

HIFU – Focal One : where do we stand ?

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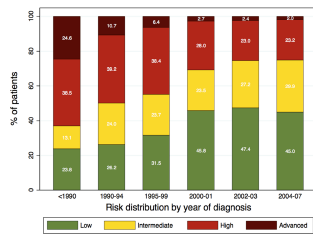
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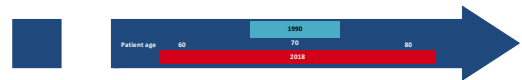
Why ?

- Prostate cancer landscape has changed
- More screening
-> more detection
+ stage-shift



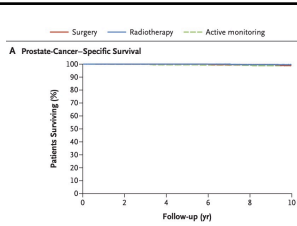
1990 Patient lived < 10 years with Prostate Cancer

- Treatment strategy:
efficacy at all price
- Single treatment approach
 - Aggressive Radical Surgery
 - Radical Radiotherapy



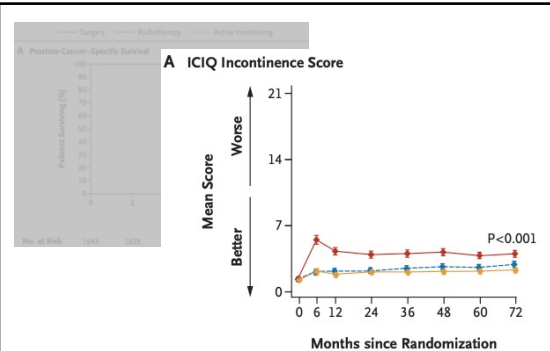
2018 Patient lives > 20 years with Prostate Cancer

- Treatment strategy:
disease control with QoL preservation
- Active surveillance
 - Step-by-step approach
 - Focal Therapy

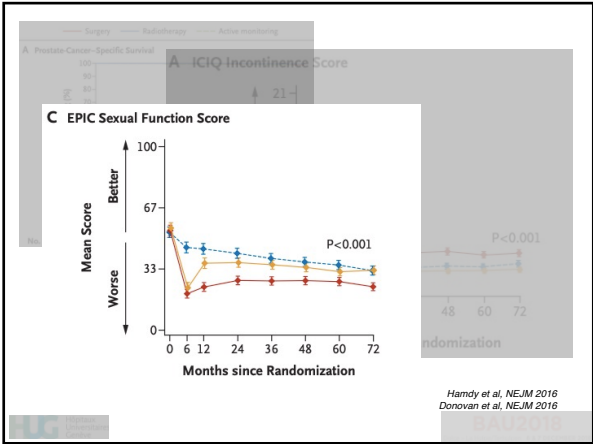


No. at Risk 1643 1628 1605 1575 1286 746

Hamdy et al. NEJM 2016



Hamdy et al. NEJM 2016
Donovan et al. NEJM 2016

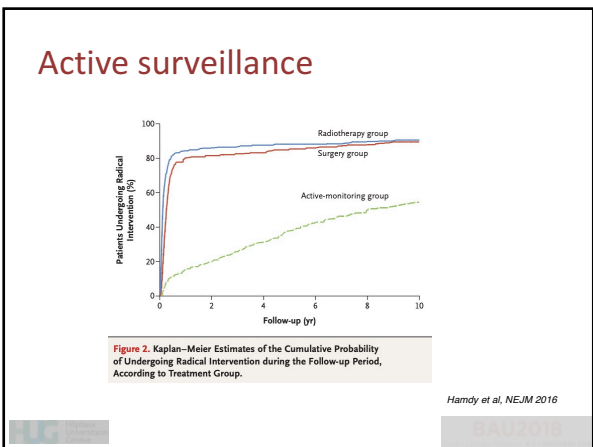
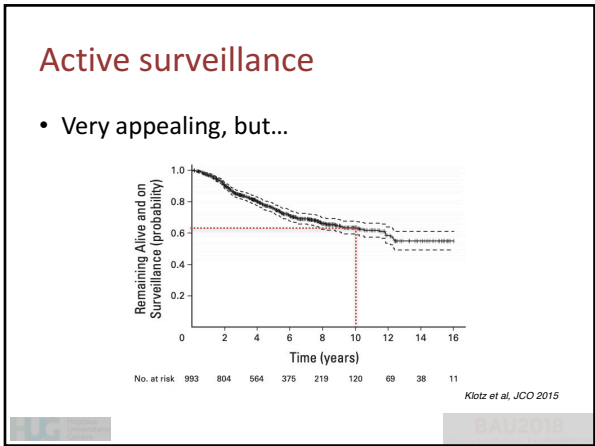


Rationale

- Patients ask for less radical treatment
- Patients are not willing to be cured at all cost

-> One treatment cannot fit all patients !

-> Alternatives to radical treatments are needed

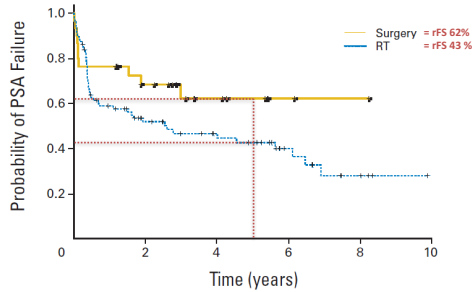


Active surveillance

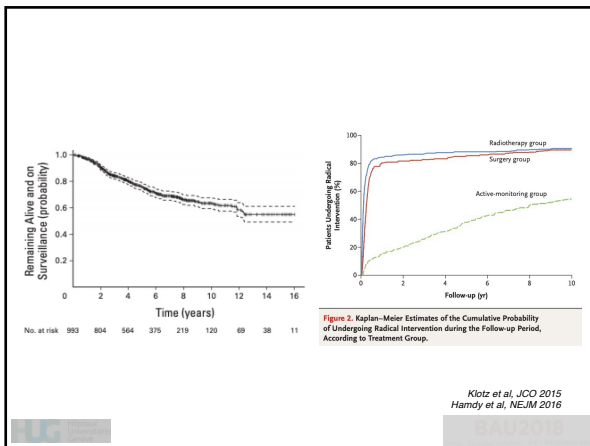
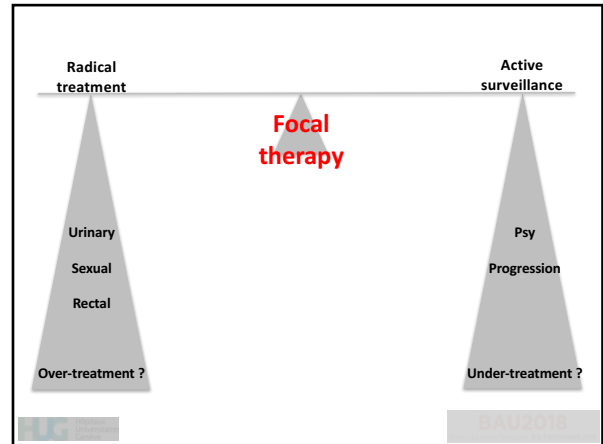
- Cancer upgrading
- Psychological burden (« Why do nothing ? »)
- Physical burden
- Economical burden
- Missing the right treatment opportunity ?
- Worst oncological long-term outcomes ?

Zellaf et al. Cancer 2006
Dalle et al. Cancer 2005
Pickles et al. BJU Int 2009
Latini et al. J Urol 2007
Klotz et al. Urol Oncol 2006

Worst outcomes ?



Klotz et al, Journal of Clinical Oncology, 2010



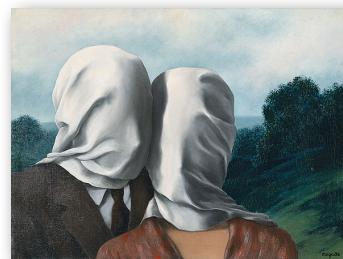
The goals

- Treat the cancer that needs to be treated (*index lesion*)
 - > Less over-treatment
 - > Less treatment-induced toxicity/morbidity
- > Not for a patient who perfectly fits active surveillance criteria
- Reduce the conversion to total treatment observed in active surveillance
- Allow salvage treatment in case of failure

The prerequisite

- **Accurate diagnosis**
 - including mapping of the cancer in the prostate
- **Effective treatment tool**
 - allowing to conform to anatomy/cancer localization
 - allowing to control the planned treatment
 - to avoid under-treatment
 - to avoid complications

Prostate cancer diagnosis and the urologist...



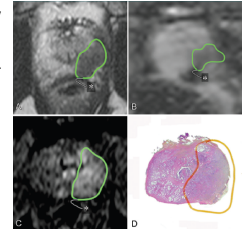
The lovers
René MAGRITTE
Belgium, 1898-1967
National Gallery of Australia

Accurate diagnosis

- mpMRI is the cornerstone of the diagnosis
- Biopsies with at least **targeted biospies** on **all** the suspicious lesions on mpMRI
 - targeted/template transrectal or transperineal
- Mapping of the tumor is mandatory

mpMRI

- mpMRI has an excellent NPV for significant foci :
 - Sen 90%, Spec 88%, NPV 95% for foci >0.5cc
- However, mpMRI underestimates tumor volume :
 - T2w underestimate histologic volume (-45% to +2%)
 - security margins (9mm)



Vilars et al. J Urol 2006
Puech et al. Urology 2010
Mazaheri et al. Radiology 2009
Le Nobin et al. BJU Int 2014

Negative predictive value of MRI

Validation of the European Society of Urogenital Radiology Scoring System for Prostate Cancer Diagnosis on Multiparametric Magnetic Resonance Imaging in a Cohort of Repeat Biopsy Patients.
Portalez et al. Eur Urol. 2012 62(6):986-96.

Table 5 - Receiver operating characteristics of the European Society of Urogenital Radiology sum of scores and the Likert scale in a training set and a validation set randomly drawn from the total cohort of 1324 cases*

	Training set, n = 1018		Validation set, n = 506	
Positive cases, no. (%)	132 (12.9)		68 (13.4)	
Random systematic cases, no. (%)	790 (77.7)		375 (74.1)	
Targeted cases, no. (%)	268 (26.3)		131 (25.9)	
	ESUR score	Likert Scale	ESUR score	Likert scale
AUC of the ROC curve	0.855 ± 0.019	0.845 ± 0.019	0.873 ± 0.022	0.848 ± 0.024
Yield-to-selected threshold	29	23	-	-
Sensitivity, % (95% CI)	67.4 (58.7-75.3)	75.0 (66.7-82.1)	69.1 (56.7-79.8)	73.5 (61.4-83.5)
Specificity, % (95% CI)	92.3 (90.3-94.0)	79.9 (77.1-82.5)	92.2 (89.3-94.5)	81.5 (77.5-85.0)
Positive predictive value, % (95% CI)	96.1 (94.9-97.0)	86.6 (84.9-88.2)	96.6 (95.2-97.8)	82.6 (79.8-85.1)
Negative predictive value, % (95% CI)	85.0 (83.3-86.3)	95.5 (93.7-96.9)	95.1 (92.4-96.8)	95.2 (92.4-97.0)
Overall accuracy, % (95% CI)	93.1 (91.9-94.1)	91.7 (89.9-93.4)	93.1 (91.6-94.5)	90.4 (87.6-93.0)

ESUR = European Society of Urogenital Radiology; AUC = area under the curve; ROC = receiver operating characteristic; CI = confidence interval.
* The predictive characteristics of multiparametric magnetic resonance imaging are presented for ESUR sum of scores ≥9 and Likert scale ≥3 thresholds, as determined by the Youden J statistics.

NPV ESUR PIRADS <9: 95%

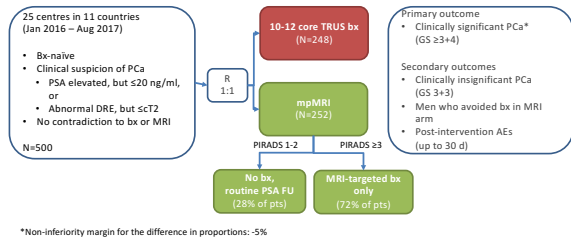
Diagnostic accuracy of multi-parametric MRI and TRUS biopsy in prostate cancer (PROMIS): a paired validating confirmatory study.
Ahmed HU et al. PROMIS study group. Lancet. 2017 Feb 25;389(10071):815-822.

- Multicentre, paired-cohort, confirmatory study to test diagnostic accuracy of MP-MRI and TRUS-biopsy against template prostate mapping biopsy (TPM-biopsy).
- Clinically significant PCa: Gleason score ≥4 + 3 or a maximum cancer core length 6 mm or longer.

Diagnostic accuracy

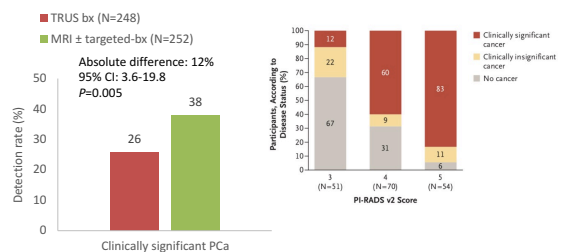
Test attribute	TRUS guided	MP-MRI	Odds ratio (95% CI)	P
Sensitivity	48%	93%	0.06 (0.02-0.12)	<0,0001
Specificity	96%	41%	0.02 (0,003-0,05)	<0,0001
Positive Predictive Value	90%	51%	8.2 (4,7-14,3)	<0,0001
Negative Predictive Value	74%	89%	0.34 (0,21-0,55)	<0,0001

Multi-centre, non-inferiority RCT (PRECISION)



Kasivisvanathan et al. NEJM 2018

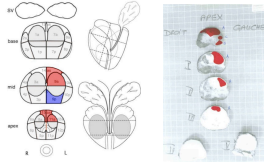
Primary endpoint



Non-inferiority demonstrated
Superiority suggested, but not in trial design

Kasivisvanathan et al. NEJM 2018

Targeted biopsies allow precise mapping



All foci considered :

- Detection of 39/40 (97 %) significant foci

Considering only index lesions :

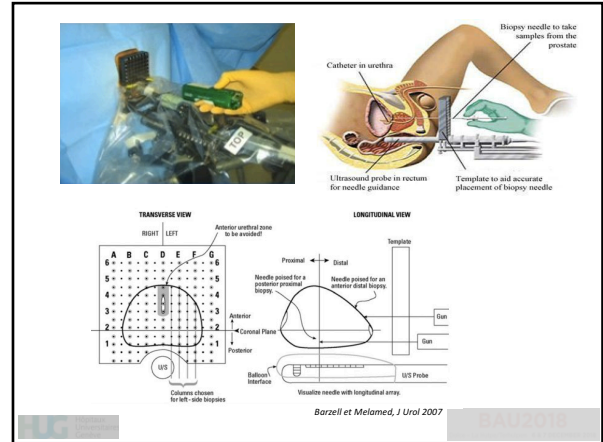
- Detection of 24/25 (96 %) of index lesions

Considering Gleason score (GS) :

- Maximal GS in biopsies matches maximal definitive GS for 84 % of the patients (21/25)
- 2 patients understaged (one high-risk falsely staged intermediate-risk)
- 2 patients overstaged (two intermediate-risk falsely staged high-risk)

Demographics :	
n	25
Age	66 (62-73)
PSA (ng/ml)	8.6 (6.4-13.5)
Prostate volume (cm ³)	57 (39-76)
Tumor volume (cm ³)	3.8 (2.2-7.4)
Tumor vs prostate volume ratio (%)	7 (5-10)
All foci (n)	62 (2.48 / specimen)
Significant foci (n)	40 (65 %)

Benamran et al, Proq Urol 2015



Barzell et Melamed, J Urol 2007

Pitfall

Failure of diagnosis

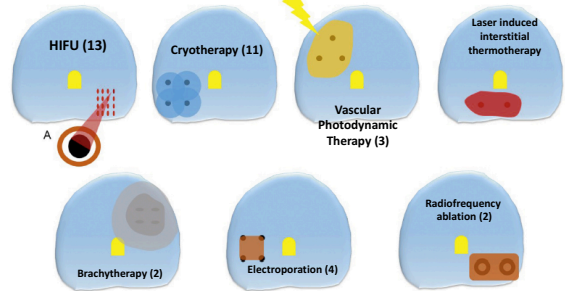
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Worst outcomes

≠ Failure of treatment

New and Established Technology in Focal Ablation of the Prostate: A Systematic Review.
 Valerio M. et al. Eur Urol. 2017 Jan;71(1):17-34.

37 trials - 3230 patients

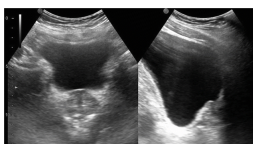


(n studies)

Effective treatment tool : HIFU A very 'simple' technology

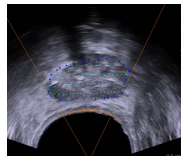
Diagnostics

- parallel beam
- very low energy (0.02 Watts)



Therapeutics (HIFU)

- focalized beam
- very high energy (200 Watts)



A very 'old' technology



Prototype n° 1 : 1993-1995




Prototype n° 2
 1995 - 1999

Ablatherm Maxis
 2000 - 2005



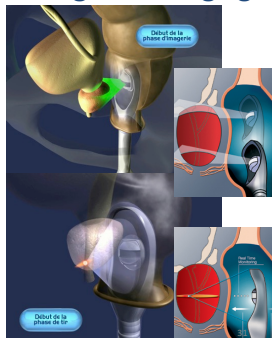
Courtesy of Dr A. Gelet

2000 – 2005
Ablatherm® Maxis



Imaging position
HIFU position

From 2006
Integrated Imaging



Début de la phase d'imagerie
Début de la phase de SR

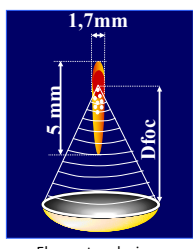


Ablatherm II
2006 -2013

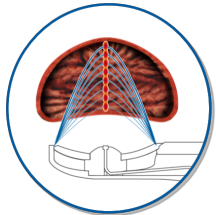


Focal-One
2014 ...

What does the Focal One do ?

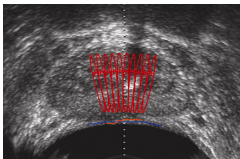
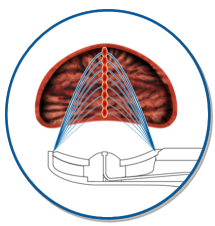


1,7mm
5 mm
Dfoc
Elementary lesion

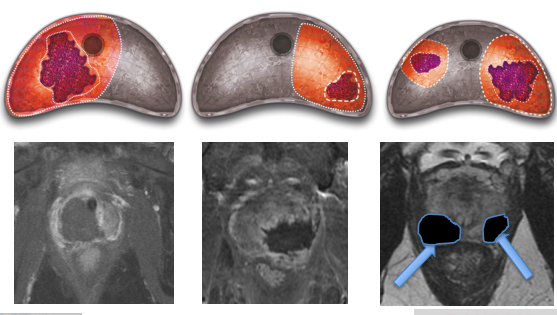


With the Focal One : « dynamic focusing » (8 different focal points)

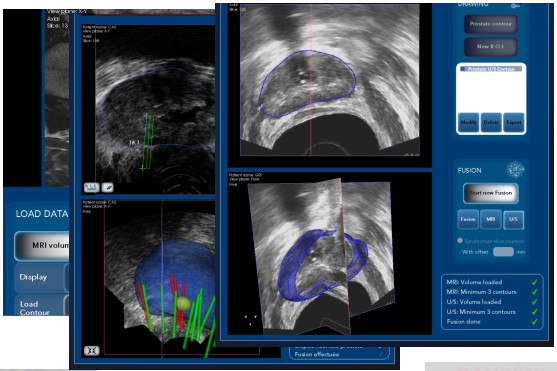
How is it different from the old devices ?

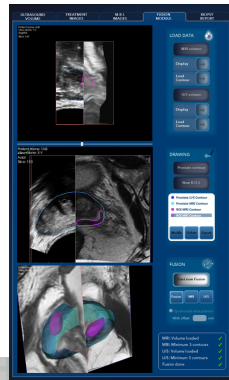
Allows conformational treatment



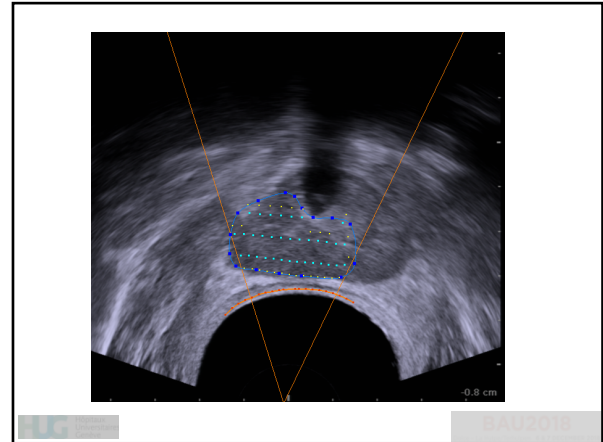
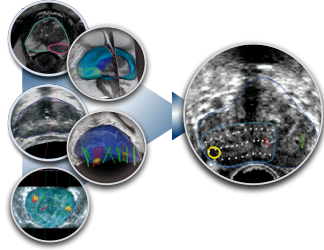
Precise planning of the treatment



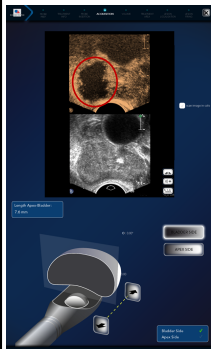
MRI / Biopsy / Ultrasound elastic fusion



- Automatic registration of 3D contours of prostate (3D translations and rotations)
- Elastic transformation
- Transformation applied to MRI targets and biopsy trajectories to be visualized in the ultrasound

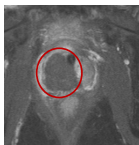


Validation of treatment and retreatment if needed

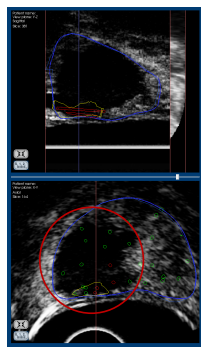


Use of standard Contrast-Enhanced Ultrasound Technology (Sonovue™)

Allows to confirm de-vascularized area



Allows to re-treat areas not completely treated



Clinical results

Padeliporfin vascular-targeted photodynamic therapy versus active surveillance in men with low-risk prostate cancer (CLIN1001 PCM301): an open-label, phase 3, randomised controlled trial

Abdel-Rahmane Azzouzi, Sébastien Vincendeau, Eric Barret, Antony Cicco, François Kleindlauer, Henrik G van der Poel, Christian G Stief, Jens Rassweiler, Georg Salomon, Eduardo Sobone, Antonio Alcaraz, Teuvo T Tammela, Derek J Rosario, Francisco Gomez-Velaz, Goran Ahlgren, Fouzi Benzaghou, Bertrand Gallot, Billy Amzal, Frans M J Debruyne, Gadelle Fromont, Christian Gratzke, Mark Emberton, on behalf of the PCM301 Study Group

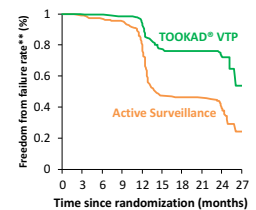
Lancet Oncol. 2017 Feb;18(2):181-191.

Padeliporfin vascular-targeted photodynamic therapy versus active surveillance in men with low-risk prostate cancer (CLIN1001 PCM301): an open-label, phase 3, randomised controlled trial

Co-Primary endpoints	TOOKAD® VTP vs. Active Surveillance
Absence of any positive biopsy at 24 mos*	RR=3.62* 95%-CI=[2.50-5.26]
Failure on composite primary endpoint**	HR=0.34 95%-CI=[0.24-0.46]

Overall p-value for the co-primary analysis: p<0.001

After 3 consecutive biopsies, very significant difference in presence of GS>7 or other tumour burden criteria in the TOOKAD® VTP arm at M24



*In either the treated or contralateral lobe.

** Patients moving outside of the inclusion criteria: GS>7, or > 3 positive cores, or MCCL>5mm, or PSA>10ng/mL in 3 consecutive measures, or T3 stage or above, or metastasis, or PCa death

#Presence of cancer in 51% of VTP patients is due to unilateral treatment with limited capability to retreat progressing patients within the trial (discovery at 24 months, study criteria Gleason<7, others)

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	Vascular targeted photodynamic therapy (n=206)	Active surveillance (n=207)	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p-value
Progression	58 (28%)	120 (58%)	0.34 (0.24-0.46)†	<0.0001
Criteria for progression‡				
>3 positive cores	23 (11%)	58 (28%)	NC	<0.0001†
Chaotic pattern †	49 (24%)	91 (44%)	NC	<0.0001†
Cancer core length >5 mm	25 (12%)	51 (25%)	NC	<0.001†
PSA >10 ng/mL in three consecutive measures	3 (1%)	14 (7%)	NC	<0.001†
Any T2 prostate cancer	0	4 (2%)	NC	NA
Metastasis	0	0	NC	NA
Prostate cancer-related death	0	0	NC	NA
Negative biopsy result at month 24	101 (49%)	28 (14%)	3.67 (2.53-5.33)‡	<0.0001†

Data are n (%), unless otherwise stated. NA, not applicable; NC, not calculated; PSA, prostate-specific antigen. †The Nutting procedure was used to adjust for multiplicity of the two co-primary endpoints. ‡Adjusted hazard ratio. Co-proportional hazards model with treatment as fixed effect and baseline age, number of positive cores, prostate volume, and disease status (unilateral/bilateral) as covariates. †From the log-rank test of equality of survival curves across treatment groups. Co-proportional hazards model with treatment as fixed effect and baseline age, number of positive cores, prostate volume, and disease status (unilateral/bilateral) as covariates. ‡A participant might have met more than one criterion for progression. †From Harman's χ^2 test for observed versus 36-adjusted risk ratio. Logistic regression model with treatment as fixed effect and baseline age, number of positive cores, prostate volume, and disease status (unilateral/bilateral) as covariates.

Table 2: Co-primary efficacy endpoints*

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Long term clinical results

Long term clinical results

	10 Year Cancer Specific Survival	10 Year Metastasis Free Survival
Low	99-100%	99-100%
Intermediate	96-98%	94-95%
High	92%	86%

Clinical results focal therapy

Clinical results focal therapy

<p>Feijoo et al. 2015</p> <p>71 patients 12 months follow-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> +15% Bx in the treated lobe +55% Bx in the whole gland +100% fully continent +3% urinary retention (TURP) 	<p>van Welthoven et al. 2015</p> <p>50 patients 40 months follow-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> +100% 5-year cancer specific survival +94% continence preservation +90% erectile function preservation 	<p>Ruchman et al. 2016</p> <p>111 patients 10 centers 30 months follow-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> +99% absence of CSC in the treated lobe +89% 3 yrs. Radical Treatment Free Survival +97% continence preservation +38.4% erectile function preservation 	<p>Ganzer et al. 2018</p> <p>51 patients 17 months follow-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> +92% absence of CSC in the treated lobe +100% continence preservation +22/30 erectile function preservation
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Longer follow-up ?

A Multicentre Study of 5-year Outcomes Following Focal Therapy in Treating Clinically Significant Nonmetastatic Prostate Cancer

Published by Dorian G. Murphy and Doris Tilkin on pp. 430-431 of this issue

@5yr :

- failure-free survival 88%
- metastasis-free survival 98%
- CSS 100%
- OS 99%

Incontinence : 2 %

Guillemaier et al. Eur Urol 2018

Geneva experience

- No age limit
- PSA < 15
- T1-T2
- mpMRI concordance with the biopsies

With at least 12 months f-u

- 50 patients treated between 2014 and 2016
- Intermediate risk : 78 %
- 12 patients underwent concomitant TURP/ICP
- 26 % immediate re-treatment after SonoVue

Results

- 10 de novo erectile dysfunction (20 %)
- 1 de novo stress incontinence (2 %)
- 6 de novo LUTS (12 %)
- 40/50 no positive biopsy at 12 months
- In the treated area : 46/50 no positive biopsy (92 % success)
 - 2 clinically significant cancer (4 %) -> failure of treatment ?
- Outside the treated area :
 - 2 clinically significant cancer (4 %) -> failure of diagnosis ?

What else ?



Salvage HIFU



Salvage HIFU

Salvage high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU) for locally recurrent prostate cancer after failed radiation therapy: Multi-institutional analysis of 418 patients

Seibler C, Wang A, Anderson BF, et al. *Journal of Clinical Oncology*. 2017;35(15):1653-1660.

Objective: To report the multi-institutional experience of salvage high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU) for locally recurrent prostate cancer after failed radiation therapy. **Patients and Methods:** The retrospective study included 418 patients with locally recurrent prostate cancer after failed radiation therapy who underwent salvage HIFU between 2007 and 2014. **Results:** In all, 418 patients with a median PSA before HIFU of 13.2 (range, 4.5-27.5) were treated with HIFU. The median PSA after HIFU was 1.2 (range, 0.1-10.0).

Introduction: A significant proportion of patients experience a recurrence after prostate brachytherapy (PB). The aim of this study was to evaluate the efficacy of salvage HIFU in a multi-institutional study.

- 418 patients
- 7 yr OS rate : 72 %
- 7 yr CSS rate : 82 %
- 7 yr metastasis free rate : 81 %

Over the time, specific post-radiation parameters decreased toxicity :

- Incontinence : 32 % -> 19 %
- BOO / Stricture : 30 % -> 15 %
- Fistula : 9 % -> 0.6 %

Salvage Focal-HIFU

BJUI

Hemi salvage high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU) in unilateral radio-recurrent prostate cancer: a prospective two-centre study

Edward Ross, Albert Gelet*, Sébastien Cougot*, Eric Ruf*, Olivier Roublon*, Jérôme Tronel*, Vincent Rigge, Jean-François Coqueret* and Hans-J. Sponholz*

Objective

- To report the salvage and hemi-salvage outcomes of hemi salvage high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU) in patients with unilateral radio-recurrent prostate cancer.

Patients and Methods

- Between 2008 and 2012, 42 patients were prospectively treated with hemi-salvage HIFU after primary radiotherapy for prostate cancer. The HIFU target was defined as the unilateral radio-recurrent prostate cancer.
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▪ 42 patients treated in 2 institutions

▪ median f/u 16 months

Incontinence : 8 %
No fistula

73 yo, very active

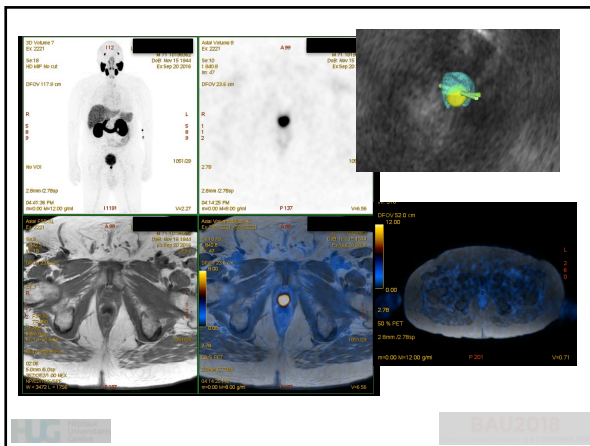
GS 4+9 in 2001 ; RP without lymphadenectomy

Salvage lymphadenectomy in 2005

Salvage radiotherapy in 2006

PSA recurrence in 2013

Addressed in December 2016 : PSA 5.6



Take home messages

- Prostate cancer heterogeneity needs different treatment approaches.
- We have the tools to accurately diagnose our patients (but these are not 100 %)
- We have the tools to selectively treat our patients (but these are not 100%)
- Focal therapy with HIFU provides cancer control and QoL preservation.
- HIFU treatment offers an option for radio-recurrent prostate cancer
- Good patient selection and diagnosis = most important part of success.

" This procedure is cancer-sparing surgery "

Quote in the 1980s about nerve-sparing prostatectomy

" ... total prostatectomy remains the optimal treatment for patients with clinically localized carcinoma of the prostate "

Gibbons et al, J Urol 1984

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“Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything”



George Bernard Shaw

“All truth passes through three stages. First, it is ridiculed. Second, it is violently opposed. Third, it is accepted as being self-evident.”



Arthur Schopenhauer

Thank you !



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Histological characteristics of the index lesion in whole-mount radical prostatectomy specimens: implications for focal therapy

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It has been suggested that in multifocal prostate cancer (PCA), focal therapy to the largest (index) lesion is sufficient, because secondary non-index lesions are unlikely to contribute to disease progression. In this study, the role of PCA focality in selecting men for focal therapy was evaluated. A histopathological analysis of the index and non-index lesions of 100 consecutive radical prostatectomy specimens was carried out. Cases that would have been suitable for focal ablation were also evaluated. Tumours were more often multifocal (75%) and bilateral (86%). In total, 270 tumour foci were identified. In multifocal disease, tumour volume, Gleason score and pathological stage were almost invariably defined by the index lesion of the specimen; among the 170 satellite foci, 148 (87%) were $<0.5\text{cm}^3$ and 169 (99.4%) had Gleason score ≤ 6 . Using the defined criteria, 51% of men in this series would have been considered suitable for focal ablation of the index lesion. Histological features of poor prognosis in the prostate are associated with the index lesion. There is a high proportion of patients who may be suitable for focal therapy, and clinical trials of index lesion ablation should be considered as part of this therapeutic strategy.

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Table 4 Histological characteristics of the individual tumour foci

Tumour type	Total	Gleason ≥ 7		Gleason ≤ 6		Volume $\geq 0.5\text{ cm}^3$		ECE		SVI	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Unifocal	22	7	31.8	15	68.2	18	81.8	5	22.7	7	31.9
Index lesions	78	24	30.7	54	69.3	66	84.6	13	16.6	5	6.4
Secondary lesions	170	1	0.6	169	99.4	22	12.9	2	1.1	0	0
Total	270	32		238		106		20		12	

Abbreviations: ECE, extracapsular extension; SVI, seminal vesicle invasion.

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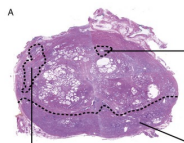
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Original contribution

The relationship of *TMPRSS2-ERG* gene fusion between primary and metastatic prostate cancers²⁶

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“The concordance of the ERG gene rearrangement status between the index primary tumor focus and metastasis suggests that metastasis most likely arises from the index tumor focus in multifocal prostate cancer.”

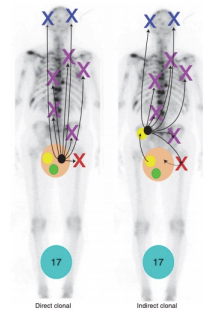
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Copy number analysis indicates monoclonal origin of lethal metastatic prostate cancer

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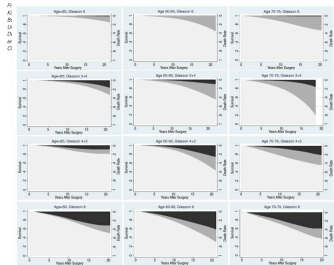
“...despite common genomic heterogeneity in primary cancers, most metastatic cancers arise from a single precursor cancer cell”

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What about true GS 6 ?

Predicting 15-Year Prostate Cancer Specific Mortality After Radical Prostatectomy

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“ only 3 of 9,557 patients with organ confined, pathological Gleason score 6 cancer died of prostate cancer ”

After review of the 3 cases :
all had higher grade disease !

Eggener et al, J Urol 2011

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Do Adenocarcinomas of the Prostate With Gleason Score (GS) ≤ 6 Have the Potential to Metastasize to Lymph Nodes?

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Abstract: Although rare, there are cases within reported series of men with Gleason score (GS) ≤ 6 on radical prostatectomy that show pelvic lymph node (LN) metastases. However, there are no studies on whether pelvic LN metastases occur in tumors with GS ≤ 6 using the International Society of Urological Pathology (ISUP) updated GS system. We performed a search of the

pattern 4 or 5, as better defined by the current ISUP updated grading system, is required for metastatic disease.

Key Words: Gleason score, radical prostatectomy, lymph node metastases
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14'123 case of true GS 6 on whole-mount pathology

22 lymph nodes positive – on review : all had higher grade

Ross et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2012