

SBRT: prescription, planning, delivery

AAPM recommendation

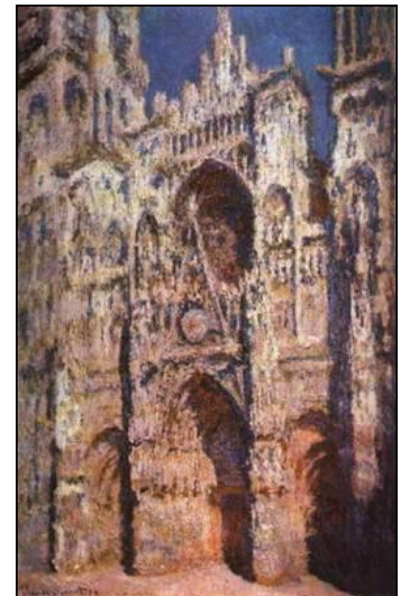
Italian SBRT-WG

Same Gray?

Multiplanning experiences

Output Factor

Take home messages



Monet – Rouen cathedral, 1893/94

Simulation imaging:

- ✚ Precise delineation of patient anatomy, targets.....
- ✚ CT + MR + PET/CT
- ✚ Scan length: at least 5-10 cm superior and inferior..
- ✚ CT slice thickness: 1-3 mm.
- ✚ 4DCT or breath-hold techniques.

Treatment planning:

- ✚ ICRU 50 and 62 definitions for GTV, CTV, PTV and OAR.
- ✚ Use of multiple non overlapping beams: ... IMRT, VMAT.
- ✚ 6 MV photon beam...beam penetration and penombra
- ✚ 5 mm MLC leaf width is adequate for most applications.

Calculation grid size and algorithm:

- ✚ Use of an isotropic grid of 2 mm or finer.
- ✚ Use of convolution/superposition algorithms. No Pencil Beam!

Patient positioning, immobilization:

- ✚ Body frames and fiducial systems, abdominal compression...
- ✚ Image guided localization: ..Epid, 3D kV CBCT, ultrasound etc.
- ✚ Respiratory motion management.

Normalization/Prescribing Dose:

- ✚ Various options are available:

Isocenter , %IDL: 80%, 65%, 60%, 50%, PTV periphery ...

Italy of the towers



San Gimignano
1300 d.C.
72 towers
2000 abitanti



SABRIphys II – Stereotactic Ablative Body Radiotherapy Italian physicist working group

>90 physicists
2013-2020



Objective 1: Sharing of personal knowledge

Objective 2: Scientific studies and write scientific papers

Objective 3: Seminars and schools



21 papers (2015-2019):

3 letters to the editor; 5 reviews; 13 full papers

6 papers in preparation/under review

Best paper EJMP 2017

Focus session EJMP: Physics of lung SBRT(2018)

Courses

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NEW:
**Basis of SBRT for
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PALACONGRESSI - Rimini, 7-10 novembre



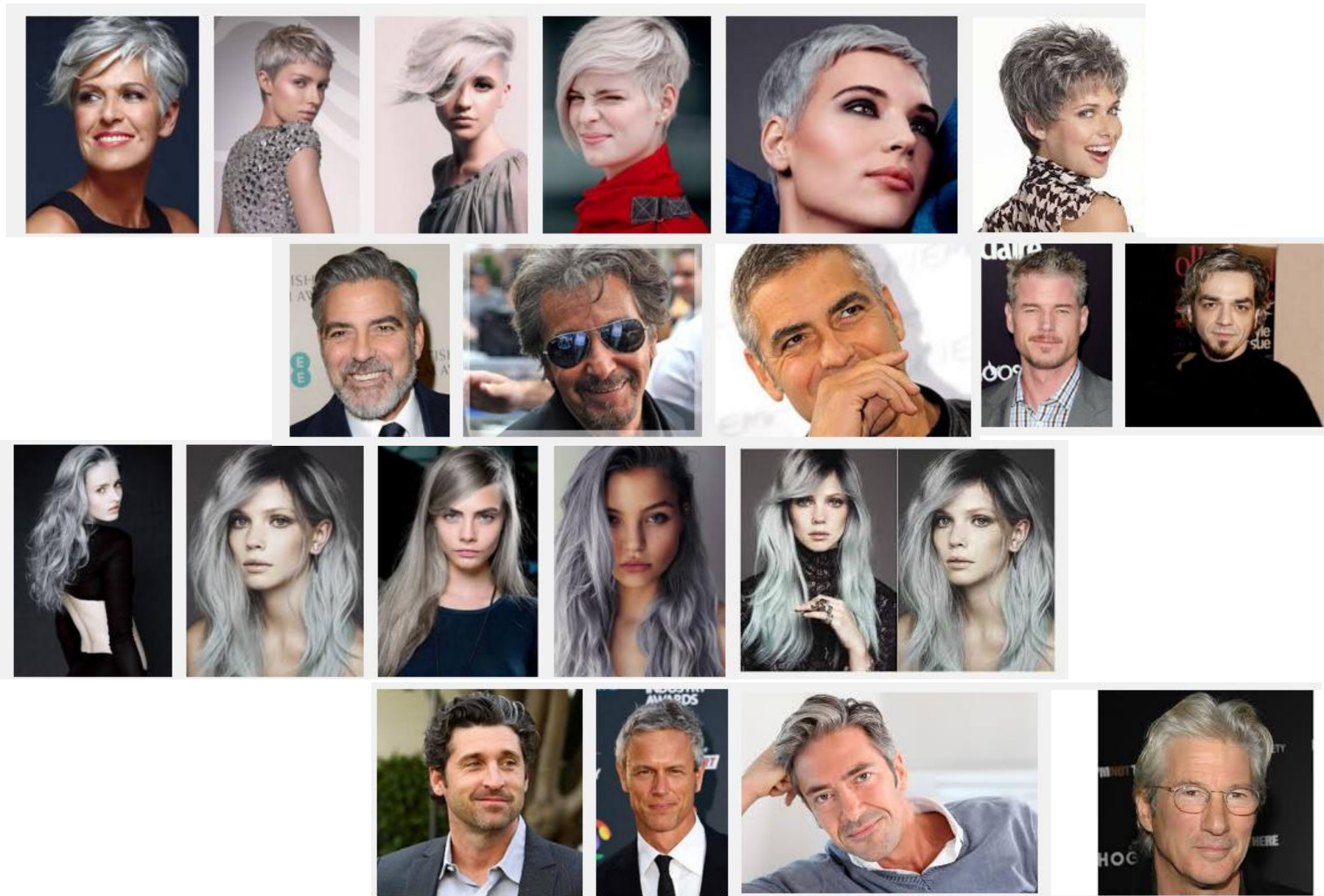
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<https://twitter.com/BreastDocUK/status/805672034239913986?s=08> Dec 5, 2016

Current Issues with radiotherapy provision in England

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Do we have the same Gray?



Multicenter planning: liver

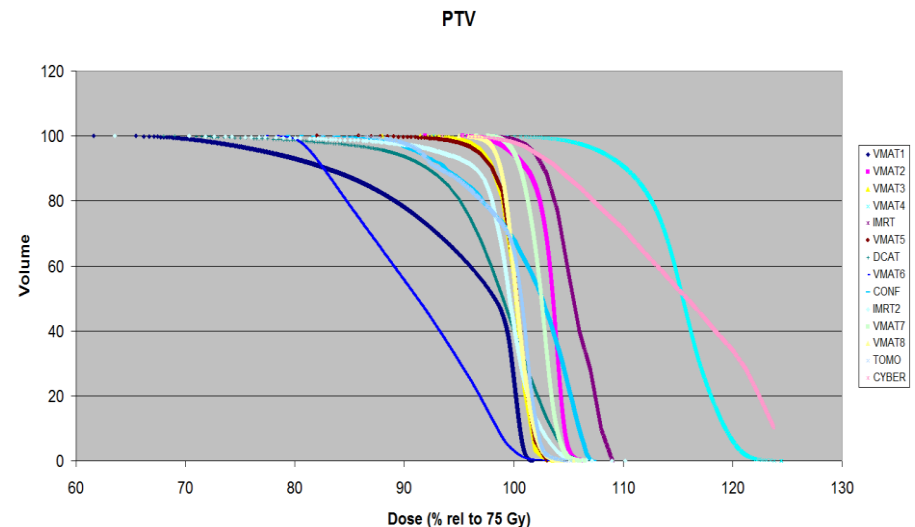
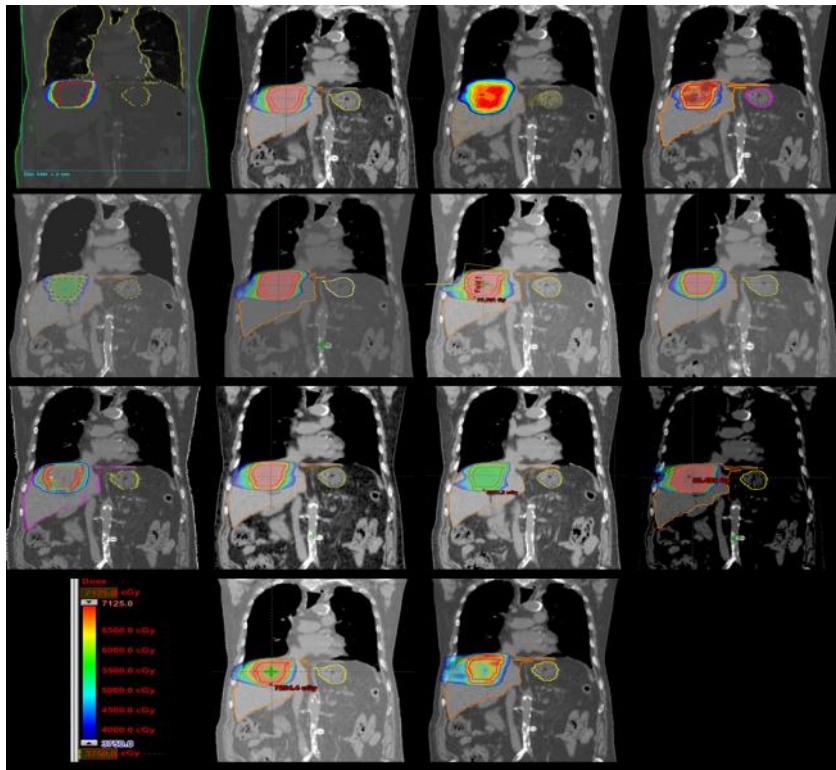
Best paper
EJMP



Multicentre treatment planning inter-comparison in a national context: The liver stereotactic ablative radiotherapy case

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12 centers; 5 liver cases
Common protocol
75 Gy – 25Gy x 3 fr
V95% > 95% (at least 67%)

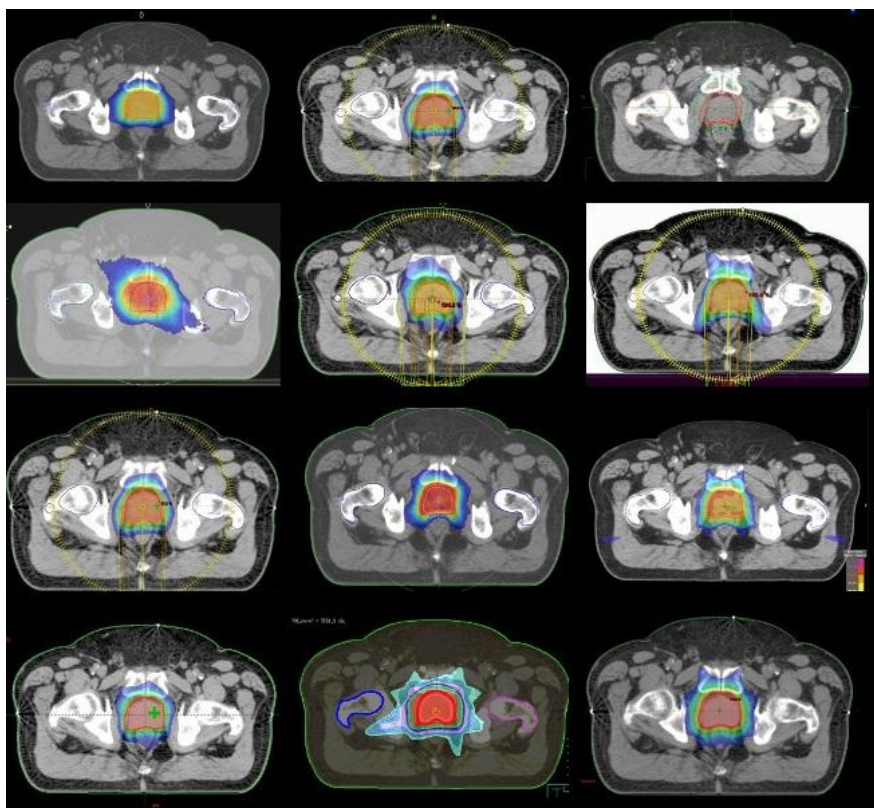




A feasibility dosimetric study on prostate cancer

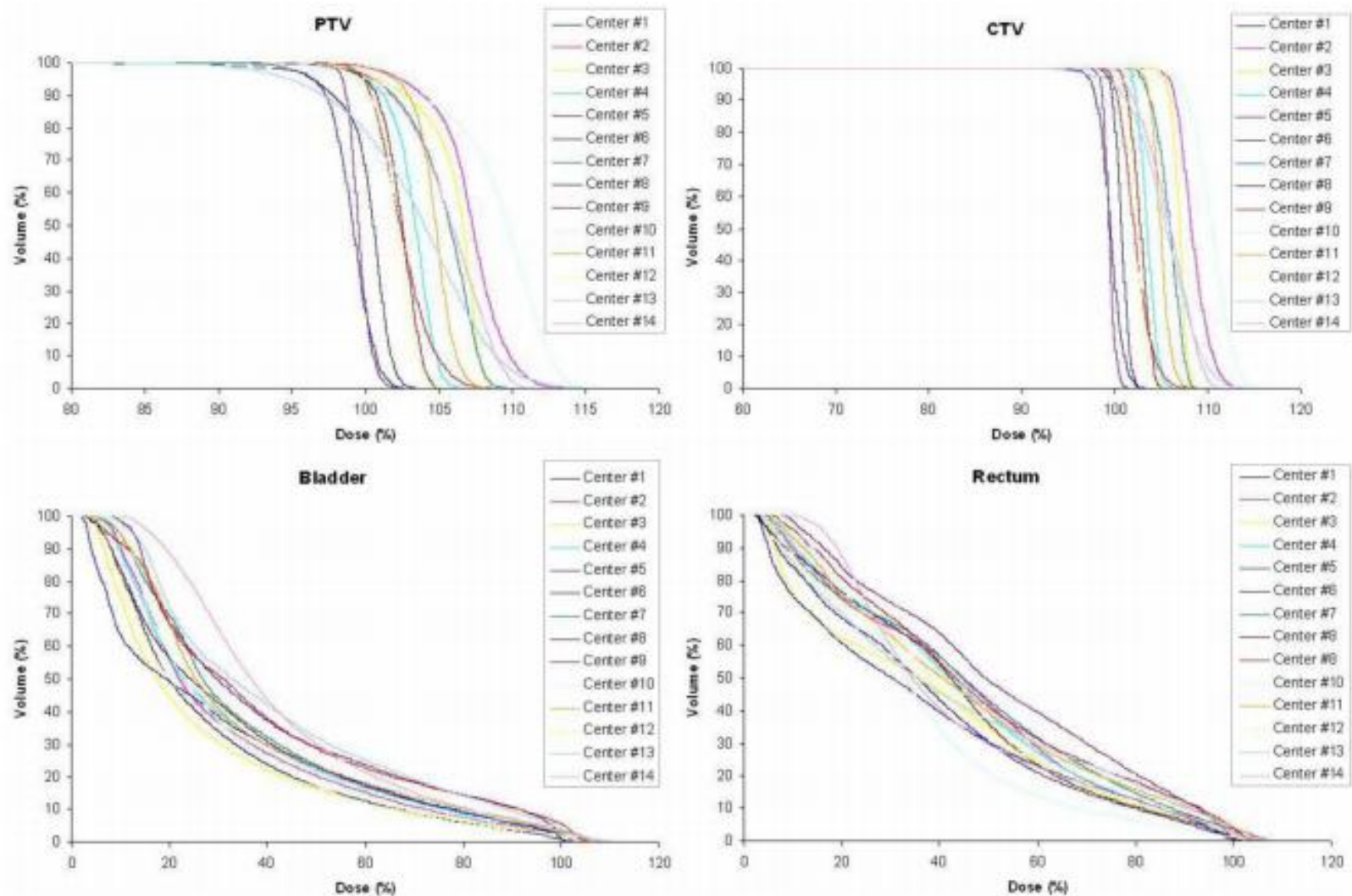
Are we ready for a multicenter clinical trial on SBRT?

Carmelo Marino · Elena Villaggi · Giulia Maggi · Marco Esposito · Lidia Strigari · Elisa Bonanno · Giusi R. Borzi · Claudia Carbonini · Rita Consorti · David Fedele · Christian Fiandra · Isidora Ielo · Tiziana Malatesta · Maria Rosa Malisan · Anna Martinotti · Renzo Moretti · Barbara Nardiello · Caterina Oliviero · Stefania Clemente · Pietro Mancosu



14 centers
5 prostate cases
Same contours
Common protocol
35 Gy – 7Gy x 5 fr

Multicenter planning: prostate



Mean DVH values over the 5 patients for the 14 centers

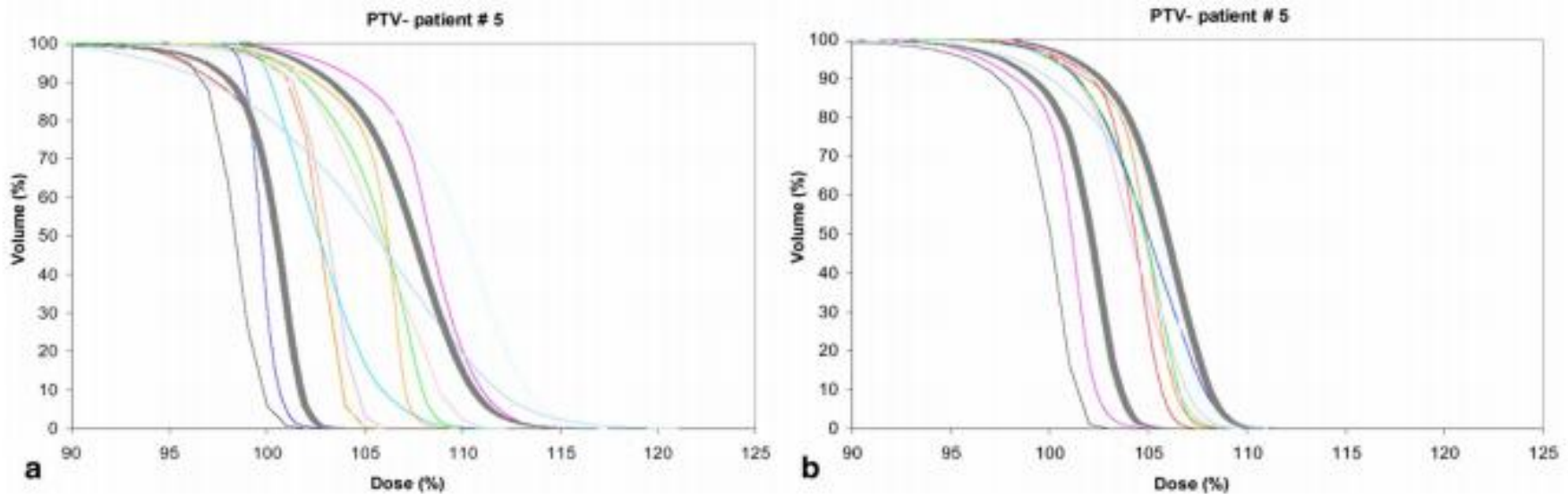


Fig. 4 Planning target volume DVH for prostate patient 5 for **a** the first optimization and **b** the second optimization

Replanned based on the mean values

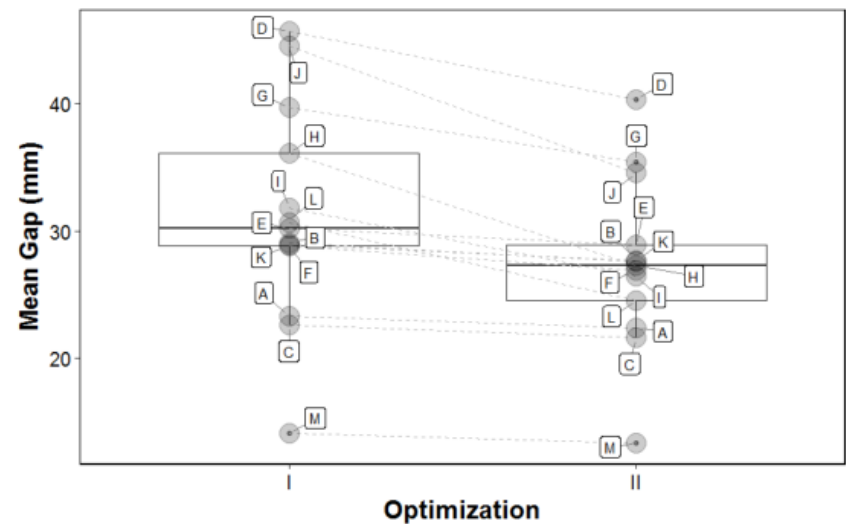
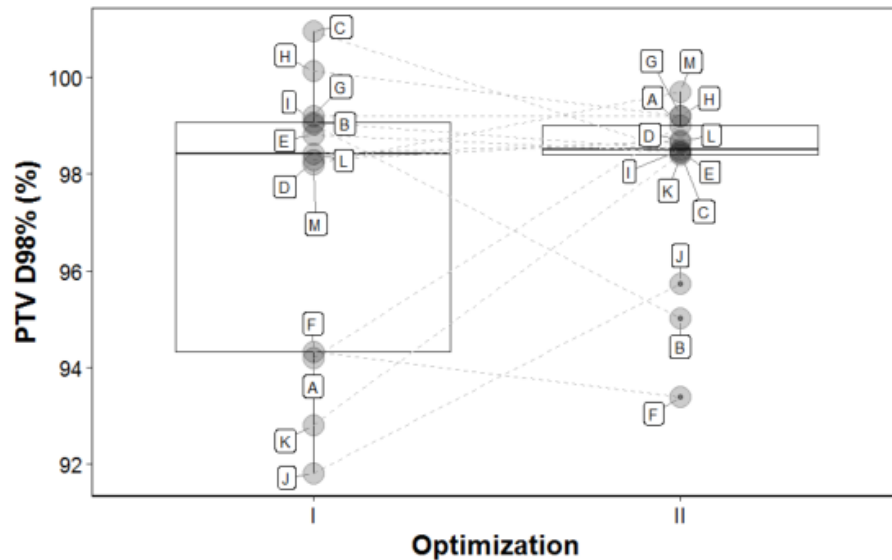
Multicenter plans



Plan quality improvement by DVH sharing and planner's experience: results of a SBRT multicentric planning study on prostate

2019
submitted

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Planning benchmark study for SBRT of early stage NSCLC

Results of the DEGRO Working Group Stereotactic Radiotherapy

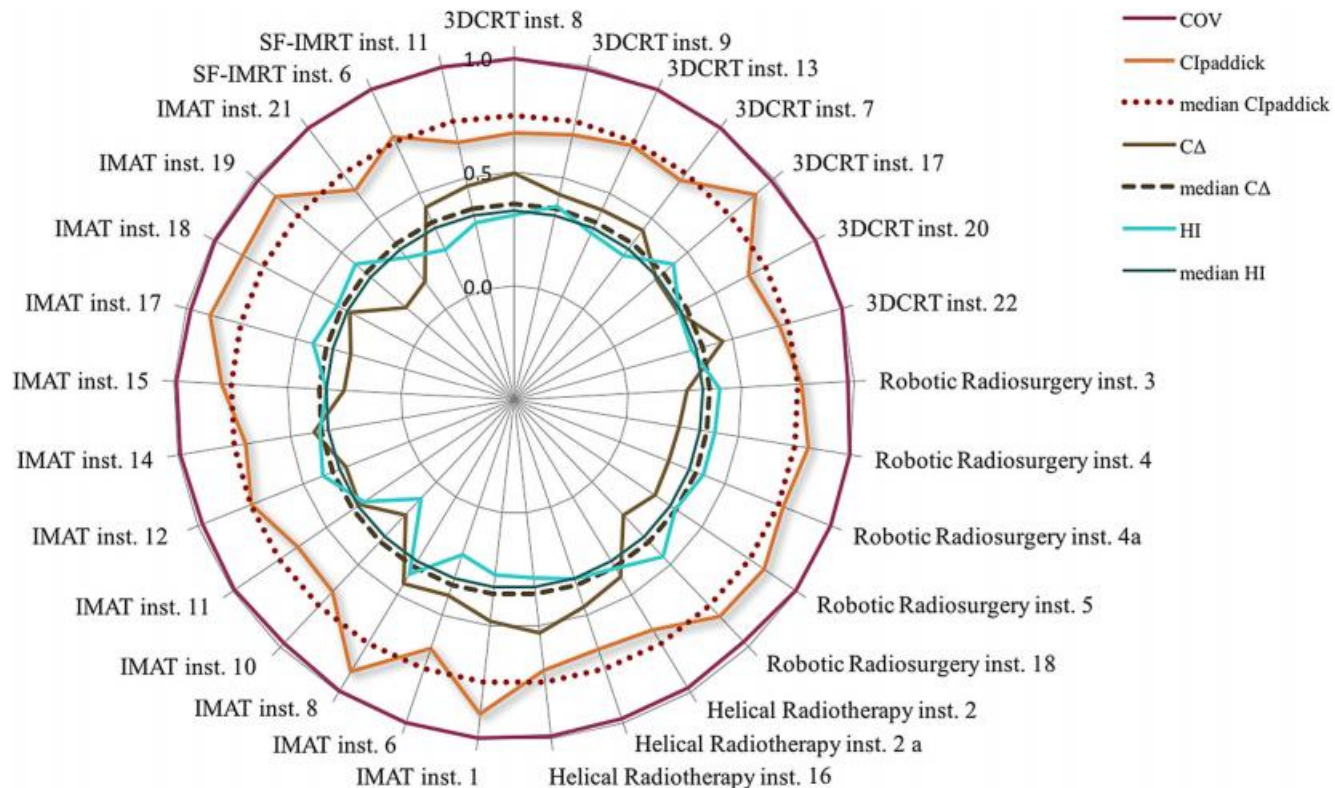


Fig. 3 Presentation of the average homogeneity and conformity indices for all patients using a network map [20], separated by participating institution. *inst.* Institution, *IMAT* intensity-modulated arc therapy, *3DCRT* three-dimensional conformal radiation therapy, *SF-IMRT* static field intensity-modulated radiation therapy

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Despite the use of various treatment planning systems and planning techniques, almost all SBRT treatment plans met the criteria of the DEGRO practice guidelines: prescription dose of 3 fractions of 15 Gy to the PTV encompassing 65% isodose line, which should achieve identical tumor control probability (TCP), while keeping the OAR

This is very different from the Italian study [23] where no guidelines and fewer constraints were provided and TCP

To be or not to be homogeneous?

Time for crowd knowledge-based approach in SBRT planning

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	Italian Study	German Study
Prescription	54 Gy in 3 fr	45 Gy in 3 fr
Normaliz	Not defined V95% > 95%	65% isodose (i.e. min dose = 45 Gy)
Dmax	Not defined	69.2 Gy

We can conclude that setting the isodose line to a specific value was not enough to homogenize dose distribution in SBRT plans, and new approaches are needed. The im-

Time for standardization of SBRT planning through large scale clinical data and guideline-based approaches

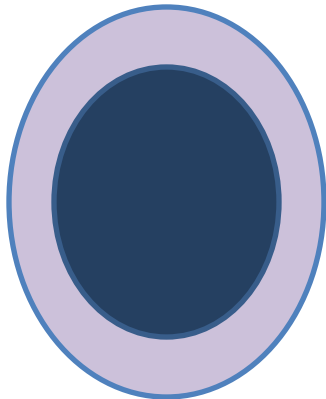


(CTV: clinical target volume) or a combination of all, we fully agree with Mancosu et al. that further homogenization for treatment planning with inhomogeneous dose distributions is desperately needed through controlling and reporting of not only one but multiple target dose parameters and through the general concept of ALARA (as low as reasonably achievable) for critical organ optimization rather than just meeting known dose limitations. This multiple target parameter reporting concept for SBRT is covered in the recently published ICRU 91 report [9]. Finally, we also strongly agree with Mancosu et al. that the plan quality levels needs to be homogenized as well, ideally through multi-institutional multi-platform treatment planning stud-

ICRU91 - Where to normalize the dose

ICRU 83

50 Gy prescribed to
mean PTV volume



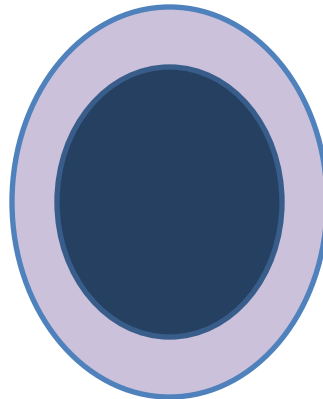
PTV

$D_{\max} = 53-55\text{Gy}$
 $D_{\text{mean}} = 50\text{ Gy}$
 $D_{\min} = 47.5-48\text{Gy}$

HI = 7-10%

AAPM report 101

50 Gy prescribed to
periphery PTV
(80%)



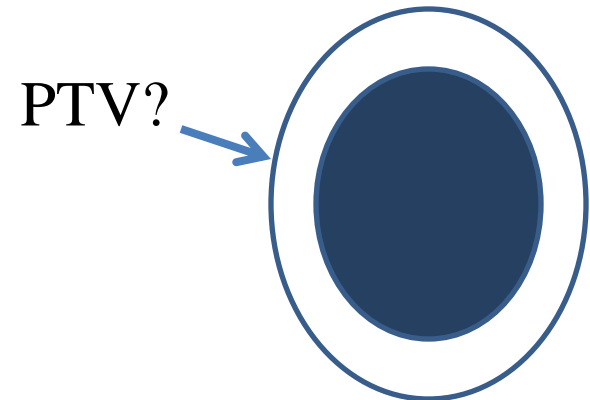
PTV

$D_{\max} = 62.5\text{ Gy}$
 $D_{\text{mean}} = 54-57\text{ Gy}$
 $D_{\min} = 50\text{ Gy}$

HI = 20%

GammaKnife style

50 Gy prescribed to
periphery CTV
(50%)



CTV

$D_{\max} = 100\text{ Gy}$
 $D_{\text{mean}} = 70-80\text{ Gy}$
 $D_{\min} = 50\text{ Gy}$

HI = 50%

ICRU REPORT No. 91

PRESCRIBING, RECORDING, AND REPORTING OF STEREOTACTIC TREATMENTS WITH SMALL PHOTON BEAMS

**THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON
RADIATION UNITS AND
MEASUREMENTS
(Published July, 2017)**

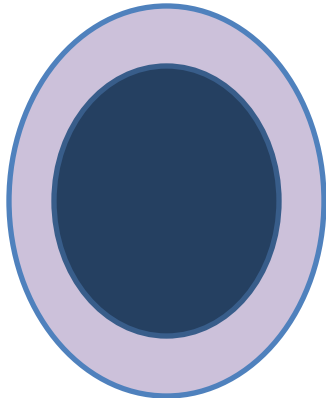
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7.3.1	Recommendation for Reporting at Level 2
7.3.2	Discussion and Rationale of Level 2 Reporting
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7.3.2.3	Dose homogeneity
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7.3.3	Reporting at Level 3
7.3.3.1	Reporting integral dose
7.3.3.2	Biology-based evaluation metrics
7.4	Reporting of Software Versions for Treatment Planning and Delivery	..
7.5	Reporting of Confidence Intervals

This report does not recommend any particular value of D_V for a prescription. However, the median dose, $D_{50\%}$, is likely to be a good measure for a typical dose in a relatively homogeneously irradiated tumor, has been shown to be computed accurately

ICRU91 - Where to normalize the dose

ICRU 91

50 Gy prescribed to
NO INDICATION



Report of :

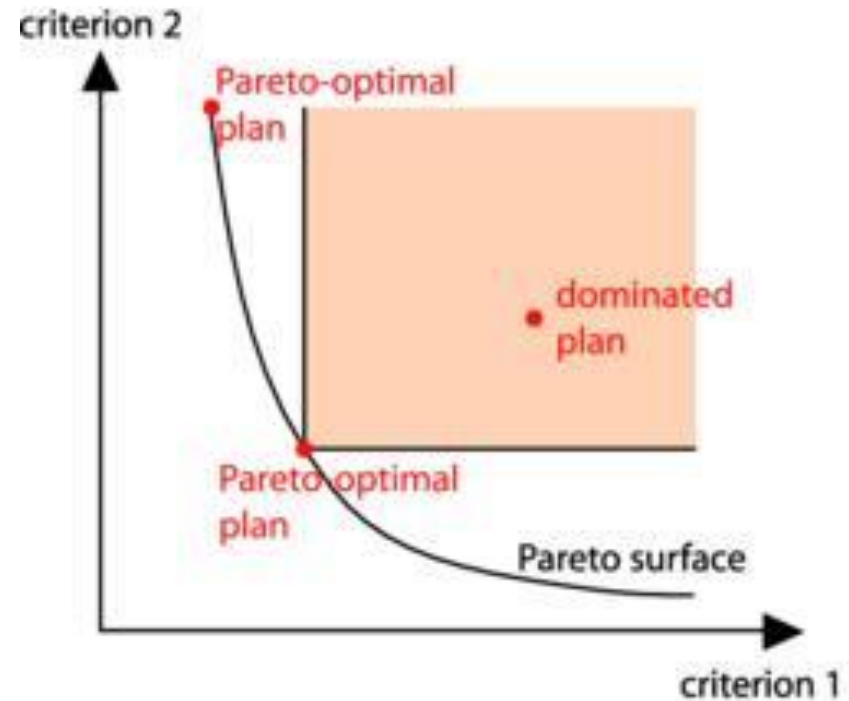
$D_{98\%}$

$D_{50\%}$

$D_{2\%}$



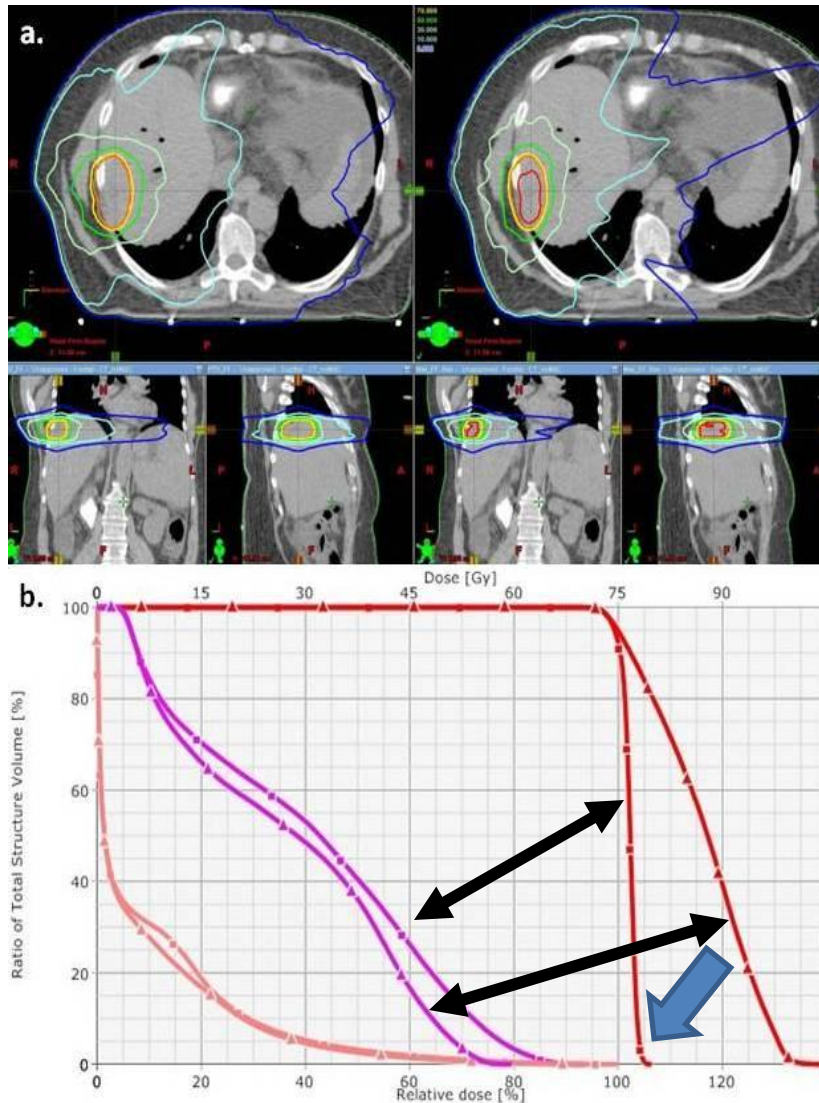
Vilfredo Pareto



Multicriteria problem

Criterion 1	Criterion 2
PTV: maximize Dmin	OAR: reduce Dmax
PTV: minimize Dmax	PTV: maximize Dmean
PTV: minimize Dmax	Body: reduce D50%

ICRU91 - Where to normalize the dose



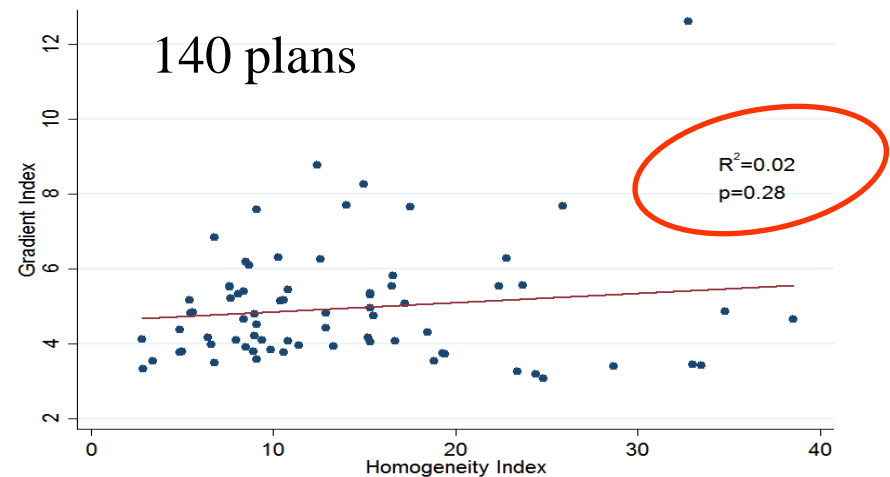
Mancosu, ESTRO 2013

Gradient index: $\text{PTVmin}/\text{BodyD50}$

Hom. index: $(\text{PTVmin}-\text{PTVmax})/\text{PTVmean}$



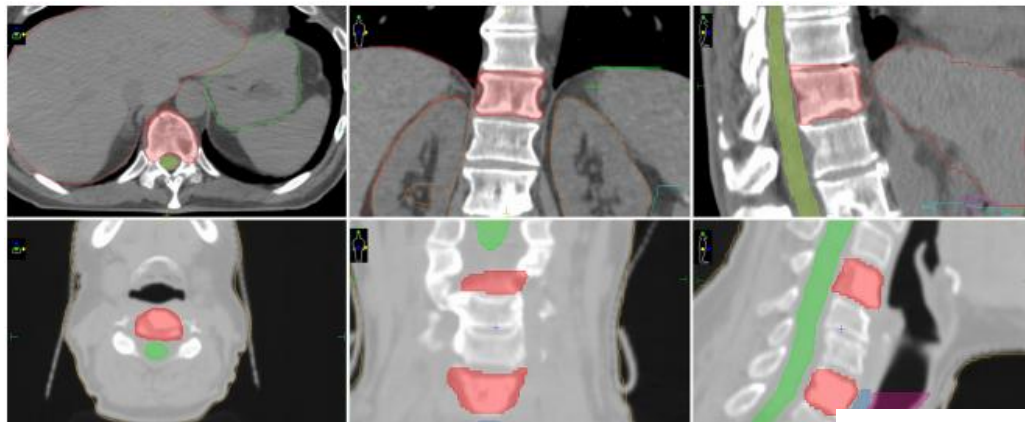
Multiplanning SBRT lung study
28 centers involved



Open questions:
Density dishomogeneity
Target motion
(...)

SBRT planning for spinal metastasis: indications from a large multicentric study

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Crowd knowledge sharing

- To recruit a large number of centres equipped with various TPS and delivery systems
- To evaluate the compliance of plans to the protocol and to help in the re-planning of non-acceptable plans
- To assess the correlation between dosimetric results and planning/delivery parameters
- To quantify plan quality using an ad hoc-defined quality score index and to measure plan quality variability between centres

43 TPS from 38 centers

Prescription dose (PD): 30Gy in 3 fractions.

Planning objective: >90% of the PTV with PD; >80% minor violation.

Planning constraints (from AAPM 101):

PRV cord: $V_{18\text{Gy}} < 0.35\text{cm}^3$, $V_{21.9\text{Gy}} < 0.03\text{cm}^3$;

Heart: $V_{24\text{Gy}} < 15\text{cm}^3$, $V_{30\text{Gy}} < 0.03\text{cm}^3$;

Esophagus: $V_{17.7\text{Gy}} < 5\text{cm}^3$, $V_{25.2\text{Gy}} < 0.03\text{cm}^3$;

Stomach: $V_{16.5\text{Gy}} < 10\text{cm}^3$, $V_{22.2\text{Gy}} < 0.03\text{cm}^3$;

Bowel: $V_{16.5\text{Gy}} < 5\text{cm}^3$; $V_{25.2\text{Gy}} < 0.03\text{cm}^3$.

As a last option, planners were allowed to decrease the prescription dose to 27Gy to fulfill all OAR constraints.



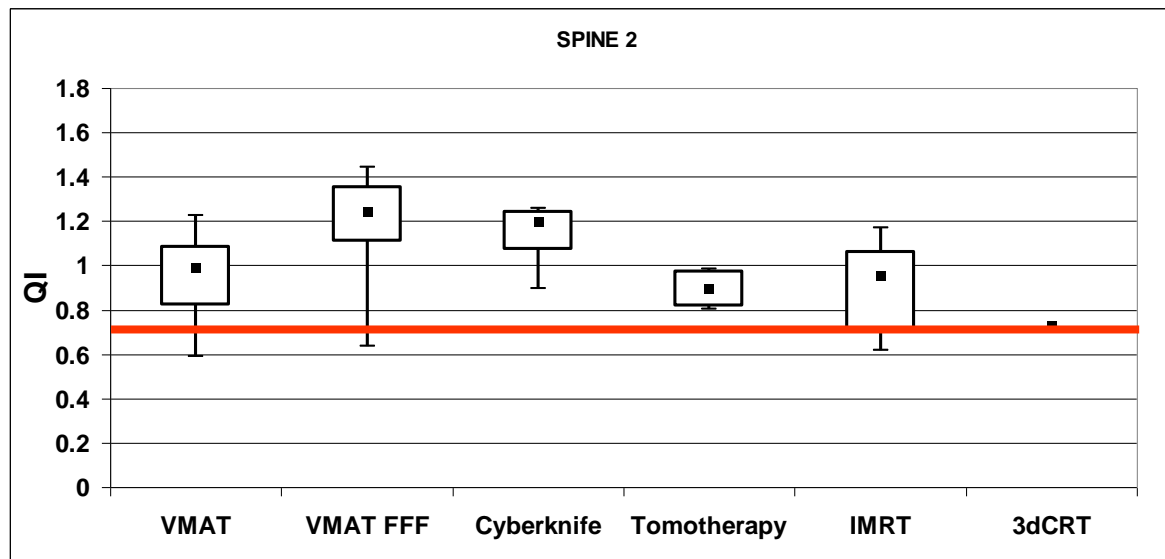
In the first analysis, 12.5% of plans (12/96) failed to meet the minimum protocol requirements

Ten of 12 plans were successfully re-optimized using the information coming from more skilful planners



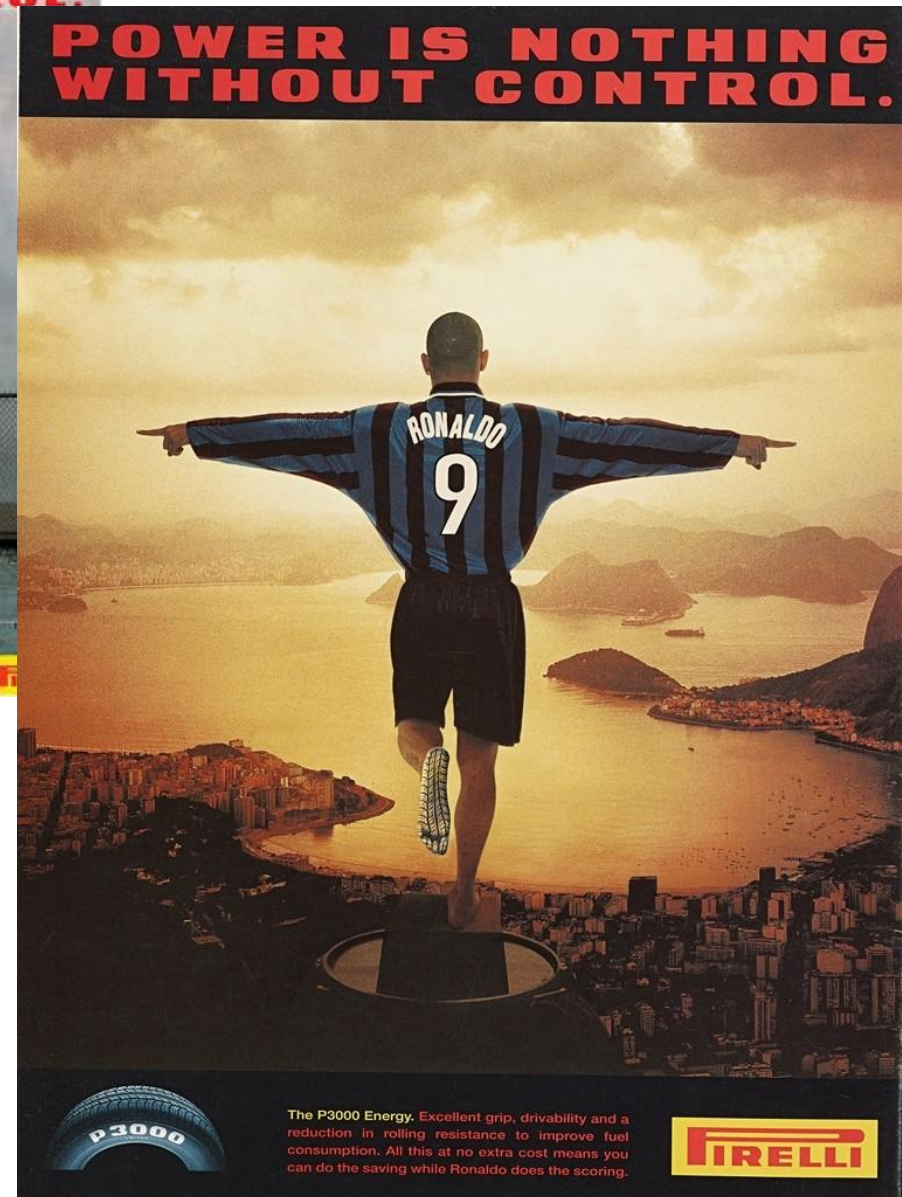
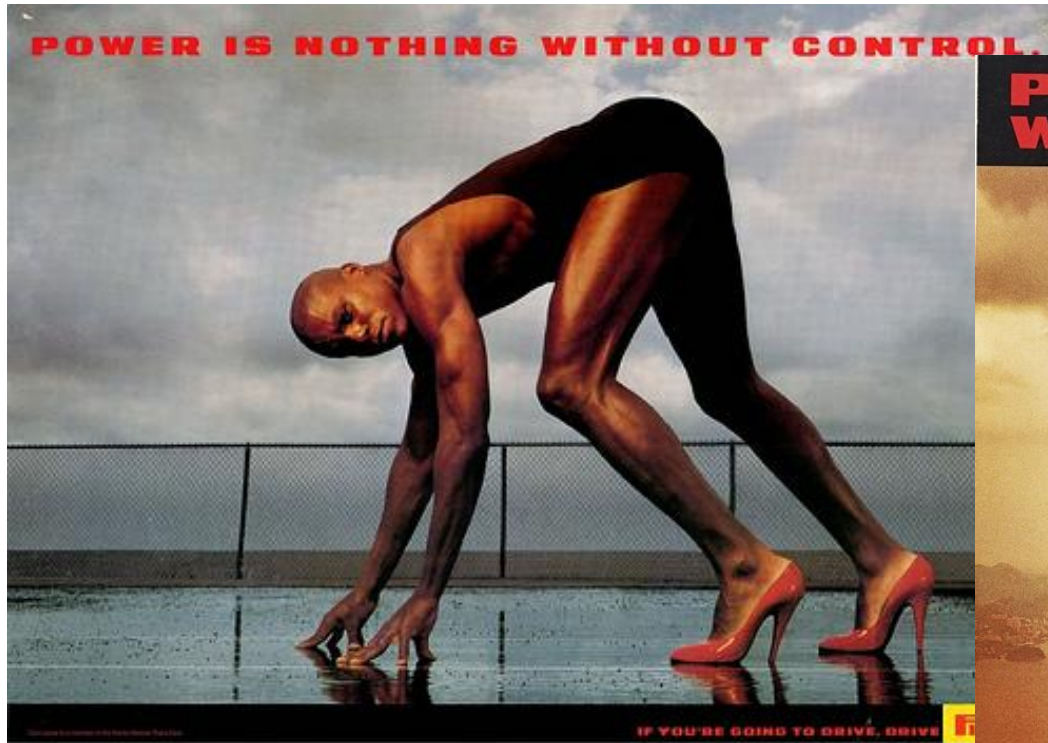
Quality index parameter:

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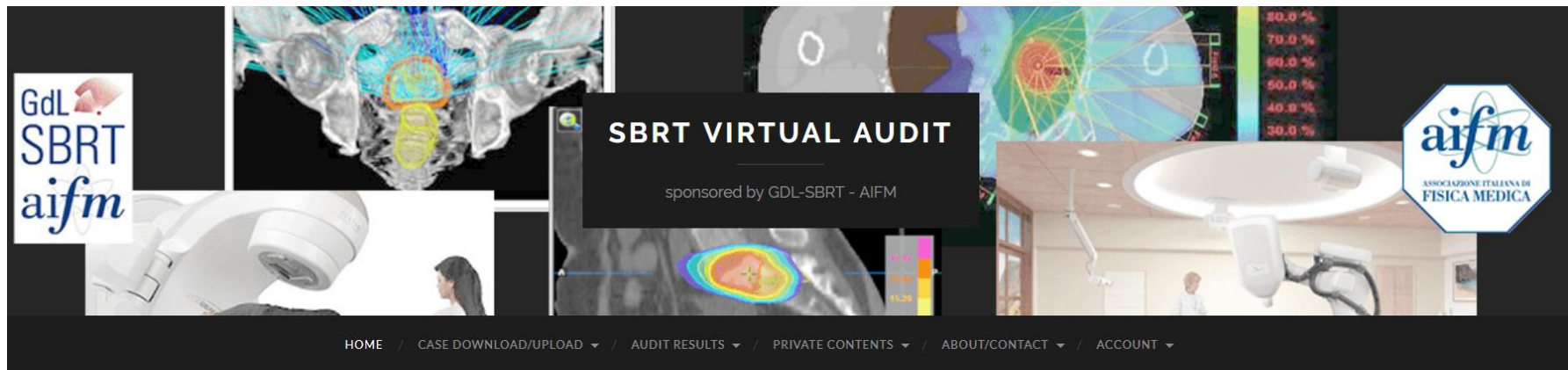


Power is nothing without control

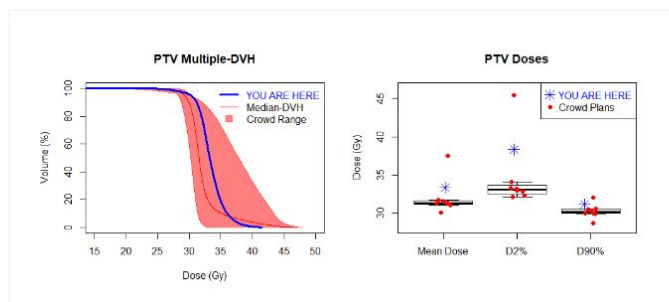
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Ongoing project




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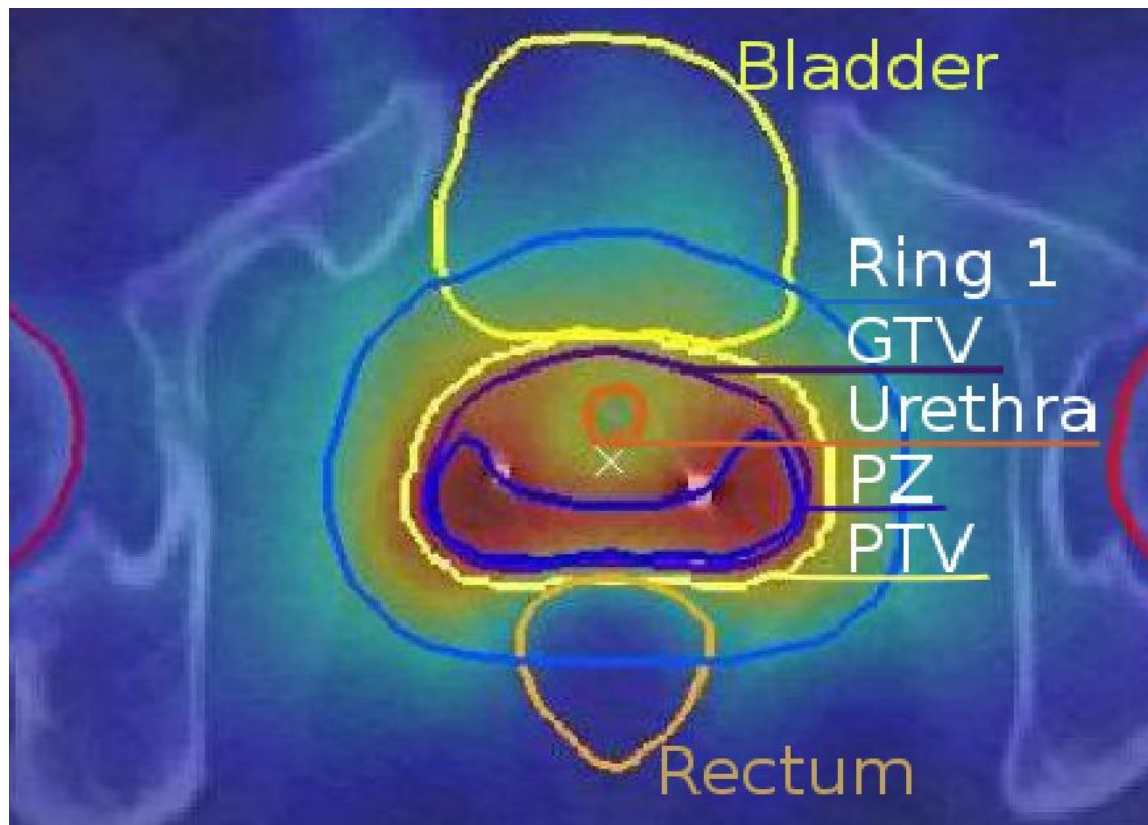
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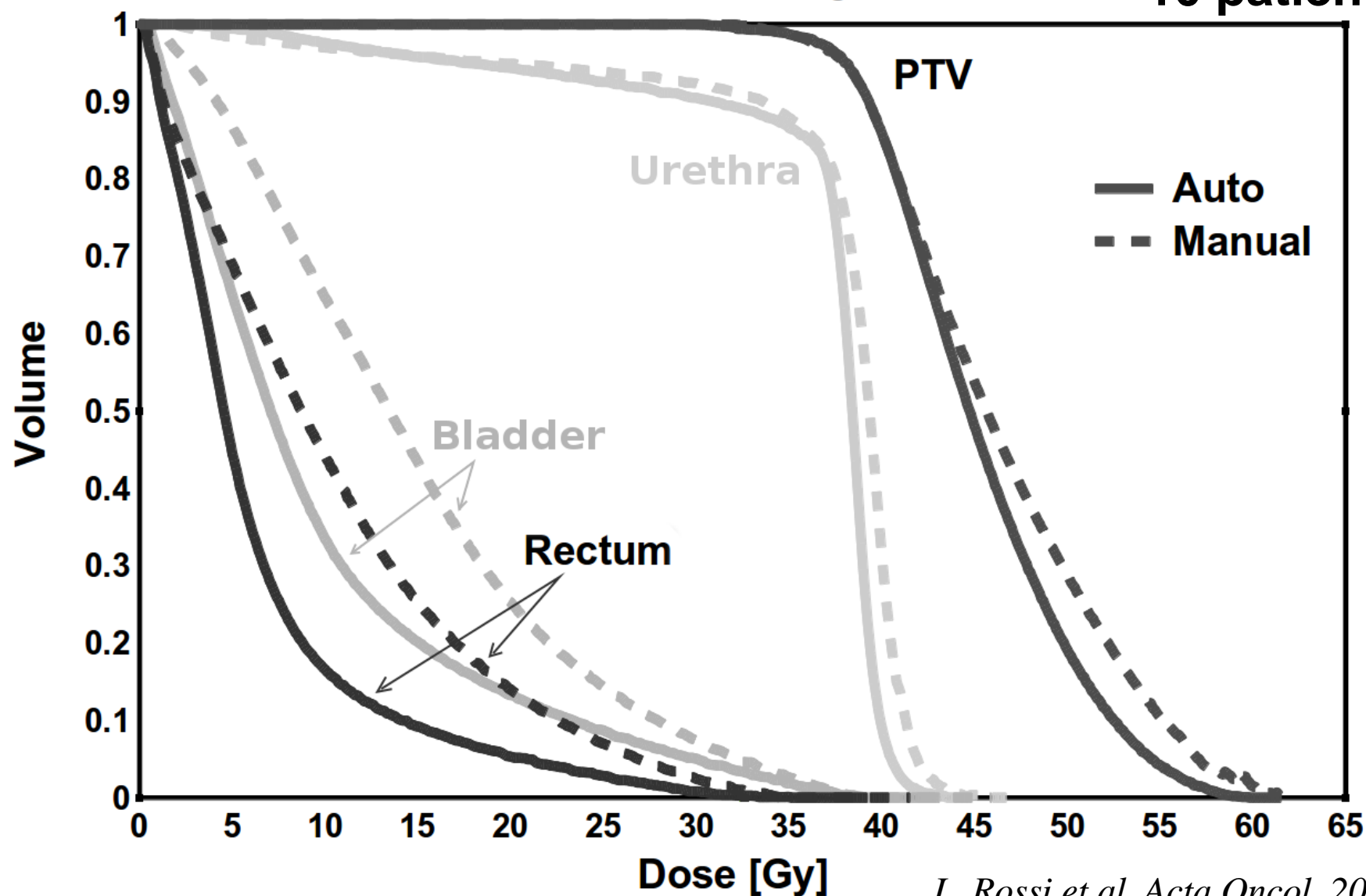
How good is a SBRT plan?



How good is a SBRT plan?

Population average DVHs

10 patients



Prostate SBRT

MANplan/clinical

50 Gy
45 Gy
38 Gy
30 Gy
20 Gy
10 Gy

AUTOplan

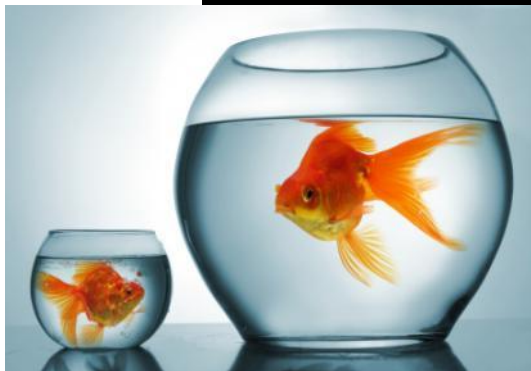
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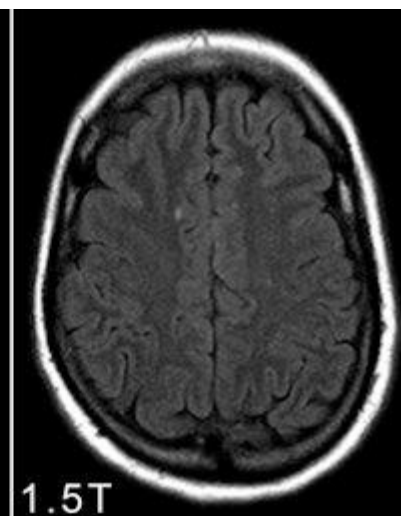
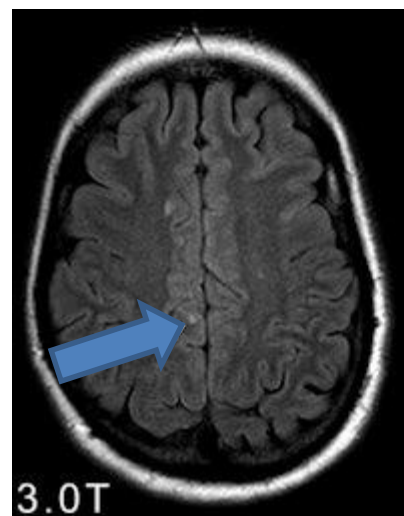
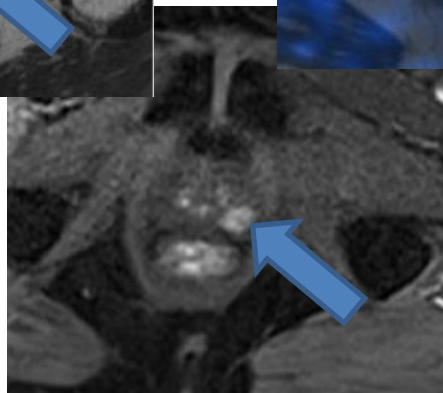
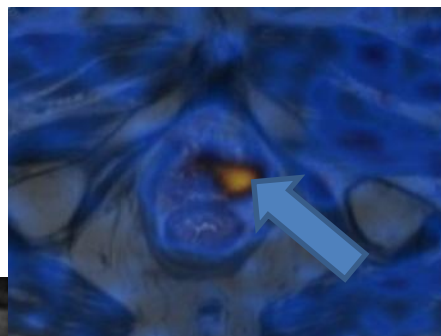
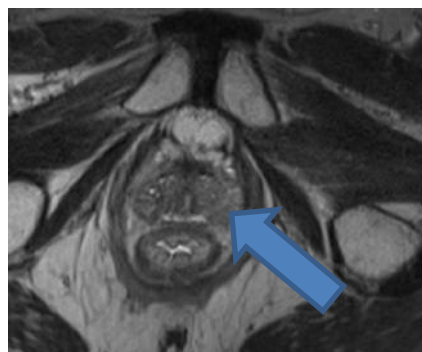
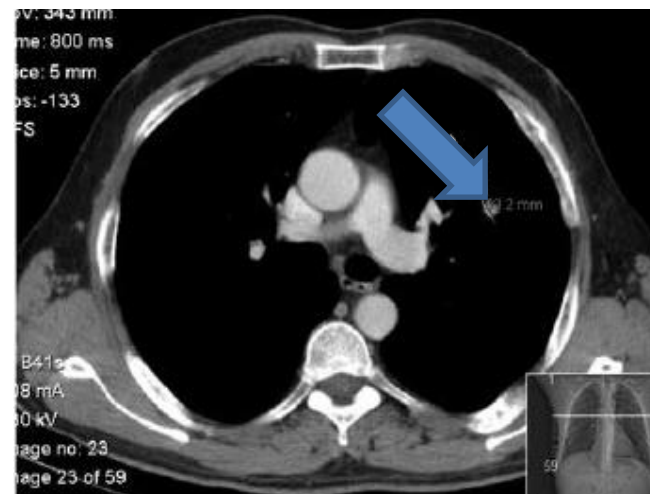
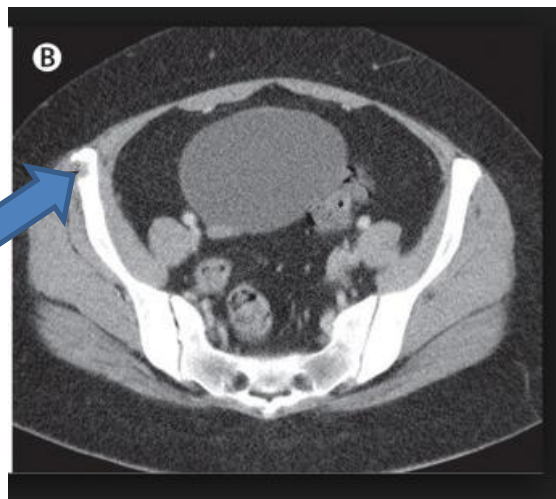
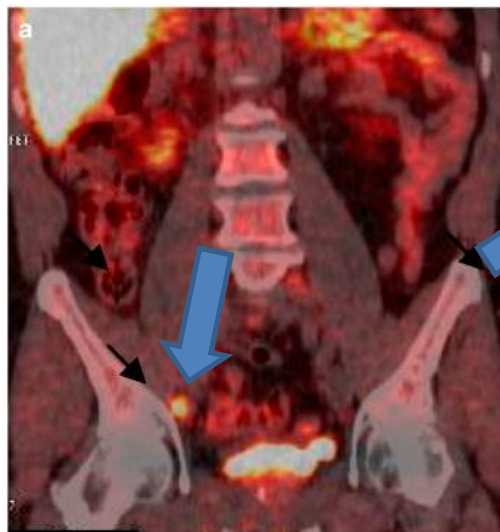
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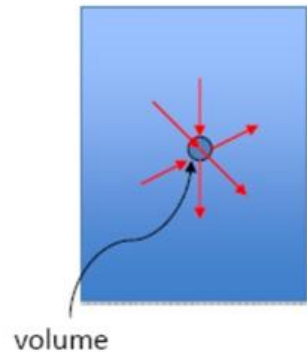
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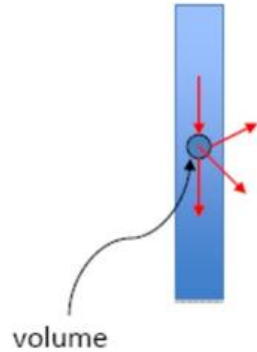
New imaging possibilities



broad photon field



narrow photon field

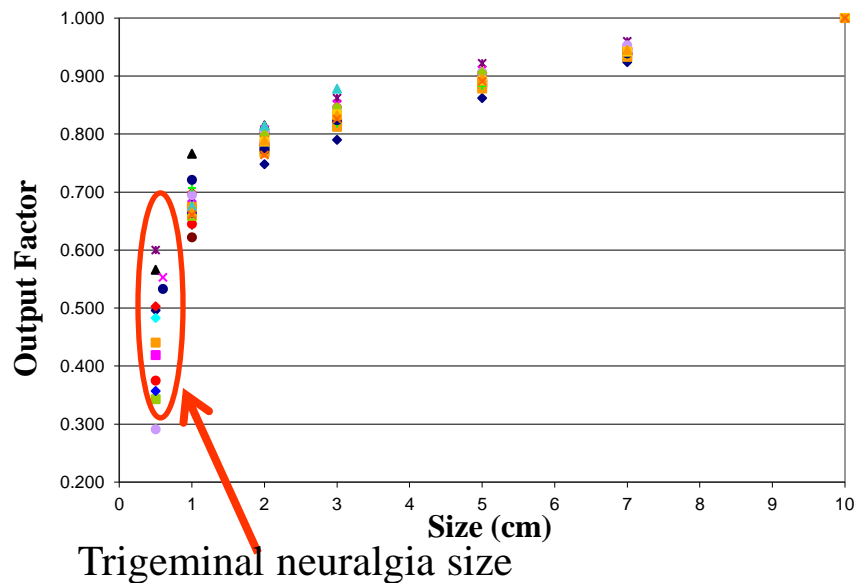


Small field output factors evaluation with a microDiamond detector over 30 Italian centers

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Lateral charged particle loss



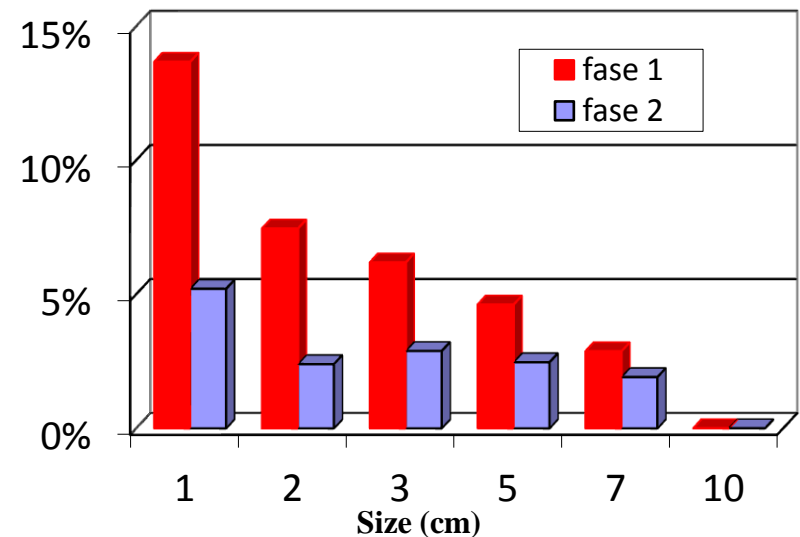
27 centers

Output factor (5-100mm)

Square fields with jaws

Phase 1: Own detector

Phase 2: Common detector (diamond)

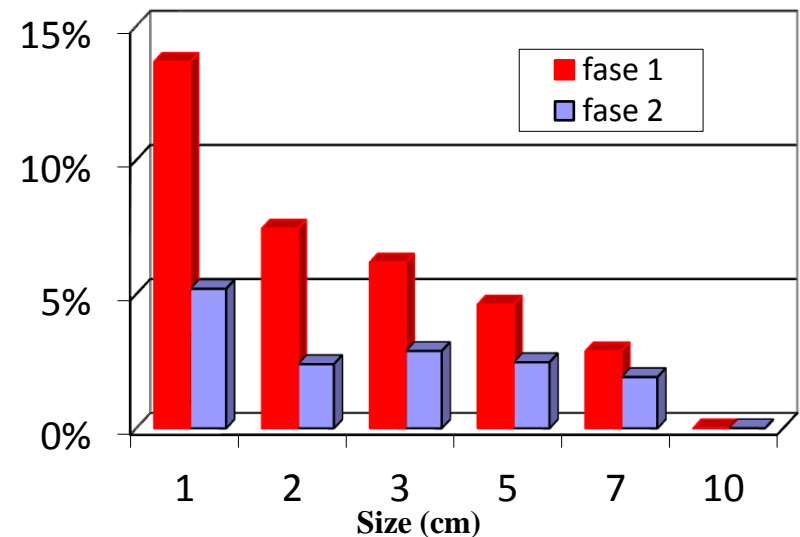


The Radiological Physics Center's standard dataset for small field size output factors

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Andrea Molineu,¹ Paola Alvarez,¹ Jose Francisco Aguirre,¹ and
Geoffrey S. Ibbott¹



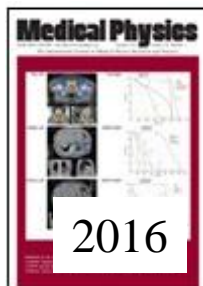
Field Size (cm × cm)	Varian 6 MV		Varian 10 MV	
	RPC	Institution	RPC	Institution
10 × 10	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
6 × 6	0.921 (0.013) [0.9%] (n=64)	0.929 (0.004)	0.946 (0.017) [0.7%] (n=9)	0.953 (0.016)
4 × 4	0.865 (0.018) [1.3%] (n=64)	0.874 (0.021)	0.900 (0.024) [1.3%] (n=9)	0.912 (0.030)
3 × 3	0.828 (0.017) [1.7%] (n=62)	0.841 (0.025)	0.867 (0.020) [1.2%] (n=9)	0.875 (0.025)
2 × 2	0.786 (0.019) [2.3%] (n=55)	0.796 (0.031)	0.817 (0.015) [1.8%] (n=11)	0.828 (0.019)



Small fields: universal curve?



Small fields: universal curve?



Technical Note: Multicenter study of TrueBeam FFF beams with a new stereotactic diode: Can a common small field signal ratio curve be defined?

Elisabetta Cagni, Serenella Russo, Giacomo Reggiori, Sara Bresciani, David Fedele, Mauro Iori, Carmelo Marino, Barbara Nardiello, Ruggero Ruggieri, Lidia Strigari, and Pietro Mancosu

8 TrueBeam

10 FFF

2400 MU/min

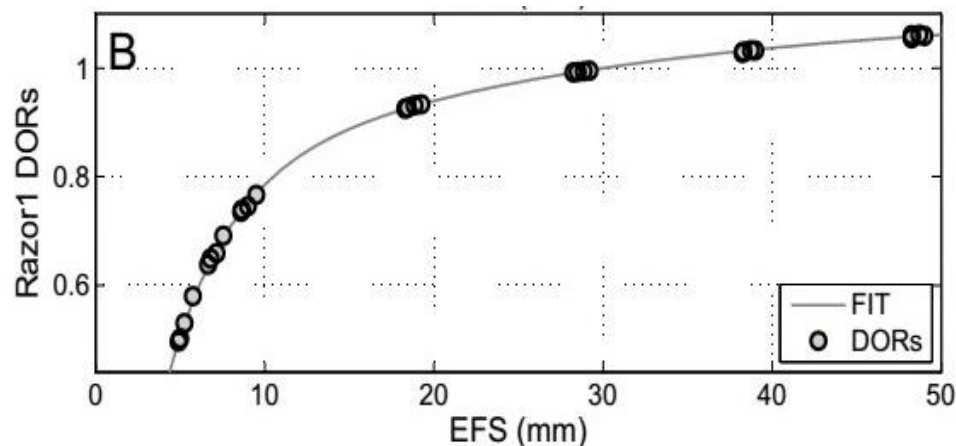
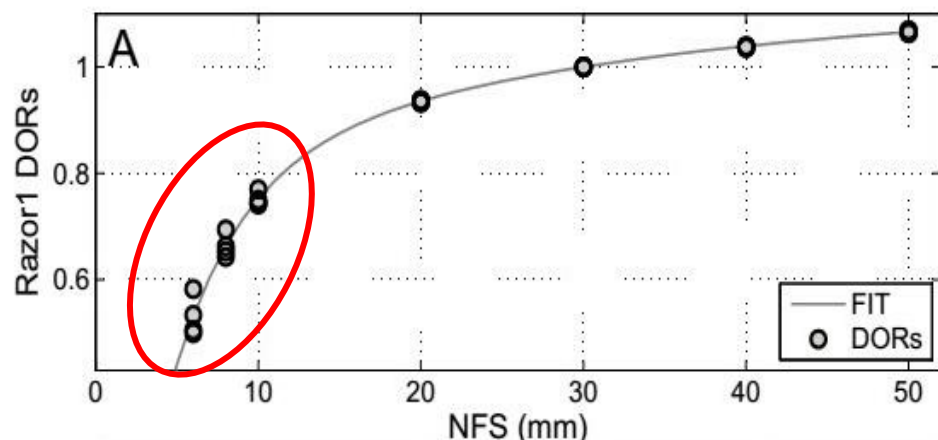
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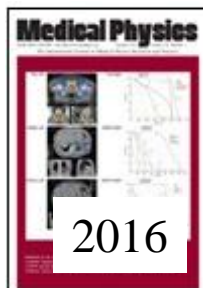
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Jaws intrinsic geometric uncertainty

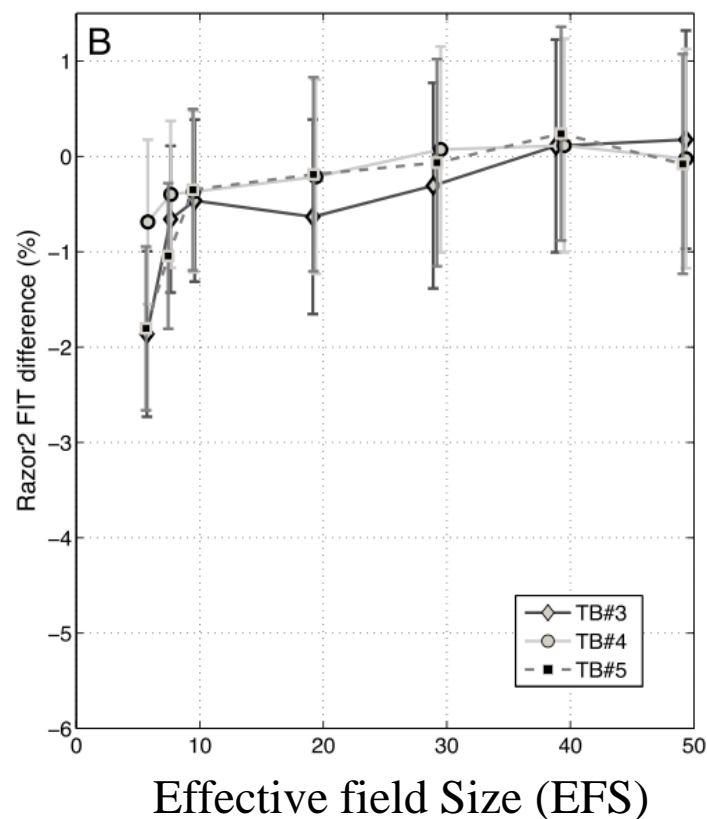
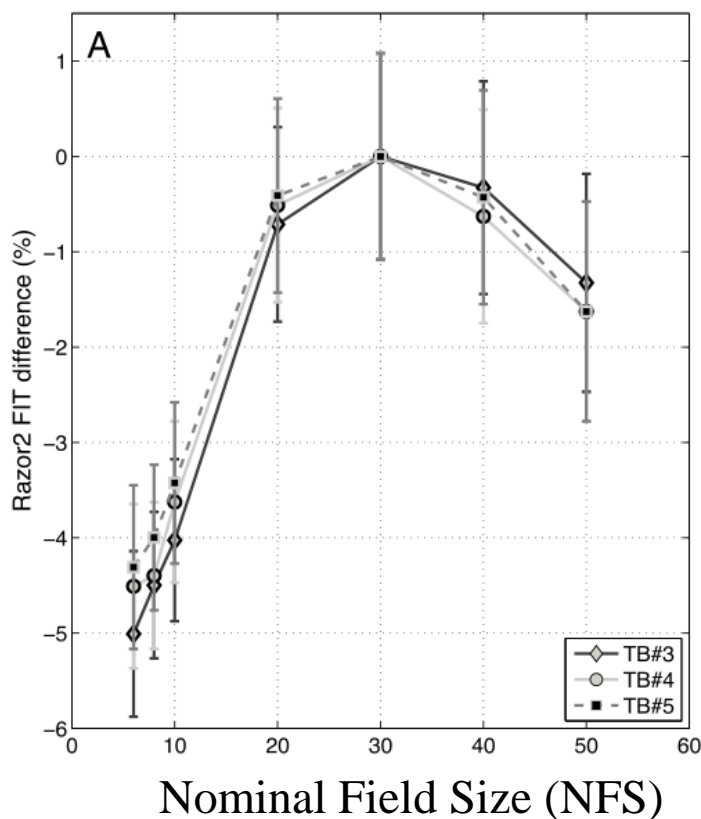


Small fields: universal curve?



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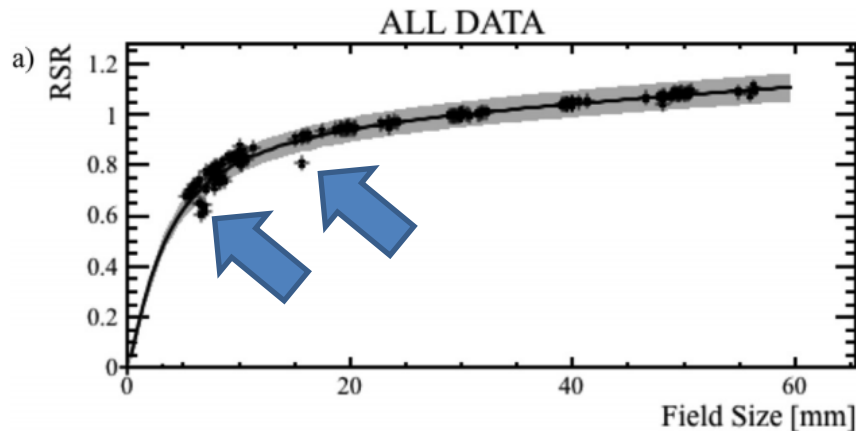
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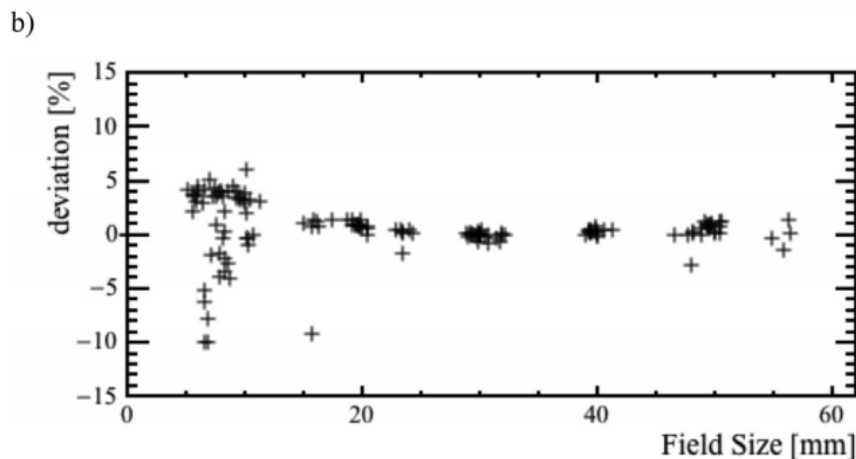


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Two centres, using Elekta Beam Modulator and Varian linac, showed data points with deviations greater than 5%. They have been crosschecked and the measurements have been redone resulting in a narrower deviation distribution.



Conclusion

The presented work is a dosimetric study involving 24 Italian radiotherapy centers, aimed at improving the overall accuracy in radiotherapy by ensuring high quality of dosimetry. The study aims to minimize systematic errors in output factor measurement over different radiotherapy centres. To this purpose adopting a

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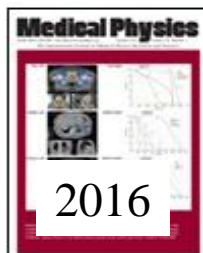
This approach could allow one to envision high-skilled therapy centers providing support to those featuring minor experience and could represent an important strategy for the clinical implementation of emerging technologies at high quality levels.

Best paper



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Discussion time

