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Introduccion

Radioterapia ha empezado a sofisticarse aceleradamanete en la ultima decada , con el advenimiento y creciente rol de (IMRT), RT guiada por imagenes (IGRT), RT estereotactica ablativa (SABR), Radiocirugia (SRS), **RT Intraoperatoria**, 4D RT adaptativa, protones y **braquiterapia3D**. RT esta en continuo y acelerado desarrollo. La investigacion esta encontrando vias de refinamiento de nuevas tecnicas, combinaciones y reformulacion de aspectos radiobiologicos que afectaran la practica en esta decada pudiendo mejorar los resultados.

Objetivos

- Reconocer los alcances y limitaciones de la braquiterapia basada en puntos para el cáncer ginecológico, paso 2D a 3D.
- Revisar las ventajas de la BATD 3D en cáncer de cérvix.
- Revisar los resultado obtenidos con IGABT en cáncer de cérvix.

Brachytherapy in GYN cancer in USA

Decrease of Cancer specific survival

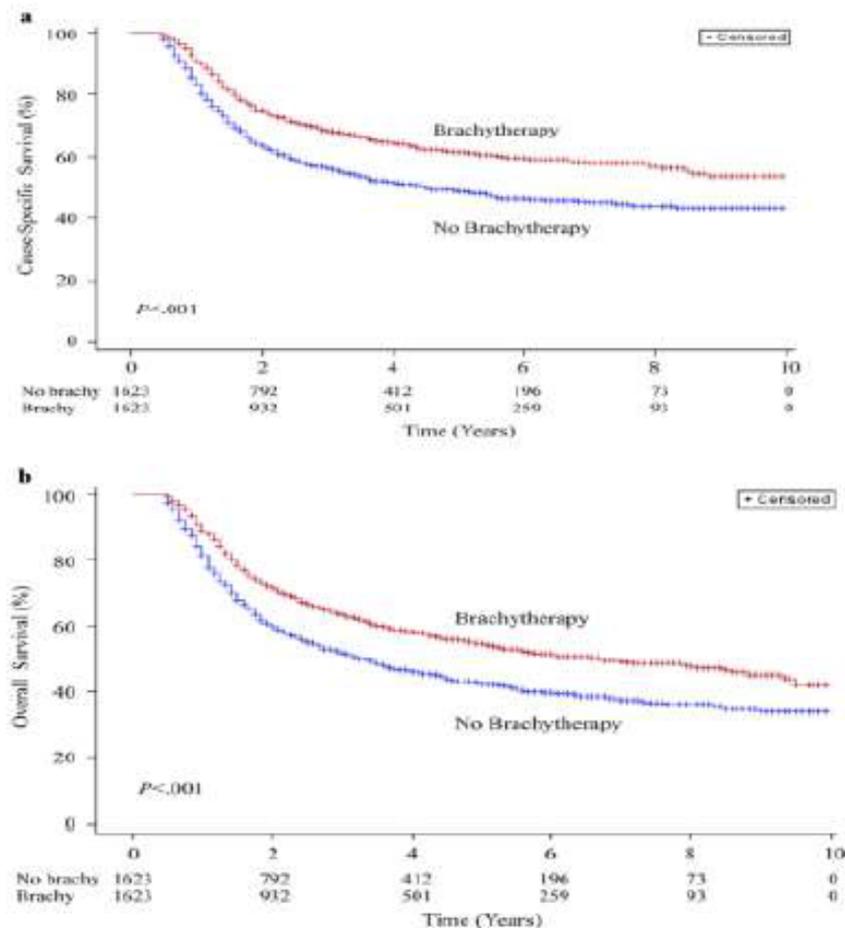
- 4-year CSS 64.3% vs 51.5%, $P < .001$

Decrease of Overall Survival

- 58.2% vs 46.2%, $P < .001$

Han et al, IJROBP 87 (2013)

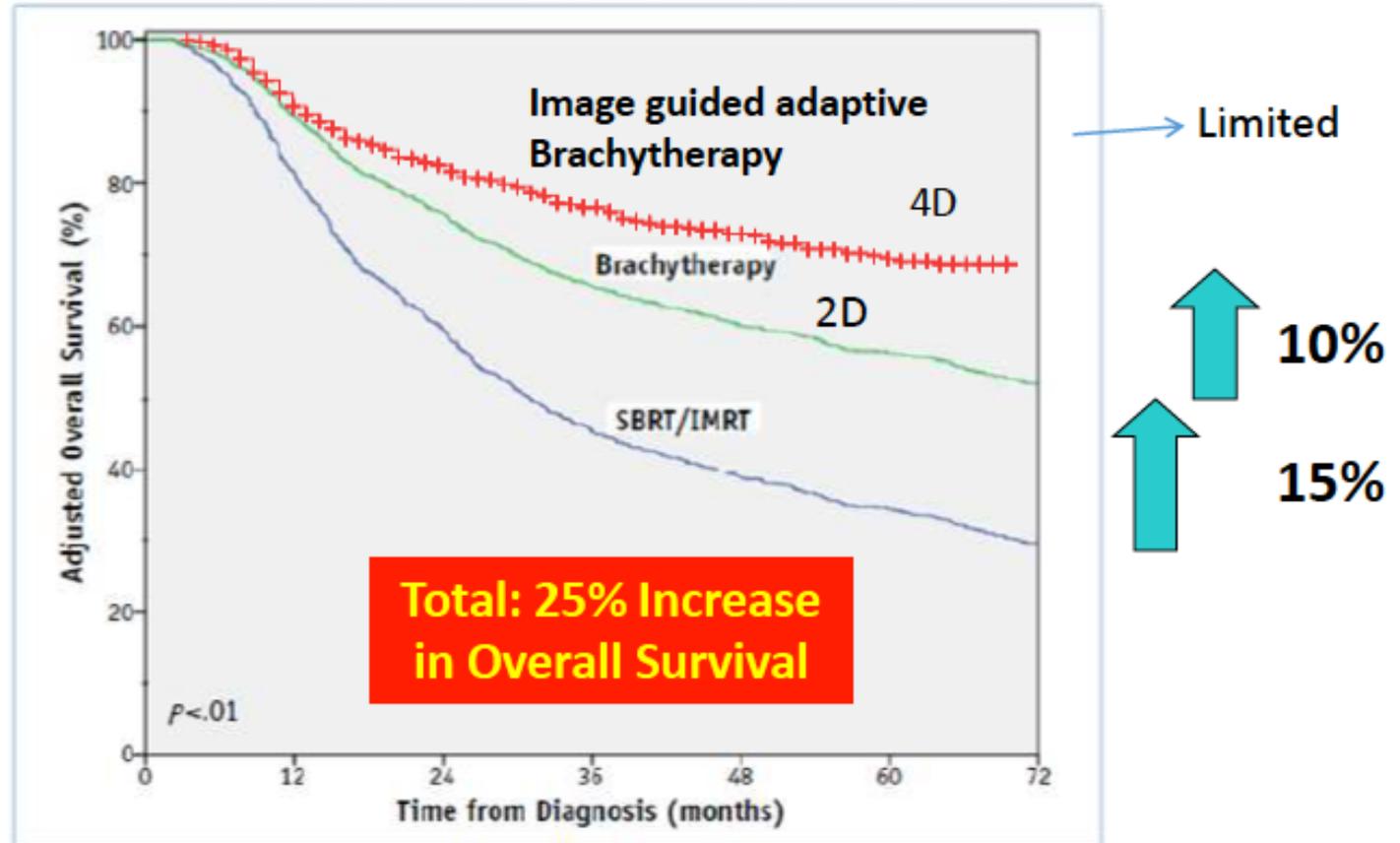
Fig. 2. Survival by brachytherapy use for matched cohort between 2000 and 2009. (a) Cause-specific survival; (b) overall survival, and (c) non-cancer-related survival.



Overall Survival locally advanced cervical cancer SBRT/IMRT boost vs. 2D BT vs. 4D IGABT

Gill B et al.
IJROBP
2014;90:1083

Sturdza et al.
radiother. Oncol.
2016 (In Press)



Concepto Braquiterapia 2D 3D

**Tradicionalmente la prescripción 2D referida a puntos
Habitualmente no es representativa de lo que
realmente sucede**

En volúmenes de OAR y en el organo blanco

**Los resultados han sido buenos pero esta por explicarse
correlacion con las fallas de tratamiento y las
toxicidades**

**(falta de consistencia entre las toxicidades y las dosis a
puntos de referencia)**

3D vs 2D?

Reflexion :

- **La aceptación y la implementación de imágenes y planeamiento para RT Externa ha estado lejos de los avances en braquiterapia**
- **La integración en braquiterapia es lenta por varias razones como disponibilidad de software, hardware, costo, tiempo y experiencia**
- **Pero vale la pena intentarlo y por que ?**



Racional

Mejorar el control local

Reducir morbilidad y toxicidad

Mejorar la habilidad de predecir el pronostico

Mejorar sobrevida



Retos

Recursos y experiencia

Definir técnica óptima (según realidad)

Reproductibilidad e incertidumbres de la delineación y

Planeamiento incluyendo dosimetría



Introduction



Dimopoulos Red J 2009

- Adoption of IGBT can be daunting for many practicing physicians, precluding its widespread adoption

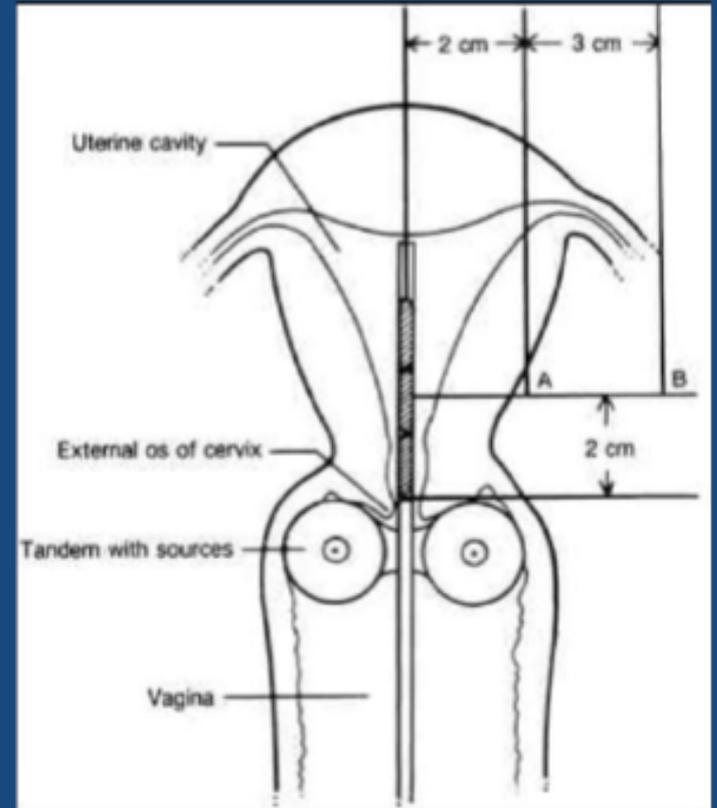


Purpose

To de-mystify IGBT and provide a practical step-by-step approach to making a successful transition from Point A-based treatment to IGBT



Goodbye Point A!

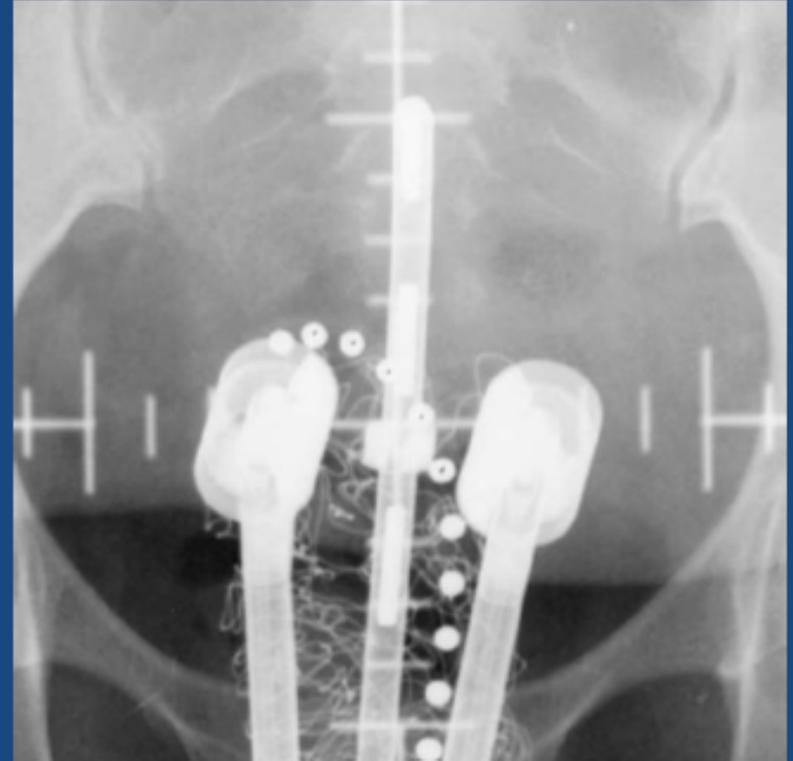


Goodbye Point A

We've had our share of goodbyes in
gynecologic radiation oncology

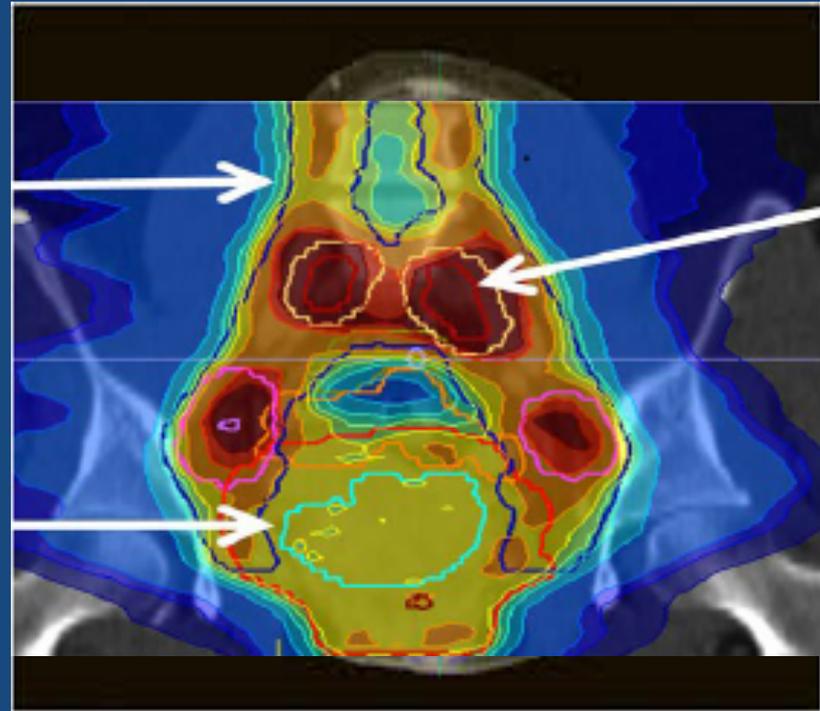


Goodbye LDR!



Hello HDR

Goodbye 4-Field Box!



Hello IMRT / VMAT

Goodbye Point A

- Each Goodbye has been hard
- We've all “grown up” with Point A and can't imagine using anything else
- But it is now time to say goodbye to Point A



Cuales son las barreras para IGBT?

- No RM TEM en el departamento
- No se tienen los aplicadores correctos
- No se tiene el Staff
- No hay tiempo para contornear
- No experiencia en contorneo en RM
- No hay comodidad moviéndose del punto A
- No se tiene experiencia en intersticial
- No sabe por donde empezar
- La practica estándar funciona bien la mayoría del tiempo: por que cambiar?



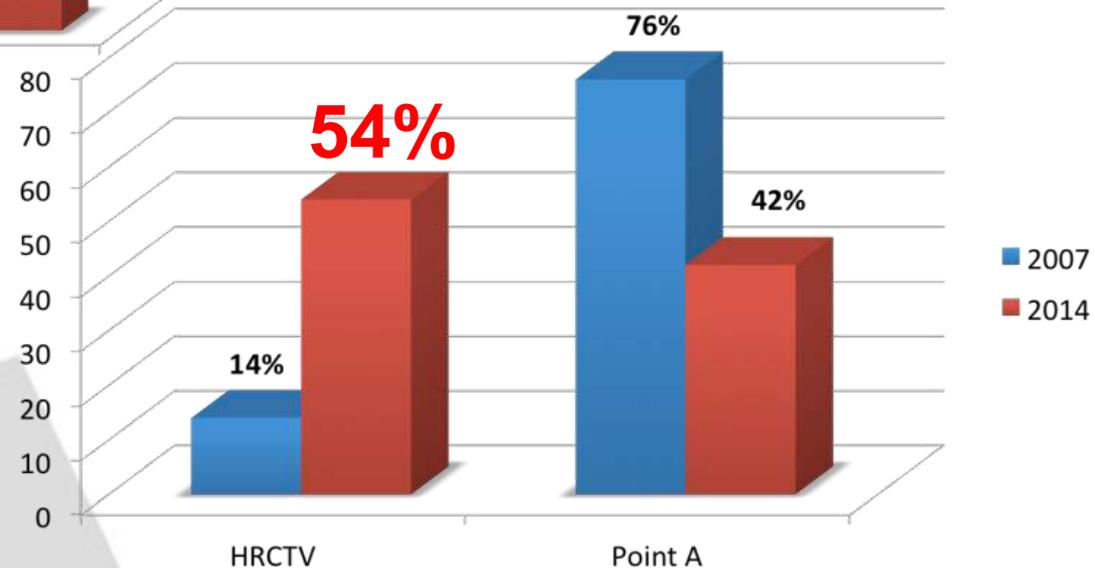
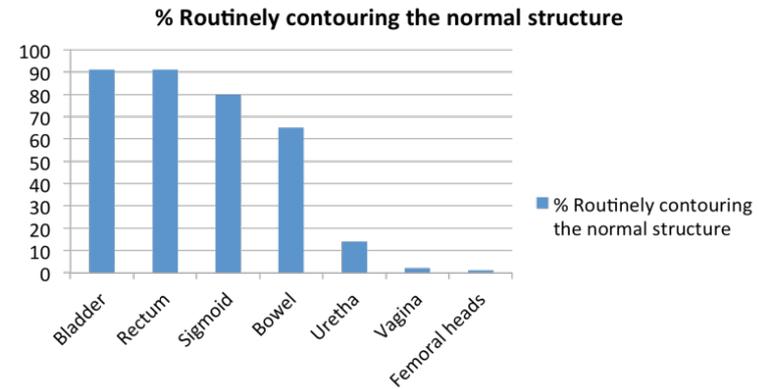
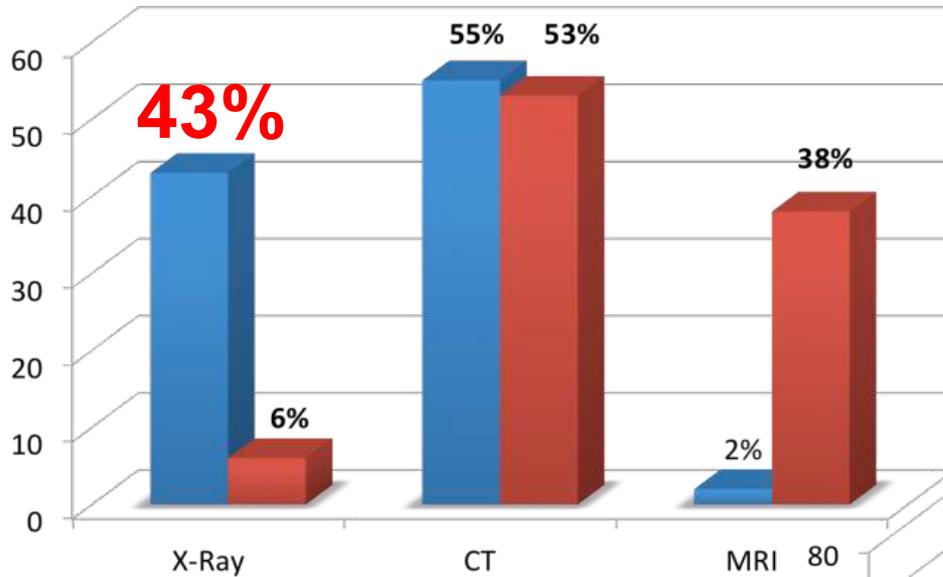
Results of Survey for 3D Brachytherapy

	Xray	Ct scan	MRI	2D/3D
ABS (2007)	43%	55%	2%	76%/14%
Canada	50%	45%	5%	50*/44%
Australia NZ	30%	65%	15%	65%/35%
ABS survey (2014)	15%	95%	34%	42%/52%



The Challenge

- ABS 2014 Survey (IJROBP 2016;94:598-604)
 - Increasing use of image-based planning in US from 2007 - 2014
 - Still large gaps in the use of MR-based planning



Dosimetría 2D

- Punto A fue seleccionado asumiendo que la dosis absorbida en el triángulo paracervical y no en el real volumen de vejiga recto o vagina determinado }por la tolerancia del volumen de tej. Normal
- Triángulo paracervical es la porción de tej.de área piramidal cuya base descansa en los fornices laterales de vagina y su ápex curvado alrededor del útero anteverso
- Esto fue considerado como la principal limitante de dosis para tratar el cérvix.

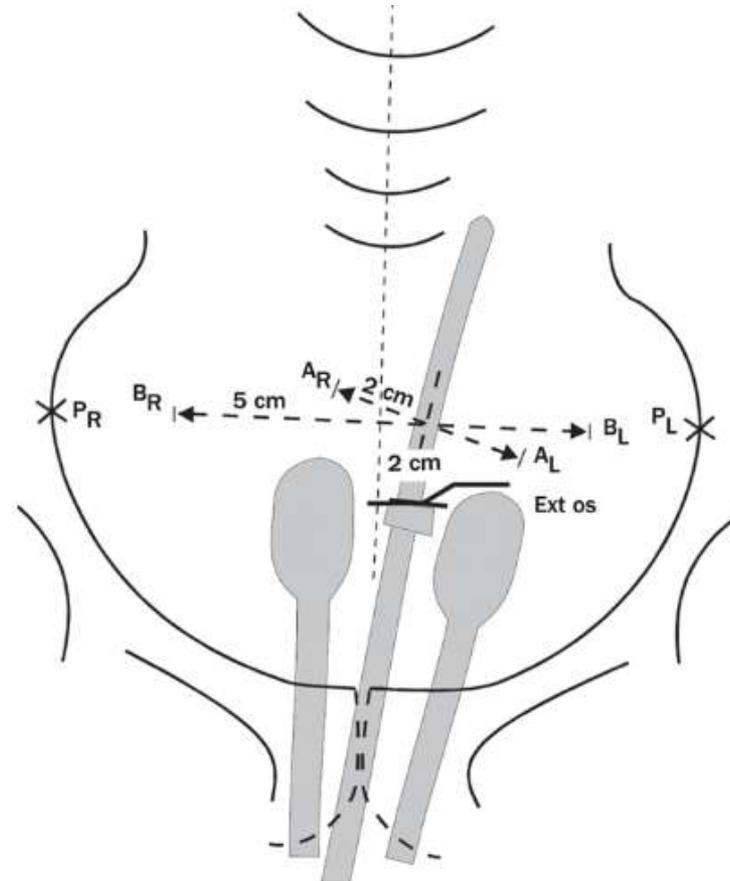
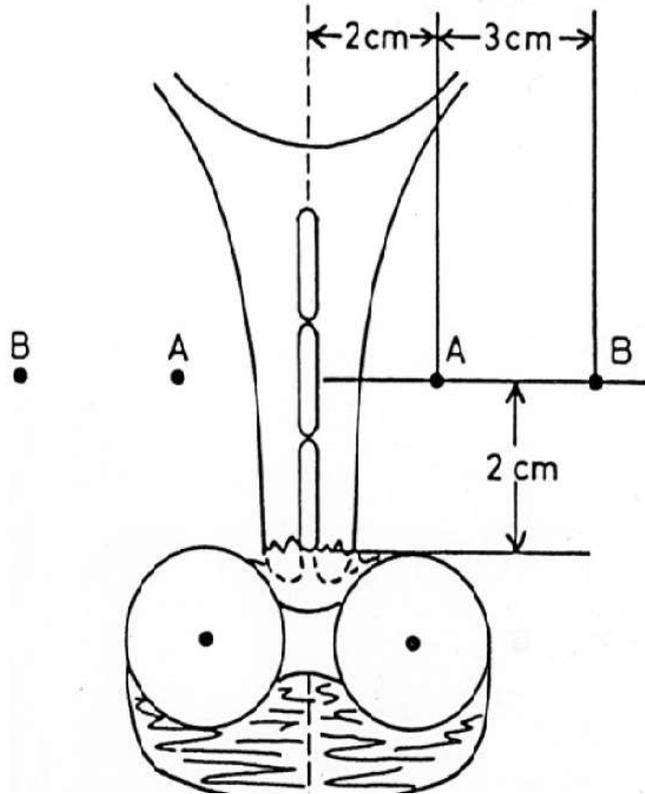


Hitos del planeamiento 2D

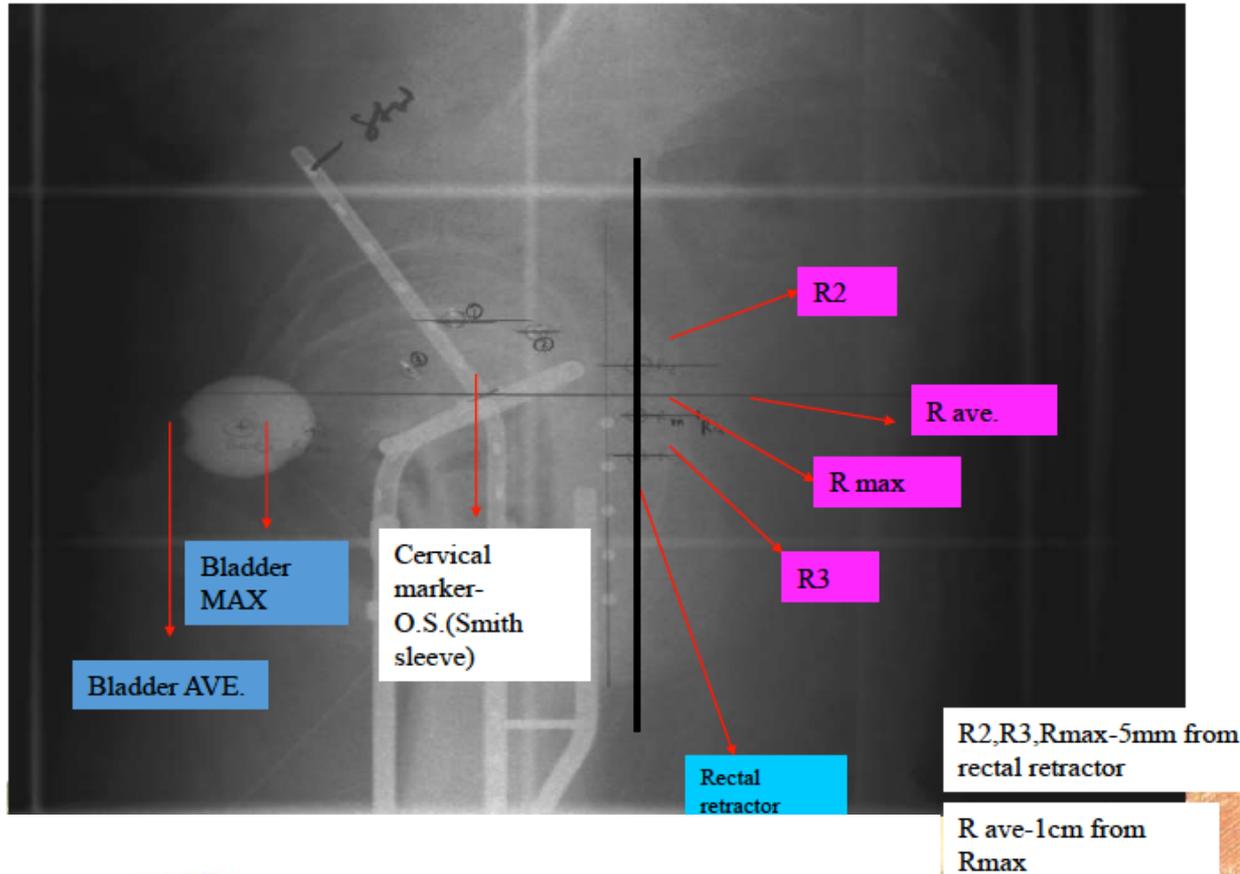
- Punto A fue modificado en 1953 como “2 cm por encima de borde inferior de la ultima fuente intra-uterina y a 2 cm lateralmente en el plano del útero, asumiendo que la os externa esta al nivel de dicha fuente y de los fornices vaginales.
- Punto A esta mas relacionado con la posición de las fuentes y el aplicador que con la anatomía.
- La variación en posición y distribución de fuentes y su relación con aplicador cambia significativamente las referencias anatómicas en la cual el punto A es definido.
- **Dosimetria basada en puntos referenciales de órganos críticos no correlacionan con las máximas dosis de estos OARs**



Puntos vs volúmenes



Ring and Tandem –Film Based 2D Plan Lateral

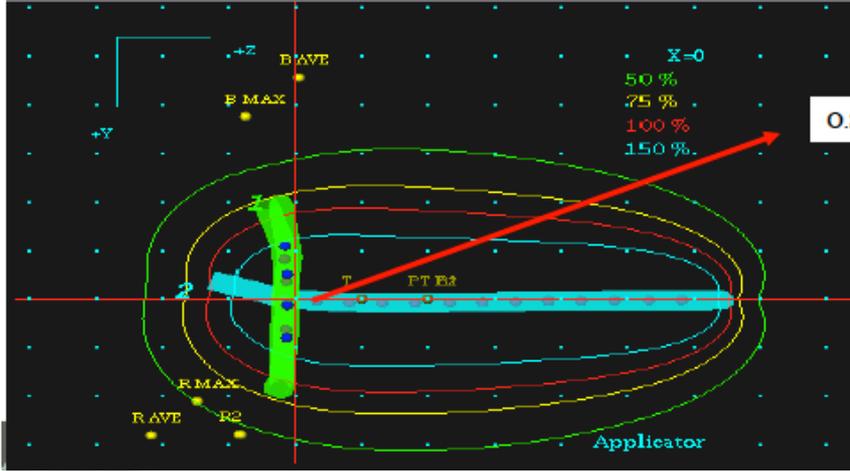
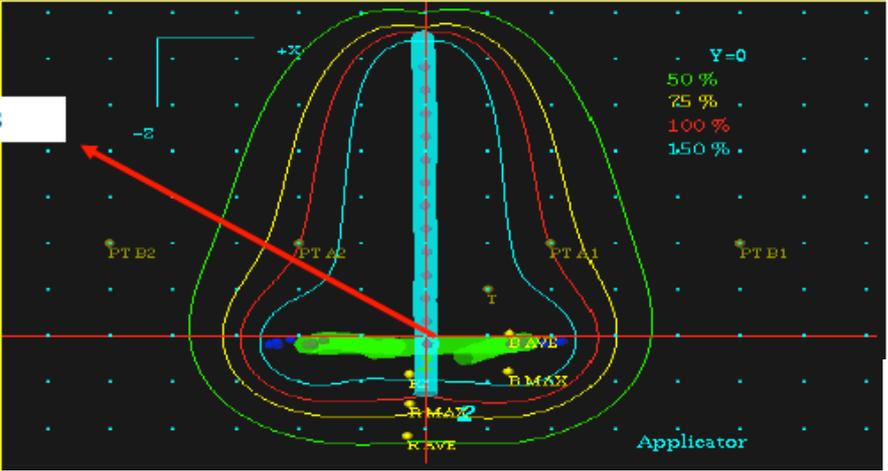
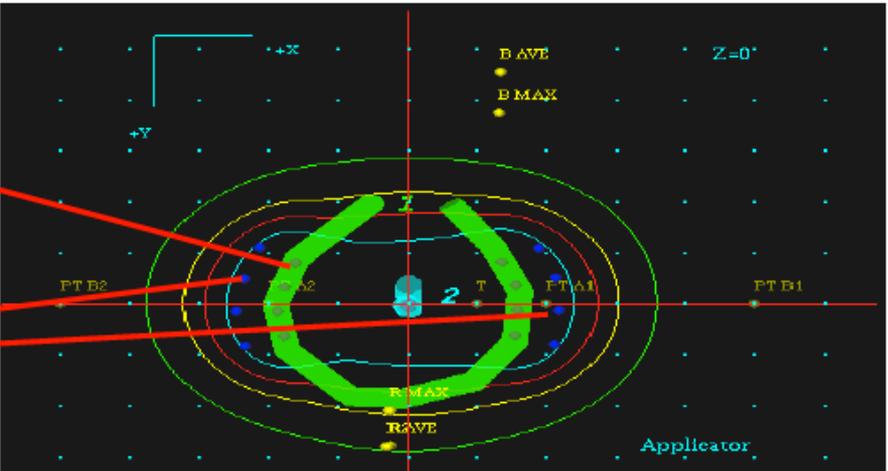


Film based planning(2D)

Dwell positions in ring

6mm from ring

O.S

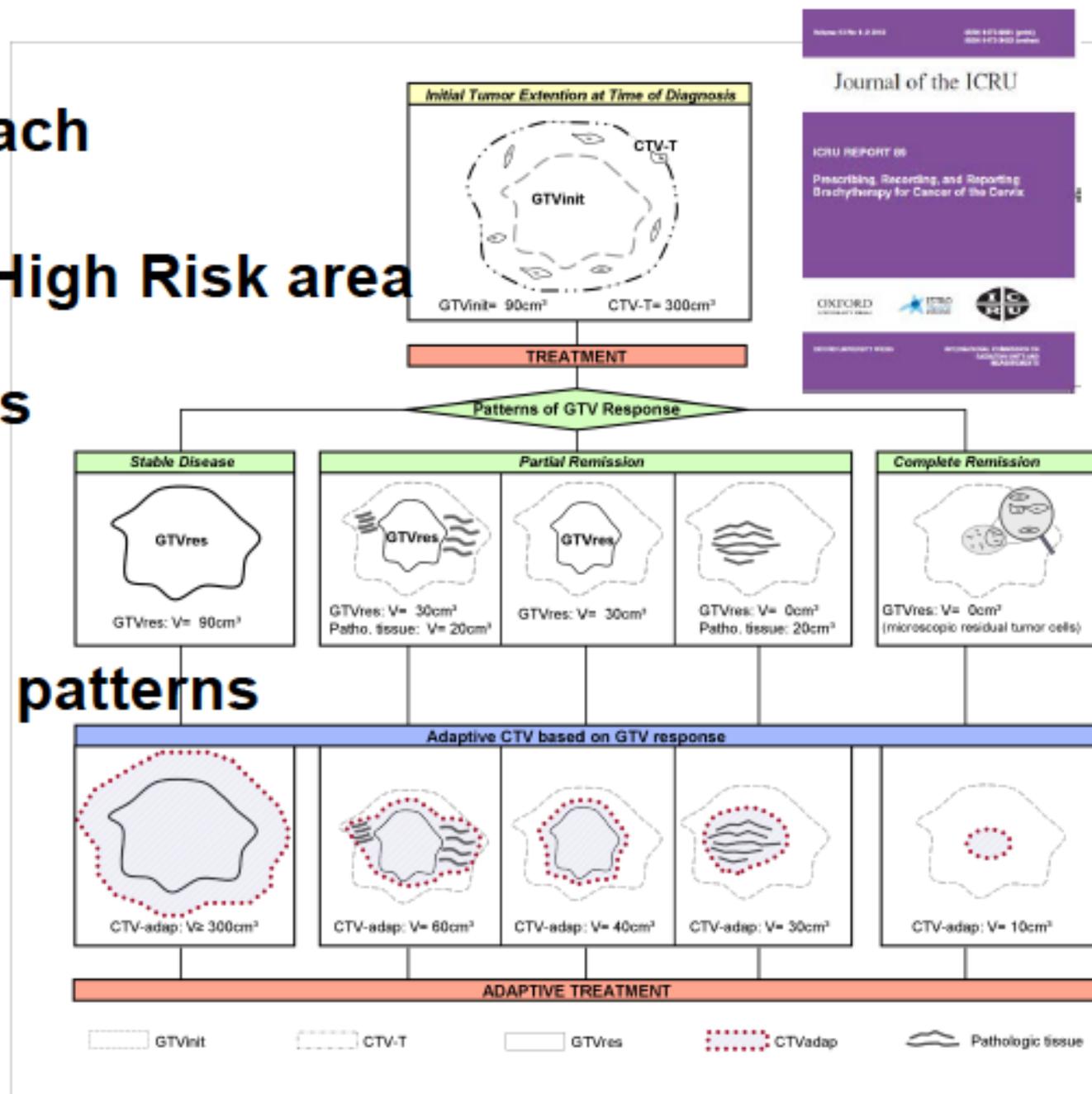


The two step adaptive approach for boosting Residual GTV+High Risk area

Various patterns GTV response

Corresponding adaptive CTVs

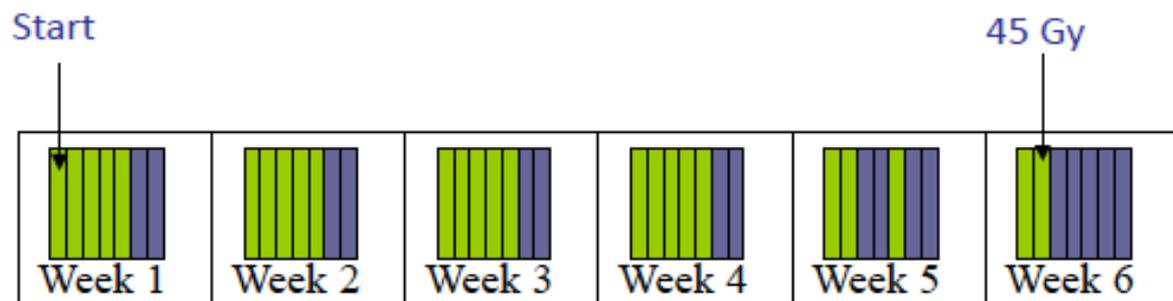
ICRU/GEC ESTRO
report 89, 2016,
Fig 5.3



<http://jicru.oxfordjournals.org/>

Primary radiochemotherapy and Image guided adaptive brachytherapy (IGABT)

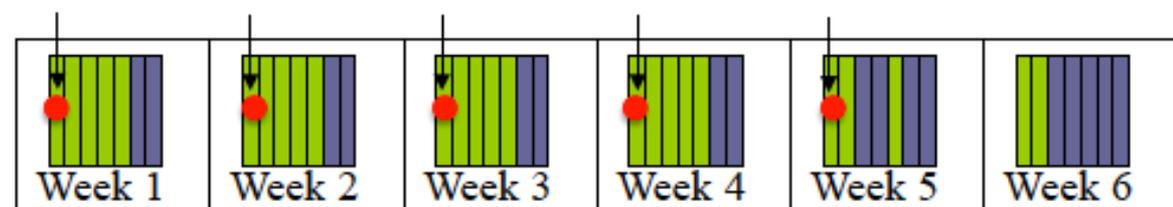
External beam radiotherapy: 3D EBRT or IMRT/VMAT



Chemotherapy

1. Cycle

5-6 Cycles

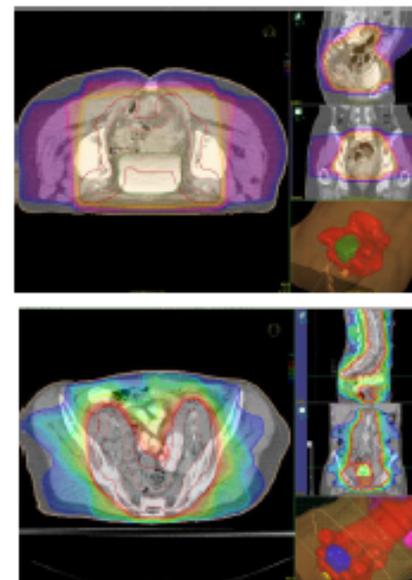
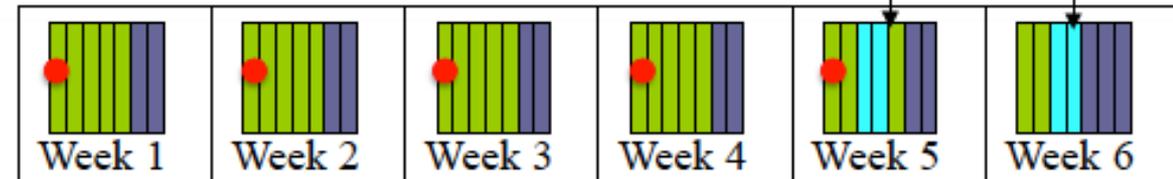


Brachytherapy: IGABT

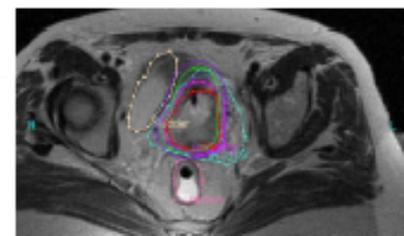
HDR or PDR

$EQD_2 \geq 60$ Gy

$EQD_2 \geq 85$ Gy

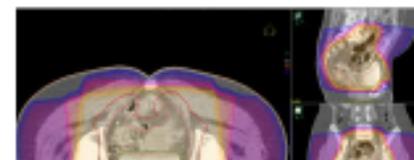
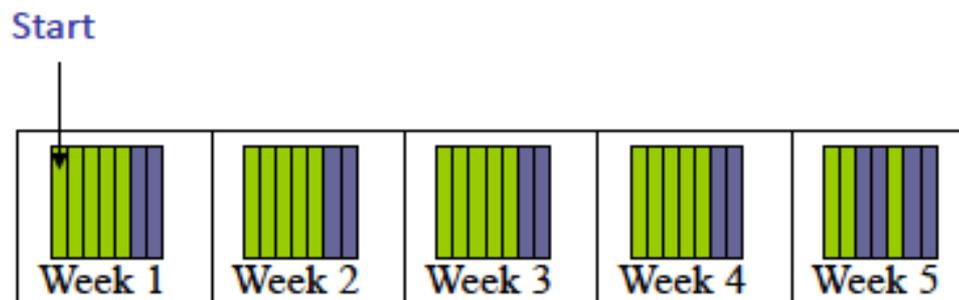


Cisplatin 40 mg/m²

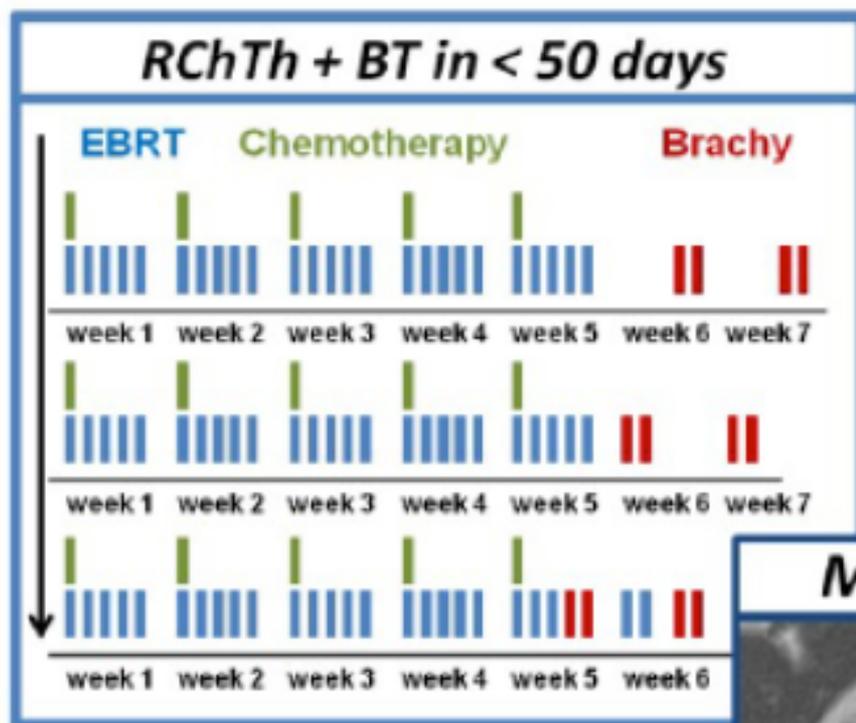
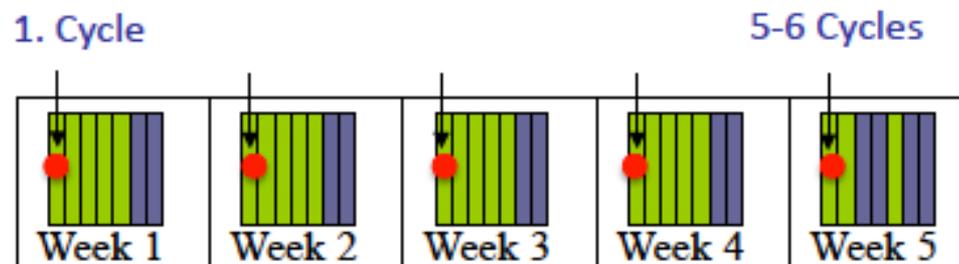


Primary radiochemotherapy and Image guided adaptive brachytherapy (IGABT)

External beam radiotherapy: 3D EBRT or IMRT/VMAT

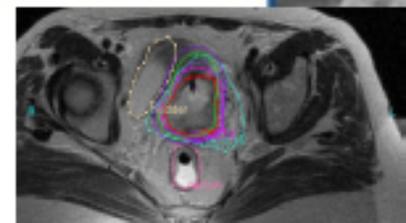


Chemotherapy



Brachytherapy: IGABT

HDR or PDR



Treatment Duration

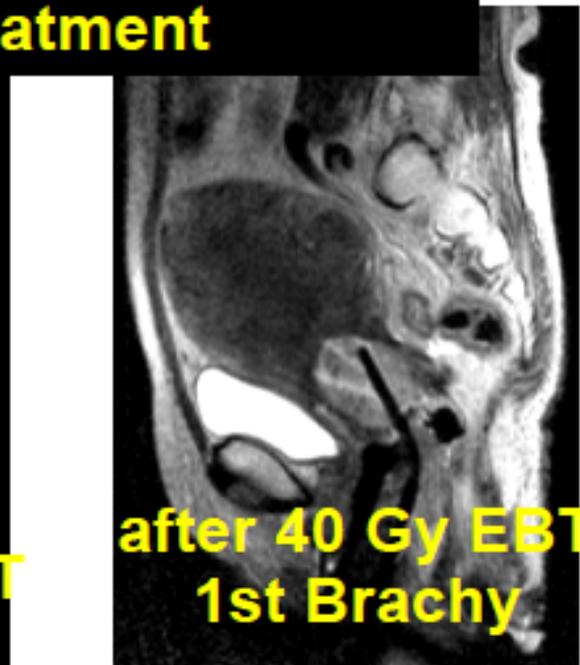
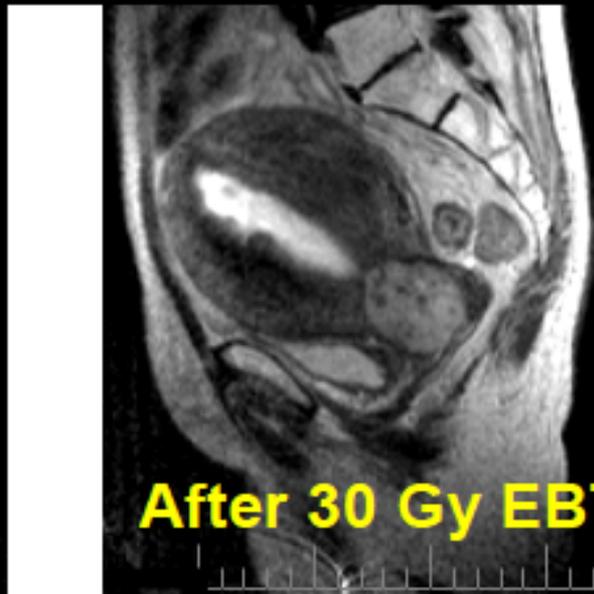
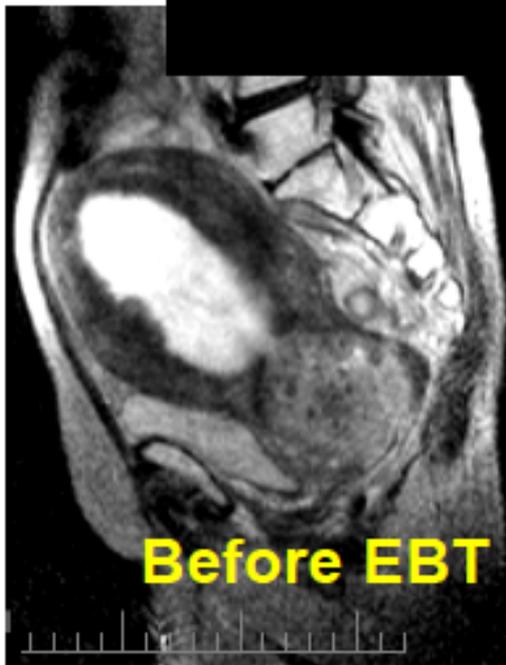
	< 6 weeks	6-7.9 weeks	8-9.9 weeks	10+ weeks
4 yr Pelvic Recurrence Rate	5%	11%	13%	20%

Lanciano et al. IJROBP 25:391, 1993

- **Survival decreased @0.6% per day > 8 weeks**

Petereit et al. IJROBP 32:1301, 1995

The Challenge: Tumour size and topography change during treatment



The evolution of the concept of residual GTV and HR CTV



Does Image Guided Brachytherapy Make a Difference?

Prospective trial in 3D PDR brachytherapy

Impact of 3D image-based PDR brachytherapy on outcome of patients treated for cervix carcinoma in France: Results of the French STIC prospective study[☆]

Claire Charra-Brunaud^{a,*}, Valentin Harter^a, Martine Delannes^g, Christine Haie-Meder^c,
Philippe Quetin^d, Christine Kerr^e, Bernard Castelain^f, Laurence Thomas^b, Didier Peiffert^a

Radiotherapy and Oncology 2012

- 801 enrolled, 705 analyzed from 20 centers, not randomized
 - Group I: preop brachy
 - Group II: EBRT, brachy, surgery
 - Group III: EBRT, brachy
- Improved Local control at 2 yrs: 4.6%-8.3% (p=0.003)
 - Local failure: 26% and 21% for 2D and 3D, respectively in group 3
 - Point A doses: 68.5 Gy and 70.8 Gy for 2D and 3D, respectively in group 3
- HR for G3/4 toxicity was 1.9 for 2D vs 3D
- No difference in OS or DFS

STIC prospective study

	Group 1 (2D)	Group 1 (3D)	Group 2 (2D)	Group 2 (3D)	Group 3 (2D)	Group 3 (3D)
LFRS	91.9	100	84.7	93	73.9	78.5 *
RLRFS	87.9	96.1	77.2	88.6	61.2	69.6 *
DFS	86.5	89.7	73	77.1	55.2	60.3
OS	95	96	85	86	65	74

Gr. 3-4 Tox.	Group 1 (2D)	Group 1 (3D)	Group 2 (2D)	Group 2 (3D)	Group 3 (2D)	Group 3 (3D)
Urinary	5.8	1.3	7.6	5.5	9.2	1.2 *
Digestive	6.8	1.2	0.9	4.8	9	0
Global	14.6	8.9	12.5	8.8	22.7	2.6 *
Gr. 2-4 tox.						
Urinary	13.1	7.9	20.4	13.3	23.1	13.7 *
Digestive	8.3	7.4	8.3	8.8	18.7	15.2
Global	37.5	23.2	40.6	29.4	53.4	42.4

Retrospective CT data

#	Mode of treatment		Imaging During BT	Median Follow up (years)	Local control (%)	Disease specific Survival (%)	Overall Survival (%)	Grade 3-4 Toxicity
115 BWH	ChRT/HDR	IB-III B	CT	1.8	93 ⁺	83 ⁺	78 ⁺	---
44 UPMC	ChRT/HDR	IB-III B	CT+MR	0.6	88 ⁺	85 ⁺	86 ⁺	0
28 UK	ChRT/HDR	IB1-III B	CT	1.9	96 [^]	81 [^]	---	14(3GI) [^]

Institution (Years reported)	# Patients	Mode of treatment	Stage	Imaging During BT	Median Follow up (years)	Local control (%)	Disease specific Survival (%)	Overall Survival (%)	Late Grade 3-4 Toxicity %(#)
Vienna (1993-1997)	189	EB/HDR	IA-IVB	CT	2.8	78 [^]	68 [^]	58 [^]	(3GU), (4 GI), (31 V) [^]
Vienna (1998-2003)	145	EB+/-Ch ^N -HDR	IA-IVA	MR	4.3	85 [^]	68 [^]	58 [^]	(3GU), (4GI), (5V) [^]
Vienna (2001-2008)	156	EB+/-Ch ^d -HDR	IA-IVA	MR	3.5	95 [^]	74 [^]	68 [^]	(3GU), (5GI), (2V) [^]
UPMC (2007-2010)	44	ChRT/HDR	IB-IIIB	CT+MR	0.6	88 ⁺	85 ⁺	86 ⁺	0
Addenbrooks (2005-2007)	28	ChRT/HDR	IB1-IIIB	CT	1.9	96 [^]	81 [^]	—	14(3GI) [^]
IGR (2000-2004)	39	Pre-op LDR	IB1-IIB	MR	4.4	91 [±]	86 [±]	94 [±]	0
IGR (2000-2004)	84	ChRT/LDR	IB2-IVB	MR	4.4	89 [±]	52 [±]	57 [±]	(3GU; 1GI) [±]
IGR (2004-2006)	45	ChRT/PDR	IB-IVA	MR	2.2	100 ⁺	73 ⁺	78 ⁺	(1 Fi) ⁺
BW/DFCC (2004-2011)	115	ChRT/HDR	IB-IIIB	CT	1.8	93 ⁺	83 ⁺	78 ⁺	—

IGABT

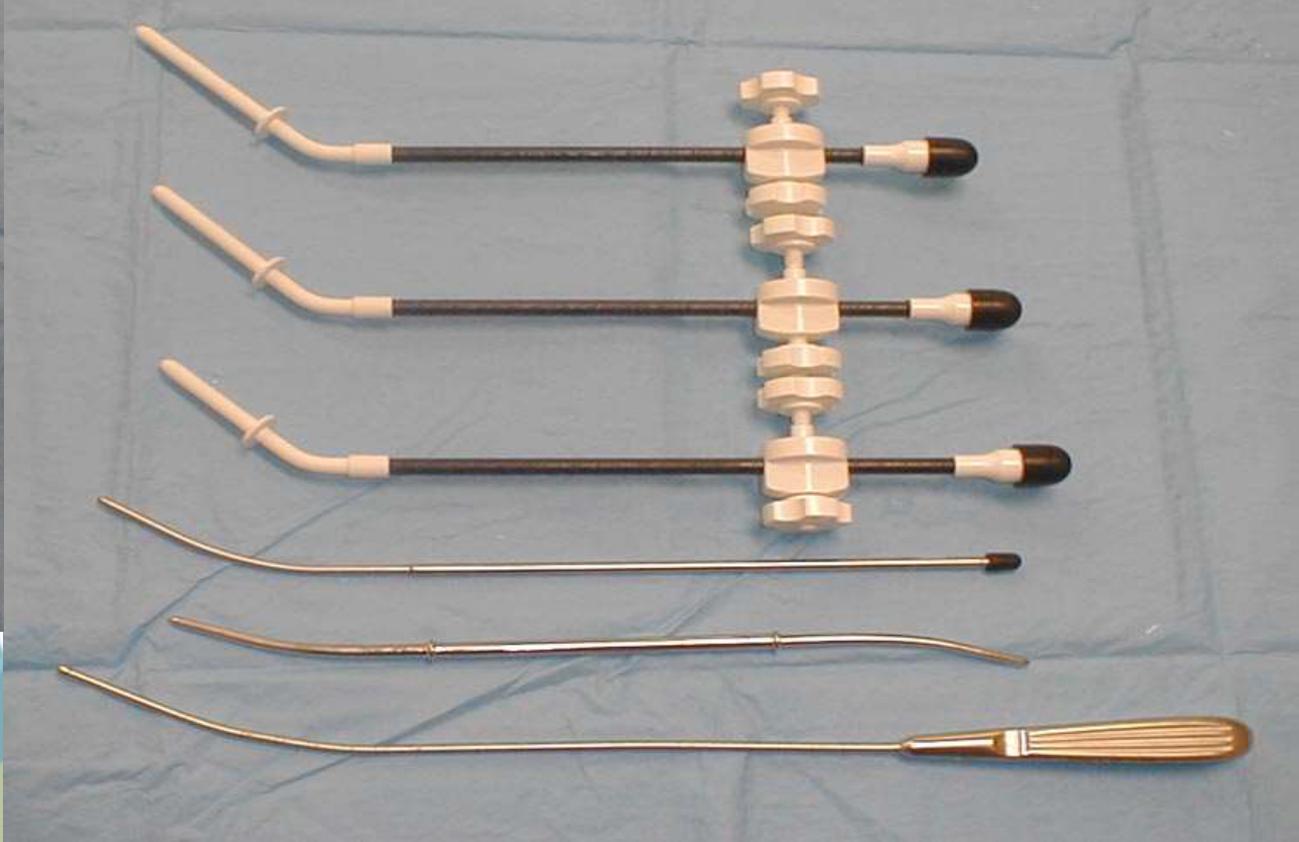
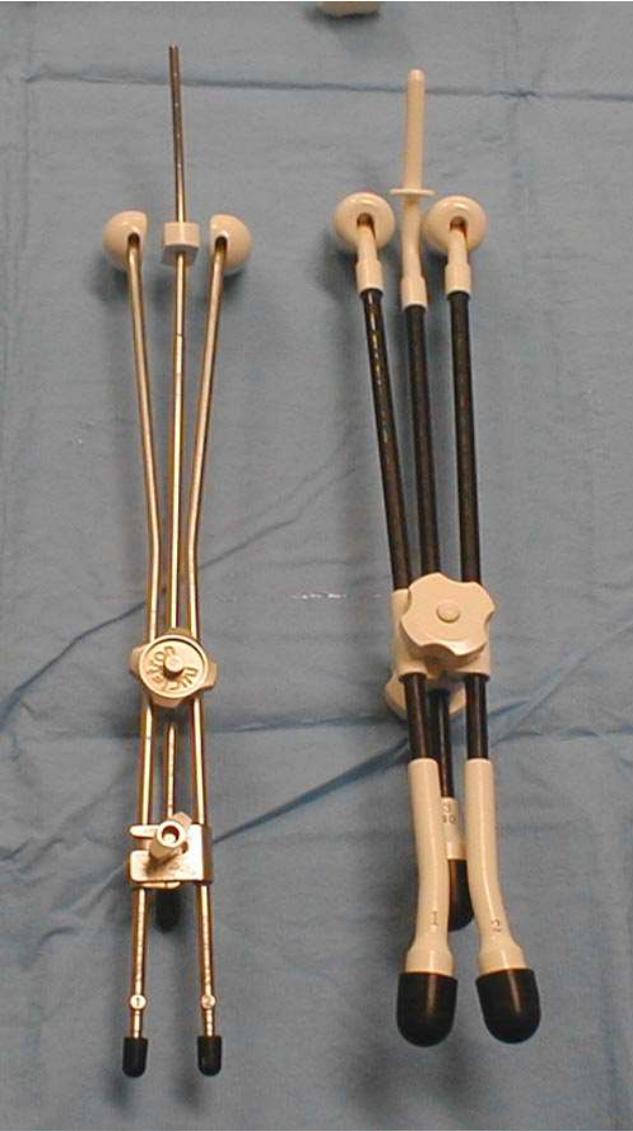
Hardware y software

Definición de blanco de y contorneo de OARs

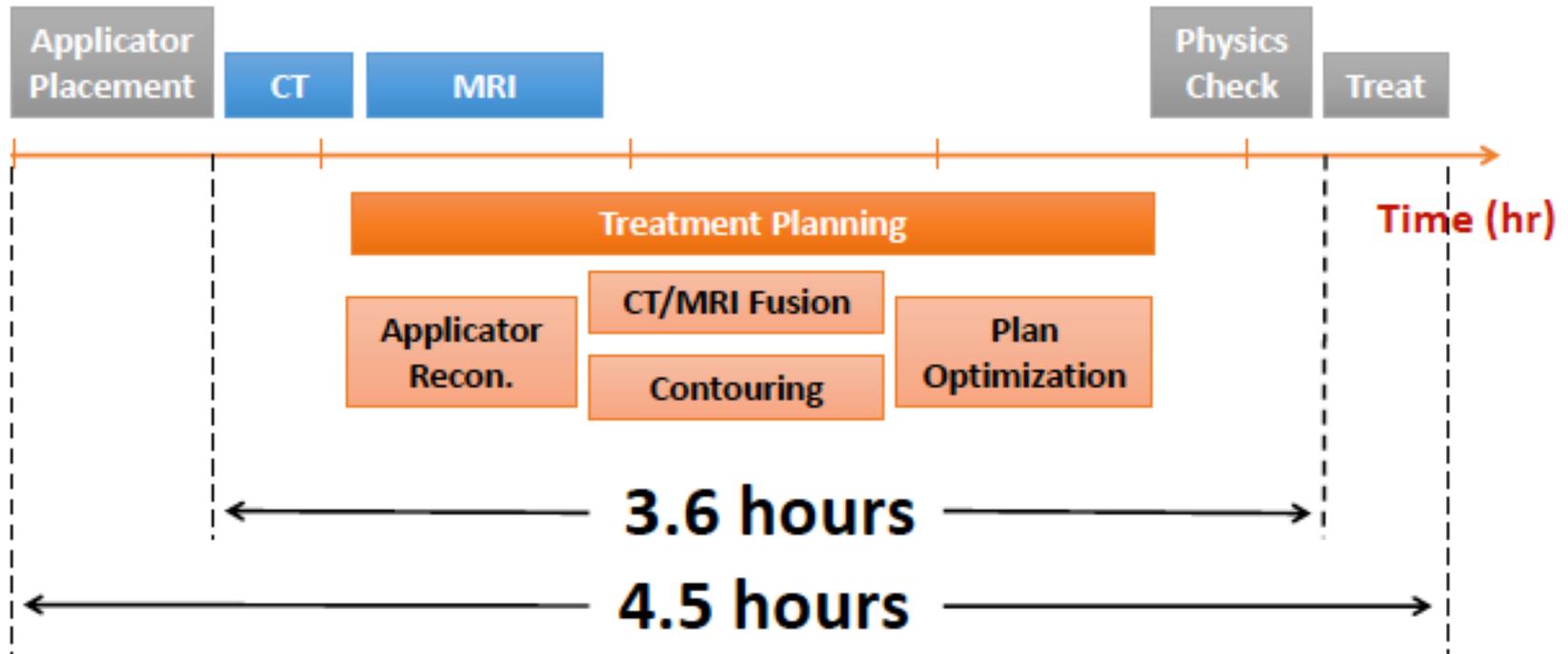
Dosis de tolerancia según volumen y no puntos

Data pronostica





Tiempo requerido



The median time from start of imaging to treatment delivery was 3.6

Comparación 2D vs 3D

Varios estudios han comparado dosis de BATD basada en imágenes de TEM con la dosis dada basada en radiografías ofrecida al tumor cervical

Y a los OARs

Estos estudios demuestran consistentemente que la tendencia es a prescribir

Menos dosis al tumor y más dosis a los OARs



Comparación 2D vs 3D

KIM y Pareek mostraron que la BATD basada en radiografías usando Punto A sobreestima la dosis tumor especialmente en casos avanzados

El volumen tratado a la dosis prescrita se relaciono en promedio a una aproximación real de dosis al GTV de 98.5, 89.5, 79.5 y 59.5 para EC IBI IB2 IIB y IIIB respectivamente



Dosimetric analysis of 3D image-guided HDR brachytherapy planning for the treatment of cervical cancer: is point A-based dose prescription still valid in image-guided brachytherapy?

[Med Dosim.](#) 2011 Summer;36(2):166-70. 2010 May 21

	HR CTV D90(Gy)	Point A (Gy)	p –value (for the difference between volume and point dose)
Mean ±SD	83.2±4.3	78.6±4.4	<0.001

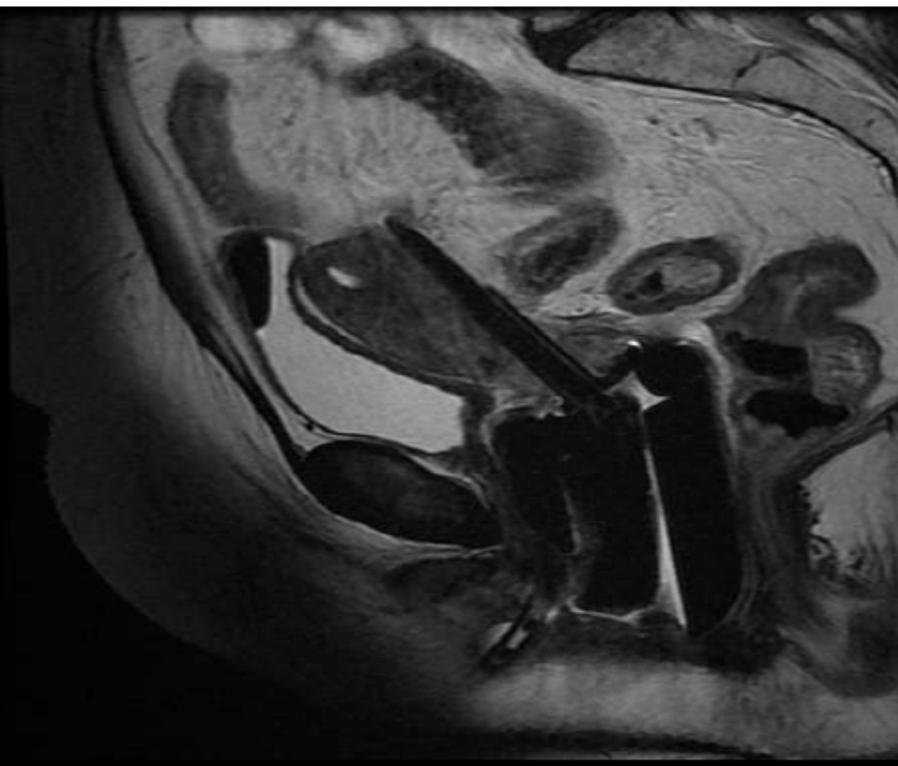
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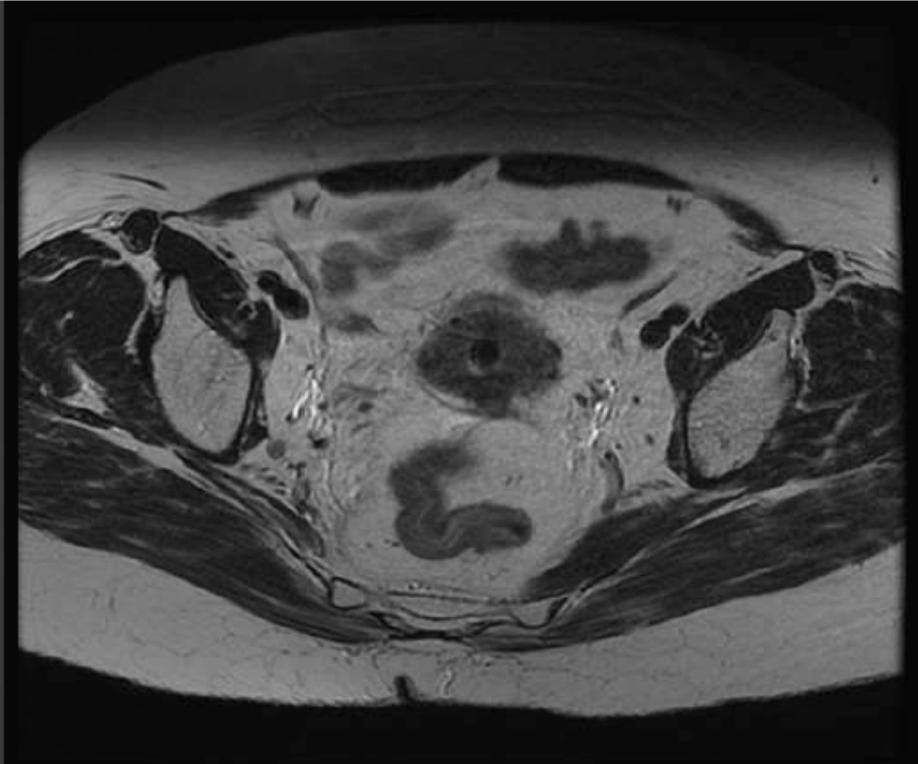
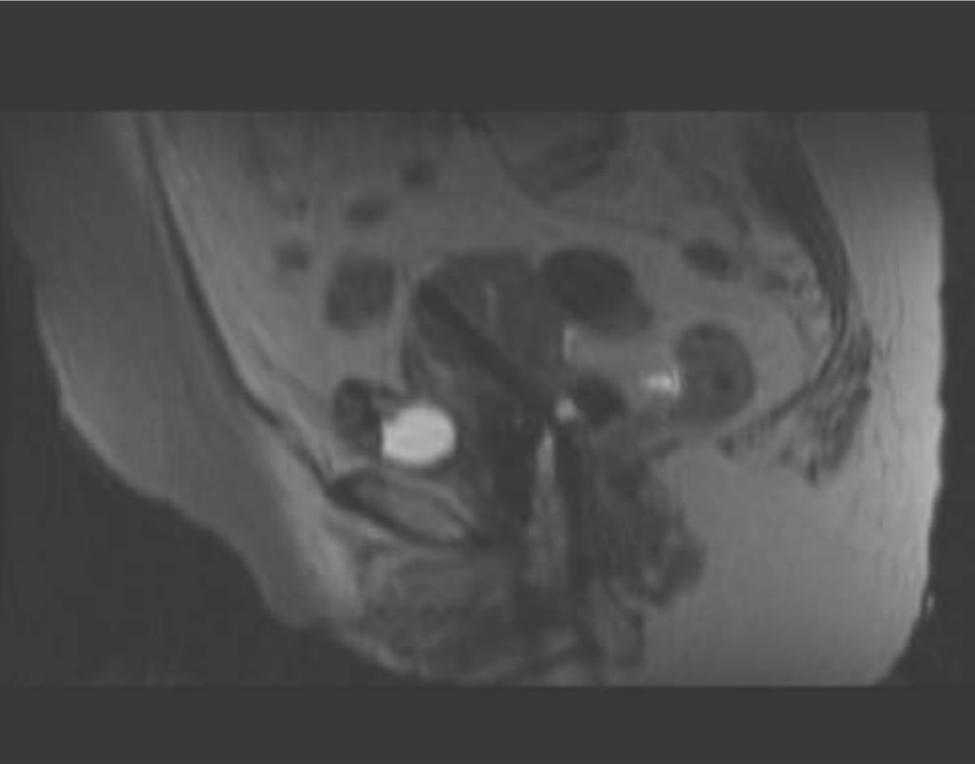
Verificación de posición

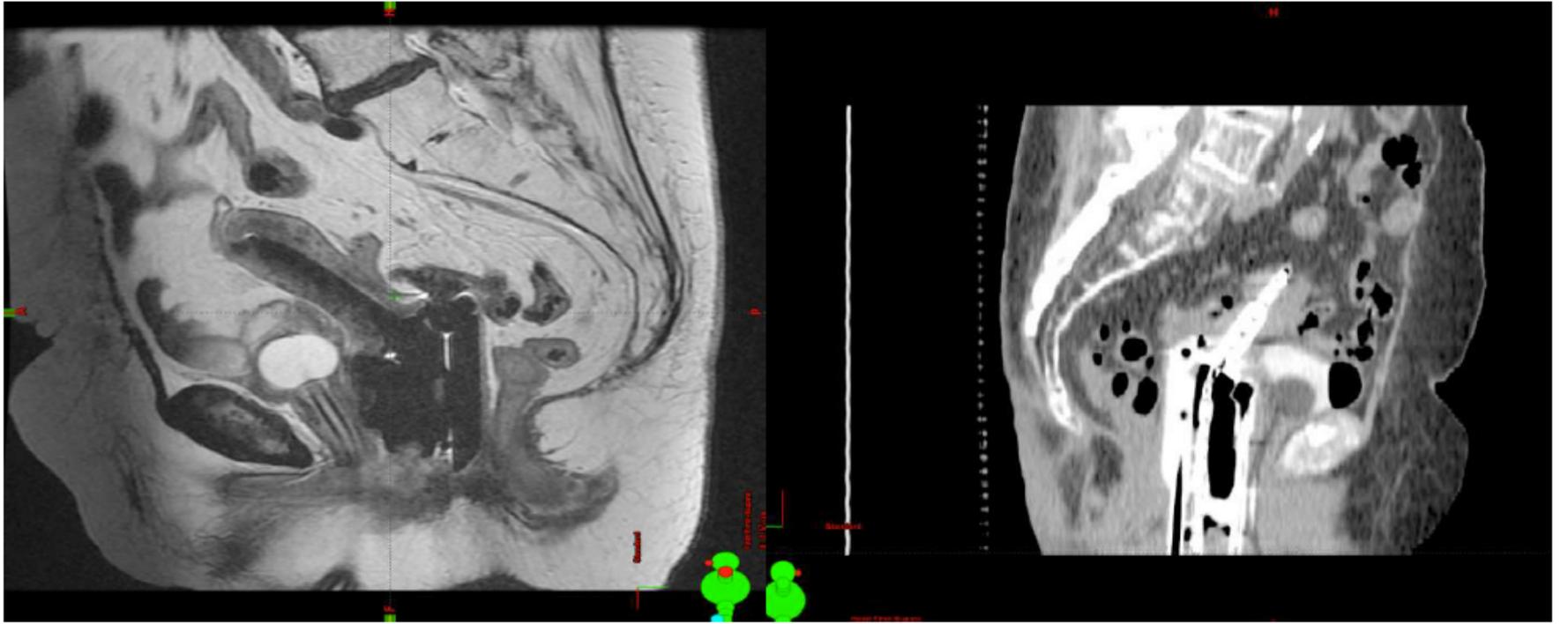
Evitar tratar zonas erróneas y evitar complicaciones de procedimiento

Perforaciones en segmento uterino inferior o fundus









Ganancia Clínica

**Para tumores pequeños (70 a 75%)
Reduce las dwell position y las dwell times
con menor posibilidad de complicaciones
inclusive escalando dosis tumoral por mejor
conformalidad y homogeneidad
Menor dosis a los órganos en riesgo**

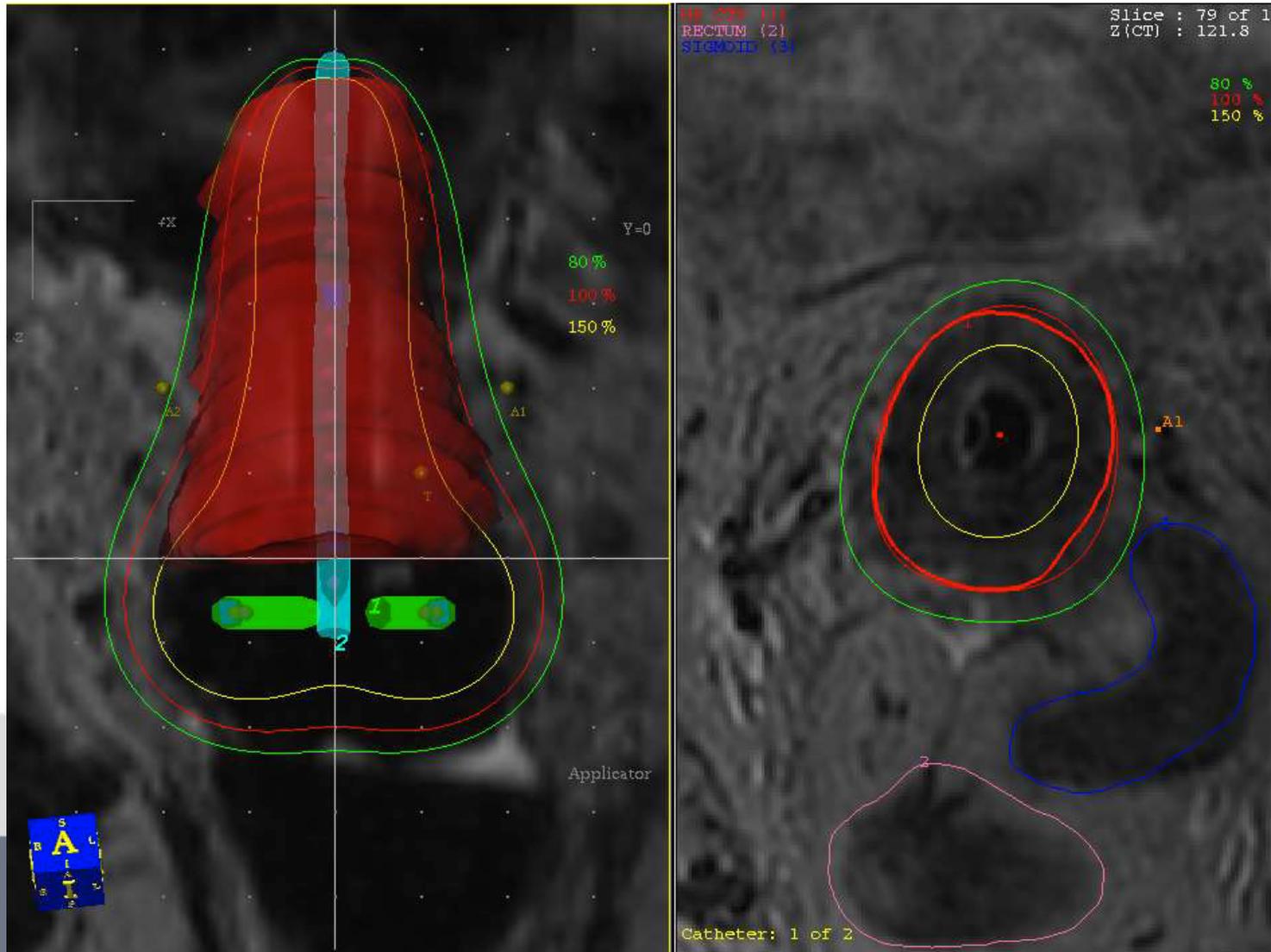


2D vs 3D

HR CTV fue adecuadamente tratado (V100:::95%) 70% de pac.
Tratadas Convencionalmente y 75% de las pac con planes optimizados consiguieron mejorar los indicadores
La dosis mínima a zona contigua 2cc del recto sigmoide y vejiga fue 16, 25y 9.2 Gv respectivamente .

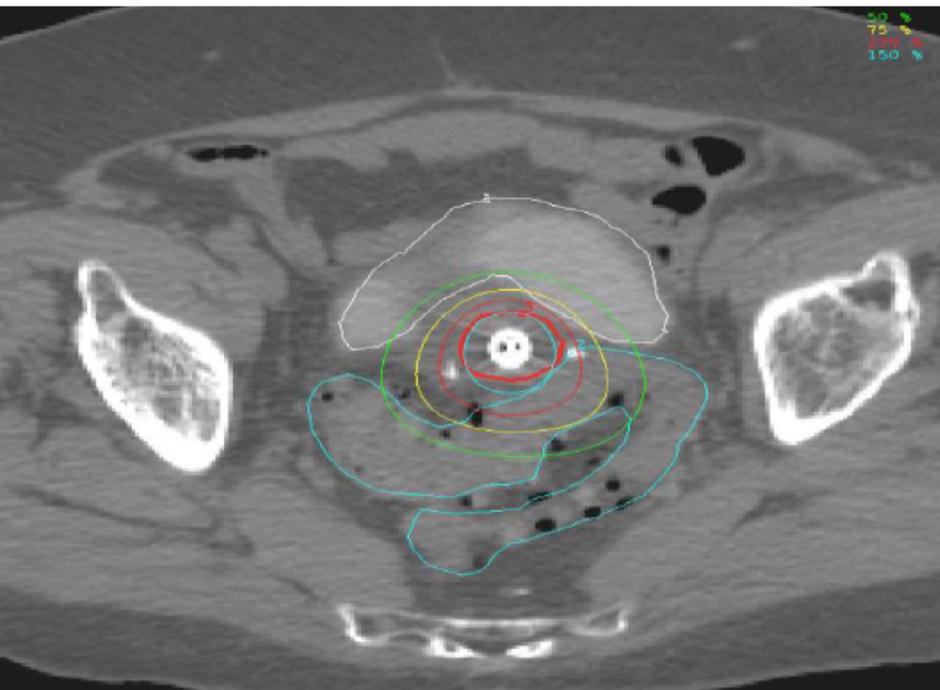


Point A Located Outside Target/Lower Dose than Prescription Dose

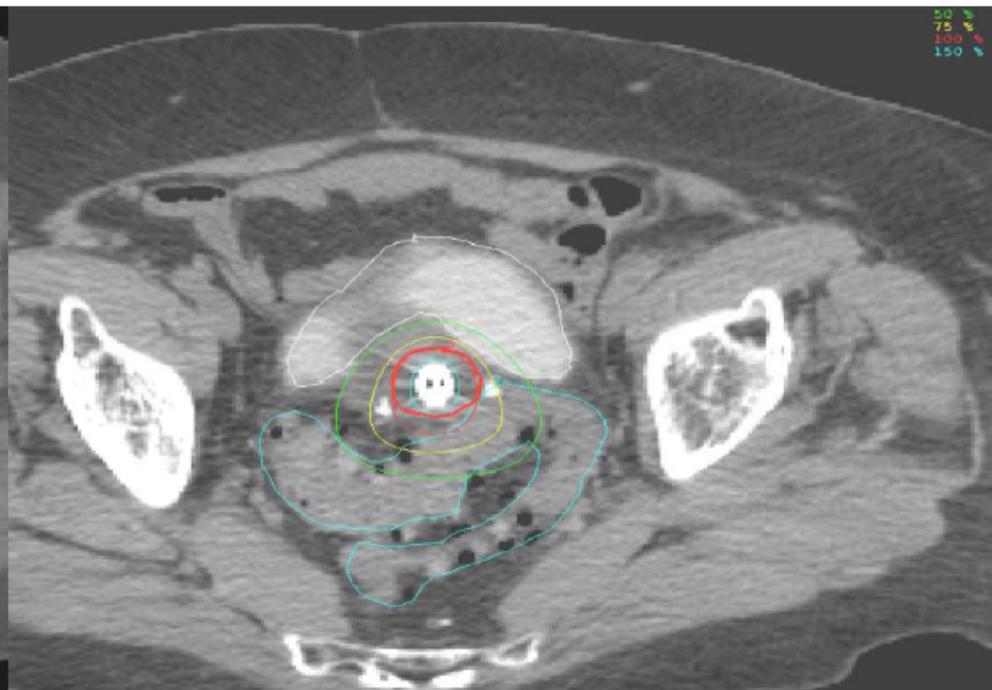


Ring and Tandem-CT Based

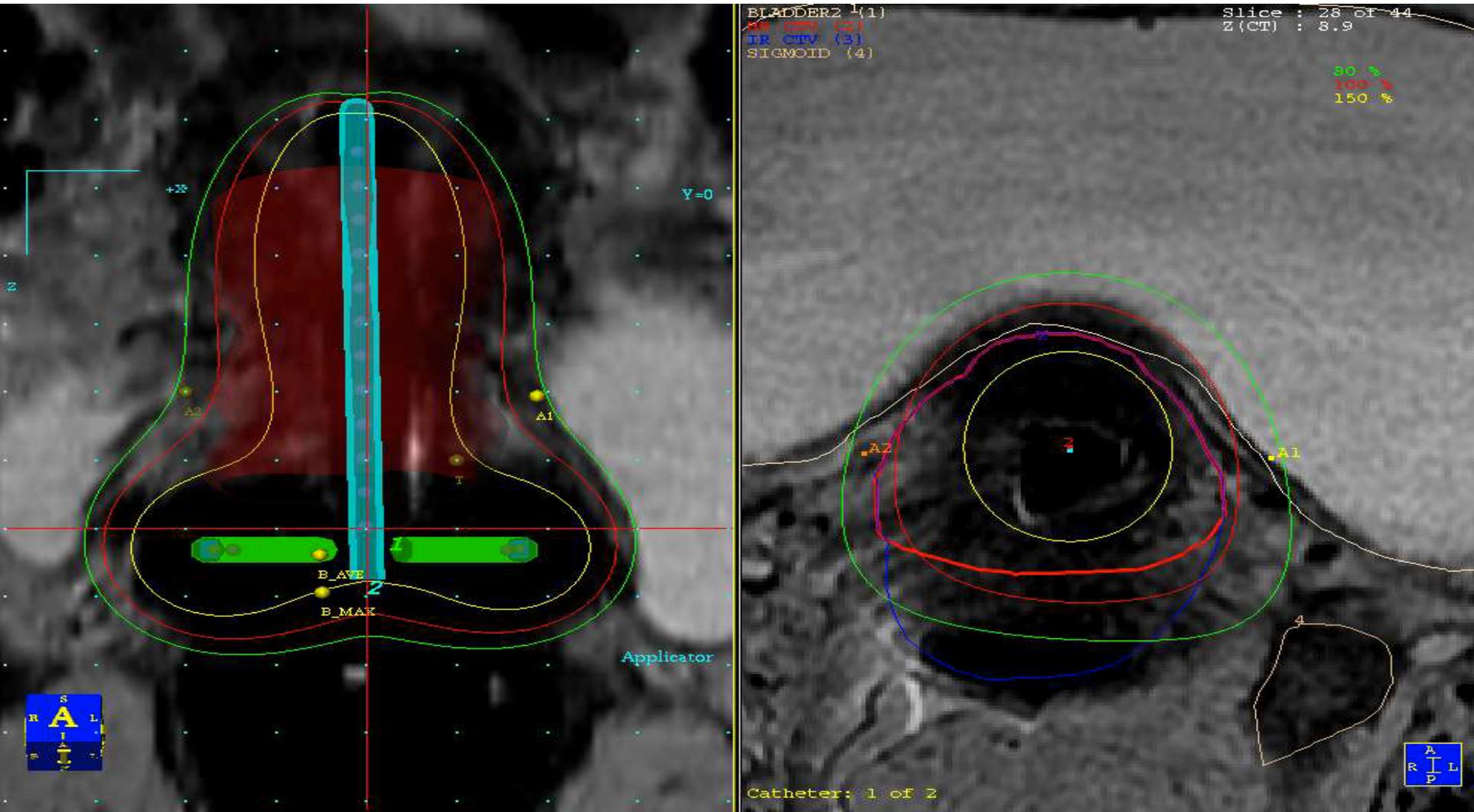
Non-optimized plan



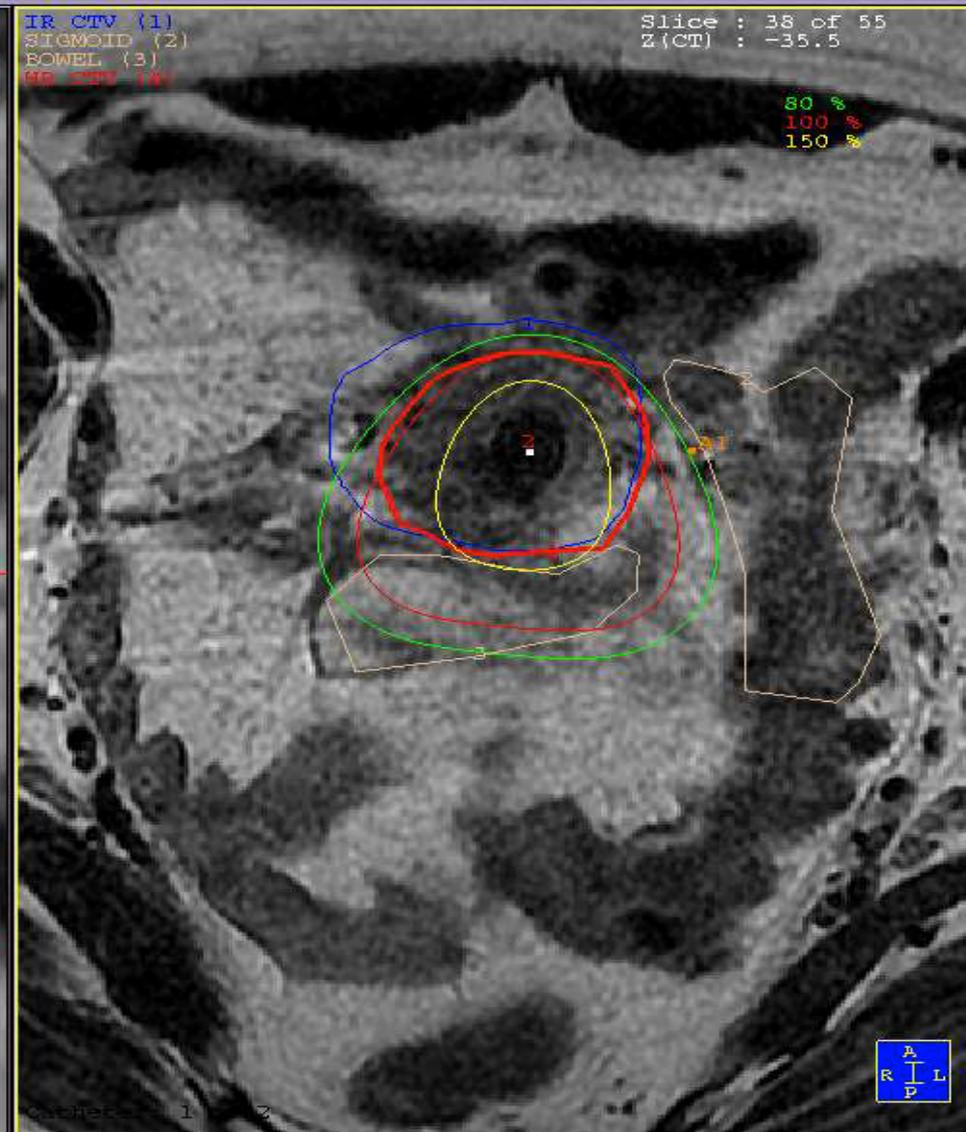
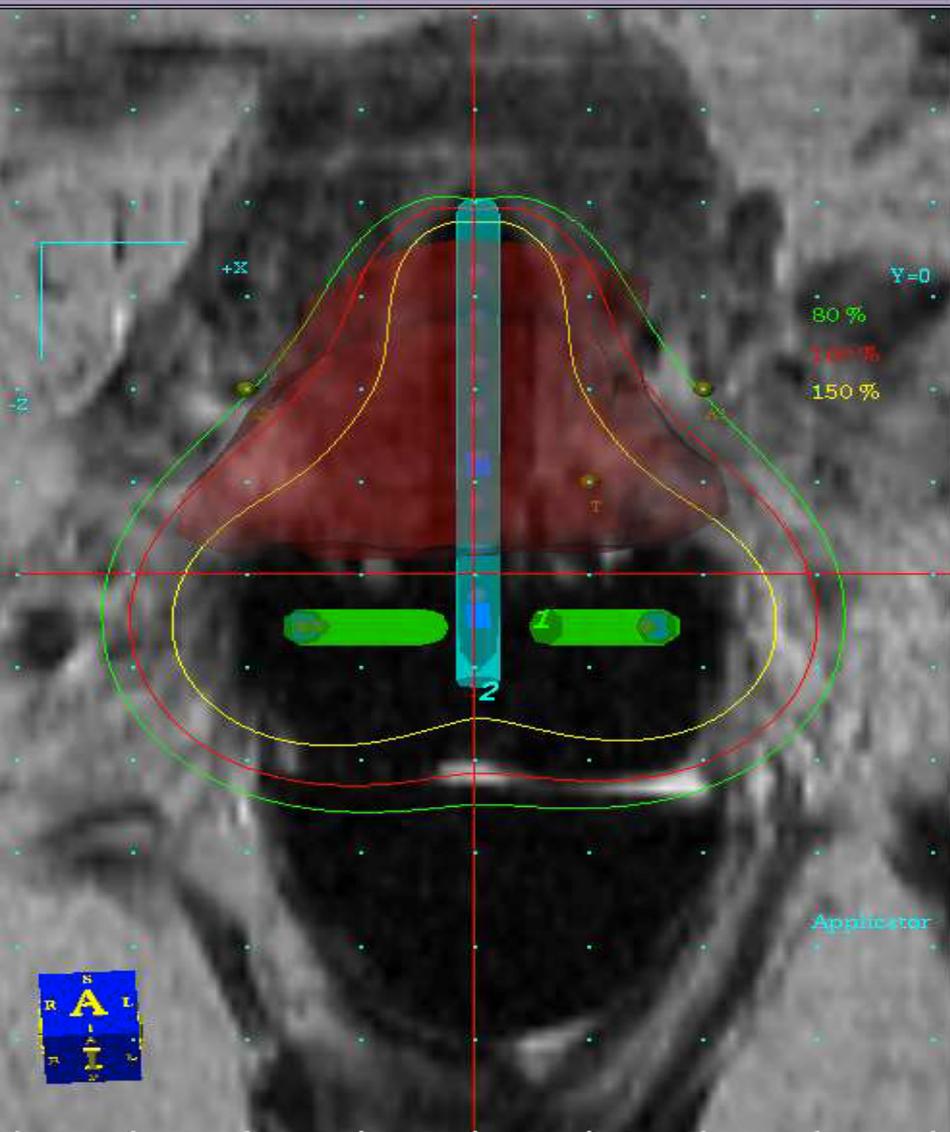
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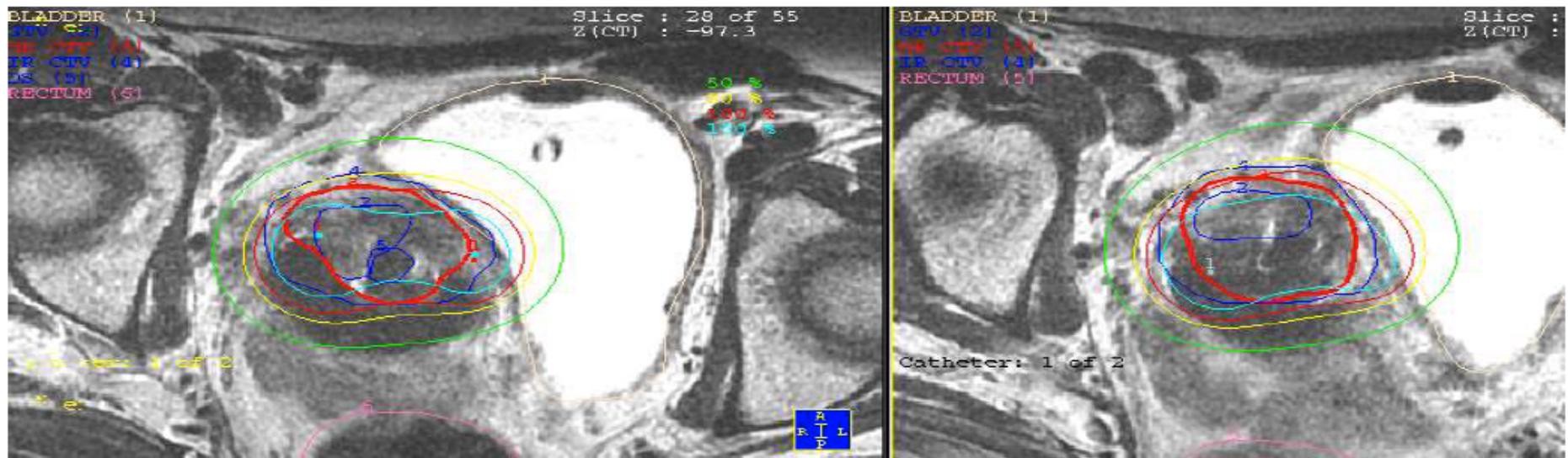
Point A Resides in Critical Organ (MR IMAGE)



Point A Resides in Critical Organ (MR IMAGE)



Asymmetrical Dwell Positions in Ring Applicator (Axial Slices in MR Image)



Clinical Gain

- Reduce dose to critical organs specifically sigmoid which is not accounted in 2D planning
- Help reduce risk of sigmoid stricture and ulceration

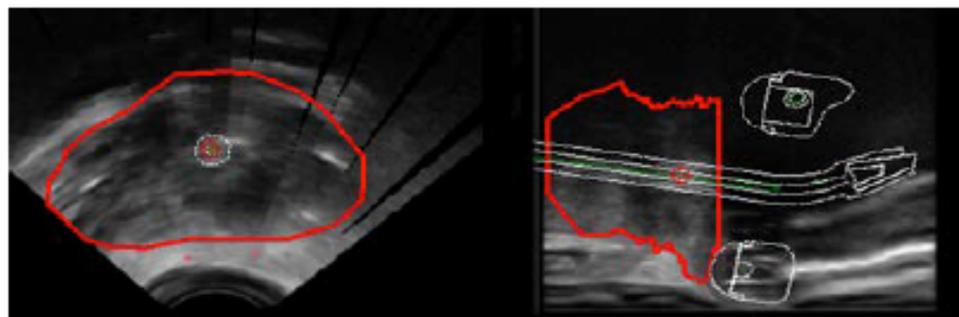


Clinical Gain

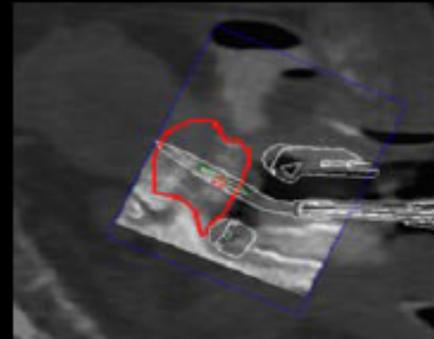
- For large tumor (20-25% of patients)
- Improve coverage of target volume by increasing weight, dwell position or extra needles
- Improve tumor control without increasing risk of toxicities



Imaging technology development integrating US, CT (and MRI) for CTV_{HR} contouring

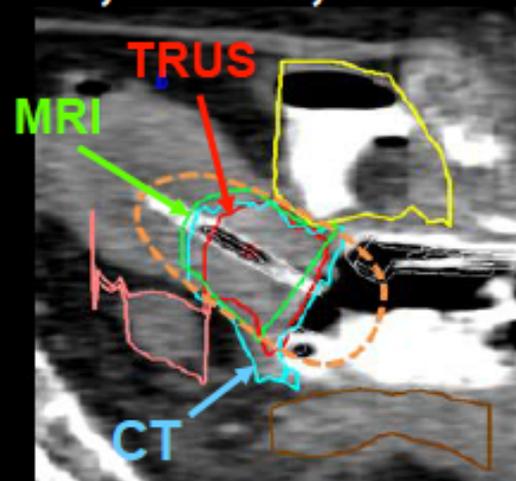
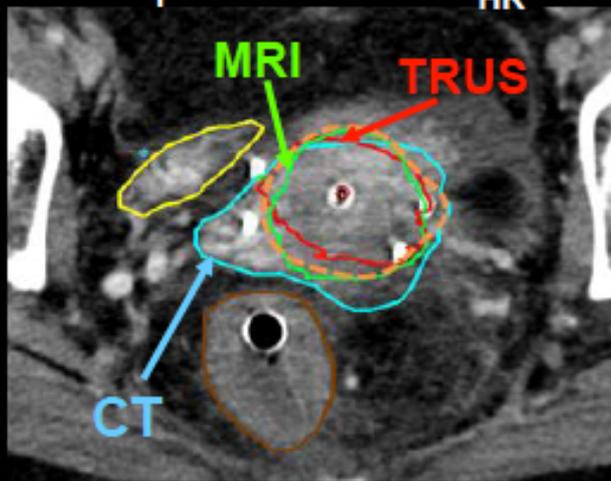


TRUS: target delineation,
applicator reconstruction

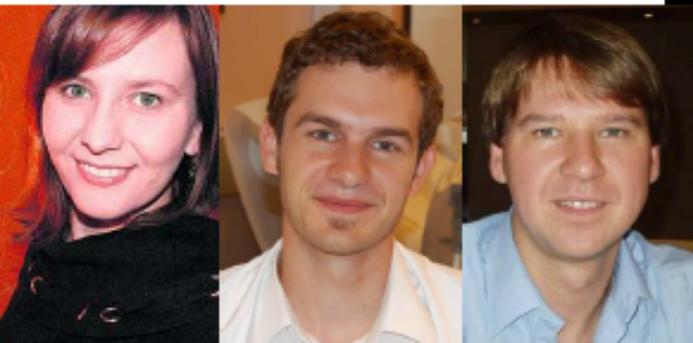


TRUS/CT
registration via
applicator +
target transfer to CT

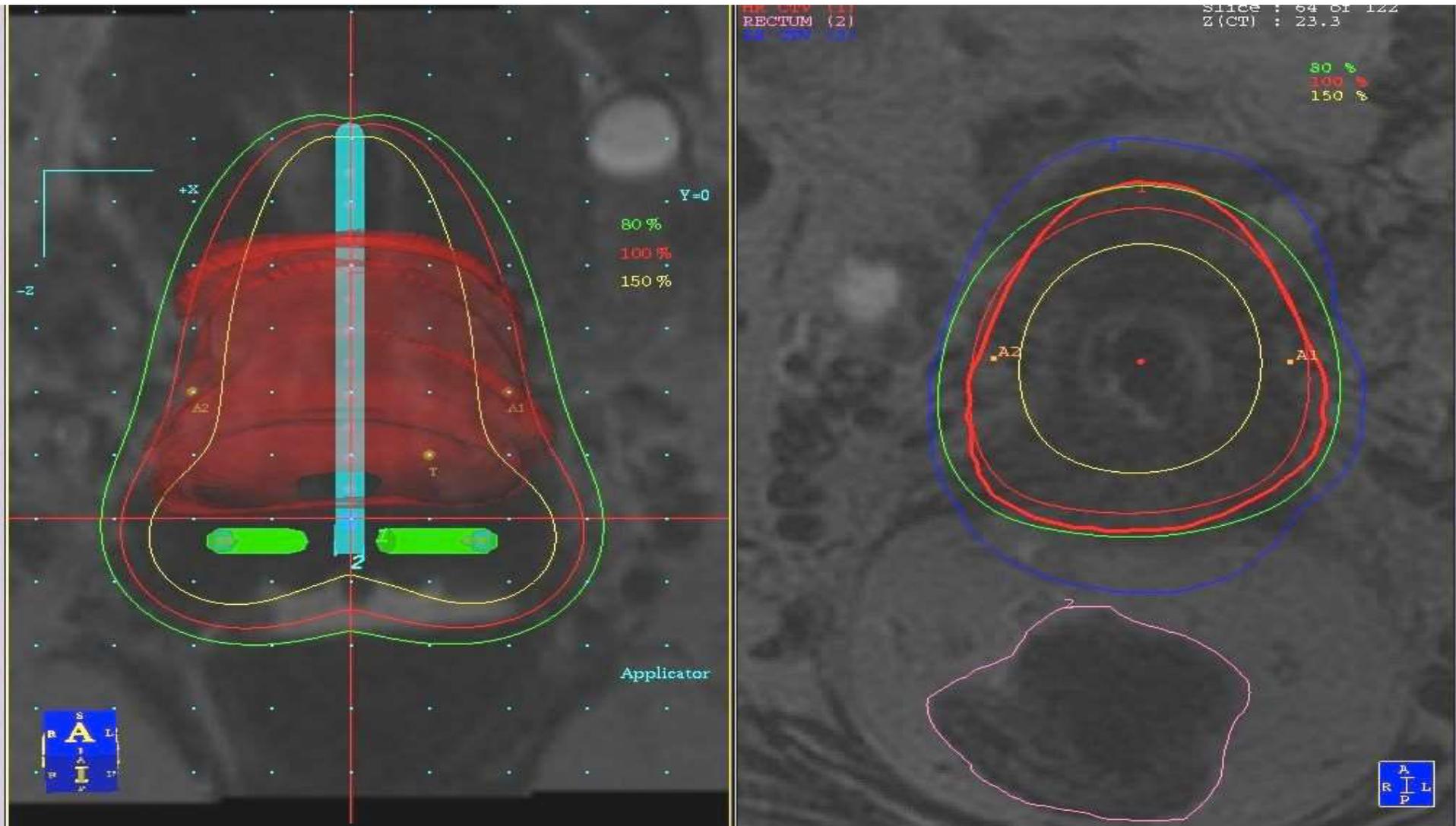
comparison of CTV_{HR} from **MRI, TRUS, CT**



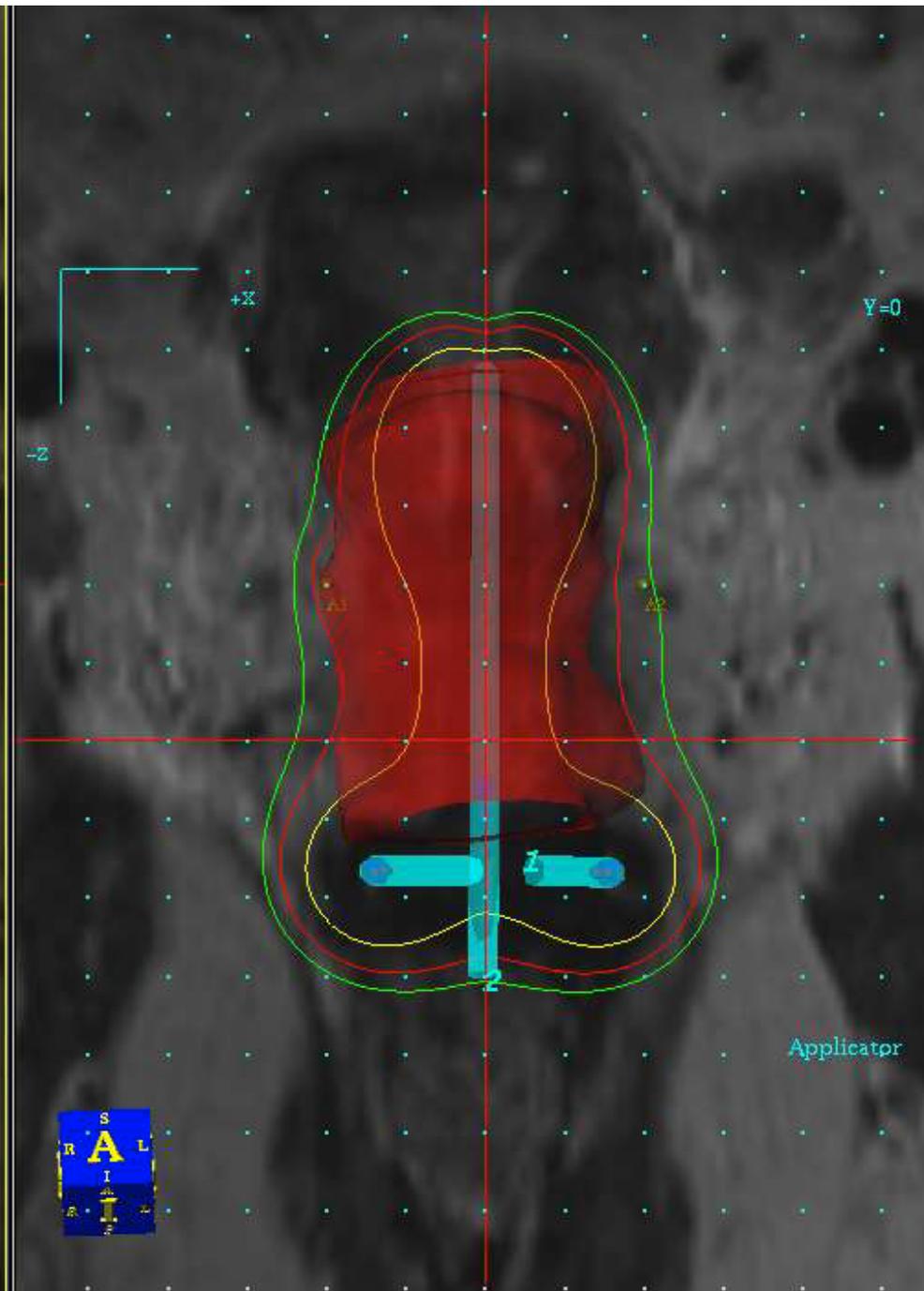
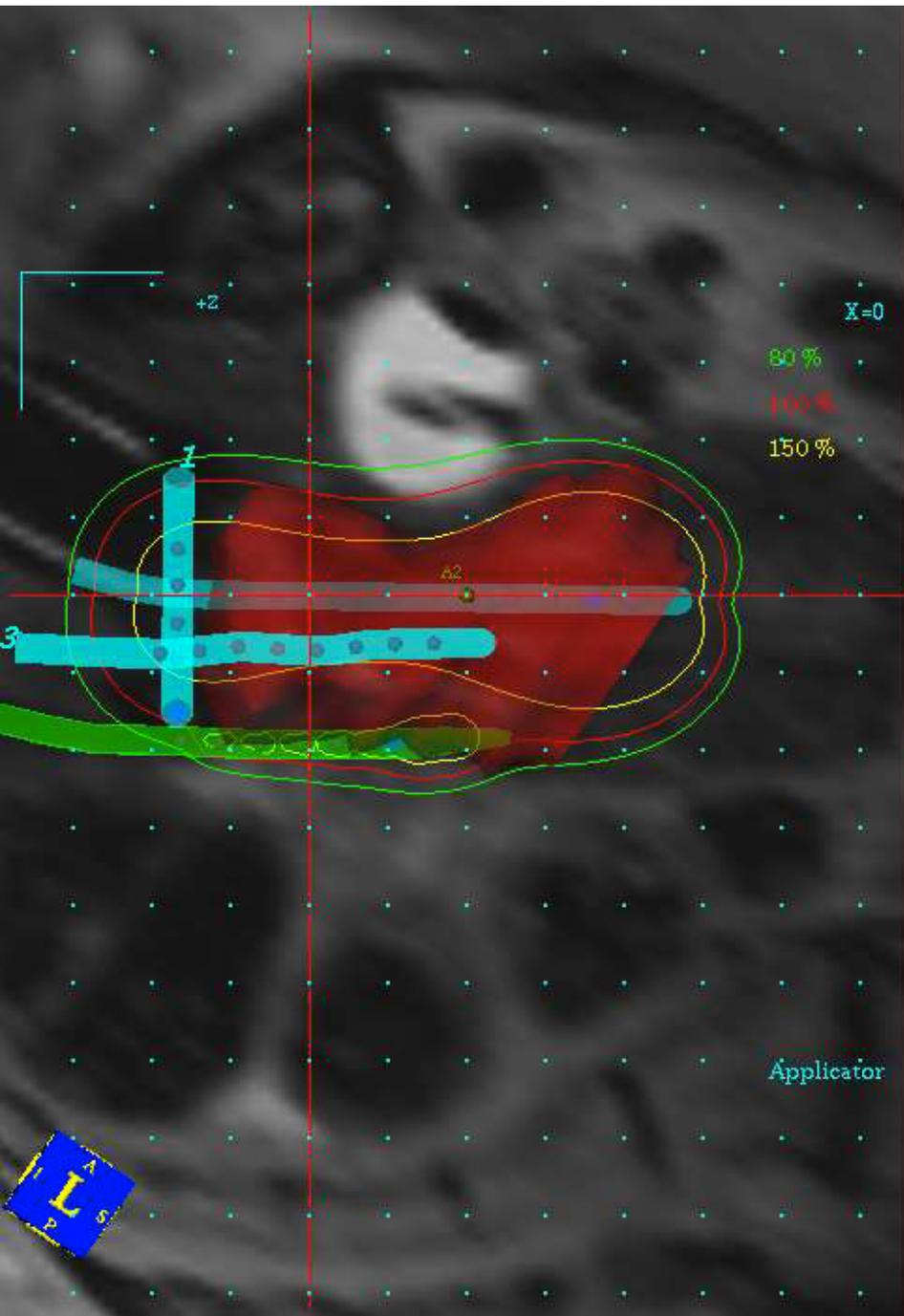
Vienna Group, work in progress:
N Nesvacil, M Schmid, C Kirisits



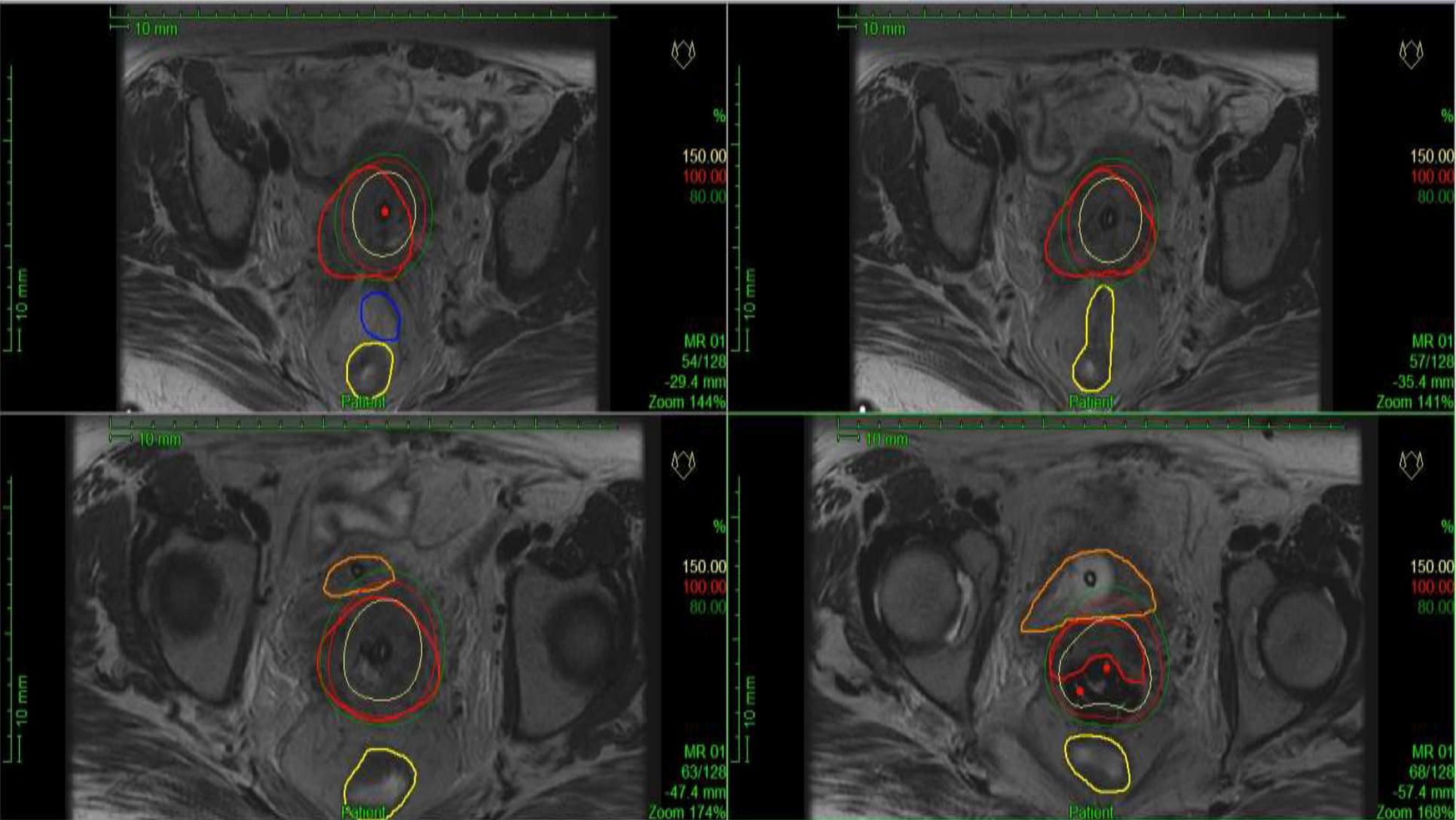
Point A Located Inside Target/Higher Dose than Prescription Dose



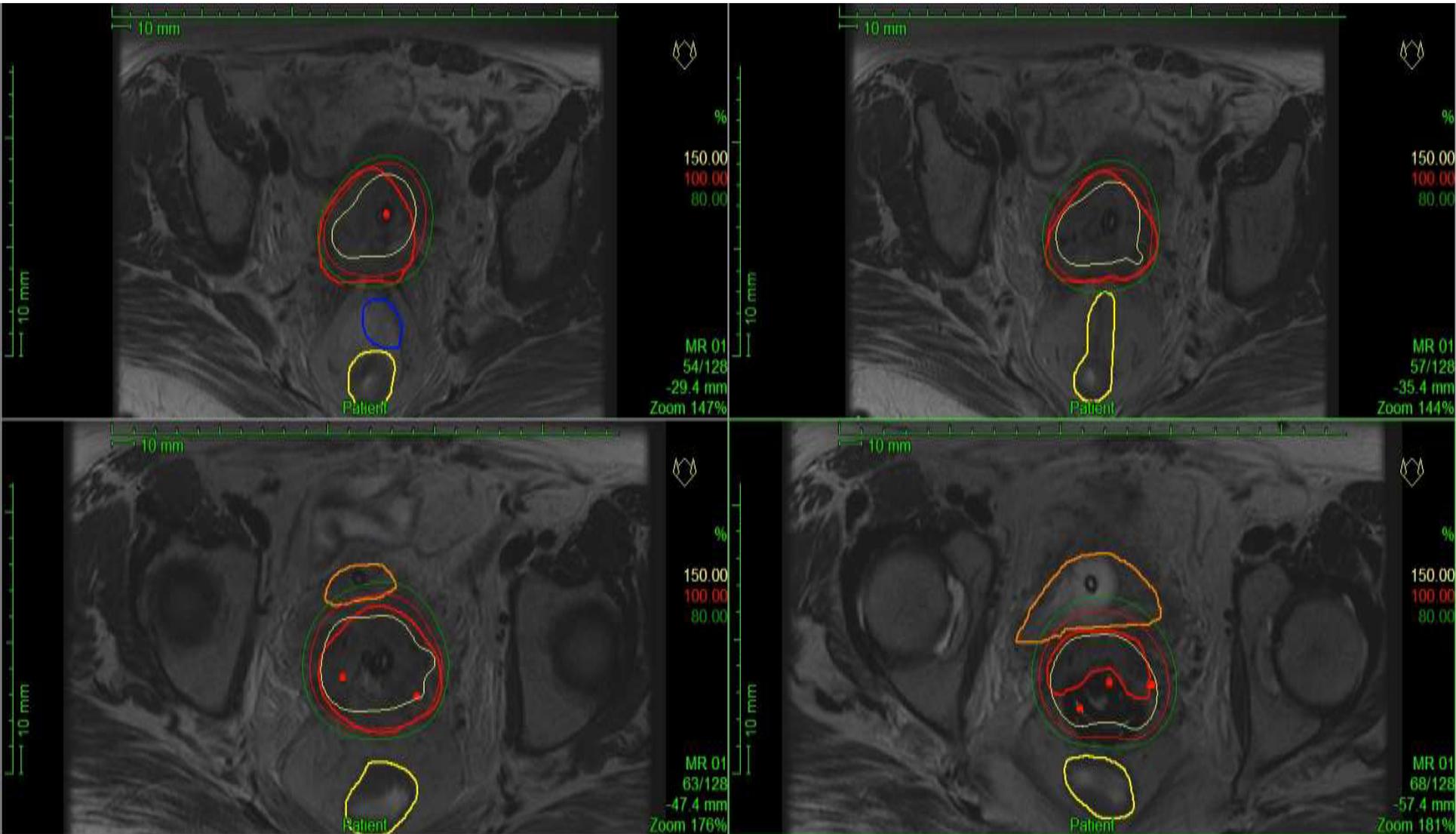


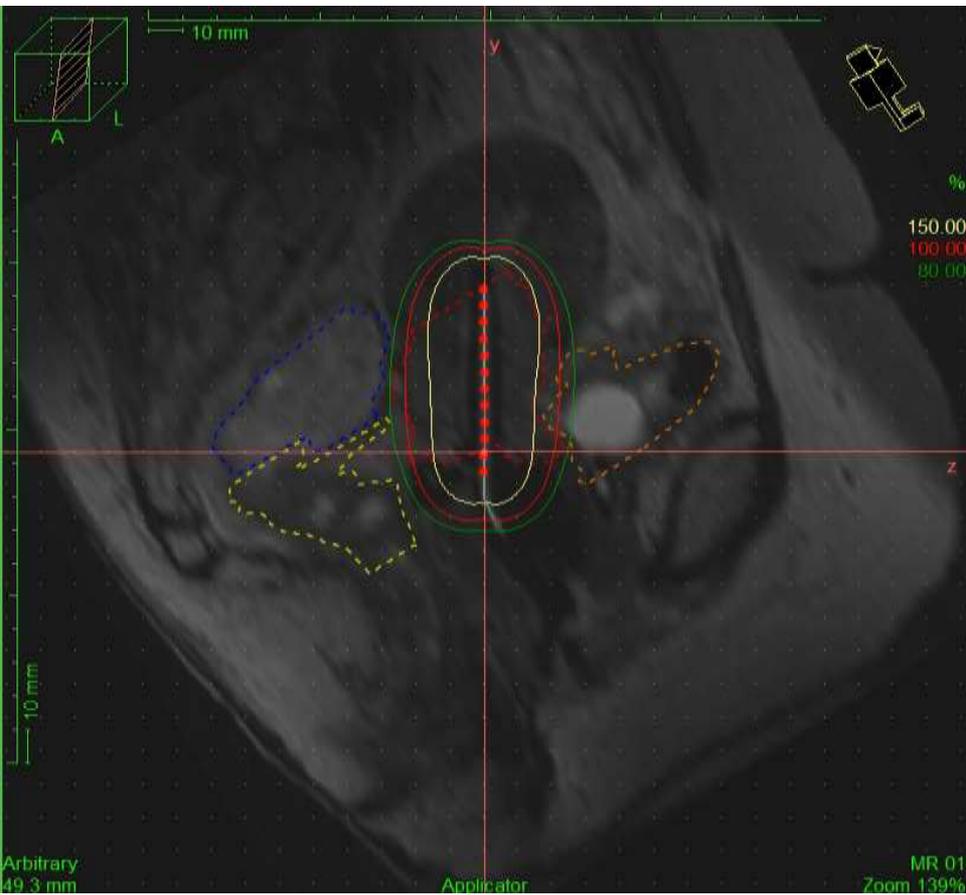


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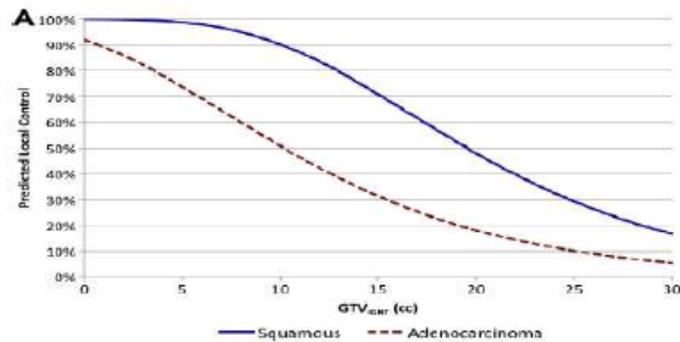
With hybrid applicator





Questions

- Does the improved coverage afforded by IC/IS in poor responders over come bad biology and improve tumor control outcomes?



- **Beriwal et al *Rad Oncol* 2015;115:78-83**
 - GTV volume by MRI at the time of brachytherapy is a strong predictor of LC, DFS, and OS despite no difference in mean HRCTV D90.

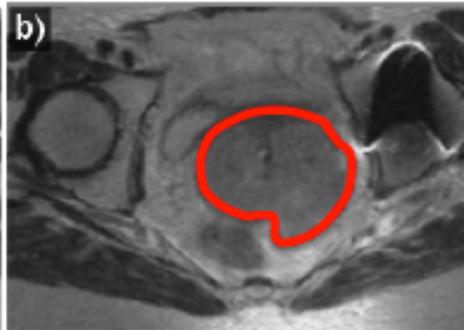
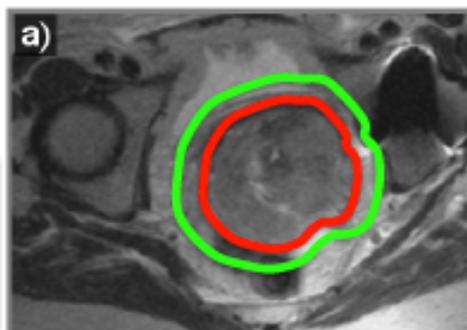
Example: cervical cancer: total dose 90 Gy EQD2

EBRT dose

0 Gy



Initial GTV
Volume 75 ccm

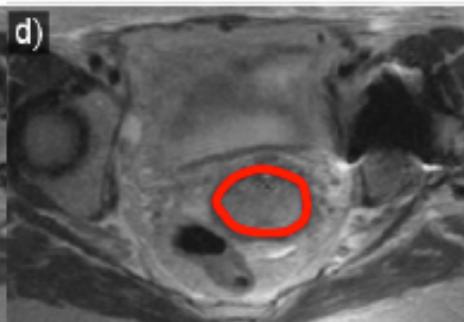
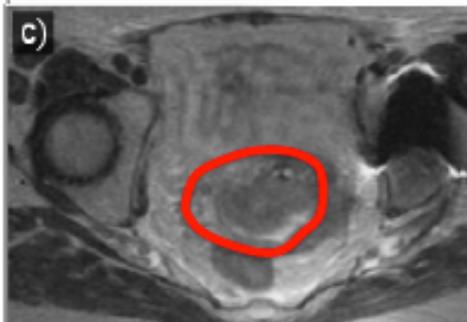


EBRT dose

9 Gy



Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x1



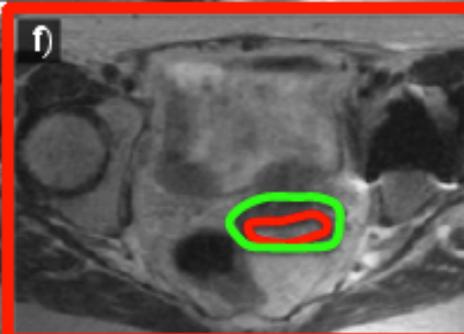
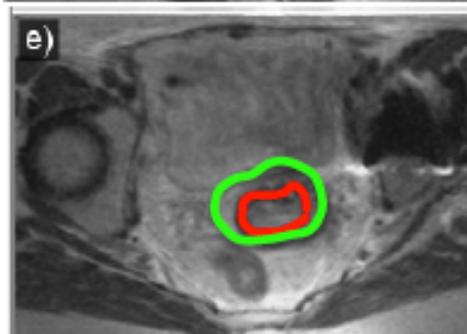
27 Gy

Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x3

36 Gy



Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x4



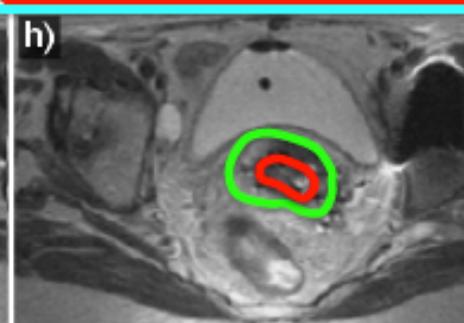
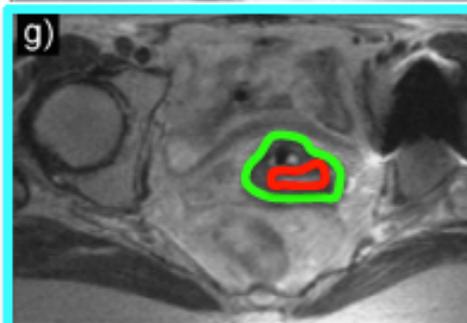
45 Gy

Pre-brachytherapy
Residual GTV: 8 ccm

EBRT45 Gy



Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x5



IGABT 45 Gy

Brachytherapy
HR CTV 30 ccm

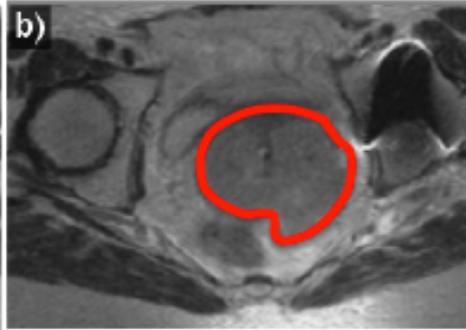
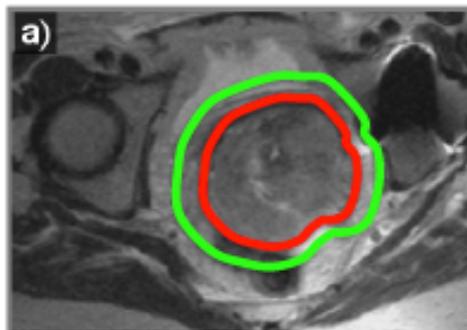
— GTV
— CTV

modified from
ICRU 89, 2016

Example: cervical cancer, FIGO IIIB (mod. From ICRU report 89, 2016, Fig. 4.3)

EBRT dose

0 Gy →

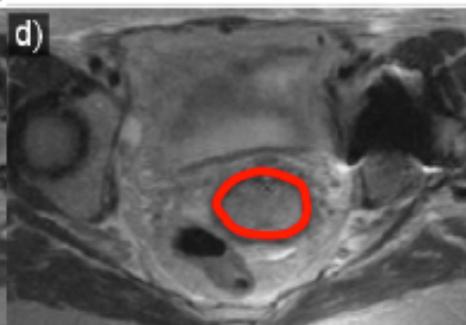


EBRT dose

← 9 Gy
Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x1

18 Gy →

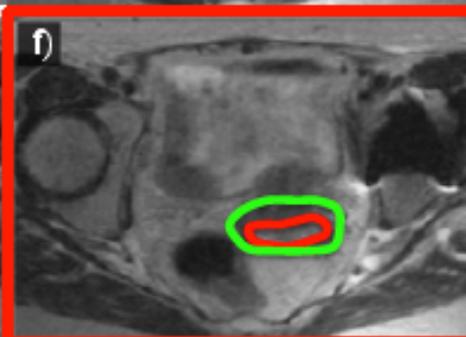
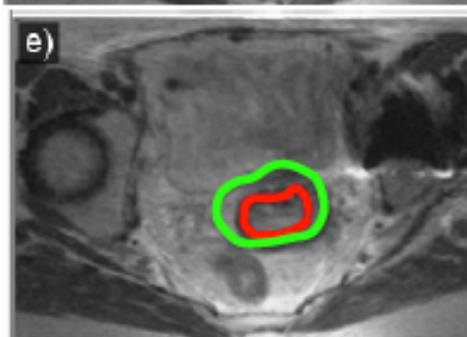
Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x2



← 27 Gy
Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x3

36 Gy →

Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x4

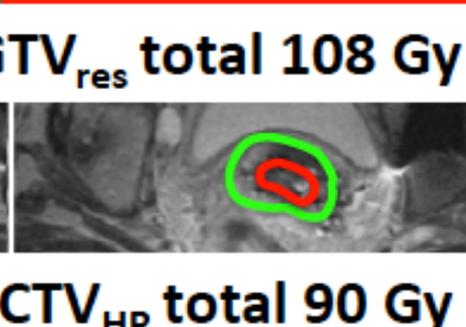
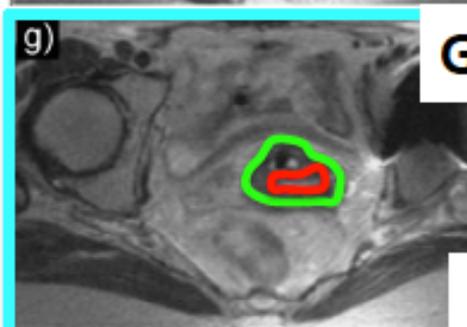


← 45 Gy

Pre-brachytherapy

45 Gy →

Cisplatin (40 mg/m²) x5



← + 45 Gy

Brachytherapy

GTV_{res} total 108 Gy

CTV_{HR} total 90 Gy

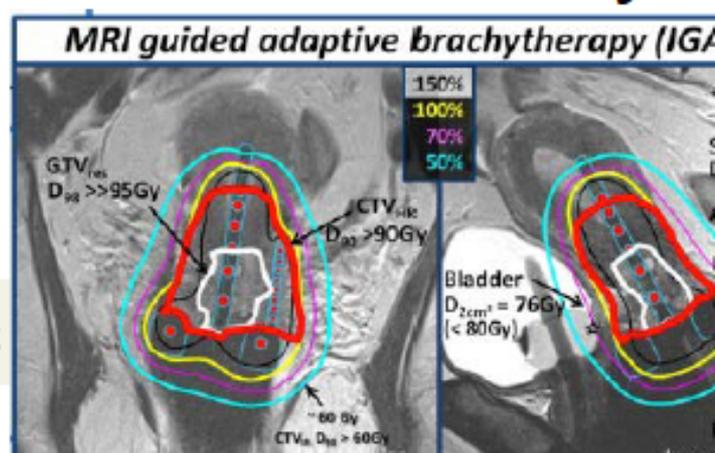
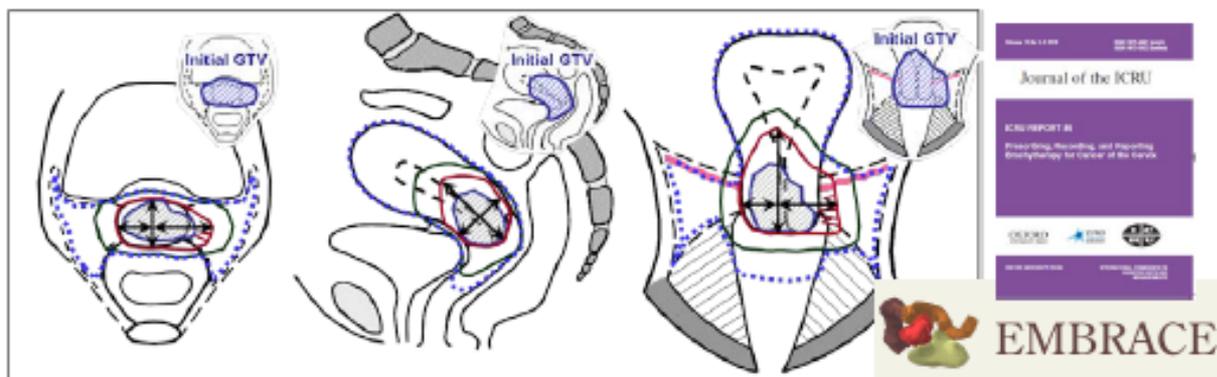
— GTV initial and residual
— CTV initial and adaptive

Dose prescription according to risk

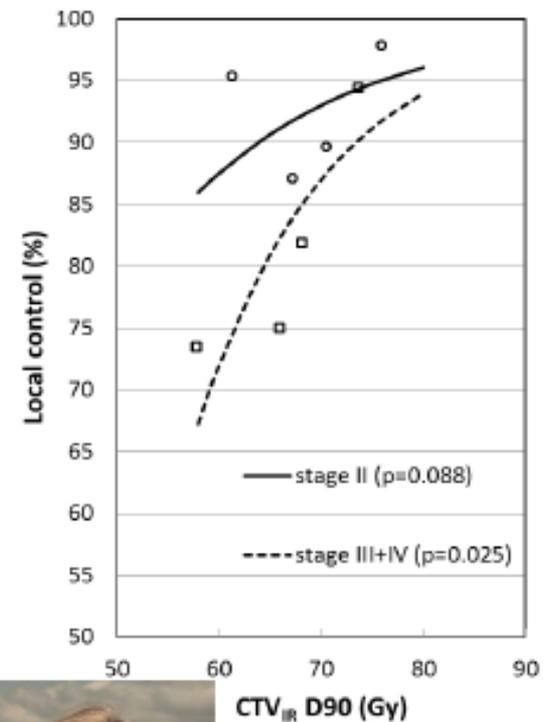
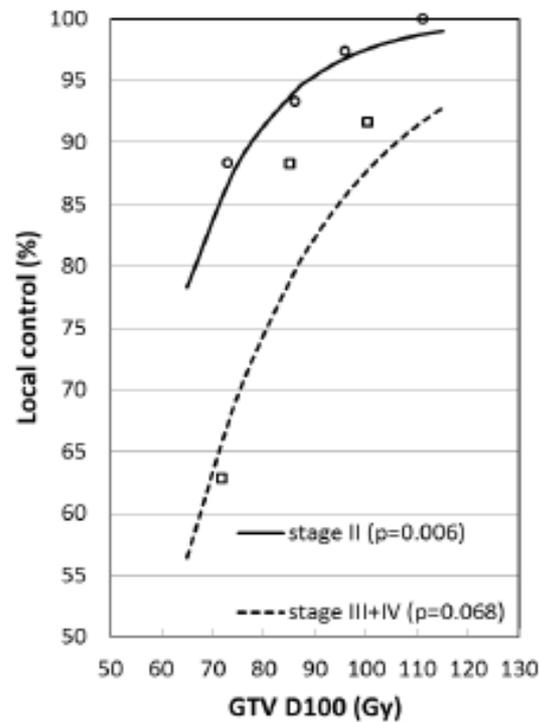
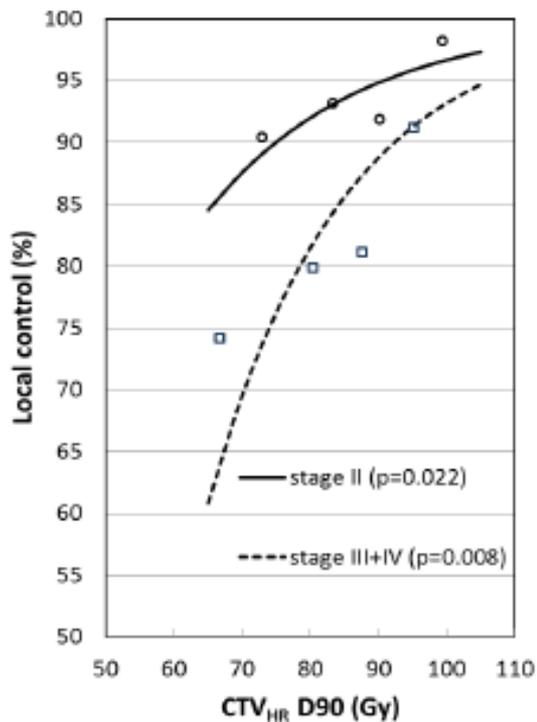
large variations in initial/adaptive volumes and doses
(EMBRACE studies (06/2017)) (n=1416 pats.)

EQD2

<i>Initial CTV-T_{LR}</i>	\emptyset 230 cm ³	\approx 50-60 Gy
<i>Initial GTV-T</i>	\emptyset 55 cm ³	\approx 70-90 Gy
<i>Adaptive CTV-T_{IR}</i>	\emptyset 78 cm ³	D90 med. 70 Gy
<i>Adaptive CTV-T_{HR}</i>	\emptyset 33 cm ³	D90 med. 89 Gy
<i>Residual GTV</i>	\emptyset 9 cm ³	D98 med. 102 Gy

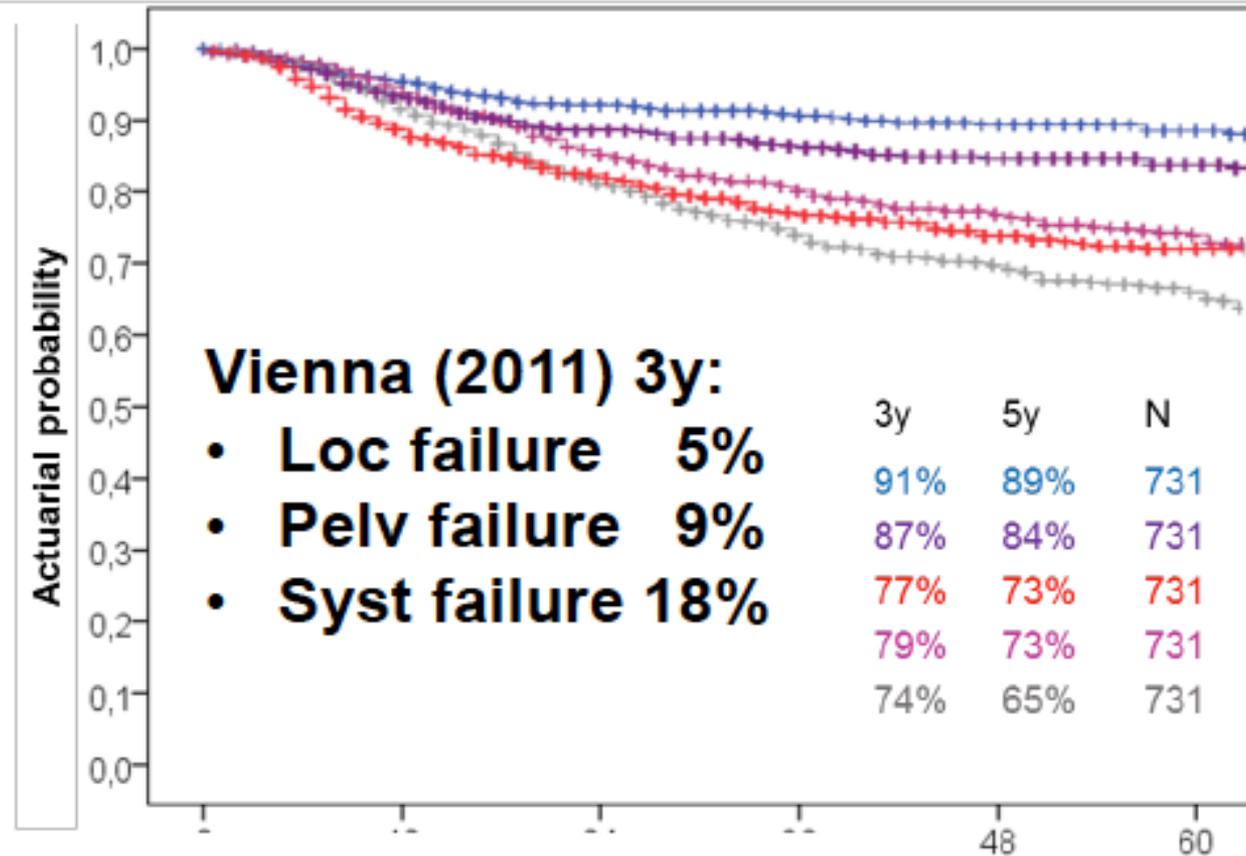


Dose effect for CTV_{HR} , GTV_{res} and CTV_{IR}





Local, pelvic and distant control, cancer specific and overall survival



RETRO EMBRACE

- **731 patients**
- **12 institutions**
- **Loc fail 9-11%**
- **Pelv fail 13-16%**
- **Syst fail 23-27%**

Vienna: mean D90 HR CTV 92 Gy

Mean D90 HR CTV 84 Gy

LC	731	603	491	384	294	187
PC	731	603	491	384	294	187
DC	731	603	491	384	294	187
CSS	731	651	537	429	332	220
OS	731	651	537	429	332	220

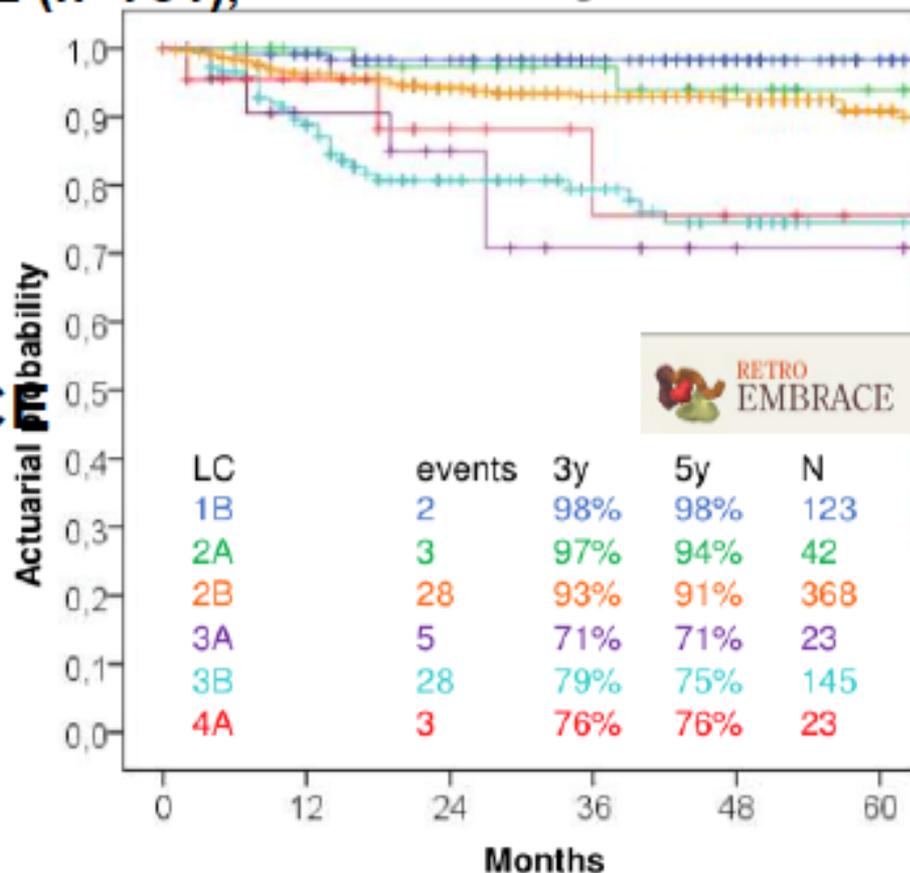


Clinical Results for adaptive RT/BT

Local control and FIGO stage

RetroEMBRACE (n=731),

Vienna (n=158)



**Local failure
RetroEMBRACE**

**Local failure
Vienna (2011)**

3y

3y

Total: 9%

Total: 5%

IB 2%*

IB 0%

IIB 7%

IIB 4%

IIIB 21%

IIIB 14%

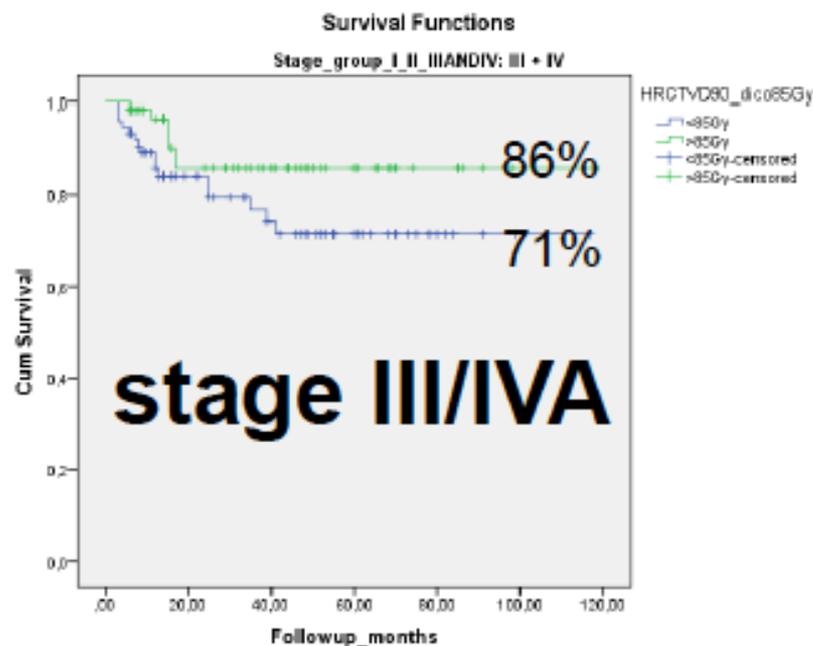
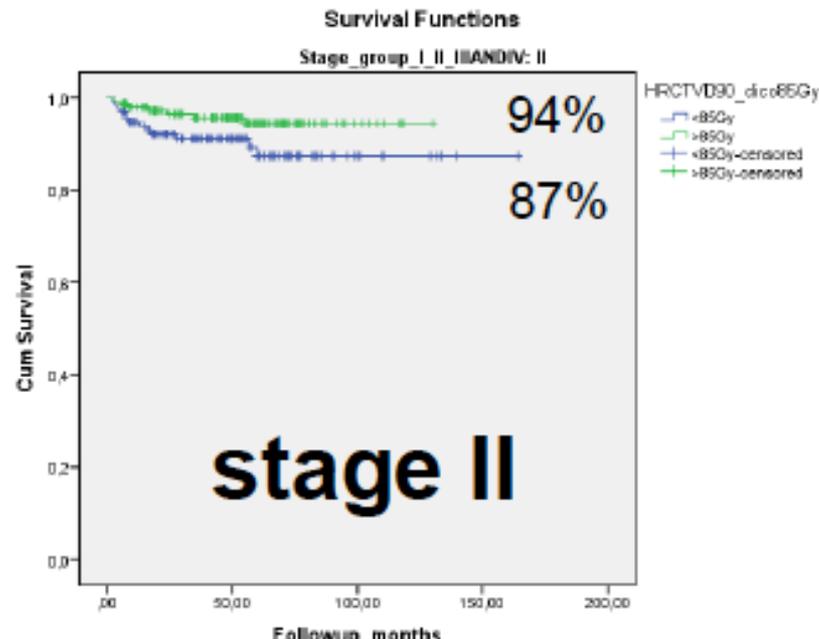
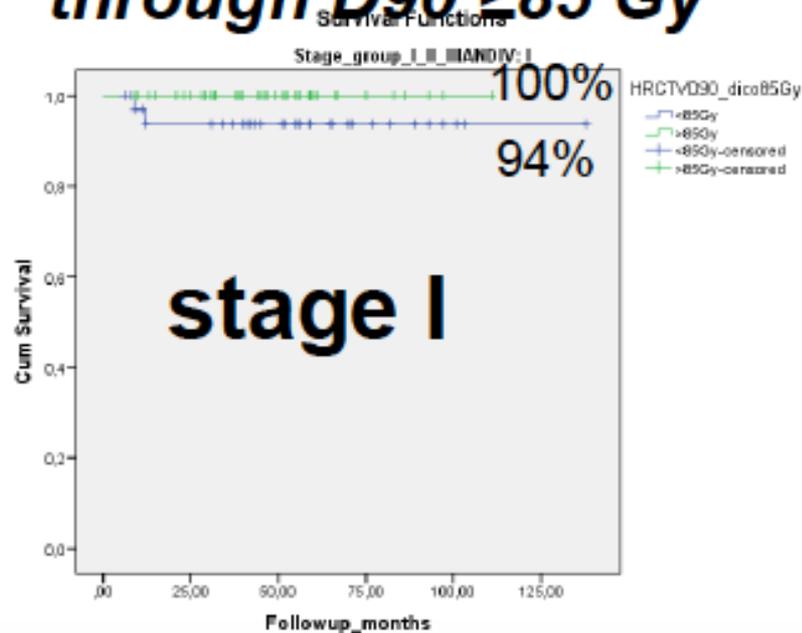
IVA 24%

IVA 2/6 (n)

*2 events in IB2

Improving Local Control

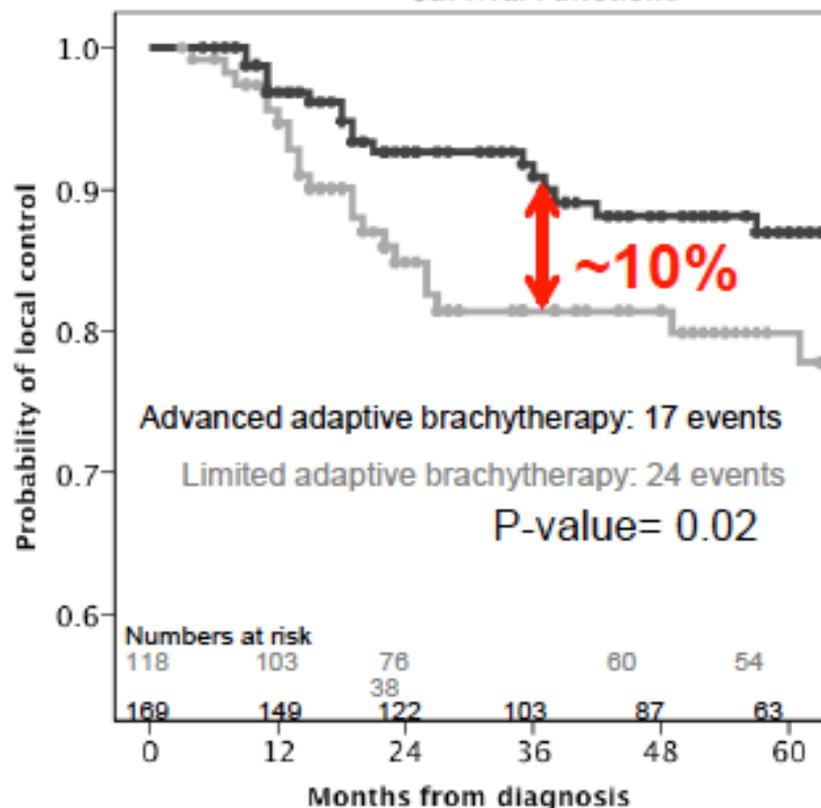
EMBRACE (as of 12/2013)
large variation in D90
versus:
expected **EMBRACE II**
through $D90 \geq 85$ Gy



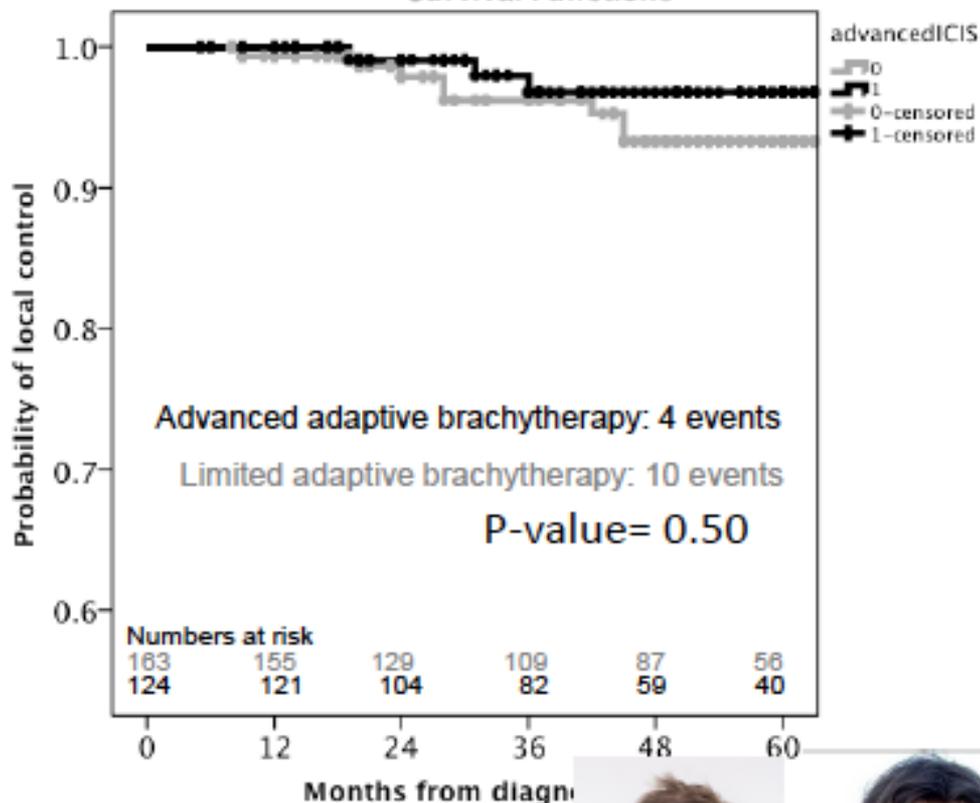
Improved local control with IC/IS in large tumours (retroEMBRACE)

Large tumours ($\geq 30 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ CTV}_{\text{HR}}$) Small tumours ($< 30 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ CTV}_{\text{HR}}$)

Survival Functions



Survival Functions



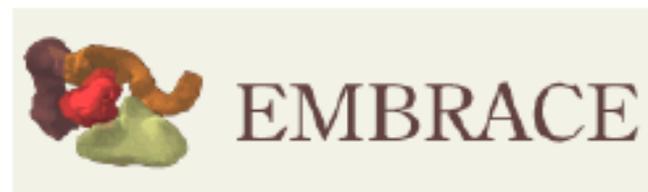
advancedICIS
0
1
0-censored
1-censored



Clinical evidence: Overall local outcome

EMBRACE cohort (n=1230)

- **24 incomplete remissions (IR)** (98% complete remission rate)
(72 incomplete remissions (IR) at 3 months, 48 resolved at 6-9 months)
- **56 local recurrences (LR)** (at median 25 months FUP)
 - Median time to local recurrence: 11.5 months
(86% of local recurrences occurred within 24 months)
- **80 local failures (IR+LR) (6.5%)**
 - 42 (52%) synchronous nodal or distant failures



M. Schmid ESTRO 2017

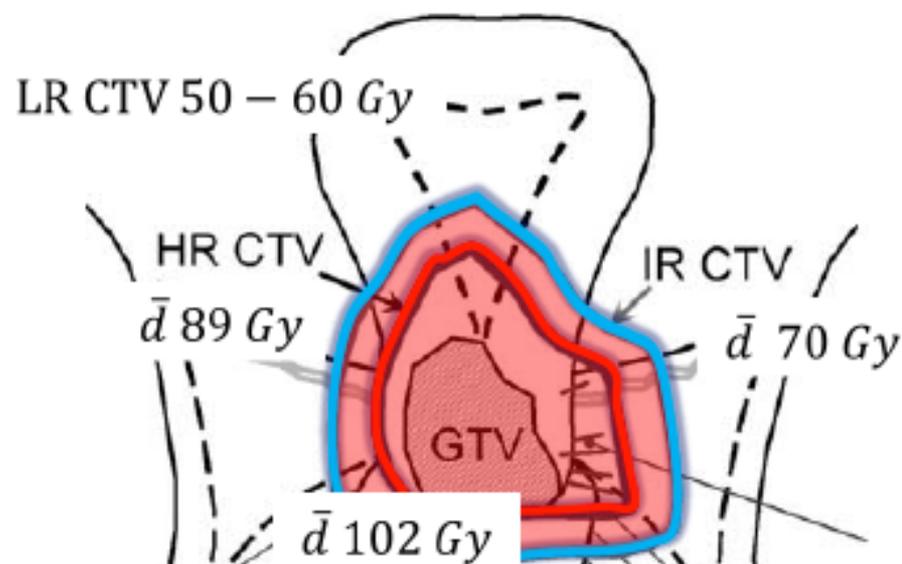
Local failures

in regard to boost brachytherapy target volumes

data available in 53/80 patients (66%)



EMBRACE



Inside HRCTV: 51% (n=27 (+16))

Inside IRCTV: 17% (n=9)

Inside HR & IRCTV: 30% (n=16)

Not related: 2% (n=1)

Failure pattern provides prospective clinical validation of adaptive target concept For locally advanced cervix cancer applying BT boost (one major aim of the EMBRACE study)

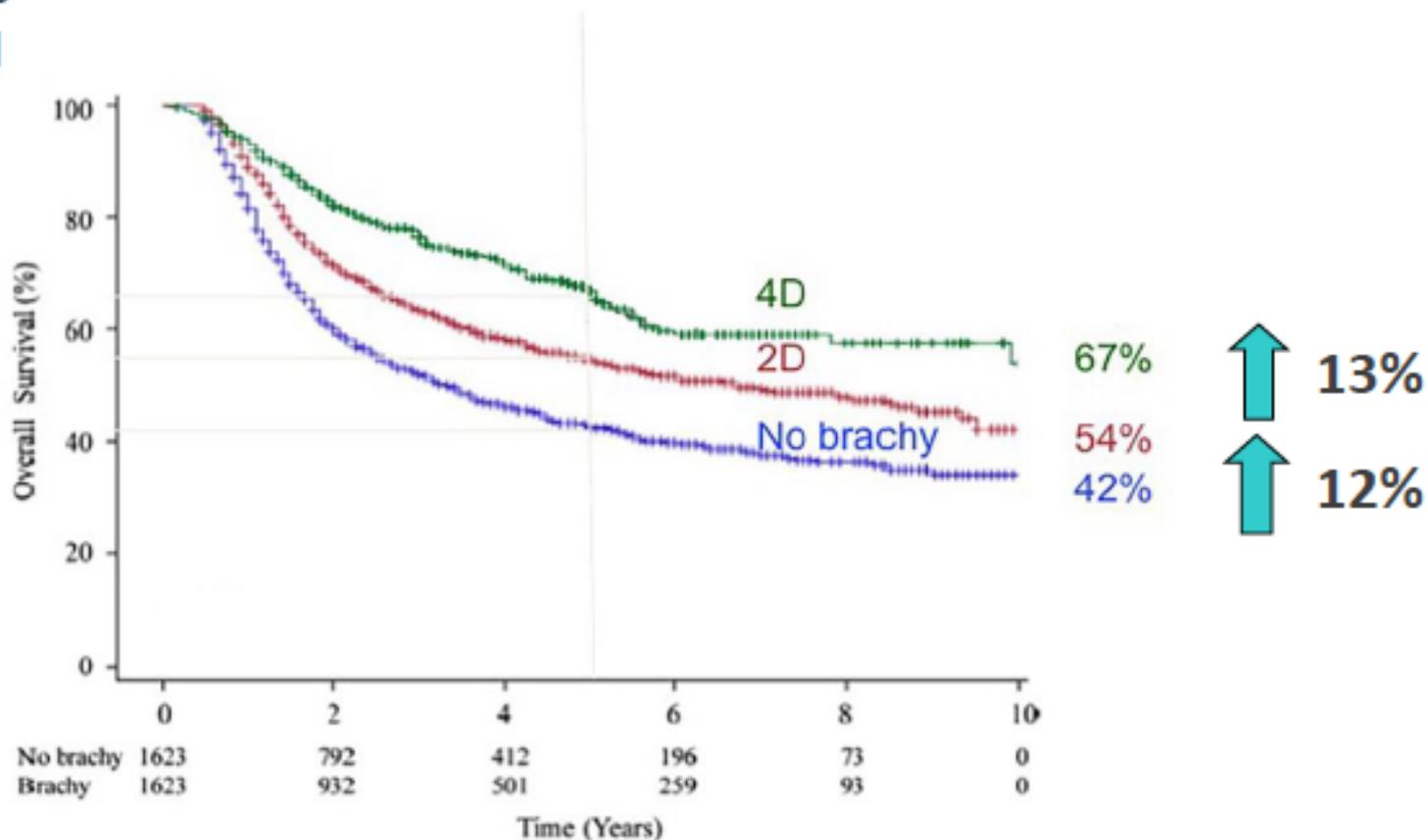
Overall Survival locally advanced cervical cancer: the impact of brachytherapy

Total 25% increase in Overall Survival

with „4D brachy“ (RetroEMBRACE)

compared to

„no brachy“ (Han et al)



Dosimetría a OARs y Resultados



Discrepancias entre las dosis a vejiga y recto

	Orthogonal film based vs	CT based
Ling et al	Bladder	1.0 - 4.1x
	Rectum	1.4 - 2.5x
Schoepfel et al	Bladder	2.1 - 2.3x
	Rectum	1.3 - 1.6x
Stueckelschweiger et al	Bladder	1.0 - 2.2x
	Rectum	1.1 - 1.6x
Kapp et al	Bladder	1.0 - 5.4x
	Rectum	1.1 - 2.7x

Correlación de hallazgos Endoscópicos y Dosimetría

	2cc	1cc	.1cc
Koom <i>et al</i> VRS ≥ 3	75Gy vs. 69 Gy	80 Gy vs. 73 Gy	90 Gy vs. 85 Gy
Georg <i>et al</i> VRS ≥ 3	72Gy vs. 62 Gy	76 Gy vs. 65 Gy	88 Gy vs. 75 Gy
Georg <i>et al</i> Symptomatic	72 Gy vs. 64 Gy	76 Gy vs. 67 Gy	88 Gy vs. 77 Gy

Results on morbidity, PRO, QoL DVH based predictive dose factors

- **Rectum** proctitis, bleeding (G1-2), fistula rare
- **Bowel** diarrhea, flatulence (G1-2), anal incontinence (low), stenosis and fistula rare
- **Bladder** frequency/urgency, incontinence (G1-2), cystitis, bleeding, fistula, ureter strict. (low)
- **Vagina (G \leq 2)** stenosis/shorten, dryness, bleeding, mucos.

**PRO shows significantly more burden
from G2 symptoms for patients**

- Descriptive and analytical evaluations

Work in progress, much to learn in near future (EMBRACE)

Max. incidence bladder morbidity

1176 patients with CTC-assessment

	Frequency	Incontinence	Spasm	Bladder stenosis	Ureter Stenose [^]	Cystitis	Bleeding	Fistula* (N=1093)
G0	470 (40.0%)	784 (66.7%)	1081 (91.9%)	1166 (99.1%)	1125 (95.7%)	958 (81.5%)	1098 (93.4%)	1083 (99.1%)
G1	470 (40.0%)	267 (22.7%)	75 (6.4%)	7 (0.6%)	15 (1.3%)	132 (11.2%)	55 (4.7%)	3 (0.3%)
G2	123 (10.4%)	106 (9.0%)	19 (1.6%)	3 (0.3%)	12 (1.0%)	75 (6.4%)	19 (1.6%)	< 10%
G3	14 (1.2%)	14 (1.2%)	1 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	17 (1.4%)	10 (0.9%)	4 (0.3%)	< 5%
G4		5 (0.4%)	0 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	2 (0.2%)	1 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	3 (0.3%)

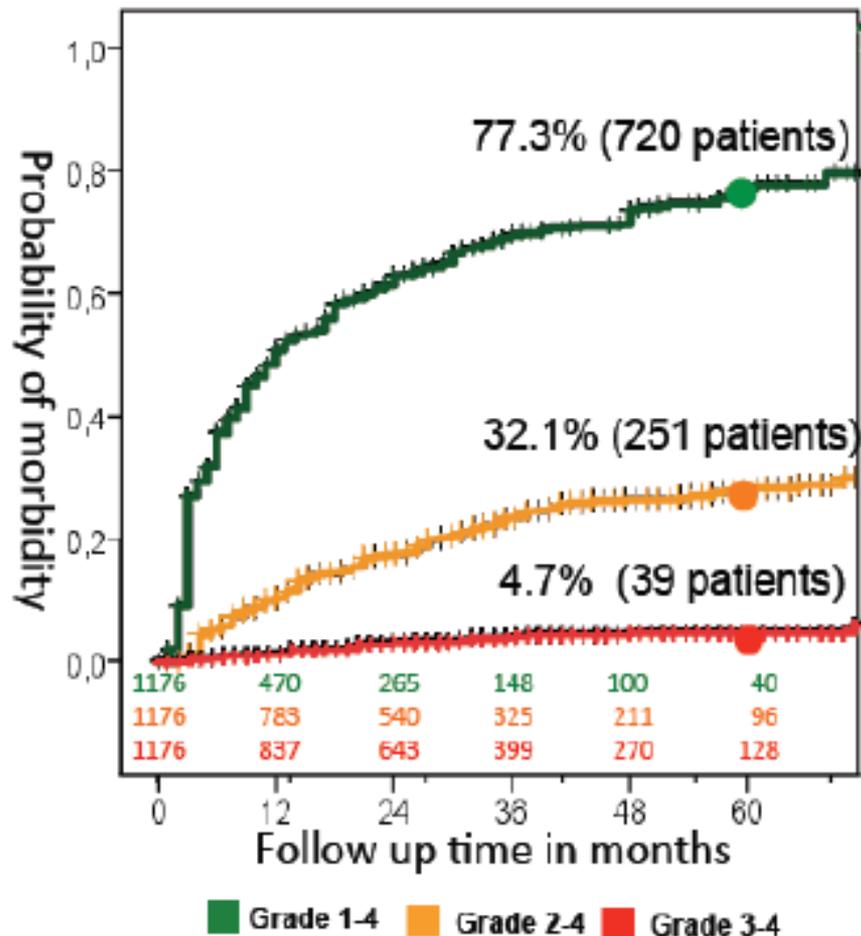
* Total of 17 fistulas were diagnosed. 7 patients had tumor involvement of the bladder at time of diagnosis and were excluded

[^] 5 patients were censored due to ureter stricture G3 that persisted from baseline

All bladder morbidity

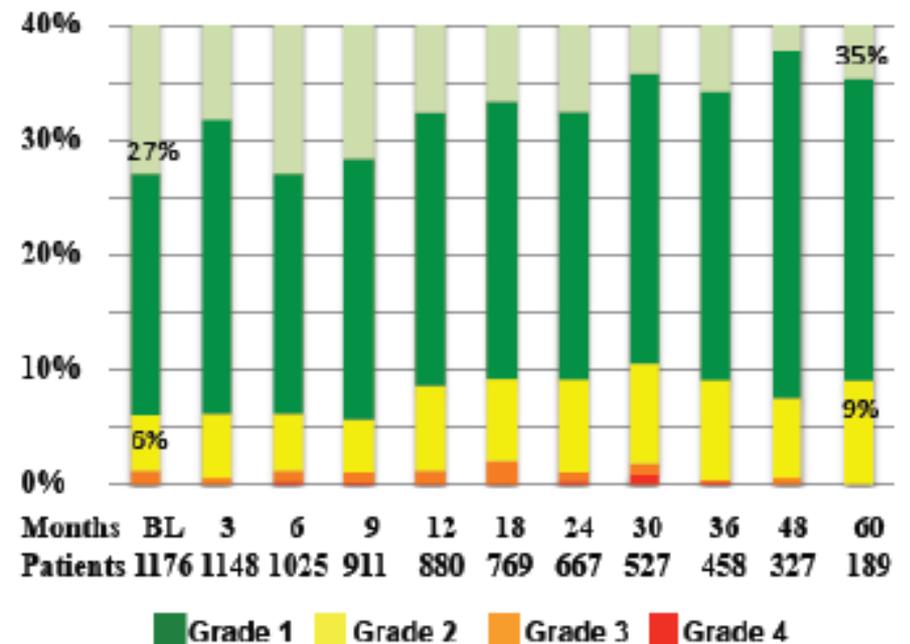
All single CTCae endpoints grouped together

Kaplan-Meier estimates



Prevalence rates at follow up

All bladder morbidity ($p < 0.001$)



Conclusions

- **Low actuarial 5-year grade 3-4 morbidity**
 - All bladder symptoms 4.7%
 - Frequency/incontinence 1.9%/2.1%
 - Fistula 0.7%
 - Bleeding 0.6%
 - Ureteral stricture 3.4%
- **Maximal prevalence rates of mild and moderate physician assessed morbidity**
 - Urinary frequency G1/G2: 25.6%/4.8%
 - Incontinence G1/G2: 19.4%/5.8%
 - Cystitis G1/G2: 8.4%/4.0%
- **The burden of morbidity is weighted different by physicians and patients**
- **PRO is necessary for the evaluation of morbidity in future studies**

Overview Rectum (CTCAE)

	Proctitis		Bleeding		Stenosis		Fistula		ALL	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Grade 0	782	81.5	805	83.8	949	98.9	951	99.1	694	72.3
Grade 1	135	14.1	114	12.0	5	0.5	0	0	193	20.1
Grade 2	39	4.1	31	3.2	6	0.6	5	0.5	58	6.0
Grade 3	4	0.4	10	1.0	0	0	3	0.3	14	1.6
Grade 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1	1	0.1

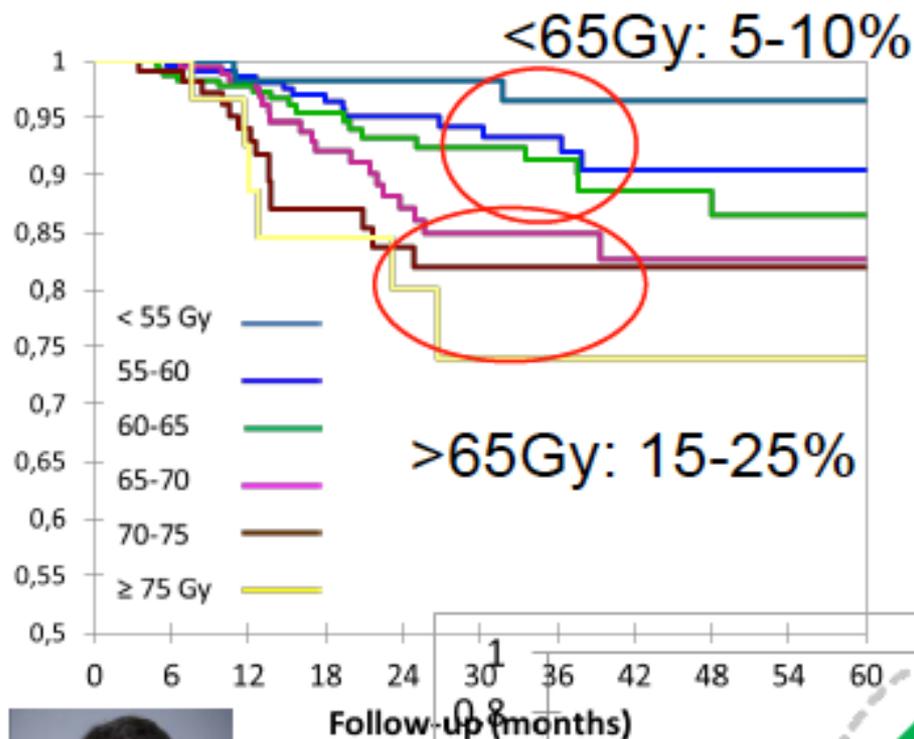
Median Follow-up: 25.4 months

Times to onset
From 1st fraction

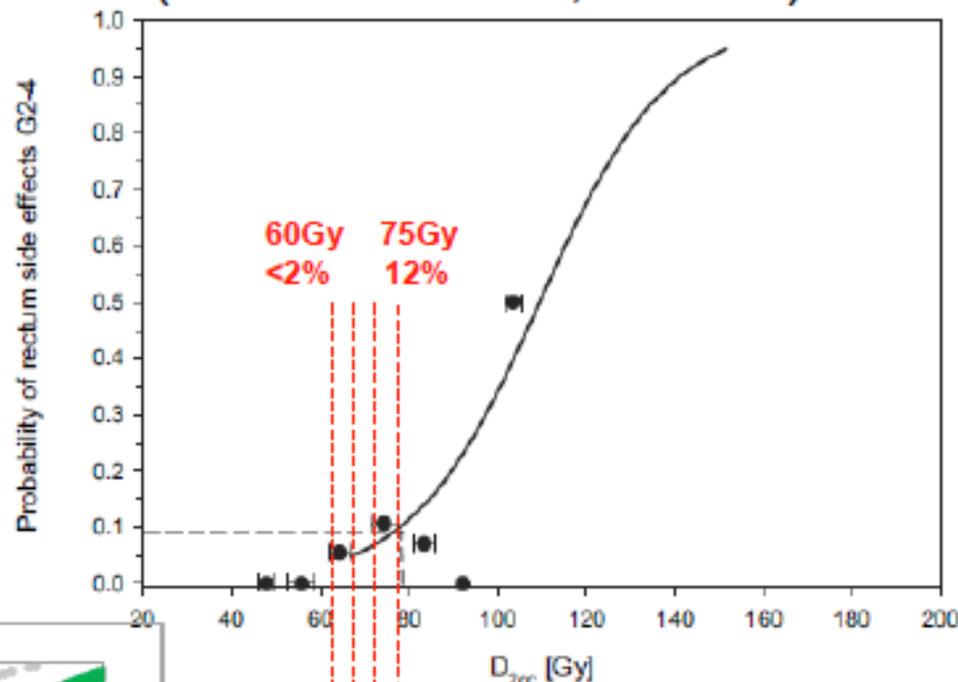
Grade 1-4	16.8+/-12.7
Grade 2-4	17.5+/-9.5
Grade 3-4	15.8+/-5.3

Rectal dose volume effects

≥G2 rectal morbidity
(EMBRACE cohort, n=960)



≥G2 rectal morbidity (bleeding)
(Vienna cohort, n=145)

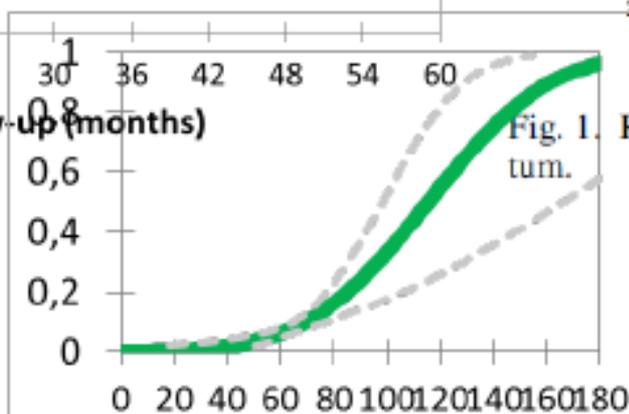


Relationship between D_{2cc} and late side effects in the rec-

P. Georg et al.,
IJROBP 2011



Mazon et al.,
RO 2016



Summary of large studies

Institution/Country	n=	Imaging modality	Interstitial	Median follow-up (months)	Local control	Overall survival	Late grade 3+ GU/GI toxicity
Australia	292*	Ultrasound + MRI	0%	49.2	88% (crude)	5-year 65%	5.8% (crude)
Vienna	156	MRI	44%	42	3-year 95%	3-year 68%	2-4%
Pittsburgh	128	CT + MRI	7%	24	3-year 92%	3-year 77%	3.3%
French STIC Trial	117	CT or MRI	0	24	2-year 79%	2-year 74%	1.2%
Warsaw	216	CT	40%	47	5 years 90%	5 yrs 66.4%	9%
Utrecht	46	MRI	34%	41	3-year 93%	3-year 65%	9.5% (crude)
Paris	225	MRI	2.2%	39	3 years 86.4%	2-year 78%	2.2% (crude)
RetroEmbrace	455	CT + MRI	25%	20	3 yrs 91.4%	3 years 76%	



Estado de la IGABT

**Transición de Braquiterapia de 2D a 3D adaptativa
Preferible basada en US , TEM o RMN . Repetir examen gyn.
Concepto adaptativo.**

Adaptar aplicadores a la evolución clínica IC.

Alta dosis al HR CTV mayor a 85-90Gy EQD2

Tambien para GTV (mayor a 90-95 Gy)

y CTV IR 65-70 Gy

Dosis moderada a volúmenes de OARs adyacentes

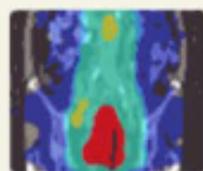
Usar datos de Embrace II



Dose prescription protocol in cervix cancer EMBRACE II (2016-2020)

prospective validation of DVH parameters for adaptive BT

	D90 CTV _{HR} EQD2 ₁₀	D98 CTV _{HR} EQD2 ₁₀	D98 GTV EQD2 ₁₀	D98 CTV _{IR} EQD2 ₁₀	Point A EQD2 ₁₀
Planning Aims	> 90 Gy < 95 Gy	> 75 Gy	>95 Gy	> 60 Gy	> 65 Gy
Limits for Prescribed Dose	> 85 Gy	-	>90 Gy	-	-



EMBRACE-II

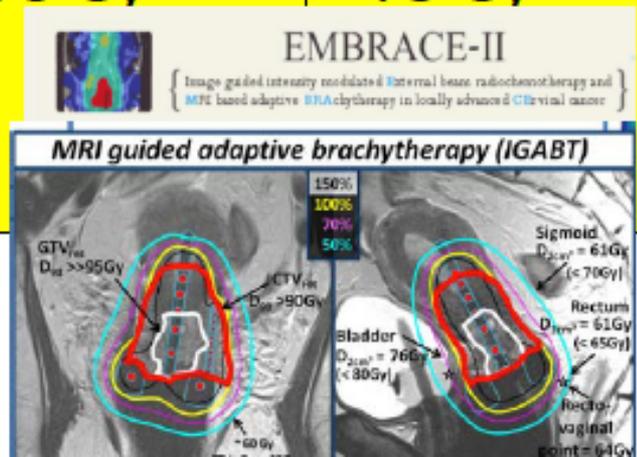
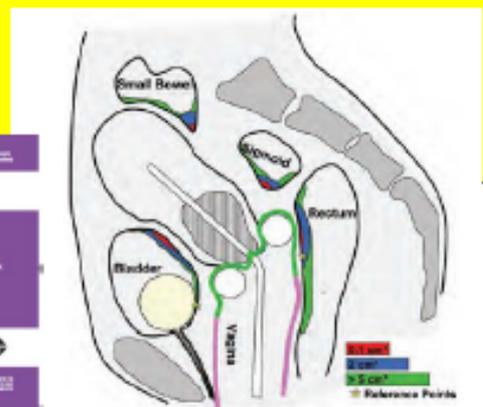
{ Image guided intensity modulated External beam radiotherapy and MRI based adaptive BRAchytherapy in locally advanced CErvical cancer }

Dose prescription protocol in cervix cancer

EMBRACE II (2016-2020): OAR dose volume constraints

prospective validation of DVH parameters for adaptive BT

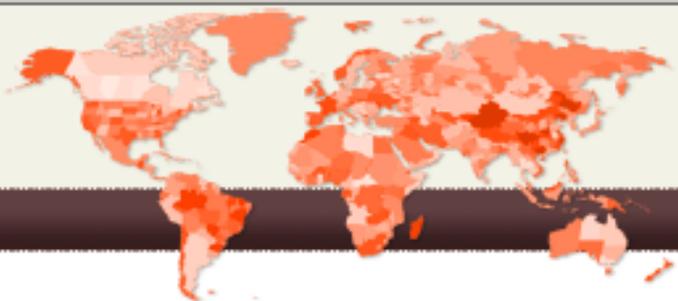
	Bladder D_{2cm^3} EQD2 ₃	Rectum D_{2cm^3} EQD2 ₃	Recto- vaginal point EQD2 ₃	Sigmoid/ Bowel D_{2cm^3} EQD2 ₃
Planning Aims	< 80 Gy	< 65 Gy	< 65 Gy	< 70 Gy*
Limits for Prescribed Dose	< 90 Gy	< 75 Gy	< 75 Gy	< 75 Gy*





EMBRACE

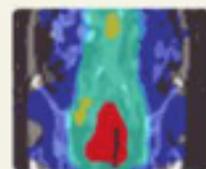
{ An international study
on MRI-guided BRachytherapy
in locally Advanced CErvical cancer }



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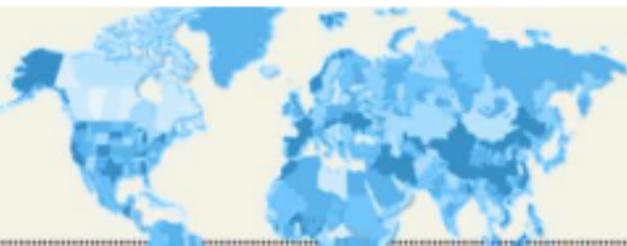
Outlook

- **More evidence from EMBRACE studies (I and II)**
 - volume and dose modelling
 - multi-parametric prescription protocols (CTVs/OARs)
- **Spread of image guided BT and EBRT**
 - using different workflows/technologies CT, US, MRI
- **Prognostic and predictive parameters (incl. translational)**
 - More patient and treatment selection



EMBRACE-II

{ Image guided intensity modulated External beam radiochemotherapy and
MRI based adaptive BRAchytherapy in locally advanced CErvical cancer }



Conclusión

Es tiempo para el cambio a 3D como ha sucedido en RT externa

Planeamiento basado en imágenes da mejor estimación de distribución volumétrica con buena correlación entre la dosis y el efecto

Permite mejor cobertura del volumen blanco y reduce dosis a órganos críticos

Data clínica actual muestra mejor control local y disminución de la morbilidad con nivel de evidencia importante



Cuales son las barreras para IGBT - Respuestas

- No RM en el departamento – Use CT/US intégrelo con RM si dispone
 - No se tienen los aplicadores correctos – Razonablemente no costosos, empiece con lo que conoce.
 - No se tiene el Staff – Identifique y empodere un grupo que pueda realizarlo.
 - No hay tiempo para contornear – con la practica se hará mas rápido y lo vale
 - No experiencia en contorneo en RM – ABS gyn Brachy / eCountouring Sessions
 - No hay comodidad moviéndose del punto A – Esta bien empiece lento a su paso
 - No se tiene experiencia en intersticial – tendrá las ganas de intentar luego de realizar los primeros casos
 - No sabe por donde empezar – Encantado de poder ayudar
 - La practica estándar funciona bien la mayoría del tiempo: por que cambiar? – porque 20 -25% se beneficiara en reducción toxicidad y mejoría control
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Caso Clínico



ANTECEDENTES

- Edad: 65 años
- Personales:
 - HTA: Carvedilol 12.5mg/d, Tiazid 12.5mg/d.
 - NM mama IA: (MRMder-2001) + QT: actualidad RLR (-)
 - Tonsilectomía en la niñez
 - Hábitos nocivos: niega
 - GO: FUR: 50años, G2P2, ACOs: x 3 años, NPS: 2
- Familiares: Madre y Hermana: NM mama

RELATO DE LA Enfermedad

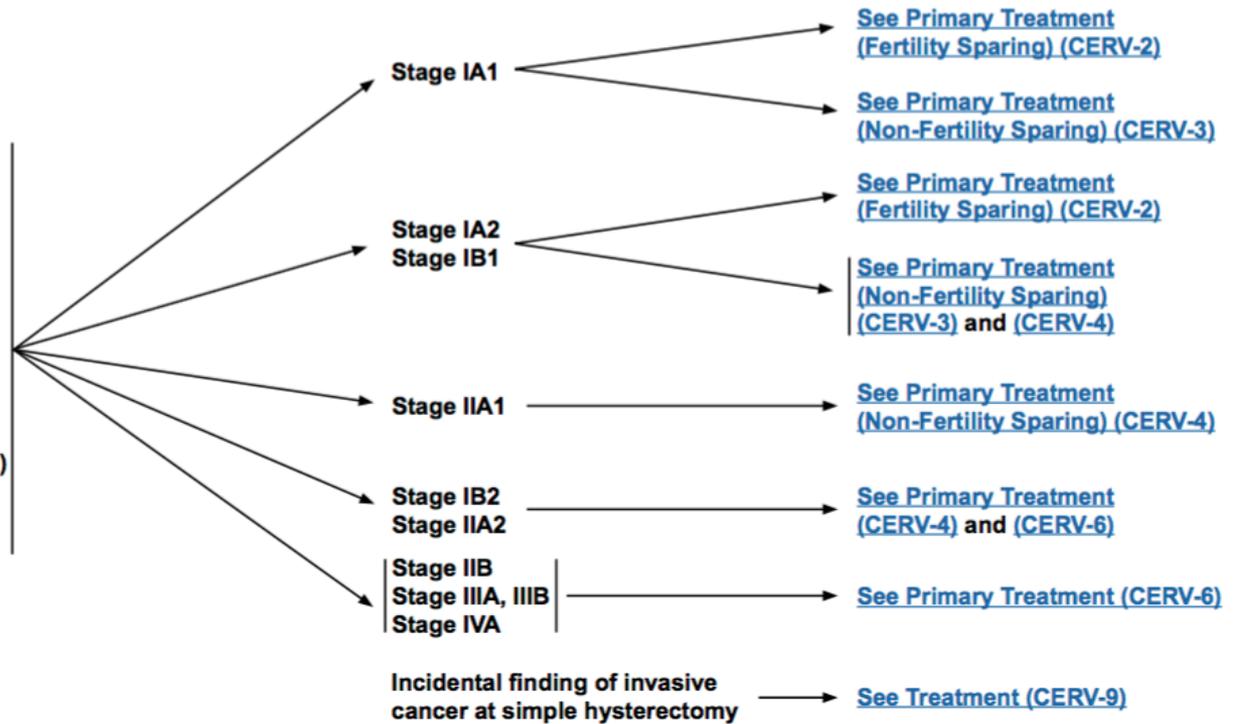
- TE: 4 meses
- Síntomas y Signos: ginecorragia ocasional
- Ex Físico:
 - Mama derecha: ausente por MRM, No signos de RLR.
 - TV: vulva sana, vagina: aspecto nodular en cara lateral derecha 1/3 superior, Cérvix: tumor proliferante sangrante que ocupa canal vaginal.
 - TR: parametrios infiltrados



WORKUP

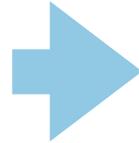
- H&P
 - Complete blood count (CBC) (including platelets)
 - Cervical biopsy, pathologic review
 - Cone biopsy as indicated^a
 - LFT/renal function studies
 - Imaging^b
 - Smoking cessation and counseling intervention if indicated
 - Consider HIV testing (category 3)
- Optional:
- EUA cystoscopy/proctoscopy^c (≥ stage IB2)

CLINICAL STAGE



PLAN DE TRABAJO

- **Biopsia Cérvix:**
Tumor 4x5cm sangrante al roce, proliferativo con vasos atípicos que deforma y protruye del cérvix.



**ADENOCARCINOMA TUBULAR Y PAPILAR
MODERADAMENTE DIFERENCIADO
INFILTRANTE Y ULCERADO.**

IHQ panel para descartar primario:
Se confirma 1rio cérvix.

- **Lab: Hemograma,**
BQ: hb: 13.5, fn renal: N

- **Imágenes:**

- **TEM TAP**

- **PET-CT: enfermedad localmente avanzada, NO metastásica**

A nivel del cérvix se observa lesión sólida de aspecto neofornativo, que muestra discreta captación de la sustancia de contraste, mide aproximadamente 64 x 5 x 37 mm de diámetro longitudinal, transversal y anteroposterior, se asocia a discreta alteración de los planos grasos adyacentes y compromiso de ambos parametrios,

CONCLUSIÓN

LESIÓN SÓLIDA DE ASPECTO NEOFORMATIVO A NIVEL DEL CÉRVIX CON COMPROMISO DE AMBOS PARAMETRIOS, Y PROBABLE INFILTRACIÓN DEL ASPECTO ANTERIOR DEL TERCIO SUPERIOR DE LA VAGINA. NO HAY ADENOPATÍAS NI METASTASIS A DISTANCIA.

Table 1 AJCC Tumor-Node-Metastases (TNM) and International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) Surgical Staging Systems for Carcinoma of the Uterine Cervix

TNM Categories	FIGO Stages	Surgical-Pathologic Findings	TNM Categories	FIGO Stages	Surgical-Pathologic Findings
TX		Primary tumor cannot be assessed	T2a	IIA	Tumor without parametrial invasion
T0		No evidence of primary tumor	T2a1	IIA1	Clinically visible lesion 4.0 cm or less in greatest dimension
Tis*		Carcinoma in situ (preinvasive carcinoma)	T2a2	IIA2	Clinically visible lesion more than 4.0 cm in greatest dimension
T1	I	Cervical carcinoma confined to cervix (extension to corpus should be disregarded)	T2b	IIB	Tumor with parametrial invasion
T1a**	IA	Invasive carcinoma diagnosed only by microscopy. Stromal invasion with a maximum depth of 5.0 mm measured from the base of the epithelium and a horizontal spread of 7.0 mm or less. Vascular space involvement, venous or lymphatic, does not affect classification	T3	III	Tumor extends to pelvic wall and/or involves lower third of vagina and/or causes hydronephrosis or nonfunctioning kidney##
T1a1	IA1	Measured stromal invasion 3.0 mm or less in depth and 7.0 mm or less in horizontal spread	T3a	IIIA	Tumor involves lower third of vagina, no extension to pelvic wall
T1a2	IA2	Measured stromal invasion more than 3.0 mm and not more than 5.0 mm with a horizontal spread 7.0 mm or less	T3b	IIIB	Tumor extends to pelvic wall and/or causes hydronephrosis or nonfunctioning kidney
T1b	IB	Clinically visible lesion confined to the cervix or microscopic lesion greater than T1a/IA2#	T4	IVA	Tumor invades mucosa of bladder or rectum, and/or extends beyond true pelvis (bullous edema is not sufficient to classify a tumor as T4)
T1b1	IB1	Clinically visible lesion 4.0 cm or less in greatest dimension			
T1b2	IB2	Clinically visible lesion more than 4.0 cm in greatest dimension			
T2	II	Cervical carcinoma invades beyond uterus but not to pelvic wall or to lower third of vagina			

*Note: FIGO no longer includes Stage 0 (Tis).

**Note: All macroscopically visible lesions—even with superficial invasion—are T1b/IB.

#All macroscopically visible lesions—even with superficial invasion—are allotted to stage IB carcinomas. Invasion is limited to a measured stromal invasion with a maximal depth of 5.00 mm and a horizontal extension of not >7.00 mm. Depth of invasion should not be >5.00 mm taken from the base of the epithelium of the original tissue—superficial or glandular. The depth of invasion should always be reported in mm, even in those cases with “early (minimal) stromal invasion” (~1 mm). The involvement of vascular/lymphatic spaces should not change the stage allotment.

##On rectal examination, there is no cancer-free space between the tumor and the pelvic wall. All cases with hydronephrosis or non-functioning kidney are included, unless they are known to be due to another cause.

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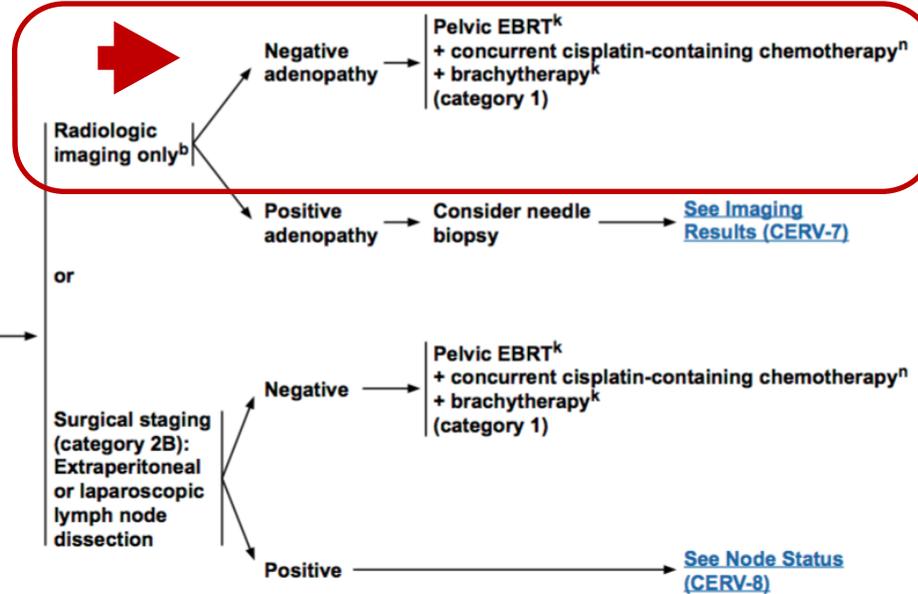
NM CERVIX IIB

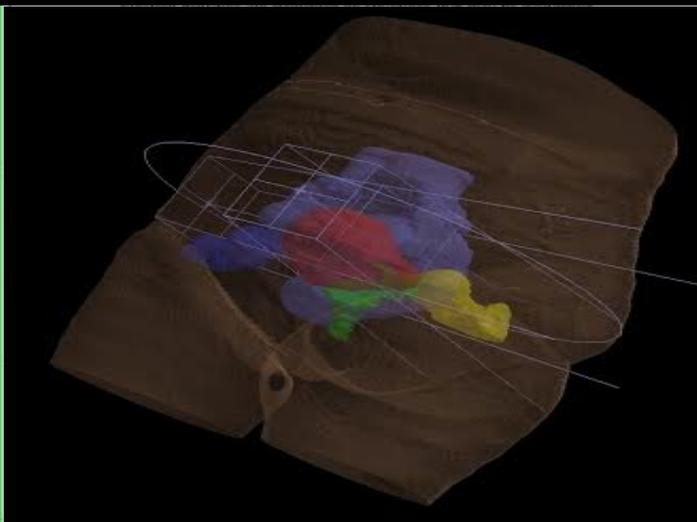
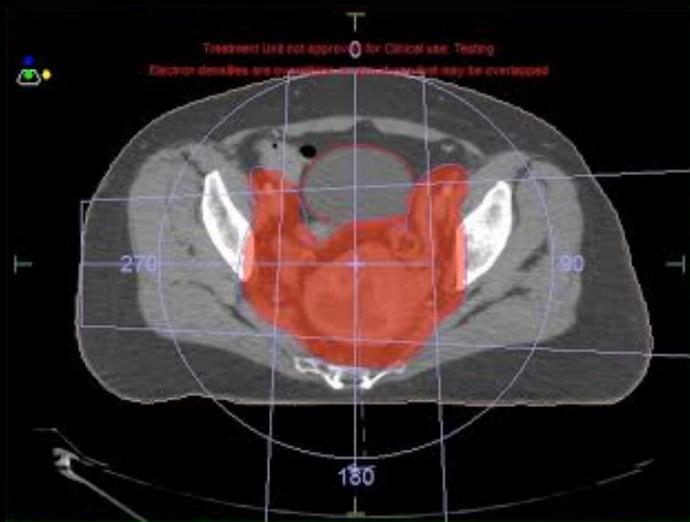
CLINICAL STAGE

ADDITIONAL WORKUP

PRIMARY TREATMENT

Stage IB2, Stage IIA2
(See [CERV-4](#) for alternative recommendations for these patients)
Stage IIB, IIIA, IIIB, IVA



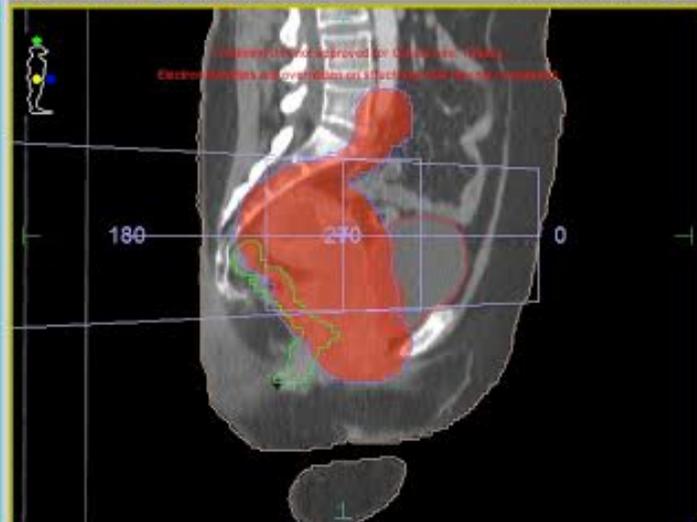


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CAR_FEM_ICD
Carbon Fiber
CTV1
CTV2
CTV3
Foam Cone
pelvnt
PTV1
PTV2
PTV3
PTV50/25
RECTO
VEGA

PLANIFICACIÓN
RT EXTERNA
50 Gy / 25 Fx

Max Dose: 5000.0 cGy

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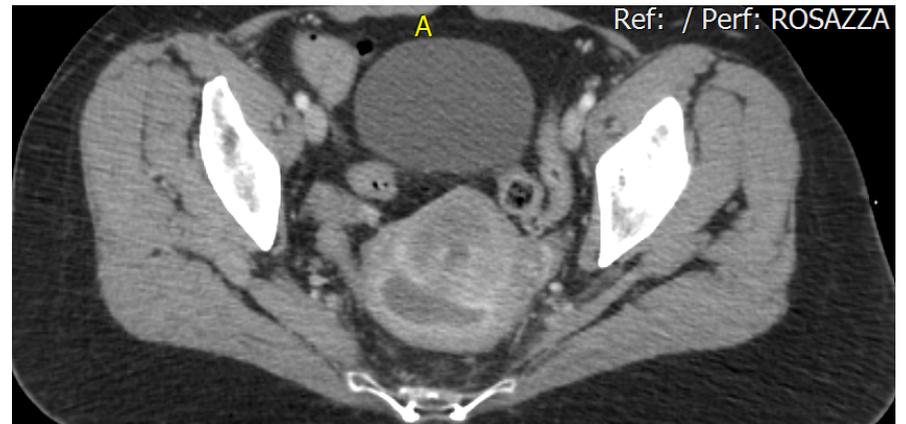
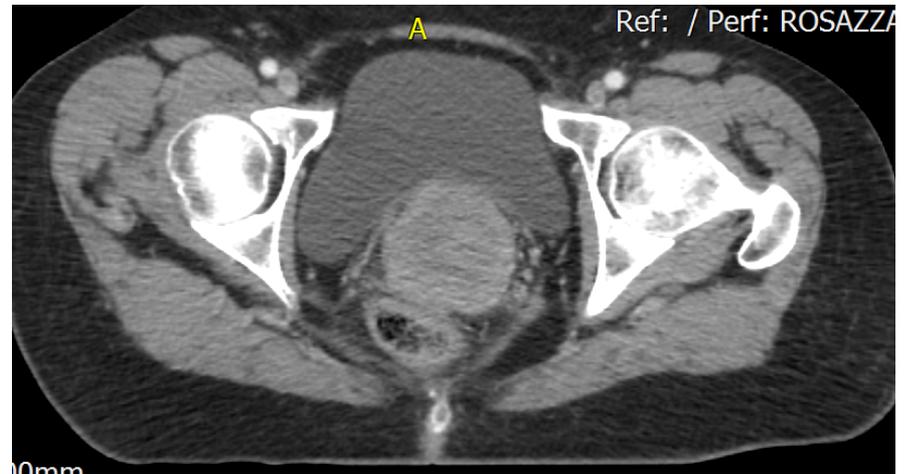


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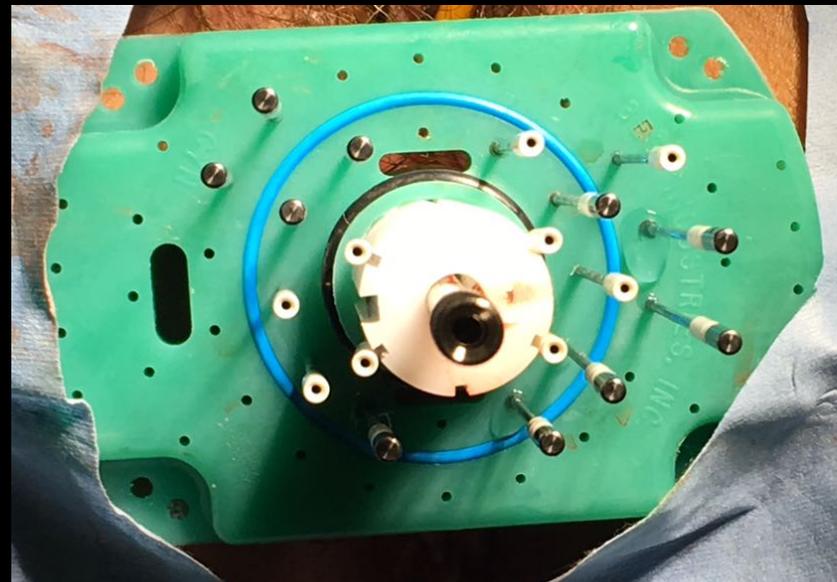
REEVALUACIÓN POST 6 CURSOS DE QT+EBRT

- dolor pélvico + ginecorragia escasa.
- EF: cérvix con extenso tumor exofítico que infiltra hasta 1/3 medio de vagina. Ambos parametrios comprometidos.
- **TEM pelvis c/c:**
tumor en cérvix 5.6x5.3cm (previo inicio de QT y RT: 6.4 x5cm), adyacente a pared posterior vesical engrosada sugestivo de infiltración local. Se extiende a la vagina, tejidos blandos periuretrales. NO ADENOPATIAS.



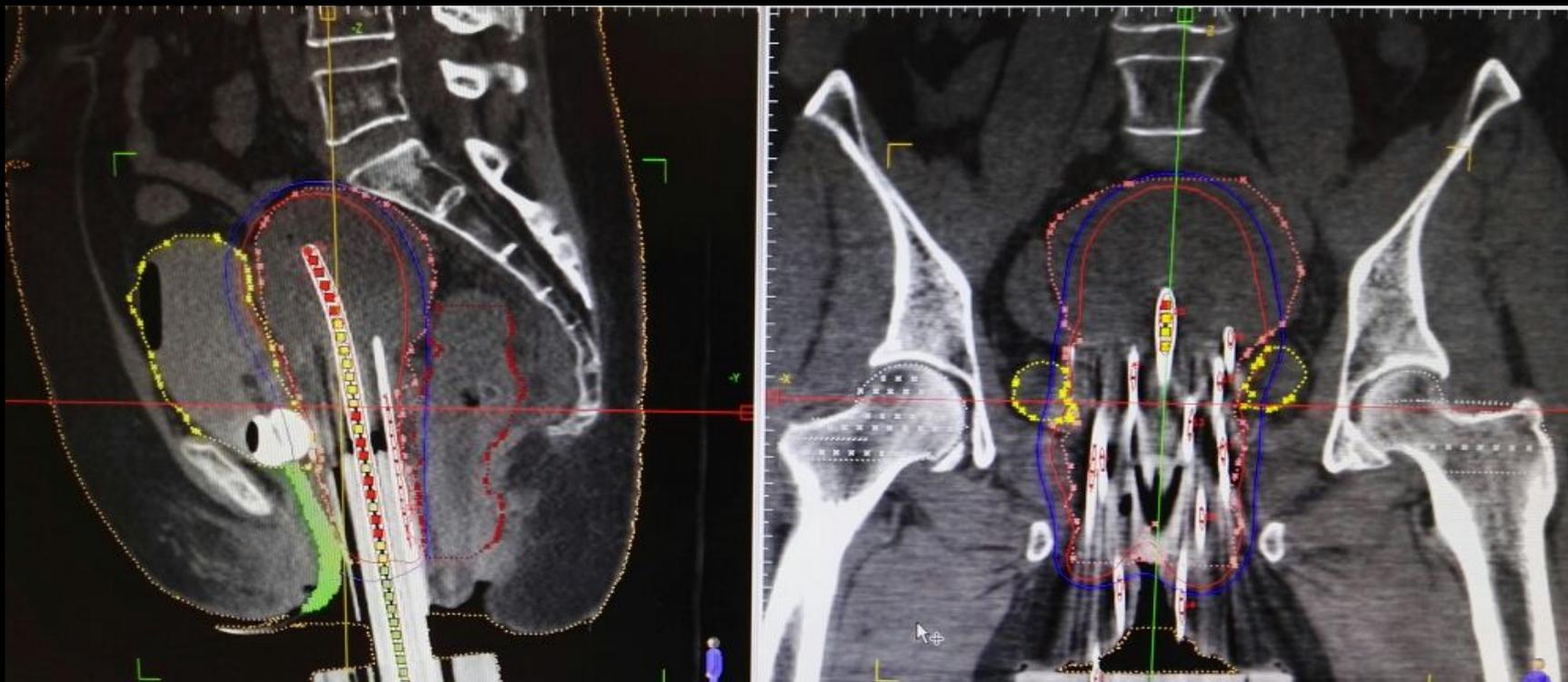


APLICACIÓN DE BRAQUITERAPIA INTERSTICIAL 3D BAJO GUIA ECOGRAFICA



PLANIFICACIÓN DE BRAQUITERAPIA INTERSTICIAL 3D FUSIÓN TEM/RM

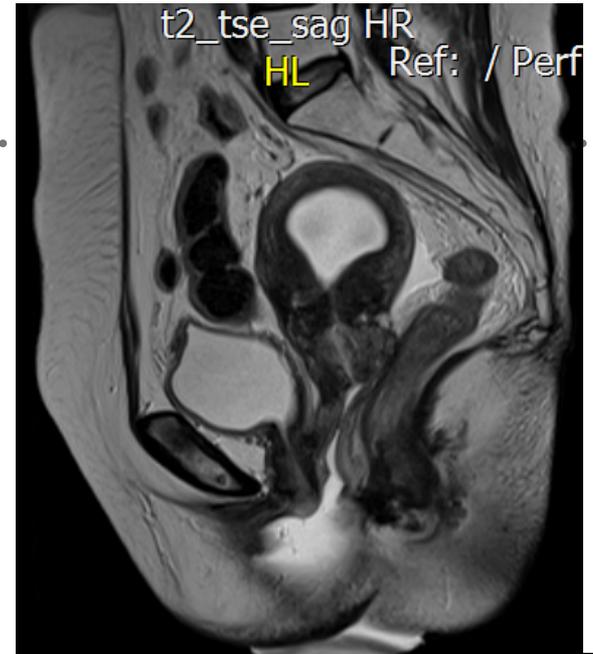
DOSIS 7 Gy / 5 Fx



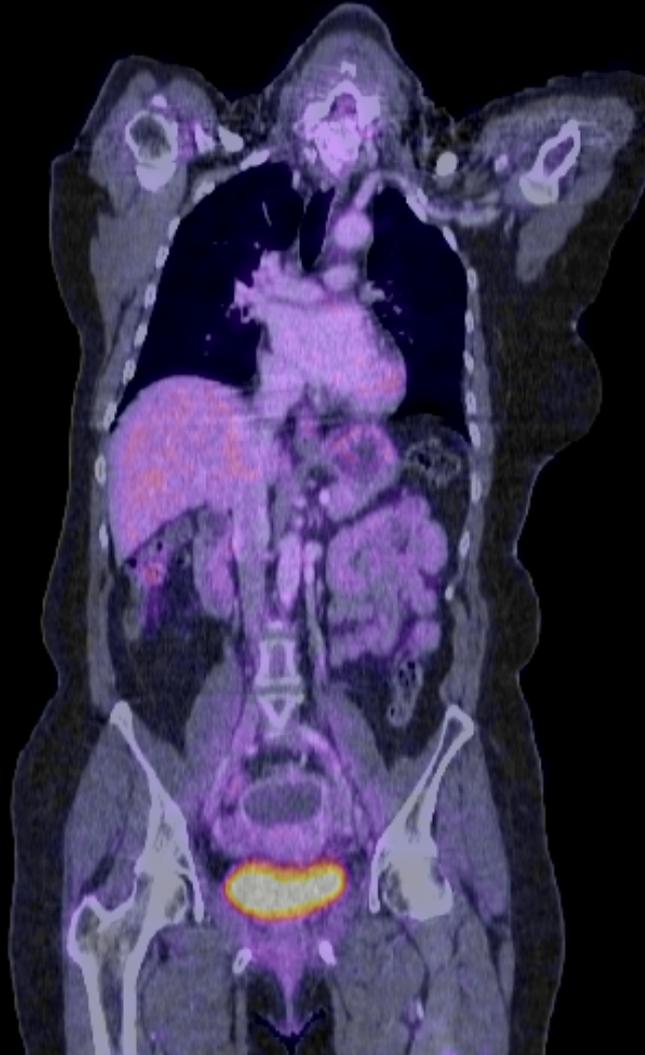
revaluación post bt

- Reevaluación: tumor cérvix 2x2 cm, fibrosis
- RM pelvis:

Cuello uterino mide 4.2x3.7cm, sin cambios significativos en RM previa (3meses atrás post 4/5 BT). Foco de realce y restricción de la difusión rodeando el canal cervical, sin cambios significativos, sugestivo de cambios inflamatorios post tratamiento vs enfermedad residual. Engrosamiento de la mitad superior de la pared vaginal que ha incrementado discretamente respecto al control previo, sugestivo de cambio post tratamiento.



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