

# CERVANTES (CERVical cancer AdjuvaNt Treatment Study)

**An international randomized trial of radical surgery followed by adjuvant therapy versus no further treatment in patients with early-stage, intermediate-risk cervical cancer**

ENGOT-cx16/CEEGOG/CERVANTES; CEEGOG CX-05

ENGOT model:	A	Planned no. of patients:	514
Sponsor:	CEEGOG	Status:	initiated/ recruiting

Trial chair: David Cibula

# Intermediate-risk (IR) group

## Early-stage cervical cancer patients

### Negative pelvic lymph nodes

TUMOUR >4 CM<sup>1</sup>

TUMOUR 2-4 CM

+  
Lymphovascular space  
invasion (LVSI)<sup>1</sup>

TUMOUR 2-4 CM

+  
Deep stromal invasion  
>2/3 (DSI)<sup>1</sup>

TUMOUR 2-4 CM

+  
Tumour-free distance  
<3 mm (TFD)<sup>2,3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Sedlis et al. 1999. doi: 10.1006/gyno.1999.5387; <sup>2</sup>Cibula et al. 2021. doi: 10.1038/s41416-020-01204-w; <sup>3</sup>Bizzarri et al. 2021. doi:10.1038/s41416-021-01384-z

# Rationale

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- Management of intermediate risk (IR) cervical cancer patients is not harmonized and both types of treatment are currently used as a standard of care:
  - i. Radical surgery alone
  - ii. Radical surgery followed by adjuvant (chemo)radiation
- Criteria for definition of IR group vary (variations of GOG criteria).<sup>1</sup>
- Besides excellent outcome of radical surgical treatment,<sup>2</sup> the increasing proportion of patients with early-stage disease:
  - i. has been referred to primary chemoradiation, OR
  - ii. has been receiving combination treatment associated with higher treatment morbidity.
- Available evidence for combination treatment benefit is based on a single prospective randomized study which was conducted more than 20 years ago.<sup>1</sup>
- Recently, number of retrospective studies showed in IR group an excellent local control after radical surgery without adjuvant treatment.<sup>3,4</sup>
- More precise pre-operative clinical staging, improved standards of pathologic assessment, and SLN pathological ultrastaging currently contribute to the exclusion of cases with high-risk features and much better selection of IR group than at the time of GOG trial.

<sup>1</sup>Sedlis et al. 1999. doi: 10.1006/gyno.1999.5387; <sup>2</sup>Ramirez PT et al. 2018. doi: 10.1056/NEJMoa1806395; <sup>3</sup>Cibula et al. 2018. doi:10.1016/j.ygyno.2018.10.018; <sup>4</sup>van der Velden 2019. doi: 10.1136/ijgc-2019-000445

# Main objective

- The purpose of the trial is to evaluate if adjuvant treatment is associated with disease free survival benefit after radical surgery in patients with intermediate-risk cervical cancer.
- The key secondary objective is to compare the overall survival benefit between trial arms.

## Primary endpoint

- **Disease-free survival (DFS)**

*Calculated as an interval from the day of randomization until diagnosis of recurrence.*

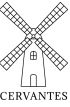
## Key secondary endpoint

- **Overall survival (OS)**

## Other secondary endpoints

- Pelvic disease-free survival
- Health-related quality of life (HR-QoL)
- Treatment-related adverse events

# Trial design



## Patient enrolment after surgery

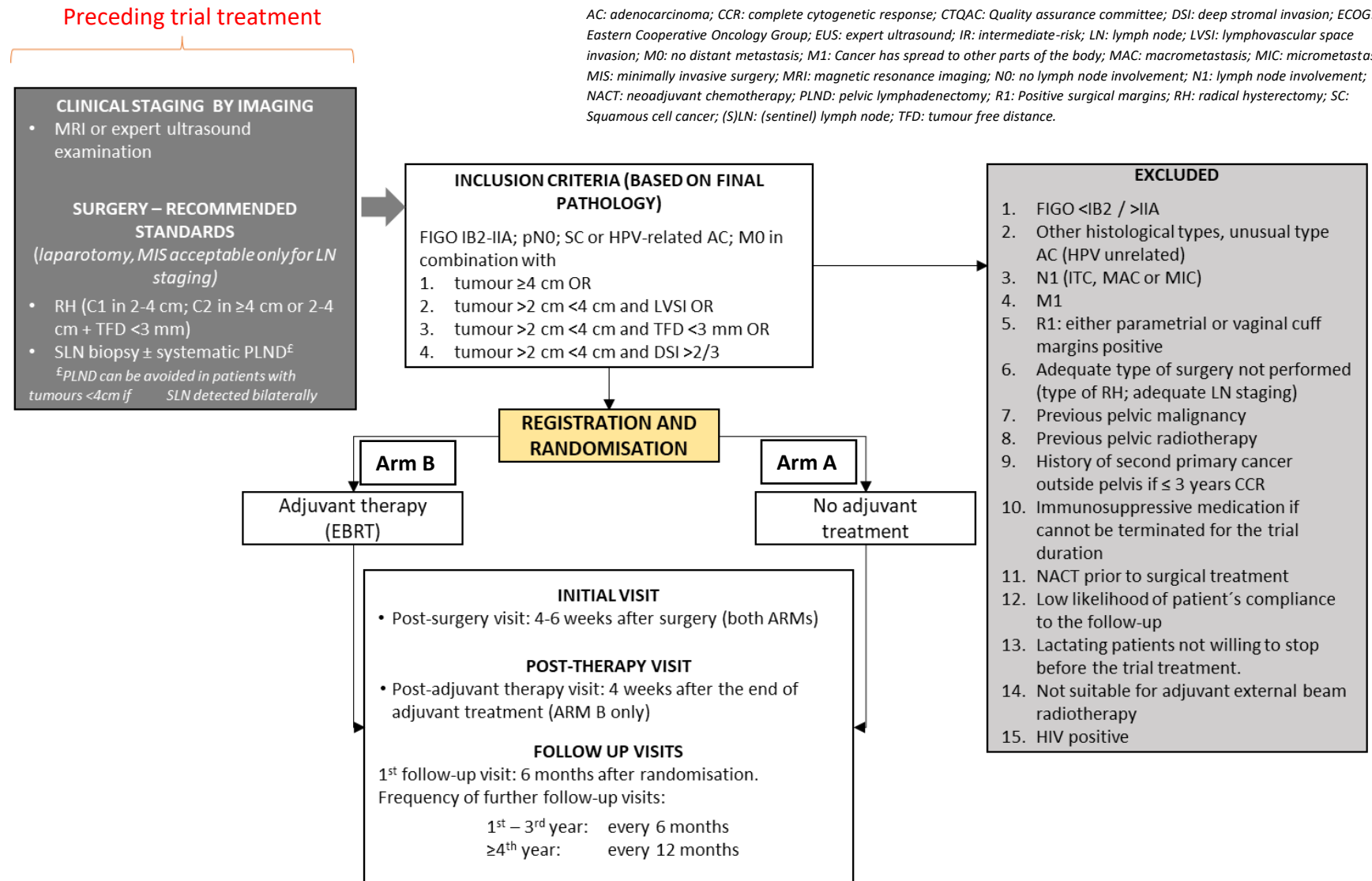
Once all the inclusion criteria are confirmed from the pathological assessment

## Minimum standard for adjuvant therapy

Mandatory minimal and the internationally recognized standard for adjuvant therapy was set to

## pelvic external beam radiotherapy (EBRT)

Adjuvant therapy could be modified according to the institutional or regulatory guidelines only if the minimal requirement is fulfilled consistently on the protocol.



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Further groups/sites welcome to join the trial

