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Radioterapia Oncologica: l'evoluzione al servizio dei pazienti

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Advanced Radiation  
Therapy

Image Registration

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## DICHIARAZIONE

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Come da nuova regolamentazione della Commissione Nazionale per la Formazione Continua del Ministero della Salute, è richiesta la trasparenza delle fonti di finanziamento e dei rapporti con soggetti portatori di interessi commerciali in campo sanitario.

- Posizione di dipendente in aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario (**NIENTE DA DICHIARARE**)
- Consulenza ad aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario (**NIENTE DA DICHIARARE**)
- Fondi per la ricerca da aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario (**Varian Medical System**)
- Partecipazione ad Advisory Board (**NIENTE DA DICHIARARE**)
- Titolarità di brevetti in compartecipazione ad aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario (**NIENTE DA DICHIARARE**)
- Partecipazioni azionarie in aziende con interessi commerciali in campo sanitario (**NIENTE DA DICHIARARE**)
- Altro

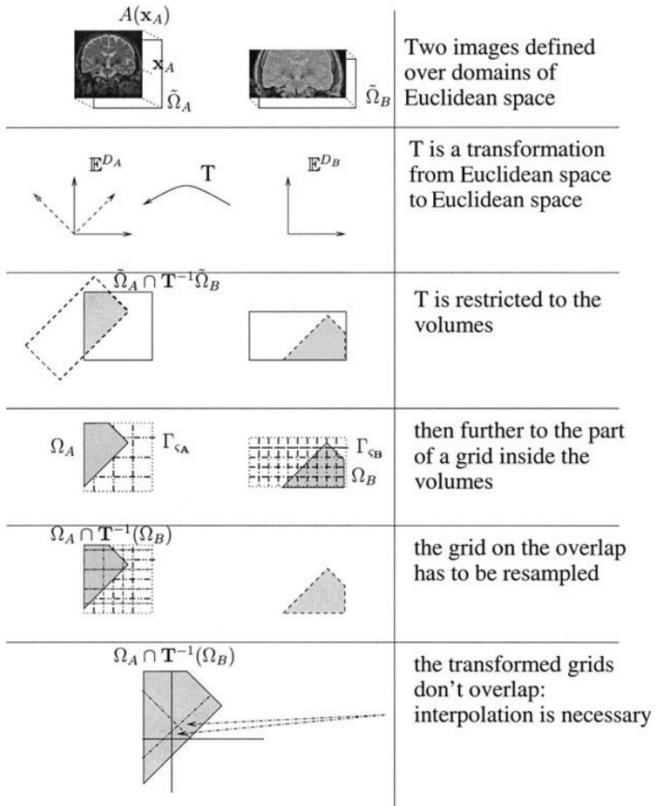
**Definition:** image registration is the process of transforming different sets of data into one coordinate system. Data may be multiple photographs, data from different sensors, times, depths, or viewpoints. Registration is necessary in order to be able to compare or integrate the data obtained from these different measurements.

Richard Szeliski, Image Alignment and Stitching: A Tutorial. Foundations and Trends in Computer Graphics and Computer Vision, 2:1-104, 2006.

## Rigid registration:

1. scaling
2. 6 degree of freedom roto-translation
3. interpolation

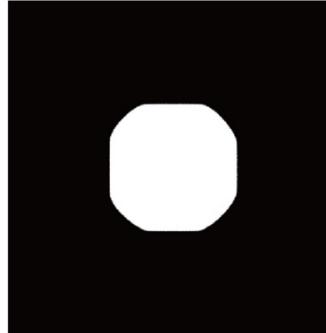
Hajnal, J. V., Hill, D. L. G., & Hawkes, D. J. (2001). Medical image registration. *Medical Image Registration*, 46, 1–383.



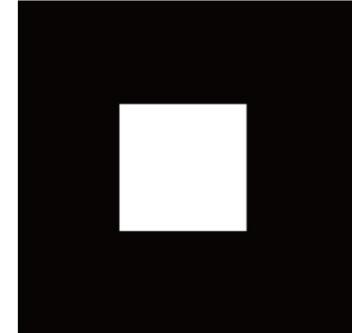
## Deformable registration:

Identifies the spatial correspondence in order to minimize the differences between two or among multiple sets of images.

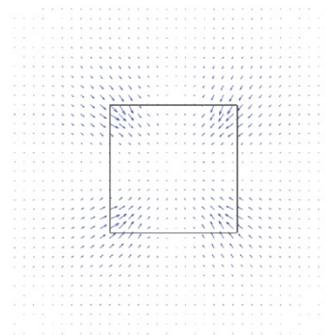
It introduces geometric *transformation*.



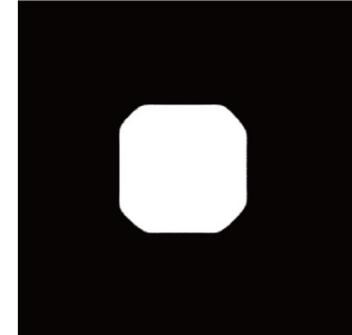
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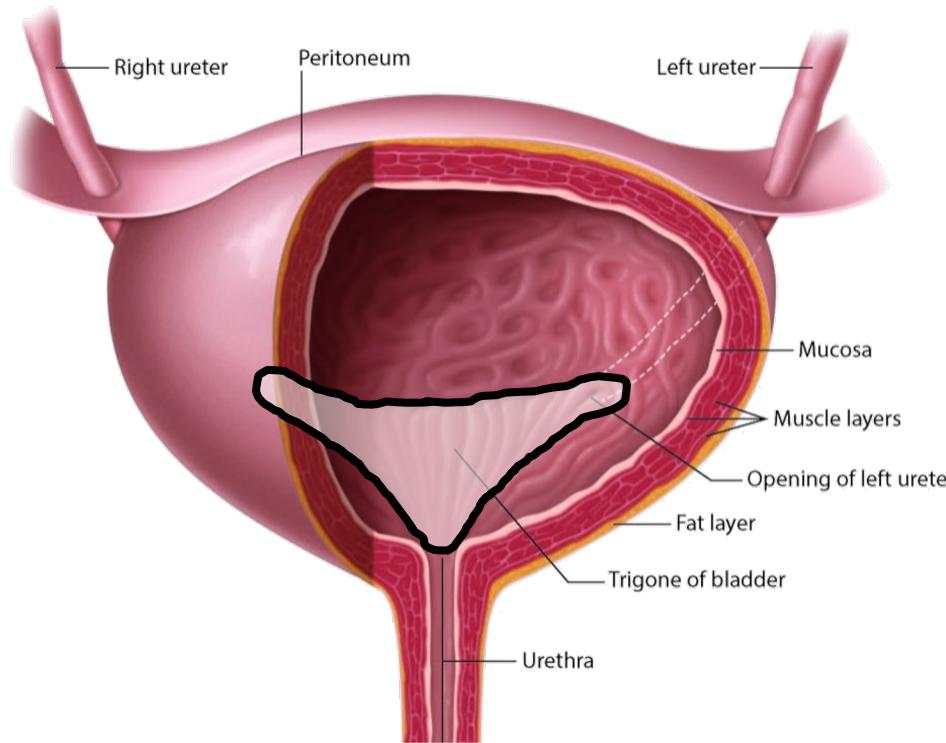
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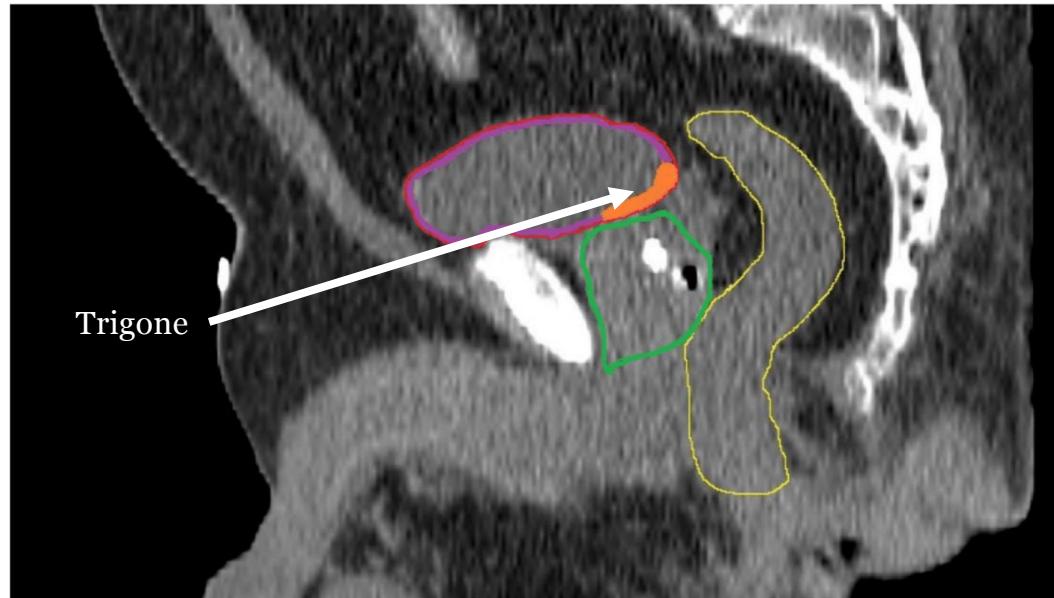
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Dowling, J. A., & O'Connor, L. M. (2020). Deformable image registration in radiation therapy. *Journal of Medic Radiation Sciences*, 67(4), 257–259.

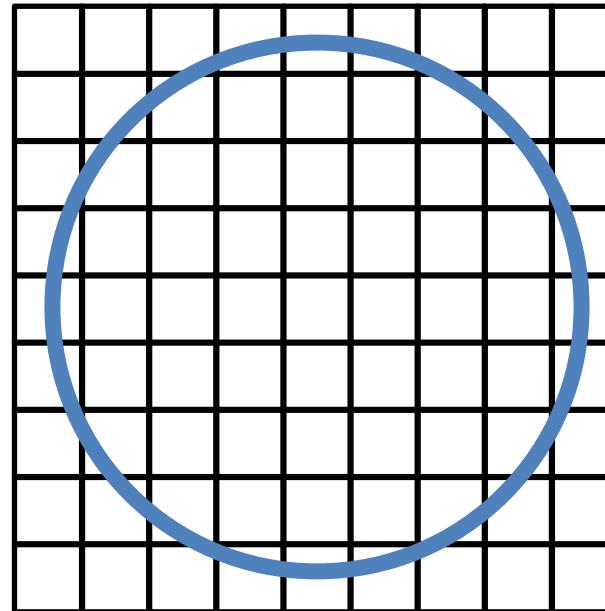
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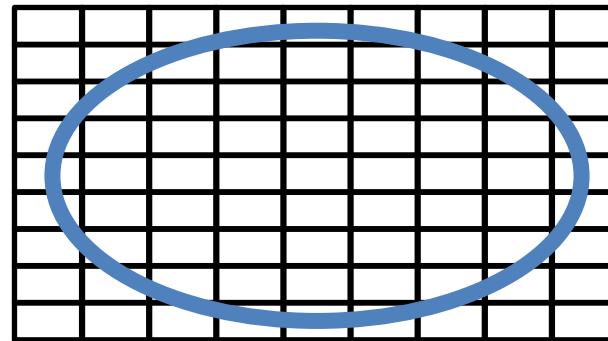
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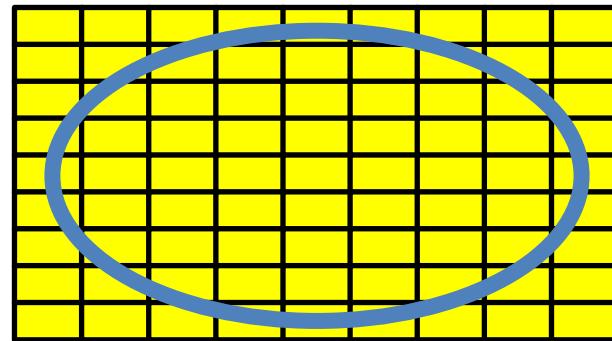
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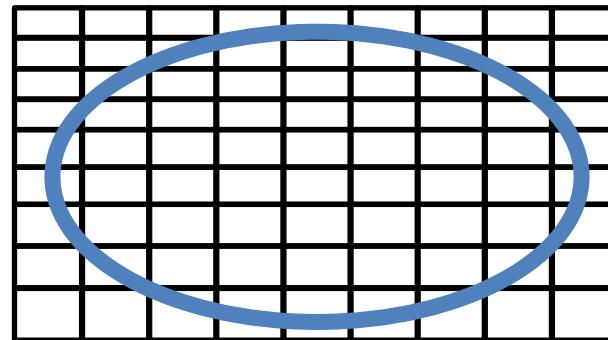
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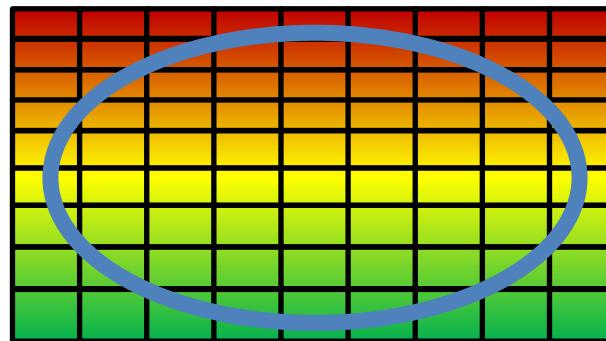
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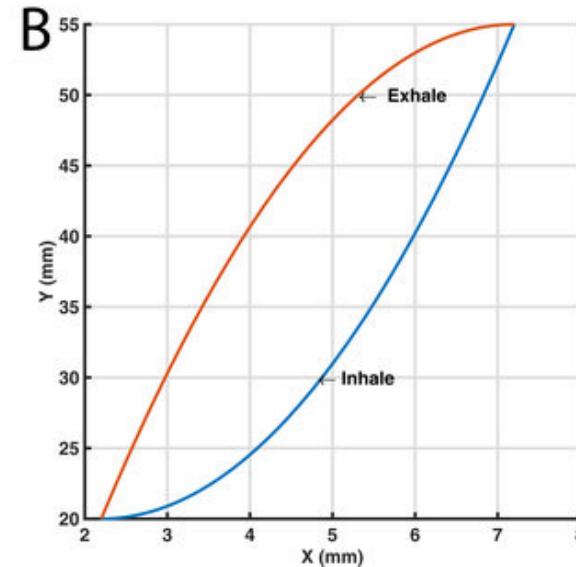
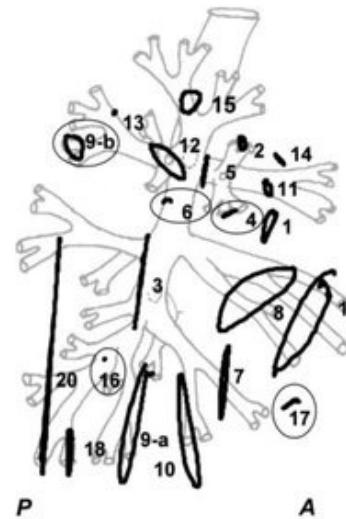
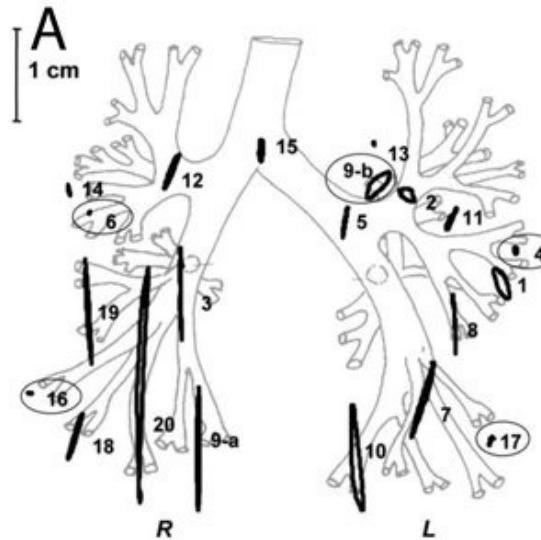
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These artifacts can affect different steps in radiotherapy planning and treatment:

- 1) Structure reconstruction (e.g. by CBCT)
- 2) Online and offline adaptation
- 3) Online and offline dose distribution adaptive summation
- 4) Hollow organs or lungs registrations

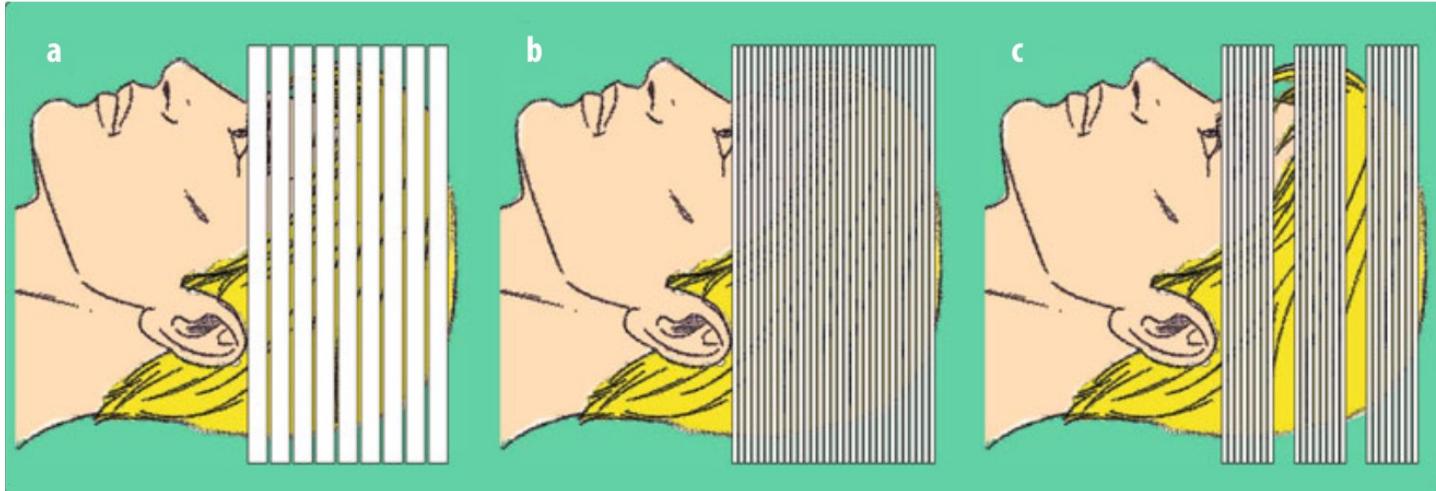
## Lung histeresis



Escolar, J. D. D., & Escolar, A. (2004). Lung histeresis: A morphological view. Histology and Histopathology, 19(1), 159–166.

## Image registration problems: what kind of imaging?

1. MR for brain – choose the sequence according delineation needs  
(T1c – T2 – FLAIR – FSPGR)
2. MR for brain – 3D or 2D?



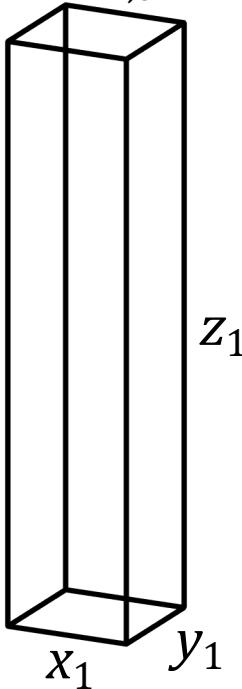
2D

3D

3D - multislab

Coriasco M, et al., Elementi di Risonanza Magnetica, Springer, 2014

$Z_1 > X_1, Y_1$

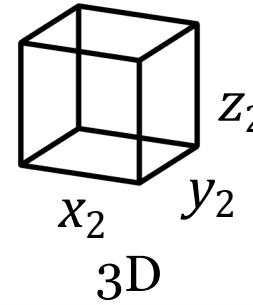


Morphological  
T1 – T2\*

2D

$X_1 < X_2$

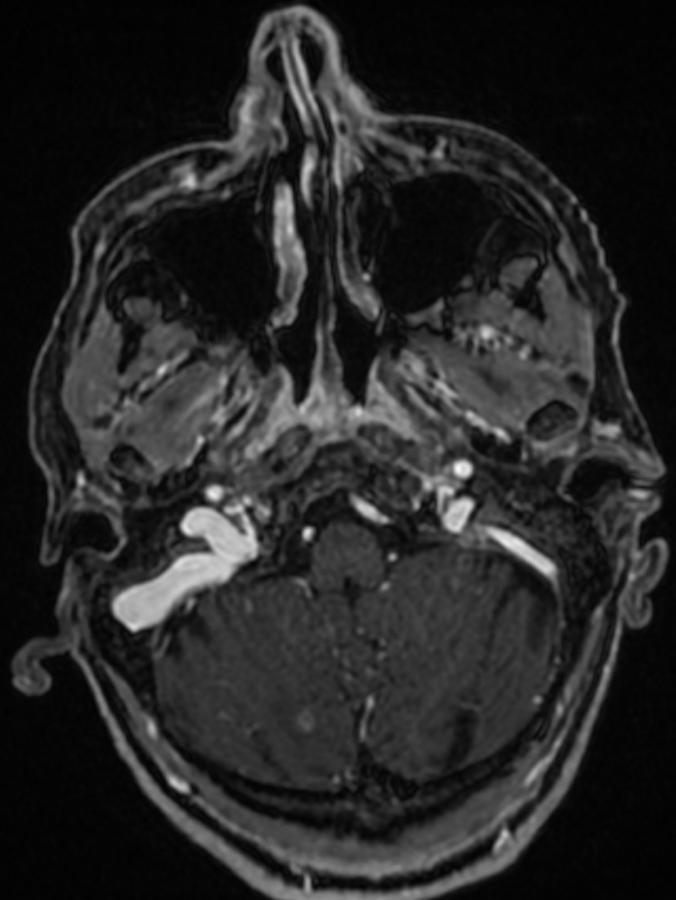
$Z_2 = X_2, Y_2$



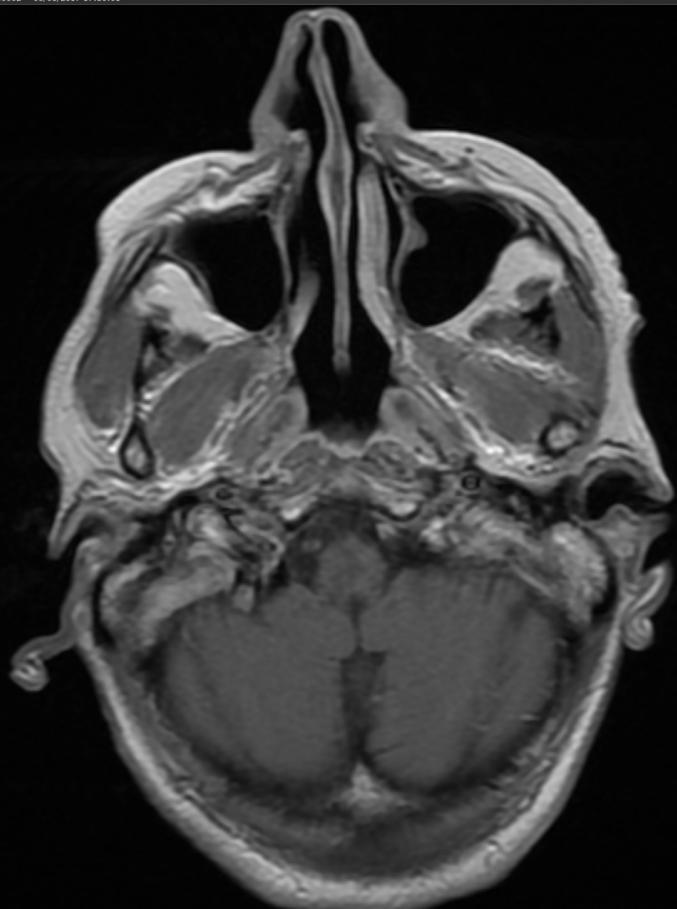
3D FSPGR

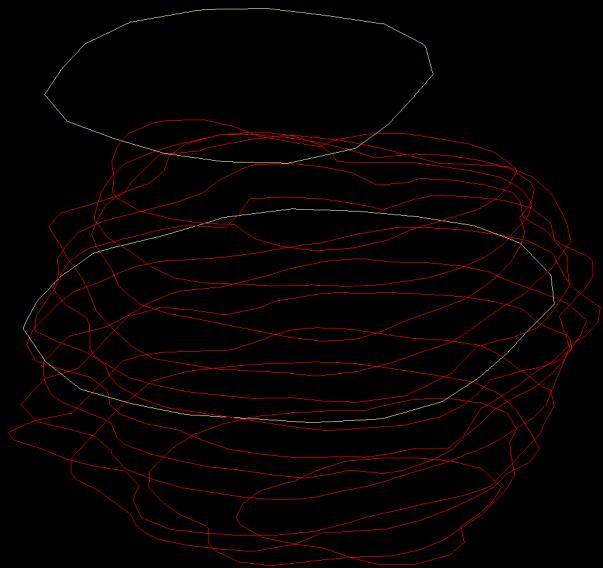
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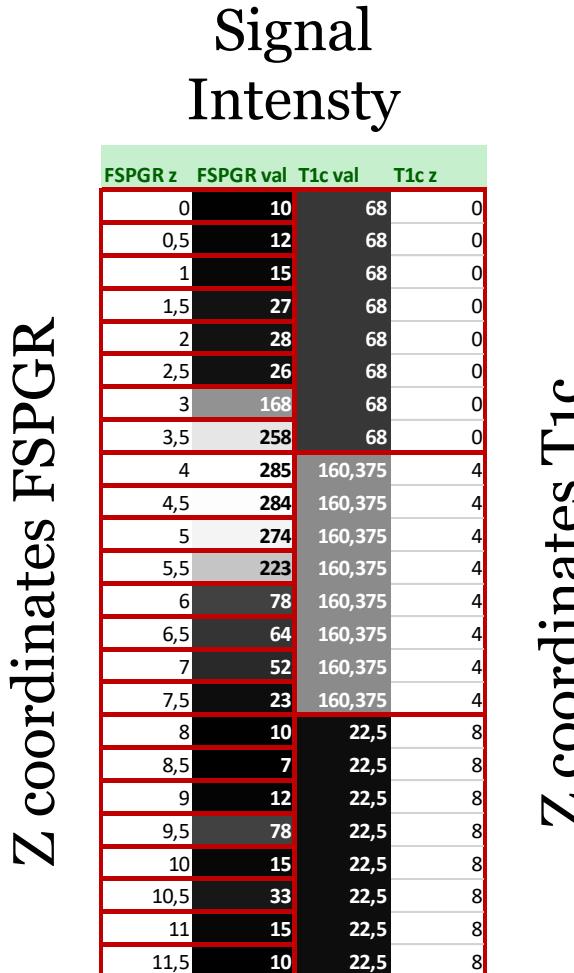


Wires



3D model

# Partial volume artifact



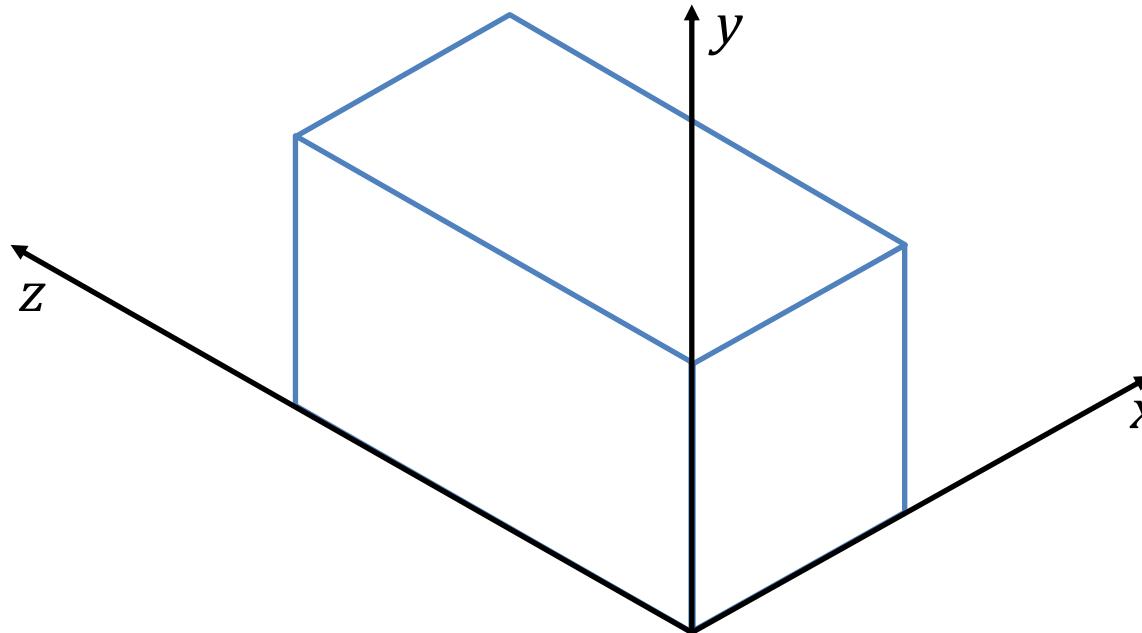
Consider a voxel that contains fractional amounts  $f_A$  and  $f_B$  of two materials, A and B. The MR signal from the entire voxel (SV) will then reflect the **weighted average** of signals  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  from the two components

$$SV = f_A S_A + f_B S_B$$

Imperfect RF-pulse profiles may also cause to partial volume effects by exciting tissues outside the desired slice. When multiple slices are placed side by side, this interference is known as **cross-talk**.

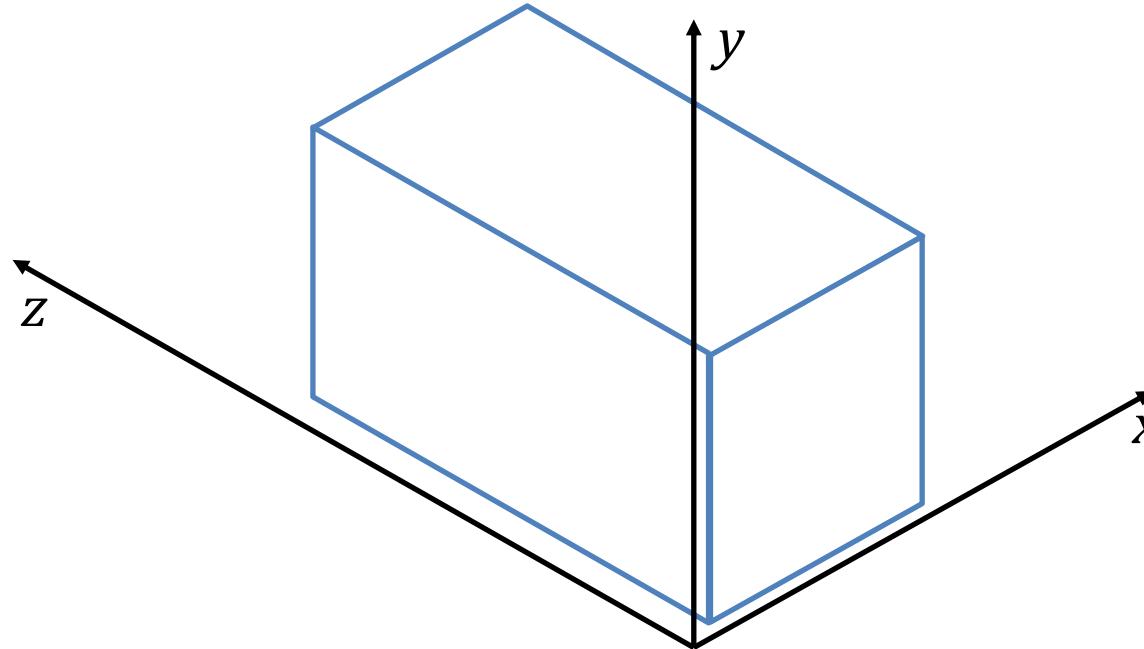
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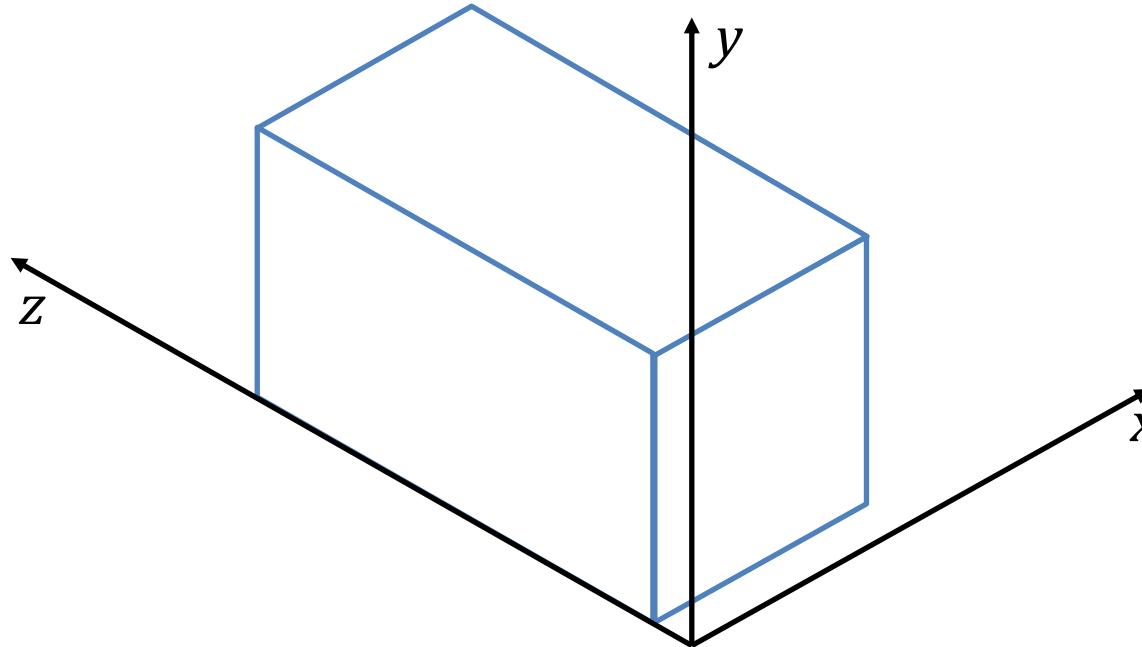
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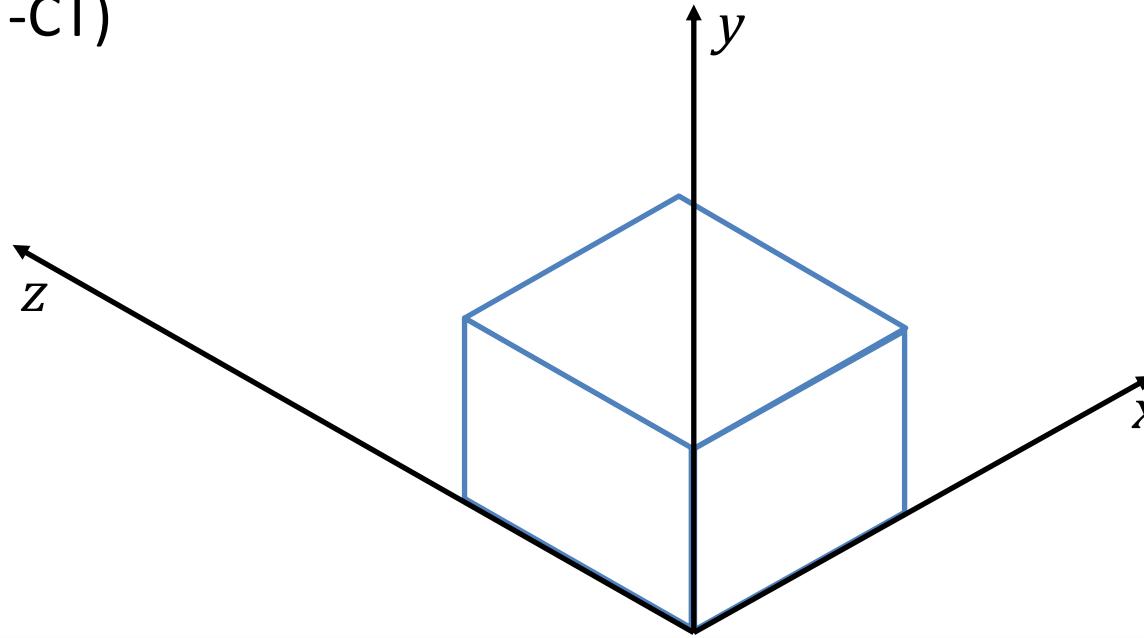
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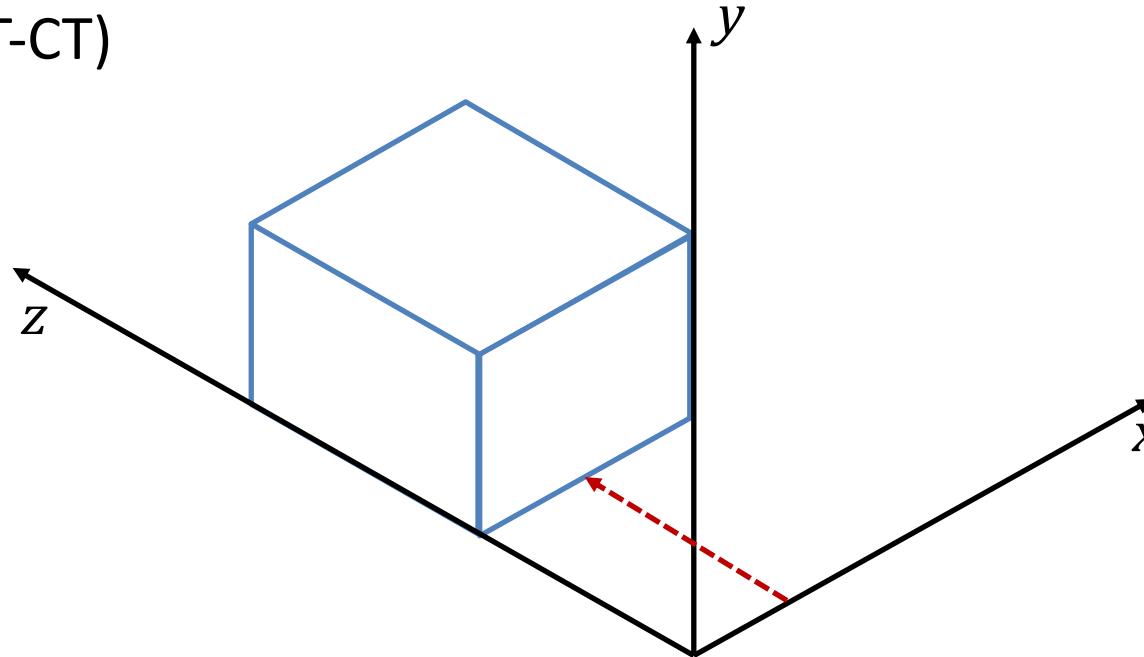
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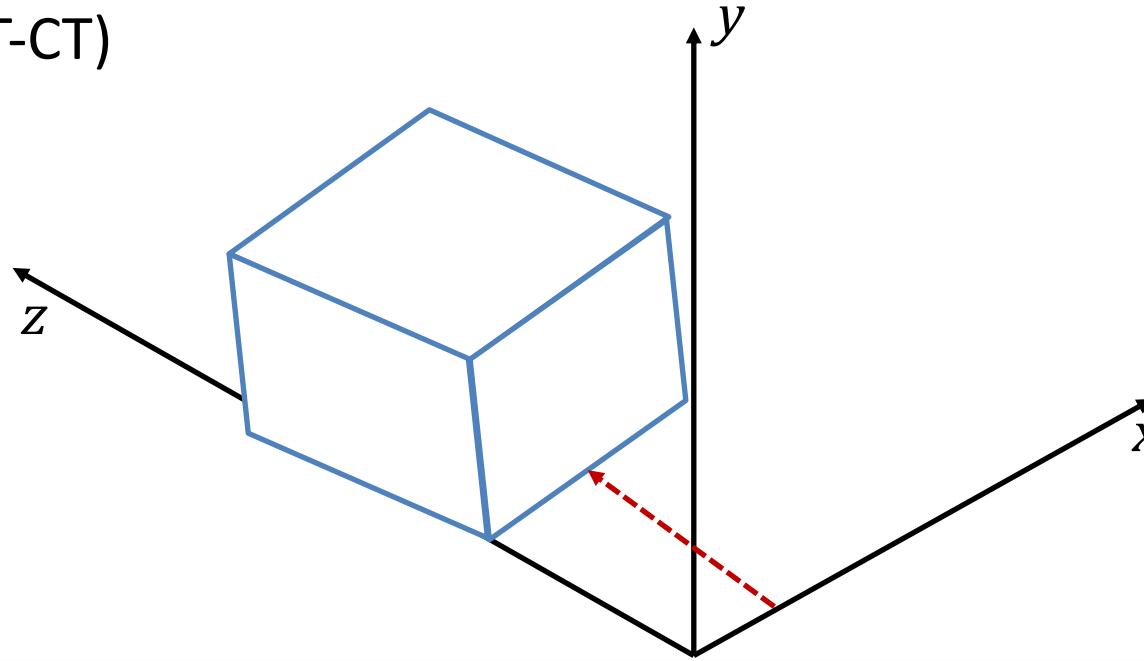
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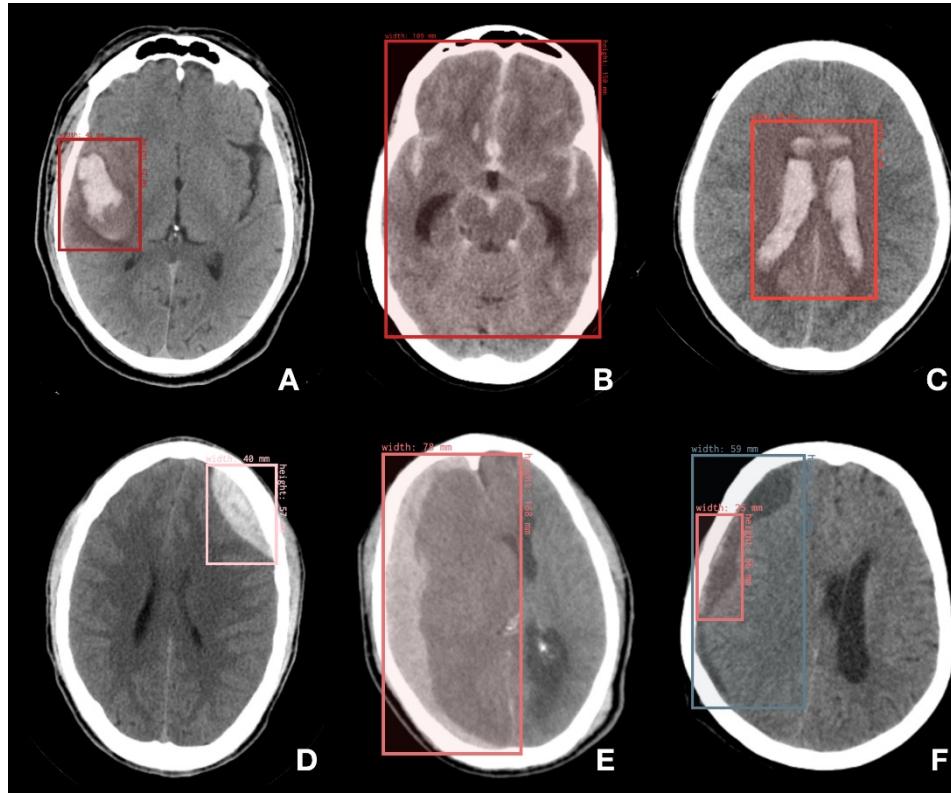
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## Image registration problems: choosing the correct boundaries

User bounding box selection for meaningful  
part of image series

Reis, E. P., Nascimento, F., Aranha, M., Mainetti Secol, F., Machado, B., Felix, M., Stein, A., & Amaro, E. (2020). Brain Hemorrhage Extended (BHX): Bounding box extrapolation from thick to thin slice CT images (version 1.1). PhysioNet.





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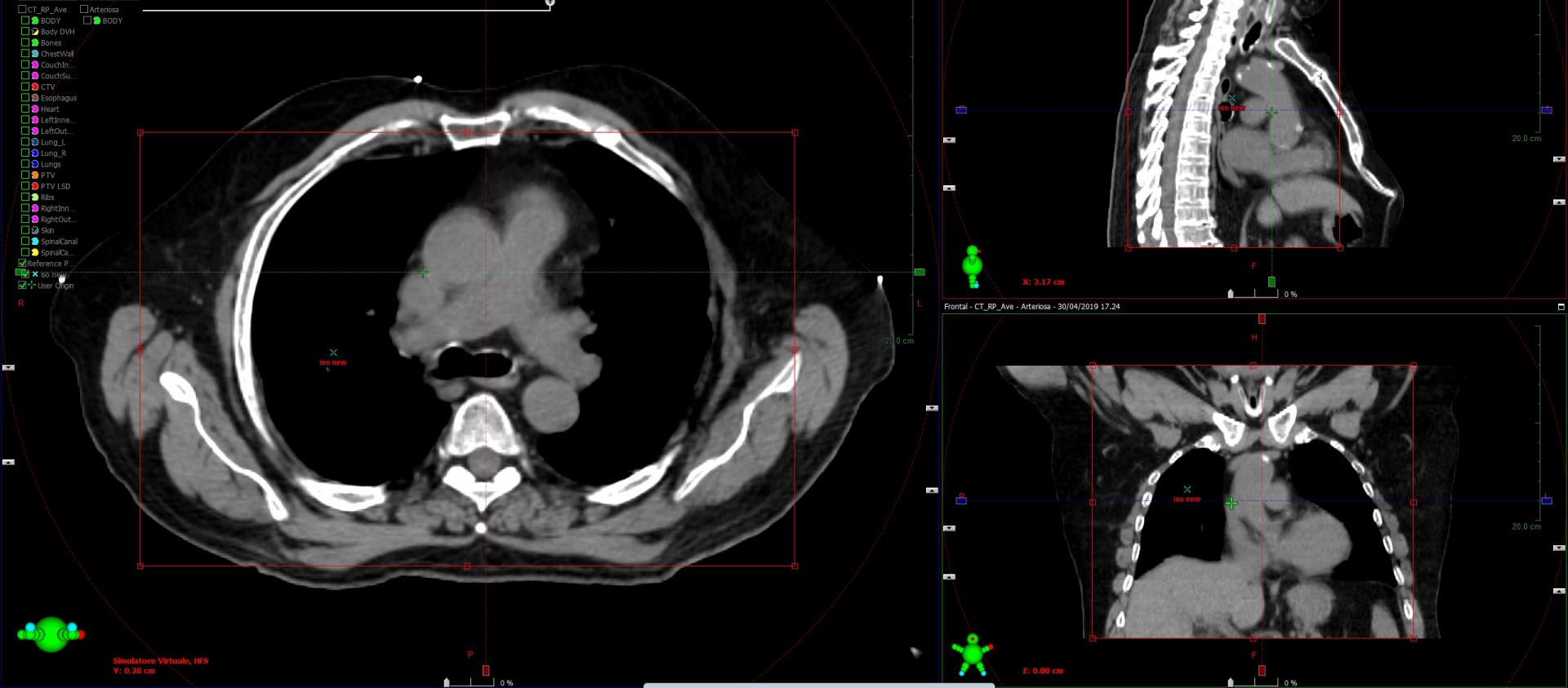
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