

# Webinars Cutaneous Lymphoma

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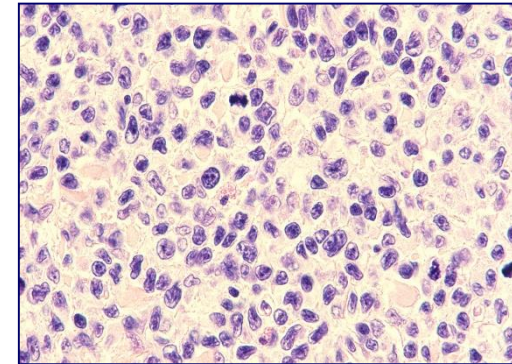
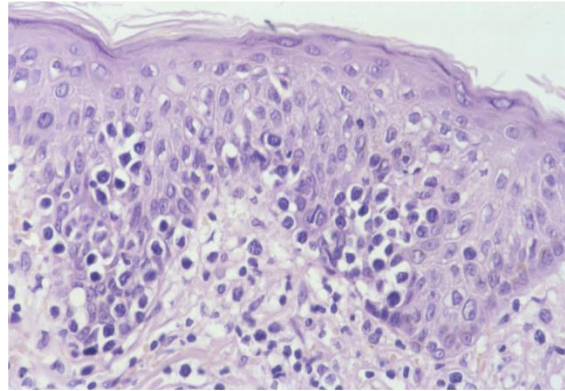
# Cutaneous Lymphoma

- A rare group of malignancies derived from lymphocytes that present in the skin.
- Different types of cutaneous lymphoma differ in prognosis and treatment approach.
- Diagnosis and treatment of cutaneous lymphomas needs specific expertise.
- Combining the clinical picture with skin histology is essential to make correct diagnosis.



# Mycosis Fungoides

- Most common type of CTCL (ca. 50%).
- Large majority of patients start with eczematous skin lesions (patches and plaques). In years to decades a slow progression is seen from patches to plaques to tumors.
- Development of nodal or visceral disease in a minority of patients.



# MF Clinical stage and Prognosis



4%



24%



**Patches**

**Plaques**

**Tumors**

**10-yr DSS: 97%**

**10-yr DSS: 83%**

**10-yr DSS: 42%**



# Therapy Mycosis Fungoides

## Diagnosis

- Inspection of skin
- Skin histology

## Staging

- Only if indicated by additional symptoms

## Treatment

- MF limited to the skin:
  - Skin-directed therapies (SDT).
  - Type of SDT adjusted to the type and extent of skin lesions (patch plaque tumor)
- Nodal or visceral involvement:
  - Systemic therapy, combined with or followed by SDT.

### Of note:

- Early aggressive treatment with CHOP-chemotherapy does not improve prognosis (Kaye: NEJM 1989;321:1784-90).



## European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer consensus recommendations for the treatment of mycosis fungoides/Sézary syndrome – Update 2017



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GUIDELINES

BJD  
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## British Association of Dermatologists and U.K. Cutaneous Lymphoma Group guidelines for the management of primary cutaneous lymphomas 2018

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## CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

# Primary cutaneous lymphomas: ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment and follow-up<sup>†</sup>

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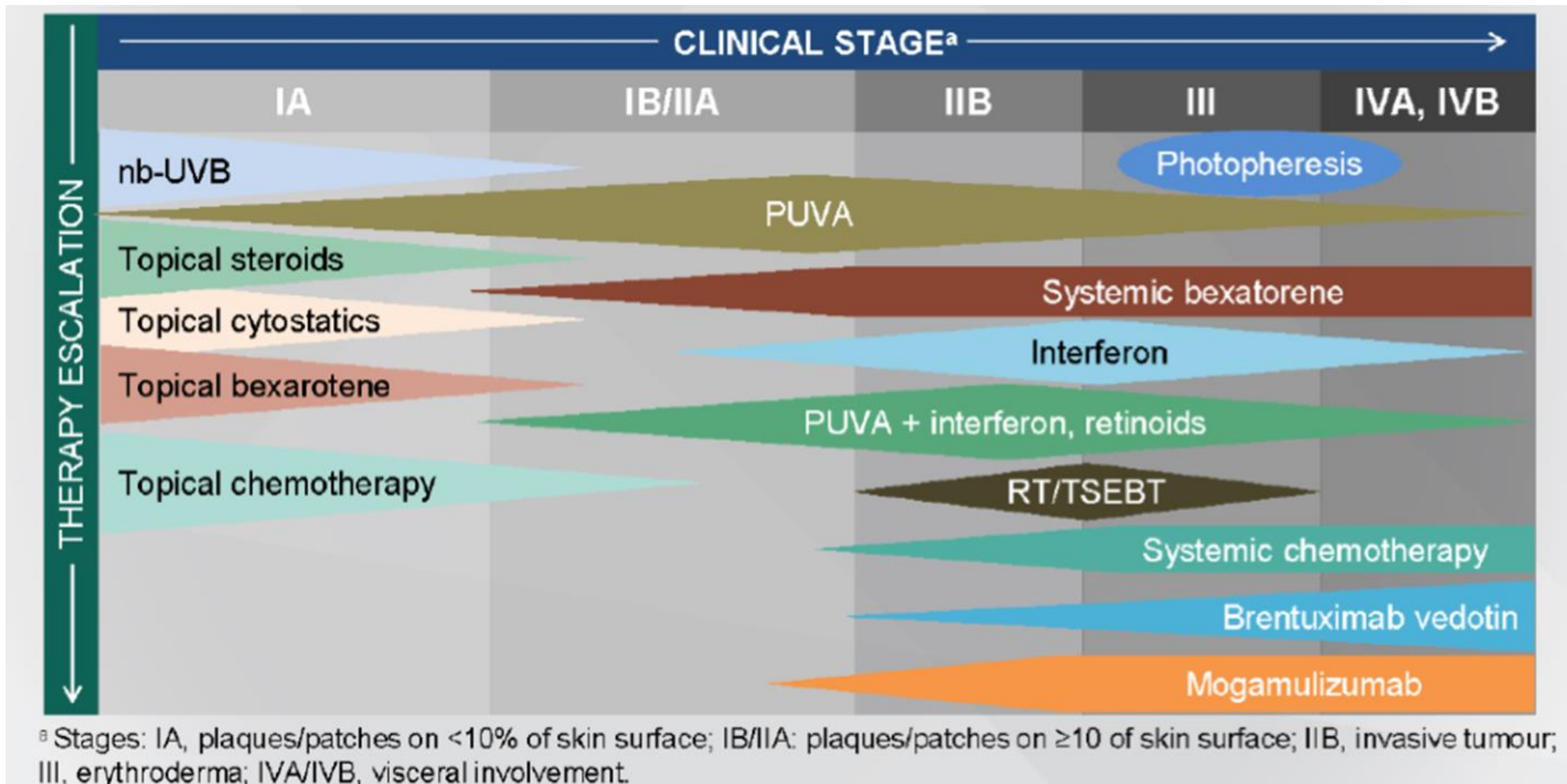
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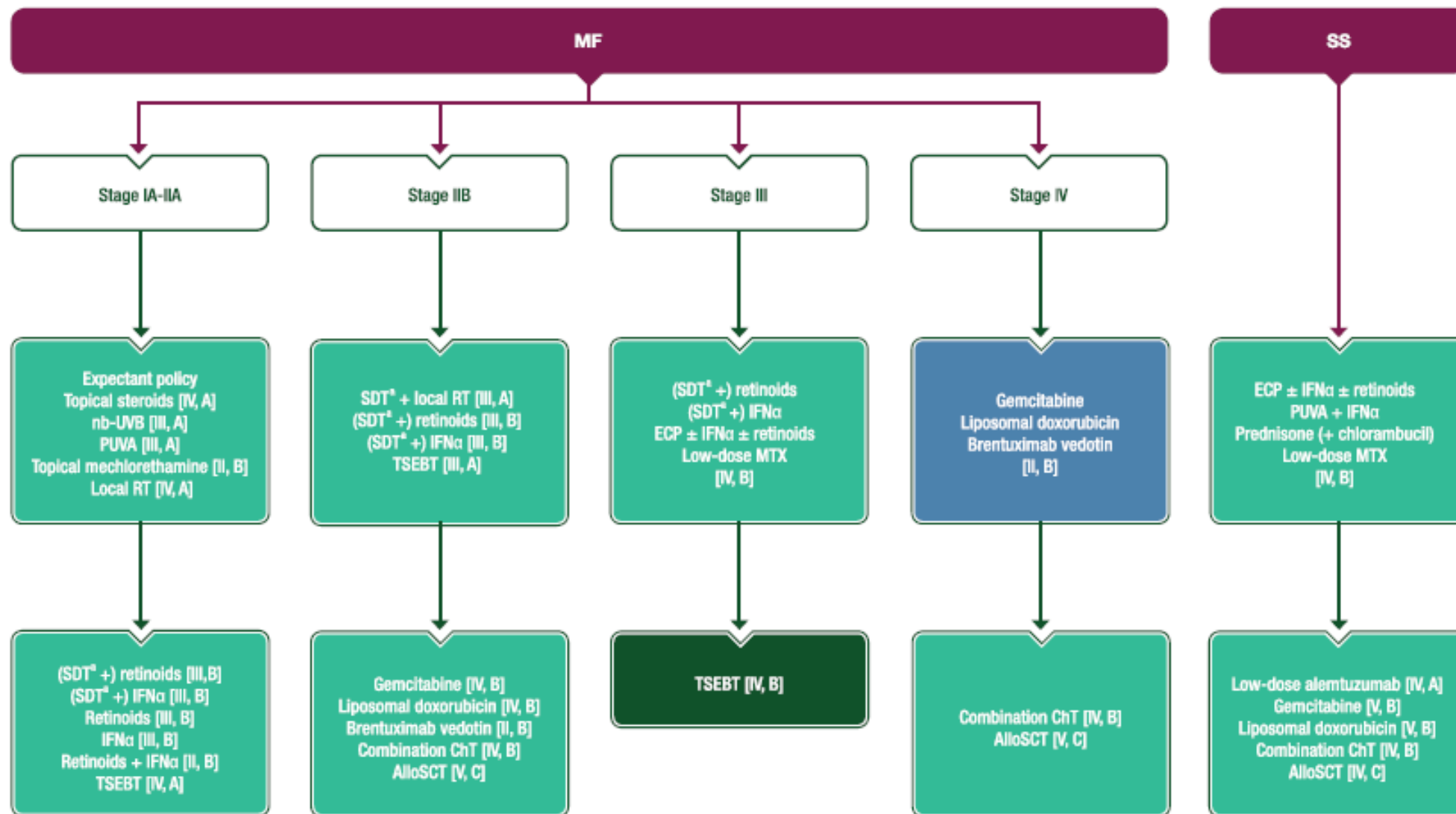


Figure 1. Recommendations for the treatment of MF/SS





## Therapy MF patch/plaque

- Local steroids.
  - Clobetasol propionate, 1dd, 4-7x a week
- Phototherapy (PUVA) 2 to 3x a week.
  - Normal schedule as in psoriasis en eczema.
  - In exceptional cases maintenance-PUVA 1x/ week-2 weeks.
  - Can be combined with: IFN $\alpha$  3x a week  $3 \times 10^6$  IU or retinoids
- Local chemotherapy (chlormethine).
  - Chlormethine gel 1dd 4-7x a week
- Phototherapy (UVB; TL-01), only in minimally infiltrated lesions.





# Therapy MF tumors

- Generalised plaques/tumors
  - PUVA + Neotigason 0,5 mg/kg
  - PUVA + Interferon- $\alpha$  3x a week  $3 \times 10^6$  IU
- One or several tumors:
  - Local radiotherapy, **8Gy** - 20Gy
- Generalised tumors:
  - Total skin electron beam





## MF treatment $\geq$ stage IIB

- A small proportion of MF patients (15%) develop nodal or visceral disease or widespread tumors not responsive to skin-targeted therapies.
- Traditionally treated with CHOP.
- Increasing reluctance to use CHOP because of therapy-induced immunosuppression.
- Increasing number of new treatment modalities, but exact place in treatment MF has still to be defined.



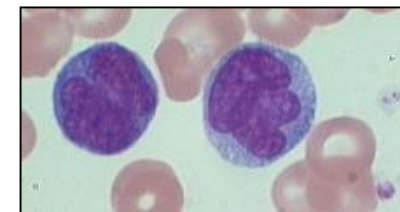
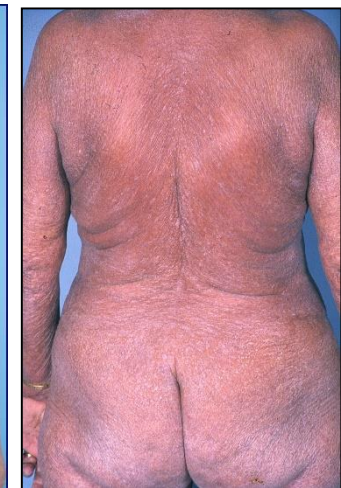
# Therapies in Clinic for MF $\geq$ stage IIB

- Cytotoxic drugs
  - Pralatrexate, Gemcitabine, Pentostatin, Forodesine
- HDACi
  - Vorinostat, Romidepsin, Panobinostat
- Antibodies
  - $\alpha$ CD52,  $\alpha$ CD30,  $\alpha$ CCR4
- Allogeneic Stemcell transplantation



# Sézary syndrome

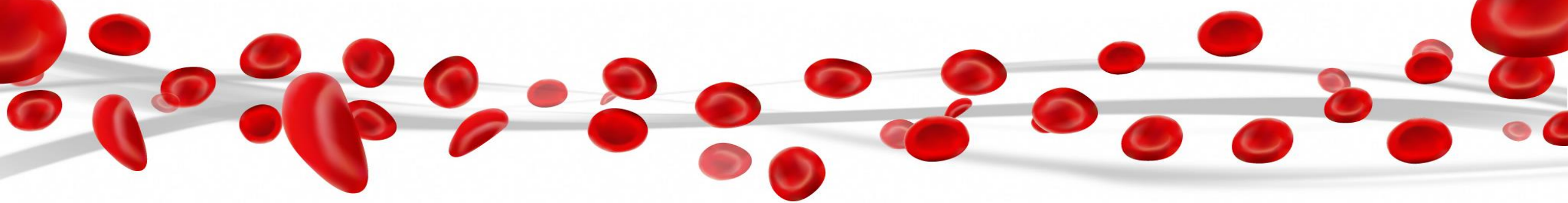
- Rare type of lymphoma derived from CD4+, skin-homing, memory T cells
- Clinical presentation:
  - Erythroderma
  - Lymphadenopathy
  - Atypical cells in skin, lymph nodes and blood
- Staging:
  - Skin histology
  - Blood
  - CT-scan
- Criteria:
  - T-cell clone in skin and blood
  - $>1000$  Sézary cells/ $\text{mm}^3$
  - CD4:CD8 ratio  $>10$ .
  - Loss of CD2, CD3, CD4 en/of CD5





# Therapy

- Skin directed therapies
  - PUVA, local steroids, Mustine
- Immuunmodulating
  - Interferon, Bexarotene, Extracorporeal photopheresis
- Chemotherapy
  - MTX, Leukeran, Forodesine
  - CHOP
- Immunotherapy
  - Antibodies: CD52, CCR4, CD30,
  - Cellular: allogenic Stemcell Transplantatie, CarT cells (future)



# Discussion