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## **Target veri o presunti: le neoplasie del retto**

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# Preop RT-CT & OS

5 randomized European trials

3253 patients



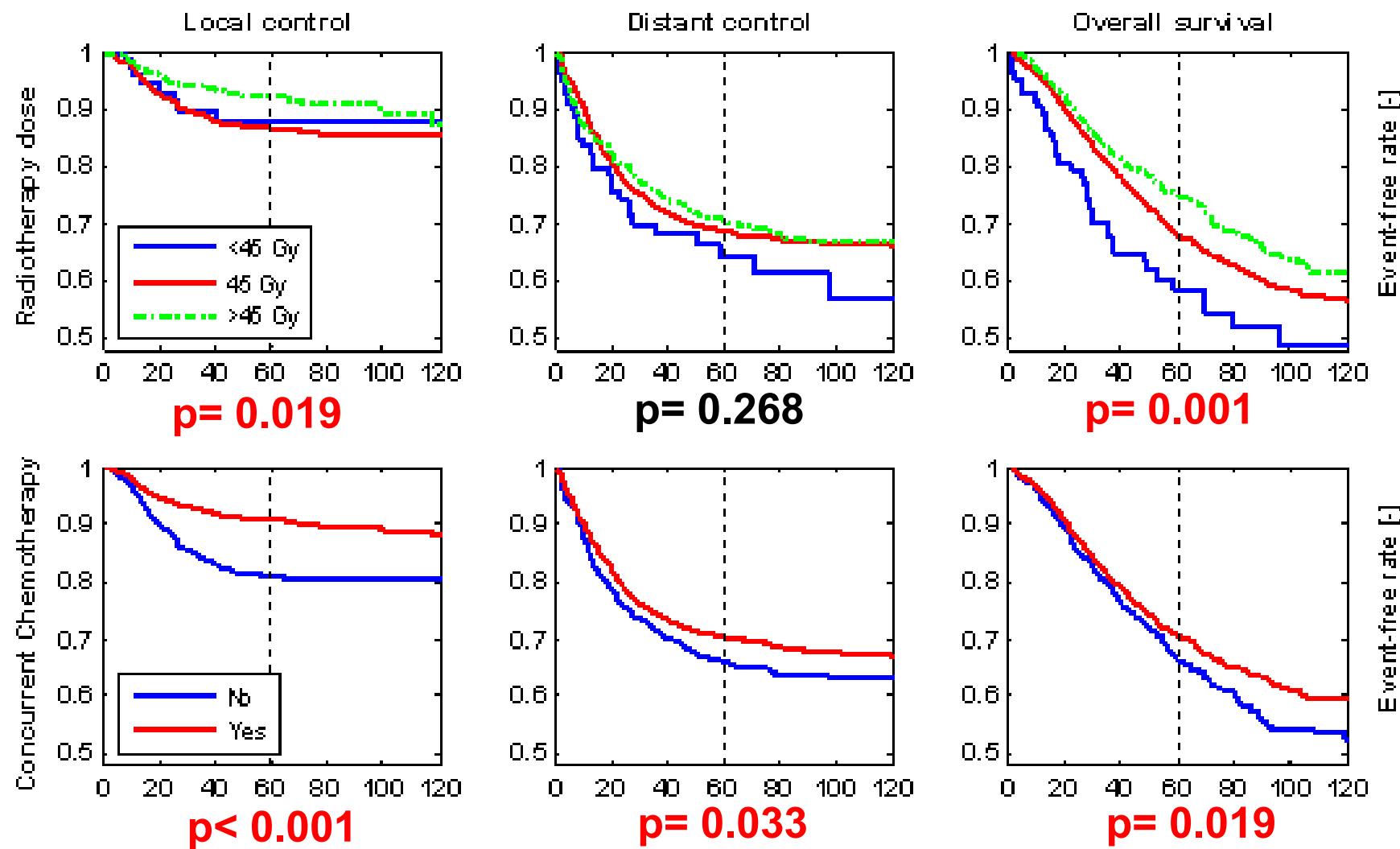
- EORTC trial (Bosset et al, 2006)
- French trial (Gerard et al. 2006)
- German trial (Sauer et al. 2004)
- Polish trial (Bujko et al. 2006)
- Italian CNR trial (Cionini L. et al. *in press*)



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# RT-CT analisi monovariata

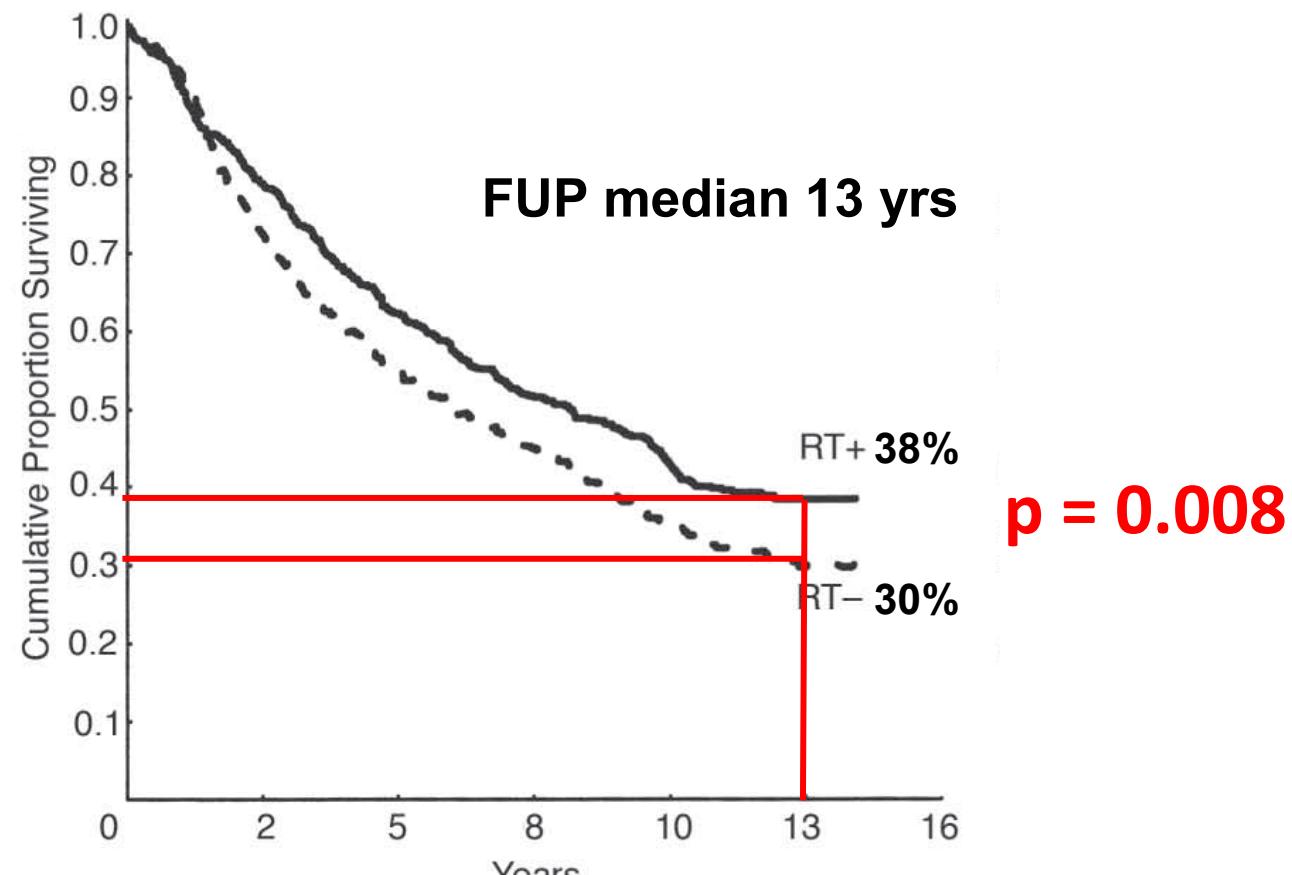


Valentini V et al JCO 2011

# Preop RT & OS

Sweden trial: 908 R0/1168 pts

Long-term updated outcomes



Folkesson J et al, JCO 2005

# Preop RT & SVV



1382 R0 (pCRM-)

12 years Update of Dutch Trial

	RT + TME (691)	TME (691)
Rectal cancer	38%	48%
Other	2%	52%



Van Gijn W et Al , Lancet Oncol 2011

# Cause di morte



## 12 years Update of Dutch Trial

	RT+TME (n=315)	TME alone (n=319)
Rectal cancer	119 (38%)	152 (48%)
Radiotherapy complications	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Surgery complications	20 (6%)	16 (5%)
Secondary malignancy	43 (14%)	30 (9%)
Cardiovascular cause	46 (15%)	45 (14%)
Pulmonary cause	16 (5%)	15 (5%)
Infectious cause	3 (1%)	2 (<1%)
Neurological cause	4 (1%)	4 (1%)
Illeus	3 (1%)	2 (<1%)
Other	39 (12%)	32 (10%)
Unknown	20 (6%)	21 (7%)

Data are number (%). Pearson  $\chi^2$  test between all causes of death p=0.448.

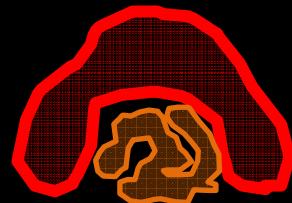
RT=radiotherapy. TME=total mesorectal excision.



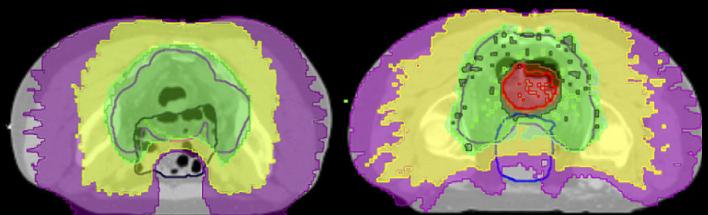
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# Impatto delle nuove tecnologie

- IMRT: target ideale a “ferro di cavallo” con OAR all’interno



- Esperienze IMRT:
  - pochi lavori in letteratura
  - Risparmio tenue SIB



*Tho et al IJROBP2006  
De Ridder et al IJROBP 2008  
Seierstad et al Radiother Oncol 2009*

# **TARGET nel tumore del retto**

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**N ed organi extra-pelvici**



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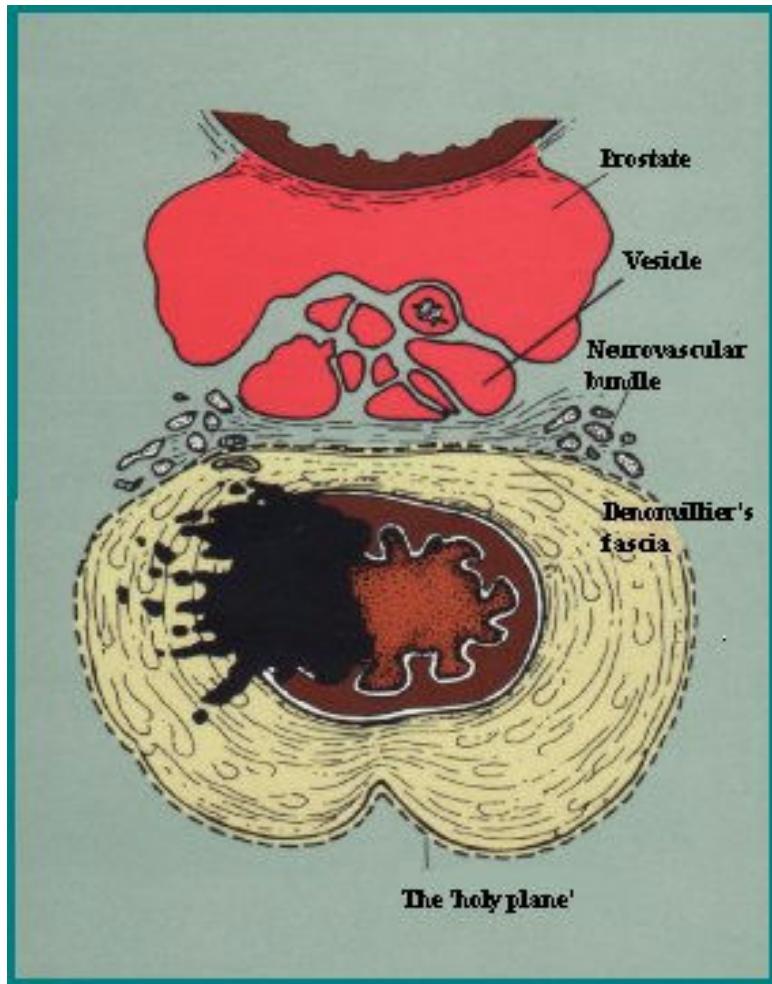
radioterapia



chemioterapia



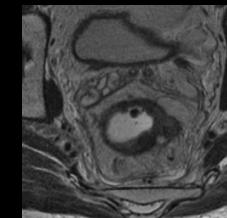
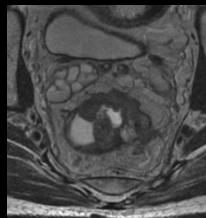
# Tumore e mesoretto



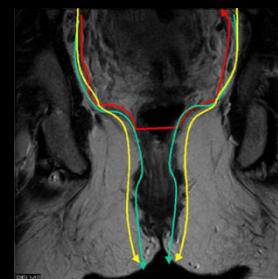
**TME**  
**Recidiva Locale**  
**5-15%**

# Tumore

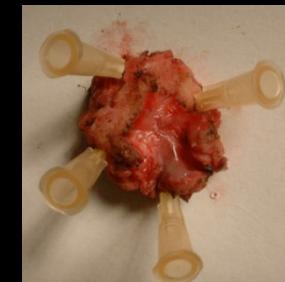
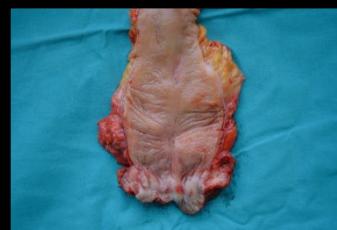
Resecabilità



Salvataggio sfintere

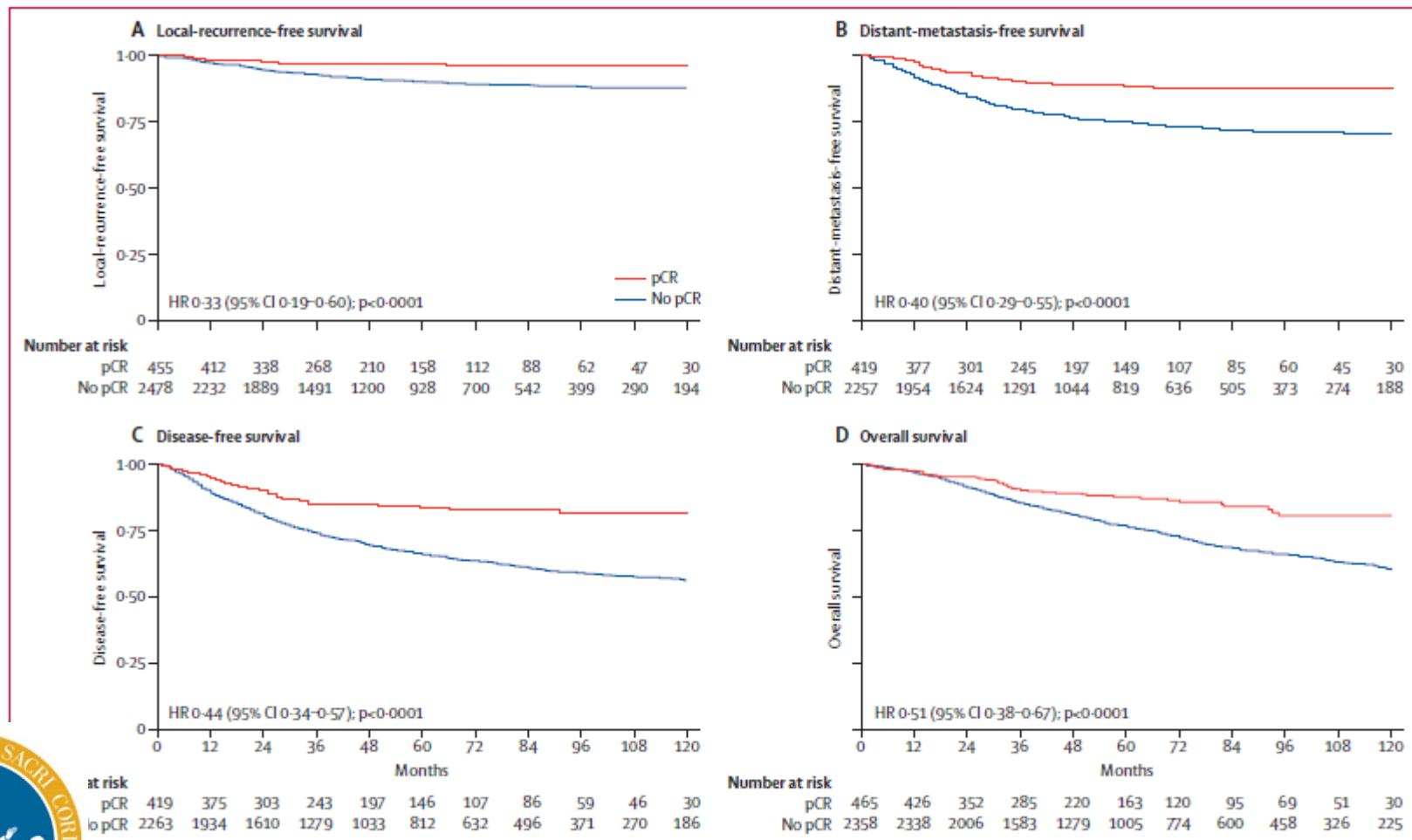


Salvataggio organo





# pCR & outcomes



Maas M et Al Lancet Oncol 2010

# Mesoretto

- Resezione completa del mesoretto: ~ 50%

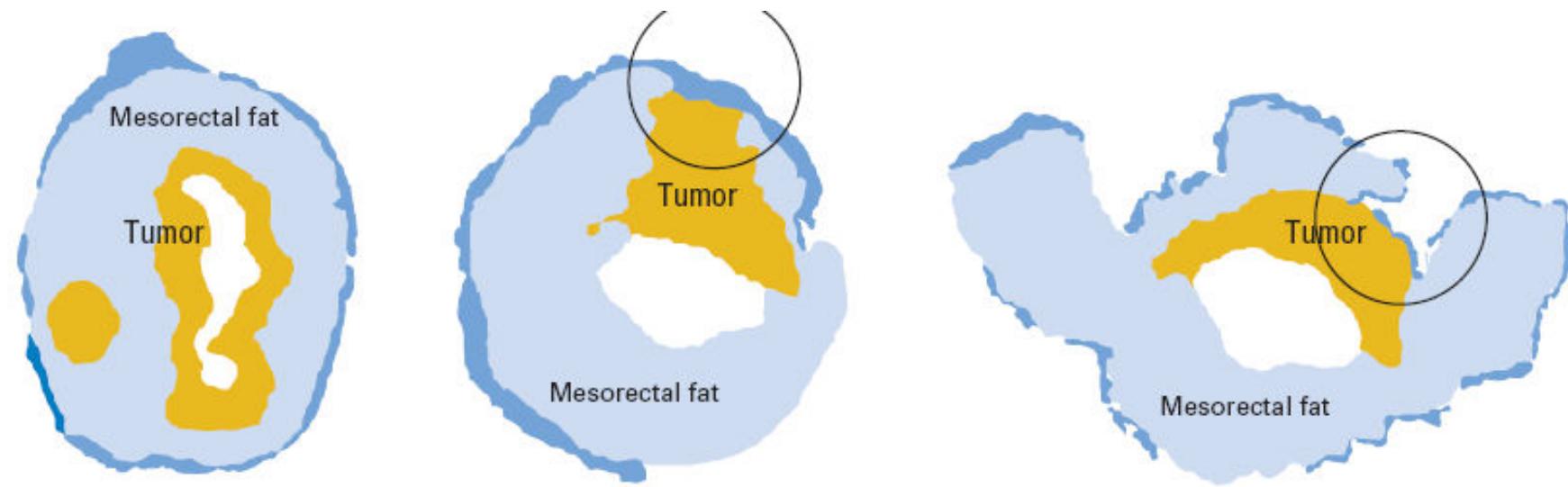
Local recurrence rate according to distal margin and lymph node status.

Distal margin	RT-		RT+	
	N0	N+	N0	N+
0–5 mm	5.6	30.0	11.8	28.6
6–10 mm	8.8	34.6	0	0
11–20 mm	4.6	29.7	0	7.2
>21 mm	5.5	8.6	1.7	5.8
TOTAL	5.6	19.4	<0.001	1.7
				<0.001

In LAR and Hartmann procedures. Values are 5-year local recurrence percentages.

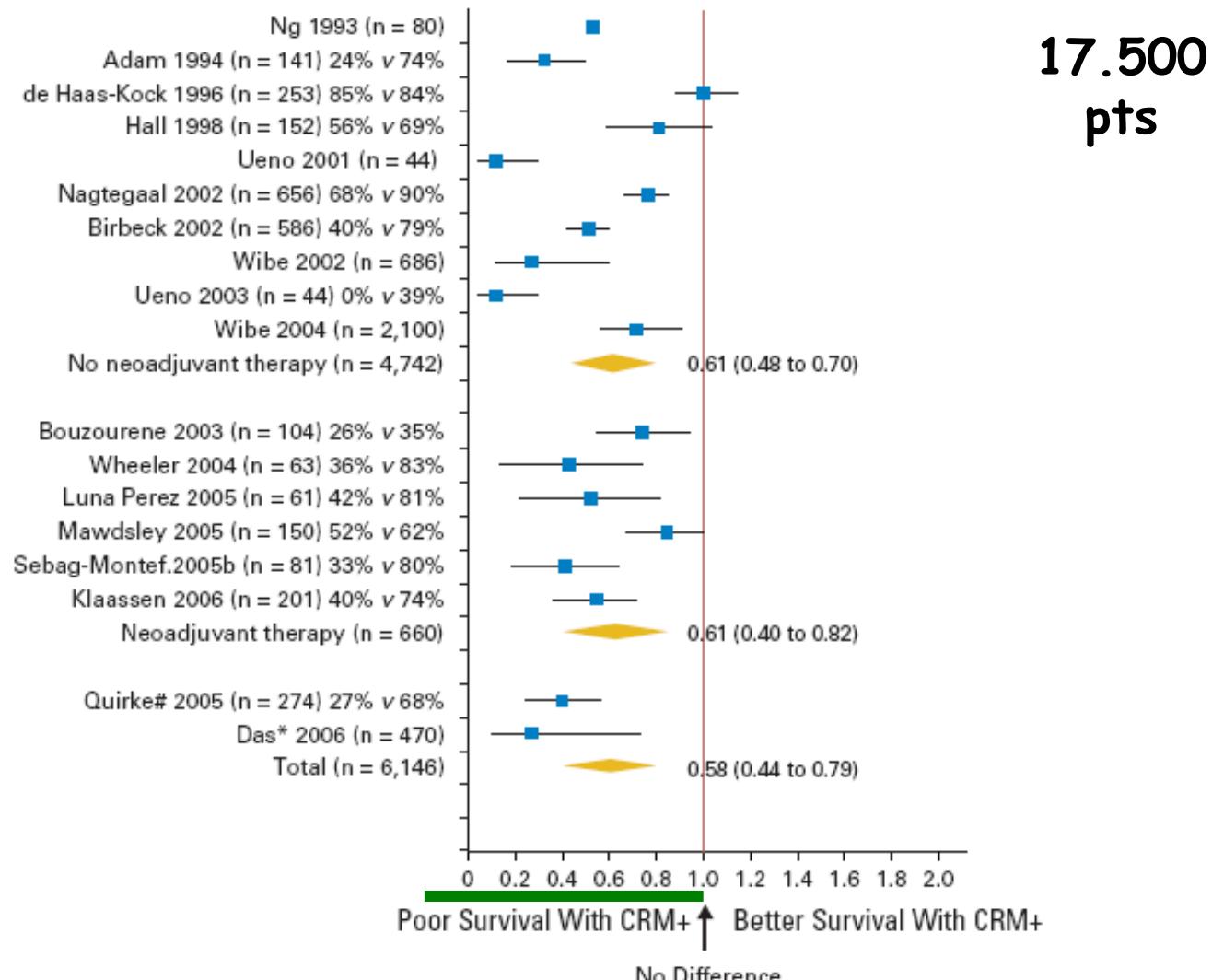
- Distal mesorectal deposits: 10-15% *Syc E et al IJROBP 2008*  
*Kusters M et Al EJCO 2010*  
*Chen W et Al Eur Surg Res 2007*

# Fascia mesorettale

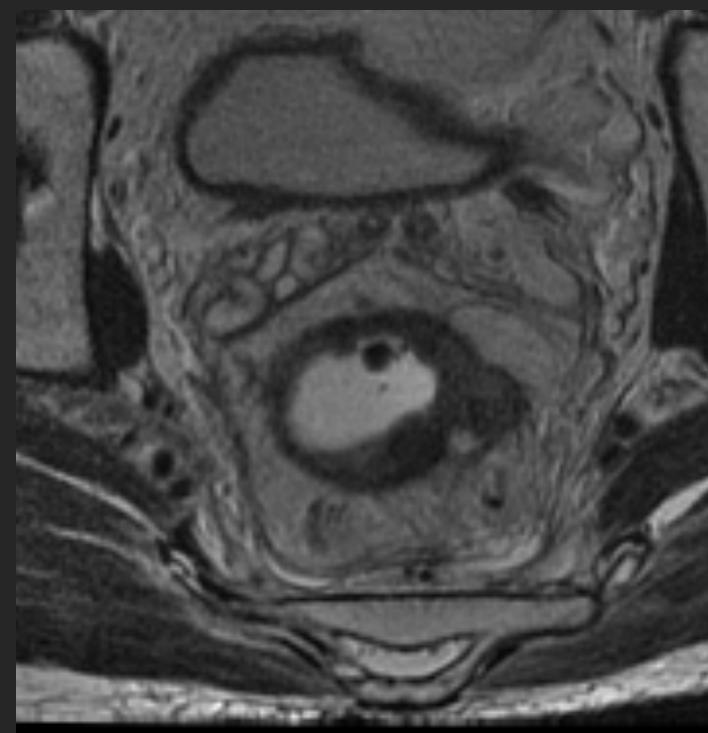
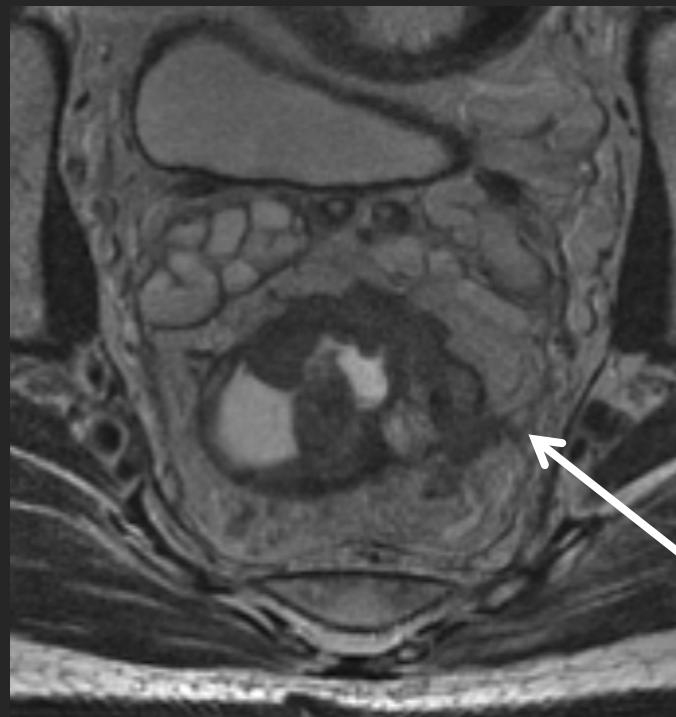


**Circumferential Resection Margin**

# La fascia mesorettale: CRM e Sopravvivenza



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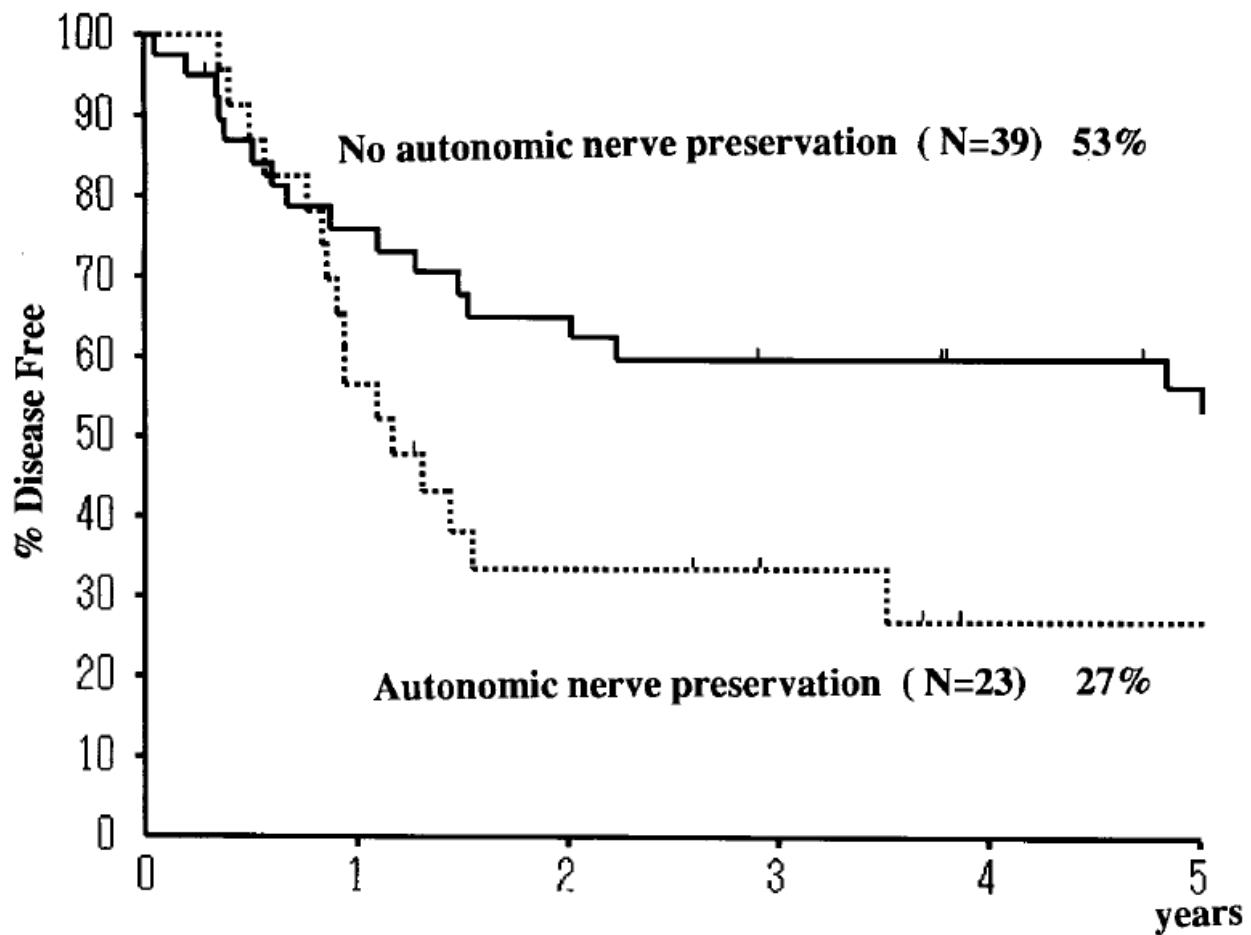


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“[...] margin involvement is not always present in the macroscopically most suspected area, but might be present in other areas [...]. The examination of additional microscopic slides had led to an increase in CRM-positive patients from 6% to 27% of patients and from 6 to 16 patients”

Naagtegaal et al. JCO 2009

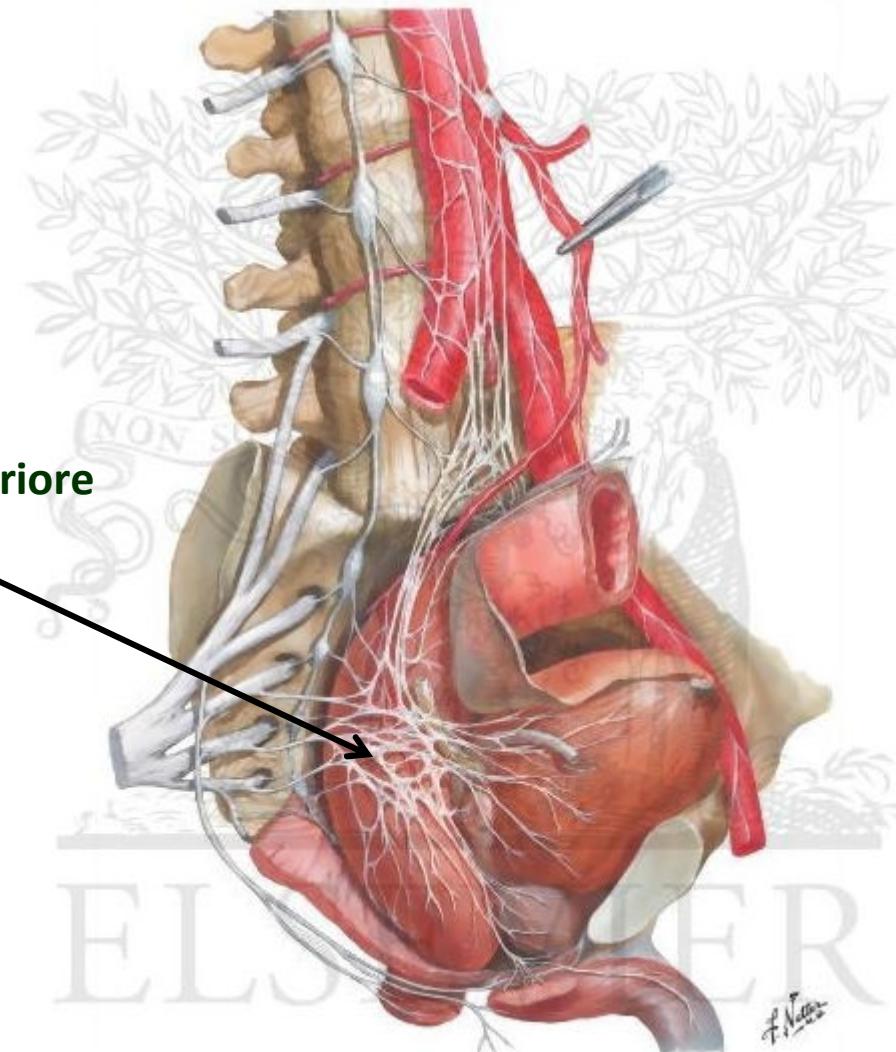
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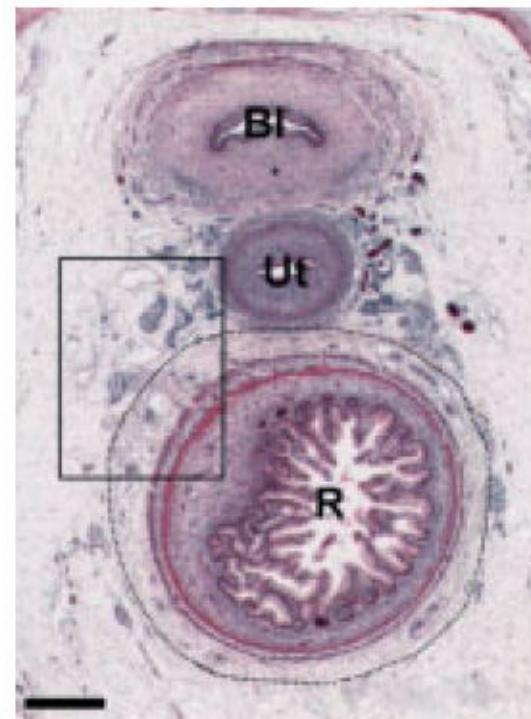
Moriya et al. World J Surg 1997

# Fascia mesorettale

Plesso ipogastrico inferiore



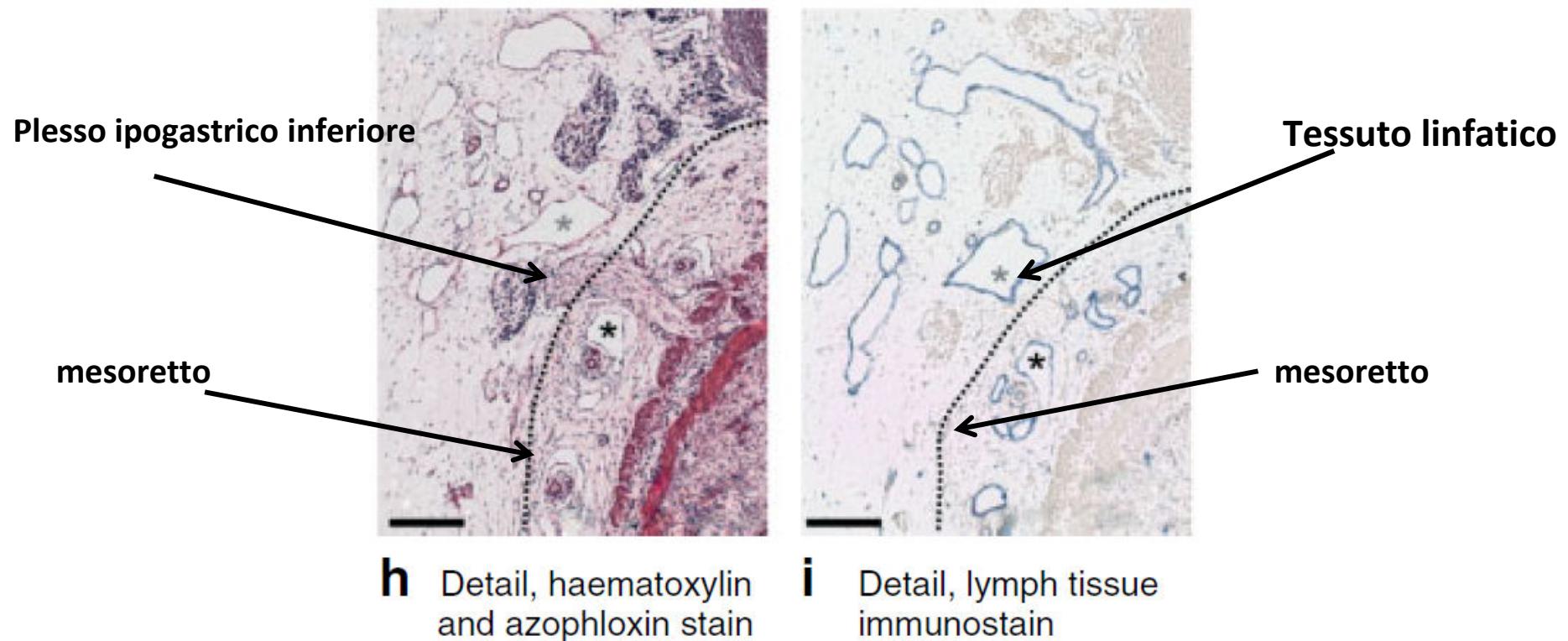
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*Kusters et al BJS 2010*

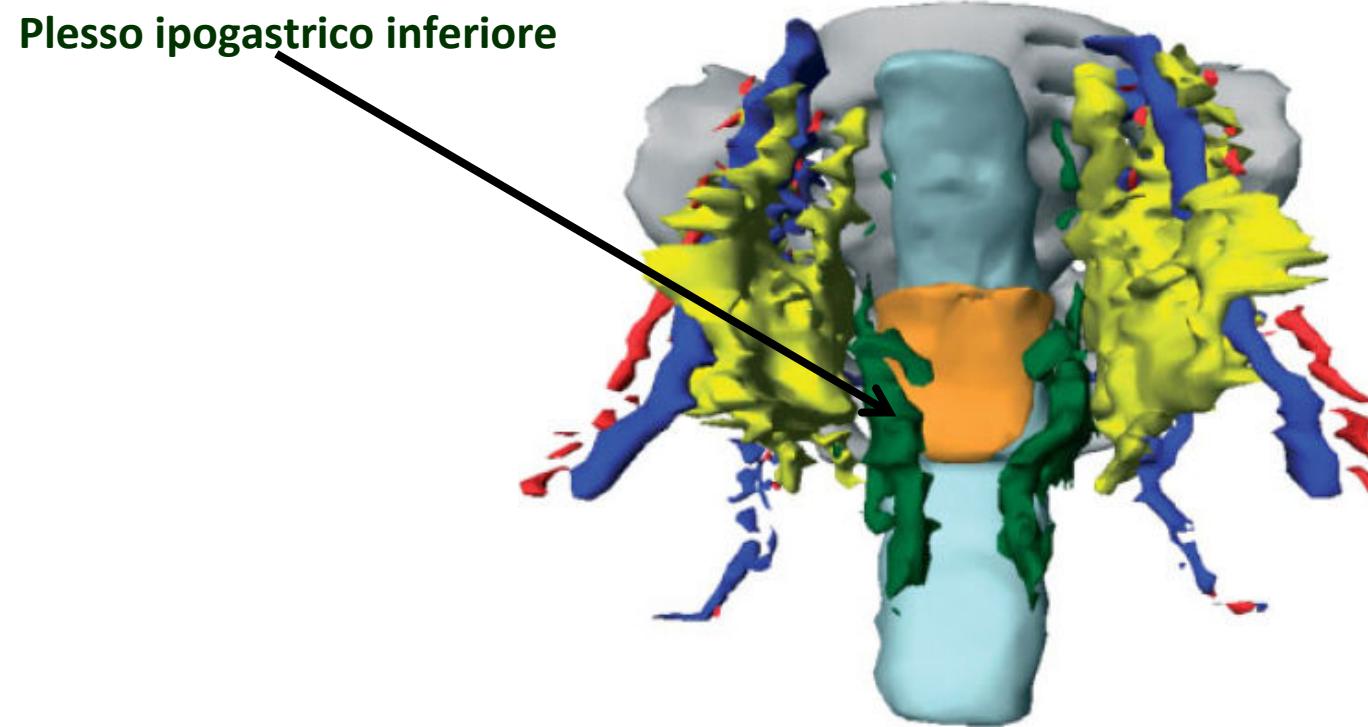
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In the proximity of the mesorectum, the autonomic nervous system and the lymph vessels had a very close relationship.

*Kusters et al BJS 2010*

# Fascia mesorettale



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# Regione presacrale

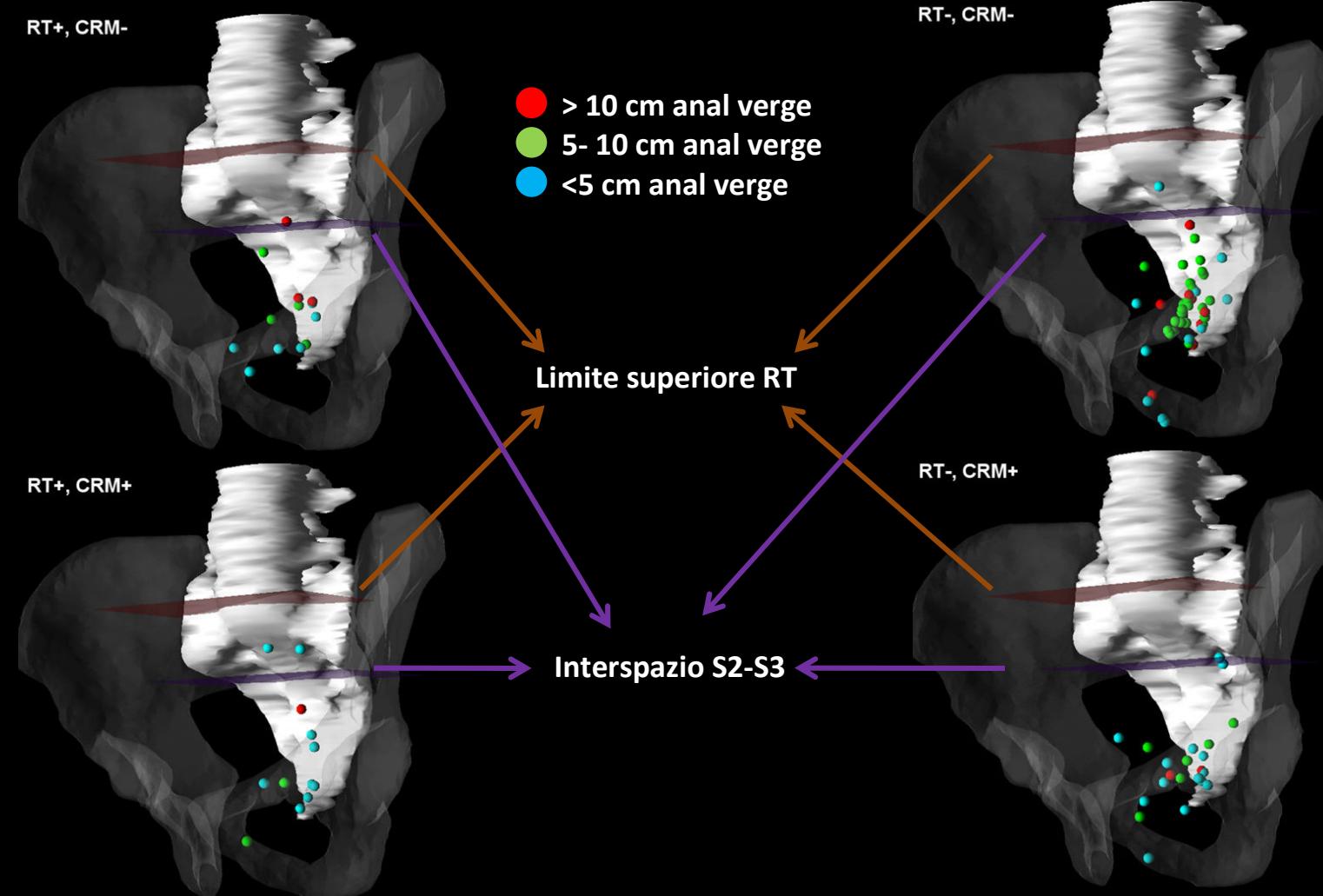
Subsites of local recurrence.

	RT + (n = 713)	RT - (n = 704)
Presacral	15 (2.0)	25 (3.6)
Lateral	9 (1.1)	14 (1.9)
Anterior	6 (0.7)	14 (1.9)
Anastomosis	5 (0.7)	19 (2.7)
Perineum	0 (0)	4 (0.6)
Unknown	1 (0.1)	2 (0.3)
TOTAL	36 (4.6)	78 (11.0)

Values in parenthesis are 5-year LR-rates, by competing risks analysis.

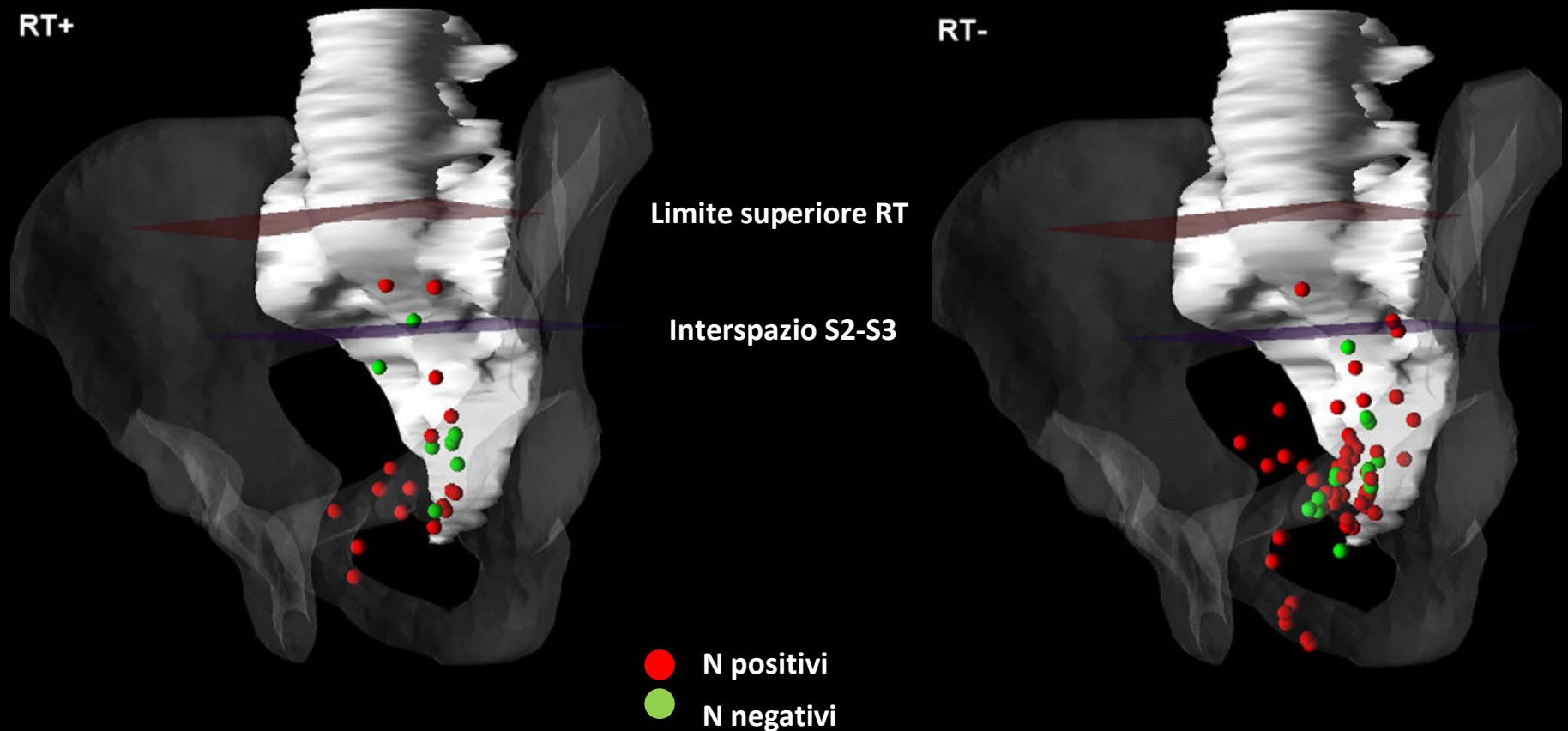
RT = preoperative radiotherapy.

# Regione presacrale: Recidiva Locale & RT, CRM



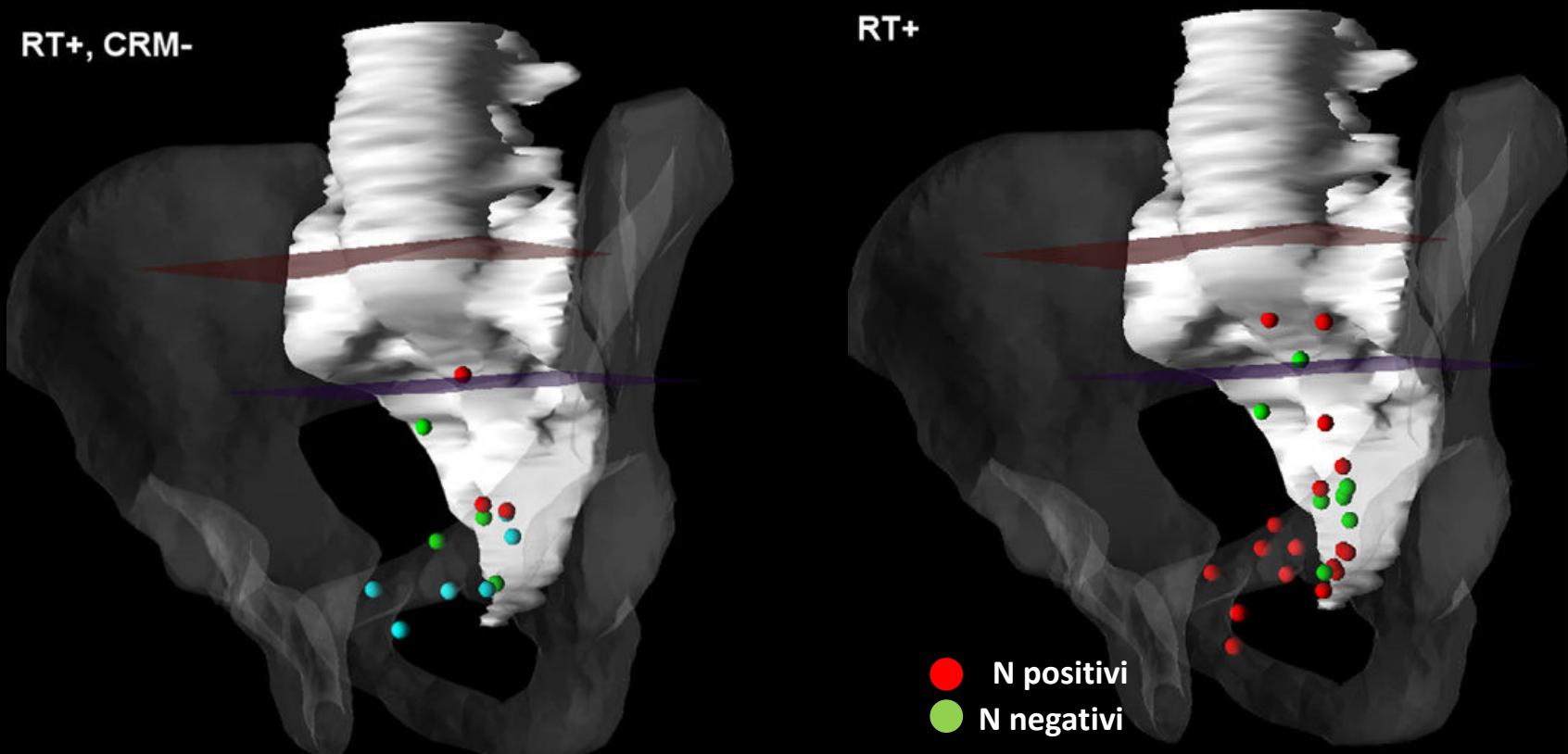
Nijkamp et al IJROBP 2011

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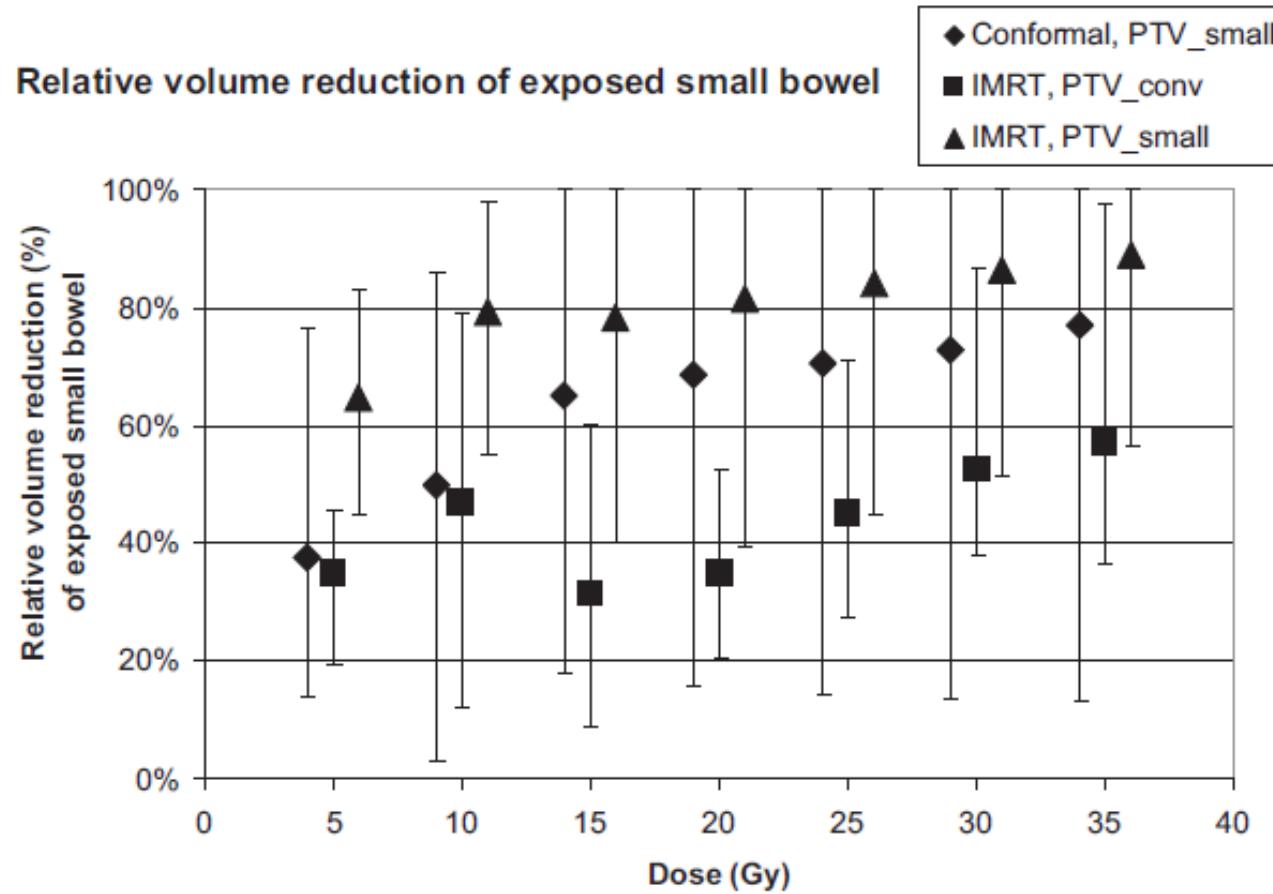
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# Regione presacrale: Recidiva Locale & N



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# CTV reduction & small bowel



**PTV small: CRM-; cN0, retto medio/basso**

*Nijkamp et al IJROBP 2011*

# N extra-mesorettali

OS 5 aa N+ extra-mesorettali: ~40%

**Recidive casistiche radiologiche: 5%**

**Recidive casistiche chirurgiche: > 15 %**

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N+mesorettali  
grading

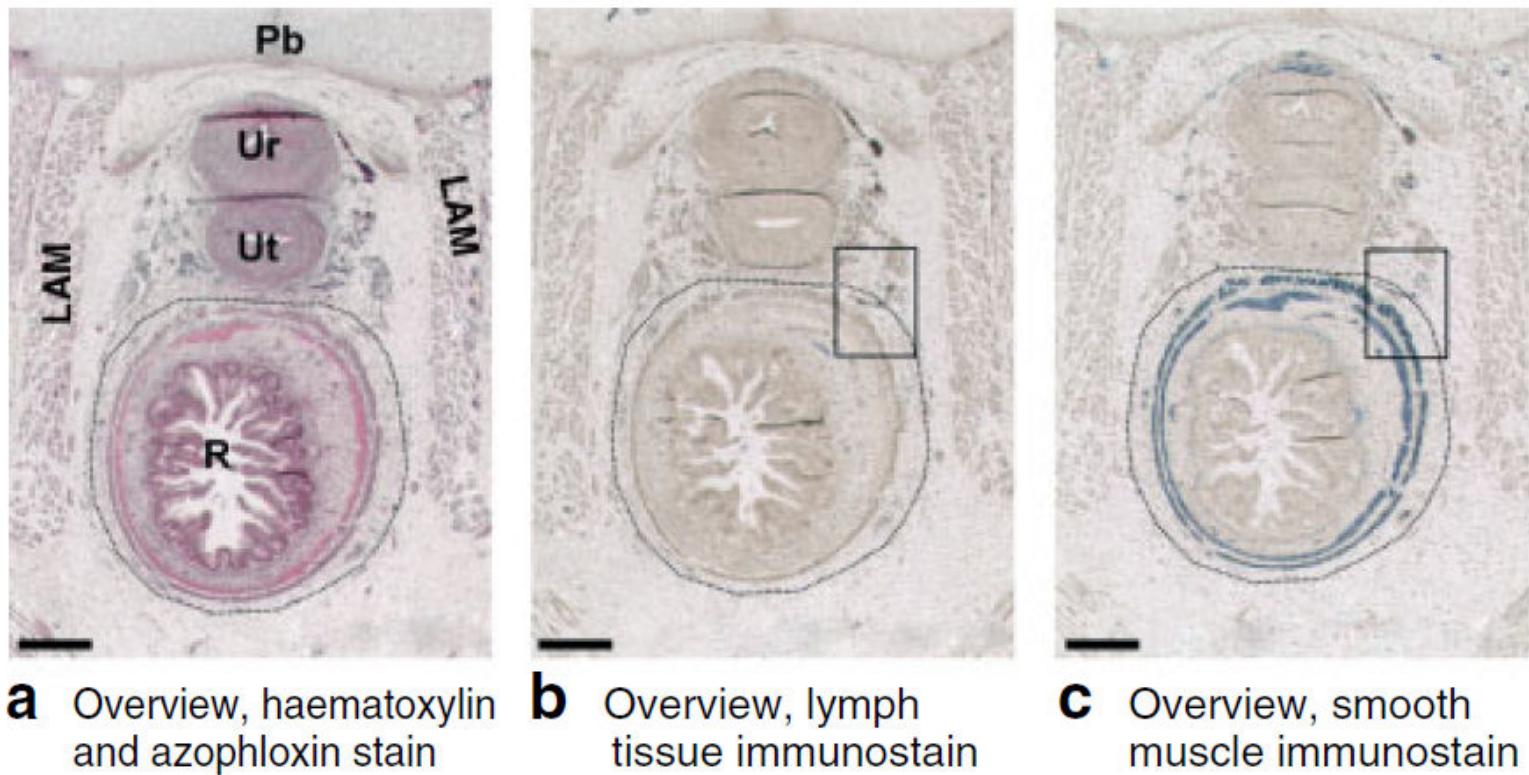
**Radioterapia vs LLND\*:**

risultati sovrapponibili con minori effetti collaterali  
(incontinenza impotenza)

\*Lateral Lymph Node Dissection

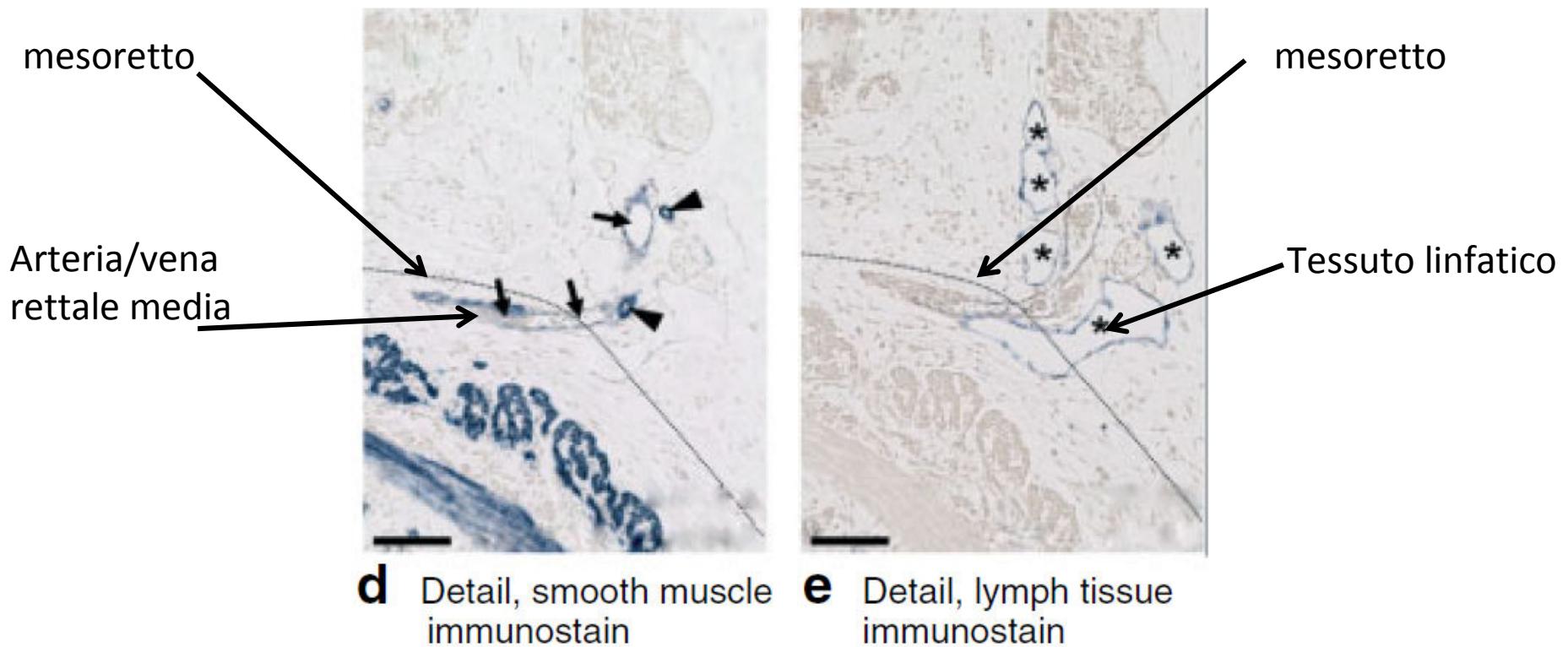
- Sato et al *Dis Colon Rectum* 2006  
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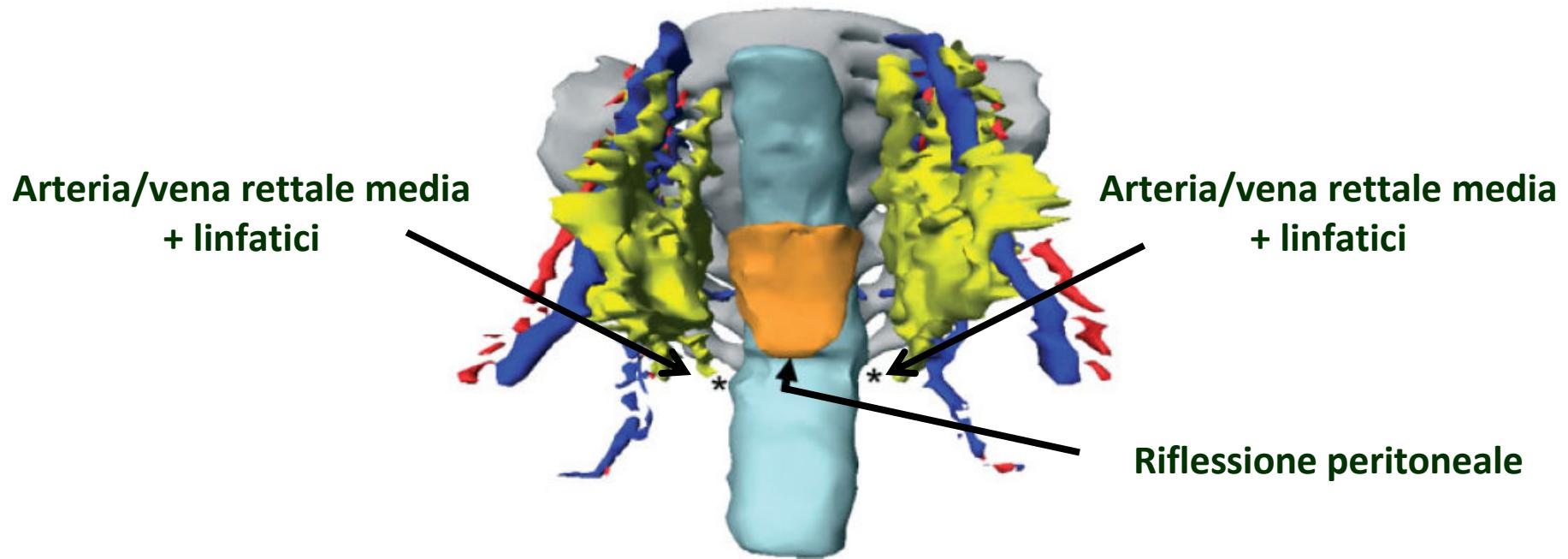


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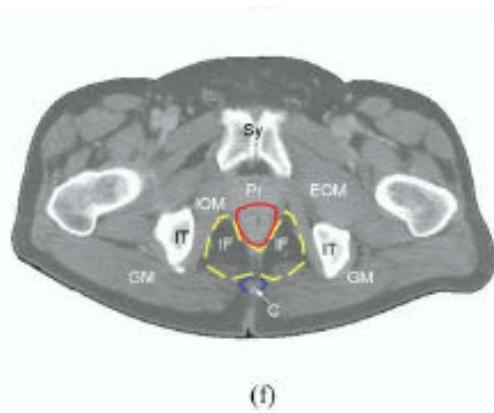
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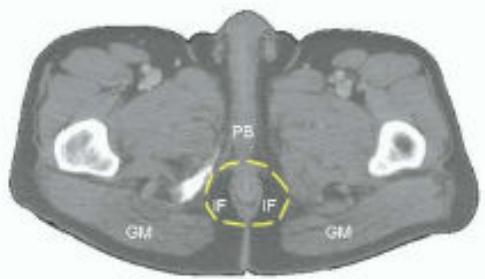
The authors hypothesized that, when mobilizing the rectum during surgical excision, lymph fluid and tumour cells flow into the lateral lymph node system. As this lateral lymph tissue is left behind in a standard TME and partly damaged during sharp dissection of the lateral ligament, one would expect the basins to start leaking after the procedure. This lymph fluid, collected presacrally in a seroma, might give rise to local tumour recurrence.

# Sfintere e fosse ischio-rettali



- 4% di tutte le RL
- 8%  $T \leq 6$  cm OAE
- 11% APR

ma...



- No N in fosse ischiorettali
- M elevatore
- Intramural spread raro  $> 1-1.5$  cm

$T > 1.5$  dall'OAI: mesoretto

$T \leq 1.5$  OAI: 1 cm canale anale

T con invasione canale anale: sphincter complex

T con invasione fossa IR: entrambe le fosse

*Roels S et Al IGROBP 2006*

*Myerson RJ IJROBP 2009*

*Ippolito E et Al Acta Oncol 2008*

*Gambacorta MA et Al. submitted*

# Conclusioni

**Table 13.2** Target volume delineation according to tumor stage and location

	Presacral space	Mesorectum	Internal iliac nodes	Obturator nodes	External iliac nodes	Sphincter complex	Ischio-rectal fossae
cT3 high (above the peritoneal reflection)	+	+	+				
cT3 mid-low (at the peritoneal reflection)	+	+	+	+		+ (when anal canal invasion)	+ (when direct tumor infiltration)
Any cT with massive positive internal iliac nodes	+	+	+	+		+ (when anal canal invasion)	+ (when direct tumor infiltration)
Any cT with massive positive obturator nodes	+	+	+	+	+	+ (when anal canal invasion)	+ (when direct tumor infiltration)
cT4 with for anterior pelvic organ	+	+	+	+	+	+ (when anal canal invasion)	+ (when direct tumor infiltration)