

# Strål- och cytostatikabehandling av hjärntumörer

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# Epidemiologi avseende primära hjärntumörer

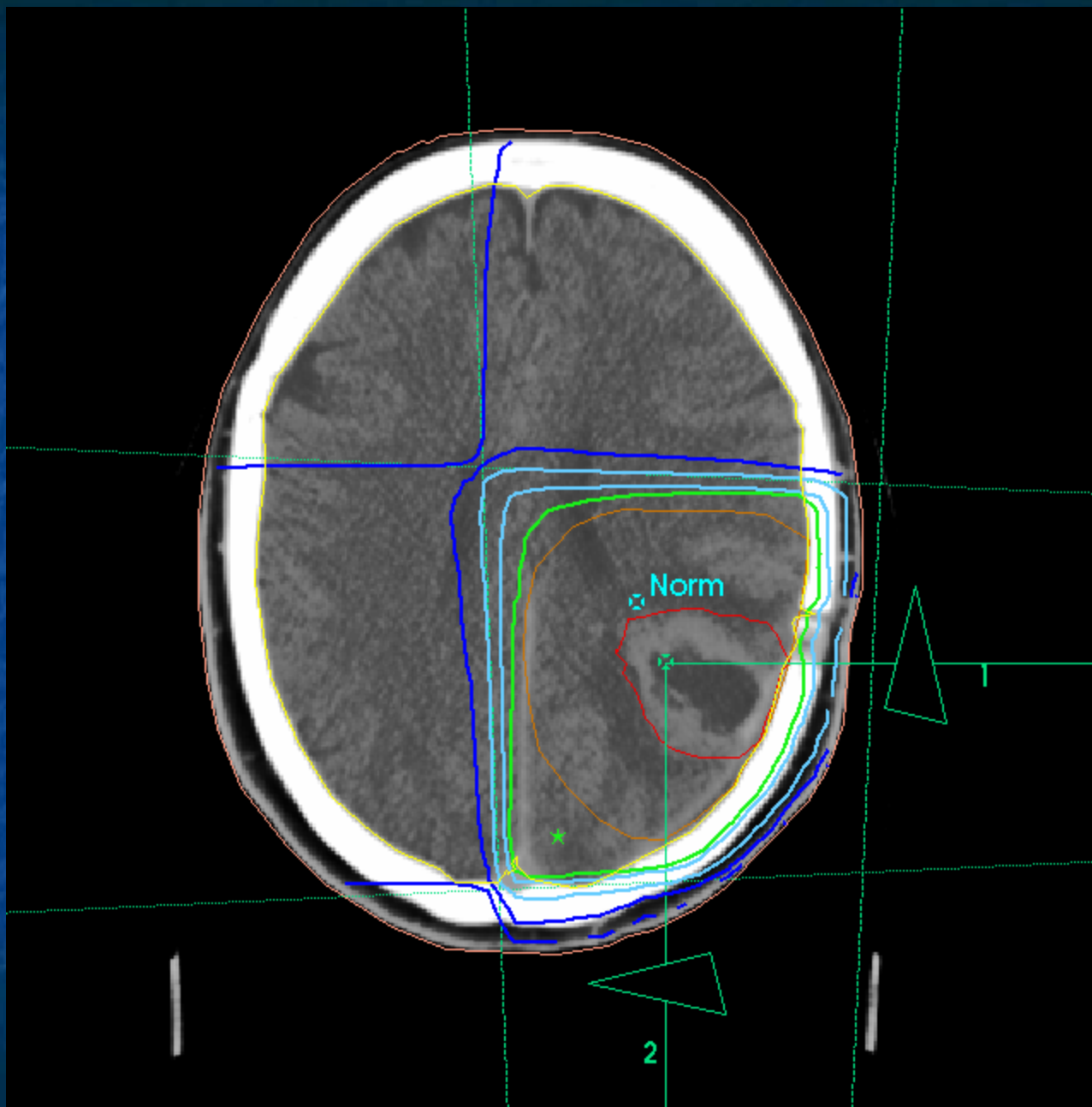
- Totalt c:a 1300 fall per år i Sverige
- 3 % av alla cancerfall
- Åldersstandardiserad incidens 12 - 15 fall per 100.000/år
- Till detta kommer ett antal fall av cerebrala metastaser

# Hjärntumörer, incidens i Sverige, 1990 - 2001.

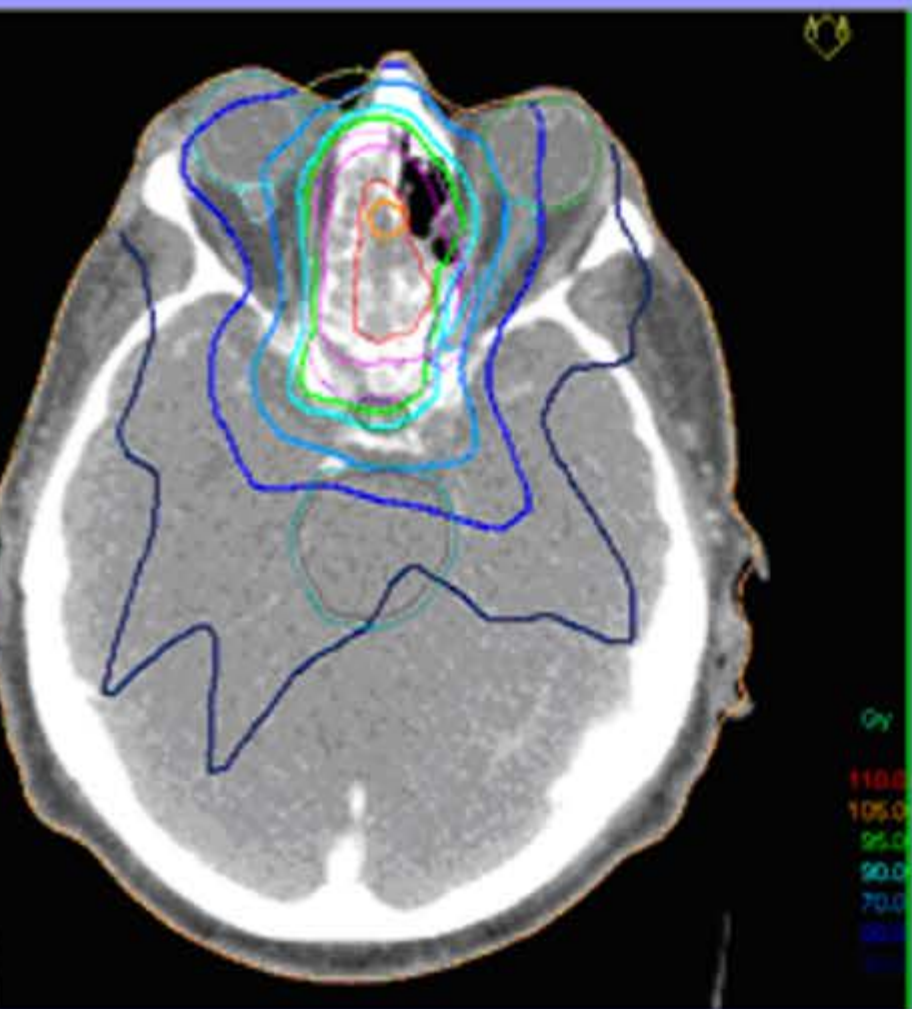
<b>Diagnos</b>	<b>Män</b>	<b>Kvinnor</b>	<b>Alla</b>	<b>Procent</b>
Lågmaligna astrocytom	79	57	136	10,6%
Högmaligna astrocytom	203	156	359	28,1%
Ependymom	16	12	28	2,2%
Meningiom	114	275	389	30,5%
Malignt meningiom	4	6	10	0,8%
Neurinom	61	62	123	9,6%
Plexuspapillom	1	2	3	0,2%
Hemangioblastom, m.fl	16	14	30	2,3%
Kraniofaryngiom	6	6	12	0,9%
Pinealom	4	2	6	0,5%
Utan PAD	52	56	108	8,5%
Övriga	45	28	73	5,7%
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<b>Totalt/år</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>1277</b>	<b>100 %</b>

# Terapi med joniserande strålning

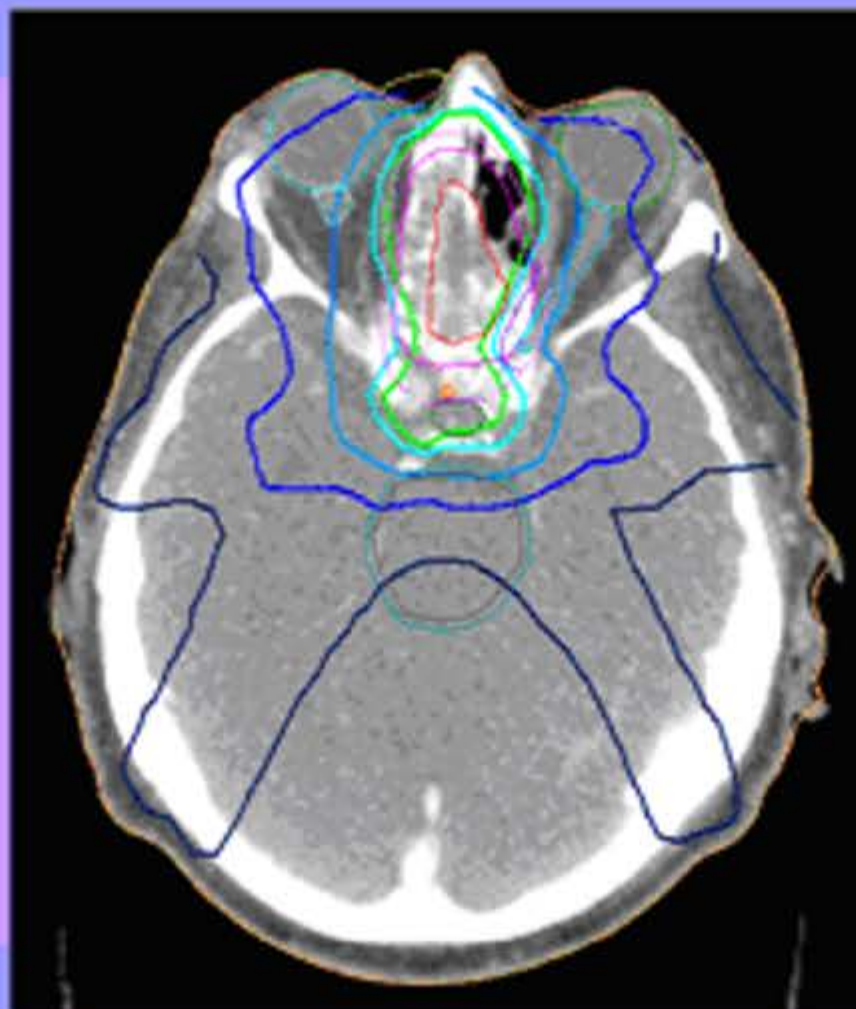
- Fotoner
  - 3-D teknik
  - IMRT
  - VMAT
  - Gammakniv ("Född" på GWI på 60-talet)
- Elektroner
- Protoner (73 pat 1971; 1274 pat 2012 vid GWI / TSL i Uppsala)
- (Neutroner; BNCT, Koljoner)



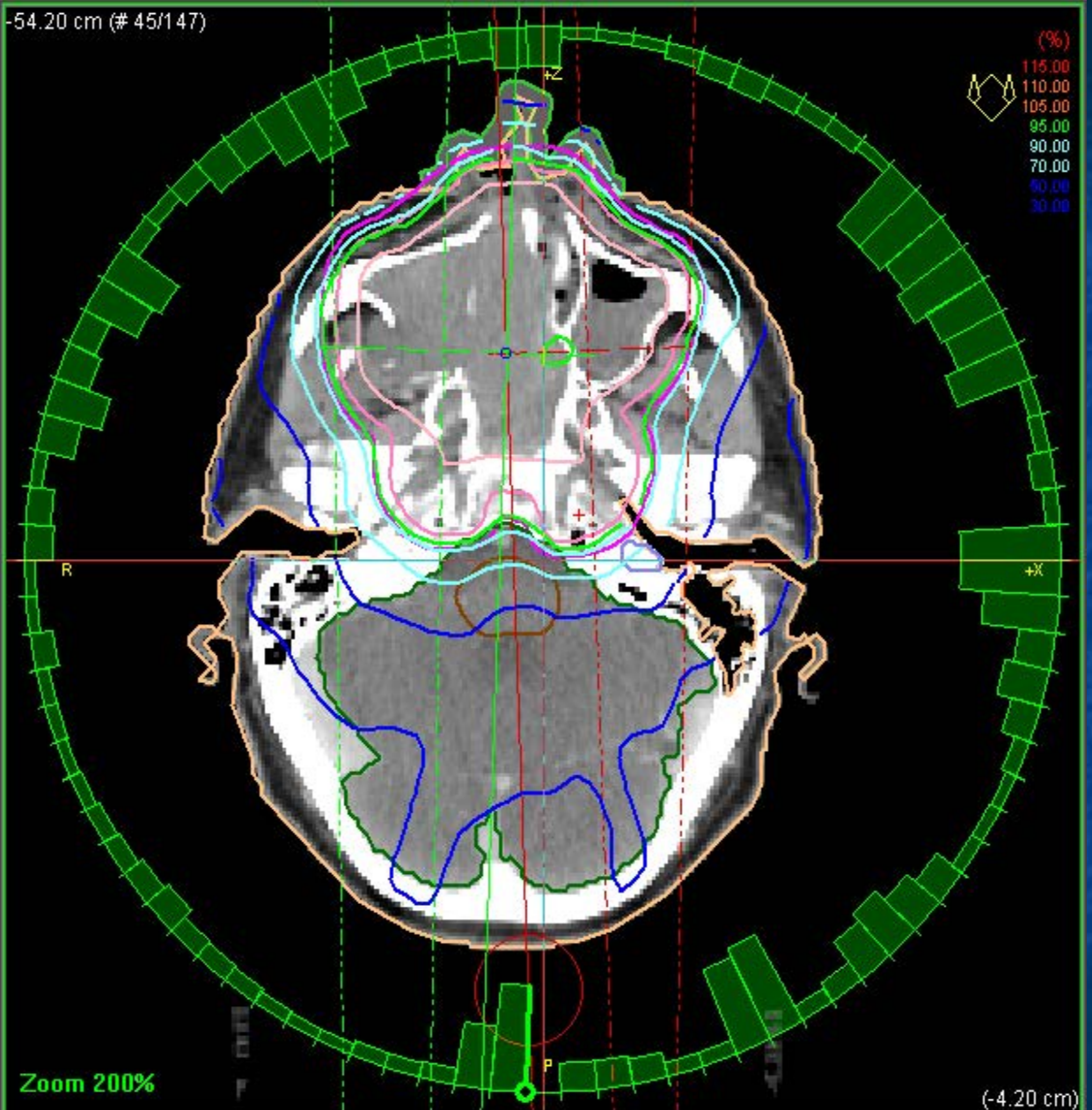
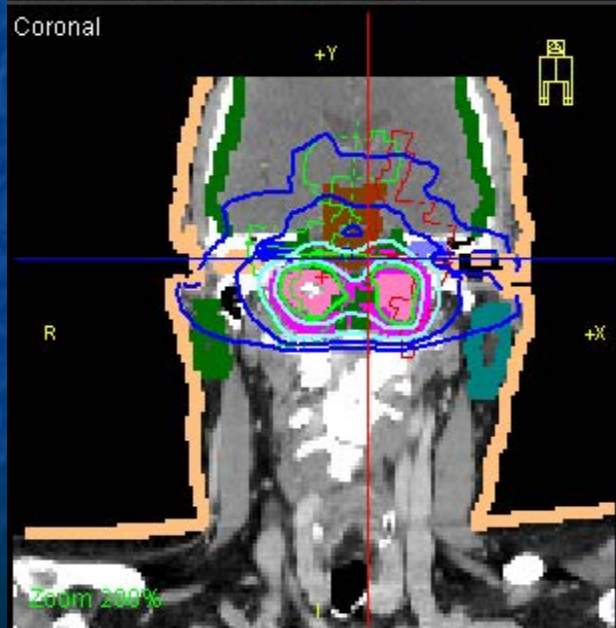
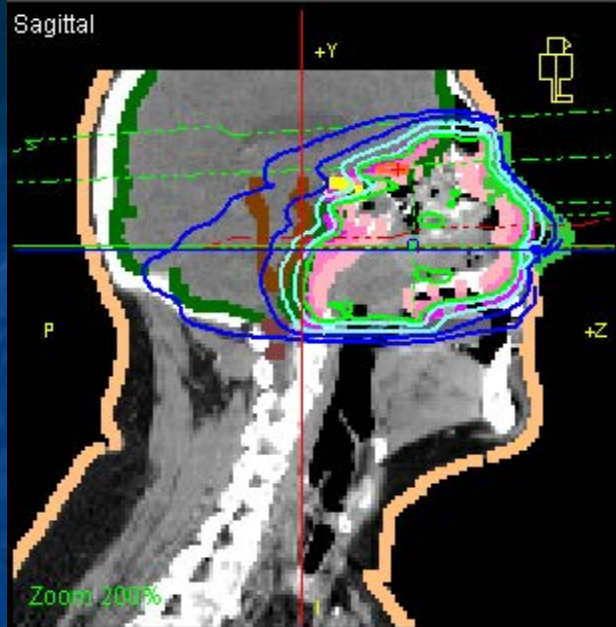
# VMAT och IMRT



VMAT



IMRT



# Strålbehandling – kliniskt sammanhang

Kurativt syftande – Palliativ?

Preoperativ – Postoperativ – Per se?

Konkomitant behandling?



Huru veta vi att radioterapi av  
hjärnan hos patienter med  
malignt gliom har effekt?

## Randomized Trials of +/- XRT

Author	N	Schema	Results
Shapiro (1976)	33	Post-op RT and BCNU vs BCNU	MST with BCNU alone 30 weeks compared to 44.4 wks for RT + BCNU ( $P = ns$ )
Andersen (1978)	108	Post-op RT best supportive care	Post-op RT significantly improves survival compared to best supportive care ( $P < .05$ )
Walker (1978)	303	Post-op BCNU, RT, BCNU+RT, or best supportive care	Patients receiving RT had significantly longer MST than patients receiving BCNU or best supportive care
Walker (1980)	467	Post-op, Me-CCNU RT, Me-CCNU+RT	Patients receiving RT had significantly longer survival than patients receiving Me-CCNU alone
Kristiansen (1981)	118	Post-op RT, RT + bleomycin, or supportive care	MST with RT alone 10.2 months compared to 5.2 months with supportiva care ( $P = significant$ )
Sandberg-W. (1991)	171	Post-op PCV +/-RT	MST with PCV alone 42 wks compared to 62 wks for PCV + RT ( $P = .028$ )

(EB 2007)

# Strålbehandling - dosplanering

- Volym: GTV, CTV, PTV
- Fraktionsdos: 1,8 – 2,0
- Totaldos: 50 – 60 Gy
- Total behandlingstid: 5 dagar i veckan utan paus

# Såå..... vid högmaligna gliom - strålbehandling..... Hur?

Fraktionsdos = 2 Gy

Veckodos = 10 Gy

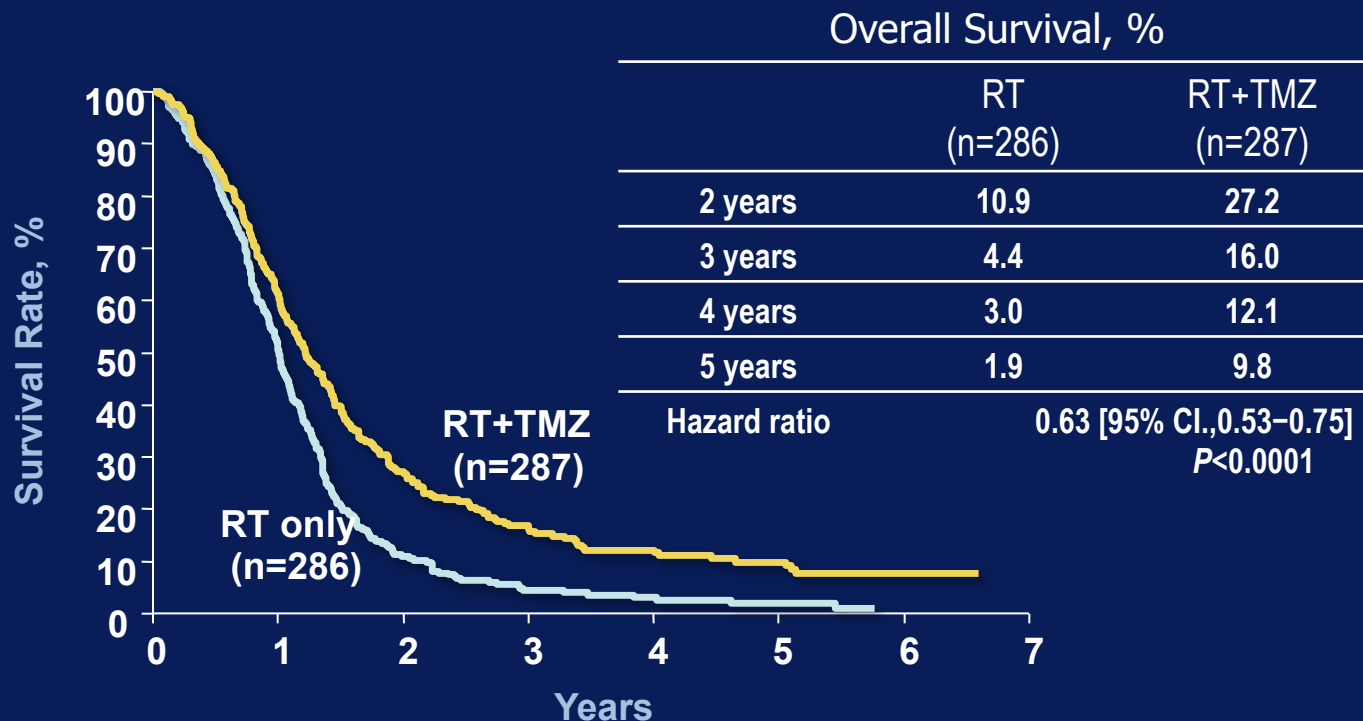
Totaldos = 60 Gy

ev. Temodal: Neoadjuvant,  
concomitant,  
neo-adjuvant

# ”A small step for dr Stupp - a big leap for patients with GBM”

1. Concomitant: Temozolomide 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> daily during radiotherapy
2. Adjuvant: Temozolomide in 6 courses 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup> daily for 5 days and 23 days of a free interval

# Adding Temozolomide to Radiation Significantly Improved Survival: 5-Year Follow-Up<sup>1</sup>



RT = radiation therapy; TMZ = temozolomide.

1. Stupp R et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2009;10:459-466.

# ”Låg-maligna” tumörer

## Behandling:

- Vanligen 1,8 – 2,0 Gy till 50 – 56 Gy per se eller postop.
- Tabl. Temodal prövas ofta då re-operation och/eller re-bestrålning inte bedömes lämplig

Vid Gliomatosis cerebri ges ofta Tabl. Temodal initialt

# Blod-hjärn-barriären ("BBB")





# Mest använda cytostatika

- Temodal (temozolomid) p.o.
- Avastin (bevacizumb) i.v.
- PCV (kombination av procarbazin, CCNU och vincristin) p.o. o. i.v.

# Strålreaktion

1. Akut
2. Intermediär
3. Sen

# Strålreaktioner i CNS



# Strålreaktioner i hjärnan

## Akut strålreaktion

Vasogent ödem

Direkt stråleffekt på:

endotel, astrocyter och oligodendrocyter

kapillärer/arterioli i hjärnan och kärlen i  
blod-hjärnbarriären

cerebrala ganglion

# Strålreaktioner i hjärnan

## Sen strålreaktion

Hjärnnekros - kan vara svår att skilja radiologiskt från återväxt av gliom

Plack med demyelinisering

Ischemisk infarkt

# A short History of Proton Beam Therapy

- 1946 Wilson suggests high energy protons for radiotherapy
- 1954 First patient treated with protons at Berkeley
- 1957 First cancer in a patient treated with protons in Uppsala
- 1961 First patient treated at the Harvard cyclotron
- 1989 Treatment restarted in Uppsala
- 1990 First hospital-based proton beam facility at Loma Linda, CA, USA

# Något om p+-terapi vid The Svedberg Laboratoriet

- Nuvarande serie startade April 1989.
- Initialt 5 – 6 veckor om året o. 75 MeV
- Sedan 1 juli 2005 35 veckor om året o. 180 MeV
- 2012; 1274 patienter protonstrålbehandlade vid TSL
- 2015; Scandionkliniken startar

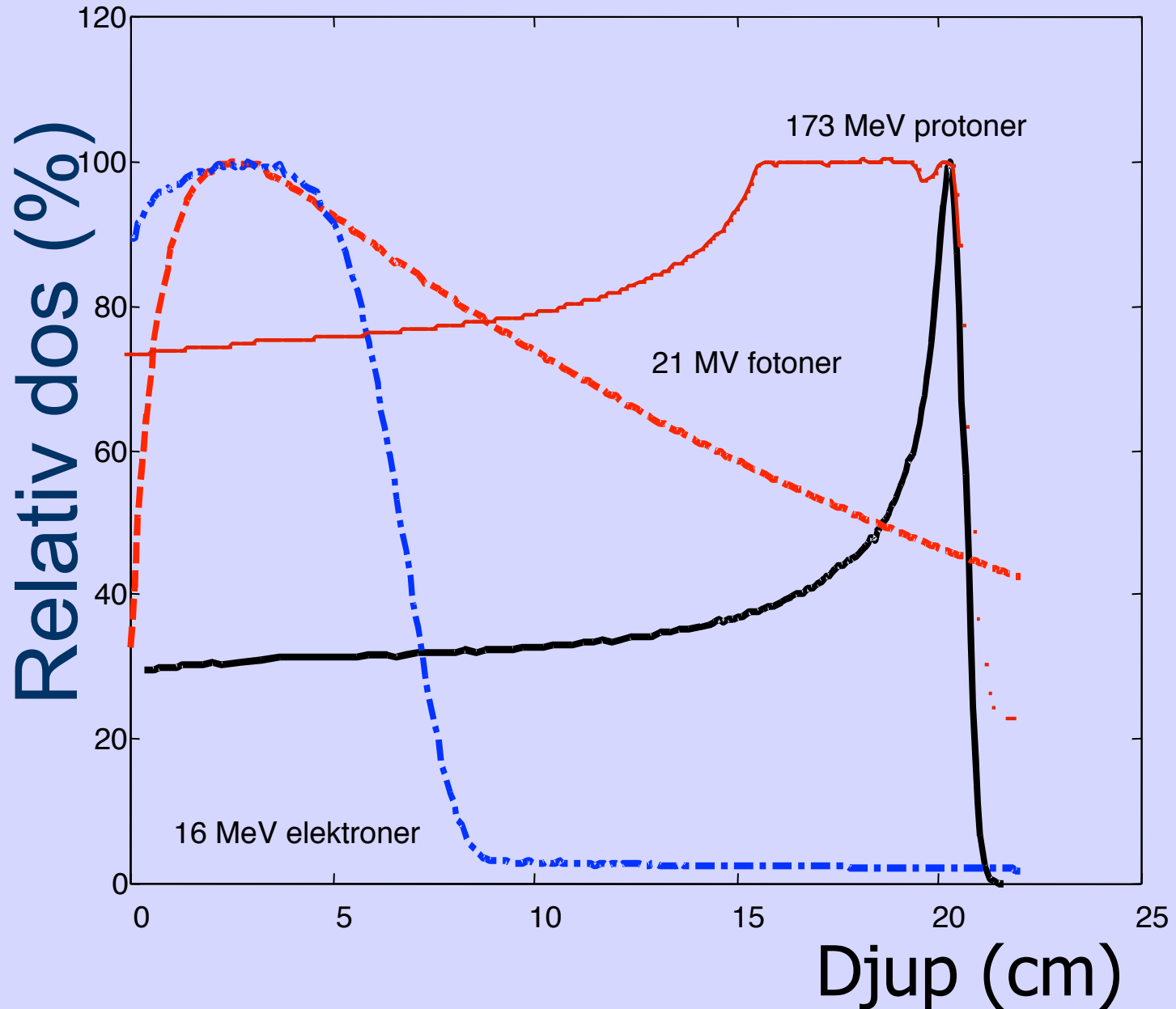
# Proton beam treatments in Uppsala

The Svedberg  
Laboratory

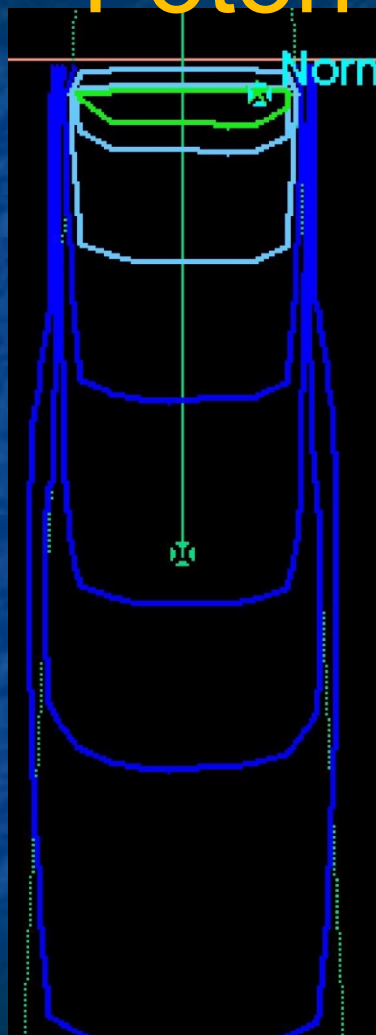




# Strålfysikaliska skillnader



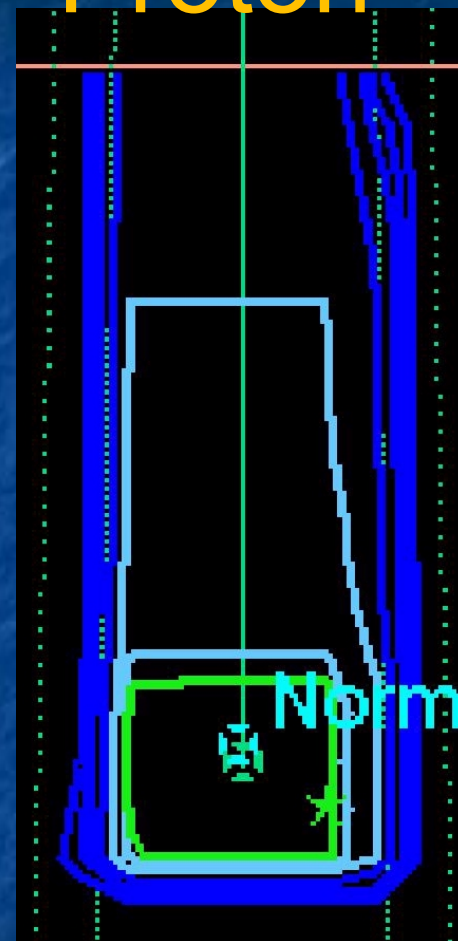
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# Elektron



# Proton



# Cyclotrons

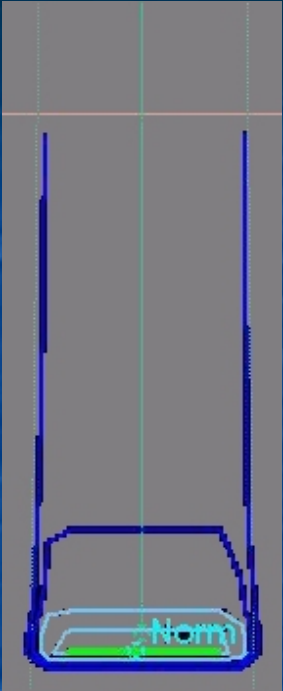
TSL Uppsala

Continuous  
beam

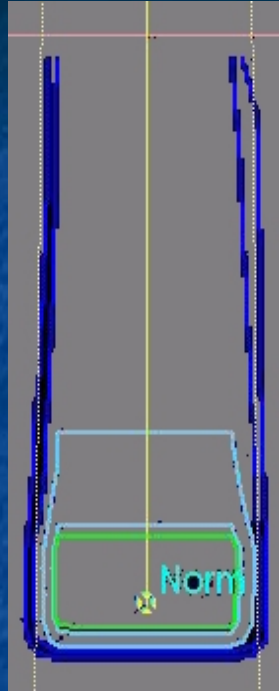
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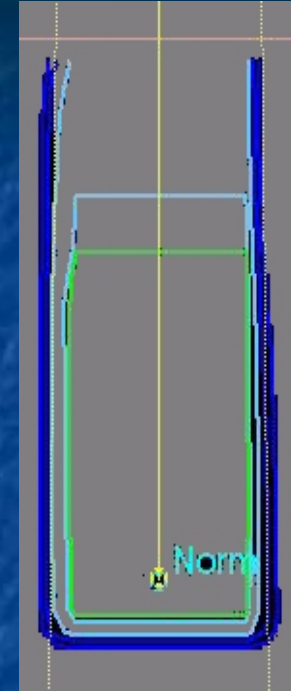
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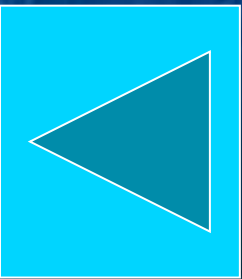
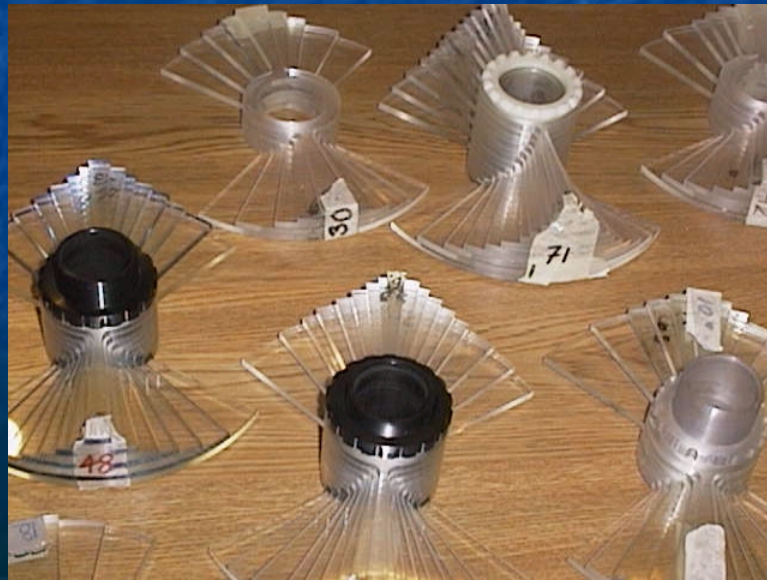
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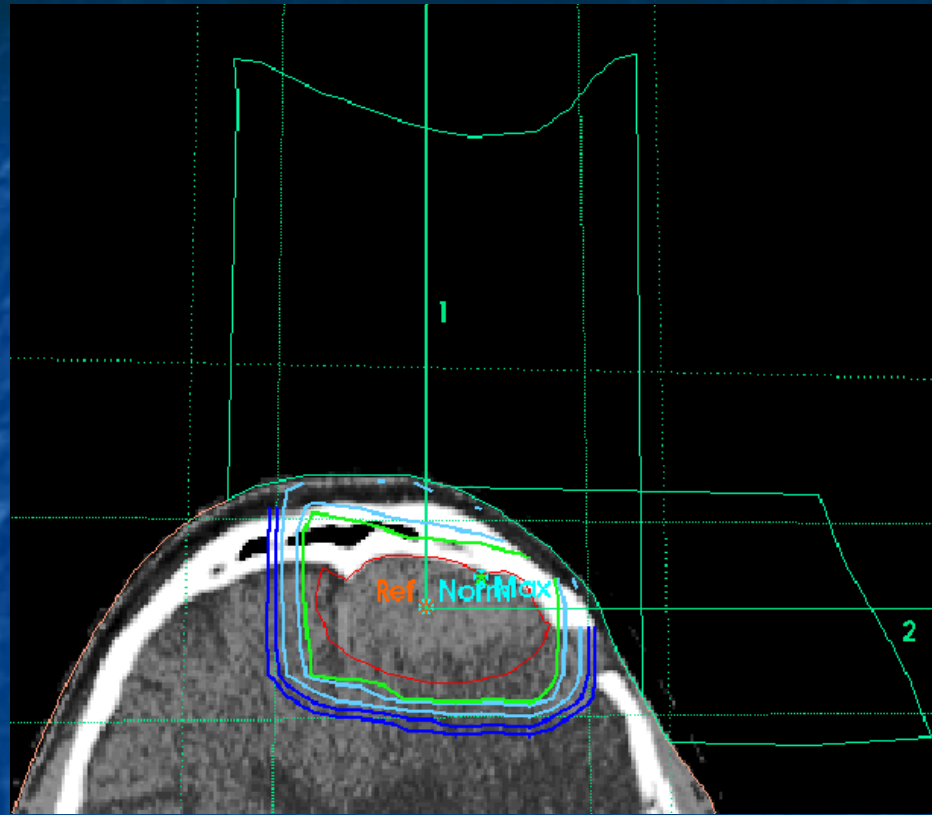
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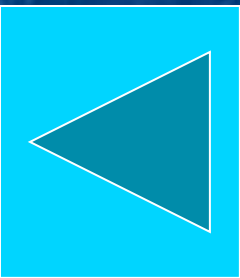
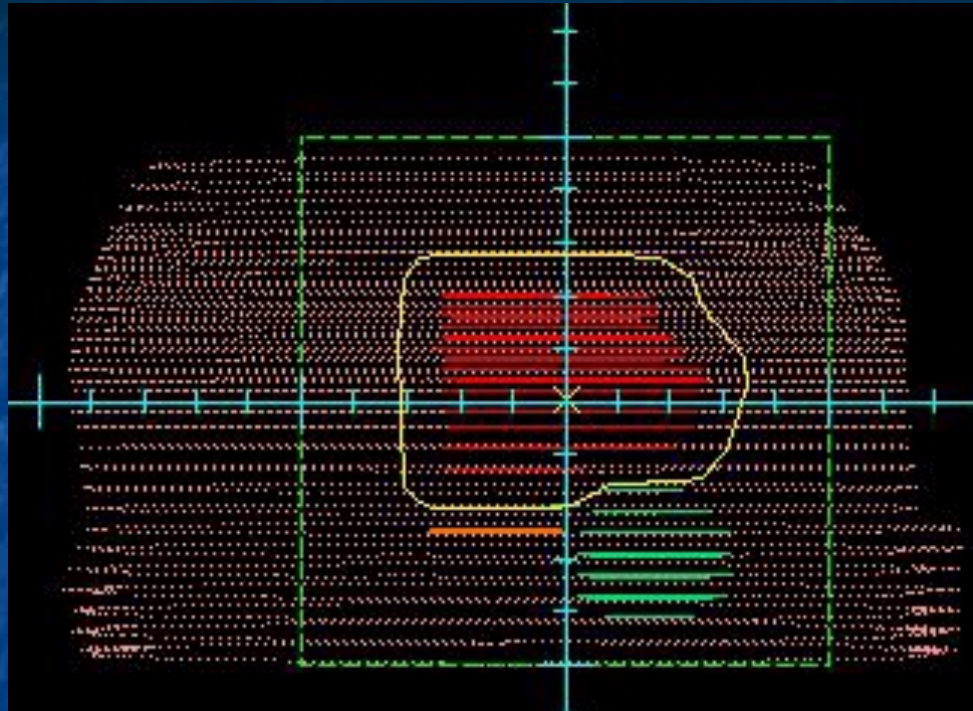
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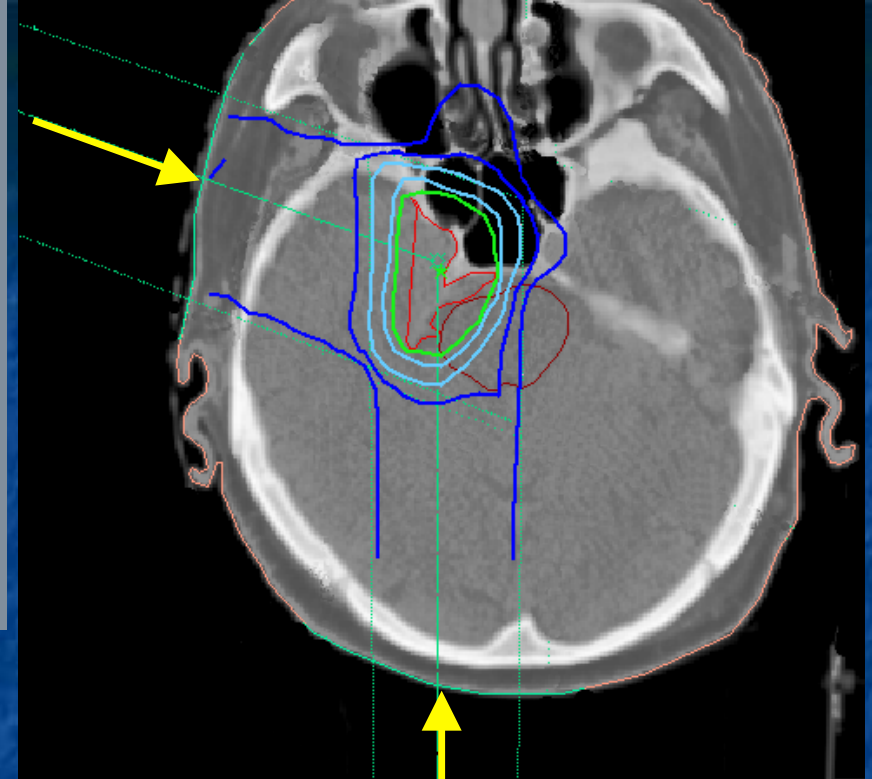
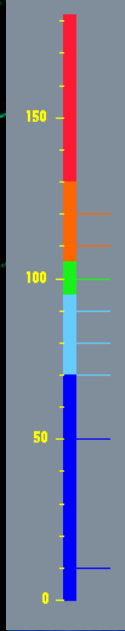
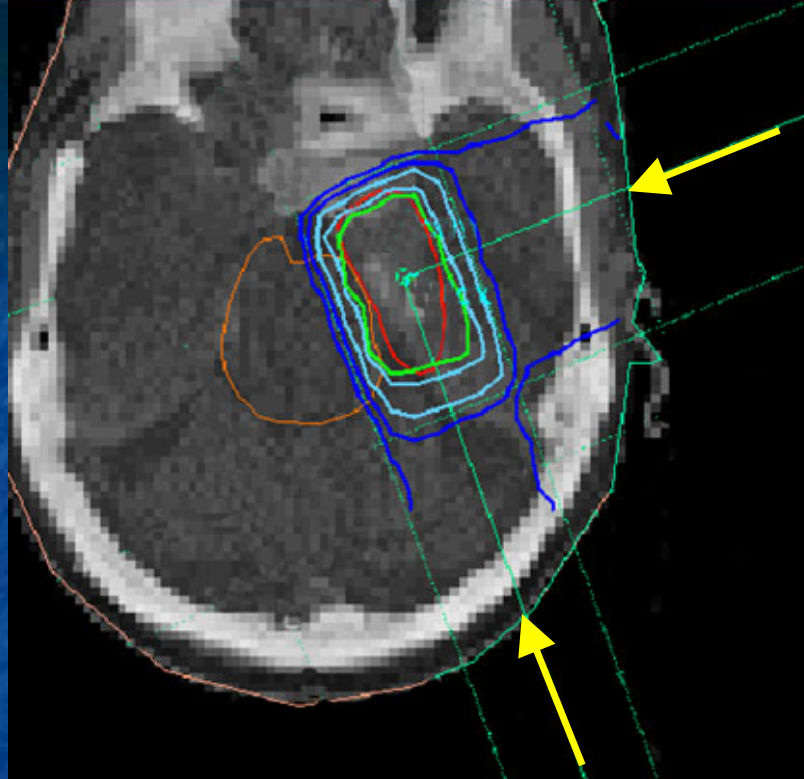


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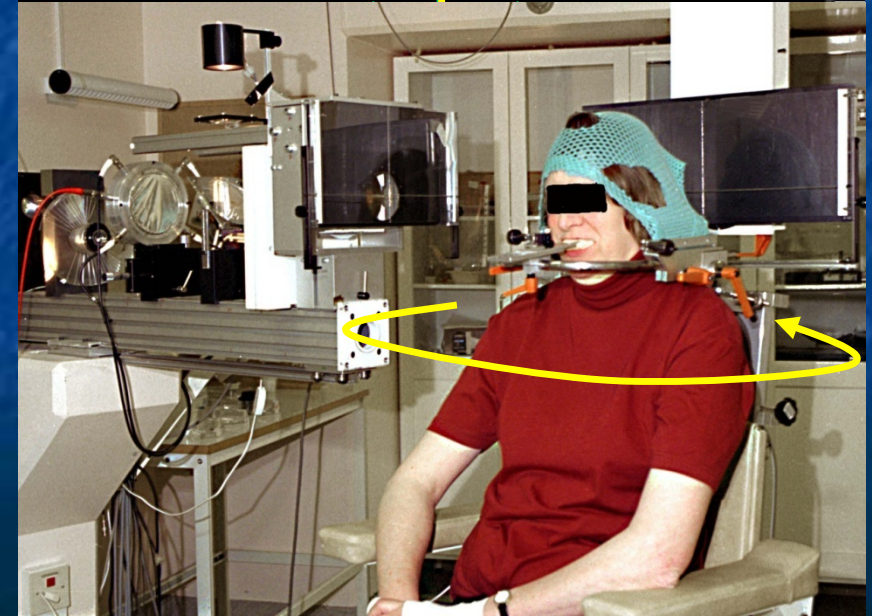


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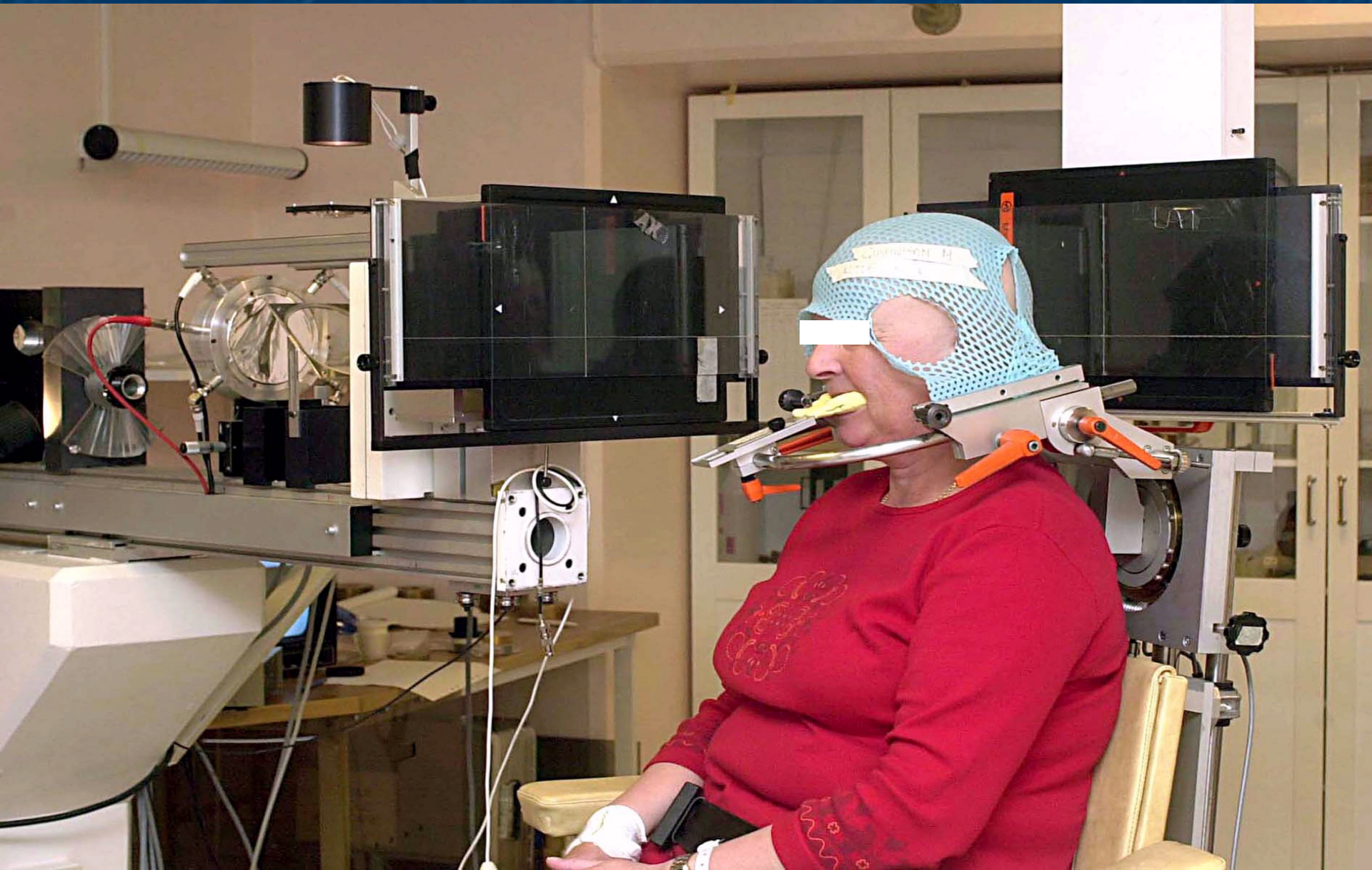




Examples of intracranial targets (meningiomas) treated at TSL



# Positioning och fixation





# Proton beam radiotherapy at TSL

Now 35 weeks per year. (Recently: one week per month).

Intracranial and subcranial targets

Tumors in the spine or with paraspinal location

Prostate cancers

## **Benign targets**

Exclusively protons

AVM:s

Meningeomas

Pituitary tumors

## **Malignant targets**

Exclusively protons

Metastases

Uveal and iris melanomas

Protons as a boost

Malignant gliomas

Chordomas and chondrosarcomas

Head-and-neck cancers

Prostate cancers

# P+-terapi: Exempel

Meningiom (WHO grad I):

- a. Hypofraktionering 4 x 6 Gy(RBE)
- b. Hypofraktionering 10 x 3 Gy(RBE)
- c. ”Konventionell” fraktionering:  
23 – 28 x 1,8 - 2 GY(RBE)

# Glioblastomas; treatment

## Doubtful effect on survival:

- Hyperfractionation
- Accelerated fractionation
- Higher total dose than 60 Gy in 2 Gy fractions
- Higher LET; fast neutrons, He-ions, Neon-ions,
- BNCT
- Oxygen mimicking drugs (misonidazole)

# A bright future for science and improvements for our patients



Tack för uppmärksamheten!



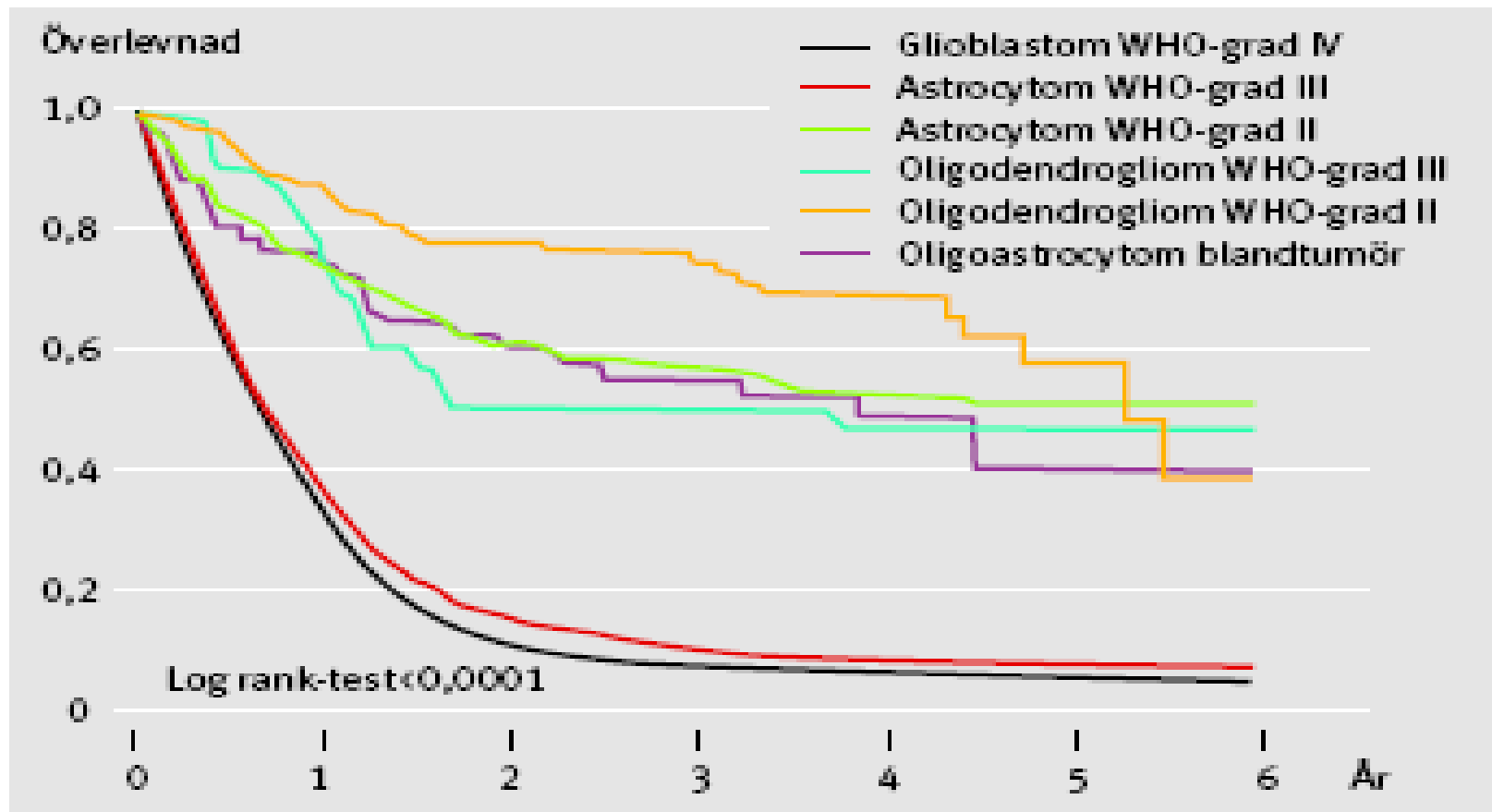
# Högmaligna gliom

(glioblastom m. fl.)

## Faktorer som påverkar prognos

- ❑ Ålder
- ❑ Allmän kondition (Karnofsky, WHO P.S.)
- ❑ Histopatologi - proliferationsindex
- ❑ Resektionens storlek

# Overall survival of glioma patients in Sweden

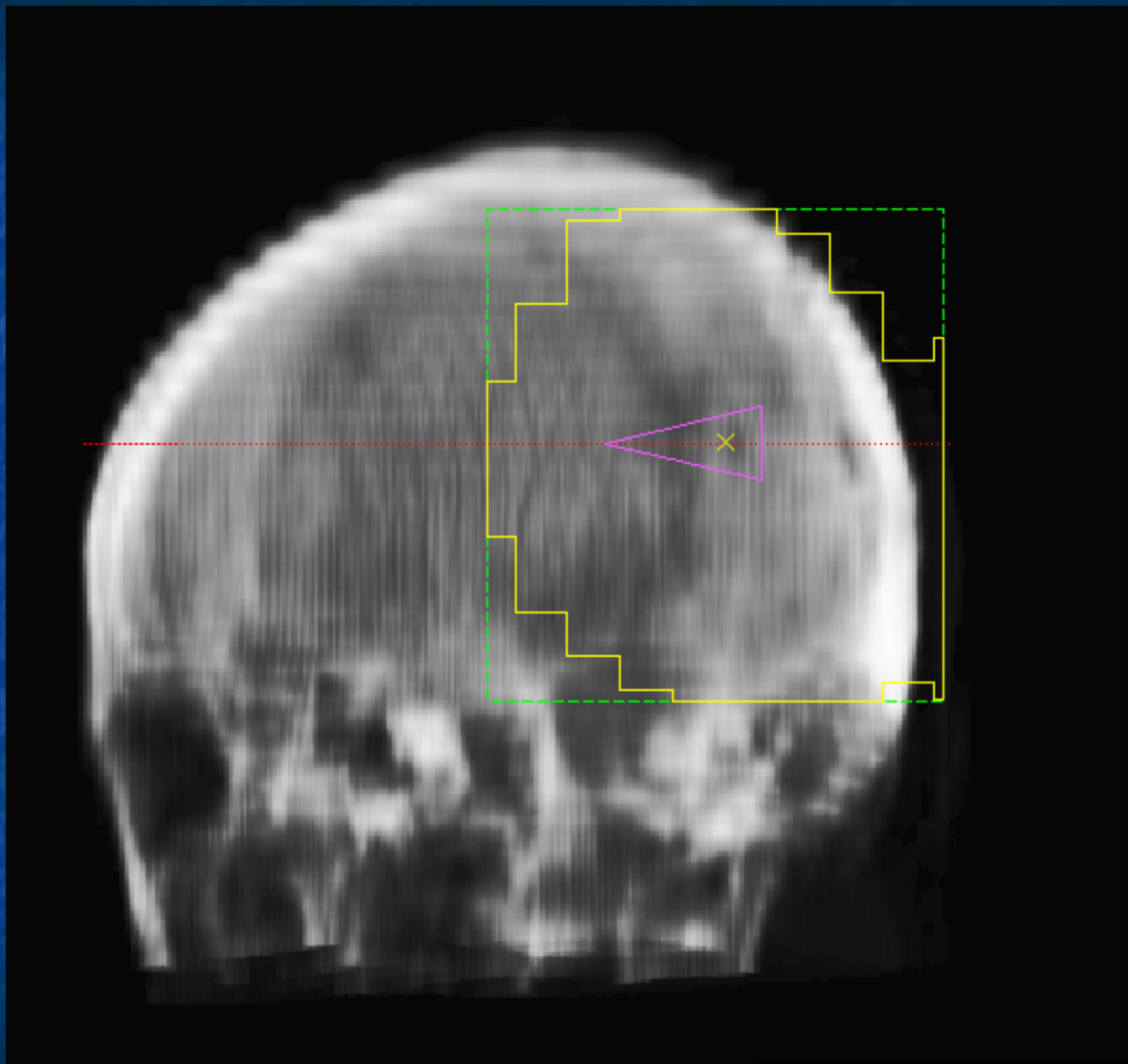


Figur 4. Överlevnad för alla rapporterade patienter med astrocytära tumörer, oligodendrogliom och oligoastrocytom.

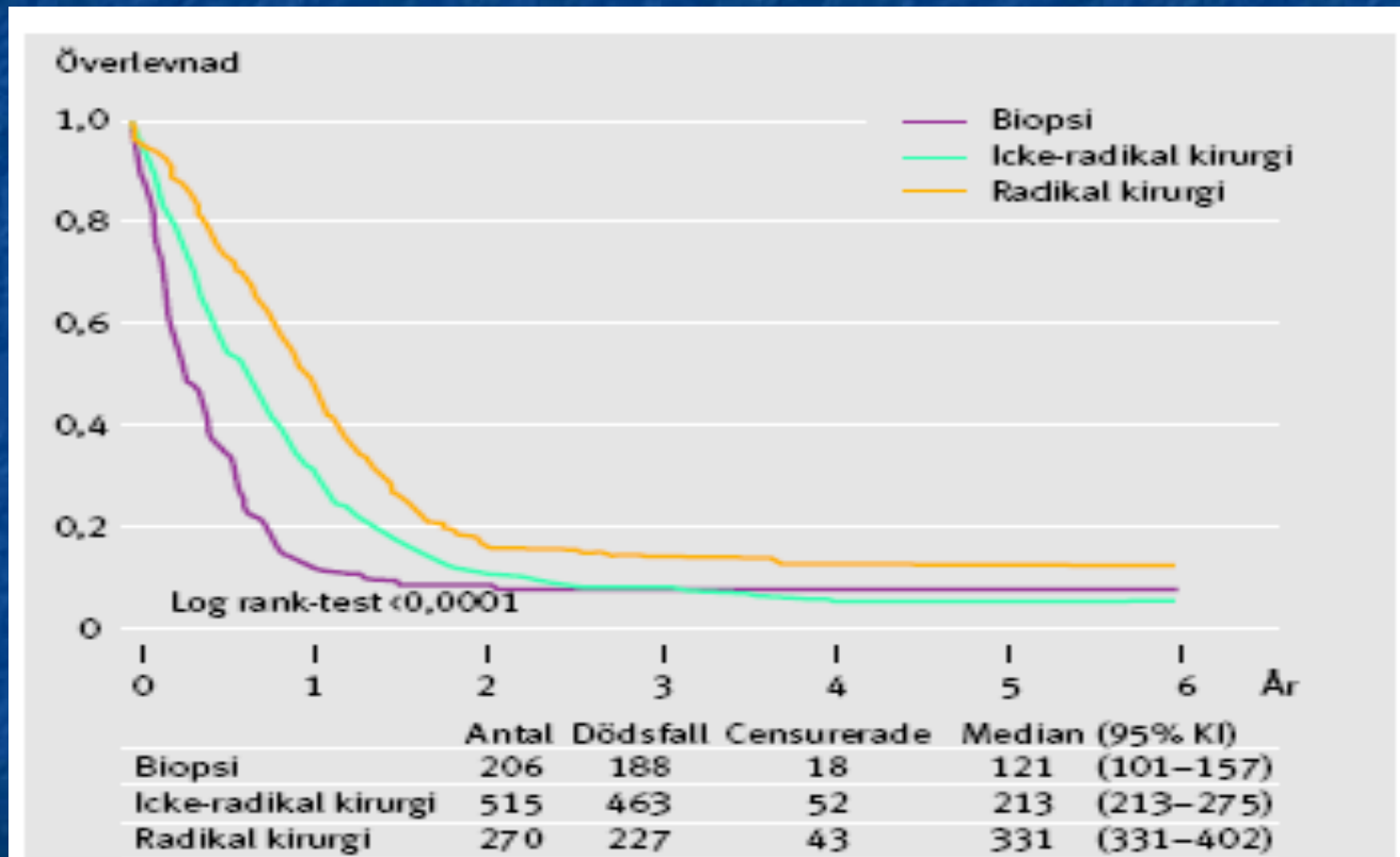


# Femårsöverlevnad i procent

- Högmaligna astrocytom 4
- Lågmaligna astrocytom 43
- Oligodendrogliom 47
- Meningiom 80
- Neurinom 90

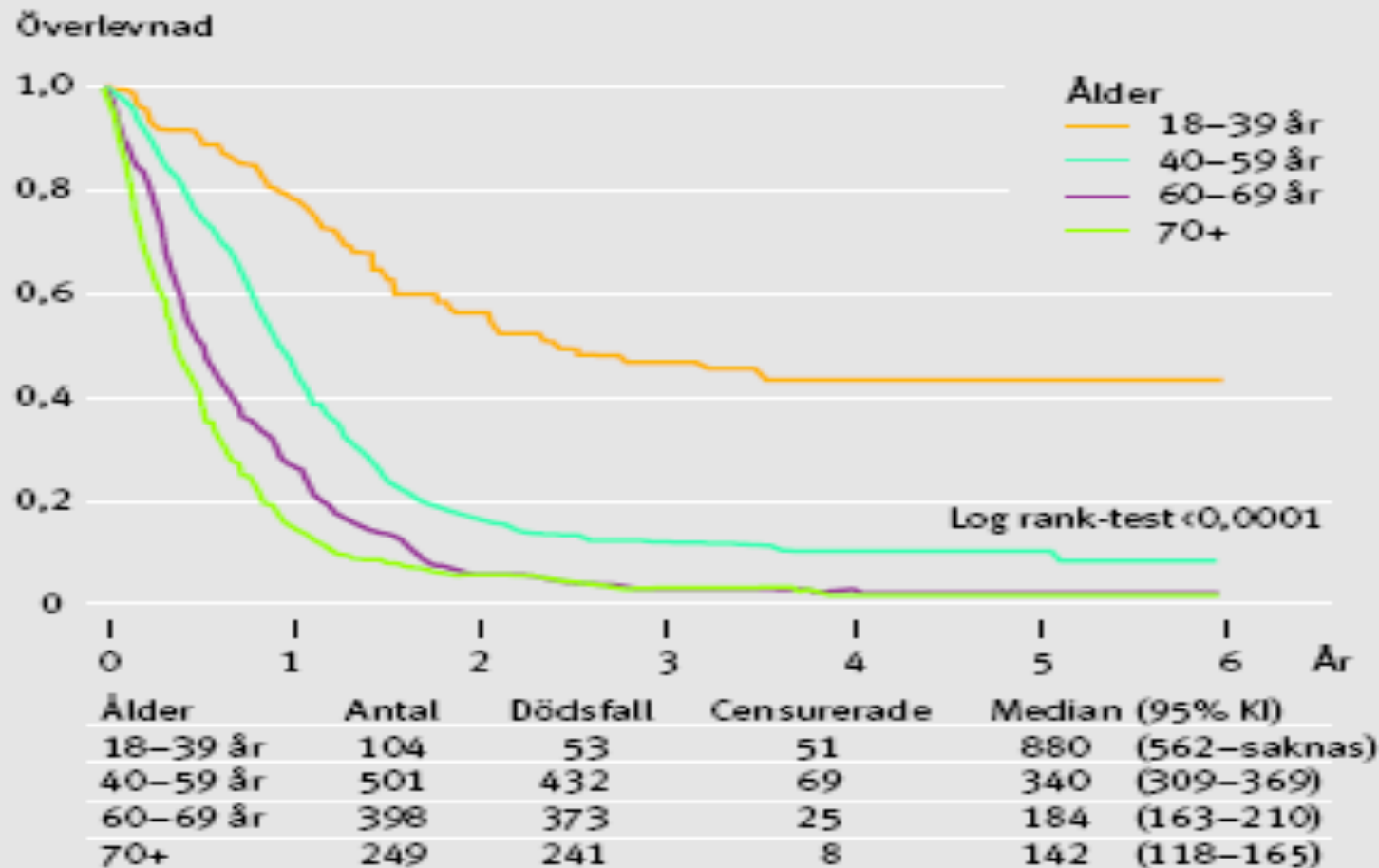


# Survival after type of surgery in glioma patients



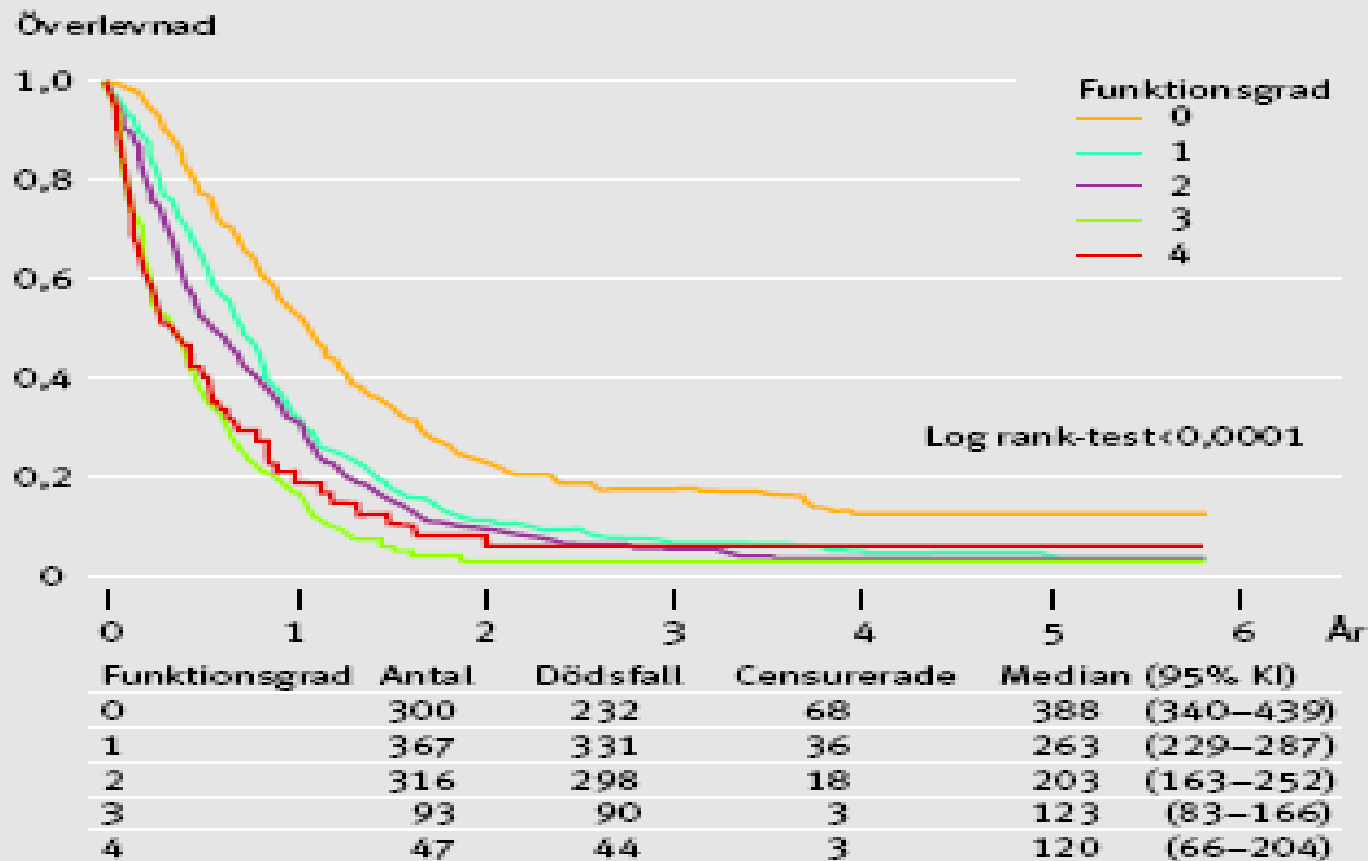
Figur 5. Överlevnad för alla patienter med högmaligna gliom, uppdelade i typ av kirurgi.

# Survival of patients with highly malignant gliomas related to age



Figur 8. Överlevnad för alla patienter med högmaligna gliom, uppdelade i åldersgrupper.

# Survival of patients with highly malignant gliomas related to initial performance



Figur 9. Överlevnad för alla patienter med högmaligna gliom uppdelade efter funktionsgrad enligt WHO.

# Kirurgi vid fall av hjärntumör

- Makroskopiskt radikal resektion
- Partiell resektion
- Biopsi

# Högmaligna gliom

## Glioblastom ("gamla sanningar"):

- ❑ Alla behandlingar är palliativa
- ❑ Strålbehandling postop. kan ge förlängd överlevnad
- ❑ Medelöverlevnad 9 – 12 månader (Op + SB)
- ❑ Färre än 10 % överlever längre än 2 år
- ❑ "Nyhet": Temozolomid samtidigt med SB kan förstärka strålbehandlingseffekten hos vissa patienter

# Vård och omvårdnad

”Hela familjens sjukdom”

Vård hemma så länge det är praktiskt möjligt  
Bevara livskvalitet - en ständig utmaning!

Resurser: Kurator, psykosocialt team,  
biståndshandläggare, distriktssköterska,  
personlig assistent, sjukgymnast,  
sjukhuskyrkan, palliativt team, hospice



# Behandlingsmodaliteter

Kirurgi

Strålbehandling

Kemoterapi

Nuklearmedicin

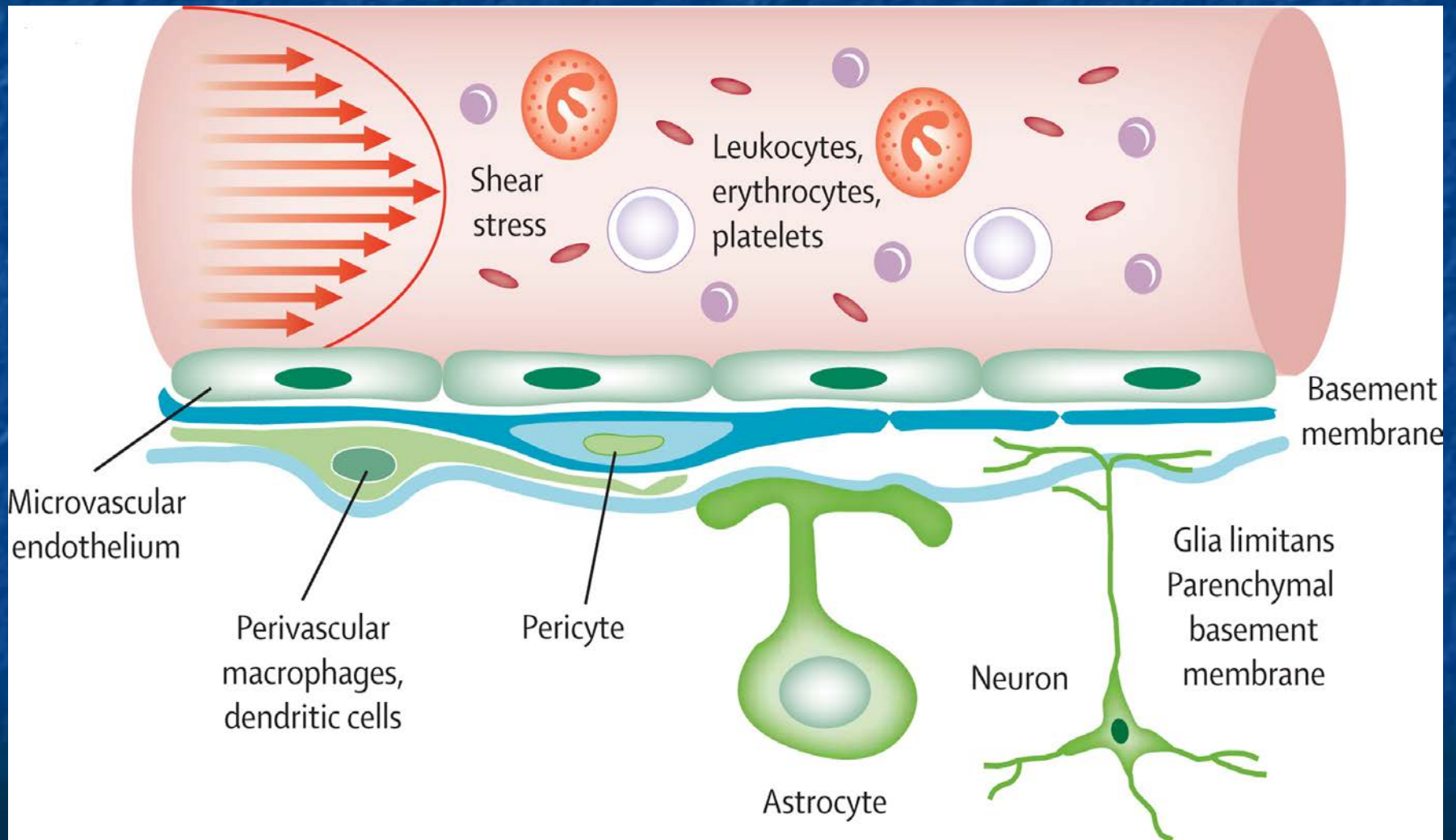
Signaltransduktionshämmare

# Blod-hjärn-barriären ("BBB")

Blod-hjärnbarriären reglerar transport av näring, metaboliter och läkemedel till och från hjärnan. Den utgörs av endotelcellerna i hjärnans små blodkärl, kapillärerna. Trots att de bara utgör 0.1 % av hjärnans vikt är de i en människa 644 km långa med en yta på 20 m<sup>2</sup>. Mellan endotelcellerna finns så kallade tight junctions som gör att alla läkemedel som ska passera in till eller ut ur hjärnan måste passera genom cellerna.

Endast de senaste 10 – 15 åren har man vetat att det finns aktiva transportörer som fungerar som "dörrvakter" för läkemedelstransport in till hjärnan.

# BBB (Lancet Neurology)



# Dagens teman

1. Neuroonkologi
2. Omhändertagande på Onkologikliniken
3. Epidemiologi
4. Något om patofysiologi
5. Diagnostik och behandling

# Neuroonkologi

## Ronder

Hypofys

CNS-tumör

Kärl ("Vaskrond")

Vårdprogram – Nationellt och regionalt

## RCC

Hjärntumör

Hypofys

# Chemotherapy 1

Mode of utilisation:

Curative

Palliative

# Chemotherapy 2

Mode of administration:

Neo-adjuvant

Concomitant

Adjuvant

# Andra strålbehandlingsmodaliteter

- BNCT – borneutroninfångningsterapi
- Högenergetiska neutroner
- Stereotaktisk behandling med LINAC eller ”Larsson - Leksells gammakniv”
- Nuklearmedicinsk terapi

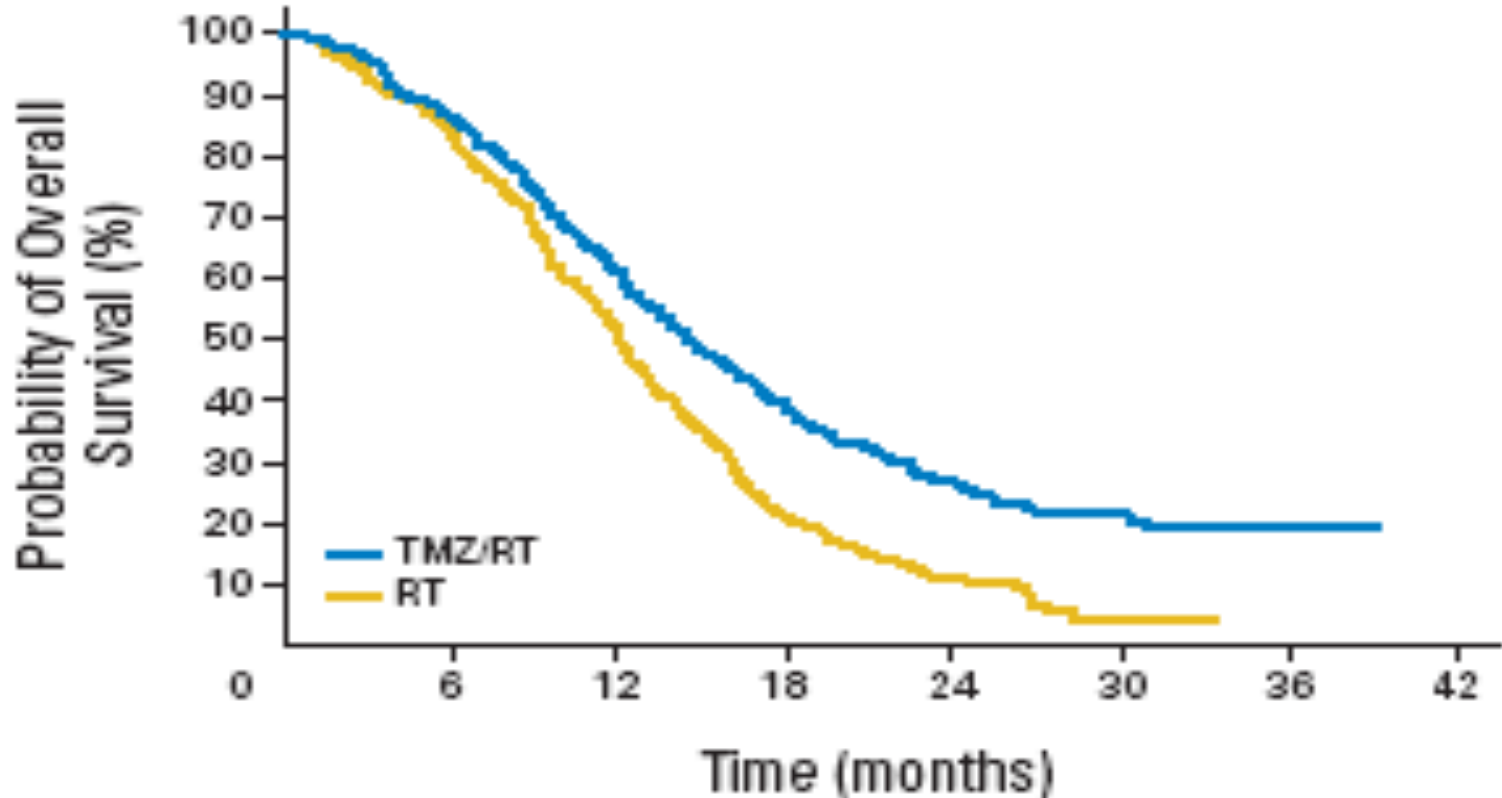


# Chemotherapy 3

## Mode of administration:

- A. Neo-adjuvant: Temozolomide in trials
- B. Concomitant: Temozolomide 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> daily during radiotherapy
- C. Adjuvant: Temozolomide in 6 courses 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup> daily for 5 days and 23 days of a free interval

# Survival according to Stupp



	<u>O</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>No. of patients at risk</u>					
RT	261	286	240	144	59	23	2	0
TMZ/RT	219	287	246	174	109	57	27	4

# Stupp et al. in NEJM, 2005

## Methods

Patients with newly diagnosed, histologically confirmed glioblastoma were randomly assigned to receive radiotherapy alone (fractionated focal irradiation in daily fractions of 2 Gy given 5 days per week for 6 weeks, for a total of 60 Gy) or radiotherapy plus continuous daily temozolomide (75 mg per square meter of body-surface area per day, 7 days per week from the first to the last day of radiotherapy), followed by six cycles of adjuvant temozolomide (150 to 200 mg per square meter for 5 days during each 28-day cycle). The primary end point was overall survival.

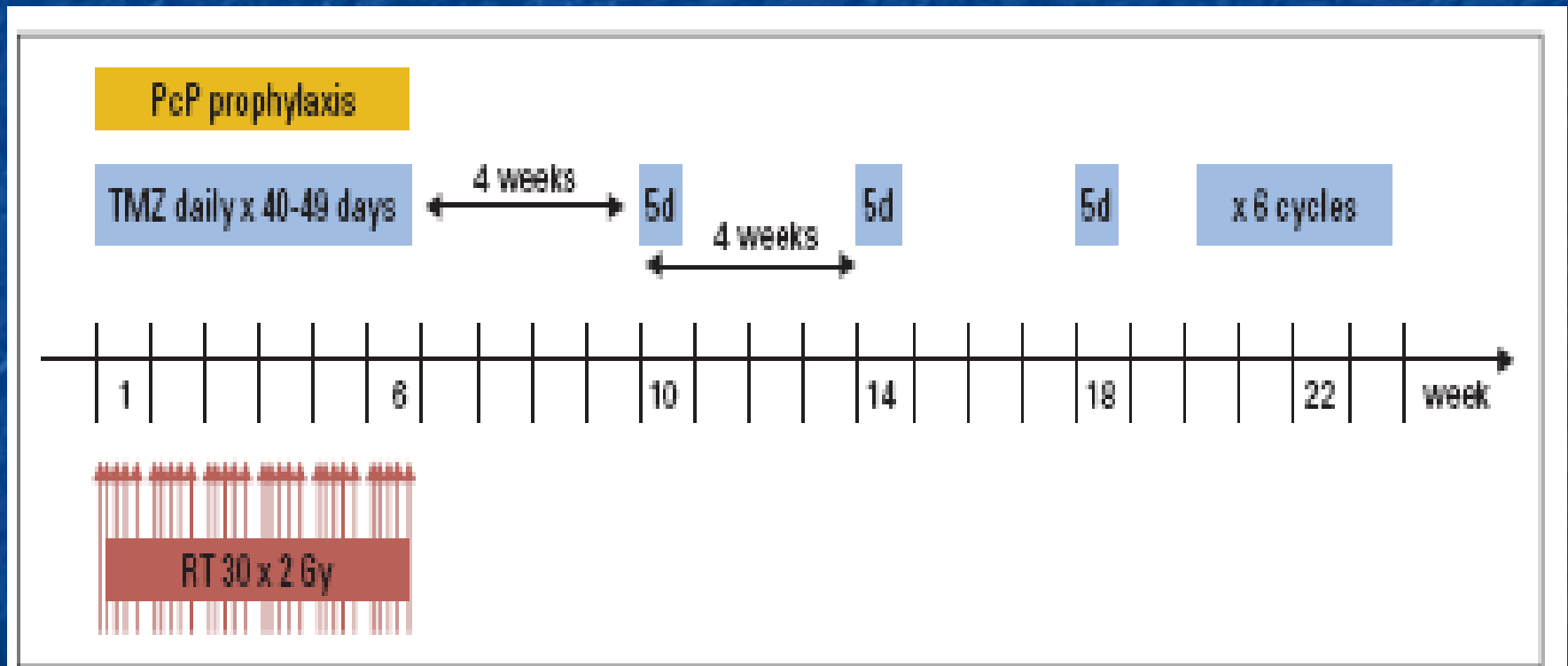
## Results

A total of 573 patients from 85 centers underwent randomization. The median age was 56 years, and 84 percent of patients had undergone debulking surgery. At a median follow-up of 28 months, the median survival was 14.6 months with radiotherapy plus temozolomide and 12.1 months with radiotherapy alone. The two-year survival rate was 26.5 percent with radiotherapy plus temozolomide and 10.4 percent with radiotherapy alone. Concomitant treatment with radiotherapy plus temozolomide resulted in grade 3 or 4 hematologic toxic effects in 7 percent of patients.

## Conclusions

The addition of temozolomide to radiotherapy for newly diagnosed glioblastoma resulted in a clinically meaningful and statistically significant survival benefit with minimal additional toxicity.

# Temozolomide - administration according to Stupp



# Temozolomide: Overall Safety

- Dose-limiting toxicity is myelotoxicity:
  - Thrombo- and leukocytopenia
  - Grade 3/4 events: 10%
- Most commonly reported adverse events:
  - Nausea/vomiting, constipation, fatigue and headache

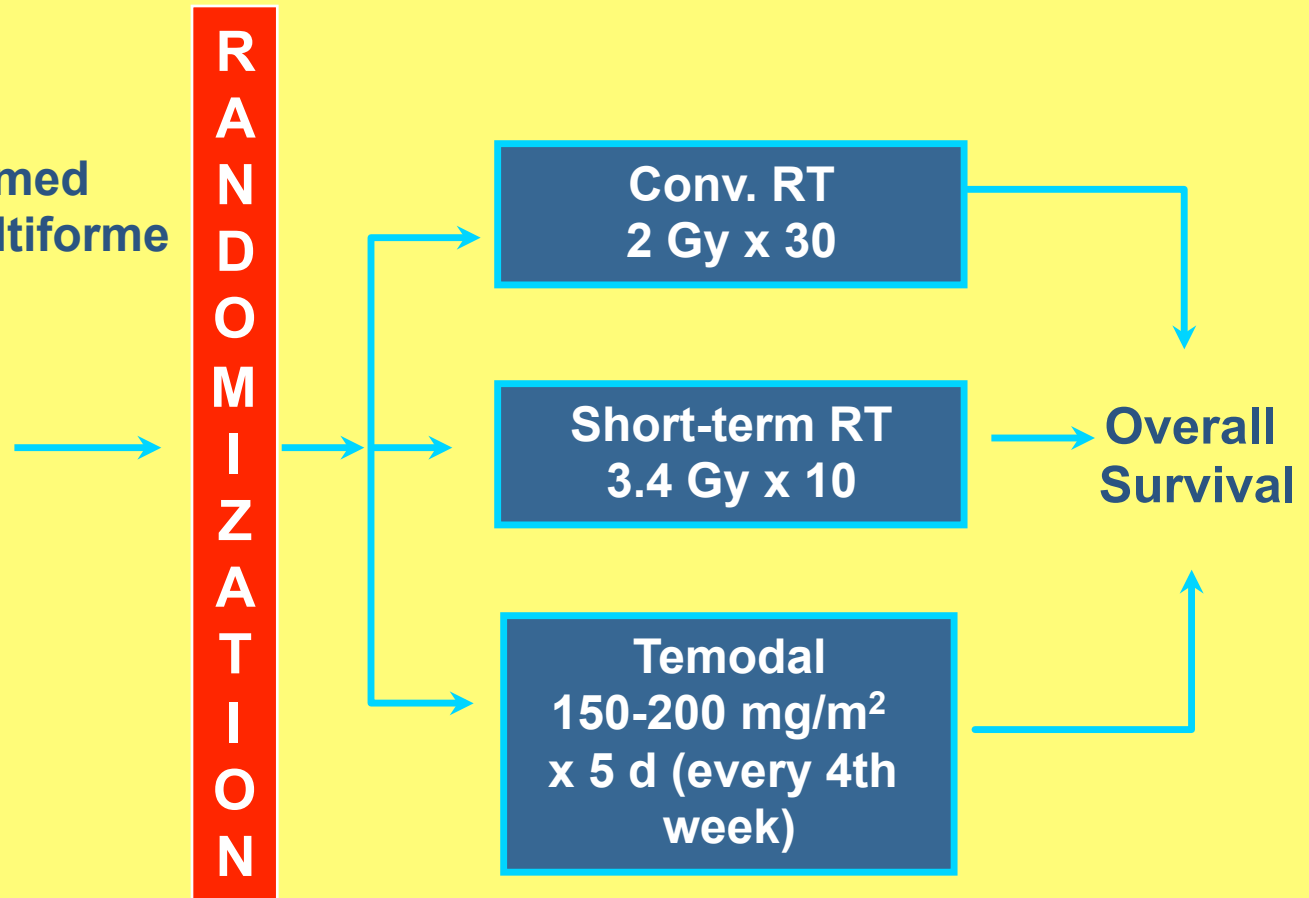
# Tolerability

- Adverse events: myelosuppression (grade 3/4); GI episodes are mild and infrequent
- Discontinuation due to toxicity: 3%
- No CNS toxicity
- Compliance to treatment
  - Interval between cycles >32 days: 13% of cycles
  - Reduced dose: 14
  - Increased dose (200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>): 4 patients

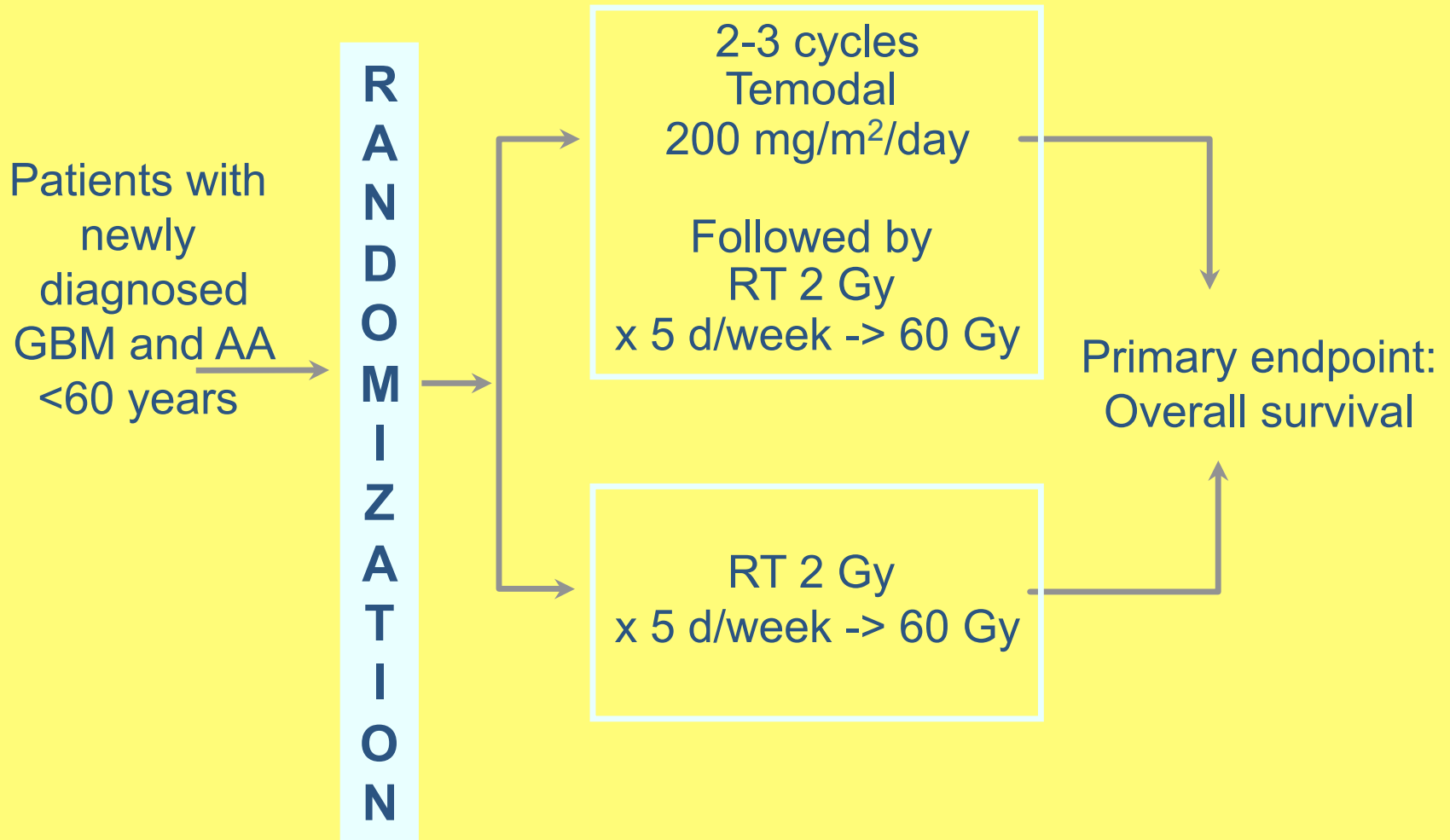
# Newly diagnosed GBM in an elderly population

*NCBTSG (n=480)*

- ▲ Histologic confirmed glioblastoma multiforme
- ▲ > 60 yrs
- ▲ WHO 0-2



# Neoadjuvant study





# Chemotherapy 4

## Palliation

First line:

Temozolomide: 150 - 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
x 5 days and 23 days of a free  
interval

# Chemotherapy 5

Is there a role for second-line chemotherapy in palliation of patients with malignant glioma?

# Chemotherapy 6

If so, consider the following alternatives:

1. PCV - courses (procarbazine, CCNU, vincristine)
2. Gleevec + Hydroxurea (Clinical trial just finished)
3. Temozolomide given daily 75 - 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> ("low dose") during 21 out of 28 days and repeated

# Chemotherapy 7

PCV - courses (procarbazine, CCNU, vincristine) seems to be most effective in an adjuvant setting after radiotherapy in patients with anaplastic oligodendroglioma.

Initially promising data in palliative treatment of patients with glioblastoma seems difficult to verify.

However, in a few patients, a surprisingly growth inhibiting effect may occur.

# Arterio-Venous Malformations

## Treatment alternatives:

- Surgery
- Embolisation
- Radiotherapy

Proton beam, gammaknife, linear accelerator with a stereotactic equipment

# Treatment of glioma patients

Where is nuclear medicine?

In diagnostics?

In treatment?

# Glioma patients - Where is nuclear medicine?

- Diagnosis
  - a. Location of primary tumor and possible spread in the CNS
  - b. Improved analysis of the properties of the tumor cells and the surrounding normal tissue
  
- Treatment
  - Adding to externally given irradiation dose on selected tumor cells

# Cancer stam celler

1. CSC:s finns i leukemier och solida tumörer t.ex gliom
2. CSC:s står för mindre än 1 % av tumörcellerna
3. CSC:s och normala stamceller har flera gemensamma cellytemarkörer.
4. CSC:s kan ha störd funktion i signaltransduktion
5. CSC:s och normala stamceller har höga nivåer av ”drug efflux transporters”
6. Angreppspunkter vid behandling: Särskilda ytmarkörer signaltransduktionsproteiner, apoptosmekanismer



# Cancer stem cells

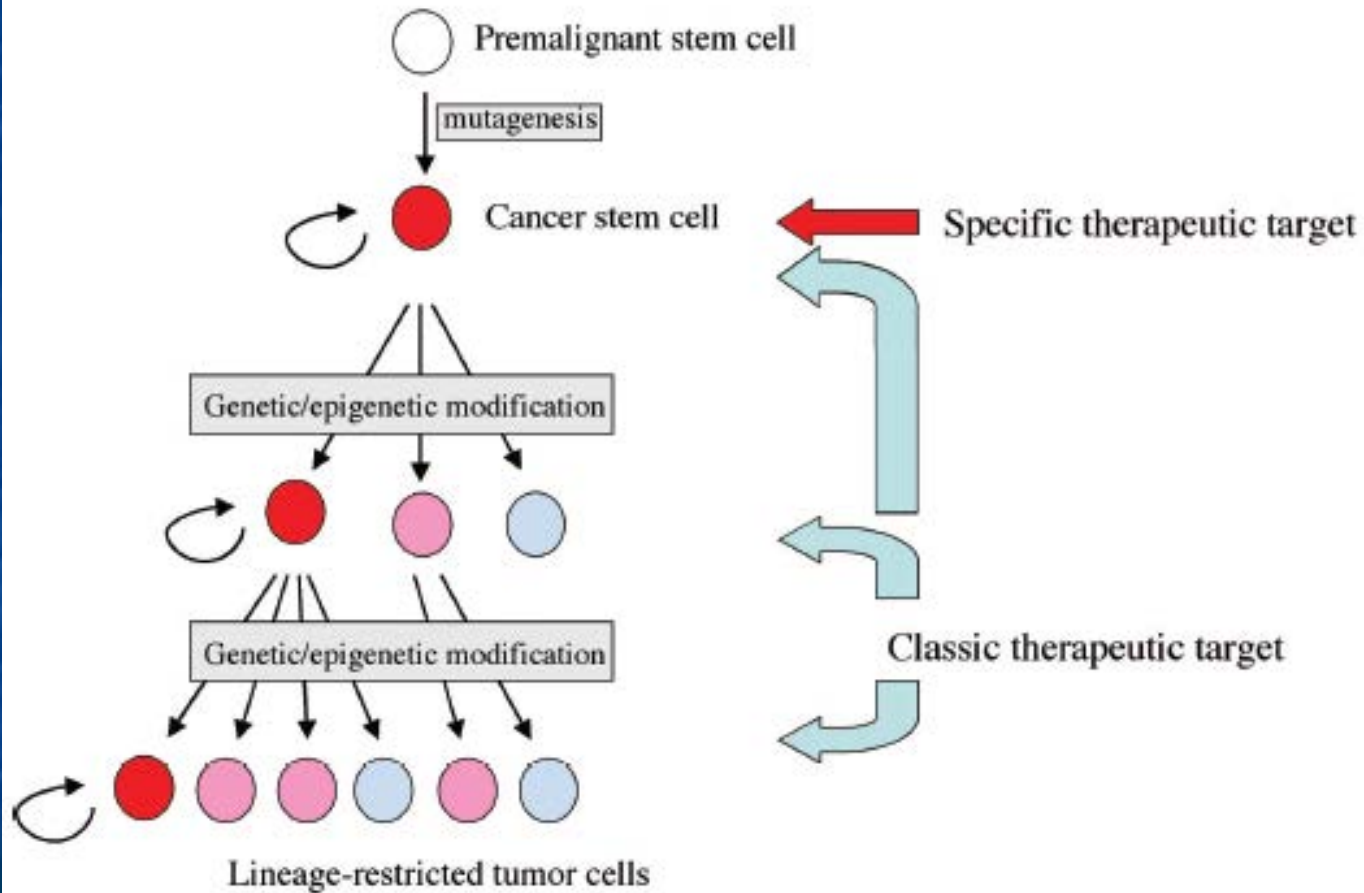


Figure 2. Clinical implication for cancer stem cell theory.

# Epigenetics

**Epigenetics** is a term in biology used today to refer to features such as chromatin and DNA modifications that are stable over rounds of cell division but do not involve changes in the underlying DNA sequence of the organism.<sup>[1]</sup> These epigenetic changes play a role in the process of cellular differentiation, allowing cells to stably maintain different characteristics despite containing the same genomic material.

# Maligna gliom

## ”Egna forskningsprojekt”

1. MR och MRS av hjärnan
2. Intraventrikulära inj. av EGF-affibody
3. Fortsatt p+-terapi av strålmål i hjärnan
4. Genomic microarrays /Teresita Diaz de Ståhl/Jan Dumanski
5. Uppföljning av behandlade patienter
6. Nationella behandlingsprotokoll

And now to something completely different!

- **Arterio-Venous Malformations (AVM)**

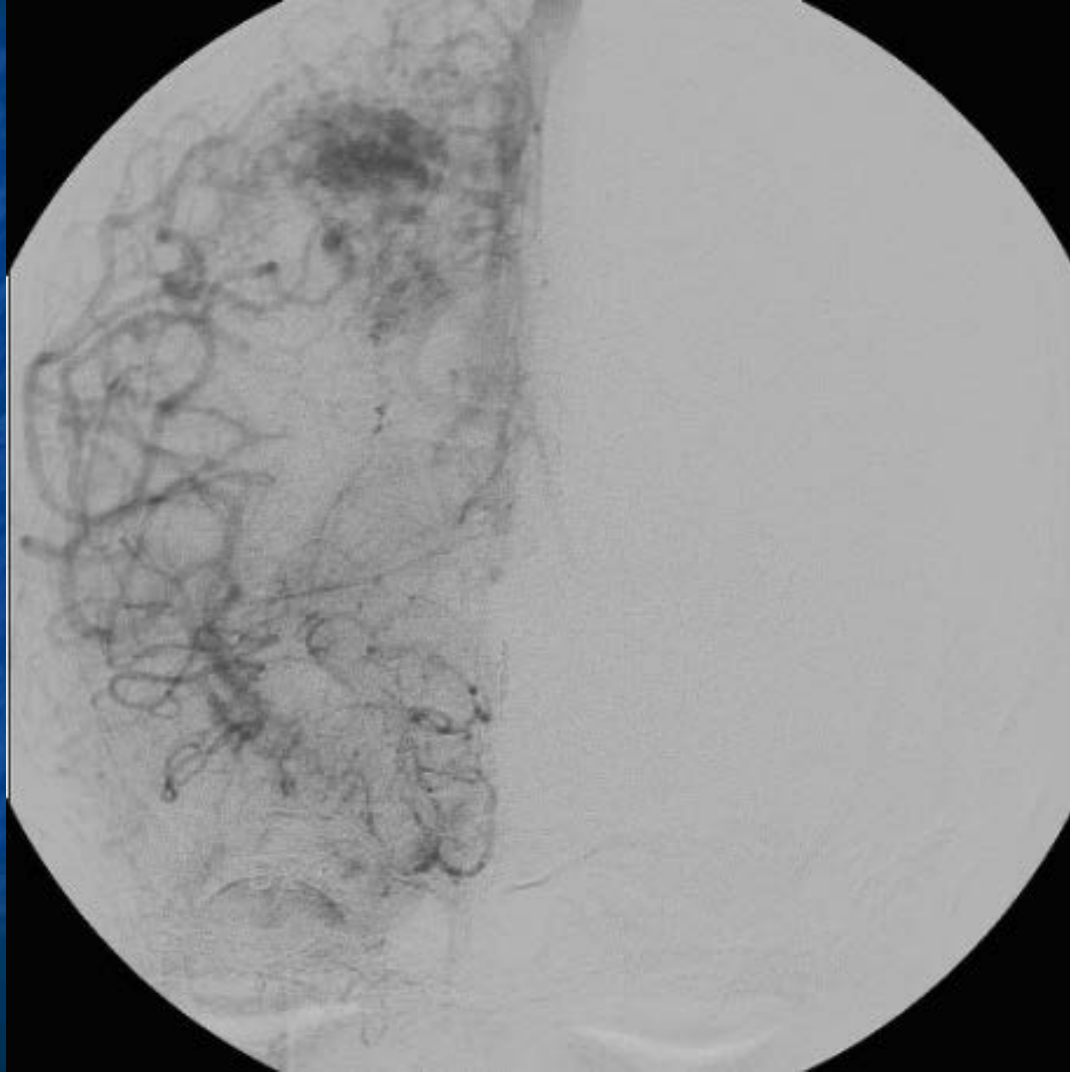
# AVM before proton beam therapy side view



# AVM after proton beam therapy side view



# AVM before proton beam therapy frontal view

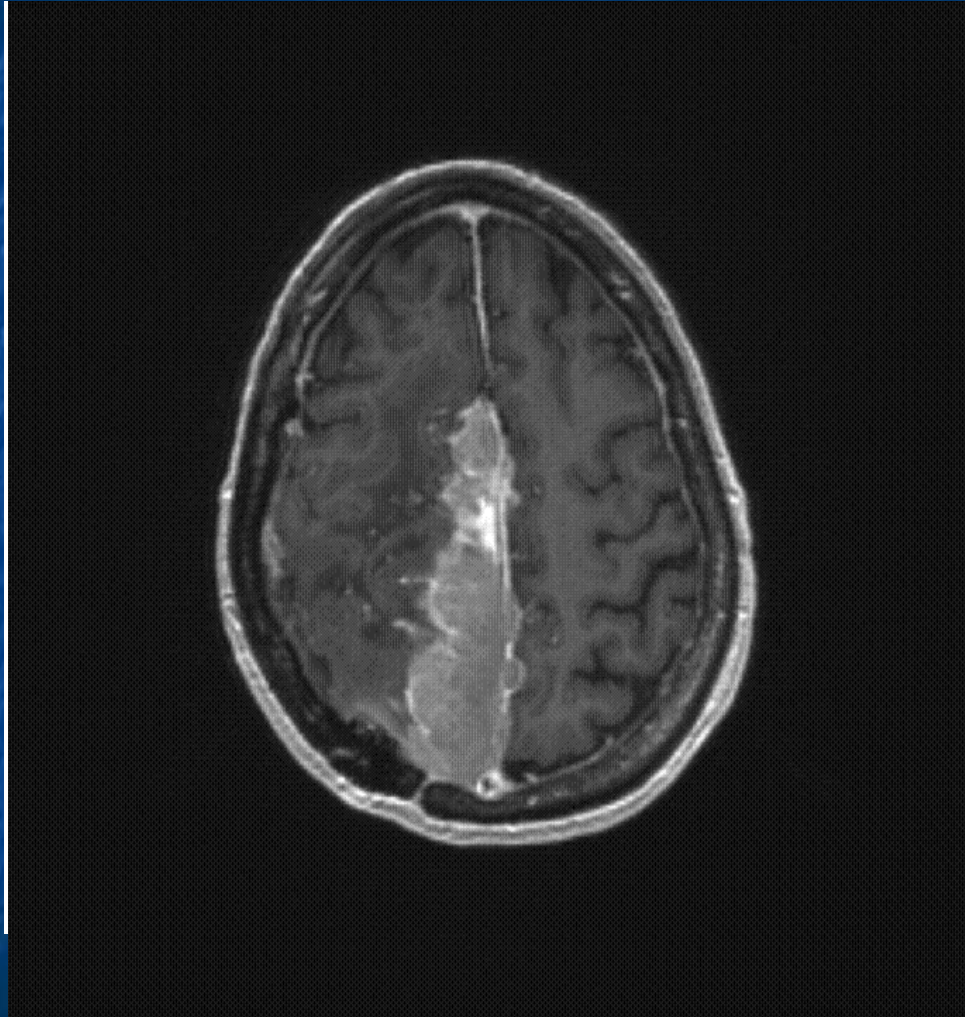


# AVM after proton beam therapy frontal view

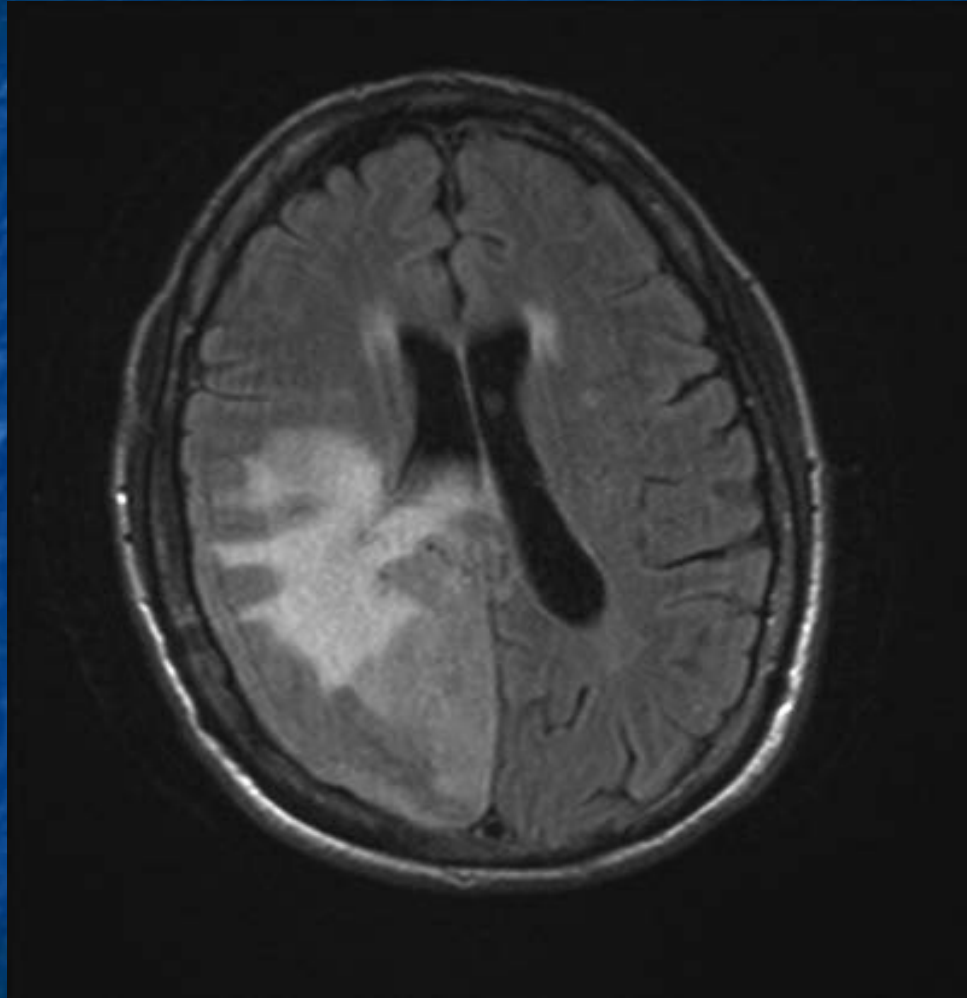




# Meningioma



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# Glioma invasion

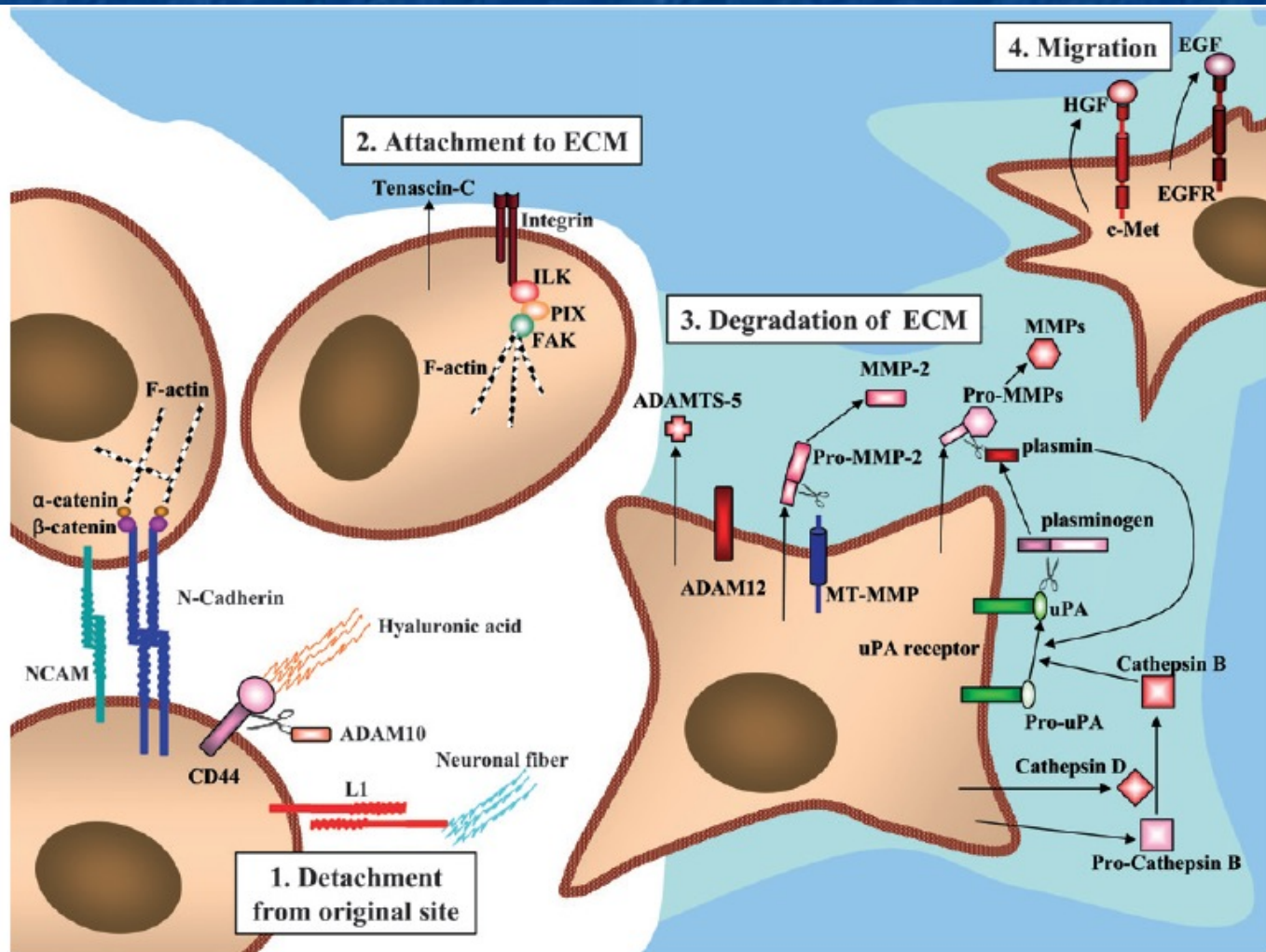
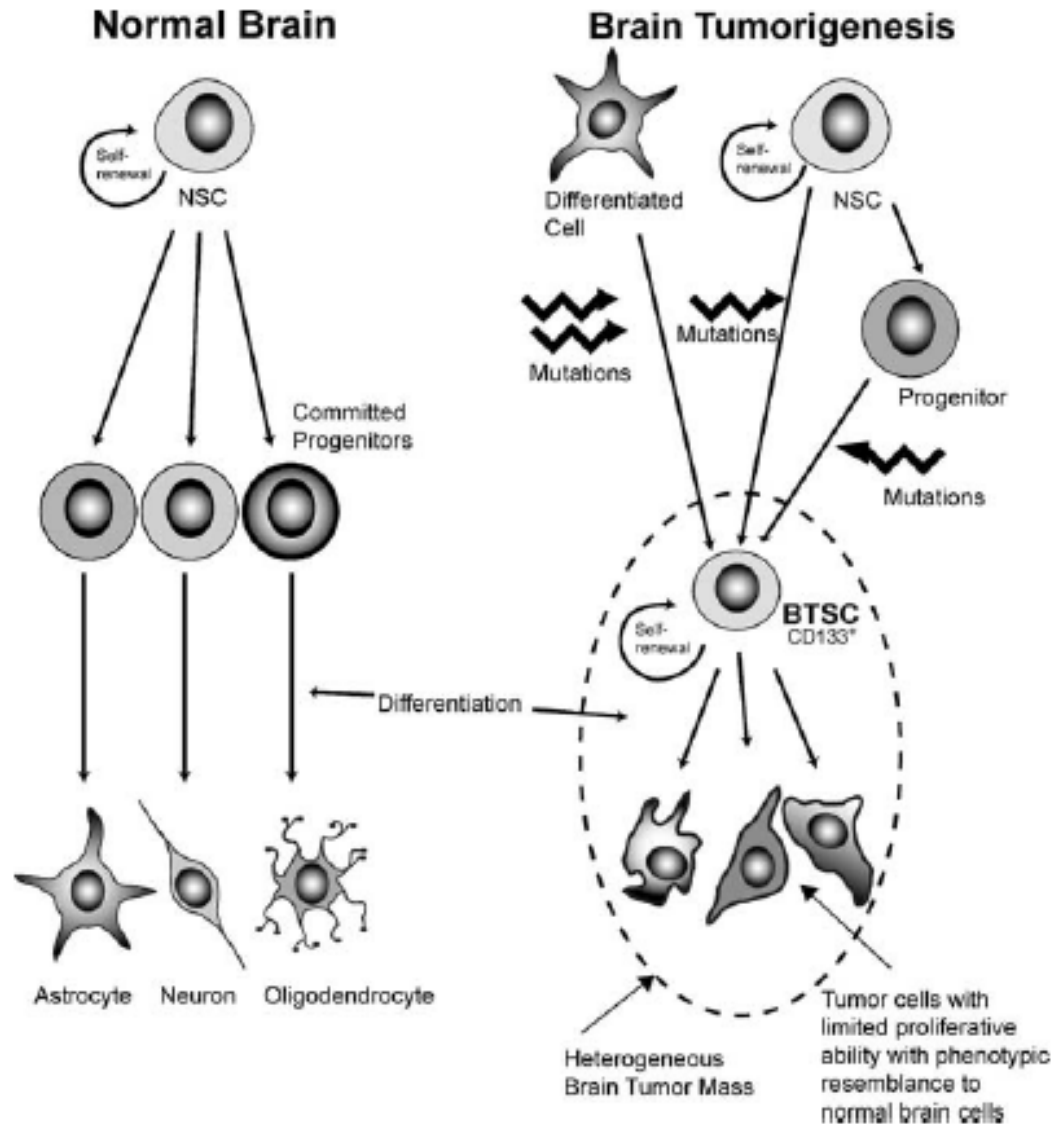


Figure 3. Putative mechanism of glioma invasion

# Glioma stem cells

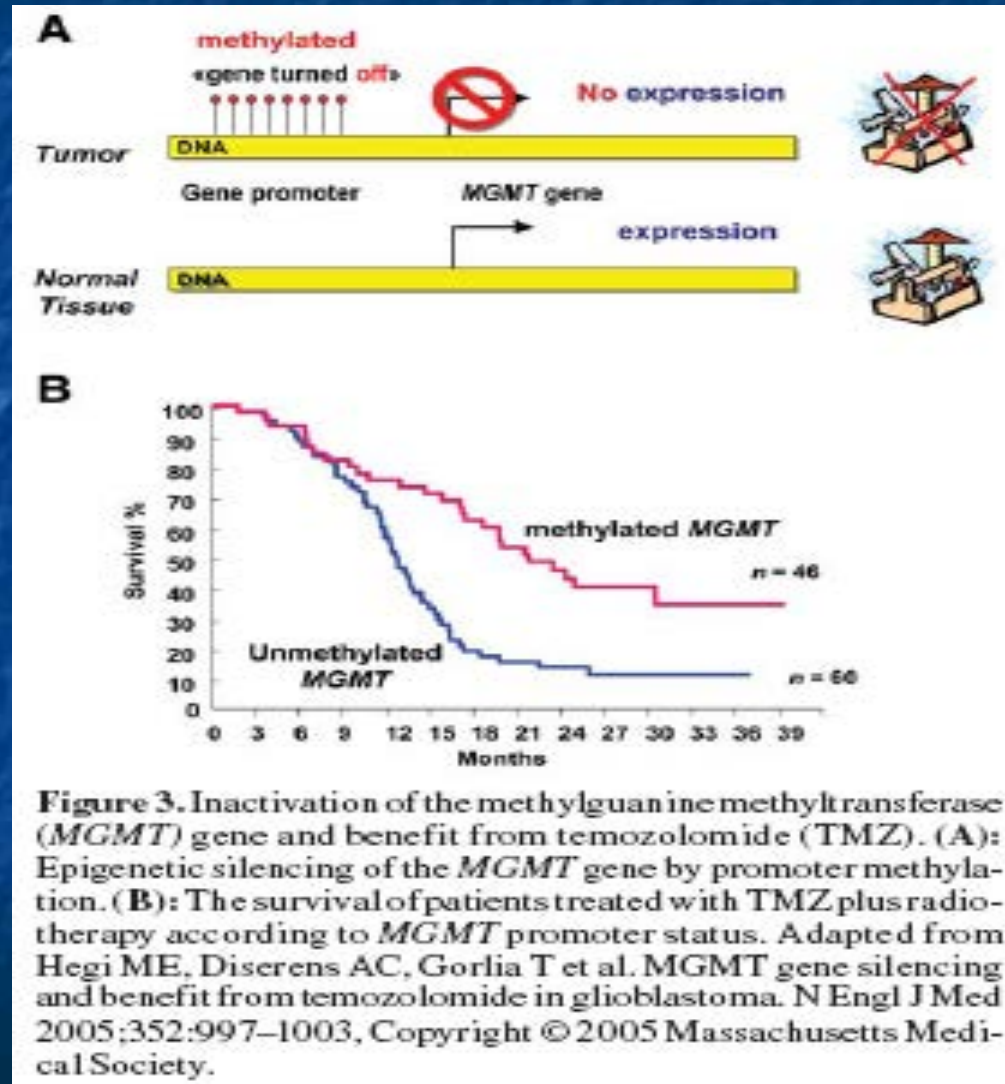


# Radiotherapy of glioblastomas

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# MGMT promoter status and survival after radiotherapy



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# Three interesting publications

Trog et al. in *Amino Acids*, 2006: Non-sufficient cell cycle control as possible clue for the resistance of human malignant glioma cells to clinically relevant treatment conditions.

Bao et al. in *Nature* vol. 444, s. 756 – 760, dec 2006: Glioma stem cells promote radioresistance by preferential reaction of DNA damage response.

Pan et al. in *Future Oncol* vol. 2(6), s. 723 -731, 2006: Implications of cancer stem cells in the treatment of cancer.

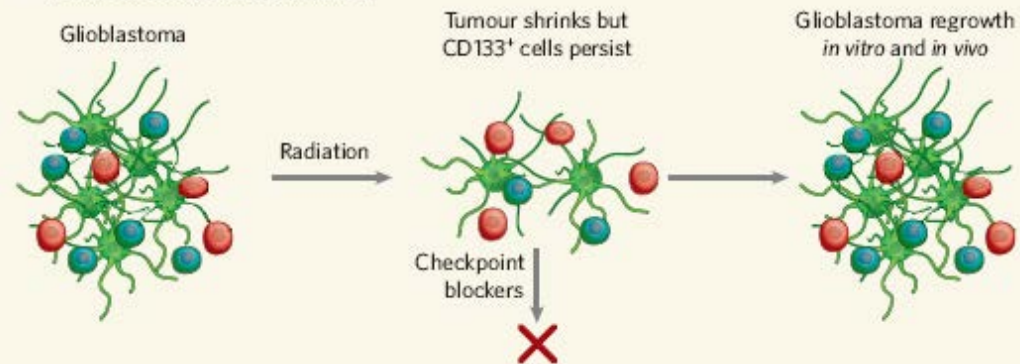


# Questions for the future

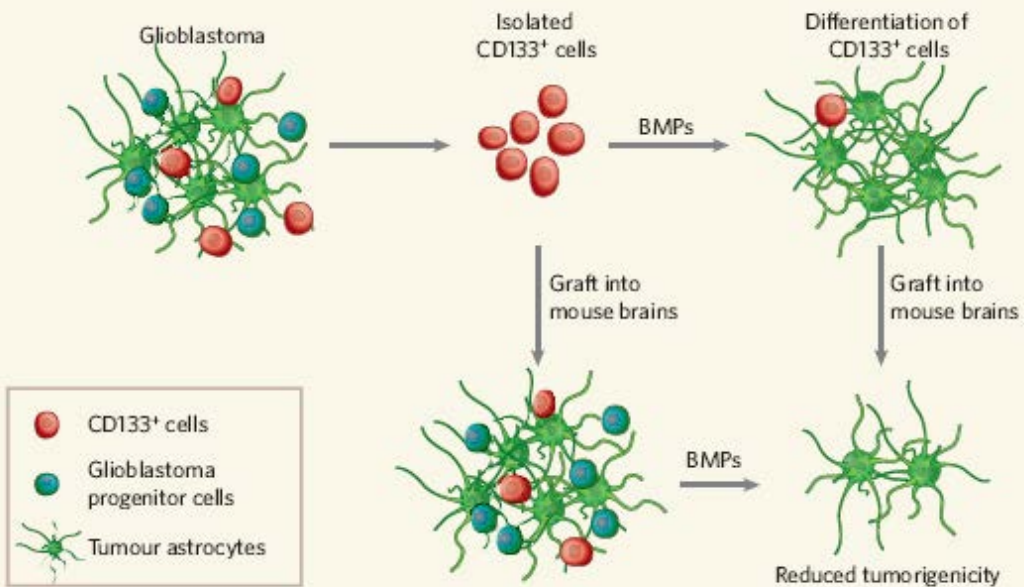
- Do all brain tumors contain cancer stem cells?
- What are the differences and similarities between cancer stem cells from different tumors?
- Does malignant progression of low grade to high grade gliomas directly involve brain tumor stem cells?
- Is CD-133 the best marker for the prospective isolation of cancerstem cells?
- Can we attack brain tumor stem cells without attacking normal neural stem cells?
- Would this matter?
- These questions and many others highlight the early state of this fieldand the great amount of work needed before putting thediscovery of cancer stem cells to productive use.

# Glioma stem cells

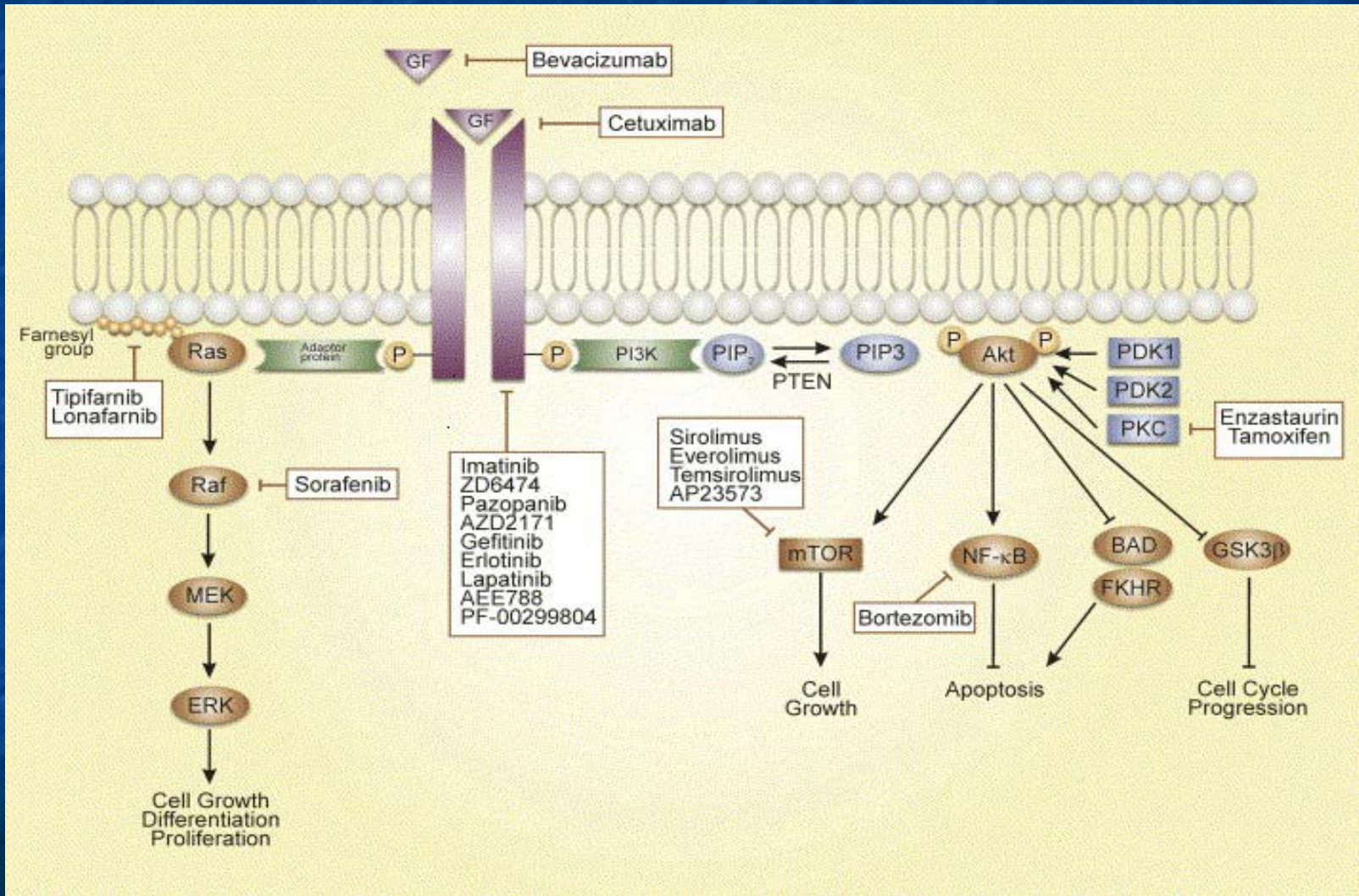
## a Treatment with ionizing radiation



## b Treatment with BMPs



# Treatment approach in gliomas



# BBB

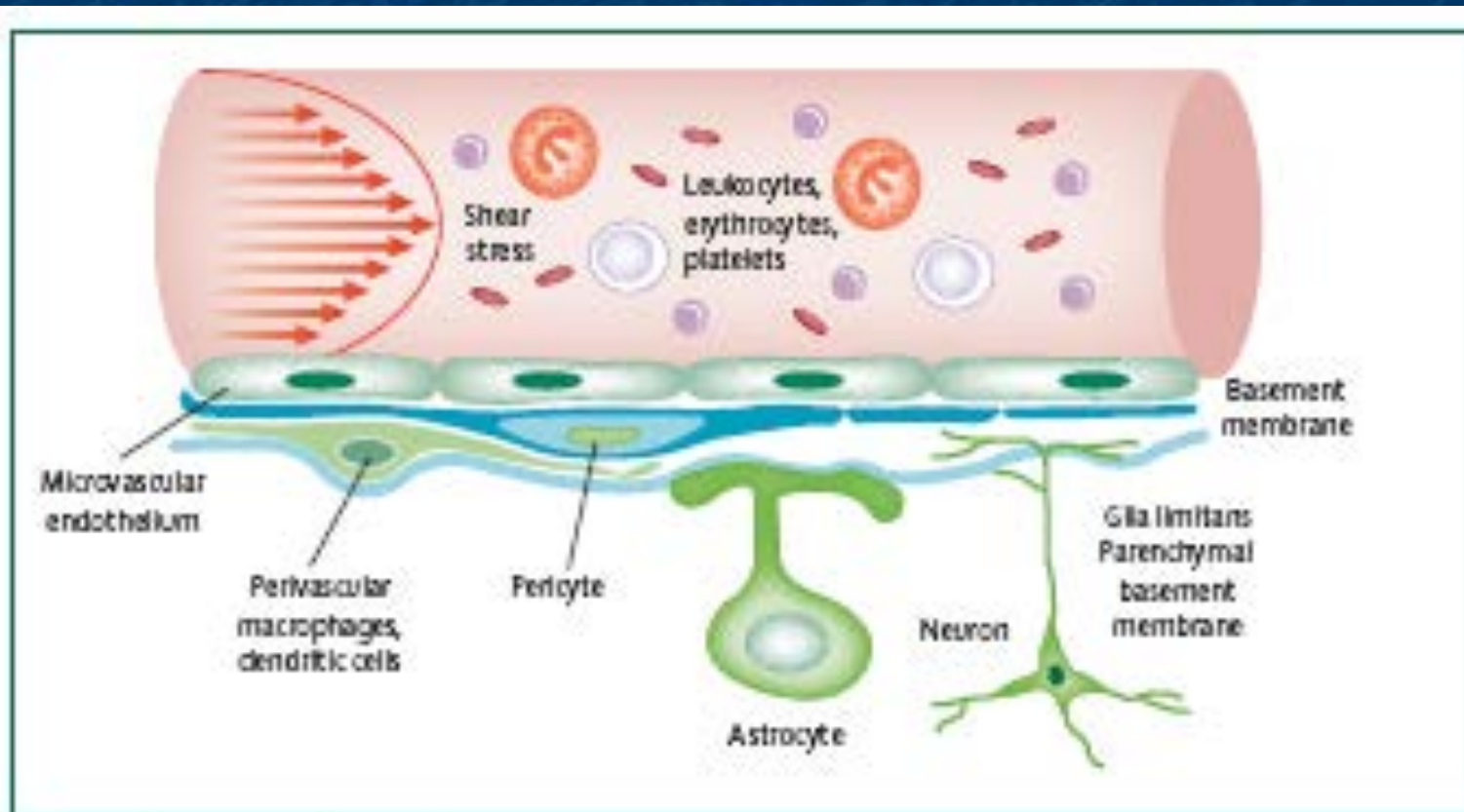


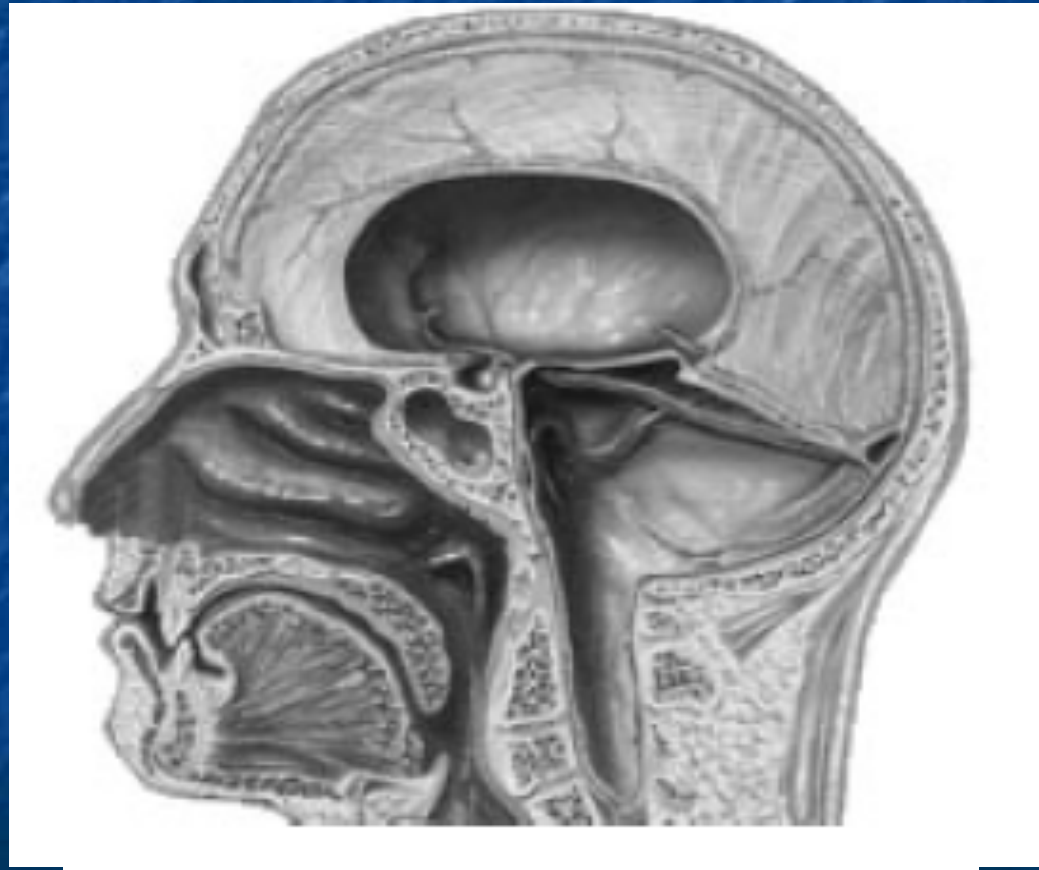
Figure 1: The neurovascular unit (NVU)

The NVU is a complex cellular system that includes circulating blood components, highly specialised endothelial cells, a high concentration of pericytes embedded in the endothelial cell basement membrane, perivascular antigen-presenting cells, astrocytic endfeet, and associated parenchymal basement membrane and neurons. Although the endothelial cells form the BBB, the continuous communication between the brain endothelium and the other cellular elements of the NVU are prerequisites for barrier function.

# En föreläsning på svengelska

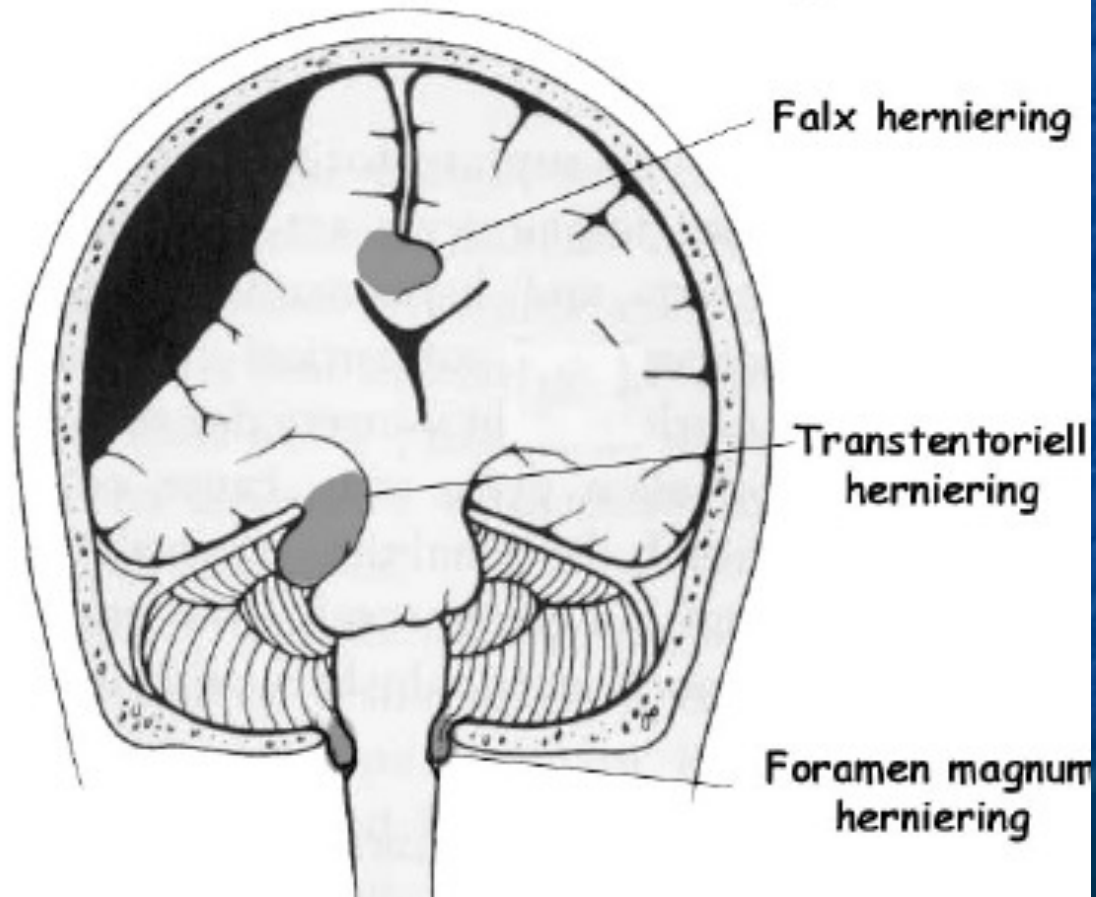
Inget för purister

The brain is located in a enclosed volume



# Herniation

## Herniering - inklämning

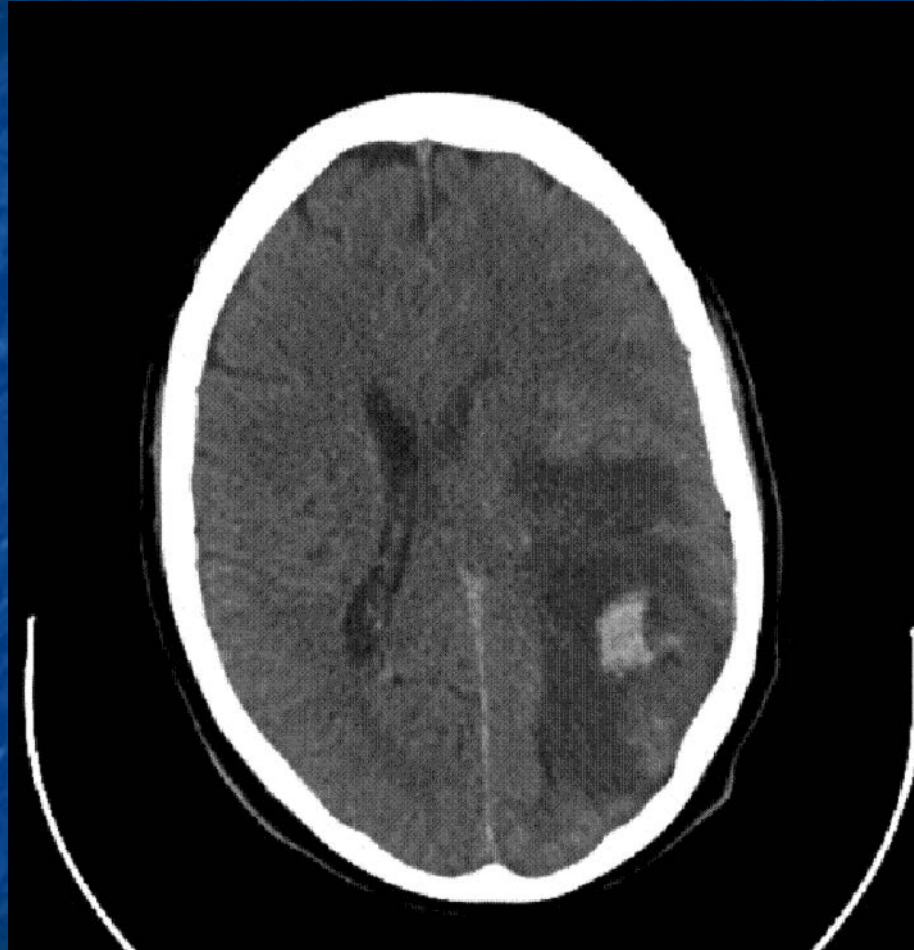


# En bild säger mer än tusen ord?

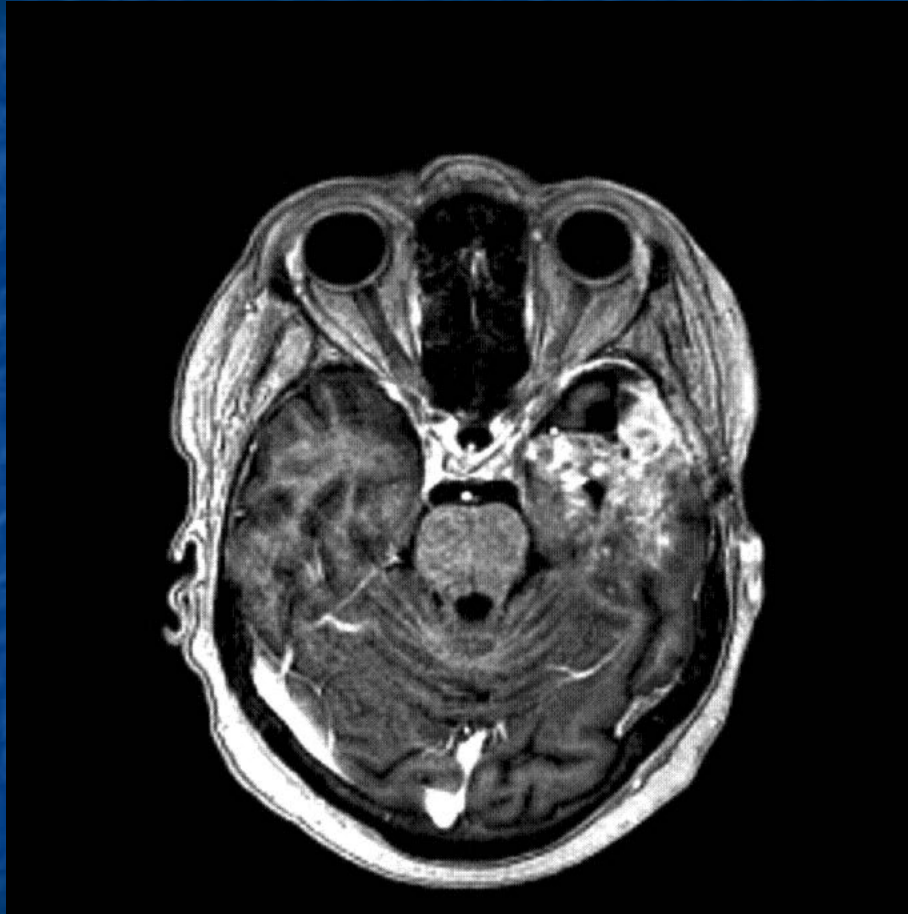
- CT
- MRT - MRS
- PET
- Angiografi
- Ultraljudsledd navigation



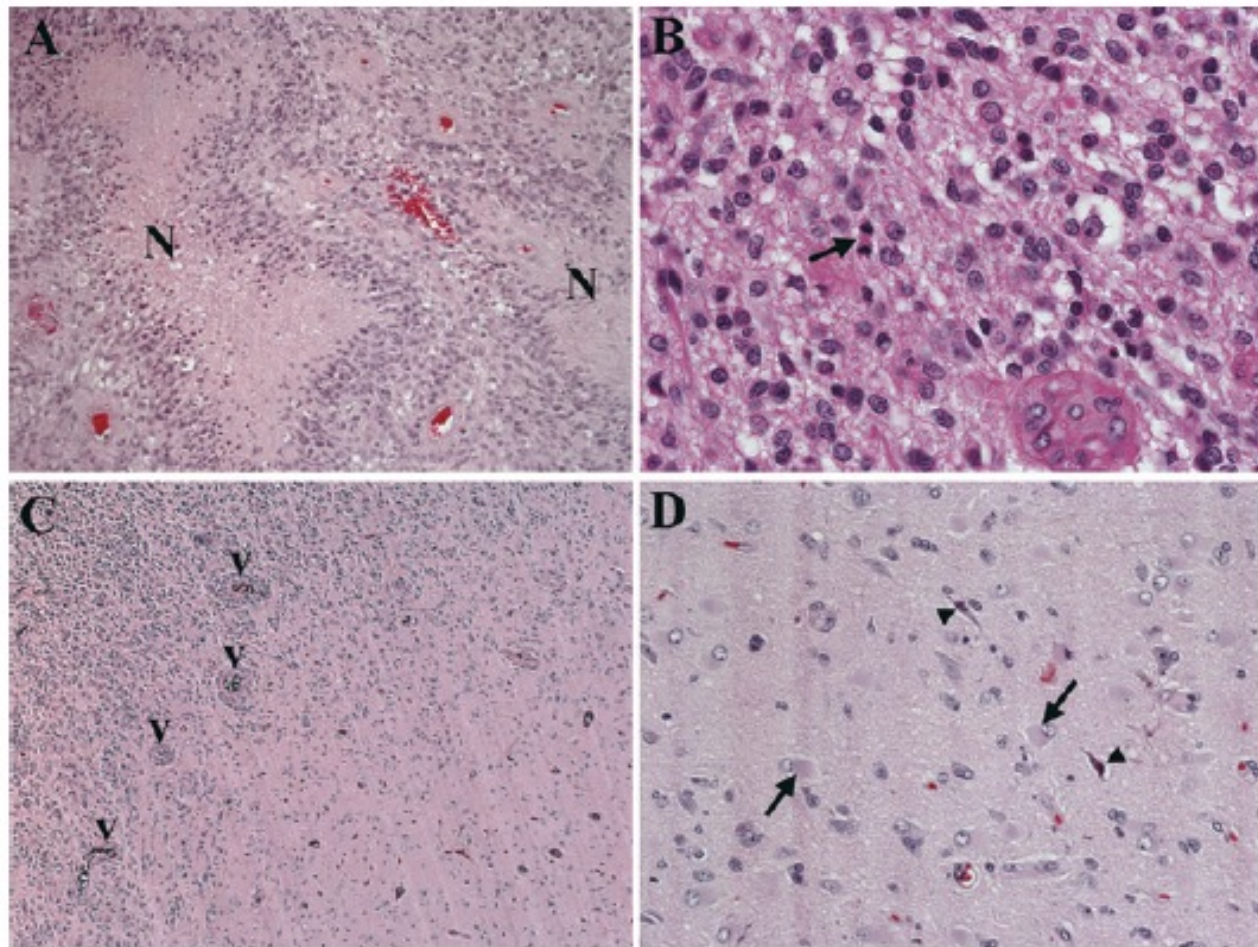
# Glioblastoma



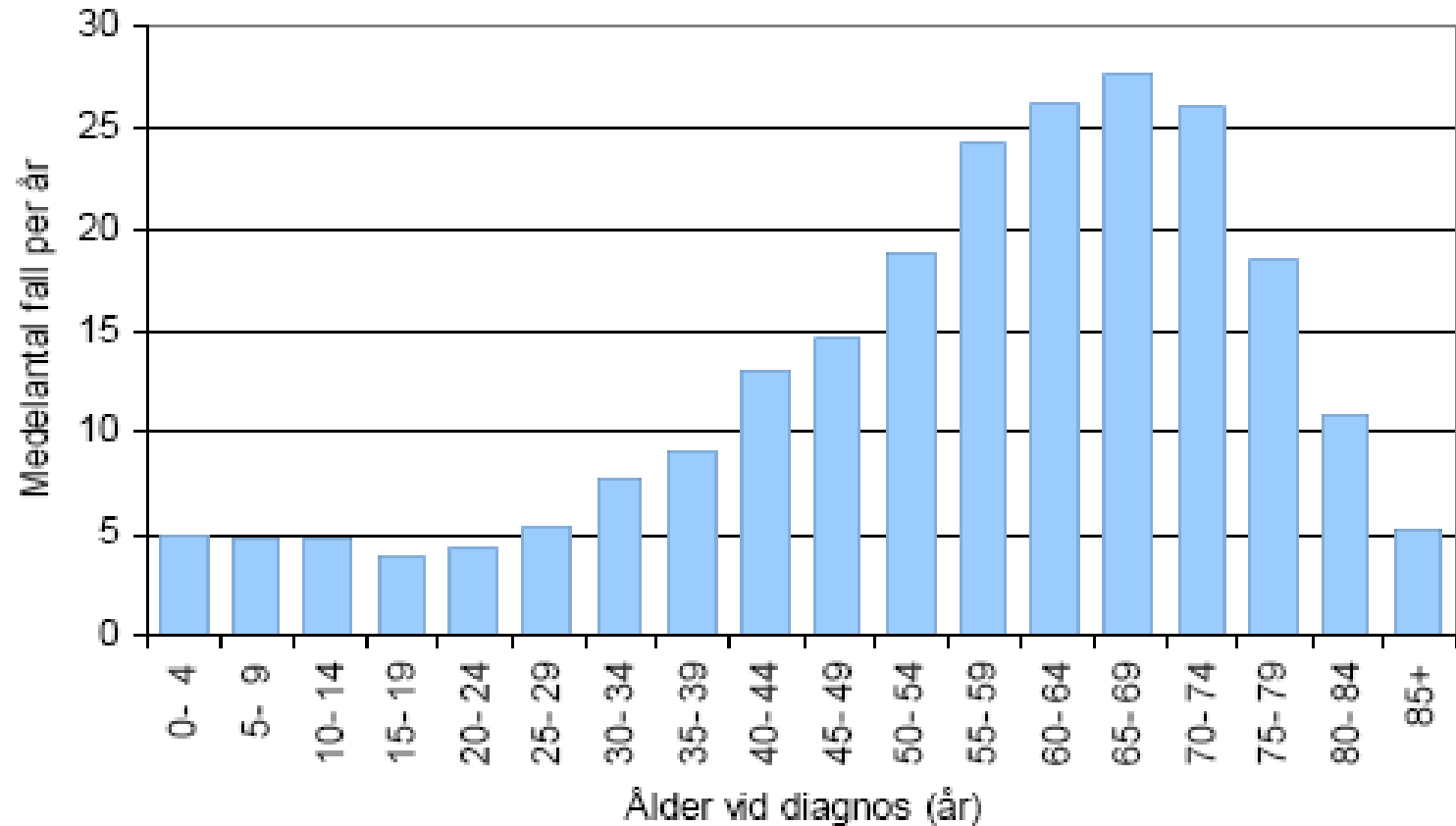
# Glioblastoma



# Glioblastoma histopathology



# Hjärntumörer; ålder vid diagnos





# High grade gliomas; treatment

- Radiotherapy

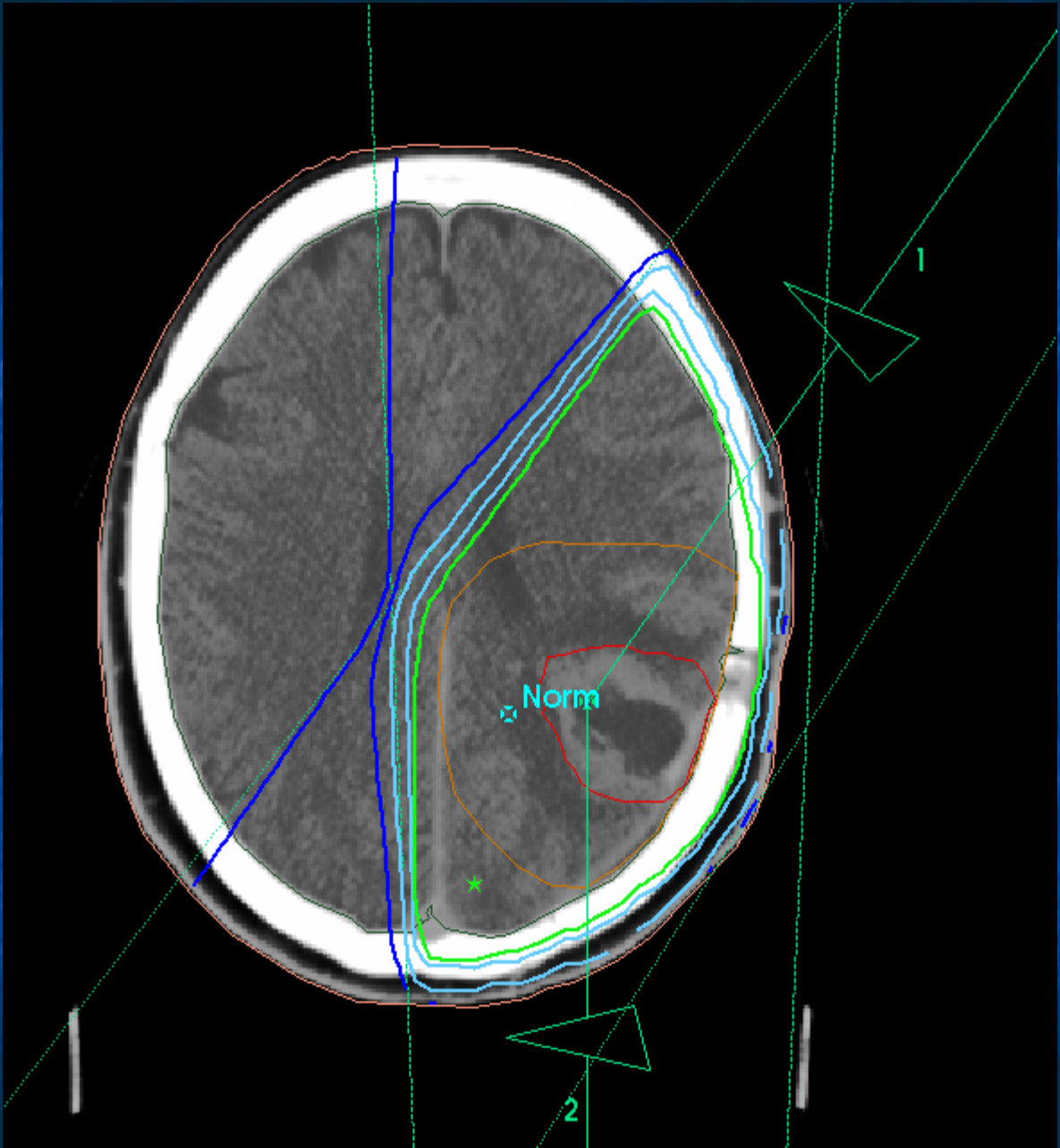
  - Fractional dose: 2 Gy

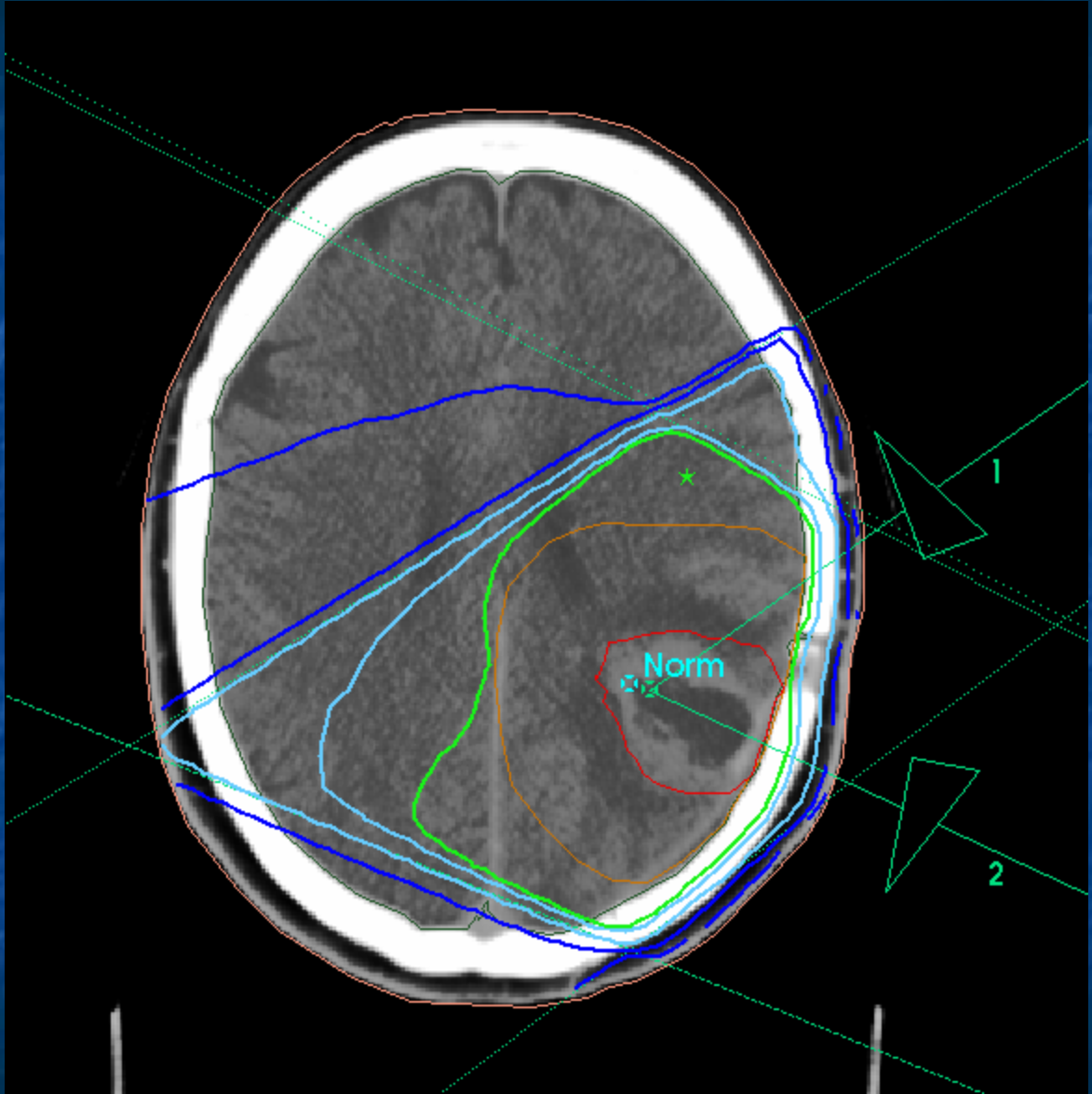
  - Weekly dose: 10 Gy

  - Total dose: 60 Gy

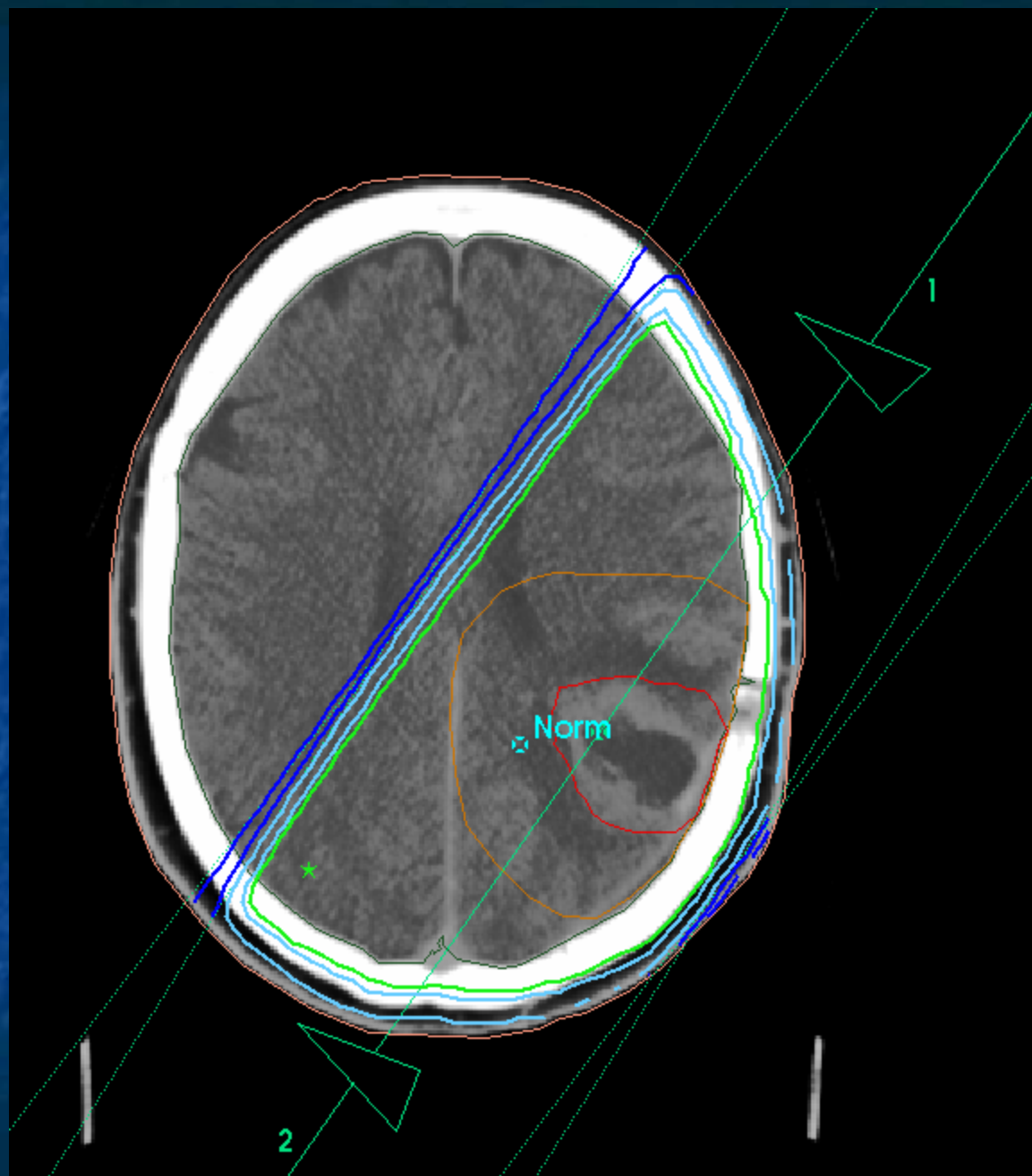
- Treatment volume : GTV + 2 – 3 cm

- Radiotherapy with concomitant temozolomide









Såå igen..... vid högmaligna gliom - strålbehandling..... Hur?

Volymen?

GTV

CTV

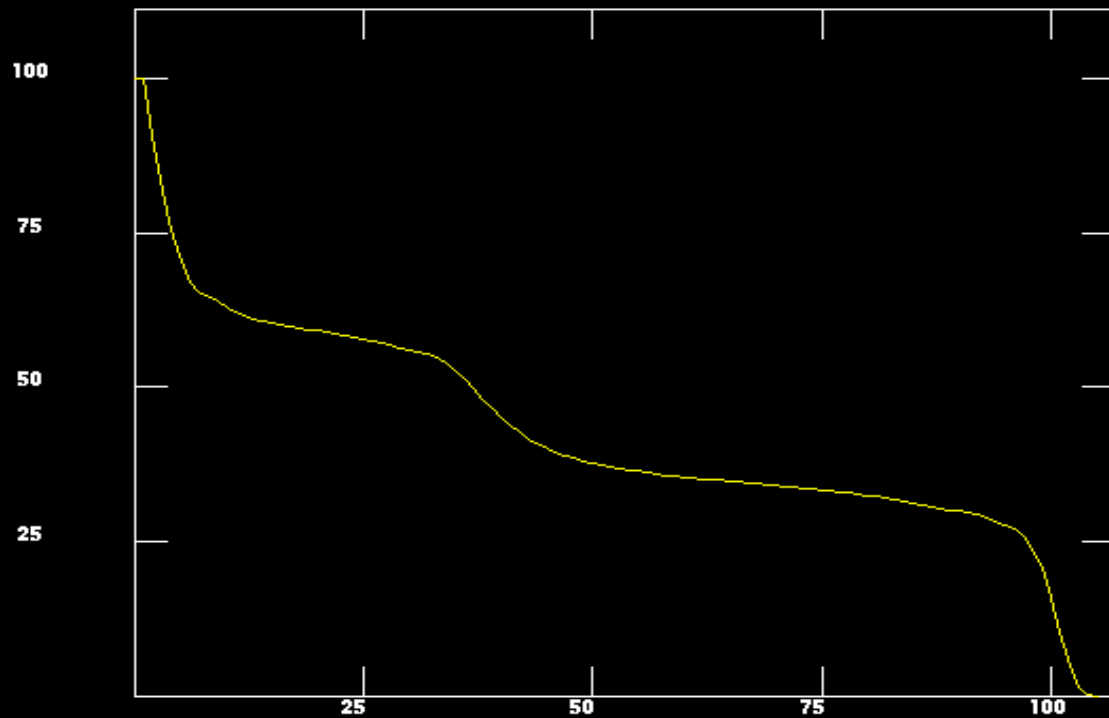
PTV

DVH-VOI id 4 hjarna

Volume (ccm): 1254.

Calc. pnts 25164 / 25953

% (Vol)



Dose level

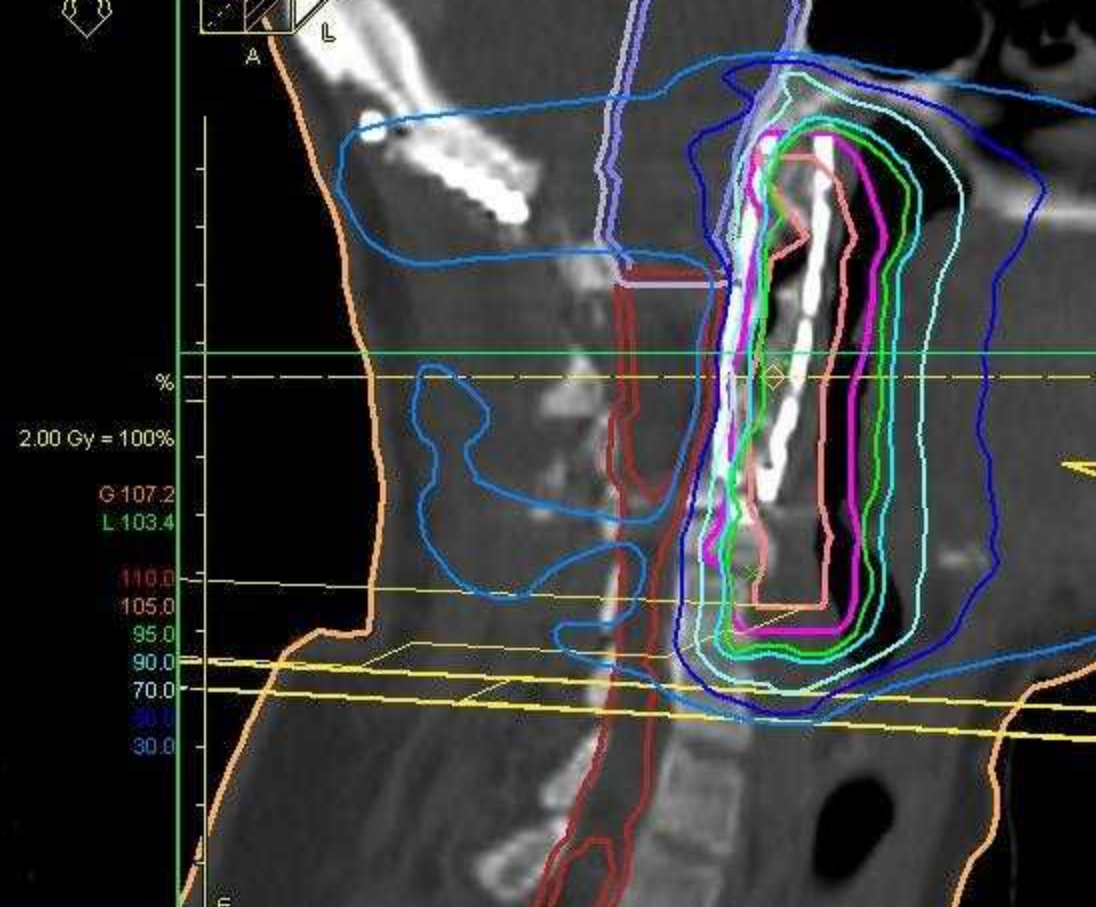
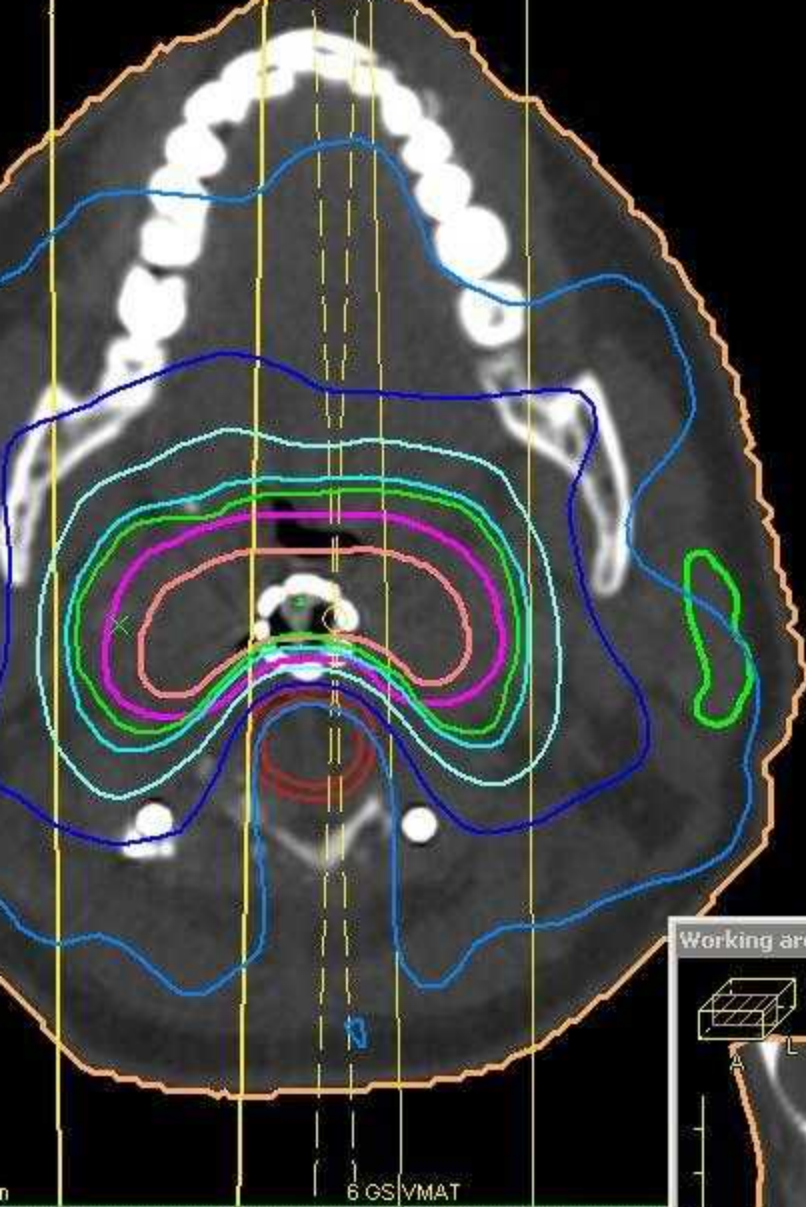
Min 1.0

Max 104.5

Median 36.9

Mean 45.1

Stand.dev 40.7



6 GS VMAT

Name	Mass Density	Min [%]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brain stem	-	2.71
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22.46 cm]