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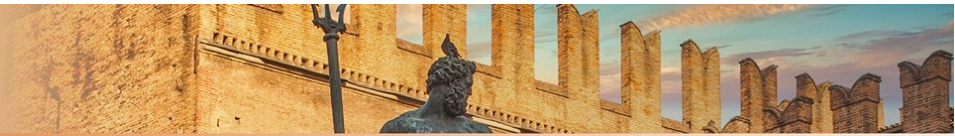
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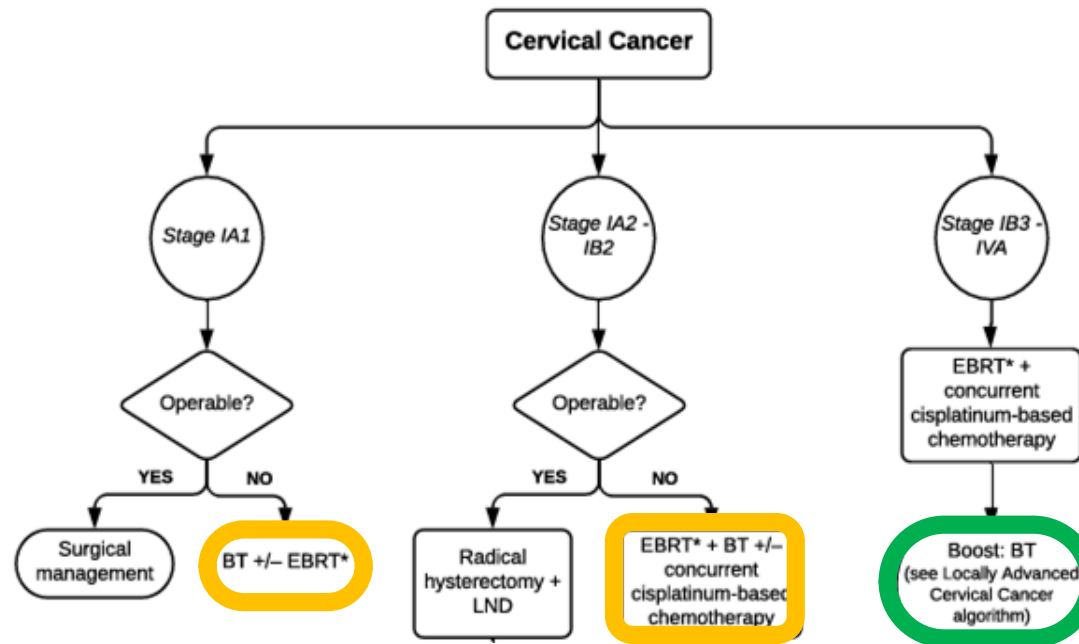
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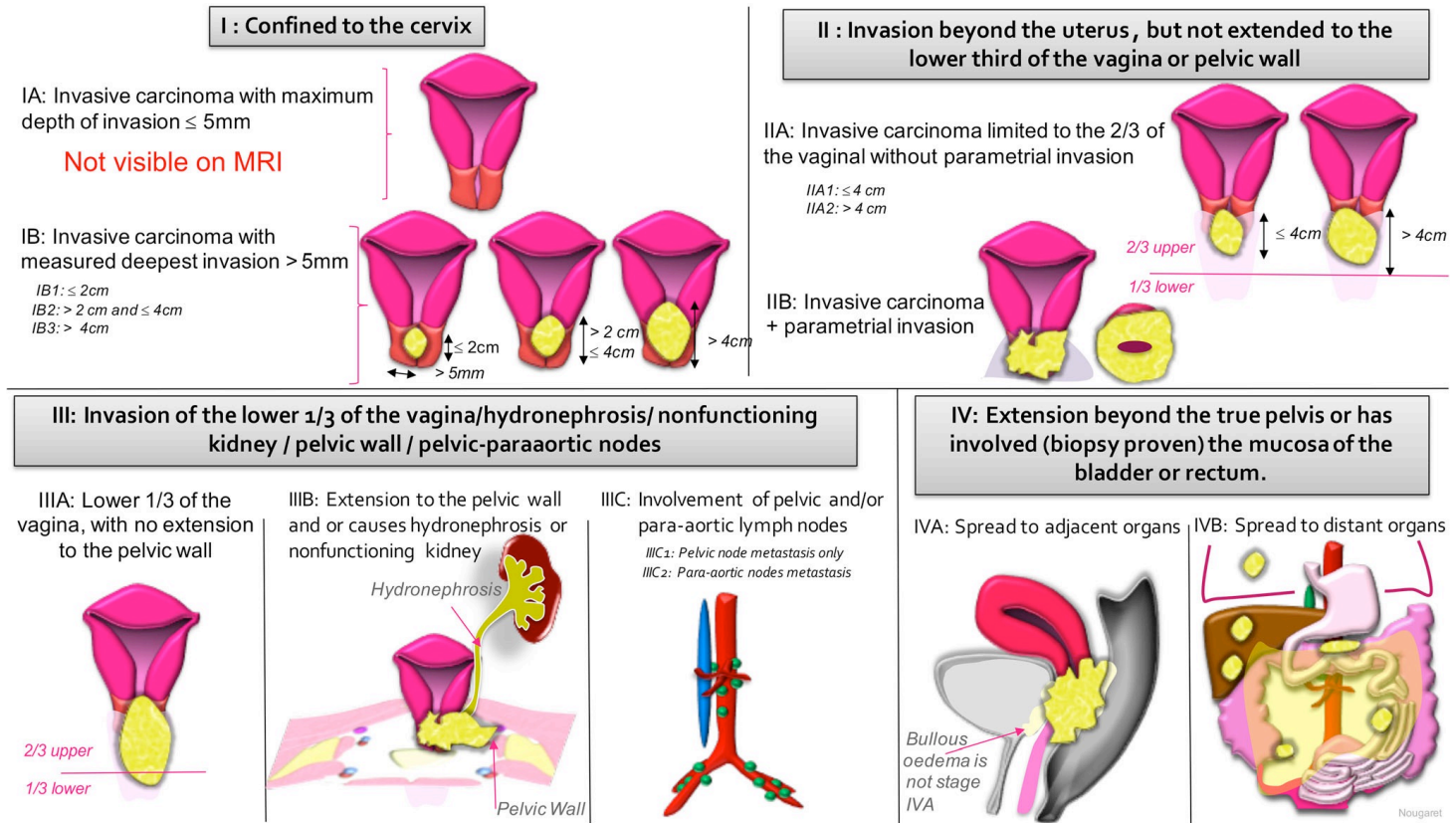


PRIMARY RADIOTHERAPY FOR CERVICAL CANCER: EBRT + BT





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Cervix

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NRG Oncology/RTOG Consensus Guidelines for Delineation of Clinical Target Volume for Intensity Modulated Pelvic Radiation Therapy in Postoperative Treatment of Endometrial and Cervical Cancer: An Update

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MAPPING PELVIC LYMPH NODES: GUIDELINES FOR DELINEATION IN INTENSITY-MODULATED RADIOTHERAPY

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BACKGROUND

EMBRACE II study protocol v.1.0

Image guided intensity modulated
External beam radiochemotherapy and
MRI based adaptive BRachytherapy
in locally advanced Cervical cancer

EMBRACE-II

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Mise au point

Délimitation des volumes cibles anatomocliniques pour la radiothérapie des cancers du col utérin



Radiotherapy for cervix carcinomas: Clinical target volume delineation

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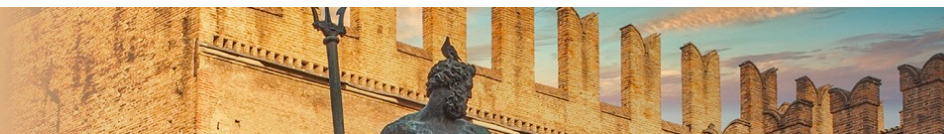
An atlas to aid delineation of para-aortic lymph node region in cervical cancer: Design and validation of contouring guidelines



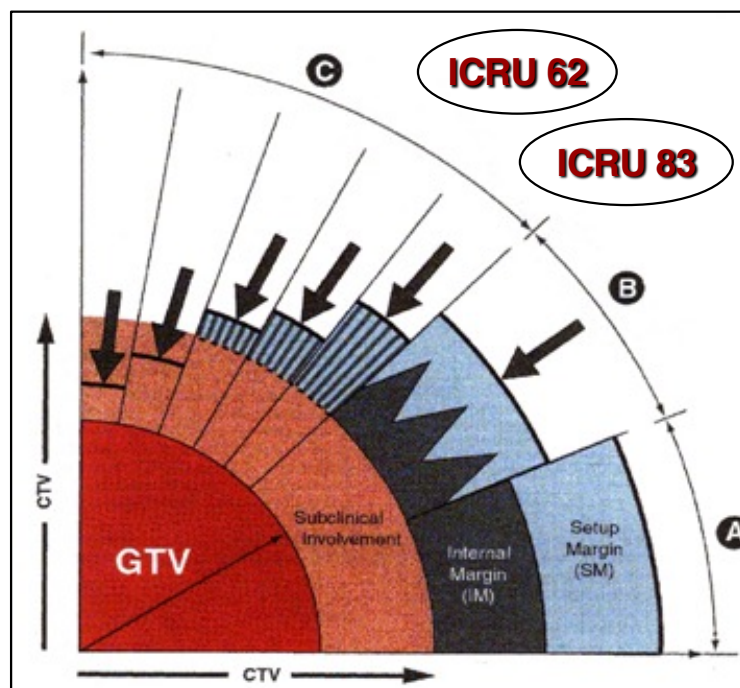
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TARGET VOLUMES in 3DCRT / IMRT



- GTVp (GTV primary, GTV-T)
- GTVn (GTV nodal: GTVn1-2...)
- CTVp (CTV-T)
- CTVn (CTV-E; CTV-N1-2....)
- PTVs



CTVp (primary)

- GTVp (GTV primary)
- Uterine cervix
- Uterine corpus
- Parametrium
- Ovary
- Vagina



CTVp (primary)

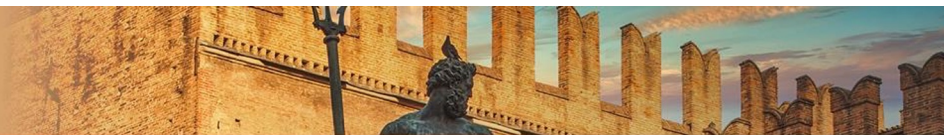
Areas of controversy:

- Anatomical boundaries for the parametrial tissue
- The length of normal vagina to treat
- PTV margin recommendations
- The use of bladder and/or bowel preparation

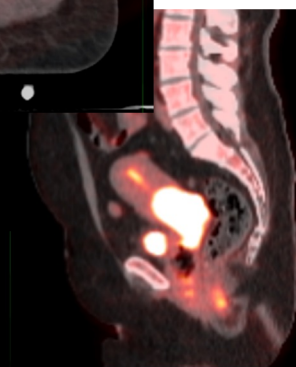
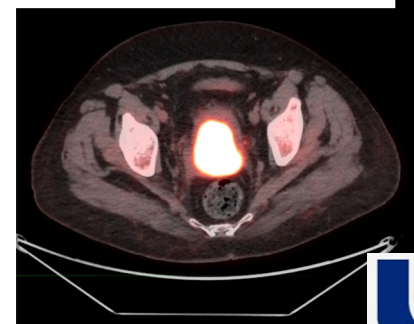
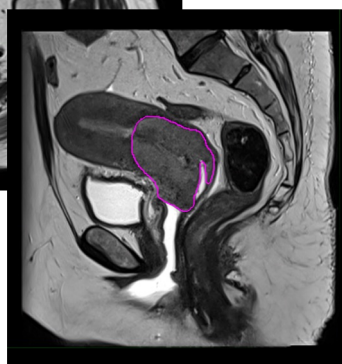
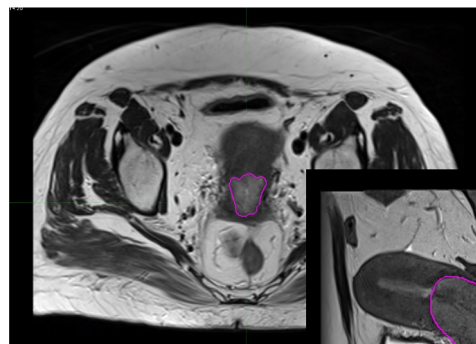
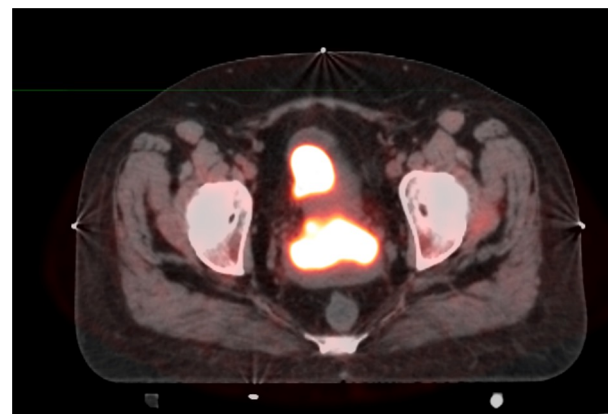
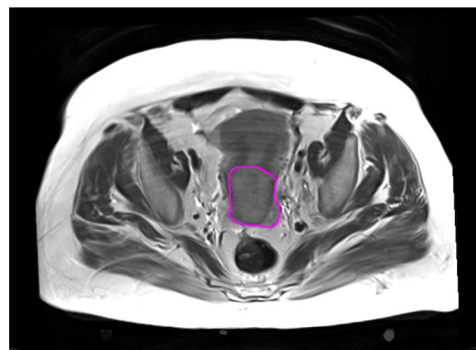
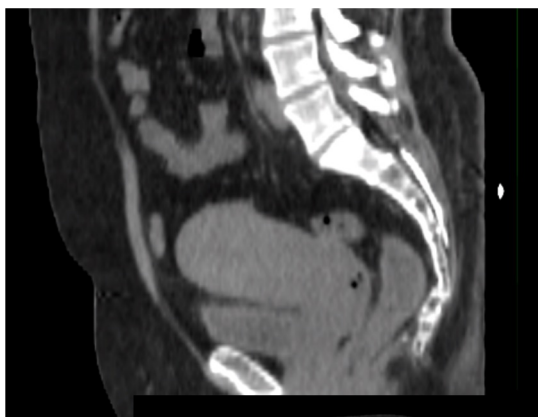


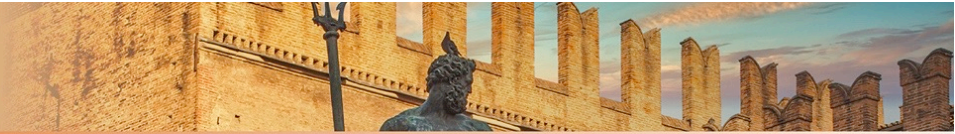
□ GTVp

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entire GTV; intermediate/high signal seen on T2-weighted MR images 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gross disease visible on MRI T2WI • <u>Lesion detected by Clinical examination</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gross disease visible on MRI <u>and/or PET</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary cervix tumour (inside and outside the cervix), defined by T2WI MRI, supported by clinical investigation, <u>FDG PET-CT</u> information



□ GTVp



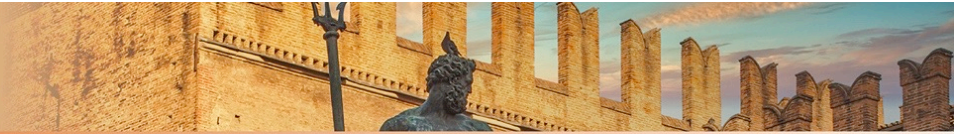


□ Uterin cervix

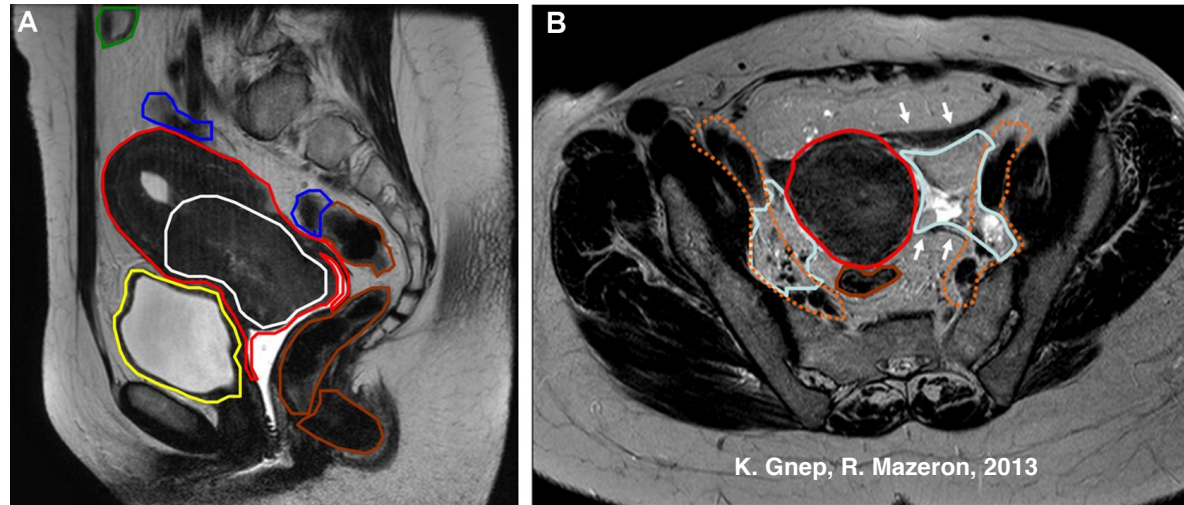
RTOG consensus guidelines, 2011	JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011	K. Gnep, R. Mazon, 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entire cervix; if not already included within GTV contour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cranial margin: at level in which uterine arteries enter the uterus (as for parametrium) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entire cervix

□ Uterin corpus

RTOG consensus guidelines, 2011	JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011	K. Gnep, R. Mazon, 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entire uterus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visualized corpus on CT No CTV margin (..the majority of the uterine corpus is suspended within the pelvic cavity <u>without surrounding</u> the connective tissue) The broad ligaments, round ligaments and ovarian <u>ligaments do not need to be included</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entire uterus



□ Uterin corpus



Why the entire uterus?

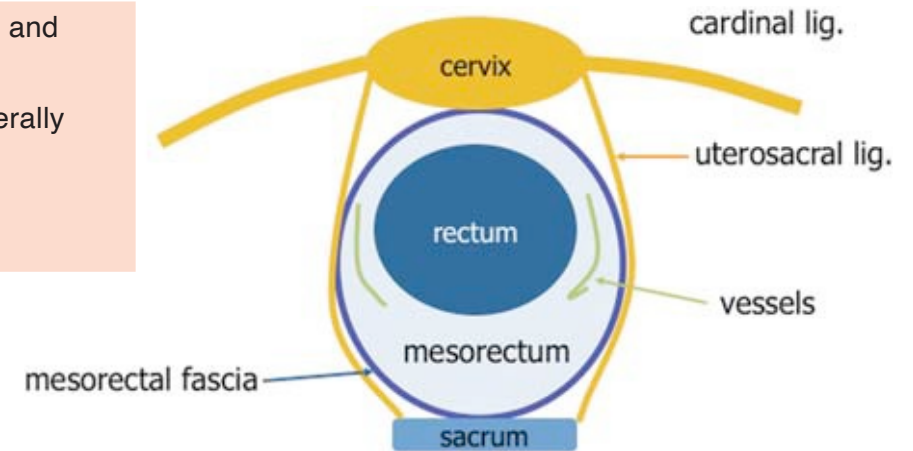
1. The uterus and cervix are embryologically one unit with interconnected lymphatics and no clear separating fascial plane
2. Determination of myometrial invasion radiologically or clinically can be difficult

Recurrence rates after radical trachelectomy have been substantially higher (up to 10%) for patients with tumor sizes greater than 2 cm (more comparable to a radiotherapy patient cohort) or with the presence of lymph-vascular invasion



□ Parametrium

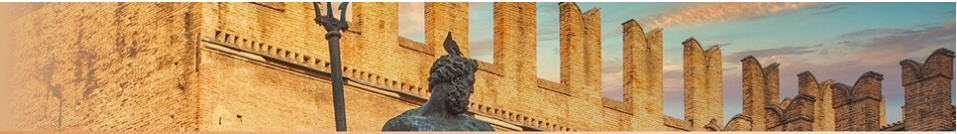
RTOG consensus guidelines, 2011	JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entire parametrium • Including ovaries • <u>Include entire mesorectum if uterosacral ligament involved</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adipose tissues between the cervix and pelvic wall • Visible linear structures that run laterally (e.g. vessels, nerves and fibrous structures).



JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011

□ Ovary

JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ovaries visible on CT/MRI • <u>No consensus on excluding ovaries on Stage I non bulky or II with SCC</u>

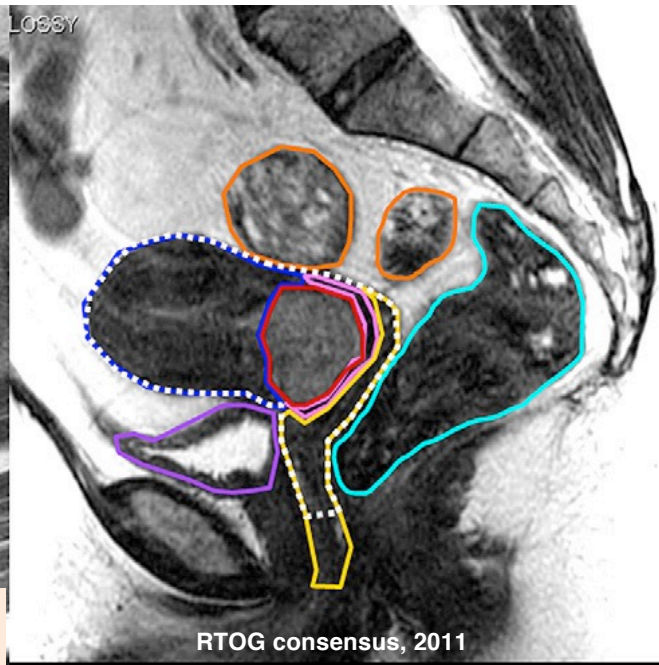
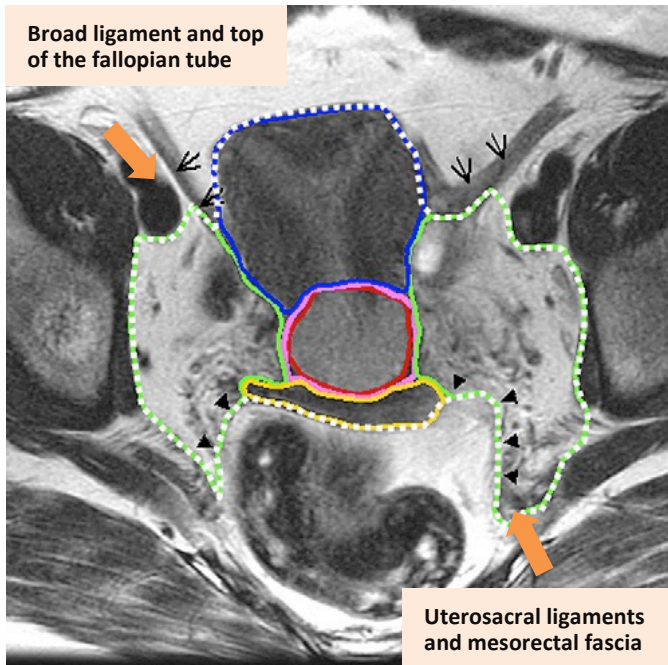


Anatomical boundaries of CTV for parametrium

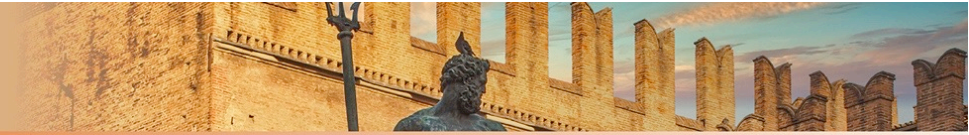
	RTOG, 2011	JCOG, 2011
Cranial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Top of the fallopian tube/broad ligament</u>. ..contours should stop once loops of bowel are seen next to the uterus as this is clearly above the broad ligament • Depending on degree of uterus flexion, this may also form the anterior boundary of parametrial tissue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isthmus of uterus (=level <u>where uterine artery drains into</u>) *Contouring would stop <u>at the level where bowel loops are seen</u>
Caudal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Urogenital diaphragm: inferior surface of the pelvic diaphragm</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Medial boarder of levator ani (superiore surface of the pelvic diaphragm)</u>
Anterior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posterior boarder of bladder or posterior boarder of external iliac vessels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posterior boarder of bladder or posterior boarder of external iliac vessels
Posterior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Mesorectal fascia and Uterosacral ligaments</u> <u>In Stage >IIIB or in extensive nodal involment: entire mesorectal space</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anterior part (semicircular) of mesorectal fascia *In case with bulky central tumor or significant parametrial invasion, <u>some modification would be considered</u>
Lateral	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medial edge of internal obturator muscle/ ischial ramus bilaterally • Pelvic side wall (excluding bone and muscles) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medial edge of internal obturator muscle, piriformis muscle, coccygeus muscle and ischial ramus
Medial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GTV, cervix, uterus, vagina 	—



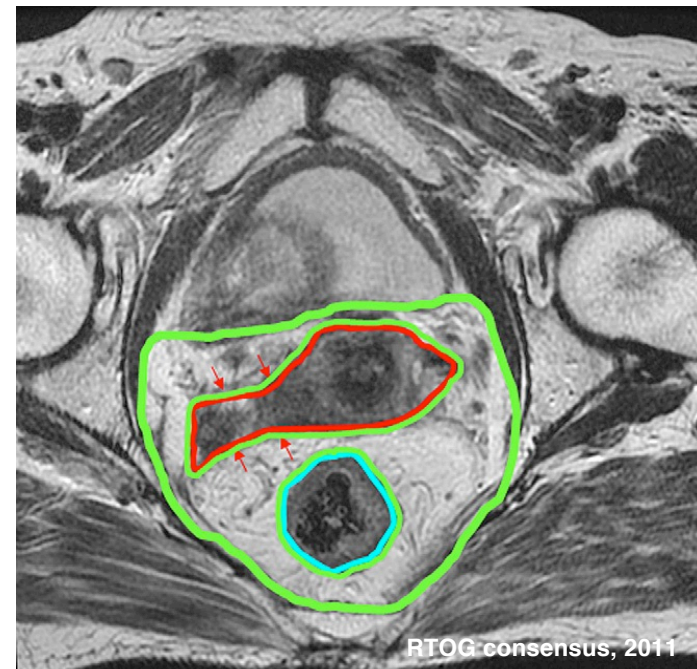
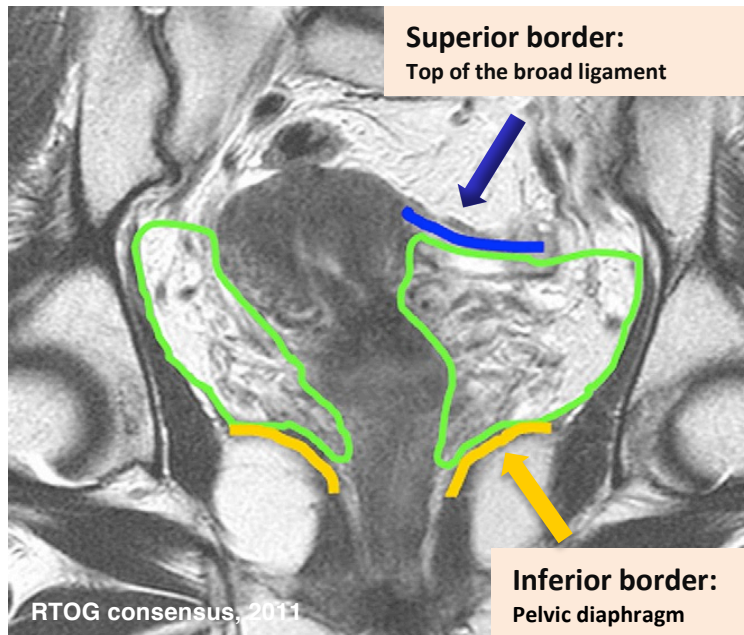
□ Parametrium



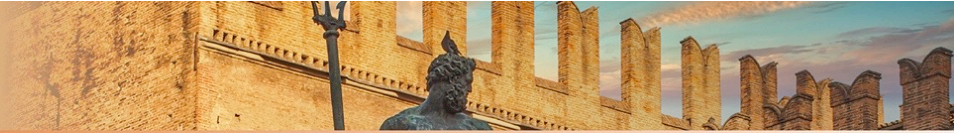
- GTV**
- Cervix**
- Uterus**
- Vagina**
- Parametrium**
- Bladder**
- Rectum**
- Sigmoid**
- CTV**



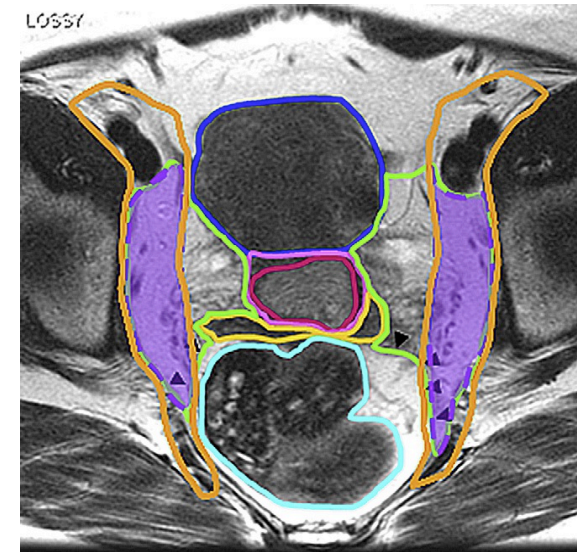
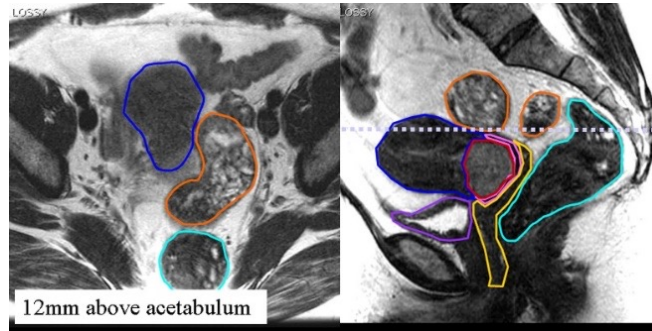
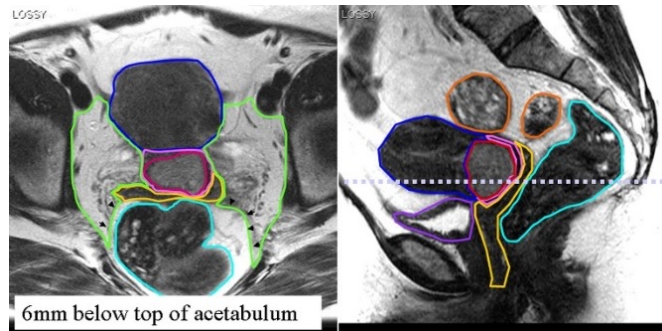
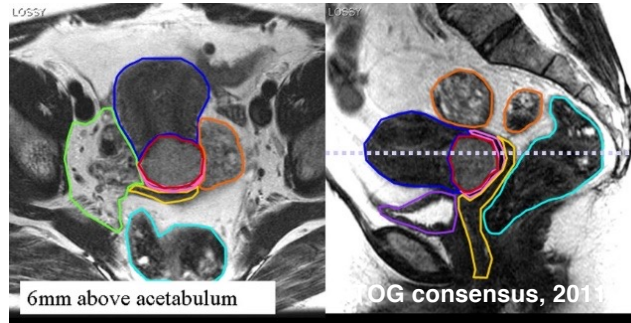
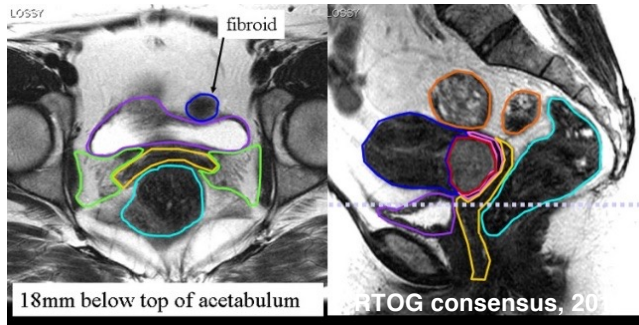
□ Parametrium



Modified parametrium (green)
Red arrows indicate right proximal uterosacral ligament invasion



□ Parametrium



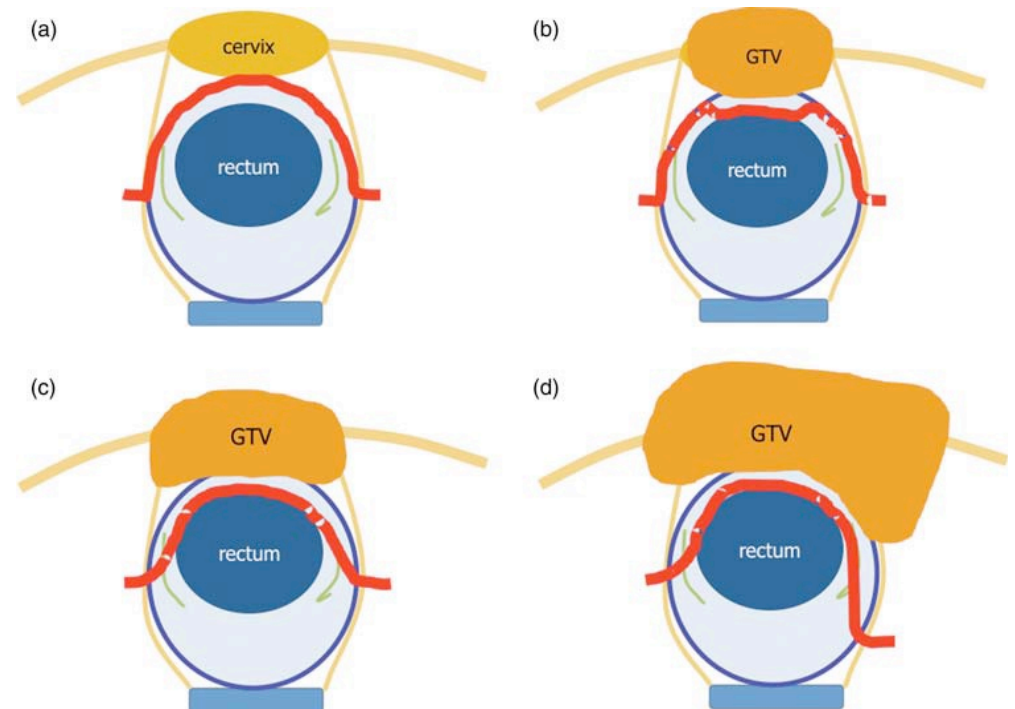
Overlap between nodal CTV (orange contour) and lateral portion of parametrial volume (green contour)



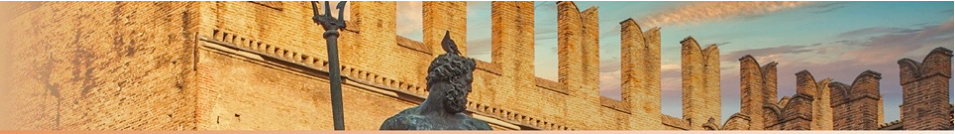
□ Parametrium

Stage specific delineation
for the **posterior border of the
parametrium**:

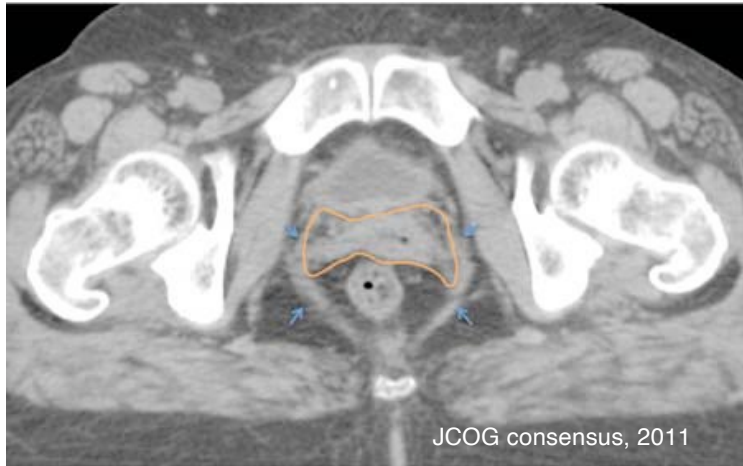
- a) Non-bulky early-stage (IB1 or IIA1)
- b) Bulky early-stage (IB2 or IIA2)
- c) Stage IIB (slight parametrial involvement)
- d) Stage IIB (massive parametrial involvement).



JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011

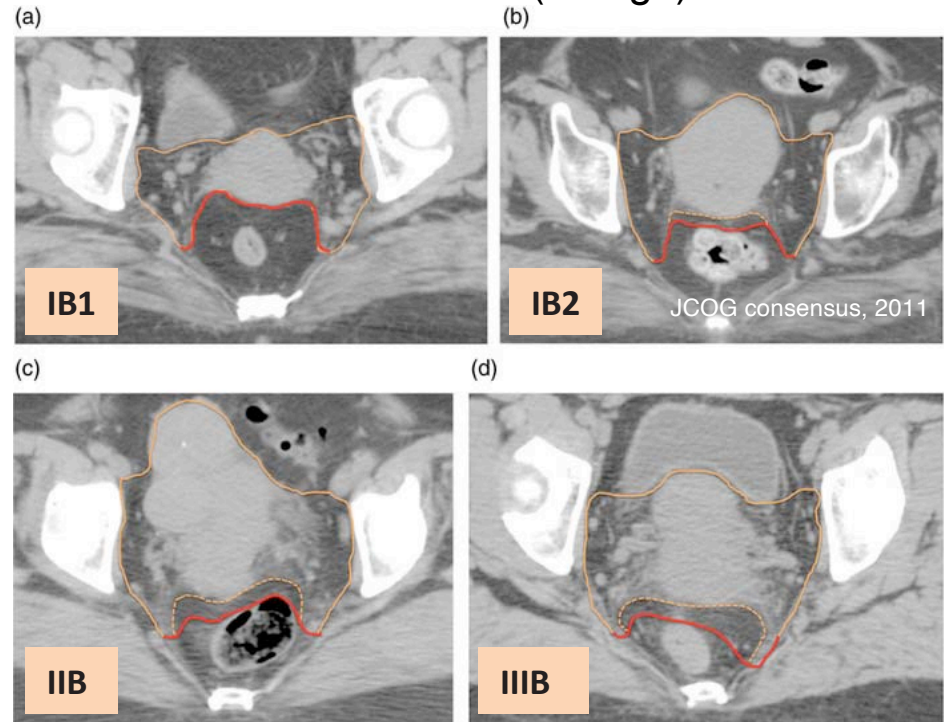


□ Parametrium



Caudal border

Anterior border (orange)



Posterior border (red line) according to T Stage

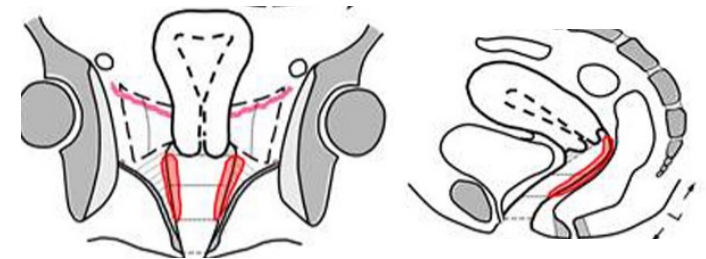
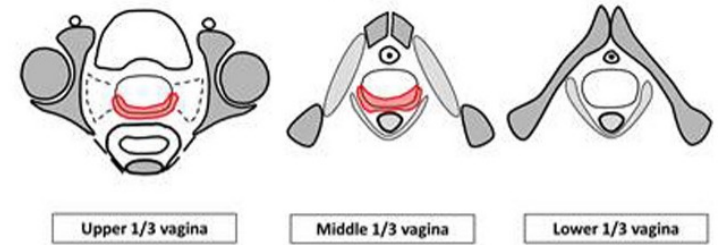
C and d: CTV margin increased into the perirectum and uterosacral ligaments



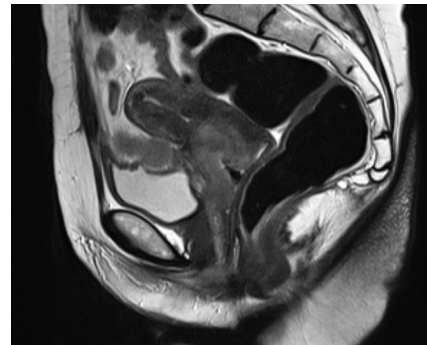
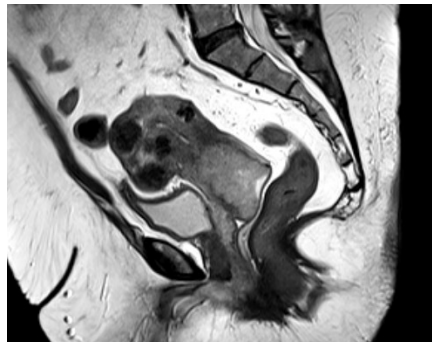
□ Vagina

RTOG/JCOG

- Vaginal wall and paravaginal tissue
- **Caudal level according to clinical examination and findings on MRI**
 1. Minimal or no vaginal extension: **upper half of the vagina**
 2. Upper vaginal involvement: **upper two-thirds of the vagina**
 3. Extensive vaginal involvement: **entire vagina**
- Consider an ITV for vaginal CTV



modified from GEC-ESTRO

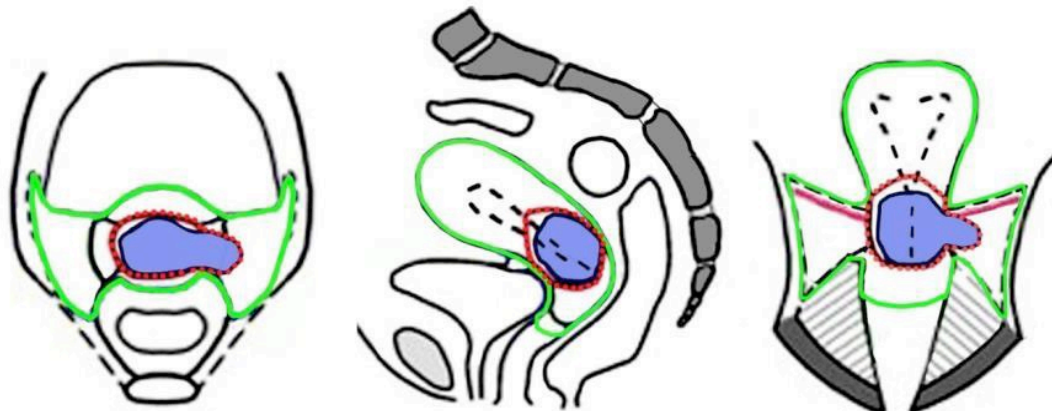


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EMBRACE II: specific nomenclature of volumes of interest

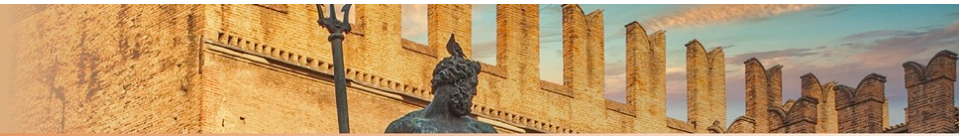
GTV-T _{init}	Initial Gross Tumour Volume of the primary Tumour
CTV-T HR _{init}	Initial High Risk Clinical Target Volume of the primary Tumour
CTV-T LR _{init}	Initial Low Risk Clinical Target Volume of the primary Tumour
ITV-T LR _{init}	Initial Internal Target Volume of the primary Tumour



CTV-T HR init: GTV T + cervix

CTV-T LR init:

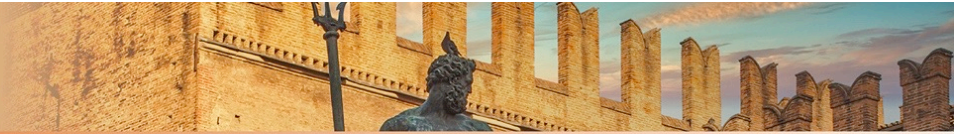
- CTV-T HR with 5mm margin anterior and posterior towards bladder and rectum (excluding non involved walls)
- Parametria and any pathological lymph nodes in the parametrium
- Uterus
- Uninvolved vagina with a 20 mm margin measured from the most inferior position of the initial HR CTV-T, along the vaginal axis (not starting in the fornix)
- In case of involvement of the pelvic wall, sacro-uterine ligaments, mesorectum or other involved structures a 20 mm margin around the initial HR CTV-T will be extended into these structures.



CTV nodal

- COMMON, INTERNAL, AND EXTERNAL ILIAC LYMPH NODES**
- OBTURATOR AND PRESACRAL LYMPH NODES**
- Inclusion of **PARA-AORTIC LYMPH NODES** will depend on the extent of disease and results of staging investigations
- Inclusion of **LYMPH INGUINAL NODES** in case of positive inguinal lymph node or involvement of the lower third of the vagina.

Bone and muscles are excluded from CTV, bowel is not routinely excluded (JCOG).



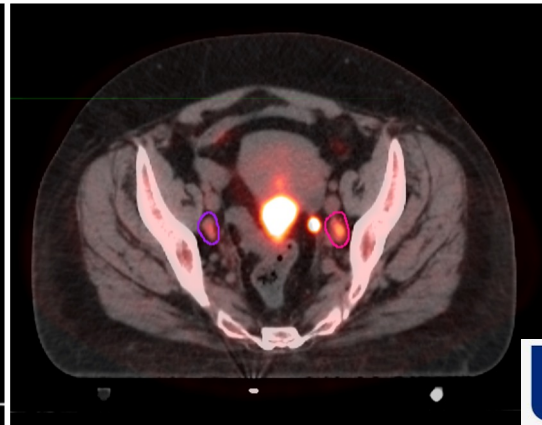
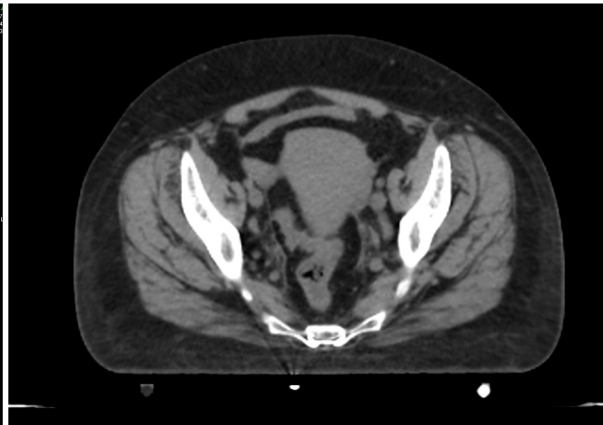
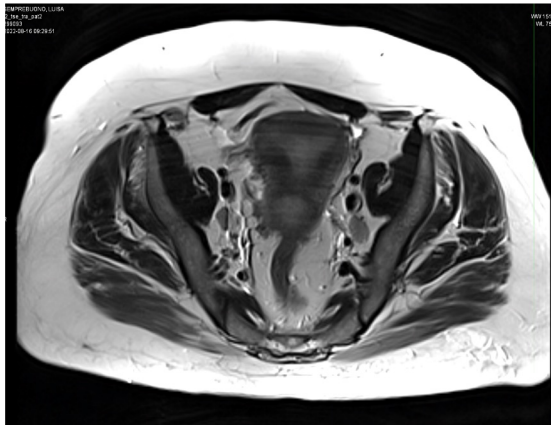
□ GTVn (1,2,3...)

RTOG consensus guidelines, 2011
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Not detailed

- The outer-contour of the pathological node and visible (macroscopic) extra capsular extension on MRI or CT
- PET-CT should primarily be used for overall guidance and not for precise delineation of the pathological nodes
- Each GTV-N should be numbered individually





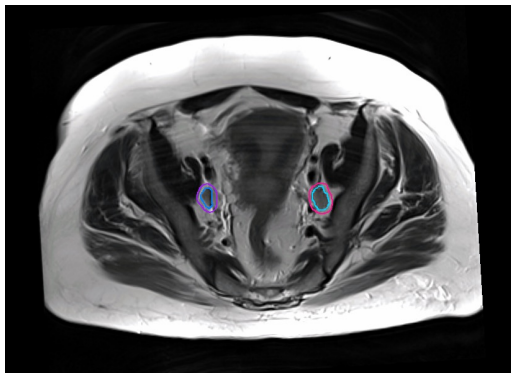
□ CTVn (1,2,3...)

RTOG consensus guidelines, 2011
 JCOG consensus guidelines, 2011
 K. Gnep, R. Mazon, 2013

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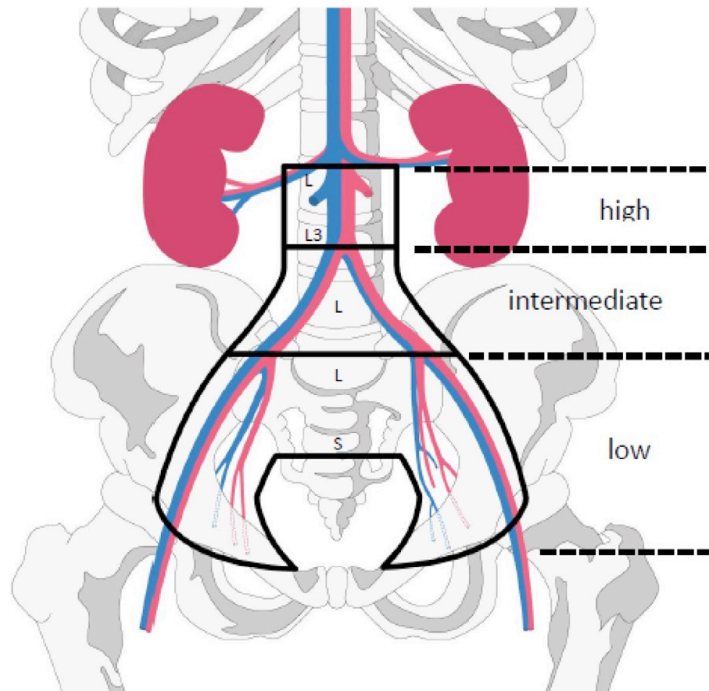
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- In principle CTV-N is equal to GTV-N.
- An individualized margin may be considered for each pathologic lymph node taking into account extra-capsular extension and possible progression during treatment planning interval, avoiding bones and muscles.
- The total CTV-N should encompass the maximum extension as visualized on both CT and MRI.
- Typically, the GTV-N to CTV-N margin amounts to 0-3 mm.





CTV nodal = CTV-E (EMBRACE II)



Lymph node risk group	Criteria
Low risk "Small pelvis"	Tumour size $\leq 4\text{cm}$ AND stage IA/IB1/IIA1 AND squamous cell carcinoma AND no uterine invasion
Intermediate risk "Large pelvis"	Not low risk No high risk features
High risk "Large pelvis + para-aortic region"	≥ 1 pathologic lymph node at common iliac or above OR ≥ 3 pathologic lymph nodes

Fig. 1. Risk-adaptive elective lymph node CTV (CTV-E) in the EMBRACE-II protocol.

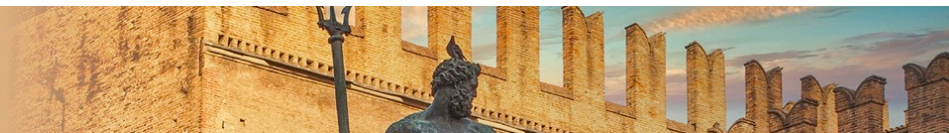
The CTV-E (contour in blue) encompasses all individual CTV-N and the bilateral lymph node regions for elective nodal irradiation.

Risk patients	Lymphatic nodal region to contour
Low risk	Internal iliac, external iliac, obturator and presacral regions
Intermediate risk	common iliac, internal iliac, external iliac, obturator, and presacral regions, (groins in case of distal vaginal infiltration)
High risk	para-aortic, common iliac, internal iliac, external iliac, obturator, and presacral regions, (groins in case of distal vaginal infiltration)



COMMON ILIAC NODAL CTV

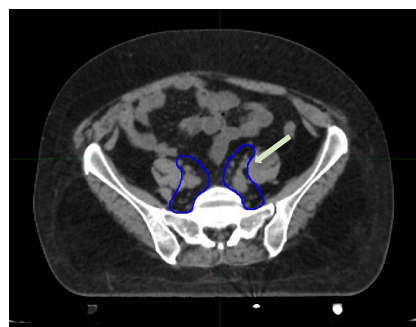
Taylor et al. 2005	JCOG, 2011	NRG/RTOG, 2020	EMBRACE II, 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>7mm margin</u> around vessels • Extend posterior and lateral borders to psoas and vertebral body 	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <p>Cranial: <u>Aortic Bifurcation or L4-5 interspace</u></p> <p>Caudal: <u>Common iliac at bifurcation</u></p> <p>Anterior: 7mm anterior to a/v (artery and vein)</p> <p>Posterior: L5-sacrum (adequately involve adipose connective tissue between lateral surface of vertebral body and psoas m.)</p> <p>Lateral margin: 7 mm lateral to a/v (expanding to psoas major m.)</p> <p>Medial: -</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>7-mm uniform margin</u> surrounding the right and left common iliac a/v excluding bone and muscle (from aortic bifurcation to common iliac a. bifurcation) • CTV margin should <u>increase to 1 cm at the midpoint of the common iliac chain</u> anterior to the vessels while abutting the iliopsoas laterally 	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <p>Cranial: One slides <u>below</u> Aortic Bifurcation</p> <p>Caudal: One slides <u>below</u> Common iliac a. bifurcation</p> <p>Anterior: 7mm around vessels excluding bowel loops</p> <p>Posterior: Vento-lateral contours of vertebral bodies until connection with psoas/iliopsoas muscles excluding nerves</p> <p>Lateral margin: along outer contour of psoas muscle, up to 7 mm around vessels excluding muscle</p> <p>Medial: 7 mm margin around vessels excluding bowel loops</p>



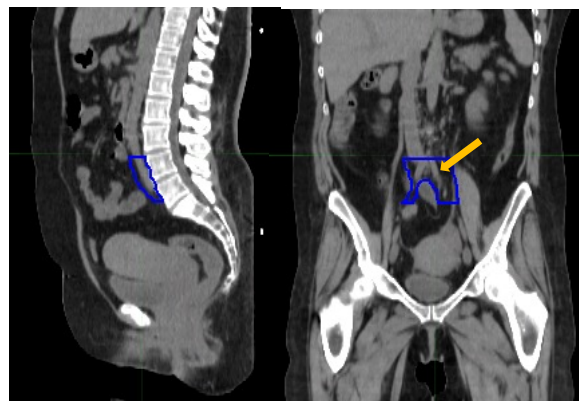
COMMON ILIAC NODAL CTV



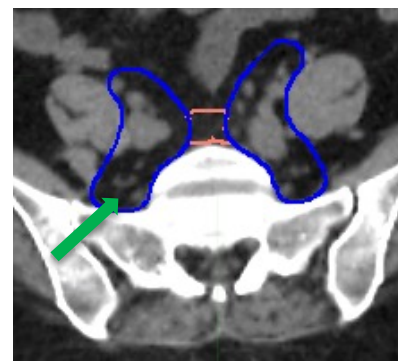
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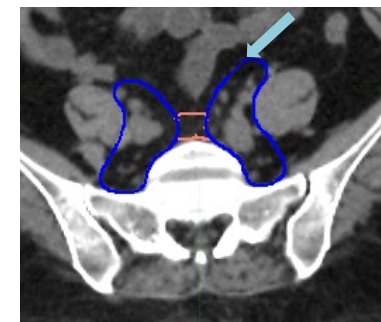
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NOTE: aortic bifurcation is not at L4-L5 interspace in this patient



CI posterior border:
 L5-sacrum (adequately involve adipose connective tissue between lateral surface of vertebral body and psoas m.)



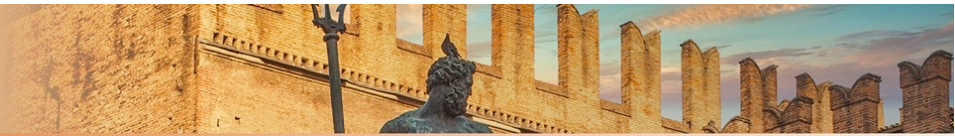
CI anterior/ lateral border: 7mm anterior / lateral to a/v

CI CTV at the midpoint:
 1 cm anterolateral to the common iliac artery

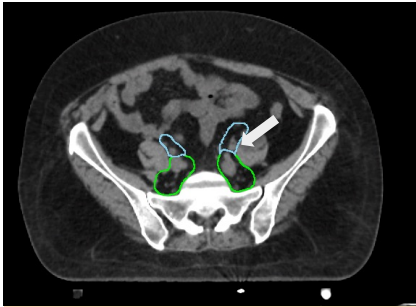


EXTERNAL ILIAC NODAL CTV

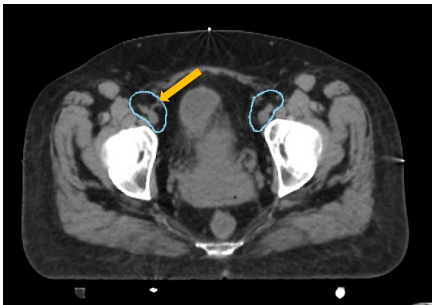
Taylor et al. 2005	JCOG, 2011	NRG/RTOG, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>7 mm margin</u> around vessels • Extend anterior border by <u>a further 10 mm anterolaterally</u> along the iliopsoas muscle to include the lateral external iliac nodes 	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <p>Cranial: <u>Common iliac a. bifurcation</u></p> <p>Caudal: <u>Superior aspect of femoral head</u></p> <p>Anterior: 7 mm anterior to a/v</p> <p>Posterior: 7mm posterior to a/v (connecting to obturator region)</p> <p>Lateral margin: 7 mm lateral to a/v (expanding to psoas major m. or iliacus m.)</p> <p>Medial: 7 mm medial to a/v uterus, ovary, bowel, ureter or bladder</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-mm uniform margin placed around the vessels not extending into bone or muscle and <u>up to 10 mm anteriorly</u> • Cranial: common iliac vessels bifurcation • Caudal: The inferior aspect is where the <u>deep circumflex artery branches</u> originates and where the external iliac vessels course laterally as they leave the pelvis to become the inguinofemoral vessels



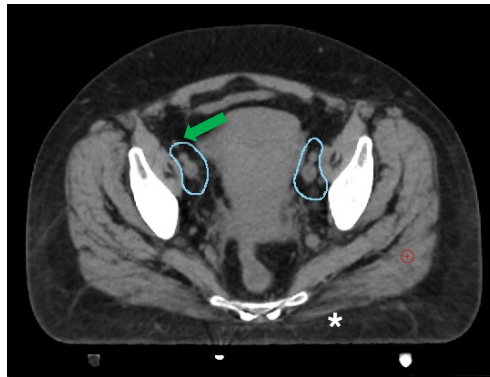
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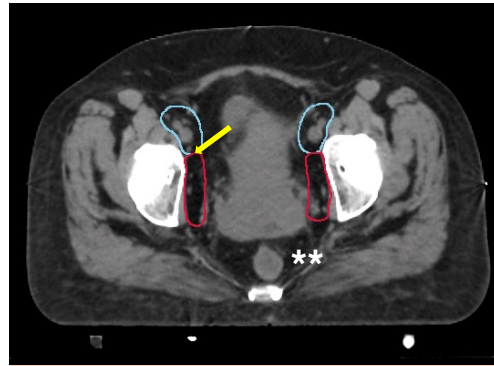
El superior border:
 at the level of common iliac a. bifurcation



El inferior border:
 where the deep circumflex artery branches originates and where the external iliac vessels course laterally as they leave the pelvis to become the inguinofemoral vessels (Superior aspect of femoral head)



El anterior border: 7-10mm to a/v up to 10 mm anteriorly

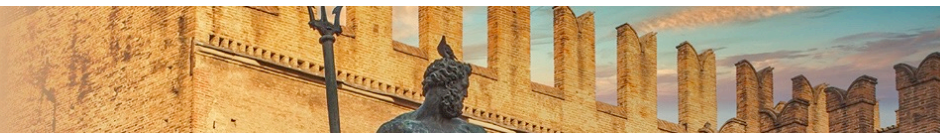


El posterior border: 7mm posterior to a/v (connecting to obturator region)



El lateral border: 7mm lateral to a/v (expanding to psoas major m or iliacus m.)

El medial border: 7 mm medial to a/v uterus, ovary, bowel, ureter or bladder

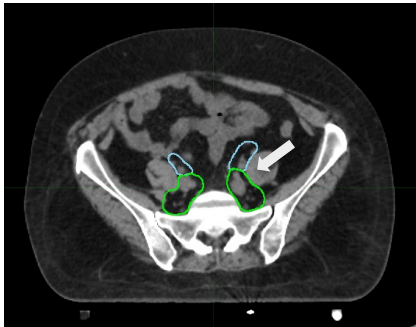


INTERNAL ILIAC NODAL CTV

Tailor et al. 2005	JCOG, 2011	NRG/RTOG, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>7 mm margin</u> around vessels • Extend lateral borders to pelvic side wall 	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <p>Cranial: <u>Common iliac a. Bifurcation</u></p> <p>Caudal: <u>Cranial section of coccygeus m., spine of ischium or uterine a/v</u> (connecting to parametrial region)</p> <p>Anterior: 7mm anterior to a/v</p> <p>Posterior:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cranial level: wing of sacrum -Middle-caudal level: anterior edge of piriformis m. or inferior gluteal a/v <p>Lateral margin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cranial level: psoas m., iliacs m. or lateral edge of sacroiliac joint -Middle level: Iliac bone, psoas m. or medial edge of Iliacus m. -Caudal level: obturator internus m. or piriformis m. <p>Medial: 7 mm medial to a/v bowel, uterus or ovary</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-mm radial margin placed around the vessels not extending into bone or muscle • Cranial: common iliac vessels bifurcation



INTERNAL ILIAC NODAL CTV



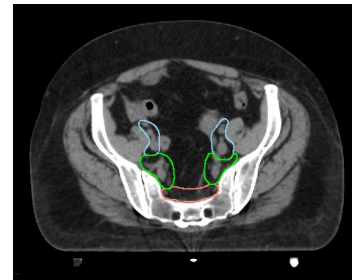
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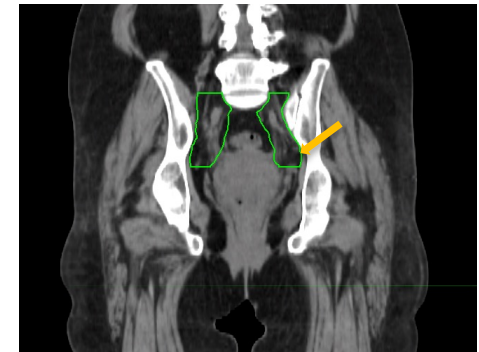
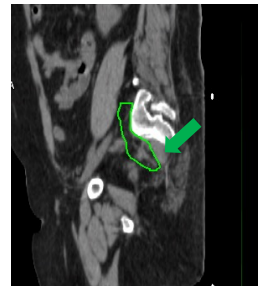
Il inferior border:
 Cranial section of coccygeus m, spine of ischium or
 uterine a/v (connecting to parametrial region)



Il anterior border: connecting to external iliac
 and obturator nodes

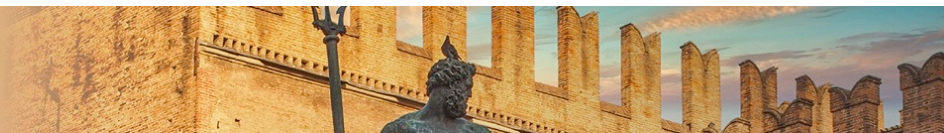


Il posterior border: Cranial level:
 wing of sacrum/Middle-caudal level:
 anterior edge of piriformis m. or
 inferior gluteal a/v



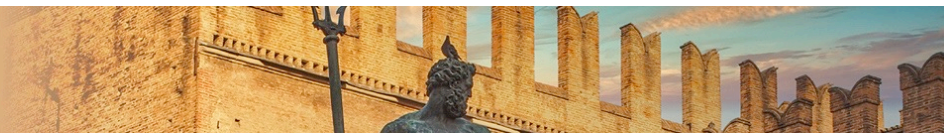
CI lateral border: 7mm lateral to a/v (expanding to
 psoas major m. or iliacus m.)

CI medial border: 7 mm medial to a/v, uterus,
 ovary, bowel, ureter or bladder

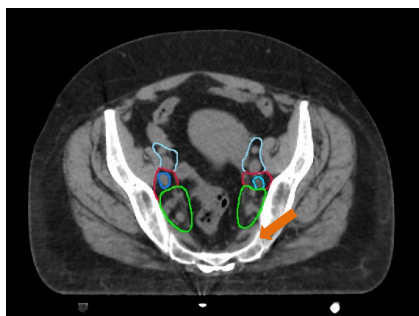


OBTURATOR NODAL CTV

Tailor et al. 2005	JCOG, 2011	NRG/RTOG, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join external and internal iliac regions with a <u>17 mm</u> wide strip along the pelvic side wall 	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <p>Cranial: <u>Caudal section of sacroiliac joint</u> (connecting to internal iliac region)</p> <p>Caudal: Superior part of <u>obturator foramen</u></p> <p>Anterior: Cranial-middle level: connecting to external iliac region</p> <p>Posterior: Cranial-middle level: connecting to internal iliac region</p> <p>Lateral margin: Obturator internus m, iliacus m, psoas m or iliac bone</p> <p>Medial: Bladder, uterus or bowel</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The space about <u>15 to 18 mm</u> in diameter between the external and internal iliac nodal CTV contours Cranial: <u>bifurcation of the internal and external iliac vessels</u>, not extending into bone, muscle, or bladder Caudal: where the obturator vessels leave the pelvis through the <u>obturator foramen</u>, which lies lateral to the obturator internus muscle An obturator nodal ITV should be considered



OBTURATOR NODAL CTV



Obt superior border:
 Caudal section of sacroiliac joint
 (connecting to internal iliac region)



Obt inferior border:
 Superior part of obturator foramen



Obt anterior border:
 Cranial-middle level: connecting to external iliac region

Obt posterior border:
 cranial-middle level: connecting to internal iliac region



Obt lateral border:
 Obturator internus m, iliacus m, psoas m or iliac bone

Obt medial border:
 Bladder, uterus or bowel



EXTERNAL/INTERNAL ILIAC AND OBTURATORE NODAL CTV

EMBRACE II, 2016

ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:

Cranial: One slice below bifurcation of common iliac artery

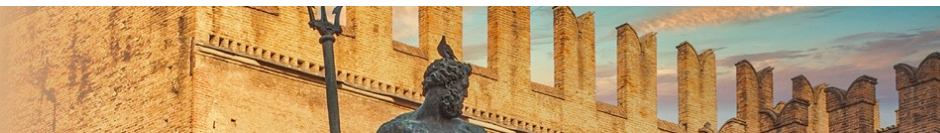
Caudal: at the upper part of the obturator foramen, below the femoral head, where internal iliac vessels leave or enter the true pelvis

Anterior: 7-17 mm ventral to external iliac vessels not extending into the abdominal wall

Posterior: ventro-medial fascia of Piriformis muscle/sacrospinous ligament

Lateral margin: ventro-medial fascia of iliopsoas muscle, bony pelvic sidewall and obturator internus muscle

Medial: 7 mm around vessels excluding bowel loops, bladder wall, lateral border of parametrium and mesorectal fascia

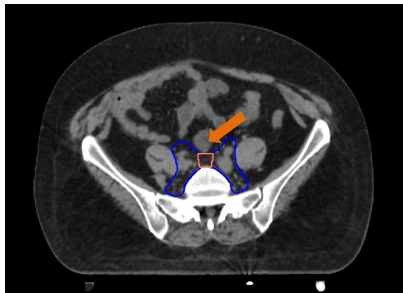


PRESACRAL NODAL CTV

Taylor et al. 2005	JCOG, 2011	NRG/RTOG, 2020	EMBRACE II, 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subaortic: <u>10 mm</u> strip over anterior sacrum 	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <p>Cranial: <u>Common iliac a. bifurcation</u></p> <p>Caudal: <u>Lower level of S2 or cranial section of piriformis m.</u></p> <p>Anterior: 10 mm anterior to sacrum</p> <p>Posterior: L5—sacrum</p> <p>Lateral margin: Piriformis m. (connecting to external or internal iliac region)</p> <p>Medial: _</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The presacral nodes reside anterior to S1/S2 vertebral bodies • Superiorly, they begin between the diverging common iliac vessels • The contour should be <u>1-1.5cm</u> wide • The inferior extent of the presacral nodal CTV is the first CT image in which the piriformis muscle becomes apparent. <p>If bowel is present in this region, the <u>CTV might extend a few millimeters into the bowel loops</u> that might intermittently move into the presacral nodal CTV space.</p>	<p>Cranial: upper border S1</p> <p>Caudal: lower border S2</p> <p>Anterior: 1 cm in front of S1/2</p> <p>Posterior: ventral border S1/2</p> <p>Lateral margin: medial borders of pelvic node compartments</p> <p>Medial: _</p>



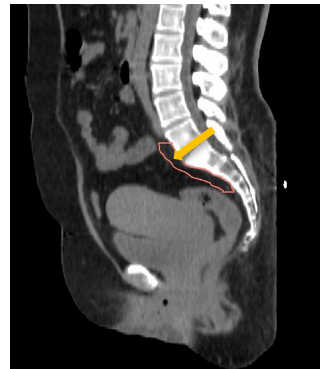
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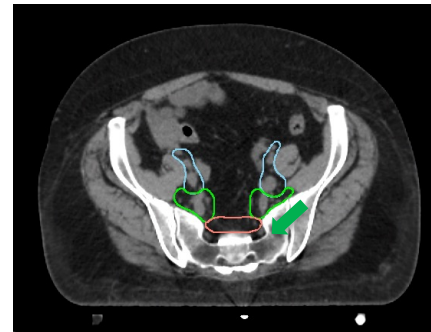
PS superior border:
 Common iliac a. bifurcation



PS inferior border:
 Lower level of S2 or cranial section of piriformis m.



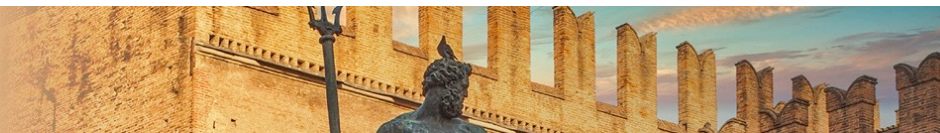
PS anterior border:
 10-15 mm anterior to sacrum (S1-S2). it may encompass adjacent bowel if present, to account for motion of the bowel



PS posterior border:
 L5—sacrum



PS lateral border:
 Obturator internus m, iliacus m., psoas m. or iliac bone



INGUINAL NODAL CTV

Taylor et al, 2005/ JCOG, 2011/
 NRG/RTOG, 2020

EMBRACE II, 2016

Not reported

The inguinal/femoral region should be contoured as a compartment with any identified nodes included (especially in the lateral inguinal region)

ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:

Cranial: Midfemoral head, external iliac vessels leave bony pelvis as femoral vessels

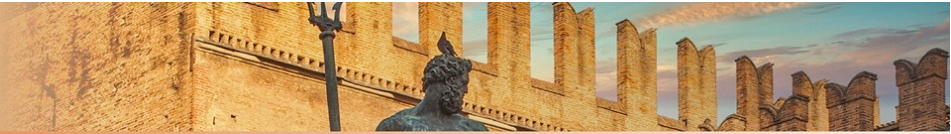
Caudal: Lower edge trochanter minor, about 2 cm below junction vena femoralis / vena saphena magna

Anterior: 7-10 mm margin around vessels

Posterior: ventral fascia of pectineus muscle

Lateral margin: medial fascias of ileopsoas /sartorius muscles

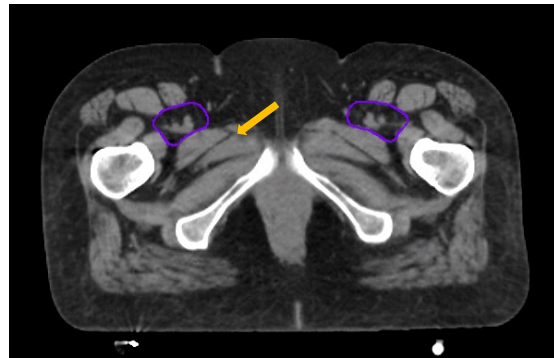
Medial: 7 mm margin around vessels excluding: peritoneal fascia, lateral fascia of rectus abdominis muscle, lateroventral fascias pectineus/adductor longus/brevis muscles



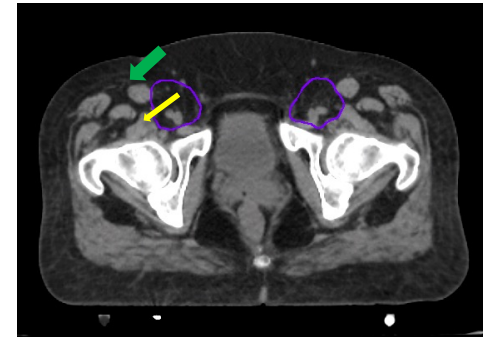
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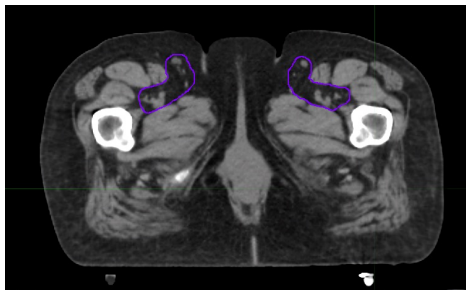
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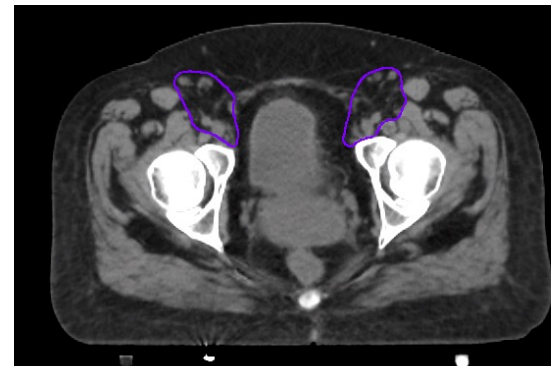
ING anterior border: 7-10 mm margin around vessels
ING posterior border: ventral fascia of pectineus muscle



ING lateral border:
 medial fascias of ileopsoas /sartorius muscles



ING inferior border: Lower edge trochanter minor,
 about 2 cm below junction vena femoralis/ vena saphena



ING medial border: 7 mm margin around vessels excluding:
 peritoneal fascia, lateral fascia of rectus abdominis muscle,
 lateroventral fascias pectineus/adductor longus/brevis muscles



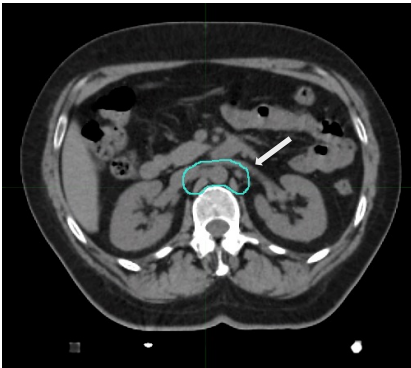


PARAORTIC NODAL CTV

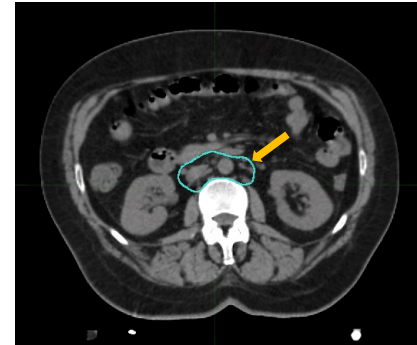
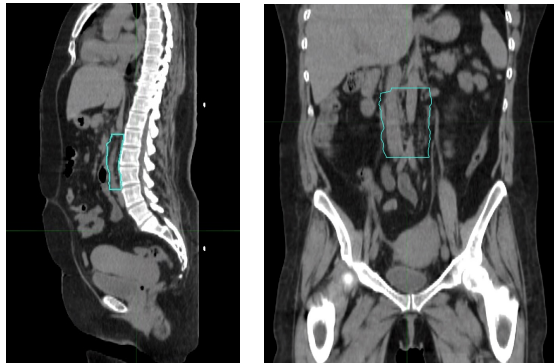
Tailor et al, 2005	JCOG, 2011	NRG/RTOG, 2020	EMBRACE II
Not reported	Not reported	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The para-aortic nodal CTV encompasses the aorta, the inferior vena cava (IVC) and adjacent nodal regions (paracaval, precaval, retrocaval, deep and superficial intercavo-aortic, para-aortic, preaortic, and retroaortic nodes) Superior border: at the level of the <u>left renal vein</u> (consider to raise the superior border if paraaortic nodes are positive) Inferior border: at the level of the <u>aortic bifurcation</u> where common iliac nodes become. <p>The PA nodal CTV is not a uniform expansion off the vasculature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Left lateral border: <u>1 to 2 cm lateral to the aorta</u>. From the aorta to the medial border of the left psoas muscle including any visible small nodes in this region Right lateral border: <u>3 to 5 mm around the IVC</u>. There is minimal evidence of nodal involvement to the right of the IVC and immediately anterior to the aorta and IVC where margins should be tighter <p><u>The space between the aorta and IVC should be straight</u> (rather than concave), even if there is bowel nearby as the intercavo-aortic nodes are located in this space.</p>	<p>ANATOMICAL BOUNDARIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anterior: 7 mm margin around vessels excluding bowel loops or other organs Posterior: ventrolateral contours of vertebral bodies until connection with psoas muscle Superior border: <u>Cranial border of L1</u> with a minimum of <u>3 cm superior to the upper border of the last positive lymph node(s)</u> Inferior border: <u>one slice below aortic bifurcation</u>



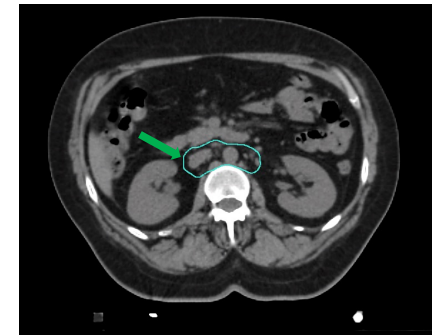
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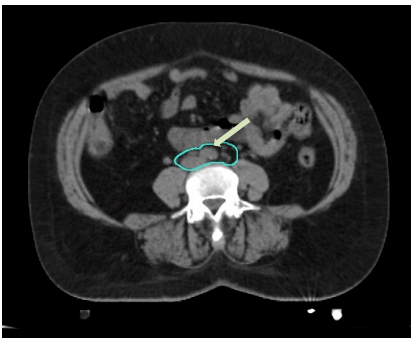
PA superior border:
at the level of the left renal vein



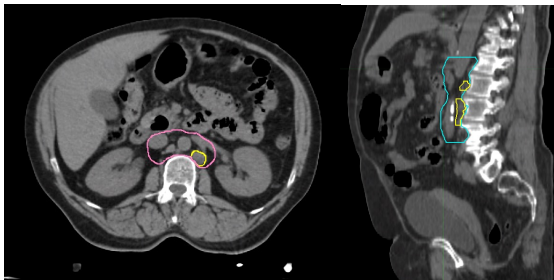
PA left lateral border:
1 to 2 cm lateral to the aorta (to the medial border of the psoas muscle) + any visible small nodes



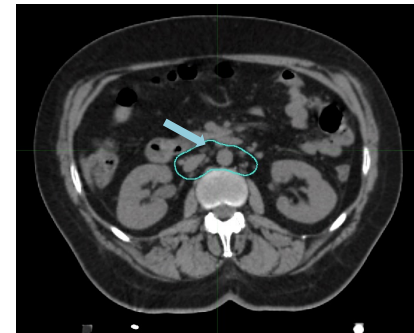
PA right lateral border:
3 to 5 mm around the IVC



PA inferior border:
at the level of the aortic bifurcation



If paraortic nodes are positive
raise the superior border



Space between the aorta and IVC
should be straight (rather than concave)





PTV

- Ranged from 0,6 to 4cm!
- Depending on methodology to assessing organ motion
- RTOG: 1,5-2 cm around the GTVp and 7mm around the CTV
- As suggested in EMBRACE II, **ITV for CTV-T LR** (especially in the anterior-posterior) should be considered

