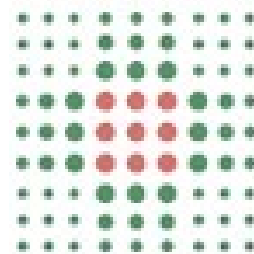




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# Ruolo dell'Imaging nella Dispnea

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Da un semplice prelievo di sangue la diagnosi di un tumore al polmone, identificato a uno stadio fino a due anni più precoce di quanto sia possibile utilizzando la Tac spirale, il più avanzato degli strumenti diagnostici oggi a disposizione.

# Summary

- **Acute dyspnea:**

- Elderly (pneumonia, bronchitis, **acute pulmonary embolism**, myocardial infarction, liquid overload)
- Oncologic
  - **Chemotherapy/target therapy/Immunotherapy** (drug-related pneumonia, organizing pneumonia, pneumonitis, bronchitis)
  - Not related to therapy (pleural effusion, acute pulmonary embolism, metastasis)
- Youth (**severe asthma**, pneumothorax, pneumomediastinum, pneumonia, pericarditis-myocarditis, foreign body)
- Diffuse alveolar damage (pulmonary or extrapulmonary cause)
- Alveolar hemorrhage (vasculitidis, connective tissue disease, cocaine, toxic gas)
- Foreign body/aspiration
- Trauma (pneumothorax)

- **Chronic dyspnea:**

- Elderly (chronic cardiac failure, **COPD, interstitial lung disease**, idiopathic or secondary pulmonary hypertension, anemia)
- **Severe asthma**
- Inhalational/professional exposure
- Psychogenic
- Iatrogenic tracheal stenosis
- Pleural disease (effusion, etc.)

- **Acute onset in chronic dyspnea:**

- **Acute exacerbation of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis**
- COPD exacerbation
- Kidney/liver failure

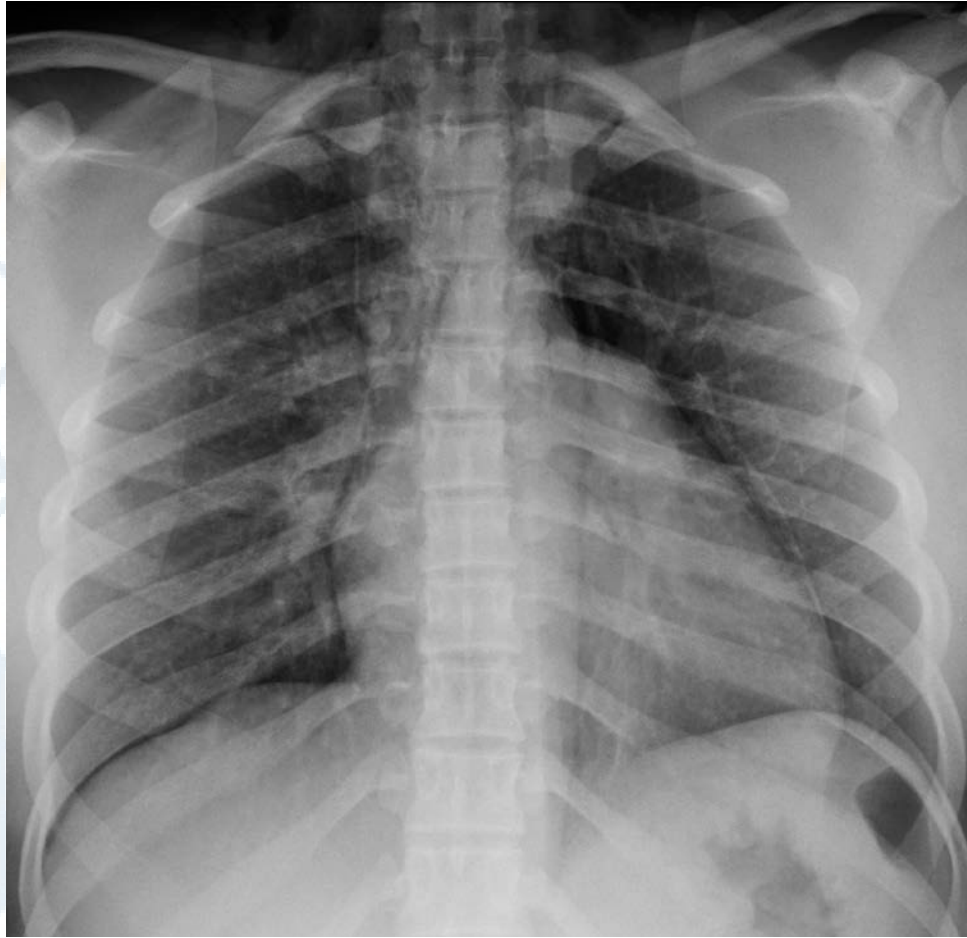
# Acute Dyspnea → Plain chest radiograph (CXR)

- Acute heart failure (20% non-diagnostic CXR)
- Pneumonia
- Oncologic: Pleural effusion/Metastasis
- Foreign body
- Pneumothorax / tension pneumothorax
- Asthma
- COPD



Asthma

# Acute Dyspnea → Plain chest radiograph (CXR)



Complication of severe asthma: pneumomediastinum

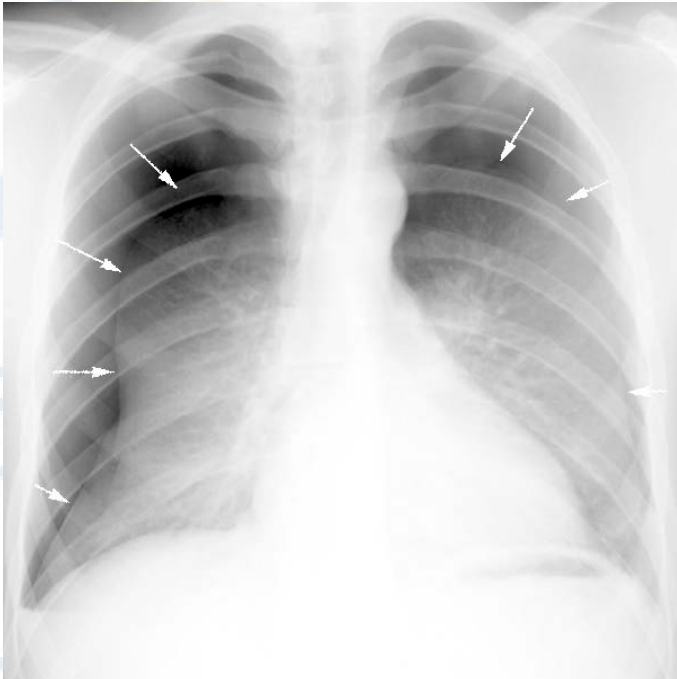




# Acute dyspnea → Plain chest radiograph (CXR)

In severe asthma, chest imaging is most helpful for:

- Complications of severe asthma



- Alternative diagnoses:

intrathoracic or extrathoracic airway obstruction,  
obliterative bronchiolitis,  
chronic obstructive pulmonary disease,  
hypersensitivity pneumonitis,  
hypereosinophilic syndromes,  
allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis,  
eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis

# Acute dyspnea → CT pulmonary angiography

## **Pulmonary embolism:**

CT pulmonary angiography

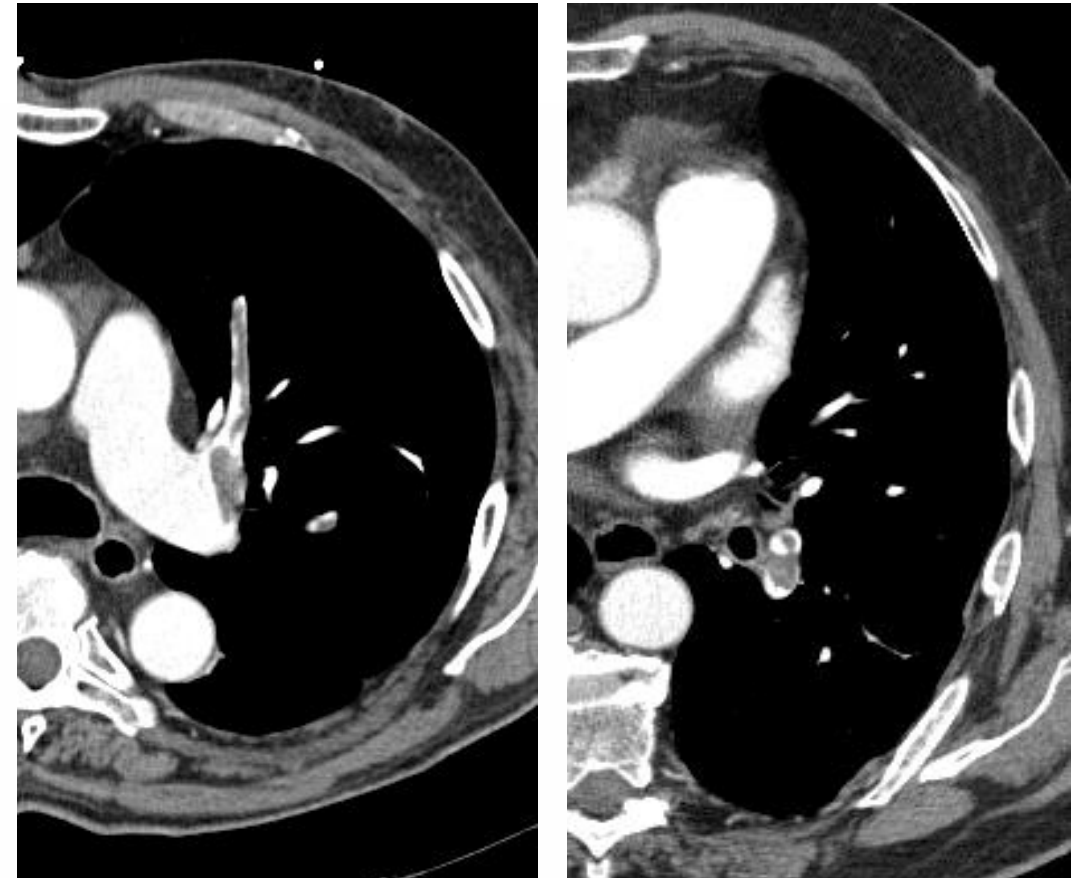


Small vascular volume & Fast acquisition



Contrast agent:

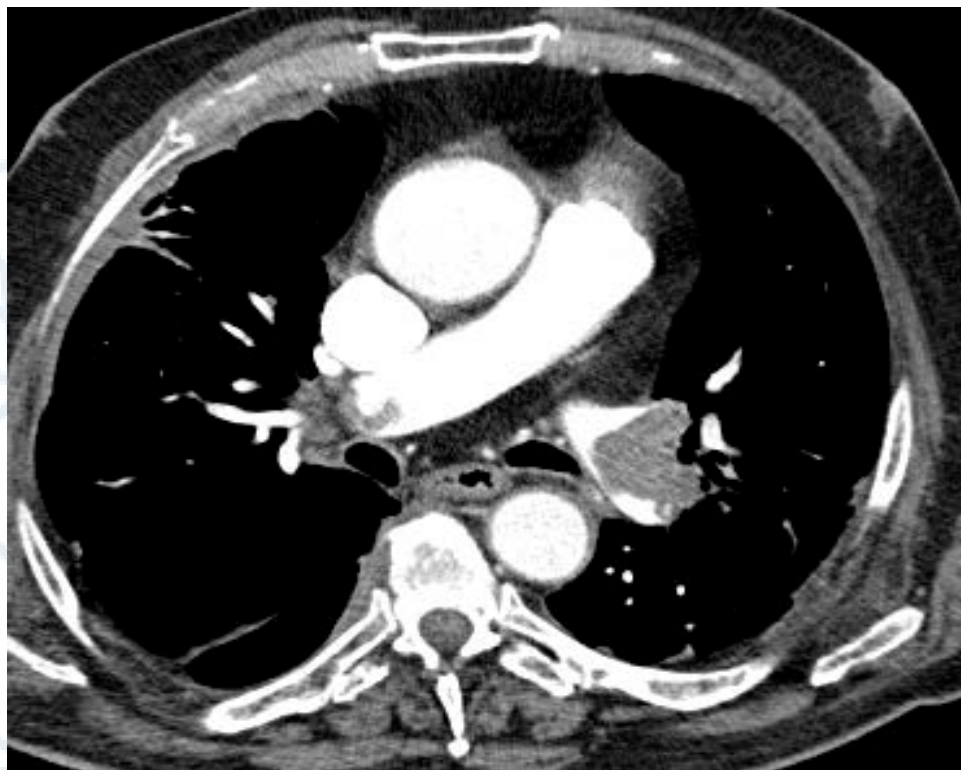
Low volume 40 ml (or less?)



*Revel MP, Radiology 2007; 244(3):875-882.*

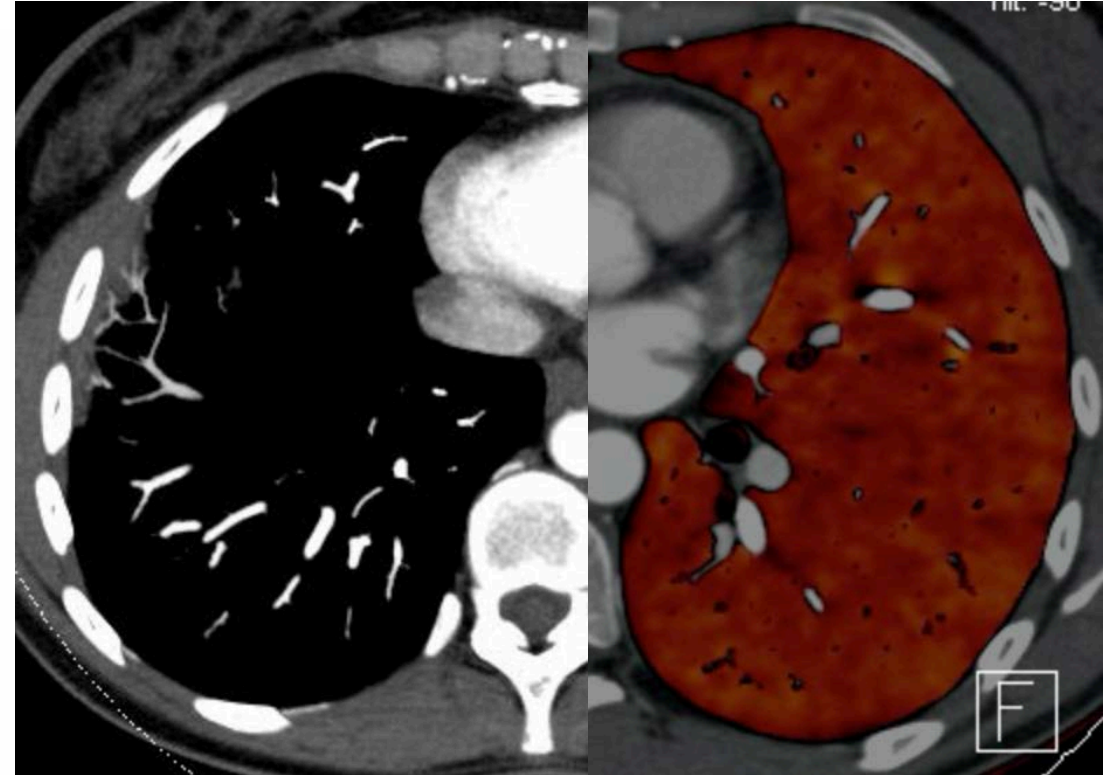
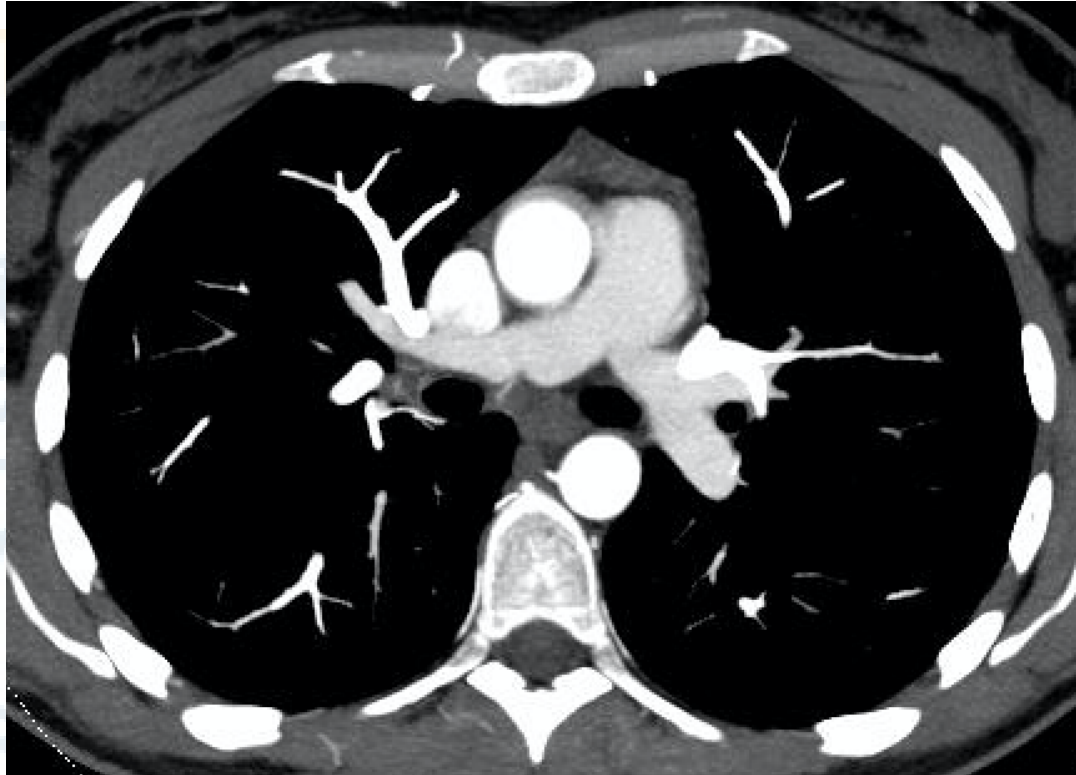
*Remy-Jardin M, Radiol Clin N Am 2014; 52:183–193*

# Acute dyspnea → Chest CT



*Galiè N, Eur Heart J 2016; 37(1):67-119*

# Acute dyspnea → Chest CT



*Ameli-Renani S, Radiographics 2014; 34(7):1769-90*  
*Hagspiel KD, Clinical Radiology 2012; 67:69-77*



# Acute dyspnea in the Oncologic patient

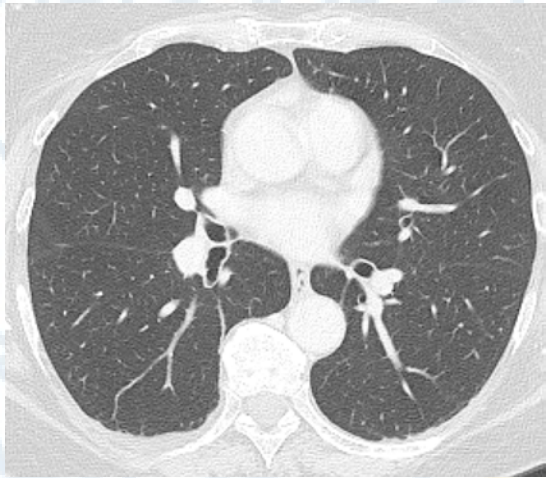
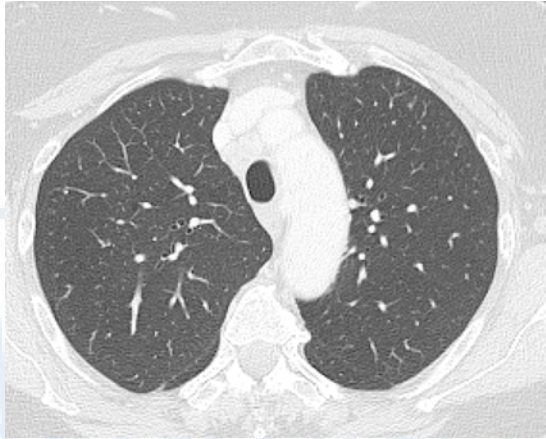
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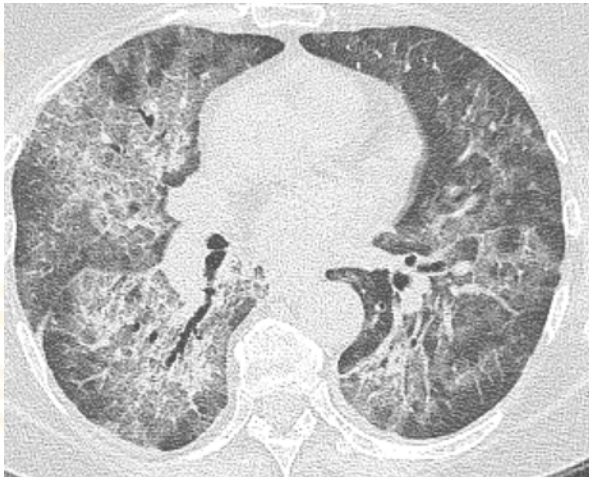
- Infection
- Malignant disease progression

	Incidence	Onset	Disease
Platinum-based	+	Days	Broncospasm
Gemcitabine	++	Days	NSIP-like, DAD, haemorrhage
Etoposid	+	Days	Broncospasm, NSIP-like, DAD
Pemetrexed	+	Days	NSIP-like
Bevacizumab	+	Months	Venous thrombosis, pulmonary haemorrhage
Gefitinib Erlotinib	++	First 2 months	DAD
Crizotinib	++(+)	Months or later	DAD or haemorrhage
Nivolumab	+ (?)	Months	DAD/OP

# Drug toxicity – Diffuse alveolar damage



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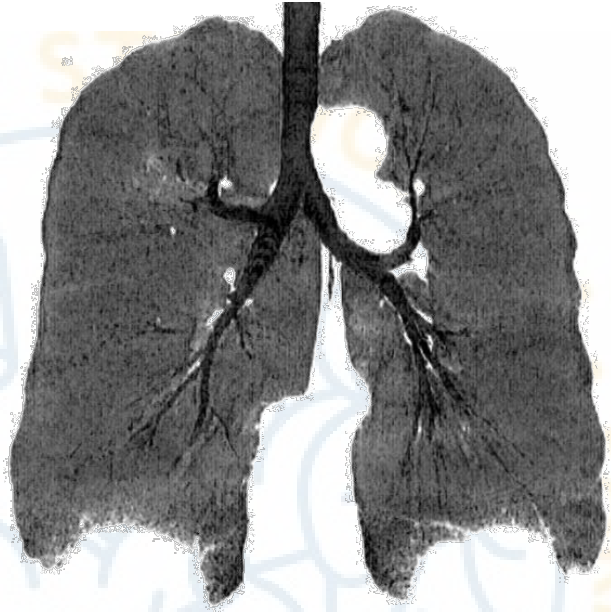
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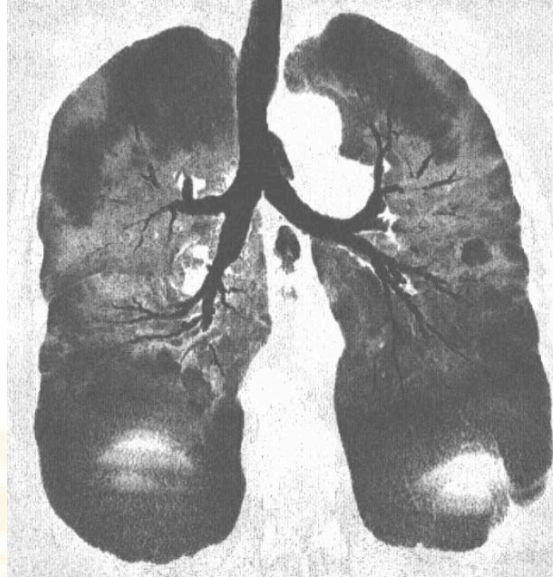
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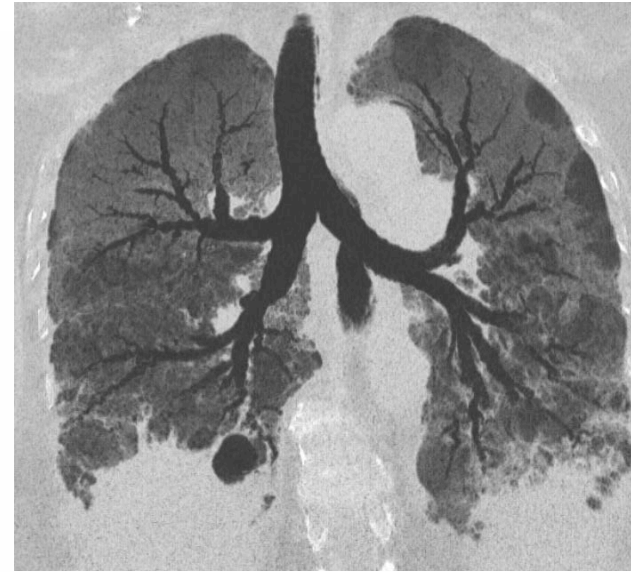
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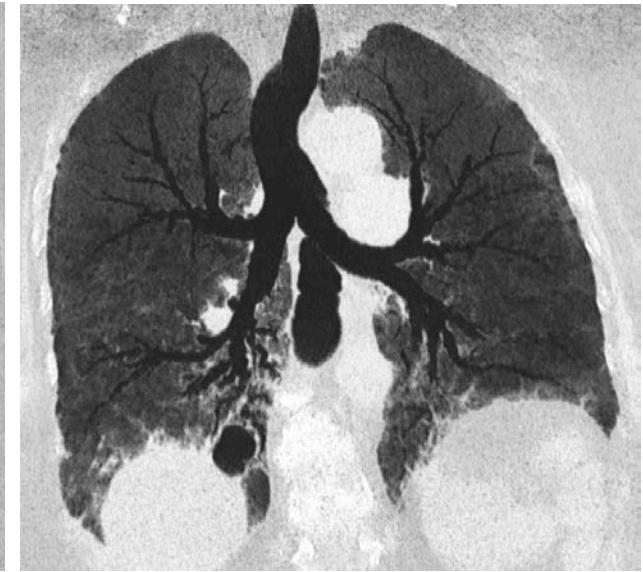
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# Immunotherapy – Lung toxicity

- Onset 2.5 months [range 2–24 months]
- Radiography may fail to identify  $\approx 25\%$
- May appear **on CT before it becomes clinically evident**
- AIP/ARDS manifested as the highest grade of lung injury followed by COP, then NSIP and HP
- **Morphological subtypes of CIP:**
  - COP like
  - Ground-glass
  - Reticular
  - Hypersensitivity
  - Not otherwise specified
  - Sarcoid-like pulmonary changes (subpleural micronodular opacities and hilar lymphadenopathy; *elevated CD4:CD8 ratio*)

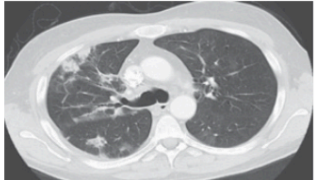
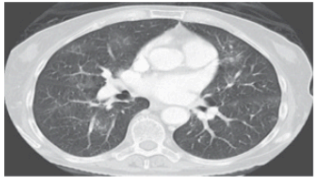

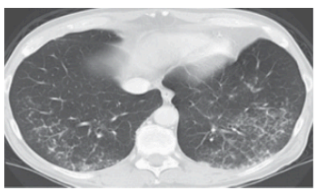
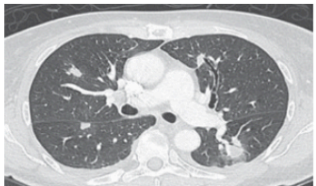
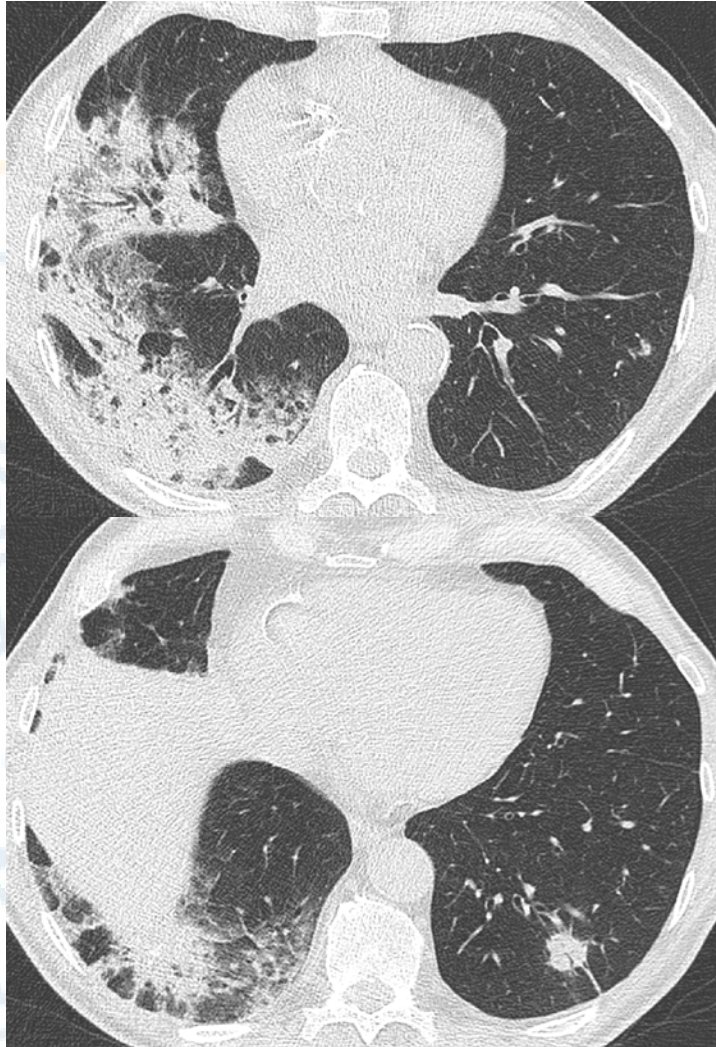
Radiologic Subtypes	Representative Image	Description
<b>Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia-like</b> (n = 5, 19%)		Discrete patchy or confluent consolidation with or without air bronchograms Predominantly peripheral or subpleural distribution
<b>Ground glass opacities</b> (n = 10, 37%)		Discrete focal areas of increased attenuation Preserved bronchovascular markings
<b>Interstitial</b> (n = 6, 22%)		Increased interstitial markings, interlobular septal thickening Peribronchovascular infiltration, subpleural reticulation Honeycomb pattern in severe patient cases
<b>Hypersensitivity</b> (n = 2, 7%)		Centrilobular nodules Bronchiolitis-like appearance Tree-in-bud micronodularity
<b>Pneumonitis not otherwise specified</b> (n = 4, 15%)		Mixture of nodular and other subtypes Not clearly fitting into other subtype classifications

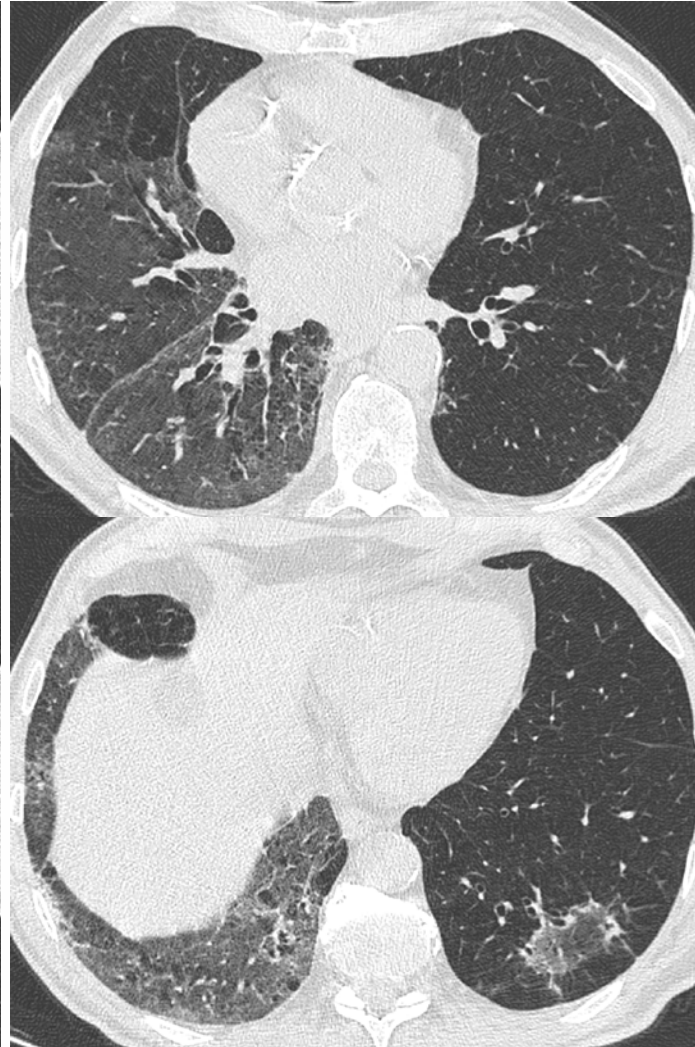
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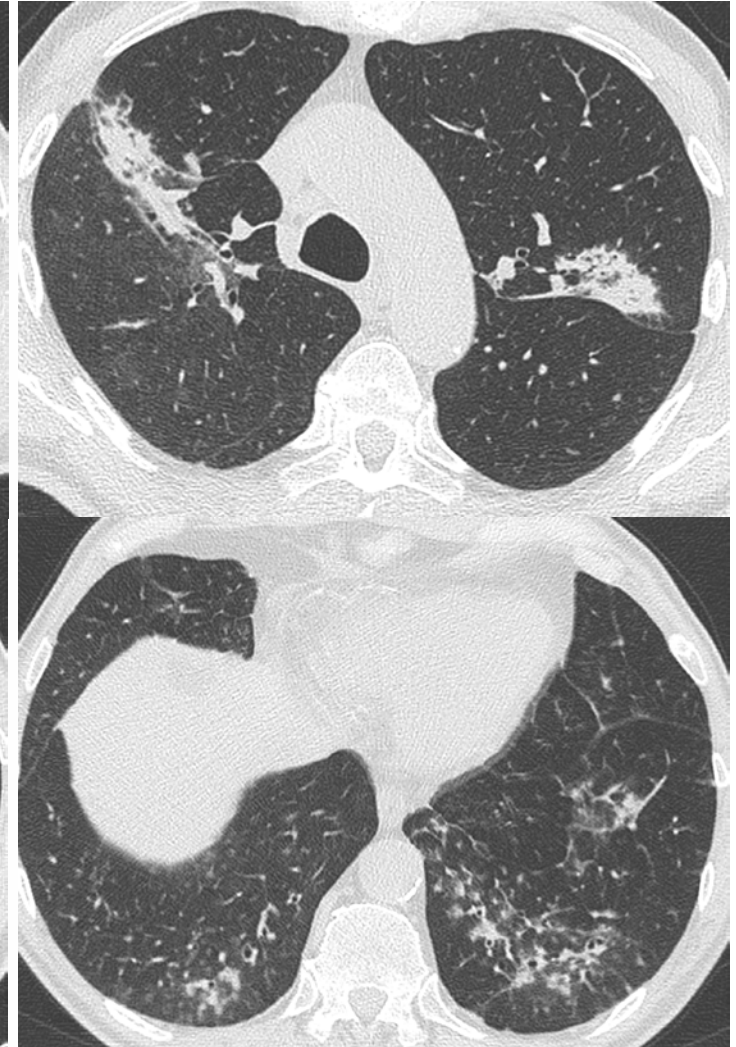
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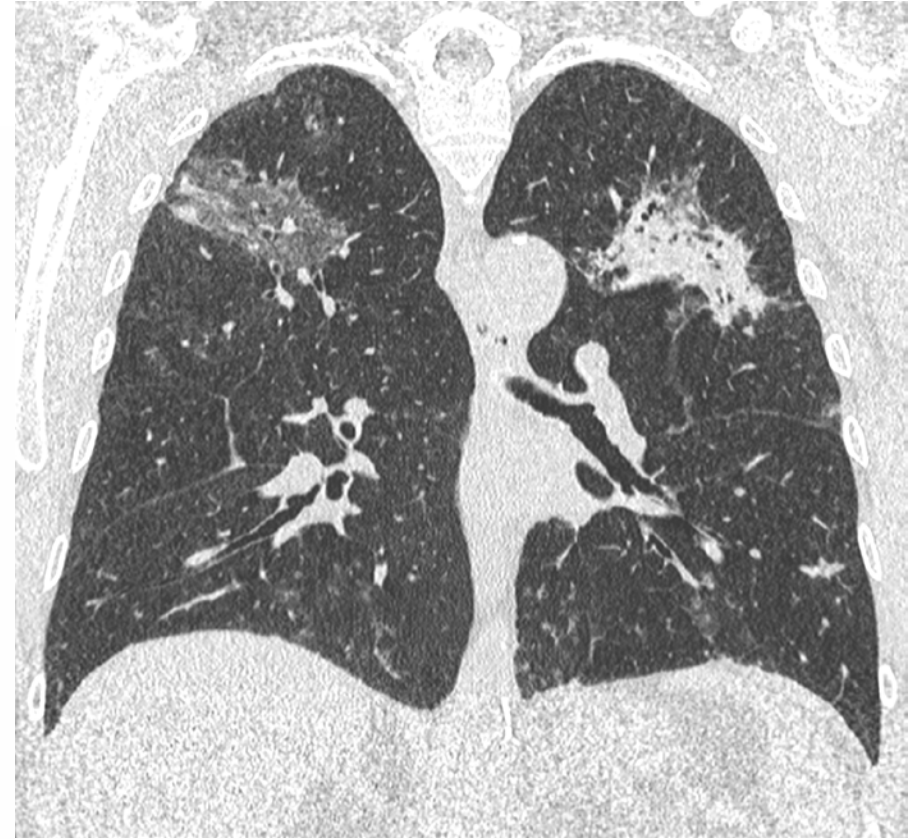
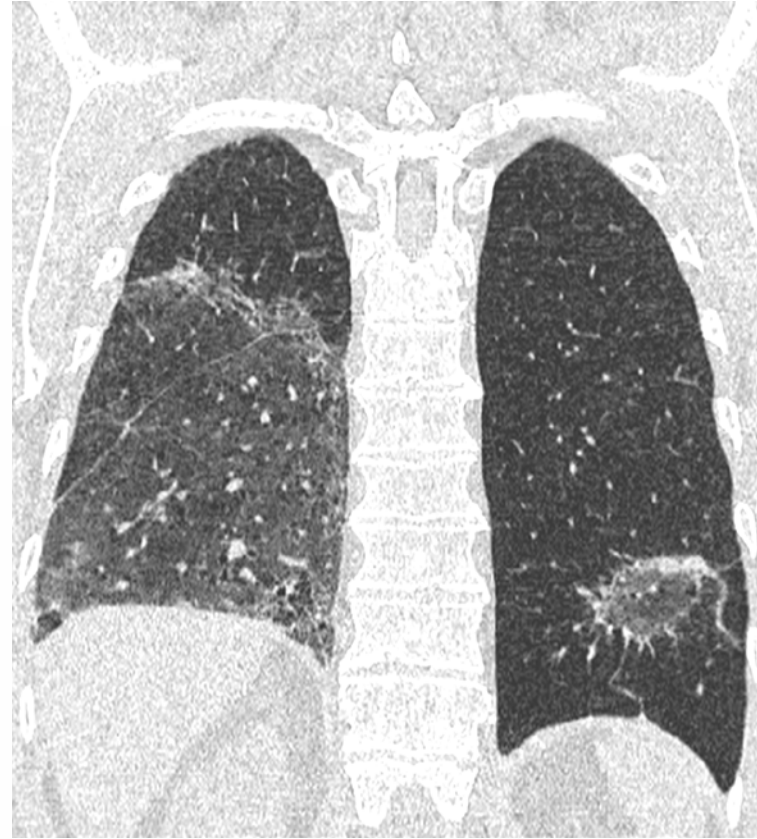
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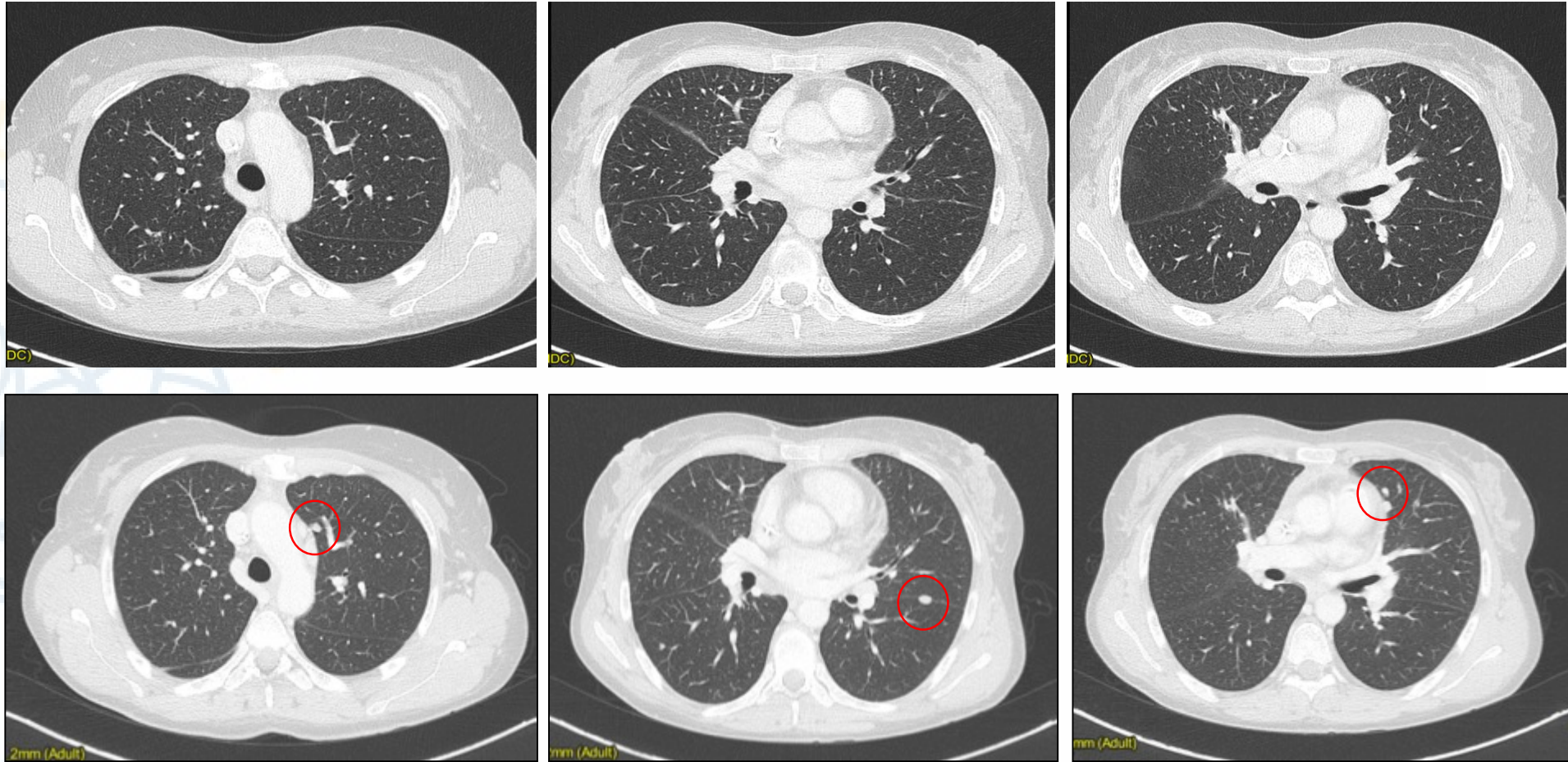
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# Immunotherapy – Lung toxicity – COP like



# Immunotherapy – Lung toxicity – Sarcoid like





# Immunotherapy – Lung toxicity

- Interstitial lung disease:
  - anti-CTLA-4 treatment < **anti-PD-1 treatment**
    - ≈ 1% PD-L1 inhibitors VS ≈ **4 % PD-1 inhibitors**
    - ≈ 3% monotherapy VS ≈ **10% combination therapy**
  - **NSCLC is more associated with pneumonitis and/or treatment-related deaths** than melanoma and renal cell carcinoma
  - Hypotheses for risk prediction:
    - higher rates of **pre-existing adverse pulmonary conditions** (i.e., tobacco exposure, previous lung radiation)
    - previous exposure to **drugs associated with ILD** (taxanes, epidermal growth factor receptor tyrosine kinase inhibitors, and gemcitabine)

Postow MA, N Engl J Med 2015; 372(21):2006–2017

Naidoo J, J Clin Oncol 2017; 35(7):709–717

Nishino M, JAMA Oncol 2016; 2(12):1607-1616

Khunger M, CHEST 2017; 152(2):271-281



# Immunotherapy- Hyperprogressive disease (HPD)

- Predict risk of HPD

## NO association with

number of previous lines (P=0.69)  
the occurrence of corticosteroids at baseline (P=0.16)  
type of previous treatment line  
(conventional chemotherapy P=0.75, targeted therapy P=0.55, radiotherapy P=0.77, immunotherapy P=0.39)  
histology (P=0.29)

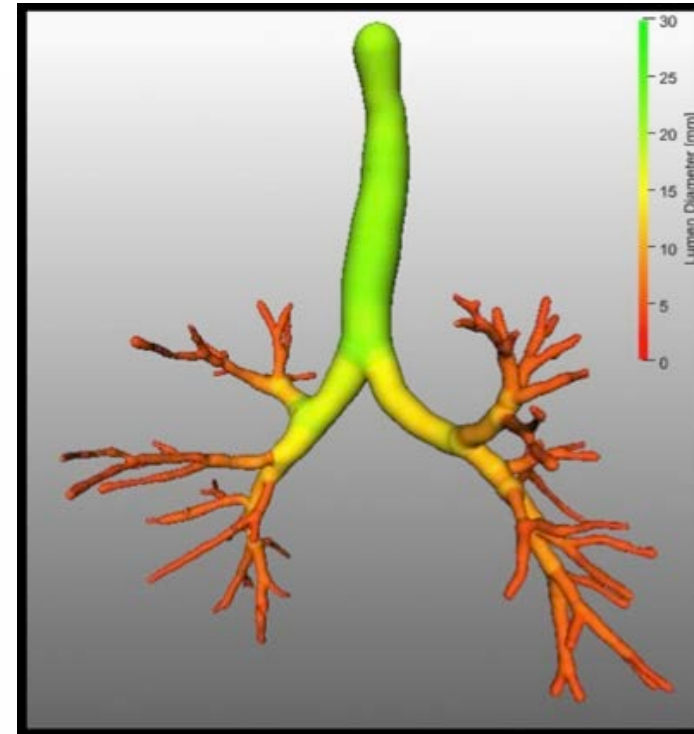
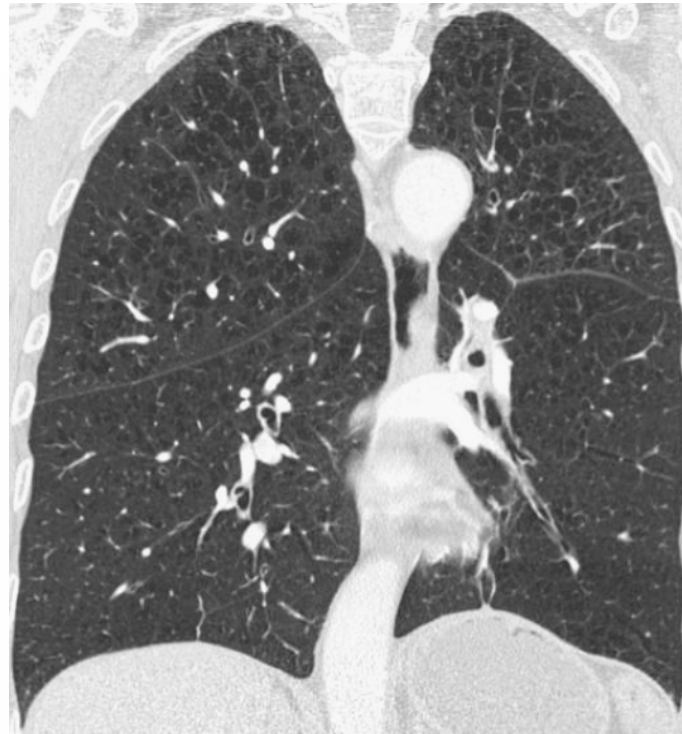
Table from Champiat S, Clin Cancer Res 2017; 23(8): 1920-1928

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	All patients (N=131)	Non HPD (N=119)	HPD (N=12)	P value (Wilcoxon test)
Tumor burden (mm) (estimated by RECIST 1.1)	78 (12-364)	76 (12-364)	91.6 (12-167)	0.64
Age (y)	55 (22-82)	55 (22-82)	65.5 (32-82)	0.007
Leukocytes (1.e+9/l)	7.1 (2.4-41.7)	7.1 (2.4-41.7)	7.95 (3.5-21.0)	0.45
Lymphocytes (1e+9/l)	1.2 (0.1-3.5)	1.2 (0.1-3.5)	0.95 (0.6-2.9)	0.64
Neutrophils (1e+9/l)	5.1 (1.4-37.9)	5.1 (1.4-37.9)	5.0 (2.0-18.7)	0.69
CRP (mg/l)	21.1 (0.5-317.7)	21.1 (0.5-317.7)	21.7 (5.2-68)	0.97
Fibrinogen (g/l)	4.8 (2.8-9.6)	4.9 (2.8-9.6)	4.7 (3.2-7.1)	0.43
LDH (UI/l)	204 (9-1195)	198 (9-1195)	248 (132-547)	0.097
Albumine (g/l)	36 (20-61)	36 (20-61)	34.5 (30-39)	0.23

# Chronic dyspnea in COPD

- COPD includes heterogeneous impairment of the lung
- Computed tomography grants detailed characterization of individual pulmonary abnormalities → Phenotypes

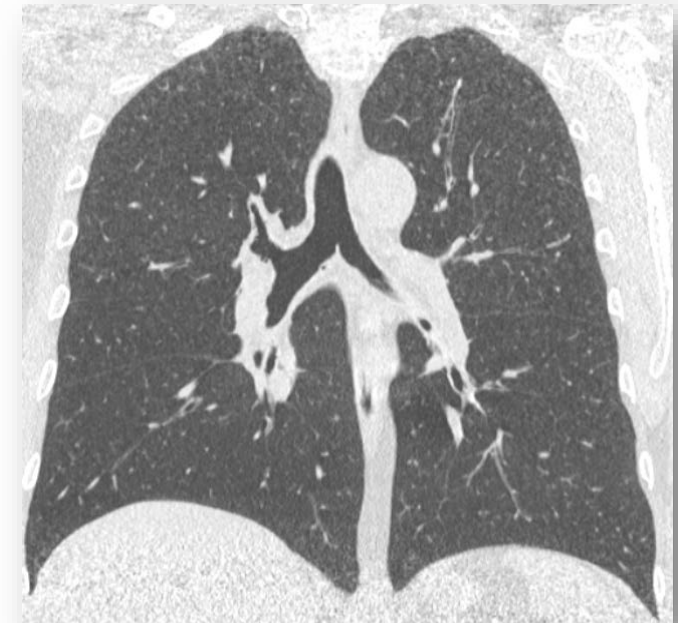
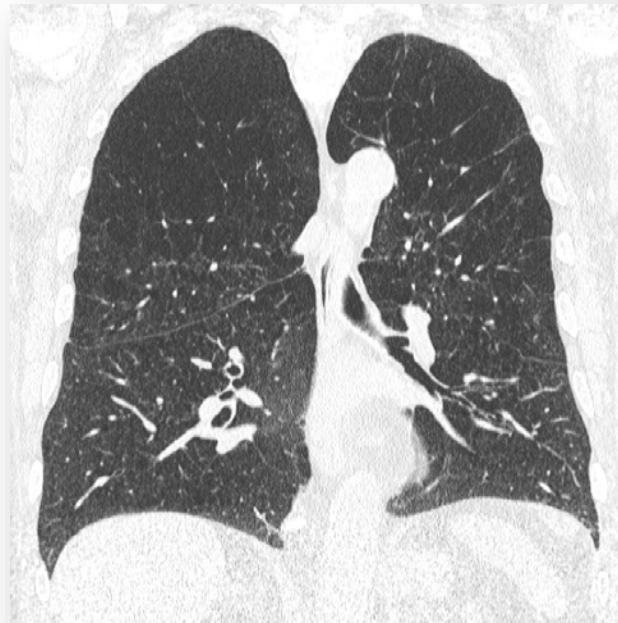


Crisafulli E, Respiratory Medicine 2016; 117:207-214

# Treatment of Emphysema – Surgery

## Lung volume reduction surgery

CT defines emphysema extent and distribution → Upper – Lower > 10%



Fishman A et al., N Engl J Med 2003; 348:2059-73

Nakano Y et al., AJRCCM 2001; 164:2195-9

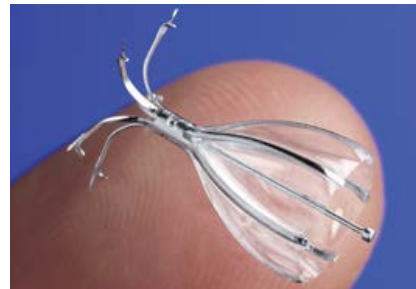
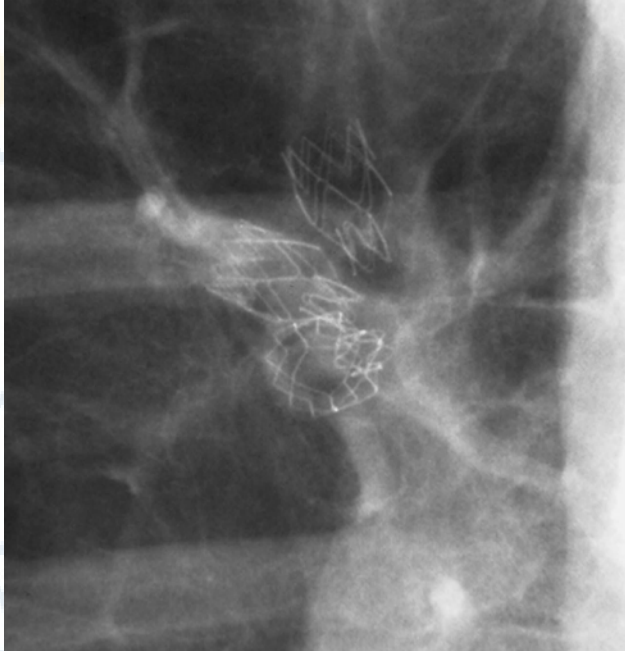
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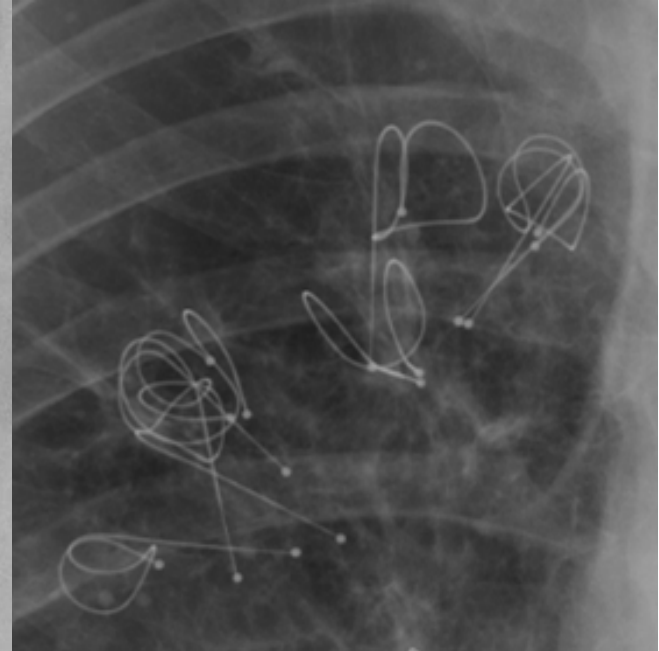


# Treatment of Emphysema – Bronchoscopic

Valves



Coils





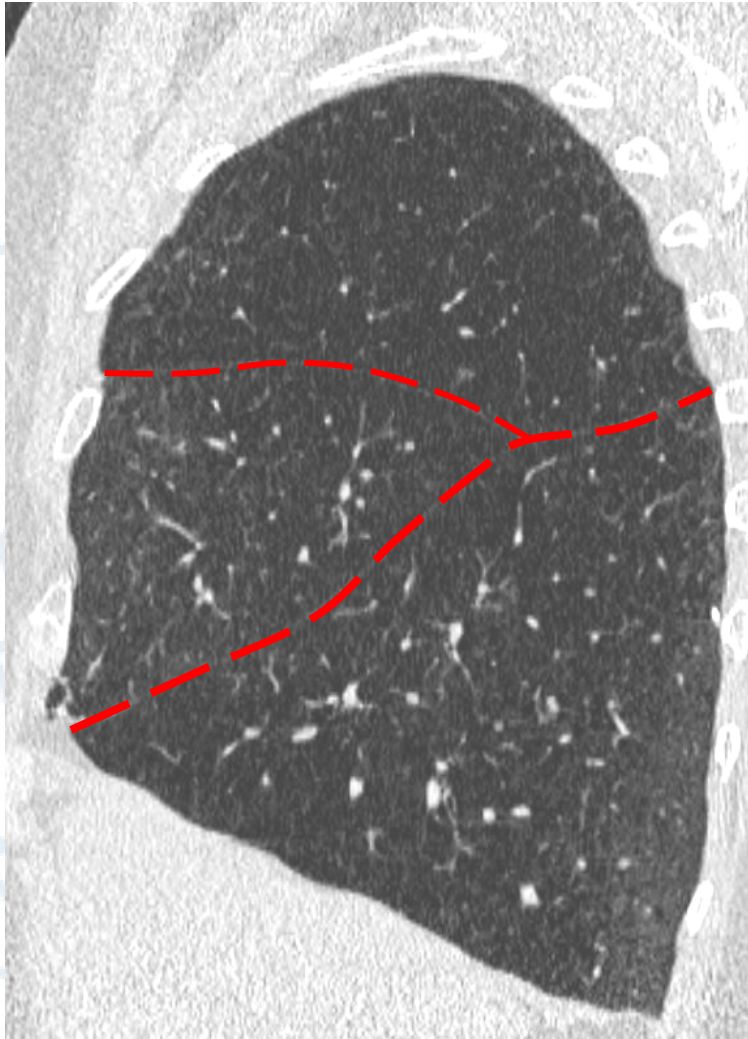
# Treatment of Emphysema – Bronchoscopic

Computed tomography is mandatory to plan the most appropriate treatment, notably:

- Fissure integrity (>90%) has good correlation with Chartis
- Emphysema distribution (target lobe >10% compared to non-target)
- Bronchial anatomy

Milanese G, Curr Opin Pulm Med. 2016 Mar;22(2):179-86

# Fissure integrity

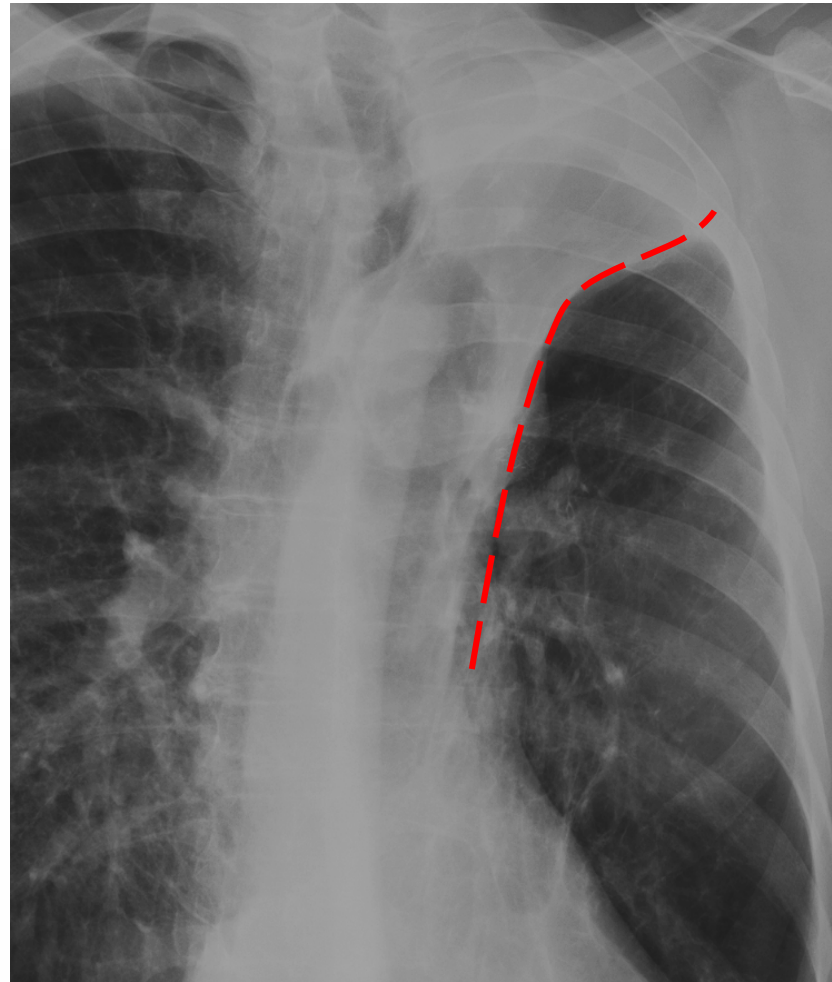
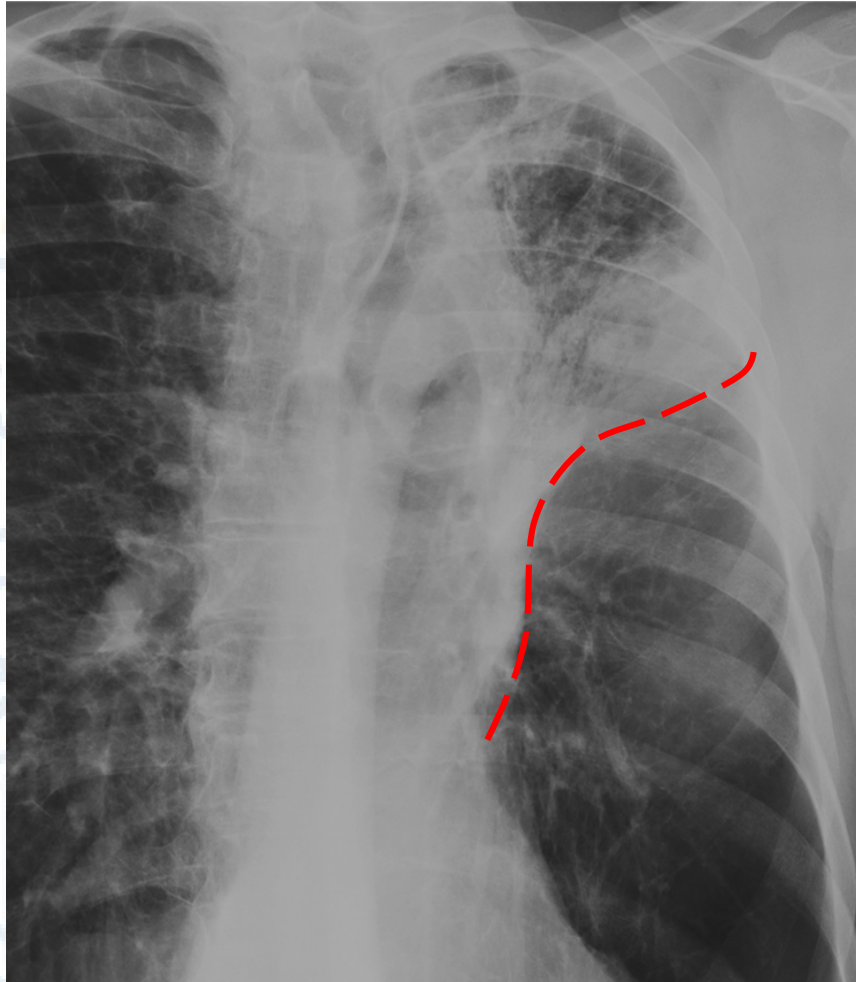


About **33%** of patients with severe emphysema have no collateral ventilation between the target and adjacent lobe and can thus potentially be treated using one-way valves

*Shah PL, Herth FJ. Thorax 2014;69:280–6.*

	Reymond <i>AJR 2013</i>	Van Rikxoort <i>Eur Radiol 12</i>	Koenigkam -Santos <i>Eur J Rad12</i>	Cronin <i>Eur J Rad 10</i>	Ozmen <i>Clin Anat 10</i>	Hermanova <i>Eur J Radi14</i>
<b>Left Oblique</b>	65.2%	33%	50%	25%	48%	24%
<b>Right Oblique</b>	84%	51%	81%	34%	70%	35%
<b>Horizontal</b>	92%	85%	89%	48%	87%	74%

# Treatment of Emphysema – EBV Outcome



Sciruba FC et al, N Engl J Med 2010;363:1233-44



# Treatment of Emphysema – Coil Outcome

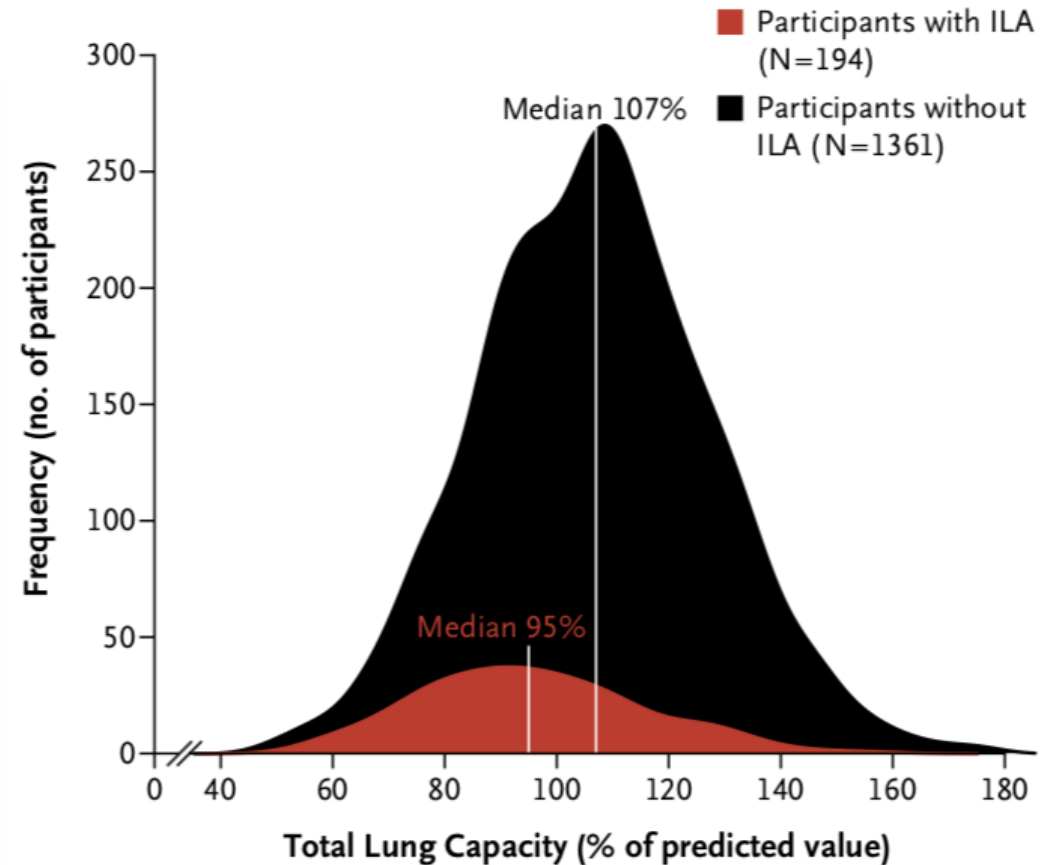


# COPD: emphysema and interstitial lung abnormalities



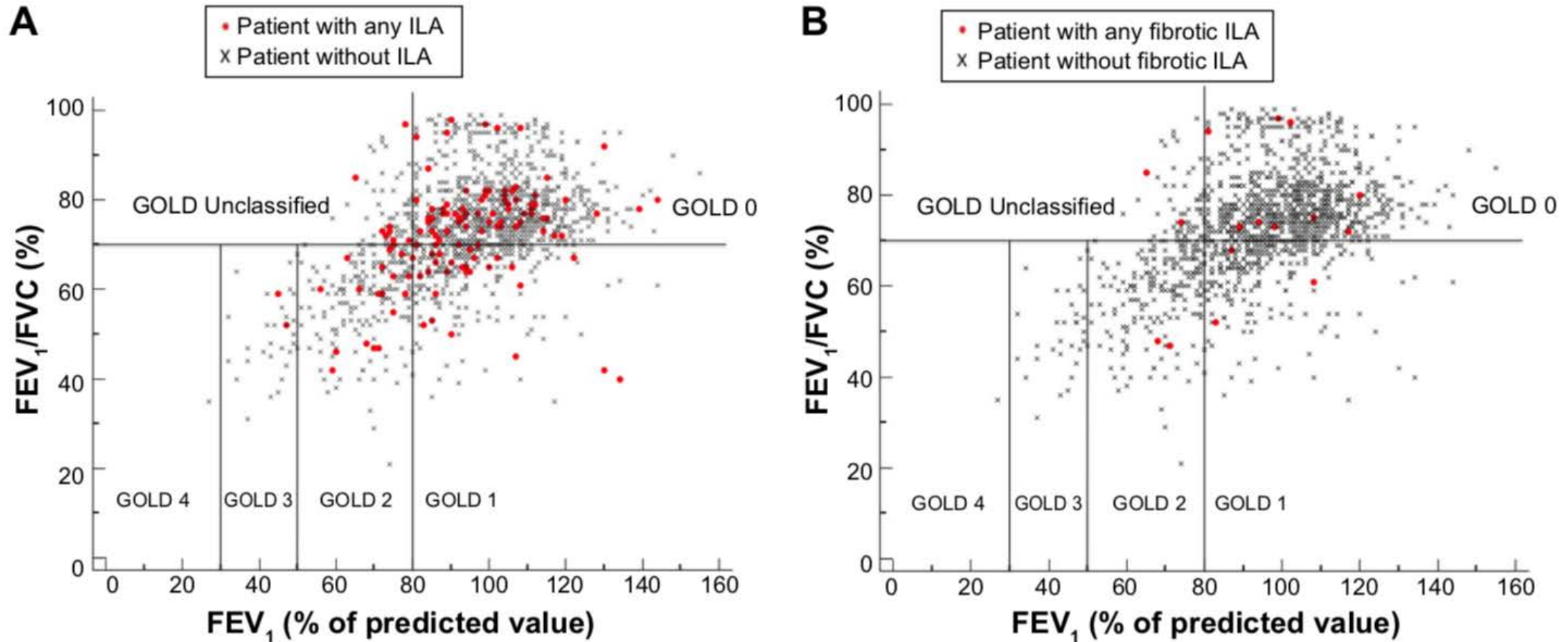
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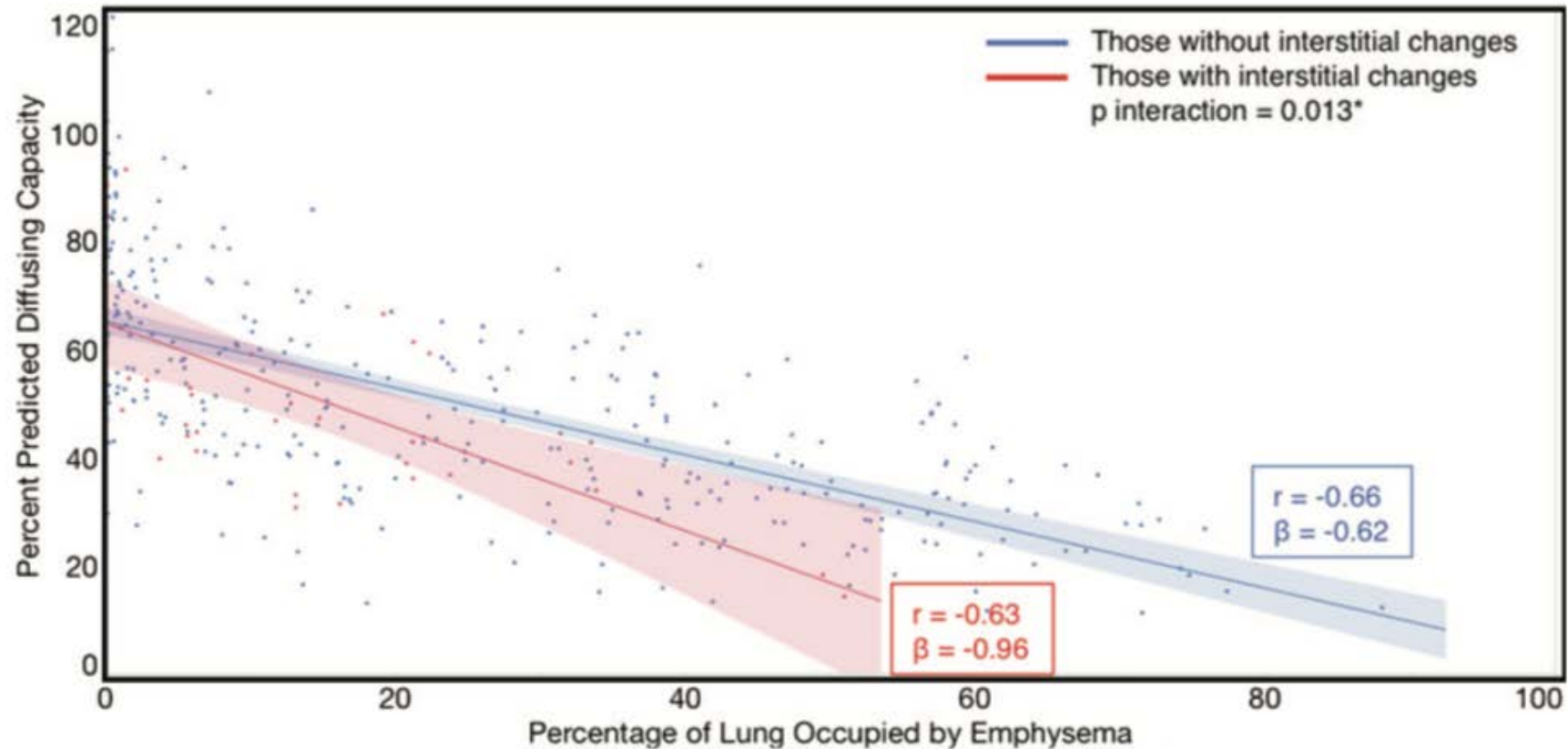
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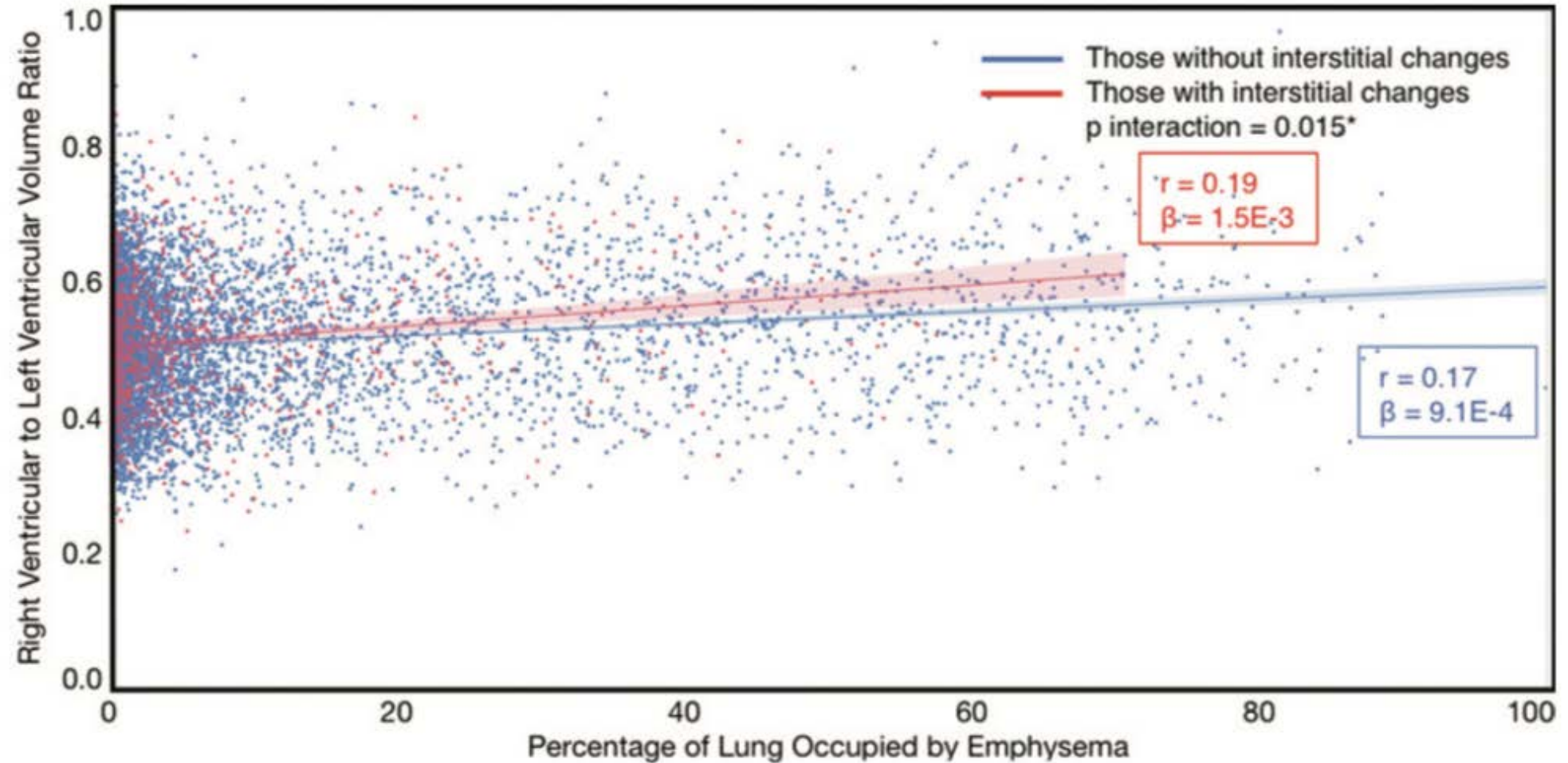
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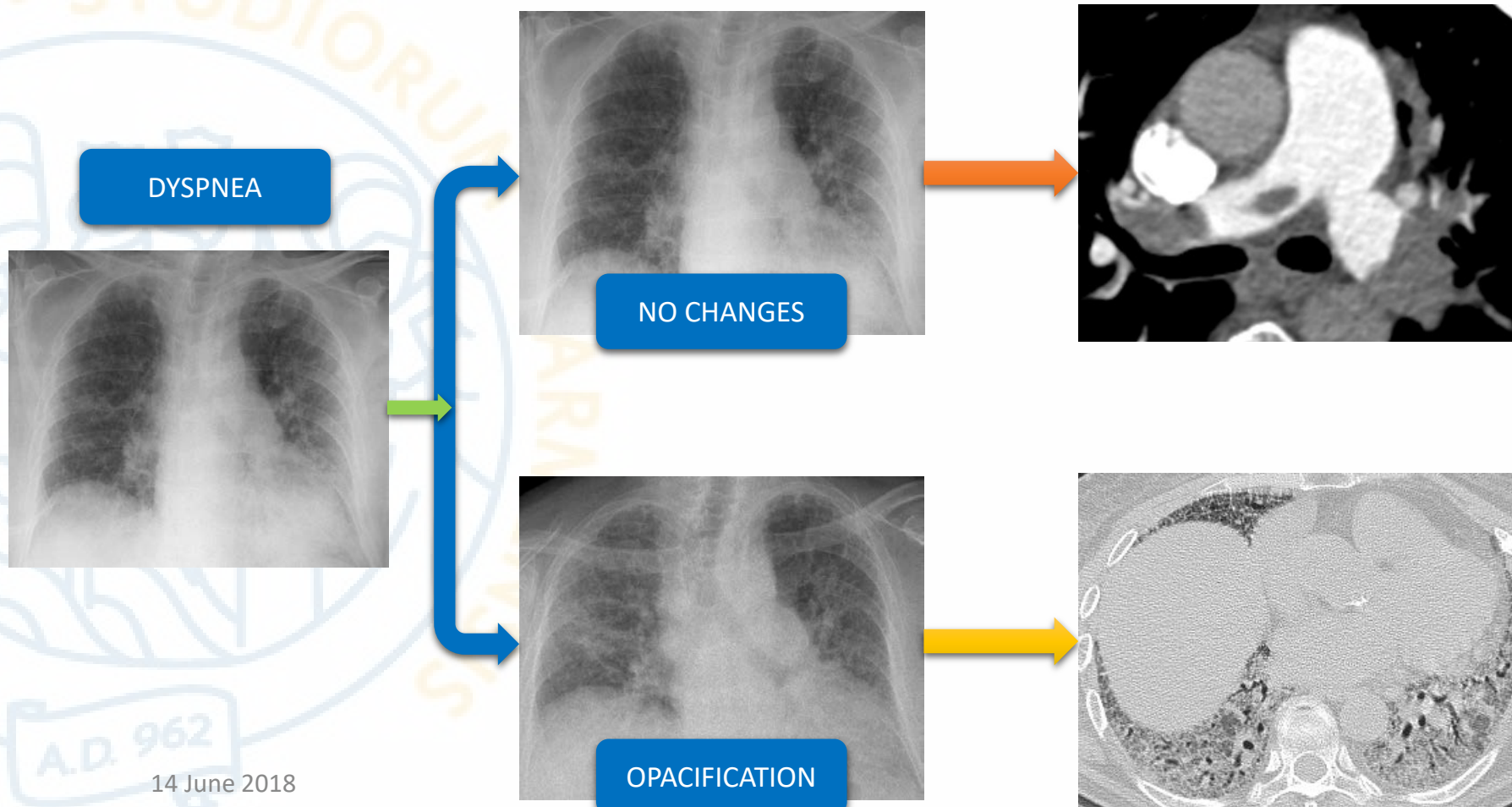
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# Acute onset in Chronic dyspnea – IPF

Acute exacerbation of IPF: dyspnea

Exclusion criteria: left heart failure, pulmonary infection, pulmonary embolism



Collard HR, Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2007; 176(7):636-43.

Juarez MM, J Thorac Dis 2015; 7(3):499-519.

Ryerson CJ, Eur Respir J 2015; 46(2):512-20.



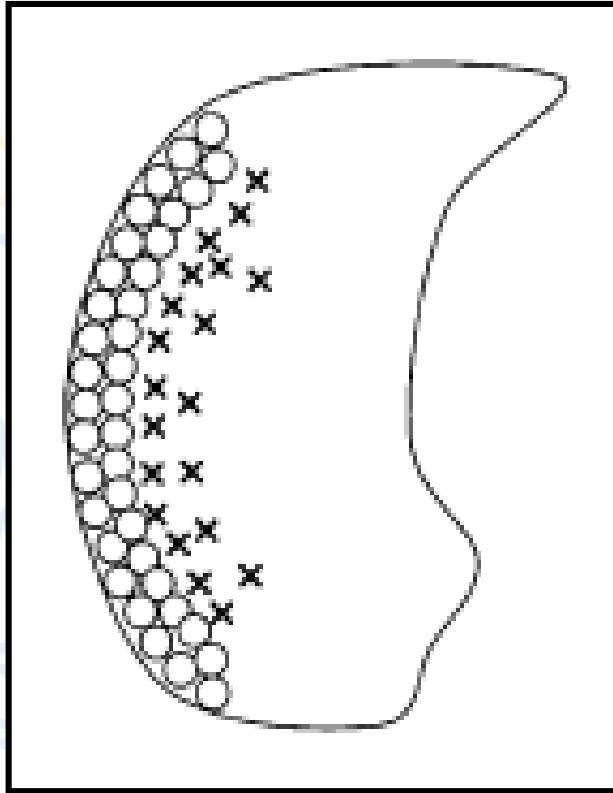
# Acute exacerbation of IPF

- Quite common: incidence 6-16%
- Poor prognosis: 3-month mortality 67%
- Association with surgical biopsy, infections, chemotherapy, radiation therapy
- HRCT does not allow differential between infection and diffuse alveolar damage → bronchoalveolar lavage

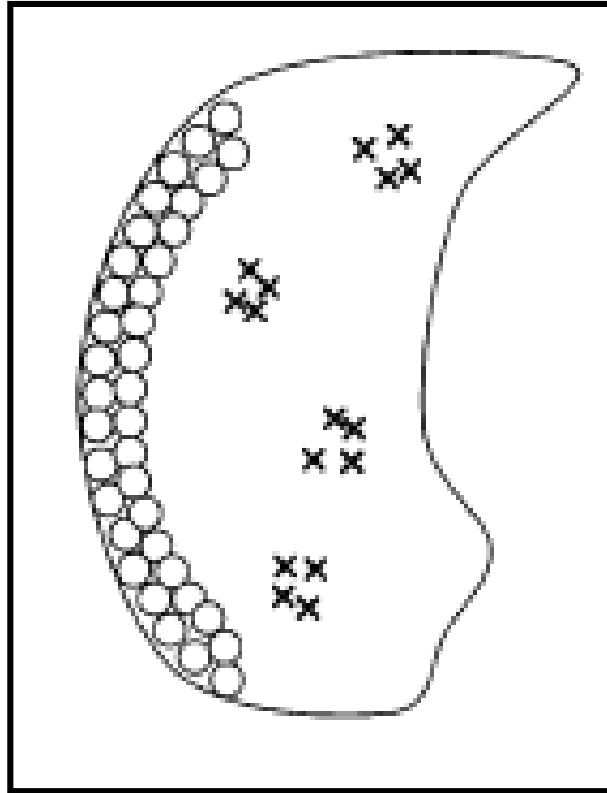
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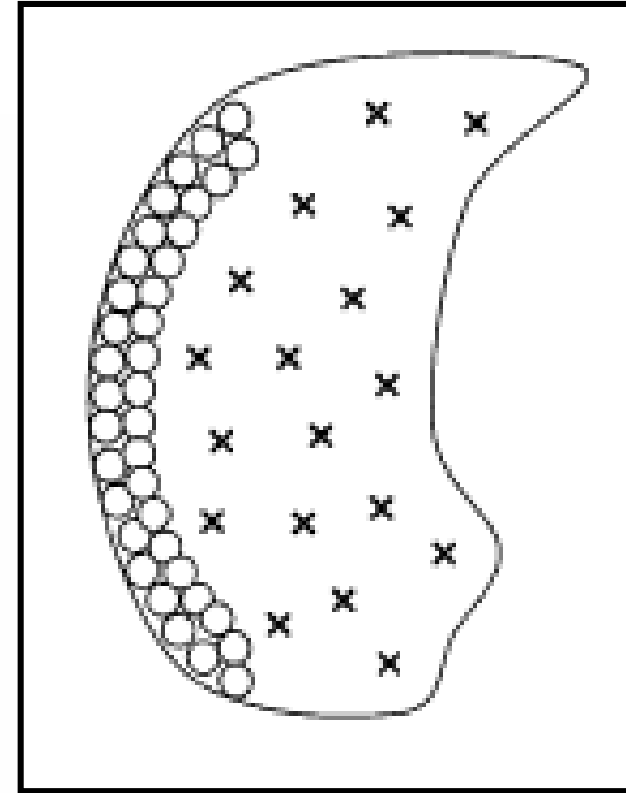
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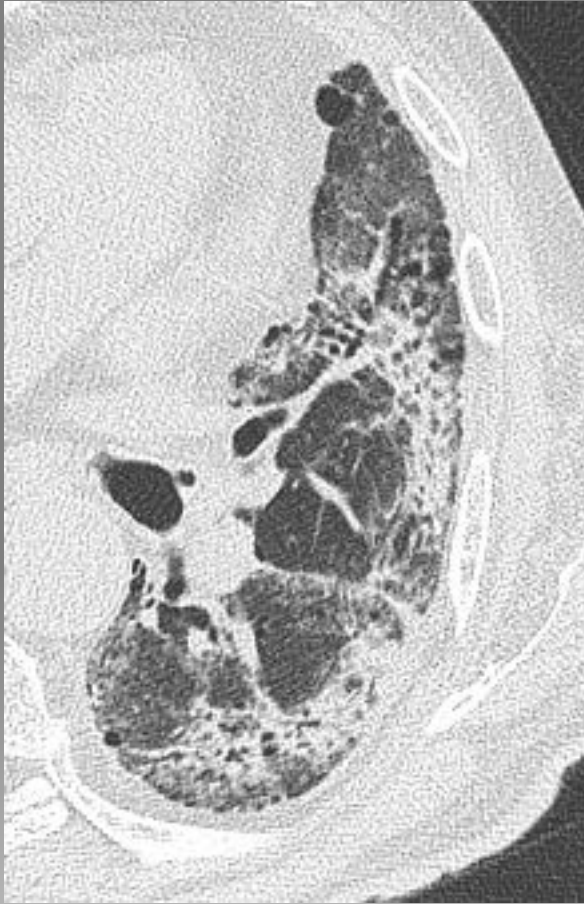
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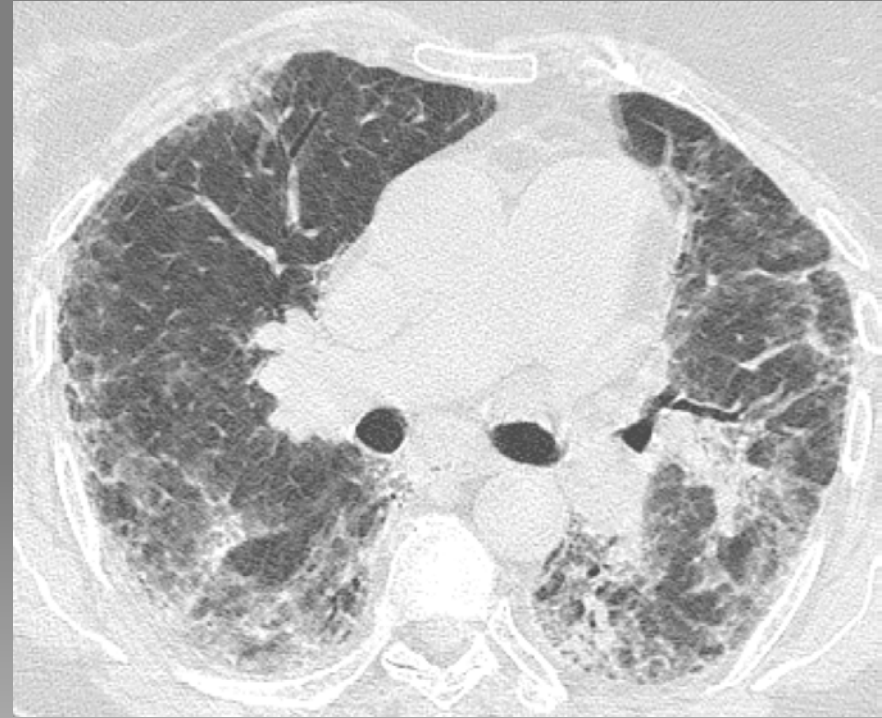
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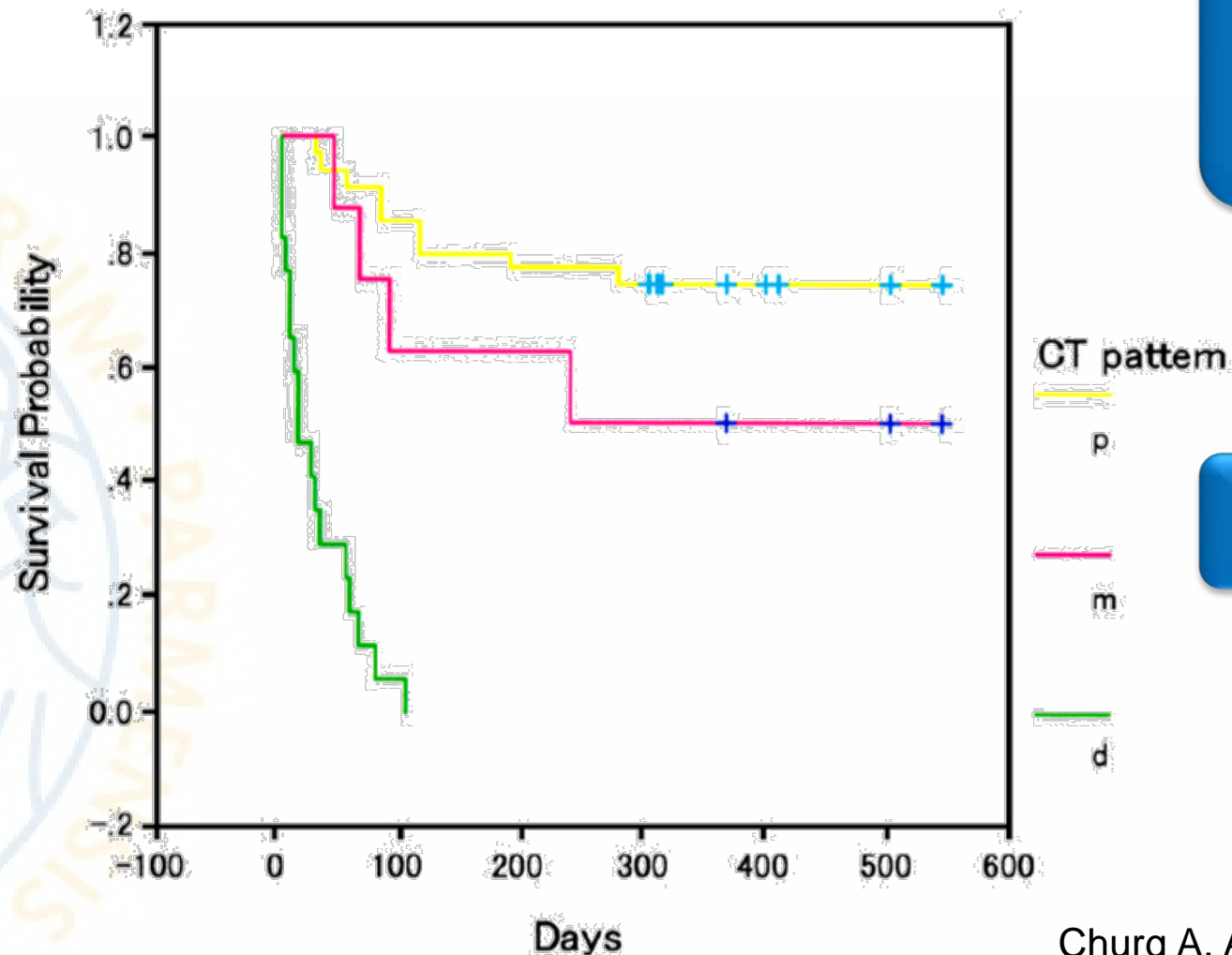
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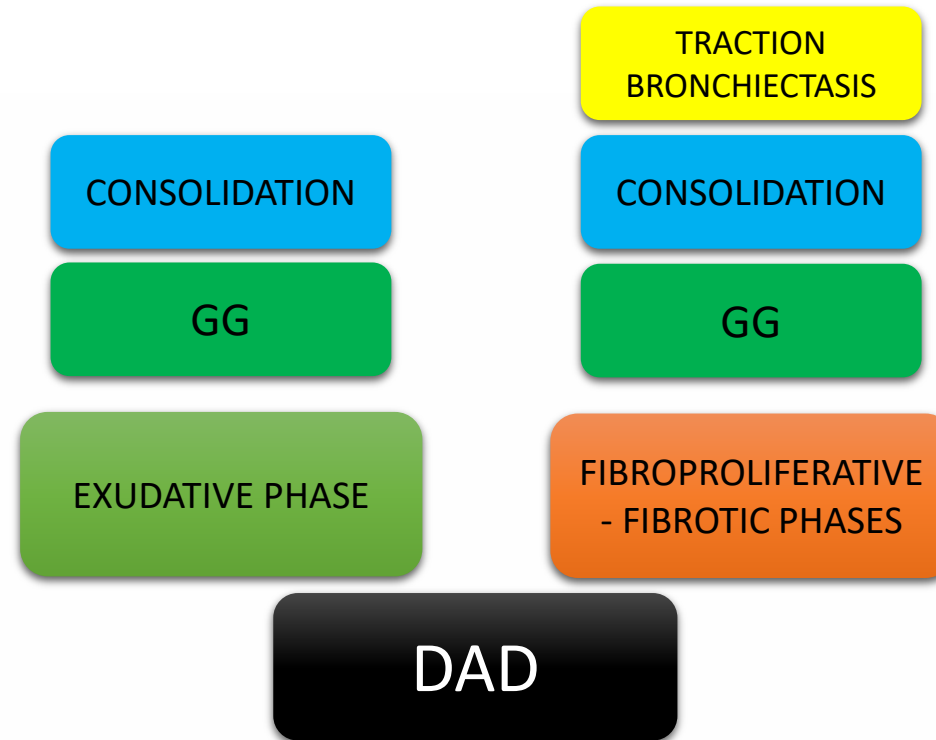
diffuse VS (multifocal & peripheral)  
 $p < 0.001$

multifocal VS peripheral  
 $p = 0.39$

Churg A, Am J Surg Pathol. 2007; 31(2):277-84



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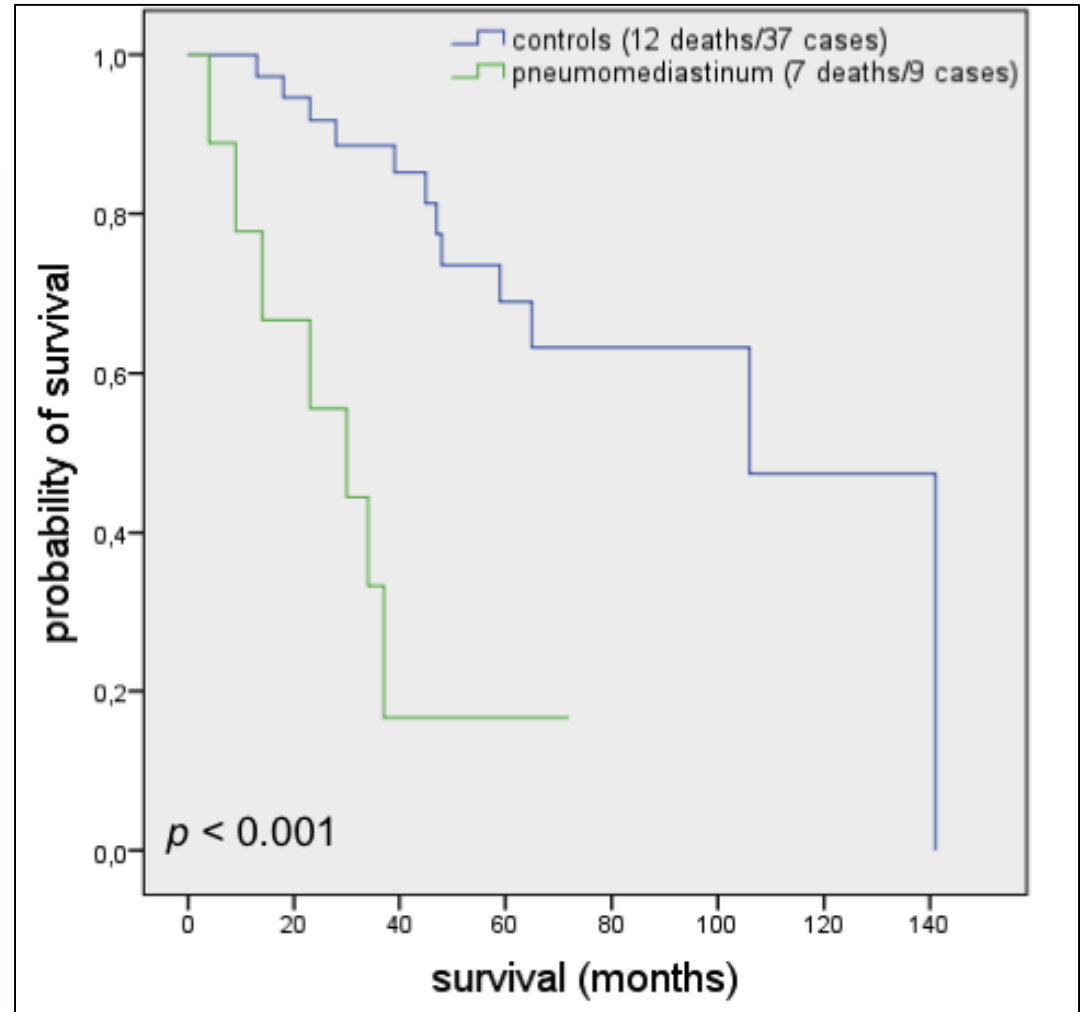
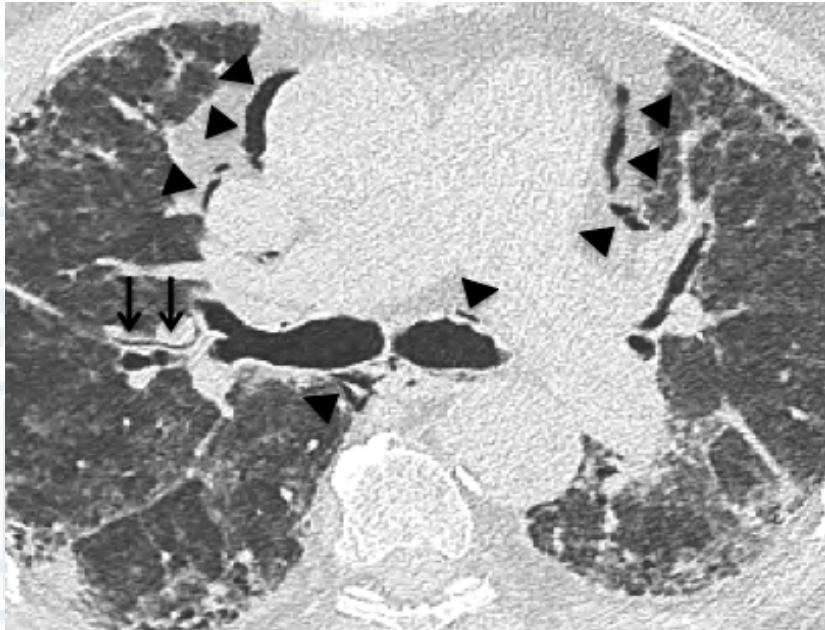


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Ichikado K, Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2002;165(11):1551-6.

# Pneumomediastinum in IPF

- Incidence, 5%
- New onset of dyspnea, 80%
- Potential predictor of mortality



Colombi D et al., Respiration 2016; 92(1):25-33

# Conclusions

- Chest imaging in dyspnea
  - is a main step for diagnosis of acute dyspnea causes (pulmonary embolism, asthma complications, drug toxicity)
  - can steer treatment in chronic dyspnea (COPD)
  - for acute onset in chronic dyspnea has diagnostic and prognostic significance (IPF acute exacerbations)



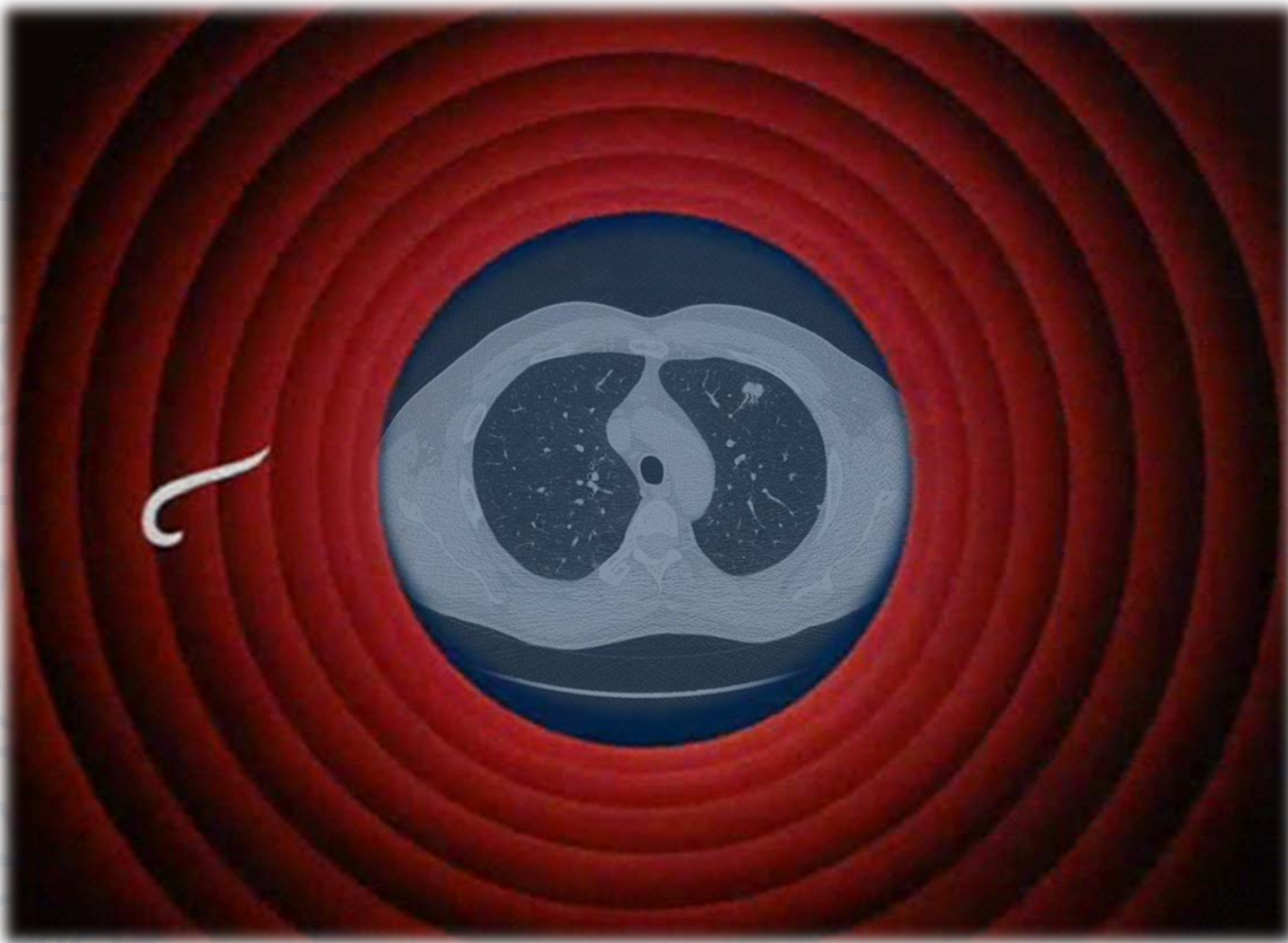
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Da un semplice prelievo di sangue la diagnosi di un tumore al polmone, identificato a uno stadio fino a due anni più precoce di quanto sia possibile utilizzando la Tac spirale, il più avanzato degli strumenti diagnostici oggi a disposizione.

