

# Randomized trial on chest irradiation in extensive disease small cell lung cancer

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to evaluate the role of thoracic irradiation in patients with ED-SCLC who respond to chemotherapy and to assess the effect on 1 year survival

<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Completed
<b>Health condition type</b>	Respiratory and mediastinal neoplasms malignant and unspecified
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON38229

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

CREST

## Condition

- Respiratory and mediastinal neoplasms malignant and unspecified

### Synonym

lung cancer, small cell lung cancer

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Er is een subsidie voor datamanagement ondersteuning van het Koningin Wilhelmina fonds

## Intervention

**Keyword:** irradiation, radiotherapy, small cell lung cancer

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

1 year survival

### Secondary outcome

toxicity

pattern of recurrent disease

## Study description

### Background summary

Chemotherapy is the cornerstone in the treatment of extensive disease small cell lung cancer (ED-SCLC), and four to six cycles of chemotherapy without maintenance therapy is current standard. However, survival in patients presenting with ED-SCLC is poor and has shown little improvement in the past few decades.

The notable exception was the survival benefit reported in a phase III EORTC trial evaluating prophylactic cranial irradiation (PCI) versus no PCI following any response to induction chemotherapy. Symptomatic brain metastases were significantly more frequent in controls (40% versus 15%), more of whom also died of SCLC (80% versus 68%). More patients in the PCI arm also received salvage chemotherapy at the time of disease recurrence. PCI is the new standard of care in all patients with SCLC who respond to chemotherapy.

Intrathoracic tumor control is a major problem in ED-SCLC. Over 75% of patients have persisting intra-thoracic disease after initial chemotherapy, and about 90% manifest intra-thoracic disease progression at 1 year after completing initial chemotherapy. In a trial reported by Jeremic et al., patients with ED-SCLC who had a complete response at sites of distant disease, were randomized to thoracic radiotherapy. The reported median and 5-year survivals, was far higher than has been reported by any other group for ED-SCLC. This study has not yet been repeated.

In the absence of promising systemic agents that can improve local response, a logical step would be to evaluate the role of thoracic irradiation in patients with ED-SCLC who respond to chemotherapy and to assess the effect on 1 year

survival.

### **Study objective**

to evaluate the role of thoracic irradiation in patients with ED-SCLC who respond to chemotherapy and to assess the effect on 1 year survival

### **Study design**

This is a multicenter phase III randomized trial. Patients with cytologically or histologically proven ED small cell lung cancer will be treated with chemotherapy.

Patients with a response will receive prophylactic cranial irradiation and will be randomized to receive either thoracic irradiation or no further therapy

### **Intervention**

thoracic irradiation

### **Study burden and risks**

No extra hospital visits or interventions. Risk for extra toxicity due to thoracic irradiation

## **Contacts**

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## **Trial sites**

## Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

18 years or older

Cytologically or histologically proven small cell lung cancer

Documented extensive disease before the start of chemotherapy

Any response after 4 to 6 cycles of initial chemotherapy

### Exclusion criteria

prior radiotherapy to the brain or the thorax

evidence of brain metastases or leptomeningeal metastases, pleural metastases or pleuritis

carcinomatosa

## Study design

### Design

Study phase: 3

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status:	Completed
Start date (anticipated):	18-02-2009
Enrollment:	412
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	11-12-2008
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Amsterdam UMC
Approved WMO	
Date:	21-02-2012
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	METC Amsterdam UMC

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL24556.029.08