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EVOLUZIONE  
DELLE TECNICHE  
DI RADIOTERAPIA  
IN IMRT:  
LA PRATICA,  
LE INCERTEZZE  
E LE PROSPETTIVE

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Tra la radiobiologia e la clinica  
**Overview clinica sul ruolo della IMRT:  
Torace**

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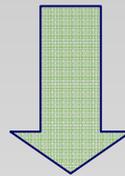
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## IMRT: cosa abbiamo imparato

- Migliora la conformazione della dose
- Migliora l'omogeneità (o disomogeneità) della dose



- Dose-escalation
  - Ipofrazionamento
    - Simultaneous Integrated Boost
      - Re-irradiazioni

## Indicazioni nel distretto toracico

**Mammella**

**Whole breast**  
**Partial breast**  
**Altro**

**Polmone**

**NSCLC**  
**Mesotelioma**

**Linfomi**  
**Esofago**  
**Sarcomi**

...



## Overview

### A Review of the Clinical Evidence for Intensity-modulated Radiotherapy

J. Staffurth on behalf of the Radiotherapy Development Board<sup>1</sup>

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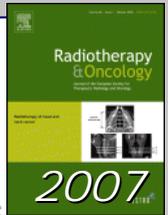
- ▶ **61 Studi di confronto 3D-CRT vs. IMRT, aggiornati al luglio 2009**  
**MEDLINE, EMBASE, IJROBP, Radiother Oncol, ASTRO, ESTRO**

	RCTs	Pz.	Non RCTs	Pz.	On going	Pz.
Testa - collo	3	205	27	1119	6	> 1000
Prostata	-	-	26	> 5000	11	> 4000
Mammella	2	664	4	875	6	> 4000
Polmone	-	-	1	290	2	n.s.
Altro	-	-	8	n.s.	2	n.s.

Whole breast		RCTs	Pz.	Non RCTs	Pz.	On going	Pz.
	Mammella	3	1468	4	875	6	> 4000

Randomised trial of standard 2D radiotherapy (RT) versus intensity modulated radiotherapy (IMRT) in patients prescribed breast radiotherapy

Ellen Donovan<sup>a</sup>, Natalie Bleakley<sup>a</sup>, Erica Denholm<sup>b</sup>, Phil Evans<sup>a</sup>, Lone Gothard<sup>c</sup>, Jane Hanson<sup>c</sup>, Richard...  
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A Multicenter Randomized Trial of Breast Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy to Reduce Acute Radiation Dermatitis

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**CLINICAL INVESTIGATION**

**RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIAL OF FORWARD-PLANNED INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY FOR EARLY BREAST CANCER: INTERIM RESULTS AT 2 YEARS**

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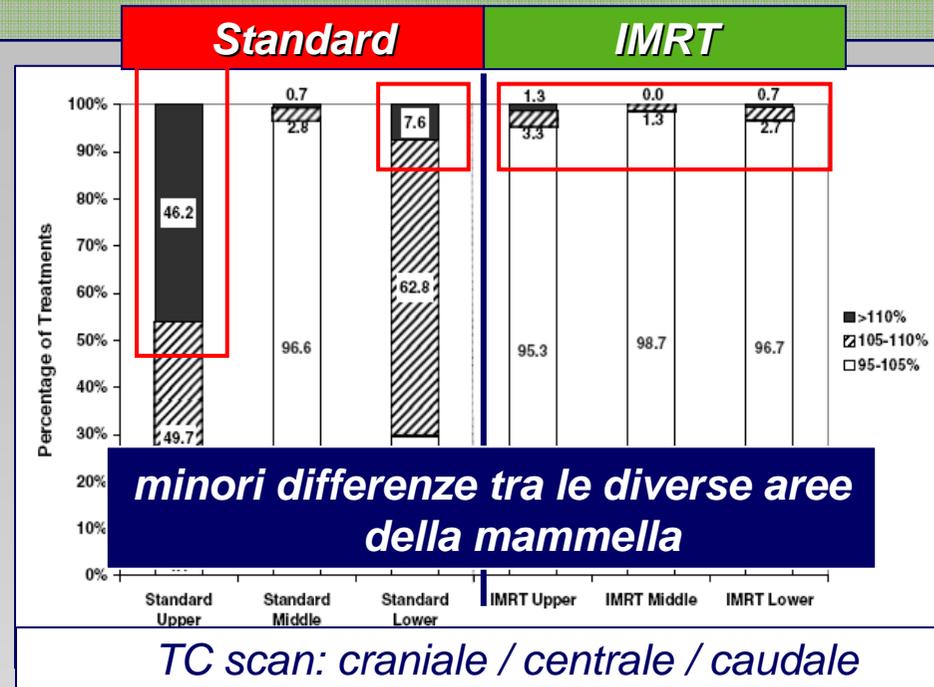
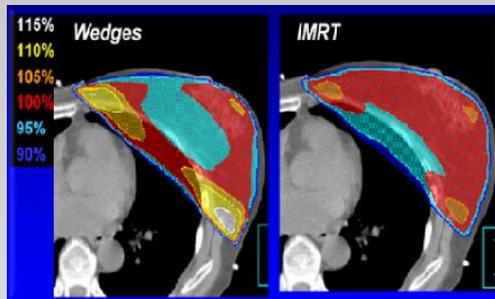


- ▶ End-point comune: valutazione tossicità acuta/tardiva mammaria e correlazione con la tecnica utilizzata
- ▶ In 2 trial, planning IMRT dichiaratamente “forward”

# Whole breast

▶ **IMRT riduce le disomogeneità all'interno del volume mammario**

- **% pazienti con sovra dosaggio**



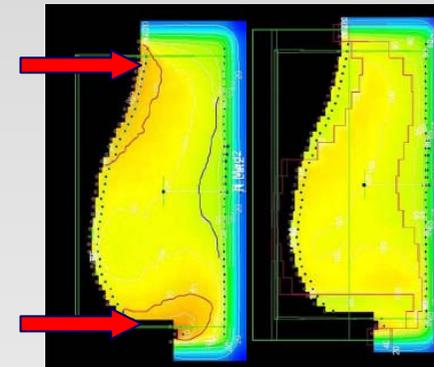
Donovan et al. 2007

- **Volume del sovra dosaggio**

Clinically significant maximum (median)	105.0	110.0
Sagittal dose gradient (median)	0.6	10.0
Relative volume receiving (mean)		
> 105% of the prescribed dose (V <sub>105</sub> )	7.7	16.9
> 107% of the prescribed dose (V <sub>107</sub> )	2.6	7.9
> 110% of the prescribed dose (V <sub>110</sub> )	0.5	2.1
> 115% of the prescribed dose (V <sub>115</sub> )	0.02	0.12

**P<0.001**

Pignol et al. 2008



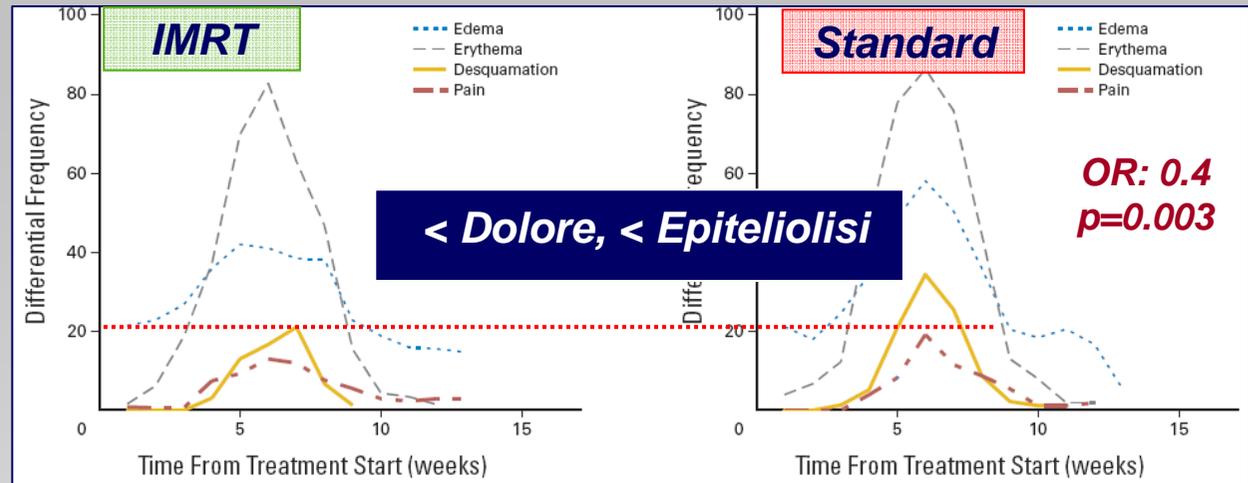
Absolute volume >107% (cm <sup>3</sup> )				
Mean	0.54	44.5	10.5	19.8
Range	0-2	0-540	0-368.9	0-540

**P<0.0005**

Barnett et al. 2011

# Whole breast

- ▶ **Riduce la tossicità acuta cutanea**



*Pignol et al. 2008*

- ▶ **Ha un possibile impatto sulla tossicità tardiva**

Proportion of patients with any clinician-assessed breast induration (a little, quite a bit or very much) within number of assessments performed according to randomisation arm, standard 2D dosimetry or 3D intensity modulated radiotherapy (IMRT)

	Year 2 assessment		Year 5 assessment		P-value (from GEE)
	Standard 2D	IMRT 3D	Standard 2D	IMRT 3D	
Centre of the breast	33/122 (27%)	19/117 (16%)	37/117 (32%)	25/118 (21%)	0.02
Pectoral fold	32/119 (27%)	13/113 (12%)	34/118 (29%)	26/119 (22%)	0.006
Inframammary fold	35/121 (29%)	18/113 (16%)	28/116 (24%)	20/117 (17%)	0.009
Boost site	65/120 (54%)	44/118 (37%)	70/114 (61%)	43/115 (37%)	<0.001

*Donovan et al. 2007*

## Whole breast

Variable	IMRT (n = 362)		Control (n = 365)		p
	No toxicity	Any toxicity	No toxicity	Any toxicity	
<b>Photographic</b>					
Shrinkage after RT	178	120	180	139	.41
Overall cosmesis	114	184	113	207	.45
<b>Clinical</b>					
Telangiectasia	280	49	266	76	.015
Breast edema	175	154	167	176	.24
Breast shrinkage	137	192	126	217	.19
Any induration	57	272	72	271	.23
Pigmentation	229	57	234	70	.36
<b>Patient reported</b>					
Breast pain	155	169	157	172	.98
Oversensitivity	188	135	202	128	.43

*Barnett et al. 2011*

- **Coesistenza di altri fattori (cosmesi post-chirurgia) sulla tossicità tardiva**

- **La scelta dell'end-point clinico può condizionare i risultati**

Variable	Surgical deficit		Surgical cosmesis	
	Spearman's rho	p	Spearman's rho	p
Pathologic tumor size	0.096	.0060	0.027	.0010
Specimen weight	0.18	< .00005	0.006	< .00005
Grade		.16		.089
Age	0.070	.042	0.029	.0003
Estrogen receptor status		.53		.64
Histologic group		.48		.60
Lymph node status		.93		.72
Body mass index		.12	0.037	.0065
Smoker status		.53		.24
Breast volume		.44		.75
Postoperative infection		.64		.13
Postoperative hematoma		.67		.091
Primary side		.077		.072

*Barnett et al. 2011*

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E D I T O R I A L

### Should Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy Be the Standard of Care in the Conservatively Managed Breast Cancer Patient?

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*... the primary goal of IMRT in the intact breast is to improve homogeneity of the dose distribution ... in other disease sites the major benefit is in improving conformality ...*

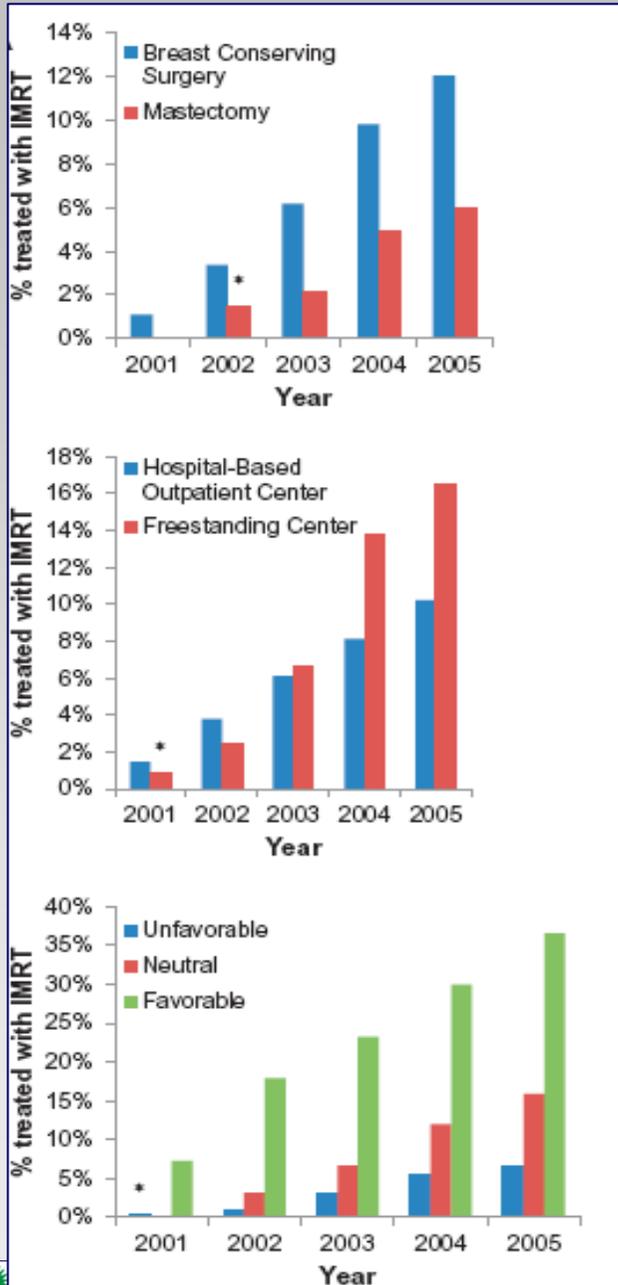
*... in breast IMRT is much less complex than in other sites ...*

*... there are dosimetric and clinical advantages with IMRT ...*

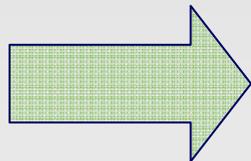
# Whole breast

## Adoption of Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy for Breast Cancer in the United States

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Predictor	OR	p
2001	1	< 0.001
2003	7.10	< 0.001
2005	15.81	< 0.001
White	1	-
Hispanic	0.94	0.86
Black	0.60	< 0.001
Low ROs Density	1	-
✓ High ROs Density	2.32	< 0.001
Hospital-based facility	1	-
✓ Free-standing facility	1.36	< 0.001
Right breast	1	-
✓ Left breast	1.30	< 0.001



**Incremento significativo se rimborso favorevole**  
**OR = 10.87; p < 0.001**

EDITORIAL

### IMRT for Breast Cancer—Balancing Outcomes, Patient Selection, and Resource Utilization

Lisa A. Kachnic, Simon N. Powell



- ... does target coverage and OARs sparing provided by IMRT produce a measurable improvement in treatment outcome over 3D-CRT?...*
- ... the current level of evidence is weak ...the benefit observed in RCTs could likely be achieved with simple segmentation ...*
- ... the true value of inverse-planned IMRT will most likely be for patients with complex anatomy, or for nodal targeting ...*

## On-going Studies

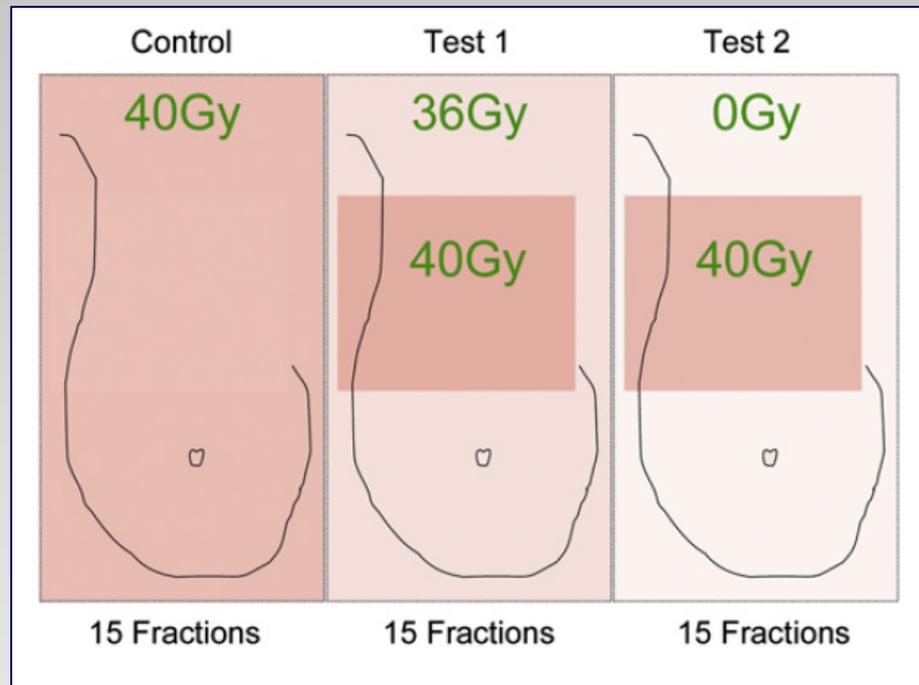
Study name	Principle research question	Number of patients	Status	Trial sponsor	Code
A clinical trial to reduce skin burn induced by breast radiotherapy using intensity-modulated radiation therapy	Phase III RCT of 2DRT versus IMRT	340	Completed	Sunnybrook Health Centre, Canada	NCT 00187343
Prospective randomised clinical trial testing 5.7 Gy and 6.0 Gy fractions of whole breast radiotherapy in terms of late normal tissue responses and tumour control (FAST)	Phase III RCT of standardly versus hypofractionated IMRT	900	Completed	Institute of Cancer Research, UK	ISRCTN 62488883
A randomised phase II trial comparison of radiation therapy techniques in the management of node-positive breast cancer	Phase I/II RCT of 2DRT versus IMRT	Not stated	Recruiting	University of Michigan Cancer Center, USA	NCT 00581256
Randomised trial testing intensity-modulated radiotherapy and partial organ radiotherapy following breast conservation surgery for early breast cancer (IMPORT LOW)	Phase III RCT of standard radiotherapy versus partial breast IMRT	1935	Recruiting	Institute of Cancer Research, UK	ISRCTN 12852634
Randomised trial testing dose escalated intensity-modulated radiotherapy in women with higher than average local tumour recurrence risk after breast conservation therapy for early breast cancer (IMPORT HIGH)	Phase III RCT of standard IMRT versus concomitantly boosted $\pm$ dose-escalation IMRT	840	In set-up	Institute of Cancer Research, UK	ISRCTN 4743744

Staffurth, 2010

## Partial breast irradiation



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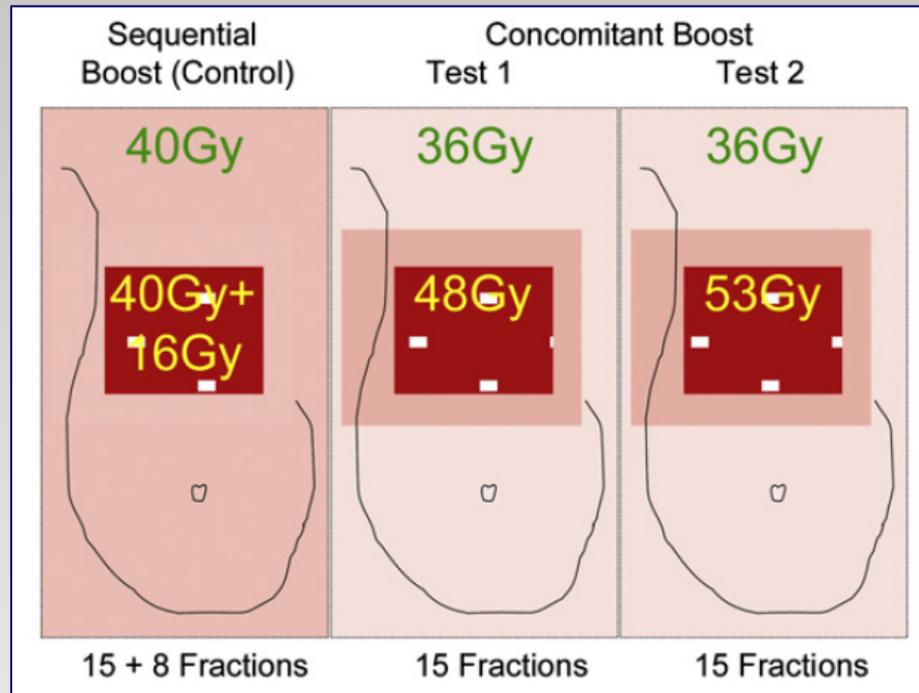
- ▶ **Open: May 2007**
- ▶ **Planned accrual: 1935 pts**
- ▶ **End point: Local control**
  - Site of relapse
  - Contralateral tumors
  - Late effects
  - QoL
  - Economic evaluation

## IMPORT-LOW Trial

## Dose-escalation - SIB



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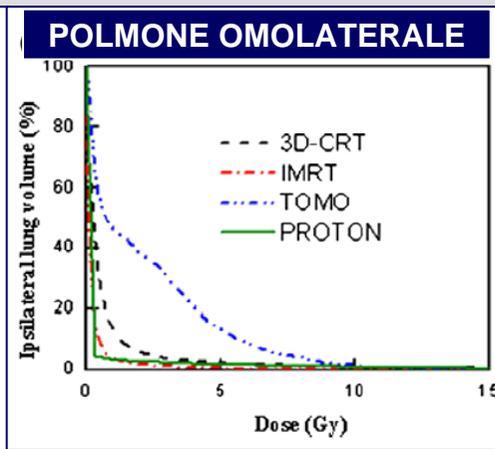
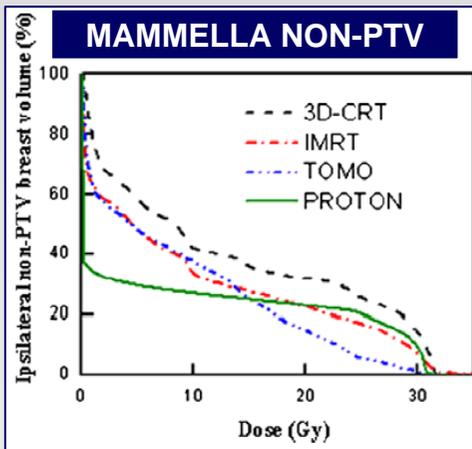
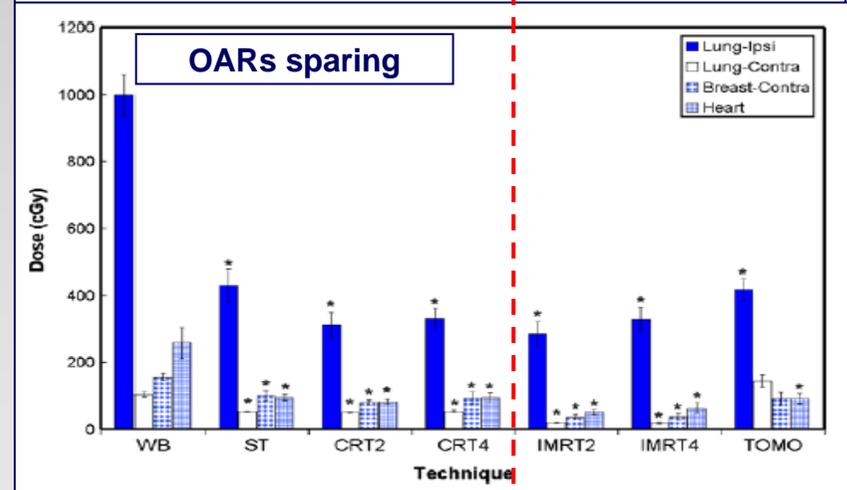
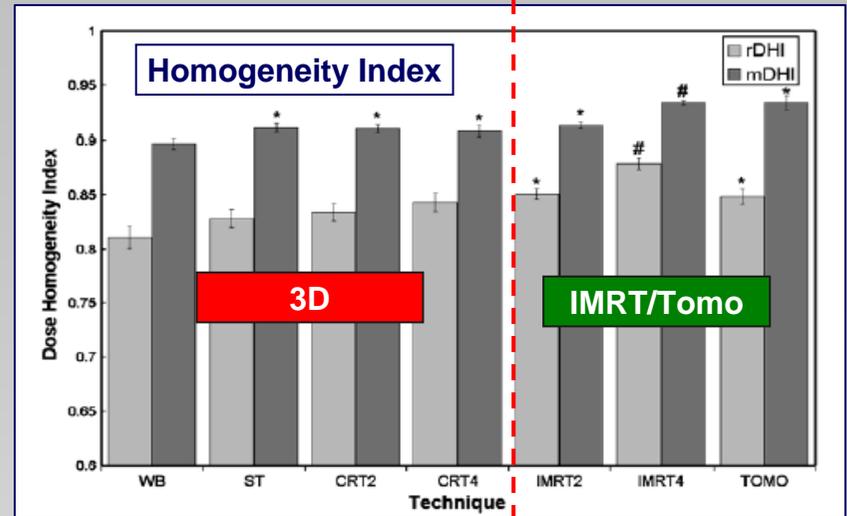
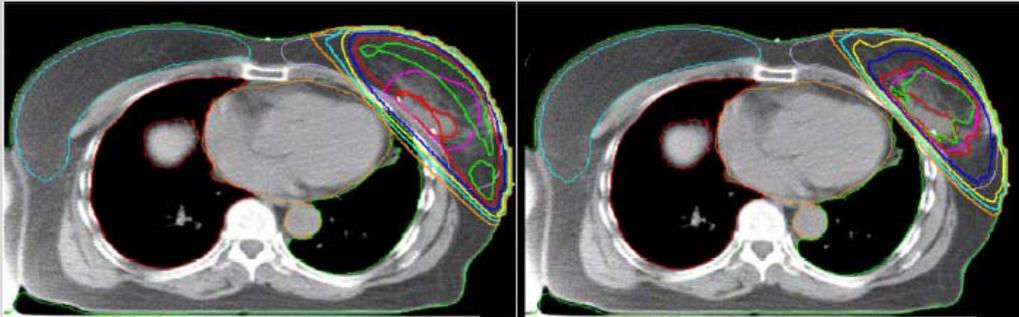


- ▶ Open: Jan 2009
- ▶ Planned accrual: 840 pts
- ▶ End point: breast fibrosis
  - Local control
  - Site of relapse
  - Contralateral tumors
  - Late effects

## IMPORT-HIGH Trial

# Partial breast irradiation

- ▶ Il vantaggio rispetto ai trattamenti standard è legato al gradiente
- ▶ Si guadagna in risparmio OARs, a parità di omogeneità



Oliver et al. 2007

Moon et al. 2009

# Partial breast irradiation

	3D-RT (%)	IMRT (%)	$\Delta$ (%)	t test	Data points improved w/ IMRT (%)	Mean reduction with IMRT (%)
<b>Mammella omolaterale</b>						
V <sub>25</sub>	60.3	56.9	3.4	<0.01	78	6
V <sub>50</sub>	48.2	42.5	5.6	<0.01	91	12
V <sub>75</sub>	37.4	31.2	6.3	<0.01	100	17
V <sub>100</sub>	22.1	9.5	12.6	<0.01	87	57

- **Specie in condizioni "sfavorevoli"** (elevato rapporto PTV/mammella)

## ► **Gli studi clinici (pochi) confermano una ridotta tossicità con PBI-IMRT**

- Soggettiva (dolore)
  - 29% mild / moderate breast discomfort
- Obiettiva (acuta cutanea)
  - RTOG-G2: 0.8% vs. 19%

*Reeder et al. IJROBP 2009 (Ph. II)*

*Livi et al. IJROBP 2010 (Ph. III)*

### PHYSICS CONTRIBUTION

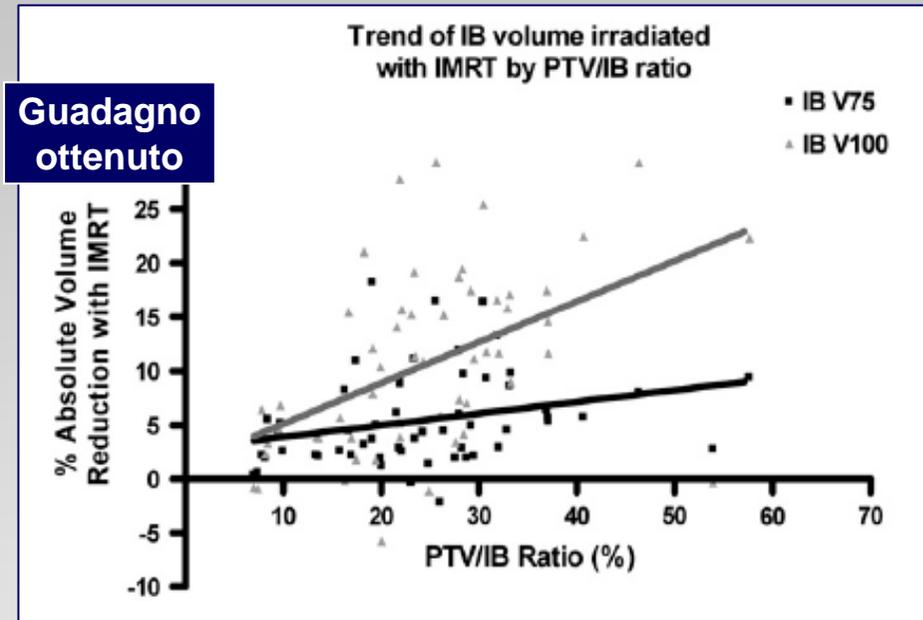
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ACCELERATED PARTIAL-BREAST INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIATION THERAPY RESULTS IN IMPROVED DOSE DISTRIBUTION WHEN COMPARED WITH THREE-DIMENSIONAL TREATMENT-PLANNING TECHNIQUES

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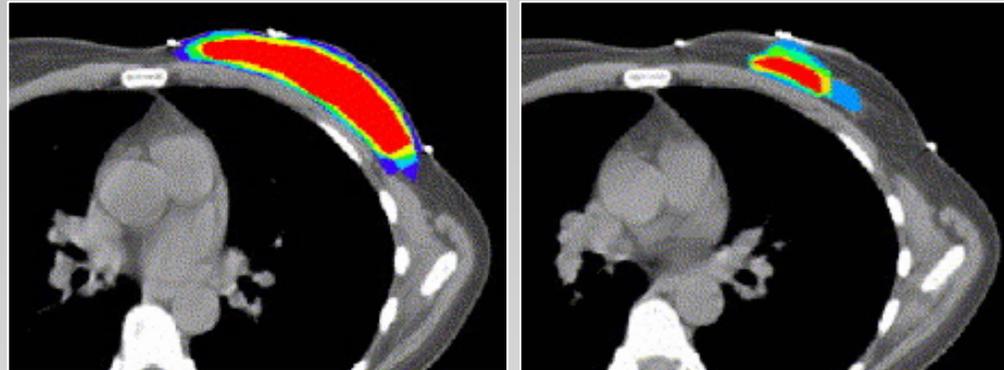
**No Random**

### Guadagno ottenuto



## Partial breast irradiation

- ▶ La definizione corretta del PTV è tanto più delicata quanto maggiore è il gradiente ottenuto



Struikmans et al 2005

- ▶ È necessario minimizzare le inaccuranze

Titanium clip placement to allow accurate tumour bed localisation following breast conserving surgery – Audit on behalf of the IMPORT Trial Management Group

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### CLINICAL INVESTIGATION

Breast

#### CLINICAL EXPERIENCE WITH IMAGE-GUIDED RADIOTHERAPY IN AN ACCELERATED PARTIAL BREAST INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY PROTOCOL

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# Partial breast irradiation

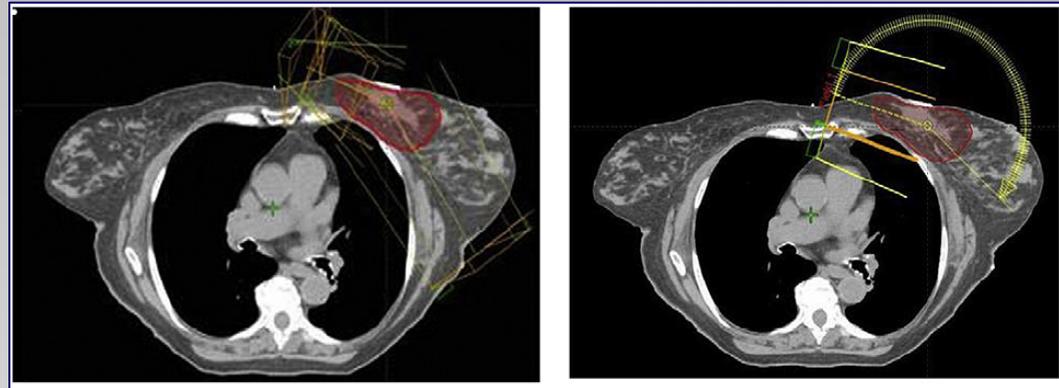
## PHYSICS CONTRIBUTION

IMPACT OF VOLUMETRIC MODULATED ARC THERAPY TECHNIQUE ON TREATMENT WITH PARTIAL BREAST IRRADIATION

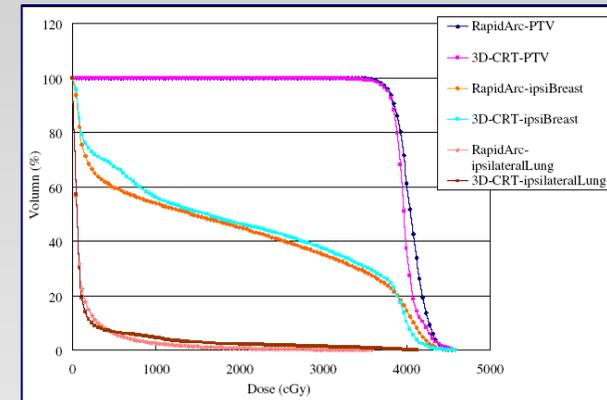
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No Random

- ▶ IMRT volumetrica (IGRT integrata)



- ▶ Riduzione della dose agli OARs (omolaterali)
- ▶ NON significativo incremento della dose agli OARs controlaterali



	3D-CRT	V-MAT	<i>p</i>
mean MU ( <i>SD</i> )	634 (123)	488 (38)	0.017
mean delivery time ( <i>SD</i> )	6.30 (1.4)	1.21 (0.1)	<0.001

- ▶ Delivery più efficiente

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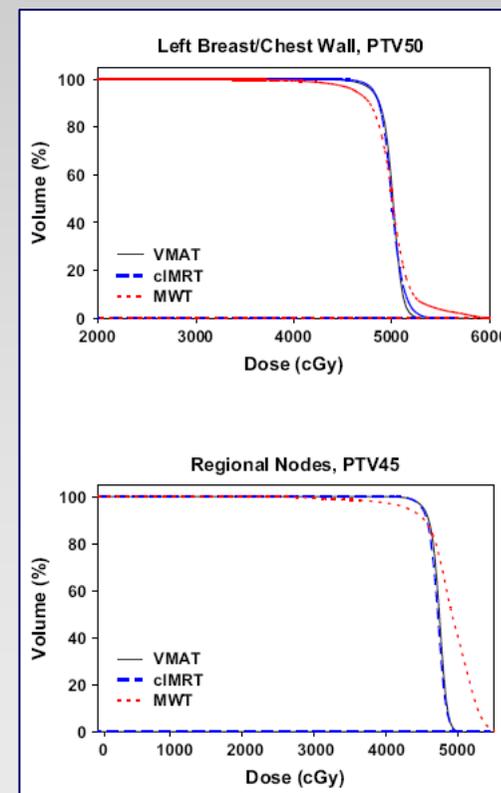
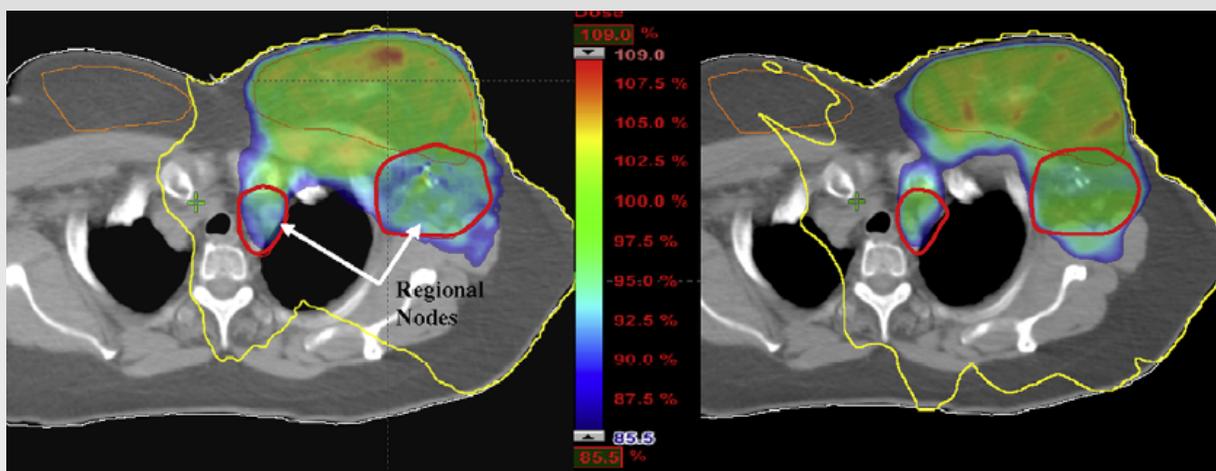
### PHYSICS CONTRIBUTION

VOLUMETRIC MODULATED ARC THERAPY IMPROVES DOSIMETRY AND REDUCES TREATMENT TIME COMPARED TO CONVENTIONAL INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIO THERAPY FOR LOCOREGIONAL RADIO THERAPY OF LEFT-SIDED BREAST CANCER AND INTERNAL MAMMARY NODES

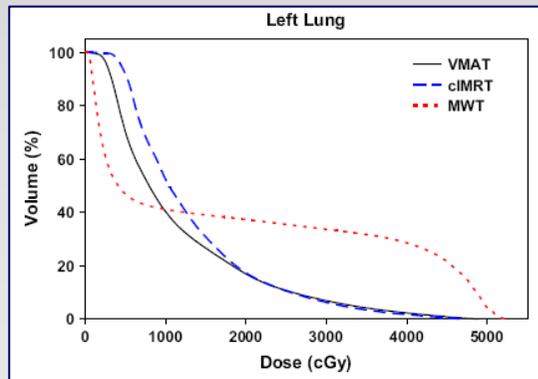
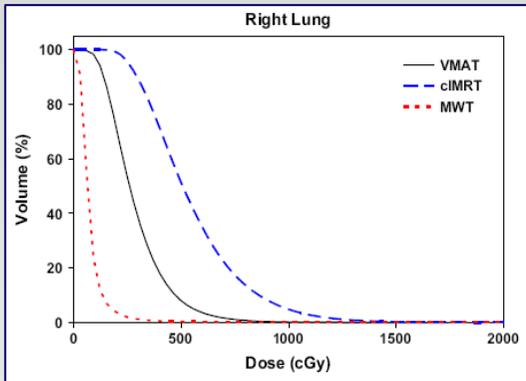
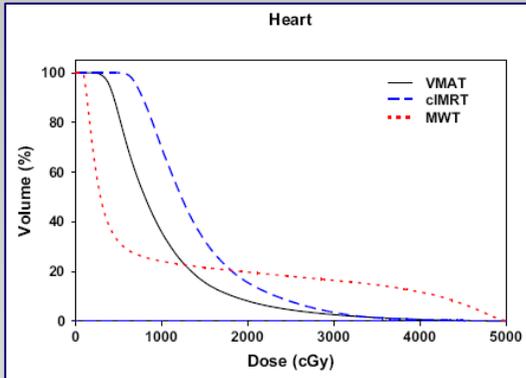
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No Random

- ▶ Nessuna differenza in omogeneità, conformità e copertura PTV rispetto a IMRT convenzionale



- **Significativo risparmio di tutti gli OARs, specie alle basse dosi**

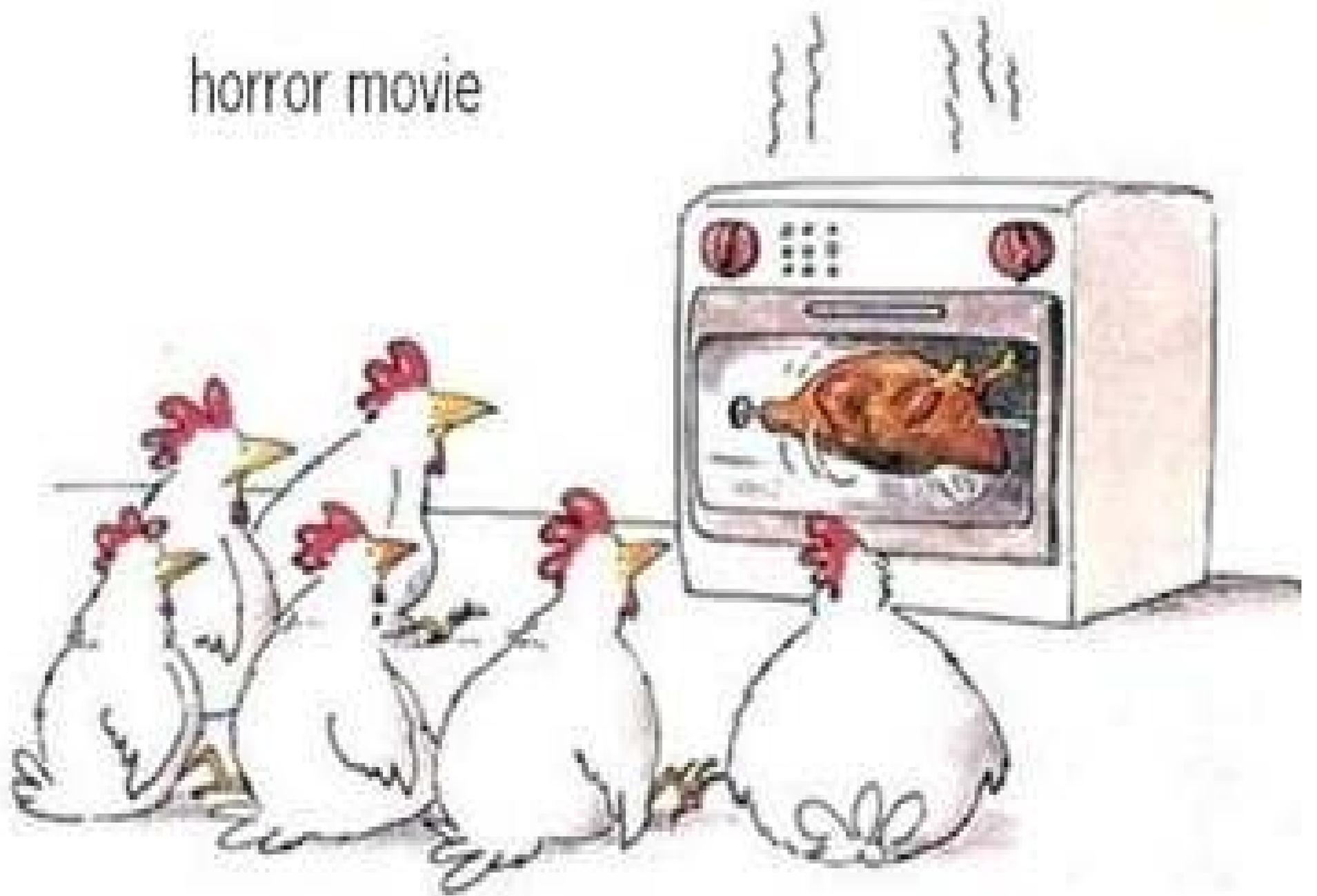


OAR	parametro	V-MAT	IMRT	p
Cuore	D media	10.9	14.1	<0.05
	V45	0.3	0.1	ns
	V30	2.6	3.5	ns
	V10	35.7	69.6	<0.05
	V5	83	00	<0.05
Polmone omolaterale	D media	11.6	13.1	<0.05
	V20	16.9	17.3	ns
	V10	40.3	52.4	<0.05
	V5	70.2	91.9	<0.05
Polmone controlaterale	D media	2.9	5.5	<0.05
	V5	8.1	51.3	<0.05
Mammella controlaterale	D media	3.2	4.3	ns
	V5	53.3	130.9	<0.05

- **Impatto sul delivery (MU e treatment time)**

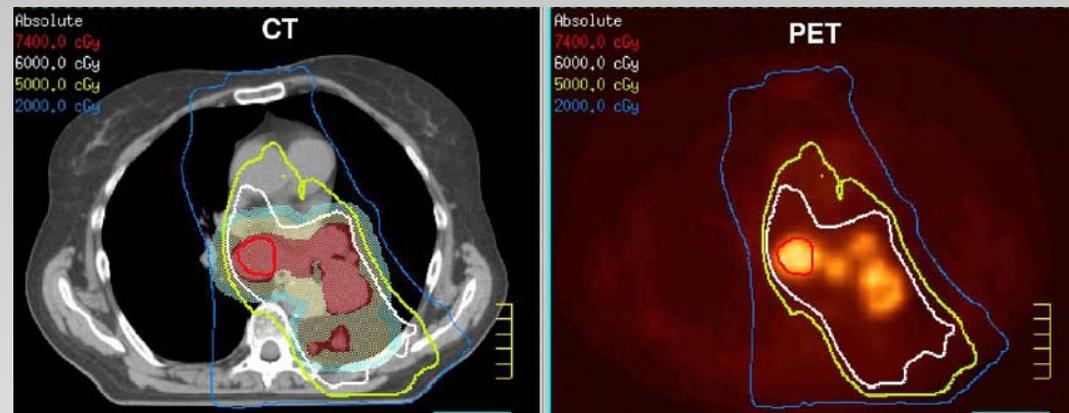
	IMRT	V-MAT
mean MU	1254	862
mean delivery time	8.8	3.9

horror movie



## Polmone

- ▶ Maggiore conformazione della dose → **Dose-Escalation**
- ▶ *Dose-painting* su aree ipossiche o metabolicamente iperattive



*Chang, Cox 2010*

- ▶ I limiti sono sede-specifici:
  - Organ motion → Target missing  
QA dosimetrico
  - Tossicità polmonare radioindotta (basse dosi)

- ▶ Raccomandabile l'utilizzo di apparecchiature / dispositivi / protocolli che limitino **OM < 5mm** (4D-CT, Breath-hold, Gating, Tracking...)



<http://www3.cancer.gov/rrp/imrt.doc>

- ▶ Se il frazionamento è convenzionale, l'organ motion incide relativamente sulla differenza tra dose pianificata e dose erogata (< 1%), in modo non significativo rispetto a quanto accade con 3D-CRT

*Bortfeld et al. 2002*

*Chui et al. 2003*

- ▶ La dose integrale e il volume polmonare irradiato a basse dosi sembrano correlati al numero di fasci utilizzato, alla tecnica IMRT (statica vs. dinamica), oltre che alle MU erogate

*Chang, Cox 2010*

# Polmone

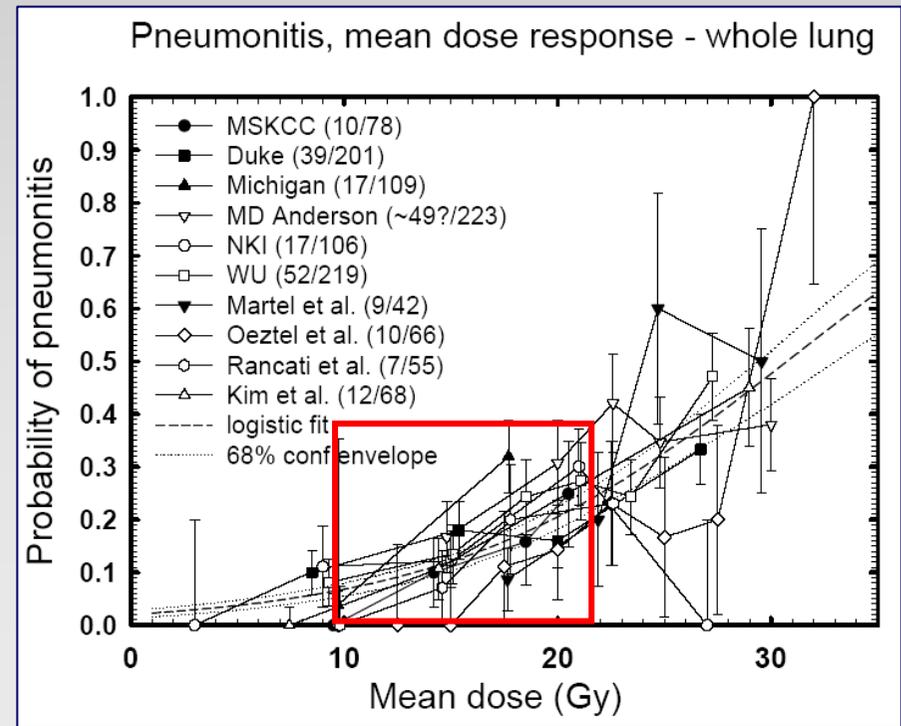
Table 3. Difference in lung dose and volume between 3D-CRT and IMRT plans

Statistic	V <sub>5</sub> (%)	V <sub>10</sub> (%)	V <sub>20</sub> (%)	V <sub>30</sub> (%)	V <sub>eff</sub> (%)	MLD (Gy)
Minimum	-25.0	-3.8	1.2	1.0	2.3	0.5
Maximum	0.7	5.8	12.0	11.9	17.7	4.4
Median	-8.0	1.6	8.0	8.9	9.0	2.0
p	0.007	0.169	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005

Abbreviations: V<sub>5</sub>, V<sub>10</sub>, V<sub>20</sub>, V<sub>30</sub> = lung volume that received >5, >10, >20, >30 Gy; V<sub>eff</sub> = biologically effective volume; MLD = mean lung dose.  
 Negative value indicates greater dose or volume treated in IMRT plans compared with 3D-CRT plans, and vice versa.

Liu et al. 2004

- ▶ L'incremento della irradiazione polmonare alle basse dosi (V5, V10) sembrerebbe un prezzo necessario da pagare
- ▶ Compensato dal guadagno offerto in risparmio di V20, V30, MLD
- ▶ Corrispondente ad una riduzione del 10% del rischio di polmoniti radioindotte



Courtesy of J. Bradley

## Polmone

- L'impiego di metodi di delivery della dose più efficienti (minori MU)

*Liu et al. 2004*

- L'utilizzo di un numero limitato di fasci (i.e. < 9)

*Murshed et al. 2004*

- Una pianificazione IMRT statica (step & shoot)

*Schwarz et al. 2005*

- ▶ Sono associate alla possibilità di contenere la dose integrale e l'esposizione di parenchima sano a basse dosi a livelli non significativamente differenti da quanto ottenibile con 3D-CRT

- ▶ Il beneficio in termini di dose-escalation offerto dalla IMRT è ulteriormente evidente in caso di target complessi (concavi e di dimensioni elevate), per i quali è ottenibile un incremento del 17% rispetto alla 3D-CRT

### PHYSICS CONTRIBUTION



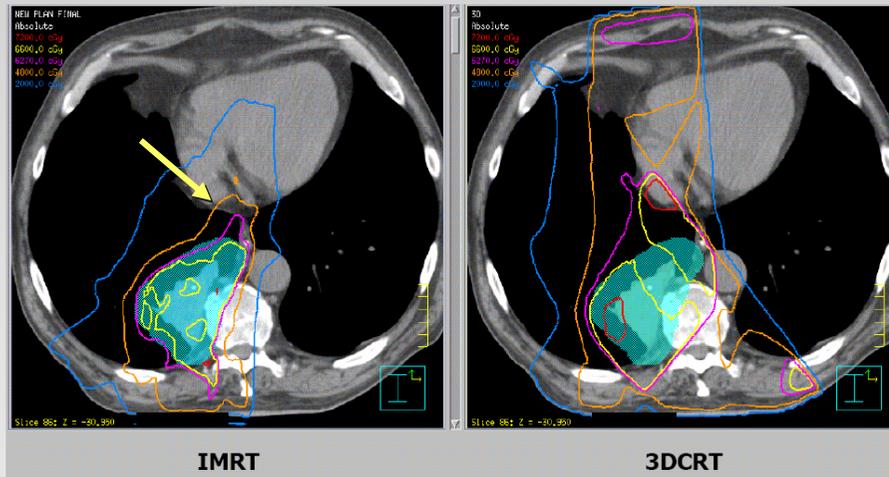
#### DOSE HETEROGENEITY IN THE TARGET VOLUME AND INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY TO ESCALATE THE DOSE IN THE TREATMENT OF NON-SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER

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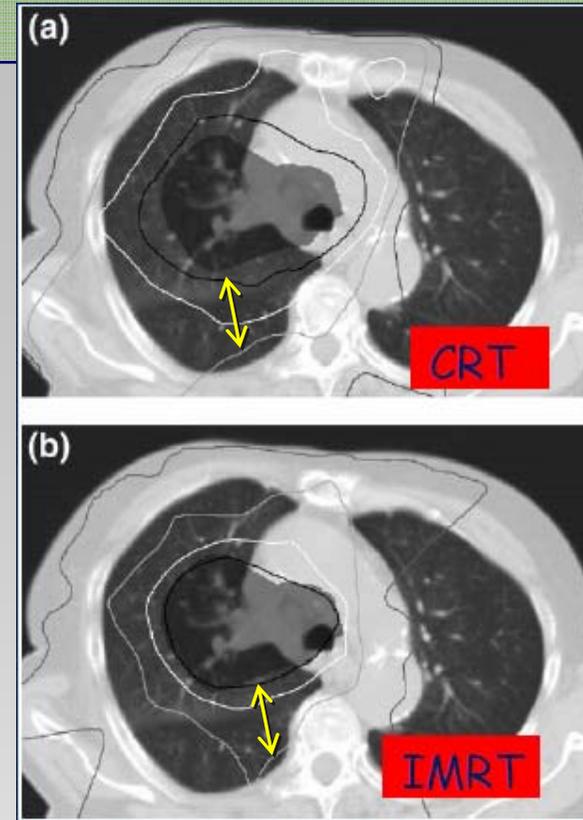
# Polmone

IMRT vs. 3D-CRT: è sempre meglio?

“ ... maggiore conformazione della dose, maggior gradiente al di fuori del bersaglio rispetto a 3D-CRT... ”



Grills et al. 2003



Schwarz et al. 2005

“ ... il beneficio evidente nei pazienti N+ e in lesioni centrali ...  
... IMRT può consentire, a parità di constraints, dosi 25-30% maggiori ... ”

# Polmone

	RCTs	Pz.	Non RCTs	Pz.	On going	Pz.
Polmone	-	-	1	290	2	n.s.

**No Random**

**CLINICAL INVESTIGATION**

**INITIAL EVALUATION OF TREATMENT-RELATED PNEUMONITIS IN ADVANCED-STAGE NON-SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER PATIENTS TREATED WITH CONCURRENT CHEMOTHERAPY AND INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY**

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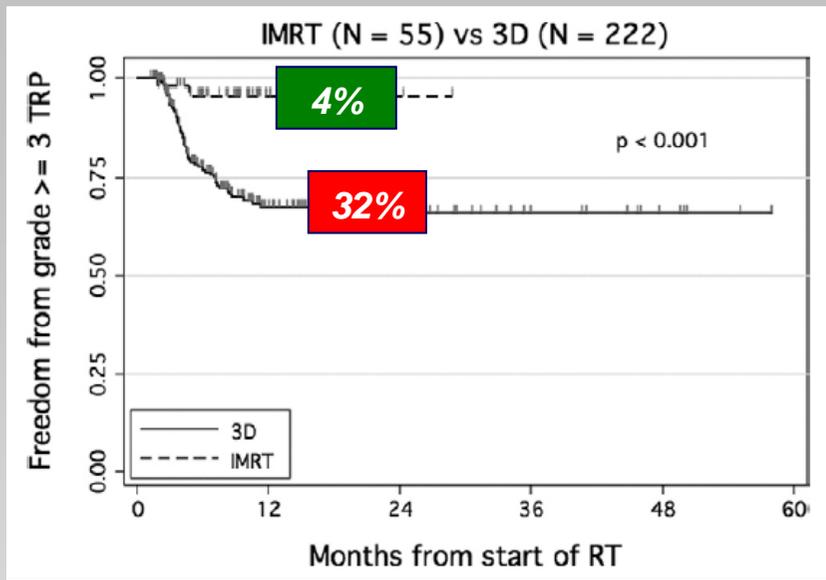
**INFLUENCE OF TECHNOLOGIC ADVANCES ON OUTCOMES IN PATIENTS WITH UNRESECTABLE, LOCALLY ADVANCED NON-SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER RECEIVING CONCOMITANT CHEMORADIOTHERAPY**

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- ▶ Confronto retrospettico tra due coorti di pazienti trattate con RT+CT
  - ▶ End point primario: *treatment-related pneumonitis*
- ... ma anche confronto di outcome

# Polmone

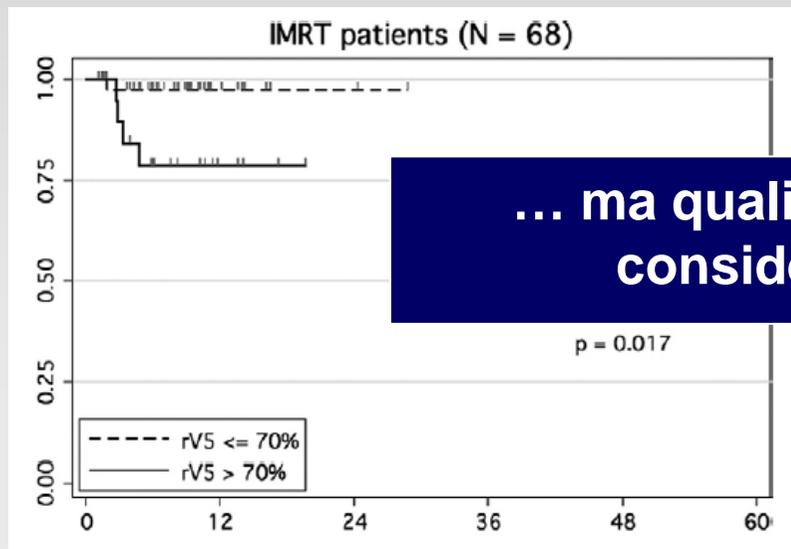


Yom et al. 2007

► Riduzione della TRP severa

► Correlata alla dosimetria

	IMRT	3D-CRT	<i>p</i>
V5	63	57	0.011
V10	48	49	ns
V20	35	38	<0.001
V30	29	32	<0.001
	19	21	0.043
	8	10	0.009
V70	<1	1	Ns

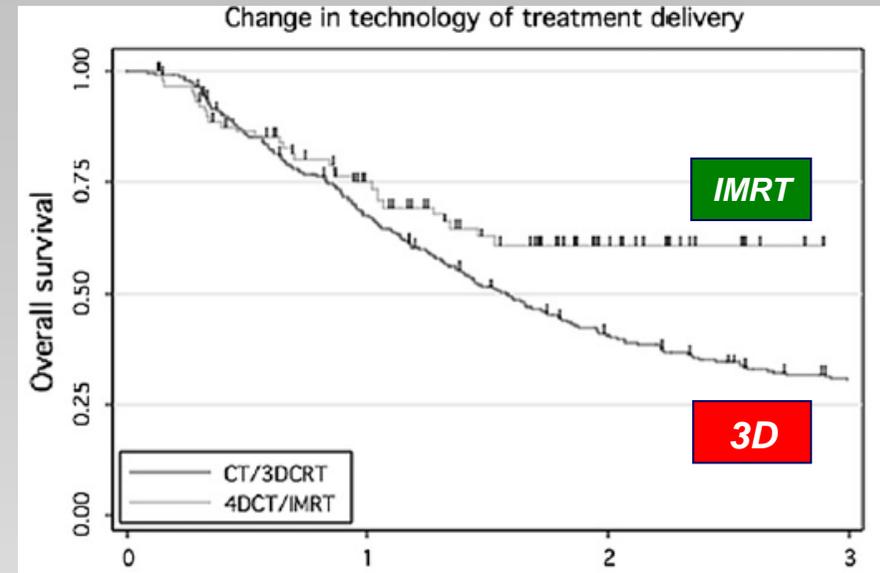


... ma quali parametri considerare ?...

## Update del 2010 su 91 pazienti

- ▶ Impatto positivo della IMRT sull'outcome

	HR	
Local failure	0.37	<b>Favouring IMRT</b>
Metastasis	0.81	
Death	<b>0.039</b>	
Toxicity	<b>0.017</b>	



Liao et al. 2010

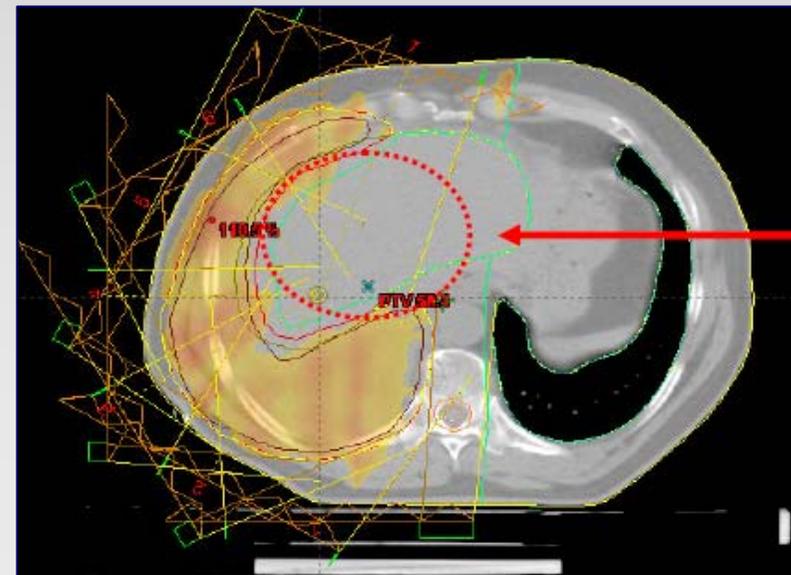
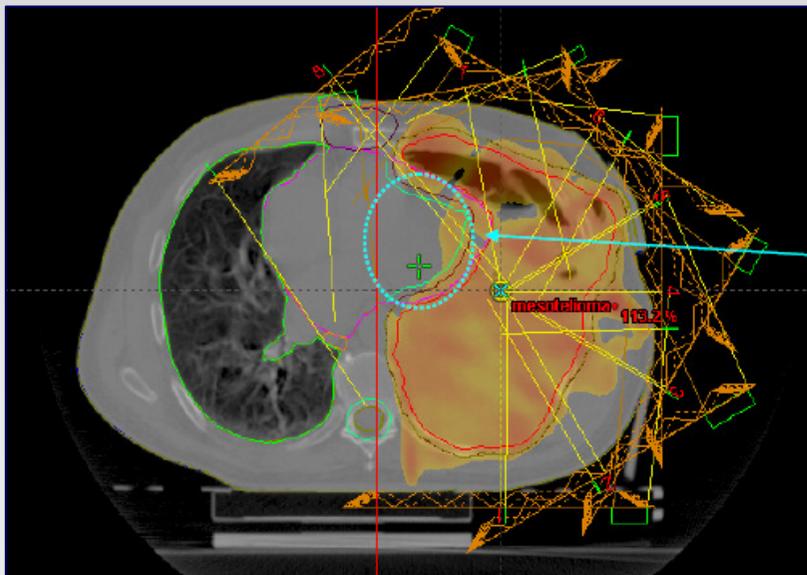
- ▶ Conferma dei risultati dosimetrici
  - IMRT superiore a 3D-CRT alle dosi considerate significative per la definizione dei constraints (V20-V30)
  - Incremento della irradiazione polmonare alle basse dosi con IMRT

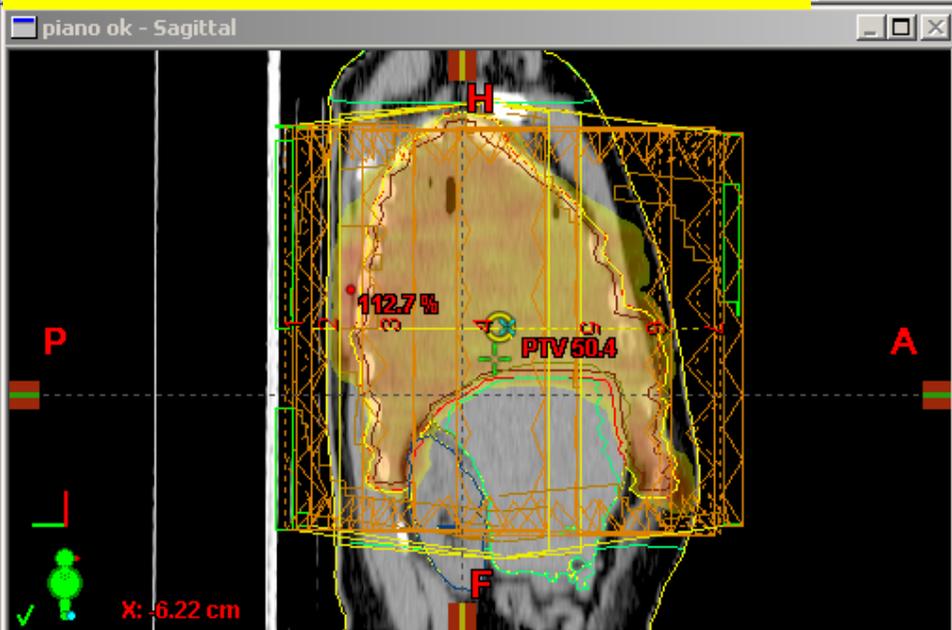
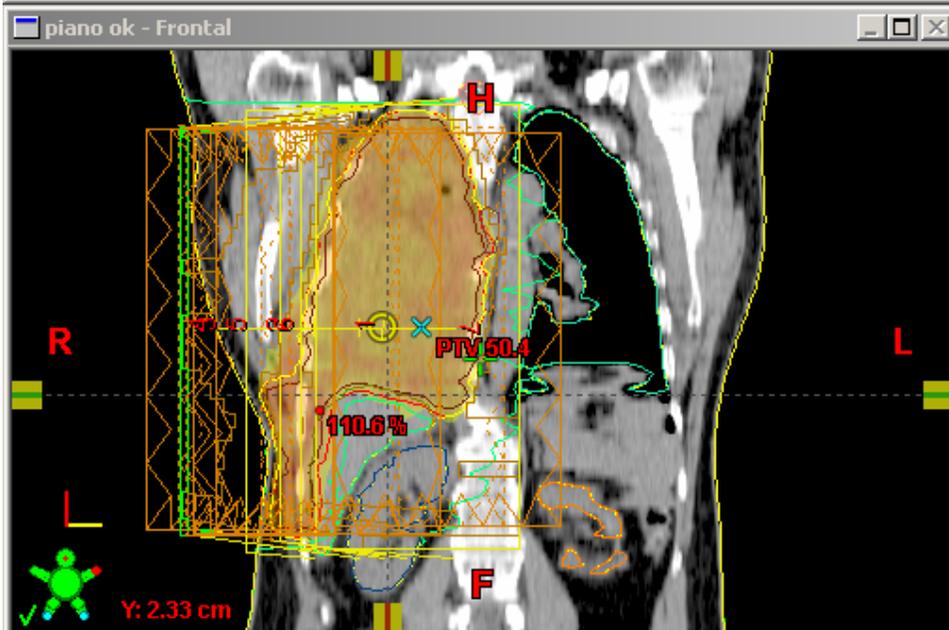
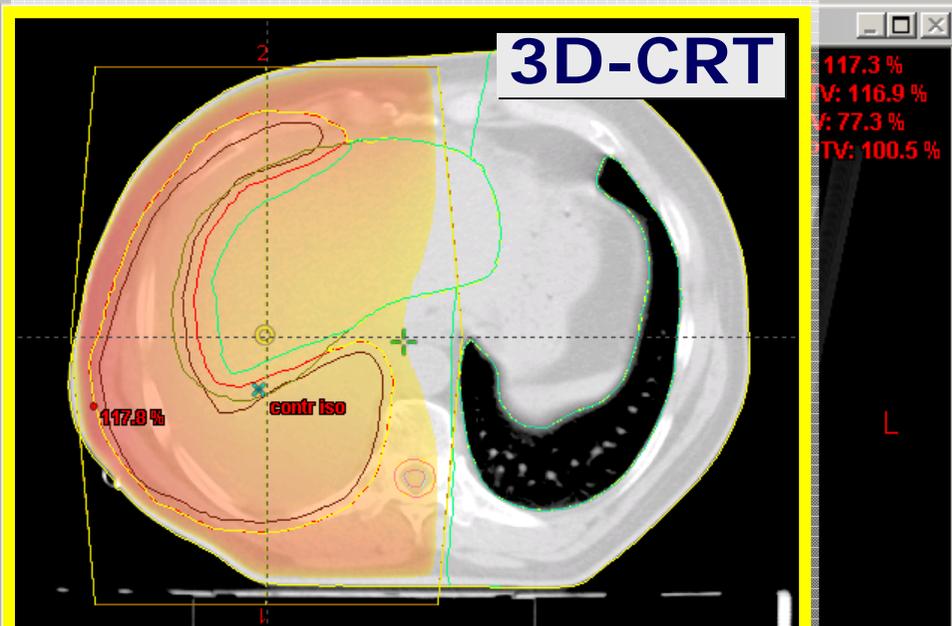
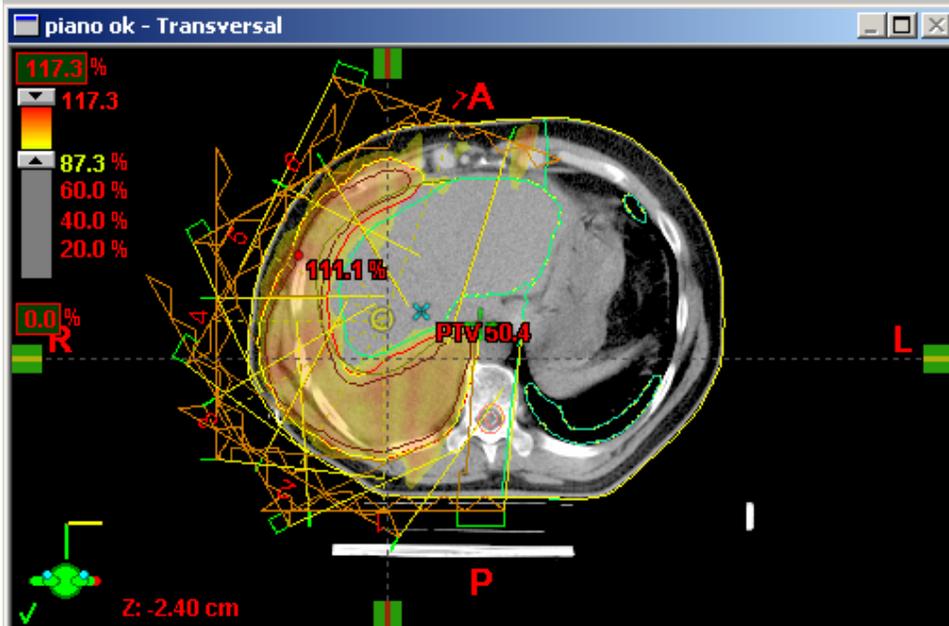


**Impatto clinico?**

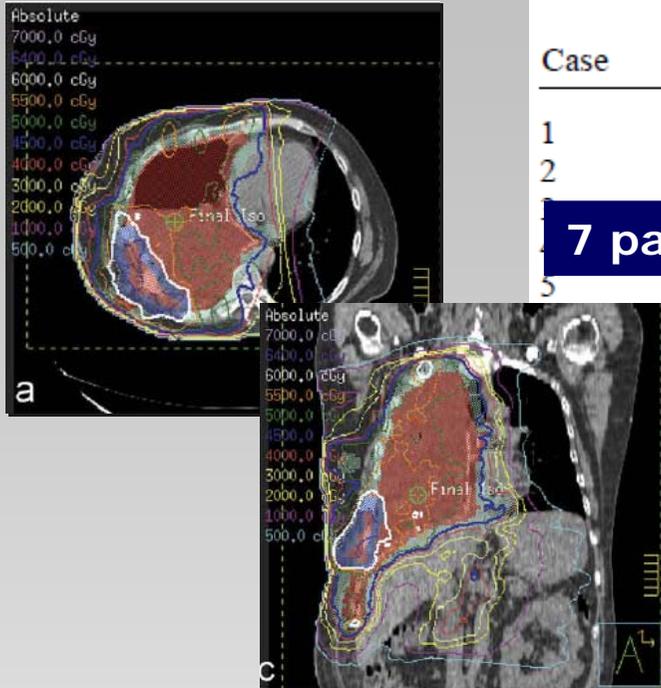
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- ▶ Si aboliscono i fasci di elettroni e le incertezze dosimetriche conseguenti
- ▶ La copertura del PTV è superiore rispetto a 3D-CRT
- ▶ È possibile ottenere un risparmio della irradiazione a livello di alcuni OARs (prevalentemente omolaterali)
- ▶ La irradiazione delle strutture sane controlaterali è incrementata





# Mesotelioma



**7 pazienti !**

Case	Volume of CTV (mL)	% CTV covered to 50 Gy	Volume of bCTV (mL)	% bCTV covered to 60 Gy	OAR tolerance exceeded
1	5410	93	117	96	Yes <sup>†</sup>
2	4248	98	691	99	Yes*
3	5227	96	N/A	N/A	Yes <sup>†</sup>
4	5227	94	N/A	N/A	No
5	3003	93	N/A	N/A	Yes <sup>†</sup>
6	2667	95	N/A	N/A	Yes <sup>†</sup>
7	4381	92	494	82	No
8	4366	94	434	92	No
9	1581	2	348	9	No

Ahamad et al. 2003

- ▶ Buona copertura del bersaglio/i
- ▶ Disomogeneità
- ▶ Rispetto dei constraints OARs



Target or organ	Goal dose or constraint dose
CTV	50 Gy in 25 fractions
bCTV	60 Gy in 25 fractions
Lung	<20% to receive >20 Gy
Liver	<30% to receive >30 Gy
Kidney	<20% to receive >15 Gy
Heart	<50% to receive >45 Gy
Spinal cord	<10% to receive >45 Gy
Esophagus	No portion to receive >50 Gy
	<30% to receive >55 Gy



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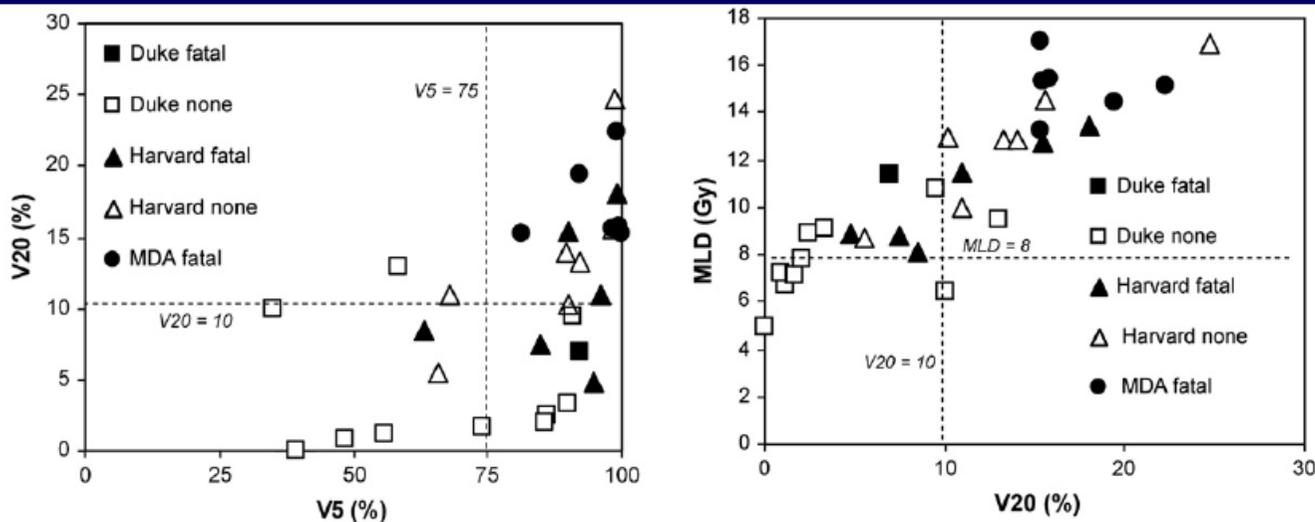
Site (reference)	RT technique median dose	Timing of chemotherapy (no. of patients)	Tumor histology	No. of patients	Median survival time (months)	% local failure*	Pulmonary toxicity (no. of patients) <sup>†</sup>
Dana Farber (15, 30)	30 Gy hemithorax + 20-25 Gy boost	Postoperative	59% E 41% B+S	120	21	9	N/R
M. D. Anderson (24, 27, 43)	45-50 Gy IMRT + 10 Gy boost	"Not Routine"	67% E 24% B 9% S	100 EPP <sup>†</sup> 63 EPP+RT	14.2	13 <sup>††</sup>	38% (grade 2-3) 9.5% (fatal <sup>§</sup> )
Dana Farber (42)	54 Gy hemithorax IMRT	Neoadjuvant (2) Intraoperative (12) Postoperative (10)	62% E 38% B 0% S	13	11 <sup>  </sup>	N/R	6 (46%, grade 5)
Duke (4)	45 Gy hemithorax/IS/nodes + 10-15 Gy boost	Neoadjuvant (2) Postoperative (10)	77% E 23% B 0% S	13	Not reached	46	<b>23%</b> 3 (grade 2+) 1 (grade 5)
The Netherlands Cancer Institute (20)	54 Gy IMRT	None	93% E 7% B S excluded	15 EPP 12 EPP+RT	29	45 <sup>¶</sup>	N/R

Investigator, institution	Fatality rate (%)	Median radiation dose (Gy)	With vs. without fatal pulmonary toxicity		
			MLD (Gy)	V <sub>20</sub> (%)	V <sub>5</sub> (%)
Allen <i>et al.</i> (5), Harvard	6/13 (46)	54	15 vs. 13 ( <i>p</i> = 0.07)	18 vs. 11 ( <i>p</i> = 0.08)	99 vs. 90 ( <i>p</i> = 0.20)
Rice <i>et al.</i> (21), MDACC	6/63 (9.5)	45	11 vs. 8 ( <i>p</i> = 0.003)	11 vs. 4 ( <i>p</i> = <0.001)	88 vs. 72 ( <i>p</i> = 0.054)
Miles <i>et al.</i> , DUKE	1/13 (7.7)	45	11 vs. 8 ( <i>p</i> = NS)	7 vs. 4 ( <i>p</i> = NS)	92 vs. 66 ( <i>p</i> = NS)

Qual è il parametro maggiormente predittivo di tossicità polmonare?

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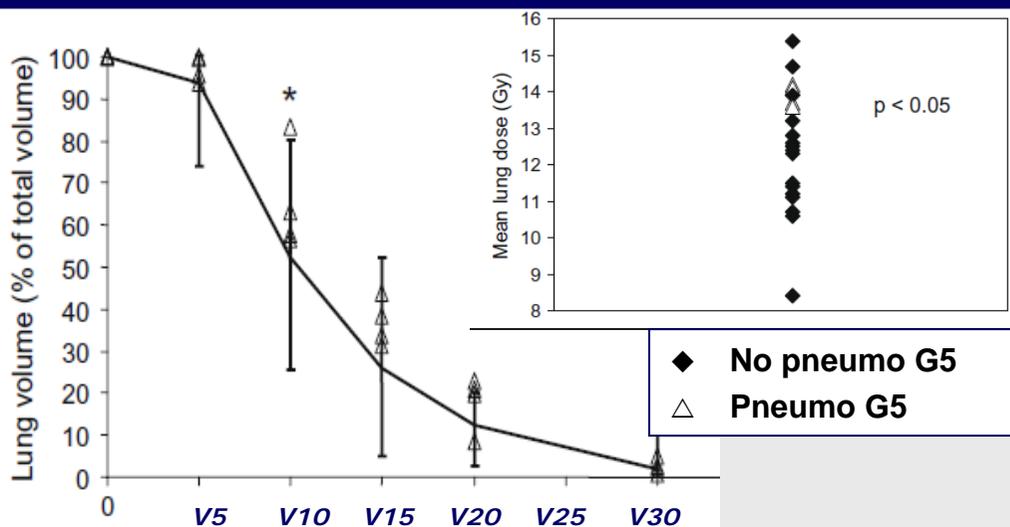
## ▶ 13 pazienti; EEP → 40-55 Gy (+ CT)



- ▶  $MLD \leq 8-10$  Gy
- ▶  $V20 \leq 4-10\%$
- ▶  $V5 \leq 75\%$

*Miles et al. 2008*

## ▶ 26 pazienti; ICT → EEP → 50 + 10 Gy



- ▶  $MLD < 12$  Gy
- ▶  $V20 < 15\%$
- ▶  $V10 < 50\%$

*Kristensen et al. 2009*

## REVIEW ARTICLE

### Expert Opinions of the First Italian Consensus Conference on the Management of Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma

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- CTV: 50–54 Gy in 25 fractions for irradiate entire surgical bed, 60 Gy to positive margins (in 25–30 fractions)
- Lung: V20 <10% (7% if possible), with mean dose ≤8.5 Gy
- Liver: V30 <30%
- Contralateral kidney: V15 <20%
- Heart: V45 <50%
- Spinal cord: V45 <10%; maximum dose <50 Gy
- Esophagus: V55 <30%
- In the absence of phase III randomized trials, the panel recommends prospective controlled studies to evaluate the efficacy and tolerability of adjuvant radiotherapy after extrapleural pneumonectomy with a minimum dose of 50 Gy.
- The use of IMRT after extrapleural pneumonectomy should nonetheless be the subject of further investigations and should be used in clinical research studies.
- Radiotherapy after radical surgery (EPP) could avoid local relapse in the majority of cases.
- The rarity of this pathology makes it desirable to share clinical protocols in Centers with an adequate clinical experience in this field.

### VOLUMETRIC MODULATION ARC RADIOTHERAPY COMPARED WITH STATIC GANTRY INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY FOR MALIGNANT PLEURAL MESOTHELIOMA TUMOR: A FEASIBILITY STUDY

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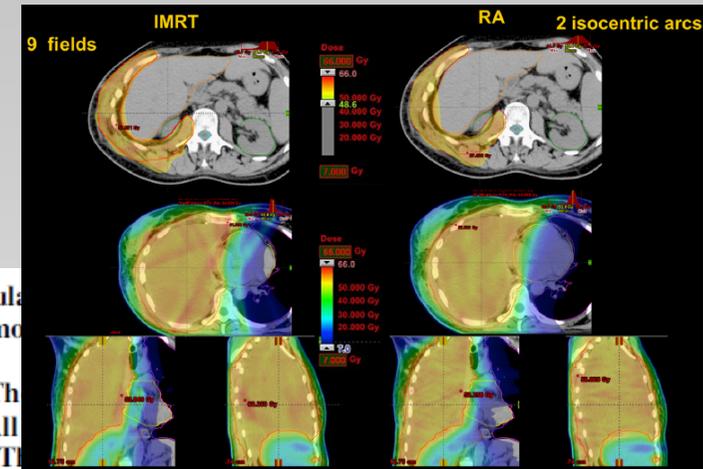


**Purpose:** A planning study was performed to evaluate RapidArc (RA), a volumetric modulation malignant pleural mesothelioma. The benchmark was conventional fixed-field intensity-modulated (IMRT).

**Methods and materials:** The computed tomography data sets of 6 patients were included. The nine fixed beams were compared against double-modulated arcs with a single isocenter. All for 15-MV photon beams. The dose prescription was 54 Gy to the planning target volume. The parameters for the planning target volume were a minimal dose of >95% and maximal dose of <107%. For the organs at risk, the parameters were as follows: contralateral lung, percentage of volume receiving 5 Gy ( $V_{5Gy}$ ) <60%,  $V_{20Gy}$  < 10%, mean <10.0 Gy; liver,  $V_{30Gy}$  <33%, mean <31 Gy; heart,  $V_{45Gy}$  <30%,  $V_{50Gy}$  <20%, dose received by 1% of the volume ( $D_{1\%}$ ) <60 Gy; contralateral kidney,  $V_{15Gy}$  <20%; spine,  $D_{1\%}$  <45 Gy; esophagus,  $V_{55Gy}$  <30%; and spleen,  $V_{40Gy}$  <50%. The monitor units (MUs) and delivery time were scored to measure the treatment efficiency. The pretreatment portal dosimetry scored delivery to the calculation agreement with the Gamma Agreement Index.

**Results:** RA and IMRT provided equivalent coverage and homogeneity. Both techniques fulfilled objectives on organs at risk with a tendency of RA to improve sparing. The conformity index was  $1.9 \pm 0.1$  for RA and IMRT. The number of MU/2Gy was  $734 \pm 82$  for RA and  $2,195 \pm 317$  for IMRT. The planning vs. delivery agreement revealed a Gamma Agreement Index for IMRT of  $96.0\% \pm 2.6\%$  and for RA of  $95.7\% \pm 1.5\%$ . The treatment time was  $3.7 \pm 0.3$ min for RA and  $13.4 \pm 0.1$ min for IMRT.

**Conclusion:** RA demonstrated compared with conventional IMRT, similar target coverage and better dose sparing to the organs at risks. The number of MUs and the time required to deliver a 2-Gy fraction were much lower for RA, allowing the possibility to incorporate this technique in the treatment options for mesothelioma patients. © 2010 Elsevier Inc.

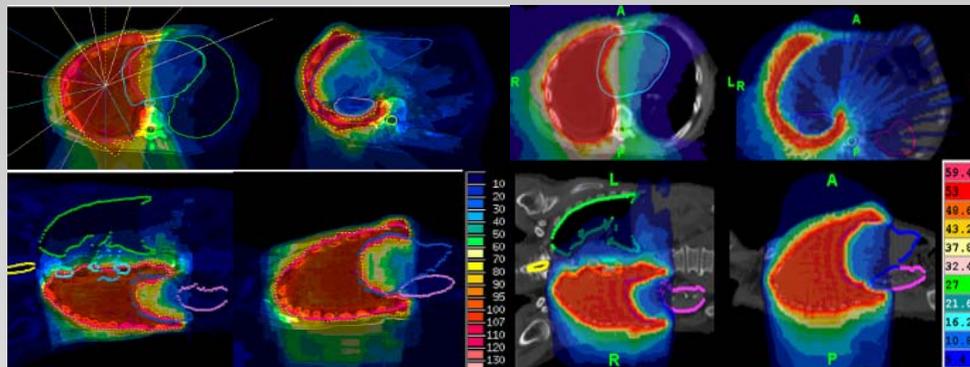
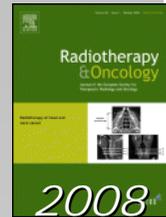


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## Evaluating target coverage and normal tissue sparing in the adjuvant radiotherapy of malignant pleural mesothelioma: Helical tomotherapy compared with step-and-shoot IMRT

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**Purpose:** To evaluate the potential of helical tomotherapy in the adjuvant treatment of malignant pleural mesothelioma and compare target homogeneity, conformity and normal tissue dose with step-and-shoot intensity-modulated radiotherapy.

**Methods and materials:** Ten patients with malignant pleural mesothelioma who had undergone neoadjuvant chemotherapy with cisplatin and perimetrex followed by extrapleural pneumonectomy (EPP) were treated in our department with 54 Gy to the hemithorax delivered by step-and-shoot IMRT. A planning comparison was performed by creating radiation plans for helical tomotherapy. The different plans were compared by analysing target homogeneity using the homogeneity indices  $HI_{max}$  and  $HI_{min}$  and target conformity by using the conformity index  $CI_{95}$ . To assess target coverage and normal tissue sparing  $TV_{90}$ ,  $TV_{95}$  and mean and maximum doses were compared.

**Results:** Both modalities achieved excellent dose distributions while sparing organs at risk. Target coverage and homogeneity could be increased significantly with helical tomotherapy compared with step-and-shoot IMRT. Mean dose to the contralateral lung could be lowered beyond 5 Gy.

**Conclusions:** Our planning study showed that helical tomotherapy is an excellent option for the adjuvant intensity-modulated radiotherapy of MPM. It is capable of improving target coverage and homogeneity.

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**More sophistication...**



*... more room for error?*

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