

# SOLID TUMOR MEASUREMENT

## RECIST 1.1

RECIST 1.1 describes a standard approach to solid tumour measurement and definitions for objective assessment of change in tumour size for use in cancer clinical trials. These guidelines for reproducible analysis serve an important purpose in drug discovery. Imaging endpoints assessed per RECIST 1.1 have been used for regulatory approval of new therapeutics by both the FDA and EMA.

### ACRONYM KEY

**TL** = Target Lesion

**NTL** = Non Target Lesion

**NL** = New Lesion

**CR** = Complete Response

**PR** = Partial Response

**PD** = Progressive Disease

**SD** = Stable Disease

**NE** = Non-Evaluable

**SOD** = Sum of the Diameters

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### Baseline Assessment

#### HOW TO SELECT LESIONS

##### TL

Up to 5 measurable lesions representing tumor burden (2max/organ)

##### NTL

Other lesions

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### Follow-up Assessment

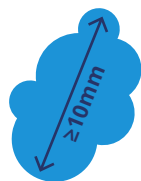
#### MONITORING SELECTED LESIONS

##### TL

Quantitative Assessment (SOD of all TLs)

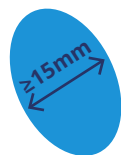
##### NTL

Qualitative Assessment (Absence or Presence)



#### Tumor Lesions

- Measurable if longest diameter  $\geq 10\text{mm}$
- Non measurable if longest diameter  $\leq 10\text{mm}$



#### Malignant Lymph Node

- Measurable if short axis  $\geq 15\text{mm}$
- Non measurable if  $10\text{mm} \leq \text{Short axis} \leq 15\text{mm}$  (non pathological if  $\leq 10\text{mm}$ )



#### Other Lesions

- Bone lesion is considered measurable only if with a soft tissue component that meets definition of measurability, otherwise non measurable
- Non measurable if: Blastic bone lesion, ascite, pleural/pericardial effusion, leptomeningeal disease, lymphangitic involvement of skin or lung, inflammatory breast cancer, abdominal organomegaly that can't be measured by reproducible imaging technique.

#### Lesion

#### Response

##### TL

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|----|---|
| CR | All TLs have disappeared or are $\leq 10\text{mm}$ if lymph node                                      |
| PR | 30% reduction in SOD compared to baseline   |
| PD | 20% increase in SOD compared to nadir (smallest sum recorded) + 5cm increase in SOD in absolute value |
| SD | no PR, no PD  |

##### NTL

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|-----------------|--|
| CR              | All NTL have disappeared or are $\leq 10\text{mm}$ if lymph node |
| NON CR / NON PD | Persistence of at least 1 NTL                                    |
| PD              | Unequivocal progression of existing NTL                          |

##### NL

The appearance of an unequivocal new lesion will trigger an overall response of PD

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## Overall Time Point Response

SUBJECTS WITH TARGET LESIONS  
AND NON TARGET DISEASES

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## Top Tips

FOR LIMITING VARIABILITY  
AND INCREASING ACCURACY  
OF RESULTS

### Subjects with Target Lesions

TL	NTL	NL	GLOBAL RESPONSE
CR	CR	No	CR
CR	Non CR: Non PD	No	PR
CR	NE	No	PR
PR	Non PD or NE	No	PR
SD	Non PD or NE	No	SE
NE	Non PD	No	NE
PD	CR, PD, Non CR/ Non PD, NE	Yes or No	PD
CR, PR, SD, PD or NE	Unequivocal OD	Yes or No	PD
CR, PR, SD, PD or NE	CR, PD, Non CR/ Non PD, NE	Yes	PD

### Subjects with Non Target Disease Only

NL	GLOBAL RESPONSE
CR	CR
Non CR/ Non PD	Non CR / Non PD
NE	NE
Unequivocal PD	PD
CR, PD, Non CR / Non PD, NE	PD

### Select neither too much nor too little TL

All lesions up to a maximum of five lesions total (and a maximum of two lesions per organ) must be identified to represent tumor burden. Don't forget that paired organs count as one!

### Don't select TLs in hollow organs

Lesions in hollow organs vary in size depending on the filling status of the organ; measurements are therefore non-reproducible. Watch out for this in gastrointestinal trials!

### Declaring PD based on change in NTL is an exceptional case

Only substantial unequivocal progression of NTL can call for PD.

### A new unequivocal lesion indicates PD

Even if found in a location that was not scanned at baseline.

### Be cautious with temporary inflammatory mechanisms

This can cause a new lesion to be declared by mistake (e.g. bone osteoblastic lesions or pulmonary small nodules).