

# **Il Nodulo Epatico**

*dalla Diagnosi ... alla Terapia*



## **Terapia dell'HCC**

### *L'approccio chirurgico*

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# HCC

## Approccio Chirurgico

- Resezione
- Trapianto
- Terapie combinate: Radiofrequenza con accesso open o laparoscopico.  
«Surgical Resection versus Open-Approach Radiofrequency Ablation for small Hepatocellular Carcinomas within Milan criteria after successfull Transcatheter Arterial Chemoembolization»  
(J. Lei, J Gastrointest Surg, August 2013)
- Linee guida AISF

# Confronto

## Resezione

SI  
NO  
20%

2-3%  
/

50% a 3 aa e 70% a 5 aa  
(sede Intraepatica)

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-EC: Mediana 1.9 U  
-PFC: Mediana 3.7 U  
-PLT: Mediana 0 U  
-ICU stay post op: Mediana 1.6 gg  
-Hospital stay post op: Mediana 8 gg  
- 20.000 €

### Trattamento tumore

### Trattamento cirrosi/epatopatia

### Morbilità

### Mortalità perioperatoria

### Complicanze Immunosoppressione

### Recidiva HCC post resezione/trapianto

### Organs shortage

### Costi

## Trapianto

SI  
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40-48%

3% e a 1 anno ≤ 10%

-Incidenza neoplasia de novo: 13% e 26% a 5 e 8 aa  
-IRC: 18.5% a 5 anni  
-Sepsi: 37% nei primi 3 mesi (mortalità: 30%, ma 50% in caso di shock settico)

15-20% a 5 aa  
(88% Extraepatica)

Drop out: 10% a 6 mesi

-EC: Mediana 2-10 U  
-PFC: Mediana 10 U  
-PLT: Mediana 4 U  
-ICU stay post op: Mediana 2 gg  
-Hospital stay post op: Mediana 20 gg  
- 40.000 €

# Criteri allocazione graft epatico

## URGENCY

Priorità assegnata in base  
alla gravità del paziente  
in lista

## UTILITY

Priorità assegnata in base  
all'outcome atteso nel  
post trapianto

## BENEFIT

Priorità assegnata al  
paziente con maggior  
differenza  
tra la sopravvivenza attesa  
post trapianto e la  
sopravvivenza attesa in  
lista

ID no.	Future lifetime (patient)			Total future lifetime (patient population) if assigned to candidate (ID no.)
	WL	LTx	B = LTx - WL	
1	7	10	3	$17 = 10 + 2 + 5 = 3 + (7 + 2 + 5)$
2	2	3	1	$15 = 7 + 3 + 5 = 1 + (7 + 2 + 5)$
3	5	9	4	$18 = 7 + 2 + 9 = 4 + (7 + 2 + 5)$

B = transplant benefit.

ID = patient identification number.

LTx = predicted post transplant lifetime.

WL = predicted waiting list lifetime.

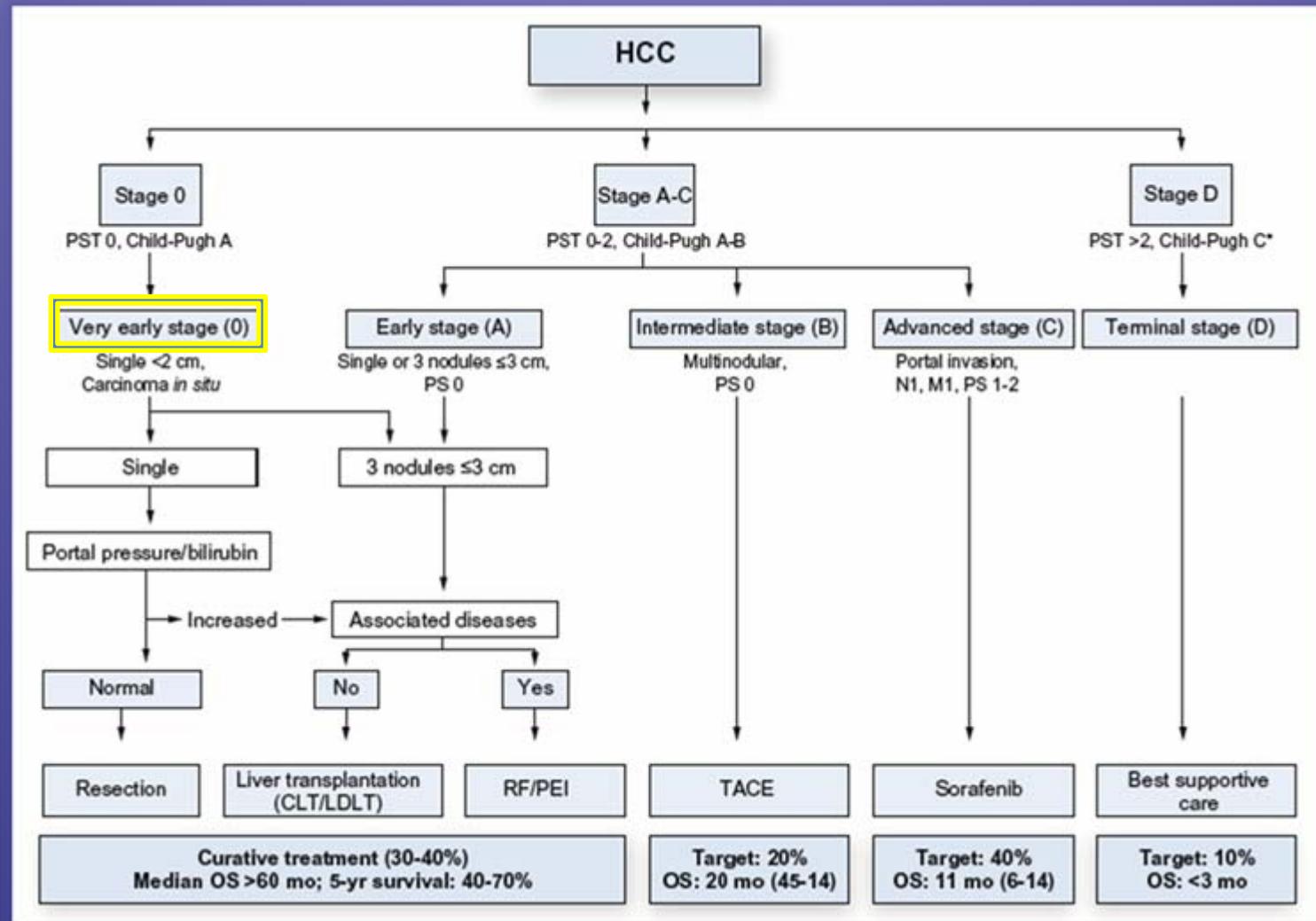
# Criteri per inserimento in lista trapianto UK

- Gli organi sono una risorsa della società
- I pazienti dovrebbero essere selezionati se l'aspettativa di vita senza il trapianto risulta essere  $\leq 1$  anno o se il paziente presenta una qualità di vita inaccettabile a causa della malattia epatica
- I pazienti trapiantati dovrebbero avere una probabilità di sopravvivenza di almeno il 50% a 5 anni con una accettabile qualità di vita

(Conferenza di Edimburgo 1996, medici-pazienti-etici-studenti)

Neuberger J, Hepatology 2013

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# Resezione epatica: Fattori Prognostici

## Portal hypertension:

HVPG < 10 mmHg:

IPLF 0%

5-ys Overall survival 70%

HVPG > 10 mmHg:

Liver decompensation (ascites)

5-ys Overall survival 50%



## MELD:

Validated for:

- 1.Predictor mortality of patient receiving TIPS
- 2.Priority in WL for liver transplant
- 3.Predictor 3 months & 1 years mortality of cirrhotic patient
- 4.Mortality after digestive hemorrhage
- 5.Morbidity & Mortality after surgery (hepatic and non)

## Consequences of portal hypertension:

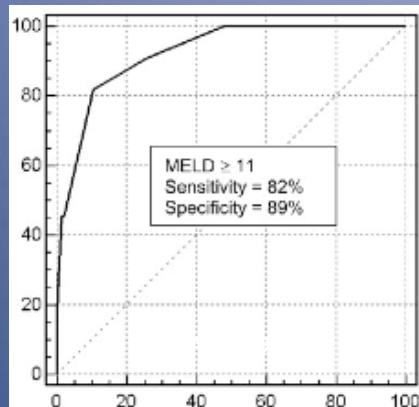
- Splenomegaly
- Abdominal collaterals
- Platelets < 100.000
- Esophageal varices



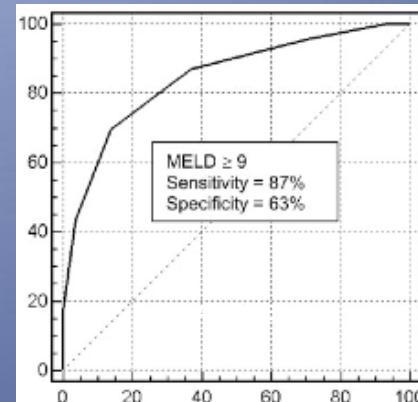
+ 25-28% postoperative death

# Resezione epatica: ruolo del MELD

## Evaluation of MELD impact on prognosis after hepatectomy for HCC



IPLF 7.1%  
with MELD 11  $p$  0.001



Complication 29.9%  
with MELD 9  $p$  0.001

Variables	MELD score <9 (n = 74)	MELD score between 9 and 10 (n = 56)	MELD score ≥11 (n = 24)	P*
Postoperative liver failure	0 (0%)	2 (3.6%)	9 (37.5%)	0.001
Postoperative complications	6 (8.1%)	20 (35.7%)	20 (83.3%)	0.001
Refractory ascites	5 (6.8%)	15 (26.8%)	20 (83.3%)	0.001
Jaundice	2 (2.7%)	10 (17.9%)	19 (79.2%)	0.001
Alteration of coagulation factors	3 (4.1%)	12 (21.4%)	19 (79.2%)	0.001
Renal impairment	0 (0%)	4 (7.1%)	6 (25%)	0.001
Hospital stay (days)	8 (5-38)	9 (6-33)	25 (6-166)	0.001
1-year survival	100%	94%	74%	0.001

# Surgical resection

## Selection criteria

### Indication to extent hepatectomy for HCC on cirrhosis by simple algorithm based on preoperative variables

466 pazienti, multicentrico, retrospettivo, CTP A/B 439/27, MELD 8.9 (>10 17%), Major/Minor (>/up to 2 segm) hepatectomy 58/408

Endpoint: relationship between preoperative characteristics and surgical planning with postoperative morbidity

#### Results

IPLFn 23 (4.9%) → 4 treated by LT  
3-months mortality 4.6%

#### Preoperative predictors of IPLF

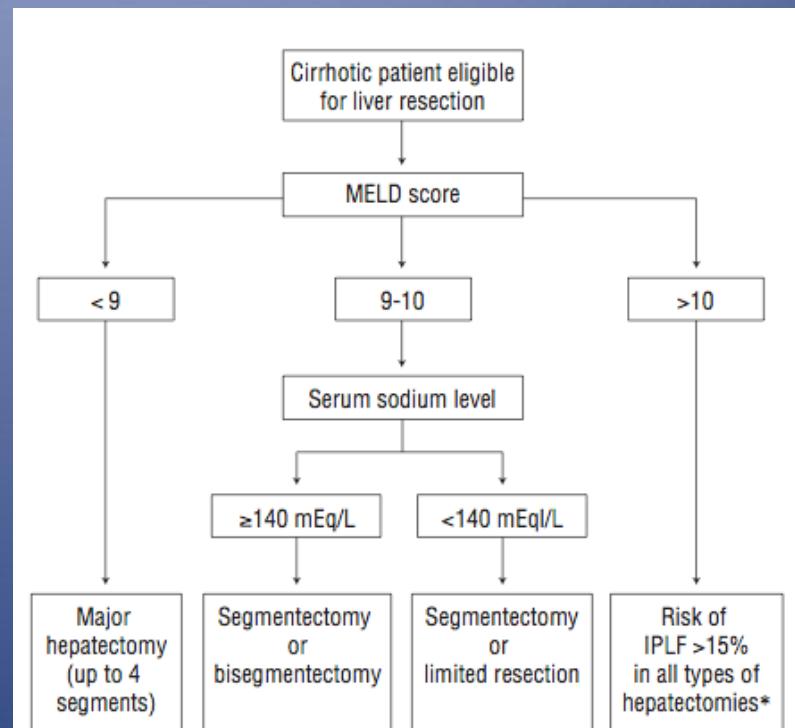
Multivariate analysis  
MELD score ( $p 0.01$ )  
Extent of hepatectomy ( $p 0.01$ )  
Na level ( $p 0.09$ )

#### MELD score and extent of hepatectomy

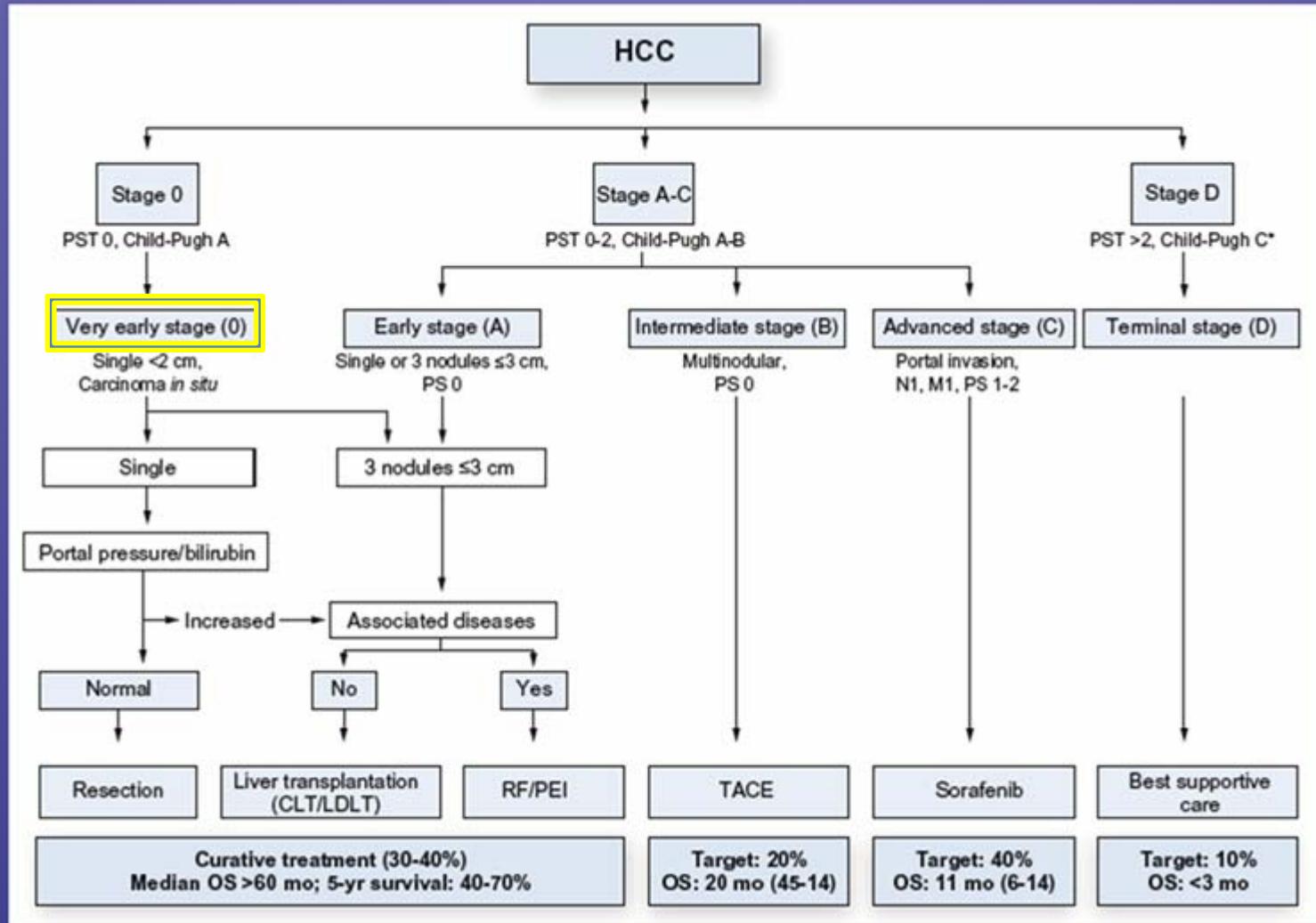
MELD < 9 IPLF 0.4%      ]  $p 0.001$   
MELD 9-10 IPLF 3.8%      ]  $p 0.02$   
MELD >11 IPLF 20.3%

#### Subgroup MELD 9-10

Na level predict IPLF (Sens 100% AUC 0.77)  
Risk of IPLF related to type of hepatectomy  
•< 1 segm 2.5%  
•1-2 segm 9.1%  
•>2 segm 28.6%



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## Management of HCC

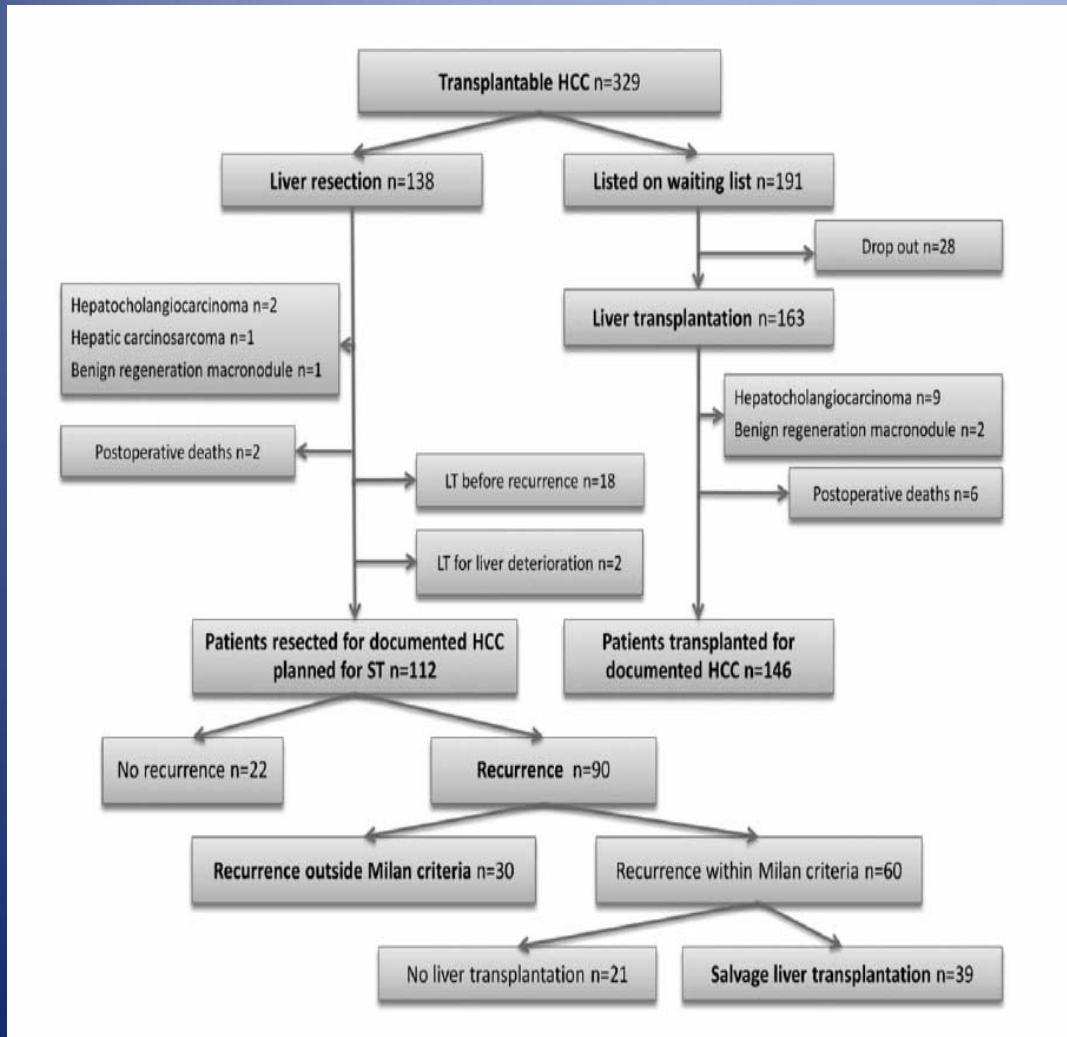
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Pathology examination disclosed microscopic vascular invasion reflecting high risk of recurrence. This prompted the indication of liver transplantation (ab initio indication)

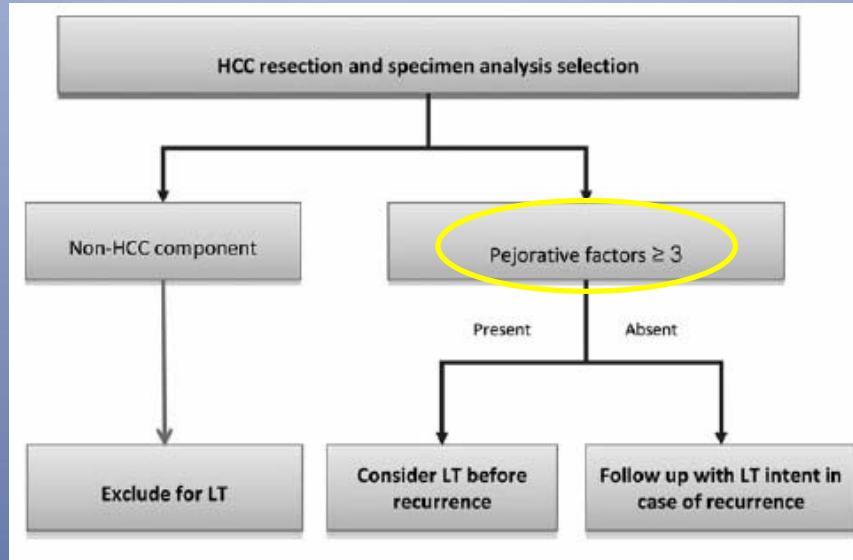
# Salvage Liver Transplantation (SLT)



## SLT:

- 39/138 (28%) intention to treat population
- 39/90 (40%) dei pazienti con recidiva post resezione
- 39/60 (65%) dei pazienti con recidiva Milano In post resezione

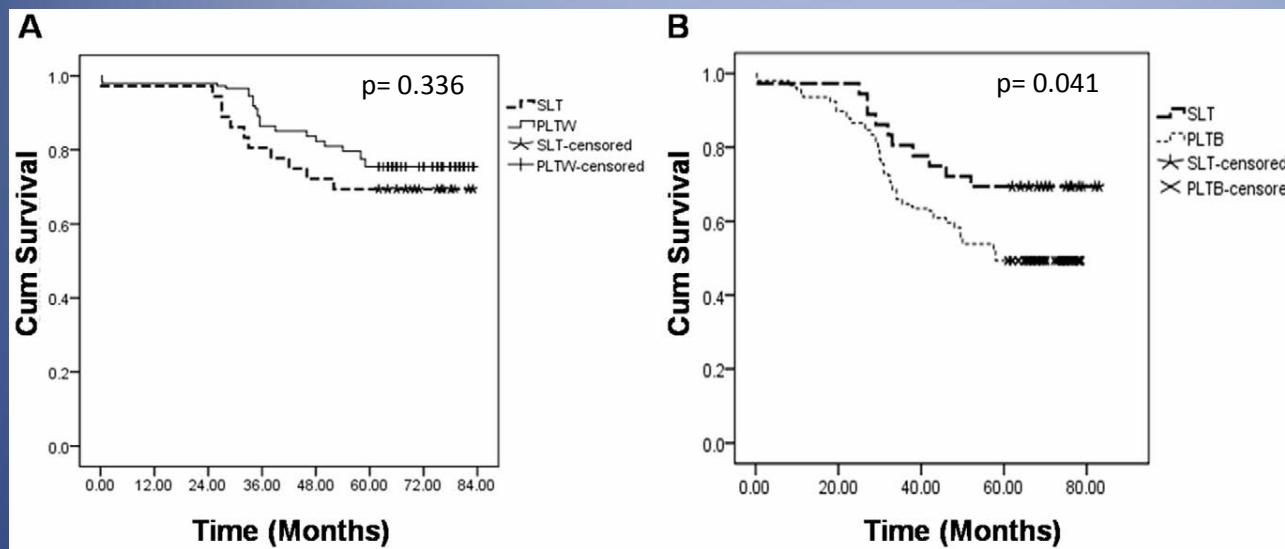
# Salvage Liver Transplantation



	Univariate Analysis			Multivariate Analysis		
	HR	95% CI	P	HR	95% CI	P
Male sex	0.63	0.24-1.63	0.34			
Age > 60 years	3.18	1.46-6.92	0.003	1.78	0.62-5.11	0.28
AFP > 400 ng/mL	1.88	0.87-4.04	0.11			
VHC	0.61	0.27-1.41	0.25			
VHB	1.55	0.67-3.58	0.30			
Chronic alcoholism	0.75	0.29-1.97	0.46			
Cryptogenic	2.05	0.92-4.53	0.07	1.02	0.40-2.57	0.96
Hemochromatosis	0.89	0.12-6.13	0.90			
Presence of cirrhosis	3.12	1.31-7.69	0.01	1.90	1.04-4.01	0.02
Anatomic resection	0.89	0.39-2.04	0.79			
Major resection	0.89	0.47-2.65	0.79			
Diameter > 3 cm	5.30	1.78-15.8	0.002	1.34	1.03-3.12	0.03
Single tumor	1.19	0.68-2.08	0.53			
R0 resection	2.31	0.86-6.19	0.09	3.36	0.74-15.2	0.11
Microscopic vascular invasion	2.2	1.05-4.68	0.003	2.83	1.10-7.29	0.003
Macroscopic vascular invasion	7.1	2.37-21.3	0.0001	2.20	0.90-5.57	0.07
Satellite nodules	5.0	2.39-10.8	0.0001	2.46	1.01-6.68	.04
Poor differentiation	6.0	2.86-12.9	0.0001	3.18	1.31-7.70	0.01

Abbreviations: AFP,  $\alpha$ -fetoprotein; HCC, hepatocellular carcinoma; HR, hazard ratio; MC, Milan criteria; VHB, viral hepatitis B; VHC, viral hepatitis C.

# Salvage Liver Transplantation (SLT= n 36) vs Primary Liver Transplantation (PLT= n 303)



PLTW (n 147): HCC Milano In  
PLTB (n 156): HCC Milano Out

Intervallo tra LR e SLT: 35 mesi (1-63)

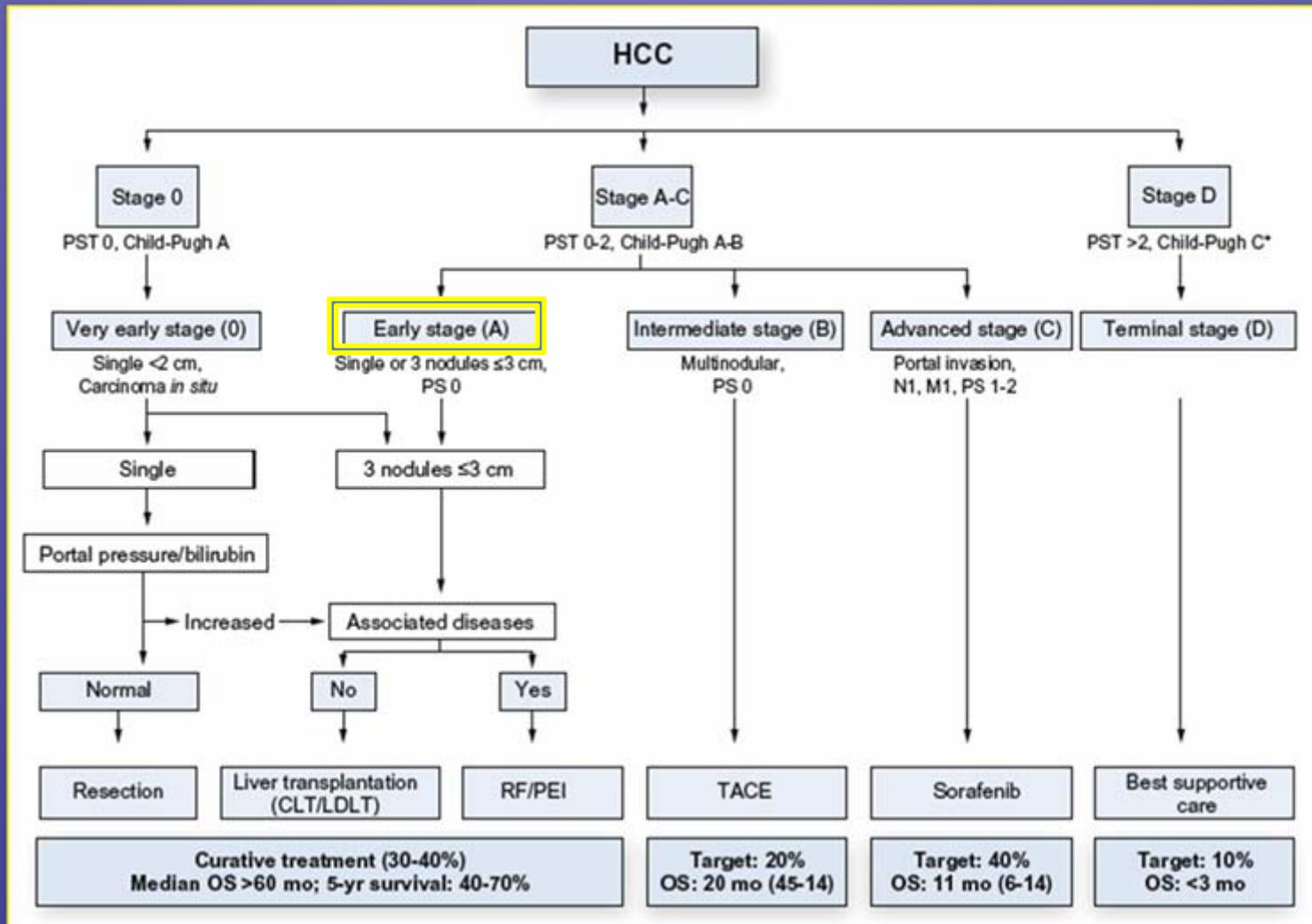
Group	Cases	Follow-up (month)	Recurrence		Overall survival rate (%)			Tumor-free survival rate (%)		
			Rate	time (month)	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs	1 yrs	3 yrs	5 yrs
SLT	36	58.7±20.7	5/36	28.2±15.1	97.2	80.6	69.4	97.1	87.9	74.2
PLTW	147	64.2±18.1	15/147	30.4±11.8	98.0	86.4	75.5	97.9	89.9	80.3
PLTB	156	57.2±33.1	63/156	22.5±14.9	96.2	64.7	48.7	88.5	53.2	33.6
P value			0.065	<0.001	<0.001	0.657	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

# Salvage Liver Transplantation (SLT= n 36) vs Primary Liver Transplantation (PLTW= n 303)

	<b>SLT (n=36)</b>	<b>PLTW (n=147)</b>	<b>t value or <math>\chi^2</math> value</b>	<b>P value</b>
Donor liver cold ischemic time (h)	8.1±2.5	7.4±2.8	1.37	0.127
Anhepatic time (min)	39.6±5.2	38.3±6.9	1.06	0.268
Operative time (min)	340±77	302±81	2.54	0.024*
Application of arterial jump grafts	3	2	5.29	0.021
Roux-n-Y	4	3	6.47	0.011
Intraoperative bleeding volume (ml)	1560±670	1180±910	2.35	0.028*
Intraoperative transfusion volume (ml)	1060±780	820±910	2.02	0.043*
Postoperative ICU time (h)	34±12	29±16	1.76	0.078
Primary graft nonfunction	0	0	-	-
Delayed graft function	1	4	<0.001	0.985
Intra-abdominal bleeding	0	4	1.001	0.317
Infections	2	14	0.571	0.450
Renal failure	1	3	0.073	0.786
Acute rejection	2	15	0.742	0.389
Biliary complications	2	14	0.571	0.450
Vascular complications	0	3	0.747	0.387
Recurrence of hepatitis	0	2	0.495	0.482

Abbreviation: SLT, salvage liver transplantation; PLTW, primary liver transplantation for HCC within Milan criteria; ICU, intensive care unit.

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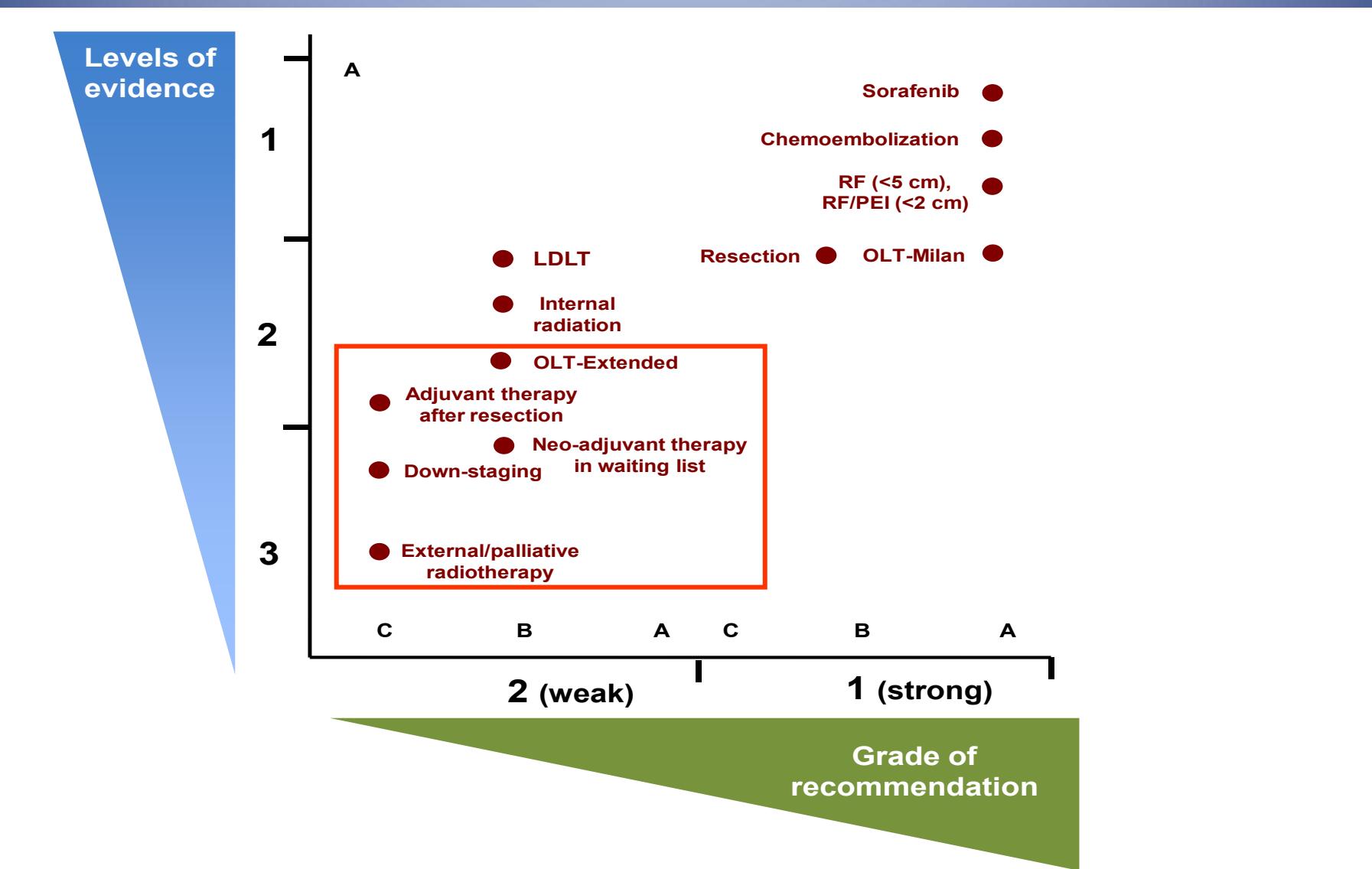


# **Recommendations from the International Consensus Conference on Liver Transplantation for HCC**

## **Criteria for listing candidates with HCC in cirrhotic livers for deceased donor liver transplantation – Milan Criteria**

- The Milan Criteria are currently the benchmark, and the basis for comparison with other suggested criteria. (evidence 2a , Strong)
- A modest expansion of the number of potential candidates may be considered on the basis of several studies showing comparable survival for patients outside the Milan criteria. (evidence 3b, Weak)
- Patients with worse prognosis may be considered for LT outside the Milan criteria if the dynamics of the waiting list allow it without undue prejudice to other recipients with a better prognosis. ( no evidence, Weak)

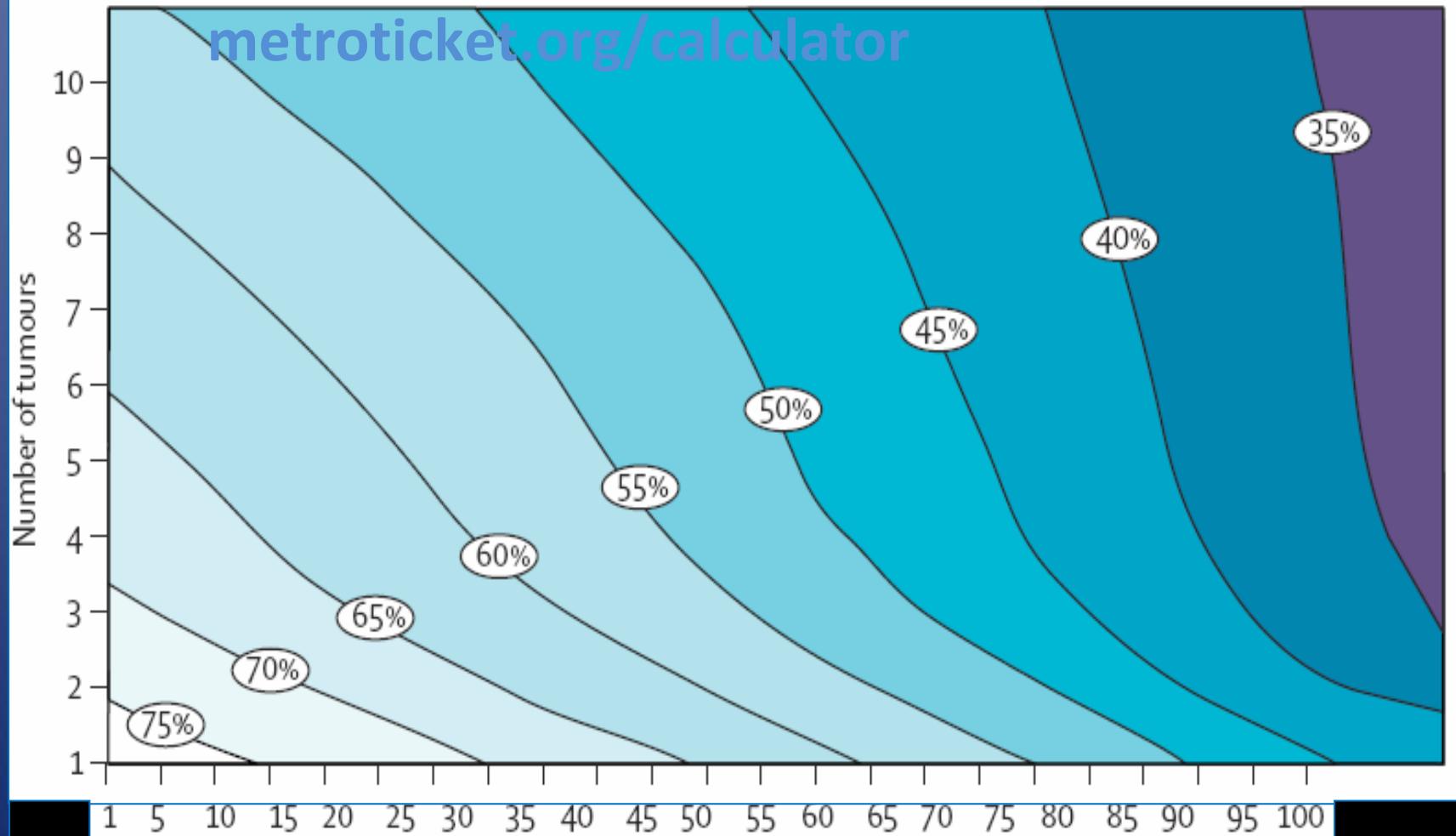
# Representation of EASL-EORTC 2011 recommendations for treatment according to levels of evidence (NCI classification) and strength of recommendation (GRADE system).



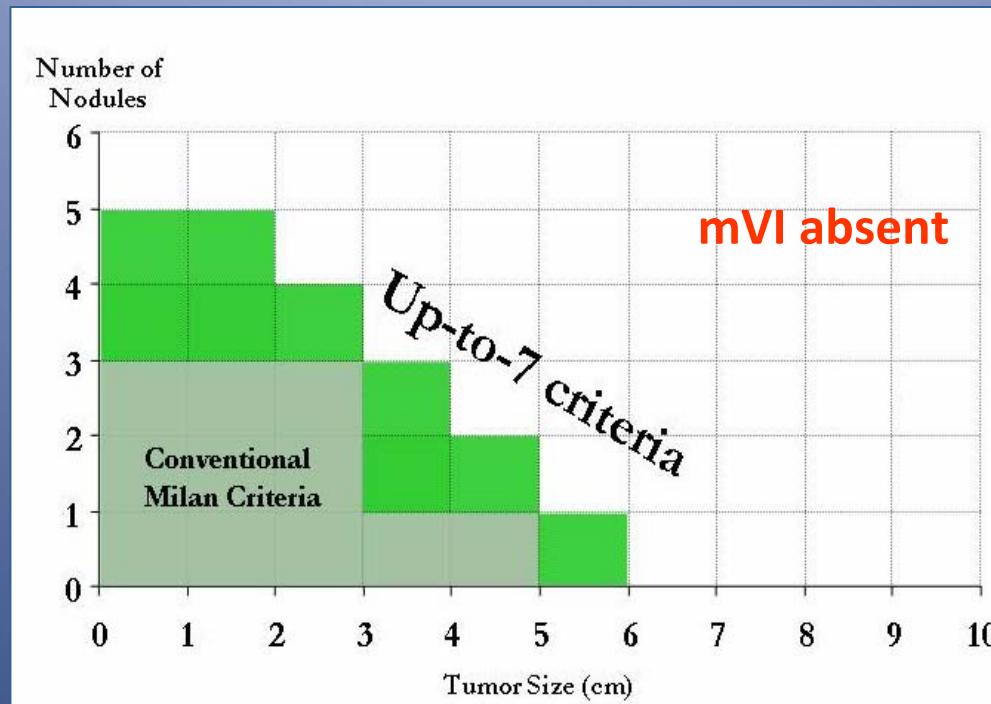
# Individualization of prognosis in patients with HCC

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metroticket.org/calculator](http://www.hcc-olt-metroticket.org/calculator)

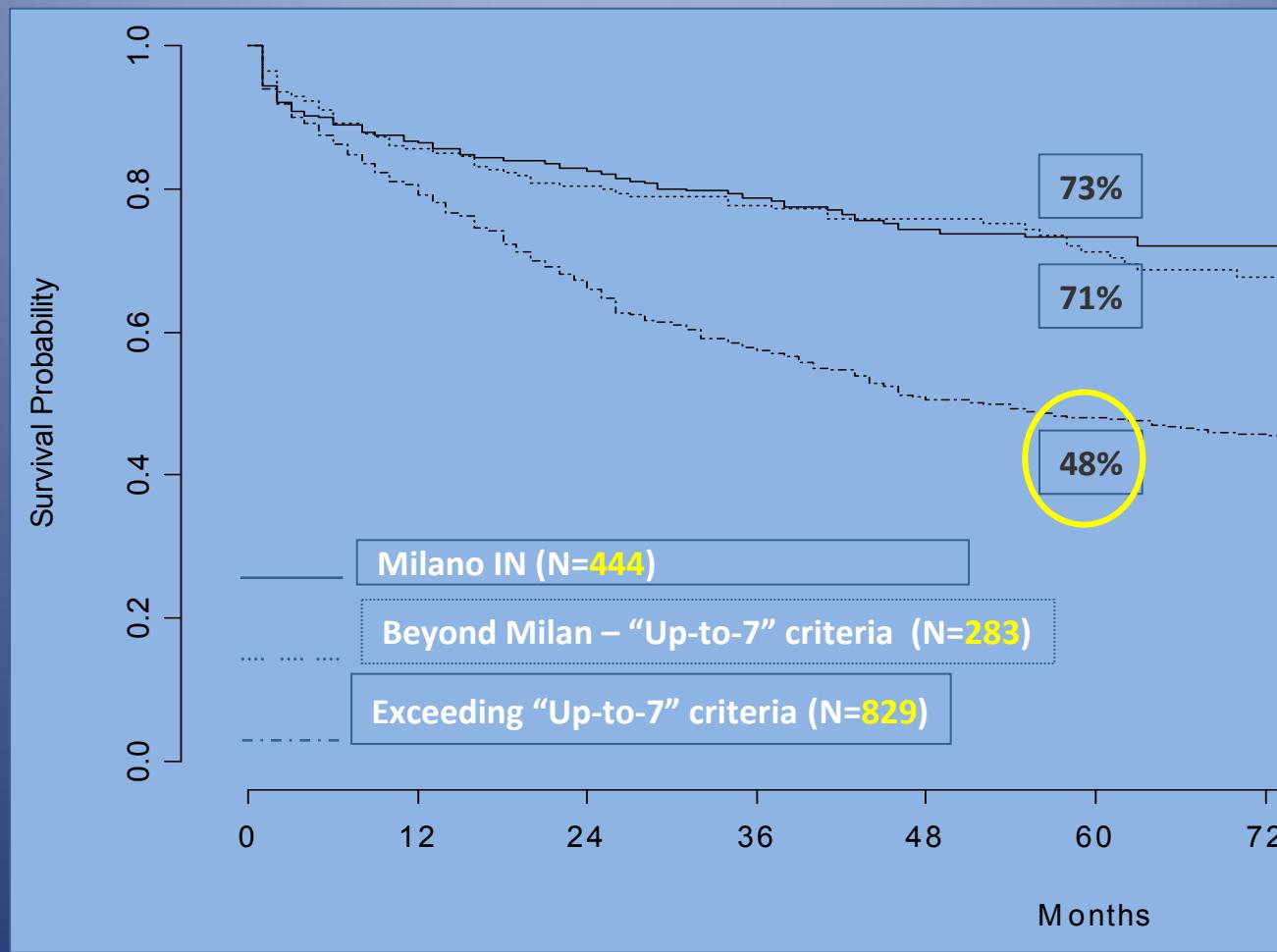


## The “up-to-7 Criteria”



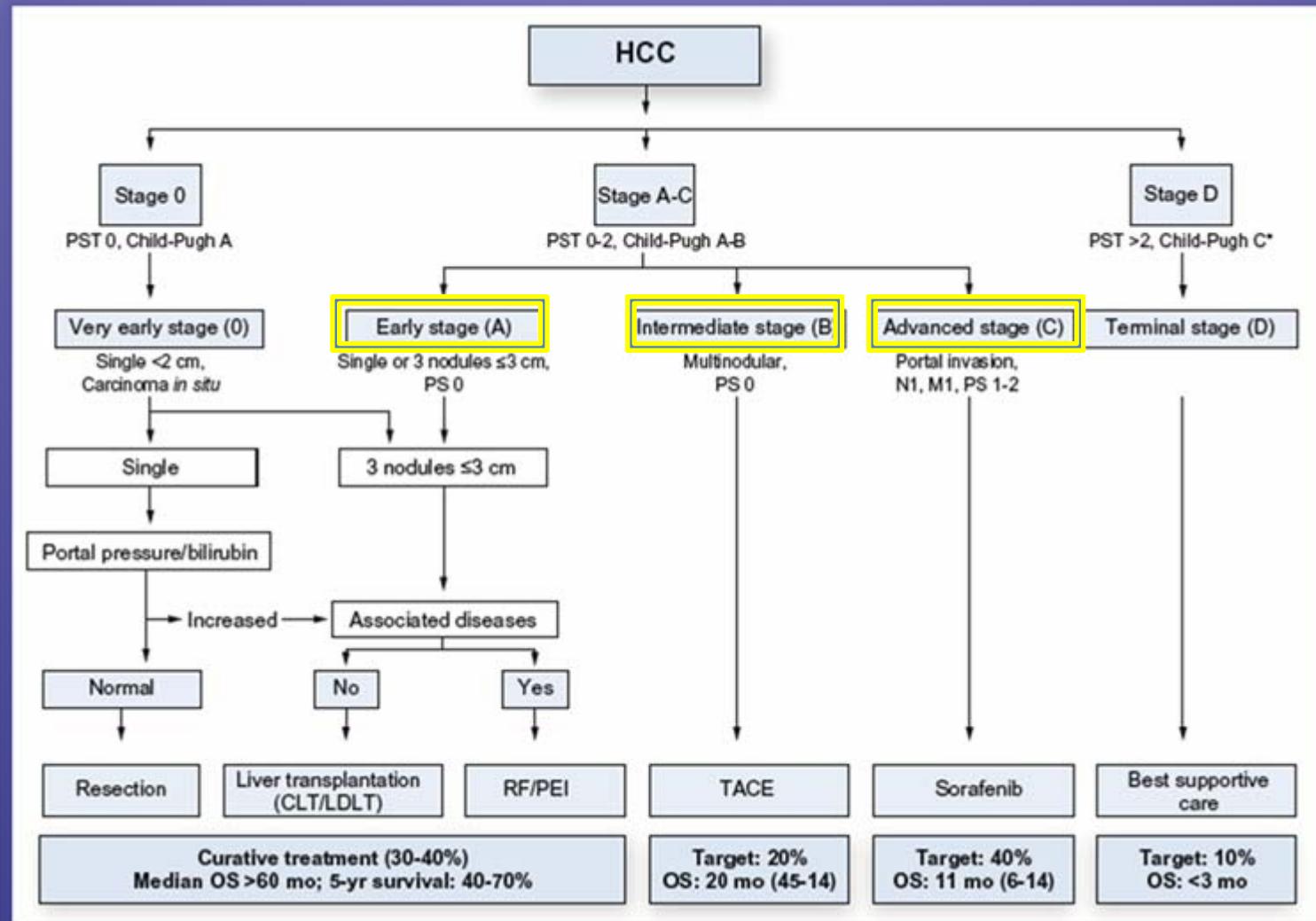
The “up-to-7” criteria could be a good starting point for prospective clinical trials on expansion of Milan Criteria

# Unacceptable survival (< 50%) beyond the “up-to-7 Criteria”



[Mazzaferro, Lancet Oncology 2009]

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## STAGE A (EARLY HCC)

### Ruolo della resezione:

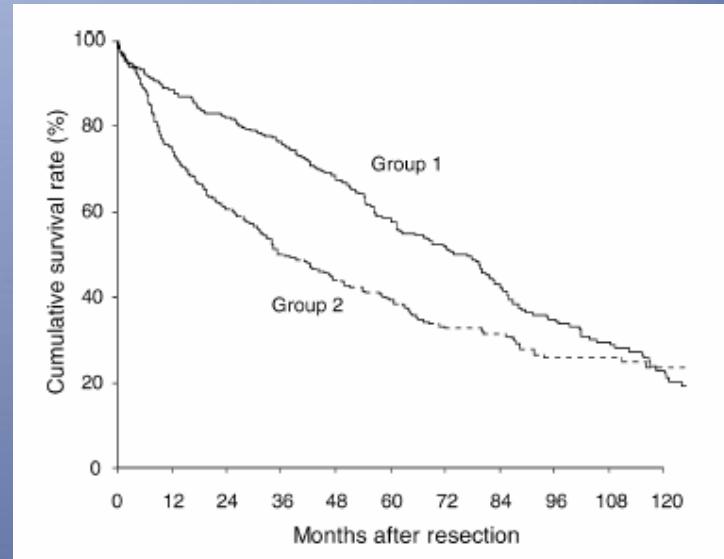
- cirrosi epatica ben compensata (CHILD A) → mortalità perioperatoria 5-10%
- MELD < 9 → mortalità perioperatoria 0%
- sopravvivenza a 5 anni: 45-50%
- nei pazienti liberi da recidiva di HCC la sopravvivenza a 5 anni: 80%
- al contrario del trapianto che cura l'epatopatia sottostante, la resezione elimina la neoplasia
- selezionare paziente a basso rischio di recidiva HCC → cirrosi HBV e cirrosi non epatitica
- scelta primaria giustificata se il trapianto salvataggio viene effettuato nei casi di pazienti con recidiva neoplastica
- terapia «PONTE» al trapianto al fine di prolungare il tempo di inserimento in lista secondario alla scarsità di organi
- terapia «PONTE» al trapianto migliore rispetto ai trattamenti locoregionali → caratteristiche anatomicopatologiche dell'HCC e del parenchima epatico circostante

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## STAGE B (INTERMEDIATE HCC)

Sopravvivenza cumulativa in resezione per Early HCC  
(Gruppo 1) vs Intermediate HCC (Gruppo 2)

Variable	Median survival (mo)	P value
Hepatitis B surface antigen carrier		
No (n = 99)	46.9	.03
Yes (n = 281)	32.1	
Serum alfa fetoprotein <sup>a</sup> (ng/mL)		
≤ 222.5 (n = 211)	45.5	.01
> 222.5 (n = 169)	25.4	
Symptomatic disease		
No (n = 170)	30.9	<.001
Yes (n = 210)	25.7	
Presence of cirrhosis		
No (n = 279)	42.3	.01
Yes (n = 101)	25.3	
No. of tumor nodules		
Solitary (n = 308)	46.9	<.001
Multinodular (n = 72)	14.3	
Microvascular tumor invasion		
No (n = 180)	63.8	<.001
Yes (n = 200)	23.1	
Tumor invasion of adjacent organs		
No (n = 349)	41.6	.003
Yes (n = 31)	16.1	
Histological margin involvement by tumor		
No (n = 356)	42.2	<.001
Yes (n = 24)	12.9	



Fattori prognostici di sopravvivenza post resezione epatica:

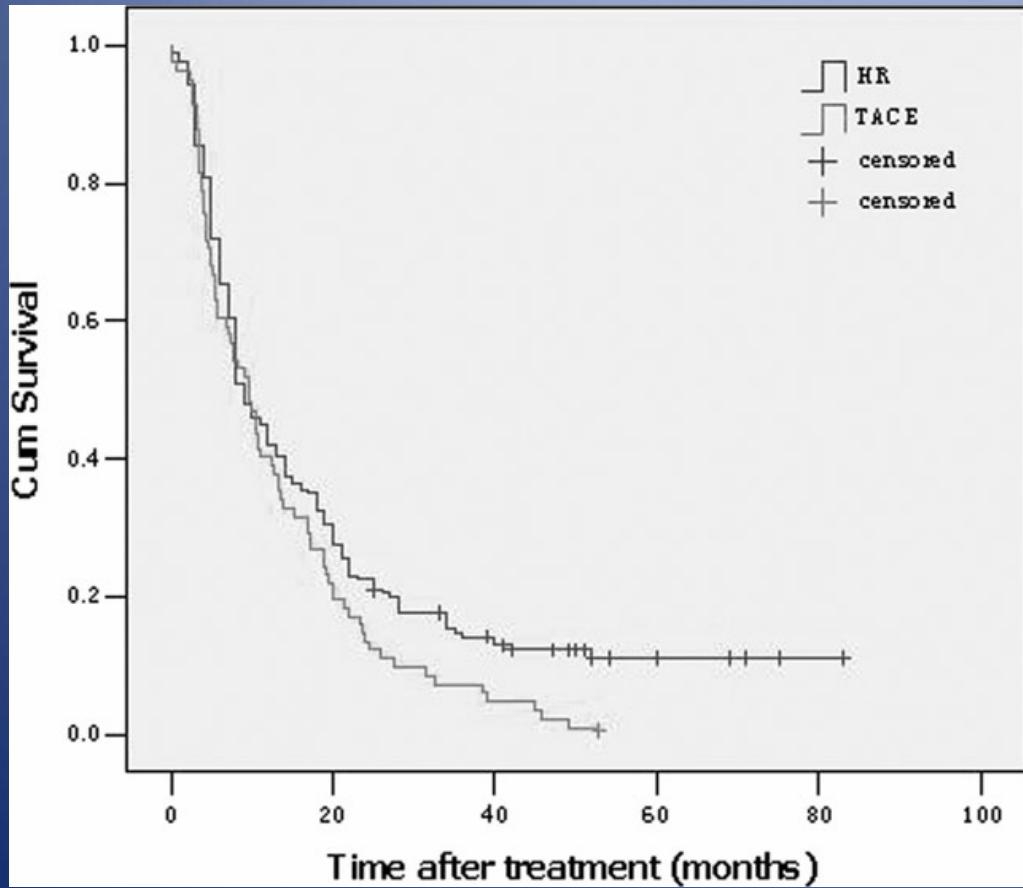
0 → 58% sopravvivenza a 5 anni (come in early HCC)

1-2 → 37% sopravvivenza a 5 anni (in post TACE 28% a 3 anni sec. EASL)

≥ 3 → 17% sopravvivenza a 5 anni (gruppo con peggiore outcome post resezione)

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## STAGE C (ADVANCED HCC)

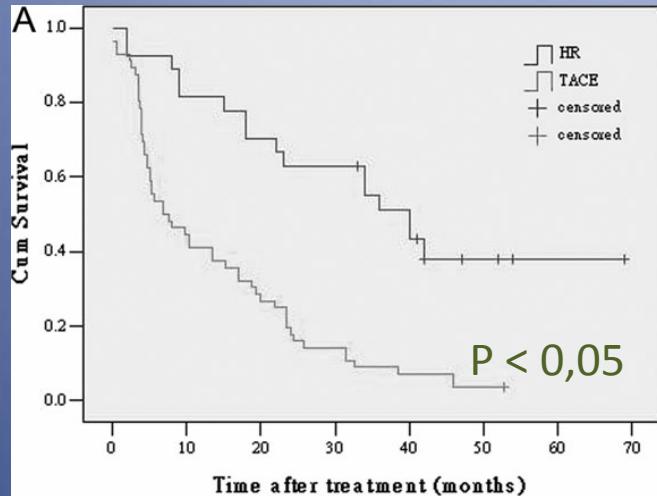


HR 1,3,5 anni 42, 14,11%  
TACE 1,3,5 anni 37,7.3, 0.5%  
 $P <0.001$

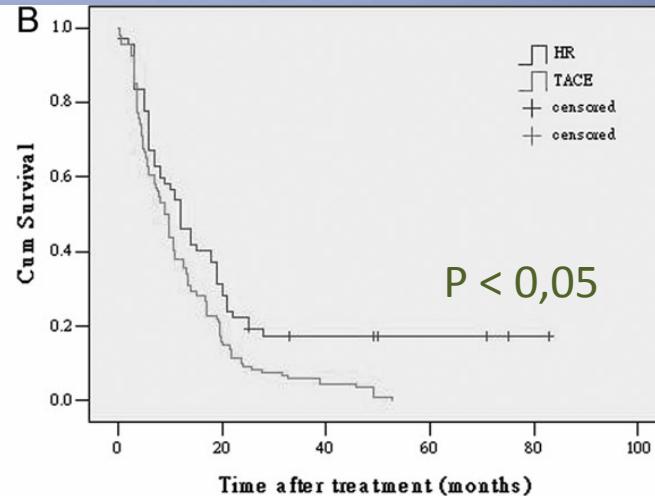
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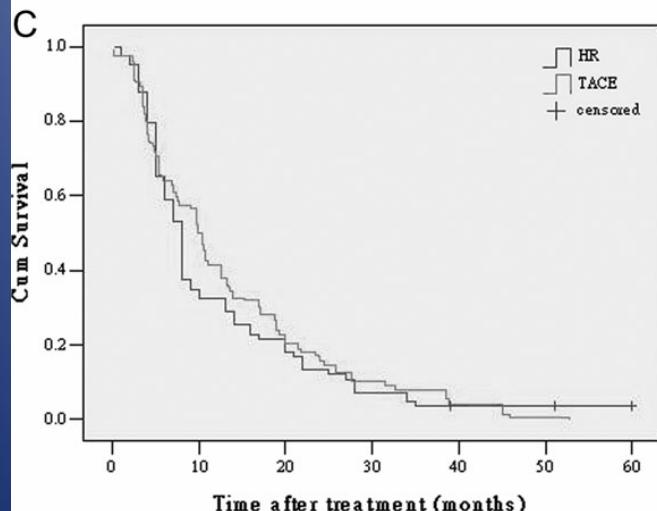
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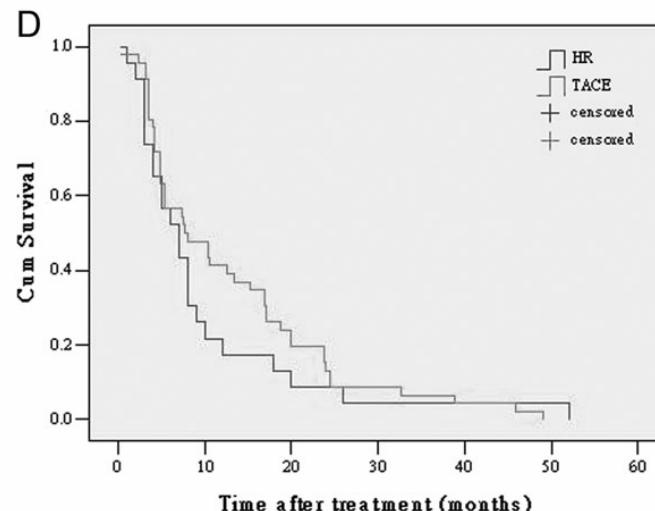
PVT tipo 2



PVT tipo 3



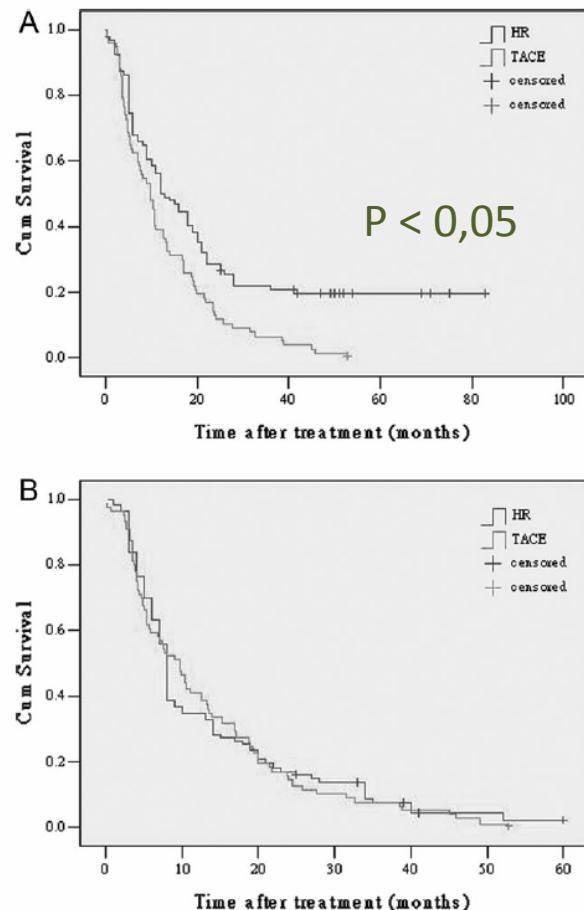
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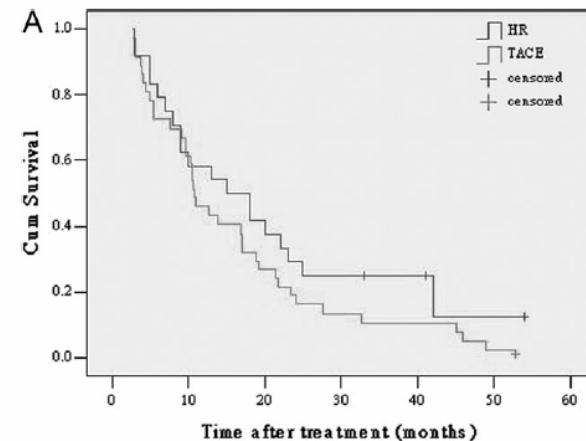
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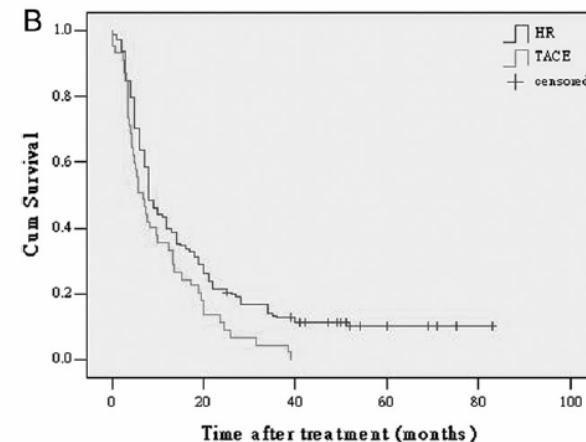
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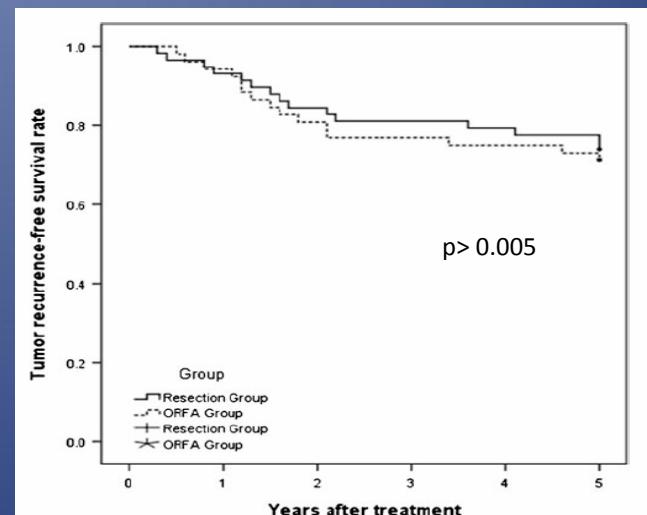
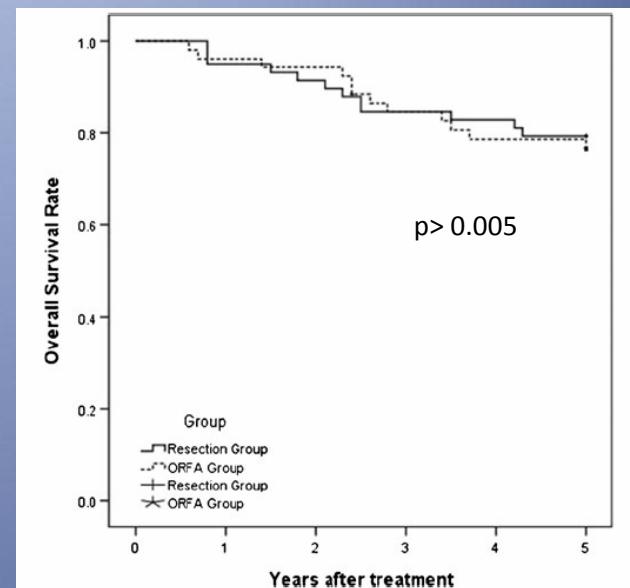






# Terapie combinate resezione epatica vs open RF (ORFA) per HCC Milano IN post TACE

	LR Group 58	ORFA Group 52	P Value
Operative time (h)	4.8±1.1	3.9±0.9	0.000
Blood loss (ml)	327.6±163.3	120.0±60.6	0.000
Blood transfusion (yes/no)	5/53	1/51	0.124
Length of stay (days)	10.6±4.5	7.3±2.7	0.000
Hospitalization costs	8454.0±3734.9	5882.0±2223.0	0.000
Complications			0.090
Grade I	4	3	
Bile leak	1	0	
Wound infection	1	1	
Pleural effusion	1	2	
Intestinal obstruction	1	0	
Grade II	5	2	
Postoperative hemorrhage	2	0	
Wound infection	1	1	
Pneumonia	1	1	
Bile leak	1	0	
Grade IIIa	2	0	
Pleural effusion	1	0	
Bile leak	1	0	
Grade IIIb	3	2	
Intraperitoneal hemorrhage	2	1	
Gastrointestinal bleeding	1	0	
Biloma	0	1	
Grade IVa	1	0	
Hepatic failure	1	0	
Grade IVb	0	0	
Grade V	0	0	





# Absolute contraindications to liver transplant

## Macrovascular invasion

### Liver Resection Versus Transplantation for Hepatocellular Carcinoma in Cirrhotic Patients

Henri Bismuth, M.D., F.A.C.S. (Hon), Laurence Chiche, M.D., René Adam, M.D.,  
Denis Castaing, M.D., Tom Diamond, M.D., F.R.C.S., and Ashley Dennison, M.D., F.R.C.S.



Portal thrombosis (main branches) is significantly associated with a dismal prognosis (20% at 3 years)

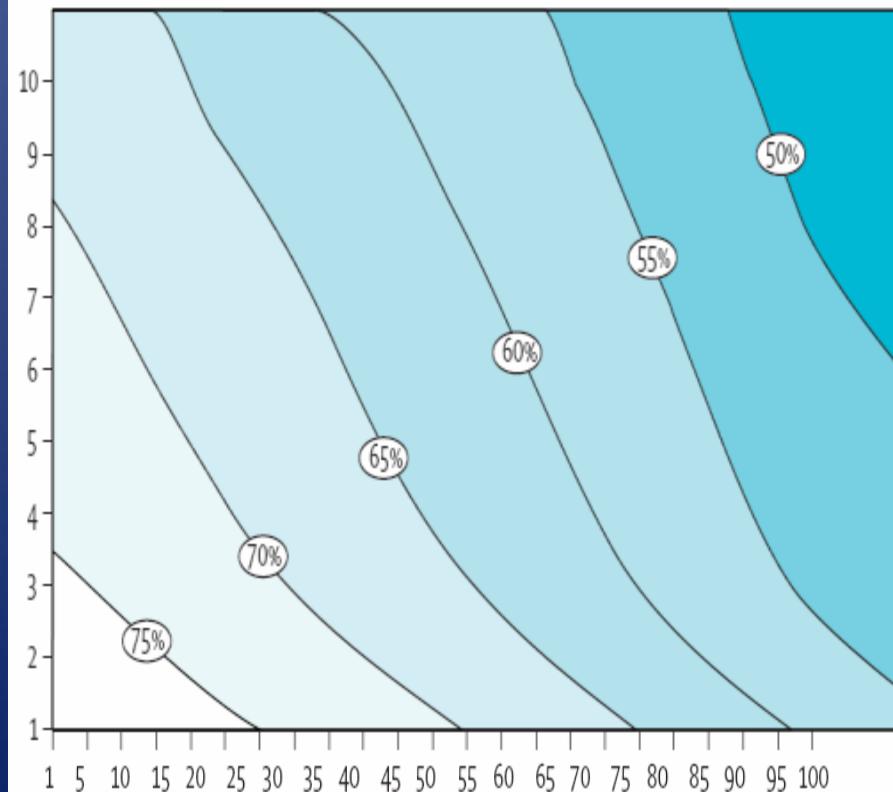
[Bismuth H, Ann Surg 1993]

# The role of pathological features: mVI

Influence of micro-Vascular Invasion on patient outcome

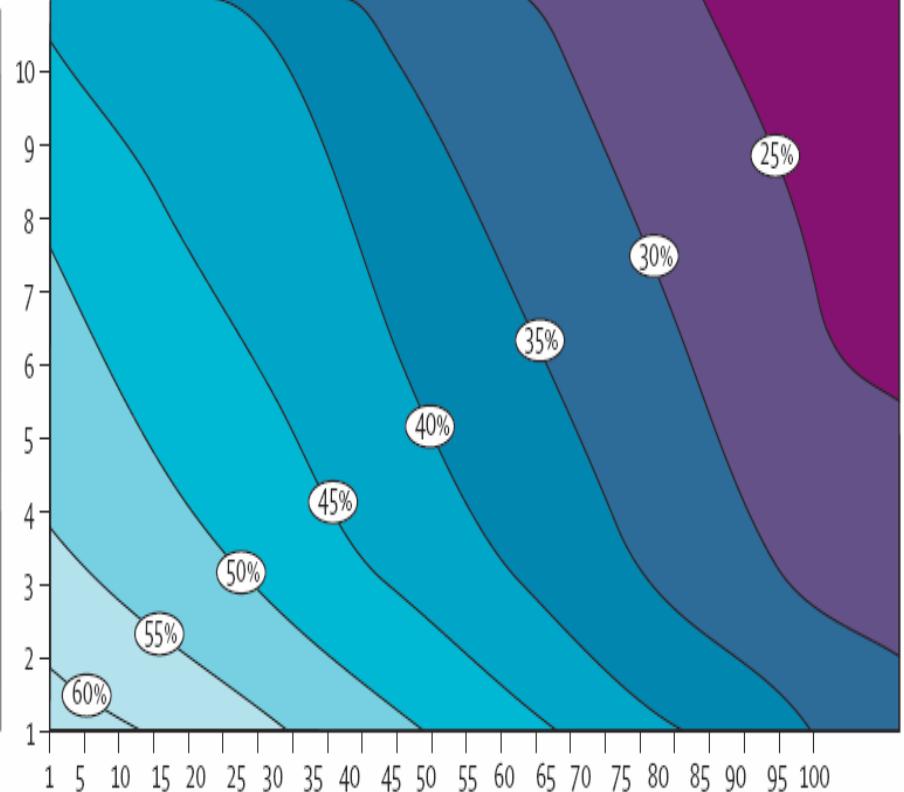
Absent

B [www.hcc-olt-metroticket.org/calculator](http://www.hcc-olt-metroticket.org/calculator)



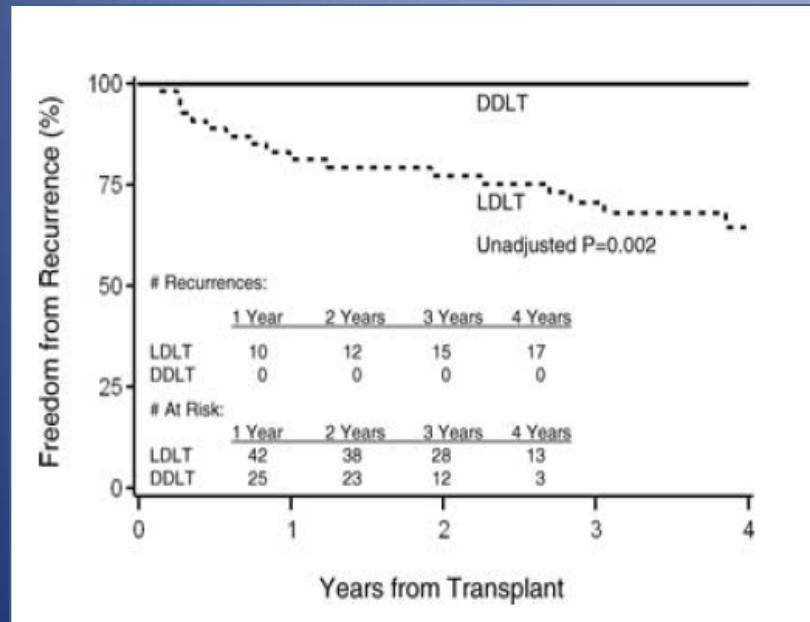
Present

C



[Mazzaferro et al, Lancet Oncology 2009]

# Fast track effect in LDLT for HCC: transforming potential drop-outs into recurrences



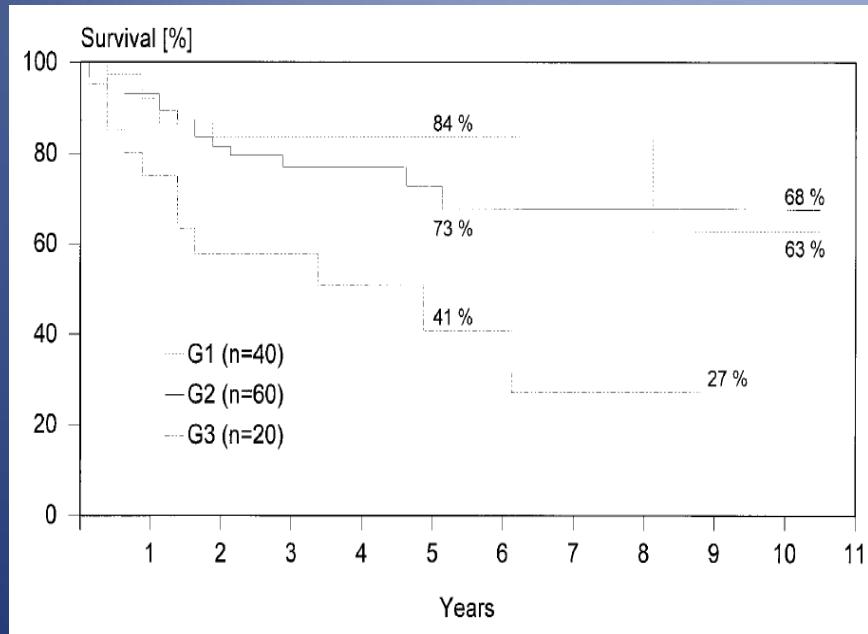
High recurrence-rate may be observed in patients with biologically aggressive tumor, whose drop-out from the list because of tumor progression may be prevented by the prompt availability of the graft.

- Mean waiting time: 160 vs 469 days ( $p<.0001$ )
- Median follow-up: 4 vs 3.4 years ( $p<.05$ )
- Recurrence rate: 29% vs 0 ( $p=.002$ )

[Fisher et al, Am J Transplant 2007]

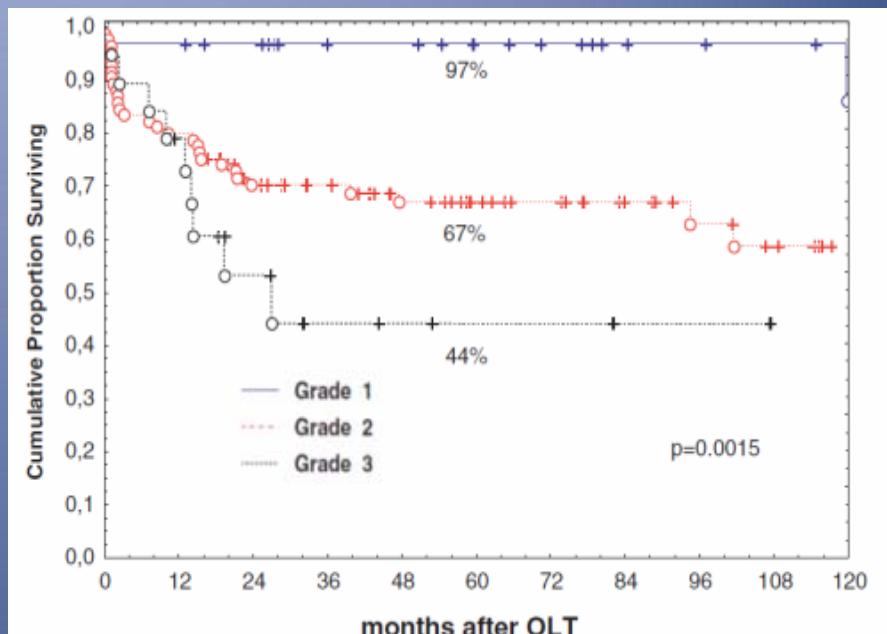
# The role of pathological features: grading

120 patients – 86.5% within MC



[Jonas S, Hepatology 2001]

155 patients – 84% within MC

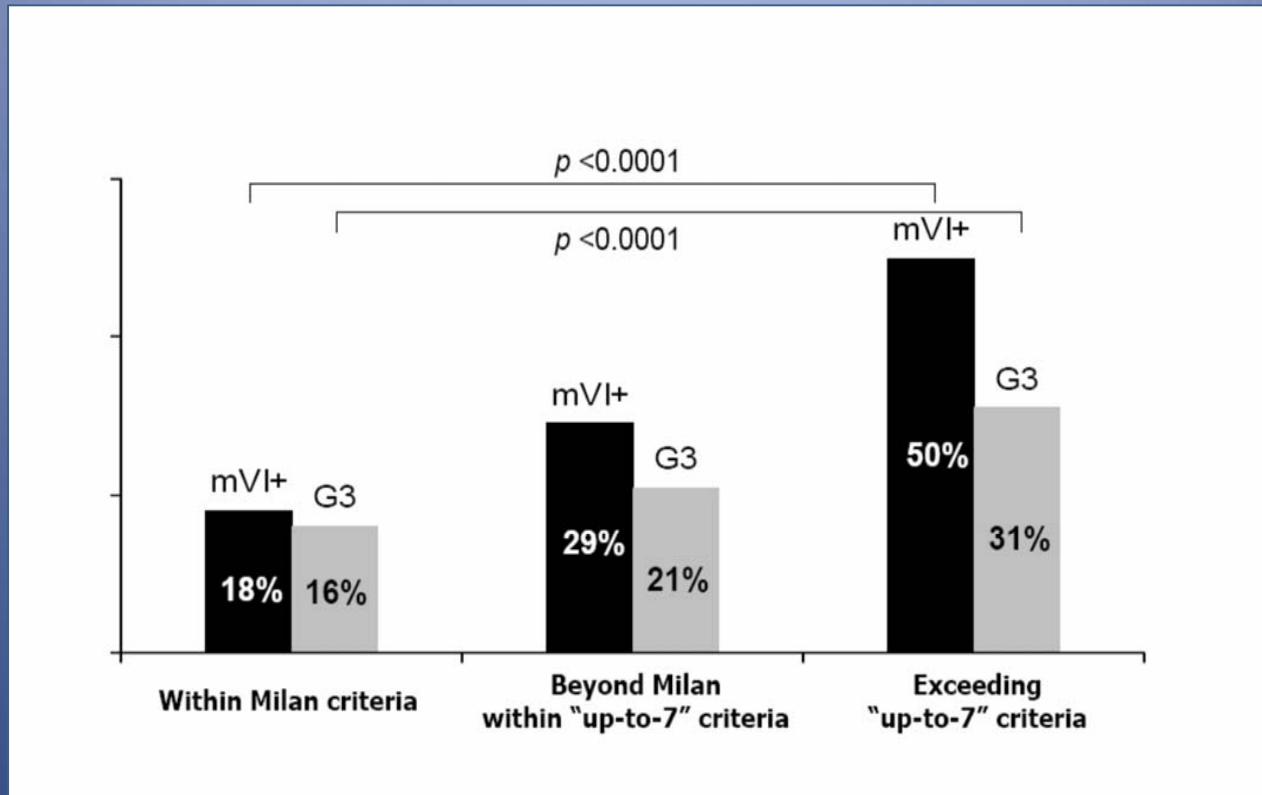


[Zavaglia C, Am J Gastroenterol 2005]

Overall survival for G3 HCC is inferior to 50% at 5 yrs

# The role of pathological features

Correlation mVI and grading among size-and-number categories



A significant increment of G3 parallels the size/number grouping and incidence of mVI

[Mazzaferro, Lancet Oncology 2009]



# Stadiazione dell'HCC su cirrosi

## EASL conference – 2012; AASLD guidelines – 2012



Tumor characteristics

(n° and size of nodules, vascular invasion)

Patient general health condition

Liver function

Treatment efficacy

## BCLC staging system

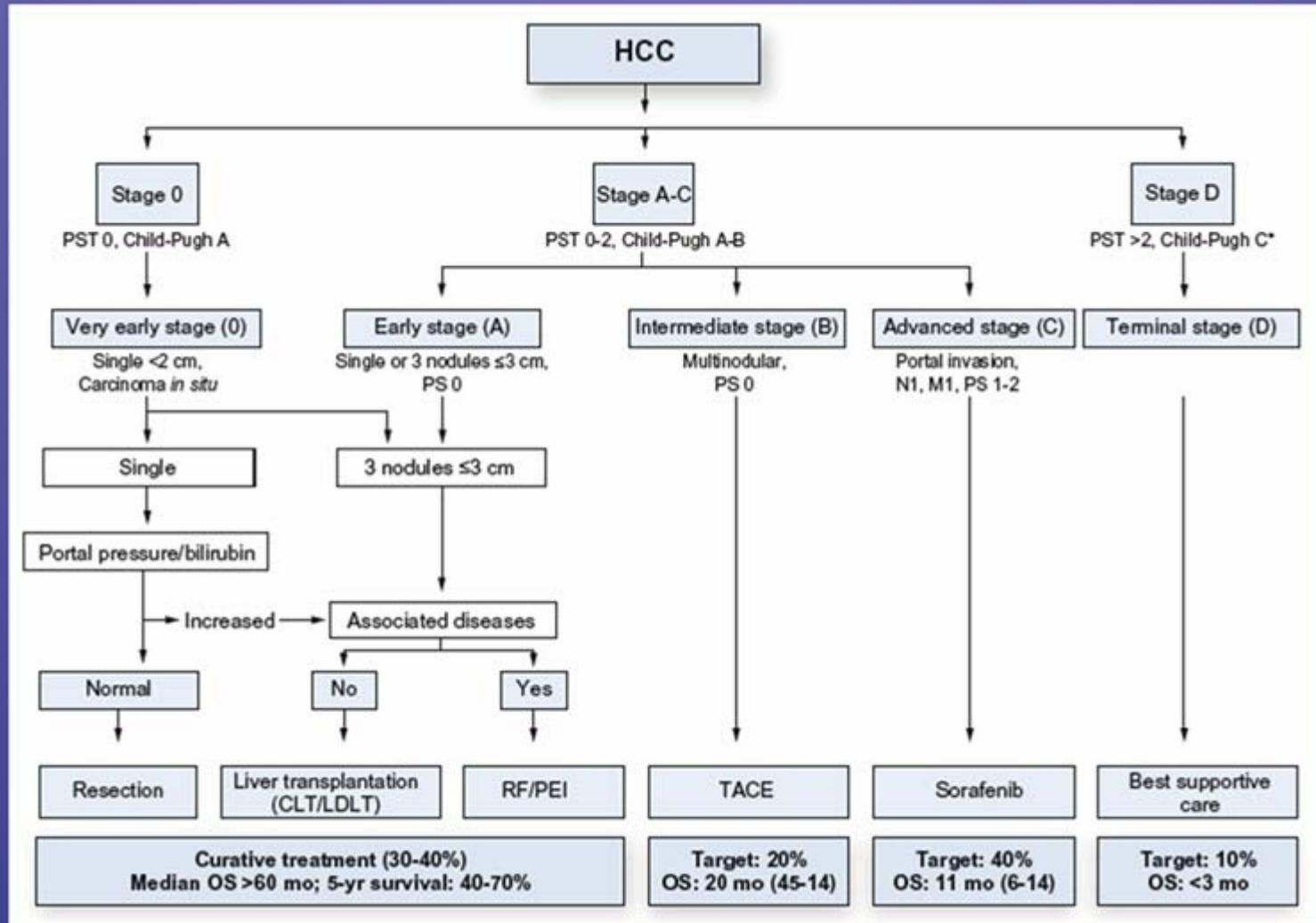
STAGE Treatment efficacy	PST	TUMOR STATUS Tumor stage	Okuda	LIVER FUNCTION
<b>Very early HCC</b>	0	Single < 2cm	I	No CRPH / Bil.N
<b>Early stage HCC</b>	0 0 0	Single Single 3 nodules ≤ 3 cm	I I I - II	CRPH/ bil. N CRPH/ bil. Child A-B
<b>intermediate HCC</b>	0	Multinodular	I-II	Child A-B
<b>Advanced HCC</b>	1-2	Vascular invasion or extrahepatic spread	I-II	Child C
<b>End stage HCC</b>	3-4	Any	III	Child C

# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

## STAGE 0 (VERY EARLY HCC)

- Singola neoplasia con diametro < 2 cm
- Assenza di invasione vascolare/satellitosi
- Child A
- Sopravvivenza a 5 anni:
  - per resezione e Trapianto → 80-90%
  - per ablazione locale → 70%

# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

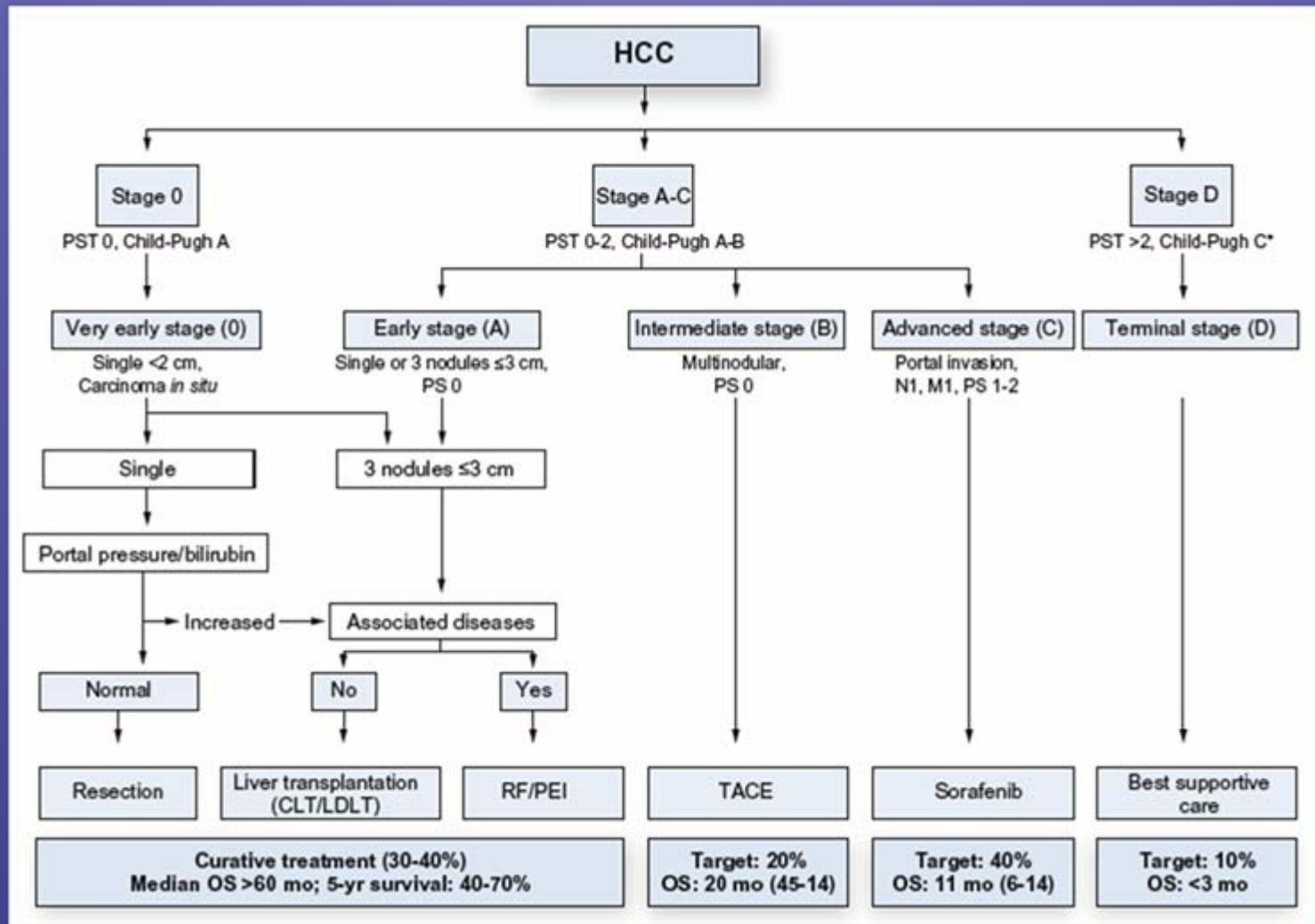


# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

## STAGE A (EARLY HCC)

- Singola neoplasia con diametro  $\geq 2$  cm o 3 noduli con diametro  $< 3$  cm
- Child A/B
- Sopravvivenza mediana senza alcun trattamento: 36 mesi
- Sopravvivenza a 5 anni per resezione, Trapianto o ablazione locale → 50-70%
- TUMOR STATUS: dimensioni del nodulo maggiore e multicentricità (singolo nodulo 2-5 cm, 3 noduli  $\leq 3$  cm)
- Predittori di sopravvivenza post resezione per neoplasia singola: grado di ipertensione portale e bilirubinemia nella norma
- Predittori di sopravvivenza post ablazione locale: Child A
- Predittori di sopravvivenza post Trapianto: Criteri di Milano per HCC

# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

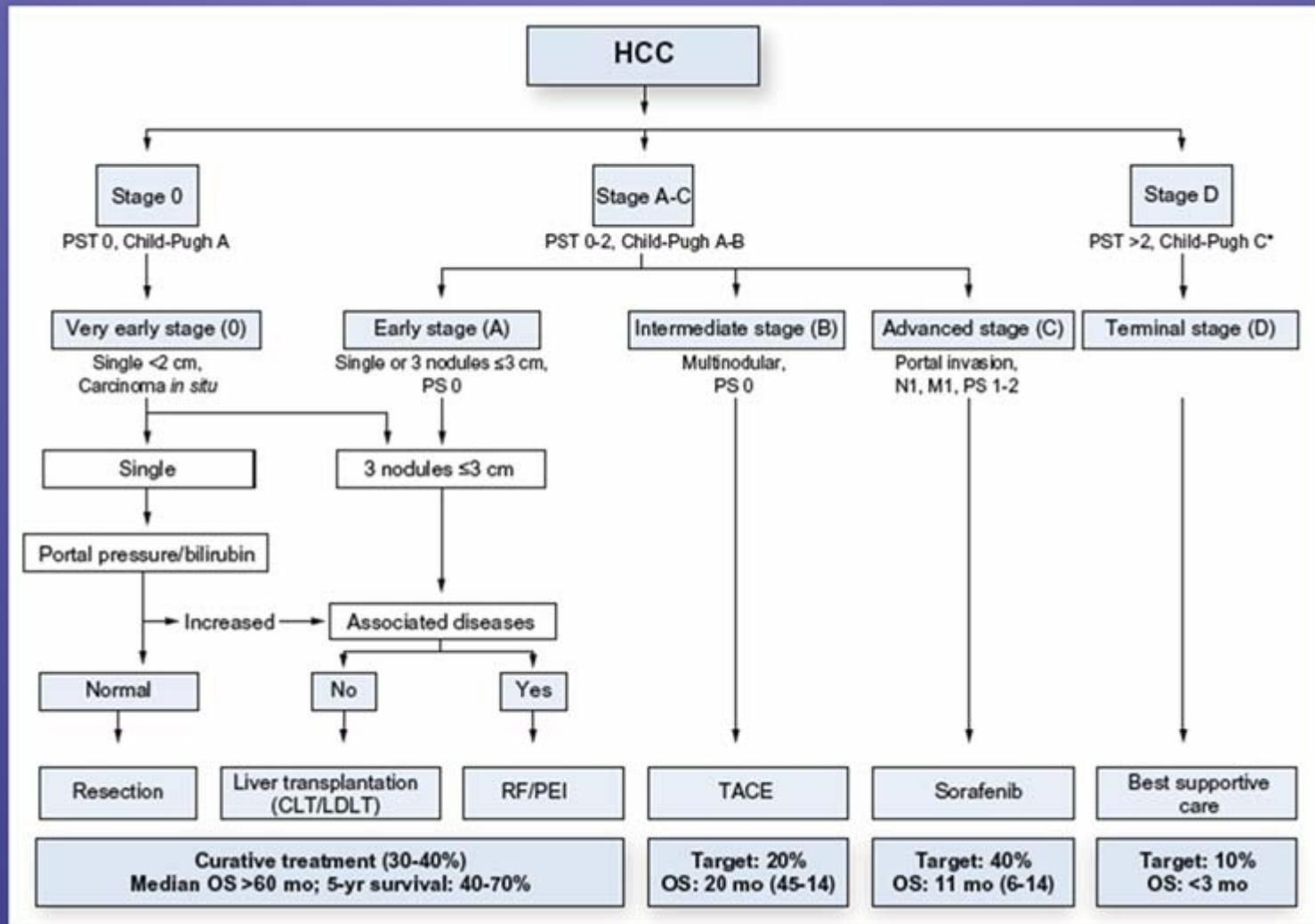


# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

## STAGE B (INTERMEDIATE HCC)

- Neoplasia multinodulare in paziente asintomatico
- Child A/B
- Sopravvivenza mediana senza trattamento → 16 mesi o 49% a 2 anni
- Sopravvivenza mediana con trattamento → aumento della sopravvivenza mediana di 19-20 mesi, MA :
  - se buone risposta a TACE: sopravvivenza mediana → 36-45 mesi
  - se pessima risposta a TACE: sopravvivenza mediana → 11 mesi
- Sopravvivenza mediana se in terapia con Sorafenib → 14.7 mesi
- Predittori di sopravvivenza post TACE: presenza di ascite

# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

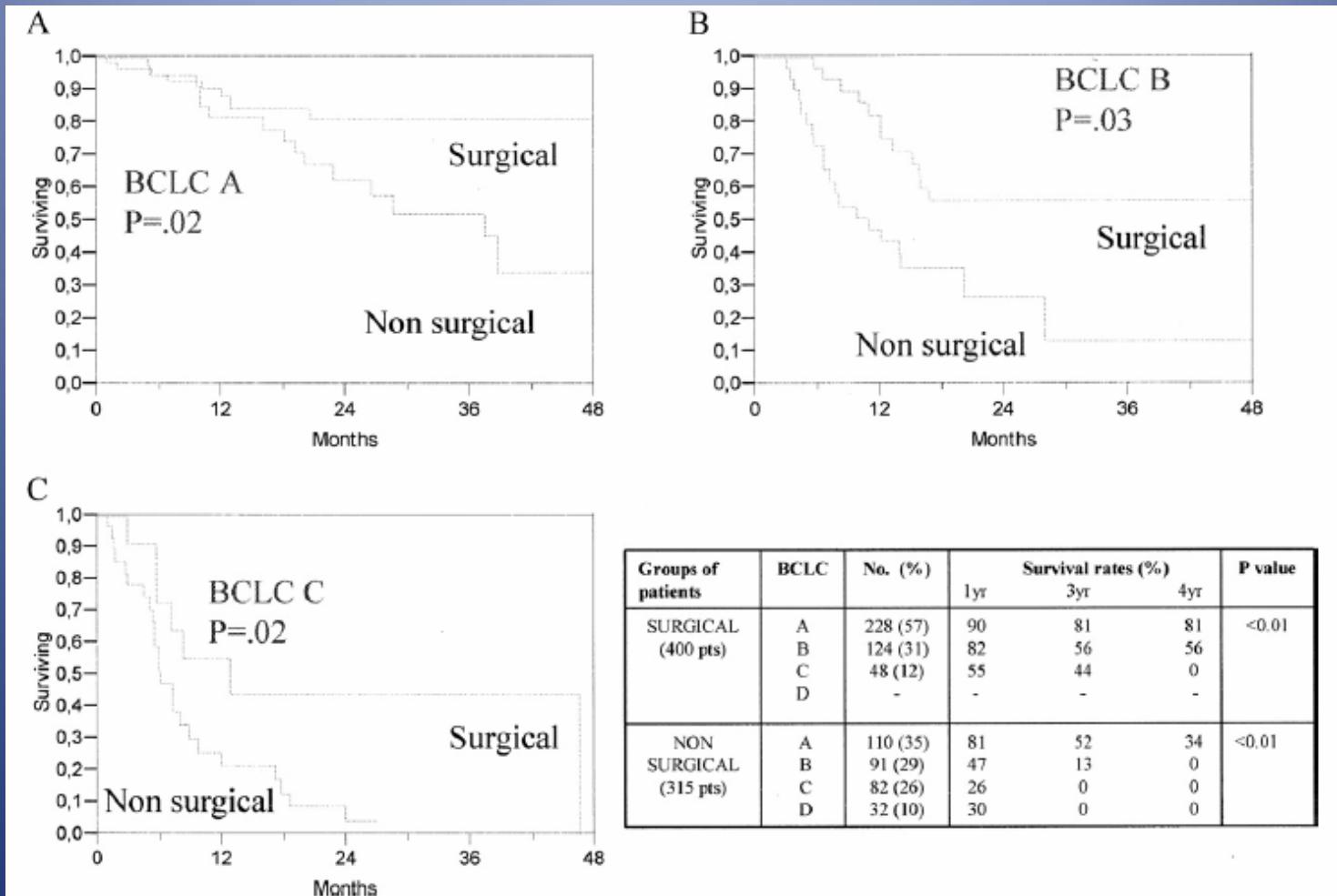


# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

## STAGE C (ADVANCED HCC)

- Neoplasia multinodulare in paziente sintomatico
- Invasione macrovascolare (vasi portali) o extraepatica (MTS linfonodale o a distanza)
- Child A/B
- Sopravvivenza mediana → 6 mesi (+/- 1 mese se Child A oppure B) o 25% a 1 anni
- Sopravvivenza mediana se in terapia con Sorafenib → 9.5 mesi

# Ruolo della Chirurgia come ruolo prognostico nella BCLC



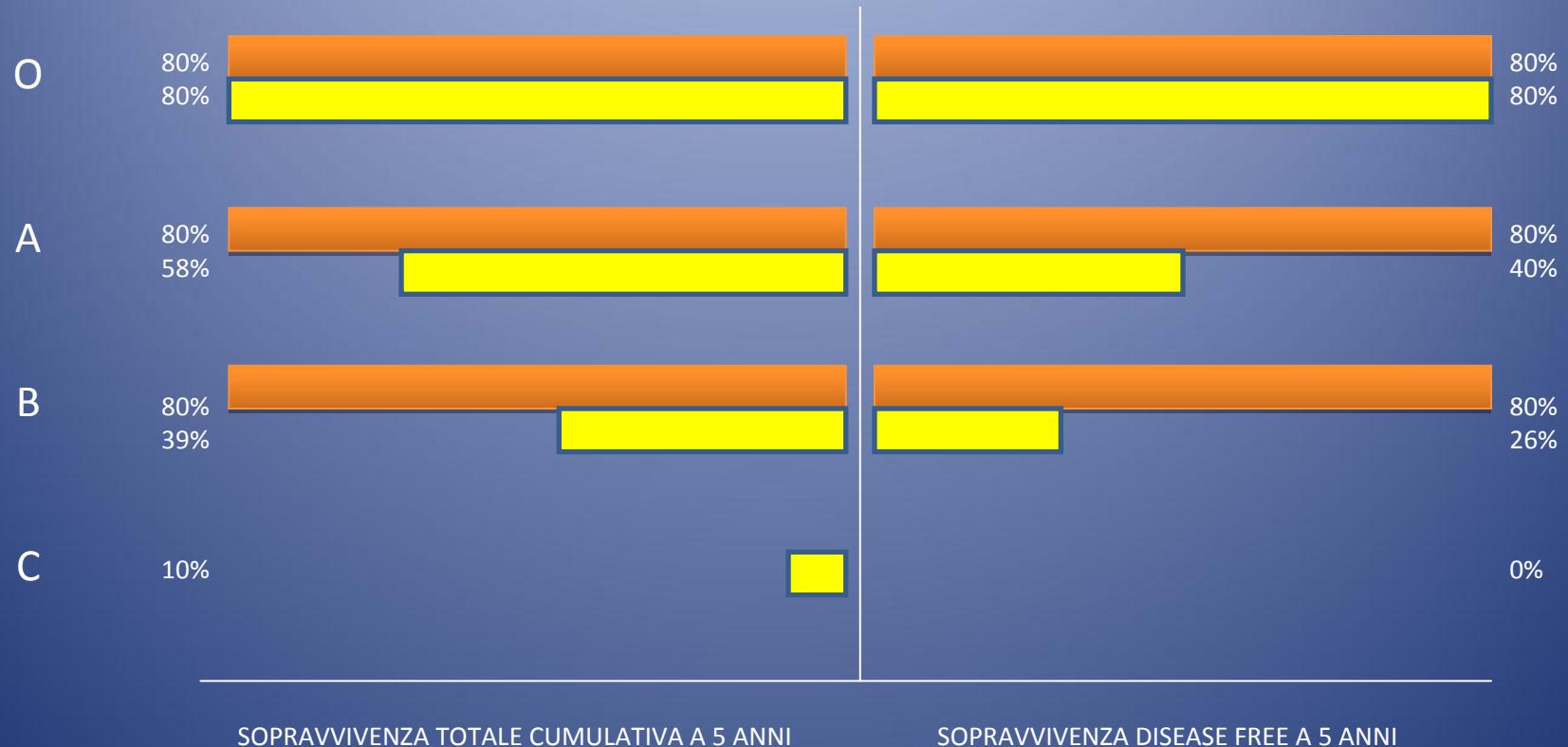
# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification

## STAGE D (END-STAGE HCC)

- Neoplasia multinodulare in paziente gravemente sintomatico
- Basso valore di Performance Status: ECOG 3-4
- Child C
- Sopravvivenza mediana → 3-4 mesi o 11% a 1 anni

# Barcelona-Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) Classification-Sopravvivenza

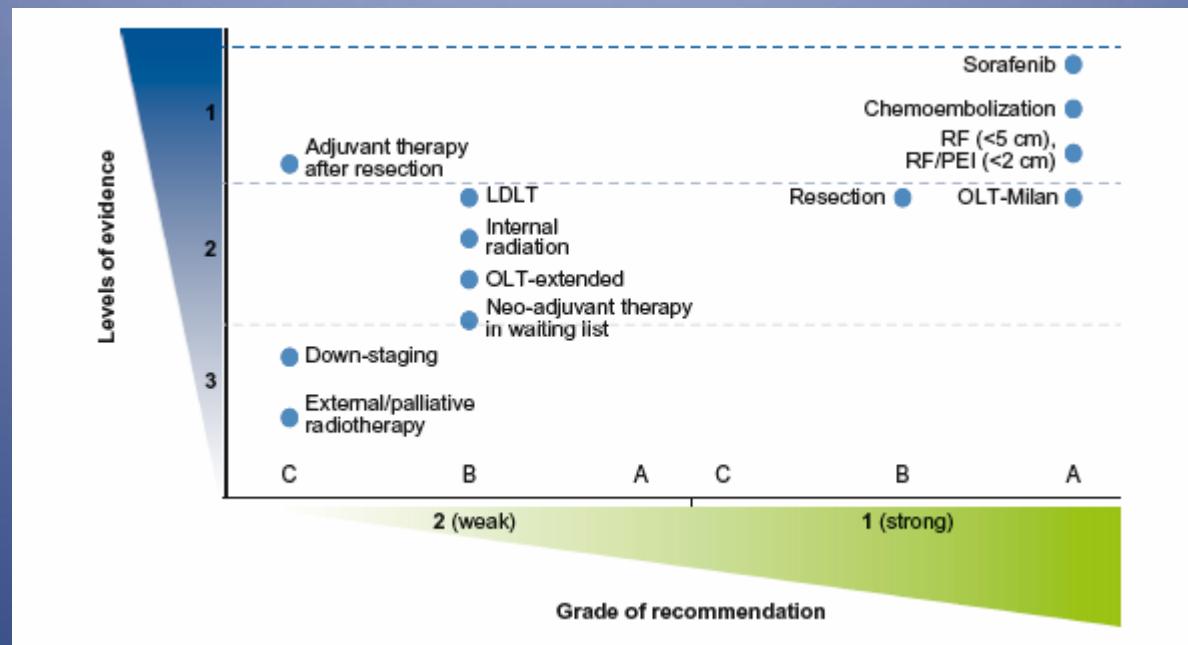
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Trapianto di Fegato

Resezione epatica

# Rapporto livello di evidenza/Grado di raccomandazione per HCC



# Resezione epatica: rischio di recidiva

Più importanti fattori predittivi di recidiva neoplastica:

-diametro della lesione → sopravvivenza a 5 anni:

HCC < 2 cm: 66%

HCC 2-5 cm: 52%

HCC > 5 cm: 37%

-invasione microvascolare → associato a differenziazione istologica, grading e dimensioni del nodulo maggiore. Probabilità di presenza del suddetto:

diametro nodulo = 2 cm → 20%

diametro nodulo 2-5 cm → 30-60%

diametro nodulo ≥ 5 cm → 60-90%

-numero lesioni → sopravvivenza a 5 anni:

1 nodulo: 57%

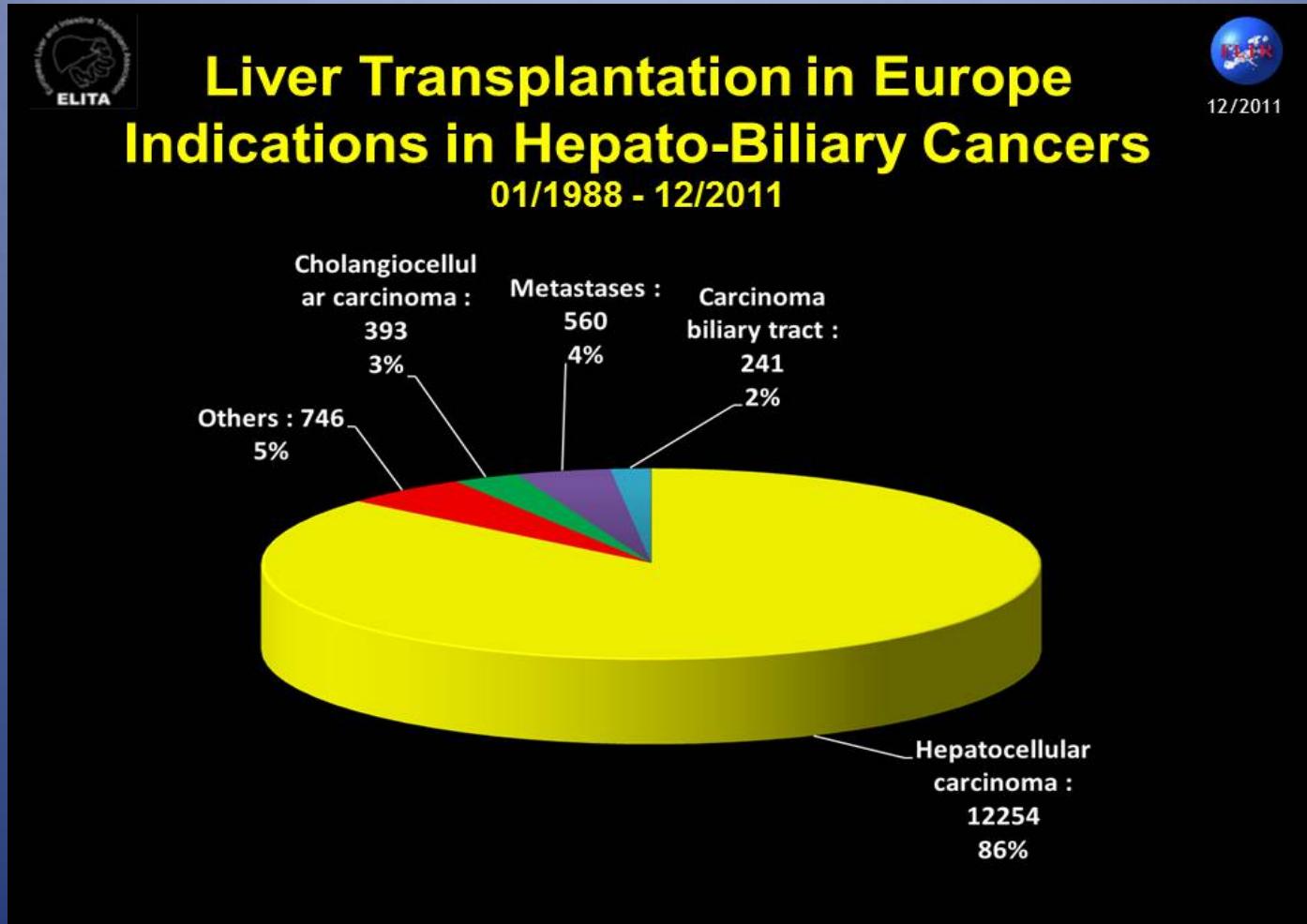
≥3 noduli: 26%



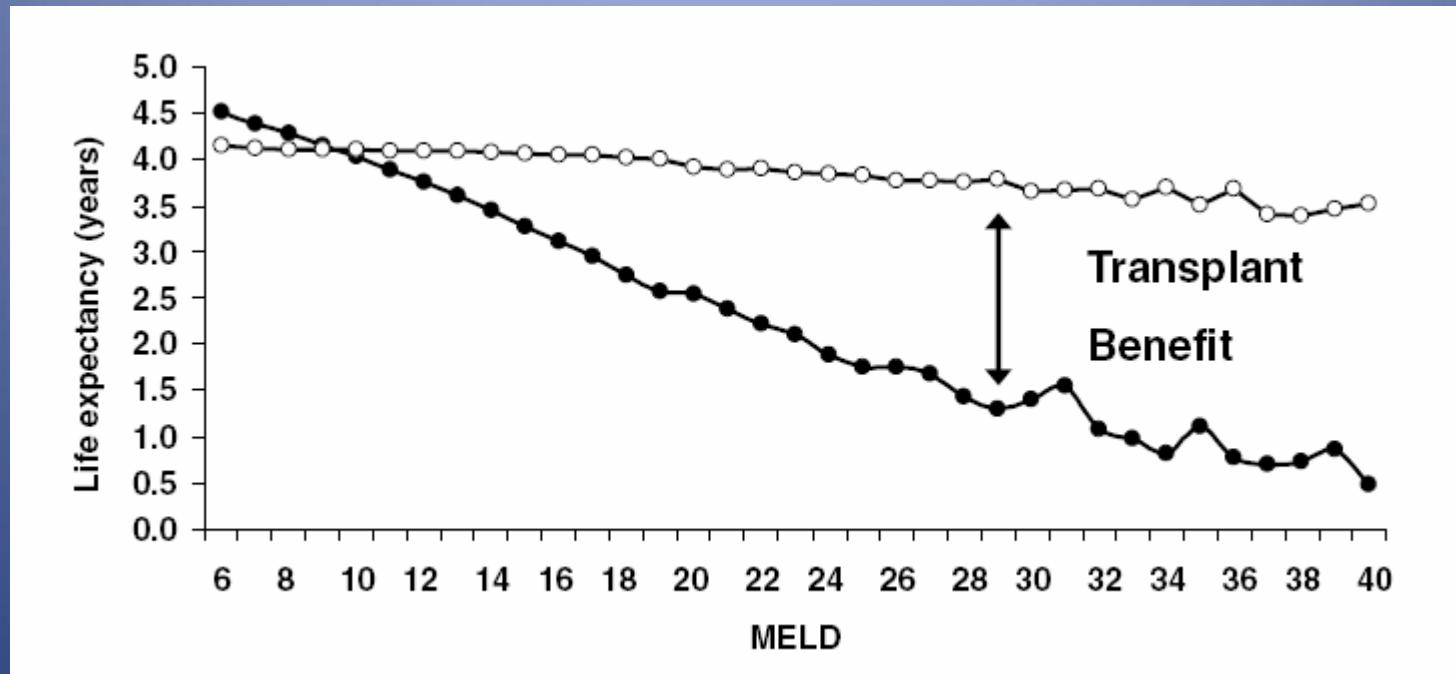
La recidiva neoplastica deriva dal tumore primitivo e non da tumori metacroni sviluppatisi nel fegato cirrotico (comunque la recidiva conseguente a disseminazione si manifesta durante i primi tre anni di follow up)

La chemioterapia pre o post resezione non migliora la probabilità di recidiva neoplastica

# Trapianto di Fegato: indicazioni per neoplasie epatiche

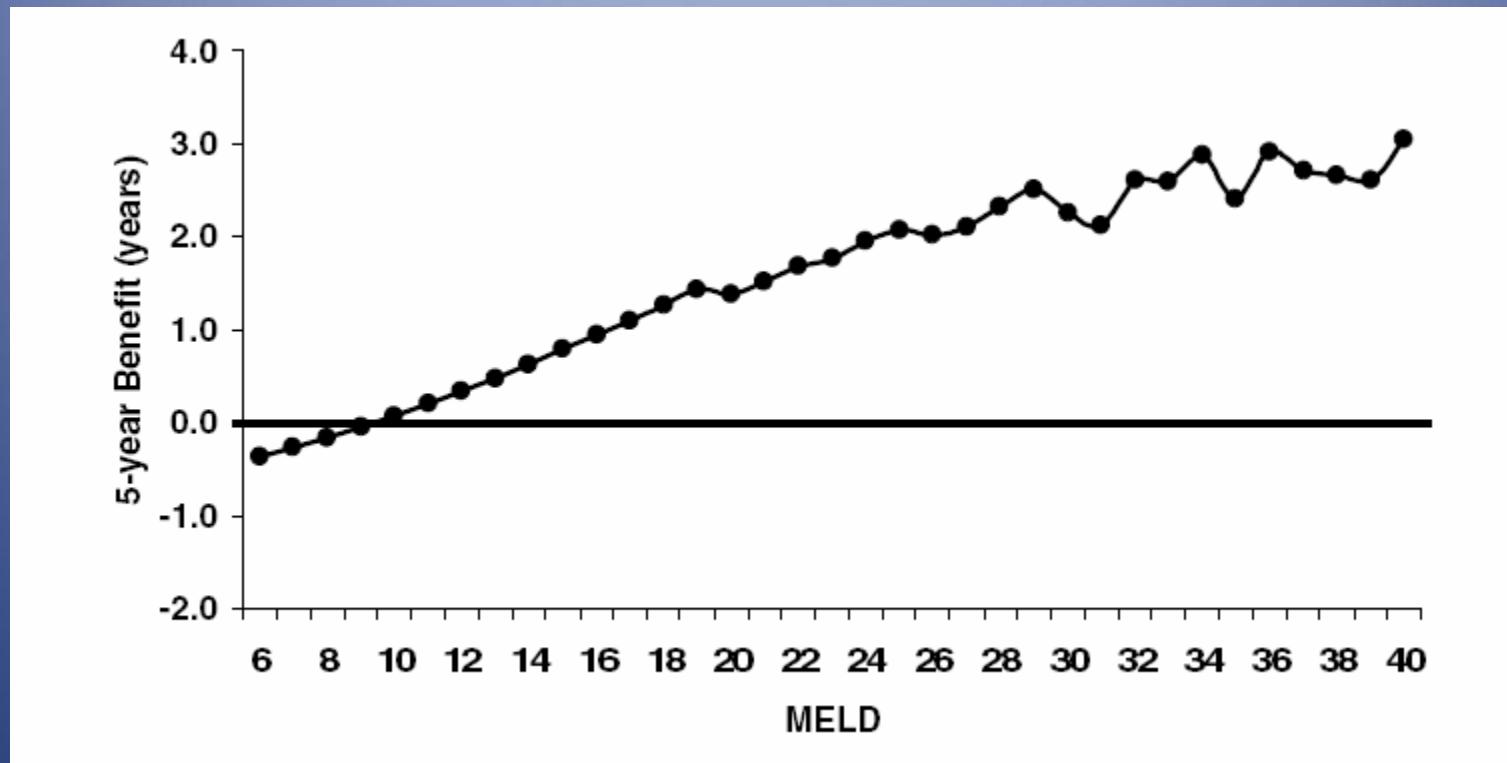


# TRANSPLANT BENEFIT IN OLT



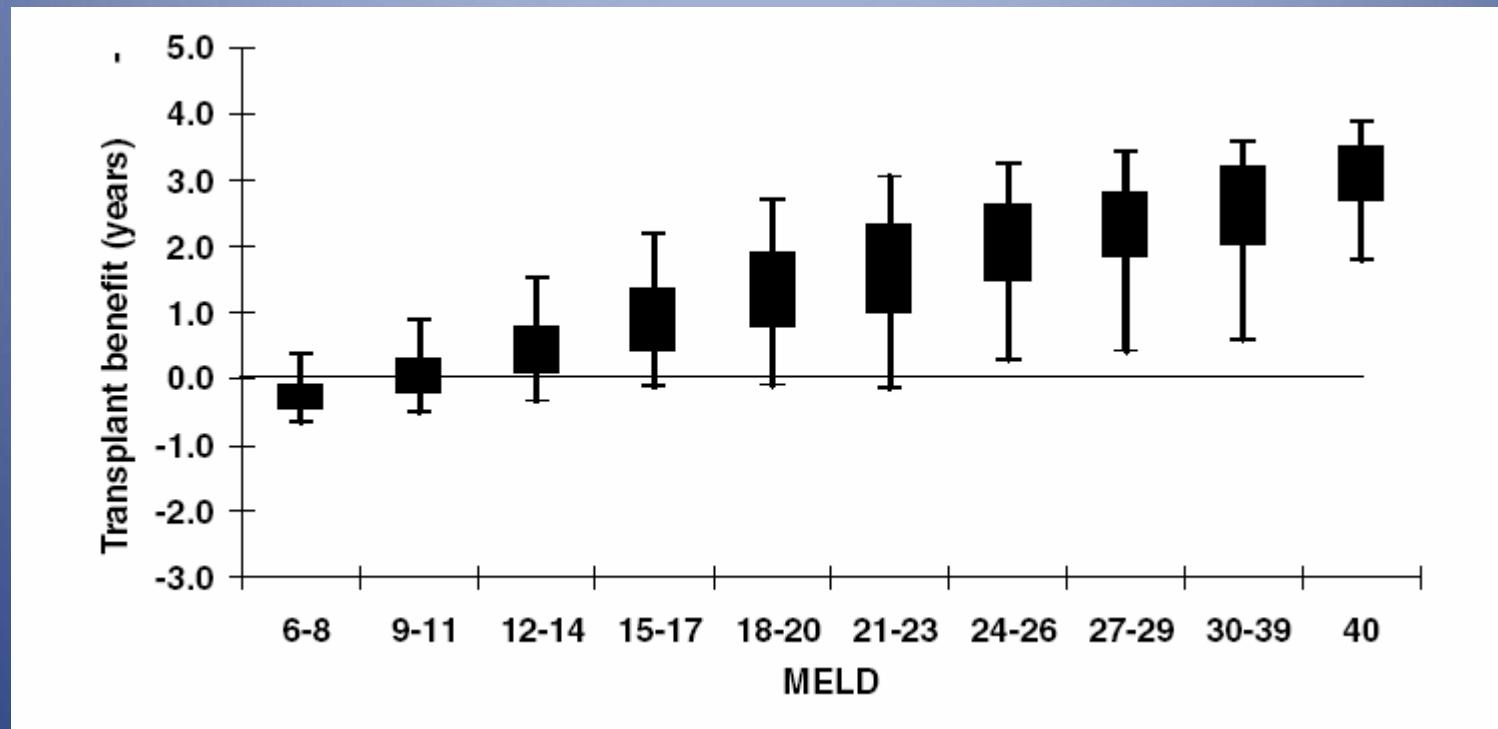
Aspettativa di vita in una media di 5 anni utilizzando il MELD score  
(Rank correlation fra benefit score e MELD score = 0.67)

## TRANSPLANT BENEFIT IN OLT



Transplant BENEFIT in una media di 5 anni utilizzando il MELD score

## TRANSPLANT BENEFIT IN OLT



Variabilità nella distribuzione del benefit score ad ogni MELD score



# Criteri di selezione HCC

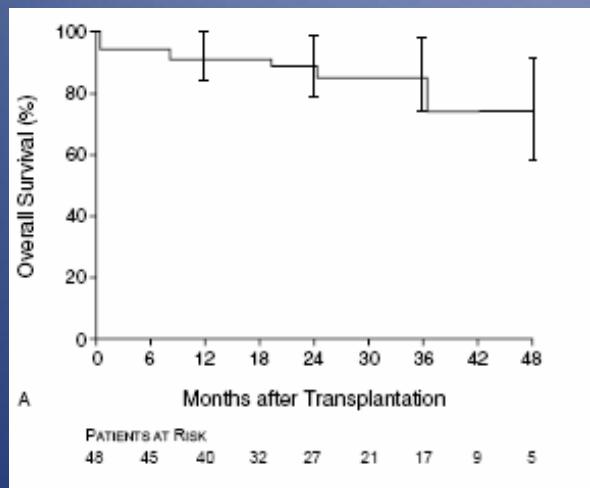
## Criteri di Milano

Nodulo singolo  $\leq 5$  cm

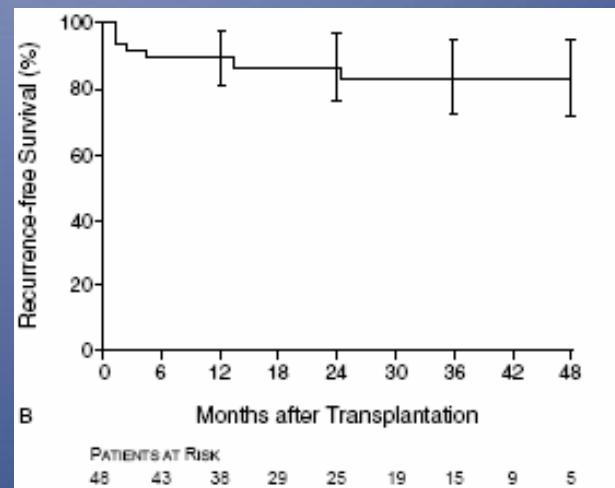
HCC multifocale fino a 3 noduli  $\leq 3$  cm

Assenza di invasione macrovascolare

Assenza di malattia extraepatica



Sopravvivenza globale a 4 anni: 75%



Sopravvivenza libera da malattia a 4 anni: 83%

# Problematiche relative al trapianto per HCC

Le liste di attesa per LT sono caratterizzate dalla coesistenza di due distinte popolazioni (HCC e ESLD) ciascuna delle quali richiede il rispetto di legittime esigenze.

## Esigenze HCC:

- Tempi di attesa limitati
- Contenimento neoplasia entro limiti trapiantabilità
- Drop out

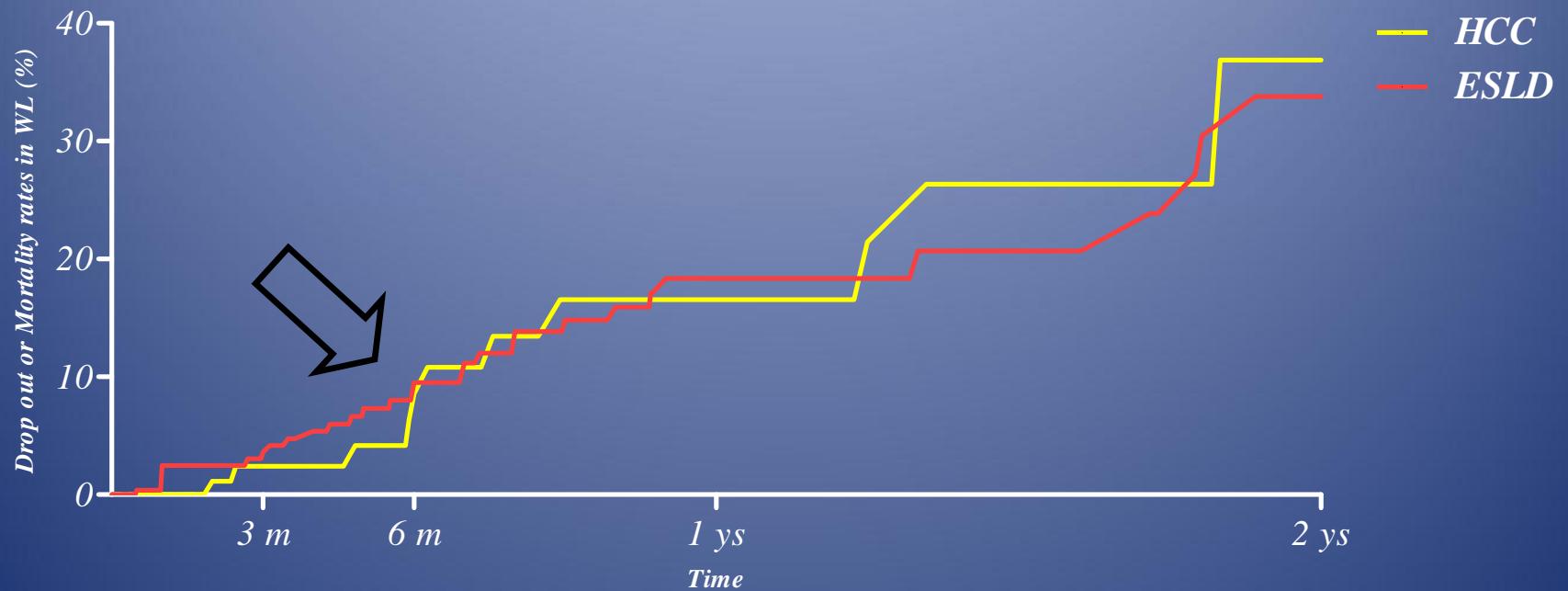
## Esigenze ESLD:

- Nessuna alternativa terapeutica
- Lenta ma costante evoluzione
- Continuo incremento (Re-LT?)
- Mortalità in lista

Trattamenti pre LT  
Disponibilità di organi costante

Richiesta di espansione dei Criteri per HCC

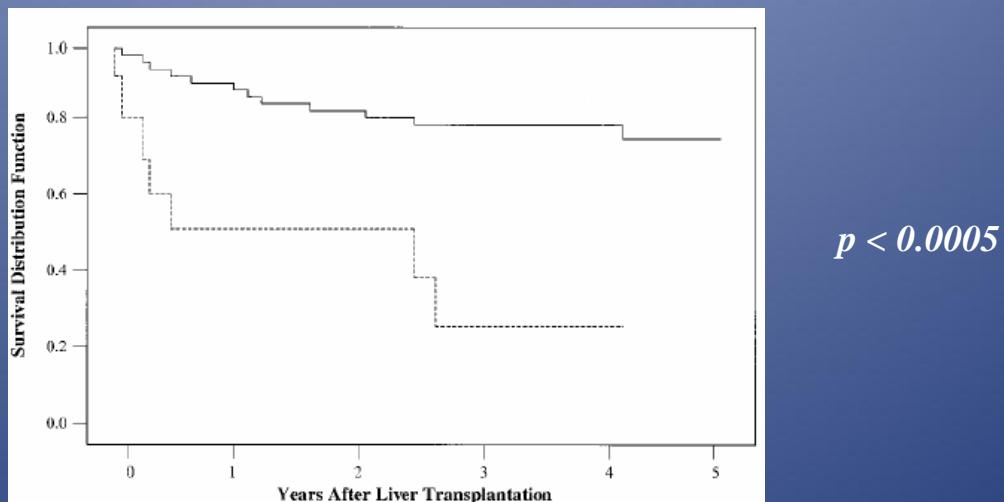
## Drop out e Mortalità in lista in WL HCC vs ESLD



## Criteri di selezione HCC Criteri di San Francisco (UCSF)

Nodulo singolo  $\leq$  6,5 cm

HCC multifocale:  $\leq$  3 noduli con lesione maggiore  $\leq$  4,5 cm  
e diametro totale  $\leq$  8 cm



Sopravvivenza ad 1 e 5 anni: 90% e 75,2%

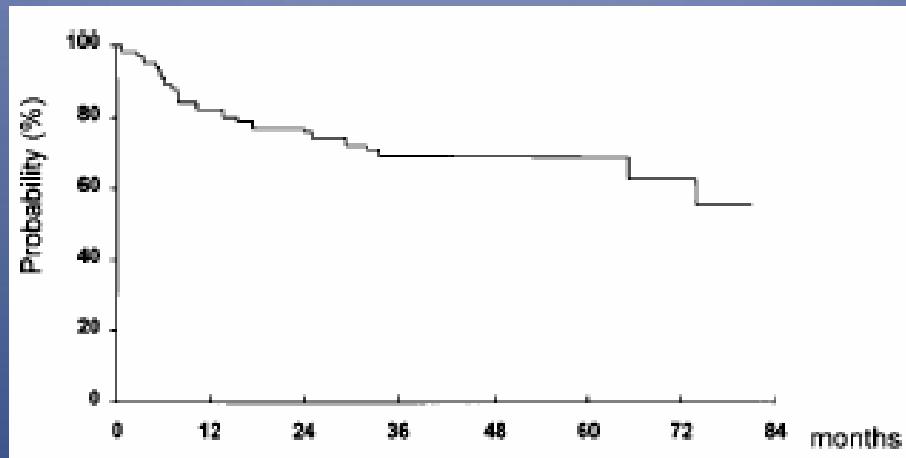
# Criteri di selezione HCC

## Criteri di Barcellona (BCLC)

Nodulo singolo  $\leq$  7 cm

HCC multifocale  $\leq$  2-3 noduli tutti  $\leq$  5 cm

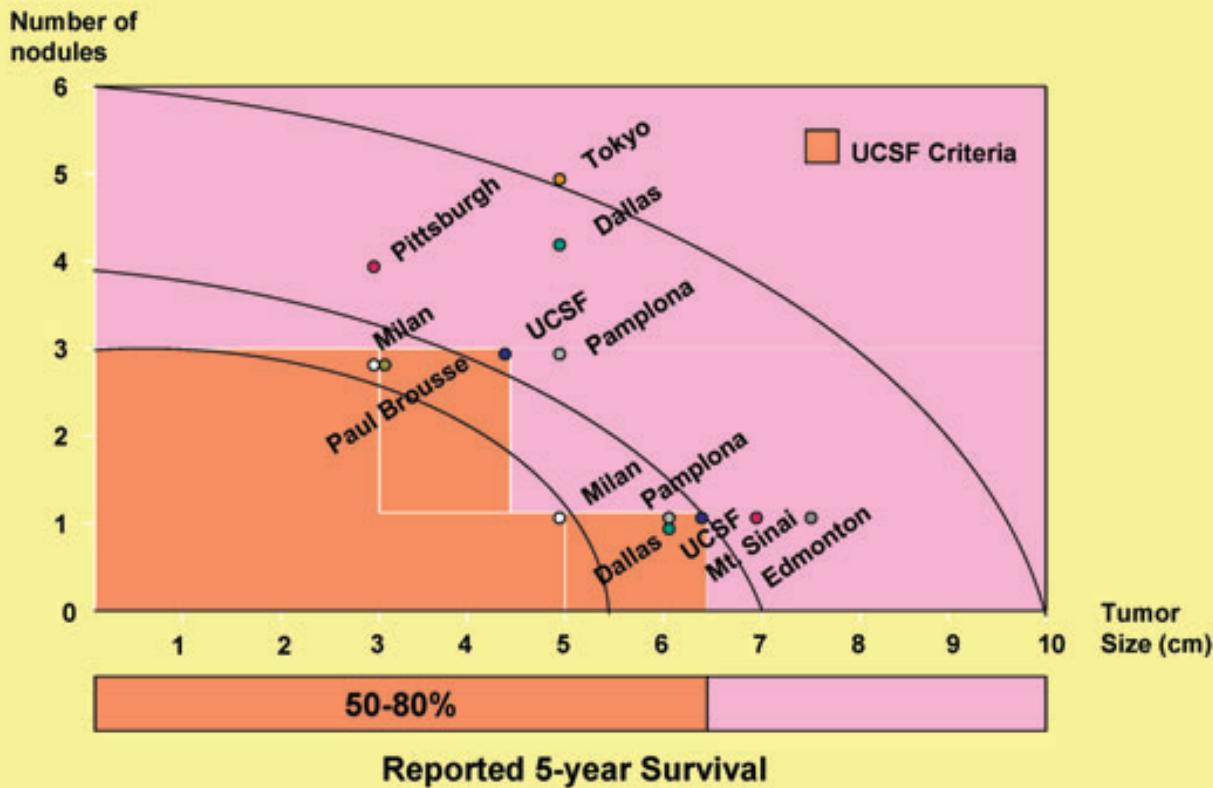
HCC multifocale  $\leq$  5 noduli tutti  $\leq$  3 cm



Sopravvivenza 5 anni di circa 69% in uno studio  
“Intention to treat ”

# Criteri di selezione

HCC “Metro ticket” - We can afford the price if we don’t go too far



# Trapianto di Fegato

## Predicting survival after liver transplantation in patients with hepatocellular carcinoma beyond the Milan criteria

A retrospective, exploratory analysis

Maximum tumour size, mm				<0.0001
Median (IQR)	35 (22-50)	20 (15-30)	40 (30-60)	
Range	1-200	1-50	4-200	
Grading, n (%)				0.003
G1	284/1113 (25.5)	50/197 (25.4)	234/916 (25.5)	
G2	550/1113 (49.4)	115/197 (58.4)	435/916 (47.5)	
G3	279/1113 (25.1)	32/197 (16.2)	247/916 (27.0)	
Not available	443 (-)	247 (-)	196 (-)	
Vascular invasion, n (%)				<0.0001
No	977/1475 (66.2)	361/405 (89.1)	616/1070 (57.6)	
Yes	498/1475 (33.8)	44/405 (10.9)	454/1070 (42.4)	
Not available	81 (-)	39 (-)	42 (-)	
Recurrence-free survival (95% CI), %				<0.0001
5 years	72.6 (69.6-75.3)	94.5 (91.4-96.5)	64.1 (60.3-67.6)	
10 years	68.2 (64.5-71.5)	94.5 (91.4-96.5)	58.1 (53.5-62.4)	
Overall survival (95% CI), %				<0.0001
5 years	59.1 (56.1-61.9)	73.3 (68.2-77.7)	53.6 (50.1-57.0)	
10 years	46.8 (43.0-50.5)	69.6 (63.7-74.8)	38.7 (34.2-43.1)	

# Trapianto di fegato: Allocazione organi

## Gen 2002: Sviluppo MELD score (INR, Creat, Bil)

permette di stimare il rischio di mortalità (3 months mortality risk) dei pazienti con ESLD con o senza cirrosi assumendo un ruolo fondamentale nella allocazione dei graft

## Feb 2002: Introduzione MELD come parametro allocazione organi per ESLD

### Attribuzione MELD corretto sulla base della stadiazione radiologica

HCC (T1): 3 months Drop out risk 15% → 24

HCC (T2): 3 months Drop out risk 30% → 29

## 2006: Correzione dei punteggi per HCC

HCC (T1): nessuna correzione

HCC (T2): 22 (Milan In)

HCC (T3): 22 (Milan Out)

# Sopravvivenza post Trapianto di Fegato

