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# The phase III study INTERCEPTOR in locally advanced head and neck cancer (LA-HNC). Preliminary safety report

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# DICHIARAZIONE

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Come da nuova regolamentazione della Commissione Nazionale per la Formazione Continua del Ministero della Salute, è richiesta la trasparenza delle fonti di finanziamento e dei rapporti con soggetti portatori di interessi commerciali in campo sanitario.

- Posizione di dipendente in aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario **(NIENTE DA DICHIARARE)**
- Consulenza ad aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario **(NIENTE DA DICHIARARE )**
- Fondi per la ricerca da aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario **(NIENTE DA DICHIARARE)**
- Partecipazione ad Advisory Board **(NIENTE DA DICHIARARE))**
- Titolarità di brevetti in compartecipazione ad aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario **(NIENTE DA DICHIARARE )**
- Partecipazioni azionarie in aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario **(NIENTE DA DICHIARARE )**
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# INTERCEPTOR: CRT vs TPF → Cetuximab + RT in unresectable locally advanced SCCHN

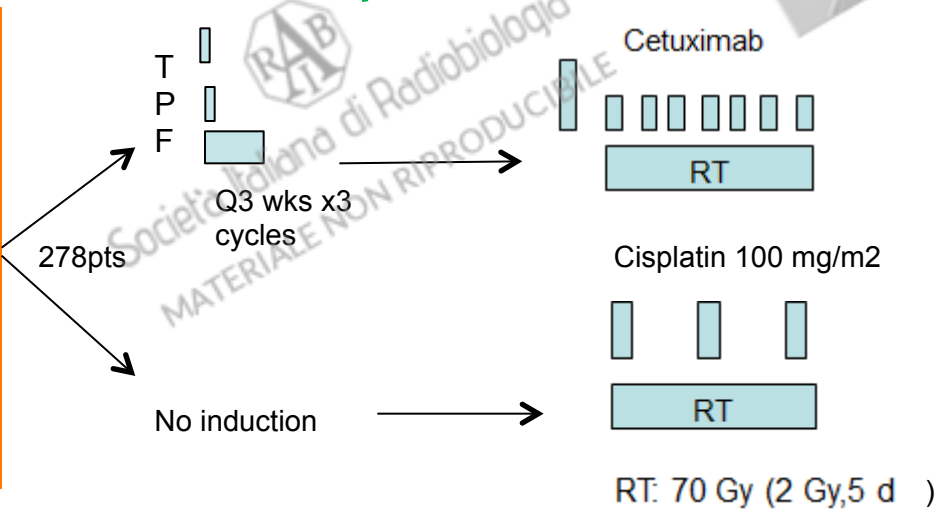
*This study is currently recruiting*

Open-label, randomized, multi-center Phase III trial  
 Lead investigator: M. Merlano  
 Gruppo Oncologico del Nord-Ovest

**Inclusion criteria**

- SCCHN unsuitable for surgery
- Stage III-IV
- PS <2

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Primary endpoint: OS (5yr)  
 Secondary endpoint include: PFS, LRC, RR, safety (all 5yr)

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:  
 NCT00999700

TPF = docetaxel 75mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1 + cisplatin 75mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1 + 5-FU 750mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1-4



## Recruiters Centres:

- ASL-2 Osp S. Paolo Savona
- AOU Città della Salute e della Scienza Torino
- Ospedale ASL 3 Micone Sestri Ponente- Villa Scassi Genova
- Ospedale SS. Antonio e Biagio e Arrigo Alessandria
- AUSL Valle D'Aosta
- Ospedali Galliera Genova
- Istituto Nazionale Tumori Milano
- Policlinico Sant'Orsola-Malpighi Bologna
- IRCCS CROB Rionero in Vulture
- Ospedale Maggiore Parma
- Ospedale S. Croce Fano
- Policlinico Modena
- San Filippo Neri Roma
- IRCCS Santa Maria Nuova Reggio Emilia
- ASO S Croce e Carle-Cuneo
- IRCCS San Martino-IST Genova





# **The INTERCEPTOR Trial**

**EUDRACT 2009-013402-14**

## **Population (inclusion criteria):**

- 1. Histologically confirmed SCC**
- 2. Primary tumor in oral cavity, oropharynx, hypopharynx, larynx**
- 3. Naïve pts**
- 4. Stage III-IV**
- 5. ECOG P.S. < 2**
- 6. “unresectable” (technically unresectable, or requiring major demolitive surgery with low probability of cure, or refusal of surgical approach by the pt)**
- 7. Adequate renal, liver, bone marrow and cardiological functions**
- 8. Geographical accessibility**
- 9. Signed informed consent**



## Pre-Treatment procedures

1. Complete physical examination
2. Dental evaluation
3. Nutritional evaluation
4. Analysis of the social and family environment

**Accrual (22 settembre 2016):  
275/278 pts**

## Statistic

1. Primary end-point: overall survival (5y):
2. Secondary end-points (5y):
  1. Toxicity
  2. L-R control
  3. Disease free survival
  4. Response rate
3. Sample 278 pts



# MAJOR PATIENTS CHARACTERISTICS (242 pts)

1. Male/Female	199/43
2. Median Age	64 (35 -79)
3. Primary Site	
1. Oral Cavity	28
2. Oropharynx	119
3. Hypopharynx	64
4. Larynx	31
4. STAGE III/IV	48/194
5. Smoking >10 pack/year	213 (88%)



# PRELIMINARY SAFETY ANALYSIS

## Patients considered: 170

(treatment completed; data collection completed)

Distribution by treatment arm: ARM A = 85

ARM B = 85

Male/female by treatment arm: ARM A = 70/15

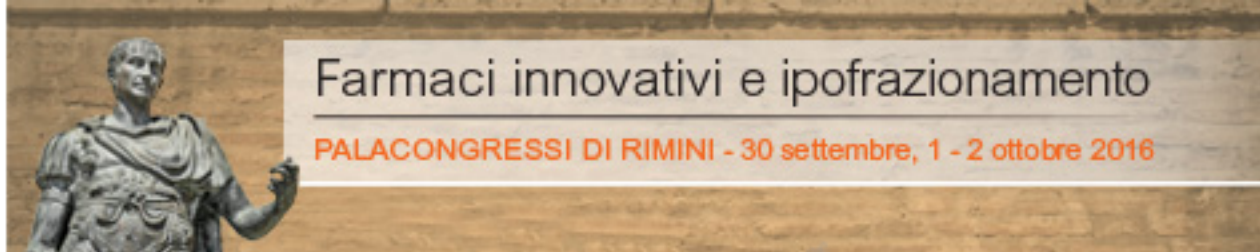
ARM B = 66/19

- ❖ Toxicities considered are those causing at least 1 grade III in one patient.
- ❖ Toxicities considered for this safety analysis are reported as the worst grade observed during treatment in each patient
- ❖ Toxicities are graded according to the NCI-CTC version 3.0





Toxicity	ARM A: Induction + BioRT		ARM B ChemoRT		$\chi^2$ test P
	G1 - G2	G3 - G4	G1 - G2	G3 - G4	
<b>Leukopenia</b>	23	8	33	6	0.27
<b>* neutropenia</b>	15	18	23	7	0.011
<b>anaemia</b>	61	2	54	3	0.9
<b>platelets</b>	20	0	12	1	0.82
<b>stomatitis</b>	41	32	40	24	0.45
<b>Weight loss</b>	35	2	37	2	0.21
<b>* Radio dermatitis</b>	45	15	47	3	0.007
<b>Dysphagia</b>	25	11	20	15	0.28
<b>Death within 3 months</b>	1		7		0.071



## Conclusions

- Overall the two treatment arms show similar toxicity profiles.
- Only neutropenia and radio-dermatitis are significantly different between treatment A and B, both favouring arm B.
- The excess of neutropenia in Arm A is entirely due to the induction phase.
- There is a trend favouring Arm A in “death within 3 months”
- The study is ongoing



# GORTEC 2007-02: CRT vs TPF → Cetuximab + RT In unresectable locally advanced SCCHN

Open-label, randomized, multi-center Phase III trial  
 Investigator: L Geoffrois  
 Groupe Oncologie Radiotherapie Tete et Cou (GORTEC)

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:  
 NCT01233843

## Inclusion criteria

Inoperable SCCHN  
 (hypopharynx, larynx, oral cavity, oropharynx)

Stage IV  
 T2-4, N2b-c or N3 M0

PS 0-1

RANDOMIZATION

370pts  
 2009-2013

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Q3 wks x3 cycles

No INDUCTION

Cetuximab

RT

ARM B

Carboplatin 70mg/m<sup>2</sup>+5-FU 600mg/m<sup>2</sup>,d1-4

RT

ARM A

RT: 70 Gy (2 Gy, 5 d  
 per wk for 7 wks)

Primary endpoint: PFS-14% improvement at 2 years  
 Secondary endpoint include: OS, LRC, distant metastasis, safety  
 HPV analysis

TPF=docetaxel 75mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1+cisplatin 75mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1  
 + 5-FU 750mg/m<sup>2</sup> D1-5



# TTCC- 2007-01: TPF → CRT or Cetuximab + RT In unresectable locally advanced SCCHN

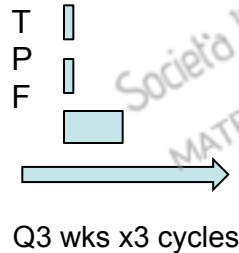
Open-label, randomized, multi-center Phase III trial  
Investigator: R.Hitt, JJ Cruz  
Grupo Espanol Tratamiento de Tumores de Cabeza y Cuello

## Inclusion criteria

Inoperable hypopharynx, larynx, oral cavity, oropharynx)

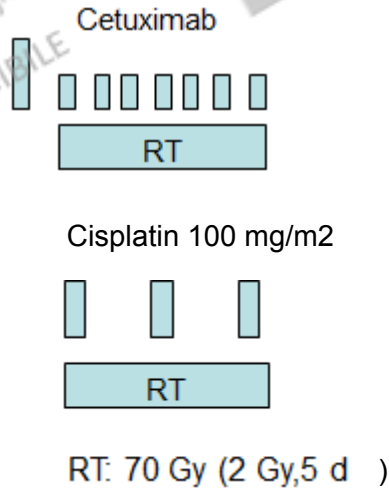
Stage III-IV  
T2-4, N2b-c or N3 M0

PS 0-1



RANDOMIZATION

516pts



Primary endpoint: OS- (3 years, noninferiority)  
Secondary endpoint include: 2 yr DFS, OS, 1-3yr LRC, safety

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:  
NCT00716391

TPF=docetaxel 75mg/m2 D1+cisplatin 75mg/m2 D1 + 5-FU 750mg/m2 D1-4



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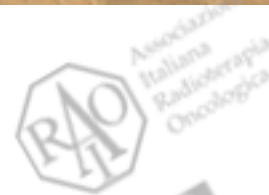
### INTERCEPTOR TRIAL

*INduction chemoThERapy followed by CEtuximab Plus defiNiTive  
 radiOtheRapy versus radiation plus cisplatin*

Grazie per  
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