

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) complicating early-stage lung cancer (LC)

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Three Main Points

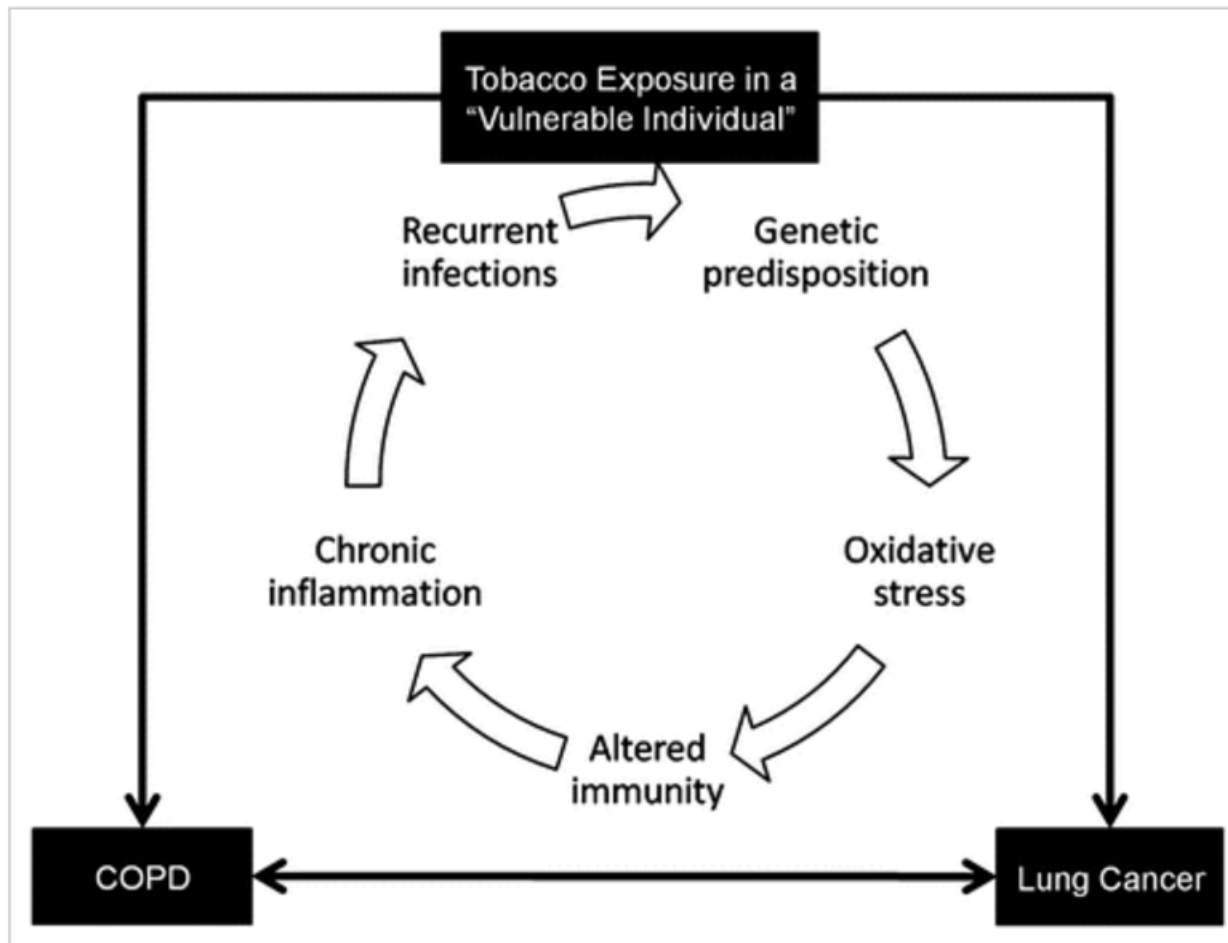
- **Overview: link between COPD and LC**
- **Prognosis of patients with COPD+LC**
- **Role of emphysema in LC outcome**

Link between COPD and LC

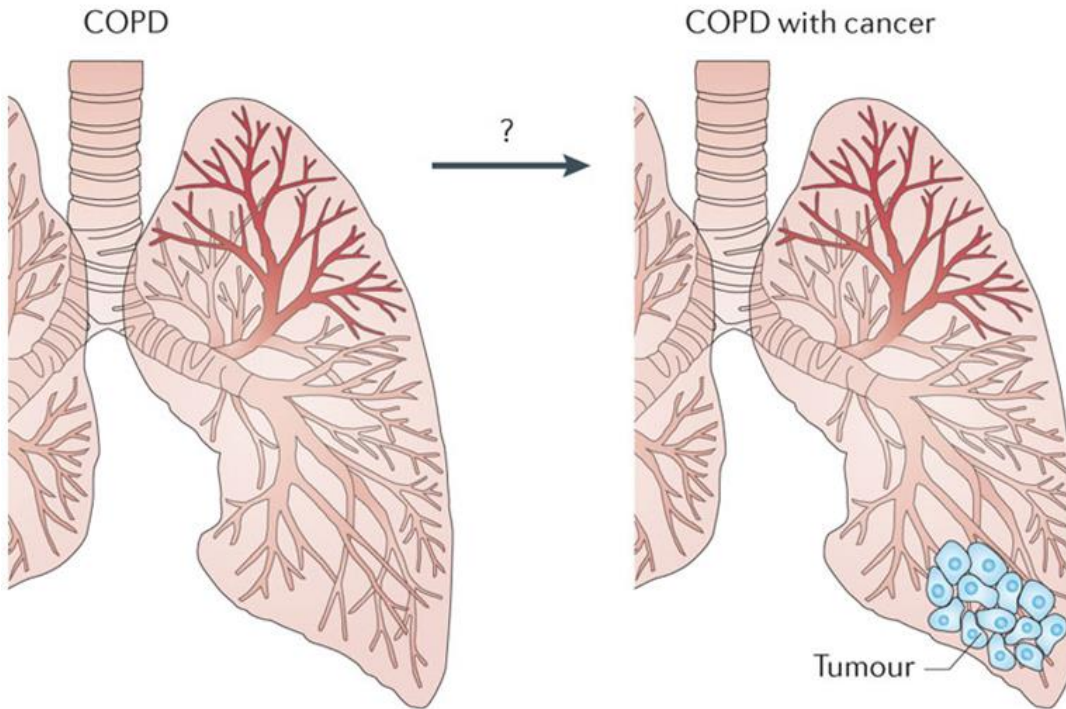
- **Time-tested observations**
- **Genomic and molecular mechanisms**
- **Clinical implications**

Mechanisms of association: COPD and LC

Raviv et al., Am J Resp & Critical Care; 2011



Candidate mechanisms linking COPD to LC



Genetics:

- Process oxidant or noxious stress
- EPHX, CYPs, MPO and NRF2

Cell cycle regulation:

- Avoid apoptosis
- Uncontrolled proliferation

Cytokines:

- NF- κ B activation
- Regulate tumour microenvironment

Inflammation:

- Field propagation
- Cytotoxic versus growth promoting

Proteinases:

- Matrix degradation
- Release growth factors

Studies linking COPD & LC

Study	Number of participants	Outcome	FEV ₁ (% predicted) [‡]	Emphysema
Skilrud <i>et al.</i> ⁴	226	Incidence	Cancers in 8.8% of cases (FEV ₁ <70%) versus 2.0% of controls (FEV ₁ >85%); <i>P</i> =0.024	NA
Tockman <i>et al.</i> ⁵	4,395	Mortality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cohort 1: RR 4.85 for FEV₁ <60% versus >60%; <i>P</i>=0.002 Cohort 2: RR 2.72 for FEV₁ 60–85% versus >85%; <i>P</i>=0.043 	NA
Speizer <i>et al.</i> ⁷	8,427	Mortality	Quartile-based FEV ₁ analysis confers cancer risk (RR 2.0–8.27)	NA
Lange <i>et al.</i> ⁶	13,946	Mortality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RR 2.1 (95% CI 1.3–3.4) for FEV₁ 40–79% versus >80% RR 3.9 (95% CI 2.2–7.2) for FEV₁ <40% versus >80% 	NA
de Torres <i>et al.</i> ¹⁹	1,166	Incidence	RR 2.89 (95% CI 1.14–7.27) for FEV ₁ /FVC ratio <70% versus >70%	Semi-quantitative radiographic emphysema, RR 3.13 (95% CI 1.32–7.44)
Wilson <i>et al.</i> ¹⁷	3,638	Incidence	OR 2.09 (95% CI 1.33–3.27) for any GOLD stage (FEV ₁ /FVC <70%)	Semi-quantitative radiographic emphysema, OR 3.56 (95% CI 2.21–5.73). After controlling for airflow obstruction, OR 3.14 (95% CI 1.91–5.15) for radiographic emphysema
Li <i>et al.</i> ²⁰	1,015	Incidence	NA	Semi-quantitative radiographic emphysema. Any=OR 2.79 (95% CI 2.05–3.81), >5%=3.80 (95% CI 2.78–5.19), >10%=OR 3.33 (95% CI 2.30–4.82)
Zulueta <i>et al.</i> ²¹	9,047	Mortality	NA	Semi-quantitative radiographic emphysema, HR 1.7 (95% CI 1.1–2.5); <i>P</i> =0.013
Maldonado <i>et al.</i> ²³	1,520	Incidence	Cancer risk conferred by decreasing FEV ₁ , OR 1.15 (95% CI 1.00–1.32; <i>P</i> =0.046); and FEV ₁ /FVC <70%, OR 1.29 (95% CI 1.02–1.62; <i>P</i> =0.0310)	Automated volumetric determination of radiographic emphysema was not associated with lung cancer risk, OR 1.042 (95% CI, 0.816–1.329; <i>P</i> =0.743)

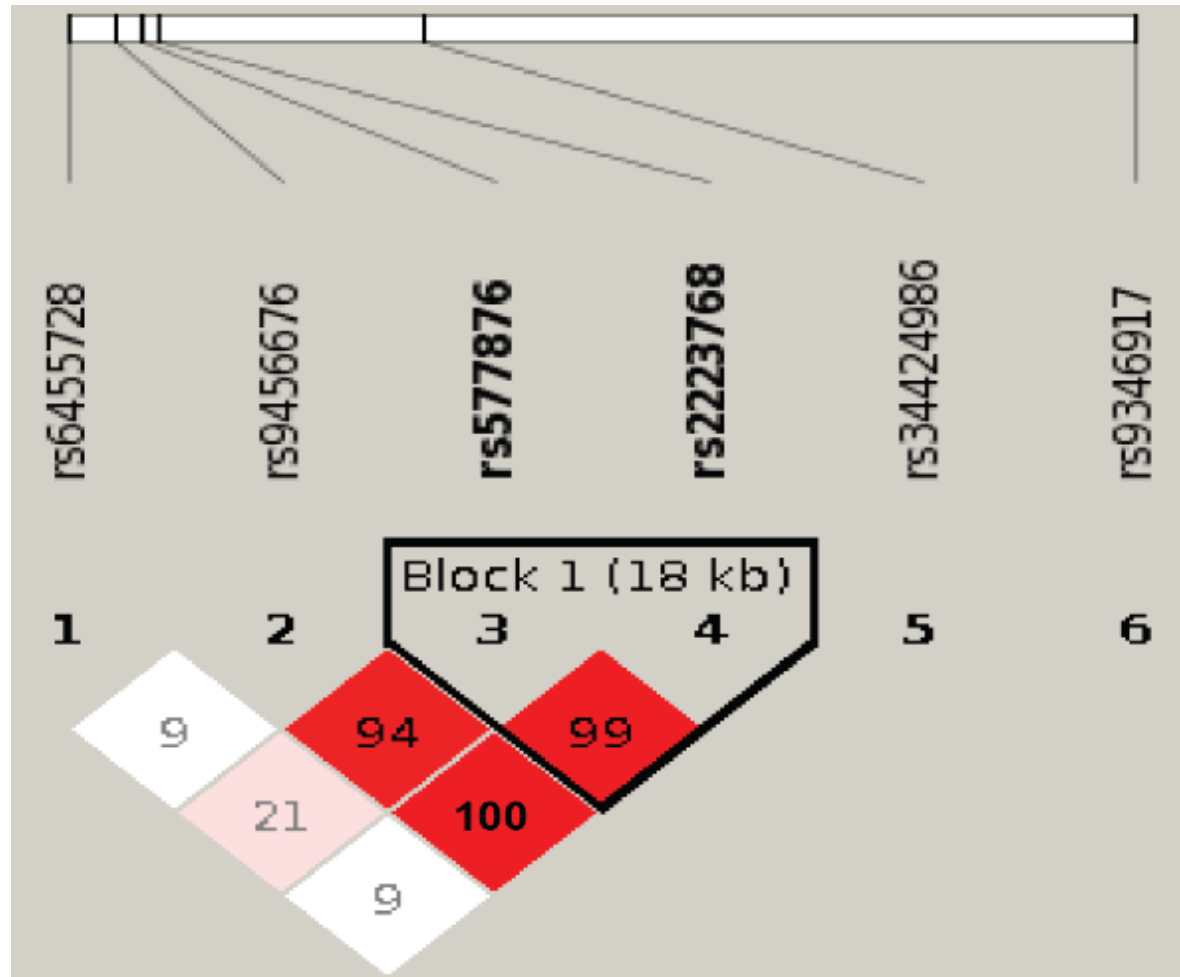
CI, confidence interval; FEV₁, forced expiratory volume in 1 second; FVC, forced vital capacity; GOLD, Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease; HR, hazard ratio; NA, not applicable; OR, odds ratio; RR, relative risk. *All studies controlled for age and cigarette consumption. ‡The FEV₁ is reported as the percentage that would be predicted for that individual based on parameters that are known to influence the FEV₁, such as gender, age, height and race.

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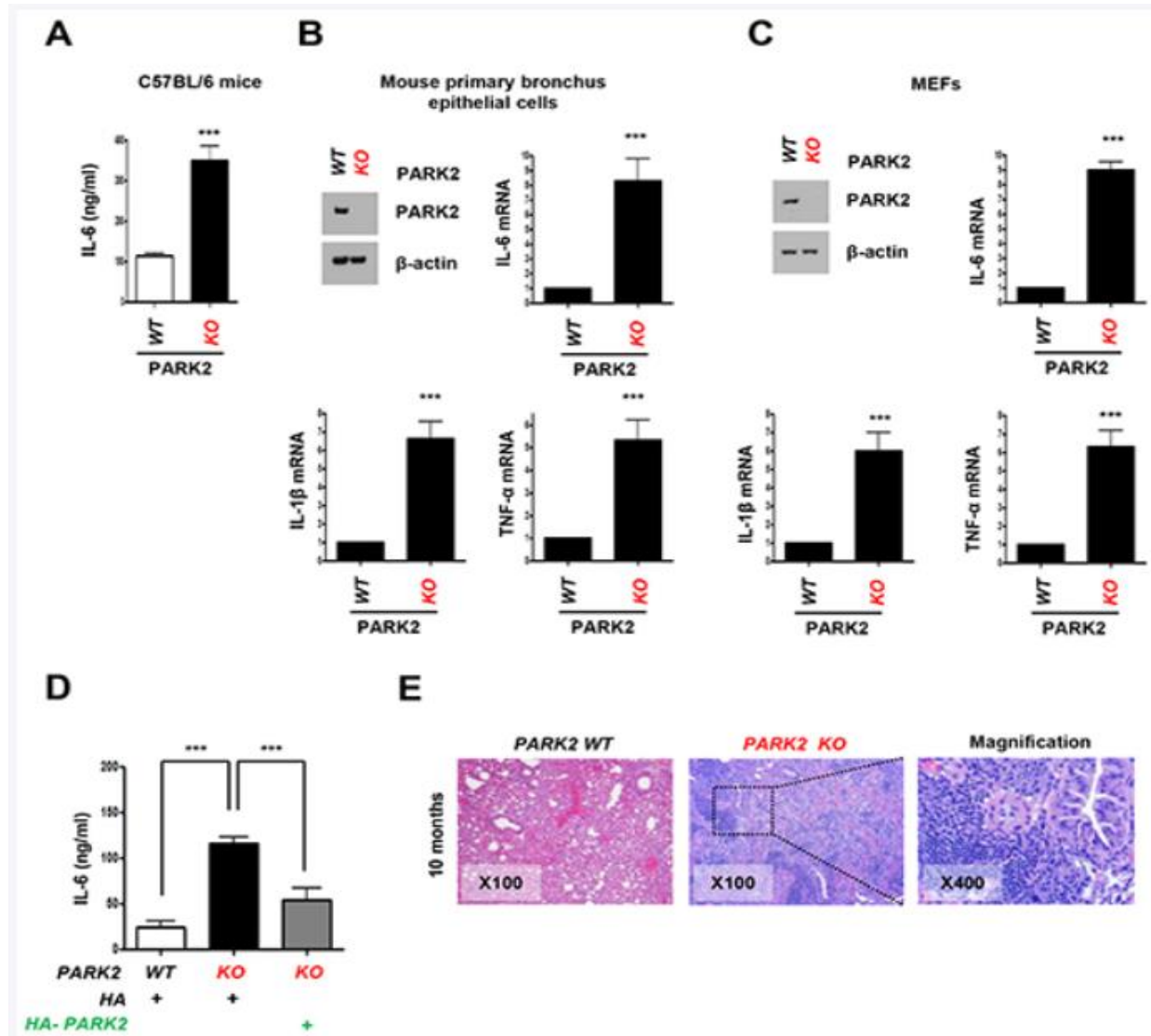
Table 1: Distribution of LC and COPD in 2484 cases and controls

	COPD +	COPD -	Total
LC +	n +/+ (573)	n +/- (612)	1185
LC -	n -/+ (537)	n -/- (762)	1299
Total	1110	1374	2484

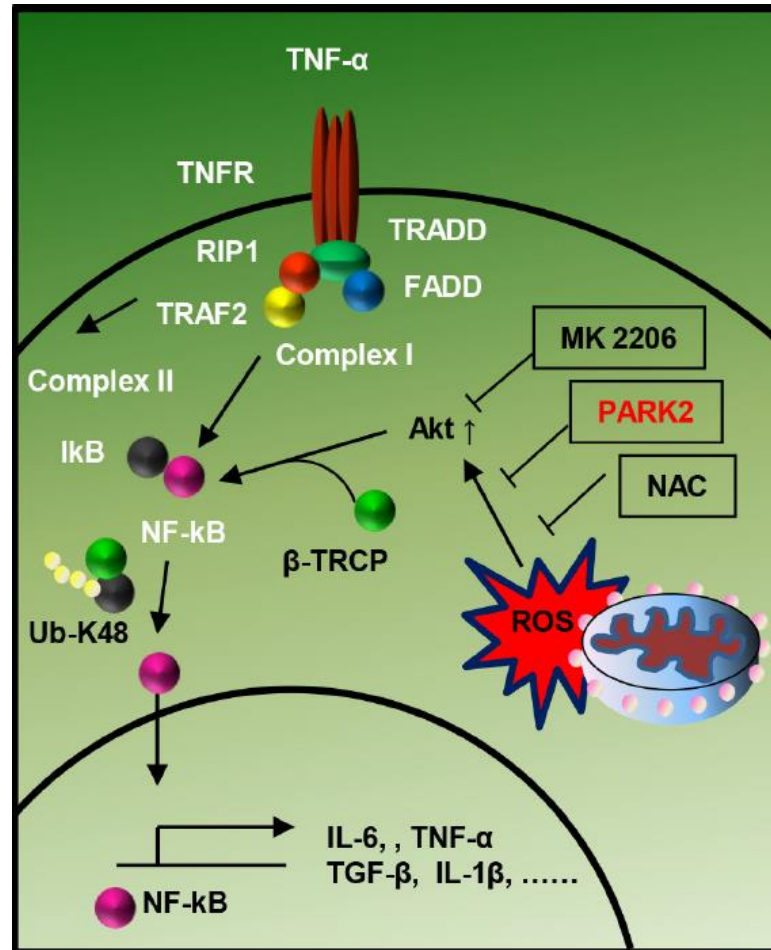
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Schematic model

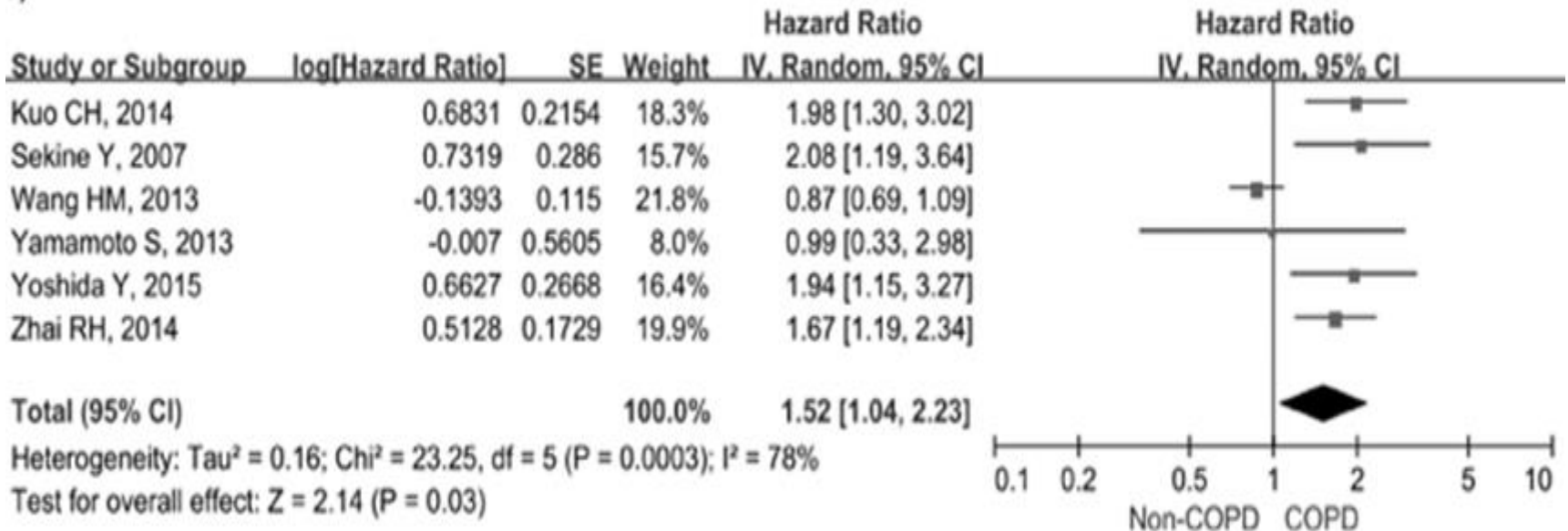


COPD & LC: Clinical Implications

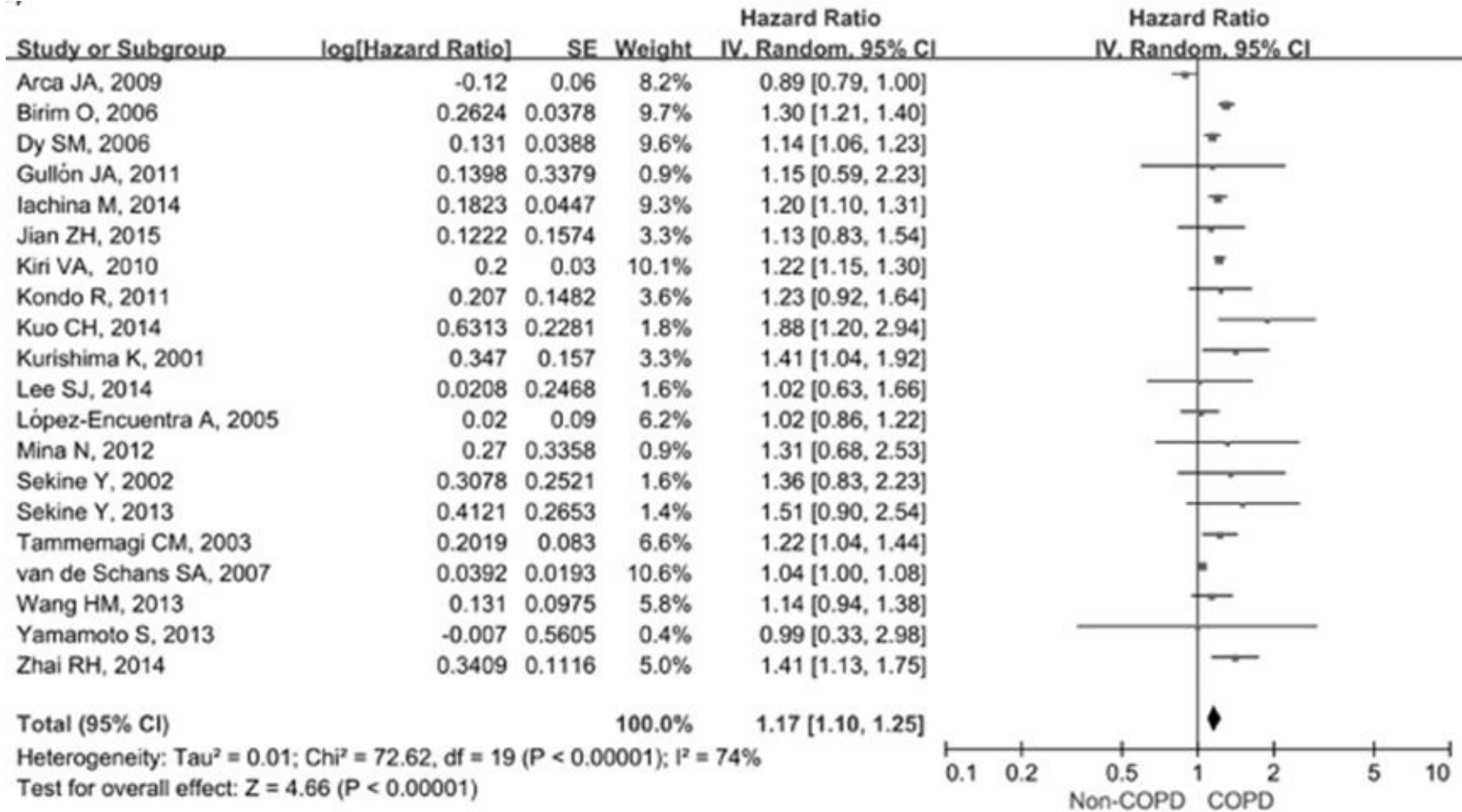
- **Prognosis of patients with COPD+LC**
- **Role of Emphysema on LC patients' survival**
- **Regional emphysema score: a predictor of outcomes in early-stage lung cancer**

Prognosis of Patients with COPD+LC

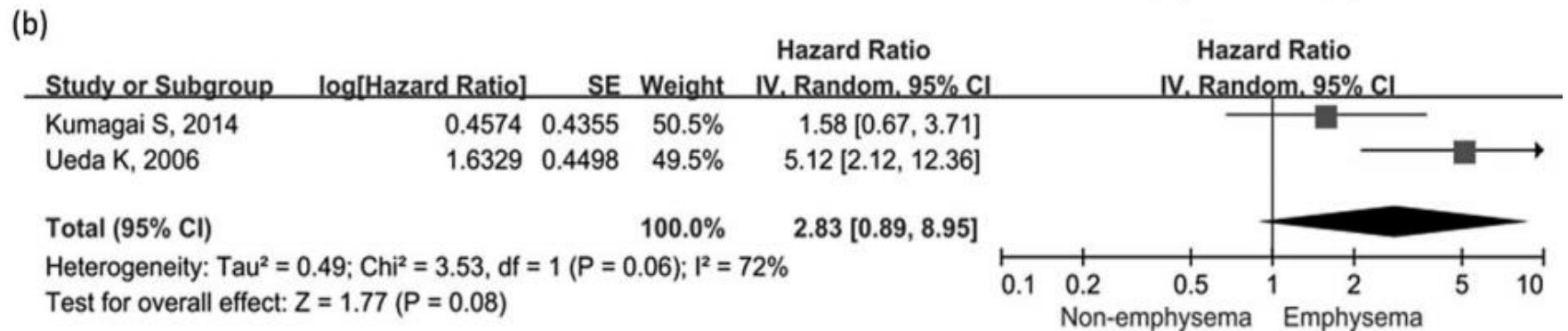
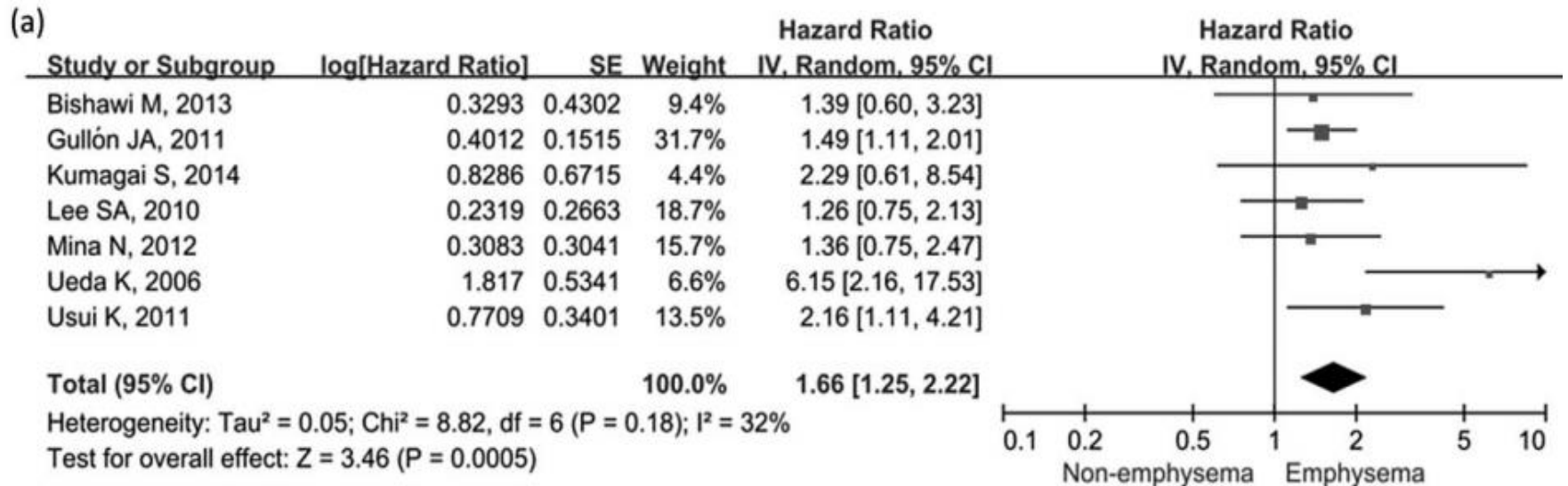
- **Associations of concomitant COPD and LC survival**
(Gao et al., Respirology 2016):
 - (a) **Effect on disease-free survival (DFS)**
 - (b) **Effect on overall survival (OS)**



Effect on overall survival



The Role of Emphysema: OS vs. DFS



Regional emphysema score: a predictor of outcomes in early-stage lung cancer

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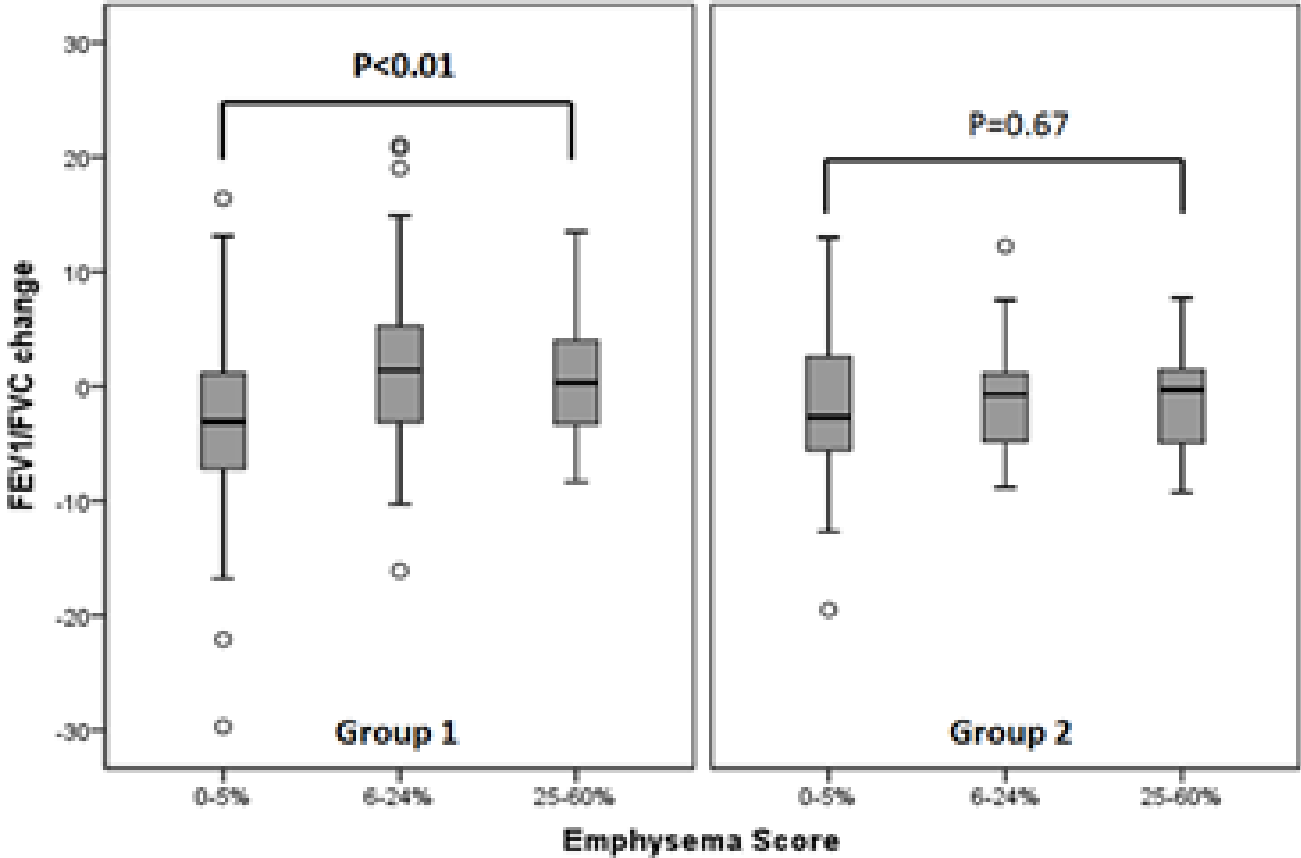
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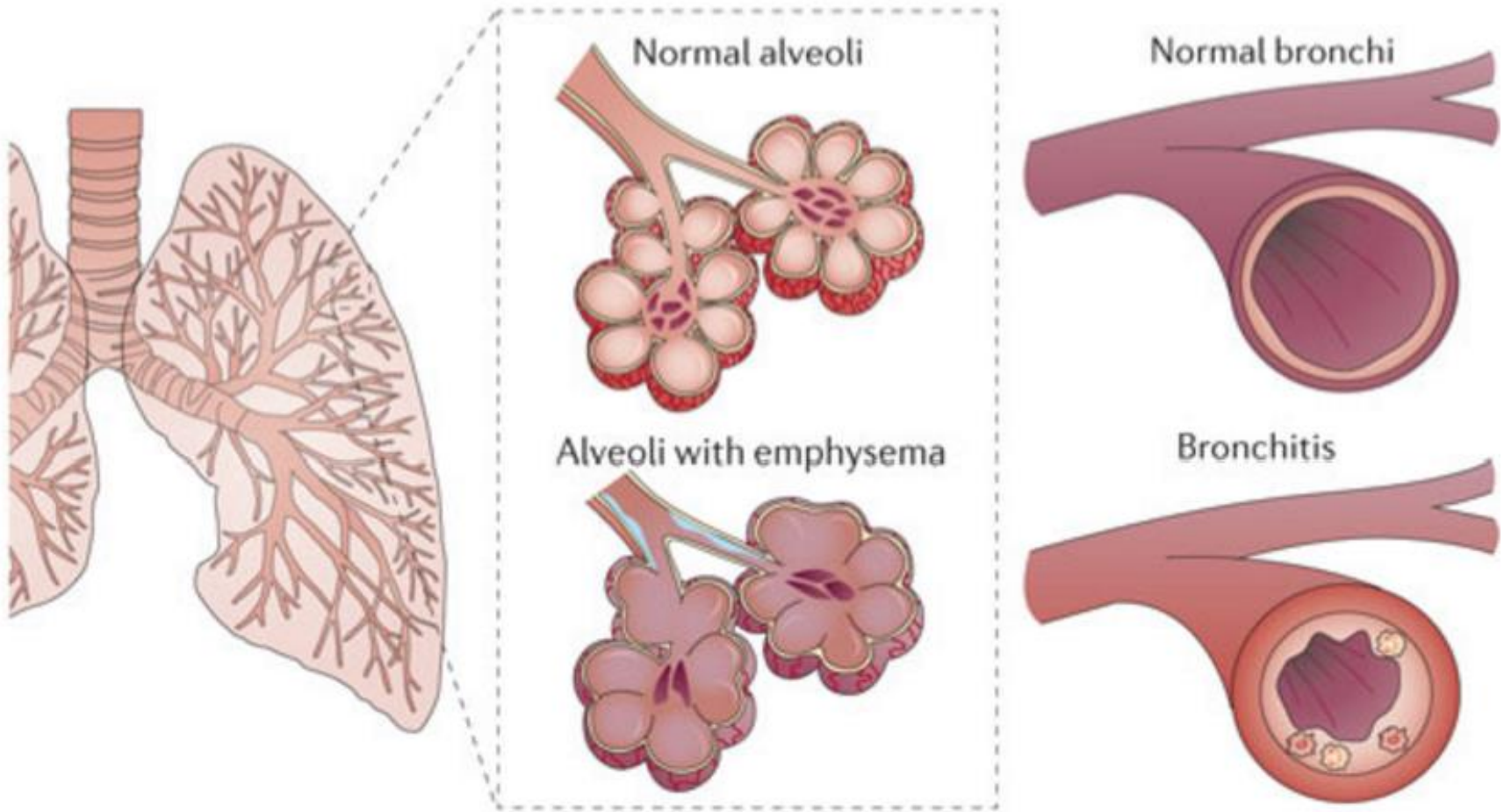
Study Population

Early stage lung cancer, having pre-treatment
CT scan and regional emphysema score
(n=1073)

Postoperative pulmonary function changes <2 years



- Classically, COPD subdivided into chronic bronchitis & emphysema
- Most commonly but not always, patients exhibit both



Three Take-home Messages

- **Mechanisms from COPD progressed to LC**
- **Prognosis of patients with COPD \pm LC**
- **Regional emphysema score: a predictor of outcomes in early-stage lung cancer**