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Plan Evaluation

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- Learning objective

- Ability to compare salient data points and clinical issues in 2D, 3D & IMRT Plans
- Choose from multiple plans to suit clinical objective

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Planning Workflow

- Immobilization
- Image acquisition and registration

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- Plan implementation



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To choose the best among multiple plans:

- Target coverage
- OAR sparing
- Hotspot/Coldspot
- DVH analysis
- Isodose coverage
- Indices (CI & HI)
- Clinical relevance



Objective Assessment

- Dose Volume Histogram
 - Cumulative
 - Differential
- Defined Volumes
 - GTV: Gross Tumor Volume
 - CTV: Clinical Target Volume
 - ITV: Internal Target Volume
 - PTV: Planning Target Volume

- ❖ OAR: Organs @ Risk
- ❖ PRV: Planning Vol @ Risk
- ❖ RVR: Residual Vol @ Risk

Discretionary/ Evolving

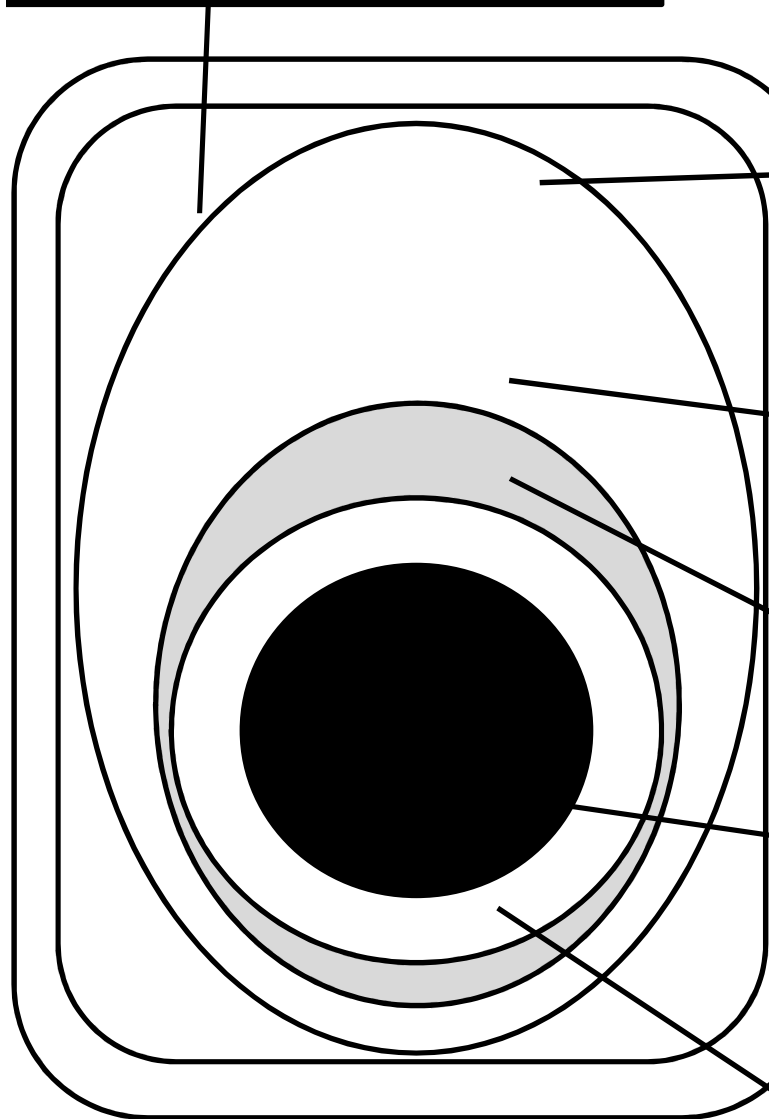
- Assessment of isodose every slice coverage for clinical relevance
- Multimodality Images
- Biological Volumes
- Effect of variation in dose levels
- TCP/ NTCP

International Commission on Radiation
Units & Measurements (ICRU)



RVR: Residual Vol @ Risk
Body contour – (CTV + OAR)

ICRU Definitions



TV: Volume apart from PTV receiving clinically significant dose

PTV: Set up errors & organ motion

ITV: Uncertainties of shape, size and position

GTV: Clinically or radiologically assessed tumor (GTV-P / GTV-N)

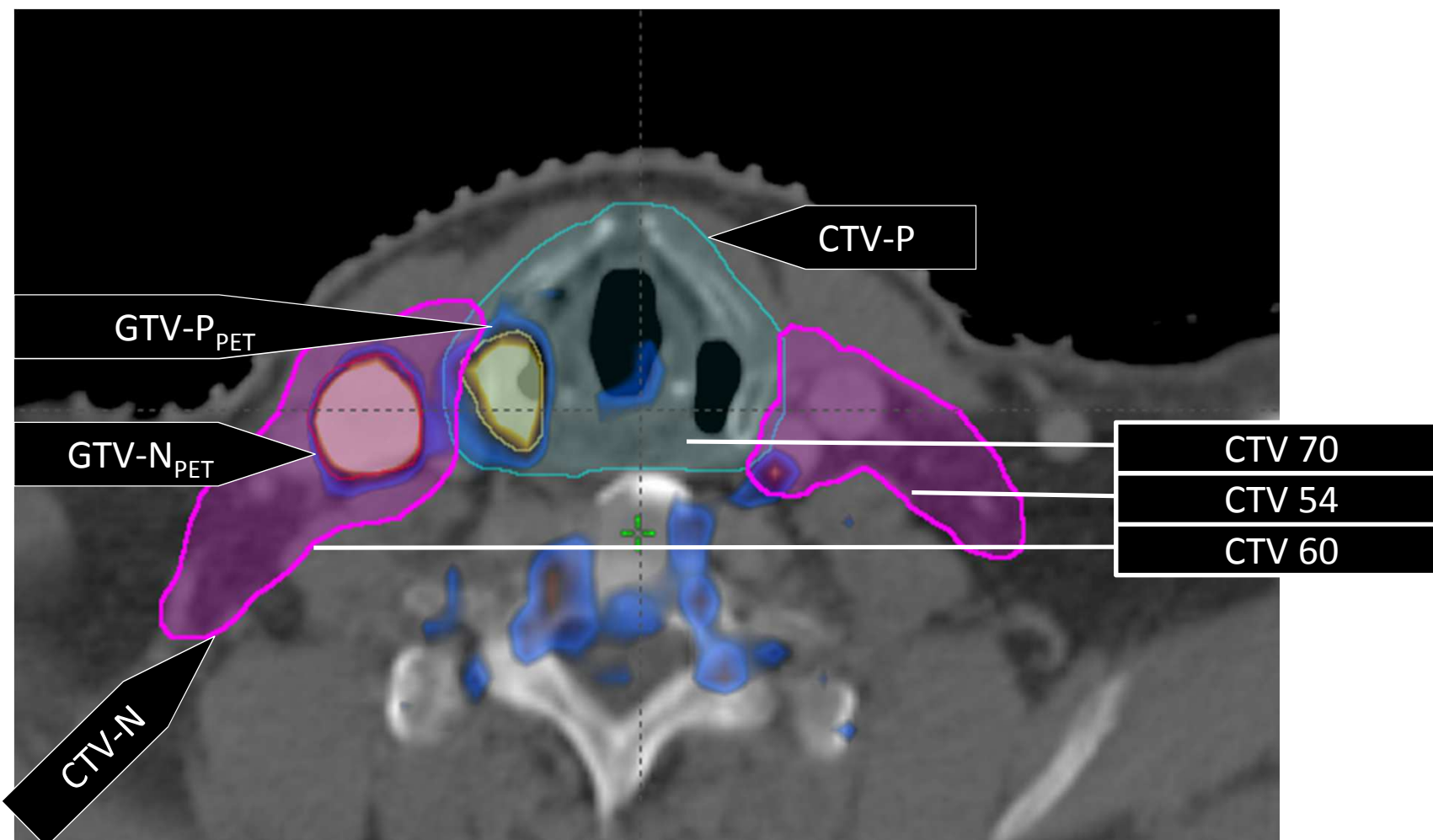
CTV: Subclinical Extension (CTV-P / CTV-N)

Organ@ Risk (OAR)
Serial: Sp Cord
Parallel: Parotid

PRV: Planning Organ @ Risk Volume
OAR + Set up Margin



Types of CTV/PTV





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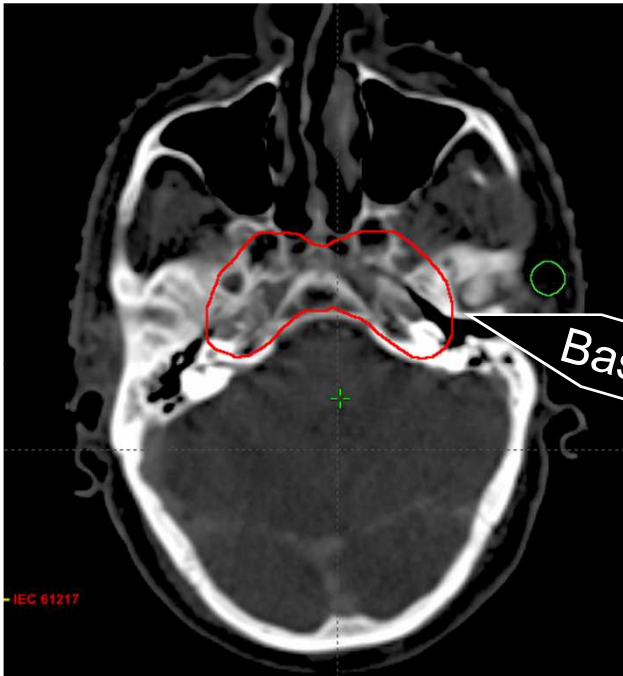
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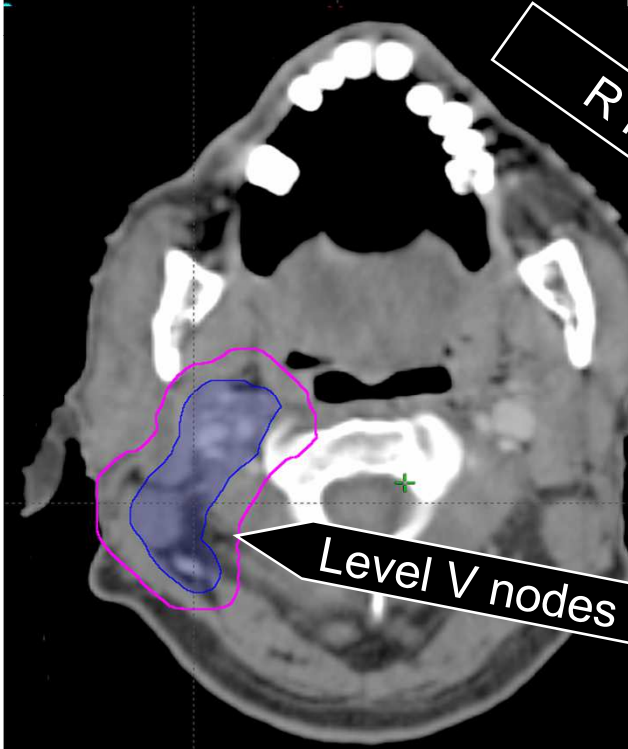
ICRU through ages

ICRU 29 (1974)	ICRU 50 (1993)	ICRU 62 (1999)	ICRU 83 (2010)
Target Volume	GTV	GTV	GTV
	CTV	CTV	CTV
		ITV	ITV
	PTV	PTV	PTV
Treatment volume	Treated volume	Treated volume	Treated volume
Irradiated volume	Irradiated volume	Irradiated volume	Irradiated volume
Organ at Risk	Organ at risk	Organ at risk	Organ at risk
		PRV	PRV
			RVR
Hotspot (more than 100% - 2 sq cm)	Hotspot (more than 100% - 15 mm dia)	Hotspot (more than 100% - 15 mm dia)	High dose to RVR
Dose heterogeneity (no values)	Dose heterogeneity (+7 to -5 %)	Dose heterogeneity (+7 to -5 %)	Not specified

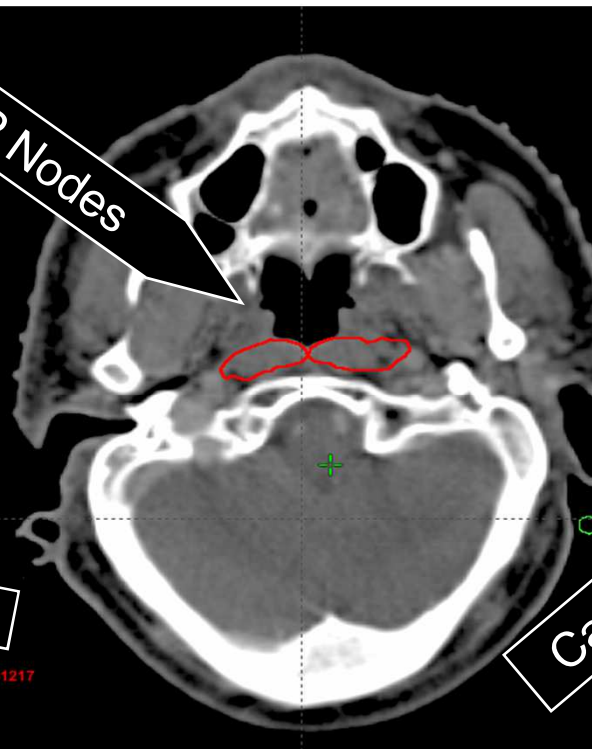
Omitted by Mistake (CTV/PTV)



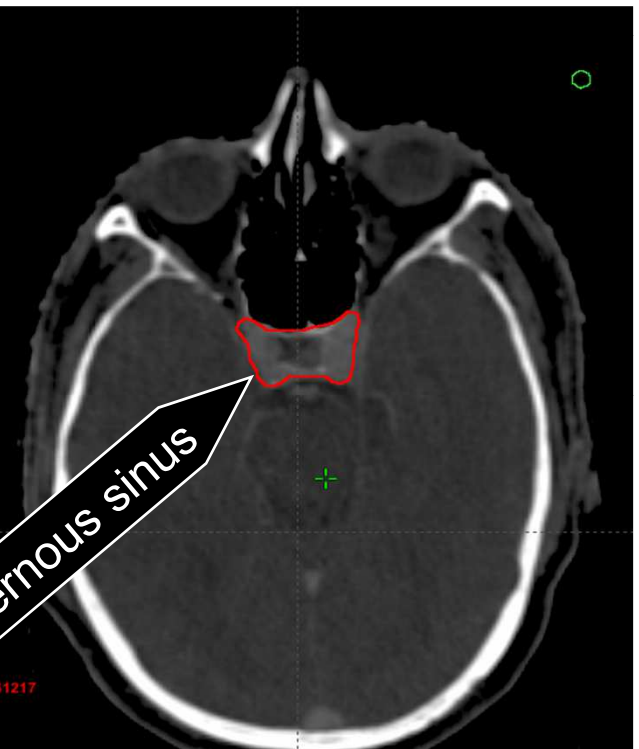
Base of skull foramina



Level V nodes



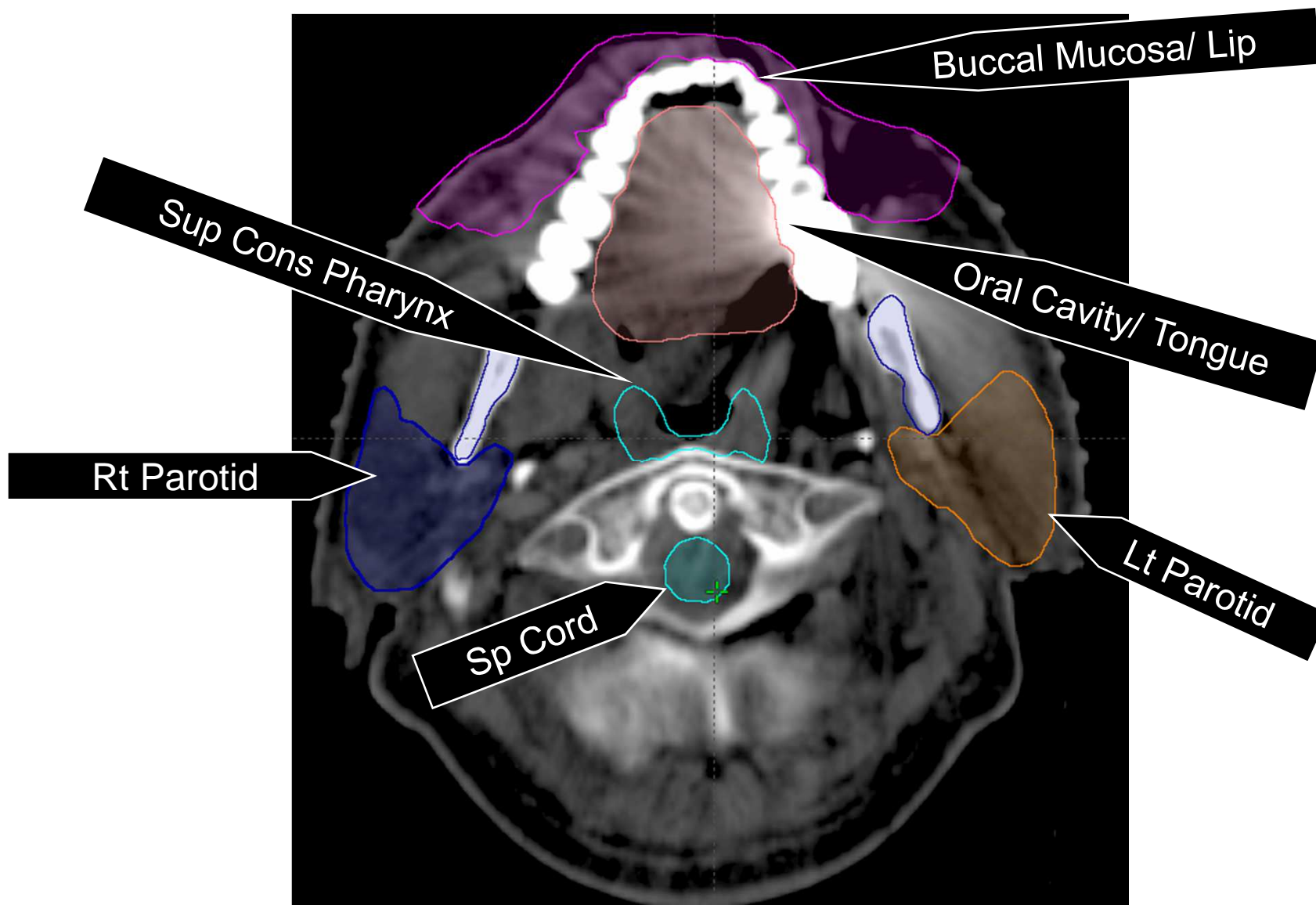
R P Nodes



Cavernous sinus

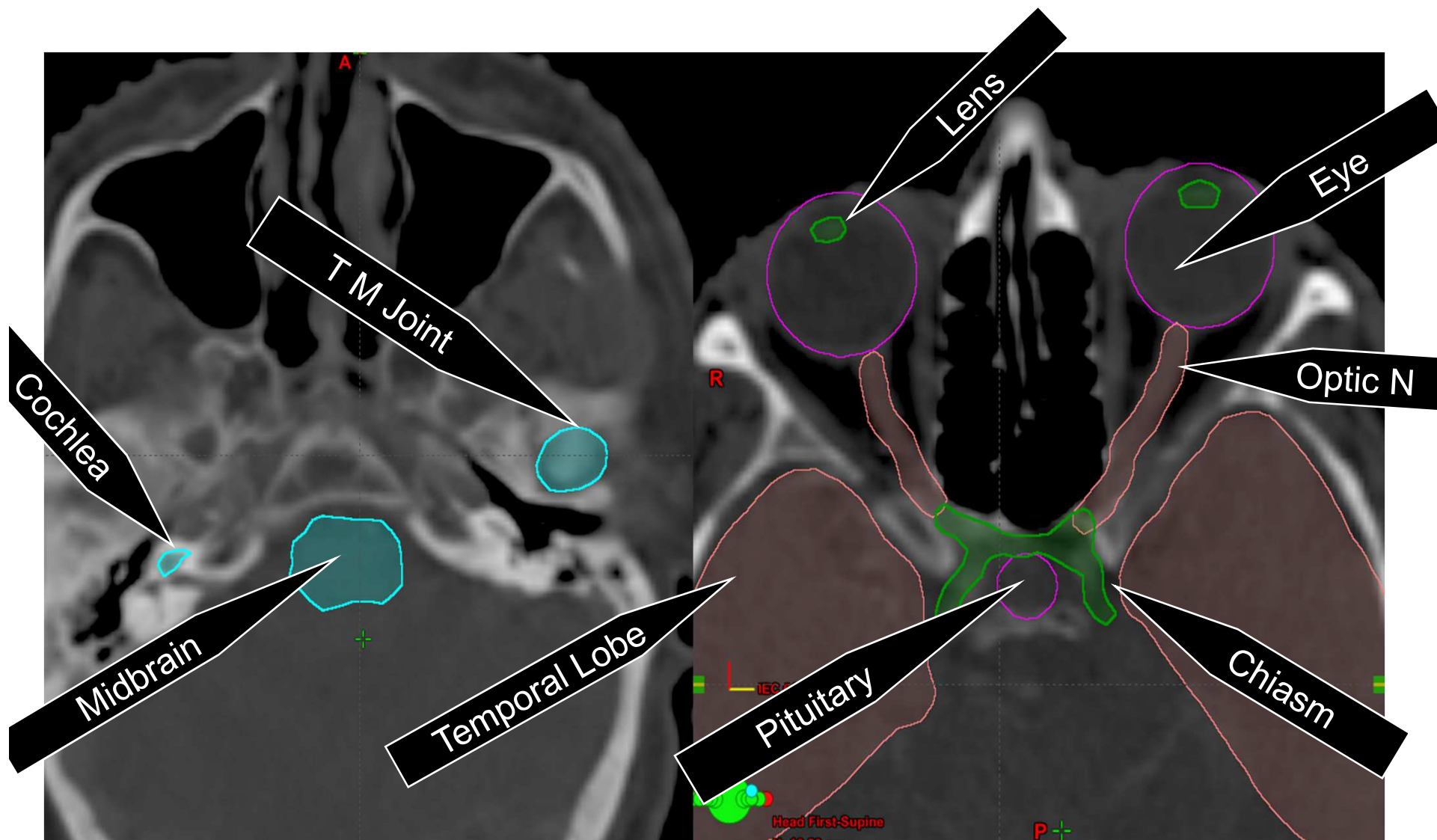


Organs at Risk (OAR)





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Dose Evaluation

3D & IMRT

ICRU Concepts at Work

Dose Reporting in 3D (ICRU 50)

- Dose must be reported to the ICRU reference point

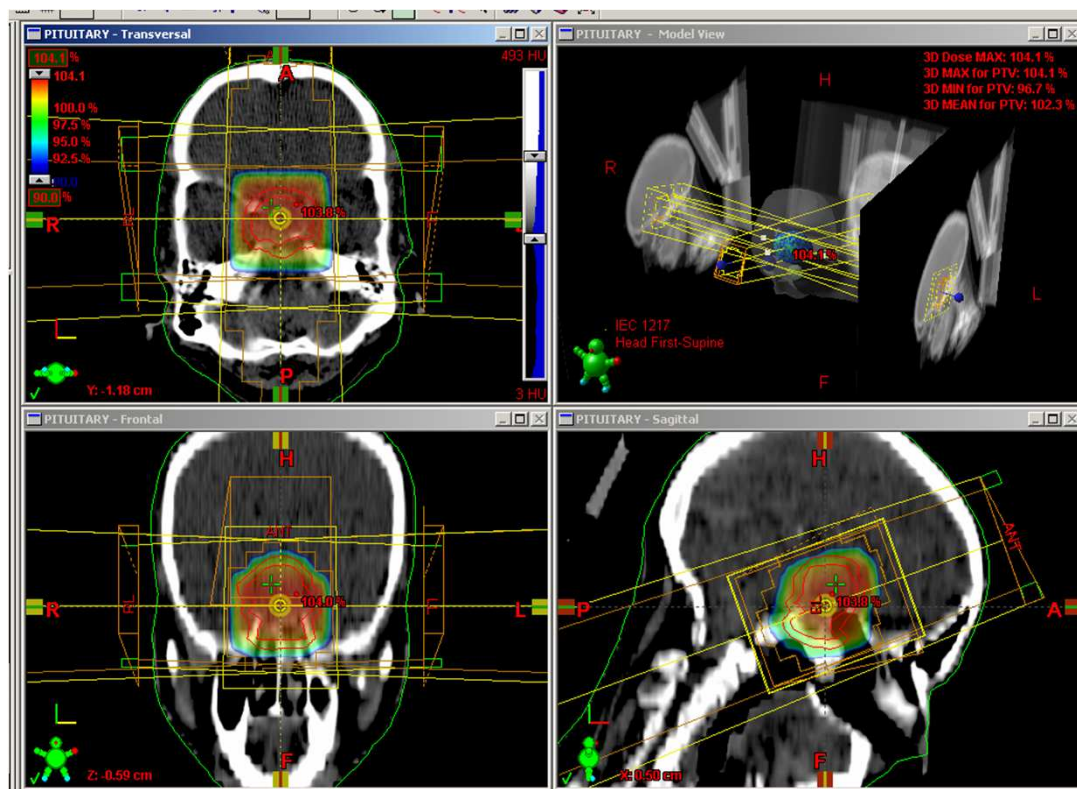
- ICRU reference point is usually isocenter
- It could be a point in the center of the PTV
- Uniform dose to PTV (-5 to +7%)

Maximum & minimum dose must be reported in PTV

Whenever possible dose should be reported to PRV

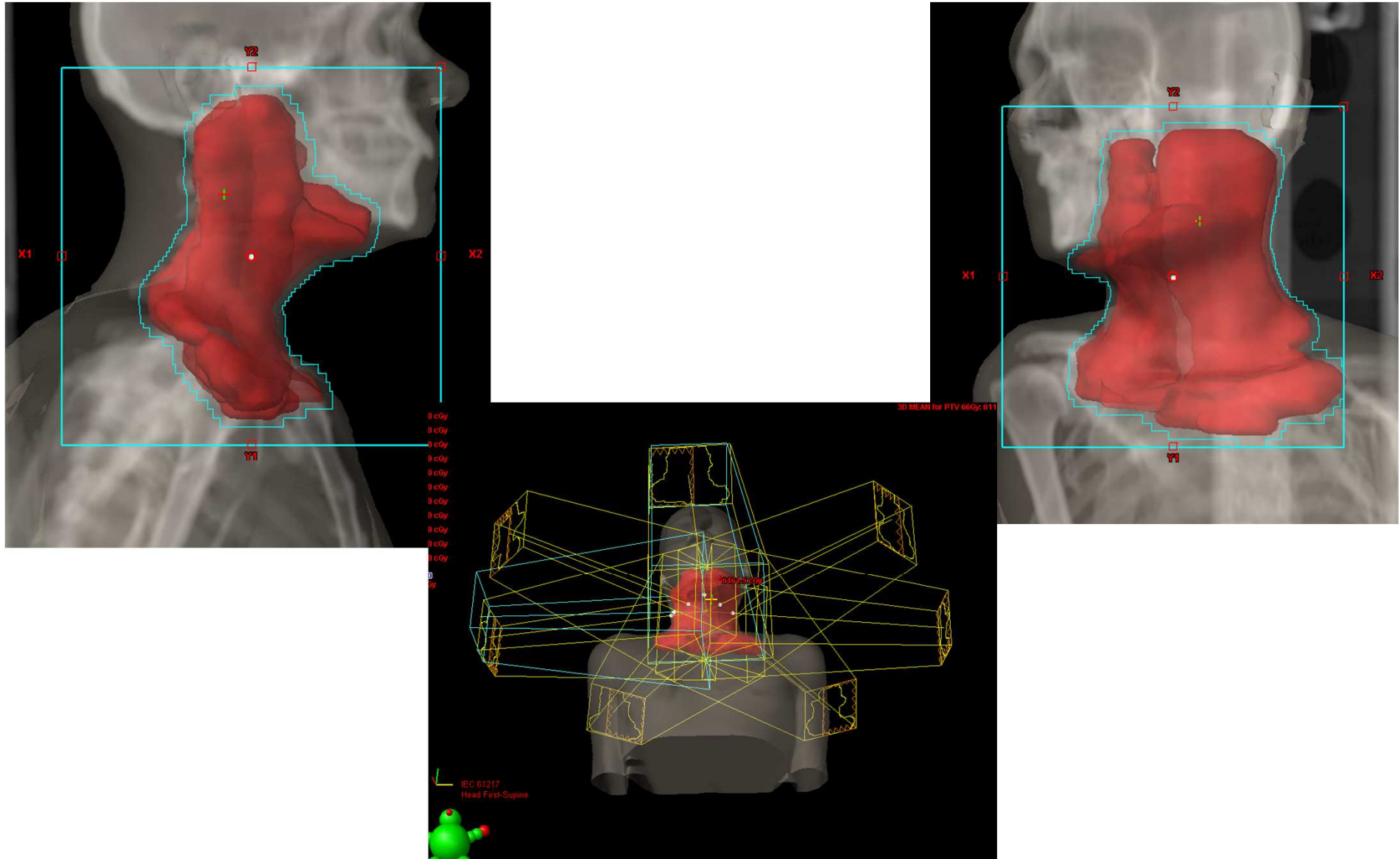


3D Plan Verification



- Visualisation in Axial, Coronal & Saggital
- Coverage of PTV
- Sparing of OAR
- 95% dose to Cover
- No cold spots

Room View & Beam's Eye View





Paradigm Shift with IMRT

IMRT represents a paradigm shift

Non uniform dose (dose painting)

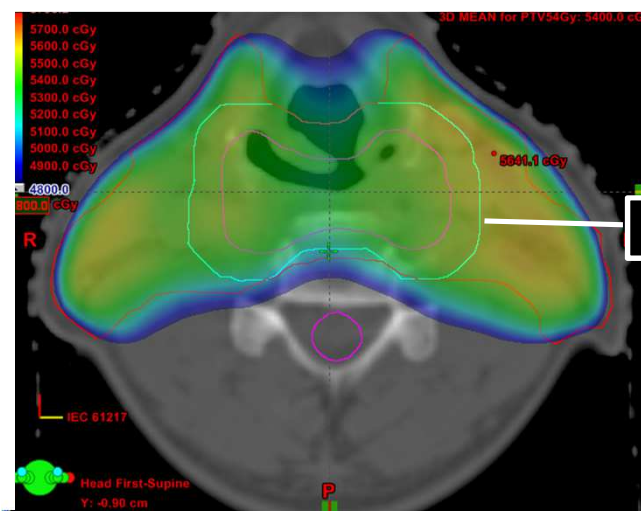
Large dosimetric variations

Isocenter dose is meaningless

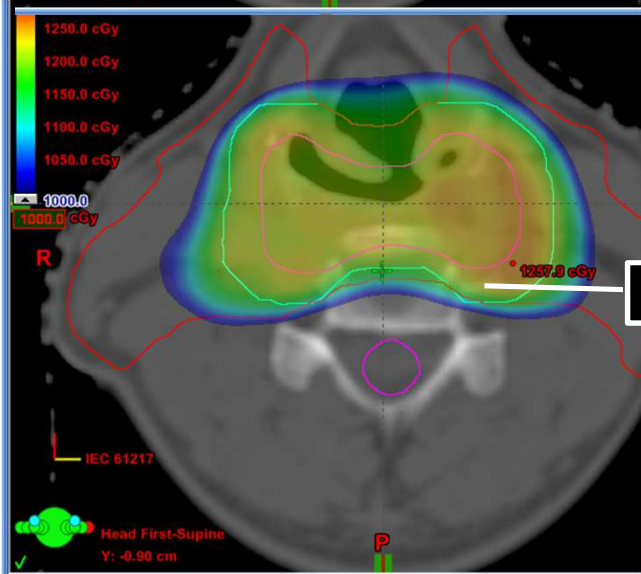
Radiobiological consequence of large heterogeneous dose is uncertain (i.e 180c Gy/day versus 250c Gy/day)



IMRT: Sequential



Phase I: Low Dose: Nodal+ Primary

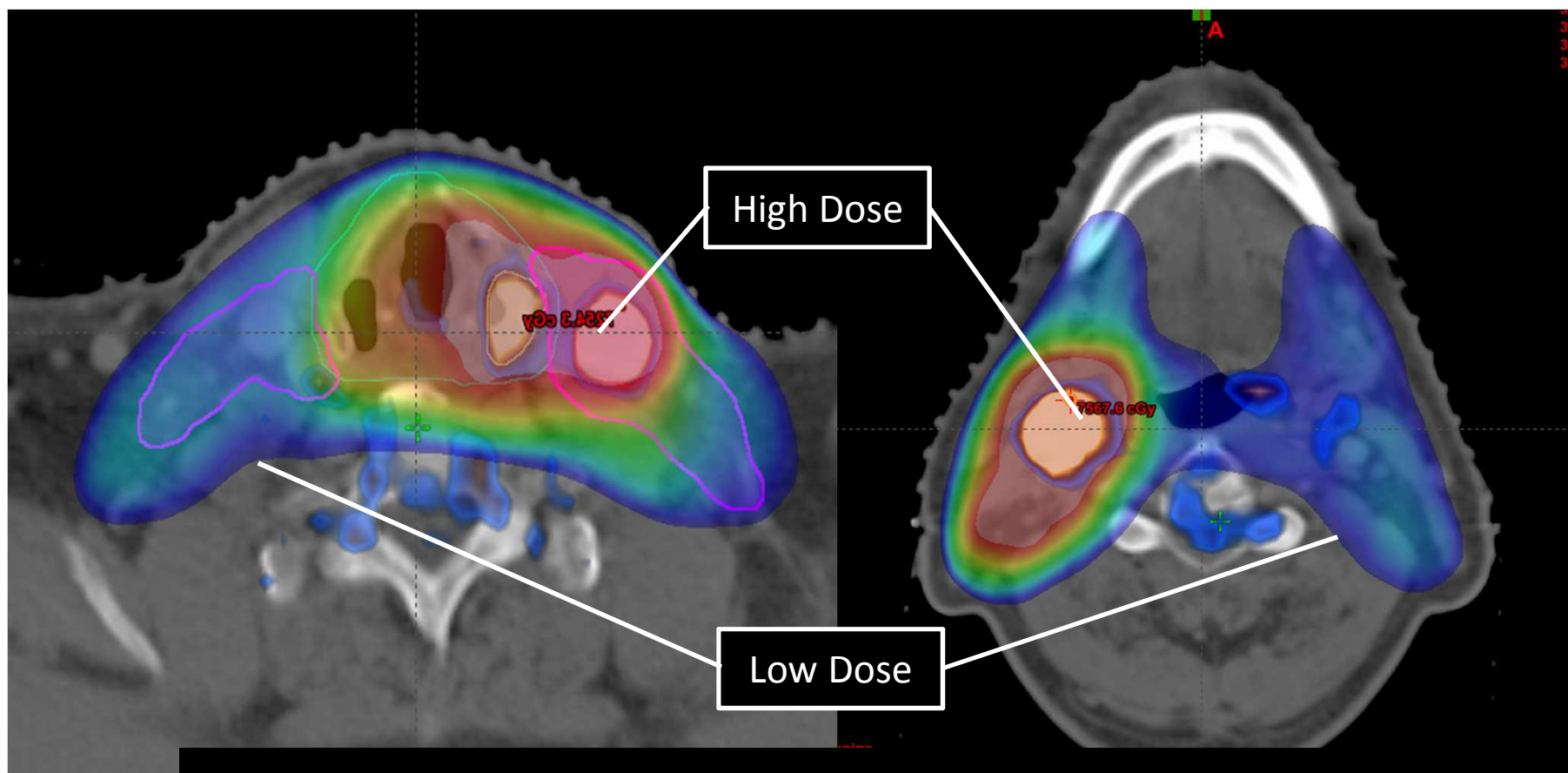


Phase II: HighDose: Primary / Boost

Summation of Both Plans

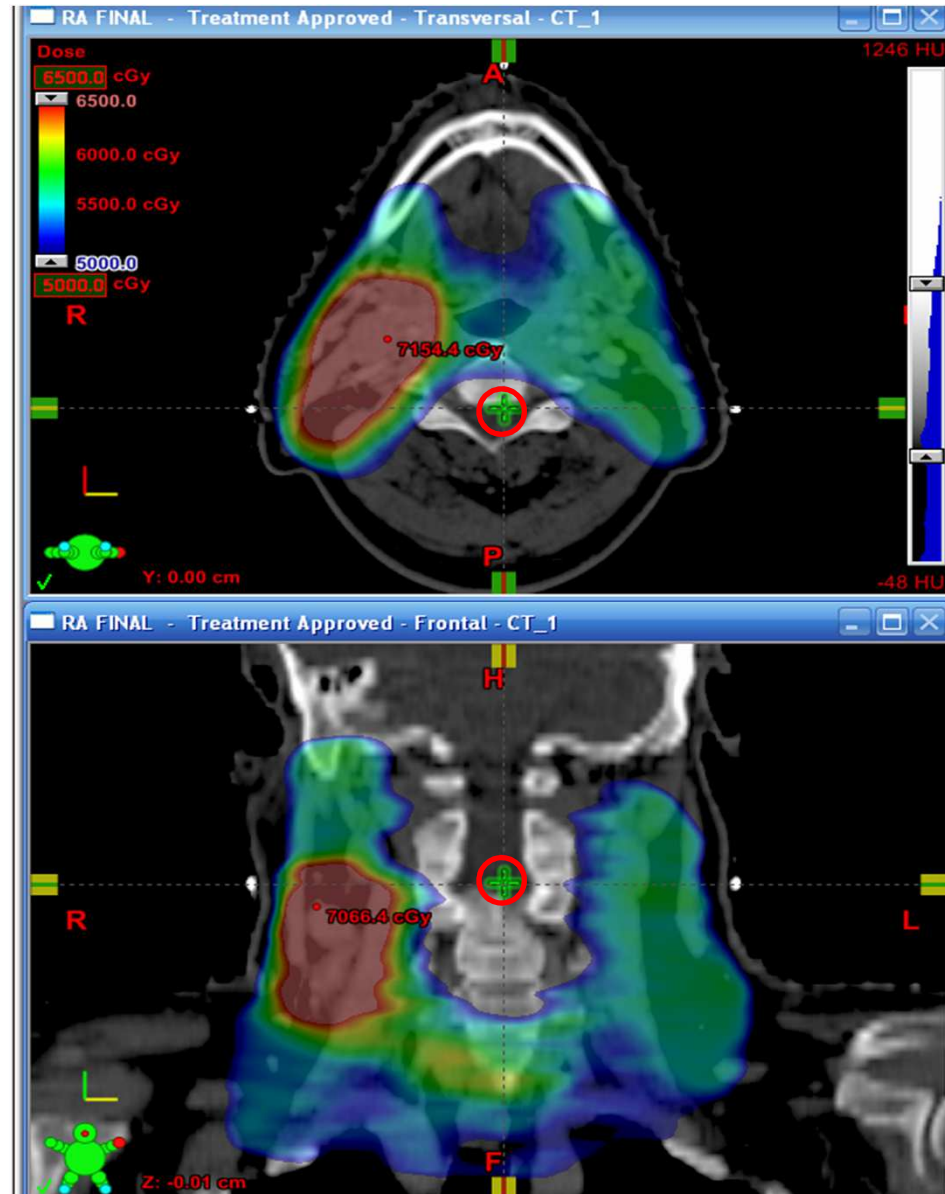


IMRT: Simultaneous Integrated Boost

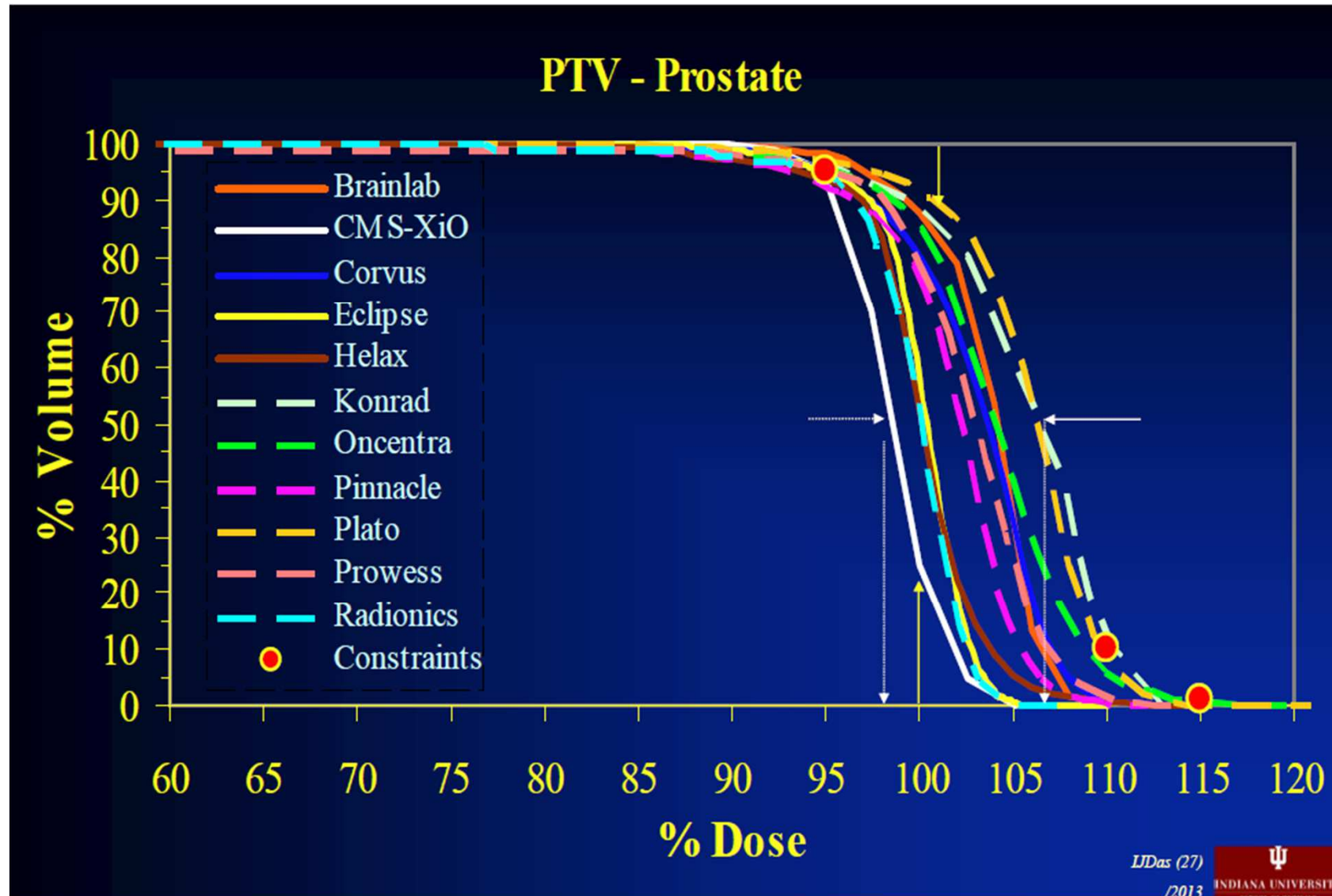


Both Low Dose & High Dose Volumes Treated Simultaneously

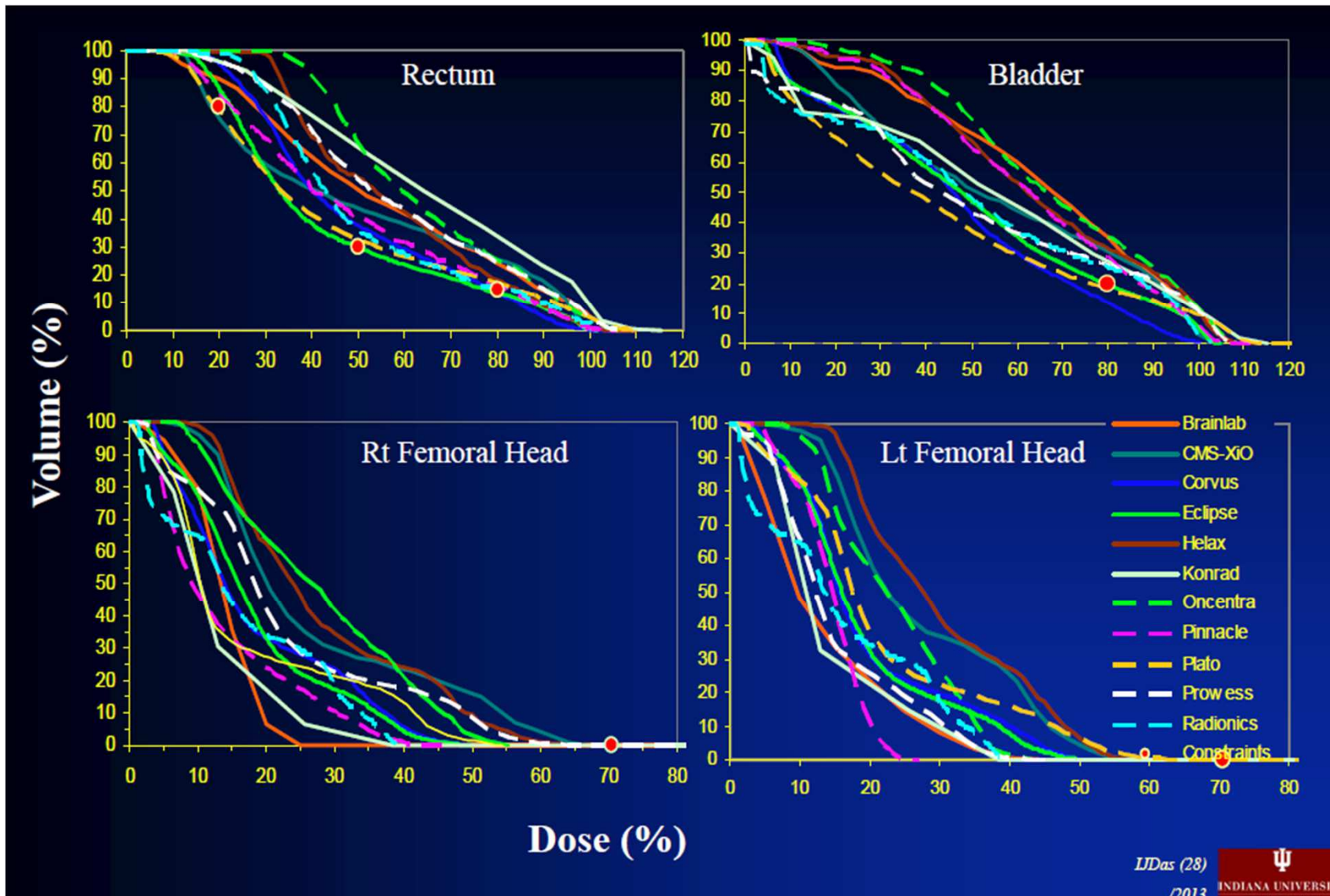
Isocenter dose is non-representative



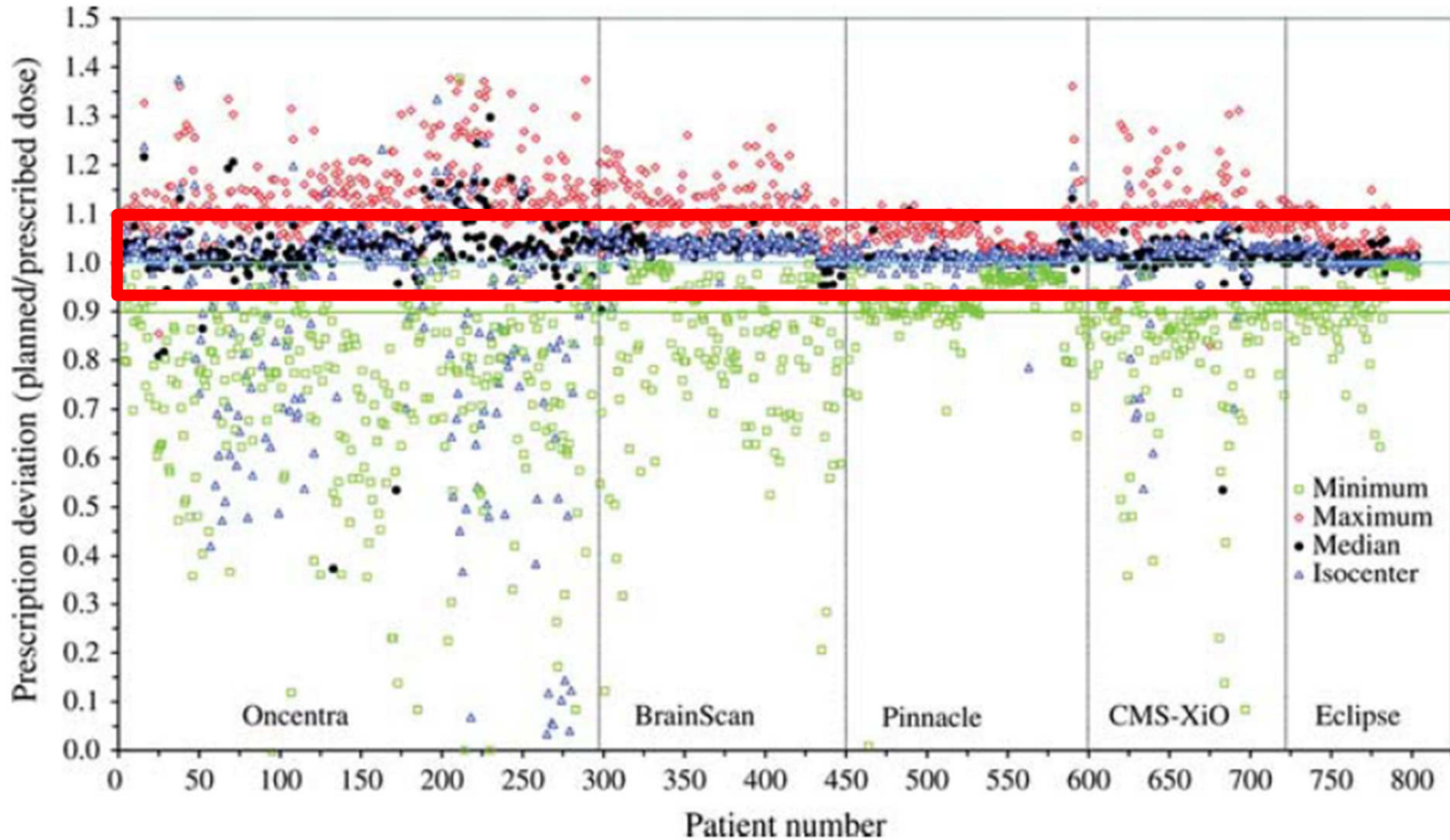
IMRT: Variability in PTV Dose



IMRT: Variability in OAR Dose



Variation of doses among 850 patients in 5 Institutions



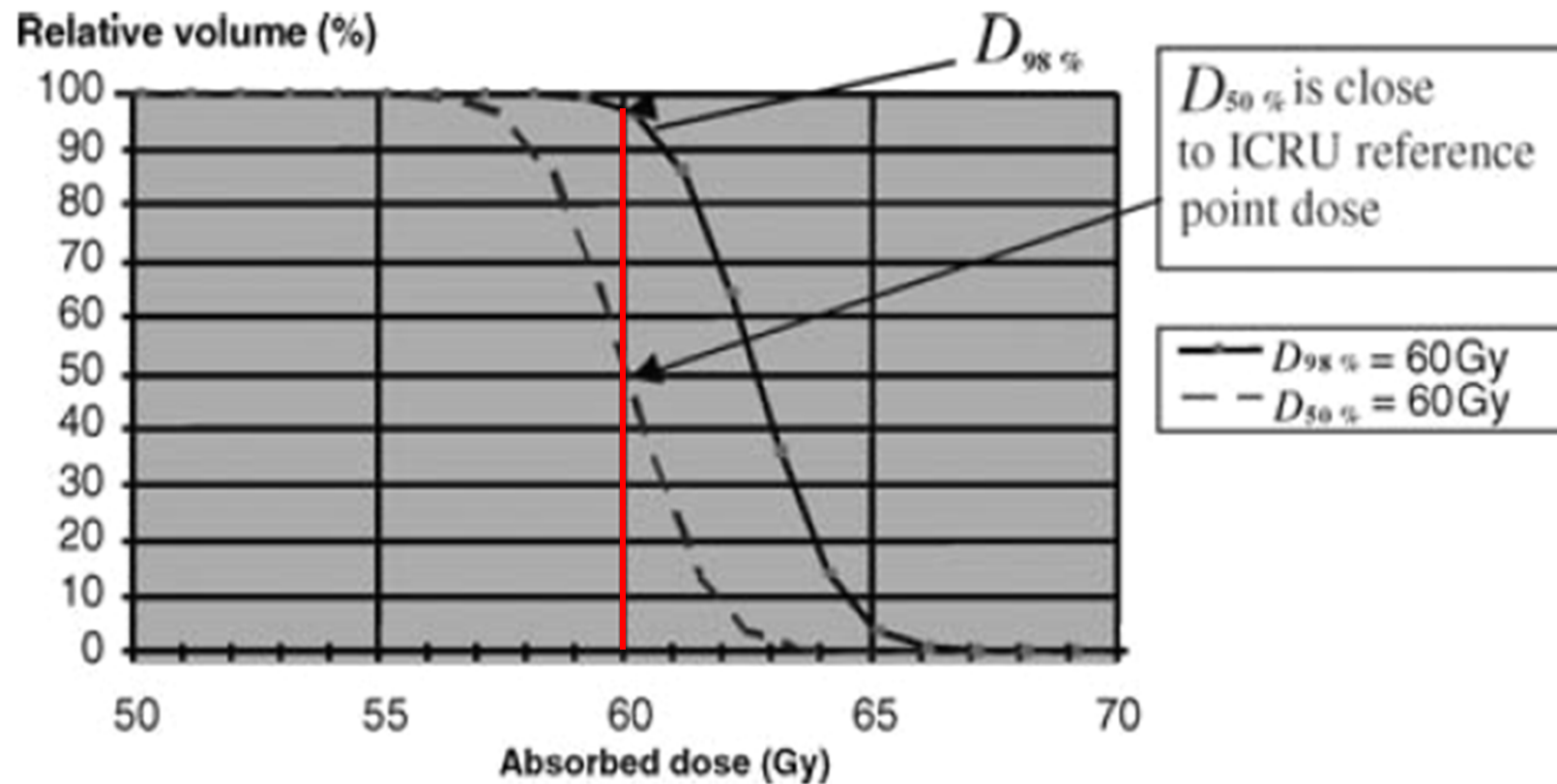
Median Dose is most consistent



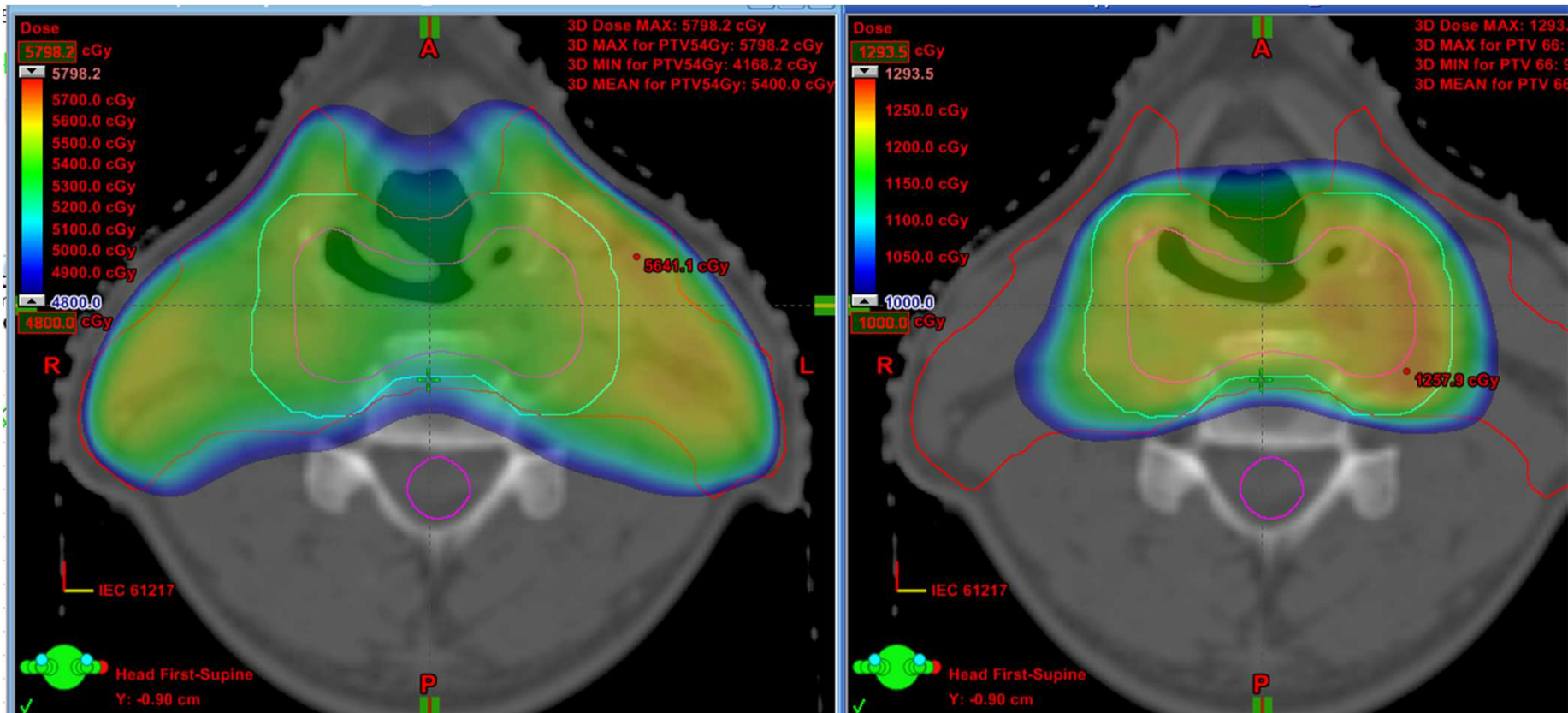
ICRU-83: PTV

- Dose Volume Reporting
 - $D_{50\%}$ (Median Dose)
 - Most representative of prescribed dose
 - D_{mean} is nearly identical to $D_{50\%}$
 - $D_{98\%}$ (Near Minimum Dose)
 - Dose received by 98% of PTV
 - $D_{2\%}$ (Near Maximum Dose)
 - Dose received by 2% of PTV

Comparison of ICRU reference point dose to $D_{98\%}$



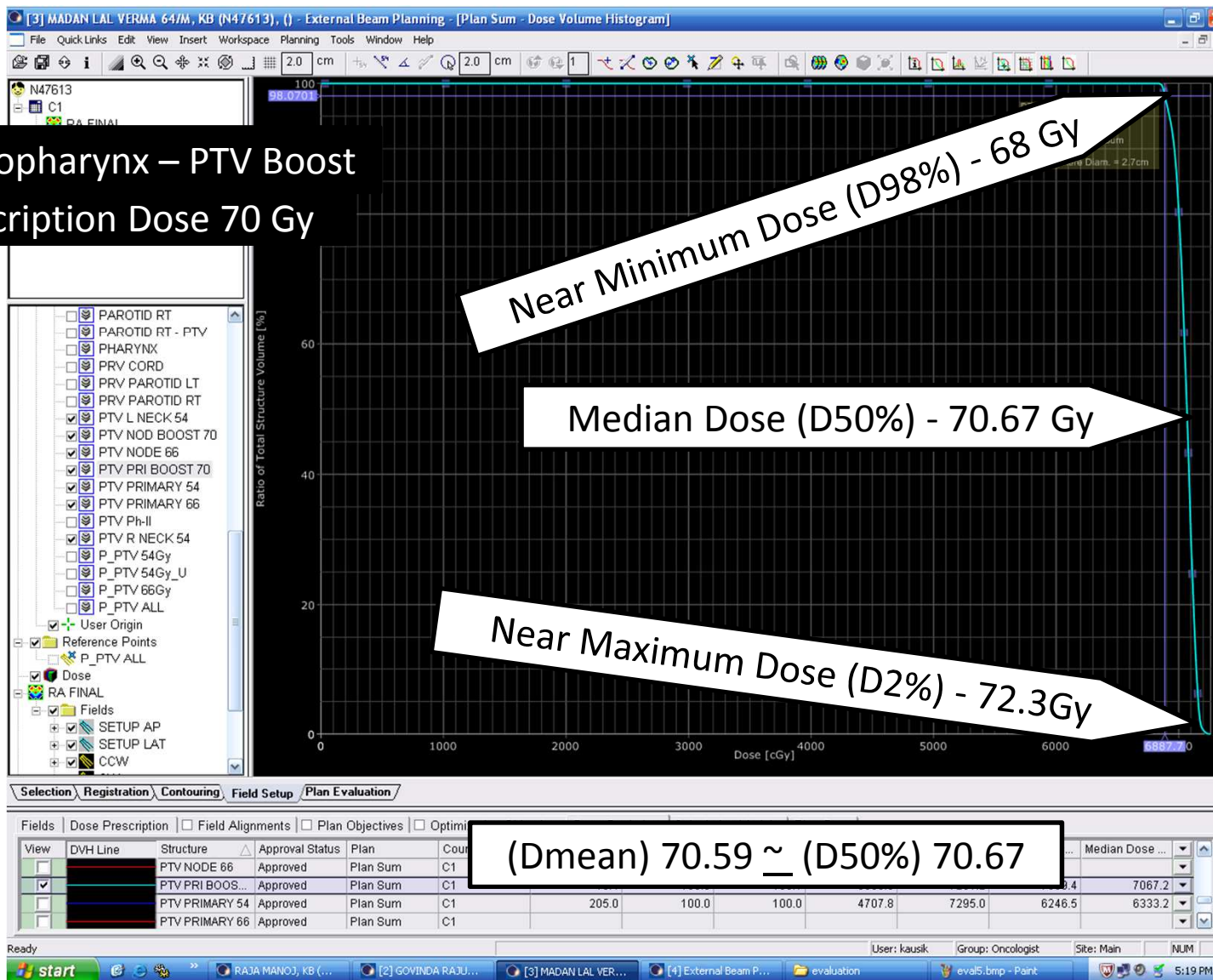
Application of ICRU 83 in Single Dose Level Plans





DVH of PTV

Ca Oropharynx – PTV Boost
Prescription Dose 70 Gy



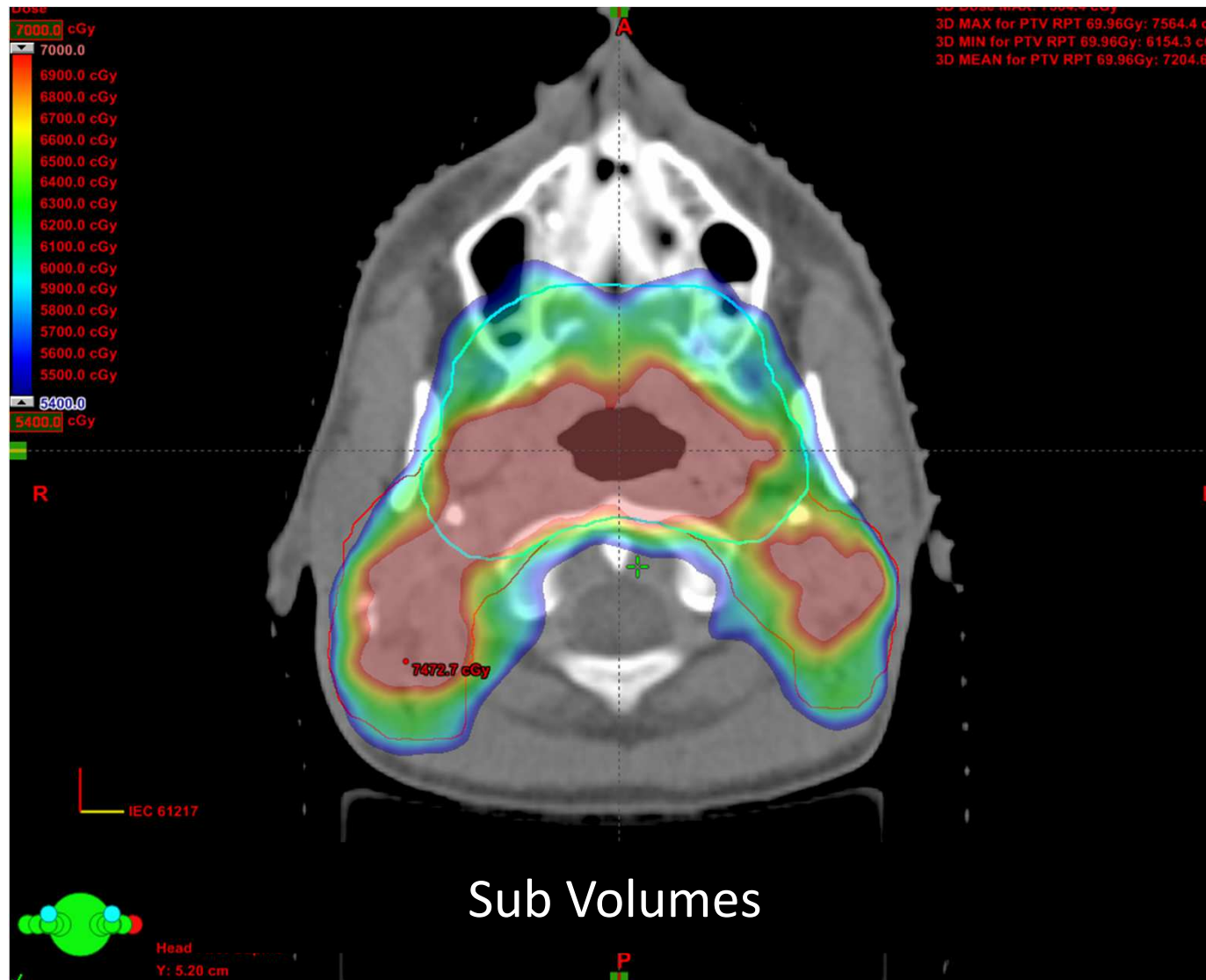
Near Minimum Dose (D98%) - 68 Gy

Median Dose (D50%) - 70.67 Gy

Near Maximum Dose (D2%) - 72.3 Gy

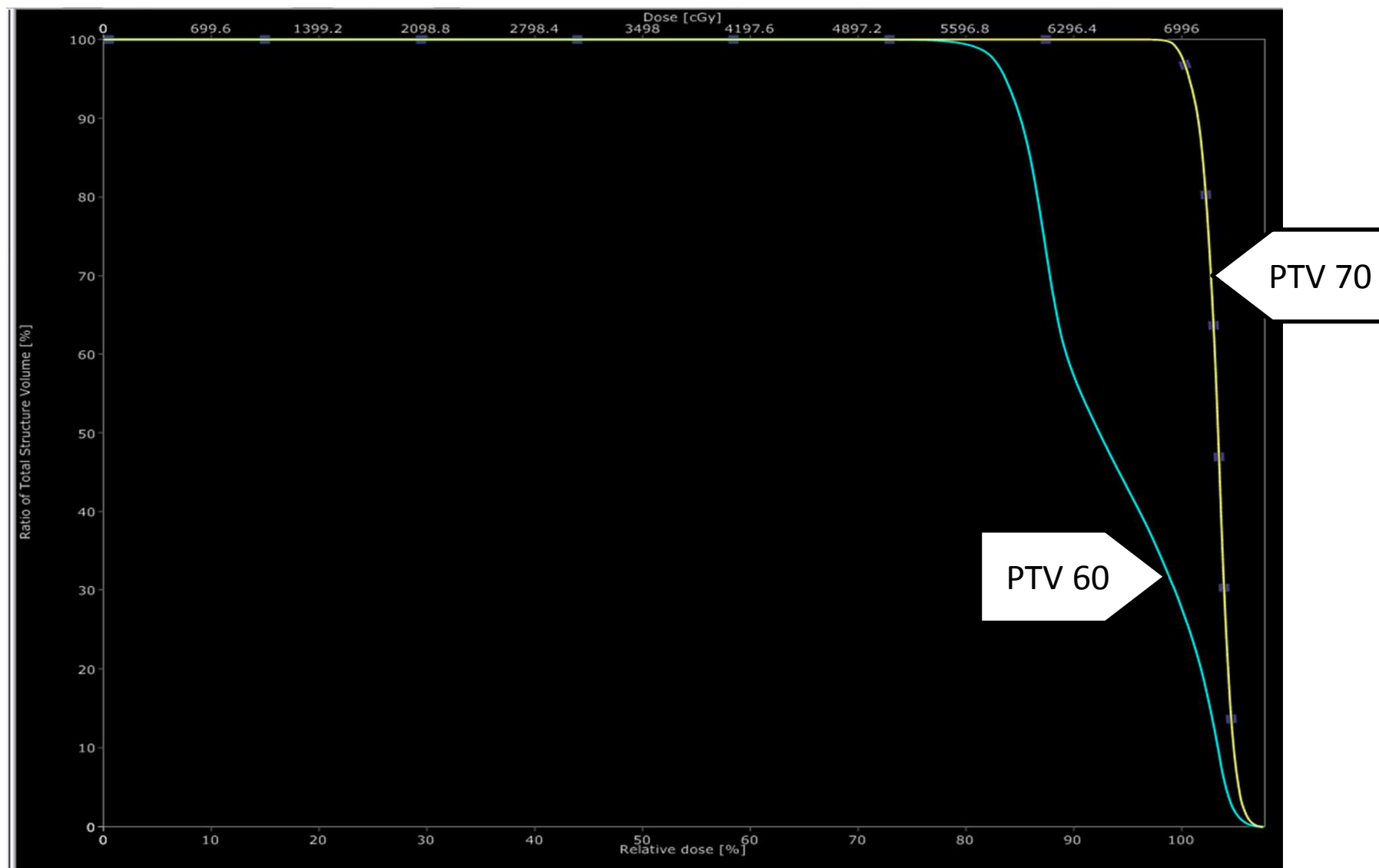
(Dmean) 70.59 ~ (D50%) 70.67

Nasopharynx with SIB (60Gy & 70Gy in 33Fr)

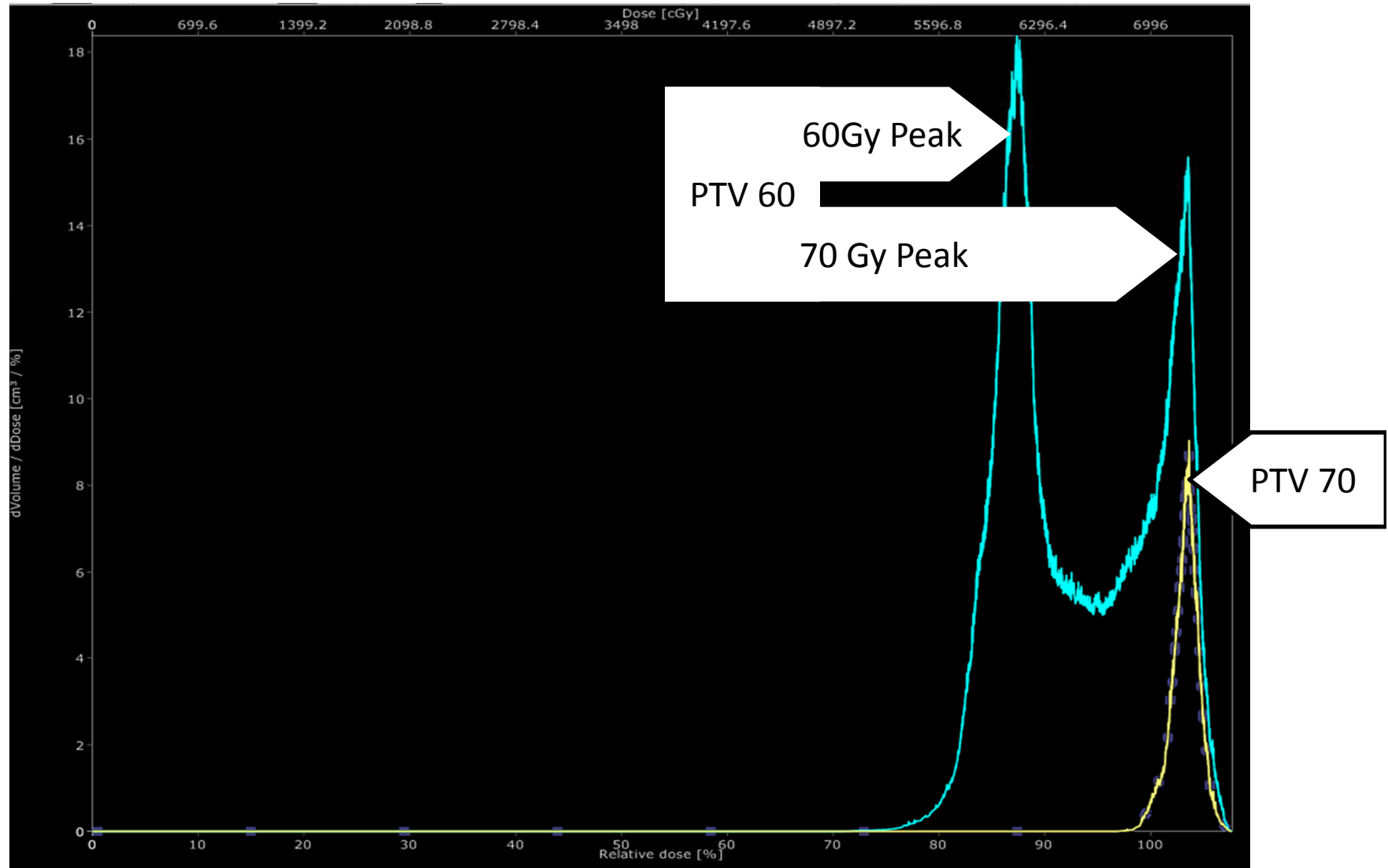




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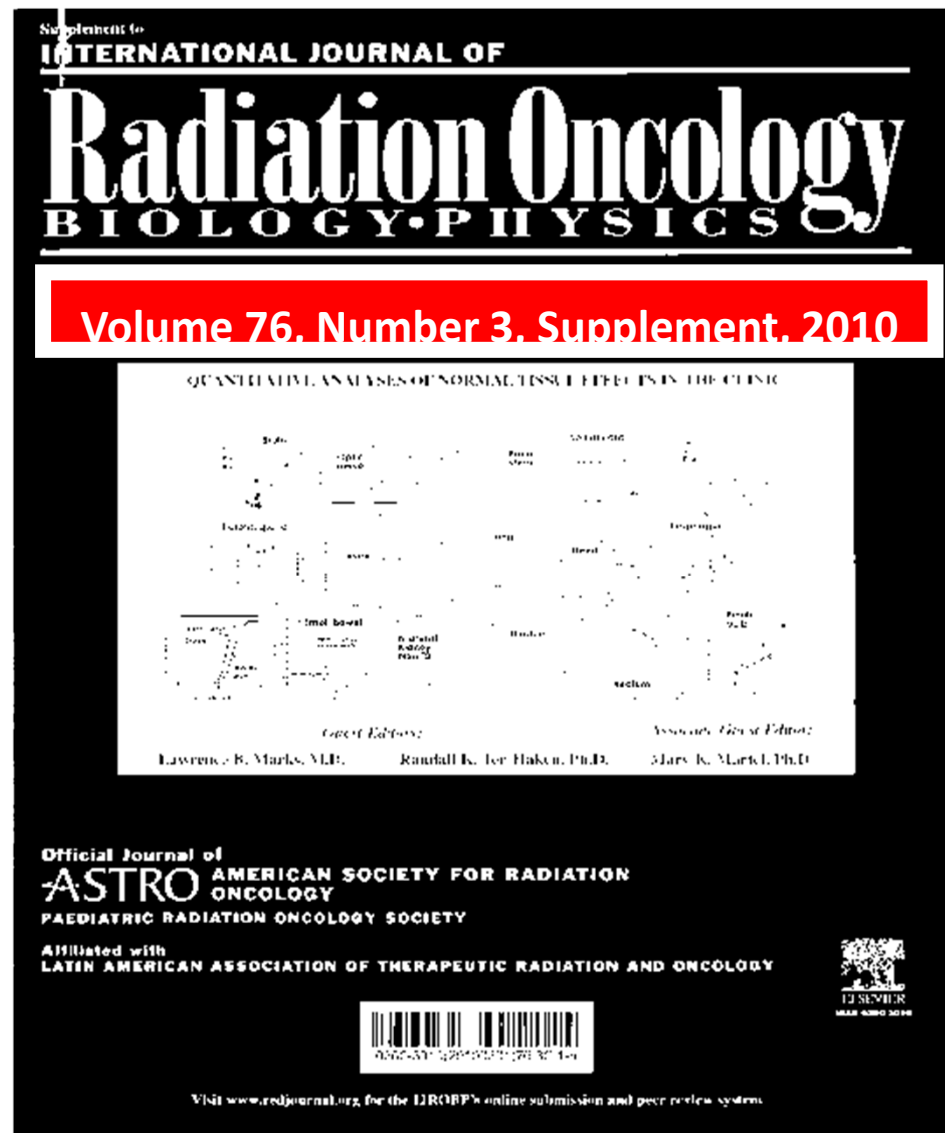
Differential DVH



Organs at Risk: QUANTEC



Quantitative Analysis of Normal Tissue Tolerance in Clinic



Organ	Volume segmented	Irradiation type (partial organ unless otherwise stated) [†]	Endpoint	Dose (Gy), or dose/volume parameters [†]	Rate (%)	Notes on dose/volume parameters
Brain	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Symptomatic necrosis	Dmax <60	<3	Data at 72 and 90 Gy, extrapolated from BED models
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Symptomatic necrosis	Dmax = 72	5	
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Symptomatic necrosis	Dmax = 90	10	
	Whole organ	SRS (single fraction)	Symptomatic necrosis	V12 <5–10 cc	<20	Rapid rise when V12 > 5–10 cc
Brain stem	Whole organ	Whole organ	Permanent cranial neuropathy or necrosis	Dmax <54	<5	
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Permanent cranial neuropathy or necrosis	D1–10 cc ^{ll} ≤59	<5	
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Permanent cranial neuropathy or necrosis	Dmax <64	<5	Point dose <<1 cc
Optic nerve / chiasm	Whole organ	SRS (single fraction)	Permanent cranial neuropathy or necrosis	Dmax <12.5	<5	For patients with acoustic tumors
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Optic neuropathy	Dmax <55	<3	Given the small size, 3D CRT is often whole organ ^{††}
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Optic neuropathy	Dmax 55–60	3–7	
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Optic neuropathy	Dmax >60	>7–20	
Spinal cord	Whole organ	SRS (single fraction)	Optic neuropathy	Dmax <12	<10	
	Partial organ	3D-CRT	Myelopathy	Dmax = 50	0.2	Including full cord cross-section
	Partial organ	3D-CRT	Myelopathy	Dmax = 60	6	
	Partial organ	3D-CRT	Myelopathy	Dmax = 69	50	
	Partial organ	SRS (single fraction)	Myelopathy	Dmax = 13	1	Partial cord cross-section irradiated
Partial organ	SRS (hypofraction)	Myelopathy	Dmax = 20	1	3 fractions, partial cord cross-section irradiated	
Organ	Volume segmented	Irradiation type (partial organ unless otherwise stated) [†]	Endpoint	Dose (Gy), or dose/volume parameters [†]	Rate (%)	Notes on dose/volume parameters
Pharynx	Bilateral whole parotid glands	3D-CRT	Long term parotid salivary function reduced to <25% of pre-RT level	Mean dose <39	<50	For combined parotid glands (per Fig. 3 in paper) [§]
		Whole organ	Symptomatic dysphagia and aspiration	Mean dose <50	<20	Based on Section B4 in paper
		3D-CRT	Vocal dysfunction	Dmax <66	<20	With chemotherapy, based on single study (see Section A4.2 in paper)
		3D-CRT	Aspiration	Mean dose <50	<30	With chemotherapy, based on single study (see Fig. 1 in paper)
Larynx	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Edema	Mean dose <44	<20	Without chemotherapy, based on single study in patients without larynx cancer ^{**}
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Edema	V50 <27%	<20	
	Whole organ	3D-CRT	Sensory neural hearing loss	Mean dose ≤45	<30	Mean dose to cochlear, hearing at 4 kHz
Cochlea	Whole organ	SRS (single fraction)	Sensory neural hearing loss	Prescription dose ≤14	<25	Serviceable hearing
	Bilateral whole parotid glands	3D-CRT	Long term parotid salivary function reduced to <25% of pre-RT level	Mean dose <25	<20	For combined parotid glands [§]
	Unilateral whole parotid gland	3D-CRT	Long term parotid salivary function reduced to <25% of pre-RT level	Mean dose <20	<20	For single parotid gland. At least one parotid gland spared to <20 Gy [§]

STRUCTURES

CONSTRAINT



Oral cavity

mean<40Gy

Parotid gland

mean <26Gy(atleast in one gland)
or atleast 20cc of the combined volume of both
parotids should receive<20Gy
or atleast 50% of the gland will receive <30Gy

Cochlea

V55 <5%

Eyes

mean <35Gy

Lens

max <25Gy

Glottis

mean<45Gy

Esophagus

Postcricoid pharynx

mean<45Gy

Brainstem

max 54Gy or 1%PTV not more than 60Gy

Optic nerves

max 54Gy or 1%PTV not more than 60Gy

Optic chiasm

max 54Gy or 1%PTV not more than 60Gy

Spinal cord

max 45Gy or 1cc PTV not more than 50Gy

Mandible and TM joint

max <70Gy or 1cc PTV not more than 75Gy

Brachial plexus

max <66Gy

Temporal lobes

max<60Gy or 1% of PTV not more than 65Gy.

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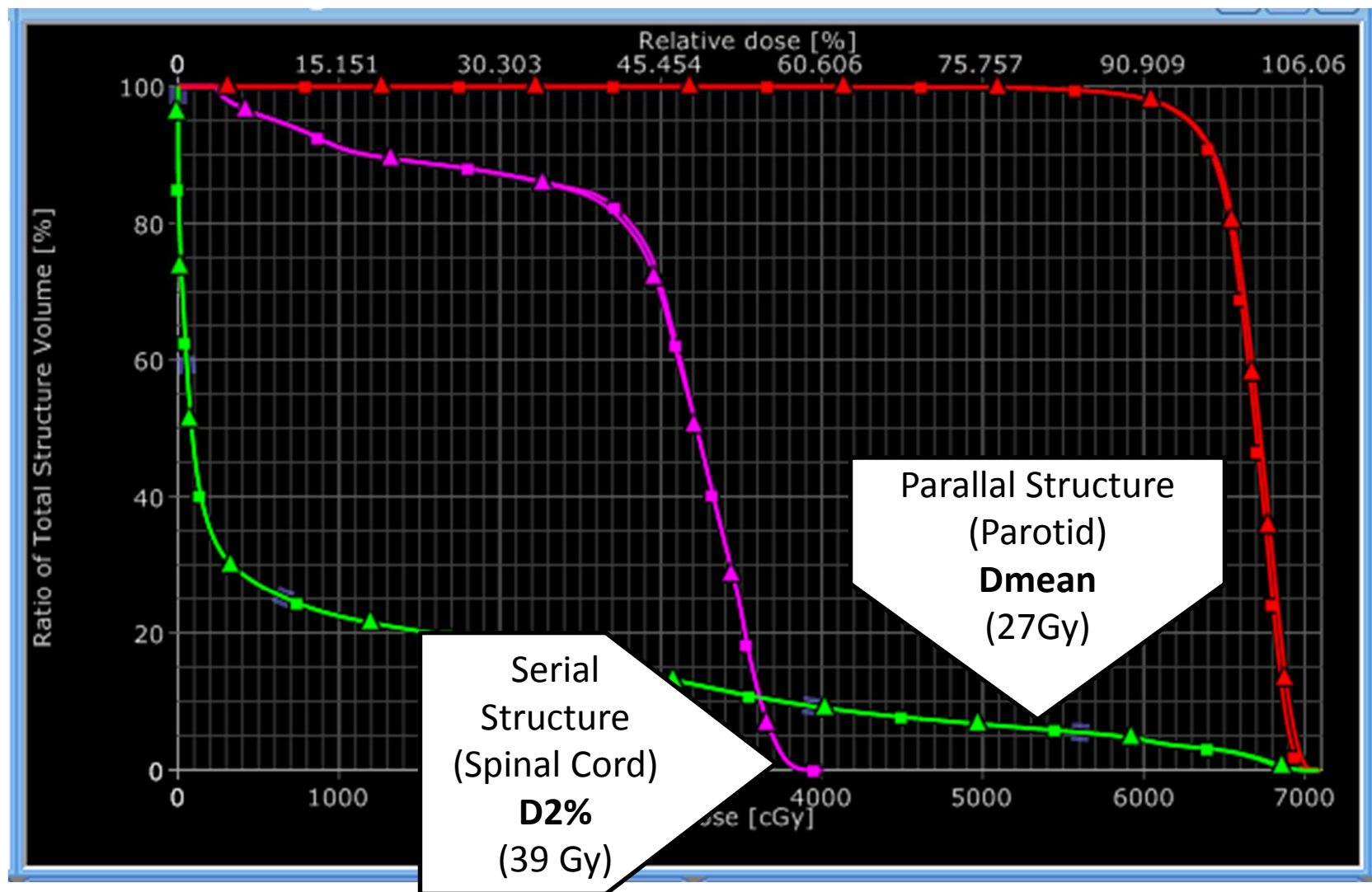


OAR & PRV

- Serial Organs: Spinal Cord, Esophagus
 - $D_{2\%}$ is important
 - Entire organ should be considered if possible
 - Minimum dimension of 15mm to be considered.
- Parallel organs: Parotid, Liver, Lung
 - D_{mean} is important
 - D_{mean} and D_{median} may not be same
- V_d in cases like Lungs (V_{20})

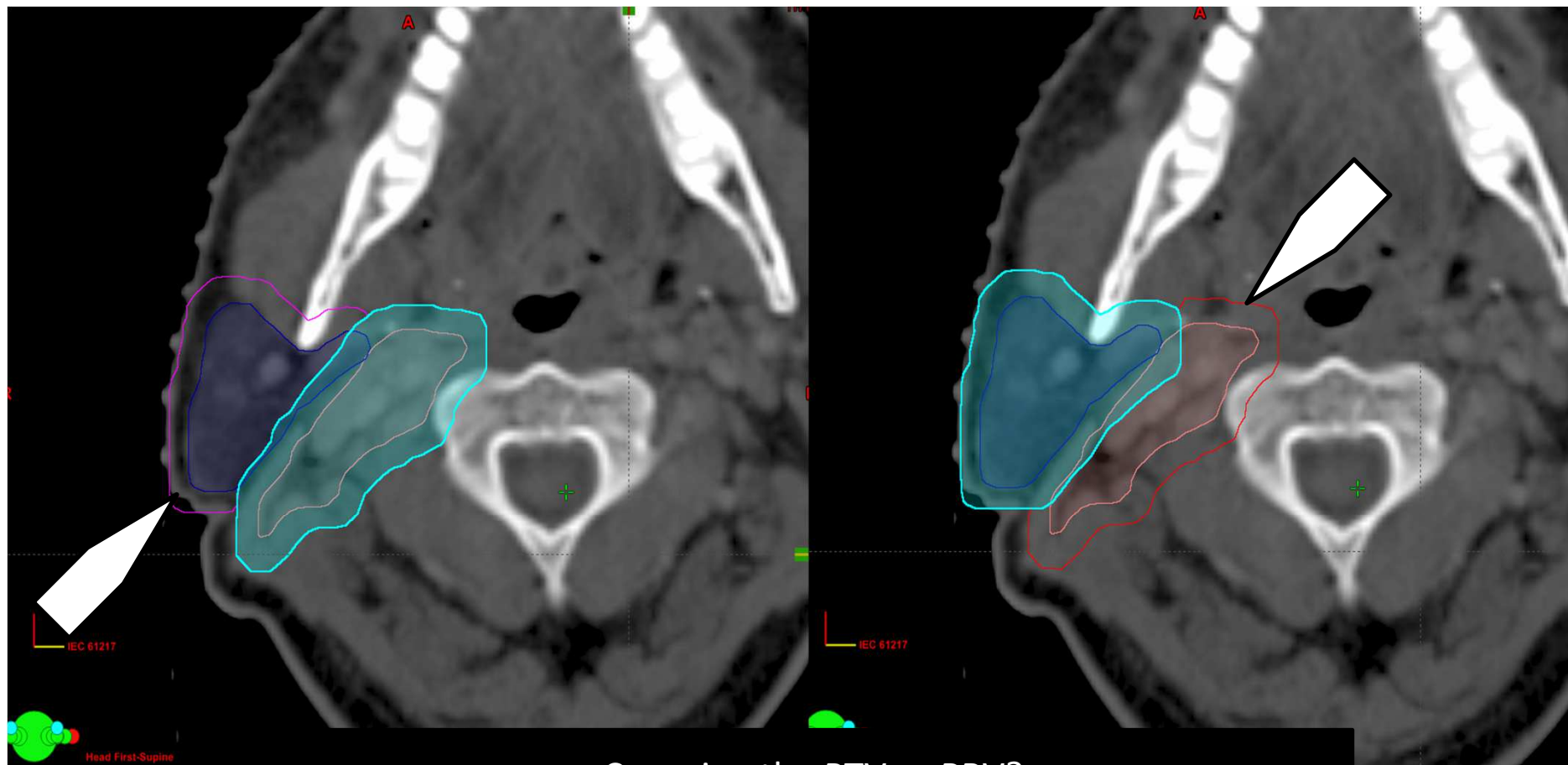


DVH of OAR (PRV)





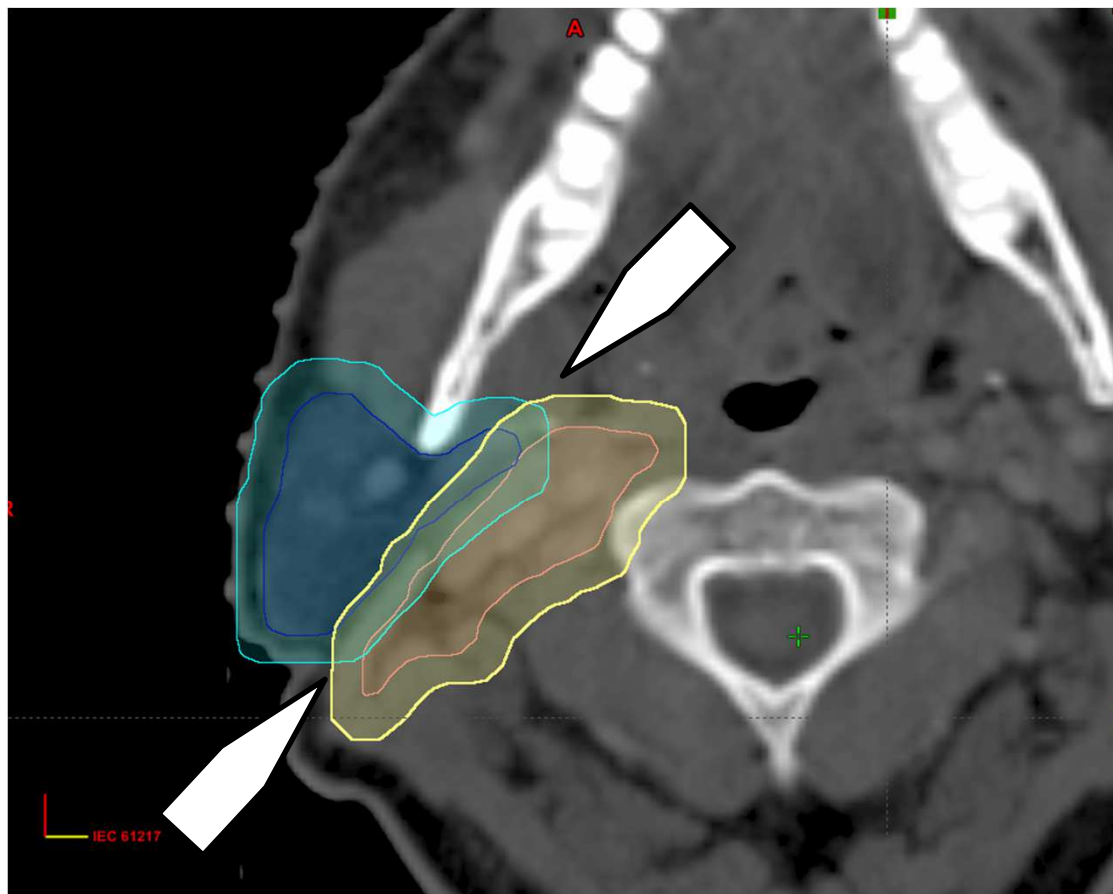
Overlapping CTV & OAR



Cropping the PTV or PRV?



No Cropping!



Planning constraints and priorities to be adjusted for desirable dose



Conformity Index ICRU 50

- Conformity Index (CI) = TV/PTV
- TV = treated volume is the tissue volume that receives at least the dose selected and specified
- CI => optimised close to 1.0
- For small volumes CI up to 2 can be acceptable (SRS)
- For bigger volumes, CI should be closer to 1

Homogeneity Index (RTOG-1993)

$$HI_{\text{RTOG}} = I_{\text{max}}/RI$$

(I_{max} = maximum isodose in the target, RI reference isodose)

Ideal $HI \leq 2$

Minor violation = 2 to 2.5

Major violation > 2.5 (Clinical discretion needed)

Alternative formula

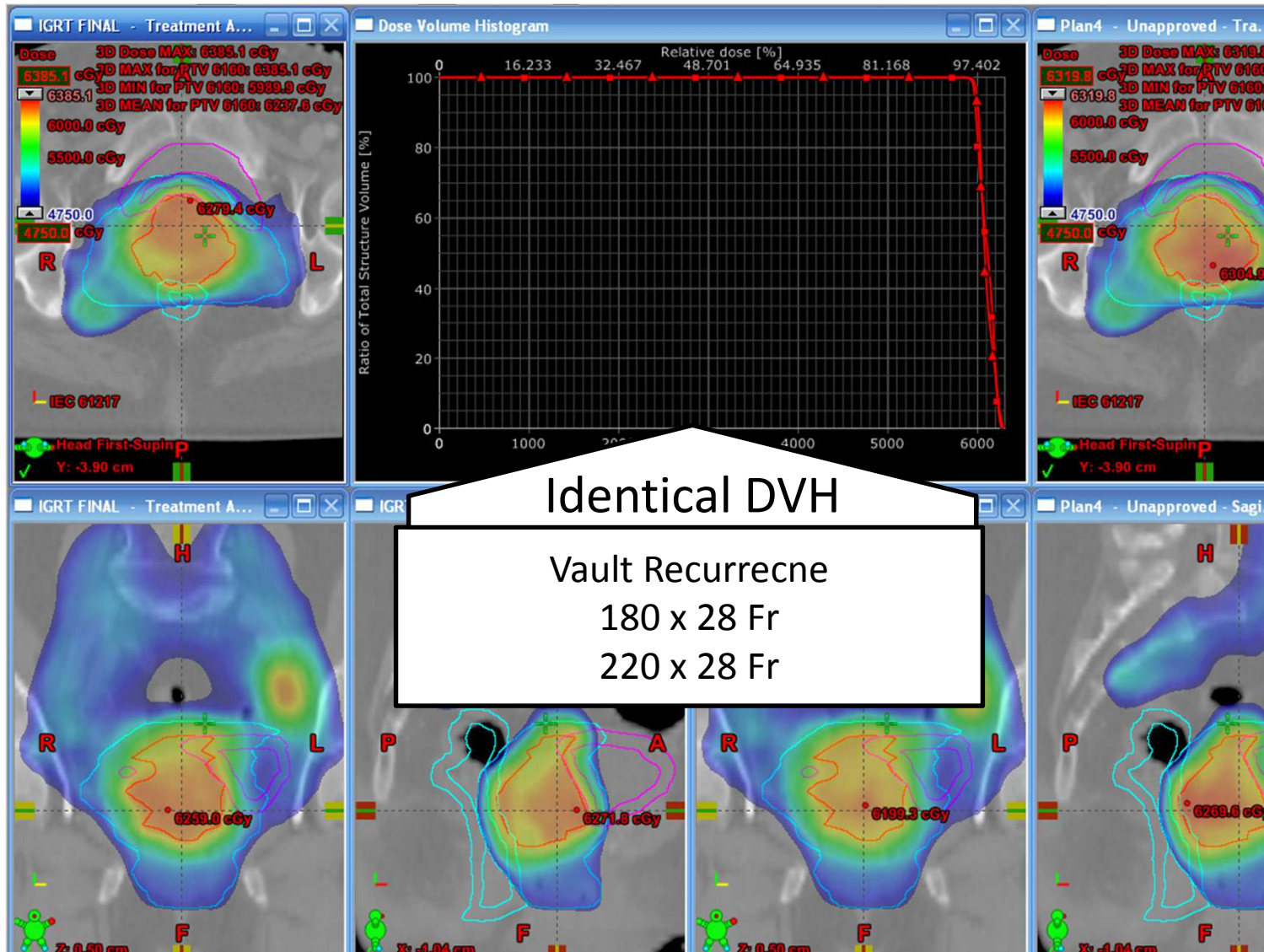
$$HI = D_2 - D_{98}/DP \times 100$$

(D_2 = minimum dose to 2 % of the target)

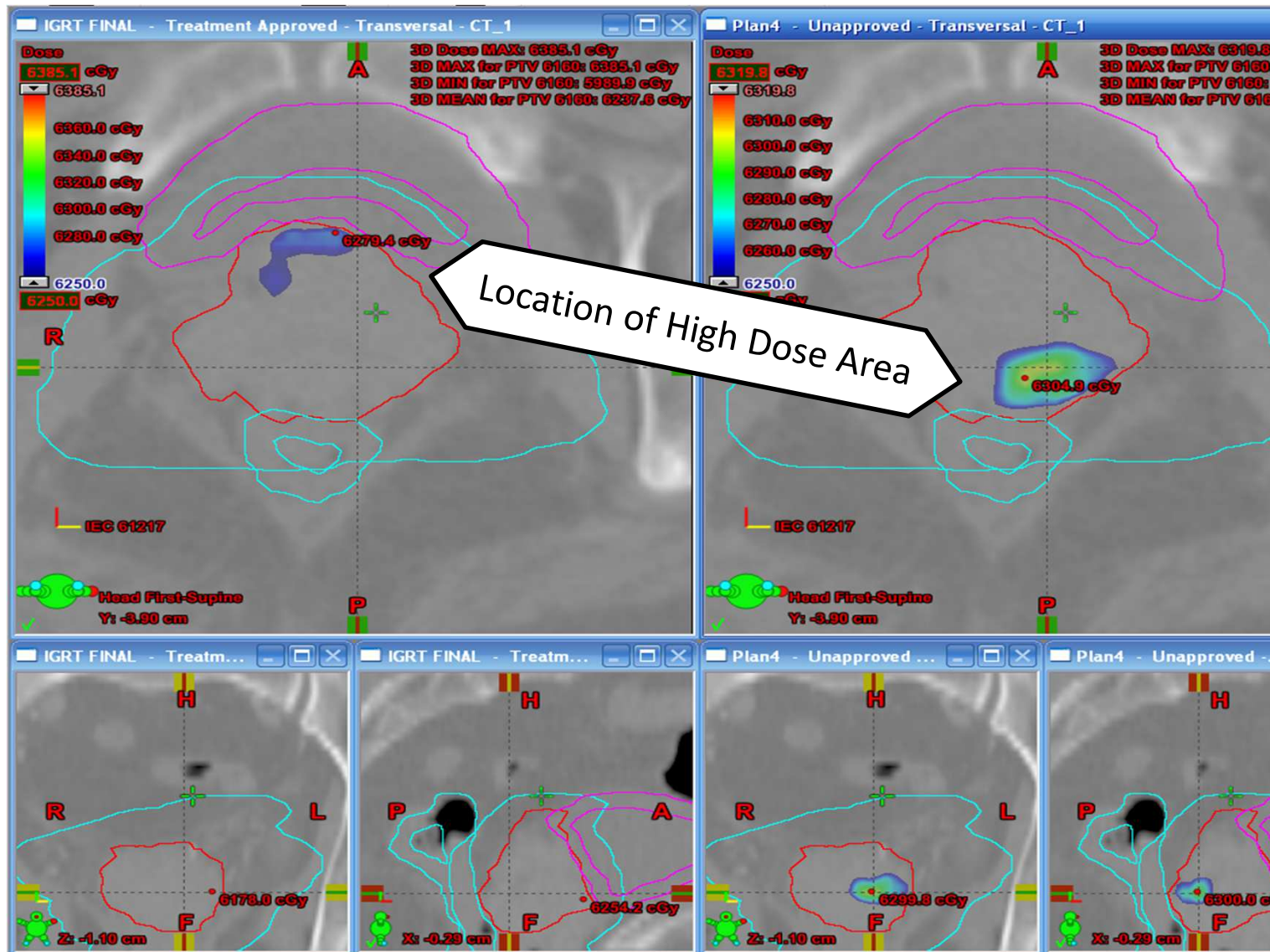
D_{98} = minimum dose to 98% of the target

D_p = prescribed dose)

What the DVH doesn't tell

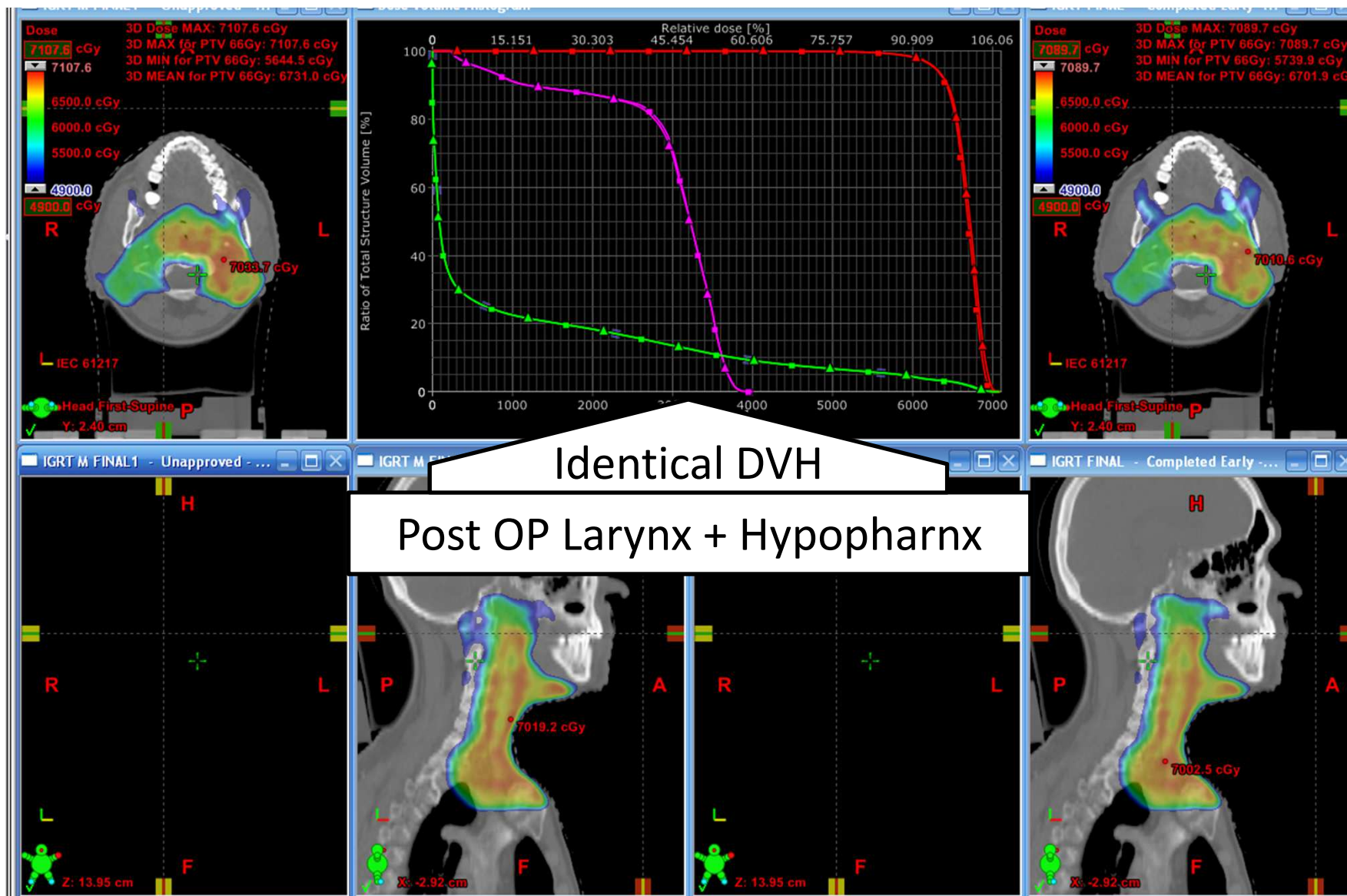


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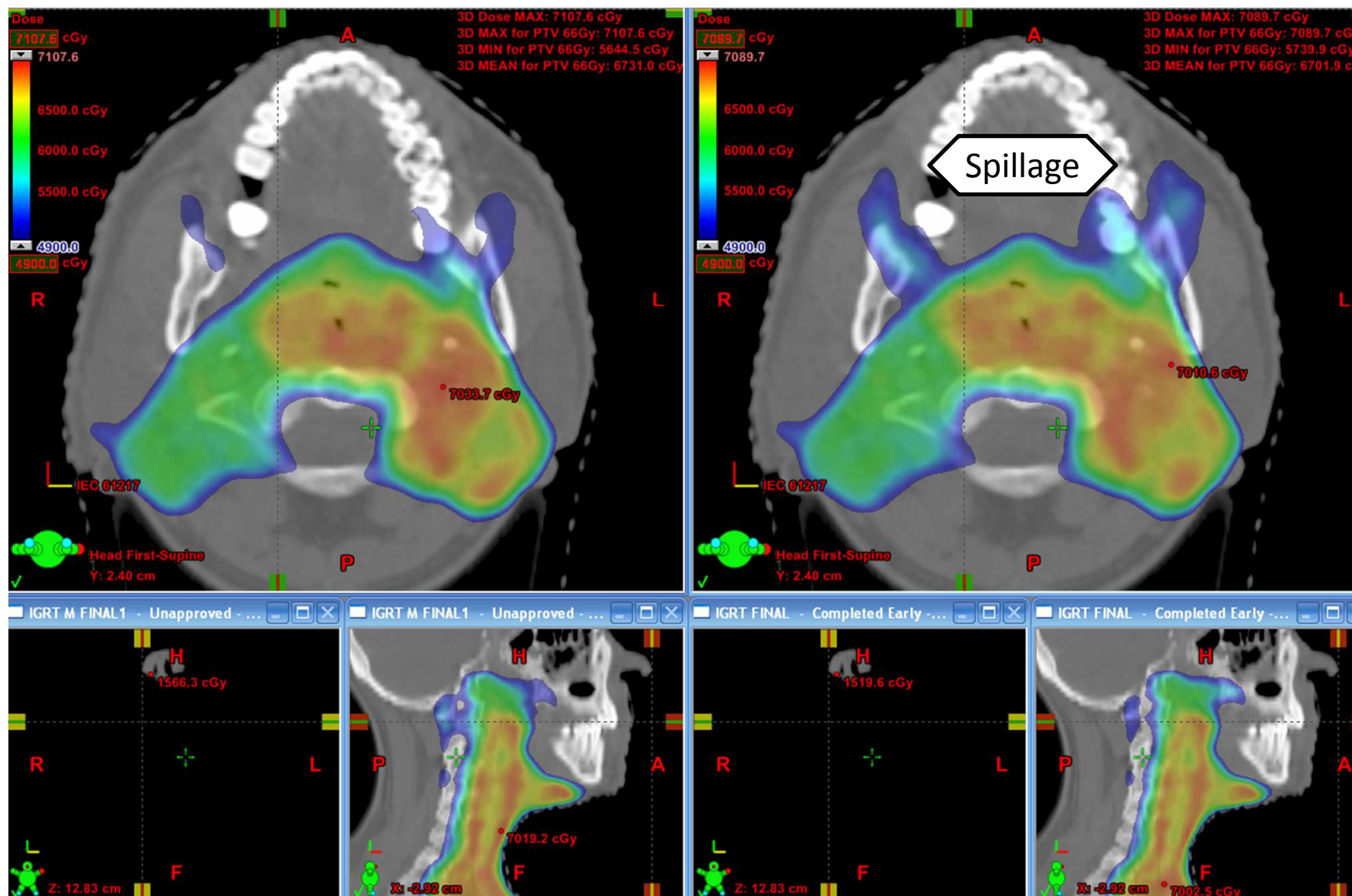


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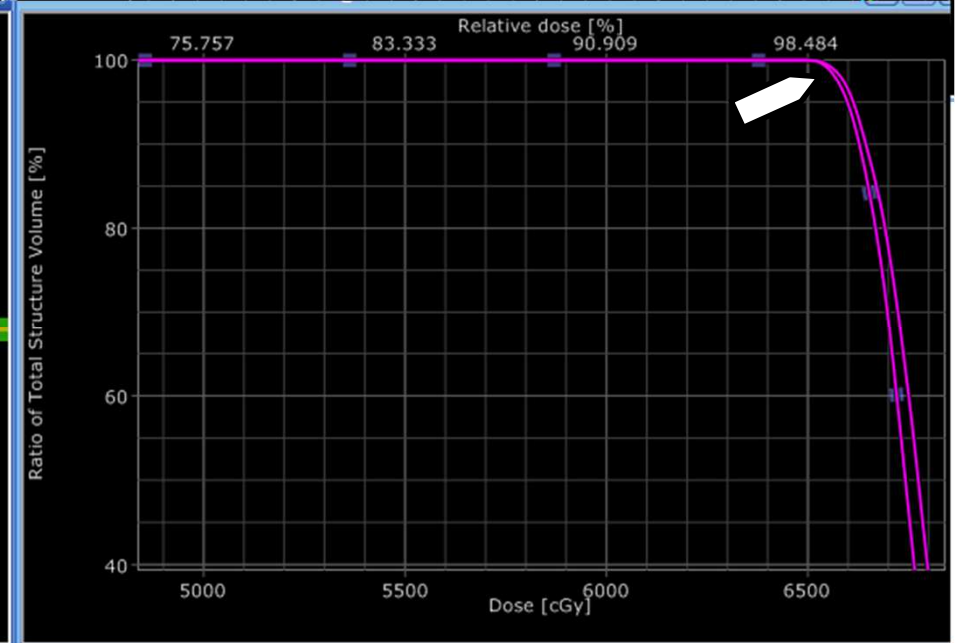
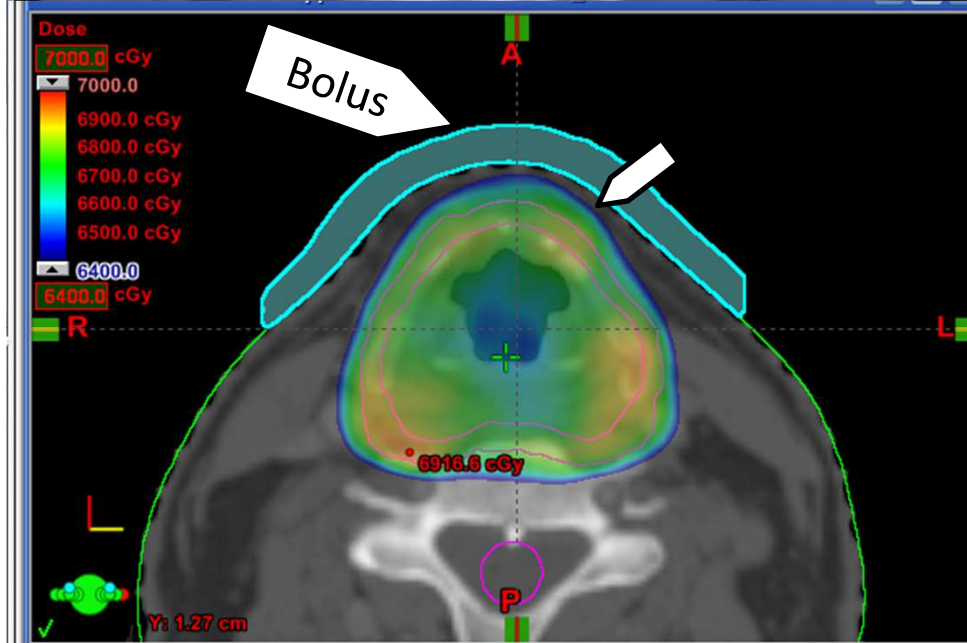
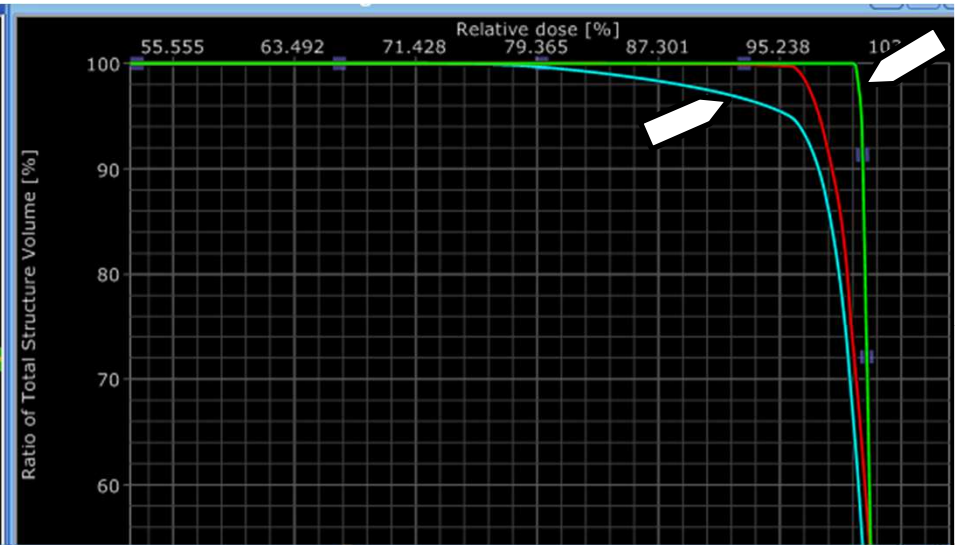
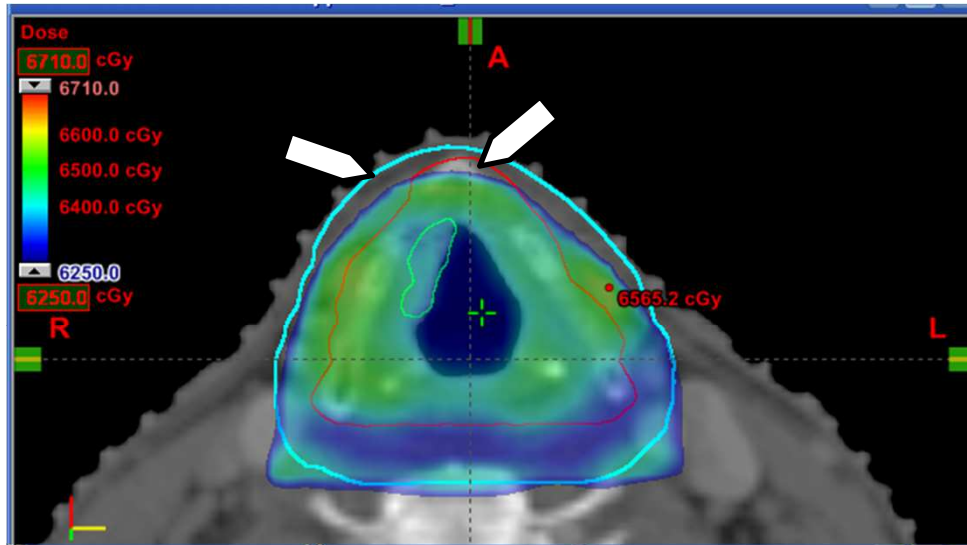




What the DVH doesn't tell



Unacceptable Skin Sparing





Learning for the day

- Definitions of different volumes
- 2D to 3D to IMRT planning
- Evaluation of dose at a relevant point
- Evaluation of dose as a volume
- Accounting for inhomogeneity



Learning for the day

- Mathematical and graphical representation of dose across a volume
- Hot spots & cold spots
- Conformity & Homogeneity indices
- Clinical relevance of a given isodose line
- Ability to choose a proper radiation plan on the basis of these variables



Thank You

