



The role of HDR boost in high risk prostate cancer

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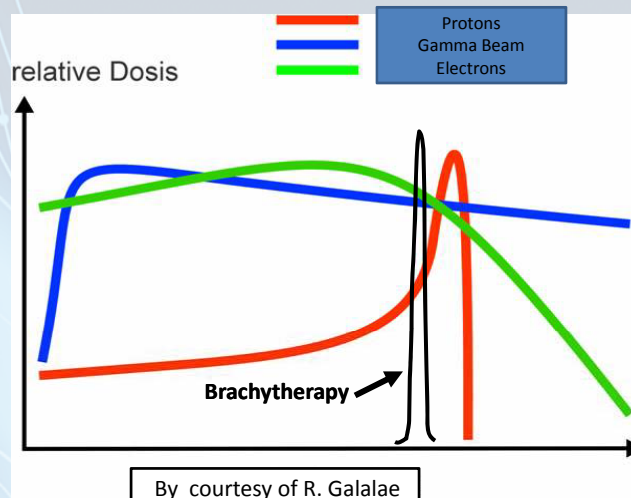
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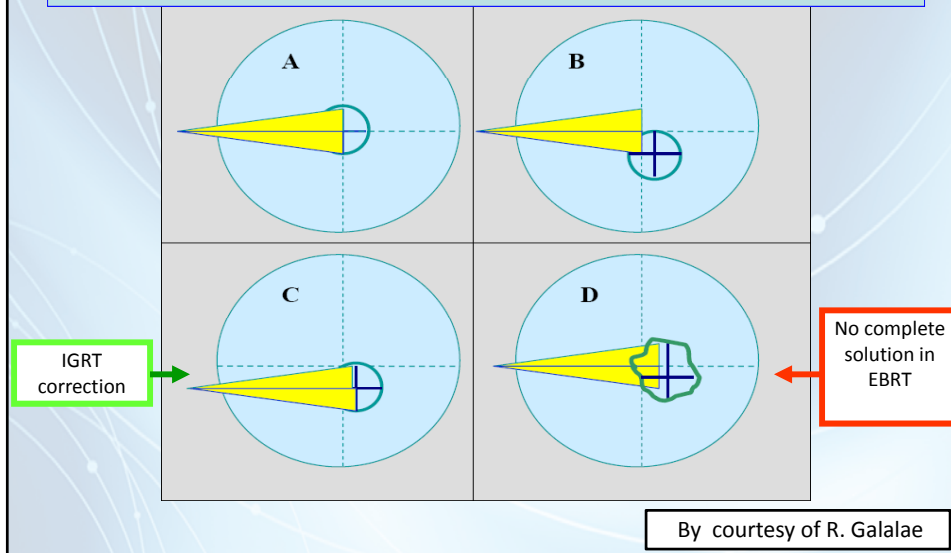
Conclusions:

Potential of Brachytherapy: Integral dose very low





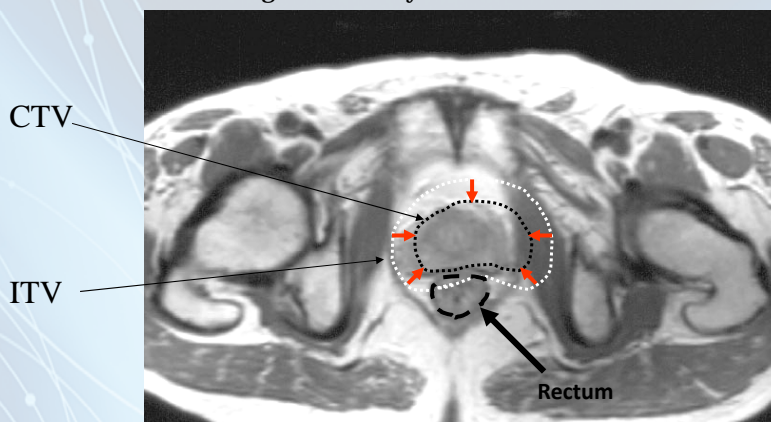
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Interstitial Brachytherapy for Prostate: CTV = PTV

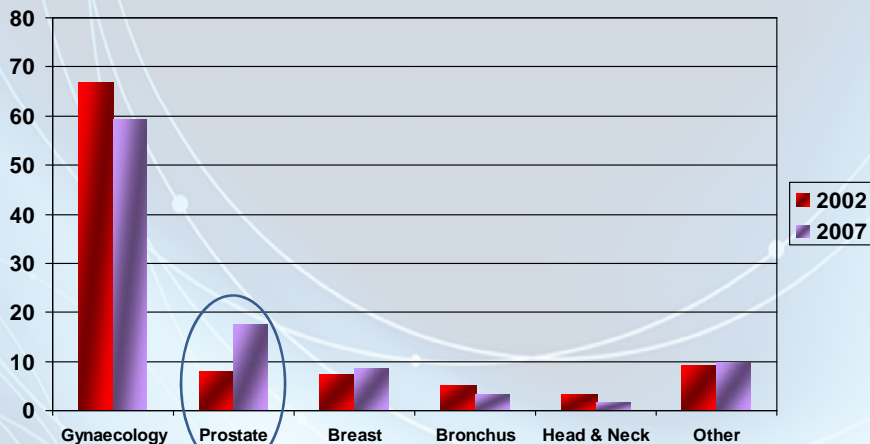
No margin necessary . Much smaller PTV



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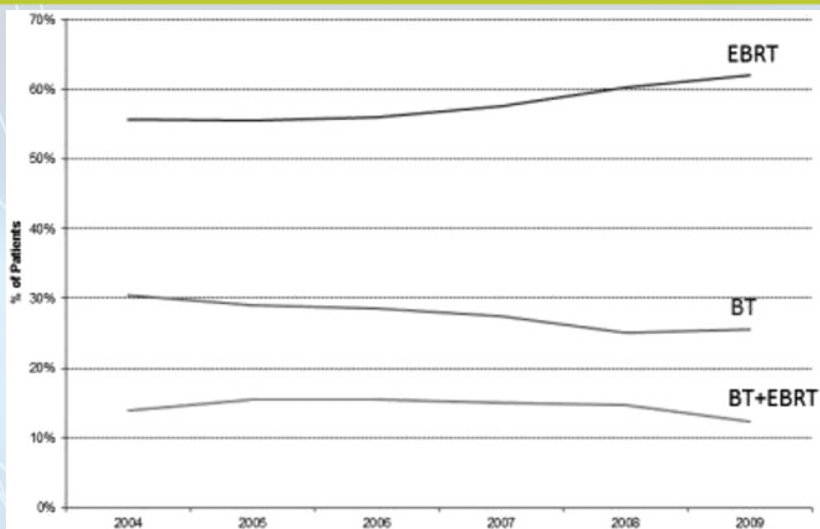


Evolution of prostate BT from 2002 to 2007 in Europe: PCBE survey



Guedea F., Venselaar J., Hoskin P., et al.,
Radiat. and Oncol. 97. 514-520. 2014.
Patterns of care for BT in Europe: Updated results.

Evolution of prostate BT from 2004 to 2009 in USA



U Mahmood U, Thomas Pugh T., et al.,
Declining use of brachytherapy for the treatment of prostate cancer.
Brachytherapy 13. 157-162. 2014.



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Comparison of HDR & LDR implants

| | High-dose-rate | Low-dose-rate |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|
| Conformal treatment | ++++ | ++++ |
| Target accuracy | ++++ | ++++ |
| Ability to treat extracapsular extension | ++++ | + |
| Ability to treat seminal vesicles | ++++ | ++ |
| Ease of control of radiation | ++++ | ++ |
| Lack of cold/hot spots | ++++ | ++ |
| Control of critical organ dose | ++++ | ++ |
| Modify dose distribution | ++++ | + |
| Need for external beam | Yes/Sometimes | No/Sometimes |
| Monotherapy | + | +++ |
| Experience of physician | Crucial | Crucial |
| Pre-planning dosimetry | Not needed | Extensive (TRUS) |
| Post implant dosimetry | Not needed | Extensive (CT) |
| Stages treated | All, T1-T3 | T1-T2 |
| Gland volume > 60 cc at time of implant | Less difficulty | More difficulty |
| Pubic arch interference at time of implant | Less of a problem | Can't be done |
| Prior TURP | Less of a problem | Can't always be done |
| Final Dose Verification | Pre-treatment | Post treatment |
| Symptom duration | Weeks | Months |

Skowronek J (Poland)
J Contempary Brachytherapy, 2013;5(1):33-41. LDR or HDR in treatment of prostate cancer



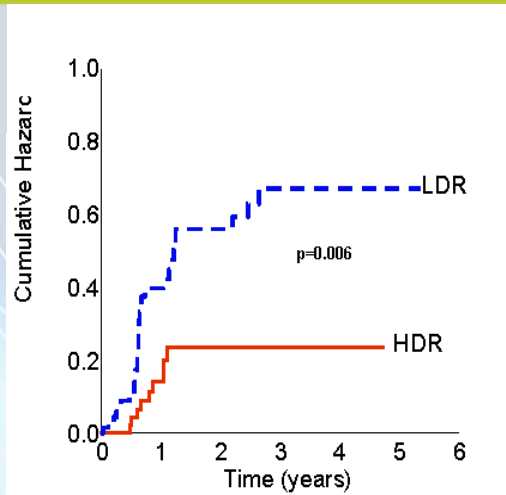
Erectile Dysfunction: HDR vs LDR (Pd103)

In a series of 330 pts from the Beaumont Hospital, monotherapy with HDR (4-6 fractions, 38-42 Gy, twice a day) has the same 4-year biochemical control that with LDR (97,5%).

The 4-y ED was 18,3% for HDR and 41,3% for LDR (p=0,006)

Martinez A., Ghilezan M., et al.,
Radiat. and Oncol. 71 (Supplement 2), S28, S52, S56, 2004.
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Results, Chronic toxicity, Erectile Dysfunction (ER)

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In prostate BT, other HDR advantages over seeds

- Ability to treat extracapsular extension.
- Ability to treat bigger prostate volumes.
- Ability to treat Seminal vesicles.
- Ability to treat all stages (T1-T3).
- Shorter duration of symptoms after procedure.

Guidelines for HDR BT in prostate cancer

| Author | Journal & Year | Title |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Kovacs et al. | Rad & Oncol. 2005. | GEC-ESTRO recommendations |
| Wojcieszek P., et al. | J Contemp BT. 2012. | guidelines overview |
| Yamada Y., et al. | Brachytherapy. 2012. | ABS Guidelines |
| Hoskin P., et al. | Rad & Oncol. 2013. | GEC/ESTRO recommendations: update |
| Hsu I., et al. | Brachytherapy. 2014. | ACR Guidelines |



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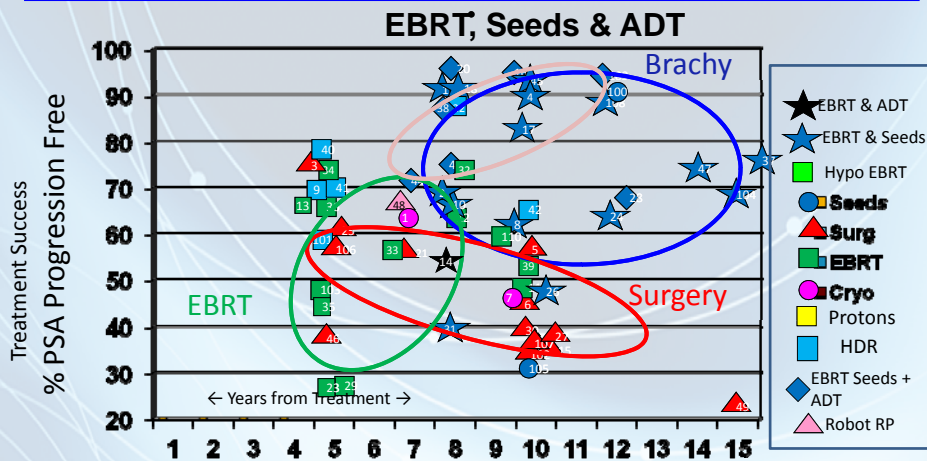
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High Risk Prostate Cancer results over 18000 papers identified during 2000 to 2010



Grimm P., et al. BJU Int. Vol 109 (Supp.1). 2012.



Boost with HDR in IR & HR Prostate cancer:

| Author | No. of patients | Median FU (months) | bNED (%) |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Eulau (2000) | 104 | 78 | 77 |
| Pellizzon (2003) | 119 | 41 | 75 |
| Martin (2003) | 102 | 31 | 82 |
| Martinez (2003) | 507 | 56 | 74 |
| Galalae (2004) | 611 | 60 | 77 (5y), 73 (10y) |
| Ares (2009) | 77 | 50 | 87 |
| Agoston (2011) | 100 | 61 | 84,2 (IR) & 81,6 (HR) |
| Prada (2012) | 313 | 71 | 79 |

Boost with HDR in high risk prostate cancer: Results of a multicentric study

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|---------------------------|------------------|
| | 611 patients |
| Center | |
| Beaumont Hospital (USA) | 309 |
| Seattle (USA) | 104 |
| Kiel University (Germany) | 198 |
| Median FU: 5 years | |
| bDFS at 5y: 77% | bDFS at 10y: 73% |



Boost with HDR in IR & HR:

- **Methods and Materials:** 280 pts have been treated with 60 Gy EBRT + HDR-BT boost for intermediate to high-risk prostate cancer (10 Gy). Among these, the outcome and toxicity of the first 100 patients treated with a single HDR-BT fraction were assessed.
- **Results:** Median FU was 61.5 months. 5y OS, cause-specific survival, disease-free survival, & bNED were 93.3%, 99.0%, 89.3%, and 85.5%, respectively. The 7-year actuarial rate of bNED was 84.2% for the intermediate risk and 81.6% for the high-risk
- **Conclusions:** 5y. outcome after 60Gy EBRT plus a single fraction of 10Gy HDR-BT boost is encouraging.

Ágoston P, Major T, Lövey J, Polgár C, et al. (Hungary)
Brachytherapy. 2011;10:376-84.

Moderate dose escalation with single-fraction HDR-BT boost for clinically localized intermediate- and high-risk prostate cancer: 5-year outcome of the first 100 consecutively treated patients

Boost with HDR in IR & HR:

- **Patients and Methods:** 313 patients with localized prostate cancer were treated with 46 Gy of EBRT to the pelvis with a HDR-BT boost. The median FU was 71 months
- **Results:** The 10-year actuarial biochemical control was 100% for patients with no high-risk criteria, 88% for patients with two intermediate-risk criteria, 91% with one high-risk criterion and 79% for patients with two to three high-risk criteria (P=0.004). The 10-year cancer-specific survival was 97%

Prada PJ, González H, et al (Spain)
BJU Int 2012 Jun;109(12):1787-93

Biochemical outcome after HDR intensity modulated brachytherapy with EBRT: 12 years of experience



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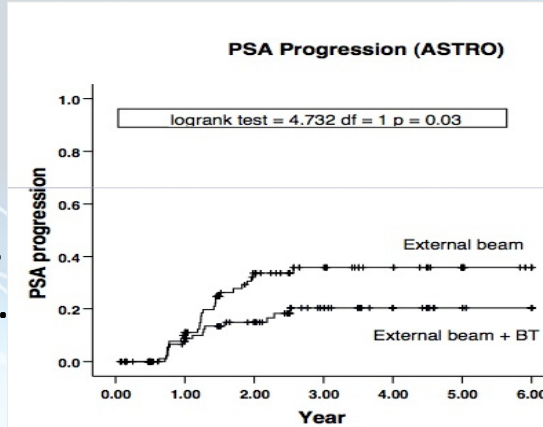
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Conclusions:

Results of a phase III trial of 220 pts (T1-T3): Moderate Hypofractionated EBRT (20 x 2,75 Gy) vs Moderate Hypofractionated EBRT (13 x 2,75 Gy) + HDR boost (2x8,5 Gy)

For high & intermediate risk a reduction of 31% of recurrence & similar toxicity in both arms.



Hoskin P., et al. Rad & Oncol. 114-120. 2007.

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Monotherapy with HDR in LR, IR & HR:

| | n | Median follow-up (months) | Biochemical disease-free survival by risk group | | | High dose rate dose/fraction |
|----------------|-----|---------------------------|---|--------------|------|----------------------------------|
| | | | Low | Intermediate | High | |
| Shah 2012 | 252 | 58 | 91% | 75% | | 38 Gy/4 |
| Hoskin 2012 | 25 | 60 | | | | 36 Gy/4 |
| | 30 | 54 | | 95% | 87% | 34 Gy/4 |
| | 109 | 34 | | | | 31.5 Gy/3 |
| | 33 | 6 | | | | 26 Gy/2 |
| Prada 2012 | 40 | 19 | 100% | 88% | | 19 Gy/1 |
| Rogers 2012 | 284 | 32 | | 94% | | 39 Gy/6 (2 implants) |
| Zamblogou 2013 | 718 | 53 | 95% | 93% | 93% | 39 Gy/4 – 34.5 Gy/3 |
| Barkati 2012 | 79 | 40 | 89% | 78% | | 30 Gy, 31.5 Gy, 33 Gy, 34.5 Gy/3 |
| Yoshioka 2011 | 112 | 65 | 85% | 93% | 79% | 54 Gy/9 |
| Demanes 2011 | 298 | 62 | 97% | | | 42 Gy/6 (2 implants) or 38 Gy/4 |

Morton G., & Hoskin P,
Clinical Oncology 2013



Monotherapy with HDR in IR & HR:

- **Material & Methods:** A total of 197 patients were treated with 34 Gy in four fractions, 36 Gy in four fractions, 31.5 Gy in three fractions, or 26 Gy in two fractions. Median FU was 60, 54, 36, and 6 months.
- **Results:** At 3 years, 99% of patients with intermediate-risk and 91% with high-risk disease were free of biochemical relapse (p= 0.02).
- **Conclusions:** There was no significant difference in urinary and rectal morbidity between schedules. Biochemical control of disease in patients with intermediate and high risk of relapse was good.

Hoskin P, et al (UK)

Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys. 2012;82(4):1376-84.
HDR brachytherapy alone for localized prostate cancer
in patients at moderate or high risk of biochemical recurrence

Monotherapy with HDR in LR, IR & HR:

- **Methods and Materials:** Between 2002 &2009, 718 pts with localized prostate cancer were treated with HDR monotherapy. 3 treatment protocols were applied; 141 patients received 38.0 Gy using one implant in 4 fractions of 9.5 Gy; 351 patients received 38.0 Gy in 4 fractions of 9.5 Gy, using 2 implants (2 weeks apart) and 226 patients received 34.5 Gy, using 3 single-fraction implants of 11.5 Gy (3 weeks apart).
- **Results:** Median FU was 52.8 months. The 36, 60, & 96 month biochemical control and metastasis-free survival rates were 97%, 94%, and 90% and 99%, 98%, & 97%.
- **Conclusion:** HDR monotherapy is safe & effective.

Zamboglou N, Baltas D, Martin T, et al (Germany)

Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys. 2013;85(3):672-8
HDR interstitial brachytherapy as monotherapy for clinically
localized prostate cancer: treatment evolution and mature results



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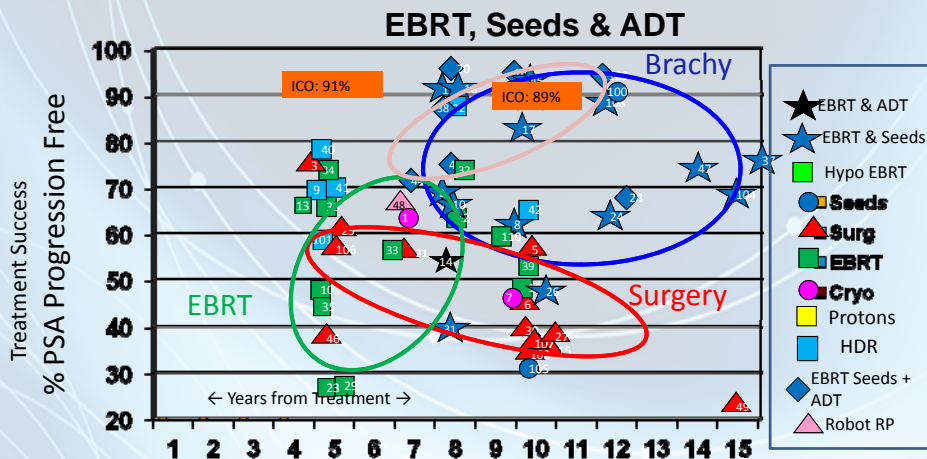
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Results of 377 pts with High Risk Prostate cancer treated with EBRT (60 Gy) + HDR-BT (9 Gy) + AD 3y at ICO. Median FU: 48,7 months.



Boladeras A., Guedea F., Submitted to R & Oncol.

Grimm P., et al. BJU Int. Vol 109 (Supp.1). 2012.



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- 1.HDR-BT is more cost effective than seeds.**
- 2.Results for HDR boost in high risk patients are excellent & well established (with one Phase III trial).**
- 3.Results for HDR monotherapy in LR, IR & HR are promising.**
- 4.HDR Prostate BT is gaining in popularity.**
- 5.HDR Prostate BT is getting more widely used.**

Modified from Skowronek J (Poland)
J Contemporary Brachytherapy. 2013;5(1):33-41
Low-dose-rate or high-dose-rate brachytherapy in
treatment of prostate cancer – between options