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*“Il carcinoma mammario in stadio iniziale:
Il razionale dell’irradiazione parziale”*

Early stage breast cancer

- *Decrease of mortality rate in recent years*
- *Early diagnosis (screening programs)*
- *More efficient local and systemic treatment*
- *Conservative local approach*

LR AND SURVIVAL RATES IN RANDOMIZED TRIALS COMPARING CS WITH AND WITHOUT RT

TRIAL	BREAST LR %		OVERALL SURVIVAL %		FU
	CS	CS + RT	CS	CS + RT	
Upp- Orebro	24	9	78	78	10-y (act)
MILAN	23	6	92	92	5-y (act)
ONTARIO	40	18	72	74	10-y (act)
NSABP B-06	36	12	58	62	12-y (act)
NSABP B-21	12	6			6-y (crude)
SCOTTISH	28	6	85	88	5-y (act)
SWEBCG	14	4	94	94	5-y (act)

IMPACT OF RT IN INFILTRATING BC AFTER CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

Seven randomized trials have compared CS and CS + RT.

The trials vary with regard to patient selection, extent of surgery and RT, use of adjuvant therapy and follow-up.

Despite these differences, all trials confirmed an average 84% crude reduction of LR in the irradiated group.

VINH-HUNG STUDY

(JNCI 2004, 96 : 115-121)

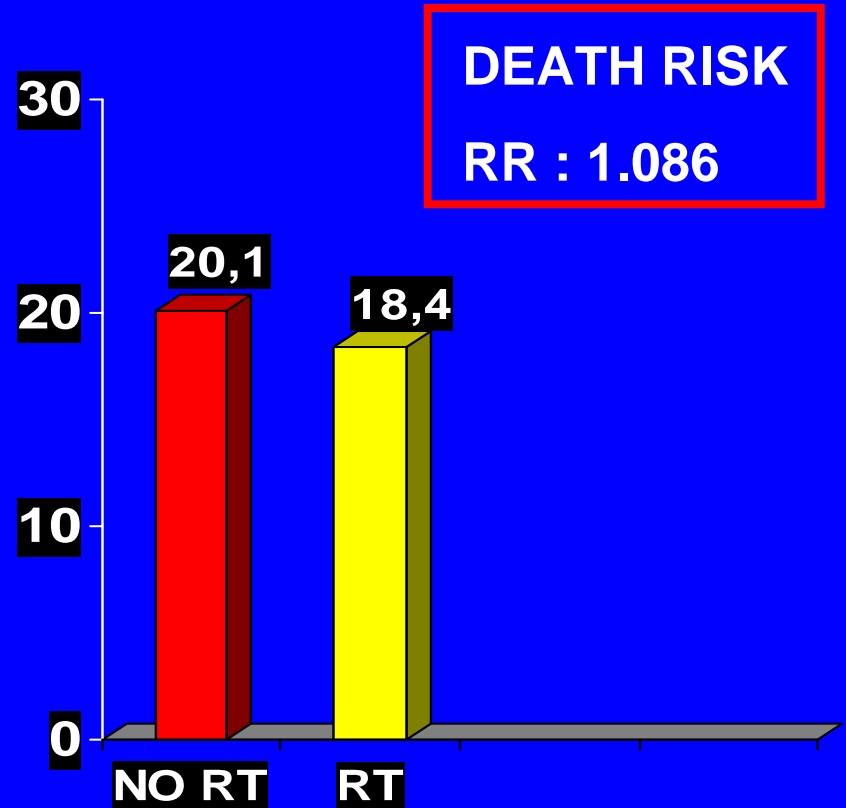
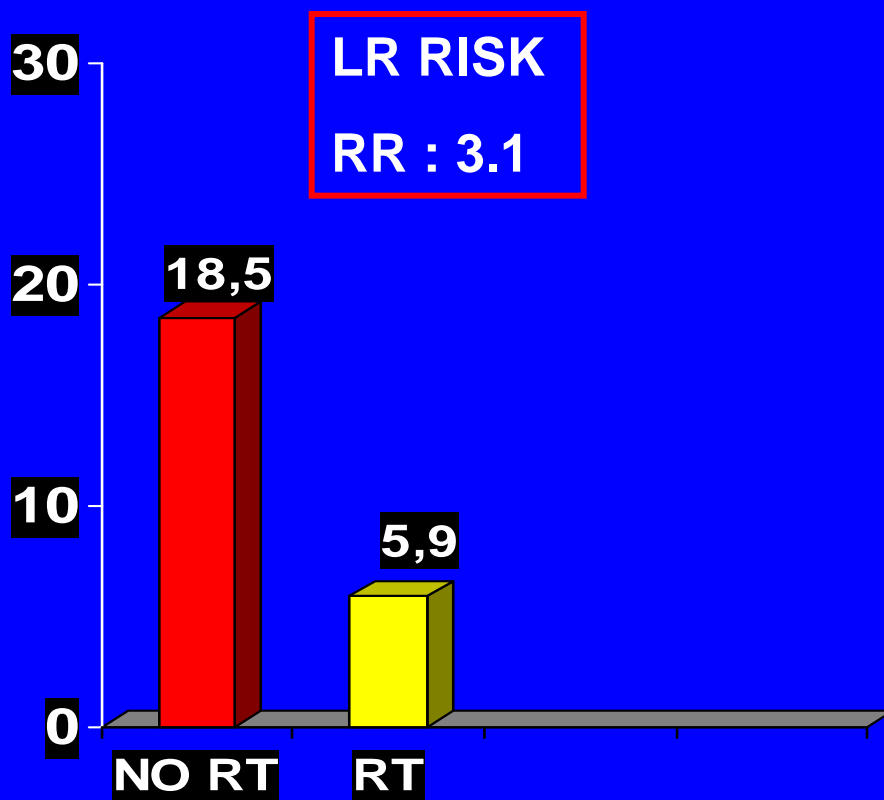
**Analysis of randomized trials
comparing conservative surgery without
and with RT :**

9422 patients included in 15 trials.

RR for patients without RT :

INFLUENCE OF RT USE ON LR AND MORTALITY. A POOLED-ANALYSIS

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ANALYSIS OF 9422 PATIENTS IN 15 TRIALS

Effects of radiotherapy and of differences in the extent of surgery for early breast cancer on local recurrence and 15-year survival: an overview of the randomised trials



Early Breast Cancer Trialists' Collaborative Group (EBCTCG)*

Summary

Background In early breast cancer, variations in local treatment that substantially affect the risk of locoregional recurrence could also affect long-term breast cancer mortality. To examine this relationship, collaborative meta-analyses were undertaken, based on individual patient data, of the relevant randomised trials that began by 1995.

Methods Information was available on 42 000 women in 78 randomised treatment comparisons (radiotherapy vs no radiotherapy, 23 500; more vs less surgery, 9300; more surgery vs radiotherapy, 9300). 24 types of local treatment comparison were identified. To help relate the effect on local (ie, locoregional) recurrence to that on breast cancer mortality, these were grouped according to whether or not the 5-year local recurrence risk exceeded 10% (<10%, 17 000 women; >10%, 25 000 women).

Findings About three-quarters of the eventual local recurrence risk occurred during the first 5 years. In the comparisons that involved little (<10%) difference in 5-year local recurrence risk there was little difference in 15-year breast cancer mortality. Among the 25 000 women in the comparisons that involved substantial (>10%) differences, however, 5-year local recurrence risks were 7% active versus 26% control (absolute reduction 19%), and 15-year breast cancer mortality risks were 44.6% versus 49.5% (absolute reduction 5.0%, SE 0.8, 2p<0.00001).

These 25 000 women included 7300 with breast-conserving surgery (BCS) in trials of radiotherapy (generally just to the conserved breast), with 5-year local recurrence risks (mainly in the conserved breast, as most had axillary clearance and node-negative disease) 7% versus 26% (reduction 19%), and 15-year breast cancer mortality risks 30.5% versus 35.9% (reduction 5.4%, SE 1.7, 2p=0.0002; overall mortality reduction 5.3%, SE 1.8, 2p=0.005). They also included 8500 with mastectomy, axillary clearance, and node-positive disease in trials of radiotherapy (generally to the chest wall and regional lymph nodes), with similar absolute gains from radiotherapy; 5-year local recurrence risks (mainly at these sites) 6% versus 23% (reduction 17%), and 15-year breast cancer mortality risks 54.7% versus 60.1% (reduction 5.4%, SE 1.3, 2p=0.0002; overall mortality reduction 4.4%, SE 1.2, 2p=0.0009). Radiotherapy produced similar *proportional* reductions in local recurrence in all women (irrespective of age or tumour characteristics) and in all major trials of radiotherapy versus not (recent or older; with or without systemic therapy), so large *absolute* reductions in local recurrence were seen only if the control risk was large.

To help assess the life-threatening side-effects of radiotherapy, the trials of radiotherapy versus not were combined with those of radiotherapy versus more surgery. There was, at least with some of the older radiotherapy regimens, a significant excess incidence of contralateral breast cancer (rate ratio 1.18, SE 0.06, 2p=0.002) and a significant excess of non-breast-cancer mortality in irradiated women (rate ratio 1.12, SE 0.04, 2p=0.001). Both were slight during the first 5 years, but continued after year 15. The excess mortality was mainly from heart disease (rate ratio 1.27, SE 0.07, 2p=0.0001) and lung cancer (rate ratio 1.78, SE 0.22, 2p=0.0004).

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Isolated local recurrence (events/woman-years)

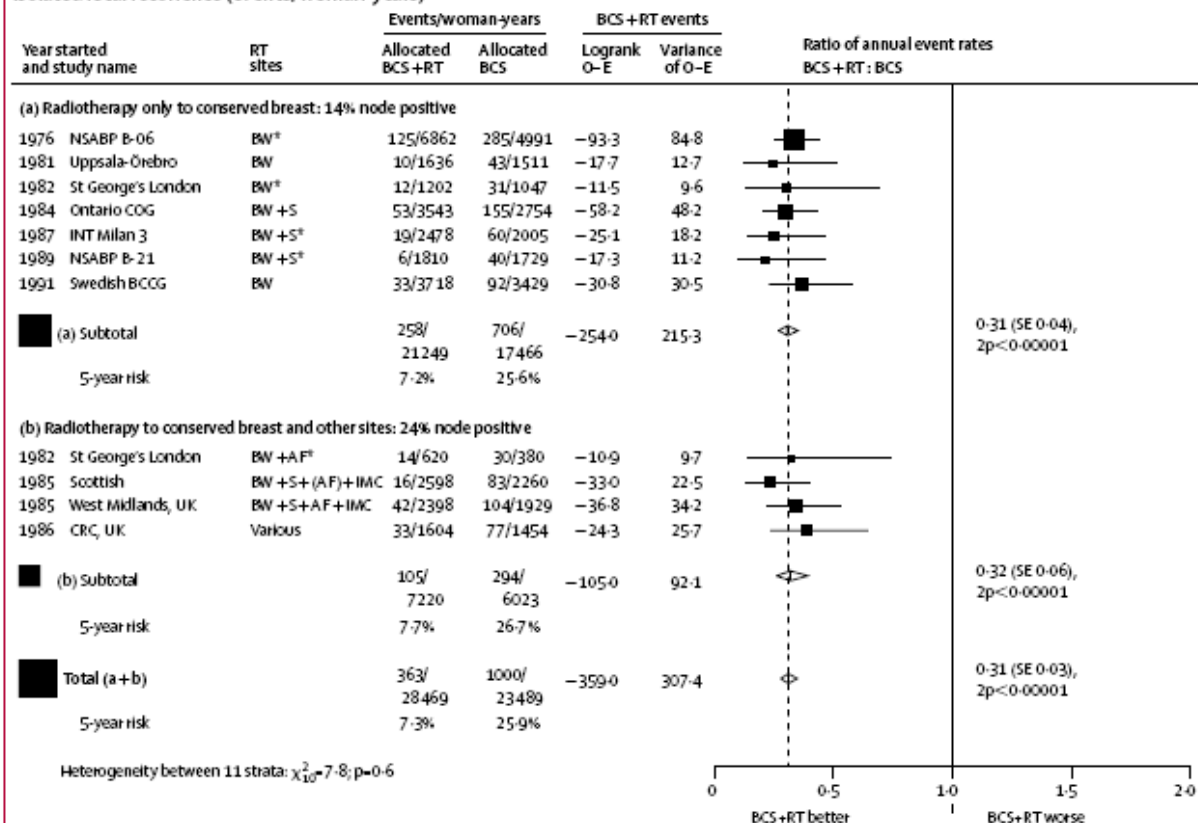
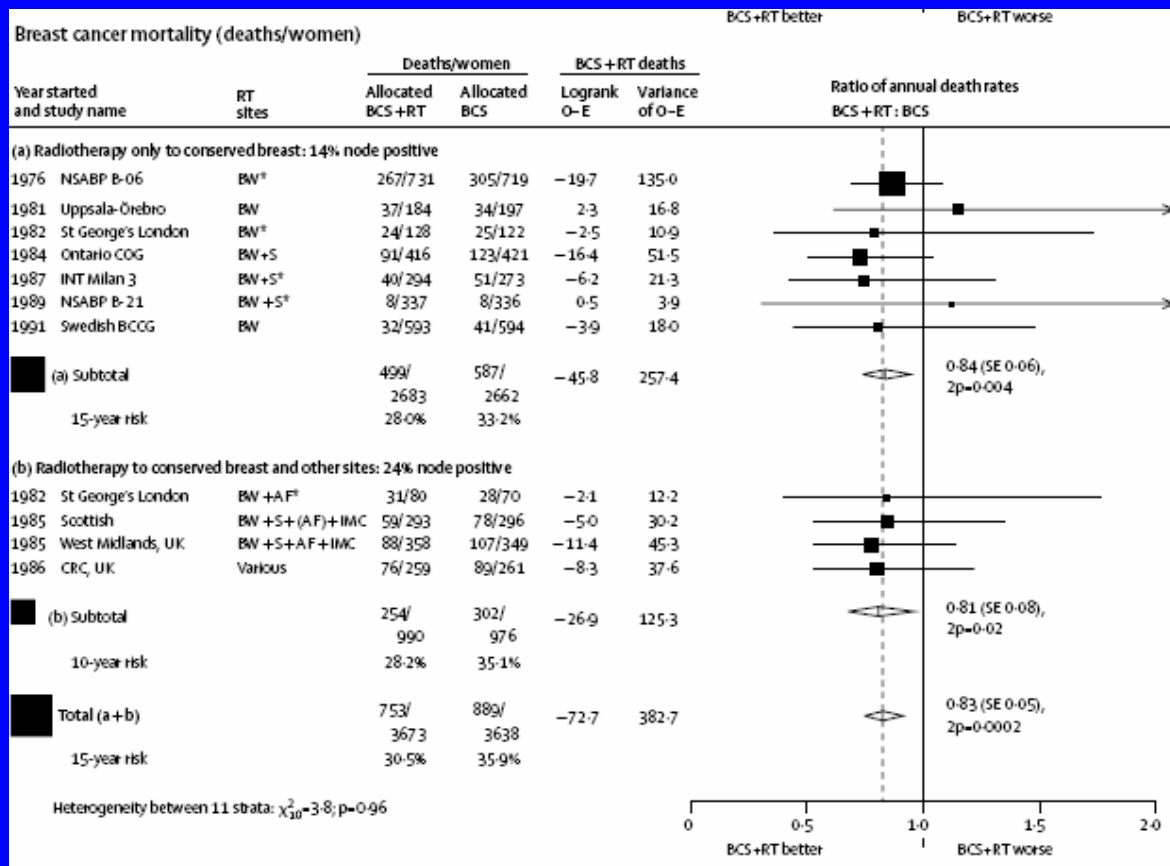


Figure 1: Effect of radiotherapy (RT) after BCS (ten trials) on local recurrence and on breast cancer mortality—event rate ratios

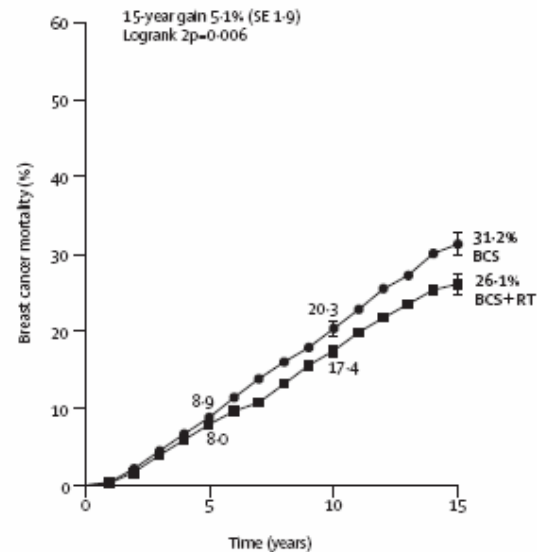
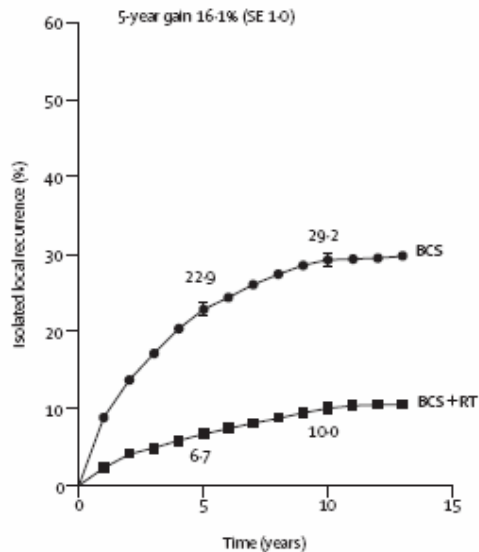
O-E=observed-expected.
 BW=breast/chest wall.
 S=scar (as site of RT boost).
 AF=axilla/fossa.
 IMC=internal mammary chain.
 Sites in parentheses not always treated.

*Some systemic adjuvant therapy (same polychemotherapy and/or tamoxifen) in both groups.

99% CIs are given for trial-specific results (black squares) and 95% CIs are given for subtotals and totals (white diamonds).



6097 women with BCS and node-negative disease



1214 women with BCS and node-positive disease

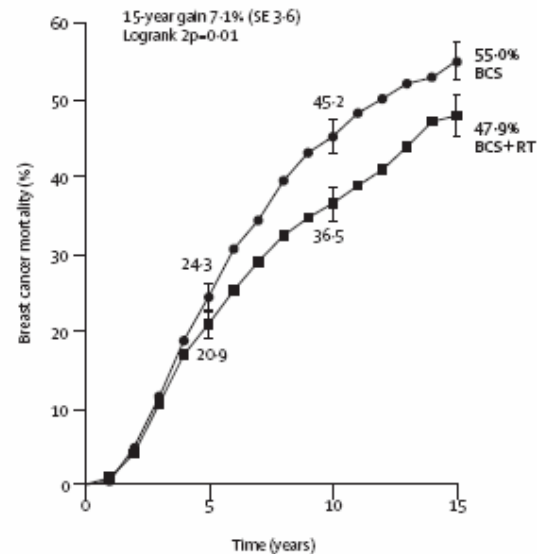
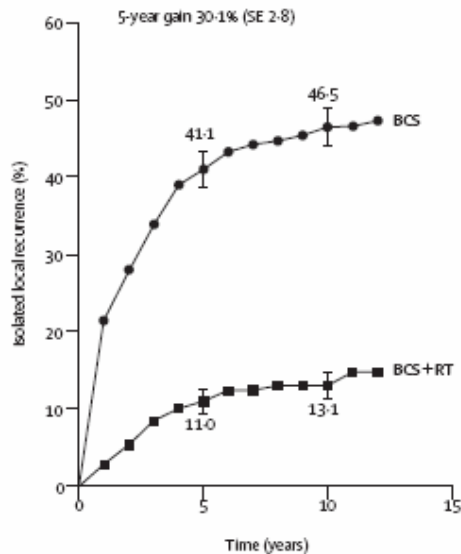


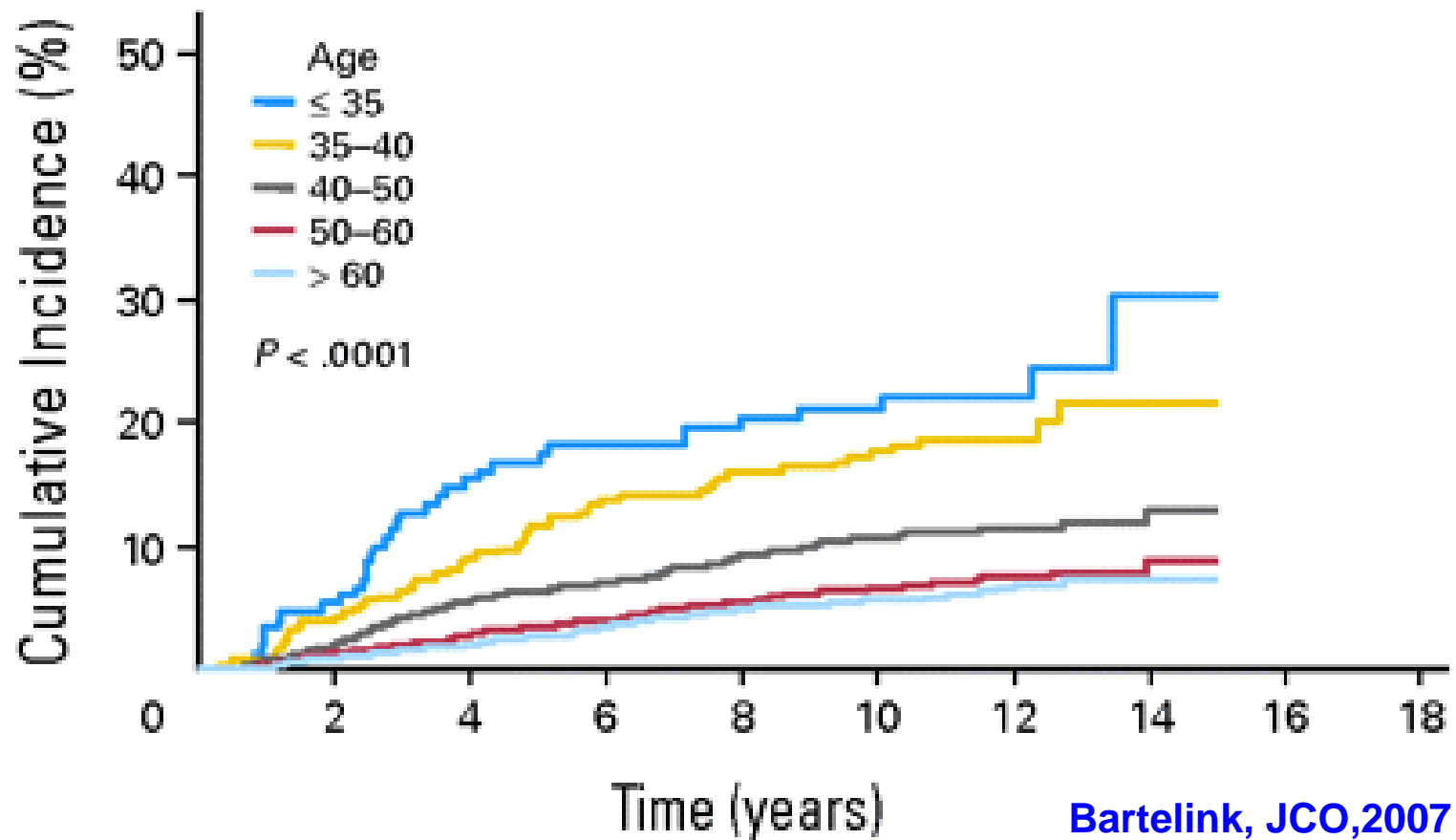
Figure 2: Effect of radiotherapy (RT) after BCS on local recurrence and on breast cancer mortality—15-year probabilities
Data from 10 trials. Vertical lines indicate 1 SE above or below the 5, 10, and 15 year percentages.

EORTC Trial design

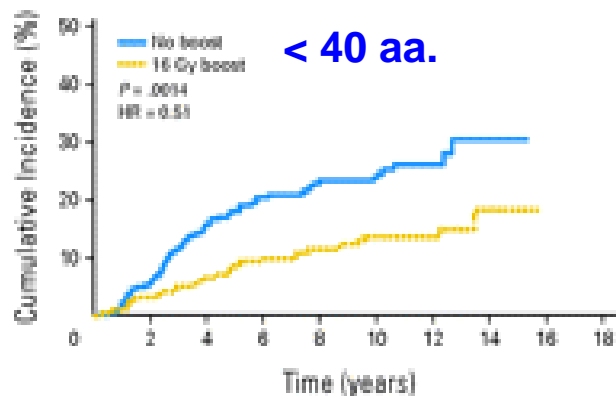
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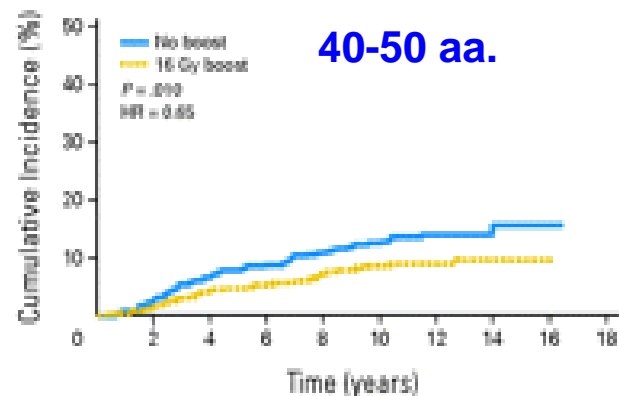
- **Analysis by intention to treat**



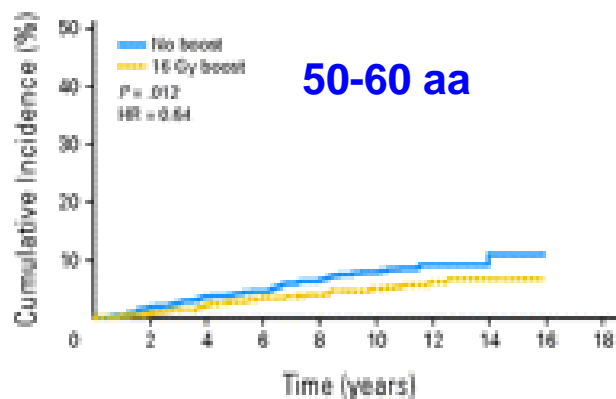
Age	O	N	No. of patients at risk						
≤ 35	34	154	127	101	88	75	56	25	6
35-40	53	295	252	221	189	167	127	56	13
40-50	140	1,334	1,201	1,058	936	840	574	271	62
50-60	119	1,803	1,646	1,496	1,347	1,191	798	351	64
> 60	97	1,732	1,579	1,404	1,259	1,093	739	324	63

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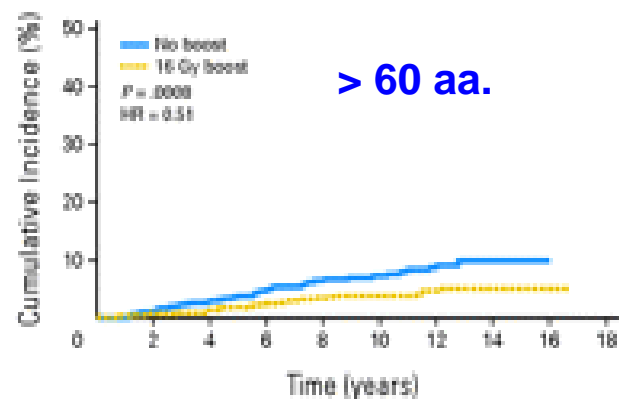
	Q	N	No. of patients at risk							
No boost	57	228	193	160	140	115	86	37	9	
16 Gy	30	221	186	162	137	127	97	44	10	

B

	Q	N	No. of patients at risk							
No boost	84	665	595	518	464	417	287	142	29	
16 Gy	56	669	606	540	472	423	287	129	33	

C

	Q	N	No. of patients at risk							
No boost	75	943	858	776	703	625	425	187	29	
16 Gy	44	860	787	720	644	566	373	185	35	

D

	Q	N	No. of patients at risk							
No boost	62	821	750	662	590	516	348	159	32	
16 Gy	35	911	829	742	669	577	391	185	31	

Local Recurrence Risk Related to Microscopic Margin Status

<i>Author</i>	<i>% Local Recurrence</i>		<i>Interval (years)</i>
	<i>Positive</i>	<i>Negative</i>	
<i>Vicini</i>	4	7	6 (act)
<i>Borger</i>	16	2	5 (act)
<i>Fein</i>	5	4	5 (act)
<i>Freedman</i>	12	7	10 (act)
<i>Bartelink</i>	7	2	6 (act)
<i>Clarke</i>	9	4	5 (mean)
<i>Park</i>	14	7	8 ((crude)
<i>Smitt</i>	9	2	5 (act)
<i>Pierce</i>	10	3	5 (act)
<i>Frazier</i>	12	4	8 (med)
<i>Heimann</i>	11	2	5 (act)
<i>Hartsell</i>	11	2	---

8-Year Local Outcome Related to Margins of Resection

- JCRT Experience -

<i>Margin Status</i>	<i># Patients</i>	<i>% Local Recurrence</i>	<i>% D/R/O Recurrence</i>	<i>% Died w/o Recurrence</i>	<i>%NED</i>
<i>Negative</i>	204	7	25	4	63
<i>Close</i>	94	7	28	6	59
<i>Focally Positive</i>	122	14	25	7	54
<i>> Focally Positive</i>	66	27	35	3	35

Close = In-situ/Invasive < 1mm from inked surface (not at surface)

Focally Positive = In-situ/Invasive at inked surface (≤ 3 low power fields)

D/R/O = Distant or regional failure or opposite breast cancer

NED = No evidence of disease

IMPACT OF RT IN INFILTRATING BC AFTER CONSERVATIVE SURGERY

Age and margin status represent the most significant factors for local control after BCT: pts. with positive margins should be reexcised whenever possible; young pts. should receive a boost on the surgical bed after whole breast irradiation

Postmenopausal women with adequate excision represent a group with a low risk of recurrences in which alternative approaches to local treatment can be evaluated

Newer/Alternative Treatment Approaches

- **Efforts to reduce treatment time of RT after breast conserving surgery:**
 - *Are more rapid fractionation schedules using increased daily whole breast fraction sizes ‘acceptable’?*
 - **Is partial breast irradiation (accelerated treatment) an acceptable option?**

Major Studies Exploring the Use of Altered Fractionation Schedules to Reduce Overall Treatment Time with BCT

<i>Series</i>	<i># Pts</i>	<i>Fractionation Schedule</i>	<i>Total Dose</i>	<i>Local Control</i>	<i>Cosmetic Result</i>
<i>Ontario</i>	294	2.5 Gy x 16 5 days/week	40 Gy	3.5% (5-yr)	77% Patients 'Satisfied'
<i>British Columbia</i>	186	2.75 Gy x 16 5 days/week	44 Gy	6% (5-yr)	89% Good/Excellent
<i>Mayo Clinic</i>	37	1.6 Gy bid x 30 1.6 Gy bid x 9 (Boost)	57.6 Gy	0%	87% Good/Excellent
<i>Ontario Randomized Trial</i>	622 612	2.66 Gy x 16 2.0 Gy x 25	42.5 Gy 50 Gy	2.87% 2.90%	No Significant Difference

Ontario Randomized Trial

- **1234 women randomized:**
 - *50 Gy in 25 fractions over 35 days (n=612)*
 - *42.5 Gy in 16 fractions in 22 days (n=622)*
- **Median Follow-up:**
 - *69 months*
- **5-Yr Local Recurrence:**
 - *2.8% (short-arm) vs 3.2% (long-arm)*
- **5-Yr Good/Excellent Global Cosmetic Outcome:**
 - *76.8% (short arm) vs 77.0% (long-arm)*

Conclusions from Studies Exploring the Use of Altered Fractionation Schemes to Reduce Overall Treatment Time with BCT

- Although preliminary results are good, there is concern that the larger fraction sizes in these trials may translate into increased late toxicity and a deterioration in the long-term cosmetic result.
- Long-term results from these trials are needed.
- United Kingdom is currently exploring:
 - **41.5 Gy in 13 fractions over 5 weeks (3.2 Gy/day)**
 - **39 Gy in 13 fractions over 5 weeks (3.0 Gy/day)**
 - **40 Gy in 15 fractions over 3 weeks (2.7 Gy/day)**

START A and START B trials

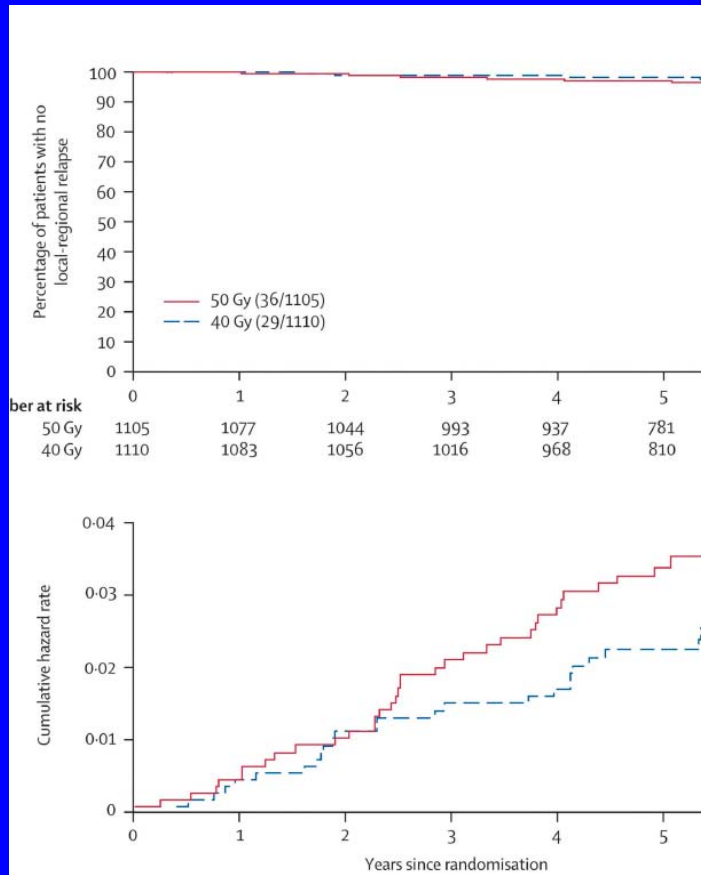


Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier plot (A) and Nelson-Aalen cumulative hazard plot (B) of local-regional tumour relapse in 2215 patients

Median f.u: 6.0 ys

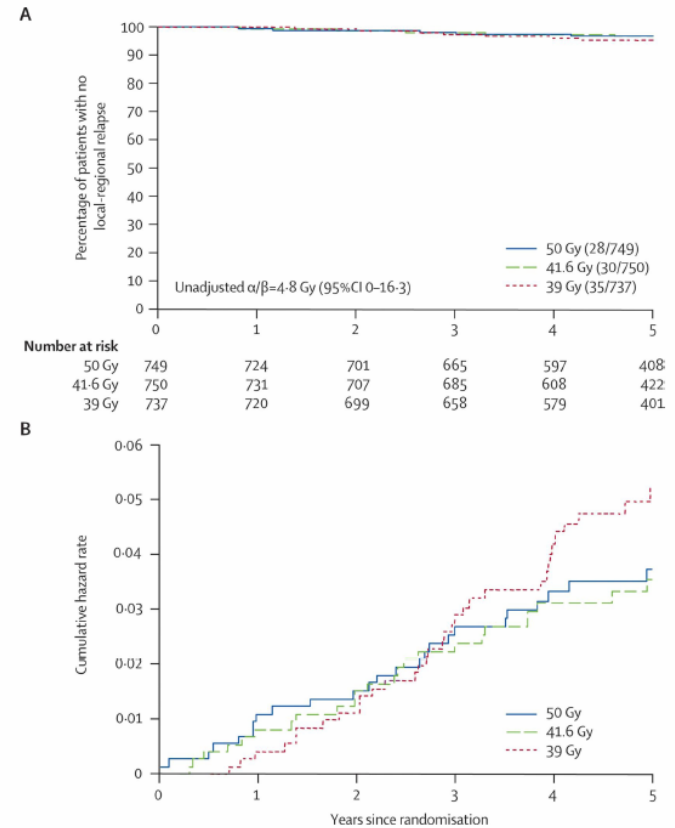
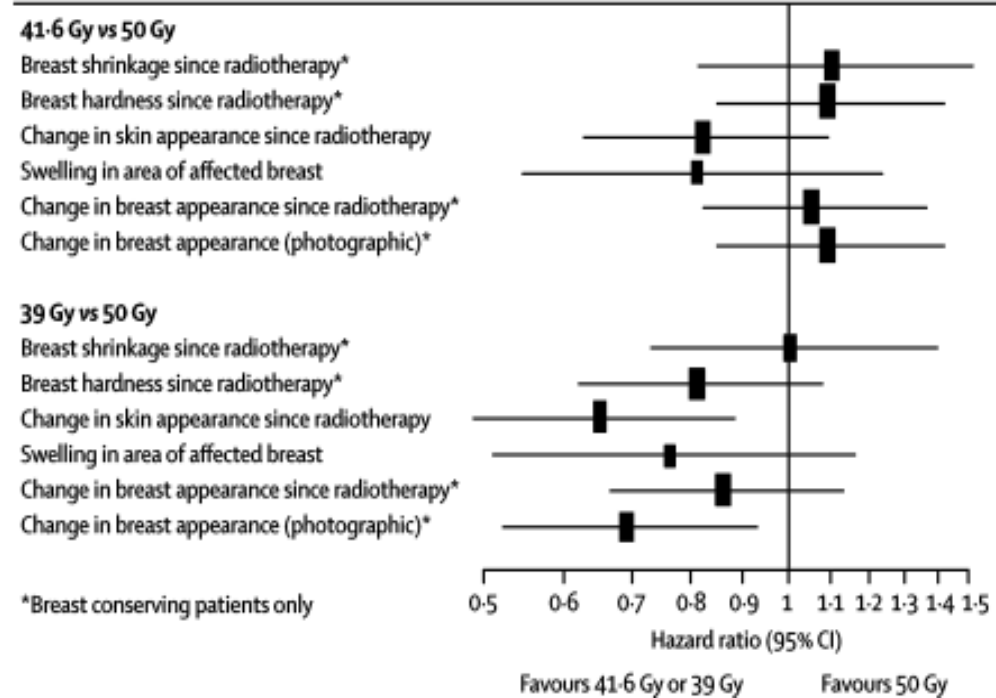
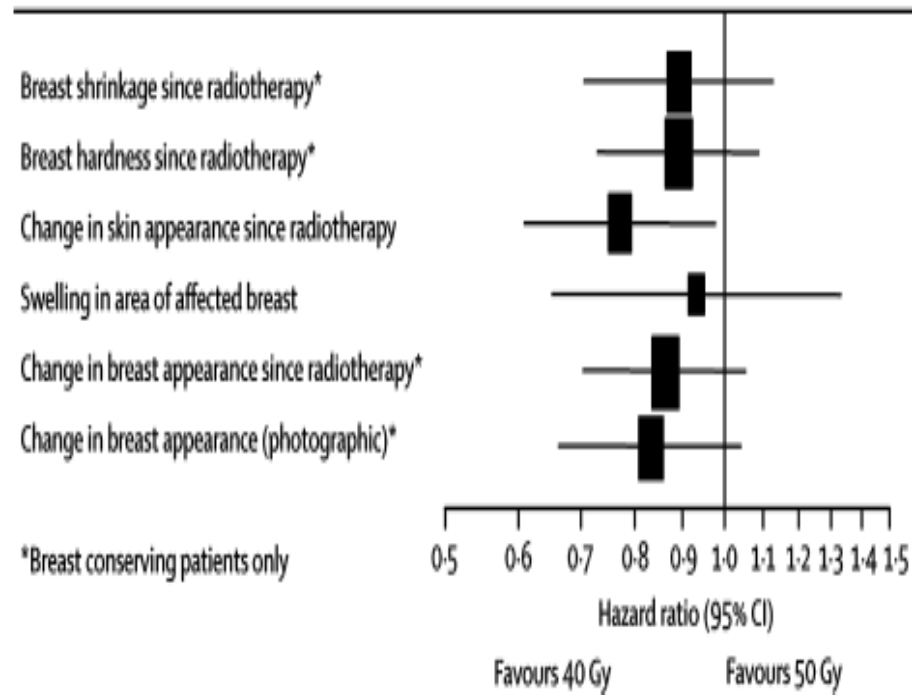


Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier plot (A) and Nelson-Aalen cumulative hazard plot (B) of local-regional tumour relapse in 2236 patients

Median f.u: 5.1 ys

START A and START B trials



WBI can be performed increasing the dose per fraction according to one of the schemes described in the recent literature (Ontario trial, START trial)

Newer/Alternative Treatment Approaches

- **Efforts to *reduce treatment time* of RT after breast conserving surgery:**
 - Are more rapid fractionation schedules using increased daily fraction sizes ‘acceptable’?
 - *Is partial breast irradiation (accelerated treatment) an acceptable option?*

Scientific Rationale

- Partial Breast Irradiation -

- >80-90% Of Recurrences After BCT Occur In The Tumor Bed Region**
- Whole Breast RT May Not Be Needed In ‘Appropriately’ Selected Patients**
- Recurrences Away From Tumor Bed (‘Elsewhere’ Failures) Are Rare After Lumpectomy Alone Or Followed By Whole Breast RT**

Milan III – Local Recurrences

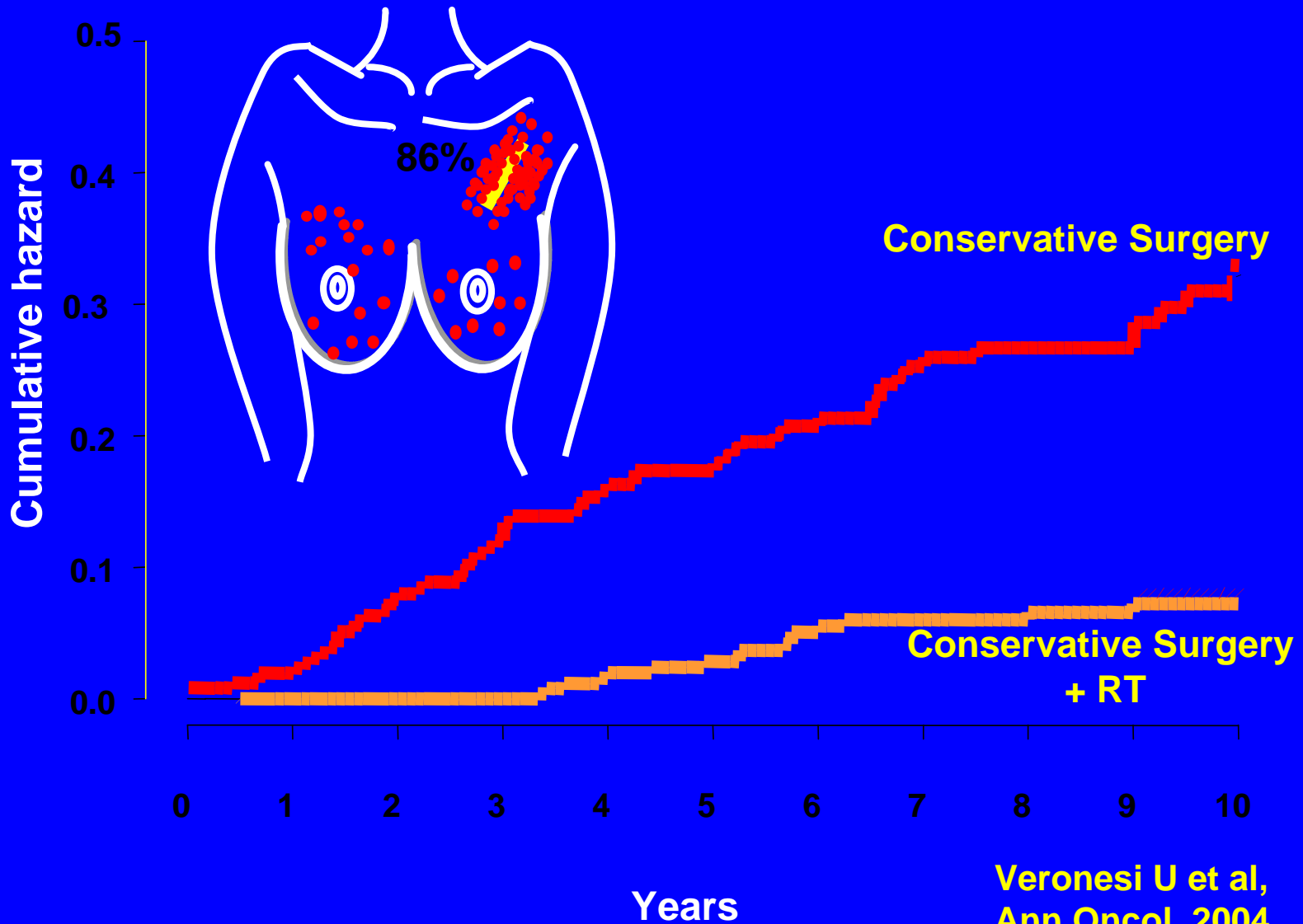


Table 2 Site of LR After BCT With and Without XRT

Study	No. of Patients	LR (%)		
		Tumor Bed	Elsewhere	
With XRT				
Yale University ⁵¹	1,152	44	6	
M.D. Anderson Cancer Center ⁵²	1,339	62	3.6	
Institute Curie ⁵³	519	46	5.8	
Switzerland ⁵⁴	1,593	79	2.4	
University of Pennsylvania ⁵⁵	1,093	74	1.7	
Princess Margaret, Ontario, Canada ⁵⁶	416	83	0.9	
JCRT, Boston ⁵⁷	974	79	2.8	
Paris, France ⁵⁸	528	59	4.2	
Milan, Italy ⁵⁹	299	85	0.6	
Without XRT				
Princess Margaret, Ontario, Canada ⁵⁶	421	86	3.5	
Milan, Italy ⁵⁹	280	86	2.9	
Total No. of Patients	9,396			
Average LR, %		71	3.1	

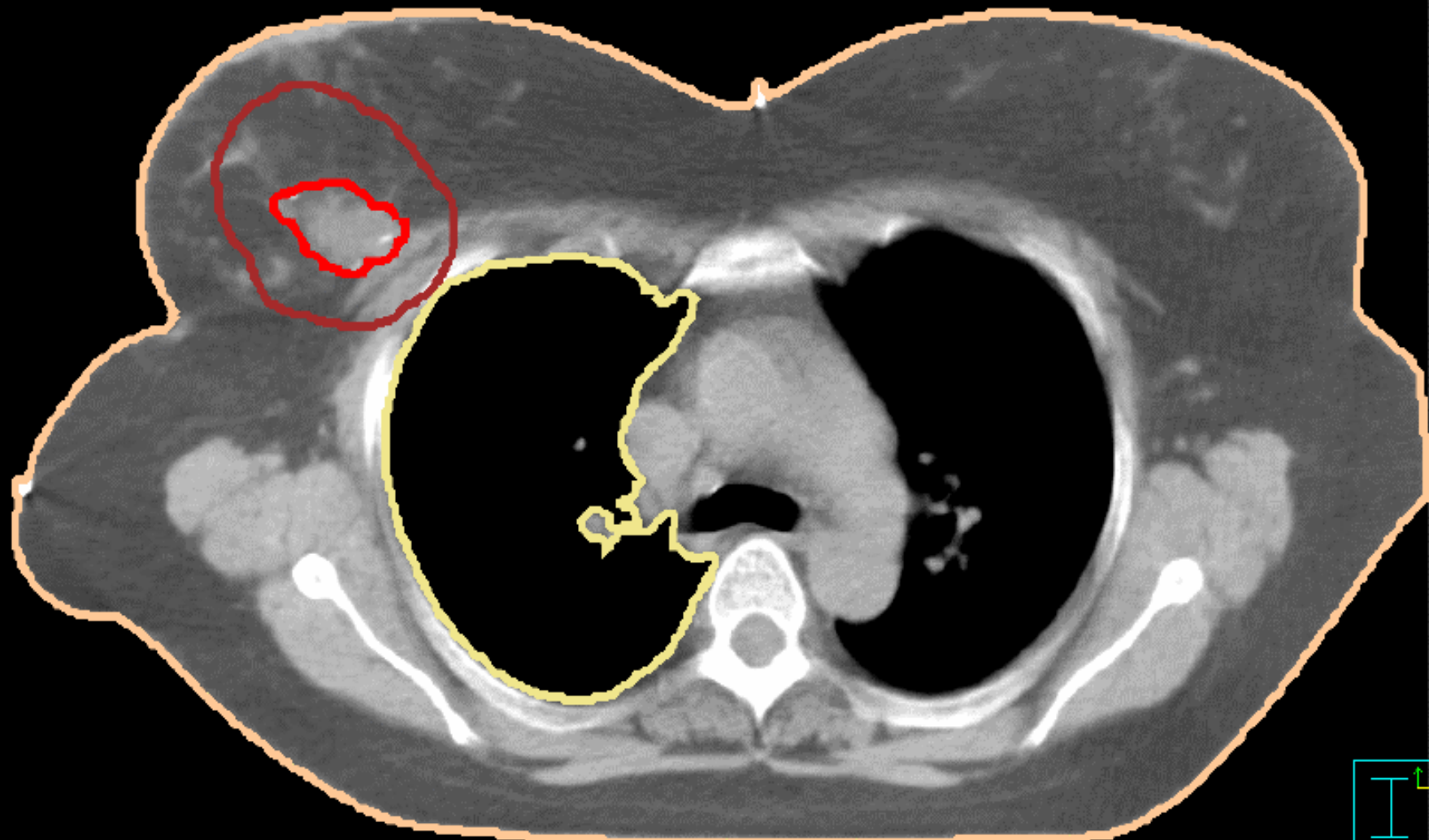
Abbreviations: LR, local recurrence; BCT, breast-conservation therapy; XRT, radiation therapy.

Partial Breast Irradiation Studies Exploring Reductions In Overall Treatment Time

- **Brachytherapy Trials**
 - Low dose rate studies (RTOG 95-17- Completed accrual)
 - High dose rate studies (RTOG 95-17 Completed accrual)
- **External Beam Radiotherapy Trials**
 - 3D conformal RT (RTOG 0319)
 - Conventional external beam RT (electrons)
 - Intraoperative RT (European Institute of Oncology)

Partial Breast Irradiation Target

- 1.5 cm Beyond Lumpectomy Cavity -



- Partial Breast Irradiation -

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Objectives -

- **Identify Patients With Minimal Risk Of Multicentric Disease (Avoid 'Elsewhere' Failures)**
- **Select Tumors With Low Probability Of Microscopic Extension Beyond 1-2 cm From Primary**
- **Avoid Controversy Associated With RT To Axilla**
- **Apply Optimal Mammographic Evaluation**

Breast MRI in the Evaluation of Eligibility for Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation

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OBJECTIVE. Eligibility for accelerated partial breast irradiation is generally determined by physical examination in conjunction with conventional imaging techniques such as mammography and breast sonography. MRI is recognized as a significant imaging tool in diagnosing breast cancer and has shown the ability to identify mammographically occult carcinoma. Our purpose was to retrospectively assess preoperative breast MRI examinations in women with early-stage breast cancer who were theoretically eligible for accelerated partial breast irradiation and to explore the use of MRI in selecting patients for this treatment.

MATERIALS AND METHODS. Seventy-nine patients with core needle biopsy-proven breast cancer, who were eligible candidates for breast-conserving surgery and accelerated partial breast irradiation, underwent bilateral breast MRI examinations. At review, the presence and location of occult tumor sites (detected on MRI only) were documented and subsequently correlated with pathology findings.

RESULTS. From 79 patients, a total of 126 suspicious areas, including the index tumors, were detected by MRI. Additional sites of cancer other than the index tumor were observed in 30 patients (38%). Of these, eight (10%) had an additional cancer in a different quadrant from the index tumor.

CONCLUSION. The treatment effect of whole-breast irradiation on microscopic tumor cells and on additional occult foci in other quadrants of the breast is lost with partial breast irradiation. Our results suggest that MRI before accelerated partial breast irradiation may be of benefit to patients to ensure they do not have multifocal or multicentric disease, remote from the lumpectomy bed.

Keywords: accelerated partial breast irradiation, breast carcinoma, MRI

TABLE 2: Patient Characteristics and Likelihood of Additional Malignant Foci^a

Characteristic	Patients			<i>p</i>
	Total No.	% Having Additional Foci	% Having Additional Foci in Quadrant Other Than Index Cancer	
All patients	79	38.0 (30/79)	10.1 (8/79)	
Age < 40 years	28	50.0 (14/28)	14.3 (4/28)	0.103
Age ≥ 40 years	51	31.4 (16/51)	7.8 (4/51)	0.444 ^b
High risk ^c	29	41.4 (12/29)	10.3 (3/29)	0.635
Average risk and no family history	50	36.0 (18/50)	10.0 (5/50)	1.000 ^b

Note—Numbers in parentheses are numbers of patients.

^aAs determined by final pathology.

^bCalculated using Fisher's exact test because of small expected values.

^cBased on family history of breast cancer (first-degree relative) or germline mutation.

Relationship of Breast Magnetic Resonance Imaging to Outcome After Breast-Conservation Treatment With Radiation for Women With Early-Stage Invasive Breast Carcinoma or Ductal Carcinoma in Situ

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Purpose

To determine the relationship of breast magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) to outcome after breast-conservation treatment (BCT) with radiation for women with early-stage invasive breast carcinoma or ductal carcinoma in situ.

Patients and Methods

A total of 756 women with early stage invasive breast carcinoma or ductal carcinoma in situ underwent BCT including definitive breast irradiation during 1992 to 2001. At the time of initial diagnosis and evaluation, routine breast imaging included conventional mammography. Of the 756 women, 215 women (28%) had also undergone a breast MRI study, and 541 women (72%) had not undergone a breast MRI study. The median follow-up after treatment was 4.6 years (range, 0.1 to 13.5 years).

Results

For the women with a breast MRI study compared with the women without a breast MRI study there were no differences in the 8-year rates of any local failure (3% v 4%, respectively; $P = .51$) or local-only first failure (3% v 4%, respectively; $P = .32$). There were also no differences between the two groups for the 8-year rates of overall survival (86% v 87%, respectively; $P = .51$), cause-specific survival (94% v 95%, respectively; $P = .63$), freedom from distant metastases (89% v 92%, respectively; $P = .16$), or contralateral breast cancer (6% v 6%, respectively; $P = .39$).

Conclusion

The use of a breast MRI study at the time of initial diagnosis and evaluation was not associated with an improvement in outcome after BCT with radiation.

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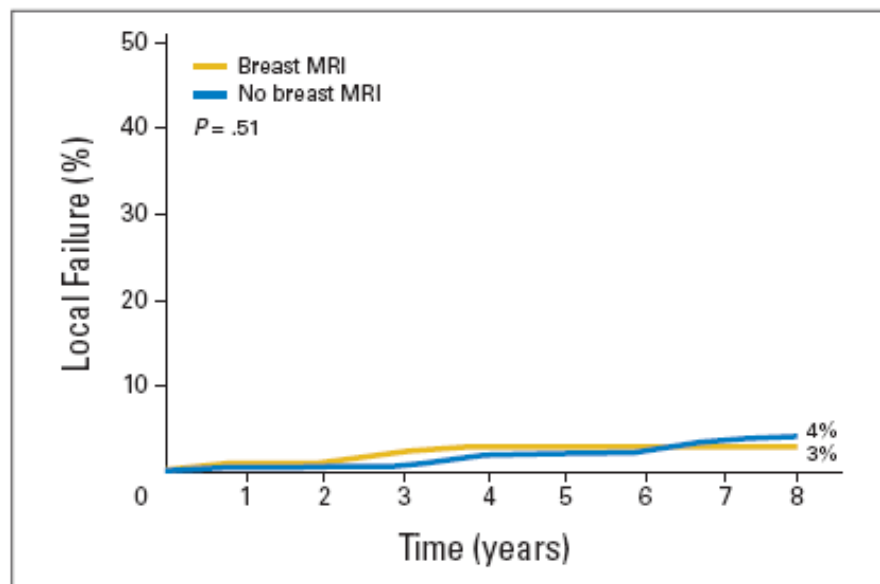
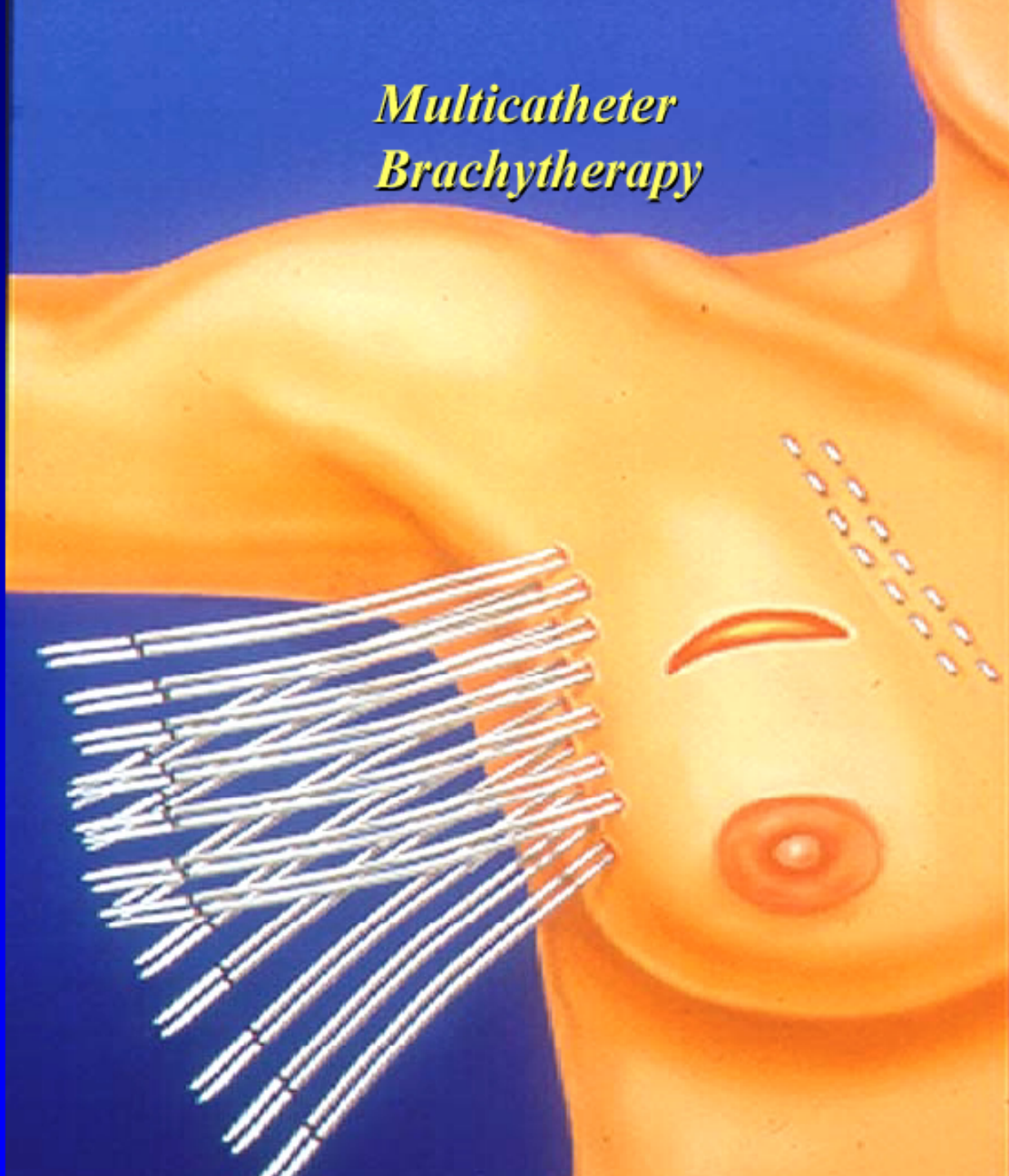


Fig 1. Curves for any local failure according to the use of breast magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) at the time of initial diagnosis and evaluation for breast conservation treatment with radiation.

Partial Breast Irradiation Techniques

- **Interstitial Brachytherapy**
- **MammoSite Balloon Brachytherapy Catheter**
- **3D Conformal External Beam Irradiation**

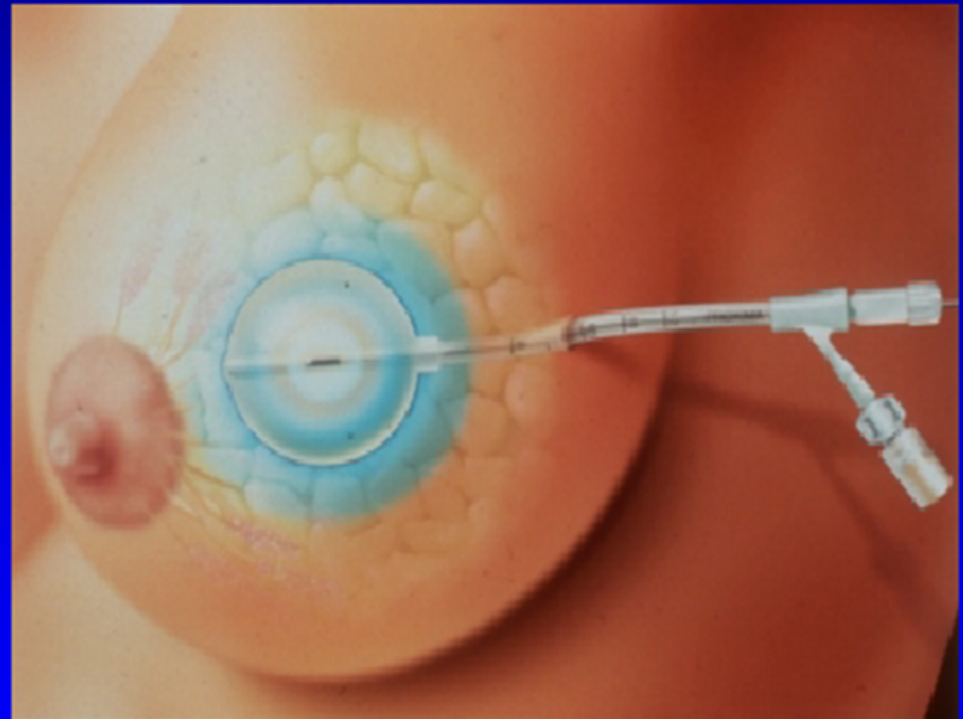
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Brachytherapy*

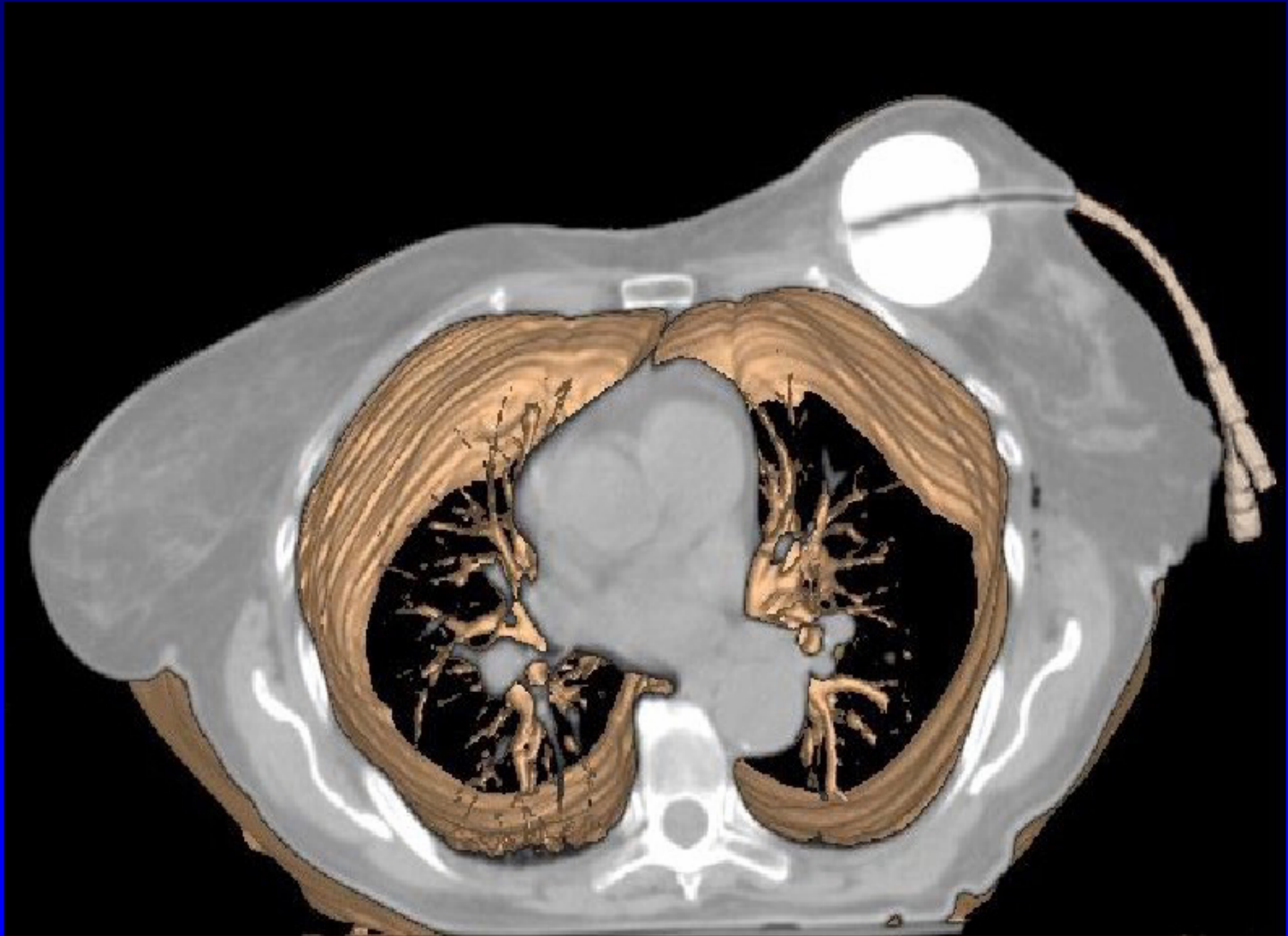


Balloon Catheter

‘MammoSite’

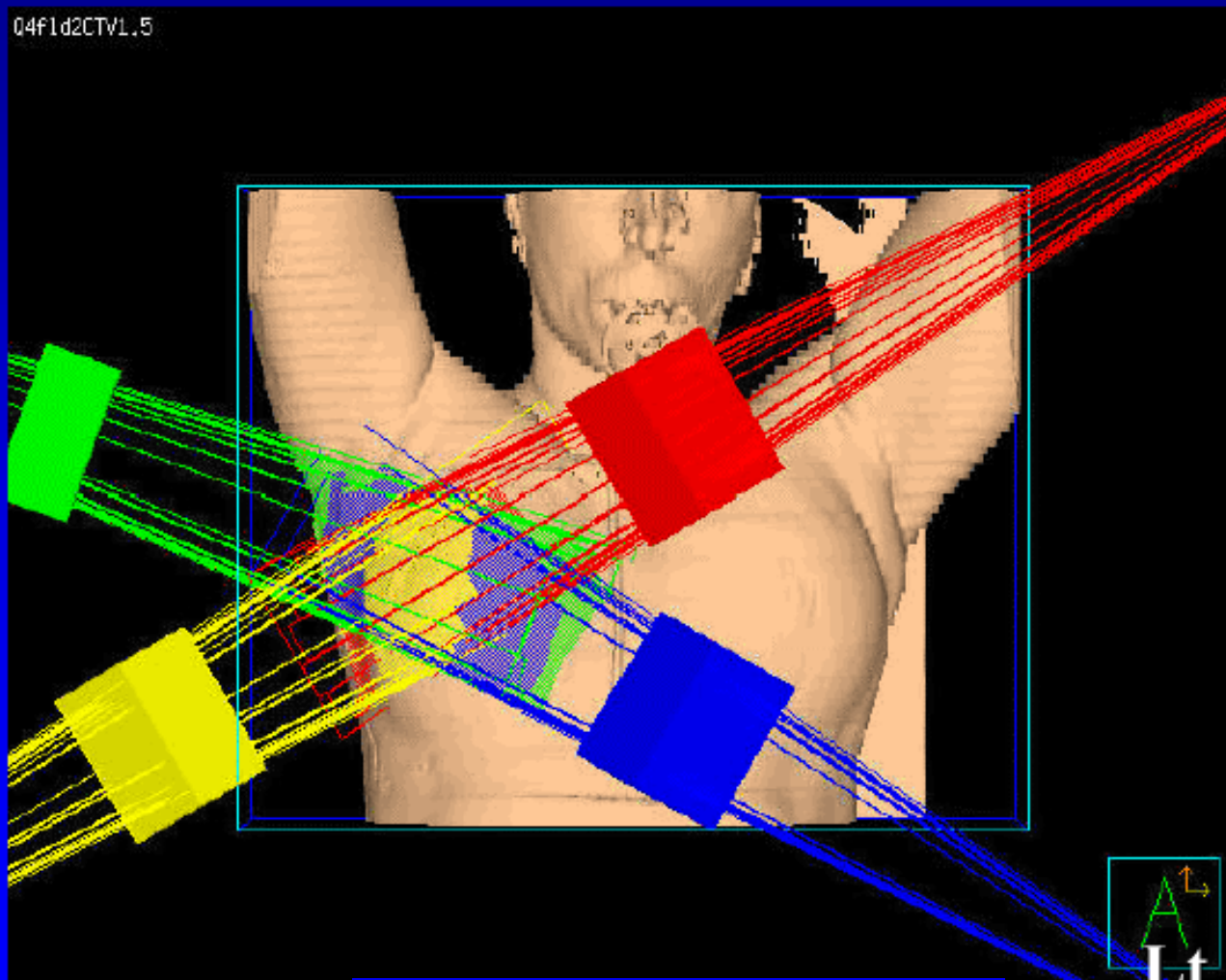
- MammoSite device
- Inflatable Balloon Placed In Lumpectomy Cavity At Surgery
- Remote Afterloading
- 3400 cGy (340 cGy X 10) in 5 days
- 43 Patients Treated
- *FDA approval May 2002*





Partial Breast Irradiation

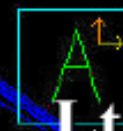
- 3D Conformal External Beam Irradiation -



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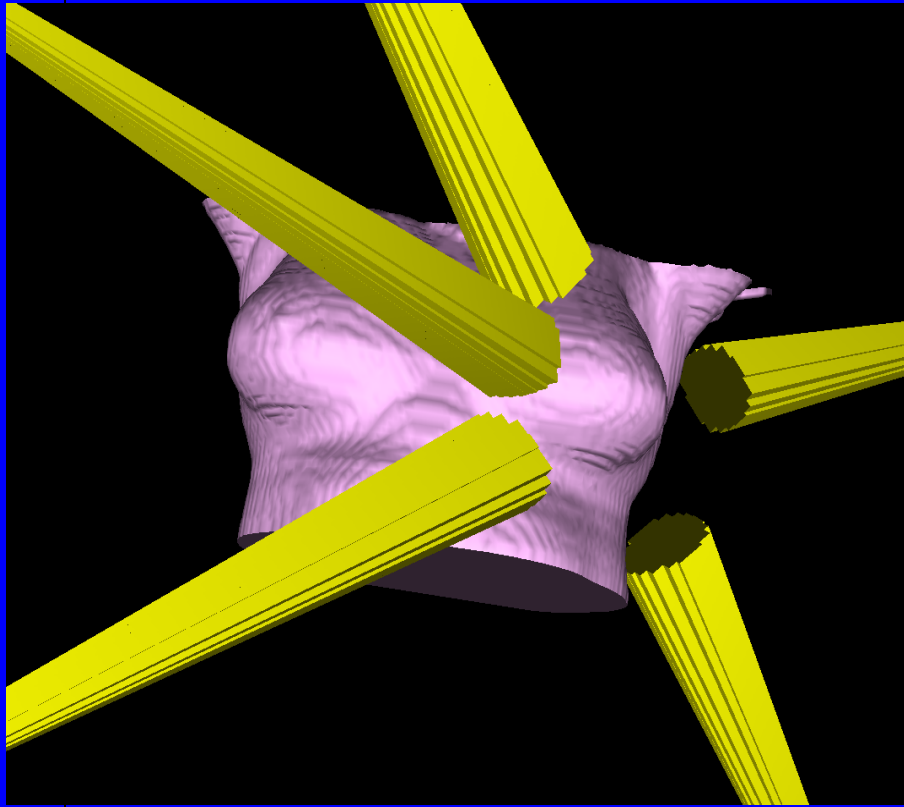
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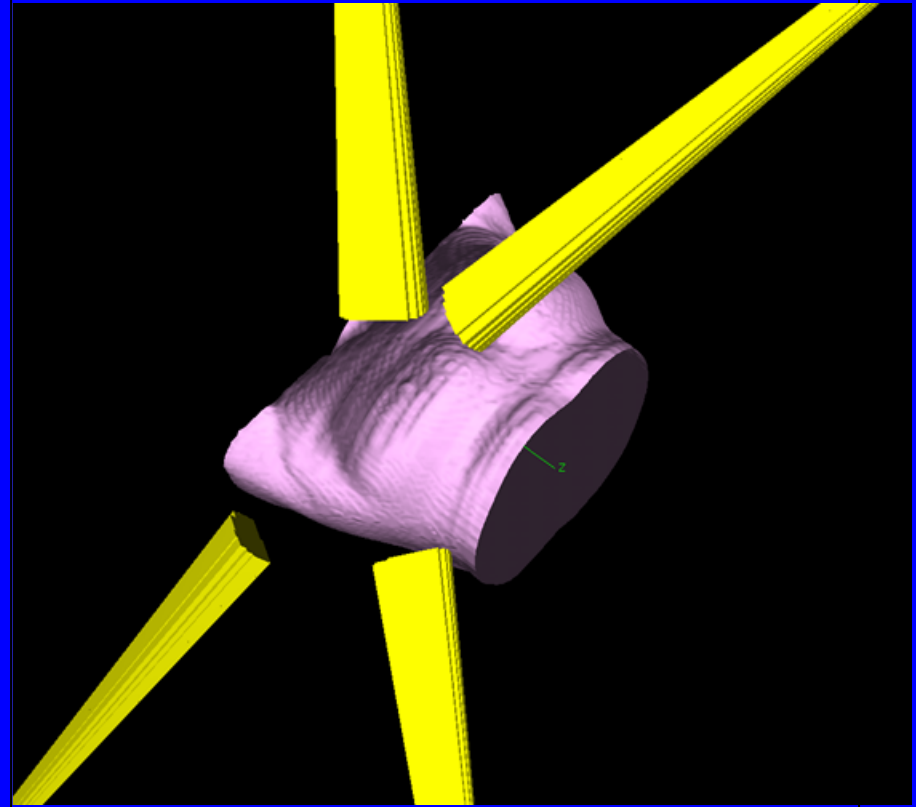
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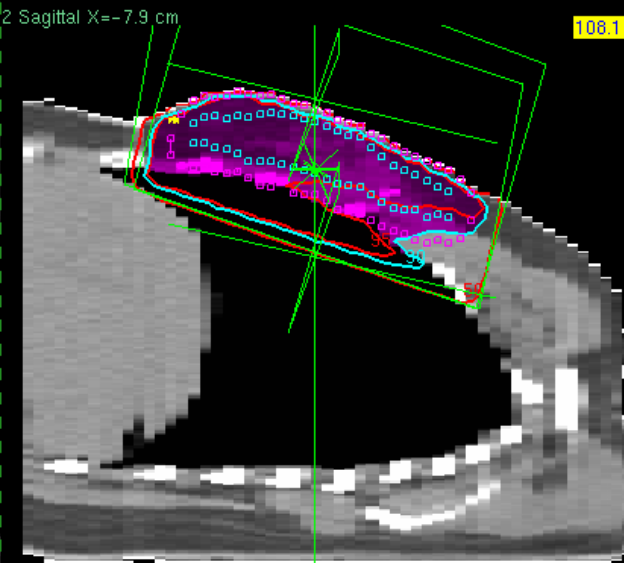
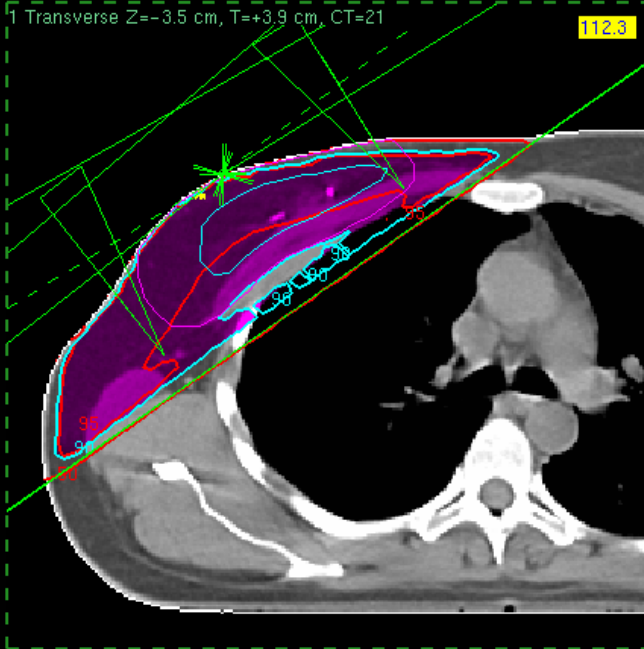
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- Mammella dx



Percent Dose



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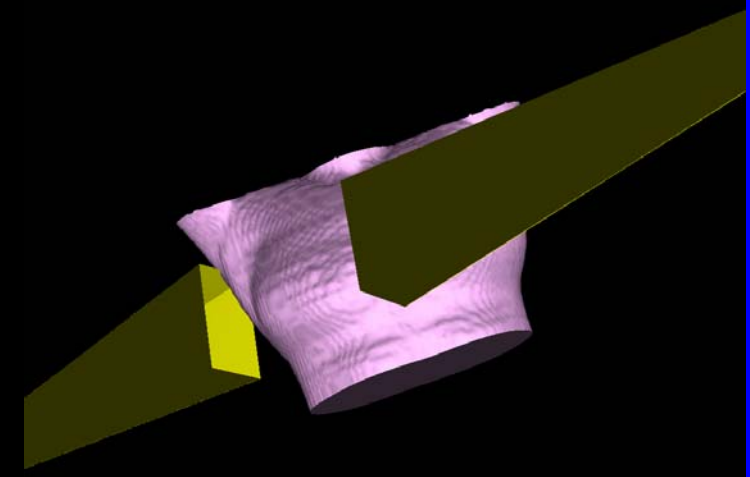
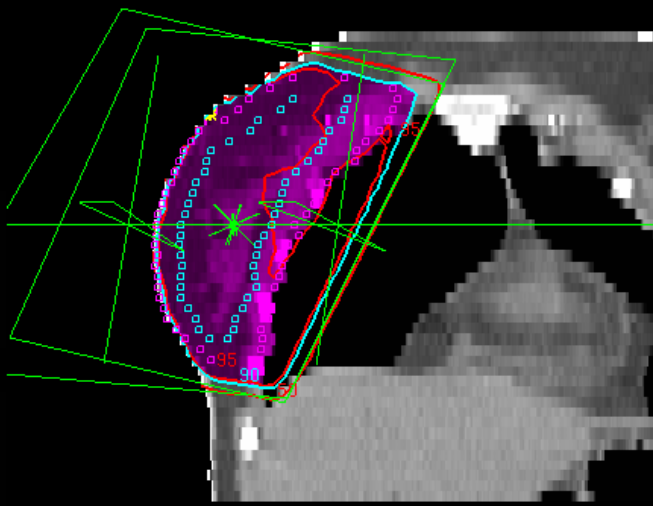
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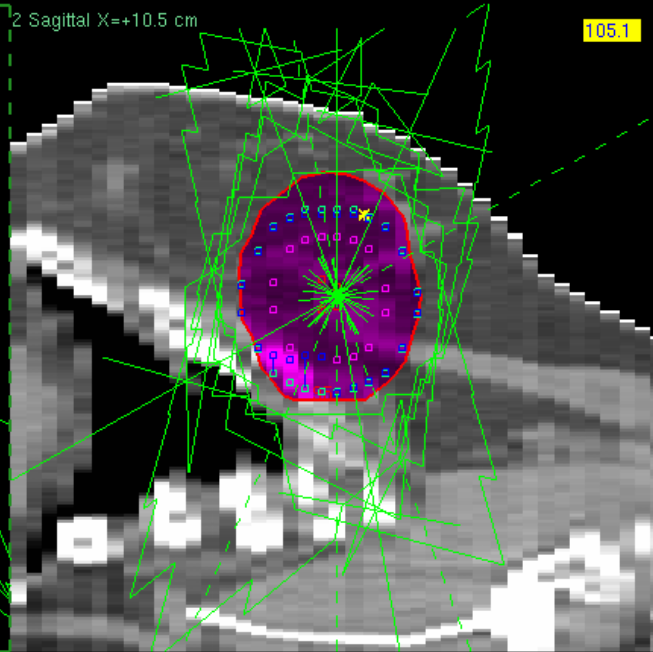
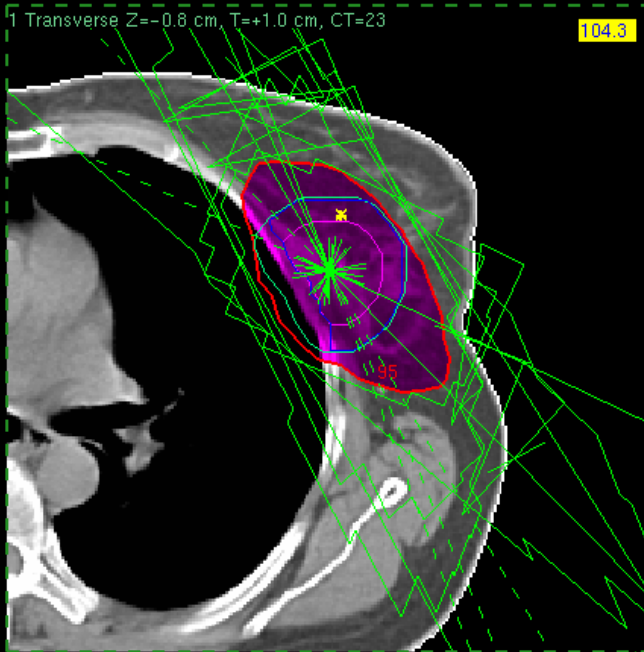
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Percent Dose

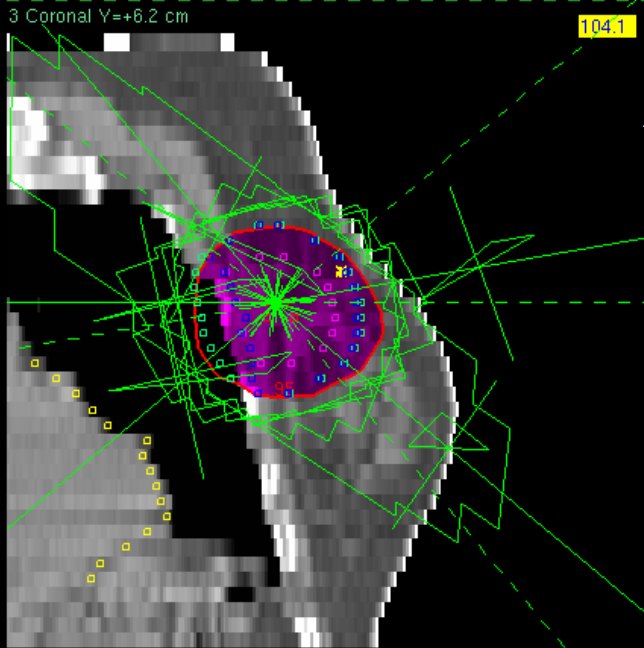


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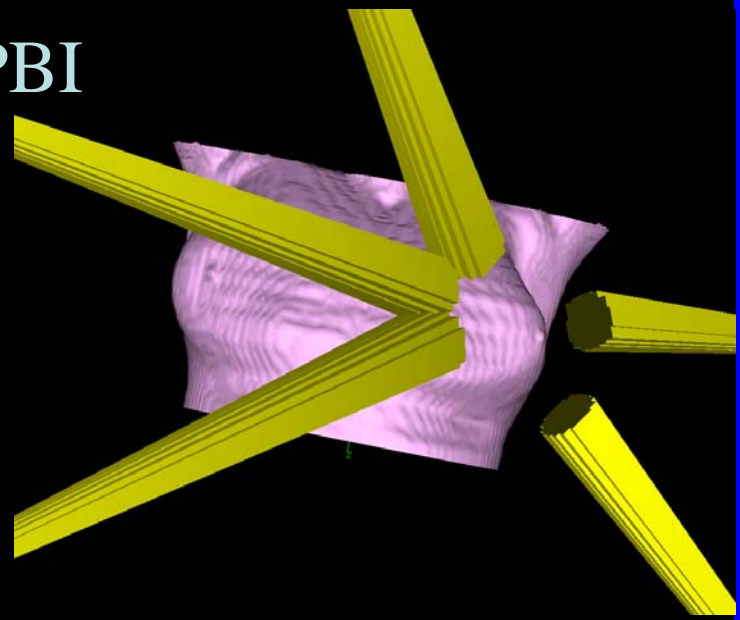
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APBI



Sagittal

Transverse

BREAST CONSERVING THERAPY WITH LUMPECTOMY PLUS PARTIAL BREAST IRRADIATION

Institution	# Pts.	Median F/U (mos)	Scheme (cGy)	Total dose (cGy)	% LR	% Good- Excellent cosmesis
Oncologic Inst. Budapest	41	17	520 x 7 HDR	3640	2,4	n.s.
London Cancer Centre Ontario	39	20	372 x 10 HDR	3720	2,6	n.s.
W. Beaumont Hospital	79	48	340 x 10 HDR	3400	1,0	98
University of Florence	90	27	50-60 cGy/h LDR	5000	4,4	n.s.
W. Beaumont Hospital	120	85	52 cGy/h LDR	4992	1	98
W. Beaumont Hospital	91	24	385 x 10 3D CRT	3850	0	100
New York University	47	17	600 x 5 3D CRT	3000	0	100

Intra-Operative PBI Techniques

- European Institute of Oncology
– *Veronesi et al*

IORT MOBILE ACCELERATOR

- **IORT**
dedicated electron
accelerator
- **Conventional OR (no
shielding needed)**
- **Mobile and easily
docked**
- **Electron beams of 4
different energies: 3, 5,
7, 9 MeV**



Intra-Operative PBI Techniques

- University College London
– *Vaidya et al*



A clinical photograph showing a surgical procedure on a patient's chest. A large, dark, spherical applicator is being inserted into a deep, open surgical wound. The wound is surrounded by bright red, vascularized tissue. A yellow surgical instrument is visible on the right side of the wound, and a thin metal wire is visible on the left. The patient's skin is light-colored, and a small, dark, rounded object is visible on the skin to the left of the wound. The overall scene is brightly lit, likely by a surgical lamp.

**Applicator
sphere in
tumour bed**

Ongoing studies of partial breast irradiation after conservative surgery

Criteri	Targit	ELIOT	IMPORT	RAPID	NSABP/ RTOG	GEC/ ESTRO	IRMA
N° pz	2232	2000	2100	2128	3000	1170	2400
Età	>40	>48	>50	>40	>18	>40	>49
Dimensione T mm	<30	<25	<20	<30	<30	<30	<30
Numero N+	0	0	0	0	0-3N+	0-1N+	0-3N+
Grado	1-3	1-3	1-2	1-2	1-3	1-3	1-3
Distanza margini mm	negativi	>10	>2	Negativi	Negativi	>2 invasivi >5 CIS	>2
Tecnica RT	Periop. RX 50 KV	Periop. Elettroni 6-12 MeV	Postop. IMRT	Postop.RT 3D	Brachiterapia Mammosite RT 3D	Brachit. a basso o alto rateo di dose	Postop.RT 3D
Dose fraz.	20 Gy 1 fraz	21 Gy 1 fraz		38,5 Gy 10 fraz big	RTE 38,5 Gy in 10 f big	Basso DR 50 Gy	38,5 Gy 10 fraz big

PROTOCOLLO DI STUDIO

**CARCINOMA DELLA MAMMELLA
A BASSO RISCHIO DI RECIDIVA LOCALE:**

**IRRADIAZIONE PARZIALE E ACCELERATA
CON RADIOTERAPIA CONFORMAZIONALE
TRIDIMENSIONALE (3D-CRT)**

VS.

**RADIOTERAPIA STANDARD
DOPO CHIRURGIA CONSERVATIVA**

(STUDIO DI FASE III)

IL PROGETTO I.R.MA. del PRI ER

Innovazioni nella Radioterapia della Mammella

IRRADIAZIONE PARZIALE

I FASE: STUDIO IRMA 1

Studio randomizzato di confronto

Irradiazione parziale accelerata
della mammella vs. RT
convenzionale

II FASE: STUDIO IRMA 2

Valutazione controllata della
Radioterapia intraoperatoria (IORT)
vs. RT convenzionale

ENDPOINTS

- *Controllo locale*
- *Risultato estetico*
- *Complicanze*

I.R.M.A. 1

VALUTAZIONE PREOPERATORIA DI ELEGGIBILITA':

Pazienti di età non inferiore a 49 anni; cT1 o cT2 < 3 cm di diametro massimo;

suscettibili di intervento chirurgico conservativo;

assenza di microcalcificazioni o altre neoformazioni ad una distanza > 4 cm. dalla neoplasia primitiva.

CHIRURGIA:

Chirurgia conservativa

(inclusa ampia resezione mammaria e nodulectomia

+ biopsia del linfonodo sentinella e/o dissezione ascellare)

CRITERI DI ELEGGIBILITA'

- ✓ Età > 49 anni
- ✓ Carcinoma invasivo della mammella (+/- ca. in situ concomitante)
- ✓ Stadio pT 1 –2 (diametro < 3 cm) pN0- N1 M0
- ✓ Lesioni unifocali
- ✓ Margini di resezione chirurgica indenni da neoplasia (≥ 2 mm)
- ✓ Cavità tumorale delimitata da **clips chirurgiche**.
- ✓ Assenza di metastasi a distanza
- ✓ Assenza di precedenti trattamenti radianti sulla mammella

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Phase III

Stage I-II breast cancer treated by lumpectomy

Randomization

WBI

- 45Gy/18 fr-50Gy/25 fr-50.4Gy/28 fr
to the whole breast
optional boost to 60 -66.6 Gy

PBI

- 38.5 Gy in 3.85 Gy fr. bid
3D-CRT

Endpoints Comparison

NSABP B39/ RTOG 0413

- Primary:
 - Ipsilateral breast tumor recurrence
- Secondary:
 - Distant disease-free survival
 - Overall survival
 - QoL: Cosmesis, fatigue, symptoms, burden of care

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- Primary:
 - Ipsilateral breast tumor recurrence
- Secondary:
 - Recurrence free survival
 - Distant disease-free survival
 - Overall survival
 - QoL: Cosmesis, burden of care:



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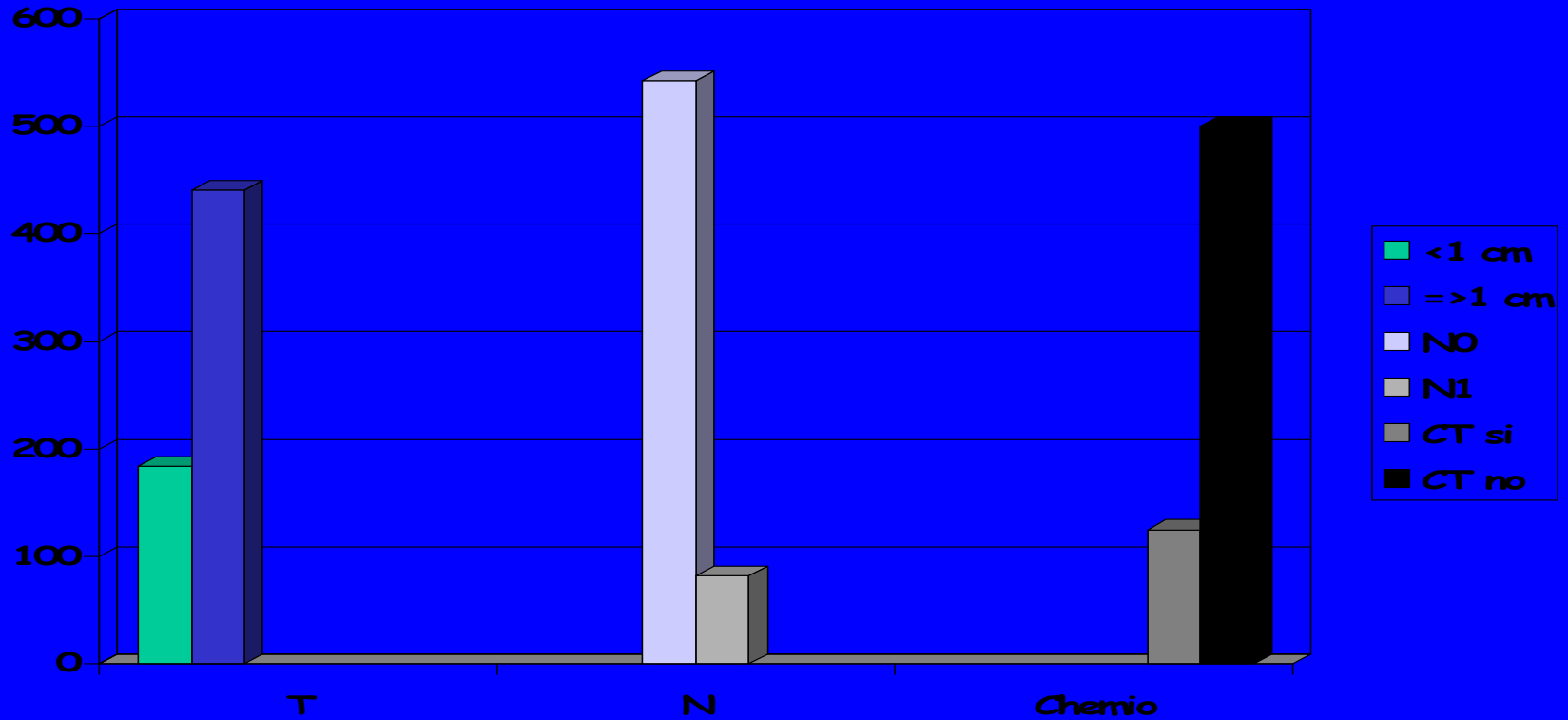
21/32 Centers

IRMA trial

- May, 2007 - open for accrual
- 12th September, 2009
 - 32 centers (21 have started enrolling pts, 11 are in dummy-run phase)
 - 634 patients accrued (316 PBI and 318 WBI)

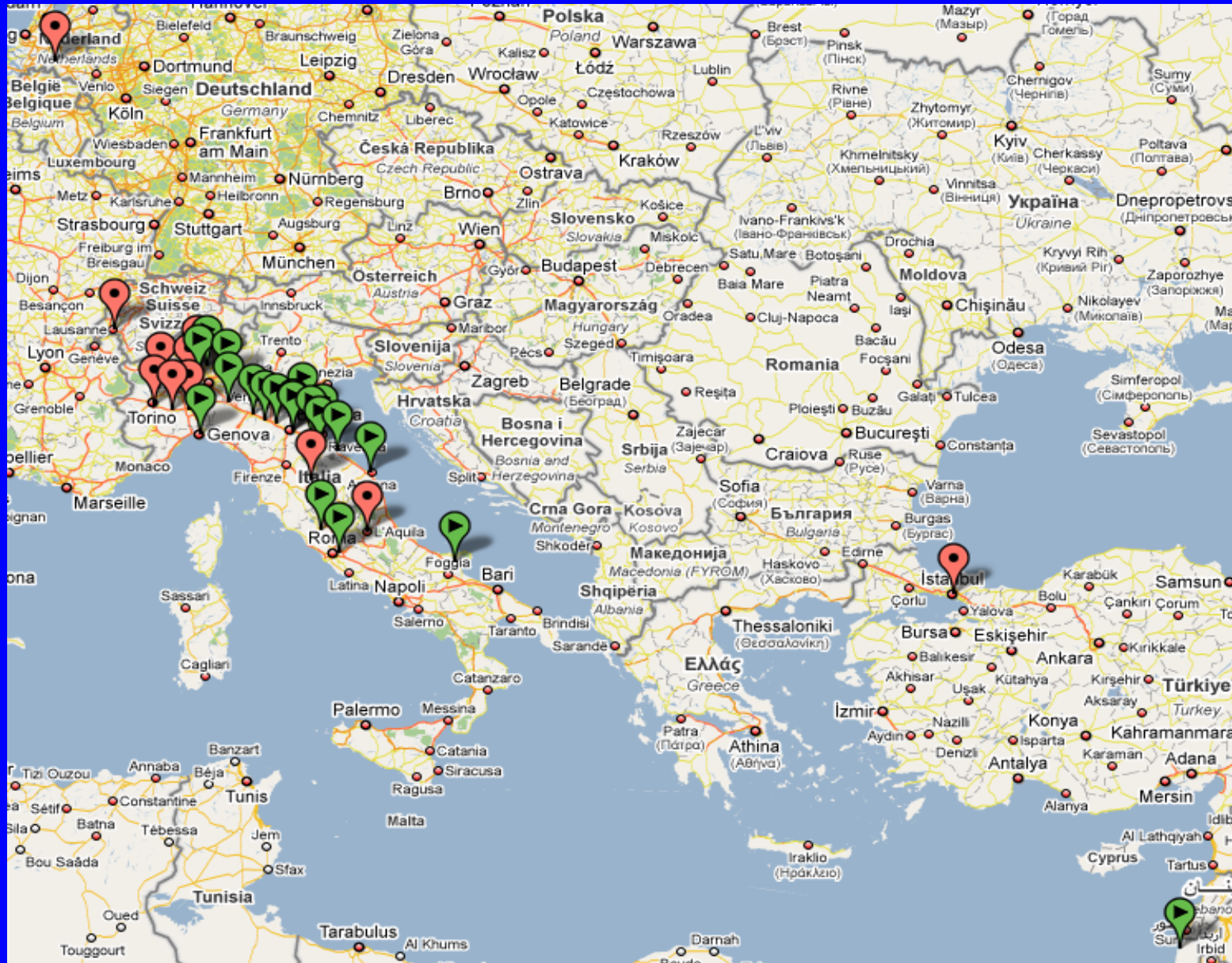
I.R.MA.: Caratteristiche dei casi reclutati

N° casi



Distribuzione in frequenza in base a T, N, terapia medica

Fase di espansione !.. “joint analysis” ?....



EDITORIAL

ACCELERATED PARTIAL BREAST IRRADIATION: CAUTION AND CONCERN FROM AN ASTRO TASK FORCE

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SELECTION OF PATIENTS FOR APBI

The Task Force further defines “suitable,” “cautionary,” and “unsuitable” groups for APBI. Consider the language carefully. All three groups are in quotation marks throughout the statement, emphasizing the lack of Phase III data. APBI is considered “acceptable” (outside of a clinical trial) for the “suitable” group.

Consider further the “suitable” group. In brief, these are the most favorable patients, over age 60, with pathologically negative nodes, T1 primary cancers, positive estrogen receptor status (ER), absence of lymphovascular space invasion (LVSI), widely negative margins (>2 mm), and no multicentricity. They might have added HER2-negative, although they did not. These are the patients who form the majority of those treated in the Phase I/II trials quoted and also represent the majority of the 3,400 patients entered into the RTOG 0413/NSABP B39 trial. Note the *exclusion* of pure ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS) from the “suitable” group because of the paucity of even Phase I/II data regarding these patients, although they were candidates for the RTOG/NSABP trial.

For the “cautionary” group, the Task Force states that any *one* of the following criteria should “invoke caution and concern” when considering APBI: age <60, T2 primary disease, pure DCIS <3 cm, close margins (<2 mm), focal LVSI, multifocal or multicentric disease, invasive lobular carcinoma, or ER negativity.

“Unsuitable” patients were those with *any* of the following criteria: tumor size >3 cm, positive margins, any positive lymph nodes, no axillary surgery, extensive LVSI, multicentricity, DCIS >3cm, or the presence of a BRCA1 or 2 mutation. Note that if the patient received neoadjuvant systemic therapy, she fell into the “unsuitable” group, even if downstaged by that therapy. “Unsuitable” patients should *not* receive APBI outside the context of a clinical trial.

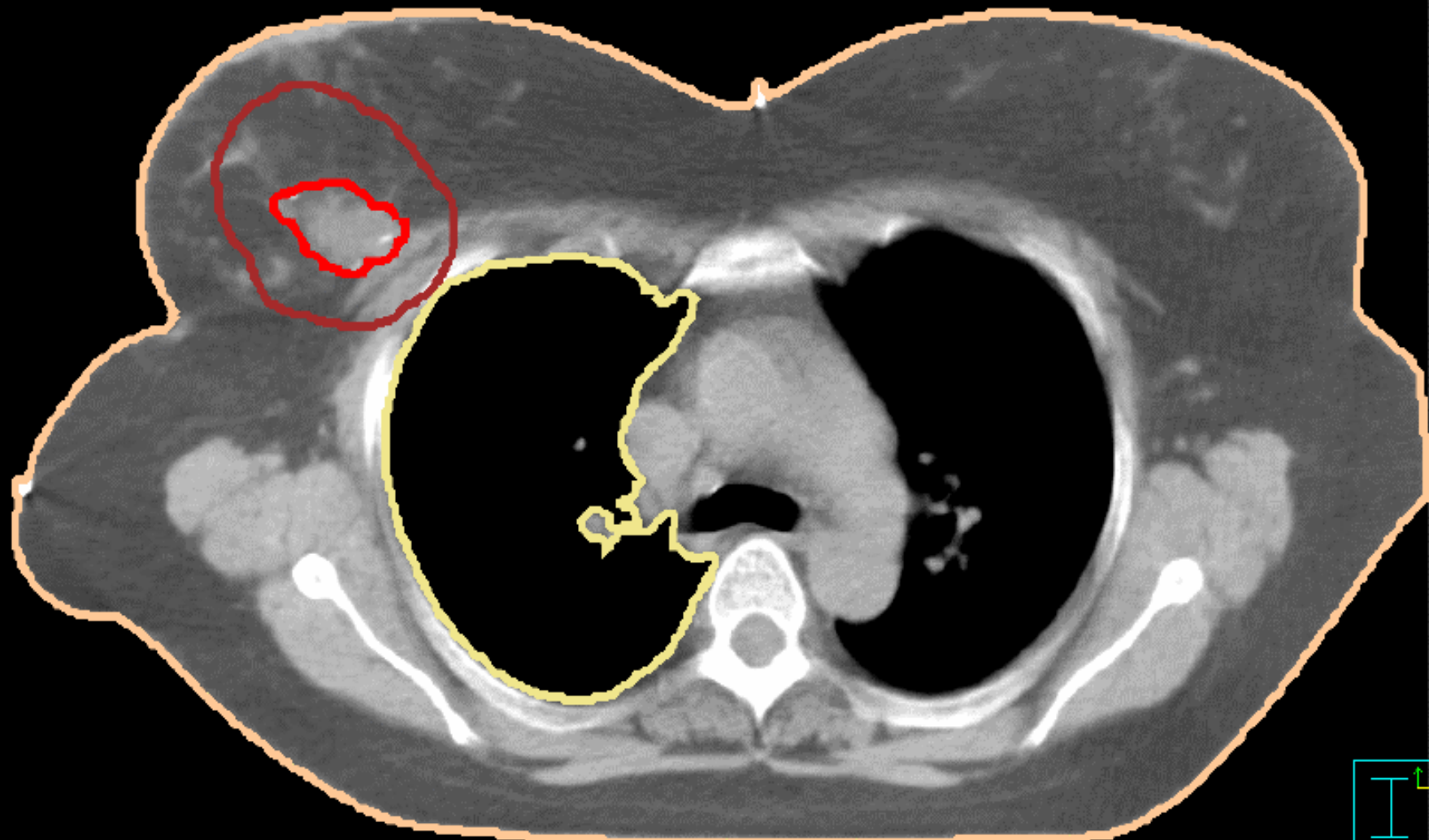
CONCLUSIONS

Data from the RTOG/NSABP trial will likely not be available for close to ten years. In the interim, the ASTRO Task Force has given us a well thought out statement with guidelines on the use of APBI outside the context of a clinical trial. To reiterate, “suitable” patients are generally older women with biologically less aggressive disease. There should be a lot of “caution and concern” if offering APBI to the “cautionary and concern” group. The “unsuitable” group is just that for the moment. As part of BCT, WBI in a conventional course of 6-1/2 to 7 weeks of radiotherapy, 180 - 200 cGy per day, remains the gold standard. Patients should be so informed. Other approaches include hypofractionated WBI, such as the Canadian and British programs we have mentioned, or even lumpectomy alone in appropriately selected patients. These alternatives at present are better supported by available data than APBI, inasmuch as Phase III trials with 5- to 10-year follow-up have been reported. It is to be hoped that these options are sufficient to insure the availability of BCT to all women who desire it and are deemed appropriate candidates by their physicians.

PBI is still an experimental approach. Pts., especially if at high risk of local recurrence, should receive PBI only in the context of clinical trials

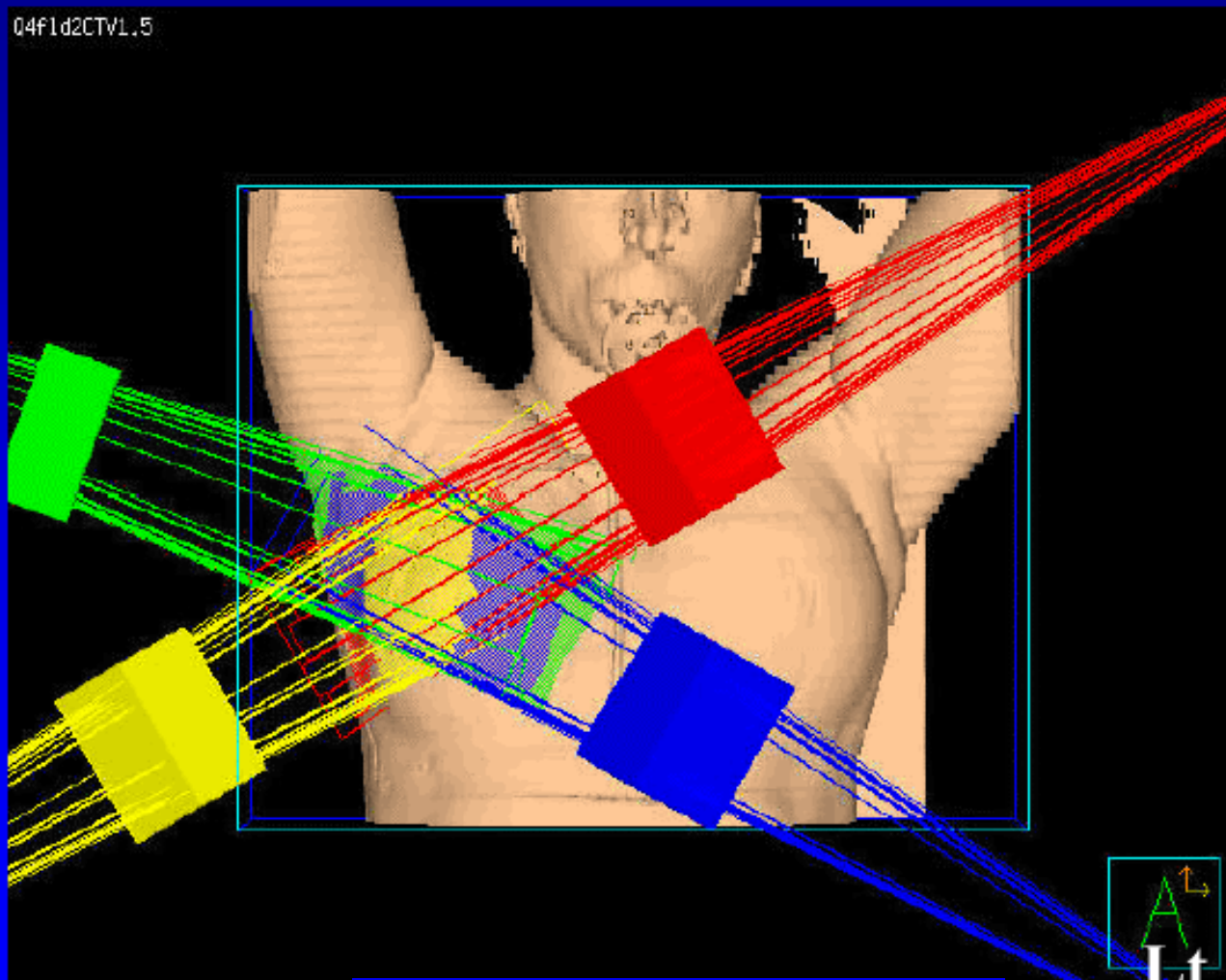
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- 1.5 cm Beyond Lumpectomy Cavity -



Partial Breast Irradiation

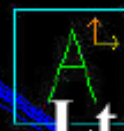
- 3D Conformal External Beam Irradiation -



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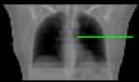
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2 Sagittal X=+10.5 cm

Sagittal



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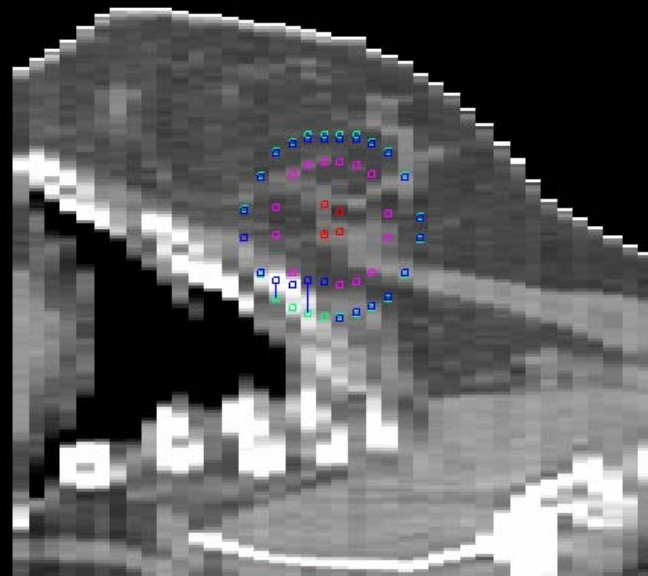
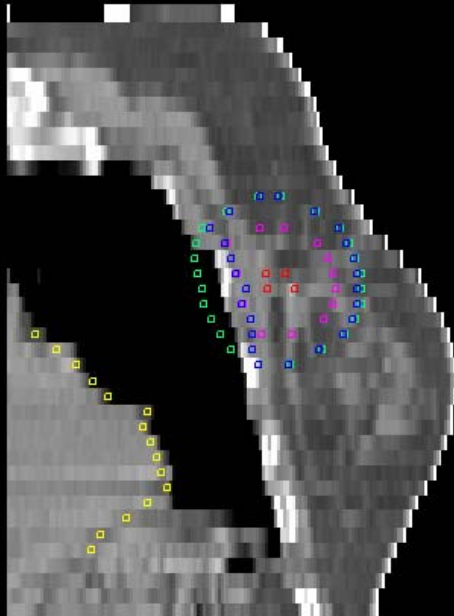


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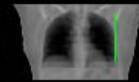
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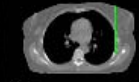
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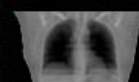
$CTV = GTV (clips) + 1,5 \text{ cm}$

$PTV = CTV + 1 \text{ cm}$

Sagittal



Coronal



Protocollo	Constraint e assicurazione qualità della distribuzione di Dose	
<i>PTV valutazione</i>	Almeno 90% Volume riceve il 90% Dose	Nessun punto > 120 % Dose
<i>Polmone</i>	30% Dose a meno del 15% del Volume	
<i>Cuore</i>	M.dx: 5% Dose a meno del 5% del Volume	M.sn: 5% Dose a meno del 40% del Volume
<i>Mammella ipsilaterale</i>	100% della Dose a meno del 35% del volume	50% della Dose a meno del 60% del volume
<i>Tiroide</i>	Nessun punto > 3 % Dose	
<i>Mammella controlaterale</i>	Nessun punto > 3 % Dose	

DVH OAR entro $\pm 5\%$ dei valori specificati



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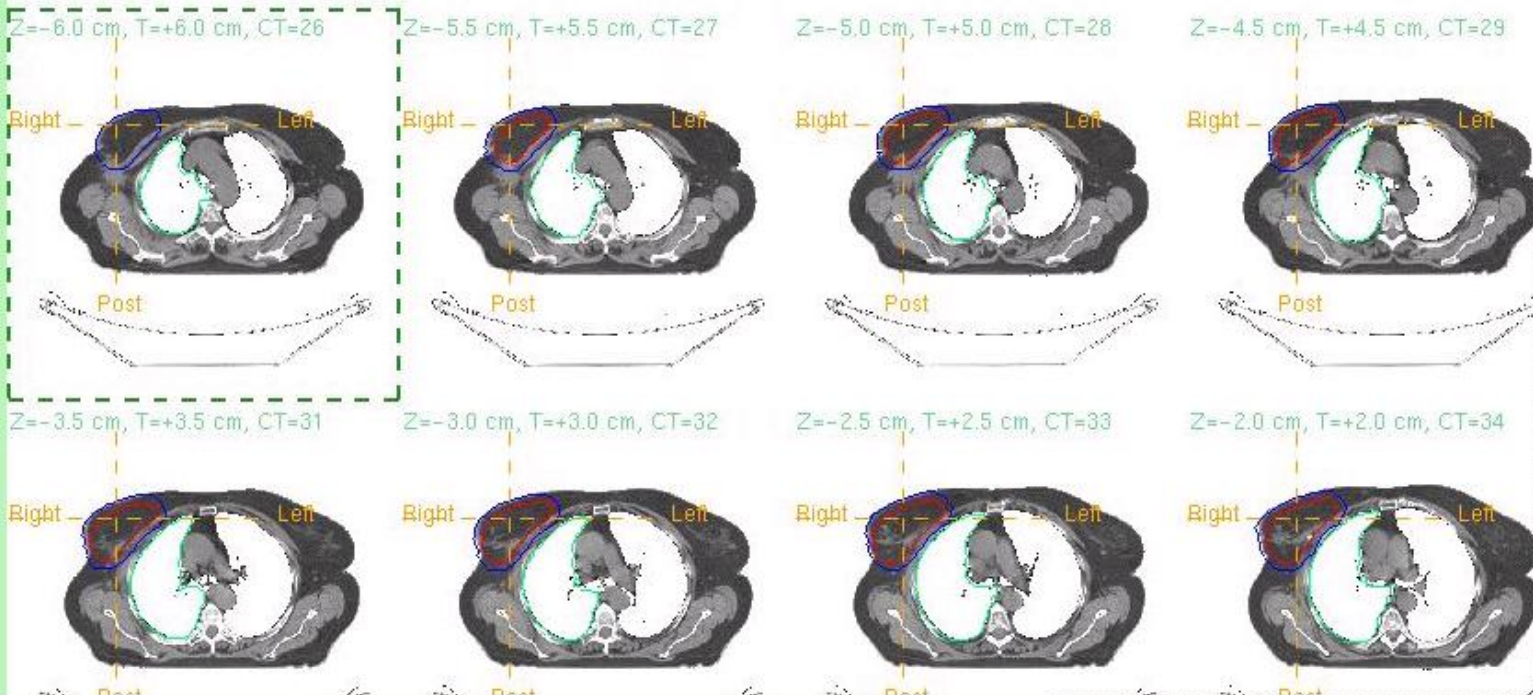


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Section: immagini CT con reperi, volumi, dosi

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Eligibility Criteria Comparison (selected)

NSABP B39/ RTOG 0413

- Stage 0, I, II breast cancer
- DCIS or invasive adenocarcinoma
- Tumor size ≤ 3 cm (unifocal) N-0, N-1 (≤ 3 positive nodes)
- Negative margins (NSABP)
- Life expectancy of at least 10 years
- **MUST** be randomized within 42 days of last breast/axillary surgery
- Lumpectomy/whole breast ratio on CT $\leq 30\%$

IRMA trial

- Stage I, II breast cancer
- Invasive adenocarcinoma
- Tumor size ≤ 3 cm (unifocal) N-0, N-1 (≤ 3 positive nodes)
- Negative margins (≥ 2 mm)
- Life expectancy of at least 10 years
- Randomization takes place before RT , within 12 weeks of last breast/axillary surgery or > 2 weeks after adjuvant chemotherapy
- Lumpectomy/whole breast ratio on CT $\leq 30\%$

Method Comparison

NSABP B39/ RTOG 0413

- Sample size - 3000 patients
- Projected accrual 2.5 (4,6) years
- Randomization stratified by
 - Stage (DCIS, node neg, node pos)
 - Age (less than 50, 50+)
 - ER-negative, ER-positive
 - Chemotherapy intention

Rigorous Q/A for PBI methods:
rapid review for first case, timely
review for next 4.

IRMA Trial

- Sample size - 2400 patients
- Projected accrual 5 years
- Randomization stratified by
 - Stage (T1-T2, N0 - N1)
 - Chemotherapy intention

Rigorous Q/A for PBI method:
rapid review for first case,
timely review for next 3 and
random every 30 randomized
patients.

Outcome: ricaduta locale a 5 anni

Radioterapia standard	Radioterapia parziale è considerata non inferiore alla standard se l'incidenza delle ricadute locali è:	N° pazienti per braccio
2%	<3%	2424
3%	<4.5%	1600
4%	<6%	1187
5%	<7.5%	940
6%	<9%	775
7%	<10.5%	657
8%	<12%	569
9%	<13.5%	500

Alfa=0.05 Potenza=0.80

IRMA trial

- March, 2007 - open for accrual
- 26th August, 2009
 - 28 centers (16 have started enrolling pts, 12 are in dummy-run phase)
 - 736 patients accrued (366 PBI and 370 WBI)

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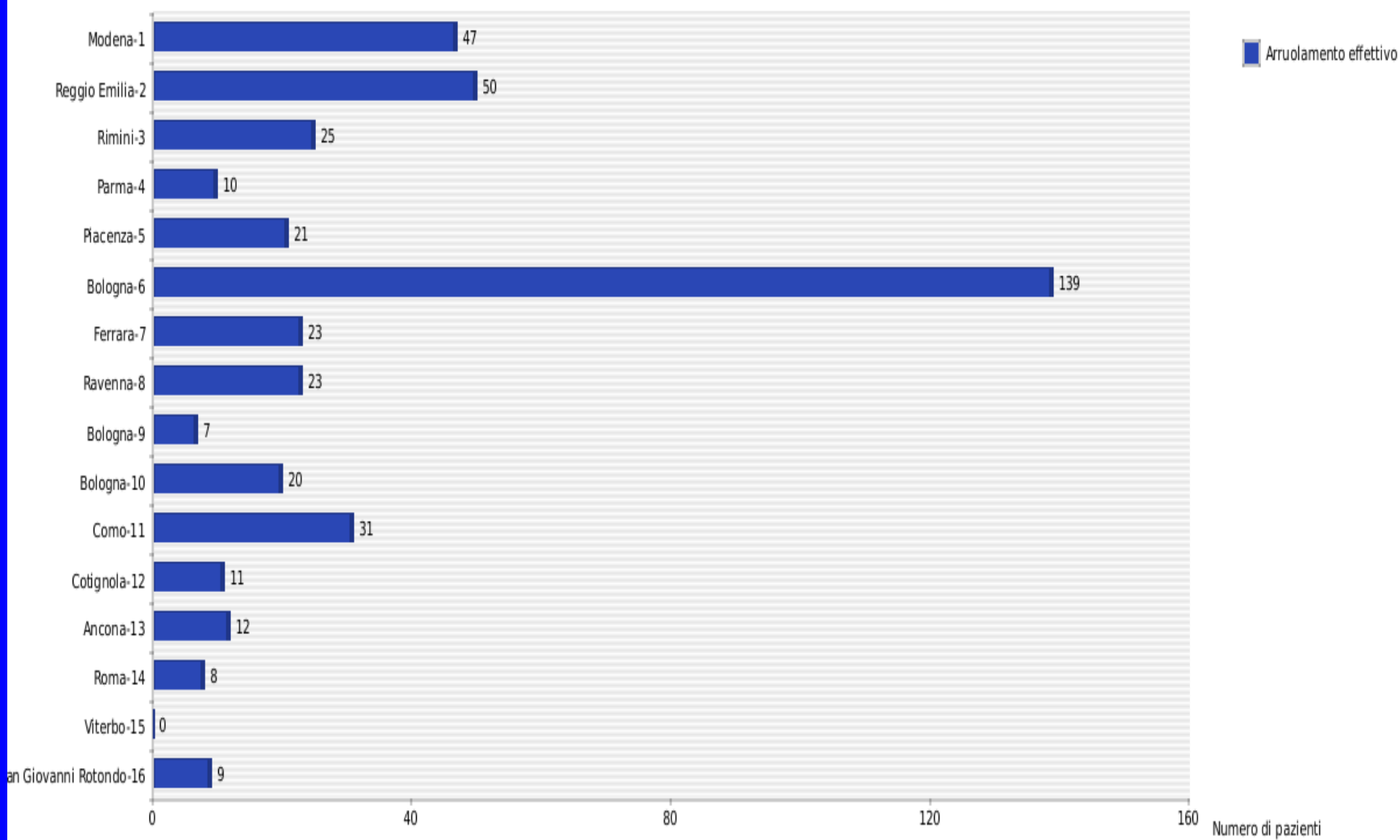
CONCLUSIONI

- **Implementare un modello di introduzione controllata delle nuove tecnologie nella pratica clinica, nel contesto della rete nazionale dei Centri di Radioterapia**
- **Migliorare la collaborazione tra i Centri di Radioterapia elevando lo standard complessivo del trattamento locale del tumore della mammella**
- **Ridurre il rischio che il trattamento conservativo sia sottoutilizzato**
- **Ridurre la durata della RT nel trattamento conservativo del tumore della mammella**
- **Migliorare la qualità di vita delle pazienti**

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						i	bi	
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Divisione universitaria di radioterapia	Novara	contattato		---	---	---	---	---
A.O. S. Giovanni Battista	Torino	contattato		---	---	---	---	---
Azienda Ospedaliera Treviglio	Treviglio	contattato		---	---	---	---	---
A.O. Macchi	Varese	contattato		---	---	---	---	---
				totale		436	216	220

Arruolamento effettivo irma

Lista centri



Anno	Mese	Pazienti arruolati/mese	Arruolamento effettivo
2007	Mar	1	1
2007	Apr	10	11
2007	Mag	17	28
2007	Giu	19	47
2007	Lug	19	66
2007	Ago	22	88
2007	Set	20	108
2007	Ott	23	131
2007	Nov	31	162
2007	Dic	19	181
2008	Gen	21	202
2008	Feb	43	245
2008	Mar	18	263
2008	Apr	25	288
2008	Mag	27	315
2008	Giu	19	334
2008	Lug	27	361
2008	Ago	16	377
2008	Set	19	396
2008	Ott	17	413
2008	Nov	23	436

21 Gy in-out trial

31-12-2003

Number of patients: 590

(Orecchia, comunicazione personale)

Events	pts/%
Local relapse	3 (0.5)
II ipsilateral tumour	3 (0.5)
Contra and ipsilateral tumour	1 (0.2)
Contralateral tumour	4 (0.6)
N+ axillary lymph node	1
Distant metastases	12
Other tumour	3
Death	1

Percent Dose

1 Transverse Z=-1.8 cm, T=+2.0 cm, CT=21

106.4

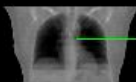
2 Sagittal X=+24.8 cm

108.6

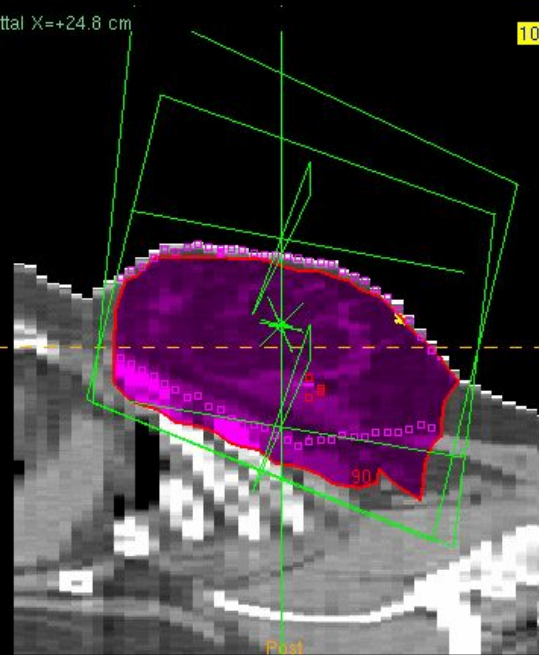
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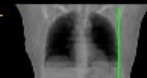
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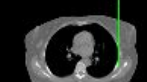
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Coronal



Transverse



3 Coronal Y=-2.0 cm

103.2

Sagittal



Transverse

