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1 Medical context**1.1 10 cancer markers**

- cell proliferation
- reprogram cellular metabolism
- stop cell growth arrest
- evade apoptosis
- escape immune system
- ability to undergo a sufficient number of successive cell cycles of growth and division to generate macroscopic tumors
- create new blood vessels to get nutrients
- allow cell escape and metastasis formation
- change cellular response phenotypic via plasticity
- senescence

1.2 4 cancer conditions

- mutation
- epigenetic reprogramming
- inflammatory context
- disruption of microbiota

1.3 phases of cancer

initiation

promotion

tumorigenesis + neoangiogenesis

evolution (local, regional, metastasis)

1.4 cancer classification:

tumor, node, metastasis

stages classification:

1. stage 0 which corresponds to a so-called in situ tumor
2. stage 1 which corresponds to a single, small tumor
3. stage 2 which corresponds to a larger local volume
4. stage 3 which corresponds to invasion of the lymph nodes or surrounding tissues
5. stage 4 which corresponds to a wider extension in the body in the form of metastases

1.5 treatment types

surgery

RT

chemotherapy

combination

2 Patient Path

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3 Machines

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3.3 Tomotherapy

3.4 CyberKnife

3.5 Brachytherapy

4 Irradiations techniques

4.1 IMRT

Step and Shoot

Sliding Window

4.2 VMAT

5 Treatment Planning Systems

5.1 Manufacturer

Eclipse (Varian)

ONE | Planning (Elekta)

Precision (Accuray)

5.2 Non-manufacturer

RayStation (RaySearch)

matRad (German Cancer Research Center - DKFZ)

AutoPlan (TheraPanacea - coming soon)

6 Dosimetry steps

Challenges

6.1 BOO

6.2 FMO

6.3 LF

7 Simulation