

# Hypofractionation for Primary and Metastatic Lung Tumors



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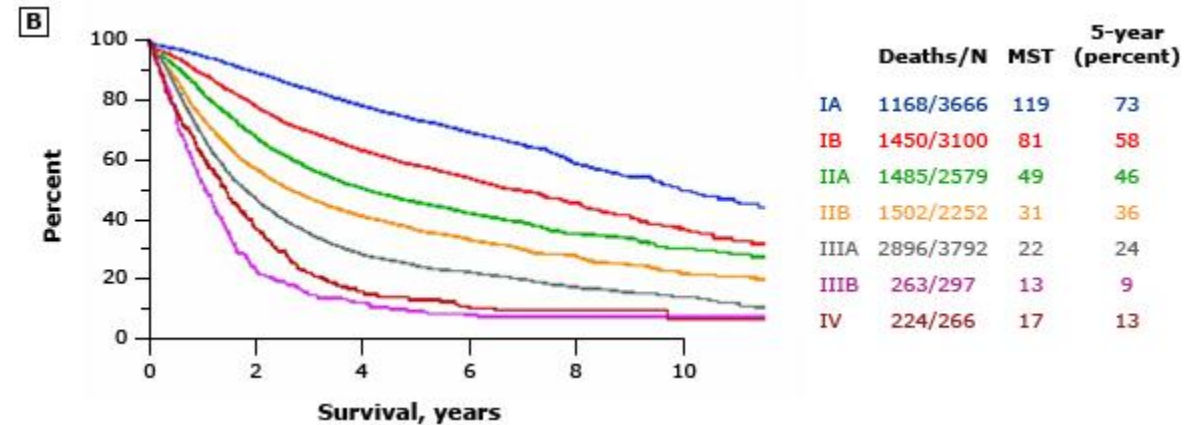
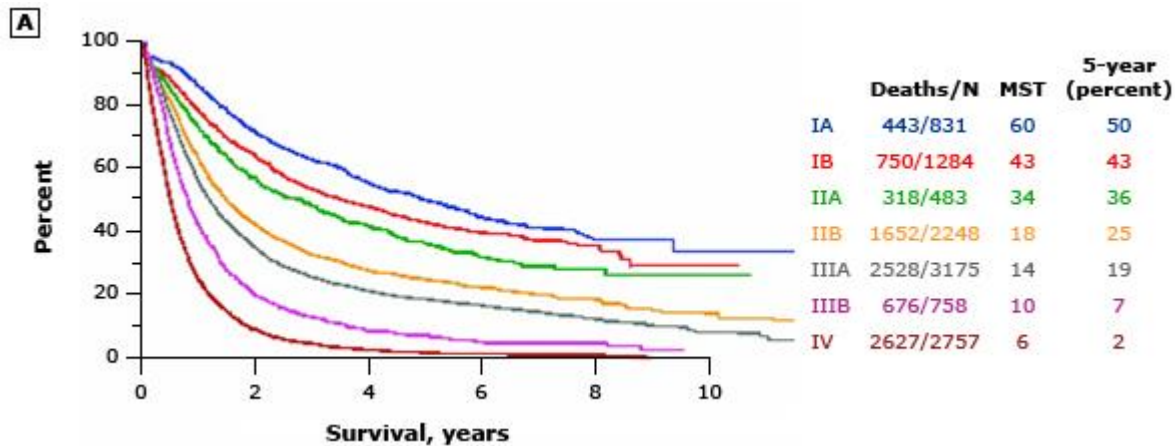
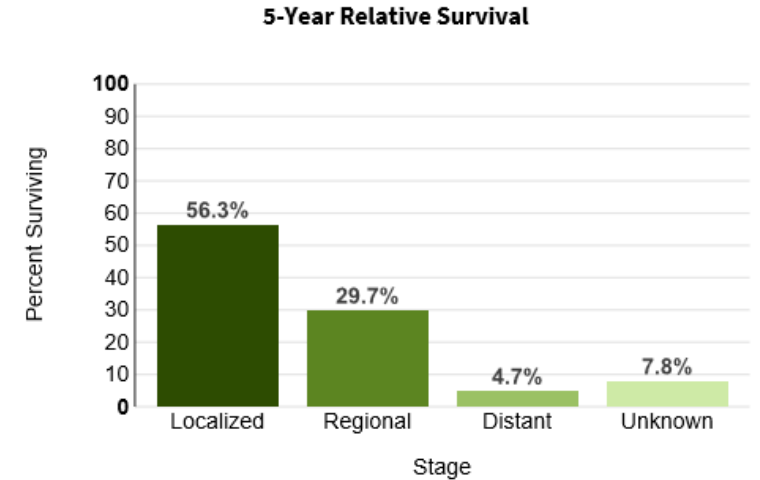
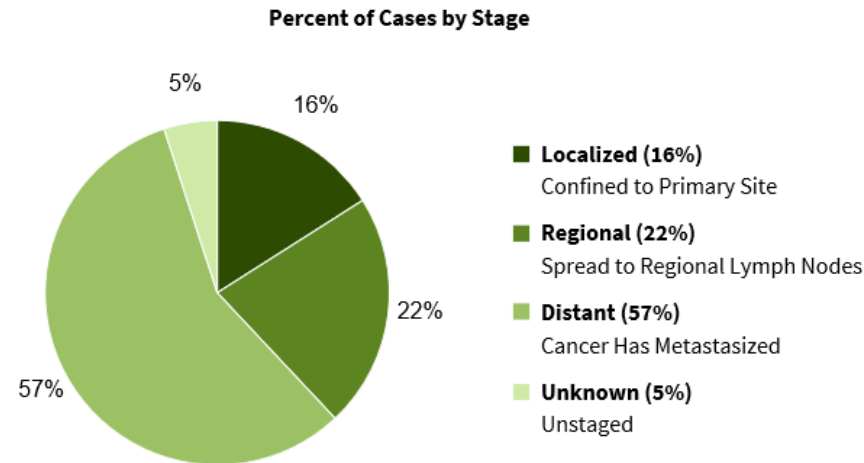
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# The Story of Lung Cancer

- **The Beginning:** Prevention
    - Smoking cessation (combined pharmacologic and behavioral therapy is most effective)
    - Low-dose CT screening (age 50,  $\geq 20$  pack-years, cessation  $< 15$  years ago)
  - **The Middle:** Diagnosis and Treatment
    - Integration of multidisciplinary care provided by various oncologists
    - Monitoring for recurrence
    - Survivorship care
  - **The End:** Palliation
    - Early palliative care involvement
    - Effective symptom management
    - Appropriate advance care planning and use of hospice
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# Lung Cancer Incidence and Prognosis

T/M	Subcategory	N0	N1	N2	N3
T1	T1a	IA1	IIB	IIIA	IIIB
	T1b	IA2	IIB	IIIA	IIIB
	T1c	IA3	IIB	IIIA	IIIB
T2	T2a	IB	IIB	IIIA	IIIB
	T2b	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB
T3	T3	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IIIC
T4	T4	IIIA	IIIA	IIIB	IIIC
M1	M1a	IVA	IVA	IVA	IVA
	M1b	IVA	IVA	IVA	IVA
	M1c	IVB	IVB	IVB	IVB



Overall survival, expressed as median survival time (MST) and five-year survival, using the seventh edition of TNM staging system by (A) clinical stage and (B) pathologic stage.

# Recent trends you have observed?

- Lung cancer incidence?
  - Smoking trends?
  - Lung cancer in non-smokers?
  - Stage of diagnosis – any change?
  - Most common histology?
  - Optimal staging investigations being done?
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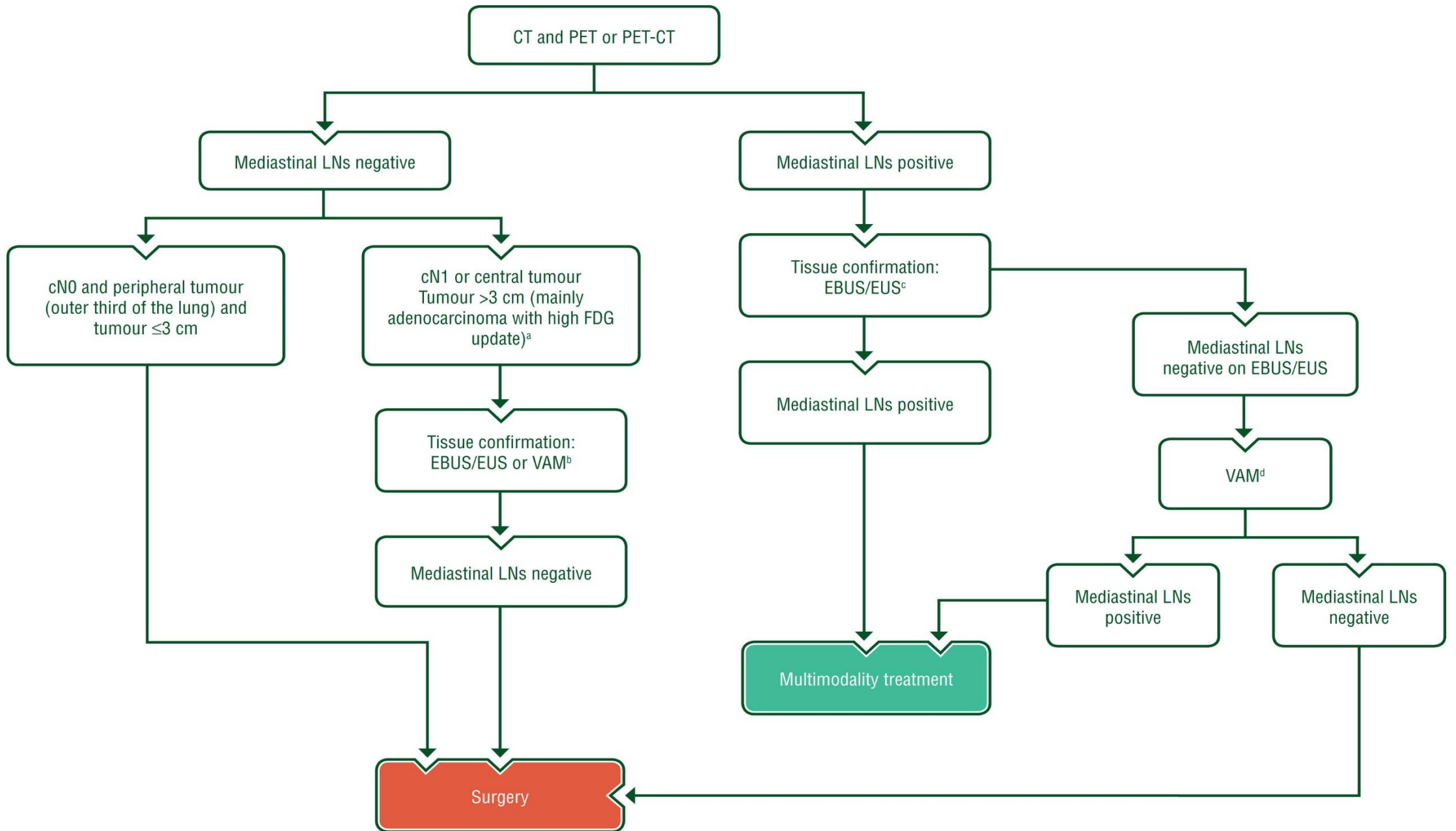
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# Management of NSCLC

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# Work up

- Blood tests
  - PFT
  - Biopsy
  - Molecular markers
  - PET CT
  - MRI Brain
  - EBUS
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# Treatment Modalities

- **Surgery**

- Open vs. VATS or Robotic-assisted Approaches
- Lobectomy vs. Pneumonectomy vs. Sublobar Resection

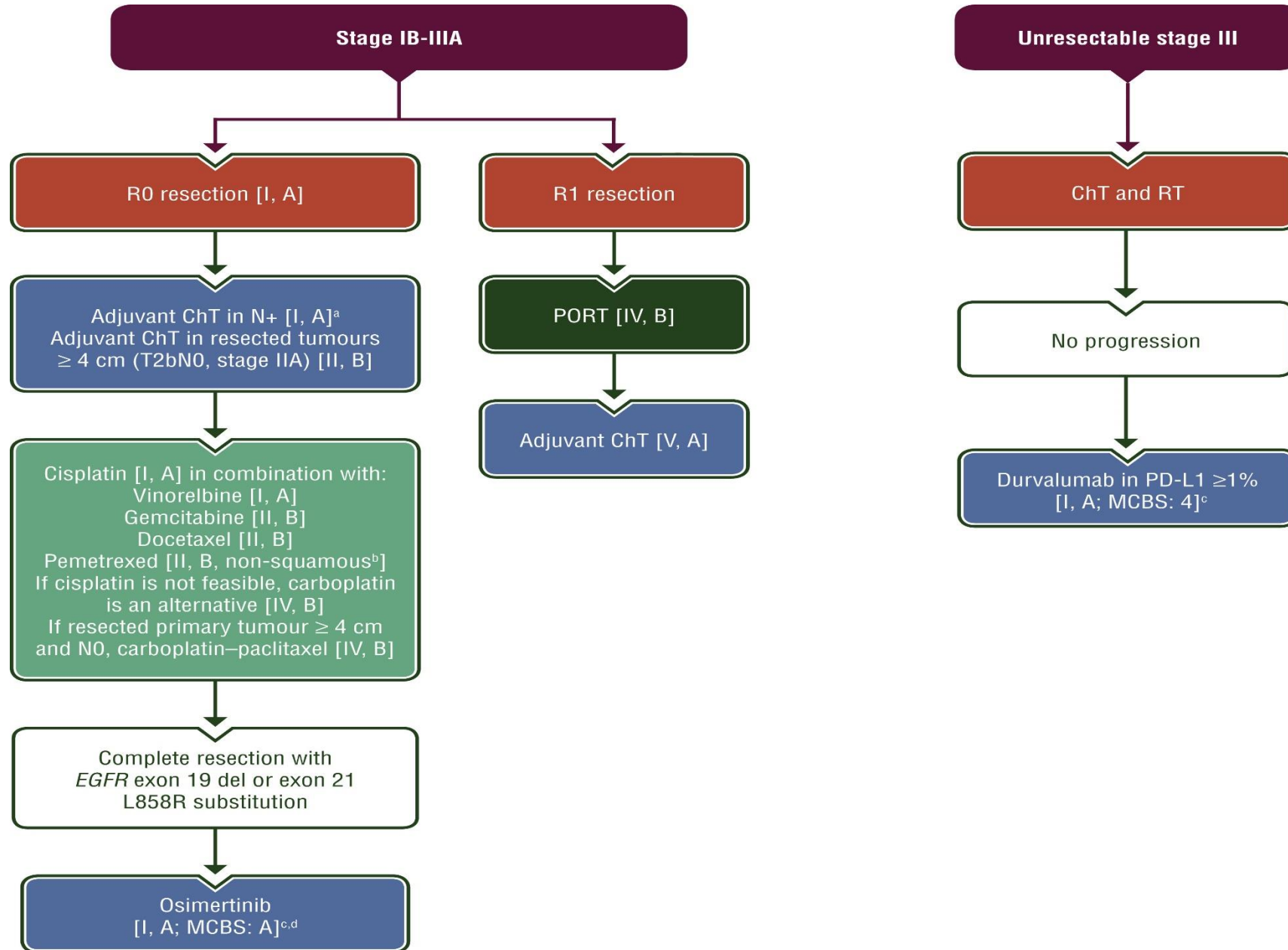
- **Systemic Therapy**

- Chemotherapy
- Targeted Therapy
- Immunotherapy

- **Radiation**

- External Beam Radiation Therapy
  - 3-Dimensional Conformal Radiation Therapy (3-D CRT)
  - Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT)
- Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT/SABR)
- Proton Therapy (PT)





# Basic Principles of Surgical Selection

- **The definition of medically inoperable varies substantially between surgeons**
- PFTs that suggest a patient should tolerate surgery include:
  - Pre-op FEV<sub>1</sub> >1.8-2 L (or ≥80% predicted) if patient needs a pneumonectomy
  - Pre-op FEV<sub>1</sub> >1.2-1.5L if patient needs a lobectomy
  - Predicted post-op FEV<sub>1</sub> >800 mL (>40% predicted)
  - DLCO > 50-60%
  - Resection of tumor in a dominant area of emphysema may have less impact on post-op lung function
- Patients with cardiac risk factors should have a preoperative cardiologic evaluation
- Contemporary 30-day mortality rates are 1-3% for lobectomy or sublobar resection and 2-11% for pneumonectomy

## Management of Stage I + II NSCLC

- Surgery alone is the standard treatment choice !*
  - Lobectomy: optimal procedure
  - Wedge resection: 3x LR/ 30% more mortality (Ginsberg 1995) but newer series show no worse outcome with limited surgery (Lee 2003, El Sherif 2006)
  - Wedge resection for small tumors (<3cm) and elderly patients
  - No randomized trials, but excellent results (randomized trial 'Surgery- Radiotherapy' underway)
  - Adjuvant Cisplatin-based ChT for stage II for stage IB data is conflicting
  - No adjuvant radiotherapy after radical surgery (i.e. RO)
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# Definitive Radiotherapy for Stage I + II NSCLC

- Alternative for comorbid patients who are not fit for surgery
- For patients who refuse surgery
- 60 - 66Gy to primary(+/- 50Gy to part of mediastinum, if feasible)

*Review of 26 nonrandomized trials (Powell 2001)*

	Cancer-specific Survival	OS (RT)	OS (surgery)
2y	54 - 93 %	22 - 72 %	67%
3y	22 - 56 %	17 - 55%	
5y	13 - 39 %	0 - 42 %	47%

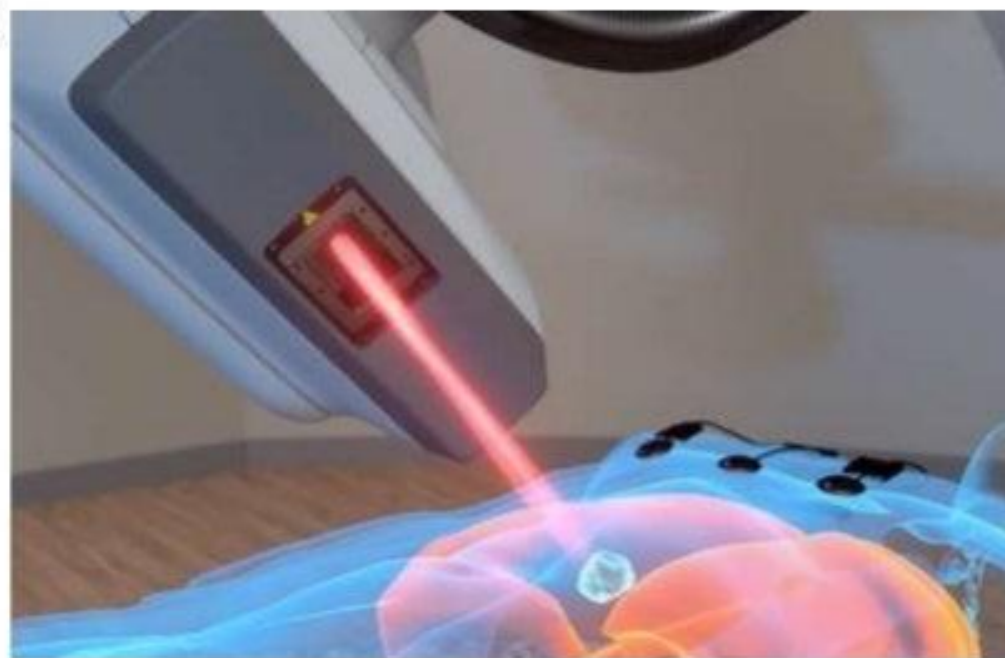
Non-cancer deaths following RT: 11 - 43%

(reflecting the poor health status of pts. treated in these studies)

- Clinical stage I only in 57% pathologic stage I (Lopez 2005)

# Introduction

- SBRT (also known as SABR) uses short courses of very high (ablative), highly conformal, and dose-intensive RT precisely delivered to limited-size targets.
- Current standard-of-care for early-stage, nonoperative NSCLC is stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT)
- SBRT is a **noninvasive treatment** involving the **precise delivery** of ablative dose radiation
- Compared with fractionated radiation, SBRT achieves superior local control and survival



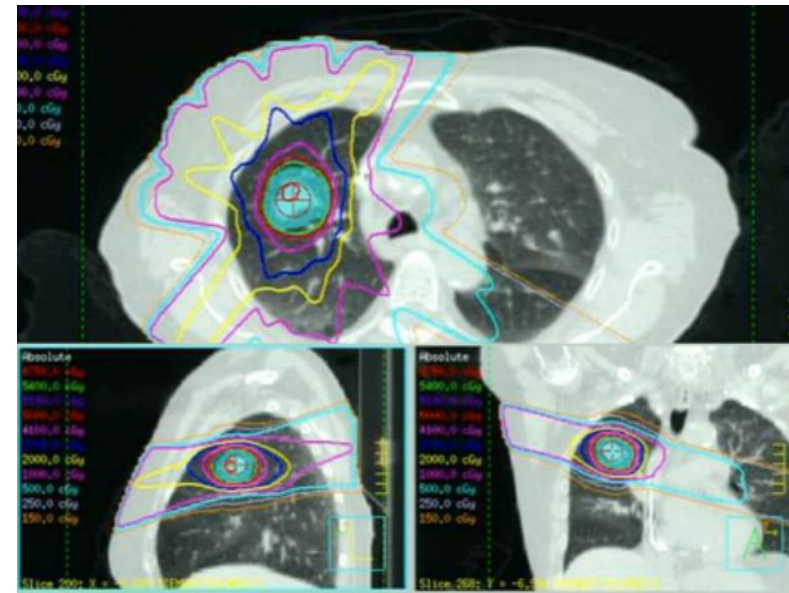
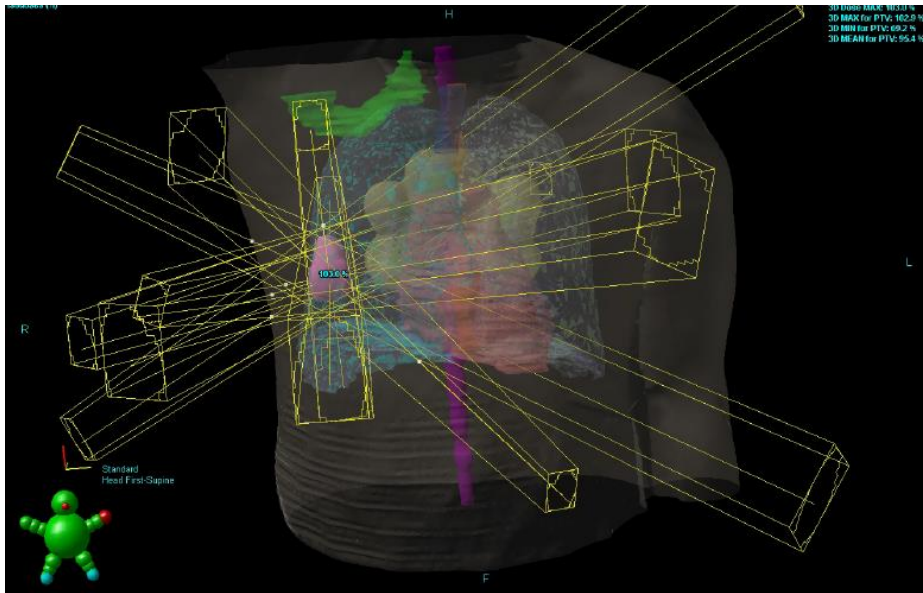
# Definition of SBRT

- Method of Ext beam radiotherapy
- Accurately deliver
- High dose of irradiation
- One or few treatment fractions
- Extracranial target



# Hypofractionation Using SBRT/SABR

- For early-stage NSCLC
  - Smaller target volume treated with highly conformal SBRT/SABR plan
- Risk-adapted dosing based on tumor location
  - Typically 10-18Gy/fraction in 3-5 fractions (total dose 48-54 Gy)
  - Ideally achieve Biologically Effective Dose (BED) > 100 Gy



# Comparing 3-D CRT/IMRT to SBRT/SABR

	3DCRT/IMRT	SBRT/SABR
Target Type	<p><math>\geq 1</math> target (e.g., primary + nodes)</p> <p>Any size</p> <p>Close proximity to (or overlapping) critical organs</p>	<p>Single well-defined target</p> <p>Small-medium size</p> <p>Sufficient distance from critical organs</p>
Dose/Fraction	Low	High
# Fractions	30-35	1-5
Biologically Effective Dose	70-90 Gy	$\geq 100$ Gy
Dose Conformity	Moderate - High	Very High
Immobilization	Secure	Very Secure
Image-Guidance	Should be performed daily, especially IMRT/PT	Required Daily
5 Year Local/Lobar Control	50-75%	85-95%



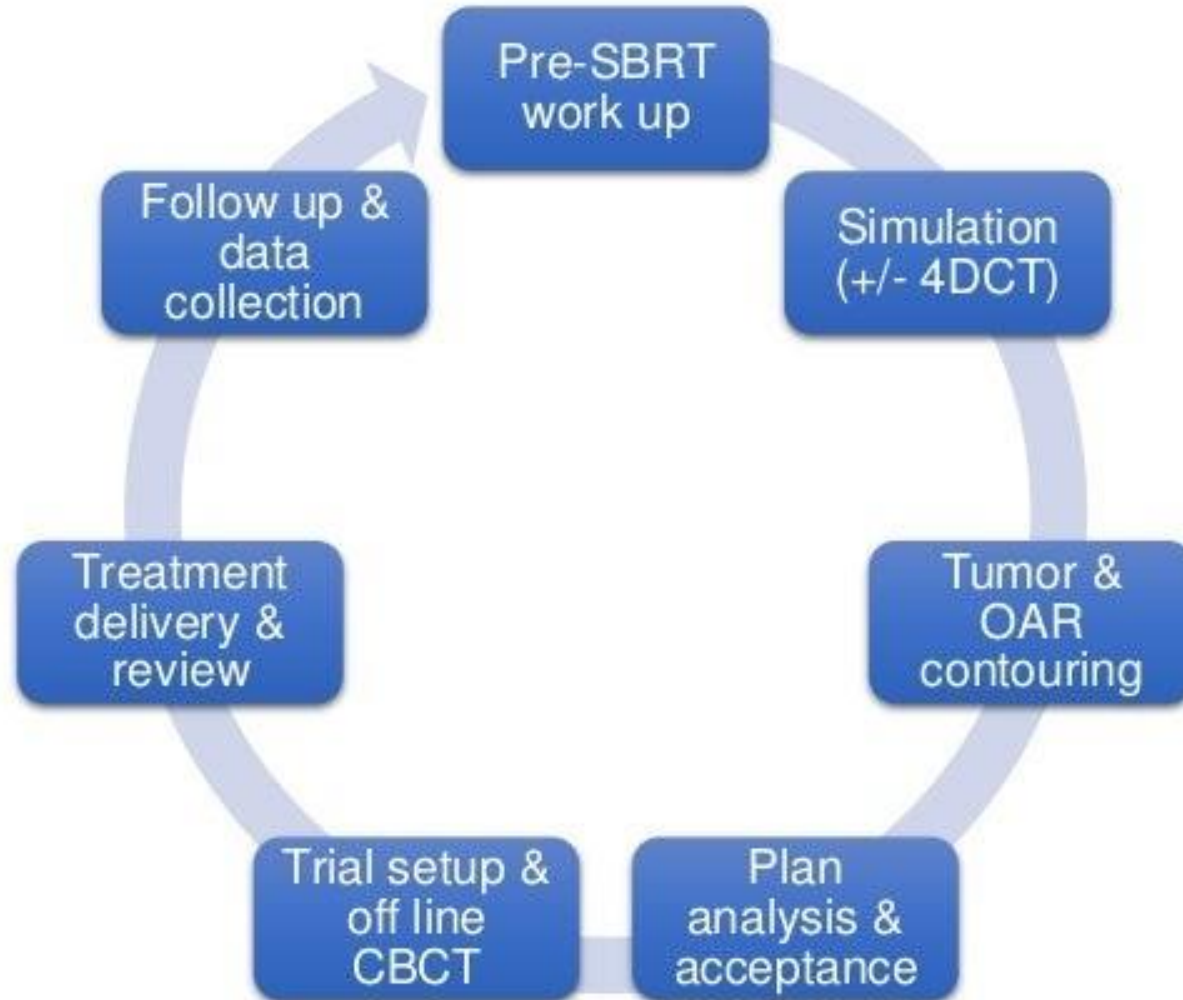
# Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT)

- Ultra precise treatment planning (fixation, IGRT)
- High doses (e.g. 4x12Gy), but optimal dose /fx not known
- Dose response relationship: BED > 100Gy vs. <100Gy

Results (Lagerwaard 2008):

1y- / 2y- OS:	81 / 64%	
1y- / 2y- DFS:	83 / 68%	(88 / 81% for stage IA)
Median OS:	34 months	
Local failure rate:	7%	
Regional failure:	9%	
Distant failure:	11%	
Severe late toxicities:	<3%	

# The work flow



# Pre requisites for SBRT

- Equipment
- Staff teaching and training
- Patient selection for SBRT
- Patient counselling
- Treatment planning
- Dose and fractionation
- Radiotherapy planning steps
- Inter- and intra-fraction image guidance
- Quality assurance
- Follow-up

# TEAM



# Equipment

## Mandatory

- C-arm linear accelerator with volumetric in-room image guidance
- Respiration correlated 4D-CT

## Recommended


- Dedicated C-arm stereotactic linear accelerator (more advanced IGRT, more precise accuracy)
- High-resolution MLC <10 mm

# Patient selection for SBRT

SBRT is recommended in the NSCLC for patients with

- ✓ **Stage I and II (T1-3,N0,M0)**
- ✓ NSCLC who are **medically inoperable**
- ✓ **High risk- elderly**
- ✓ **Refuse surgery** after appropriate consultation

SBRT has **no established role in small cell lung cancer**

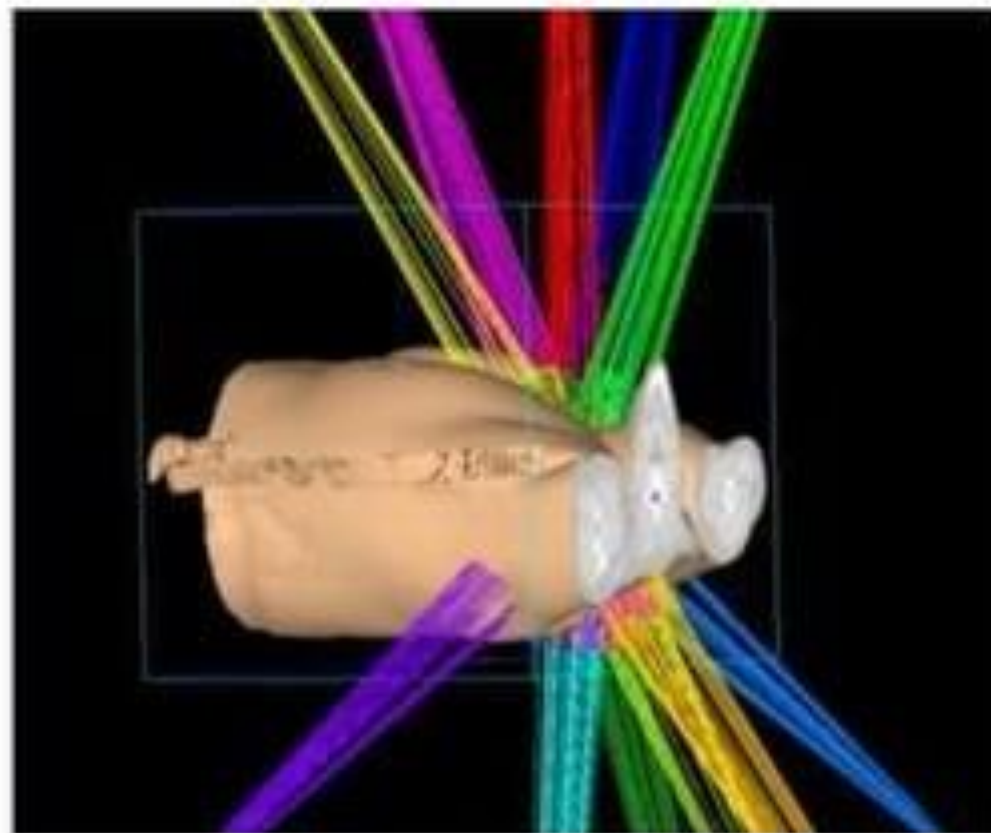
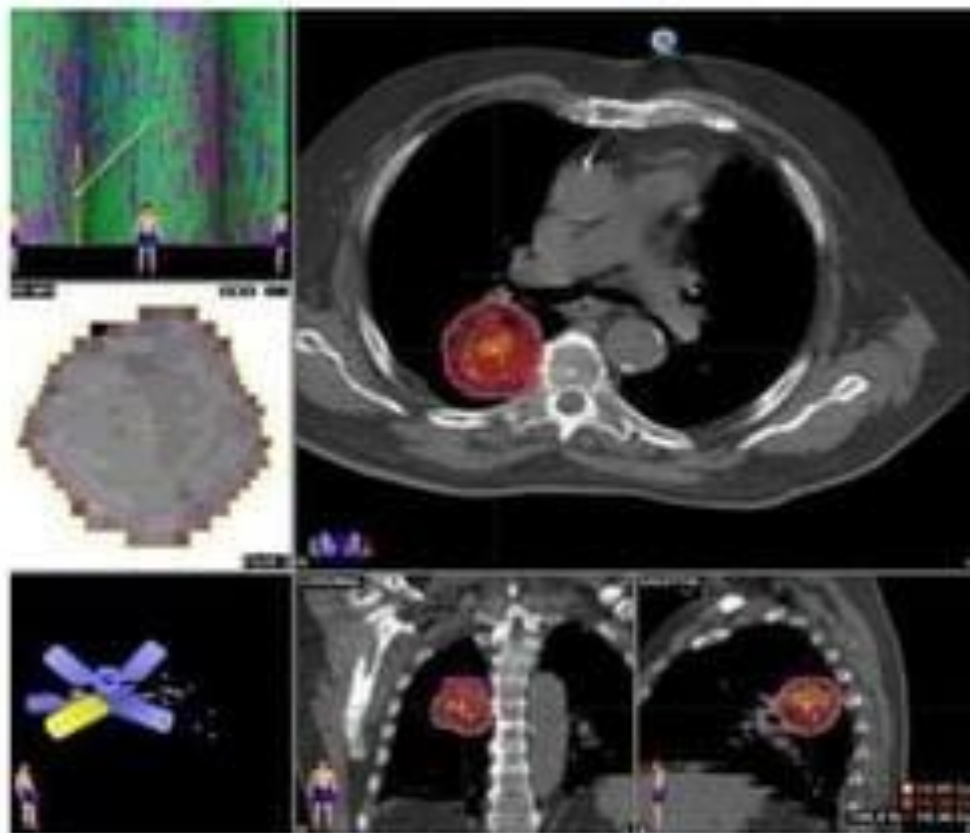
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- ✓ PFT (FEV1 or DLCO < 40%)
  - ✓ DM/CAD
  - ✓ Cerebral disease
  - ✓ Pul. HTN
  - ✓ PS 0-2
  - ✓ Able to lie flat for at least one hour

# Patient Positioning and Immobilization

- Stable and reproducible patient positioning is essential. If possible, patients should be positioned with both arms above the head as this position permits a greater choice of beam positions.
- Reproducible setup can be achieved using a stable arm support, in combination with knee support to improve patient comfort.

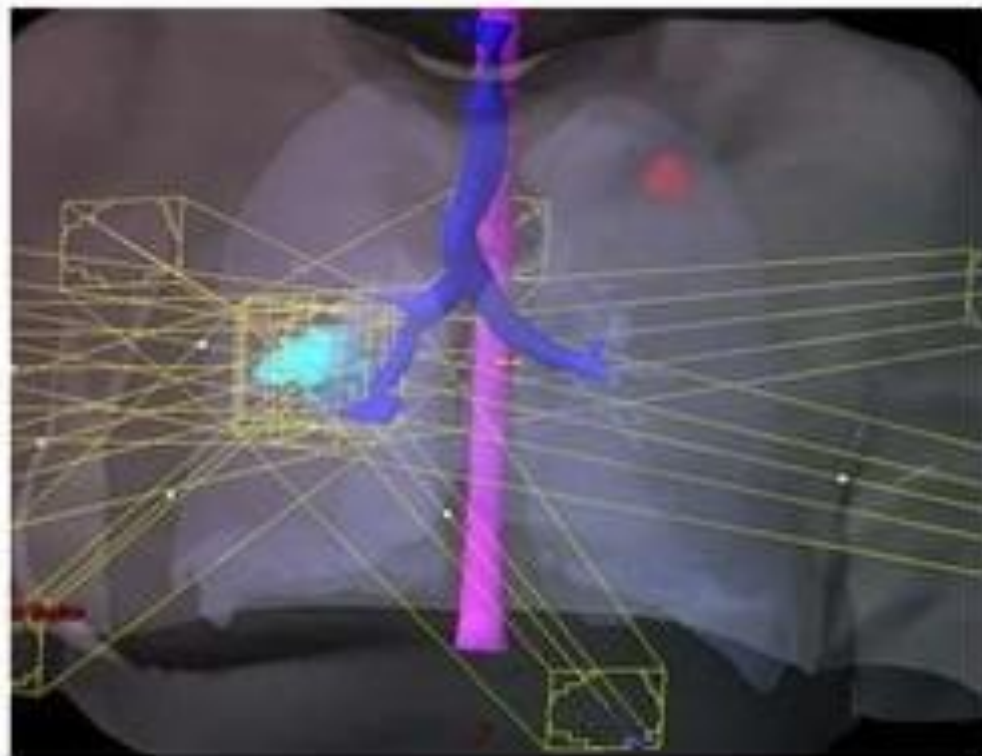


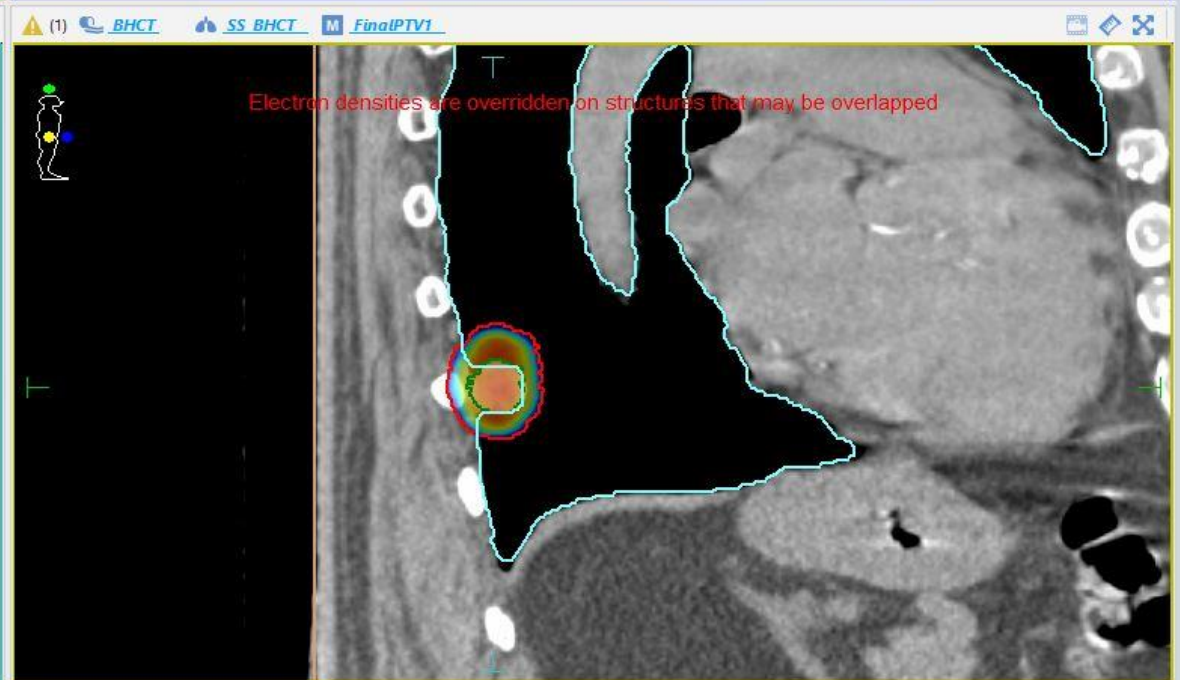
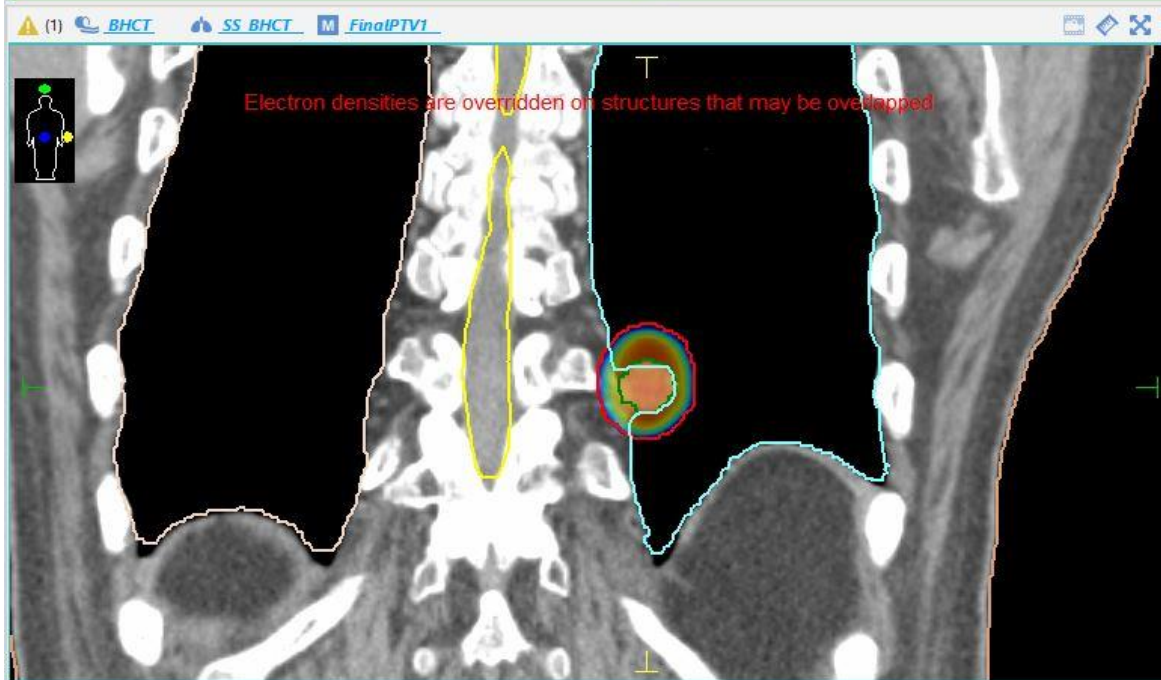
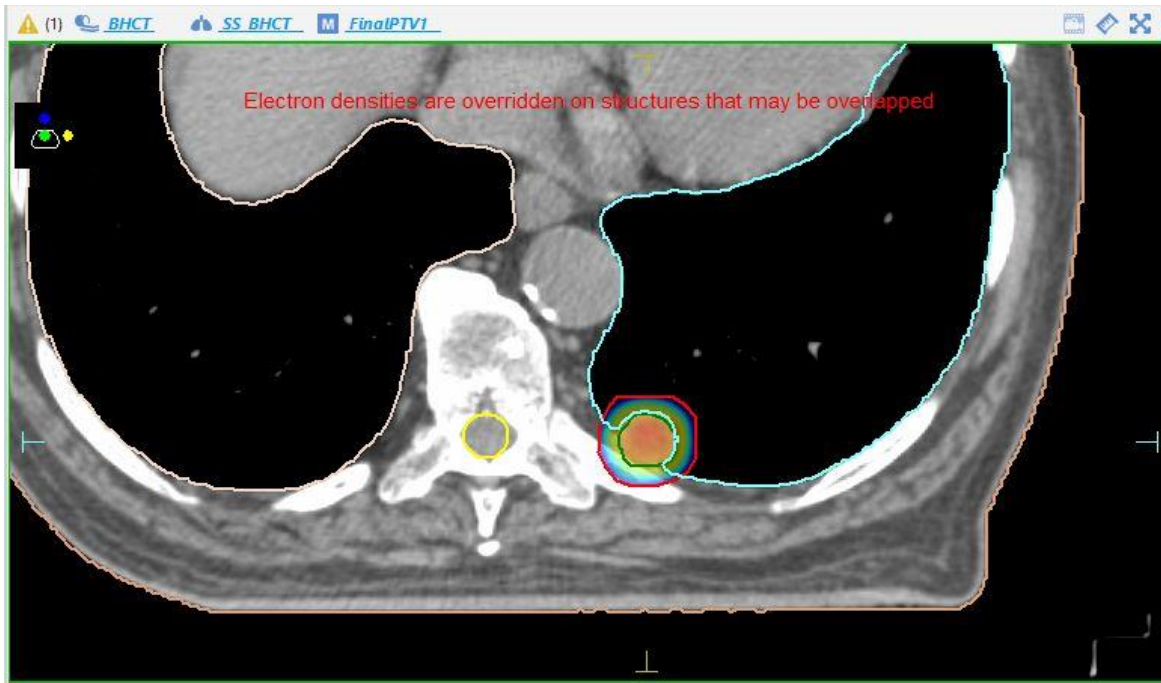
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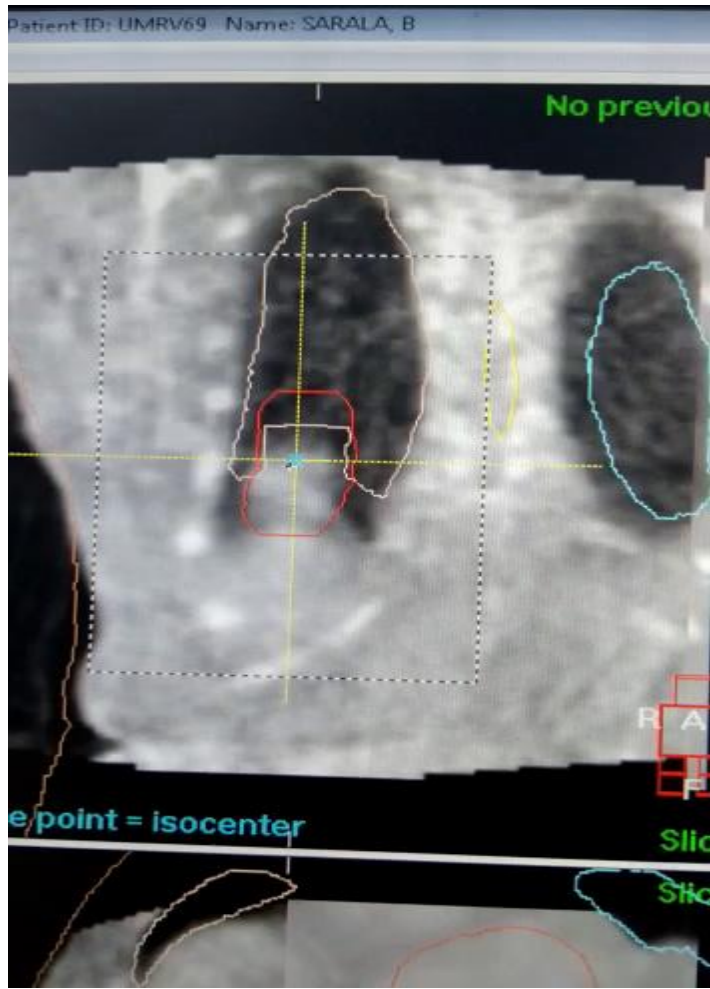
# Beam Placement





# **TECHNIQUES OF MOTION MANAGEMENT IN LUNG CANCER**





# Respiratory Motion Management

## Conventional (ITV-based)

- Contour and treat full tumor ROM

## Accelerator beam gating

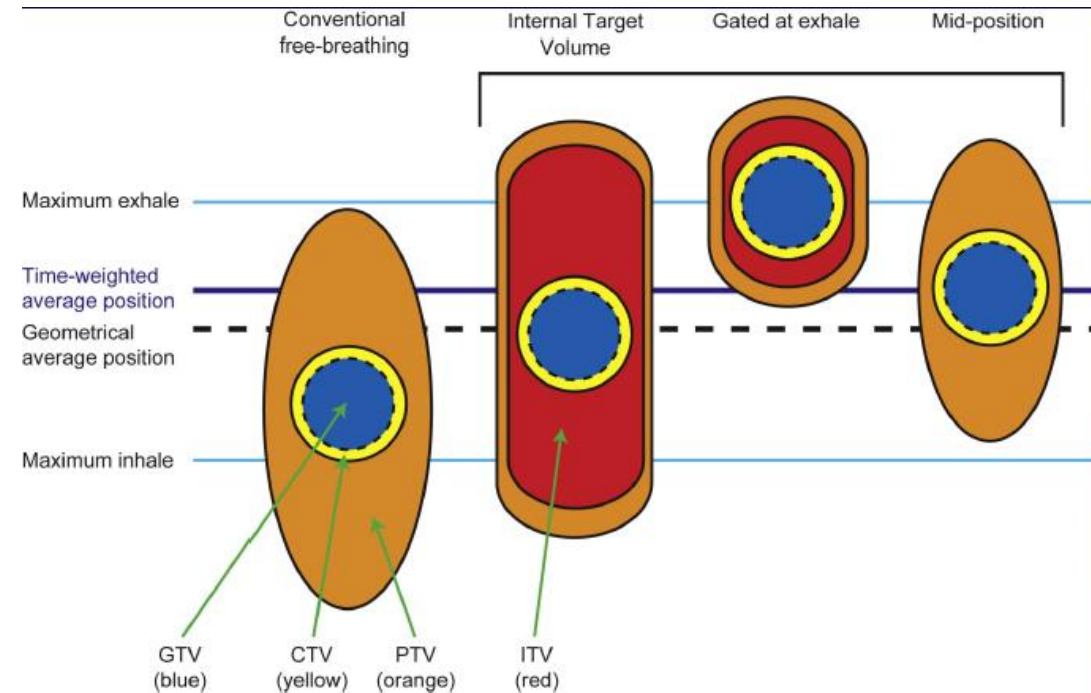
- Patient breathes normally; beam only on while patient is in a certain phase of the respiratory cycle

## Active breathing control

- Patient holds breath in a certain position; beam only on in that phase of the respiratory cycle

## Dynamic tumor tracking

- Patient breathes normally; tumor is tracked; beam always on and moves with tumor



Regardless of the motion management used, an additional “CTV/PTV” margin around our target is needed to ensure that we hit it.

# METHODS OF ASSESSING LUNG TUMOR MOTION DURING RESPIRATION

- Four dimensional computerised tomography (4DCT) / respiratory gated CT scans
- Slow CT scans

# METHODS TO CONTROL / COMPENSATE FOR LUNG MOTION DURING RESPIRATION

## Free breathing methods:

- Internal Target Volume (ITV)-based treatment
- Gating
- Tracking

## Breath-hold methods:

- Active Breathing Coordinator (ABC)

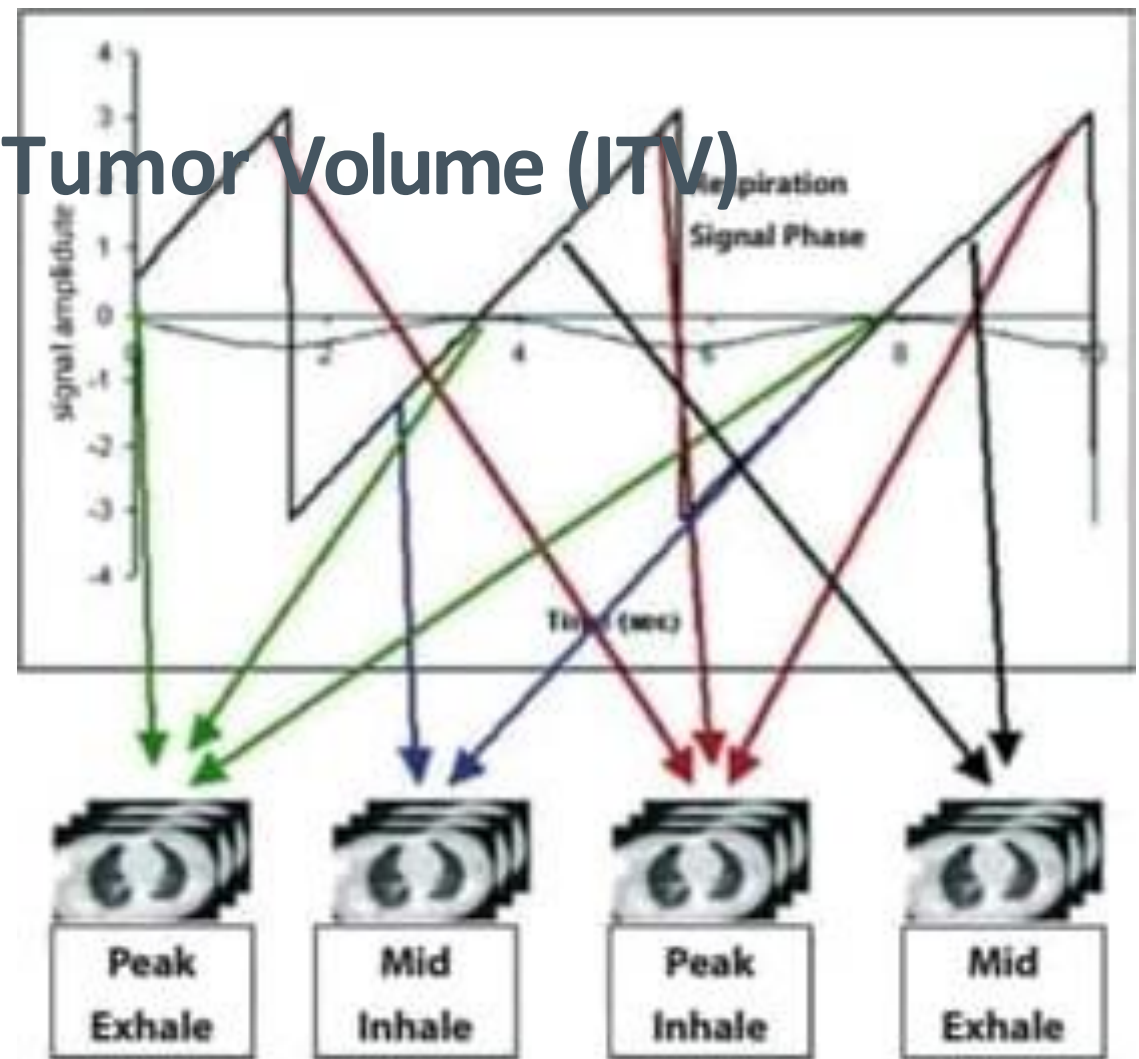
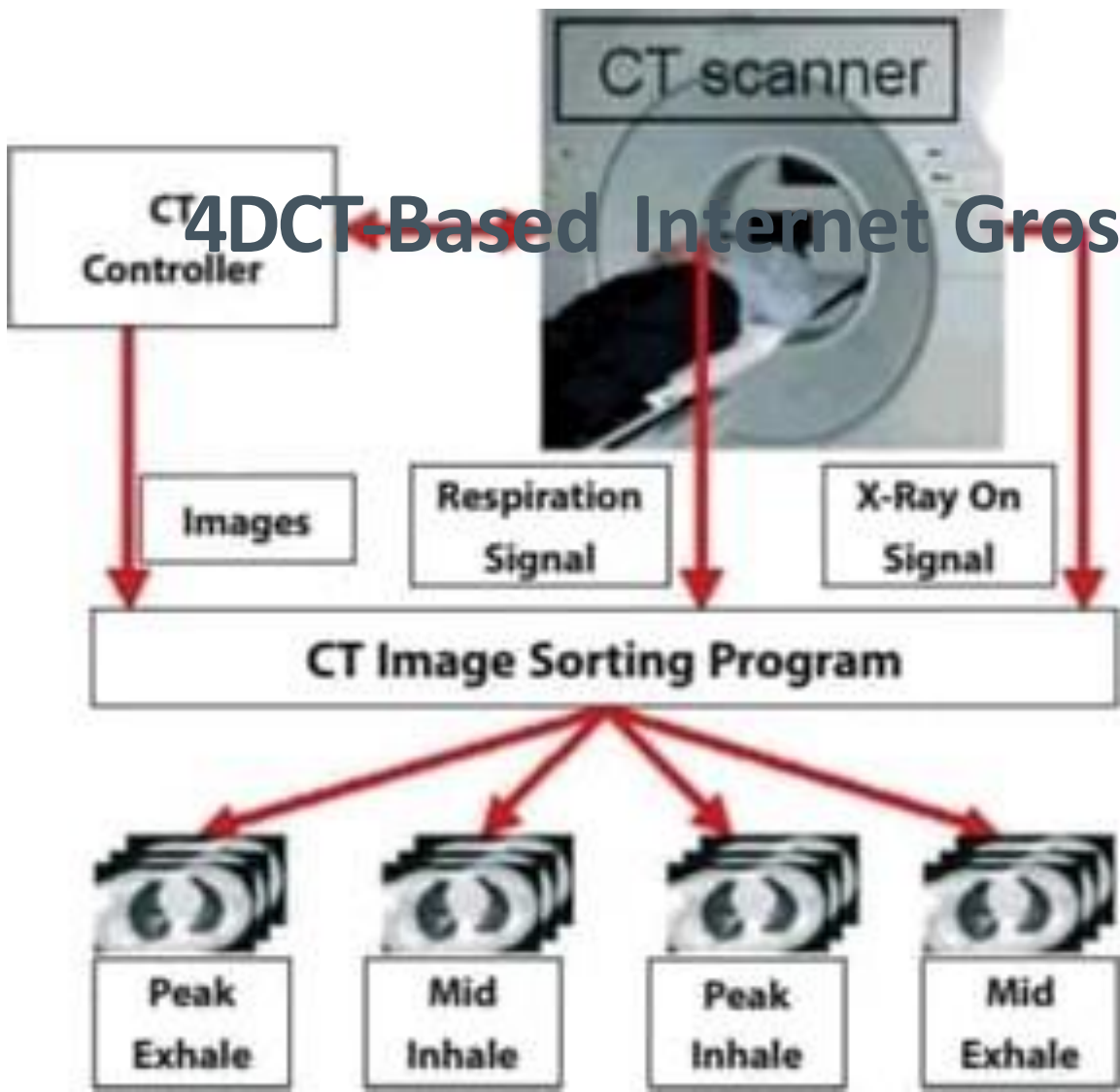
# ITV-based treatment

Generates a **composite target volume** for lung tumors, taking into account the different shape, size and position of the tumor in each phase of respiration

Can be done on any LA with MLCs or on Tomotherapy , where there is no specialised motion management technology available for treatment delivery.



# 4DCT-Based Internet Gross Tumor Volume (ITV)



The breathing cycle is divided into distinct bins eg (Peak exhale, mid inhale, peak inhale, mid exhale) images are sorted into these image bins depending on the phase of the breathing cycle in which they were acquired yielding a 4D data set

# Gating

Treatment delivery is done in the phase of respiration where the tumor motion & resulting treatment volume is minimum, by **coupling the beam delivery with the phase of respiration**

Usually requires an internal fiducial, implanted within the tumor.

# Tumor Tracking

Imaging is used to **track the actual tumor motion** during treatment delivery and to **move the treatment beam** accordingly based on the varying position of the tumor.

Usually requires an internal fiducial, implanted within the tumor.

Can also be done non-invasively in some cases.

# Active Breathing Coordinator

The patient is coached to **breath-hold** in inspiration, to **eliminate lung motion** & treatment is delivered only in this state.

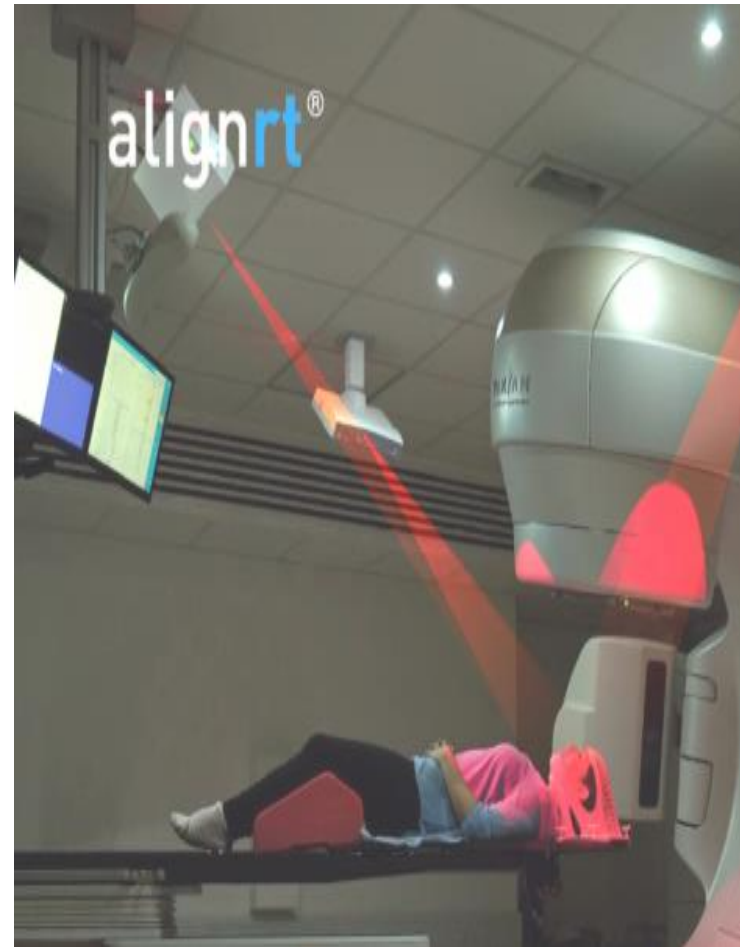




- Deep inspiration breath hold (DIBH) reduces tumour motion while increasing the lung volume, resulting in decreased doses to lung, and often also to the heart



# Our Machine



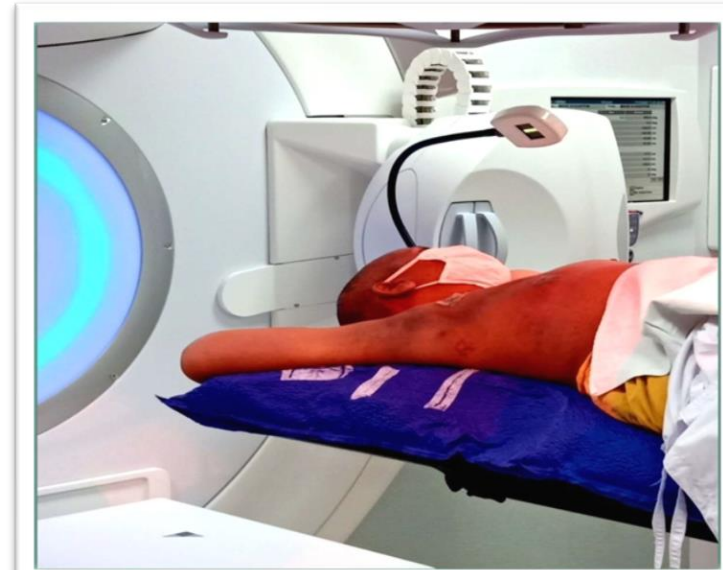
# SGRT

## DIBH for Lung Patients

For DIBH planning patient need to undergo both Free Breathing(FB) and Breath Hold(BH) CT.

FB CT's body structure will be used for patient positioning purpose

BH CT's body structure will be used for treatment purpose with proper well defined ROI and threshold



# Outcomes of SBRT for Early Stage NSCLC

	RTOG 0236	RTOG 0915	RTOG 0813
Prospective Study Type	Single Arm Phase II	Randomized Phase II	Single Arm Phase I/II
# of patients	55	94	120
Medically Operable?	No	No	No
TNM Stage	cT1-2N0M0	cT1-2N0M0	cT1-2N0M0
Tumor Location	Peripheral	Peripheral	Central
RT Dose/Fx	54Gy/3fx	34Gy/1fx vs. 48Gy/4fx	50-60Gy/5fx
Local Control	93% @ 5 years	89-93% @ 5 years	88% @ 2 years
Overall Survival	40% @ 5 years	30-41% @ 5 years	70% @ 2 years

- **Most recurrences are distant (~30%); most deaths are not cancer related**
- Toxicity using risk-adapted dosing:
  - Grade 3 in 10-15%, grade 4 in 3-5%, and grade 5 in < 1%



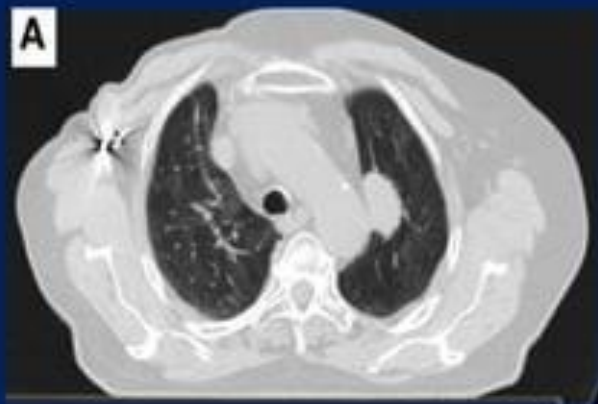
# How Does SBRT Compare to Surgery?

- **No fully enrolled randomized trials**
- **Selection bias** when comparing survival numbers from non-randomized cohorts of patients are difficult to compare with surgery
  - Radiation patients are generally medically inoperable, or older with worse PS and often don't undergo full mediastinal staging
- **Pooled Analysis of STARS and ROSEL Randomized Trials (Chang, Lancet Oncol 2015)**
  - 58 pts, operable T1-2a (<4 cm) N0 M0 NSCLC randomized to lobectomy vs. SBRT
  - Results: SBRT → ↑ **3Y-OS** (79→95%) with no difference in RFS (~83%)
  - Why the difference?
    - Surgery has higher M&M (G3-5 toxicity (48% vs. 10%).
      - Grade 3+ toxicities SBRT were all Grade 3, i.e., no Grade 4 or 5
      - Surgery had 4% Grade 5 toxicity
    - Abscopal effect from RT?



**CAUTION**

## Central lung tumour



Tumour close to arch of aorta



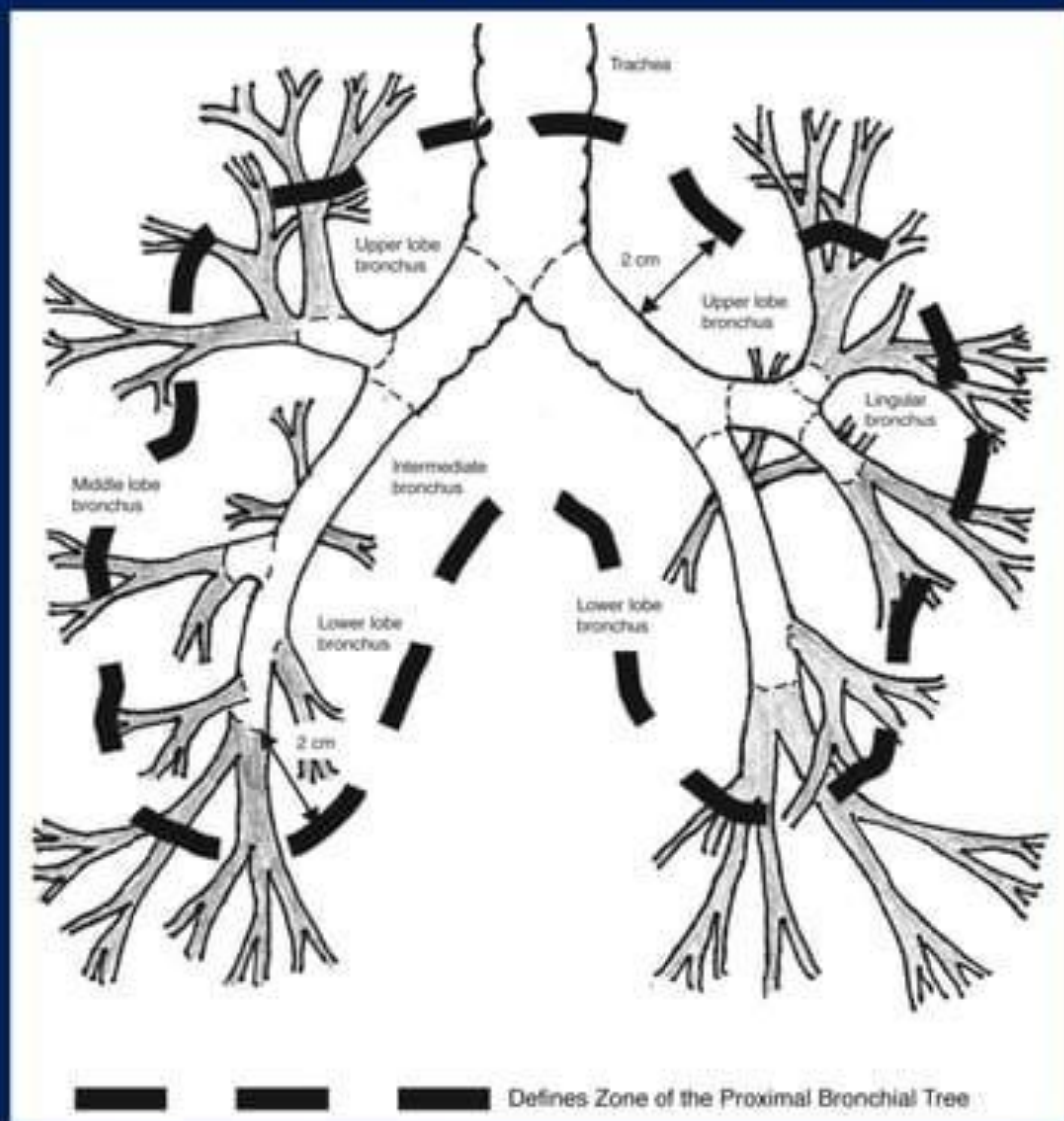
Tumour close hilar region



Tumour close to ventricle

*Close to critical structures:  
'Difficult to treat' tumours*

## Central lung tumours as per RTOG0813

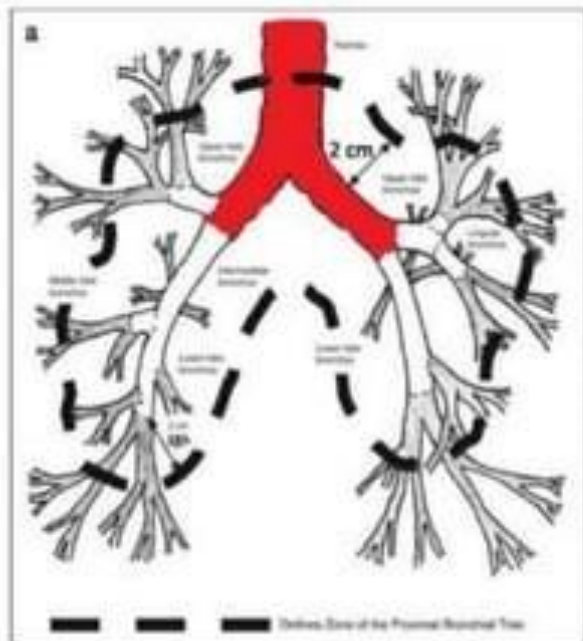


Tumour within 2 cm of trachea, principle bronchus & vascular structures

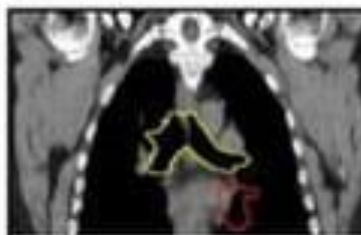
**NO FLY ZONE**



## TYPE OF LESIONS



b Ultracentral tumor



c Central tumor

The black dashed line defines the location of tumors that are central relative to the proximal bronchial tree. The term central has been widened to include the region within 2 cm in all directions of any mediastinal critical structure, including the bronchial tree/trachea, esophagus, heart, brachial plexus, major vessels, spinal cord, phrenic nerve, and recurrent laryngeal nerve. The region shaded red shows the trachea and main bronchi, and lesions with a PTV which overlaps this region are considered as ultracentral.

b Example of an ultracentral tumor (planning target volume in red, and main bronchi/trachea in yellow).

c Example of a central tumor

### PRINCIPLES OF RADIATION THERAPY

**Please note:** Tables 2–5 provide doses and constraints used commonly or in past clinical trials as useful references rather than specific recommendations.

**Table 2. Commonly Used Doses for SABR**

Total Dose	# Fractions	Example Indications
25–34 Gy	1	Peripheral, small
45–60 Gy	3	Peripheral tumors
48–50 Gy	4	Central or peripheral tumors <4–5 cm
50–55 Gy	5	Central or peripheral tumors
60–70 Gy	8–10	Central tumors

**Table 3. Maximum Dose Constraints for SABR\***

OAR/Regimen	1 Fraction	3 Fractions	4 Fractions	5 Fractions
Spinal cord	14 Gy	18 Gy (6 Gy/fx)	26 Gy (6.5 Gy/fx)	30 Gy (6 Gy/fx)
Esophagus	15.4 Gy	27 Gy (9 Gy/fx)	30 Gy (7.5 Gy/fx)	105% of PTV prescription <sup>^</sup>
Brachial plexus	17.5 Gy	24 Gy (8 Gy/fx)	27.2 Gy (6.8 Gy/fx)	32 Gy (6.4 Gy/fx)
Heart/pericardium	22 Gy	30 Gy (10 Gy/fx)	34 Gy (8.5 Gy/fx)	105% of PTV prescription <sup>^</sup>
Great vessels	37 Gy	NS	49 Gy (12.25 Gy/fx)	105% of PTV prescription <sup>^</sup>
Trachea & proximal bronchi	20.2 Gy	30 Gy (10 Gy/fx)	34.8 Gy (8.7 Gy/fx)	105% of PTV prescription <sup>^</sup>
Rib	30 Gy	30 Gy (10 Gy/fx)	40 Gy (10 Gy/fx)	NS
Skin	26 Gy	24 Gy (8 Gy/fx)	36 Gy (9 Gy/fx)	32 Gy (6.4 Gy/fx)
Stomach	12.4 Gy	NS	27.2 Gy (6.8 Gy/fx)	NS

# Toxicities

- Chest wall pain
- Rib fracture
- Pneumonitis

## Severe Toxicities

Bronchial / Tracheal stenosis

Bronchial / Tracheal necrosis

Esophageal perforation

Massive hemoptysis

Pulmonary necrosis

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## Management of Stage III NSCLC

-Locoregionally advanced stages

IIIA surgery feasible

IIIB surgery not feasible

- Usually combined therapy approach
- Optimal regime uncertain
- Trend toward trimodality therapy
- Initial nonoperative treatment generally recommended
- No single regime for all patients (clinical heterogeneity)
- Management individually to be discussed (tumor board)

# Factors Favoring Use of Surgery in N2 Patients

- Single involved LN station > multiple involved stations
- Microscopic N2 > clinical N2 (especially if bulky LN >3cm)
- Successful downstaging of the mediastinum s/p neoadjuvant therapy
- Avoiding pneumonectomy (especially right pneumonectomy)
- T3/4 due to size alone > invasion/extension
- Good PS, younger age, no weight loss, female gender
- Surgery should **NOT** be pursued for **cN3** Patients

# Randomized Data Evaluating Surgery for IIIA NSCLC

- **Intergroup 0139/RTOG 0939/SWOG 93-36 (Albain 2009)**

- 396 pts, stage IIIA (cT1-3pN2)
- Randomized to NeoAdj Chemo-RT → Surgery vs. Definitive Chemo-RT

	<b>MS</b>	<b>5Y-OS</b>	<b>M-PFS</b>	<b>5Y-DFS</b>	<b>Tx-related death</b>	<b>G3-4 esophagitis</b>
<b>NeoAdj→Surgery</b>	23.6mo	27%	12.8mo	22%	8%	10%
<b>Definitive chemo-RT</b>	22.2mo	20%	10.5mo	11%	2%	23%
<b>Significance</b>	NS	NS	SS	SS		

- Subset analysis:
  - **Lobectomy** vs. matched chemo-RT (MS 2.8 years vs. 1.8 years, **SS**)
  - **Pneumonectomy** vs. matched chemo-RT (MS 1.6 years vs. 2.4 years, NS)
    - 26% mortality rate in pneumonectomy group
- Conclusion: Both approaches remain valid options

# Randomized Data Evaluating Surgery for IIIA NSCLC

- **EORTC 08941 (van Meerbeeck, 2007)**

- 579 pts, "unresectable" N2 NSCLC received 3c induction Pt-based chemo
- Nonprogressors after chemotherapy randomized to surgery vs. RT
  - RT arm used older techniques of 3DCRT and included elective nodes
  - Surgery arm included 47% pneumonectomies; only 50% had R0 resection
- Results:
  - Surgery → ↑ LC but no difference in 5Y-OS (~15%) or MS (16.5mo)
  - Surgery → ↑ Tx-related mortality (9% vs. <1%)
- Conclusions:
  - Surgery did not improve OS or PFS.
  - Given low morbidity and mortality, RT should be preferred modality

# Post-Operative Therapy

- Adjuvant Chemotherapy:
  - pN+
  - pT3-4
  - +/- pT2a/b N0 if high risk features (>4cm tumor, high grade, LVSI, visceral pleural involvement, or pNx)
- Adjuvant Radiation:
  - Positive margin not amenable to re-resection
  - pN2
  - +/- pN1 in patient not getting adjuvant chemotherapy

# Radiotherapy for Stage III NSCLC

## *Definitive radiotherapy alone*

- for patients who are not fit for combined treatment
- isolated thoracic recurrence after surgery
- palliative for patients with poor performance status or stage IV

Early randomized trial: RT vs. Placebo (Roswit 1968)

modest but significant survival benefit (18 vs. 14% at 1 year)

RT alone: MS 10mts.

5y-OS 5%

Factors associated with improved prognosis:

(Basaki 2006, RTOG 93-11 2008)

- small primary tumor
- small total tumor volume



# Radiotherapy for Stage III NSCLC

## *Dose and local control*

RTOG phase III trial: (Perez 1986)

	<b>40Gy</b>	<b>50Gy</b>	<b>60Gy</b>	(2Gy/fx)
Local Control	52%	62%	73%	
Survival		similar		

-60Gy / 30 fractions: standard today

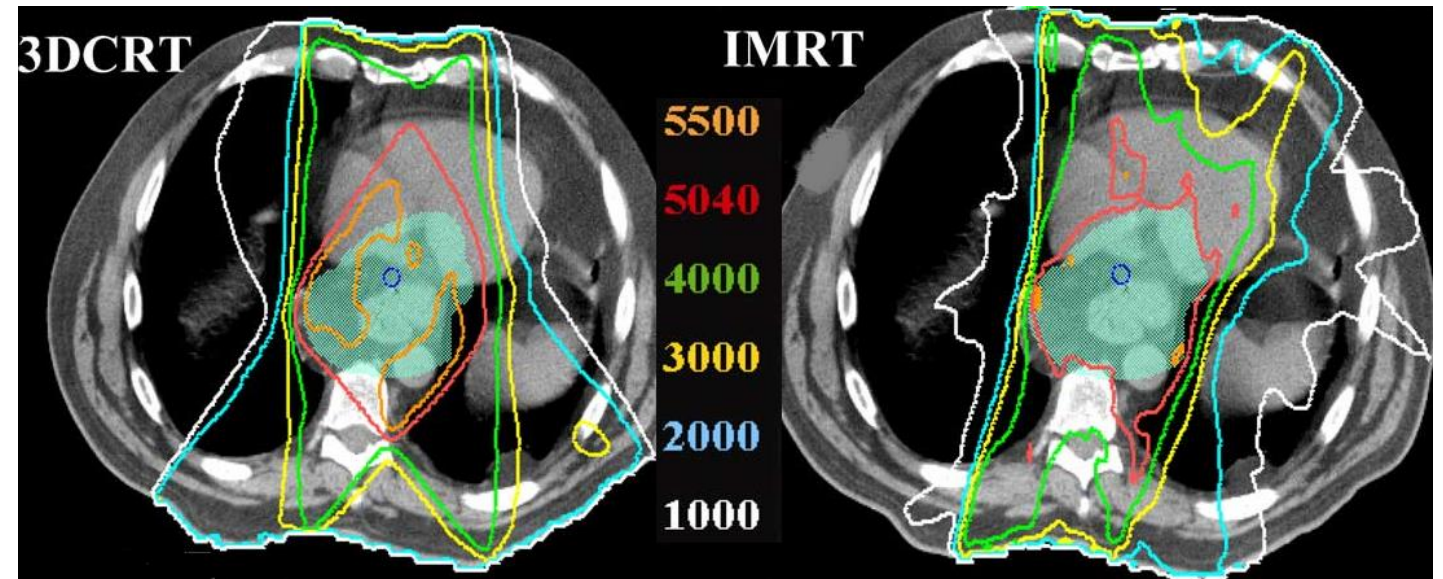
-phase II data show better local control with higher doses

-limiting factor: normal tissue tolerance

**Improved therapeutic index** -altered fractionation schedules  
-IMRT, IGRT, Tomotherapy, Protons..

# Conventional Fractionation Using 3-D CRT/IMRT

- For locally advanced NSCLC
  - Larger target volumes encompassing primary tumor and involved nodes
- Target often in close proximity to normal structures. Decrease toxicity by:
  - Using lower dose/fraction → more repair of normal tissue DNA damage
    - Typically 1.8-2.0 Gy/fraction in 30-35 fractions, to a total dose of 60-70Gy or 1.5 Gy twice daily to 45 Gy for limited stage SCLC
  - Using IMRT (or proton therapy) to shape dose away from normal organs
    - More “conformal” than 3-D CRT



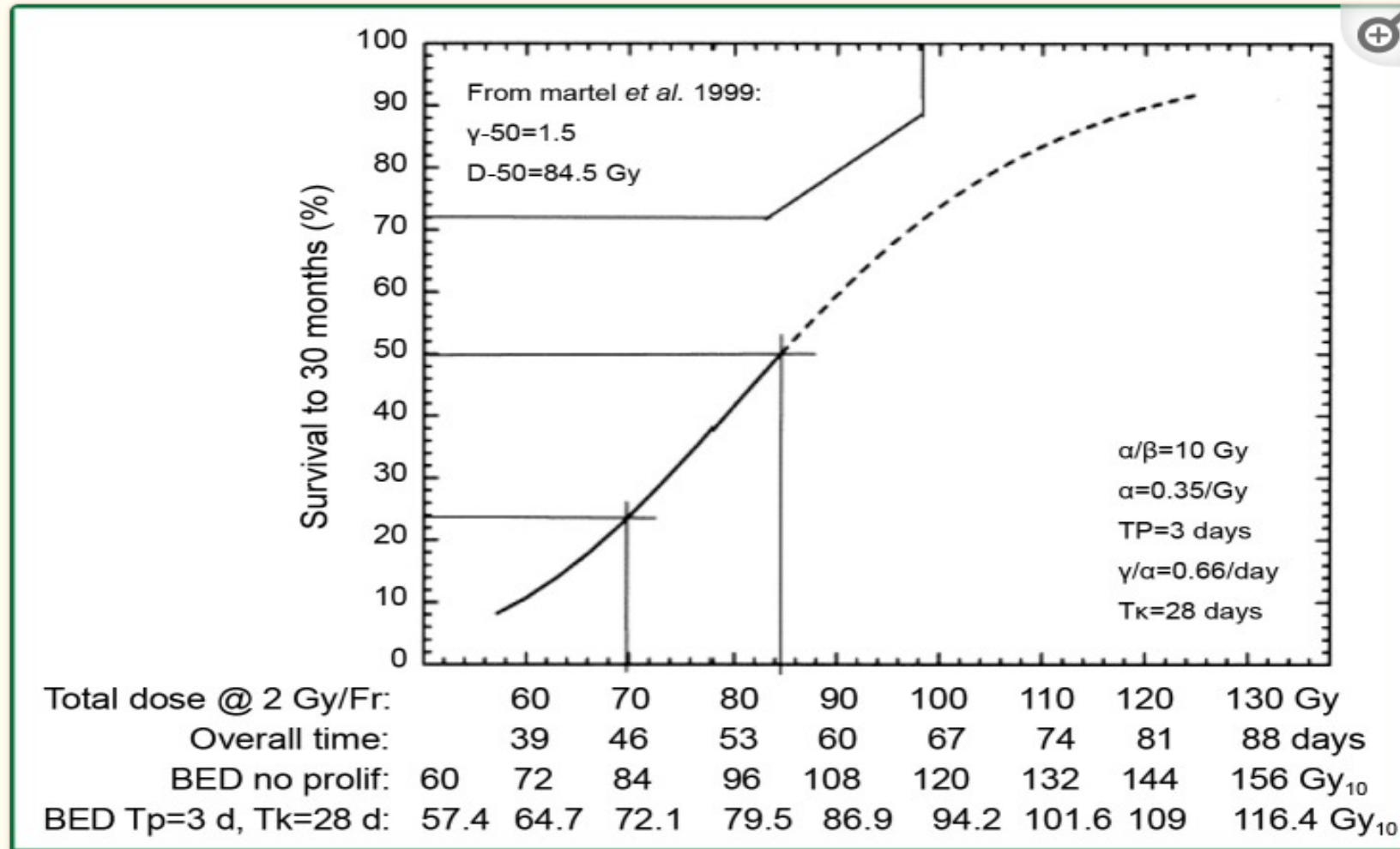
# Hypofractionation

- 60 – 66 Gy in 15 to 20 #
- 60 – 75 Gy in 15 to 25 #
- 55 Gy in 20 #

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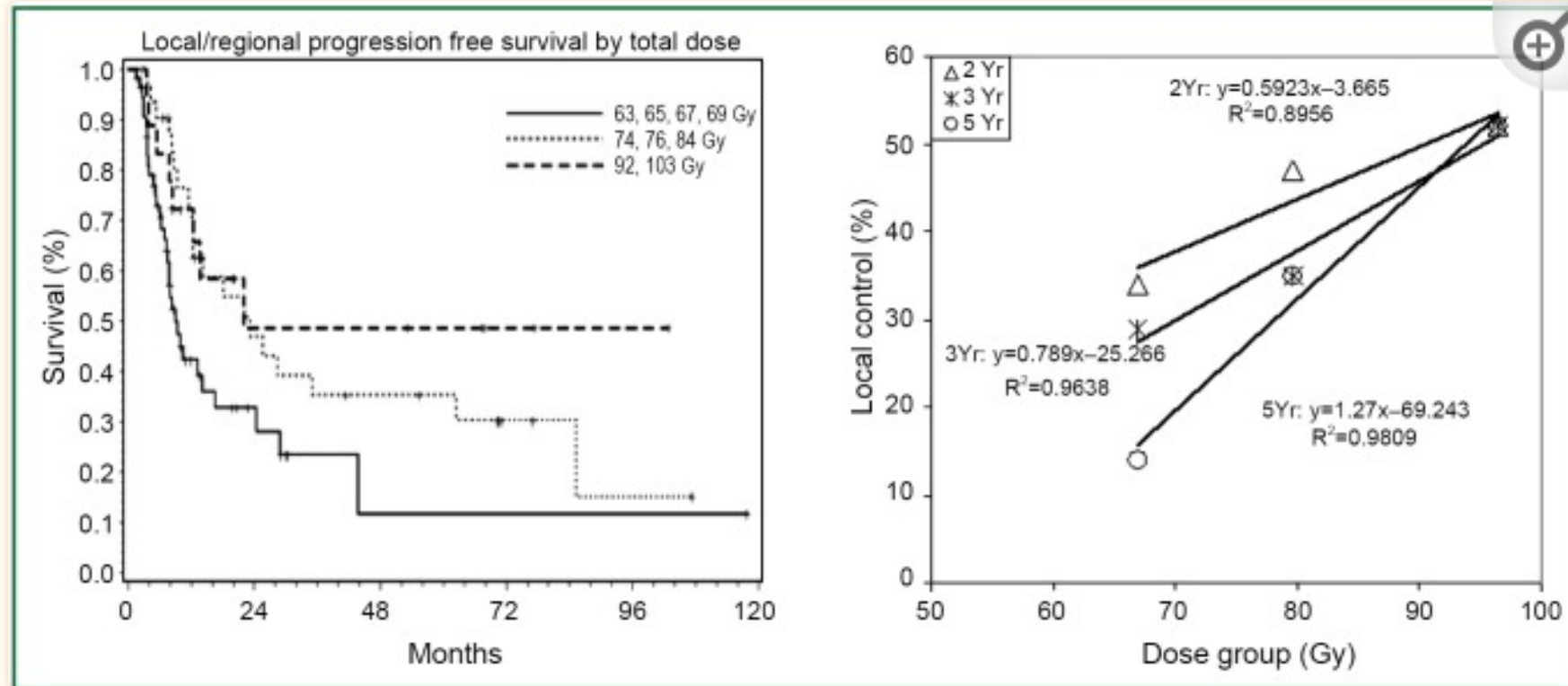
# Why Hypofractionation

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[Figure 1](#)

Tumor control probability and biological effective dose. The dose response relationship is sigmoidal in one of the early dose escalation studies of non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) performed in University of Michigan.

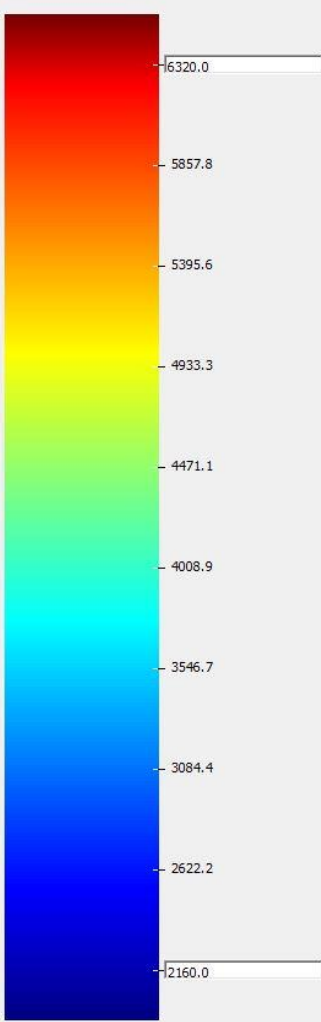


[Figure 2](#)

Local tumor control increases with higher dose radiation. Radiation dose is associated with long-term tumor control. Dose response relationship is steeper for longer follow-up.



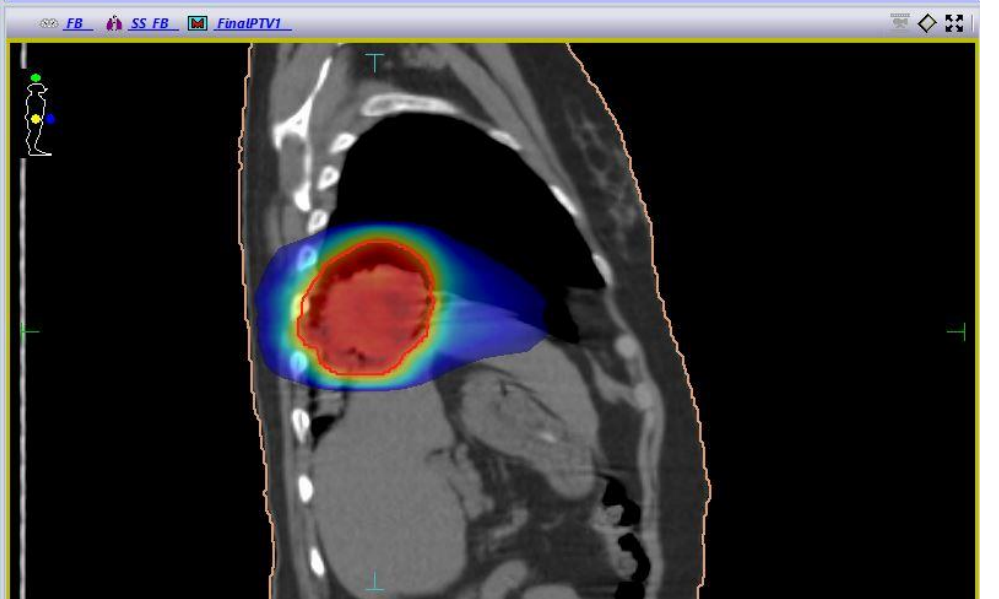
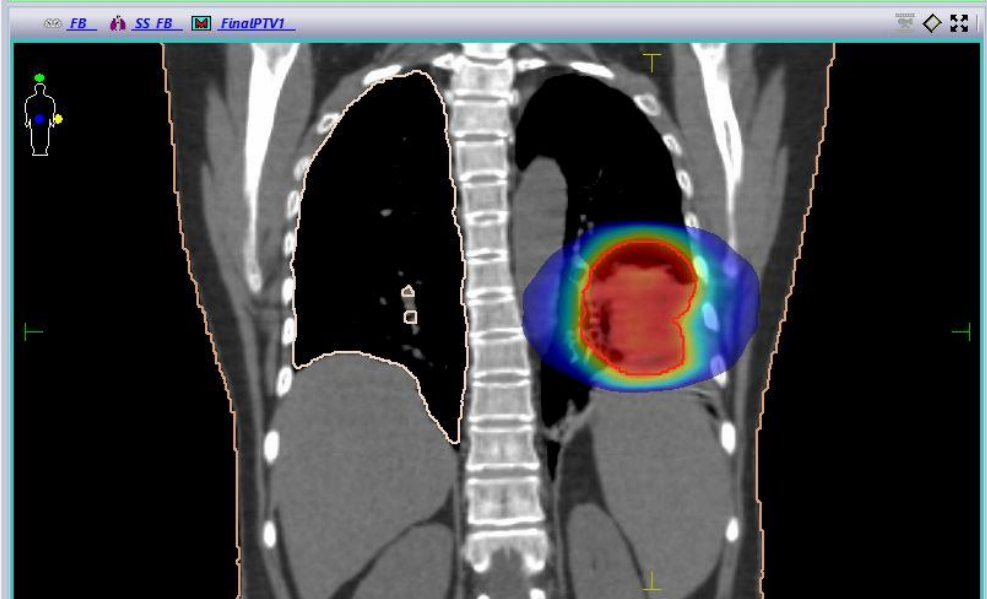
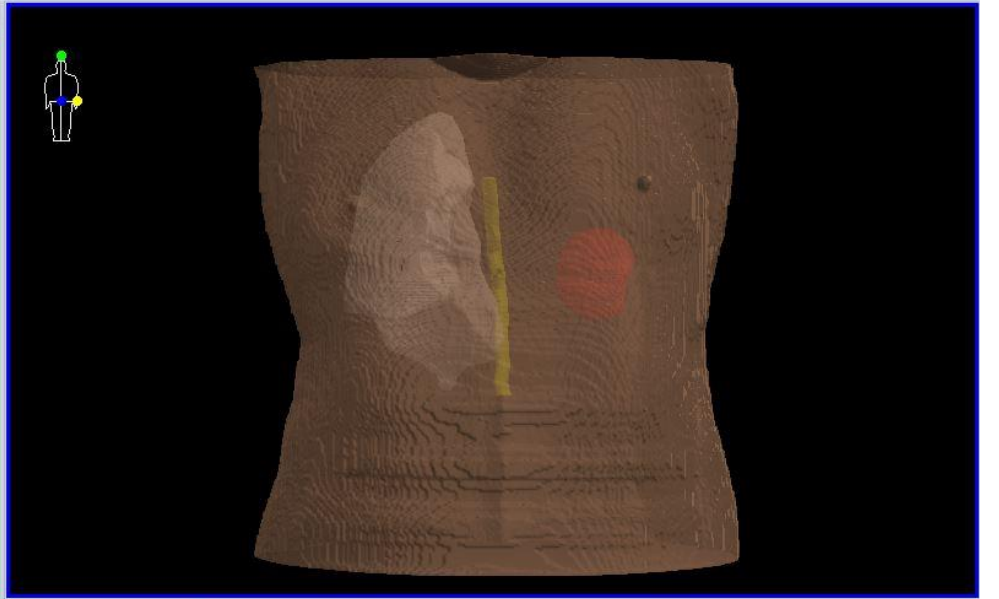
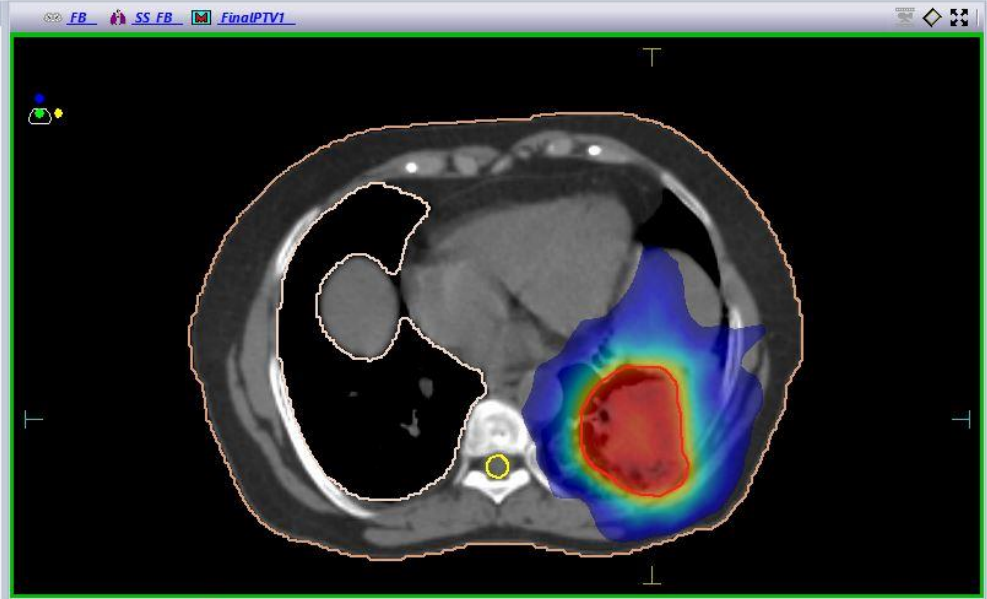
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Thickness %   Isolines  
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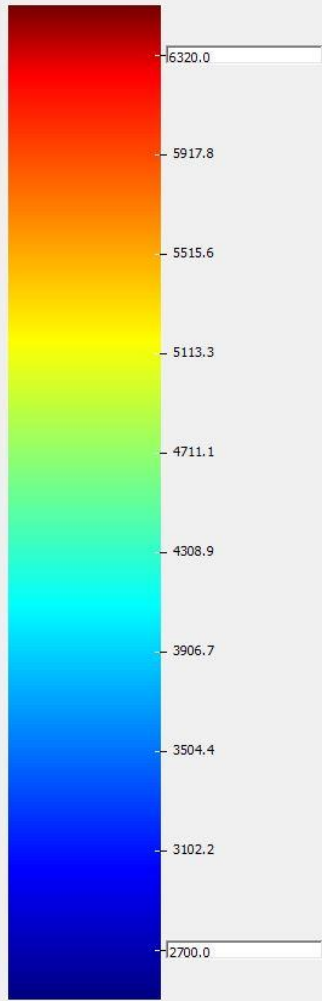
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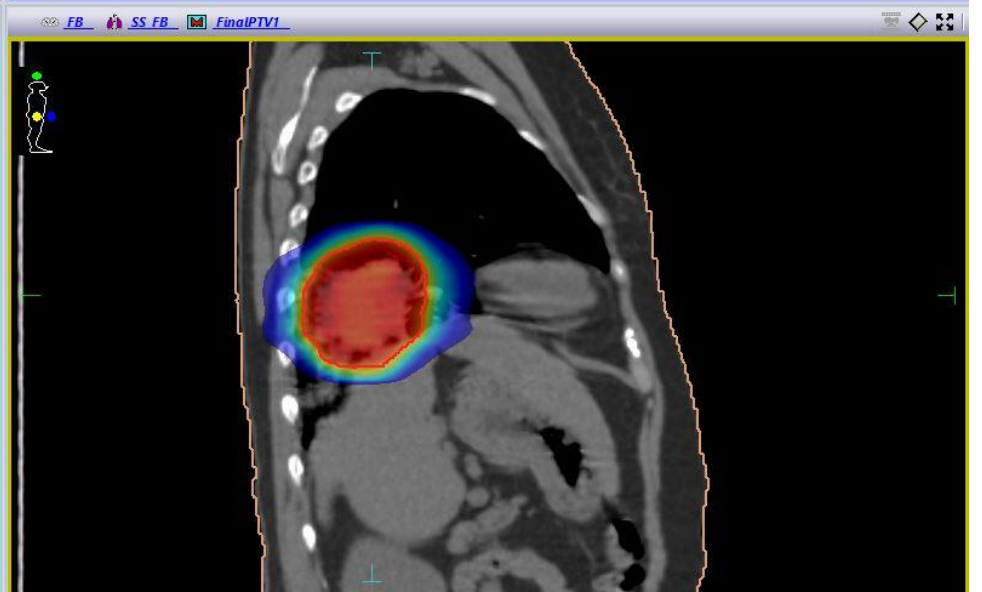
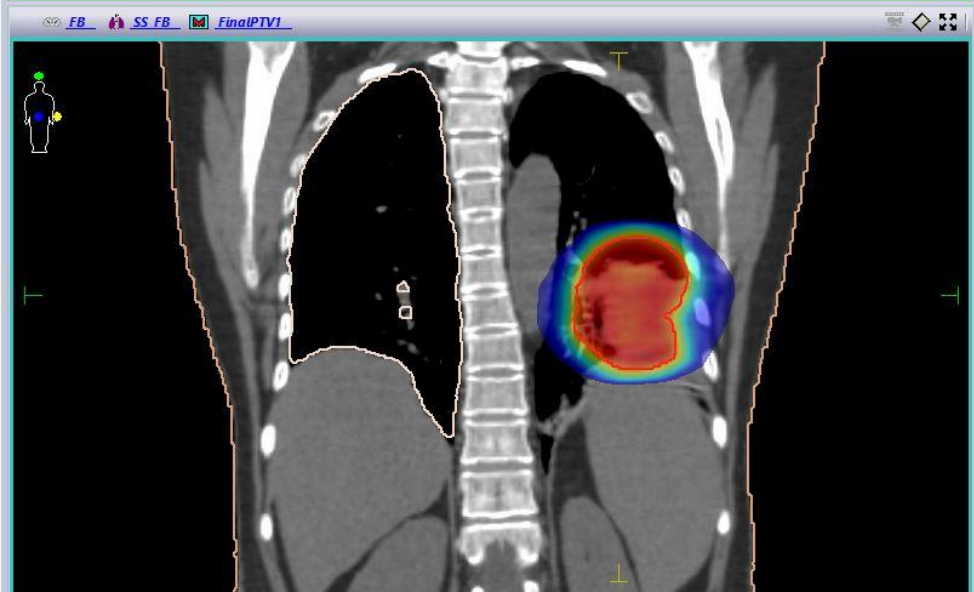
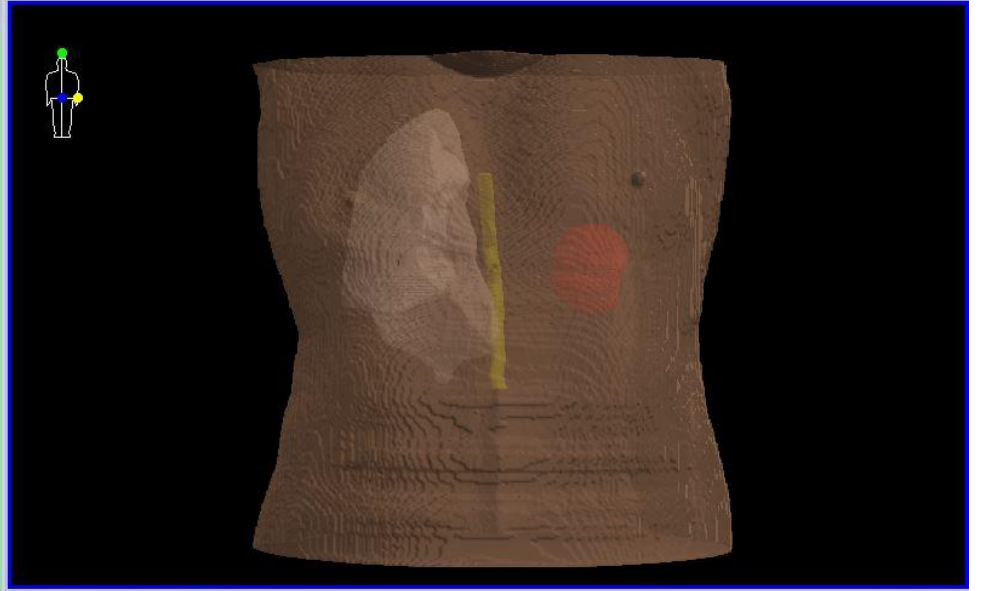
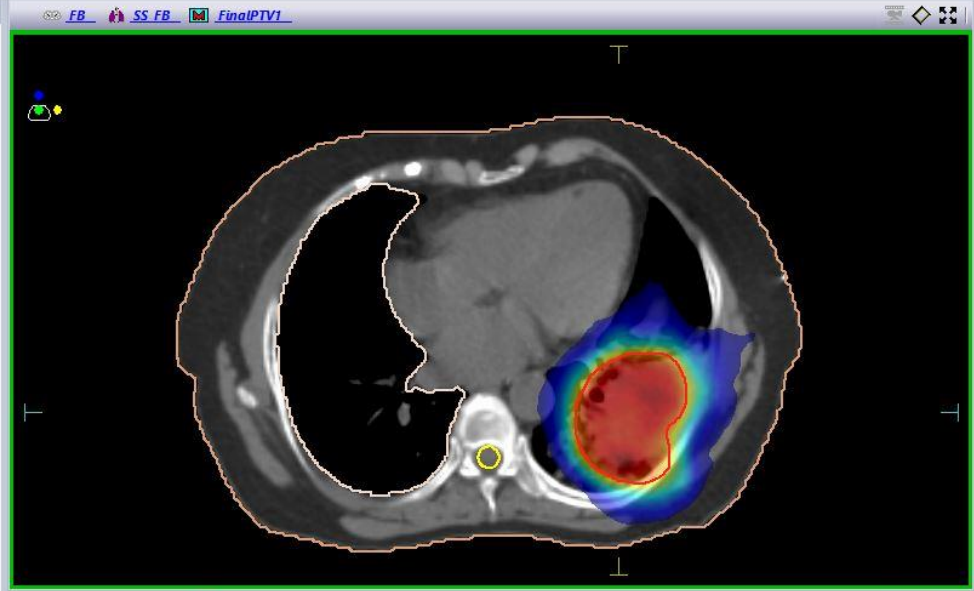
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Thickness %: 5  Isolines  
Cutoff %: 0

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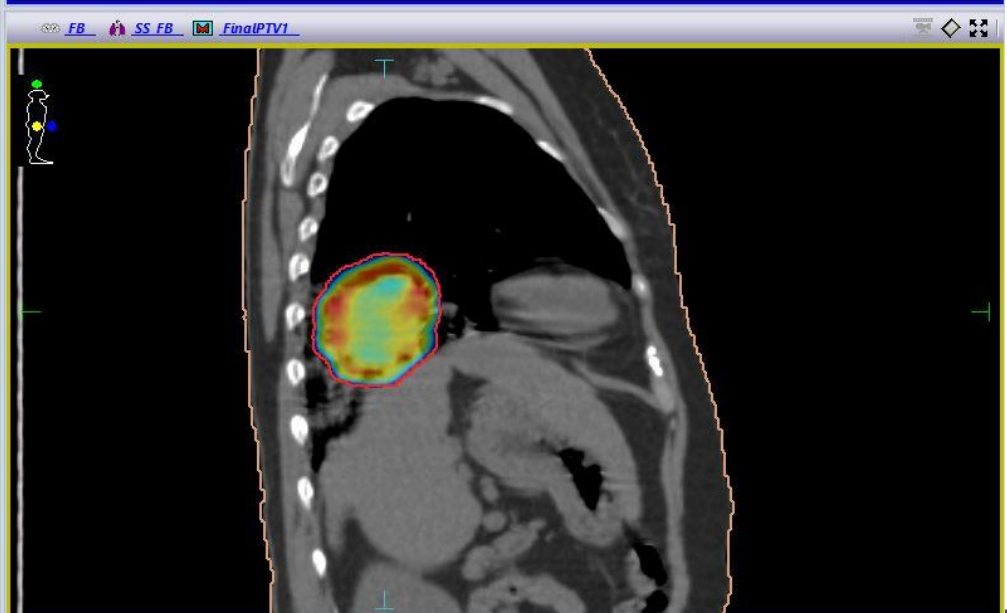
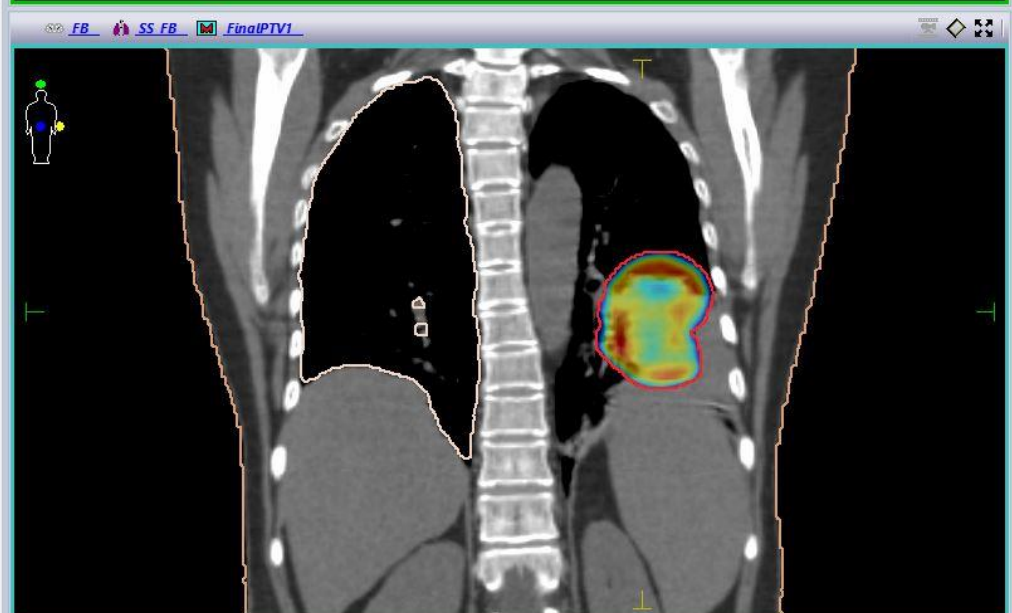
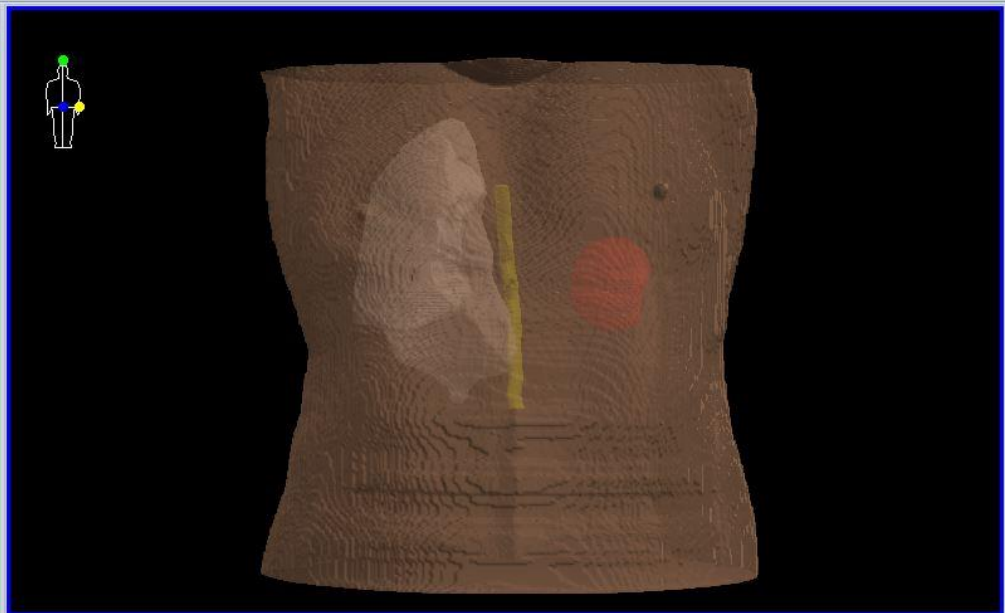
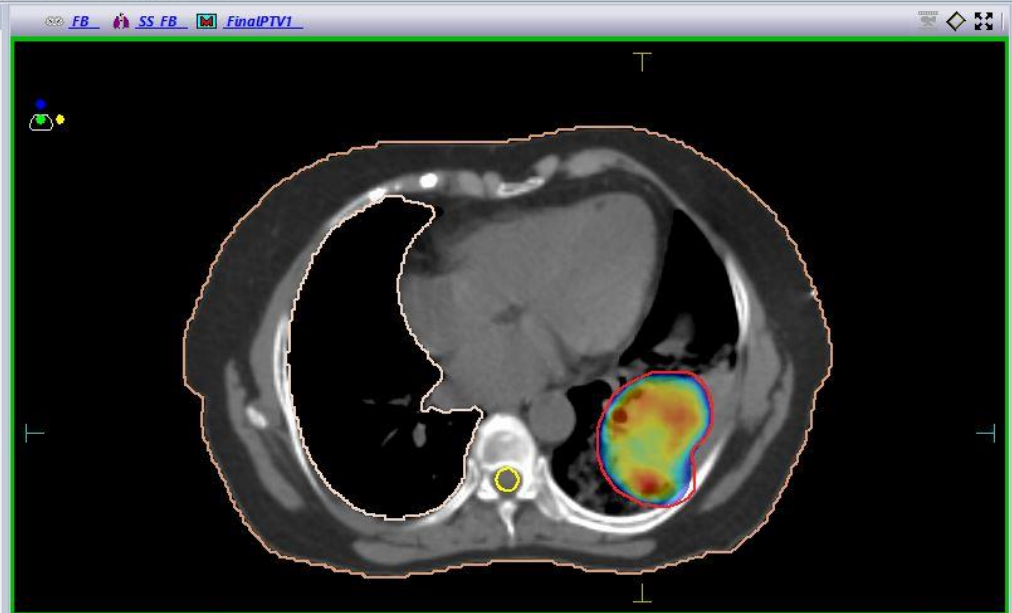
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5502.2  
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Thickness %   Isolines  
Cutoff %

ColorWash



# How to Add Chemo to Definitive RT

- Both sequential and concurrent chemo → survival benefit
  - Concurrent chemo → improved local control → improved survival
    - At expense of ↑ in-field toxicity (especially esophagitis)

Trial	Patients, <i>n</i>	Med. Survival, <i>mo</i>		% Survival, <i>y</i>		% Esophagitis (Gr. 3-4)	
		<b>S</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>C</b>
Furuse <sup>15</sup>	314	13.3	16.5	8	16(5)	4	23
RTOG-9410 <sup>16</sup>	400	14.6	17.1	12	21(4)	5	26
GLOT <sup>17</sup>	212	13.9	15.6	24	35(2)	3	17
Czech <sup>19</sup>	102	13.2	20.6	15	42(2)	4	28
BROCAT <sup>20</sup>	303	14.0	19.0	—	—	0	26
LAMP <sup>21</sup>	178	13.8	17.4	31	33(2)	3	26

# What Type of Chemotherapy is Used?

- Neoadjuvant/Adjuvant/Sequential:
  - Cisplatin + (vinorelbine, etoposide, gemcitabine, docetaxel or pemetrexed\*)
  - Carboplatin + (paclitaxel, gemcitabine or pemetrexed\*)
  
- Concurrent with RT:
  - Cisplatin + (etoposide, vinblastine or pemetrexed\*)
  - Carboplatin + paclitaxel (+/- 2 additional full-dose cycles)
  
- Consolidation after chemo-RT:
  - Durvalumab q2weeks for up to 12 months

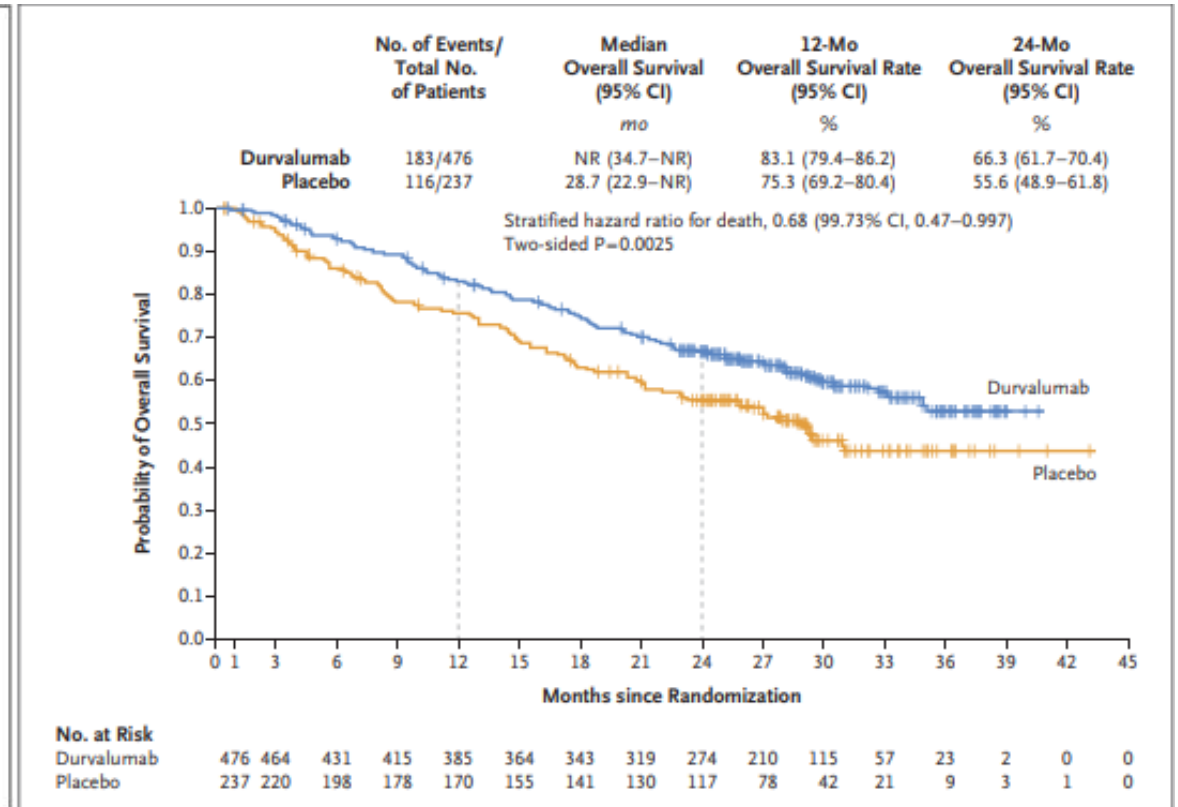
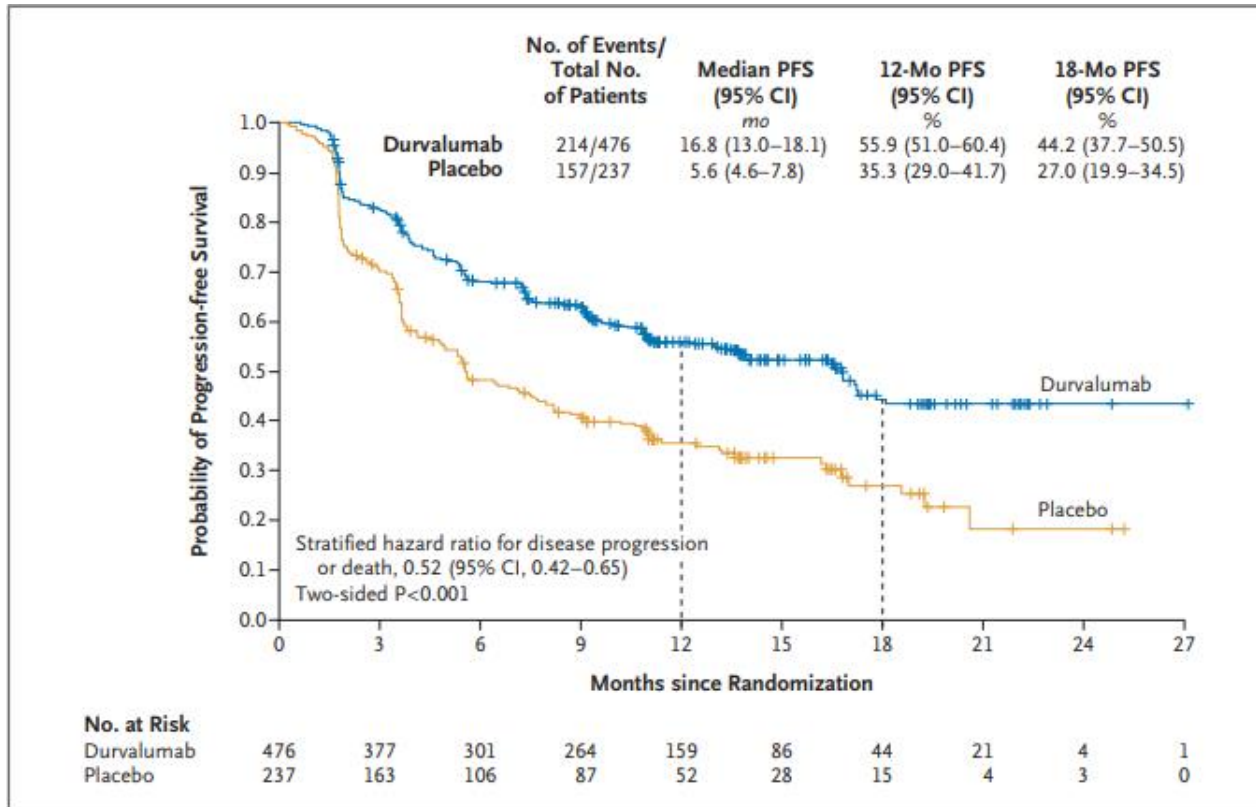
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# Immunotherapy

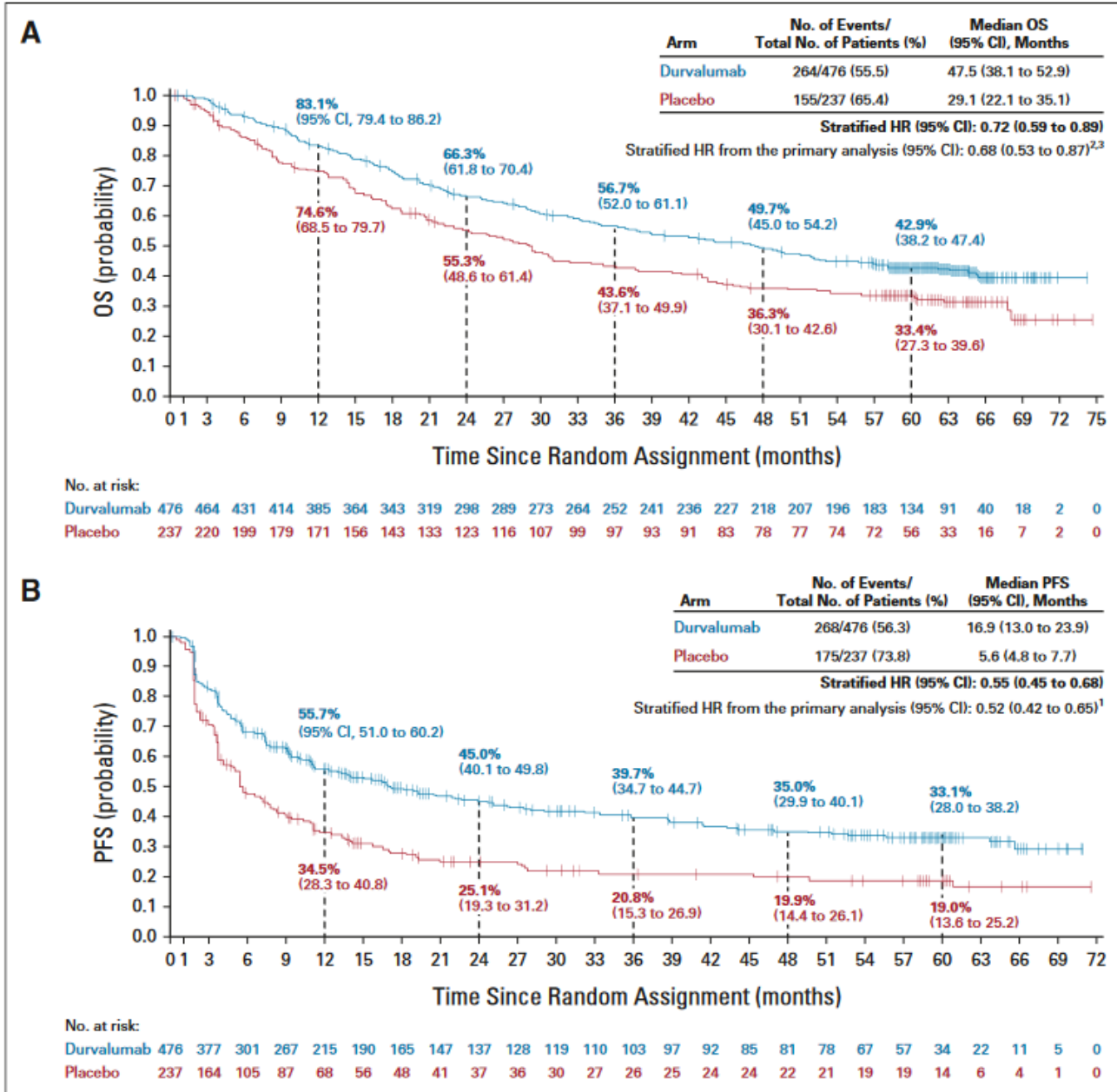
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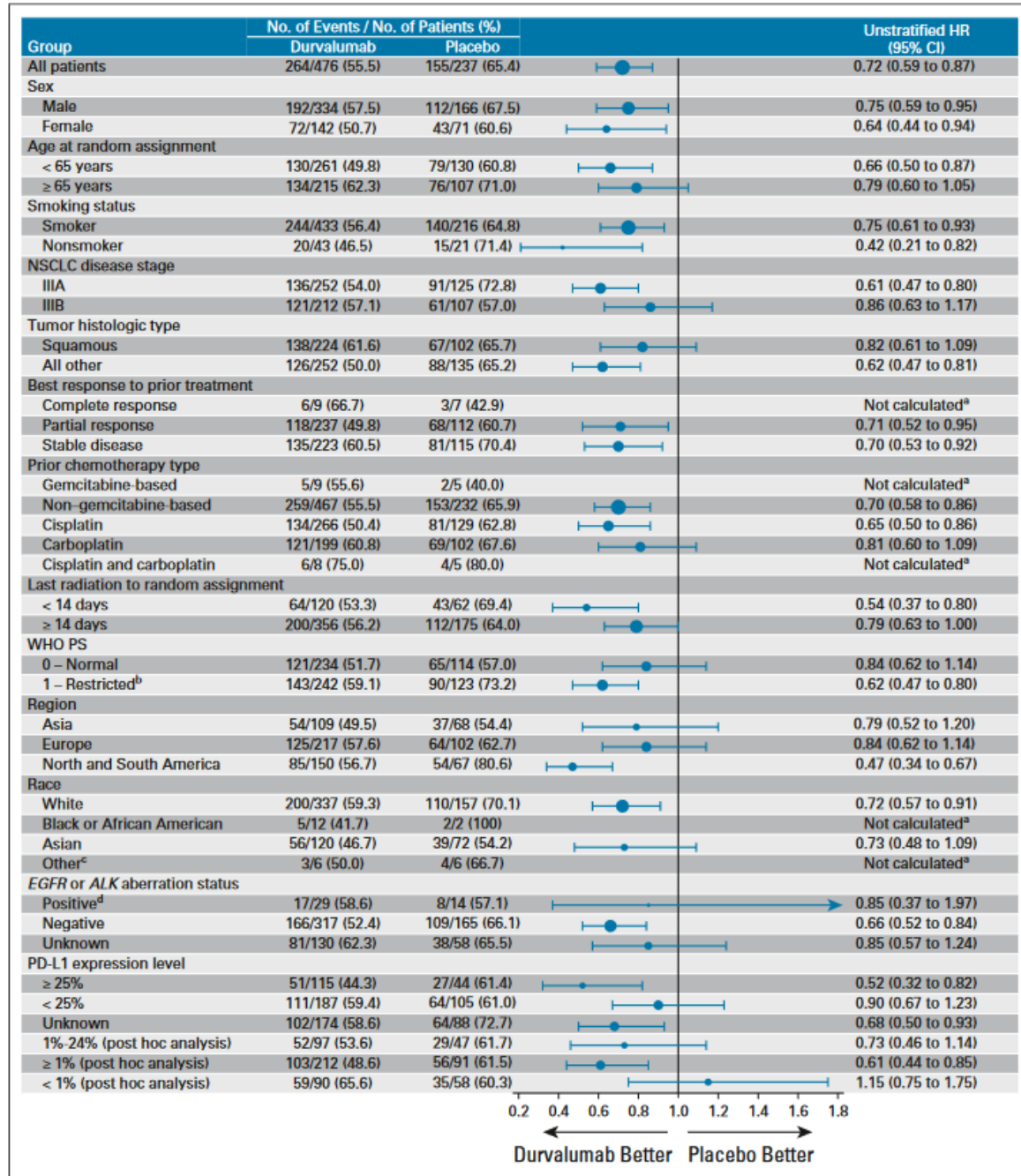


# Immunotherapy May Change Our Approach to Locoregional Management Too



Five-Year Survival With Durvalumab After CRT in Stage III NSCLC





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# **Understanding Radiotherapy Techniques for Lung Cancer**

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# Fusion Images

## CT scan

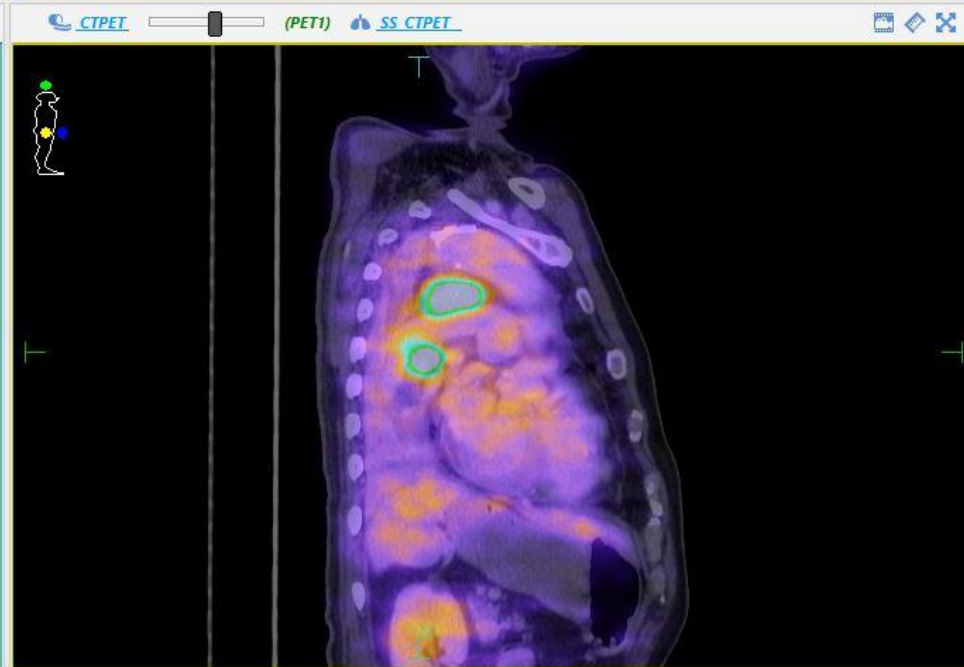
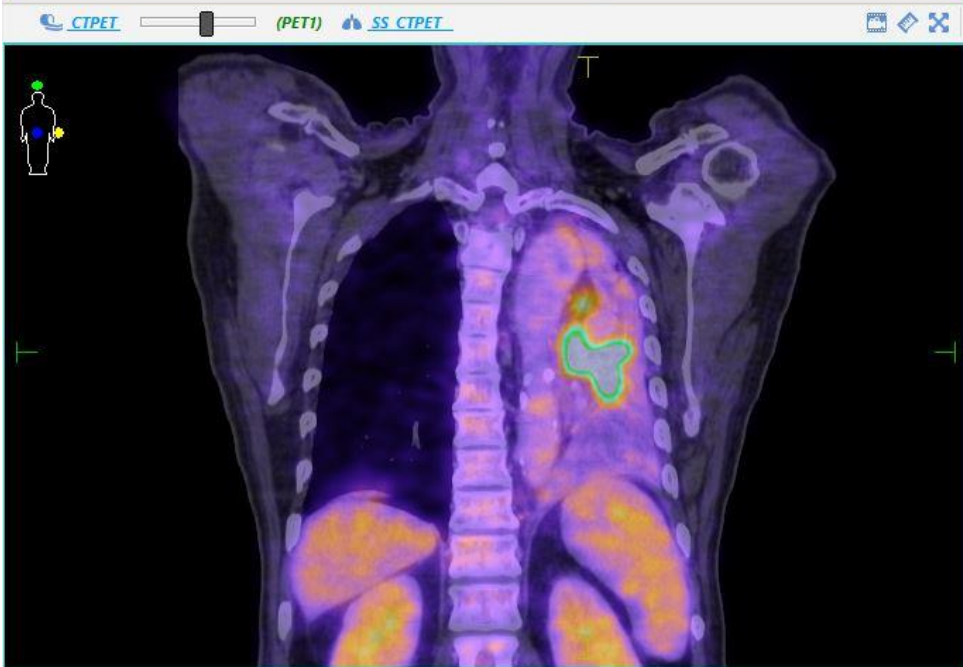
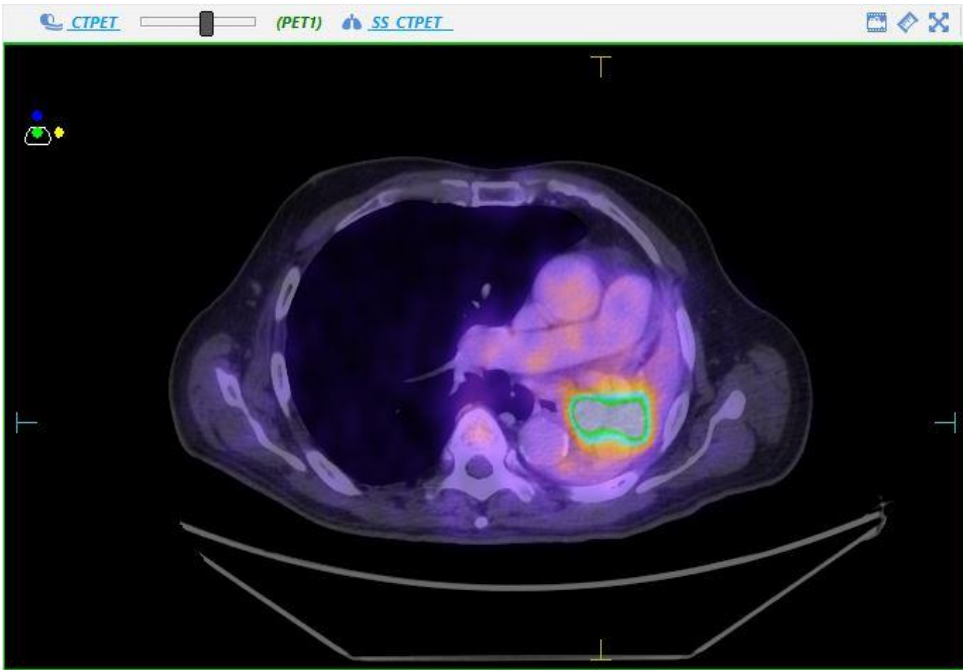
- Planning CT scans should be acquired in treatment position, and incorporate techniques for evaluating motion compensation
- A planning CT scan should include the entire lung volume, and typically extends from the level of the cricoid cartilage to the second lumbar vertebra
- Slice thickness of 2–3 mm is recommended
- IV contrast should be used
- 4D-CT is recommended

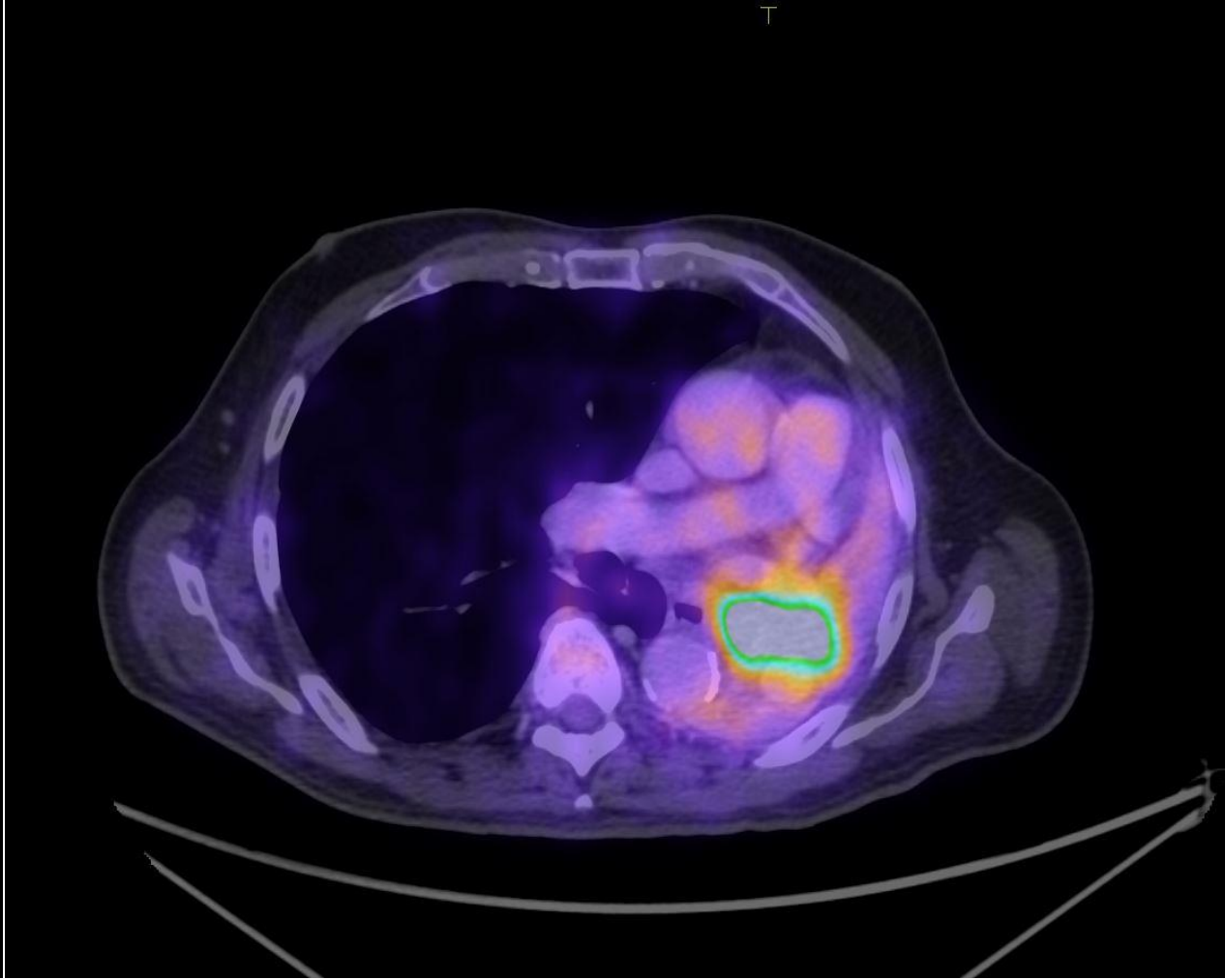
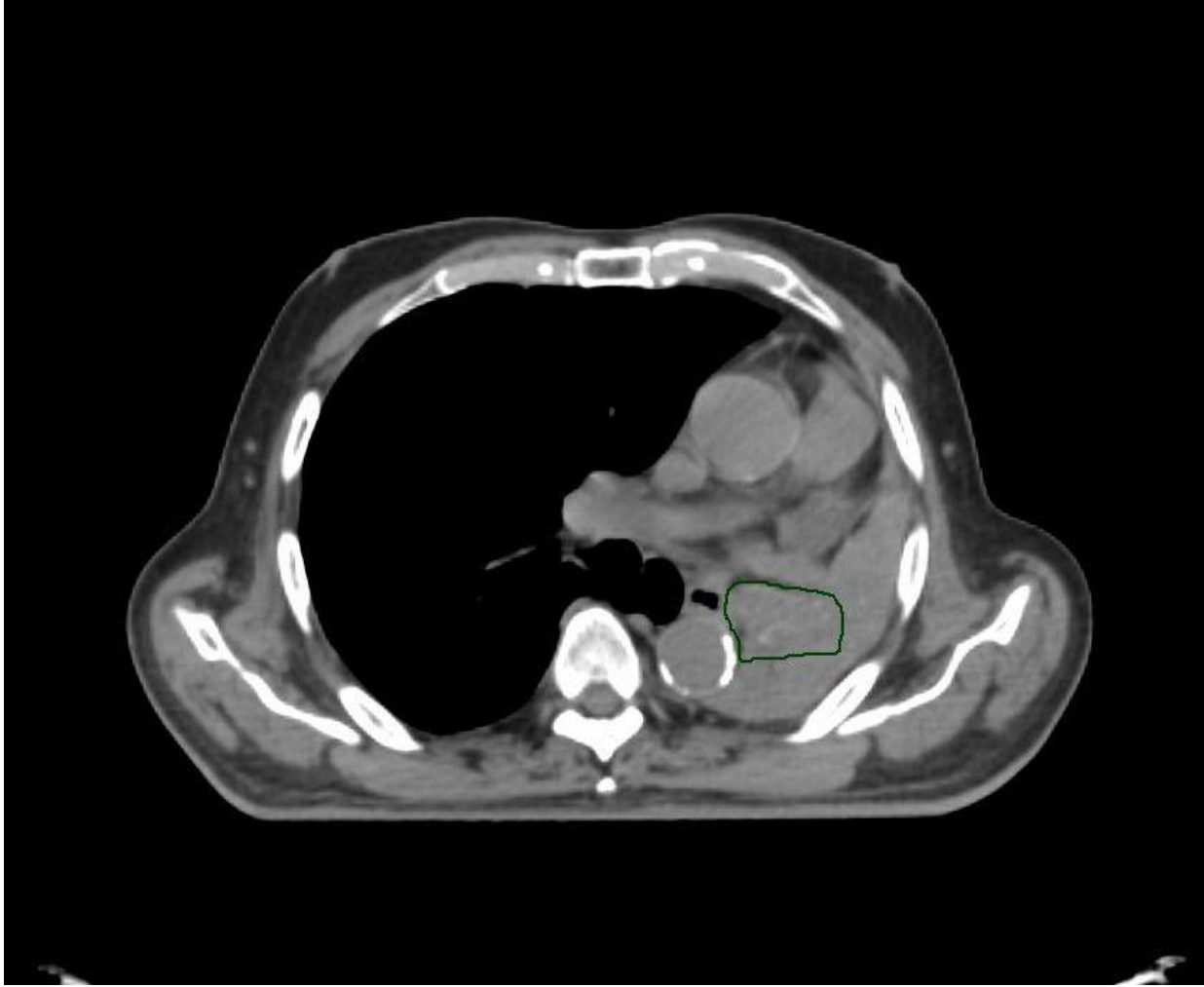
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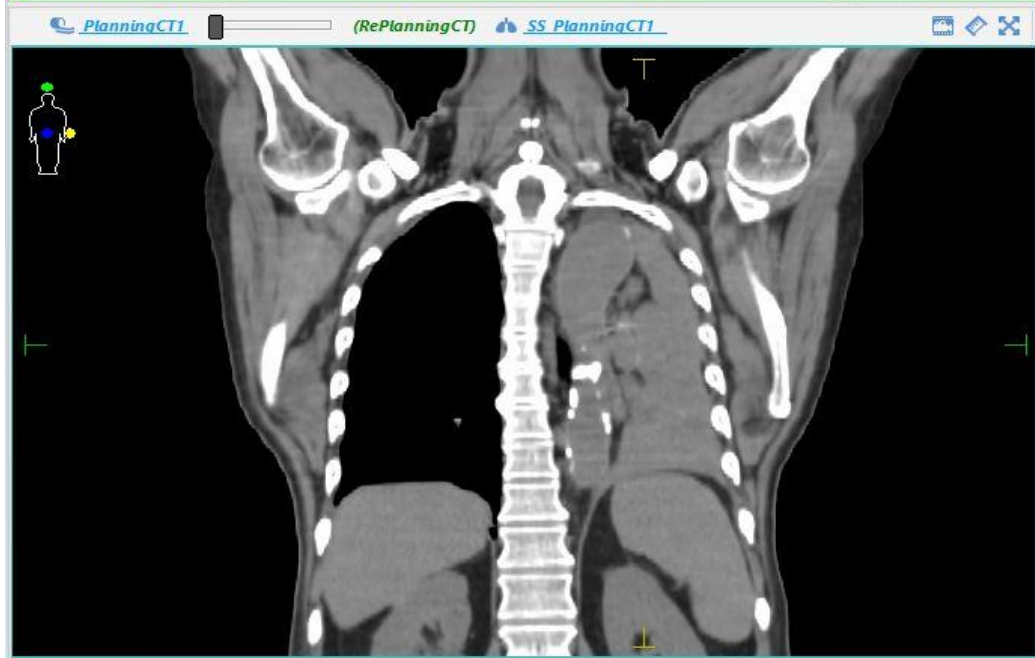
## PET scanning

The equipment used for patient immobilisation during PET scans should be identical to that used for CT scanning and treatment







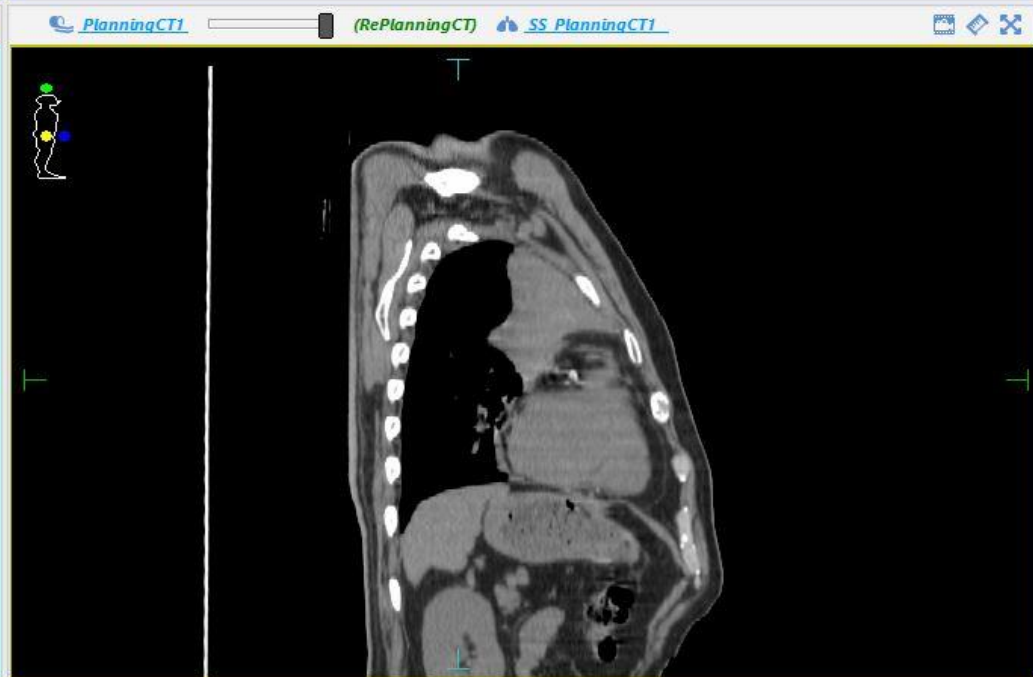
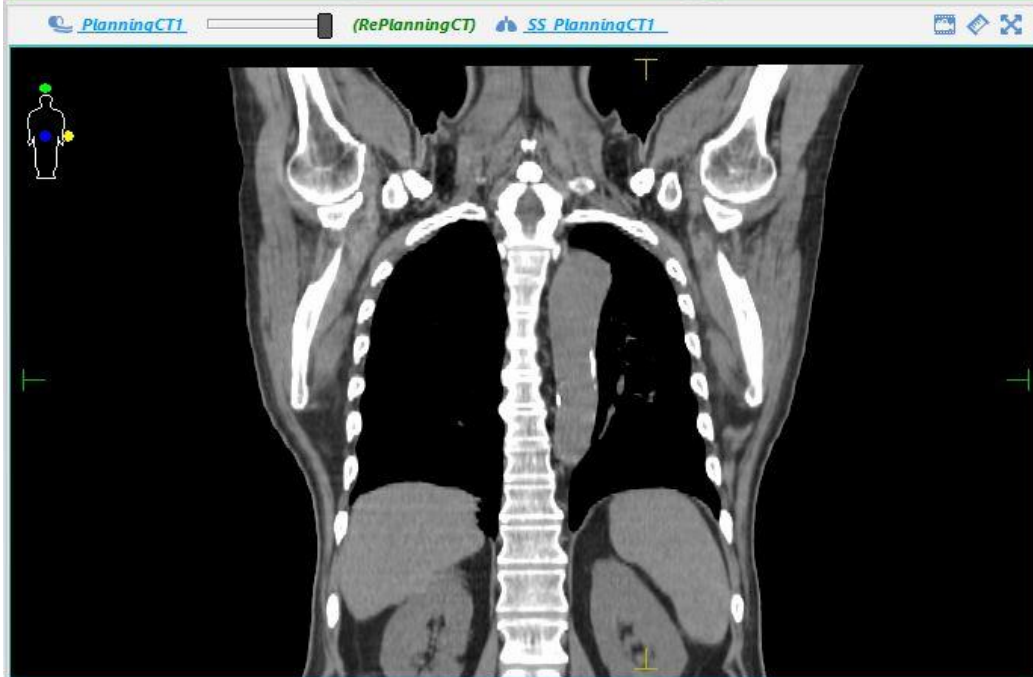
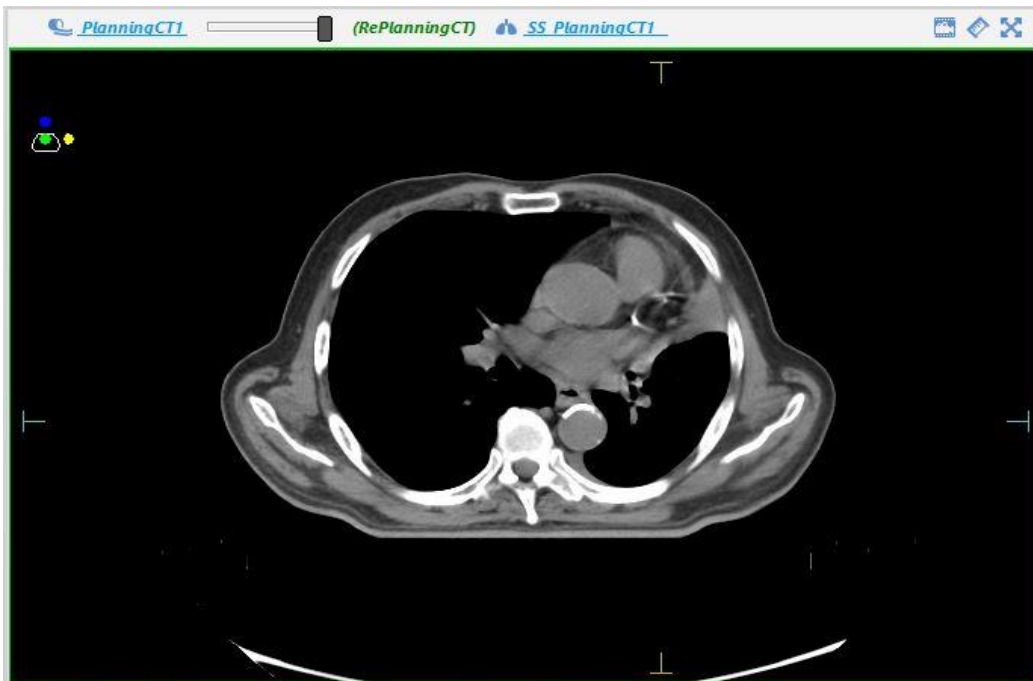


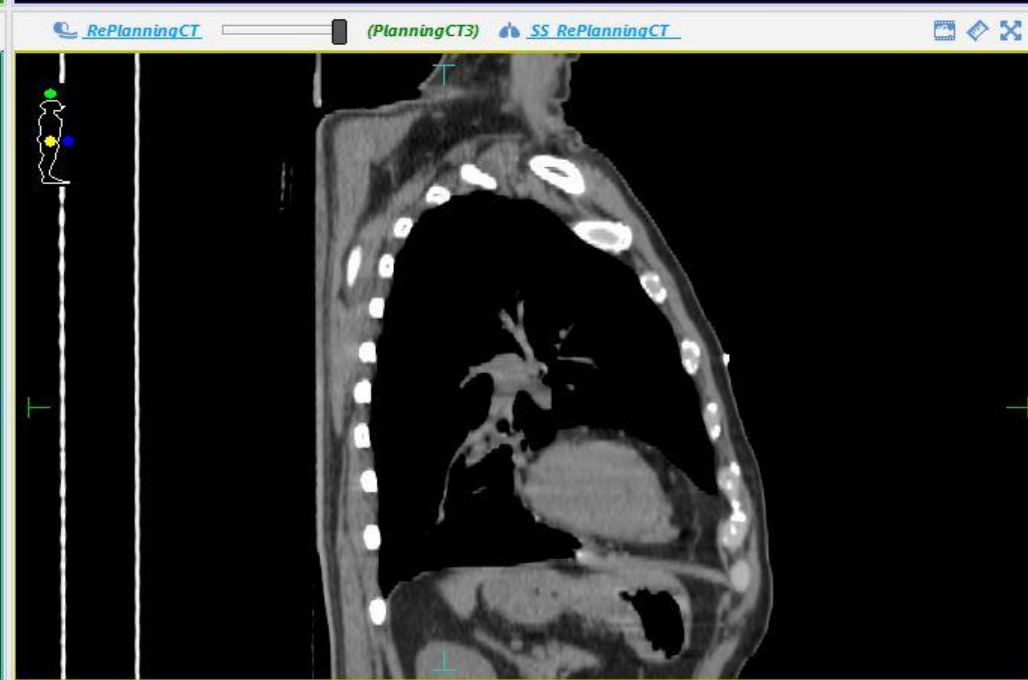
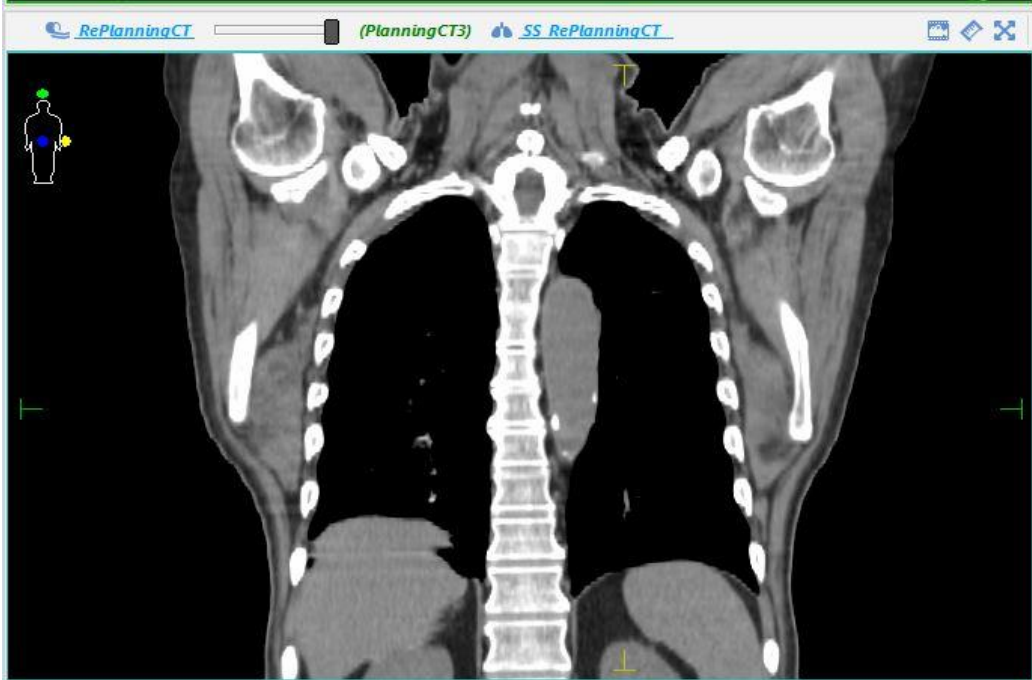
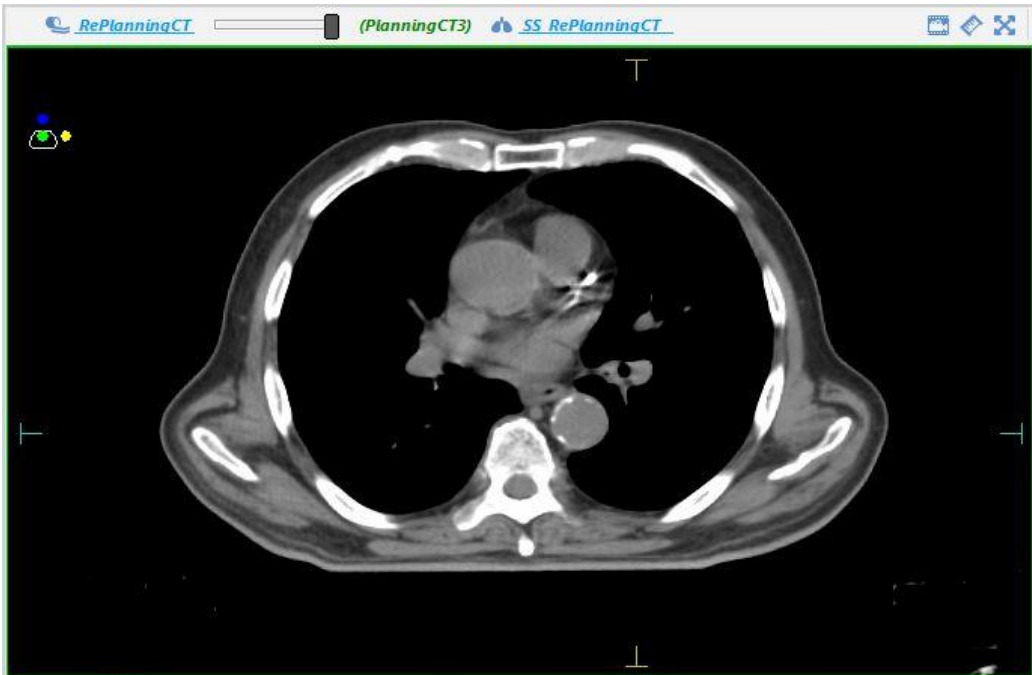
# Tumour and nodal changes

## Inter-fractional tumour shifts

- Inter-fractional shifts between primary tumour and vertebra positions range from 5 to 7 mm on average (3D vector), but may be as high as 3 cm
- Image guidance and patient setup corrections are essential









# While contouring

- Lung window – for extent of parenchymal lesion
- Soft- tissue window- adjacent structures
- Contour GTV on free breathing and MIP
- Combine GTVs for ITV
- Evaluate tumor motion and generate PTV

# Target Volume Definitions

## GTV

- CT with the settings: W= 1600 and L = 600 for parenchyma, and W= 400 and L = 20 for mediastinum should be used
- Elective nodal irradiation is not indicated in any patient

## CTV

- In SBRT treatments, CTV margins are generally not used

## ITV

- Target representing the range of GTV motion through the breathing cycle

## PTV

- ITV + 3 to 10 mm margin; Respiratory motion is a patient-specific factor which should be determined before treatment, typically using a pre-treatment 4D-CT or 4D PET/CT scan

# Margins

## SBRT with conventional Linac

- ITV : delineated based upon tumor motion on 4D CT
- CTV – Not applicable
- PTV – 5mm uniform expansion
- Hypofractionation
- ITV
- CTV 5 to 8 mm uniform expansion ( Elective -nodes not included)
- PTV 3 to 5 mm

# Target volumes definition

## PRV

For serial organs, including the spinal cord, the main bronchi, the brachial plexus, the oesophagus and large blood vessels, the use of a PRV might be helpful, since it reduces the probability of over dosage

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# Metastases

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- Oligometastases
- Up to 3 mets
- Less than 5 cm
- Minimum of 6 months DFS



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  Include Base Dose

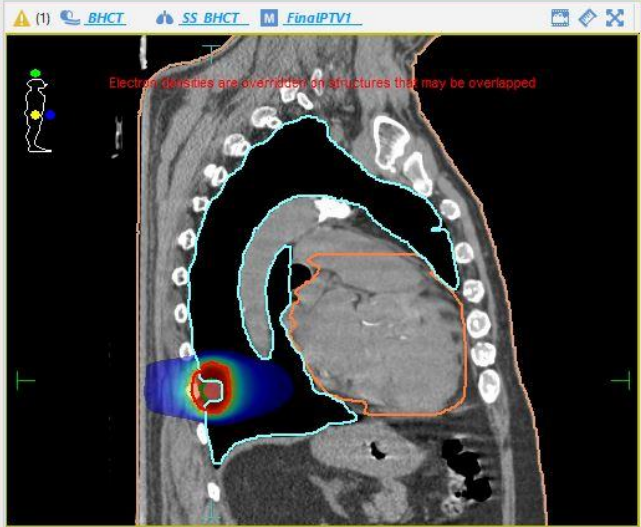
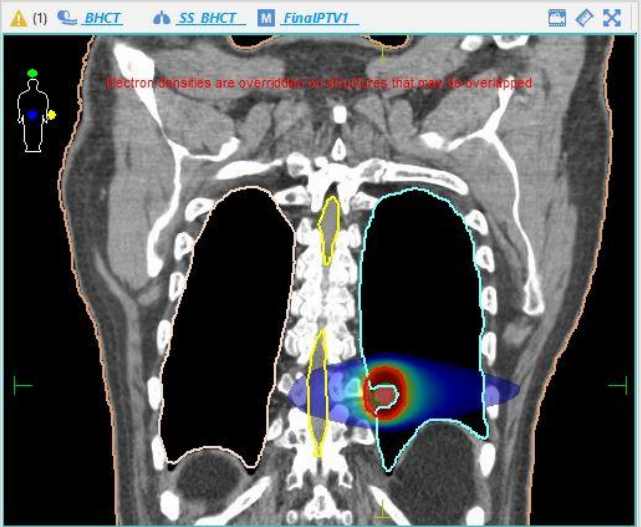
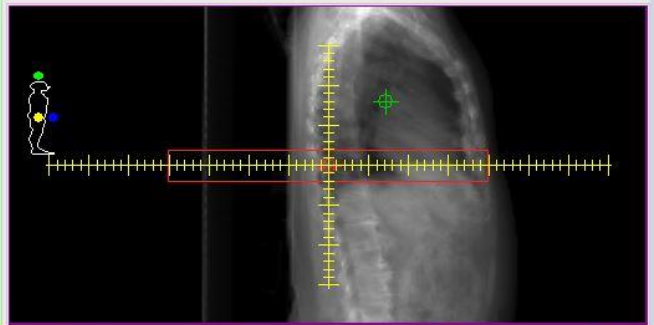
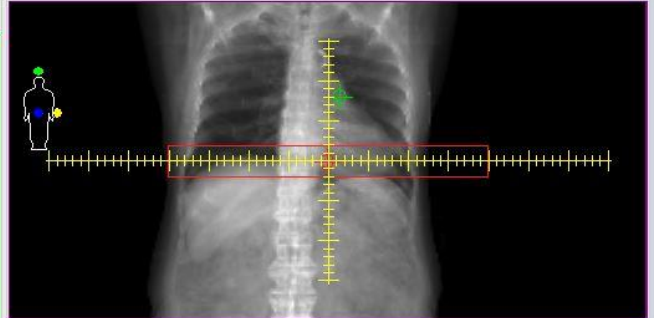
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Color/Wash:



Isodoses

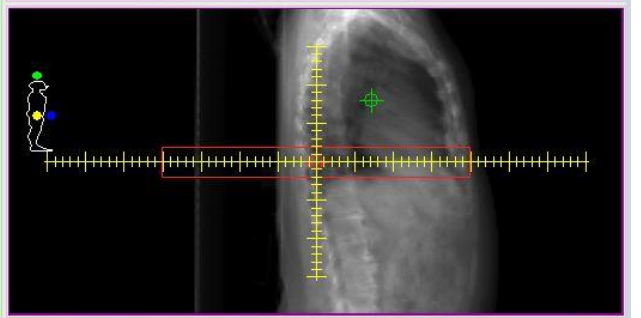
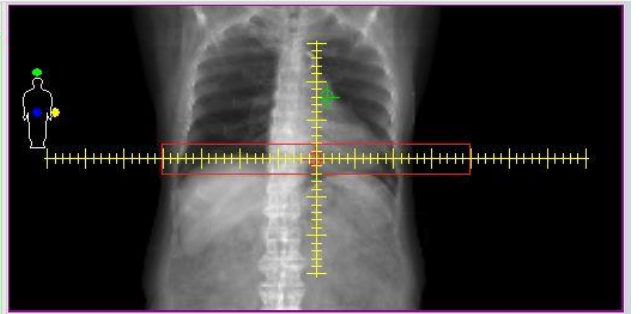
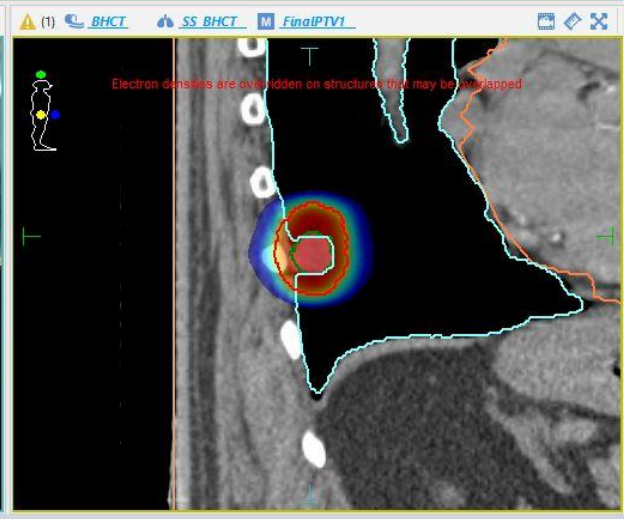
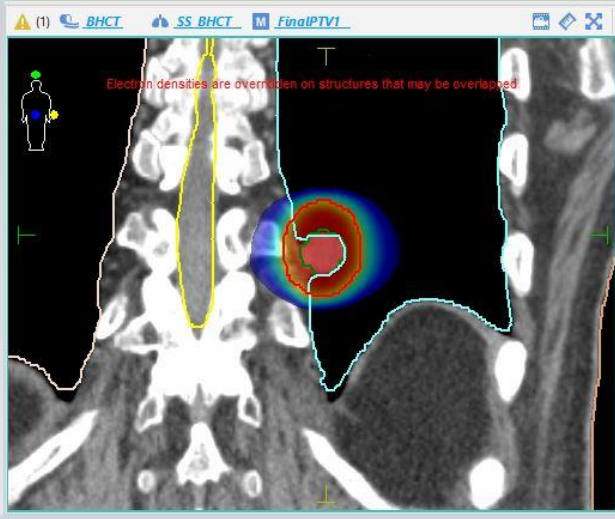
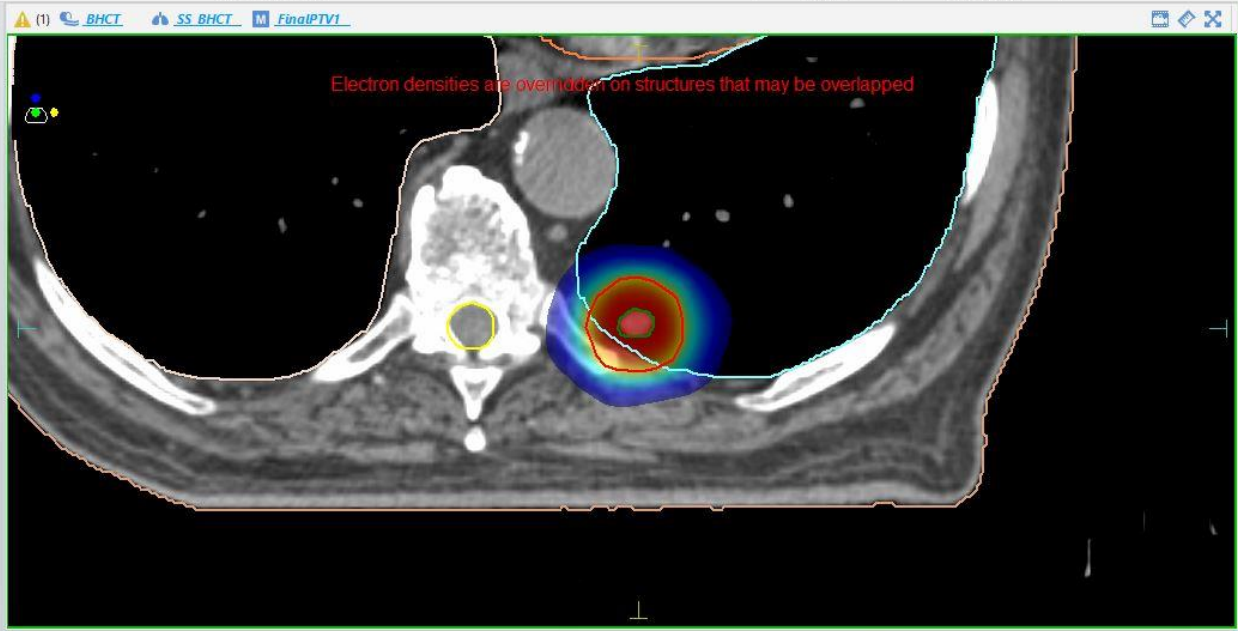
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Cutoff %

Beam Visibility Workspace

ColorWash





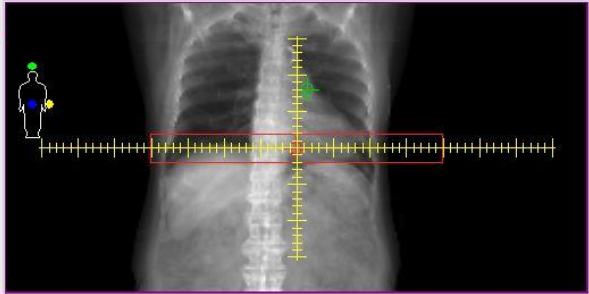
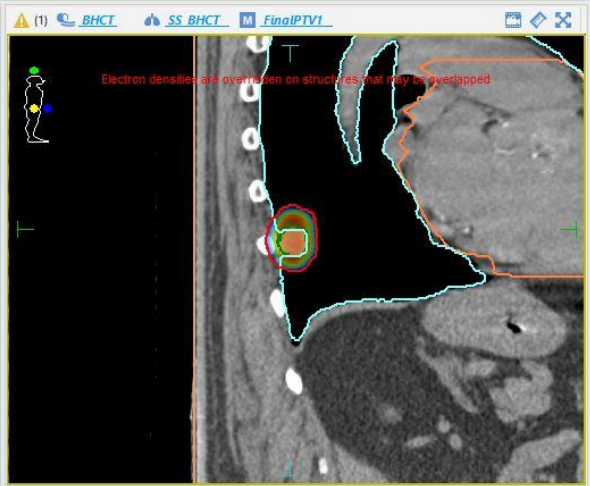
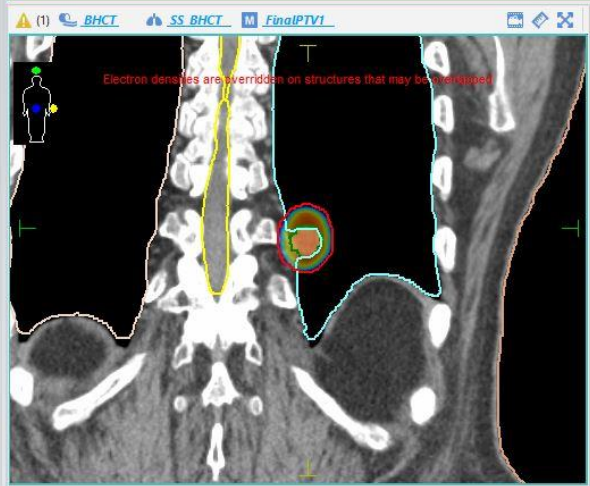
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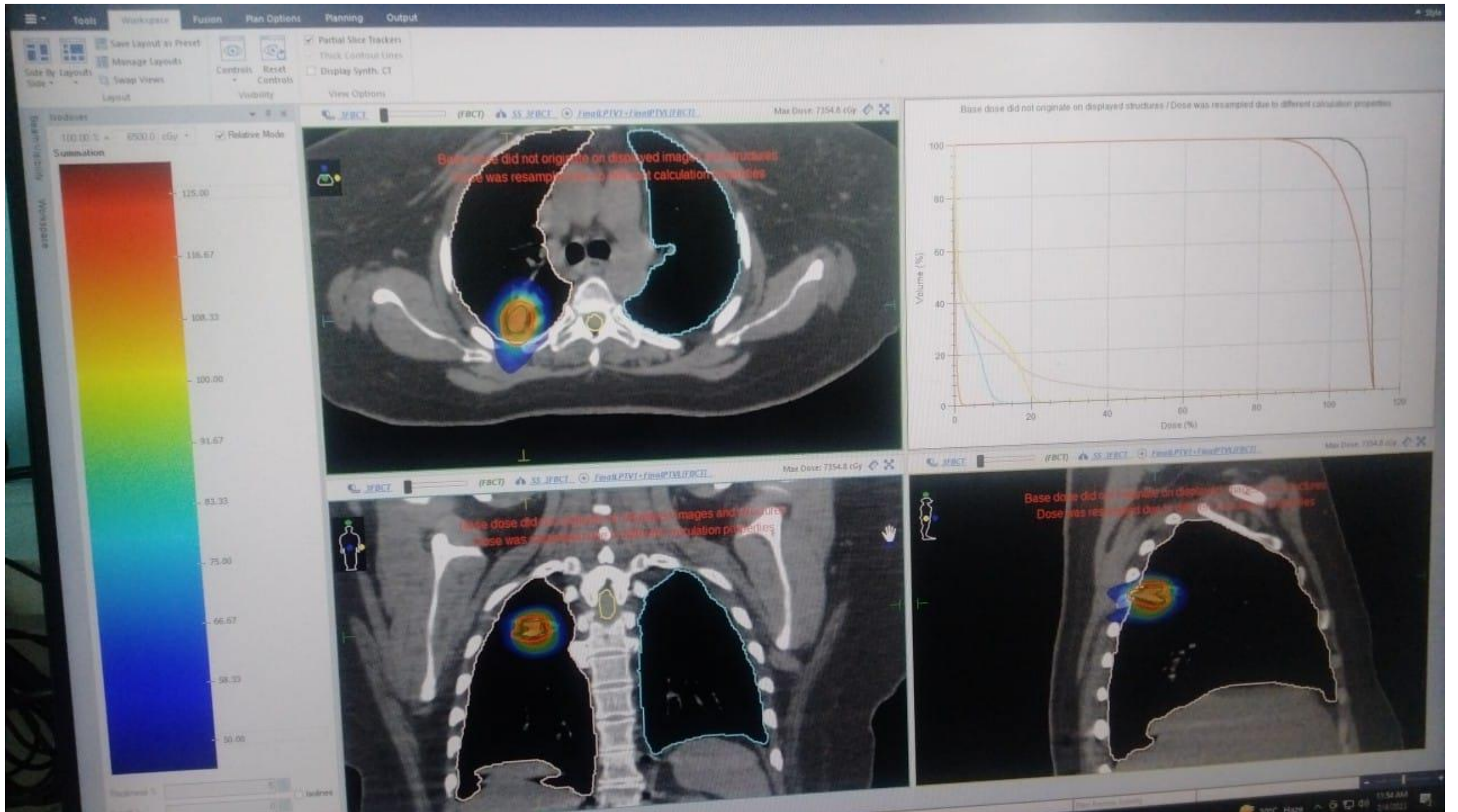
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Thickness %: 5  Isolines  
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- 45 Gy / 5 # - Lung

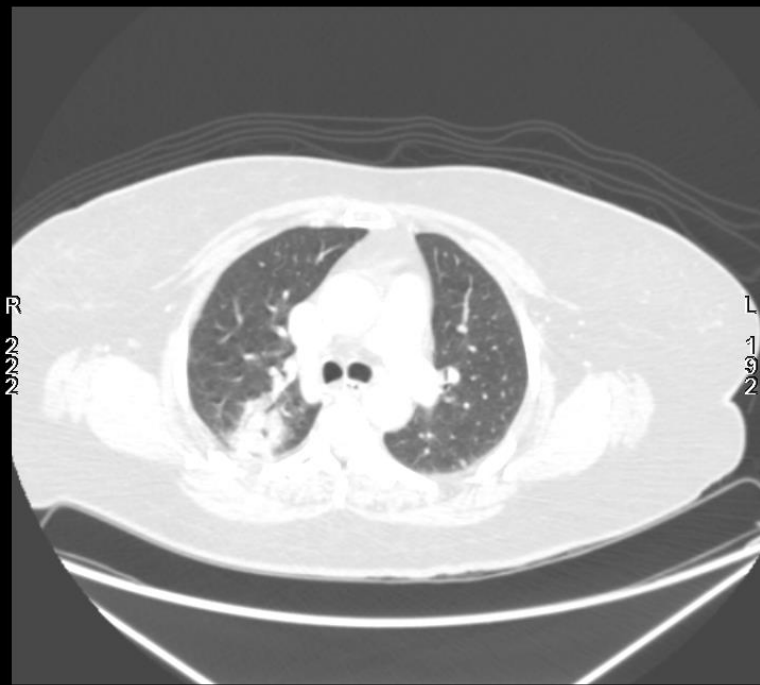


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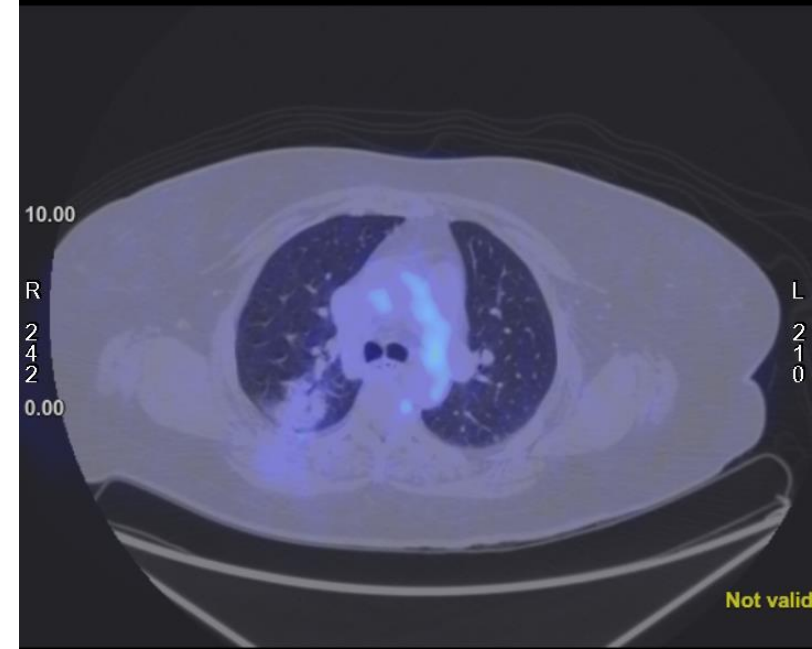
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WB PET VPHD<->WB CECT 1.25mm Axial  
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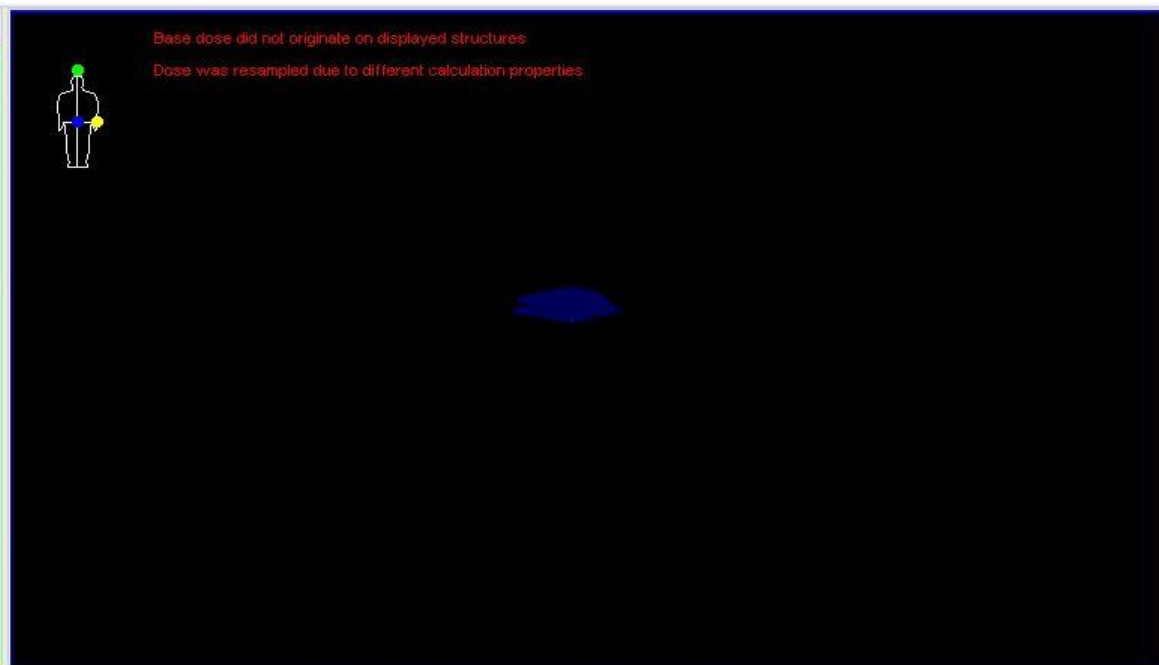
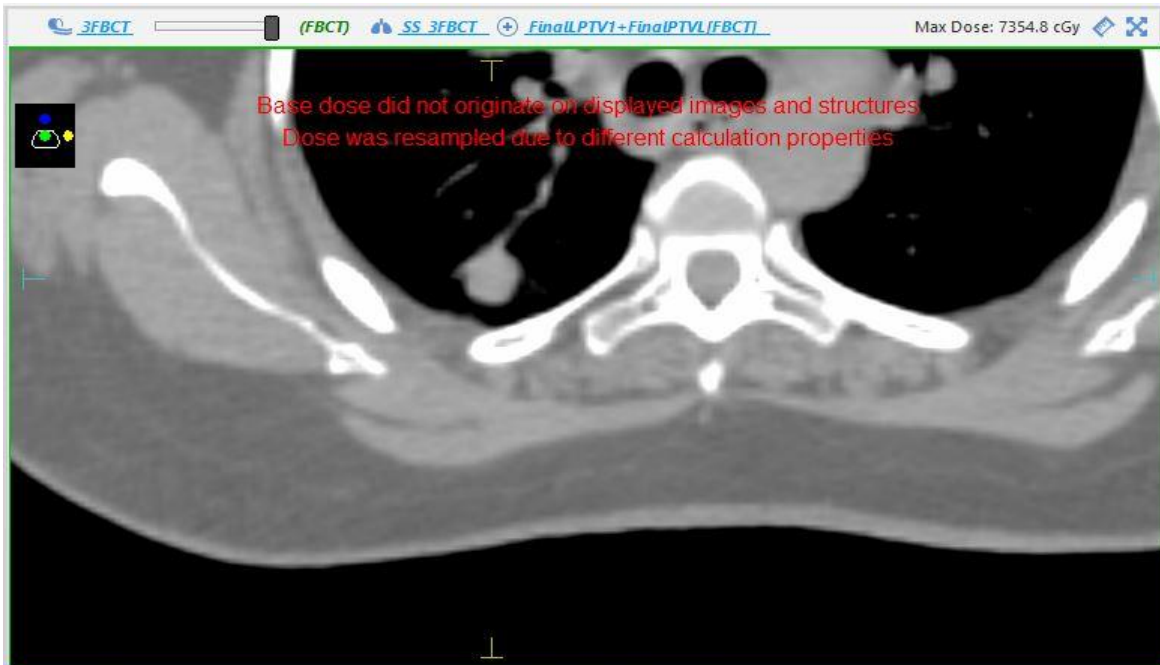
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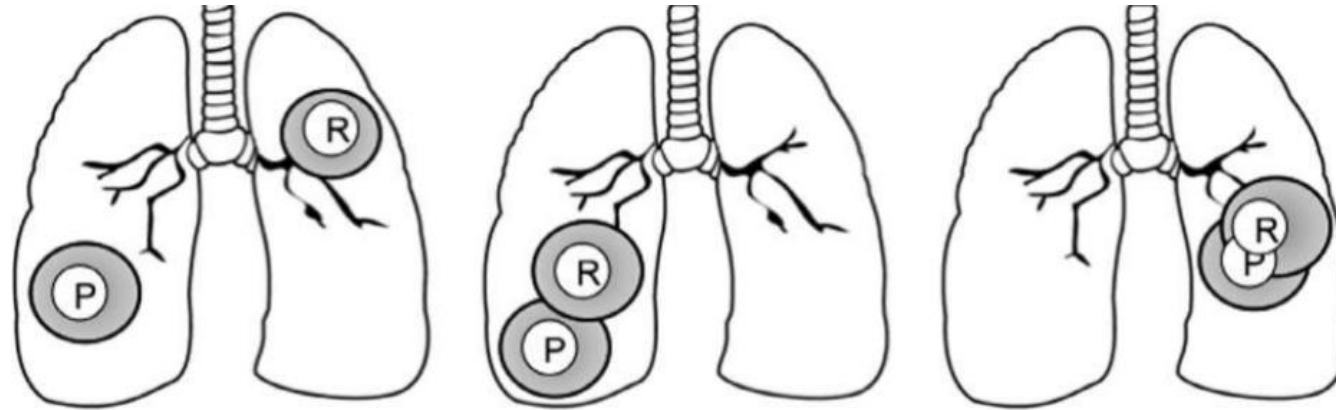
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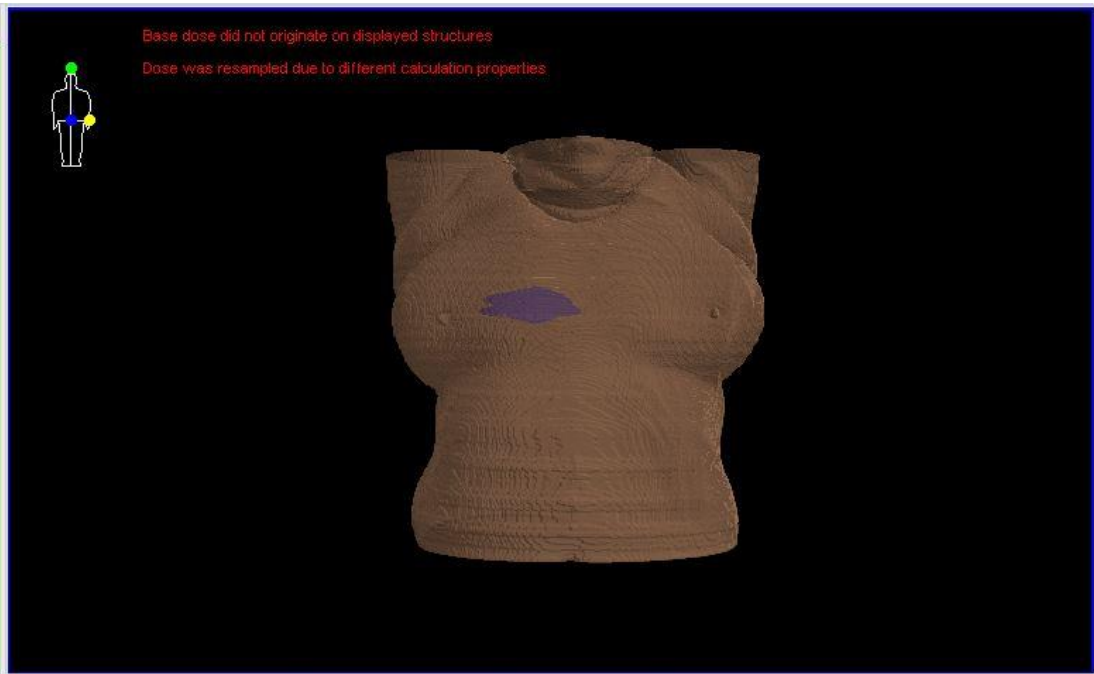
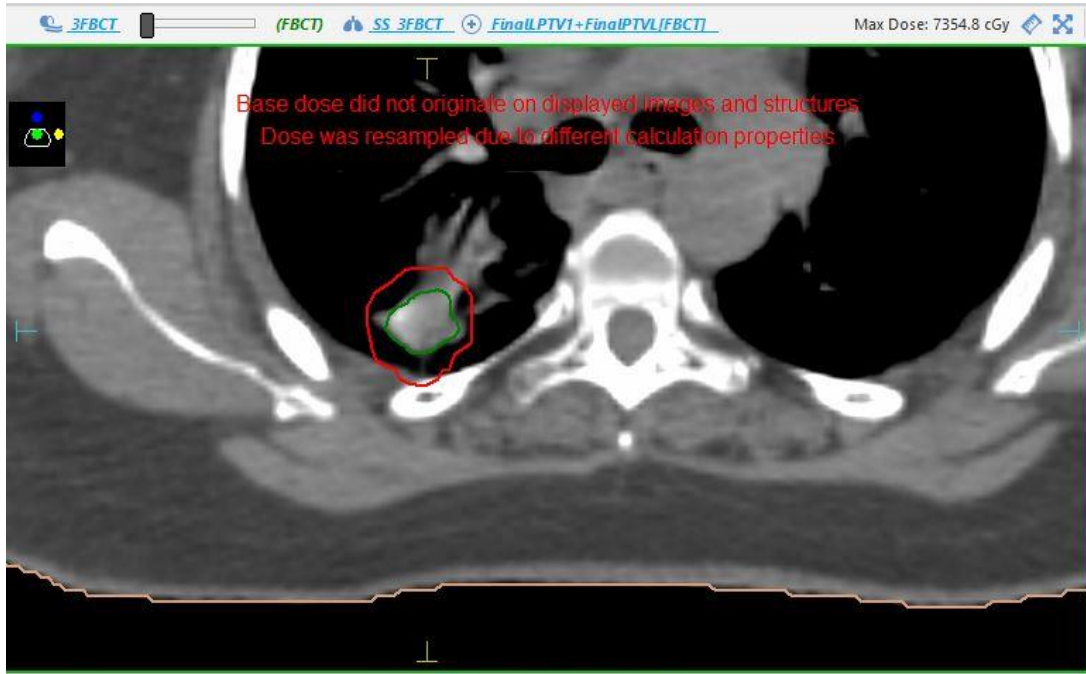


# Reirradiation of the Thorax

- Feasibility of treating with curative intent depends on site of primary (P) and recurrent (R) tumors

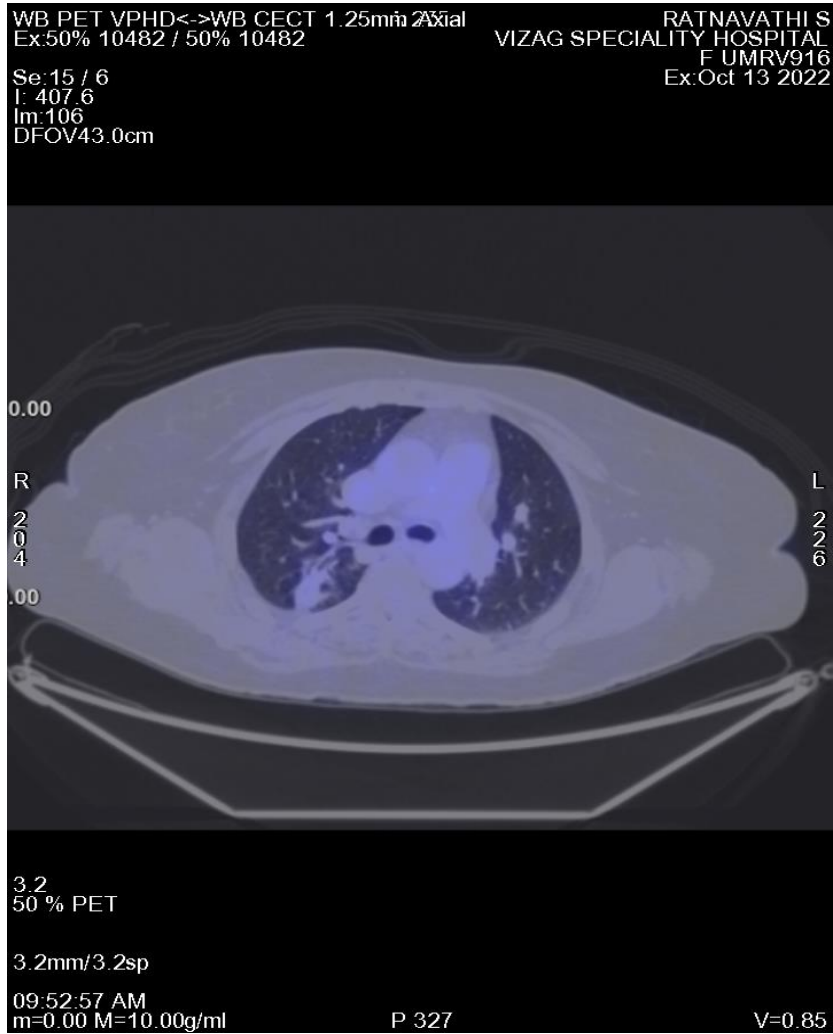


- Advanced treatment techniques are particularly useful for sparing normal tissue (e.g., IMRT, SBRT, protons)
  - Reirradiating central structures (e.g., esophagus, airway) most challenging
  - Long-term toxicity is the major concern – impacted by dose/fraction



- **20 Gy in 4 #**

# Oct 2022





WB PET VPHD 3D  
DFOV126.4cm  
HD MIP No cut

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UMRV916  
Ex:Oct 13 2022



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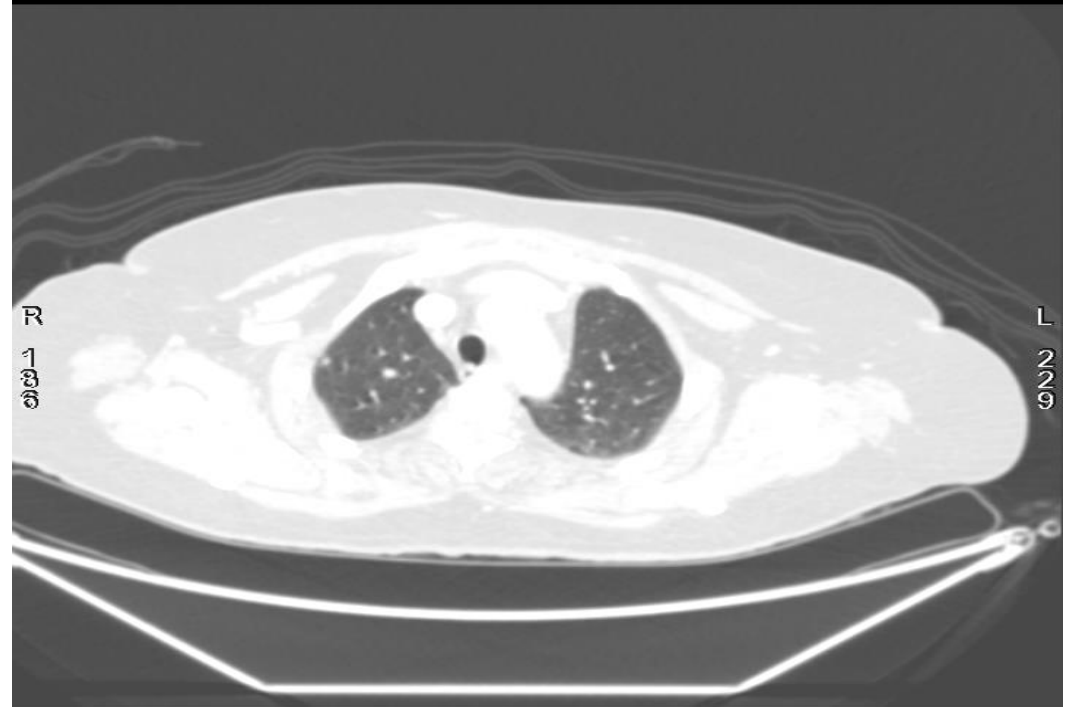
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Im:249  
DFOV41.4cm  
SOFT



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3  
2

L  
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# While Execution

- SBRT
- Daily CBCT
- 4D CBCT for >1 cm motion tumors
- Hypo
- CBCT on day 1
- 4D CBCT for >1 cm motion
- Daily CBCT if PTV is close

