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Correzione della anemia indotta o da malattia

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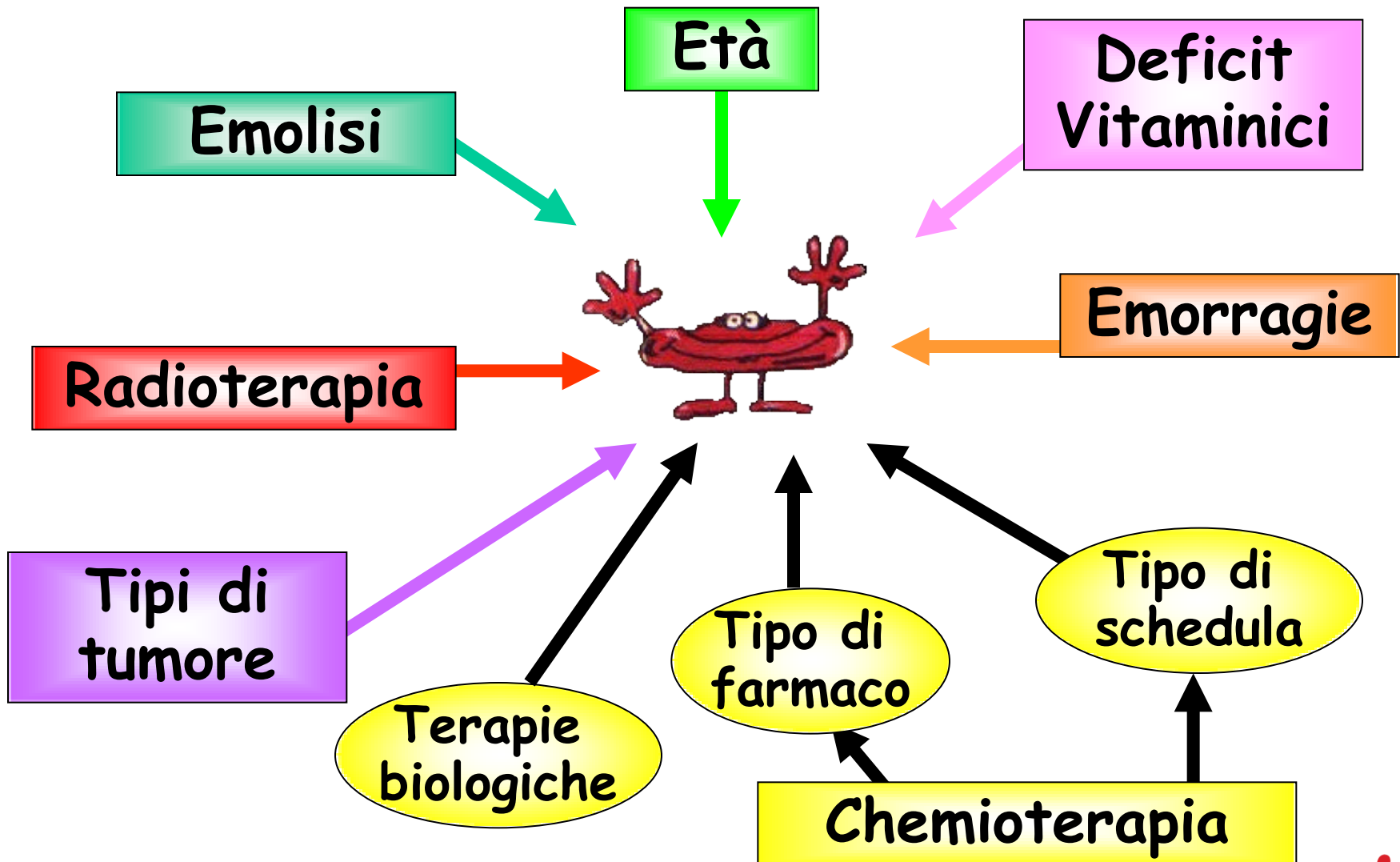
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Grading Anemia

Gravità	Hb	
	WHO	NCI
Grado 0 (normale)	≥ 11 g/dl	12-16 g/dl f 14-18 g/dl m
Grado 1 (lieve)	9,5-10,9 g/dl	10 g/dl
Grado 2 (moderata)	8-9,4 g/dl	8-10 g/dl
Grado 3 (grave)	6,5-7,9 g/dl	6,5-7,9 g/dl
Grado 4 (pericolosa per la vita)	$< 6,5$ g/dl	$< 6,5$ g/dl

Fisiopatologia dell'anemia oncologica



Cause dell'anemia nel pz neoplastico

FARMACI CITOTOSSICI

✓ Compromissione della funzionalità midollare (es. antracicline, ciclofosfamide)

✓ Nefrotossicità con ↓ della produzione di EPO

(es. cisplatino)

✓ L'incidenza e la severità dipendono dal farmaco, dalla schedula, dalla dose e da precedente trattamento chemioradioterapico



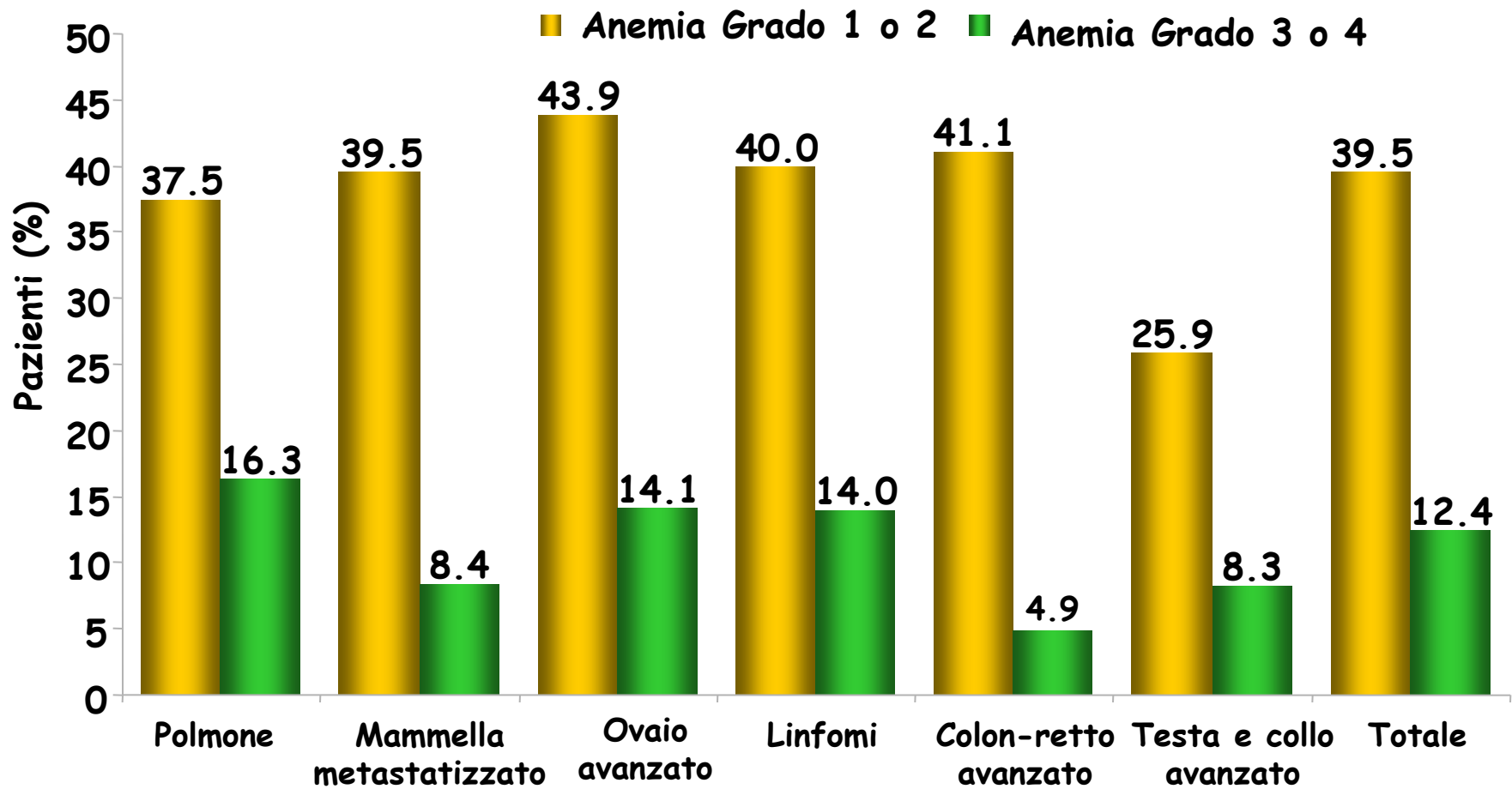
Farmaci chemioterapici e anemia

		Anemia (% pazienti)	
Neoplasia	Farmaco/combinazione	Grado	Grado
		1 / 2	3 / 4
NSCLC avanzato	Paclitaxel	23-100	5
	Docetaxel	73-85	2-10
	Paclitaxel/carboplatino	10-59	5-34
	Paclitaxel/cisplatino	45-60	5-23
Ca Ovaio avanzato	Carboplatino	66	0-26
	Cisplatino	8	2
	Paclitaxel/cisplatino	58	8
	Cisplatino/ciclofosfamide	32-97	2-29

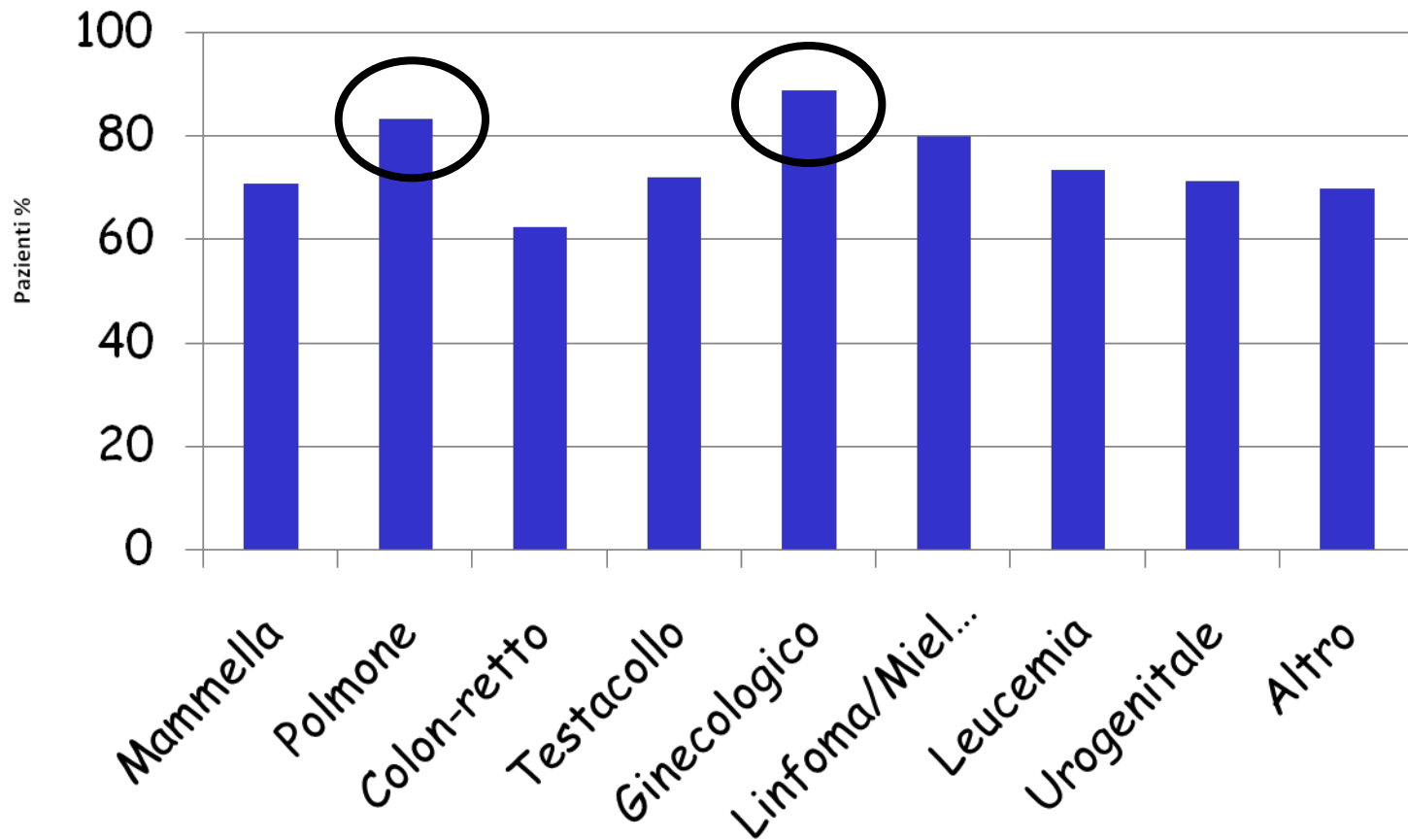
Farmaci chemioterapici e anemia

Neoplasia	Farmaco/combinazione	Anemia (% pazienti)	
		Grado 1 / 2	Grado 3 / 4
Ca mammella metastatico	Paclitaxel	93	7
	Docetaxel	97	0-14
	CAF-M	27	1
NHL	CHOP	49	17-79
	MACOP-B	55	10
Ca colon retto avanzato	Irinotecan	60	8
	FUFA	6-53	2-5

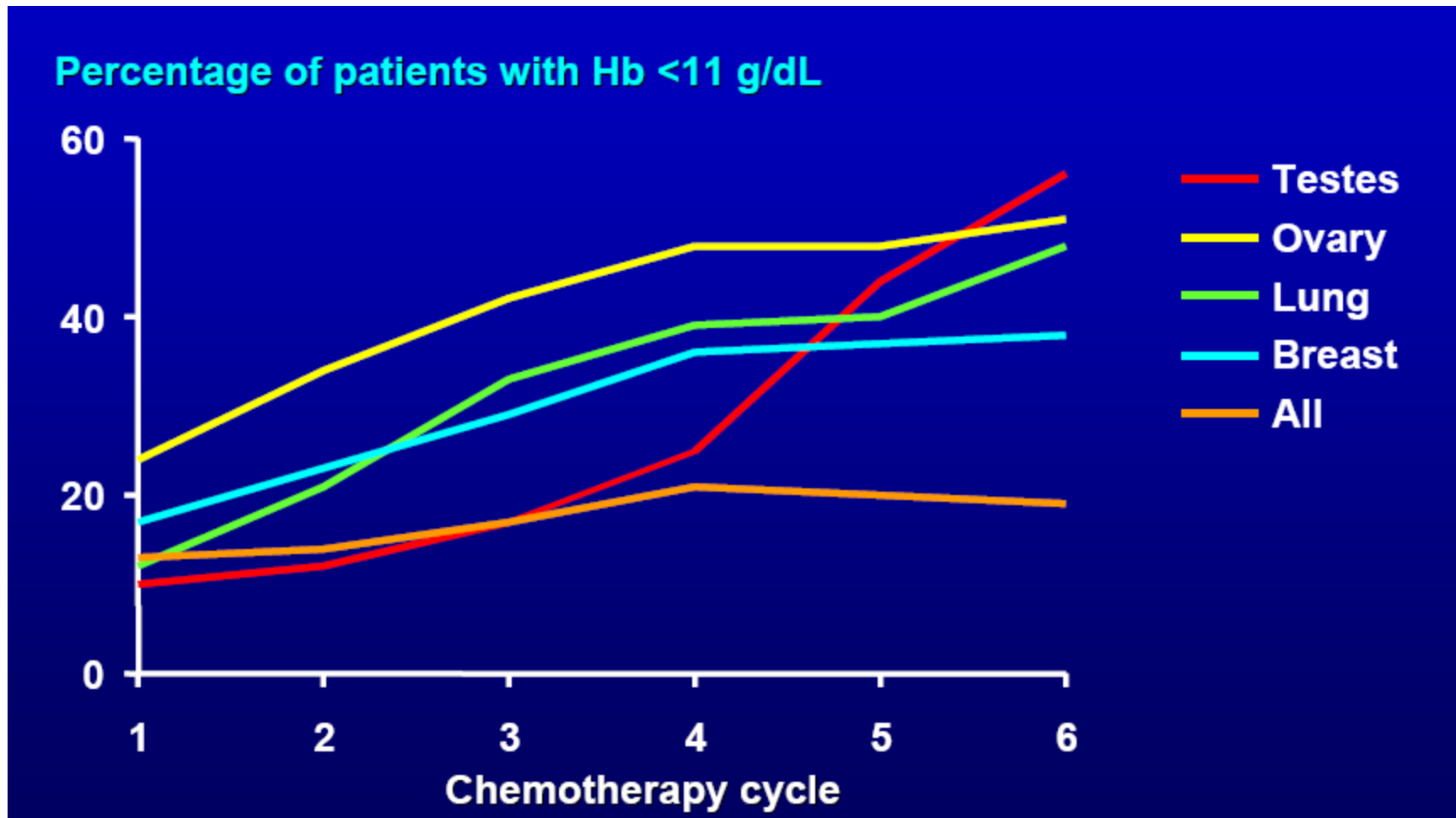
Incidenza anemia nei pazienti oncologici



Tipo di tumore



Impatto della chemioterapia



Cause dell'anemia nel pz neoplastico

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The Risk for Anemia With Targeted Therapies for Solid Tumors

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- ✓ 53 studi
- ✓ 24.310 pazienti valutabili per tossicità

Cause dell'anemia nel pz neoplastico

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Incidenza globale	22.2 %
Anemia G1-G2	31.4 %
Anemia G3-G4	6.3 %



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Cause dell'anemia nel pz neoplastico

Erlotinib	RR 1.34	Rischio elevato
Trastuzumab	RR 1.19	
Sutinib	RR 1.11	
Bevacizumab	RR 0.73	Basso rischio p < 0.00001; absolute risk difference: -3%
Anti HER-2	RR 1.20	p. 0.0003
Anti EGFR	RR 1.24	p. 0.009
Anti-VEGF(R)	RR 0.82	p. 0.02
TKIs	RR 1.83	p. 0.005

Risk Factors for Becoming Anemic

2,585 Patients were not anemic at baseline, started on tumor treatment and followed for ≥ 2 cycles of chemo or had ≥ 2 observations during radiotherapy

Predictor Variable	Adjusted Odds Ratio	Wald * P-Values
Initial Hb: ≤ 12.9 (F) & ≤ 13.5 (M)	3.1	0.000
Lung/GYN vs. GI-colorectal	2.9	0.000
Platinum vs. Non-Platinum	2.3	0.000
All other Sites vs. GI-colorectal	2.4	0.000
Female vs. Male	1.9	0.000
Persistent/Recur vs. ND or IR	1.5	0.002
Age: ≥ 70 years vs. < 70 years	1.5	0.015
WHO PS 2/3/4 vs. 0/1	1.4	0.037
Highest BMI vs. Lowest BMI	0.6	0.000

* Statistic Software for Neural Network Analysis

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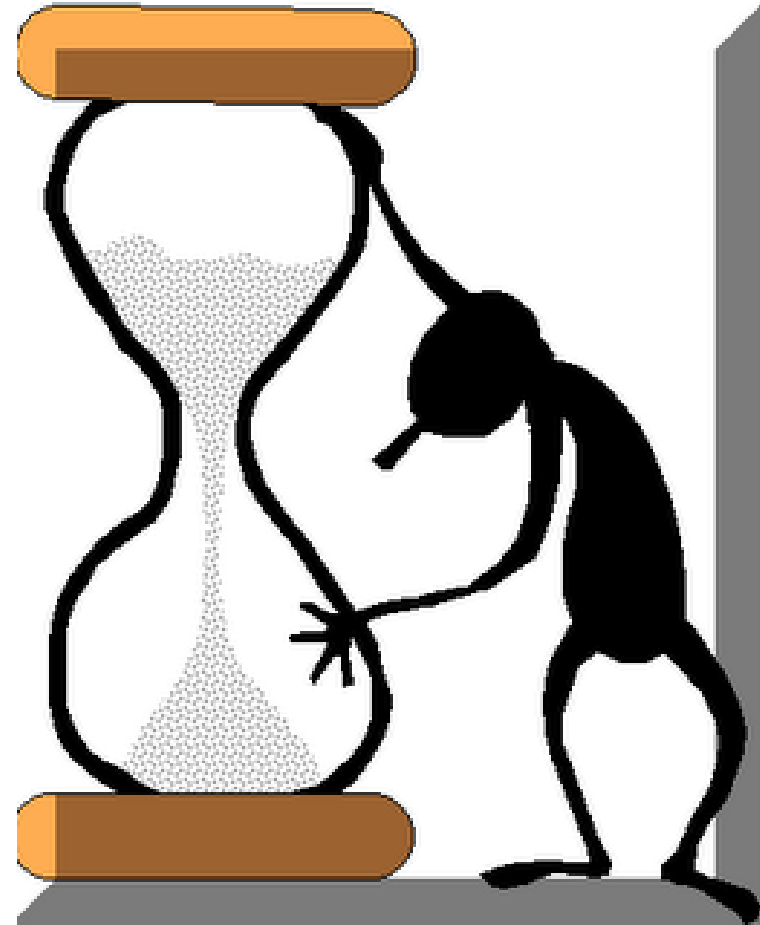
Cancer-related anemia and recombinant human erythropoietin—an updated overview

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- ✓ **Fatigue**
- ✓ **Confusione mentale**
- ✓ **Deficit cognitivi**
- ✓ **Riduzione delle attività sociali e quotidiane**
- ✓ **Peggioramento della qualità di vita**

Conseguenze dell'anemia da cancro

**RIDUZIONE
DELLA
SOPRAVVIVENZA
?**



L'obiettivo della terapia con EPO

**INCREMENTARE
I LIVELLI DI Hb**

**RIDURRE LA
NECESSITA' DI
TRASFUSIONI**

**MIGLIORARE LA
QUALITA' di
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Erythropoietin for anemia in cancer patients

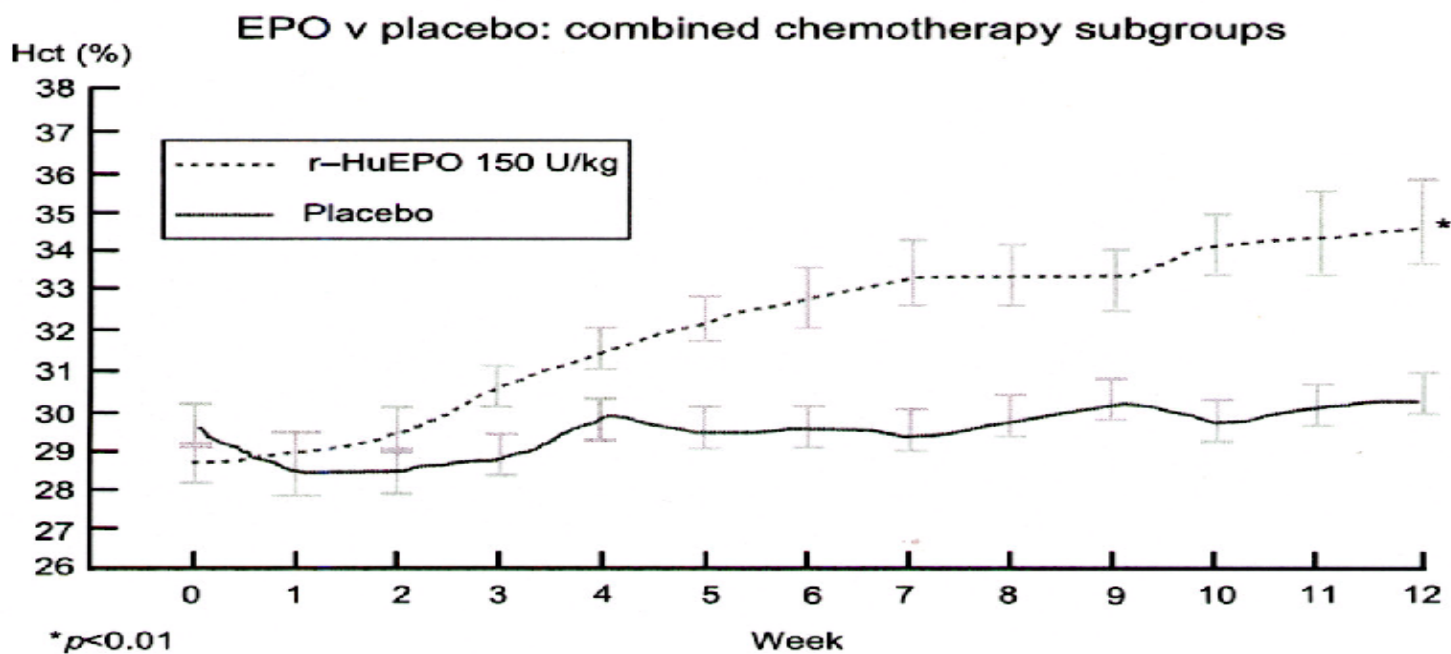


Figure 2. Mean Weekly Hct. EPO vs. placebo: combined chemotherapy subgroups.

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Recombinant Human Erythropoietins and Cancer Patients: Update Meta-Analysis of 57 Studies including 9353 Patients

✓ Treatment with ESA

- reduces transfusion requirement
- improves hematopoietic response
- provide clinically meaningful improvements in overall health in patients receiving chemotherapy



Bohlius J. Et al. J Natl Cancer Inst. 2006

I vantaggi

La qualità di vita

Study	Trial Type	Quality of Life Impact	Quality of Life Tool(s)
Glaspay 1997 ^[1]	Open label	Yes	LASA
Demetri 1998 ^[2]	Open label	Yes	LASA, FACT-An
Gabrilove 2001 ^[3]	Open label	Yes	LASA, FACT-An
Littlewood 2001 ^[4]	Randomized, placebo controlled	Yes	LASA, FACT-An, FACT-F, SF-36
Österborg 2002 ^[5]	Randomized, placebo controlled	Yes	FACT-G, FACT-F, FACT-An
Boogaerts 2002 ^[6]	Randomized	Yes	FACT-G, FACT-F, FACT-An, SF-36,
Vansteenkiste 2002 ^[7]	Randomized, placebo controlled	Yes	FACT-F

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Recombinant human erythropoiesis-stimulating agents and mortality in patients with cancer: a meta-analysis of randomised trials

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Summary

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Background Erythropoiesis-stimulating agents reduce anaemia in patients with cancer and could improve their quality of life, but these drugs might increase mortality. We therefore did a meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials in which these drugs plus red blood cell transfusions were compared with transfusion alone for prophylaxis or treatment of anaemia in patients with cancer.

Methods Data for patients treated with epoetin alfa, epoetin beta, or darbepoetin alfa were obtained and analysed by independent statisticians using fixed-effects and random-effects meta-analysis. Analyses were by intention to treat. Primary endpoints were mortality during the active study period and overall survival during the longest available follow-up, irrespective of anticancer treatment, and in patients given chemotherapy. Tests for interactions were used to identify differences in effects of erythropoiesis-stimulating agents on mortality across prespecified subgroups.

Findings Data from a total of 13 933 patients with cancer in 53 trials were analysed. 1530 patients died during the active study period and 4993 overall. Erythropoiesis-stimulating agents increased mortality during the active study period (combined hazard ratio [cHR] 1.17, 95% CI 1.06–1.30) and worsened overall survival (1.06, 1.00–1.12), with little heterogeneity between trials (I^2 0%, $p=0.87$ for mortality during the active study period, and I^2 7.1%, $p=0.33$ for overall survival). 10 441 patients on chemotherapy were enrolled in 38 trials. The cHR for mortality during the active study period was 1.10 (0.98–1.24), and 1.04 (0.97–1.11) for overall survival. There was little evidence for a difference between trials of patients given different anticancer treatments (p for interaction=0.42).

Interpretation Treatment with erythropoiesis-stimulating agents in patients with cancer increased mortality during active study periods and worsened overall survival. The increased risk of death associated with treatment with these drugs should be balanced against their benefits.

Funding German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Medical Faculty of University of Cologne, and Onco Suisse (Switzerland).



Interpretation:

Treatment with erythropoiesis-stimulating agents in patients with cancer **increased mortality** during active study periods and **worsened overall survival**.

The increased risk of death associated with treatment with these drugs **should be balanced against their benefits**.





Effect of treatment with epoetin- β on survival, tumour progression and thromboembolic events in patients with cancer: an updated meta-analysis of 12 randomised controlled studies including 2301 patients

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- ✓ 2.297 pz (epo = 1.244; controllo = 1.053)
- ✓ 65% tumori solidi

✓ **Maggiore incidenza di eventi tromboembolici**

➤ **7% vs 4%**

✓ **Mortalità per eventi tromboembolici simile**

➤ **1% vs 1%**

Effect of epoetin- β on survival, tumour progression and TEEs

M Aapro *et al*

CONCLUSIONS

The results of this meta-analysis including all prospective, randomised studies conducted with epoetin- β in cancer patients showed no evidence for a significantly negative effect of epoetin- β treatment on survival in patients with metastatic cancer. Furthermore, there was no negative effect of epoetin- β on tumour progression. The risk of TEEs was consistent with the increased TEEs risk observed within the ESA class in general, with a higher incidence of TEEs in patients with solid tumours. Predefined subgroup analyses in patients with an initiation Hb level corresponding to the current EORTC treatment guidelines (i.e., $\text{Hb} \leq 11 \text{ g dl}^{-1}$) confirm the safety of epoetin- β in the treatment of anaemia in patients with metastatic cancers receiving concurrent chemotherapy when used within its licensed indication.

Venous Thromboembolism and Mortality Associated With Recombinant Erythropoietin and Darbepoetin Administration for the Treatment of Cancer-Associated Anemia

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Context The erythropoiesis-stimulating agents (ESAs) erythropoietin and darbepoetin are licensed to treat chemotherapy-associated anemia in patients with nonmyeloid malignancies. Although systematic overviews of trials have identified venous thromboembolism (VTE) risks, none have identified mortality risks with ESAs.

Objective To evaluate VTE and mortality rates associated with ESA administration for the treatment of anemia among patients with cancer.

Data Sources A published overview from the Cochrane Collaboration (search dates: January 1, 1985-April 1, 2005) and MEDLINE and EMBASE databases (key words: *clinical trial, erythropoietin, darbepoetin, and oncology*), the public Web site of the US Food and Drug Administration and ESA manufacturers, and safety advisories (search dates: April 1, 2005-January 17, 2008).

Study Selection Phase 3 trials comparing ESAs with placebo or standard of care for the treatment of anemia among patients with cancer.

Data Extraction Mortality rates, VTE rates, and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were extracted by 3 reviewers from 51 clinical trials with 13 611 patients that included survival information and 38 clinical trials with 8172 patients that included information on VTE.

Data Synthesis Patients with cancer who received ESAs had increased VTE risks (334 VTE events among 4610 patients treated with ESA vs 173 VTE events among 3562 control patients; 7.5% vs 4.9%; relative risk, 1.57; 95% CI, 1.31-1.87) and increased mortality risks (hazard ratio, 1.10; 95% CI, 1.01-1.20).

Conclusions Erythropoiesis-stimulating agent administration to patients with cancer is associated with increased risks of VTE and mortality. Our findings, in conjunction with basic science studies on erythropoietin and erythropoietin receptors in solid cancers, raise concern about the safety of ESA administration to patients with cancer.

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Quando iniziaria

Recommendation	ASCO/ASH ^[1]	NCCN ^[2]	EORTC ^[3]
Initiate ESA therapy	Hb \leq 10 g/dL (clinical decision if Hb $>$ 10 - \leq 12 g/dL)	Hb \leq 11 g/dL	Hb 9-11 g/dL (clinical decision if Hb \leq 11.9 g/dL)
Goal of treatment	Maintain Hb at or near 12 g/dL	Maintain between 10-12 g/dL	Target Hb should be 11-13 g/dL

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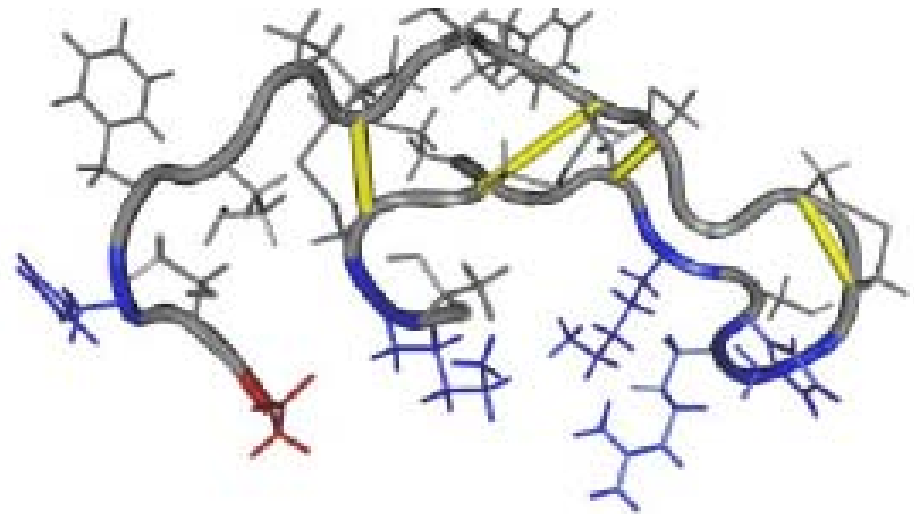
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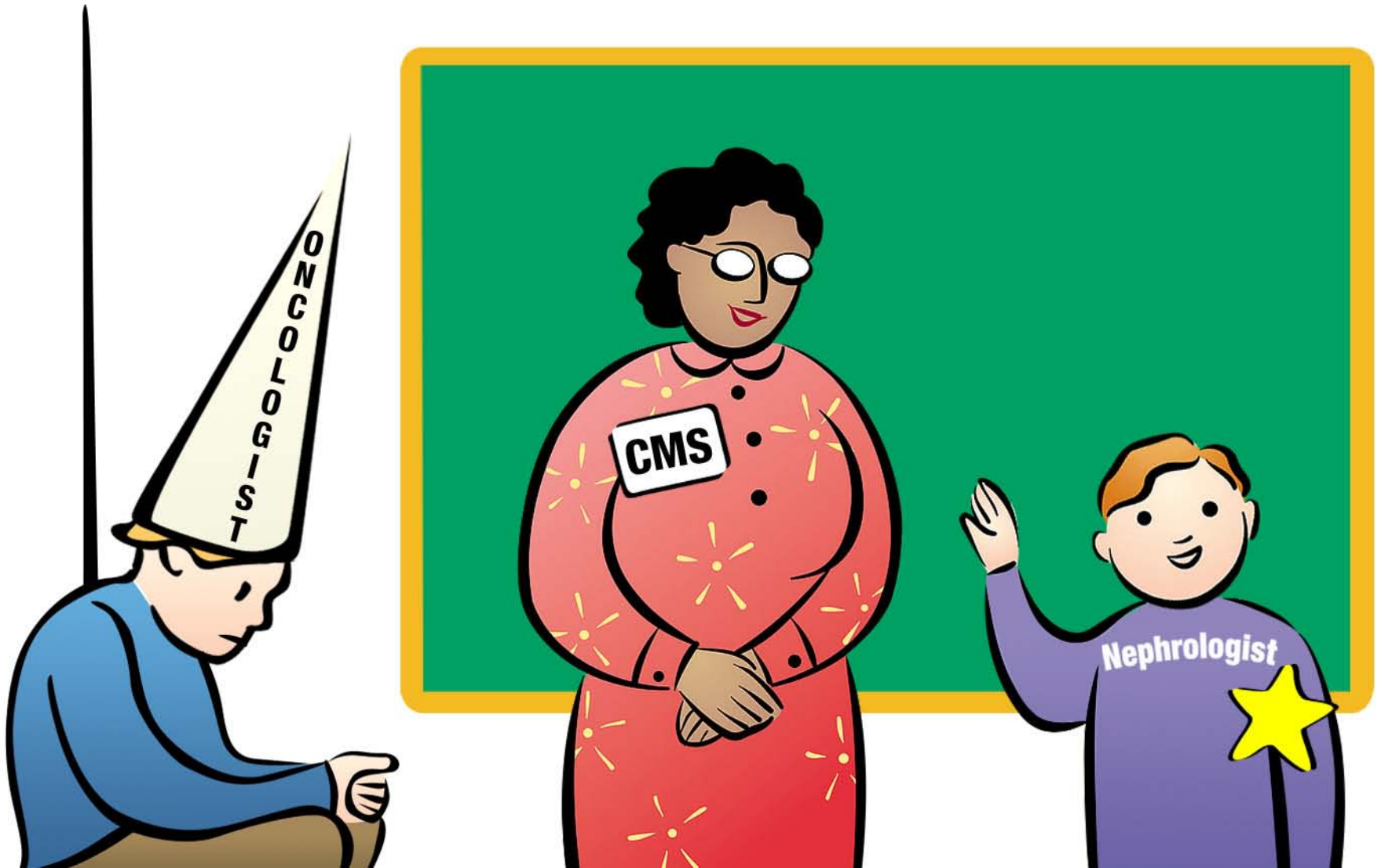


Hb < 10 g/dL

Epcidina: struttura e funzione

- ✓ Epcidina è una proteina sintetizzata dal fegato in seguito a segnali infiammatori, ossigenazione (anemia, ipossia)
- ✓ Epcidina inibisce l'assorbimento intestinale di Fe e il rilascio di Fe da parte dei macrofagi
- ✓ Epcidina viene escreta con le urine, dove può essere misurata





Courtesy P. Pedrazzoli

Randomized, Multicenter, Controlled Trial Comparing the Efficacy and Safety of Darbepoetin Alfa Administered Every 3 Weeks With or Without Intravenous Iron in Patients With Chemotherapy-Induced Anemia

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Randomized Trial of Intravenous Iron Supplementation in Patients With Chemotherapy-Related Anemia Without Iron Deficiency Treated With Darbepoetin Alfa

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Prima di iniziare il trattamento con agenti eritropoietici è necessario effettuare valutazione dello stato del ferro corporeo (Saturazione della transferrina, TSAT e ferritina) questo al fine di poter correggere, tramite adeguato supporto marziale per via endovenosa (EV), un eventuale carenza funzionale o assoluta di ferro nell'ambito di corretto impiego degli agenti eritropoietici.

Stato del ferro -linee guida

	AIOM 2009	ASCO/ASH	NCCN 2010
Parametri	TSAT, Ferritina	Sideremia, TSAT, Ferritina	Sideremia, TIBC, ferritina
supplementazione	Ferro ev	NR	Ferro ev

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La valutazione dello stato del ferro ha un'importanza cruciale per una corretta strategia terapeutica. Nei pazienti con carenza funzionale di ferro, la terapia con ESA è efficace solo se viene associata ad una terapia marziale per via EV . Nel paziente con carenza assoluta di ferro (TSAT <10 o ferritina al di sotto del range di normalità) è invece necessario anteporre una terapia marziale all'eventuale impiego degli ESA .

La terapia marziale

- ✓ La dose iniziale è di **125 mg di sodio ferrigluconato ev** breve ogni 1-2 settimane sino a raggiungere la dose di 750-1000 mg in pz con sideremia normale o 2000 mg in pz con carenza funzionale
- ✓ L'utilizzo del ferro ev è **controindicato in pz con sovraccarico marziale** (TSAT > 50% e ferritina > 1000)

La terapia marziale

- ✓ Il ferro somministrato per via orale è sostanzialmente inefficace nei pazienti con anemia associata a neoplasia

Addition of iron to erythropoiesis-stimulating agents in cancer patients: a meta-analysis of randomized trials

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Conclusion Overall parenteral iron reduces the risk of transfusions by 23% and increases the chance of hematopoietic response by 29% when compared with ESAs alone. On the contrary, oral iron does not increase hematopoietic response nor transfusion rate. The significance of these results is that the proportion of non-responders to ESAs will have strongly improved and quality of life and cost ameliorated.

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Il trattamento con ESA deve essere interrotto al raggiungimento dei 12 g/dl di Hb, quando è indicato interrompere il trattamento che poi andrà ripreso nel caso di una significativa riduzione dei livelli di Hb.

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Va sottolineato che in tutti gli studi clinici in cui è stata evidenziata un aumentato rischio per il paziente, gli ESA sono stati somministrati al di fuori delle indicazioni approvate in relazione ai valori iniziali e finali di Hb e all'uso degli ESA in soggetti che non ricevevano chemioterapia.

L'autorità regolatoria italiana (AIFA) non ha pertanto modificato le indicazioni all'uso degli ESA nell'anemia associata a chemioterapia con $Hb < 10g/dL$.



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- ✓ Treatment with ESA
 - reduces transfusion requirement
 - improves hematopoietic response
 - provide clinically meaningful improvements in overall health in patients receiving chemotherapy
 - increases the risk of thrombotic events
- ✓ ESA should not be given if $Hb > 12g/dL$
- ✓ When given according to guidelines ESA have no impact on survival

RIFLESSIONI PERSONALI

- **Anemia da CT**
- **Con HB < 10 g/dl**
- **Dopo studio metabolismo del ferro**
- **Stop a 12 g/dl**
- **Attenzione al tromboembolismo**

To be continued

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Minireview

Effects of erythropoietin receptors and erythropoiesis-stimulating agents on disease progression in cancer

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