Image Guided Radiation Therapy – Edward Experience

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Outline

- PET/CT Simulation
- Manage Respiratory Motion 4DCT Simulation
- On Board Imaging

Challenges in Radiation Therapy

- Identifying the tumor
- Defining the tumor and target
- Hitting the target
- Knowing the tumor response to radiation

Imaging and image registration is the key for addressing these challenges

Imaging Techniques are Rarely Used "Solo"

- CT
- MR
- PET
- Ultrasound
- PET/CT Simulation
- 4DCT Simulation
- On Board Imaging

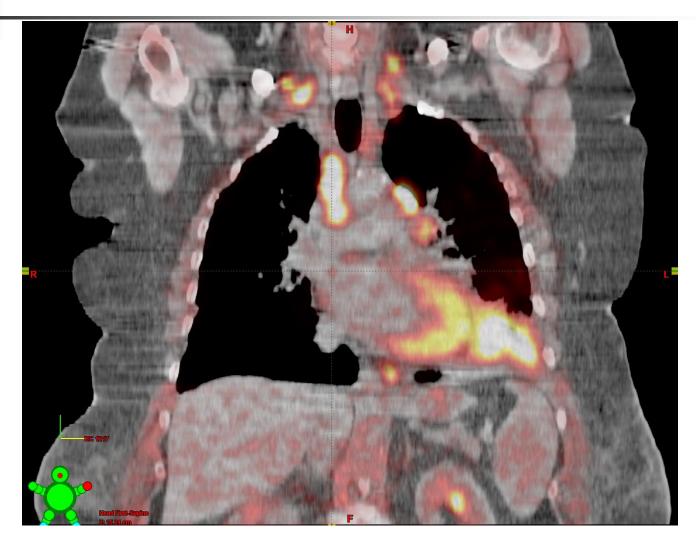
PET for Radiation Therapy Planning



Why PET/CT Simulation?

- Distribution of activity is imaged
 - Physiology, function, biology
- Complementary to (~ anatomic) CT and MR
- Increased sensitivity compared to CT alone
- PET and CT in the same treatment position
- Accurate PET/CT fusion

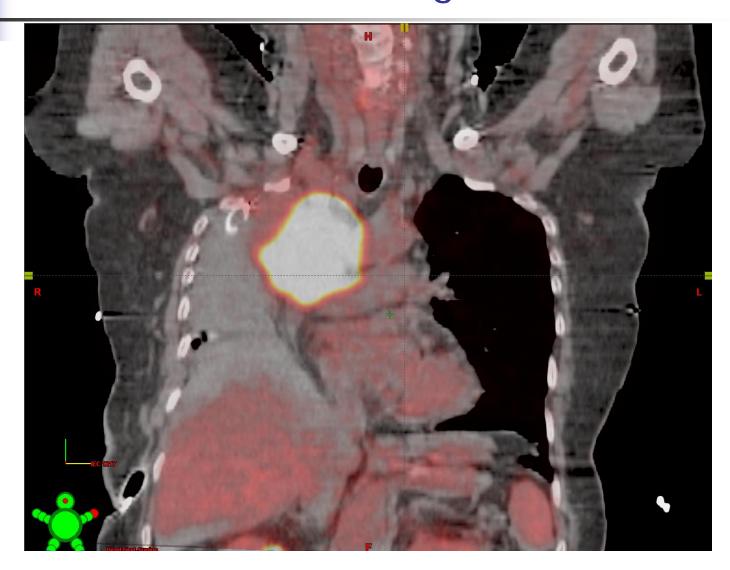
PET/CT Simulation



PET can Decrease Target Volume



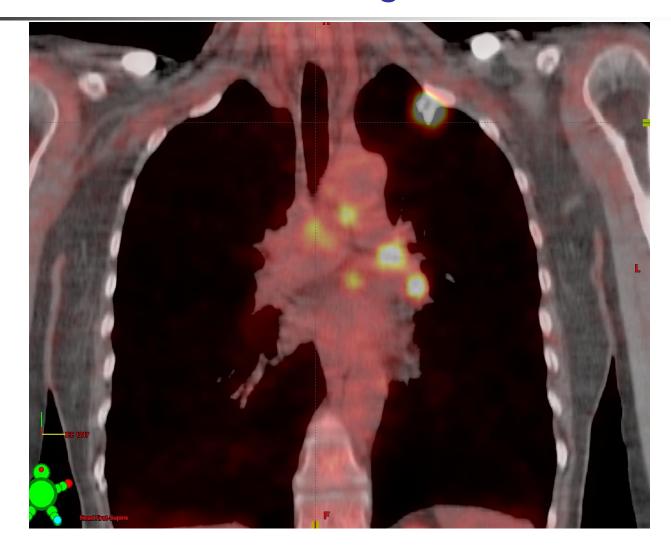
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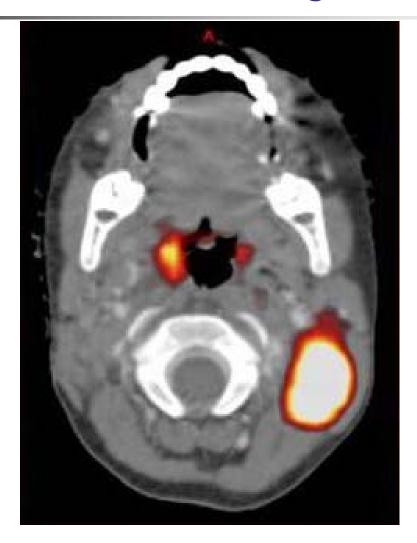
PET can Increase Target Volume



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Are they Moving?

More Challenges in Radiation Therapy

- Identifying the tumor
- Defining the moving tumor and target
- Hitting the moving target
- Knowing the tumor response to radiation

Types of Motion

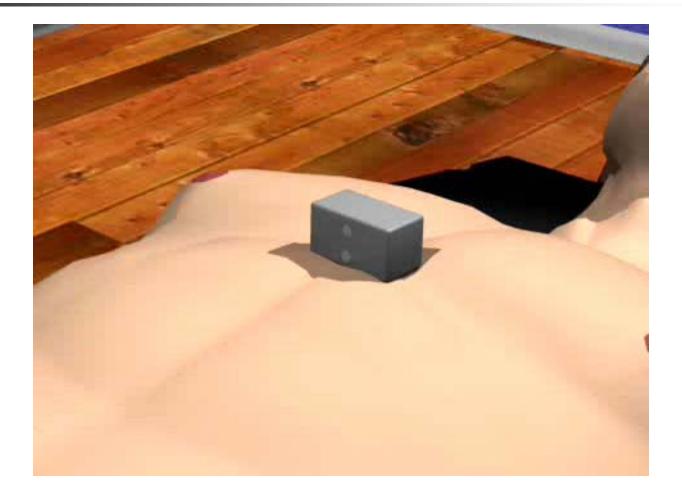
- Intra-fraction
 - Within each fraction (example: lung)
- Inter-fraction
 - Between fractions (example: prostate)
- Combined with deformation
 - Example: pancreas

How to Monitor Breathing?

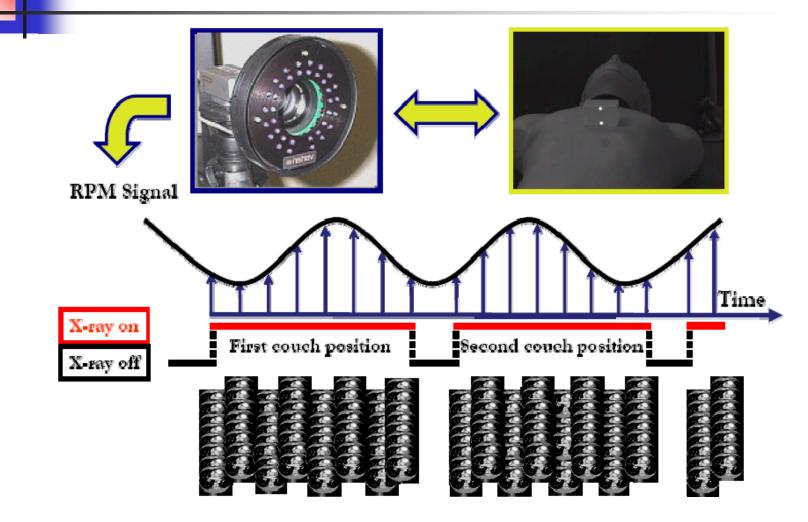
- Chest / abdomen height
 - Varian RPM System
- Belt based
 - Anzi Medical System (pressure based belt)
 - Philips (pneumatic belt)
- Metric spirometry

Varian RPM

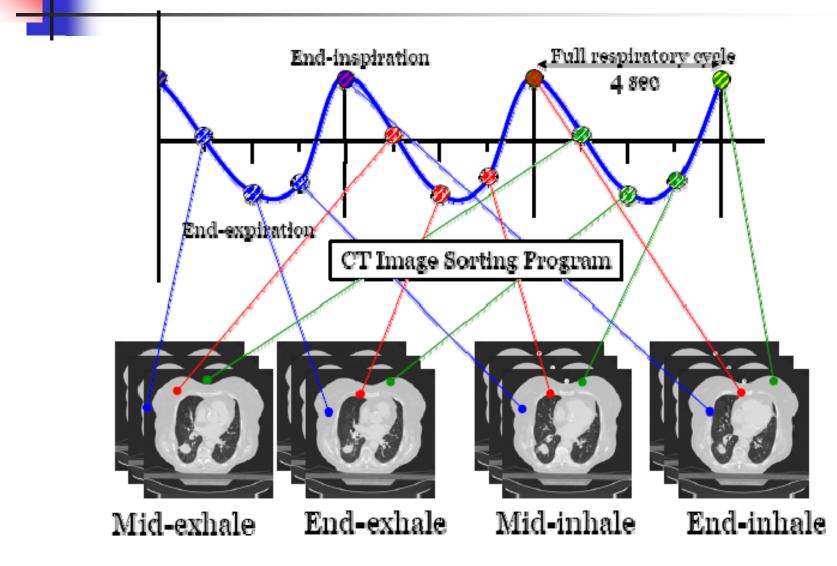


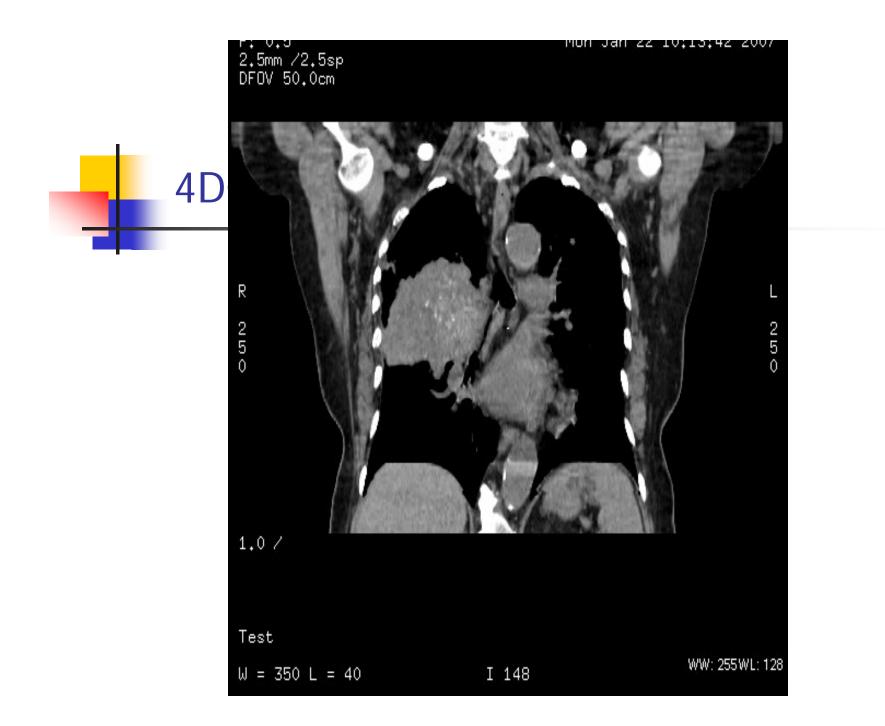


4D CT Imaging



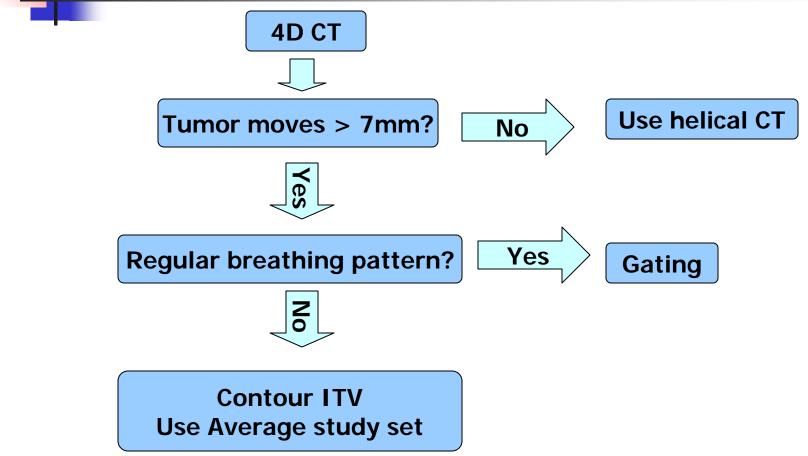
4DCT Image Sorting

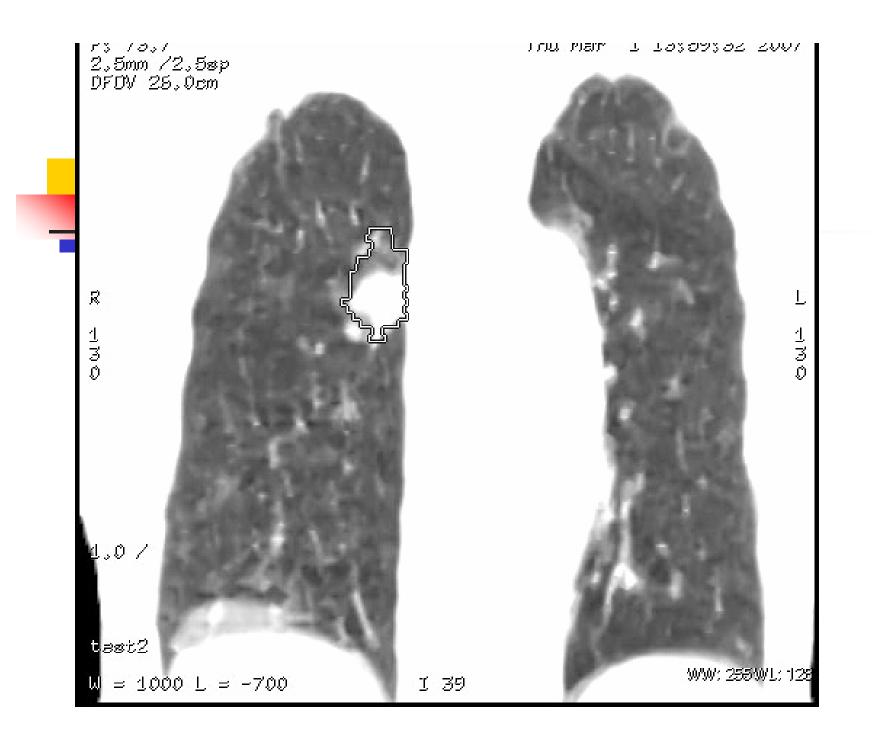




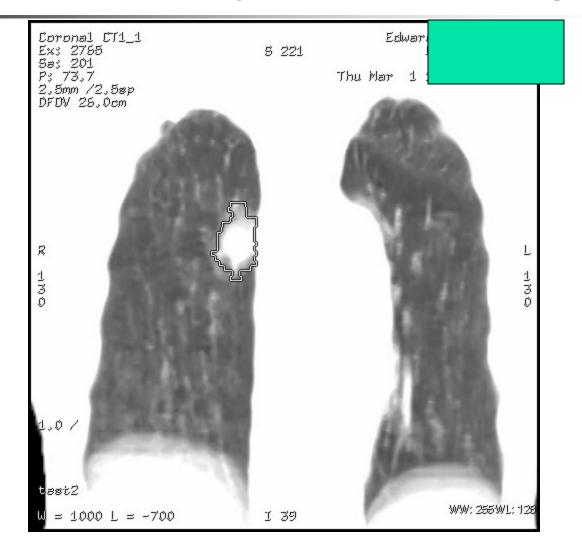


Manage Respiratory Motion



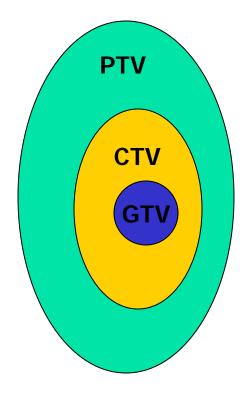


ITV on Ave Study Set for Planning



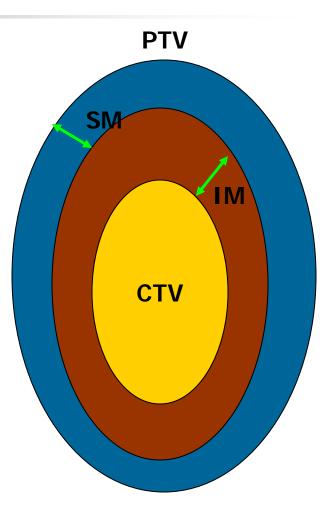
ICRU 62 Target Volume Delineation

- GTV Gross Tumor Volume
- CTV Clinical Target Volume
- PTV Planning Target Volume



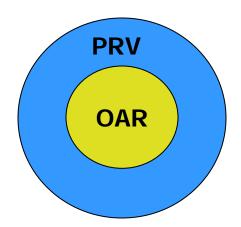
ICRU 62 Target Volume Delineation

- PTV = CTV + IM + SM
 - IM Internal Margin, due to physiologic variations
 - SM Setup Margin, due to technical factors

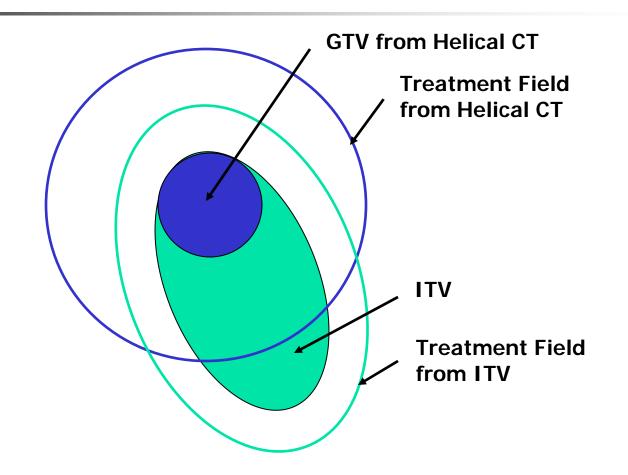


ICRU 62 Definition

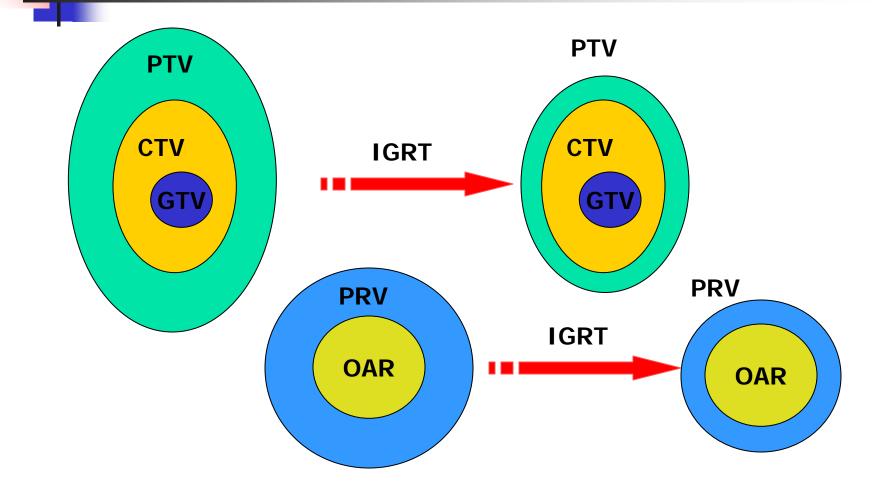
- OAR Organ at Risk
- PRV Planning Organ at Risk Volume
 - Margin added to OARs



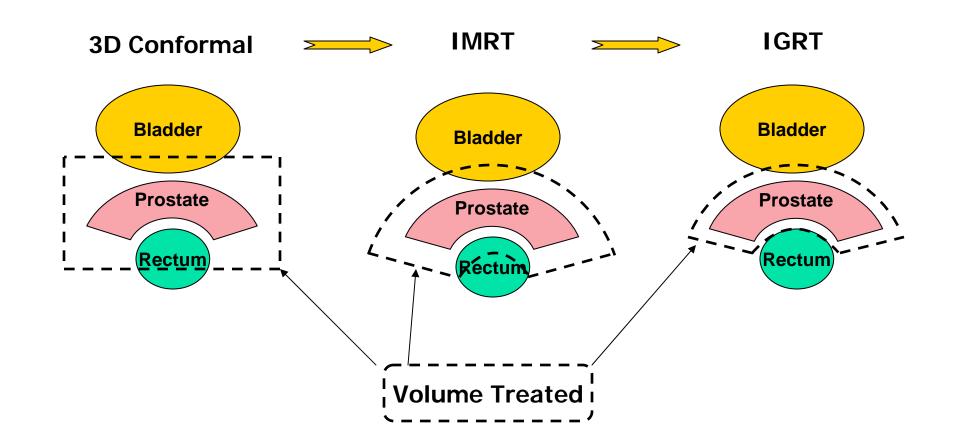
ITV ---- Customized Target Volume



IGRT can Reduce Internal Margin, Setup Margin, and Margin to OAR







On Board Imager – Varian Trilogy



Image Matching

- 2D-2D matching of OBI images to DRRs
 - Anatomy matching
 - Implanted fiducials
- 3D-3D cone beam CT image match to treatment planning CT images
 - Anatomy matching
 - Structure set alignment of GTV, CTV, PTV, or contoured structures to acquired image

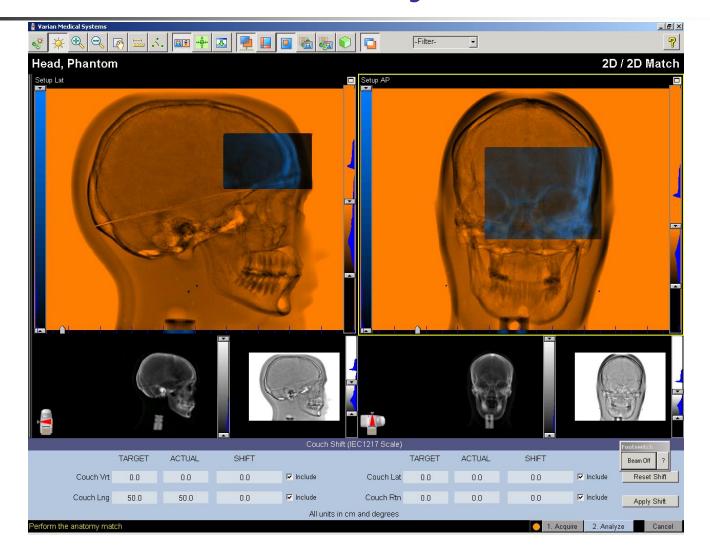
2D-2D Image Match

- Orthogonal pair of images
 - AP and Lateral Brain, H&N
 - Orthogonal Oblique's Pelvis

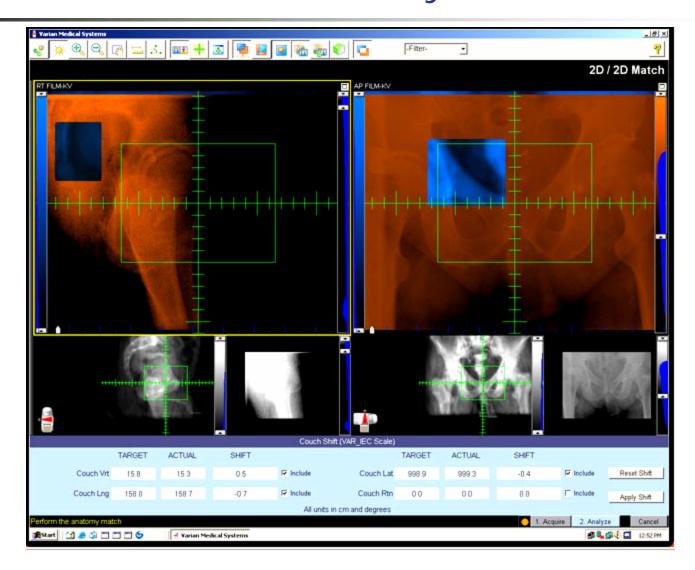
Brain: 2D-2D Anatomy Match



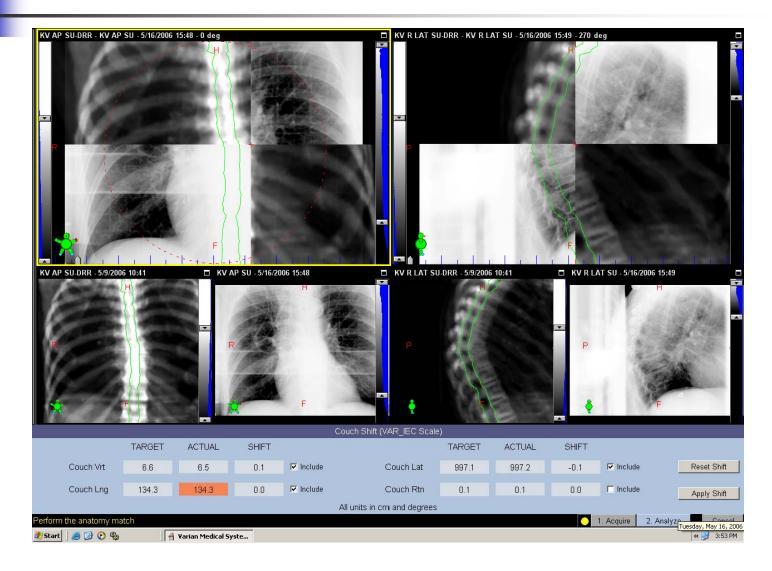
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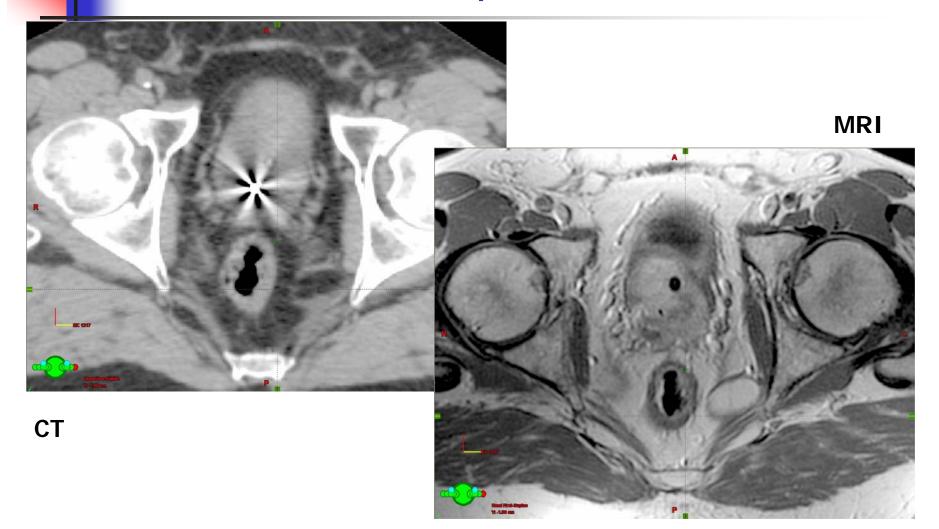
Pelvis: 2D-2D Anatomy Match



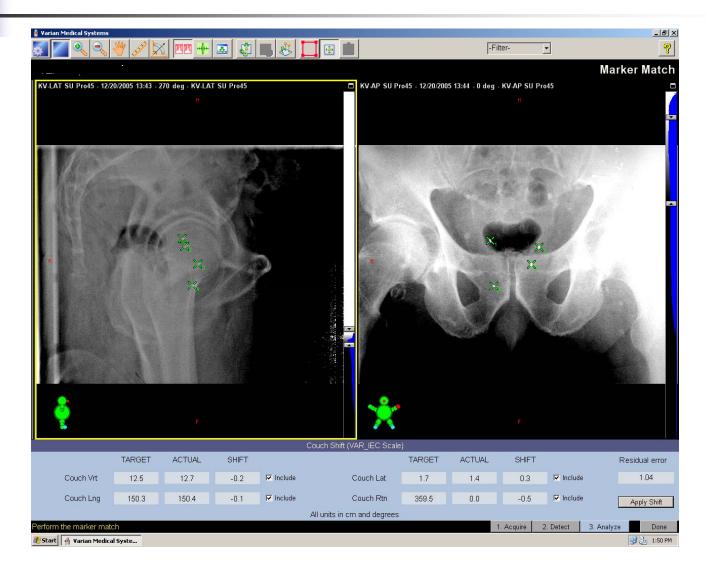
Spine: 2D-2D Anatomy Match



Prostate with Implanted Markers



Prostate Implanted Marker Match



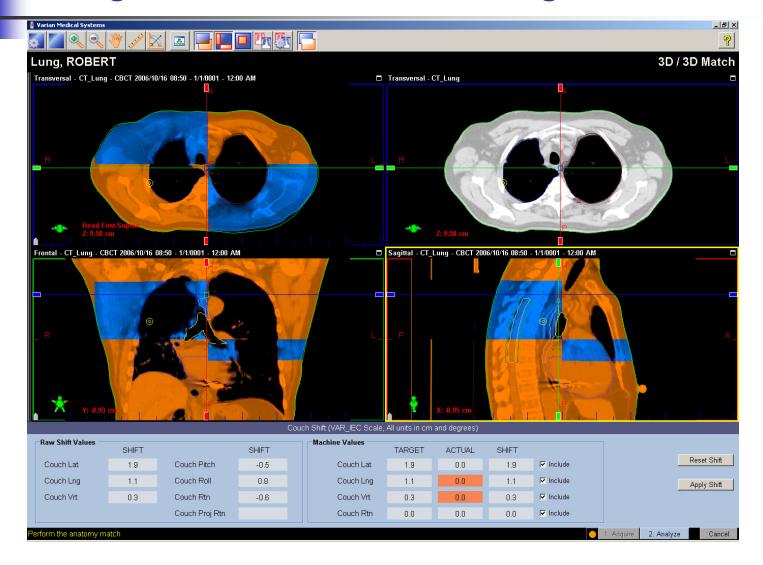
Prostate Implanted Marker Match



Lung CBCT – before matching



Lung CBCT – matched images



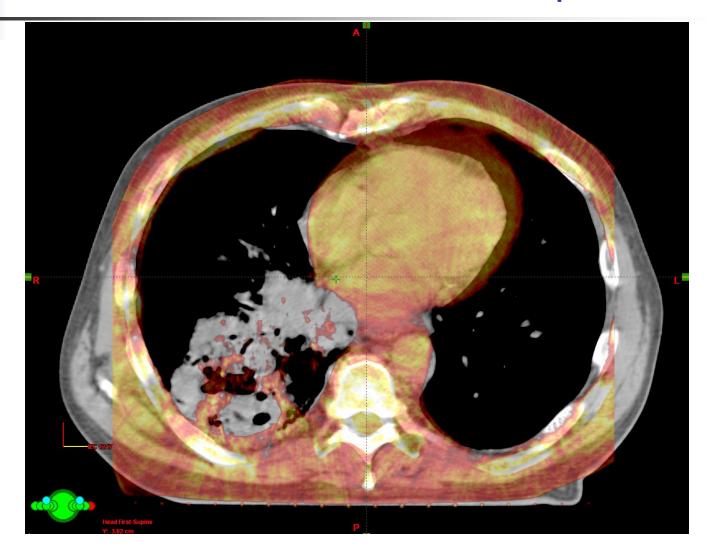
H&N CBCT 3D-3D Match



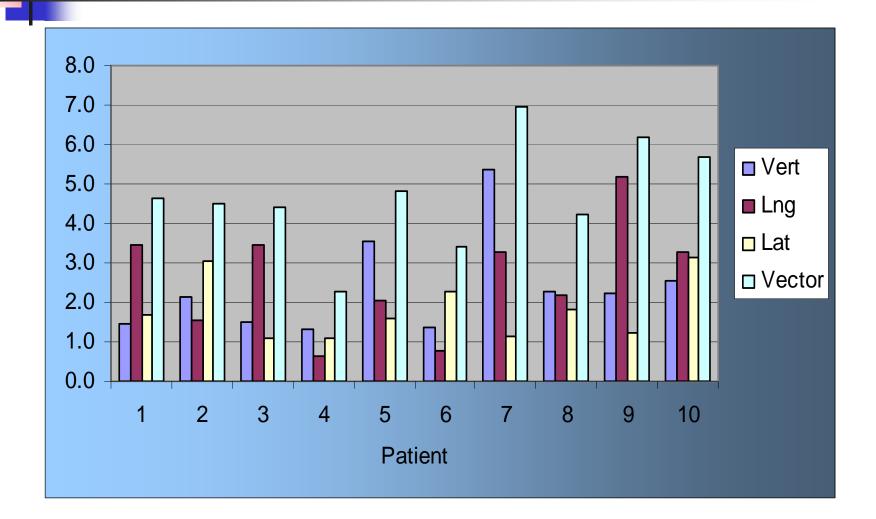
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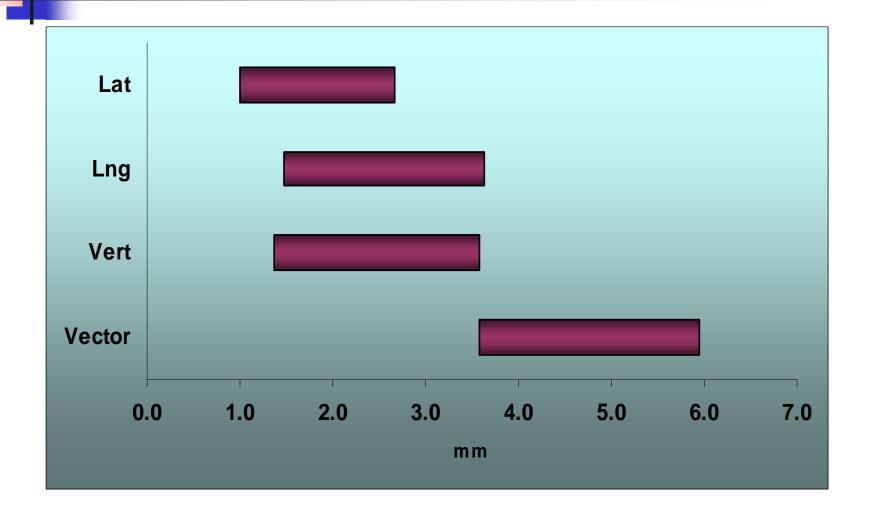
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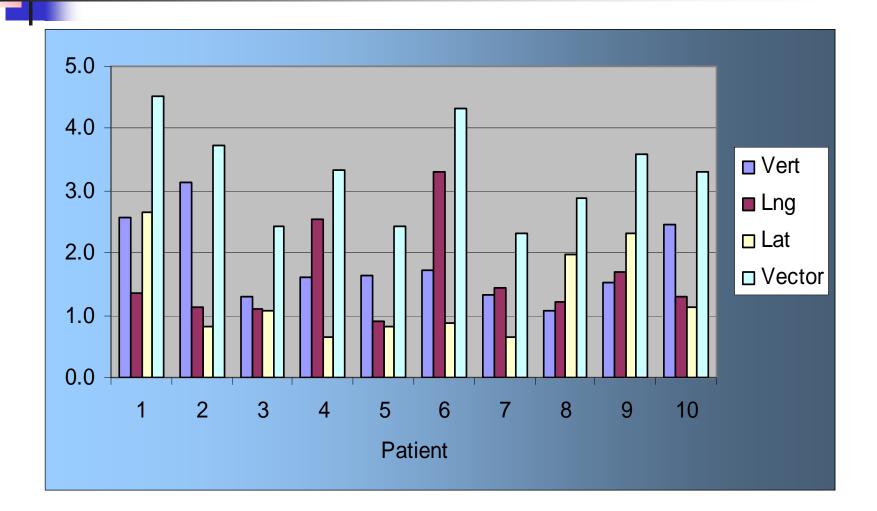
Average Shifts for Prostate



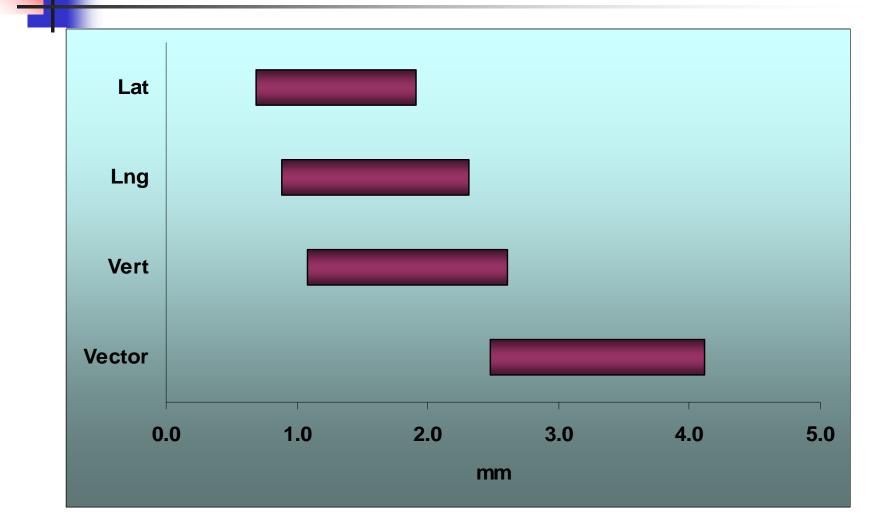
Average Shifts for All Prostate Patients



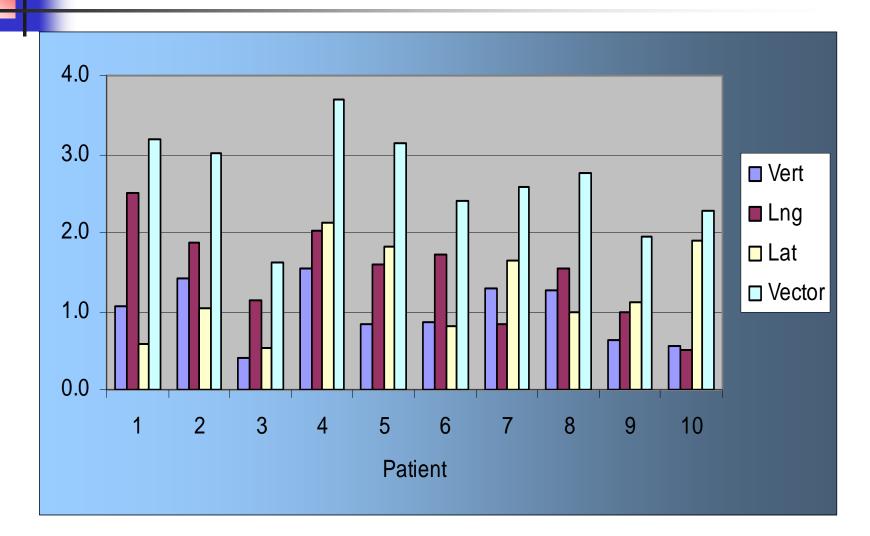
Average Shifts for GBM



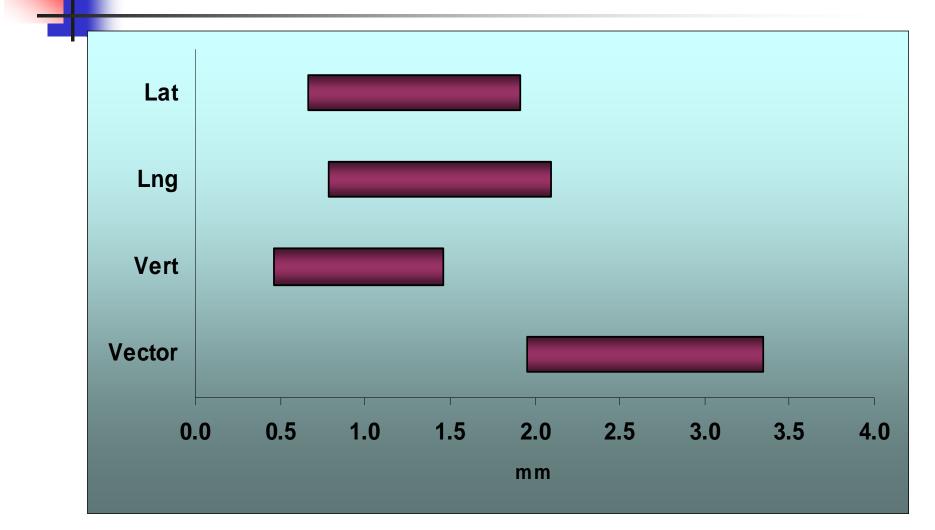
Average Shifts for All GBM Patients



Average Shifts for H&N



Average Shifts for All H&N Patients



Average Shifts + 2 X Standard Deviation

Site	Vert	Lng	Lat	Vector
Prostate	6.9	6.9	5.2	9.5
Prostate Bed	5.4	6.1	4.6	7.9
Brain (GBM)	4.9	4.5	3.7	6.6
H&N	3.0	4.1	3.8	5.4
Lung	5.8	10.1	6.1	11.3
Pancreas	8.6	10.5	6.9	13.3

IGRT Action Levels

– Require Physician/Physics Review

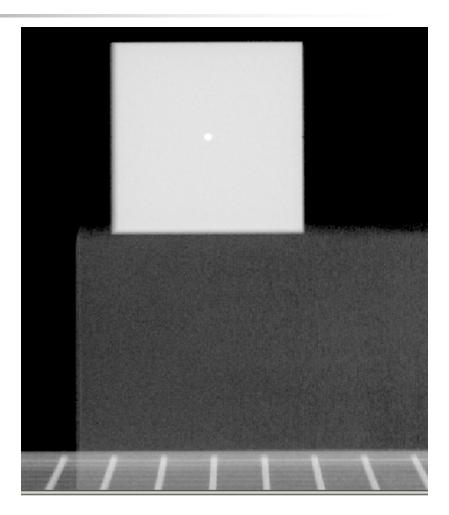
Prostate (Fiducials or Clips)	7 mm
GBM	5 mm
H&N	4 mm
Other (Lung, Pancreas, etc)	10 mm

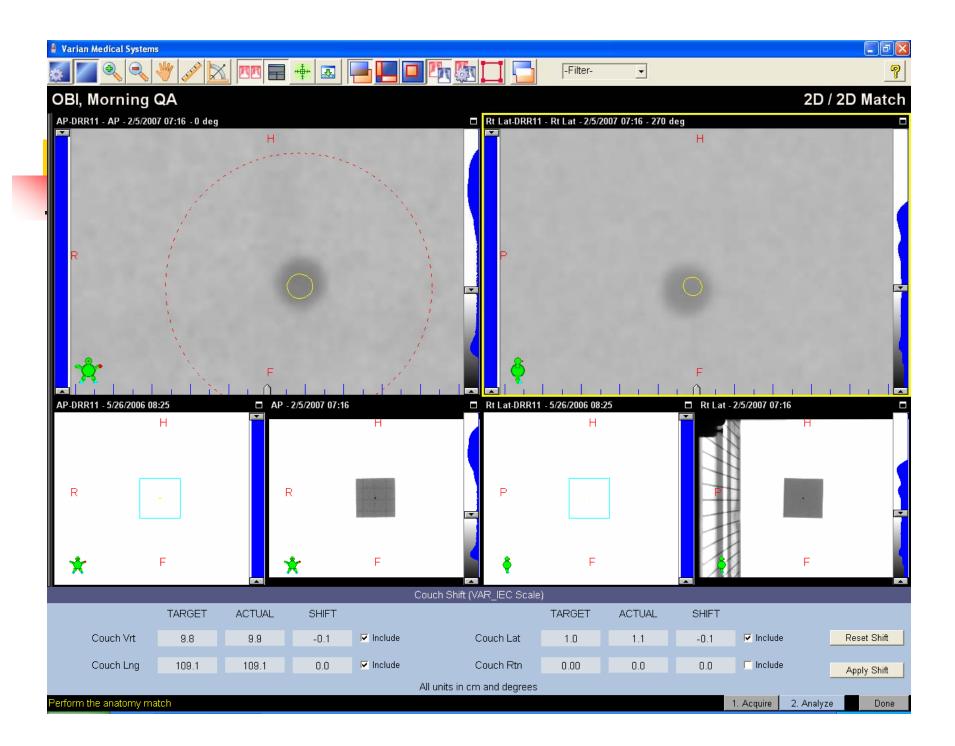
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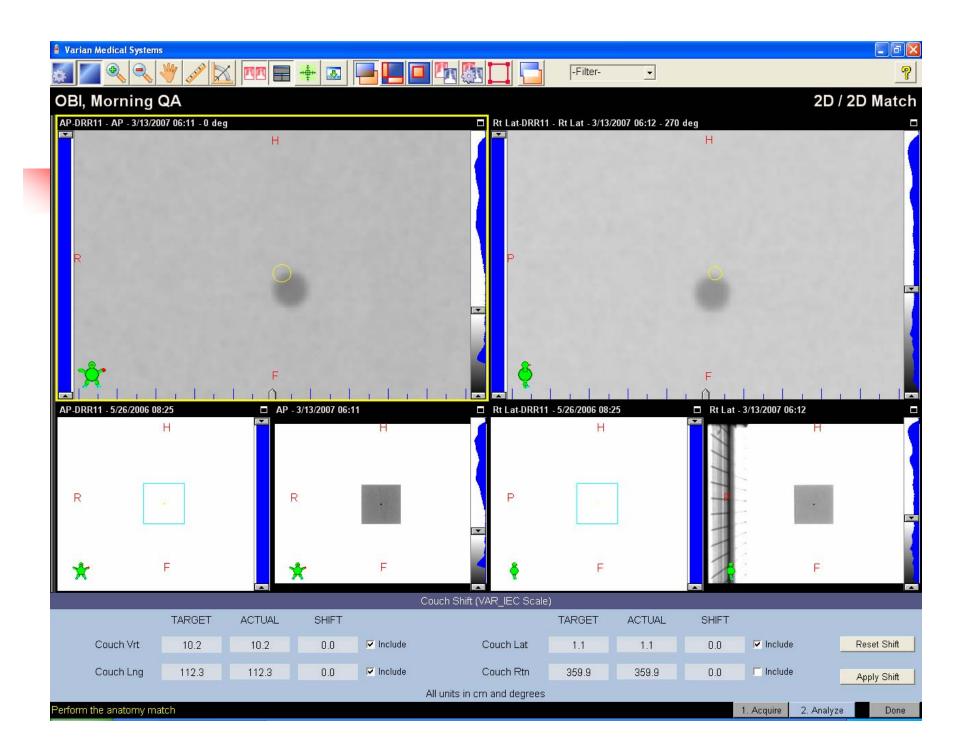
- Daily QA
 - Couch shifts with KV images
- Monthly QA
 - KV image isocenter alignment
- Annual
 - CBCT isocenter alignment



 Couch Shift Accuracy with KV Imaging

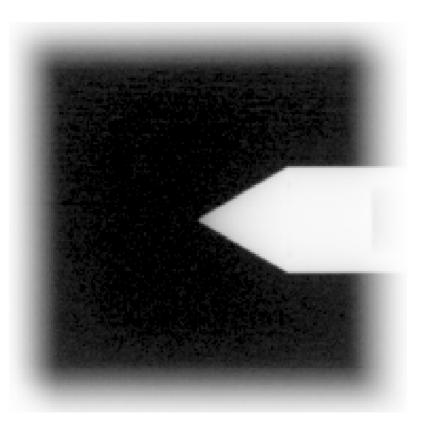




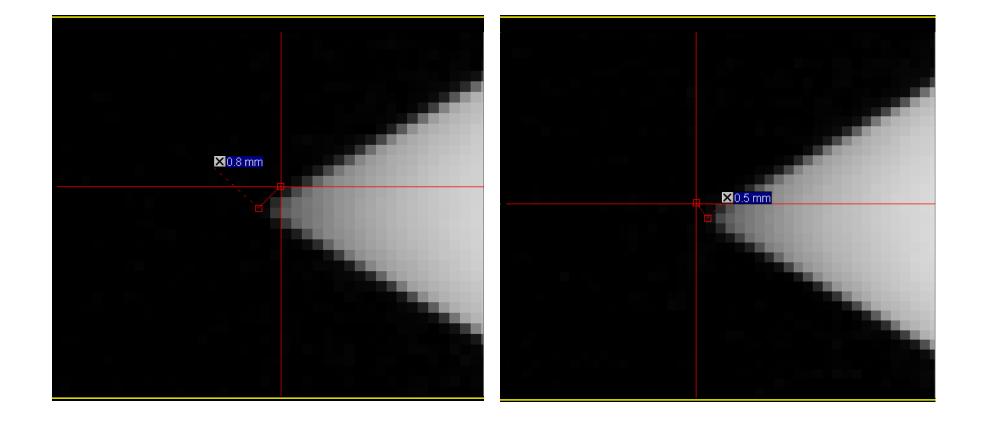




KV Image -Isocenter Alignment



KV Image – Isocenter Alignment



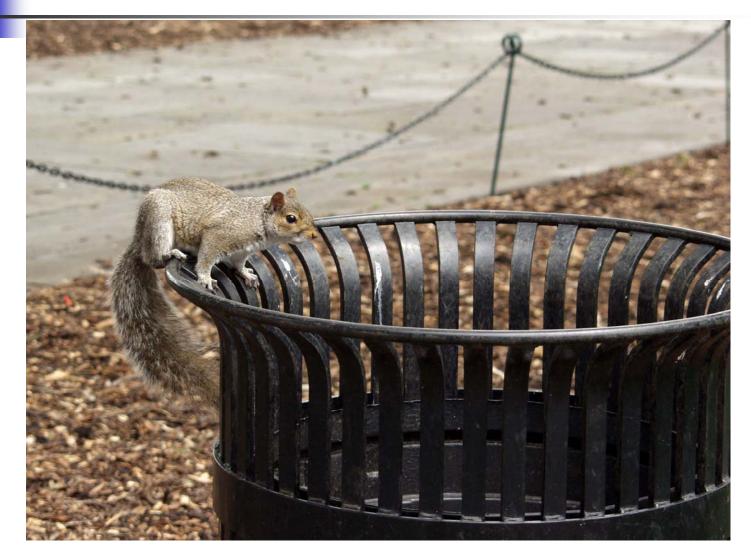
OBI - Some Limitations

- CT resolution and quality of DRR's are limiting factors
- Fiducial artifacts on CT images
- Artifacts on CBCT due to organ motion
- Treatment couch can not tilt and spin

Conclusion

- PET/CT and 4DCT Simulations help us to
 - Delineate target volume and critical structure more accurately
 - Customize, often decrease, internal margin
- On Board Imaging gives us valuable tool to
 - Reduce setup error
 - Track inter-fractional target / organ motion
 - Reduce internal & setup margins
 - Track tumor response Adaptive Therapy

Adaptive Radiation Therapy, or a Black Hole?



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