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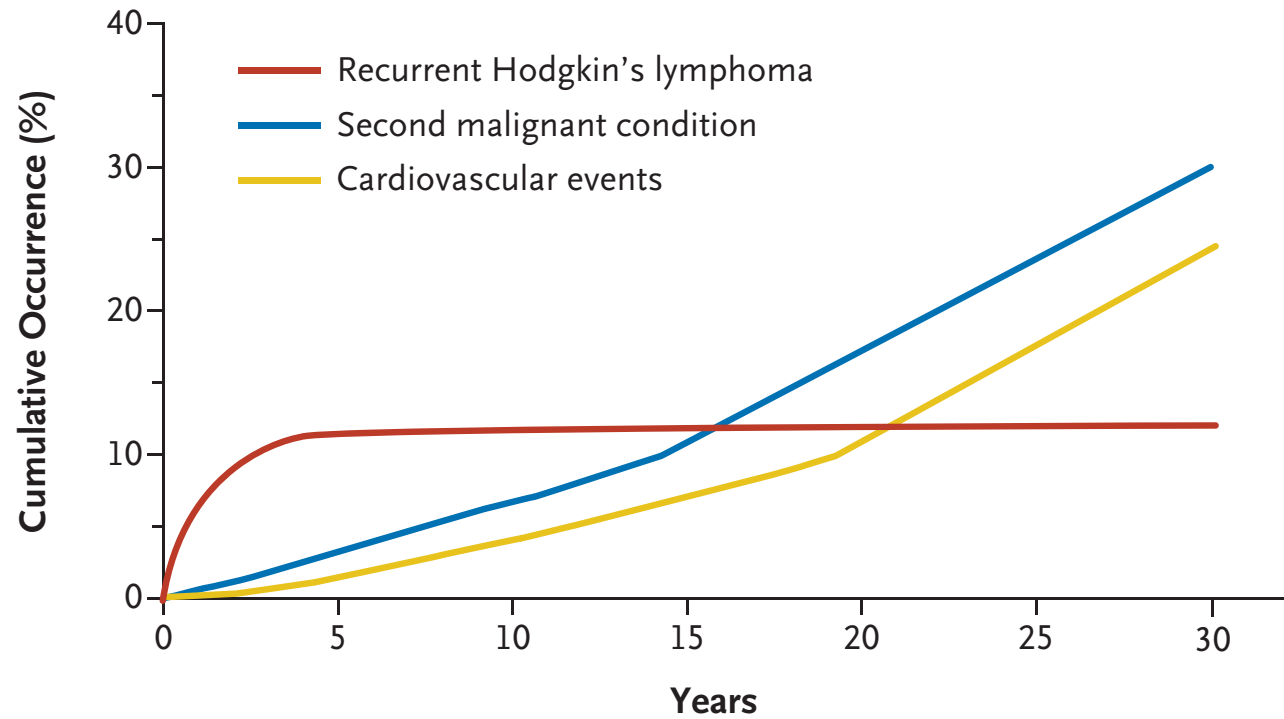
***Danno cardiaco iatrogeno***

***Tossicità cardiaca da radioterapia***

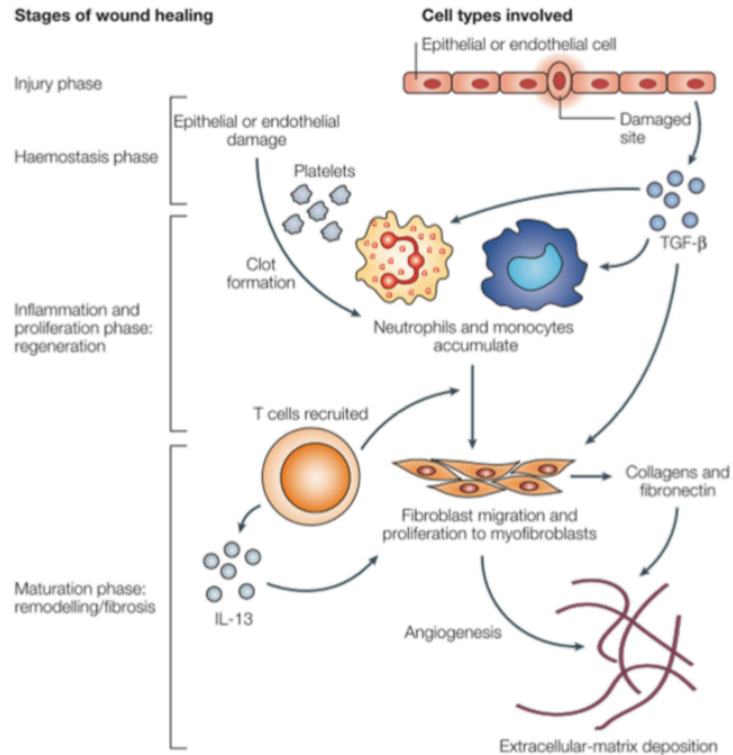
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## The price of success: Long term complications

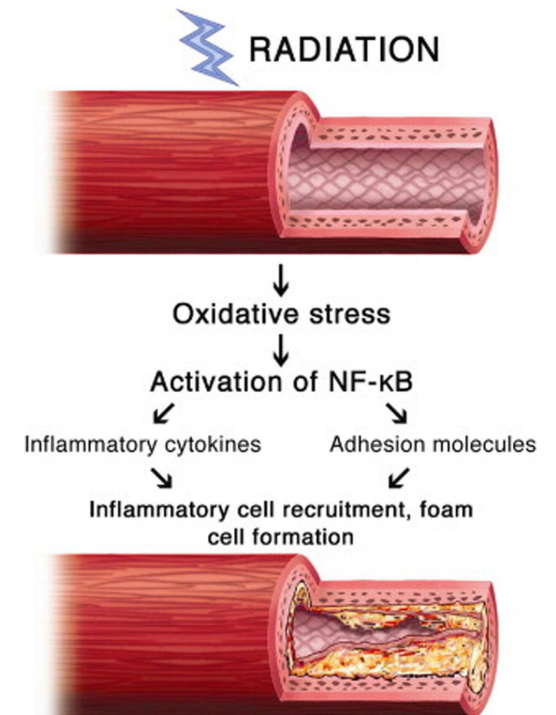


# Pathogenesis of RIHD

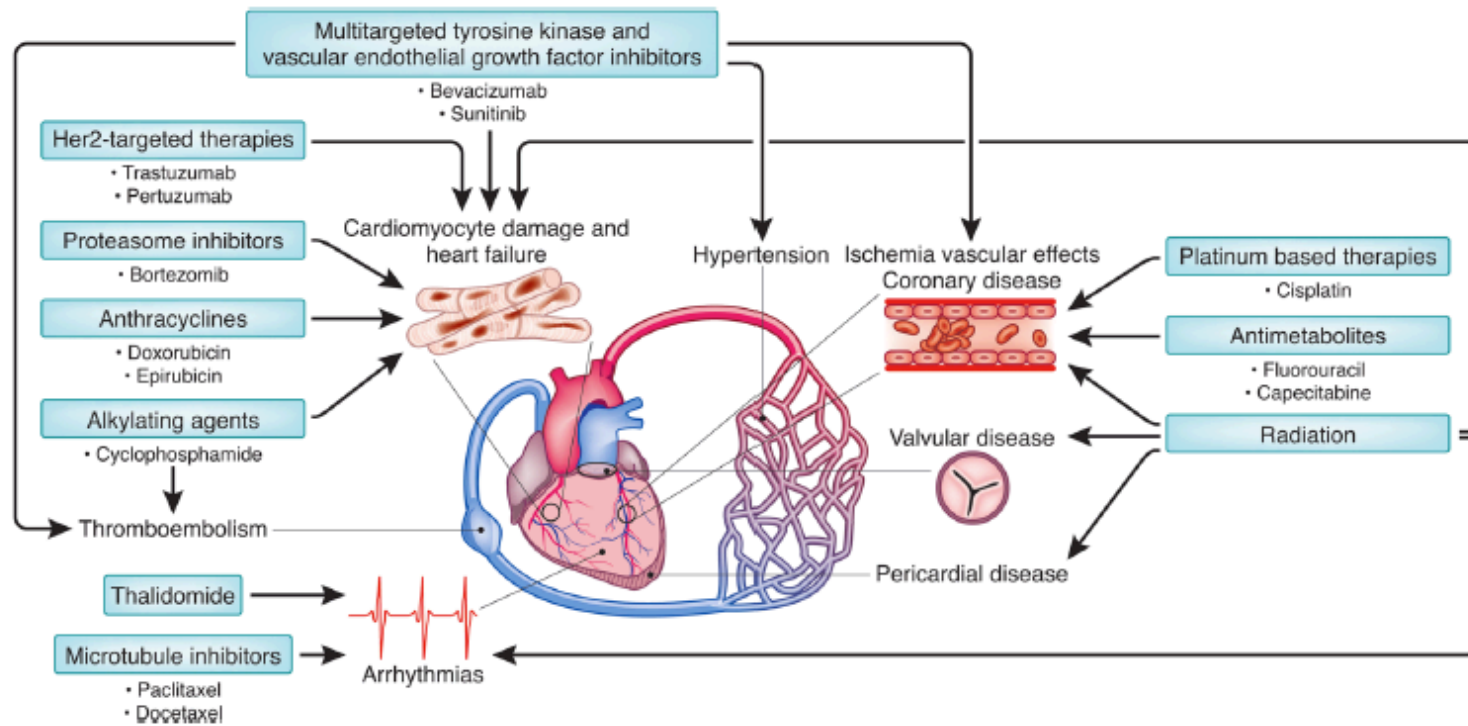


**1 - Fibrosis**

**2 - Inflammation**



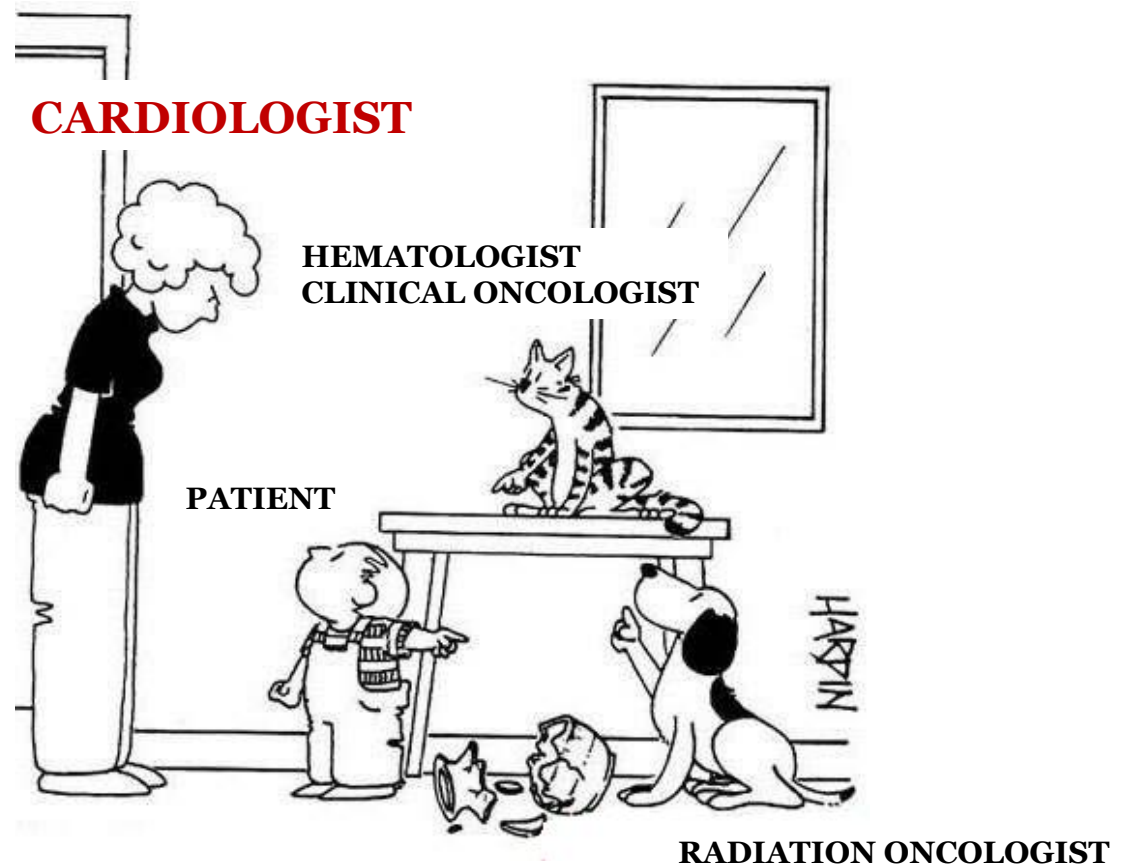
# RIHD: the “enhancing” role of combined systemic therapies





**Treatment Related Cardiac Events In Long Term Cancer Survivors...**

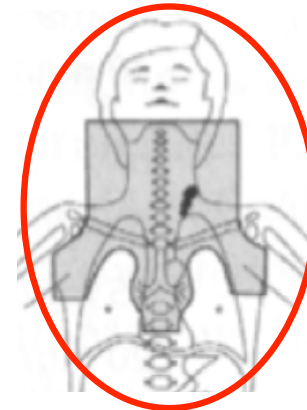
**Who Is The Guilty One?**





## Late cardiotoxicity after treatment for Hodgkin lymphoma

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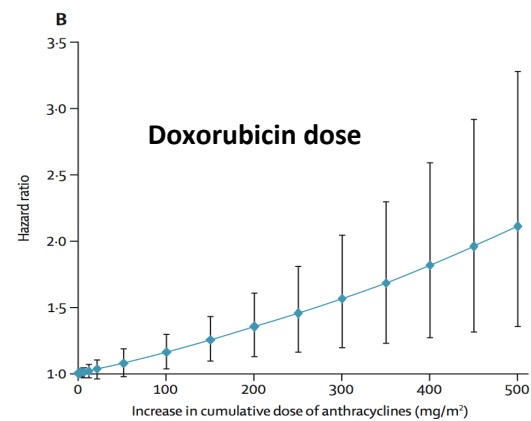
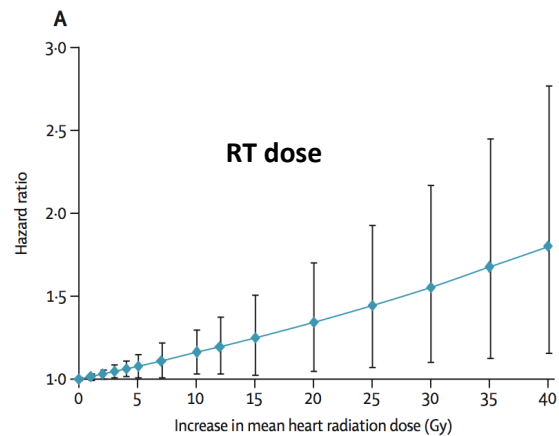


- ✓ 1474 pts
- ✓ Enrollement: 1965-1995 (median follow-up 18,7 years)
- ✓ 1241 mediastinal RT (87%)
- ✓ 40 Gy/20 fr (RT) or 30-36 Gy (RT-CT)

Risk factor	MI	AP	CHF*	Valvular disorders
<b>Model 1, no. of events</b>	102	129	82	159
Treatment, HR (95% CI)†				
Mediastinal RT (yes vs no)	2.42 (1.12-5.24)	4.85 (1.97-11.9)	7.37 (1.81-30.0)	7.01 (2.59-18.9)
Anthracycline-containing CT (yes vs no)	0.90 (0.50-1.62)	1.49 (0.89-2.49)	2.44 (1.37-4.33)	2.24 (1.40-3.59)
Cardiovascular risk factors, HR (95% CI)				
Recent smoking (yes vs no/unknown)	2.04 (1.29-3.23)	1.35 (0.85-2.16)	1.96 (1.16-3.30)	1.23 (0.80-1.88)
Hypertension (yes vs no/unknown)‡	0.52 (0.29-0.94)	0.90 (0.58-1.42)	1.07 (0.59-1.94)	1.28 (0.86-1.92)
Hypercholesterolemia (yes vs no/unknown)‡	4.12 (2.68-6.33)	4.55 (3.10-6.68)	1.48 (0.85-2.58)	1.65 (1.11-2.44)
Diabetes mellitus (yes vs no/unknown)‡	1.44 (0.73-2.83)	2.43 (1.45-4.09)	4.45 (2.54-7.81)	1.81 (1.07-3.04)
<b>Model 2, no. of events</b>	95	124	80	155
Treatment group, HR (95% CI)§				
Mediastinal RT only	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mediastinal RT + CT, no anthracyclines¶	1.17 (0.75-1.83)	0.78 (0.53-1.15)	1.33 (0.79-2.24)	0.85 (0.60-1.21)
Mediastinal RT + CT, anthracyclines#	1.00 (0.52-1.94)	1.32 (0.76-2.30)	2.81 (1.44-5.49)	2.10 (1.27-3.48)

# Chemotherapy VS Radiotherapy... What is more toxic?

Estimated HR for cardiovascular events according to mean heart RT dose and cumulative dose of anthracyclines



Example: an increase in **mean heart dose of 5 Gy** yields the **same excess risk** of cardiac events as an increase in cumulative **anthracycline dose of 50 mg/m<sup>2</sup>** (≈1 cycle of ABVD or R-CHOP)

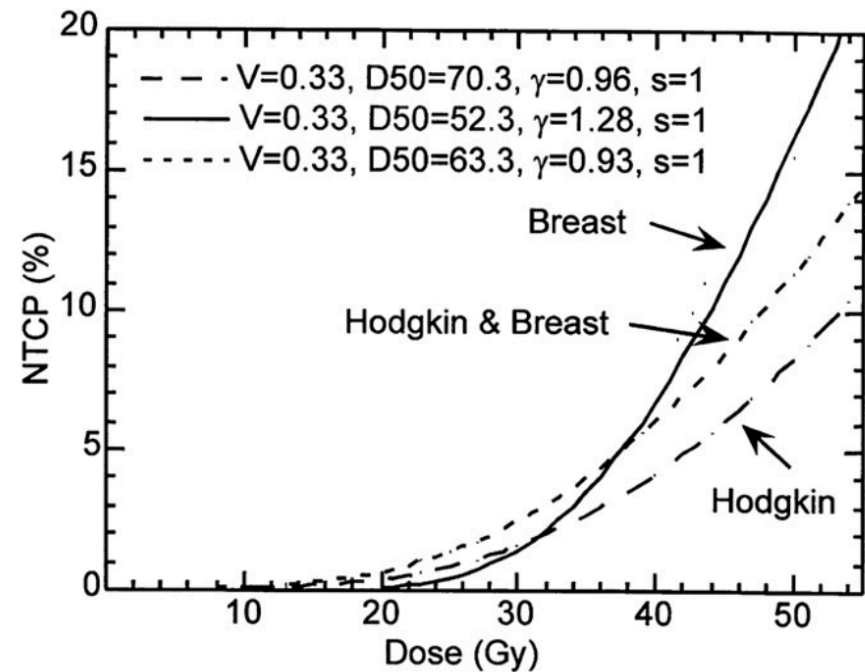
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## DOSE-RESPONSE RELATIONSHIP: complex and heterogeneous models

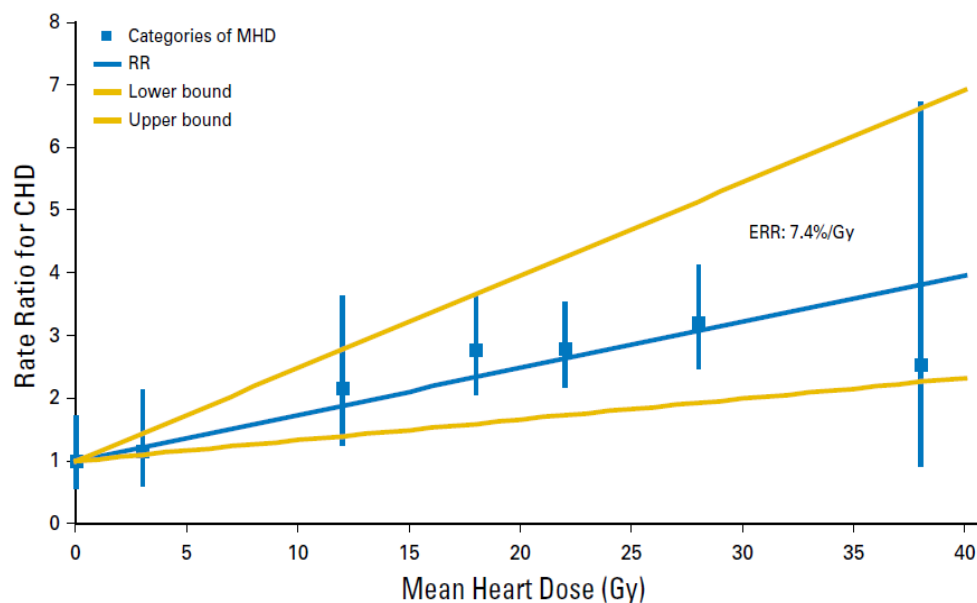
➤ If we consider Heart Dose, response curves are unstable and variable due to:

- Different radiated substructures
- Concomitant cardiovascular risk factors

### Long Term Cardiac Mortality



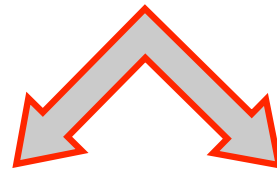
# Radiation Dose-Response Relationship for Risk of Coronary Heart Disease in Survivors of Hodgkin Lymphoma



## Impact of Cardiovascular risk factors

Risk Factors	RR	95% CI	p value
NONE	1	-	-
Diabetes mellitus	<b>1.98</b>	1.41 to 2.77	< 0.001
Hypercholesterolemia	<b>2.08</b>	1.60 to 2.72	< 0.001
Hypertension	<b>1.52</b>	1.18 to 1.96	< 0.001
>1 risk factors	<b>2.51</b>	1.84 to 3.44	< 0.001

# Prevention Of Treatment Related Cardiac Events Is Pivotal, So... How Can We Prevent Radiation-Induced Cardiac Complications ?



## PRIMARY PREVENTION

- Avoidance/reduction of cardiotoxic treatments
- Technical improvement
- Management of cardiac risk factors
- Cardioprotective drugs

## SECONDARY PREVENTION (early diagnosis)

- Diagnostic tools
  1. Biomarkers (*Troponine, NTproBNP, miRNA*)
  2. Echocardiography
  3. Cardiac MRI
  4. Coronary angiography CT scan

**1**

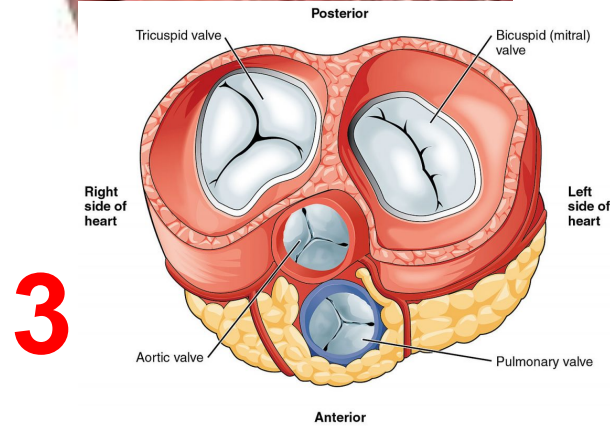
***PROSPECTIVE AND  
DETAILED CONTOURING OF  
THE HEART STRUCTURES***



# Modern concept

Estimation of the dose received by:

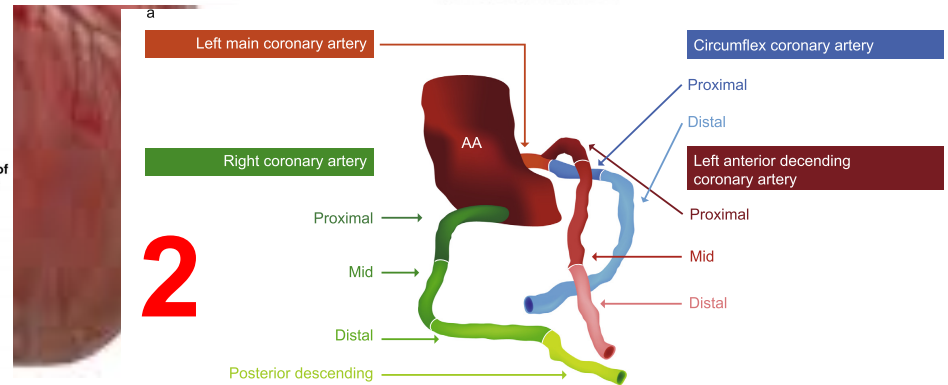
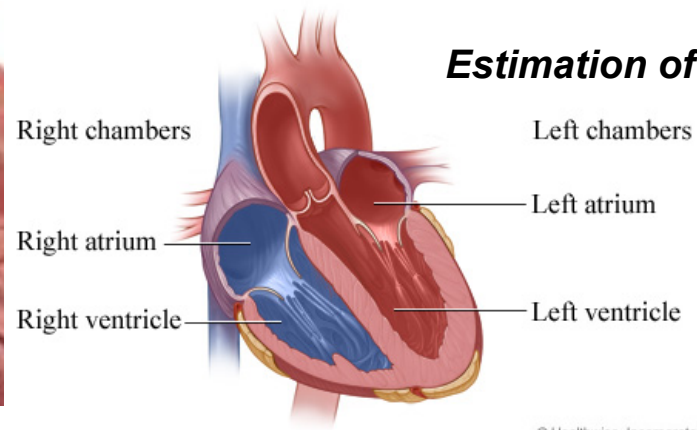
- 1) Chambers (atria and ventricles)
- 2) Coronary arteries (LM, LAD, CX, RCA)
- 3) Valves (mitral, tricuspid, aortic, pulmonary)



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# Old concept

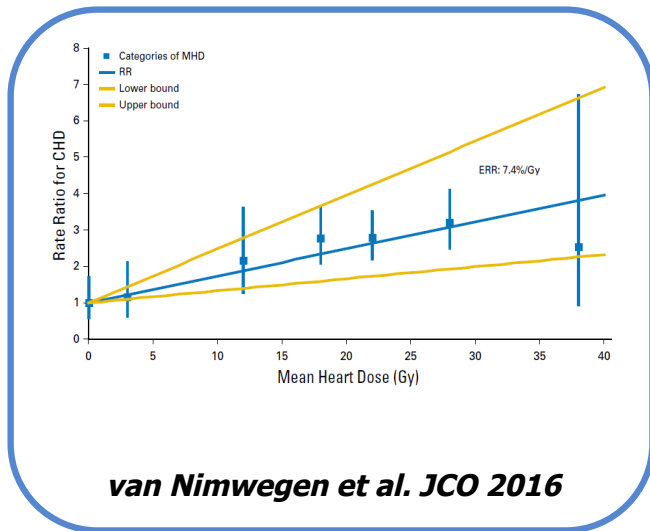
Estimation of Whole Heart dose



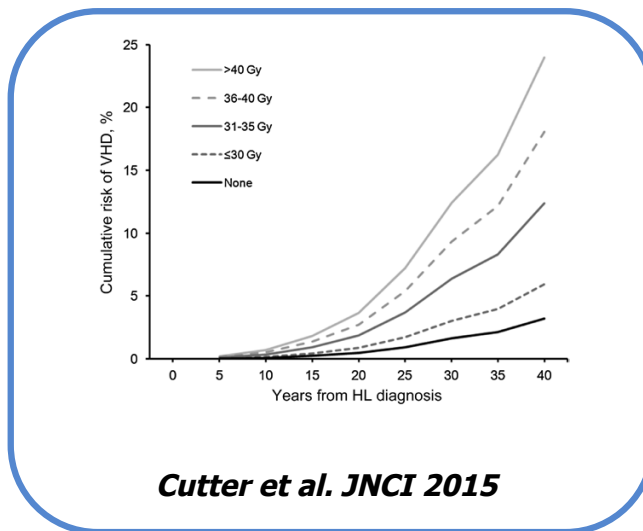
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# Correlation between heart (substructures) dose and cardiac events

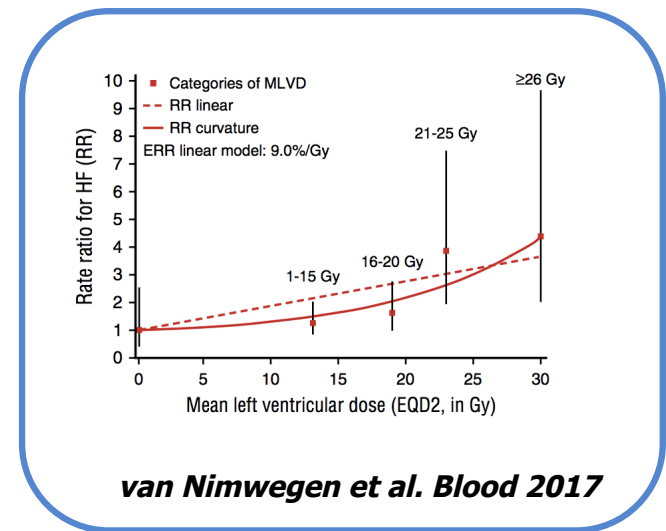
## MHD and development of CAD



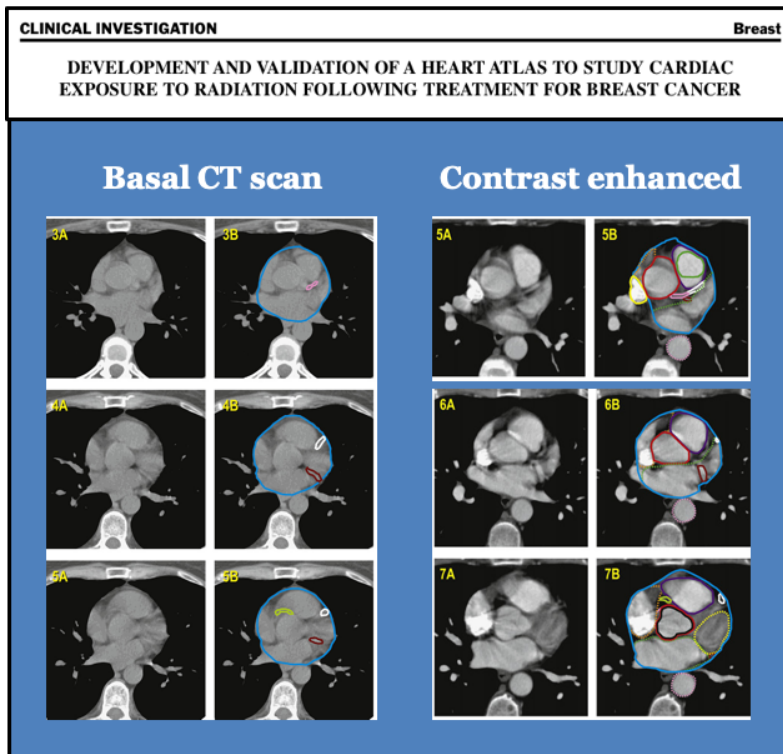
## Valvular dose and development of VHD



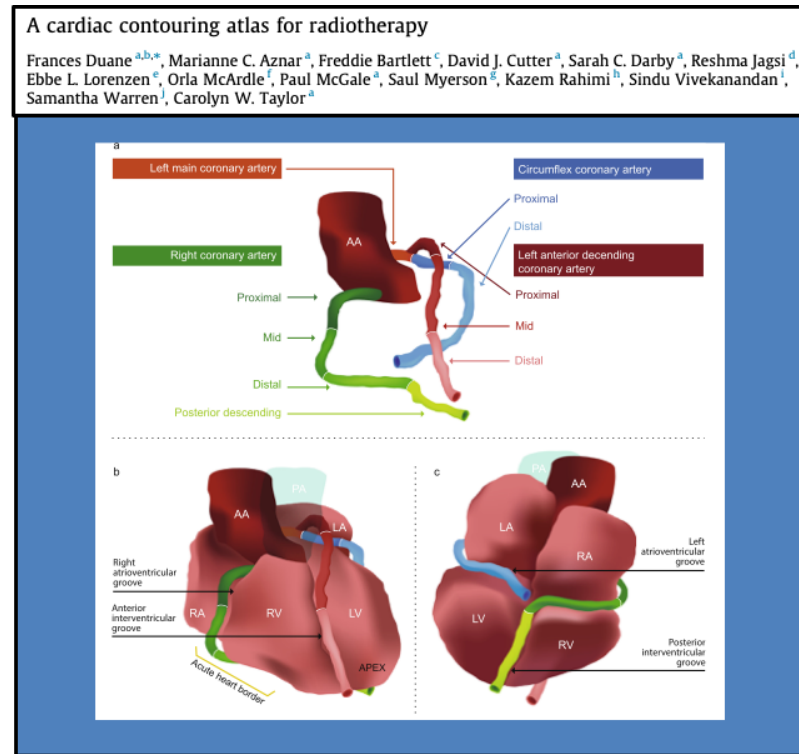
## MLVD and development of CHF



# CONTOURING OF THE HEART STRUCTURES



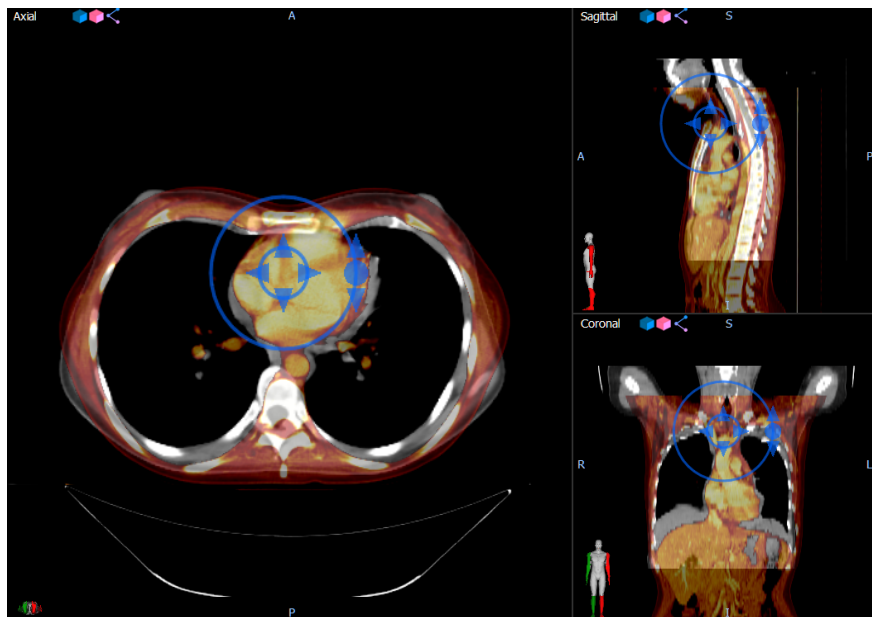
*Feng M et al. IJROBP 2011*



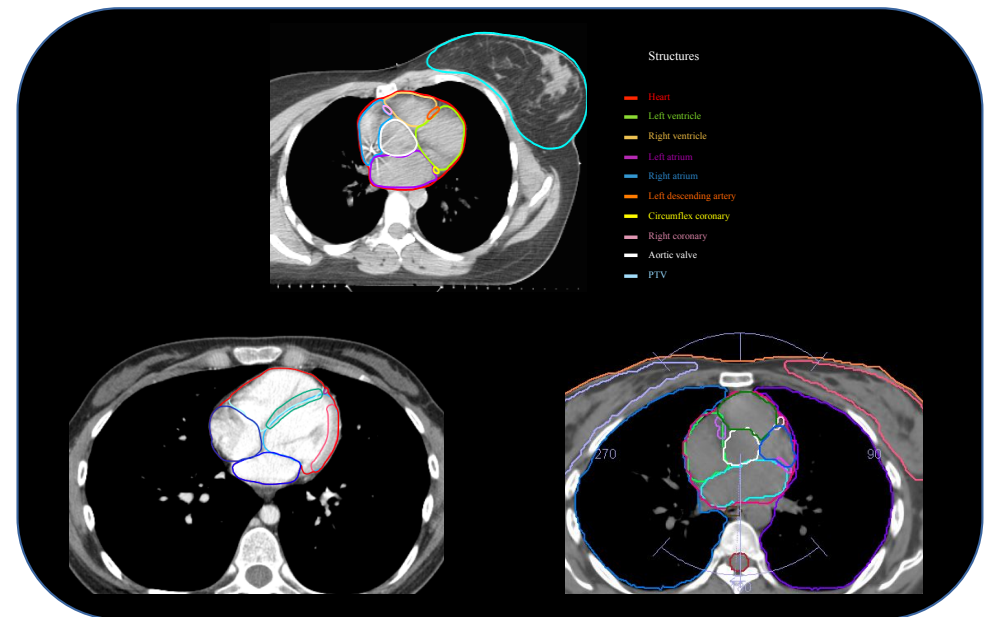
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# TREATMENT PLANNING

## 1 – Deformable registration



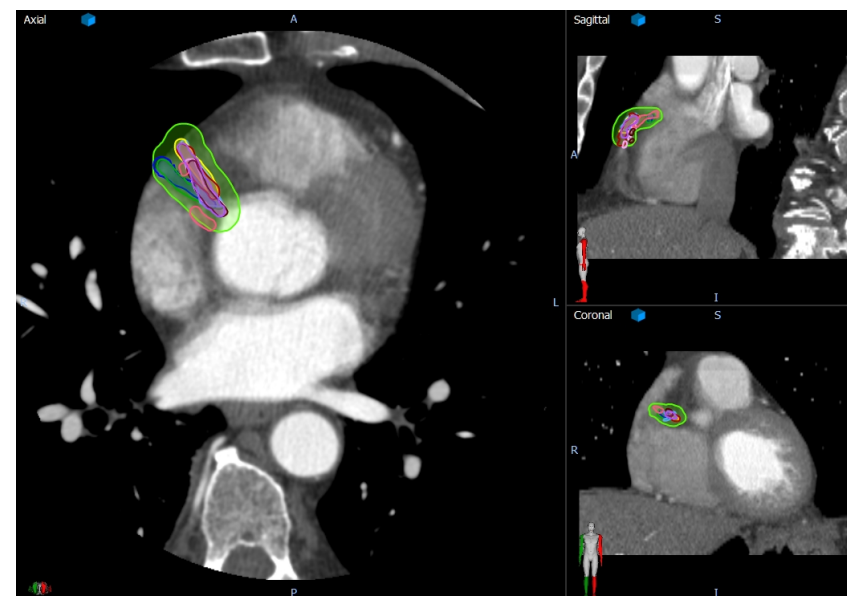
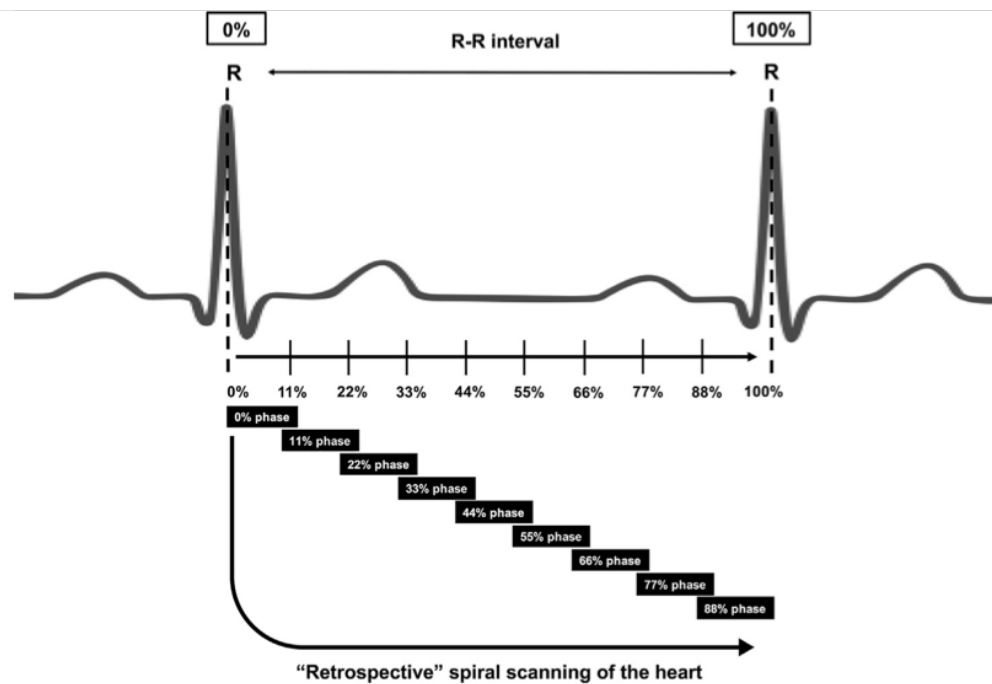
## 2 – Accurate contouring of cardiac structures

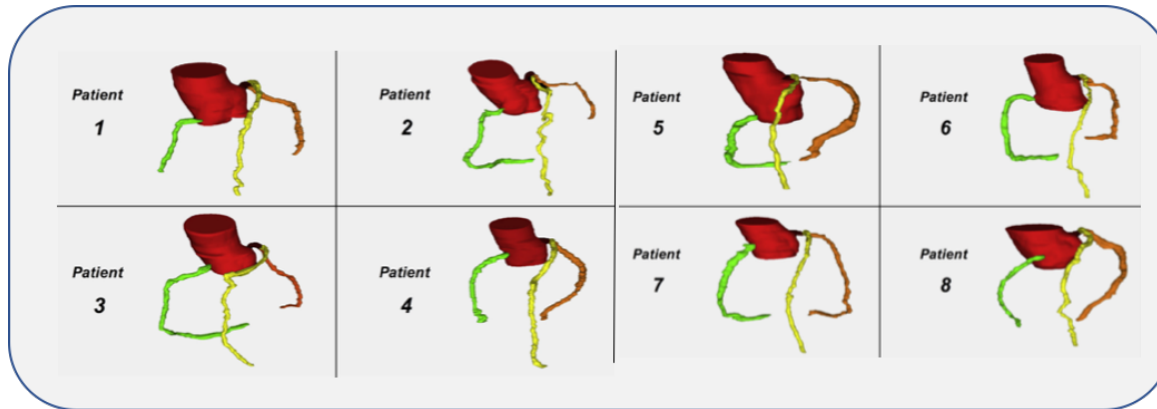
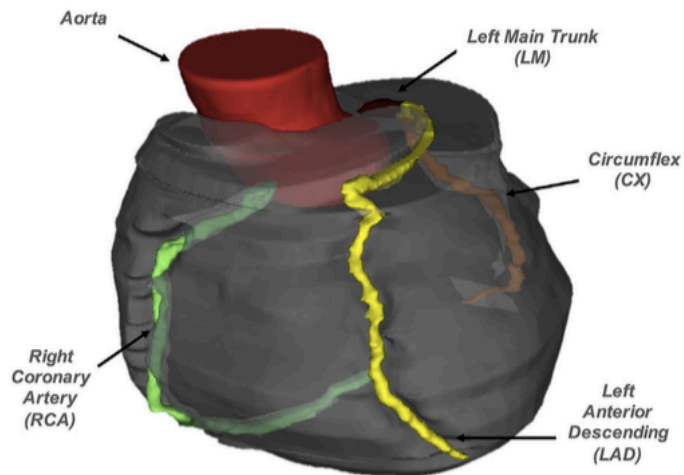




## Plan optimization for mediastinal radiotherapy: Estimation of coronary arteries motion with ECG-gated cardiac imaging and creation of compensatory expansion margins

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**Table 1**

Mean coronary arteries displacements evaluated with the McKenzie–van Herk formula [15] for organs at risk ( $mPRV = 1.3 * \Sigma + 0.5 * \sigma$ ), for the overall population of 8 patients.

Coronary artery	Displacement (mm)			Suggested PRV margin (mm)
	Left-Right (X) $\Sigma$ and $\sigma$	Cranio-caudal (Y) $\Sigma$ and $\sigma$	Antero-posterior (Z) $\Sigma$ and $\sigma$	
Left main trunk (LM)	3.6	2.7	2.7	<b>3</b>
	0.215 and 0.169	0.143 and 0.177	0.143 and 0.162	
Left anterior descending (LAD)	2.6	5.0	6.8	<b>5</b>
	0.143 and 0.154	0.228 and 0.395	0.413 and 0.291	
Circumflex (CX)	3.5	4.5	3.7	<b>4</b>
	0.196 and 0.179	0.239 and 0.283	0.183 and 0.256	
Right (RCA)	3.6	4.6	6.9	<b>5</b>
	0.169 and 0.276	0.232 and 0.324	0.355 and 0.446	

# 2

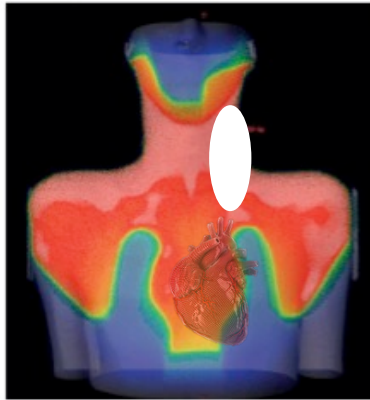
***“CHOOSING WISELY”...  
RT OFFER TAILORED TO THE  
PATIENTS BY ADOPTING  
COMPARATIVE PLANNING***



# Evolution in the definition of RT volumes for lymphoma patients

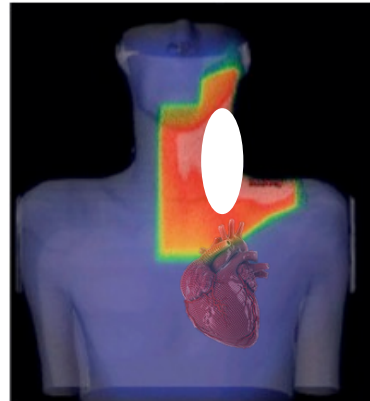
## Mantle field

1980-1990



## Involved field

1990-2010



## Involved site - Involved node

2010-nowadays



Volume treated on the basis of anatomical borders

Targets of treatment are only lymph nodes and/or extranodal sites involved at baseline

# THE CONFORMALITY CONTINUUM

1980s

Late 1990s

2000s

2010s

2020s

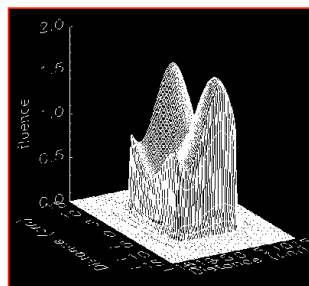
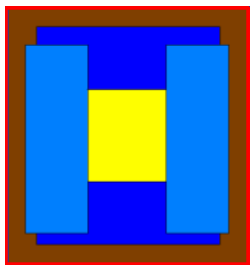
TREND – Improving Precision

2D

3D-CRT

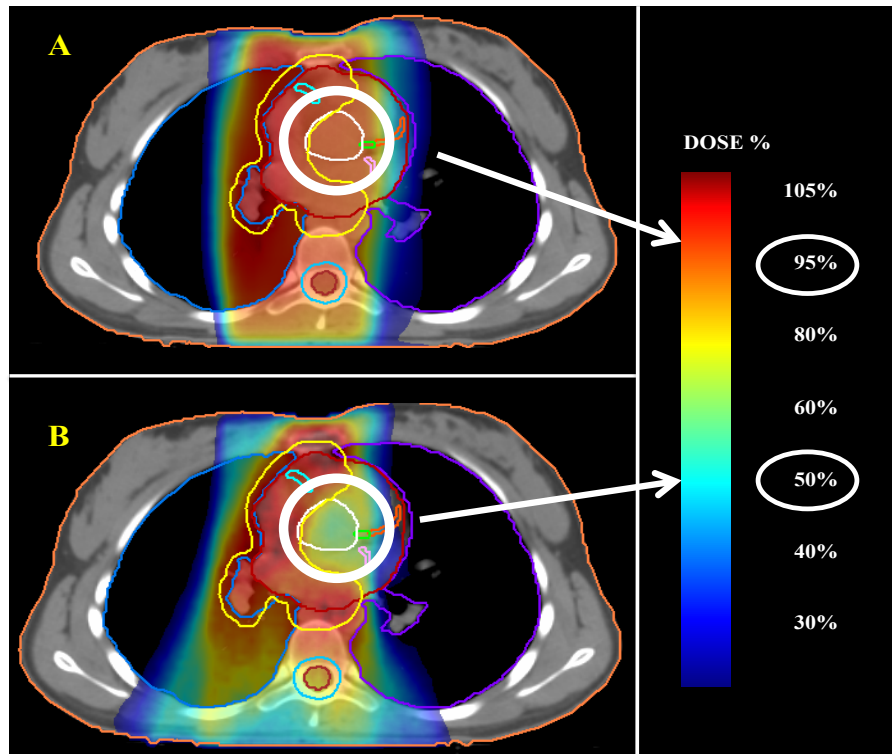
IMRT/VMAT/TOMO

IGRT



To be continued...

# MODERN TECHNIQUES PLAY A MAJOR ROLE SINCE WHOLE HEART DOSE CANNOT LONGER BE ENOUGH...

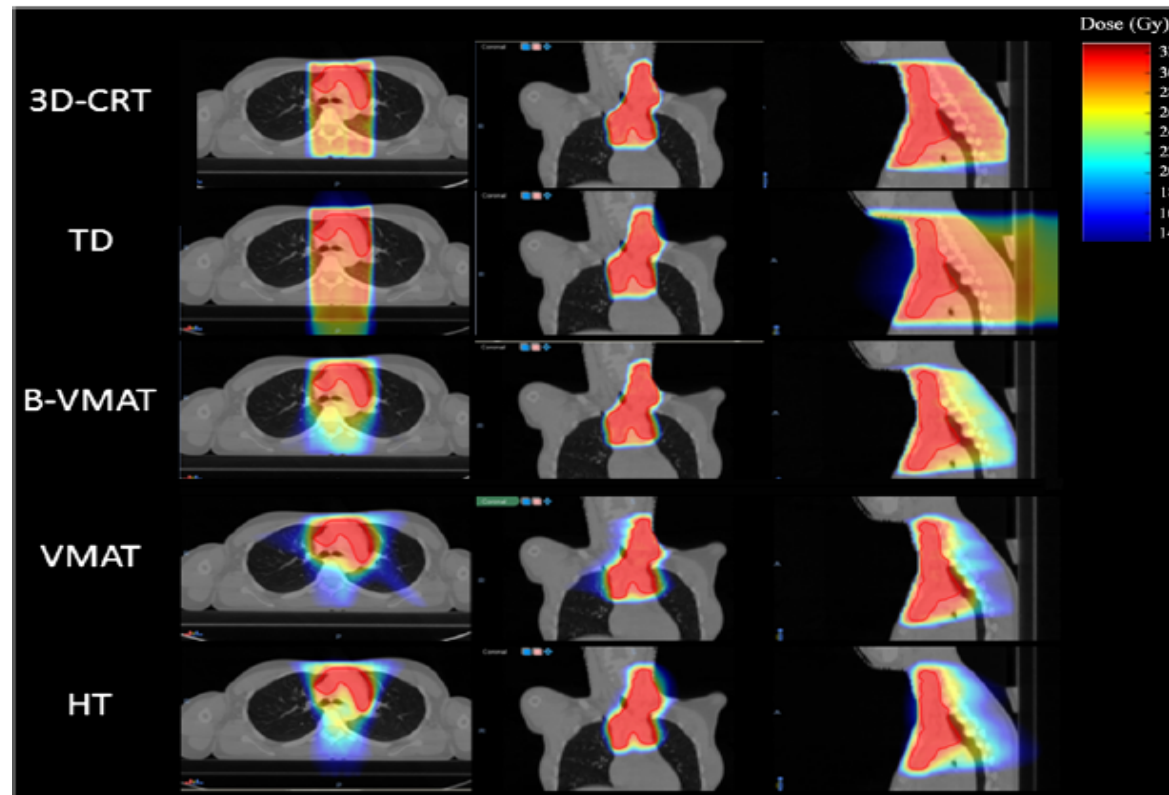


*Mean Heart dose similar for 3DCRT and VMAT but...*

With **VMAT** we achieve a better sparing of:

- aortic valve
- Left main
- Proximal left descending
- Proximal circumflex

# IMRT in HL: which technique is preferable ?



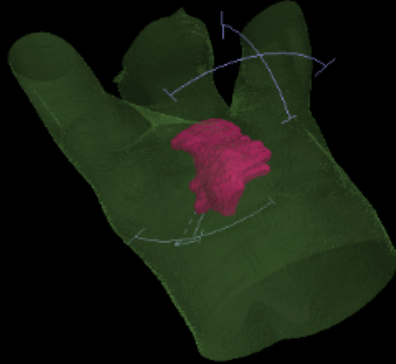
## Which technique is preferable?

- ❑ **There is no single proven best planning and delivery RT technique**
- ❑ **No two lymphomas are the same** with regard to localization and extent of disease
- ❑ The decision should be made at the **individual patient level**, depending on:
  - Age
  - Gender
  - Comorbidities and risk factors for other diseases
  - Dosimetric data adapted for lymphoma patients

**A**

**“Butterfly” VMAT  
(B-VMAT)**

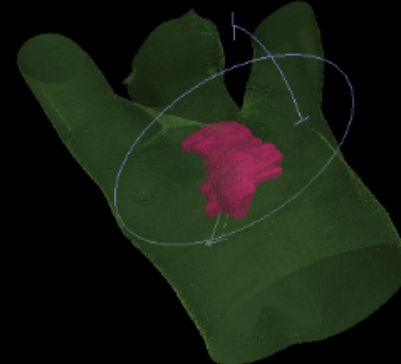
- 2 coplanar arcs of 60°
  - 1 anterior
  - 1 posterior
- 1 no-coplanar arc of 60°



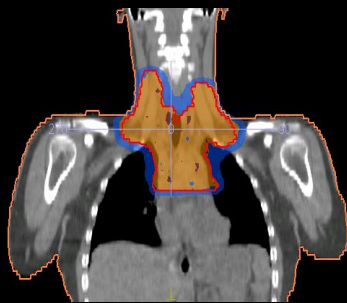
**B**

**Full Arc “Butterfly” VMAT  
(FaB-VMAT)**

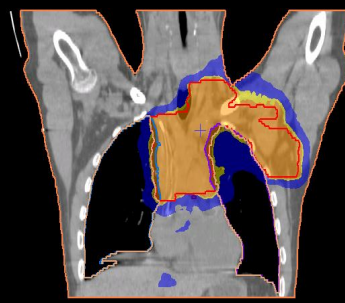
- 1 coplanar arc of 360°
- 1 no-coplanar arc of 60°



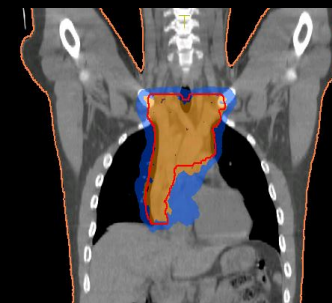
**Disease Presentation**



**A – mediastinum + neck  
(10 patients)**



**B – mediastinum + axilla  
(10 patients)**



**C – mediastinum alone  
(10 patients)**

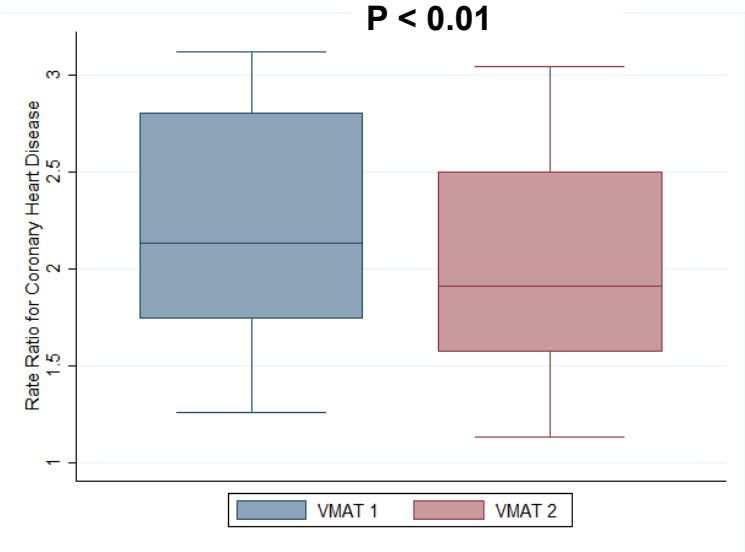
# RESULTS (Heart structures)

	STRUCTURE	PARAMETERS	B-VMAT (VMAT1)	FA (VMAT2)	p-value	
	<b>CORONARY ARTERIES</b>					
<i>In favor of FA-VMAT</i>	1, LEFT MAIN CORONARY	DMEAN (Gy)	19,5 ± 7,7	15,9 ± 7,5	<b>0,0001</b>	
		DMAX (Gy)	25,8 ± 5,9	21,6 ± 7,4	<b>0,0001</b>	
		2, LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING	DMEAN (Gy)	15,6 ± 9,0	13,2 ± 8,9	<b>0,0001</b>
			DMAX (Gy)	26,2 ± 8,5	21,9 ± 10,6	<b>0,0001</b>
		3, LEFT CIRCUMFLEX	DMEAN (Gy)	14,0 ± 8,6	10,7 ± 7,8	<b>0,0001</b>
DMAX (Gy)	22,7 ± 7,9		17,9 ± 9,0	<b>0,0001</b>		
4, RIGHT CORONARY	DMEAN (Gy)	17,0 ± 11,4	15,8 ± 11,6	<b>0,005</b>		
	DMAX (Gy)	23,1 ± 11,5	20,9 ± 12,6	<b>0,006</b>		
	5, CORONARY SUM (OVERALL)	DMEAN (Gy)	16,1 ± 9,3	13,5 ± 8,9	<b>0,0001</b>	
	<b>CHAMBERS</b>					
<i>In favor of FA-VMAT</i>	1, LEFT ATRIUM	DMEAN (Gy)	13,10 ± 6,73	11,11 ± 6,56	0,364	
		DMAX (Gy)	29,25 ± 6,04	28,40 ± 7,13	0,775	
	2, LEFT VENTRICLE	DMEAN (Gy)	4,2 ± 4,7	3,4 ± 3,7	<b>0,007</b>	
		DMAX (Gy)	25,6 ± 9,8	21,9 ± 11,1	<b>0,0001</b>	
3, RIGHT ATRIUM	DMEAN (Gy)	12,58 ± 7,29	11,9 ± 7,69	0,095		
	DMAX (Gy)	30,76 ± 5,46	30,74 ± 5,34	0,899		
4, RIGHT VENTRICLE	DMEAN (Gy)	7,3 ± 6,2	7,0 ± 6,1	0,17		
	DMAX (Gy)	31,1 ± 5,7	30,2 ± 6,9	0,08		
	<b>VALVES</b>					
<i>In favor of FA-VMAT</i>	1, AORTIC VALVE	DMEAN (Gy)	15,7 ± 9,0	13,2 ± 8,7	<b>0,0004</b>	
		DMAX (Gy)	23,3 ± 9,1	22,8 ± 10,0	0,42	
	2, PULMONIC VALVE	DMEAN (Gy)	19,91 ± 7,75	18,69 ± 7,92	0,153	
		DMAX (Gy)	28,35 ± 6,42	26,77 ± 7,06	0,135	
3, MITRAL VALVE	DMEAN (Gy)	8,97 ± 4,93	8,76 ± 7,48	0,939		
	DMAX (Gy)	19,94 ± 6,02	14,95 ± 10,37	0,232		
4, TRICUSPID VALVE	DMEAN (Gy)	9,74 ± 8,5	9,40 ± 9,70	0,809		
	DMAX (Gy)	16,86 ± 10,82	15,02 ± 11,7	0,068		

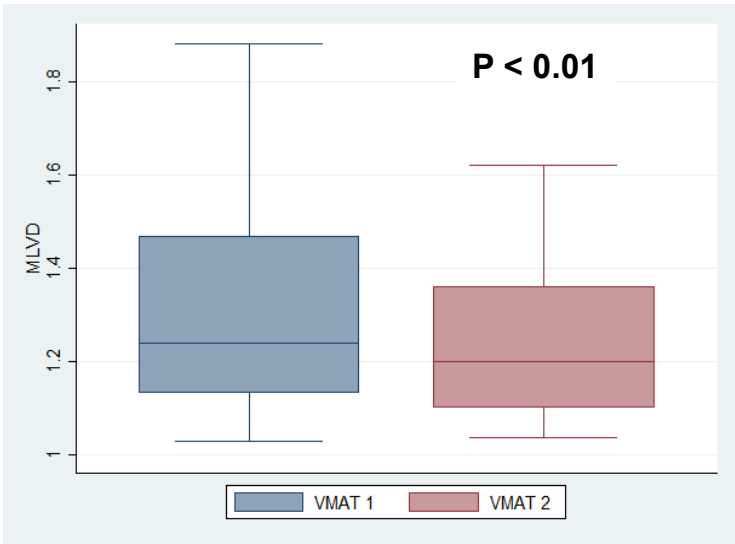


# Long term cardiac risk

## CAD risk



## CHF risk



# RESULTS (PTV and OARs)

	STRUCTURE	PARAMETERS	B-VMAT (VMAT1)	FaB (VMAT2)	p-value
	PTV	DMEAN (Gy)	30,4 ± 1,9	30,4 ± 1,8	0,694
		DMAX (Gy)	34,7 ± 2,1	34,6 ± 1,8	0,545
		V95 (%)	5,7 ± 5,2	5,4 ± 2,9	0,8
		V107 (%)	2,0 ± 1,0	2,0 ± 1,5	0,875
<i>In favor of FA-VMAT</i> →	LUNG	D MEAN (Gy)	7,5 ± 1,9	7,5 ± 1,7	0,954
		DMAX (Gy)	33,4 ± 2,2	33,7 ± 1,9	0,407
		V5 (%)	39,8 ± 9,5	41,1 ± 7,4	0,157
		V10 (%)	27,9 ± 7,3	27,5 ± 7,1	0,393
		V20 (%)	15,4 ± 5,9	14,4 ± 5,4	<b>0,008</b>
<i>In favor of B-VMAT</i> →	BREAST	D MEAN (Gy)	2,8 ± 3,0	3,5 ± 2,7	<b>0,033</b>
		DMAX (Gy)	27,2 ± 9,5	27,7 ± 9,4	0,53
		V4 (%)	16,6 ± 16,1	22,2 ± 15,5	<b>0,041</b>
<i>In favor of FA-VMAT</i> →	HEART	D MEAN (Gy)	7,6 ± 5,1	6,9 ± 4,8	<b>0,0028</b>
		DMAX (Gy)	32,8 ± 3,6	42,5 ± 5,5	0,34

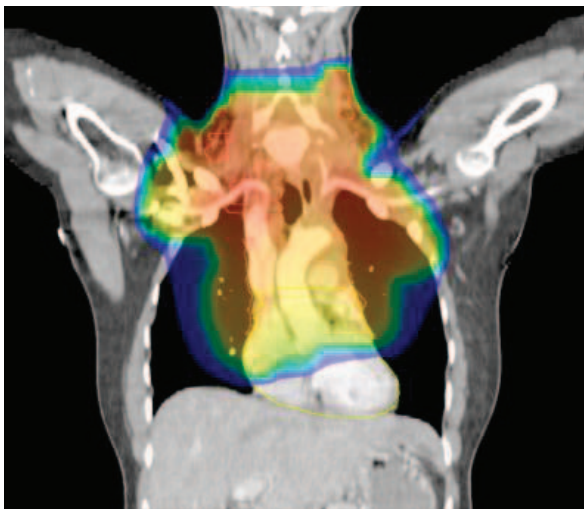


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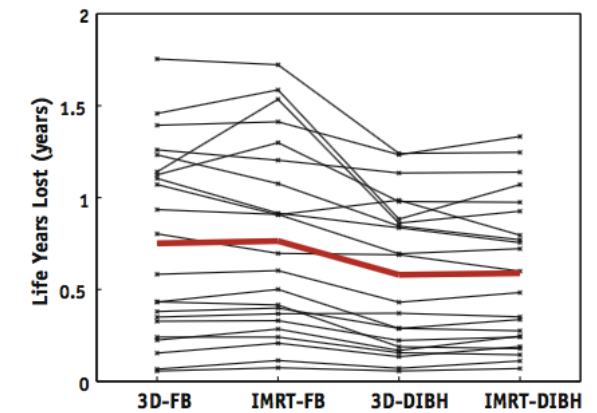
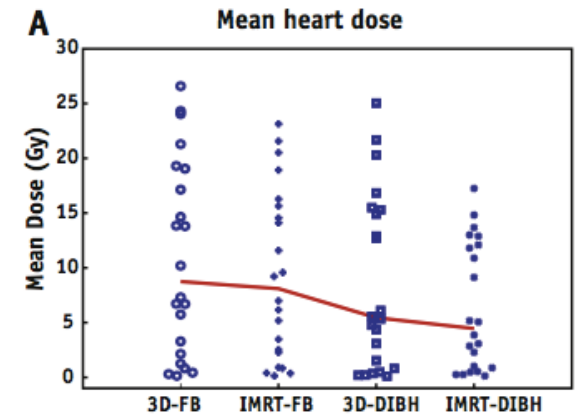
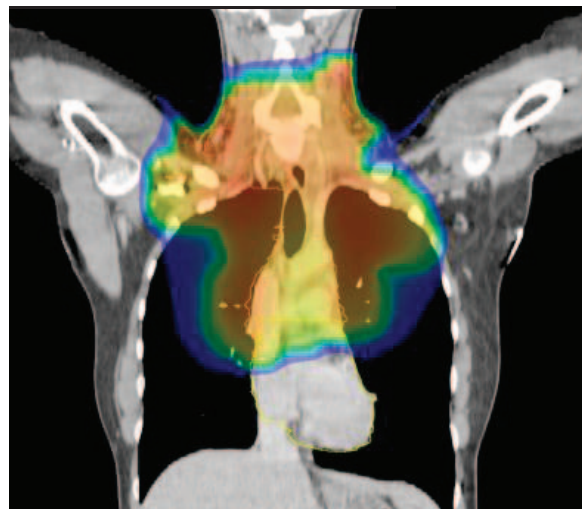
## ***RESPIRATORY GATING (DIBH) INTEGRATED TO MODERN TECHNIQUES***

# Minimizing Late Effects for Patients With Mediastinal Hodgkin Lymphoma: Deep Inspiration Breath-Hold, IMRT, or Both?

**FREE BREATHING**

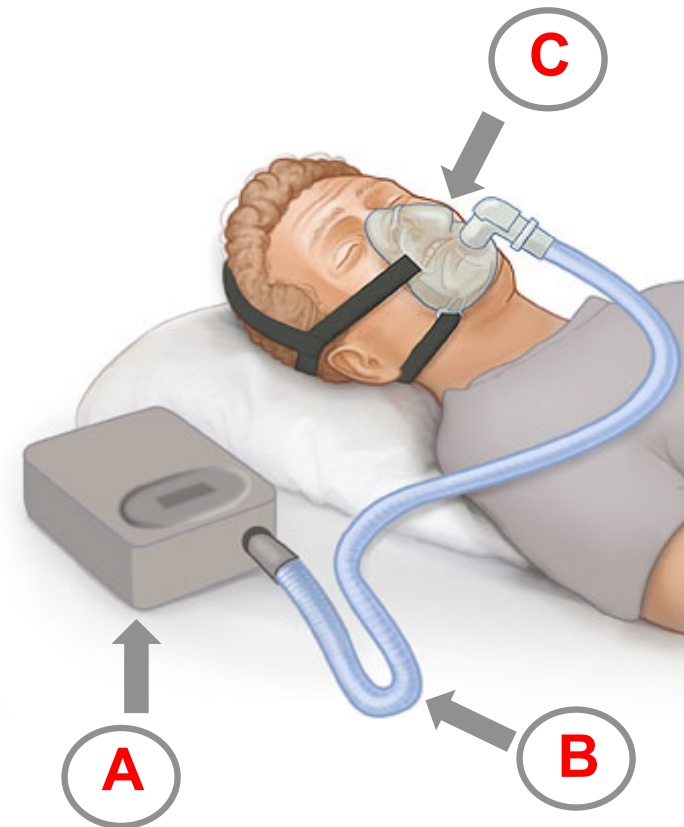


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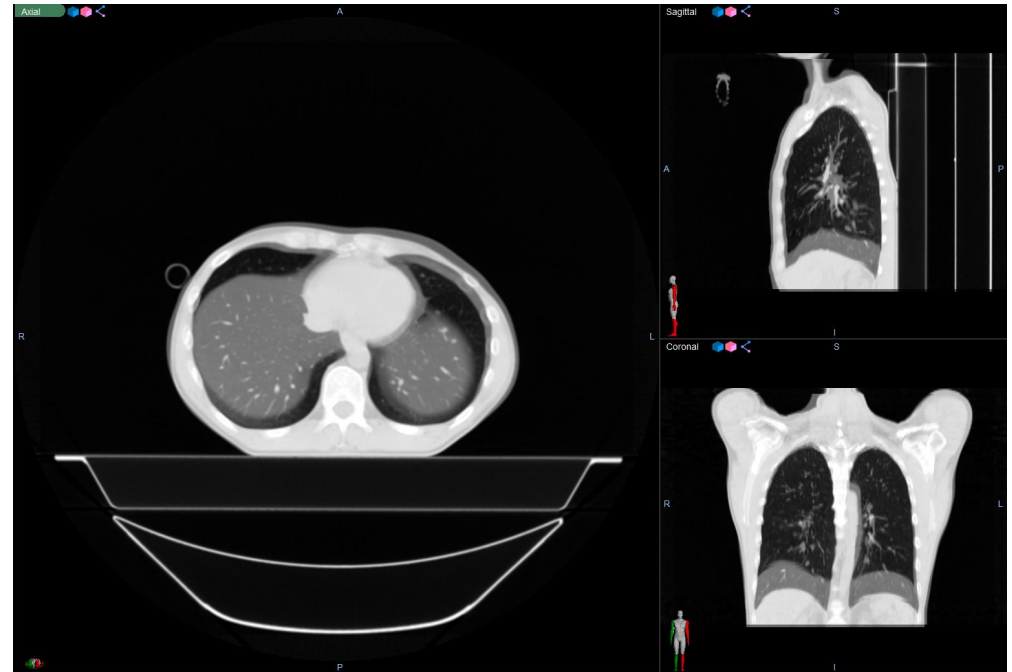
# Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (C-PAP): A valuable alternative way for “respiratory gating”?

- ❑ CPAP has long been safely used in patients with respiratory failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and obstructive sleep apnea (OSAS) to maintain airway patency.
- ❑ It provides a constant stream of pressurized air to the upper airways and lungs. The physiologic effects expected during CPAP are hyperinflation of the lungs, stabilization and flattening of the diaphragm, and decrease in tidal volume.
- ❑ **Components: air pump, tubing, facemask**



# Respiratory gating @ UniTo: C-PAP & Radiotherapy

- ❑ Prospective observational study
- ❑ HL and PMBCL with mediastinal involvement
- ❑ Airway pressure: 18 cmH<sub>2</sub>O
- ❑ Dosimetric comparison of 2 different VMAT approaches: FREE-Breathing vs C-PAP

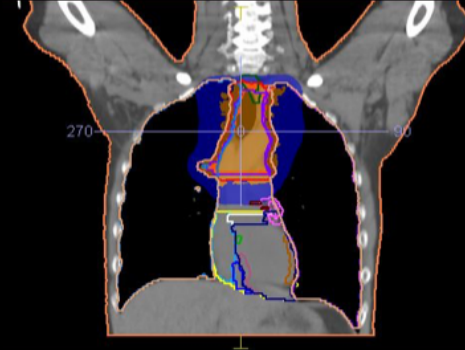
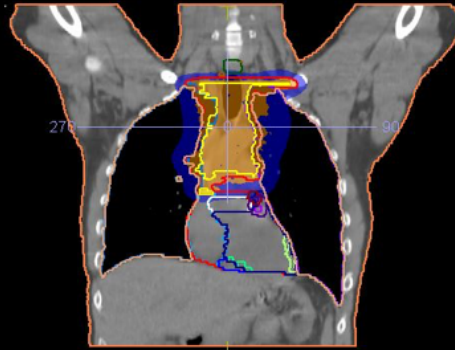


**Free-Breathing**

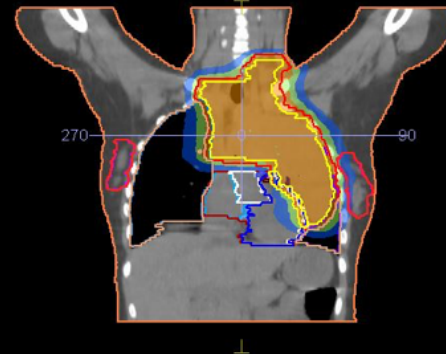
**With C-PAP**



**MALE  
PATIENT**

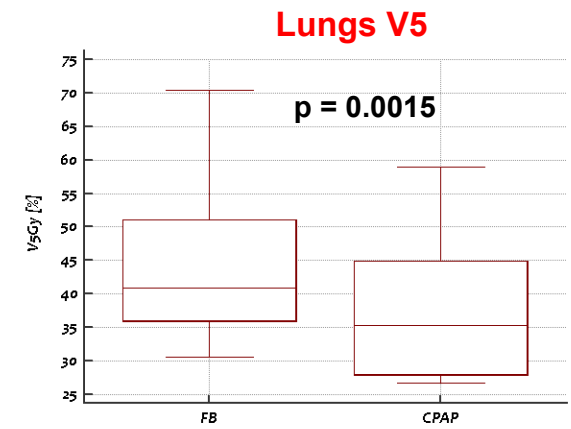
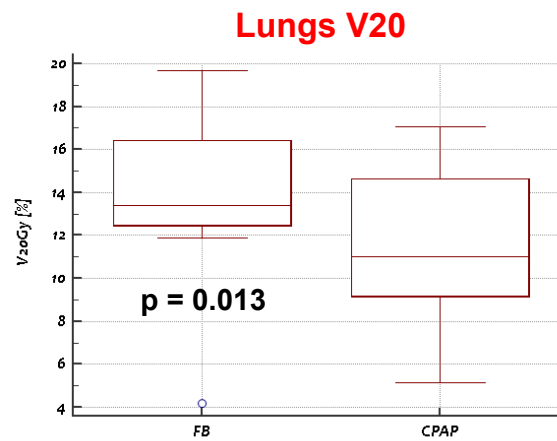
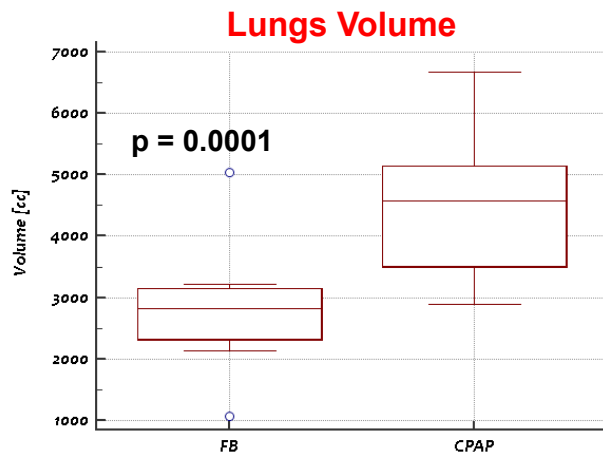


**FEMALE  
PATIENT**



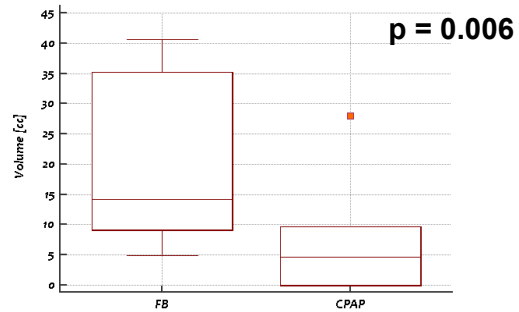


# DOSIMETRIC COMPARISON (Lungs)

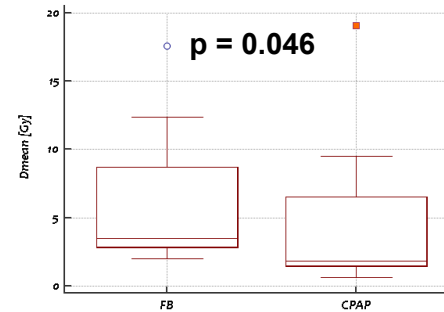


# DOSIMETRIC COMPARISON (Heart)

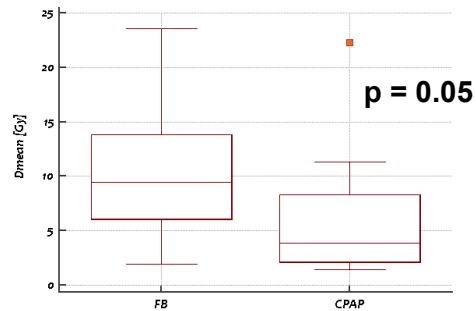
## Intersection PTV/Heart (cc)



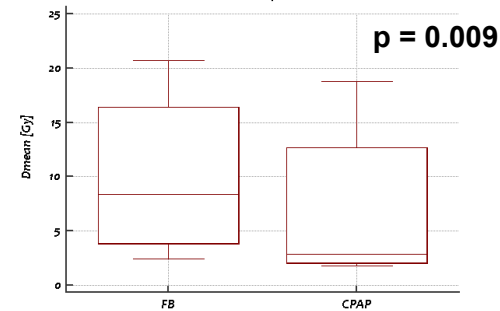
## Mean Heart Dose (Gy)



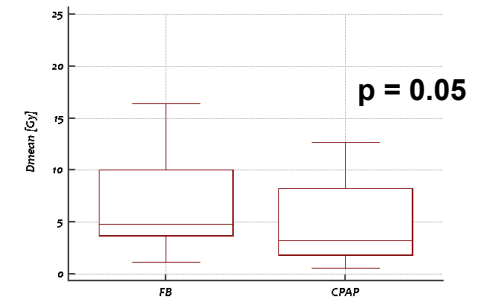
## Aortic Valve (mean dose)



## Circumflex (mean dose)



## Left descending (mean dose)



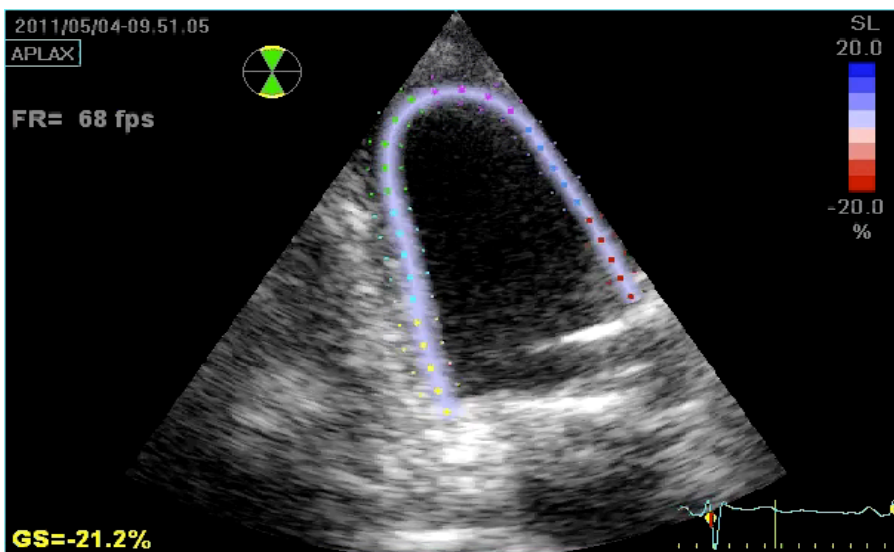
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## ***EARLY DIGNOSIS OF SUBCLINICAL “RIHD”***

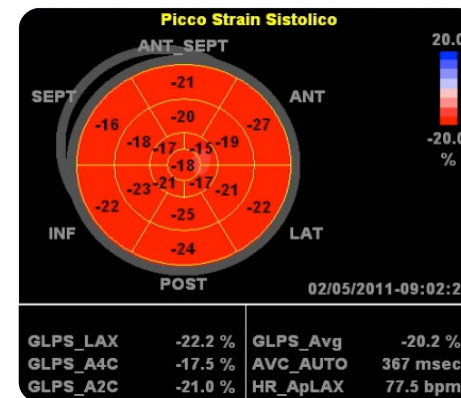
# THE "ONE MILLION DOLLAR" QUESTION

**DO WE HAVE ANY TOOL TO  
DETECT TREATMENT  
RELATED HEART TOXICITY  
IN A PRECLINICAL PHASE?**

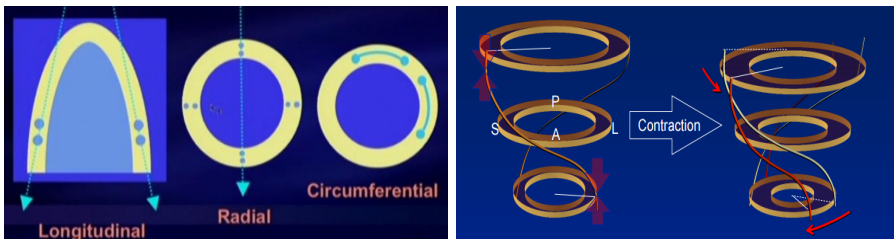
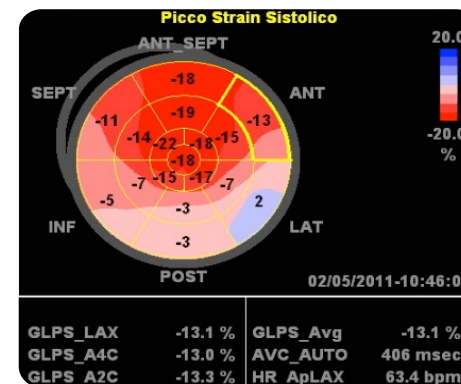
# Advanced Ultrasound Imaging 2D Global Longitudinal Strain – “SPECKLE TRACKING”



**Normal  
GLS systolic peak**

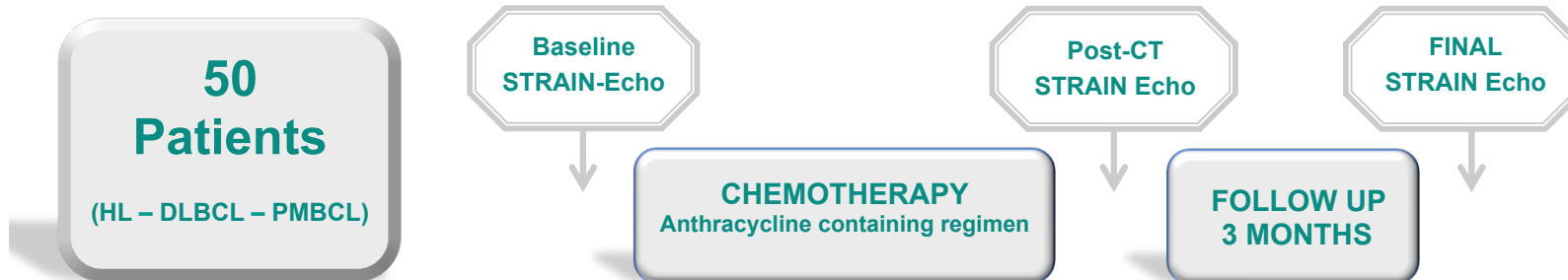


**After STEMI  
GLS systolic peak**

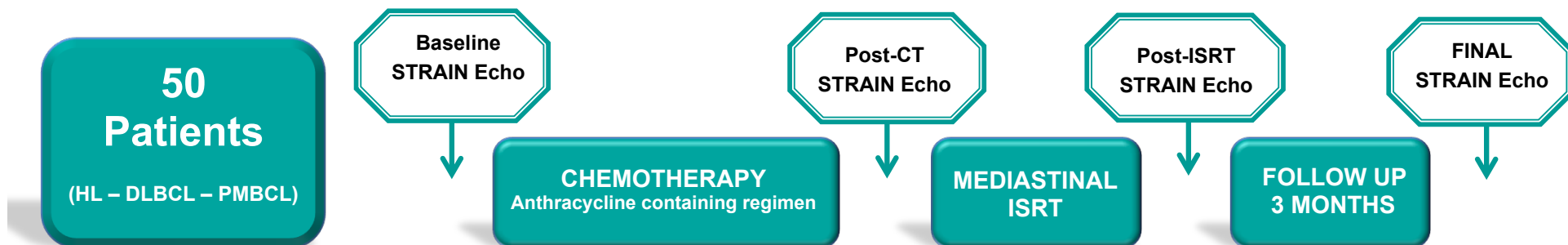


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## Cohort A: CHEMOTHERAPY ALONE

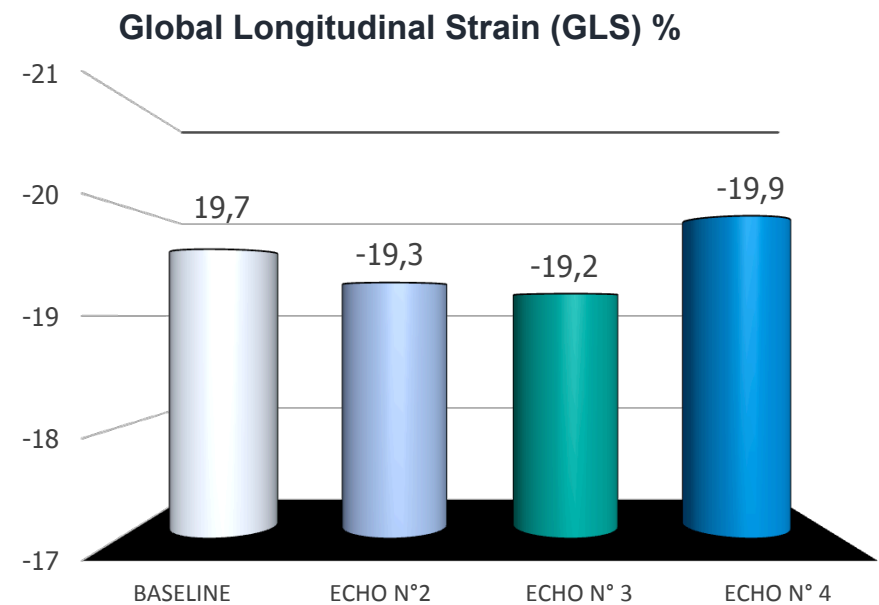
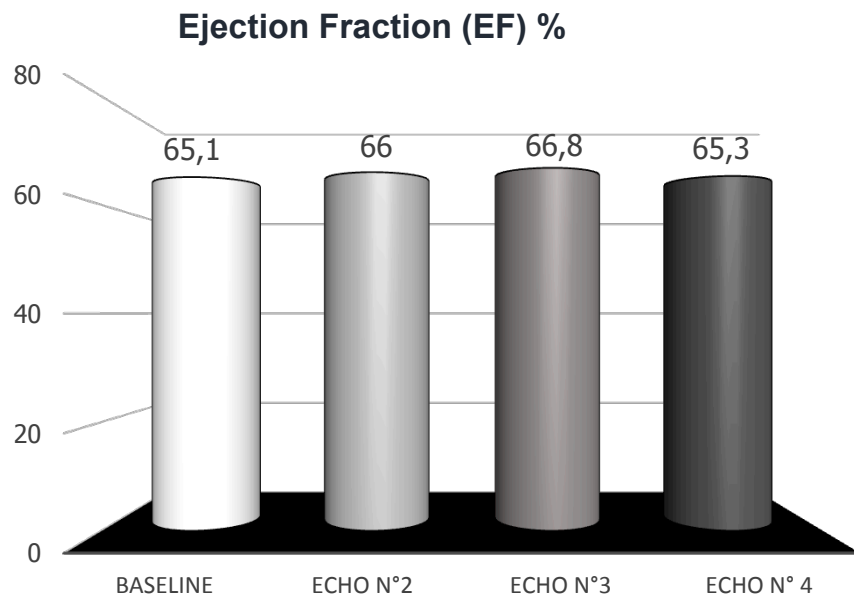


## Cohort B: COMBINED MODALITY TREATMENT



- ☐ Interim results on **52** patients
  - **24** in cohort A: Chemo alone
  - **28** in cohort B: Chemo + ISRT

## RESULTS (systolic parameters)

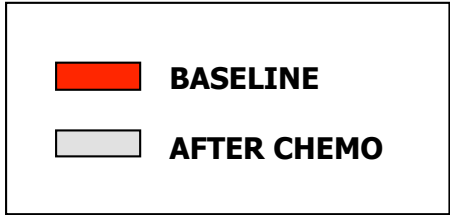
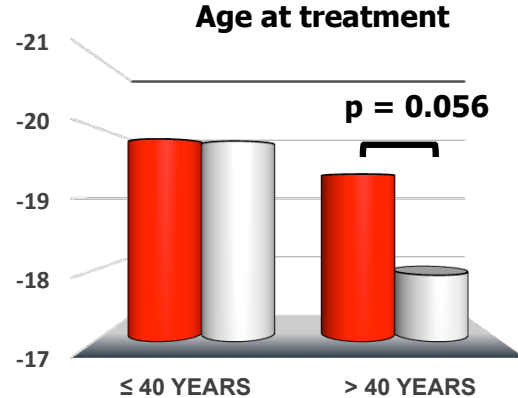
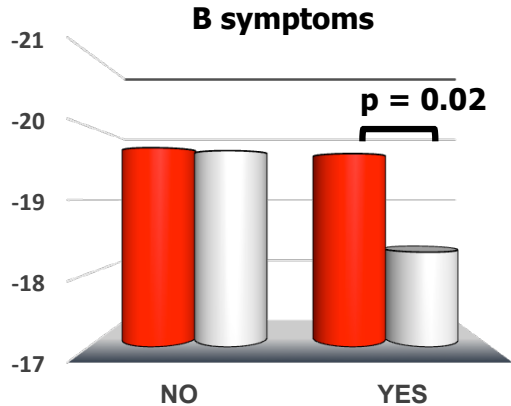
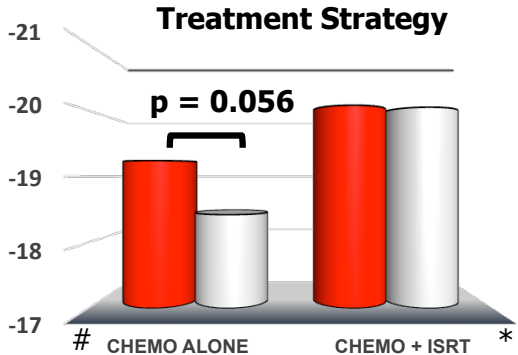
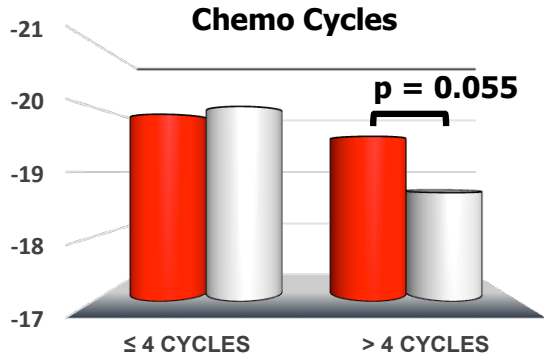


# RESULTS

(GLS changes after chemo)  
Subgroup analysis

# median anthracycline dose: 500 mg

\* median anthracycline dose: 400 mg



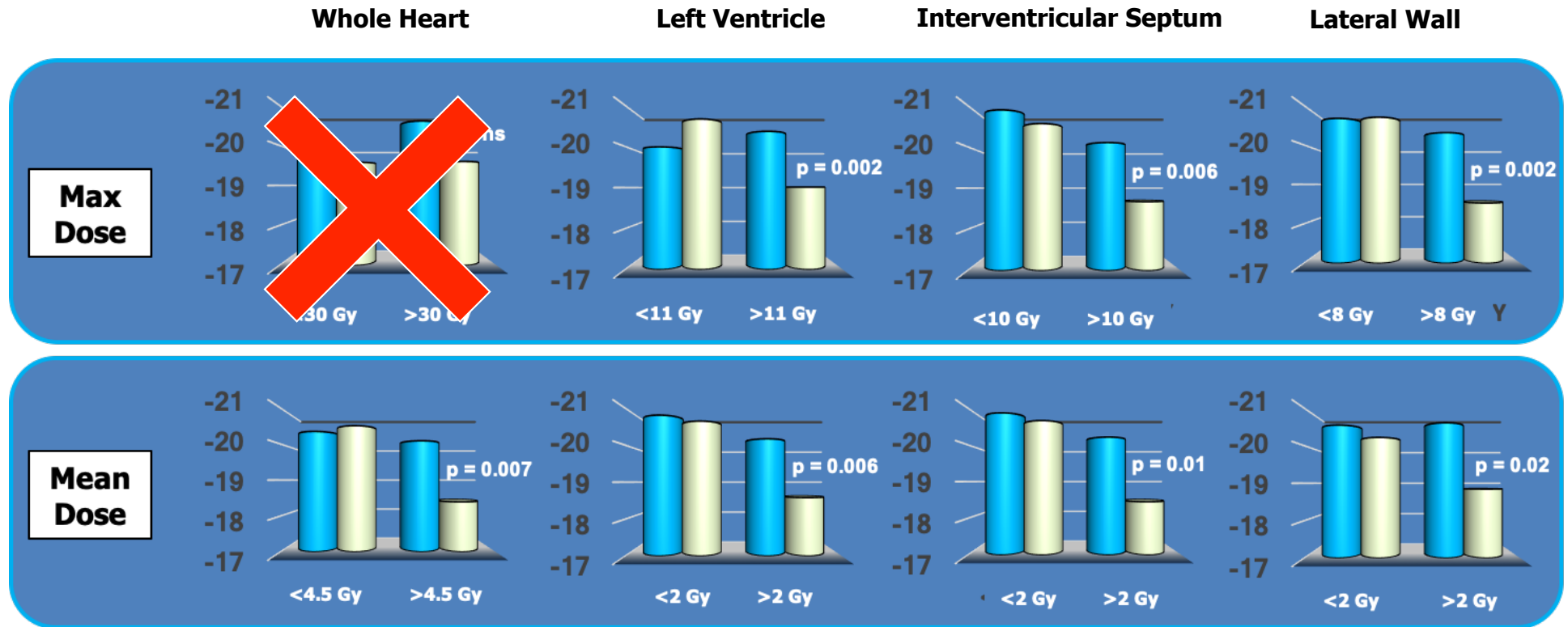
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# RESULTS

(GLS changes after ISRT) Subgroup analysis

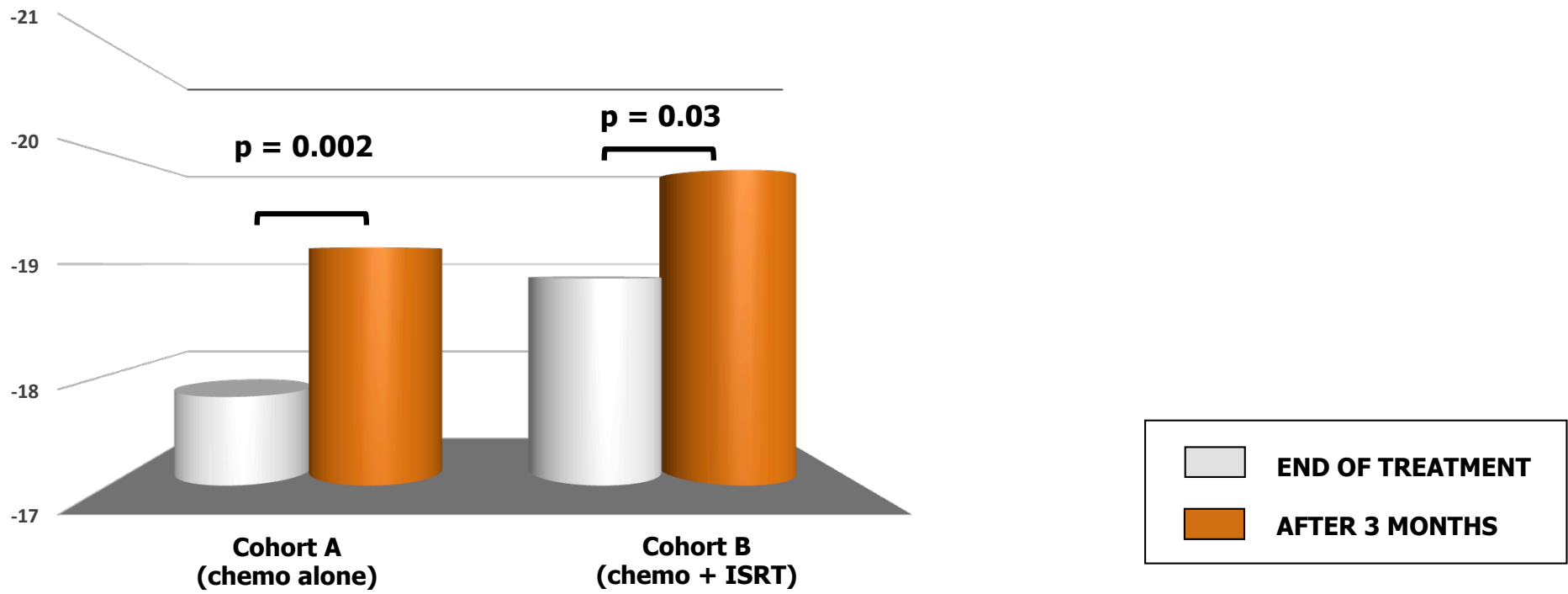
BEFORE ISRT  
AFTER ISRT



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# RESULTS

(GLS recovery 3 months after end of treatment)



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# CONCLUSIONS

- 1) Based on the published data, **THORACIC RADIATION THERAPY REPRESENTS A RISK FACTOR FOR LONG TERM CARDIAC EVENTS**, and all the clinicians involved in the management of these patients should be aware of this information
- 2) “Modern” radiotherapy is **PROBABLY LESS TOXIC** compared to “older” approaches, but we must wait many years to confirm this assumption
- 3) Actual and future directions include a strong effort to contour the organs at risk (particularly, the cardiac substructures) of patients receiving mediastinal irradiation in order to obtain **SPECIFIC AND CLINICALLY MEANINGFUL DOSE CONSTRAINTS**, based on a correlation with clinically relevant cardiac events.
- 4) Need for new tools to detect **CHEMO/RT INDUCED** heart toxicity in a **PRECLINICAL PHASE**



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HEART  
You  
Only  
Have One**