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International comparison of treatment and survival for pleural mesothelioma, combined analysis of 9.104 patients from Belgium, The Netherlands and England





Presentation

- MPM is refractory to treatment
- Differences in care and treatment exist
- Novel chemotherapy treatment can effect outcome
- 3 countries were examined in the period 2007-2011: Belgium 900 cases in 3 years; Netherlands 2.306 cases in 4 years
 United Kingdom 5.808 in 4 years





Results

	Belgium	Netherlands	United Kingdom
Age > 70 years Male gender		59% 84%	
Chemotherapy	53%	41%	37%
OS (months)	10.6	9.5	9.2
Cases	900	2306	5808
Population (2008-10) in Millions	10.9	16.7	61.8



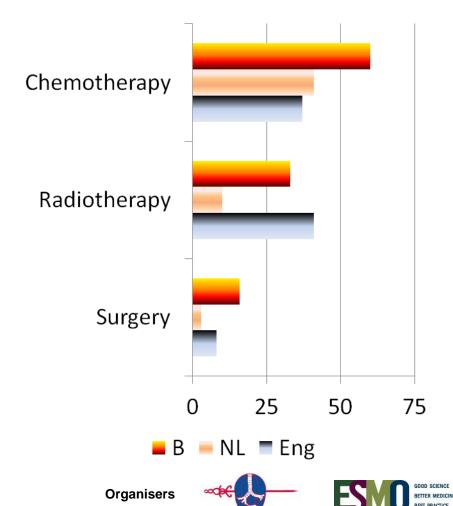


Results

More CT in Belgium

More RT in the UK

 More surgery in Belgium

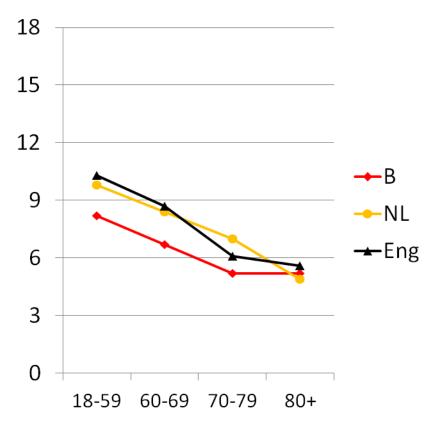


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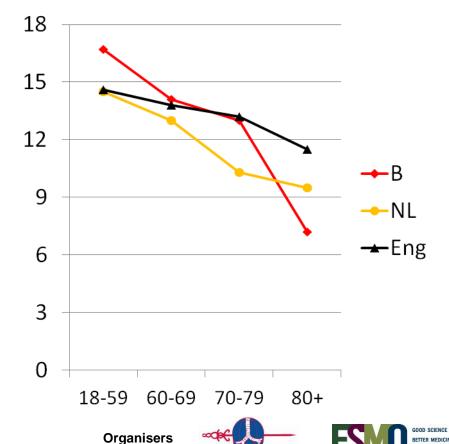
Median survival by country, age-group and treatment with chemotherapy

Without chemotherapy



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With chemotherapy



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	PRO	CON
Study set-up	Observational study 3 countries	Selected countries
Relevance	informative	Practice change?
# of cases/year (cancer registry)	Representative and complete	Belgium 300 Netherlands 450 United Kingdom 2500
Treatment eagerness??	Belgium	Netherlands
Survival	Same when corrected for CT and age	No improvement







Conclusion and Needs

- Good introspection; have to examine other countries
- Treatment differences exist but do they effect outcome?
- Must have been easy to do for a:





