



UCCH Pathway

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Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lip

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Next planned review

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Legend of Colours



= Therapeutic procedure



= Clinical or diagnostic condition



= Diagnostic procedure



= Clinical trial



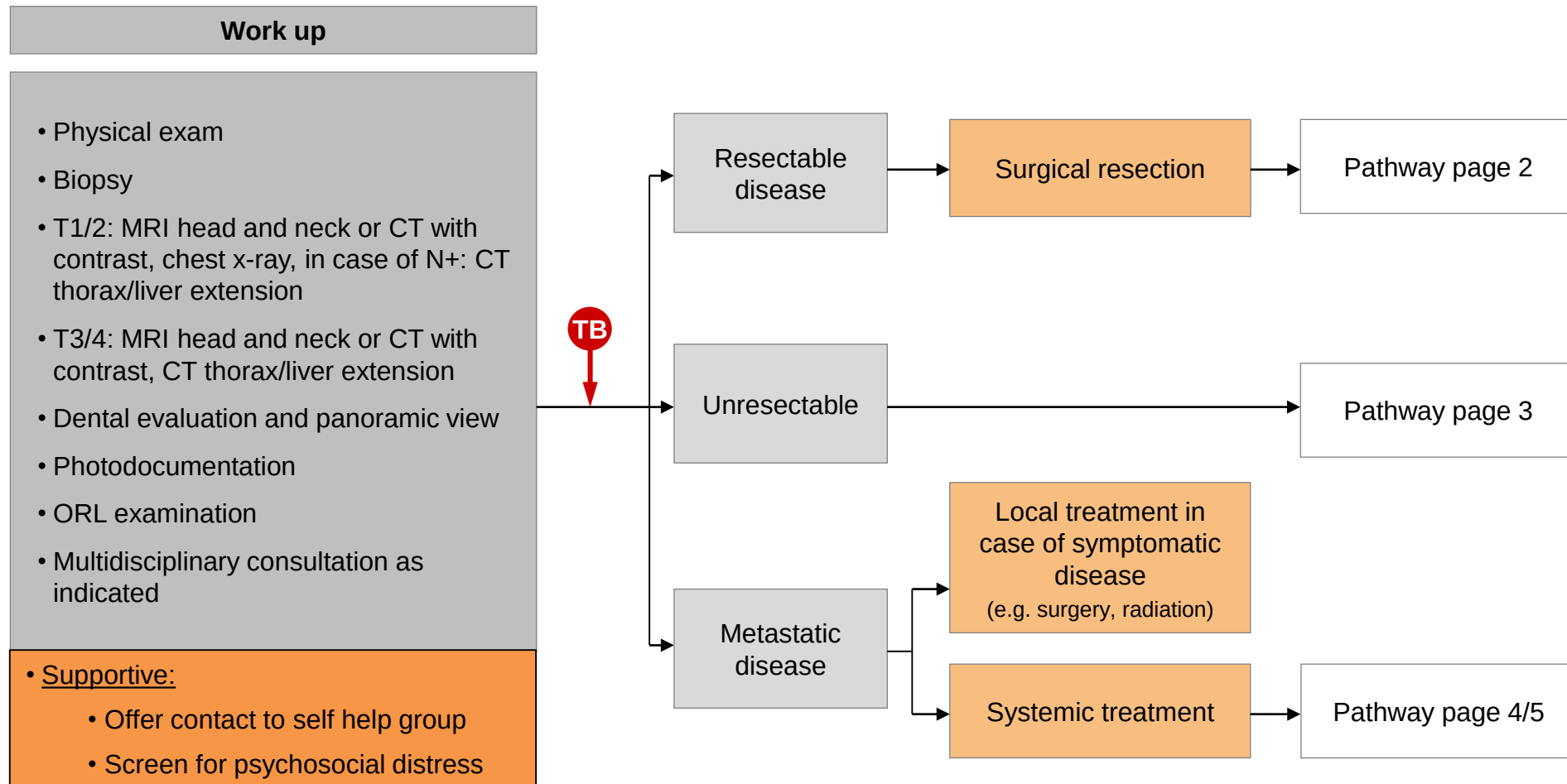
= Supportive measure



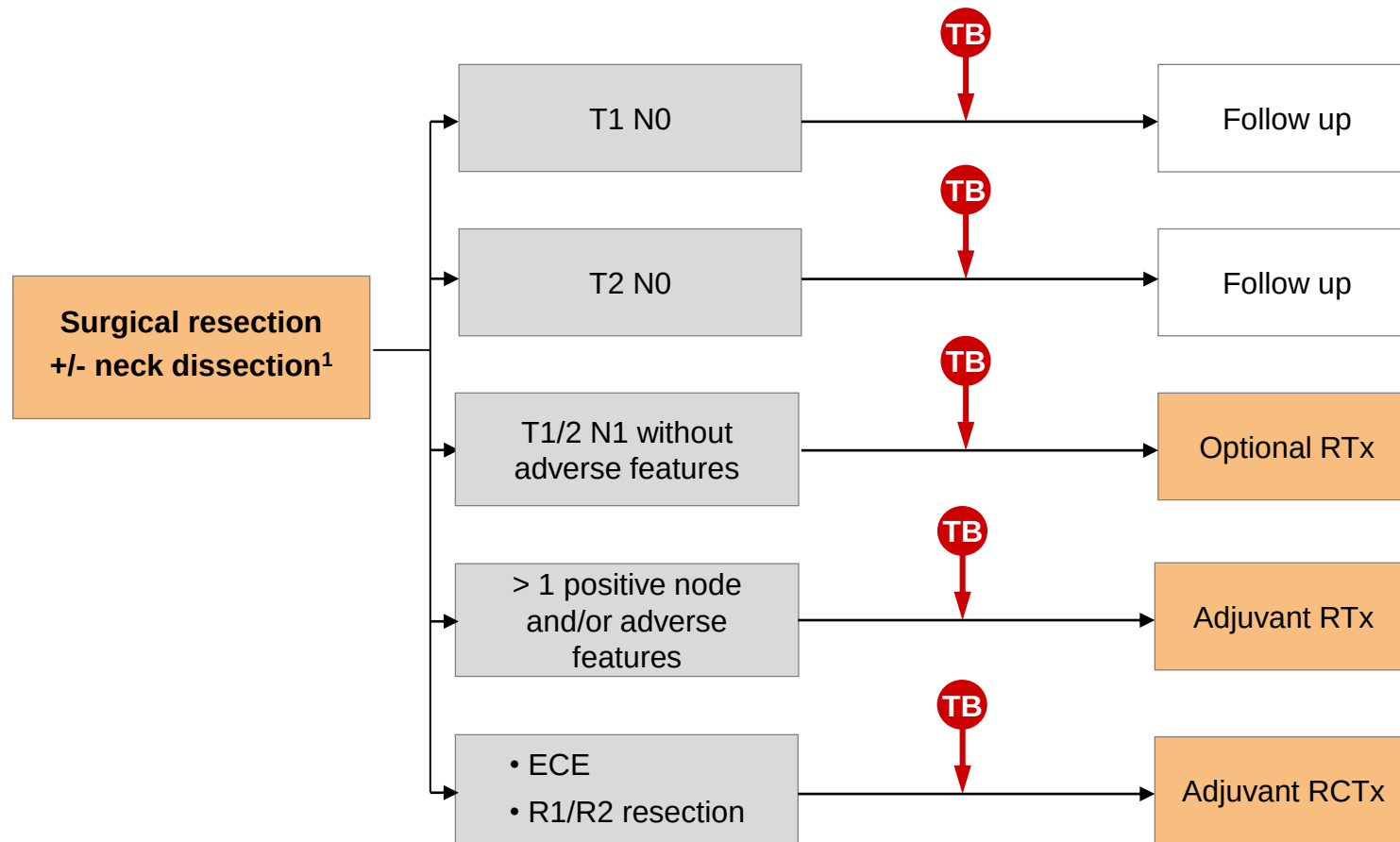
= Referral



= Tumorboard
(including post
tumorboard interaction
with patient that follows
the principles of shared
decision-making)



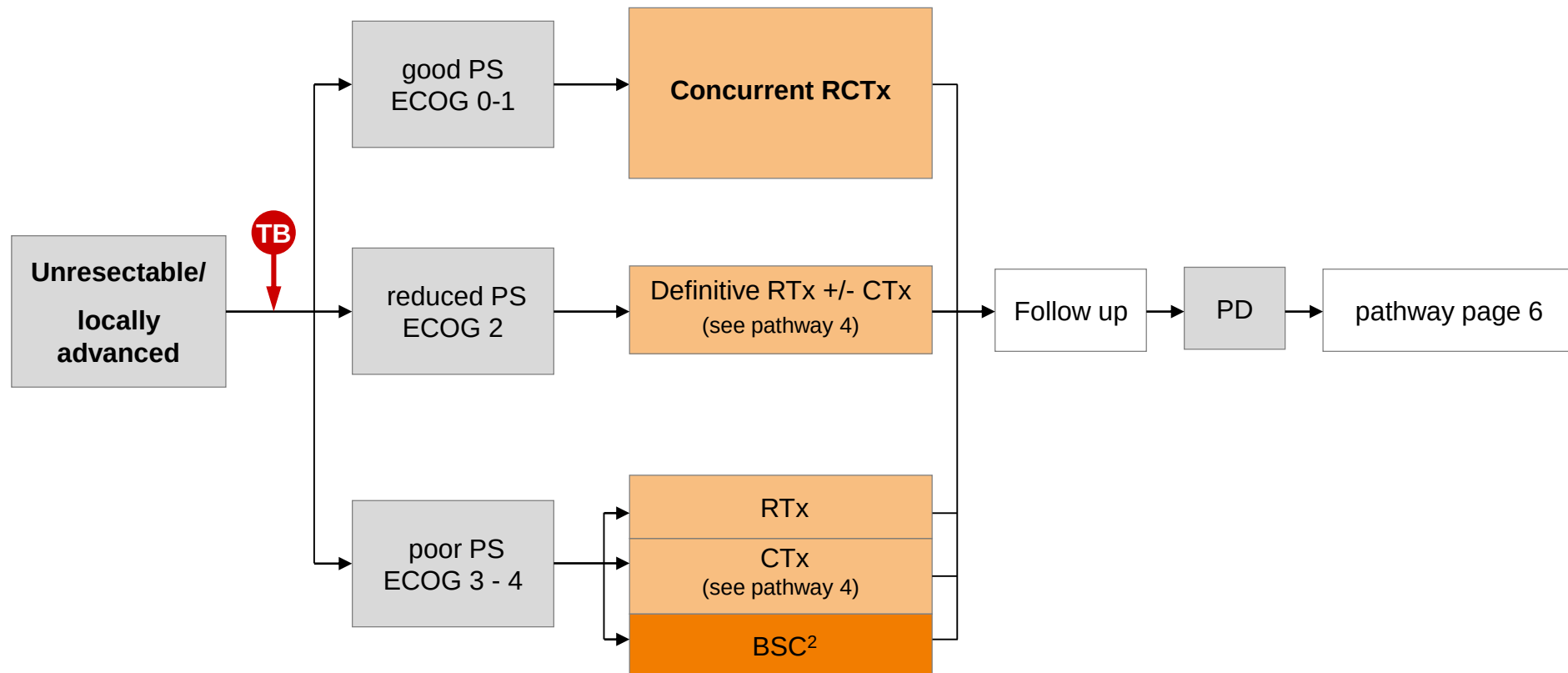
Pathway page 2: Surgical resection



ECE Extra Capsular Extension, RTx Radiotherapy, RCTx Radiochemotherapy, Adverse features: pT3/T4, Pn1, L1, V1

¹ See indications for neck dissection in pathway page 7

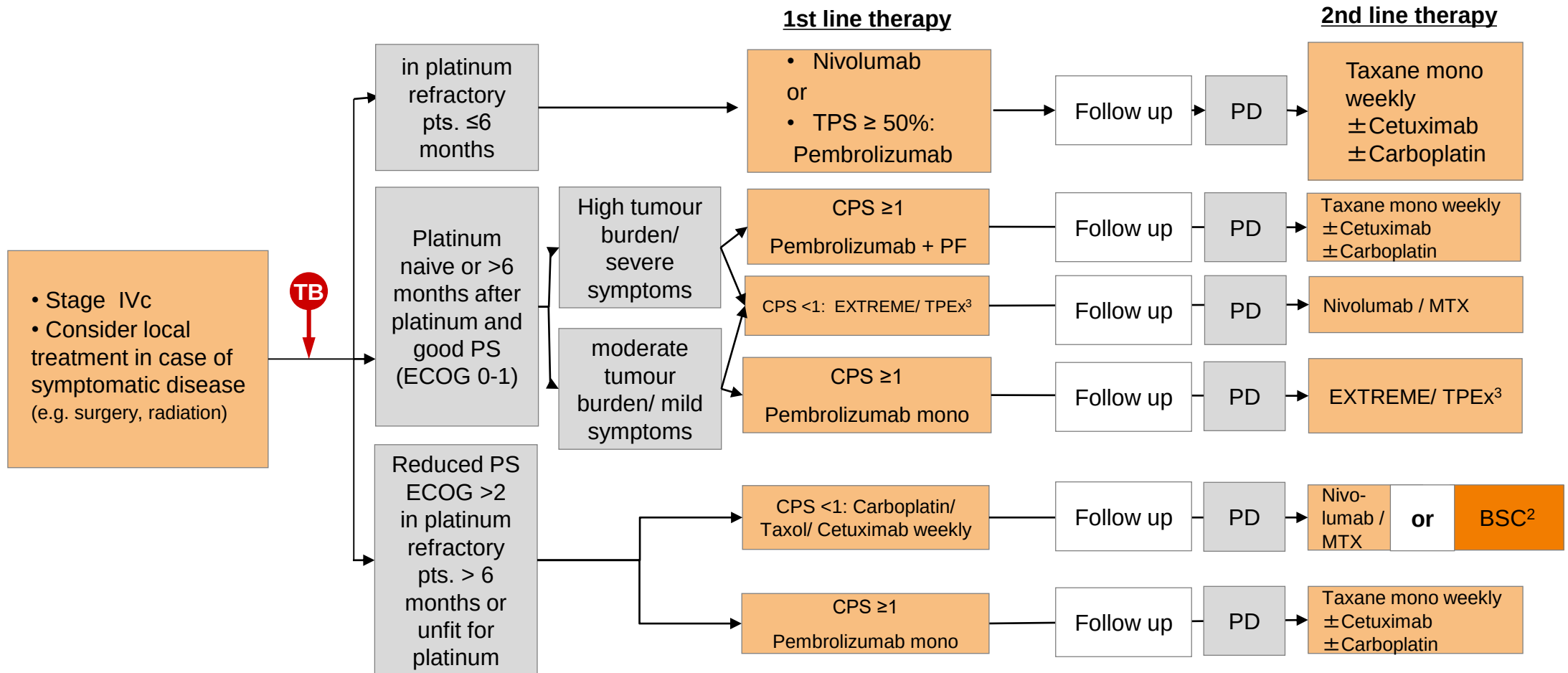
Pathway page 3: Unresectable (locally advanced)



PS Performance Status, ECOG The Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group, BSC Best supportive care, PD Progressive Disease, RTx Radiotherapy, RCTx Radiochemotherapy, CTx Chemotherapy

² See palliative care screening tool on page 11

Pathway page 4: Metastatic disease (systemic treatment)



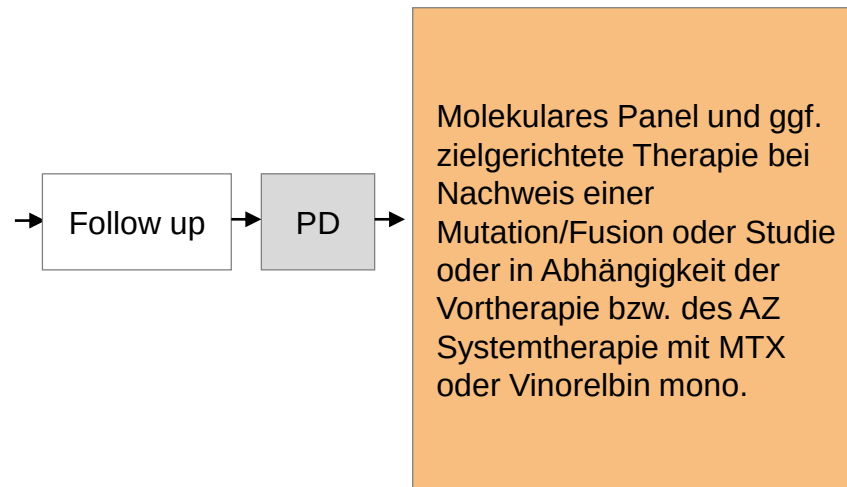
PS Performance Status, ECOG The Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group, BSC Best supportive care, PD Progressive Disease, CPS combined proportion score

² See palliative care screening tool on page 11

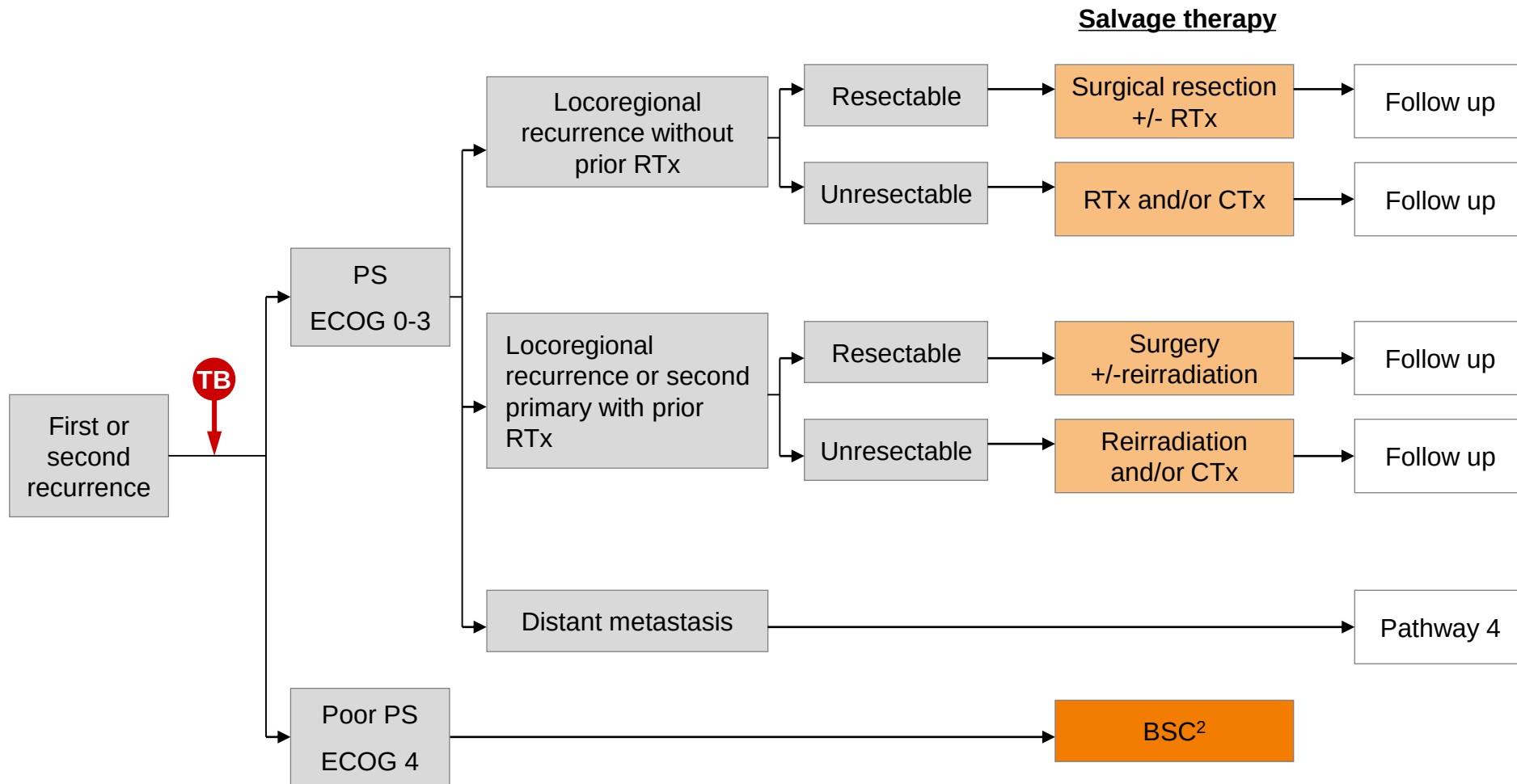
³ See therapy protocols SCCHN on pages 13-15

Pathway page 5: Metastatic disease (systemic treatment)

3rd line therapy



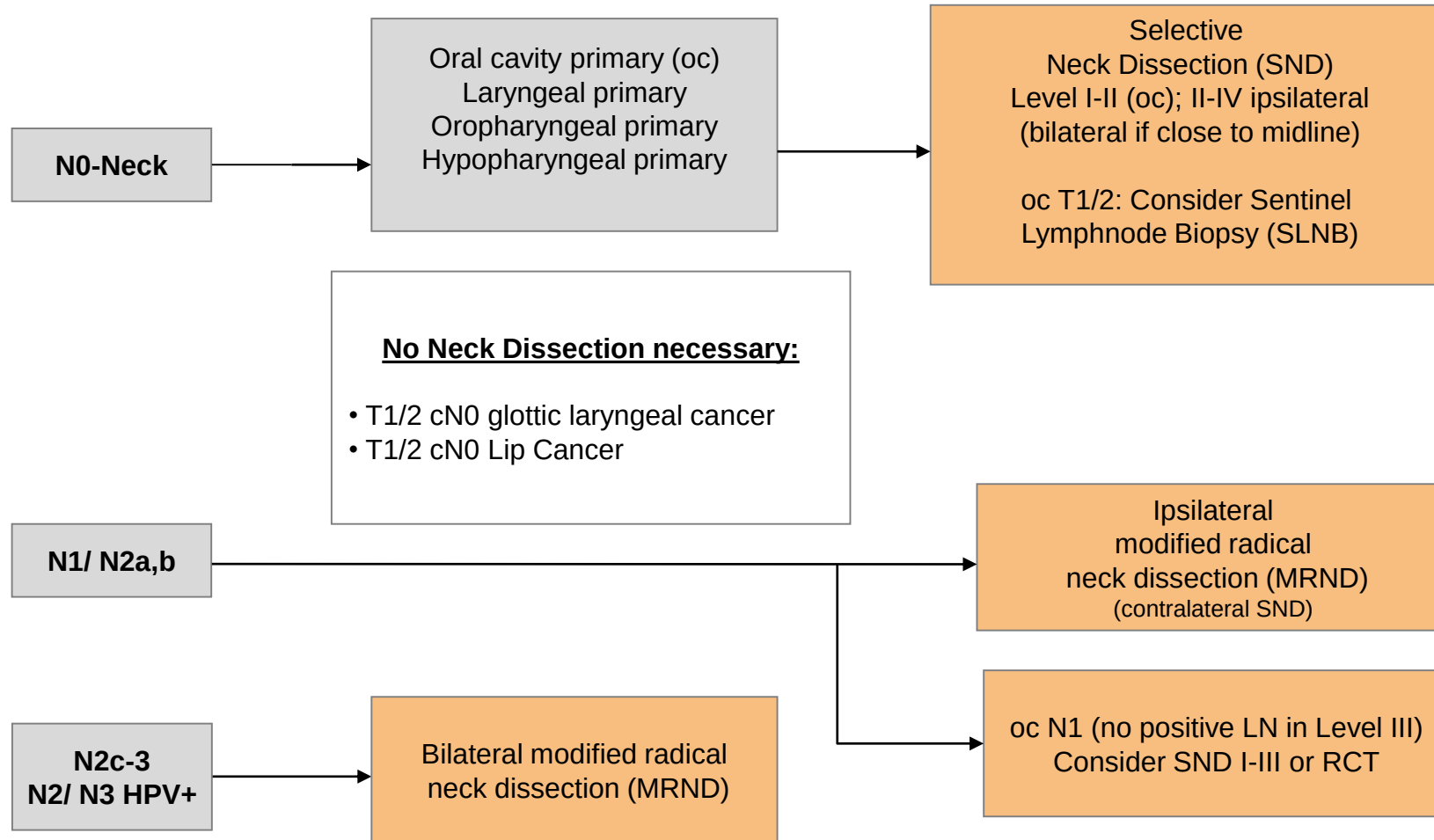
Pathway page 6: Salvage therapy



PS Performance Status, ECOG The Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group, RTx Radiotherapy, CTx Chemotherapy, BSC Best supportive care

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Pathway page 7: Indications for Neck Dissection



Pathway page 8: Restaging

3 months after completion of therapy

- Clinical examination
- Ultrasound neck
- ORL examination
- MRI neck (including primary lesion), if contraindication CT neck
- In case of unclear or suspicious lesion in thorax or abdomen: CT chest, CT/ultrasound abdomen

Pathway page 9: Follow up

Every 3 months up to 30 months, afterwards every 6 months (5-year follow up)
Offer contact to self help group and psychooncological support whenever necessary
TSH every 6-12 months if neck irradiated, dental +oral evaluation exposed to intraoral radiation treatment

First 30 months:

every 3 months: Clinical examination, Ultrasound neck
every 6 months: Clinical examination, Ultrasound neck, chest x-ray, Panoramic view,
Photodocumentation

In high risk patients:

Year 1: every 6 weeks

Month 30 – 60:

every sixth month: Clinical examination, Ultrasound neck, chest x-ray, Panoramic view,
Photodocumentation

CT/MRI with contrast Head+Neck:

Months: 3-6 (Restaging), 6-9, 18, 30, 60

CT with contrast Chest in pN+ situations:

Months: 6-9, 18, 30, 60

High risk patients: <45y old, 2 years after recurrence, >pN2, ECE+, constant risk factors

Pathway page 10: Best supportive care

Best supportive care / palliative treatment

Consider nutritional counseling, psychological counseling, offer contact to self-help group

Upper airway obstruction:

PEG tube

Tracheostomy

Tumor associated pain:

analgetics (WHO)

palliative (chemo)radiation

Pathway page 11: Palliative care screening tool

Screening items		Points
1.	• Presence of metastatic or locally advanced cancer	2
2.	• ECOG score (functional status score, performance status)	0-4
3.	• Presence of one or more serious complications of advanced cancer usually associated with a prognosis of < 12 months (e.g. brain metastases, hypercalcemia, delirium, spinal cord compression, cachexia)	1
4.	• Presence of one or more serious comorbid diseases also associated with poor prognosis (e.g. moderate-severe COPD or CHF, dementia, AIDS, end stage renal failure end stage liver cirrhosis)	1
5.	• Presence of palliative care problems	1
	a. • Symptoms uncontrolled by standard approaches	1
	b. • Moderate to severe distress in patient or family, related to cancer diagnosis or therapy (personal targets and expectations, educational and informational requirements, cultural factors)	1
	c. • Patient/family requests palliative care consult	1
	d. • Team needs assistance with complex decision making or determining goals of care (benefit/side effects of treatment)	1
	e. • Instable or deficient network especially for emergency situation or 24-h care	1

A total of > 5 points signals need for supportive palliative care

According to Glare et al. (2011); NCCN Clinical Practice guidelines in Oncology 2015

Therapy Protocols RTx/ RCTx

Definitive Radiotherapy (definitive RTx)⁵:

high risk:

- ≥ 70 -72 Gy (2.0 Gy/day) or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept
- External-beam RT ≥ 50 Gy +/- brachytherapy

Medium risk:

- ≥ 60 Gy (2,0/die) or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept

Low risk:

- ≥ 50 Gy (2,0/die) or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept

Postoperative (adjuvant) Radiotherapy (RTx)⁵:

Primary:

- ≥ 60 Gy (2.0 Gy/die) or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept

Neck:

- Involved nodal stations: 60 Gy (2 Gy/day) or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept
- Uninvolved nodal stations: 50 GY (2 Gy/day) or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept

Palliative Radiotherapy (RTx)⁵:

- Moderate Hyperfraction or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept

Radio-chemotherapy (RCTx)⁵:

- Definitive or high risk adjuvant 70-72 Gy, 2 Gy/die or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept
- Adjuvant 66 Gy or equivalent or moderately accelerated in an integrated dose concept
- Cisplatin 40 mg/m² every week (max. 7 cycles)

or

- Mitomycin 10 mg/m² day 5 and day 36 and
- 5-FU 600 mg/m² during 120 h infusion day 1-5

⁵ SIB (simultane integrated boost possible)

Therapy protocols SCCHN (1)

TPEX

- Cisplatin 75 mg/m² every 3 weeks
- Docetaxel 75 mg/m² every 3 weeks
- Cetuximab 250 mg/m² weekly (400 mg/m² loading dose)
- + G-CSF after each cycle
- Maintenance after 4 cycles TPEX: Cetuximab 500 mg/m² biweekly

EXTREME

- Cisplatin 100 mg/m² every 3 weeks (max. 6 cycles)
- 5-FU 4000 mg/m² during 96h infusion every 3 weeks (max. 6 cycles)
- Cetuximab 250 mg/m² weekly (400 mg/m² loading dose)
- + G-CSF after each cycle
- Maintenance after 4-6 cycles EXTREME: Cetuximab 500 mg/m² biweekly

Therapy protocols SCCHN (2)

Carboplatin/Paclitaxel/Cetuximab weekly (R/M-SCCHN)

- Paclitaxel 80 mg/m² weekly
- Carboplatin AUC2 weekly
- Cetuximab 250 mg/m² weekly (400 mg loading dose)
- Maintenance after 18 weeks: Cetuximab 500 mg/m² biweekly

TPF (Induction) (max. 3 cycles)

- Cisplatin 80-100 mg/m² every 3 weeks
- 5-FU 4000 mg/m² during 96h infusion every 3 weeks
- Docetaxel 75 mg/m² every 3 weeks
- + G-CSF after each cycle

Therapy protocols SCCHN (3)

Nivolumab Mono

- Nivolumab 240 mg every 2 weeks or 480 mg every 4 weeks

Pembrolizumab Mono

- Pembrolizumab 200 mg every 3 weeks or 400 mg every 6 weeks

Pembrolizumab + PF

- Pembrolizumab 200 mg every 3 weeks
- Cisplatin 100 mg/m² every 3 weeks (max. 6 cycles)
- 5-FU 4000 mg/m² during 96h infusion every 3 weeks (max. 6 cycles)
- After PF-cycles Pembrolizumab Mono maintenance