

Management of Limited Stage Disease: An Overview

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Small Cell Lung Cancer(SCLC)

Facts & Features

- 10-15 % of all new Lung cancers
- Incidence is decreasing over decades
- Elderly (median age is 1 decade more than NSCLC)
- Almost synonymous with Smoking (<3% are non- smokers)
- More than 90 % are Heavy/ current smokers
- Early locoregional & Distant metastases
- Para-neoplastic syndromes common
- Aggressive disease
- Rx : Multi Disciplinary
- Relapses are common
- Salvage is difficult



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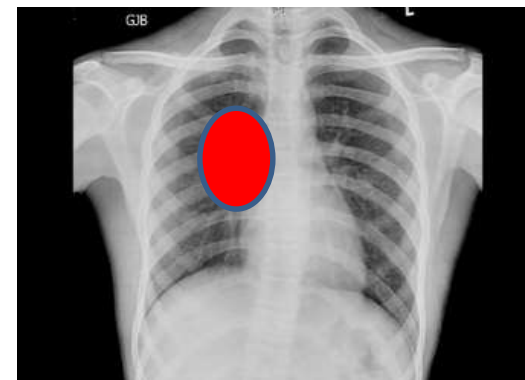
VALG (The Veterans Affairs Administration Lung Cancer Study Group)

1957 Two Stage classification

Limited disease (LD/LS)&Extensive disease(ED)

Limited to **HEMITHORAX**

Rx in reasonable/tolerable radiotherapy port



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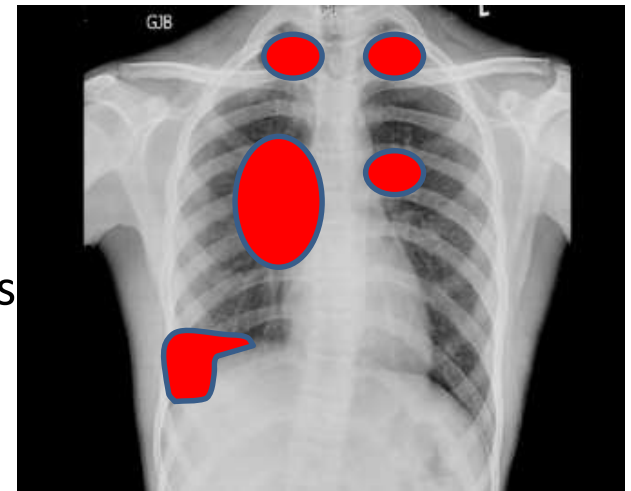
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VALG 2 Stage, Modification by IASLC 1989

Limited disease (LD) includes

Contralat.Hilar /mediastinal/supraclavicular nodes

*Pleural infusion was included (*wet disease)



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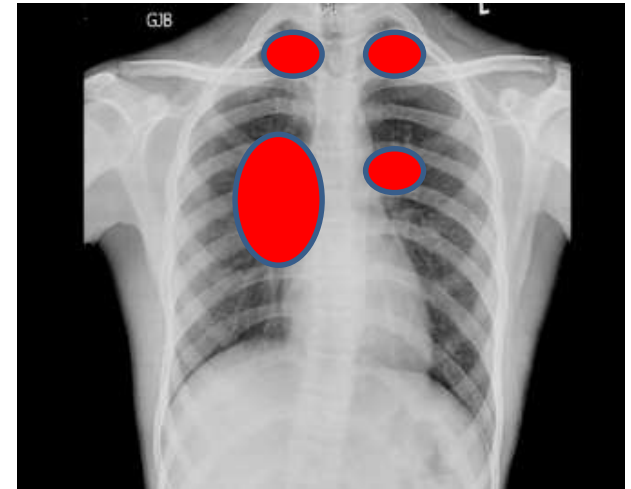
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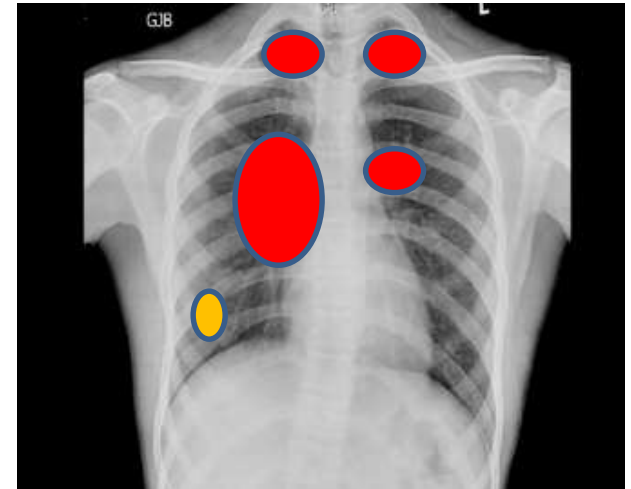
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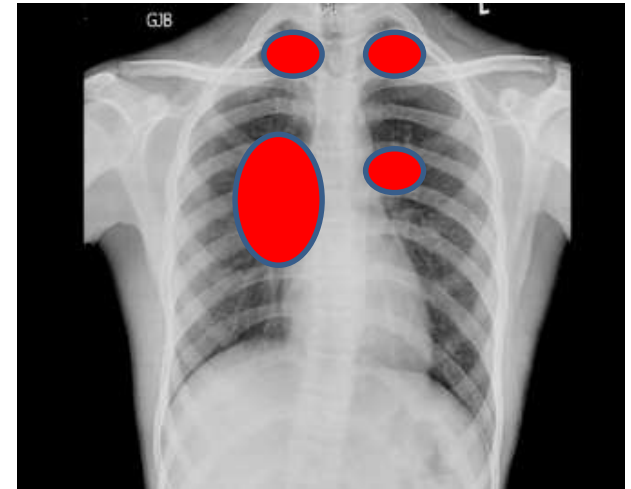
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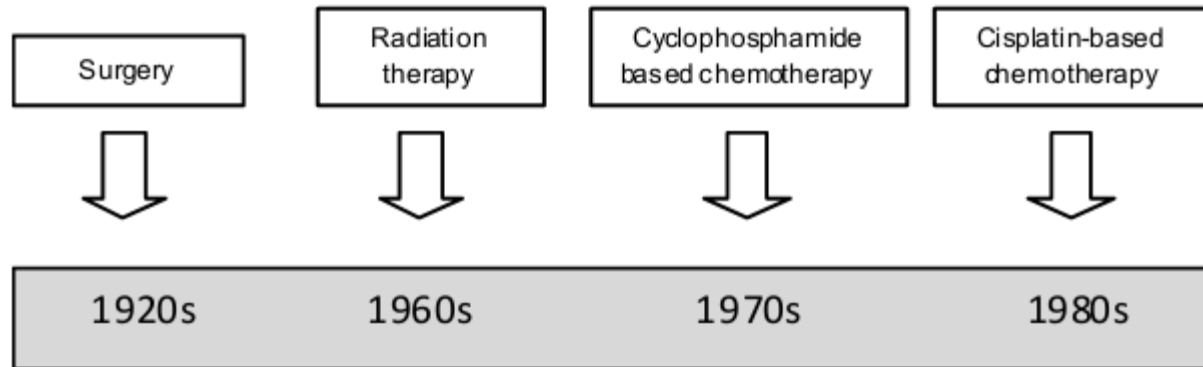
Lest Not Forget :

Rx in reasonable/tolerable radiotherapy port



Limited Stage SCLC

Treatment Evolution



- **Combined Concurrent Chemoradiotherapy Is The Standard Of Care**
- **Surgery has very limited role**

Limited Stage SCLC Treatment Rules

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MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL COMPARATIVE TRIAL OF SURGERY AND RADIOTHERAPY FOR PRIMARY TREATMENT OF SMALL-CELLED OR OAT-CELLED CARCINOMA OF BRONCHUS: Ten-year Follow-up The Lancet 1973

Wallace Fox, J.G. Scadding

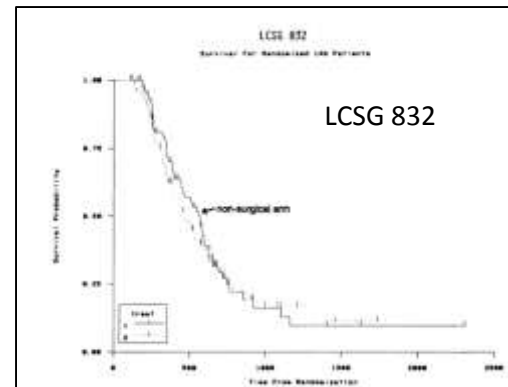
R0 in 50%
No survival benefit over RT
No CT
Historical study

Articles | December 1994

A Prospective Randomized Trial to Determine the Benefit of Surgical Resection of Residual Disease Following Response of Small Cell Lung Cancer to Combination Chemotherapy [FREE TO VIEW](#)

Thomas Lad; Steven Piantadosi; Paul Thomas; David Payne; John Ruckdeschel; Giuseppe Giaccone

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Induction CT(CAV)
Random
Sx Vs No Sx
↓
Both receives thoracic RT



No benefit with addition of Sx

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Chemotherapy

IMPORTANT DRUGS

- CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE
- DOXORUBICIN /EPIRUBICIN
- ETOPOSIDE
- PLATINUM (CISPLATINUM ; CARBOPLATINUM)
- TOPOTECAN/IRENOTECAN
- VINCRISTINE

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THALIDOMIDE

436 Pts

EP is superior to CEV

In LD SCLC ; OS (median) EP- 14.5 Vs CEV- 9 Months

Cisplatin and Etoposide Regimen Is Superior to Cyclophosphamide, Epirubicin, and Vincristine Regimen in Small-Cell Lung Cancer: Results From a Randomized Phase III Trial With 5 Years' Follow-Up

By Stein Sundström, Roy M. Bremnes, Stein Kaasa, Ulf Aasebø, Reidulv Hatlevoll, Ragnar Dahle, Nils Boye, Mari Wang, Tor Vigander, Jan Vilsvik, Eva Skovlund, Einar Hannisdal, and Steinar Aamdal for the Norwegian Lung Cancer Study Group

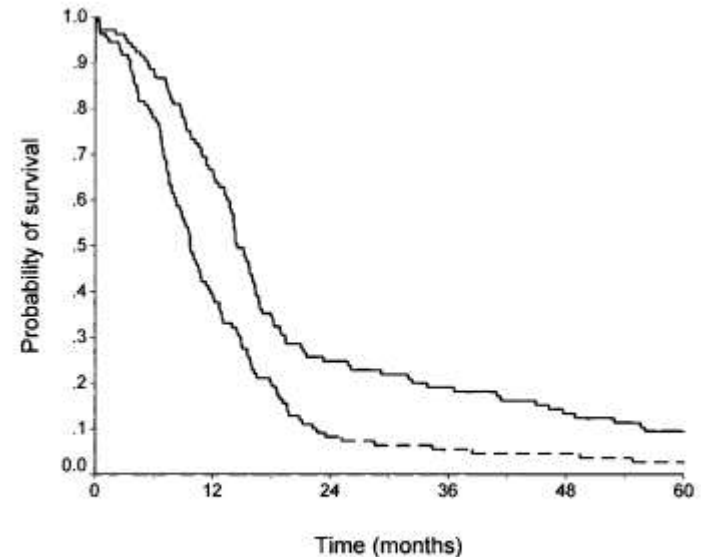


Fig 2. Overall survival of LD-SCLC patients (N = 214) according to treatment arm (P = .0001). CEV (dashed line), n = 109; EP (solid line), n = 105.

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CT with RT

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THE NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE

Dec. 3, 1992

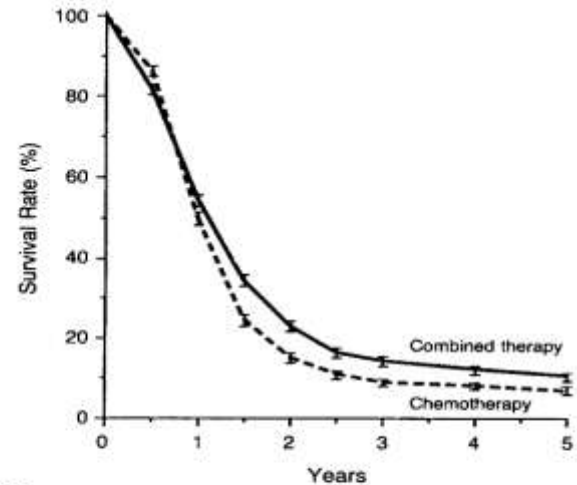
A META-ANALYSIS OF THORACIC RADIOTHERAPY FOR SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER

JEAN-PIERRE PIGNON, M.D., RODRIGO ARRIAGADA, M.D., DANIEL C. IHDE, M.D., DAVID H. JOHNSON, M.D.,

13 trials
2140 patients

5.4 % overall survival at 3 years

Addition of RT Improves Survival



No. at Risk	0	1	2	3	4	5
Chemotherapy	992	475	138	76	63	47
Combined therapy	1111	575	236	143	110	81

Figure 2. Survival Curves for the Combined-Therapy Group and the Chemotherapy Group.

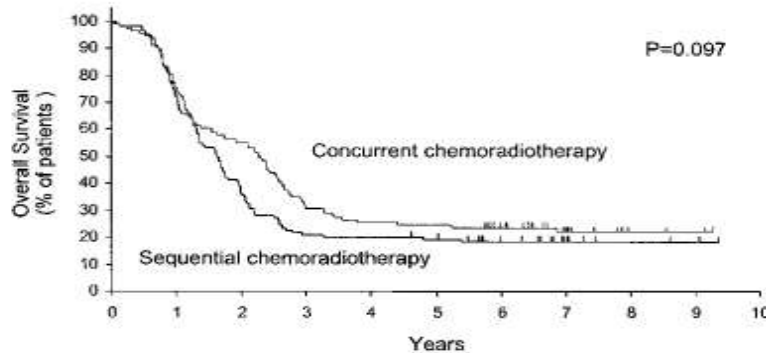
The three-year survival rates were 14.3 ± 1.1 percent in the combined-therapy group and 8.9 ± 0.9 percent in the chemotherapy group (for a difference of 5.4 ± 1.4 percent; $P = 0.001$ by stratified log-rank test). Each I bar denotes the standard deviation.

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CT with RT Sequencing

Phase III Study of Concurrent Versus Sequential Thoracic Radiotherapy in Combination With Cisplatin and Etoposide for Limited-Stage Small-Cell Lung Cancer: Results of the Japan Clinical Oncology Group Study 9104

By Minoru Takada, Masahiro Fukuoka, Masaaki Kawahara, Takahiko Sugiura, Akira Yokoyama, Soichiro Yokota,



N=231

4 cycles **PE** CCRT from cycle 1
 Sequential RT after cycle 4 **PE**
 RT- 45 Gy/3 wks, 1.5 Gy b.i.d

No. at Risk	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sequential chemoradiotherapy	114	83	41	24	23	21	14	7	3	2	
Concurrent chemoradiotherapy	114	86	63	34	29	28	21	12	3	2	

Improved survival (median 27 vs. 20 months; $p < .10$) in CCRT (Though Underpowered)
 No change in Gr 3 Oesophagitis
 Significant increase in Grade 3 or greater leukopenia (85% vs.54%)

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Systematic Review Evaluating the Timing of Thoracic Radiation Therapy in Combined Modality Therapy for Limited-Stage Small-Cell Lung Cancer

Daniel B. Fried, David E. Morris, Charles Poole, Julian G. Rosenman, Jan S. Halle, Frank C. Detterbeck, Thomas A. Hensing, and Mark A. Socinski JCO(22) 2004: pp. 4837-4845

- Early TRT

RT initiated within 9 weeks after starting chemotherapy

- Late TRT

RT initiated after 9 weeks after starting chemotherapy

Survival RR for early TRT vs late TRT was 1.17

Absolute survival advantage 5.2% @2 year survival early TRT

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Thoracic Radiotherapy Volume

CLINICAL INVESTIGATION

Lung

SELECTIVE NODAL IRRADIATION ON BASIS OF ¹⁸FDG-PET SCANS IN LIMITED-DISEASE SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER: A PROSPECTIVE STUDY

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Int. J. Radiation Oncology Biol. Phys., Vol. 77, No. 2, pp. 329-336, 2010

PET CT based Staging / RT planning

Sixty patients

Volume: Involved Primary/ mediastinal nodes

30% of patients difference in the involved nod stations between Pre-Rx ¹⁸ PET scans & CT sca

Pattern of Relapse

low rate of isolated nodal failures (3%)

(in field and out field failures are same)

Low percentage of acute esophagitis

Recurrence	Patients (n)
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Local	9 (15)
In field	3 (5.0)
Out of field	4 (6.7)
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Selective nodal Irradiation

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Thoracic Radiotherapy Volume

Rx Volume : Pre chemo / Post chemo

Literature Data Not clear

Some used 2D / others 3 D

Some pre chemo/ other post Chemo

Ideally : Start RT day 1 of Cycle 1(**pre chemo**)

Fallout : Increased Toxicity

Pragmatic : If volume large unable to deliver RT (**post chemo**)

Try to ensure : disease as seen on the CT scan (before @2 cycle)

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Thoracic Radiotherapy Dose Fractionation

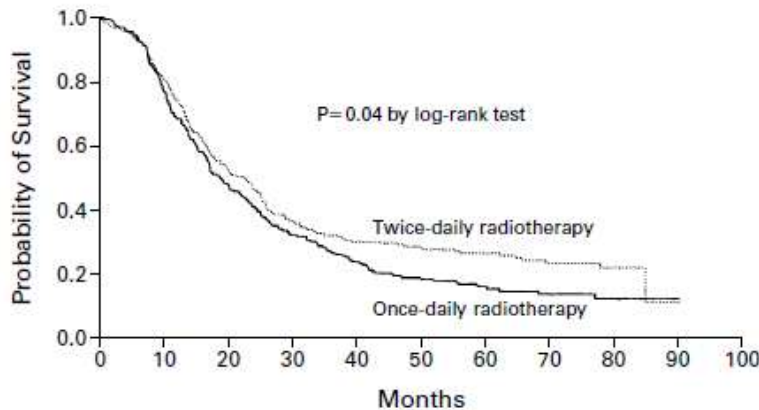
Optimal Dose/ Fractionation of TRT is not known

High local failure with 45-50.4Gy @1.8 Gy OD

Community survey in USA ; pattern of care studies; 50 Gy@ 1.8 -2Gy (81 %)*

FREQUENCY OF THORACIC RADIOTHERAPY WITH CHEMOTHERAPY IN LIMITED SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER TWICE-DAILY COMPARED WITH ONCE-DAILY THORACIC RADIOTHERAPY IN LIMITED SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER TREATED CONCURRENTLY

ANDREW T. TURRISI, III, January 28, 1999 WITH CISPLATIN AND ETOPOSIDE The New England Journal of Medicine



5 yr OS OD Vs BD
16% Vs 26%
Gr. 3 Oeso. 11% vs 27 %
(p <0.001)

TREATMENT GROUP	0-20 Mo	20-40 Mo	40-60 Mo	60-80 Mo	80-100 Mo
	no. of deaths/no. at risk				
Once daily	108/206	48/96	15/47	4/21	0/5
Twice daily	100/211	47/109	7/62	5/42	1/14

Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier Estimates of Overall Survival for All 417 Patients Assigned to Treatment Groups.

* SEER DATA 2003 Movsas et al

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End Point = Overall Survival

CALGB 30610/RTOG 538 TRIAL

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(Planned interim Analysis)

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*10 March 2013

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OPTIMAL INTEGRATION: SER TIME

Time Between the First Day of Chemotherapy and the Last Day of Chest Radiation Is the Most Important Predictor of Survival in Limited-Disease Small-Cell Lung Cancer

Dirk De Ruyscher, Madelon Pijls-Johannesma, Søren M. Bentzen, André Mincken, Rinus Wanders,

VOLUME 24 · NUMBER 7 · MARCH 1 2006

JOURNAL OF CLINICAL ONCOLOGY

ORIGINAL REPORT

SER : Start of any intervention (CT) to End of Radiotherapy

Rapidly accelerating Tumors

Hypothesis: Does Early RT Helps In Increased OS

Short SER is Better: For TUMOR (Toxicity Also Increased)

**8 RCT studies (2 Omitted because no time difference, no OS reported,
1 used Doxorubicin(low efficacy, higher toxicity)**

TUMOR : Short SER RR 0.62 { 95% CI 0.49-.80(p=.0003)}

Higher OS 5 yr 20% MORE if SER less than 30 days

(Each week loss of OR by 1..83%)

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TOXICITY: Non Hematogenous

Acute:(COMMON)

Esophagitis :

Dermatitis

Cough

Fatigue

Subacute/late:

LUNG

Pneumonitis/Fibrosis

ESOPHAGUS

Stricture

Perforation

CARDIAC

Pericarditis

Coronary artery disease

NEUROLOGICAL

Lhermitte's syndrome,

Brachial plexopathy

OTHERS

Rib fracture

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Prophylaxis Cranial Radiotherapy

- Sanctuary site
- Almost Essential { in CR or near CR}
(except in Progressive disease)
- Preferably Early after completion CTRT
- Dose = 25 Gy-30 Gy / 10 - 15 Fr/ 2-3 weeks

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Prognostic factors

Patient Related

- Age
- Comorbidity
- Performance status

Tumor related

- Stage of disease
- Biochemistry (serum Na+, LDH, Alk Pos)

Treatment related

- Timing of Radiotherapy(Thoracic&
Cranial)
- Chemotherapy
- Overall treatment Time

Expected 5 yr survival*

Stage I	31%
Stage II	19%
Stage III	08%
Stage IV	02 %

* SEER data 1988-2001

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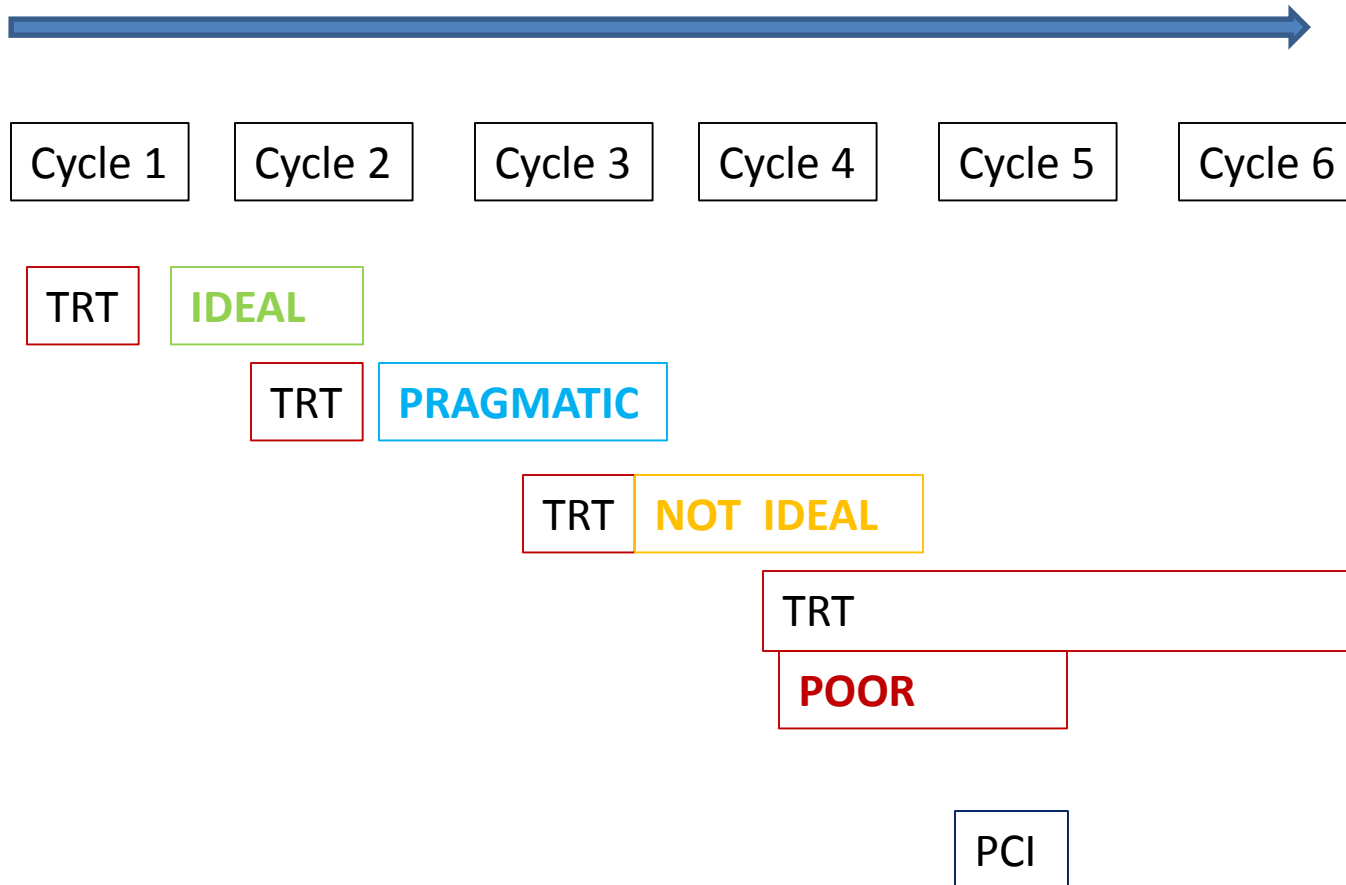
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Conclusions

- CESSATION OF HABITS
- ADEQUATE STAGING(IMAGING)
- MULTI DISCIPLINARY APPROACH
- MAINTING OF TIME TREATMENT INTENSITY(INCLUDING NUTRITION)
- TIMELY MANAGEMT OF TOXICITY (HEMATOGENOUS/NON HEMATOGENOUS

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TIMELINES



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