



Multiparametric MRI for Precision Oncology and Radiation Oncology: A Physician's Perspective

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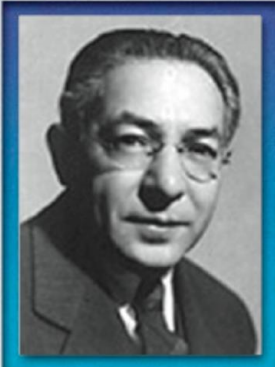
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Nobel Prizes in Magnetic Resonance

1944



Isidor Isaac Rabi

Nobel Prize in Physics

"for his resonance method for recording the magnetic properties of atomic nuclei."

1952

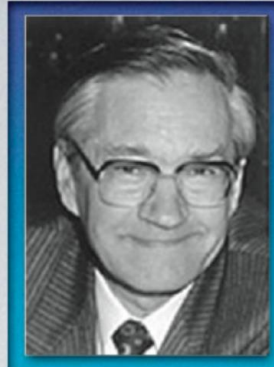


Felix Bloch and Edward Mills Purcell

Nobel Prize in Physics

"for their development of new methods for nuclear magnetic precision measurements and discoveries in connection therewith."

1991



Richard R. Ernst

Nobel Prize in Chemistry

"for his contributions to the development of the methodology of high resolution nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy for determining the structure of molecules in solution."

2002

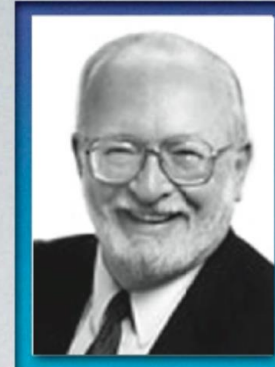


Kurt Wüthrich

Nobel Prize in Chemistry

"for his development of nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy for determining the structure of molecules in solution."

2003



Paul C. Lauterbur and Sir Peter Mansfield

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine

"for their discoveries concerning magnetic resonance imaging."

MRI play an important role in medicine.

1930s:

Discovered

mag
prop
nuclei

1940s:

NMR measurement in

1950s:

Pulsed NMR in

1970s:

Obtained first 2D MRI

The role of Multiparametric MRI is growing rapidly.

Poster resource: ISMRM

Courtesy of Yuenan Wang

1st revolution: *in vivo* spectroscopy

2nd revolution:
magnetic field gradients
for spatial encoding →
Image resolution: mm

MpMRI for Precision Oncology and Radiation Oncology (RT): A Physician's View

- Multiparametric MRI in **precision oncology**
 - Precision screening, diagnosis, staging, treatment response and recurrent assessment
- Multiparametric MRI in **precision RT**
 - Precision simulation, target delineation and RT plan
 - Precision treatment delivery
 - Precision treatment response prediction
 - Precision detection of tumor recurrence
- Multiparametric MRI **future potential**

What is Multiparametric Magnetic Resonance Imaging (mpMRI)?

What Is MpMRI?

- “A multiparametric MRI (mpMRI) is a combination of two or more sequences, and/or including other specialized MRI configurations such as spectroscopy”

The Wiki Definition

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MRI_sequence

No definition from official organizations like AAPM, ACR, RSNA....

MpMRI Multiple MRI Sequences

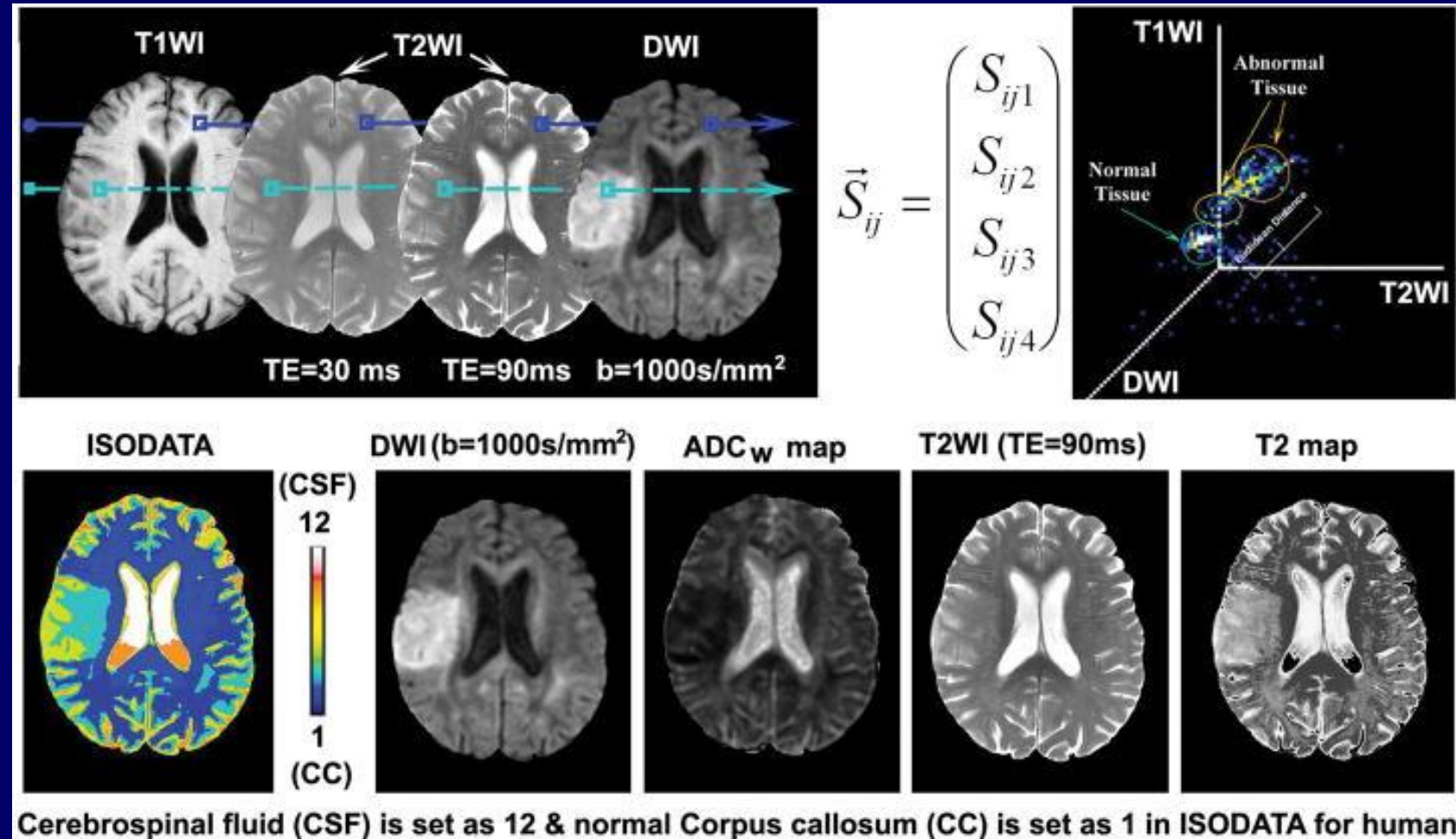
- Anatomic T1 weighted, T2 weighted sequences
 - Additional MRI sequences:
 - Diffusion-Weighted Images (DWI)
 - Dynamic Contrast Images (DCI)
 - Proton Density Images (PDI)
 - Flow sensitive images like MR angiography, MR venography, CSF flow study
 - Cholangiopancreatography (MRCP), MR Spectroscopy, MR perfusion, functional MRI...
- In general, MRI sequences vary with diseases and anatomic sites.
Selection of MRI Sequence shall be individualized to the site and function.**

MpMRI for the Brain

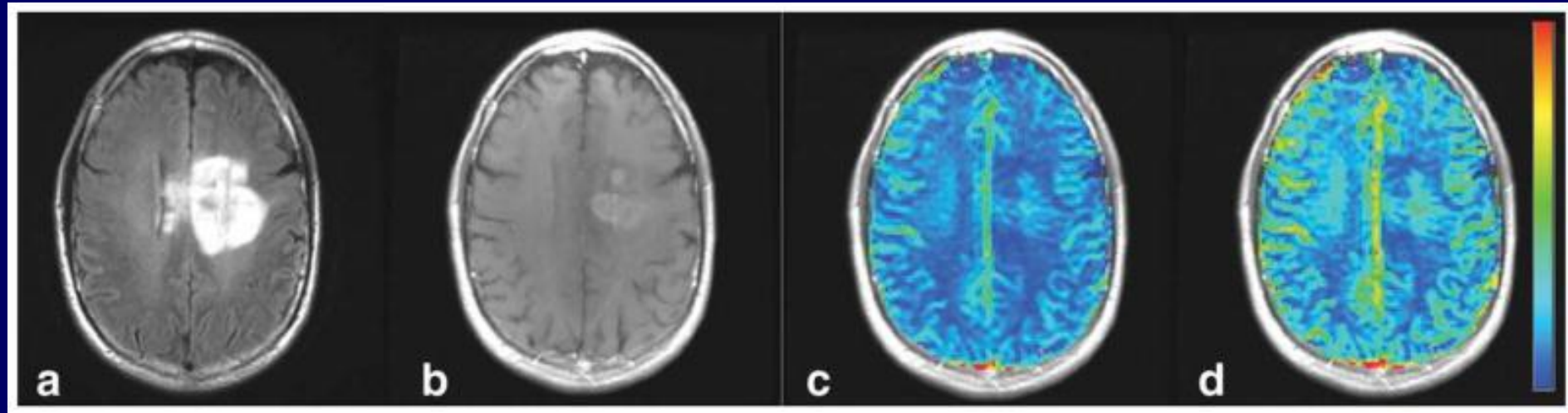
- “Combining **multiple imaging contrasts** that reflect different aspects of pathophysiological processes ...”

ADC=Apparent diffusion coefficient)

ISODATA=Iterative Self-Organizing Data Analysis Technique



Relative Cerebral Blood Volume (rCBV)



Fluid-Attenuated
Inversion Recovery
Images (FLAIR)

Post-
contrast T1WI

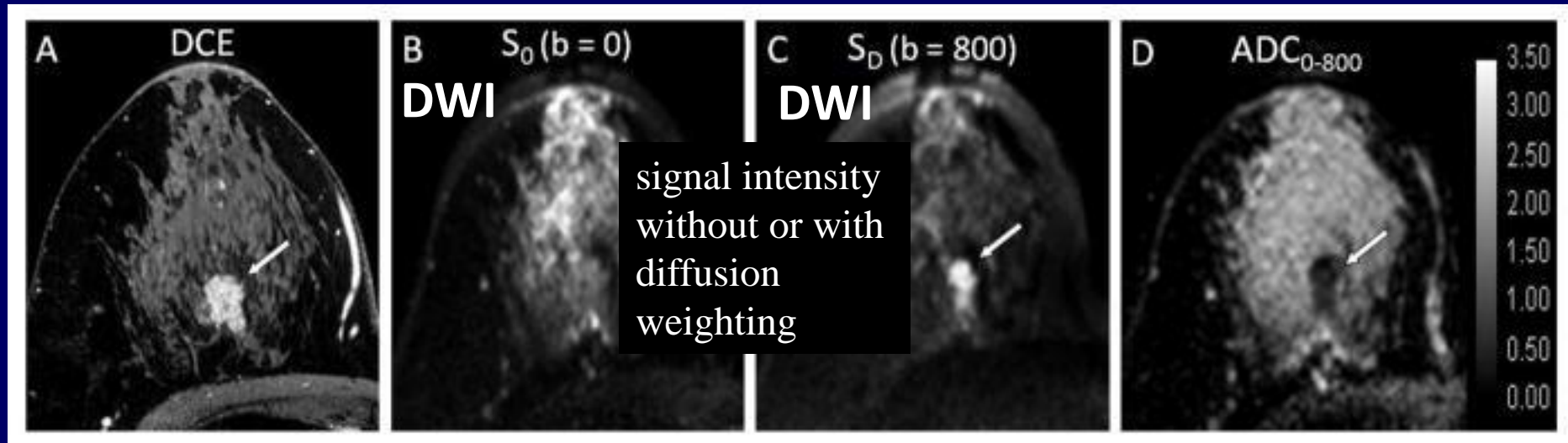
Pre-STD
rCBV maps

post-STD
rCBV maps

Bedekar et al: Magn Reson Med. 2010 Sep; 64(3): 907–913.

MpMRI for Breast

- MpMRI of breast, can be done by different field strengths (1.5-7 T), include DWI, MRS, with Novel MRI parameters (sodium imaging, chemical exchange saturation transfer imaging, blood oxygen level-dependent), and hybrid imaging with PET/MRI and different radiotracers.



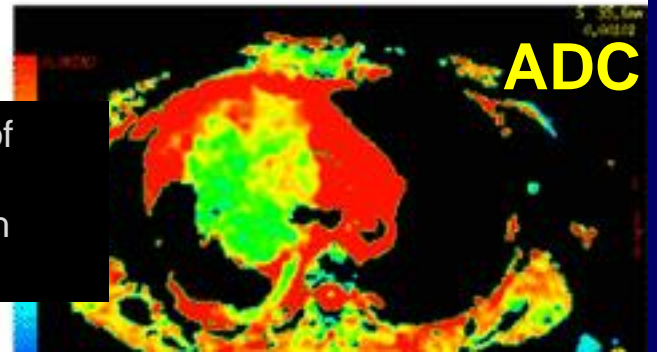
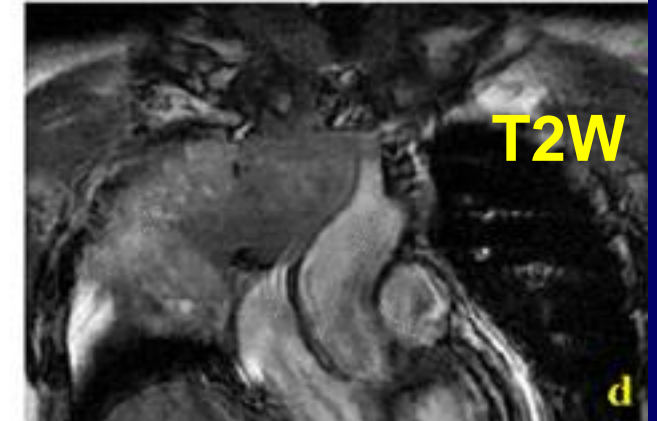
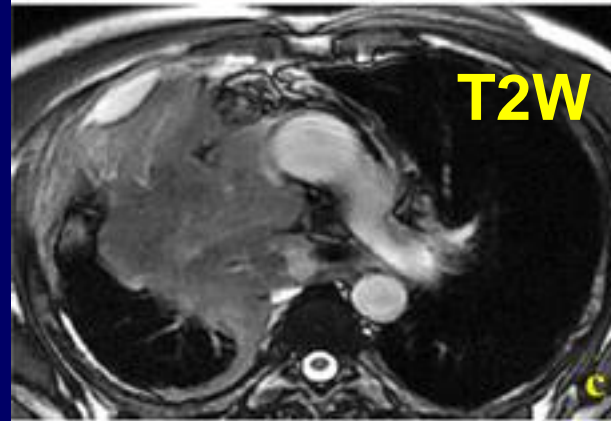
MpMRI for Lung

- Conventional T1W,T2W
- T2-weighted fast spin echo (FSE) imaging with and without fat saturation
- Inversion recovery techniques
- T1-spin echo sequence
- Gradient echo sequence (GRE)

Bierder et al, Insights Imaging, 2012 Aug; 3(4): 355–371.

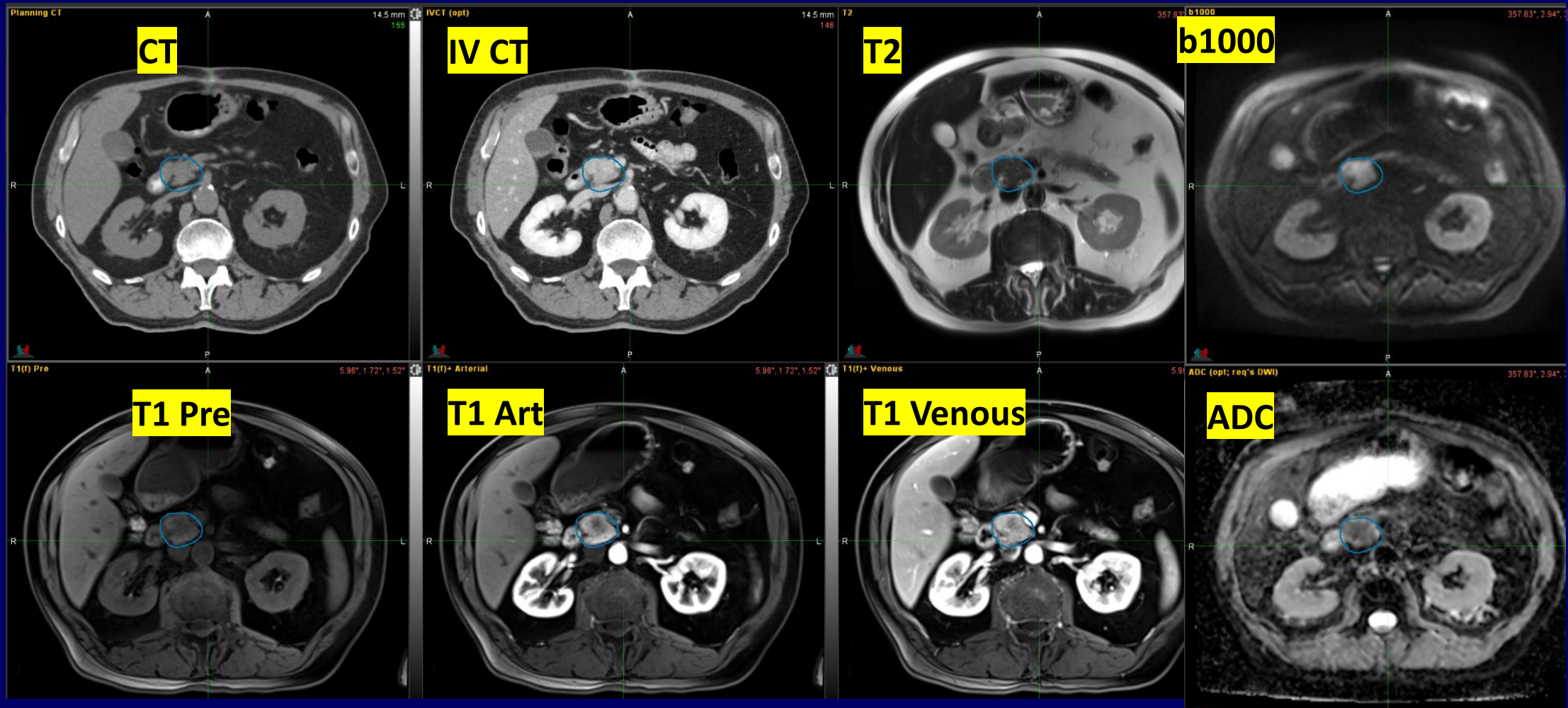
T2W FSE-MRI is favorable for the mediastinum. Normal lung tissue can be seen on single-shot sequences (HASTE or TrueFISP). Lung nodules are ideally visualized with a volumetric interpolated 3D-GRE sequence (e.g. VIBE)

~Bierder et al, 2003



Yang, RM, Li, L, Wei, XH. Differentiation of central lung cancer from atelectasis: comparison of diffusion-weighted MRI with PET/CT. PLoS One. 2013;8(4):1–8.

MpMRI for Pancreas

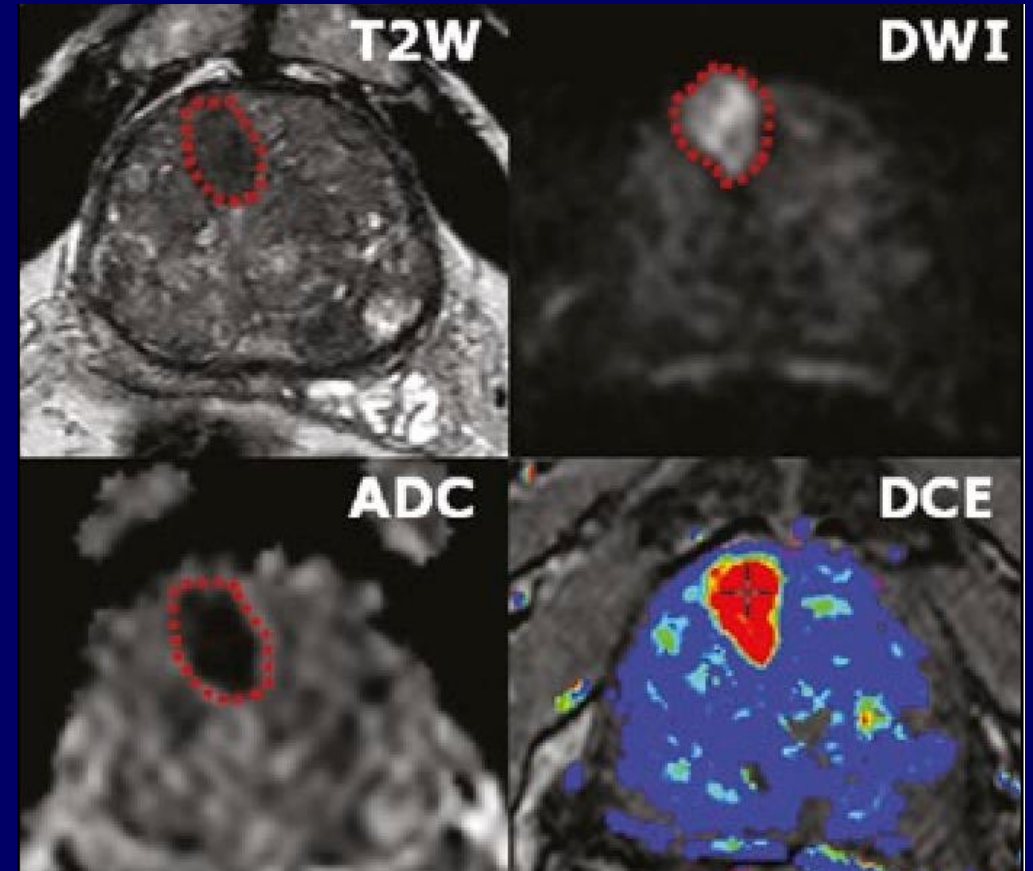


A case of Pancreatic adenocarcinoma

Slide courtesy of Allen Li

MpMRI for Prostate

- **MpMRI of the prostate** combines anatomic information from T1-weighted and T2-weighted sequences with functional information from Diffusion-Weighted imaging (DWI) \pm ADC and dynamic contrast enhancement (DCE), \pm MRS



Bjurlin et al, 2016,
DOI:[10.5173/ceju.2016.734](https://doi.org/10.5173/ceju.2016.734)

Corpus ID: 17680536

Stabile et al, 2019, <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41585-019-0212-4>
<https://radiopaedia.org/articles/multiparametric-mri-mpmri-of-the-prostate>

MpMRI for Precision Oncology

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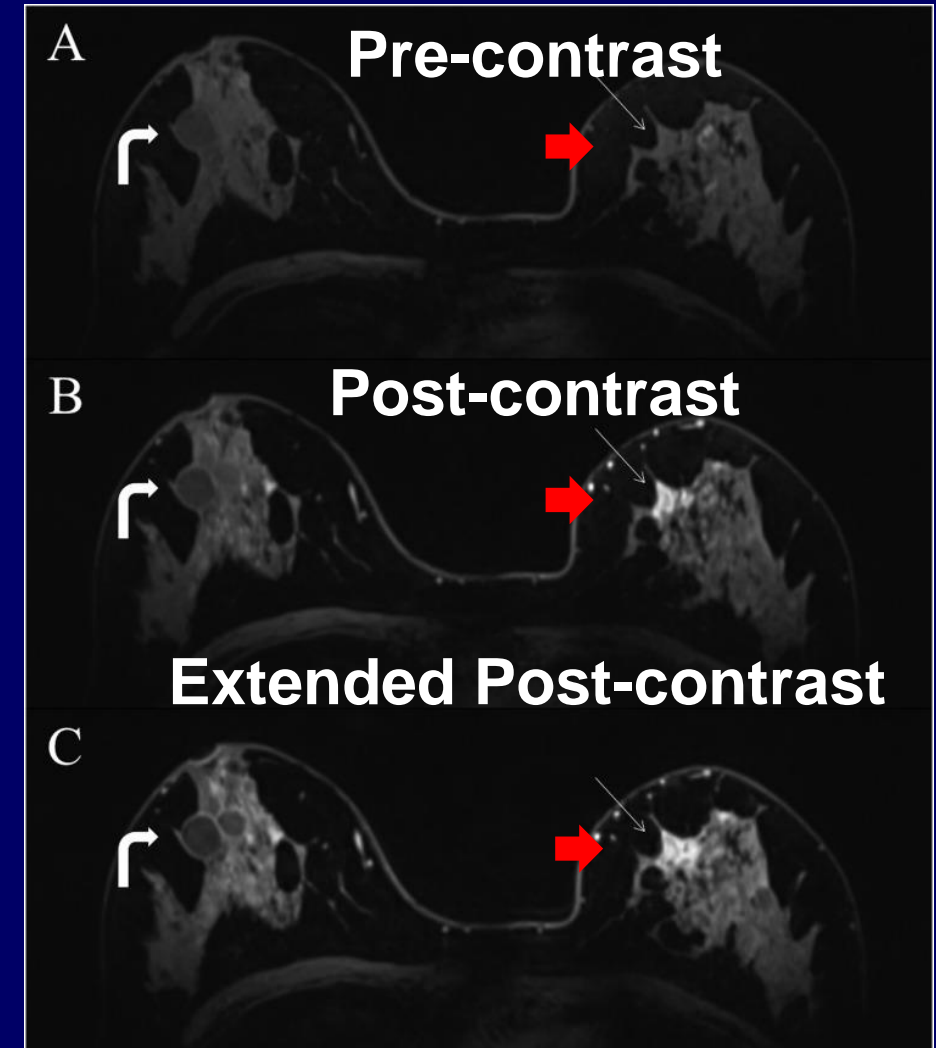
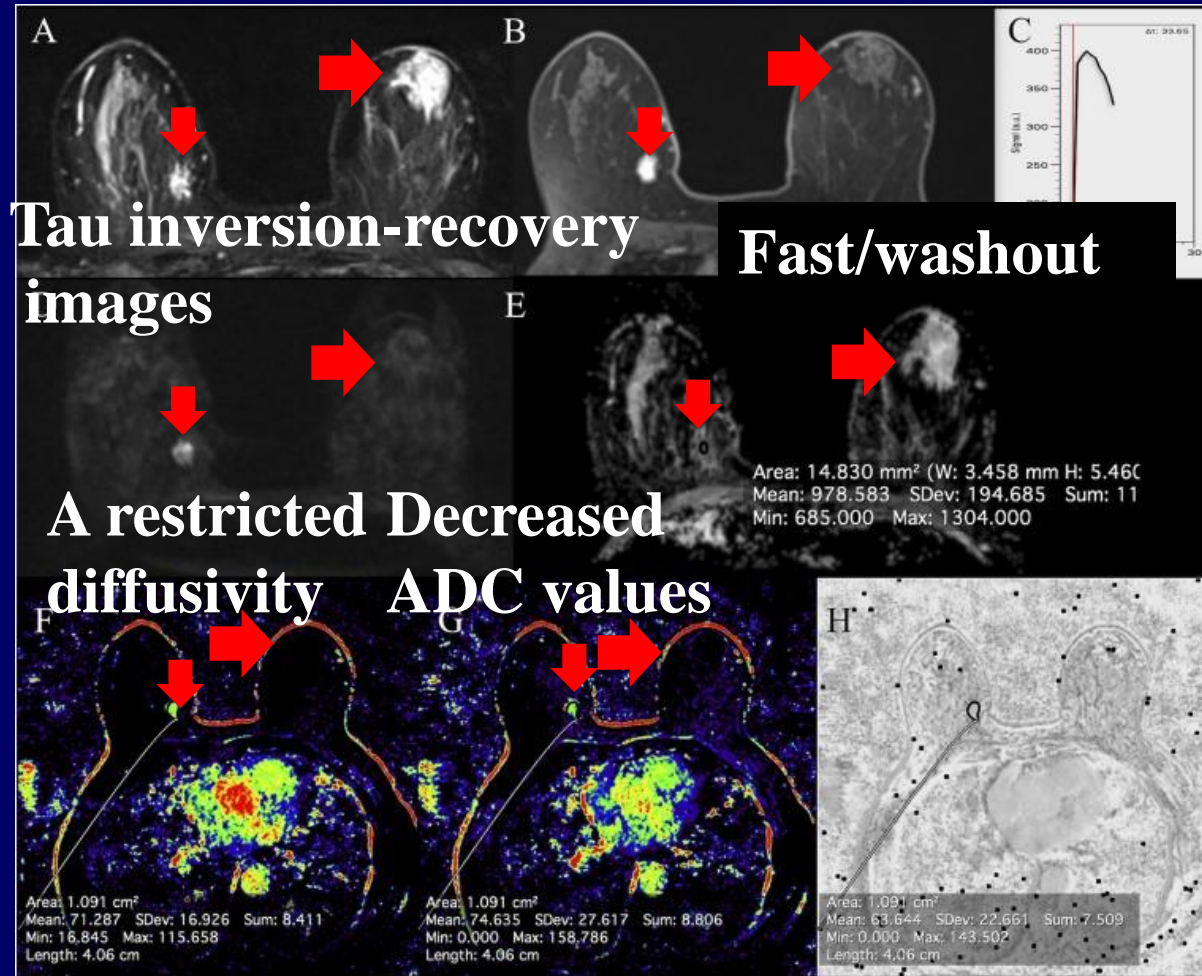
- Precision cancer screening, diagnosis, and staging
- Precision multidisciplinary treatment decision
- Precision treatment response prediction
- Precision post-treatment response assessment
- Precision detection of recurrent diseases

MRI is being used in clinic in almost all solid tumors

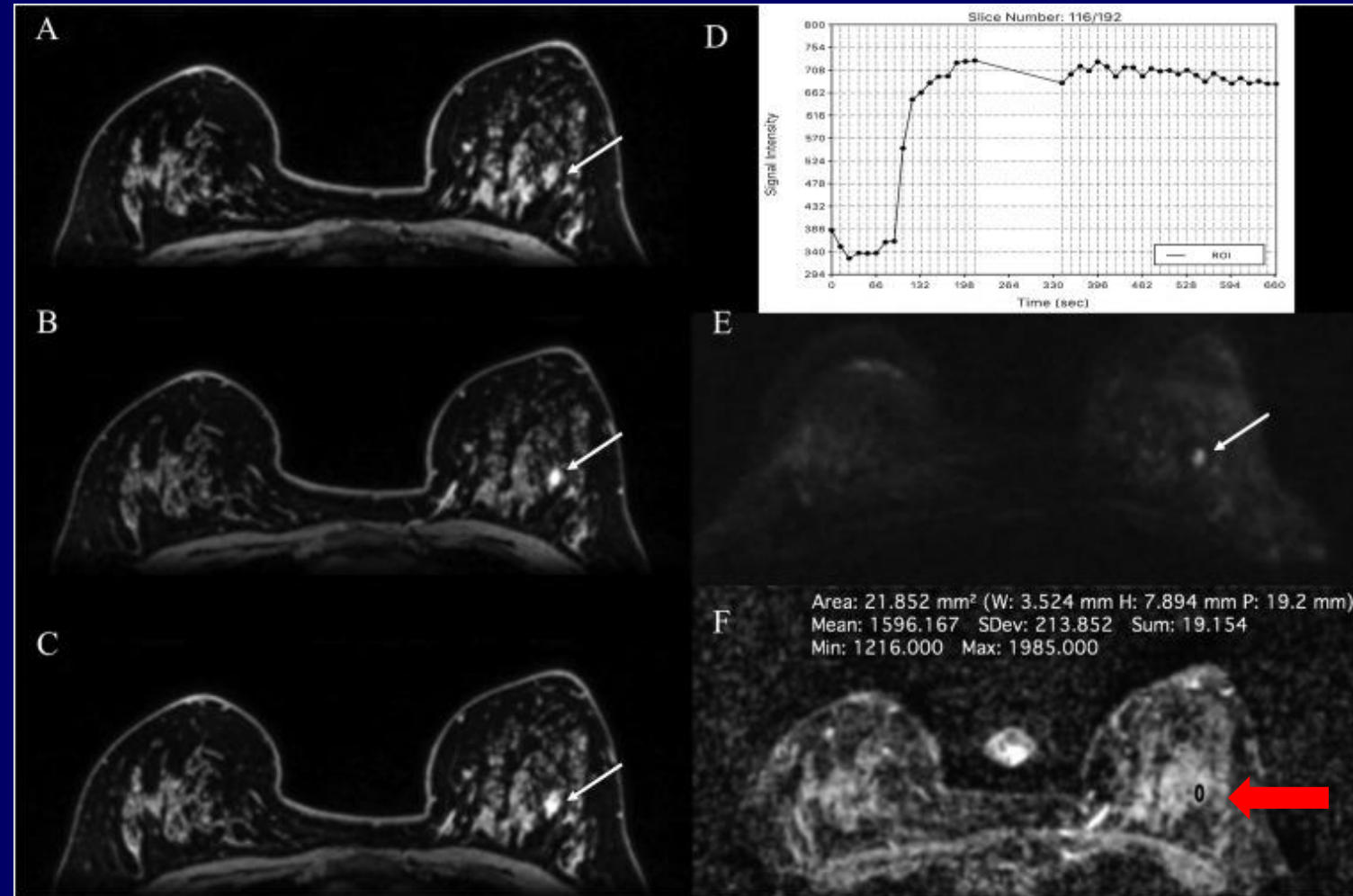
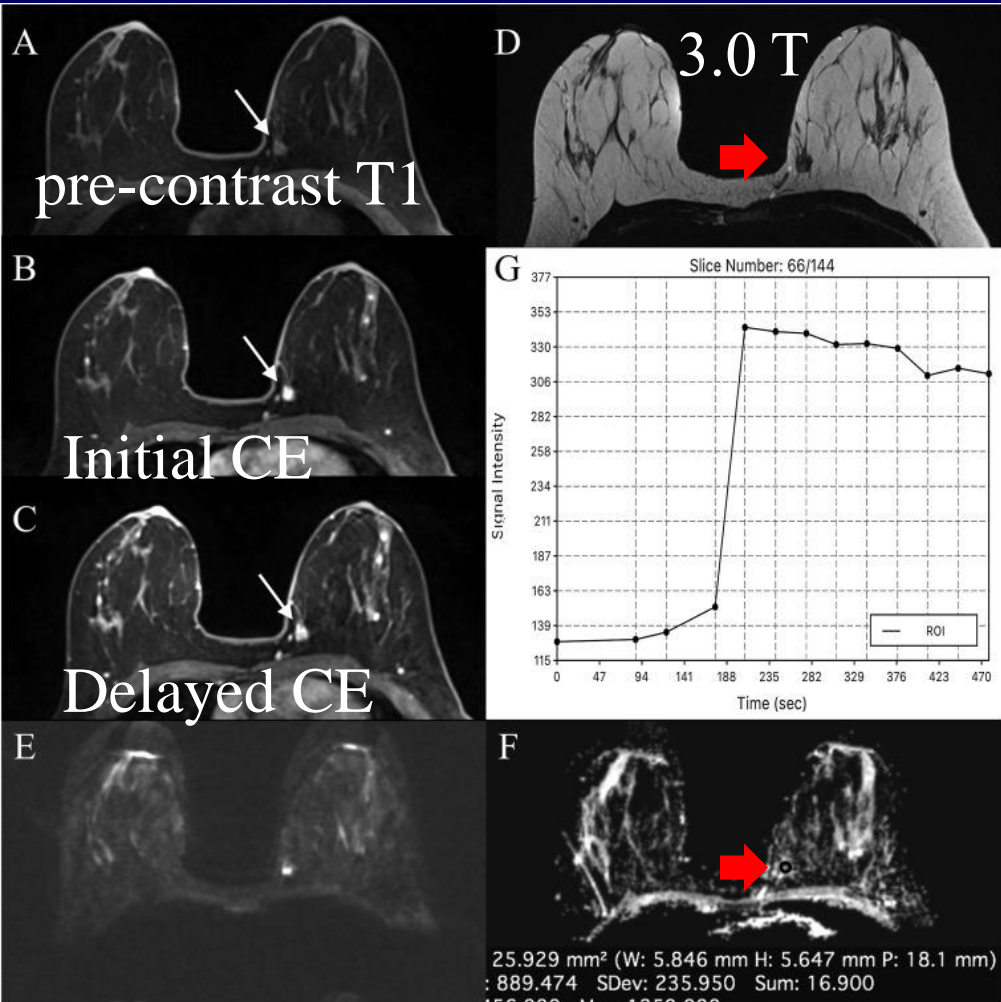
MpMRI in Breast Cancer Precision Care

- DCE-MRI is the most sensitive test for breast cancer detection, with a good specificity.
- DWI, sometimes MRS and higher field strengths ($\geq 3\text{T}$), has demonstrated improved sensitivity and specificity of breast cancer detection.
- MpMRI can quantify the functional processes of cancer development and progression at multiple levels
- MpMRI of the breast improves diagnostic accuracy in breast cancer and obviates unnecessary breast biopsies
- MpMRI of the breast enables an improved assessment and prediction of response to neo-adjuvant therapy.

MpMRI for Breast Cancer Diagnosis



MpMRI in Breast Cancer Diagnosis



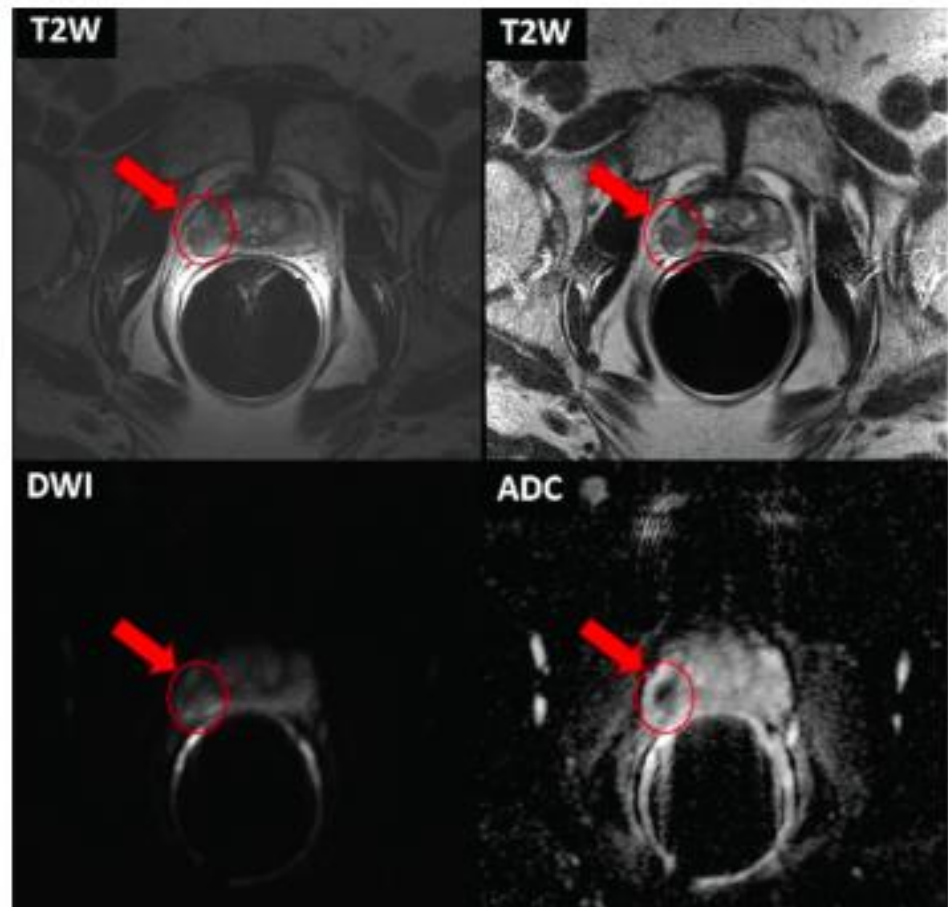
Low apparent diffusion coefficient values suggest breast cancer

Pinker et al, <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5605035/>

Multiparametric MRI in Prostate Cancer

- **Frequently studied and almost routinely used during daily practice**
- **Has advantage over conventional CT,**
 - **Screening**
 - **Surveillance**
 - **Lesion localization for biopsy**
 - **Cancer extent assessment (staging)**
 - **Treatment response assessment**

MpMRI Can Accurately Detect Prostate Cancer Nodules



MRI fusion Ultrasound 3D image of same lesion on fusion device screen

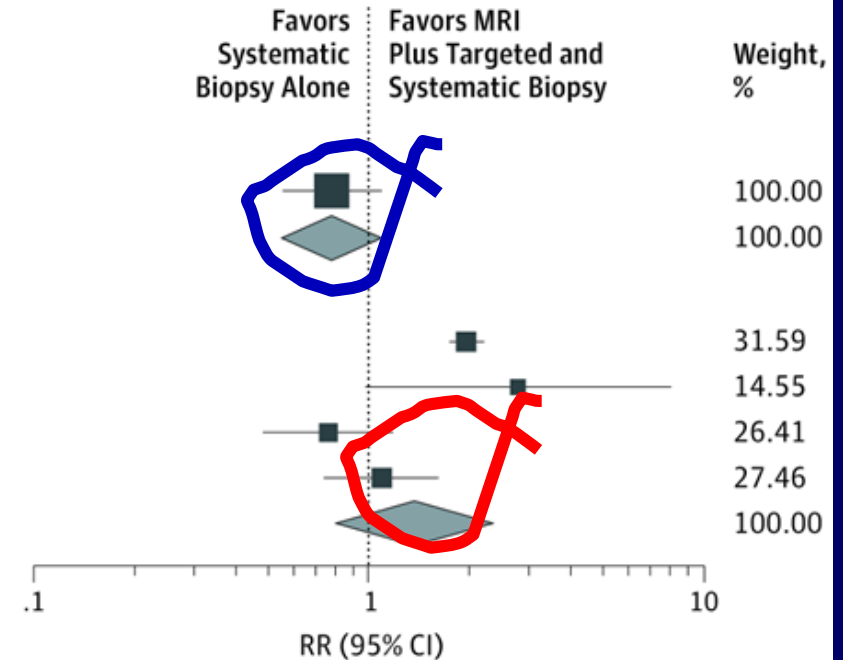
MpMRI Improves Biopsy Accuracy

- “prebiopsy mpMRI followed by a targeted biopsy into a PCa detection pathway may lead to the performance of fewer biopsies than a pathway using systematic biopsy alone. Such an approach may increase the likelihood of detecting csPCa, while reducing the detection of low-risk tumors.”

Elwenspoek et al, 2019
<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2747475>

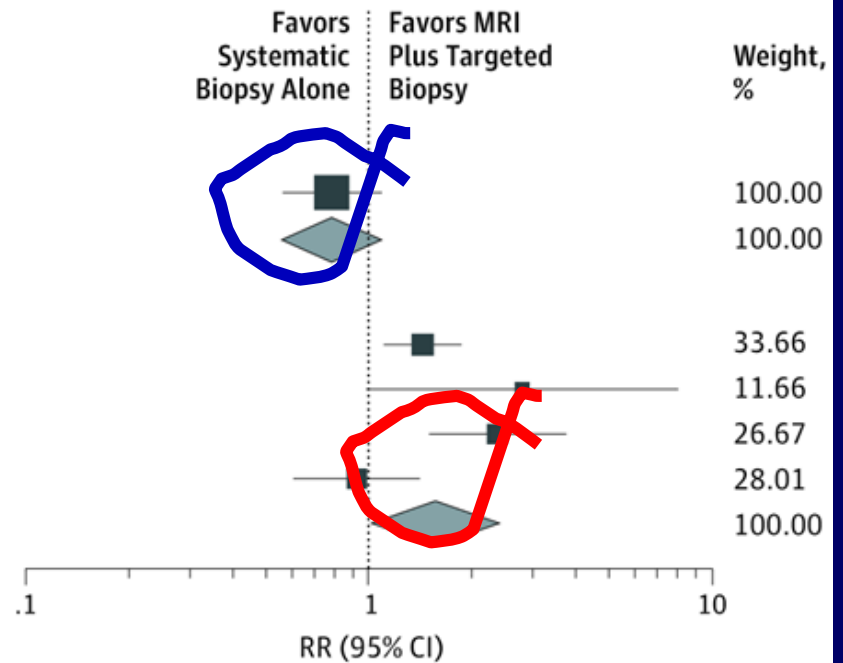
A MRI followed by targeted and systematic biopsy

Study	RR (95% CI)
<u>Biparametric MRI</u>	
Baco et al, ²⁵ 2016	0.78 (0.55-1.09)
Subtotal	0.78 (0.55-1.09)
<u>Multiparametric MRI</u>	
Panebianco et al, ²⁷ 2015	1.95 (1.73-2.20)
Park et al, ²⁸ 2011	2.80 (0.98-7.98)
Plata-Bello et al, ³¹ 2018	0.76 (0.49-1.18)
Tontilla et al, ³⁰ 2016	1.09 (0.74-1.61)
Subtotal ($I^2 = 87.2\%$, $P = .00$)	1.36 (0.79-2.34)



B MRI followed by targeted biopsy

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Tontilla et al, ³⁰ 2016	0.92 (0.60-1.41)
Subtotal ($I^2 = 70.7\%$, $P = .02$)	1.57 (1.02-2.41)



Multiparametric MRI in Prostate Cancer

	Sensitivity	Specificity
● MpMRI	91.3%	66.7%
● Ratio between lesions:	84.8%	66.6%
● Strain ration (SR):	78.3%	61.1%.
● Enhanced Ultrasound:	40.0%	97.2%

From 82 patients with persistently high prostate specific antigen (PSA) levels after medical therapy

Drudi et al: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31177155/>

MpMRI in Lung Cancer

- MRI is not commonly used in lung cancer
- MRI is particularly good for pediatric patients or pregnant women and others have contra-indication for X-ray exposure.
- MRI provides more contrast than CT for lung nodule detection
- MRI is good for vessel invasion and lung cancer staging
- MRI provides lung function image in perfusion
- MRI provides functional assessment of heart that CT can not.

MpMRI for Lung Cancer Diagnosis Staging

Indications covered by MRI
with advantages over CT

Indications covered by MRI
as effectively as with CT
(if situation warrants use of MRI)

Complicated thoracic mass (mediastinum and chest wall invasion) ^a	Optional
Differentiation of atelectasis and pulmonary mass ^a	Optional
Differentiation of mediastinal masses	
Evaluation of respiratory mechanics	
Diagnosis of pulmonary perfusion deficits (embolism)	
Cystic fibrosis (with perfusion study) ^a	
Pneumonia	
Atelectasis	
Cystic fibrosis (without perfusion study) ^a	
Tuberculosis	
Pulmonary nodules (> 3 mm)	
Sarcoidosis	
Acute and chronic pulmonary embolism ^a	Yes
Abnormalities of pulmonary venous drainage	Yes
Pulmonary arterial aneurysm	Yes
Lung sequestration	Yes
AV malformation (M. Osler)	Yes
Staging of lung cancer	Yes
Vasculitis (e.g. Wegener's)	Yes
Pleural effusion of unclear origin	Yes
Mesothelioma	Yes

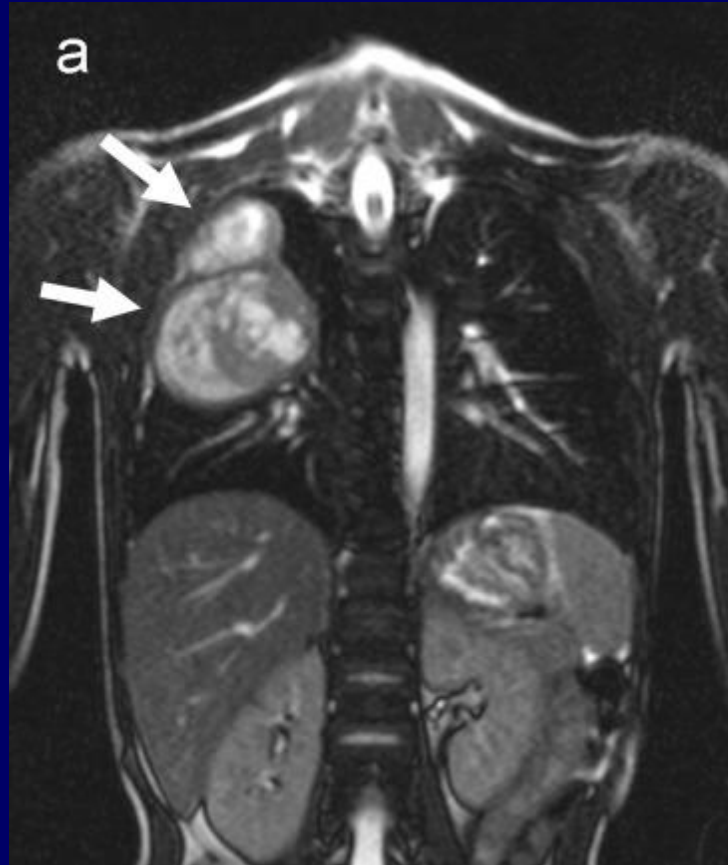
**mpMRI can definitely
provide functional
information and
better evaluation for
vessels/heart that CT
can not**

**Pediatric pregnant or
radiation
contraindicated
patients warrant to
have MRI**

Bieder et al, Radiology. 2003;227:475–83

MpMRI to Diagnosis Pediatric Tumors

6 year-old with
osteosarcoma

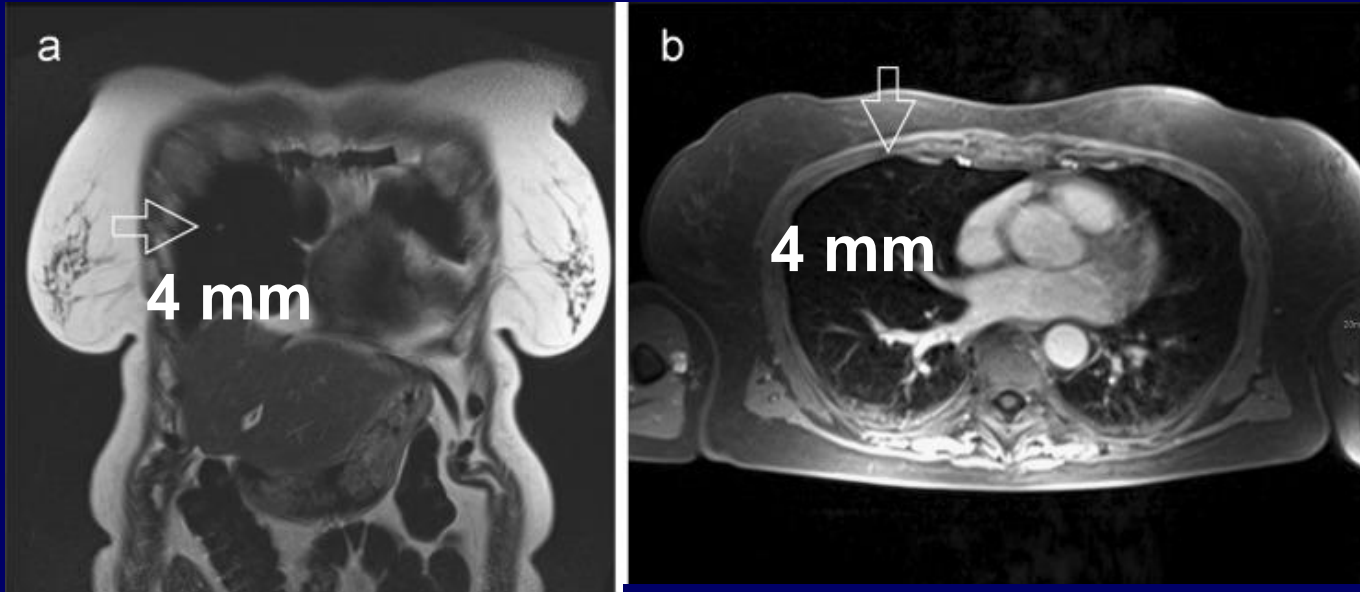


The steady state
free precession study



The respiration triggered
(navigator triggered) series

MpMRI Detects Small Lung Nodule



Multi-breath-hold T2W

CE, Fat-saturated 3D GRE

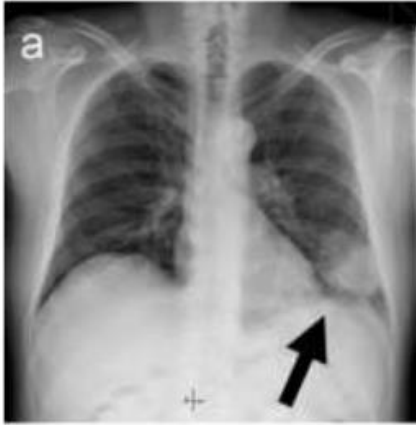
May be even faster and more efficient to read lung MRI for pulmonary nodules~bright signal against the dark background of the healthy lung tissue

Calcified nodules tend to disappear in the lung background of T1W, as they have no inherent signal

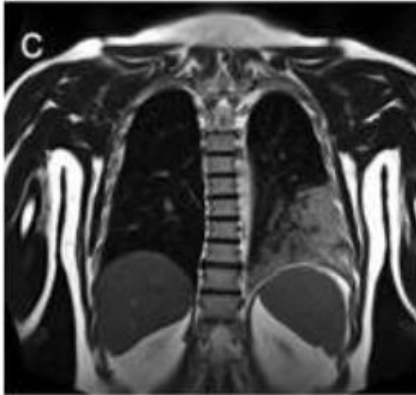
The sensitivity of MRI for lung nodules larger than 4 mm ranges between 80 and 90% and reaches 100% for lesions larger than 8 mm.

MpMRI for Non-Cancer Differentiations

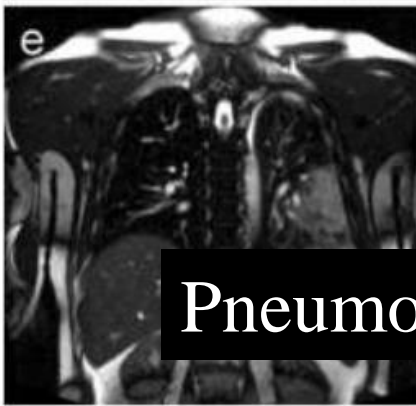
Planar x ray



T1 3D GRE



Fat-Sat T2 FSE



Pneumonia

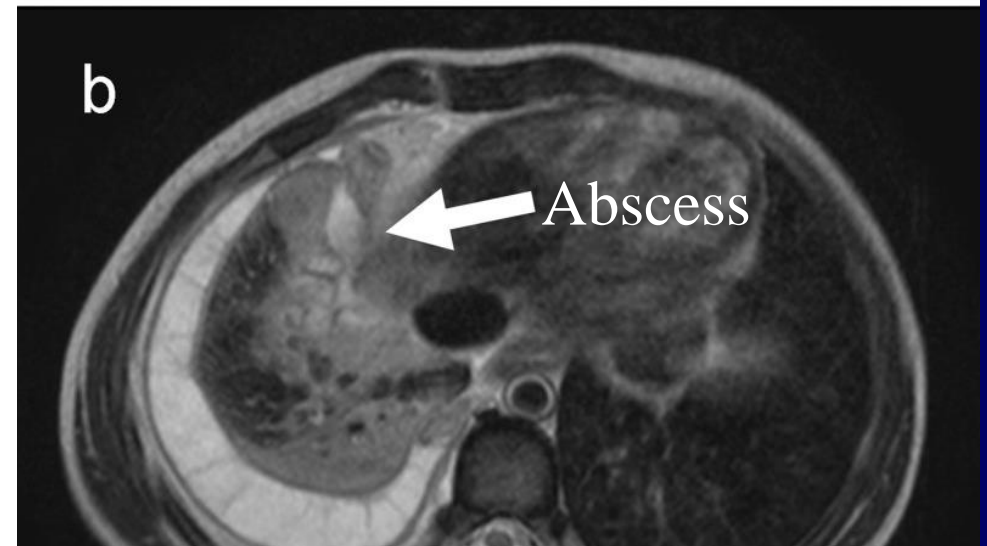
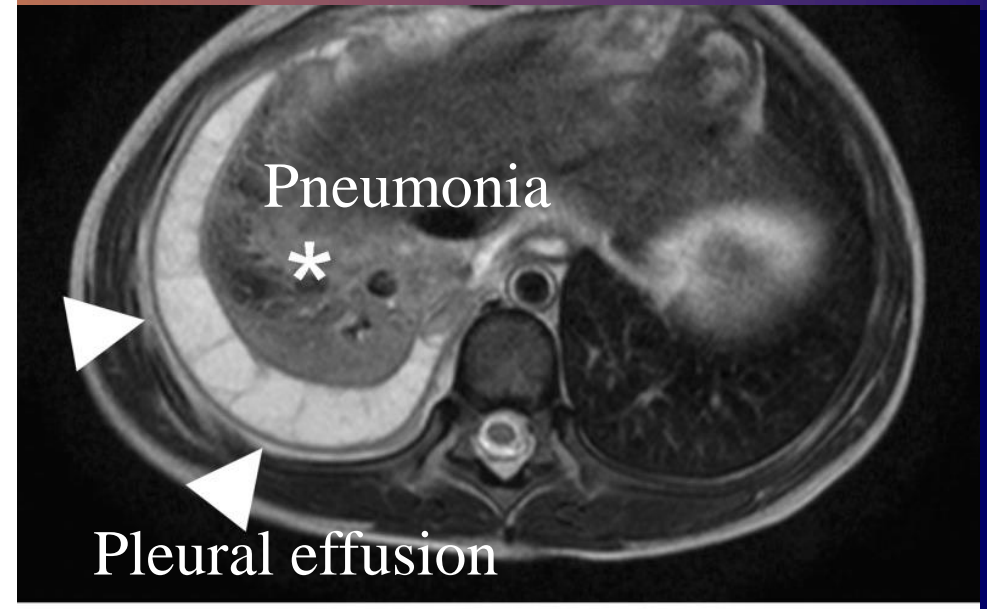
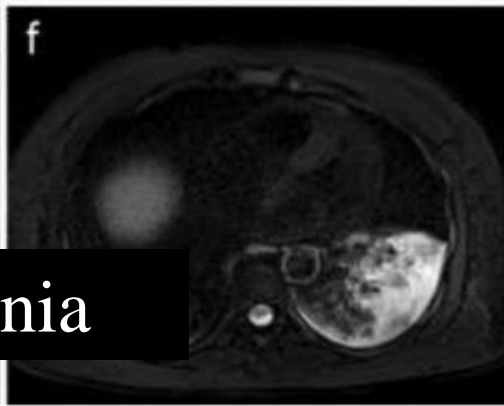
No Contrast CT



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T2



Clinical Trials in mpMRI for Cancer Diagnosis and Staging

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- ☒ Not yet recruiting
- ☒ Recruiting
- ☒ Enrolling by invitation
- ☒ Active, not recruiting
- ☐ Suspended
- ☐ Terminated
- ☒ Completed
- ☐ Withdrawn
- ☒ Unknown status[†]

Expanded Access ⓘ :

Eligibility Criteria

Age ⓘ :

years OR

Age Group ⓘ :

- ☐ Child (birth–17)
- ☐ Adult (18–64)
- ☐ Older Adult (65+)

Sex ⓘ :

- ☒ All
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male

☐ Accepts Healthy Volunteers ⓘ

1 ☒ **Recruiting** [Multiparametric MRI in Evaluating Cancer Stage and Helping Treatment Planning in Patients With Prostate Cancer](#)

- Prostate Carcinoma
- **Diagnostic Test:** Multiparametric Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- Mayo Clinic Hospital Phoenix, Arizona, United States
- Mayo Clinic in Arizona Scottsdale, Arizona, United States
- Yale University New Haven, Connecticut, United States (and 25 more...)
- Department of Urology, Herlev University Hospital Herlev Herlev, Denmark
- Centre for Medical Imaging London, United Kingdom
- Mayo Clinic in Arizona Scottsdale, Arizona, United States

5 studies listed in Cinicaltrials.org through searching by “MultiParametric MRI” and “Cancer Diagnosis and Staging”

100 studies for “MRI” and “Cancer Diagnosis and Staging”, mostly from Europe, followed by US, 4/100 from China;

3 studies for PET-MRI

5 ☒ **Recruiting** [Comprehensive Multiparametric Magnetic Resonance Imaging After Transurethral Resection of Non Muscle-invasive Bladder Tumor; Can it Replace Second Look Biopsy? A Prospective Study](#)

- Bladder Cancer
- **Device:** mpMRI
- **Procedure:** Second look TURBT
- Urology and Nephrology Center Mansourah, DK, Egypt

Multiparametric MRI for Precision Oncology and Radiation Oncology: A Physician's View

● Multiparametric MRI in precision oncology overview

- Screening, diagnosis, staging, treatment response and recurrent assessment

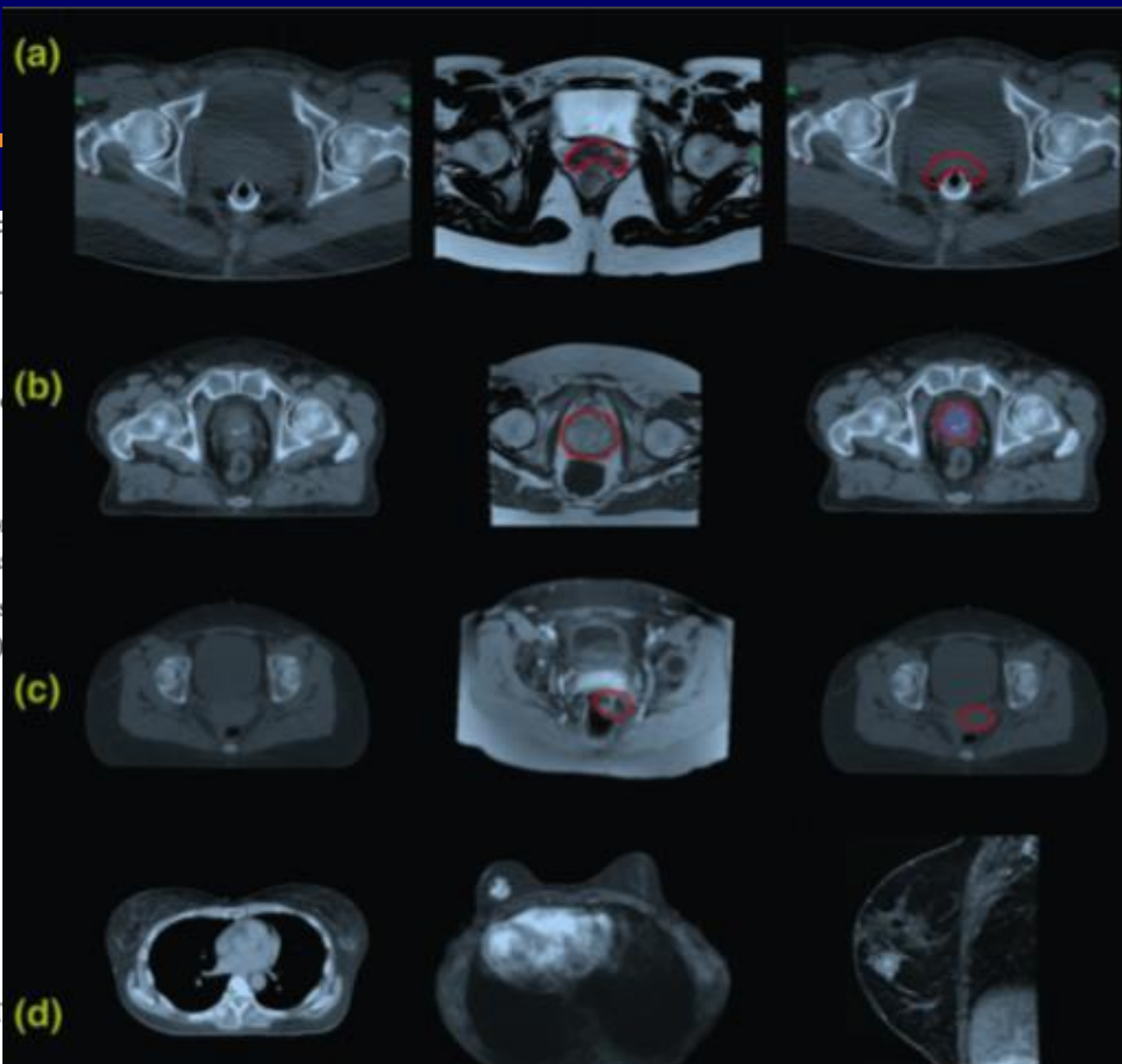
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MpMRI for Simulation/ target delineation/RT plan

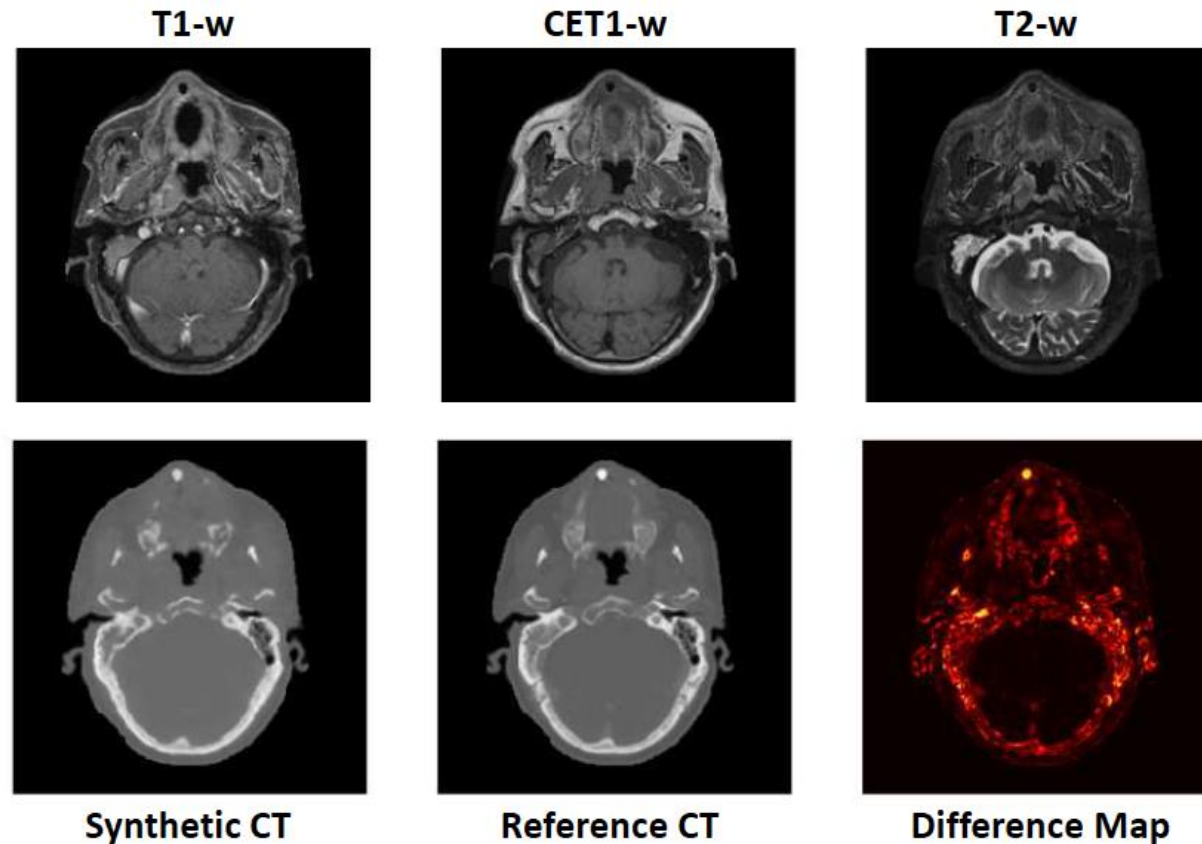
MRI Simulation for RT

Anatomical site	Acquisition sequence
Brain	T1 3D gradient echo Post Gd-T1 standard spin-echo Proton density fluid-attenuated inversion recovery T2 FLAIR
Head and Neck	Post Gd-T1 Standard Spin-Echo T2-weighted sequence with fat saturation T1 3D gradient echo (pre- and postcontrast)
Breast	T1 inversion recovery (STIR) sequences T2-weighted 3D fast spin echo (XETA) T1-weighted turbo spin echo T1 3D gradient echo
GYN	Turbo spin echo T2 (TSE T2) T2-weighted fast spin echo (FSE) T1 3D gradient echo
Prostate	T2-weighted fast spin echo (FSE) T1 3D gradient echo
Rectum	T2-weighted fast spin echo (FSE) T1 and T2 short tau inversion recovery (STIR) T1 3D gradient echo



Good Quality of Synthetic CT Make RT Possible

Multi-parametric MRI for Synthetic CT



Slide Courtesy of Jing Cai

MRI Target Delineation

MRI Target Delineation in comparison to CT

- Nice soft tissue contrasts
- Rich presentation in detailed tissue structure
- Contains metabolic and functional information
- Routinely used in RT target delineation for CNS, head/neck NPC, liver, pancreatic, cervical, prostate ...and rectal cancers.

MRI and Tumor Target

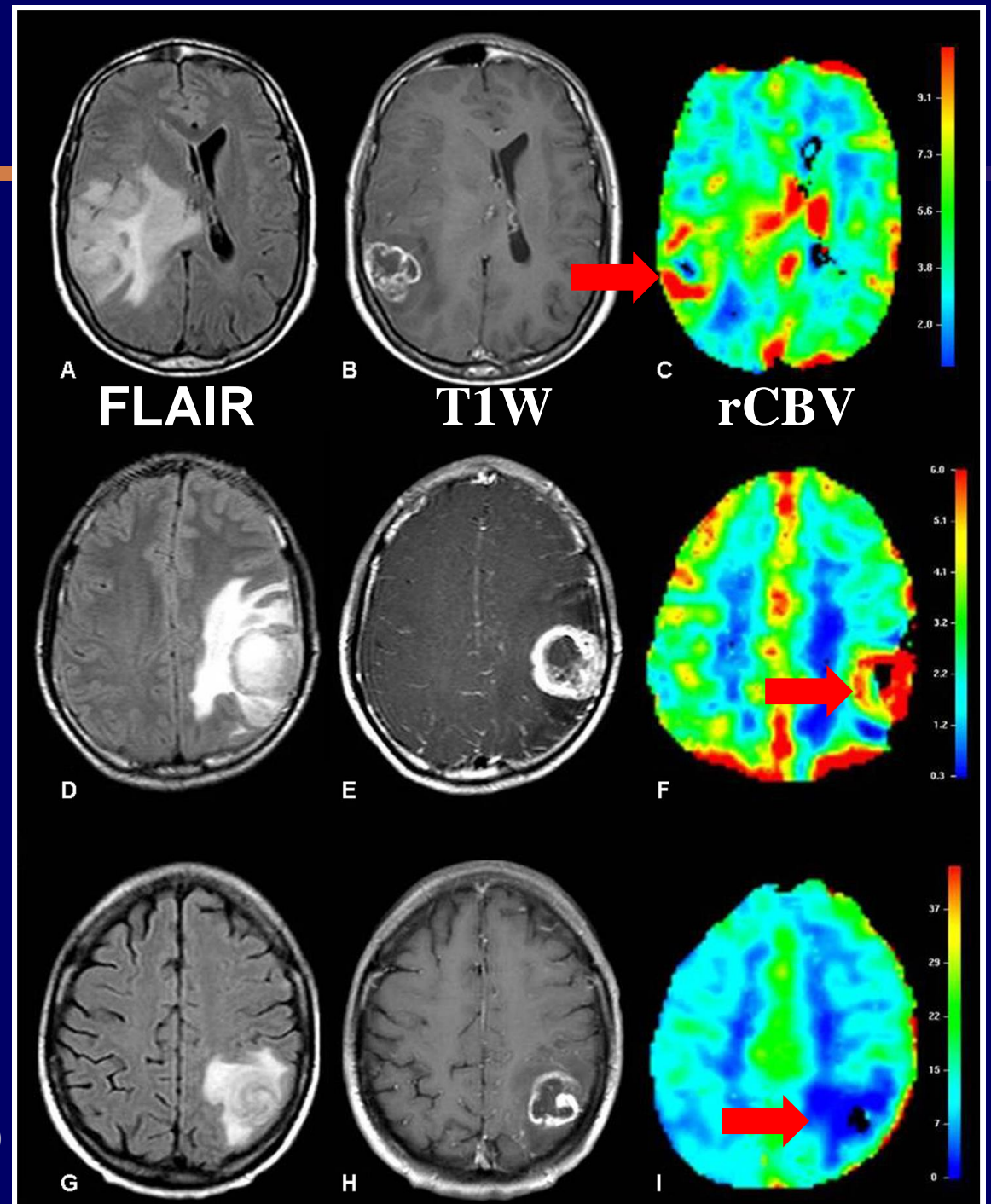
Glioblastoma
multiforme in a
49-year-old man



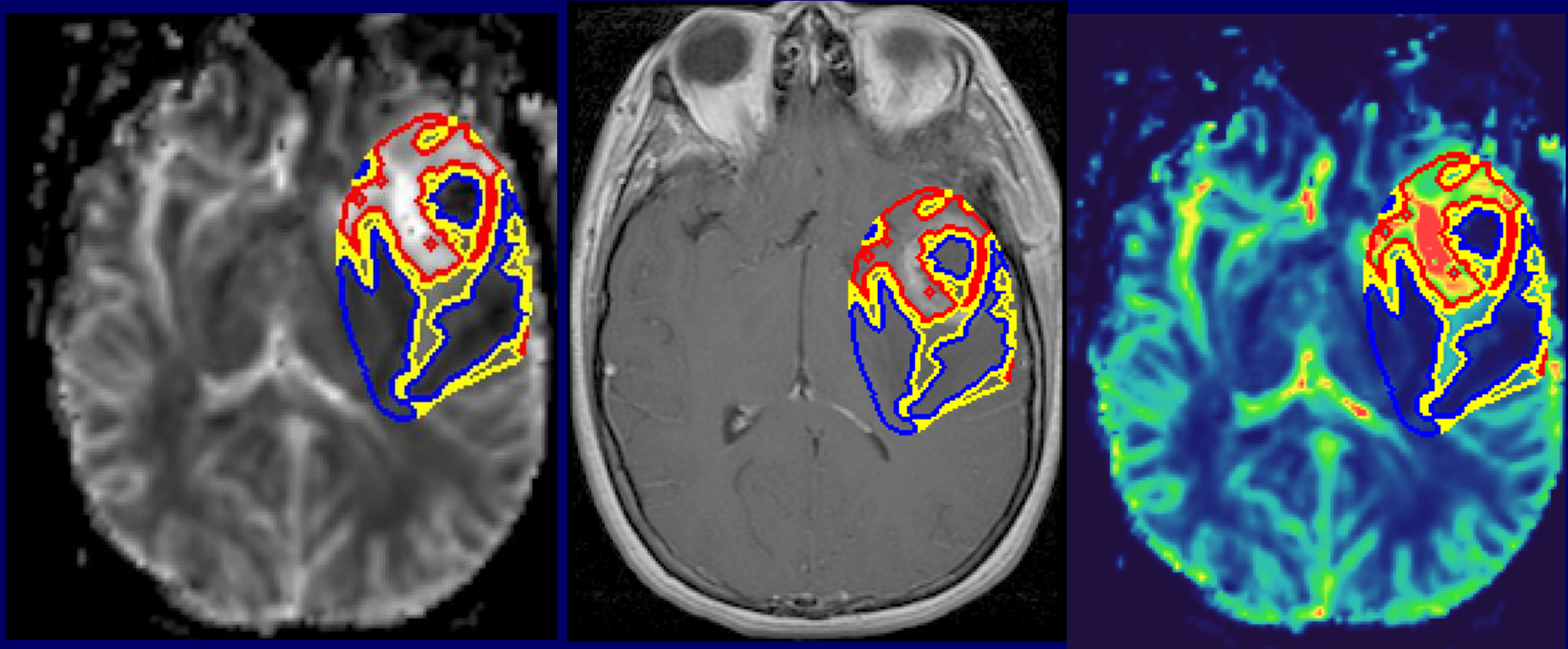
Metastatic
melanoma in an
18-year-old man



Cerebral
toxoplasmosis in a
54-year-old woman
(Infection)



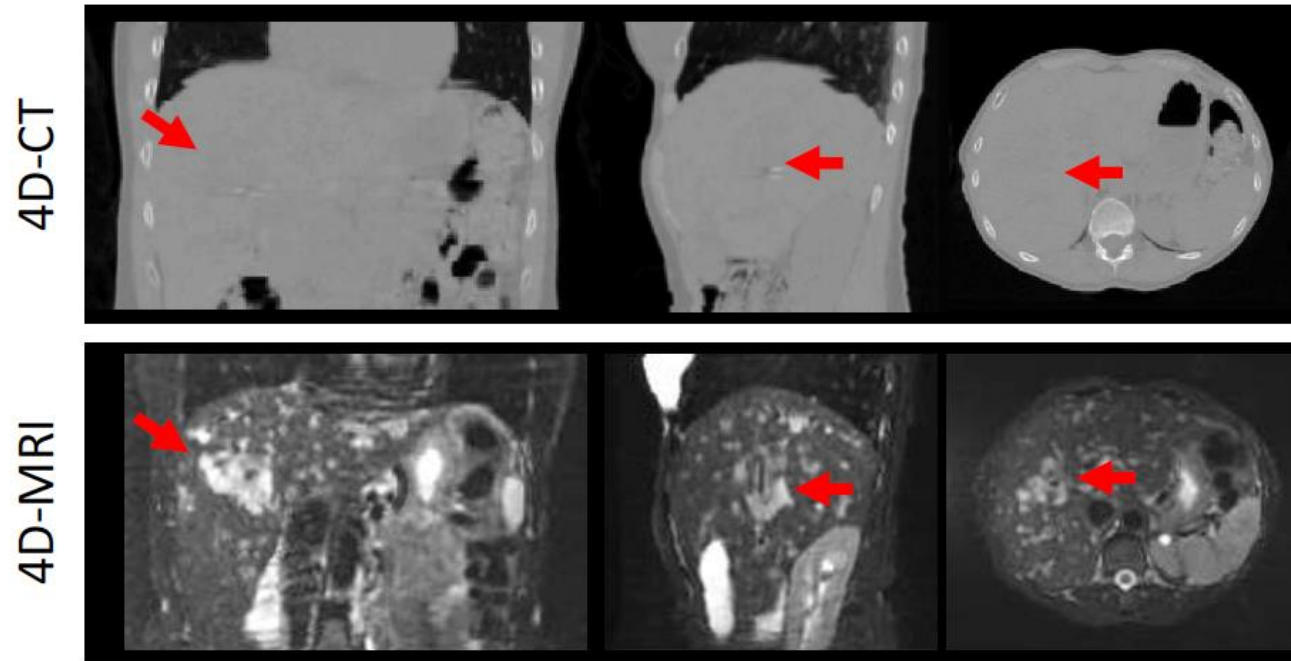
rCBV Map for Target Volume in GBM



Picture from C Tsien

4D-MRI May Be Superior than 4D-CT in Liver

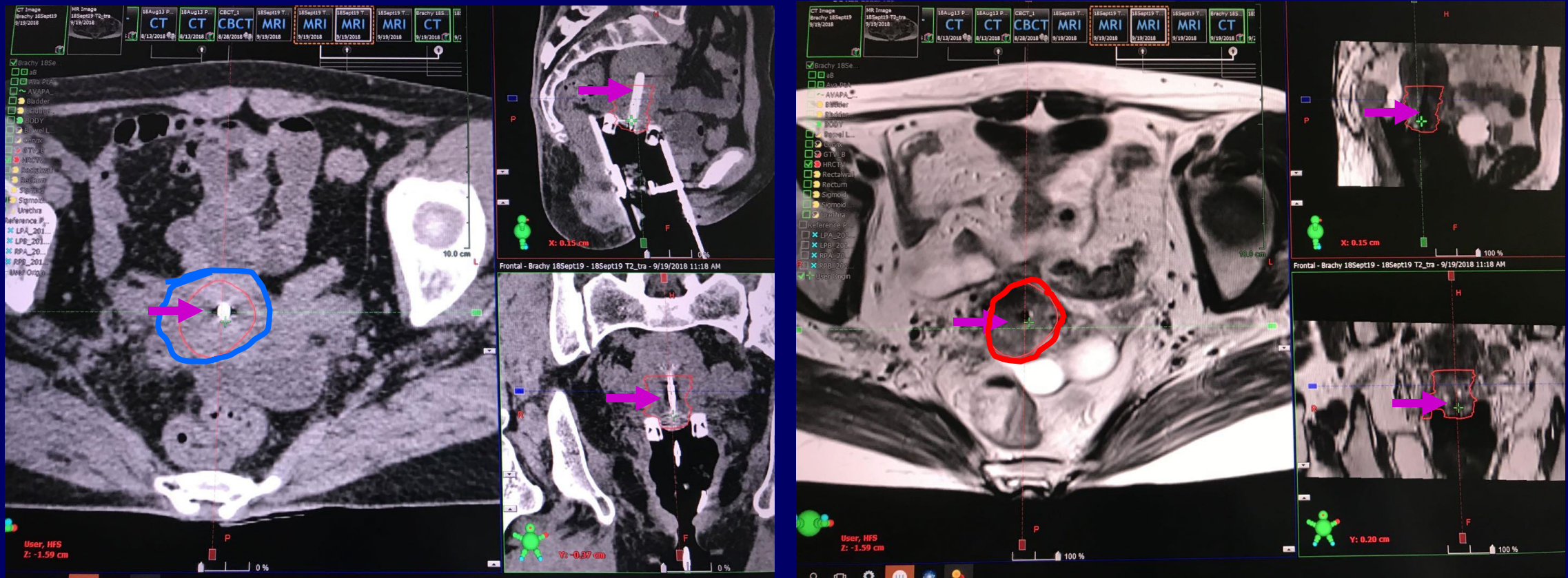
4D-MRI of Liver Cancer



Compared to 4D-CT, 4D-MRI improves tumor contrast and tumor motion measurement for abdominal cancers.

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MRI Target Delineation for BrachyTherapy in Cervical Cancer



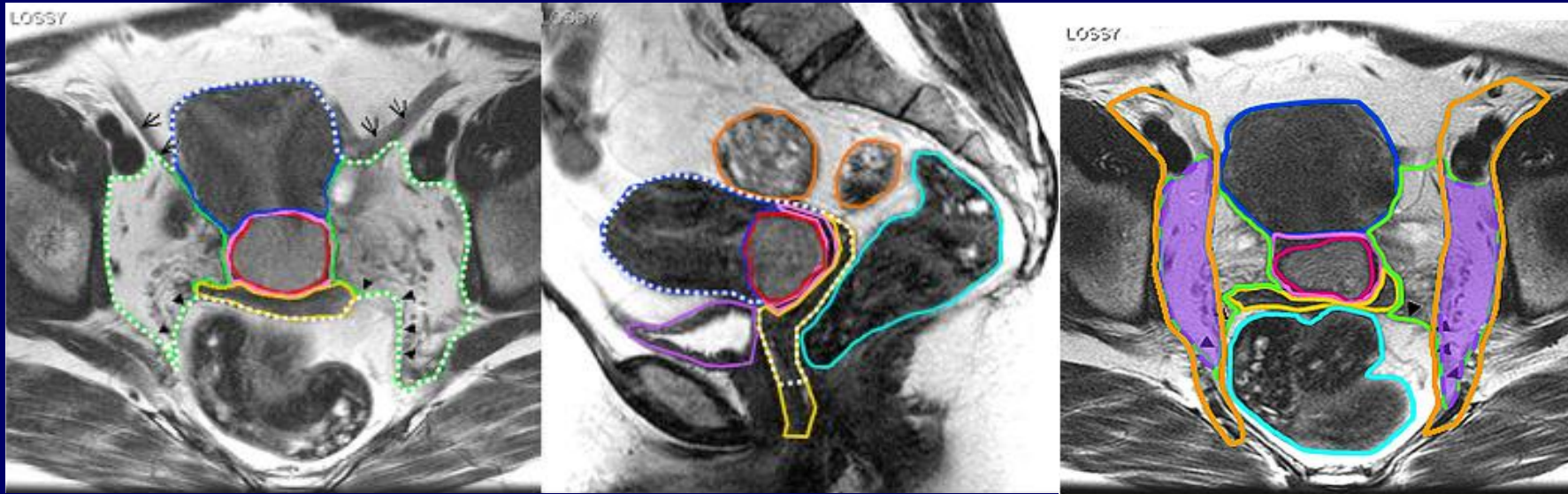
CT: Target, **red** or **blue**?

MRI: Target, clearly **red**!

Picture provided by Zhiyuan Xu from HKU SZH

MRI Target Delineation in Gyn Tumors

MRI/IGRT Consensus Guidelines



Tumor GTV, parametria

Lim K et al. IJROBP 2010; 79:348-355

<http://www.rtog.org/CoreLab/ContouringAtlases/GYN.aspx>

Use of MRI Simulator Consensus Opinion

- To determine the levels at which consensus ...regarding general and site-specific principles of MRI simulation for offline MRI-aided EBRT.
- A process inspired by the Delphi method to determine levels of consensus using a series of questionnaires interspersed with controlled opinion feedback.
- Full consensus was reached regarding general principles of MRI simulation.
- However, the level of consensus decreased when site-specific principles of MRI simulation were considered.

TREATMENT PLANNING | VOLUME 121, ISSUE 2, P187-192, NOVEMBER 01, 2016

[https://www.thegreenjournal.com/article/S0167-8140\(16\)34368-7/fulltext](https://www.thegreenjournal.com/article/S0167-8140(16)34368-7/fulltext)

Use of MRI Simulator

Clinical and Cost Effectiveness

- No tumor control outcome studies
- No cost effectiveness study
- Only one relevant clinical study MRI-CT simulation may reduce acute GU toxicity without reducing GI toxicity compared with CT simulation only.
- Recommend **more research**

CADTH SUMMARY WITH CRITICAL APPRAISAL
Magnetic Resonance Imaging **Simulators** for
Simulation and Treatment for Patients Requiring
Radiation Therapy

By Chantelle Lachance and Suzanne McCormack

Cite As: Magnetic resonance imaging simulators for **simulation** and treatment for patients requiring radiation therapy: A review of the clinical effectiveness, cost-effectiveness, and guidelines. Ottawa: CADTH; 2019 Jan. (CADTH rapid response report: summary with critical appraisal).

Clinical Trials in mpMRI for Target Delineation

Study Description

Brief Summary:

The main goal of this project is to evaluate the use of a new PET-tracer (68Ga-NODAGA-E[¹⁸F]) for cervical cancer. It will be assessed how the use of this tracer improves target delineation (RT) for cervical cancer. The study is to evaluate a new PET-tracer (68Ga-NODAGA-E[¹⁸F]) for cervical cancer. It will be assessed how the use of this tracer improves target delineation (RT) for cervical cancer.

Condition

Cervical Cancer

Detailed Description:

The standard treatment for patient with cervical cancer is chemotherapy. During the last decade, where response-adaptive radiotherapy, significant improvements in clinical control.

Search

Advanced Search

1 study listed in Cinicaltrials.org through searching by “MultiParametric MRI” and “target delineation”

26 studies for “MRI” and “Target delineation”, mostly from Europe, followed by US, 0/26 from China; 0 studies for PET-MRI

lanning (RT) for cervical cancer. The study is to evaluate a new PET-tracer (68Ga-NODAGA-E[¹⁸F]) for cervical cancer. It will be assessed how the use of this tracer improves target delineation (RT) for cervical cancer.

with concurrent cisplatin-based chemotherapy is among the first cancer sites to be evaluated for dose administration, and consequently local control.

No Studies found for: **Target delineation** | **Recruiting, Not yet recruiting, Active, not recruiting, Completed, Enrolling by invitation, Unknown status Studies** | **PET-MRI**

Applied Filters: ☒ Recruiting ☒ Not yet recruiting ☒ Active not recruiting ☒ Completed ☒ Enrolling by invitation ☒ Unknown status

Try these [search suggestions](#):

- [Recruiting, Not yet recruiting, Active, not recruiting, Completed, Enrolling by invitation, Unknown status Studies | PET-MRI](#) (42 studies)

Clinical Trials in mpMRI for RT Plan

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2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Johns Hopkins University Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center, Baltimore, Maryland, United States
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not yet recruiting NEW	Bladder Fiducial Markers and Multiparametric-MRI (Mp-MRI) to Optimize Bladder Chemo-radiotherapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bladder Cancer Urinary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Procedure: Fiducial marker placement Diagnostic Test: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cedars-Sinai Medical Center (CSMC) Los Angeles, California, United States
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of California San Francisco (UCSF) San Francisco, California, United States Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Boston, Massachusetts, United States
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Multi-parametric Magnetic Resonance Imaging for Prostate Cancer Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prostate Cancer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Device: Multiparametric MRI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Henry Ford Health System Detroit, Michigan, United States
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown [†]	Deformable Registration of Multi-parametric MRI to Intra-operative Transrectal Ultrasound for Prostate Brachytherapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prostate Cancer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Procedure: Brachytherapy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sheba Medical Center Tel Hashomer, Israel
6	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown [†]	Multi-Parametric Brain Cancer MRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brain Tumors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other: 3D MRI Scans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cross Cancer Institute Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
7	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Pilot Study Evaluating the Role of Histopathology Correlation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prostate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Device: UroNav 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case Comprehensive Cancer

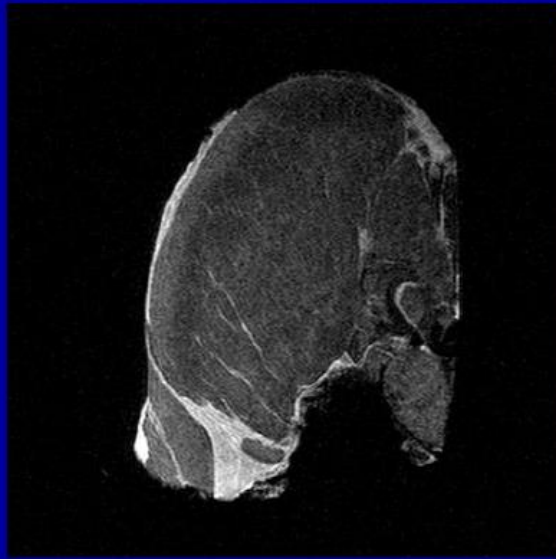
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149 studies for “MRI” and “RT plan”, mostly from Europe, followed by US, 1 study for PET-MRI in recurrent GBM

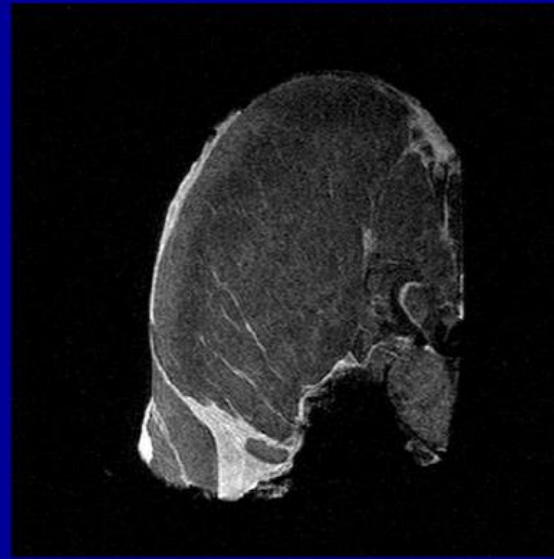
MpMRI for precision RT treatment delivery

Advantages of MRI Linac is MRIGRT-1

No Radiation vs. MRI Interference
Even when Beam-On



Beam On



Beam OFF

- **No Radiation**
- **Better Quality**
- **Real time beam-on monitoring**

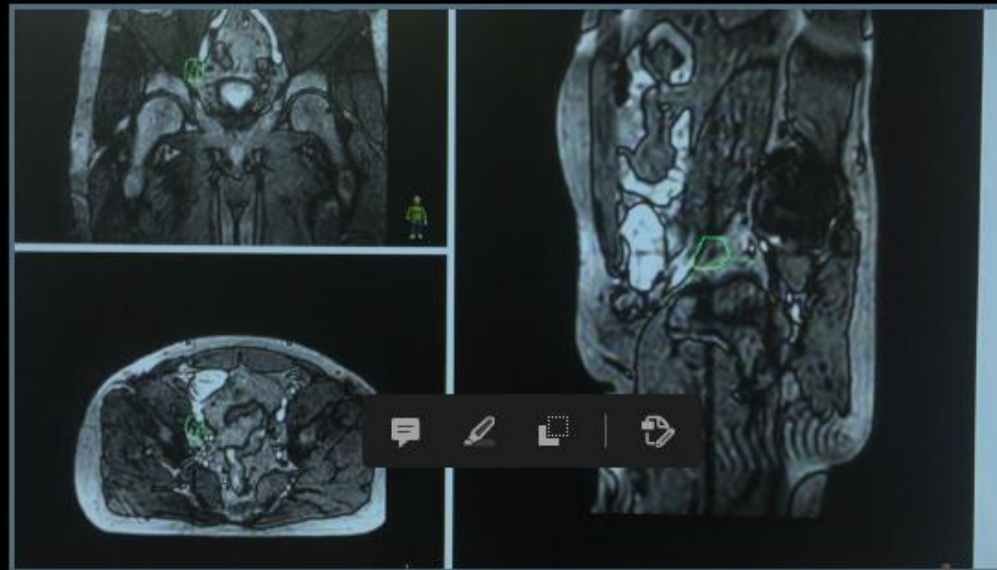
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Advantages of MRI Linac and MRgRT-2

Monitoring Patient Motion During “Beam-on”

Example of **real time motion** **monitoring of multiple OARs**

High frame-
rate, multi-
planar
acquisition for
motion
monitoring



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MRIgRT Linacs for Treatment Delivery

Does it make a difference for our patients? Evidence?

The CADTH report

● MRIgRT Treatment Delivery: A Review of Clinical Effectiveness, Cost-Effectiveness and Guidelines

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. What is the clinical effectiveness? | 1. One study of 8 matched pairs, lung SBRT, MR Linac versus Conventional Linac, no early damage |
| 2. What is the cost-effectiveness? | 2. No evidence |
| 3. What are the evidence-based guidelines? | 3. No relevant evidence-based guidelines |

CLachance and McCormack

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK546999/>

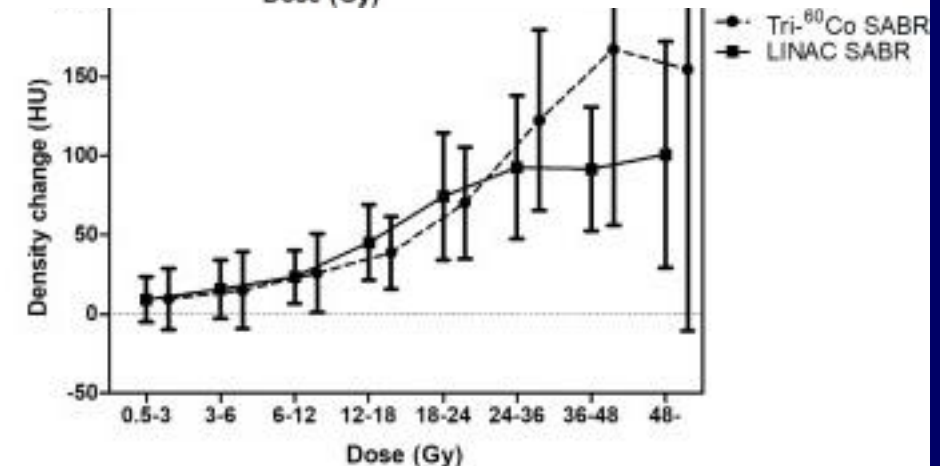
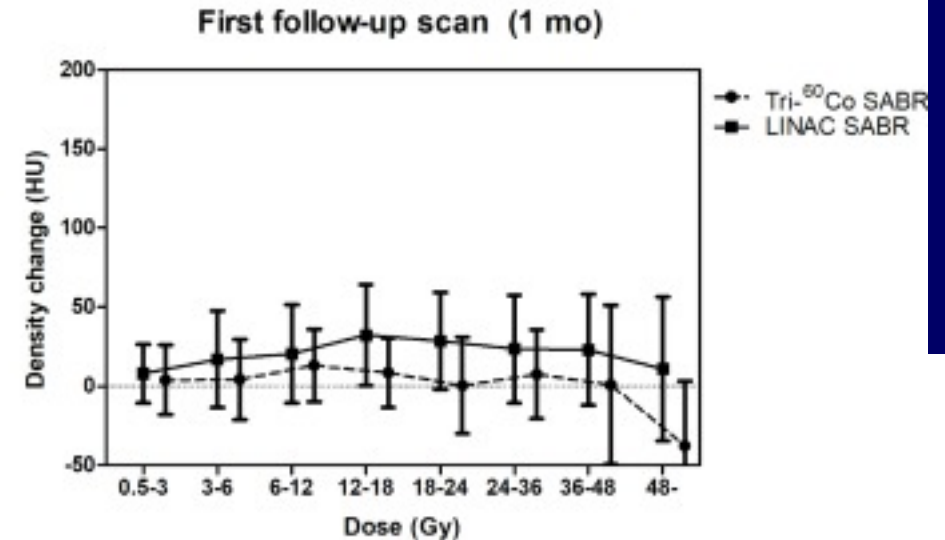
MRI Linacs for Radiation Therapy Delivery

Study Design	Population Characteristics	Intervention and Comparator(s)	Clinical Outcomes, Length of Follow-Up
Non-randomized, retrospective, matched-comparison cohort study	<p>n = 16 patients who received lung SABR for lung cancer</p> <p>Intervention: 8 patients, mean age 73 (SD ± 7) years; 4 men, 4 women</p> <p>Control: 8 patients, mean age 71 (SD ± 7) years; 6 men, 2 women</p>	<p>Intervention: tri-⁶⁰Co magnetic-resonance image guided system, MRIdian™ (tri-⁶⁰Co SABR; manufacturer: ViewRay Inc., Cleveland, United States)</p> <p>Comparator: linear accelerator (LINAC SABR; manufacturer: Varian Medical Systems, United States)</p>	<p>Changes in radiological lung density</p> <p>2 follow-up periods:</p> <p>1) after first follow-up CT scan (median interval from end date of radiotherapy to CT scan for all patients = 5.5 weeks, range 4–7 weeks)</p> <p>2) after first follow-up CT scan (median interval from end date of radiotherapy to CT scan for all patients = 16–31 weeks)</p>

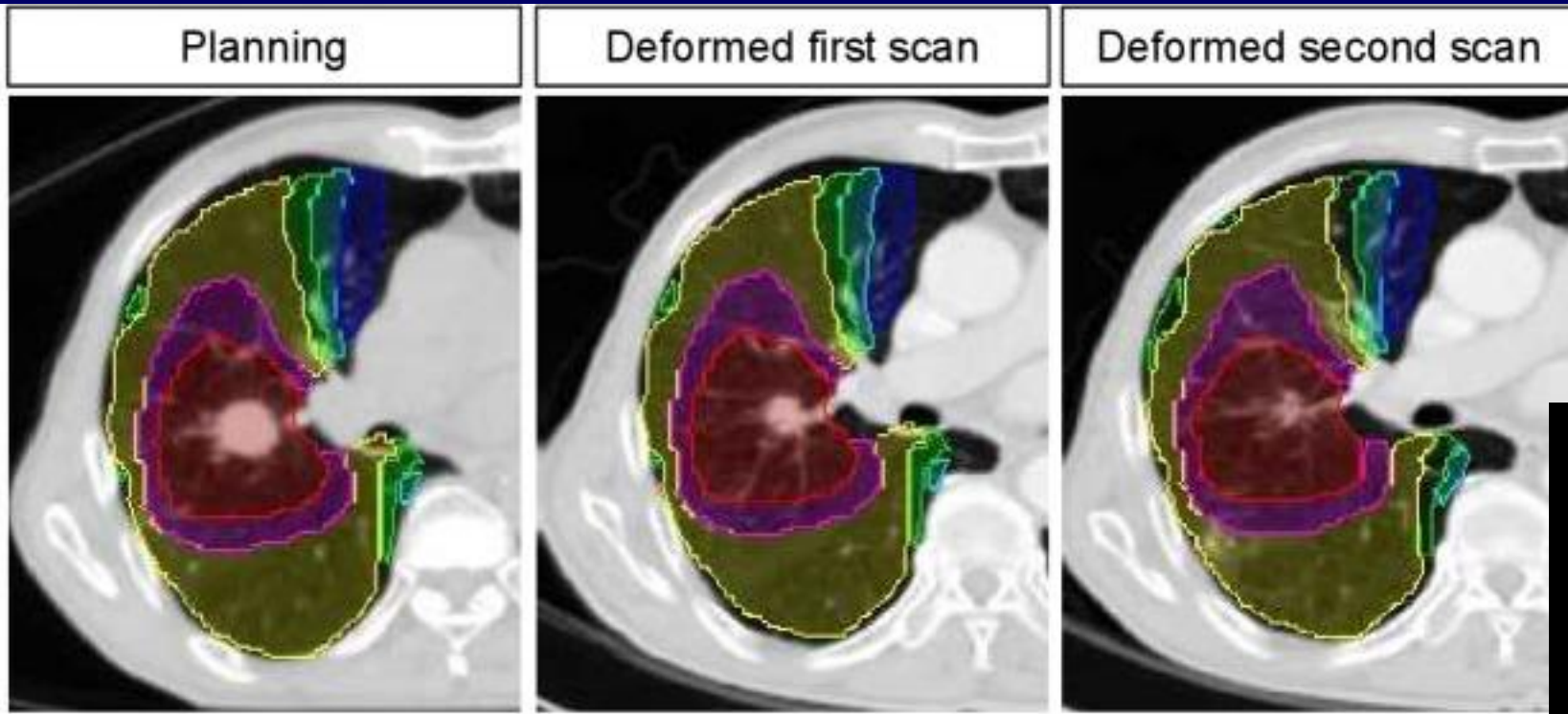
MRI Linacs were not better

ed tomography; LINAC = linear accelerator; SABR = stereotactic ablative radiotherapy; SD = standard deviation; tri-⁶⁰Co magnetic-resonance image guided system

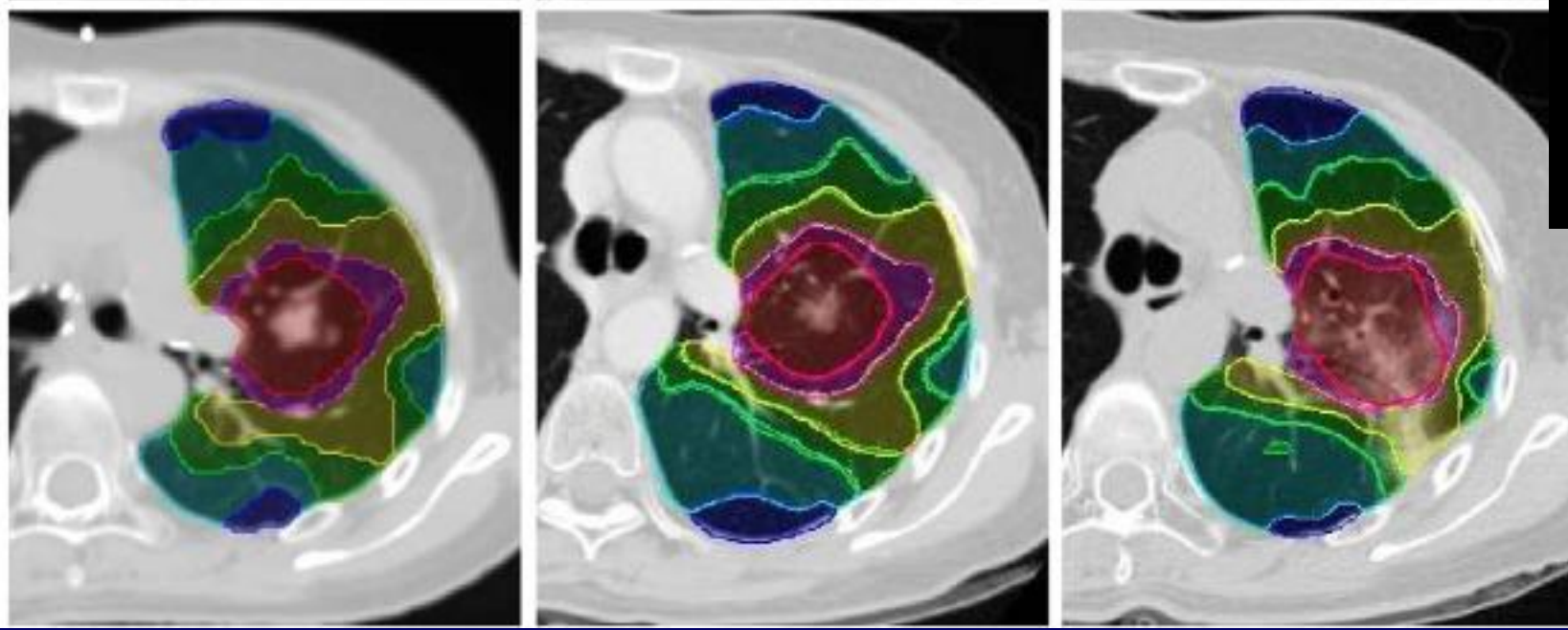
A



Tri-⁶⁰Co
SABR



LINAC
SABR



Comparing CT density changes in areas above 48 Gy, no significant differences were seen

Clinical Trials in mpMRI for Radiation Treatment Delivery

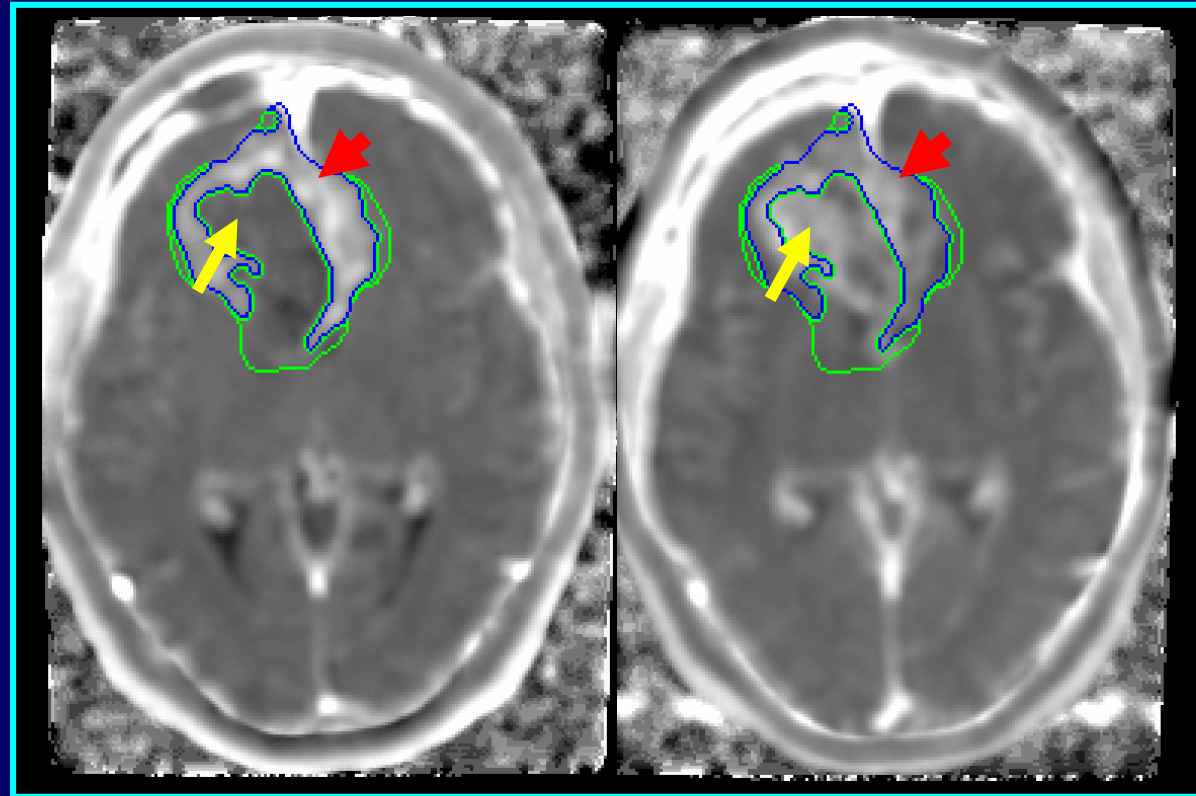
3 study listed in Cinicaltrials.org through searching by “MultiParametric MRI” and “radiation treatment delivery ”

69 studies for “MRI” and “radiation treatment delivery ”, mostly from Europe, followed by US, 1 study for PET-MRI

1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Stereotactic MRI-guided On-table Adaptive Radiation Therapy (SMART) for Locally Advanced Pancreatic Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pancreatic Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Radiation: Stereotactic MRI-guided On-table Adaptive Radiation Therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• UCLA Los Angeles, California, United States• University of Miami Miami, Florida, United States• Miami Cancer Institute Miami, Florida, United States• (and 4 more...)
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Pilot Study of Same-session MR-only Simulation and Treatment With Stereotactic MRI-guided Adaptive Radiation Therapy (SMART) for Oligometastases of the Spine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oligometastases of the Spine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Device: MRIdian Linac System from ViewRay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Washington University School of Medicine Saint Louis, Missouri, United States
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed	HCC Resection			
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Optimizing Radiation Therapy for Gynecologic Cancer With MRI Guidance for Gynecologic Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Radiation: Brachytherapy• Device: MRI Tracker	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brigham and Women's Hospital Boston, Massachusetts, United States
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Prostate Radiotherapy Integrated With Simultaneous MRI (The PRISM Study)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prostate Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Device: MR LINAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Royal Marsden - Sutton, Surrey, England

MpMRI for precision RT treatment response assessment

MRI Detects Early Changes During-RT: GBM



Pre RT

Week 3 during RT

Red: initially enhanced region; Yellow: initially non-enhanced tumor region

Blood-Brain/Tumor Barrier Opening During RT

Cao, Y. et al J Clin Oncol 23: 4127, 2005

rCBV MRI Demonstrates Tx Response

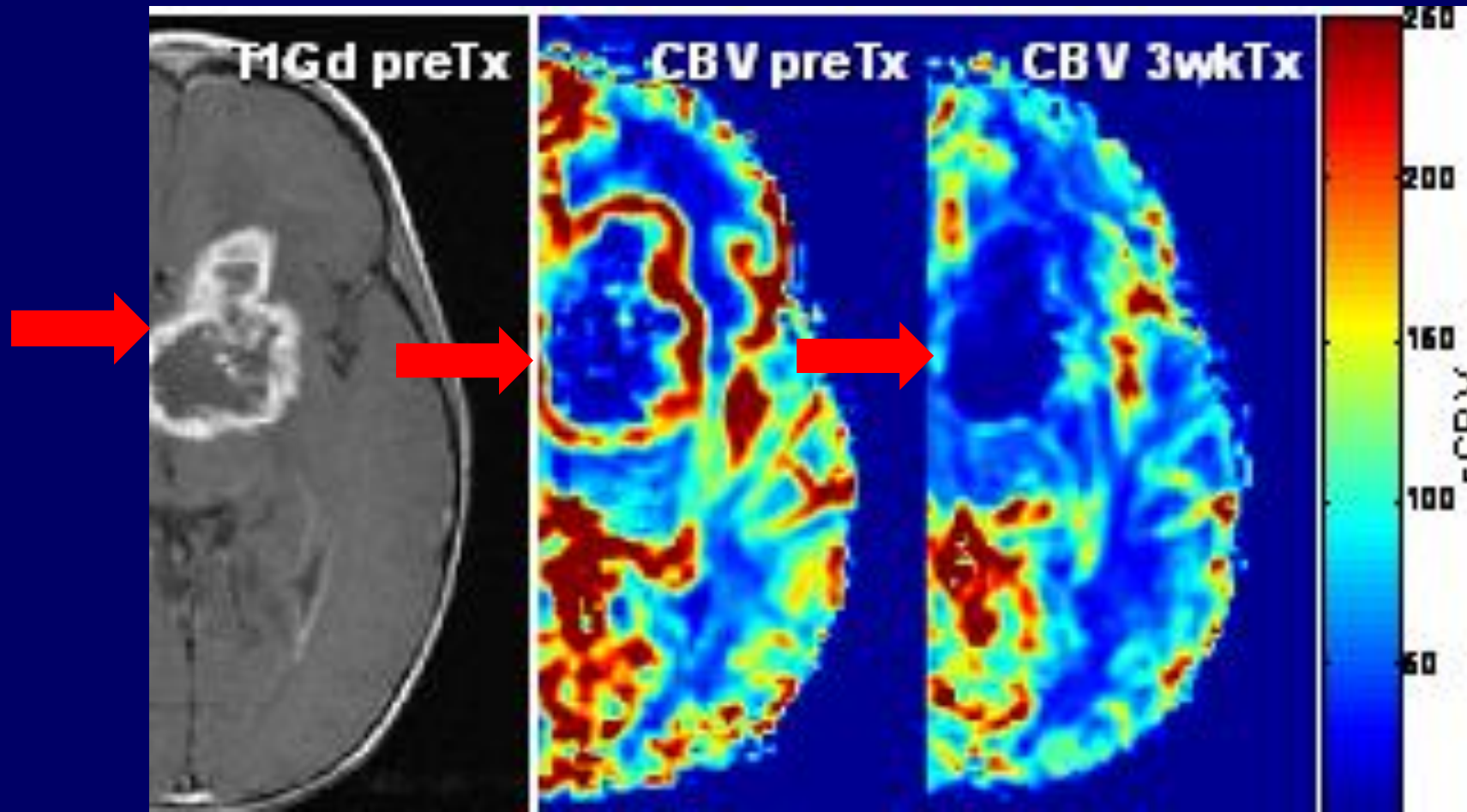
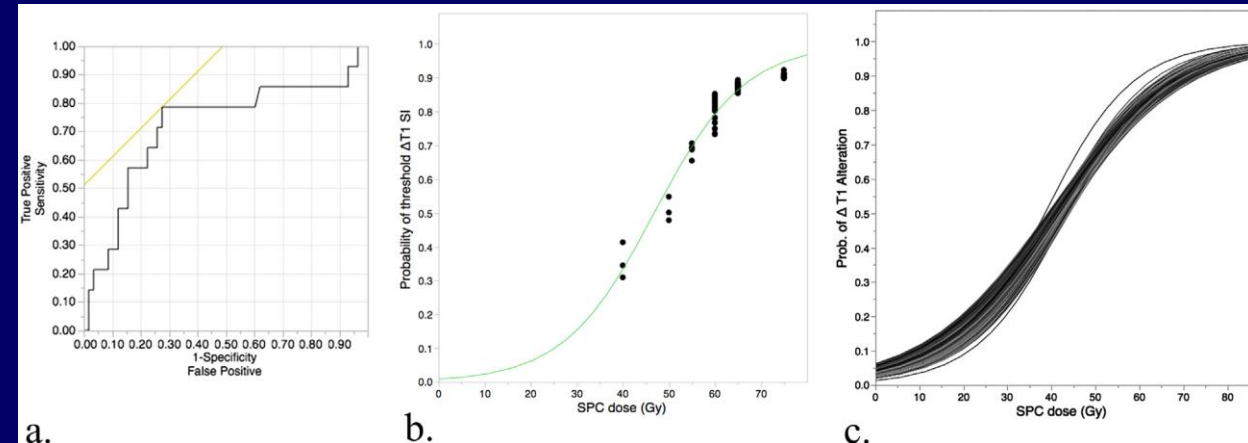
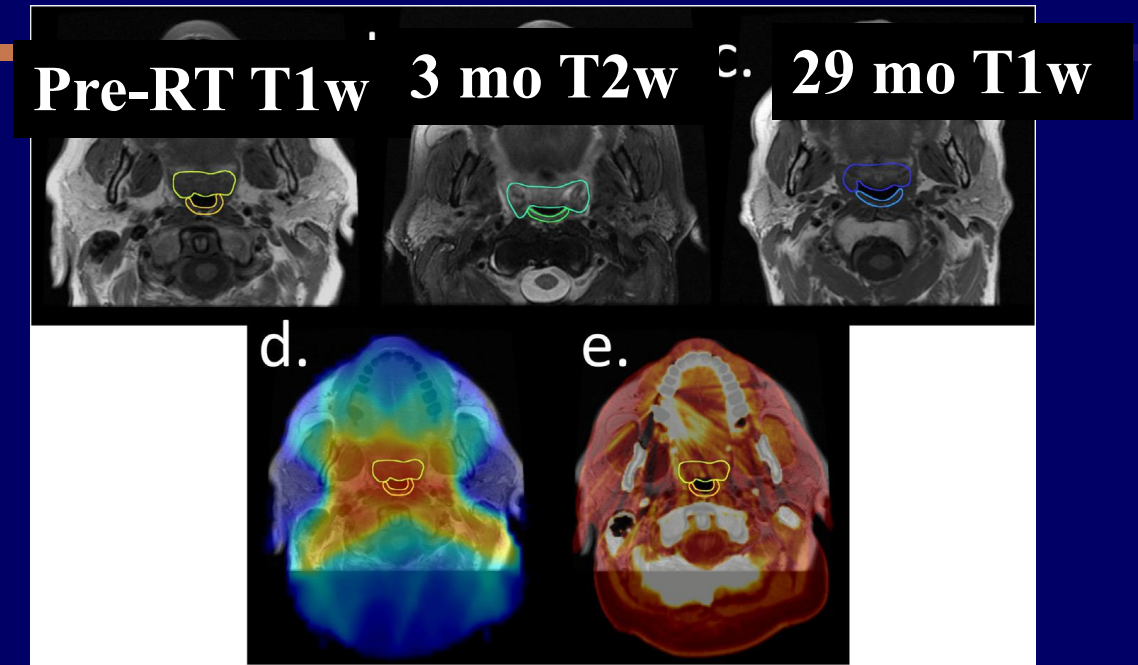
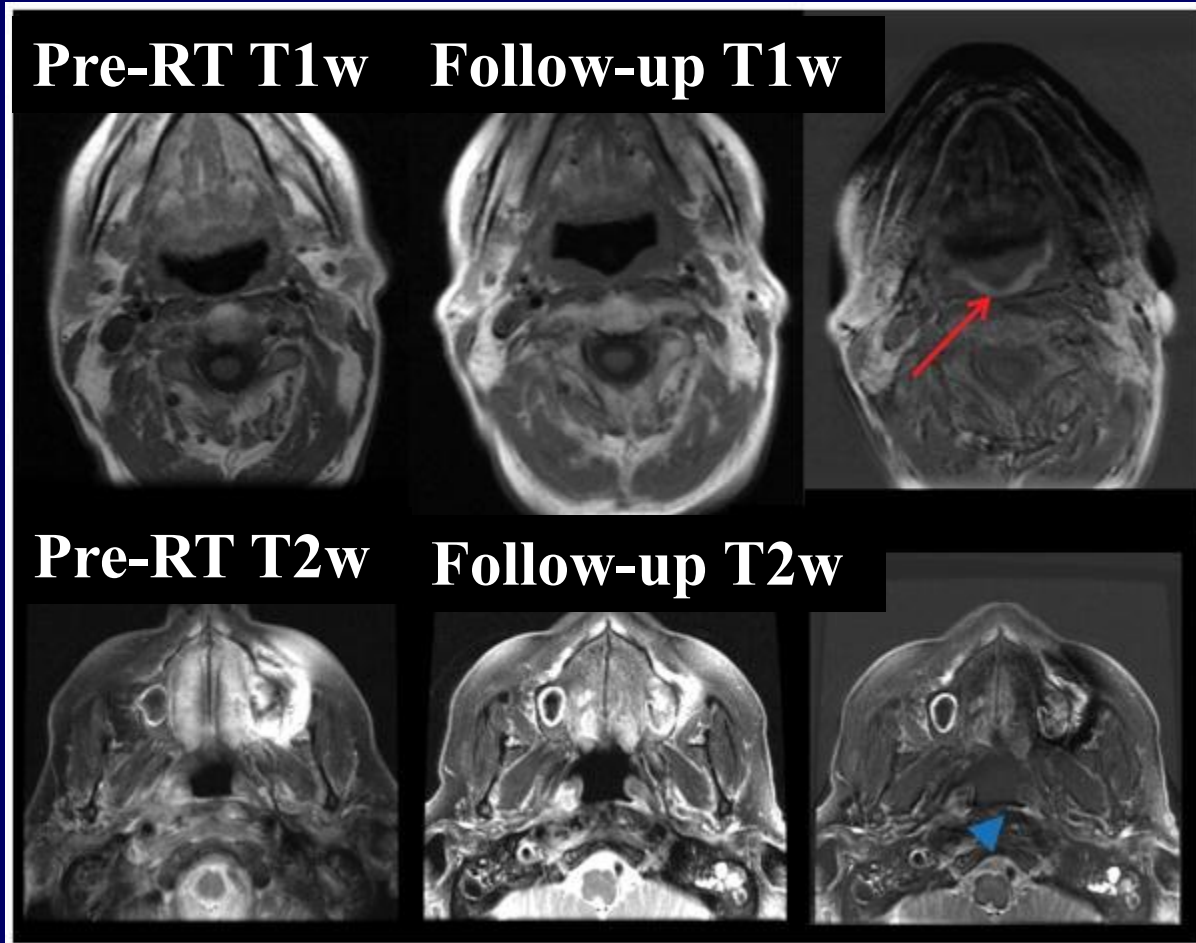


Figure provided by Chenevert T, Ph.D

Mp MRI to Assess Pharyngeal Constrictor Toxicity After Radiation



MpMRI Treatment Response for Breast Cancer

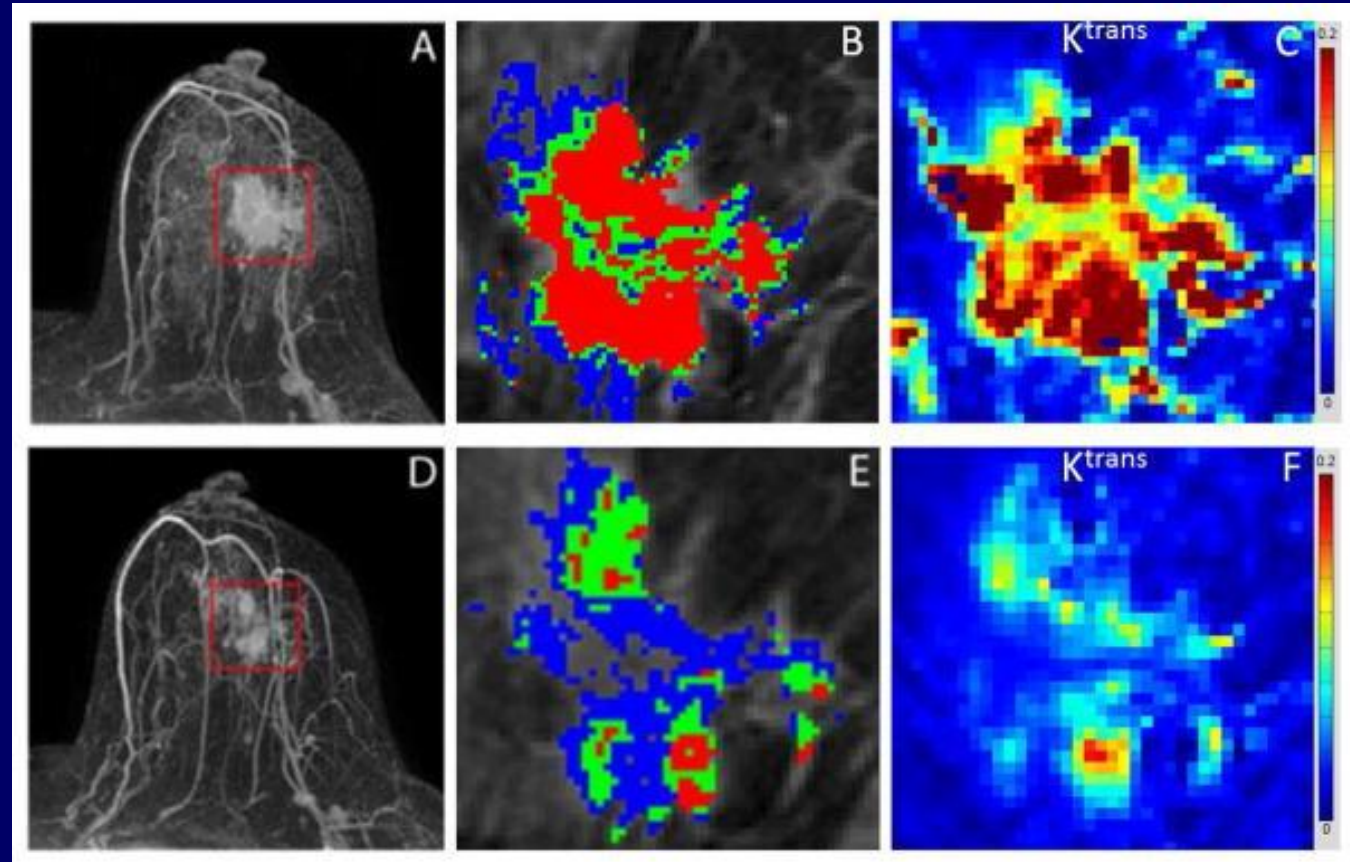
**51-year-old woman
invasive ductal carcinoma
(Grade 3,
ER+/PR+/HER2+), prior
to neoadjuvant therapy**

**14 days after starting
treatment with
paclitaxel and
trastuzumab**

DCE MRI

DCE MRI-MIP

K-Trans

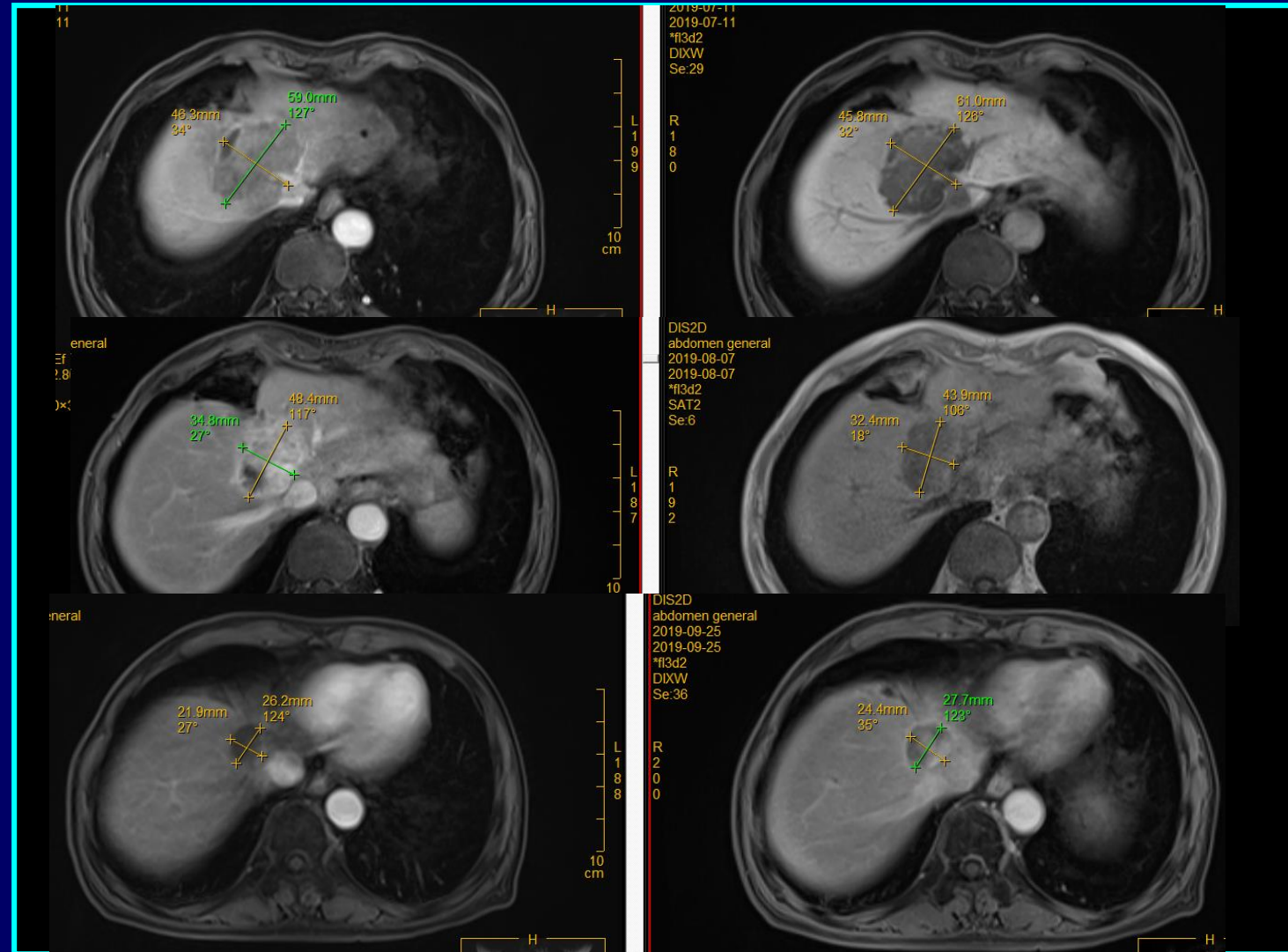


MRI Detects Early Changes During-SBRT: HCC

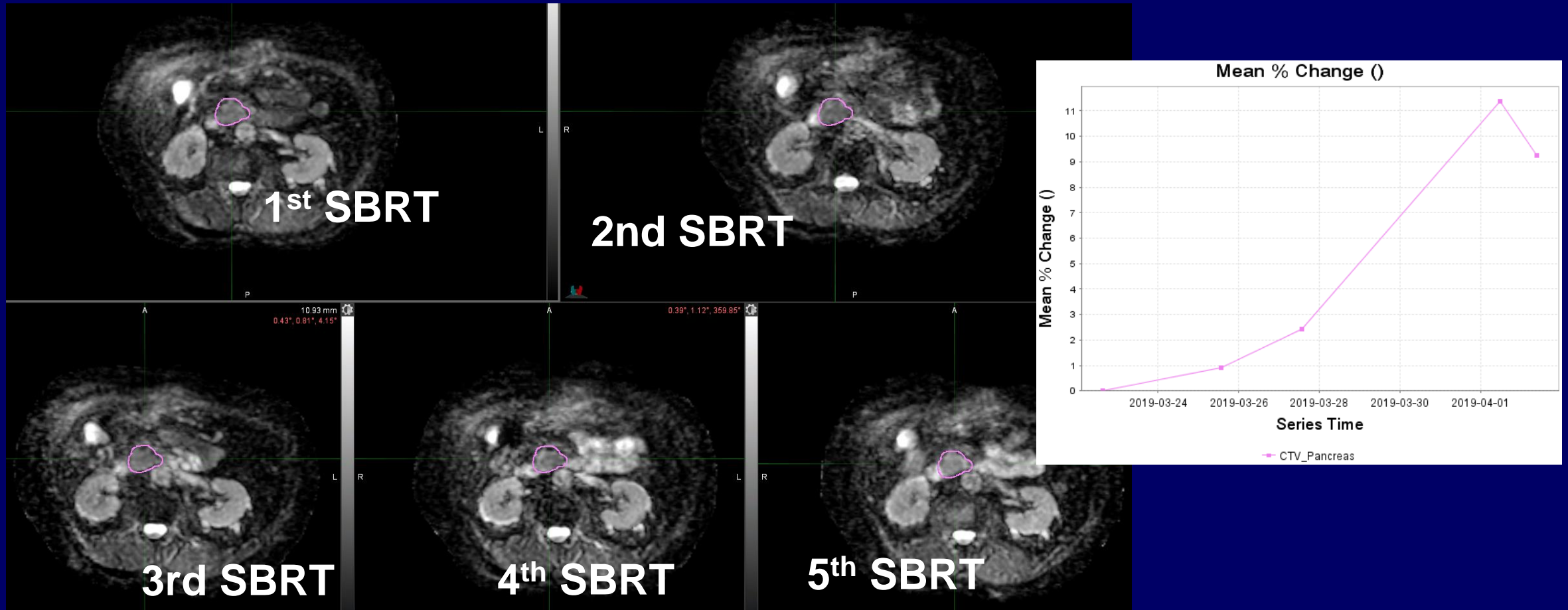
**Pre SBRT
Unresectable**

**During SBRT
s/p 2/5 Tx**

**One month
Post-SBRT**



Changes of ADC in Pancreatic Cancer during RT



Weekly DWI During Lung Treatment

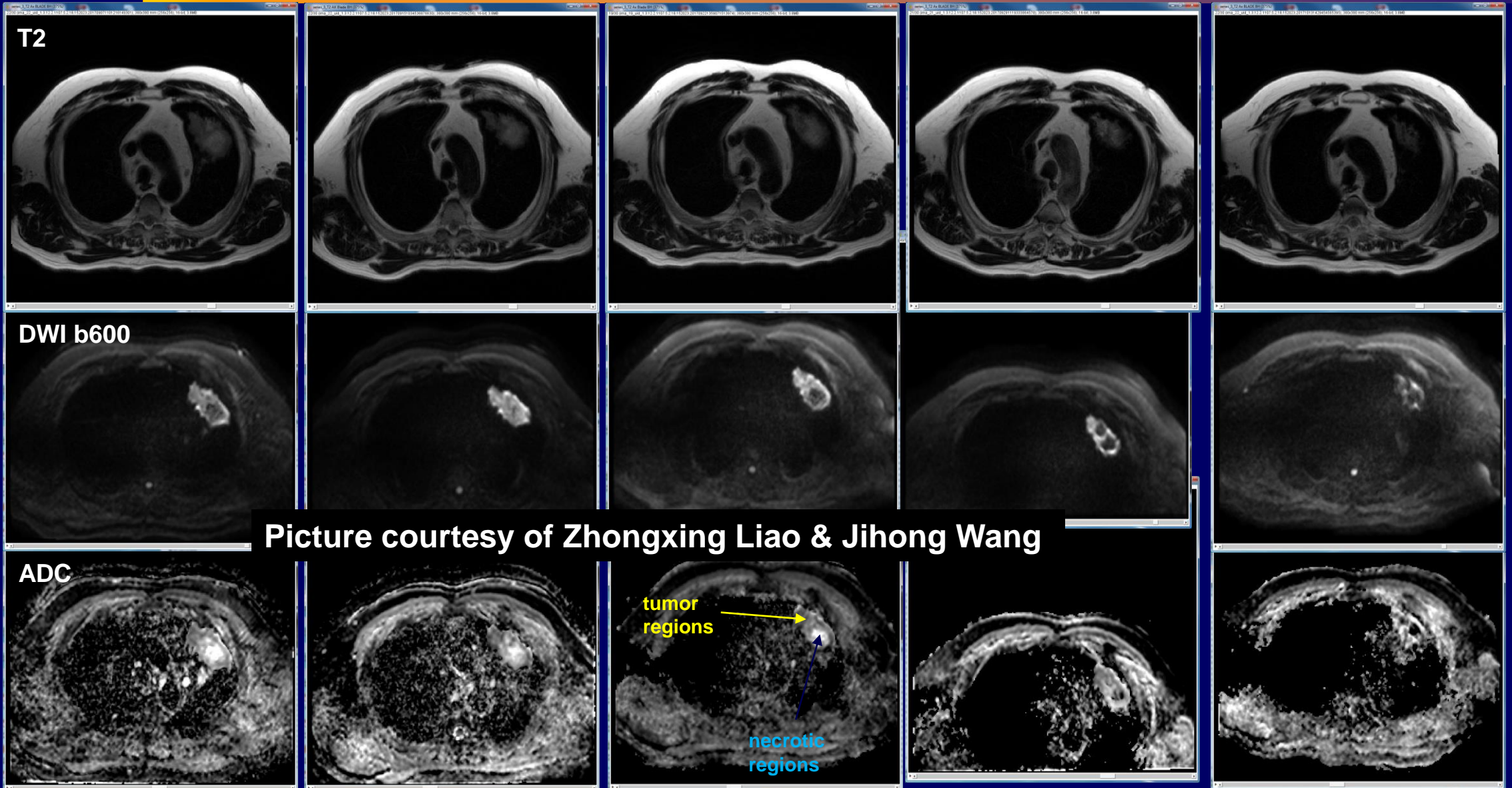
Week 1

Week 2

Week 3

Week 4

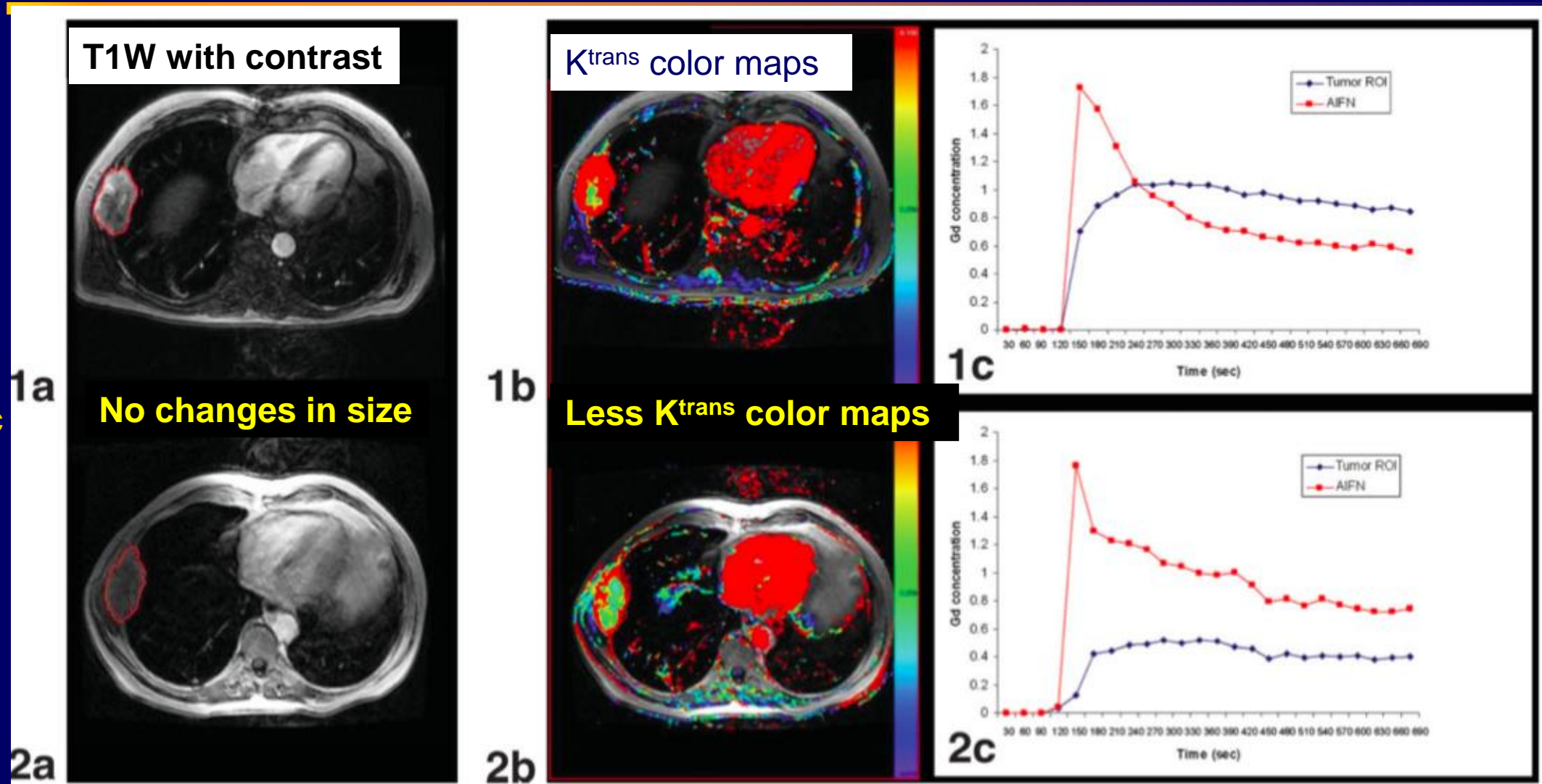
Week 6



K^{trans} MRI Detects Early Changes in Metastatic Melanoma

Pre-RT

2 weeks
into anti-
angiogenic
treatment



Clinical Trials in mpMRI for Treatment Response Assessment

Row	Saved	Status	Study Title	Conditions	Interventions	Locations
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unk	13 study listed in Cinicaltrials.org through searching by “MultiParametric MRI” and “treatment response assessment”			
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rec				
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not yet recruiting NEW	Bladder Fiducial Markers and Multiparametric-MRI (Mp-MRI) to Optimize Bladder Chemo-radiotherapy	• Bladder Cancer	• Procedure: Fiducial marker placement	• Cedars-Sinai Medical Center (CSMC) ...les, California, United
455 studies for “MRI” and “tx response assessment”, mostly from Europe, followed by US, 4 studies for PET-MRI						
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5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown †	Deformable Registration of Multi-parametric MRI to Intra-operative Transrectal Ultrasound for Prostate Brachytherapy	• Prostate Cancer	• Procedure: Brachytherapy	• Sheba_Medical_Center Tel Hashomer, Israel
6	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown †	Multi-Parametric Brain Cancer MRI	• Brain Tumors	• Other: 3D MRI Scans	• Cross Cancer Institute Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
7	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting	Pilot Study Evaluating the Role of Histopathology Correlation	• Prostate	• Device: Uronav	• Case Comprehensive Cancer

MpMRI for precision ART treatment

Essential Components for Precision ART

- Modern pretreatment imaging
- Real time imaging to detect the changes
- Evaluation the changes in tumor and OARs
- Precise image registration (deformable)
- Model based segmentation, automatic re-contouring (ideally)
- Accurate dose computation (deformable)
- Rapid automatic treatment planning (ideally)

MRI Linac holds almost all of these essential needs for ART.

MRI Can also use function imaging to guide Biology Guided Adaptive Radiation Therapy (BigART).

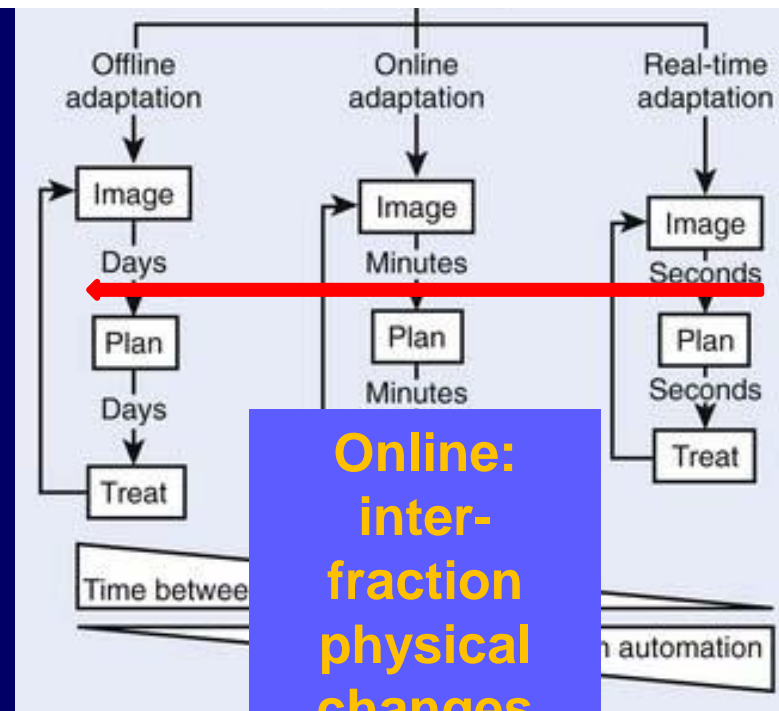
MRI Can Guide ART, Online or Offline

Online: physicist, therapist, physician

Real time: physicist, therapist, physician

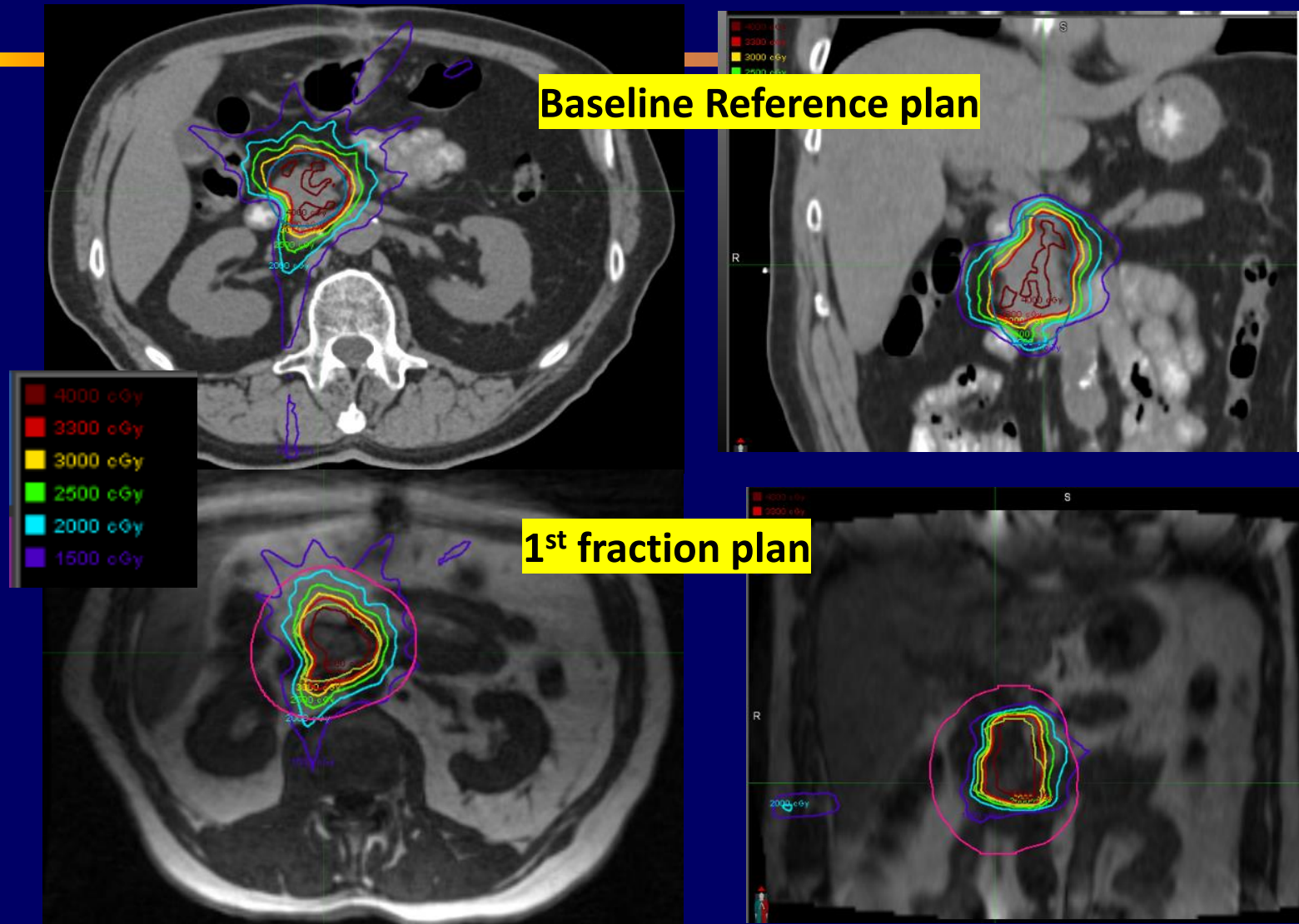
Offline: dosimetrist, physicist and physician

Offline:
Suitable for
progressive
change
such as
tumor
response to
RT

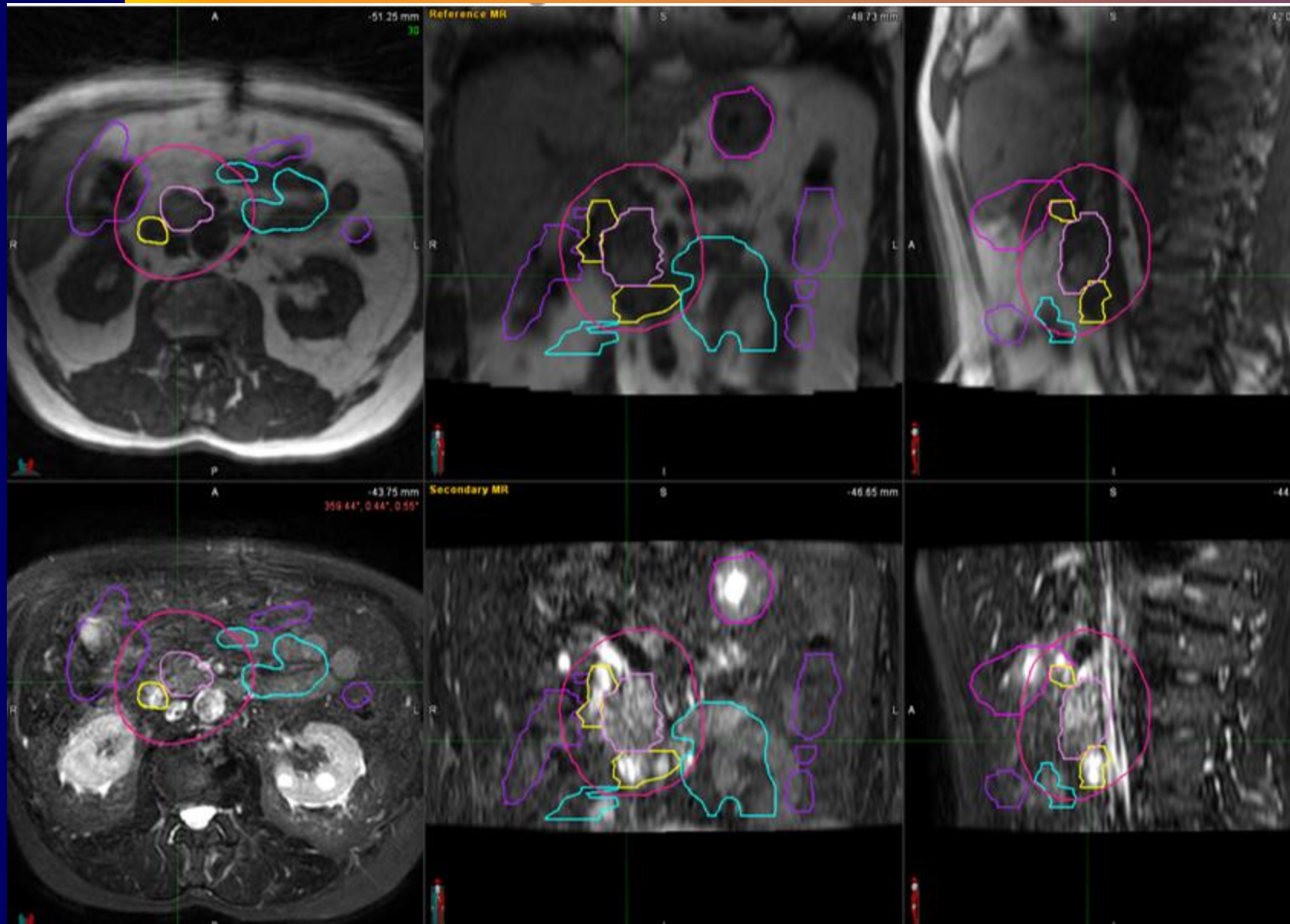


**intra-
fraction
physical
changes**

Pancreatic SBRT Using Online Daily Adaptive Plans



Online Adaptation: Contour Editing

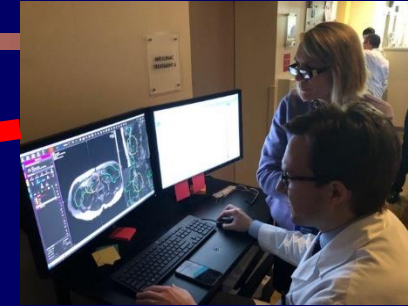
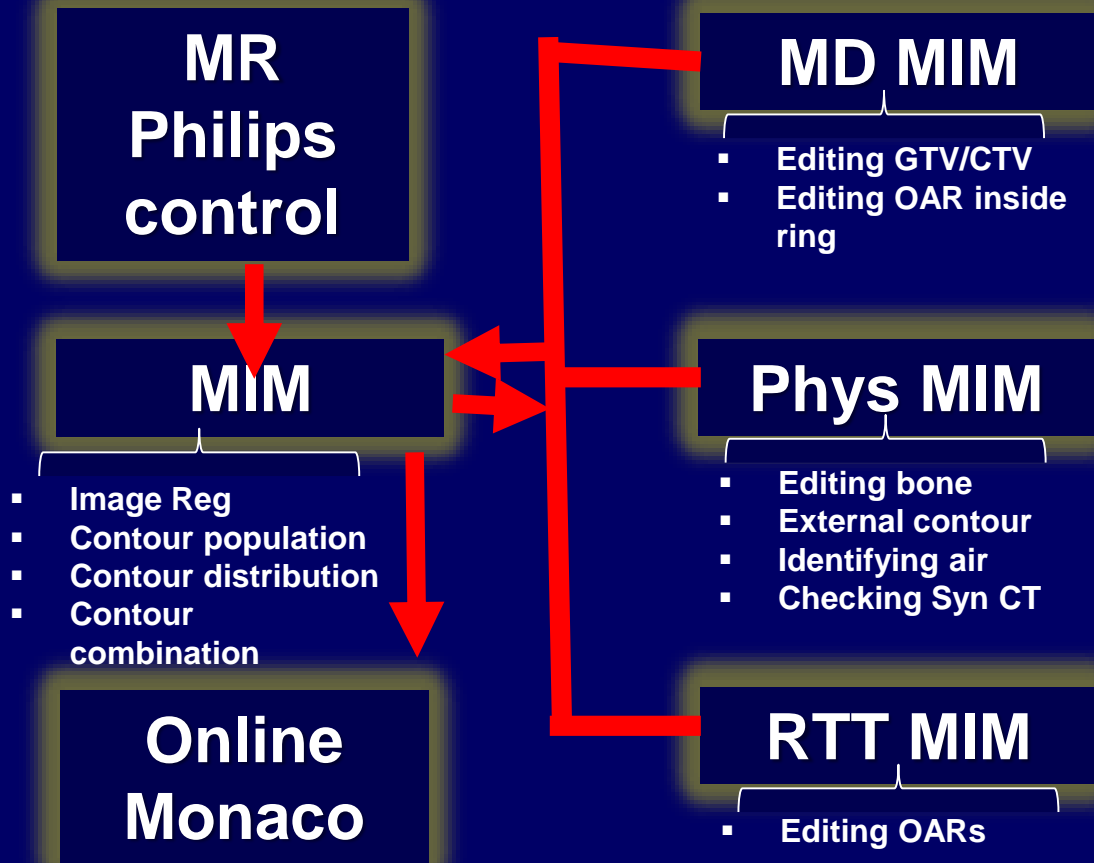


**Motion
Averaged 4D**

**Respiration
triggered 3D T2**

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Online Parallel Contour Editing \



[Technical Note: Acceleration of online adaptive replanning with automation and parallel operations.](#)

Zhang J, Ahunbay E, Li XA.

Med Phys. 2018 Oct;45(10):4370-4376. doi: 10.1002/mp.13106. Epub 2018 Sep 24.

[Paulson E, Ahunbay E, Chen X, Erickson B, Hall W, Li XA, presenting at ASTRO 2019.](#)

Time reduction >50%

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Patient Name:

RT#:

MR Linac Treatment Checklist

	RTT	PHY	MD	Time		
Setup	Confirm no interrupts, interlocks on Integrity	x	x		09:03:20	
	Confirm gantry at 0 degrees	x	x		09:03:24	
	Clean Online and Offline Monaco Import Directories		x		09:03:26	
	Confirm patient is closed on Offline Monaco		x		09:03:41	
	Open and configure Moniqa, ArtQA, Online Monaco, Offline Monaco, Shadows	x	x	x	09:04:35	
Launch MIM and set search date to TODAY	x	x	x		09:04:58	
Daily MR Assessment (no bra with metal underwire or clasps)	x				09:05:01	
Ear plugs, headphones with music, no loops	x				09:21:33	
Pre-Beam	Confirm auto-push to Online Monaco is off on Philips Host	x			09:05:26	
	Adjust shim volume; confirm FOV contains anatomy	x			09:21:36	
	Manually push daily MR to <Online Monaco, Offline Monaco, MIM>					
Confirm all daily MR slices transferred (100% in Job Queue on Philips Host)	x				09:27:49	
Acquire B0 map, qMRI sequences during registration and plan adaptation						
Workflow Decision	If AP shift > +/-1cm tolerance, use Adapt to Shape					
	If target rotation or deformation, use Adapt to Shape					
	If target close to air cavity, use Adapt to Shape					
	If changes in radiological depth (external contour), use Adapt to Shape					
Adapt to Position	3D plans use Adapt Segments only					
	If small shifts Optimize Weights; otherwise Optimize Shapes					
Adapt to Shape	Run "FH MRL Setup Parallel Contouring" workflow in MIM		x		09:35:26	
	Confirm patient (external) contour is correct (use sagittal or coronal views)		x		09:42:47	
	OAR contour approval within edit ring			x	09:42:44	
	Target contour approval			x	09:42:50	
	Run "FH MRL Post Parallel Contouring" workflow in MIM		x		09:42:54	
	View Synthetic CT; confirm electron density assignment (feces or air?)		x		09:47:51	
	If small shifts Optimize Weights; otherwise Optimize Shapes		x		09:48:28	
	Start from Segments (small anatomy change); otherwise Start from Fluence		x		09:48:54	
	Scale adaptive plan for PTV coverage		x		09:54:12	
	Optional: Acquire verification image; push to Online Monaco	x			09:54:09	
	Adaptive plan review (compare DVHs, etc)		x		09:53:56	
	Evaluate plan with traffic lights (green = ideal; yellow = acceptable)		x		09:53:52	
	Save plan; run Moniqa (plan quality and MR-MV check mode)		x		09:54:01	
	Run ArtQA secondary dose check		x		09:54:04	
Plan Evaluation	Optional: Perform Adapt to Position on verification image		x		09:54:31	
	Adaptive plan approval		x		09:57:16	
	Run Moniqa (Mosaik integrity check mode)		x		09:58:59	
	Visual beam parameter verification cross-check		x		09:58:54	
	Initiate motion monitoring	x			09:58:25	
	Beam-On	x			10:00:10	
	Post-Beam	Optional: Acquire post-beam verification image	x			10:11:02
		DICOM export qMRI and B0 images to MIM Clinical	x			09:55:37
		Run Moniqa (treatment delivery check mode)		x		10:11:14
		Reconstruct dose on post-beam verification MR				
Export daily MR, structures, plan, and dose to MIM; generate DVH summary						
Scale and accumulate daily dose on first fraction MR; generate report						
Post-process quantitative imaging						
Add QA session in Treatment Calendar						
Add plan document, ArtQA, DVH summary, SPC, IMRTQA report to Mosaik						
1/31/19		Date/Initials:				

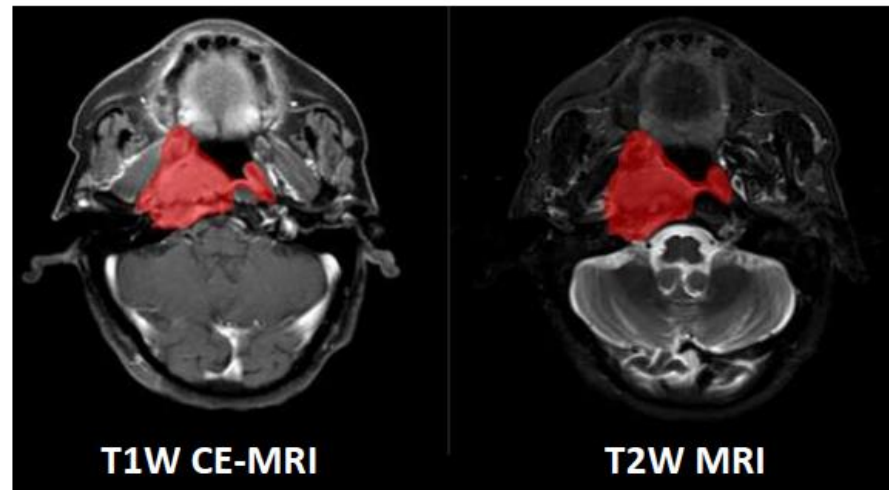
Average times for Adapt to Shape

	Duration
Patient setup	5 min
Pre-beam 4DMRI (acqui + recon + trans)	6 min
Reg + Contour editing	13 min
Plan adaptation	11 min
ArtQA + double checks	1 min
Beam-on time	10 min
Post-tx 4DMRI	3 min
Total on-table time	50 min

Off Line MpMRI Radiomic Based BigART

Multi-parametric MRI Radiomics

Pretreatment Prediction of Adaptive Radiation Therapy Eligibility using MRI-based Radiomics for Advanced Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma Patients

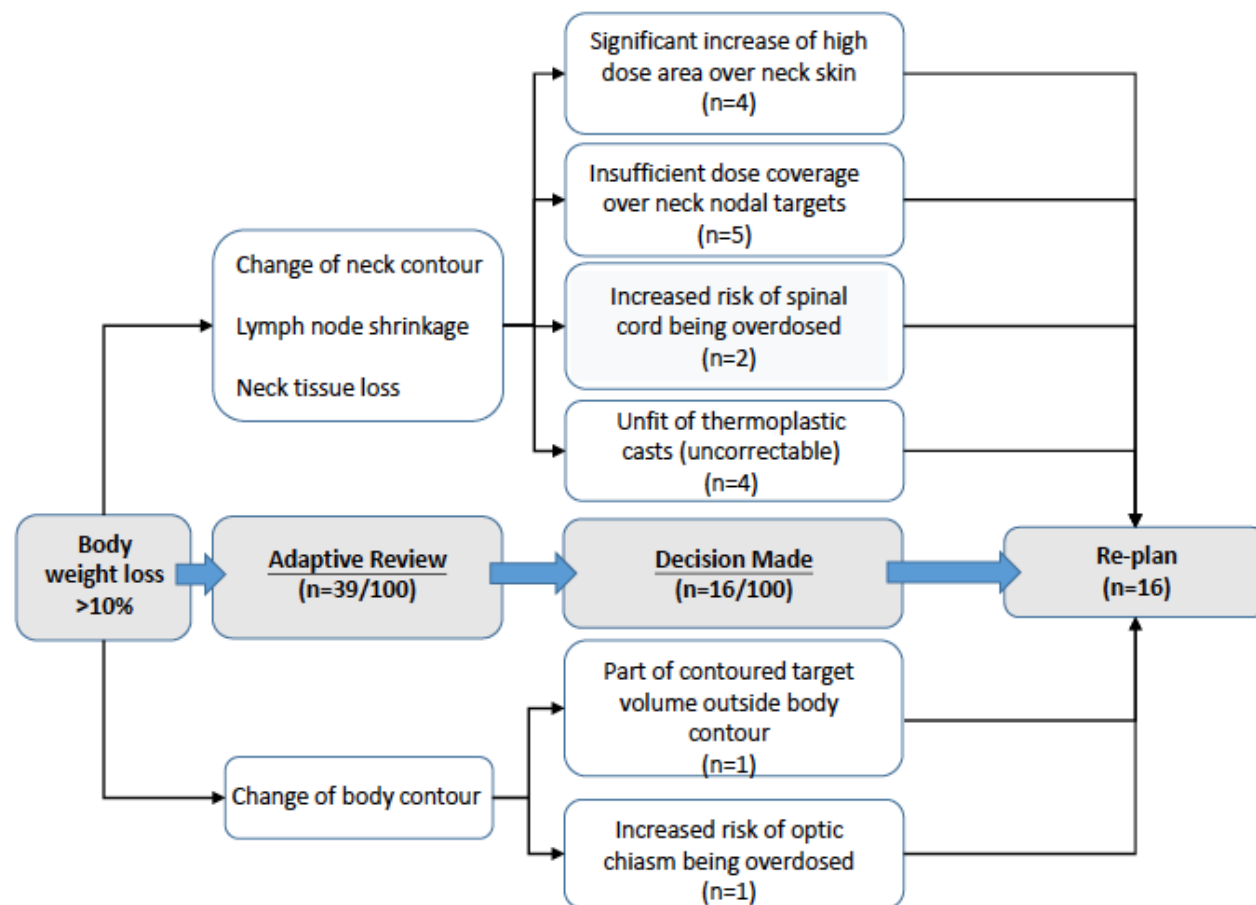


Baseline mpMRI radiomic can be used for prediction

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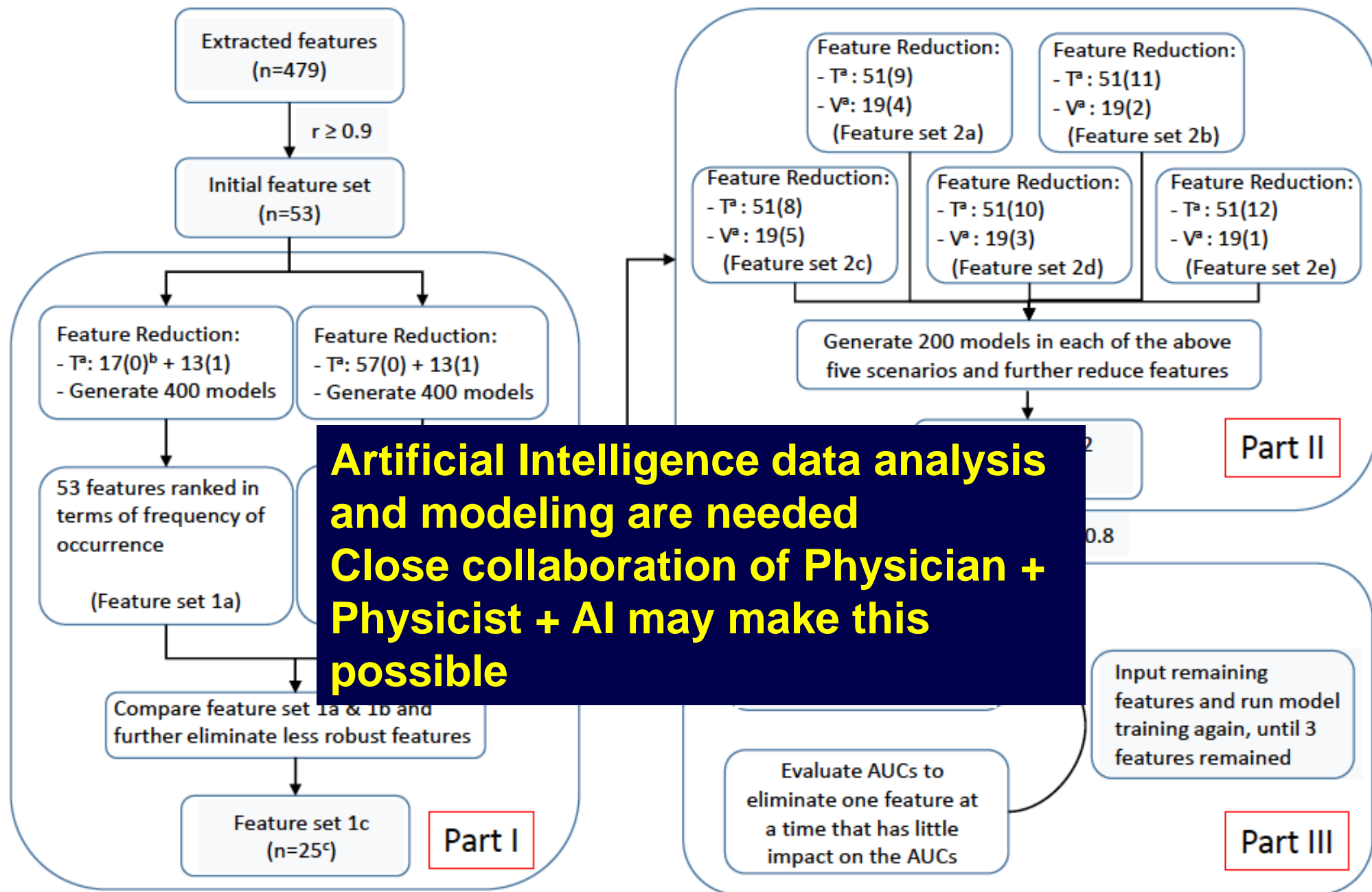
MpMRI plus Clinical Knowledge for BigART

Clinical Decision Making of ART at QEH



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Clinical trial ongoing in HongKong, Jing Cai et al



MpMRI Radiomic Model Guided ART Decision

Radiomics-based Prediction Model for Adaptive Radiation Therapy (ART)		
Images sequences	MR Images – T2W-STIR	
No. of Selected Features	8	
Individual Feature	Feature Value	Weight
1. Original shape Elongation	a	0.5697537
2. Original shape SurfaceArea	b	1.2716523
3. Original firstorder Kurtosis		
4. Log-sigma-2.0-mm-3D gldm LargeDependenceHighGrayLevel Emphasis		
5. Log-sigma-2.0-mm-3D glcm lmc1		
6. Log-sigma-2.0-mm-3D firstorder Median	f	0.6391367
7. Log-sigma-3.0-mm-3D glcm ldn	g	-1.9804444
8. Log-sigma-3.0-mm-3D ngtdm Strength	h	-0.1232414
The best-performance feature	Log-sigma-3.0-mm-3D glcm ldn	-1.9804444
Rad-score formula	$-2.012202747 + 0.5697537a + 1.2716523b - 0.3969821c + 1.4055497d + 0.2008964e + 0.6391367f - 1.9804444g - 0.1232414h$	

Radiomics-based Prediction Model for Adaptive Radiation Therapy (ART)		
Images sequences	MR Images - CET1	
No. of Selected Features	8	
Individual Feature	Feature Value	Weight
1. Original glcm lmc2	a	3.146997
2. Original first order skewness	b	0.102094
3. Log sigma 20mm 3D glcm MCC	c	-4.303517
4. Log sigma 20mm 3D		1.088471
		5.247539
		1.711327
7. Log sigma 40mm 3D gldm Small Dependence Low Gray Level Emphasis	g	-6.345265
8. Log sigma 40mm 3D firstorder Kurtosis	h	-1.015541
The best-performance feature	Log sigma 40mm 3D gldm Small Dependence Low Gray Level Emphasis	-6.345265
Rad-score formula	$-3.066949 + 3.146997a + 0.102094b - 4.303517c + 1.088471d + 5.247539e + 1.711327f - 6.345265g - 1.015541h$	

MpMRI will lift the level of precision oncology and radiation oncology to generate clinical benefit!

From
Jing Cai,
2020

Discussion

This small study will in

1 study listed in Cinicaltrials.org through searching by “MultiParametric MRI”

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Mount Vernon Cance

Mount Vernon Cance

Small changes in sha

- University Health Network -

- United States
- (and 4 more...)

2 ☐ Recruiting MR Guidance for Liver and Pancreas

- **Magnetic**
- Other: MRI

2 ☐ Recruiting MR Guidance for Liver and Pancreas

Estimated Observation Time

4 ☐ Completed **Adaptive MRI-Guided SBRT for Unresectable Primary or Oligometastatic Central Thorax and Abdominal Malignancies**

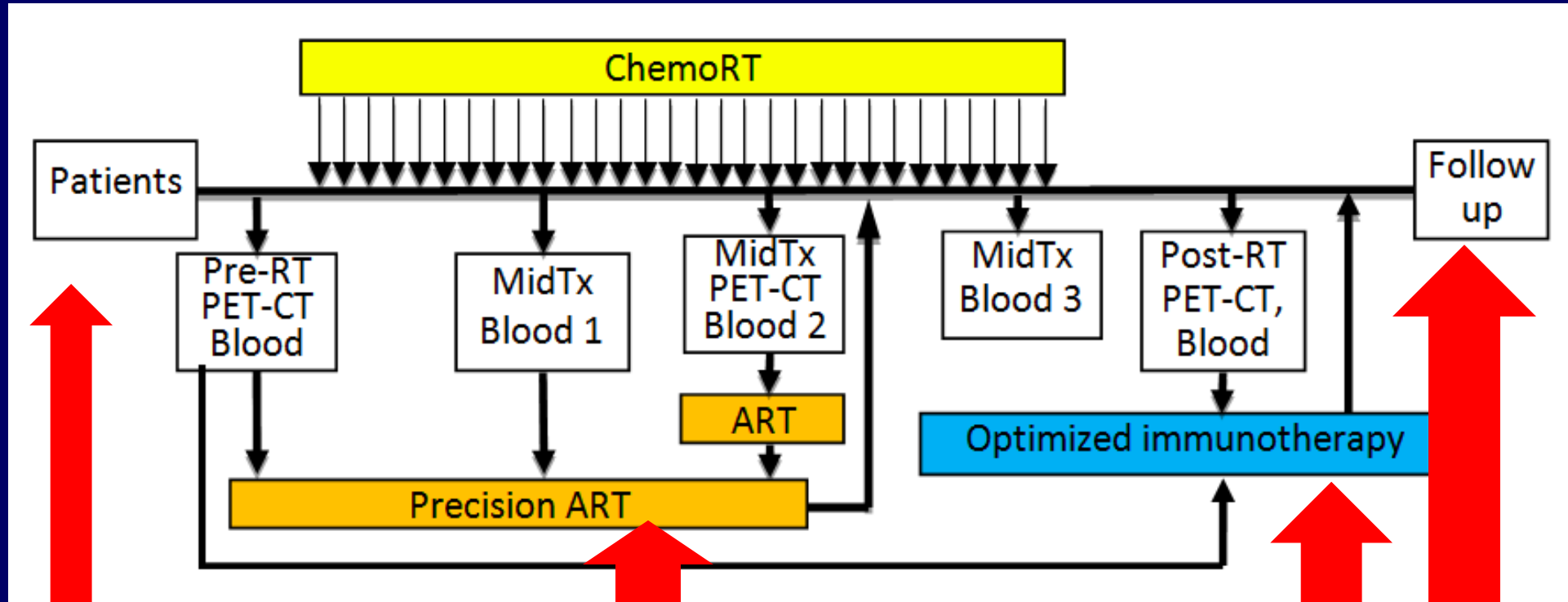
- Central Thorax Cancer
- Liver Cancer
- Non-Liver Abdominal Cancer
- **Radiation:** MRI-guided stereotactic body **radiation therapy**

- Washington University School of Medicine
St. Louis, Missouri, United States

Official Title: **Adaptive Radiotherapy** for High-risk Prostate Cancer Using **Multiparametric MRI (ARPC-MRI)** - a Feasibility Study

Future of MpMRI in Precision Oncology & Radiation Oncology

Stage III
NSCLC
for
example



**MRI Precision Oncology
to Make the Best
Decision**

**MRI Precision BigART
to Optimize Treatment**

**MRI Precision Adjuvant
Therapy and Follow-up
to Improve Survival**

Thank You!!!

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Biomarkers**

