



IPF AND LUNG CANCER

Distinct horns of the same devil

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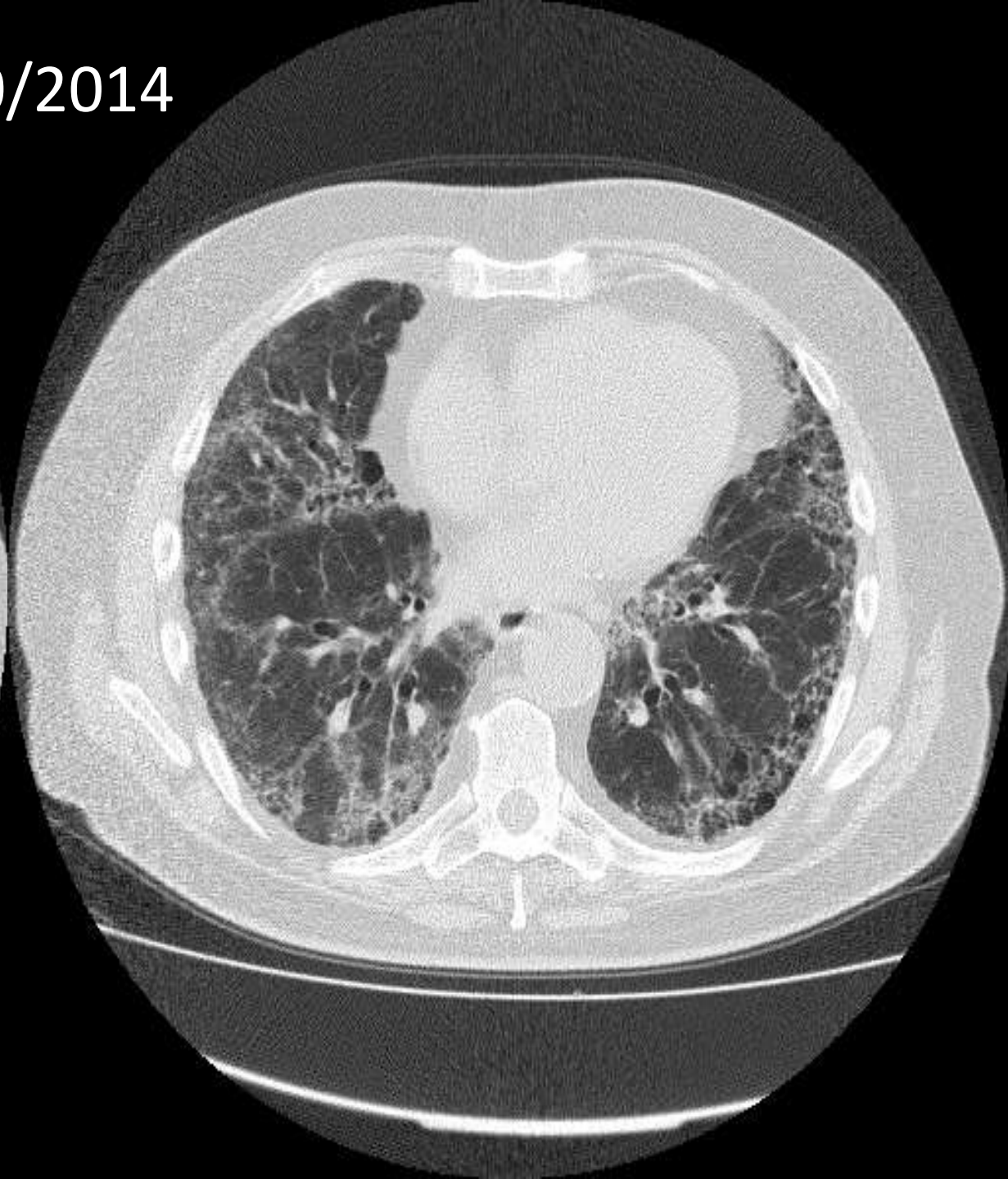
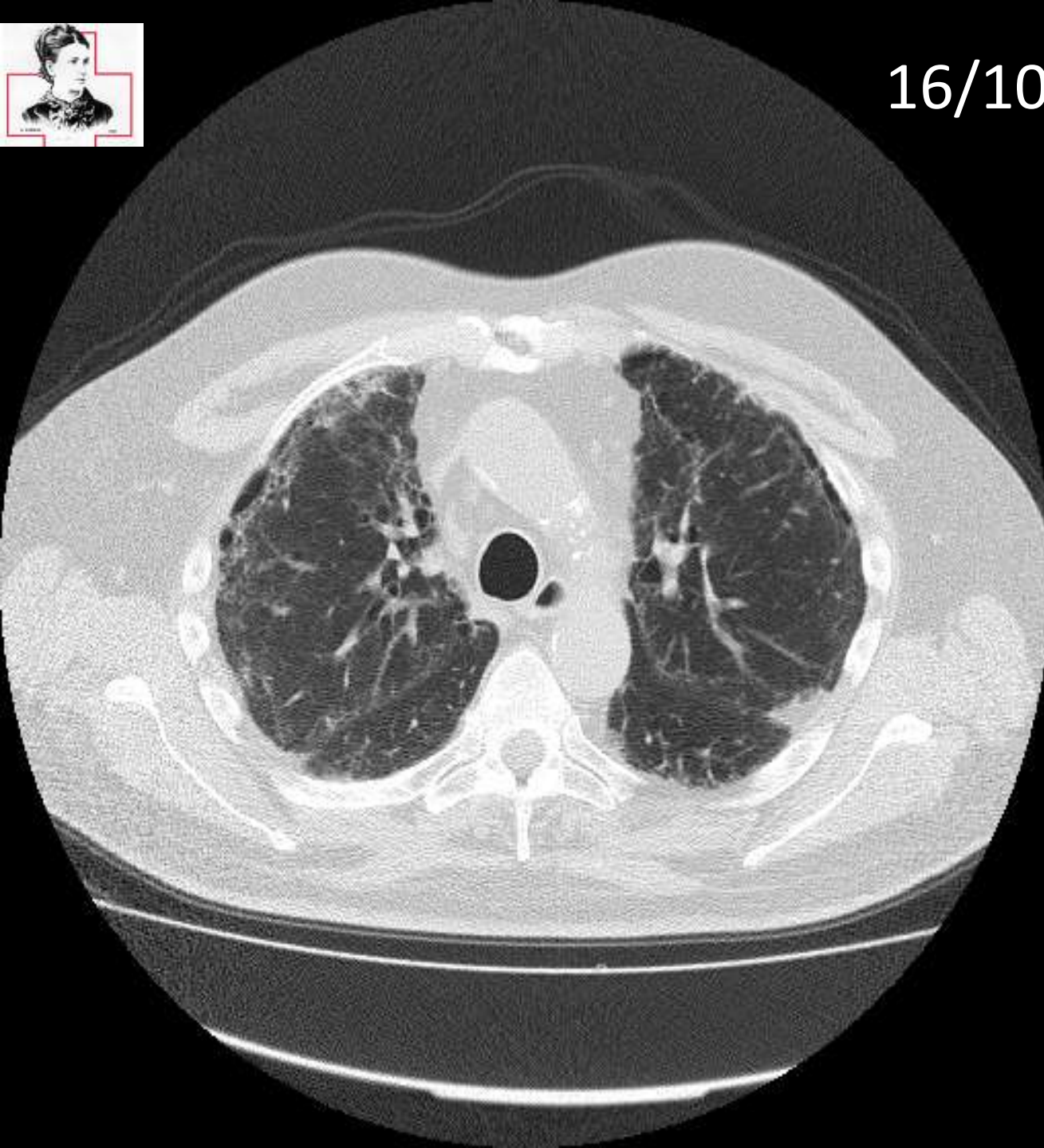
First case



- **78-yrs old, male, ex-smoker (70 p/yrs), DOE (mMRC II/IV)**
- **GERD symptoms**
- **No familial Hx/No exposure**
- **Medical Hx: Arterial hypertension**
- **No Raynaud, arthralgias or myalgias,**
- **+ Velcro type crackles: + clubbing**
- **Negative immunologic profile**
- **FVC: 56%pred, TIF: 81, TLC: 52% pred, DLCO: 48% pred**
- **6MWD: 440 m, 96% - 84%**
- **ECHO: RVSP: 28mmHg**
- **BAL: 88% MΦ, 8%L, 2% Eos, 2% Polys**

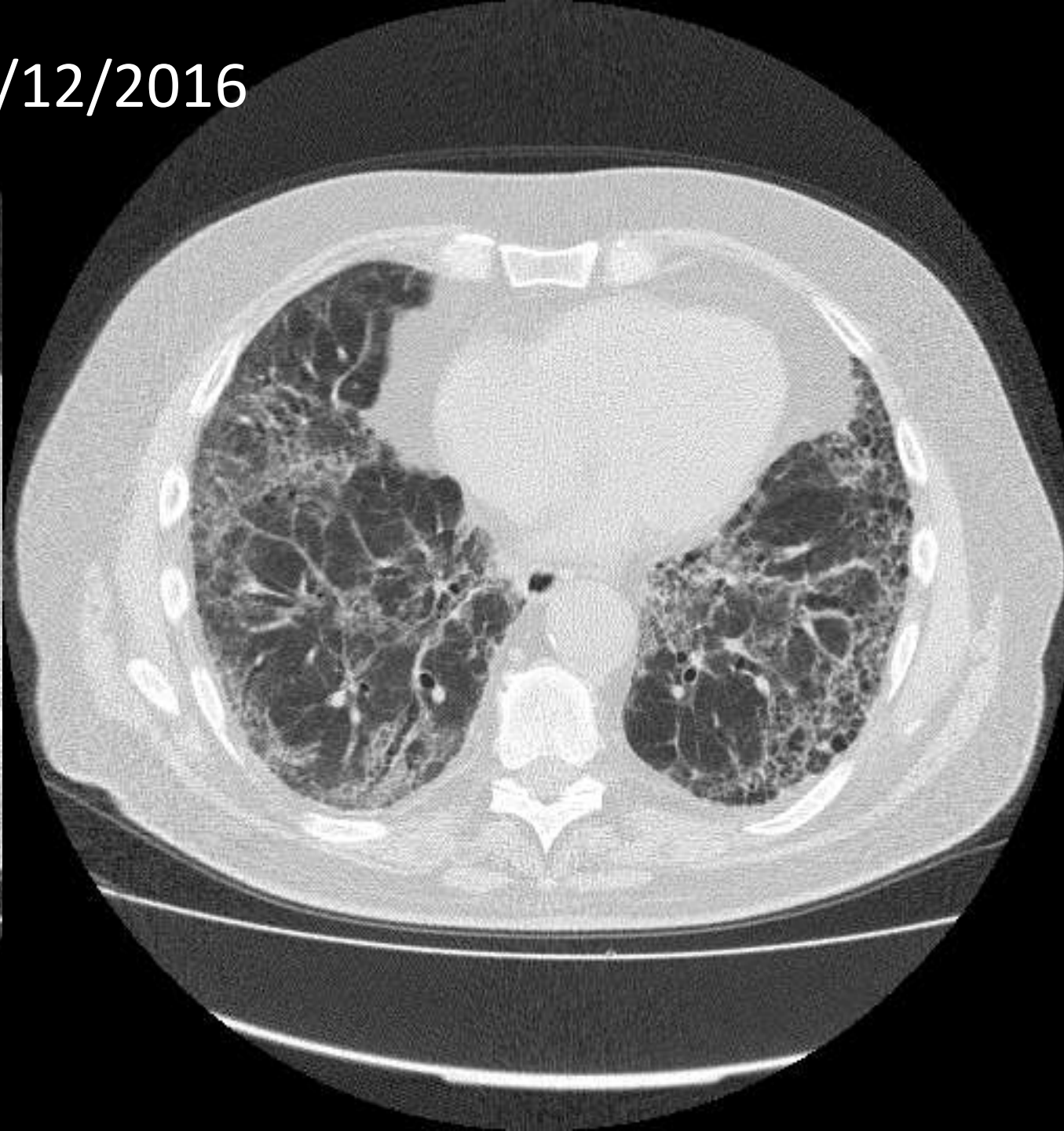
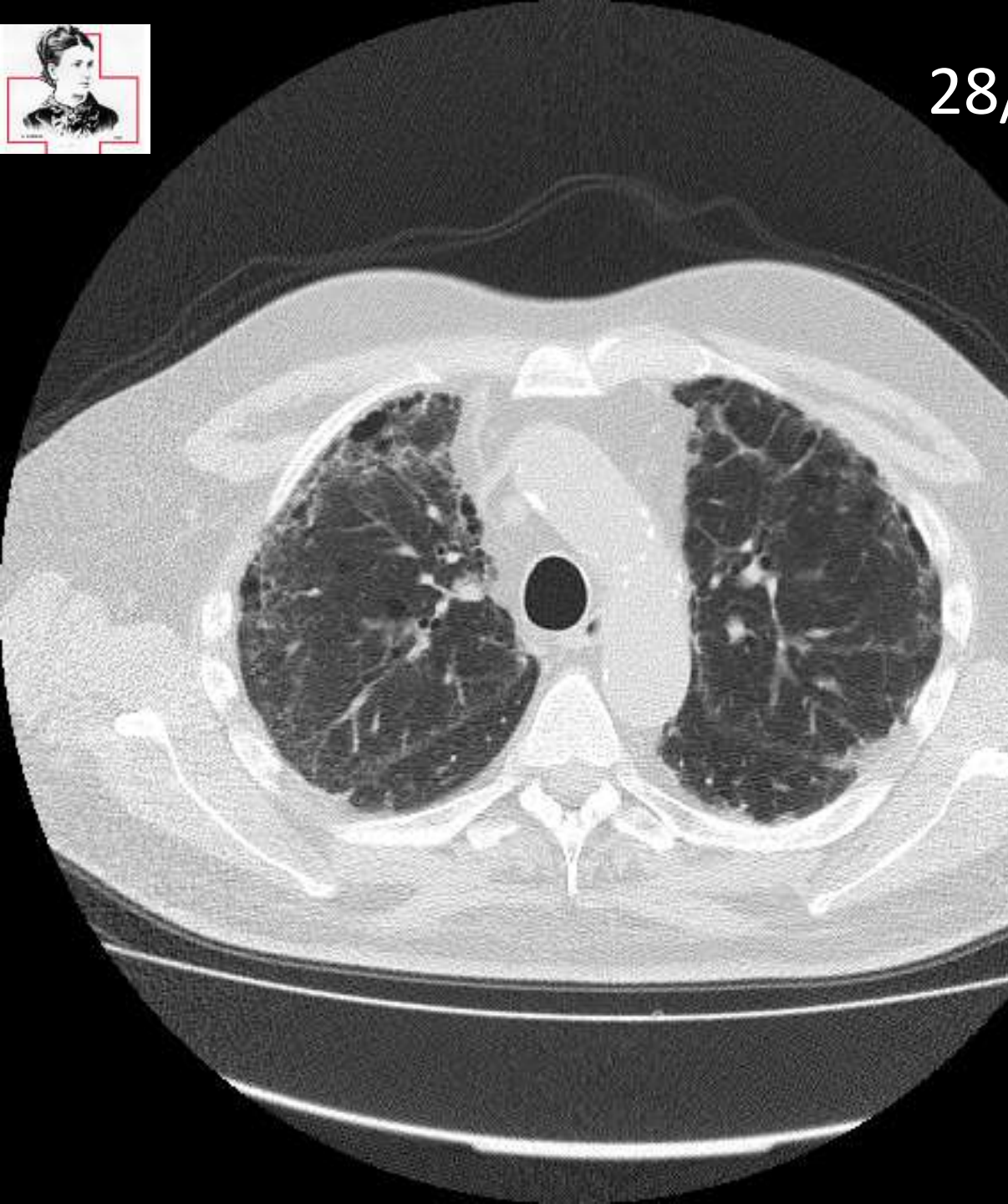


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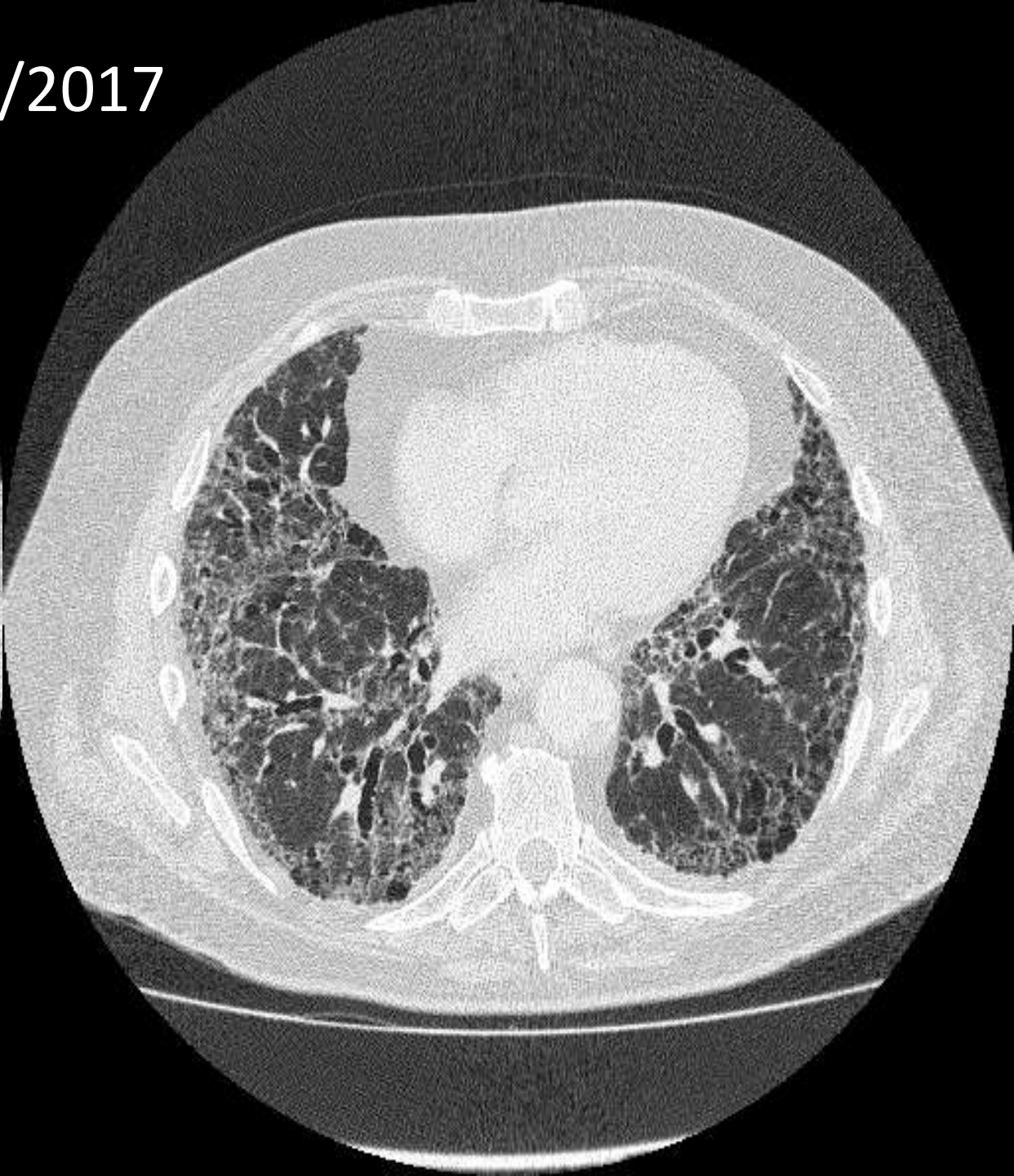
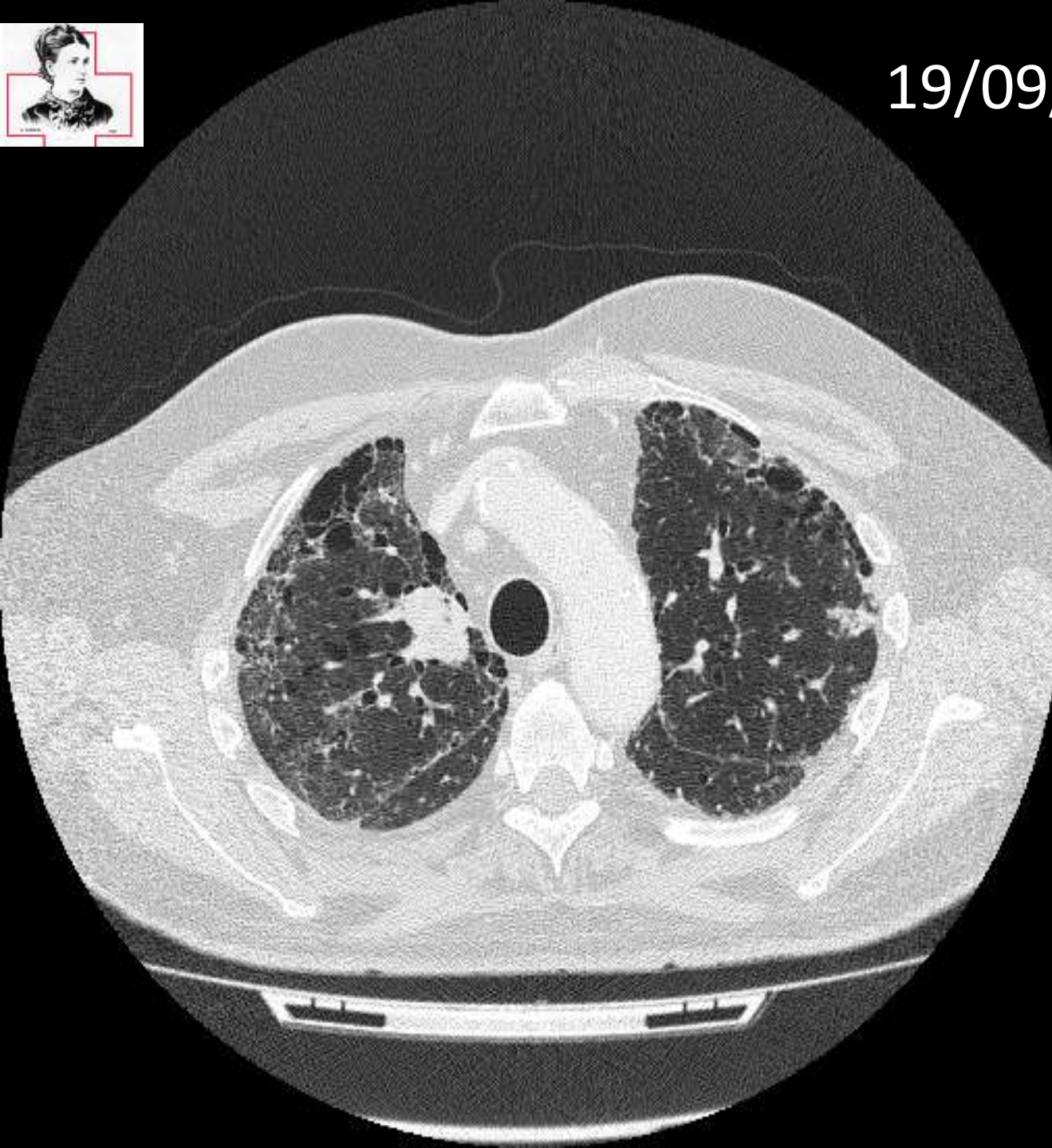


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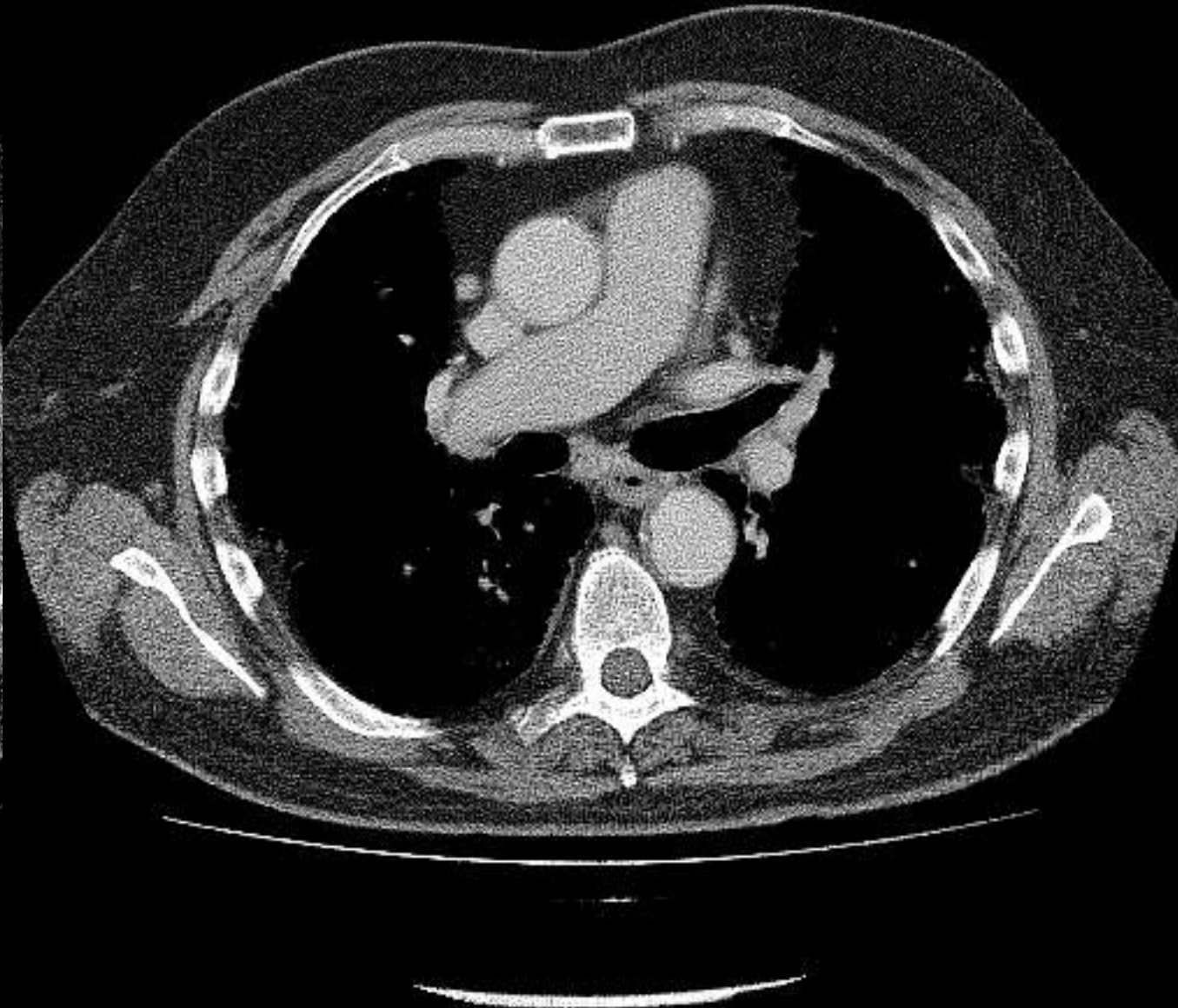
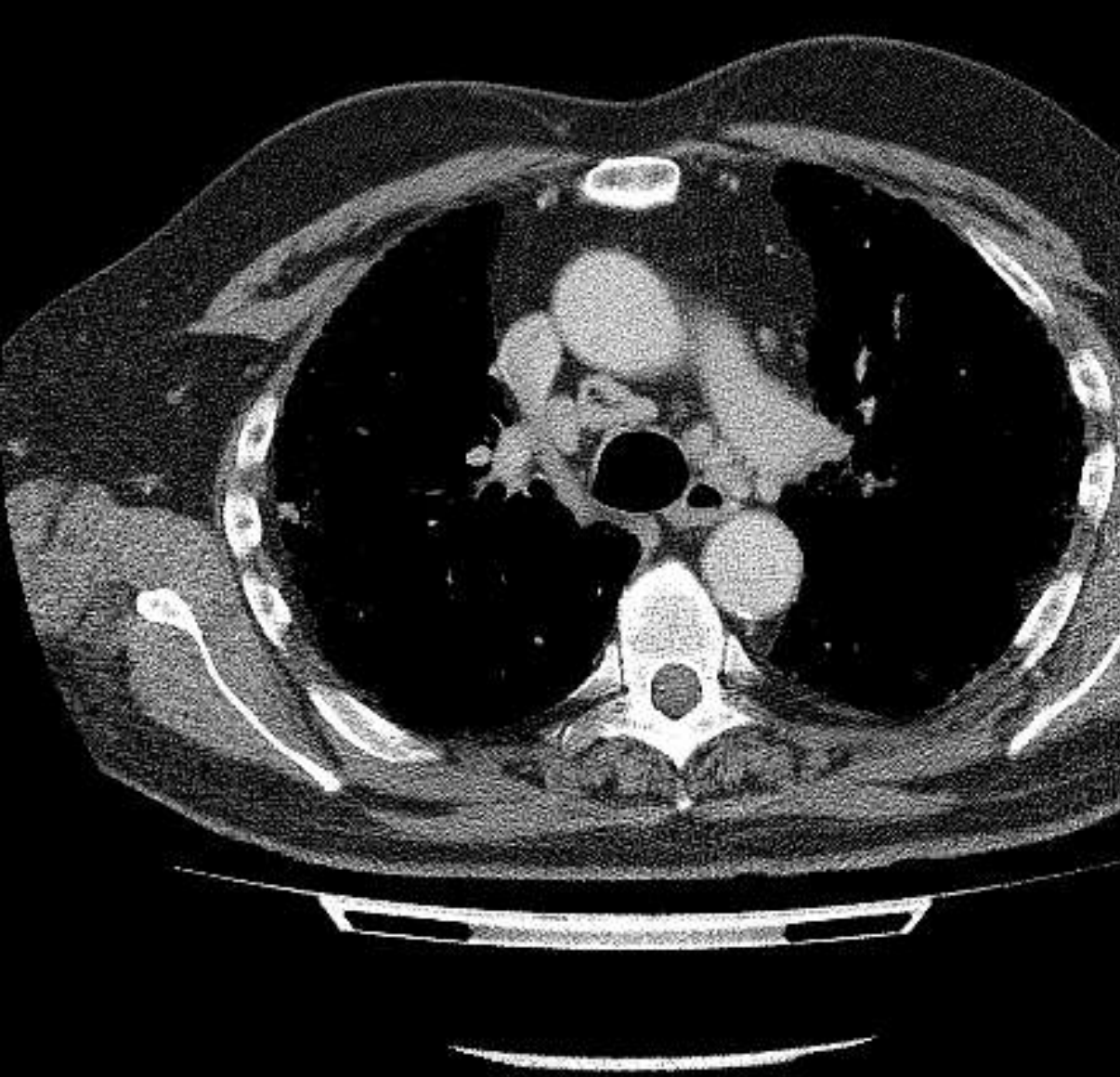


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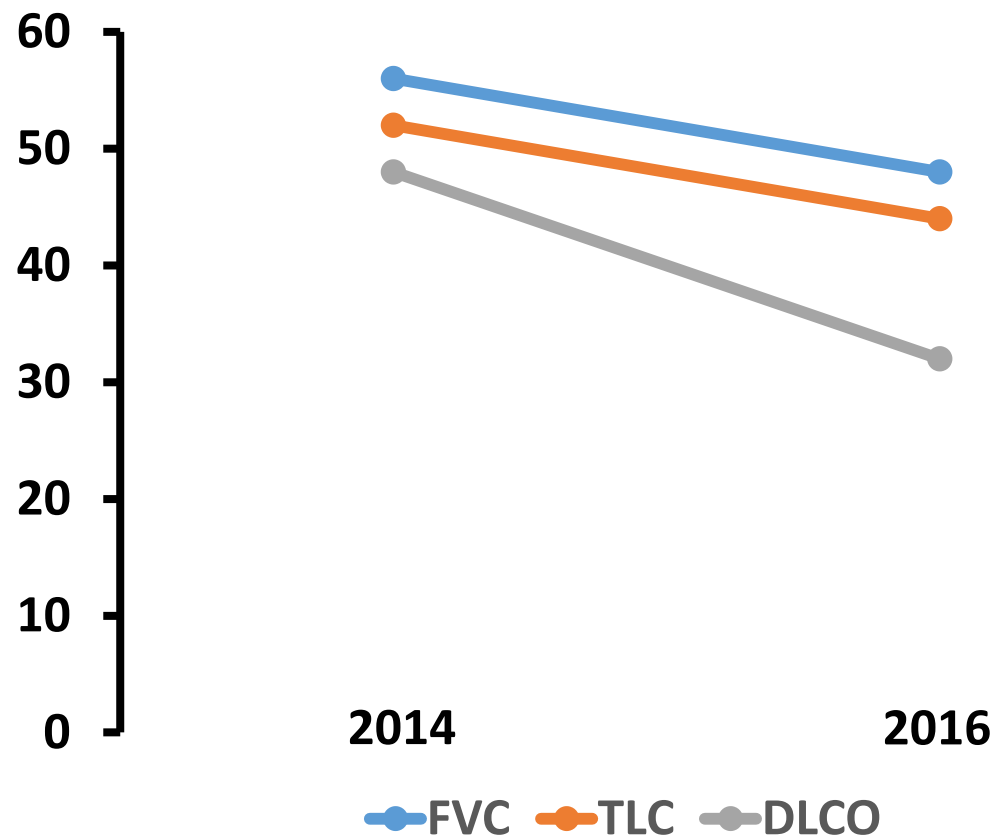


EBUS: Mass, 4R, 7 (+): SQUAMOUS – T2bN2M0-IIIA





Management



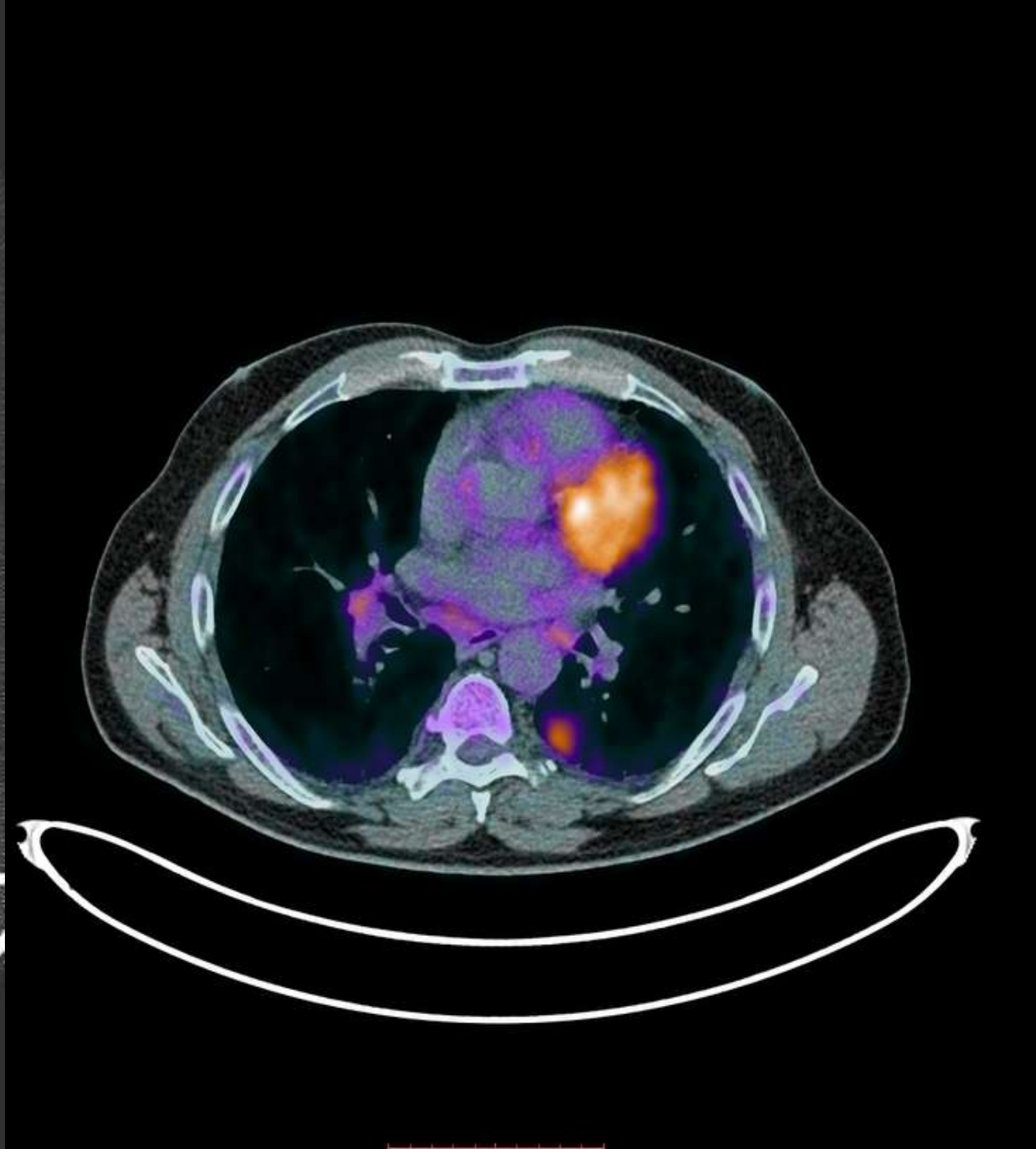
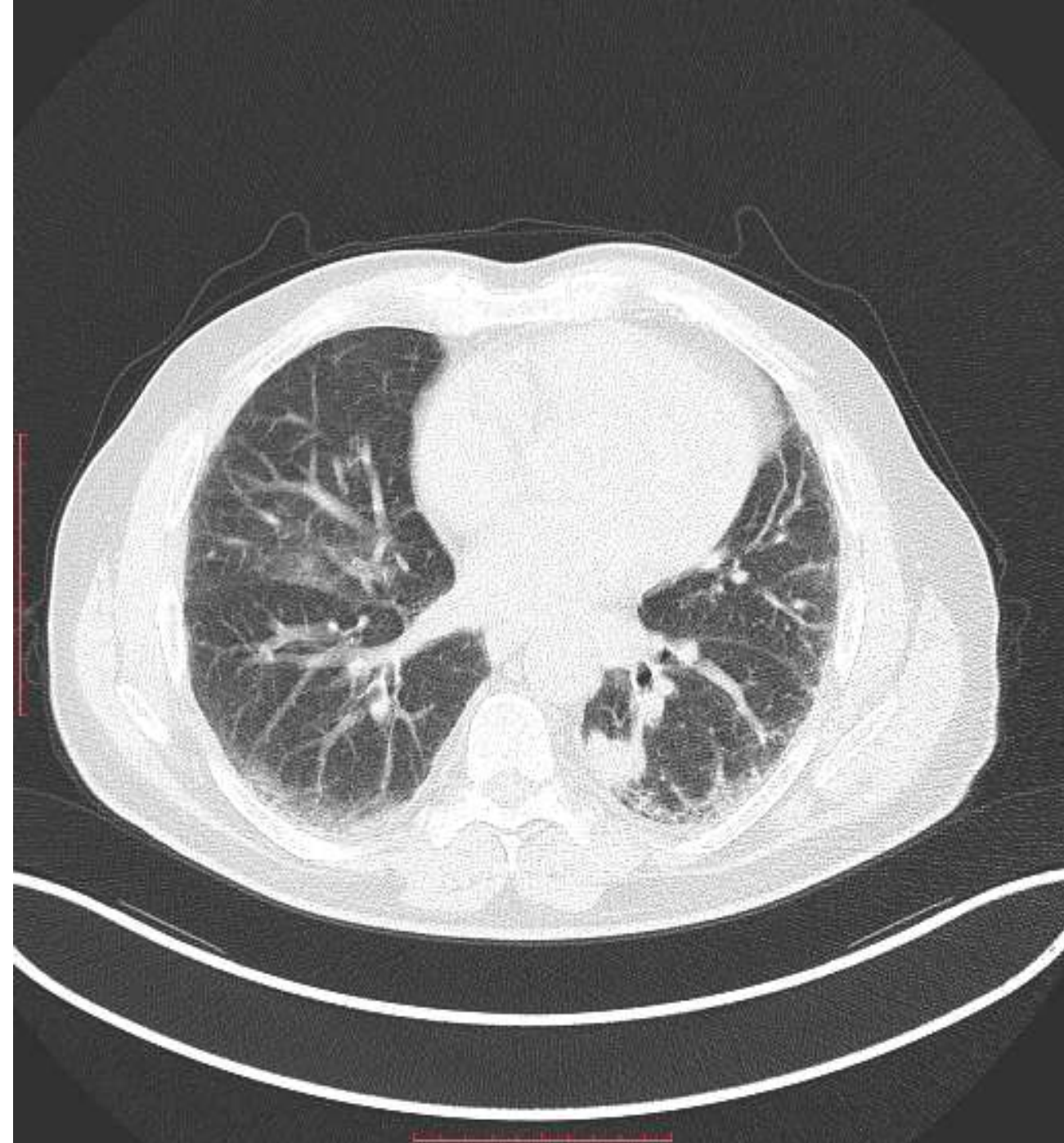
- Functional deterioration
- Severe disease status
- Male gender
- IIIA-borderline
- 80 yrs
 - Nintedanib +CARBOPLATIN+
PACLITAXEL



Second case

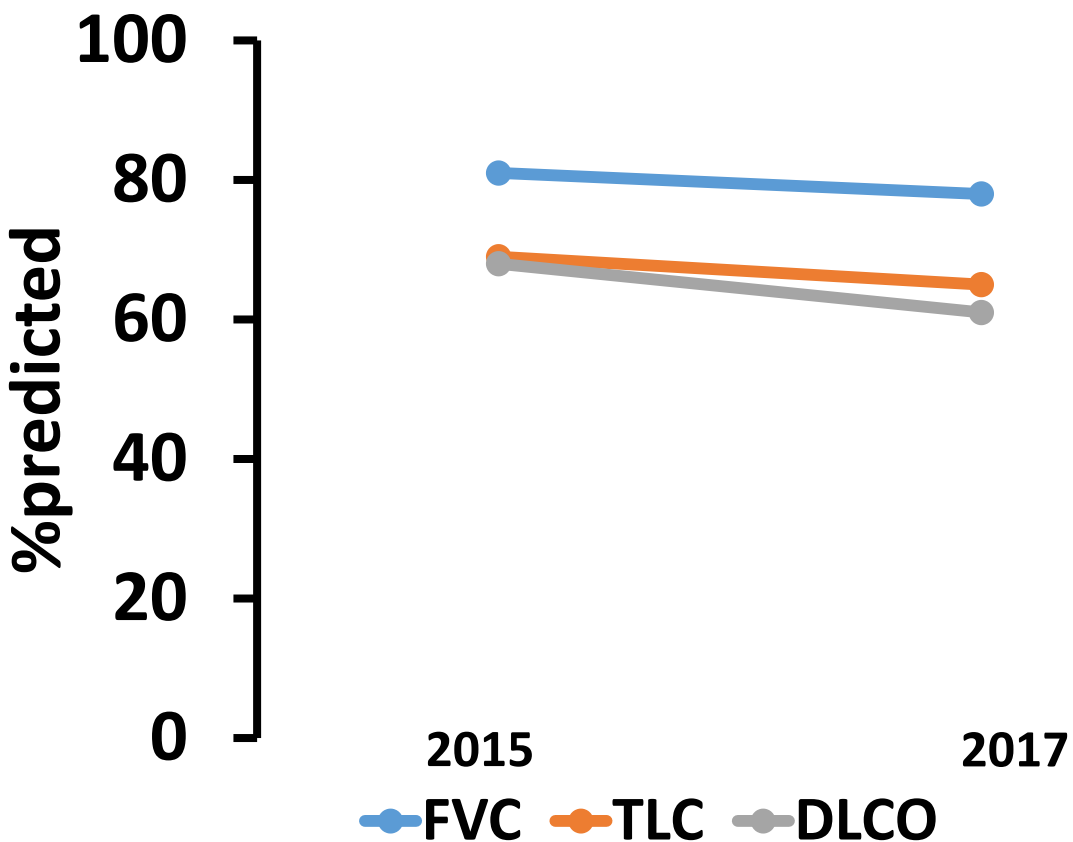


- **65 yrs –ex-50 p/yr– IPF last 2.5 yrs – under OFEV last 2 yrs**
- **Negative immunologic profile**
- **FVC: 78%pred, TIF: 85, TLC: 65% pred, DLCO: 61% pred**
- **6MWD: 480 m, 96% - 90%**
- **ECHO: RVSP: 24mmHg**
- **BAL: 85% MΦ, 10%L, 2% Eos, 3% Polys**
- **6 mo- HRCT follow-up**





Management



- FNB – Adenocarcinoma
- EBUS/TBNA – N0 - T2aN0M0-Ib
- Moderate (stable) disease
Middle age – Male gender - Low
TNM
- Lung surgery – Segmentectomy



Third case



History

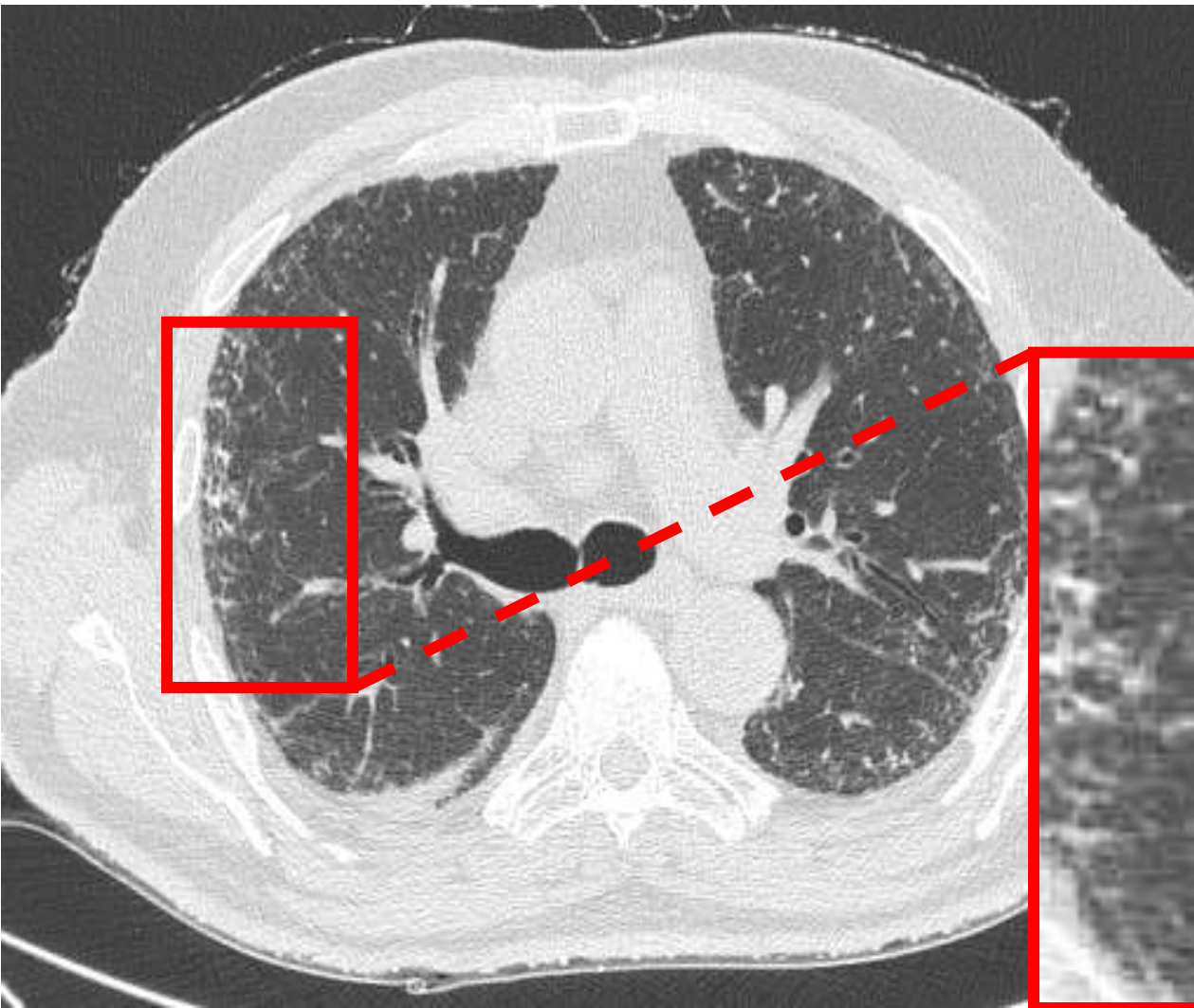


- 80-yrs old, male, ex-smoker (70 p/yrs), DOE (mMRC II/IV)+ GERD symptoms
- No familial Hx/No exposure
- Medical Hx: Arterial hypertension
- No Raynaud, arthralgias or myalgias,
- + Velcro type crackles: + clubbing
- Negative immunologic profile
- **FVC: 62%pred, TIF: 82, TLC: 52% pred, DLCO: 29% pred**
- 6MWD: 340 m, 96% - 84% - LTOT: 2lt/min
- ECHO: RVSP: 28mmHg
- BAL: 88% MΦ, 8%L, 2% Eos, 2% Polys
- Nintedanib Rx (2 years) – Gradual Progression
- **FVC: 54%pred, TIF: 84, TLC: 48% pred, DLCO: 22% pred**

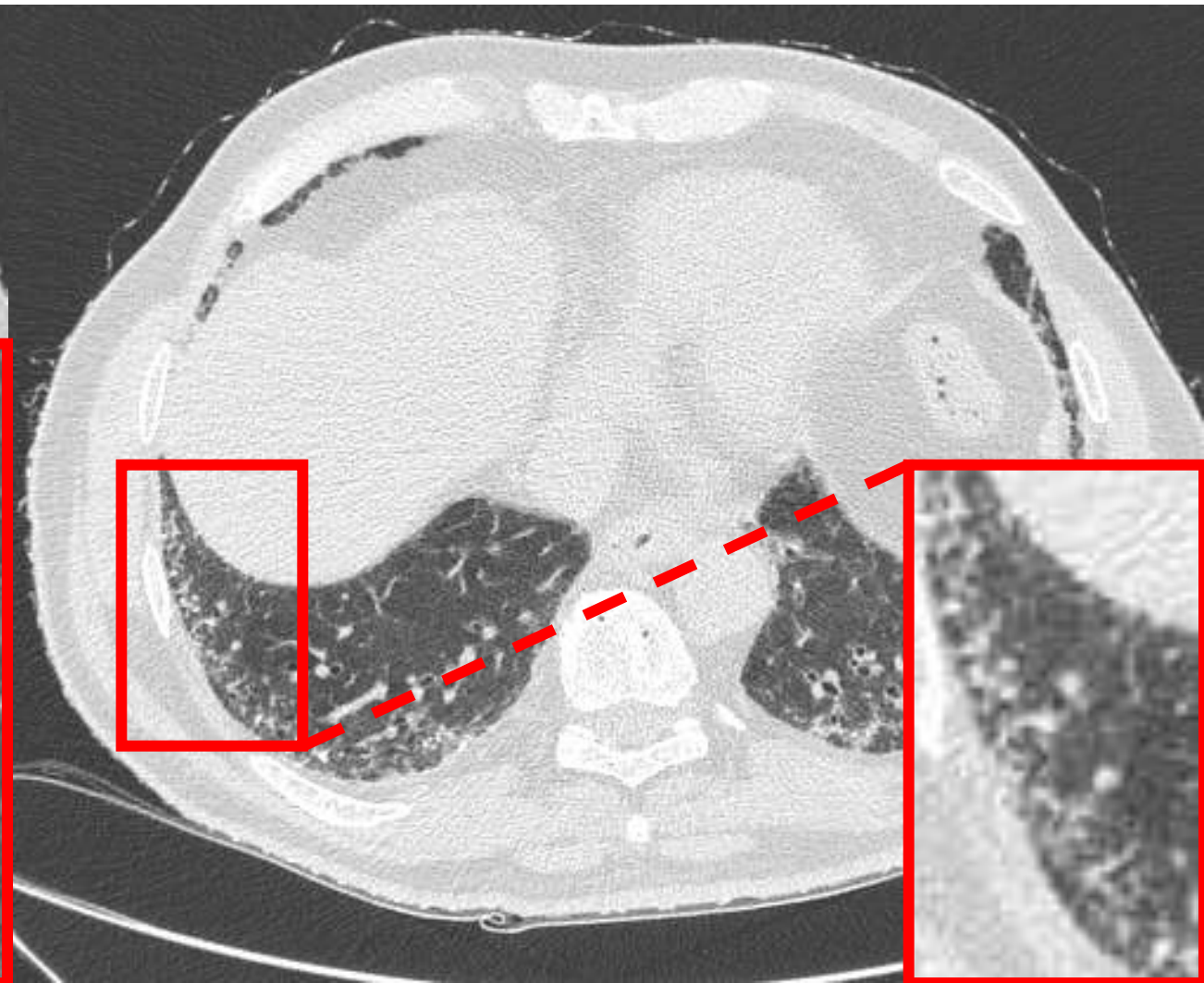


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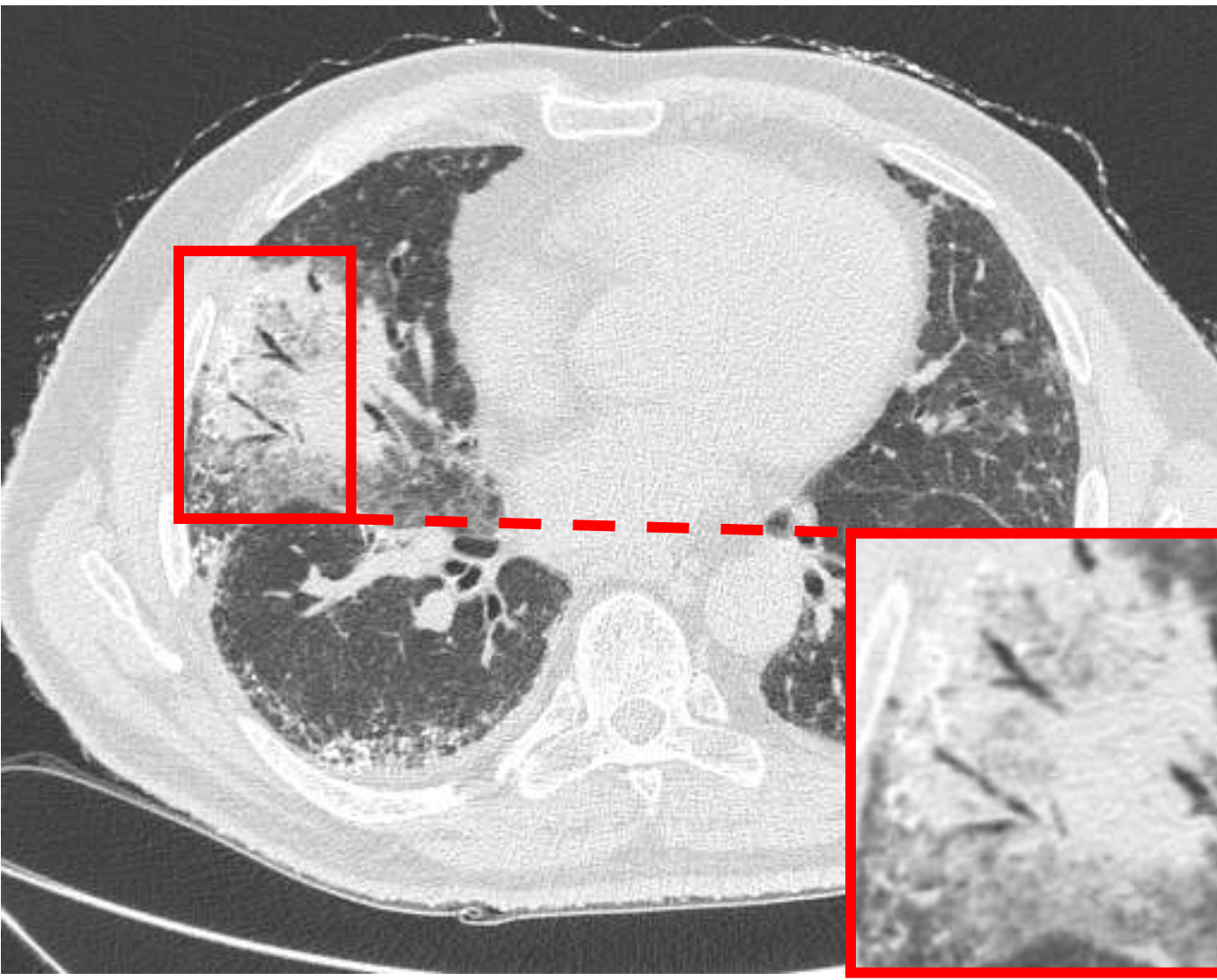
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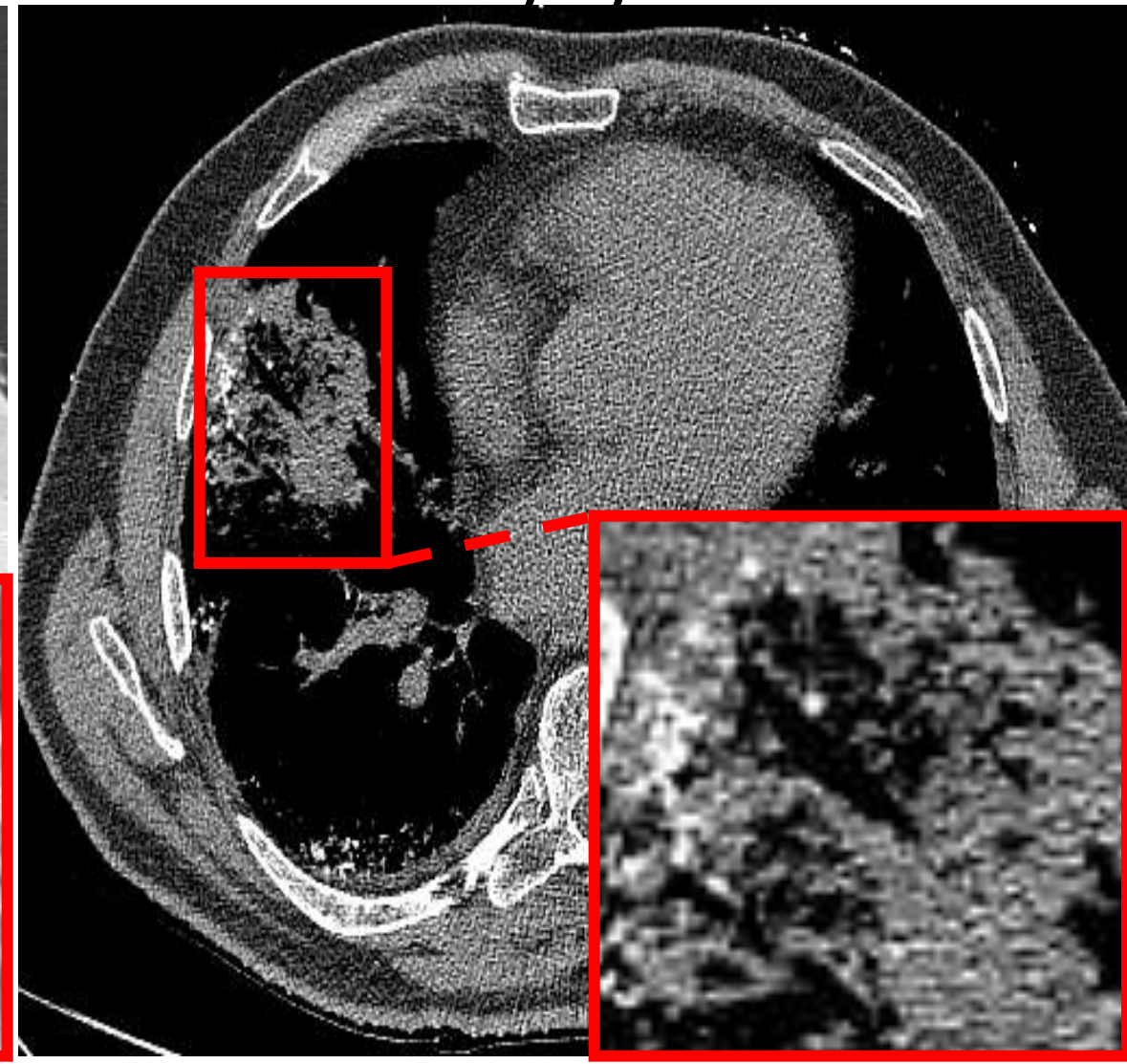


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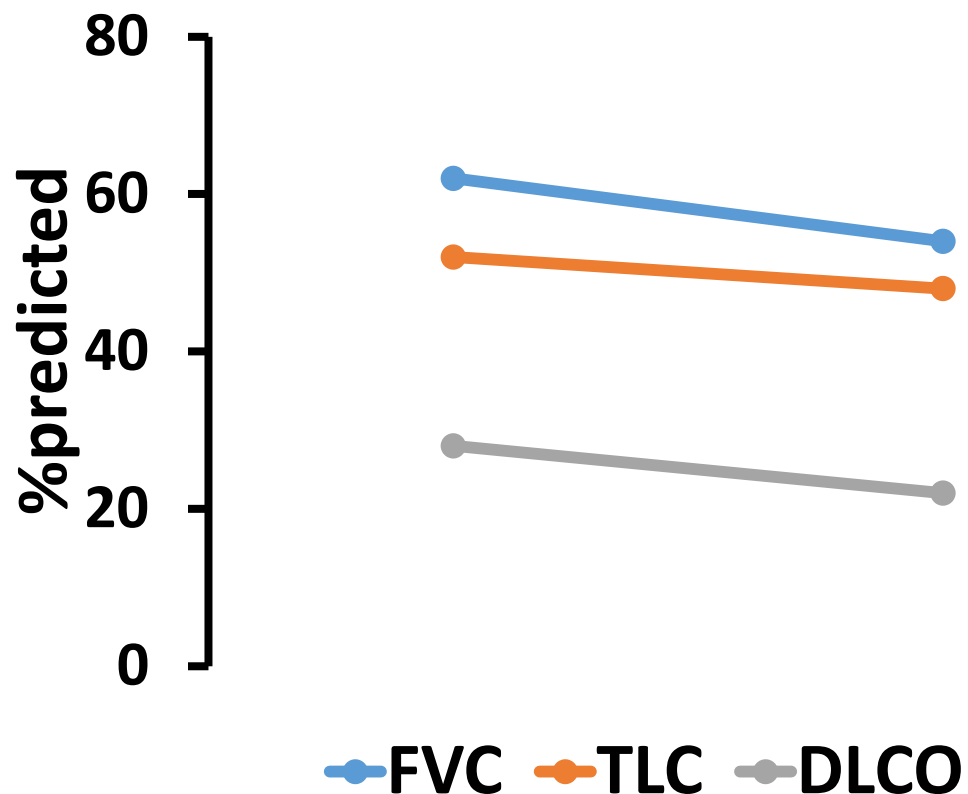


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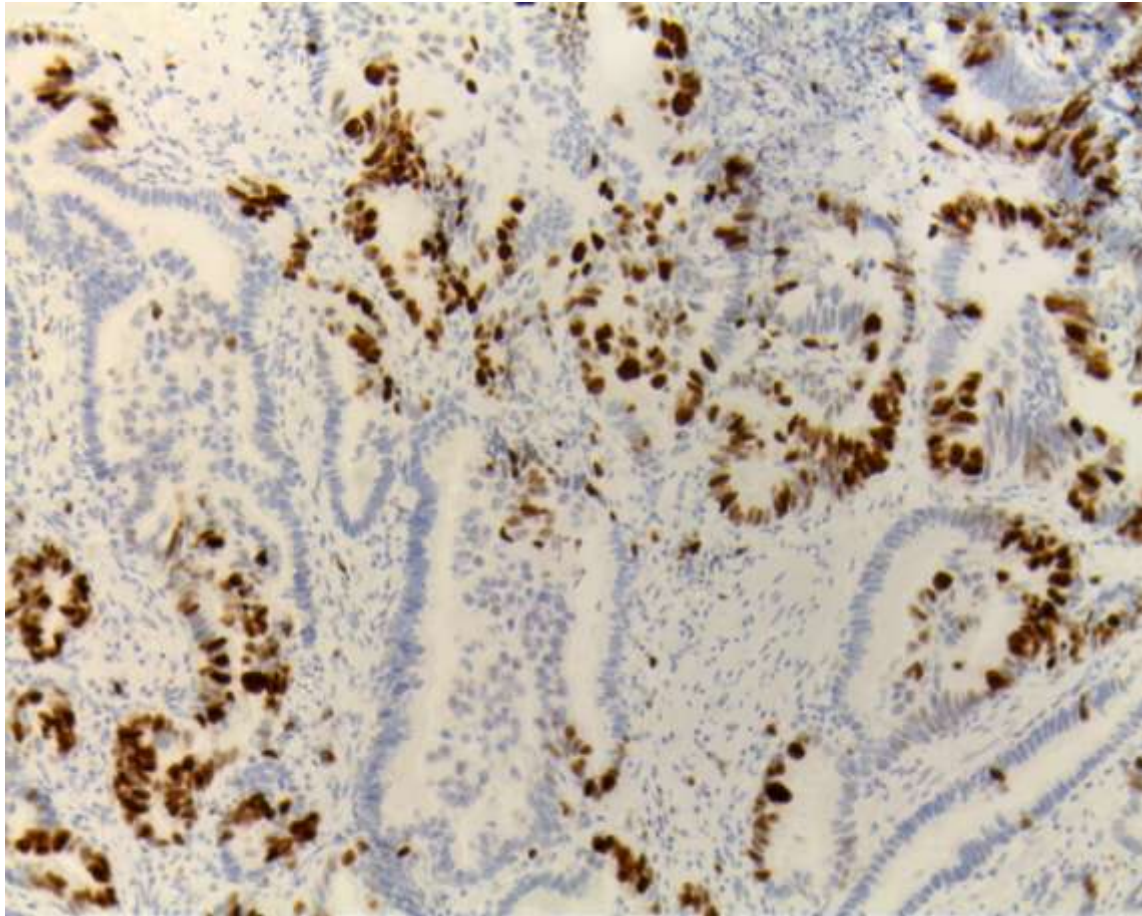
- FNB – Adenocarcinoma
- EBUS/TBNB – N1 – T4N1M0-IIIA
- Disease progression-Elderly pt – Male gender - IIIA
- MICO



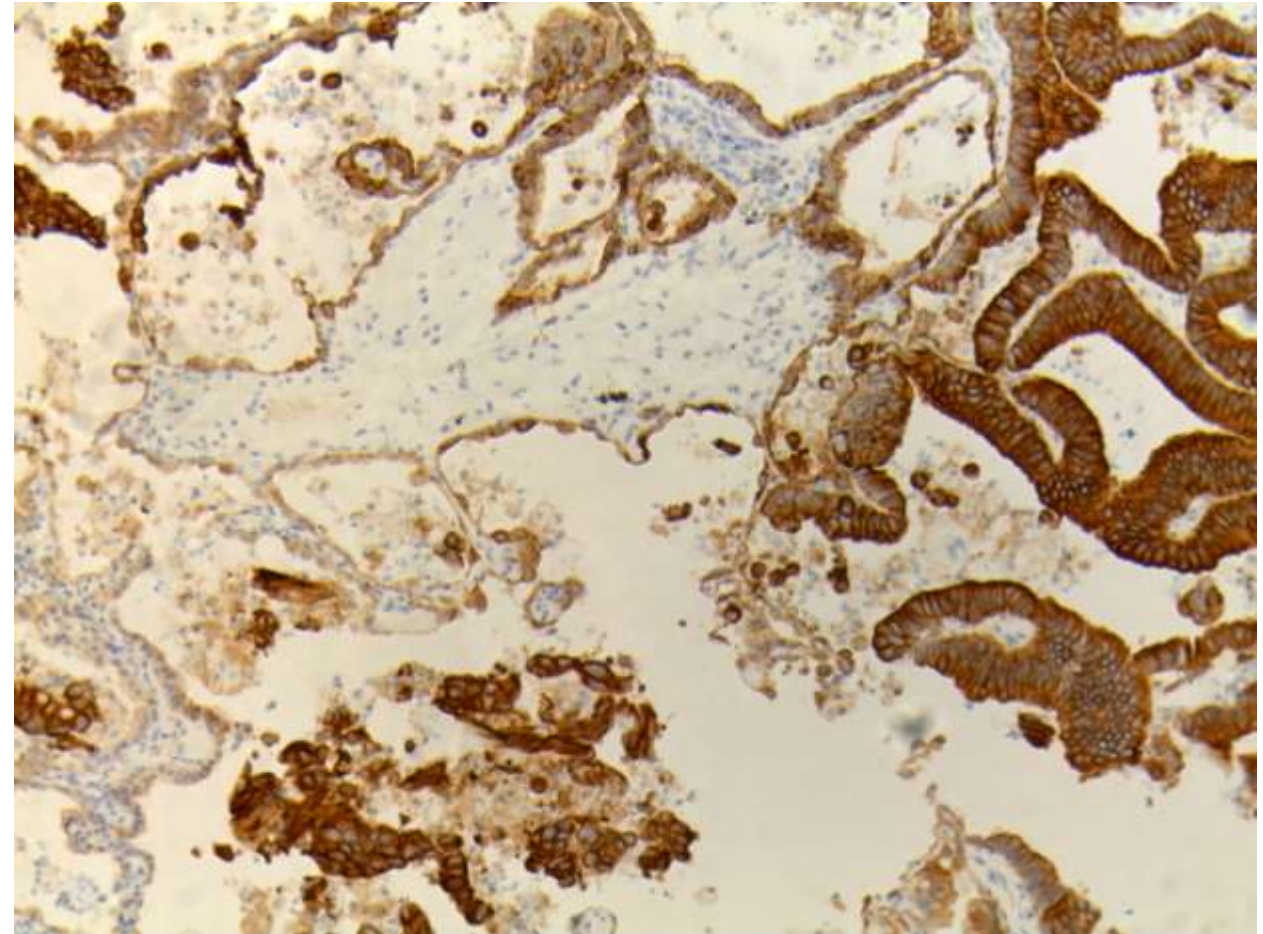
Pathology



Hyper-proliferating – Ki67 + Epithelium



CK19 + AEC + Adenoid structures (ADC)

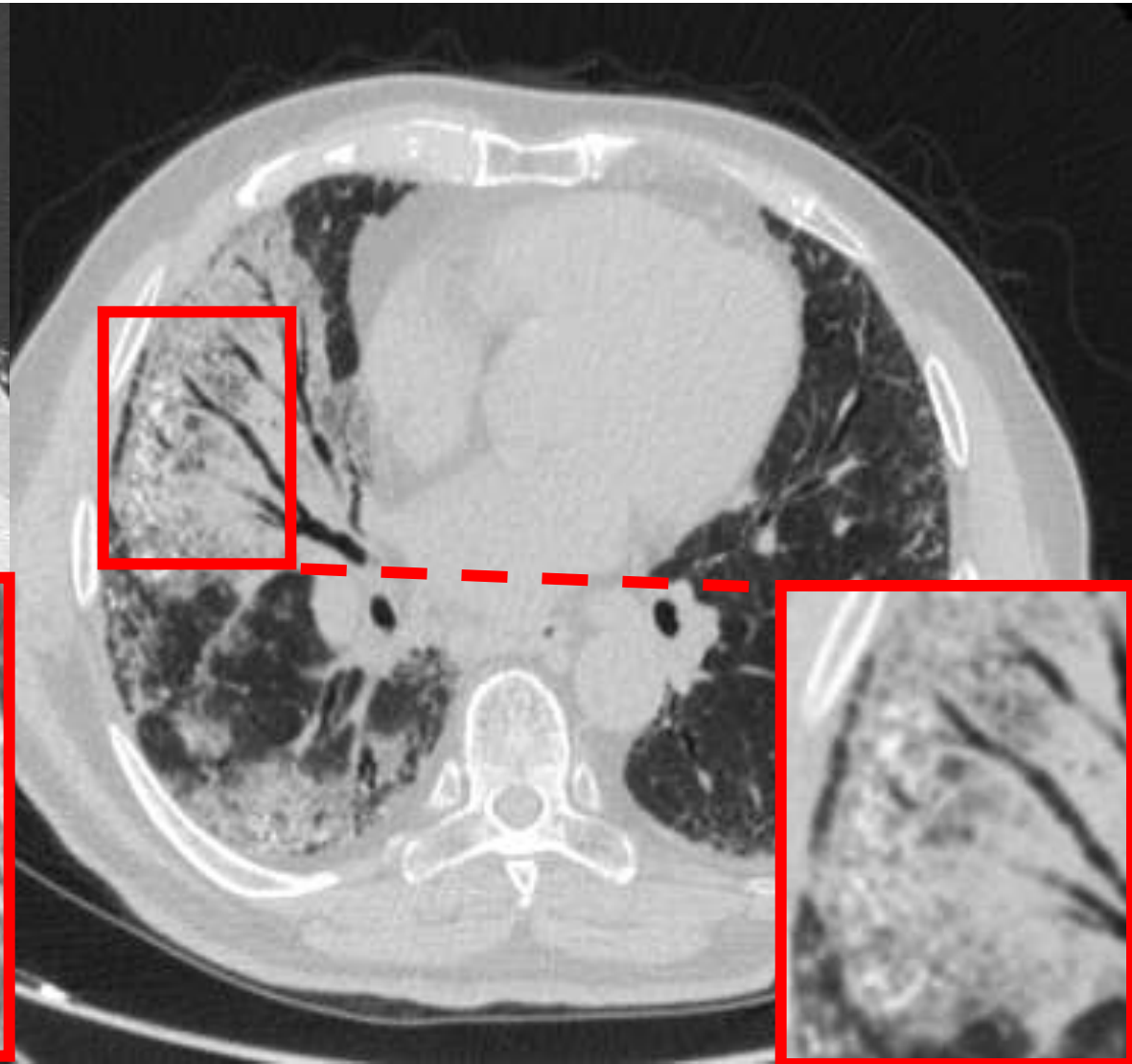




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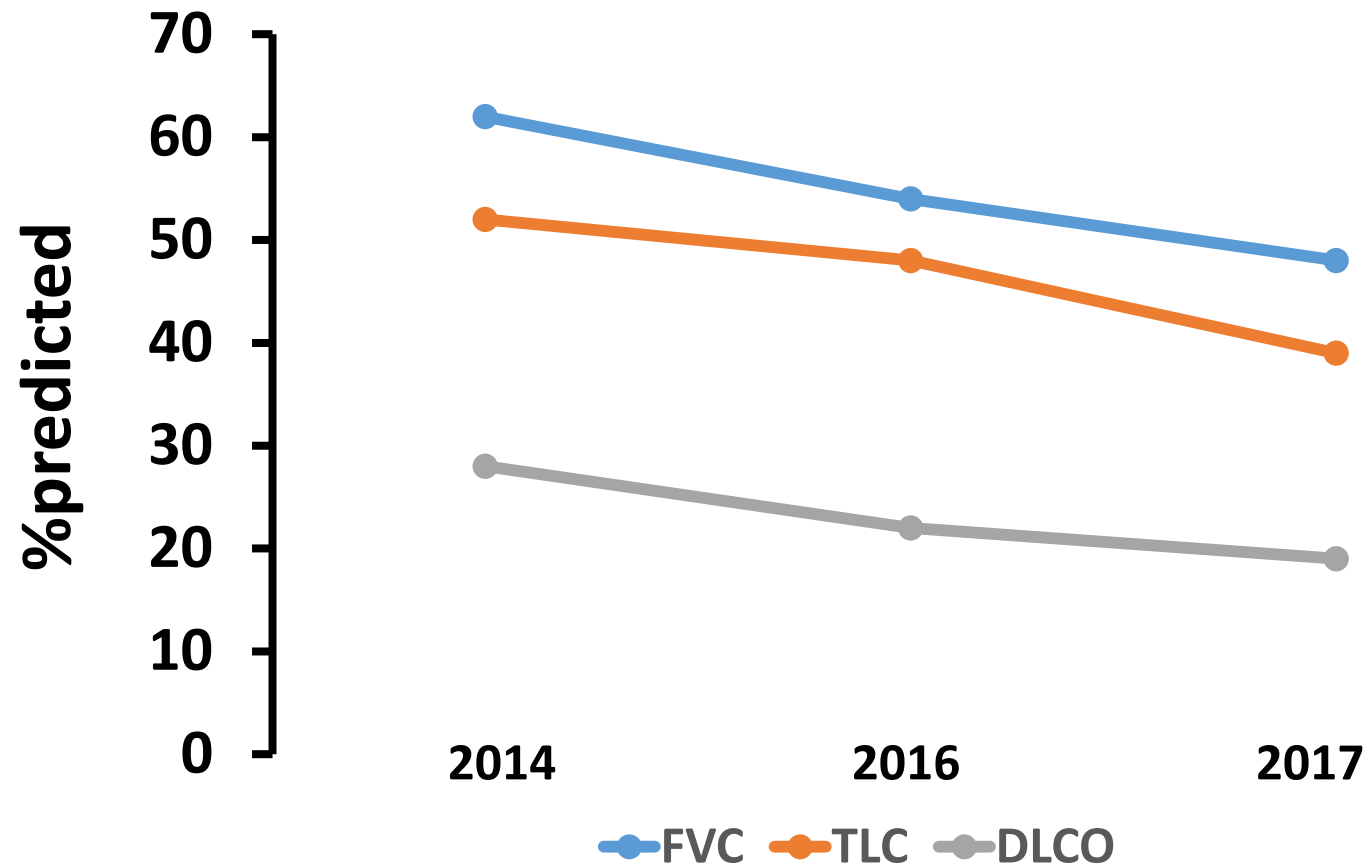
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Functional course





INTRODUCTION



Factors that increased interest in patients with both IPF and lung cancer:

- i. IPF risk factor for lung cancer development
- ii. Patients with IPF and lung cancer have shorter survival
- iii. Common pathogenetic pathways





RESEARCH ARTICLE

Lung cancer in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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- 35 (0.18% studies included)
- Prevalence of LC in IPF: 13.54% - x9 in men
- 38% SQCC, 31% ADC, 20% SmCC, 5%LCC, 4% Adeno-squamous
- 31% stage III, 13% stage II
- 84% peripheral area, 16% central – RLL most common



Lung cancer in patients with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis

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i. Prevalence of lung cancer in IPF **2.7 -31.3 %**

Table 1: Studies reporting prevalence of lung cancer in patients with IPF

Study	Number of patients with IPF	Incidence of lung cancer	Year
Nagai	99	31 (31.3%)	1992
Park	281	63 (22.4%)	2001
Le Jeune	1064	29 (2.7%)	2007
Ozawa	103	21 (20.4%)	2009
Kreuter	265	42 (16%)	2014
Tomassetti	181	23(13%)	2015

ii. Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) most frequent histologic type(35-46%)

Table 2: Studies reporting histologic predominance of lung cancer in patients with IPF

Study	Number of patients with IPF-lung cancer	SCC	ADC	Year
Nagai	31	45.2%	35.2%	1992
Park	63	35%	30%	2001
Kawasaki	53	46%	46%	2001
Ozawa	21	38%	29%	2009
Lee	70	40%	30%	2014
Kreuter	42	36%	31%	2014
Tomassetti	23	39%	35%	2015

Abbreviations. IPF: Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, SCC: Squamous cell carcinoma, ADC: Adenocarcinoma

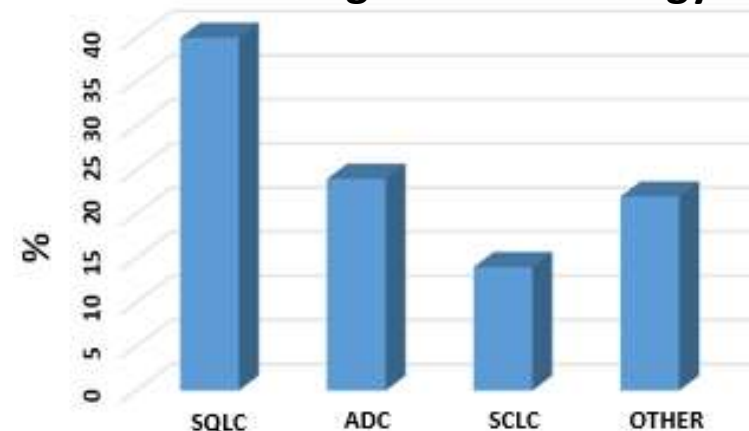


Greek cohort

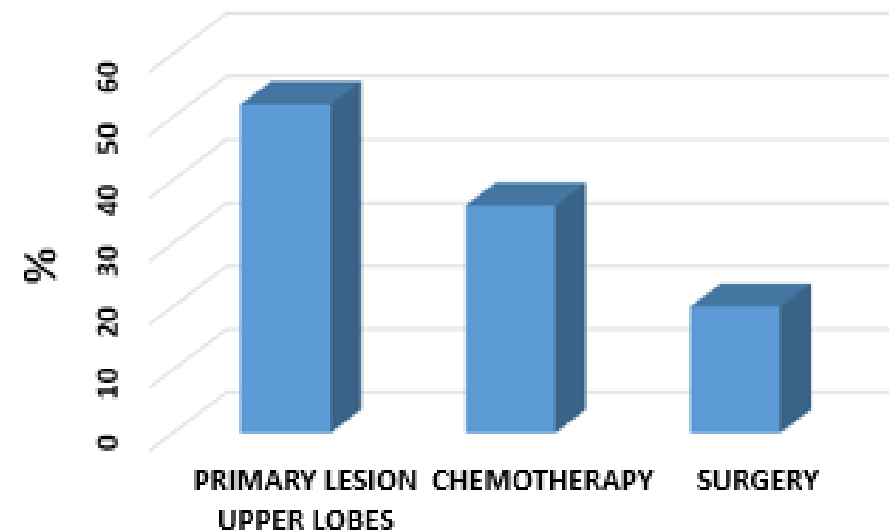


CHARACTERISTICS	BASELINE DATA (N,%)
Total patients with IPF	608
Patients with IPF and cancer	63/608 (10.3%)
Males/ Females	57/6
Age (mean \pm SD), years	72.8 \pm 7.5
FVC %pred (mean \pm SD)	75.9 \pm 21.5
DLco %pred (mean \pm SD)	47.2 \pm 15.8
Patients with IPF and lung cancer	50/608 (8.2%)
Other types of cancer	16/608 (2.6%)
Both lung and other type of cancer	3/608 (0.5%)
Non-small cell lung cancer	37/50 (74 %)
Squamous cell carcinoma	20/50 (40 %)
Adenocarcinoma	12/50 (24 %)
Small cell lung cancer	7/50 (14 %)
Lung cancer post IPF diagnosis	23/36 (63%)
Median latency time (months) + SD	14.6 + 35.5
Lung cancer and IPF synchronously	11/36 (31%)
Lung cancer prior IPF diagnosis	2/36 (6%)
Median latency time (months) + SD	23.8 + 57.8
Missing data for time of lung cancer diagnosis	14/50 (28%)
Median survival (months)	24.0 (95% CI: 18.6 to 38.0)

Lung Cancer Histology



Location-Treatment





PATHOGENETIC COMMONALITIES SCARCINOMA



Is there a direct relationship between fibrotic areas and cancer development?

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Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: diagnosis, management and new therapies

OPINION

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Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and cancer:
do they really look similar?

Carlo Vancheri



This phenomenon has been coined out as “**scarcinoma**”

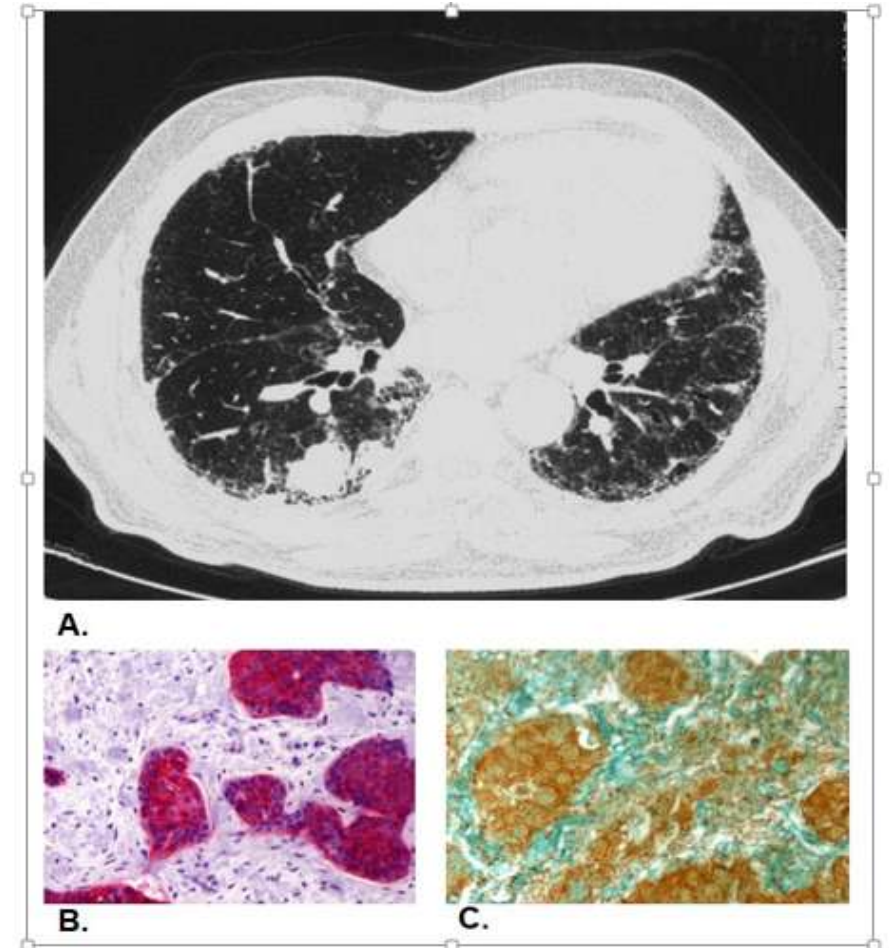


Figure 1: A) High Resolution Computed Tomography of a 78-years-old male with IPF and squamous cell carcinoma. B) CK-18 positive cancer cells in a fibrotic lung stroma. C) Masson stain positive for fibrosis in lung stroma surrounding solid nests of cancer cells.



PATHOGENETIC COMMONALITIES



CELL TO CELL COMMUNICATION AND SIGNALING PATHWAYS

IPF fibroblasts undergo glycolytic reprogramming towards myofibroblast differentiation ("Warburg effect")



Cell-to-cell communication and signal transduction pathways



PI3K/AKT

(therapeutic target in both)



Wnt/ β -catenin

(cancer development, fibrosis progression)



Tyrosine kinases/ phosphatases

(nintedanib, SHP2)



Epithelial biomarkers of cancer metaplasia predict survival in IPF



An epithelial biomarker signature for idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: an analysis from the multicentre PROFILE cohort study



Toby M Maher, Eunice Oballa, Juliet K Simpson, Joanne Porte, Anthony Habgood, William A Fahy, Aiden Flynn, Philip L Molyneaux, Rebecca Braybrooke, Hrushikesh Divyateja, Helen Parfrey, Doris Rassl, Anne-Marie Russell, Gauri Saini, Elisabetta A Renzoni, Anne-Marie Duggan, Richard Hubbard, Athol U Wells, Pauline T Lukey, Richard P Marshall, R Gisli Jenkins

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Findings In the discovery analysis, we identified four serum biomarkers (surfactant protein D, matrix metalloproteinase 7, CA19-9, and CA-125) that were suitable for replication. Histological assessment of CA19-9 and CA-125 suggested that these proteins were markers of epithelial damage. Replication analysis showed that baseline



Clinical Data

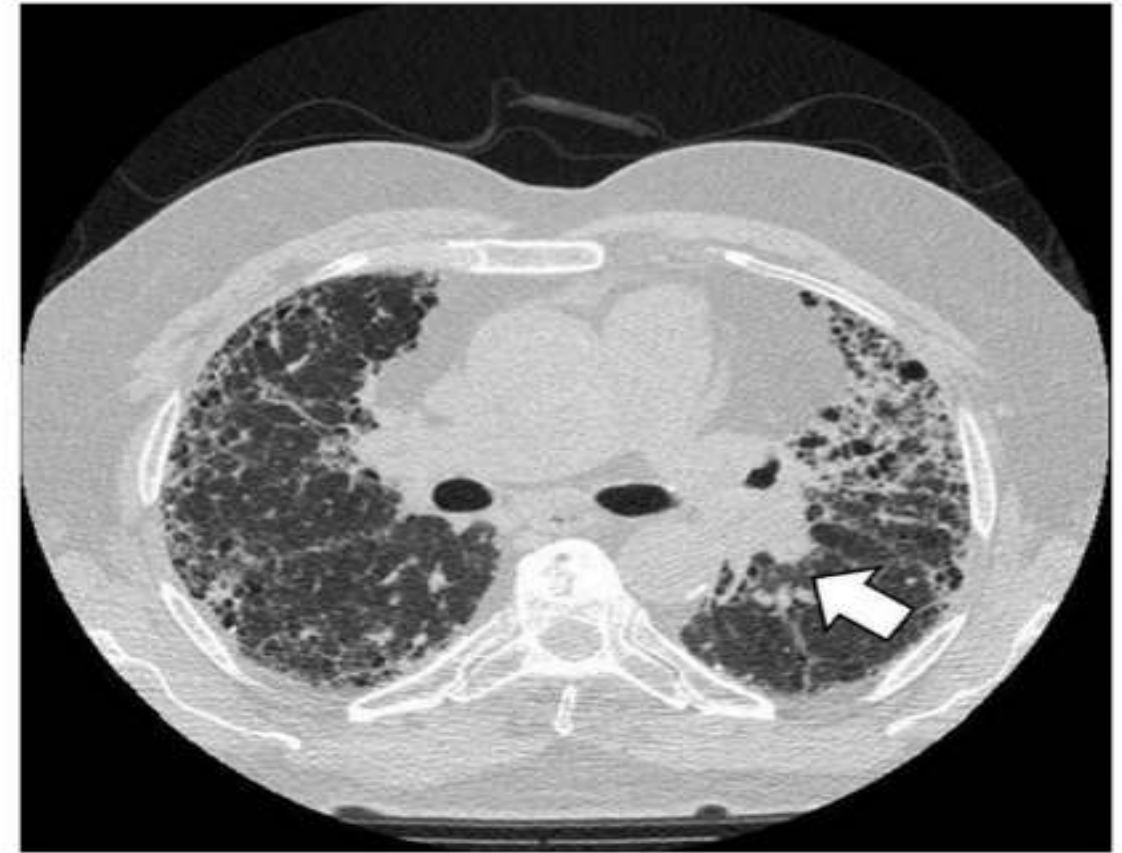


Patients with IPF and LC present with worse prognosis than IPF for the following reasons:

- i. Increased perioperative mortality (**7.1 %** vs **1.9%**)
- ii. Increased likelihood for postoperative AEx (**8.7%** vs **1.8%**)
- iii. Relapse of malignancy (**36%**)
- iv. **Complications from aggressive therapeutic interventions (chemotherapy-infections, post-radiation pneumonitis/injury)**

Negative prognostic factors for surgical interventions:

- i. Increased levels of KL- 6, LDH
- ii. Decreased FVC, DLCo
- iii. Male gender, use of corticosteroids, history of AEx, definite UIP pattern

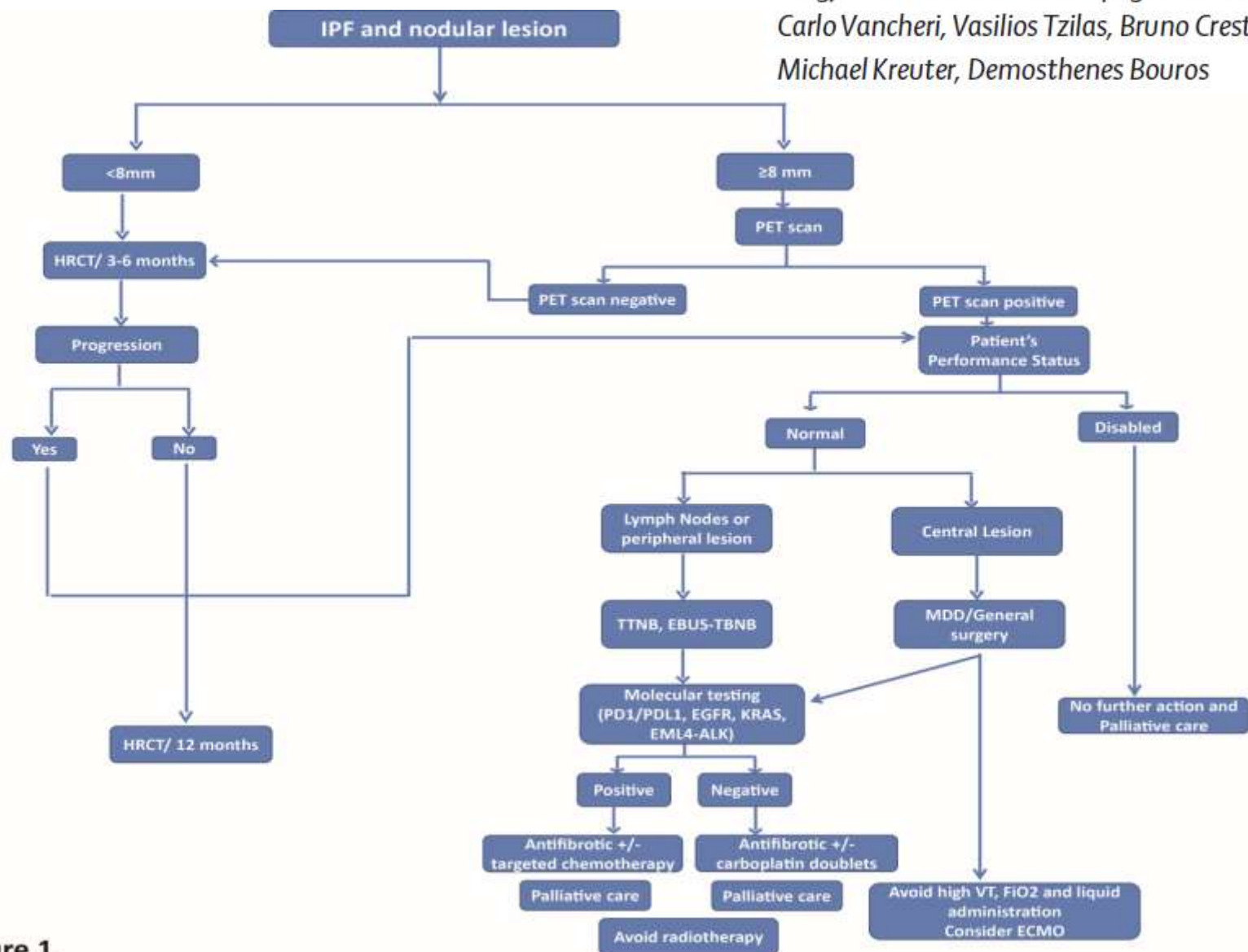




**How do we approach a patient with IPF
and suspicious lung lesion (?)**

Patients with IPF and lung cancer: diagnosis and management

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Carlo Vancheri, Vasilios Tzilas, Bruno Crestani,
Michael Kreuter, Demosthenes Bouros



- LDCT/PET scan
- PFS
- Location of the lesion
- Avoid irradiation
- Beware of surgical interventions
- Platin doublets/1st line
- Don't discontinue antifibrotics

Figure 1

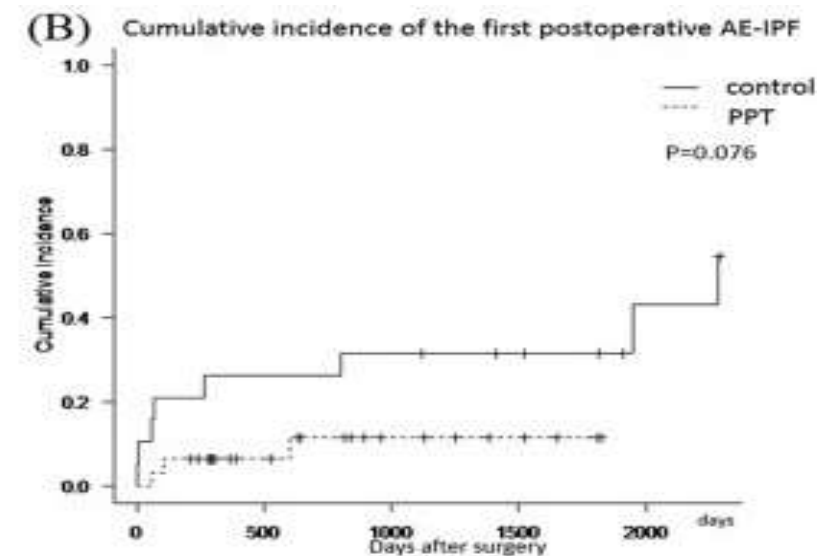


FUTURE PERSPECTIVES



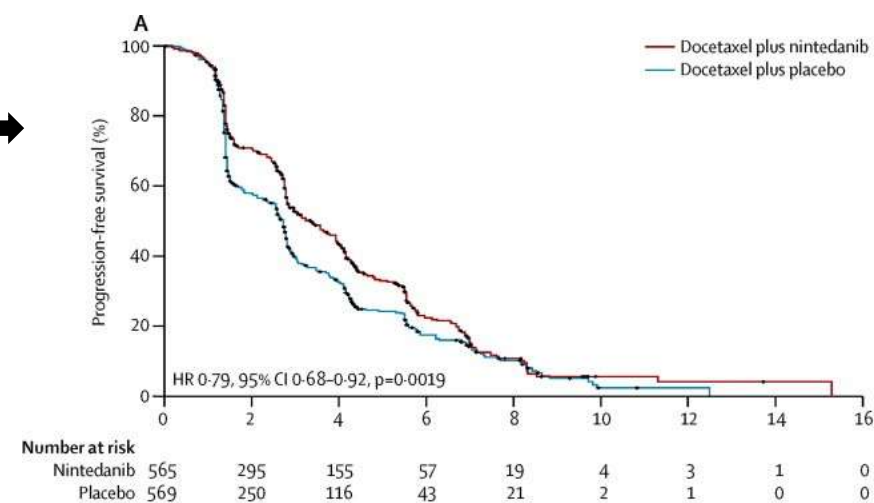
The approval of nintedanib and pirfenidone alters the scenario:

- i. Pirfenidone **decreases** the incidence of lung cancer (**2.9% vs 20.3%**)
- ii. Prophylactic effect of preoperative treatment with pirfenidone for postoperative acute exacerbations (**3.2% vs 21.1%** within 90 postoperative days) →
- iii. Nintedanib **improves** the outcome for docetaxel-based second-line therapy especially for patients with **adenocarcinoma** →
- iv. Drug **repositioning** like nintedanib (pan-class I PI3K/mTOR inhibitor ?)



Number at risk

control	19	12	11	7	3
PPT	31	19	8	4	0





THE ROLE OF LIQUID BIOPSIES

- Similar concept to that of prenatal screening – circulating free DNA

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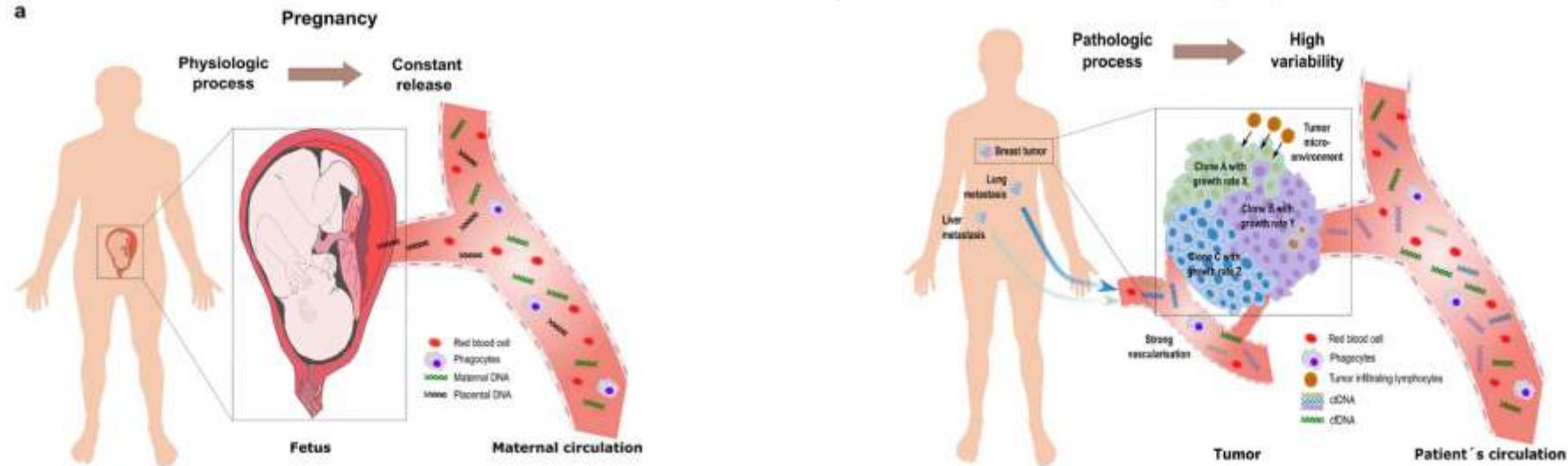
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REVIEW ARTICLE

OPEN

The potential of liquid biopsies for the early detection of cancer

Ellen Heitzer^{1,2}, Samantha Perakis^{1b}, Jochen B. Geigl¹ and Michael R. Speicher^b



- Inability for molecular tumor profiling in 20% - Low PFS, small tissue
- First PCR-droplet biopsy test for BRAF (V600) and EGFR (T970M) in clinic



The role of liquid biopsy in early diagnosis of Lung Cancer in patients with Pulmonary Fibrosis

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Demosthenes Bouros

Editorial



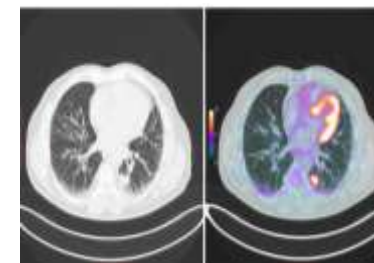
- IPF risk of developing LC increases over time- 3.3% (1st yr) – 55% (10th yr)
- 70% of IPF pts have Mediastinal Lnpathy – Reactive or NOT?
- Amenable need for minimally invasive diagnostic/screening tools
- Low dose CT scan + EBUS/TBNA sampling = screening algorithm for early detection of high risk individuals



Diagnosis And Management Of lung cancer and FibrOSIS “DI-A-M-O-R-F-OSIS” survey



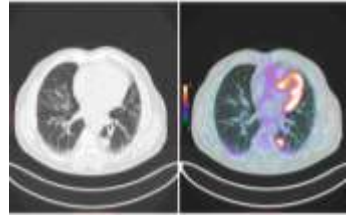
Aims



- **To identify variations in diagnostic and management strategies across different hospitals and institutions**
- **To raise awareness on the association between the two conditions**
- **To provide rationale for a consensus statement (or position paper) for an improved, homogeneous and standardized approach**



Design



- **Q & A- based survey** – Approximately 40 Qs – 10-15 min
- **General Knowledge Questions**: i.e. *What is your medical specialty?*
- **Prevalence-based Questions**: i.e. *What is the most common histologic subtype of lung cancer in your cohort of patients with IPF?*
- **Disease specific Questions (Diagnosis)**: i.e. *What diagnostic modality do you use to screen patients with IPF for lung cancer?*
- **Disease specific Questions (Treatment)**: i.e. *How would you treat a patient with severe IPF (DLCO<35%) and otherwise non-operable NSCLC ?*
- **Case report-based Questions**: i.e. *What would it be your next diagnostic step in a patient with severe IPF presenting with a nodular lesion of 9 mm*



TAKE HOME MESSAGE



- i. IPF is an independent **risk factor** for lung cancer (10-15% prevalence)
- ii. Pathogenetic similarities - scarcinoma
- iii. Need for a consensus for the management of patients with IPF-LC
- iv. Pirfenidone and nintedanib alter the scenario? PD-1 inhibitors?
- v. Early diagnosis is the key – Role of Liquid biopsies- EBUS/TBNNB – low dose CT





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