



# LIMITED STAGE SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER

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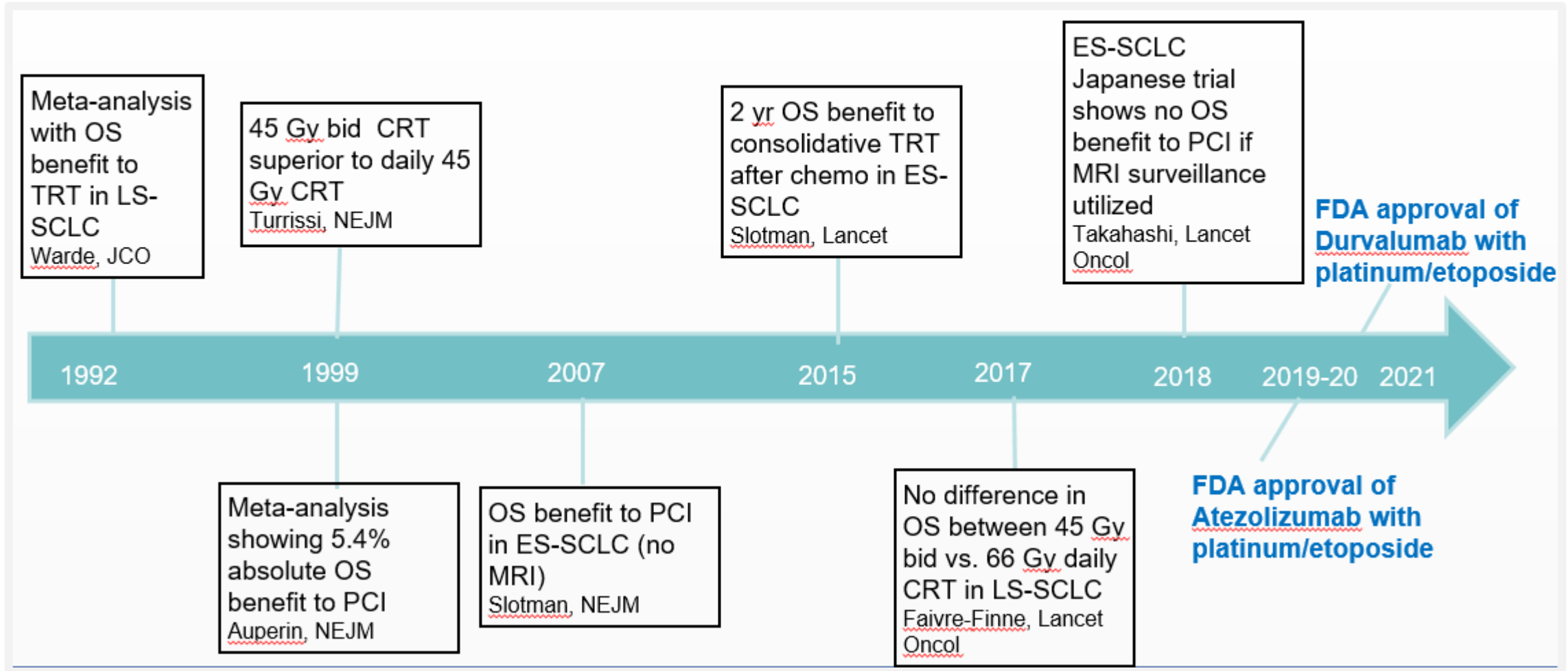
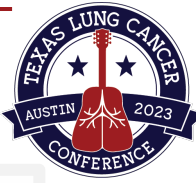
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# Historical Context of Radiation in SCLC



# Limited Stage Small Cell Lung Cancer: Current State

**Standard of care is currently platinum/etoposide + thoracic radiation followed by prophylactic cranial irradiation**

**45 Gy bid or 66-70 Gy daily RT + 4 cycles platinum/etoposide**

**5 year survival is 25-30% with this approach**

**In the U.S., only 55% of LS-SCLC patients are receiving curative therapy with chemotherapy + radiation<sup>1</sup>**

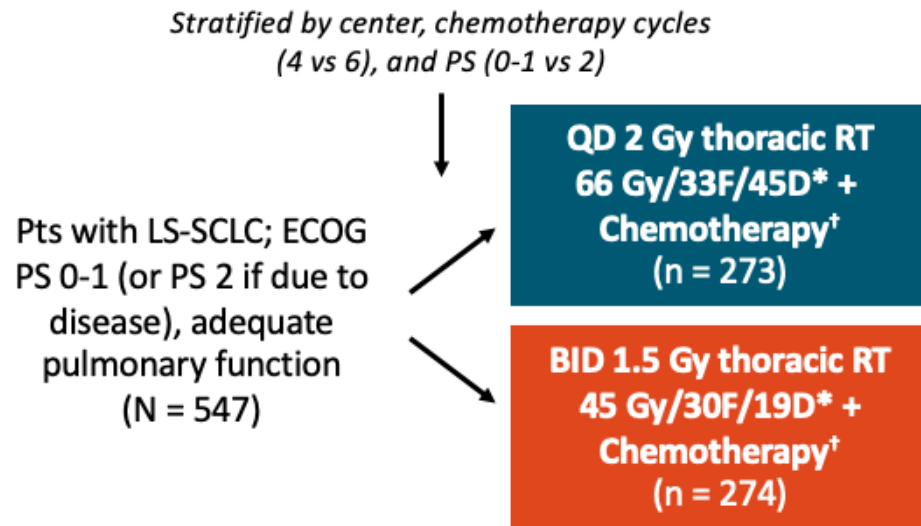
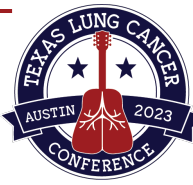
**How can we improve outcomes for our LS-SCLC patients?**

RT + IO combinations



<sup>1</sup>Chun SG et al, JAMA Onc 2018

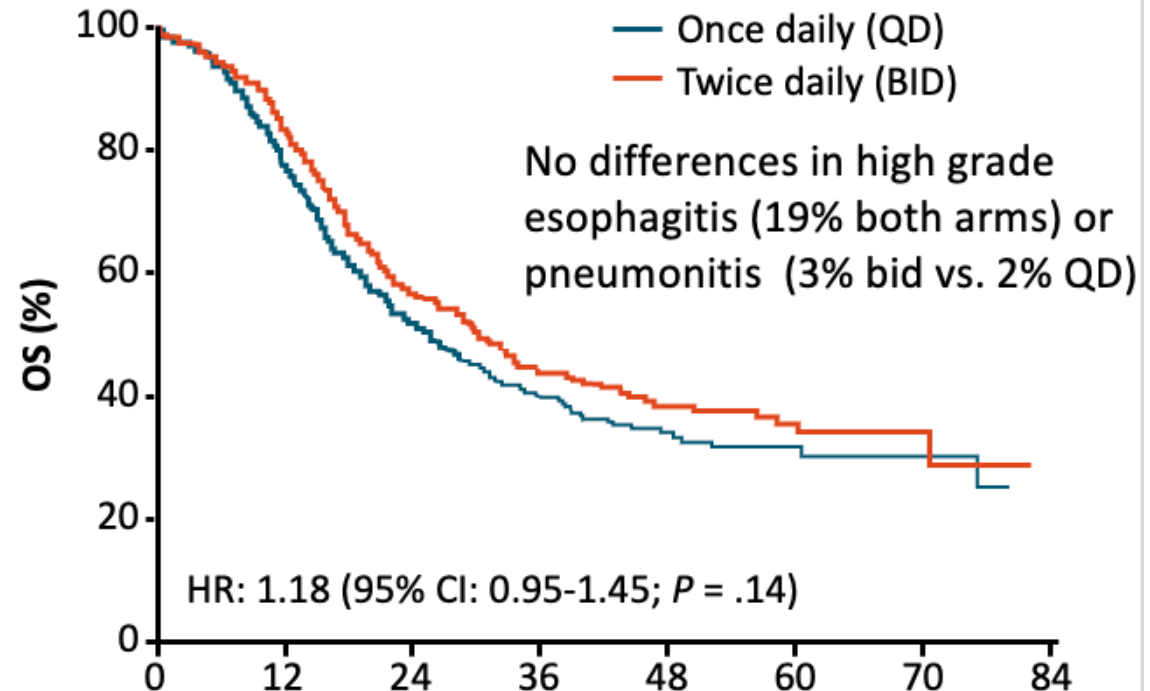
# CONVERT Phase III Trial: to Determine Optimal RT Dose Schedule in LS-SCLC



\*RT started on Day 22 after starting chemotherapy.

<sup>†</sup>Cisplatin 25 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on Days 1-3 or cisplatin 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on Day 1 and etoposide 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on Days 1-3 for 4 or 6 cycles Q3W.

- Powered to detect a 12% OS benefit in daily RT arm



Patients at Risk, n (n censored)

Once daily	270	202 (5)	134 (6)	88 (23)	46 (53)	21 (75)	7 (88)	3 (91)
Twice daily	273	224 (3)	151 (4)	92 (31)	54 (60)	25 (85)	6 (104)	2 (107)

Faivre-Finn. Lancet Oncol. 2017;18:1116.

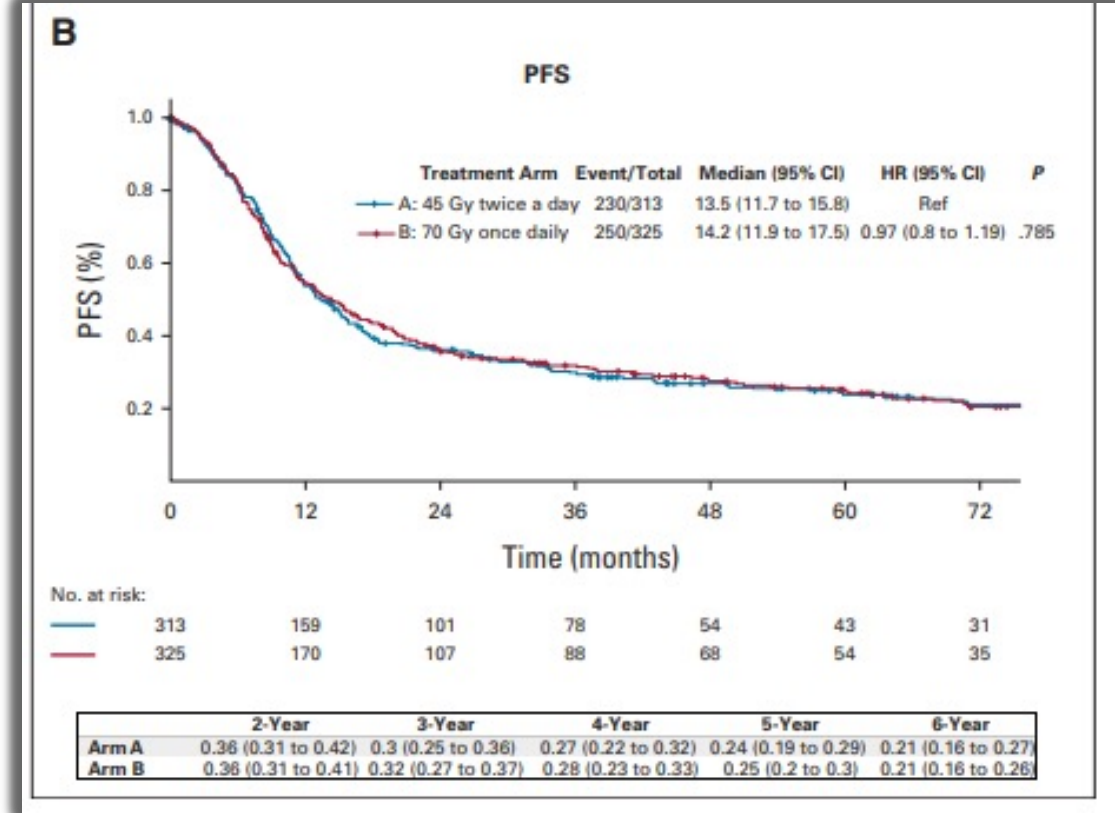
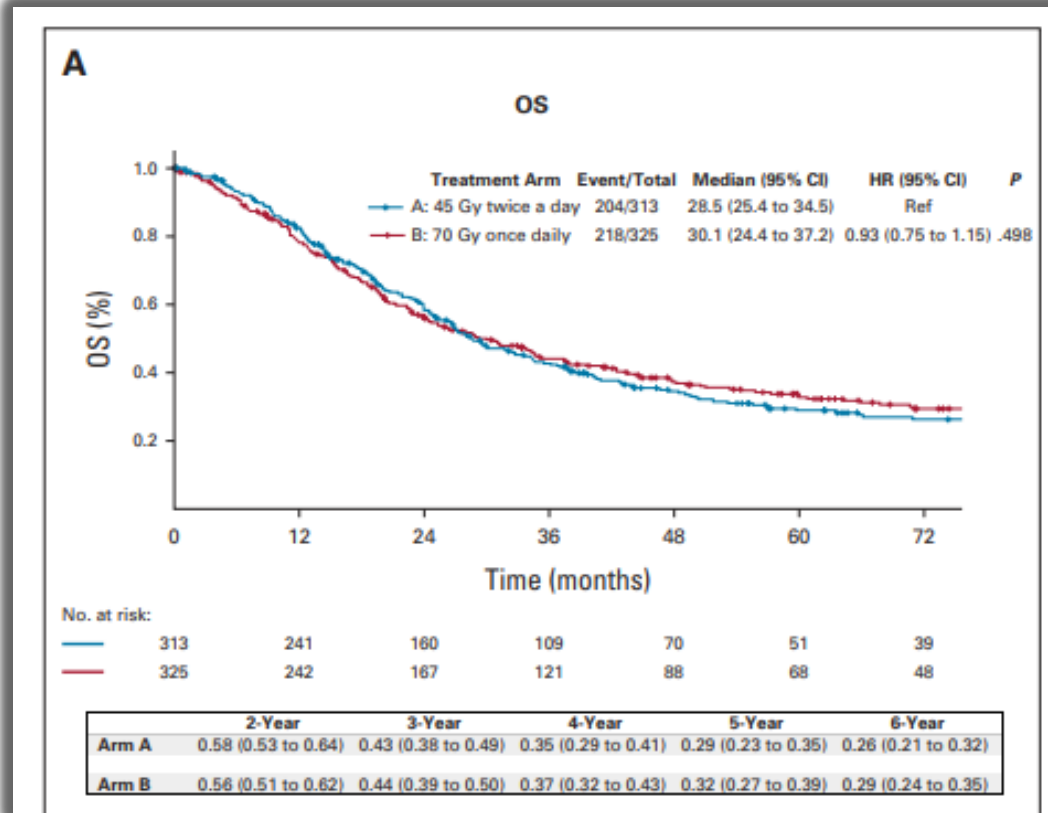
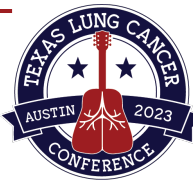
# Learnings from CONVERT: Secondary Analyses

- Secondary analysis of pts  $\geq 70$  years showed similar esophagitis and pneumonitis rates, hematologic toxicity slightly increased in elderly patients  
Fewer elderly pts completed prescribed RT (73% vs. 85%). No differences in chemotherapy compliance<sup>1</sup>
- TNM classification applied to CONVERT pts, with OS of stage I-II compared with III, median OS of 50 vs. 25 months<sup>2</sup>
- Impact of PET/CT staging – no differences in OS and PFS in pts staged with or without PET/CT<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Christodoulou et al, JTO 2019, <sup>2</sup>Salem et al, JAMA Oncol 2019, <sup>3</sup>Manoharan et al, JTO 2019



638 pts accrued from 2008-2019



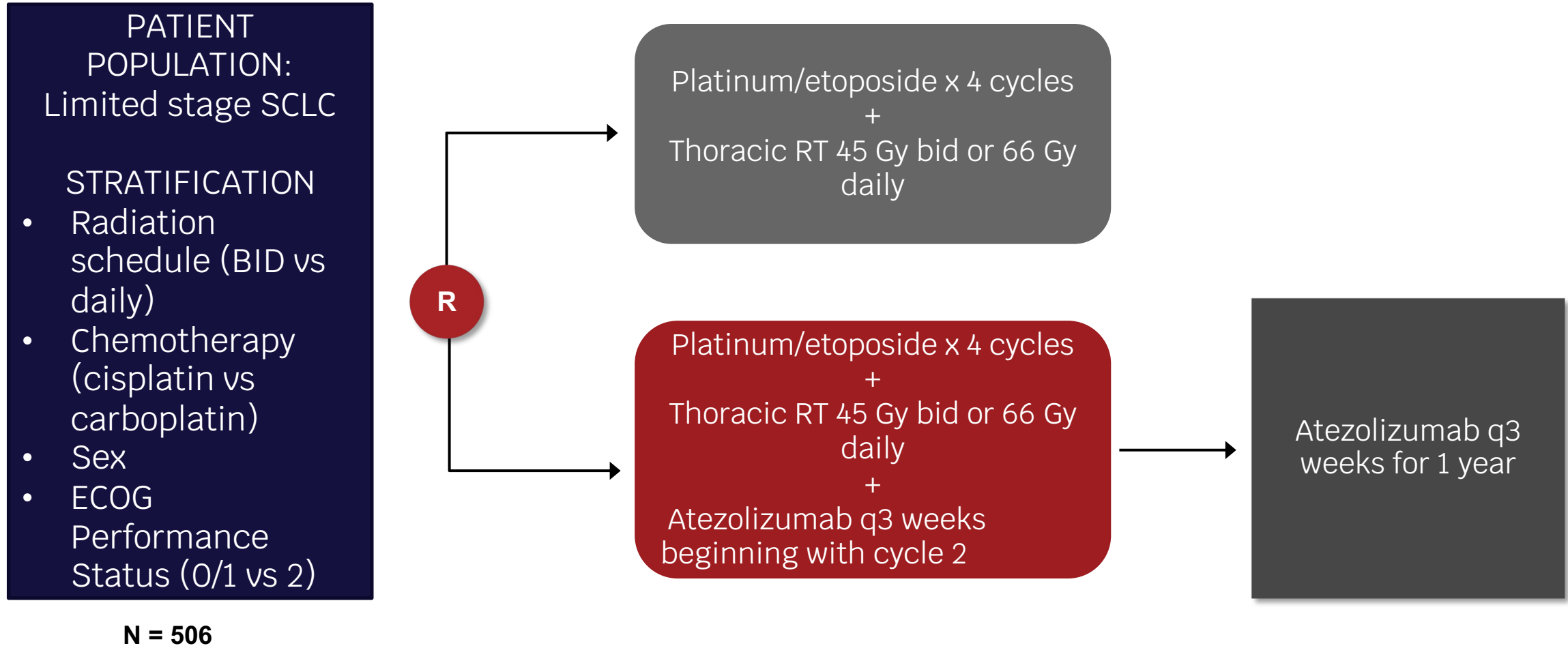
- 45 Gy BID vs. 70 Gy daily RT + cisplatin or carboplatin and etoposide
- ECOG 0-2, stratified by gender, PS, TRT technique, > 5% weight loss prior 6 months
- Primary objective to determine whether 70 Gy will improve OS

Bogart et al, JCO 2023

- This is the first NCI funded trial to test the utility of immunotherapy in LS-SCLC
- Atezolizumab is the first new drug to become FDA approved for the treatment of ES-SCLC in the last several decades
- We are hopeful that using immunotherapy in the treatment of earlier stages of small cell will cure more patients

LU005 launched in 6/2019 and met accrual in 6/2022

# NRG-LU005: Phase II/III randomized study of chemoradiation vs. chemoradiation plus atezolizumab





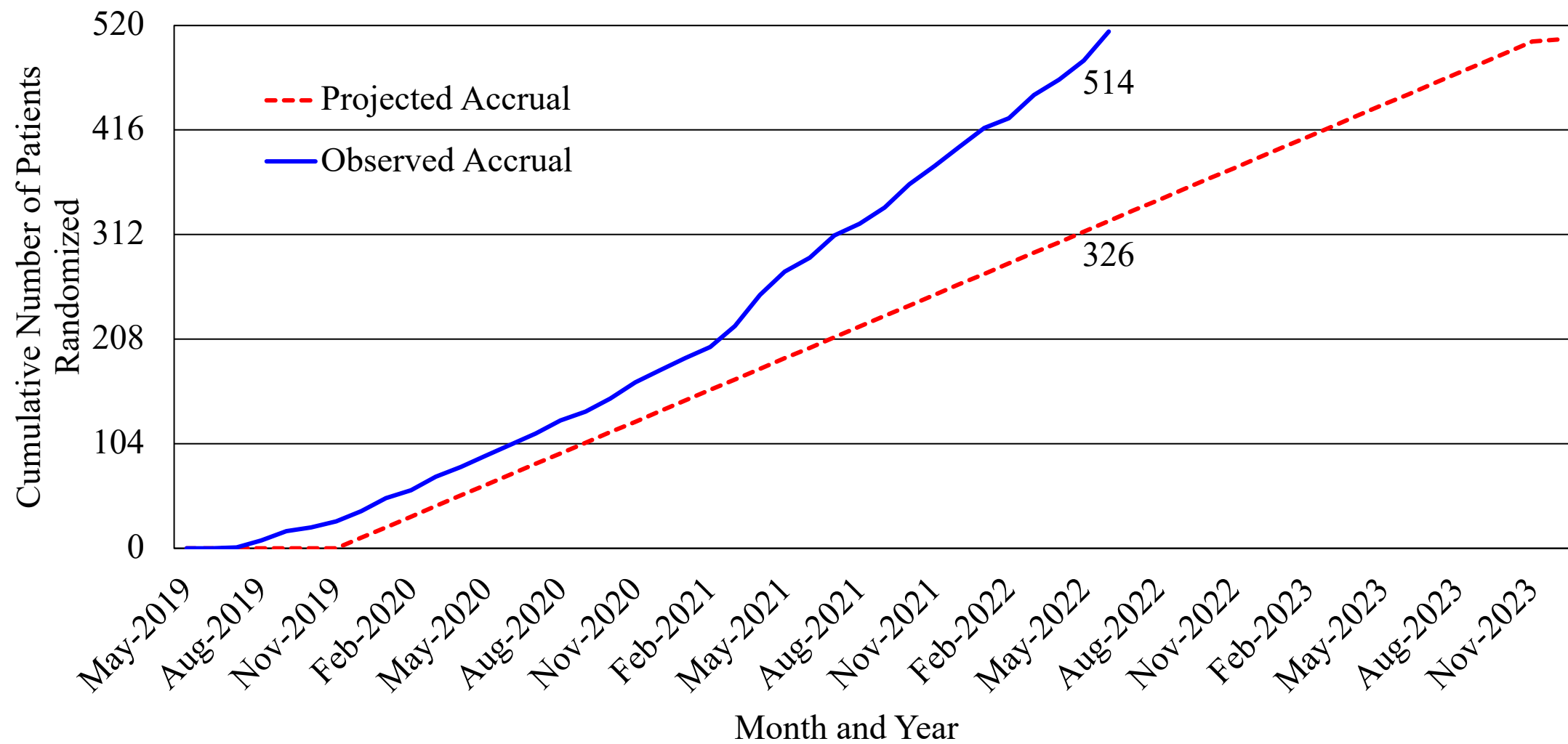
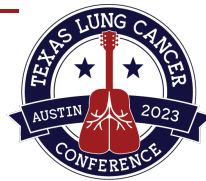
- **Phase II primary endpoint is PFS**

- HR of .62 is hypothesized for PFS (improving median PFS from 13 to 21 months)
- Sample size of 280, projected that final PFS analysis to occur 38 months after study initiation
- Interim Futility Analysis with both objectives below required to be met to move to phase III:
  - When 140 PFS events available, the HR for PFS needs to be less than 0.84
  - When at least 79 deaths available, HR for OS  $< 1.46$

- **Phase III primary endpoint is OS**

- HR of 0.71 hypothesized for OS, median OS will improve from 27 to 38 months
- Total sample size of 506

# Actual vs Projected Accrual : NRG LU005



# ADRIATIC STUDY: Phase III trial of consolidation Durvalumab, Durvalumab + Tremelimumab or Placebo in limited-stage SCLC after chemo-radiotherapy

## Key Eligibility Criteria

- Histologically confirmed SCLC
- Untreated limited-stage disease (I-IIIB)
- ECOG PS  $\leq 1$

4 Cycles Chemo +  
Thoracic RT +  
PCI

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1:1:1

Durvalumab  
+  
Placebo

Durvalumab  
+  
Tremelimumab

Placebo  
+  
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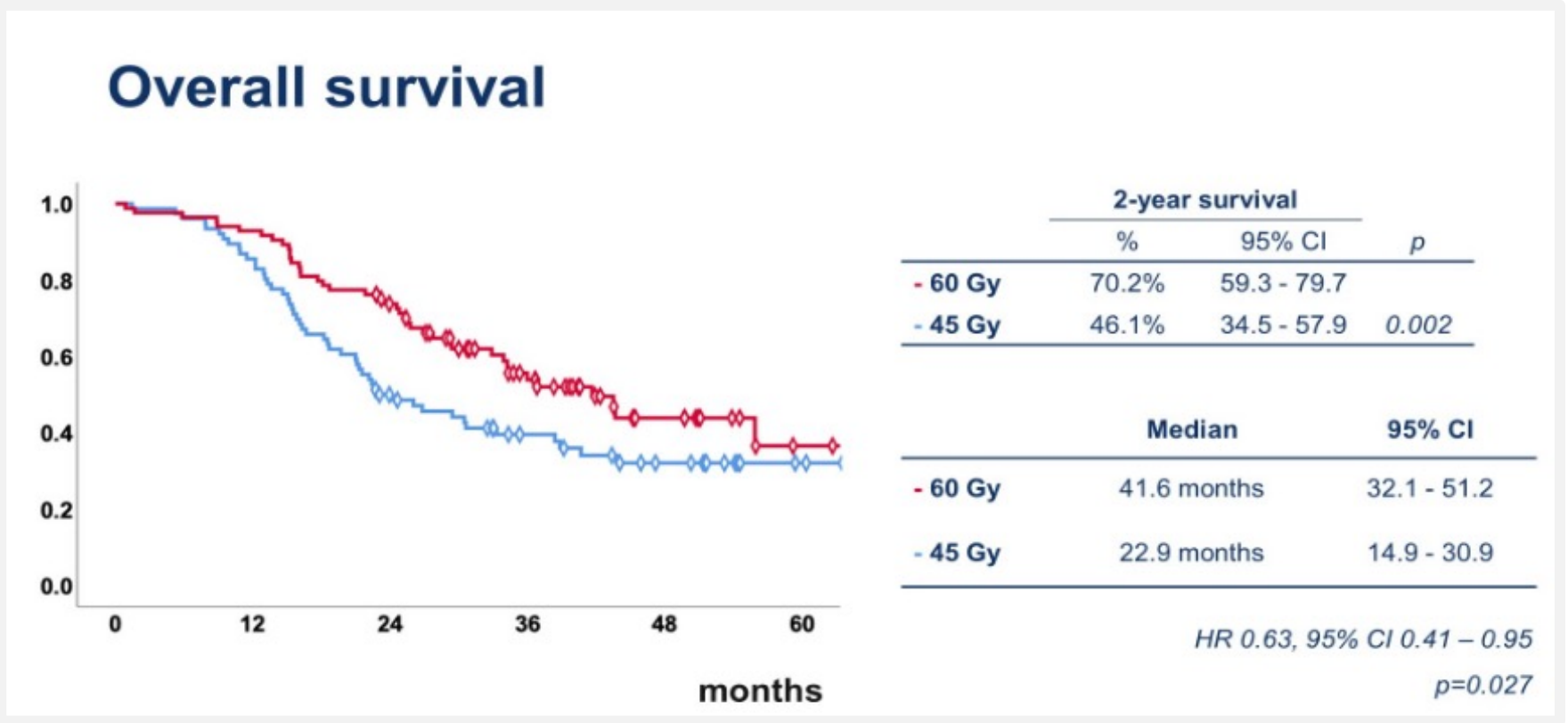
## Stratification

- Stage I/II vs. III
- PCI Y vs. No

# Dose Escalation in LS-SCLC: Dutch Study



Phase II RCT of 45 Gy bid vs. 60 Gy bid (PCI for responders)  
 Primary endpoint 2 yr OS  
 176 pts enrolled from 2014-18



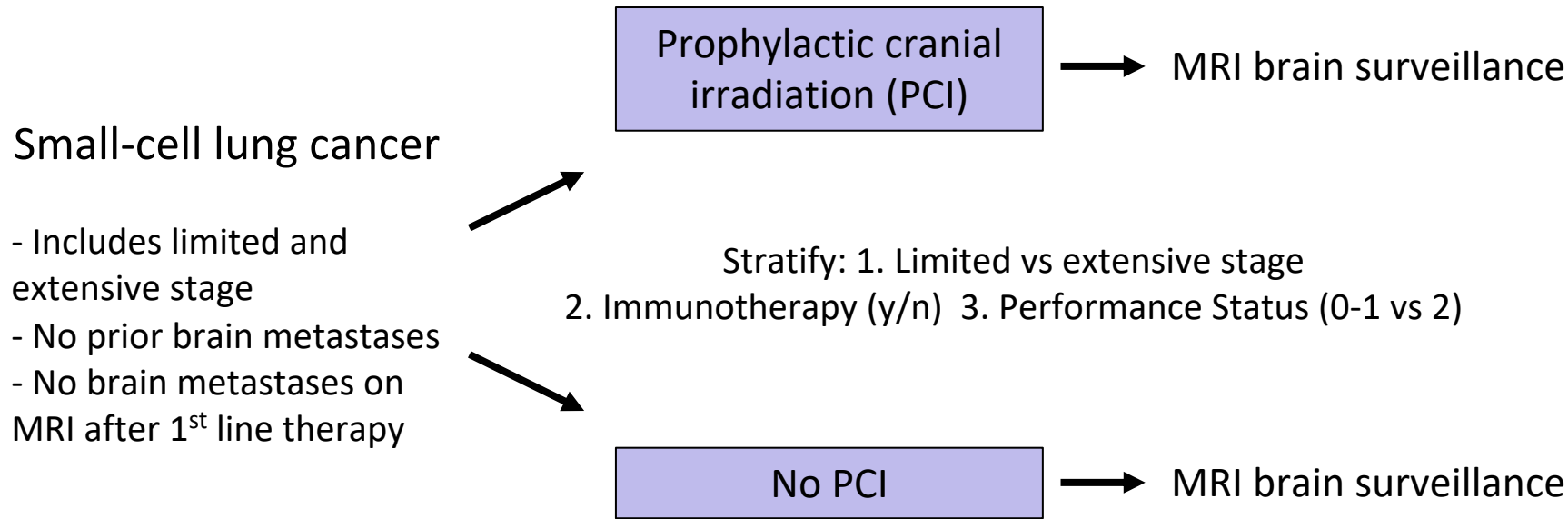
No differences in grade ≥ 3 esophagitis or pneumonitis

No difference in response rates or median PFS

2 yr OS significantly improved in 60 Gy arm

Gronberg et al, ASCO 2020

# MAVERICK (SWOG 1827): MRI Brain Surveillance Alone Versus MRI Surveillance and Prophylactic Cranial Irradiation: A Randomized Phase III Trial in Small-Cell Lung Cancer



- MRI brain surveillance scheduled at 3, 6, 9, 12, 18, 24 months
- Radiation therapy is recommended at the time of brain metastases (WBRT and SRS allowed)
- Hippocampal-avoidance PCI and WBRT are allowed

## Primary Endpoint

- Overall survival (non-inferiority)

## Secondary Endpoints

- Cognitive function
- QOL
- OS in limited and extensive stage
- Brain metastases free survival
- Toxicity

## Translational Endpoints

- Longitudinal brain MRI changes
- ctDNA correlation to PFS, OS

Accrual goal: 668 patients

PI: Drs. Chad Rusthoven and Paul Brown

# Conclusions



- We are finally seeing progress in this recalcitrant disease
- We await RT + IO combo trials
  - NRG LU005 and Adriatic
- There is still much work to do → many patients not offered curative therapy
- Need deployment of biomarkers in next generation of LS-SCLC trials