

Quality assessment							No of patients		Effect		Quality	Importance
No of studies	Design	Risk of bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Other considerations	30 Gy 10 x in 2 weeks RT	40 Gy 20 x in 4 weeks RT	Relative (95% CI)	Absolute		
Pain												
0	No evidence available			1		none	-	0%	-	-		CRITICAL
Mobility- Ambulatory directly after RT												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	66/110 (60%)	67/104 (64.4%)	RR 0.93 (0.76 to 1.15)	4.42 fewer per 100 (from 1.74 fewer to 8.6 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Mobility - Ambulatory 3 months after RT												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	63/93 (67.7%)	65/91 (71.4%)	RR 0.95 (0.78 to 1.15)	3.69 fewer per 100 (from 16.9 fewer to 9.6 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Mobility - Ambulatory 6 months after RT												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	57/76 (75%)	57/72 (79.2%)	RR 0.95 (0.79 to 1.13)	4.17 fewer per 100 (from 17.7 fewer to 9.3 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Respons duration												
0	No evidence available					none	-	-	-	-		CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Toxicity												
0	No evidence available					none	-	-	-	-		CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Progression Free survival												
0	No evidence available					none	-	-	-	-		IMPORTANT
								0%		-		
Bladder function												
0	No evidence available					none	-	-	-	-		IMPORTANT

	available							0%		-		
Motor function- directly after RT improvement												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	47/110 (42.7%)	43/104 (41.3%)	RR 1.03 (0.75 to 1.42)	1.38 fewer per 100 (from 11.85 fewer to 14.6 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Motor function- directly after RT no change												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	33/110 (30%)	37/104 (35.6%)	RR 0.84 (0.57 to 1.24)	5.58 fewer per 100 (from 18.15 fewer to 6.99 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Motor function- 3 months after RT improvement												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	46/93 (49.5%)	42/91 (46.2%)	RR 1.07 (0.79 to 1.45)	3.31 more per 100 (from 11.12 fewer to 17.74 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Motor function- 3 months after RT no change												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	26/93 (28%)	33/91 (36.3%)	RR 0.77 (0.5 to 1.18)	8.31 fewer per 100 (from 21.75 fewer to 5.14 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
motor function- 6 months after RT improvement												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	42/76 (55.3%)	37/72 (51.4%)	RR 1.08 (0.79 to 1.46)	3.87 more per 100 (from 121.19 fewer to 19.94 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		
Motor function- 6 months after RT no change												
1	observational studies	serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	24/76 (31.6%)	26/72 (36.1%)	RR 0.87 (0.56 to 1.37)	4.53 fewer per 100 (from 19.77 fewer to 10.71 more)	□□□□ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
								0%		-		

¹ No blinding reported

² low number of patients and the confidence interval crossed the clinical decision threshold between the two courses of radiotherapy