

中文題目：肺癌小於 2 公分的實質性變化對於疾病預後的影響

英文題目：Characteristics of solid parts on the prognosis of lung cancer less than 2 cm in size

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Background: Lung cancer patients can have advanced-stages at diagnosis, even the tumor size is <2 cm. We aimed to study the relationship between image characteristics, clinical, and histopathological results.

Method: We used Taiwan Cancer Registry (TCR) database from 2009 to 2013 for initial survey. For detailed analysis, we retrospectively enrolled lung cancer patients with primary tumor size <2 cm for lymph node (LN) and distant metastasis evaluation, with clinicopathological characteristics, including solid part ratio (SPR) (tumor diameter at the mediastinal/lung window) over chest computed tomography scans, pathological diagnosis, disease-free survival (DFS), and overall survival (OS).

Results

53,982 patients from TCR were surveyed and 3,148 had tumor size <2 cm; 18.0% had LN involvement, and 16.4% had metastasis. For detailed analysis, 307 patients were enrolled. Clinical LN involvement and distant metastasis increased significantly when SPR \geq 50% compared with <50% (23.7% vs 0% for LN involvement; 29.0% vs 0% for distant metastasis; both $p < 0.001$). For 247 surgical treatment patients, SPR \geq 50% revealed more advanced pathological stage, and more tumors containing micropapillary or solid subtypes when diagnosed adenocarcinoma. With SPR \geq 50%, significantly worse DFS (HR, 16.47; 95% CI, 2.14–126.77; $p = 0.007$) and a trend of worse OS (HR, 6.40; 95% CI, 0.78–52.23; $p = 0.083$) were noted in multivariate survival analysis.

Conclusion

For lung cancer patients with primary tumor <2 cm, SPR \geq 50% was related to more advanced stages, the presence of micropapillary or solid components of adenocarcinoma subtypes, worse DFS, and a trend of worse OS.