

3rd INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON INTERIM- PET IN LYMPHOMA

Abstract Discussion in NHL - technical

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**Are we one step closer to our mission of
Right Therapy, Right Dose, Right Patient?**

pressing PET issues in NHL

tumor related

- FPs (inflammation)
- FNs (residual microscopic tumor)
- dependence on timing of imaging
- dependence of therapy regimens

PET evaluation method

- Qualitative
- Quantitative
 - SUVmax/reference ratio
 - Δ SUVmax
 - Δ MTV
 - Δ TLG

issues addressed

- Evaluation of midtherapy PET using quantitative and qualitative PET parameters
 - Deauville criteria
 - Absolute SUVmax
 - Δ SUVmax
 - Δ MTV
 - Δ TLG
- Evaluation of mid therapy PET using combination of above parameters
- Inter and intra subject variability of reference organ uptake values (liver and MBP) among various PET scans
- Whole body MRI feasibility in lymphoma (C category)

Metabolic tumor volume (MTV): the volume of tm tissue demonstrating increased FDG uptake, is a novel measure to test as an independent adverse prognostic factor

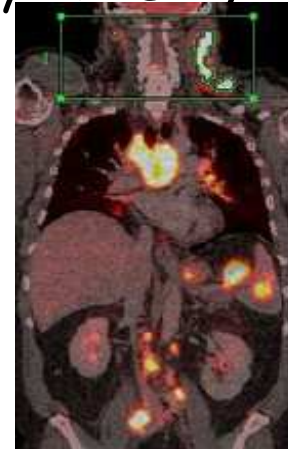
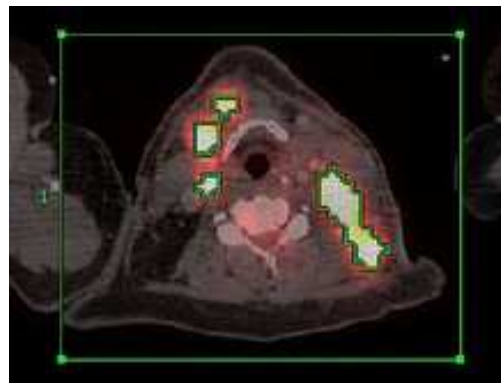
Graves EE et al, *Technol Cancer Res Treat* 2007; 6:111

Lee P et al, *Clin Lung Cancer*, 2011

Huang W, et al. *Eur J Nucl Med Mol Imaging*, 2011: 38:1628

MTV measurement method

Each tm is segmented automatically in 3D by the software



- the voxel of max intensity along the selected projection line is used as the starting point
- the algorithm finds the voxel of local max intensity within a specified radius (default value of 1 cm) of the starting voxel
- Once all of the hypermetabolic tm foci are segmented, the software calculates the MTV, defined as the total volume in mL

Δ TLG

Total lesion glycolysis integrates noninvasively measured tm volume and glycolytic activity (unit measurement = gms)

TLG obtained by multiplying the MTV by SUV_{mean}

The global TLG of each patient is defined as the sum of TLGs of all focal lesions selected

Summary of abstracts

B 106 CHANGES IN LIVER AND MEDIASTINUM DURING CHEMOTHERAPY IN DLBCL: IMPACT ON THE EVALUATION OF INTERIM PET-CT . L Ceriani, S Suriano, T Ruberto, E Zucca, L Giovanella - Onc. Inst. S Switzerland (IOSI) - Bellinzona, CH

To assess inter- and intra-subject variability of MBP and liver (L) SUVs

N=50, retrospective, PET/CT: baseline, mid cycle (2x rCHOP; 6x rMACOP-B or rVACOP-B)

27 pts R-CHOP and 23 R-MACOP-B/R-VACOP-B treatment.

Results:

inter-subjects variability (SD/mean x100) MBP and L SUVs high, ranged from 20 to 26%

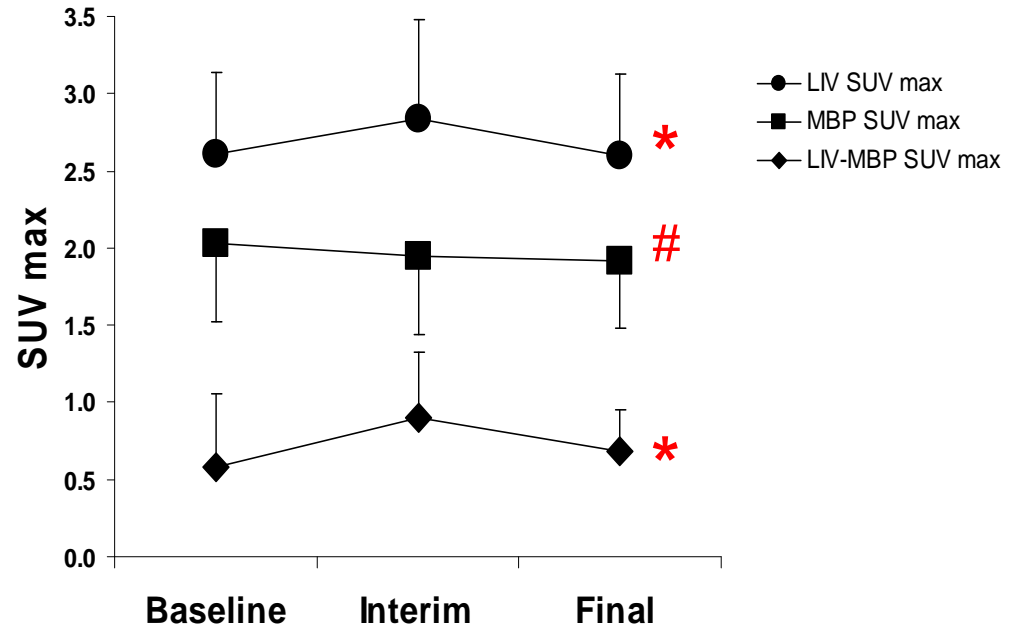
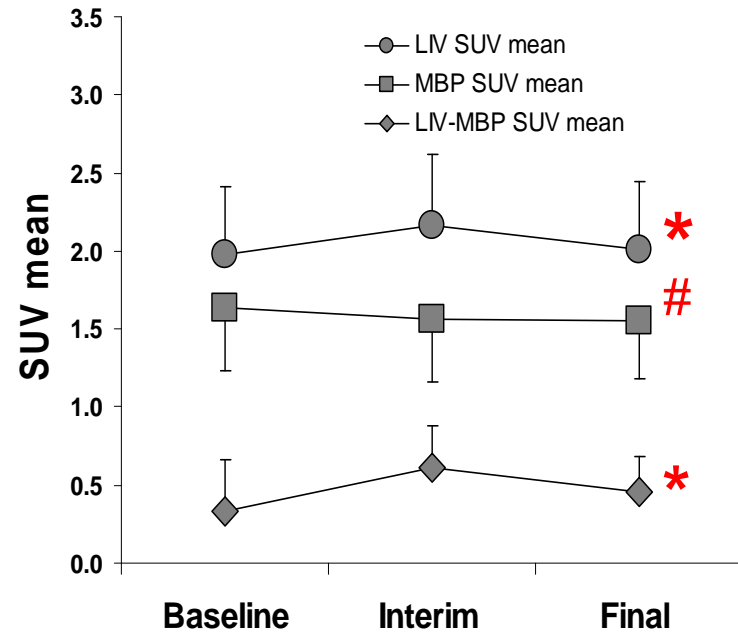
intra-subject variability

- L SUVs increased at interim and decreased at end of therapy
- MBP SUVs stable throughout therapy

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18FDG UPTAKE CHANGES IN LIVER AND MEDIASTINUM DURING CHEMOTHERAPY IN DLBCL: IMPACT ON THE EVALUATION OF INTERIM PET-CT



Legends - * $p < 0.001$; # $p = ns$

Conclusions

- L and MBP SUVs may not be reliable references for the evaluation of early response to R-based regimens
- caution for L intra-subject variability during chemorx in risk-adapted therapeutic strategies

B 101 - INITIAL TLG AND SUVTOTAL CAN PREDICT THE OUTCOME OF DLBCL. LS Park, SJ Kim, JY Choi, SH Moon, WS Kim, Dept of Med. & Nuc Med, Samsung Med. Ctr, Sungkyunkwan Univ Sch. Med

to investigate the most appropriate PET parameter for prediction of disease progression in pts with all IPI scores vs IPI 1-3.

N=120, retrospective, PET/CT: baseline, mid cycle (2-3; med, 3 cycles)

SUVtotal, SUVmax, and TLG for initial and Δ SUVtotal, Δ SUVmax, and Δ TLG as interim PET parameters

Results:

- IPI predicted PFS in all pts with DLBCL ($p < 0.01$)
- Initial SUVtotal and TLG predicted PFS in all ($p < 0.01$ and $p = 0.03$) and in pts with an IPI scores of 1-3
- No significant diff. in PFS btw pts with high and low initial SUVmax
- Δ SUVtotal ($p = 0.9$), Δ SUVmax (89%; $p = 0.24$), and Δ TLG (98%; $p = 0.8$) no difference in PFS in IPI 0-5
- Δ SUVtotal ($p = 0.05$), Δ SUVmax (89%; $p = 0.06$), and Δ TLG (98%; $p = 0.02$) in pts with PFS in IPI 1-3

Conclusions: initial PET/CT parameters, Δ SUVtotal and Δ TLG in pts with IPI 1-3, seem to better predict PFS

B 103 THE ROLE OF SUVMAX REDUCTION IN THE PROGNOSIS OF DLBCL BASED ON INTERIM 18FDG PET/CT. S. Barna, F. Magyari, ZS. Miltényi, L. Váróczy, L. Gergely, ZS Simon, J. Varga, Á. Illés, I. Garai, Scanomed Ltd, Int. Med. Dept, Univ. Debrecen, Hungary

to assess the value of Δ SUVmax in prediction of PFS, EFS, OS

N=50, retrospective, PET/CT baseline, 2-4-cycle, rCHOP, mean fu 581 dys

baseline SUVmax, Δ SUVmax,

Results:

- **the relative change of SUVmax (p=0.022)** only single significant factor identified as a predictor of outcome variable defined as RFS
- K-M analysis showed a significantly different RFS in subgroups of pts with relative SUVmax Δ in each quartile (p=0.033)
- The most relevant difference was found btwn the subgroups with Δ SUVmax below and over **80%**
- Since 27/50 pts did not reach any of the states considered as non-successful outcome this value should be refined based on a longer fu

B 109 QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS OF METABOLIC RESPONSE AT INTERIM PET-SCAN IS HIGHLY PREDICTIVE OF OUTCOME IN DLBCL N Nols, N Mounier, S Bouazza, R Lhommel, T Vanderborgh, A Sonet, M André, A Bosly, E Van Den Neste. UCL, Belgique; Nice, France

to assess whether interim metabolic response using qualitative and quantitative criteria had prognostic value in DLBCL.

N=74, retrospective, IPI: 50% L-L-I, PET/CT 3-4 cycle rCHOP, 2-year survival

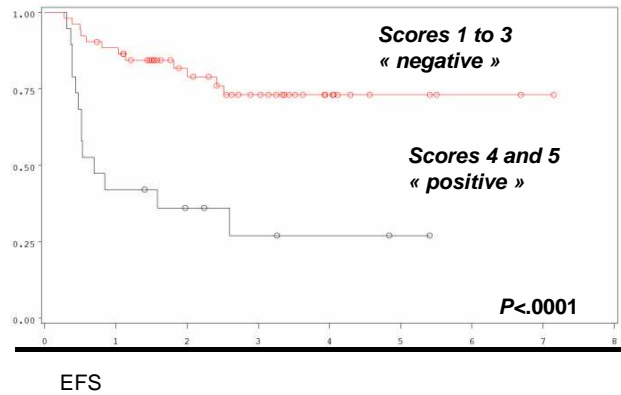
Δ SUVmax (quantitative) and Deauville's criteria (DS)

Results

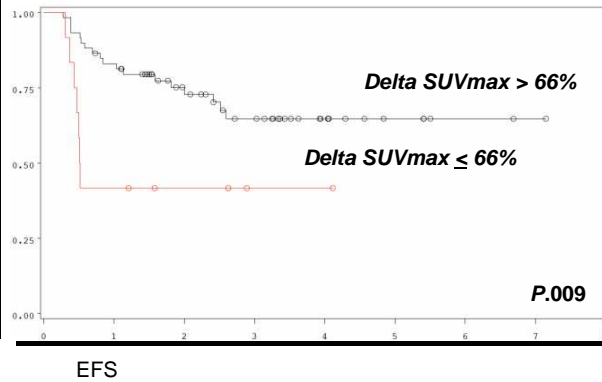
- DS at int PET and Δ SUVmax independently predicted
 - EFS (HR 4.3, P .001; HR 4.3, P.003, respectively),
 - PFS (HR 3.2, P.01; HR 3.5, P .02), and
 - OS (HR 3.6, P.01; HR 4.2, P.01, respectively)
- poor outcome: +ve int PET (DS4-5) & a Δ SUVmax < 66% (OS: 20%)
- good outcome: aaIPI 0-1, & -ve int PET (DS1-3) or Δ SUVmax criteria, (EFS: 85%, PFS: 88%, OS: 94%)

RESULTS

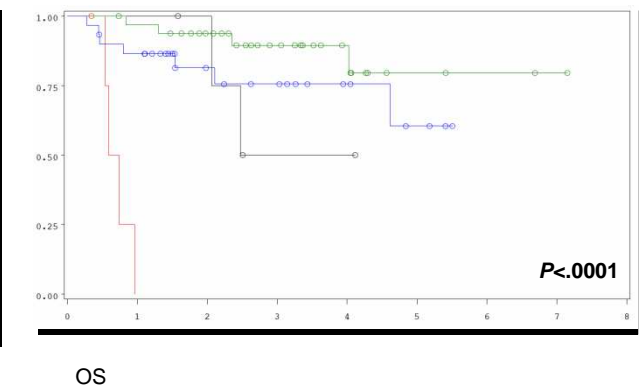
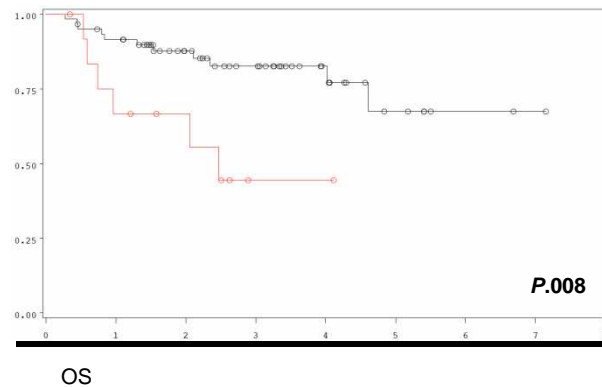
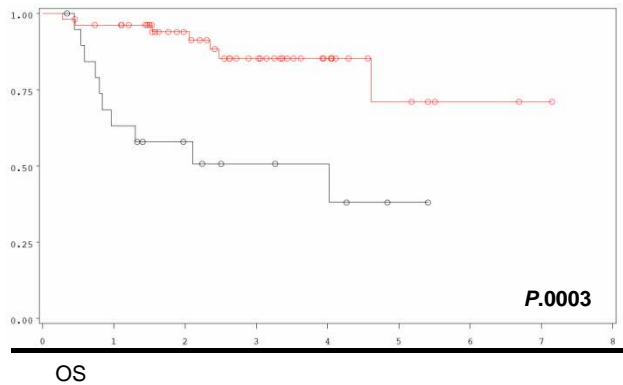
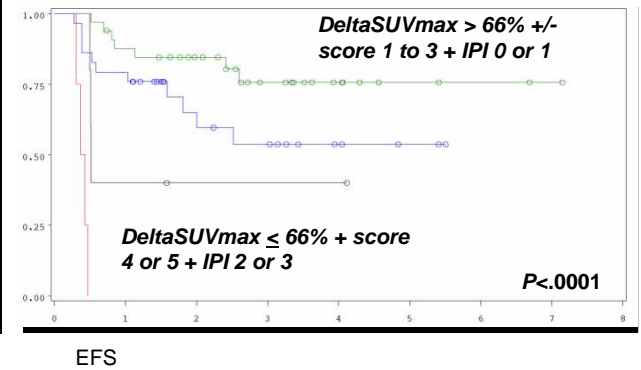
Qualitative analysis



Quantitative analysis



Association of the two analysis



Conclusions: In this retrospective study, quantitative or qualitative analysis of metabolic response at mid-treatment was highly and independently predictive of any outcome (EFS, PFS, OS).

B 110 CLINICAL USEFULNESS AND PROGNOSTIC SIGNIFICANCE OF INTERIM 18F-FDG PET/CT FOR THE TREATMENT OF PERIPHERAL T CELL LYMPHOMAS (PTCL)

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to determine whether interim PET/CT provides additional prognostic information for the treatment of PTCL

N=59, prospective, PET/CT baseline, interim, rCHOP, 59% adv stage
24% BM inv., med fu 12.9 mo

Combined Δ SUVmax, Δ MTV2.5 (quantitative) and Deauville scoring

Results: 52 pts assessed based on DS

- int PET+, a significant prognostic factor, HR: 3.2
- 2-yr PFS different btwn PET+ (28%) and PET- (57%) pts (P=0.004)
- Δ SUVmax predicted outcome
- Δ MTV2.5 failed to differentiate the pts for predicting the progression

Conclusions: Response assessment using DS, Δ SUV and Δ MTV may have a differential potential for predicting the prognosis in PTCL.

B 113 COMPARISON OF QUANTITATIVE & QUALITATIVE RESPONSE CRITERIA IN THE UK-NCRI PET STUDY IN DLBCL- AN INTERIM ANALYSIS. NG Mikhaeel, MJ. O'Doherty, S Barrington: Clin Onc, PET Imaging Ctr, Guy's & St Thomas' Hosp, London, UK

to compare 3 sets of criteria in a cohort of pts who underwent FDG-PET after 2 cycles of RCHOP as part of an ongoing UK-NCRI study.

N=125, prospective, PET/CT baseline, 2 cycle. rCHOP,

original study criteria (SS), Deauville criteria (DS) & Δ SUV compared; also compared 2 definitions of DS 5; 2x&3x liver activity

Results

- 54 excellent response who had SS 1 (no uptake), 2a (MRU) & corresponding DS 1, 2 were classified as responders with Δ SUV >66%
- Only 3 pts had SS 2c (stable) who were classified as DS 4 and DS 5.
- No patients had SS 2d (progression).
- 69 patients had SS 2b (partial response) and were distributed in DS 2-5, with the majority being DS 3 (25) and 4 (32).

4/5 cut-off

Deauville Score (DS)		
Score	No of Patients (Score 5= 3x liver)	Score 5= 2x liver
1	28	
2	25	
3	28	
4	36	29
5	8	15
TOTAL	125	

Does 4 include some good prognosis patients?

Deauville Score		SUV reduction	
Score	No of Patients	>66%	≤ 66%
1	28	28	0
2	25	25	0
3	28	25	3 **
4	36	32	4
5	8	1	7
	125	111	14

Conclusions:

- Good concordance between the 3 criteria in pts with excellent response (DS 1+2) & poor response (DS 5).
- Pts with PR are classified differently by different criteria & most of DS 3+4 classify as responders by Δ SUV
- DS 5 defined as 2x changes 7 pts from DS 4 to 5.
- Outcome data is awaited to define the best criteria.

C 102 WHOLE-BODY MR DIFFUSION IN PATIENTS WITH LARGE B-CELL LYMPHOMA: A PRELIMINARY ADC MAPPING STUDY AT 3T. A Rahmouni, S Toledano, C Lin, E Itti, C Haioun, A Luciani. Dept. Med Imaging, Nuc Med & Hematology, CHU, Henri Mondor, France

to evaluate the feasibility of whole-body MR diffusion imaging in patients with DLBCL before and after 4 cycles of chemotherapy

Methods: Axial single-shot echo-planar images were acquired at $b = 50, 400, 800$ s/mm² with chemical fat suppression and respiratory gating. MRI technique surface phased-array coils, 24 5mm-thickness images per station. ADC mapping. Image quality, total acquisition time, ADC values of nodal lesions measured before and after 4 cycles of chemo.

Results:

- Image quality 3.4 (1 to 4 scale)
 - Mean total time of acquisition 19 min.
 - Mean ADC was $0.79 \times 10^{-3} \text{mm}^2/\text{s}$ (SD: 0.24) before treatment and - increased to $1.30 \times 10^{-3} \text{mm}^2/\text{s}$ (SD: 0.79) after treatment.
- 7 pts had no FDG post therapy uptake with increased ADC value
1 had a persistent FDG uptake with a restricted ADC ($0.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{mm}^2/\text{s}$)

Whole-body MR diffusion imaging is feasible at 3T with a decreased time of acquisition

B 108 FDG-PET IN AGGRESSIVE NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (NHL): Δ SUV VS. LYMPHOMA-TO-REFERENCE TISSUE RATIOS IN THE GERMAN MULTICENTRIC PETAL STUDY. SP. Müller, HV. Ngo, U Dührsen, A Bockisch, A Hüttmann. Nuc Med, Hematology, Universitätsklinikum, Essen, Germany

to evaluate whether interim PET alone may provide similar classification of non-responders using ratios of SUV in lymphoma to reference tissues employed for comparison in visual scales

N=145, prospective, PET/CT baseline, 2 cycles. rCHOP,

Δ SUVmax vs. ratios of interim SUVmax in lymphoma to max and mean SUVs in spherical reference ROIs with 2 cm \emptyset in MBP, liver, and spleen

Results: The classification based on lymphoma/reference organ ratios yielded areas under the ROC curves of 0.82 - 0.84 (no signif. difference). At 10% false-positives the sensitivities, i.e. the agreement with the PETAL classification, was between 48 and 59%.

Conclusions: Only every other pt in the randomized intensified treatment arms of the PETAL study population would be identified if the treatment stratification were based on lymphoma/reference tissue ratios instead of Δ SUV. Therefore the criteria for classifying NHL patients by interim FDG-PET may not be exchange-able because of the prognostic implications inherent in the different populations.

B 105 INTERIM FDG PET SUVMAX REDUCTION IS SUPERIOR TO VISUAL ANALYSIS BASED ON DEAUVILLE CRITERIA TO PREDICT EARLY PATIENT'S OUTCOME IN DLBCL. RO Casasnovas, M Meignan, A Berriolo-Riedinger, S Bardet, A Julian, C Thieblemont, P Vera, S Bologna, JP Jais, C Haioun, B Coiffier, F Morschhauser on behalf of the GELA, *CHU Dijon, France.

to evaluate the impact of interim PET interpretation according to 5PS and Δ SUVmax on pt outcome in LNH2007-3B GELA trial

N=84, prospective, PET/CT baseline, 2 cycles, 4 cycles R-ACVBP or R-CHOP14

Δ SUVmaxPET0-2) or PET4 (Δ SUVmaxPET0-4).
PET result considered positive if >liver uptake.

Pts with Δ UVmaxPET0-2>66% and Δ SUVmaxPET0-4>70% considered as good responders after 2 and 4 cycles respectively

Using 5PS criteria, respectively 46% and 65% of pts achieved a negative PET2 and PET4. 36 of 48 PET2+ pts had a Δ SUVmaxPET0-2>66% and 22 of 30 PET4+ pts reached a Δ SUVmaxPET0-4>70%

PET2 and PET4 results assessed by the 5PS criteria had no influence on

B 100 INTERIM PET/CT-BASED PROGNOSTIC MODEL FOR THE TREATMENT OF DIFFUSE LARGE B CELL LYMPHOMA IN POST-RITUXIMAB ERA D-H Yang, BB Hyun, J-J Min, J-S Ahn, Y-K Kim, H-S Bom, I-J Chung, H-J Kim, WS Kim and J-J Lee

to evaluate the prognostic accuracy of interim PET/CT using 3 different methods for response assessment during R-CHOP chemotherapy in DLBCL patients

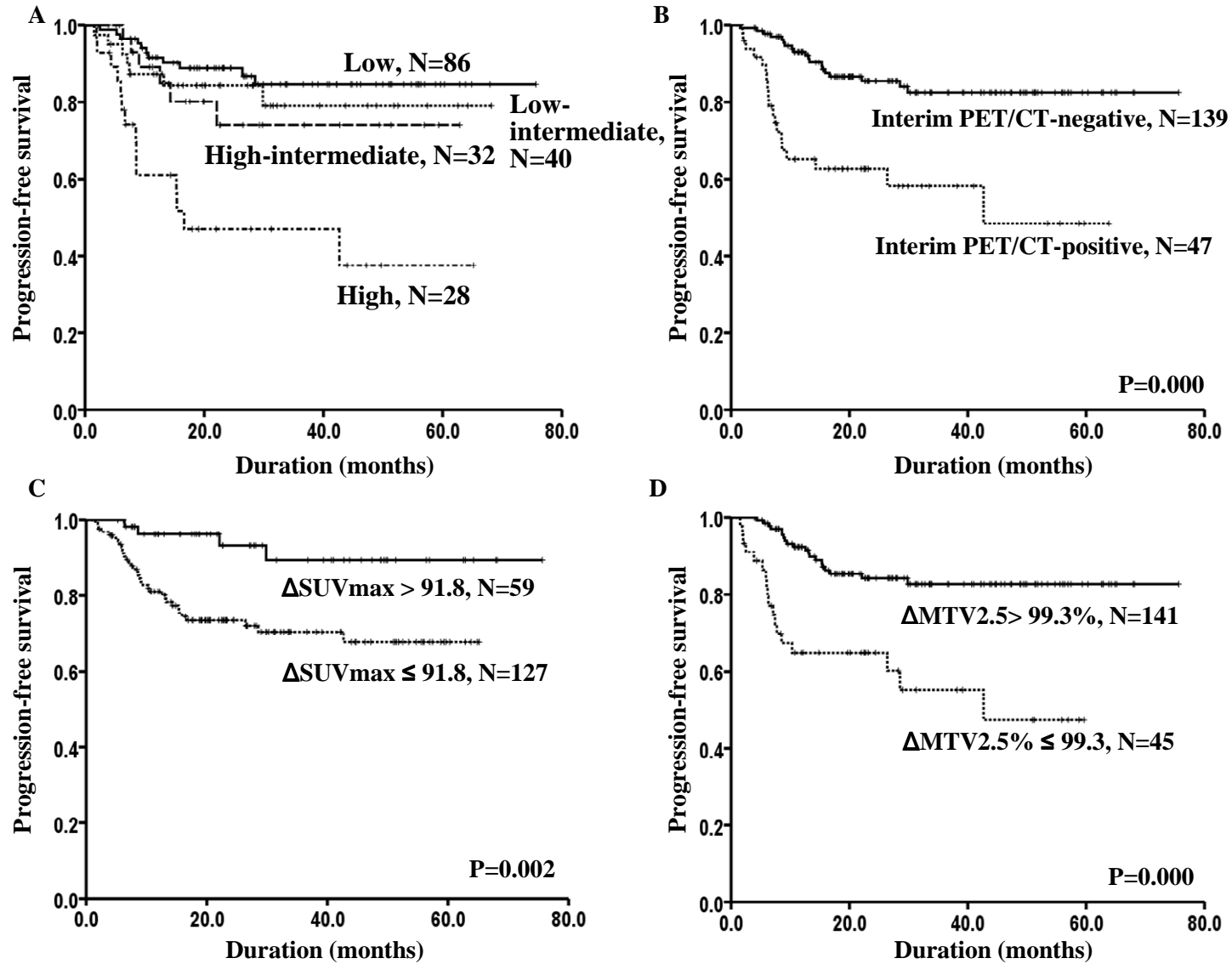
N=186, retrospective, PET/CT baseline, 3-4 cycles and at end of rCHOP, med fu 22.8 mo

combination of 3 parameters: Deauville criteria, Δ SUVmax, Δ MTV2.5

Results: both the positivity in Deauville 5-PS and the optimal cutoff value of Δ SUVmax could predict the prognostic difference in patients with DLBCL after R-CHOP chemotherapy. The response of interim PET/CT based on 5-PS, Δ SUVmax, and Δ MTV2.5 showed a significant potential as a prognostic value in PFS, respectively. Furthermore, when divided the patients into four groups according to the sum of score for three adverse factors; consisted of grade 4-5 by Deauville 5-PS, Δ SUVmax \leq 91.8% and Δ MTV2.5 \leq 99.3%,

Conclusion: The combined evaluation with three parameters using

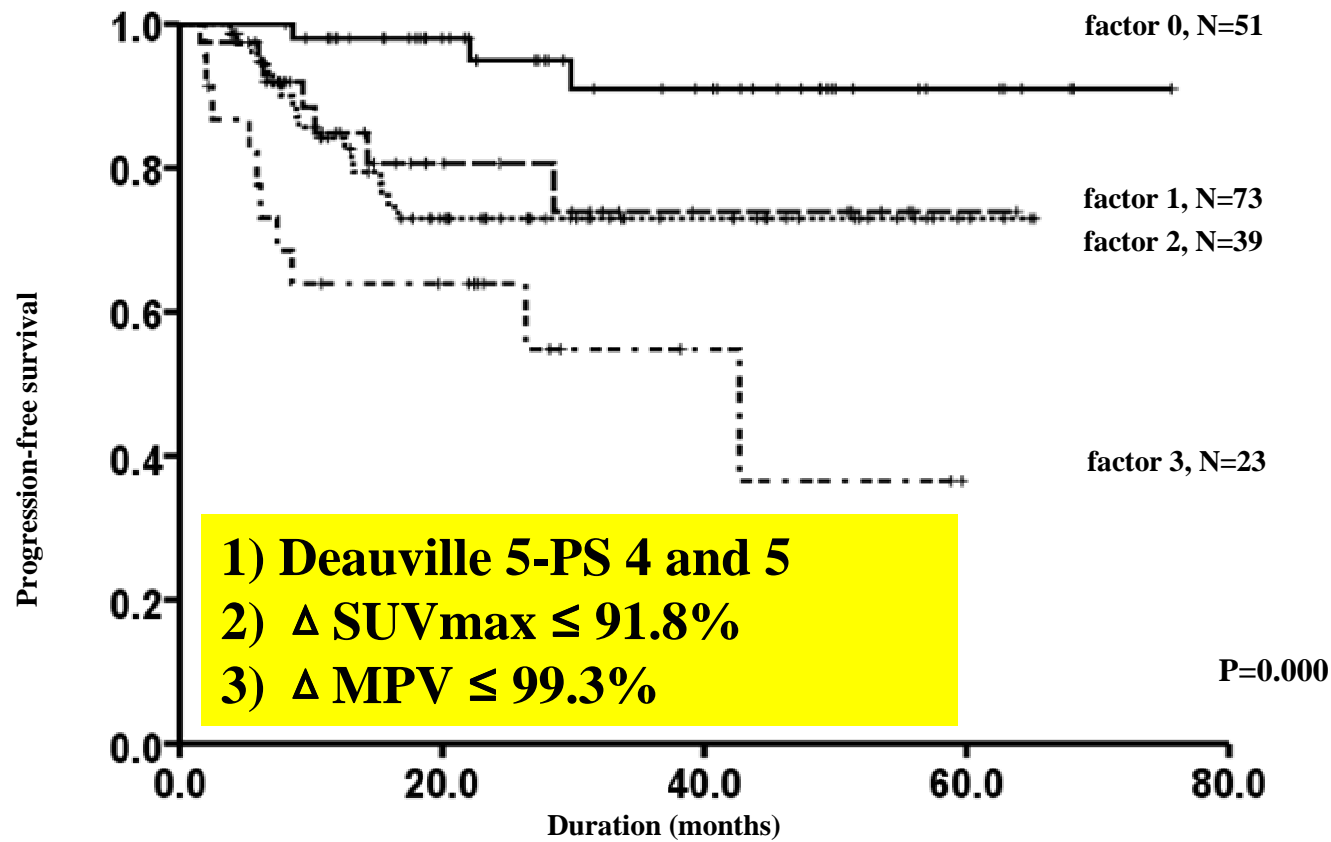
Results (II)



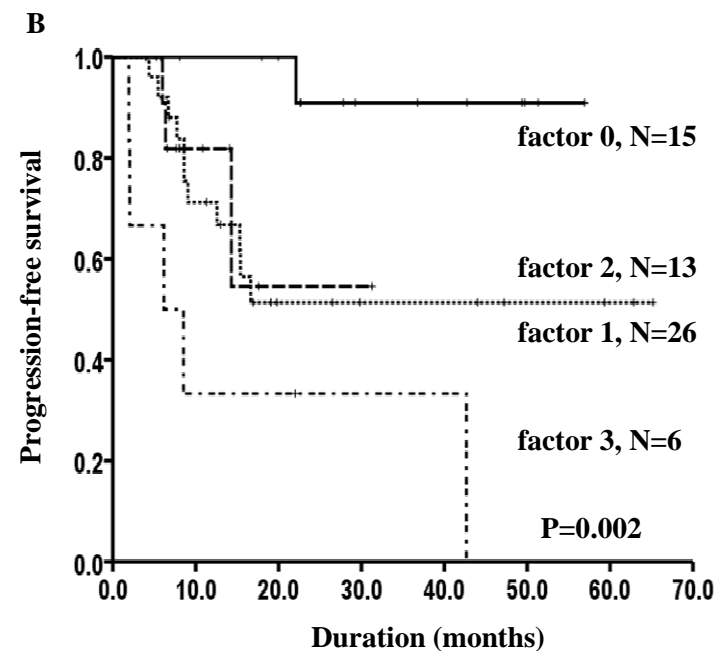
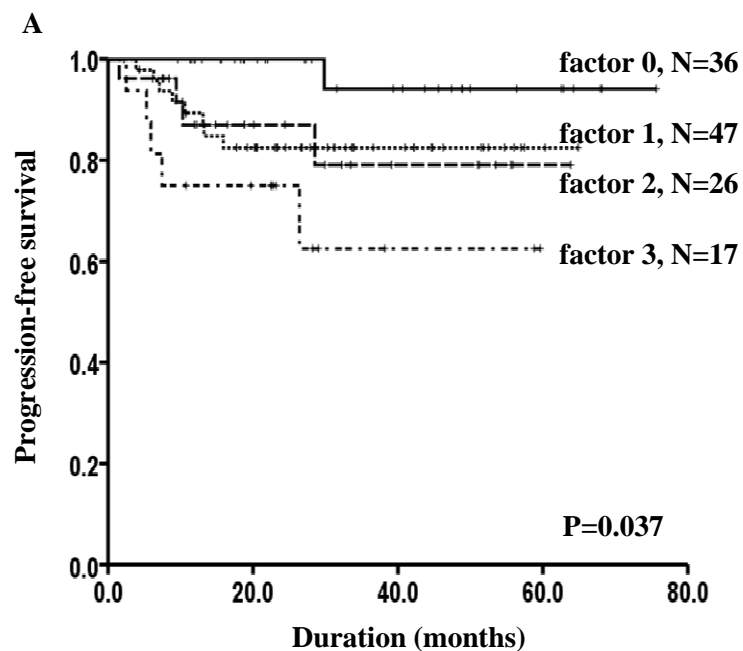
Kaplan-Meier estimates of PFS in (A) all patients with DLBCL according to IPI risk and classified according to (B) positivity by the Deauville five-point scale, (C) the ΔSUVmax with the optimal cutoff value of 91.8% and (D) the $\Delta\text{MTV2.5}$ with the optimal cutoff value of 99.3% in interim PET/CT.

Results (III)

Prognostic model based on interim PET/CT



Results (IV)



Kaplan-Meier estimates of PFS by IPI, according to the combined evaluation of visual, SUV-based and MTV-based assessment in the low/low-intermediate IPI risk group (N=126) (A) and in the high/high-intermediate IPI risk group (N=60) (B).

Summary

- **Positivity on the Deauville 5-PS, the optimal cutoff value of ΔSUVmax or the optimal cutoff value of $\Delta\text{MTV2.5}$ could each predict disease progression.**
- **When combining these three parameters from PET/CT, the model can have strong predictive power for prognosis.**

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