



EBUS Guided Mediastinal Lymph node Sampling

The Future of Lymph node Sampling



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Objectives



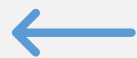
Endobronchial Ultrasound in Lung Cancer Diagnosis



EBUS scopes



EBUS in the Era of Molecular Testing and NGS



Future of Lymph node Sampling

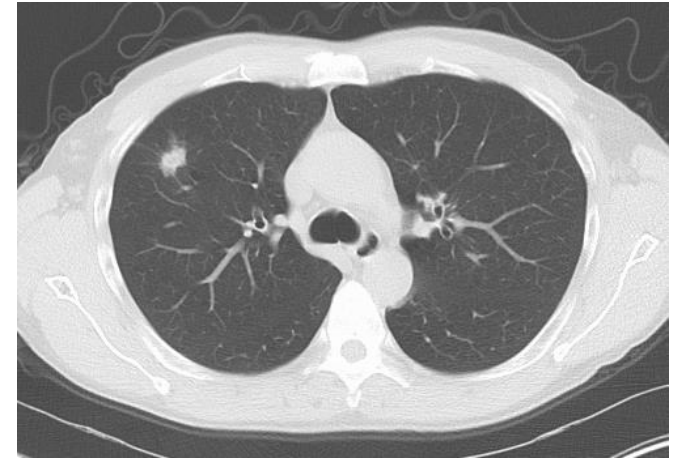
EBUS Development - Historical Aspects

“Everything we see hides another thing; we always want to see what is hidden by what we see. There is an interest in that which is hidden and which the visible doesn't show us”

Rene Magritte [quoted in Sylvester: Magritte, the Silence of the World. Huston, Menil Foundation, 1992, p 24]

The Need to Develop Endobronchial Ultrasound

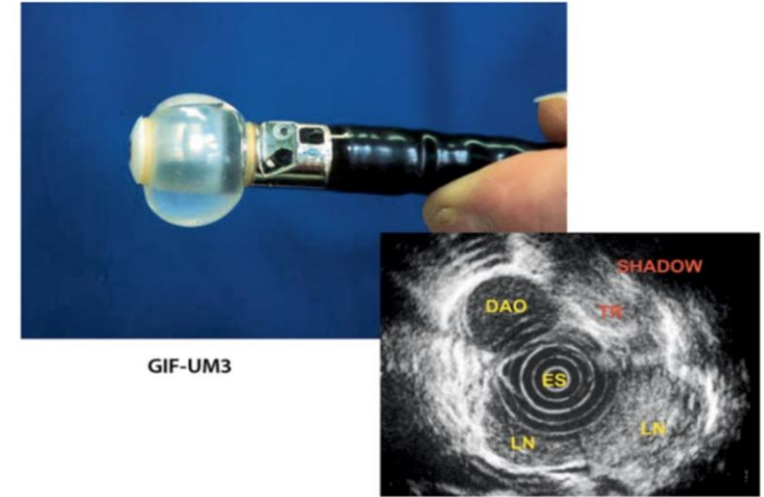
- 1980 - CT was the standard for Pre-operative staging
- Primary Tumors and Metastasis - ✓
- Lymph nodes and Airway Involvement - ⊗
- The view of Bronchoscopist in the airways was limited
- ✓ **Discoloration**
- ✓ **Displacement**
- ✓ **Destruction**
- Demand for a new pre-operative staging modality



How EBUS was in the air

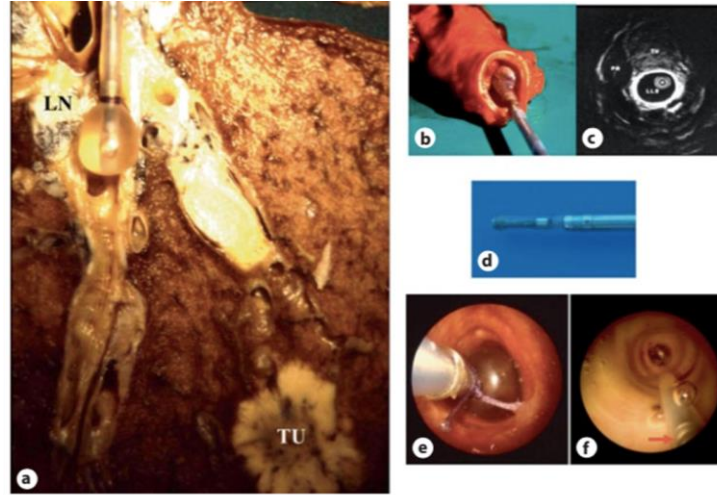
- Ultrasound in Medicine - 1970
- Late 80s – Transesophageal Ultrasound and RP EBUS
- The GI EUS – GIF -UM 3 -1989
- **Mediastinum - still in question !**
 - Large size of the GI scopes
 - Access to all lymph node stations

This led to transfer of application to endobronchial space



EBUS Development (1990-1994)

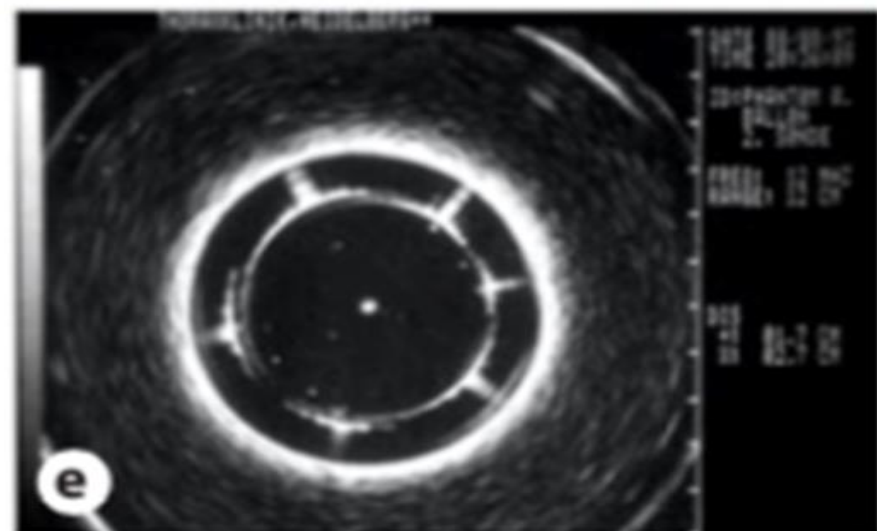
- UM 1-W/ Olympus
- Market 1990
- GI application - small ducts
- 7.5 MHz, 360 degree / OD - 3.4
- Rigid Bronchoscopy application



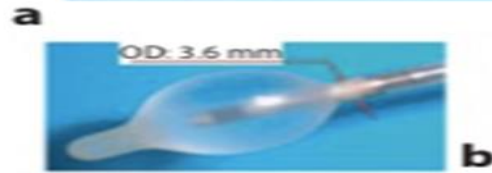
- ❖ Thomas Hurther - Aachen
- ❖ Miniature probe - blood vessels
- ❖ Boston sc sonocath probes



- ❖ First to publish - First Pioneer 1992 paper / 100 patients' data



EBUS Development (1994 -1999) - Radial Probes



UM-2R/3R
Balloon sheath
XMH-246R



XUM-B20-26R

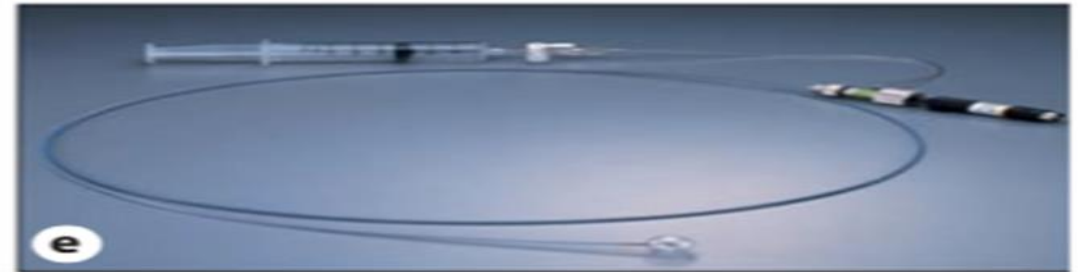
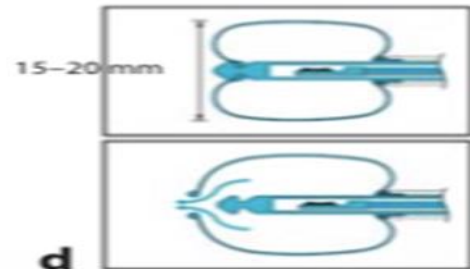
UM-2R/UM-3R
Balloon sheath
UM-BS20-26R



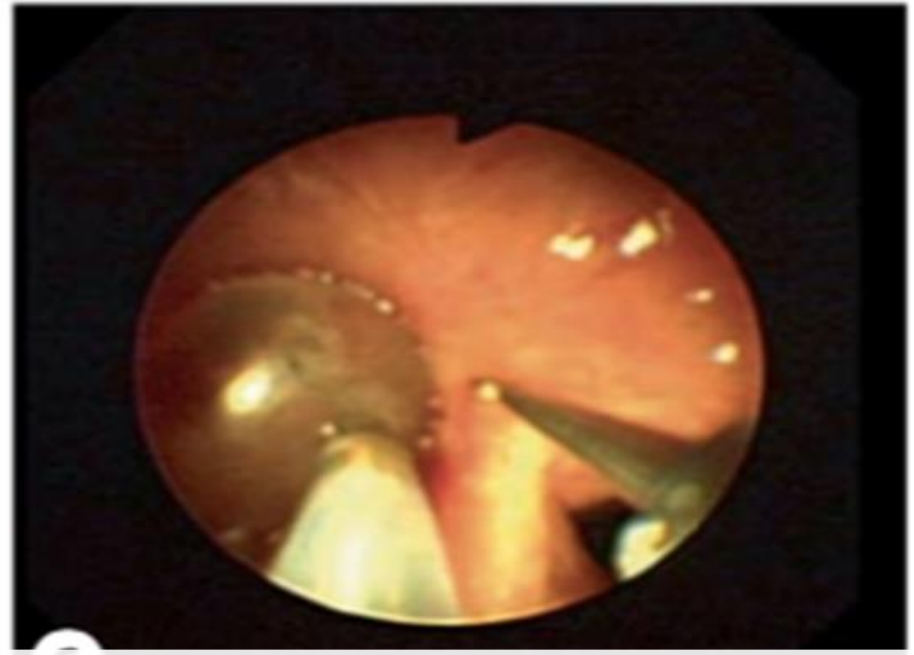
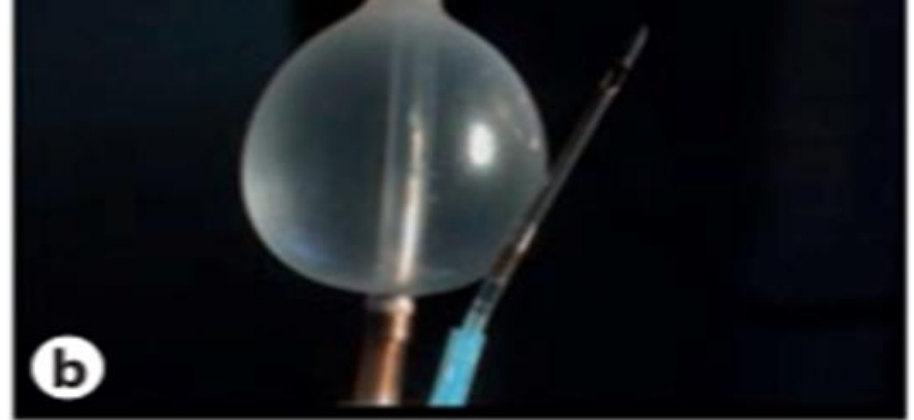
UM-S20/20R
Guide sheath



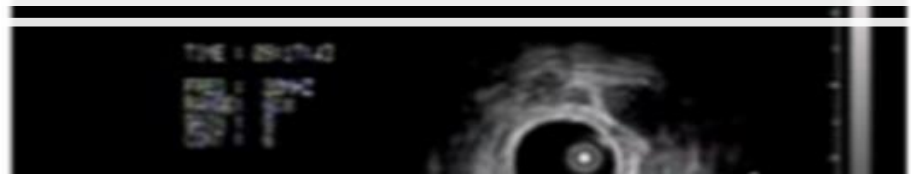
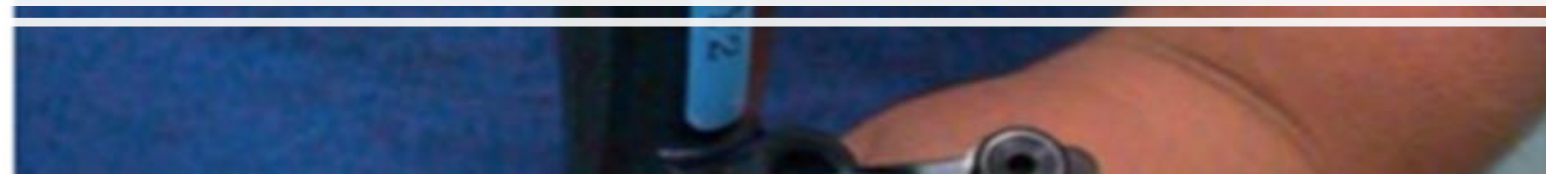
UM-3RDT



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M.Krasnik - request for integrated EBUS Scope

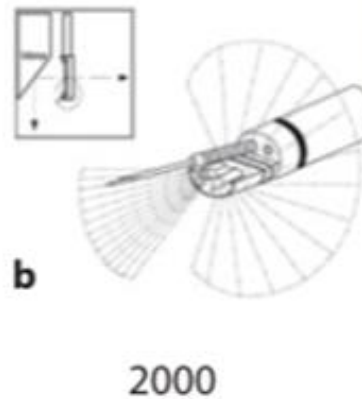


EBUS Development (1999) - Prototype EBUS Scopes

- 1999 - First prototype - BUMP - XBF-UM30P



1st prototypes
XBF-UM30 (BF-UM40)



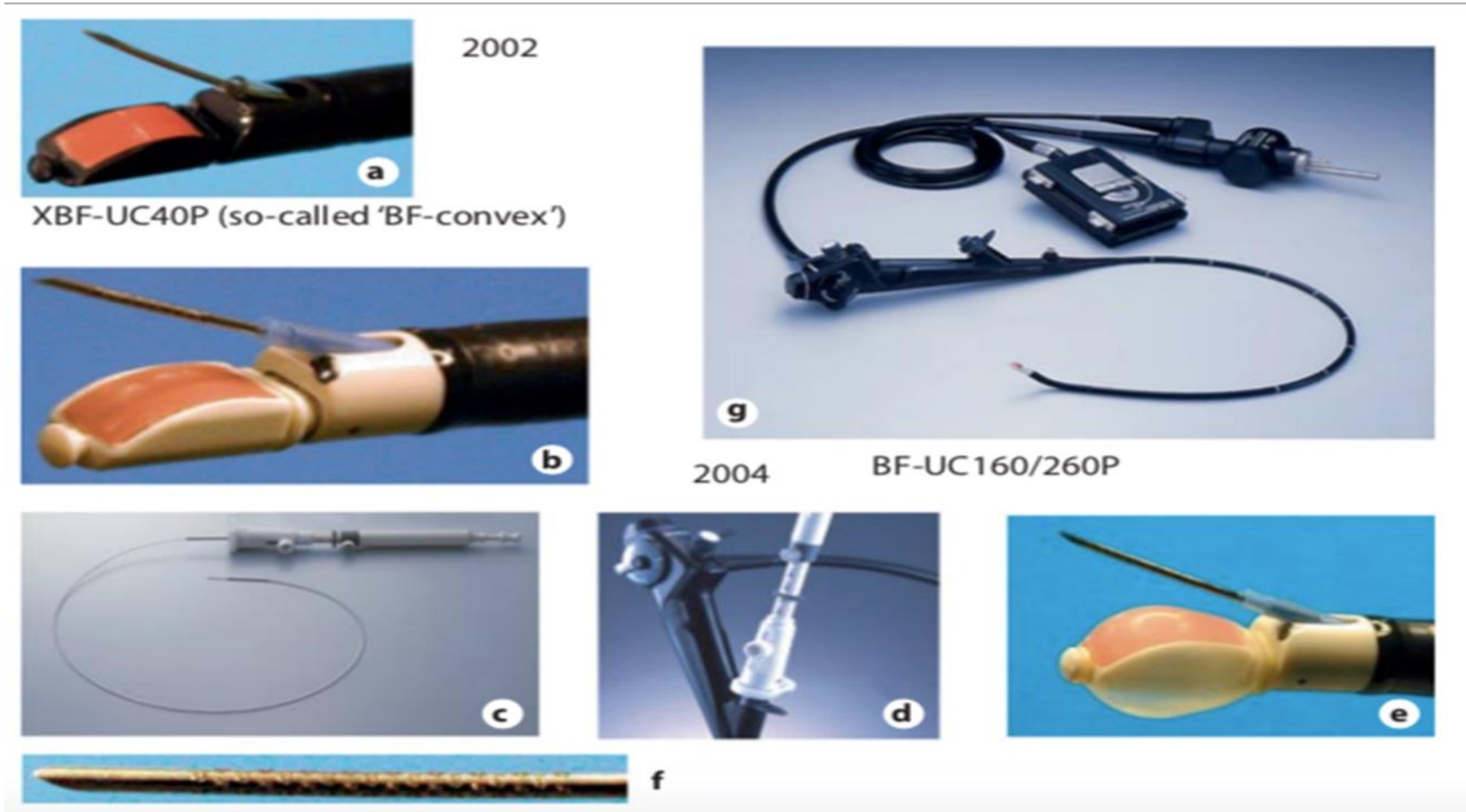
2nd prototype

3rd prototype

XBF-UM40P (so-called 'BUMP')

EBUS Development (2002) - Prototype EBUS Scopes

- 2002 - BF Convex



LUNG CANCER

Preliminary experience with a new method of endoscopic transbronchial real time ultrasound guided biopsy for diagnosis of mediastinal and hilar lesions

M Krasnik, P Vilmann, S S Larsen, G K Jacobsen

Thorax 2003;58:1083-1086

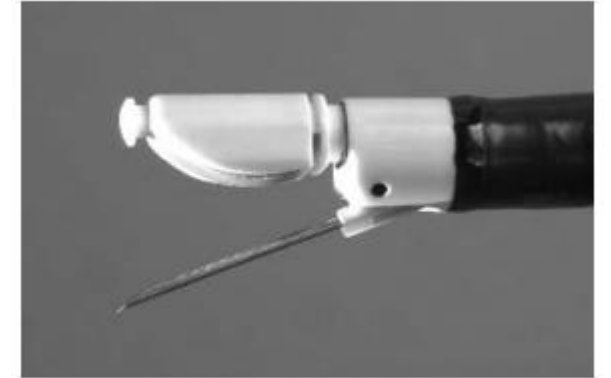


Table 1 Demographic data of 11 patients describing the clinical problem, location of lesions targeted by EBUS-FNA, and treatment

Patient	Location of lesion targeted	Cytology results	Treatment
Unknown hilar lesion, suspicion of recurrent renal cancer	10L	Clear cell carcinoma	Chemotherapy
Unknown mediastinal mass	10L	Squamous cell carcinoma	Explorative surgery (inoperable oesophageal cancer)
Right sided lung cancer	10R	NSCLC	Chemotherapy
Right sided lung cancer	10R	Benign NSCLC	Chemotherapy
Recurrent lung cancer	4L	NSCLC	Chemotherapy
Unknown right sided mediastinal lesion	10L	NSCLC	Chemotherapy
Right sided lung cancer	4R	Carcinoma	Pneumonectomy
Right sided lung cancer	10R	NSCLC	Chemotherapy
Unknown mediastinal lesion	4R	NSCLC	Chemotherapy
Right sided lung cancer	10L	Benign SCLC	Mastectomy
Right sided lung cancer	10L	SCLC	Chemotherapy
Cava superior syndrome (unknown nature)	4R	SCLC	Chemotherapy
Left sided lung cancer	2R	Adenocarcinoma	Chemotherapy
	1	Carcinoma	Chemotherapy
	7	Carcinoma	Chemotherapy

- 11 patients
- 15 Lesions
- 13 Malignant
- 02 Benign
- No complications

Recommendations (2007)

Invasive Mediastinal Staging of Lung Cancer

ACCP Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines (2nd Edition)

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Conclusions

In patients with extensive mediastinal infiltration, invasive staging is not needed. In patients with discrete node enlargement, staging by CT or positron emission tomography (PET) scanning is not sufficiently accurate. The sensitivity of various techniques is similar in this setting, although the false-negative (FN) rate of needle techniques is higher than that for mediastinoscopy. In patients with a stage II or a central tumor, invasive staging of the mediastinal nodes is necessary. Mediastinoscopy is generally preferable because of the higher FN rates of needle techniques in the setting of normal-sized lymph nodes. Patients with a peripheral clinical stage I NSCLC do not usually need invasive confirmation of mediastinal nodes unless a PET scan finding is positive in the nodes. The staging of patients with left upper lobe tumors should include an assessment of the aortopulmonary window lymph nodes.

Recommendations (2013)



CHEST

Supplement

DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF LUNG CANCER, 3RD ED: ACCP GUIDELINES

Methods for Staging Non-small Cell Lung Cancer

**Diagnosis and Management of Lung Cancer,
3rd ed: American College of Chest Physicians
Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines**

Conclusions: Since the last iteration of the staging guidelines, PET scanning has assumed a more prominent role both in its use prior to surgery and when evaluating for metastatic disease. Minimally invasive needle techniques to stage the mediastinum have become increasingly accepted and are the tests of first choice to confirm mediastinal disease in accessible lymph node stations. If negative, these needle techniques should be followed by surgical biopsy. All abnormal scans should be confirmed by tissue biopsy (by whatever method is available) to ensure accurate staging. Evidence suggests that more complete staging improves patient outcomes.

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EBUS Scopes

- BF-UC 180 F
- BF-UC 190 F with 20 forward oblique view
- Processors : EU-ME1, EU-ME2, EU-ME3



- Angle of view - **35° Forward oblique / 20 ° Forward oblique**
- Scan Direction - **Longitudinal**
- Insertion Tube Diameter - **6.2mm / OD 6.9 mm**
- Instrument Channel Diameter - **2.2mm**
- Angulation Up/down - **120/90**

EBUS Scopes

- **EB-1970UK, EB19-J10U**
- Hitachi ultrasound systems with thoracic probes

- Angle of view - **45° Forward oblique**
- Scan Direction - **Longitudinal**
- Insertion Tube Diameter – **6.3mm**
- Instrument Channel Diameter – **2/2.2mm**
- Angulation Up/down – **120/90**



EBUS Scopes

- **EB-530US**
- SU-8000 ultrasound processor
- Angle of view - **10° Forward oblique**
- Scan Direction - **Longitudinal**
- Insertion Tube Diameter – **6.3mm**
- Instrument Channel Diameter – **2mm**
- Angulation Up/down – **130/90**



Established EBUS Scopes

	Diameter (mm)	Working channel (mm)	Working length (mm)	Field of view	Depth penetration (mm)	Frequency (MHz)	Scan modus	Comment
EB19-J10U Video EBUS-scope (Pentax)	7.3	2.2	600	100° / 45° Oblique optic	2-50	5.0-13.0	Electronic 75° curved linear array	Compatible with Hitachi Hi-Vision Scanner
BF-UC190F Video-EBUS-scope (Olympus)	6.6	2.2	600	80° / 20° Oblique optic	2-50	5.0-12.0	Electronic 65° curved linear array	Compatible with EU-ME2, Hitachi Aloka ProSound F75
EB-530US Video-EBUS-scope (Fujifilm)	6.7	2.0	610	120° / 10° Oblique optic	3-100	5.0-12.0	Electronic 60° curved	Compatible with SU-1-S/H



Endobronchial Ultrasound - Clinical Applications

- **Lymph node staging of Lung Cancer**

 - Pre-operative staging

 - Post-operative evaluation

 - Restaging

- **Diagnosis of centrally located intra-pulmonary pathologies**

- **Mediastinal and Hilar adenopathy - Benign and Malignant**

 - Sarcoidosis (overall yield of 90-92%)

 - Lymphoma (sensitivity 57-91%)

Endobronchial Ultrasound - Anesthesia

GA vs Moderate sedation for EBUS TBNA - RCT













	General Anesthesia (n=75)	Moderate Sedation (n=74)	P value
Outpatient			
LN's sampled/pt	3.2±1.9	2.8±1.5	0.199
LA with conscious sedation			
Dx Yield	70.7%	68.9%	0.816
Sensitivity	98.2%	98.1%	0.979
LMA /IGEL #4			
Completion Rate	100%	93.3%	0.028
ET Tubes - 8 and above			
Major Complication	0	0	
TIVA + LMA			
Minor Complication	5.3%	29.6%	< 0.001

Roberto F Casal et.al.Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2015 Apr 1;191(7):796-803.

Standard EBUS Image Classification

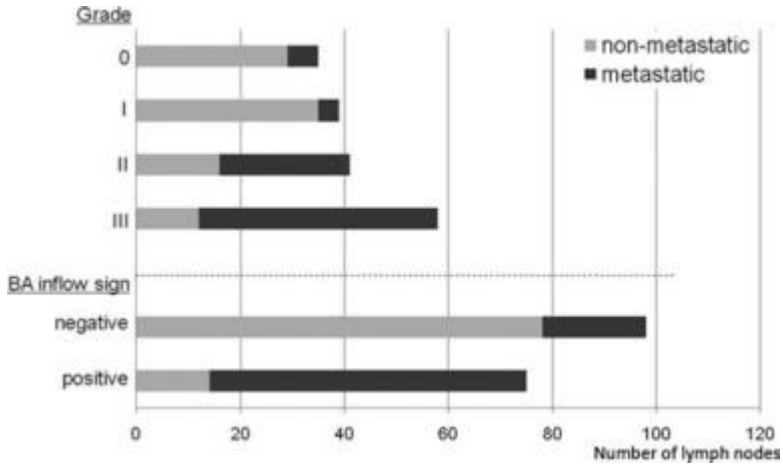
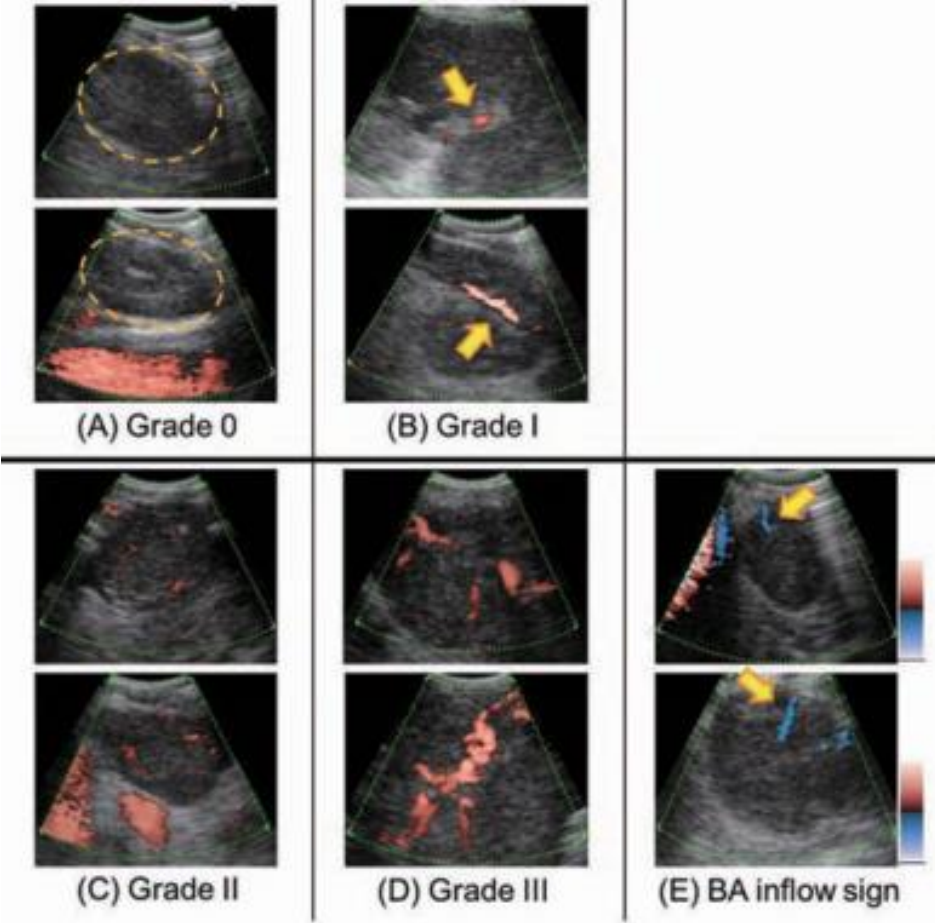
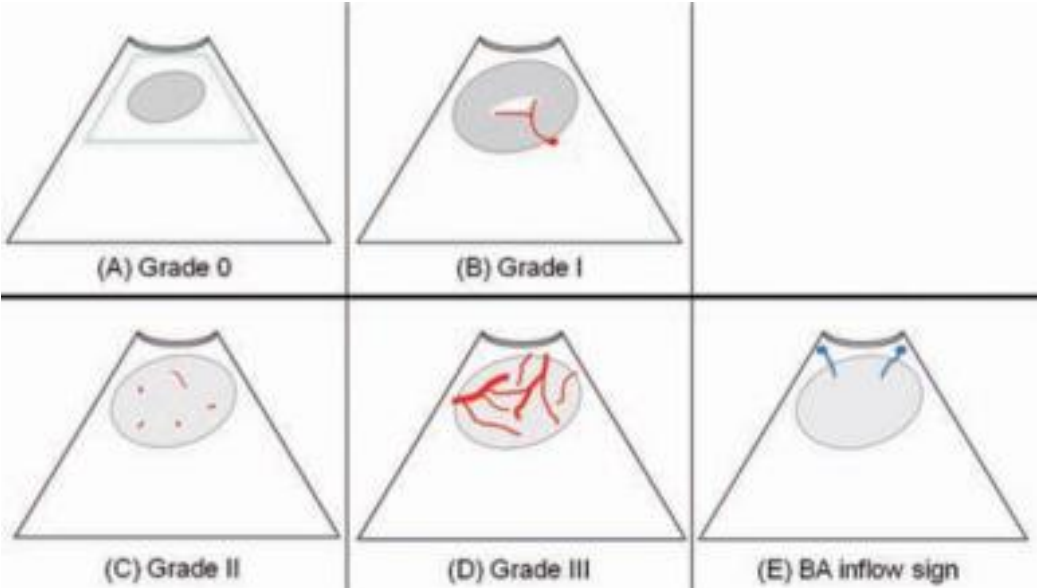
Malignant Predictors

- ✓ Size > 1cm
- ✓ Round Shape
- ✓ Distinct Margins
- ✓ Heterogenous Echo signal
- ✓ Absence of CHS
- ✓ High color power doppler index
- ✓ Absent CNS

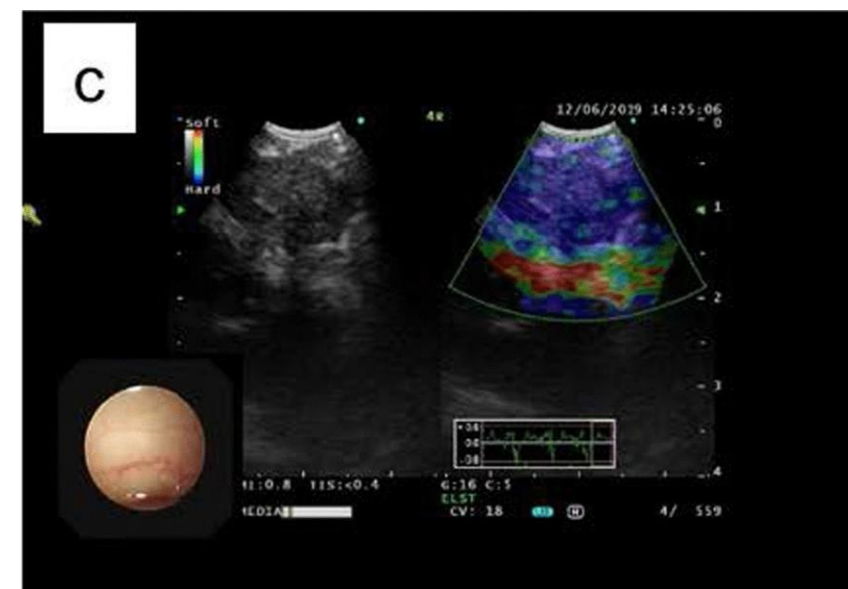
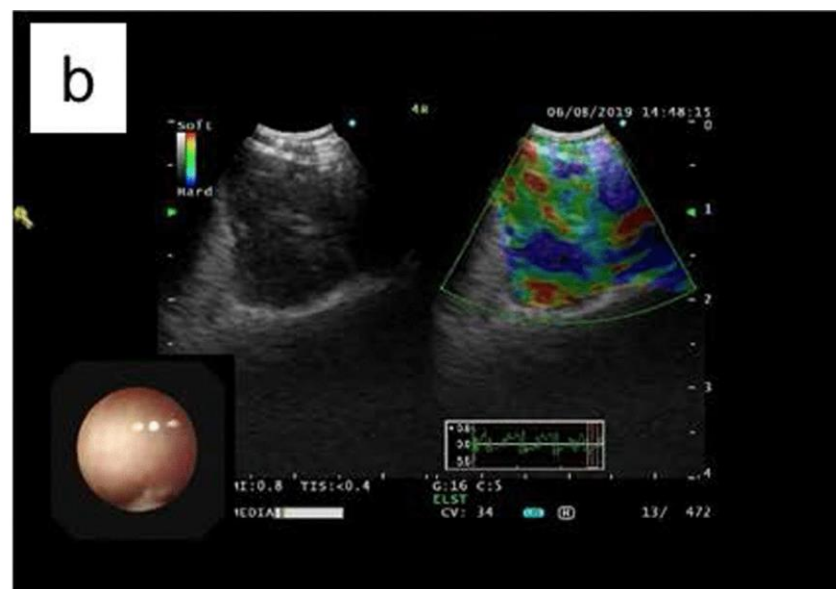
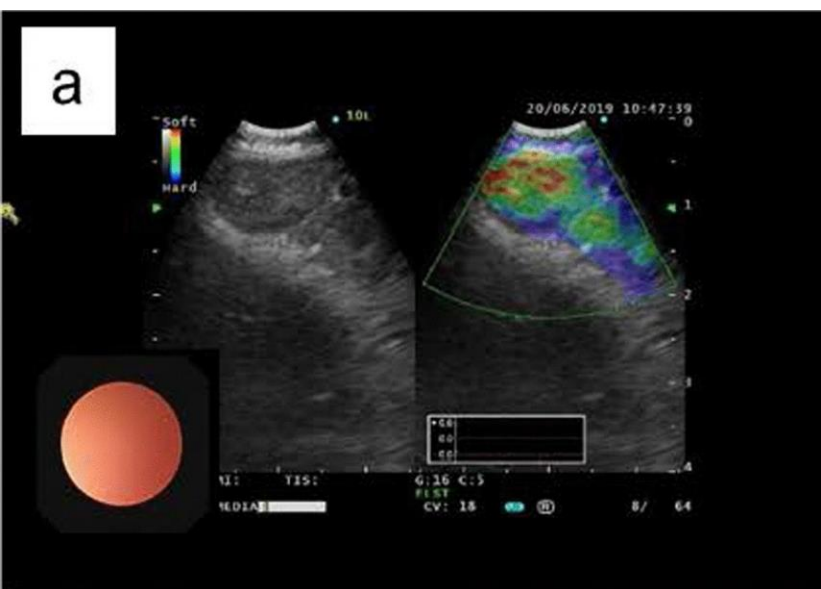
Size	Shape	Margin	Ecogenecity	Central Hilar Structure	Coagulation Necrosis Sign
 (a) ≤ 1cm	 (c) oval	 (e) indistinct	 (g) homogeneous	 (i) present	 (k) present
 (b) >1cm	 (d) round	 (f) distinct	 (h) heterogeneous	 (j) absent	 (l) absent

Morphologic Category	Sensitivity	Specificity	Positive Predictive Value	Negative Predictive Value	Diagnosis Accuracy
Size: > 10 mm	77.9	75.8	55.9	89.7	76.4
Shape: round	88.0	75.8	59.0	94.1	79.3
Margin: distinct	94.4	54.3	45.5	96.0	65.7
Echogenicity: heterogeneous	77.3	86.6	69.5	90.6	83.9
Central hilar structure: absence	89.7	53.5	43.3	92.9	63.8
Coagulation necrosis sign: presence	69.4	92.6	78.9	88.4	86.0

EBUS Imaging - Vascular Patterns



EBUS Imaging - Elastography



Group	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	PPV (%)	NPV (%)	+LR	-LR	AUC	Youden index
EBUS elastography	90.65	57.63	71.60	84.00	2.14	0.16	0.776	0.4827
ROSE	95.73	79.05	87.70	92.20	4.57	0.05	0.875	0.7478
Combination Group	85.84	92.65	95.10	79.70	11.67	0.15	0.940	0.7849

Combination of ROSE + Elastography

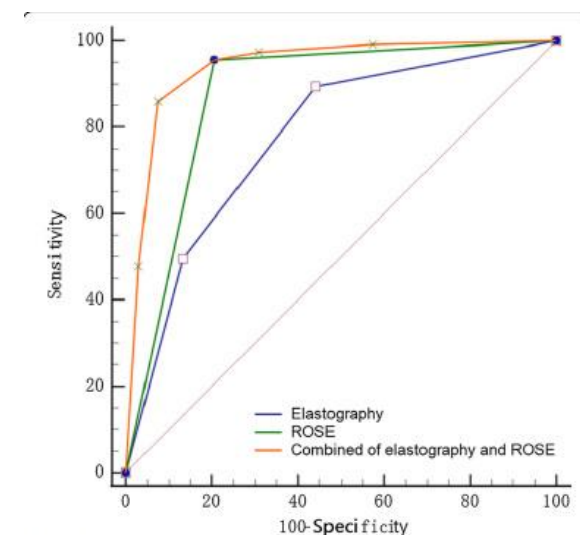


Fig. 3 Comparison of ROC curves of EBUS elastography, ROSE and combined EBUS elastography and ROSE groups

EBUS - Procedural Aspects

Beginners

- ❖ Forward Oblique view
- ❖ Reaching 4R , 10R and 4L
- ❖ Bronchoscopy image
- ❖ Use of second bronchoscope
- ❖ Financial implications

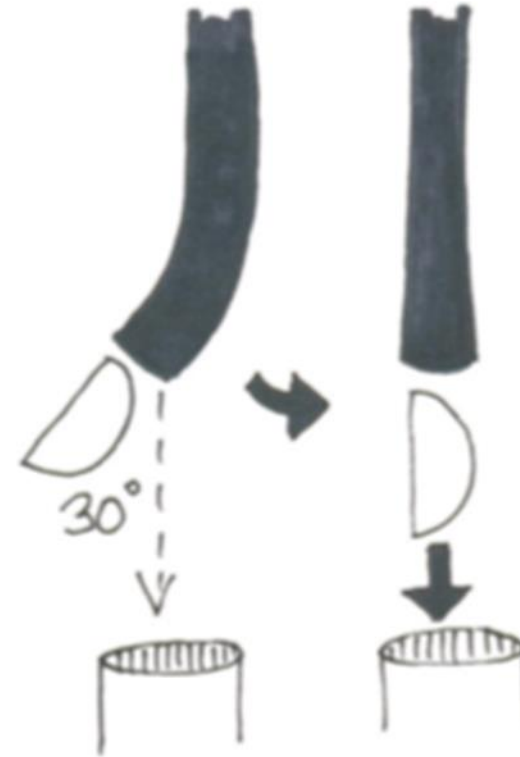
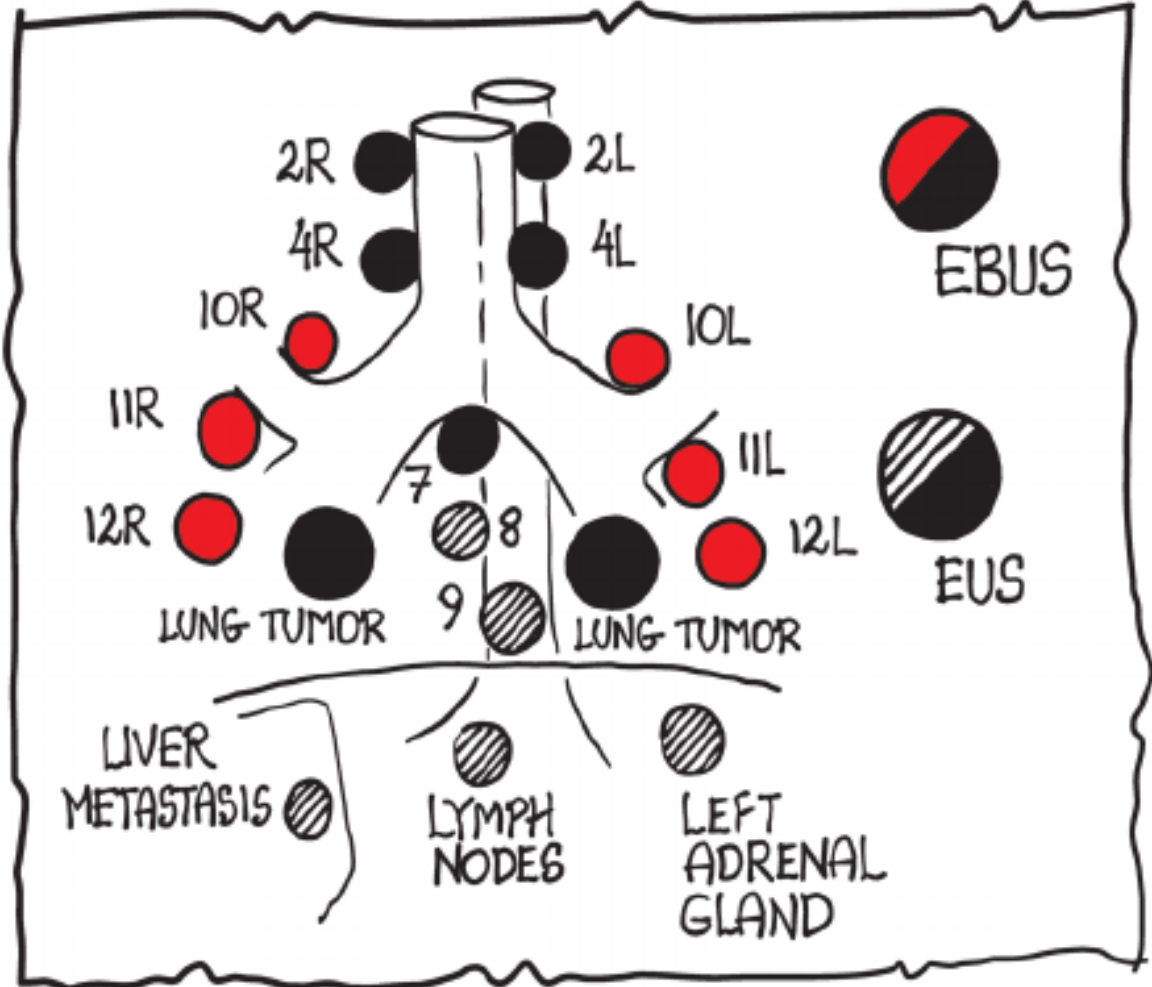


Figure 8.4(a)

EBUS - Procedural Aspects



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EBUS 6 LANDMARKS

SEARCH FOR THE LANDMARKS IN THIS ORDER :
4L → 7 → 10L → 10R → AZYGOS → 4R

4R



AZYGOS VEIN

4R

10R



AORTIC ARCH

LEFT PULMONARY ARTERY

4L



AZ



AZYGOS VEIN

4R

4L

10R

10L

7



10R



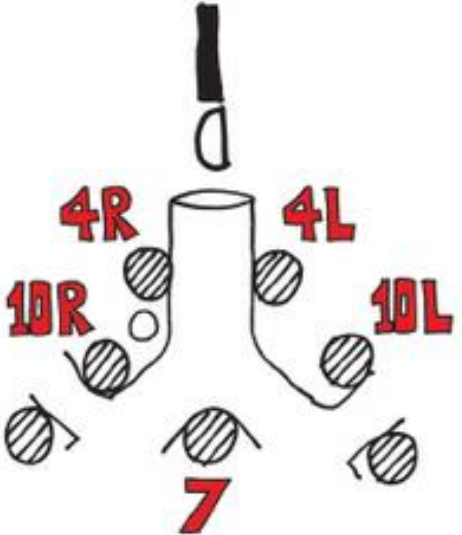
10R

7

10L

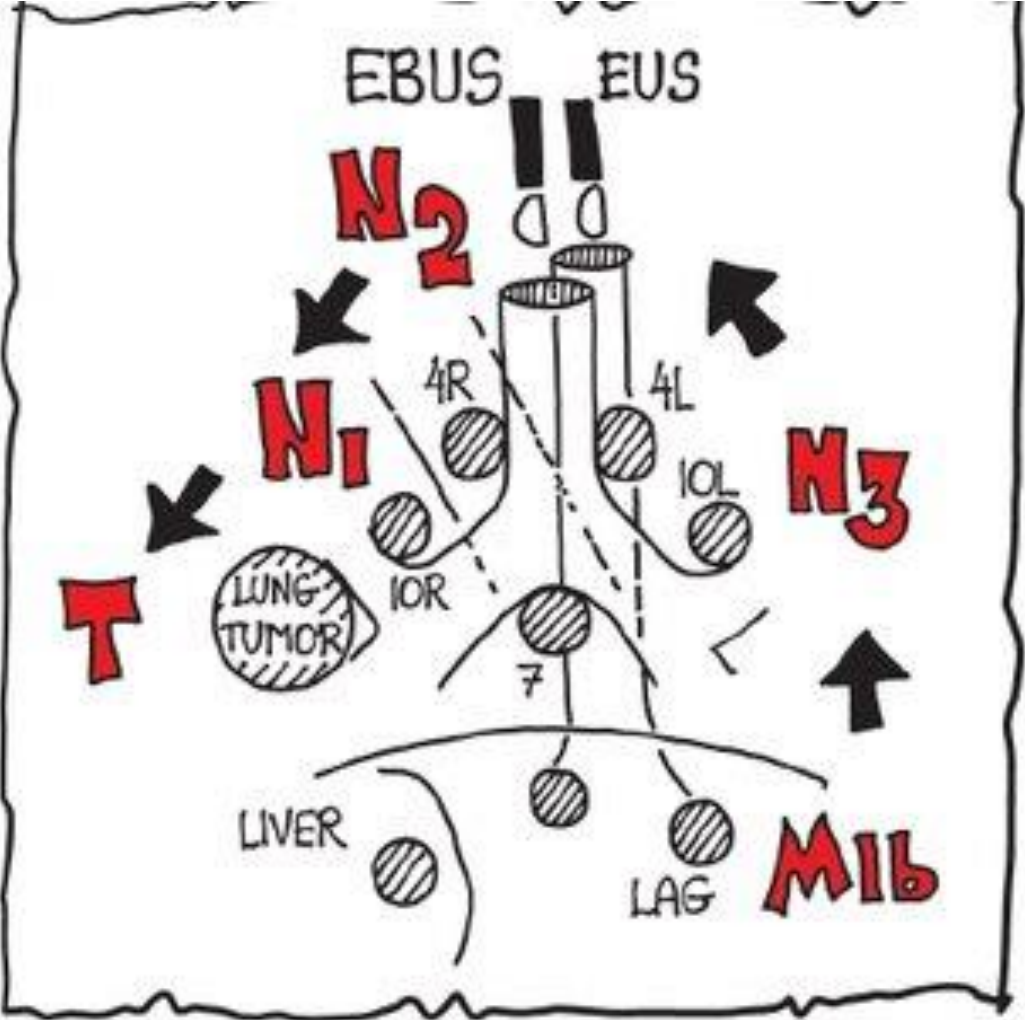


10L



EBUS - Procedural Aspects - Sampling Order

M1b – N3 – N2 – N1



EBUS - Procedural Aspects

EUS 6 LANDMARKS

SEARCH FOR THE LANDMARKS IN THIS ORDER:
 LIVER → ABDOMINAL AORTA →
 LEFT ADRENAL GLAND →
 7 → 4L → 4R

4R

4R

4L

7

7

4L

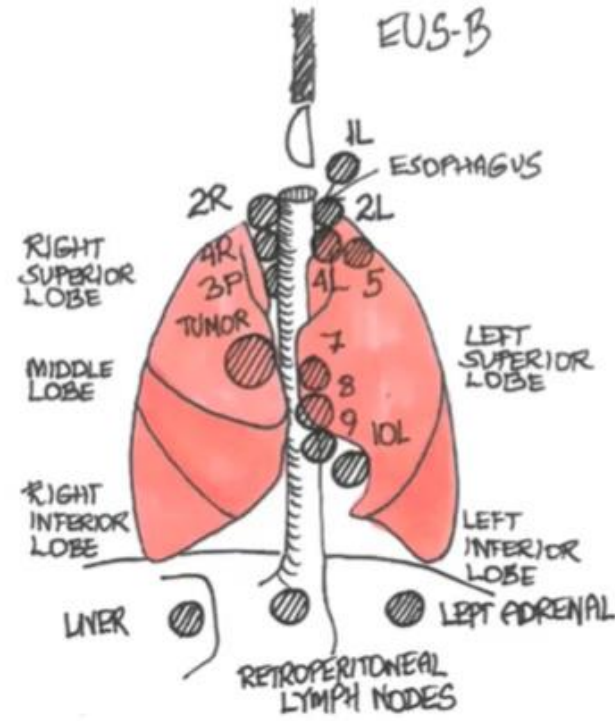
LIVER

AORTA

LEFT ADRENAL GLAND

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EUS-B-FNA in lung cancer work up



EBUS - Procedural Aspects

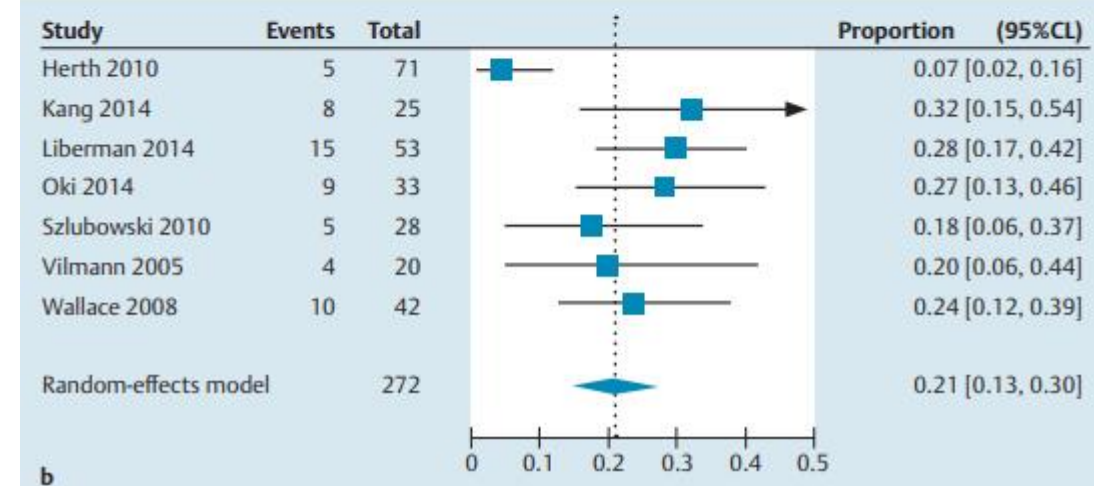
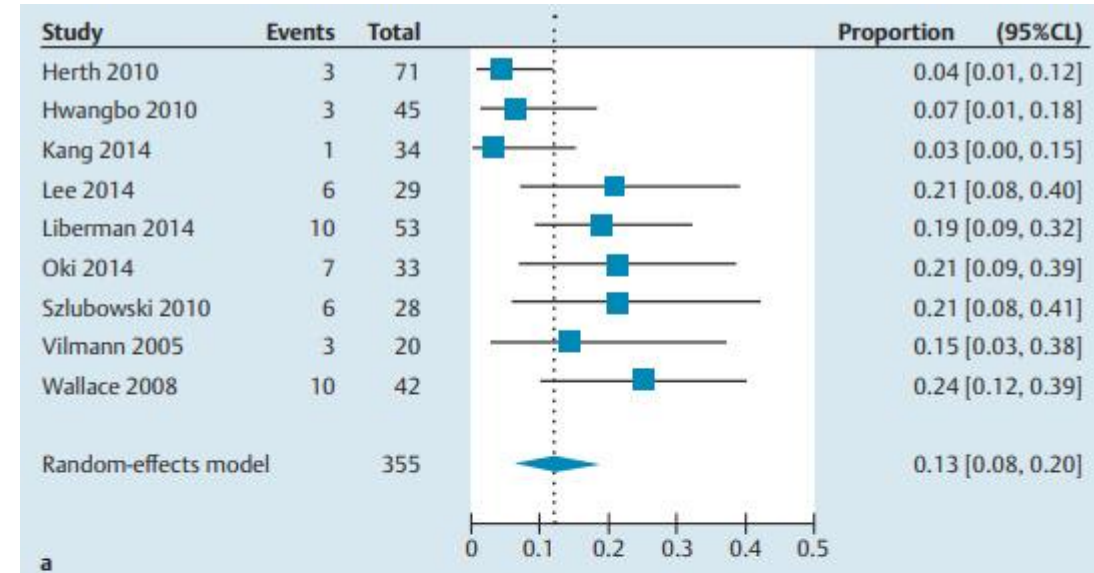
Combined endobronchial and esophageal endosonography for the diagnosis and staging of lung cancer: European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ESGE) Guideline, in cooperation with the European Respiratory Society (ERS) and the European Society of Thoracic Surgeons (ESTS)



ERS
EUROPEAN
RESPIRATORY
SOCIETY
every breath counts



EBUS + EUS b - Complimentary



EBUS - Procedural Aspects

First Author	Year	No.	Prev	Sens	Spec	PPV	NPV
Changlaj ¹⁵⁵	2001	127	64	88	83	90	79
Marom ⁸⁶	1999	79	56	73	94	85	88
Bury ¹⁵⁵	1996	30	53	88	86	88	86
Vansteenkiste ¹⁵⁶	1998	56	50	86	43	60	75
Sazon ¹⁶²	1996	32	50	100	100	100	100
Nosotti ¹⁴⁵	2008	413	48	97	97	97	97
Fritscher-Ravens ¹⁷⁶	2003	33	48	75	88	86	79
Wahl ¹⁵⁵	1994	23	48	82	75	75	82
Tatsumi ¹⁸⁶	2000	21	48	80	82	80	82
Guhlmann ¹⁸⁰	1997	32	47	87	100	100	89
Verhagen ⁷⁶	2004	56	46	58	90	83	71
Vansteenkiste ¹⁵¹	1998	68	41	93	95	93	95
Vesselle ¹⁸⁴	2002	118	36	81	96	92	90
Turkmen ¹³⁸	2007	59	36	76	79	67	86
Zimny ¹⁹²	2003	33	36	83	81	71	89
Liewald ⁹⁷	2000	78	35	93	78	69	95
Scott ¹⁵⁵	1996	27	33	100	100	100	100
Magnani ¹⁸⁸	1999	28	32	67	84	67	84
Pieterman ⁸⁰	2000	102	31	91	86	74	95
Yen ¹²⁷	2008	96	31	73	92	81	88
Chin ¹⁸³	1995	30	30	78	81	64	89
Demira ¹⁷⁸	2003	50	30	87	63	50	92
Steinert ¹⁹¹	1997	47	28	92	97	92	97
Melek ¹⁷⁵	2008	170	28	75	68	48	87
Kiernan ¹⁷⁸	2002	88	28	88	86	71	95
Halpern ⁷⁷	2005	36	28	50	77	45	80
Pozo-Rodriguez ²⁴	2005	132	27	81	76	56	91
Dumagan ¹⁸⁴	2001	81	26	52	88	61	84
Reed ¹⁵	2003	302	25	61	84	56	87
Bernasconi ¹⁷⁹	2006	51	25	54	76	44	83
Roberts ¹⁸⁰	2000	100	24	88	91	75	96
Gonzalez-Stawinski ¹⁸⁰	2003	202	23	66	78	48	88
Bury ¹⁵²	1997	64	22	86	100	100	96
Takamochi ¹¹²	2005	71	21	40	88	46	84
Saunders ¹⁴⁸	1999	84	20	71	97	86	93
Kernstine ¹⁵³	2002	237	19	82	82	51	95
Kelly ¹³⁴	2004	69	19	62	98	(89) ^f	92
Nomori ¹³⁵	2004	80	18	86	97	(86) ^f	97
Lee ⁸¹	2007	210	17	61	94	(69) ^f	92
Ebihara ¹⁵¹	2006	205	15	74	90	(58) ^f	95
Poncellet ¹⁸²	2001	61	15	67	85	(43) ^f	94
Von Haag ¹⁸⁰	2002	52	12	67	91	(50) ^f	95
Yamamoto ¹⁵⁴	2008	34	9	33	84	(17) ^f	93
Konishi ¹⁵¹	2003	54	9	80	92	(50) ^f	98
Farrell ¹²	2000	84	5	100	93	(40) ^f	100
Median: prevalence > 30				85	87	84	88
Median: prevalence 21-30				77	83	56	89
Median: prevalence ≤ 20				71	92	51	95
Summary: median	4,105	28		80	88	75	91

First Author	Year	No.	Stage	Thoro	Prev	Sens	Spec ^a	PPV ^a	NPV
TM									
Hammoud ²⁷⁵	1999	1,369	cN0-3	Sel	36	85	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	92
Lemaire ²³⁰	2006	1,362	cN0-3	Sys	29	86	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	95
Coughlin ²⁴³	1985	1,259	cN0-3	Sel	29	92	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	97
Luke ^{242, b}	1986	1,000	cN0-2	Sel	39	85	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	91
De Leyn ²³⁸	1996	500	cN0-2	Sys	39	76	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	87
Anraku ²²⁷	2010	352	cN0-3	Sys	37	92	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Page ^{241, b}	1987	345	cN0-2	Sel	48	73	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Dillemans ²³⁹	1994	331	cN0-3	Sys	41	72	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Brion ²⁴⁴	1985	153	cN0-2	Sel	35	67	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Fibla ²³¹	2006	142	cN0-3	Sel	42	67	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Jolly ¹⁶⁰	1991	136	cN0-2	Sel	54	92	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Ratto ¹²⁵	1990	123	cN0-2	Sel	33	88	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Ebner ^{236, b}	1999	116	cN0-2	Sys	50	81	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Annema ²²⁸	2010	110	cN0-3	Sel	46	80	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Gdeedo ¹⁵³	1997	100	cN0-3	Sys	32	78	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Riordain ²⁴⁰	1991	74	cN0-2	Sel	50	81	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Aaby ¹⁵⁶	1995	57	cN0-3	Sys	44	84	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Block ²²⁶	2010	54	cN0-3	Sel	44	88	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Kim ²²⁴	2011	750	cN0	Sys	15	44	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Choi ²³⁵	2003	291	cN0	Sys	15	44	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Meyers ²²⁹	2006	169	cN0	Sel	8	38	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Cerfolio ²³²	2006	153	cN0-1	Sys	14	32	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Deneffe ²⁴⁵	1983	124	cN0	Sel	31	68	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Park ²²⁵	2010	78	cN0	Sys	8	50	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Gurses ²³⁴	2002	67	cN0	Sys	15	40	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Leschber ²²²	2008	52	cN0	Sys	19	...	(100) ^a	...	
Median: cN0-3			cN0-3	39% sys	40	83			
Median: cN0			cN0	75% sys	16	47			
Median: sys				46% cN0	27	74			
Median: sel				17% cN0	39	81			
Summary TM: median		9267			33	78	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
VAM									
Venissac ²²³	2003	154	cN2-3	Sys	71	97	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Kimura ²³⁰	2007	209	cN0-3	Sel	31	78	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Lardinois ²⁴⁰	2003	195	cN0-3	Sys	34	87	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Kimura ¹³⁵	2003	125	cN0-3	Sys	36	85	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Sayar ²⁴⁹	2011	104	cN0-2	Sel	29	90	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Anraku ²²⁷	2010	89	cN0-3	Sys	22	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
Leschber ²²²	2008	119	cN0	Sys	17	...	(100) ^a	...	
Summary VAM: median		995			31	89	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	
LA									
Zielinski ¹⁶⁴	2007	256	cN0-2	Compl	31	94	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	97
Witte ³⁶⁵	2006	130	cN0-2	Compl	...	94	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	99
Summary LA: median		386		compl	31	94	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	98
Summary ALL: median		10,648			34	81	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	91

Study	Year	No.	Stage	Thoro	Prev	Sens	Spec ^a	PPV ^a	NPV
Fielding ³⁴¹	2009	68	cN1-3	Sel	87	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	(67) ^b
Steinfort ³³⁴	2011	117	cN1-3	Sys	80	97	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	87
Cetinkaya ³³²	2011	52	cN2-3	Sys	80	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	83
Rintoul ³⁴⁴	2009	109	cN1-3	Sys	77	91	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	60
Gilbert ³³⁹	2009	67	cN1-3	Sel	70	93	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	83
Yasufuku ³⁴⁹	2005	108	cN1-3	Sys	69	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	90
Yasafuku ³⁵⁰	2004	70	cN1-3	Sys	67	96	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	92
Szlobowski ³⁴³	2009	226	cN0-3	Sys	64	89	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	84
Ye ³³³	2011	101	cN1-3	Sel	63	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	93
Cerfolio ³³⁶	2010	92	cN2	Sys	63	57	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	79
Lee BE ³²⁹	2012	73	cN0-3	Sys	62	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	94
Bauwens ³⁴⁵	2008	106	cN1-3	Sys	58	95	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	91
Sun ³³⁷	2010	49	cN1-3	Sys	53	85	96	96	85
Herth ²⁰⁷	2010	139	cN1-3	Sel	52	91	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	92
Memoli ³³¹	2011	100	cN1-3	Sys	47	87	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	89
Omark Petersen ³⁴⁰	2009	151	cN2-3	Lim	43	85	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	89
Yasufuku ³³⁰	2011	153	cN0-3	Sys	35	81	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	91
Hwangbo ³³⁵	2010	150	cN2-3	Sys	31	84	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	93
Wallace ²⁹⁶	2008	138	cN2-3	Sys	30	69	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	88
Lee HS ³⁴⁶	2008	102	cN2-3	Sys	30	94	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	97
Hwangbo ³⁴²	2009	117	cN2-3	Sys	26	90	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	97
Yasufuku ³⁴⁸	2006	102	cN1-3	Sys	25	92	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	97
Szlobowski ³⁴³	2010	120	cN0	Sel	22	46	99	93	86
Herth ²¹¹	2006	100	cN0	Sys	21	92	(100) ^a	(100) ^a	96
Nakajima ³³⁸	2010	49	cN1-3	Sys	18	67	(100) ^a	(100) ^{a,c}	93
Herth ²¹⁰	2008	97	cN0	Sys	10	89	(100) ^a	(100) ^{a,c}	99
Median: Prevalence ≥ 80						96			83
Median: Prevalence 60-79						91			83
Median: Prevalence 40-59						87			89
Median: Prevalence 20-39						87			95
Median: Prevalence < 20						78			96
Median: cN1-3						91			89
Median: cN0						89			96
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Figure. Molecular Diagnosis of NSCLC: A Suggested Approach

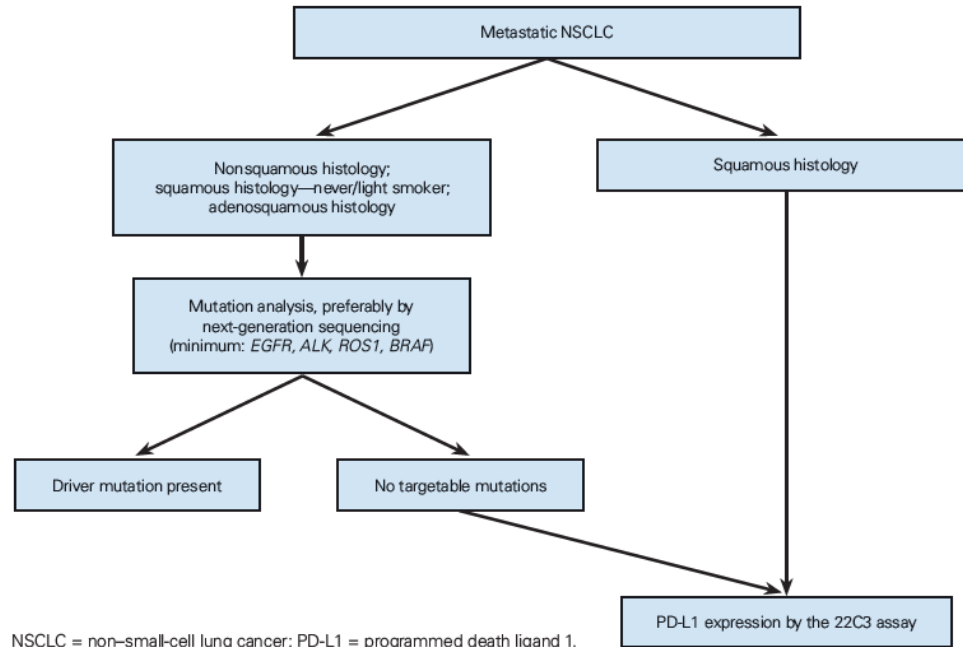


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<i>MET</i>	2%	Crizotinib
<i>ROS1</i>	1.5%	Crizotinib, ceritinib
<i>HER2</i>	1%	Ado-trastuzumab emtansine
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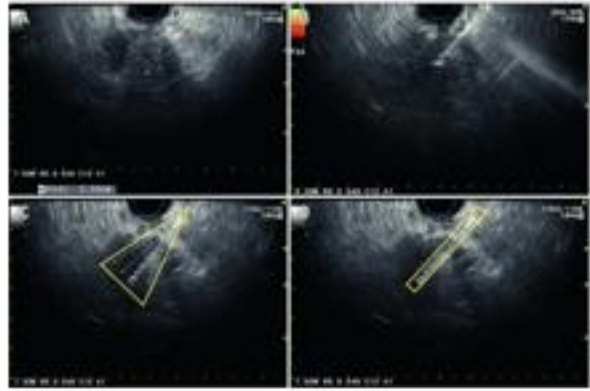
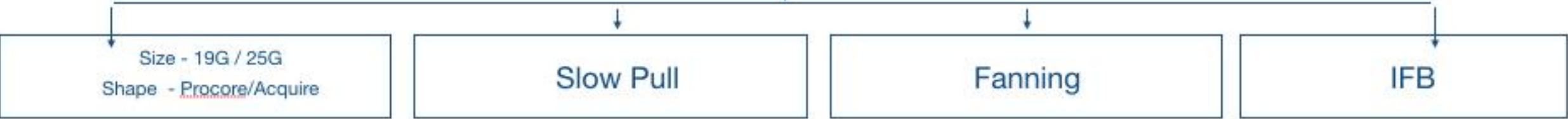
^aThese patients may be candidates for pembrolizumab if their tumors exhibit high programmed death ligand 1 expression.

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- Molecular classification - essential part of routine lung cancer care
- Growing number of targetable molecular alterations
- 30% of the patients diagnosed with NSCLC, tumor cellularity is < 40%
- In approximately 23% of patients, the tissue is not adequate for molecular analyses due to the difficulty of reaching tumor sites with non-invasive methods
- Moreover, in some cases, tumor necrotic cells decrease cellular density, resulting in low-quality sequencing.

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EBUS - Techniques



The need for new Techniques of Tissue Acquisition

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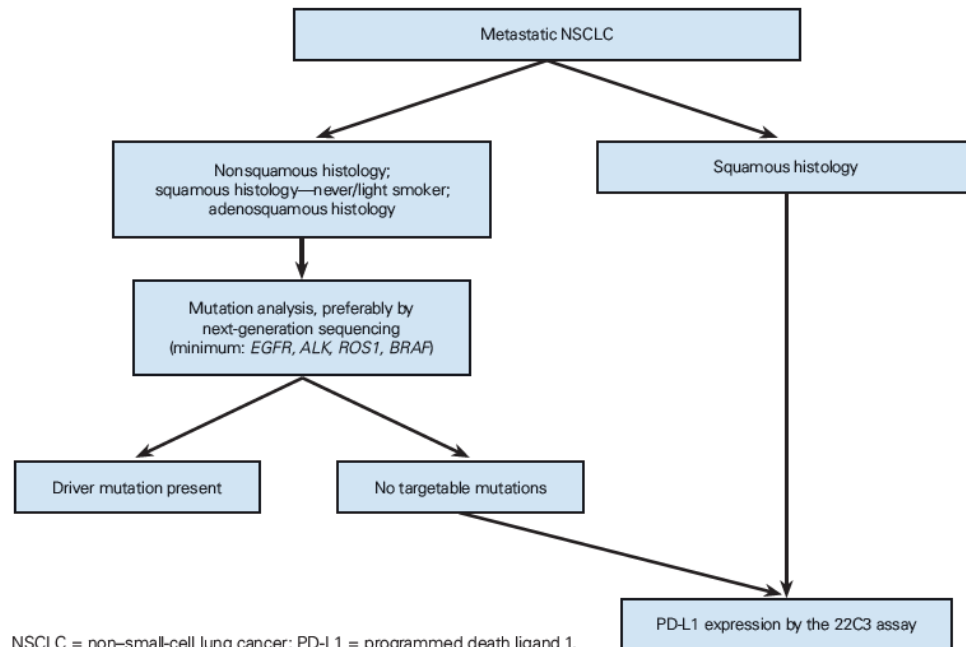


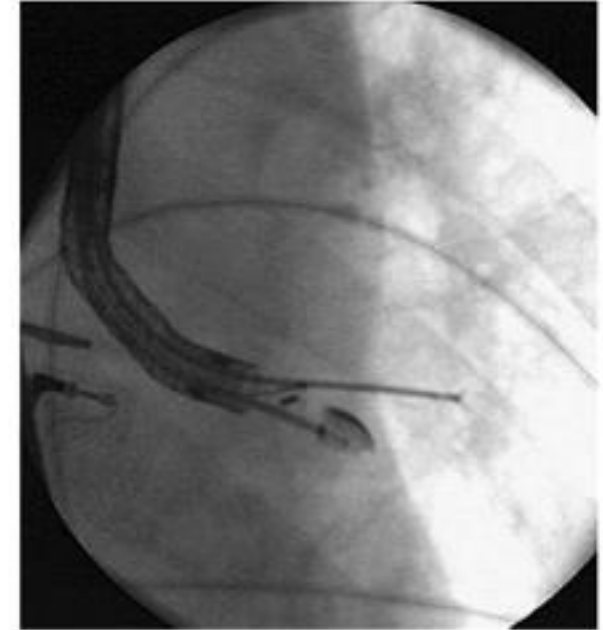
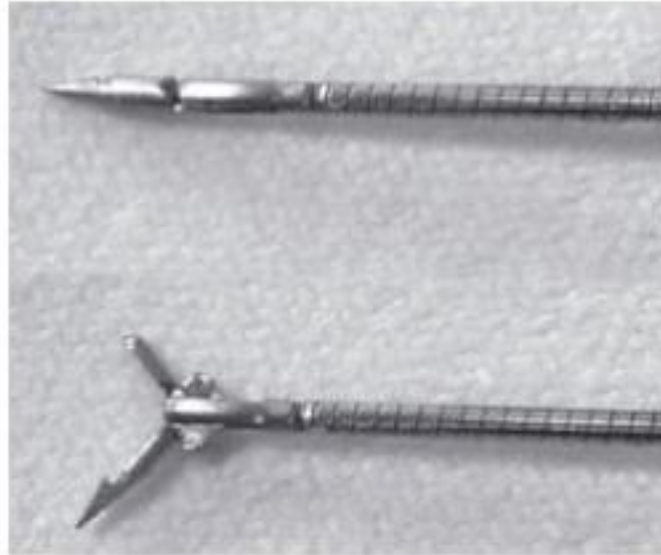
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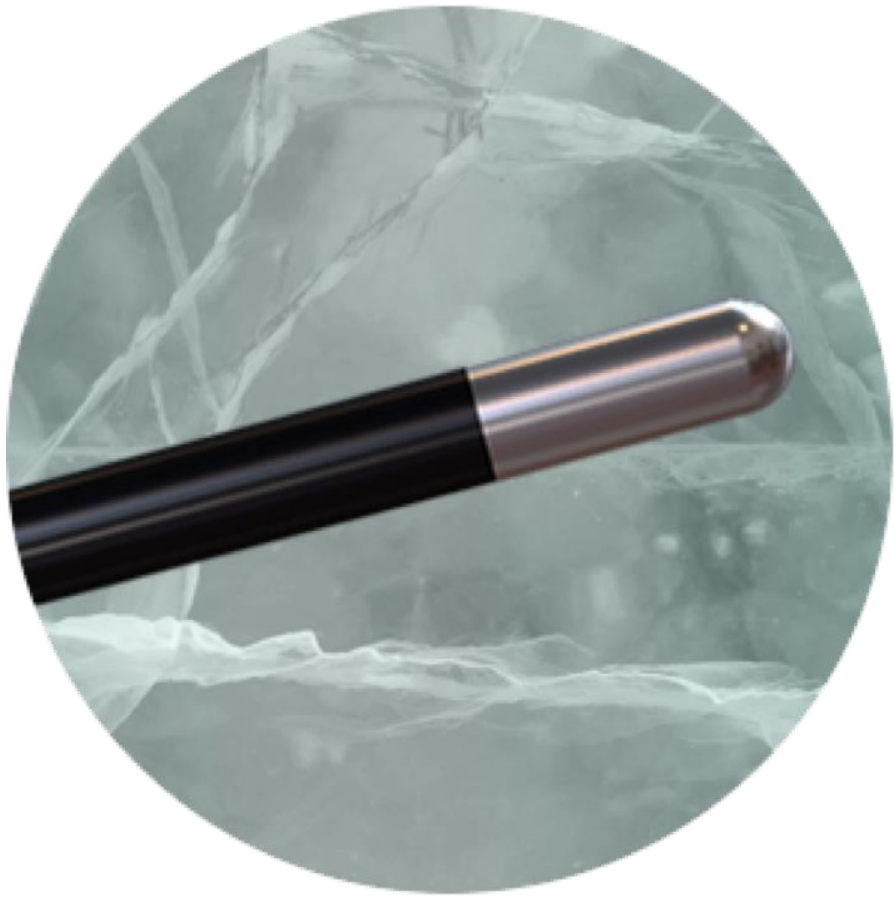
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IntraNodal Forceps Biopsy

Modality	Diagnostic yield	Numbers	Significance
EBUS-TBNA	81%	60/74	p=0.09
EBUS-MFB	91%	67/74	
TBNA+MFB	97%	72/74	p<0.001

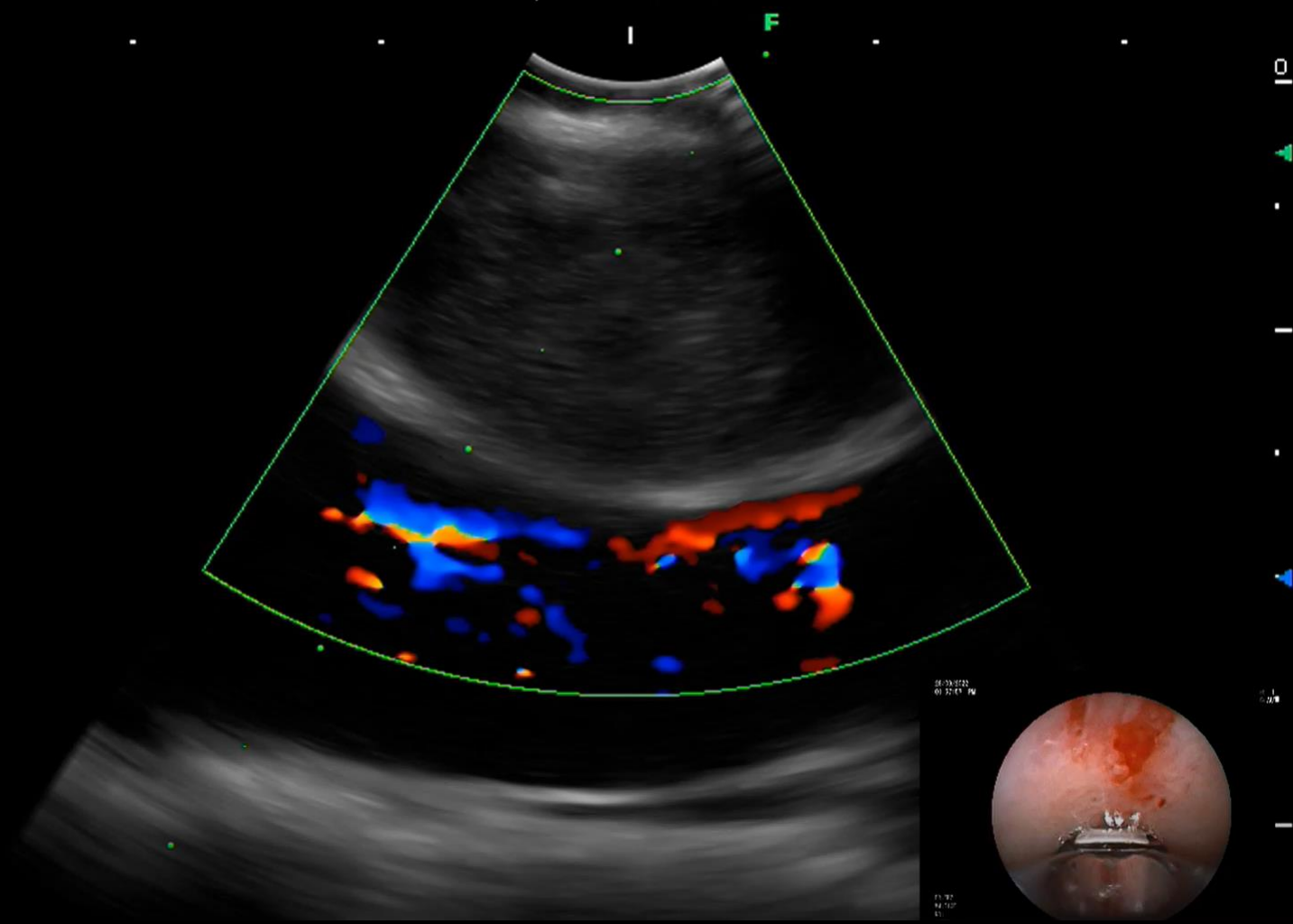
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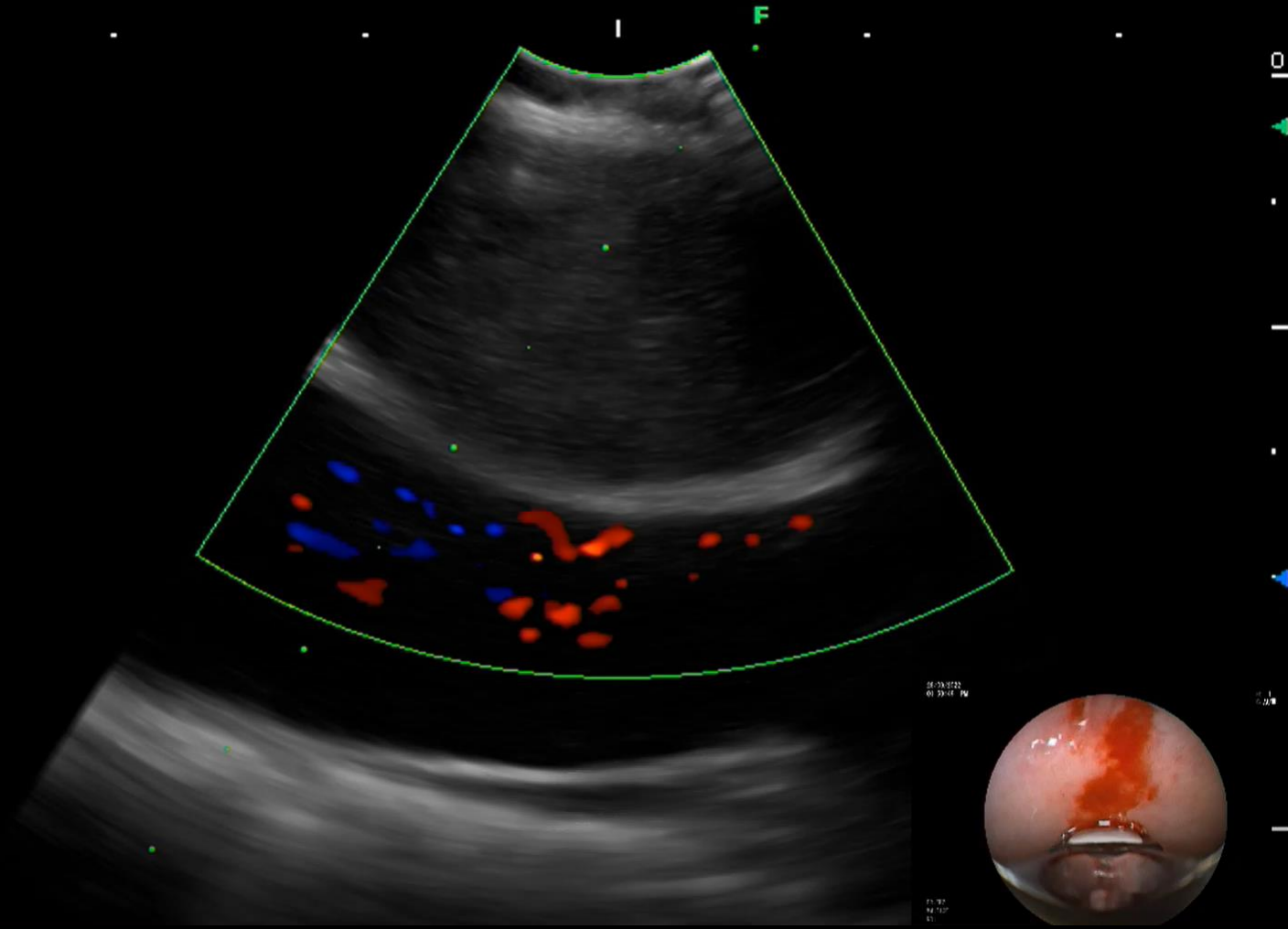
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Endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial cry-nodal biopsy: a novel approach for mediastinal lymph node sampling

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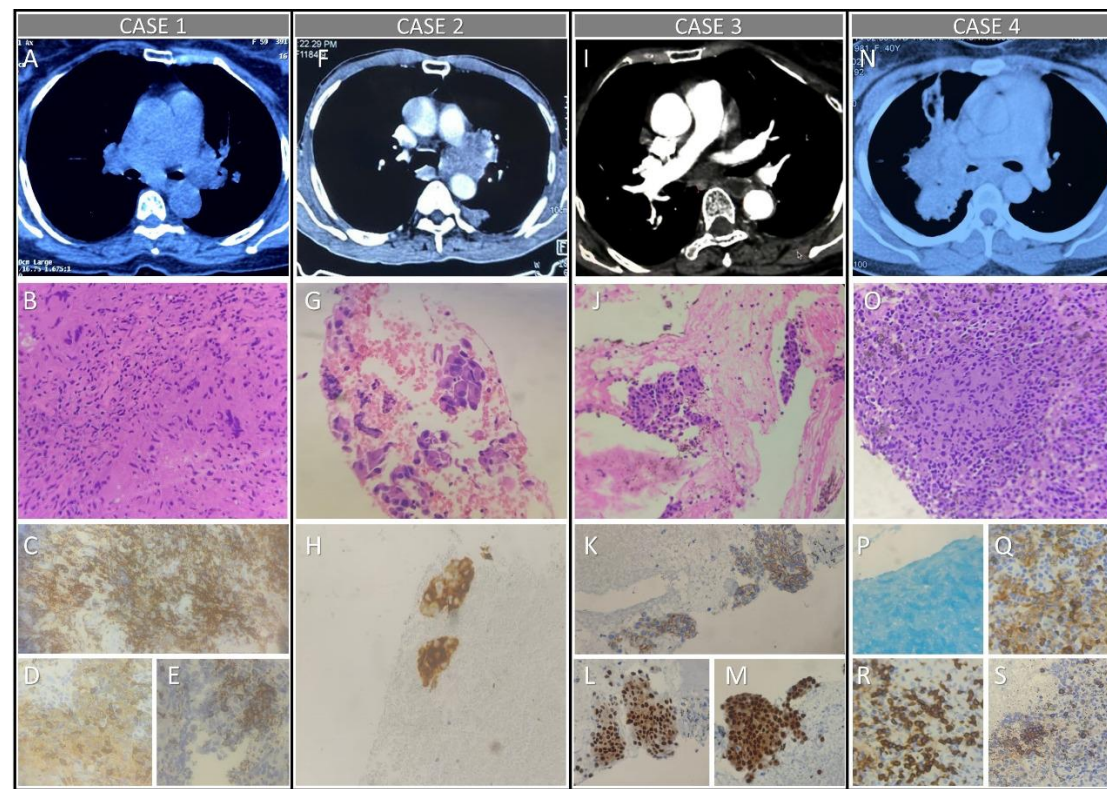
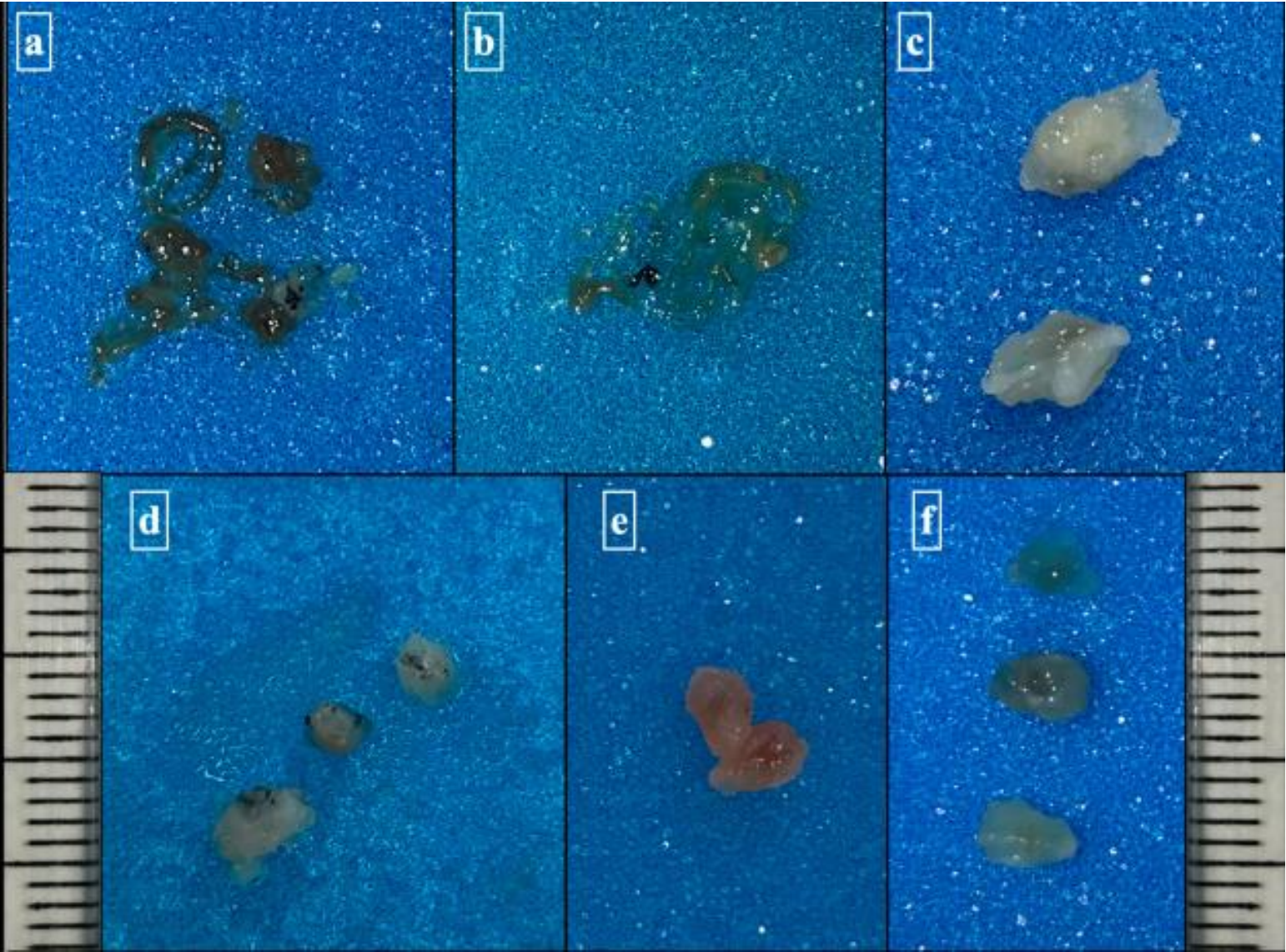


Figure 1: Case 1 – (A) Non-contrast CT thorax showing sub-carinal and hilar nodes, (B) Non caseating epithelioid granuloma with giant cells and fibrosis. H&E 40x, CD4 cells (C) are more evident than CD 8 cells (D) while few B lymphocytes are highlighted with CD 20 (E); Case 2 – (F) Contrast CT thorax showing left hilar mass with paratracheal lymph nodes, (G) Adenocarcinoma cells, H&E, 10x (H) with positivity for ROS1 (D4D6), 10x; Case 3 – (I) Contrast CT showing left interlobar node, (J) Metastatic Carcinoma from breast, H&E, 10x, Tumour cells are positive for Her2 (K), ER (L) and GATA3 (M); Case 4 – (N) Non-contrast CT showing right parahilar lesion with sub-carinal lymph node, (O) Necrotising Granuloma, H&E, 40x (P) Ziehl-Neelsen stain highlights few pink rod shaped bacilli (red arrow), CD8 cells (Q) are more evident than CD 4 cells (R) while few B lymphocytes are highlighted with CD 20 (S)

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EBUS - Mediastinal Cryobiopsy

No needle Technique

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Transbronchial mediastinal cryobiopsy in the diagnosis of mediastinal lesions: a randomised trial

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Results

Definitive Diagnosis - 181/197 patients (93.3%)

152 patients - Both TBNA and cryobiopsy - yield diagnosis

26 additional cases where TBNA failed - Cryobiopsy established the diagnosis

- 6 - NSCLC
- 6- Lymphoma
- 1 - Seminoma
- 8 - Tuberculosis
- 5 - Sarcoidosis

Conversely - 3 NSCLC patients - diagnosis was established only by TBNA

Overall diagnostic yield for TBNA - 79.9% and for Cryo 91.8%

Sub group analysis - no difference in diagnostic yield in common lung cancer (94.1% for TBNA vs 95.6% for cryobiopsy)

The diagnostic yield of mediastinal cryobiopsy was significantly higher in Uncommon tumors (91.7% versus 25.0%)

Benign lesions - 80.9% versus 53.2%

Table 2. Variability in Transbronchial Mediastinal Cryobiopsy technique

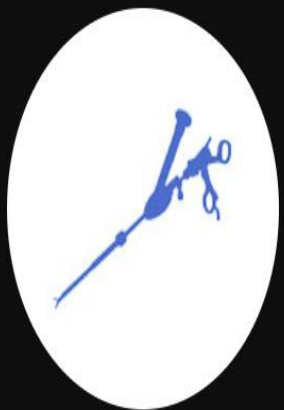
First author	Year	Anesthesia	Airway	Targeted LN	Needle size / passes	ROSE	Cryo size	Track creation	# MCB pass	Freezing time
Zhang(28)	2021	CS	transoral	2R/L to 12R/L	?G x 4	no	1.1	EC knife	3	7
Fan(29)	2023	CS	transoral	2R/L to 13R/L	22G x 4	no	1.1	EC knife	1	7
Ariza-Protá(30)	2023	CS	transoral	7, 4R mostly	22G x 3-5	no	1.1	TBNA	3	4
Gershman(31)	2022	CS/DS	LMA	7, 4L	19G x 3	no	1.1 / 1.7	TBNA/Nd YAG/ track dilation	2-4	3-4
Oikonomidou(50)	2022	CS/DS	LMA/ETT+ jet vent	N/A	19/21/22G x 4	no	1.1	TBNA + 19G sheath	2	3
Maturu(32)	2023	GA	LMA	7,4R,11L,11R	19G	yes	1.1	TBNA	4-7	5-6
Gonuguntla (37)	2021	GA	LMA	7, 11L	19/21/22	yes	1.1	TBNA	1-2	3
Ariza-Protá (45)	2022	CS	transoral	7,11R	22G x 4	yes	1.1	TBNA	3	3
Genova(33)	2022	DS	?	7, 10R	19G x 3	no	1.1	TBNA	2	4
Salcedo-Lobera(51)	2022	CS	transoral	7, retrotrach mass	22G x 3	no	1.1	TBNA	1-2	8
Zhang(27)	2020	CS	transoral	10L	22G x 4	no	1.1	EC knife	2	15
Huang(36)	2021	CS	transoral+ esophageal	paraaortic LN	21G x 4	no	1.1	air inflation + EC knife	2	7
Ishiguro(52)	2022	N/A	?	esophageal mass	22G x 3	no	?	TBNA	2	?
Kho(38)	2022	TIVA	RB	7	22G x 4	yes	1.1	TBNA	2	7
Tamburrini(34)	2022	GA	RB	7	21G	no	1.1	TBNA+forceps	2	4
Zhang(35)	2022	CS	transoral	7	21G x 4	no	1.1	TBNA+sheath	1	7
Hetze(53)l	2023	?	transoral	4L	(?)G x 4	yes	1.1	EC knife	several	7
Schwick (41)	2023	GA	ETT	7	19G x 2-3	no	1.1	TBNA + sheath	1	5-7
Takemura(54)	2023	?	?	11s	25G x 3	no	1.7	TBNA	4	?
Zhang(55)	2023	CS	transoral	11L	21G x 4	no	1.1	EC knife	1	7

LMA, laryngeal mask airway; ETT, endotracheal tube; RB, rigid bronchoscopy, LN, lymph node, G, gauge; EC, electrocautery; Nd YAG, neodymium-doped yttrium aluminum garnet

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Take Home Message

- EBUS - Diagnostic procedure of choice in Lung Cancer Staging
- EBUS + EUSb – Complete Mediastinal Staging
- In the Era of Molecular Analysis - More tissue acquisition
- Mediastinal Cryo biopsy - safe and feasible
- Mediastinal Cryobiopsy - Improves the Diagnostic yield in all pathologies
- Training aspects - Simulator Training is essential



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