



Personalizing Local Treatment of Soft Tissue Sarcoma

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Through the 1950s standard personalized therapy for STS was amputation two joints above the lesion



This was also the time when new, non-surgical approaches were launched

A Critical Review of the Management of Soft-Tissue Sarcomas

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The first published use of chemotherapy in STS?

CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC AGENTS USED IN TREATMENT OF PATIENTS
WITH SOFT TISSUE SARCOMAS

Agents	Anatomic Site	Histologic diagnosis	Number of cases	Dosage and Route of administration	Results
ALKALATING:					
Nitromin	Extremities	Fibrosarcoma, Unclassified,	4	I.V., 350 to 1,500 mg. over 30-day period	Negative to minimal regression in all but 2 patients. The first with fibrosarcoma of trunk had marked regression with 175 mg. of PAM I.V. in divided doses. The second patient with lymphangiosarcoma following radical mastectomy had clinically complete regression after perfusion with 50 mg. of PAM and 10 mg. of HN2. Two foci found in amputated arm.
Nitrogen mustard	Trunk	Liposarcoma,	7	Perfusion, 10 to 50 mg. I.V., 10 to 20 mg.	
	Buttock	Angiosarcoma, Synovial sarcoma, Lymphangio-sarcoma,			
Phenylalanine mustard	Head	Postrad. mastectomy, Rhabdomyo-sarcoma	7	Orally, 20 mg. Perfusion, 50 to 100 mg. I.V., 20 to 50 mg.	
ThioTepa			1	Injected into tumor 8 mg. \times 2	
ANTIMETABOLITE:					
Amethopterin	Head	Rhabdomyo-sarcoma,	1	I.V., 2.5 mg. \times 8	No objective regression
	Buttock	Angiosarcoma	1	I.V., 2.5 mg. \times 14	
ANTIBIOTIC:					
Actinomycin-D	Trunk	Fibrosarcoma,	5	I.V. in divided doses totaling 250 to 5,500 gamma	Temporary regression in case of rhabdomyosarcoma given Actinomycin-D. 950 gamma given I.V. prophylactically to 16-month-old child after radical wide excision of lesion of arm.
	Extremity	Angiosarcoma,			
Carzinophilin	Head	Rhabdomyo-sarcoma	2	105,000 units total dose I.V. over 3-wk. period	
	Buttock				
STEROID:					
Cortisone				15 mg. every 5 hours \times 5	Used in some cases with HN2 in an attempt to potentiate the action of HN2. Unable to evaluate.
Combination of above agents		In several cases, more than one agent has been tried.			No added benefit

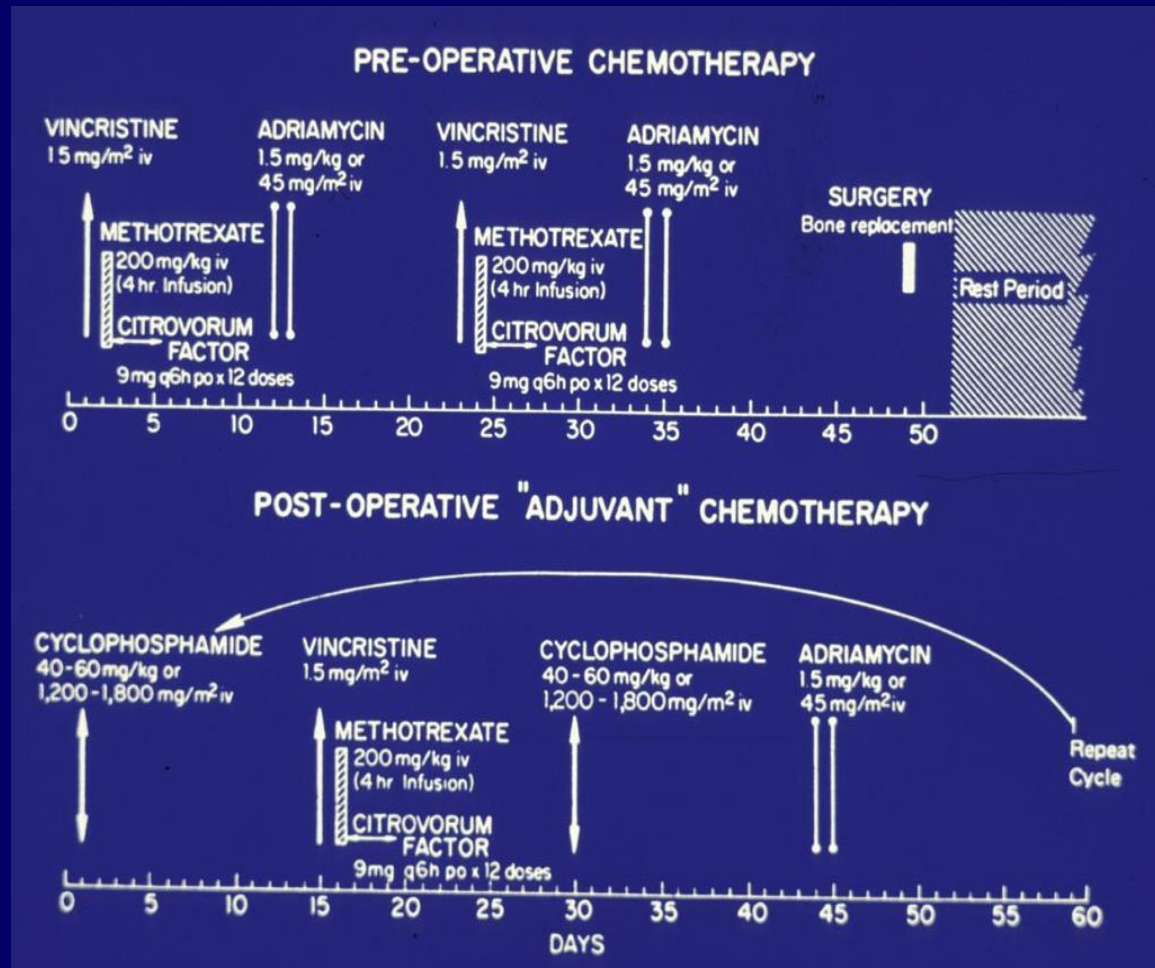
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an extension of primary local therapy**

CHEMOTHERAPY, *EN BLOC* RESECTION, AND
PROSTHETIC BONE REPLACEMENT IN THE
TREATMENT OF OSTEOGENIC SARCOMA

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Cancer 37:1-11, 1976.

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From pediatric bone we extrapolated to adult soft tissue...

Neoadjuvant chemotherapy as an extension of primary local therapy

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Preoperative Chemotherapy for Soft-tissue Sarcomas of the Extremities

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Neoadjuvant chemotherapy as an extension of primary local therapy

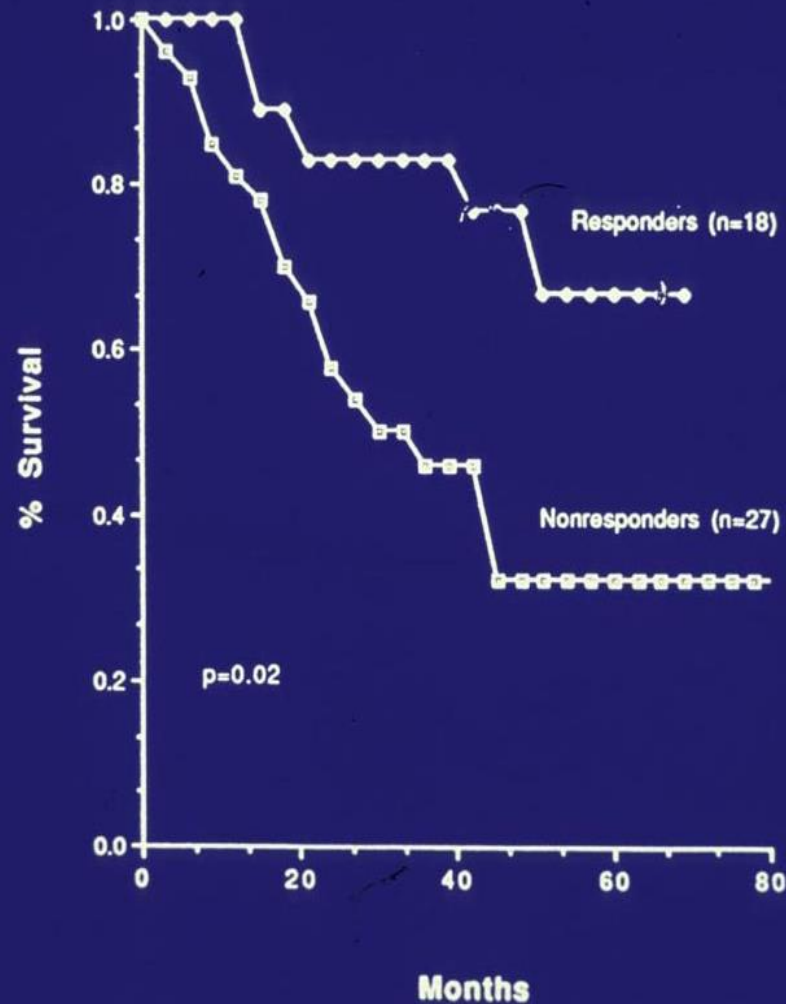


FIG. 4. Overall survival based on clinical response to preoperative chemotherapy.

Personalizing local treatment of STS: role of radiotherapy (condensed version)

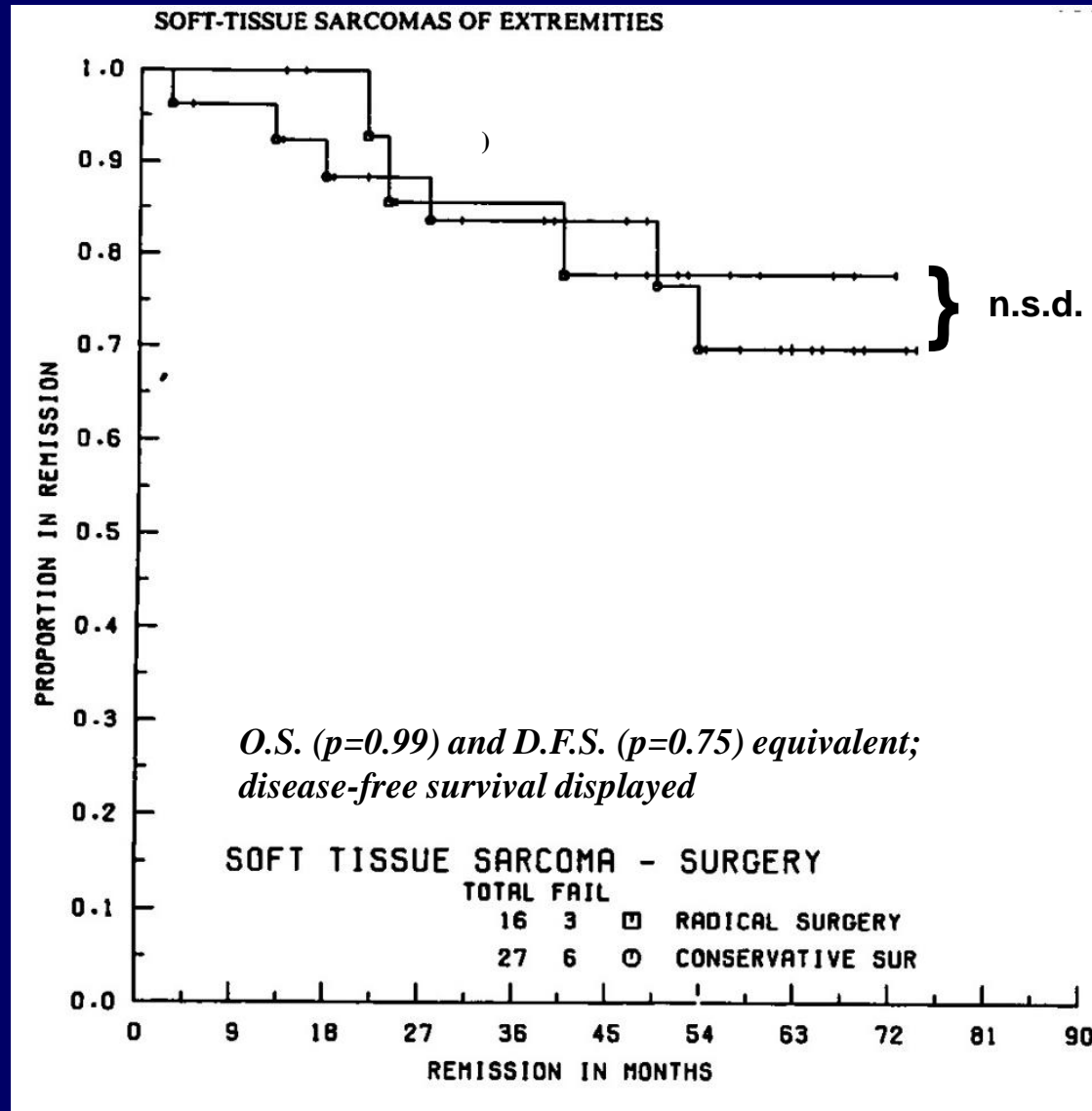


"Since most soft tissue sarcomas are radio resistant, roentgen therapy as a definitive treatment or in conjunction with surgical treatment is not used."

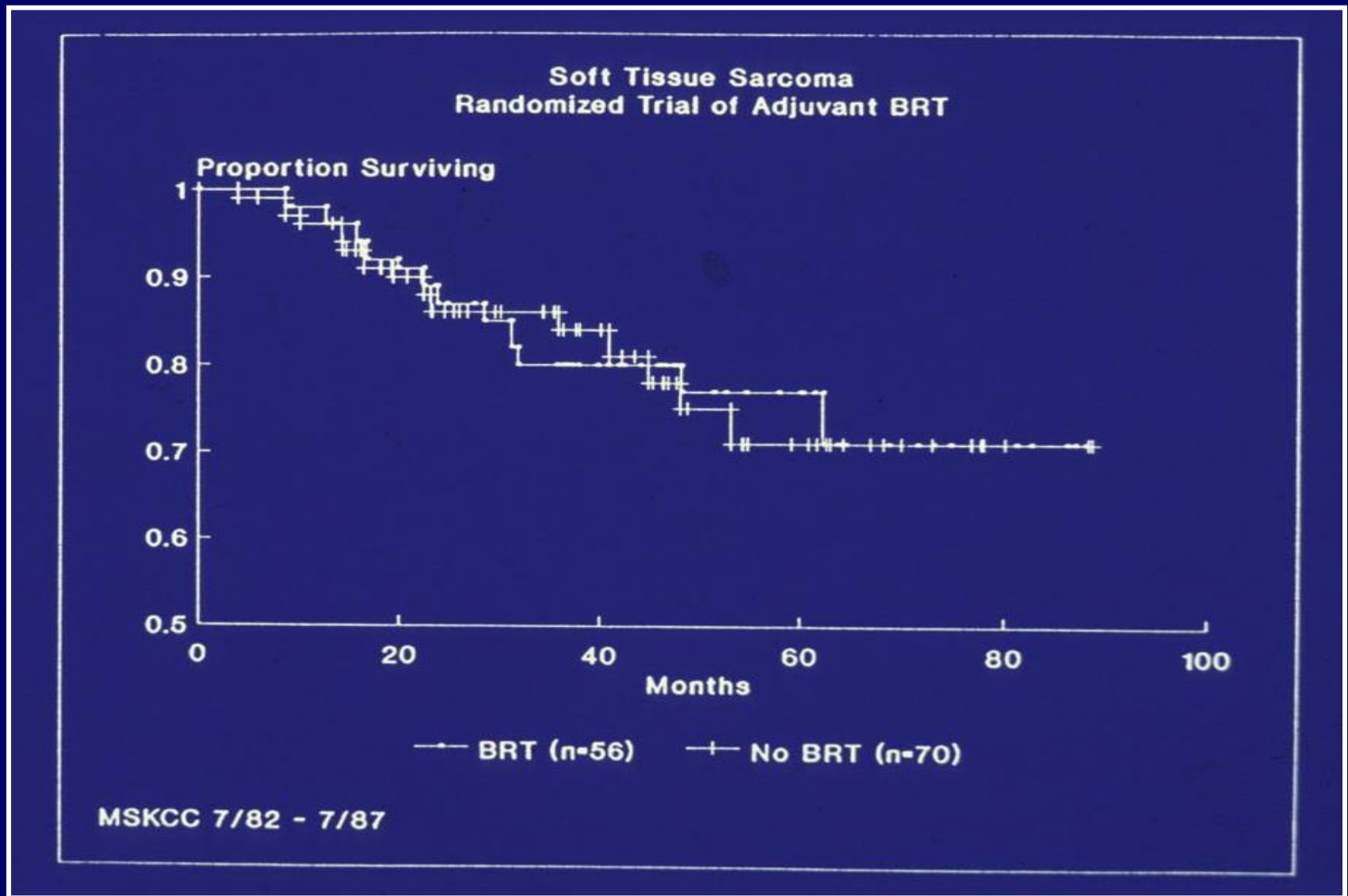
Clark, et. al., 1959

1962: first MD Anderson Cancer Center sarcoma patient treated with external beam radiotherapy

In 1982, Rosenberg report that there was n.s.d.
for amputation vs LSS/XRT in extremity STS



We now know that XRT decreases local recurrence



Brennan et al: Ann Surg 1991

Pre-op vs post-op XRT: the PMH trial

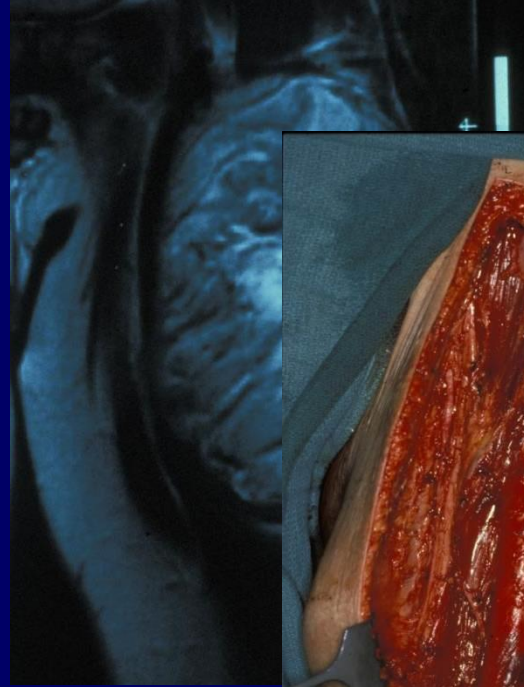
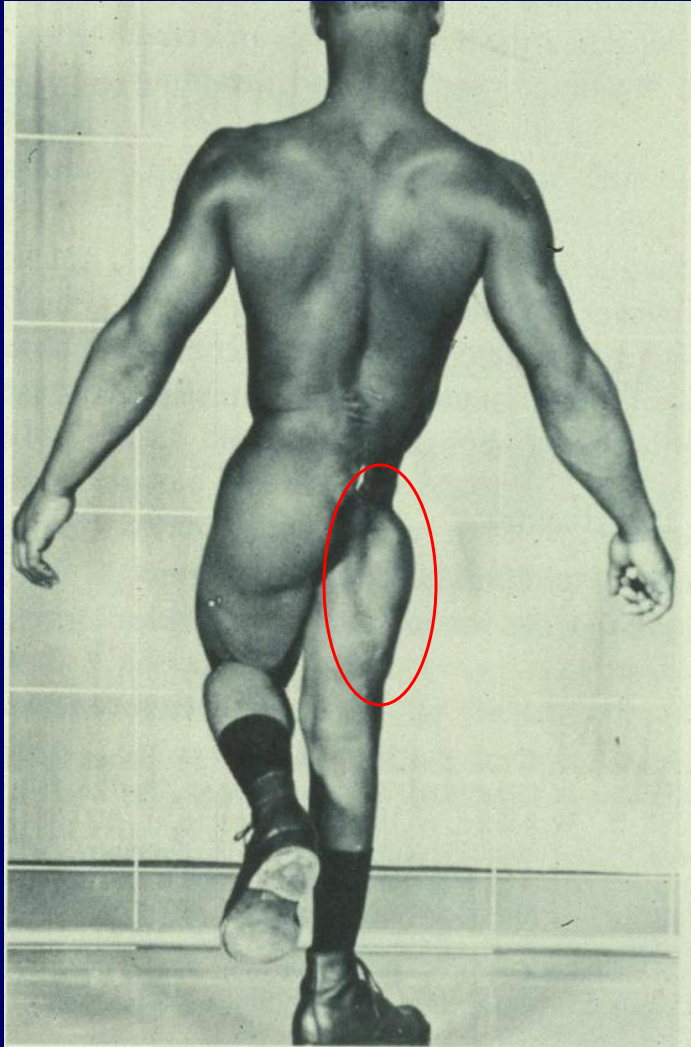
- **Randomized pre-op (50 Gy) vs post-op (66Gy); 1995-97**
- **Early wound complication stop point in pre-op arm**
- **At five and ten years no difference in d.f.s or o.s.**
- **Limb function markedly better in pre-op arm (T.E.S.S.)**

(O'Sullivan et al; Lancet 2002, 2005)

Personalizing local treatment of STS: role of surgery



In the early 1960S radical compartment resection introduced by Enneking; still in use today...



Rectus rotational flap

Personalization possibilities enhanced by advent of microvascular reconstruction in the 1990s

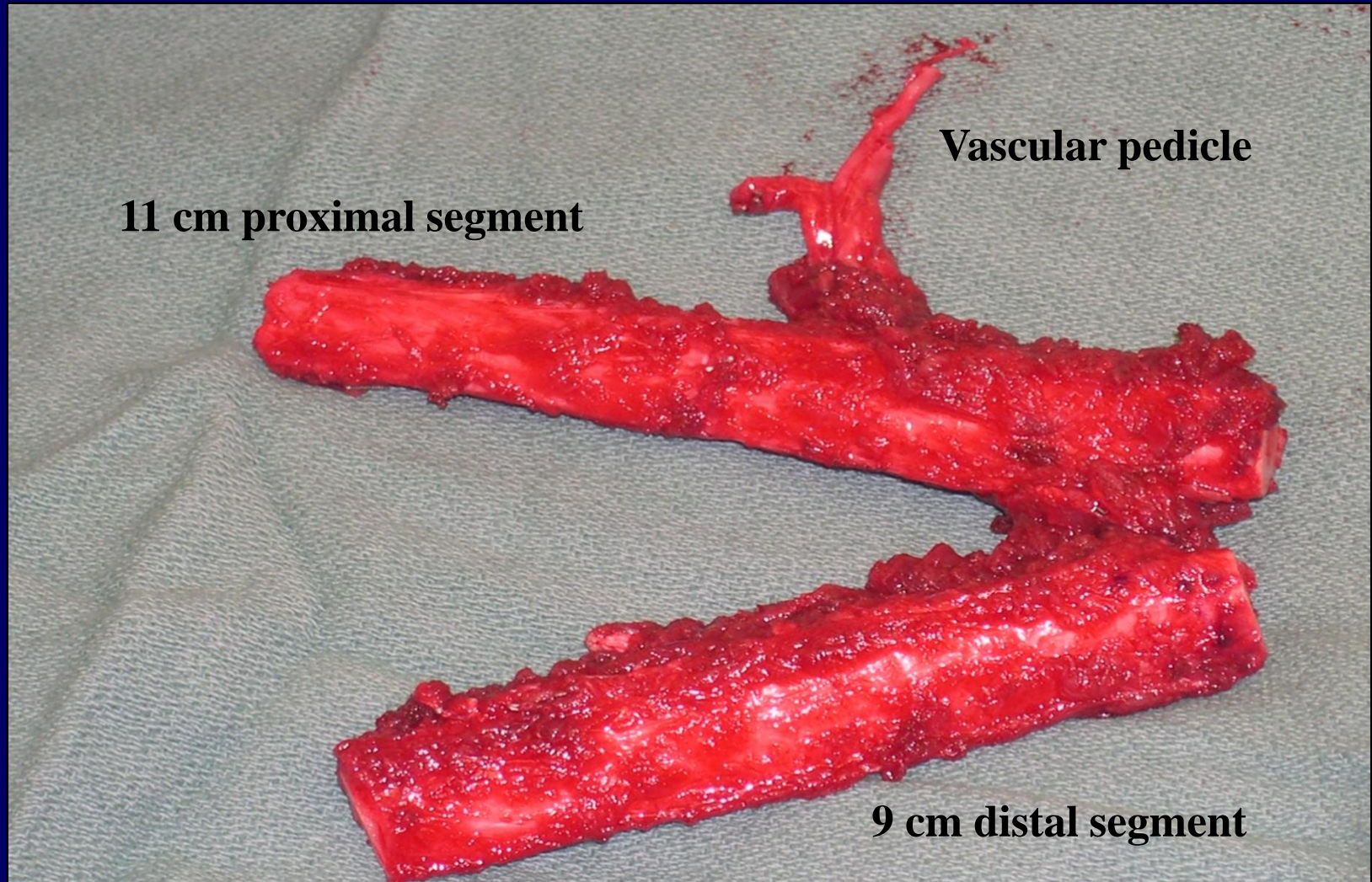


Another example: 1980s internal hemipelvectomy

30 lbs Buck's traction x 3 weeks

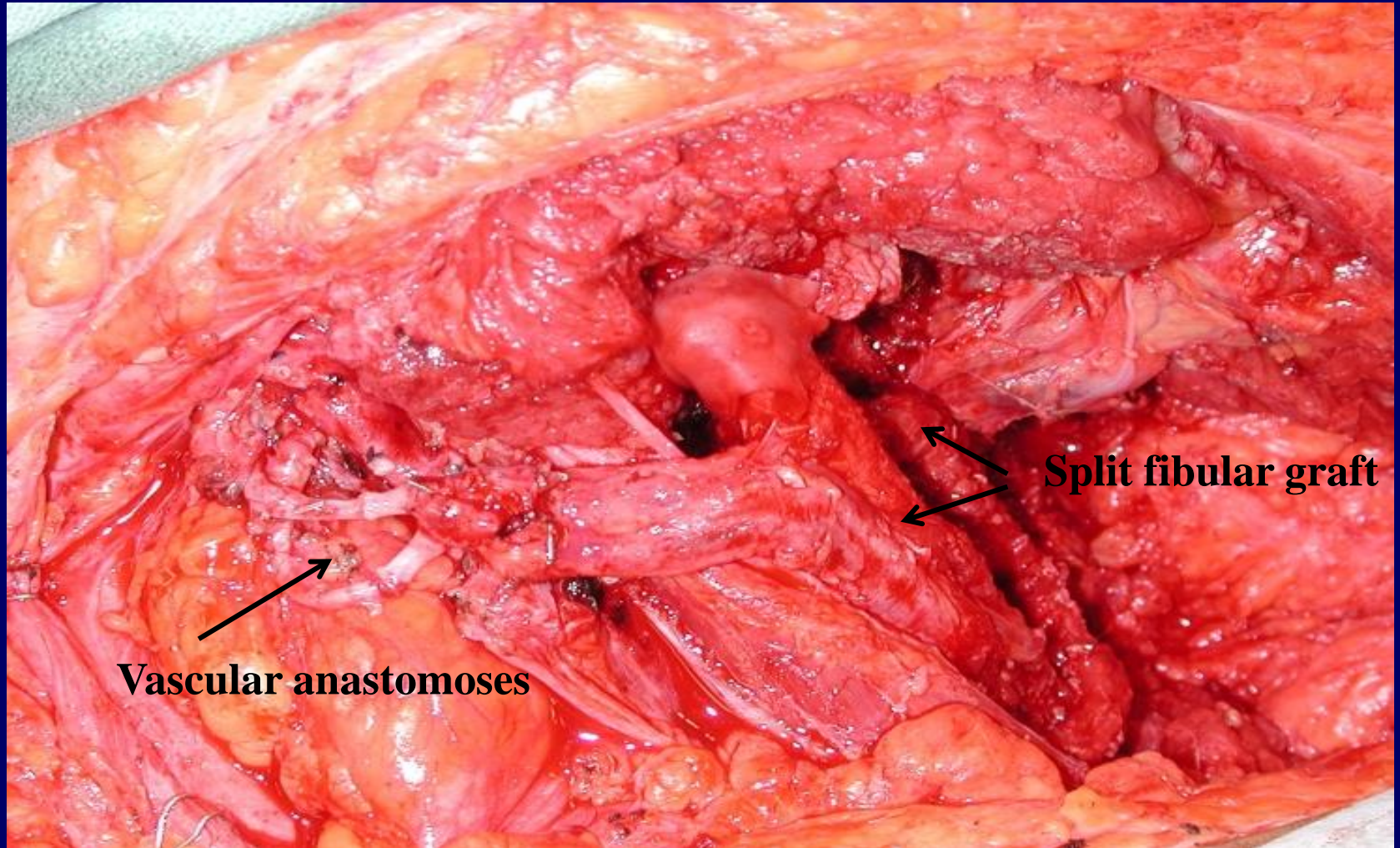


Internal hemipelvectomy, circa 2014: vascularized split fibular graft



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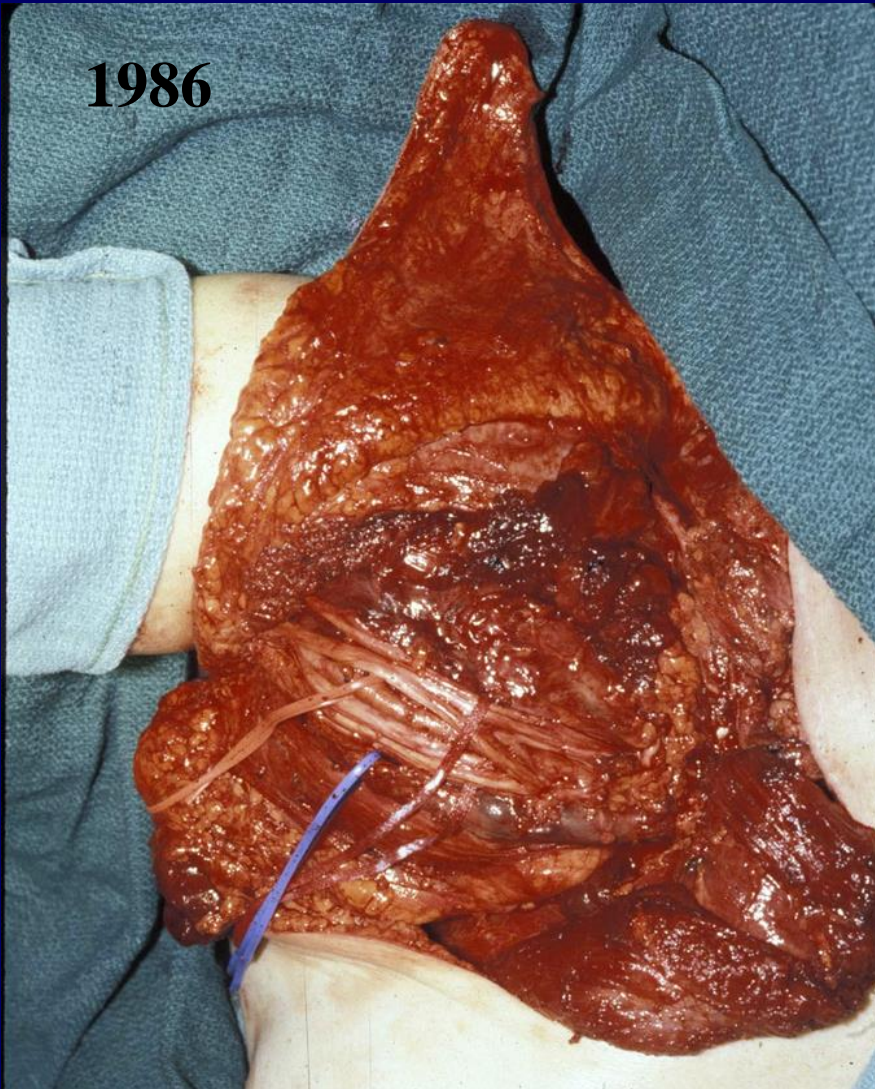
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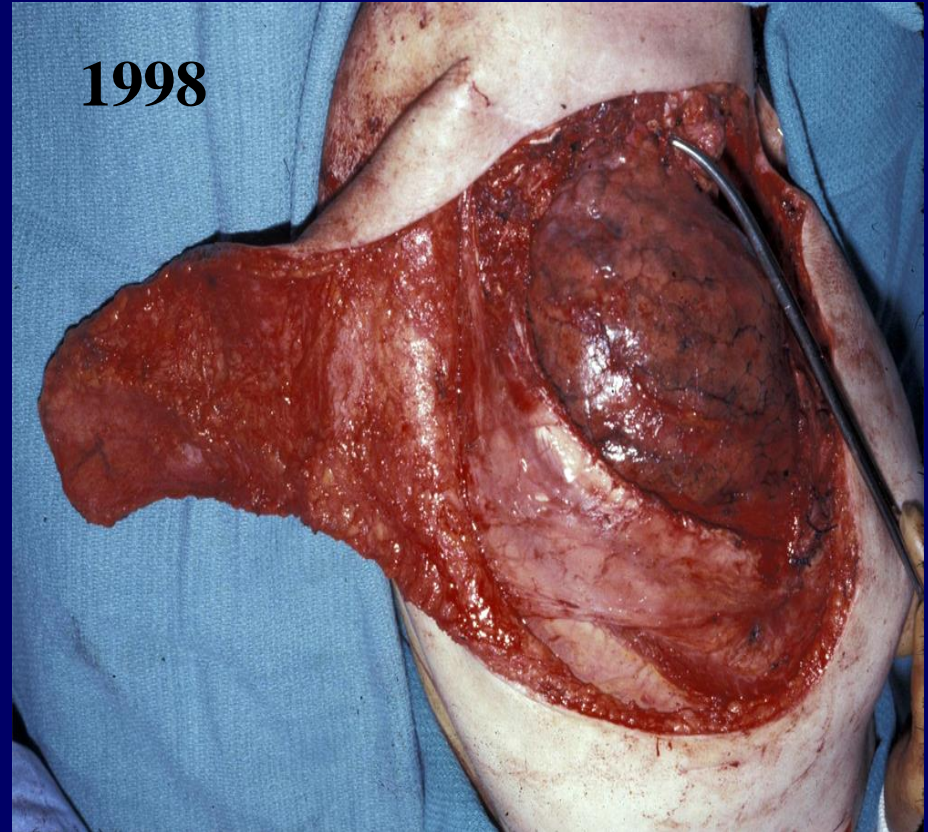
Personalization of local therapies based on (favorable) STS tumor biology

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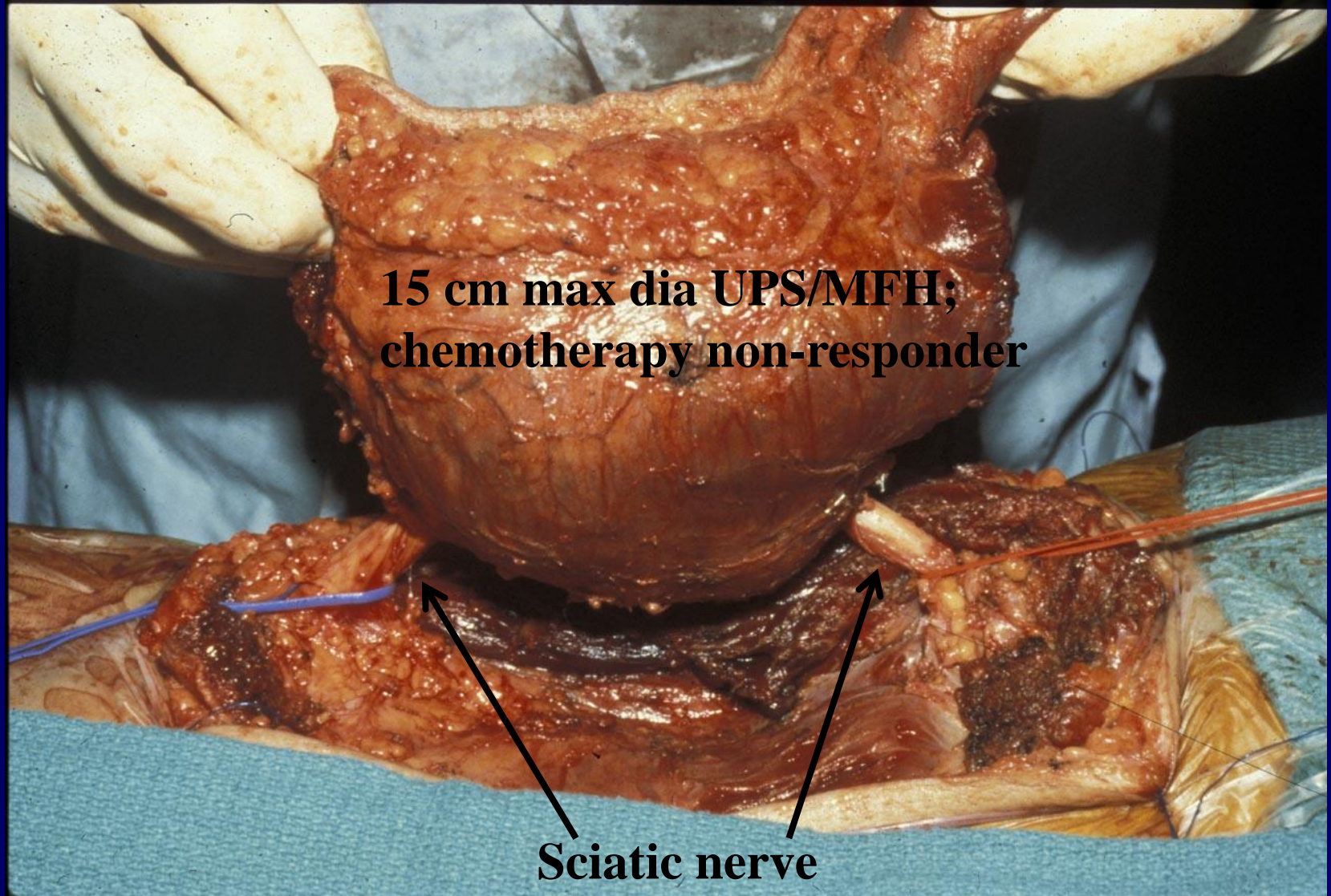


- Favorable histology
- Indolent clinical course

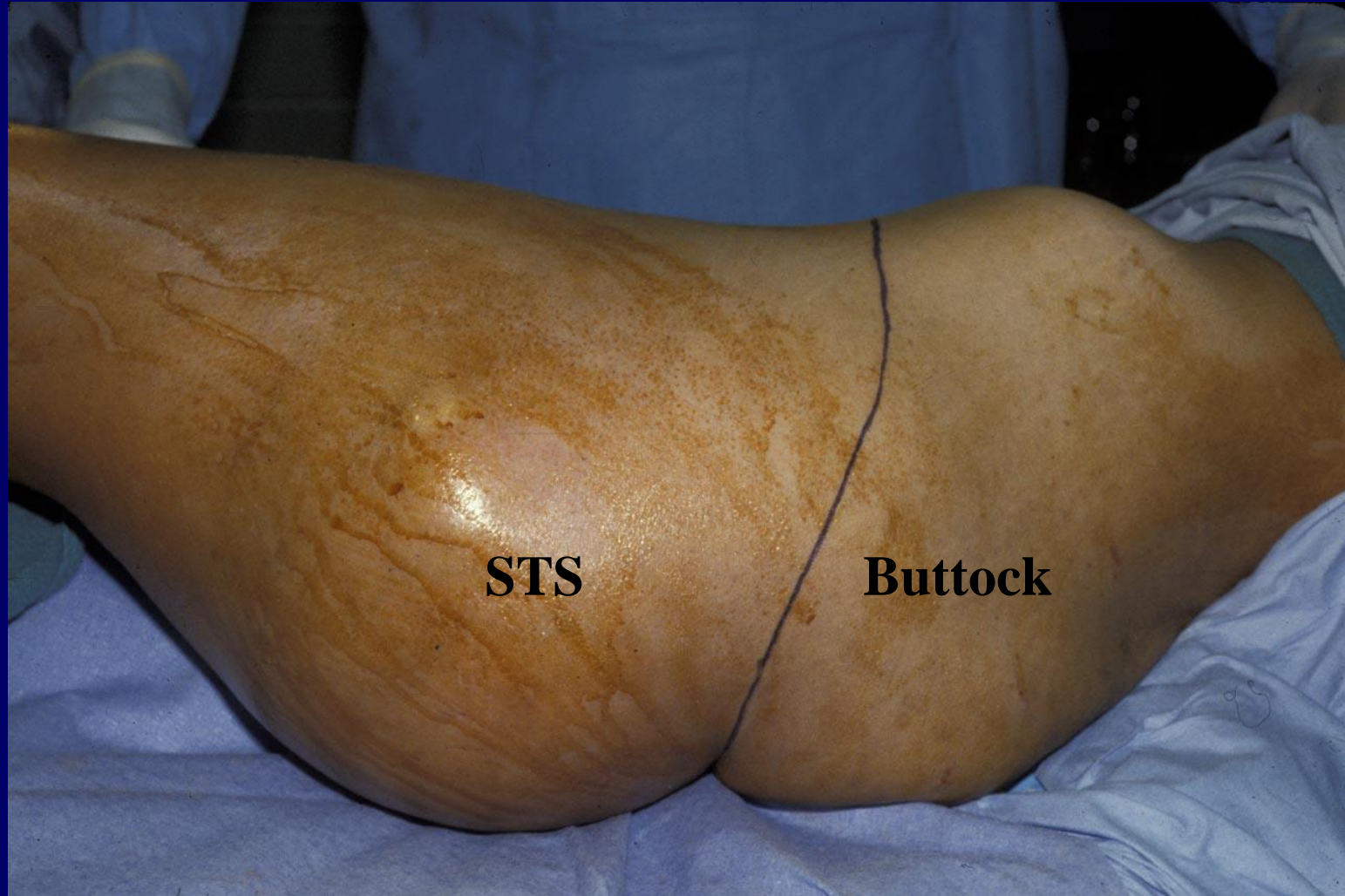
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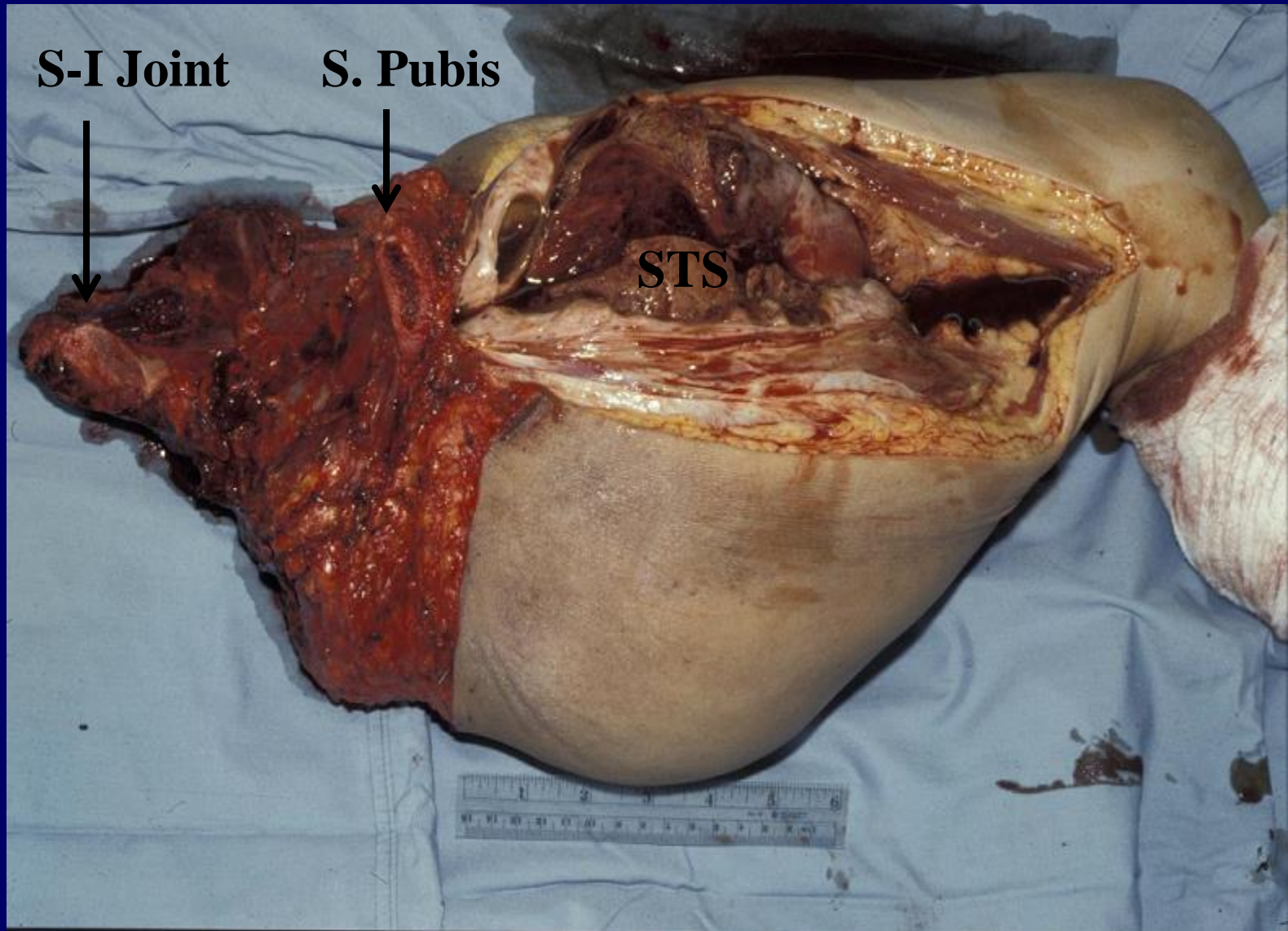
Personalization of local therapies based on (unfavorable) STS tumor biology



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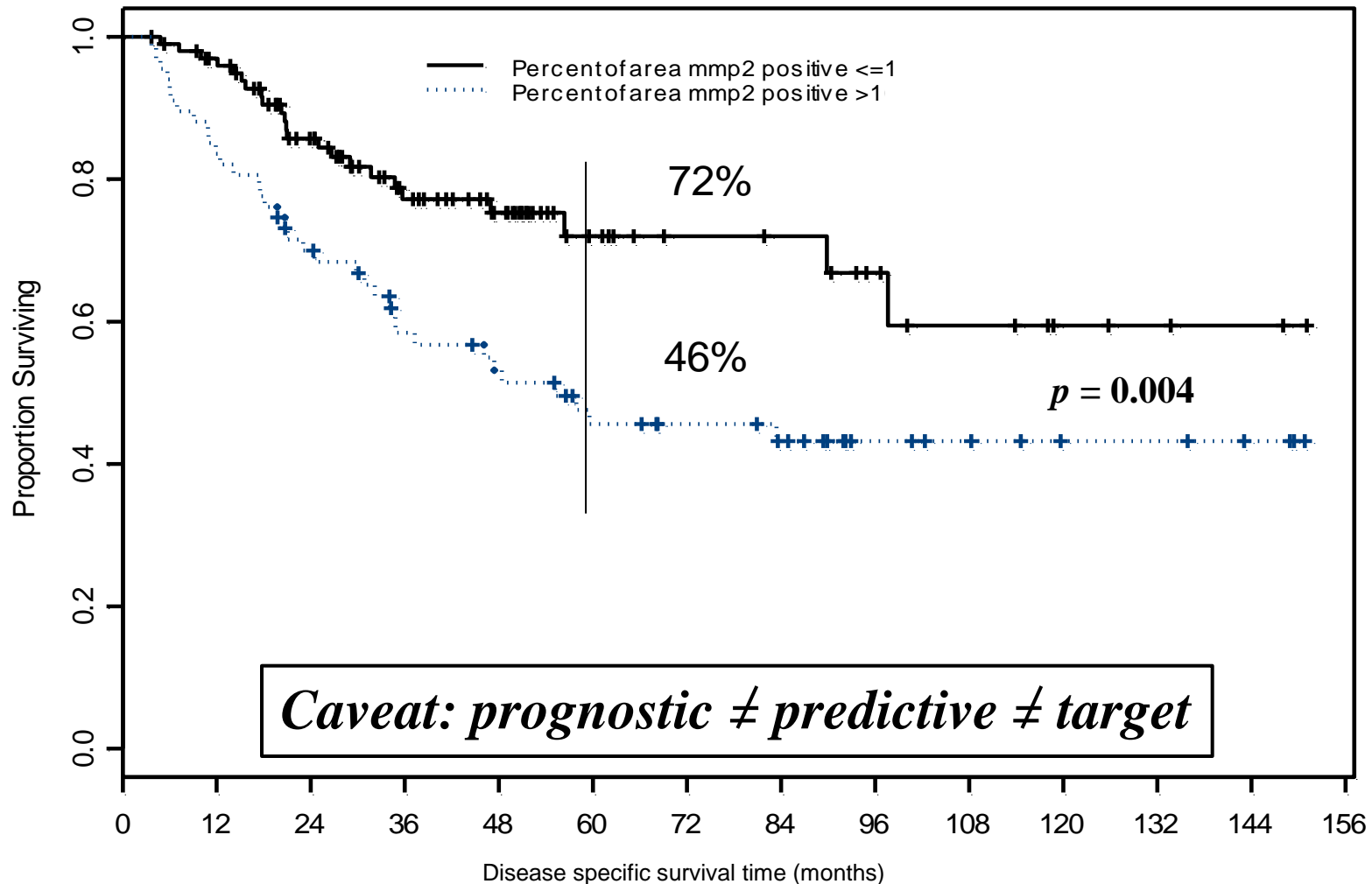
Personalizing local treatment of STS requires prospective multi-disciplinary planning

- Where is the boundary between cure and palliation?
- How should this be decided?
- Who should be involved in this assessment?



Molecular-targeted ext. STS therapy is the future!

TMA-derived data for 257 stage III STS treated at MDACC



Thank you for your attention!





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