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Use of Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy (PRRT) for Treatment of Neuroendocrine Tumour

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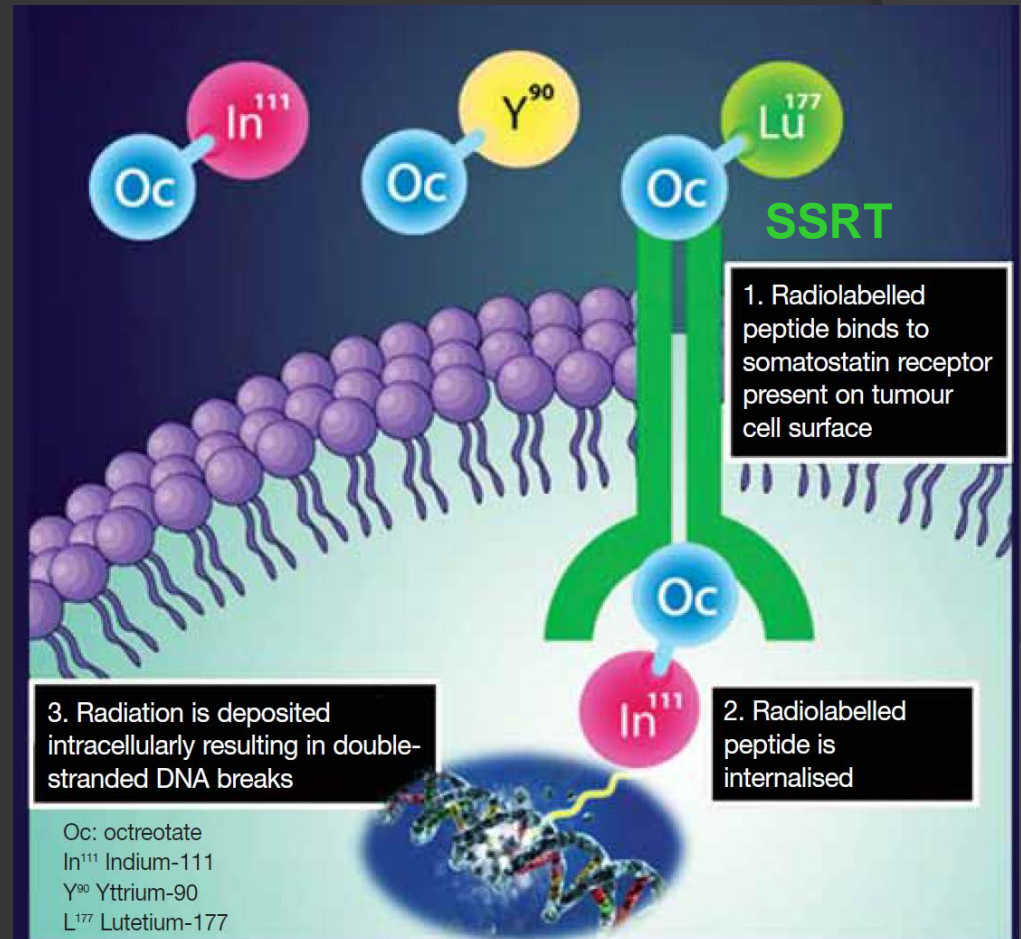
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Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy

❖ Radionuclide-molecular therapy

Radionuclide ($^{90}\text{Y}/^{177}\text{Lu}$)
+
Peptide (Octreotate)

❖ 1st performed in HKSH in 08/2011



PRRT

❖ Neuroendocrine tumor

- ❖ Overexpressed somatostatin receptor 2 (sstr2)
- ❖ Well and moderately differentiated tumor (WHO classification grade 1 or 2)
- ❖ Metastatic or inoperable
- ❖ Neoadjuvant therapy for pre-operative downstaging in advanced pancreatic NET
- ❖ Others: pheochromocytoma, paraganglioma, neuroblastoma or medullary thyroid carcinoma



PRRT

- ◎ Most studies report objective response rates in 15–35% of patients.
- ◎ progression free survival (PFS) and overall survival compares very favorably with that for somatostatin analogs, chemotherapy, or targeted therapies.
- ◎ compare favorably to PFS data for liver directed therapies such as ^{90}Y -labelled microspheres.



Advantages of Radionuclide Therapies

- ⦿ use of radiolabeled tumor-seeking molecules to deliver a cytotoxic dose of radiation to specific tumor cells.
- ⦿ difference between radionuclide therapy and external beam irradiation is the finite range of ionizing particles emitted.
- ⦿ avoid or minimize toxic effects to normal organ.
- ⦿ Radiation can be delivered to subclinical tumors and metastases that are too small to be imaged and treated by surgical excision and external beam therapy.



Eligibility of PRRT

	Well-differentiated		Poorly differentiated
Grade (ENETS)	Low (G1)	Intermediate (G2)	High (G3)
Ki-67 index (%)	≤2	3-20	>20
Anatomic imaging	more rapid growth on serial imaging		
Functional imaging			
Prognosis	Indolent (slowly growing)		Aggressive

¹¹¹In-octreotide SPECT/CT

⁶⁸Ga DOTATOC PET/CT (available at HKSH since 09/2015)



Theranostics

❖ “**Therapeutics** + **Diagnos**tics”

❖ Use of radionuclide-labeled agents that specifically diagnose disease and then use identical or closely related agents for therapy

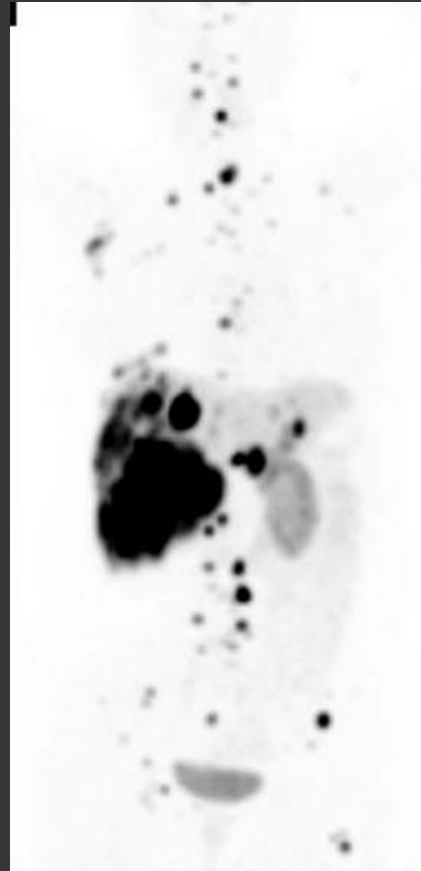
Therapeutics	Diagnos tics
^{90}Y DOTATOC	^{68}Ga DOTATOC
^{177}Lu DOTATATE	^{111}In pentetretotide



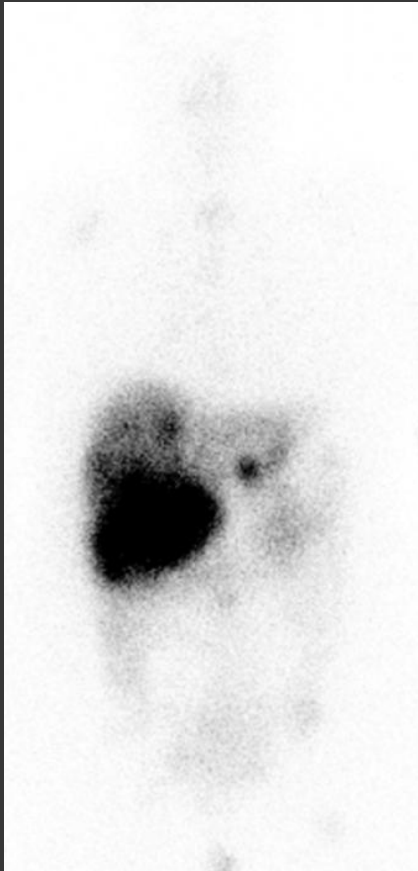
Somatostatin receptor Imaging

^{68}Ga DOTATOC vs ^{111}In -pentetretotide

1. ssrt PET is superior to SPECT (2x higher sensitivity) in detecting NET metastases
2. PET is the scintigraphic method for accurate depiction of NET tumor burden
3. Quantification feasible in ^{68}Ga DOTATOC PET (SUVmax) but not in ^{111}In In pentetretotide scintigraphy



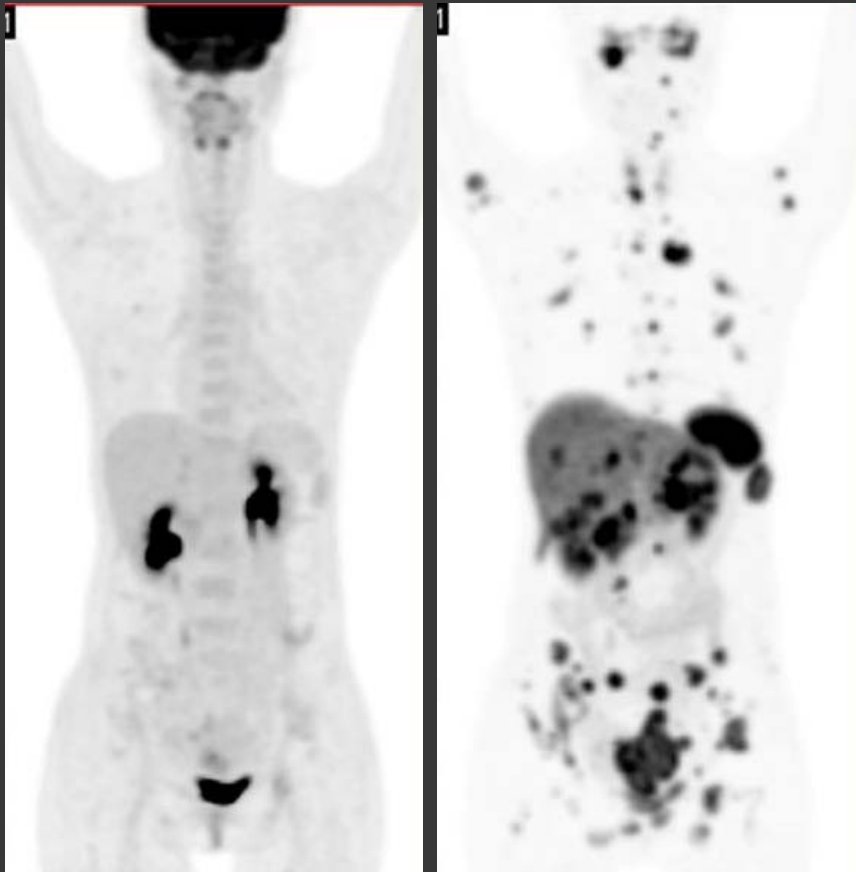
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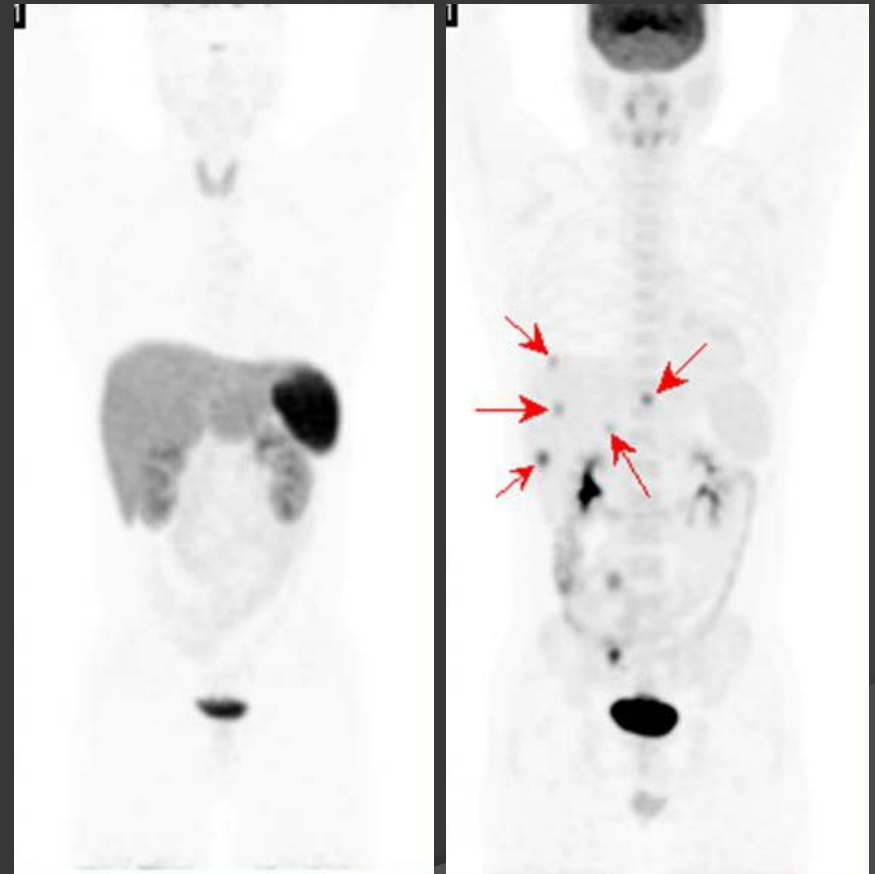
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Somatostatin receptor + Metabolic Imaging

Rectal Biopsy: G2 NET



Small bowel resection: G2 NET



Candidate for PRRT

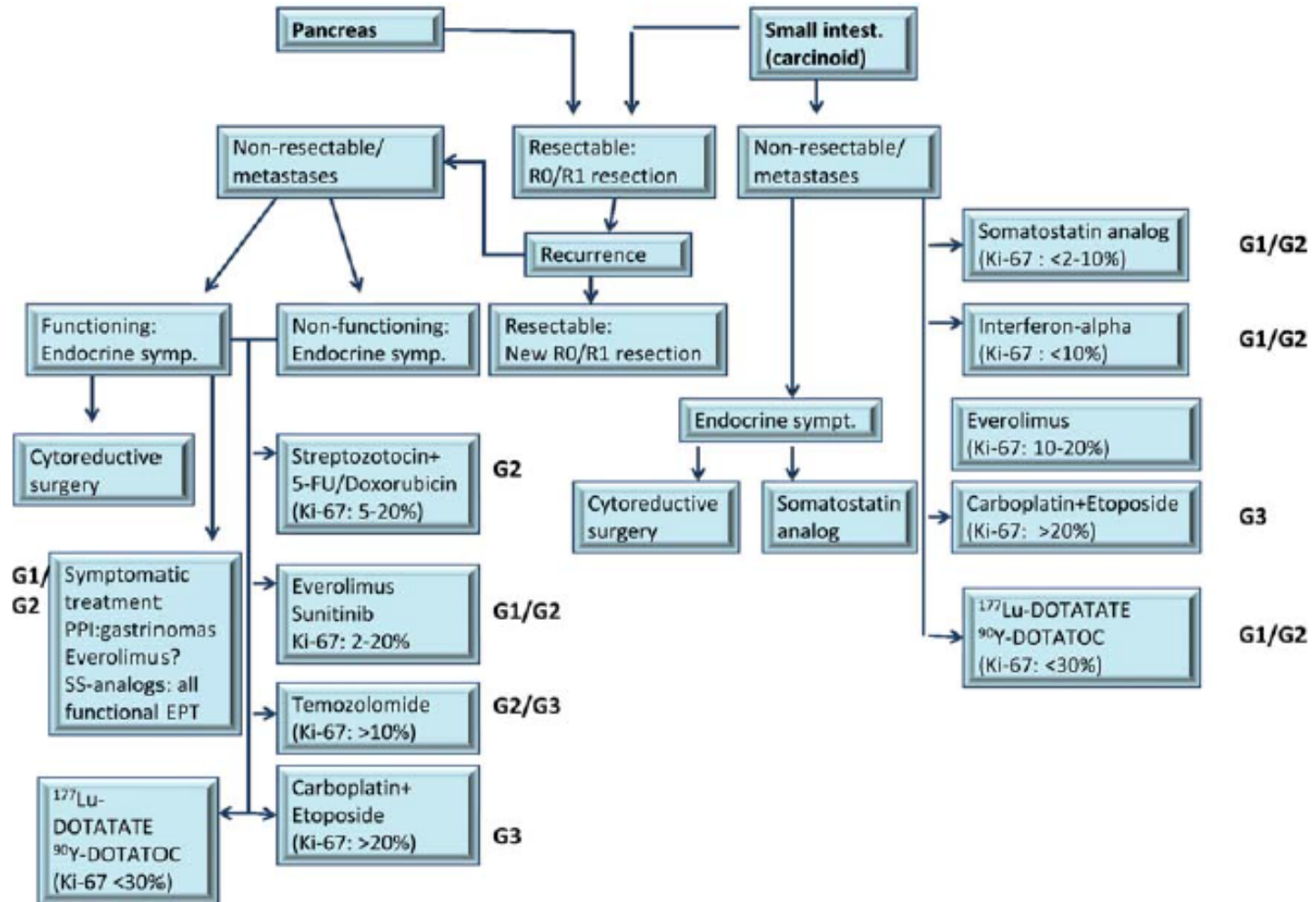
NOT candidate for PRRT

ESMO guideline for Neuroendocrine gastro-entero-pancreatic tumors in 2012

- PRRT can be considered in both functioning and nonfunctioning NETs with positive somatostatin receptor scintigraphy irrespective of the primary tumor site.
- more than 1000 patients in total have been treated in Europe with objective response rates ranging between 20% and 40%
- Response rates are higher in pancreatic compared with small intestinal NETs



ESMO guideline for Neuroendocrine gastro-entero-pancreatic tumors in 2012: Treatment algorithm



Contraindications

❖ Absolute:

- ❖ Pregnancy
- ❖ Severe acute concomitant illnesses
- ❖ Severe unmanageable psychiatric disorder

❖ Relative:

- ❖ Breast feeding (if not discontinued)
- ❖ Severe compromised **renal** function
 - ❖ ⁹⁰Y-labeled peptide:
 - ❖ normal age-adjusted renal function
 - ❖ ¹⁷⁷Lu-labeled peptide:
 - ❖ mild to moderate grade of renal impairment can be tolerated (Creatinine \leq 1.7mg/dl or GFR & TEF \geq 60% of mean age-adjusted normal values)
- ❖ Severe compromised **bone marrow**
 - ❖ WBC $<$ 3000/ul with absolute neutrophil count $<$ 1000/ul
 - ❖ ¹⁷⁷Lu-labeled peptide: Plt $<$ 75000/ul
 - ❖ ⁹⁰Y-labeled peptide: Plt $<$ 90000/ul



^{90}Y DOTATOC vs ^{177}Lu DOTATATE

	^{90}Y DOTATOC	^{177}Lu DOTATATE
Physical T1/2	2.7 days	6.7 days
Radiation	β	β & γ
Max. tissue penetration	12 mm	2 mm
Useful on	Large tumor	Small tumor
Toxicity	More renal toxicity	Less renal toxicity
Radiation isolation	No	1st few hours
Post-treatment Imaging & Dosimetry	Not applicable	Applicable



Treatment regime of PRRT

	^{90}Y DOTATOC	^{177}Lu DOTATATE	^{90}Y DOTATOC/ ^{177}Lu DOTATATE
Administered Activity	72-120 mCi	150-200 mCi	^{90}Y : 68-135 mCi ^{177}Lu : 150-200 mCi *adjusted on individual basis
No. of cycles	2-4	3-5	2-6
Time intervals	6-12 weeks	6-12 weeks	6-16 weeks

Concurrent therapies, administering a cocktail of ^{177}Lu and ^{90}Y peptides are also emerging



Renal Protection

- ❖ Kidney is the critical organ in PRRT especially using ^{90}Y DOTATOC
- ❖ Renal irradiation:
 - ❖ Proximal tubular reabsorption and interstitium retention
- ❖ Amino acid (AA) protection:
 - ❖ Counteract and reduce the high kidney retention of radiopeptides by positively charged AA (L-lysine and/or L-arginine)



Somatostatin analogue withdrawal

- ❖ Long-acting somatostatin (Sandostatin LAR)
 - ❖ 4-6 weeks
 - ❖ Substitute by short-acting somatostatin 1 month prior PRRT
- ❖ Short-acting somatostatin
 - ❖ at least 24 hours



Adverse effect

❖ Acute

- ❖ Nausea, headache & vomiting due to metabolic acidosis induced by amino acid coadministration is well managed by hydration with normal saline and possibly by repeating corticosteroid or antiemetic administrations
- ❖ Exacerbate syndromes related to the respective functional tumors



Adverse effect

Delayed

- ❖ Hepatic toxicity in massive liver metastases
- ❖ Renal toxicity:
 - ❖ ^{90}Y : incidence of Grade 4 & 5 renal toxicity is 9.2%
 - ❖ Average annual decreased in creatinine clearance:
 - ❖ ^{90}Y DOTATOC: 7%; ^{177}Lu DOTATATE: 3%
- ❖ Marrow toxicity:
 - ❖ Grade 3 or 4 acute marrow toxicity – mostly reversible
 - ❖ ^{90}Y DOTATOC: 10-13% of treatment cycles
 - ❖ ^{177}Lu DOTATATE: 2-3% of treatment cycles
 - ❖ Sporadic cases of MDS or overt AML



PRRT: efficacy

Table 1 Tumor responses in patients with gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors, treated with different radiolabeled somatostatin analogs.

Center (reference)	Ligand	n	Tumor response					CR+PR (%)
			CR	PR	MR	SD	PD	
Rotterdam (6)	[¹¹¹ In-DTPA ⁰]octreotide	26	0	0	5 (19%)	11 (42%)	10 (38%)	0
New Orleans (7)	[¹¹¹ In-DTPA ⁰]octreotide	26	0	2 (8%)	NA	21 (81%)	3 (12%)	8
Milan (13)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotide	21	0	6 (29%)	NA	11 (52%)	4 (19%)	29
Basel (14, 15, 41)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotide	74	3 (4%)	15 (20%)	NA	48 (65%)	8 (11%)	24
Basel (15, 41)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotide	33	2 (6%)	9 (27%)	NA	19 (57%)	3 (9%)	33
Multicenter (1)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotide	58	0	5 (9%)	7 (12%)	33 (61%)	10 (19%)	9
Multicenter (2)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotide	90	0	4 (4%)	NA	63 (70%)	11 (12%)	4
Copenhagen (3)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotide	53	2 (4%)	10 (19%)	NA	34 (64%)	7 (13%)	23
Warsaw (4)	[⁹⁰ Y-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotate	58	0	13 (23%)	NA	44 (73%)	3 (5%)	23
Rotterdam (5)	[¹⁷⁷ Lu-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotate	310	5 (2%)	86 (28%)	51 (16%)	107 (35%)	61 (20%)	29
Gothenburg (42)	[¹⁷⁷ Lu-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotate	26	0	6 (38%)	NA	8 (50%)	2 (13%)	38
Lund (43)	[¹⁷⁷ Lu-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotate	12	0	2 (17%)	3 (25%)	5 (40%)	2 (17%)	17
Milan (10)	[¹⁷⁷ Lu-DOTA ⁰ ,Tyr ³]octreotate	42	1 (2%)	12 (29%)	9 (21%)	11 (26%)	9 (21%)	31

CR, complete response; PR, partial response; MR, minor response; SD, stable disease; PD, progressive disease.

Kwekkeboom DJ et al. *Journal of Clinical Oncology* 2008; 26, 2124–2130



⁹⁰Y-octreotide vs ¹⁷⁷Lu-octreotate

Complete and partial responses obtained after treatment with ⁹⁰Y-DOTATOC are in the same range as after treatment with ¹⁷⁷Lu-octreotate.

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¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate Significantly Improves Progression-Free Survival in Patients with Midgut Neuroendocrine Tumours: Results of the Phase III NETTER-1 Trial

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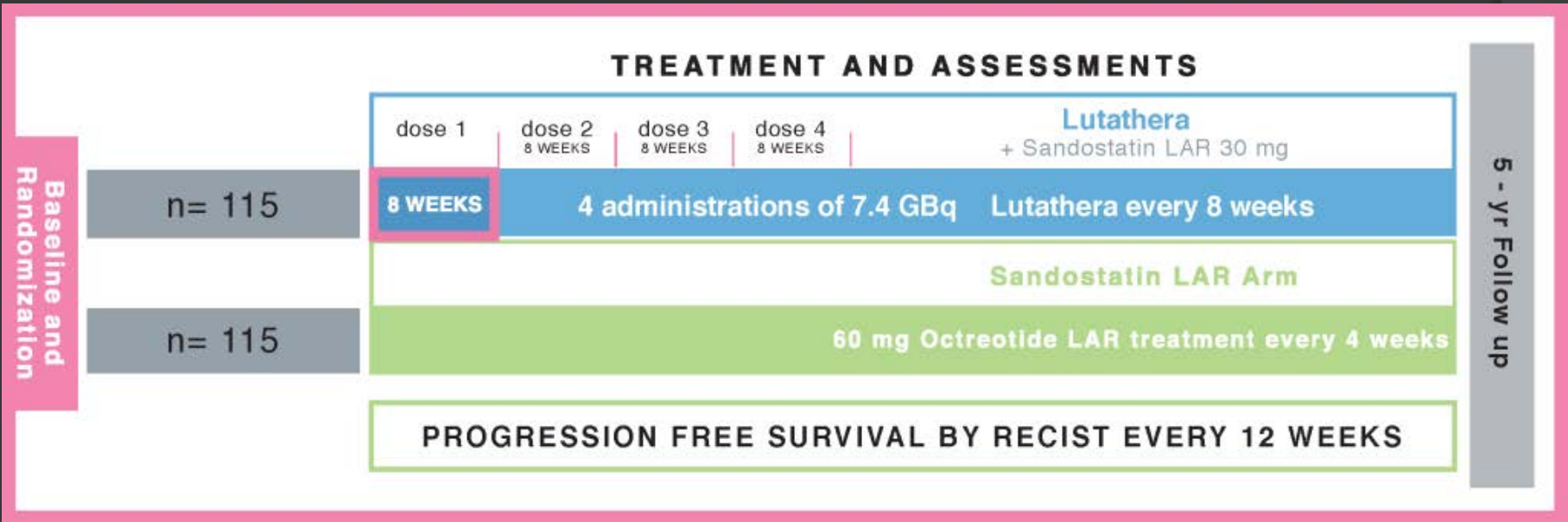
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NETTER-1 Trial

<p>Aim</p>	<p>Evaluate the efficacy and safety of ^{177}Lu-Dotatate plus Octreotide 30 mg compared to Novartis Octreotide LAR 60mg (off-label use)¹ in patients with inoperable, somatostatin receptor positive, midgut NET, progressive under Octreotide LAR 30mg (label use)</p>
<p>Design</p>	<p>International, multicenter, randomized, comparator-controlled, parallel-group Phase III study conducted in 51 centers with 230 patients randomized</p>



NETTER-1 Trial



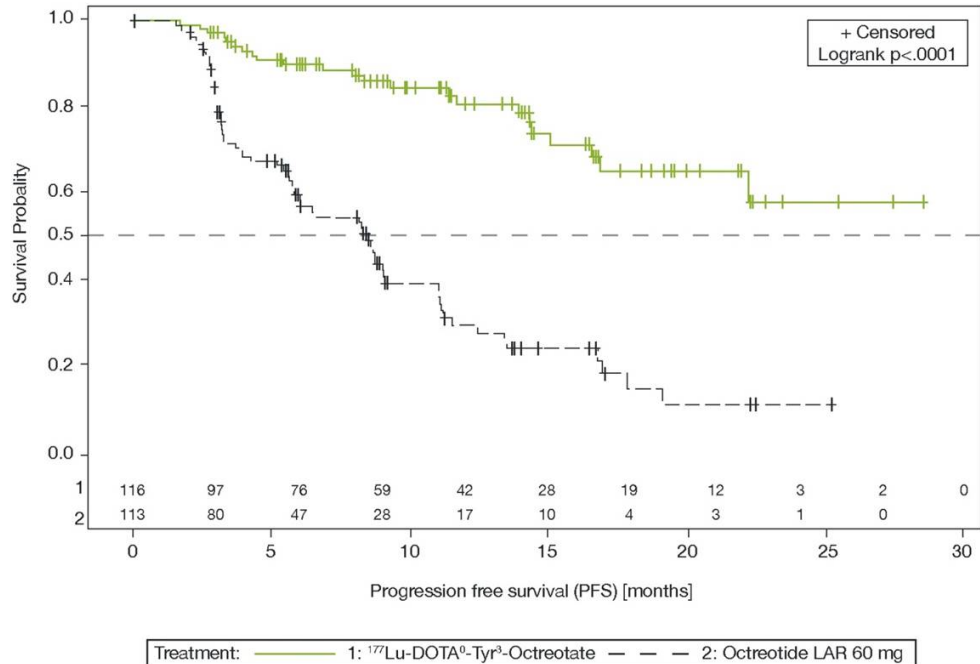
Progression-Free Survival

N = 229 (ITT)
Number of events: 91
¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate: 23
Oct 60 mg LAR: 68

Hazard ratio: **0.21**
[0.13 – 0.33]
p < 0.0001

79% reduction in the risk of
disease progression/death

Estimated Median PFS
in the Lu-DOTATATE arm
≈ 40 months



Median PFS in
Octreotide LAR
60mg was 8.4
months

All progressions centrally confirmed and
independently reviewed for eligibility (SAP)

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NETTER-1 Trial

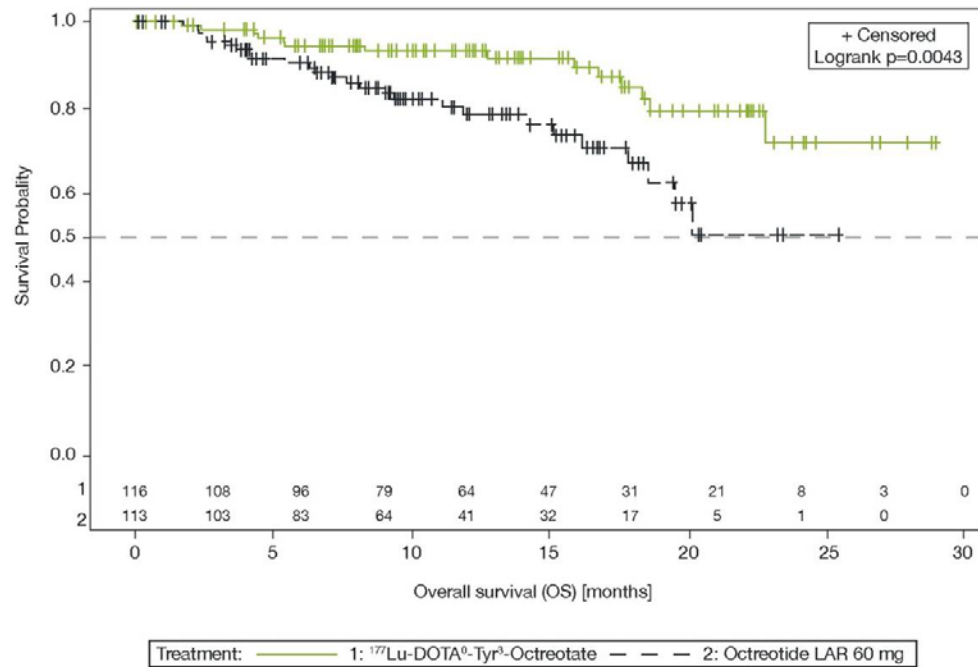


Overall Survival (interim analysis)

N = 229 (ITT)
Number of deaths: 40

¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate: 14
Oct 60 mg LAR: 26

Hazard ratio: **0.398**
[0.21 – 0.77]
P = 0.0043



All cases independently reviewed for eligibility (SAP)

Prespecified interim analysis significance level $p < 0.000085$

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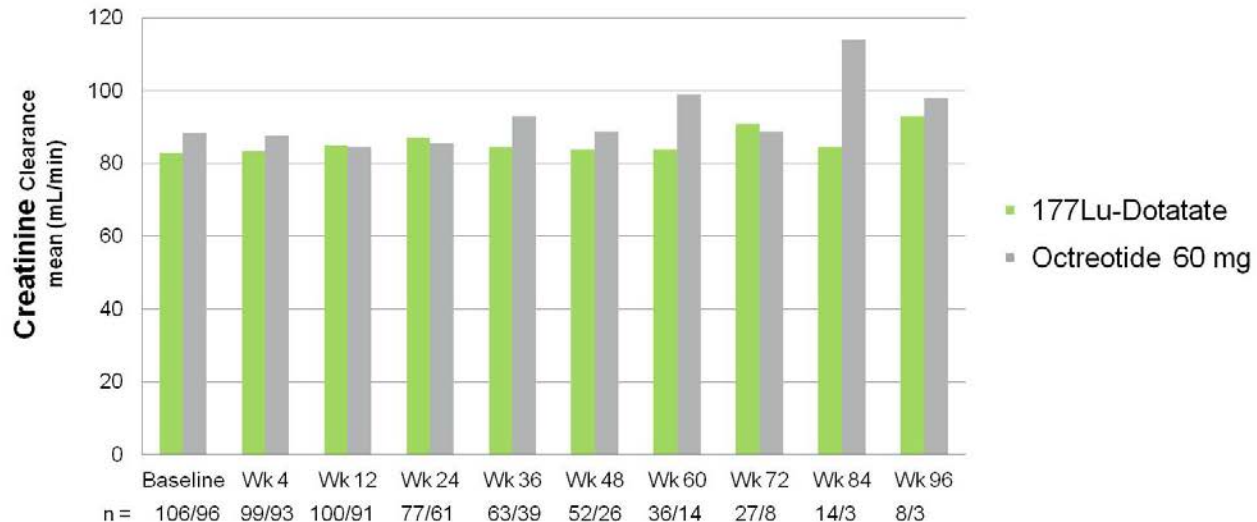


NETTER-1 Trial



Creatinine Clearance
Renal function remains stable over the 2-year observation period

	¹⁷⁷ Lu-Dotatate (N = 111)	Octreotide LAR (N = 110)
	Grade 3/4	Grade 3/4
Creatinine increased	0%	0%



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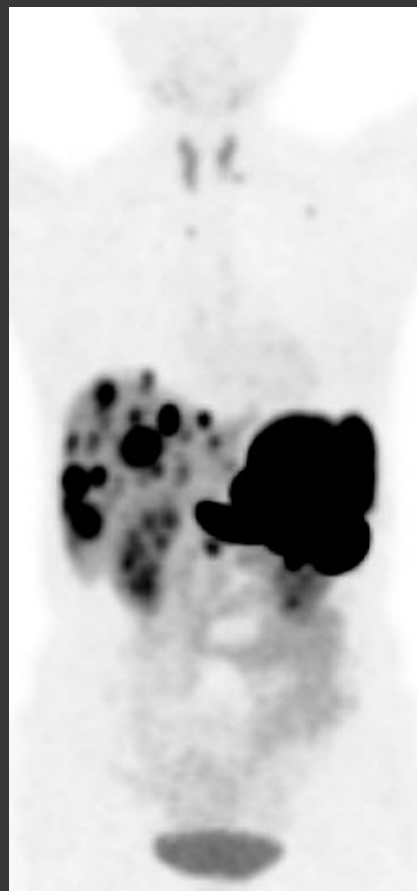
Summary and Conclusions

- Final analysis : In this first prospective randomized study in patients with progressive metastatic midgut NETs, ¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate was superior to Octreotide 60 mg in terms of:
 - PFS (Not Reached vs 8.4 months, $p < 0.0001$)
 - ORR (18% vs 3%, $p = 0.0008$)
- Interim analysis suggests increased OS (14 vs 26 deaths), to be confirmed by final analysis
- ¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate demonstrates a favorable safety profile, with no clinically relevant findings especially regarding hematological, renal and hepatic parameters
- Consistent benefits seen across prognostic subgroups
- While few treatment options are available for patients progressing under SSAs, ¹⁷⁷Lu-Dotatate has a major therapeutic benefit for this patient population

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F/44 Grade 2 pancreatic NET with multiple liver and mesenteric metastases (^{68}Ga -DOTATOC PET/CT scan)



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Baseline



07/2016

Post-op



09/2016

after 1st PRRT



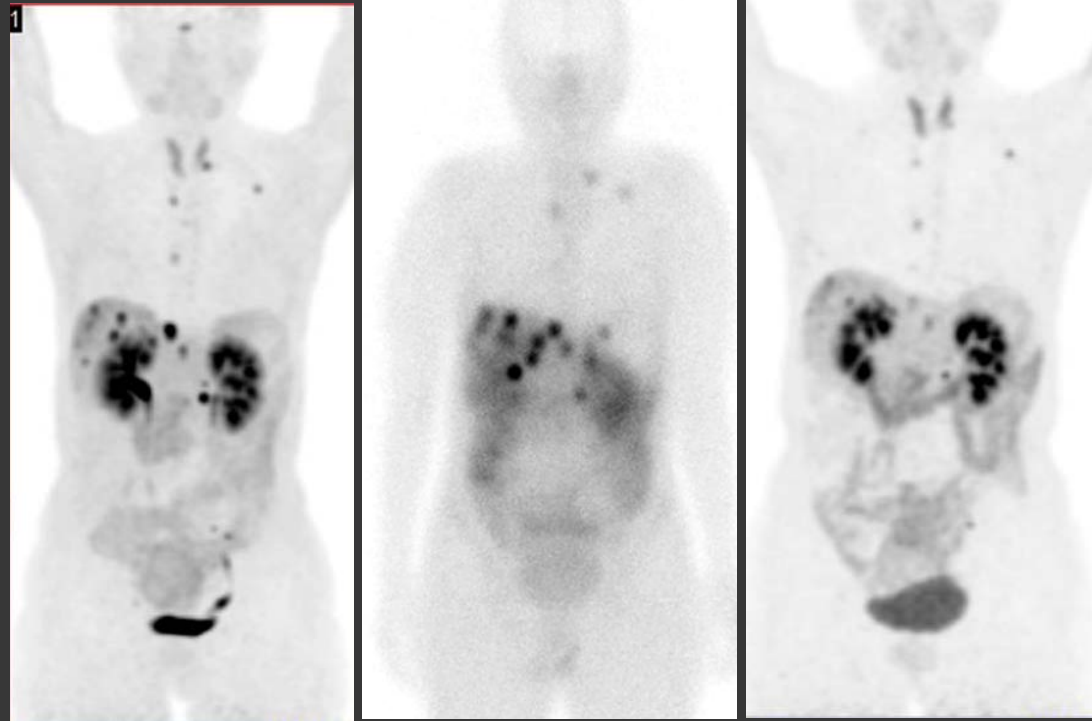
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after 2nd PRRT



F/44 pNET (glucagonoma) with nodal, liver & bone metastases

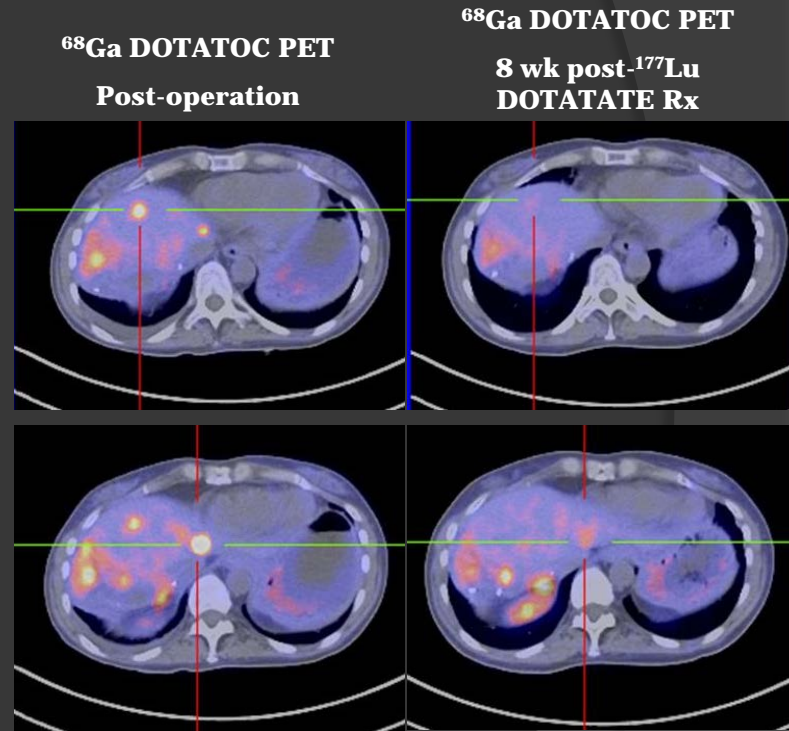
– 200mCi ^{177}Lu DOTATATE in 07/2016



^{68}Ga DOTATOC PET
Post-operation

^{177}Lu DOTATATE Rx
24 hr.

^{68}Ga DOTATOC PET
8 wk post- ^{177}Lu
DOTATATE Rx



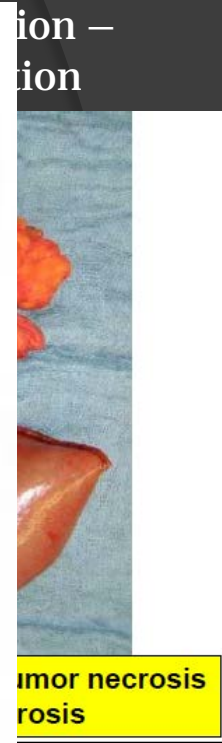
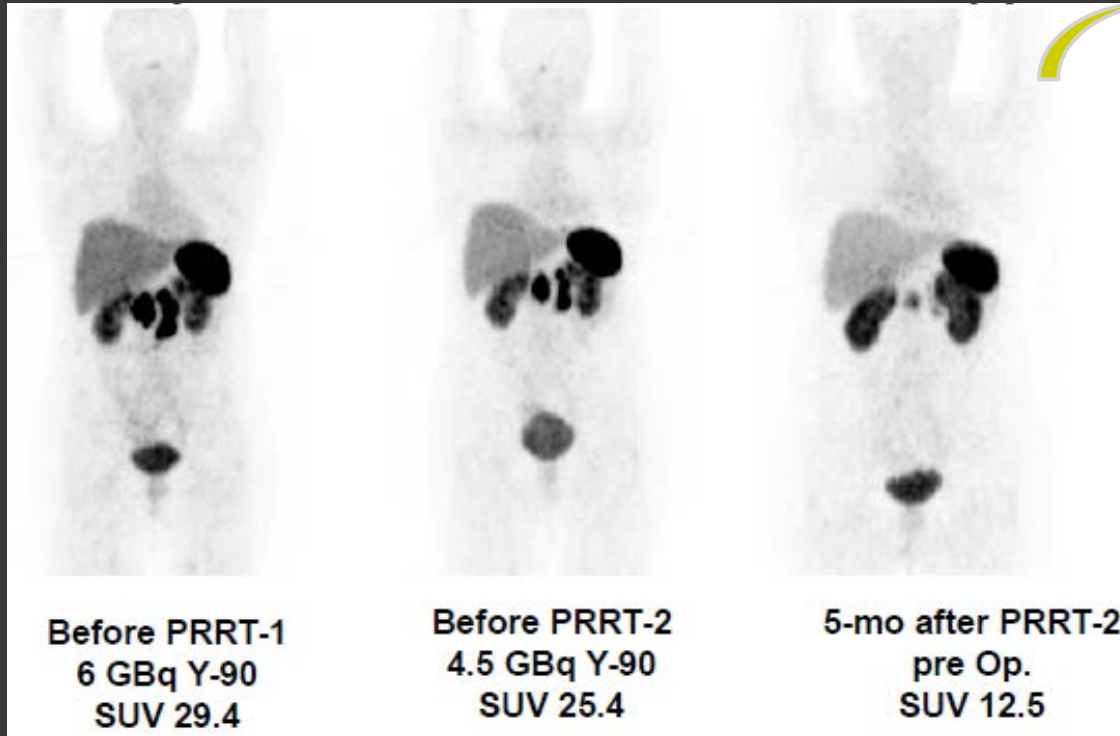
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	05/2015	06/2016	09/2016
Chromogranin A	317	400+	155



F/32 pNET G2 (inoperable, progressive)
– 160 + 120mCi ⁹⁰Y DOTATOC



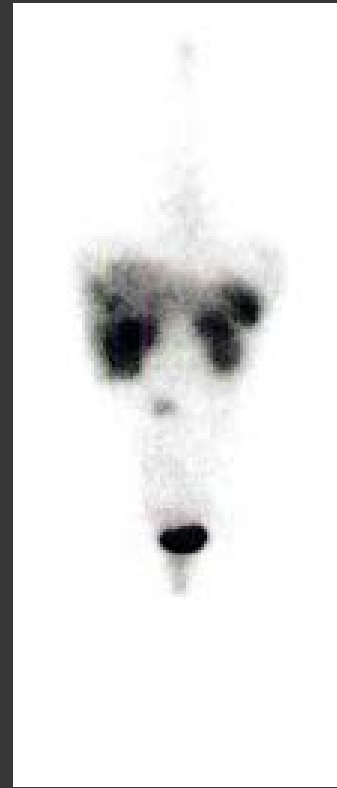
**F/47 eNET G2 with mesenteric & liver metastases
– 200mCi ^{177}Lu DOTATATE (12/2012; 03&10/2013 &
05/2014)**



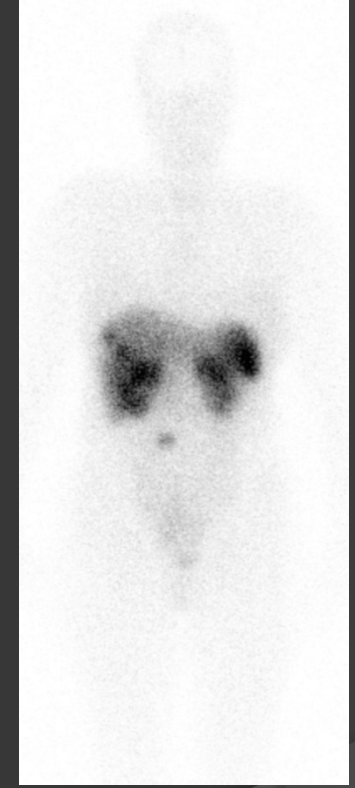
^{111}In -pentetreotide
(12/2012 Baseline)



^{111}In -pentetreotide
(09/2013 After 2 Tx)



^{111}In -pentetreotide
(10/2014 After 4 Tx)



^{111}In -pentetreotide
(05/2016 2 yr. after 4th Tx)

Stable disease with no significant progression



Conclusion

- ◎ PRRT is a new and valuable treatment modality for patients with inoperable or metastasized NETs.
- ◎ PRRT is well tolerated and acute side-effects are usually mild and self-limiting.
- ◎ PRRT compares favorably to other treatment modalities in terms of PFS and OS.



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