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# Radiotherapy-induced lung cancer risk for breast cancer

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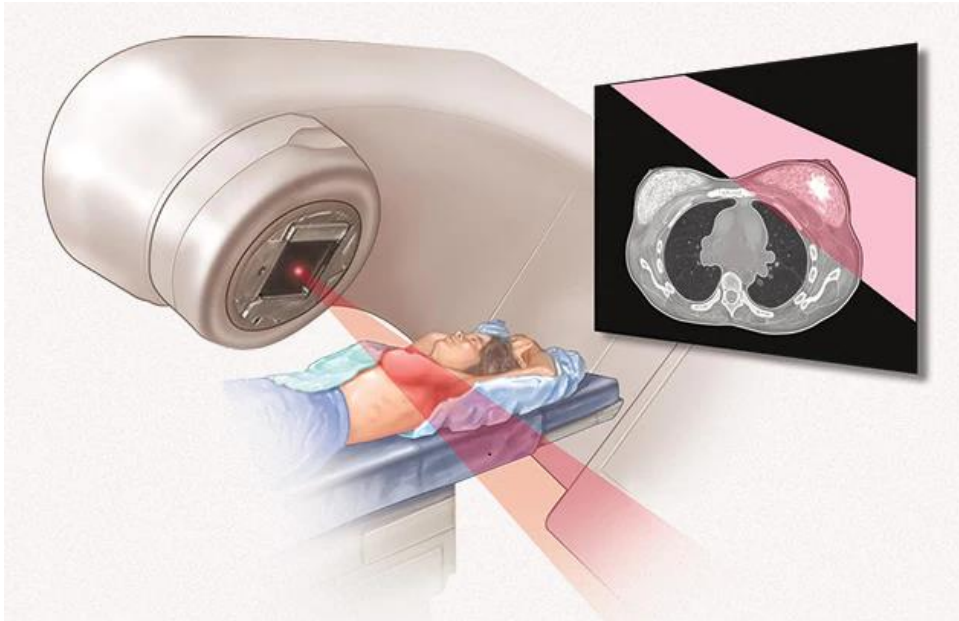
## Outline:

- Breast Cancer Treatment
- The Schneider Model
- Results
- Simplified Models



# Breast cancer treatment

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- Breast cancer is a common and prevalent neoplasm in women
- **29%** of female neoplasms
- about **50.000 diagnoses** per year (Italy)
- Conserving surgery followed by **external beam radiotherapy** is considered the "Gold Standard" for early stage of this malignant disease
- This adjuvant treatment may reduce the locoregional recurrence incidence about **20%** and breast cancer deaths about **5%** at 20 years



# Tangential Beam 3D-CRT

Standard-Fractionated (SF) therapy



50 Gy (2 Gy x 25)

Hypo-Fractionated (HF) therapy



42.56 Gy (2.66 Gy x 16)

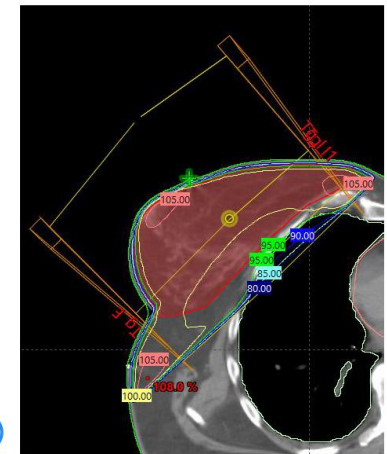
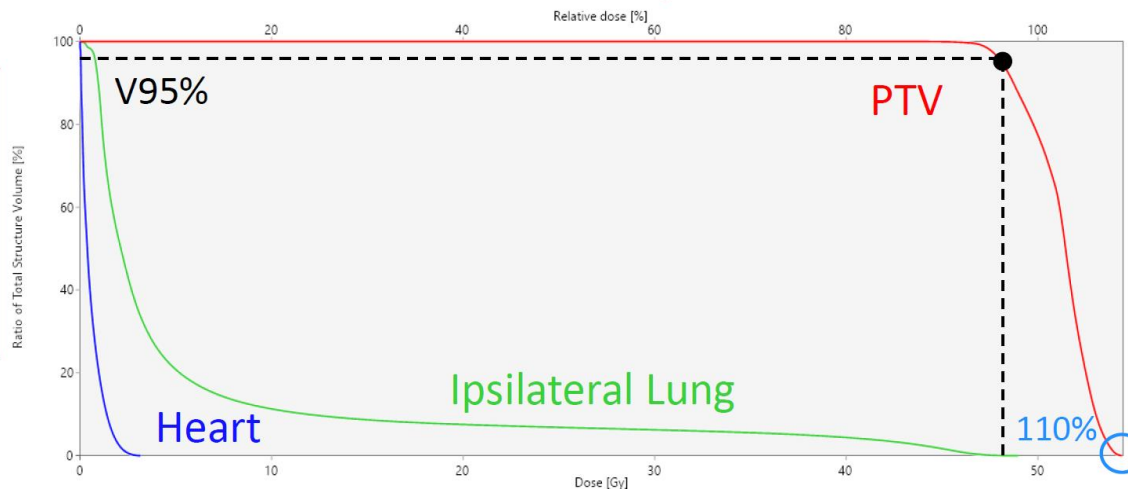
## Organ At Risk (OAR) Constraints:

OAR	HF	SF
Ipsilateral Lung	$D_{mean} < 7$ Gy $V_4 < 40-50\%$ $V_8 < 30-35\%$ $V_{16} < 15-20\%$ $V_{20} < 10\%$	$D_{mean} < 8$ Gy $V_5 < 40\%$ $V_{20} < 15\%$
Controlateral Lung	$D_{mean} < 2$ Gy	$D_{mean} < 3$ Gy
Controlateral Breast	$D_{mean} < 3$ Gy	$D_{mean} < 4$ Gy
Heart	$D_{mean} < 3.2-4$ Gy	$D_{mean} < 5$ Gy
LAD	$D_{mean} < 15$ Gy	$D_{mean} < 17$ Gy

LAD: Left Anterior Descending coronary artery

## Dose Volume Histogram (DVH)

**Goals:**  
V95% and 110% max dose within the Planning Treated Volume (PTV)



# The Schneider Model

$$RED(D) = \frac{e^{-\alpha'D}}{\alpha'R} \left( 1 - 2R + R^2 e^{\alpha'D} - (1-R)^2 e^{-\frac{\alpha'R}{1-R}D} \right)$$

**Risk Equivalent Dose (RED):** dose response relationship for radiation induced cancer in unit of dose

$$EAR(D, age_e, age_a) = \beta_0 RED(D) \mu(age_e, age_a)$$

**Excess Absolute Risk (EAR)**

**Kill parameter**

$$\alpha' = \alpha + \beta d_f$$

**Repopulation parameter**

$$0 < R < 1$$

**Modifying Function  $\mu$**  (Life Span Study A-Bomb)

$$\mu(age_e, age_a) = e^{[\gamma_e(age_e - 30) + \gamma_a \ln(\frac{age_a}{70})]}$$

Life Span Study A-Bomb

Site	$\beta_{EAR-Japan}$	$\beta_{EAR-UK}$	$\gamma_e$	$\gamma_a$
Breast	9.2(6.8;12)	8.2(6.1;11)	-0.037	1.7
Lung	7.5(5.1;10)	8.0(5.5;11)	0.002	4.23

Hodgkin's disease

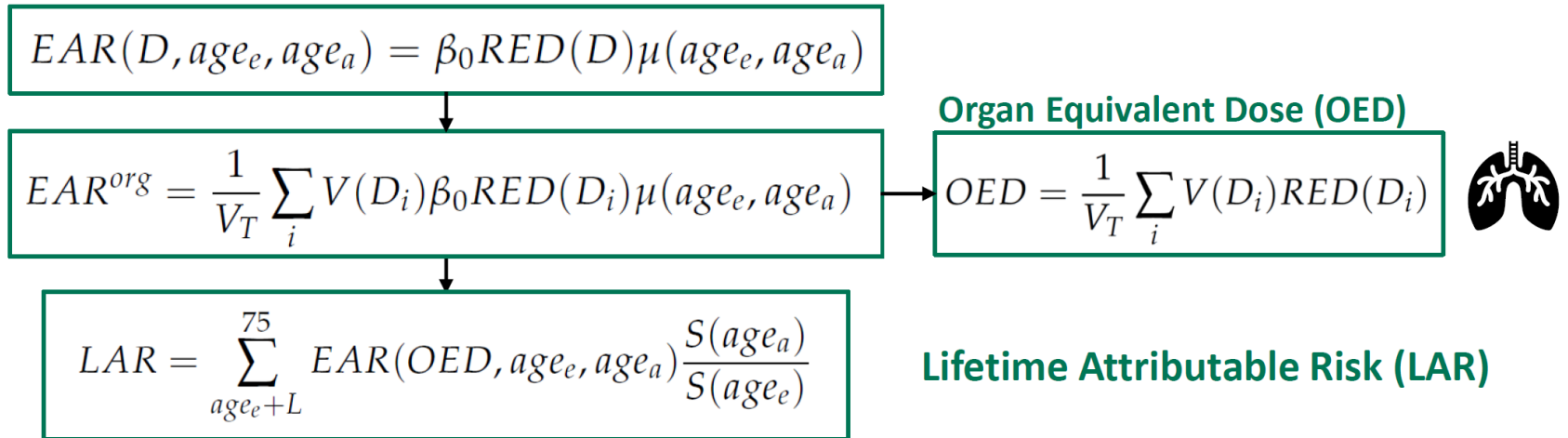
$$\chi^2 = \left( EAR^{org} - \beta_{EAR}^{UK} \frac{1}{V_T} RED(D_i; \alpha, R) \right)^2$$



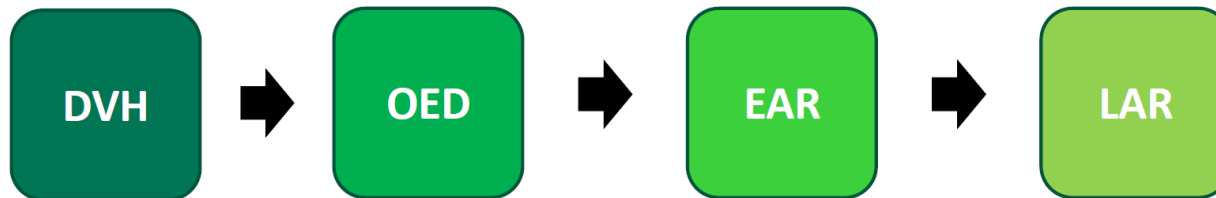
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Site	$\alpha (Gy^{-1})$	$\alpha / \beta (Gy)$	R
Breast	0.067	3	0.62
Lung	0.061	3	0.84

# The Schneider Model



- **L** is the free cancer risk time interval of 5 years
- $S(age_a)/S(age_e)$  is the probability of healthy female to survive from age  $e$  to age  $a$



# OED and regional statistics



**Lung** differential Dose Volume Histogram (**DVH**)

$$OED = \frac{1}{V_T} \sum_i V(D_i) RED(D_i)$$

$$LAR = \sum_{age_e+L}^{75} EAR(OED, age_e, age_a) \frac{S(age_a)}{S(age_e)}$$

OED = 2 Gy

D = 2 Gy  
(uniformly  
distributed)

Same radiation-induced cancer risk

**ISTAT (Sicilian women)**

$$\frac{S(age_a)}{S(age_e)}$$

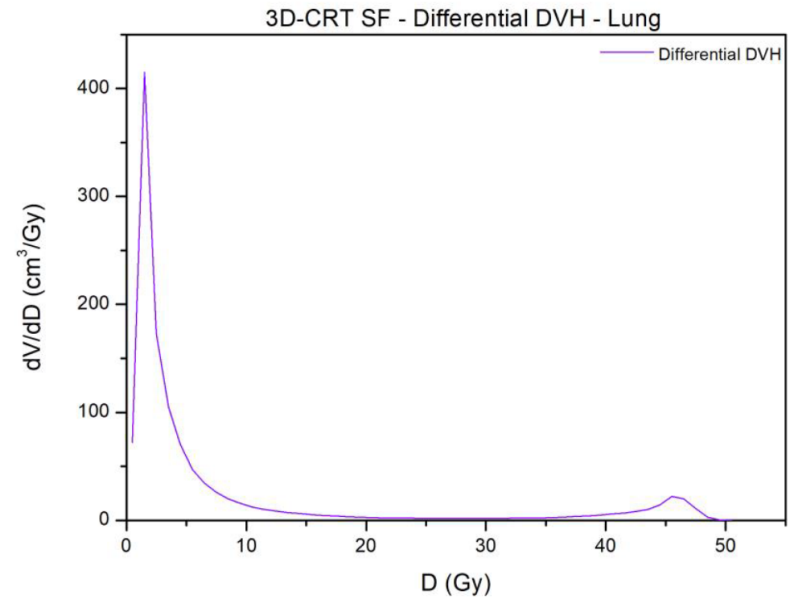
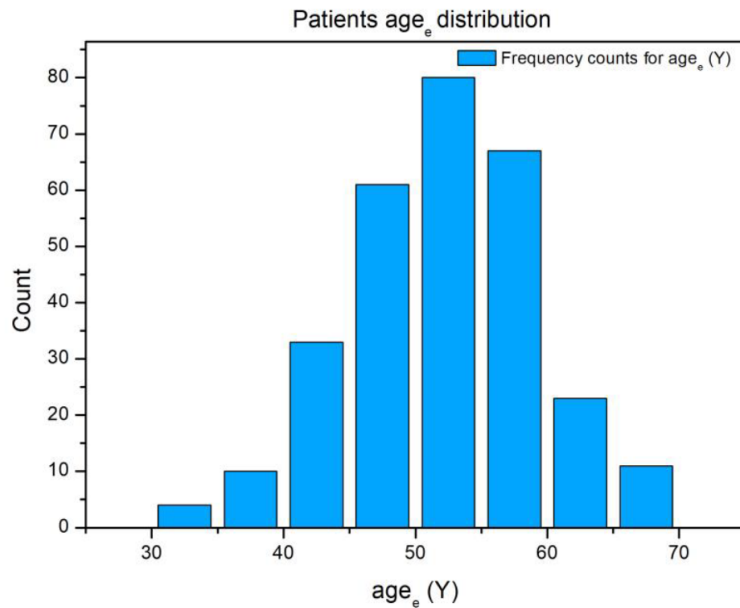
L = 5 years

**Humanitas-ICC:**

$age_e$ (Y)	$P_{5\text{ year}}$ (%)
$\leq 65$	98.60%
$> 65$	96.34%



# Statistical Sample



Treatment type	Number of treated women	age <sub>e</sub> ( $\sigma_{age_e}$ ) (Y)
3D-CRT (tot)	288	55 (7)
3D-CRT (SF and HF)	58	55 (10)

**288 + 58 DVHs**

**Standard-Fractionated (SF) therapy**



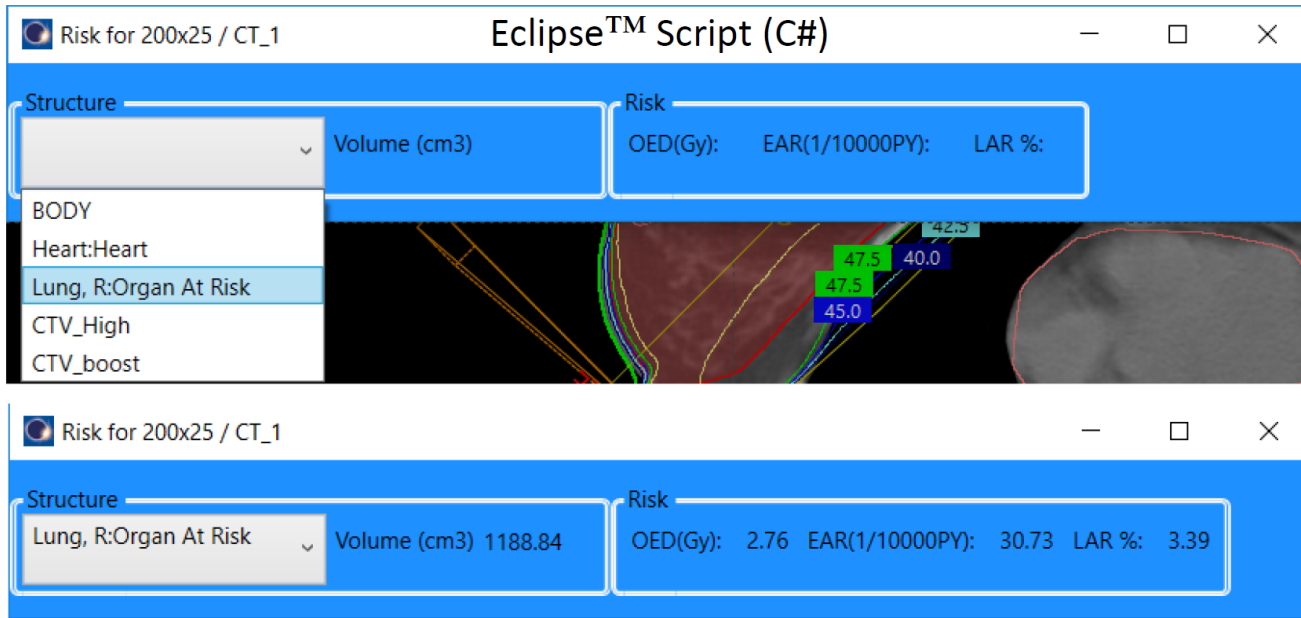
**50 Gy (2 Gy x 25)**

**Hypo-Fractionated (HF) therapy**



**42.56 Gy (2.66 Gy x 16)**

# Results



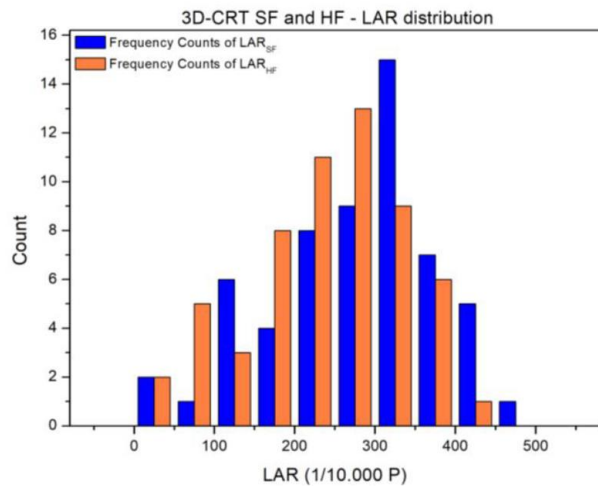
288 SF 3D-CRT treatments

$age_a$ (Y)	OED ( $\sigma_{OED}$ ) (Gy)	EAR ( $\sigma_{EAR}$ ) (1/10.000 PY)	LAR ( $\sigma_{LAR}$ ) (1/10.000 P)
75	2.8 (0.4)	31 (5)	306 (77)

Literature data

Article	EAR (10.000 PY)	LAR (10.000 P)	$age_a$ (Y)
Mazonakis et al.[1] SF	/	359-494	75
Mazonakis et al.[1] HF	/	316-437	75
Paganetti et al. [38]	46	275-654	70
Suzuki et al.[37]	/	275-379	75

# SF and HF comparison

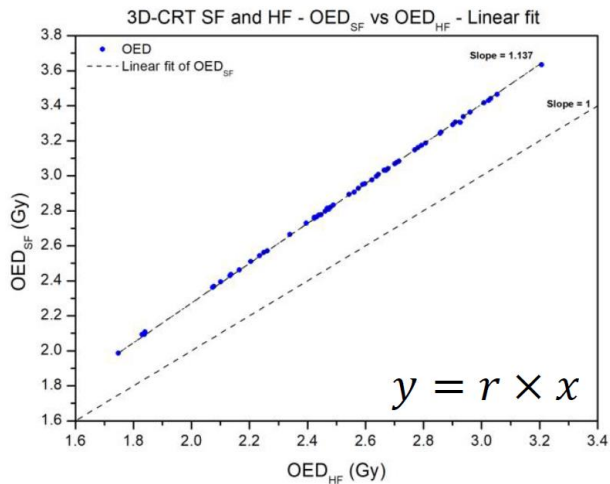


Treatment type	OED ( $\sigma_{OED}$ ) (Gy)	EAR ( $\sigma_{EAR}$ ) (1/10.000 PY)	LAR ( $\sigma_{LAR}$ ) (1/10.000 P)
3D-CRT SF	2.9 (0.4)	32 (4)	274 (104)
3D-CRT HF	2.5 (0.3)	28 (4)	241 (92)

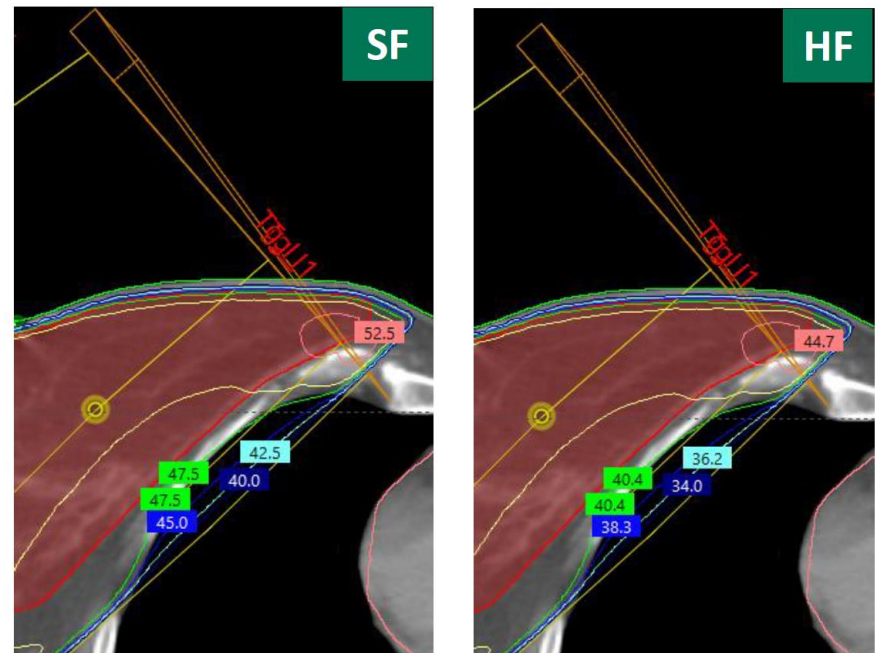
Student's t-test between LAR<sub>SF</sub> and LAR<sub>HF</sub>:  
P = 0.037



Null hypothesis rejected (95% C.L.)



$r \pm \epsilon_d$	$1.137 \pm 0.001$
$R^2$	0.99



# Age dependence

$$LAR = \sum_{age_e+L}^{75} EAR(OED, age_e, age_a) \frac{S(age_a)}{S(age_e)}$$

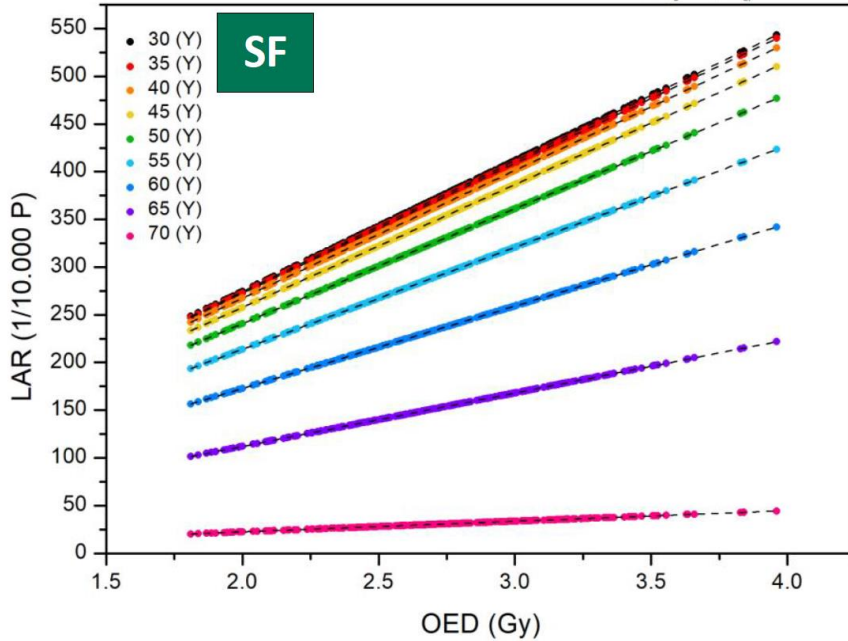


$$LAR_{(age_e)_i}^{(age_a)75} = a_i \times OED$$

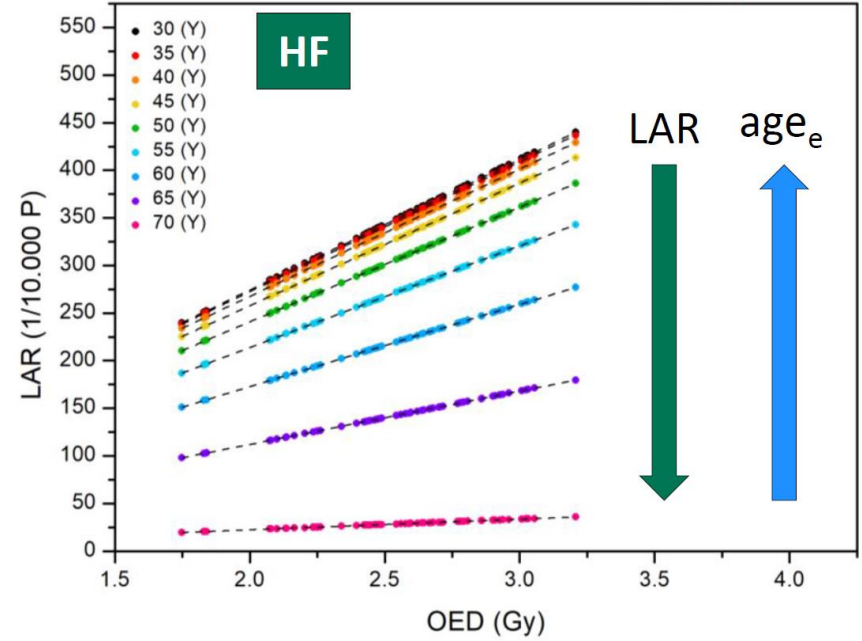
From  $i = 30$  to  $i = 70$  years  
in 5-year steps



3D-CRT SF tot - LAR vs OED for different age<sub>e</sub> - age<sub>a</sub> = 75 Y

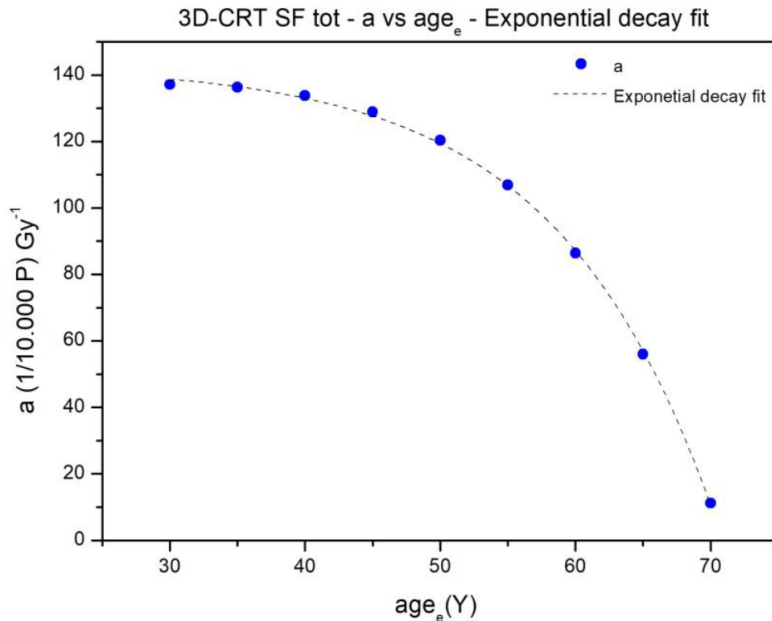


3D-CRT HF - LAR Vs OED for different age<sub>e</sub> - age<sub>a</sub> = 75 Y



Fractionation-type independence

# The OED Simplified Model (OSM)



$A \pm \epsilon_A$ (1/10.000 P) Gy <sup>-1</sup>	$-0.312 \pm 0.049$
$B \pm \epsilon_B$ (Y)	$-11.568 \pm 0.293$
$C \pm \epsilon_C$ (1/10.000 P) Gy <sup>-1</sup>	$142.928 \pm 0.994$
$R^2$	0.99

MSE minimization



$$LAR_{(age_e)_i}^{(age_a)75} = a_i \times OED$$

$$a(age_e) = A \times e^{-\frac{age_e}{B}} + C$$

OSM equation:

$$LAR = (A \times e^{-\frac{age_e}{B}} + C) \times OED$$

OSM parameters:

$A_{OSM}$ (1/10.000 P) Gy <sup>-1</sup>	-0.340
$B_{OSM}$ (Y)	-11.688
$C_{OSM}$ (1/10.000 P) Gy <sup>-1</sup>	144.557

$LAR_{Schneider}$  and  $LAR_{OSM}$  belong to the same population with **98% C.L. (P < 0.02)**

MSE decreases by 67%  
Standard deviation decreases by 46%

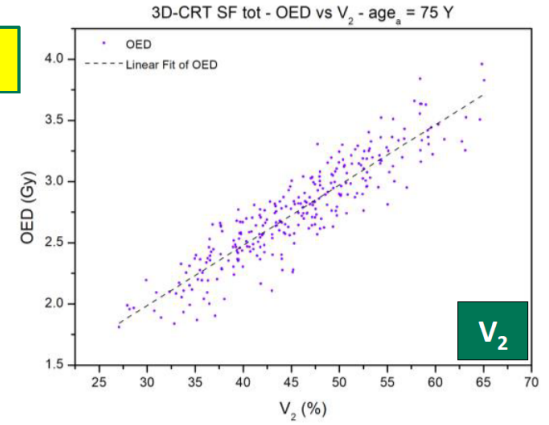


Work  
in  
progress

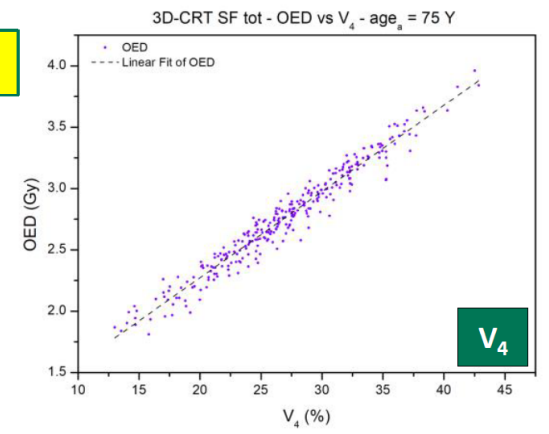
The Vd  
Simplified  
Model (VSM)

# OED vs $V_d$

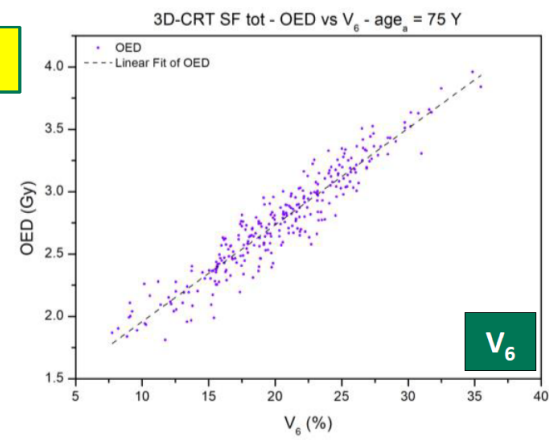
$R^2=0.83$



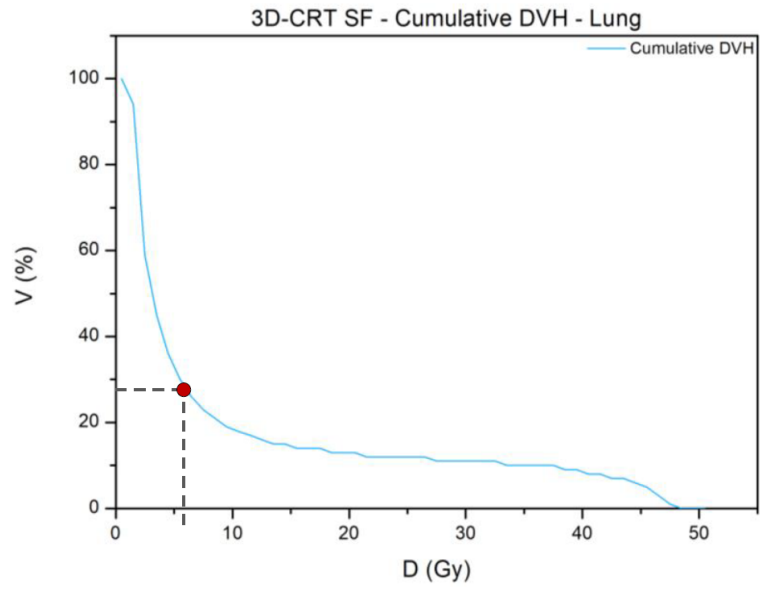
$R^2=0.95$



$R^2=0.89$



Evaluation performed from  $d = 1$  to  $d = 10$  Gy



$$OED = M + N \times V_d$$

$V_4$  parameters:

$M \pm \epsilon_M$ (1/10.000 P) $Gy^{-1}$	$0.866 \pm 0.025$
$N \pm \epsilon_N$ (Y)	$0.070 \pm 0.001$
$R^2$	0.95

# The $V_d$ Simplified Model (VSM)

$$LAR_{(age_e)_i}^{(age_a)75} = a_i \times OED$$

$$a(age_e) = A \times e^{-\frac{age_e}{B}} + C$$

OSM equation:

$$LAR = (A \times e^{-\frac{age_e}{B}} + C) \times OED$$

$$OED = M + N \times V_d$$

VSM equation:

$$LAR = (A \times e^{-\frac{age_e}{B}} + C) \times (M + N \times V_d)$$

$A \pm \epsilon_A$ (1/10.000 P) $Gy^{-1}$	$-0.312 \pm 0.049$
$B \pm \epsilon_B$ (Y)	$-11.568 \pm 0.293$
$C \pm \epsilon_C$ (1/10.000 P) $Gy^{-1}$	$142.928 \pm 0.994$
$R^2$	0.99

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$N \pm \epsilon_N$ (Y)	$0.070 \pm 0.001$
$R^2$	0.95



MSE minimization

VSM parameters (3D-CRT,  $V_4$ ):

$A_{VSM}$ (1/10.000 P) $Gy^{-1}$	-0.300
$B_{VSM}$ (Y)	-11.387
$C_{VSM}$ (1/10.000 P) $Gy^{-1}$	147.601
$M_{VSM}$ (1/10.000 P) $Gy^{-1}$	0.830
$N_{VSM}$ (Y)	0.069

MSE decreases by 10%  
Standard deviation decreases by 6%

$LAR_{Schneider}$  and  $LAR_{VSM}$  belong to the same population with **98% C.L. (P < 0.02)**



# Baseline increment

The **LIR** is the organ- gender- and age-dependent **Lifetime Intrinsic Risk** for developing a malignancy (e.g., lung cancer)



Integrated Cancer Registry  
(AOU Policlinico "G. Rodolico -  
San Marco" )



age class (Y)	Incidence (1/100.000 PY)*
30-34	7
35-39	17
40-44	33
45-49	84
50-54	148
55-59	169
60-64	210
65-69	201
70-74	235



$age_e - age_a$ (Y)	LIR (%)*
30-74	5.37
35-74	5.34
40-74	5.26
45-74	5.10
50-74	4.70
55-74	3.99
60-74	3.18
65-74	2.16
70-74	1.17

The patient specific **Relative-Risk (RR)** = Baseline increment

$$RR = \frac{LAR + LIR}{LIR}$$



\*For Sicilian women resident in Catania

# V<sub>d</sub> Constraints

VSM equation:

$$LAR = (A \times e^{-\frac{agee}{B}} + C) \times (M + N \times V_d)$$

$$V_d = \frac{LAR}{(A \times e^{-\frac{agee}{B}} + C) \times N} - \frac{M}{N}$$

## Organ At Risk (OAR) Constraints:

OAR	HF	SF
Ipsilateral Lung	D <sub>mean</sub> < 7 Gy V <sub>4</sub> < 40-50% V <sub>8</sub> < 30-35% V <sub>16</sub> < 15-20% V <sub>20</sub> < 10%	D <sub>mean</sub> < 8 Gy V <sub>5</sub> < 40% V <sub>20</sub> < 15%
Controlateral Lung	D <sub>mean</sub> < 2 Gy	D <sub>mean</sub> < 3 Gy
Controlateral Breast	D <sub>mean</sub> < 3 Gy	D <sub>mean</sub> < 4 Gy
Heart	D <sub>mean</sub> < 3.2-4 Gy	D <sub>mean</sub> < 5 Gy
LAD	D <sub>mean</sub> < 15 Gy	D <sub>mean</sub> < 17 Gy

## Lung cancer risk constraints\*

RR	V <sub>4-30</sub>	V <sub>4-35</sub>	V <sub>4-40</sub>	V <sub>4-45</sub>	V <sub>4-50</sub>	V <sub>4-55</sub>	V <sub>4-60</sub>	V <sub>4-65</sub>
2.0	42	43	43	44	43	41	40	43
1.9	37	37	38	38	38	35	34	37
1.8	31	32	32	33	32	30	29	32
1.7	26	26	27	27	27	25	24	26
1.6	21	21	21	22	21	20	19	21
1.5	15	15	16	16	16	14	14	15

**Goals:**  
**V95%** and **110% max dose** within the Planning Treated Volume (PTV)

$$RR = \frac{LAR + LIR}{LIR}$$



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# Prospects

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- Risk estimation could be extended to other breast radiation treatment techniques, i.e , Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (**IMRT**) and Volumetric Modulated Arc Therapy (**VMAT**)
- Contralateral Breast
- Deep Inspiration Breath Hold (**DIBH**)
- Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (**SBRT**)
- Stereotactic RadioSurgery (**SRS**)
- Clinical Audit

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