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# Hypofractionated Versus Standard Fractionated Radiotherapy in Patients With Early Breast Cancer or Ductal Carcinoma In Situ in a Randomized Phase III Trial: The DBCG HYPO Trial

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# Ingen interessekonflikter



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# Baggrund DBCG HYPO

Moderat hypofraktionering 36-42 Gy / 12 fr DBCG standard indtil 1982

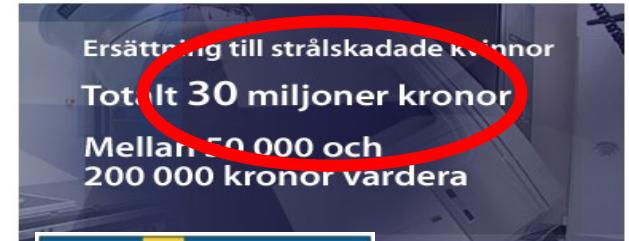


Strålebehandling 1980  
Foto 2010,  
30 år senere

## Besvär efter åtta år

En av de drabbade, Marianne Mosserud, berättade för Aktuellt om hur besvären i armen som började åtta år efter bröstoperationen nu gör henne allt mer handikappad.

-Jag kan ju inte lyfta ett papper ens. Jag kan inte knipa ihop med fingrarna. Jag kan inte.  
Är det nänting som jag ska bärta, så får jag ta det i munnen.  
Och det är ju svårt med tunga saker...  
Ett papper kan man ju ta, nänn filt eller så, berättade Marianne.



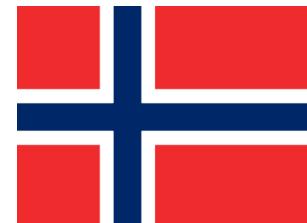
## Komiteens tilråding

Komiteen viser for øvrig til proposisjonen og det som står foran, og rår Stortinget til å gjøre følgende

### vedtak:

I statsbudsjettet for 1998 gjøres følgende endring:

Kap. 739	Andre utgifter			
73 (ny)	Erstatning for stråleskader, kan overføres,			
	bevilges med	kr	85000000	



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## Positive resultater fra

- Canada (2002)
- UK START Trials A & B (2008)
- Moderne RT teknikker
- Ventelister lange



Dårlige DBCG erfaringer før 1982

Begrænsede data fra patienter med

- boost
- stor bryststørrelse
- moderne systemisk behandling



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# Formål DBCG HYPO

## Formål

- Reintroducere moderat hypofraktioneret adjuverende bryst strålebehandling (RT) til lymfeknude-negative brystkræftpatienter på en kontrolleret og systematisk måde i Danmark

## Hypotese

- Brug af 40 Gy / 15 fr (2.67 Gy / fr) ved brystbestråling resulterer ikke i mere grad 2-3 fasthed i brystet efter 3 år sammenlignet med 50 Gy / 25 fr

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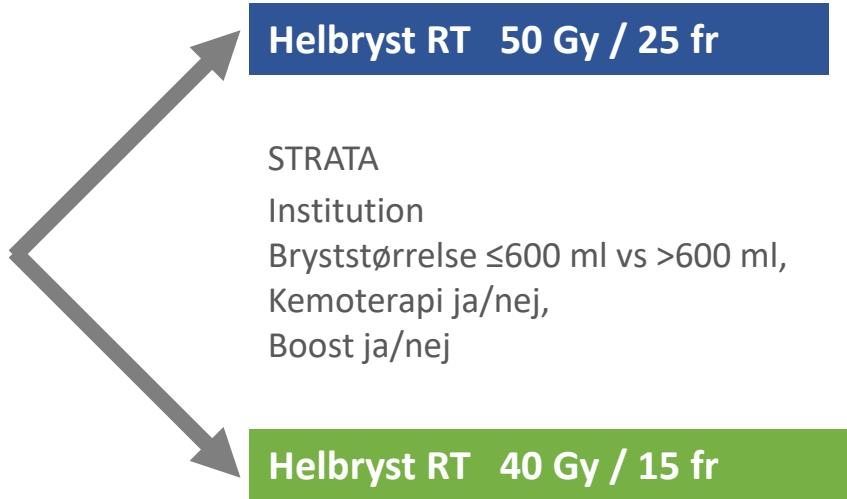


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# Randomisering

Invasiv tidlig brystkræft / DCIS, ≥41 år  
Brystbevarende operation  
pTis-pT2, pN0-pN1(mic)  
Enhver histologi / ER / HER2 / grad  
Boost tilladt  
Alle bryststørrelser  
Enhver systemisk behandling  
Brystimplantater ikke tilladt



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# Endepunkter

## Primære

- Grad  $\geq 2$  brystfasthed efter RT (ved 2 eller flere opfølgninger)

## Sekundære

- Andre RT-relaterede bivirkninger
- Body image scale og fotos af bryster (ikke rapporteret)
- Patienttilfredshed
- Tilbagefald, incl type, hvor, hvornår



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# Status for inklusion af patienter

	50Gy/25fr	40Gy/15fr
All	949	933
Aarhus	420	418
Vejle	149	142
Odense	132	121
Aalborg	82	85
Dresden, Gustav Carus	84	89
Dresden-Friedrichstadt	36	38
Stavanger	39	37
Kristiansand	7	3

Inklusion Maj 2009 - Mar 2014



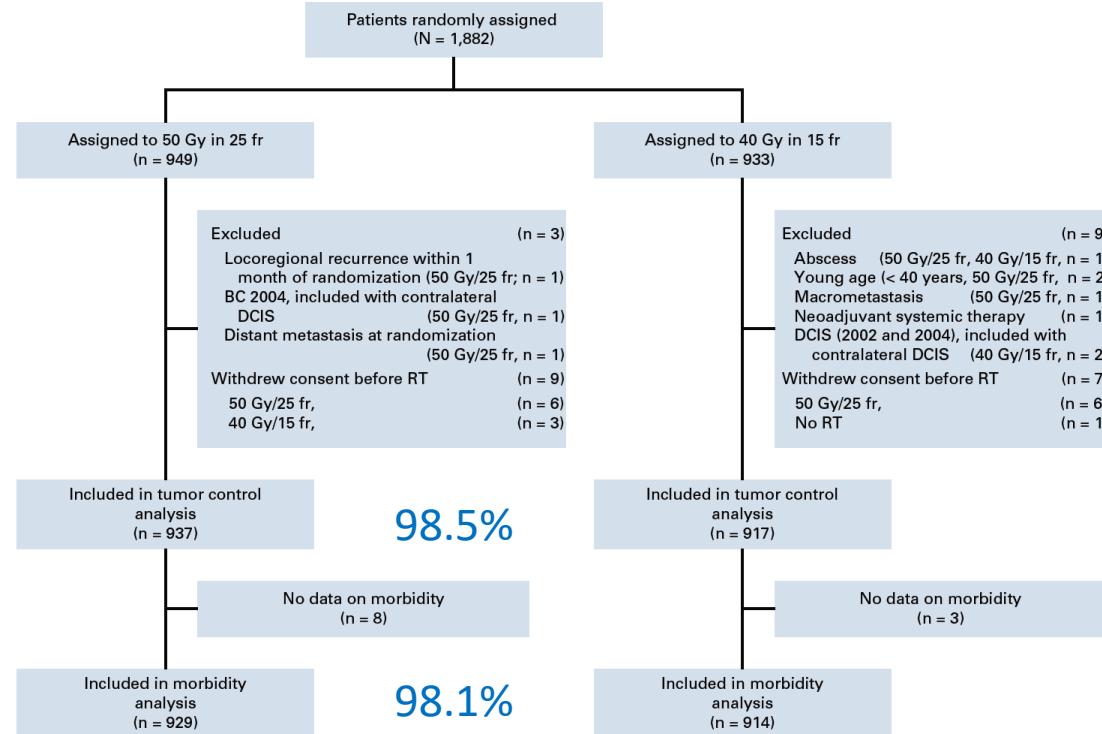
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# Consort diagram



5-års bivirkninger indberettet for 1452 patienter (77%)

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# Baseline karakteristika

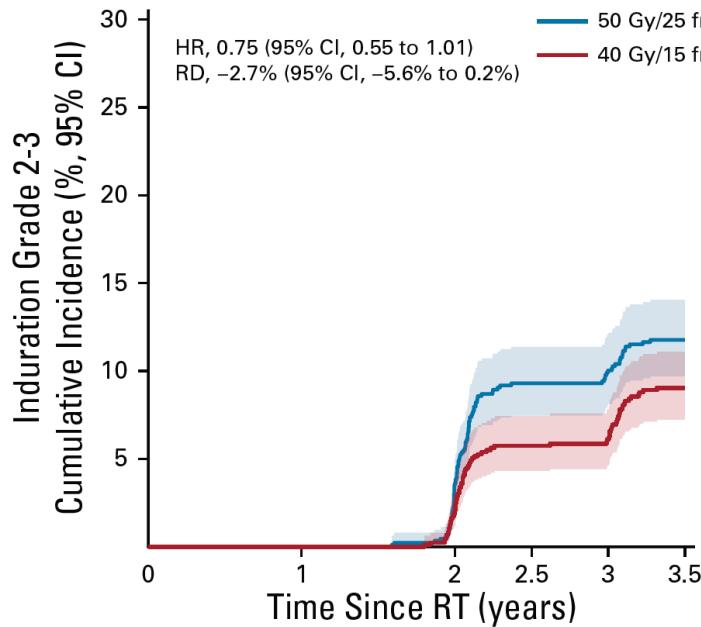
	50 Gy in 25 Fractions (n = 937)	40 Gy in 15 Fractions (n = 917)
Characteristic		
Age, years		
Median (range)	59 (42-83)	59 (41-82)
41-49	101 (11)	98 (11)
50-59	389 (42)	383 (42)
60-69	349 (37)	351 (38)
70-83	98 (10)	85 (9)
Breast size, mL (CTVp_breast)		
≤ 600	420 (45)	425 (46)
> 600	512 (55)	491 (54)
Laterality		
Right	455 (49)	445 (49)
Left	482 (51)	472 (51)
Histology		
DCIS	123 (13)	123 (13)
Ductal	620 (66)	615 (67)
Lobular	97 (10)	104 (11)
Other invasive	97 (10)	75 (8)
Tumor size <sup>a</sup>		
T1a	48 (6)	64 (8)
T1b	196 (24)	191 (24)
T1c	414 (51)	403 (51)
T2	156 (19)	136 (17)
Grade <sup>b</sup>		
1	216 (35)	196 (32)
2	260 (42)	249 (40)
3	139 (22)	164 (7)
Unknown <sup>c</sup>	5 (1)	6 (1)
Lymph nodes <sup>a</sup>		
Negative	661 (81)	683 (86)
Isolated tumor cells	46 (6)	35 (4)
Micrometastasis ≤ 2 mm	107 (13)	76 (8)
ER status <sup>a</sup>		
Negative	114 (14)	123 (15)
Positive	699 (86)	667 (84)
Unknown <sup>c</sup>	1 (0)	4 (1)
HER2 status <sup>a</sup>		
Negative	746 (92)	685 (86)
Positive	63 (8)	92 (12)
Unknown <sup>c</sup>	5 (1)	17 (2)
ER/HER2 status <sup>a</sup>		
ER+/HER2-	647 (79)	592 (75)
ER+/HER2+	48 (6)	60 (8)

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Characteristic		
ER-/HER2+	15 (2)	32 (4)
ER-/HER2-	98 (12)	90 (11)
Unknown	6 (1)	20 (3)
Radiotherapy boost, Denmark		
No	659 (85)	645 (86)
Yes	116 (15)	108 (14)
Radiotherapy boost, Germany		
No	18 (15)	20 (16)
Yes	100 (85)	105 (84)
Radiotherapy boost, Norway		
No	44 (100)	38 (97)
Yes	0 (0)	1 (3)
Chemotherapy <sup>a</sup>		
No	465 (57)	461 (58)
Yes	349 (43)	333 (42)
Systemic therapy <sup>d</sup>		
No	198 (26)	192 (25)
Tamoxifen	39 (5)	45 (6)
Letrozole	241 (31)	235 (31)
Chemotherapy	243 (31)	213 (31)
Chemotherapy + trastuzumab	54 (7)	68 (9)
Smoking status		
Never/prior	739 (79)	745 (81)
Current	185 (20)	160 (17)
Unknown	13 (1)	12 (1)

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# Fasthed i brystet (N=1830)



- Median opfølgning 7.26 år
- I univariat analyse er 40 Gy / 15 fr ikke associeret med øget risiko for fasthed i brystet

No. at risk:						
50 Gy/25 fr	865	865	825	750	736	694
40 Gy/15 fr	865	865	838	790	778	730

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# RT relaterede bivirkninger

**TABLE 2.** Primary and Secondary Morbidity End Points, Odds Ratio for 40 Gy/15 Fractions Versus 50 Gy/25 Fractions at Years 3 and 5 and At All Follow-Up Assessments

Event	Year 3				Year 5				All Follow-Up Assessments			
	No. of Patients With Event/ All Patients (%)			P	No. of Patients With Event/All Patients (%)			P	No. of Events/Total No. of Assessments (%)			P
	50 Gy/25 Fractions	40 Gy/15 Fractions	OR (95% CI)		50 Gy/25 Fractions	40 Gy/15 Fractions	OR (95% CI)		50 Gy/25 Fractions	40 Gy/15 Fractions	OR (95% CI)	
Induration	105/812 (13)	84/825 (10)	0.76 (0.56 to 1.04)	.082	85/718 (12)	67/734 (9)	0.75 (0.53 to 1.05)	.092	538/4,049 (13)	442/4,091 (11)	0.80 (0.65 to 0.98)	.029
Favorable overall cosmetic outcome	619/812 (76)	672/825 (81)	1.37 (1.08 to 1.74)	.0098	540/718 (75)	590/734 (80)	1.35 (1.05 to 1.73)	.018	3122/4,049 (77)	3317/4,091 (81)	1.22 (1.02 to 1.47)	.032
Telangiectasia	47/812 (6)	53/825 (6)	1.12 (0.75 to 1.68)	.59	67/718 (9)	75/734 (10)	1.11 (0.78 to 1.56)	.57	230/4,049 (6)	276/4,091 (7)	1.14 (0.86 to 1.52)	.35
Dyspigmentation	113/812 (14)	85/825 (10)	0.71 (0.53 to 0.96)	.025	69/718 (10)	51/734 (7)	0.70 (0.48 to 1.02)	.067	669/4,049 (17)	512/4,091 (13)	0.74 (0.62 to 0.88)	< .001
Scar appearance	182/794 (23)	178/821 (22)	0.93 (0.74 to 1.18)	.55	155/692 (22)	143/716 (20)	0.86 (0.67 to 1.12)	.27	872/3,977 (22)	860/4,054 (21)	0.99 (0.83 to 1.19)	.93
Edema	13/812 (2)	9/825 (1)	NA	NA	7/718 (1)	7/734 (1)	NA	NA	90/40,49 (2)	61/4091 (1)	0.62 (0.39 to 0.99)	.044
Pain	46/812 (6)	30/825 (4)	0.63 (0.39 to 1.01)	.053	42/718 (6)	27/734 (4)	0.61 (0.37 to 1.01)	.054	238/4,049 (6)	177/4,092 (4)	0.76 (0.57 to 1.01)	.063
Use of analgesics	8/812 (1)	3/825 (0)	NA	NA	4/718 (1)	4/734 (1)	NA	NA	37/4,049 (1)	39/4,092 (1)	1.12 (0.57 to 2.23)	.74
Sensibility change	67/812 (8)	32/825 (4)	0.45 (0.29 to 0.69)	< .001	47/718 (7)	44/734 (6)	0.91 (0.60 to 1.39)	.66	277/4,049 (7)	206/4,092 (5)	0.73 (0.56 to 0.97)	.028
Patient satisfaction, treated breast	734/804 (91)	748/819 (91)	1.00 (0.71 to 1.42)	.98	645/714 (90)	665/728 (91)	1.13 (0.79 to 1.62)	.51	3531/3,905 (90)	3601/3,947 (91)	1.09 (0.86 to 1.38)	.48
Patient satisfaction, compared with contralateral breast	665/802 (83)	693/819 (85)	1.13 (0.87 to 1.48)	.35	586/713 (82)	613/722 (85)	1.22 (0.92 to 1.61)	.17	3211/3898 (82)	3,325/3,933 (85)	1.15 (0.95 to 1.39)	.14

Ingen forskel eller bedre resultater med 40Gy afhængigt af endepunkt og tid

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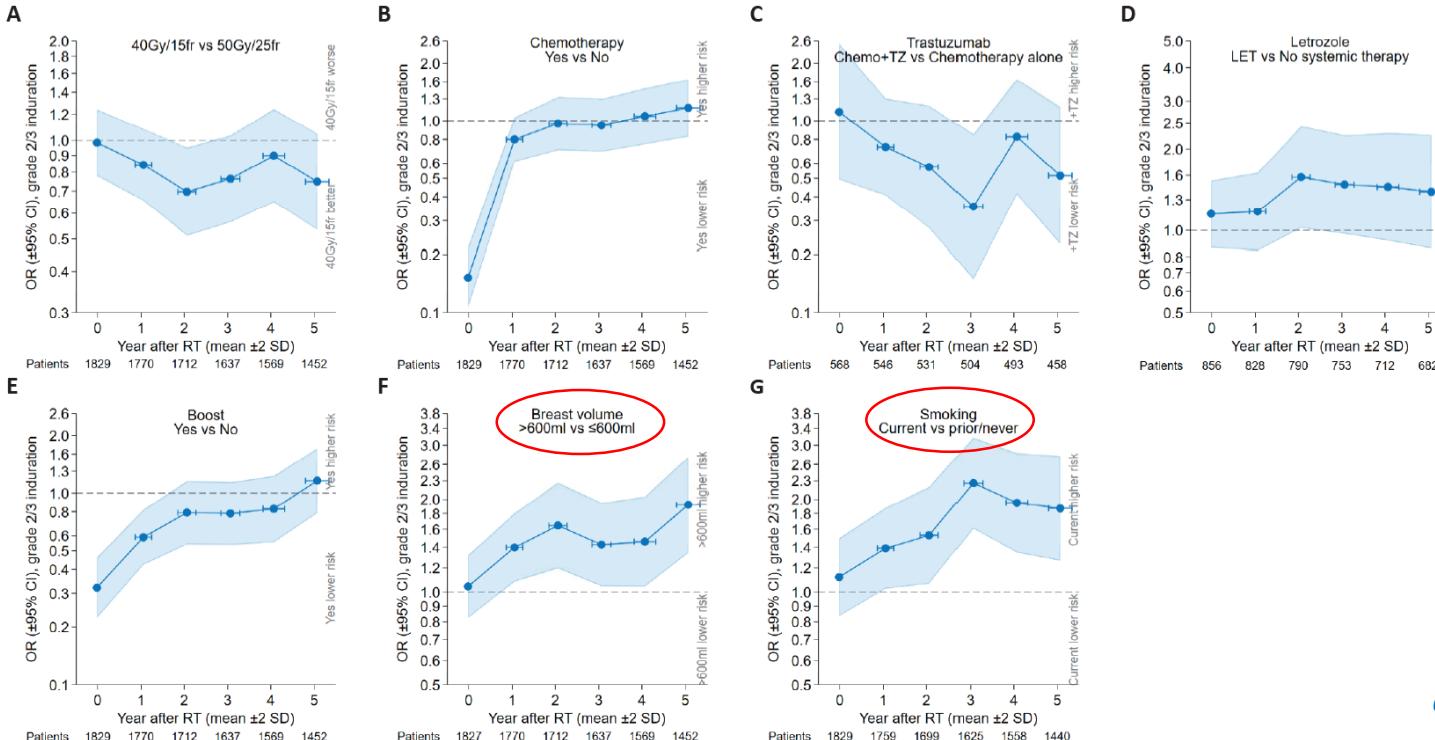


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# Fasthed – planlagte subgruppe analyser

**Supplementary Figure 1.** Odds ratio for grade 2 or 3 induration for fractionation (A), chemotherapy (B), Trastuzumab (C), Letrozole (D), boost (E), breast volume (F), smoking (G). Time of follow-up is defined by time after start of radiotherapy and defined as a given year if the time equals that year  $\pm$  6 months. Mean time for each year is potted with  $\pm$  2 standard deviations (SD).



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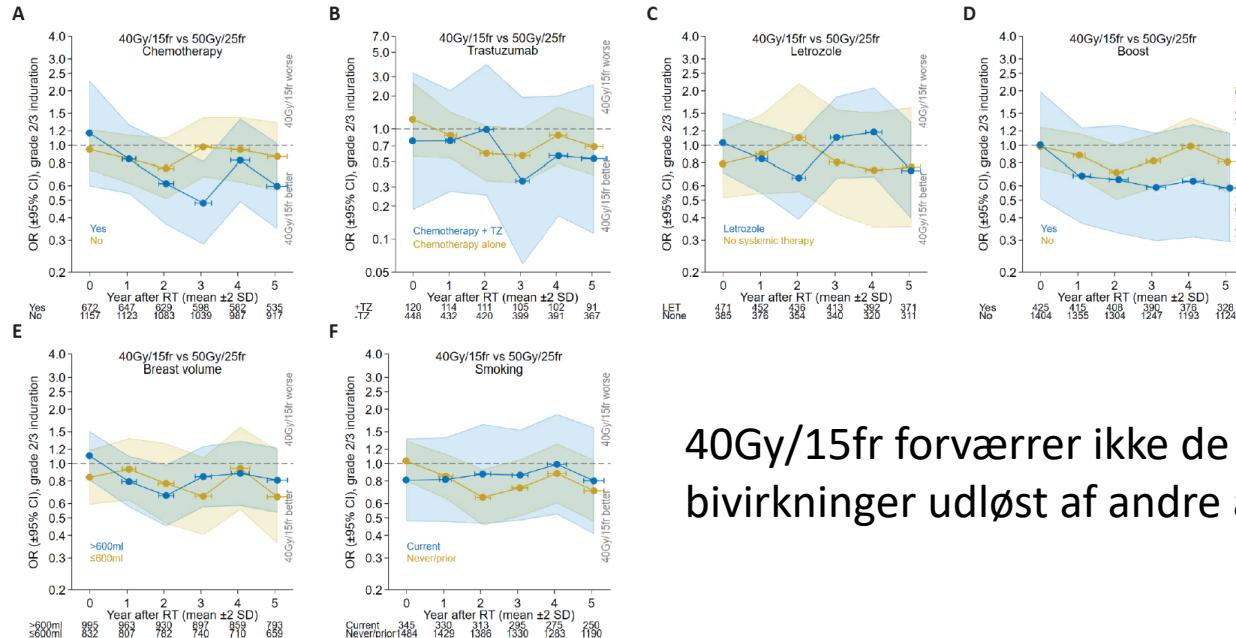


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# Fasthed i brystet – planlagte subgruppe analyser opgjort i forhold til antal behandlinger

**Supplementary Figure 2.** Odds ratio for grade 2 or 3 induration, 40Gy/15fr vs 50Gy/25fr depending on chemotherapy (A), Trastuzumab (B), Letrozole (C), boost (D), breast volume (E), smoking (F). Time of follow-up is defined by time after start of radiotherapy and defined as a given year if the time equals that year  $\pm 6$  months. Mean time for each year is potted with  $\pm 2$  standard deviations (SD).



40Gy/15fr forværret ikke de RT-relaterede  
bivirkninger udløst af andre årsager

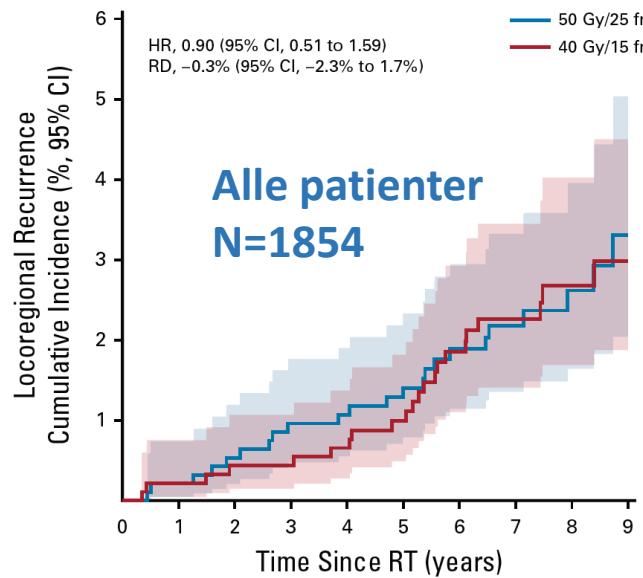
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# Loco-reg tilbagefald



No. at risk:

50 Gy/25 fr	937	929	914	900	883	799	713	498	344	187
40 Gy/15 fr	917	907	894	882	866	780	705	506	346	170

LRR / antal patienter  
50Gy: 19 / 814  
40Gy: 14 / 794

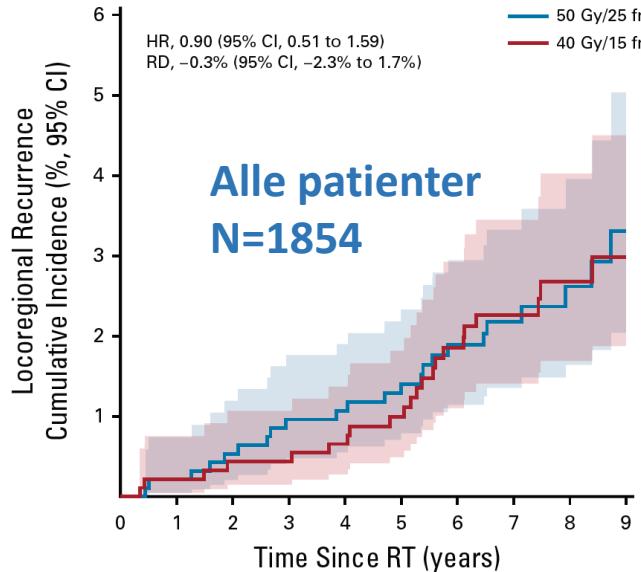
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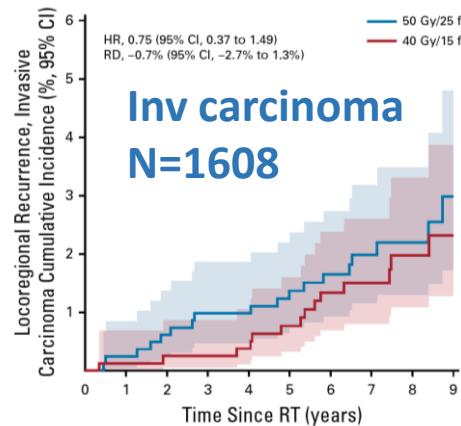
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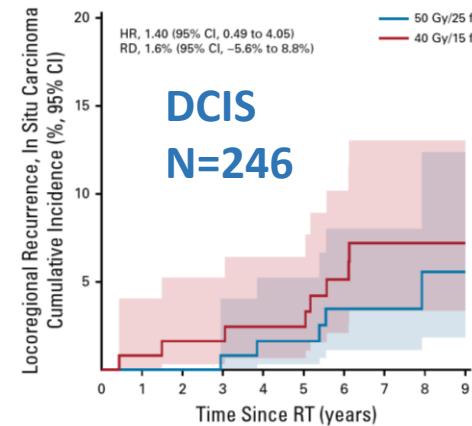
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No. at risk:

50 Gy/25 fr	814	808	796	783	769	694	620	439	304	164
40 Gy/15 fr	794	788	778	768	754	676	613	446	311	155



No. at risk:

50 Gy/25 fr	123	121	118	117	114	105	93	59	40	23
40 Gy/15 fr	123	119	116	114	112	104	92	60	35	15

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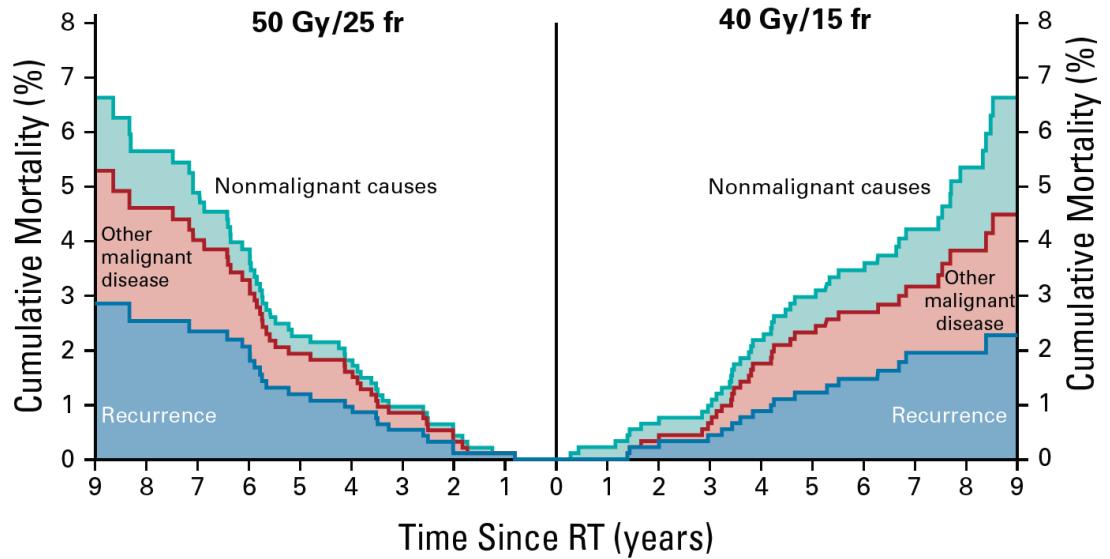


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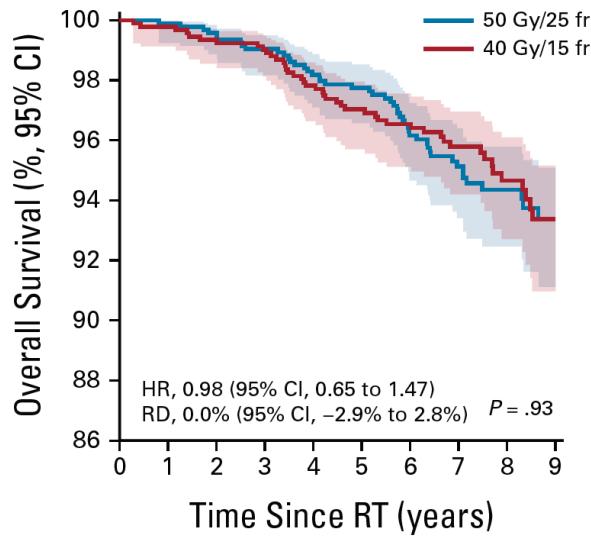
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No. at risk:

190 365 535 760 849 920 928 933 936 937

917 915 911 908 896 807 739 534 359 177



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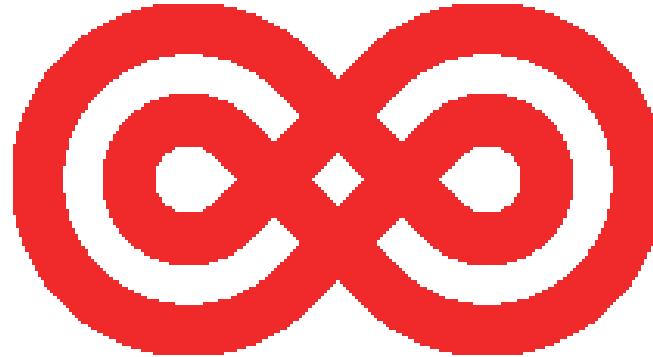
# Konklusion

- 40 Gy / 15 fr øger ikke risikoen for fasthed, hverken i hele gruppen eller i de planlagte subgruppe analyser (boost, store bryster, kemoterapi og/eller rygere)
- Risikofaktorer for fasthed i brystet efter RT: stor bryststørrelse og aktuel ryger
- 40 Gy/15 fr er blevet testet i DBCG RT Skagen Trial 1, som inkluderede højrisiko brystkræftpatienter med indikation for lymfeknude bestråling, og de første resultater offentliggøres ved ESTRO 2022 på ca 3000 patienter

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# Tak

- Tak til alle deltagende centre
- Tak til alle deltagende patienter
- Tak til Kræftens Bekæmpelse og CIRRO
- Tak til DBCG kontoret for hjælp og støtte



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