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Historical background

- **Contessa was developed out of the cervical cancer brainstorming day (Melbourne 10/2014)**
- **Proposal was put on hold 6/2016 (funding issues)**
- **Proposal reactivated 10/2017 (PMH Consortium)**
- **Recent opportunity to join forces with NEOCON protocol (Netherlands)**

Background

➤ **Upfront radical trachelectomy :**

“standard of care” for the management of early-stage cervical in women who wish to preserve fertility (**NCCN guideline 2017**)

▫ Validated for lesions **< 2 cm**

➤ **Limited data** in the literature regarding the optimal management of women with larger size lesions (**2-4 cm**) who wish to **preserve fertility**

Background

∞ NACT followed by FPS

- NACT been shown to be effective in reducing the size of cervical cancer (70%)
- High rates of fertility preservation (80%)
- Limited data in the literature (few series / small #); no standardized approach

Specific Hypothesis

∞ Neoadjuvant chemotherapy (**NACT**) in **node-negative** women with stage IB1 (**2-4 cm**) cervical cancer will enable fertility preserving surgery without compromising oncologic outcome in good chemo-responders

Primary Objective #1

➤ To evaluate the **safety (PFS)** of NACT in women with **node negative**, stage IB1 cervical cancer with lesions measuring **2-4 cm**

Primary Objective #2

∞ To evaluate the **rate of fertility preserving surgery (FPS)** following **neoadjuvant chemotherapy (NACT)**

Secondary Objectives

- ✧ **Chemotherapy related adverse events / safety**
- ✧ **Surgical complication rate of FPS**
- ✧ **Requirement for adjuvant radiation therapy (trimodality treatment)**
- ✧ **Requirement for definitive hysterectomy**
- ✧ **Quality of Life**
- ✧ **Ovarian function, rates of pregnancy and obstetrical outcomes**

Inclusion criteria

∞ Invasive cervical cancer

□ adenocarcinoma, adenosquamous or squamous

∞ LVSII allowed

∞ Grade 1, 2 and 3

∞ Stage IB1 measuring 2-4 cm (clinical exam and MRI)

∞ Age \leq 40

∞ No evidence of Premature Ovarian Failure

∞ Desire to preserve fertility potential

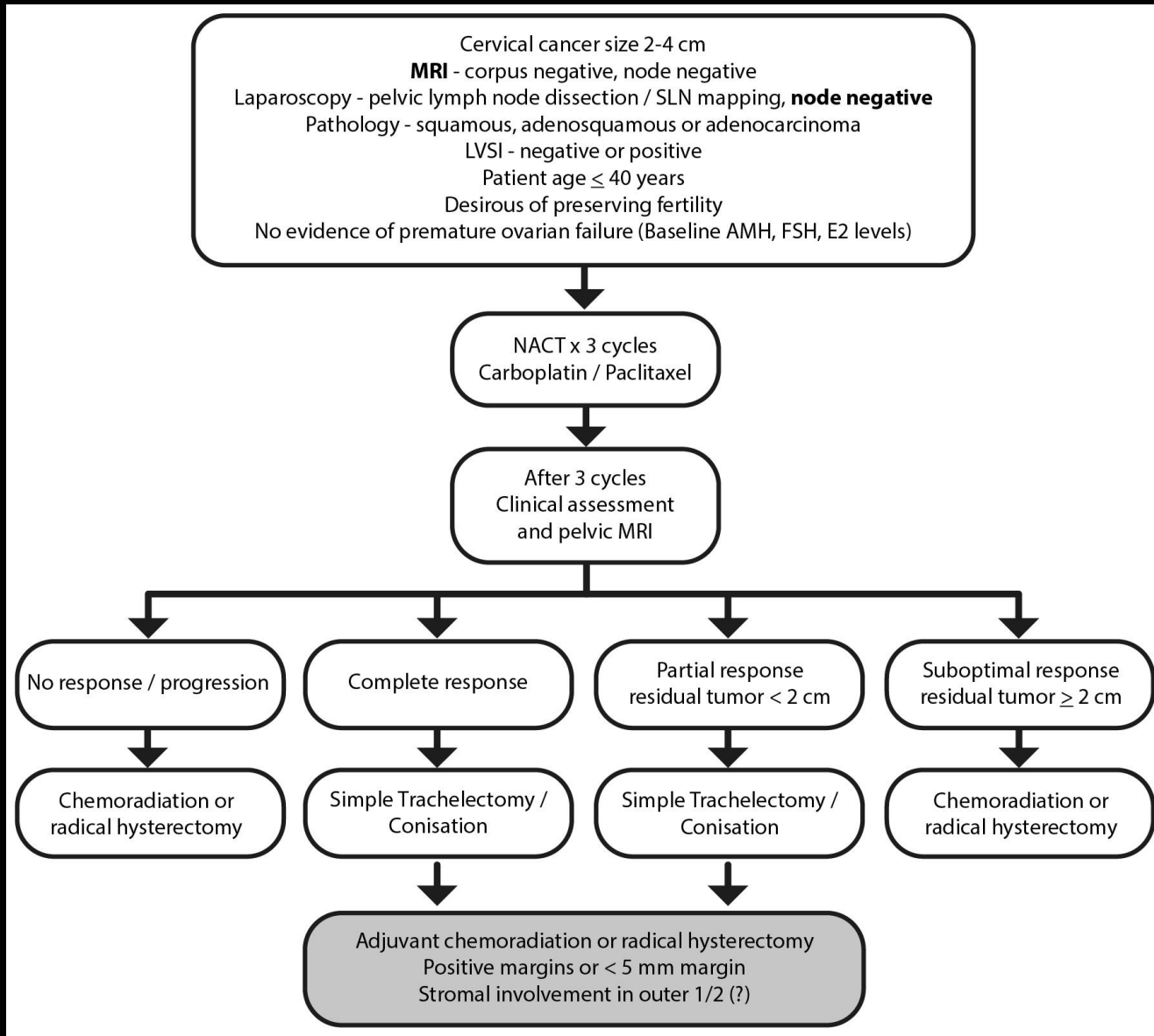
Exclusion criteria

❧ Uterine corpus invasion or extracervical disease (based on MRI)

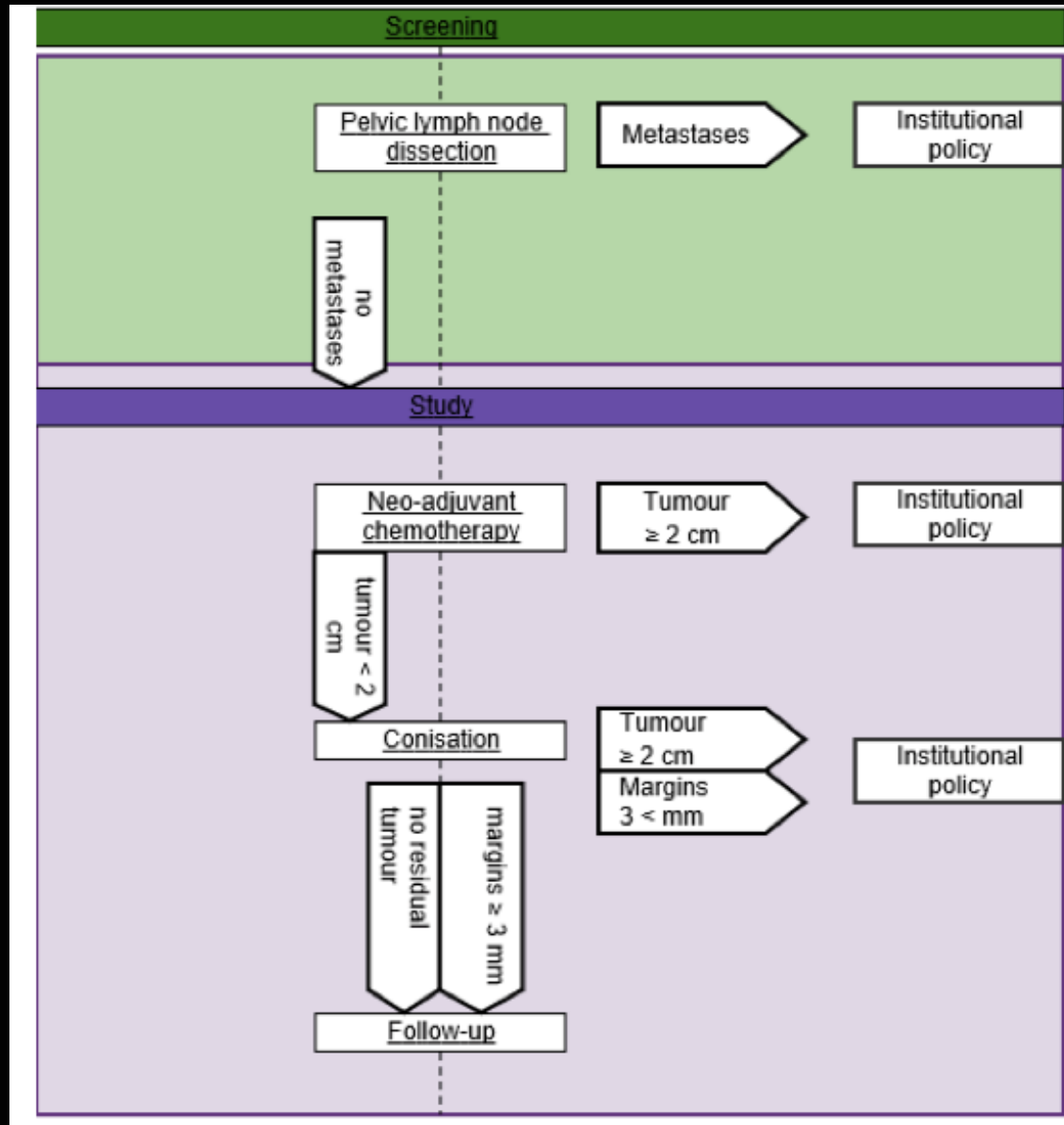
❧ Lymph node metastasis

- Pre-study laparoscopy to exclude LN mets
 - sentinel lymph node mapping
 - pelvic lymphadenectomy

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Trial design

∞ Screening phase: Laparoscopy

∞ SLN mapping + pelvic LND

∞ Await final pathology analysis

∞ Study phase (If LN-): NACT x 3 cycles

▣ Weekly Taxol 80 mg/m² & Carbo AUC2

▣ Q3 weeks Taxol 175 mg/m² & Carbo AUC6

∞ Pelvic MRI and clinical exam

▣ If residual tumor < 2 cm

∞ Fertility Preserving Surgery (FPS)

▣ Large cone / simple trachelectomy

Primary endpoints

- ↪ Recurrence rate/PFS at **2 years** (#1)
- ↪ Intact **functional uterus** following NACT and FPS (#2)

Secondary endpoints

- ✧ Response rate to NACT
- ✧ Adverse events and safety
- ✧ Surgical complication rate
- ✧ Rates of definitive hysterectomy
- ✧ Requirement for adjuvant radiation therapy (trimodality treatment)
- ✧ QOL: EORTC QLQ C30 and QLQ CX 24
- ✧ Disease Outcomes: PFS at 2 years
- ✧ Ovarian function (FSH, estradiol, AMH)
- ✧ Pregnancy rates and obstetrical outcomes

Statistical analysis

➤ Phase II study

➤ Prospective, multi-center, international trial

Statistics : **PRELIMINARY**

∞ **N=119** patients

∞ Expected response rate to NACT: **75%**

- ▣ **90** patients should proceed to FPS

∞ First phase of accrual: **40** patients

- ▣ At least **27** must have responded

∞ Second phase of accrual: **79** patients

- ▣ At least **83** must have responded

Statistics : **PRELIMINARY**

- **Safety**: defined as number of **recurrences within two years** in the group receiving FPS (7% recurrence rate expected)
- Patients will be monitored continuously in a Bayesian manner and **stopping rules** will apply when the percentage of recurrences exceeds 12% at two years

Translational research

∞ Assessment of **tumor response**

- Circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) (PMH)
- Hypermethylated DNA (Netherlands)

Funding

↪ PMH Consortium

- ▣ Per case funding for Canadian patients
- ▣ Data collection and data monitoring

↪ Netherlands (CGOA/NCI)

- ▣ Per case funding for Dutch patients
- ▣ Data collection and data monitoring

↪ Other groups

- ▣ Will have to secure own funding

Summary

- ✧ Feasible study
- ✧ Count on international collaboration
- ✧ Will provide solid data as to the safety of this approach and standardize the procedure
- ✧ In the process of finalizing the “merging” of the 2 protocols