Anatomical Adaptive Radiation Therapy

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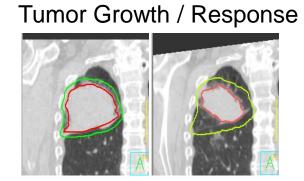


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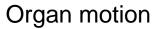
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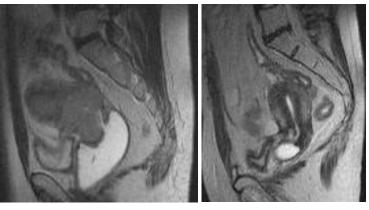
Anatomical Variability - Sources

- Musculoskeletal (articulation / swallowing)
- Motion (breathing, peristalsis, heartbeat)
- Disease progression / response
- Primary
- Secondary (pleural effusion)
- Other immobilization / applicator

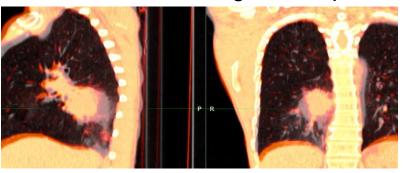


Collapsed Lung





Multifactorial - breathing and response

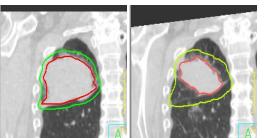


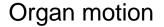
Anatomical Variability - Considerations

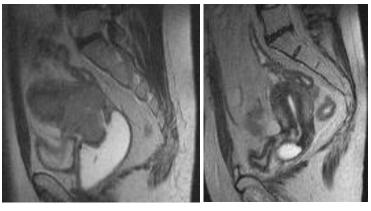
- Rigid / non-rigid
- Time scale
- Pattern
- Magnitude
- Affected tissues

Tumor Growth / Response

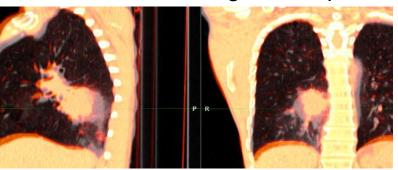
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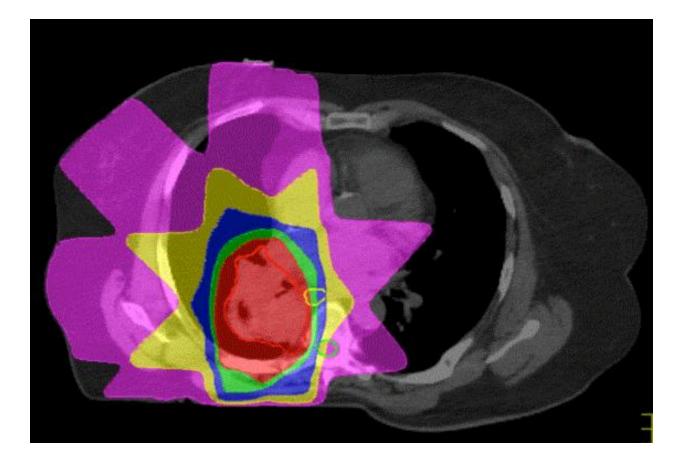
Anatomical Variability during RT

Geometric variability => target volume size

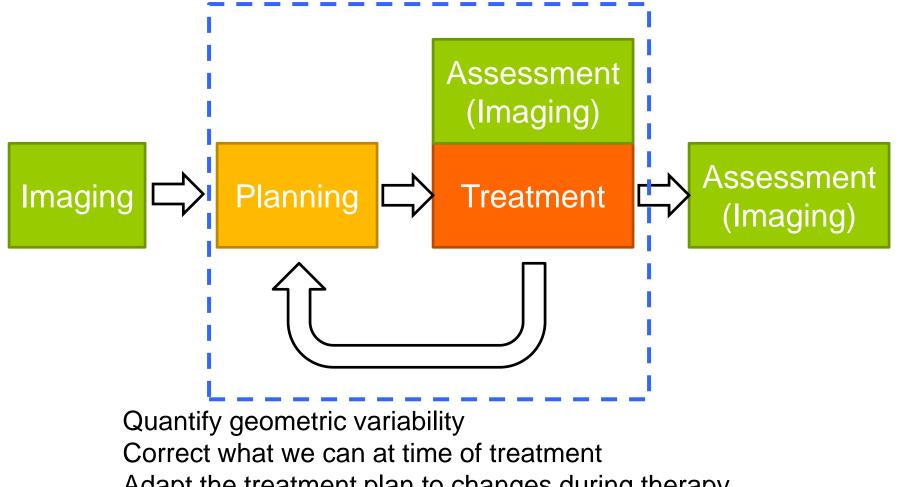
Geometric variability => uncertainty in normal tissue dose

Higher precision => less toxicity, better local control

Better estimates of delivered dose => better outcome models



Adaptive Radiation Therapy

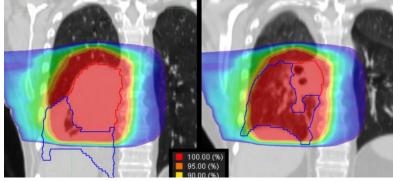


Adapt the treatment plan to changes during therapy

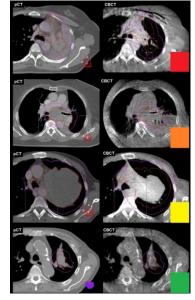
Enabling Technologies for Adaptive RT



Onboard Imaging



Replanning

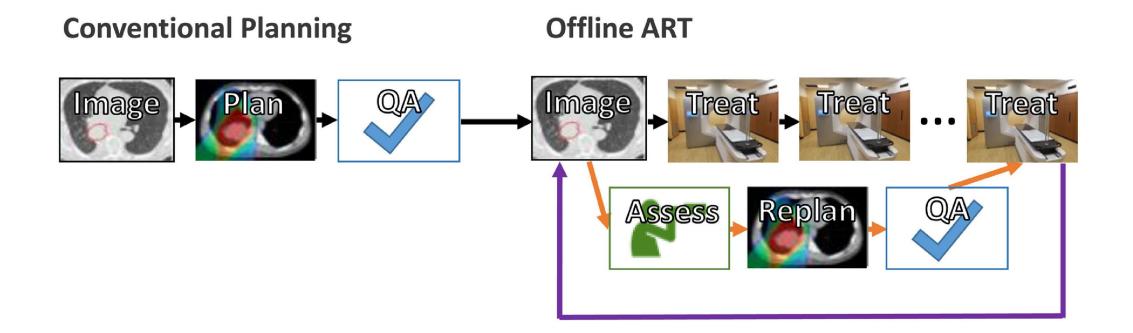


Decision Making

Timescales of Adaptive RT

- Offline
- Online
- Realtime

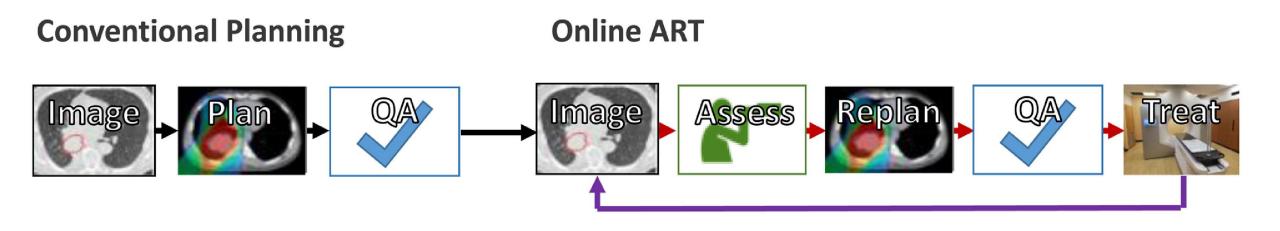
Timescales of Adaptive RT - Offline



Treatments continue while adaptive process performed outside of treatment space

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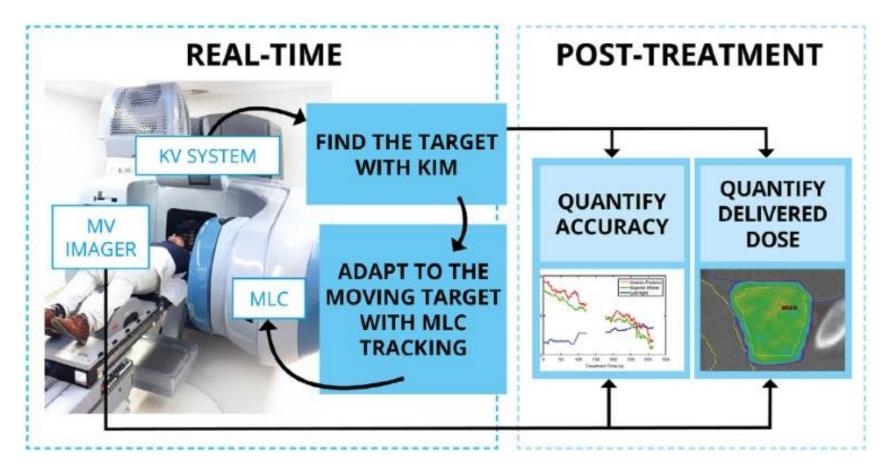
Timescales of Adaptive RT - Online



Adaptive process performed while patient is on the treatment table, immediately prior to treatment

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Timescales of Adaptive RT - Realtime



Adaptive process performed while patient is on the treatment table, continually during treatment

Keall Radioth Oncol 2018

Timescales of Adaptive RT

Offline

- Economical
- Manages slow or singular changes
- Can use diagnostic images
- Can't manage daily change
- Typically more manual

Online

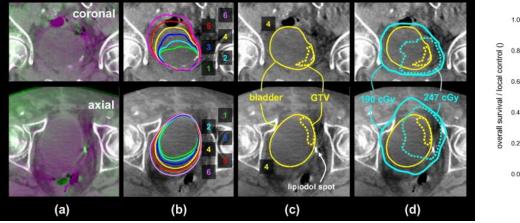
- Semi-automated toolset
- Typically single integrated system
- Most variabilities
- Risk of anatomical changes during / after replan
- Additional QA burden
- Requires intrafraction
 motion management

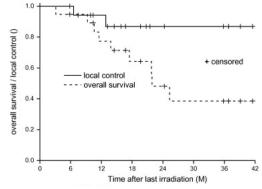
Realtime

- Most responsive to high frequency changes
- Most direct, no need to model / manage other sources
- Requires most automation
- Less commercial availability
- Highest QA burden

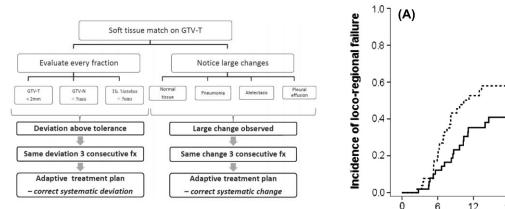
Clinical Trials – Adaptive RT

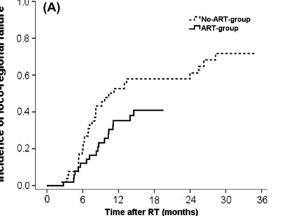
Bladder Cancer – Hybrid Online/Offline – Meijer Radiother Oncol 2012



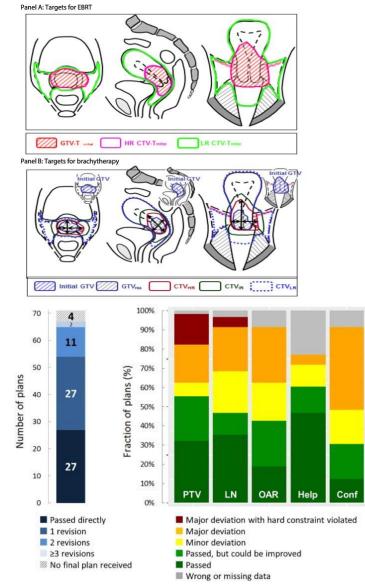


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Cervical Cancer / IGABT EMBRACE-II

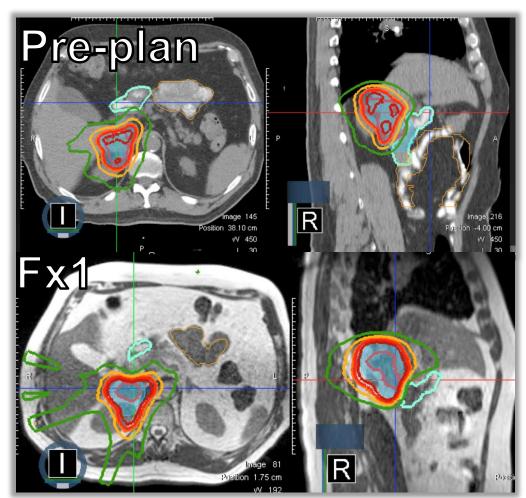


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Phase I Trial - Stereotactic MR-Guided Online Adaptive RT (SMART)

- 20 patients with unresectable primary or oligometastatic disease of the liver (n = 10) & non-liver (n=10) abdomen planned for SBRT
- Prescription: 50Gy/5fx with SMART approach
- Isotoxicity approach, with dose escalation (or de-escalation) based on hard OAR constraints
- Breath hold or gating managed by realtime cine MR

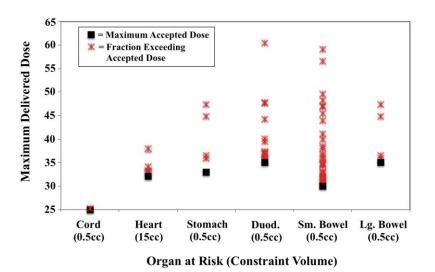
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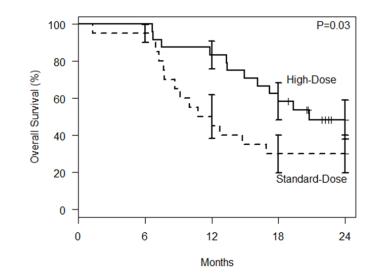


Phase I Trial - Stereotactic MR-Guided Online Adaptive RT (SMART)

- 83% (79/95) fx adapted—all patients had ≥ 1
- Primarily (70/95 fx) to protect OARs after interfx motion
- 100% of OAR violations resolved with adaptive planning
- No Grade 3+ toxicity at median 11.8 mo f/u. Expected up to 30% based on prior reports accounting for motion (Hoyer, et al. 2005)

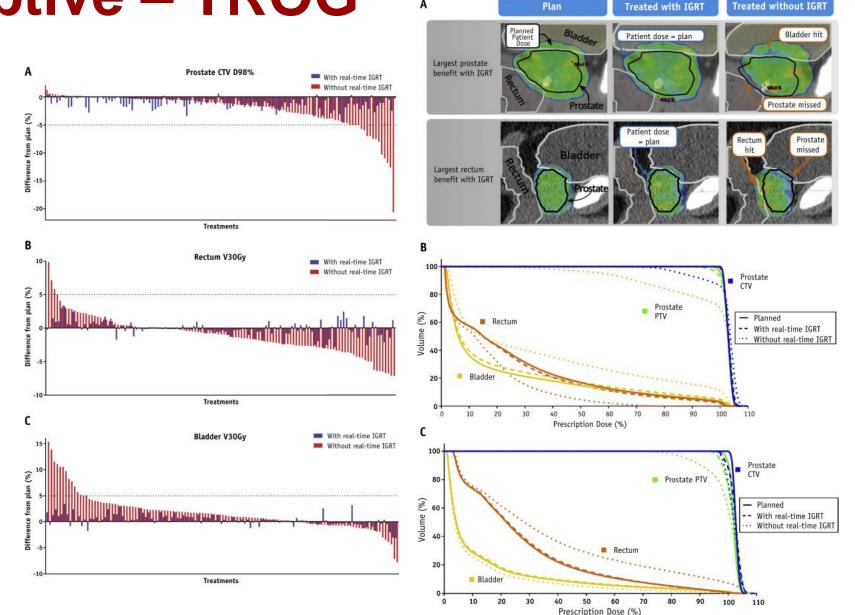






Realtime Adaptive – TROG 15.01 SPARK A Prostae CV D9%

- 48 prostate ca patients
- 88% patients > 1 correction
- CTV D98% within 5% with realtime IGRT
- No grade 3 toxicity
- Multi-vendor!



Keall P et al, IJROBP, 2020

Adaptive RT – Needs Assessment

- Trials, trials trials!
- Automation and QA of automation
- Robust workflow models
- Training programs
- Tools for managing complex, multifactorial variability



 Anatomical variability can be managed in part by adaptive radiation therapy.

 Different types of adaptive RT for different time scales of variability.

• Work remains to produce clinical evidence, develop workflow and robustness, and manage complex changes.

