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Abstract

"where evidence" should be "with evidence"

Results or opinions?

line 115: Outcome after relapse depends strongly on the mix of actual patients entered - relapse or refractory and time to relapse.

The ELIANA study included many conventionally unfavorable patients who were judged well enough to enroll on study

line 144 The proportion of patients cured after relapse is not large!!

Sun et al have recently published data on survival after second and subsequent relapse
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