

# Early (or Late?) Diagnostics vs. Migration of CRC Patients in Therapeutic Burden of Comprehensive Cancer Centers

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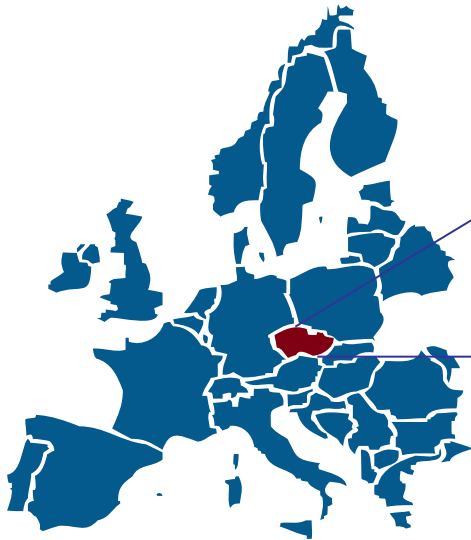
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***Part I.***

***Introducing Faculty Hospital Brno  
and Its Cancer Burden***

# Faculty Hospital Brno, Czech Republic: example of a big CCC

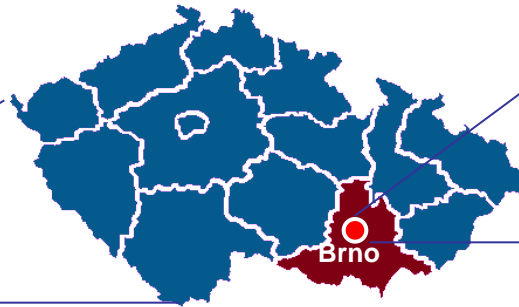


## Czech Republic

population 10.532 million inhabitants

## Age 65+ in population

	N	%
Czech Republic	1,635,826	15.5%
South Moravia	186,690	16.2%
Brno	66,299	17.9%



## South Moravia

population 1.155 million inhabitants

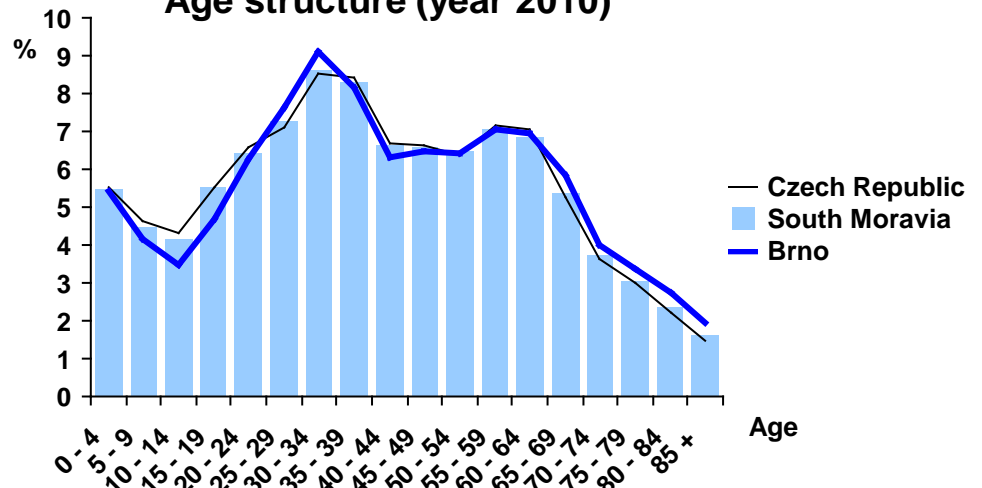
## Brno

population 371,400 inhabitants



Faculty Hospital Brno

## Age structure (year 2010)

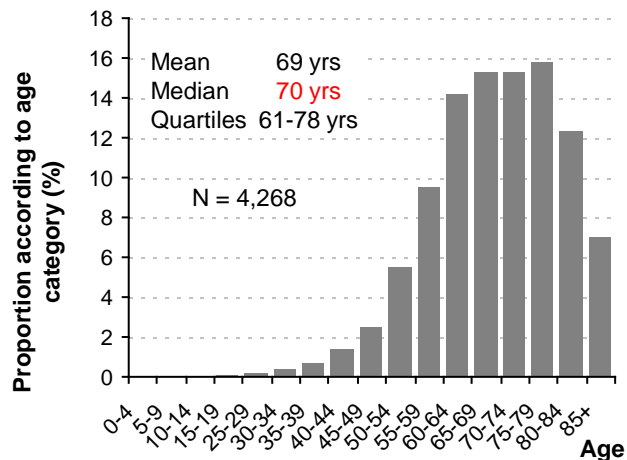


Faculty Hospital Brno can serve as a fully representative example of comprehensive cancer centers (CCCs) in the Czech Republic. Regional population in its tributary area fully corresponds to the demographic profile of the whole Czech population.

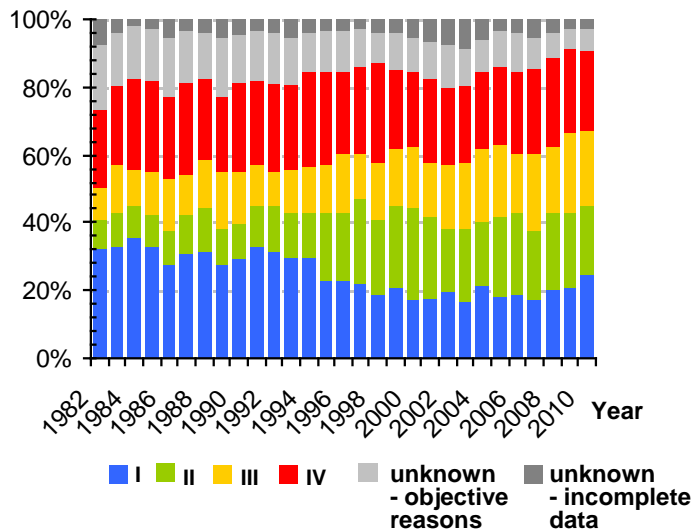
# Epidemiology of colorectal cancer in South Moravia Region

## Age of patients

period 2006 - 2010



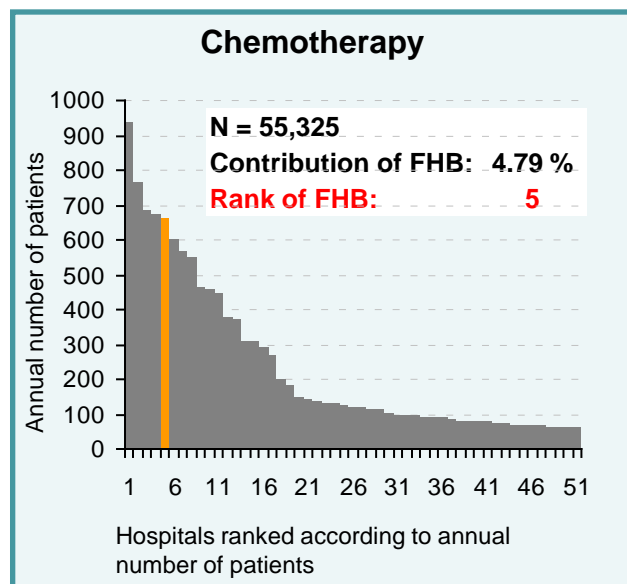
## Stage of the disease



Period 2006-2010

	Annual number (%)
Stage I	174 (20.4 %)
Stage II	187 (21.9 %)
Stage III	181 (21.2 %)
Stage IV	211 (24.7 %)
Stage unknown - objective reasons	70 (8.2 %)
Stage unknown - incomplete data	31 (3.6 %)
<b>Total</b>	<b>854 (100 %)</b>

# First line treatment of cancer patients in FHB („hospital volume“; 2007-2010)



Faculty Hospital Brno is one of the biggest high volume cancer center in the Czech Republic which is the consequence of ever growing cancer burden in the region.

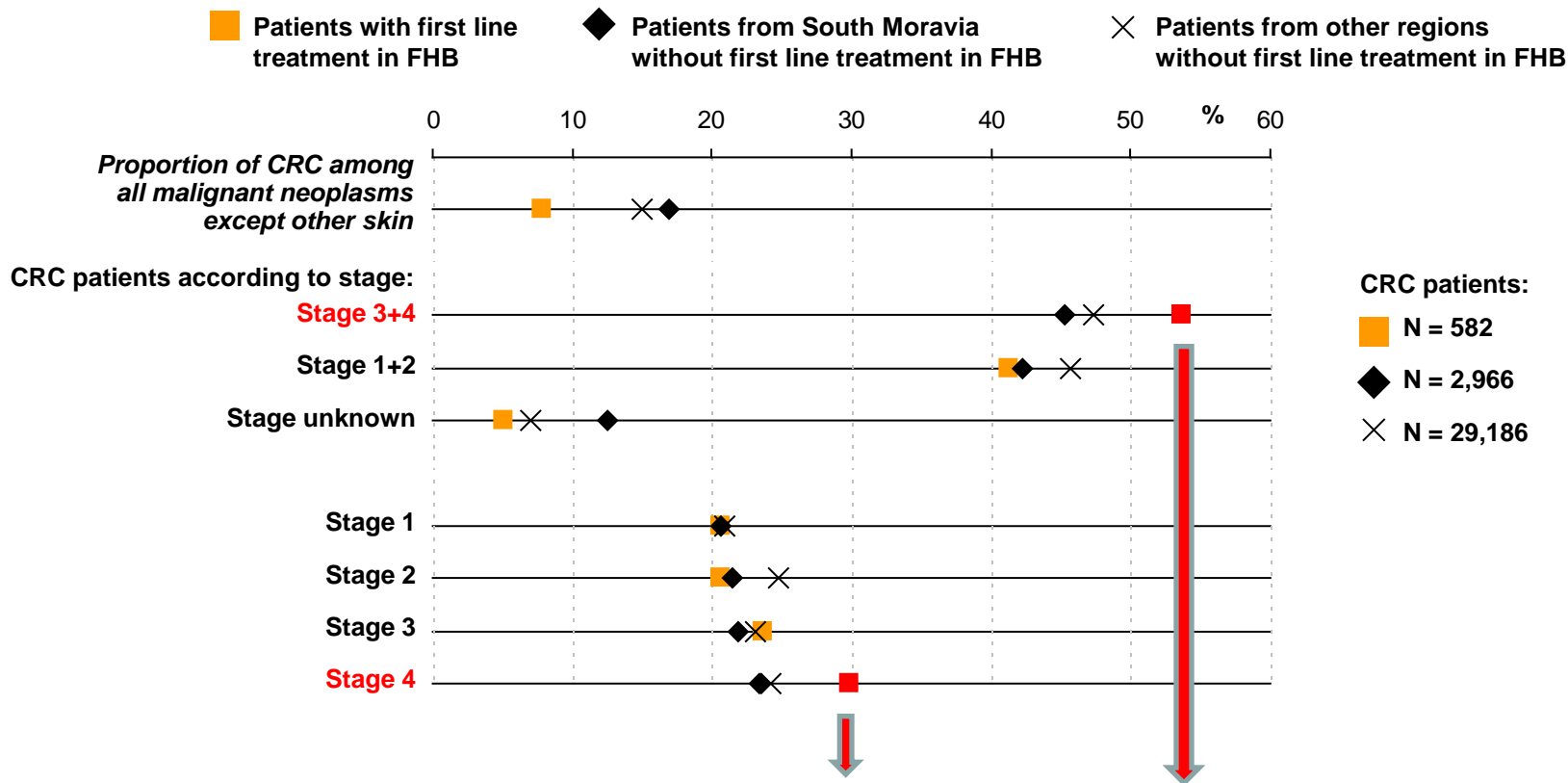
High therapeutic load requires specific managerial and economic conditions to maintain the care effective.

## *Part II.*

# *Problems Associated with Comprehensive Care for CRC in the Czech Republic*

# PROBLEM I. High incidence and prevalence of advanced stages of the disease

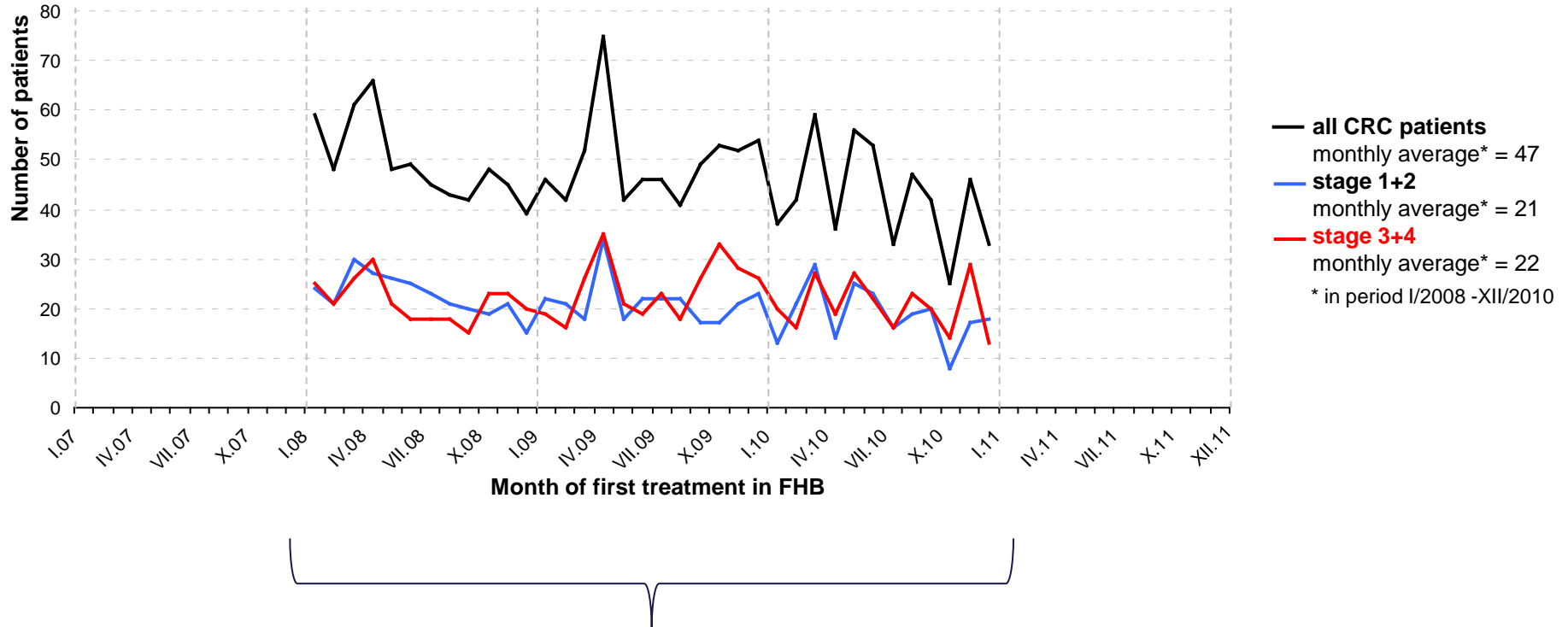
## Case mix of FHB in treated CRC patients: benchmarking against epidemiological (population) data



FHB is overloaded by CRC patients in advanced clinical stage.  
The same problem can be found in nearly all CCCs in the country.

# PROBLEM I. High incidence and prevalence of advanced stages of the disease

## Incidence of patients with CRC in FHB




High incidence of CRC patients coming with advanced disease is long term and stable. Advanced CRC is primarily diagnosed with the same incidence as less advanced stages I+II – this situation is really alarming.



# PROBLEM II. Clinical and geographical migration of patients

## All CRC patients treated in Faculty Hospital Brno\*

 Clinical migration according to first line of treatment	Geographic migration according to place of living		Total
	South Moravia	Other region	
<b>A0:</b> resident patients, all primary therapy in FHB	522 (16.4%)	42 (1.3%)	<b>564 (17.7%)</b>
<b>A1:</b> patients migrating during primary therapy, part of therapy in FHB	395 (12.4%)	116 (3.6%)	<b>511 (16.0%)</b>
<b>A2-AT:</b> anti-tumor therapy in hospital, primary therapy elsewhere	206 (6.5%)	97 (3.0%)	<b>303 (9.5%)</b>
<b>A2-CC:</b> only continuing care in FHB, primary therapy elsewhere	1436 (45.0%)	374 (11.7%)	<b>1810 (56.8%)</b>
<b>Celkem</b>	<b>2559 (80.3%)</b>	<b>629 (19.7%)</b>	<b>3188 (100%)</b>

\* only patients with known place of living

Migration of patients to the CCCs is expectable trend, which however opens new challenges for the management of cancer care:

- nearly **20%** of FHB patients come from the other regions (which have their own CCC !)
- **16%** of CRC patients migrate during the course of their primary therapy !
- further approx. **10%** of CRC patients migrate at the time of relapse of primary disease

## PROBLEM II. Clinical and geographical migration of patients

### CRC patients with stage 3+4 treated in Faculty Hospital Brno\*

Clinical migration according to first line of treatment	Geographic migration according to place of living		Total
	South Moravia	Other region	
<b>A0:</b> resident patients, all primary therapy in FHB	242 (17.2%)	23 (1.6%)	<b>265 (18.8%)</b>
<b>A1:</b> patients migrating during primary therapy, part of therapy in FHB	180 (12.8%)	63 (4.5%)	<b>243 (17.2%)</b>
<b>A2-AT:</b> anti-tumor therapy in hospital, primary therapy elsewhere	117 (8.3%)	48 (3.4%)	<b>165 (11.7%)</b>
<b>A2-CC:</b> only continuing care in hospital, primary therapy elsewhere	561 (39.8%)	177 (12.5%)	<b>738 (52.3%)</b>
<b>Celkem</b>	<b>1100 (78.0%)</b>	<b>311 (22.0%)</b>	<b>1411 (100%)</b>

\* only patients with known place of living

Migration of patients is even more apparent in CRC patients diagnosed with advanced disease. It further increases the load of the CCC in very demanding segment of cancer care.

- 13 CCC in Czech Republic
- Covers the whole Czech region, that prevents migration
- Offers a comprehensive care to CRC's patients

- Female 57 years old
- Family history: negative
- Personal history: hypertension, hemorrhoids, operation – 0
- Present status: spring 2011 – enterorrhagia occasionally  
autumn 2011 – diarrhea

### **Regional Oncological Centre**

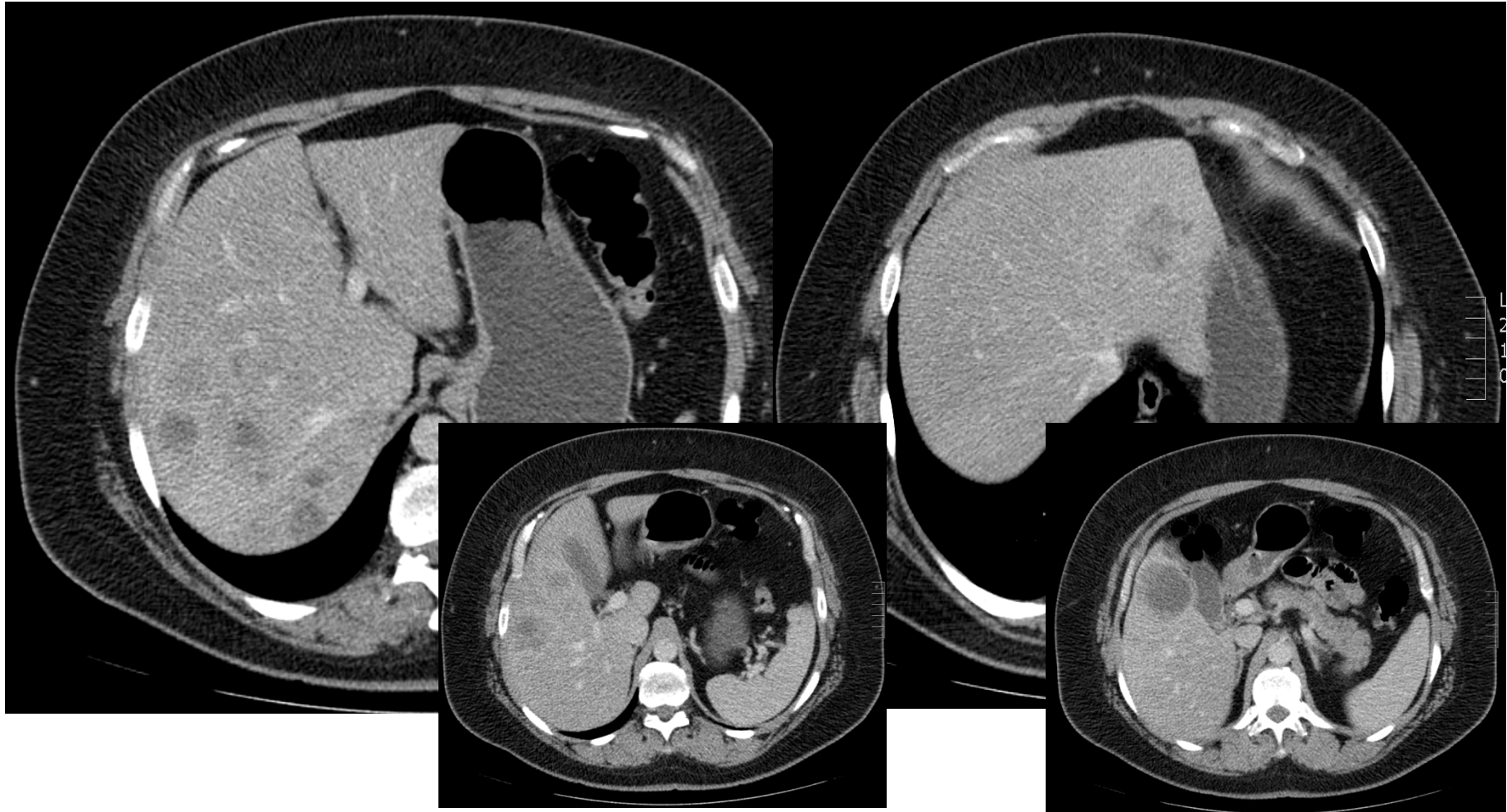
Coloscopy with biopsy: semicircular stenotic tumor in 7cm, extensive, partially necrotic, endoscope passable, polyps in 20-25cm

Histology: adenoCa of rectum, adenomous polyp of sigmoid colon

US of abdomen: multiple bilobar liver metastases, cholecystolithiasis

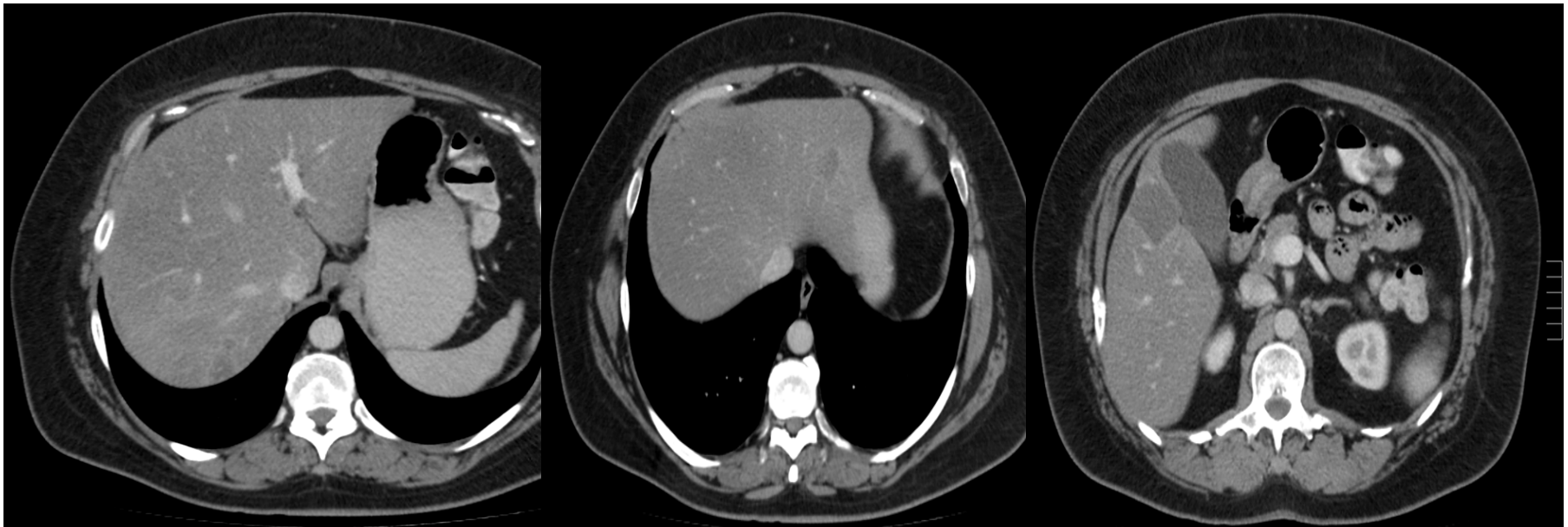
- **Primary indication**:      **paliative chemotherapy**

- First investigation in CCC FN Brno 12/2011



- Tumor markers – CEA 11.63, Ca 19-9 12.8

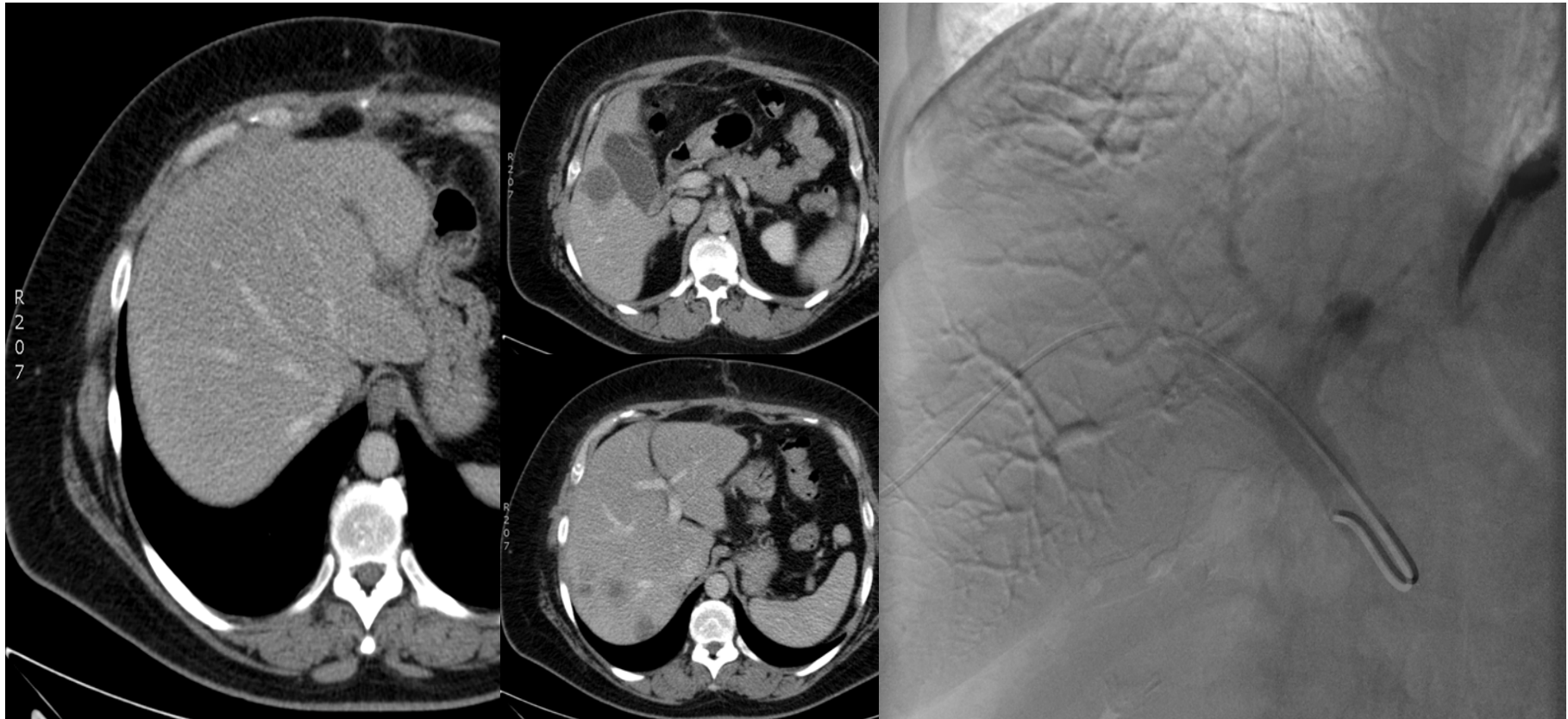
- Xelox + Avastin => 4 cycles, finished 1.3.2012
- Restaging: CEA 5.7, Ca 19-9 in the standard,
- CT – RECIST – PR



- Multidisciplinary team consensus 26.3.2012:
  - 1, LIVER FIRST – staged resection with PVE
  - 2, Resection of primary rectal cancer

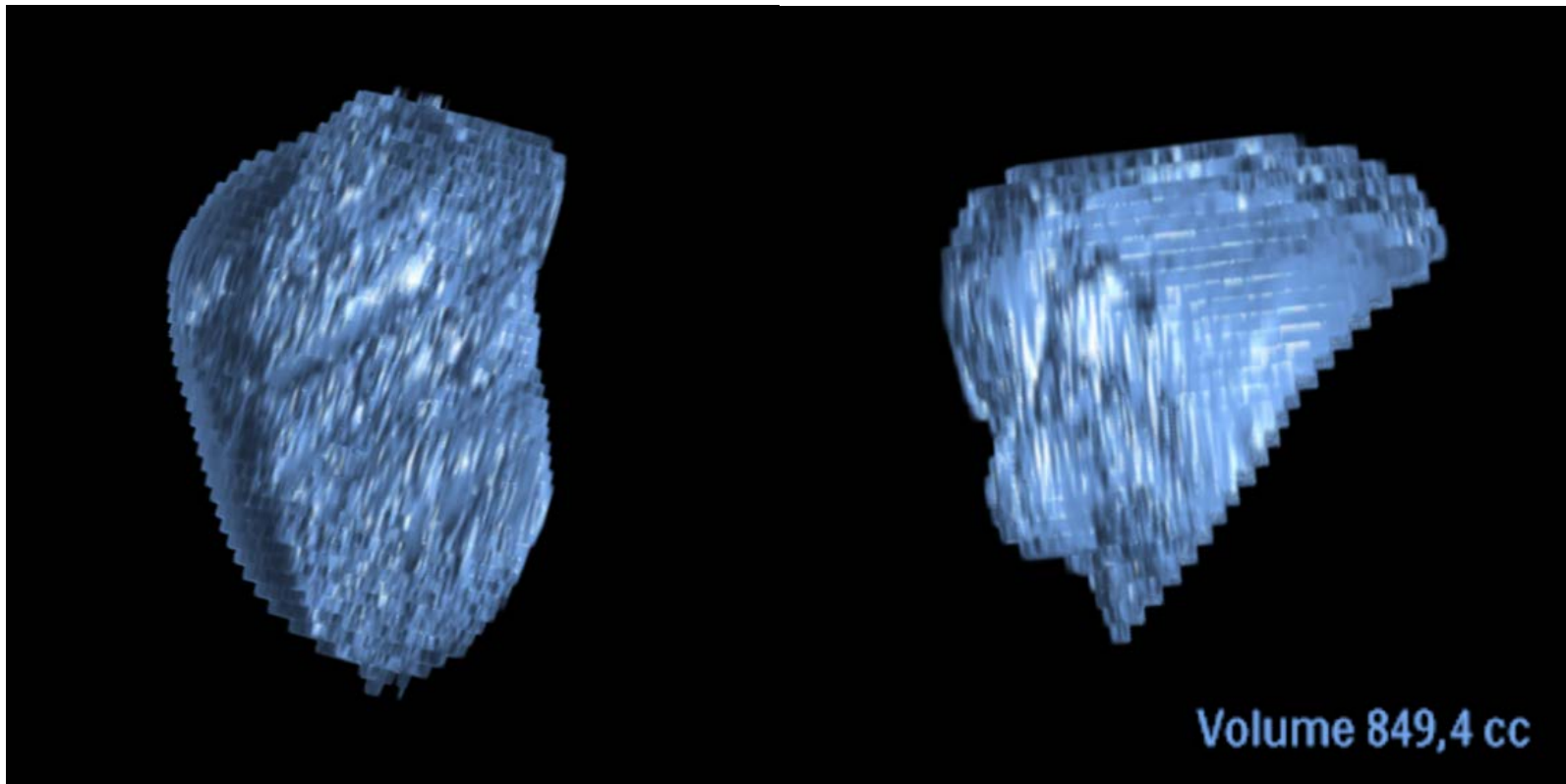
# LIVER FIRST – 1<sup>st</sup> stage

- 19.4.2012 – non-anatomical resection of segm. II/III
- 25.4.2012 – PVE (right portal vein branch)



# Liver volumometry

- 25.5.2012
- Liver volume cca 2096 ml / Left lobe volume cca 850 ml (40%)





- 6.6.2012 – right hepatectomy
- 07/2012 – short course radiotherapy
- 18.7.2012 – LAR, TME, protective loop ileostomy  
Histology: ypT3 ypN1b (3/7)
- 25.7.2012 – early loop ileostomy removal

- Department of Surgery Faculty Hospital Brno  
01/2010 – 12/2011
- **Colorectal surgery** (benign and malignant diseases) – **810**
  - **Overall** (colorectal cancer) – **252**
  - Elective – **206** (81,7%)
  - Acute – **46** (18,3%)
    - ileus **36** (14,3%)
    - perforation **7** (3,0%)
    - bleeding **3** (1,2%)

- **Life-threatening disease** (co-morbidities, performance status, age, nutrition ...)
- **Acute life–saving operation**
  - Increasing of morbidity and mortality (no bowel preparation)
  - Increasing of permanent and temporary o-stomies
    - Re-operations – staged operations (2,3–stages)
- **Higher risk of minor oncological radicality**

## • Morbidity and Mortality

The Clavien – Dindo Classification of Surgical Complications

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- **Mortality – 8** (17,4%) (elective 1%\*)

**Etiology:** generalization – **5x**  
MODS – **2x**  
Pulmonary embolism – **1x**

- **Morbidity – 23** (50%) (elective 10-40%\*)

**Surgical complications – 13x**

SSI – **11x**  
Colon perforation – **1x**  
Anastomosis dehiscence – **1x**

**Non-surgical complications – 10x**

Bronchopneumonia – **2x**  
ARDS – **2x**  
Urinary infection – **3x**  
Myocardial infarction – **1x**  
Hypertension – **2x**

\*Gallina S, Proposito D, Veltri S, Montemurro LA, Negro P, Carboni M. Colorectal cancer surgery. Analysis of risk factors in relation to incidence of morbidity and mortality. Chir Ital. 2006 Nov-Dec;58(6):723-32

## ***Part III.***

### ***Conclusions:***

- 1. What is wrong in comprehensive care for CRC?***
  - 2. What should be changed?***
- 3. What are the health care outcomes in current situation?***

## CONCLUSIONS

High and increasing cancer burden of comprehensive cancer centers should be supported with optimized economic plan – which is not true nowadays.

There is lack of collaboration among high volume and the other centers which increases proportion of migrating patients, searching for the care.

High incidence of advanced CRC disease is alarming and nearly unsustainable – effective support of early detection programmes is necessary.





BUT anyway, we can reach and maintain promising outcomes in survival of our patients ....although we cannot save lives when the CRC diagnosis is too late

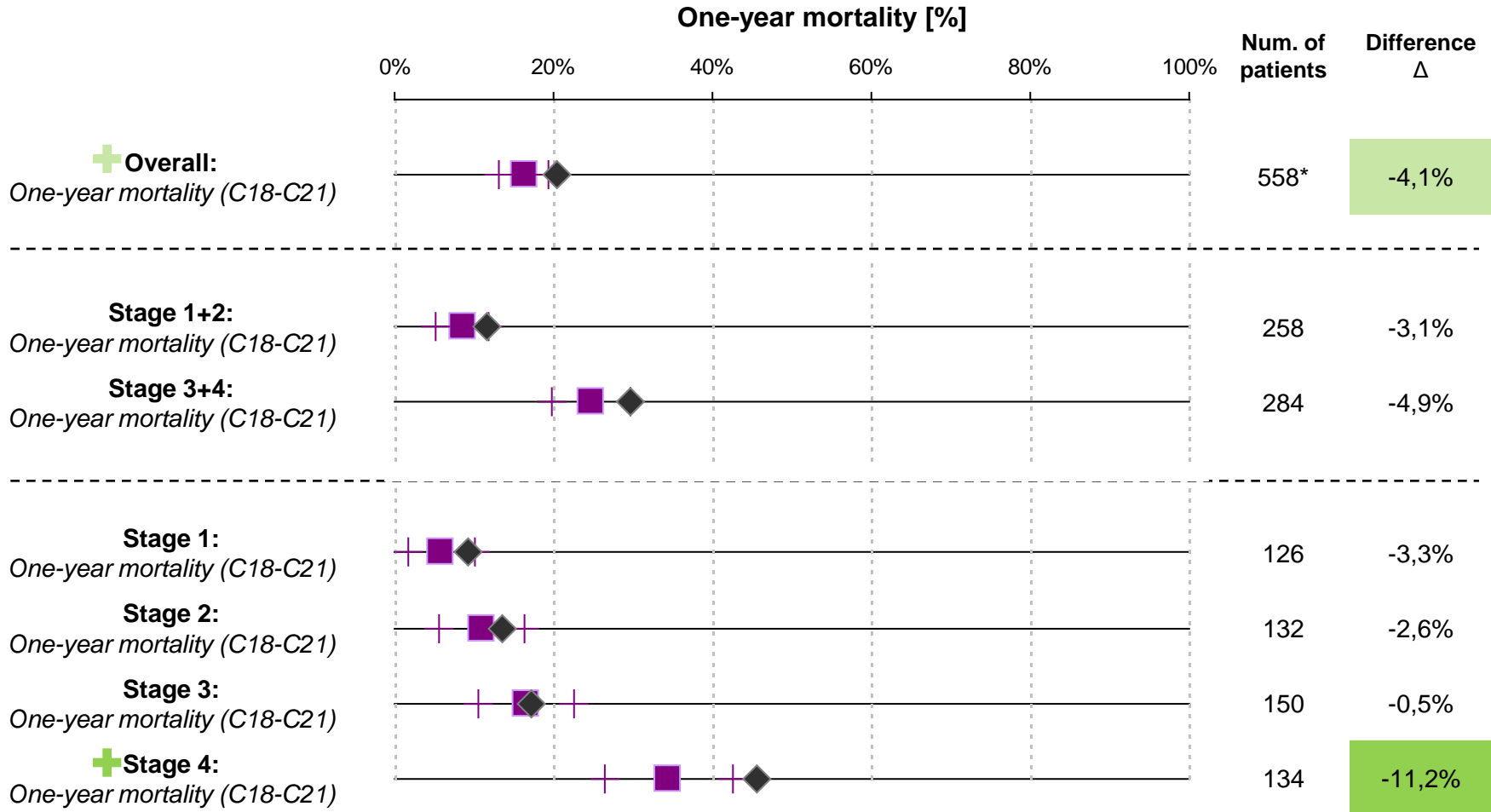


# One-year mortality of CRC patients treated in Faculty Hospital Brno: comparison with the whole Czech Republic (cohort 2005-2009)

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 Faculty Hospital Brno (95% CI)  
 Czech Republic

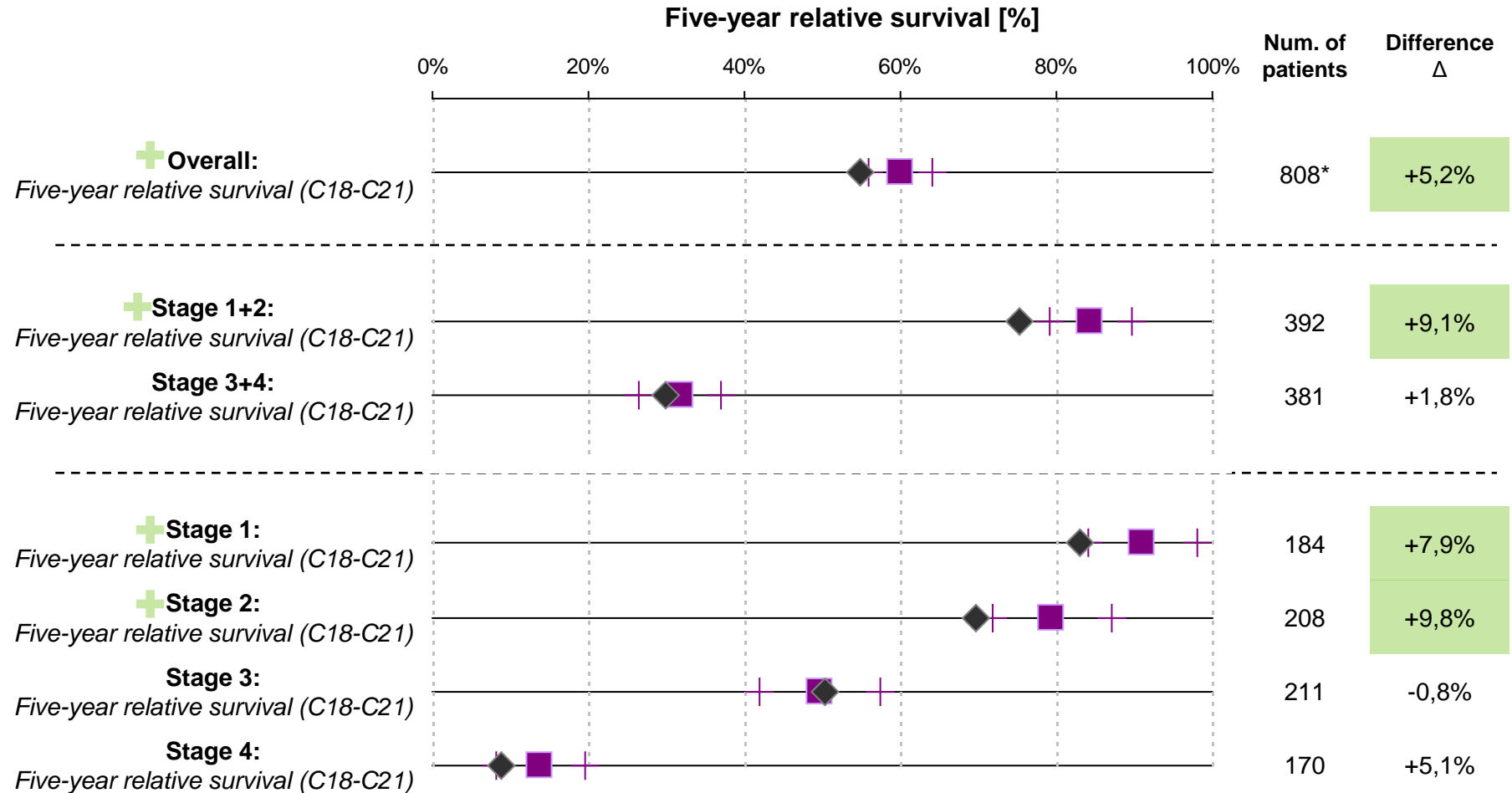
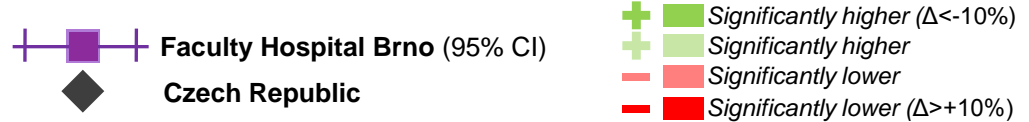
 Significantly lower ( $\Delta < -10\%$ )  
 Significantly lower  
 Significantly higher  
 Significantly higher ( $\Delta > +10\%$ )



\*Including 16 patients with unknown stage.

# Five-year relative survival of CRC patients treated in Faculty Hospital Brno: comparison with the whole Czech Republic (period analysis 2005-2009)

„Age & stage“ adjusted and age adjusted estimations are given for overall relative survival and stage-specific relative survival, respectively.



\*Including 35 patients with unknown stage.



Thank you for your attention