

# SBRT for GU cancers

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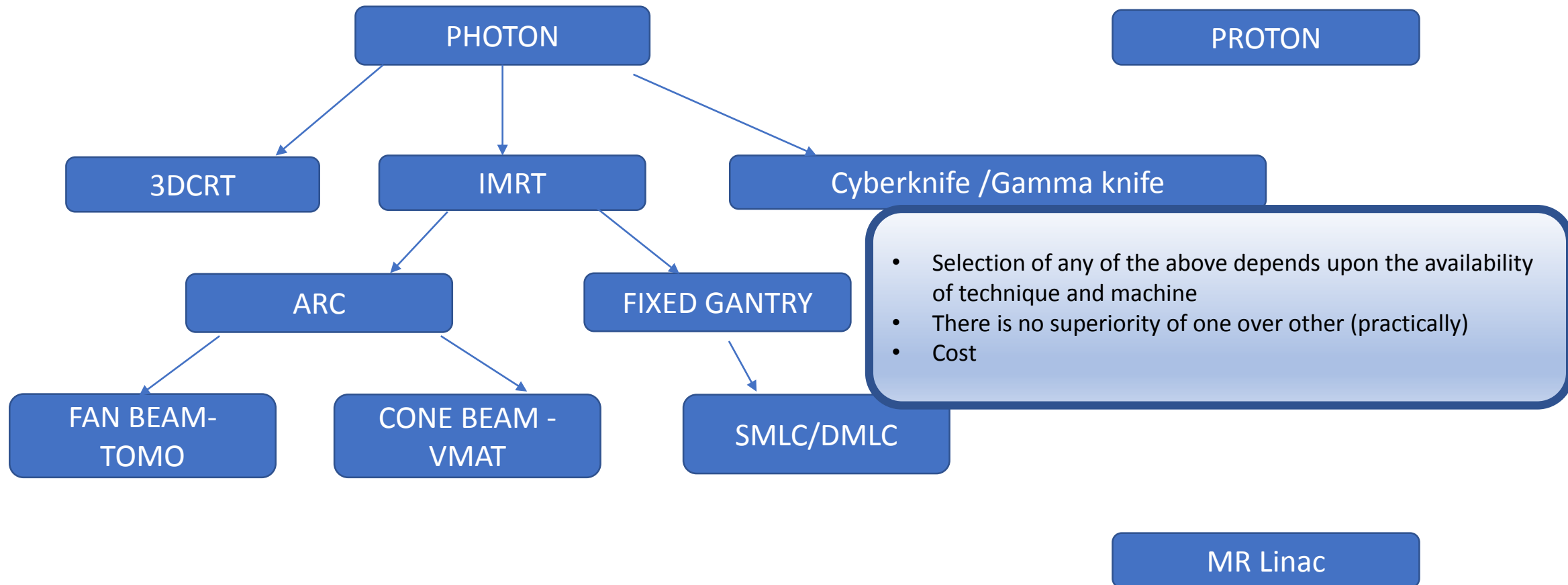
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# DIFFERENT TECHNIQUES OF DOING SBRT PROSTATE



# Prostate Radiotherapy in India: Evolution, Practice and Challenges in the 21st Century

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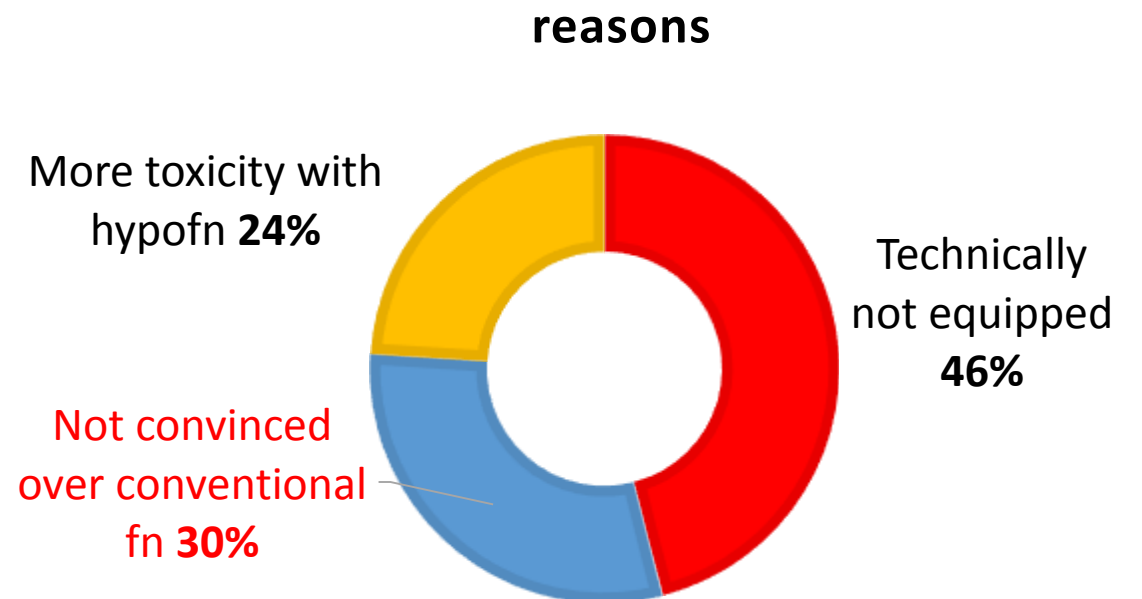
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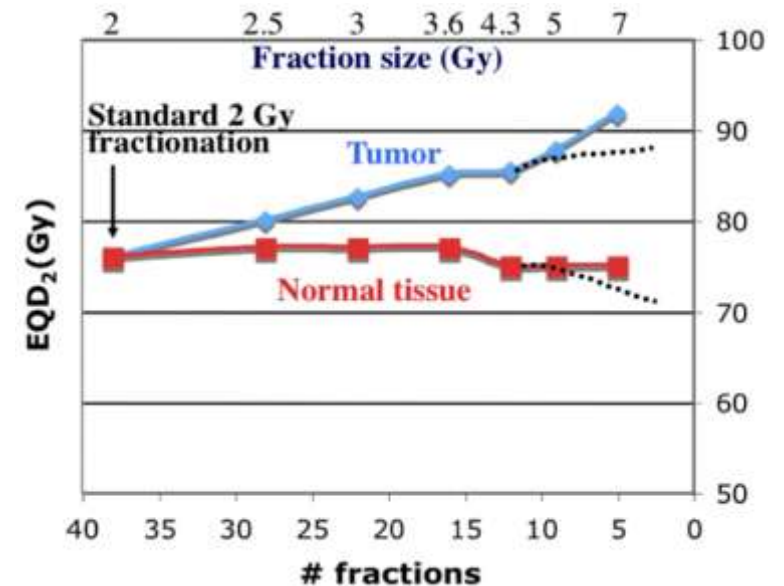
*Targeted survey of 100 Indian radiation oncologists practising prostate RT*

- 15% of respondents reported that SBRT was one of their clinically used schedules for radical treatment
- Five centers reported using SBRT for more than 50% of their patients



# Biological Rationale

- Prostate  $\alpha/\beta$  : 1.5 to 1.8



Parameters	Conventional fractionation	Moderate hypofractionation	Extreme fractionation/SBRT
Equi-effective dose	<b>74Gy/37#</b>	<b>60Gy/20#</b>	<b>36.25Gy/5#</b>
Dose/#	2Gy	3 Gy	7.5Gy
Rectum BED ( $\alpha/\beta$ :3)	123 Gy	120 Gy	106 Gy
Prostate BED			
$\alpha/\beta = 10$	89 Gy	78 Gy	62 Gy
$\alpha/\beta = 2$	148 Gy	150 Gy	168 Gy
$\alpha/\beta = 1.5$	173 Gy	180 Gy	210 Gy

# Prostate SBRT is here to stay

Trial Name	NRG-GU 005	HYPO RT-PC	PACE B	PACE C	PRIME
Study/Group	NRG Oncology	Scandinavia	Royal Marsden NHS	Royal Marsden NHS	India
Stage/ Eligibility	Low Risk (cT1a-T2b)	Intermediate risk	Low/Fav IR (cT1-T2c, GS $\leq$ 7)	Unfav IR/HR	HR/VHR/N+
Test arm	36.25Gy/5#	42.7Gy/7#	36.25Gy/5#	36.25Gy/5#	36.25Gy/5#
Std arm	70Gy/28#	78Gy/39#	78Gy/39# 62Gy/20#	60Gy/20#	68Gy/25#
Primary end point	DFS, 2-yr EPIC-26 toxicity	5-yr FFBF	5-yr BCF	5-yr bPFS	5-yr BFFS
Status	Completed	Published	2-yr toxicity results	Enrolling	Enrolling, passed interim analysis

*In India (~LMIC):*

- Low awareness
- No screening
- If M0,  
~75% are HR-VHR  
~ 20% are N+

# How do I start?

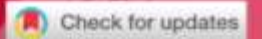
- Choosing the right patient
  - Low/Intermediate risk: Where do I find those?
  - **High Risk: Yes, lots of them....but...**
    - Is it safe and effective?
    - Do I /can I treat the pelvis?
    - Many of my patients are N+....
    - What if they had a TURP?
    - Does it need “special” technique/equipment
  - Metastatic: Oh, plenty of those...
    - Low volume OligoM

# Safe?

## Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy for High-Risk Localized Carcinoma of the Prostate (SHARP) Consortium: Analysis of 344 Prospectively Treated Patients

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- Pooled data of 344 high risk patients
- Median follow-up 49.5 months
- 4-yr BFFS 82%, 4-yr DMFS 89%
- Late gr3 toxicity: GU 2.3%, GI 0.9%



# PRIME Trial Overview

- **Design:** Multicentric, Non Inferiority, Randomised (MFRT vs SBRT)
- **Current Accrual:** 435/464 (Estimated end: Dec 2023)
- **Primary Endpoint:** 5 year BFFS
- **Secondary Endpoints:**
  - Acute Toxicity
  - Late Toxicity
  - PCSF and OAS
  - Quality of Life
  - Out of Pocket Expenditure
  - Decision regret

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Protocol

**BMJ Open** Study protocol of a randomised controlled trial of prostate radiotherapy in high-risk and node-positive disease comparing moderate and extreme hypofractionation (PRIME TRIAL)

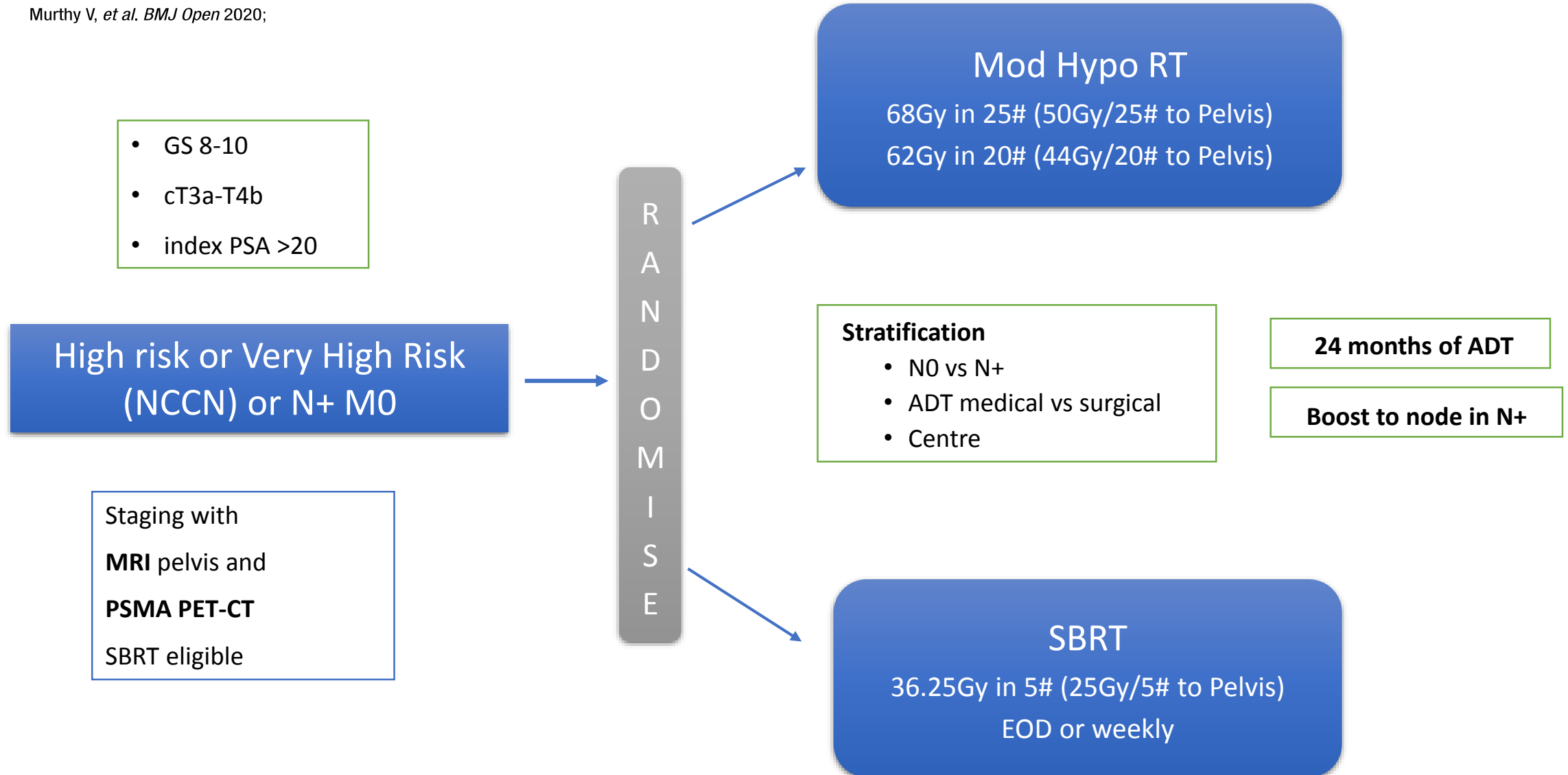
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# Trial Design

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## Acute (90-day) urinary toxicity

CTCAE toxicity		Total (n=296) (%)	MHRT (n=146) (%)	SBRT (n=150) (%)	p-value	
Urinary						
	Grade 3	1.0	1.4	0.7	0.5	N=3 (MHRT 2, SBRT 1)
	Grade 2	32.4	33.1	31.8	0.5	

## Acute (90-day) gastrointestinal toxicity

CTCAE toxicity		Total (n=296) (%)	MHRT (n=146) (%)	SBRT (n=150) (%)	p-value	
Gastrointestinal						
	Grade 3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	N=2 (MHRT 1,
	Grade 2	16.2	17.2	15.2	0.9	

\*CTCAE grade 3 toxicity in parentheses, others grade 2

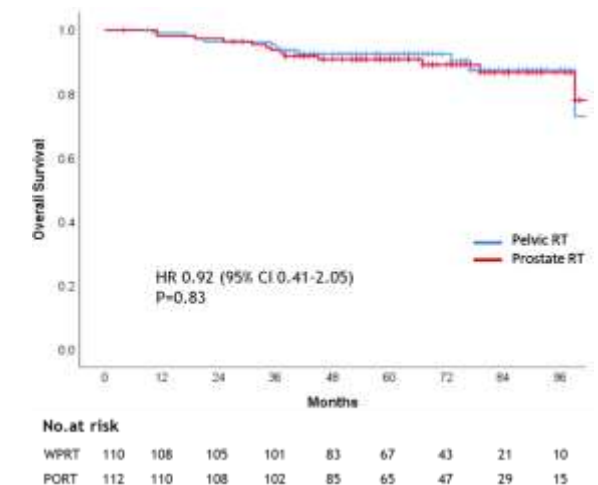
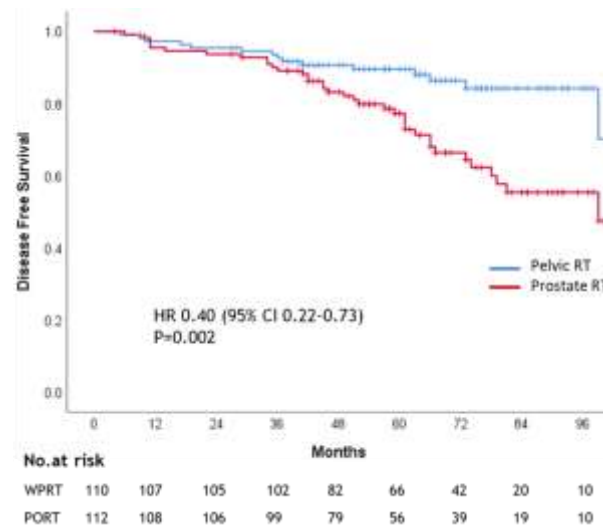
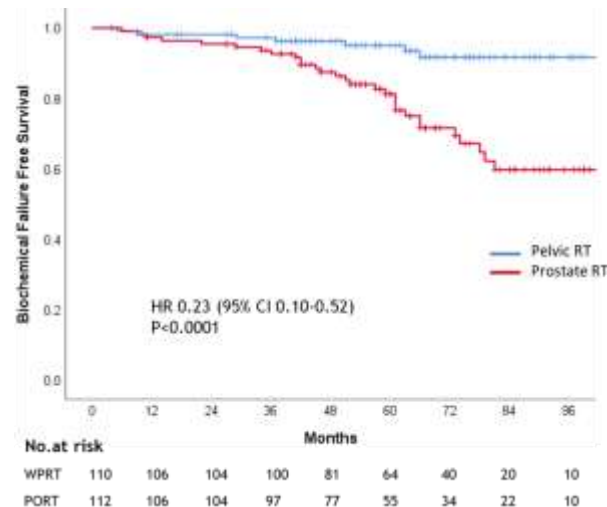
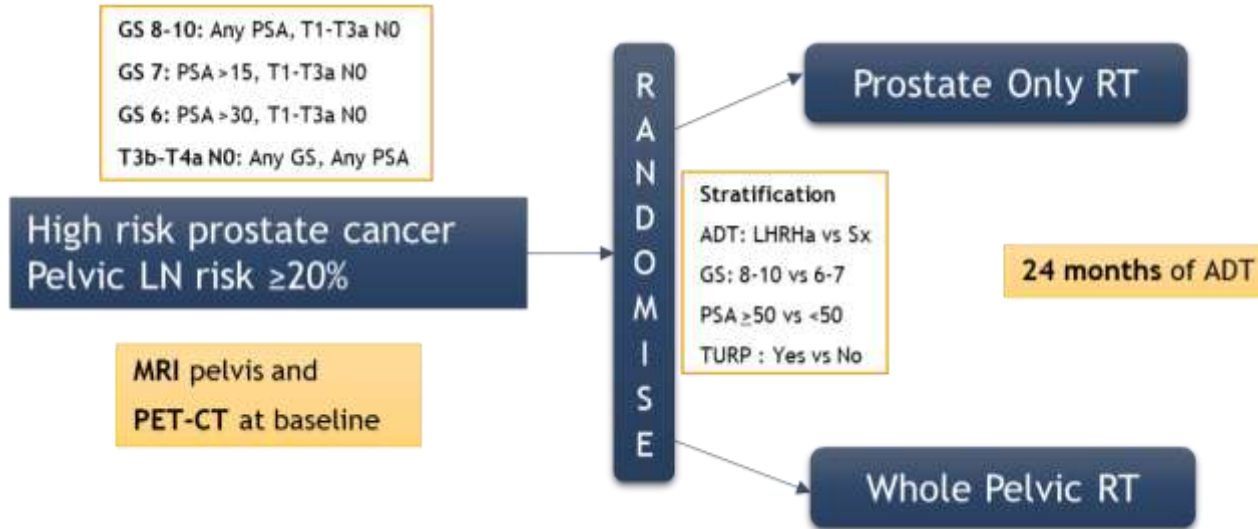
# Treating the pelvis?

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## Prostate-Only Versus Whole-Pelvic Radiation Therapy in High-Risk and Very High-Risk Prostate Cancer (POP-RT): Outcomes From Phase III Randomized Controlled Trial

Check for updates

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# What about SBRT?

- 2 trials:
  - pHART (n=30, no ENI)
  - SATURN (n=30, ENI+)
- 40 Gy/5# to prostate +/- 25 Gy/5# ENI
- 5-yr BF 14.6% vs 0% (p=0.038)

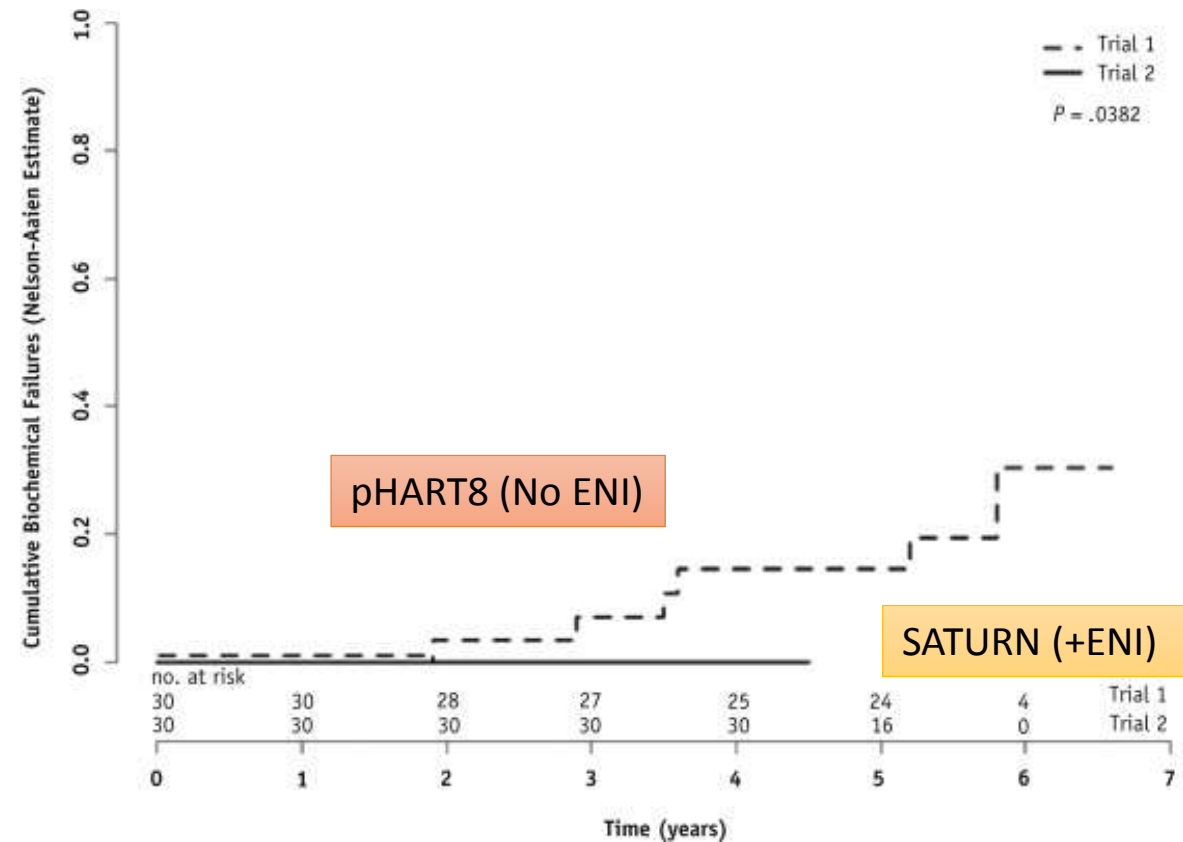
PACE NODES (UK) ONGOING



Clinical Investigation

## SABR in High-Risk Prostate Cancer: Outcomes From 2 Prospective Clinical Trials With and Without Elective Nodal Irradiation

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# PO-SBRT vs WP-SBRT

## Acute and Late Adverse Effects of Prostate-Only or Pelvic Stereotactic Radiation Therapy in Prostate Cancer: A Comparative Study

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- N= 220 (PO or WP-SBRT)
- Definitive SBRT
- Prostate: 35-36.25Gy/5#
- Pelvis (Till CILN): 25Gy/5#
- Median f/u: 28 months
- CTCAE v5.0 Cumulative Toxicity

LATE-  
Gr 3 GU- 2.5%, Gr 3 GI- 1%

TOXICITY (Overall Grade 2)	PO-SBRT (116)	WP-SBRT (102)	P-value
Acute GI (21.6%)	14.7%	29.4%	0.008
Late GI (15.8%)	13.4%	18.9%	0.1
Acute GU (30.7%)	25.9%	36.3%	0.1
Late GU (34.2%)	25%	45.6%	0.003

# The TURP Problem: SBRT

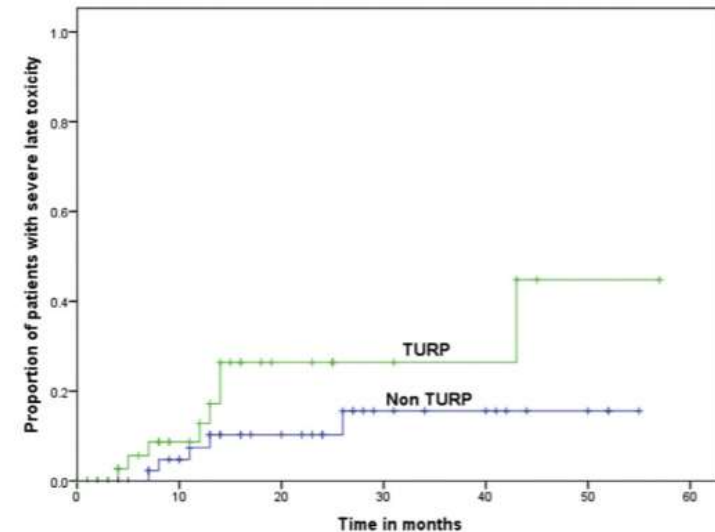
- Up to **30%** of Indian patients planned for prostate RT have prior TURP
- Toxicity concerns with SBRT
- Methods:
  - Matched pair analysis
  - N=100 (50 TURP , 50 Non TURP)

- **CAUTION:**

- SBRT Within 6 months from TURP
- SBRT with Multiple TURPS
- Evaluate pre-existing strictures rigorously

## Safety of Prostate Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy after Transurethral Resection of Prostate (TURP): A Propensity Score Matched Pair Analysis

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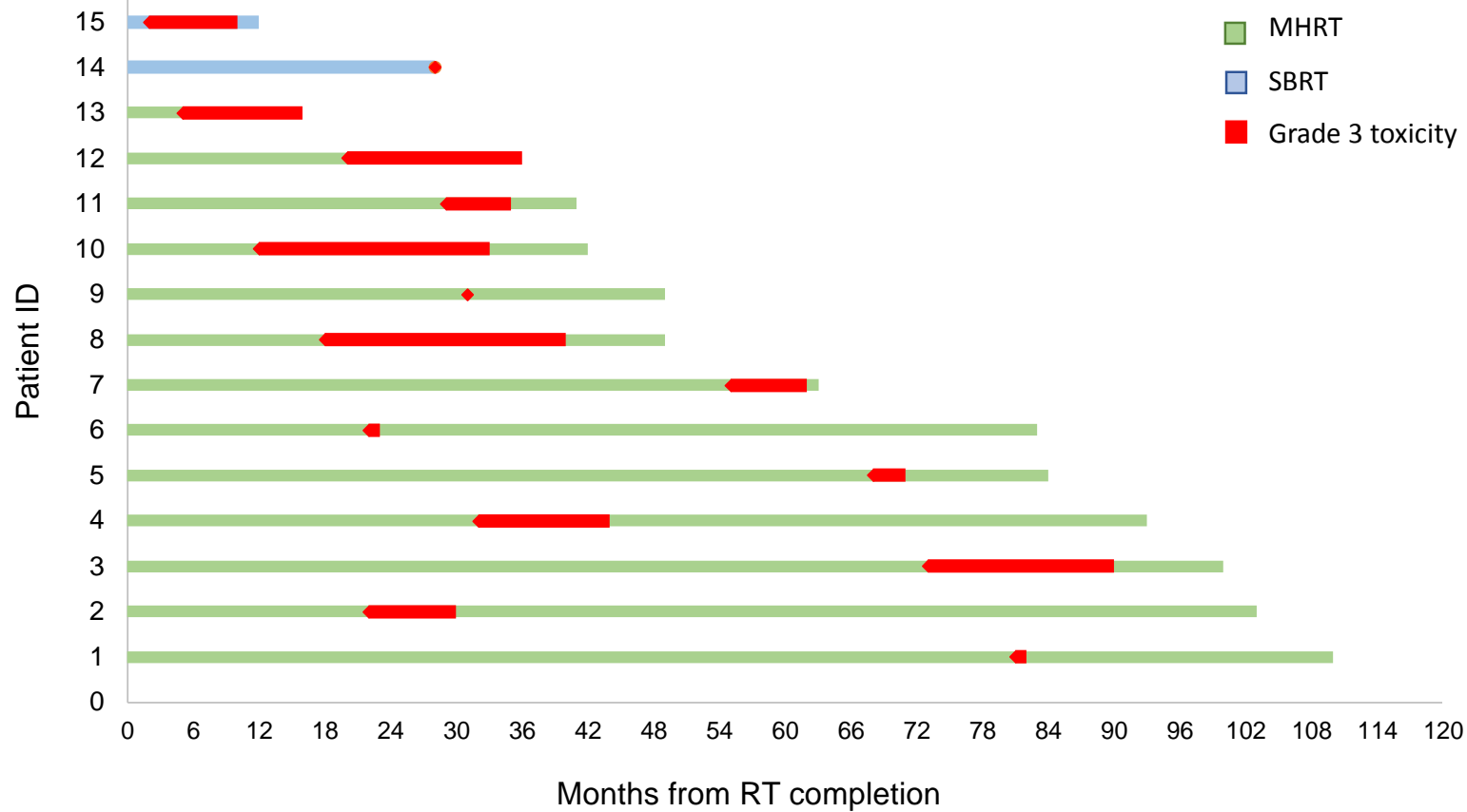


# The TURP Problem: SBRT vs Mod Hypo RT

- N=204, **ALL TURP**
- Median follow-up 37m
- **MFRT (n=116)**
- **SBRT (n=88)**
  
- Gr2 similar (24.3% vs 27%, p=0.3).

		<b>MFRT (n=116)</b>	<b>SBRT (n=88)</b>	<b>Total (n=204)</b>
<b>Median Prostate dose</b>		68Gy/25#	36.25Gy/5#	
<b>CTCAE late urinary toxicity</b>	Grade 3	<b>11.3%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	7.4%
	Grade 2	24.3%	27.0%	25.5%

## Temporal pattern of CTCAE gr3 late urinary toxicity



- Grade 3 toxicity persisted over median 8 months

**In patients with prior TURP, moderate or extreme hypofractionated prostate RT did not result in excessive or long-lasting toxicity**

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# What about SBRT for N+?



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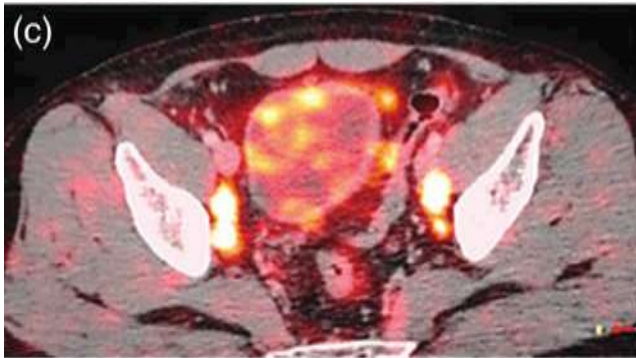
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Original Article

Safety and Efficacy of Ultra-hypofractionation in Node-positive Prostate Cancer

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- N=60 (all N+ on PSMA PET)

- All SBRT

- Prostate: 35- 36.25Gy/5#
- Pelvis: 25 Gy/5#
- **PSMA PET guided Nodal boost (if residual): 30-35Gy**

Median follow up : **30 months**

3 year disease free survival : 70%

3 year overall survival : 89%

# Simulation

## **SHOULD BE USED**

- Bladder Protocol
  - Void → Drink 500ml water and hold for 45 mins
- Empty Rectum: No Gas
  - Low residue/Fibre
- COMFORTABLE, Supine, with arms folded on the chest
- Knee Rest/Ankle stocks
- CT MRI fusion

## **• MAY BE USED!**

- ORFIT
- VACLOC
- Gold Markers
- RECTAL BALLOON
- SPACER
- IV Contrast

## International Prostate Symptom Score (I-PSS)

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date completed: \_\_\_\_\_

In the past month:	Not at All	Less than 1 in 5 Times	Less than Half the Time	About Half the Time	More than Half the Time	Almost Always	Your score
<b>1. Incomplete Emptying</b> How often have you had the sensation of not emptying your bladder?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>2. Frequency</b> How often have you had to urinate less than every two hours?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>3. Intermittency</b> How often have you found you stopped and started again several times when you urinated?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>4. Urgency</b> How often have you found it difficult to postpone urination?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>5. Weak Stream</b> How often have you had a weak urinary stream?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>6. Straining</b> How often have you had to strain to start urination?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
	None	1 Time	2 Times	3 Times	4 Times	5 Times	
<b>7. Nocturia</b> How many times did you typically get up at night to urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>Total I-PSS Score</b>							

Score:      1-7: *Mild*                      8-19: *Moderate*                      20-35: *Severe*

Quality of Life Due to Urinary Symptoms	Delighted	Pleased	Mostly Satisfied	Mixed	Mostly Dissatisfied	Unhappy	Terrible
If you were to spend the rest of your life with your urinary condition just the way it is now, how would you feel about that?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

# Contouring Guidelines



ESTRO ACROP guideline

ESTRO ACROP consensus guideline on CT- and MRI-based target volume delineation for primary radiation therapy of localized prostate cancer



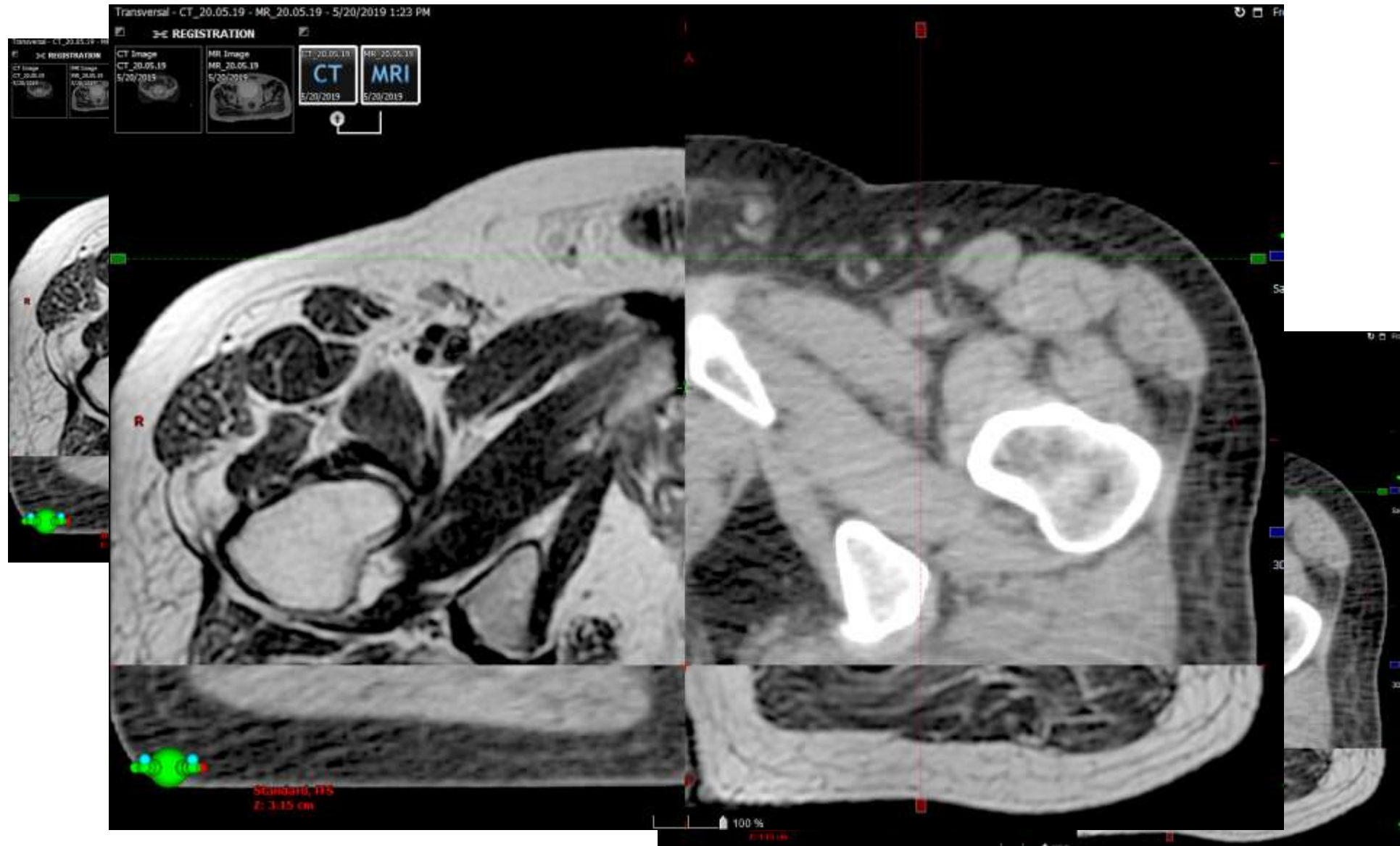
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- Prostate:
- GTV – gross tumor delineated by newer imaging
- CTV – GTV + Prostate (low risk), GTV + Prostate + SV (intermediate and high risk)
- PTV – CTV + Margins
- Pelvic nodes (if involved)
- OARs: rectum, bladder, proximal femur, bowel bag

# Difficulties encountered contouring

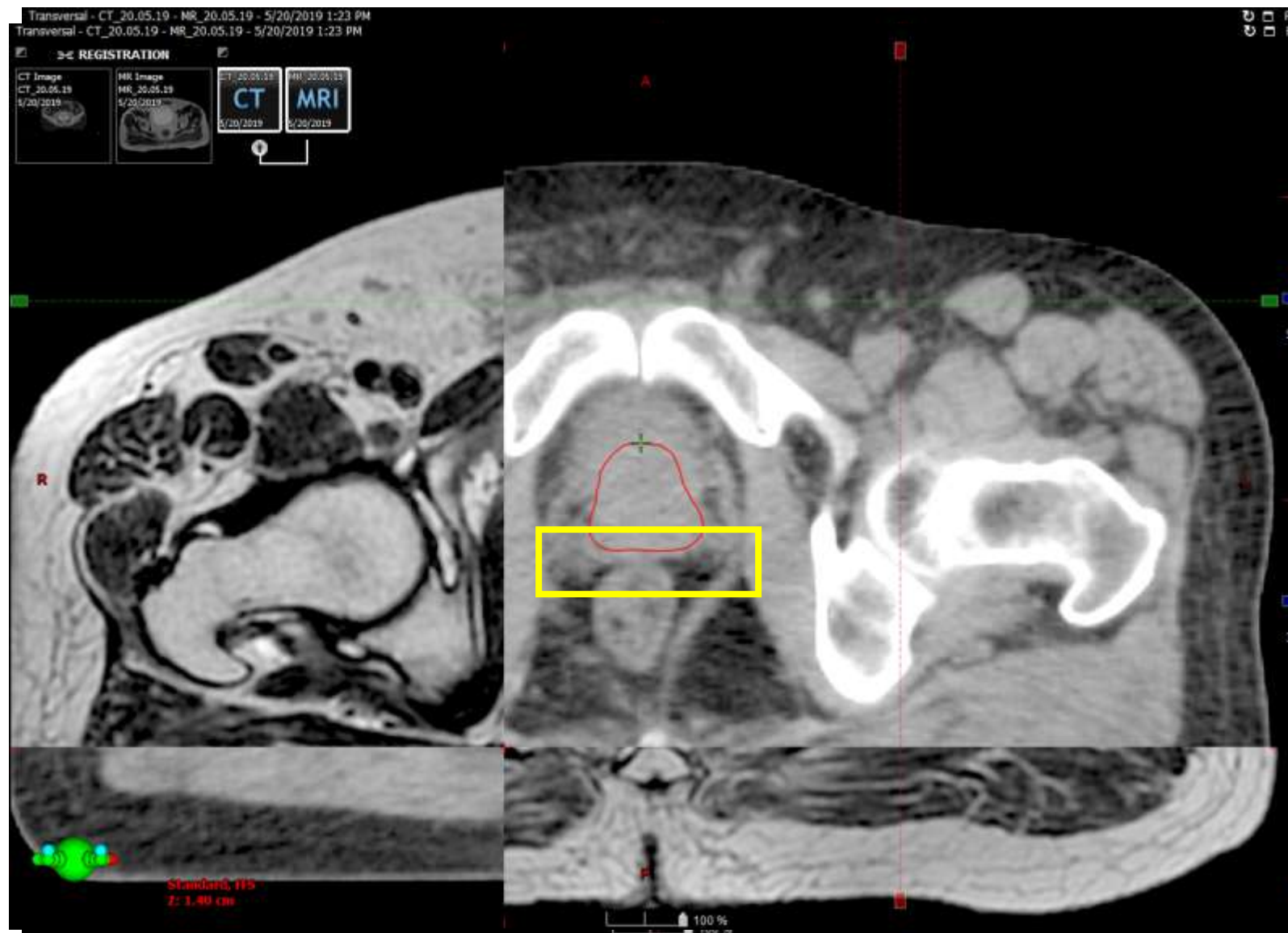
- Delineation of Prostate on CT scan
- Delineation of the apex
- Differentiating base of prostate from the fibromuscular bundle
- Capsule from the NV bundle
- Muscle vs prostate
- SV extent

# CT-MRI fusion- Apex delineation

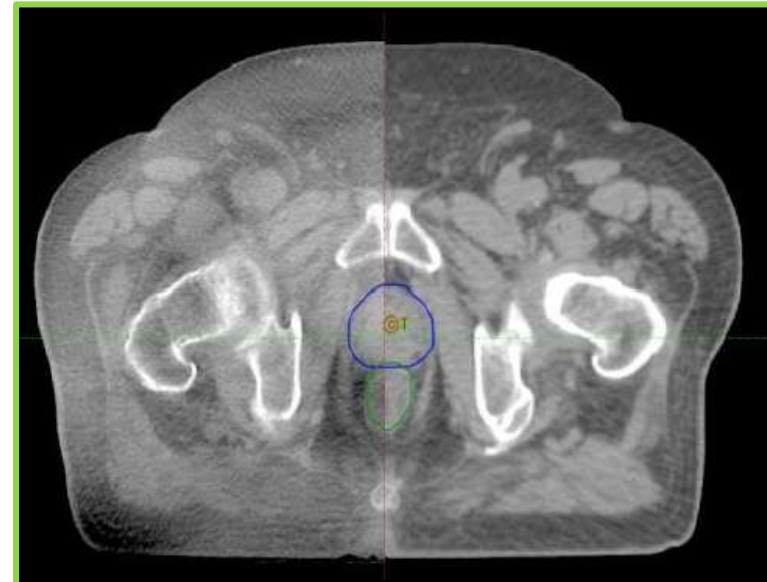
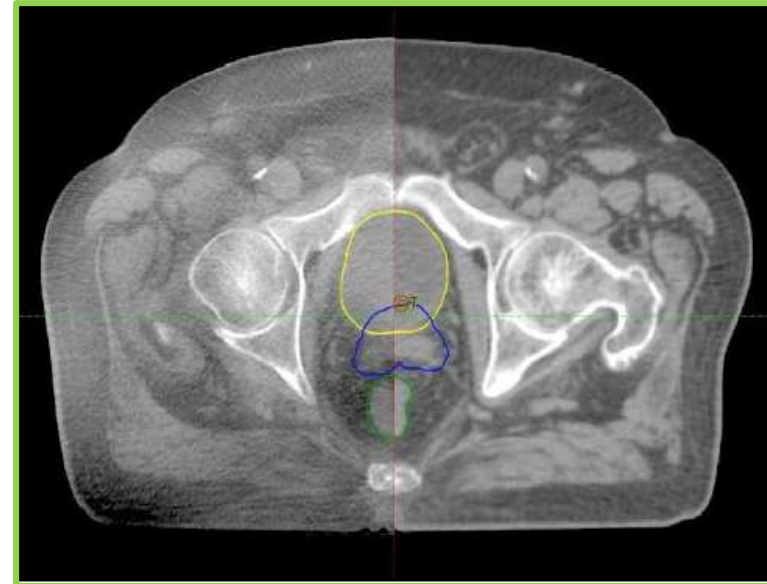
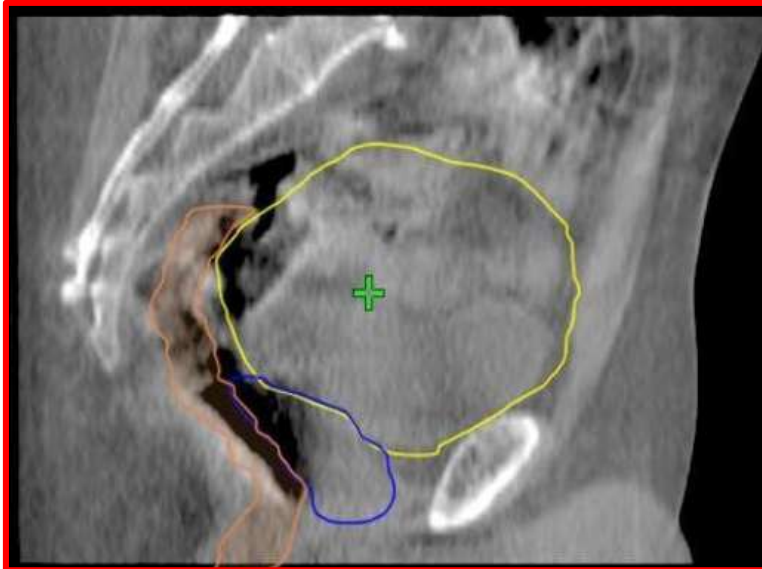
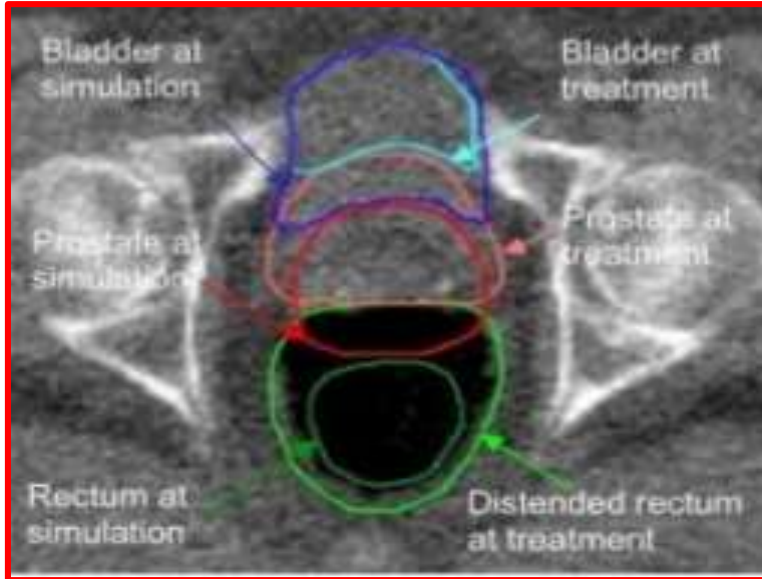




Caution : Check fusion in each slice



# IGRT is MANDATORY for EVERY fraction





# TMH –ONLINE VERIFICATION PROTOCOL

8 steps

Online CBCT- ZOOM

Select only bladder , rectum , PTV

Screen bladder filling and rectum

Adjusting the window

Selec automatch

Check entire cbct

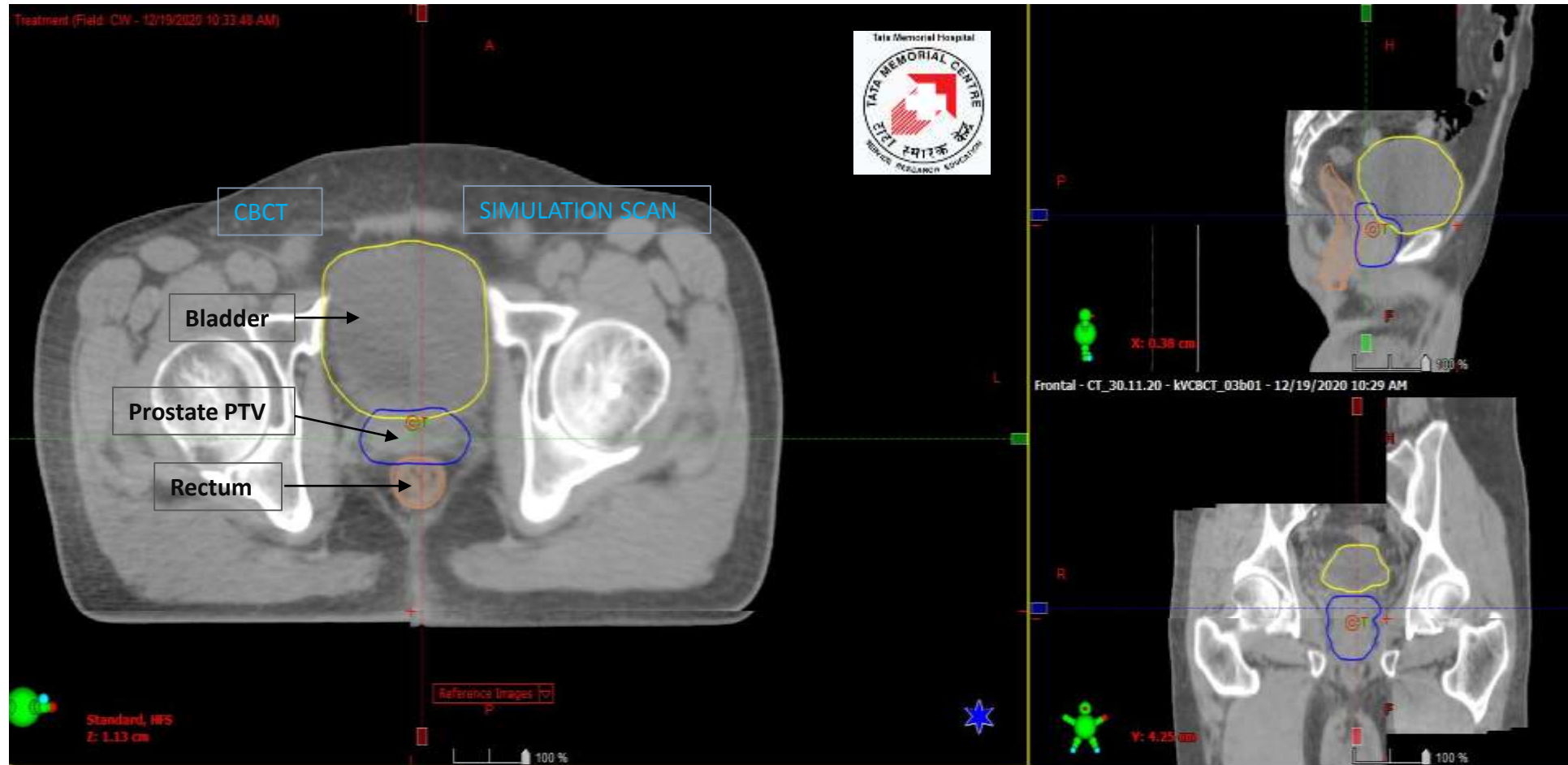
Ensure acceptable match in all view and treat

Repeat setup on same day – not more than twice / day

- **Gross inadequate bladder filling , rectum distension , clear PTV miss**
- **Shifts more than 7 mm**
- **Geographic miss after final matching**
- **Part of rectum in PTV**

Have a low threshold for re set up in case of SBRT as accuracy is paramount.  
Patient can be called another day easily

# IDEAL/ACCEPTABLE MATCH



Bladder and rectum almost replicative of that of simulation scan  
Target appearing well within the contoured PTV volume

# Plan evaluation Sheet

**SBRT dose : 36.25Gy/5# to  
PTV\_Prostate +/- 25Gy/5# to  
PTV\_Nodes  
Scheduling : Alternate day**

	<b>D98</b>		<b>D95</b>
<b>CTVp</b>	98%		
<b>PTVp</b>	95%		
<b>PTVn</b>	D95: 95% (_____)		

36.25 Gy/5#			V14	PLAN	V17.5	PLAN	V28	PLAN	V31.5	PLAN	V35	PLAN
PO RT	Bladder	Optimal	25%		15%		7%		5%		3%	
		Acceptable	35%		20%		10%		8%		4%	
	Rectum	Optimal	40%		30%		10%		8%		3%	
		Acceptable	45%		35%		15%		10%		5%	
WP RT	Bladder	Optimal	30%		25%		10%		5%		3%	
		Acceptable	35%		28%		12%		8%		5%	
	Rectum	Optimal	45%		30%		12%		8%		3%	
		Acceptable	50%		35%		15%		10%		5%	
Bowel							80cc					
Femur			5%	Left -		Right-						

# CLINICAL GOALS

Plan			FINAL_PM
Total Dose			3625.0 cGy
Clinical Goal Summary			2 3 12
CTV_VM/RK	P1	D 98.0 % $\geq$ 98.0 %	98.89 %
PTV_25/5	P1	D 95.0 % $>$ 65.6 %	66.48 %
PTV_36.25/5	P1	D 95.0 % $>$ 95.0 %	95.74 %
	P1	D 98.0 % $>$ 95.0 %	92.66 %
Anorectum	P2	V 3500 cGy $<$ 3.0 %	4.45 %
	P2	V 3150 cGy $<$ 8.0 %	9.10 %
	P2	V 2800 cGy $<$ 12.0 %	12.37 %
	P2	V 1750 cGy $<$ 30.0 %	22.52 %
	P2	V 1400 cGy $<$ 45.0 %	28.35 %
Bladder	P2	V 3500 cGy $<$ 3.0 %	1.52 %
	P2	V 2800 cGy $<$ 10.0 %	5.13 %
	P2	V 1750 cGy $<$ 25.0 %	23.05 %
	P2	V 3150 cGy $<$ 5.0 %	3.10 %
	P2	V 1400 cGy $<$ 30.0 %	29.77 %
BODY	R	Dmax $<$ 107.0 %	108.20 %
Femur_Head_L	P3	V 1400 cGy $<$ 5.0 %	2.65 %
Femur_Head_R	P3	V 1400 cGy $<$ 5.0 %	2.43 %

# EMPTY -RT

Toxicity with empty bladder protocol during prostate stereotactic body radiotherapy : A phase 2 study.

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Can we avoid the bladder protocol and make prostate SBRT more patient friendly?



**N=100**

**Simulate with  
an empty  
bladder**

**Contour and  
plan**

*Constraints=Full  
bladder*

**Treat  
(Empty RT)**

- Primary end point-Acute and late bowel and bladder toxicity.
- Secondary End point- Bladder Volume variability.
- Feasibility of planning SBRT with empty bladder.

SBRT for RCC

# Can I do it in my centre?

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- YES
- What you need:
  - **Conviction!**
  - Convincing ability
  - “Modern LA” with IGRT
  - Dose: 40-50Gy in 3-5#
  - Physics Support

## Generic RT



Gantry-mounted LA



Ring Gantry LA



Robotic LA



MRI LINAC

# Questions to answer today

## You may ask yourself

- What is the local control?
- Is it really safe?
- Can I pull it off, I have a standard LA?
- What is the best fractionation?
- What are the issues with motion management, Planning and contouring?

## Your urologist may ask you

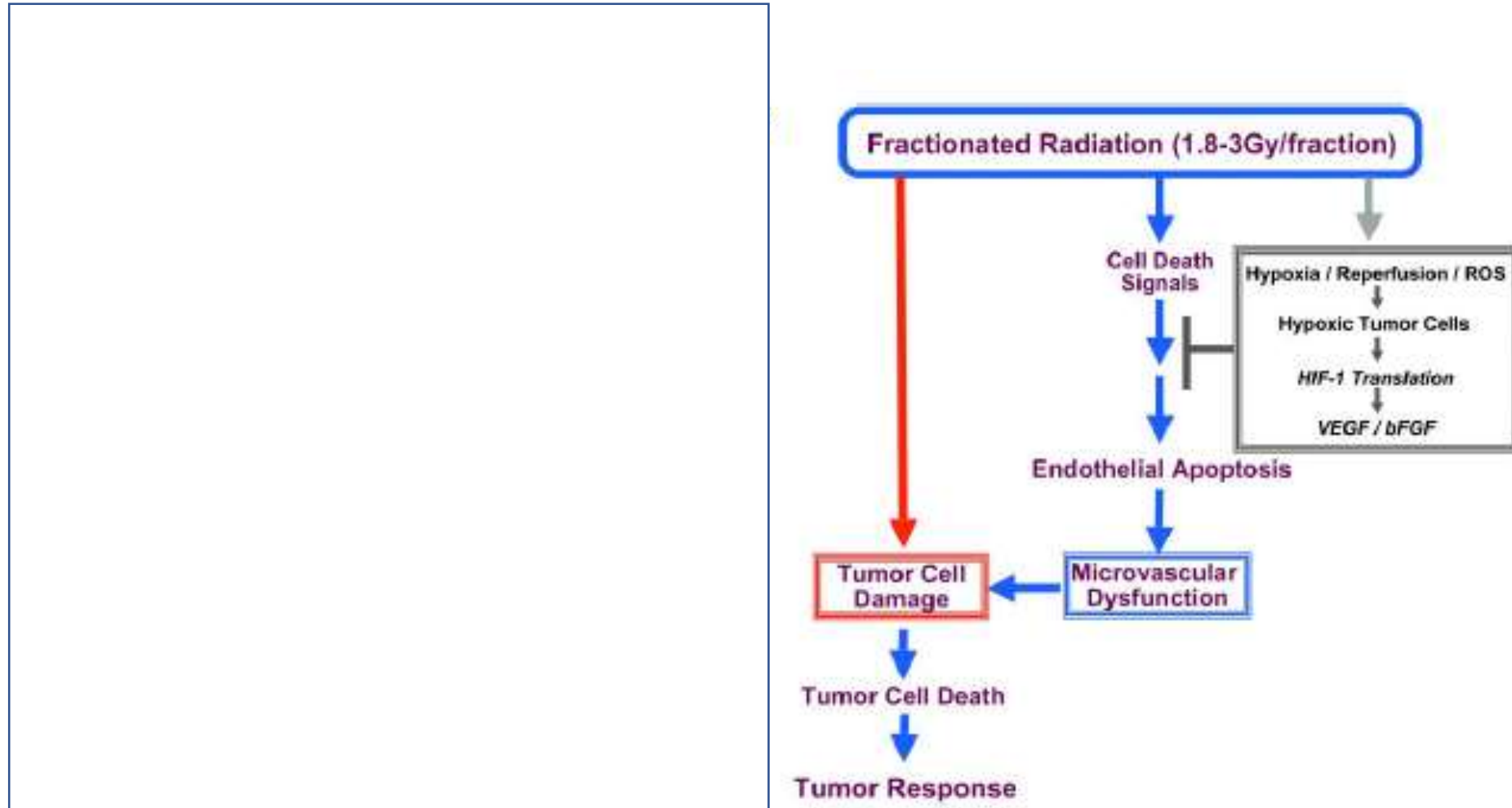
- Patient doesn't want Sx so why not **RFA**/Thermal Ablation?
- Can you really do it in a **single** Kidney?
- It's a 6 cm tumour, **are you sure?**
- How do you follow up?
  - What happens to the **GFR**?
  - When do we **biopsy** to prove Local control?



# Conventional Wisdom

RT doesn't work in RCC

# Overcoming radioresistance: Large fraction size



# Why SBRT?

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## Summarising the switch

### Leveraging Technology

Diagnostic Imaging  
Patient immobilization  
Techniques: SRS, SABR  
Image guidance  
Motion management



### Leveraging Biology

SM to ceramide  
Endothelial cell apoptosis  
Resistant to Hypoxia  
Augmentation of anti-tumor  
immune response

**Challenge Conventional  
Wisdom**

**RT does work in RCC**

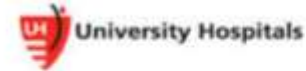
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## CONSENSUS STATEMENT

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# Consensus statement from the International Radiosurgery Oncology Consortium for Kidney for primary renal cell carcinoma



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8. *Case Western University Hospital* – L. Ponsky, N. Zaorsky

5-year outcomes after stereotactic ablative body radiotherapy for primary renal cell carcinoma: an individual patient data meta-analysis from IROCK (the International Radiosurgery Consortium of the Kidney)

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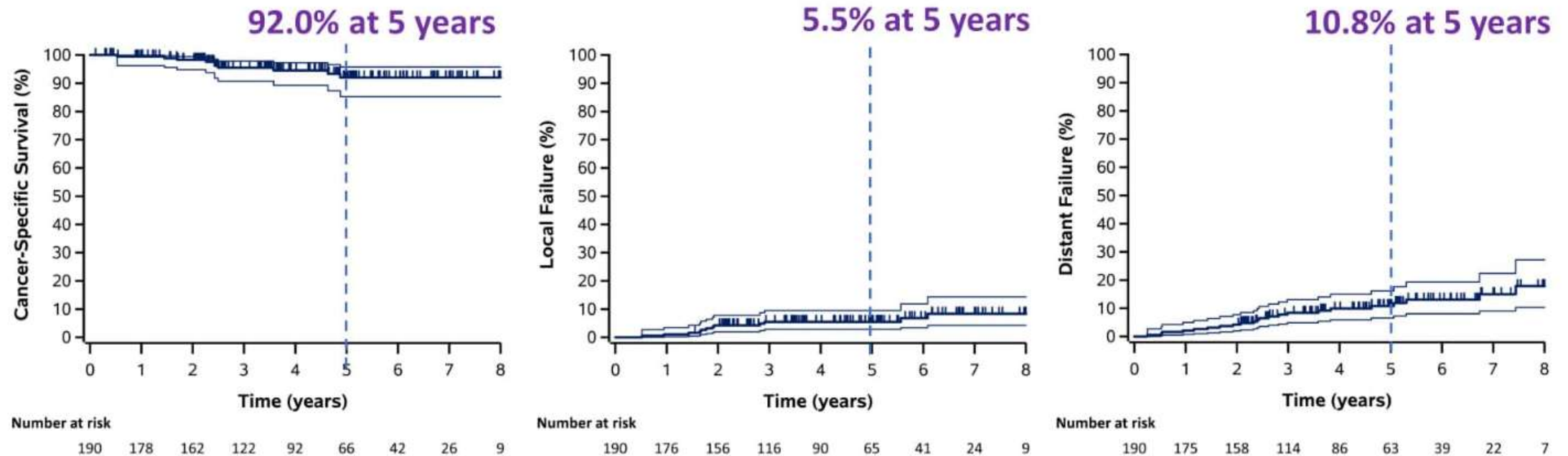
Characteristic	Patients (N=190)
Age (years) – median (IQR)	73.6 (66.2, 82)
Medically inoperable	96 (75%)
Pathologic confirmation	157 (82.6%)
Max dimension (cm)-mean ± SD	<b>4.2</b> (± 2.2)
Solitary kidney	56 ( <b>29.5%</b> )
BED10- median (range)	<b>87.5 Gy</b> (33.6, 180)

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# Patient selection

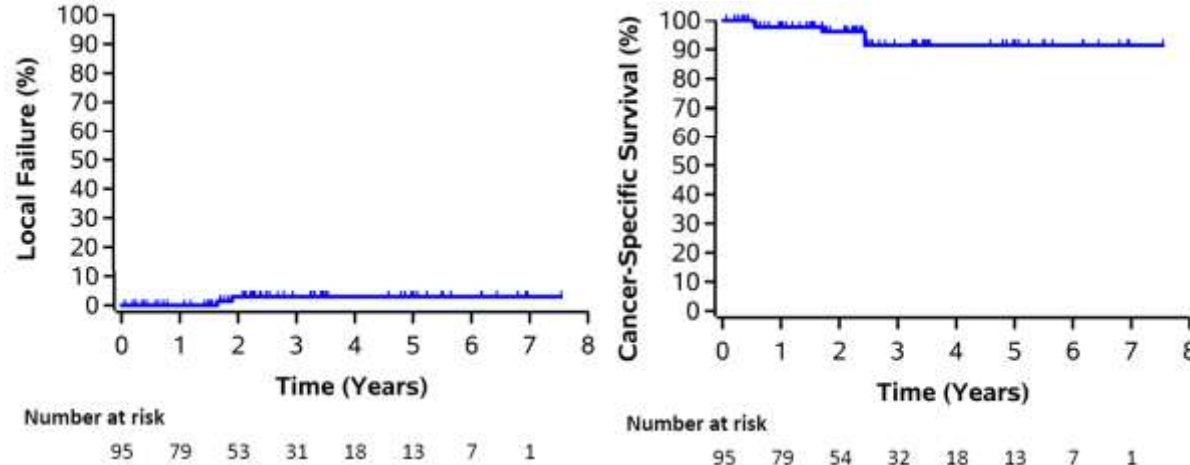
## SABR for large renal mass (>4cm)

Stereotactic Ablative Radiotherapy for  $\geq T1b$   
Primary Renal Cell Carcinoma: A Report From the  
International Radiosurgery Oncology Consortium  
for Kidney (IROCK)

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### DOES SIZE MATTER?

- N= 95. (30% solitary)
- Median tumor diameter 4.9 cm



On MVA, per 1 cm increase in tumor size associated with

- Decreased CSS (HR 1.41;  $p < 0.001$ )
- Decreased PFS (HR 1.1;  $p = 0.03$ )
- Not significant for local failure (HR 1.15;  $p = 0.056$ )

T1a versus T1b ( $\geq 4$  cm): No difference in CSS, PFS or local failure rate



## SABR in Solitary kidney

### Stereotactic Radiotherapy as a Treatment Option for Renal Tumors in the Solitary Kidney: A Multicenter Analysis from the IROCK

Median follow up of 2.6 years	N=81 (Solitary)
Median tumor diameter	3.7 cm (IQR 2.5-4.3)
T size $\geq$ 4 cm	37%
Mean eGFR decrease	-5.8 $\pm$ 10.8 mL/min ( Solitary)
Dose/Fx	25 Gy SF for 71%



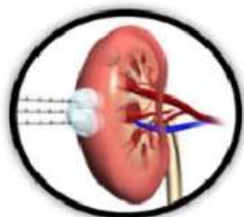


- No patient with a solitary kidney required HD
- Tumors  $\geq$  4 cm  $\rightarrow$  GFR  $\downarrow$   $\geq$  -15 mL/min (HR, 4.1; p=0.029)
- Solitary kidney should not deter from SF-SABR

Choice:

1. Remove kidney  $\rightarrow$  100% dialysis
2. Treat tumor  $\rightarrow$  Good LC and renal function, Spare dialysis



# Advantages of SABR over TA

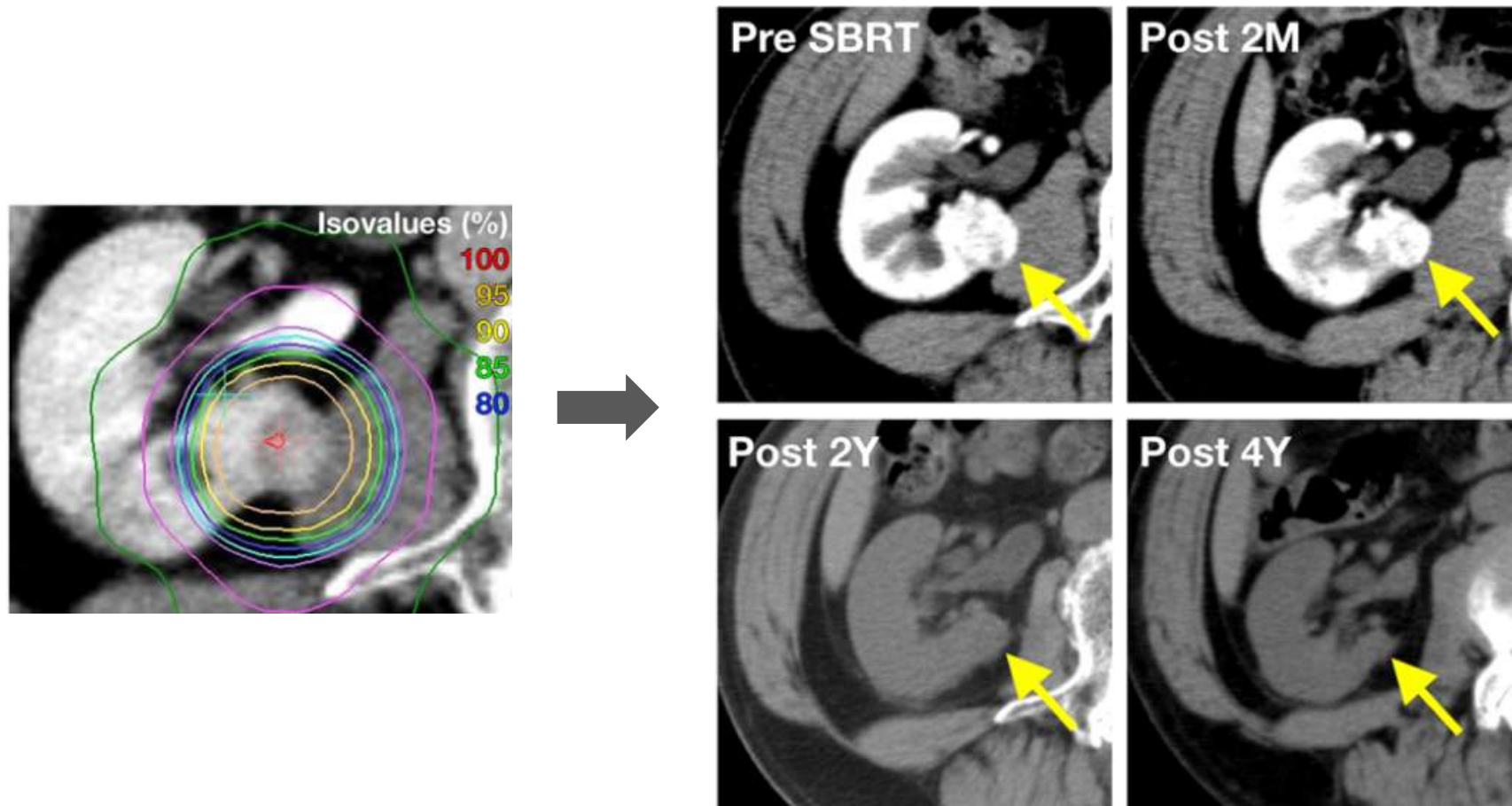
Delayed Intervention (up to 42%) <sup>2</sup>	Nephrectomy	Thermal Ablation		SABR?
		Cryoablation	RF-ablation	
				
Avoids general anaesthetic?	✗	✓	✓	✓
Peri-hilar tumors?	✓	✗	✗	✓
Large tumors?	✗ *	✗	✗	✓
Non-invasive?	✗	✗	✗	✓

\*Radical nephrectomy often required

# Assessing response

Tumour

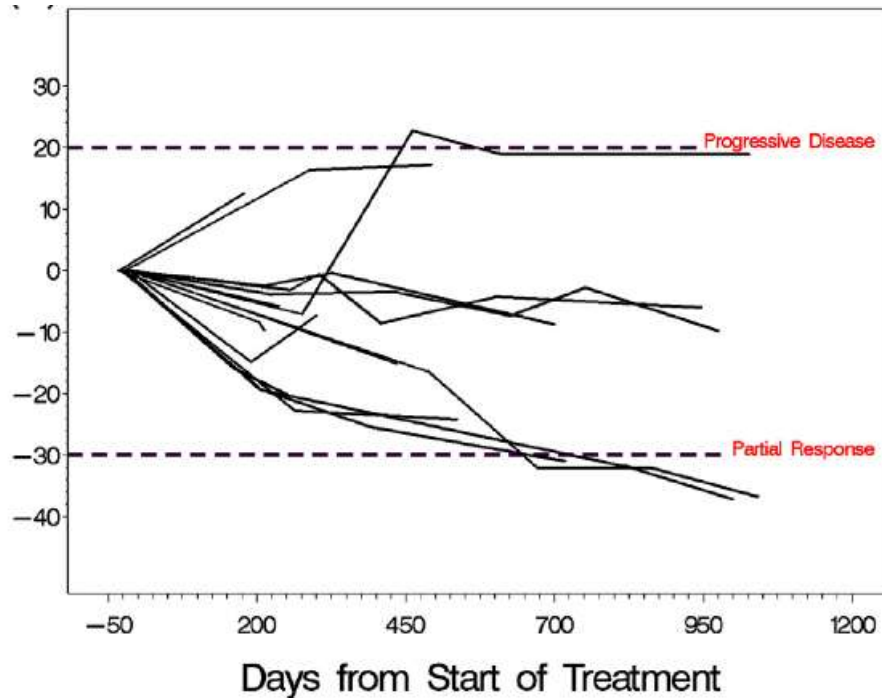
## Slow but continuing response



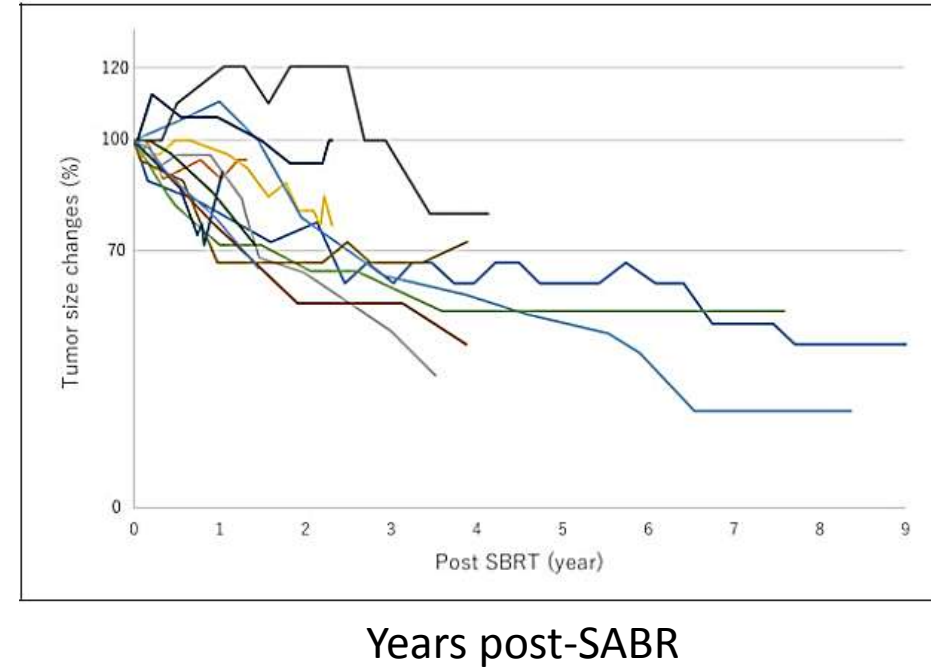
# Assessing response

## Tumour

### Slow but continuing response



Ponsky et al.  
Radiother Oncol 2015



Funayama et al.  
Tech Cancer Res Treatment 2019

# Assessing response :

## Renal Function

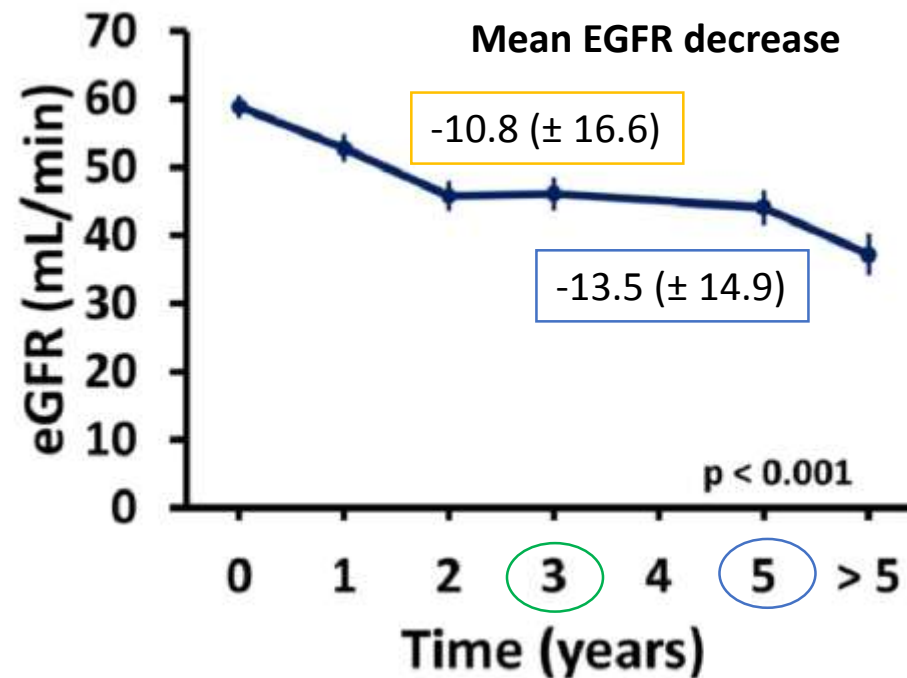
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# Moving SBRT into the guidelines



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## NCCN Guidelines Version 2.2023 Kidney Cancer

<sup>e</sup> Stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) may be considered for medically inoperable patients with Stage I kidney cancer (category 2B) or with Stage II/III kidney cancer (both category 3).

## EAU Guidelines on Renal Cell Carcinoma

Summary of evidence	LE
Most population-based analyses show a significantly lower cancer-specific mortality for patients treated with surgery compared to non-surgical management.	3
In AS cohorts, the growth of small renal masses is low in most cases and progression to metastatic disease is rare (1–2%).	3
Low-quality studies suggest high disease recurrence rates after RFA of tumours > 3 cm and after cryoablation of tumours > 4 cm.	3
Low-quality studies suggest a higher local recurrence rate for TA therapies compared to partial nephrectomy, but quality of data does not allow definitive conclusions.	3

Recommendations	Strength rating
Offer active surveillance (AS) or thermal ablation (TA) to frail and/or comorbid patients with small renal masses.	Weak
Perform a percutaneous renal mass biopsy prior to, and not concomitantly with TA.	Strong
When TA or AS are offered, discuss with patients about the harms/benefits with regards to oncological outcomes and complications.	Strong
Do not routinely offer TA for tumours > 3 cm and cryoablation for tumours > 4 cm.	Weak

studies, the local control rate was 97.2% and the mean change in eGFR was 7.7 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>. Grade 3 or 4 toxicities occurred in 1.5% of patients. However, viable tumour cells are often seen in post-SABR biopsies, although their clinical significance remains unclear [393]. Although early results of SABR are encouraging, more evidence from randomised trials is needed.

## Where does it fit in?

## Patient Evaluation

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- Medically inoperable early stage primary RCC
  - Patients refusing surgery
  - Too big/unsuitable for RFA/NSS (T1b or involving the Pelvis)
  - RCC in patients with single kidney
  - Incidentally detected as synchronous/metachronous cancer
  - Oligo-metastatic for cytoreduction (Abscopal effect)
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## Tips

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- **Presimulation Checklist:**

- GFR
- Biopsy

- **Simulation**

- Immobilisation: Vacloc/body bag
- Slow IV contrast (when possible)
- Per oral contrast
- 1-3 mm slice thickness
- mpMRI with Gadolinium useful if no contrast

- **Motion Management**

- 4DCT MIP
- Breath hold
- None: ITV

- Fiducials +/-

- **Planning**

- FFF
  - Intrafraction break:CBCT
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# What technology is needed?

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- Tumor visualisation
- High precision planning/delivery
- Robust image-guidance
- Quick delivery
- Intrafraction motion management
- **“4D CT Based Planning”**





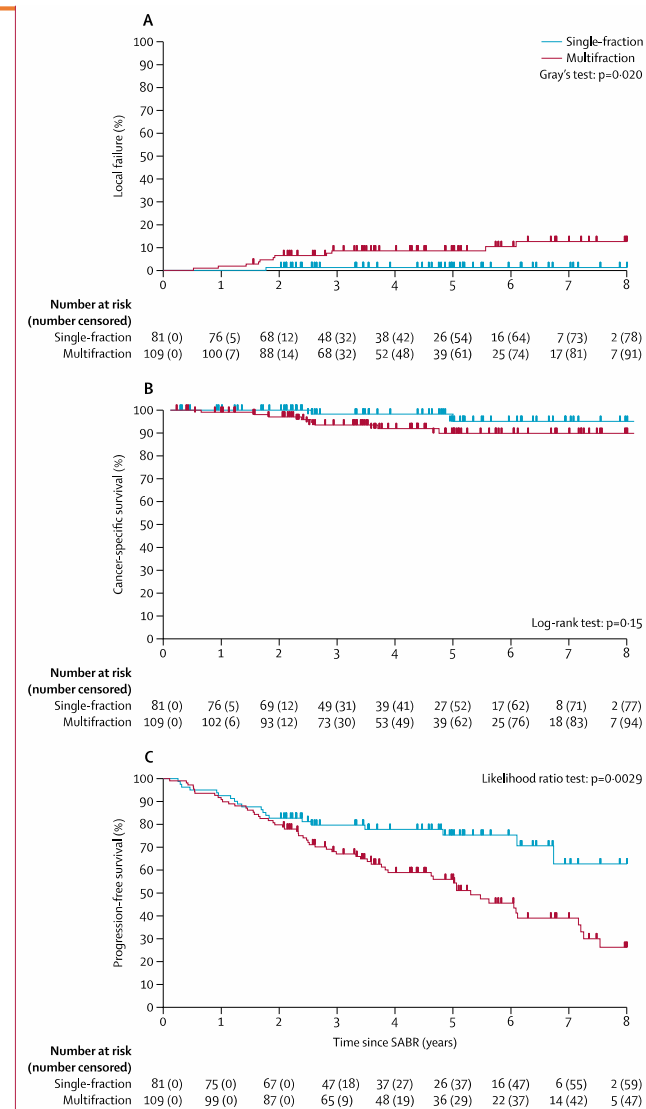
# Dose-fractionation

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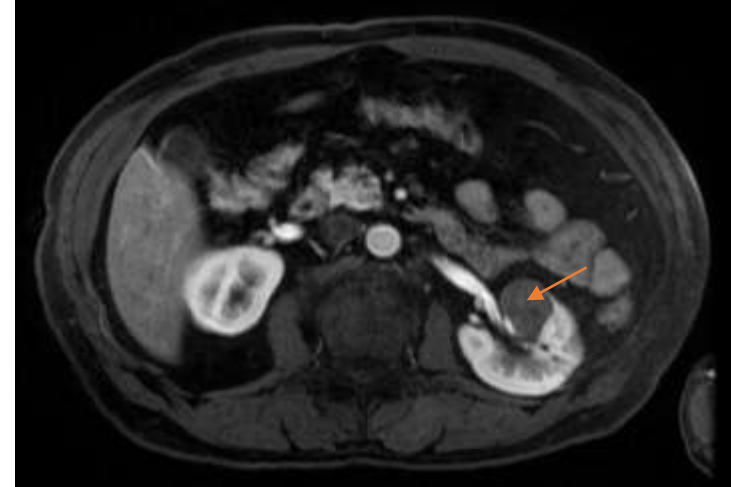
	Single-fraction SABR (n=81)	Multifraction SABR (n=109)	
Total dose, Gy	25.0 (25.0–25.0)	42.0 (35.0–48.0)	<0.0001
Number of fractions	1	4 (3–5)	..
Fraction dose, Gy	25.0 (25.0–25.0)	8.0 (7.0–14.0)	<0.0001
BED <sub>2.6</sub> , Gy	265.4 (265.4–265.4)	202.2 (163.1–268.2)	0.0002
BED <sub>6.9</sub> , Gy	115.6 (115.6–115.6)	112.2 (84.8–131.5)	0.35
BED <sub>10</sub> , Gy	87.5 (87.5–87.5)	96.0 (67.2–105.6)	0.22



## Single vs Multifraction?



SF ✓  
MF



SF ✓  
MF ✓



SF  
MF ✓

# Dose Constraints

Organ at risk constraint	Fractionation schedule			
	<i>1 fraction</i>	<i>3 fractions</i>	<i>5 fractions</i>	<i>Carbon ions (10fractions)</i>
Spinal cord	<1 cc to 8 Gy <0.03 cc to 12 Gy	<0.03 cc to 18 Gy Max 22.2 Gy	<0.5 cc to 23 Gy <0.03 cc to 27.5 Gy	45 Gy (BED 2 Gy)
Small bowel	<20 cc to 14 Gy Full circumference <12.5 Gy <sup>†</sup>	<10 cc to 11.4 Gy <1 cc to 24 Gy Max 30 Gy	<5 cc to 20 Gy Max 30 Gy	60 Gy (BED 2 Gy)
Stomach	<10 cc to 11 Gy <5 cc to 22.5 Gy	<10 cc to 16.5 Gy 5 cc to <22.5 Gy Max 30 Gy	<5 cc to 18 Gy Max 30 Gy	60 Gy (BED 2 Gy)
Large bowel	ALARA	ALARA, minimize volume receiving >30 Gy	Max 38 Gy <20 cc to 25 Gy	60 Gy (BED 2 Gy)
Chest wall	N/A	<700 cc to 30 Gy	<70 cc to 37 Gy	80 Gy (BED 2 Gy)
Skin (5 mm from external contour)	Max 24 Gy	<10 cc to 30 Gy	<10 cc to 15 Gy <0.03 cc to 30 Gy	80 Gy (BED 2 Gy)
Liver		<700 cc to 15 Gy V17 <66%	<700 cc to 15 Gy	N/A
Heart	15 cc to <16 Gy	Max 27.9	<15 cc to 32 Gy Max 38 Gy	N/A
Contralateral kidney <sup>‡</sup>	ALARA	V10 < 33% V5 <14 Gy	ALARA	ALARA

1. iROCK consensus statement 2016
2. FASTRACK II protocol

## When to back off?

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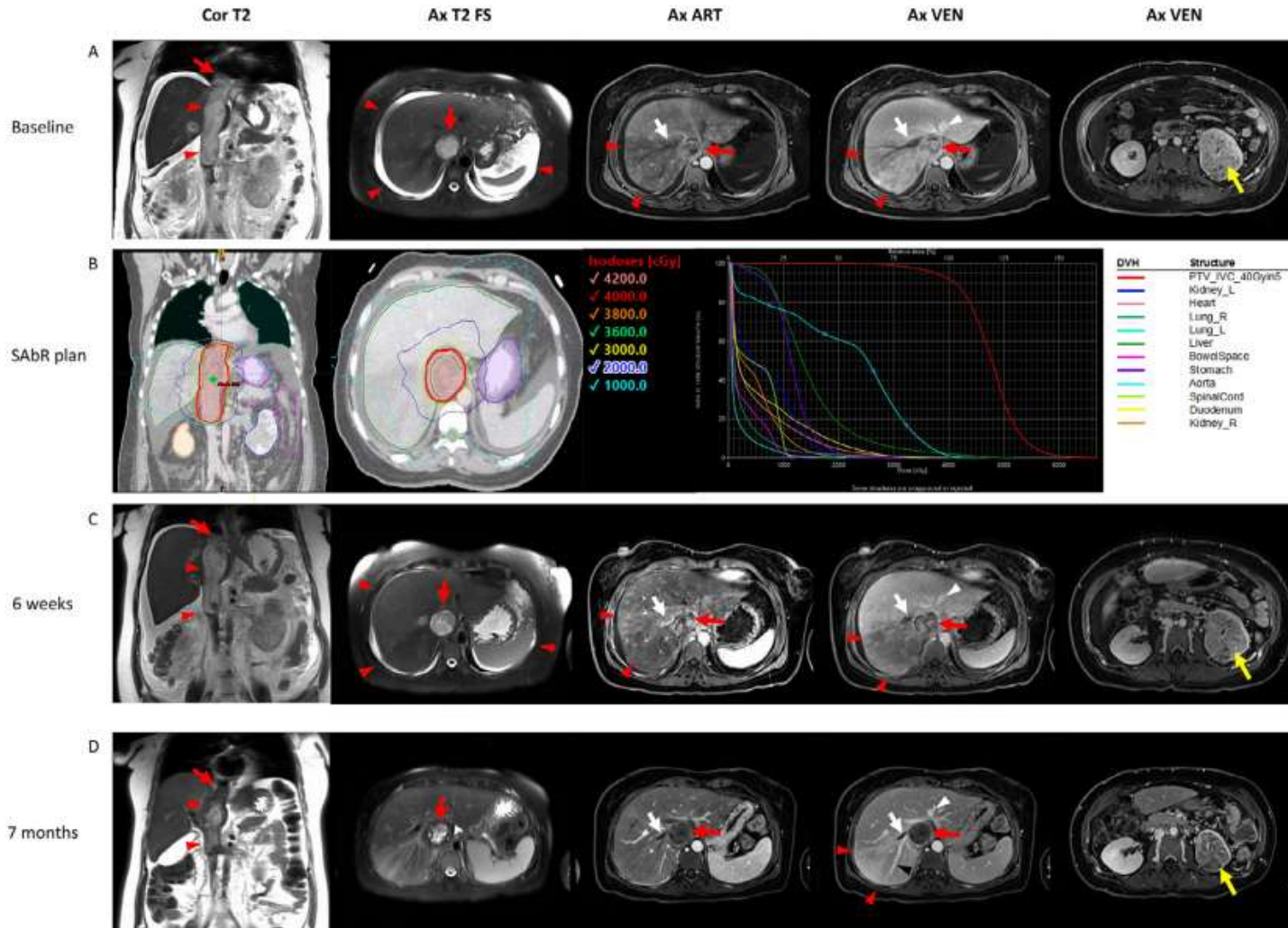
- 67y/M
- Single Kidney  
(Previous RCC)
- GFR 60ml/m





# Clinical-kidney cancer Stereotactic ablative radiation therapy for renal cell carcinoma with inferior vena cava tumor thrombus

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# Summary

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- SBRT to primary RCC is a **real option in clinical practice**
    - It is safe (1-2% Gr 3 Tox)
    - It can be done on a standard Modern LA
    - Larger and solitary tumours amenable for SBRT
  - Post SBRT responses are slow and steady (**do not biopsy**)
  - Post SBRT GFR drop is 10-15ml/min over long term
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