

4th INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON PET IN LYMPHOMA



Poster Discussion Session: Interim PET in Lymphoma

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Interim PET in Lymphoma

Patient Care



Clinical trials

Methodology



Accuracy

Reproducibility

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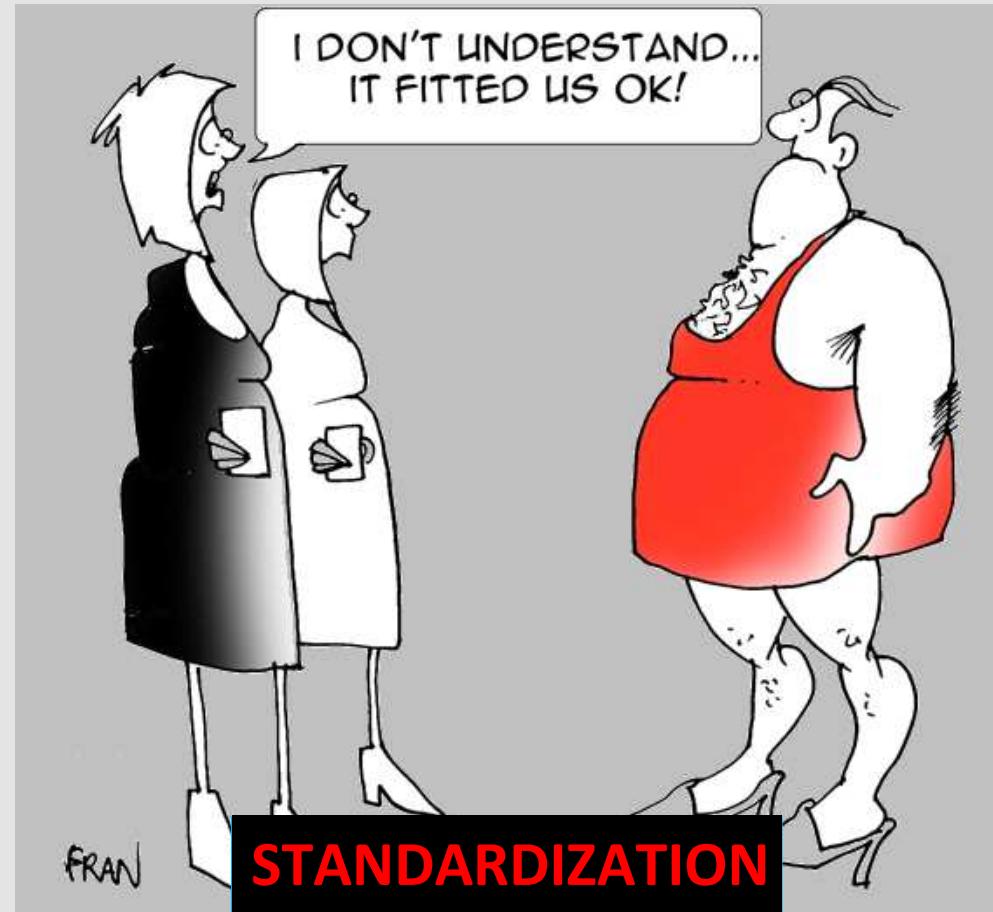
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Cost-effectiveness



Key messages on FDG uptake

- Highly sensitive for measuring tumor load, but limited specificity
- Dynamic process
- Difficult to quantify
 - ⇒ Standardization for
 - Preparation
 - Acquisition
 - Reading



Common reading system

- Visual scale: 5-PS or “Deauville criteria”*
 1. No uptake
 2. Uptake \leq mediastinum
 3. Uptake $>$ mediastinum but \leq liver
 4. Uptake moderately $>$ liver uptake, at any site
 5. ++ increased uptake at any site and new sites
- Web-based centralized reading systems



A3. FDG-PET AS A BIOMARKER IN RESPONSE ASSESSMENT IN ABVD TREATED HODGKIN LYMPHOMA PATIENTS

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- 260 advanced-stage HL/520 PET from 17 centers
- iPET : Deauville 5-point scale (1-3 negative/4-5 positive)
- Adherence to EANM guidelines for uptake time ($60\pm10\text{min}$) in 38% (n=100)

| iPET | $82\pm35\text{min}$ (45-128min) | $60\pm10\text{min}$ | |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Specificity | 0.94 | 0.99 | |
| PPV | 0.73 | 0.91 | p<0.01 |
| 3y FFS for - iPET | 95% | 95% | |
| 3y FFS for + iPET | 28% | 14% | p<0.01 |

➤ The adherence to international guidelines for PET scanning = ESSENTIAL



Use of Dual-Point Fluorodeoxyglucose Imaging to Enhance Sensitivity and Specificity

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..... A lesion is likely to be malignant if the standard uptake value increases over time, whereas it is likely to be benign if the standard uptake value is stable or decreases. It is worth noting that in many of these studies, dual-time-point PET improved not only the specificity but also the sensitivity in assessing breast, pulmonary, liver, and other tumors because of increased lesion-to-background ratio, as a consequence of FDG washout from the surrounding normal tissues and increasing neoplastic uptake.

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B1 DUAL-POINT FDG-PET: A NEW SCANNING TECHNIQUE TO DISTINGUISH UNSPECIFIC AND NEOPLASTIC FDG UPTAKE IN HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

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SUV uncertainties

$$SUV = \frac{\text{Regional Tracer Activity (Bq/ml)}}{\text{Administered Tracer Dose (Bq) / Pt Weight (g)}}$$

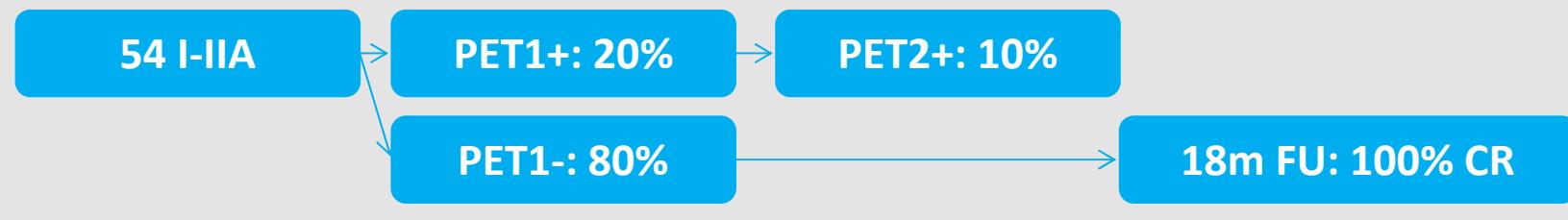
- Biologic factors
 - Uptake period (15%)
 - Patient motion and breathing (30%)
 - Blood glucose levels (15%)
- Technical factors
 - Relative calibration between PET scanner and uptake calibration (10%)
 - Residual activity in syringe (5%)
 - Incorrect synchronization (1-10%)
 - Injection vs calibration time (0%)
 - Quality of emission scan (0%)
- Physical factors
 - Scan acquisition parameters (15%)
 - Image reconstruction parameters (30%)
 - Use of contrast agents (15%)
 - ROI (50%)



A8. INTERIM PET AFTER FIRST AND SECOND ABVD CYCLE IN PATIENTS WITH HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (HL)-POLISH OBSERVATIONAL STUDY

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- PET after 1 ABVD cycle
if + (scores 4-5) or equivocal (score 3) then PET after 2 ABVD cycle
- N=199 HL



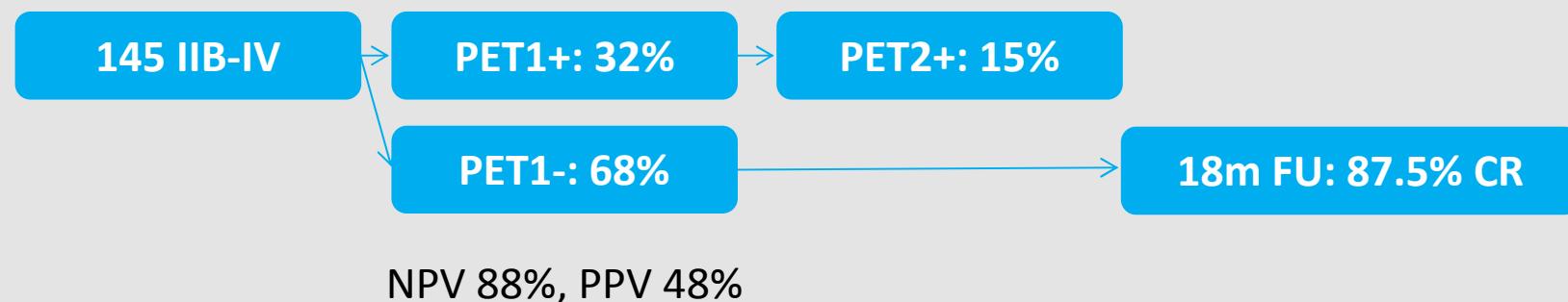
NPV 100%, PPV 44%



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➤ High NPV of PET1



A13. NEGATIVE INTERIM PET PREDICTS FOR BETTER OUTCOME OF DLBCL IN AN IAEA-SPONSORED, 9 COUNTRY INTERNATIONAL STUDY

Carr R (1), Paez D (2), Fanti S (3), Cerci j (4), Morris T (1), on behalf of the International Atomic Energy Agency NHL Investigator Group. 1 London UK, 2 IAEA, 3 Bologna It., 4 São Paulo Br.

- Is value of iPET (2-3 R-CHOP) outside Western Europe and USA worse?
- Brazil, Chile, Hungary, India, Italy, Philippines, Thailand, Turkey, Korea
- Visual reading: if MRU or PR → central review
- N=395

| 2-years EFS | | |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| iPET negative | iPET positive | HR |
| 90% | 59% | 4.6 |
| 95%CI 85–94% | 95%CI 49–68% | 95%CI 2.8–8.6 |

➤ **i-PET = independent predictor of outcome in DLBCL generalisable to non-western populations**





Deauville



The Myth of Prometheus – The Thief of Fire





¹⁸F-FDG Uptake Changes in Liver and Mediastinum During Chemotherapy in Patients With Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma

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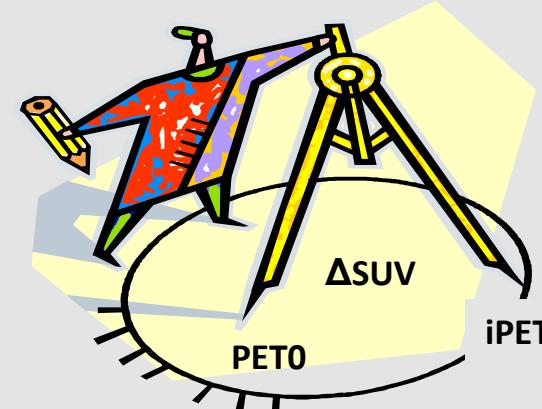
Results: Liver uptake significantly increased in the interim in comparison with baseline and final PET, respectively, whereas MBP activity remained stable during chemotherapy. The intersubject variability of ¹⁸F-FDG uptake in LIV and MBP ranged from 20.2% to 25.4%.

Conclusions: The variability of the LIV uptake during chemotherapy should be taken into account when this parameter is used to score the interim PET scan and to make decisions in defining response-adapted therapeutic strategies. Vice versa, the stability of MBP activity during therapy provides a more reliable benchmark for the response assessment.

Finally, the intersubjects variability of both parameters should be considered when the visual evaluation of the interim PET is performed by point score models.

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- Lesion target ?
- Type of SUV ?
- Cut-off value ?



A2. INTERIM PET SUV_{MAX} REDUCTION IS SUPERIOR TO VISUAL ANALYSIS USING 5-POINT SCALE CRITERIA TO PREDICT PATIENT'S OUTCOME IN HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

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- 59 HL : PET0, PET2 & PET4
- PET positivity = Deauville score 4-5
- 71% Δ SUVmaxPET0-2 & 75% Δ SUVmaxPET0-4

| | 3y-PFS | | | |
|---------------------------|--------|-----|---------|-------|
| | - | + | p | HR |
| Deauville PET2 | 80% | 45% | 0.001 | |
| Deauville PET4 | 74% | 33% | 0.0002 | |
| 71% Δ SUVmaxPET0-2 | 81% | 30% | <0.0001 | 6.77* |
| 75% Δ SUVmaxPET0-4 | 77% | 25% | <0.0001 | 6.2 |

*In multivariate analysis remains the unique independent predictor



A14. PRONOSTIC VALUE OF INTERIM FDG-PET/CT METABOLIC RESPONSE IN DIFFUSE LARGE B CELL LYMPHOMA TREATED WITH R-CHOP

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- Retrospective analysis of 54 DLBCL
 - PET0 and PET2-4 after R-CHOP
 - 2 local readers: Deauville & $\Delta\text{SUV}_{66\%}$
 - Genomic expression profil (GCB versus ABC) & IPI
- } Correlation with outcome

| | 2-years EFS | | p | K |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|--------|--------|
| Deauville | <u>1-3</u> | <u>4-5</u> | <0.001 | K=0.85 |
| | >66% | <66% | | |
| ΔSUV | 81.1% | 18.1% | <0.001 | K=0.94 |
| Genomic | GCB | ABC | 0.02 | |
| IPI | Low | High | NS | |



A15. INTERIM FDG-PET/CT AS A PROGNOSTIC FACTOR IN DIFFUSE LARGE B-CELL LYMPHOMA

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- Prospective study: 50 DLBCL, PET/CT0 & PET/CT2 (R?)
- Reading methods: 3-Point Scoring (PS), Deauville, Δ SUV
- Correlation with PFS and OS

| | 7-years PFS | OS |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-----|
| 3PS | NS | NS |
| Deauville | 79% PET- vs 50% PET+ | |
| Best cut-off Δ SUV | 76% | 75% |

➤ **Optimal cut-off = liver uptake and/or Δ SUV >75%**



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Thursday October 4th

H14.00-14.30

Follicular lymphoma

**The role of PET/CT in the management of Follicular lymphoma:
Its predictive and prognostic role:**

J Trotmann - M Federico



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- 121 FL with high tumor burden
- PET0, 4 RCHOP(PET4) and 6 RCHOP+2R (PET8)
- PET reading: Deauville and Δ SUV

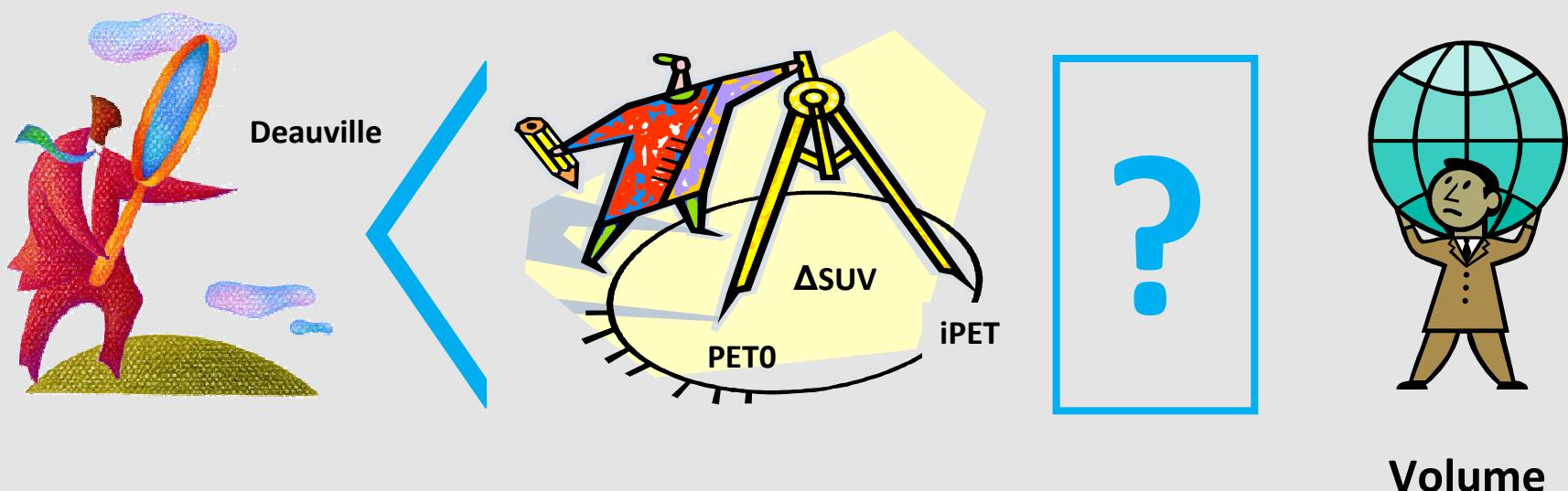
| | 2y-OS | | | | P |
|-----------|--------------------|------|-----------------|-----|----------|
| PET0 | SUV<14.2 | 100% | SUV>14.2 | 87% | <0.008 |
| | ↓SUV and/or ↓FLIPI | 100% | ↑SUV and ↑FLIPI | 71% | <0.0001 |
| ΔSUV | 0-4/43% | | | | NS |
| | 0-8/67% | | | | p<0.005 |
| Deauville | | | | | p<0.0001 |

- Baseline SUV with FLIPI could identify different risk populations
- Δ SUV reduction & Deauville score = good predictor of outcome



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Volume



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Friday October 5th

11.30-13.00:

Metabolic volumes measurement in lymphoma

11.30-13.00:

Chair: A Versari, R Boellaard, M Meignan, L Schwartz.

Metabolic volume measurement (physics and methods)

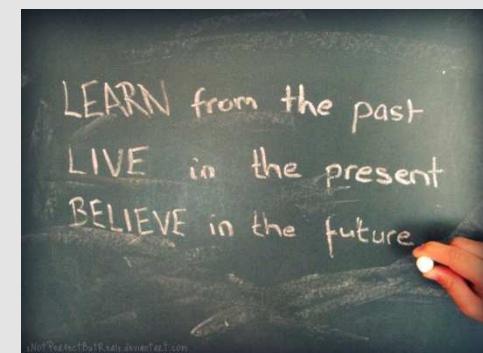
R Boellard

Volume measurement with CT

L Schwartz

Metabolic volume measurement methodology and clinical results (FIL and LYSA)

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- 120 newly-diagnosed DLBCL
- PET0 and PET2 (rituximab-containing regimen)
- MTV: threshold at 41% SUVmax & $\Delta\text{SUV}_{66\%}$
- No therapy change; mean FU 39.8 months

| | N | 2y OS (%) |
|---------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| MTV<550mL AND $\Delta\text{SUV}>66\%$ | 68 | 93 |
| MTV>550mL OR $\Delta\text{SUV}<66\%$ | 42 | 83 |
| MTV>550mL AND $\Delta\text{SUV}<66\%$ | 10 | 22 |

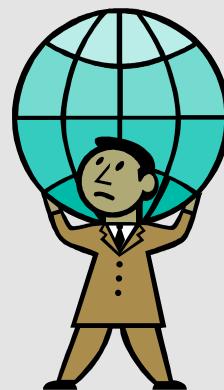
- MTV (550 ml) is highly predictive of OS before initiation of therapy
 - Even better when combined with $\Delta\text{SUV}_{66\%}$



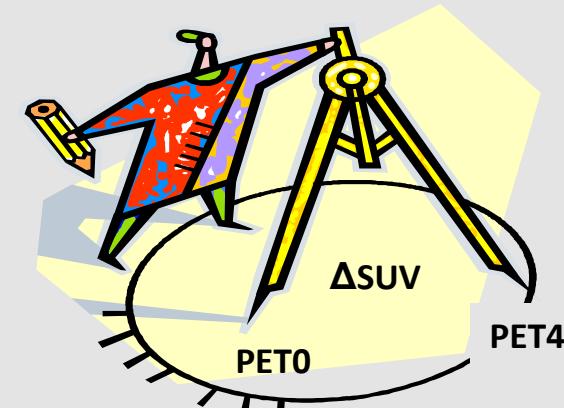
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- 121 DLBCL (LNH07-3B: (<60 years,aaIPI2-3)
- PET0 and PET4 (immunochemotherapy)
- MTV: threshold at 41% SUVmax & Δ SUV70%
- Median FU 28 months



MTV



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| | 2y-PFS (%) | p | 2y-OS (%) | p |
|-------------------------|------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| MTV<625mL | 83 | 0.0032 | 90 | 0.002 |
| MTV≥625mL | 57 | | 60 | |
| Bulk>10cm | | NS | | NS |
| ΔSUV>70% | 88 | 0.0001 | 94 | 0.0001 |
| ΔSUV≤70% | 40 | | 59 | |
| ΔSUV>70% AND MTV<625mL | 90 | 0.0001 | 96 | 0.0001 |
| ΔSUV>70% AND MTV>625mL | 77 | | 77 | |
| ΔSUV≤70% AND MTV><625mL | | NS | | NS |

- Baseline MTV predictive of PFS and OS although tumor bulk was not
 - In responders, MTV may improve the NPV of interim PET.



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Study design

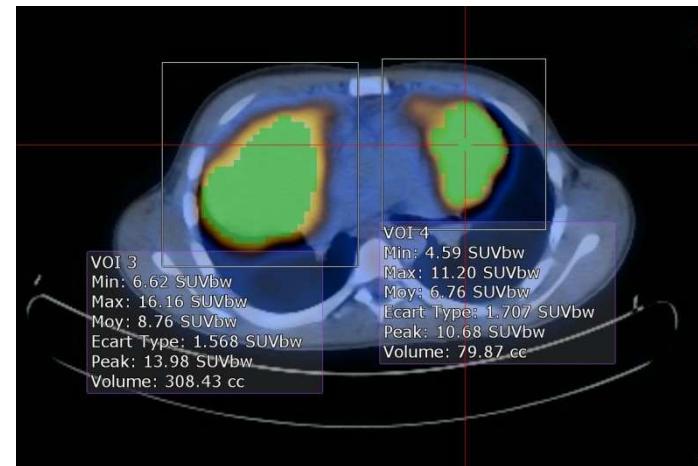
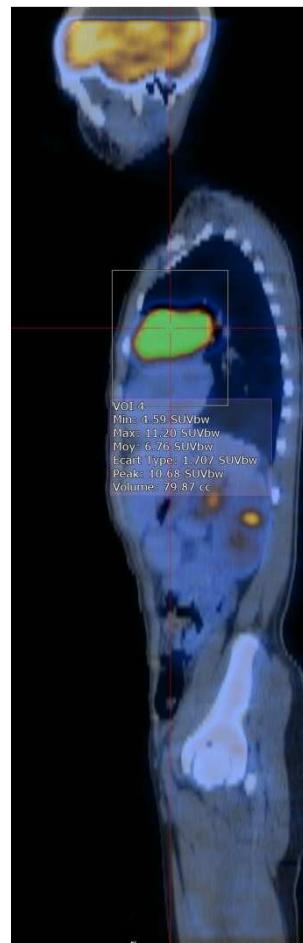
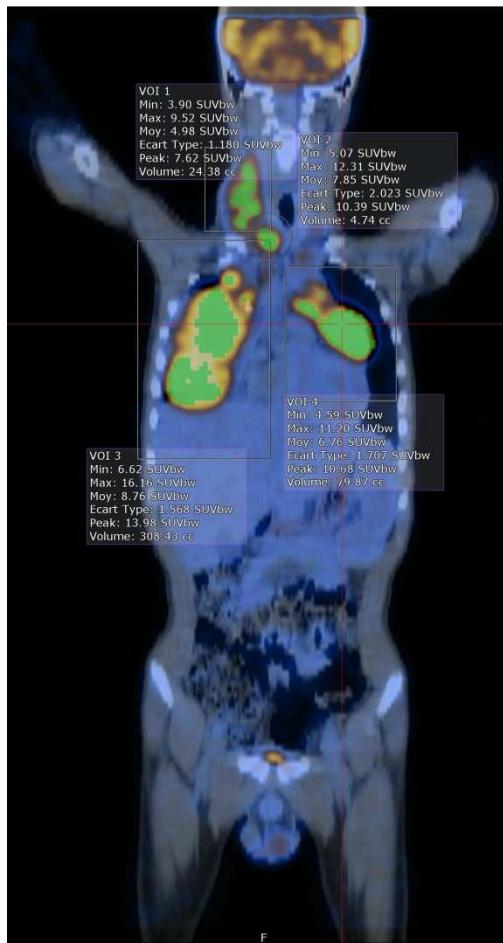
- Retrospective single center study
- **59 consecutive patients** with a first diagnosis of HL between January 2007 and January 2010
- PET performed at baseline (PET0) and after 2 cycles of chemotherapy (PET2)
- **No treatment change on the basis of PET2 results**
- Assessment of:
 - **Metabolic Tumor Volume at baseline (MTV0)**
 - **Tumor bulk (>10 cm) at baseline (CT scan)**
 - **Δ SUVmaxPET 0-2**

MTV0 Assessment

A region of interest (ROI) was drawn around each foci FDG uptake.

In each ROI, voxels presenting a threshold of 41% SUVmax were incorporated to define tumor volumes.

All tumors volume were added to assess the total metabolic tumor volume at baseline (MTV0)



Results

- **Patients**

- Median age 36 y (16 – 76)
- Histological type: NS = 76%, MC 12%
- Stage III/IV = 63%
- IPS>3 = 61%

- **Outcome**

- ABVD = 85%
- Median Fu = 39 months : 10 progression/relapse (17%), 5 Death (8%)

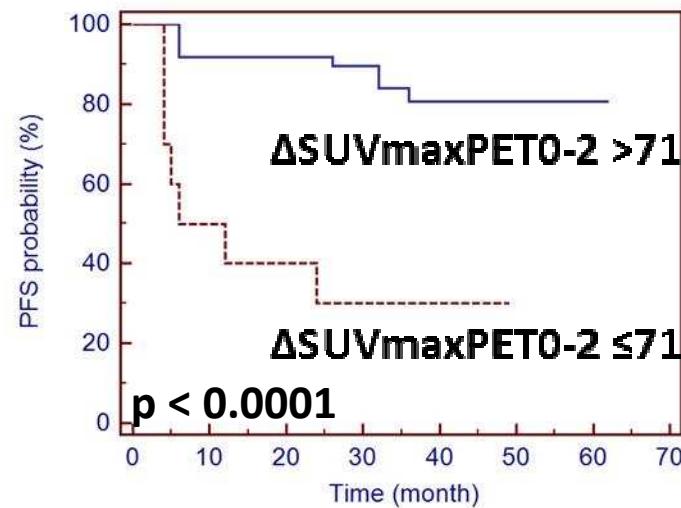
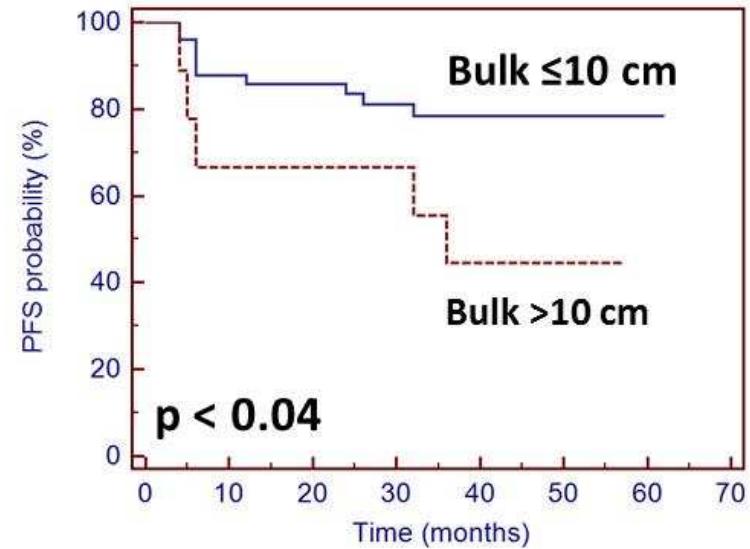
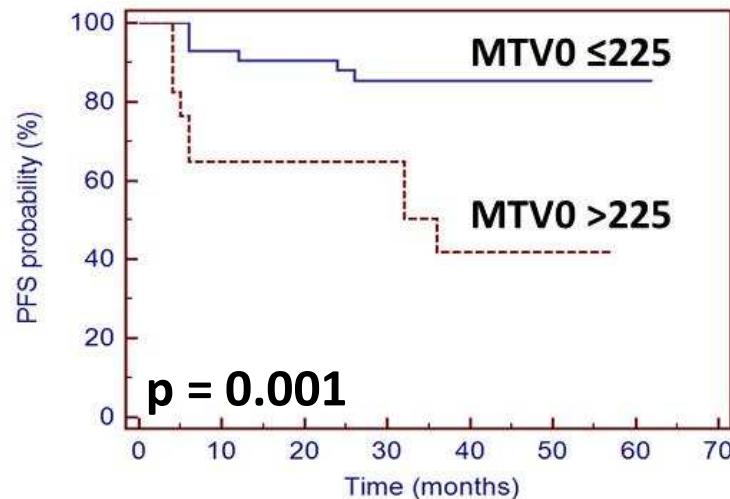
- **In univariate analysis :**

- **MTV0 ($\leq 225\text{cc}$ vs $> 225 \text{ cc}$): 3y-PFS = 85% vs 42%; $p = 0.001$**
- **Bulky tumor ($> 10\text{cm}$ vs $\leq 10\text{cm}$): 3y-PFS = 44% vs 78%, $p < 0.04$**
- **$\Delta\text{SUVmaxPET0-2}$ ($\leq 71\%$ vs $> 71\%$): 3y-PFS = 81% vs 30%; $p < 0.0001$**

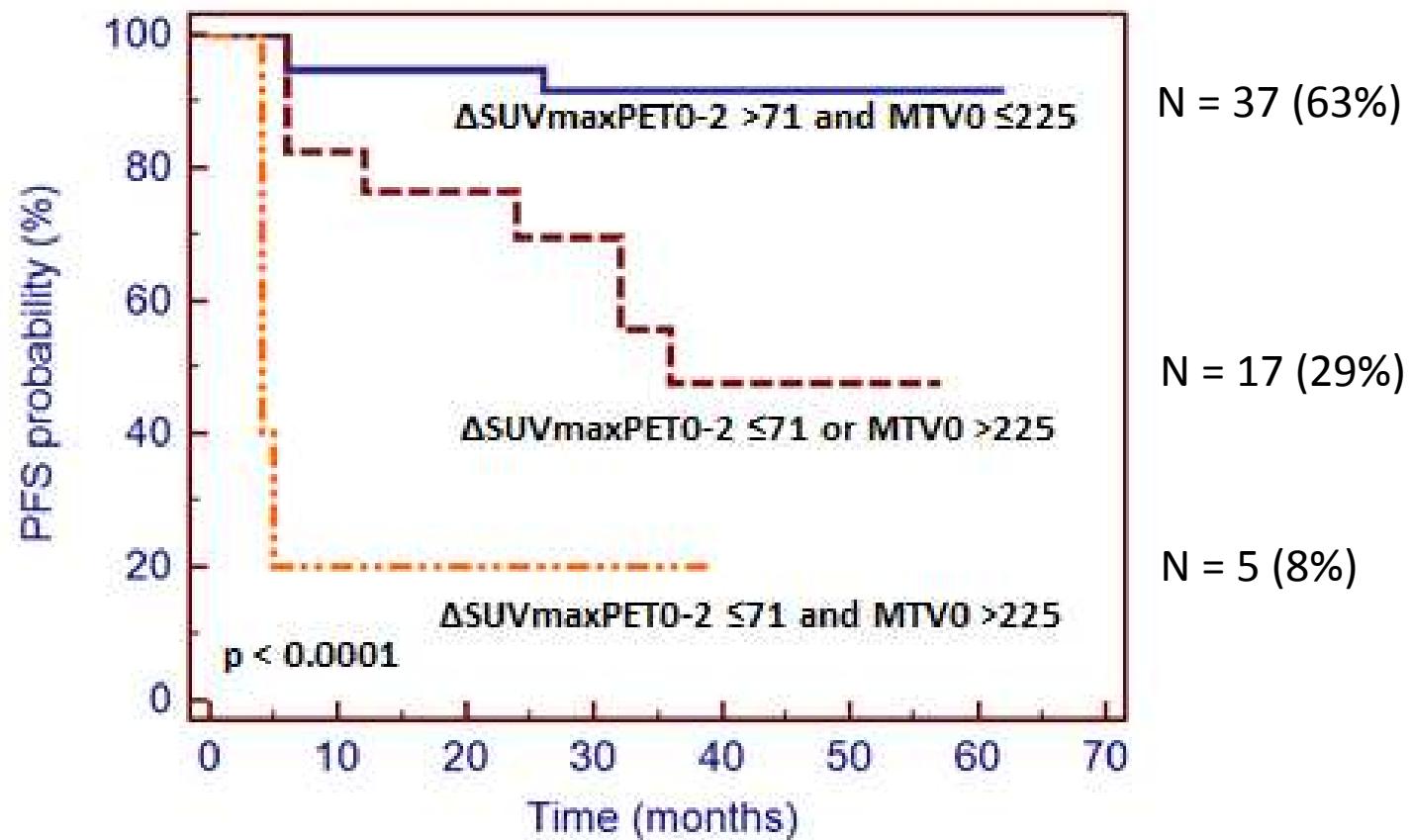
- **In multivariate analysis:**

only **$\Delta\text{SUVmaxPET0-2}$ ($p = 0.0005$; RR= 6.4) and MTV0 ($p < 0.007$; RR= 4.2)** remained independent predictors for PFS

PFS analysis



PFS according to MTV0 and Δ SUVmaxPET-02



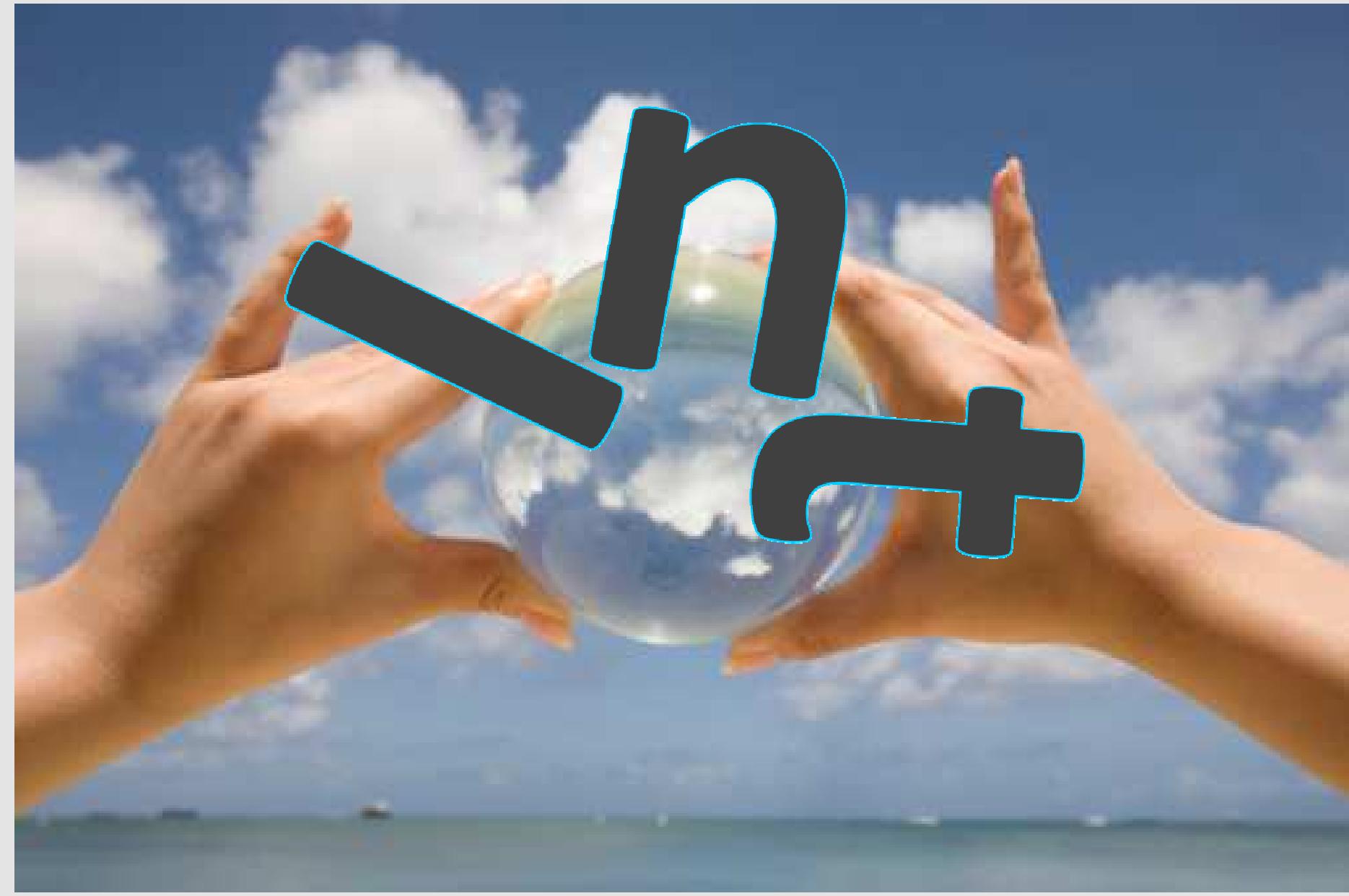
Conclusions

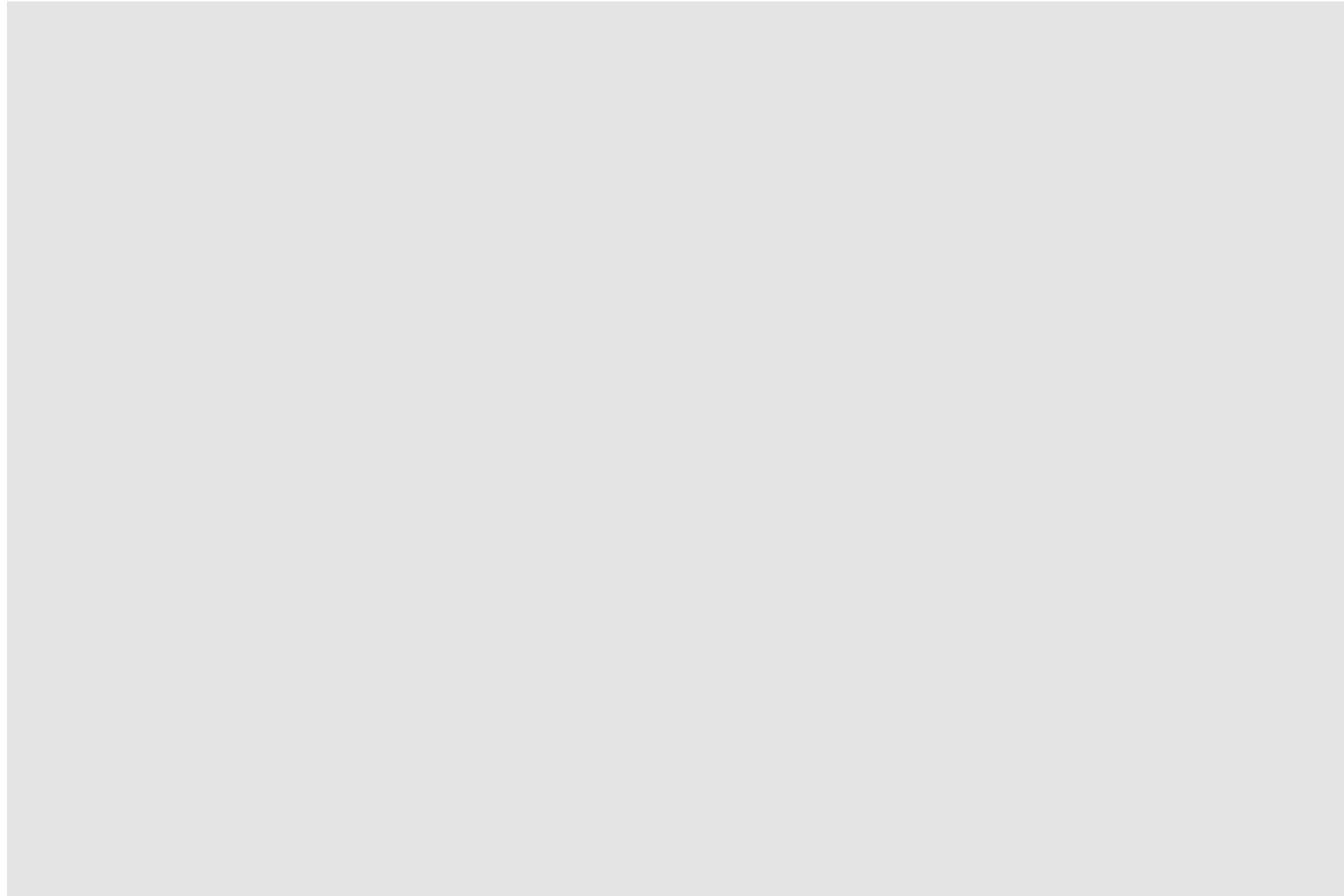
- **MTV0 is more relevant than tumor bulk to predict outcome of patients with HL, and adds significant prognosis insights to interim PET response assessment**
- **The combination of MTV0 with Δ SUVmaxPET0-2 allows identifying 3 subsets of HL patients with significantly different outcomes that may help clinicians to guide therapeutic strategy**

To sum up: iPET in HL and DLBCL

- Owns prognostic information
- Deauville best cut-off = liver uptake
- Δ SUV seems even better
- In HD: PPV ↑ by FDG-PET standardization
- MTV combined with Δ SUV could improve PPV in HD and NPV in DLBCL
- MTV better prognostic index than bulk







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- Prospective study: 59 HL, FU 39 months
- Prognostic value of MTV0 (41% thresholding), $\Delta\text{SUV0-2}$, bulky tumor ($>10\text{cm}$) and international prognostic score

| | Univariate | | Multivariate | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-----------|
| | 3y-PFS | 3y-FFTF | 3y-PFS | 3y-FFTF |
| Bulky tumor ($>10\text{cm}$) | p <0.04 | p = 0.09 | NS | NS |
| IPS | / | / | NS | NS |
| $\Delta\text{SUV0-2}$ (71%) | / | / | p< 0.0005 | p= 0.0002 |
| MTV0 (225ml) | p = 0.001 | p = 0.0015 | p= 0.007 | p= 0.01 |

- MTV0 is more relevant than tumor bulk to predict outcome
- The combination MTV0 and $\Delta\text{SUV0-2}$ identifies 3 different outcomes that may help clinicians to guide therapeutic strategy.



Interim [¹⁸F]Fluorodeoxyglucose Positron Emission Tomography Scan in Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma Treated With Anthracycline-Based Chemotherapy Plus Rituximab

Violaine Safar, Jehan Dupuis, Emmanuel Itri, Fabrice Jardin, Christophe Fruchart, Stéphane Bardet, Pierre Vérité, Christianne Copie-Bergman, Alain Rahmouni, Hervé Tilly, Michel Meignan, and Corinne Haïoun

Results

Visual analysis showed that 70 patients (82.5%) presented with a negative PET scan after two cycles of treatment. The 3-year PFS and OS rates were 84% and 88%, respectively, in patients with PET-negative results versus 47% and 82%, respectively, in patients with PET-positive results ($P < .0001$ and $P < .003$, respectively). A second analysis was performed on 85 patients by using interim PET in a quantitative approach on the basis of a ΔSUV_{\max} evaluation of more than 66%. The 3-year PFS was 77% for patients with PET-negative results and 37.5% for patients with PET-positive results ($P = .002$).

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