









ANAL SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA: IMPACT OF RADIOCHEMOTHERAPY EVOLUTION OVER YEARS AND AN EXPLORATIVE ANALYSIS OF MRI PREDICTION OF TUMOR RESPONSE IN A MONO-INSTITUTIONAL SERIES OF 131 PATIENTS.

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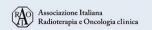
PATIENTS AND METHODS

- Local relapse remains the main patter of failure; randomized trials selected patients with poor response at the end of treatment, however, ASCC is a slowing responsive tumor
- Dose escalation studies select pts with more advanced stage for personalized medicine
- HYPOTHESIS: identification of MRI signature related to a radioresistant phenotype "ab inizio"

EXPLORATORY ENDPOINT: MRI PREDICTORS OF TUMOR RESPONSE

METHODS

- T2 pre-treatment MRI sequences were collected (31/131 pts available)
- GTV (primary tumor) was re-contoured, images resampled
- Radiomic features of GTV were extracted with the goal of fitting radiomic features to local recurrence.
- Feature extraction and data analysis: PythonTM









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METHODS

- 159 VARIABLES (IBSI) -> SMALL DATASET application of Principal Components Analysis (PCA)
- Support Vector Machine (SVM) -> ROC curve (best fitting results)

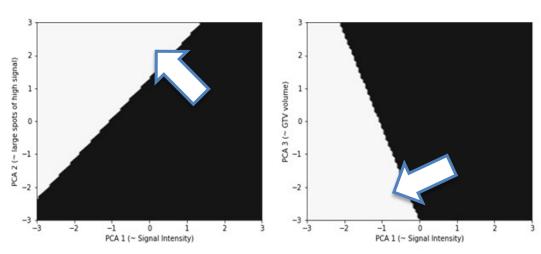


Figure 1. The relapses are on the left side of both panes. The risk of relapse depends on a combination of the three parameters since the cut-off between relapse and non-relapse is never a horizontal or vertical line

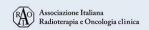
RESULTS

131 pts, 31 pts included in the exploratory analysis Three variables identified related to the risk of relapse:

- SIGNAL INTENSITY
- Gray Level Size Zone Matrix's Large Area High Grey Level Emphasis (GLSZM's LAHGLE)
- GTV

HIGHER RELAPSE IN:

- LOW SIGNAL INTENSITY TARGETS (hypoxic tumors?)
- HIGHER GLSZM'S LAHGLE TARGETS (signal etherogeneity)
- SMALL GTV









CONCLUSIONS

- LOW SIGNAL INTENSITY (SI), HIGH GRAY LEVEL SIZE ZONE MATRIX'S LARGE AREA HIGH GREY LEVEL EMPHASIS (GLSZM'S LAHGLE), AND SMALL GTV (VOLUME IN CC) ARE RELATED WITH HIGHER RISK OF RELAPSE
- A COMBINATION OF THE THREE PRE-TREATMENT MRI PARAMETERS COULD
 BE INTEGRATED IN RISK STRATIFICATION
 - IDENTIFY CANDIDATES FOR RT DOSE-ESCALATION TO BE ENROLLED IN PERSONALIZED MEDICINE CLINICAL TRIALS.





