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**LA PRATICA CLINICA NELLE
NEOPLASIE NEUROENDOCRINE**

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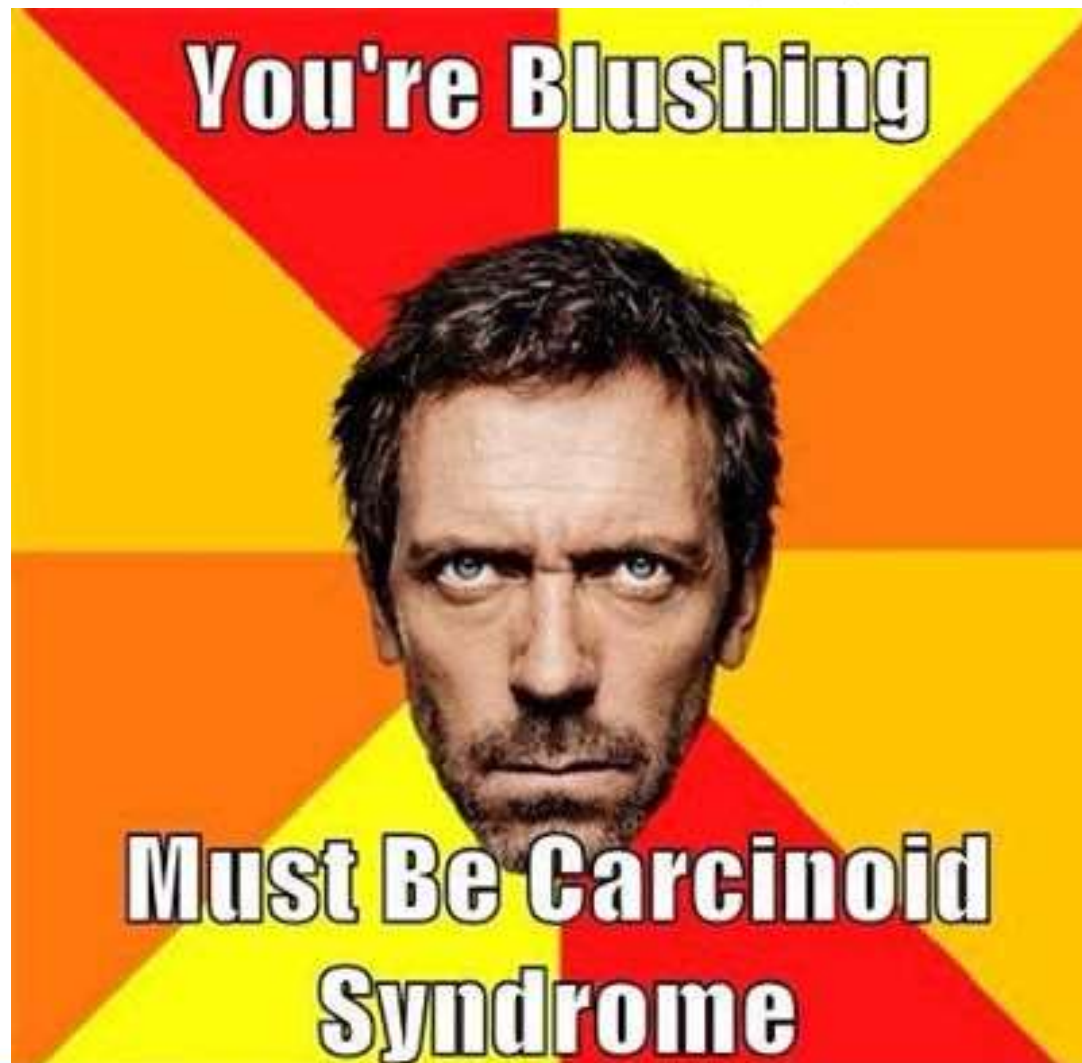


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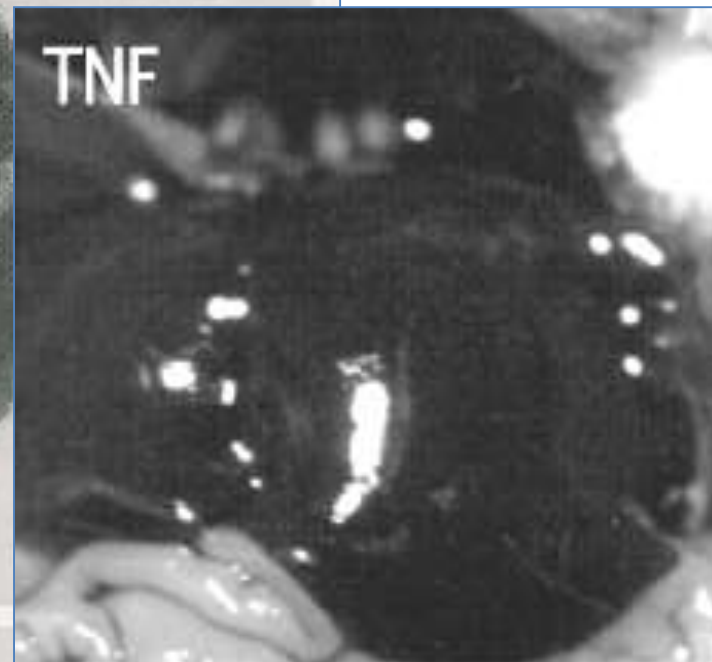
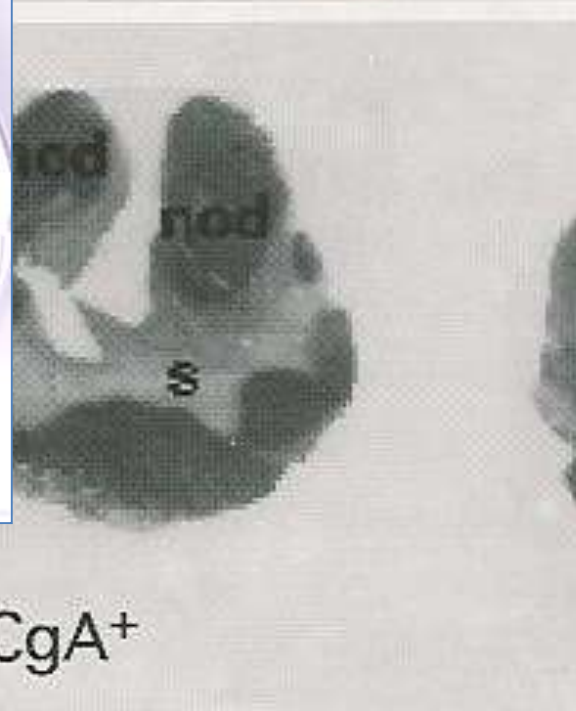
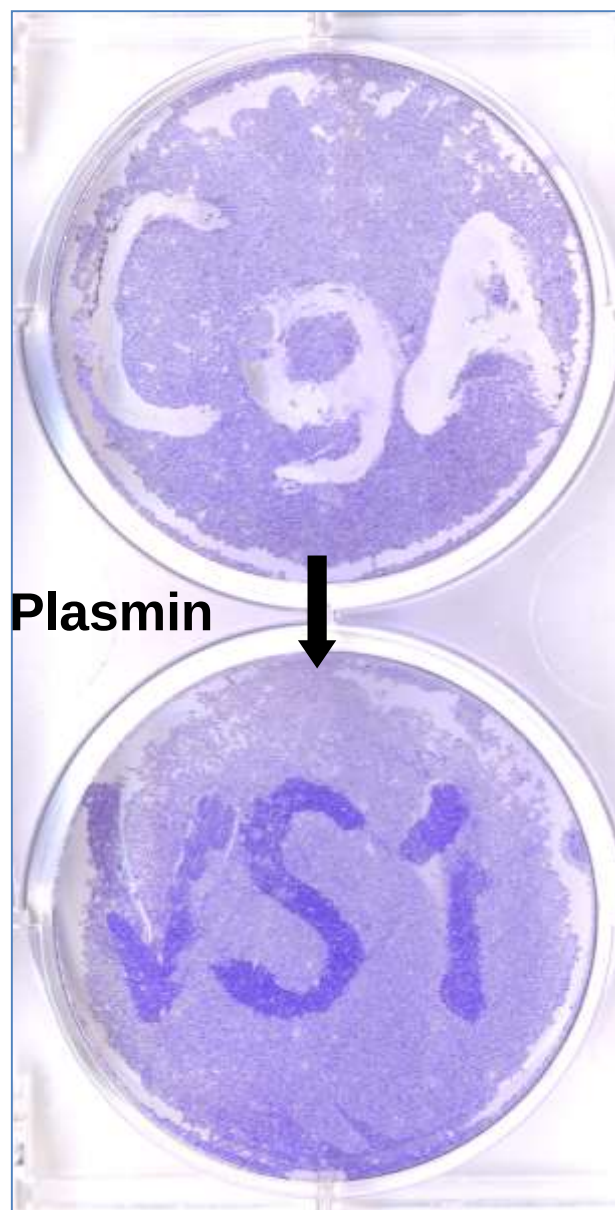
Il marcatore tumorale perfetto:

- ▶ Sensibilità e specificità per lo screening di neoplasia
 - ▶ Sensibilità e specificità per il tipo di malattia/sindrome
 - ▶ Indicatore diagnostico di crescita e potenziale metastatico
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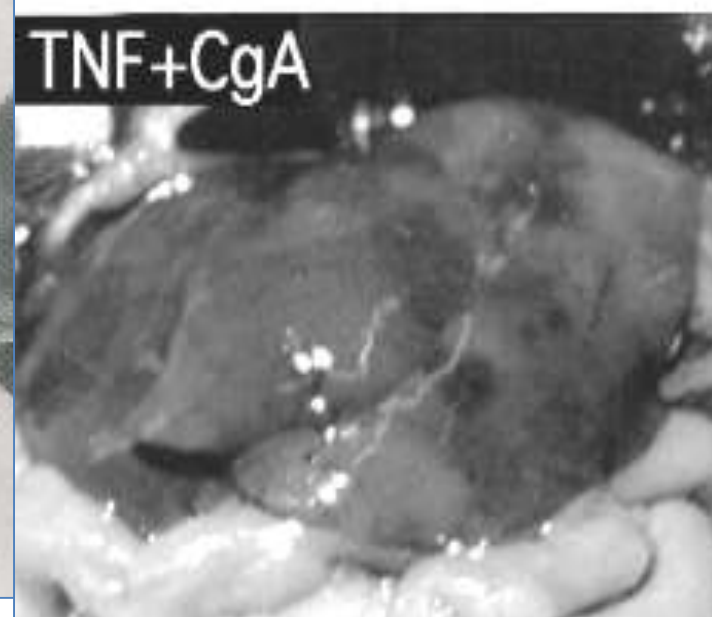
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Marcatori Tumoriali Aspecifici:

- ▶ **Cromogranina A**
- ▶ ▶ crescita/architettura tumorale
- ▶ ▶ adesività cellulare
- ▶ ▶ permeabilità vascolare

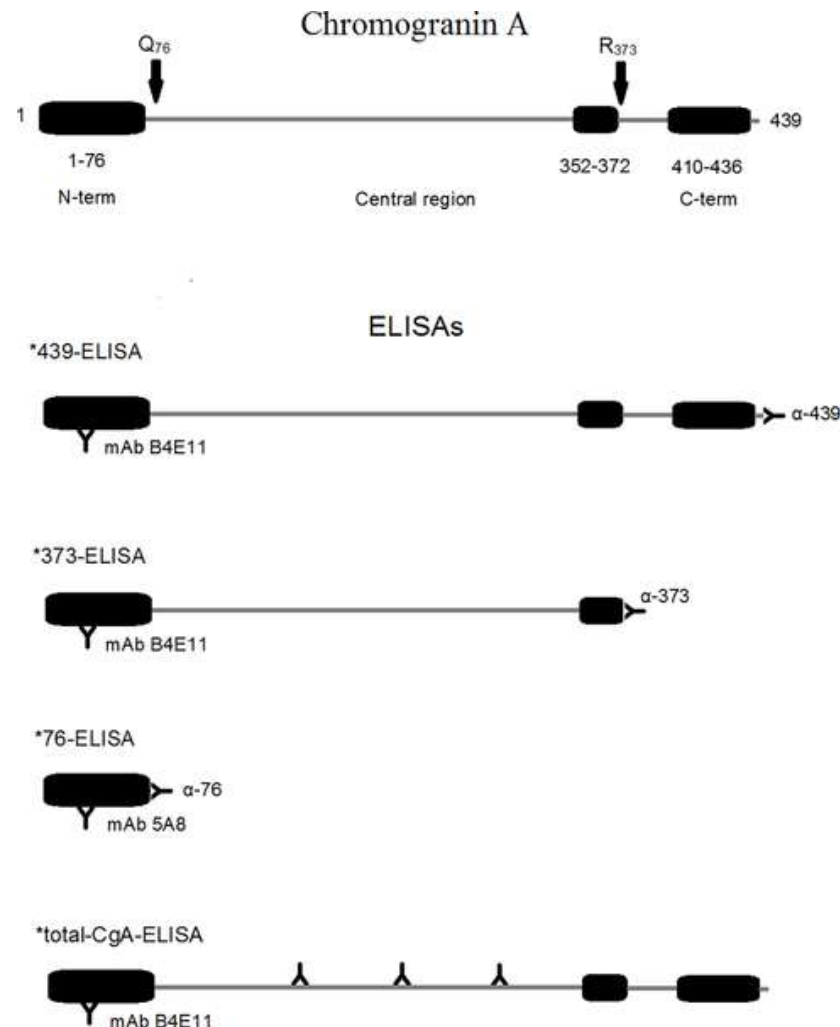


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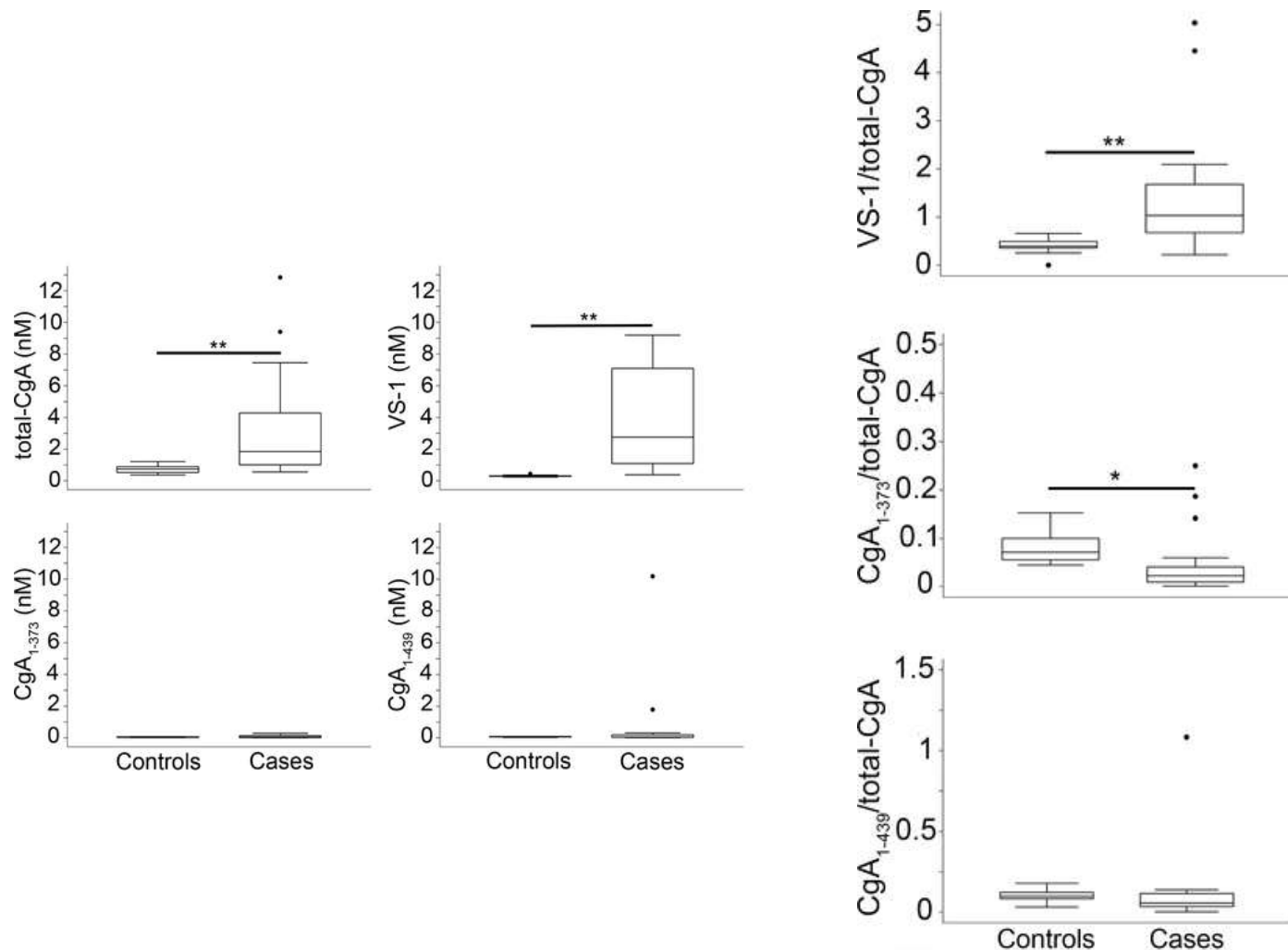
Corti A. et al. Curr.Med.Chem., 2004

Fig 1. Schematic representation of the ELISAs used to detect CgA and its fragments.



Corsello A, Di Filippo L, Massironi S, Sileo F, Dolcetta Capuzzo A, et al. (2018) Vasostatin-1: A novel circulating biomarker for ileal and pancreatic neuroendocrine neoplasms. PLOS ONE 13(5): e0196858. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0196858>
<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0196858>

Fig 2. Plasma levels of CgA and its fragments in patients with ileal and pancreatic NENs (cases) and healthy subjects (controls).



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Site	Tumor Type	Marker	Specificity
All		CgA and B P PP, NSE, Neurokinin, Neurotensin HCG α and β	High Intermediate Low
Thymus	Foregut Carcinoid	ACTH	Intermediate
Bronchus	Foregut Carcinoid, Small Cell Lung Carcinoma.	ACTH, ADH, Serotonin, 5- HIAA, Histamine, GRP, GHRH, VIP, PTHrp	Intermediate Low
Stomach	Foregut Carcinoid, Gastrinoma, Ghrelinoma.	Histamine, Gastrin Ghrelin	Intermediate Low
Pancreas	Gastrinoma, Insulinoma, Glucagonoma, Somatostatinoma, PPoma, VIPoma.	Gastrin, Insulin, Proinsulin, Glucagon, Somatostatin C-peptide, Neurotensin, VIP, PTHrp, Calcitonin	High Low
Duodenum	Gastrinoma, Somatostatinoma.	Somatostatin, Gastrin, pancreastatin	High
Ileum	Midgut Carcinoid	Serotonin, 5-HIAA Neurokinin A, Pancreastatin, Neuropeptide K, Substance P	High Intermediate
Colon and Rectum	Hindgut Carcinoid	Peptide YY, Somatostatin	Intermediate
Bone	Metastasis	Bone Alkaline Phosphatase, N- Telopeptide PTHrp	High (blastic lesions), Modest (lytic lesions) Intermediate
Cardiac Involvement	Carcinoid	BNP	Intermediate

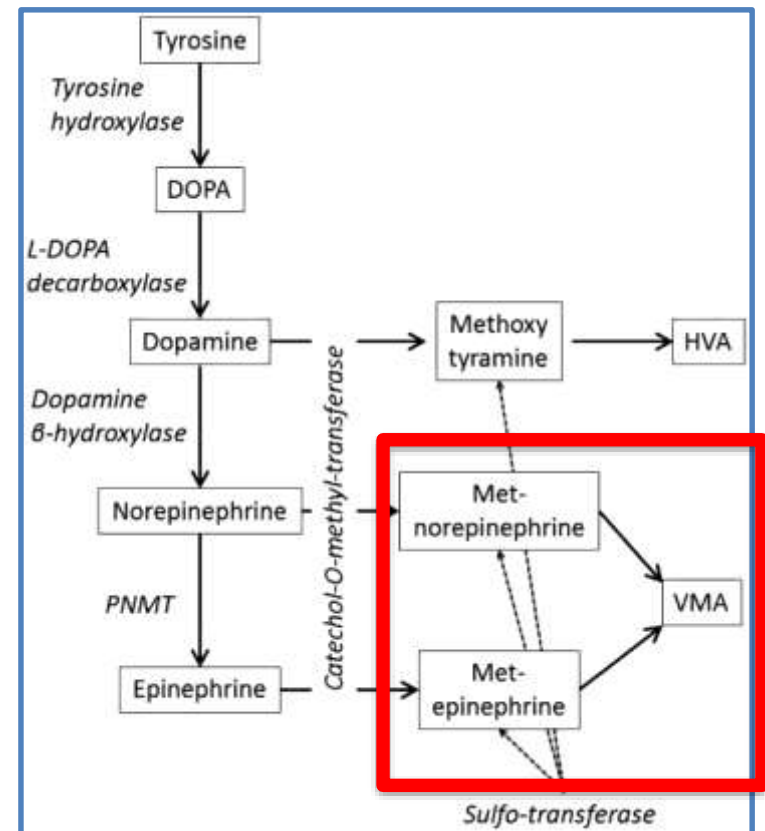
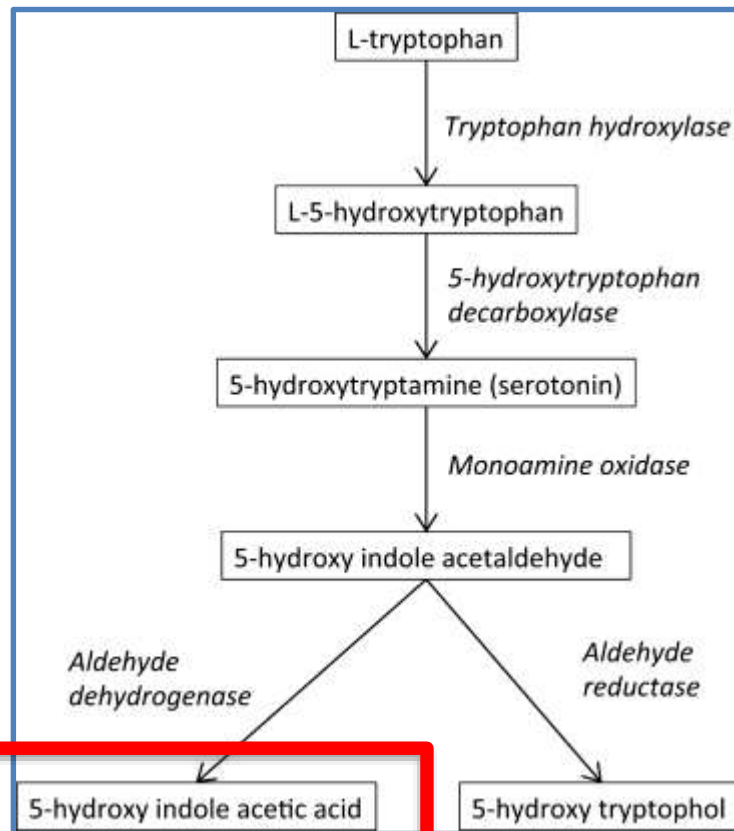
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Biomarker	Sensitivity	Specificity
Substance P	32%	85%
Pancreatic Polypeptide	50-80%	No data
Pancreastatin	64%	58-100%
Neuron-specific Enolase	33%	Up to 100%
Neurokinin A ^a	88%	No data
CgB	99%	No data
ProGRP	99%	43%
NT-BNP ^b	87%	80%
CTGF ^c	88%	69%
Chromogranin A (CgA)	43-100%	10-96%
U 5-HIAA	35%	Up to 100%

Bio-Markers/Symptoms



Carcinoid Syndrome

Fase iniziale

- ▶ Clinicamente silente
-

Malattia avanzata

- ▶ Dolore addominale
 - ▶ Astenia
 - ▶ Calo ponderale
 - ▶ Sindrome da carcinoide
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Carcinoid Syndrome

Tipica [95%]



- ▶ Arrossamenti cianotici
- ▶ Diarrea
- ▶ Broncocostrizione
- ▶ Fibrosi cardiaca

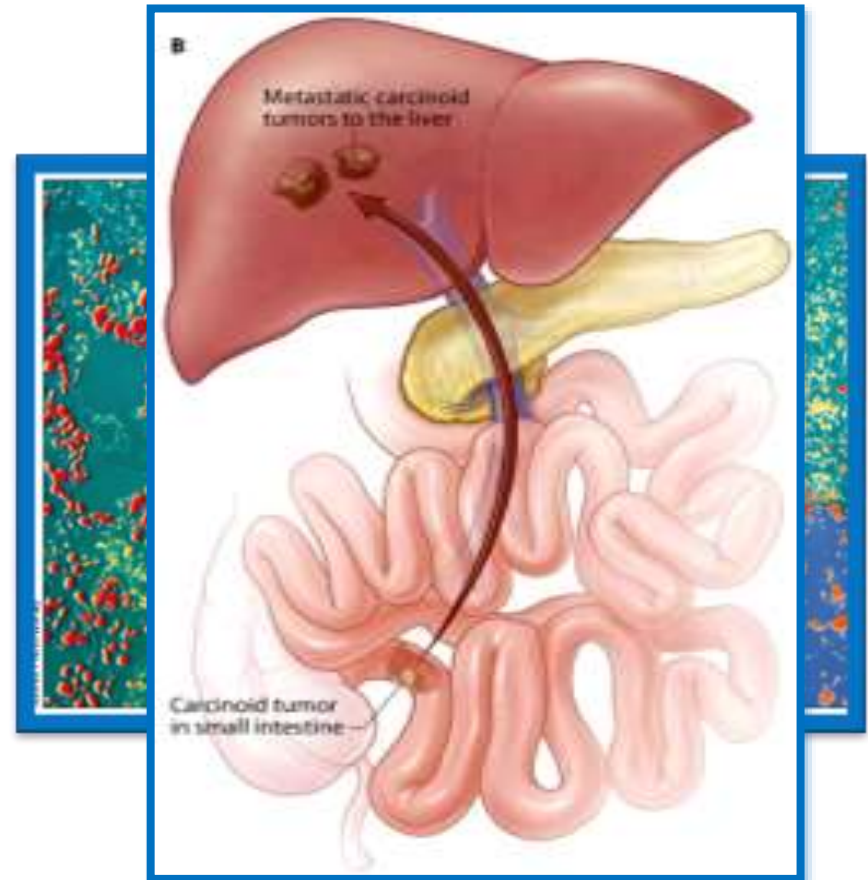
Atipica [5%]



- ▶ Arrossamenti “color ciliegia”
- ▶ Cefalea
- ▶ Edema facciale
- ▶ Rinorrea
- ▶ Salivazione/Lacrimazione

Pathophysiology

- Serotonin
- Kinins
- Hystamine



Guido Rindi, Martyn Caplin, the Lancet, 2011

Typical

- Serotonin

Atypical

- Histamine

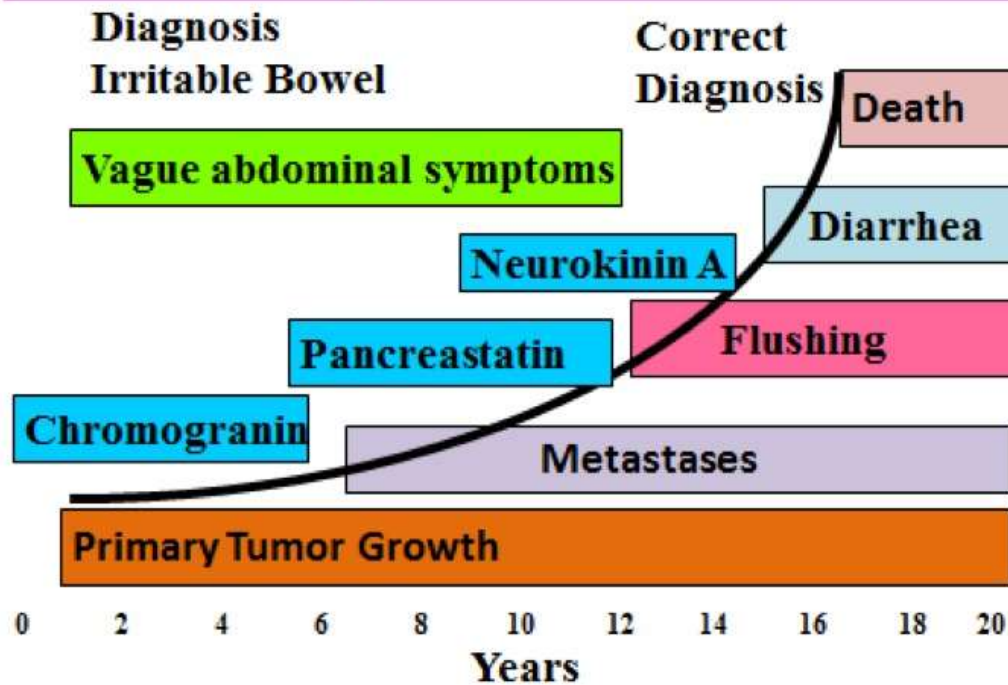
Table 2 Clinical manifestations of carcinoid syndrome

Sign/symptom	Frequency	Characteristics	Involved mediators
Flushing	85% - 90%	Foregut: long-lasting, purple face and neck. Midgut: short-lasting, pink/red. Severe flushing associated with hypotension and tachycardia	Kallikrein, 5-HTP, Histamine, substance P, Prostaglandins
GI hypermotility	70% - 80%	Secretory diarrhea, nausea, vomiting	Gastrin, 5-HTP, histamine, PGs, VIPs
Abdominal pain	35%	Progressive	Small bowel obstruction, hepatomegaly, ischemia
Heart failure right	30%	Dyspnea	5-HTP, substance P
left	10%		
Telangiectasia	25%	Face	Unknown
Bronchospasm	15%	Wheezing	Histamine, 5-HTP
Pellagra	5%	Dermatitis, diarrhea, dementia	Niacin deficiency



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Natural History of Neuroendocrine Tumors



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CS: OPEN QUESTIONS

Management of carcinoid syndrome
refractory to SSAs

Prevention and treatment of carcinoid
crisis

Management of carcinoid heart disease



MANAGEMENT OF REFRACTORY CARCINOID SYNDROME

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Possible therapies are numerous

Somatostatin Analogues

- Combined therapies
- New analogues

Peptide receptor radiotherapy (PRRT)

- 90Y-DOTATOC
- 177Lu-DOTATATE

Target therapies

- m-TOR inhibitors : EVEROLIMUS
- VEGF-R inhibitors : BEVACIZUMAB, SUTINIB, AXITINIB
- TPH inhibitors: LX1606

Liver-targeted

- TACE
- Crioablacion
- Radioablacion

Selective Internal Radiotherapy

- TheraSphere
- SirSphere

1- SOMATOSTATIN ANALOGUES

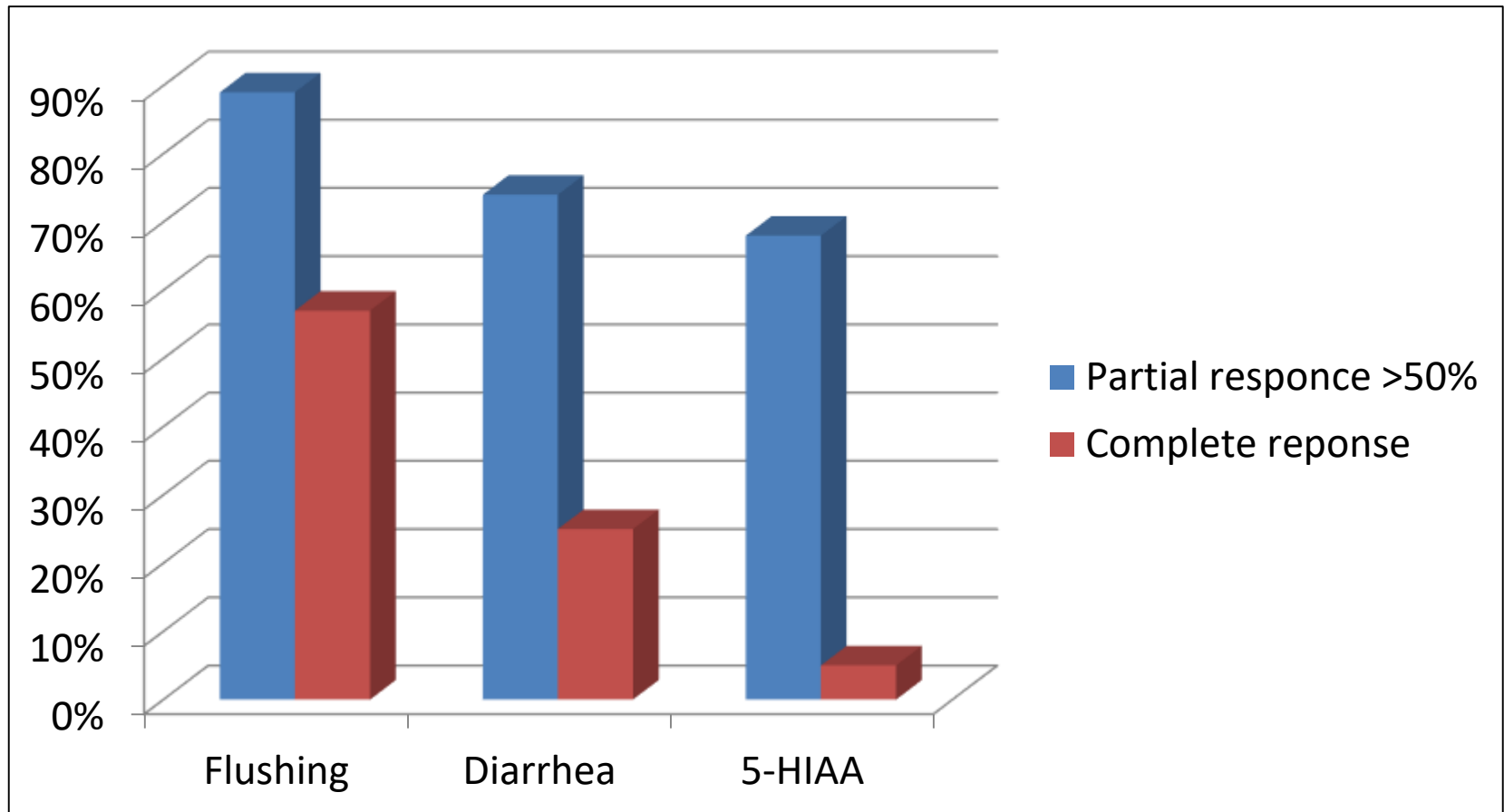
Prevalence on NET Type ¹	SST1	SST2	SST3	SST4	SST5
Carcinoid	76%	80%	43%	68%	77%
Gastrinoma	79%	93%	36%	61%	93%
Insulinoma	76%	81%	38%	58%	57%
Non functioning islet cell tumour	58%	88%	42%	48%	50%
Inibitory effect^{2,3}					
Hormone secretion	+	+			+
Proliferation	+	+	+		+
Induction of apoptosis		+	+		

1. Hofland LJ. *J Endocrinol Invest.* 2003;26 (8 suppl):8-13.

2. Ferrante E, Pellegrini C, Bondioni S, et al. *Endocr Relat Cancer.* 2006;13:955-962.

3. Susini C, Buscail L. *Ann Oncol.* 2006;17:1733-1742.

SSA: efficacy on CS



Moertel CG. J Clin Oncol. 1987;5:1502–1522

Future of SSAs

1. SSAs in combined therapies:
 1. Low toxicity
 2. Antiproliferation activity
2. High doses of SSAs
3. New analogues' efficacy evaluation

Future of SSAs: ongoing trials

NETTER-1 Study:

^{177}Lu -DOTATATE +
Octreotide vs.
Octreotide 60 mg/
month in NETs

Sunland Study:

Lanreotide vs.
Lanreotide + Sunitinib
37.5 mg/d in NETs

SWOG Study:

Octreotide +
Bevacizumab vs.
Octreotide + Interferon
alpha in advanced NET

SSAs in combination: Interferon

Table 3. Biochemical Response After 3 Months of Combination Treatment (α -Interferon Plus Octreotide) in Patients With Functioning Tumors (Gastrinoma and Carcinoid Syndrome)

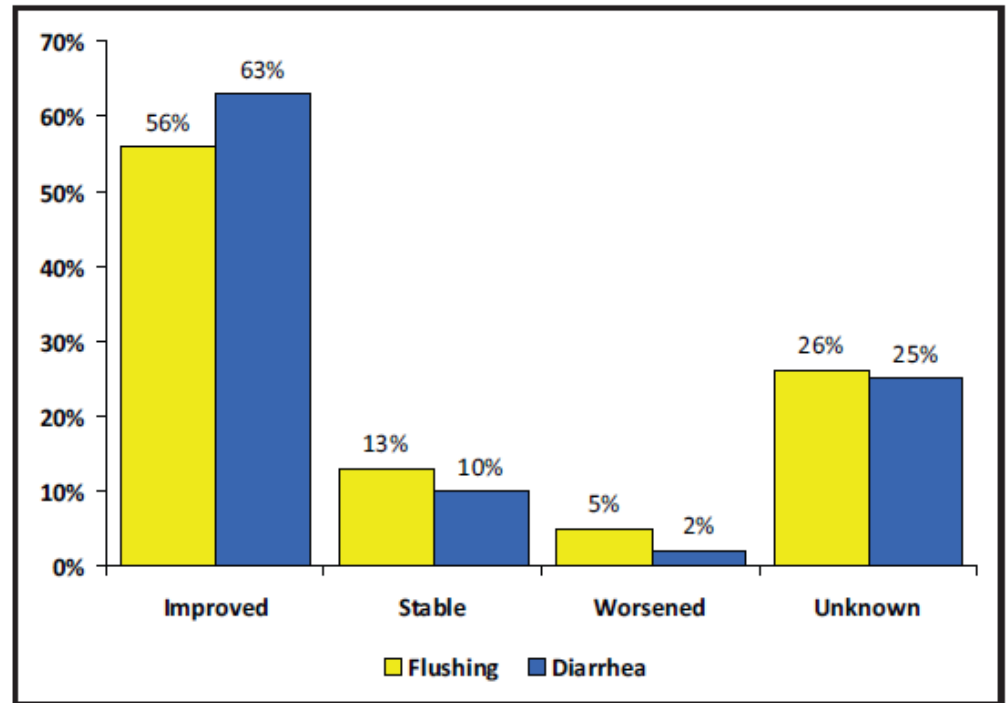
Patients With Gastrinoma	Gastrin at Month 0	Gastrin at Month 3
PL	2800	755*
SchH	960	113*
B-DE	800	533
SpH	1189	360
Carcinoid Syndrome	5-HIAA at Month 0	5-HIAA at Month 3
RW	164	86
MA	1515	338*
KP	2748	1307*
DE	1848	857*
SI	472	183*
BH	793	234*
EH	344	357
BW	10939	303*

* Reduction of hormone levels >50% compared to pretreatment values. Gastrin expressed in pg/ml; 5-HIAA expressed in μ mol per day.

Frank M et al, Am J Gastroenterol. 1999 May;94(5):1381-7.

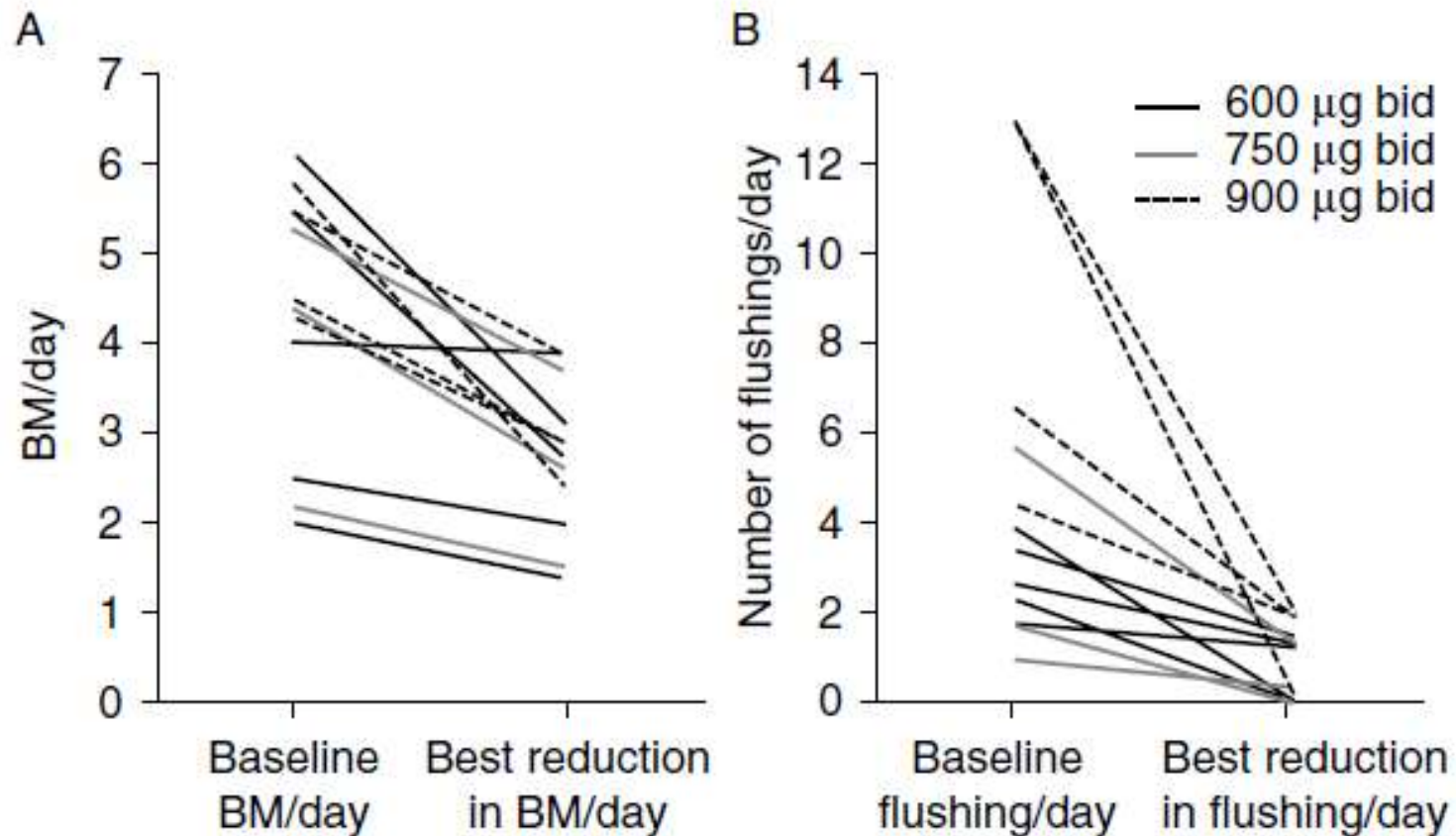
High doses SSAs

- Octreotide LAR up to 90 mg/ 3 wks
- 338 pts



Strosberg J . et al, *Gastrointest Cancer Res.* 2013 May;6(3):81-5.

New SSAs: Pasireotide



2-TRANS-ARTERIAL CHEMOEMBOLISATION

- 67 patients with CS refrattaria:
 - 50 with progressive disease
 - 17 with hypersecretion symptoms not controlled by SSAs

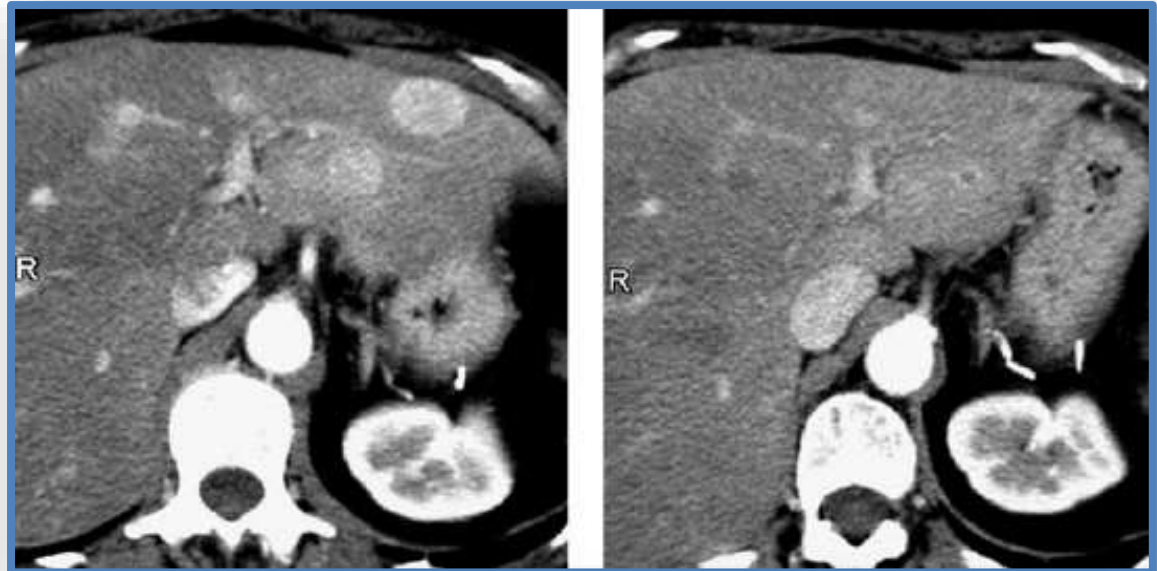
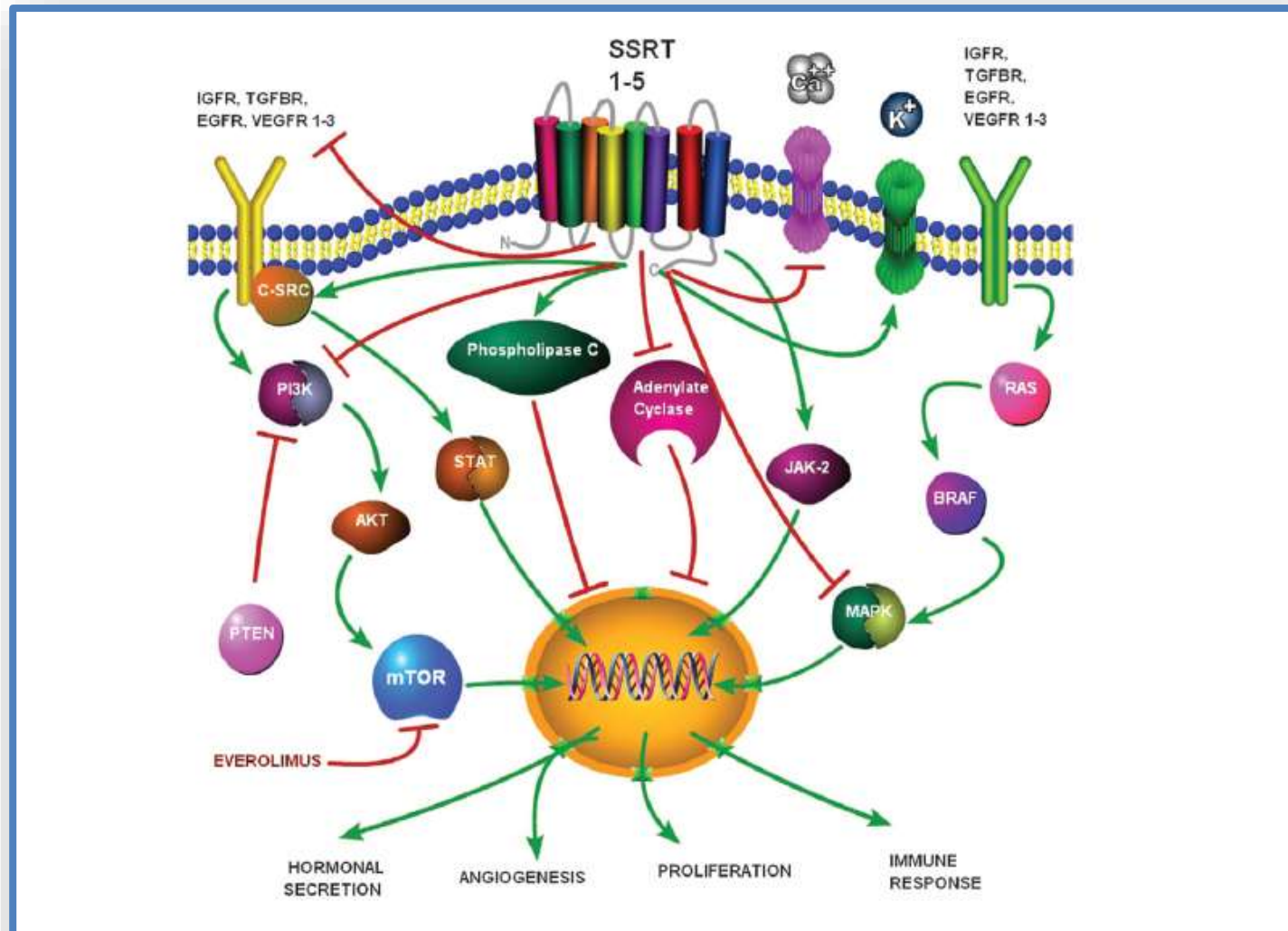


Table 2 Clinical, biological and tumour responses (%)

	Clinical response (n = 23)	Biological response (n = 38)	Tumour response (n = 67)
Complete response	61	18	1
Partial response	30	47	36
Stable disease	4.5	32	36
Progressive disease	4.5	3	27

3-TARGET THERAPIES: m-TOR inhibitors



Inibitori m-TOR: Everolimus



the study for symptom control. Our study was not designed to assess the effect of everolimus on carcinoid-related symptoms.

	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38
Number at risk																				
E+O	216	202	167	129	120	102	81	69	63	56	50	42	33	22	17	11	4	1	1	0
P+O	213	202	155	117	106	84	72	65	57	50	42	35	24	18	11	9	3	1	0	0

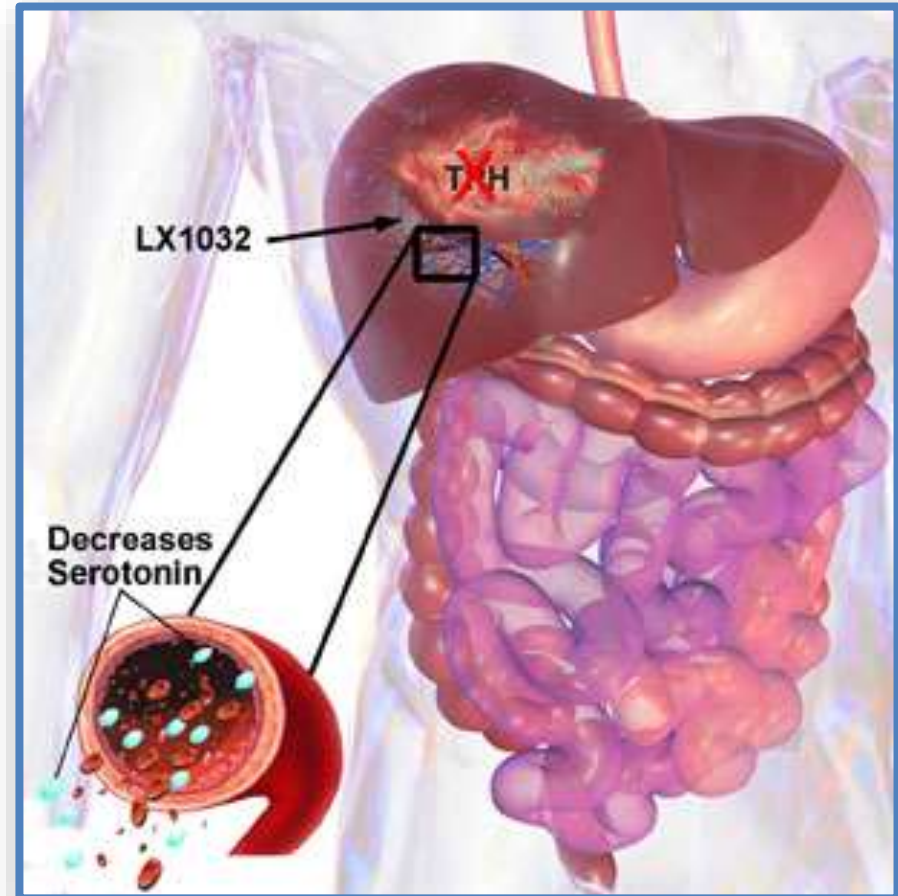
- RADIANT2
- Serum 5-HIAA reduction

3-TARGET THERAPIES: telotristat etiprate

- Oral agent
- Inhibitor of tryptophan hydroxylase (TPH)

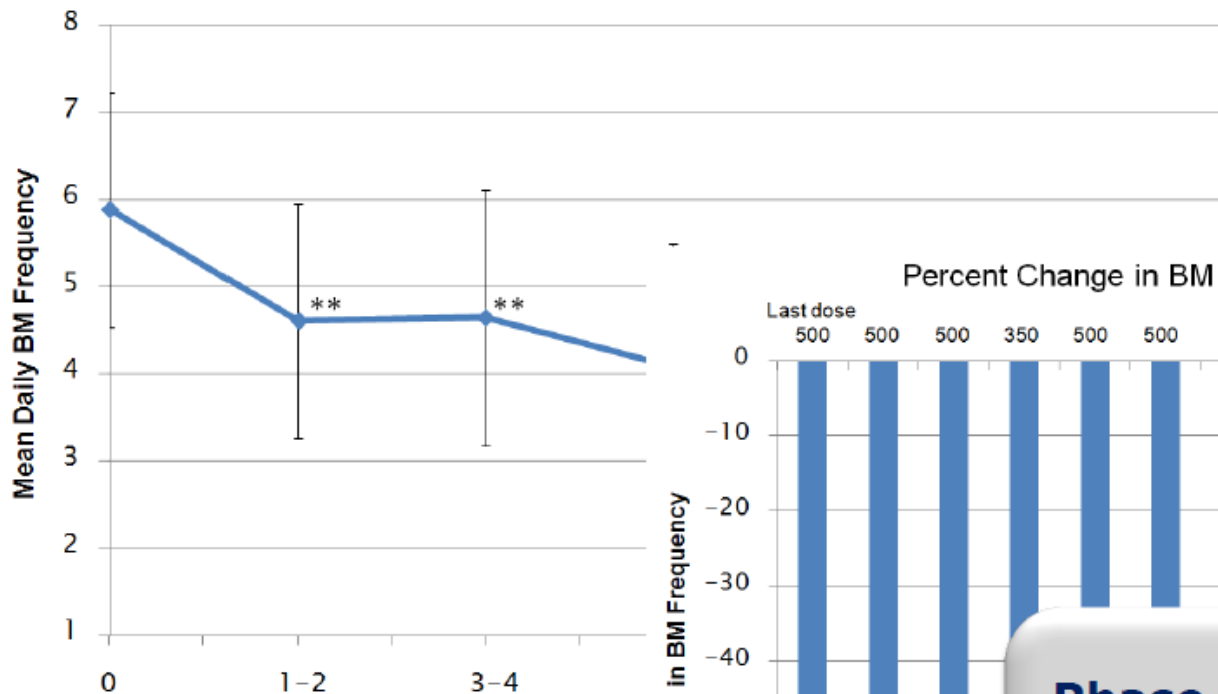
- **LX1606 versus placebo** in subjects with
- symptomatic carcinoid syndrome
- not managed by stable-dose long-acting SSA (US)

- **Dose escalation study (Phase II)** to assess the
- **Efficacy and Safety of LX1606** in
- **Patients with symptomatic Carcinoid Syndrome**
(Germany & UK)



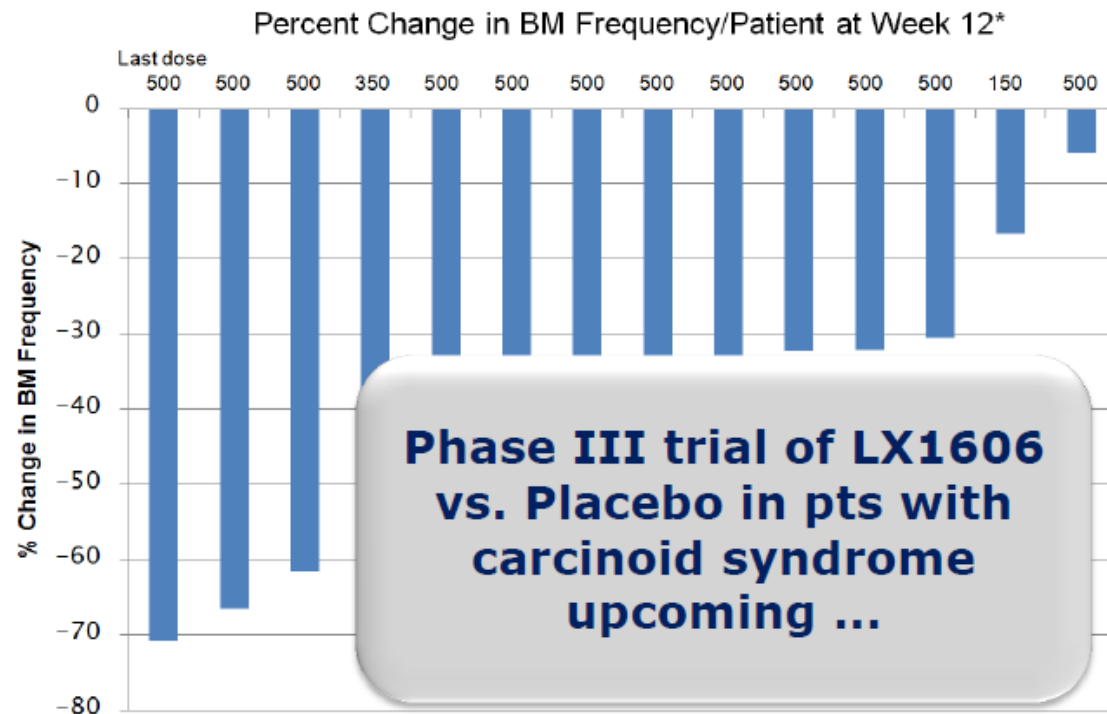
Telotristat etiprate

Mean bowel movement (BM) frequency



5-HIES:
-71.9% change from
baseline at Wks 11-12

-43.5%
change from
baseline at
Wks 11-12



Phase III trial of LX1606
vs. Placebo in pts with
carcinoid syndrome
upcoming ...

Telotristat etiprate

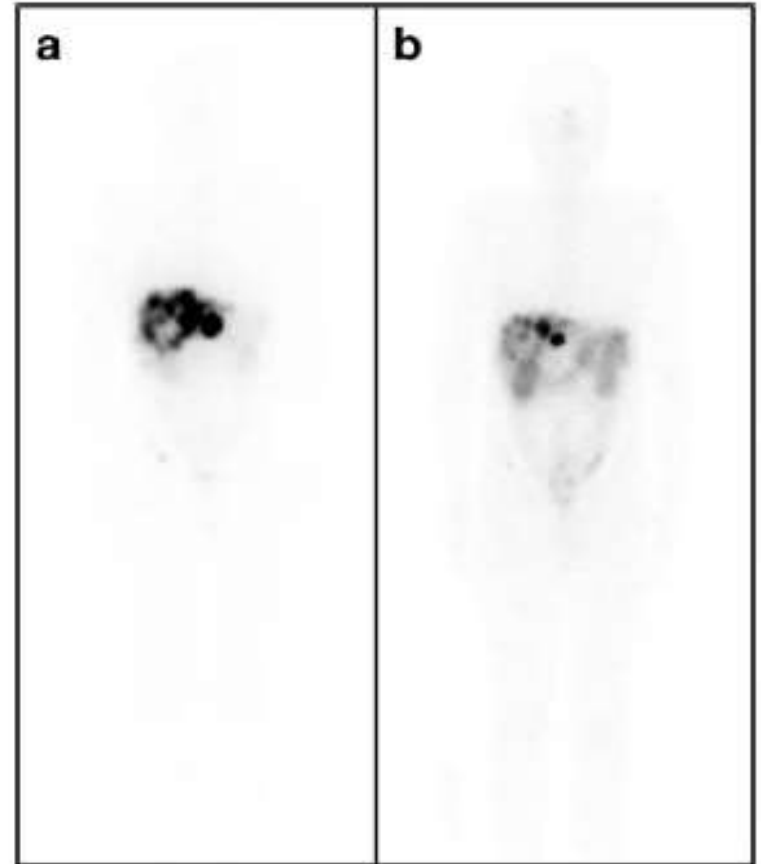
	Baseline n=15	Week 7-8 n=14		Week 9-10 n=14		Week 11-12 n=14	
		Actual	Change or % change from baseline	Actual	Change or % change from baseline	Actual	Change or % change from baseline
BM, mean nr/day	5.9	3.5**	-2.3	3.2**	-2.6	3.3**	-2.6
Flushing, mean nr/day	2.8	2.0*	-1.0	2.1*	-0.9	2.2*	-0.8
Mean weekly stool form (6 pt-scale)	4.1	3.3**	-0.8	3.3**	-0.8	3.2**	-0.8
U5-HIAA mg/24h	122	70**	-46%	--	--	37**	-72%
Reported adequate relief	2/13	9/14	--	8/13	--	9/12	--

**p<0.001, *p<0.01

Pavel et al, NANETS 2012

4-PRRT

- 21 patients with CS
- All patients were on Octreotide LAR
- 90% of patients benefited from therapy



NETTER-1: ^{177}Lu -DOTA-TATE vs. Octreotide LAR

- Still ongoing
- Inoperable, SSR +, midgut
- Phase III, open label
- Results on December 2014



5- Selective Internal RadioTherapy

- Glass or resin
- Microspheres
- $^{90}\text{Yttrium}$
- Direct delivery
- Trans-femoral



Mode of Action

TheraSphere, MDS-Nordion Inc. Ontario, Canada
Sir-Sphere, Sirtex Medical Ltd, Lane Cove, Australia

Selective Internal RadioTherapy

- Response rate on 29 pts:

- Response rate:
 - 50 % Sir-Spheres
 - 54 % Theraspheres

- Toxicity:
 - Short term: lower than conventional embolic therapies
 - Long-term: absence of prospective data (phase III ongoing)

TABLE 3. Radiographic Response to Radioembolization		
Category	TS (n)	SS (n)
Overall*		
Partial response	7	8
Stable	5	7
Progression	1	1
Carcinoid*		
Partial response	5	5
Stable	5	7
Progression	0	1
Islet cell*		
Partial response	2	3
Stable	0	0
Progression	1	0
*Response determined using RECIST.		

PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CARCINOID CRISIS



Carcinoid crisis: treatment

- **Manipulation at tumour site**

- Surgery
- Biopsy
- RFA
- TACE/TAE
- PRRT

- **Anesthesia**



Flush
Hypotension
Arrhythmia
Profuse diarrhea
Bronchoconstruction
Status asmaticus
Edema

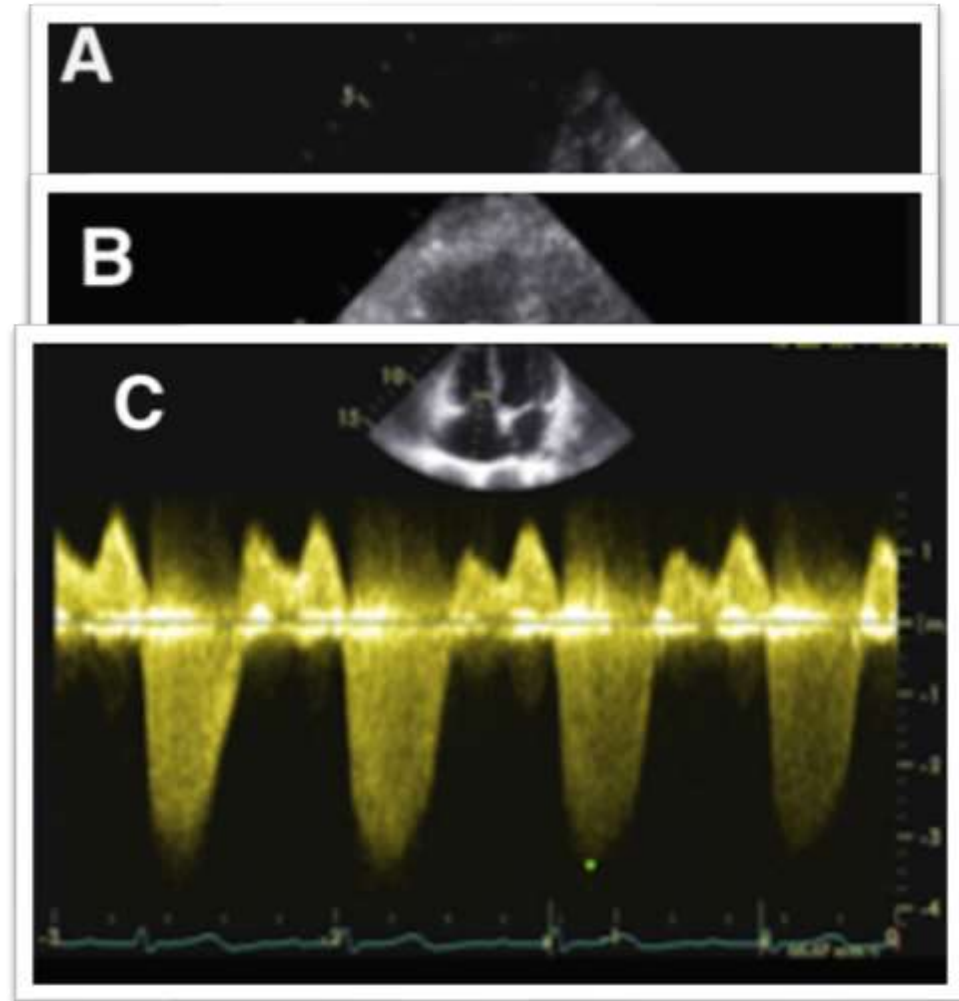
Indication to use Somatostatin analogs

Preoperatively:	50-100 mcg/h 12 hsr prior to intervention
Intraoperatively:	(50)-100 mcg/h Octreotide IV or higher dose if needed
Postoperatively:	50-100 mcg/h Octreotide IV for 12-24h

CARCINOID HEART DISEASE

Carcinoid heart disease

- 20% of patients with CS
- Right-sided (TV & PV)
- Left-sided 5-30% (MV, AV)
- PFO with right-to-left shunt
- High circulating level of vasoactive peptides
- Screening with:
 - NT-proBNP
 - Annual echocardiography



Treatment of carcinoid heart disease

- Carcinoid treatment:
 - Medical: no evidence of improvement
 - Surgical: effective
- Cardiological treatment:
 - Early stages of disease
 - Prophylaxis of endocarditis not needed
 - Loop diuretics
 - Valve replacement

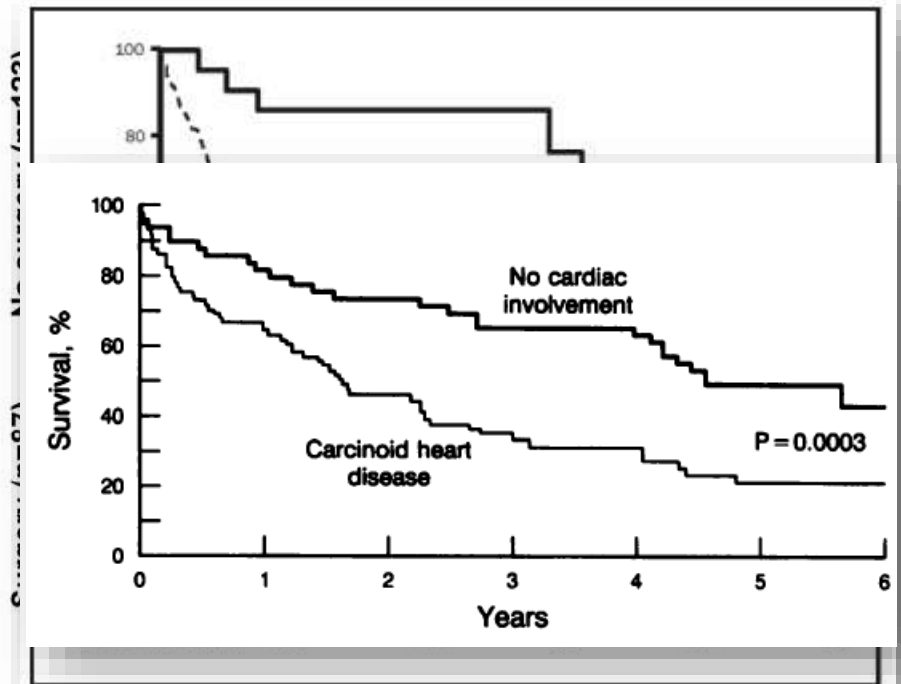
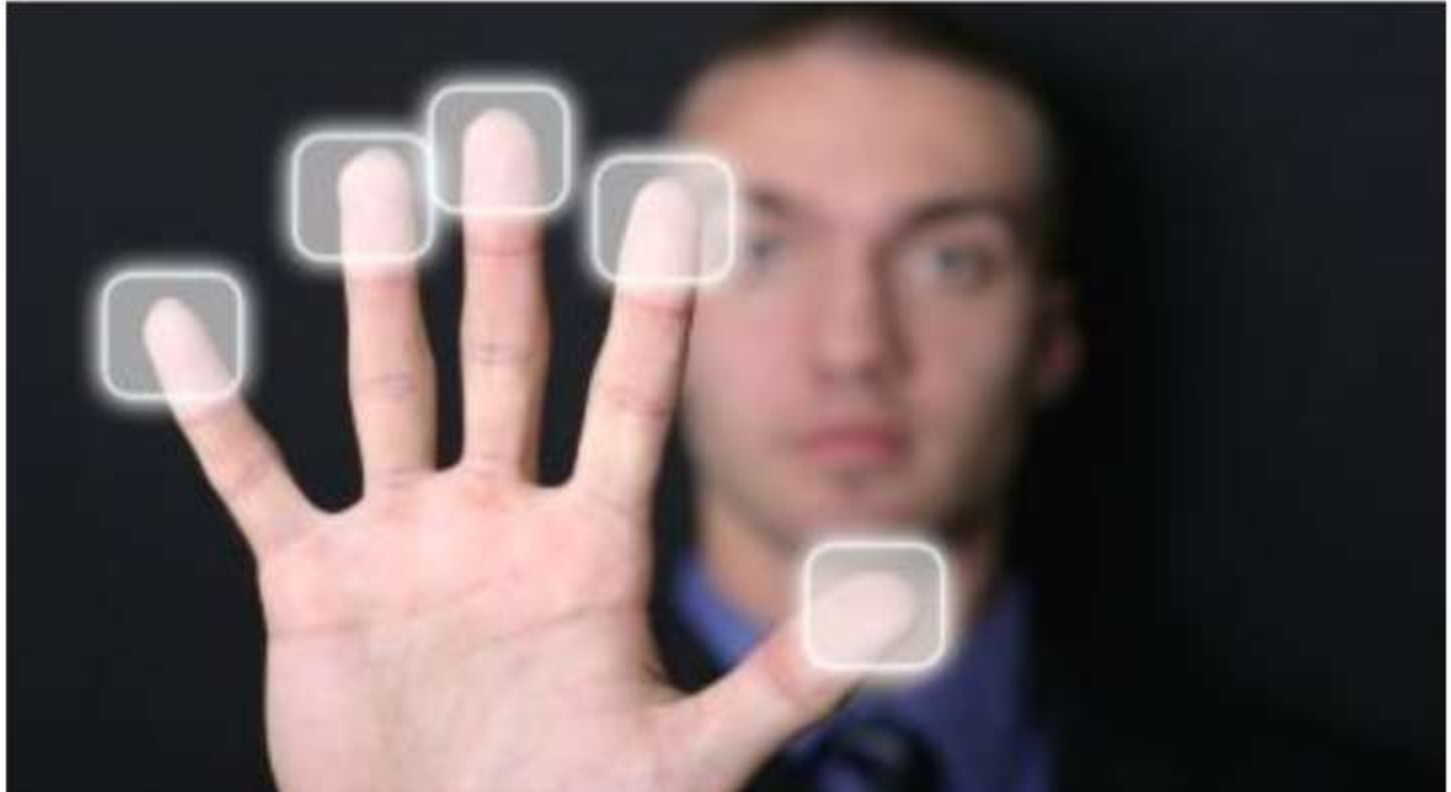


FIGURE. Time-dependent effect of hepatic resection performed during follow-up on survival in patients with carcinoid heart disease. Group comparison was assessed by proportional-hazards model.

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Bernheim AM, et al. *Mayo Clin Proc* 2008;83(2):143-50.
Moller JE, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2003;348:1005-15.

Carcinoids are not all the same!



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WE NEED A PERSONALIZED STRATEGY!!!

And...

Thank you!



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Antiproliferative activity

PROMID Study (n=84): multicenter national

- Octreotide LAR 30 mg/ month vs. Placebo
- Functional and non-functional tumors
- Therapy-naïve patients with Midgut NET, G1 (95%)
- 75% had <10% liver tumor burden

CLARINET Study (n=204): 44 Centers in 14 Countries

- Lanreotide AG 120 mg/ month vs. Placebo
- Non-functioning entero- pancreatic NET; Ki67 <10%
- 95% SD at Therapy onset; >80% First-line Therapie

Rinke A, et al. J Clin Oncol. 2009

Caplin et al, ESMO Annual Meeting Amsterdam 2013

SSA: Formulazioni

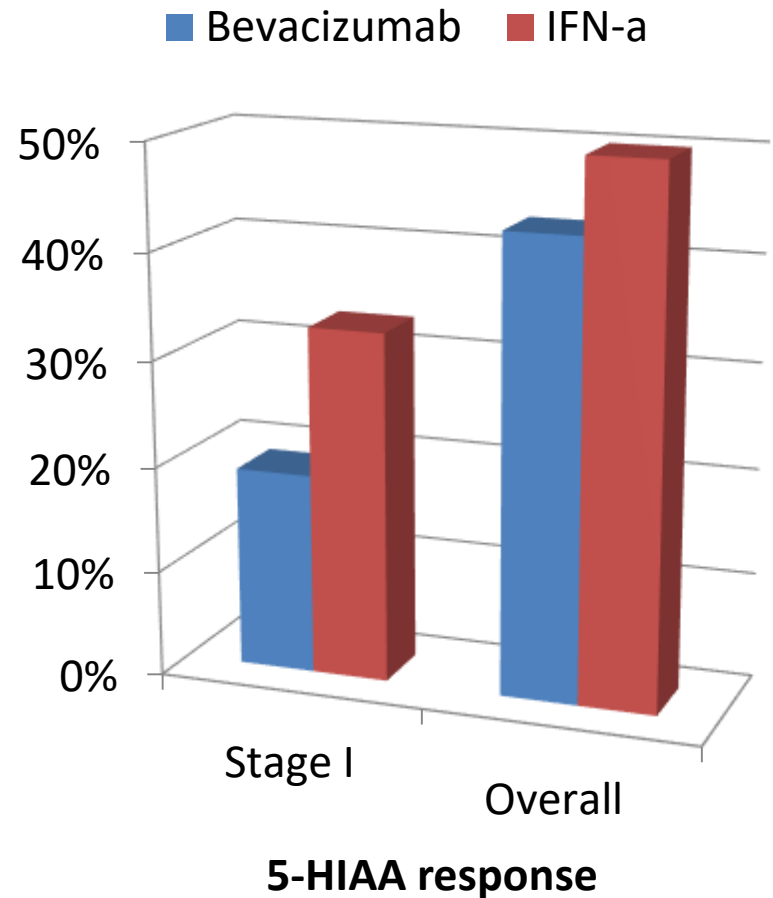
Drug	Mode of injection	Dosage
Octreotide	SC	3 x 100-500 µg/day
Octreotide LAR	IM	10/ 20/ 30 mg/month
Lanreotide LA	IM	10-20 mg/14 days
Lanreotide Autogel	Deep SC	60/ 90/ 120 mg/month

Chemotherapy

- 2 factors are predictive of CT response:
 - Tumour differentiation and Grade
 - Tumour origin
- Carcinoid tumours associated with carcinoid syndrome are often
 - Well differentiated Grade 1 or 2 tumours
 - Midgut origin
- Response rate <10%
- Bronchial and lung carcinoids, poorly differentiated up to 50% with temozolomide

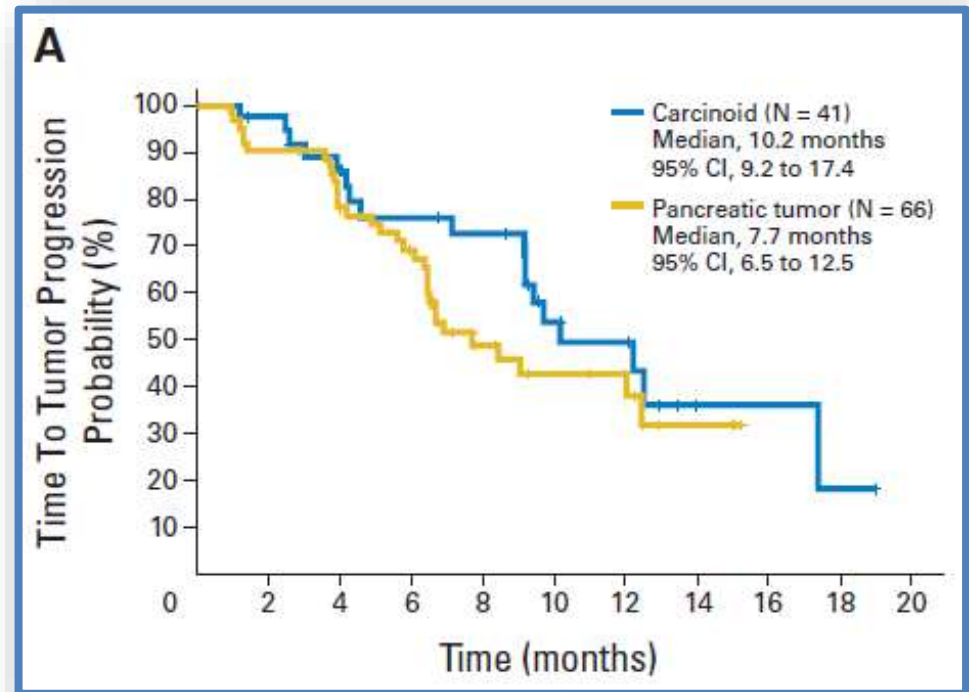
3-TARGET THERAPIES: Bevacizumab

- Monoclonal antibody to VEGF-A
- Phase II trial,(44 pts mtx)
- PFS was 95% vs. 68% in favour of bevacizumab
- 5-HIAA better for IFN-a



Target therapies: Sunitinib

- Sunitinib is an inhibitor of:
 - VEGFRs-1, -2, and -3
 - cKIT, FLT3, and PDGF.
- Investigated as a single agent in a 2-cohort (carcinoid and pancreatic NET) phase II study.
- An objective response rate of only 2 % (1 of 41)
- Median time to tumor progression (TTP) of 10.2 months
- **No data on 5-HIAA**



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