

# TOPic Of The Day:

## PHOTODYNAMIC TREATMENT (PDT)

*As the regional leader in thoracic oncology care, University Hospital offers the only Photodynamic Therapy (PDT) program in the Syracuse area.*

### **PHOTODYNAMIC THERAPY (PDT) IS INDICATED FOR:**

Reduction of obstruction and palliation of symptoms in patients with completely or partially obstructing tracheal or endobronchial tumor

Treatment of carcinoma-in-situ or microinvasive lung cancer in patients for whom surgery and radiotherapy are not indicated.

Palliation of patients with partially or completely obstructing esophageal cancer

Ablation of high-grade dysplasia in Barrett's esophagus patients who do not undergo esophagectomy.

### **PDT Advantages:**

Almost immediate improvement in breathing or swallowing

Minimally invasive, outpatient procedure

Minimal, if any, damage to surrounding, normal tissue

Minimal or no scarring

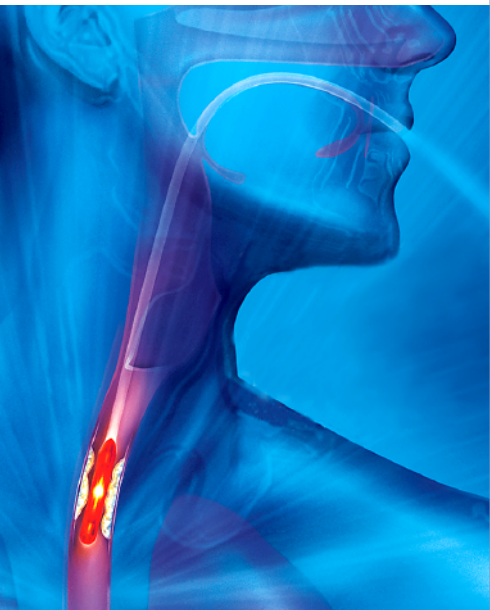
Does not inhibit other cancer therapies, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy

Side effects generally limited to photosensitivity for 30 days after treatment

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If you would like more information about Photodynamic Therapy (PDT) at University Hospital, call MD Direct, 800-544-1605



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University Hospital...  
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**TEAM APPROACH** to treating thoracic cancers — including lung cancer, esophageal cancer, mesothelioma, mediastinal tumors, thymoma, malignant pleural effusion and cancers metastatic to the chest.

**ONE APPOINTMENT CONVENIENCE** for patients to meet with **specialists from:** Thoracic Surgery, Medical Oncology, Radiation Oncology, Pulmonary Medicine and Thoracic Radiology.

**PERIODIC UPDATES** on University Hospital's treatment options for your thoracic oncology patients at the **region's only academic medical center.**

If you would like more information on **management of pleural effusion** please contact us at MD Direct, 800-544-1605.

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