

Evidence, Status and Future of Vascular therapies in cancer treatment



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Paradigms?
Where to start?



No Conflict of interests

“Begin at the beginning and go on till you come to the end:
then stop.”

— Lewis Carroll, Alice in Wonderland

Rationale and Techniques

Indications and **success criteria**

Evidence for **benefit & risk**

New horizons

TECHNIQUE



Solid tumours cannot grow more than a few millimeters, without access to a blood supply. ¹

Neovascularization, is relatively uncommon in most normal tissues but is an essential feature of solid tumors (Folkman 2002)

Tumor Survival, Progression & Spread - depends firmly on vascular supply

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The development of tumour vascular networks

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Abstract

The growth of solid tumours relies on an ever-increasing supply of oxygen and nutrients that are delivered via vascular networks. Tumour vasculature includes endothelial cell lined

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Vascular targeted therapies in oncology

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Abstract

Neovascularization is intimately involved in tumor survival, progression, and spread, factors known to contribute significantly to treatment failures. Thus, strategies targeting the tumor blood vessel support network may offer not only unique therapeutic opportunities in their own right, but also novel means of enhancing the efficacies of conventional anticancer treatments. This article reviews one such therapeutic approach directed at the tumor blood vessel support network. Vascular disrupting therapies seek the destruction of the established neovasculature of actively growing tumors. The goal of these therapies is to cause a rapid and catastrophic shutdown in the vascular function of the tumor in order to arrest the blood flow and produce tumor cell death as a result of hypoxia, nutrient deprivation and the build up of waste products.

Sushruta Samhita

Oldest medical text on surgery

CANCER IN ANCIENT INDIAN SURGERY

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ABSTRACT: This paper contains some valid interpretations of the ancient explanations of the disease-Cancer in terms of such relative diseases in Ayurveda. This is a result of a critical observation of the Susruta Samhita, followed by the translation of this authentic text of ancient Indian Surgery done by the author and his colleagues.

2500 years ago in the town of Varanasi, Susruta, the Father of Surgery wrote his Samhita, the classical Ayurvedic surgical treatise in Sanskrit.

To make its contents known to the modern scientists of the world its authentic, scientific, research-oriented syntax, English interpretation is being brought out as a monumental, encyclopaedic 12 volumes (over 5000 pages) Ancient Indian surgery series from the Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University.

Based on the above work some relevant excerpts on cancer and related matters in ancient Indian surgery are being given below.

1. Pathogenesis of Tumours (S. S. II. 11. 13-15/1)

The doshas having got vitiated in any part of the body and afflicting the māmsa produce a swelling in the latter. This (lesion) is circular, fixed, slightly painful, big in size, broad based, slowly growing and does not suppurate; the same is called arbudā by the experts of this science. This is produced by (vitiated) vāta, pitta and kapha and by rakta and māmsa and also by medas. Its clinical features are always like that of granthi.

2. Blood-tumour (Raktārbudā) (S. S. II. 11. 15/2-17/1)

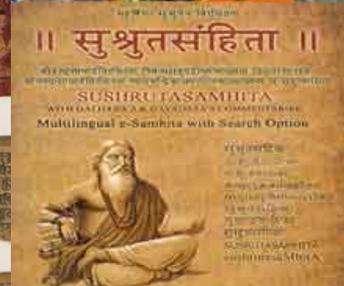
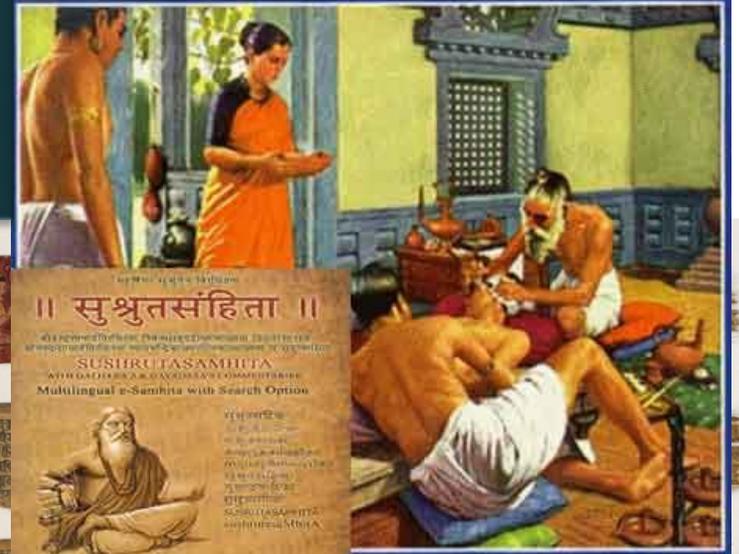
The vitiated dosas compressing and contracting the **sonita** and vessels without undergoing suppuration and along with the discharge make the muscular lumps prominent. This is studded with fleshy buds and increases rapidly. This continuously discharges vitiated blood is incurable and is known as **raktārbudā**, because of the complication of haemorrhage the patient with this tumour becomes anaemic.

3. Muscle-Tumour (Māmsārbudā) (S. S. II. 11. 17/2-19)

Due to fist blows, etc. the muscles of injured parts get vitiated and swollen. This is painless and smooth, is of the same colour (as skin), is non-suppurating, is like a stone and is fixed. This vitiated muscle increases much more in the non-vegetarian. This is māmsārbudā and is said to be incurable. Even out of those which are curable, those which discharge, those situated over the vital parts over the srotasas and those which become fixed, should be discarded from treatment.

4. Multiple Tumours (S. S. II. 11. 21)

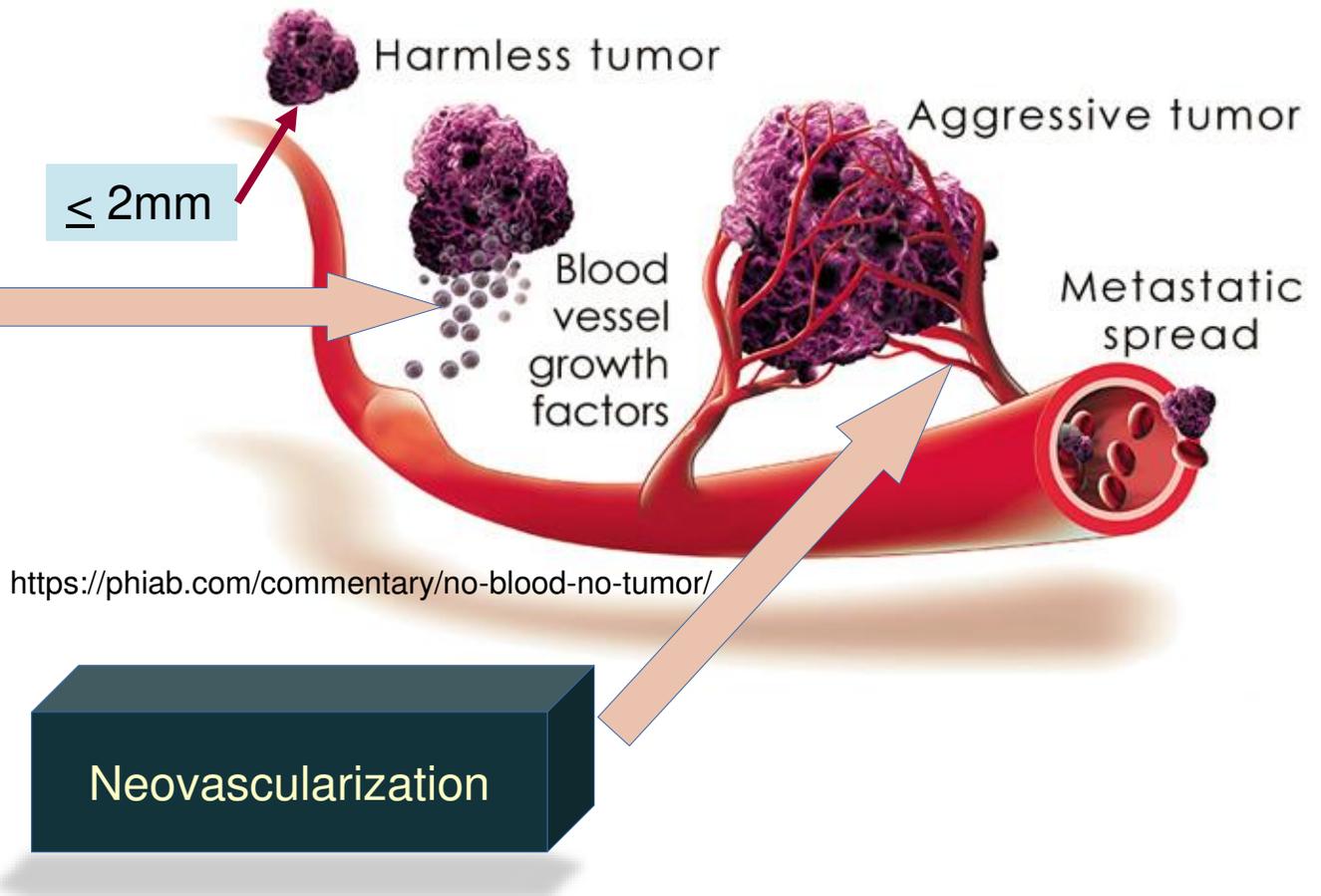
When another tumour grows over the pre-existing one, that is known adhyarbudā by the oncologist. When two tumours grow



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Angiogenesis - Growth Factors

How does it happen?



Neovascularization

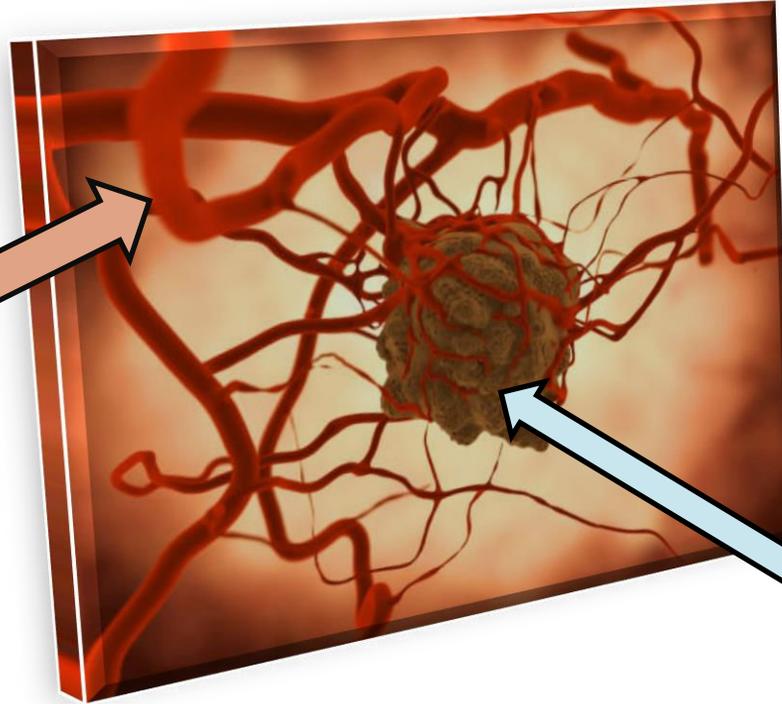
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Rationale

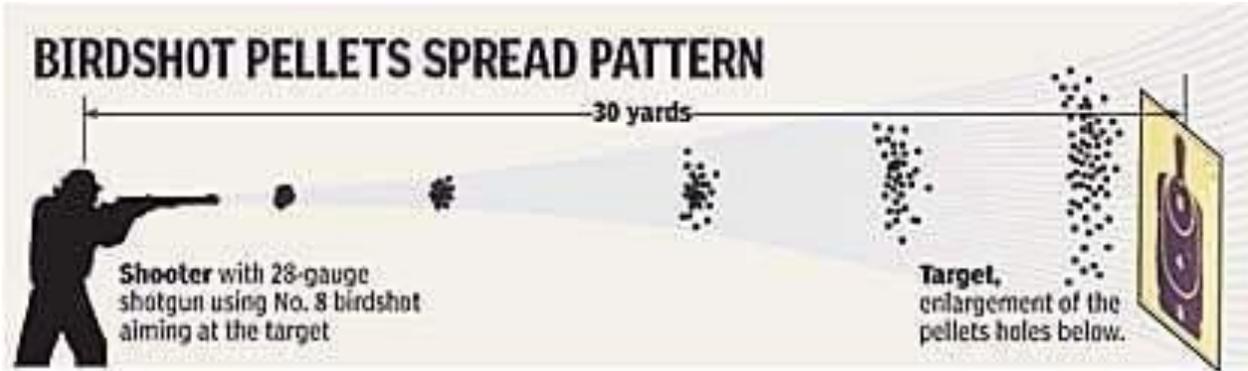
Targeted through
blood vessels



Normal Liver blood supply–
Portal ~ 75 to 80%
Arterial ~ 20 to 25%

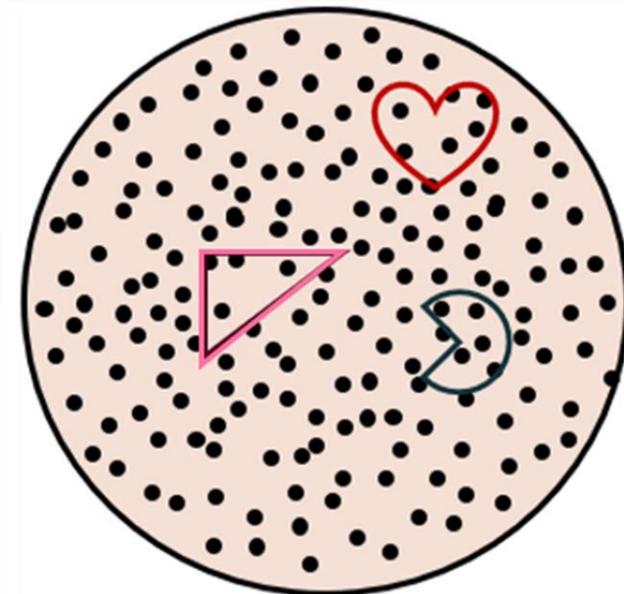
Hepatic Tumors - Almost exclusive supply by the
hepatic artery

- Surgery
- RFA /MWA/ Cryo
- EBRT



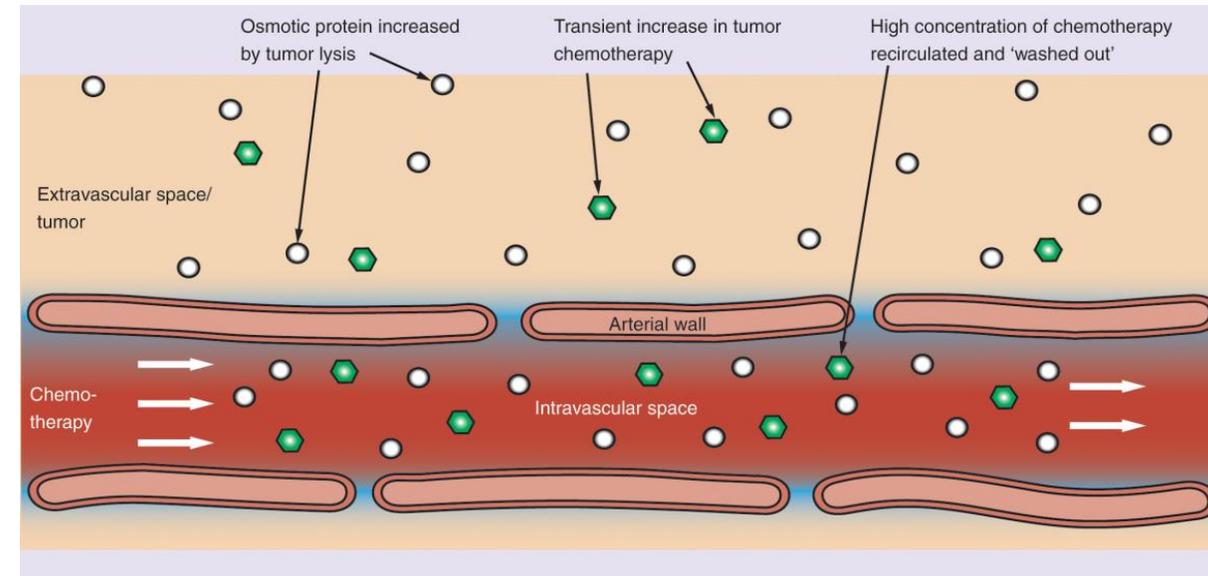
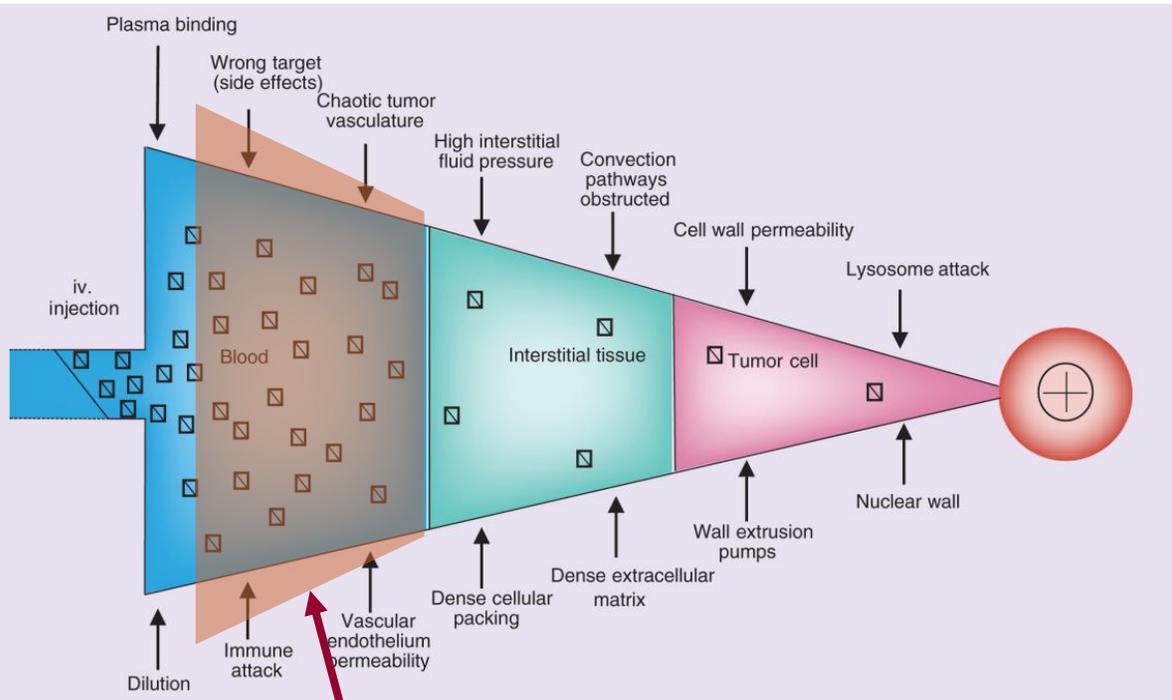
Poor selectivity - Suboptimal effect

Conventional anticancer systemic therapies



Low therapeutic Ratio - high side effects

IV Systemic Therapy



The relative advantage (RT) of HAI over the typical intravenous route is given by the following formula:

$$RT = 1 + \frac{TBC}{Q(1-e)} \quad \text{(Equation 1)}$$

(ΔP) and the oncotic pressure gradient across the capillary ($\Delta \Pi$)^{7,8,63}. Starling's equation is as follows:

$$J_v = K_f((P_c - P_t) - \sigma(\Pi_c - \Pi_t)) \quad \text{(Equation 2)}$$

Figure 8. Standard intravenous chemotherapy delivery to neoplasms relies on simple diffusion gradients from the intravascular to the interstitial space. Summarizes numerous barriers which prevent efficient iv. chemotherapy delivery to the target tumor cell.

Even IV systemic therapies reach tumors through IA route

Systematic Review

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Challenges in chemotherapy delivery: comparison of standard chemotherapy delivery to locoregional vascular mass fluid transfer

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Increase IV chemo dose

Intra-arterial delivery close to tumor

Increase permeability of drug

Overcome blood-brain-barrier/ Blood-tumor-barrier

Use of carrier molecules/vehicle

Increase diffusion pressure

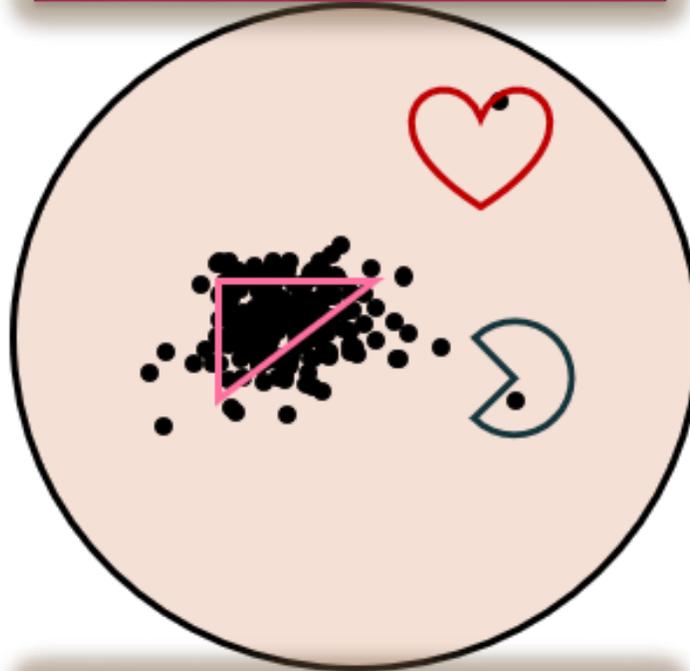
High local extraction and concentration

Short plasma half-life to avoid systemic accumulation

High total body clearance.

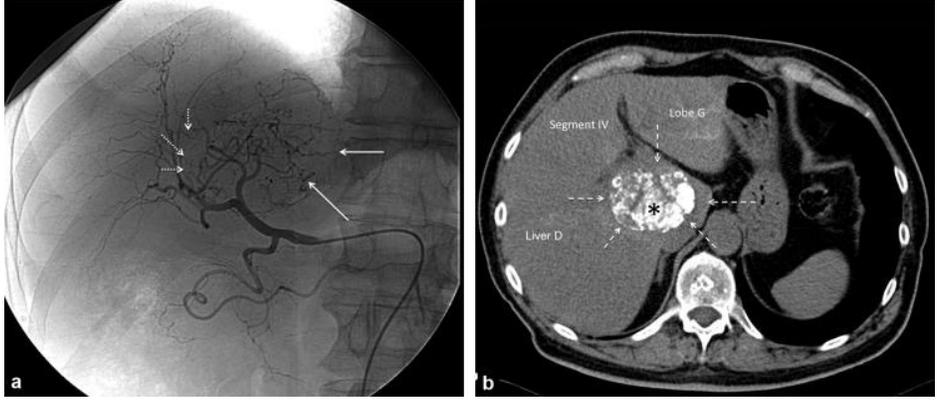
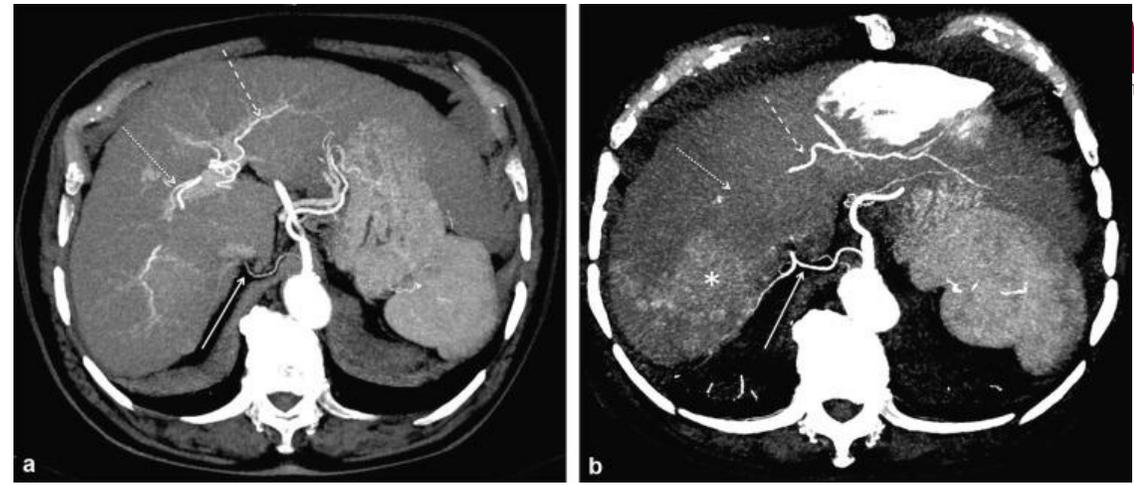
Intra-arterial delivery- Major
treatment goals

Highly selective

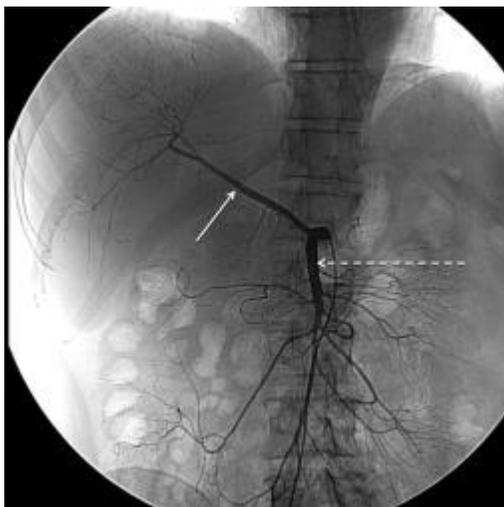


Minimally-toxic

Anatomical variations & Aberrant Supply



Technique

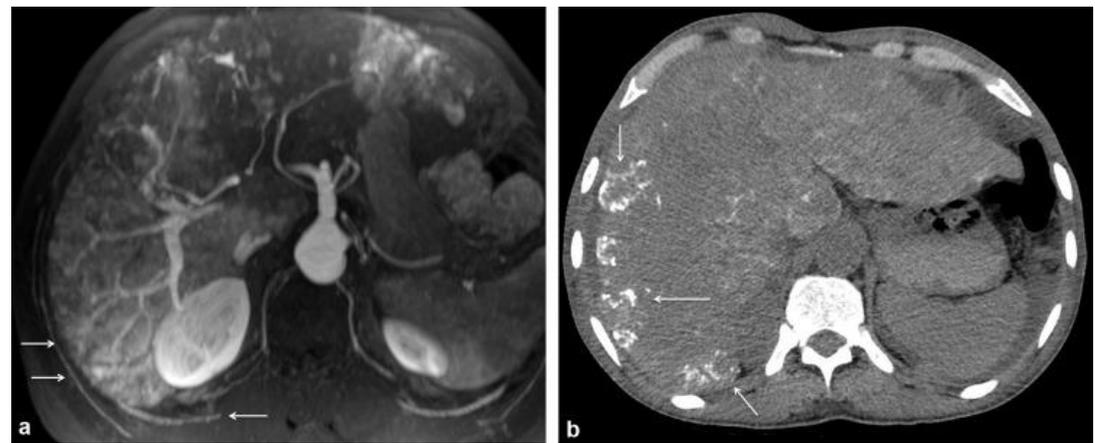


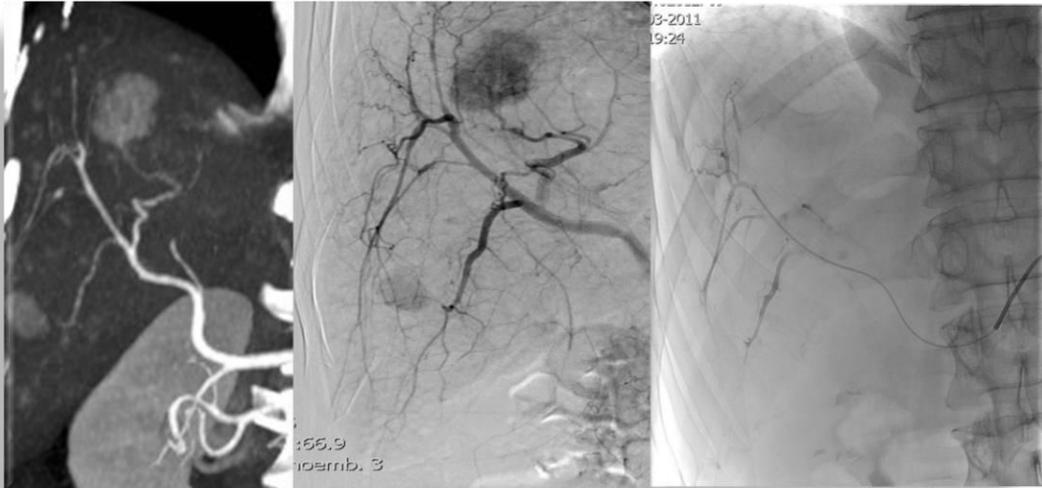
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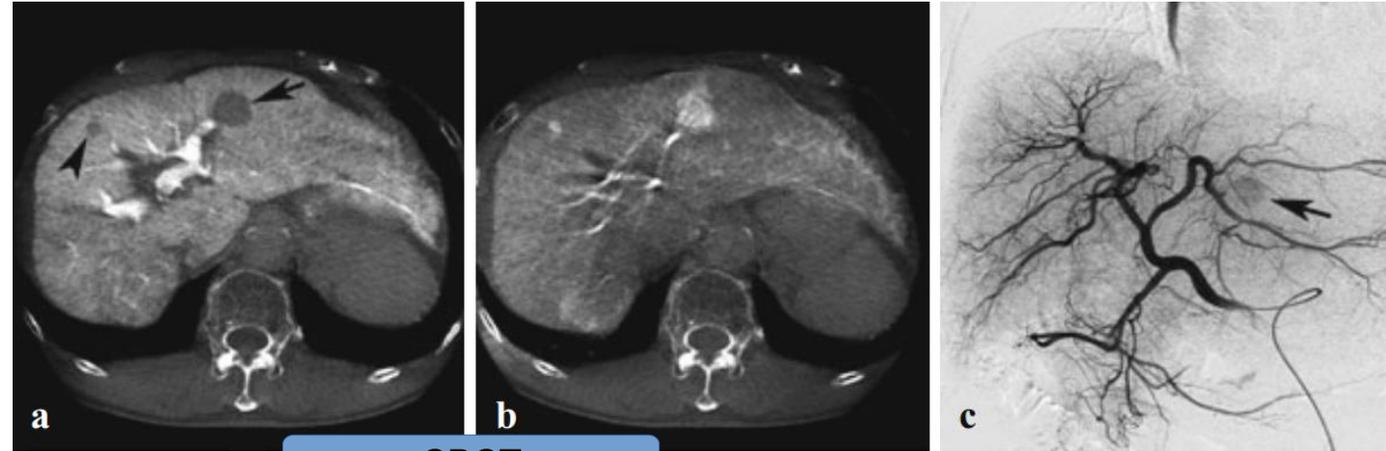
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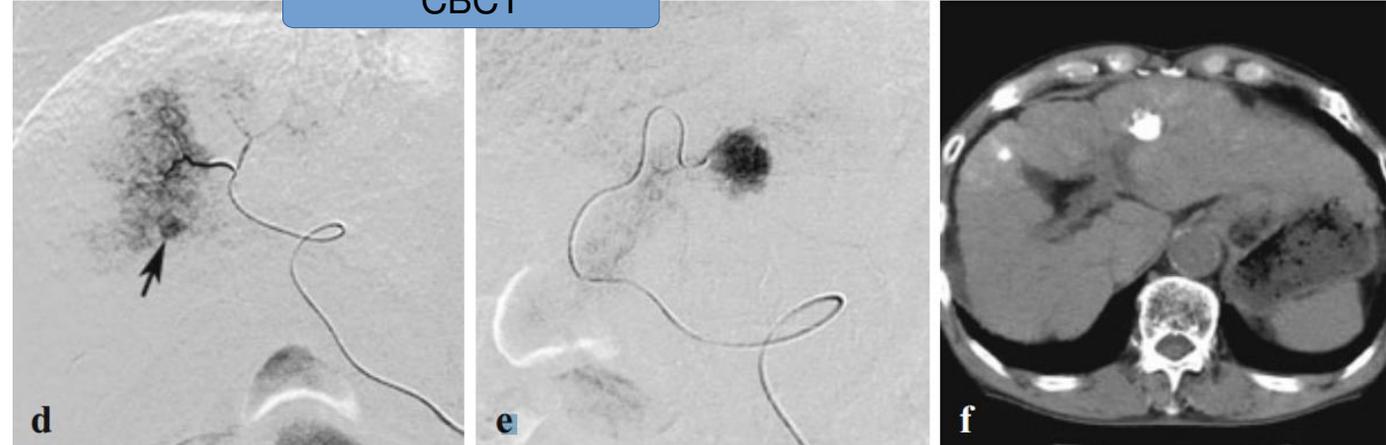




MIP assisted DSA



CBCT



ESSENTIAL PRE-REQUISITE for
Successful intra-arterial therapy

Correct placement of catheter and
Optimal drug/particle delivery

Review > [Jpn J Radiol.](#) 2011 Jul;29(6):371-7. doi: 10.1007/s11604-011-0568-8. Epub 2011 Jul 24.

Efficacy of cone-beam computed tomography during transcatheter arterial chemoembolization for hepatocellular carcinoma

Shiro Miyayama ¹, Masashi Yamashiro, Yuki Hattori, Nobuaki Orito, Ken Matsui, Kazunobu Tsuji, Miki Yoshida, Osamu Matsui

Does Intra-arterial Chemotherapy achieve required concentration ?

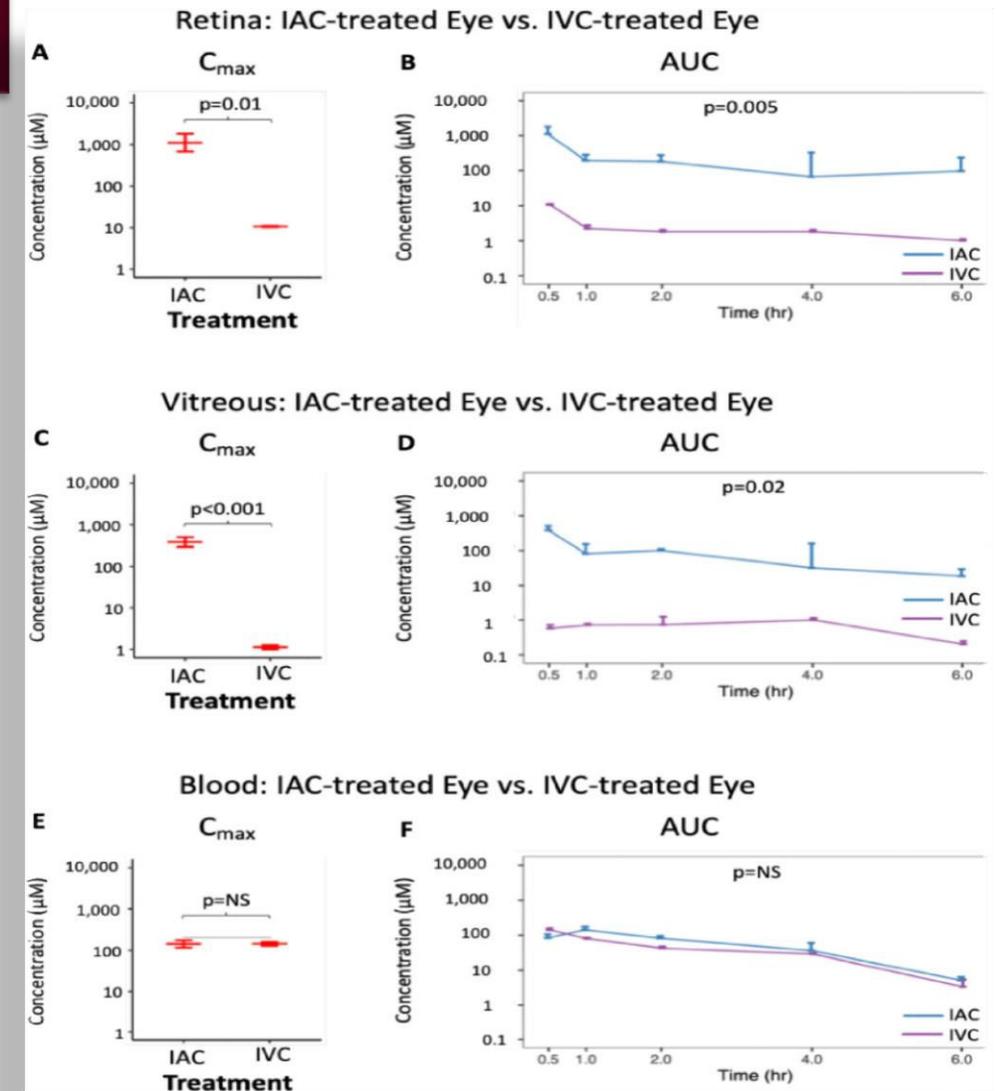
HCC/Liver mets

HAI

- Floxuridine (FUDR - 5-FU) short half-life
- Hepatic extraction rate ~ 95%,
- Tumor exposure ~ 400 times greater than the systemic infusion

Retinoblastoma

Intra-arterial chemo



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Majority of vascular cancer therapies are **ANTITUMOR AGENTS**

Chemotherapy
IAC Retinoblastoma
HAI

**Chemotherapy +
Particle Embolization**

Radiotherapy + Particles
SIRT/TARE – Liver

- Iodine 131
- Yttrium 90
- Rhenium 188
- Holmium 166
- Iodine 125

HCC

Liver Mets

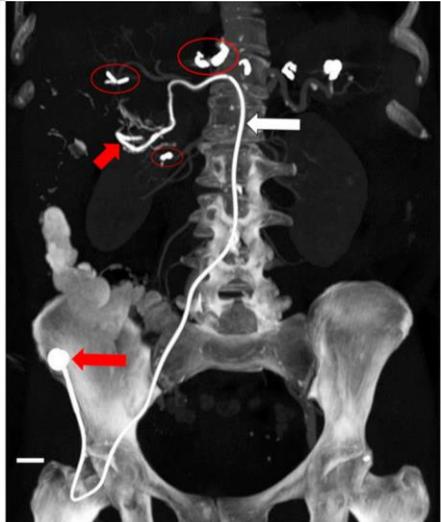
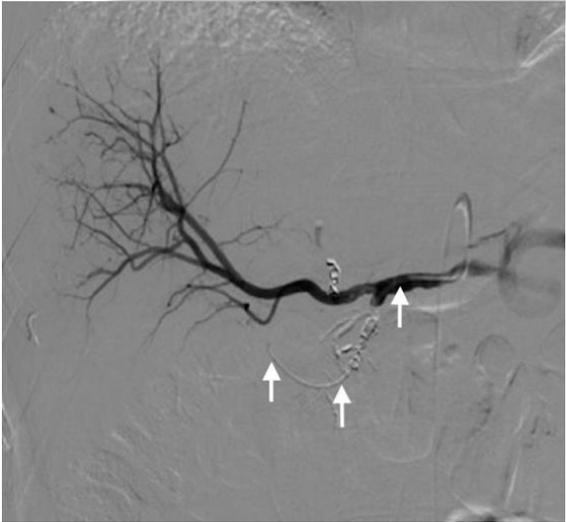
Lung

Renal

Retroperitoneum

Bony Mets

Gastric

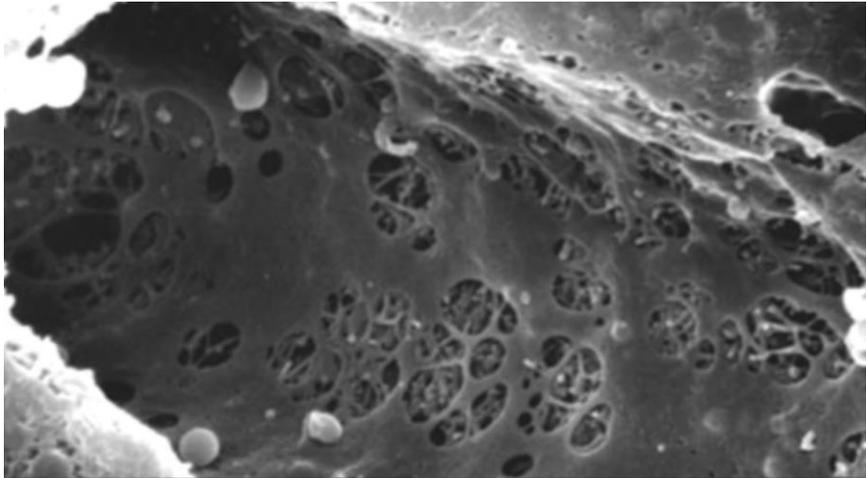


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Rationale for TACE & TARE/SIRT



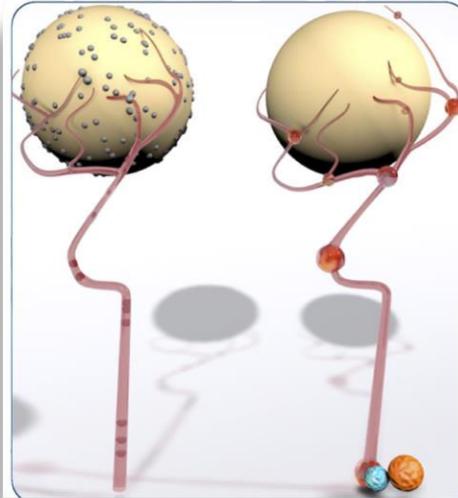
LIVER

- Terminal arterioles ~10-50
- Met arterioles 10-20
- Capillary 8-30
- Collecting venules 10-50

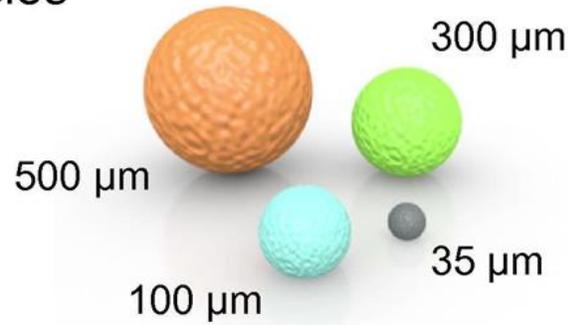
DSMs 50 ± 7µm microspheres
DEB-TACE 300–500 µm

Lipiodol small 10–40-µm and large 30–120-µm droplet W/O and O/W

Therasphere (20-30 µm) SIR-sphere (20-60 µm)
90Y Mixed with glass matrix Surface of resin sphere
Activity per sphere 2,500 Bq* 50 Gq

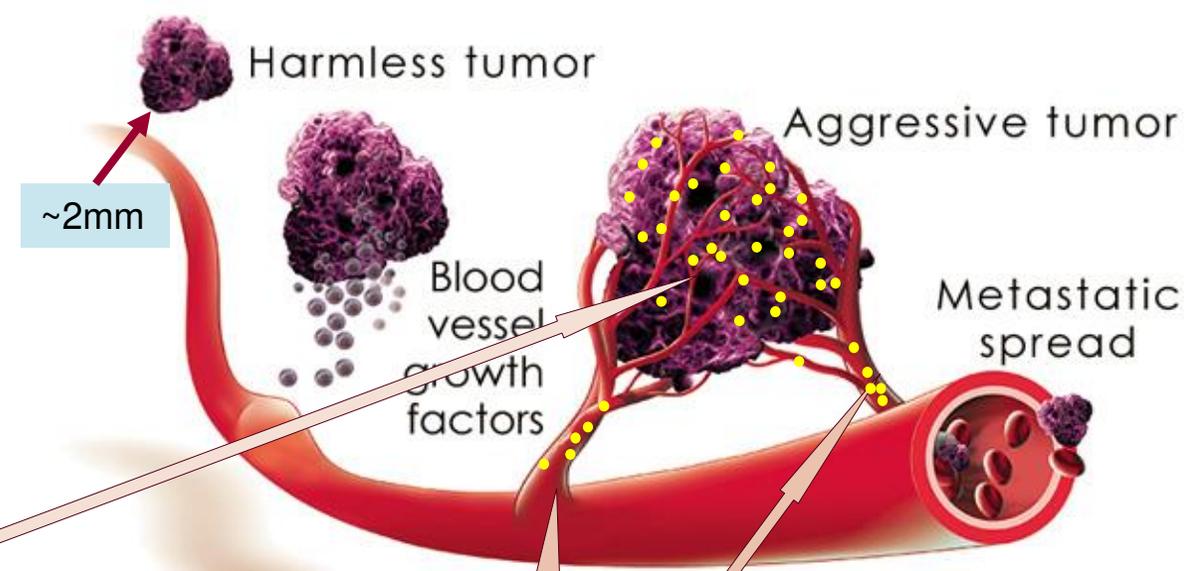


Particles



Large enough not to pass through capillaries
Small enough to lodge in the tumor vascular bed

Rationale for DEB-TACE & TARE/SIRT



Local Antitumor activity

Regional Vascular Occlusion & Ischemia

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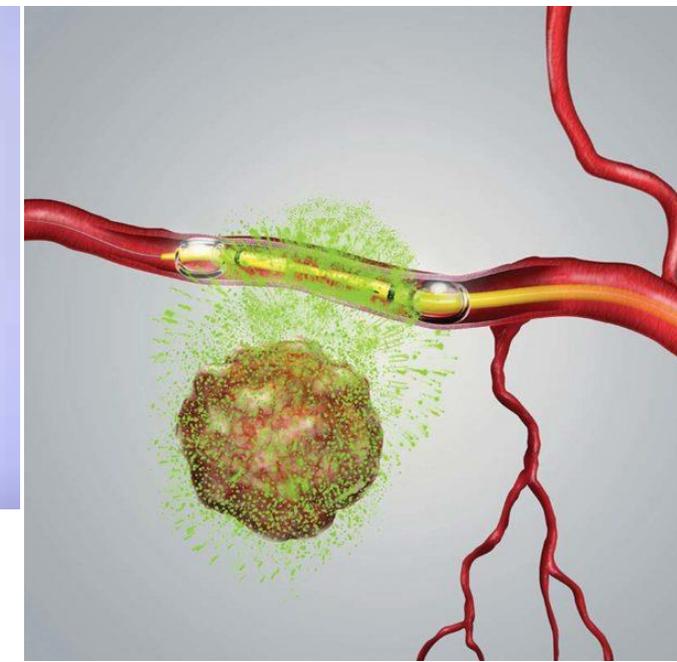
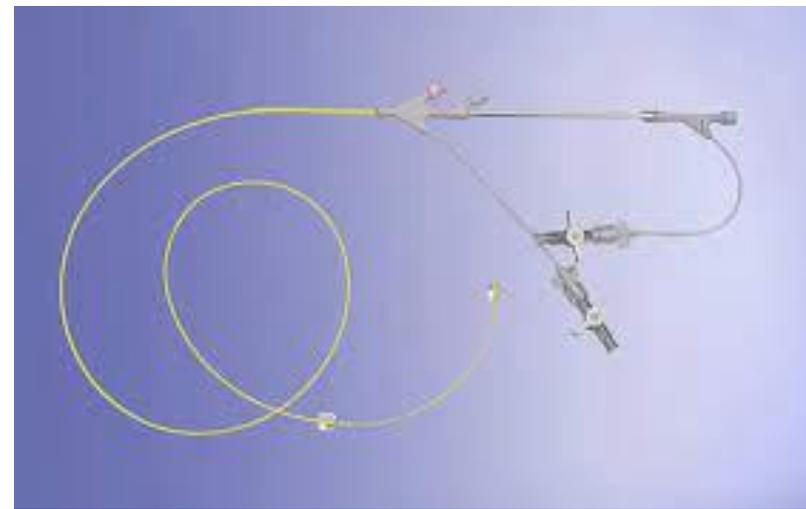
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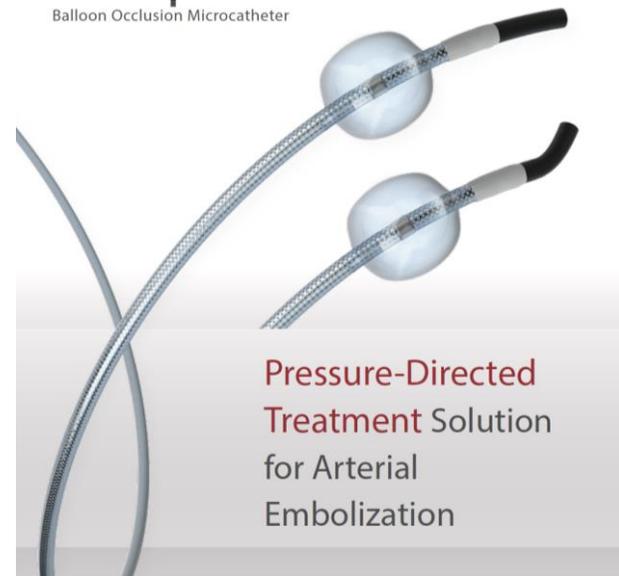
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Balloon Occlusion Microcatheter

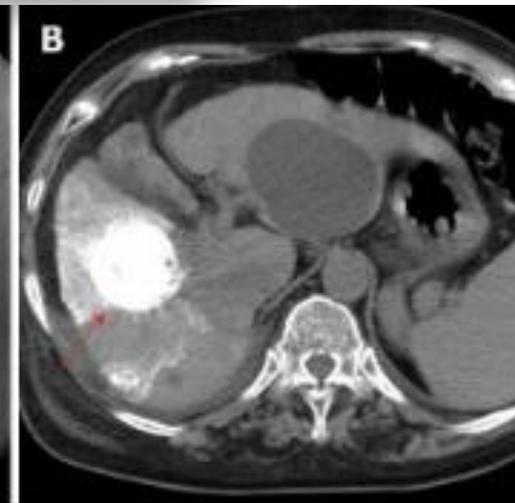


Pressure-Directed
Treatment Solution
for Arterial
Embolization



How to Improve drug delivery ??

Increase diffusion pressure



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Balloon-occluded transcatheter arterial chemoembolization for hepatocellular carcinoma

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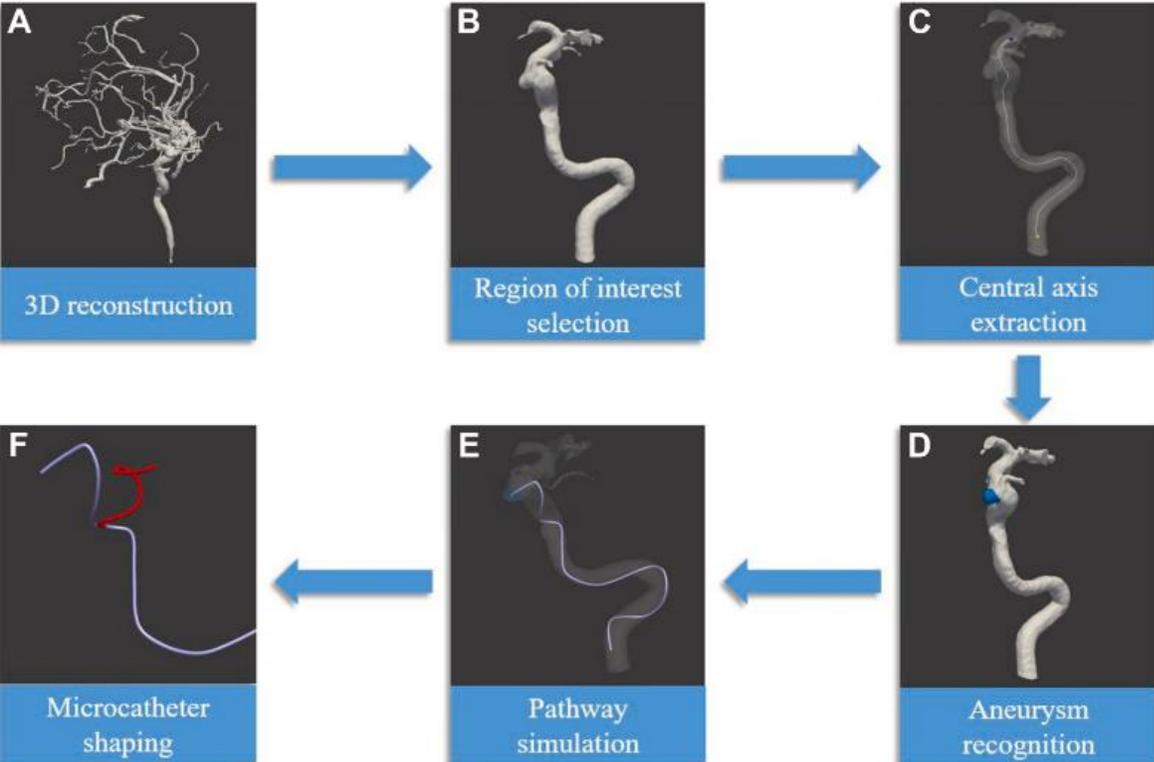


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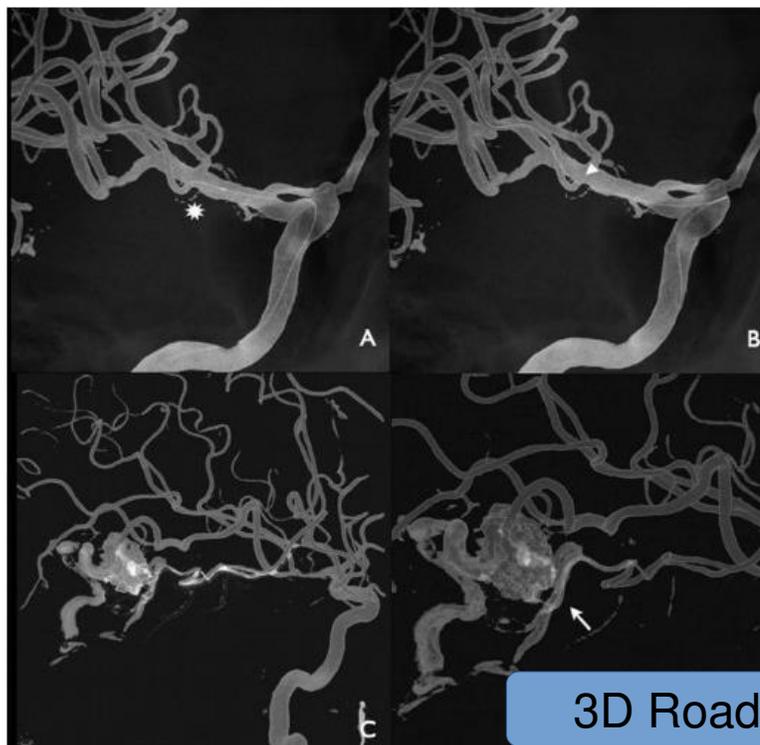


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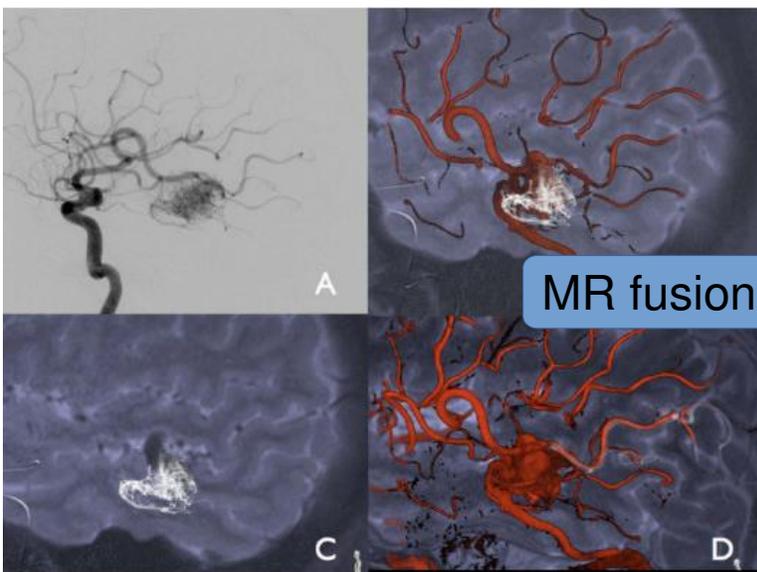
Multimodal angiographic assessment of cerebral arteriovenous malformations: a pilot study

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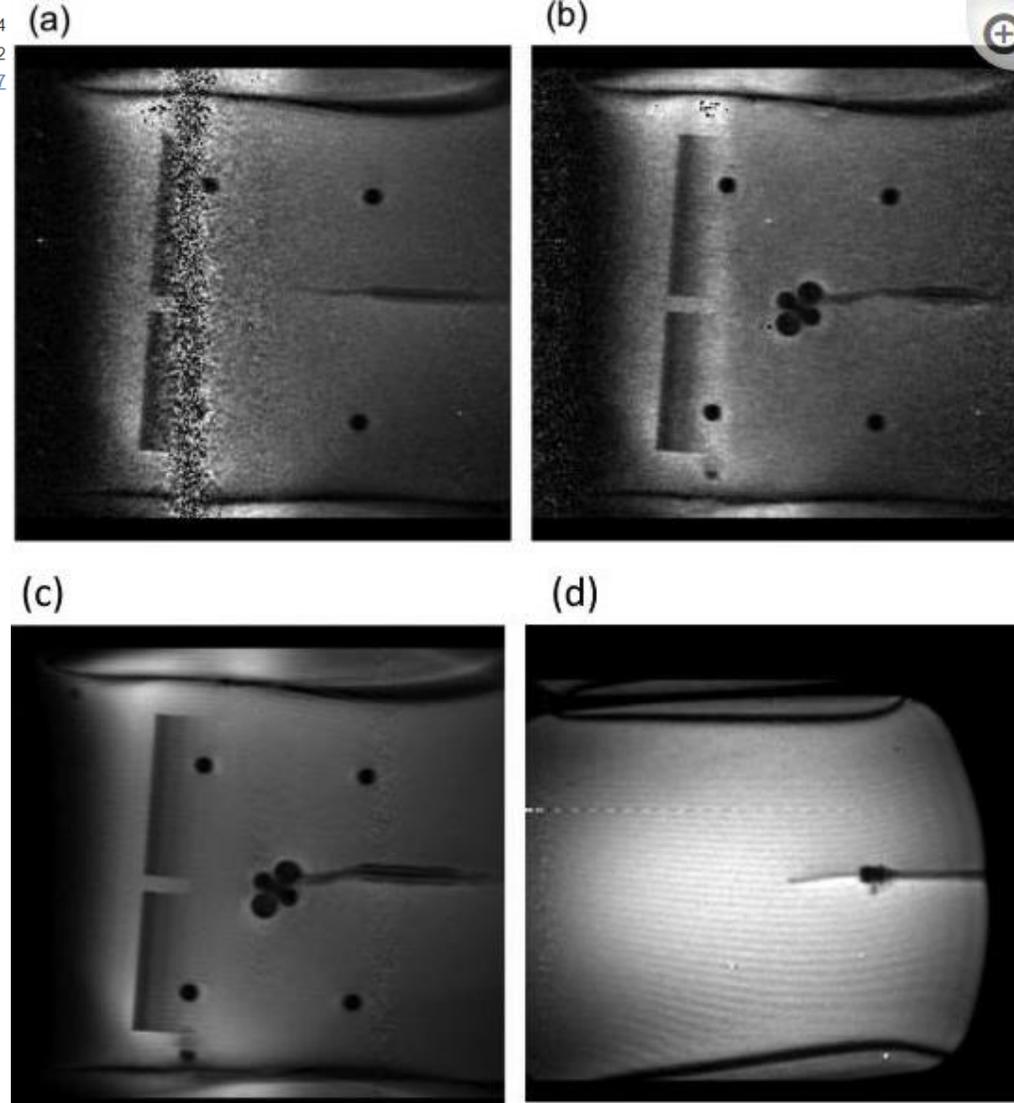
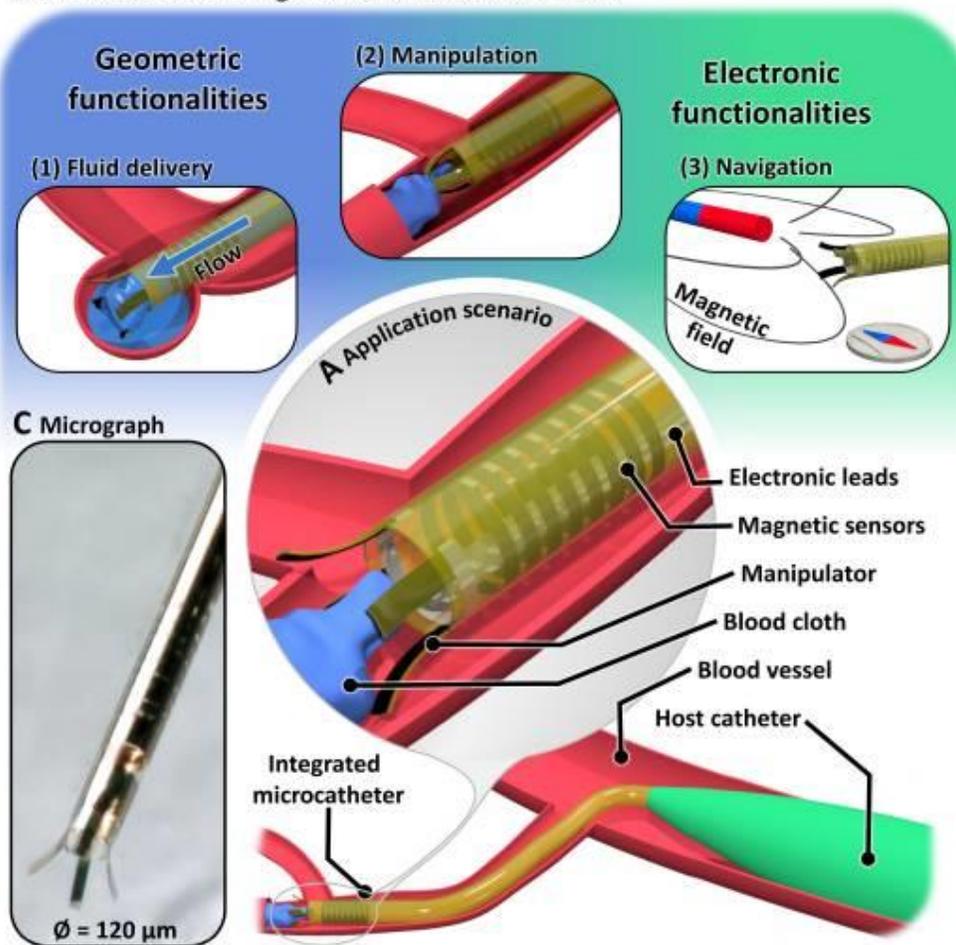
MR fusion with DSA



System architecture for a magnetically guided endovascular microcatheter

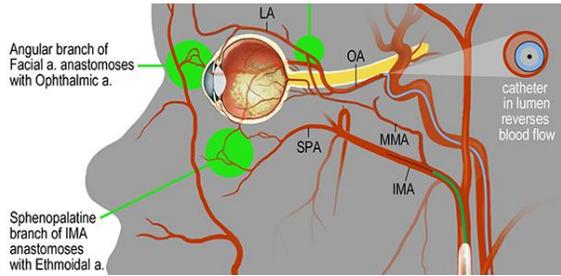
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B Functionalities of integrated self-assembled catheters

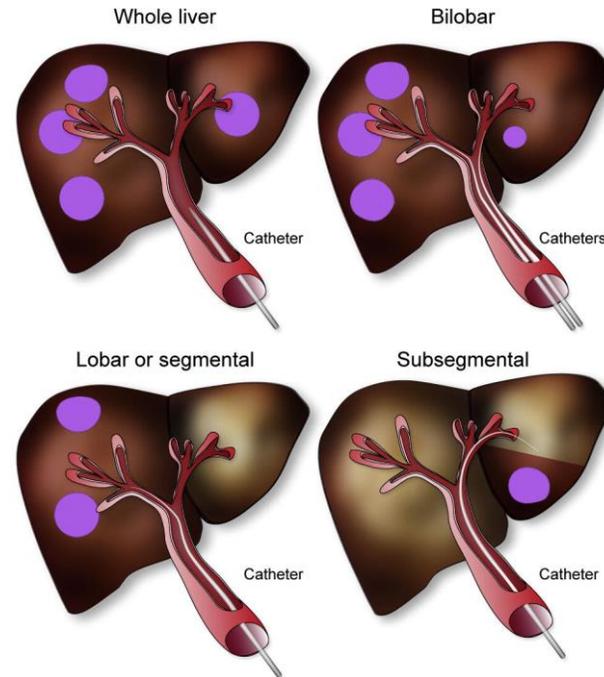


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Intraarterial Chemotherapy Infusion



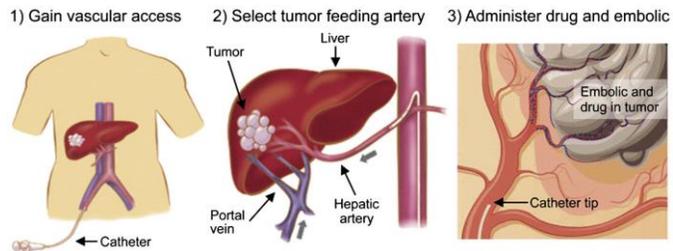
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Endovascular RFA

Endovascular Brachytherapy

Chemotherapy with embolization (TACE)



Future

Thermal therapy

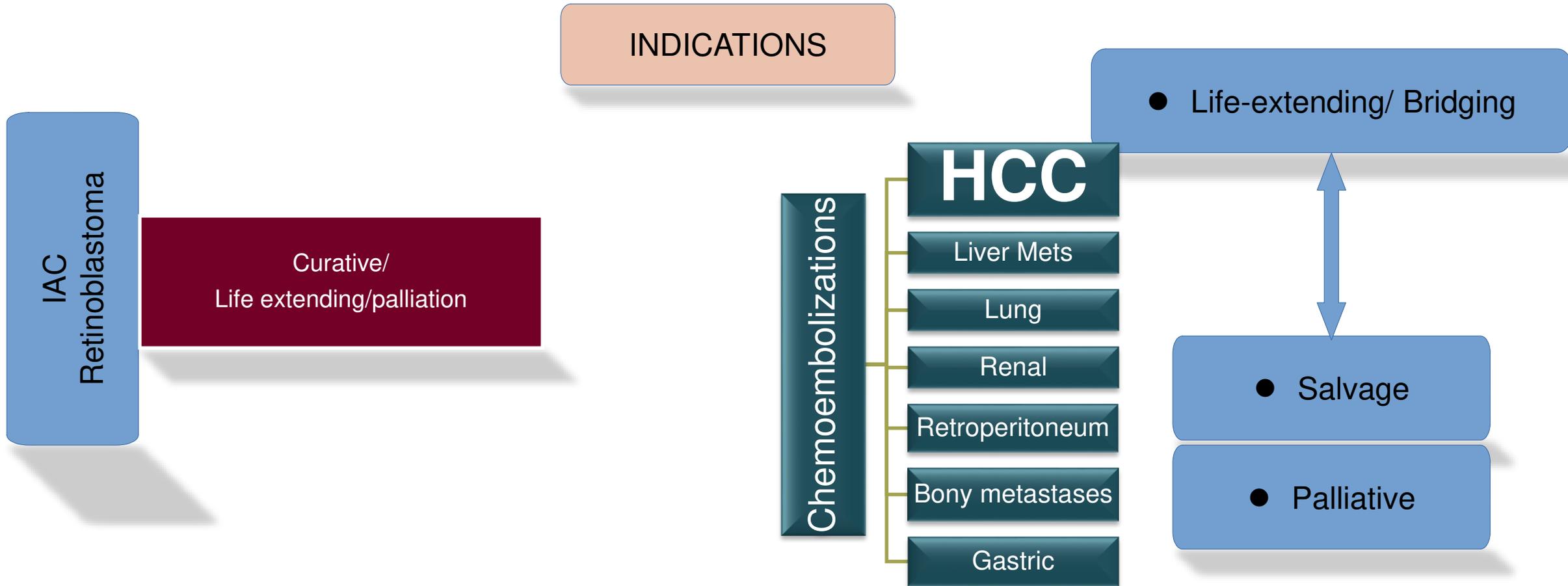
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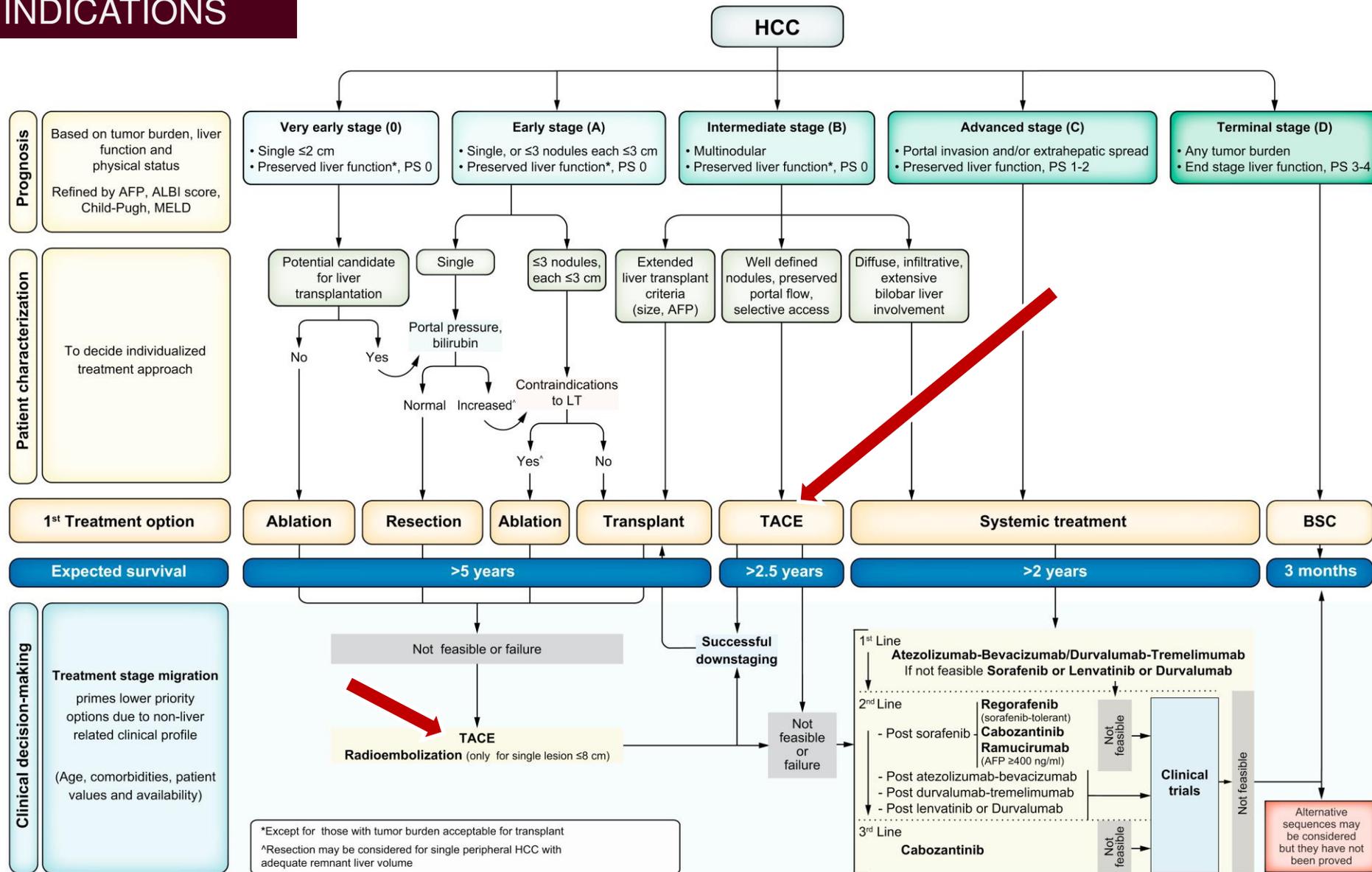
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Goals and Indications



Goal of Intra-arterial vascular therapies

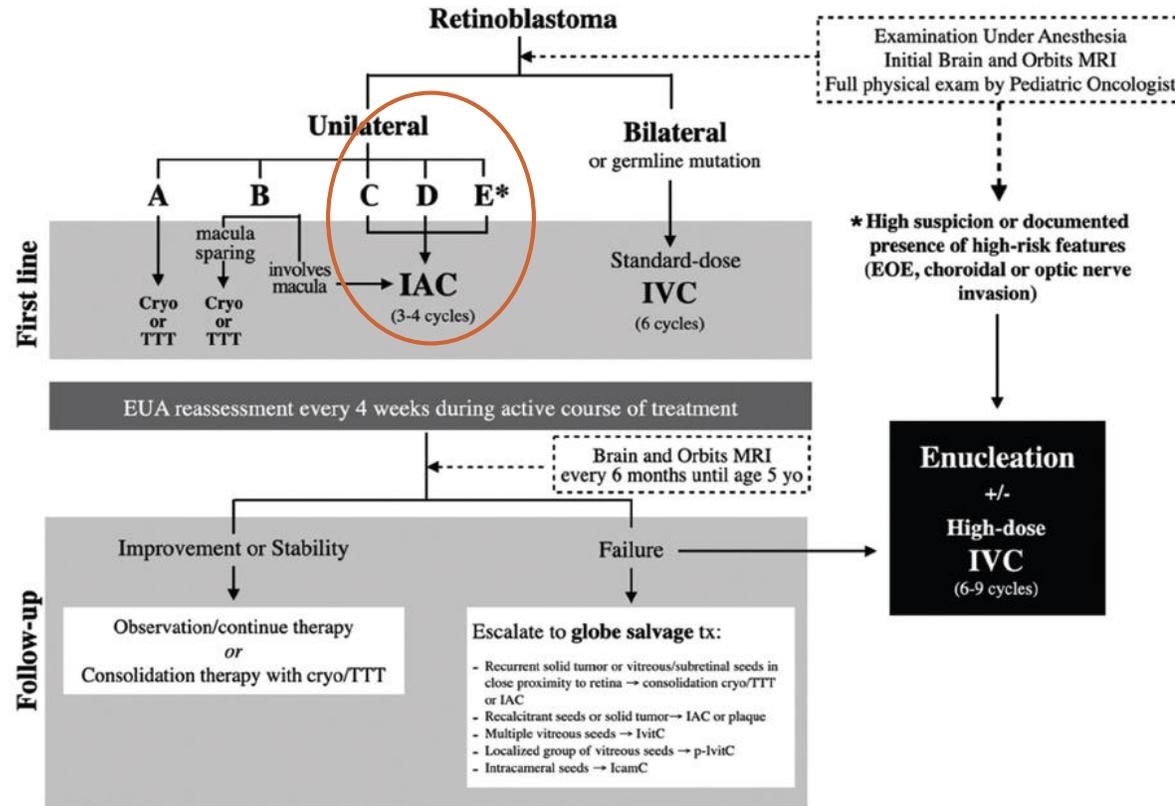




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Retinoblastoma – indications for IAC

Treatment Algorithm for Retinoblastoma based on laterality and ICRB stage



Cryo, cryotherapy; EOE, extra ocular extension; EUA, examination under anesthesia; IAC, intraarterial chemotherapy; IcamC, intracameral chemotherapy; IVC, intravenous chemotherapy; IvitC, intravitreal chemotherapy; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; p-IvitC, precision intravitreal chemotherapy; TTT, transpupillary thermotherapy; tx, treatment; yo, years-old.

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ANNEX 1

MANAGEMENT FOR RETINOBLASTOMA

All E eyes	Enucleate
Unilateral RB Group B-D	Enucleate
Bilateral RB Group A-D	Salvage
Group A	Focal Laser or Cryotherapy
Group B-D	Chemoreduction + focal treatment
Pathology pT2a	No Chemotherapy
Pathology pT2b-PT3a	4 courses of chemotherapy
Pathology pT3b and worse	6 courses of Chemotherapy + Radiotherapy
Proptosis without metastasis	Chemotherapy before enucleation
Metastasis	Palliative chemotherapy/radiotherapy

PROCEDURE TYPES OR SUBSETS

QI Definitions

- **Technical success** is defined as successful advancement of a catheter into a tumor vascular supply and transarterial therapy (selected chemotherapeutic and embolic agents) administration according to an investigator-designated plan (32).
- **Clinical success** is defined as technique effectiveness resulting in the desired clinical outcome (eg, effective palliation, bridging to transplantation, or tumor downstaging).
- **Technique effectiveness** is defined by response to treatment assessed at imaging follow-up at a prospectively defined time point (eg, 1–3 months after a treatment cycle) using standardized, validated radiologic response criteria (86–89).
- **Effective palliation** is defined by control or elimination of cancer-related symptoms (as in patients with symptomatic, hormone-secreting NETs) or by clinical outcome improvement quantified using standard oncologic measures such as OS, PFS, or TTP (as in tumors such as HCC and CLM).
- **Adverse events** are defined as any unfavorable and unintended sign (including an abnormal laboratory finding), symptom, or disease temporally associated with the use of a medical treatment or procedure that may or may not be considered related to the medical treatment or procedure (32).

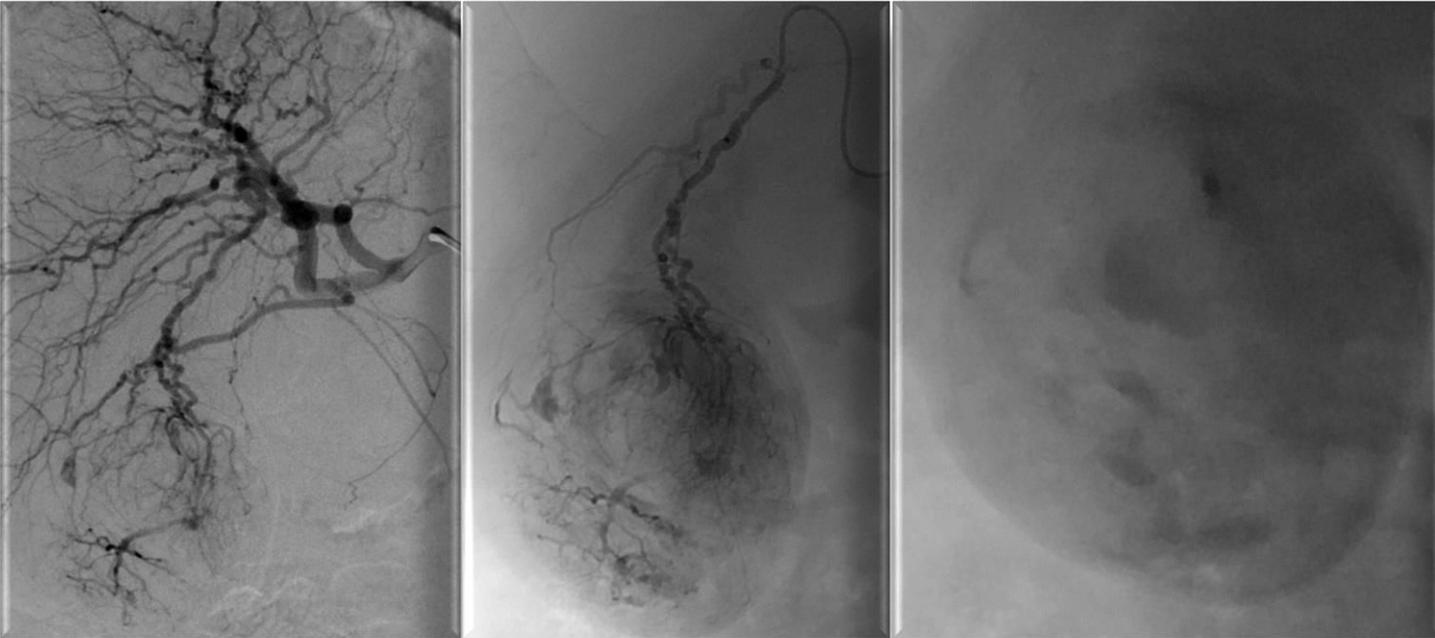
Success / effectiveness Criteria



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Technical success - Percutaneous placement of catheter in hepatic artery/branches followed by injection

TACE

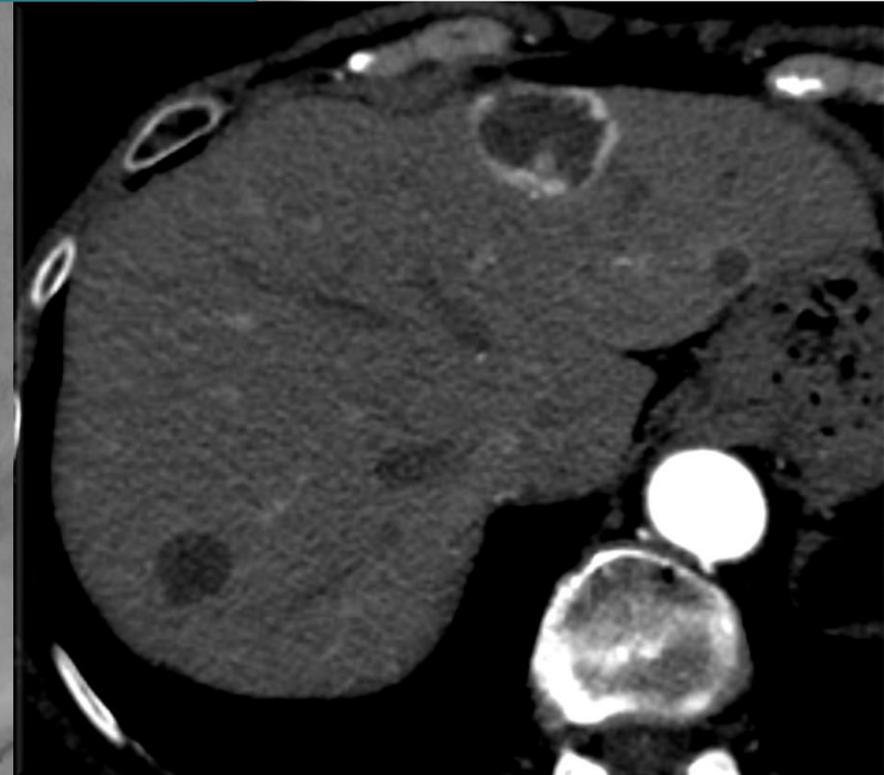
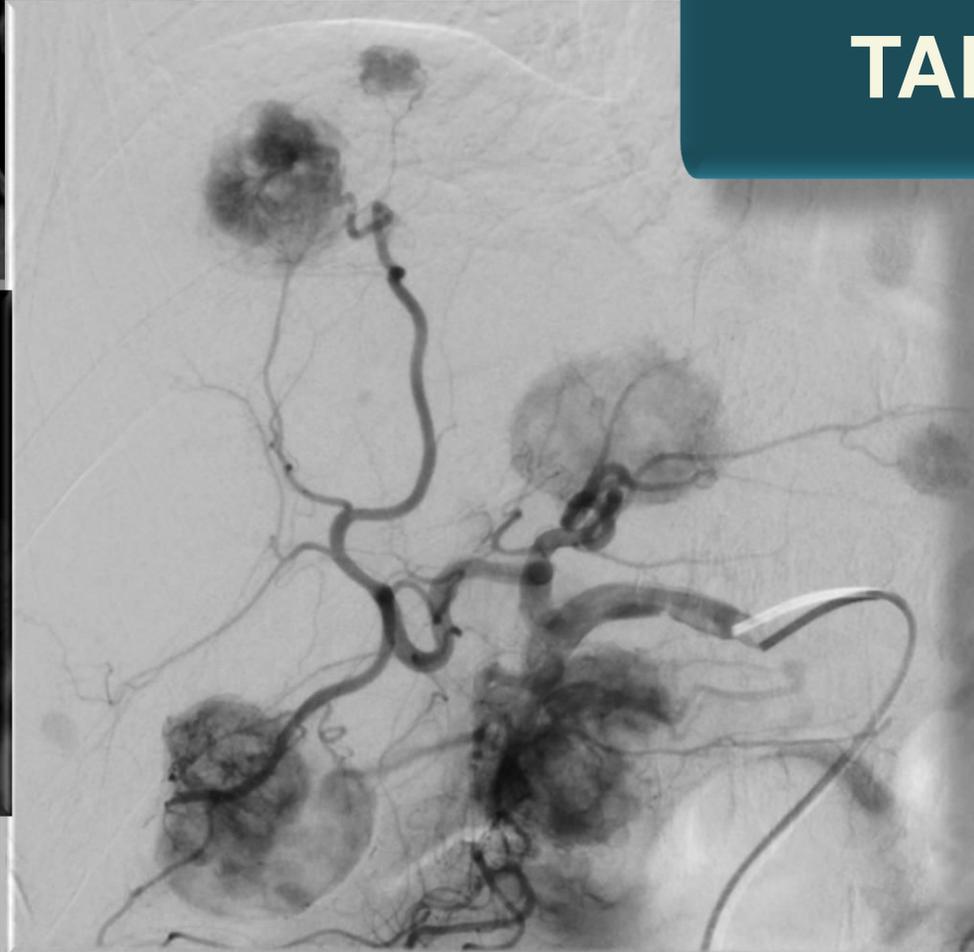
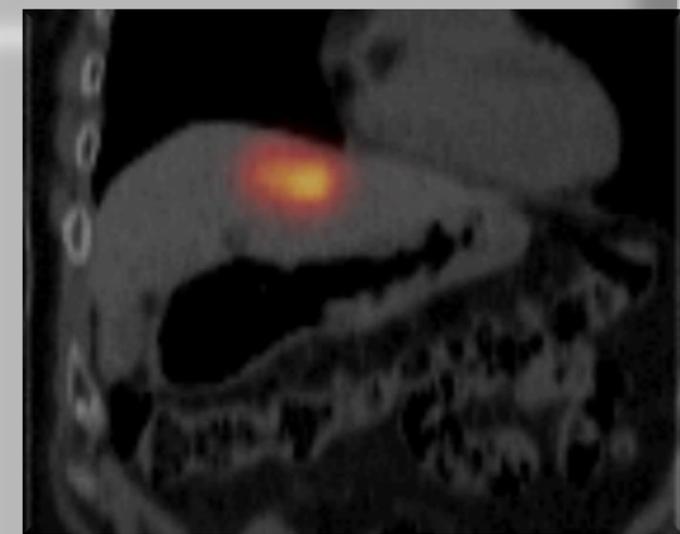
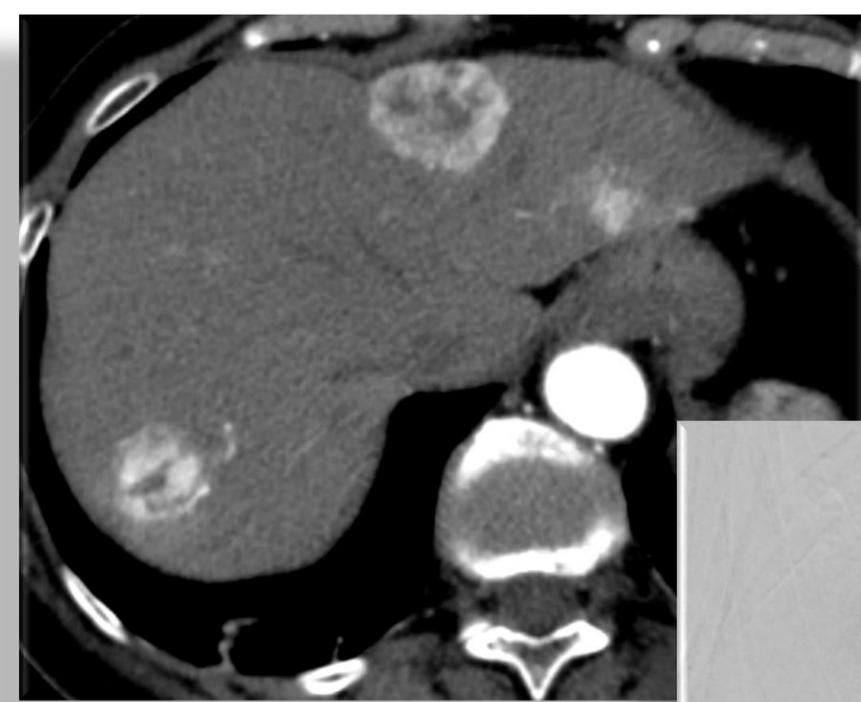


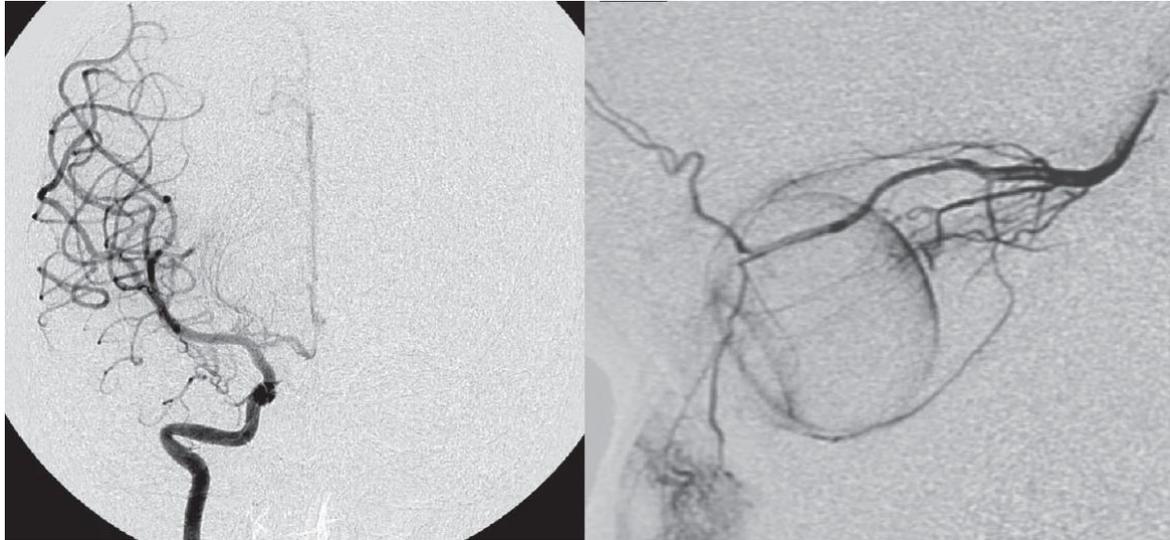
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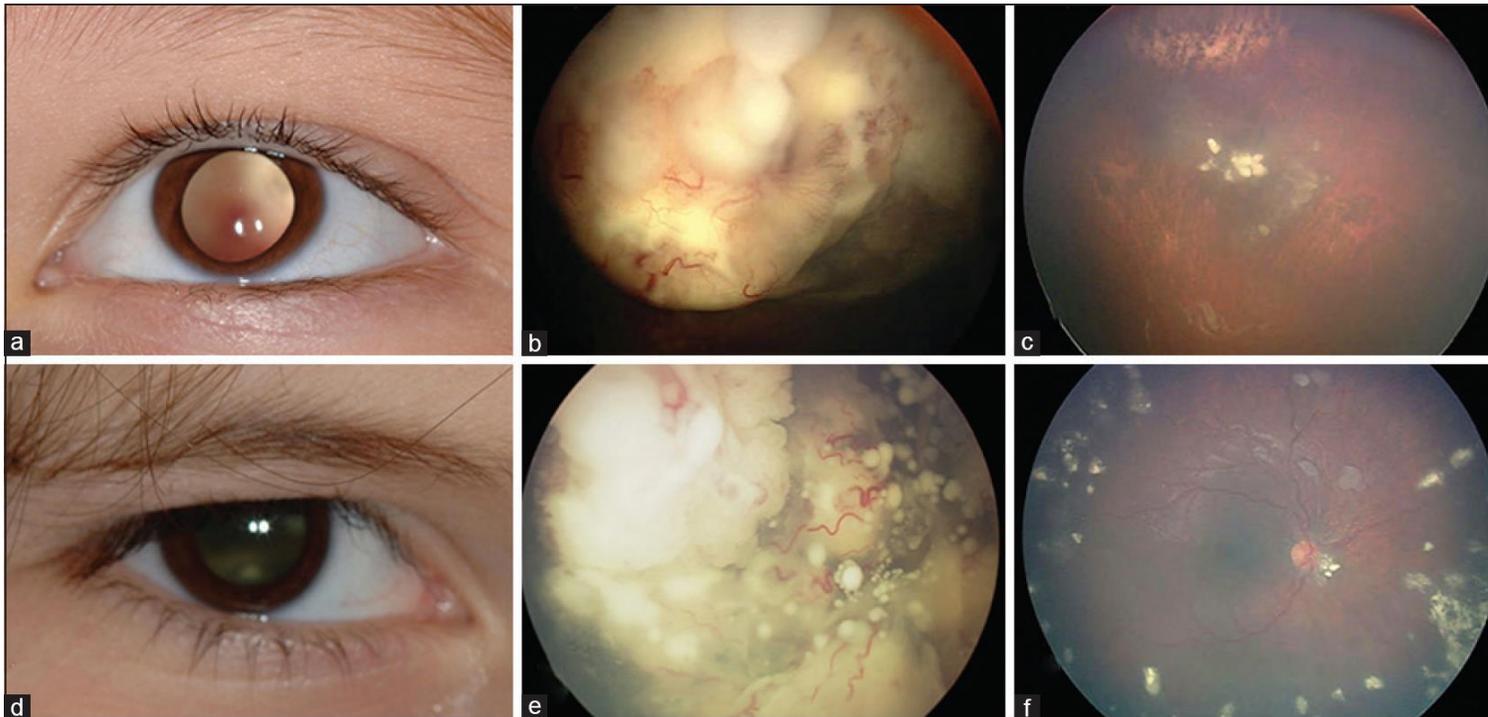


Clinical Success - Achieving the Clinical goal

Personalized medicine and retinoblastoma treatment

Globe-salvaging therapies are minimizing the need for enucleation for the most common primary intraocular malignancy of childhood.

By Victor M. Villegas, MD, and Timothy G. Murray, MD, MBA, FACS



IAC- Retinoblastoma

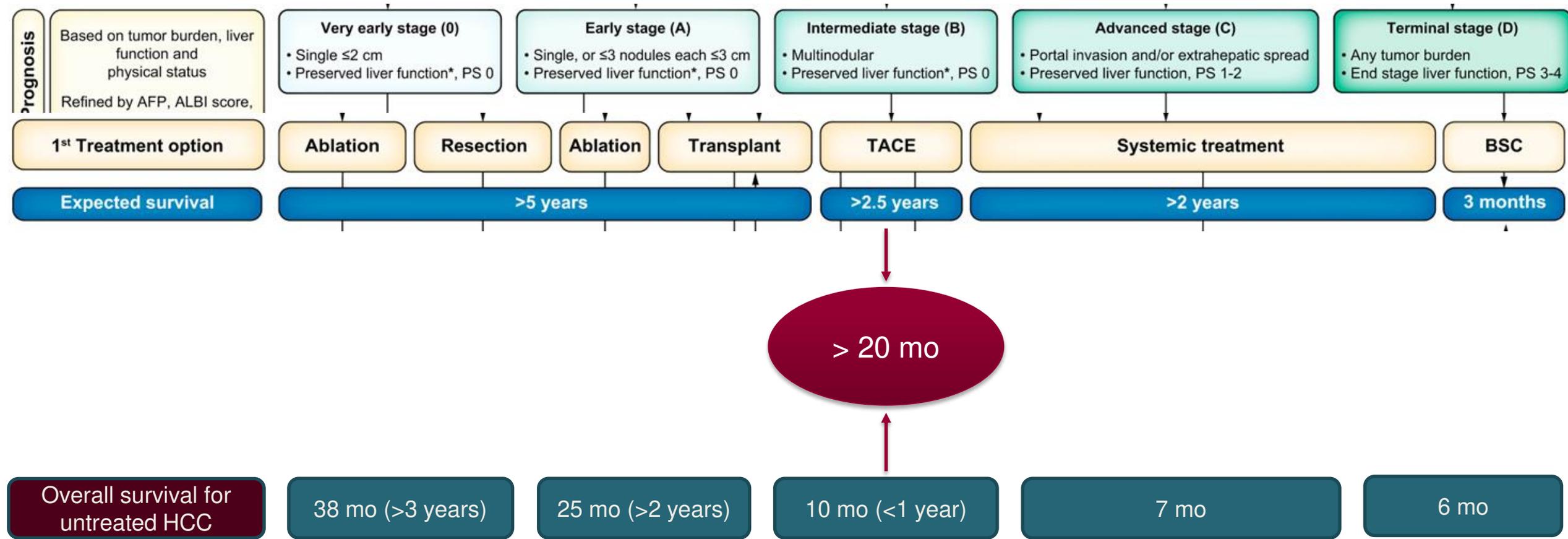
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Management of retinoblastoma in older children (>5 years) using intra-arterial chemotherapy: Comparison of outcomes to prechemotherapy and intravenous chemotherapy eras

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Survival benefit after TACE



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Benefits of intra-arterial therapies for HCC

Response rates and survival are

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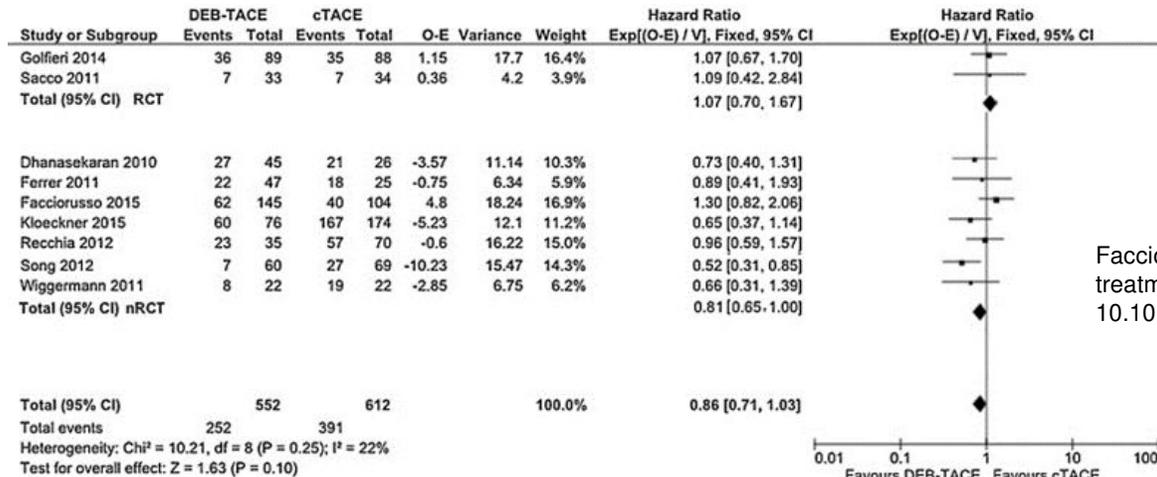
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⁹⁰Y Radioembolization versus Drug-eluting Bead Chemoembolization for Unresectable Hepatocellular Carcinoma: Results from the TRACE Phase II Randomized Controlled Trial

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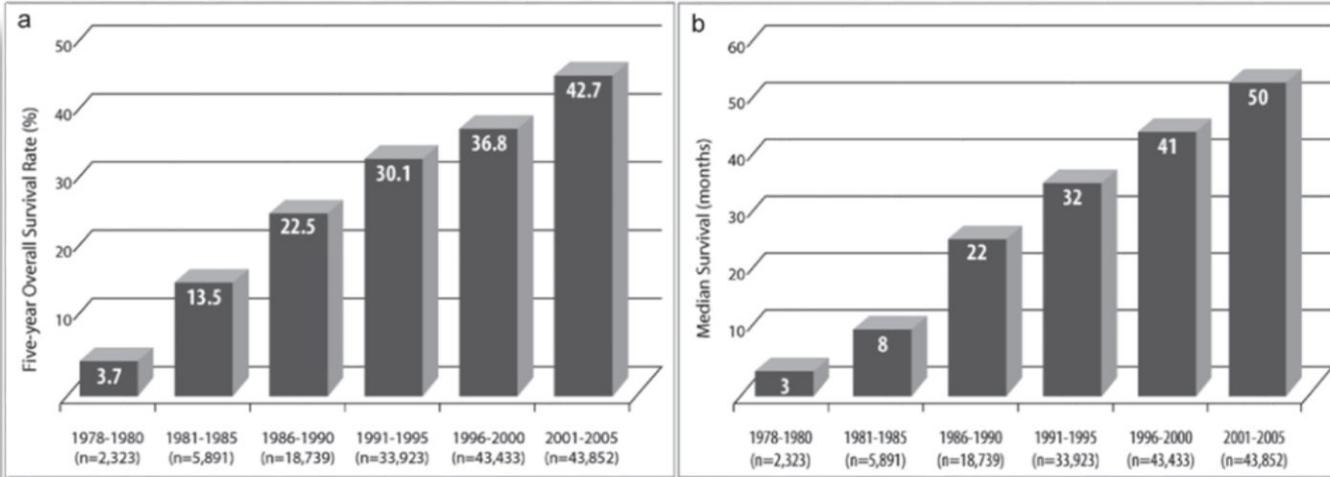
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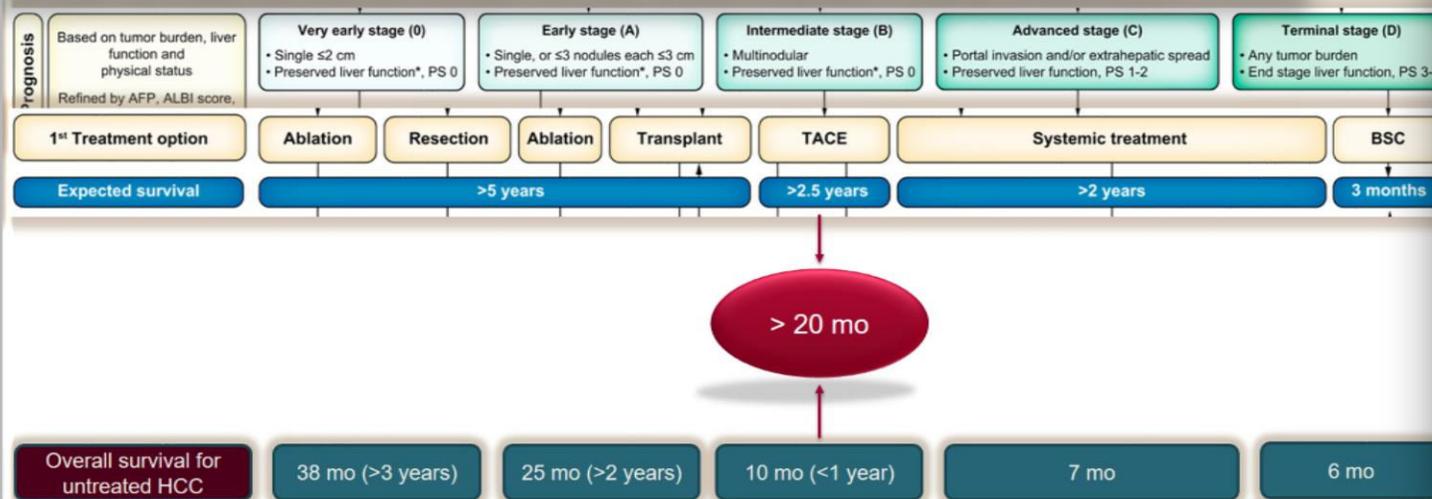
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Survival benefit for HCC



Five-year OS rates (a) and (b) median OS over 5-year intervals in patients with HCC



Survival Analysis over 28 Years of 173,378 Patients with Hepatocellular Carcinoma in Japan

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Table 2. Five-year OS rates (%) in patients who underwent resection, ablation, TACE, and HAIC assorted by year of initial diagnosis

	Resection (n=42,713)		Ablation (n=37,196)		TACE (n=61,460)		HAIC (n=14,246)	
	n	5-year OS rate, %	n	5-year OS rate, %	n	5-year OS rate, %	n	5-year OS rate, %
1978-1980	505	14.5			93	5.4	889	2.5
1981-1985	2,363	28.7*			1,682	17.8*	1,755	8.3*
1986-1990	5,959	40.5*	1,962	32.8	8,423	22.3*	1,821	14.6*
1991-1995	9,822	49.5*	7,246	37.7*	14,806	26.2*	1,079	16.0
1996-2000	11,562	54.5*	12,923	43.1*	18,037	30.5*	3,198	32.0*
2001-2005	12,502	58.4*	15,065	47.6*	18,419	35.0*	5,504	31.9

*p<0.0001 compared with the preceding time period.

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cTACE or DEB-TACE??

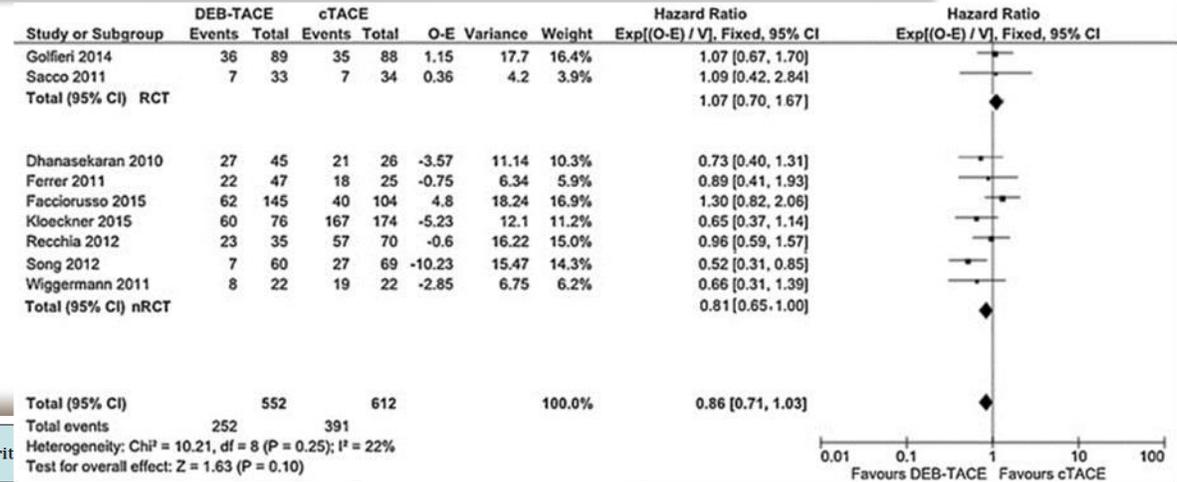
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Type	DEM-TACE/c-TACE Numbers	Child-Pugh A/B/C (%)	BCLC A/B/C (%)	Crit	Total (95% CI)	Total events	Heterogeneity: Chi ² = 10.21, df = 8 (P = 0.25); I ² = 22% Test for overall effect: Z = 1.63 (P = 0.10)
Lammer et al. 2010 (26)	P 93 vs. 108	82.8/17.2/0 vs. 82.4/17.6/0	25.8/74.2/0 vs. 26.9/73.1/0	EASL	51.6 vs. 43.5	N/A	N/A
Dhanasekaran et al. 2010 (33)	R 45 vs. 26	48.9/24.4/26.7 vs. 42.3/42.3/15.4	N/A	N/A	N/A	20.3/0 vs. 13.4/0	N/A
Ferrer Puchol et al. 2011 (60)	P 47 vs. 25	Both group 87.5/12.5/0	N/A	RECIST	36.1 vs. 15.3	22.4/25.5 vs. 23.6/22.9	N/A
Song et al. 2012 (59)	R 60 vs. 69	93.3/6.7/0 vs. 89.9/10.1/0	45/55/0 vs. 40.6/59.4/0	mRECIST	81.6 vs. 49.4	0/32.2 vs. 0/24.7	1 y 88% vs. 67%
Kloeckner et al. 2015 (61)	R 76 vs. 174	67.1/28.9/3.9 vs. 59.2/36.8/4	10.5/44.7/ 39.5/5.3 vs. 17.2/33.9/ 44.3/4.6	N/A	N/A	12.3/0 vs. 13.6/0	N/A
Kucukay et al. 2015 (62)	R 53 vs. 73	N/A	54.7/35.8/9.6 vs. 39.7/54.8/5.5	N/A	N/A	0/37.4 vs. 0/39	1 y 95.9% vs. 84.9% 2 y 92.3% vs. 74.6%
Arabi et al. 2015 (63)	R 35 vs. 25	68/32/0 vs. 88/12/0	N/A	mRECIST	35 vs. 36	N/A	2 y 58% vs. 60%
Megias Vericat et al. 2015 (64)	R 30 vs. 30	46.7/53.3/0 vs. 66.7/33.3/0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5 y 20% vs. 30%
Rahman et al. 2016 (65)	R 45 vs. 34	N/A	20/80/0 vs. 32/68/0	mRECIST	39 vs. 29	8.3/0 vs. 4.9/0	N/A
Baur et al. 2016 (66)	R 14 vs. 18	78.6/21.4/0 vs. 58.8/29.7/11.8	N/A	N/A	N/A	9.2/0 vs. 10.8/0	N/A
Massani et al. 2017 (67)	R 28 vs. 54	85.7/14.3/0 vs. 83.3/16.7/0	10.7/14.3/75 vs. 18.5/50/31.5	N/A	N/A	22.7/29.4 vs. 21.8/27	N/A
Lee et al. 2017 (68)	R 106 vs. 144	80.2/19.8/0 vs. 66.0/34.0/0	18.9/72.6/8.5 vs. 34/50.7/15.3	mRECIST	86.8 vs. 78.3	46.6/0 vs. 44.9/0	N/A

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Table 6. Thresholds for Median Survival for Various Tumor Pathologies from Time of Transarterial Chemoembolization or Embolization

Tumor	Median Survival (months)	Representative References	Suggested Threshold (%)*
HCC	20	(8–11,13–15, 96–98,100)	50
ICC	15	(106) [†]	50
Metastatic NET	26	(107) [*]	50
CLM	10	(55–57,112–114,116)	50
Metastatic uveal melanoma [‡]	10	(31,117–120)	50
Metastatic sarcoma	19	(122,123)	50

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Risks and Complications

Major complication incidence
2.1% (24/1120) per patient
0.84% (24/2863) per TAE/TACE
procedure.

Major complications
8.1% per patient
4.9% per procedure

Minor: Postembolization
syndrome 71 (20%) patients

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The incidence and outcome of major complication following conventional TAE/TACE for hepatocellular carcinoma

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Complications of transarterial chemoembolization (TACE) in the treatment of liver tumors

[Article in English, Spanish]

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Outcome for Retinoblastoma – Risk/benefit

2-year radiation-free ocular survival rate is **86 – 90%**

Early intraocular disease (Group B and C eyes) - ocular salvage rates exceeding **85%**.

Group D eyes - ocular salvage rates **>80%** have been reported in specialized centers.

For patients with very advanced intraocular disease – systemic chemotherapy followed by consolidation with intra-arterial melphalan

Salvage treatment for patients with recurrent or progressive disease - globe survival rates **50-75%**

Complications related to intra-arterial chemotherapy

- Retinal detachment (up to 19.3%).
- Vitreous hemorrhage (up to 18.1%)
- Ptosis (13.6%)
- Dysmotility (6.5%)
- Vascular and ischemic effects, including ophthalmic artery occlusion (up to 9%)
- Optic atrophy (3.4%)
- Phthisis (2.7%)

Key outcomes of the widespread adoption of IAC / OAC

- 1. Eliminating the use of EBRT,
- 2. Eliminating the use of systemic multiagent chemotherapy
 - a. Likely eliminating the development of secondary leukemia
 - b. Reducing expense
 - c. Reduced impact on immune function,
 - d. Avoiding associated hindrance of patient growth (height and weight)
- 3. increasing the rate of eye salvage. At MSKCC, this rate has increased from 5 to 95% (42).
- 4. Enabling salvage of eyes that have failed multiagent systemic chemotherapy
- 5. Reducing the time from initiating to completing therapy (2).
- 6. Successful treatment of choroidal invasion, orbital retinoblastoma and optic nerve invasion in select cases (43, 44).
- 7. Enabling cure of eyes with vitreous and or subretinal seeding which was nearly impossible with systemic chemotherapy and usually failed with external beam radiation.
- 8. Avoidance of increased risk of orbital disease or second cancers (45).
- 9. Allowing almost 25% of all eyes with retinal detachment and extinguished ERGs to regain more than 25 μ V of activity (46).

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A life is always worth saving 😊

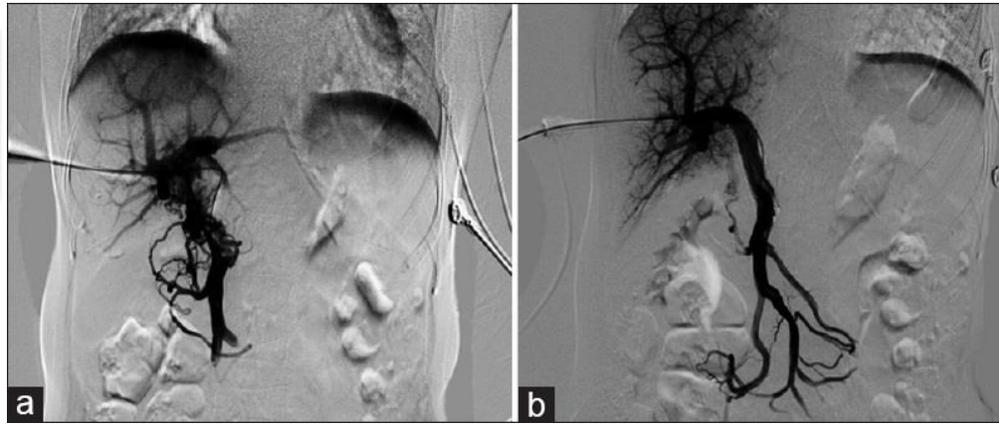


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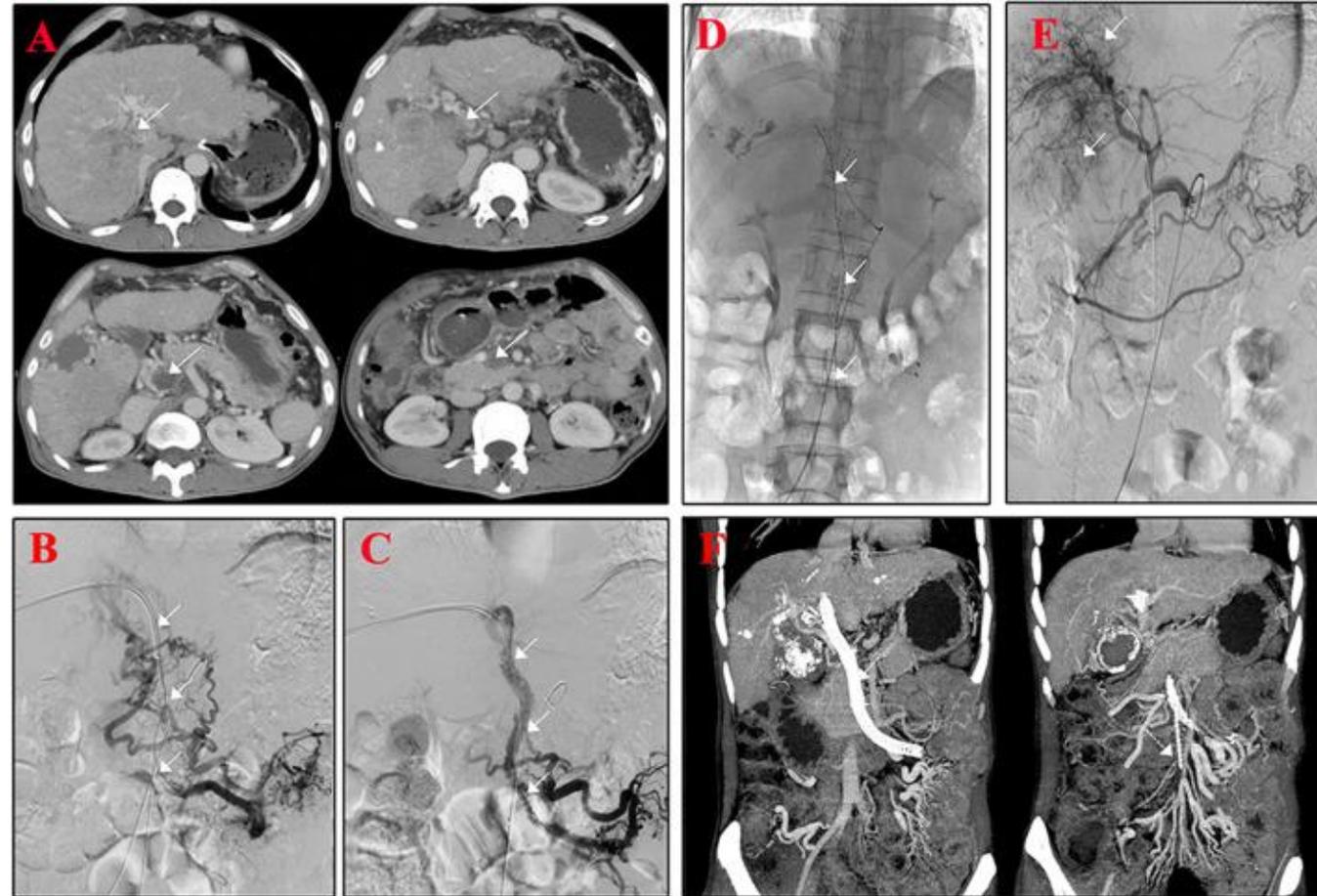
Vascular Palliative therapies in Oncology



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1. Tumor control / Symptom control – Embo/Chemo-embo

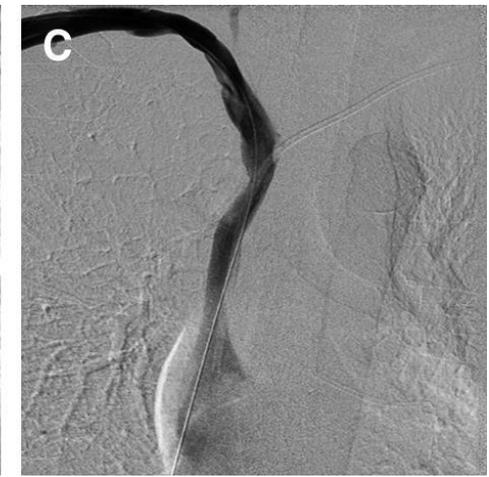
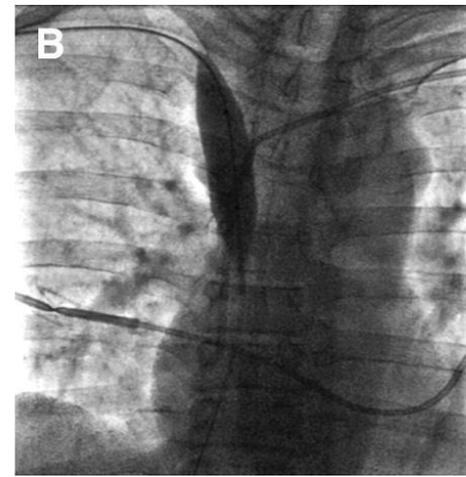
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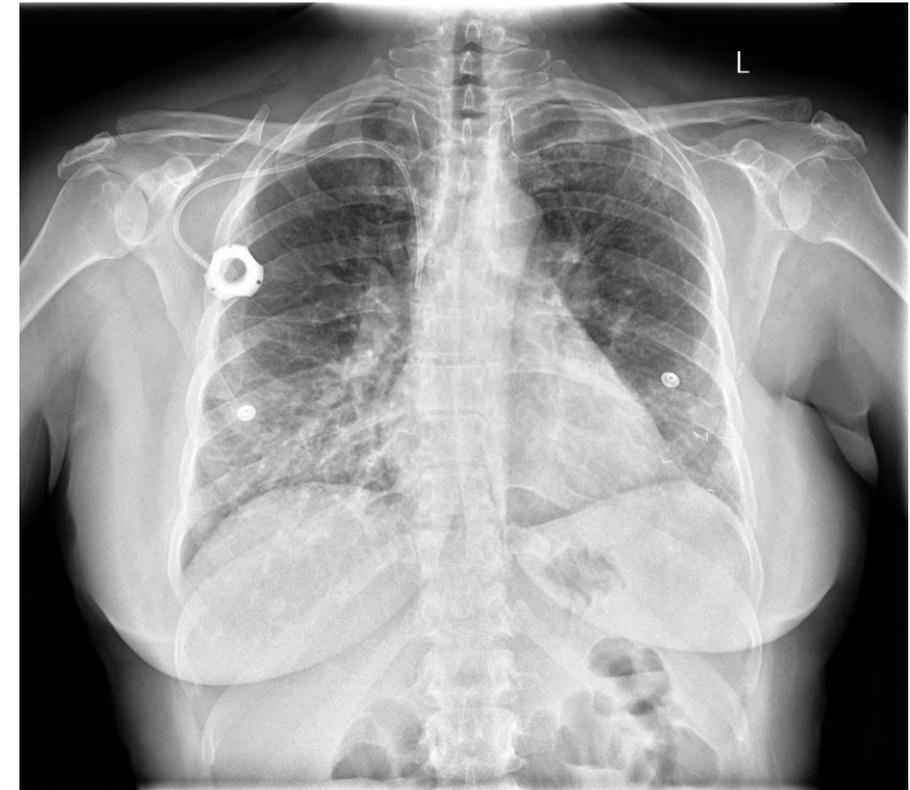


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New Horizons



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Combination therapy

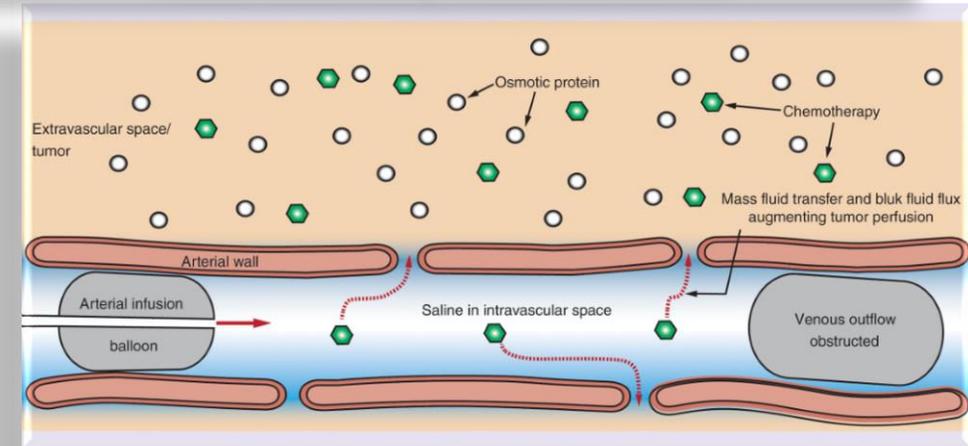
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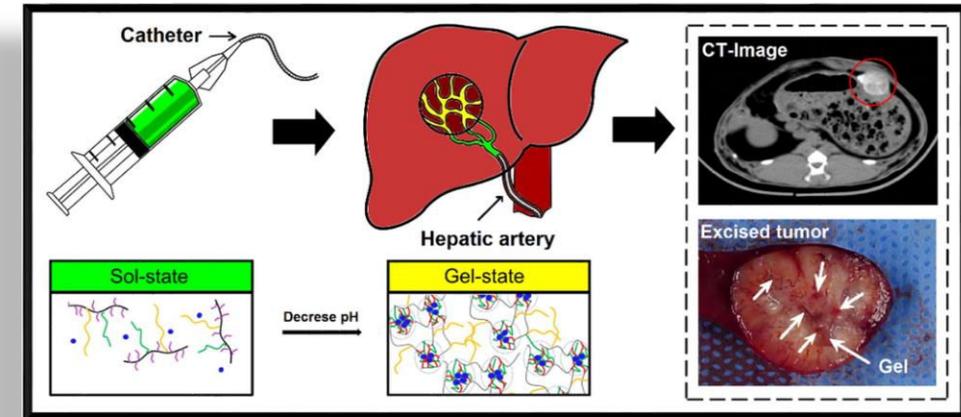
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New Delivery Mechanisms

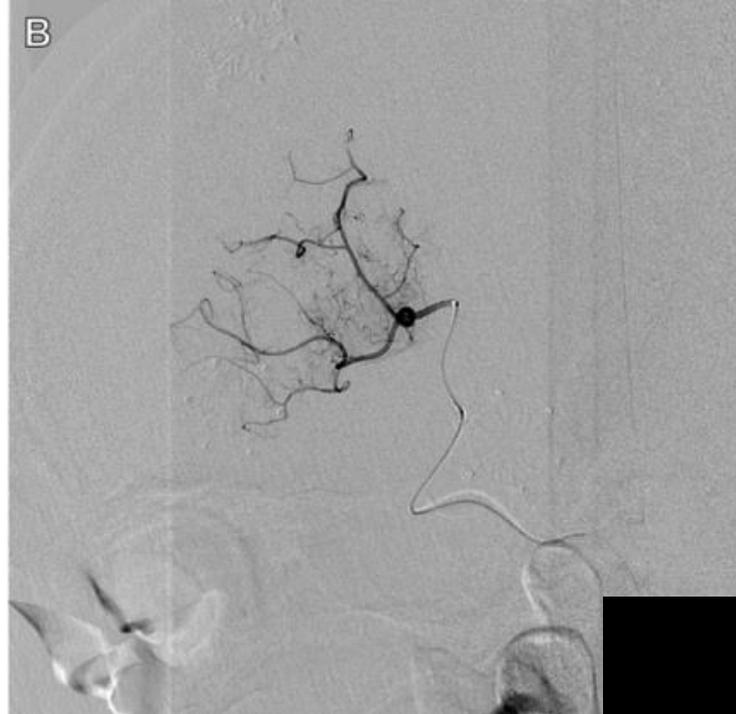
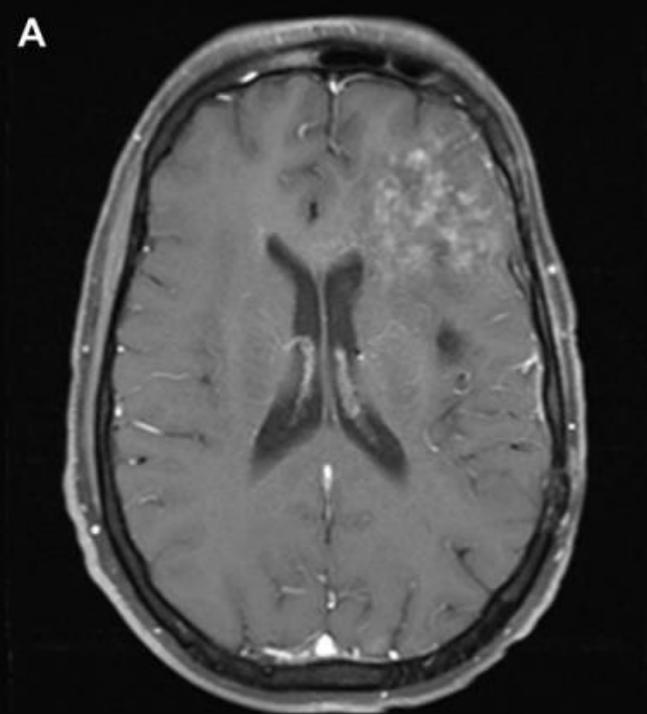


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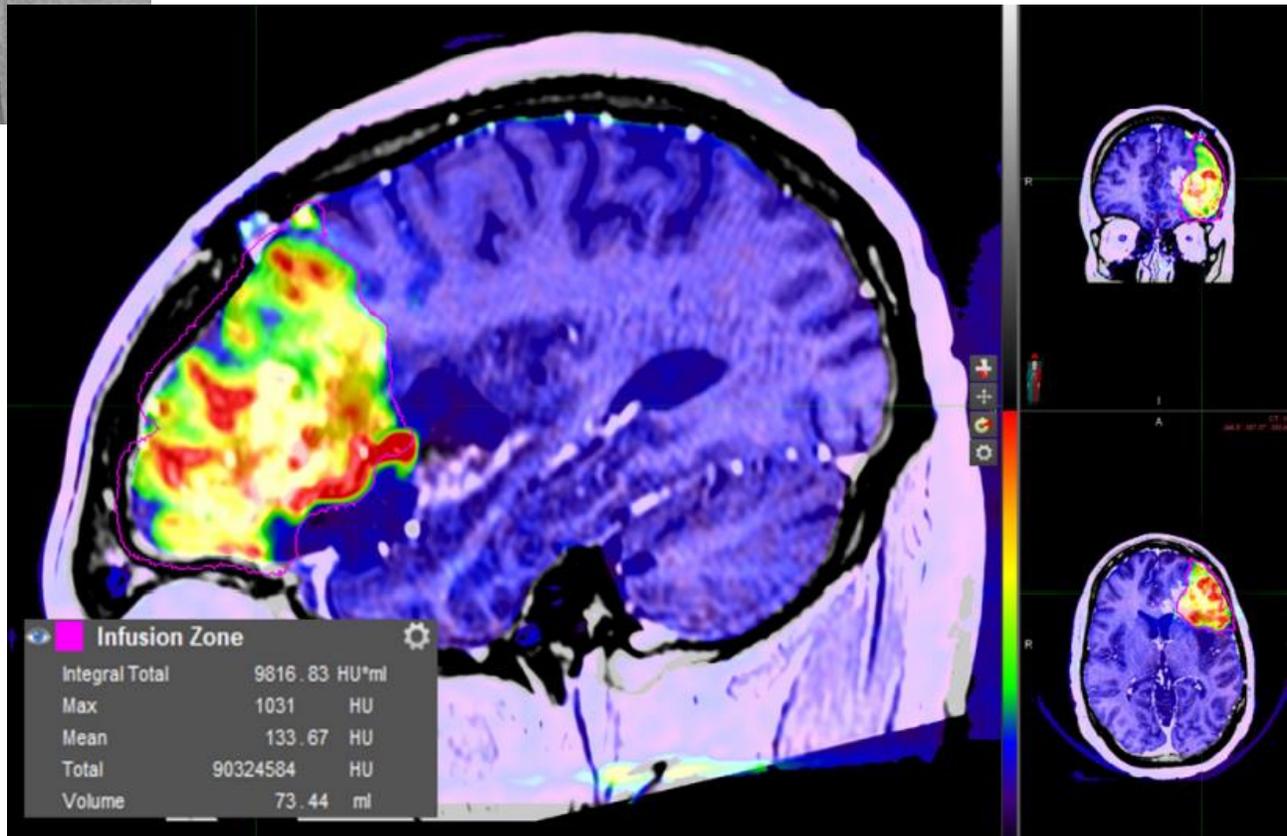


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New horizon – Brain Tumors
Image fusion guided Intra-arterial therapies

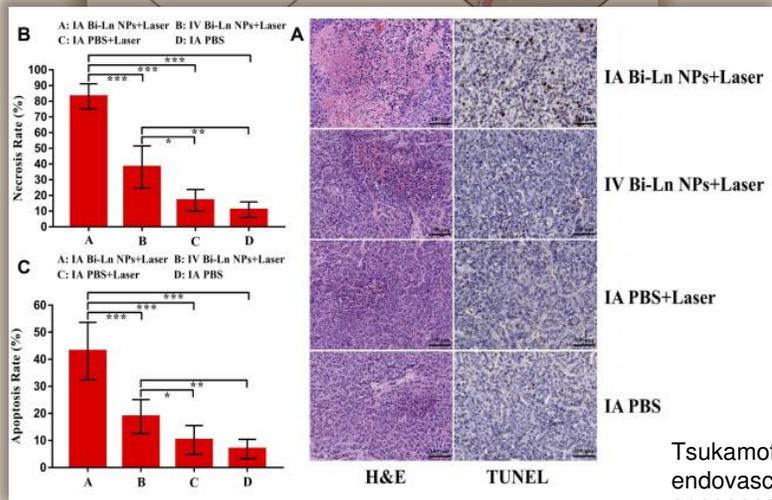
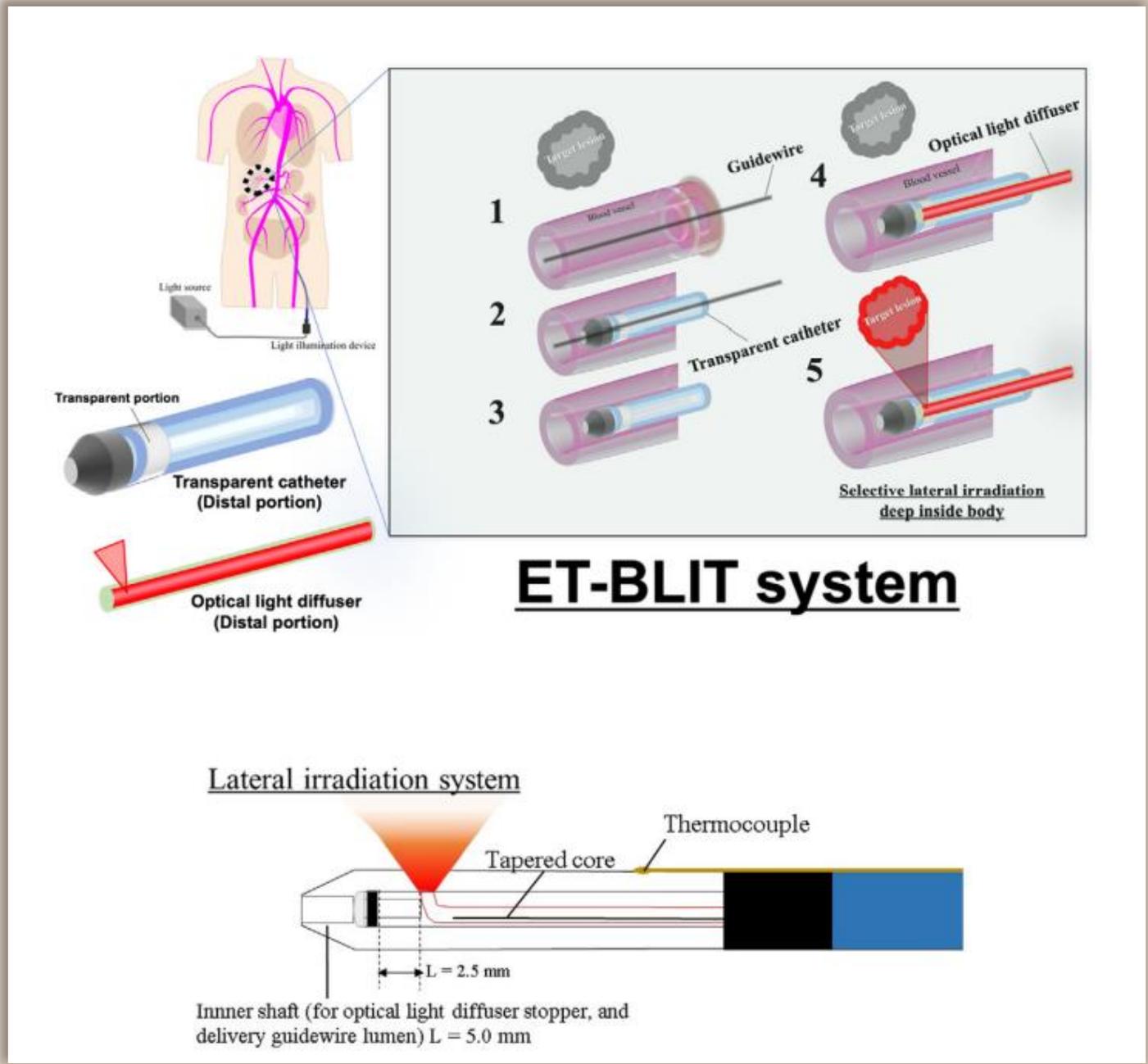
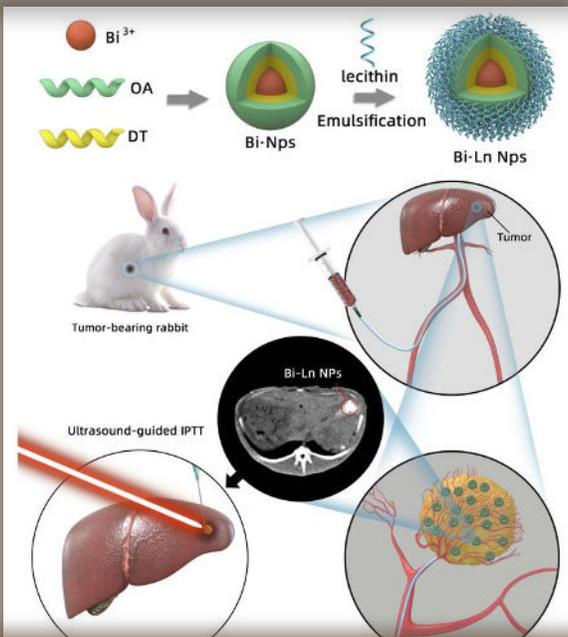


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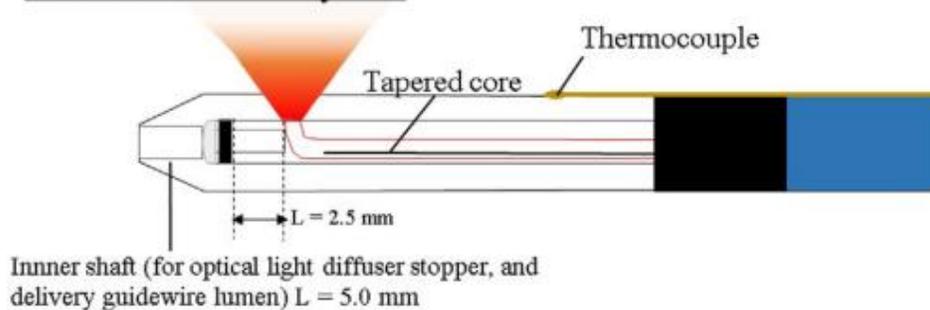


Transcatheter Intra-Arterial Infusion Combined with Interventional Photothermal Therapy for the Treatment of Hepatocellular Carcinoma

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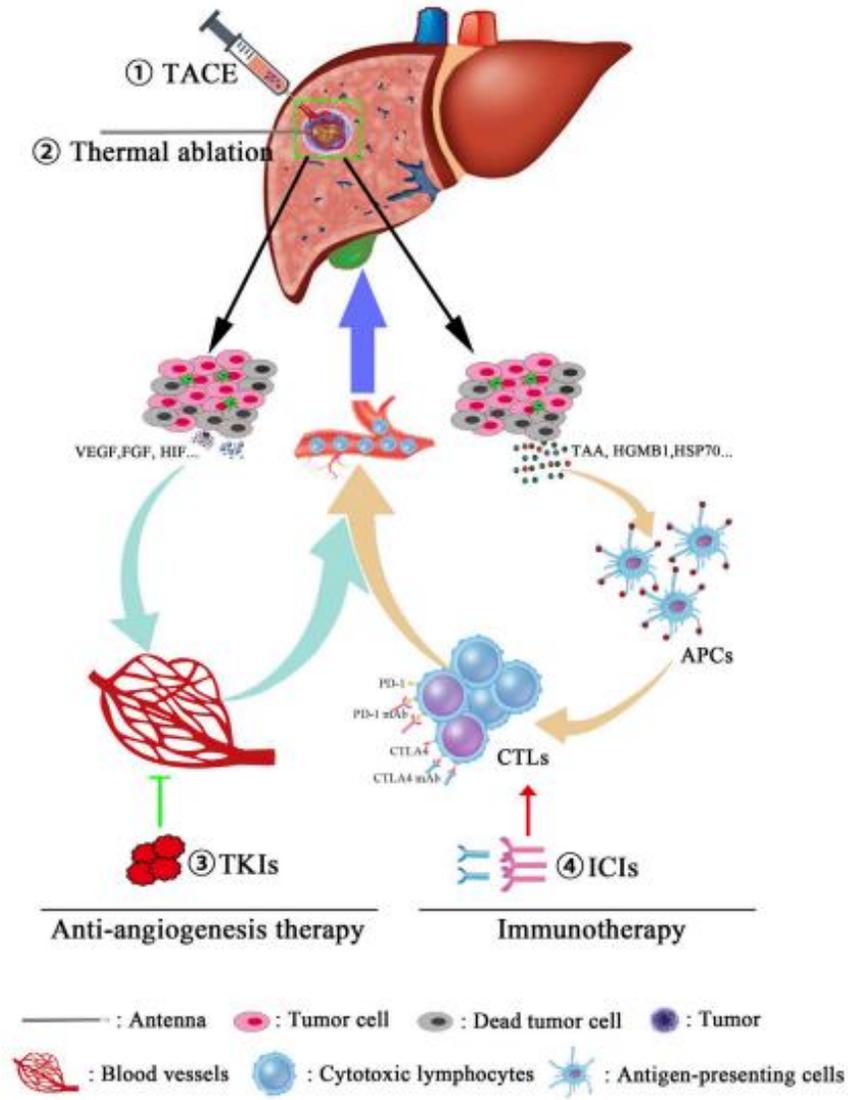
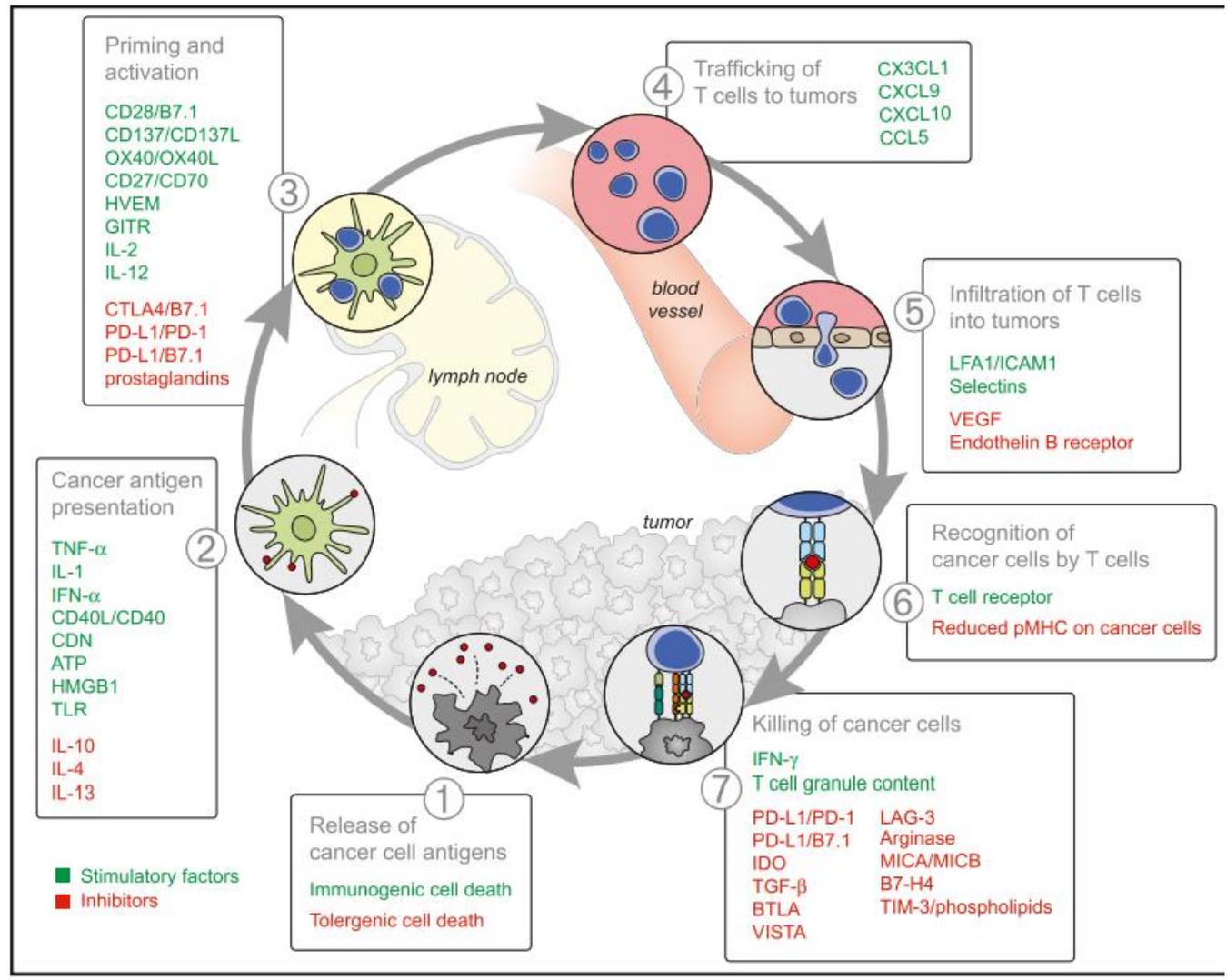
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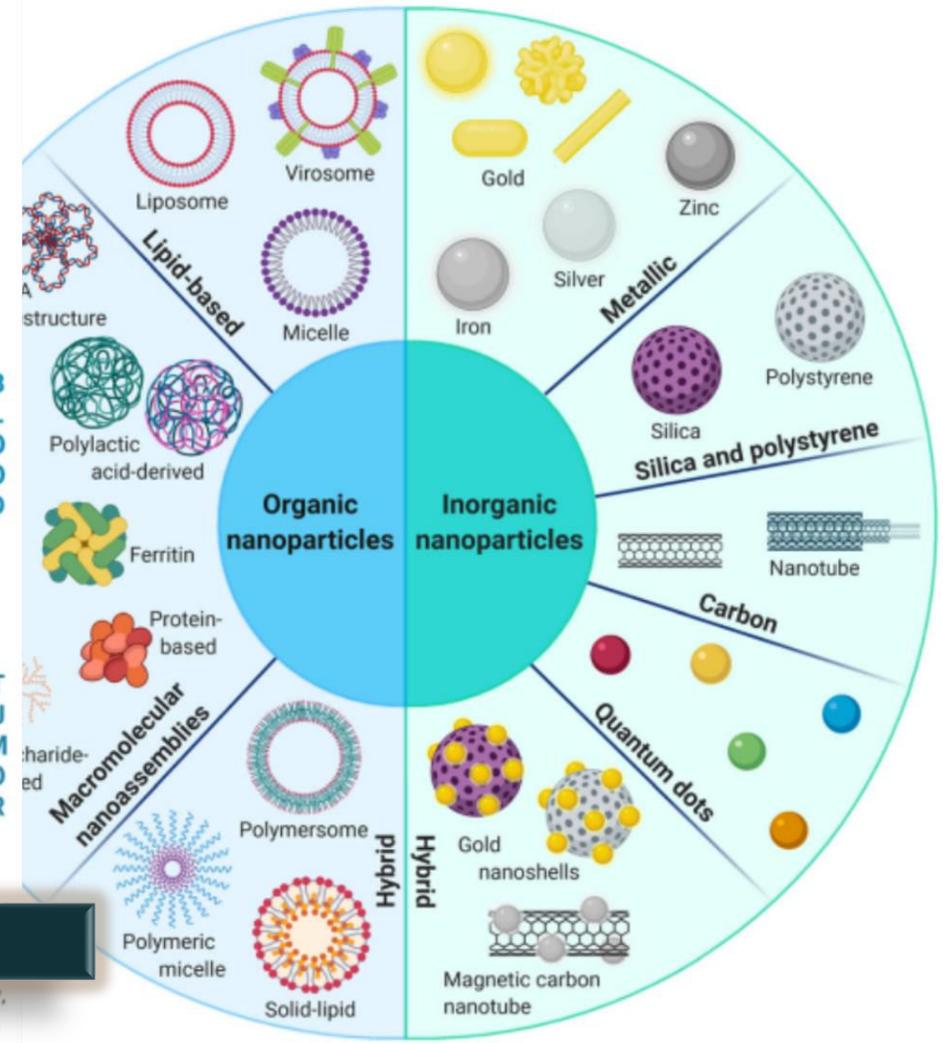
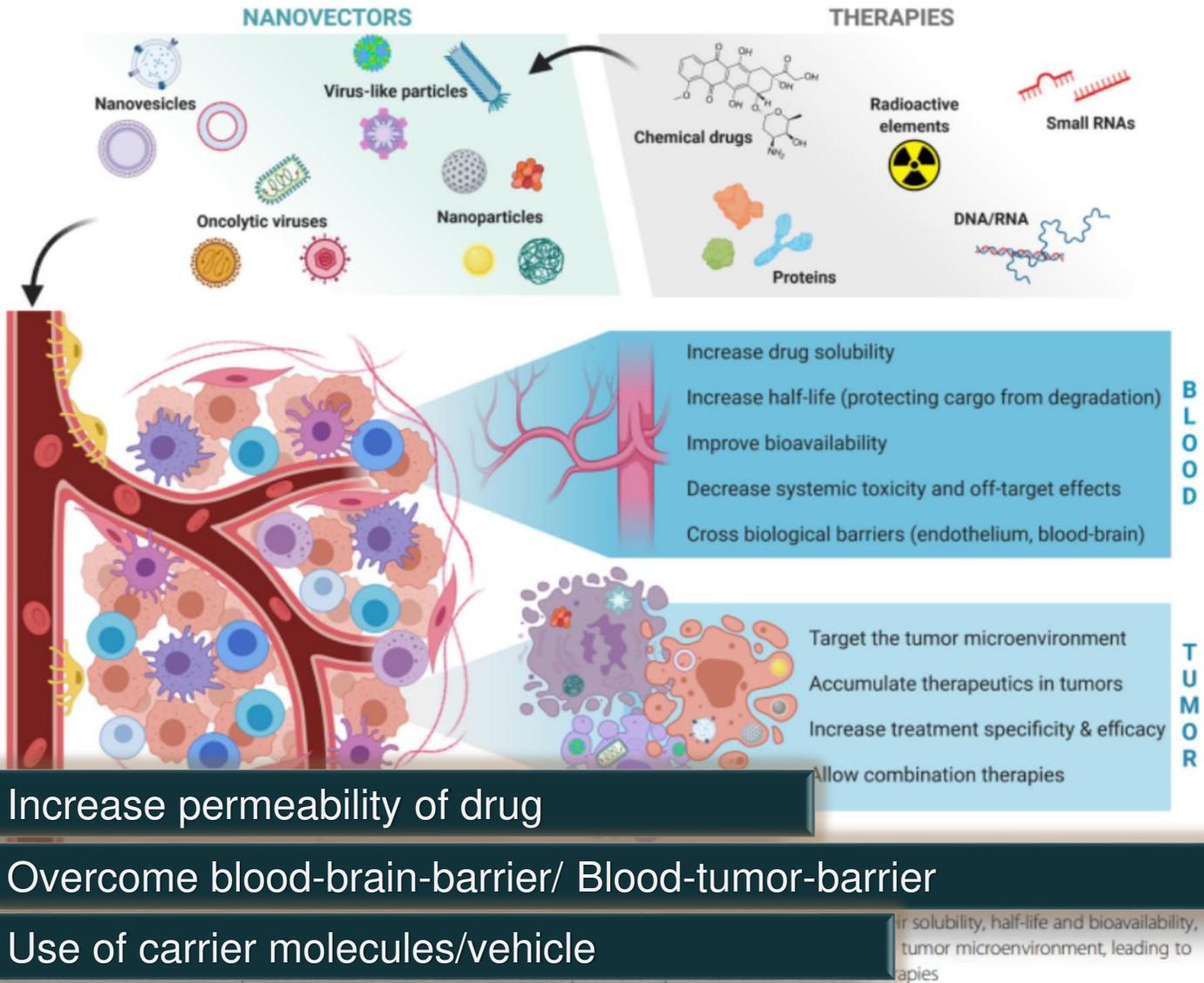
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Newcomers in the horizon 2 - Agents



The Battle is far from over



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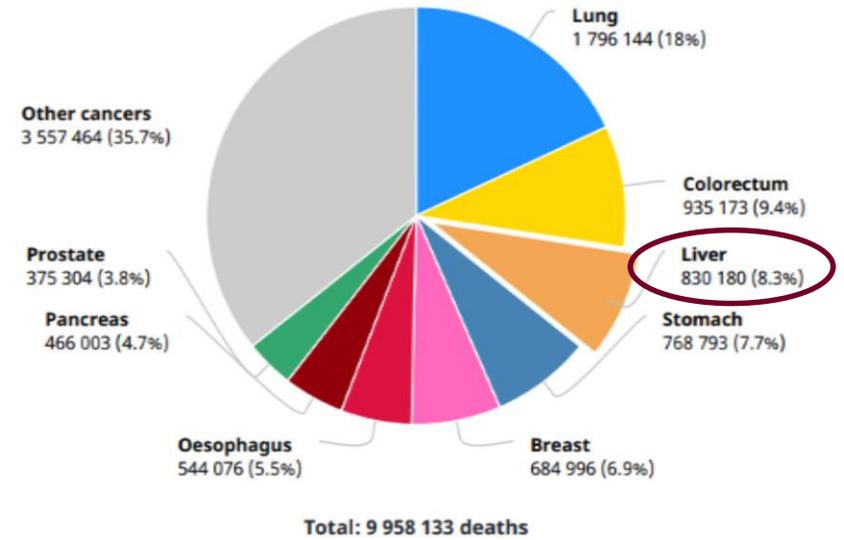
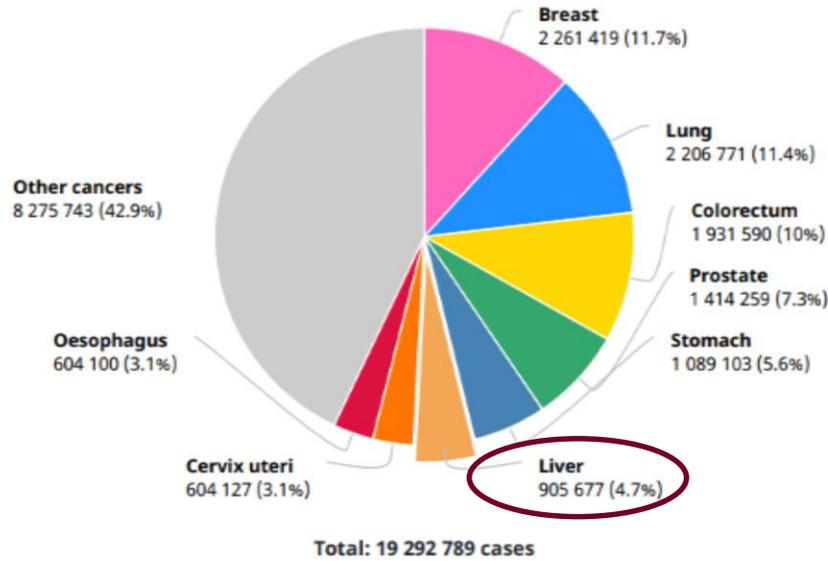
Liver

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Number of new cases in 2020, both sexes, all ages

Number of deaths in 2020, both sexes, all ages



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