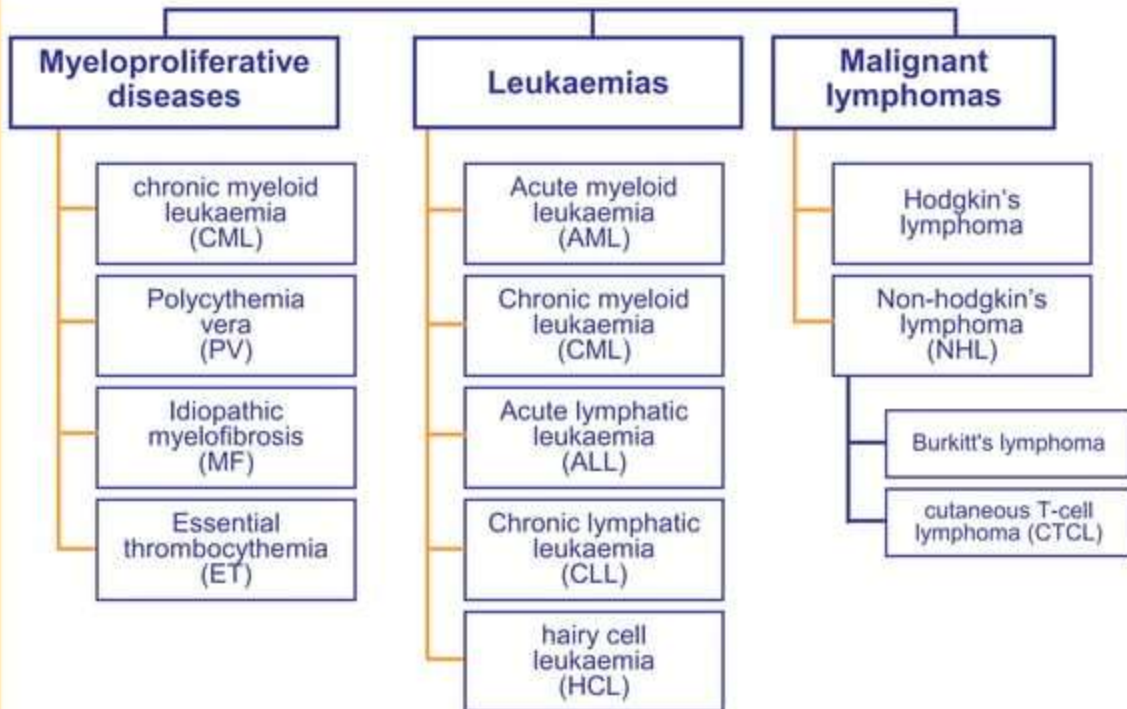




# **Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma**

## **Epidemiology, Disease and Staging**

# Haematopoietic Malignancies





# **Non- Hodgkin's Lymphom a**

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# Haematopoietic Malignancies

## Myeloproliferative diseases

- Family of chronic neoplastic diseases
- Due to a clonal disorder arising at the level of the pluripotent stem cell
- Characterised by abnormal proliferation of 1 or more blood cell lines

## Leukaemias

- Neoplastic disease of a haematopoietic precursor cell
- Characterised by replacement of normal bone marrow
- Often infiltration into other organs
- Malignant clones suppress normal cell formation

## Malignant lymphomas

- Neoplastic disease of lymphatic tissue
- Originates in lymph node or spleen
- Hodgkin's (15%)
- non-Hodgkin's (85%)

## The Lymphatic System

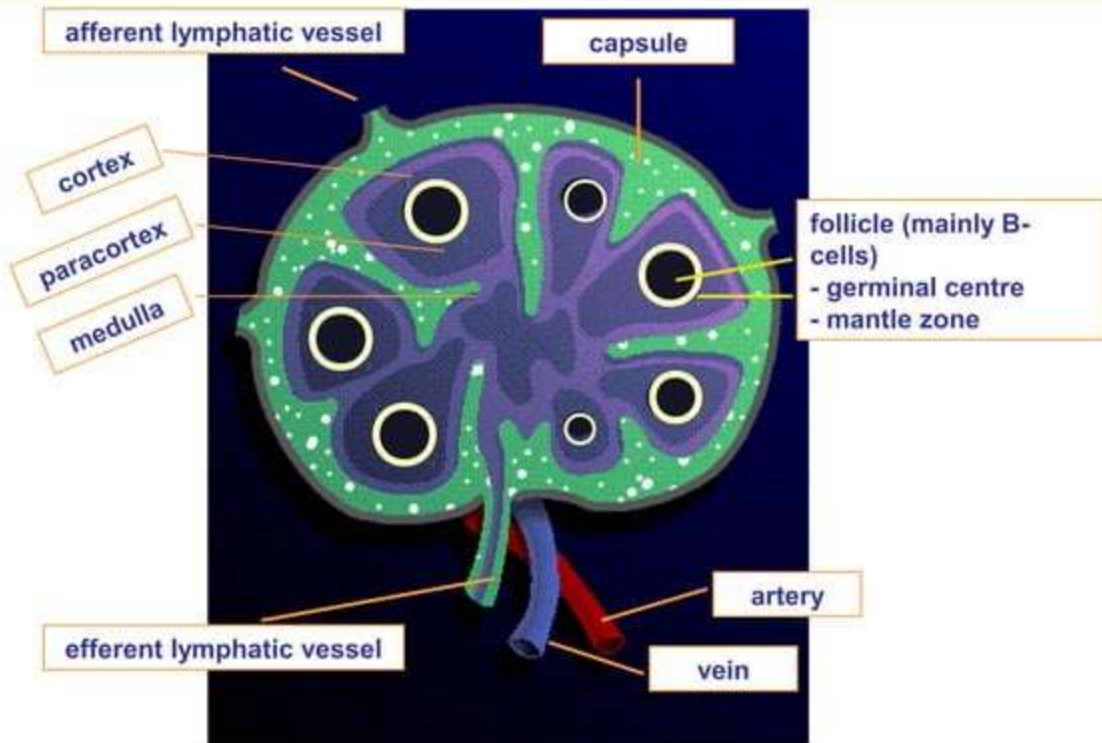


## Lymphatic Tissue

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- Lymph nodes, spleen, liver, skin and the respiratory, GI and GTU tract
- Lymphocytes undergo further proliferation and differentiation in lymphoid tissue
  - B-lymphocytes
    - tend to reside in lymph nodes & spleen
  - T-lymphocytes
    - tend to circulate throughout the lymphatic system

# Lymph Node - normal histology



## Hodgkin's Lymphoma

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- 15% of lymphomas
- First described by Thomas Hodgkin in 1832
- Originally had a very poor prognosis (<10% survival at 5 years)
- Improved staging techniques and understanding of the pattern of spread helps direct management
- Now curable in over 70% of cases through the use of radiotherapy and chemotherapy



## **Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (NHL): Definition and Indication**

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**A heterogeneous group of B- and T-cell malignancies that are diverse in cellular origin, morphology, cytogenetic abnormalities, response to treatment, and prognosis**

## Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (NHL)

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- 85% of lymphomas
- 6th major cause of cancer deaths yearly  
Heterogeneous group of malignant diseases arising from lymphoid tissue
  - lymph nodes, spleen
- Various immune cell types
  - principally B-cells derivation (>85%)
  - T-cells derivation
  - Histiocytes (very rarely)
  - Various stages of differentiation and maturation

## NHL Incidence

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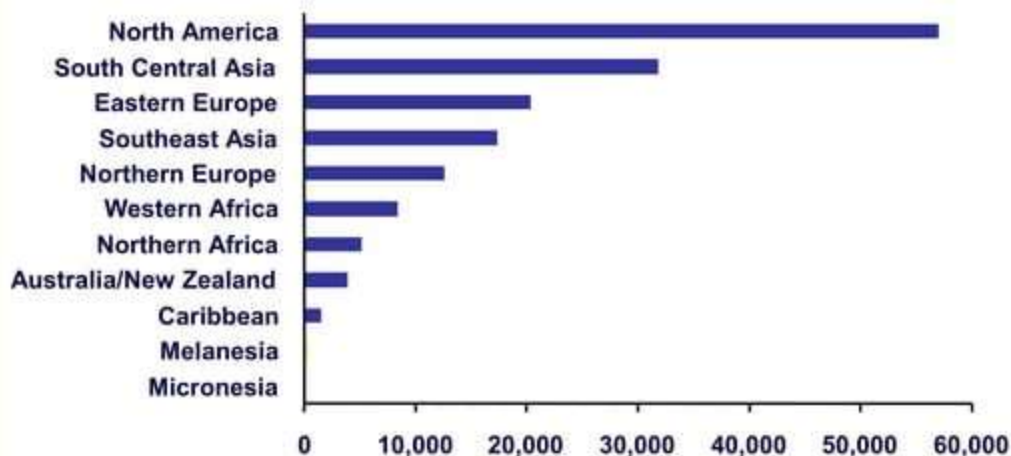
- Incidence of 13.3/100,000 per year (Aust)
- Predominates in the 40-70 years age group
  - most common neoplasm in the 20-40 age group
- Incidence is rising
  - 150% growth over the past 30 years
  - increasing by 4% annually since 1970's
- Mortality rate is also rising
  - 2% rise per year
  - third highest rise, exceeded only by lung cancer in women and malignant melanoma

## NHL Incidence

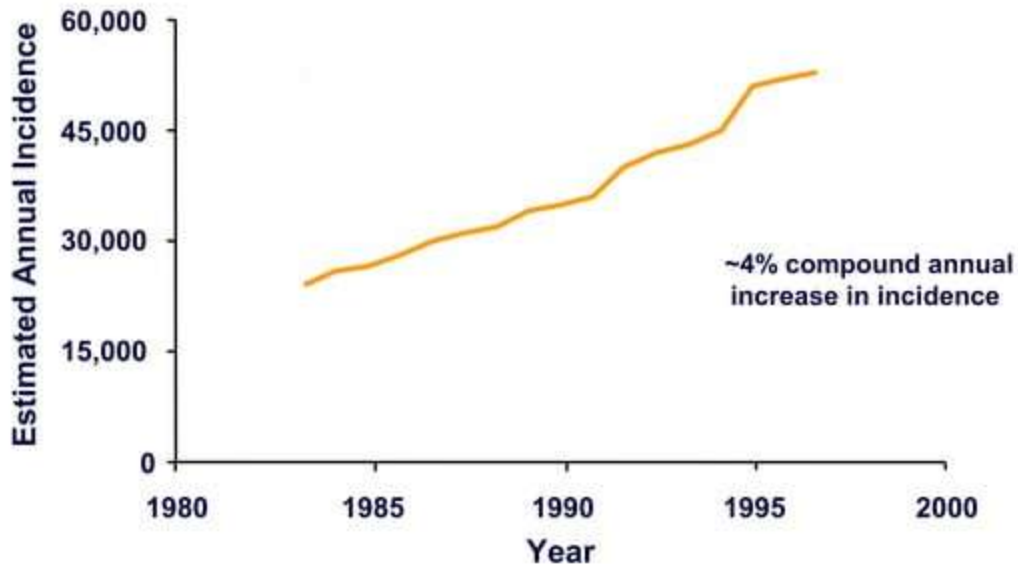
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- **Increases with age**
  - implications
- **Slight male predominance overall**
- **Striking male predominance for several subtypes**
- **Incidence of certain subtypes varies greatly around the world**
  - Burkitt's Lymphoma in African children
  - T-cell type more common in Japan

## Estimated Incidence of NHL in the Year 2000 (Worldwide)



## Estimated Incidence of NHL (US)



# Revised European-American Lymphoma (REAL) Classification: B-Cell Neoplasms

Indolent	Aggressive	Very Aggressive
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ CLL/SLL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ PLL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Precursor B-lymphoblastic lymphoma/Leukemia</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Lymphoplasmacytic/IMC/WM</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Plasmacytoma/Multiple myeloma</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ HCL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ MCL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Burkitt's lymphoma/B-cell acute leukemia</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Splenic marginal zone lymphoma</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Follicle centre lymphoma, follicular, grade III</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ MZL<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Extranodal (MALT)</li><li>- Nodal</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ DLCL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Plasma cell leukemia</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Follicle center lymphoma, follicular, grade I-II</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma</li><li>■ High-grade B-cell lymphoma/Burkitt's-like</li></ul>	

# World Health Organization (WHO)

## Classification of Lymphoid Neoplasms: B-Cell Neoplasms

### ■ Precursor B-cell neoplasm

- Precursor B-lymphoblastic leukemia/lymphoma (precursor B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia)

### ■ Mature (peripheral) B-cell neoplasms

- B-cell CLL/SLL
- B-cell PLL
- Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma
- Plasmacytoma, plasma cell myeloma
- HCL

### ■ Marginal zone B-cell lymphoma

- Marginal zone B-cell lymphoma of MALT
- Nodal marginal zone lymphoma (+/- monocytoid B-cells)
- Splenic marginal zone B-cell lymphoma

### ■ FL

- Grade 1, 0-5 centroblasts/hpf
- Grade 2, 6-15 centroblasts/hpf
- Grade 3, >15 centroblasts/hpf
  - 3a, >15 centroblasts, but centrocytes still present
  - 3b, centroblasts from solid sheets with no residual centrocytes
- Variants
  - Cutaneous follicle center

### ■ MCL

### ■ DLCL

- Mediastinal (thymic) large B-cell lymphoma
- Intravascular lymphoma
- Primary effusion lymphoma

### ■ Burkitt's lymphoma/Burkitt cell leukemia

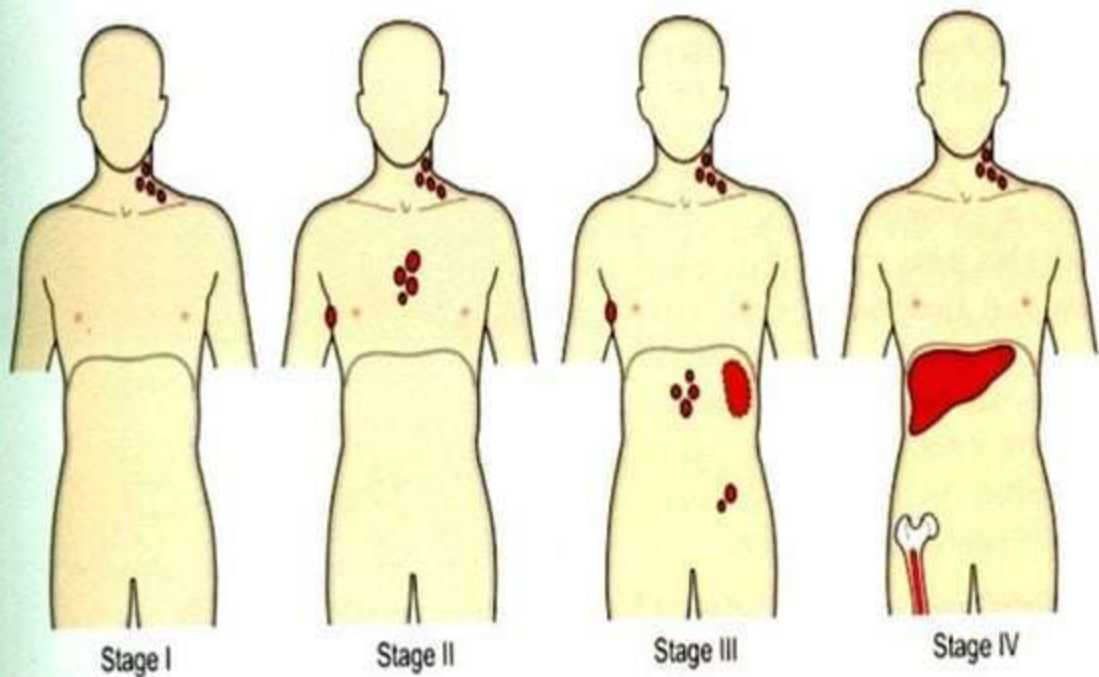


## Modified Ann Arbor Staging of NHL

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<b>Stage I</b>	Involvement of a single lymph node region
<b>Stage II</b>	Involvement of $\geq 2$ lymph node regions on the same side of the diaphragm
<b>Stage III</b>	Involvement of lymph node regions on both sides of the diaphragm
<b>Stage IV</b>	Multifocal involvement of $\geq 1$ extralymphatic sites $\pm$ associated lymph nodes or isolated extralymphatic organ involvement with distant nodal involvement

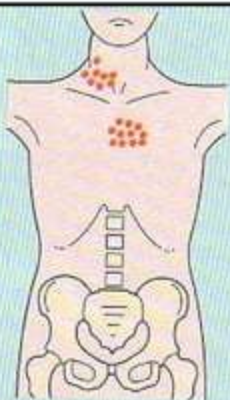
# Staging of NHL



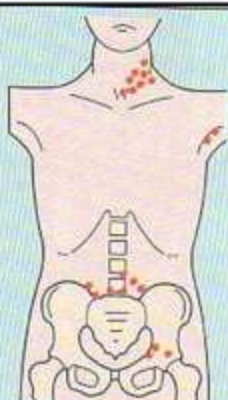
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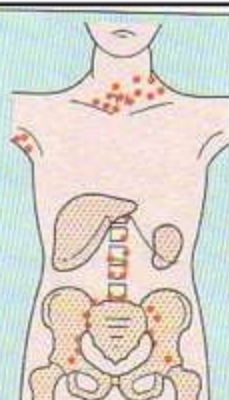
**Stage I:**  
involvement of single lymph node region or single extralymphatic site (I<sub>E</sub>)



**Stage II:**  
involvement of two or more lymph node regions on same side of diaphragm; may include localized extralymphatic involvement on same side of diaphragm (II<sub>E</sub>)



**Stage III:**  
involvement of lymph node regions on both sides of the diaphragm; may include spleen (III<sub>S</sub>) or localized extranodal disease (III<sub>E</sub>)



**Stage IV:**  
diffuse extralymphatic disease (e.g. in liver, bone marrow, lung, skin)

Enlarged lymph nodes  
Single/multiple

Peripheral  
Cervical  
Axillar  
Inguinal



Profound  
Mediastinal  
Lombo-aortic  
Mesenteric  
Iliac

Splenomegaly



Diagnosis of lymphoma

Atypical symptoms  
Weight loss  
Fever  
Fatigue

Extranodal tumors



Typical of lymphoma

Skin  
Stomach  
Orbit

Similar to any other solid tumor

Effusion





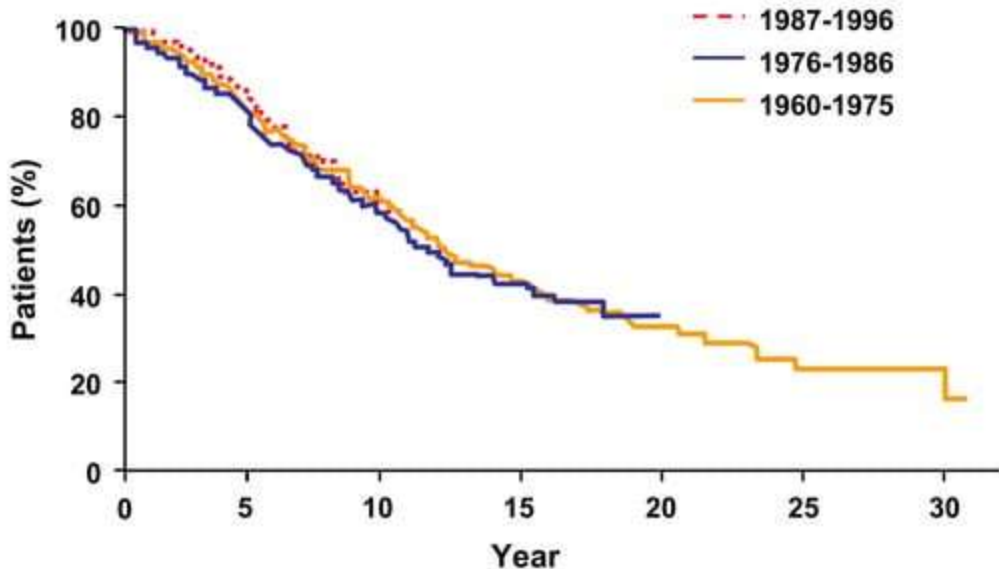
# **Follicular non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma**

**Classification and survival**

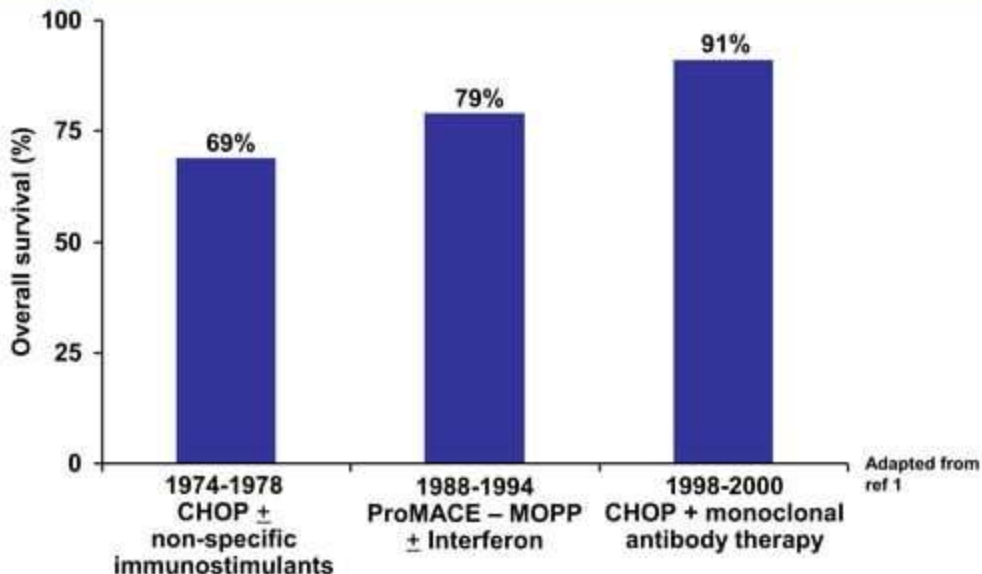
## Classification of Indolent NHL: International Working Formulation (IWF)

<b>Class</b>	<b>% of NHL Patients</b>	<b>Median Survival (y)</b>
<b>A. Small lymphocytic</b>	3.6	5.8
<b>B. Follicular, predominantly small cleaved cell</b>	22.5	7.2
<b>C. Follicular, mixed small and large cell</b>	7.7	5.1
<b>D. Follicular, predominantly large cell</b>	3.8	3.0

## Survival of Patients with Indolent Lymphoma: The Stanford Experience, 1960-1996



# SWOG Finding: New treatment options have changed the natural history of follicular lymphoma<sup>1</sup>

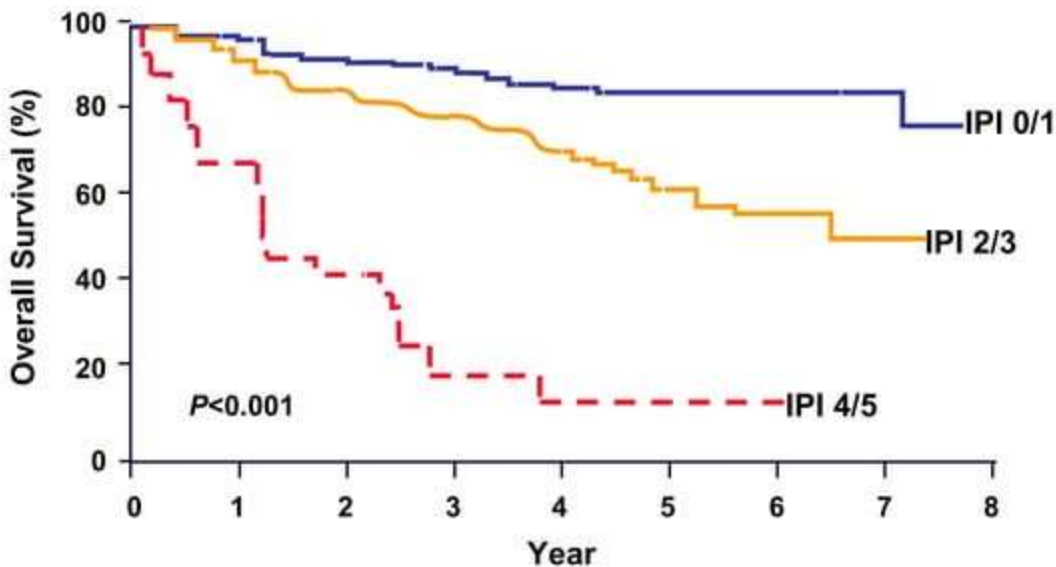


Impact of new treatment options on the natural history of follicular lymphoma determined by SWOG via retrospective analysis of three sequential treatment approaches.

1:Fisher et al Blood 2004;104 Abstract



## Follicular Lymphoma: Overall Survival

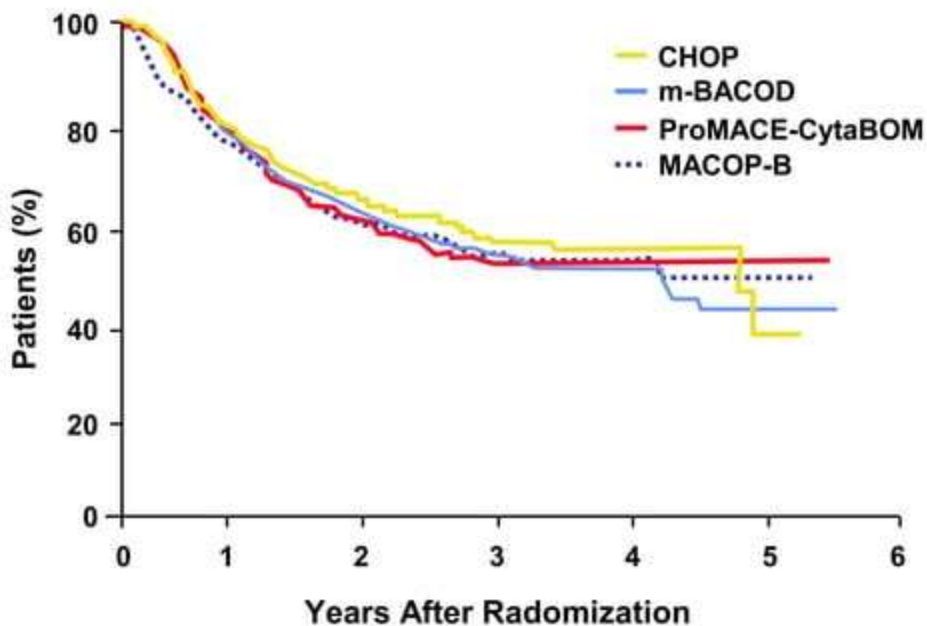




# **Aggressive non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma**

## **Classification and Survival**

## National High-Priority Lymphoma Study: Overall survival for aggressive lymphoma



# International Prognostic Index (IPI)

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## Patients of all ages

Age  
PS  
LDH level  
Extranodal involvement  
Stage (Ann Arbor)

## Risk Factors

>60 years  
2-4  
Elevated  
>1 site  
III-IV

## Patients $\leq 60$ years (age-adjusted)

PS  
LDH  
Stage

2-4  
Elevated  
III-IV

## IPI Risk Strata

	<b>Risk Group</b>	<b>Risk Factors</b>
<b>All ages</b>	Low (L)	0-1
	Low-intermediate (LI)	2
	High-intermediate (HI)	3
	High (H)	4-5
<b>Age-adjusted</b>	L	0
	LI	1
	HI	2
	H	3

## IPI: Overall Survival by Risk Strata

