

Anal Cancer





Before Guidelines



- Elder (individual consideration)
- For squamous cell carcinoma
- This panel is for medical fitted patients, adjustment might be considered for medical unfitted patients or for individual considerations under clinical practices.
- Although the guidelines are believed to represent the optimal treatment strategy, the panel believes that, when appropriate, patients should preferentially be included in a clinical trial over standard or accepted therapy.



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AJCC VII





Flowchart





Initial Workup



- Present illness
- Physical examination, Personal and family history
- CBC, chemistry profile SCC, Cyfra21-1, aPTT/PT
- Abdominal/Chest CT ± MRI
- Rectal untrasound
- Anoscopy/Colonoscopy
- Inguinal LN evaluation
 - $extsf{b}$ ± FNA and/or excisional biopsy of the inguinal LNs
- ±PET scan for T3-4,N0 or anyT, N+
- Education of vaccine treatment
- Education of HIV and STD studies/GYN consultation





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American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) TNM Staging Classification for Anal Carcinoma (8th ed., 2017) *Table 1.* Definitions for T, N, M

T Primary Tumor

- TX Primary tumor not assessed
- T0 No evidence of primary tumor
- Tis High-grade squamous intraepithelial lesion (previously termed carcinoma in situ, Bowen disease, anal intraepithelial neoplasia II–III, high-grade anal intraepithelial neoplasia)
- T1 Tumor 2 cm or less
- T2 Tumor more than 2 cm but not more than 5 cm
- T3 Tumor more than 5 cm
- T4 Tumor of any size invades adjacent organ(s), such as the vagina, urethra, bladder

N Regional Lymph Nodes

- NX Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed
- N0 No regional lymph node metastasis
- N1 Metastasis in inguinal, mesorectal, internal iliac, or external iliac nodes
- N1a Metastasis in inguinal, mesorectal, or internal iliac lymph nodes
- N1b Metastasis in external iliac lymph nodes
- N1c Metastasis in external iliac with any N1a nodes

M Distant Metastasis

- M0 No distant metastasis
- M1 Distant metastasis

Table 2. AJCC Anatomic Stage/Prognostic Groups

	т	Ν	М
Stage 0	Tis	N0	M0
Stage I	T1	N0	M0
Stage IIA	T2	N0	M0
Stage IIB	Т3	N0	M0
Stage IIIA	T1-T2	N1	M0
Stage IIIB	T4	N0	M0
Stage IIIC	T3-T4	N1	M0
Stage IV	Any T	Any N	M1



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*Every 3-6 mo for 5 y {DRE, Anoscopy, Inguinal node palpation}; T3-T4 or inguinal node positive{ chest/abd/pelvic imaging annually for 3 y}

Principles of Surgery



- Local excision
 - Superficially Invasive Squamous Cell Carcinoma(SISCCA)
 - SISCCA are anal cancers that are generally found incidentally in the setting of a biopsy or excision of what is thought to be a benign lesion such as a condyloma, hemorrhoid, or anal skin tag.
 - For such lesions that are noted to have histologically negative margins in carefully selected patients followed by an experienced provider and/or team, local excision alone with a structured surveillance plan may represent adequate treatment
 - Perianal Cancer
 - T1N0, moderately to well-differentiated or select T2N0 squamous cell carcinoma of the perianal region may be adequately treated by local excision with 1-cm margins
- Radical Surgery
 - Local Recurrence/Persistence
 - APR
 - Inguinal Recurrence
 - inguinal node dissection



Principles of Radiation Therapy





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- Multifield techniques with supervoltage radiation (photon energy of > 6 mV) should be used to deliver a minimum dose of 45 Gy in 1.8 Gyfractions (25 fractions over 5 weeks) to the primary cancer
- The inguinal nodes and the pelvis, anus, and perineum should be included in the initial radiation fields. The superior field border should be at L5-S1, and the inferior border should include the anus with a minimum 2.5 cm-margin around the anus and tumor. The lateral border should include the lateral inguinal nodes (as determined from imaging or bony landmarks). There should be attempts to reduce the dose to the femoral heads.
- After 17 fractions (30.6 Gy), an additional 14.4 Gy should be given in 8 fractions with the superior field reduced to the bottom of the sacroiliac joints. Additional field reduction off inguinal nodes should occur after 36 Gy for node-negative lesions. This protocol brings the total dose to 45 Gy in 25 fractions over 5 weeks.





- For T2 lesions with residual disease after 45 Gy, T3/4 lesions, or N1 lesions, an additional boost of 9-14 Gy in 1.8-2 Gy fractions to the original primary tumor volume and involved nodes plus a 2-2.5 cm margin is usually delivered. This boost brings the total dose to 54-59 Gy in 30-32 fractions over 6-7.5 weeks. Simultaneous integral boost may be used to give the same total dose in 25 fractions.
- The consensus of the panel is that IMRT is preferred over 3-D conformal RT in the treatment of anal carcinoma. IMRT requires expertise and careful target design to avoid reduction in local control by so-called "marginal-miss." The clinical target volumes for anal cancer used in the RTOG-0529 trial have been described in detail. Also see for more details of the contouring atlas defined by RTOG.
- Image-guided RT (IGRT) with cone beam CT imaging should be used during IMRT.



Chemotherapy



PRINCIPLES OF SYSTEMIC THERAPY

Localized Cancer		Metastatic Cancer		Subsequent Therapy	
Preferred Regimens	Other Recommended Regimens	Preferred Regimens	Other Recommended Regimens	Preferred Regimens	
 5-FU + mitomycin + RT Capecitabine + mitomycin + RT 	• 5-FU + cisplatin + RT	• Carboplatin + paclitaxel	 5-FU + cisplatin FOLFCIS mFOLFOX6 Modified DCF 	Nivolumab Pembrolizumab if not previously received	
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Strategy in good clinical practice



- Induction/Neo-adjuvant systemic chemotherapy is a optional choice
- A short course of 5FU based regimen is optional before the CCRT.







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