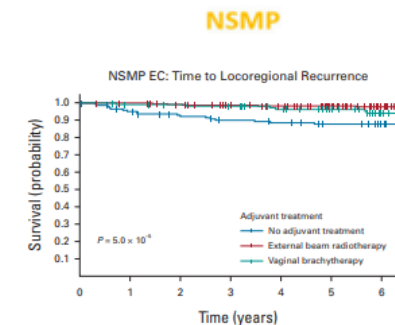
No. at risk:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
NAT	21	21	21	21	19	18	18
EBRT	35	34	34	33	33	30	25
VBT	10	10	10	10	8	8	8



No. at risk:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
NAT	66	66	61	58	54	52	52
EBRT	126	123	115	108	100	95	84
VBT	55	52	51	48	46	43	38



No. at risk:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
NAT	18	14	11	11	10	10	9
EBRT	33	30	26	24	21	16	13
VBT	19	14	11	10	8	8	7



No. at risk:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
NAT	144	134	127	121	118	113	109
EBRT	240	238	232	223	216	201	182
VBT	113	110	108	106	99	92	81

- **POLE mut:** Omitting radiotherapy is safe (at 5 ys, no locoregional recurrences)
- **MMRd:** EBRT and VBT make a small, non significant benefit compared with no adjuvant therapy (should be prospectively validated)
- **P53abn:** Locoregional recurrence-free survival was excellent after EBRT, but poor after VBT or no adjuvant therapy (seem to be particularly radiosensitive). EBRT is recommended
- **NSMP** stage I have significant benefit from adjuvant radiotherapy. VBT was as effective as EBRT and both yielded a significantly better locoregional control than no adjuvant therapy.

Horeweg et al, JCOVol.41, Issue 27, 2023



New 2023 FIGO Staging System for Endometrial Cancer

2023 FIGO stages based on surgical/anatomical and histological findings

Stage	Description
Stage I	Confined to the uterine corpus and ovary ²
IA	Disease limited to the endometrium OR non-aggressive histological type, i.e. low-grade endometrioid, with invasion of less than half of myometrium with no or focal lymphovascular space involvement (LVSI) OR good prognosis disease IA1 Non-aggressive histological type limited to an endometrial polyp OR confined to the endometrium IA2 Non-aggressive histological types involving less than half of the myometrium with no or focal LVSI IA3 Low-grade endometrioid carcinomas limited to the uterus and ovary ²
IB	Non-aggressive histological types with invasion of half or more of the myometrium, and with no or focal LVSI ⁴
IC	Aggressive histological types ⁴ limited to a polyp or confined to the endometrium
Stage II	Invasion of cervical stroma with extrauterine extension OR with substantial LVSI OR aggressive histological types with myometrial invasion
IIA	Invasion of the cervical stroma of non-aggressive histological types
IIIB	Substantial LVSI ⁴ of non-aggressive histological types
IIIC	Aggressive histological types ⁴ with any myometrial involvement
Stage III	Local and/or regional spread of the tumor of any histological subtype
IIIA	Invasion of uterine serosa, adnexa, or both by direct extension or metastasis IIIA1 Spread to ovary or fallopian tube (except when meeting stage IA3 criteria) ² IIIA2 Involvement of uterine subserosa or spread through the uterine serosa
IIIB	Metastasis or direct spread to the vagina and/or to the parametria or pelvic peritoneum IIIB1 Metastasis or direct spread to the vagina and/or the parametria IIIB2 Metastasis to the pelvic peritoneum
IIIC	Metastasis to the pelvic or para-aortic lymph nodes or both ² IIIC1 Metastasis to the pelvic lymph nodes IIIC1i Micrometastasis IIIC1ii Macrometastasis IIIC2 Metastasis to para-aortic lymph nodes up to the renal vessels, with or without metastasis to the pelvic lymph nodes IIIC2i Micrometastasis IIIC2ii Macrometastasis
Stage IV	Spread to the bladder mucosa and/or intestinal mucosa and/or distance metastasis
IVA	Invasion of the bladder mucosa and/or the intestinal/bowel mucosa
IVB	Abdominal peritoneal metastasis beyond the pelvis
IVC	Distant metastasis, including metastasis to any extra- or intra-abdominal lymph nodes above the renal vessels, lungs, liver, brain, or bone

Integration of molecular markers (when Known)

Stage designation	Molecular findings in patients with early endometrial cancer (Stages I and II after surgical staging)
Stage IA _m ^{POLEmut}	POLEmut endometrial carcinoma, confined to the uterine corpus or with cervical extension, regardless of the degree of LVSI or histological type
Stage II _{Cm} ^{p53abn}	p53abn endometrial carcinoma confined to the uterine corpus with any myometrial invasion, with or without cervical invasion, and regardless of the degree of LVSI or histological type

Abbreviation: LVSI, lymphovascular space involvement.

*When feasible, the addition of molecular subtype to the staging criteria allows a better prediction of prognosis in a staging/prognosis scheme. The performance of complete molecular classification (POLEmut, MMRd, NSMP, p53abn) is encouraged in all cases of endometrial cancer for prognostic risk-group stratification and as potential influencing factors of adjuvant or systemic treatment decisions. Molecular subtype assignment can be done on a biopsy, in which case it need not be repeated on the hysterectomy specimen. When performed, these molecular classifications should be recorded in all stages.

- Good prognosis: pathogenic POLE mutation (POLEmut)
- Intermediate prognosis: mismatch repair deficiency (MMRd)/microsatellite instability and no specific molecular profile (NSMP)
- Poor prognosis: p53 abnormal (p53abn) When the molecular classification is known:
- FIGO Stages I and II are based on surgical/anatomical and histological findings. In case the molecular classification reveals POLEmut or p53abn status, the FIGO stage is modified in the early stage of the disease. This is depicted in the FIGO stage by the addition of "m" for molecular classification, and a subscript is added to denote POLEmut or p53abn status, as shown below. MMRd or NSMP status do not modify early FIGO stages; however, these molecular classifications should be recorded for the purpose of data collection. When molecular classification reveals MMRd or NSMP, it should be recorded as Stage IA_m^{MMRd} or Stage IA_m^{NSMP} and Stage IIB_m^{MMRd} or Stage IIB_m^{NSMP}
- FIGO Stages III and IV are based on surgical/anatomical findings. The stage category is not modified by molecular classification; however, the molecular classification should be recorded if known. When the molecular classification is known, it should be recorded as Stage III_m or Stage IV_m with the appropriate subscript for the purpose of data collection. For example, when molecular classification reveals p53abn, it should be recorded as Stage III_m^{p53abn} or Stage IV_m^{p53abn}

Berek J S et al. Int J Gynecol Obstet. 2023;162:383–394.

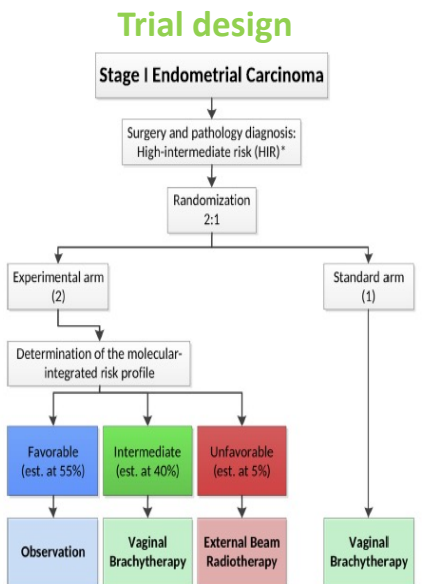
KEY CHANGES

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- Incorporation of **histological subtype** (**Non-aggressive histological types**: low grade EC vs **Aggressive histological types**: high grade EC and aggressive histological types as serous, clear cell, undifferentiated, mixed, mesonephric-like, gastrointestinal mucinous type carcinomas, and carcinosarcomas)
- Incorporation of degree of **LVI** : “*LVSI negative*” (0 vessels); “*LVSI focal*” (<5 vessels); or “*LVSI substantial/extensive*” (≥5 vessels)
- Incorporation of **molecular profile** into the staging
- Distinction between synchronous and metastatic cancer (In the case of high grade tumors, ovarian involvement is almost always categorized as metastatic)
- Adaptation of anatomical spread in regards to the stage (*adnexal vs (sub)serosa, cervix, pelvic vs extrapelvic peritoneum*)
- More detailed description of LN involvement- impact on SLN classification (**micro vs macrometastasis**)

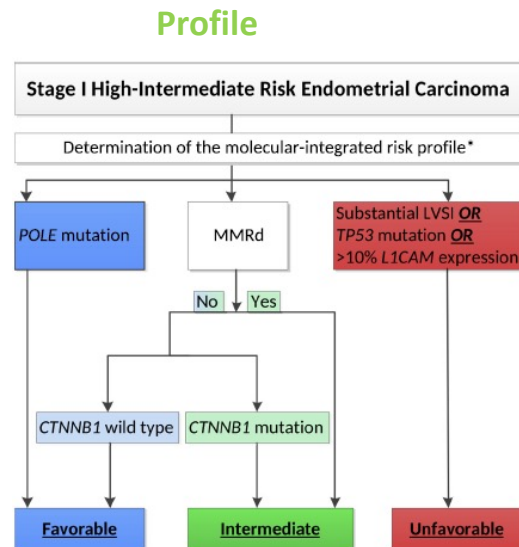
PORTEC 4a

The first randomised trial using the molecular risk factors **to assign adjuvant treatment** for women with stage I-II high-intermediate risk endometrial cancer



*High-intermediate risk (HIR) endometrial cancer: stage IA (with invasion) and grade 3; stage IB, grade 1 or 2; with either age ≥ 60 or substantial lymph-vascular space invasion (LVI); stage IB, grade 3 without LVI; or stage II (microscopic) with grade 1. Est = estimated.

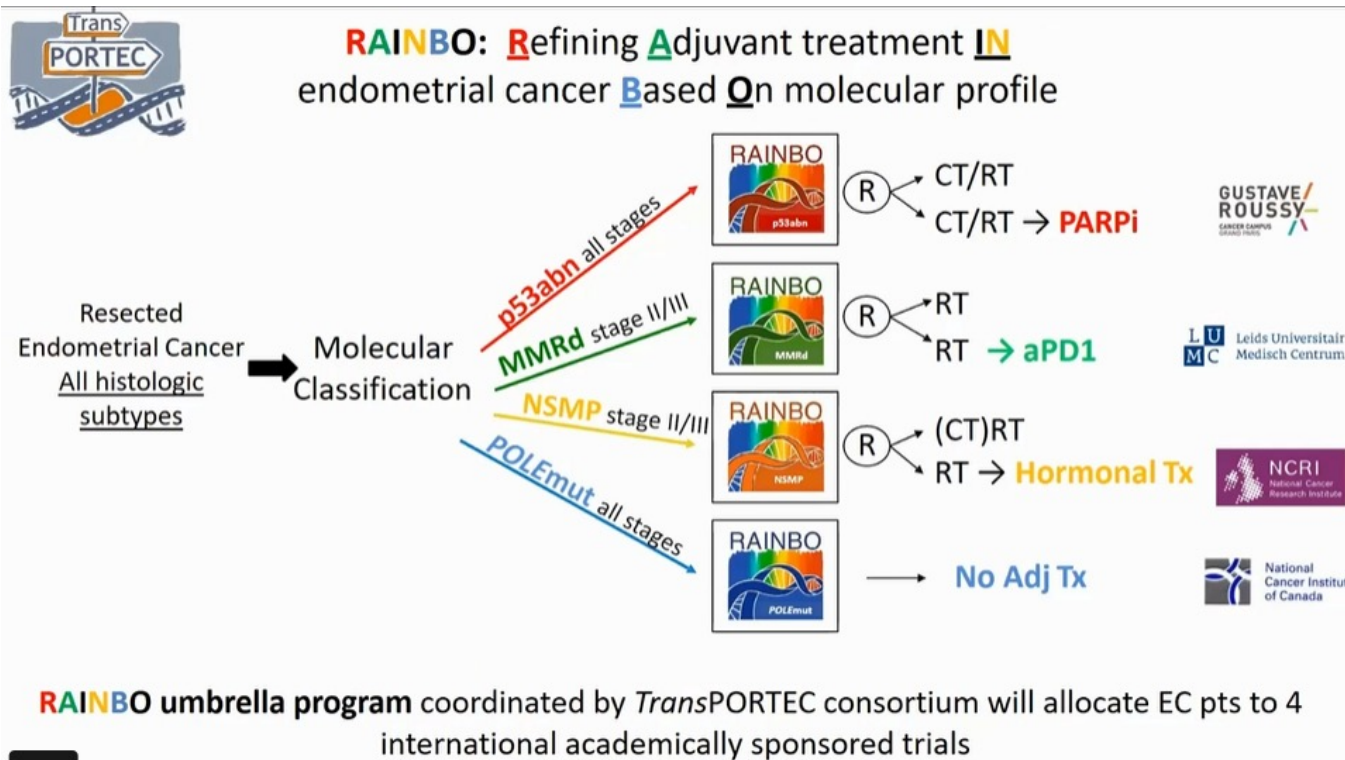
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*Patients with multiple characteristics (double classifiers) were designated intermediate risk. MMRd = Mismatch repair-deficiency. For details, see text.

Wortman et al, Gyn Oncol 2018

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Take Home Messages

- Endometrial cancers is represented by at least **4 different tumors** with different prognosis requiring different treatments
- **POLEmut EC**, which is associated with an excellent prognosis and should lead to consideration of **de-escalation** of adjuvant therapy
- **p53abn EC**, which reclassifies these women to the high-risk group. VBT alone is not sufficient for locoregional and distant disease control and chemotherapy and **EBRT** should be considered
- Novel treatment strategies and trials are biomarker-based and biomarker-driven, will be needed



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