

Quality assessment							No of patients		Effect		Quality	Importance
No of studies	Design	Risk of bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Other considerations	Short course RT 2x 8 Gy	Split course RT 3x 5Gy 5x 3Gy	Relative (95% CI)	Absolute		
<b>Pain (assessed with: (responders))</b>												
1	randomised trials	serious <sup>1</sup>	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious <sup>2</sup>	none	80/142 (56.3%)	79/134 (59%) 0%	RR 0.96 (0.78 to 1.17)	2 fewer per 100 (from 13 fewer to 10 more)	■■■■ LOW	CRITICAL
<b>Mobility (assessed with: Responders)</b>												
1	randomised trials	serious <sup>1</sup>	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious <sup>2</sup>	none	97/142 (68.3%)	95/134 (70.9%) 0%	RR 0.96 (0.82 to 1.13)	28 fewer per 1000 (from 128 fewer to 92 more)	■■■■ LOW	CRITICAL
<b>Respons duration (follow-up median 3.5 months)</b>												
1	randomised trials	serious <sup>1</sup>	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious <sup>2</sup>	none	0/142 (0%)	0/134 (0%) 0%	-	-	■■■■ LOW	CRITICAL
<b>Neurological respons (Better indicated by lower values)</b>												
0	No evidence available					none	142	134	-	-		CRITICAL
<b>Toxicity- Diarrhea Grade 3</b>												
1	randomised trials	serious <sup>1</sup>	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious <sup>2,3</sup>	none	2/142 (1.4%)	2/134 (1.5%) 0%	RR 0.94 (0.13 to 6.61)	0.79 fewer per 100 (from 3.3 fewer to 1.7 more)	■■■■ LOW	CRITICAL
<b>Progression Free Survival</b>												
0	No evidence available					none	-	- 0%	-	-		IMPORTANT
<b>Bladder function (assessed with: responders)</b>												
1	randomised trials	serious <sup>1</sup>	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious <sup>2</sup>	none	128/142 (90.1%)	119/134 (88.8%)	RR 1.02 (0.94 to 1.1)	1.35 more per 100 (from 5.91 fewer to 8.58 more)	■■■■ LOW	IMPORTANT

								0%		-		
<b>Toxicity- Esophagitis</b>												
1	randomised trials	serious <sup>1</sup>	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious <sup>3</sup>	none	1/142 (0.7%)	2/134 (1.5%)	RR 0.47 (0.13 to 5.14)	1 fewer per 100 (from 1 fewer to 6 more)	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		

<sup>1</sup> blinding not reported

<sup>2</sup> low number of patients, the confidence interval crossed the clinical decision threshold between the short course Radiotherapy and split course Radiotherapy

<sup>3</sup> low number of events