

#### High-cost Technology in Radiation Oncology: A value judgment



**Benefit** 

#### **Complexity & Cost**

# **CONVENTIONAL RADIATION**



Conventional RT Beam Uniform Beam Intensity squares / rectangles

#### THERAPEUTIC RATIO

#### CURE CANCER WITHOUT INCURRING SIDE EFFECT



#### TUMOR CONTROL PROBABILITY >1 NORMAL TISSUE TOXICITY



TCP and NTCP curves are sigmoid in shape. The purpose of treatment is to move the TCP curve to the left and the NTCP curve to the right. The therapeutic index (= therapeutic window increases if the region the between two curves becomes large, and the expected benefit from treatment increases



#### **CONFORMAL RADIATION**

#### Conventional open field









3 D CRT with MLC

Uniform Beam Intensity



# **CTV** Delineation

- Low Risk CTV: Consists volume at risk of potential microscopic disease spread at the time of diagnosis. Typically treated to a dose of 50 -55 Gy.
- Intermediate Risk CTV: Major risk of local recurrence in areas that correspond to significant macroscopic extent of disease. which corresponds to a dose of at least 60 Gy.
- High Risk CTV: Gross Disease.Dose to be delivered as high as possible (>/=70 Gy) and appropriate to eradicate all residual macroscopic tumour.





ME = 45-48 Gy MX = 50Gy



1Gy



# FLUENCE

Fluence referes to the number of "particles" incident on an unit area (m<sup>-2</sup>)



#### What exactly is IMRT?

A TYPE OF PRECISSION RADIOTHERAPY WHERE BEAM INTENSITY MODULATED TO ACHIEVE A HIGHLY CONFORMAL DOSE DISTRIBUTION IN THE TARGET VOLUME



# COMMON RADIATION MODALITIES

- CONVENTIONAL RADIOTHERAPY
- GEOMETRIC FIELD SHAPING:-3DCRT
- GEOMETRIC FIELD SHAPING+MODULATION OF THE INTENSITY OF THE FLUENCE:- IMRT

 GEOMETRIC FIELD SHAPING+MODULATION OF THE INTENSITY OF THE FLUENCE+IMAGE GUIDANCE:-IGRT

# **IMRT FACTS**

#### Better normal tissue sparing



#### **Dose escalation**

Better conformality

#### **STEPS IN IMRT**



# PT POSITIOING,IMMOBILIZATION



# **IMAGE ACQUISITION**







#### **CT SIMULATOR**

- WIDE BORE(75-85cm)
- FLAT COUCH
- LASER SYSTEM(Intrnal as well as externalnlaser)
- WORK STATION



#### **IMAGE ACQUISITION**

- MOSTLY BY CT SIMULATION
- PT IS IN TREATMENT POSITION
- USE IMMOBILIZATION.
- PUT FIDUCIAL AT PRESUMED ISOCENTRE(needed for cordinate Transformation for image registration)
- GENERATE TOPOGRAM:-For patient allignment, area to be scanned.
- FOV is selected to permit visualization of the external contour
- IMAGE ACQUIZITION:-3 TO 5 MM CUTS.
- IMAGE & DATA TRANSFER TO TPS

#### **TREATMENT PLANNING SYSTEM**

- IMAGE REGISTRATION
- IMAGE SEGMENTATION
- VIRTUAL SIMULATION
- DOSE CALCULATION
- PLAN EVALUATION
- DATA STORAGE
- DATA TRANSFER TO CONSOLE
- TREATMENT CERIFICATION

#### WHY IMAGE REGISTRATION

TO DEFINE THE TARGET VOLUME
FUSION:- BETTER ASSESS THE ANATOMY AS WELL AS PHYSIOLOGY
ORGAN MOTION STUDY
3D CT+ ORGAN MOTION= 4D CT
ANALYSIS OF DOSE DISTRIBUTION



# **IMAGE SEGMENTATION**

An image segmentation is the partition of an image into a set of regions whose union is the entire image.



# TARGET VOLUME

#### VOLUME/MARGIN

#### REFERENCE POINT AND COORDINATE SYSTEM (1)



# Organ at Risk (ICRU 62)



Normal critical structures whose radiation sensitivity may significantly influence treatment planning and/or prescribed dose. Each organ is made up of a functional subunit (FSU)

## DRR

DRR IS THE ARTIFICIAL VERSION
 OF AN X-RAY IMAGE .COMPUTED
 FROM CT DATA

TWO DIMENSIONAL IMAGE SIMULATING NORMAL X-RAY/FLUOROSCOPIC IMAGE.

**USE TO DESIGN TREATMENT PORTAL** 

VERIFICATION OF TREATMENT PORTAL



# BEAMS EYE VIEW, ROOM EYE



VIEW THE GEOMETRIC COVERAGE OF TARGET VOLUME IDENTIFY MOST SUITABLE GANTRYCOLLIMATOR,COUCH ANGLE DESIGN OF SHIELDING,MLC

UNDERSTAND THE OVERALL TREATMENT GEOMETRY

# Planning

#### **Forward Planning**

From field definition to dose distribution

T/t parameters

**Dose calculation** 

**Dose distribution** 

Dose delivery with uniform radiation intensity

#### **Inverse Planning**

From dose distribution to field definition

Dose delivery with nonuniform radiation intensity

leaf sequence generation

optimization

T/t goals ( objective function )

#### FORWARD Vs INVERSE PLANNING





### **OPTIMISZATION**

Refers to the technique of finding the best physical and technically possible treatment plan to fulfill the specified physical and clinical criteria

- Physical Optimization Criteria:
- Based on physical dose coverage

Biological Optimization
 Criteria: Based on TCP
 and NTCP calculation

A total objective function (score) is then derived from these criteria



### DVH

#### Differential DVH

- Represents exact volume of tissue receiving that particular dose.
- Histogram of frequency with which each dose occurs.

#### Cumulative DVH:

- Plot of entire volume of anatomical structure specified dose or higher dose.
- More useful and commonly used.







# PLAN EVALUATION

Cl is employed when the PTV is completely enclosed by the Treated volume.

**Quotient of treated volume and PTV.** 

Absorbed dose distribution

Homogenous dose distribution through out the PTV is desirable.

Inhomogeneity should be within + 7 % and - 5 % of the prescription dose

Maximum dose (Dmax):

Maximum dose to the PTV and to the tissues outside the PTV and to OAR should be identified.

A volume is considered significant only if its minimum diameter exceeds 15mm

Hot spots:

Volume outside the PTV receiving dose higher than 100% of the specified PTV dose.A volume is considered significant only if its minimum diameter exceeds 15mm

#### PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

BEAM PARAMETERS
MLC PARAMETERS
DRR GENERATION
TRANSFER DATA

# **PLAN VERIFICATION**
#### **IMRT DELIVERY TECHNIQUE**

- Physical compensator & conformal blocks
- MLC based system
  - segmented MLC (SMLC) step & shoot
  - dynamic MLC (DMLC) sliding window
- IMAT Intensity modulated arc therapy
- Tomotherapy
- IMRT with robotic arm

#### **Revolution Continues**

Varian *Trilogy* 

# Image Guided IMRT

**IMRT** 

#### IGRT

#### TIGHT MARGIN

#### GEOGRAPHICAL MISS





INTER AND INTRA FRACTION ORGAN MOTION

#### PERIODIC PHYSICAL MOMENT

BREATHING, CARDIAC MOTION

RANDOM PHYSIOLOGICAL MOVEMENT

SWALLOWING,COUGH

PT SET UP ERROR

PATIENT MOTION WEIGHT LOSS

#### Image Guided Radiotherapy (IGRT)

#### **Organ Motion**

- Interfraction
  - motion occurs between fractions and primarily is related to changes in patient localization
- Intrafraction
  - motion occurs during fractions and <u>primarily is related to</u> <u>respiration</u>

Table 1 Anatomic "Motions" and the Timescale at Which They Occur

Day to day	Skin motion	Nonpredictable
Hour to hour	Prostate motion	Nonpredictable
Minute to minute	Bladder filling	Predictable
	Neck flex	Nonpredictable
Second to second	Respiration	Predictable
	Heartbeat	Predictable
	Peristalsis	Nonpredictable

Van Herk M. Semin Radiat Oncol 2007: 17: 258-267

#### **Tumor Motion During Respiration**

• All tumor motion is complex



#### IGRT

•Planar X ray based

EPID

Cyber knife

•Volumetric

TIGHT

MARGIN

AL MISS

GEOGRAPHIC

CT on rails

Tomotherapy

MV cone beam CT

KV cone beam CT

•Video based

Real Time video guided IMRT

• Ultrasound based

BAT

#### INTER & INTRA FRACTION ORGAN MOTION

#### PT SETUP ERROR

#### Electronic portal imaging (EPID)

Verification of patient setup

Uses 6 MV beam to acquire image.

Take one AP and one LAT field for setup verification

The position error is determined using a daily treatment radiographic image and a reference radiographic image digital reconstructed radiographic (DRR) image created in treatment planning



#### 2D KV imaging: on-board imagers

- Two arms with kV x-ray tube, flat-panel imager
- Plain radiographs/fluoroscopic
- kV contrast is superior to MV imaging
- Orthogonal portal images can be acquired without gantry rotation for AP and Lat online patient setup or KV/KV image pair



#### In-room kV 2D x-ray imaging:

- Diagnostic x-ray tube on the axis of source rotation, but at an angle of 30° to 45°ffconnthleeNW/ssource
- Dual x-ray sources and fluoroscopic image intensifiers mounted in the floor and ceiling
- These systems use surrogate markers for actual tissue anatomy



#### **kV CT: In-room conventional CT or CT-on-Rails**

 CT scanner is mounted at the end of the linac couch and a 180-degree couch rotation, with the patient on couch, is then required before treatment

#### Tomotherapy : Helical MVCT







#### kV-CB CT On-board imager

- Radiography, fluoroscopy, and CBCT
- Large flat-panel imager
- kV x-ray tube mounted on a retractable arm at 90 degrees to the treatment beam line
- Cone-beam CT reconstruction acquiring multiple kV radiographs as the gantry rotates through at least 180 degrees





# Fiducial Tracking Gold seeds 5.0 mm x 0.9-1.2 mm

#### **IGRT:** with fiducials or CBCT



# **Respiratory Tracking System**





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# Accounting for Intrafraction Motion

Respiratory gating techniques
 Active breathing control (ABC)
 Dynamic tumor tracking/4D radiotherapy
 Abdominal compression?

# **RESPIRATORY GATING**





### **Respiration Gating with RPM**

- RPM is a external gating system
- System consists of an infra-red camera that is mounted to the foot of the CT
- Markers block containing 2 reflectors.
- The marker block was placed on the patient's skin in the abdominal region
- Surrogate signal = abdominal surface motion correlation to tumor motion
- The x-ray on signal from the CT scanner was recorded synchronously with the respiration signal



Real-time position Management system (RPM)



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#### Moving Tumor Breath Hold

# **ACTIVE BREATHING COORDINATOR (ABC)**

- Temporarily immobilizes patient's breathing
- The inspiration and expiration paths of airflow are closed at a predetermined flow direction





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# 4D Radiotherapy Delivery



MCV setup for 4D Radiotherapy

#### Principle of 4D scanning



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Moving Tumor Tracking with CyberKnife



#### Synchrony<sup>™</sup> Respiratory Tracking System

- Synchrony camera
- Synchrony tracking markers
- Fiber optic sensing technology
- Tracks patient's respiratory motion





# HEAD AND NECK CANCER



## **Rationale of IMRT in H & N Cancer**

- Anatomically complex H&N region an ideal option - IMRT.
- Lack of organ motion in the H&N region
    *an ideal region for IMRT.*
- Allows for dose escalation
   *concomitant boost ideal for H&N*

# Impact of PET-CT in H & N Cancer

Author using	Patients g PET	Change of GTV	Increase in GTV	Decrea in GTV	ise Remarks
Rahn, 1998	22(prim)	41%	41%	0%	No image fusion
	12(recur)	58%	58%	0%	
Nishioka, 2002 fusion	21	71%	0%	71%	PET/CT/MRI
Ciernik, 2003	12	50%	17%	33%	Integrated PET-CT
Daisne, 2004	29	93%	18%	75%	CT-PET image fusion
Paulino, 2005	40	100%	_	-	PET/CT/MRI and
image fusion		surg	ical specimen		

#### Changes in Anatomy during course of Rx

#### **Planning CT**



**Three Weeks into RT** 



Barker et al. IJROBP 59:960, 2004 & Lei Dong et al. (MDACC)

#### Anatomical modifications during radiotherapy

Author	No. of Patients	Per-Treatment Imaging	Image Registration	Volume Analysis	Shape and Positional Analysis
Barker et al (2004) <sup>6</sup>	14	In-room CT-on-rail 3 times/wk; no iv contrast	Rigid	Reduction of: • GTV: 1.8% per treatment day • PGs: 0.6%/treatment day	GTV: COM displacement: 3.3 mm (asymmetric shrinkage) PG: COM shift medially by 3.1 mm
Geets et al (2007) <sup>50</sup>	10	CT scan at mean doses of 14, 25, 35, and 45 Gy; iv contrast	Rigid	After a mean dose of 45 Gy: • GTV <sub>T</sub> : mean decrease of 65.5% • High dose CTV <sub>T</sub> : mean decrease of 50.9% • High dose PTV <sub>T</sub> : mean decrease of 47.9%	NA
Han et al (2008) <sup>43</sup>	5	Daily helical MVCT	Rigid	At the end of treatment: PGs had decreased from 20.5 to 13.2 cm <sup>3</sup> , ie, an average decrease of 0.21 cm <sup>3</sup> /treatment day or 1,1%/treatment day	NA
Vasquez Osorio et al (2008) <sup>51</sup>	10	CT scan at 46 Gy; iv contrast	Deformable	Reduction after 46 Gy: • GTV: 25 15% • Homolat PG: 17 7% • Heterolat PG: 5 4% • Homolat SMG: 20 10% • Heterolat SMG: 11 7%	After 46 Gy: • Lateral and inferior regions of homolat PG: medial and posterior shift (3 mm) • Homolat SMG: medial, cranial, and posterior shift (4 mm)
Hansen et al (2006) <sup>52</sup>	13	CT scan after a mean dose of 38 Gy	Rigid	Reduction: GTV: no change Right PG: 15.6% Left PG: 21.5%	NA
Robar et al (2007) <sup>53</sup>	15	Weekly CT scans; no iv constrast	Rigid	Reduction of supercial regions of both PGs: 4.9%/wk	Supercial regions show medial translation of: left PGs: medial shift of 0.91 0.9 mm/wk right PGs: medial shift of 0.78 0.13 mm/wk
Castadot et al (2008)	10	CT scan at mean doses of 14, 25, 35, and 45 Gy; iv contrast	Deformable	Reduction of • GTV <sub>T</sub> : 3.2%/treatment day • GTV <sub>N</sub> : 2.1%/treatment day • Homolateral PG: 0.9%/treatment day • Heterolat PG: 1.0%/treatment day • Low dose homolat CTV <sub>N</sub> : 0.5%/ treatment day • low dose heterolat CTV <sub>N</sub> : 0.4%/ treatment day	After 5 treatment wks: • Homolat PG: medial shift of 3.4 mm • GTV <sub>T</sub> : lateral shift of 1.3 mm • GTV <sub>N</sub> : medial shift of 0.9 mm • Low dose homolat CTV <sub>N</sub> : medial shift of 1.8 mm No shift for the heterolat PG and heterolat low dose CTV <sub>N</sub> .

CT, computerized tomography: GTV, gross tumor volume: CTV, clinical target volume; PTV, planning target volume; PG, parotid gland; COM,

#### Dosimetric effect of Anotomical modifications during radiation

therapy

Author	No. of Patients	Per-Treatment Imaging	Image Registration	Results	Comments
O'Daniel et al (2007) <sup>44</sup>	11	In-room CT-on-rail scans twice/wk; no iv contrast	Deformable	Cumulative PG dose greater than planned; median dose increase: 1 Gy No impact on tumor dose coverage	If no image-guidance for daily setup error correction, cumulative PG dose greater than planned; median dose increase: 3 Gy for homolat PG and 1 Gy for heterolat PG
Hansen et al (2006) <sup>52</sup>	13	CT scan after a mean dose of 38 Gy	Rigid	<ul> <li>High dose PTV D<sub>99</sub>, D<sub>85</sub>, V<sub>93%</sub> decreased by 12.1, 12.2 Gy, and 7%, respectively</li> <li>Low dose PTV D<sub>99</sub>, D<sub>95</sub>, V<sub>93%</sub> decreased by 12.6, 11.3 Gy, and 8.2%, respectively</li> <li>Right PG V<sub>20Gy</sub> increased by 10.9%</li> <li>Mandible V<sub>80Gy</sub> increased by 7.2%</li> </ul>	If replanning; signicant improvement of: • Low and high dose PTVs D <sub>30</sub> D <sub>35</sub> and V <sub>50%</sub> . • Spinal cord D <sub>max</sub> . D <sub>160</sub> • Brainstem D <sub>max</sub> • Right parotid PG D <sub>mean</sub> , D <sub>50</sub> , and V <sub>280y</sub> • Mandible D <sub>max</sub> and V <sub>60Gy</sub>
Robar et al (2007) <sup>53</sup>	15	Weekly CT scan; no iv contrast	NA	Left PG D <sub>mean</sub> increased by 2.6 $\pm$ 4.3%. V <sub>26Cy</sub> increased by 3.5 $\pm$ 5.2% Right PG D <sub>mean</sub> increased by 0.2 $\pm$ 4.0%, V <sub>26Cy</sub> increased by 0.3 $\pm$ 4.7%	
Han et al (2008) <sup>43</sup>	5	Daily helical MVCT	Rigid	PG D <sub>median</sub> increased from 0.83 to 1.42 Gy with an average increase rate of 0.17 Gy/treatment day corresponding to an average increase of 2.2%/treatment day	Strong correlation between the volume and the median parotid dose during the treatment (correlation coefcient, - 0.95)
Lee et al (2008) <sup>56</sup>	10	Daily helical MVCT	Deformable	<ul> <li>PG daily D<sub>mean</sub> differed from the planned dose by an average of 15%</li> <li>PG cumulative D<sub>mean</sub>: planned: 29.7 Gy actual: 32.7 Gy (110% of planned dose)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Changes in the distance between the COMs of the left and right PGs correlated strongly with the mean parotid dose changes (R<sup>2</sup>= 0.8</li> <li>Correlation between the relative weight loss and higher parotid mean doses</li> </ul>
Castadot et al (2009)	10	CT scan at mean doses of 14, 25, 35, and 45 Gy; iv contrast	Deformable	<ul> <li>PGs D<sub>mean</sub>: planned: 17.9 Gy. actual 18.7 Gy</li> <li>SMGs D<sub>mean</sub>: planned 51.9 Gy. actual: 52.8 Gy</li> <li>OC D<sub>mean</sub>: planned 26.0 Gy. actual 26.7 Gy</li> <li>SC D<sub>2</sub>: planned 40.1 Gy. actual: 41.0 Gy</li> <li>Skin V<sub>00</sub>: planned 17.2 Gy. actual 18.3 Gy</li> <li>No difference in PTV or CTV coverage</li> </ul>	0.50

OC, oral cavity; SC, spinal cord; D<sub>x</sub>, dose to x% of the volume; D<sub>max</sub>, maximum dose; D<sub>toc</sub>, dose to 1 cc.; D<sub>mean</sub>, mean dose; D<sub>meden</sub>, dose to 50% of the volume; V<sub>x</sub>, volume receiving a dose of x Gy or x% of the prescribed dose.
## Table 1. Locoregional Control After IMRT for Head and Neck Cancer

			RT		Follow-Up (months)		Control		
Study	No. of Patients	Primary Site	Definitive	Postoperative	Median	Range	Local (%)	Regional (%)	Interval (years)
Chao et al <sup>19</sup>	126	Various	52	74	26	12-55		85	2
Lee et al <sup>6</sup>	67	NPX	67	0	31	7-72	/	98	4
Chao et al <sup>20</sup>	74	OPX	31	43	33	9-60		87	4
Eisbruch et al <sup>+21</sup>	133	Various, non-NPX	60	73	32	6-107		82	3
Kam et al <sup>33</sup>	63	NPX	63	0	29	845	92	98	3
Kwong et al <sup>34</sup>	33	NPX	33	0	29	11-42	100	92	3

Abbreviations: IMRT, intensity-modulated radiotherapy; RT, radiotherapy; NPX, nasopharynx; OPX, oropharynx. \*Patients treated from 1994 to 2002; three-dimensional conformal radiotherapy was used before 1996, and IMRT thereafter.

# IMRT Vs. Conventional RT in Head & Neck

Lee NY, 2006 Compa	arative I	rial	
Patients – 112		+++	++++
 Disease Control		+++	+++
CVRT	- 71	85%	
	- 41	95%	
Toxicity	$\vdash$		+++
Died of toxicity CVRT	-3,	IMRT +	Vone
Gastrostomy CVRT	- 21%,	IMRT –	4%
Survival			
CVRT (3 yrs)		76%	$\land$
IMRT (3 yrs)		82%	

# XEROSTOMIA

## Phase III trial

### Kam et al, JCO-2007





# **HN CANCER**



Do you have trouble speaking due to dry mouth? (p < 0.001)



Van Rij et al (Radiation Oncology 2008)

### atient position and parotid dose



#### Tomo vs IMRT (sequential)

#### [Fiorino et al, Rdiother.Oncol. 2006]

- 5 H&N pts

 – IMRT SS (5 fields, 10 levels) vs Tomo-a (same constraints used for IMRT) vs Tomo-b (stressed parotids and mandible sparing)

□ Better PTV coverage and homogeneity with Tomo: V95% : 90% (IMRT) – 96-97% (Tomo); Dmax: 60.3Gy (IMRT) – 57.4 Gy (Tomo-a) – 58.7 Gy (Tomo-b)

□ *Spinal cord Dmax reduction*: Dmax : 31.6 Gy (IMRT) – 26.5 Gy (Tomo-a) – 24.6 Gy (Tomo-b) (non stressed in the optimisation)

□ *Reduction of Parotid mean dose*: 26.1 Gy (IMRT) – 25.1 Gy (Tomoa) – 20.8 (Tomo-b)

□ *Mandible dose reduction*: 34.9 Gy (IMRT) – 34 Gy (Tomo-a) – 30.7 Gy (Tomo-b)

## IMRT:- WHAT HAS BEEN LEARNT

 IMRT IS FEASIBLE
 IMRT HAS GOOD LOCOREGIONAL CONTROL but NO SURVIVAL ADV
 IMRT ALLOWS PRESERVATION OF SALIVA, ESPECIALLY WITH MEAN DOSE </= 25 Gy</li>

# CARCINOMA PROSTATE



## **Disease characteristics**

		Stage	Gleason score	PSA (ng/ml)
Risk group	Low risk	T1-2a	2-6,and	<10
	Intermediate risk	T2b-2c, or	7,or	10-20
	High risk	T3a, or	8-10	>20
	Locally advanced	T3b-T4	any	Any
	metastatic	N1 and/or M1	any	any



## **Treatment volume**



T1c-T2a,Gleason score <6,PSA <10 ng/ml



If seminal vesicle involvement >15% = PSA + (GS - 6) ×10

whole	
relvis	
por	

Pelvis LN risk >15% (pertins table / Roach's formula Patient with suspisious pelvic LN

## Benefit of pelvis irradiation ? (randomized studies)



	Follow-up	Biochemical control	Toxicity
RTOG 94-13 ( <i>IJROBP 2007</i> )	6 years	No difference	Grade 3: < 3%
GETUG 01 (JCO 2007)	3.3 years	No difference	Grade 2-4 rectal and bladder toxicities not different

... RT of the pelvic lymph nodes = still debated

# CA PROSTATE



# WHY DOSE ESCALATION

- With dose 70Gy of conv. EBRT alone T2c-T4, 30-50% of patient develop local recurrence within 10yrs & majority will develop distant mets.
- Standard dose of RT doesn't have the capacity to completely eradicate the prostate disease in majority.
- Thus dose escalation is needed.

# **CA PROSTATE**

### Randomized studies showing the benefit of dose escalation

Standard dose (67-70 Gy)

R°

High dose (76-80 Gy)

	Local control Freedom from (negative biospy)		Freedom from clinical failure	Specific survival	
Shipley 1995	Gl 8: 19% vs 64%	No PSA available	NS Median folow-up	NS p = 10 years	
Pollack, Kuban 2000, 2002, 2008	72% vs 65% NS	PSA<10 NS PSA>10 p=0.012	7% vs 15% (p= 0.01)	P<0.05	
Zietman 2005	48% vs 67% (p<0.001)	61% vs 80% (p<0.001) including low risk group	NS	NS	
Dutch 2008	NS	45% vs 56% (p<0.001), mainly intermediate risk group	NS	NS	
GETUG 06 2010	NS	PSA>15 p=0.03	NS	NS	



# CA PROSTATE

IMRT decreases GI toxicity compared to 3DCRT (non randomized study)



Zelefsky, J Urol 2001

# RECTAL DISTENSION & PSA CONTROL



127 patients -3 D CRT - total dose of 78 Gy

• **Rectal distension** = average cross- sectional rectal area (**CSA**; defined as the rectal volume divided by length) and measuring three rectal diameters on the planning CT.

de Crevoisier et al. Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys. 2005; 62: 9

## **RECTAL DISTENSION & PSA CONTROL**



•Rectal distension decreased the probability of biochemical control, local control, and rectal toxicity in patients without daily IGRT

•Therefore, an empty rectum is warranted at the time of simulation.

•Emphasize the need of empty rectum for IGRT to improve LC

de Crevoisier et al. Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys. 2005; 62: 965-73

#### Benefit of IMRT in high dose prostate cancer radiotherapy (Rennes, France)

#### **Dosimetric benefit of IMRT**



# CA PROSTATE



----- 3D ---- IMRT

----- 30 ---- IMR.T

# TOXICITIES

- Conventional EBRT:- Grade 2/ higher rectal/ bladder morbidity; needs medication in 60%.
- The risk of complication increases when RT dose exceeds 70Gy.
- Rectal complication depends on % of rectum treated to 70Gy/ higher dose.
- Rectal complication increases with increased dose of radiation.
- IMRT reduces the incidence of acute & late rectal effect compared to 3DCRT but not acute & late urinary complication.
- At present time IMRT doesn't appear to significantly reduce the urinary symptoms compared to 3DCRT.
- With EBRT + Brachytherapy, the complication rates are high.

# CA CERVIX

## **IMRT** in gynaecological tumor



DOSIMETRIC benefit of IMRT ?

IMRT reduces the dose to the:

-small bowel

-rectum

-bladder

-bone marrow

-kidney

#### **DOSIMETRIC STUDY: standard 3DCRT versus IMRT**



#### **DOSIMETRIC STUDY: standard 3DCRT versus IMRT**



0.34

0.001

0.0002

0.0002

0.01

99.9 ± 0.2

 $94.5 \pm 4.2$ 

73.9 ± 9.7

 $57.7 \pm 13.8$ 

 $1.9 \pm 2.0$ 

 $100 \pm 0$ 

 $97.9 \pm 2.8$ 

 $91.9 \pm 4.9$ 

 $80.3\pm5.3$ 

 $0\pm 0$ 

30

40

45

50

### 36 gynecological tumor pts



## Small Bowel WPRT IM-WPRT

**DOSIMETRIC STUDY: standard 3DCRT versus IMRT** 

IMRT spares the small bowel

#### IMRT spares the bone marrow





Lower pelvic bone marrow

Dose (Gy)	BMS-IMRT	Four-field box	AP-PA	p (IMRT vs. four-field box)	p (IMRT vs. AP-PA
5	90.4	99.6	72.4	<0.05	<0.05
10	76.5	97.3	66.9	<0.05	<0.05
20	57.5	92.7	62.9	<0.05	<0.05
30	46.1	59.9	59.1	<0.05	<0.05
40	33.7	48.9	54.1	<0.05	<0.05

#### IMRT for gynecological tumor is sale. provides high local control and survival

#### Locally advanced cervical cancer

Non randomized study : 135 pts IMRT vs 317 pts 3D technique



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Kidd, IJROBP 2010



(p<0.001)

Roeske, IJROBP 2002

# **CA PANCREAS**

### **Clinical benefit of IMRT in pancreas**

46 pts with pancreatic cancer: IMRT (50.4 Gy) + concurrent chemo ((5-FU <u>+</u> capecitabine)

→ acute GI toxicity compared with those from RTOG 97-04 (3DCRT witout IMRT)

Toxicity	3-D conformal n (%)	IMRT n (%)	р
Nausea/vomiting			
Grade 0-2	402 (89)	46 (100)	0.016
Grade 3-4	49(11)	0(0)	
Diarrhea		13 10	
Grade 0-2	373 (83)	44 (96)	0.02
Grade 3-4	78 (17)	2 (4)	
Anorexia		17 28	
Grade 0-2	442 (98)	44 (96)	> 0.05
Grade 3-4	9(2)	2 (4)	

Yovino, IJROBP 2011

A randomized controlled trial of 300 patients comparing IMRT with standard wedged tangential fields at the Institute of Cancer Research and Royal Marsden Hospital.

Ref: Yarnold JR, Donovan EM, Reise S, et al. Randomized trial of standard 2D radiotherapy versus 3D intensity modulated radiotherapy in patients prescribed breast radiotherapy. Radiother Oncol 2002;65:(S15)64.

## WITH IMRT:

Dose inhomogeniety only in 4% of patients treated with IMRT Vs 70% of patients treated with standard techniques

- 25% reduction in the dose to the heart
- 42% reduction in the mean dose to the contralateral breast
- 30% reduction in the ipsilateral lung volume

# LATE COMPLICATION



## Scope of IMRT in Whole Breast RT

- Reducing dose inhomogeneity across the treatment volume
- Increasing Conformity of the dose
- Internal mammary node irradiation
- Simultaneous Integrated Boost to tumor cavity
- Possibly reduce morbidity

## IMRT/IGRT in pelvis/abdomen : conclusions

			IMRT	IGRT		
		Experience	Dosimetric benefit	Clinical benefit	Rational	Experience
Prostate	« in place »	++++++	-rectum	-GU/GI toxicity	+++++	+++
	+ pelvic LN	+++++	-bowel	(acute/late)	++	++
	post-op	+++		- local control	++	+
Gynecol	cervix	++	- rectum - bladder	-GU/GI toxicity (acute/late) -hemato toxicity	+++	+
	endometrium	++	<ul> <li>bowel</li> <li>kidney</li> </ul>		++	
			- bone - ParaoLN	-local control ?		
Digestive	anal canal	++	- rectum - bladder - bowel	- GI toxicity - dermato toxicity	+	
	rectum	++	- kidney - bone - perineum	GI toxicity (acute)	+++	+
	pancreas	+	- rectum - bladder - bowel - kidney	GI toxicity (acute)	+	

## **CYBERKNIFE-INDICATIONS**

- Intracranial lesions: single fraction, or fractionated
- Head and neck:
  - Nasopharynx & base of skull, primary or recurrent
  - Other sites, as boost following conventional RT, or recurrent
- Spine: where surgery indicated but not feasible, and conventional RT less effective or not possible
- Lung: where surgery indicated but not feasible
- Liver: where surgery indicated but not feasible
- Pancreas: unresectable but localized tumors
- Kidney: where surgery indicated but not feasible
- Previously irradiated tumors: retreatment w/ conventional RT not possible, for severe symptoms, Karnofsky > 40

## **Clinical Applications**

## Benign conditions

- Acoustic neuroma/Vestibular schwannoma, AVM
- Meningioma
- Pituitary adenoma, Craniopharyngioma
- Glomus jugulare tumors
- Trigeminal neuralgia



### **INDICATIONS OF TOMOTHERAPY**

### Magnafield radiotherapy – Large Field IMRT

- -Total Marrow Irradiation (TMI) & Total Lymphoid Irradiation (TLI)
- Whole Abdominopelvic Radiotherapy (WAR)
- Craniospinal Irradiation (CSI)
- Mantle, Mini-Mantle, Extended Mantle field
- Inverted-Y, Spade field

#### Simultaneous targeting of multiple lesions

- Synchronous double primaries
- Multiple metastases closely or far apart
- Primary plus metastatic lesions

#### **Conformal avoidance**

- Whole Brain sparing scalp radiotherapy
- Scalp sparing Whole brain radiation therapy (WBRT)
- Hippocampal & neural stem cell sparing WBRT
- Cardiac sparing mediastinal radiotherapy



# Immobilization—Blue Bag





Medical Intelligence BodyFIX





## **SBRT Dose**

Most Commonly Reported SBRT Prescriptions for Spine Tumors (n=170)

Fractions (%)	Common Dose/ Fraction, Gy (%)	Median Dose/ Fraction, Gy (range)	Median IDL, % (range)
1 (57%) 3 (22%) 5 (18%)	18 (40%), 16 (34%) 8 (51%), 7 (14%) 6 (60%), 7 (10%)	18 (7-24) 8 (6-12) 6 (4-12)	85 (70-100) 80 (75-95) 100 (90-100)
Most Comm	only Reported SBRT	Prescriptions for	Lung (n=262)
Fractions (%)	Common Dose/ Fraction, Gy (%)	Median Dose/ Fraction, Gy (range)	Median IDL % (range)
3 (47%) 4 (21%) 5 (30%) Most Comm	20 (46%), 18 (45%) 12 (78%), 12.5 (11%) 10 (51%), 12 (34%) nonly Reported SBRT	18 (10-20) 12 (10-16) 10 (3-20) Prescriptions for	80 (70-100) 85 (80-100) 90 (75-100) Liver (n=142)
Fractions (%)	Common Dose/ Fraction, Gy (%)	Median Dose/ Fraction, Gy (range)	Median IDL % (range)
3 (48%) 4 (9%) 5 (38%)	15 (40%), 20 (25%) 12 (77%), 10 (8%) 10 (38%), 12 (19%)	15 (8-20) 12 (8-12) 10 (5-12)	80 (70-100) 80 (80-95) 90 (70-100)

Pan H et al, A Survey of Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy Use in the United States. Cancer 2011 Oct 1;117(19):4566-72

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# SBRT in early stage NSCLC

Study	Trial type	Disease stage	Number of patients	Radiation dose	Follow-up period (months)	Outcomes
McGarry et al. (2005) <sup>27</sup>	Prospective (phase I)	Medically inoperable stage l	47	24–72 Gy in 3 fractions at 80%	27.4 for T1 19.1 for T2	LC: 78.7%
Fakiris et al. (2009) <sup>28</sup>	Prospective (phase II)	Medically inoperable stage I	70	T1 tumors: 60 Gy in 3 fractions at 80% T2 tumors: 66 Gy in 3 fractions at 80%	50.2	LC: 88.1% at 3 years OS: 42.7% at 3 years CSS: 81.7% at 3 years
Nagata et al. (2005) <sup>30</sup>	Prospective (phase I–II)	IA and IB	45	48Gy in 4 fractions at isocenter	30 for T1 tumors 22 for T2 tumors	LC: 98% (crude) OS: 92% and 83% at 1 and 3 years, respectively DFS: 80% and 72% at 1 and 3 years, respectively
Baumann <i>et al.</i> (2009) <sup>31</sup>	Prospective (phase II)	Medically inoperable stage I	57	45 Gy in 3 fractions at 67%	35	LC: 92% at 3 years OS: 86%, 65% and 60% at 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively CSS: 93%, 88% and 88% at 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively PFS: 52% at 3 years

Lo, S. S. et al. Nat. Rev. Clin. Oncol. 2010; 7: 44–54

## **SBRT for Lung Metastases**

Study	Trial type	Number of patients	Number of targets	Radiation dose	Median follow-up (months)	Outcomes
Uematsu et al. (1998) <sup>3</sup>	Retrospective	22	43	30–75 Gy in 5–15 fractions prescribed to 80%	9	LC: 98% (crude) No or minimal adverse effects
Hara et al. (2002) <sup>49</sup>	Retrospective	14	18	20–30 Gy in one fraction prescribed to periphery of PTV	12	LC: 78% at 13 months. No grade 3 or higher toxic effects
Lee et al. (2003) <sup>50</sup>	Retrospective	19	25	30–40 Gy in 3–4 fractions (10 Gy per dose) prescribed to periphery of PTV	18	LC: 88% at 2 years OS: 88% at 2 years No symptomatic or late serious complications
Hof et al. (2007)⁵¹	Retrospective	61	71	12–30 Gy in one fraction prescribed to isocenter	14	LPF: 88.6%, 73.7% and 63.1% at 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively OS: 78.1%, 65.1% and 47.8% at 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively No clinically significant toxic effects
0kunieff et al. (2006) <sup>52</sup>	Retrospective	42	125	50 Gy in 10 fractions (5 Gy per dose) prescribed to 80%	18.7	LC: 94% (crude), 91% at 3 years PFS: 25% and 16% at 1 and 2 years, respectively Grade 3 toxic effects: 4%

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## **SBRT for Liver Metastases**

Study	Туре	Number of patients	Number of targets	Radiation dose	Median follow-up (months)	Outcomes
Katz et al. (2007) <sup>58</sup>	Retrospective	69	174	30–55 Gy in fractions of 2–6 Gy prescribed to 80%	14.5	LC: 76% and 57% at 10 and 20 months, respectively OS: 46% and 24% at 6 and 12 months, respectively Grade 3 or higher toxic effects: 0%
Wulf et al. (2001) <sup>47</sup>	Retrospective	23	23	30 Gy in 3 fractions of 10 Gy prescribed to 65%	9.0	LC: 76% and 61% at 1 and 2 years, respectively* OS: 71% and 43% after 1 and 2 years, respectively* Grade 3–5 toxic effects (acute): 0%
Gunvén et al. (2008) <sup>60</sup>	Retrospective	7	9	20–40 Gy in 2–4 fractions, 30–45 Gy in 2–3 fractions, or 40 Gy in 2 fractions prescribed to 65%	117.0	LC: 100% (crude) OS: 100% (crude)
Herfarth et al. (2001) <sup>61</sup>	Prospective (phase I–II)	33	56	14–26 Gy in 1 fraction prescribed to 80%	5.7.0	LC: 78% (crude); 75%, 71% and 67% at 6, 12 and 18 months, respectively <sup>†</sup> OS: 72% at 1 year <sup>†</sup> RILD: 0%

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### Biologically Guided Radiotherapy: Theragnostics

- "Theragnostic": use of molecular imaging to prescribe the distribution of radiation doses in 4 dimensions
  - Tumor burden / clonogenic density
  - Hypoxia
  - Proliferation
  - Receptor expression (EGFR) etc

targeted

## TAKE HOME MESSAGE

GEOMETRIC FIELD SHAPING:-3DCRT
GEOMETRIC FIELD SHAPING+MODULATION OF THE FLUENCE:- IMRT
GEOMETRIC FIELD SHAPING+MODULATION OF THE FLUENCE+IMAGE GUIDANCE:-IGRT HEAD AND NECK :

■ HIGH RISK CTV → > 70 Gy. INT. RISK CTV → 63 Gy. LOW RISK → 50- 55 Gy.

■POSITION AS COMFORTABLE AS POSSIBLE.

#### TARGET VOLUME :

GTV + subclinical disease = CTV.

CTV + IM + SM = PTV.

OAR = serial, parallel, serial in parallel,

combination of serial and parallel.

- BEAMS EYE VIEW  $\rightarrow$  looking from the source.
- CONVENTIONAL AND 3D CRT  $\rightarrow$  forward planning .
- IMRT  $\rightarrow$  inverse planning.
- DIFFERENTIAL DVH → exact volume of tissue received that particular dose.

- CUMULATIVE DVH → entire volume received specified dose.
- Inhomogenity should be within + 7% to 5%.
- Motion may be Interfractional/ Intrafractional.
- IGRT → planning -> EPID, Cyberknife.
   volumetric -> CT on rail, Tomo, MVCT, CVCT.
- 3D CT + Respiratory gating  $\rightarrow$  4 D.
- PAROTID dose less in chinup position.
- IMRT IN H& N $\rightarrow$  less xerostomia, better speaking.

 PROSTATE → Biochemical control no difference in prostate Vs pelvis + prostate Radiation.

4 year PFS improved but more toxicity.

Dose escalation  $\rightarrow$  Better freedom from biochemical failure and better PSA relapse free survival.

- Ca Cervix  $\rightarrow$  Less toxicity, better overall survival.
- Ca Pancreas  $\rightarrow$  Less toxicity.
- SBRT indicated in :

T1, T2 NSCLC Lungs metastasis Hepatocellular carcinoma. Spinal RT.

