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Stereotactic Radiosurgery

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SRS

- Introduction
- Stereotactic techniques
 - Frame based
 - Frameless, Image Guided
- Indications
- Quality of life

Introduction

- **Stereotaxy**

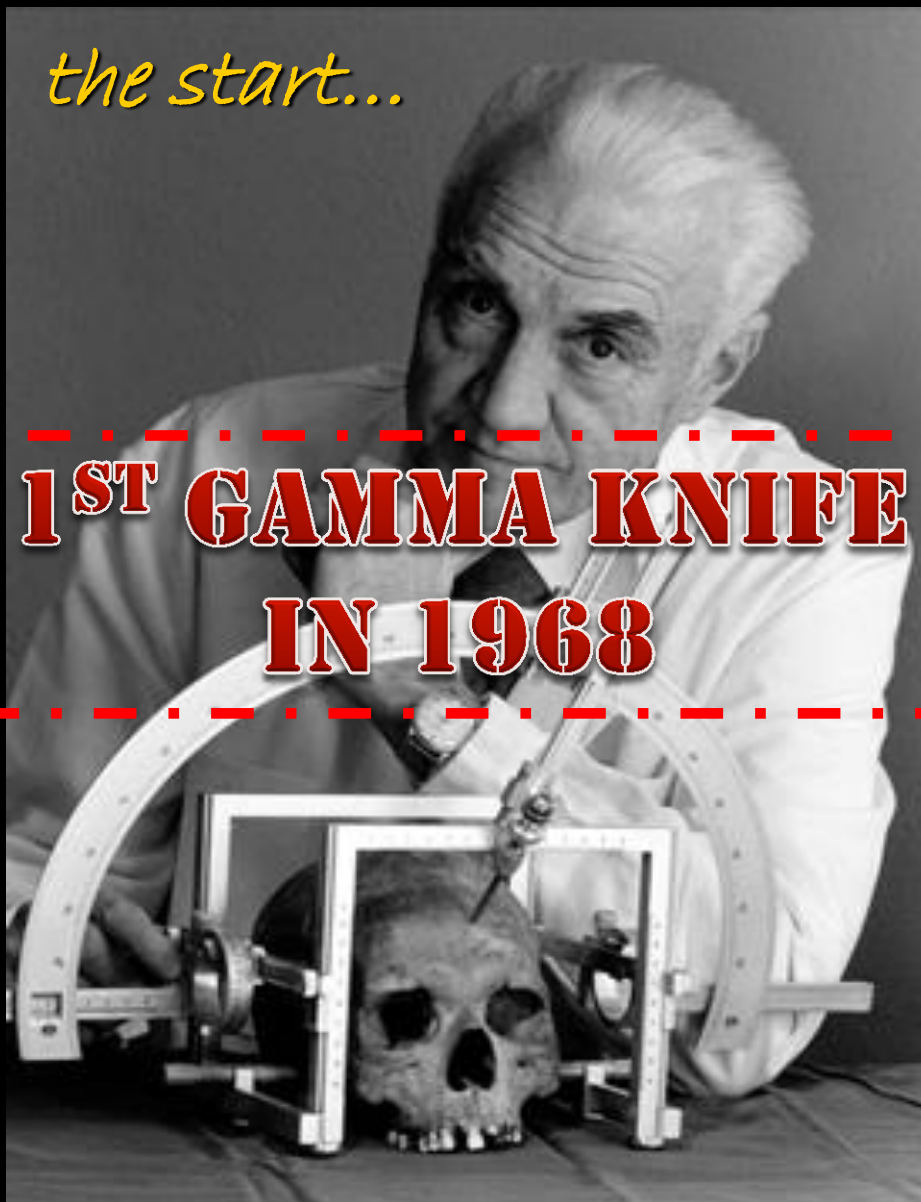
- Precise three-dimensional mapping technique to guide a procedure

- **SRS**

- Stereotactically guided conformal irradiation of a target in a single session

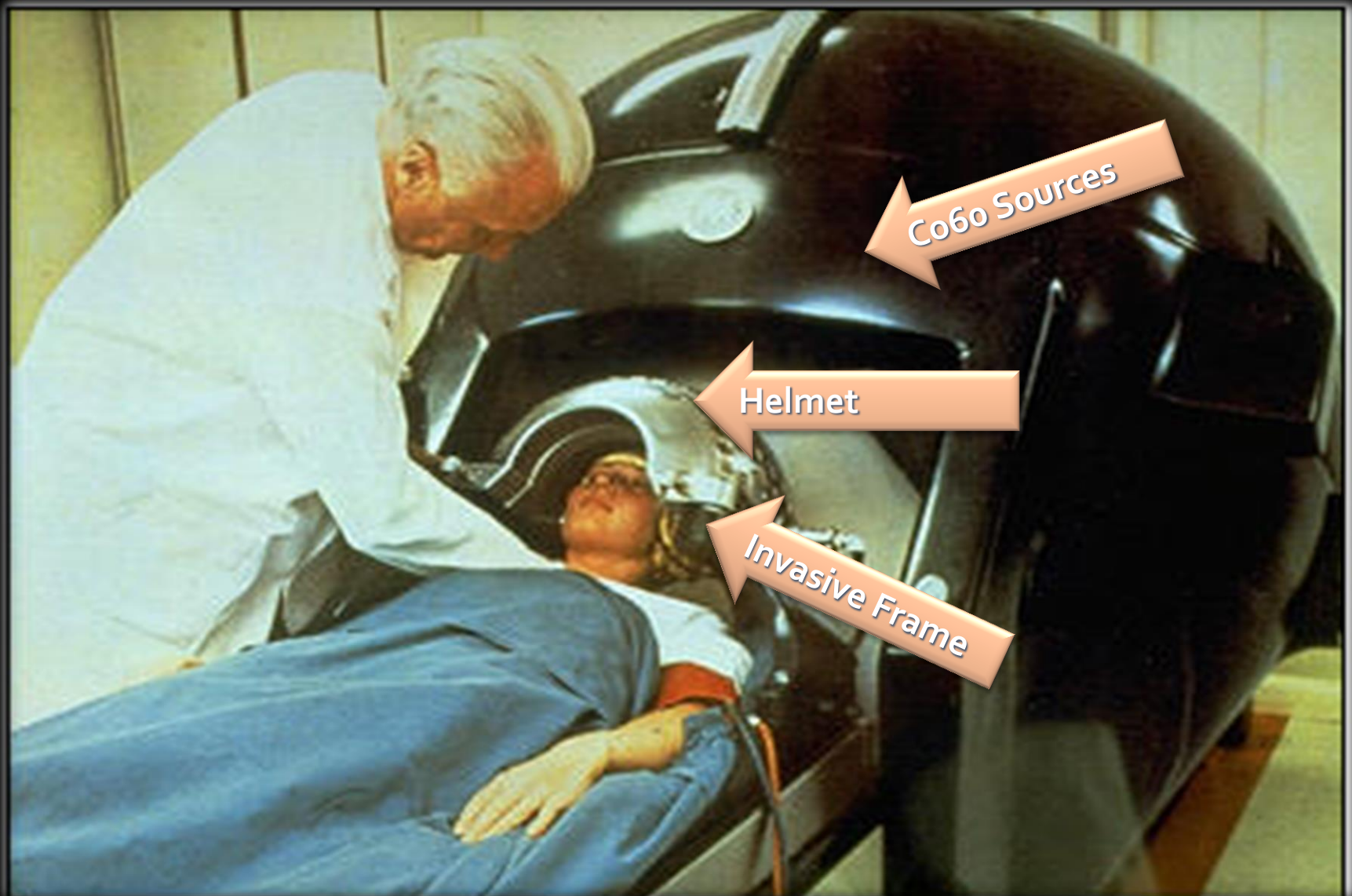
the start...

**1ST GAMMA KNIFE
IN 1968**

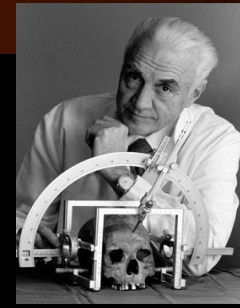


Prof. Lars Leksell

Prof Lars Leksell with first Gamma Knife in 1968



the development...



1951

Concept of Radiosurgery by Prof Leksell

1968

1st Gamma Knife in Stockholm, Sweden

1988

Linac-based Radiosurgery, Univ of Florida

1997

3mm Micro MLC M3 by BrainLab

2006

Frameless Radiosurgery by BrainLab

SRS: Gamma Knife vs. LinAc

Gamma knife (Cobalt60)

- Dedicated
- High cost of source replacement
- Fractionation not possible
- More rigid

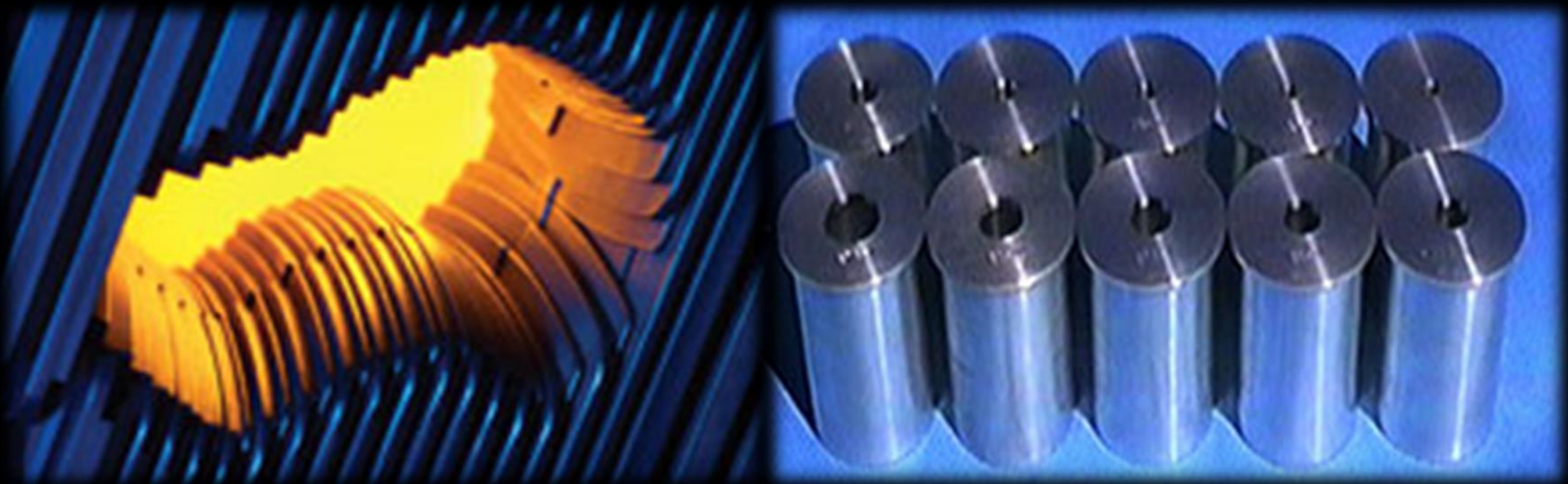
Linac (X rays)

- Versatile
- No recurrent cost
- More suitable for irregular targets
- Fractionation possible
- Less rigid

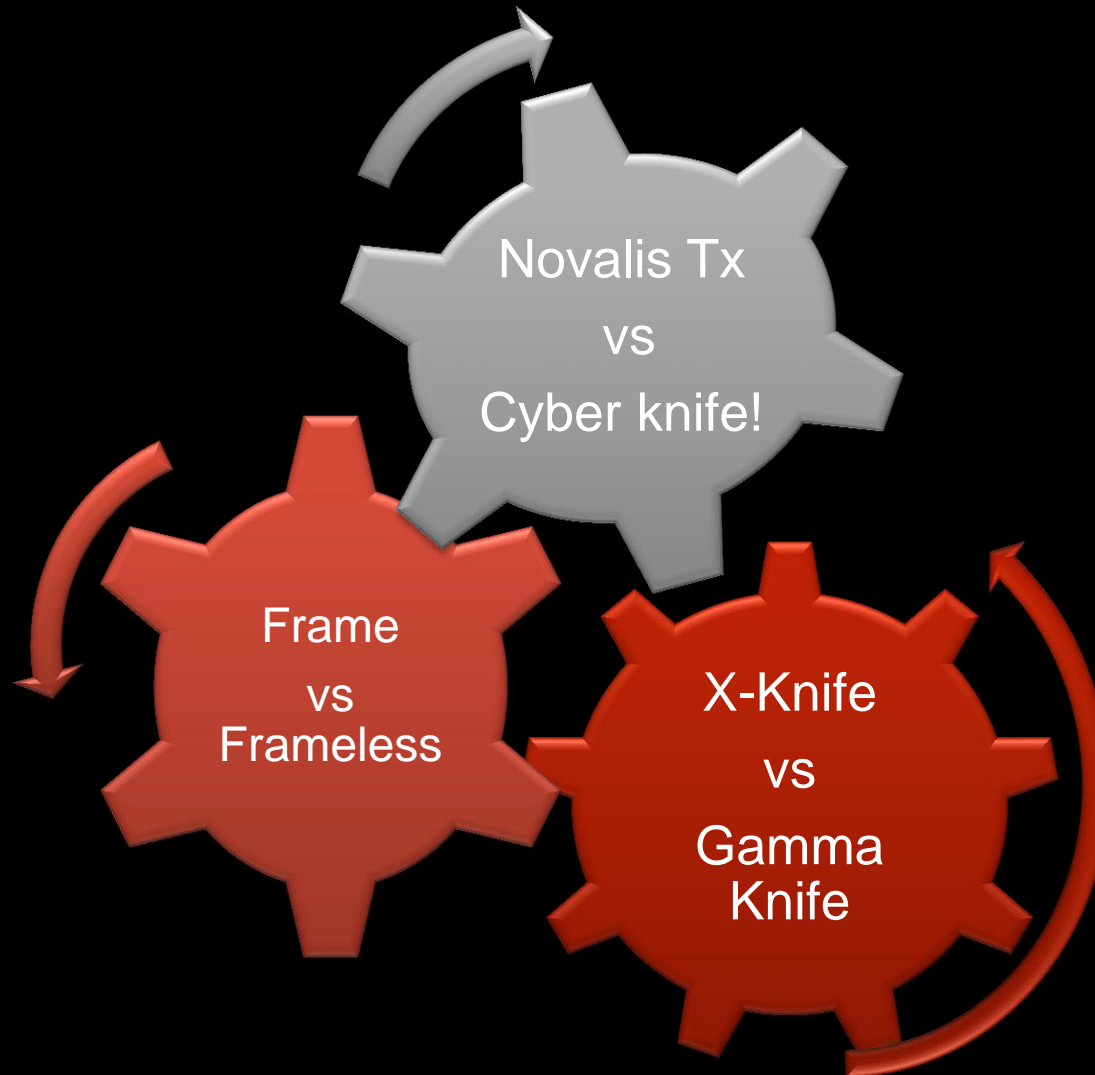
LinAc Radiosurgery:1988

Localisation: Frame or Image Guided





Beam shaping: MLC or Cone



Spoilt for Choice!



LinAc Based Stereotactic..

-  X Knife
-  NovalisTX
-  Cyberknife
-  Tomotherapy

Cyber Knife

Image guided frameless



NovalisTx - Versatile + Accurate



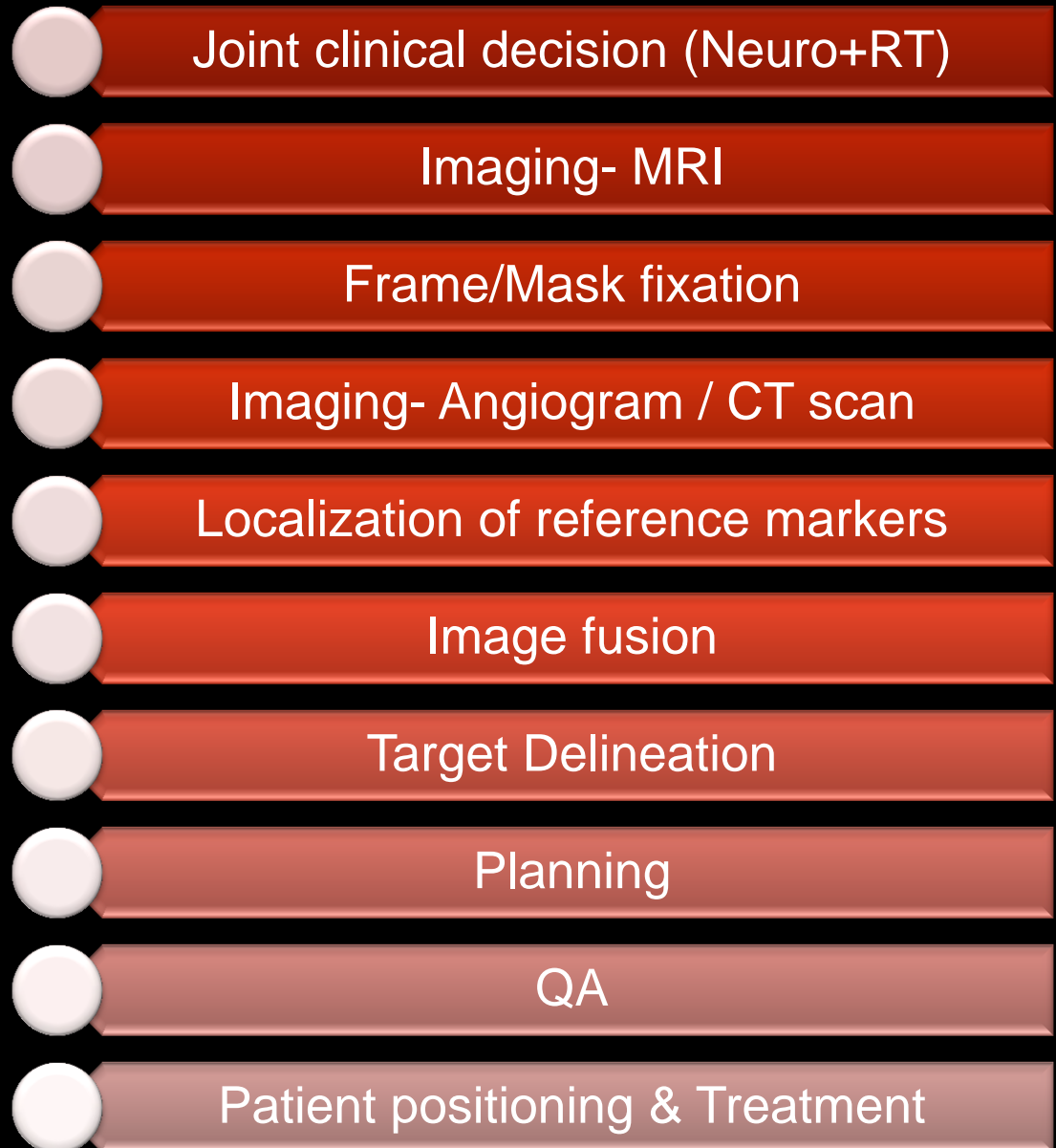
***Novalis TX** Versatile + Accurate*

- Hi Def mMLC 2.5 mm
- OBI: KV imaging & CBCT
- 6D Robotic Couch
- Adaptive and RPM Gating
- ExacTrac positioning, Verification
- iPlan SRS Planning System



SRS

Workflow



Workflow

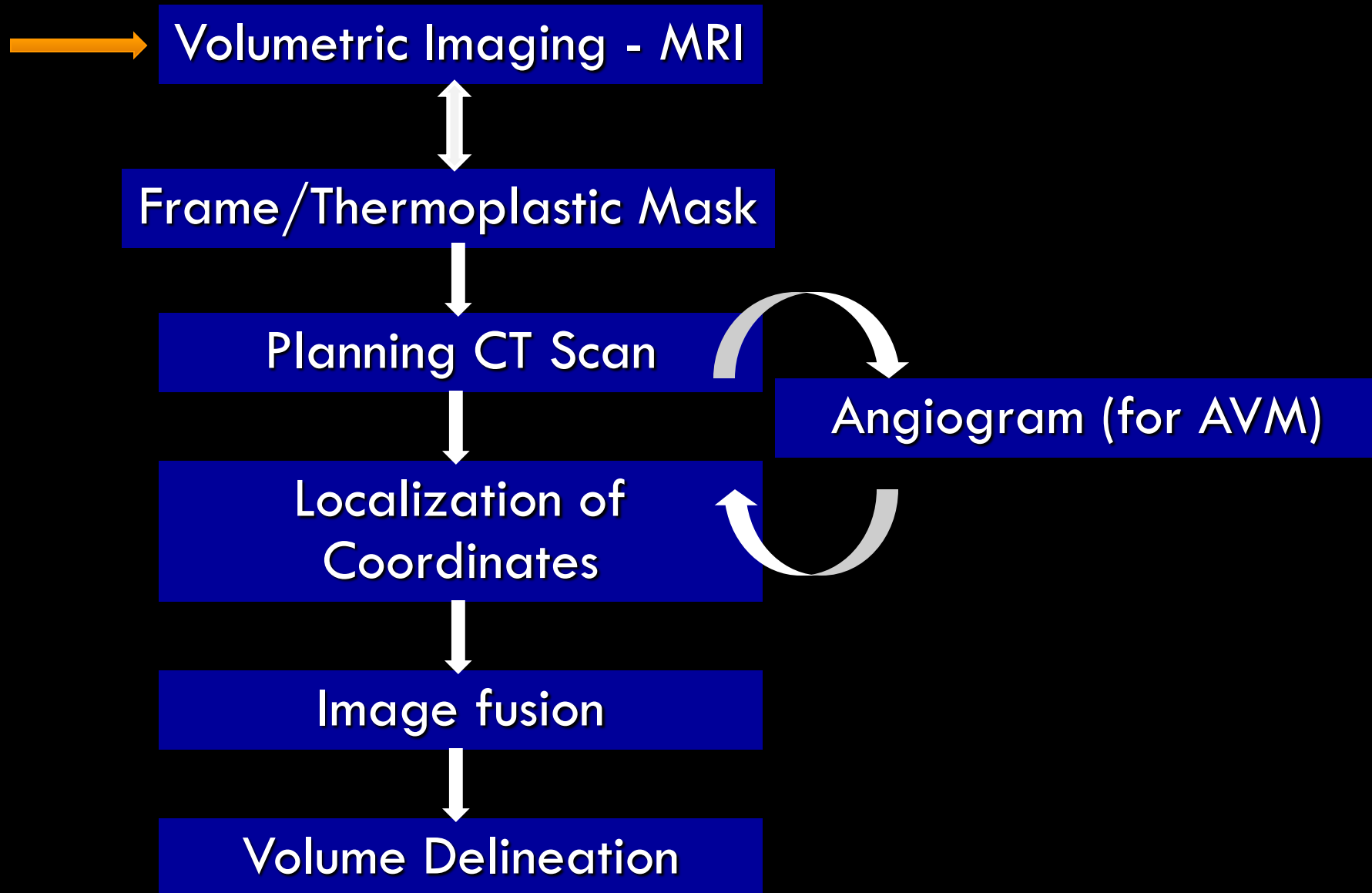


Joint Clinical Decision

Frame or Frameless

Dose Fractionation

the workflow ...

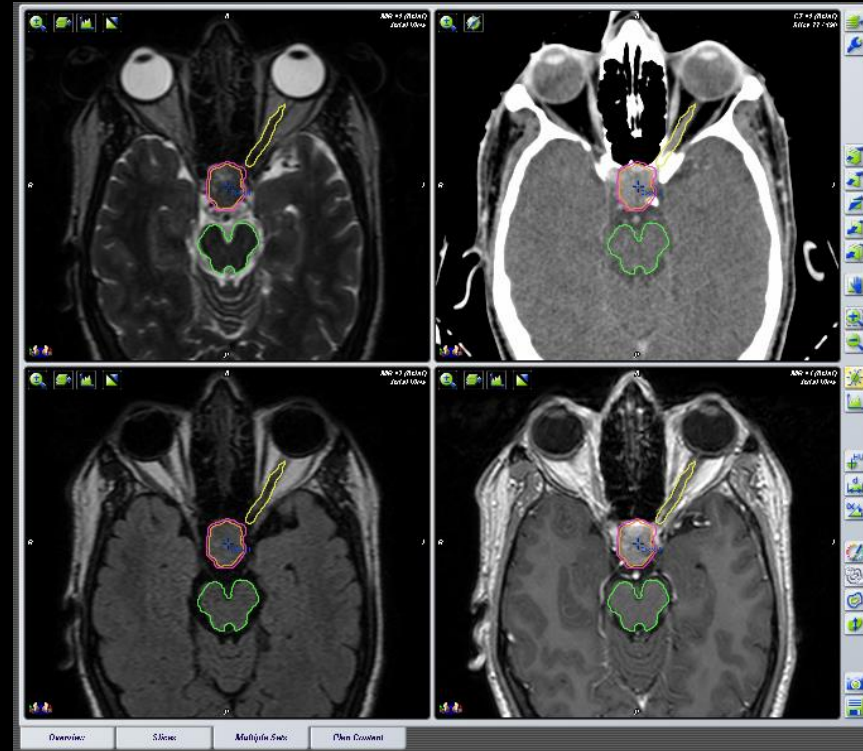


Procedure of Radiosurgery

3D-multimodality imaging...

MRI

- T1 Plain & Contrast
- T2
- Flair
- 3D Volumetric Study
- 1.5mm
- True Axial
- 512 x 512 matrix DICOM RT compatible



the workflow ...

Volumetric Imaging - MRI

**Frame/
Thermoplastic Mask**

Planning CT Scan

Localization of
Coordinates

Image fusion

Volume Delineation

Angiogram (for AVM)



the procedure...

Frame



Frameless



... why not painless non invasive?

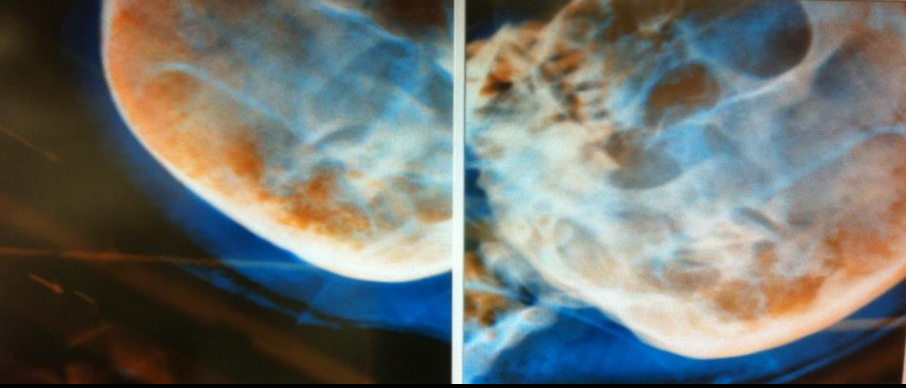
Frame based



Frameless, mask based



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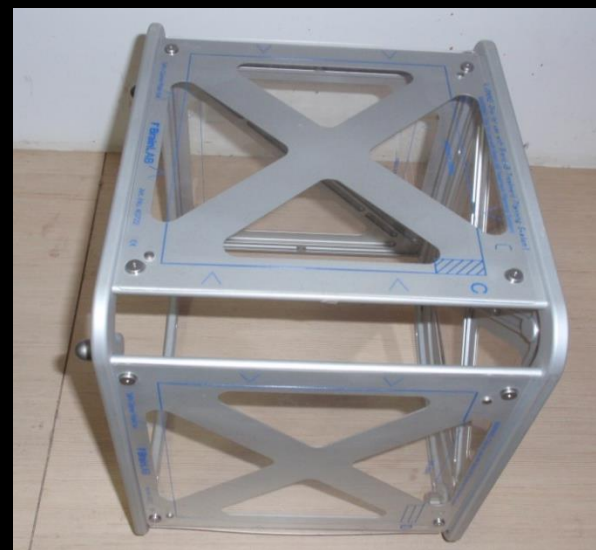


Frameless ExacTrac System

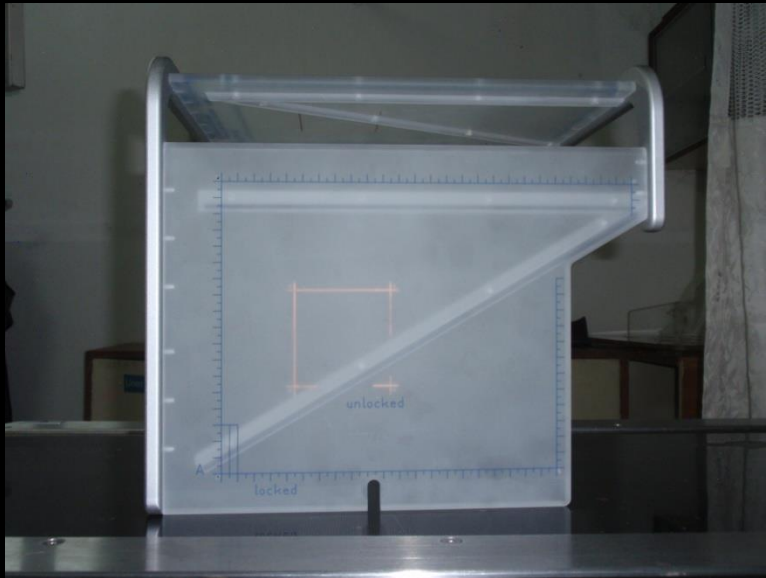
Conclusions / Advantages

- Easier on the patient
- Easier on the Physician
- Flexible
- Faster
- Accurate
- Check possible in all couch / treatment positions
- Can be fractionated if necessary

Frame : BrainLab CT Localizer

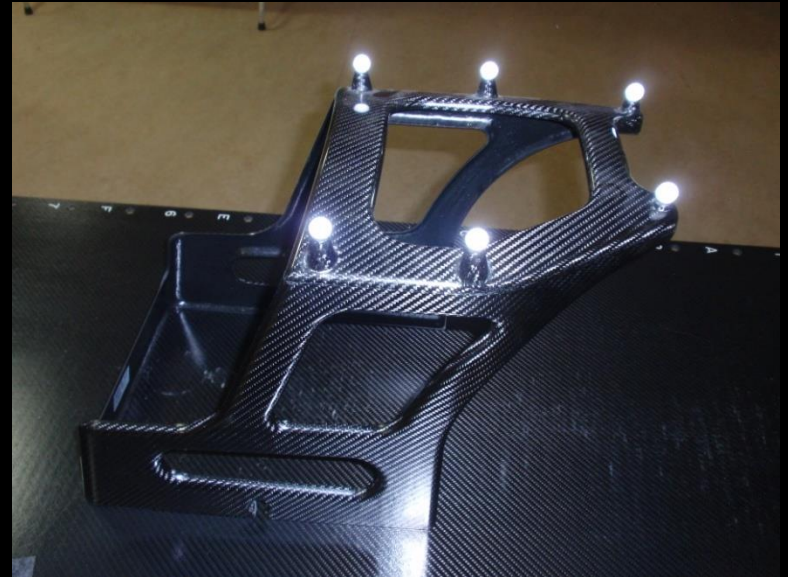


Frameless : Localization

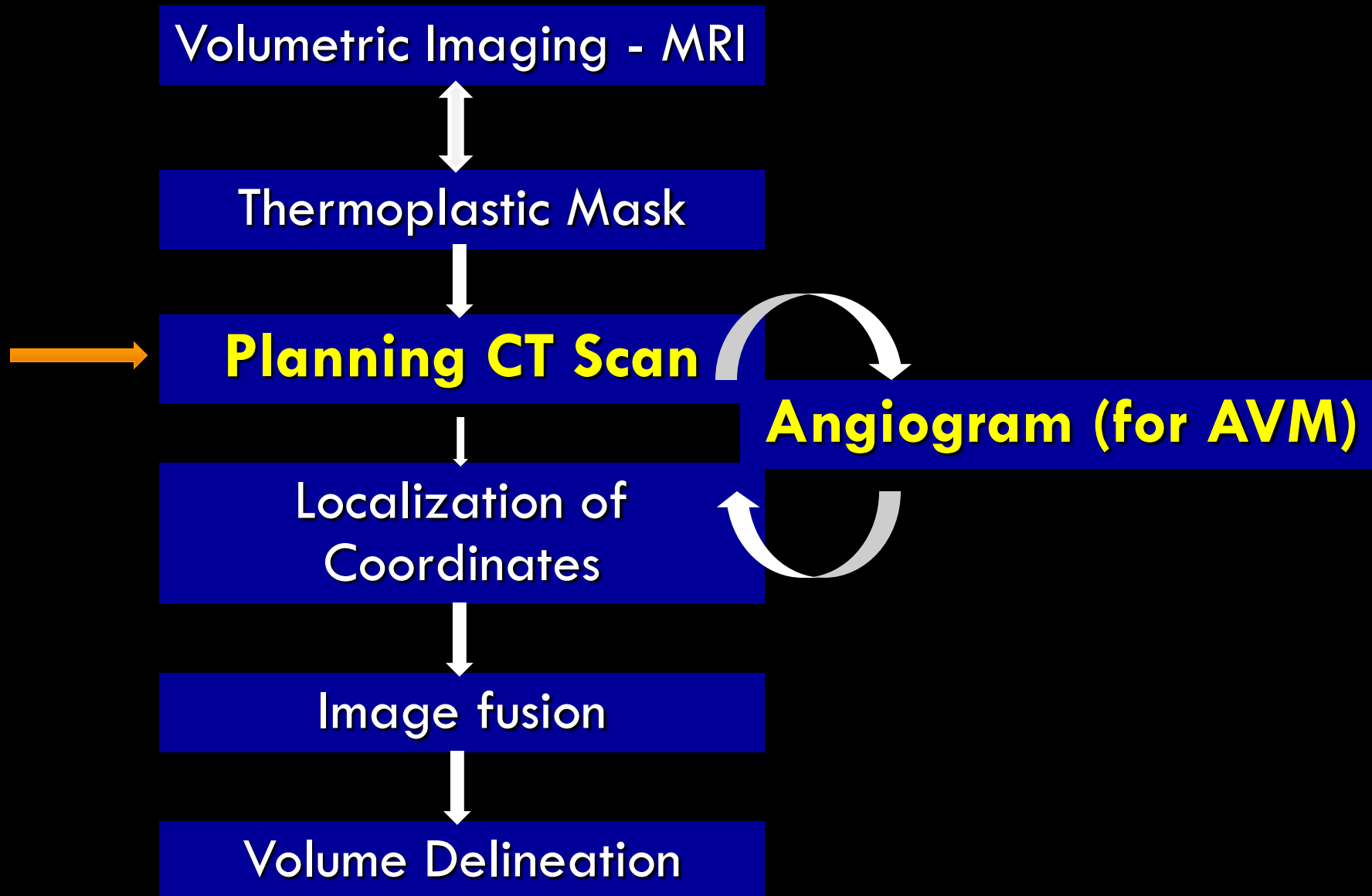


- H&N Localizer Box used during CT/ ANGIO
- Supports all lesions down to T1 spine
- Attached to CARBON BASE PLATE of H&N mask

- Frameless Radiosurgery position array used during treatment
- Helps in tracking pt position during treatment



the workflow ...



Procedure of Radiosurgery

3D-multimodality imaging...

CT Scan



1.5 mm true axial cuts

Contrast administration –
1 to 1.5ml/kg

FOV must cover entire
localizer box

In treatment position, with the mask & localization box

Procedure of Radiosurgery

3D-multimodality imaging...

Angiography (AVM)



With the localizer box in situ

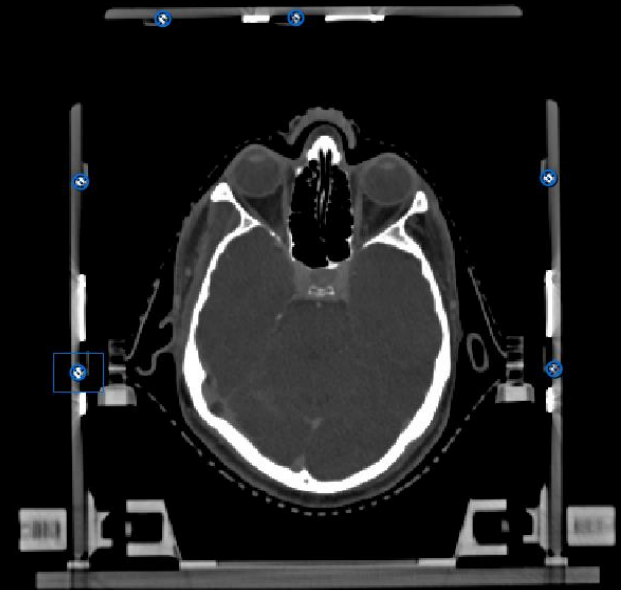
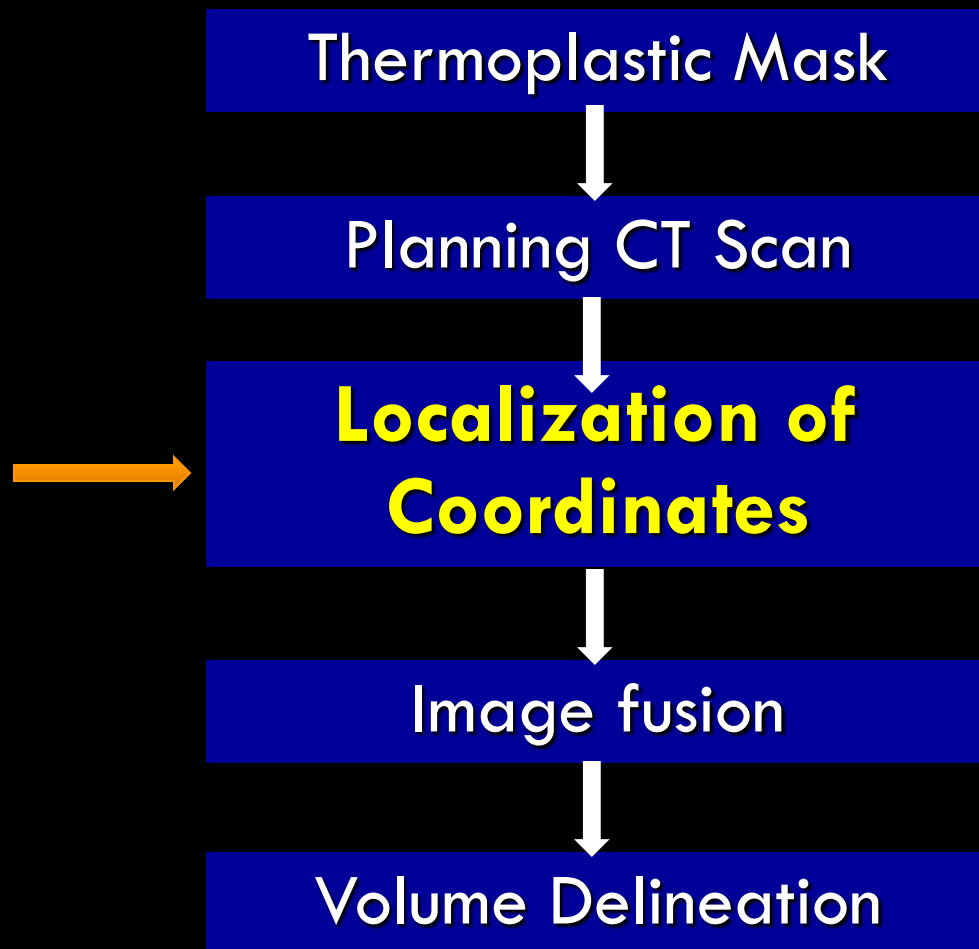
Orthogonal Images

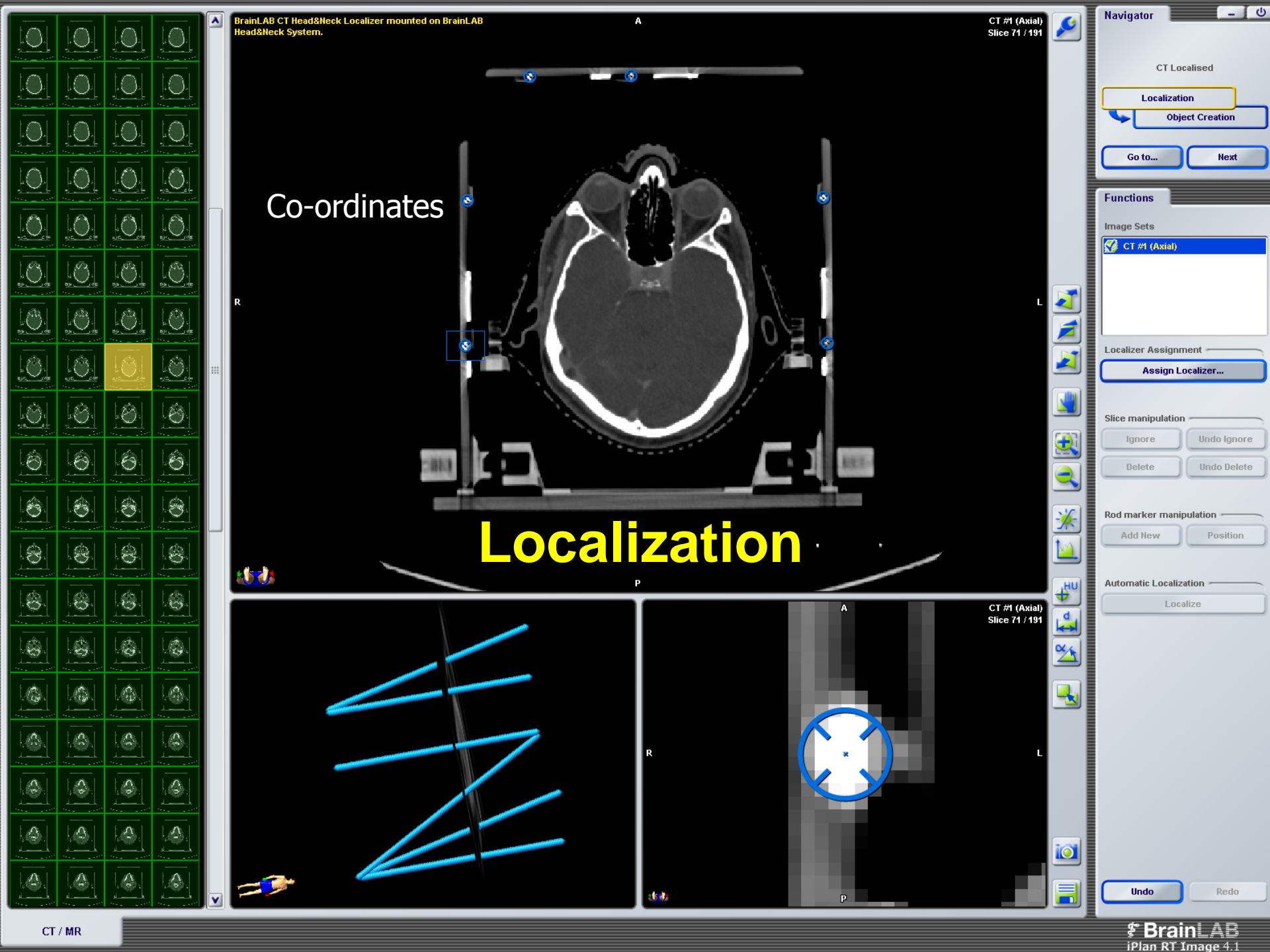
DICOM RT compatible

Early Arterial Phase

Main Feeding Vessel

the workflow ...





BrainLAB CT Head&Neck Localizer mounted on BrainLAB Head&Neck System.

CT #1 (Axial)
Slice 71 / 191

Navigator

CT Localised

Localization

Object Creation

Go to...

Next

Functions

Image Sets

CT #1 (Axial)

Localizer Assignment

Assign Localizer...

Slice manipulation

Ignore

Undo Ignore

Delete

Undo Delete

Rod marker manipulation

Add New

Position

Automatic Localization

Localize

Undo

Redo

Co-ordinates

Localization

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Slice 71 / 191

CT / MR

BrainLAB
iPlan RT Image 4.1

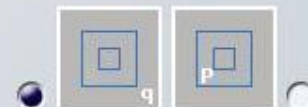
Localization for AVM

FRONTAL

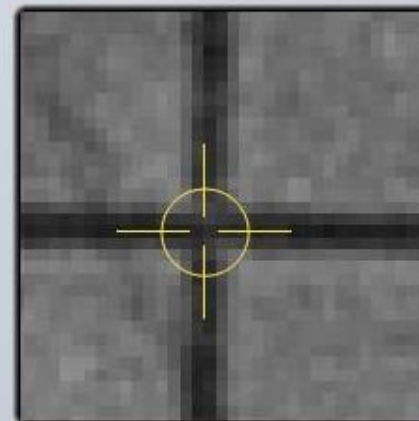
Assigned Localizer

BrainLAB CT/X-Ray Head&Neck
Localizer mounted on BrainLAB
Head&Neck System

Select View Orientation

**Mirror Image**

Magnifier



Back

Next

Cancel

the workflow ...

Thermoplastic Mask



Planning CT Scan



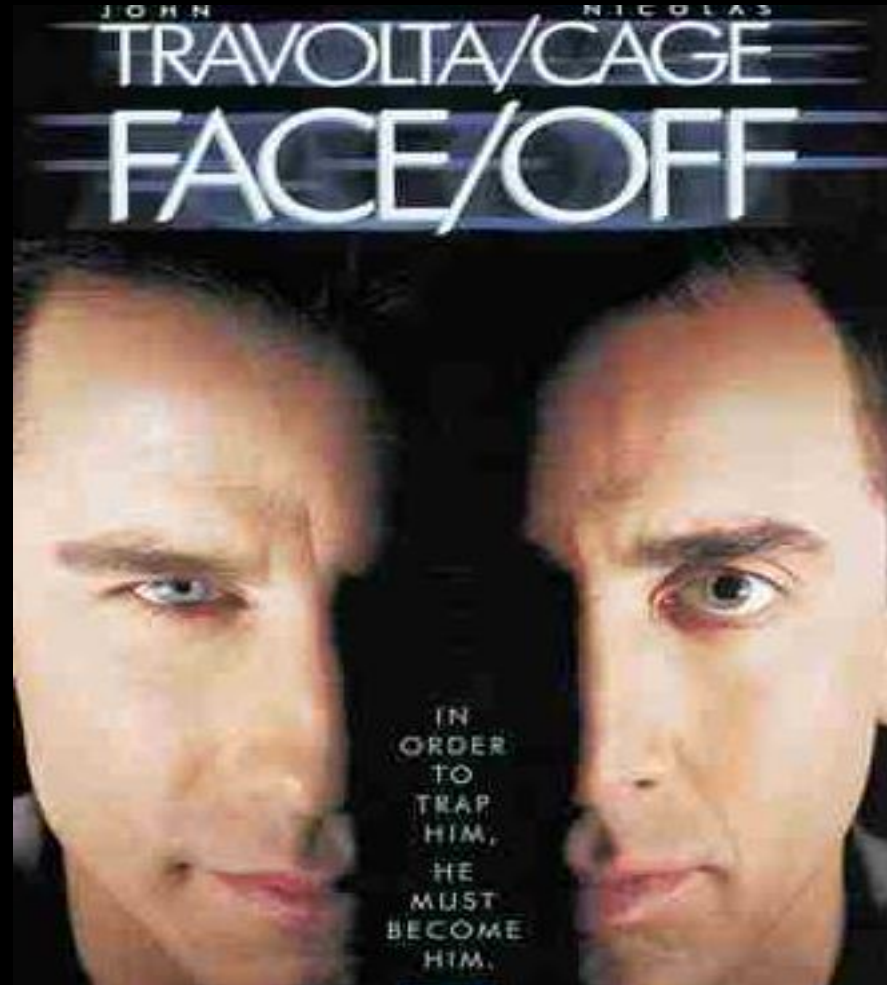
Localization of Coordinates

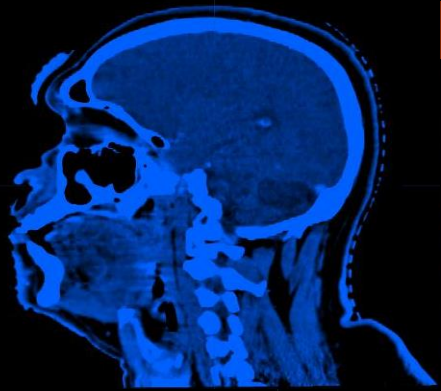


Image fusion



Volume Delineation





Workflow

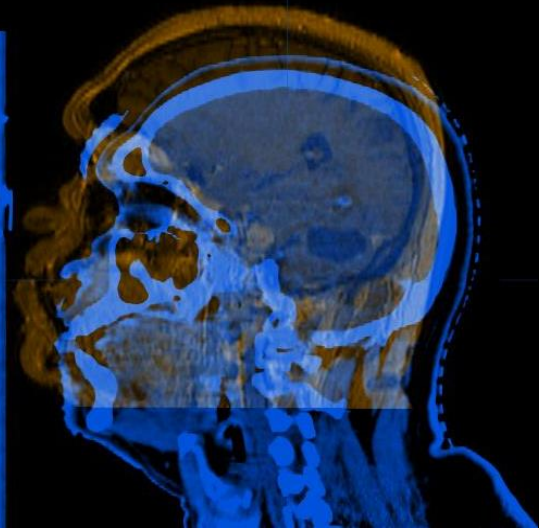
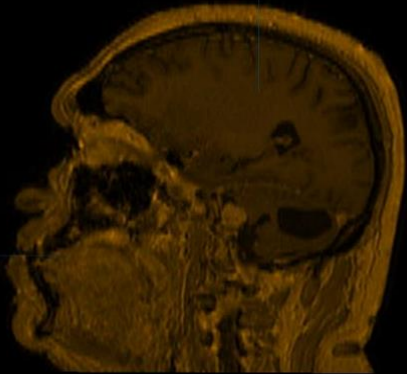
Image Fusion

iPlan Planning System

Automatic vs Manual

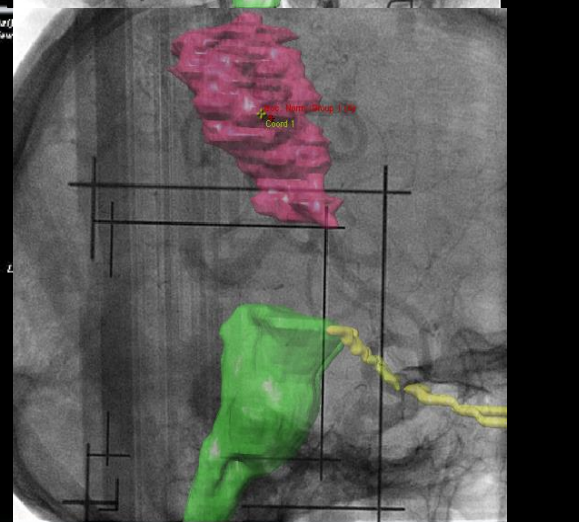
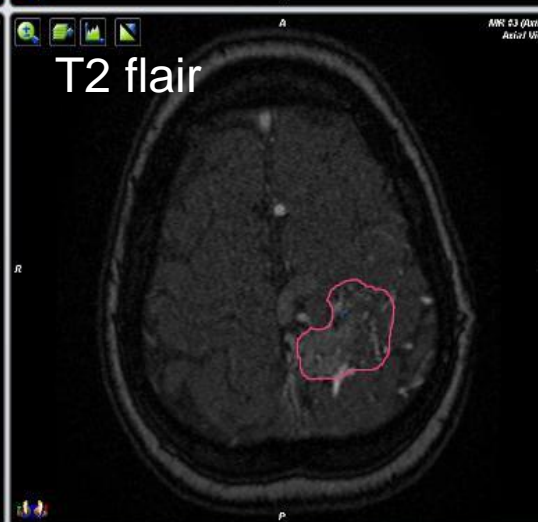
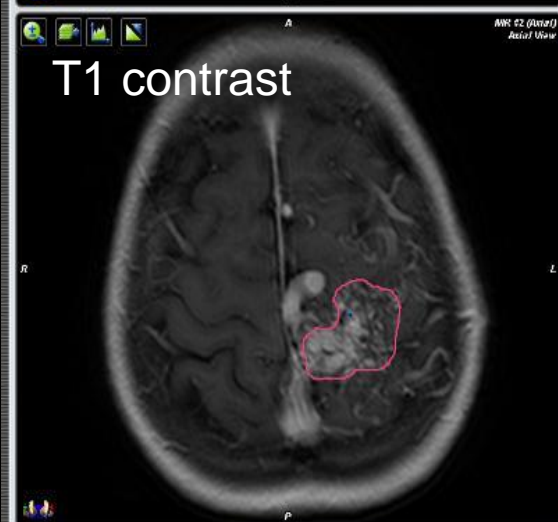
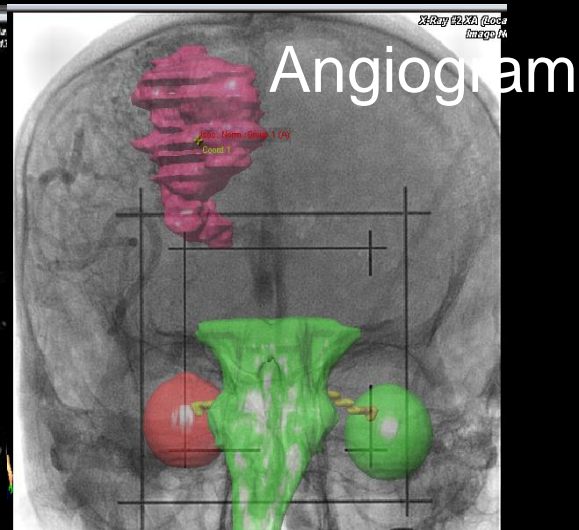
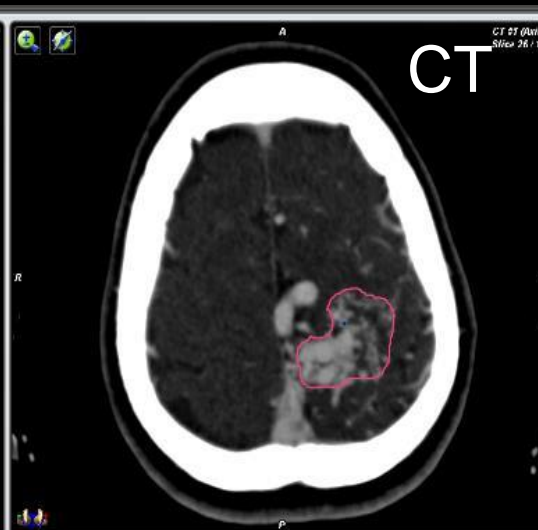
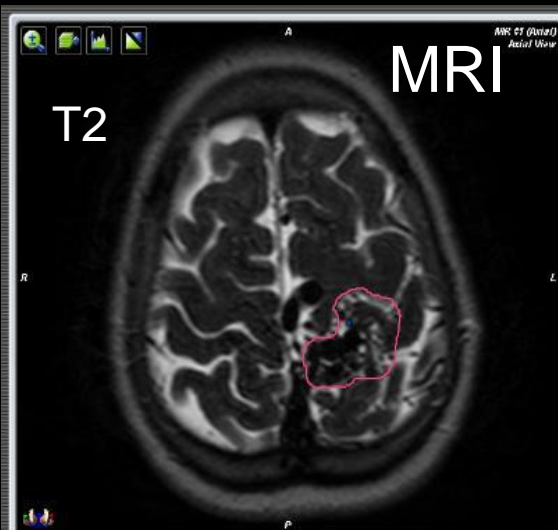
Clinically relevant area

Creating fusion pair of all series





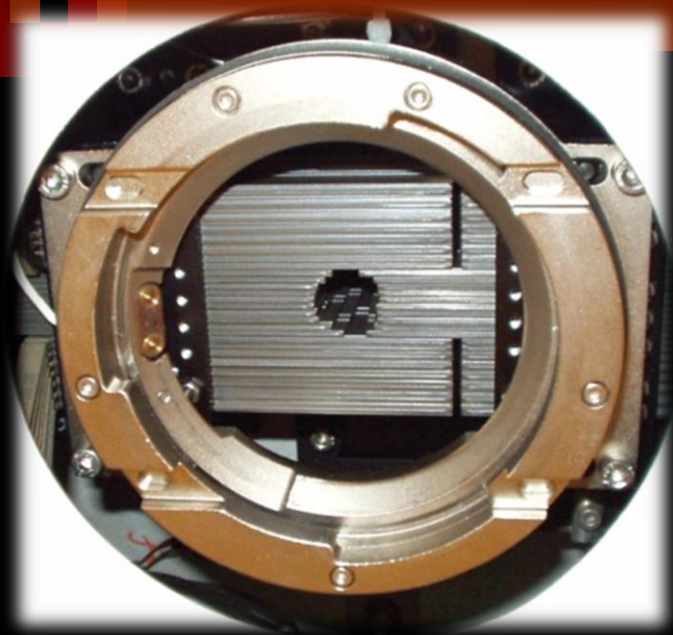
Target Delineation



Radiation dose Constraints ...

Normal Structures

- Brainstem, Eyes,
- Optic N, Chiasm, Optic Tract,
- Temporal Lobe, PHA
- Cochlea, internal ear
- Spinal cord

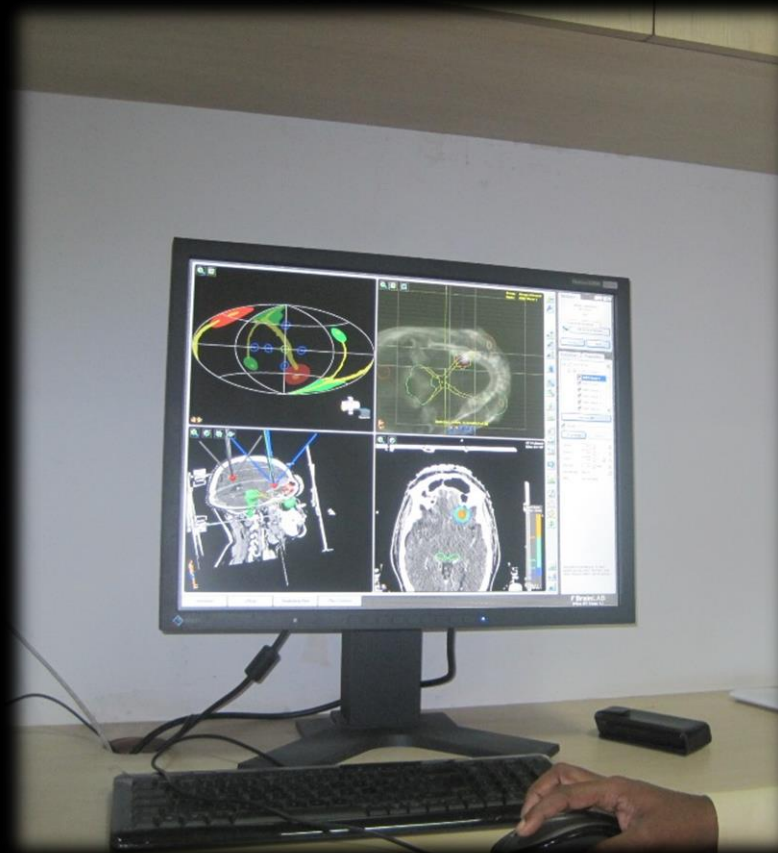


mMLC

Cone



Work flow... Planning

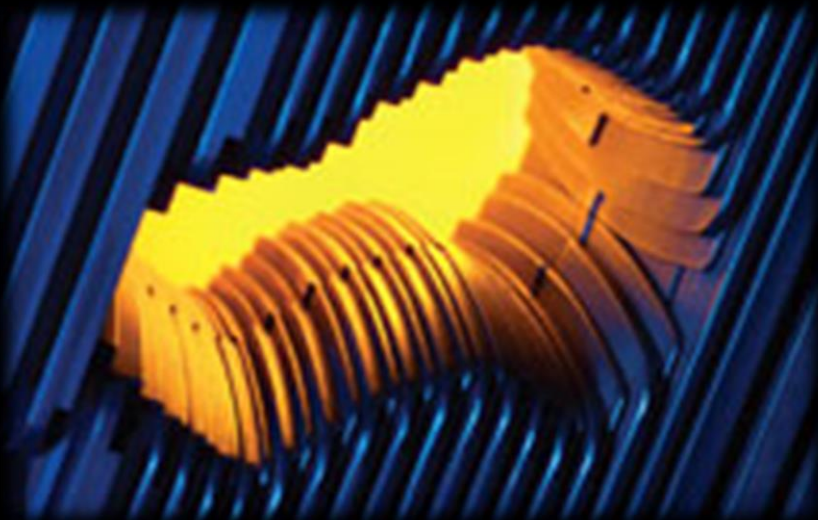


IMRS, Dynamic Arc, Static Conformal

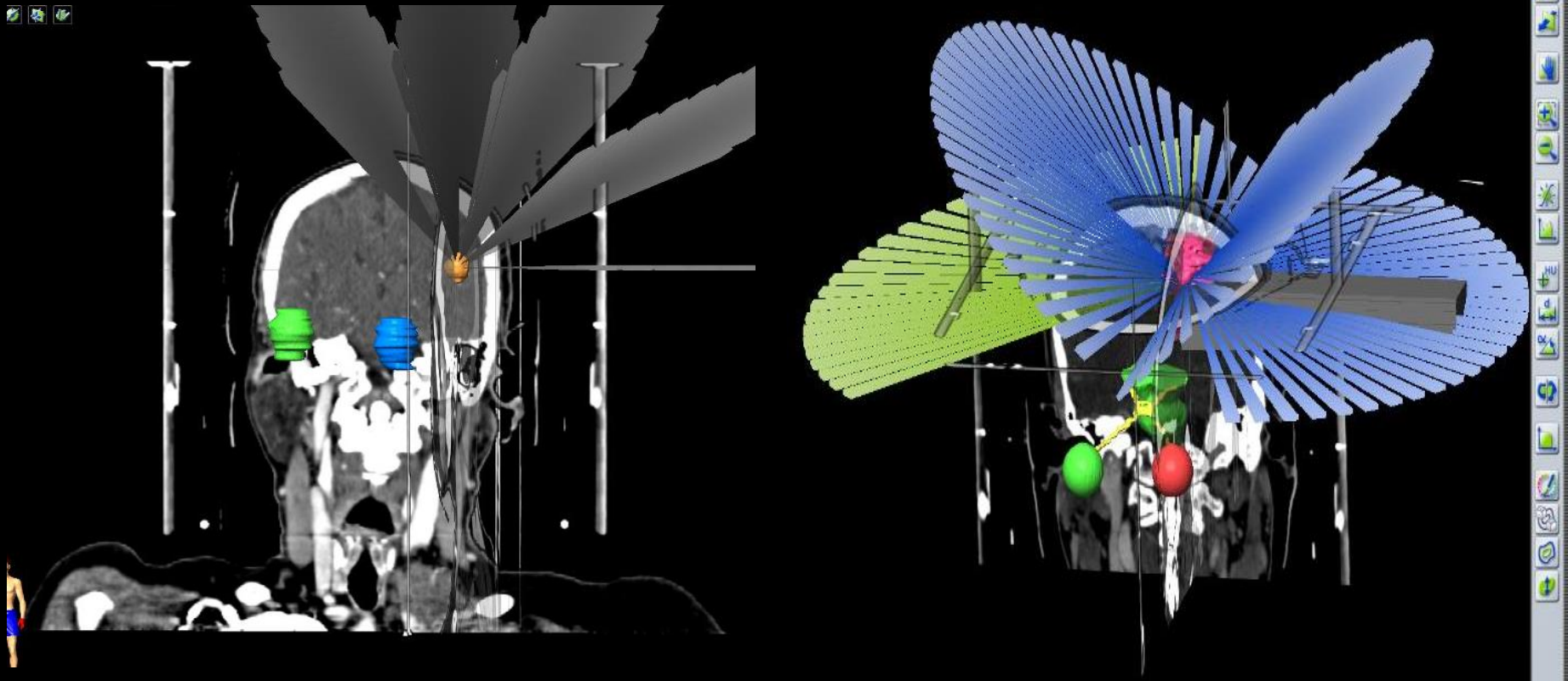
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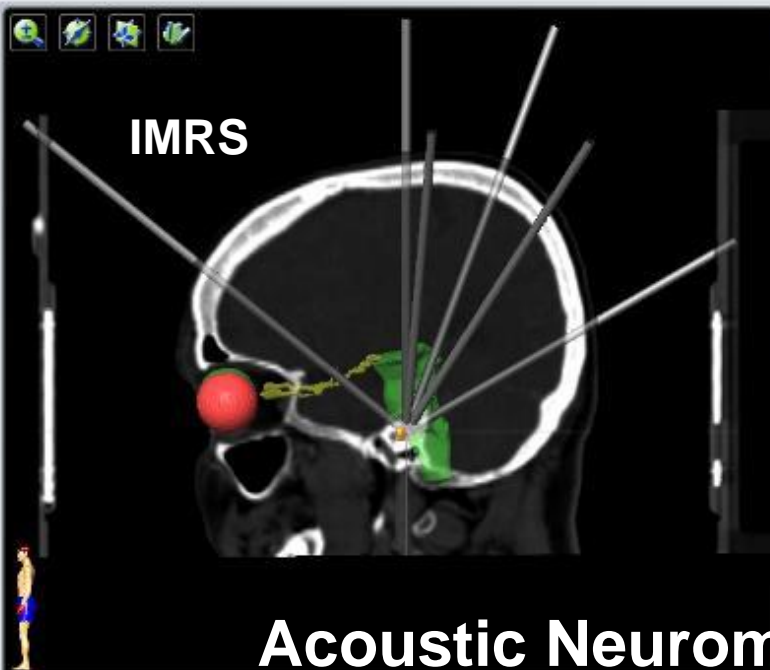
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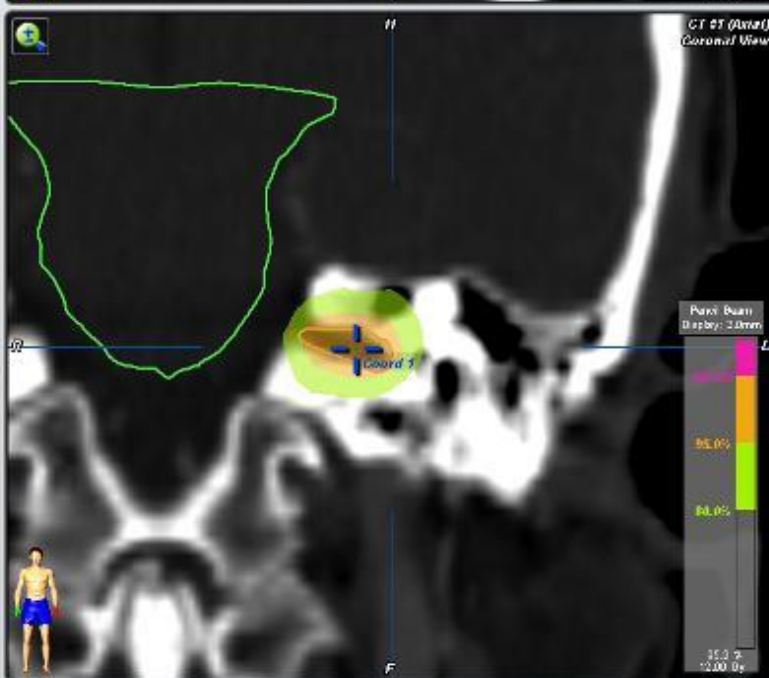
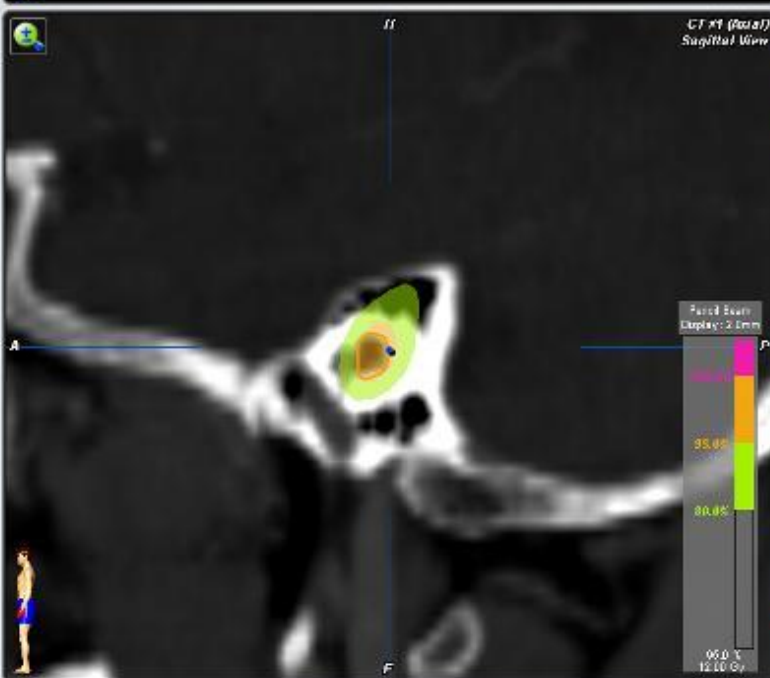
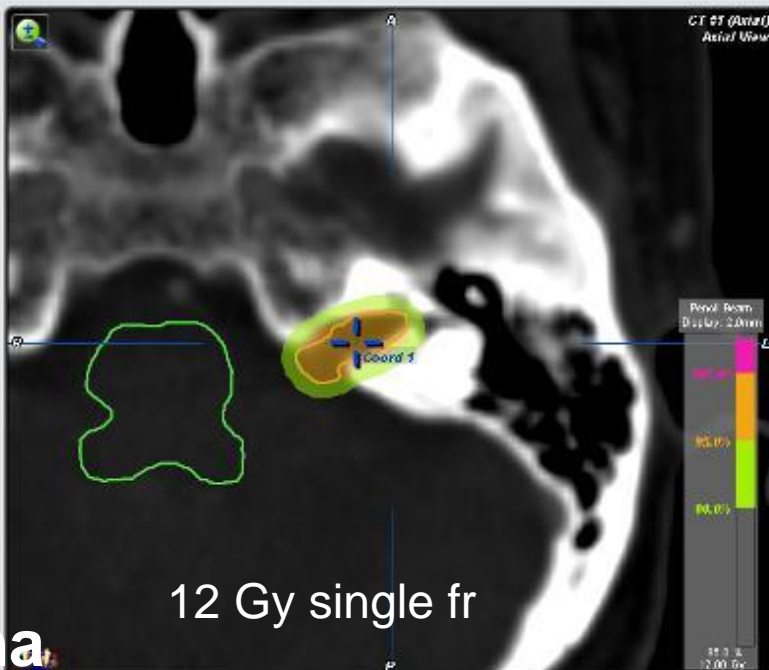
Computer Planning... *I plan*



IMRS, Conformal beam, Dynamic Arc, Cone based
Co-planar, Non co-planar, Multiple arcs



Acoustic Neuroma



Navigator

FINAL IMRS

Object Creation

Treatment Planning

Go to... Next

Object

- TTH CRANIAL NE...
- RTH CRA NERVE
- Brainstem
- Chiasm
- Cochlea, Left
- Eye, Left
- Eye, Right

New... Remove

Auto Segmentation...

Brush Size Contours

Outlining

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SmartSlicer...

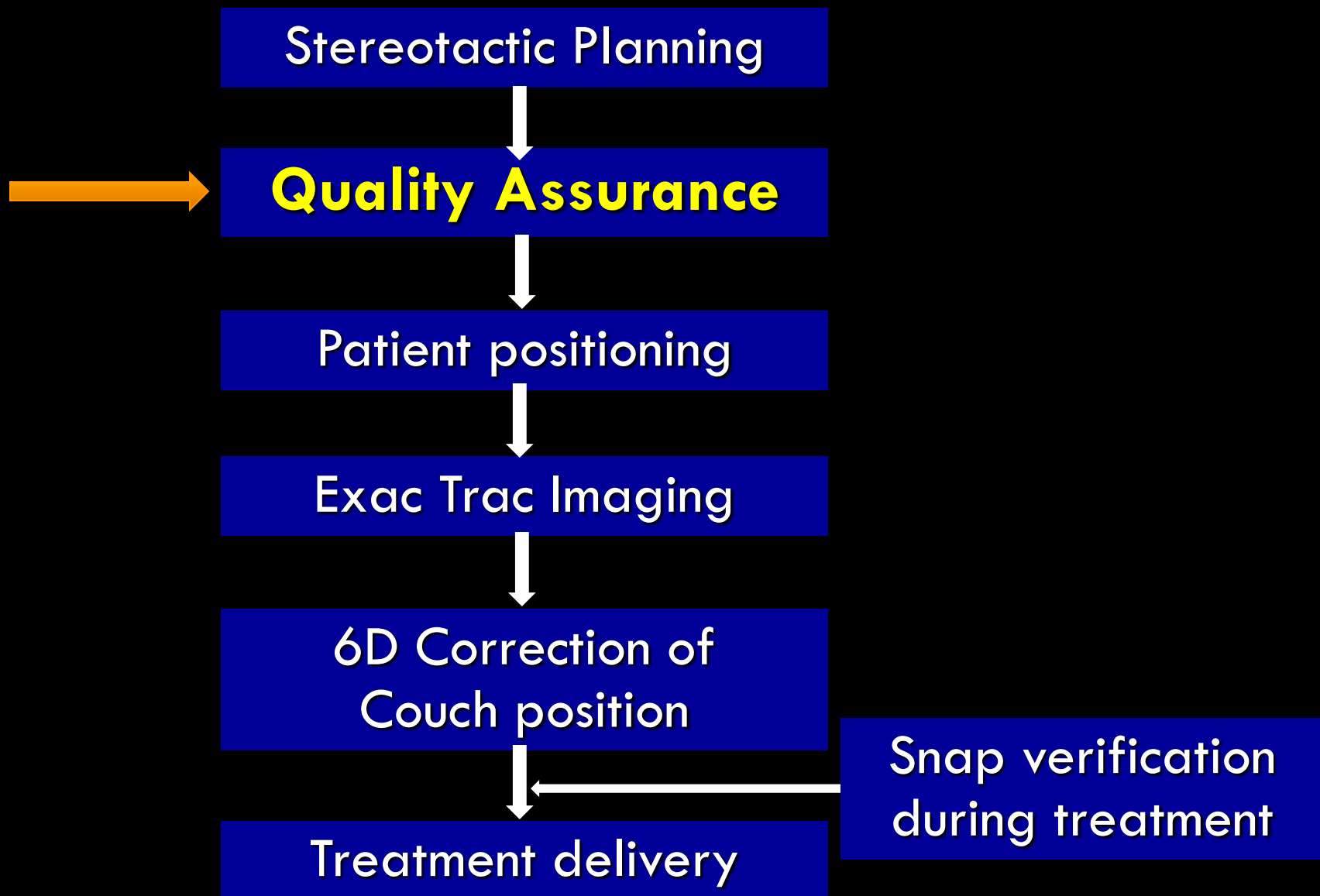
Auto Fill Interpolation

Advanced Manipulation...

Role Reassignment...

Undo Redo

The workflow ...

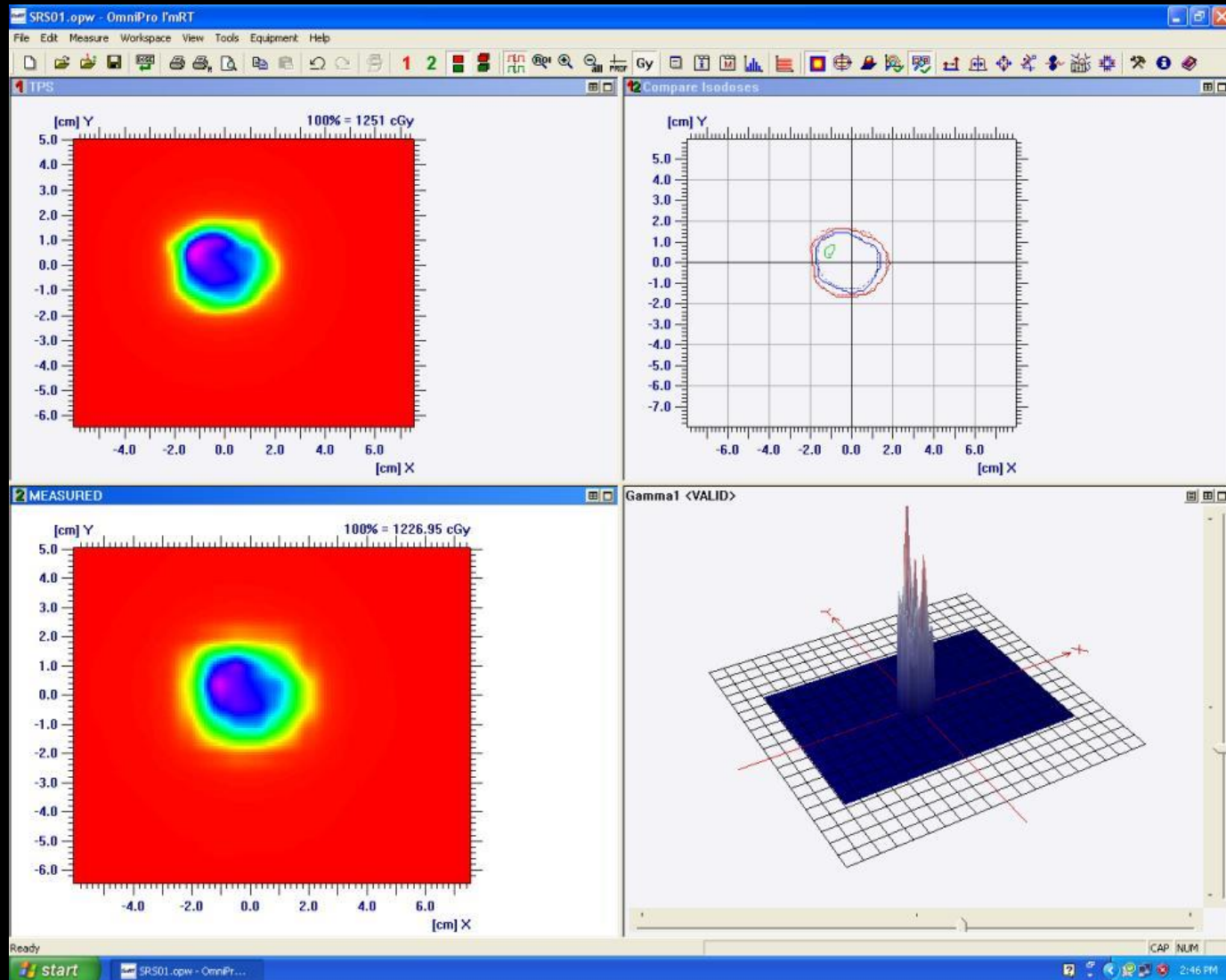


QA Protocols

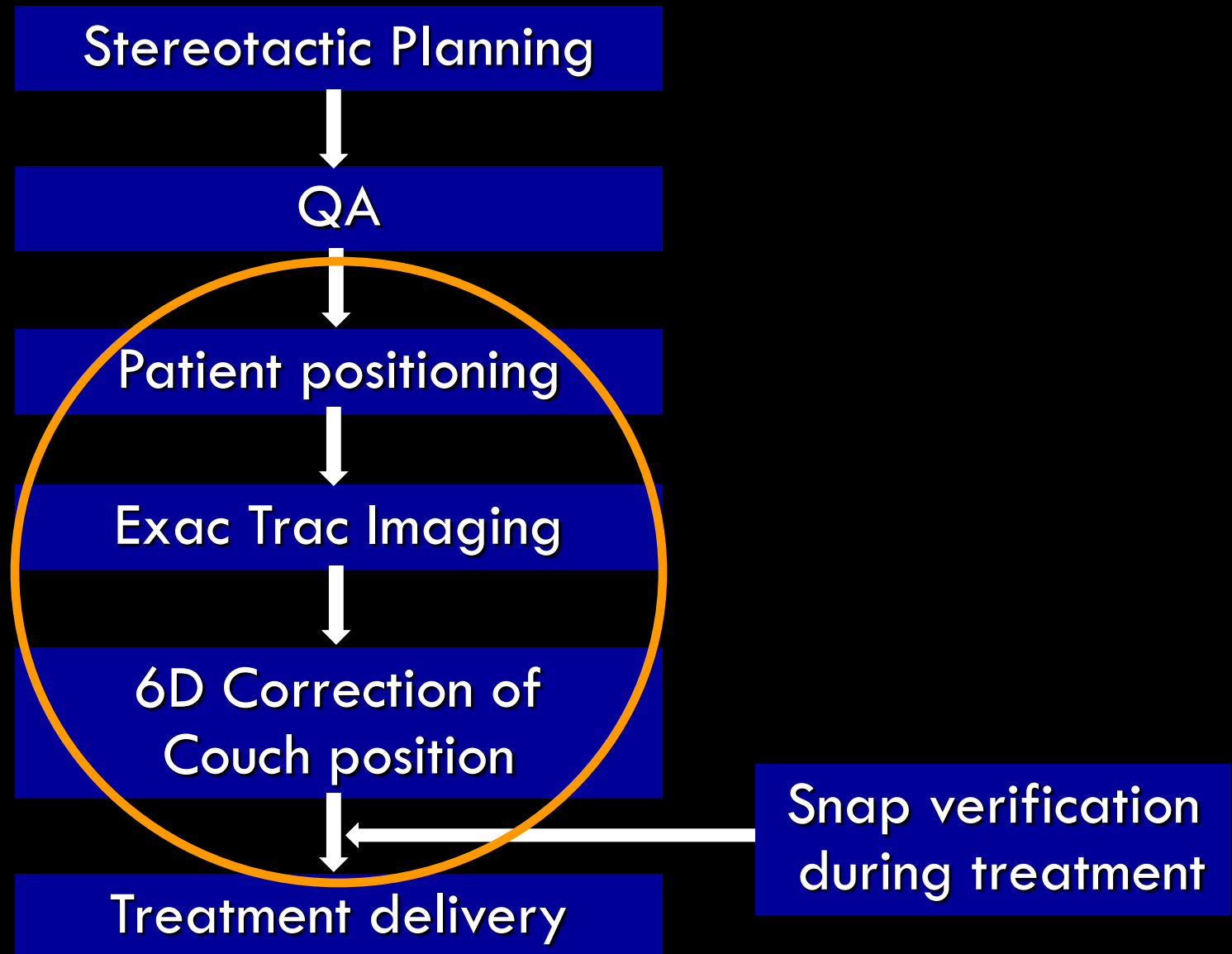
QA Protocols for SRS fall into 3 categories

- **The basic QA protocols**
 - performance of the equipment,
 - proper immobilization,
 - planning and radio-surgical dose delivery
- **The treatment QA protocol**
 - Calibration &
 - preparation of the equipment prior to SRS/SRT
- **Patient Specific Treatment QA**
 - Protocol dealing with patient Specific QA.

The Quality Assurance! ...



the workflow ...



Patient Positioning

the components ...



- Isocenter verification WL pointer
- Perfect Immobilization
- IR-based Stereotactic Positioning
- Automatic Patient Monitoring
- X-ray Correction with Exact trac
- 6D Robotics Angle Correction
- Auto/Manual Couch Rotation
- X-ray Snap Verification

treatment should be delivered only after verification of position in each couch angle by 2 X-rays resulting in correction error ZERO

the mask...



... the localizer box

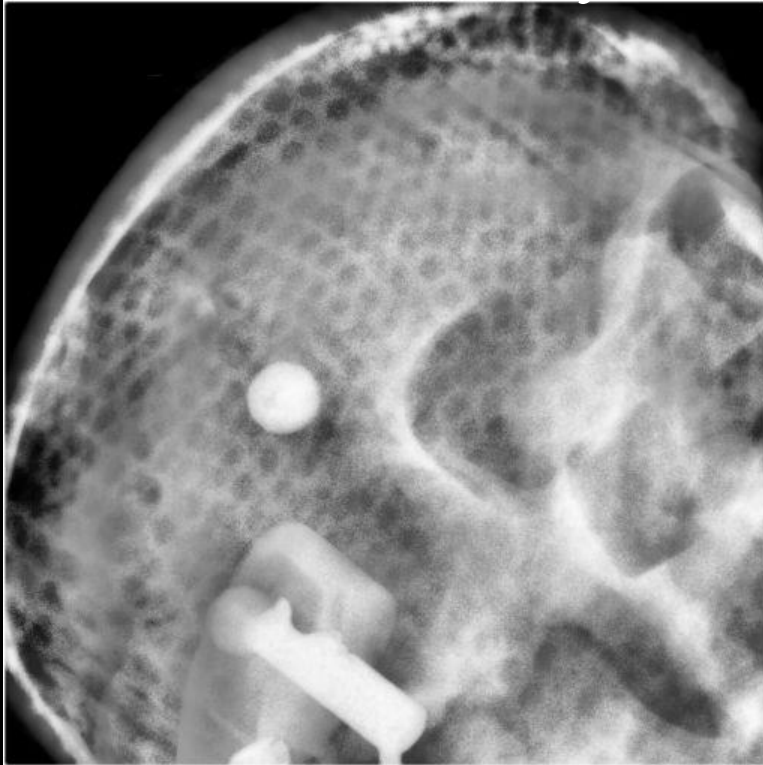
ExacTrac

takes two oblique stereoscopic X-ray images



Fusion with Oblique X Rays

Exactrac X Ray



DRR



Exactrac X ray images are fused to the digitally reconstructed radiograph from the treatment planning CT scan.

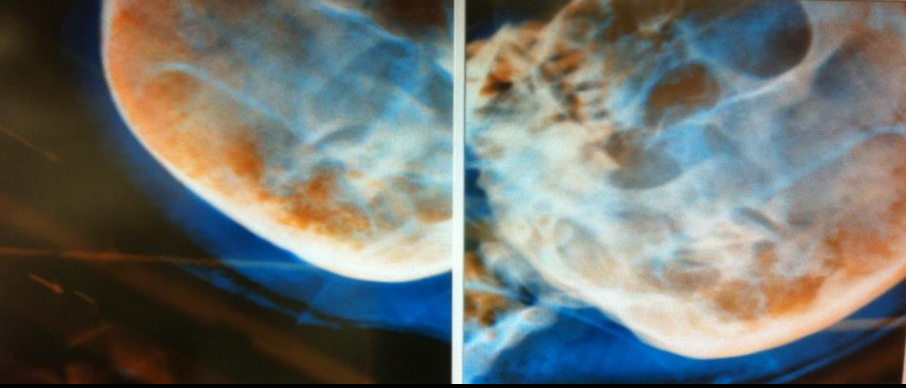


Rt Oblique

Lt Oblique

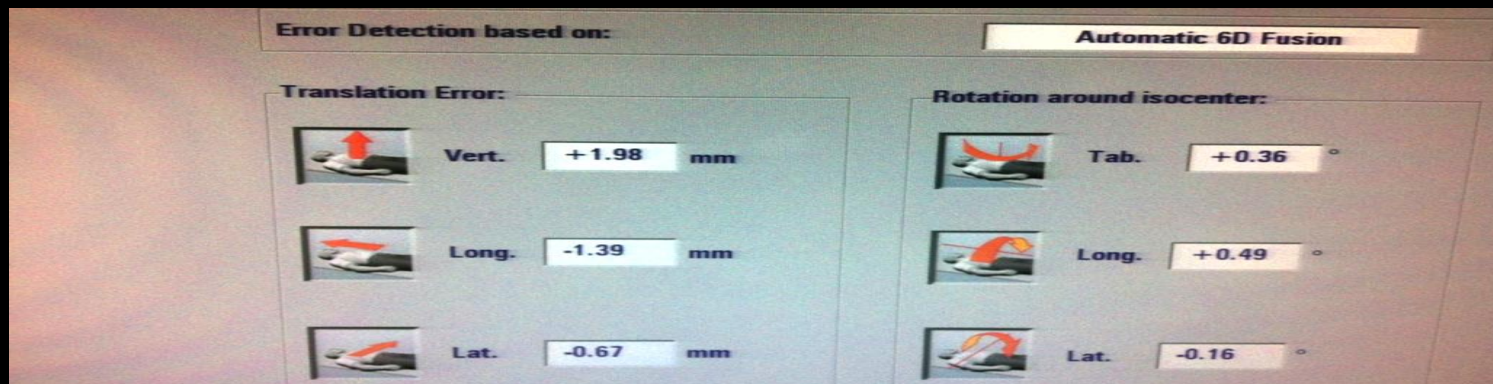
X-rays

DRRs



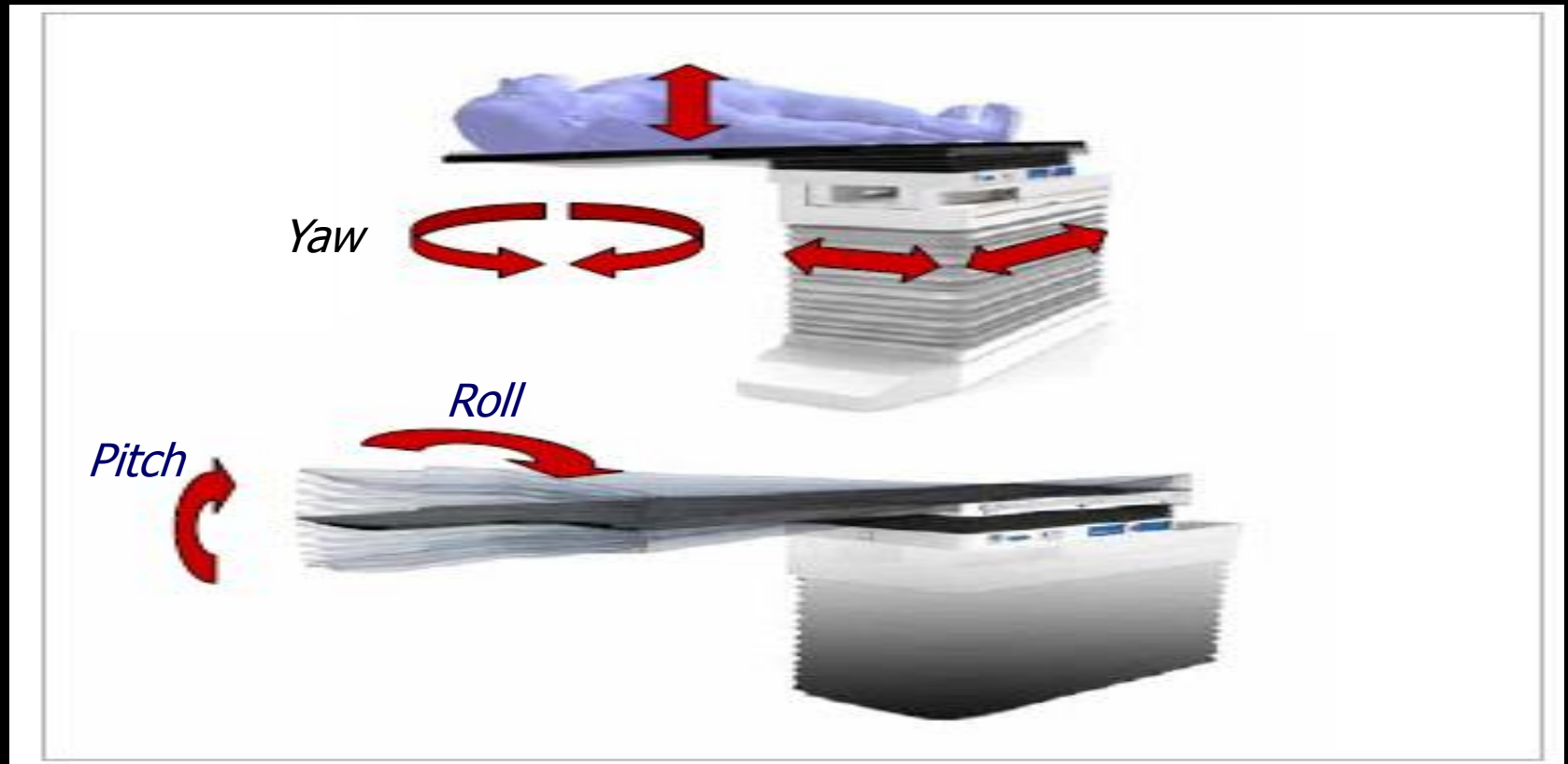
ExacTrac System

- The deviation between the patient's previous and current position is calculated,
- and the patient is automatically re-positioned without having to move
- The whole couch can move with 6° of freedom to attain the correct position.



6D Correction values with ExacTrac

6D Correction with Exactrac



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after correction - Snap Verification

Positioning, Verification, Correction, Snap verification & Treatment delivery



Positioning with mask ✓

Infrared positioning ✓

X Ray Verification with ExacTrac ✓

Correction with 6D Robotic Couch ✓

Snap Verification (at every couch angle)

Beam On

The ExacTrac system setup accuracy is within 0.6mm

On treatment monitoring..

Infra red camera

Continuous monitoring of position for the duration of therapy and, if the patient moves, snap verification! Re-correction!



Current indications...

- **Benign Tumors**

- Vestibular Schwannomas, Meningiomas
- Pituitary Adenomas, Craniopharyngiomas, Pineal tumors

- **Arteriovenous malformations (AVM)**

- **Functional**

- Trigeminal neuralgia.

- **Malignant Tumors**

- Brain Metastasis
- Spine Metastasis
- Lung Primary & metastasis
- Liver Primary & metastasis

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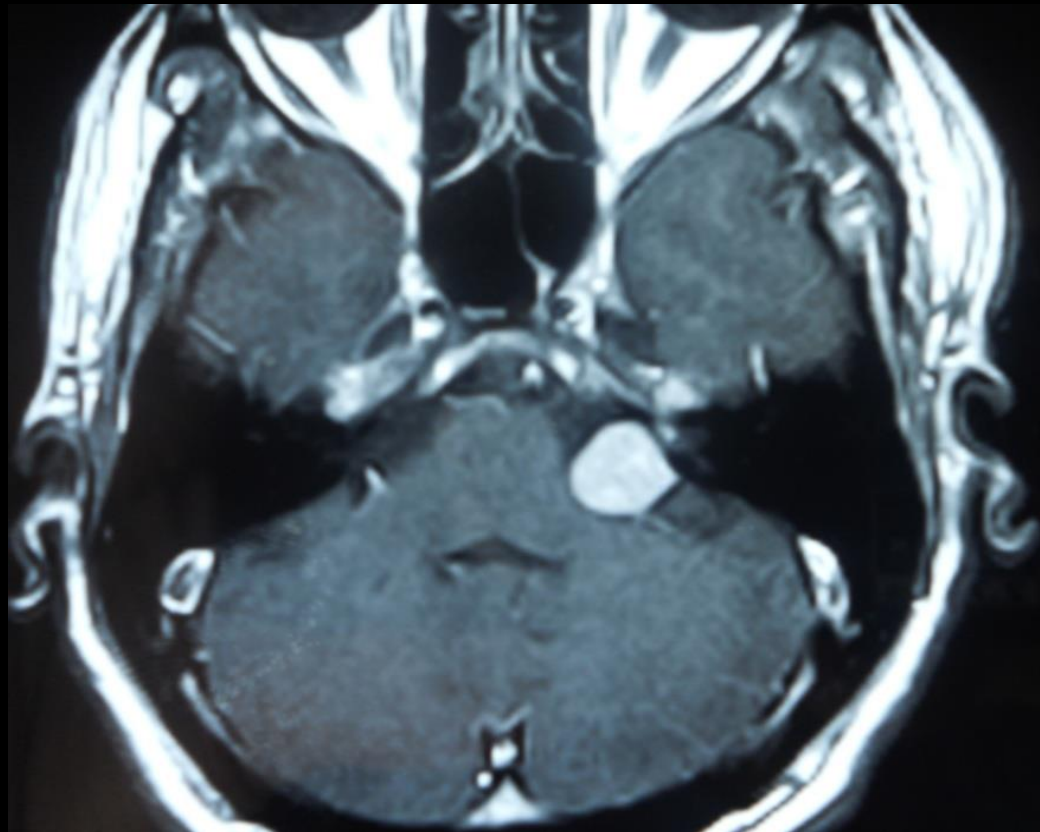
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SRS - Acoustic Neuroma



Acoustic Neuroma

- **Treatment Options**

- Observation,
 - Surgery,
 - Radiotherapy (SRS, fractionated SRT)

- **Local control > 95% following SRS**

- **Doses 12-13Gy using CT-based tx planning**

- 1% incidence of facial nerve dysfunction
 - 4% incidence of trigeminal nerve dysfunction
 - 70% hearing-level preservation

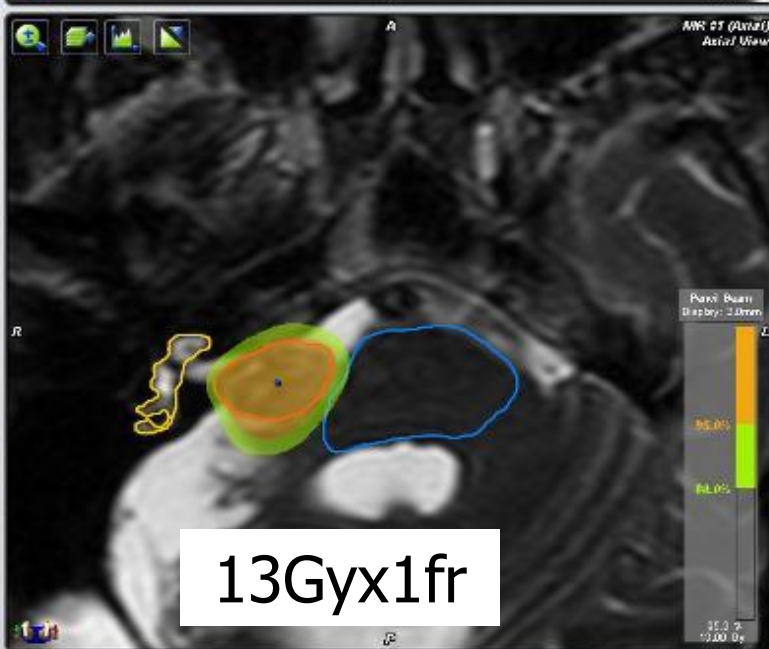
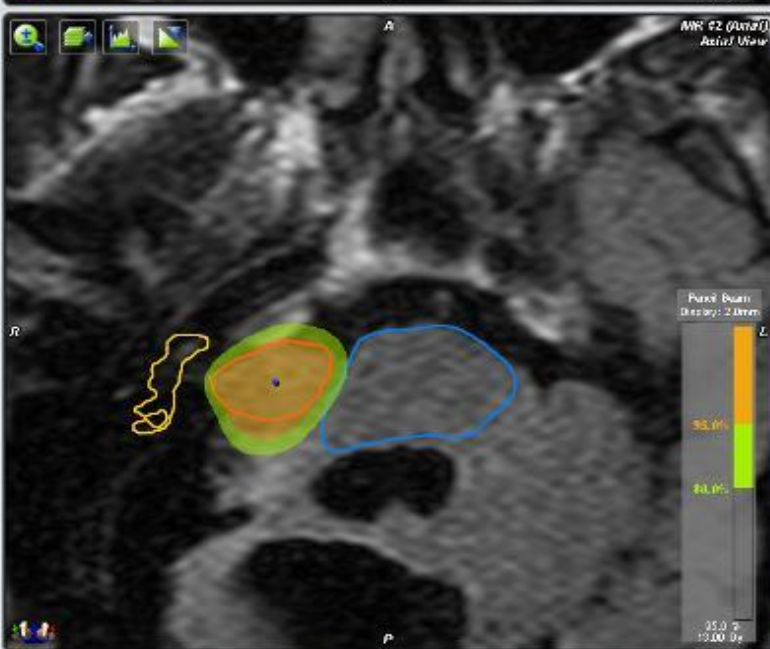
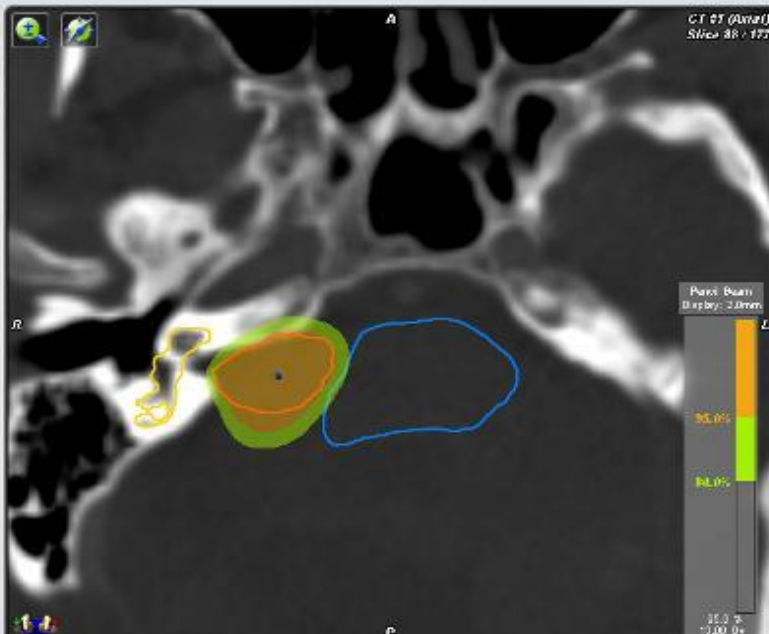
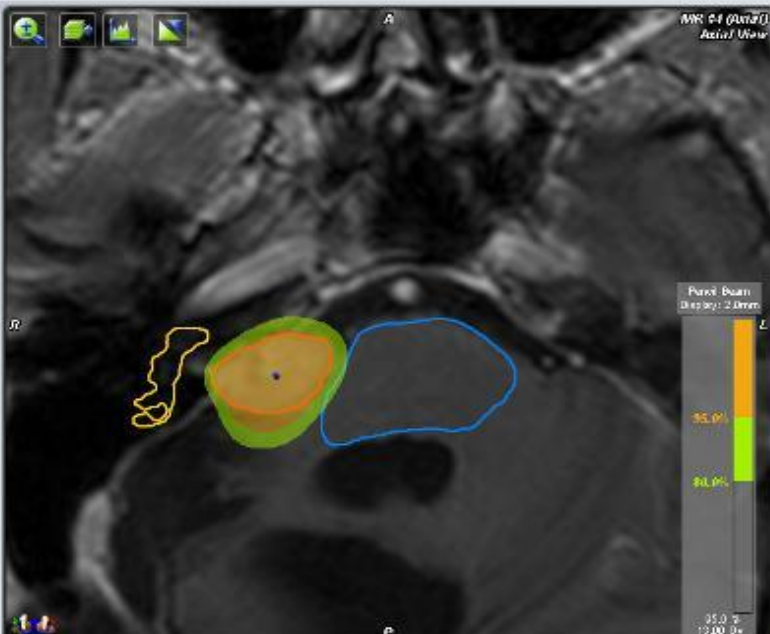
SRS - Schwannomas

Dose Schedule

Single fraction – 12-13 Gy

Cochlear dose should be <4.5Gy (Dmax)

Multi- fraction – 5Gy x 5 fractions



13Gyx1fr

Navigator

FINAL PLAN

Object Creation Treatment Planning

Go to... Next

Object

- Brainstem
- Chiasm
- Choroid
- Cochlea, Right
- Cys, Left
- Cys, Right
- Lens, Left

New... Remove

Auto Segmentation...

Brush Size Contours

Outlining

Brush Eraser

SmartBrush Draw Sphere

SmartSlicer...

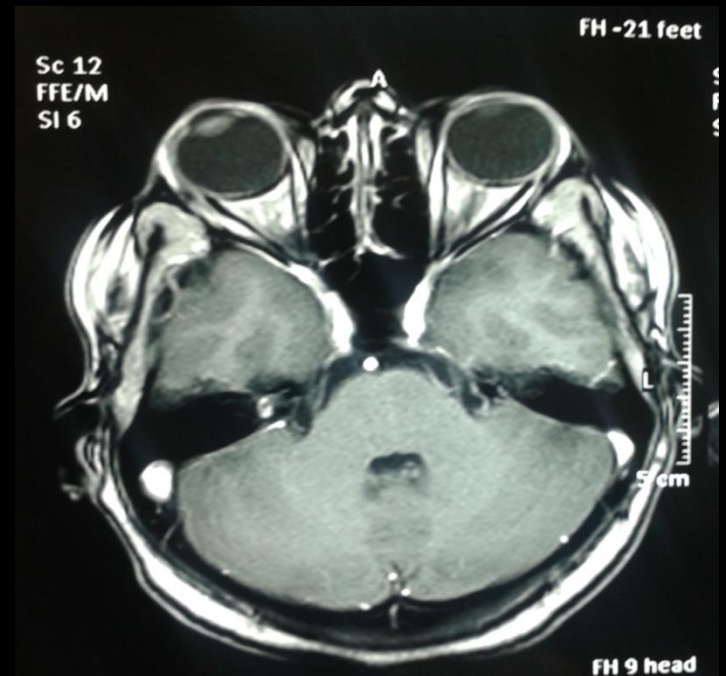
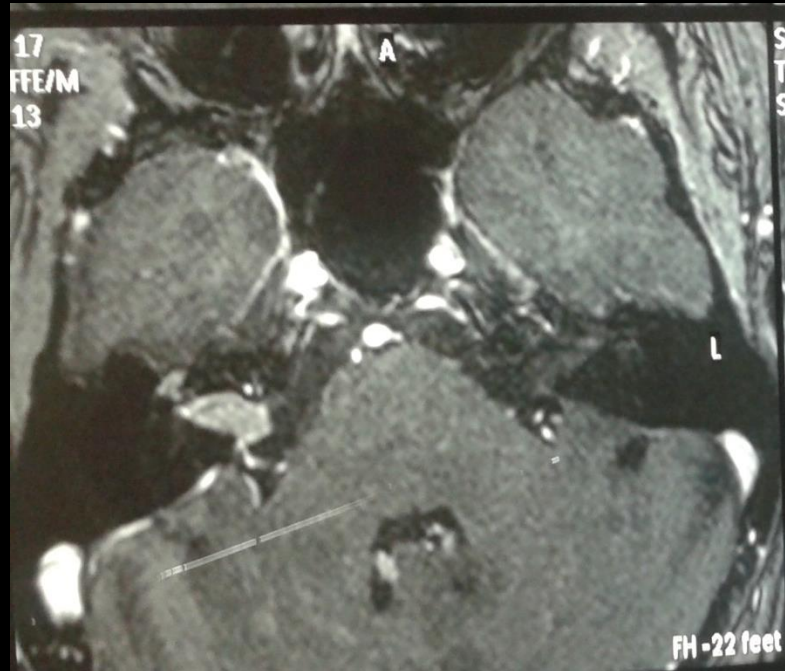
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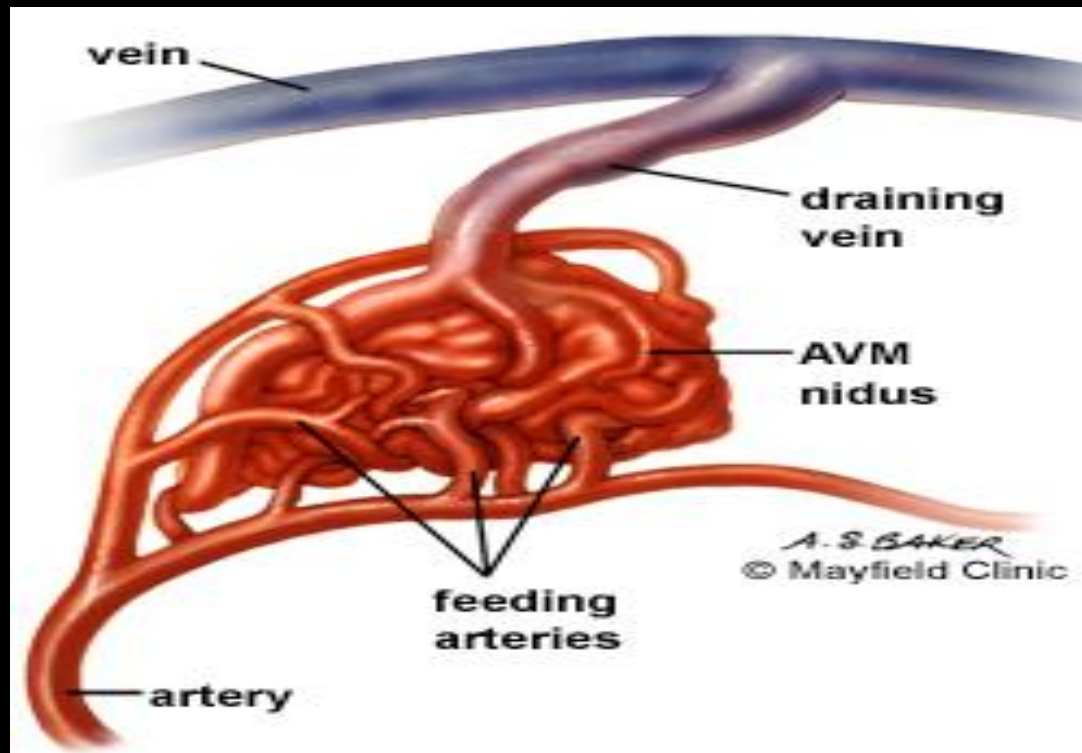
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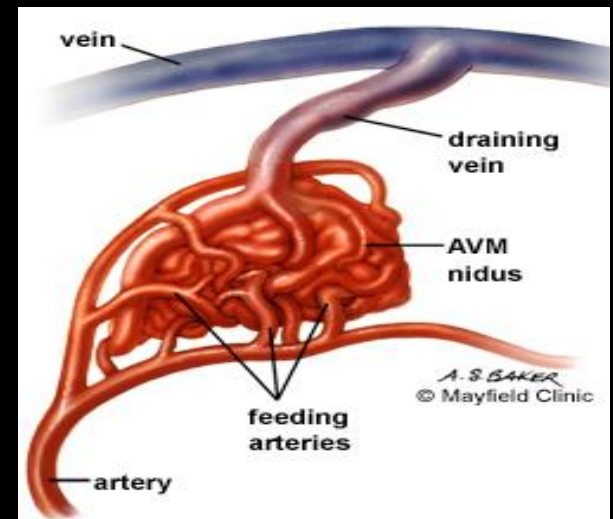
**Complete
Response
one yr post SRS**

SRS - AVMs



SRS for AVMs

- Surgery preferred if can be accomplished safely
- SRS causes Damage to endothelial and sub-endothelial cells leads to proliferation and eventual occlusion
- Obliteration rates 70-80%
- Often takes 1 – 2 years





Potential Side-Effects

Acute (hours)

- Nausea/vomiting
- Seizure
- Fatigue
- Hair loss

Late (months-years)

- **Edema requiring steroids and/or surgery**
- **Brain necrosis**
- **Blindness**
- **Cranial neuropathies**
- **Radiation-associated malignancies**

SRS- Arteriovenous Malformation

Dose

Single fraction – 17 to 24 Gy

12 Gy Volume of normal brain should be < 5-10cc

T2

CT Scan with
contrast

MRI T1 Gado

MRI Angio

Navigator

IMRS FINAL

Object Creation

Verification

Go to... Next

Object

- AVM
- AVM Xray
- AVM_MR+Xray
- Brainstem
- Chiasm
- DLC
- DLC 1

New... Remove

Auto Segmentation...

Brush Size

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Brush Eraser

SmartBrush Draw Sphere

SmartShaper...

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Advanced Manipulation...

4-D Morphing...

Undo Redo

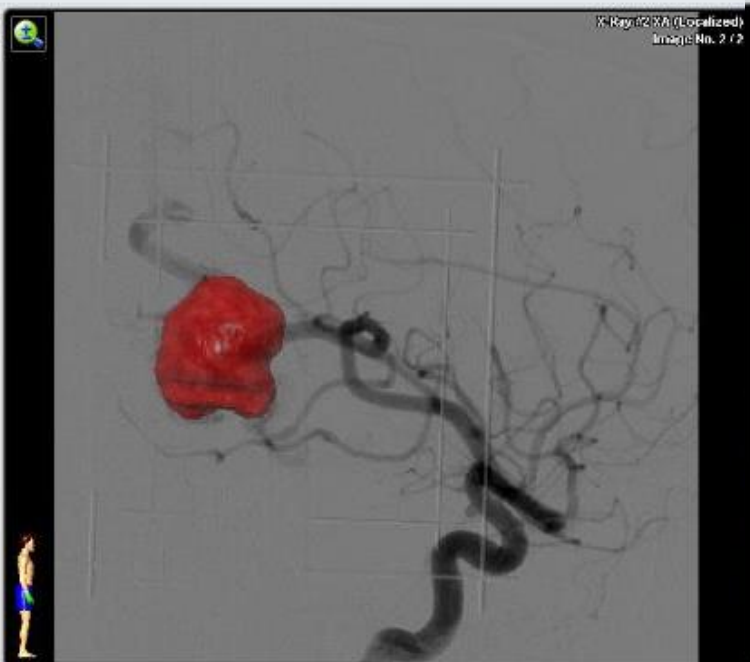
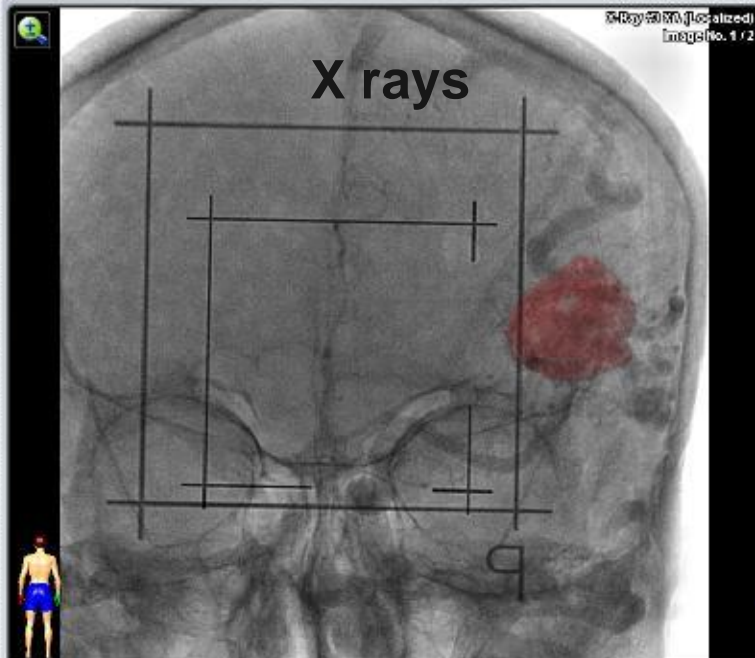
Overview

Slices

Multiple Sets

X-ray Images

Plan Content



Navigator

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- AVM
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- AVM
- AVM_MR+X-ray
- Drainstem
- Chiasm
- Eye, Left

New...

Remove

X-ray Segmentation...

Brush Size

Contours

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Draw Sphere

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☒ Auto Fill

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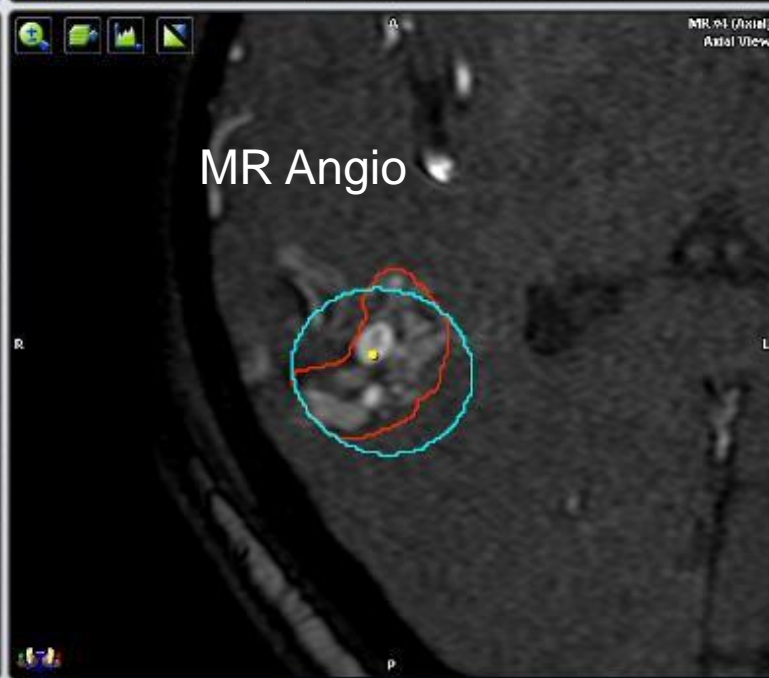
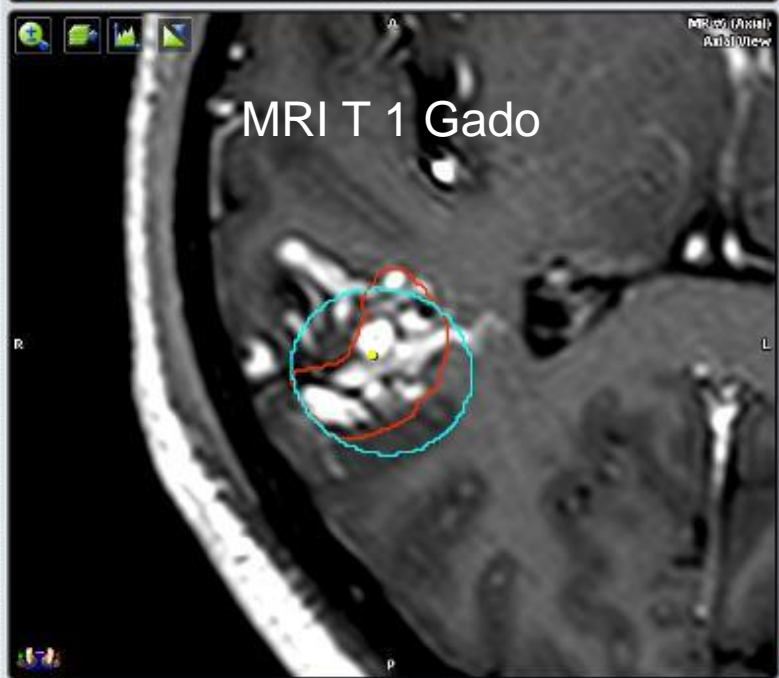
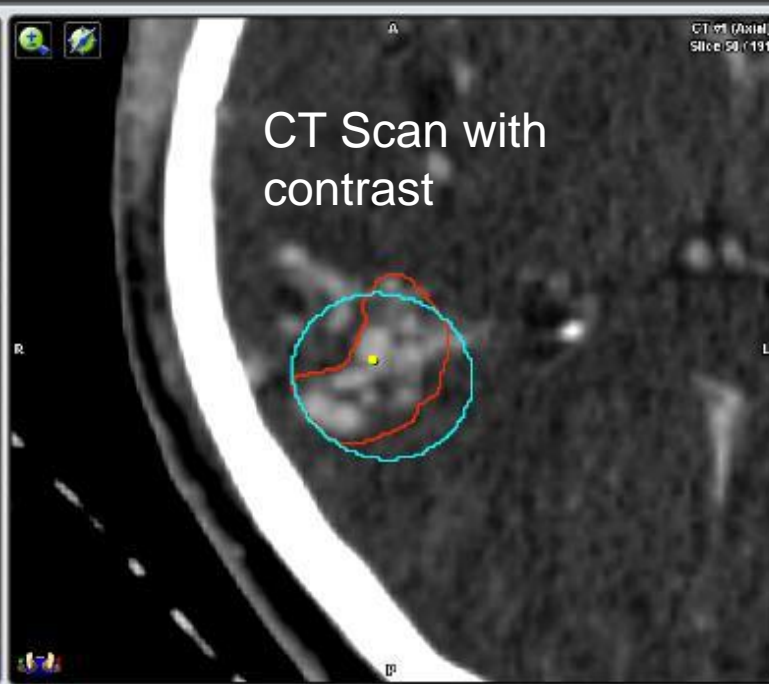
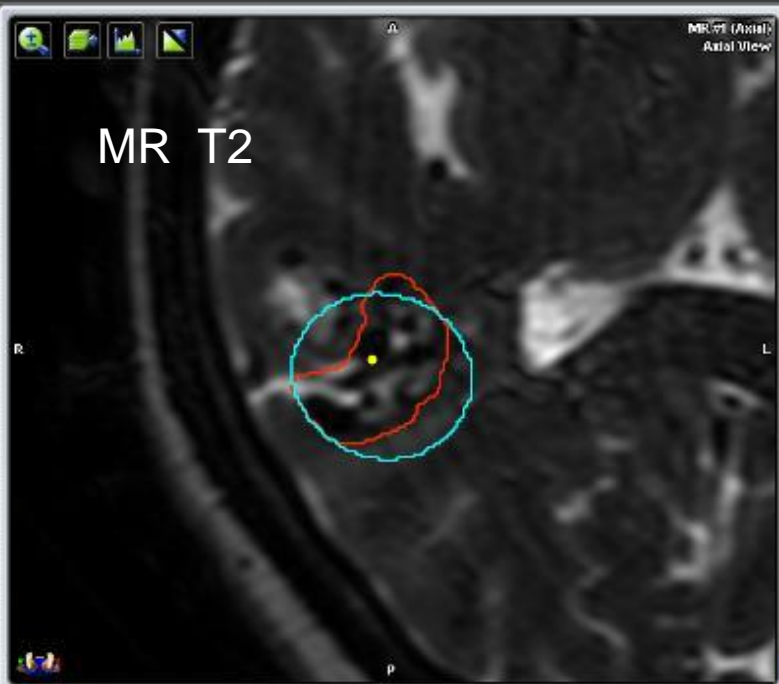
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- ☒ Chiasm
- ☒ DLC
- ☒ DLC 1

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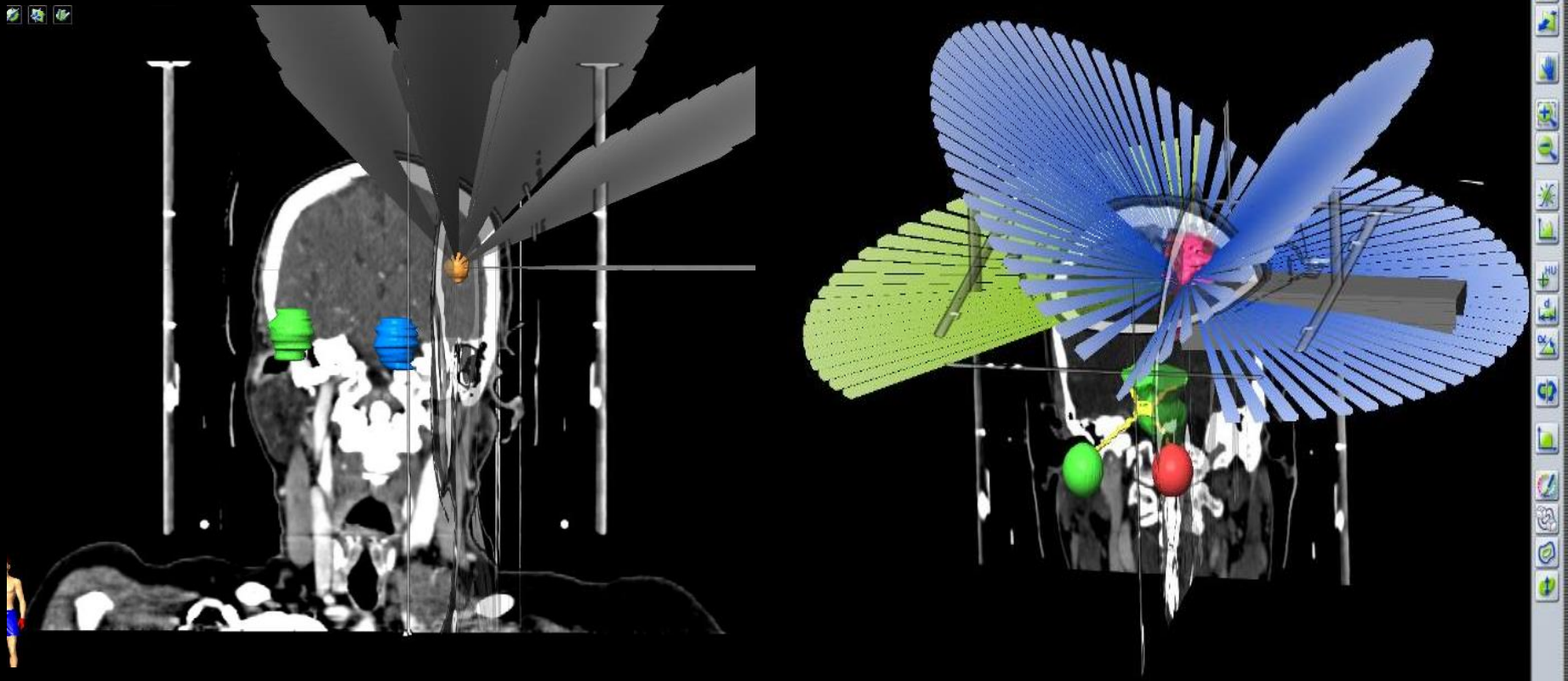
Advanced Manipulation...

4-D Morphing...

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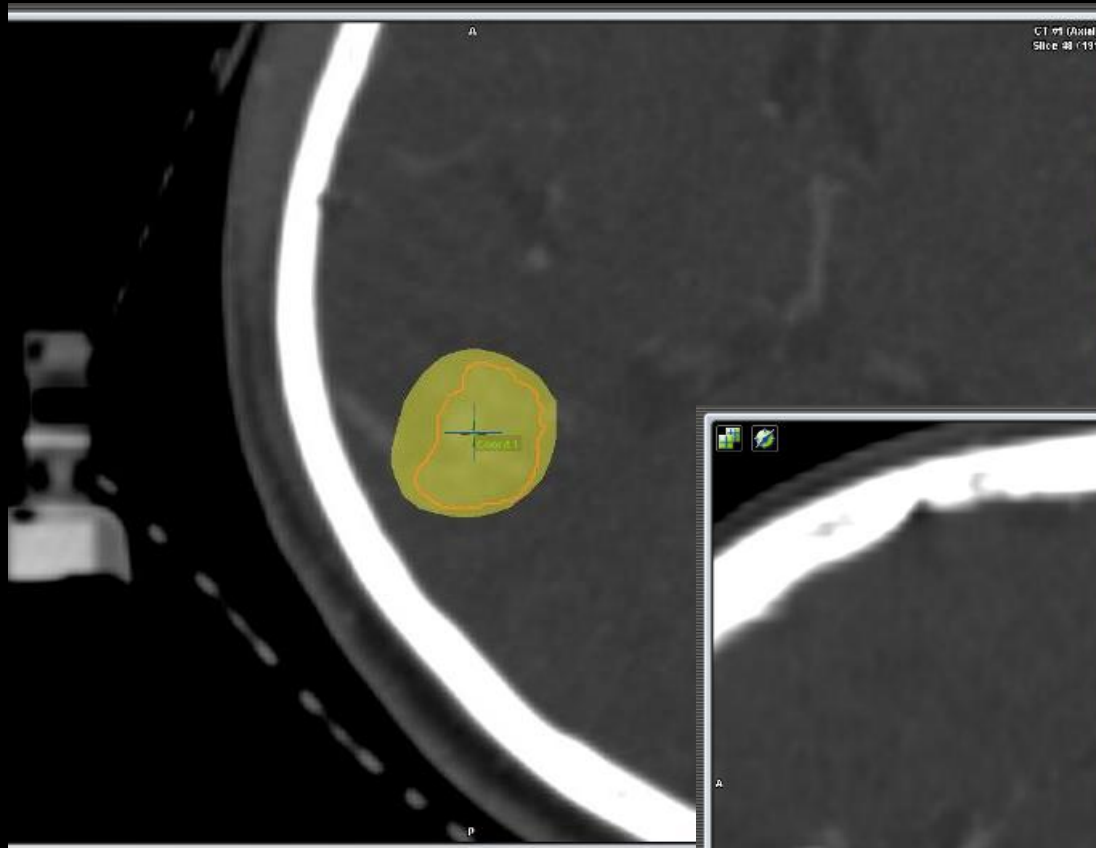
Procedure of Radiosurgery

Computer Planning... *1 plan*

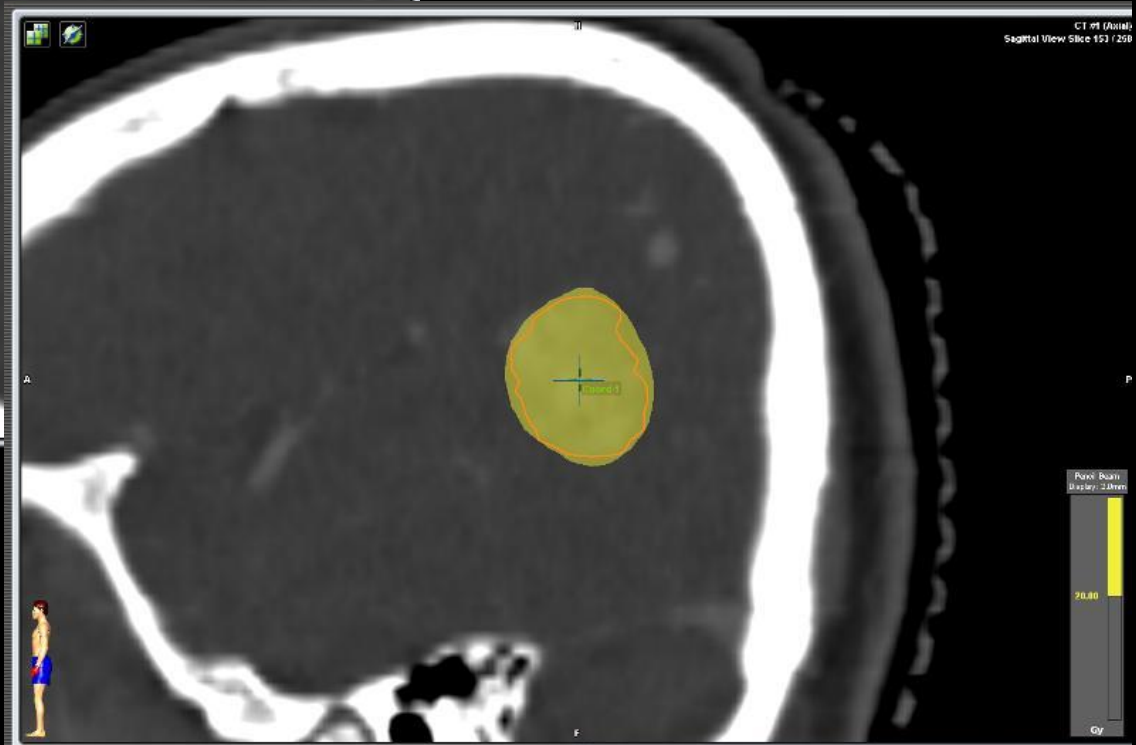


IMRS, Conformal beam, Dynamic Arc, Cone based
Co-planar, Non co-planar, Multiple arcs

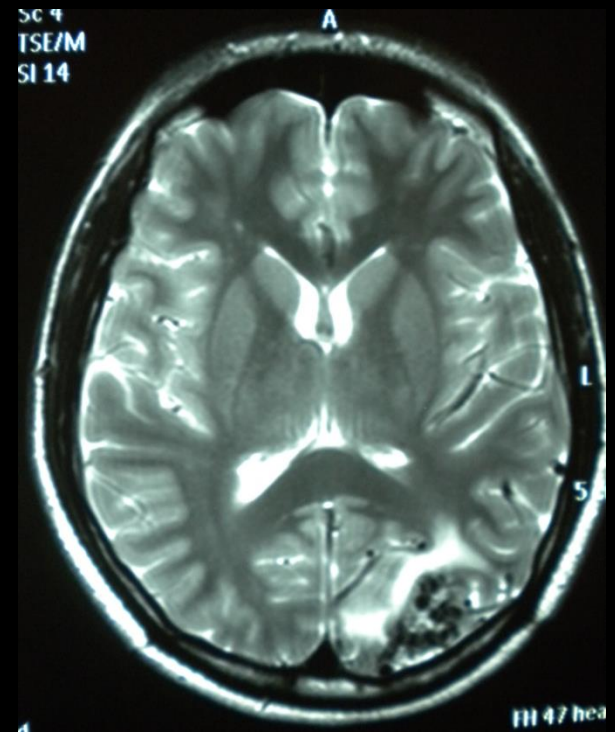
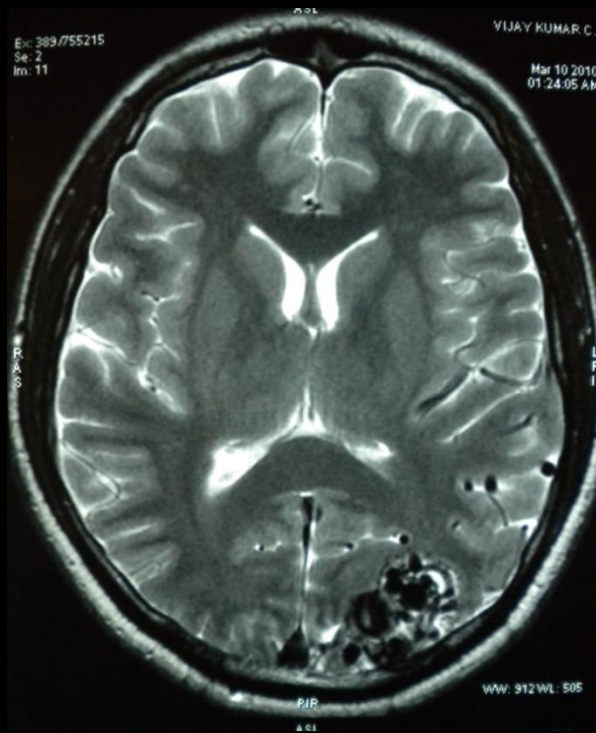
SRS Planning – Dose prescription



18Gy in 1 fraction
at 90% isodose line
covering nidus

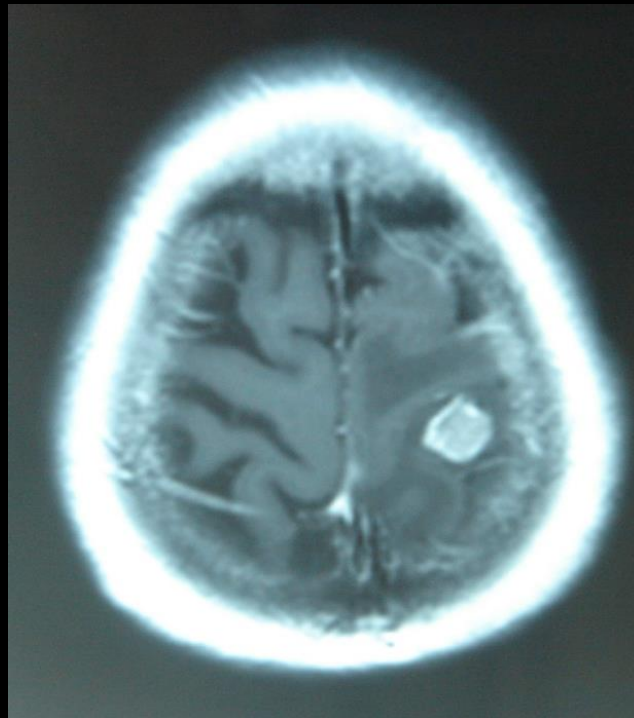


AVM



Six mths post SRS

Radio-surgery in Brain Metastases



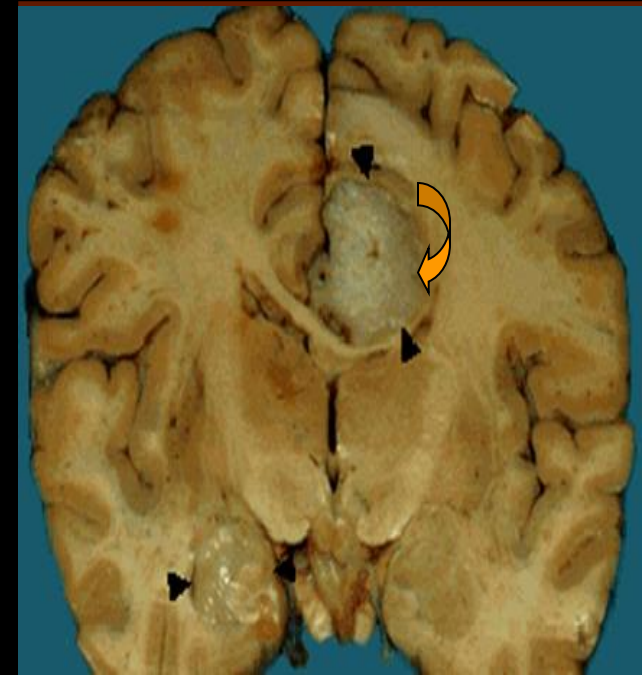
Whole Brain RT

- **Poor survival outcome**
- **Toxicities –**
 - **Acute:** hair loss, vomiting, fatigue, erythema
 - **Late :** progressive dementia, ataxia, impaired neurocognition

Brain Metastases

Ideal Target for Radiosurgery

- Often spherical
- Usually <3cm in diameter
- Radiologically distinct margins
- Displace adjacent brain parenchyma



SRS for Brain Metastases

- 80-90% local control
- Doses range from 15-24 Gy
- Better neurocognitive functions after SRS
- No difference in overall survival

*Kocher M et al, JCO 2011 (epub),
Aoyama H et al, JROSG 99-1. JAMA 2006
Shehata MK, IJROBP 2004; Chidel MA, IJROBP 2000;
Chang E, Lancet Oncol 2009*



SRS - Brain Metastases

Dose Schedule

Single fraction – 16 to 20 Gy

SRS- BM 1

Navigator

TOTAL SRS ARC

Object Creation

Treatment Planning

Go to... Next

Object

- Eye, Left
- Eye, Right
- Outer Contour
- Tumor
- Wall of Tumor

New... Remove

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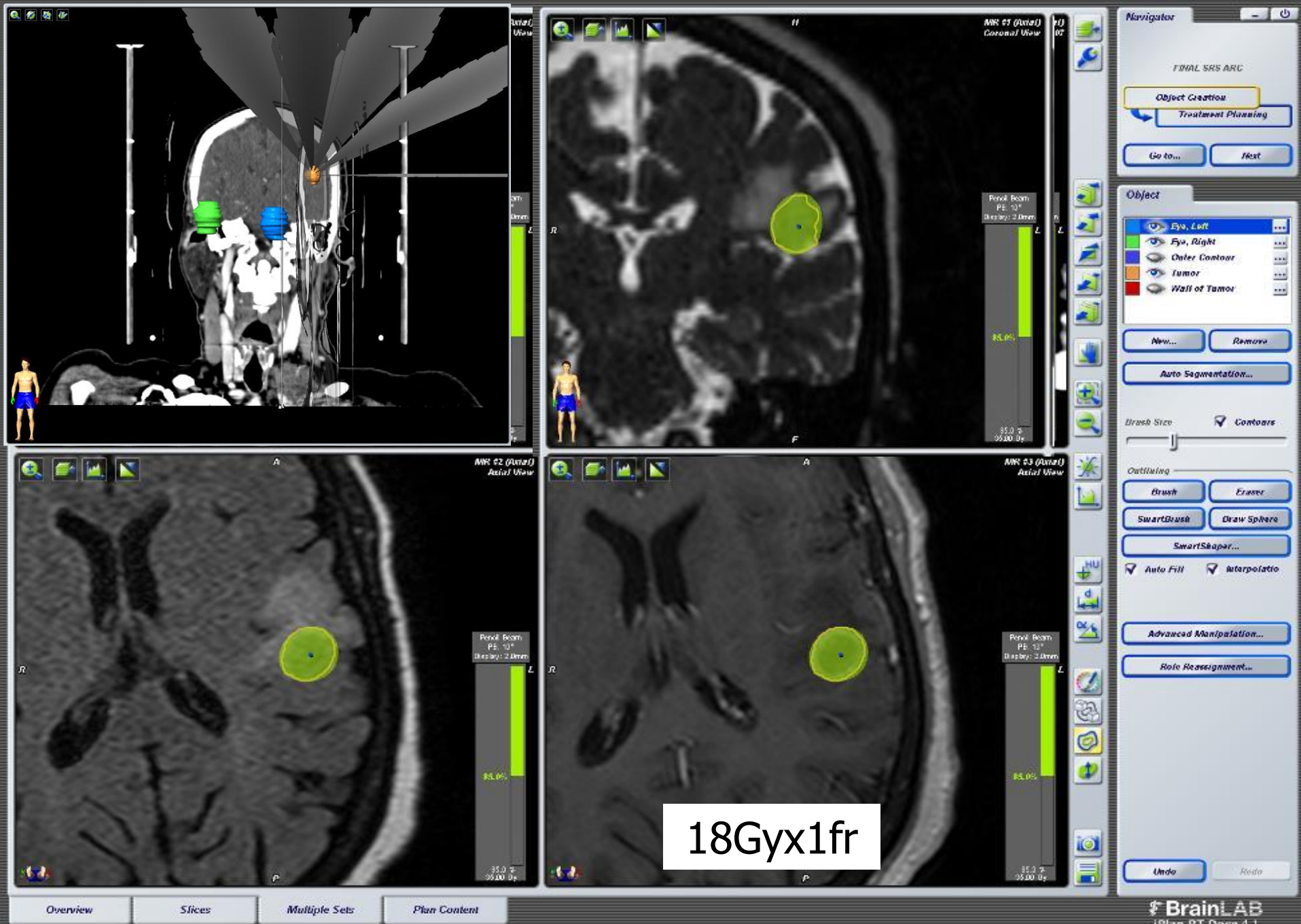
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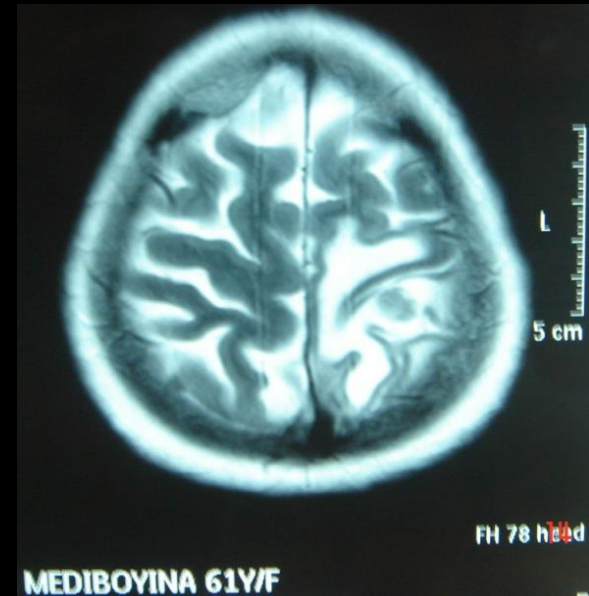
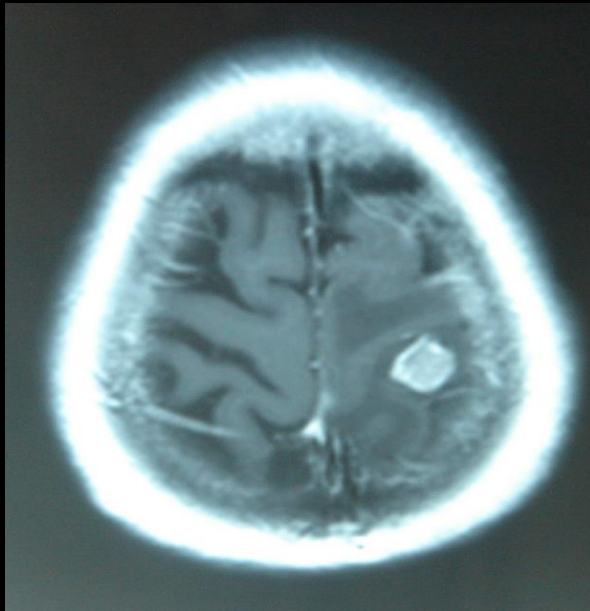
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Role Reassignment...

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Brain Metastases



One year post SRS

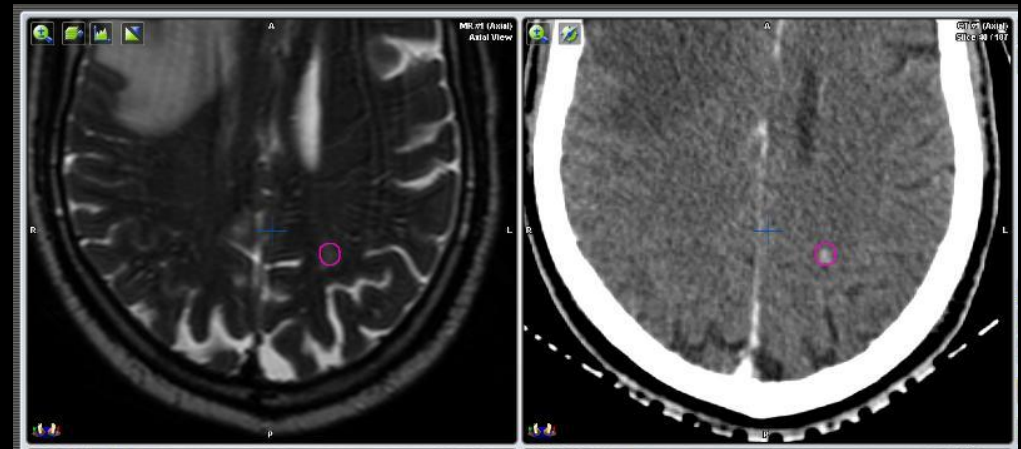
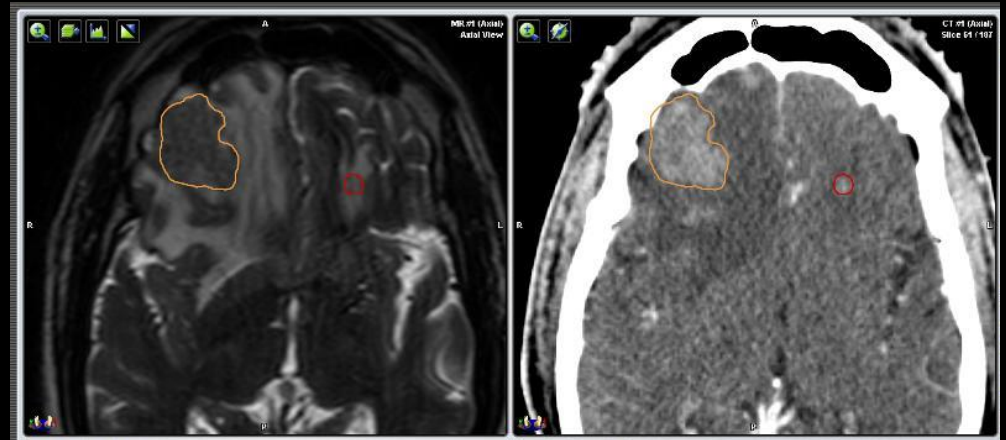
Brain Metastases

53 y, Male

NSCLC with brain and bone mets diagnosed in Aug 2010

Brain – 1 lesion Rt Frontal

2 small lesions in Lt frontal and occipital lobes



Rt Frontal
SRT – 40Gy/10fr

Lt Frontal & Occipital
SRS - 20Gy/1fr

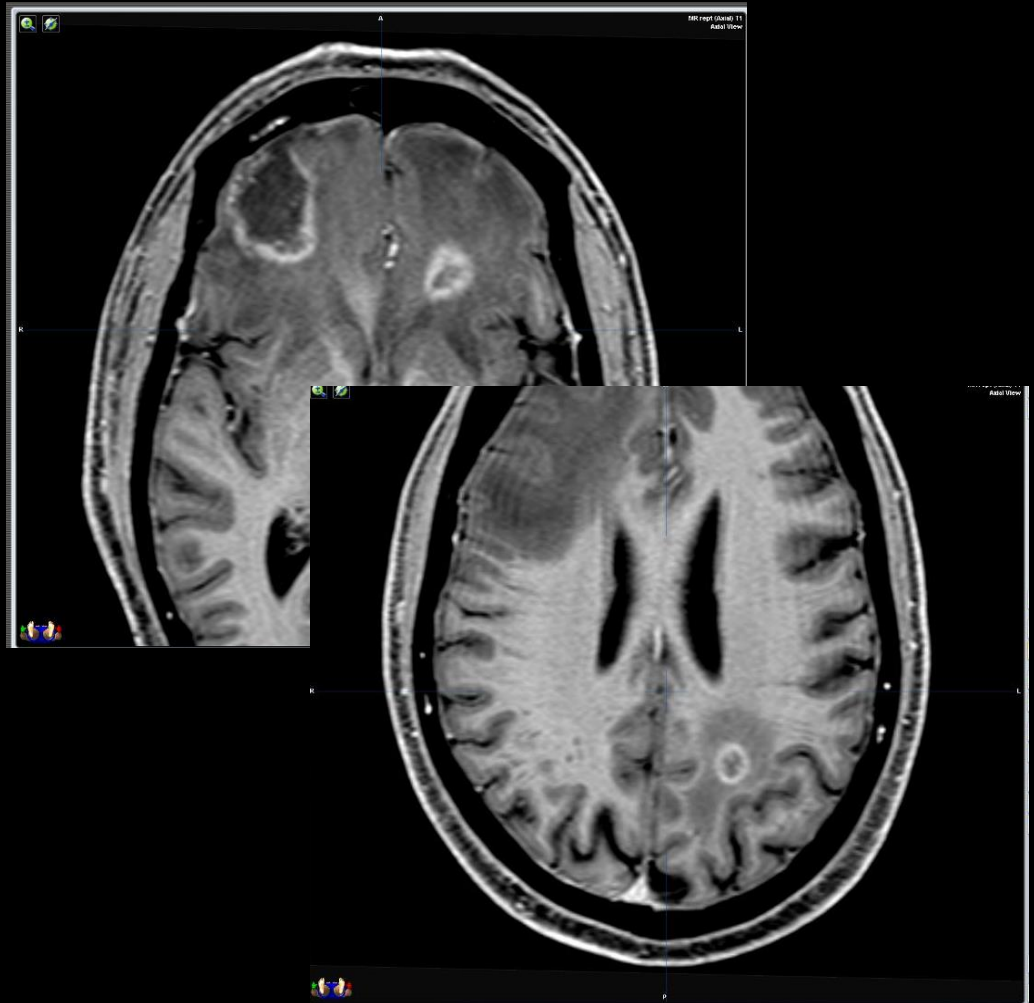


Systemic Rx – Erlotinib

F/u MRI at 1 year

**Rt-Frontal lesion –
Necrosis on Sx**

**Lt Frontal and Occipital
lesions –
Pseudoprogression,
stable on f/u**



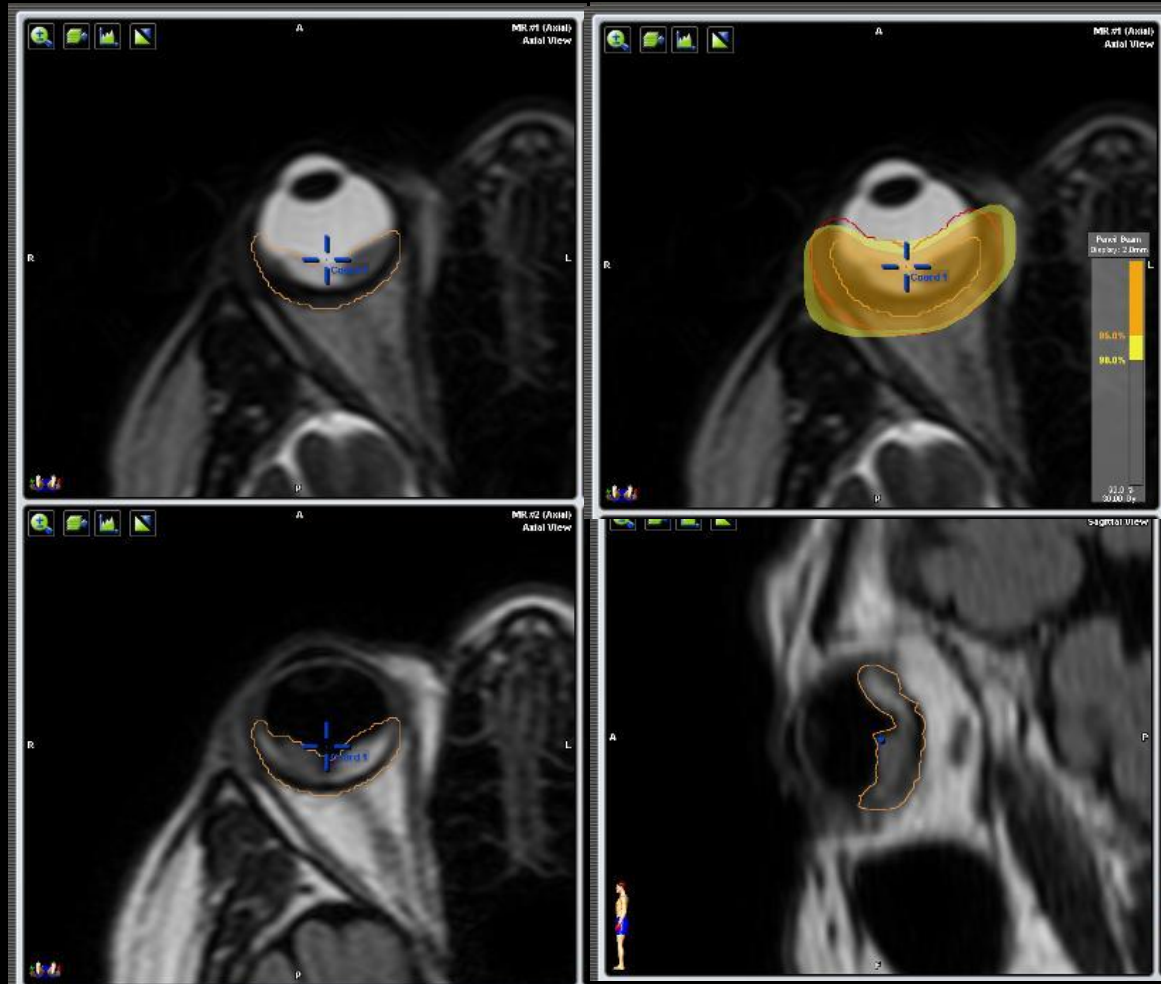
Choroidal Mets

56 Yr, Female

2006 – MBC
(Bone Mets) on
HT

2011, Sep –
Choroidal Mets
RE

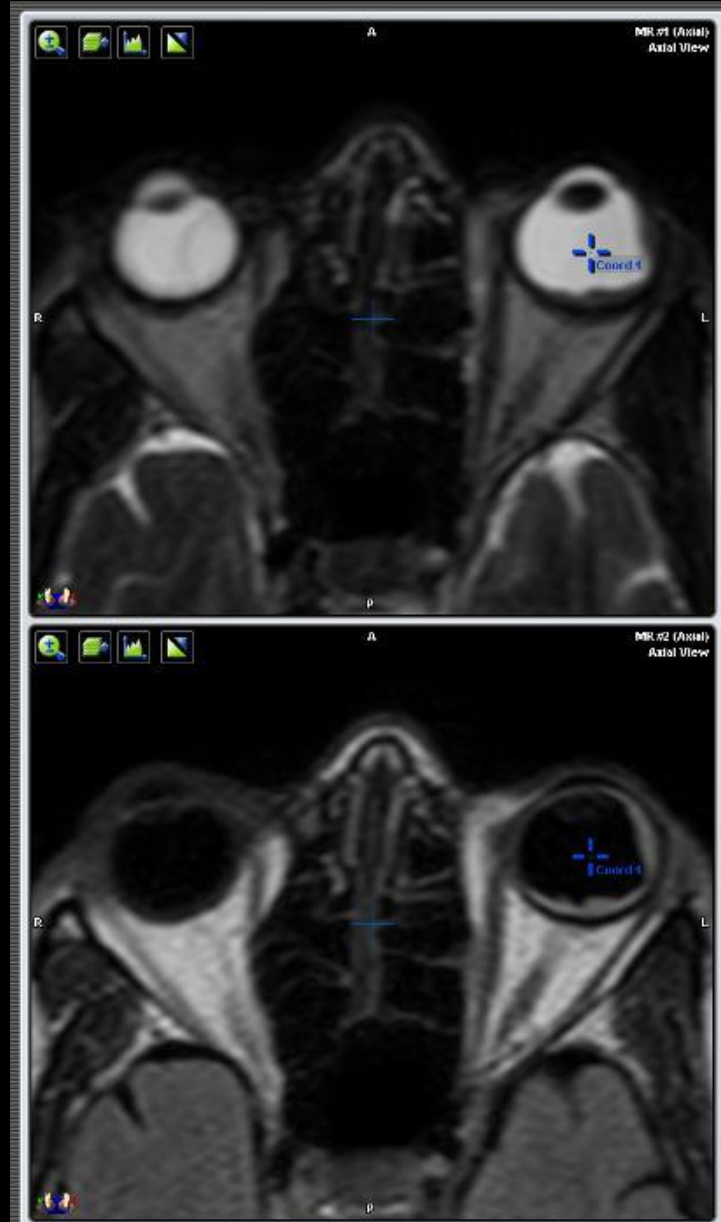
SRS – 30Gy/5fr

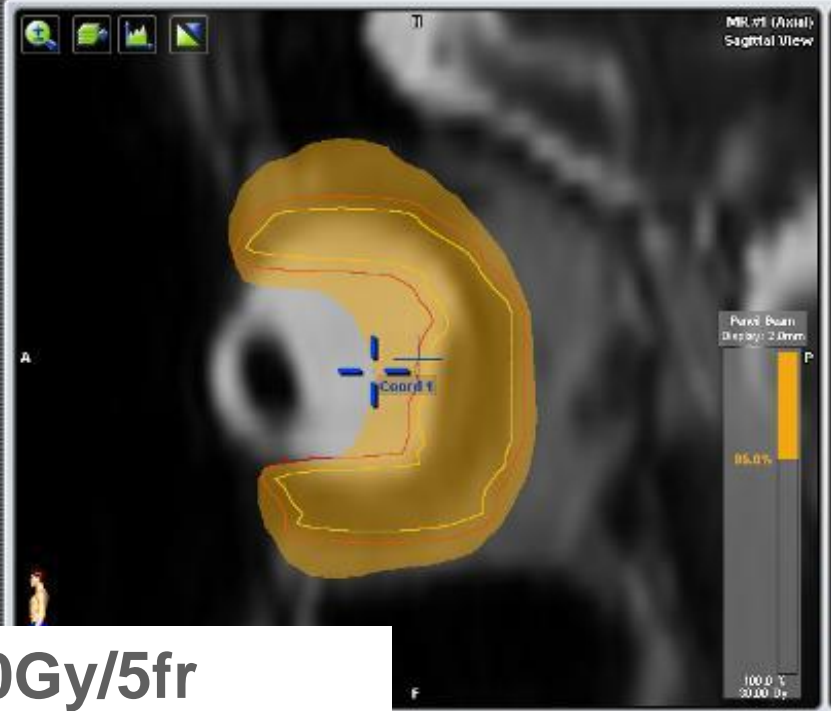
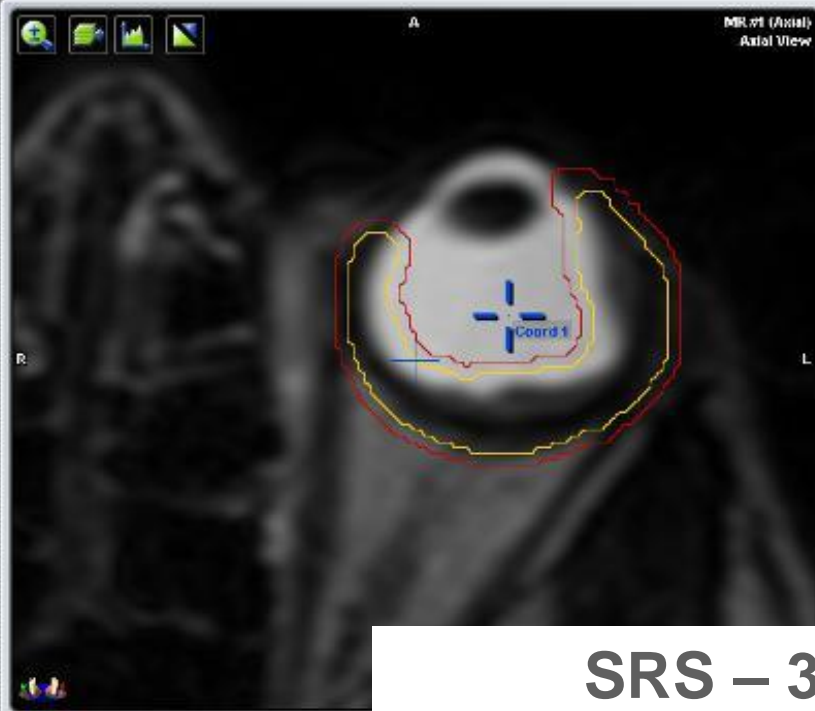


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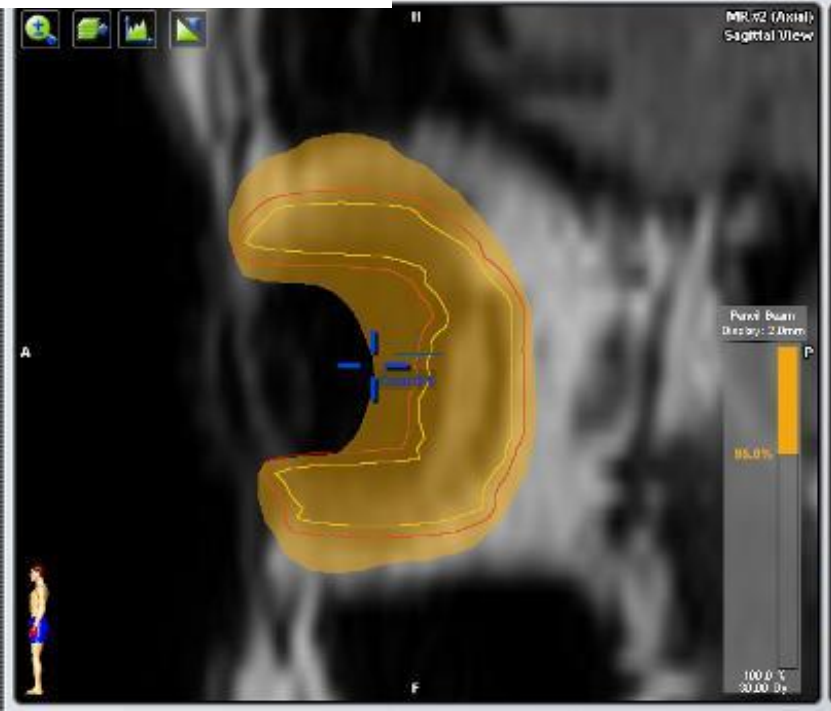
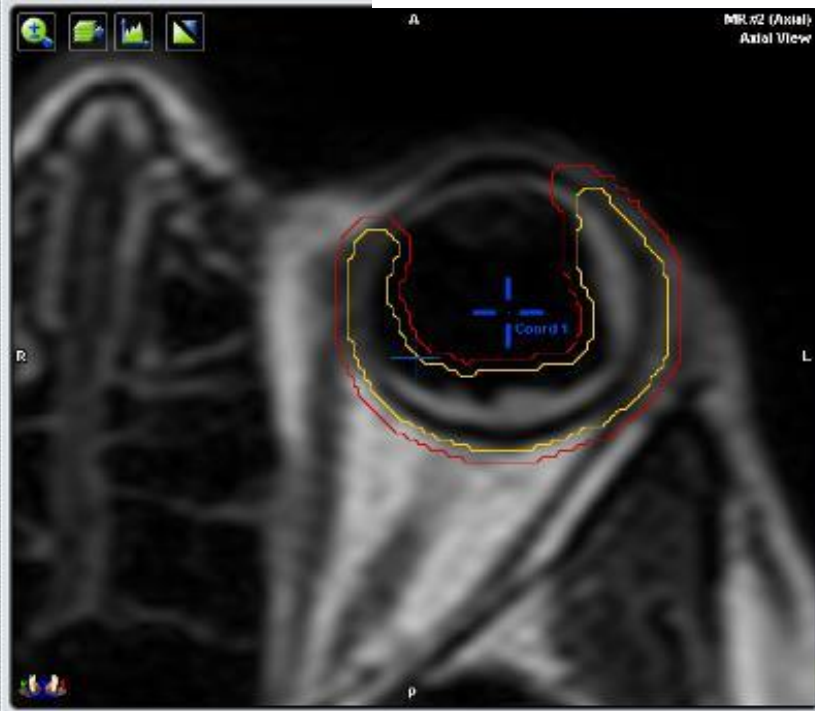
Choroidal Mets LE

**Complete
regression of Mets
in RE with
improvement of
vision**

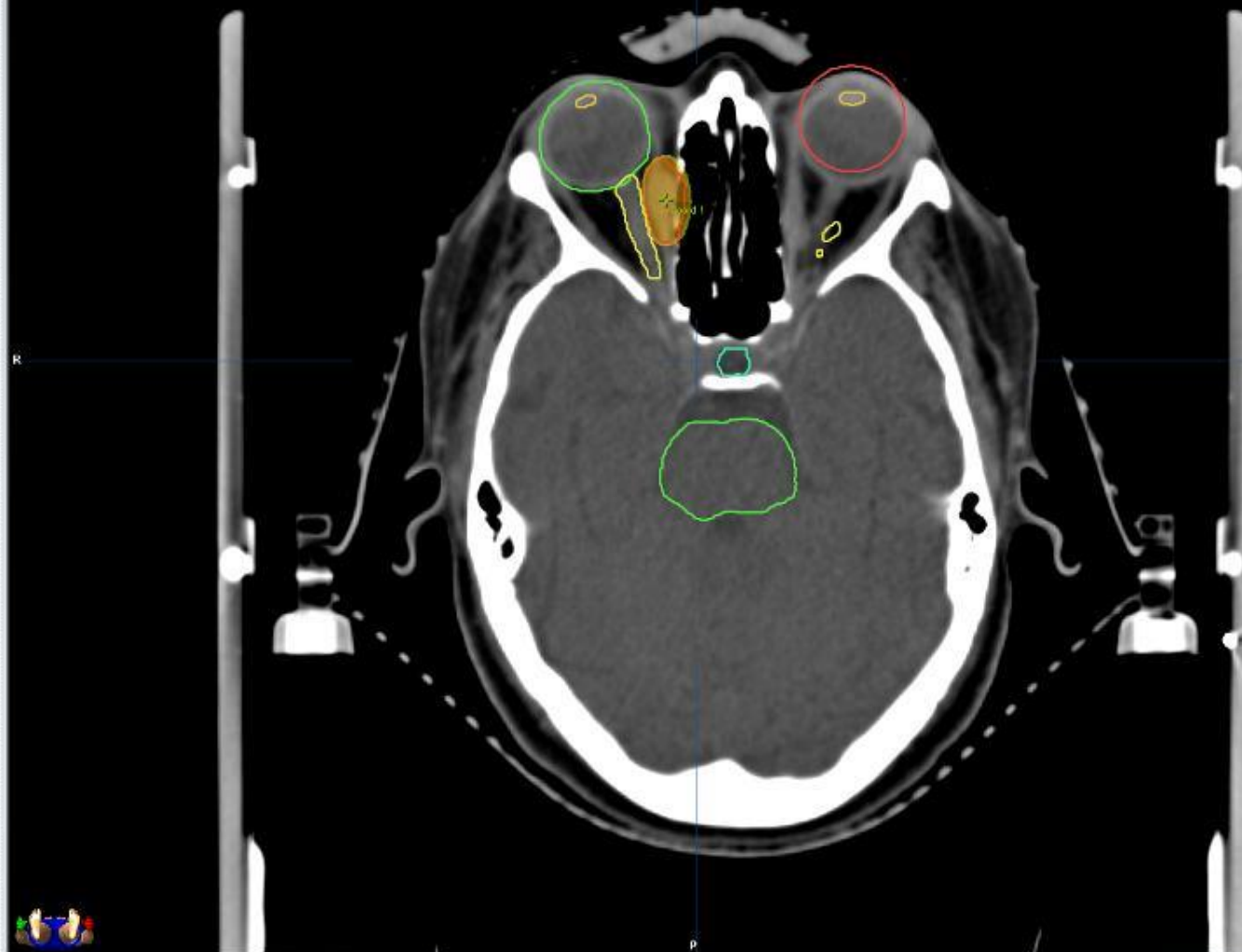




SRS – 30Gy/5fr



Mets Medial Rectus



CT of (Axial)
Axial View

Navigator

SRT FINAL

Treatment Planning

Physician's Review

Go to...

Next

Functions

Prescription

The RTPlan

Group 1

- IMRT Beam 1
- IMRT Beam 2
- IMRT Beam 3
- IMRT Beam 4
- IMRT Beam 5
- IMRT Beam 6

Refresh MU

Treatment Group

Position

Find

Properties

Delete

Coord 4:

A-P 68.6 mm

Lateral 98.5 mm

Vertical 98.2 mm

Weighting: 100.0 %

Beams / Arcs

Add

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Overview

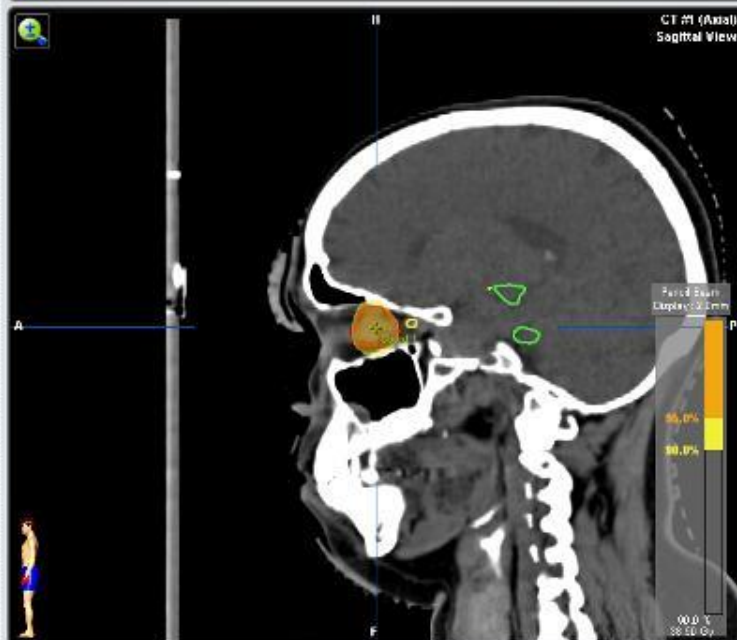
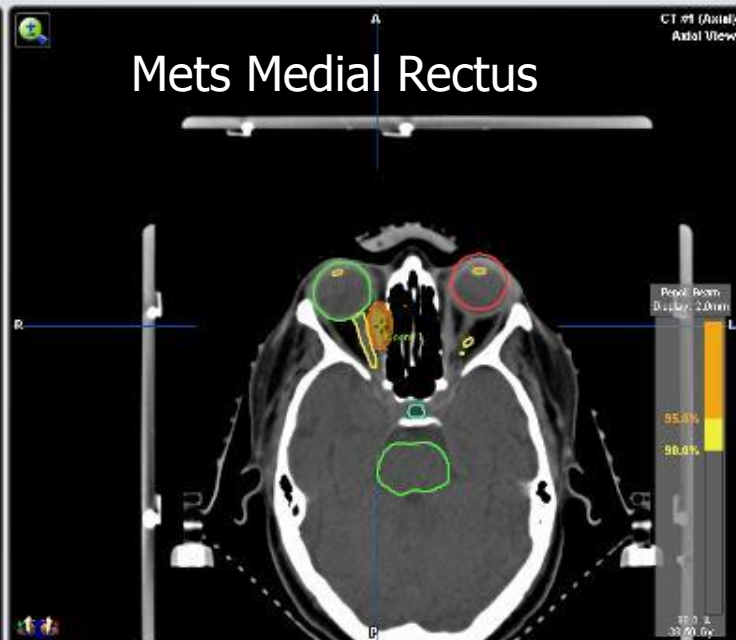
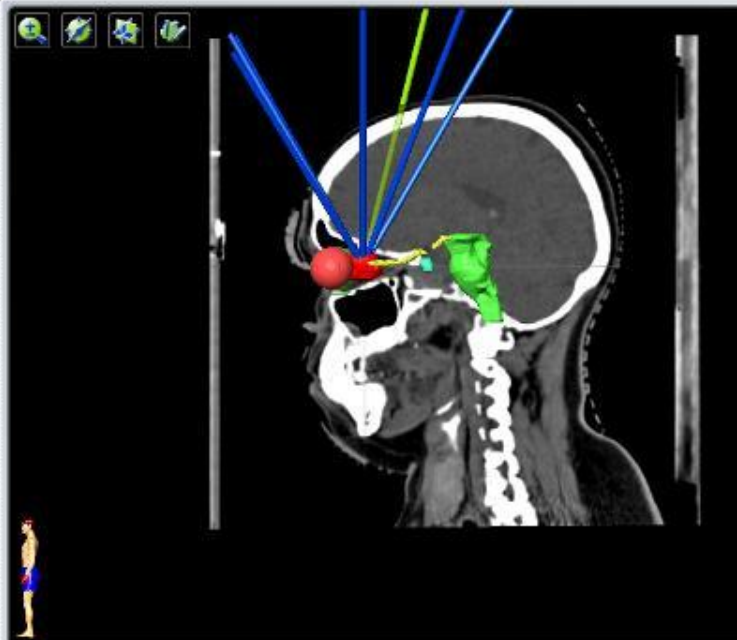
Slices

Irradiation Plan

Plan Content

BrainLAB
iPlan RT Dose 4.1

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Radiosurgery in Spine tumors



Indications

- **Metastases:**
 - Bone, Soft tissue

- **Primary bone tumors**
 - Osteoclastoma
 - AVMs
 - Hemangiomas

Spine Metastases

Indications

- ☐ Pain
- ☐ Impending Fracture
- ☐ Neurological compromise

Pain Relief

Rationale for SRS:

- More efficient 95% vs 65%
- Longer duration 14mo vs 5 mo
- More rapid onset 3days vs 2wks
- Re-treatments 30% vs 10%



Pain Relief

Conventional vs. SRS

	Conventional RT (8 Gy)	SRS (10-25 Gy)
Pain Relief	55-70%	95%
Duration	2.5-5 months	13 months
Onset	3 weeks	14 days
Retreatment	25–30%	0-15%

SRS - Spine Metastases

Dose Schedule

Single fraction – 16-20Gy

Spinal Cord dose limit – 10%Vol < 10Gy

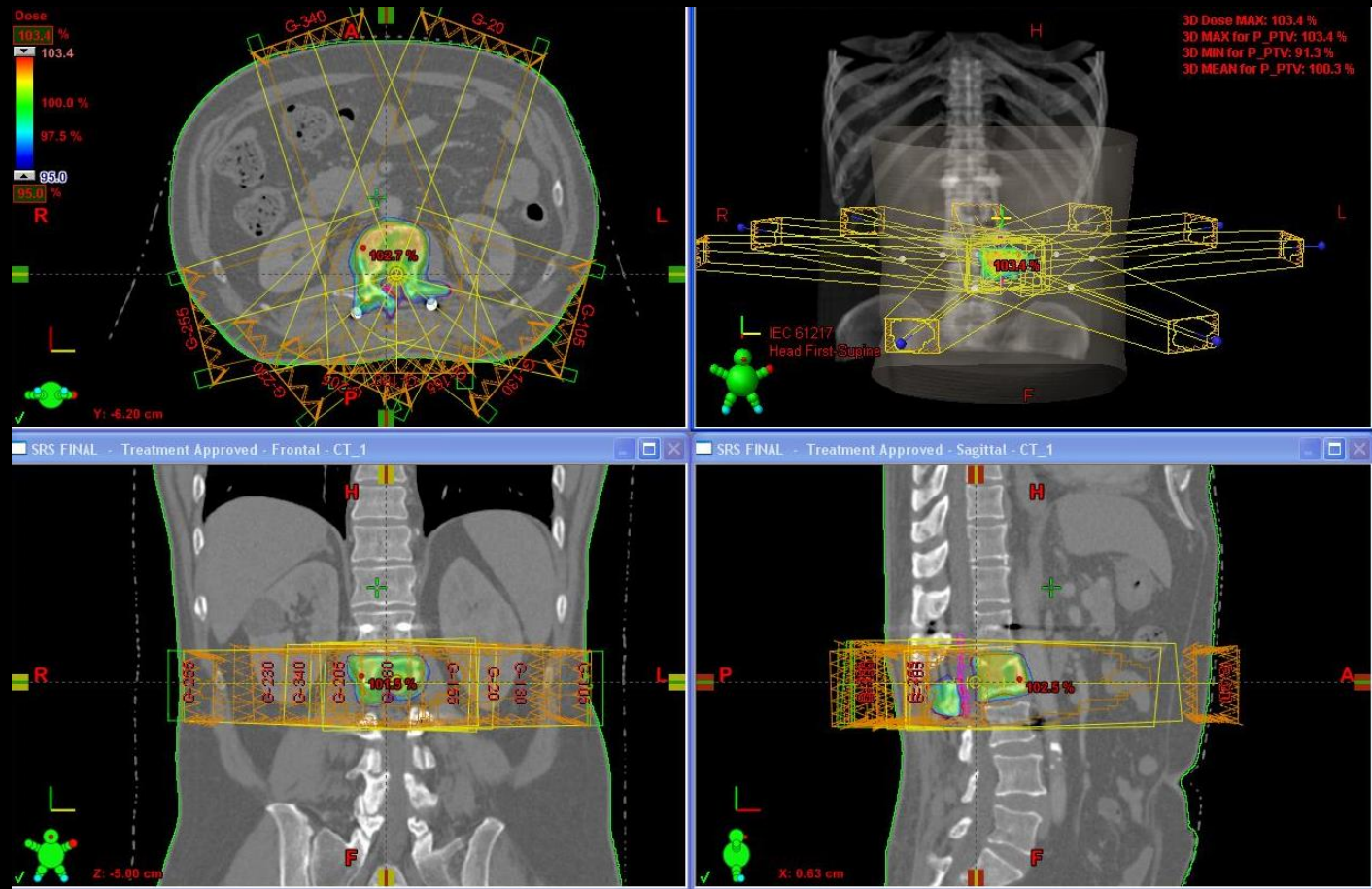
Dmax – 12-14Gy

Multi- fraction – 6Gy x 5 fr

7Gy x 4 fr

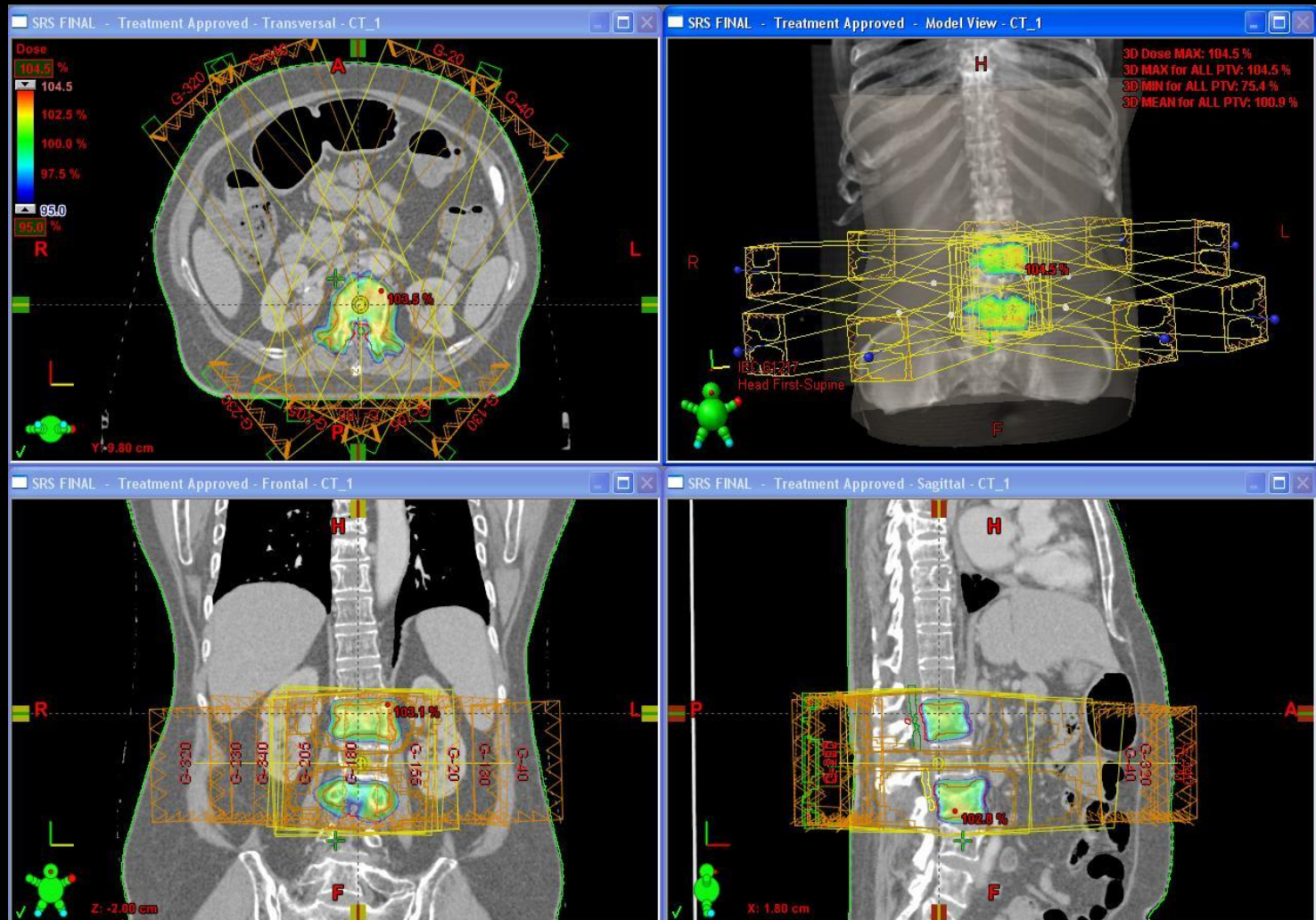
8Gy x 3 fr

Spine Metastases



**L2 Spine SRS, 6Gyx5frs
8 beams, sparing cauda**

Spine Metastases

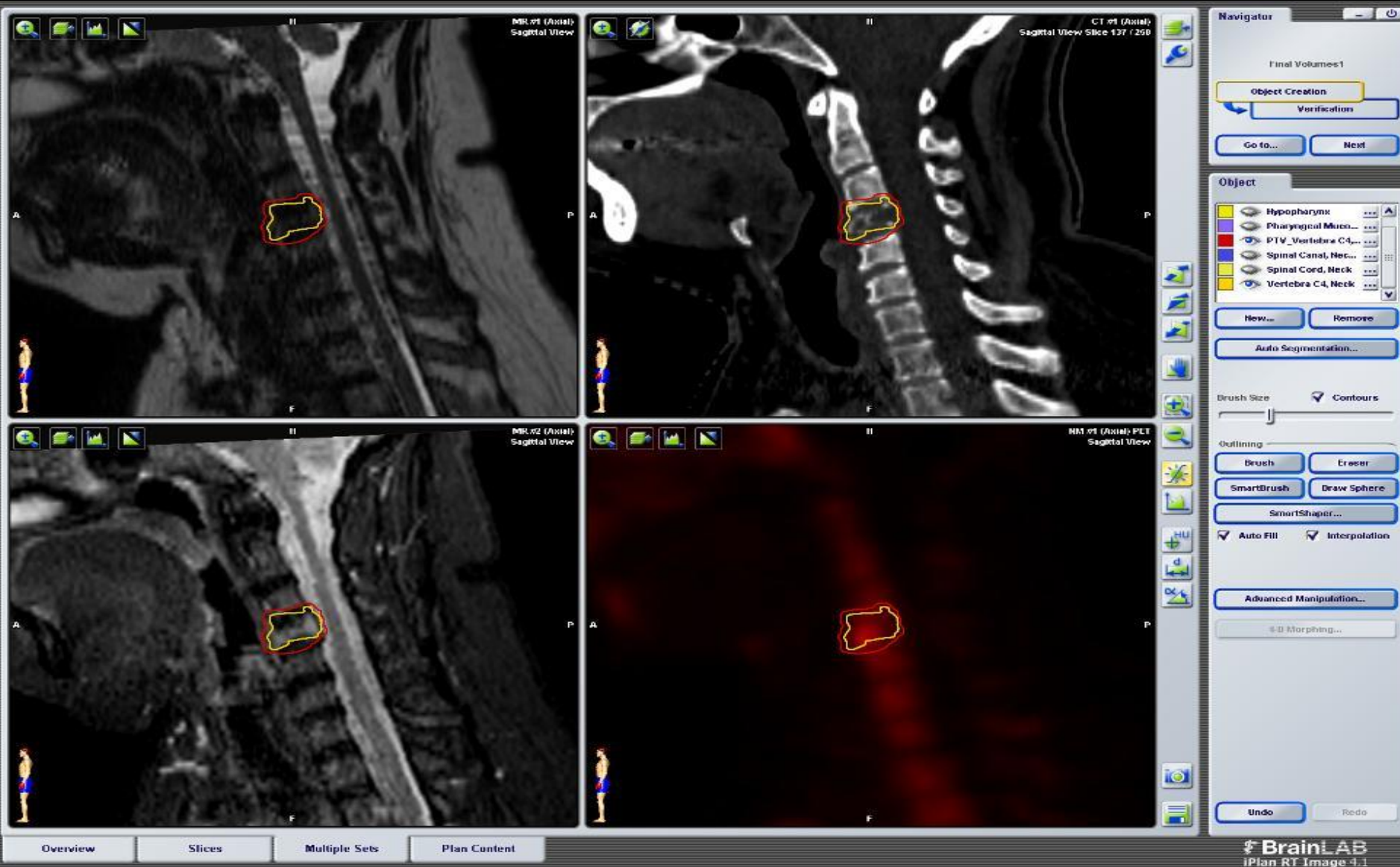


Spine Metastases



**High Dose Envelope around PTV
Conformal Avoidance of OARs**

47/F Ca Breast, C4 Mets





47/F Ca Breast, C4 Mets





Summary

- **Excellent treatment approach for a number of tumors**
- **Non invasive**
- **Single treatment requiring a short hospital stay**
- **Few if any side effects**
- **Patient Selection and Expertise**