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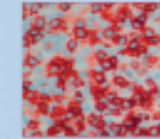
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NK/T-cell lymphoma: SMILE and other “asparaginase” containing regimens - Experience in Japan

- **L-asparaginase in the management of NK/T-cell lymphoma
in Japan**
- **Unmet medical needs in the treatment of NK/T-cell lymphoma
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NK/T-cell lymphoma (NKTCL) in Japan

- Incidence: 1.0 - 2.6% of ML

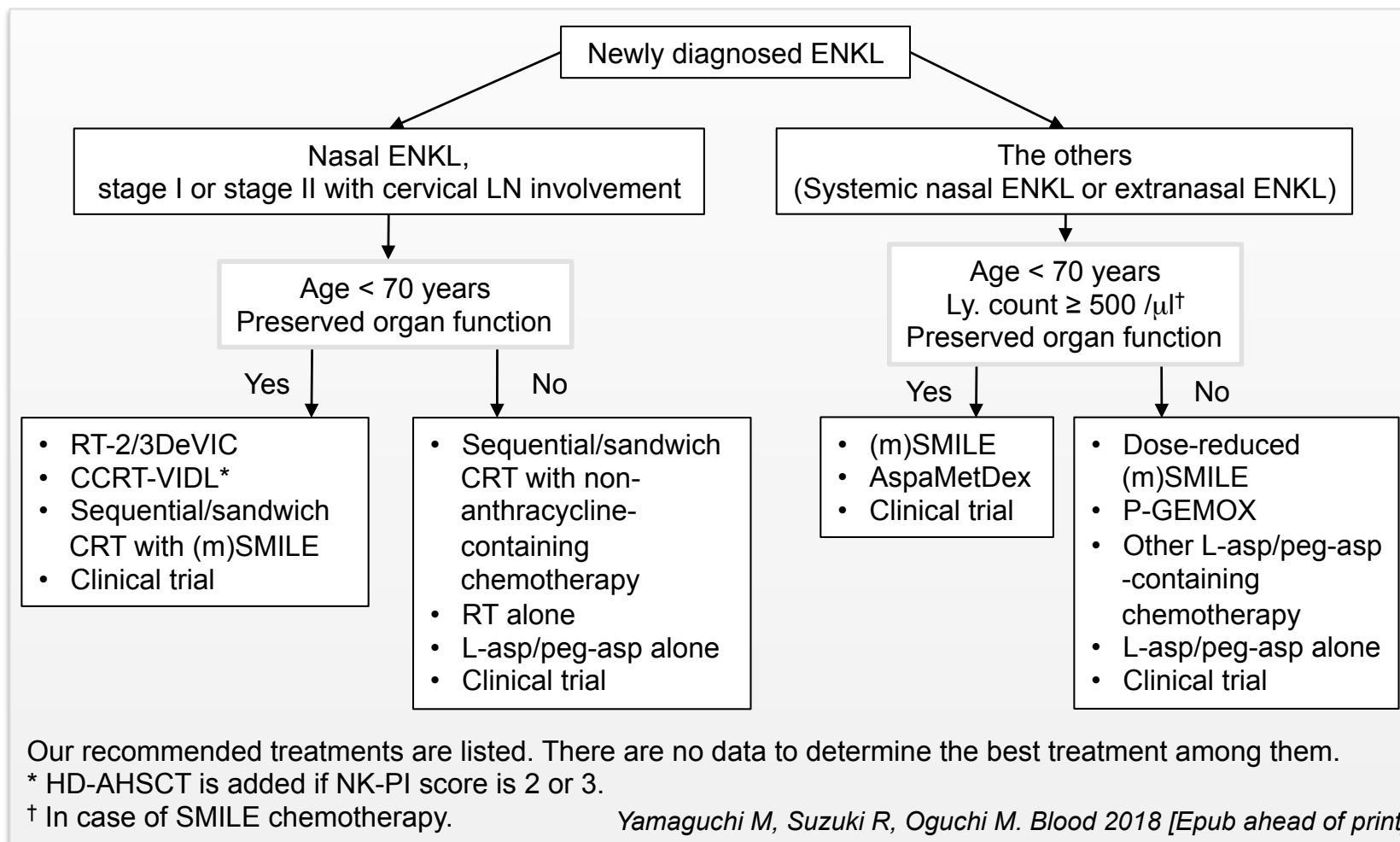
Lymphoma Study Group of Japanese Pathologists. Pathol Int 2000
Chihara D, et al. Br J Haematol 2014

- Median age at diagnosis: 58 years

	Study (group)	N	Median age at diagnosis	Age > 60 y	Reference
International	IPTCLP	136	49	-	<i>Au WY, et al. Blood 2009</i>
	PINK	527	-	31%	<i>Kim SJ, et al. Lancet Oncol 2016</i>
Korea	NK-PI	262	-	21%	<i>Lee J, et al. JCO 2006</i>
China	RT *	1,273	43	14%	<i>Yang Y, et al. Blood 2015</i>
Europe	GELA	48	46	-	<i>Bossard C, et al. Blood 2007</i>
	AspaMetDex †	19	60	-	<i>Jaccard A, et al. Blood 2011</i>
US	NCDB *	642	-	34%	<i>Vargo JA, et al. Cancer 2017</i>
Japan	NKEA	358	58	43%	<i>Yamaguchi M, et al. JCO 2017</i>

* , Localized NKTCL; † , Relapsed NKTCL.

Recommended first-line therapy for NKTCL



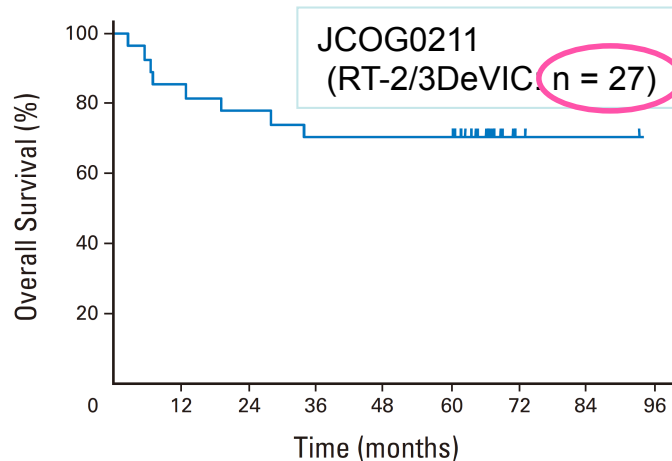
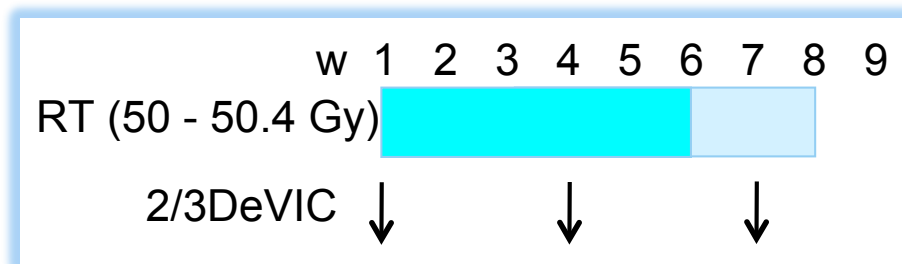
- Multiple recommended regimens are listed
 - Differences in preference and logistics of RT; availability of key agents
 - No standard therapy based on RCT

Standard of care for newly diagnosed NKTCL in Japan

- JSH guidelines (2013)

Localized, nasal,
stage IE or contiguous stage IIE

→ RT-2/3DeVIC



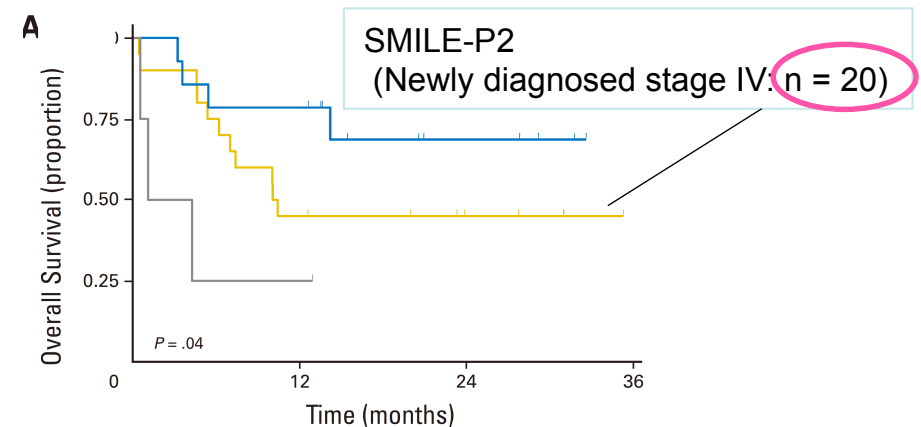
Yamaguchi M, Tobinai K, Oguchi M, et al. JCO 2012

The others

→ SMILE x 2-6

or other L-asp-containing regimens

Drug	Dose (/day)	Route	Day
MTX	2 g/m ²	IV (6h)	1
Leucovorin	15 mg x 4	IV or PO	2, 3, 4
IFM	1,500 mg/m ²	IV	2, 3, 4
Mesna	300 mg/m ² x3	IV	2, 3, 4
DMS	40 mg/day	IV or PO	2, 3, 4
ETP	100 mg/m ²	IV	2, 3, 4
L-asp	6,000 U/m ²	IV	8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20
G-CSF		SC or IV	6 - WBC > 5,000/mm ³



Yamaguchi M, Kwong YL, Kim WS, et al. JCO 2011

NKEA project (Next-Generation Therapy for NK/T-cell lymphoma in East Asia)

• Part A

Objectives:

- To clarify the current situation of the treatment for NKTCL in Japan

Study design:

- Multicenter, retrospective study

Eligibility Criteria:

- (1) Biopsy-proven NKTCL (WHO 2008)
- (2) Diagnosed between 2000 and 2013
- (3) No restriction of availability of clinical information

Endpoints:

- Baseline clinical characteristics
- Response
- Survival
- Toxicity
- Prognostic factors

Collaborators:

- Japanese Radiation Oncology Study Group

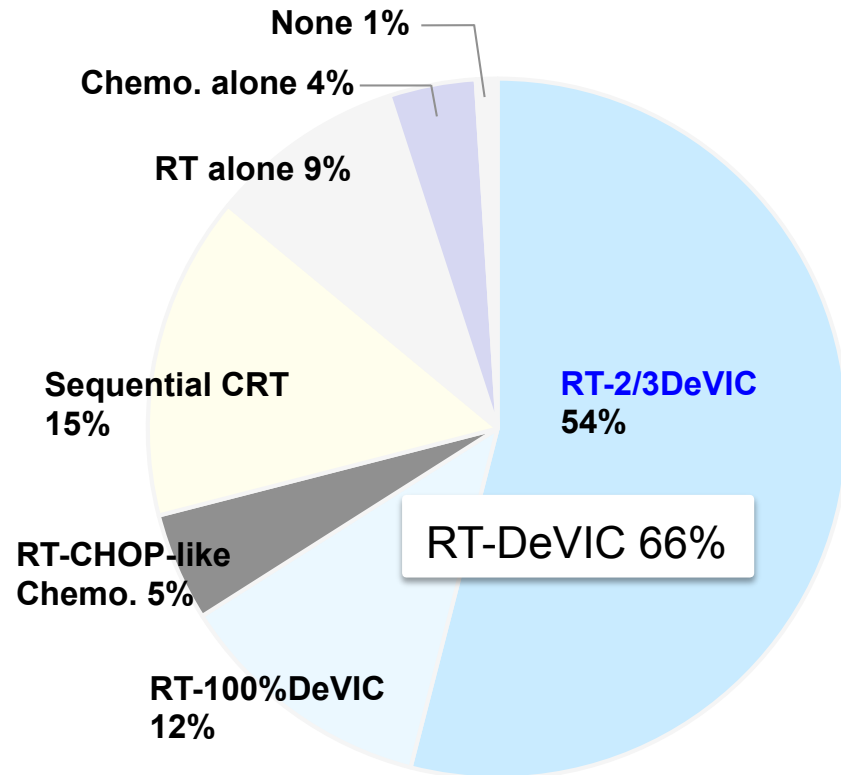
Patients selection

**Patients diagnosed as NKTCL in 31 institutes
(2000-2013) n = 383**

**Evaluable
n = 358**

25 ineligible patients
- inadequate diagnosis (n = 7)
- inadequate diagnosis period (n = 5)
- incomplete clinical information (n = 13)

First-line therapy in patients with localized NKTCL in 31 institutes in Japan (2000-2013, n = 257)



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- L-asparaginase-containing chemotherapy (n = 5)
 - SMILE (n = 3)
 - SMILE(-like) chemo → RT (n = 2)

- JSH Guidelines
- RT-2/3DeVIC: only 9 weeks

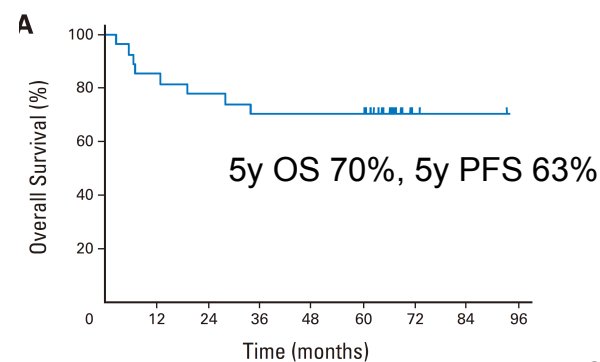
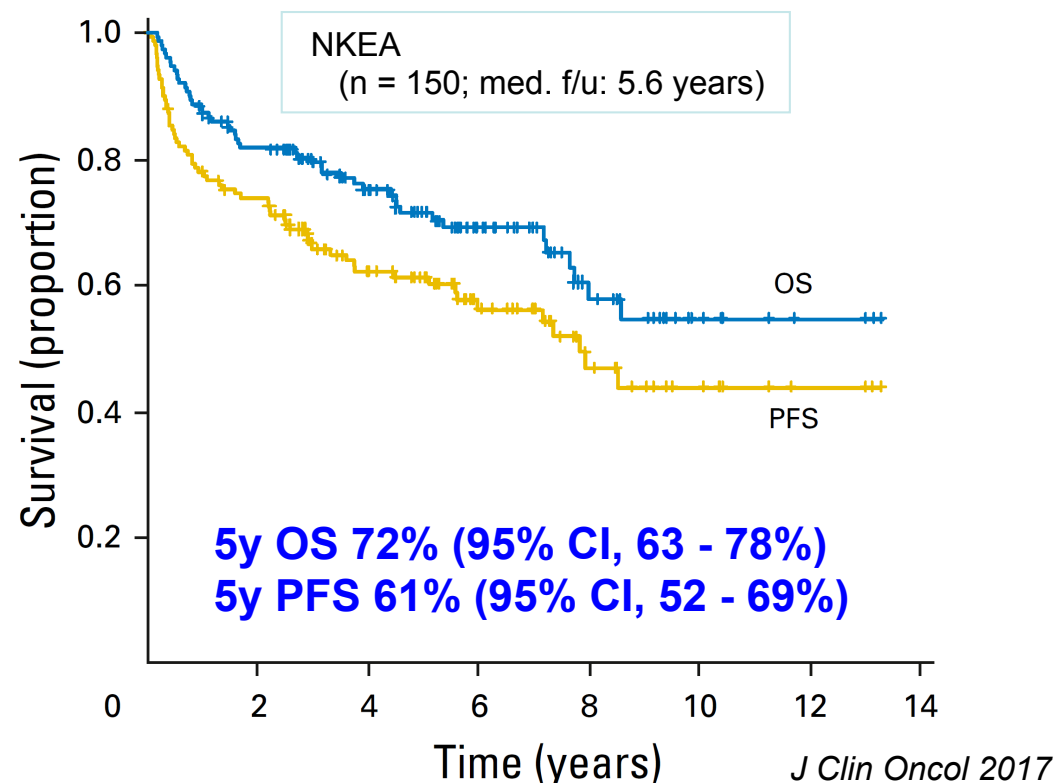
Fig: Yamaguchi M & Miyazaki K. J Clin Exp Hematop 2017

Treatment period	2000 - 2004	2005 - 2009	2010 - 2013
RT-DeVIC	32%	65%	82%

Efficacy of RT-DeVIC in clinical practice

• Baseline clinical characteristics

	NKEA (n = 150) %	JCOG0211 (n = 33) %
Median age, y (range)	56 (16 - 83)	54 (21-68)
Age > 60 y	37	21
Male sex	74	58
Elevated LDH	28	21
ECOG PS > 1	5	6
B symptom (+)	35	36
Reg. LN invol.	19	33
Hb < 11 g/dL	11	18
PLT < 150 x 10 ³ /μL	11	3
Elevated CRP	58	55
Elevated sIL-2R	42	37
%CR	82	75
ORR	89	78



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(RT-2/3DeVIC: n = 27)

First-line therapy in patients with systemic NKTCL in 31 institutes in Japan (2000-2013, n = 101)

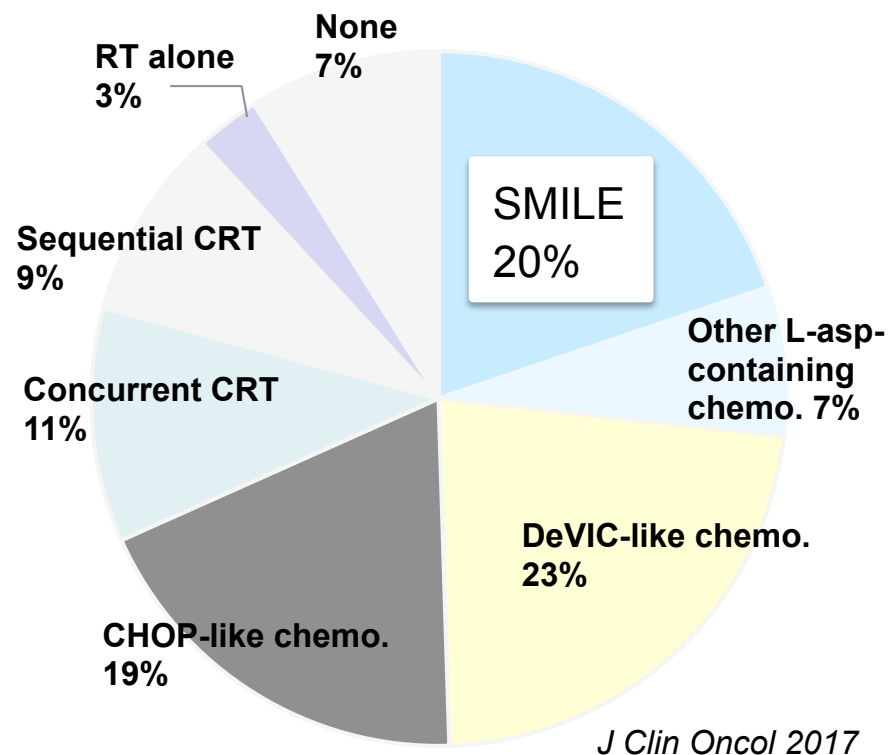


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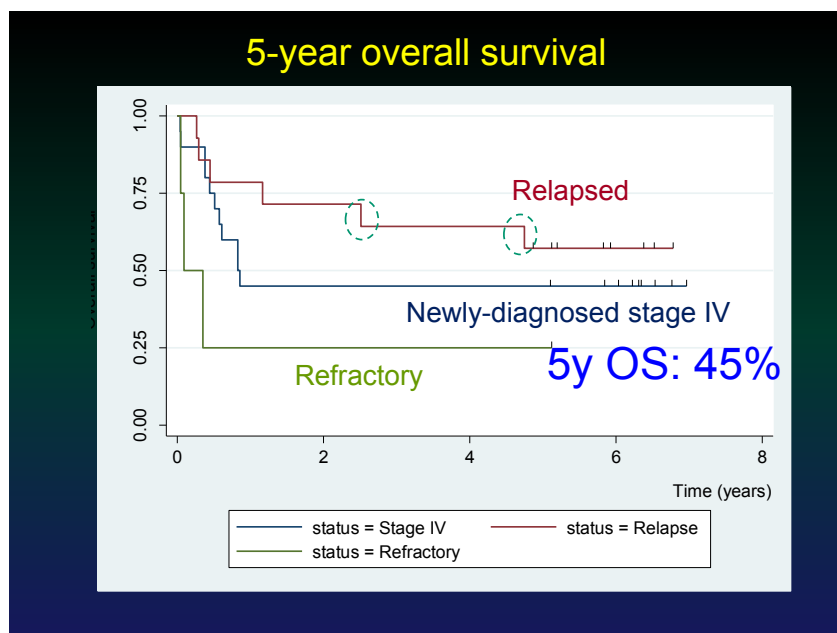
- L-asparaginase-containing chemotherapy (n = 30)
 - SMILE (n = 20)
 - Other L-asp+ chemo (n = 7) (MIPEL, HyperMAIL)
 - SMILE(-like) chemo → RT (n = 2)
 - CCRT with SMILE (n = 1)

Treatment period	2000 - 2004	2005 - 2009	2010 - 2013
L-asp-containing chemo.	17%	18%	32%

cf. SMILE-P2 *J Clin Oncol* 2011

SMILE chemotherapy for newly diagnosed stage IV disease

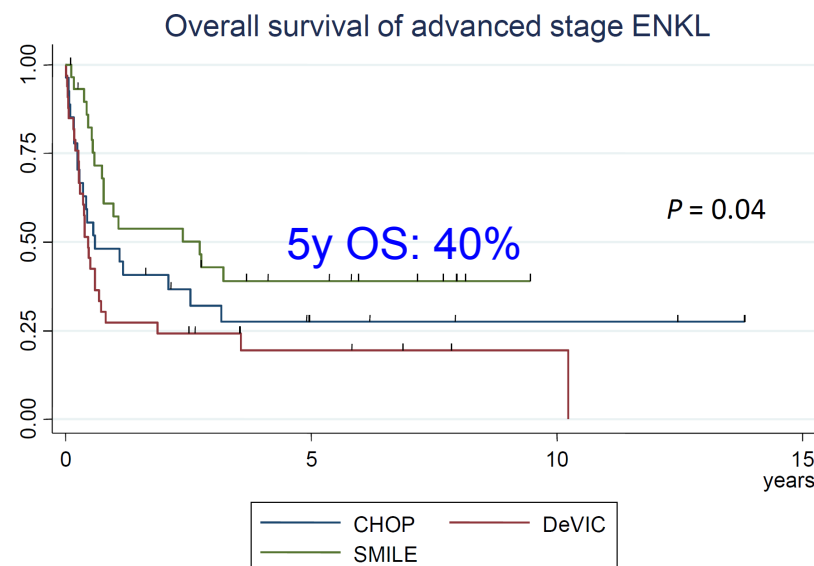
SMILE-P2



Suzuki R, et al. 13-ICML, 2015

- n = 20
- Protocol treatment: 2 cycles
- G3/4 infection 61%
- G3/4 abnormal liver test 58%
- TRD (n = 2) infection

NKEA Part A



Suzuki R, et al. EHA2016

- n = 13
- Median No. of cycles: 2
- G3/4 abnormal liver test 46%
- Febrile neutropenia 15%
- TRD (n = 1) pancreatitis

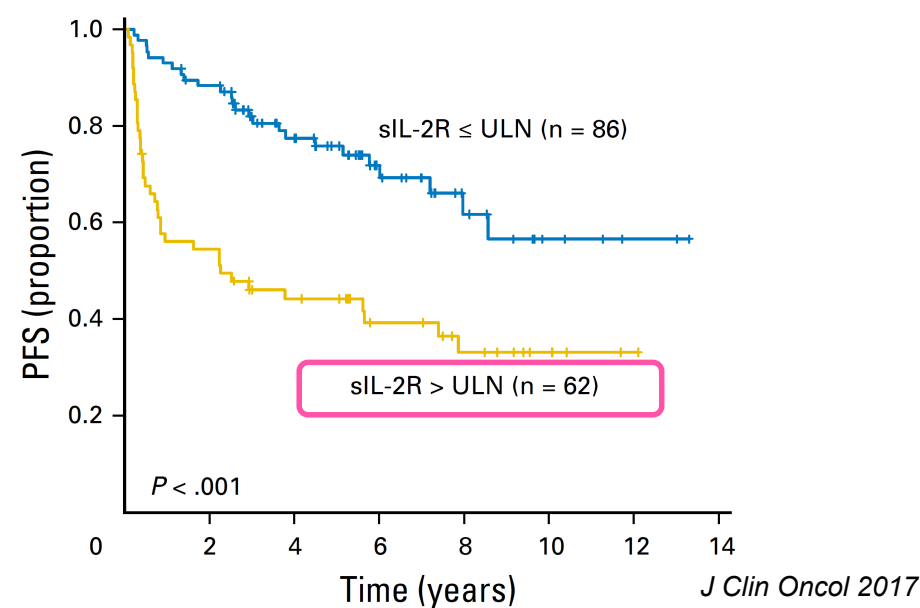
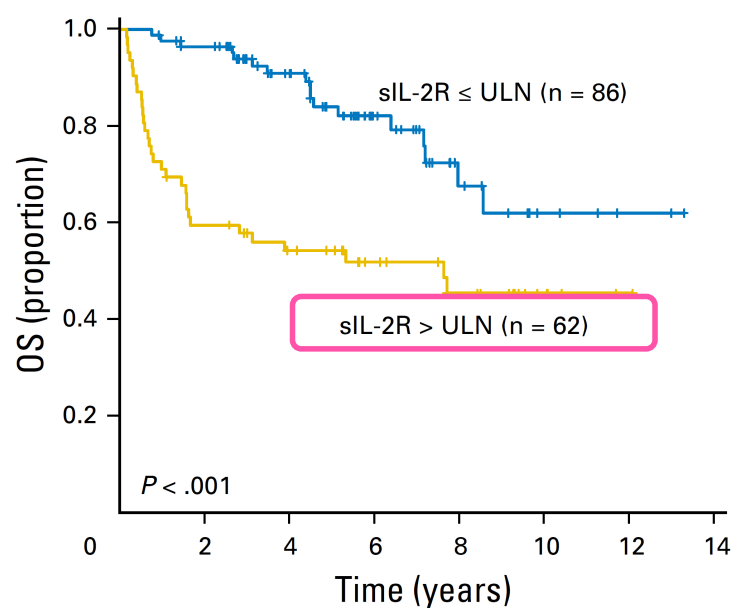
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Multivariate analysis of factors affect on survival (RT-DeVIC, n = 145)

Variable	OS						PFS					
	Univariate			Multivariate			Univariate			Multivariate		
	HR	95% CI	P	HR	95% CI	P	HR	95% CI	P	HR	95% CI	P
LDH > ULN	1.47	0.80 - 2.72	0.22	-	-	-	1.65	0.97 - 2.80	0.063	1.21	0.70 - 2.11	0.49
ECOG PS >1	3.86	1.80 - 8.29	< 0.001	2.24	0.99 - 5.07	0.052	3.03	1.43 - 6.40	0.0037	1.86	0.83 - 4.16	0.13
Regional LN invol.	2.02	1.10 - 3.69	0.023	1.81	0.99 - 3.33	0.055	1.54	0.88 - 2.70	0.13	-	-	-
Hb < 11 g/dL	2.83	1.40 - 5.70	0.0037	2.05	0.98 - 4.29	0.057	2.14	1.11 - 4.11	0.023	1.49	0.74 - 2.99	0.26
CRP > ULN	2.09	1.13 - 3.87	0.019	1.39	0.71 - 2.72	0.34	1.71	1.01 - 2.89	0.044	1.12	0.63 - 2.00	0.69
sIL-2R > ULN	2.99	1.65 - 5.44	< 0.001	2.28	1.24 - 4.23	0.008	2.95	1.76 - 4.94	< 0.001	2.46	1.42 - 4.28	0.0014

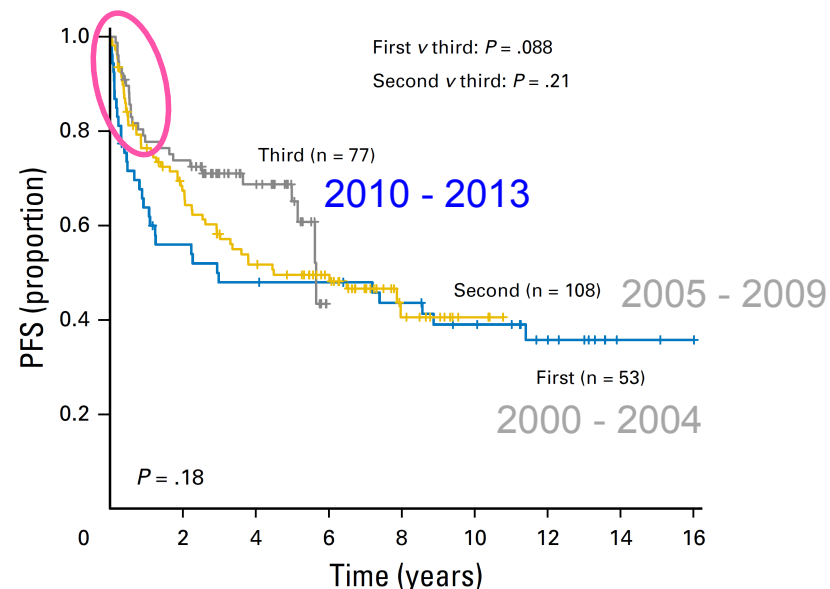
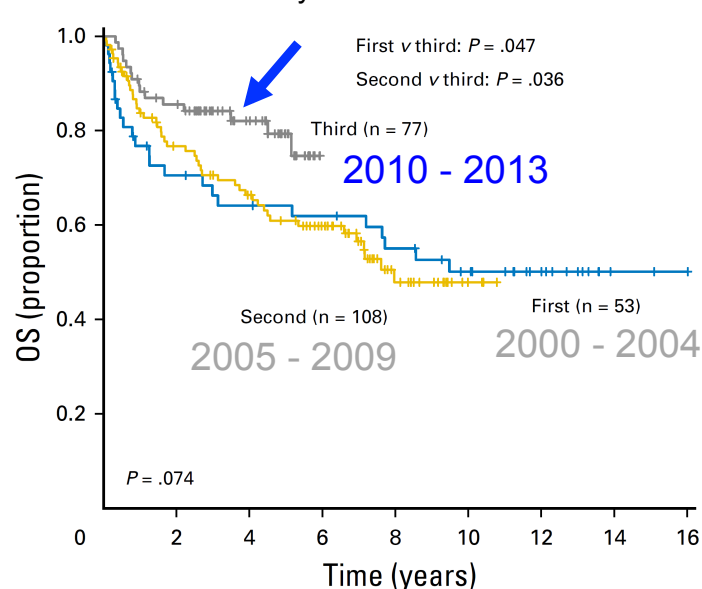


Elevated sIL-2R identify patients who have unmet medical needs.

Survival of patients with NKTCL in clinical practice

- Med. f/u in the third era: 4.3 years

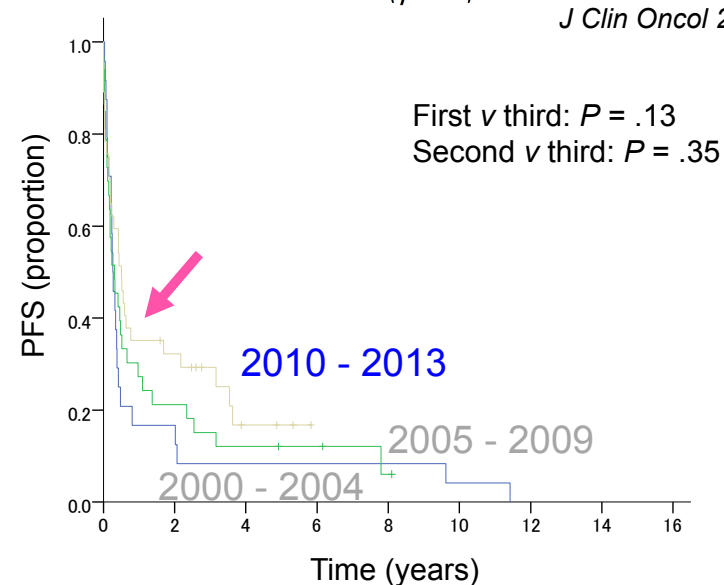
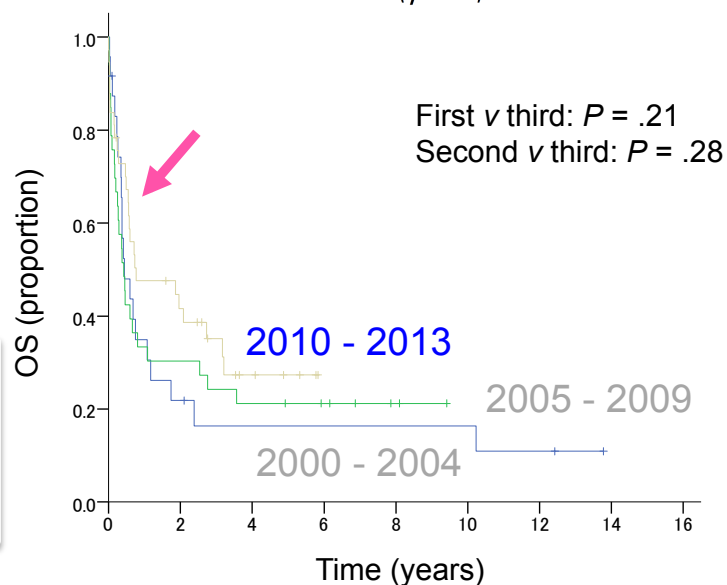
Localized
NKTCL
(n = 238)



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Advanced
NKTCL
(n = 94)

Unmet
medical
needs



NKEA “Part B & C”

Objectives:

- To elucidate clinical features of patients with newly diagnosed localized nasal NKTCL who experienced early disease progression after receiving CCRT

Eligibility Criteria (NKEA Part A):

- (1) Biopsy-proven NKTCL (WHO 2008)
- (2) Diagnosed between 2000 and 2013
- (3) No restriction of availability of clinical information

Eligibility Criteria (This Study):

1. [Nasal](#) NKTCL
2. Stage IE or contiguous stage IIE
([No distant LN involvement](#))
3. Patients received CCRT as first-line therapy

Definition of Early Disease Progression:

- Progression of disease within 2 years after diagnosis
([POD24](#))
*National LymphoCare Study.
Casulo C, et al. JCO 2015*
- Patients who were lost to follow-up or dead without POD24 were excluded.

Collaborators:

- JROSG
- Samsung Medical Center (Part C)

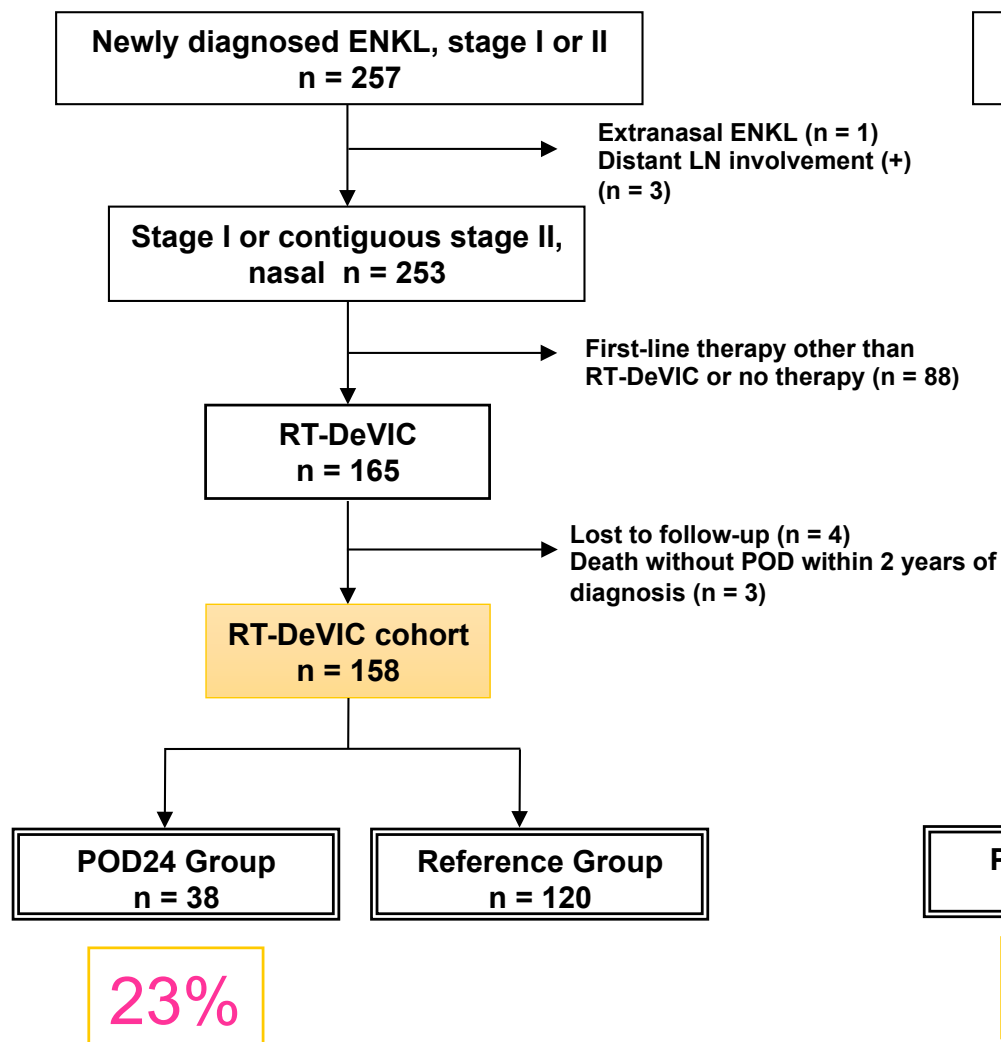


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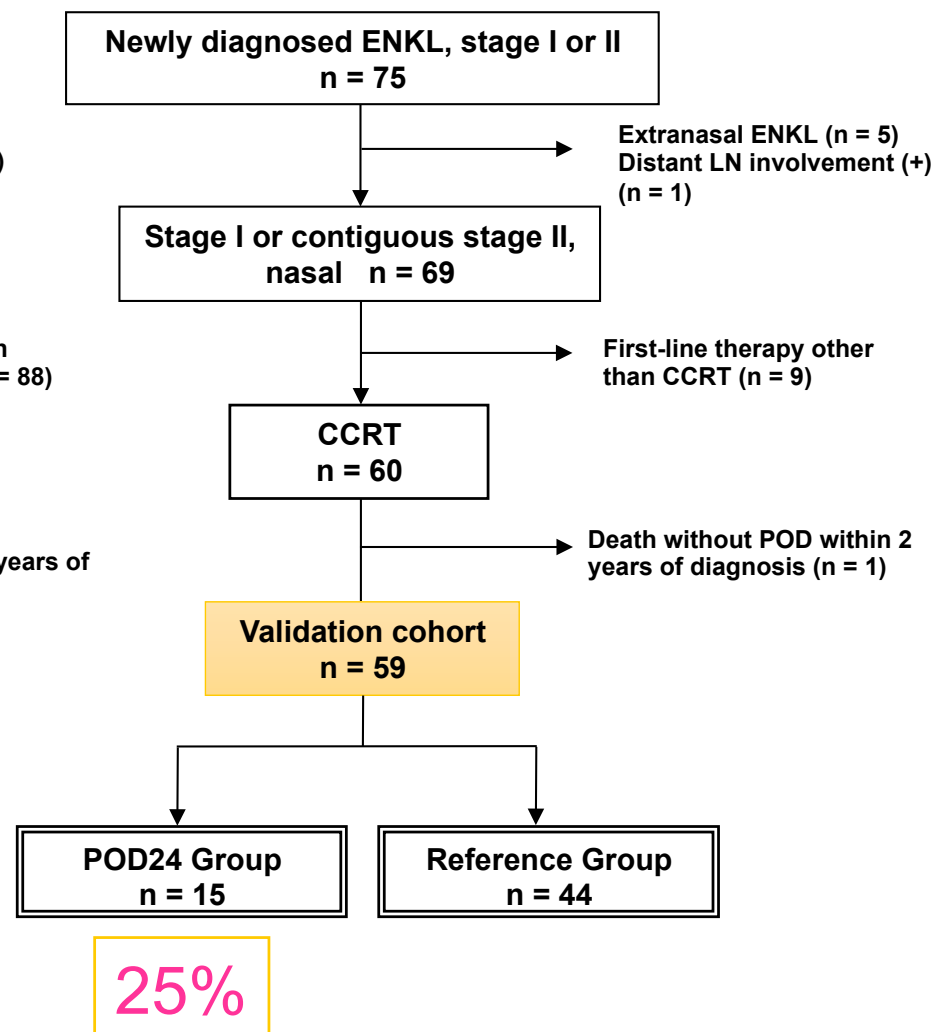
- ✓ CCRT
- ✓ Long-term follow-up

Consort diagrams

NKEA Part A dataset

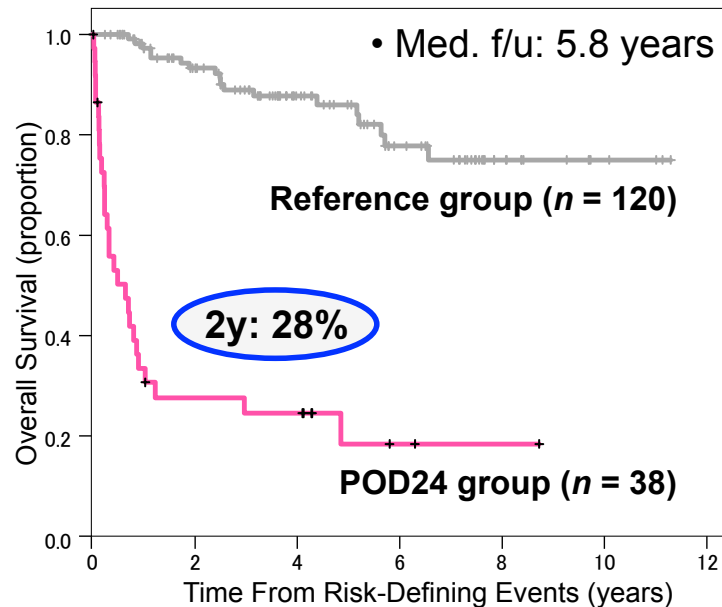


SMC dataset

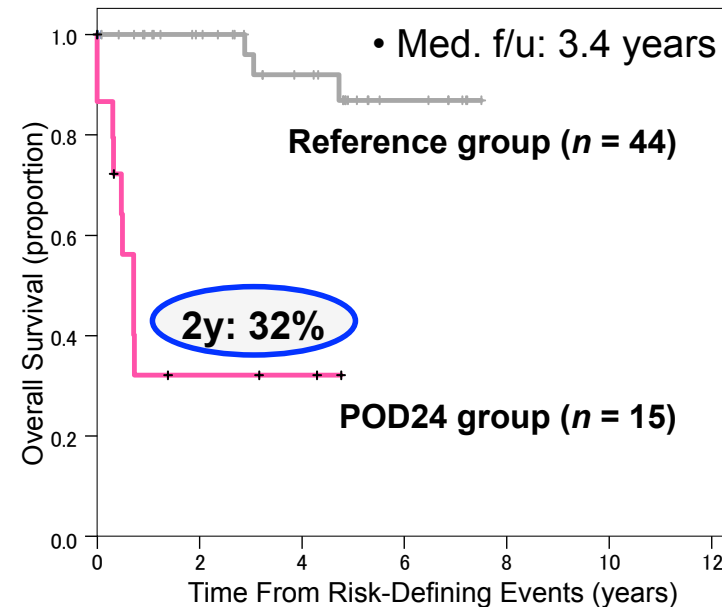


Impact of early disease progression on subsequent OS

RT-DeVIC cohort



Validation cohort (SMC)



POD24 was associated with markedly reduced subsequent OS compared with the reference group.

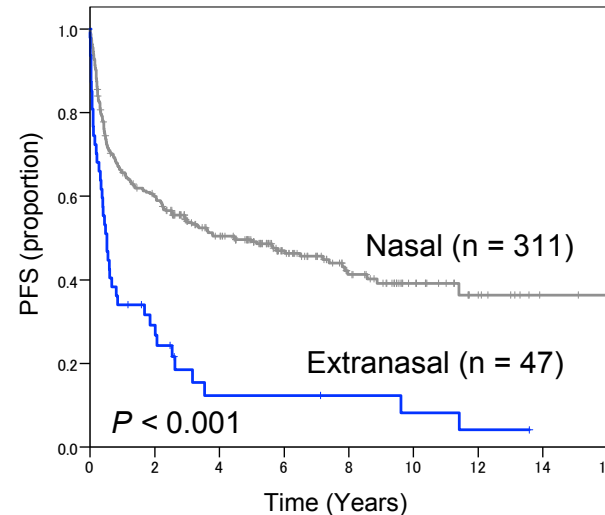
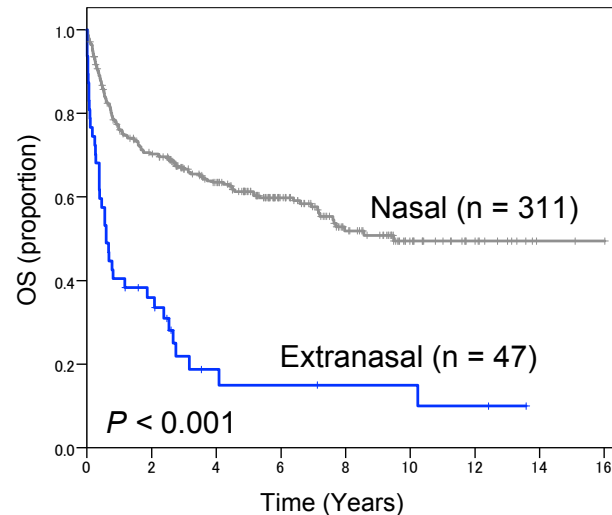
Patients who experienced **POD24** have great unmet needs in the treatment of NKTCL.

Patients' fitness for SMILE chemotherapy

- Major inclusion criteria of SMILE-P2
 - Age: 15 - 69 years
 - ECOG PS: 0 - 2
 - WBC $\geq 3,000 /\mu\text{L}$, Ly count $\geq 500 /\mu\text{L}$, PLT $\geq 75 \times 10^9 /\text{L}$
(or $\geq 50 \times 10^9 /\text{L}$ in patients with BM involvement and/or HPS)
 - No serious complications
- Analysis using the NKEA Part A dataset

Subgroup	Fit	Unfit	<i>P</i> (vs. extranasal NKTCL)
	No. (%)	No. (%)	
Nasal NKTCL (n = 311)	188 (60)	123 (40)	< 0.001
Advanced nasal NKTCL (n = 60)	23 (38)	37 (62)	0.091
Extranasal NKTCL (n = 47)	10 (21)	37 (79)	-

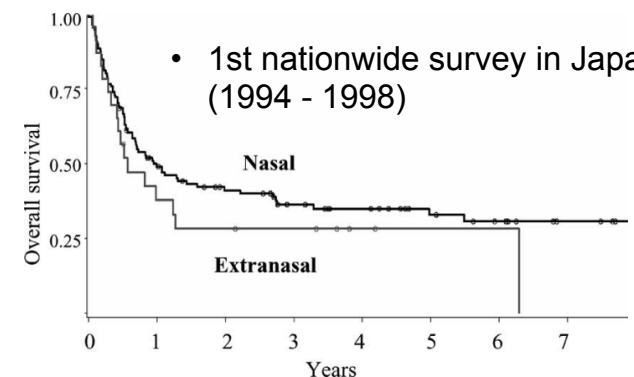
No improvement of prognosis in extranasal NKTCL



- Median follow-up: 5.8 years

- 2-year OS
 - Nasal NKTCL: 70% (95% CI, 65 - 75%) $> H_0$ ($< 50\%$)
 - Extranasal NKTCL: 36% (95% CI, 23 - 49%) *cf.* H_0 : $< 30\%$

Patients with **extranasal NKTCL** have great unmet medical needs.



- 1st nationwide survey in Japan (1994 - 1998)

NK/T-cell lymphoma: SMILE and other “asparaginase” containing regimens - Experience in Japan - Summary -

- L-asparaginase in the treatment of NKTCL in Japan
 - Usually used as a component of SMILE chemotherapy
 - SMILE chemotherapy → manageable toxicity in fit patients
- Prognosis of patients with localized NKTCL: improved
- NKEA study revealed unmet medical needs in the treatment of NKTCL
 - Advanced NKTCL, extranasal NKTCL
 - Localized NKTCL, RT-DeVIC: elevated sIL-2R, POD24
 - (a risk of CNS relapse)
 - May be candidates for a clinical trial of a new agent
- International cooperation utilizing the advantages of each country/region will advance the development of new treatments for NKTCL



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