

ALLIANCE A221208: Phase II Randomized Study of Bevacizumab vs. Steroids (BeSt) for Radionecrosis after Radiosurgery for Brain Mets

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Background

- ▶ ~ 10–30% patients develop brain radionecrosis following SRS¹
- ▶ Incidence of brain radionecrosis ↑ (longer survival, more high-dose RT, SRS, repeat RT)
- ▶ Corticosteroids are effective, but not for all patients
- ▶ Prolonged corticosteroids can be associated with ++ toxicity

Proposed mechanism:

VEGF ↑ → vascular permeability ↑ → edema, hypoxia ↑ → white matter necrosis

Bevacizumab

Clinical evidence:

- ▶ Small studies of bevacizumab for radionecrosis show radiological and clinical response²⁻⁴

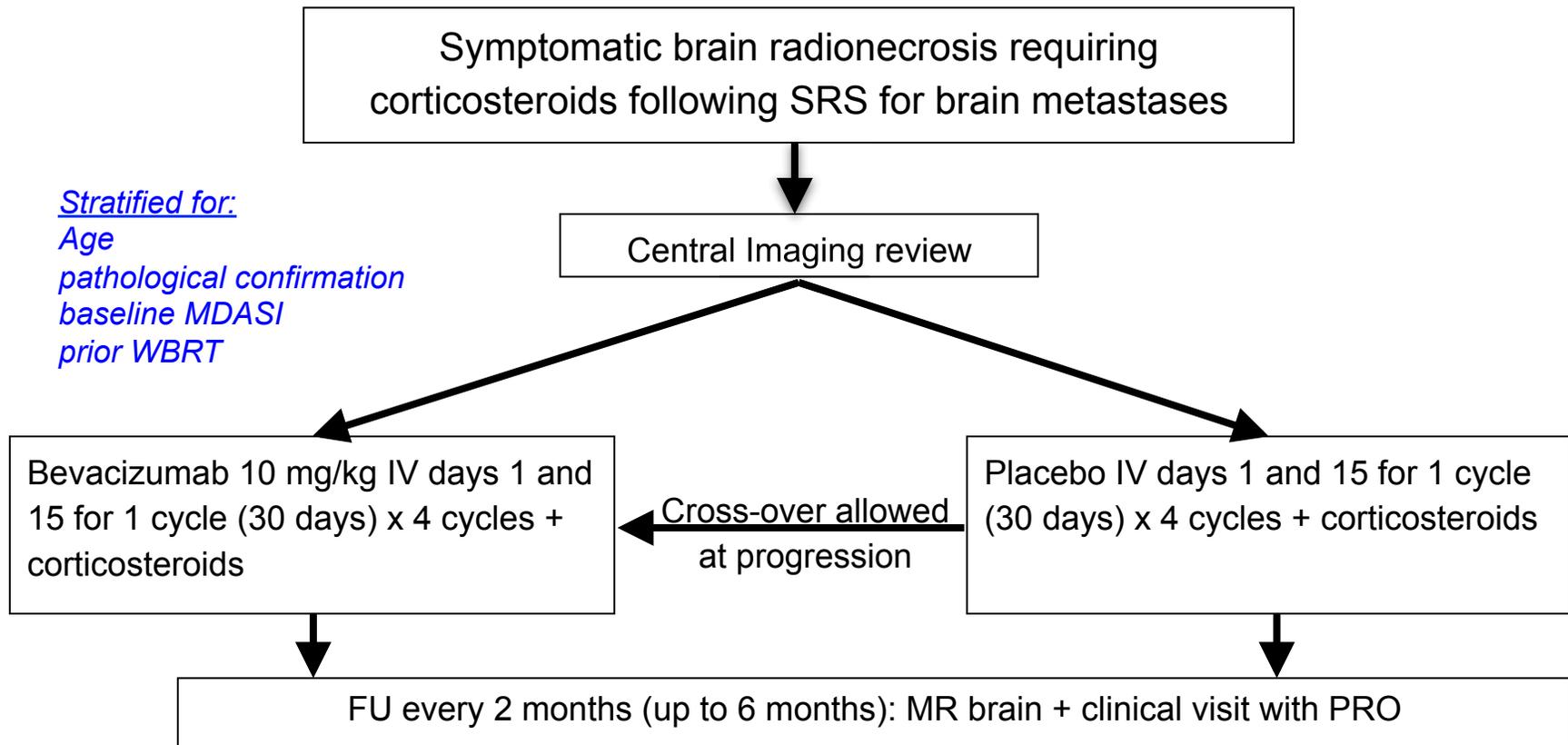
¹Shaw, E – IJROBP 2000 ²Gonzales J – IJROBP 2007 ³Wong ET – JCO 2008 ⁴Levin – IJROBP 2011

Hypothesis

- **Hypothesis: Bevacizumab will provide greater clinical and radiological improvement resulting in greater improvement in the severity of symptoms, neurological and cognitive impairment compared to conservative management with corticosteroids.**

Study Schema

Randomized phase II study of bevacizumab vs. steroid therapy in patients diagnosed with radionecrosis following radiosurgery. **N= 130, 65 per arm**



Drug is provided

Eligibility

Inclusion Criteria

- Symptomatic brain radionecrosis defined by onset of symptoms at 3–24 months post-SRS that requires steroid intervention and meets the following radiological criteria:
 - Lesion quotient < 0.3 ¹
 - DSC ²– At least 1:
 - rCBV < 1.5
 - PSR $\geq 76\%$
- Life expectancy > 6 months
- KPS $\geq 60\%$
- Acceptable organ function (bone marrow, renal, liver)

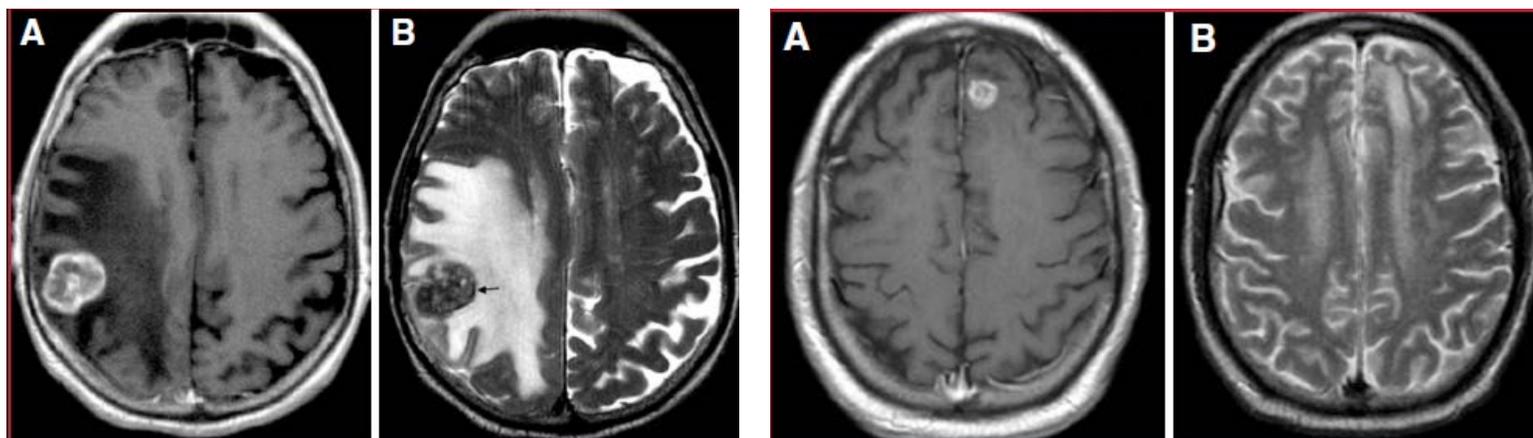
Exclusion Criteria

- Acute intracranial/intratatumoral hemorrhage
- Glioma or brain mets from melanoma, RCC
- Non-approved systemic therapies (2 wks prior to registration or planned < 1 mo after registration)
- **Except:** Maintenance herceptin or hormonal therapies OR ‘Approved systemic’ therapies [Appendix]

Standard C/I to bevacizumab:

- Major surgical procedure within 28 days or core biopsy within 7 days
- Pregnant or nursing
- PT INR > 1.5
- Bleeding diathesis, coagulopathy, non-healing wound/ulcer, bowel obstruction/fistula/GI perforation
- Significant cardiovascular disease
- Central lung met with xs active bleeding

Radiological Diagnosis of Radionecrosis: Conventional Imaging

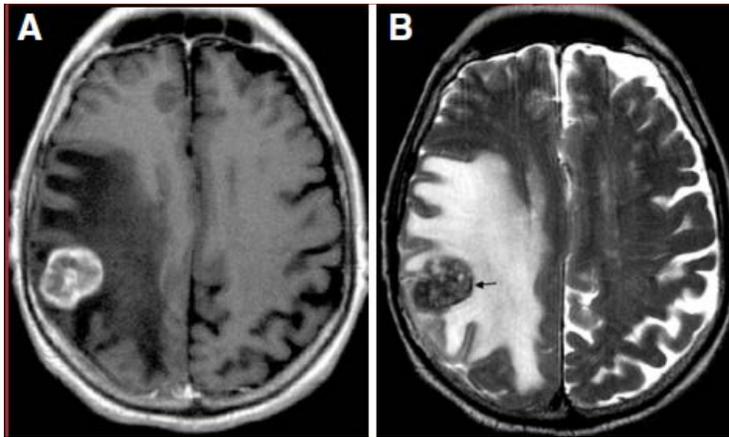


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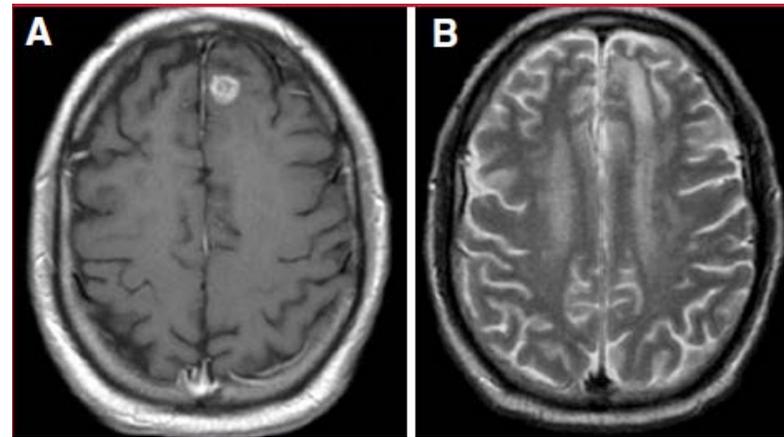
Stockham et al.
(n = 51 patients)

	Tumor (LQ>0.6)	Radionecrosis (LQ <0.3)
Sensitivity	59%	8%
Specificity	41%	91%
PPV	62%	25%
NPV	39%	73%

Radionecrosis & Conventional Imaging: Lesion Quotient



LQ > 0.6 in tumor

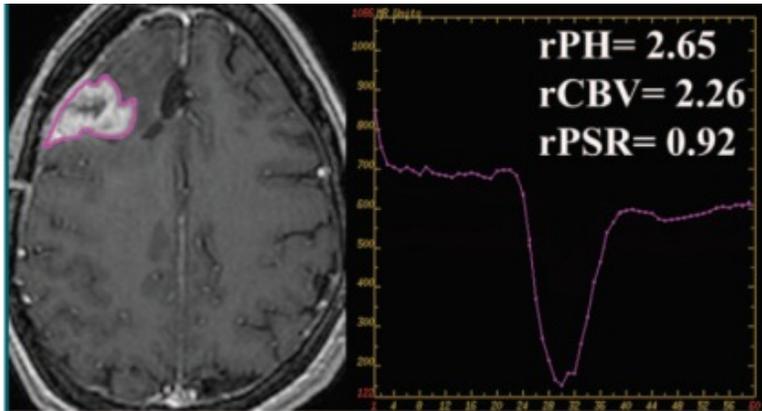


LQ < 0.3 in 80% of radionecrosis

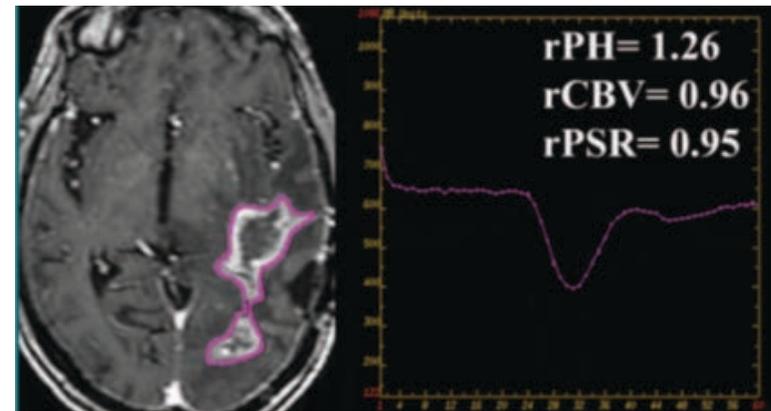
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Radionecrosis & Perfusion Imaging

Eligibility Criteria: $rCBV < 1.5$
 $PSR \geq 76\%$



Tumor



Radionecrosis

DSC Perfusion MR Imaging Measurements

Final Diagnosis	rCBV			rPSR		
	Mean ^a	Maximum ^a	Minimum ^a	Mean ^b	Maximum ^b	Minimum ^b
Recurrent tumor	2.38 ± 0.87 (2.13, 2.63)	8.16 ± 2.92 (7.31, 9.01)	1.61 ± 0.65 (1.42, 1.80)	80.2 ± 10.3 (77.2, 83.2)	92.5 ± 18.8 (87.1, 97.9)	68.8 ± 10.9 (65.6, 72.0)
Radiation necrosis	1.57 ± 0.67 (1.28, 1.86)	4.63 ± 1.98 (3.76, 5.50)	0.94 ± 0.34 (0.79, 1.09)	89.3 ± 12.4 (83.9, 94.7)	100 ± 12.0 (94.7, 105.3)	77.2 ± 15.0 (70.6, 83.8)

Endpoints

▶ ***Primary Endpoint***

- Improvement in patient-reported symptoms measured by MDASI-BT global symptom score (baseline then weeks 2, 4, 6, and 8)

▶ ***Secondary Endpoint(s)***

- Toxicities: CTCAE version 4.0 & DSQ-C
- QoL: LASA, MDASI-BT symptoms and interference scores
- PFS (progression = restart higher dose steroids or alternative tx)
- Time to maximum radiographic response
- Corticosteroid requirements

▶ ***Correlative Endpoints:***

- **Biofluid Biomarkers:** angiogenic factors:
 - Angiogenic markers: VEGF-A, B, C, D, angiopoietin-1 and 2, PDGF
 - inflammatory cytokines (TNF- α , TGF- β , IL1, and IL6)
 - genetic markers (Apo E)
- **Imaging Biomarker Measures:** DWI (ADC), DCE (Ktrans, iAUC)

Progress Update

- ▶ Central study activation April 29, 2016
- ▶ Note:
 - Drug is provided for initial randomization & cross-over
 - Correlative biomarker studies are optional
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