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Phase II study of FFF-SBRT in 5 fractions for low and intermediate risk prostate cancer



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Background

- Combination of IGRT and IMRT: delivery of an increased dose to the target while limiting toxicity to normal tissues.
- Several studies suggest that prostate cancer may have a low alpha/beta ratio. The slow proliferating prostate cancer cells have high sensitivity to dose per fraction.
Brenner et al., 2002; Dasu, 2007
- The linear/quadratic model suggests that SBRT is able to deliver the equivalent dose of a radical treatment in a few days schedule.

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Background

Study	Treatment	# of patients	Risk group(s)	Median follow-up (months)	Late Grade 3 GU Toxicity	Late Grade 3 GI Toxicity	FFBF
GANTRY-BASED SYSTEMS							
<i>Madsen et al.</i>	33.5 Gy in 5 fx	40	low	41	None	None	90% 4-years actuarial
<i>Boike et al.</i>	45-50 Gy in 5 fx *	45	low & int	30, 18, 12	4%	2% plus 1 Grade 4	100%
<i>Mantz et al.</i>	40 Gy in 5 fx *	80	low	36	None	None	100%
CYBERKNIFE							
<i>King et al.</i>	36.25 Gy in 5 fx ‡	67	low	32	3.5%	None	97%
<i>Friedland et al.</i>	35 Gy in 5 fx	112	low, int, & high	24	< 1%	None	98%
<i>Katz et al.</i>	35 – 36.25 Gy in 5 fx	304	low, int & high	48	2%	None	97, 93, 75% 4-year actuarial
<i>Freeman et al.</i>	7-7.25 Gy in 5 fx	41	low	60	< 1%	None	93% 5-year actuarial
<i>Bolzico et al.</i>	35 Gy in 5 fx	46	low, int	20	None	2%	100%
<i>Jabbari et al.</i>	38 Gy in 4 fx †	38	low & int	18	5%	None	100%
<i>McBride et al.</i>	36.25-37.5 Gy in 5 fx	45	low	44	< 1%	None	100%
<i>Fuller et al.</i>	38 Gy in 4 fx †	54	low & int	36	4%	None	98%
<i>Kang et al.</i>	32-36 Gy in 4 fx	44	low, int & high	40	None	None	100%, 100%, 90.9%

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Objectives

Prospective phase II pilot feasibility study

Primary end-points

- Acute and late toxicity (*criteria CT-CAE v4.0 2010*)
- Survival free from biochemical failure (*Phoenix's definition 2005*)

Secondary end-points

- Quality of life (*EPIC questionnaire*)

Materials and methods

Inclusion criteria

- Age ≤ 80 years
- WHO performance status ≤ 2 .
- Histologically proven prostate adenocarcinoma
→ Any case where prophylactic lymph node irradiation is not required (risk of microscopic involvement $\leq 15\%$)
- PSA ≤ 20 ng/ml.
- T1-T2 (localized)-stage
- No pathologic lymph nodes at CT/ MR and no distant metastases
- No previous prostate surgery other than TURP
- No malignant tumors in the previous 5 years
- IPSS 0-7
- Combined HT according to risk factors.
- Informed consent

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Materials and methods

Radiotherapy schedule

- Totale dose **35 Gy**
- 5 fractions of **7 Gy** on alternate days
- VMAT technique with FFF beams
- EQD2 = between 70 – 85 Gy for α/β between 3 -1.5 Gy.

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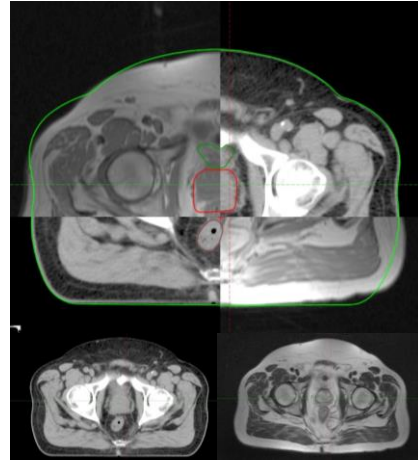
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Simulation and Target definition

- Simulation CT
- Simulation MRI
- CT/MRI registration

CTV: prostate + SV, except for T1-T2 lesions with risk of SV involvement $\leq 15\%$ in which case CTV is prostate only

PTV: CTV + 5 mm margin in each direction

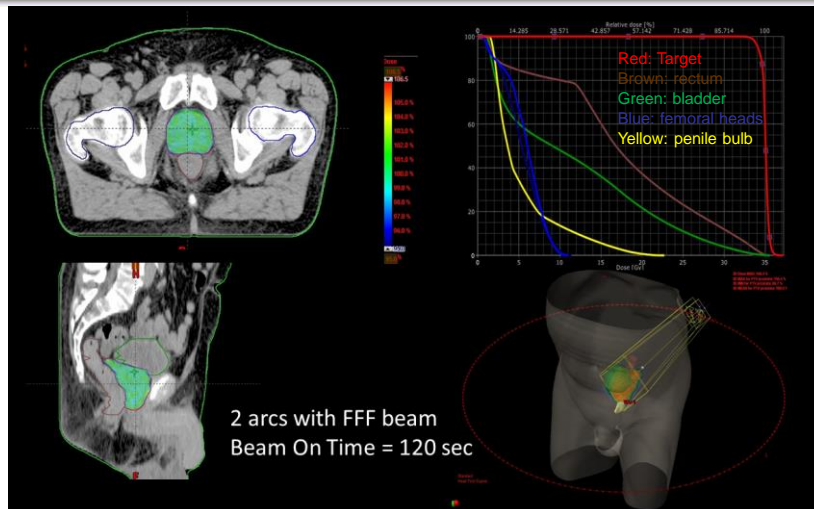


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Treatment planning



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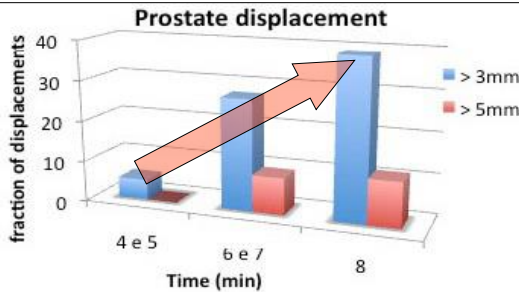
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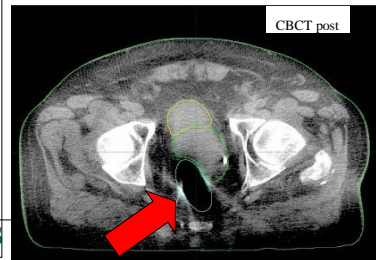
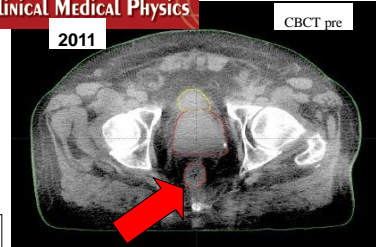
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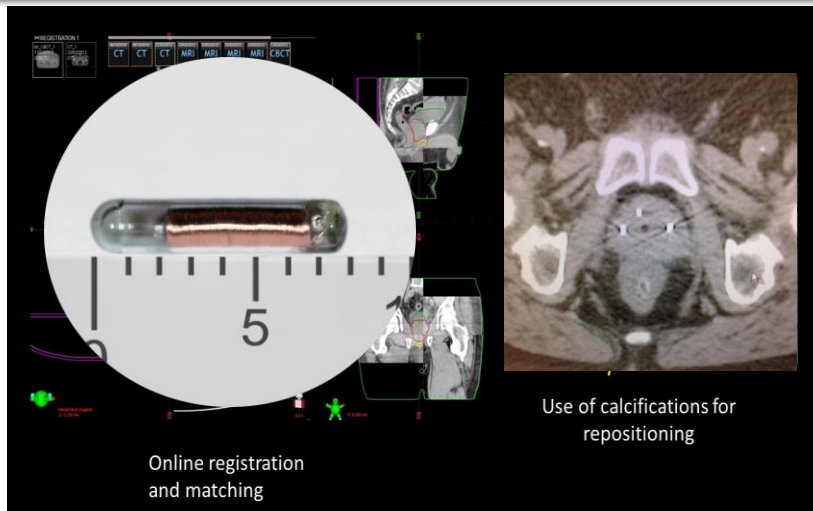
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Treatment verification



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Results

N. of patients	75 *
Recruitment	Dec 2011 – Apr 2014
Median Age [year]	70 [48 – 80]
Median Gleason Score	6 [6–7]
Initial PSA [ng/mL]	Median: 7.17 [0.5–17]
NCCN Low Risk Class	47
NCCN Intermediate Risk Class	28
CTV [cm3]	Mean: 58.4 [25,1–110,2]
PTV [cm3]	Mean: 108.6 [52.8–182.2]

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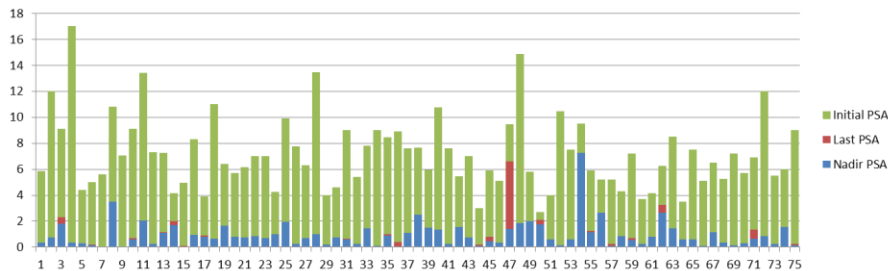
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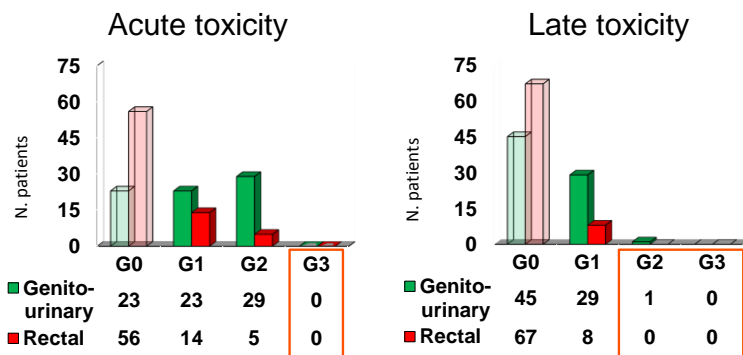
Follow-up [months]	Mean: 17.1 Range: 6–29 Median: 17,8
Nadir PSA [ng/mL]	Mean: 0,97 Range: 0.02–7.25
Last PSA [ng/mL]	Mean: 1,10 Range: 0.02–7.25



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Conclusions

- SBRT with RapidArc and FFF beams in 5 fractions for prostate cancer is well tolerated in acute and late settings
- A longer follow-up is needed to assess definitive toxicity and outcome
- Randomized clinical trials could clarify the role of SBRT in prostate cancer.

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