

# **Outcomes of Smoking Cessation Treatment After a Cancer Diagnosis**

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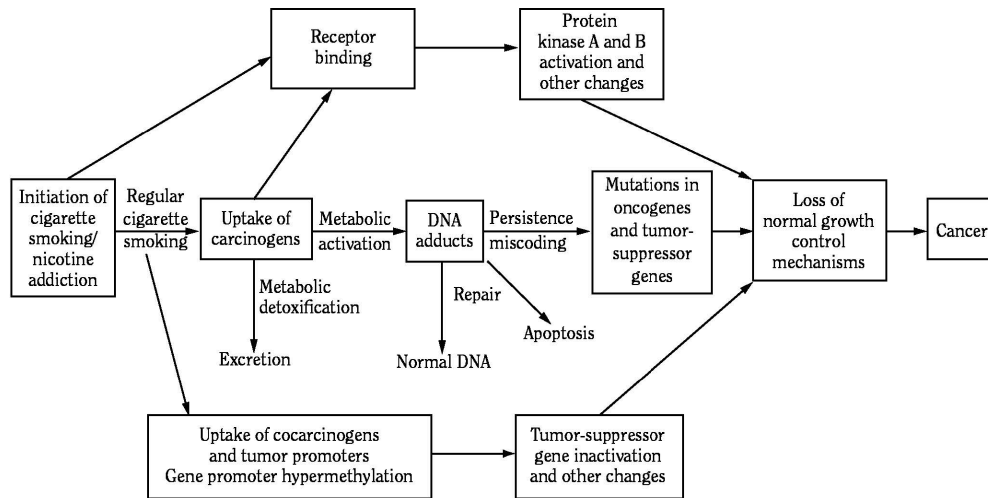
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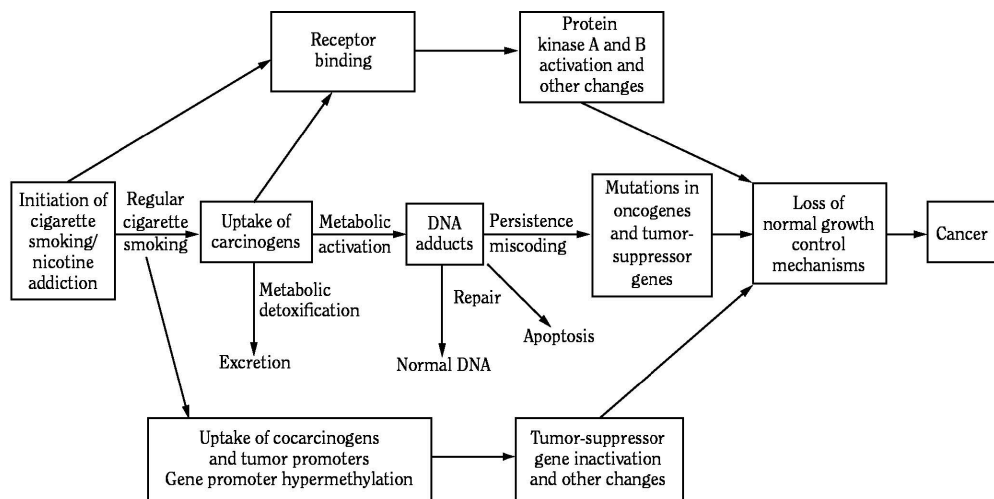


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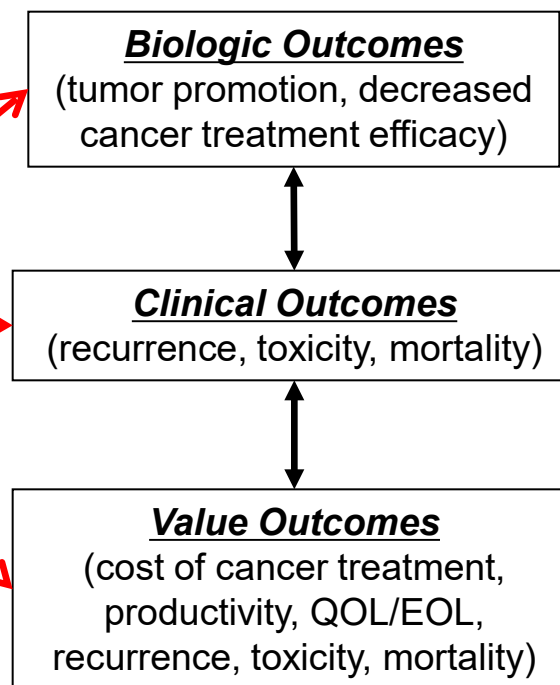
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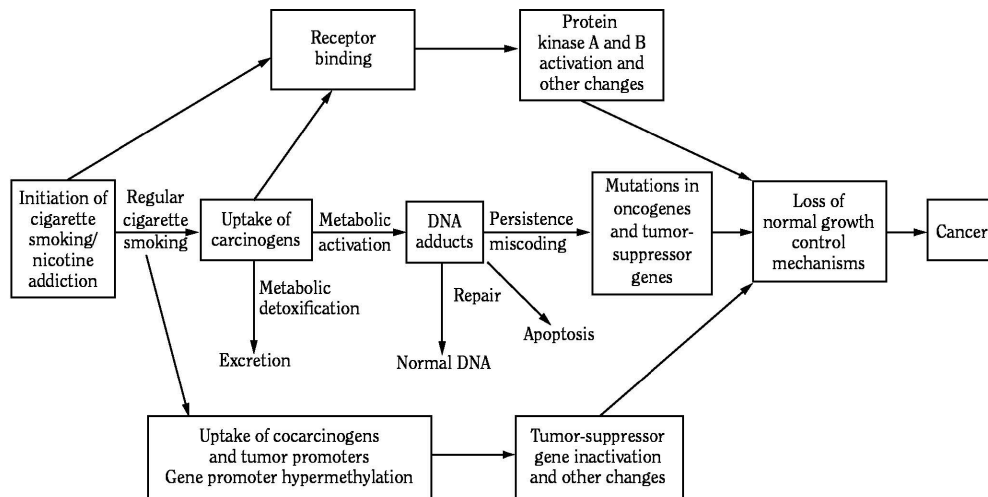
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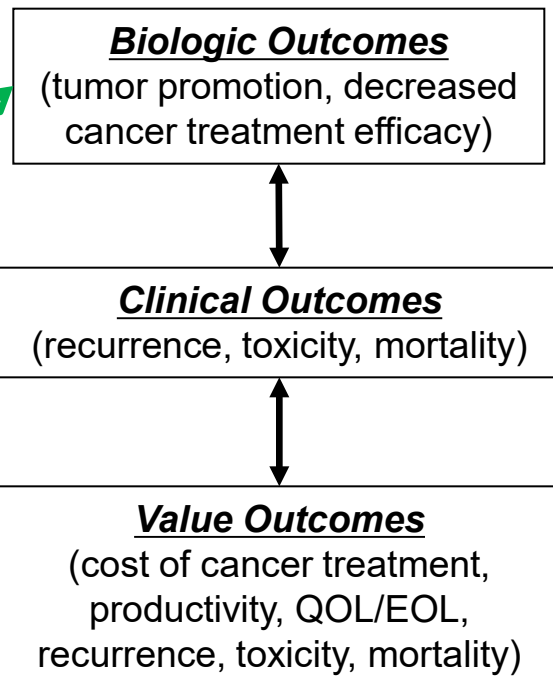
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Addressing  
Tobacco Use by  
Cancer Patients

# The 2014 SGR: Magnitude Estimates

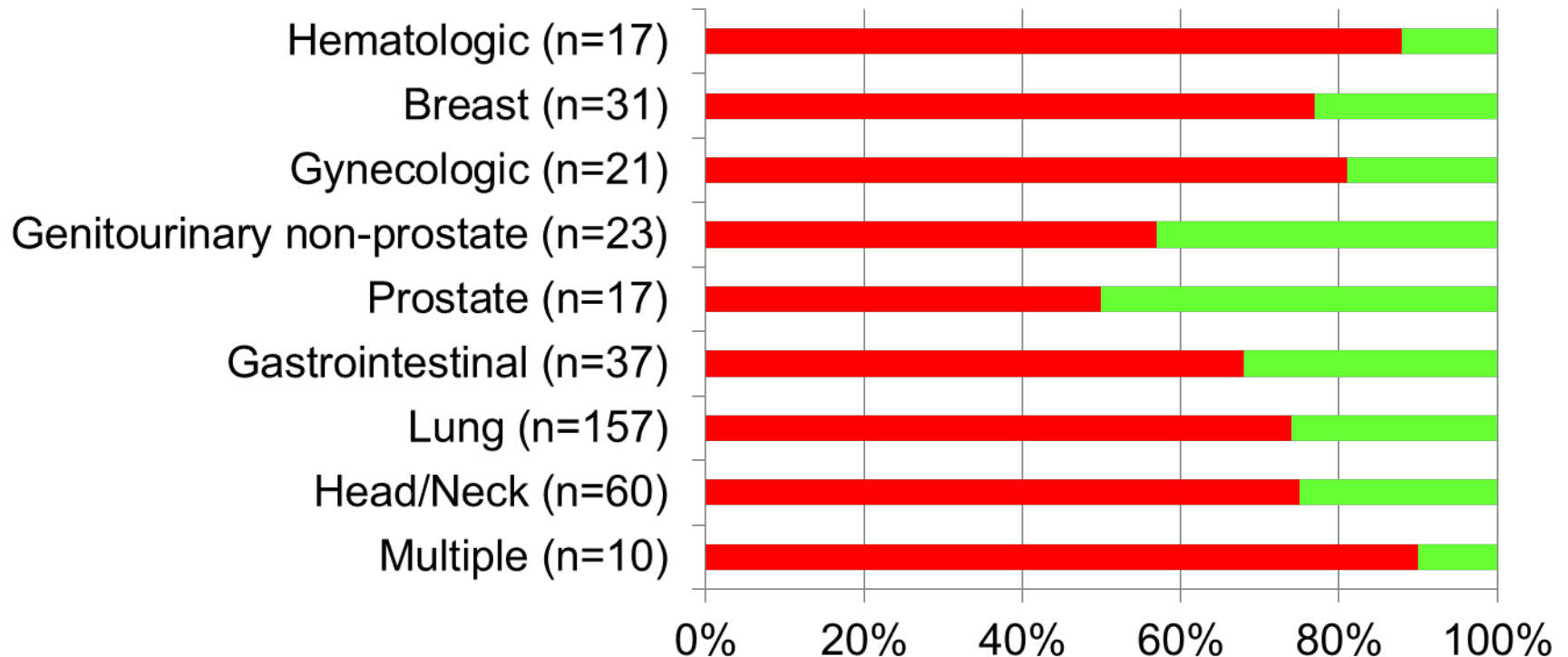
Effect	Studies	Associations (Significant)	RR Magnitude (median)
Overall Mortality	159	87% (62%)	<b>Current: 1.51</b> Former: 1.22
Overall Survival	62	77% (42%)	
Cancer Related Mortality	58	79% (59%)	<b>Current: 1.61</b> Former: 1.03
Second Primary	26	100% (100%)	
Recurrence	51	82% (53%)	<b>Current: 1.42</b> Former: 1.15
Response	16	72%	
Toxicity	82	94% (80%)	

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Health Consequences of Smoking—50 Years of Progress: A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office on Smoking and Health, 2014.

# Breadth of Association across Cancer

(one or more negative association)

■ Significant ■ Non-significant



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# Cost of Failure due to Smoking

Table 3. Mean Cost Associated With First-line Cancer Treatment Failure Attributed to Smoking per 1000 Total Patients With a 30% Failure Rate of First-line Cancer Treatment Among Nonsmoking Patients and 20% Smoking Prevalence

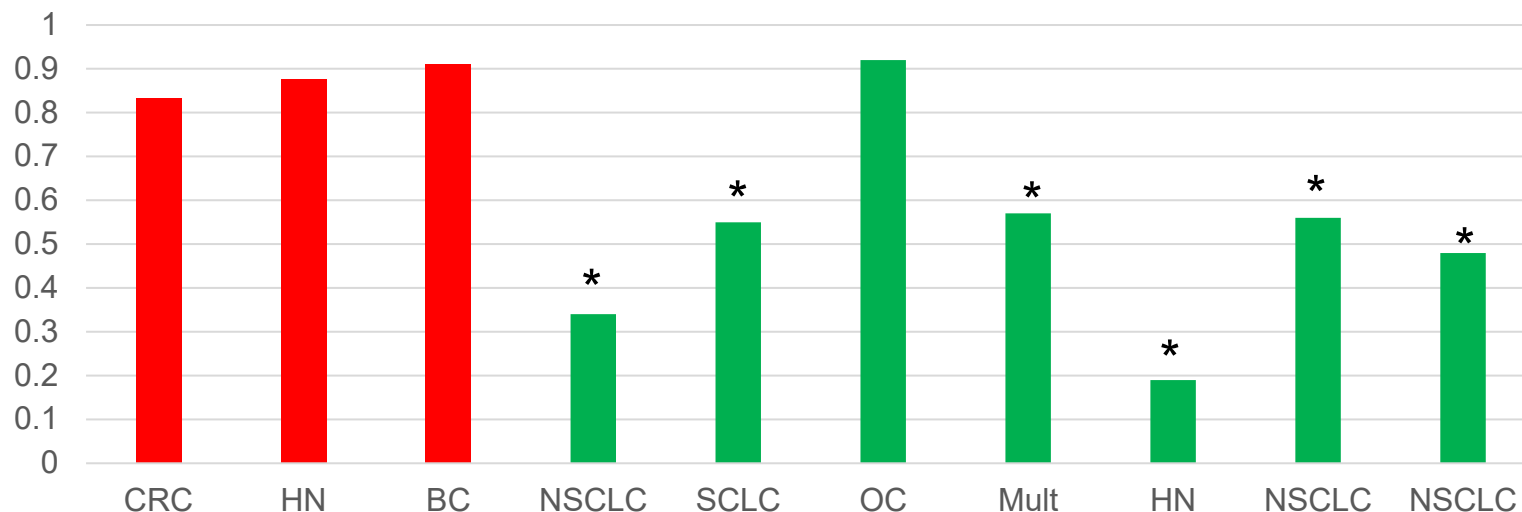
Odds Ratio <sup>a</sup>	Mean Individual Cost per Treatment Failure, \$			
	10 000	50 000	100 000	250 000
1.1	40 777	203 883	407 767	1 019 417
1.2	79 245	396 226	792 453	1 981 132
1.4	150 000	750 000	1 500 000	3 750 000
1.6	213 559	1 067 797	2 135 593	5 338 983
1.8	270 968	1 354 839	2 709 677	6 774 194
2.0	323 077	1 615 385	3 230 769	8 076 923
2.5	434 483	2 172 414	4 344 828	10 862 069
3.0	525 000	2 625 000	5 250 000	13 125 000

US Estimates (2019): \$3.4 Billion Annually

Pan-Canadian Estimates (2019): \$239 Million Annually

# What if People Quit After Diagnosis?

Mortality Risk: Quitting vs. Continued Smoking

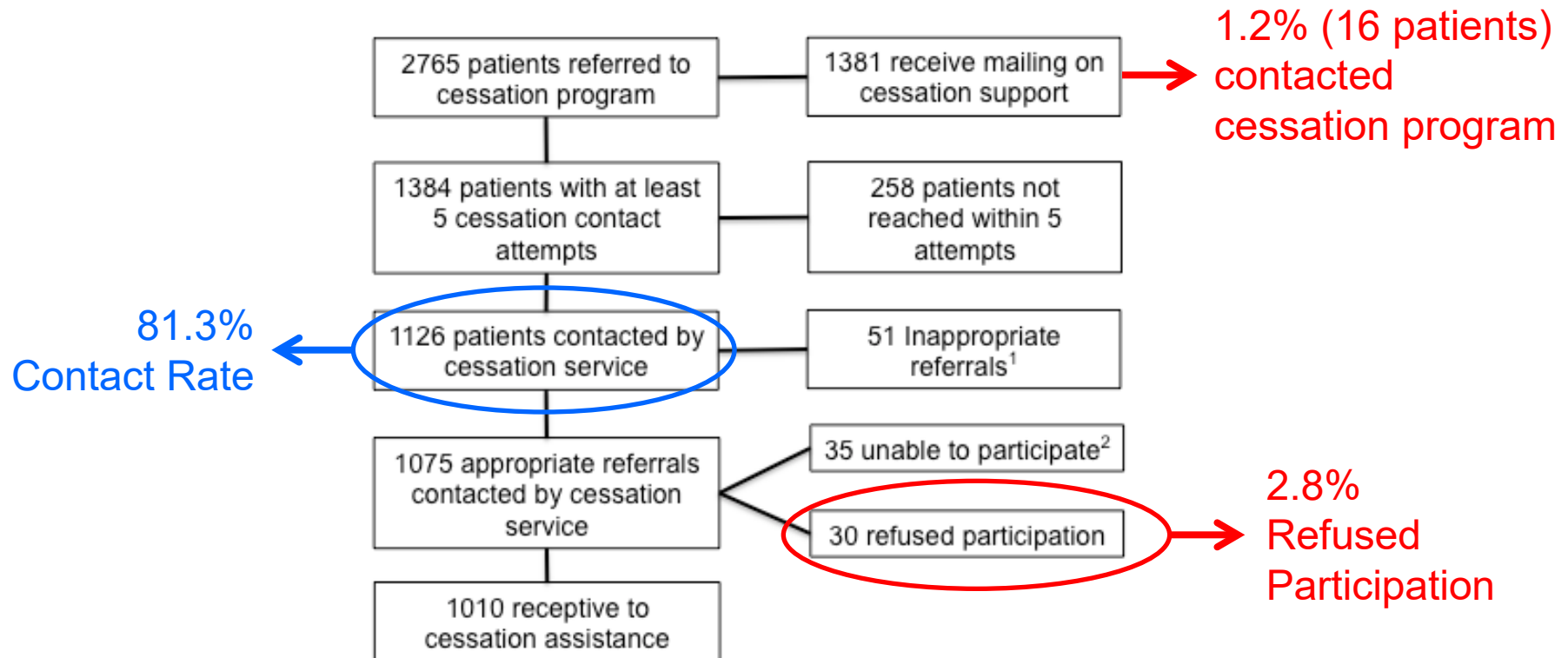


- 3 studies compared vs. never smoking
- In 7 studies comparing quitting vs. continued smoking
  - 6 showed significant reductions in mortality with quitting
  - **45% median reduction in mortality with quitting**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Smoking Cessation: A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office on Smoking and Health, 2020.



# Participation at First Cessation Contact



1. Includes 12 never smokers and 39 former smokers with no tobacco use in the past 30 days
2. Includes 12 patients in end-of-life situation and 23 patients in assisted living arrangement with contact by proxy

# New Patient Screen Yield

98.8% of patients captured with 3 questions

Referral Question	% of Total Referrals for Current Users	% of Total Referrals for Former Users	% of Total Referrals
Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?	93.7%		83.1%
Do you currently use any other tobacco products such as cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, SNUS, clove cigarettes, kreteks, or bidis?	6.3%		5.6%
About how long has it been since you last smoked a cigarette, even a puff?		89.0%	10.1%
About how long has it been since you last smoked/used other tobacco products such as cigars, cigarillos, little cigars, pipe tobacco, or used chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or SNUS even once?		1.4%	0.2%
Are you currently using any of the following methods or strategies to try to quit?		2.7%	0.3%
Are you interested in stopping tobacco use or speaking with our tobacco cessation specialist?		6.8%	0.8%

Extending assessment to every month delayed referral in only 3 of 428 cessation referrals (0.7%)

# Opt-Out Cessation and Mortality

Continuous Variables	N	Mean	Hazard Ratio	95% CI	p
Age at diagnosis (years)	224	61.9	<b>1.04</b>	<b>1.02–1.06</b>	<b>0.001</b>
Pack-years	224	59.7	1.00	0.99–1.01	0.495
Days between diagnosis and last contact	224	100.9	0.999	0.998–1.001	0.227
Categorical Variables	N	%	Hazard Ratio	95% CI	p
Sex					
Female	134	59.8	1.00	Ref.	0.051
Male	90	40.2	1.45	1.01–2.14	
Clinical stage					
Stage I/II	81	36.2	<b>1.00</b>	<b>Ref.</b>	<b>&lt;0.001†</b>
Stage III	65	29.0	<b>2.53</b>	<b>1.39–4.61</b>	
Stage IV	78	34.8	<b>8.72</b>	<b>4.93–15.40</b>	
ECOG status					
0	127	56.7	1.00	Ref.	0.265
≥1	97	43.3	1.26	0.84–1.89	
Tumor histology					
NSCLC	197	87.9	1.00	Ref.	0.626
Other lung cancer	27	12.1	0.87	0.50–1.52	
Quit status at referral					
Quit	48	21.4	1.00	Ref.	0.393
Current	176	78.6	0.80	0.48–1.34	
Quit status at last contact					
Quit	95	42.4	<b>1.00</b>	<b>Ref.</b>	<b>0.012†</b>
Current	129	57.6	<b>1.79</b>	<b>1.14–2.82</b>	

115 of 224 patients (51.3%) were deceased by the end of the follow-up period. The model is adjusted for all variables shown in this table based upon a Cox proportional hazards model.

\*N = 224 of 250 due to 22 records missing clinical stage, two missing pack-years, and two missing both clinical stage and pack-years.

Bold indicates statistically significant at  $p < 0.05$ .

CI, confidence interval; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; NSCLC, non-small-cell lung cancer.

**44% reduction  
in mortality**

# Cessation after Diagnosis: A New Gold Standard

JAMA Oncology | Original Investigation

## Survival Outcomes of an Early Smoking Cessation Treatment After a Cancer Diagnosis

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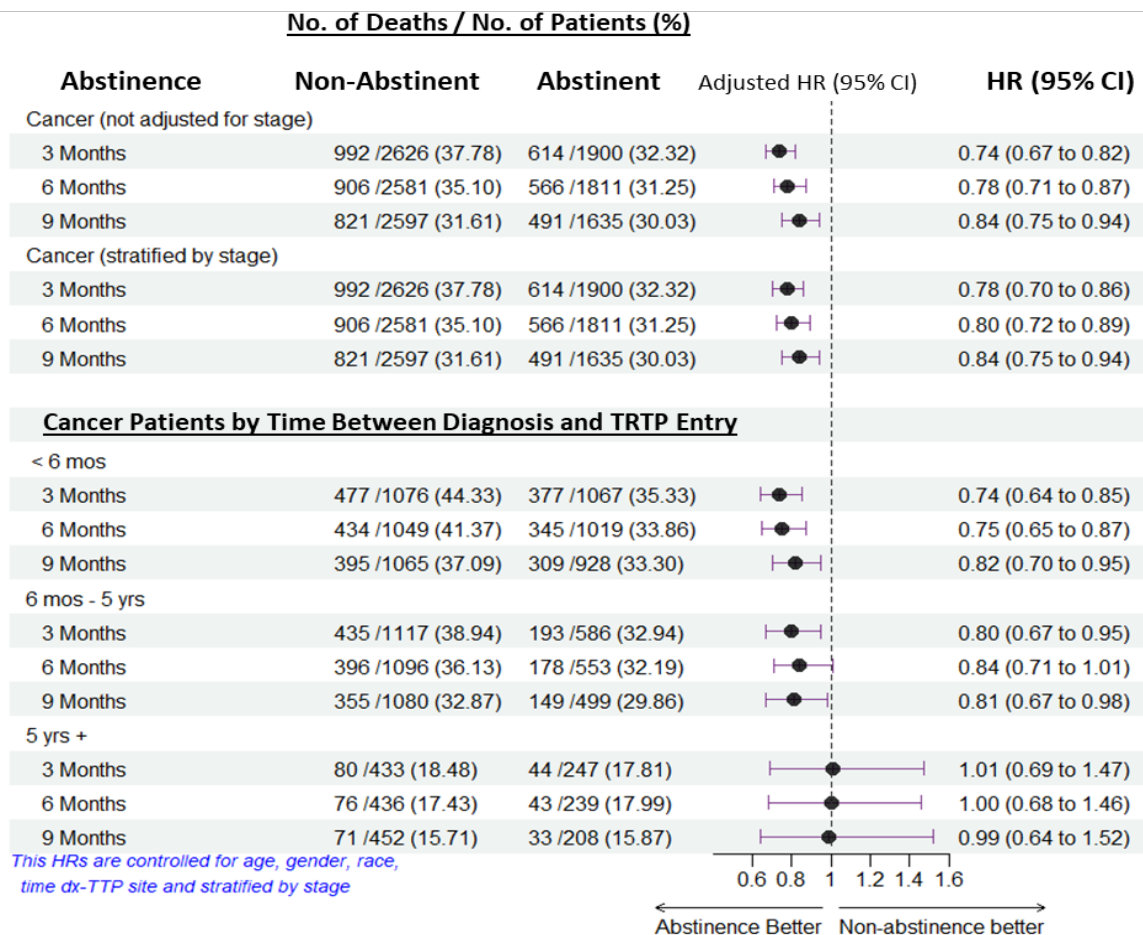
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**Question:** Does the timing of entry into a smoking cessation program after a cancer diagnosis influence overall survival?

# ~25% Mortality Reduction with Early Cessation

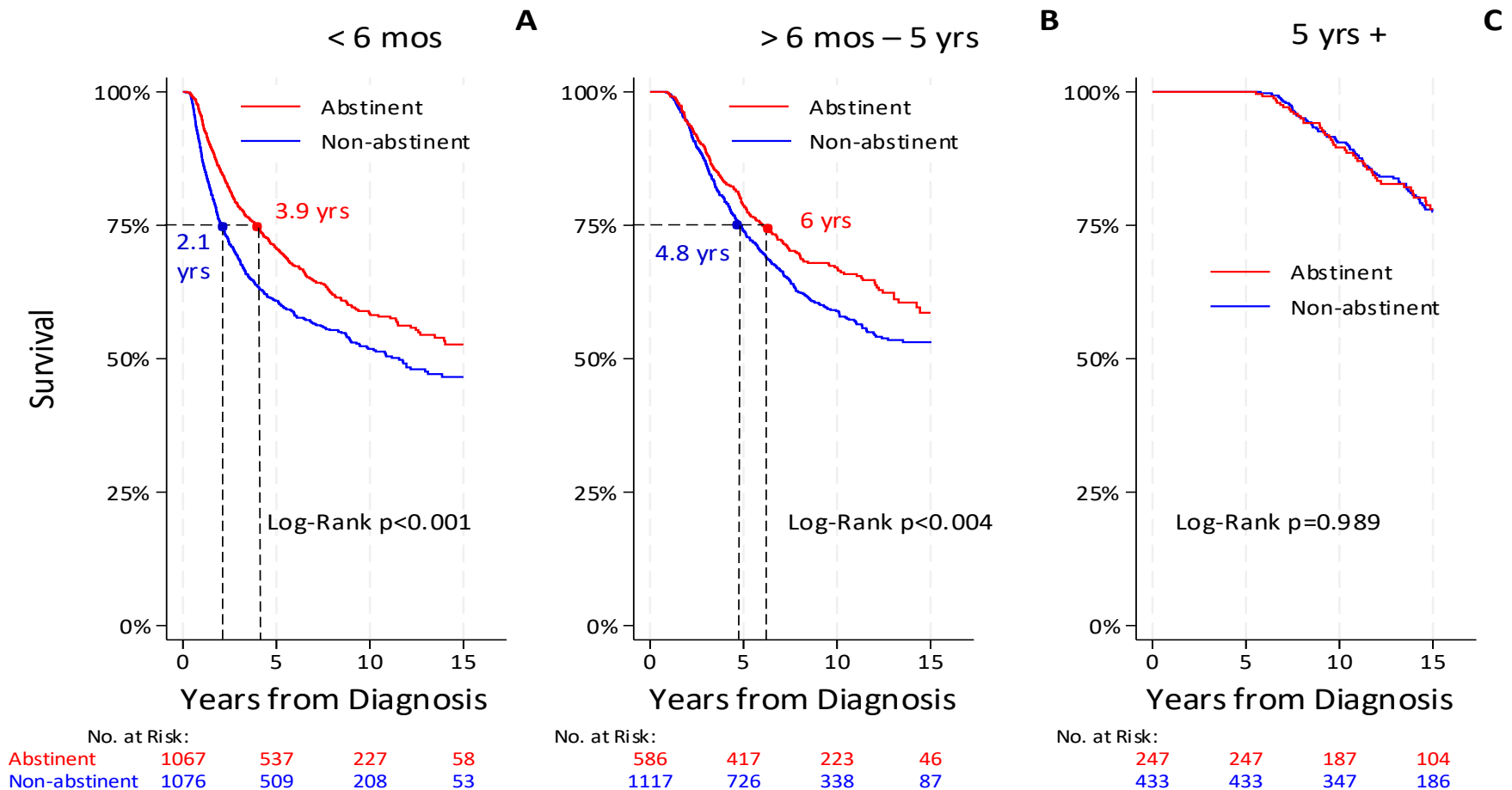
## ACROSS CANCER

(simple message for ALL patients)



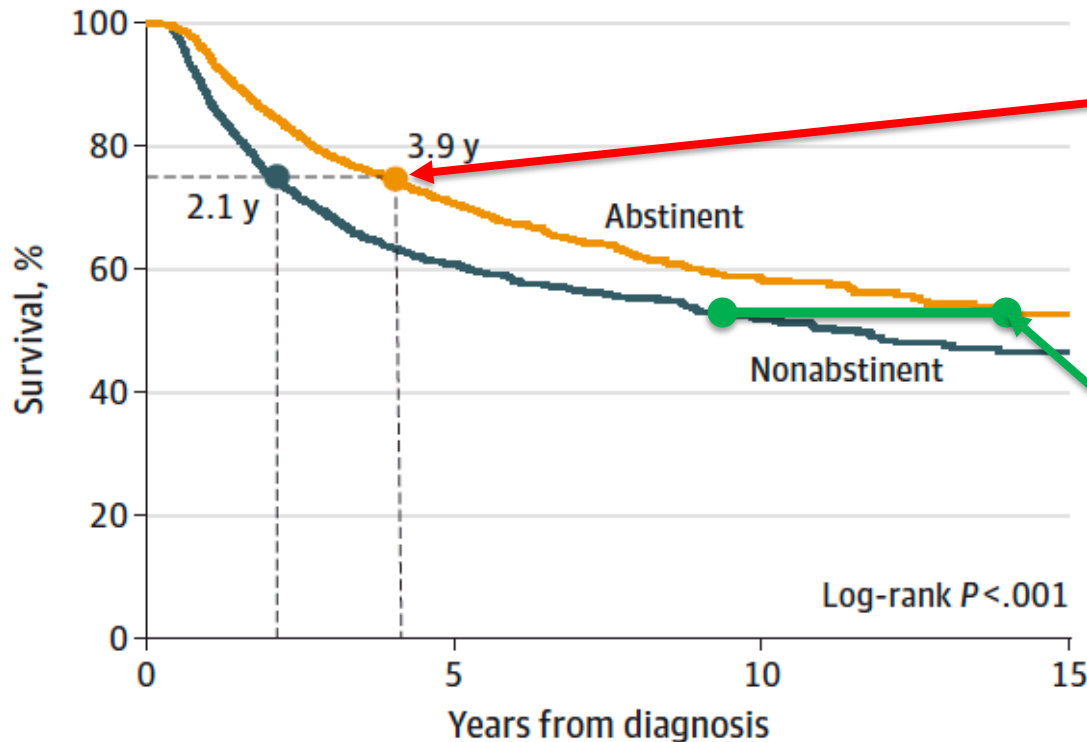
# Get Patients into Tobacco Treatment ASAP after a Cancer Diagnosis (or during workup!)

**TRTP within 6 months of dx adds 1.8+ years of life!!!**



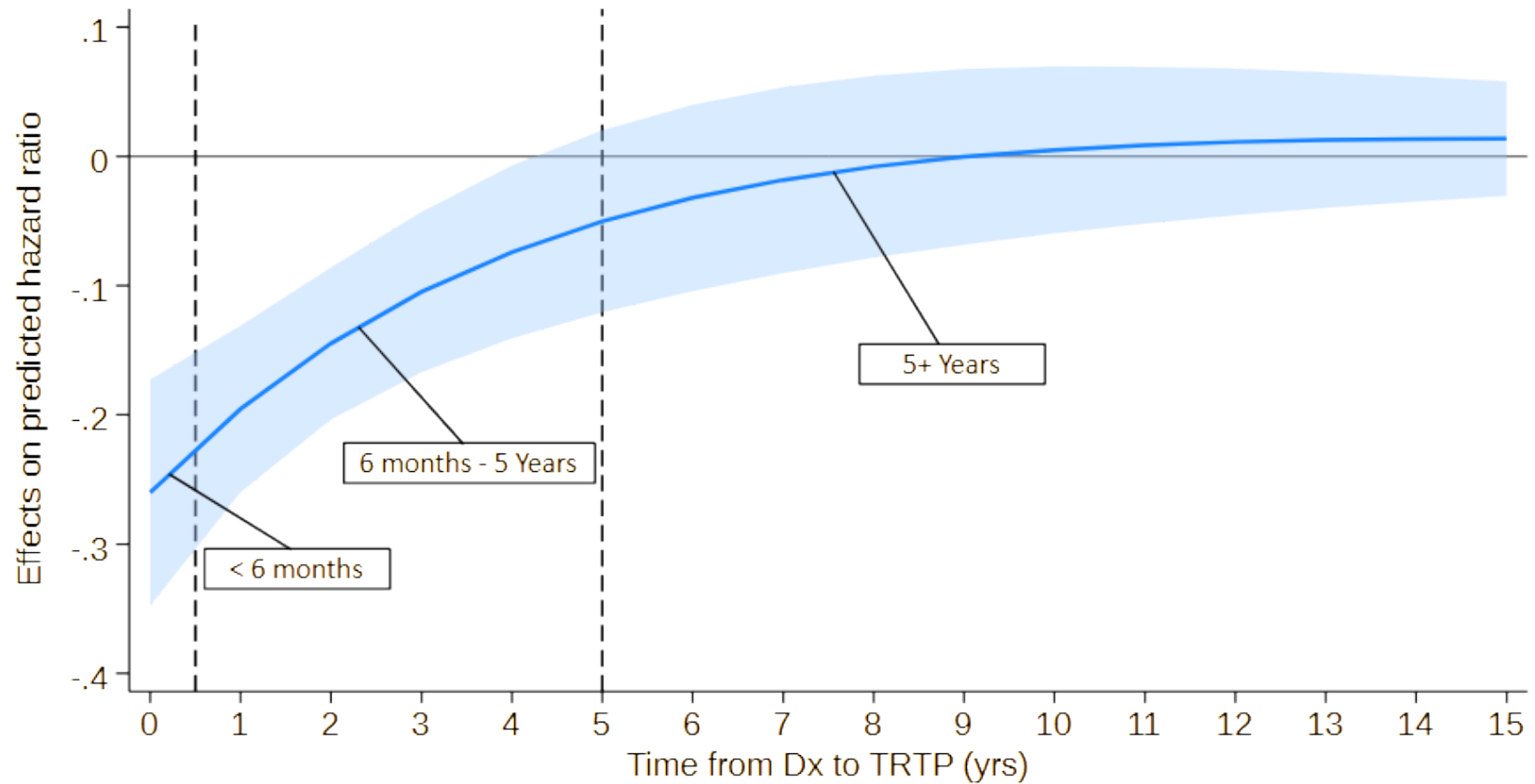
# 1.8 Years May Be Conservative...

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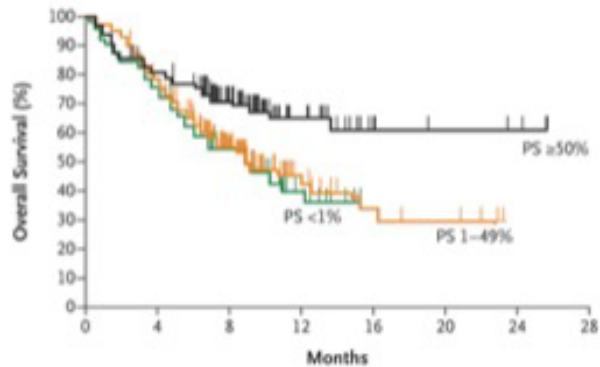
No. at risk				
Abstinent	1067	537	227	58
Nonabstinent	1076	509	208	53

# Survival Benefit vs. Time to Cessation Entry

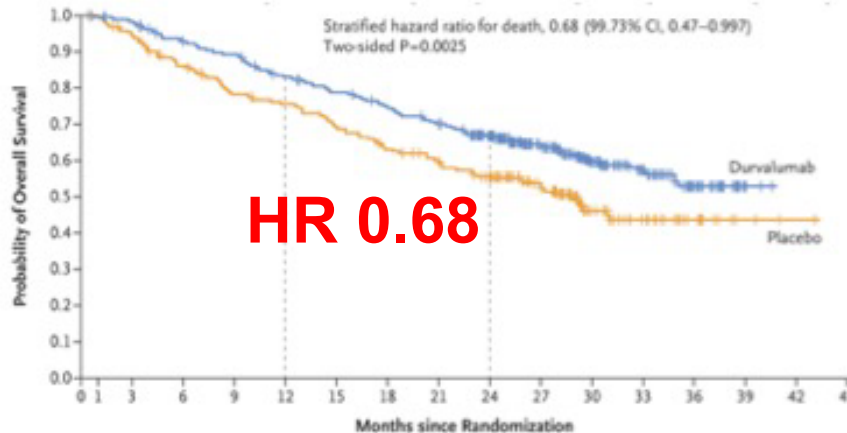




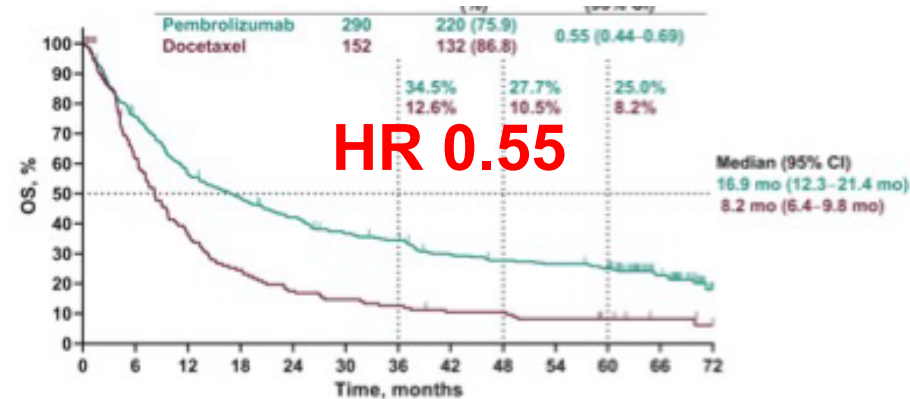
# How Does Cessation Compare with Revolutions in Lung Cancer Care?



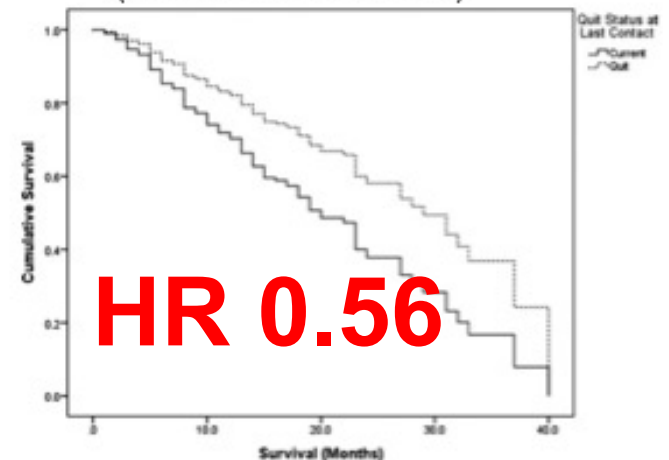
Overall Survival with Pembro by PD-L1 status, Keynote-001 (Garon et al. NEJM 2015)



Overall Survival with Duvalumab, Pacific Trial (Antonia et al. NEJM 2018)



Overall Survival with Pembro, PD-L1 >50 Keynote-010 (Herbst et al. JTO 2021)



Smoking Cessation added to first line NSCLC treatment (Dobson-Amato et al. JTO 2015)

# Resources: NCCN Guidelines



NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®)

## Smoking Cessation

Version 1.2015

NCCN.org

**Continue**

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# NCI/AACR Structured Questions

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Special Report

Clinical  
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## Research Priorities, Measures, and Recommendations for Assessment of Tobacco Use in Clinical Cancer Research

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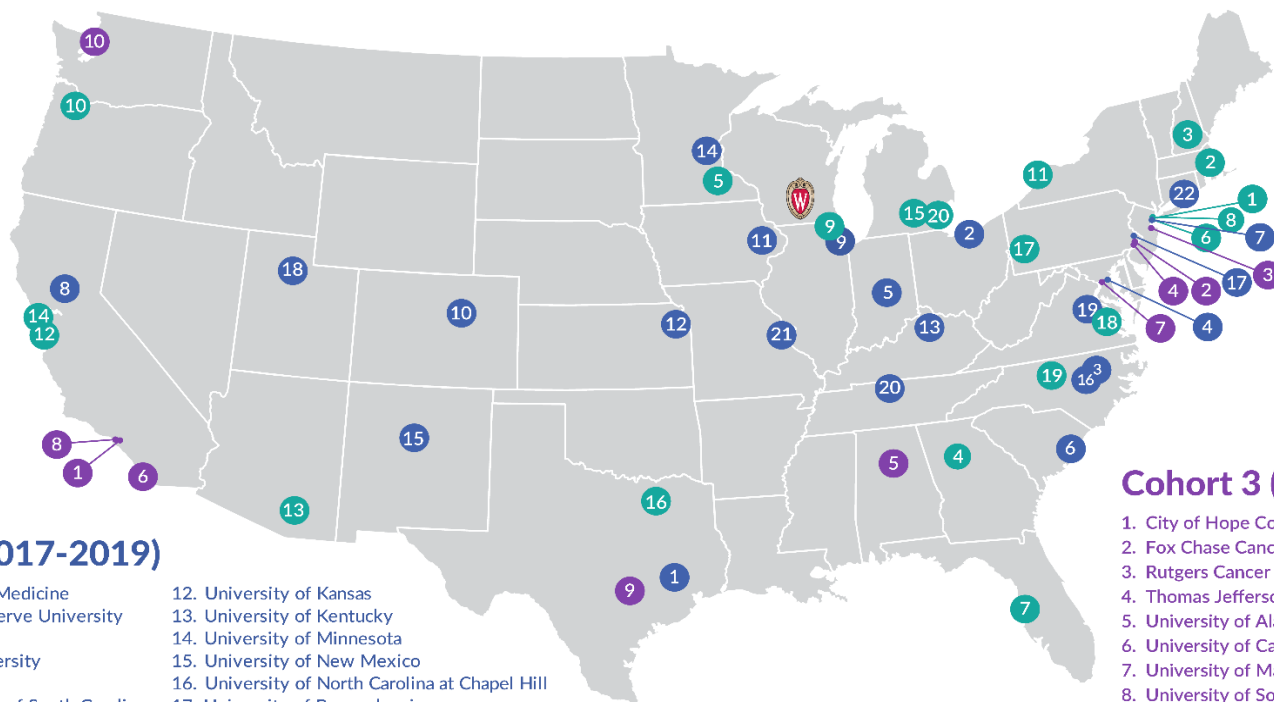
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# Cancer Center Cessation Initiative (C3I) Funded Centers

## Cohort 1, Cohort 2, and Cohort 3

**Impact: over 95,000 patients between 2018-22**



### Cohort 1 (2017-2019)

1. Baylor College of Medicine
2. Case Western Reserve University
3. Duke University
4. Georgetown University
5. Indiana University
6. Medical University of South Carolina
7. New York University
8. University of California Davis
9. University of Chicago
10. University of Colorado
11. University of Iowa
12. University of Kansas
13. University of Kentucky
14. University of Minnesota
15. University of New Mexico
16. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
17. University of Pennsylvania
18. University of Utah
19. University of Virginia
20. Vanderbilt University
21. Washington University
22. Yale University

### Cohort 2 (2018-2020)

1. Columbia University
2. Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center
3. Dartmouth College
4. Emory University
5. Mayo Clinic
6. Memorial Sloan Kettering
7. Moffitt
8. Mount Sinai
9. Northwestern University
10. Oregon Health and Sciences University

11. Roswell Park
12. Stanford University
13. University of Arizona
14. University of California San Francisco
15. University of Michigan
16. University of Texas Southwestern
17. UPMC Hillman
18. Virginia Commonwealth University
19. Wake Forest University
20. Wayne State University

### Cohort 3 (2020-2021)

1. City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center
2. Fox Chase Cancer Center
3. Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey
4. Thomas Jefferson University
5. University of Alabama at Birmingham
6. University of California, San Diego
7. University of Maryland
8. University of Southern California
9. University of Texas
10. University of Washington

# Pan-Canadian Tobacco Cessation + Cancer Care Network



# CPAC: Infrastructure Outcomes

**Access increased from 26% in 2016/17 to 95% in 2022**

JURISDICTION <sup>a</sup>	BEHAVIOURAL COUNSELLING	PHARMACO- THERAPY	PERSON- CENTERED	CULTURALLY COMPETENT	PARTNERSHIP	INDICATOR MEASUREMENT AND REPORTING	PROVINCIAL/ TERRITORIAL LEVEL
Yukon	G	G	P	S	G	S	GOLD
Northwest Territories	B	G	P	G	P	P	SILVER
Nunavut	B	G	B	S	B	P	SILVER
British Columbia	G	G	G	S	G	G	GOLD
Alberta	B	S	S	B	S	B	SILVER
Saskatchewan	S	G	B	B	S	P	SILVER
Manitoba	S	G	G	B	G	S	GOLD
Ontario	S	S	G	S	S	G	GOLD
New Brunswick <sup>b</sup>	G	G	G	B	G	G	GOLD
Nova Scotia	S	S	B	P	S	P	SILVER
Prince Edward Island	G	G	S	B	G	S	GOLD
Newfoundland and Labrador	S	G	G	S	S	G	GOLD
Average level for each category	SILVER	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	SILVER	SILVER	CANADA: SILVER

# ACOS Commission on Cancer

Access to ~1,500 cancer centers, ~70% of cancer patients  
**Just ASK** (776 programs) and **Beyond ASK** (>300 programs)

The screenshot shows the ACS website with the URL <https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer/coc/pdsa-just-ask>. The header includes navigation links: JACS, Jobs, Events, Find a Surgeon, Patients and Family, Contact, My Profile, Shop, and Donate. The ACS logo and tagline "Inspiring Quality: Highest Standards, Better Outcomes" are visible, along with a search bar and member login options. A teal navigation bar contains links for COVID-19, Member Services, Quality Programs, Education, Advocacy, Publications, and About ACS. The breadcrumb trail reads: American College of Surgeons > Quality Programs > ... > Commission on Cancer > Just ASK Quality Improvement Project & Clinical Study. The left sidebar lists links: Commission on Cancer, About the Commission on Cancer, CoC Standards and Resources, Apply for Accreditation, Accreditation Information, Find a CoC-Accredited Center, Site Visit Reviewer Profiles, and Become a Site Visit Reviewer. The main content area is titled "Just ASK Quality Improvement Project & Clinical Study" and contains the following text:

The 2022 CoC and NAPBC Assessment of Smoking in New Cancer Patients PDSA Quality Improvement Project and Clinical Study: Just ASK is an **elective** quality improvement project focused on strengthening evidence-based care across participating programs by leveraging existing resources to address smoking by ASKing all newly diagnosed cancer patients about their smoking status.

The goal of this PDSA to increase and improve the integration of smoking assessment as a standard of care. Participation will require completion of three questionnaires to track progress during the project. This opportunity is being provided to all currently accredited Commission on Cancer (CoC) and National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC) programs, as well as those that have applied for CoC or NAPBC accreditation.

Please submit questions to [accancerprograms@facs.org](mailto:accancerprograms@facs.org).

[Just ASK Project and Clinical Study](#) 📄

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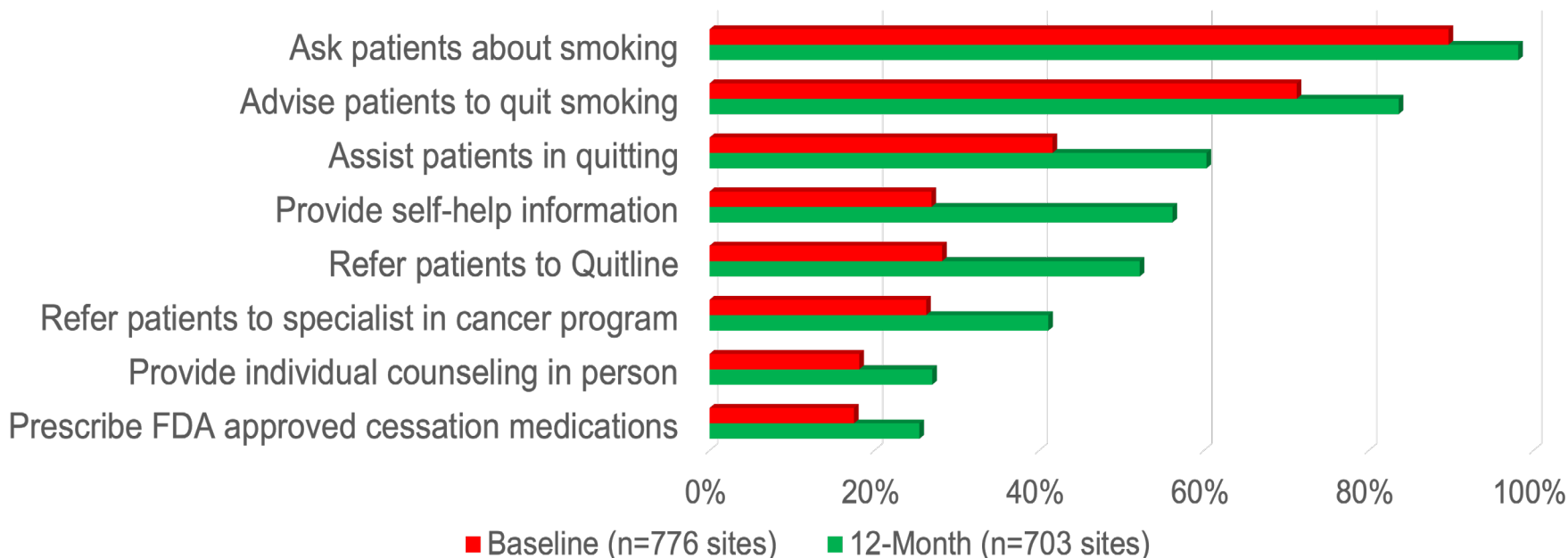
**Project Overview and Deadlines**

<https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer/coc/pdsa-just-ask>



# CoC: Just ASK Results

## Assessment and Treatment Practices (Always or Usually)



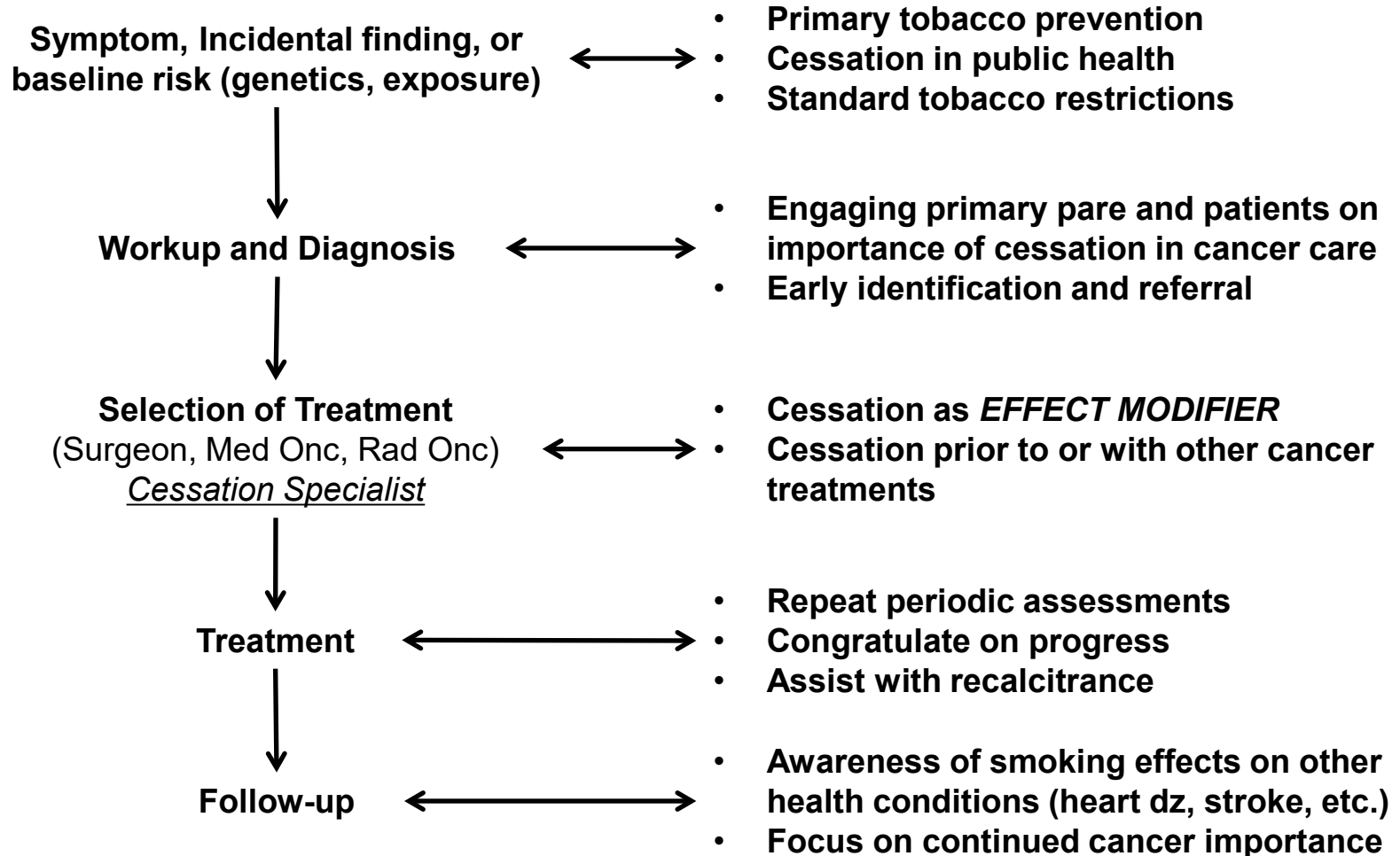
Can an accrediting organization move the needle?



# Adding Cessation Across Cancer Care

How do we manage cancer?

How can we incorporate cessation?



## A Final Question and Suggestion...

Is it malpractice to omit smoking from cancer care, and it is scientifically ethical to omit smoking from research?

**Addressing tobacco in cancer care may be the EASIEST, CHEAPEST, and LOWEST TOXICITY approach to significantly improve patient outcomes**