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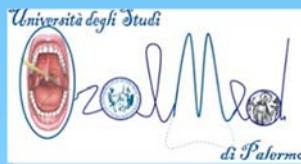
OSTEONECROSI DELLE OSSA MASCELLARI (ONJ) DA BIFOSFONATI E ALTRI FARMACI: PREVENZIONE, DIAGNOSI, FARMACOVIGILANZA, TRATTAMENTO - UPDATE 2014

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# What happens to the BRONJ patients when re-classified according to the novel SICMF-SIPMO recommendations? OUR EXPERIENCE

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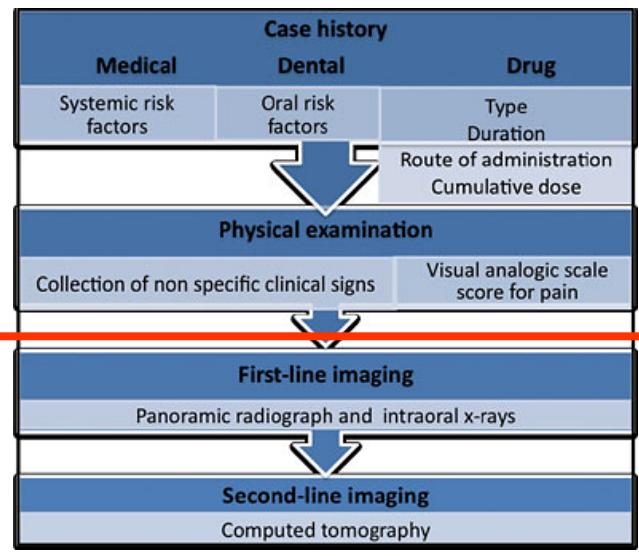
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# BRONJ: Bisphosphonates Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaws



## Proposal of definition and staging system 2012

*"BRONJ is an adverse drug reaction described as the progressive destruction and death of bone that affects the mandible or maxilla of patients exposed to the treatment with nitrogen-containing bisphosphonates, in the absence of a previous radiation treatment" [1].*



### Major clinic sign

Necrotic bone exposure in oral cavity

#### Minor clinical signs and symptoms

Abscess  
Displaced mandibular stumps  
Extra-oral fistula  
Gross mandible deformity  
Hypoesthesia/paraesthesia of the lips<sup>a</sup>  
Mucosal/gingival fistula  
Nasal leakage of fluids  
Nasopharyngeal posttraumatic socket

**Table 2** Non-specific computed tomography (CT) findings associated with bisphosphonate-related osteonecrosis of the jaws (BRONJ)

Early signs	Late signs
Cortical disruption	Diffuse osteosclerosis <sup>b</sup>
Focal bone marrow sclerosis <sup>a</sup>	Oro-antral fistula
Markedly thickened and sclerotic lamina dura	Osteolysis extending to the sinus floor
Persisting alveolar socket	Osteosclerosis of adjacent bones (zygoma, hard palate)
Trabecular thickening <sup>a</sup>	Pathologic fracture
	Periosteal reaction
Sequestra formation	Prominence of the inferior alveolar nerve canal
	Sinusitis

[1] Bedogni, A et al. (2012). Learning from experience. Proposal of a refined definition and staging system for bisphosphonate-related osteonecrosis of the jaw (BRONJ). *Oral Dis* 18(6): 621-623

# SICMF SIPMO Staging System – SS-SS

(Clinical-radiological stadiation of BRONJ )

## Stage 1

### **FOCAL**

**CLINICAL SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:** bone exposure; sudden dental mobility; nonhealing postextraction socket; mucosal fistula; swelling; abscess formation; trismus; gross mandibular deformity and/or hypoesthesia/paraesthesia of the lips

**CT FINDINGS:** increased bone density limited to the **alveolar bone** region (trabecular thickening and/or focal osteosclerosis), with or without the following signs: markedly thickened and sclerotic lamina dura; persisting alveolar socket; and/or cortical disruption

**1a.** Asymptomatic

**1b.** Symptomatic (pain and purulent discharge)

## Stage 2

### **DIFFUSE**

**CLINICAL SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:** same as Stage 1

**CT FINDINGS:** increased bone density extended to the **basal bone** (diffuse osteosclerosis), with or without the following signs: prominence of the inferior alveolar nerve canal; periosteal reaction; sinusitis; sequestra formation; and/or oro-antral fistula

**2a.** Asymptomatic

**2b.** Symptomatic (pain and purulent discharge)

## Stage 3

### **COMPLICATED**

Same as Stage 2, with one or more of the following:

**CLINICAL SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:** extra-oral fistula; displaced mandibular stumps; nasal leakage of fluids

**CT FINDINGS:** **osteosclerosis of adjacent bones** (zygoma, hard palate); pathologic mandibular **fracture**; and/or osteolysis extending to the **sinus floor**

# BRONJ: Bisphosphonates Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaws

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*"Patients may be considered to have BRONJ if all of the following three characteristics are present:*

1. *Current or previous treatment with a bisphosphonate;*
2. *Exposed bone in the maxillofacial region that has persisted for more than 8 weeks*
3. *No history of radiation therapy to the jaws."* [1].

[1] Ruggiero SL et al. AAOMS position paper on bisphosphonate-related osteonecrosis of the jaws--2009 update. *J Oral Maxillofac Surg.* 2009 May;67(5):2-12.

## AAOMS Staging System – (AAOMS-SS) (Clinical stadiation of BRONJ/MRONJ)

<b>At risk category</b>	No apparent necrotic bone in patients who have been treated with either oral or IV bisphosphonates
<b>Stage 0</b>	<b>Non exposed bone variant</b> No clinical evidence of necrotic bone, but non-specific clinical findings, radiographic changes and symptoms
<b>Stage 1</b>	Exposed and necrotic bone, or fistulae that probes to bone, in patients who are asymptomatic and have no evidence of infection
<b>Stage 2</b>	Exposed and necrotic bone, or fistulae that probes to bone, associated with infection as evidenced by pain and erythema in the region of the exposed bone with or without purulent drainage
<b>Stage 3</b>	Exposed and necrotic bone or a fistula that probes to bone in patients with pain, infection, and one or more of the following: exposed and necrotic bone extending beyond the region of alveolar bone,(i.e., inferior border and ramus in the mandible, maxillary sinus and zygoma in the maxilla) resulting in pathologic fracture, extra-oral fistula, oral antral/oral nasal communication, or osteolysis extending to the inferior border of the mandible or sinus floor

## POSITION PAPER 2014

*"...associated with other antiresorptive (denosumab) and antiangiogenic therapies" [2].*

[2] Ruggiero et al. Medication osteonecrosis of the jaws- update 2014.  
([http://www.aaoms.org/docs/position\\_papers/mronj\\_position\\_paper.pdf?pdf=MRONJ-Position-Paper](http://www.aaoms.org/docs/position_papers/mronj_position_paper.pdf?pdf=MRONJ-Position-Paper))

## Medication Related Osteo Necrosis of the Jaw

**any stage according SS-SS**

**STAGE 1a according SS-SS**

**STAGE 1b according SS-SS**

**STAGE 2a, 2b and 3  
according SS-SS**

- 1. Abolition of stage “0”**
- 2. Description of three stages (1–3) based on clinical and CT findings**
- 3. Pain and purulent discharge are no longer used to distinguish between different disease stages (to avoid the “ping pong” effect).**
- 4. The presence of clinically detectable sequestra is no longer regarded as a sign of complicated disease**

# Aim of the study:

To re-classify BRONJ cases in order to evaluate the diagnostic efficiency of the novel staging system and to define the most adequate managements accordingly.

## Method:

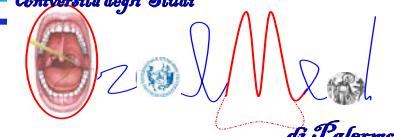
A retrospective database analysis of BRONJ cases observed at the Sector of Oral Medicine-University of Palermo from 2005 to 2012 was performed.

The patients previously classified according 2009 AAOMS staging system (AAOMS-SS) were reclassified according 2012 SICMF-SIPMO staging system (SS-SS).

**93 patients  
(mean age 69 yy ± 7 yy)**

 **27**       **66**

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# Results

## 1. RE-CLASSIFICATION

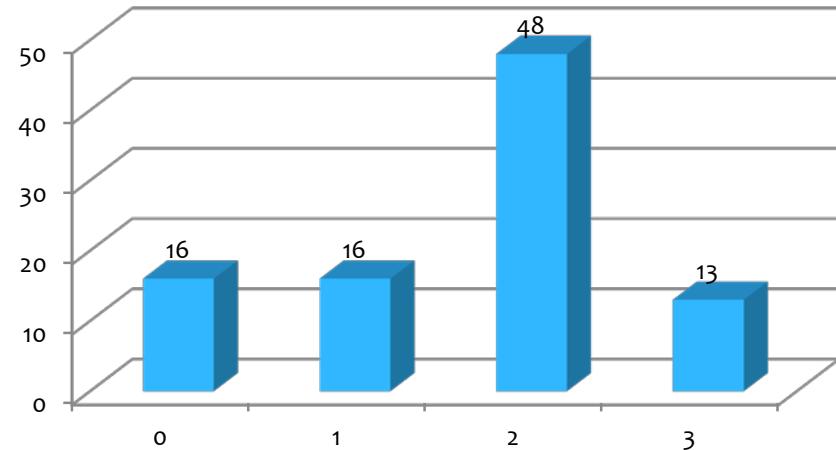
### AAOMS - SS

- \* stage **0**: 16/93 (17.2%)
- \* stage **1**: 16/93 (17.2%)
- \* stage **2**: 48/93 (51.6%)
- \* stage **3**: 13/93 (14%)

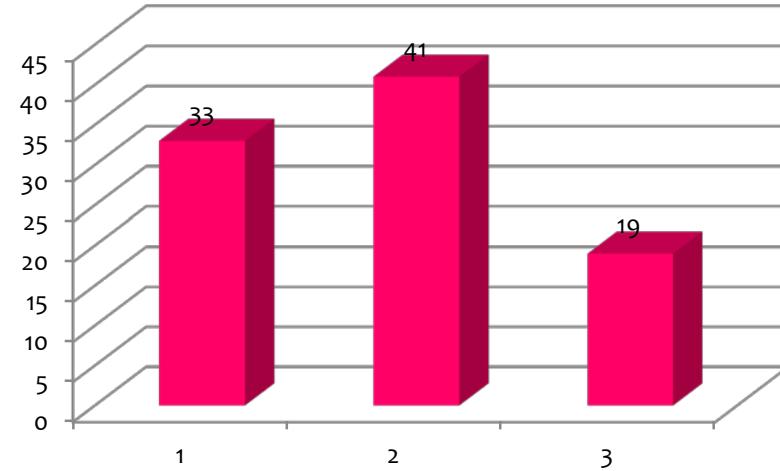
### SICMF SIPMO – SS

- \* stage **1**: 33/93 (35.5%)
  - \* **1 a**: 10/33
  - \* **1 b**: 23/33
- \* stage **2**: 41/93 (44.1%)
  - \* **2 a**: 8/41
  - \* **2b**: 33/41
- \* stage **3**: 19/93 (20.4%)

Staging system AAOMS 2009



Staging system SICMF SIPMO 2012

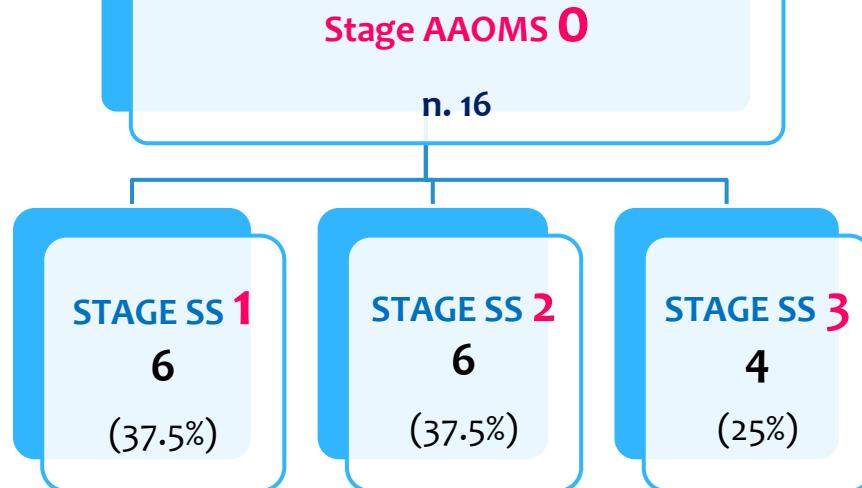


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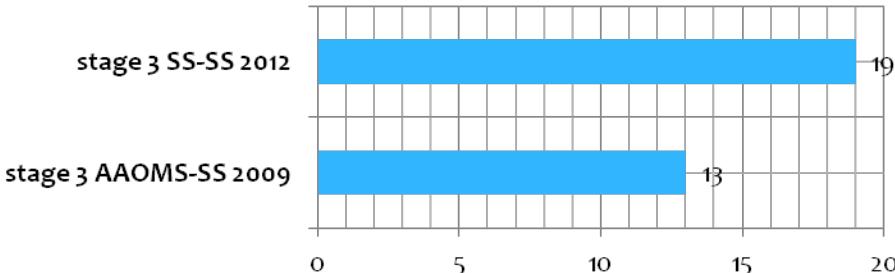
## 2. RE-DISTRIBUTION EX «STAGE 0»

### AAOMS-SS

The 16 cases previously classified as “**stage 0**” according **AAOMS-SS**, were reclassified according SS-SS as following:

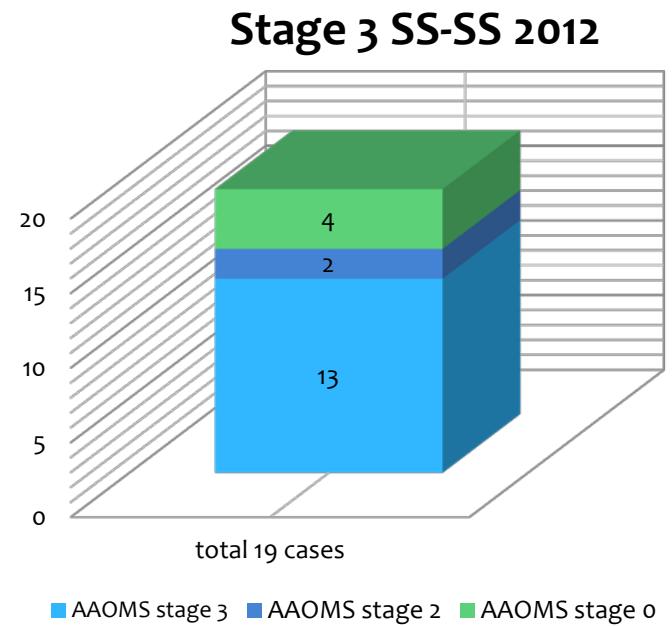


## 3. COMPOSITION OF «STAGE 3» SS-SS



The **new 6 cases** classified as “**stage 3**” according **SS-SS**, were previously classified according AAOMS-SS as following:

- \* stage 0: 4/16 (25%)
- \* stage 2: 2/16 (12.5%)



## Case # 1



## AAOMS Staging System 2009

(*Clinical stadiation of BRONJ*)

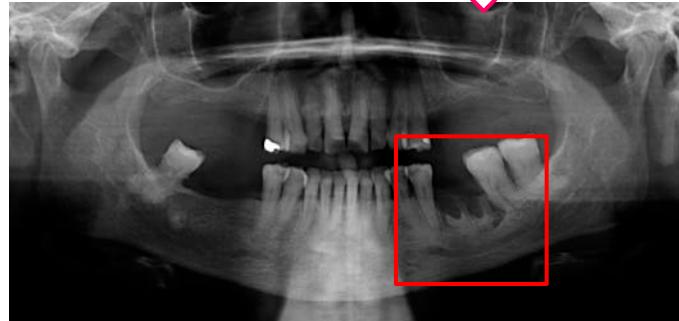
### Stage 0

Non exposed bone variant

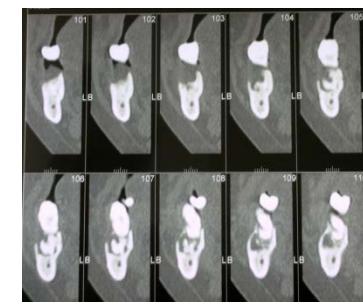
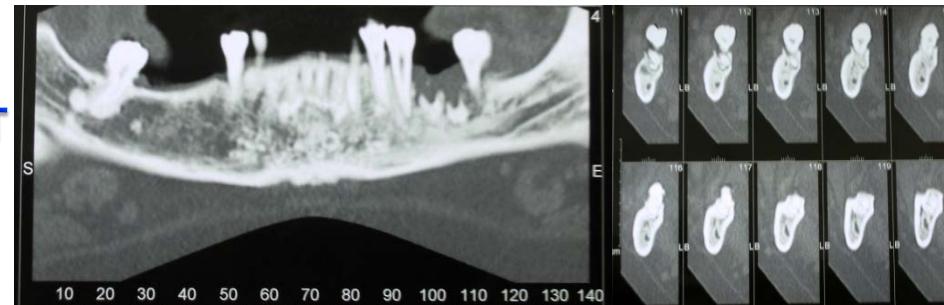
No clinical evidence of necrotic bone, but non-specific clinical findings, radiographic changes and symptoms

**AFTER INTEGRATION WITH RADIOLOGIC SIGNS**

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## SICMF SIPMO Staging System – SS-SS

(*Clinical-radiological stadiation of BRONJ*)

### Stage 2

**Diffuse BRONJ**

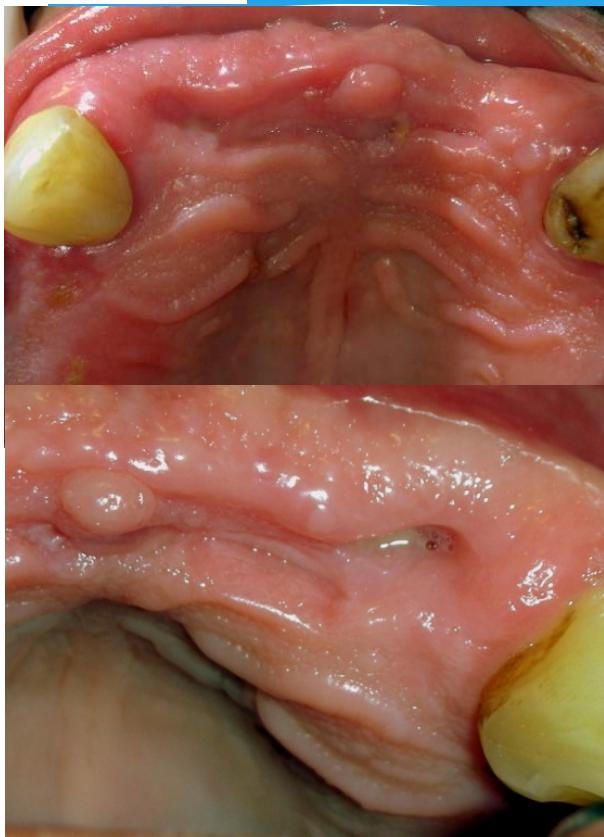
Clinical signs and symptoms: same as Stage 1

CT findings: increased bone density extended to the basal bone (diffuse osteosclerosis), with or without the following signs: prominence of the inferior alveolar nerve canal; periosteal reaction; sinusitis; sequestra formation; and/or oro-antral fistula

2a. Asymptomatic

**STAGE 2A  
(DIFFUSE BRONJ)**

## Case # 2



## AAOMS Staging System 2009

(*Clinical stadiation of BRONJ*)

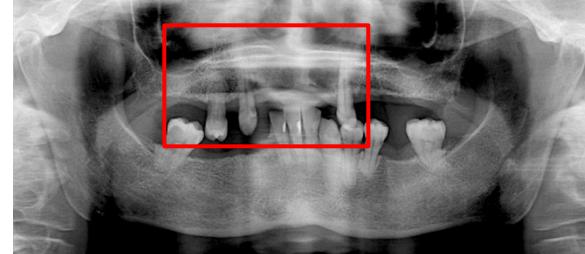
### Stage 0

#### Non exposed bone variant

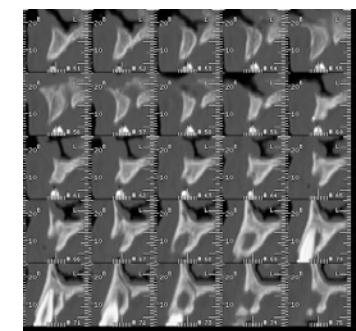
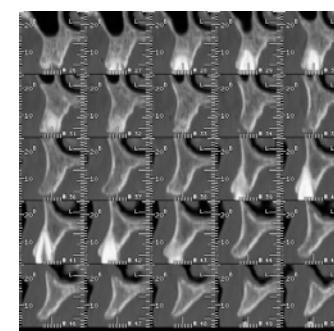
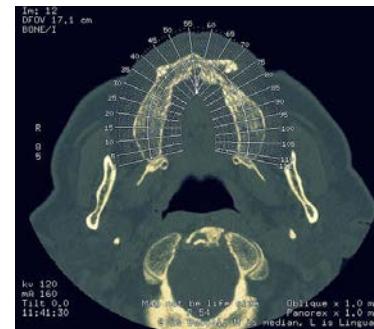
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AFTER INTEGRATION WITH RADIOLOGIC SIGNS

OPT



CT



## SICMF SIPMO Staging System – SS-SS

(*Clinical-radiological stadiation of BRONJ*)

### Stage 3

#### Complicated BRONJ

Same as Stage 2, with one or more of the following:

**Clinical signs and symptoms:** extra-oral fistula; displaced mandibular stumps; nasal leakage of fluids

**CT findings:** osteosclerosis of adjacent bones (zygoma, hard palate); pathologic mandibular fracture; and/or osteolysis extending to the sinus floor

**STAGE 3  
(COMPLICATED  
BRONJ)**

# Conclusions

What happens to the BRONJ patients when re-classified according to the novel SICMF-SIPMO recommendations?  
OUR EXPERIENCE

... and in  
multicentric  
study?

## 1. UNDERESTIMATION OF NON-EXPOSED DIFFUSE / COMPLICATED BRONJs WITH AAOMS-SS

After the re-classification, a large quote of BRONJ cases (**>60%**) previously underestimated as “stage 0”, was properly diagnosed as diffuse-complicated cases.

## 2. SS-SS ANTICIPATE BRONJ DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY

According to our experience, the updated staging system provides important clinical benefits, such as **anticipating BRONJ diagnosis, performing therapies earlier and adequate to the correct staging, in order to increase treatment effectiveness.**



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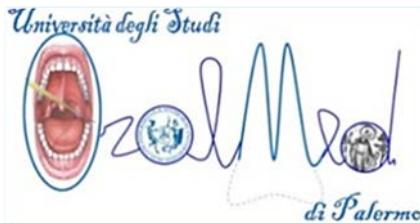
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