

SPYCRA PROTECT ®

Study project

**Evaluation of Spycra Protect® for
the prevention of radiodermatitis
(RD)**

Study Design

Background

Acute radiodermatitis (ARD) :

- Skin reactions occurring as a consequence of ionizing radiation
- Affects up to 95% of the patients undergoing external beam radiotherapy (RT)
- Compromises patients' quality of life (painful and distressing)
- Might jeopardize treatment outcomes when evolving towards more severe forms (leading to treatment interruption/ discontinuation)

Objective

To assess the efficacy, practicability, and cost-effectiveness of Spycra Protect® in preventing RD in breast cancer patients

Population

Eligibility Assessment for all women scheduled for radiotherapy simulation for breast tumor at Jessa Ziekenhuis

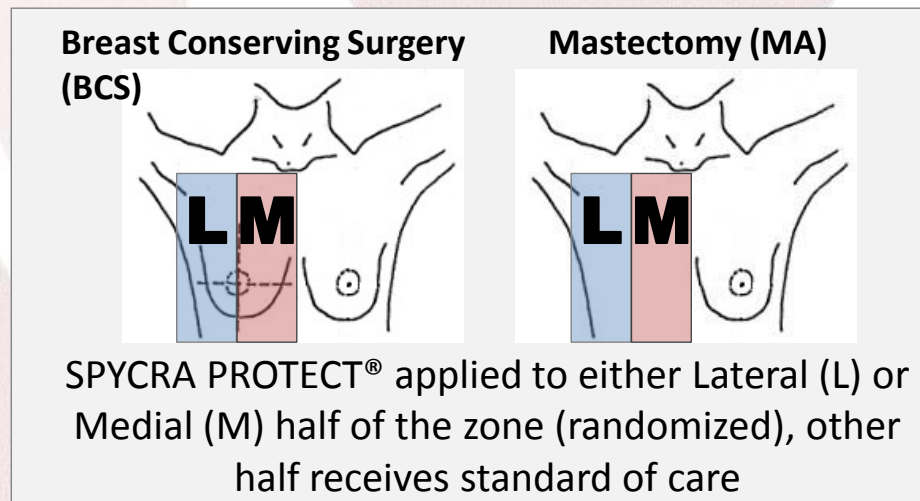
Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Post-surgery (lumpectomy OR mastectomy)✓ Scheduled for hypofractionated radiotherapy (resp. 16*2.5Gy + 5*2.5Gy OR 16*2.5Gy) at Jessa✓ Medium to large breast size^a✓ Be able to fill out questionnaire autonomously✓ Signed informed consent	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Metastatic disease✓ Concurrent chemotherapy✓ Previous irradiation to the same breast✓ Brachy therapy✓ Infection of the to-be-irradiated zone✓ Bolus

^a Since breast size is a critical risk factor for RD, only medium-to-large-breasted women will be included in the study.

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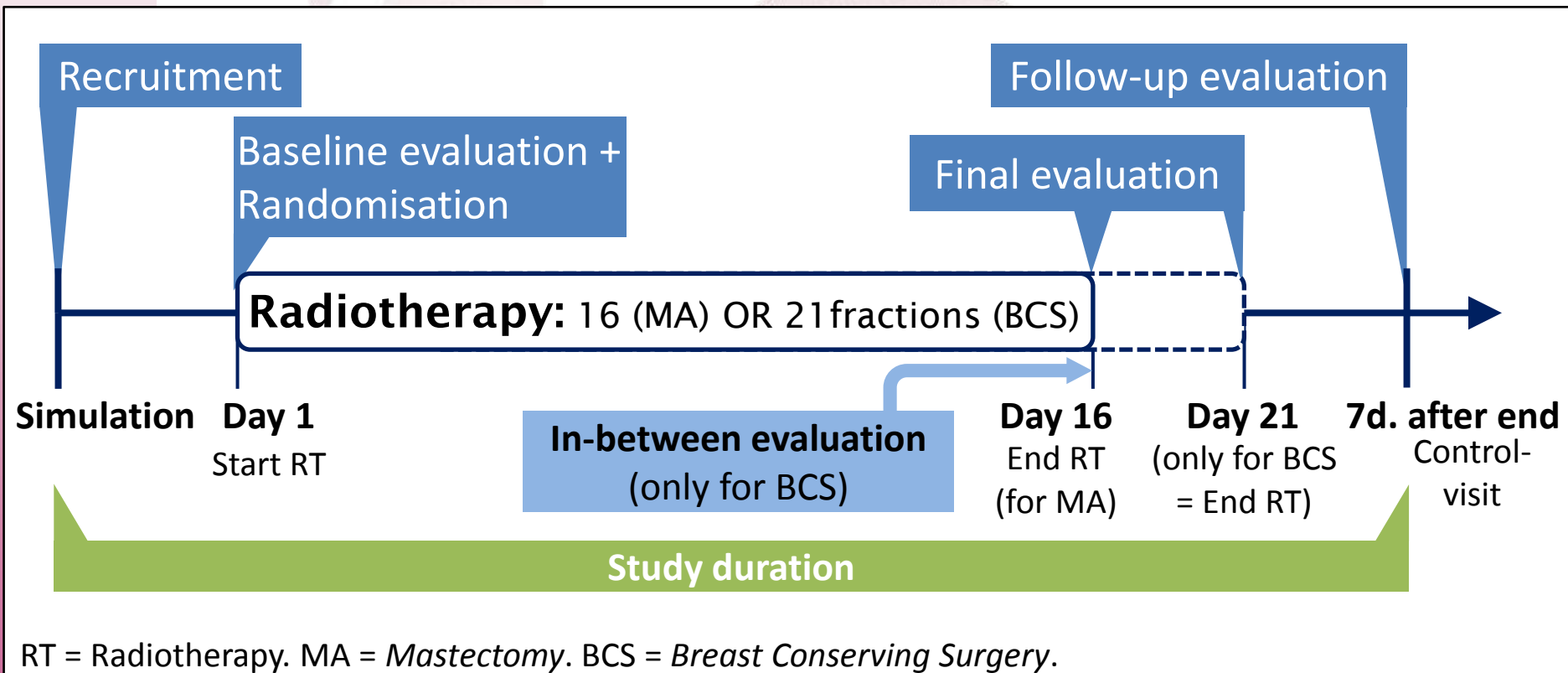
➤ Randomized intra-patient controlled study:

For each patient: the to-be-irradiated zone (breast or chest wall) will be divided into two symmetrical halves (medial and lateral halves) for randomization to either standard skin care or Spycra Protect®.



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➤ Procedure:



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➤ Randomization:

- ✓ Based on pre-prepared, computer-generated scheme (using permuted block randomisation)
- ✓ Conducted by the co-PI who has no patient involvement at all
- ✓ Stratified by surgery type (mastectomy vs lumpectomy) and, within lumpectomy, by breast size (medium and large size, as defined by the RTOG 97-13 trial¹ criteria)

NB: Blinding of treatment allocation (= allocation concealment) will be ensured

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➤ Sample size:

- ✓ No previous study with Spycra protect
- ✓ Study using silicone dressing² considered a 28% decrease as clinically significant
- ✓ Power analysis³: Sample size of 61 would detect a 30% decrease with 80% power (with alpha-level of 0.05).

=> In order to account for attrition, we intend to
recruit 80 participants

² Paterson et al. J Cancer Sci Ther 2012;4:347-356. ³ Based on an online a priori sample size calculator, with % of moist desquamation in previous study as standard: <https://www.dssresearch.com/KnowledgeCenter/toolkitcalculators/samplesizecalculators.aspx>

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➤ Timepoints:

- ✓ T0: Fraction 1 of RT (baseline at start RT)
- ✓ T1: Fraction 16 (only for patients having had breast-conserving surgery)
- ✓ T2: End of RT: Fraction 16 for mastectomy or fraction 21 for breast-conserving surgery
- ✓ T3: 1 week (7d) follow-up

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➤ Endpoints:

1. **ARD severity (RTOG grades)**

- ✓ Objective: by RT-nurses & by independent, blinded raters (based on photos, 0-10 Numerical Rating Scales)
- ✓ Subjective: by patients (0-10 Numerical Rating Scales)

2. **Product evaluation:**

- ✓ By nurses (easiness of use, cost-effectiveness, satisfaction)
- ✓ By patients (pleasantness, soothing effect, global satisfaction)

Examples

Example of Spycra Protect® applied on the lateral side of the breast



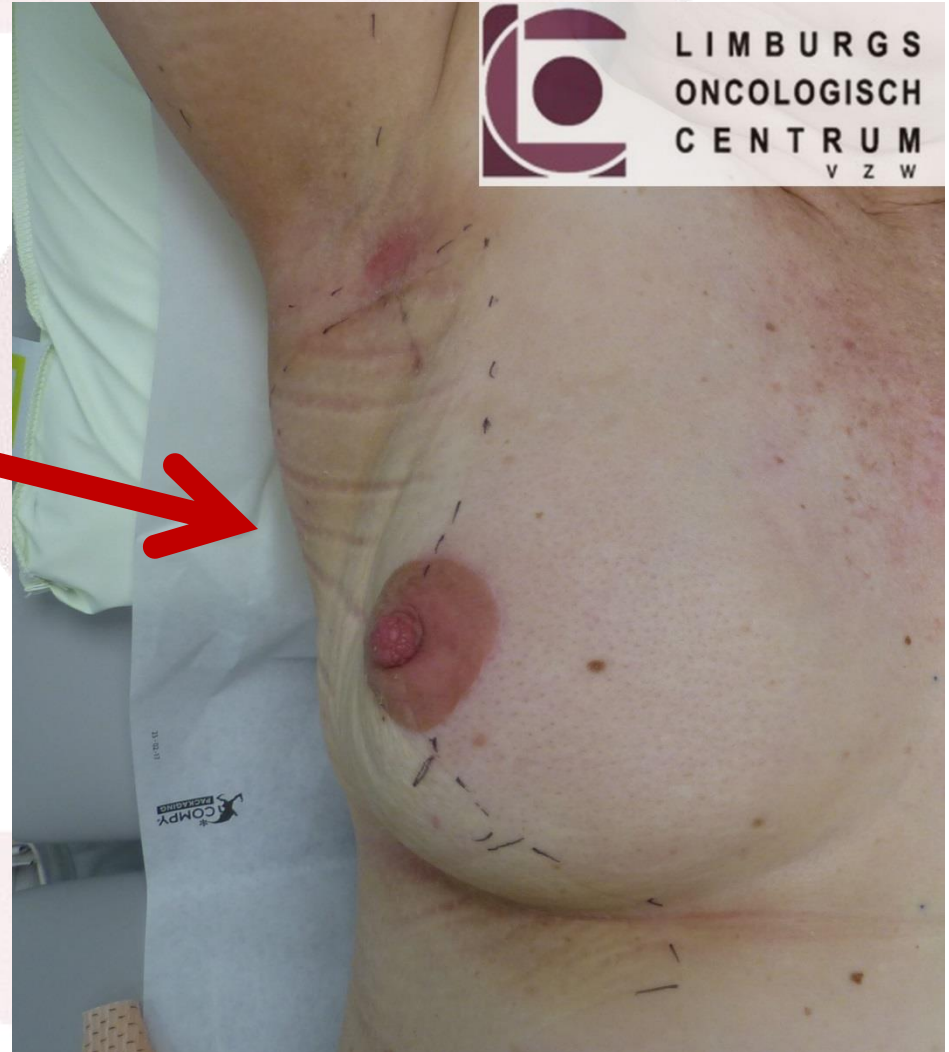
Example

Example of Spycra Protect ® applied on the lateral side of the chest wall



Example

End of
radiotherapy, lateral
half received
SPYCRA
PROTECT®
(clearly reduced
erythema)



Example

Patient received SPYCRA PROTECT® preventively from the start of RT. At the end of RT:

