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## La Radioterapia nel cancro della mammella: indicazioni e tecnica

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Il trattamento dei drenaggi linfonodali  
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# STATO DELL'ARTE



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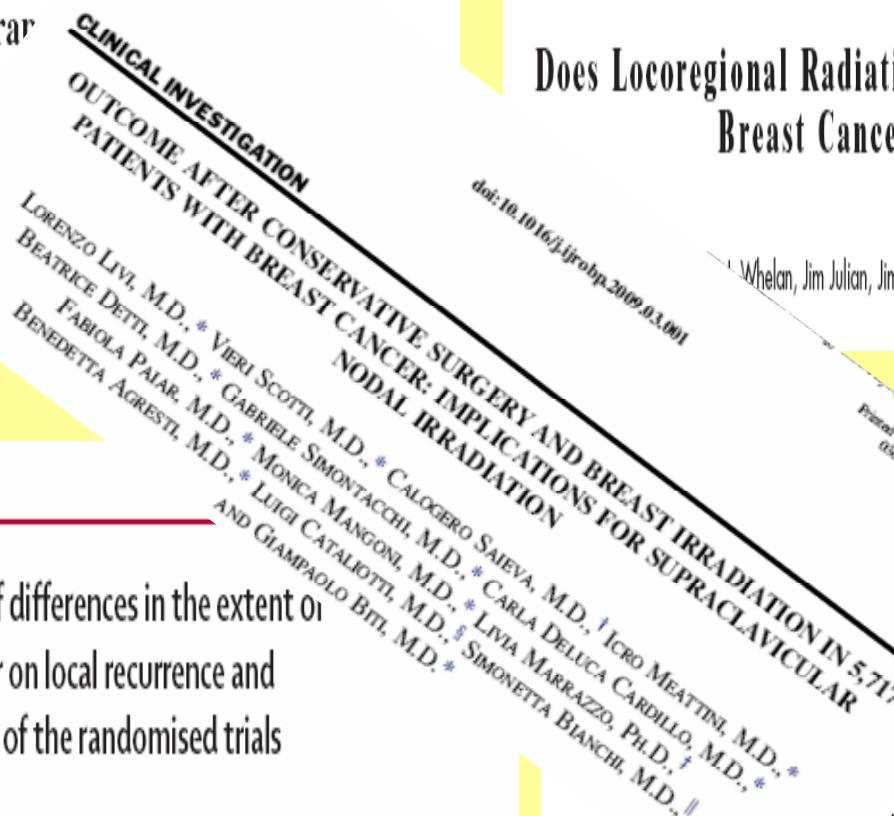


studi randomizzati in corso

# EVIDENCE BASED MEDICINE

Locoregional Radiation Therapies  
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...omy irradiation limited to positive nodes, as recommended in reports? A subgroup analysis of the 25 randomized trials<sup>☆</sup>

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# RT DRENAGGI IN BCS

- In corso l'analisi di due studi randomizzati

**EORTC trial 22922-10925**

*tumori mediiali N+ - random RT su svc  
mediale e CMI vs no LN RT*

**MA -20**

*tumori N+ o N0 alto rischio- random RT su  
svc, apice ascella, CMI vs no LN RT*

# RT DRENAGGI SU MASTECTOMIA

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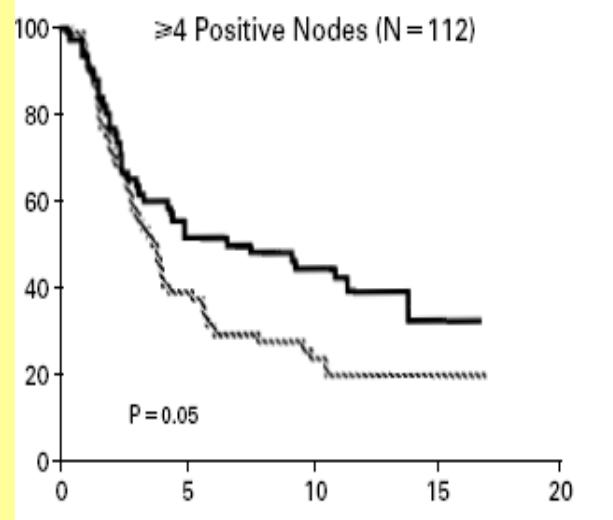
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## ADJUVANT RADIOTHERAPY AND CHEMOTHERAPY IN NODE-POSITIVE PREMENOPAUSAL WOMEN WITH BREAST CANCER

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**Locoregional Radiation Therapy in Patients With High-Risk Breast Cancer Receiving Adjuvant Chemotherapy:  
20-Year Results of the British Columbia Randomized Trial**

*Joseph Ragaz, Ivo A. Olivotto, John J. Spinelli, Norman Phillips, Stewart M.*  
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# RT DRENAGGI SU MASTECTOMIA

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### POSTOPERATIVE RADIOTHERAPY IN HIGH-RISK PREMENOPAUSAL WOMEN WITH BREAST CANCER WHO RECEIVE ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY

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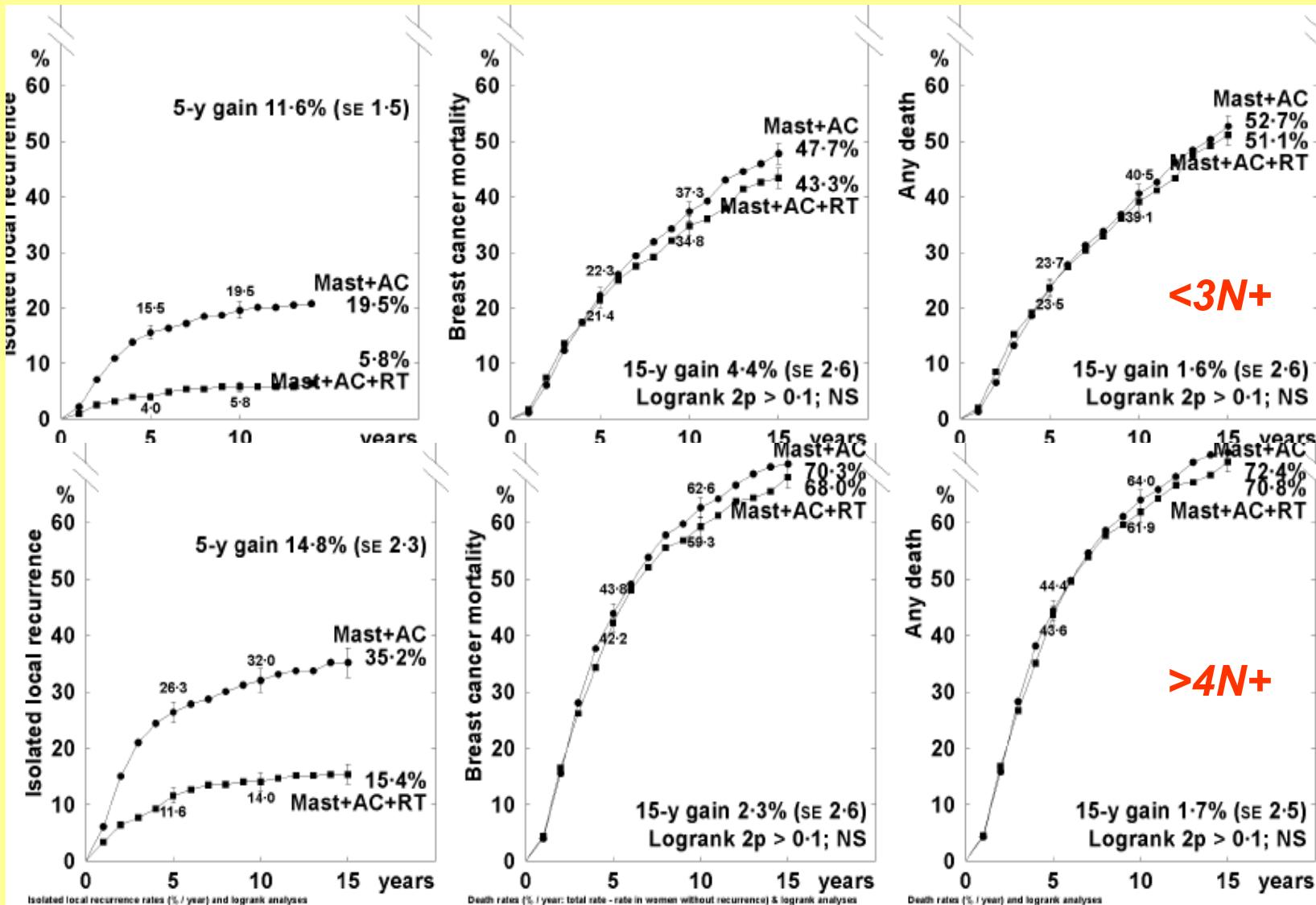
**TABLE 4. COX MULTIVARIATE PROPORTIONAL-HAZARDS ANALYSIS OF THE RELATIVE RISK  
OF ANY TYPE OF RECURRENCE OR DEATH OR OF DEATH FROM ANY CAUSE.\***

VARIABLE	ANY TYPE OF RECURRENCE OR DEATH		DEATH	
	P VALUE	RR (95% CI)	P VALUE	RR (95% CI)
Tumor size (<21 mm, 21–50 mm, >50 mm)†	<0.001	1.43 (1.30–1.58)	<0.001	1.49 (1.35–1.65)
No. of positive nodes (0, 1–3, >3)†	<0.001	1.57 (1.36–1.81)	<0.001	1.75 (1.50–2.05)
Frequency of positive nodes (<34%, 34–67%, >67%)†	<0.001	1.44 (1.30–1.58)	<0.001	1.38 (1.24–1.53)
Grade of anaplasia (I, II, III)†	<0.001	1.44 (1.31–1.59)	<0.001	1.52 (1.37–1.70)
Age of 40 to 49 yr (vs. <40 yr and 50–59 yr)	<0.001	0.73 (0.64–0.83)	<0.001	0.76 (0.66–0.87)
Radiotherapy + CMF (vs. CMF alone)	<0.001	0.59 (0.51–0.67)	<0.001	0.71 (0.62–0.82)

Europa

# MASTECTOMIA RT & N+

*metanalisi Lancet 2005*



## **Postmastectomy Radiotherapy: Guidelines of the American Society of Clinical Oncology**

By Abram Recht, Stephen B. Edge, Lawrence J. Solin, David S. Robinson, Alison Estabrook, Richard E. Fine, Gini F. Fleming, Silvia Formenti, Clifford Hudis, Jeffrey J. Kirshner, David A. Krause, Robert R. Kuske, Amy S. Langer, George W. Sledge, Jr., Timothy J. Whelan, and David G. Pfister for the American Society of Clinical Oncology

### **8. Axillary Nodal Irradiation**

We suggest that full axillary radiotherapy not be given routinely to patients undergoing complete or level I/II axillary dissection. There is insufficient evidence to make suggestions or recommendations as to whether some patient subgroups might benefit from axillary irradiation.

### **9. SuprACLAVICULAR Nodal Irradiation for Patients With Four or More Positive Axillary Lymph Nodes**

The incidence of clinical suprACLAVICULAR failure is sufficiently great in patients with four or more positive axillary nodes that we suggest a suprACLAVICULAR field should be irradiated in all such patients.

### **10. SuprACLAVICULAR Nodal Irradiation for Patients With One to Three Positive Axillary Lymph Nodes** ???

There is insufficient evidence to state whether a suprACLAVICULAR field should or should not be used for patients with one to three positive axillary nodes.

### **11. Internal Mammary Nodal Irradiation**

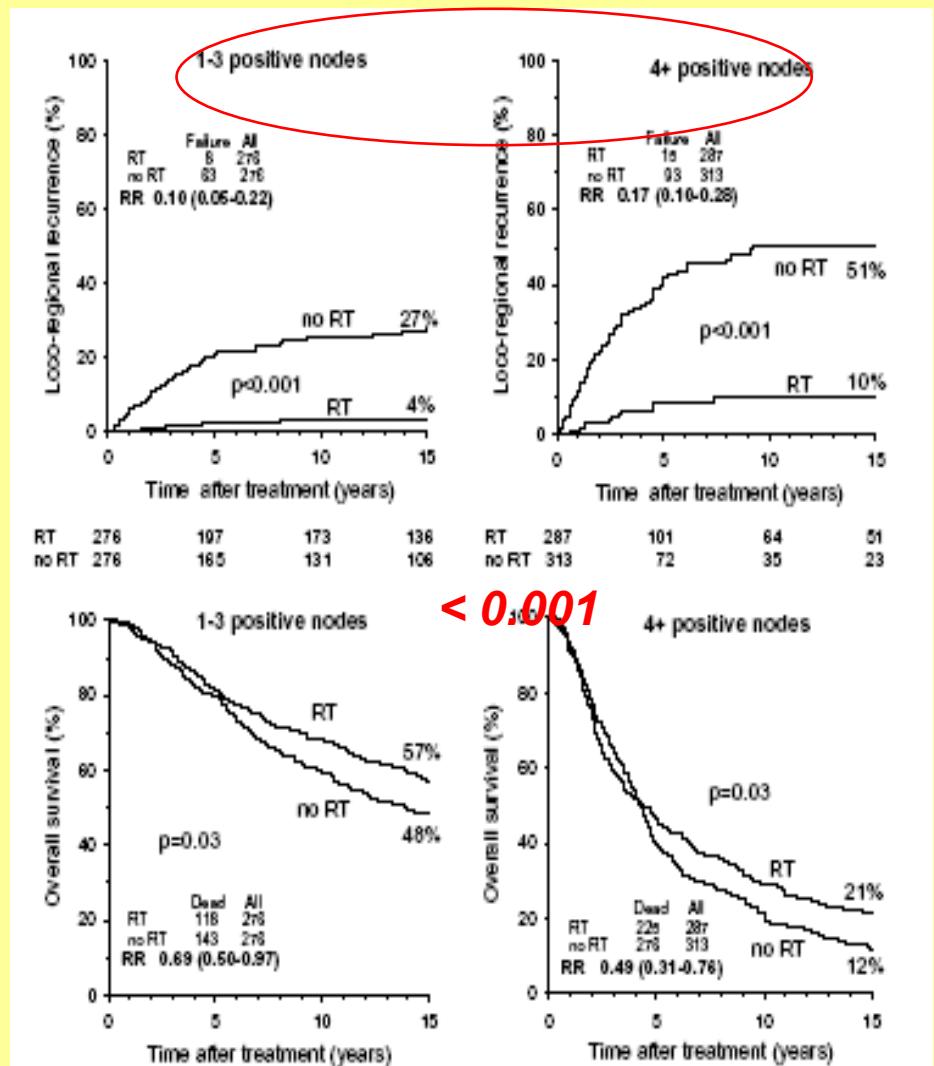
There is insufficient evidence to make suggestions or recommendations on whether deliberate internal mammary nodal irradiation should or should not be used in any patient subgroup.

# EVIDENZE PZ N+< 3

Is the benefit of postmastectomy irradiation limited to patients with four or more positive nodes, as recommended in international consensus reports? A subgroup analysis of the DBCG 82 b&c randomized trials 

R&O 2007

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# FATTORI DI RISCHIO PZ $N+ < 3$

- *Nodal ratio*
- *Età 50 aa Grading, LVI, status recettoriale*
- *Estensione extracapsulare*
- *Metastasi linfonodale  $\geq 2$  cm*
- *Entità della dissezione ascellare*

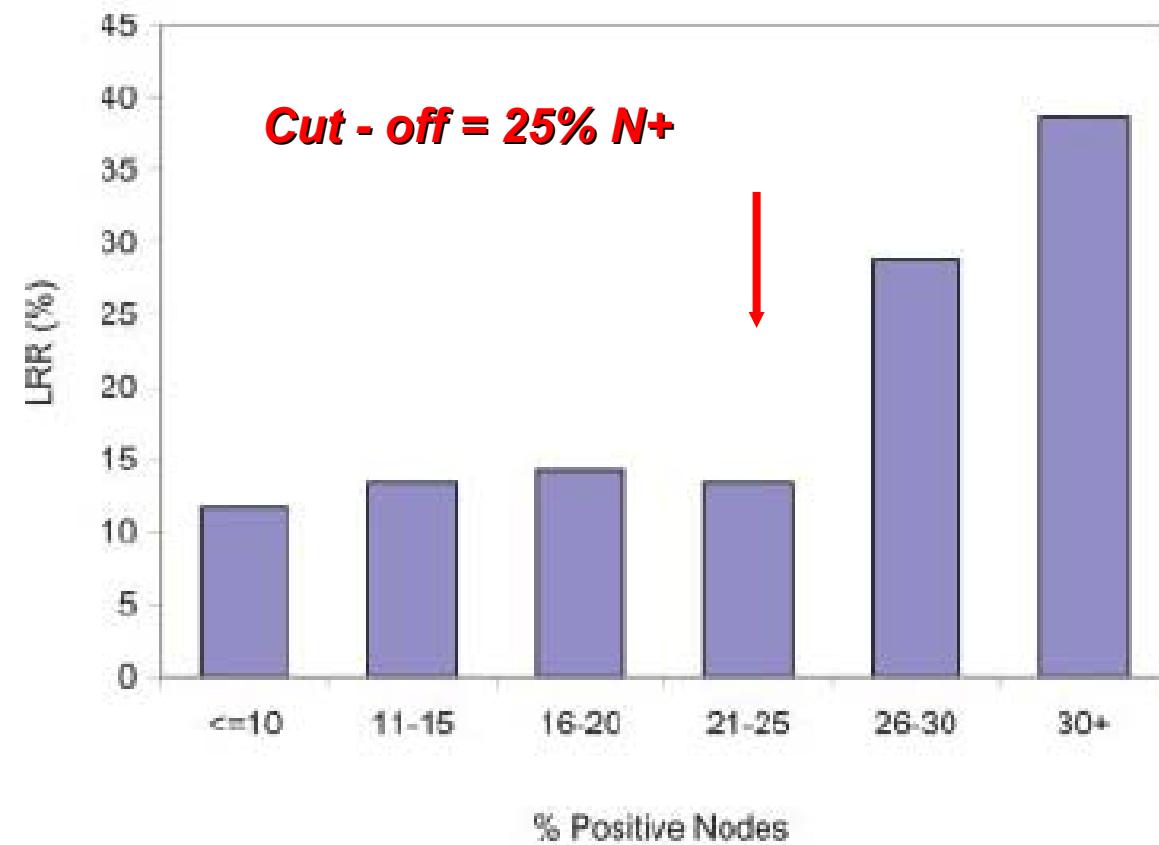
# The Prognostic Significance of the Percentage of Positive/Dissected Axillary Lymph Nodes in Breast Cancer Recurrence and Survival in Patients with One to Three Positive Axillary Lymph Nodes *Cancer, 2005*

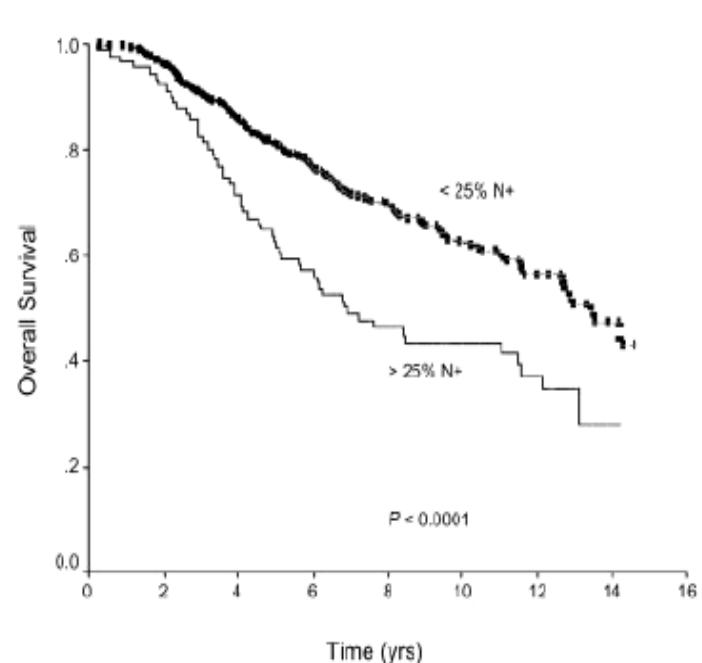
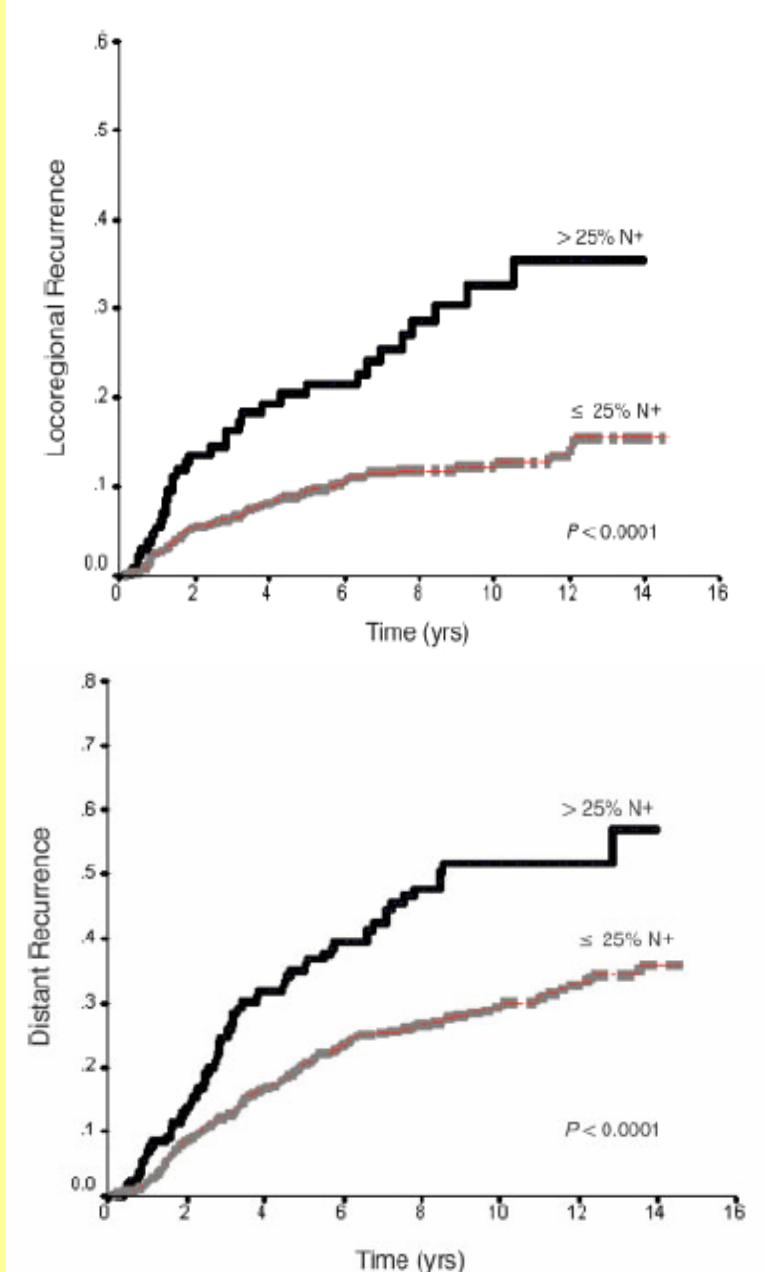
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LRR 10aa

13.9%  $N+ \leq 25\%$

36.7%  $N+ > 25\%$





**$N+ > 25\% : P < 0.001$**

***Recidiva locale***

***OS***

***Malattia a distanza***

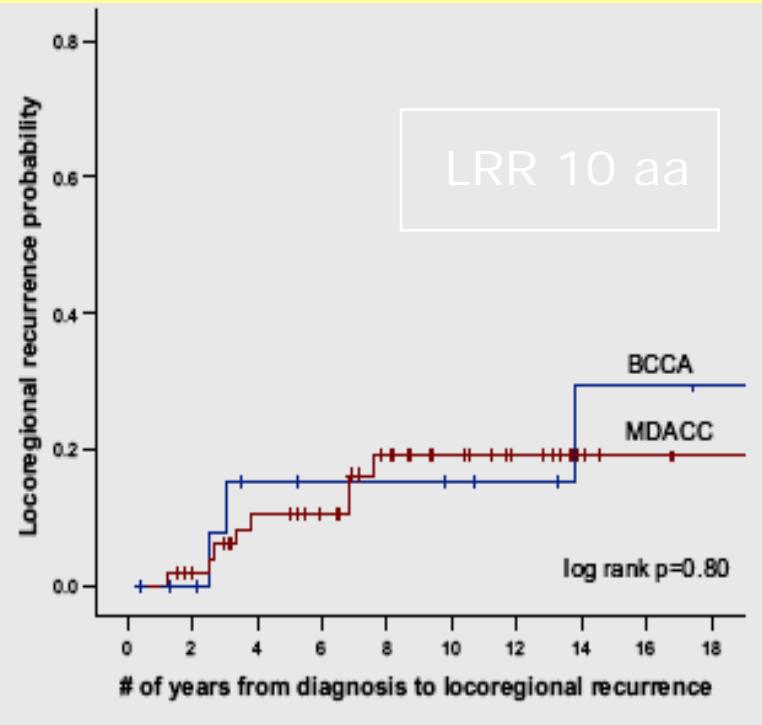


***Truong, Cancer, 2005***

THE RATIO OF POSITIVE TO EXCISED NODES IDENTIFIES HIGH-RISK SUBSETS AND REDUCES INTER-INSTITUTIONAL DIFFERENCES IN LOCOREGIONAL RECURRENCE RISK ESTIMATES IN BREAST CANCER PATIENTS WITH 1–3 POSITIVE NODES: AN ANALYSIS OF PROSPECTIVE DATA FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE M. D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER

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*Nodal Ratio*  
0.20-0.29

BCCA      28.7%  
MDACC      22.7%

PATIENTS WITH T1 TO T2 BREAST CANCER WITH ONE TO THREE POSITIVE NODES HAVE HIGHER LOCAL AND REGIONAL RECURRENCE RISKS COMPARED WITH NODE-NEGATIVE PATIENTS AFTER BREAST-CONSERVING SURGERY AND WHOLE-BREAST RADIOTHERAPY

**pT1- pT2 pN1 vs pN0**

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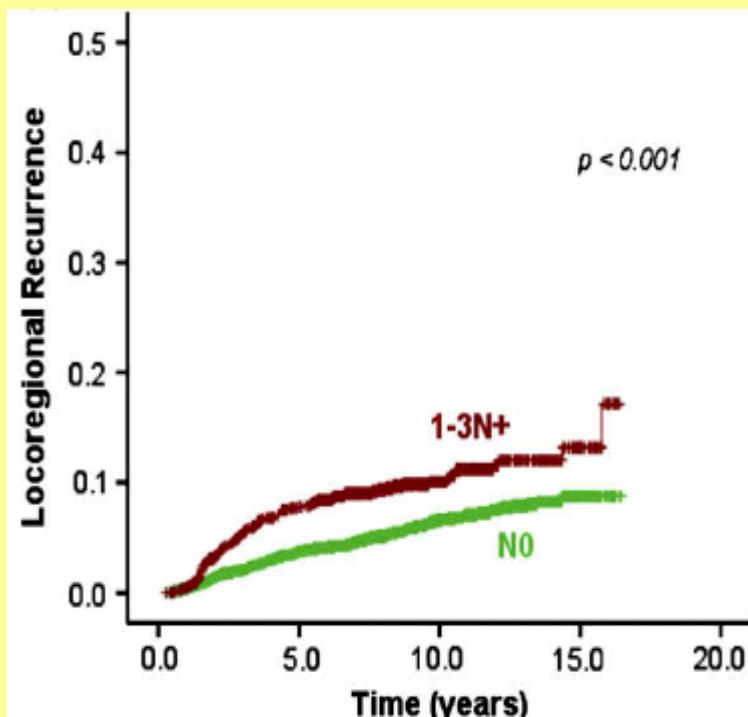
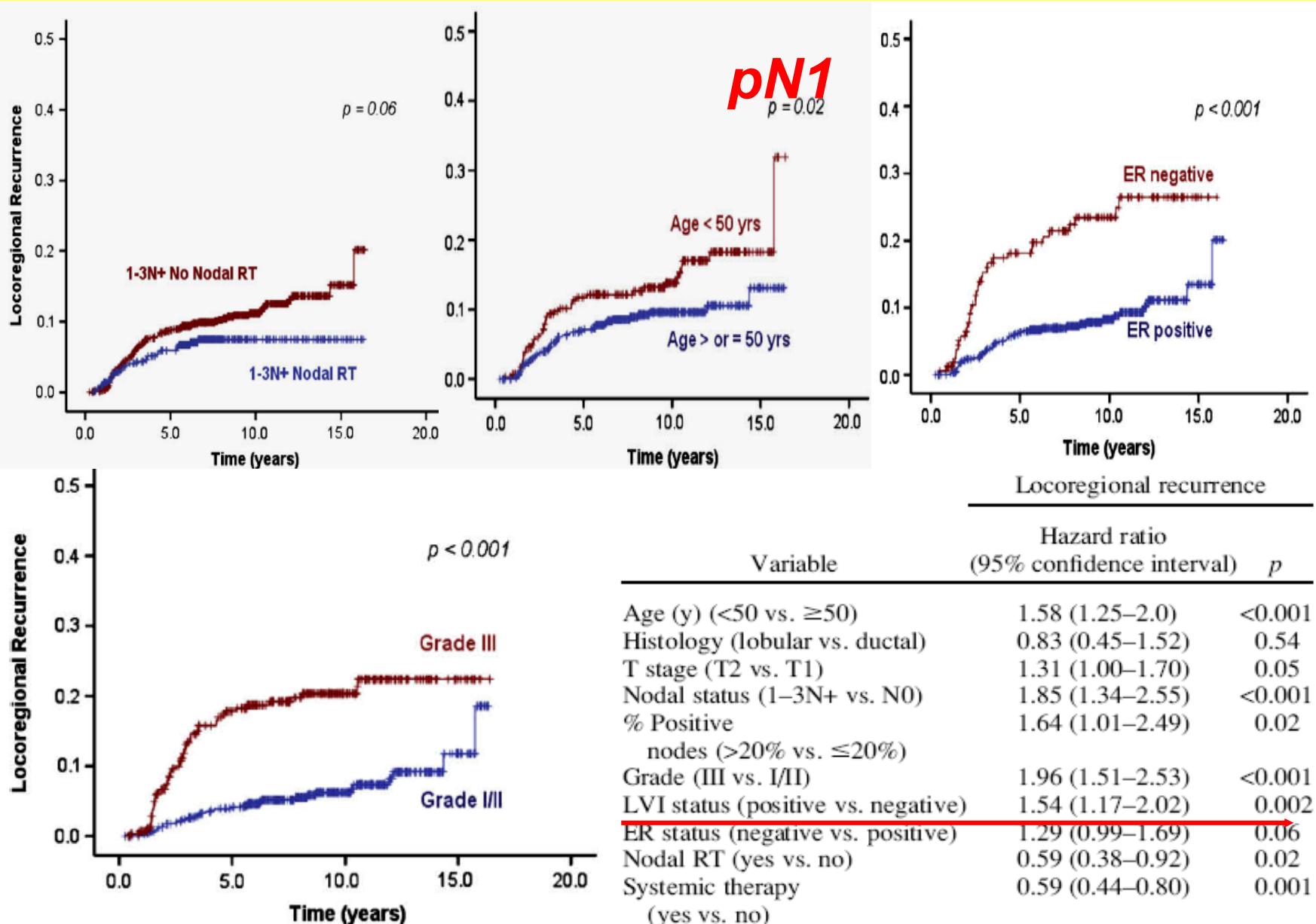


Table 3. Sites of regional recurrence in patients with node-negative (N0) and one-to-three nodes positive (1–3N+) breast cancer

Regional recurrence	Entire cohort (n = 5,688)	N0 (n = 4,433)	1–3N+ (n = 1,255)
Total	155 (2.7)	87 (2.0)	68 (5.4)
Axillary nodes	90 (1.6)	50 (1.1)	40 (3.2)
Supra-/infraclavicular nodes	59 (1.0)	32 (0.7)	27 (2.2)
Internal mammary nodes	5 (0.1)	4 (0.1)	1 (0.1)
>1 Regional nodal site	1 (0.02)	1 (0.02)	0 (0)



## EXTRACAPSULAR AXILLARY NODE EXTENSION IN PATIENTS RECEIVING ADJUVANT SYSTEMIC THERAPY: AN INDICATION FOR RADIOTHERAPY?

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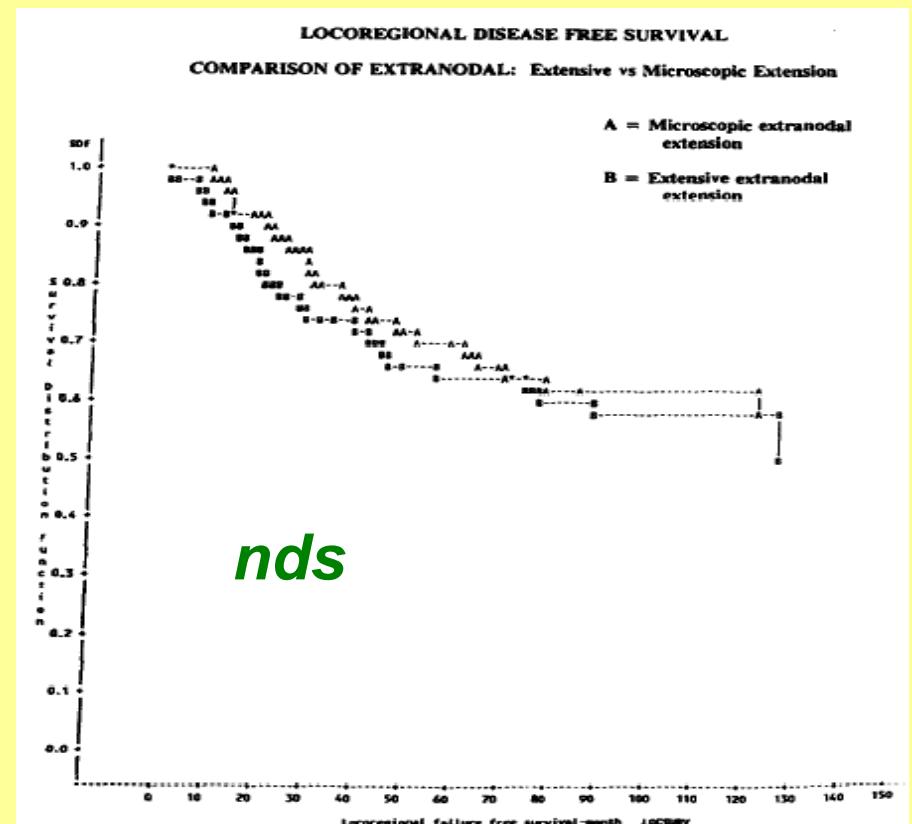
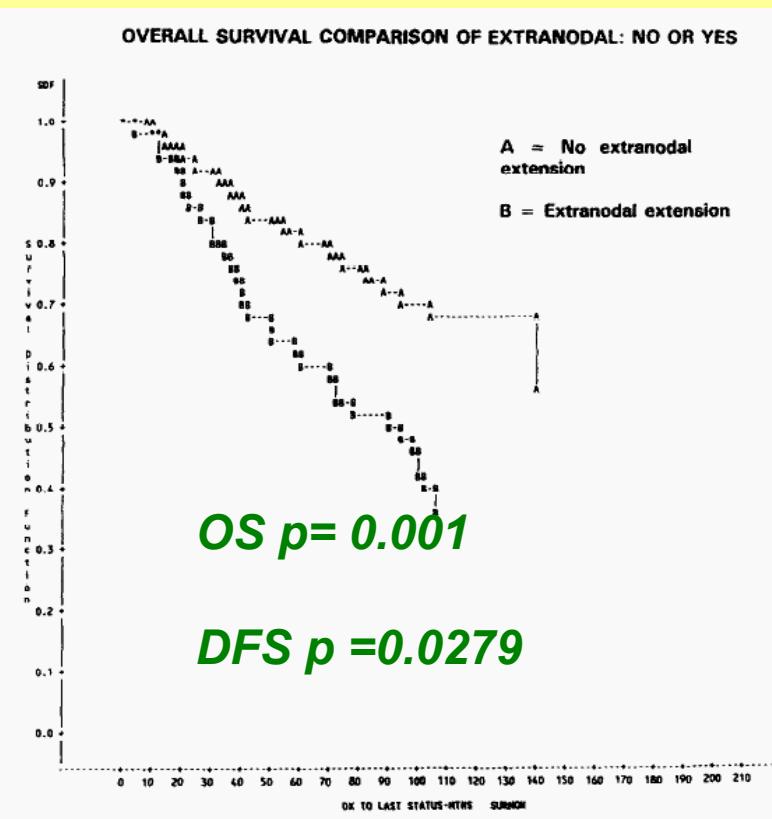


Table 2. Sites of recurrence by extranodal extension in patients who received chemotherapy/tamoxifen only

Site	Extranodal extension n = 64/82	No extranodal extension n = 52/172	
			Experienced cal recurrence
<b>Local</b>			
Total	17/82 (21%)	17/172 (10%)	
Breast	9/25 (36%)	9/51 (18%)	
Chest wall	8/57 (14%)	8/120 (7%)	
<b>Regional</b>			
Total	17/82 (21%)	18/172 (11%)	
Axilla	6/82 (7%)	6/172 (4%)	
Supraclavicular nodes	10/82 (12%)	10/172 (6%)	
Internal mammary nodes	1/82 (<1%)	1/172 (<1%)	
Multiple	0	1/172 (<1%)	
<b>Locoregional</b>			
Distant metastases	22/82 (27%)	12/172 (7%)	
Locoregional and distant	6/82 (7%)	3/172 (2%)	
No recurrence	18/82 (22%)	120/172 (70%)	

Table 3. Patterns of first recurrence based upon extranodal extension and number of positive axillary nodes

	Experienced cal recurrence	Extra nodal extension (n = 82)		No extra nodal extension (n = 172)	
		1-3 Nodes	≥4 Nodes	1-3 Nodes	≥4 Nodes
Local first recurrence by extra nodal extension and # positive axillary nodes					
	Yes	9 (23.7%)	8 (19.5%)	18 (16.1%)	9 (15.0%)
	No	29	33	94	51
Regional first recurrence by extra nodal extension and # positive axillary nodes					
	Yes	9 (23.7%)	6 (14.6%)	15 (13.4%)	8 (13.3%)
	No	29	35	97	52
Distant first recurrence by extra nodal extension and # positive axillary nodes					
	Yes	9 (23.7%)	6 (14.6%)	15 (13.4%)	8 (13.3%)
	No	29	35	97	52

Table 6. Univariate analysis of prognostic factors for actuarial survival within the extranodal extension group

Factor	Log rank	Wilcoxon
Type of mastectomy	0.5836	0.9194
Age	0.3392	0.2190
Tumor size	0.5187	0.5705
# Positive axillary nodes	0.0137	0.0045
Extent extracapsular Extension (gross vs. microscopic)	0.922	0.9848
% Ideal dose	0.2871	0.4306
% Ideal dose intensity	0.4727	0.688
ER negative	0.0100	0.0003
PR negative	0.0217	0.0029
ER and PR negative	0.0039	0.0001

# ECE

- **fattore prognostico avverso (non indipendente) x sopravvivenza e recidiva locale**
- **In ECE + lo status ER-/PR e N +> 4 sono fattori avversi x la sopravvivenza**
- **ECE + raddioppia % di recidiva su mammella, parete e sovraclaveare indipendentemente dal N + ascellari**

# **QUALI PZ N+ < 3 alto rischio ?**

- **448 pz N+< 3 no RT su sovraclavare**
- **N mediano di 17 Ins escissi ( 5-53)**
- **CT nel 99% pz**
- **144 pz con RT adiuvante**
- **recidiva 101 pz ( 22.5%) in cui 8.7% svc**

## DETERMINING WHICH PATIENTS REQUIRE IRRADIATION OF THE SUPRACLAVICULAR NODAL AREA AFTER SURGERY FOR N1 BREAST CANCER

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Table 3. Prognostic factors of SCRFS rate

Variable	5-y SCRFS rate (%)	<i>p</i> Value	
		Univariate	Multivariate
Age			
<35 y	92.6	0.6367	0.2811
≥35 y	94.2		
Location			
Inner	84.3	0.0060	0.1748
Other	94.7		
Histology			
Invasive ductal	92.5	0.9191	0.4947
Other	92.8		
Pathologic T stage			
1–2	93.3	0.0019	0.0975
3	63.3		
Grade			
1–2	93.3	0.7291	0.8259
3	92.0		
Hormone receptor			
Positive	92.9	0.8414	0.6182
Negative	92.6		
Lymphovascular invasion			
Positive	83.0	<0.0001	<0.0001
Negative	94.8		
No. of positive ALN			
1	98.3	<0.0001	0.0003
2–3	86.3		
Highest level of positive ALN			
I	93.8		
II–III	74.7	<0.0001	0.0120
Percentage of positive ALN			
≤20%	95.4	<0.0001	0.0509
>20%	82.1		
Extracapsular extension			
Positive	54.6	<0.0001	<0.0001
Negative	94.6		

**invasione linfovascolare**

***p < 0.001***

**ECE**

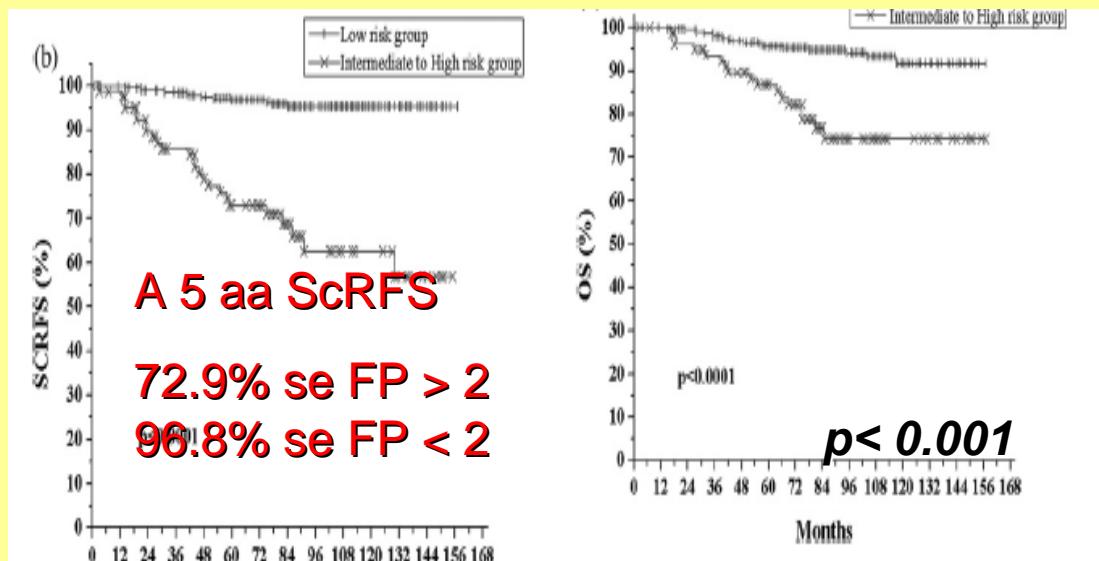
***p < 0.0001***

**numero Ins positivi**

***p = 0.0003***

**livello dei Ins positivi**

***p = 0.012***



# RT SOVRACLAVEARE

- Si raccomanda nelle pazienti  $N+ > 4$  Ins
- Evidenze in pazienti  $N+ < 3$  Ins

da considerare se



- ✓ *ECE*
- ✓ *Nodal ratio > 25%*
- ✓ *Età premenopausa*
- ✓ *ER / PR negativi*
- ✓ *Invasione linfovascolare*

$FP > 2$

# **RT ASCELLA**

- **Non è giustificata se dissezione ascellare adeguata ( 7-10 Ins) ed indagati i livelli I-II indipendentemente dallo stato N+ (ASCO 2000, EUSOMA Working Party 2002)**
- **E' giustificata in assenza di clearance ascellare o se vi è residuo di malattia**
- **Da valutare dopo LNs + (Galper, IJROBP,2000)**
- **RT in ascella N+ è efficace quanto la chirurgia - linfedema ?-**

*( Veronesi, Annals of Oncology 2005)*

RISK FACTORS FOR REGIONAL NODAL FAILURE AFTER BREAST-CONSERVING THERAPY: REGIONAL NODAL IRRADIATION REDUCES RATE OF AXILLARY FAILURE IN PATIENTS WITH FOUR OR MORE POSITIVE LYMPH NODES

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## Sopravvivenza attuariale a 10 y pz N+

- < 6 Ins escissi = **33%**
  - 6-10 Ins escissi = **63%**
  - > 10 Ins escissi = **65%**
- p= 0.05***

**SHOULD INTERNAL MAMMARY LYMPH NODES IN BREAST CANCER BE  
A TARGET FOR THE RADIATION ONCOLOGIST?**

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Table 1. Incidence of positive internal mammary lymph nodes in operable breast cancer by axillary node status and primary tumor location

Series	#	IMN positive (%)								
		Axilla negative				Axilla positive				Total
		Inner	Central	Outer	Total	Inner	Central	Outer		
Cáceres (11)	600	—	—	—	7	44	33	19	29	
Donegan (12)	113	12	0	4	6	54	29	31	34	
Handley (13)	1000	12	7	4	8	50	46	22	35	
Lacour <i>et al.</i> (14)	703	11	8	9	9	37	22	22	28	
Livingston and Arlen (8)	583	14	10	5	8	59	43	23	32	
Sugg <i>et al.</i> (17)	292	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	44	
Urban and Marjani (9)	725	13	6	3	8	65	48	42	52	
Veronesi <i>et al.</i> (15)	1085	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	28	

**Status ascella & CMI+**

Ax N0 → **CMI +** 6-9%  
 Ax N+ **CMI +** 28-52%

**T & CMI+**

**T1-T2** → **CMI +** 12-15%  
**T3** **CMI +** 28-48%

**pN & CMI+**

**pN0** **CMI +** 5%  
**pN1** → **CMI +** 19%  
**pN2** **CMI +** 52%

# CMI-STUDI RANDOMIZZATI

Series	#	Radical mastectomy + IMN irradiation*		Radical mastectomy alone		Follow-up	
		DM	OS	#	DM		
Fisher <i>et al.</i> (39)	470	40%	56%	633	32%	62% <i>p</i> = NS	5 years
Høst <i>et al.</i> (40)							
Stage I	170	—	60%	186	—	70% <i>p</i> = 0.08	15 years
Stage II	95	34%†	42%	91	50%† <i>p</i> = NS	44% <i>p</i> = 0.15	15 years
Palmer & Ribeiro (41)							
Node —	139	—	16%	142	—	26% <i>p</i> = 0.13	30 years
Node +	243	—	8%	217	—	8% <i>p</i> = 0.7	30 years
Amiagada <i>et al.</i> (42)	41‡	51%	59%	31‡	35% <i>p</i> = 0.22	74% <i>p</i> = 0.29	15 year crude
Veronesi <i>et al.</i> (44)	23‡	—	48% (DFS)	23‡	—	68% (DFS) <i>p</i> = NS	10 years

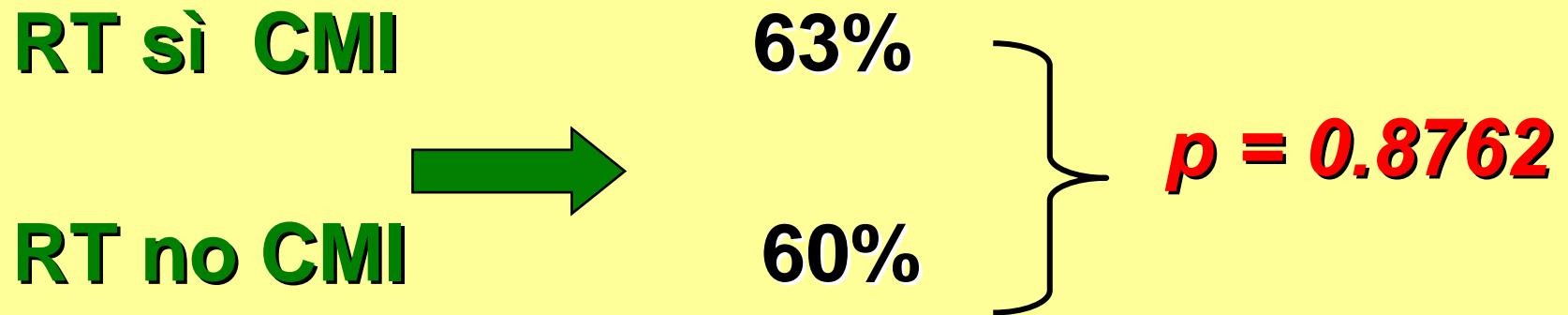
**Nessuna differenza significativa**

# **STUDIO RANDOMIZZATO MULTICENTRICO**

*P. Romestaing , Annual ASTRO Meeting 2009, proceedings Abs 1*

- **Fase III, RT su parete, ascella , svc ± cmi**
- **Stadio I-II mastectomia**
- **Età > 76 aa, N+**
- **tumori centrali / interni # da N**
- **1334 pz ( 75% N +)**

## Sopravvivenza a 10 aa



**Nax+ vs Nax-**

**T Qe vs Qm/l**

*nessuna differenza*

**CMI va irradiata se positiva**

# TRATTAMENTO : riproducibilità



# I VOLUMI

## Loco-regional conformal radiotherapy of the breast: delineation of the regional lymph node clinical target volumes in treatment position

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### Lymph node region Anatomical location

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Axillary LNs	SC LNs Medial	Inferior jugular nodal chain: in the carotid sheath, especially lateral and posterior of the lower internal jugular v., dorsal of sternocleidomastoid m. and caudal of the intermediate tendon of the omohyoid m. (lower border cricoid cartilage).
Lateral	Along the lateral part of the axillary v.: from the tendon of the latissimus dorsi m. to the termination of the thoracoacromial v. (medial of the pectoralis minor m.).	Medial part transverse cervical nodal chain: along the medial part of the transverse cervical vessels (branches of the external jugular v. and thyrocervical trunk), ventral of the scalenus anterior m., dorsal of sternocleidomastoid m.
Pectoral	Around the lateral thoracic vessels: along the lateral border of the pectoralis major and minor m.	Lateral part transverse cervical nodal chain: along the lateral part of the transverse cervical vessels, lateral of the sternocleidomastoid m., ventral of the scalenus medius and levator scapulae mm., caudal and ventral of the omohyoid m.
Subscapular	Around the subscapular vessels and its thoracodorsal branches: along the lateral border of the subscapular m.	Along the cephalic v. in the deltopectoral triangle (Mohrenheim's groove): between the pectoralis major m., deltoid m. and clavicle, medial of the coracoid process.
Central	Associated with the axillary vessels behind the pectoralis minor m.: centrally in the axilla.	Small LNs (1–5 mm size) lateral or medial of IMV, on the endothoracic fascia or transversus thoracis m., ventral of the parietal pleura, draining to the bronchomedastinal trunk, terminating in the jugulo–subclavian junction.
Apical	Ventral and superior of the medial part of the axillary v.: proximal of the termination of the thoracoacromial v. to the apex of the axilla, lying posterior and medial of the medial border of the pectoralis minor m. and caudal and ventral of the subclavius m., terminating in the subclavian trunk: along the subclavian v. to the jugulo–subclavian junction.	Interpectoral LNs

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Table 2

Guidelines for delineating the anatomical boundaries of the regional lymph node clinical target volumes (arm in treatment position)

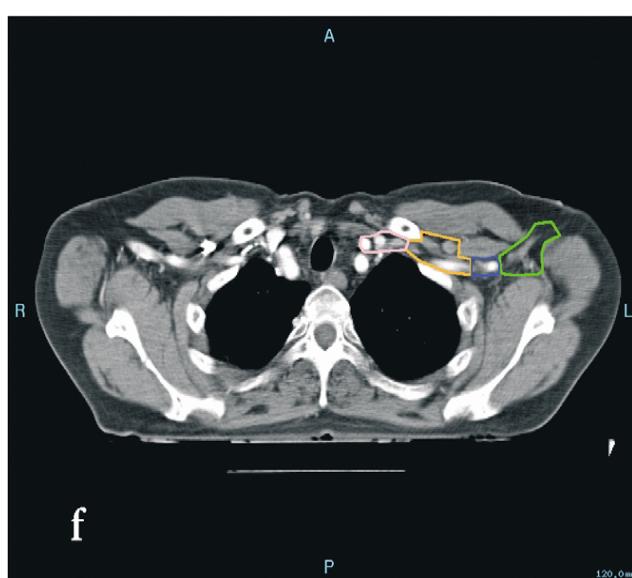
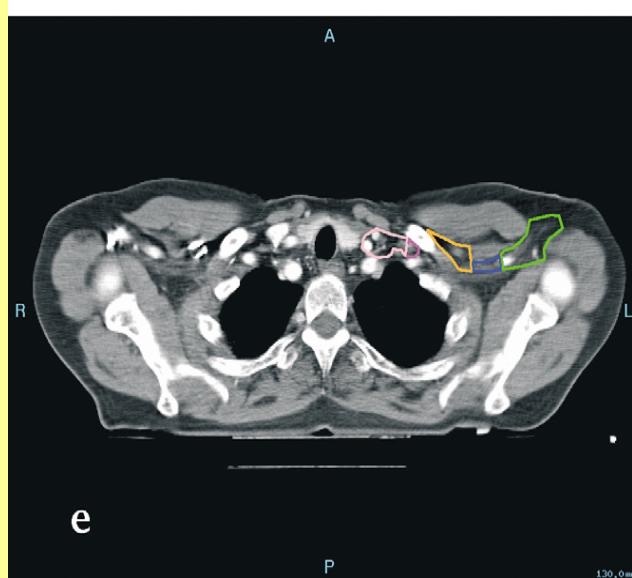
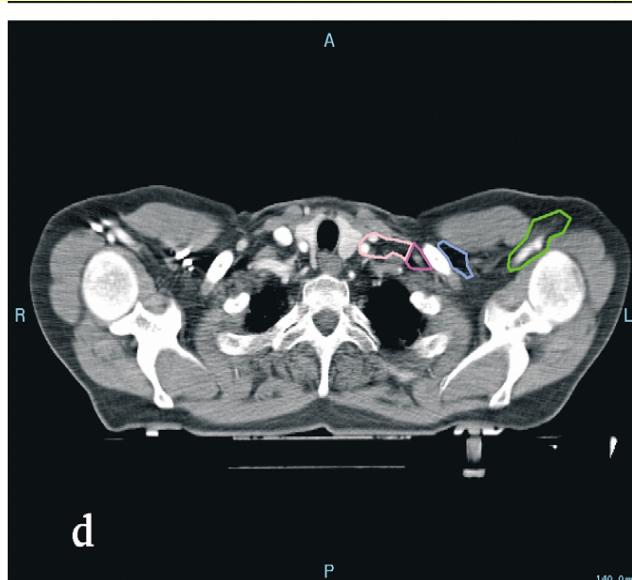
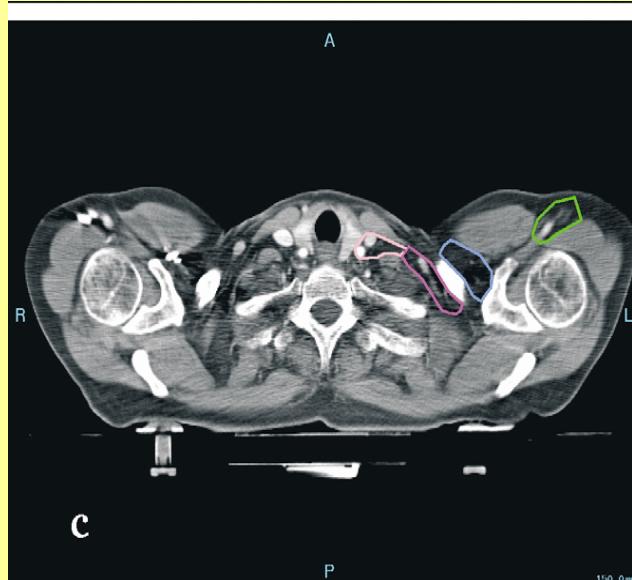
	Cranial	Caudal	Ventral	Dorsal	Lateral	Medial
Axilla level I	Caudal CT-slice tendon latissimus dorsi m.	Caudal CT-slice free edge pectoralis major m., caudal CT-slice subscapular m.	Skin <sup>a</sup>	Dorsal border axillary vessels, subscapular m., serratus anterior m.	Latissimus dorsi m., teres major m., subscapular m. <sup>b</sup>	Biceps brachii m., coracobrachialis m., lateral border pectorales mm. <sup>c</sup> and breast
Axilla level II	Cranial CT-slice axillary vessels	Caudal CT-slice free edge pectoralis minor m.	Dorsal surface pectoralis minor m.	Dorsal border axillary vessels, rib, serratus anterior m.	Lateral border pectoralis minor m. <sup>c</sup>	Medial border pectoralis minor m. <sup>d</sup>
Axilla level III (including subclavian trunk)	Caudal CT-slice coracoid process	Caudal CT-slice axillary v.	Dorsal surface pectoralis major m.	Ventral border subclavius m., dorsal border subclavian v. and axillary vessels, rib	Medial border pectoralis minor m.	Clavicle, rib, lateral border jugulo-subclavian junction
Medial SC LNs	Caudal CT-slice cricoid cartilage	Cranial CT-slice jugulo-subclavian junction, caudal CT-slice external jugular v.	Dorsal surface sternocleidomastoid m.	Dorsal border internal carotid a., ventral border scalenus anterior m.	Lateral border sternocleidomastoid m. and scalenus anterior m.	Medial edge internal carotid a. and internal jugular v.
Laternal SC LNs	Cranial CT-slice omohyoid m.	Caudal CT-slice external jugular v., transverse cervical vessels	Clavicle, skin	Ventral surface omohyoid m., levator scapulae m., scalenus medius m.	Clavicle, trapezius m.	Lateral border sternocleidomastoid m. and scalenus anterior m.
IC LNs	CT-slice caudal to deltoid m.	Caudal CT-slice coracoid process	Pectoralis major m., skin	Clavicle, subclavius m.	Medial border coracoid process, pectoralis minor m. and coracobrachialis m.	Skin, origin pectoralis major m. on clavicle
Intepectoral LNs	Cranial CT-slice thoracoacromial vessels	Caudal CT-slice pectoralis minor m.	Dorsal surface pectoralis major m.	Ventral surface pectoralis minor m.	Lateral border pectoralis minor m.	Medial border pectoralis minor m.
IMN	Cranial CT-slice jugulo-subclavian junction	Cranial CT-slice 4th rib	Dorsal surface pectoralis major m., dorsal surface sternum	Pleura or 5 mm fat tissue dorsal of IMV	5 mm lateral of IMV, lateral border of brachiocephalic v.	5 mm medial of IMV, medial border brachiocephalic v.

LNs, lymph nodes; SC, supraclavicular; IC, infraclavicular; m., muscle; mm., muscles; a., artery; v., vein; IMN, internal mammary nodes; IMV, internal mammary vessels.

<sup>a</sup> ≤ 5 mm ventral of axillary vessels.

<sup>b</sup> ≤ 5 mm latero-dorsal of thoracodorsal and axillary vessels.

<sup>c</sup> Position of lateral thoracic vessels.



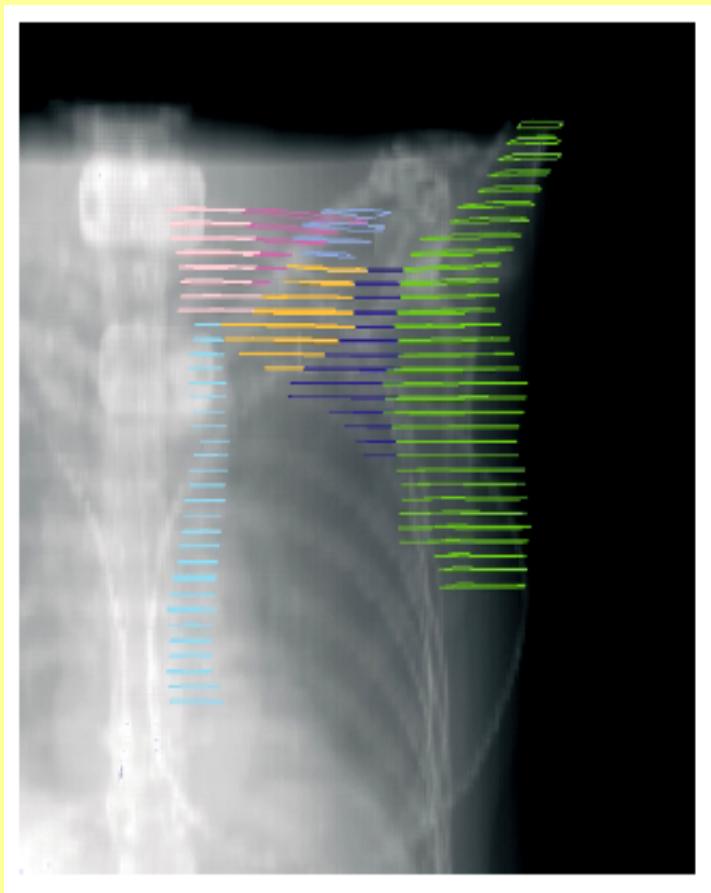
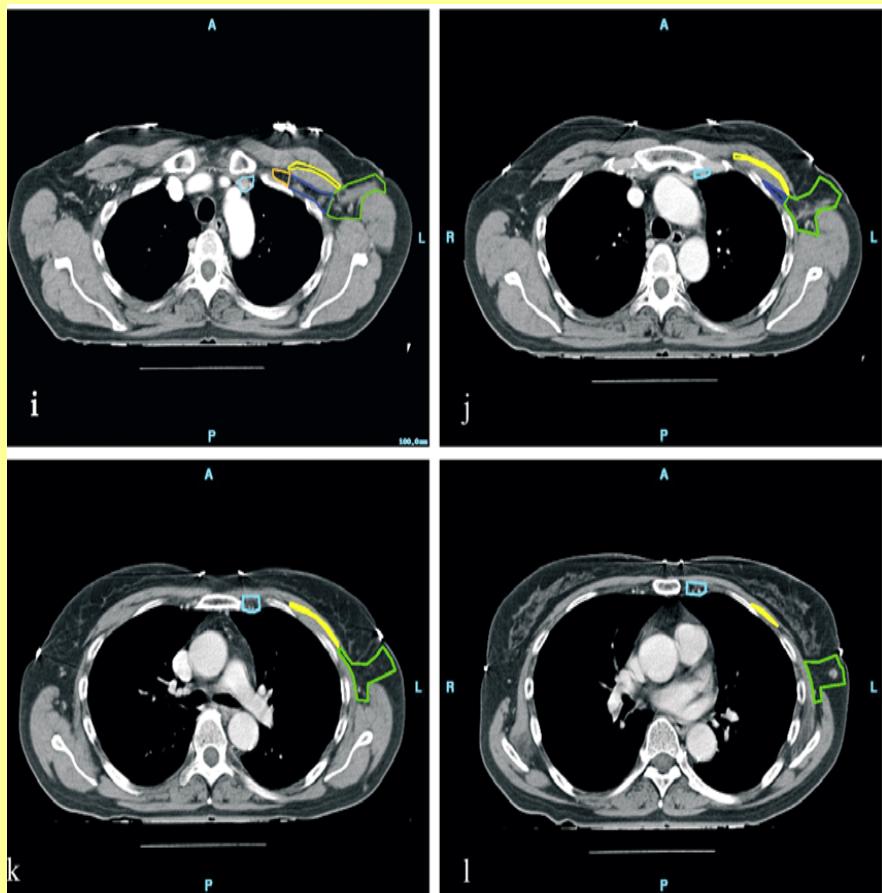
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# Breast Cancer Atlas for Radiation Therapy Planning: Consensus Definitions



## Overlying principles: Nodal volumes

### Regional nodal CTV:

- Nodal volumes contoured for targeting will depend on the specific clinical case
- Considers consensus definitions of anatomical borders (see table)
- The three levels of the axilla can overlap caudal to cranial
- “Axillary apex” was considered level III of the axilla

## Contouring Comments: Regional Nodal Volumes

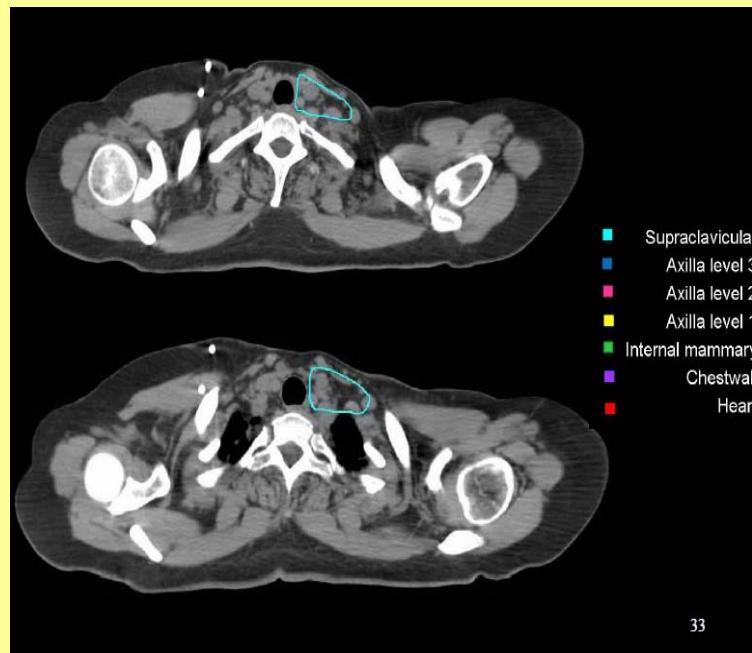
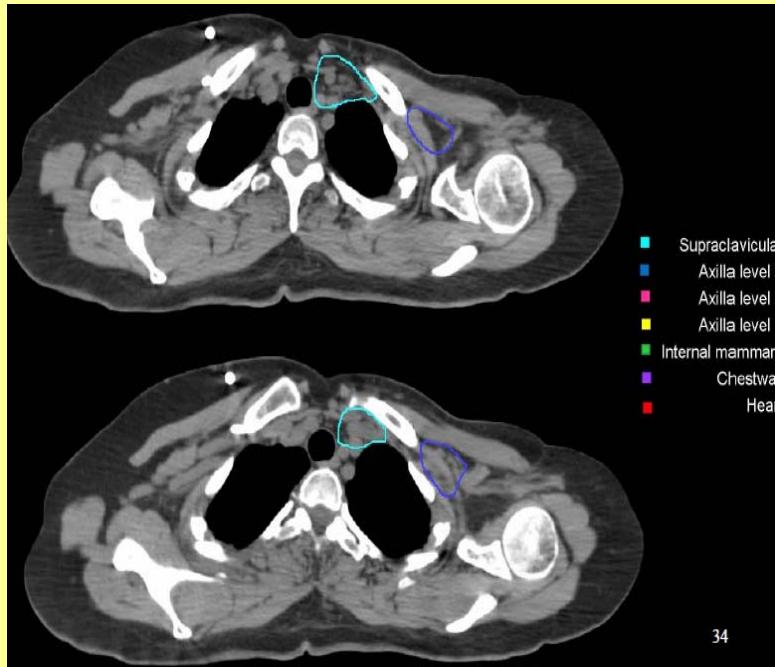
- a. Supraclavicular caudal border meant to approximate the superior aspect of the breast/ chestwall field border
- b. Axillary level I caudal border is clinically at the base of the anterior axillary line
- c. Axillary level II caudal border is the same as the cranial border of level 1
- d. Axillary level III caudal border is the same as the cranial border of level II
- e. Internal Mammary lymph nodes: encompass the internal mammary/ thoracic vessels

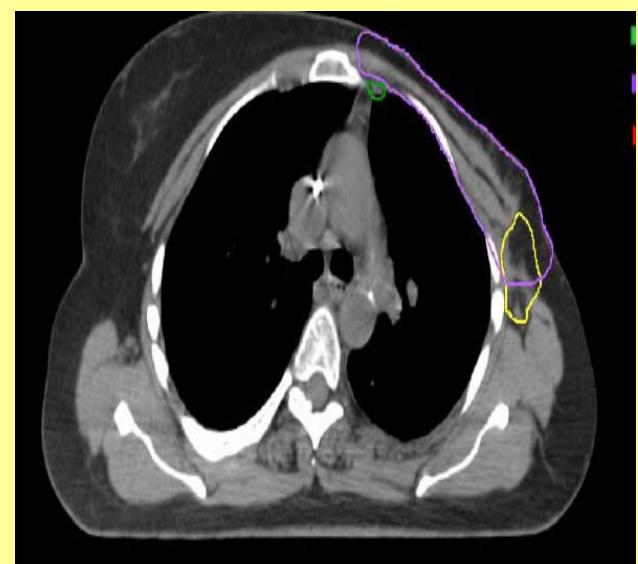
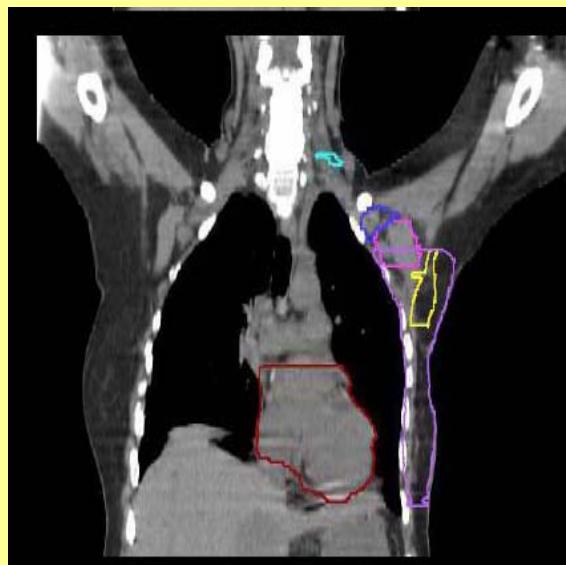
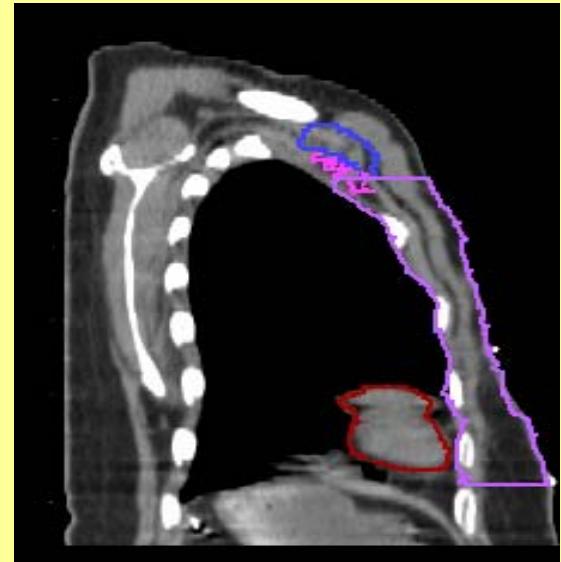
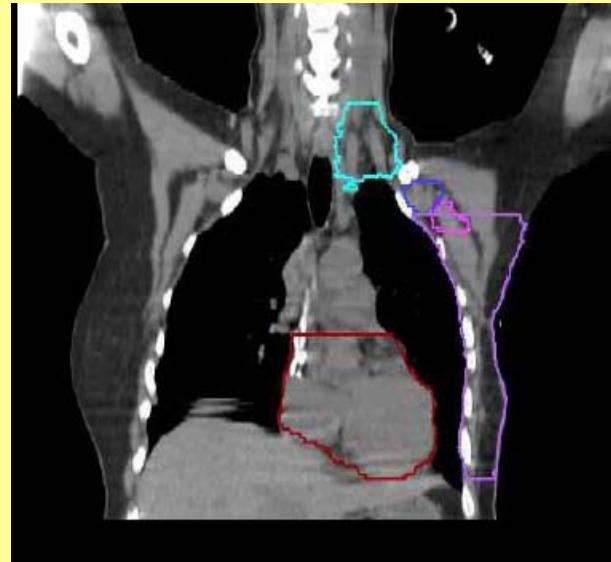
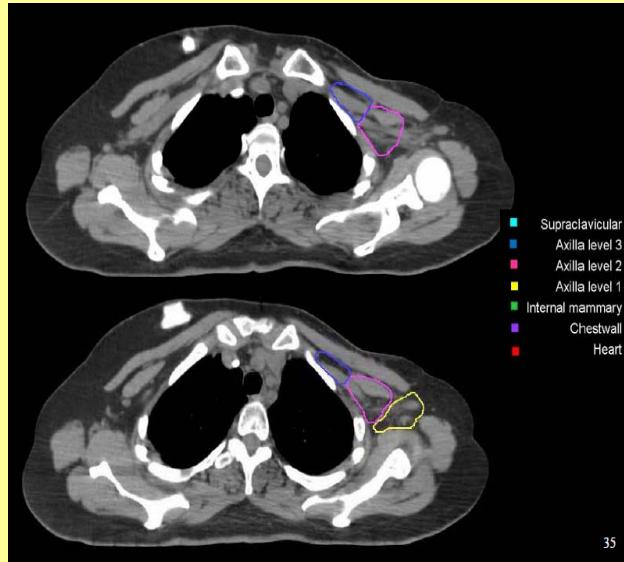
### Regional Nodal Contours: Anatomical Boundaries

	Cranial	Caudal	Anterior	Posterior	Lateral	Medial
Supra-clavicular	Caudal to the cricoid cartilage	Junction of brachioceph.-axillary vns./ caudal edge clavicle head <sup>a</sup>	Sternocleido mastoid (SCM) muscle (m.)	Anterior aspect of the scalene m.	Cranial: lateral edge of SCM m. Caudal: junction 1 <sup>st</sup> rib-clavicle	Excludes thyroid and trachea
Axilla- Level I	Axillary vessels cross lateral edge of Pec. Minor m.	Pectoralis (Pec.) major muscle insert into ribs <sup>b</sup>	Plane defined by: anterior surface of Pec. Maj. m. and Lat. Dorsi m.	Anterior surface of subscapularis m.	Medial border of lat. dorsi m.	Lateral border of Pec. minor m.
Axilla- level II	Axillary vessels cross medial edge of Pec. Minor m.	Axillary vessels cross lateral edge of Pec. Minor m. <sup>c</sup>	Anterior surface Pec. Minor m.	Ribs and intercostal muscles	Lateral border of Pec. Minor m.	Medial border of Pec. Minor m.
Axilla- level III	Pec. Minor m. insert on cricoid	Axillary vessels cross medial edge of Pec. Minor m. <sup>d</sup>	Posterior surface Pec. Major m.	Ribs and intercostal muscles	Medial border of Pec. Minor m.	Thoracic inlet
Internal mammary	Superior aspect of the medial 1 <sup>st</sup> rib	Cranial aspect of the 4 <sup>th</sup> rib	- e.	- e.	- e.	- e.

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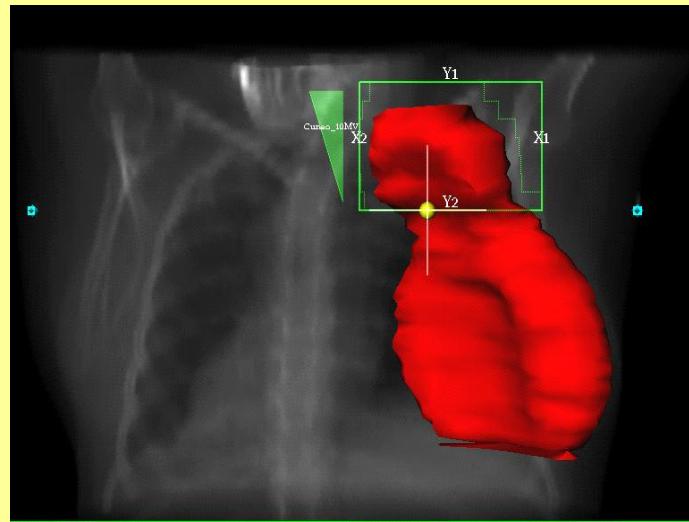
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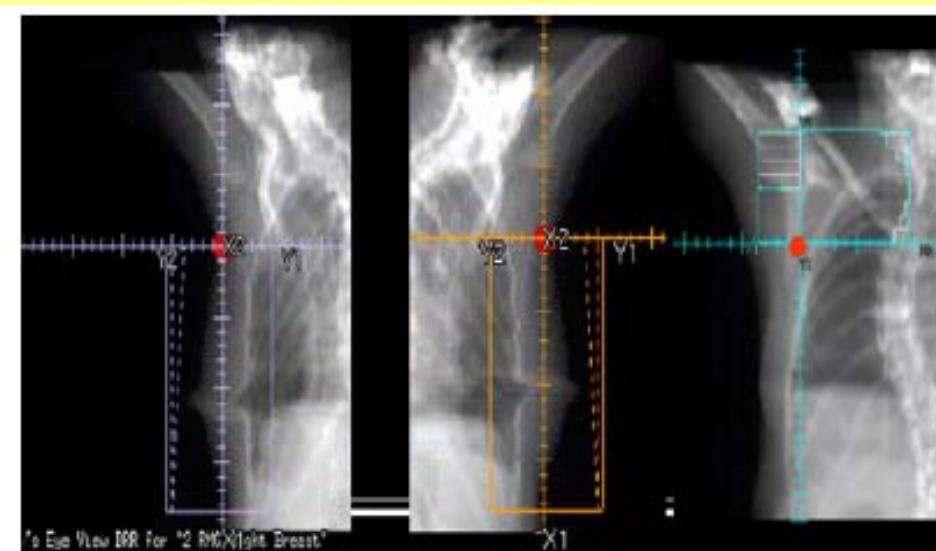
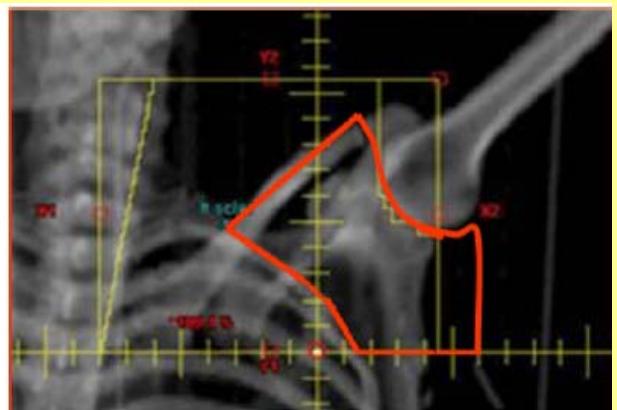
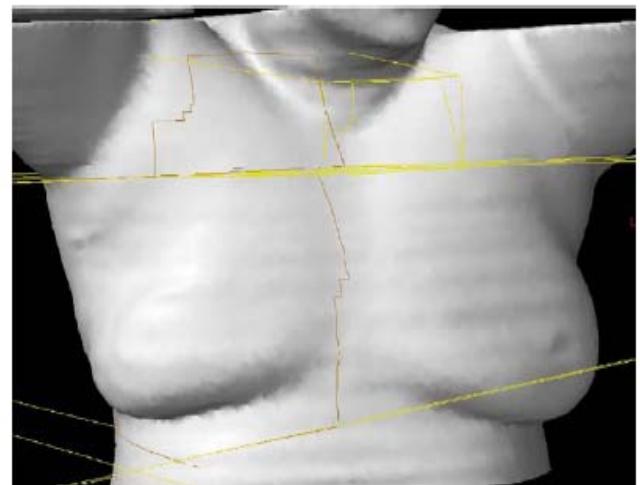
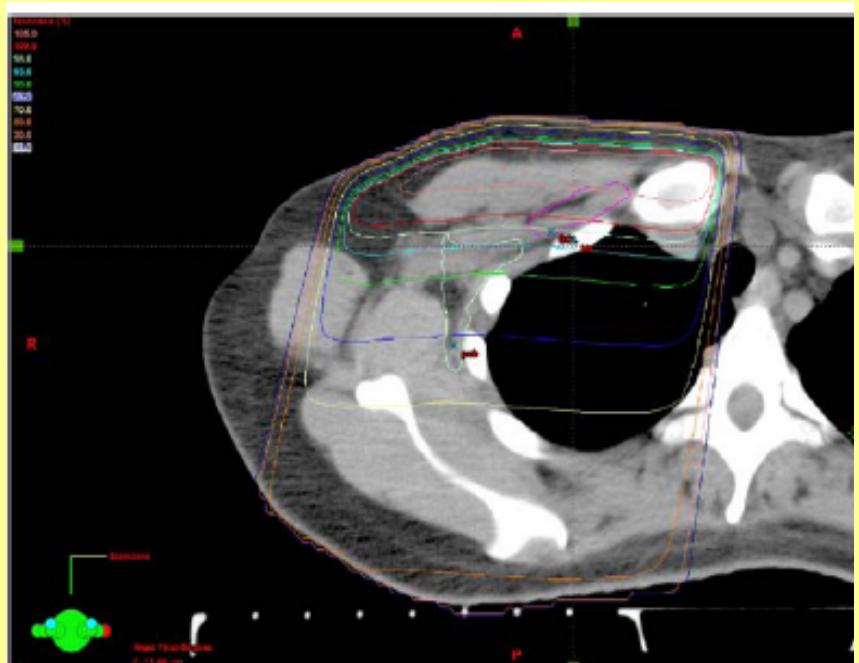
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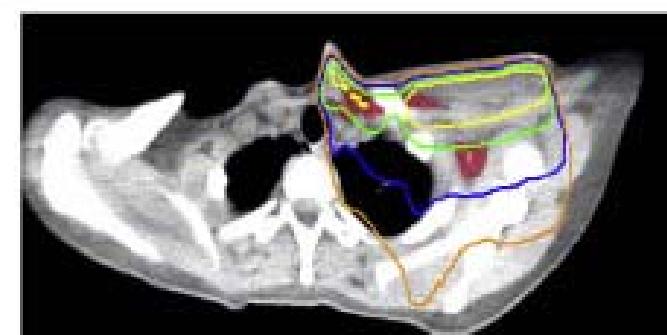
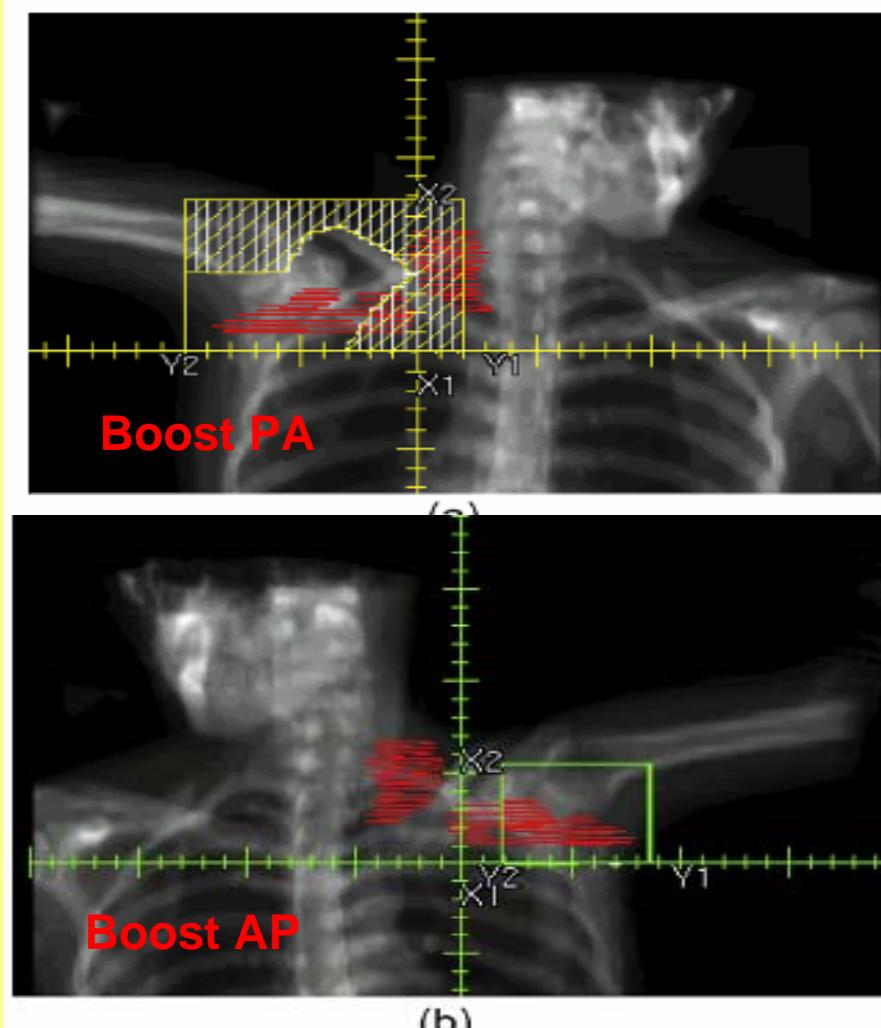


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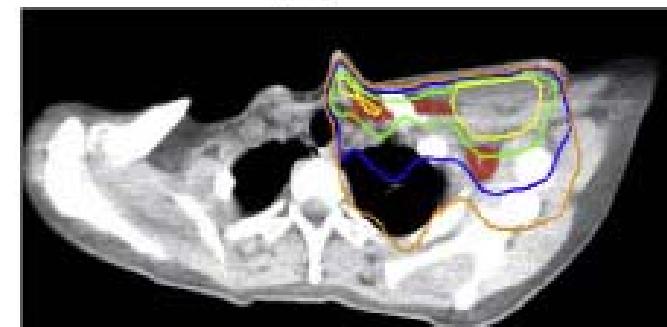
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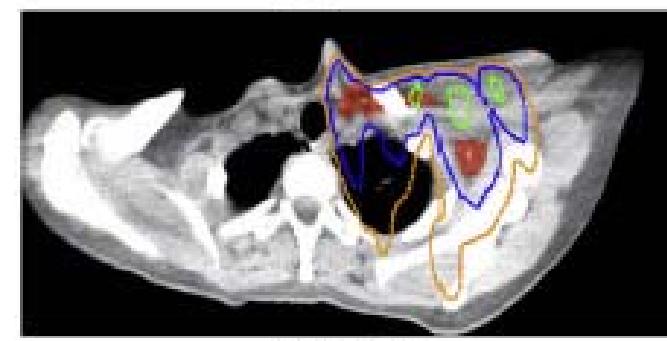
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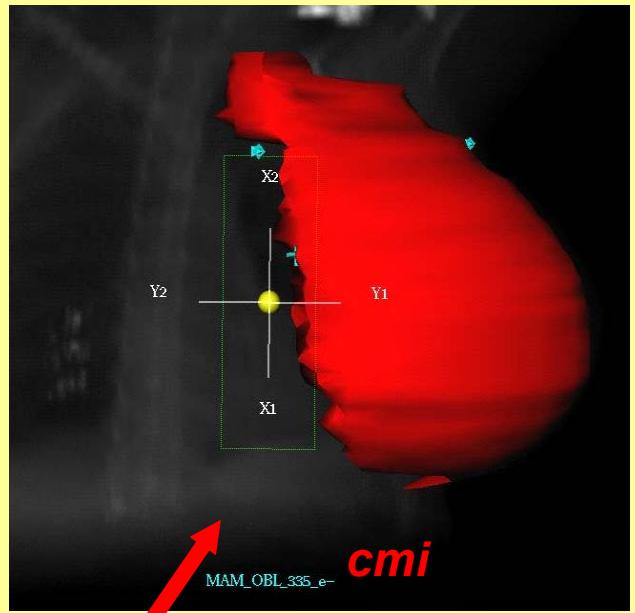
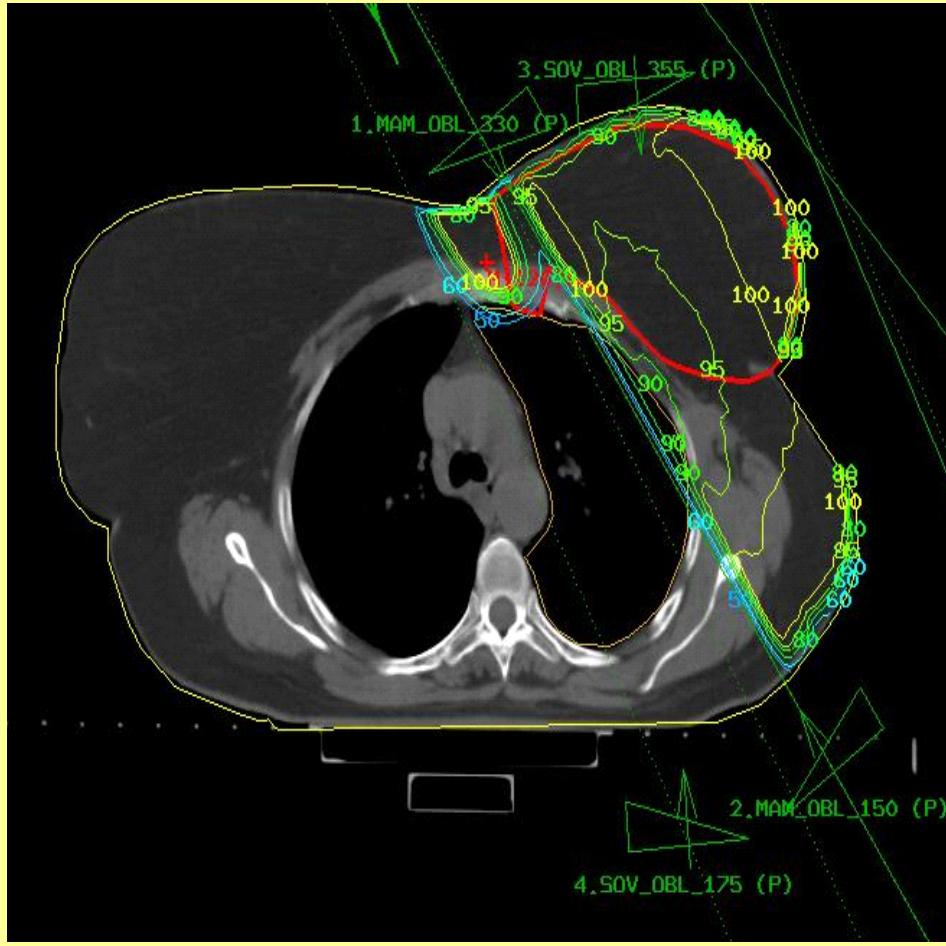
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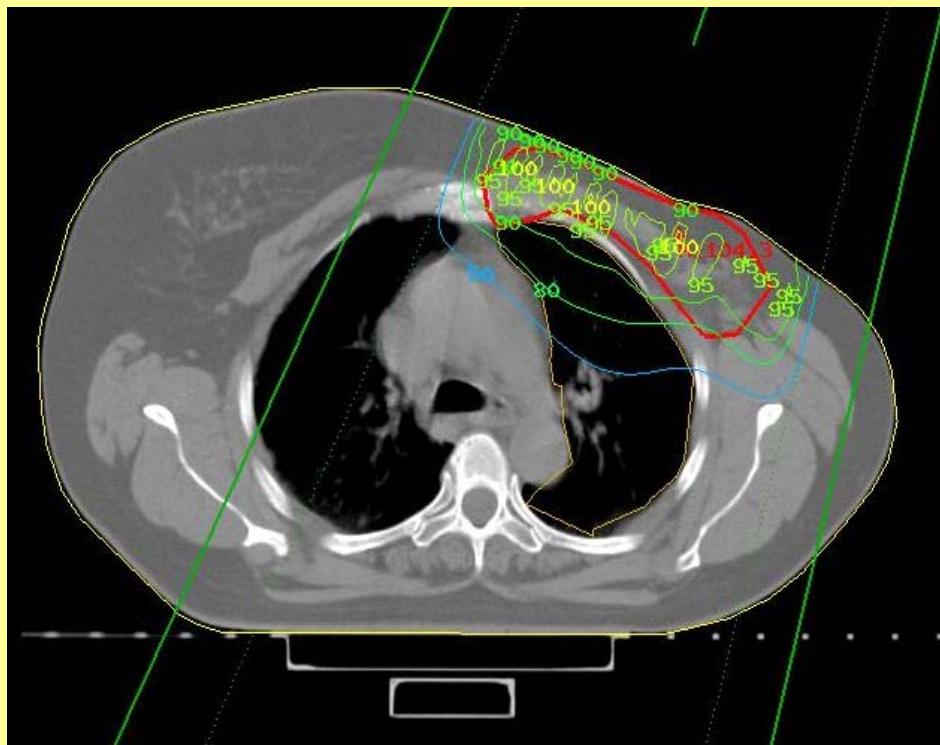
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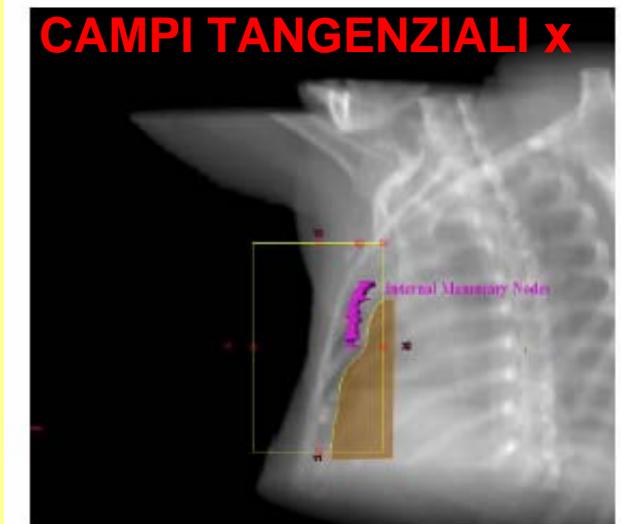


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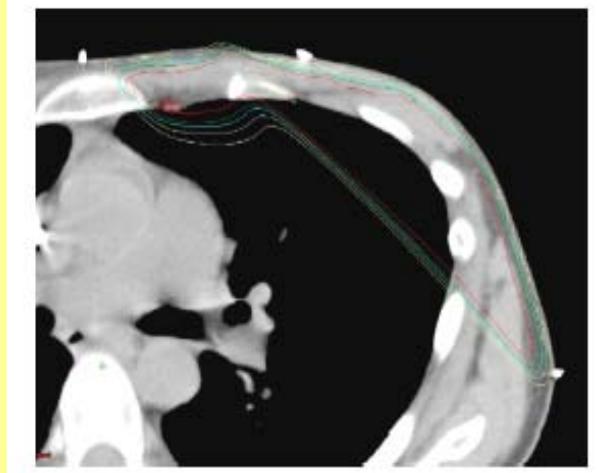
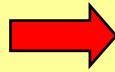
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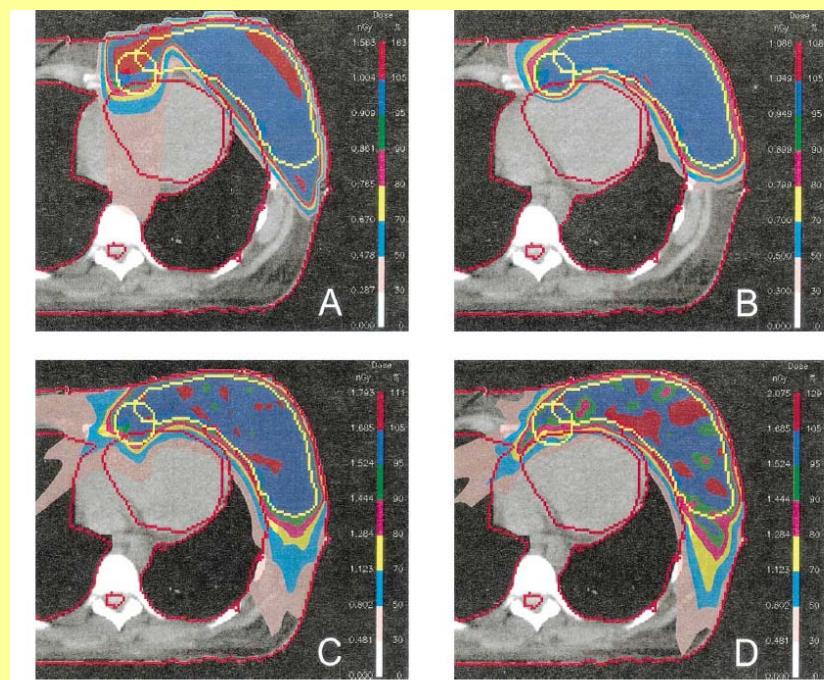
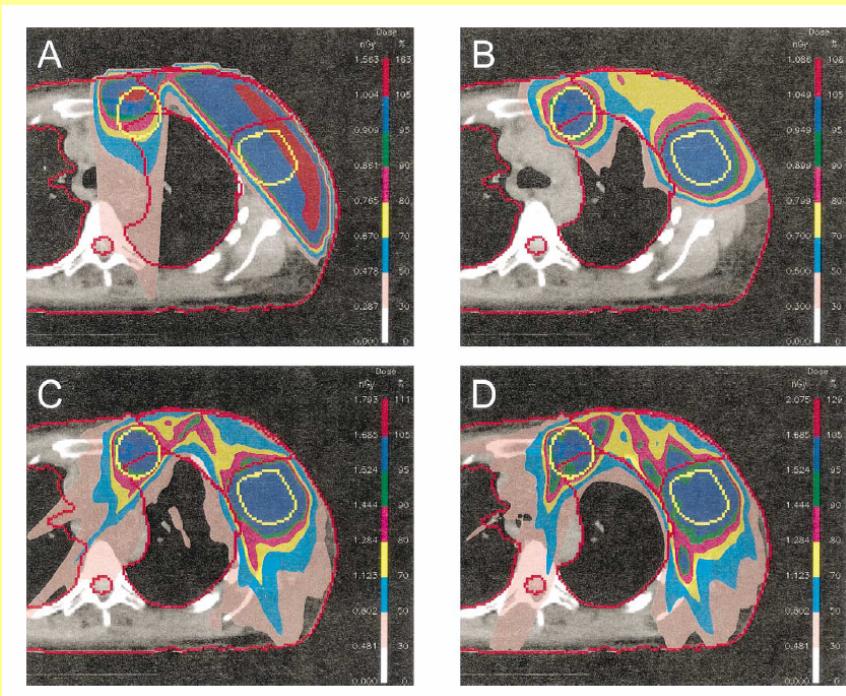


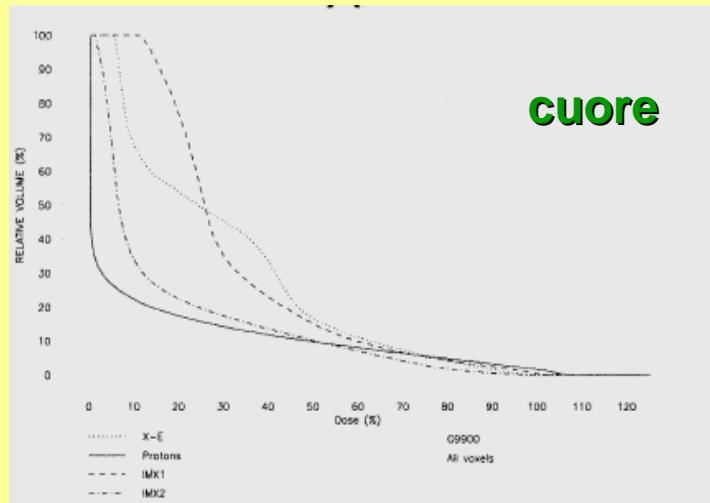
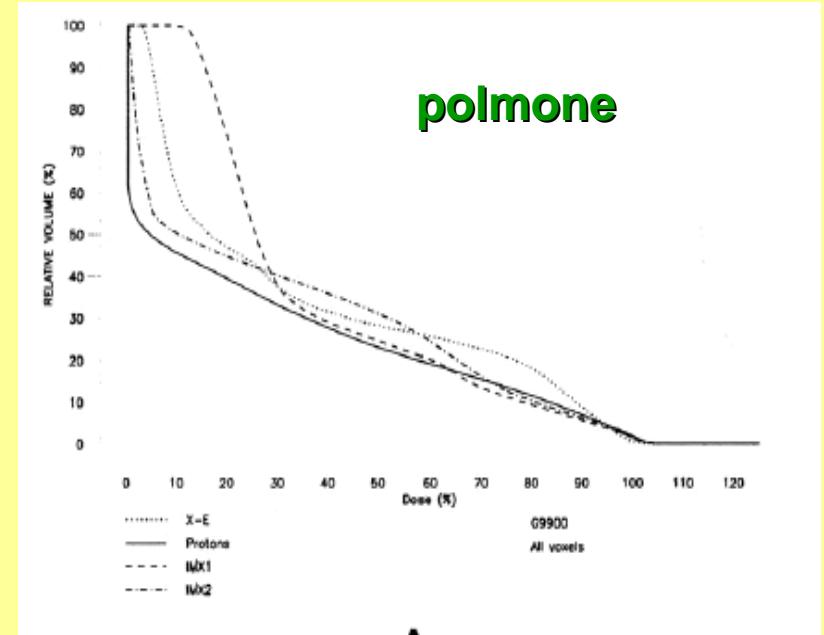
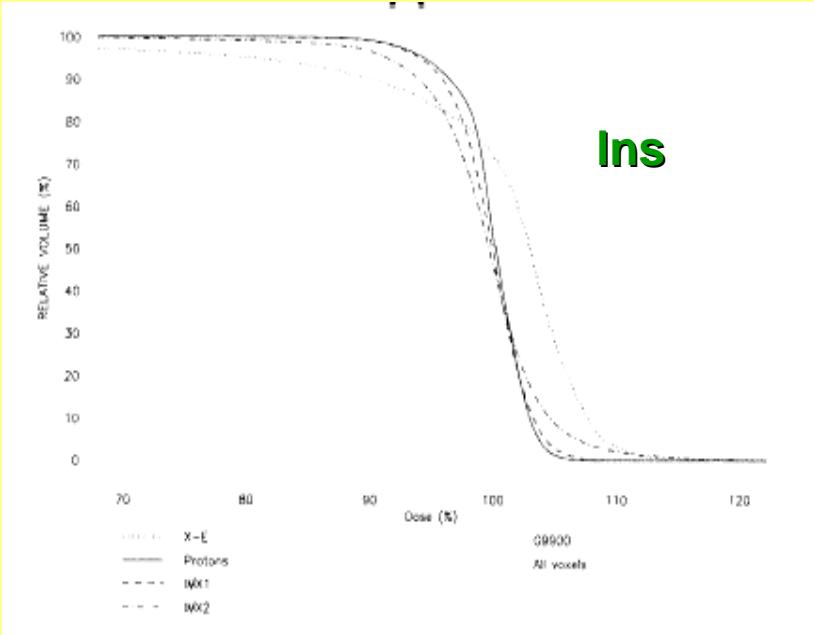
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**A = CONVENZIONALE**  
**B = PROTONI**  
**C = IMRT 1**  
**D = IMRT 2**





**IMRT**  
**Buona copertura ma perdita di dose  
 nel preservare gli OARs**

**PROTONI**  
**Migliore copertura e  
 risparmio OARs**

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Radiation to supraclavicular and internal mammary lymph nodes in breast cancer increases the risk of stroke

Toxicity at three years with and without irradiation of the internal mammary and medial supraclavicular lymph node chain in stage I to III breast cancer (EORTC trial 22922/10925)

**Table 4** ORs and 95% CIs for stroke and subtypes of stroke associated with adjuvant therapy

	Cases		Controls		Stroke, age adjusted		Cerebral haemorrhage, age adjusted		Ischaemic stroke and ill-defined cerebrovascular lesion, age adjusted	
	N	(%)	N	(%)	OR	95% CI	OR	95% CI	OR	95% CI
RT										
No	125	(44.3)	91	(32.3)	ref		ref		ref	
Yes	157	(55.7)	191	(67.7)	0.85	(0.56, 1.30)	1.39	(0.38, 5.07)	0.79	(0.50, 1.24)
RT										
No RT	127	(45.0)	92	(32.6)	ref		ref		ref	
RT, except IMC/SCL	58	(20.6)	97	(34.4)	0.45	(0.25, 0.79)	1.52	(0.35, 6.59)	0.34	(0.18, 0.65)
RT to IMC/SCL	97	(34.4)	93	(33.0)	1.32	(0.80, 2.19)	1.23	(0.25, 5.96)	1.33	(0.77, 2.28)
RT										
No RT and RT, except IMC/SCL	185	(65.6)	189	(67.0)	ref		ref		ref	
RT to IMC/SCL	97	(34.4)	93	(33.0)	1.78	(1.13, 2.82)	1.00	(0.25, 4.01)	1.93	(1.18, 3.17)

**Table 6** ORs and 95% CIs for stroke in association with daily fraction radiation doses

	Case	Control	OR	Age adjusted
<i>Daily fraction radiation dose IMC</i>				
No RT	184	189	ref	
≤2.5 Gy	20	34	0.56	(0.24, 1.31)
2.6–3.9 Gy	64	49	2.61	(1.48, 4.60)
≥4 Gy	11	10	3.05	(0.97, 9.58)
Unclear	3	0	—	—
<i>Daily fraction radiation dose SCL</i>				
No RT	183	190	ref	
≤2.5 Gy	19	33	0.54	(0.23, 1.29)
2.6–3.9 Gy	45	36	2.14	(1.15, 3.99)
≥4 Gy	32	23	4.06	(1.85, 8.94)
Unclear	3	0	—	—

CI = confidence interval; IMC = internal mammary chain; OR = odds ratio; RT = radiotherapy; SCL = supraclavicular.

**Rischio stroke correlata al frazionamento giornaliero non alla lateralità di malattia**

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Table VI. Correlation between toxicity and WHO performance status deterioration at three years

Deterioration by year 3	No Change/ improvement (N=3056)	Deterioration (N=285)			
	N (%)	N (%)	OR	95% CI	P-value
Any lung toxicity					
No	2972 (91.5)	276 (8.5)			
Yes	84 (90.3)	9 (9.7)	1.19	0.59-2.41	0.62
Lung Fibrosis (to year 3)					
No	2996 (91.5)	280 (8.5)			
Yes	56 (91.8)	5 (8.2)	1.02	0.40-2.59	0.96
Missing	4 (100.0)	0 (0.0)			
Cardiac Fibrosis (to year 3)					
No	3038 (91.4)	285 (8.6)		Too small	
Yes	11 (100.0)	0 (0.0)		sample for	
Missing	7 (100.0)	0 (0.0)		testing	
Evidence of cardiac disease (to year 3)					
No	2989 (91.9)	265 (8.1)			
Yes	38 (76.0)	12 (24.0)	3.71	1.90-7.24	<0.0001
Missing	29 (78.4)	8 (21.6)			

**Tossicità polmonare**

**4% vs 1.3 %**

**p <0.0001**

**Tossicità cardiaca**

**0.3% vs 0.4%**

**P = 0.55**

**Nessun impatto sul PS**

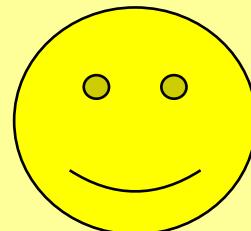
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