New Mesothelioma Study Calls IMRT/Surgery Combo “Innovative and Promising”, According to Surviving Mesothelioma

A new report on high-dose radiation prior to mesothelioma surgery says the approach shows promise but may be a challenge.

Raleigh, NC (PRWEB) July 05, 2015 -- Doctors at the Swedish Cancer Institute in Seattle, Washington say with careful monitoring and good data-gathering, a new IMRT/surgery combination may one day change the outlook for people with pleural mesothelioma. Surviving Mesothelioma has just posted the full story. Click here to read it now.

Researchers report that five mesothelioma patients treated with 25Gy of radiation over five days just prior to surgery had good results and no serious complications.

“Early clinical results suggest that this approach is very promising, but also logistically challenging due to the multidisciplinary involvement,” state Drs. Susan Richardson and Vivek Mehta.

The findings have been published in Medical Physics and will be presented in July at the 57th Annual Meeting and Exhibition of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine in California.

“If these findings can be validated in a larger group of patients, this treatment protocol may not only offer hope to mesothelioma patients but could also significantly shorten the time they have to spend in treatment,” says Alex Strauss, Managing Editor of Surviving Mesothelioma.

To learn how this mesothelioma treatment works and how the study was done, see High Dose IMRT and Surgery Called ‘Innovative and Promising’ for Mesothelioma, available now on the Surviving Mesothelioma website.


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