

16TH INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS SYMPOSIUM
CRITICAL ISSUES
in aortic endografting 2012



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« IMAGING »

« NEW CT PROTOCOLS TO LOWER
RADIATION DOSE & CONTRAST
MEDIA VOLUME BEFORE AND AFTER
AORTIC ENDOGRAFTING »

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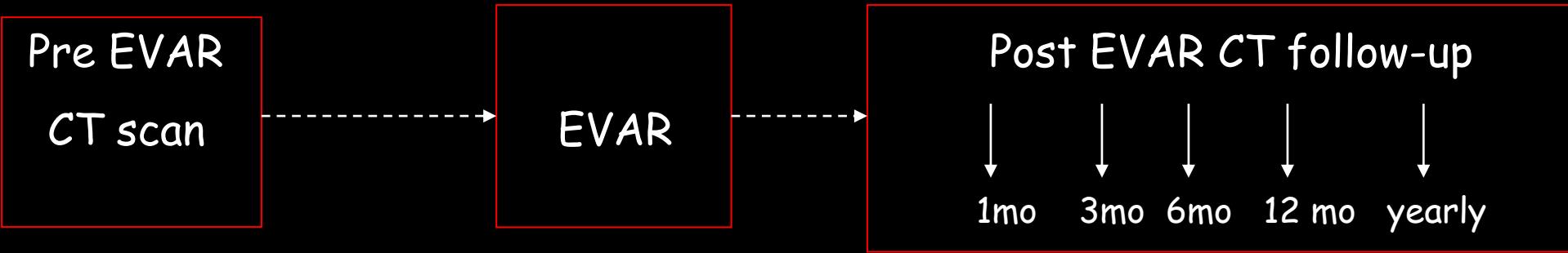
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- Pre & postprocedure CT evaluation :



→ *alternative imaging modalities*
→ *imaging strategies*

- CTA protocol :

- non contrast CT scan -----> 7.3 mSv
- arterial phase -----> 7.3 mSv
- venous phase -----> 3.5 mSv

White & Mc Donald CardioVasc Surg 2010

→ *reduced dose per acquisition*
→ *reduced number of CT scans requested*

REDUCED DOSE PER SCAN

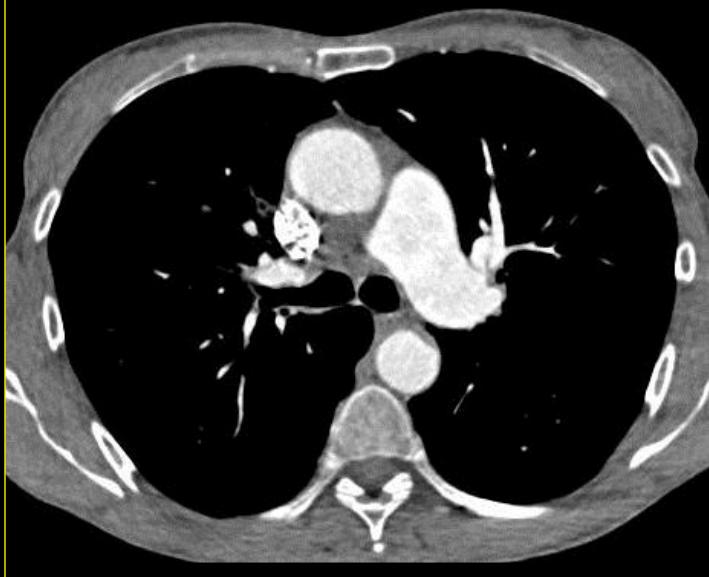
% CT equipment

- Standard MDCT scanners
- Latest generations of CT scanners

STANDARD MDCT EQUIPMENTS

4, 16, 64-slice MDCT scanners

T0 : 120 kV



DLP: 95 mGy.cm

T1 : 80 kV



DLP: 38 mGy.cm

Dual-source CT Angiography in Aortic Stent Grafting:

An in vitro Aorta Phantom Study of Image Noise and Radiation Dose

Zhonghua Sun, PhD, Curtise Ng, PhD

Acad Radiol 2010; 17:884–893

→ low-dose scans (100 kV): 30% dose reduction

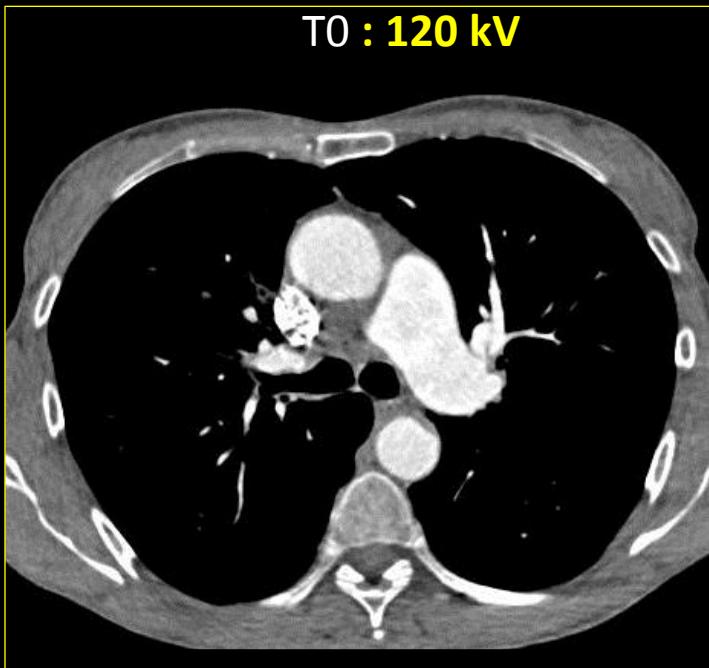
Low-Dose Multidetector CT Angiography in the Evaluation of Infrarenal Aorta and Peripheral Arterial Occlusive Disease¹

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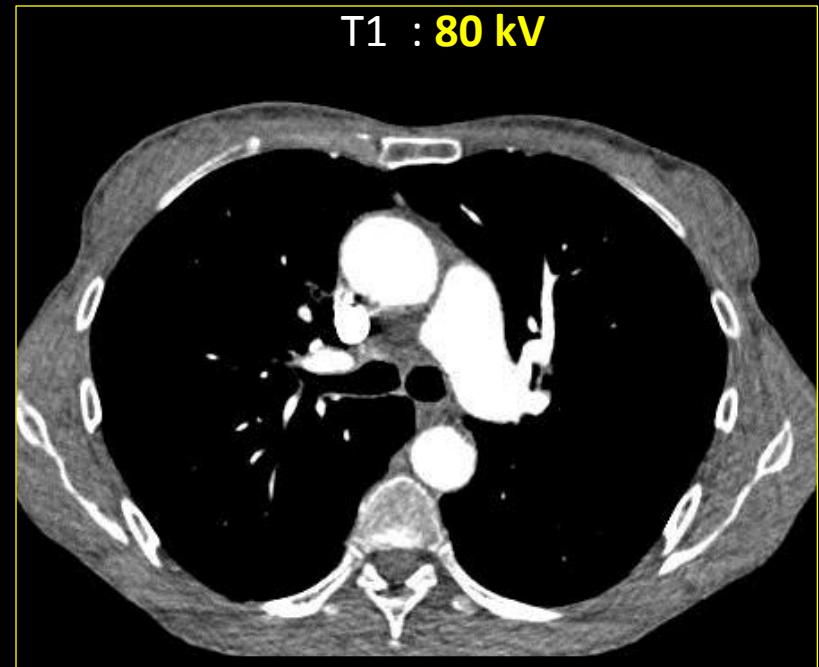
Radiology 2012; 263:287–298

→ low-dose scans (80kV): 50% dose reduction

- Kilovoltage reduction + + + → dose reduction
→ reduced iodine concentration



DLP: 95 mGy.cm



DLP: 38 mGy.cm



« Ultra low-dose » CT scan
Grainy appearance
(« *image noise* »)



« Ultra low-dose » CT scan
without noise

CHEST COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY USING ITERATIVE RECONSTRUCTION VS FILTERED BACK PROJECTION (Part 1): EVALUATION OF IMAGE NOISE REDUCTION IN 32 PATIENTS

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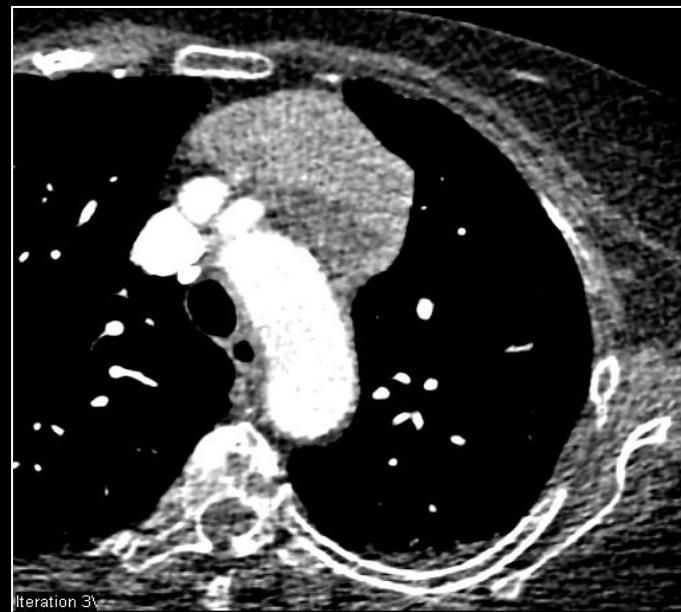
Eur Radiol 2010

Standard reconstruction
(filtered back-projection)



37.6 HU

Iterative reconstruction (IRIS)
(3 iterations)



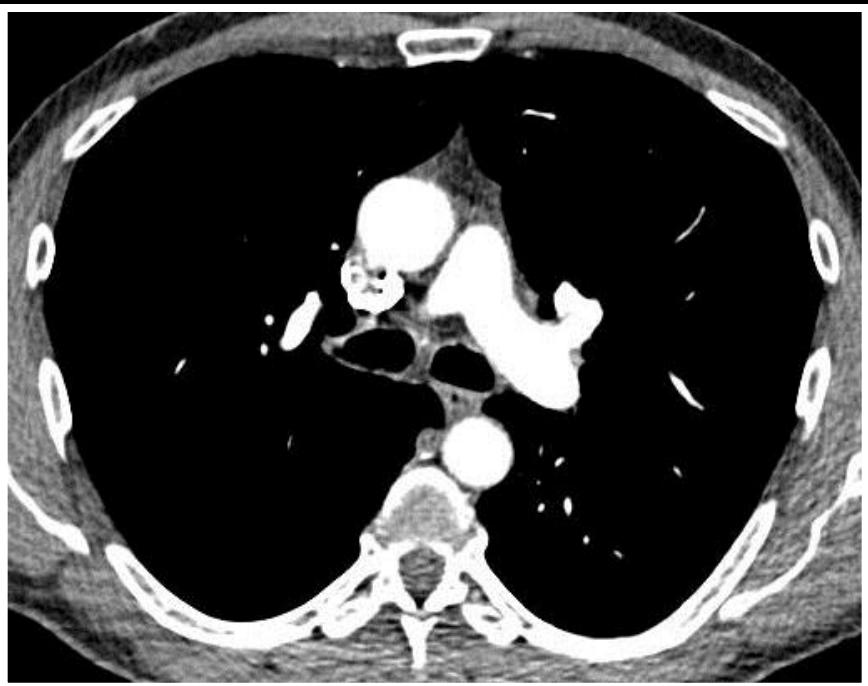
27 HU (-30%)

Iterative reconstruction (IRIS)
(5 iterations)

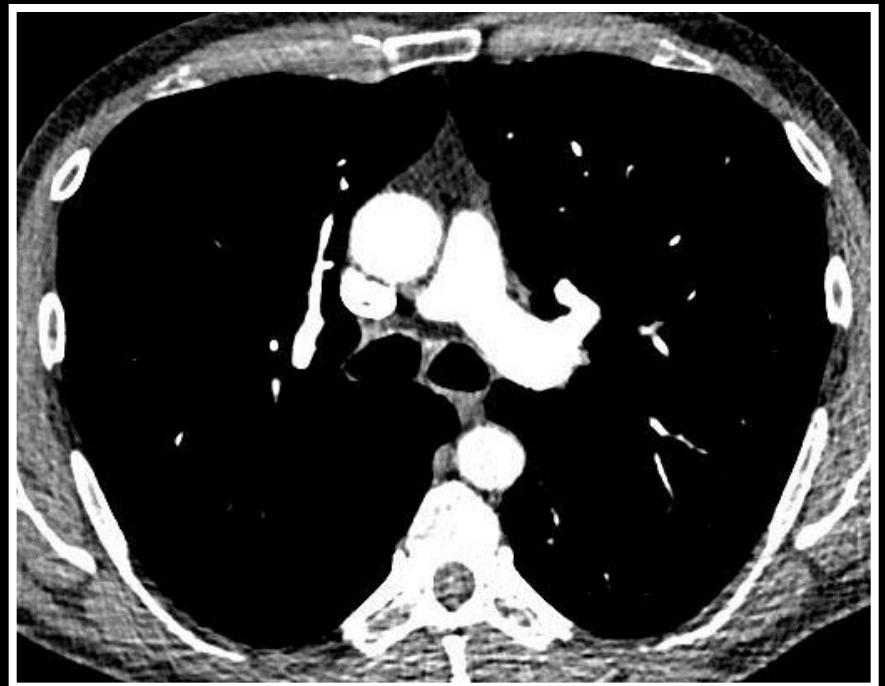


21HU (-50%)

Normal BMI (22 kg/m^2)

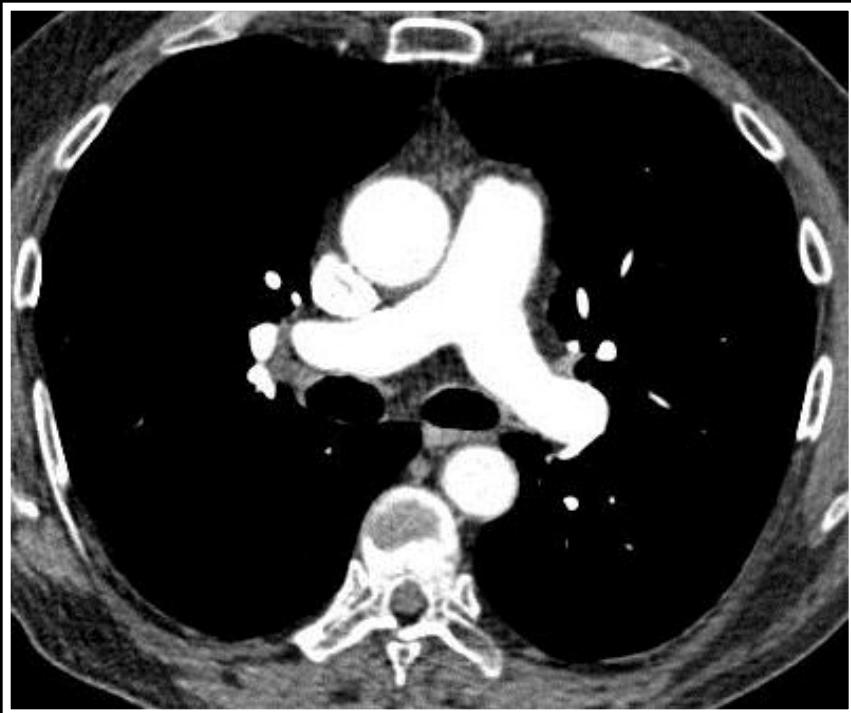


T1:
Standard dose, FBP
100 kVp

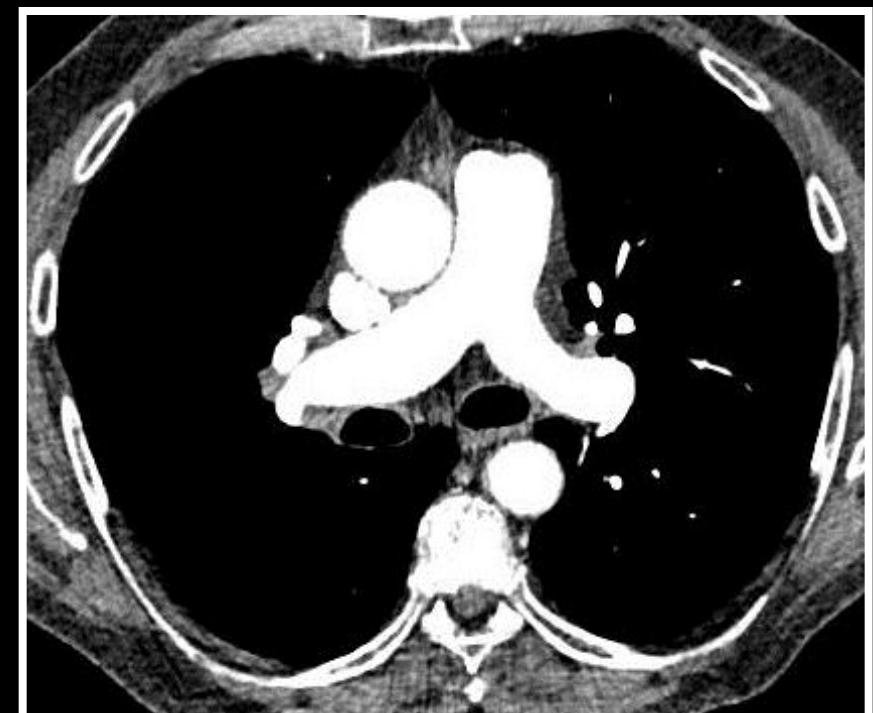


T2 :
« Ultra low-dose », iterative reconstruction
80 kVp

Overweight patient (25.2 kg/m^2)

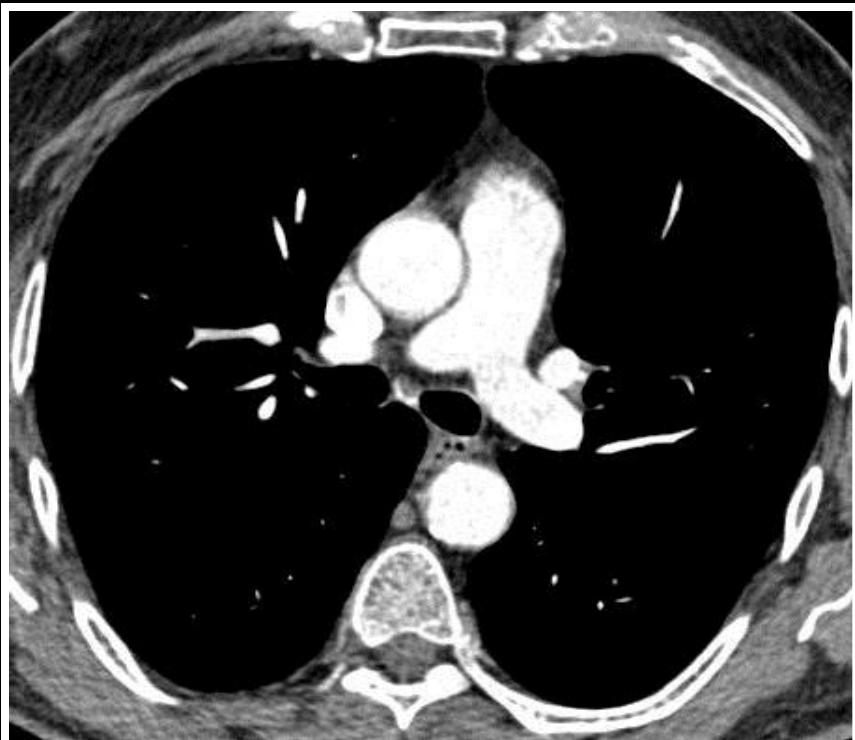


T1:
Standard dose, FBP
120 kVp



T2:
« Ultra low-dose », iterative reconstruction
100 kVp

Obese patient (34.5 kg/m^2)



T1:
Standard dose, FBP
120 kVp



T2:
« Ultra low-dose, iterative reconstruction
100 kVp

- **50% dose reduction:** SAFIRE (*product of Siemens Healthcare*)
Radiology 2012 (in press)
- **30% dose reduction:** ASIR (*product of GE Healthcare*)

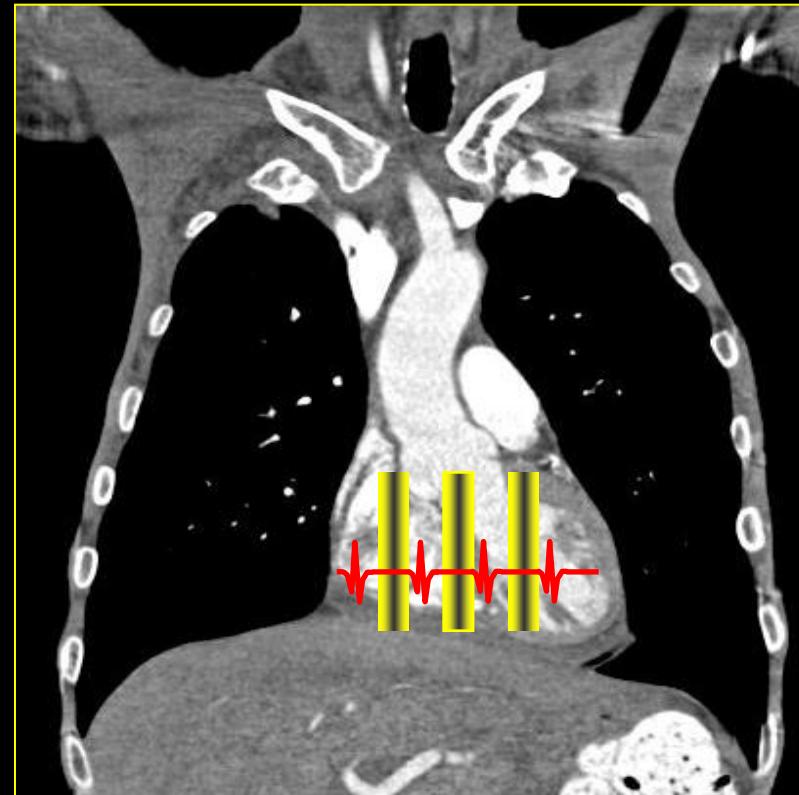
Impact of Adaptive Statistical Iterative Reconstruction (ASIR) on Radiation Dose and Image Quality in Aortic Dissection Studies: A Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis

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AJR 2011; 196:W336–W340

- Reduced iodine concentration

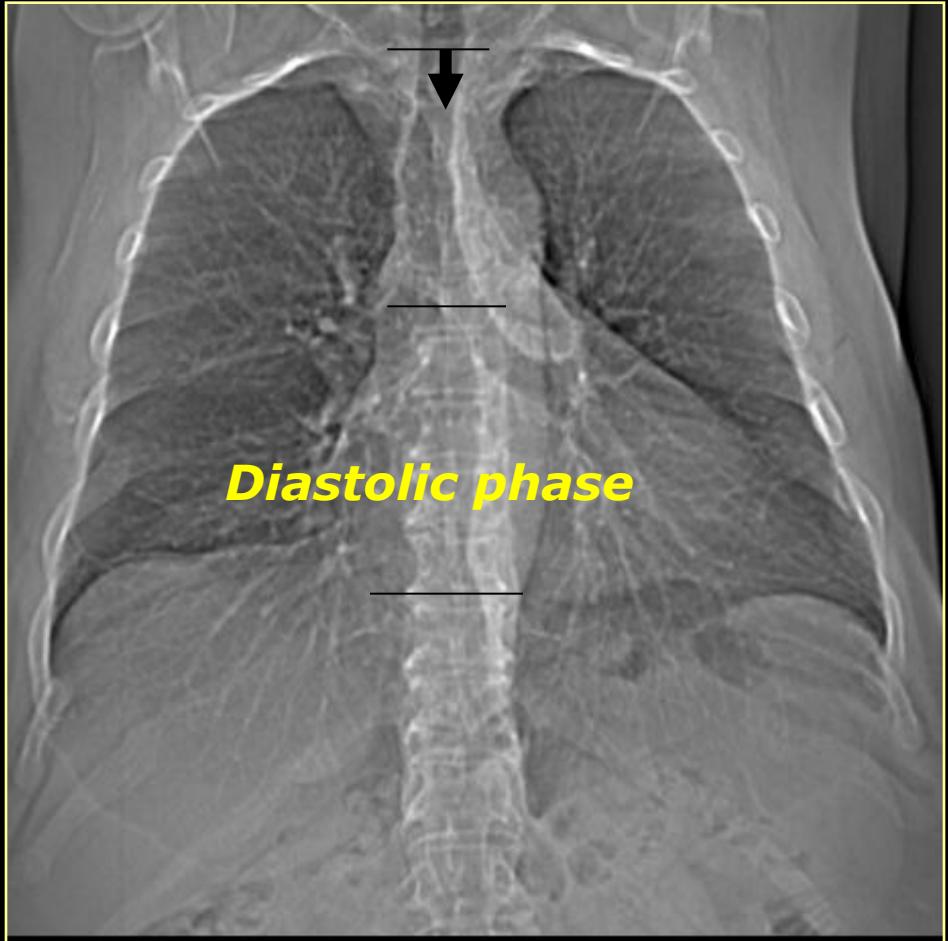
THORACIC AORTA



Retrospective ECG gating

« Retrospective » ECG gating

« Prospective » ECG gating



Acquisition time : 0.68 s



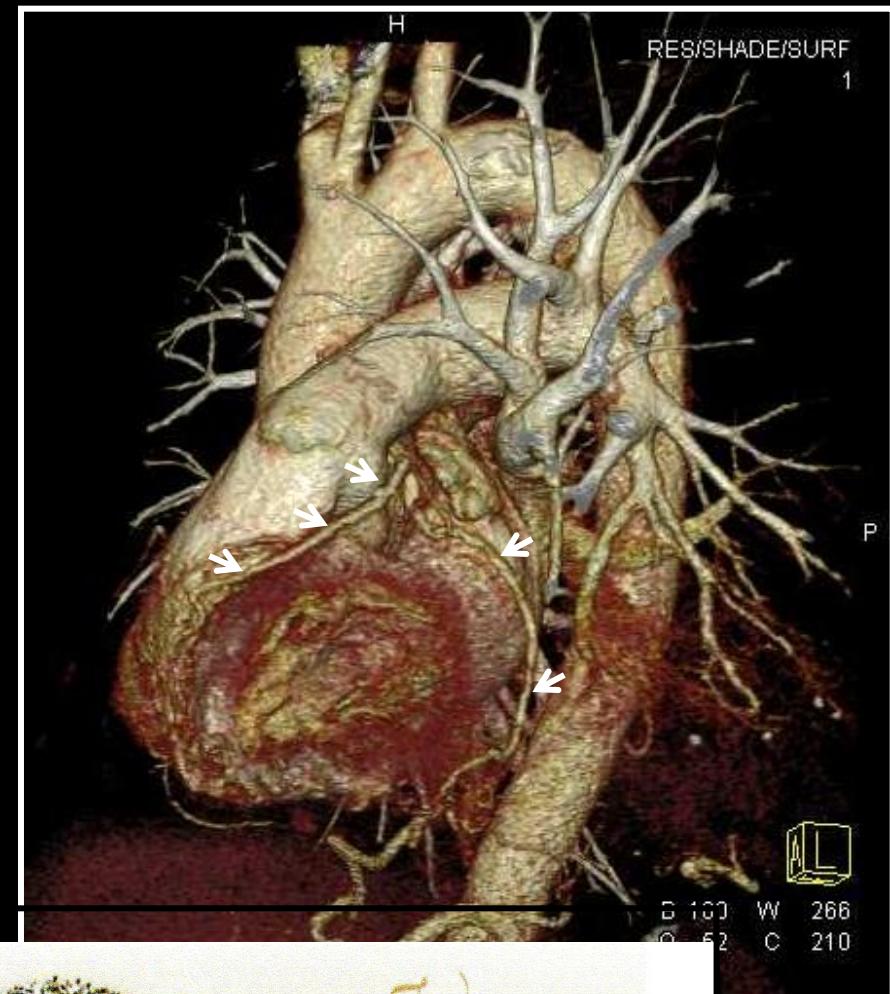
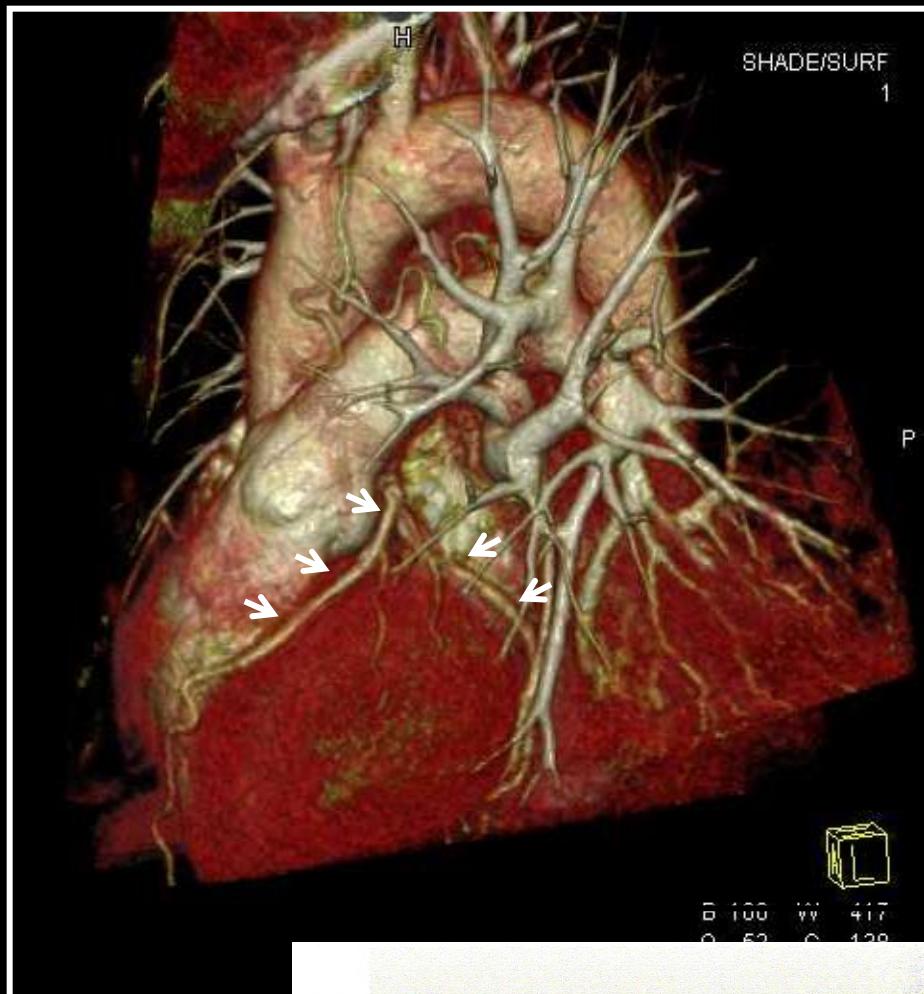
RADIATION DOSE

Entire chest CT examination

(Dose-Length-Product)

- **Retrospective ECG-gated CTA: # 500 mGy.cm**

- **Prospective ECG-gated CTA: # 150 mGy.cm**



ECR 2011



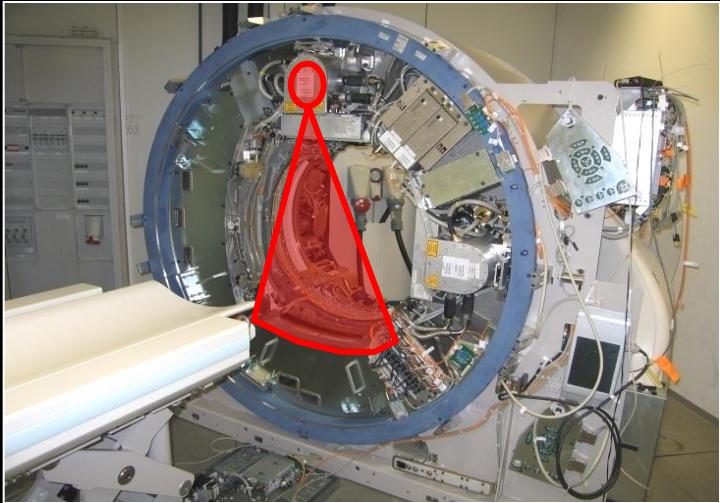
Vienna
March 3-7

Presentation Title: Dual-source nongated CT angiography of the chest: impact of high temporal resolution and high pitch mode on cardiogenic motion artefacts

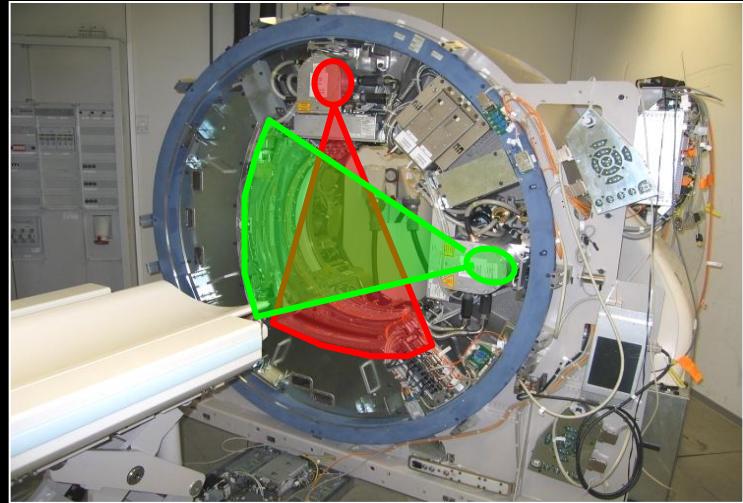
Presentation Number: B-757

Author Block: C. Darchis, N. Tacelli, J.-B. Faivre, T. Santangelo, M. Remy-Jardin, J. Remy; *Lille/FR*
(The presenting author is underlined.)

TEMPORAL RESOLUTION



Temporal resolution: **rot time /2**



Temporal resolution: **rot time/4**

	Philips	Toshiba	Siemens	GE
<i>collimation</i>	128² x 0.62mm	320 x 0.5 mm	2 x 64² x 0.6mm	64 x 0.625mm
<i>coverage</i>	80 mm	160 mm	38 mm	40 mm
<i>rotation time</i>	330 ms	350 ms	280 ms	350 ms
temp resol	165 ms	175 ms	75 ms	175 ms

- REDUCED DOSE PER CT SCAN
- REDUCED NB OF ACQUISITIONS

ACQUISITIONS

RECONSTRUCTIONS



True non
contrast
scan

Arterial
phase

Venous
phase

*Rozental Radiology 2003
Golzarian Eur Radiol 2006*



True non
contrast
scans

Venous
phase

*Macari Radiology 2006
Soltzman Radiology 2008*



Virtual
NC
scans

Venous
phase

Dual-energy CT

*Chandarama 2008
Sommer 2010
Ascenti 2011*

- **Technological advances in MDCT** → dual-source CT (*Siemens*)
- **Acquisition of CT data**
 - at the same energy → *dual-source scanning*
 - at 2 distinct tube voltage settings during a single acquisition → *dual-energy (DE) imaging*

- **Alternative approaches developed by other manufacturers**

multiple kV datasets using a single system

 - **rapid kV switching** (*GE*)
 - **energy-discriminating detectors** (*Philips*)

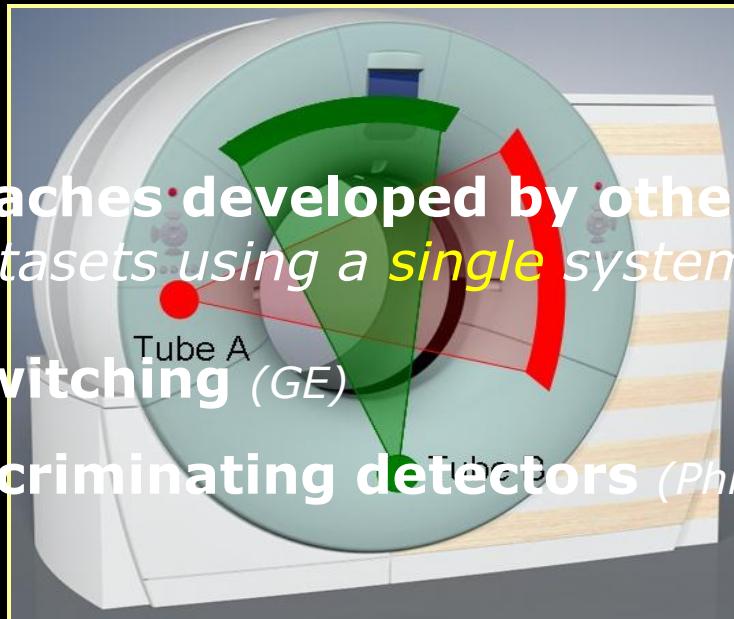
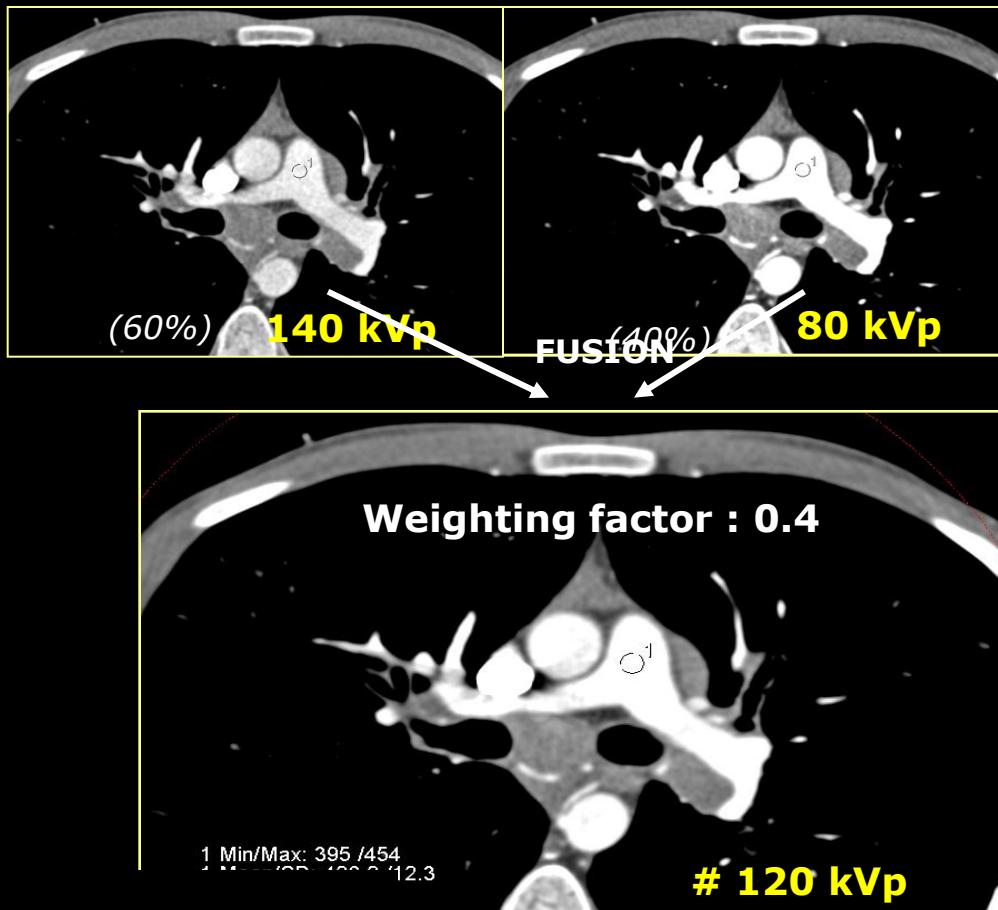


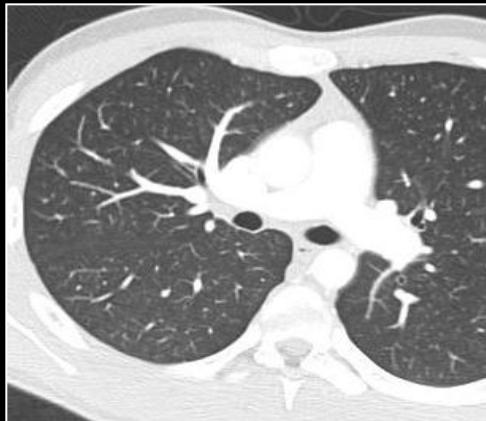
IMAGE FUSION IN DUAL ENERGY



Lower noise with 140 kVp. Better contrast with 80 kVp.

Behrendt et al. Invest. Radiol. 2009; 44: 1-6

DIAGNOSTIC SCANS

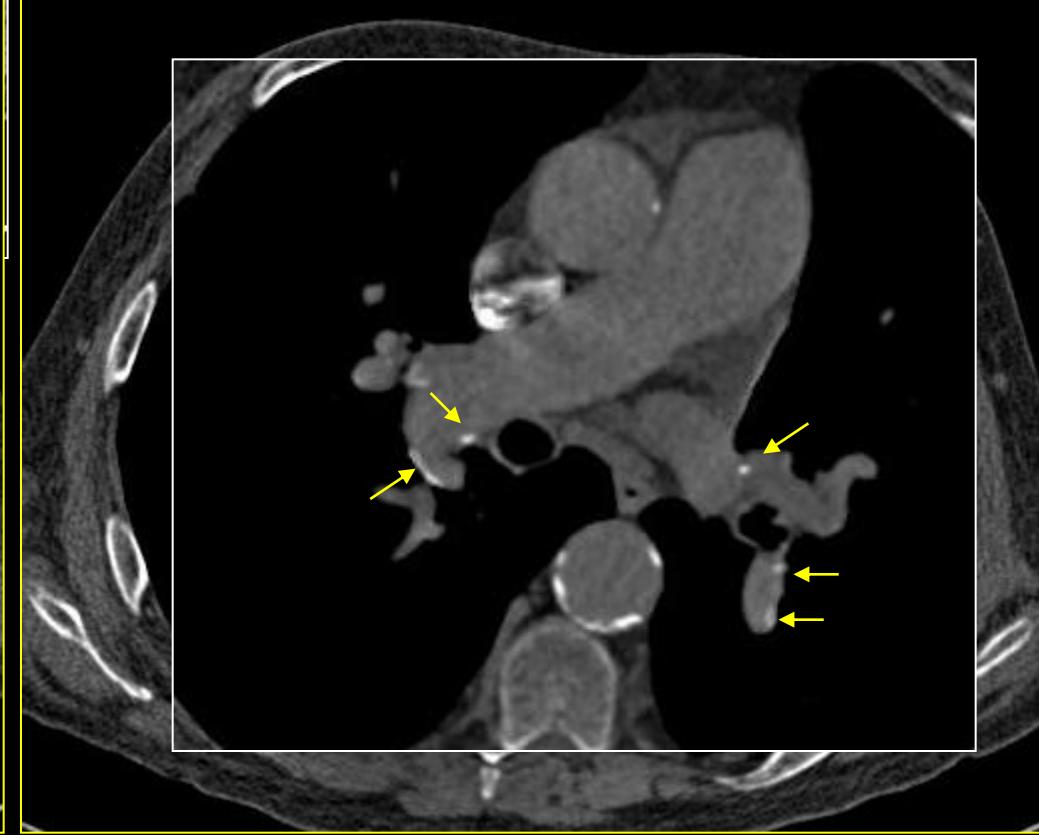
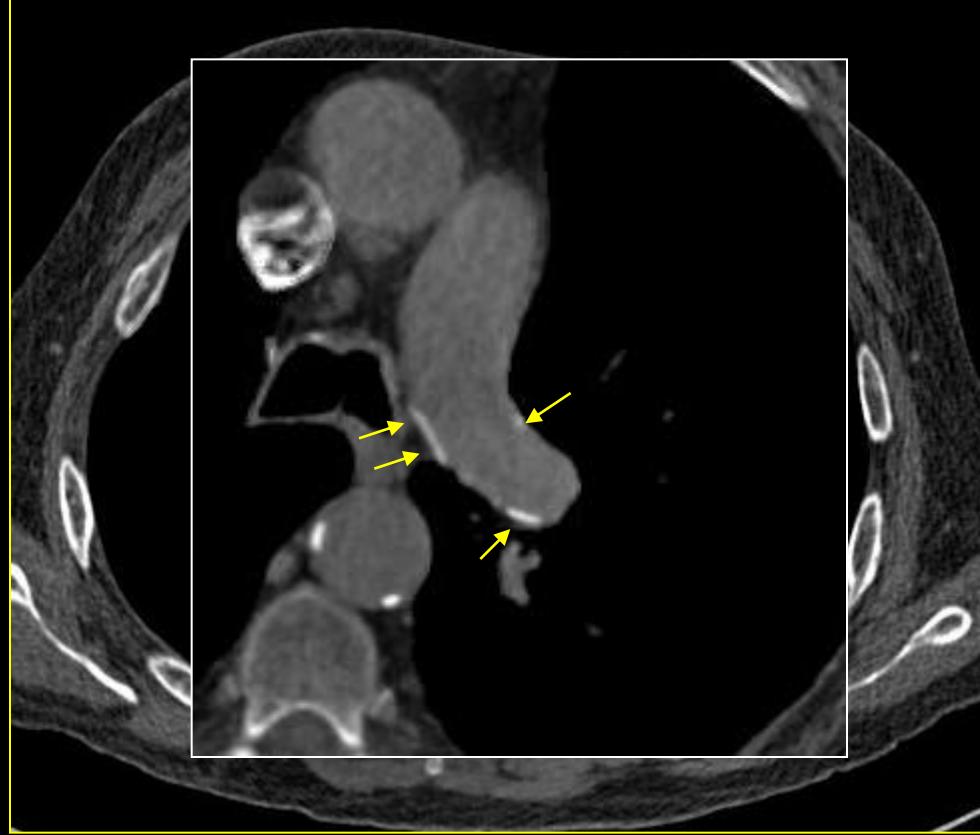
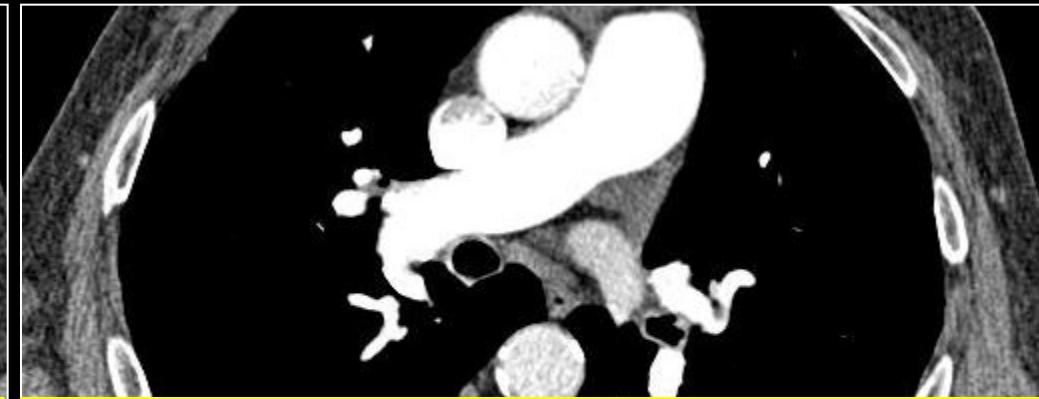
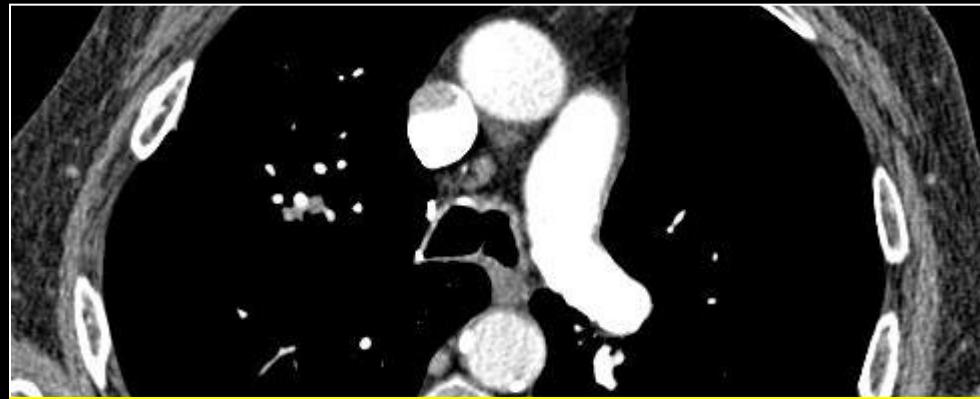


Lung images



Mediastinal images





Abdominal Aorta: Evaluation with Dual-Source Dual-Energy Multidetector CT after Endovascular Repair of Aneurysms—Initial Observations¹

Radiology 2008; 249:692–700

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Image Quality of Virtual Noncontrast Images Derived from Dual-energy CT Angiography after Endovascular Aneurysm Repair

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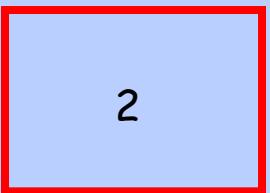
J Vasc Interv Radiol 2010; 21:315–321

Dual-Energy CT for Detection of Endoleaks After Endovascular Abdominal Aneurysm Repair: Usefulness of Colored Iodine Overlay

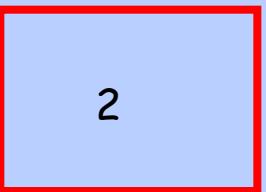
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AJR 2011; 196:1408–1414

ACQUISITIONS



→ Single-source CT



→ Single-source CT



→ Dual-energy CT

↓ 60%

↓ 30-40%

VIRTUAL MONOCHROMATIC SPECTRAL (VMS) IMAGING

- **Experimental study** *Matsumoto et al Radiology 2011*
 - *fast kV switching*
 - *keV → best image quality ?*
 - *VMS imaging at # 70 keV:* - *lower image noise*
- *higher CNR*
- *120 kVp CT for a given radiation dose*
- **Clinical study** *Delsalle et al (Radiology 2012, in press)*
 - *dual-source CT (140 kVp; 80 kVp) (24% contrast agent)*
 - *best image quality at 60 keV (PAs, PVs & aorta) & 100 keV (syst veins)*

The key anatomical structures : adequately analyzed by the reading of two series of mediastinal images generated from the same acquisition.

- Standard CT angiogram

- High-temporal resolution CTA

- Dual - energy CTA

