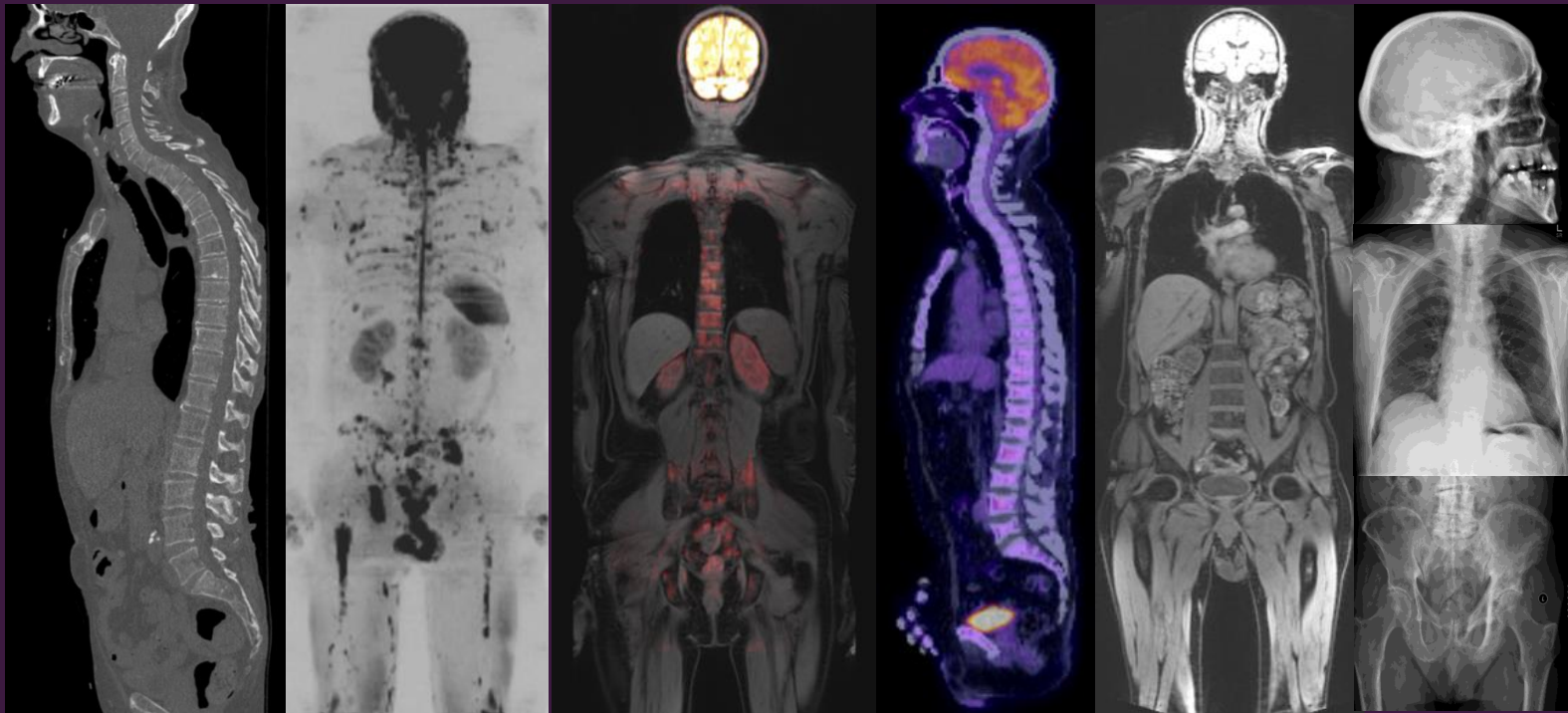


# Myeloma : What to do and when



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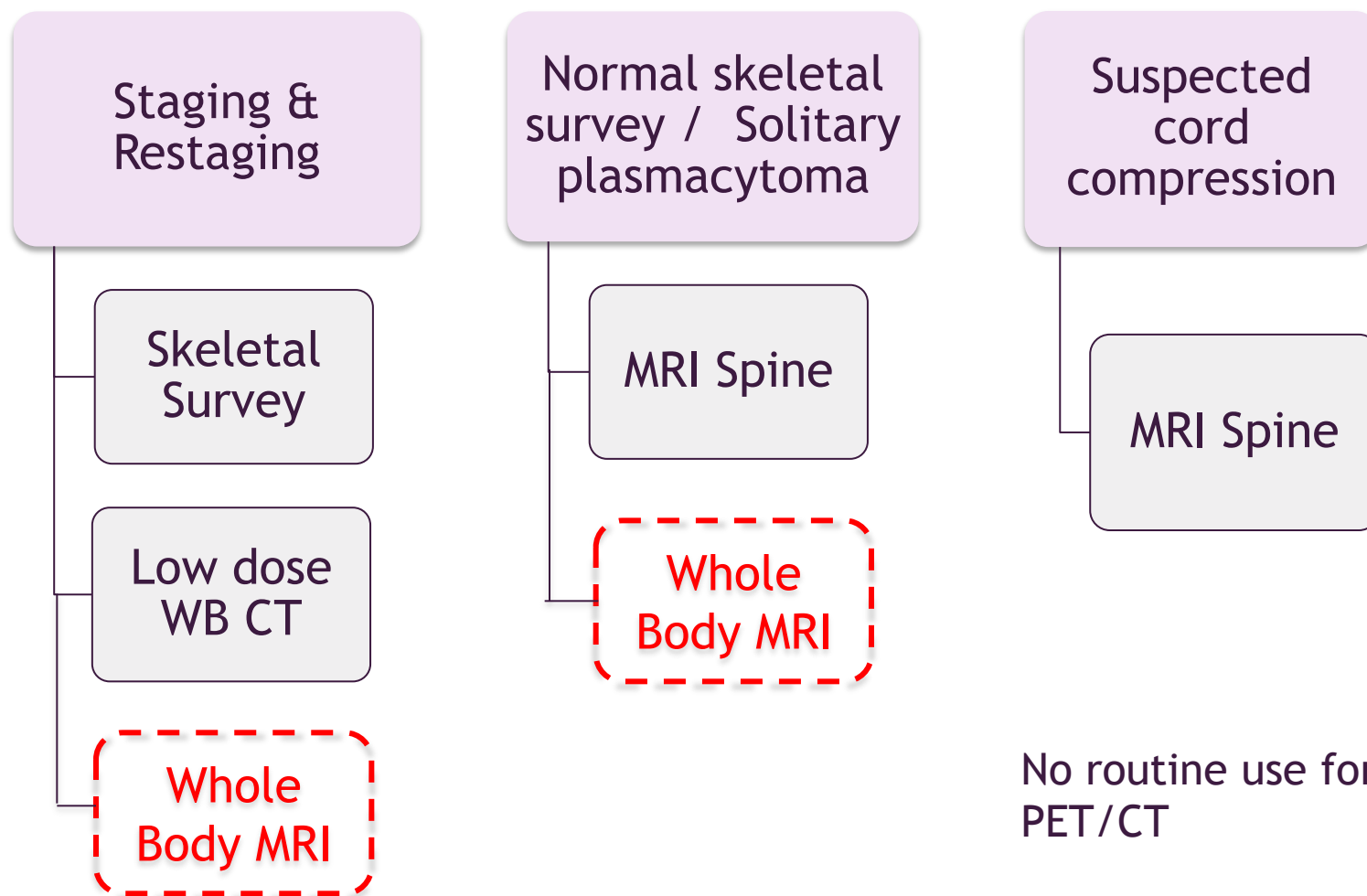
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Leukemia, 2009



# Diagnosing myeloma bone involvement

## Skeletal survey

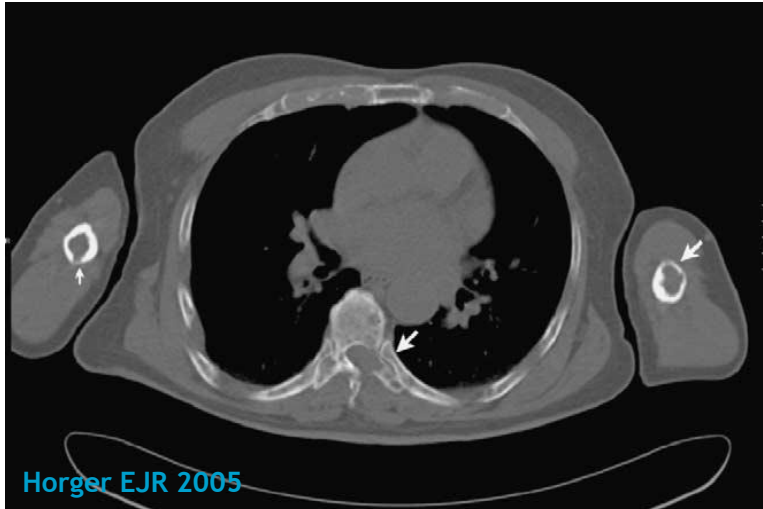


+ *symptomatic areas*

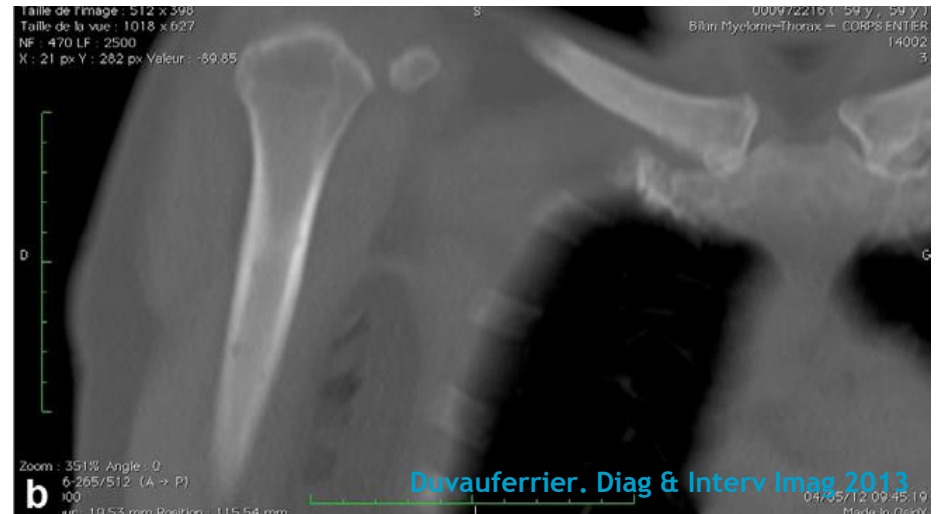
15% non-specific, osteopaenia, vertebral collapse

# Low dose WBCT - an alternative to SS?

Lytic lesions



Endosteal scalloping

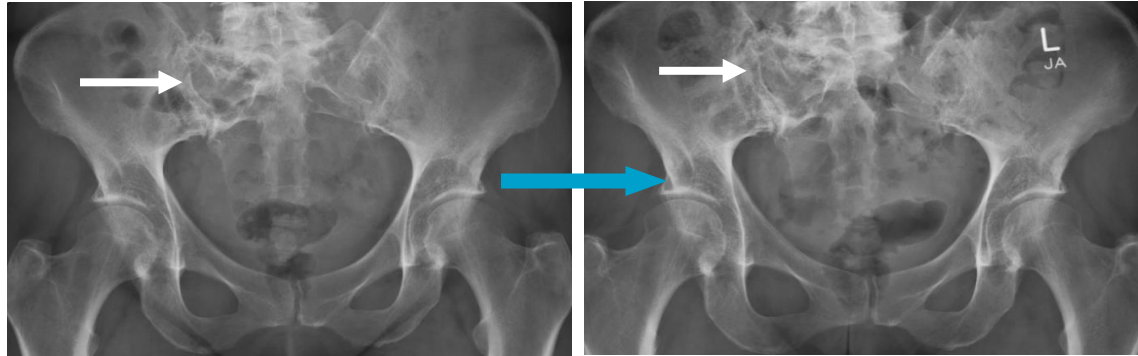


IMWG: “realistic alternative for patients with painful symptoms or symptomatic patients with no evidence of osteolysis on SS.”

# Assessing treatment response /restaging

## Plain film/CT

Fixed  
bone  
defect



Plain film / CT cheap, readily available first line screen for bone involvement.

Limited sensitivity: marrow not visualized  
Limited restaging: fixed bone defects

Bone defects can stay stable for years despite changes in disease activity

IMWG: Patients with negative skeletal survey and no other criteria for active disease require MRI spine

MRI spine shows disease in 30-50% of patients with normal SS



Plain film/CT detect cortical destruction



MRI detects marrow disease

# Burden and pattern of disease demonstrated on MRI is linked with outcomes

## Symptomatic Patients

Number of lesions and diffuse pattern correlate with ↓ survival

Moulopoulos 2005, Lecouvet 1998, Moulopoulos 2012.....

## Asymptomatic Patients

Asymptomatic patients with positive MRI or diffuse disease have a shorter time to progression than those with normal MRI

*Hillengass 2010, Moulopoulos 1995, Kastritis 2013...*

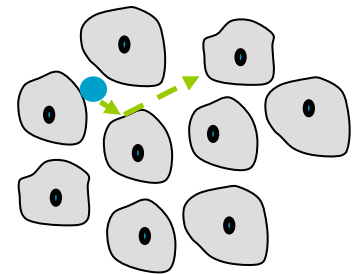
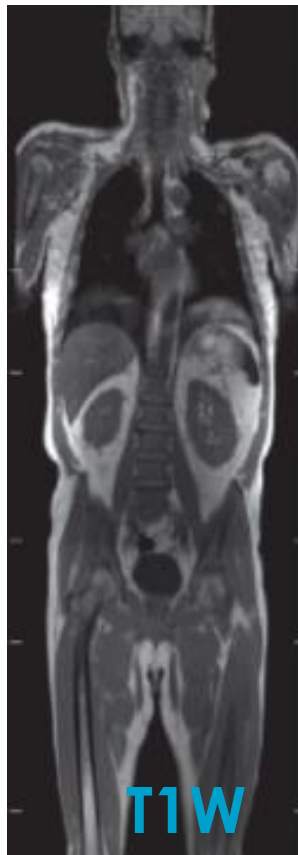
Patients with high risk SMM randomised between lenalidomide + low dose Dex vs observation, treatment gave a sig OS advantage (Mateos 2013)



# Whole body MRI in Myeloma

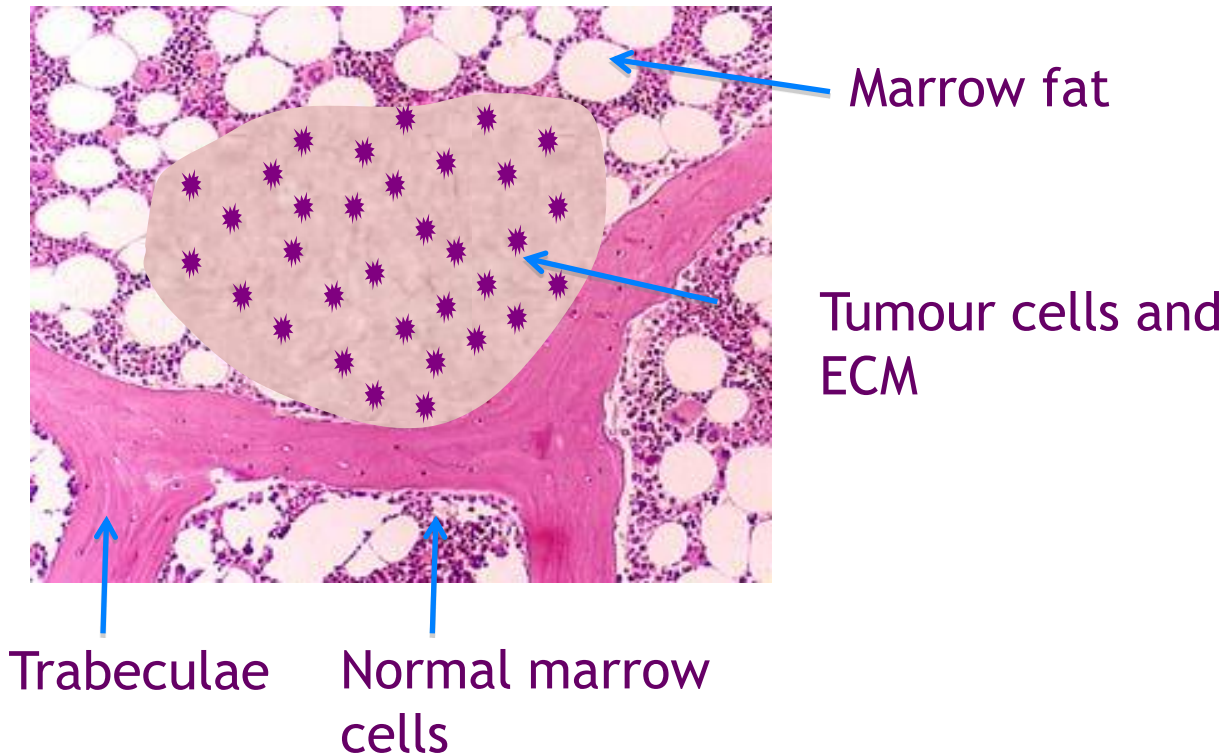
1 in 10 patients with new myeloma diagnosis have lesions limited to the extra axial skeleton.

? Need for whole body imaging.

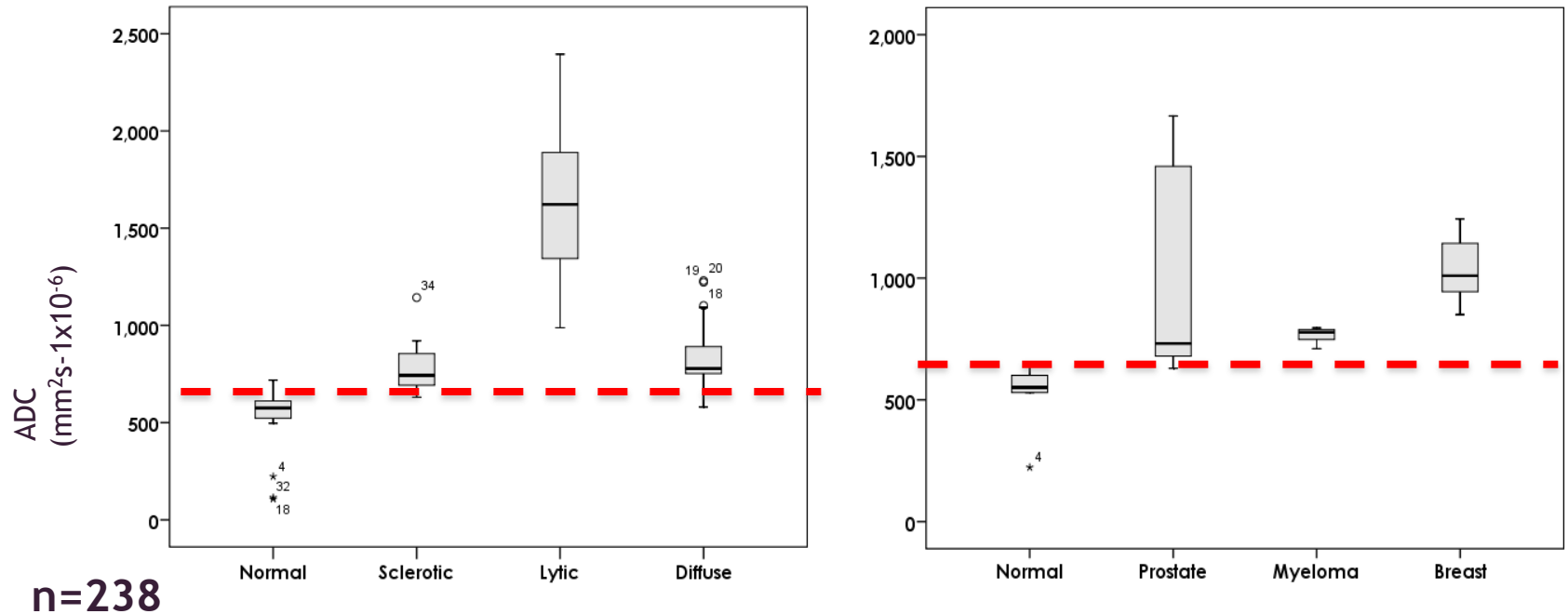


# Advantages of WB DW-MRI in bone marrow

## Excellent tissue contrast



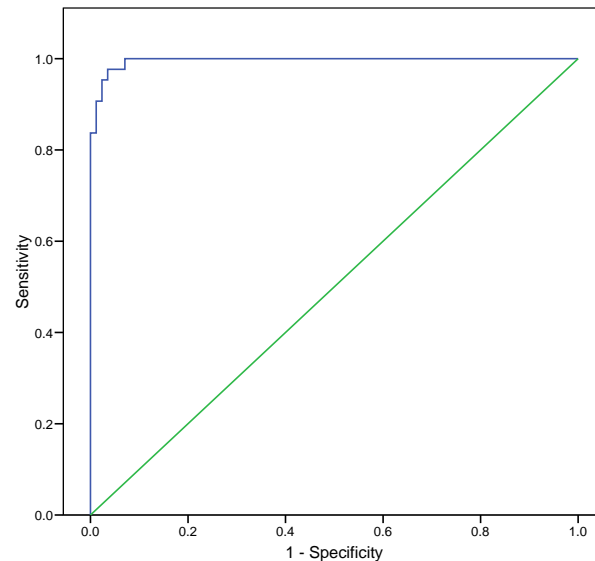
# DW-MRI is quantitative



# DW-MRI

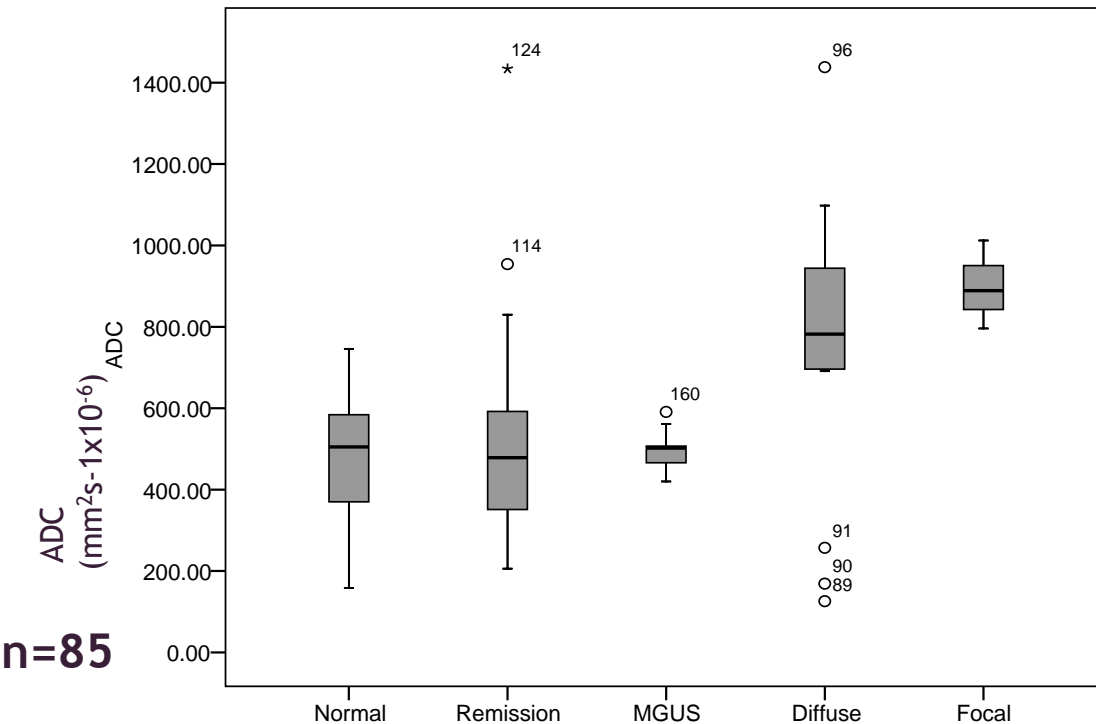


ADC cut off  $655 \times 10^{-6} \text{mm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$   
separates normal from abnormal  
marrow with sensitivity of 90%  
and specificity of 93%.



ROC curve

# DW-MRI



**Significant Differences ( $F < 0.001$ )**

MGUS vs Active (diffuse/focal)

Remission vs Active

**No Sig Difference**

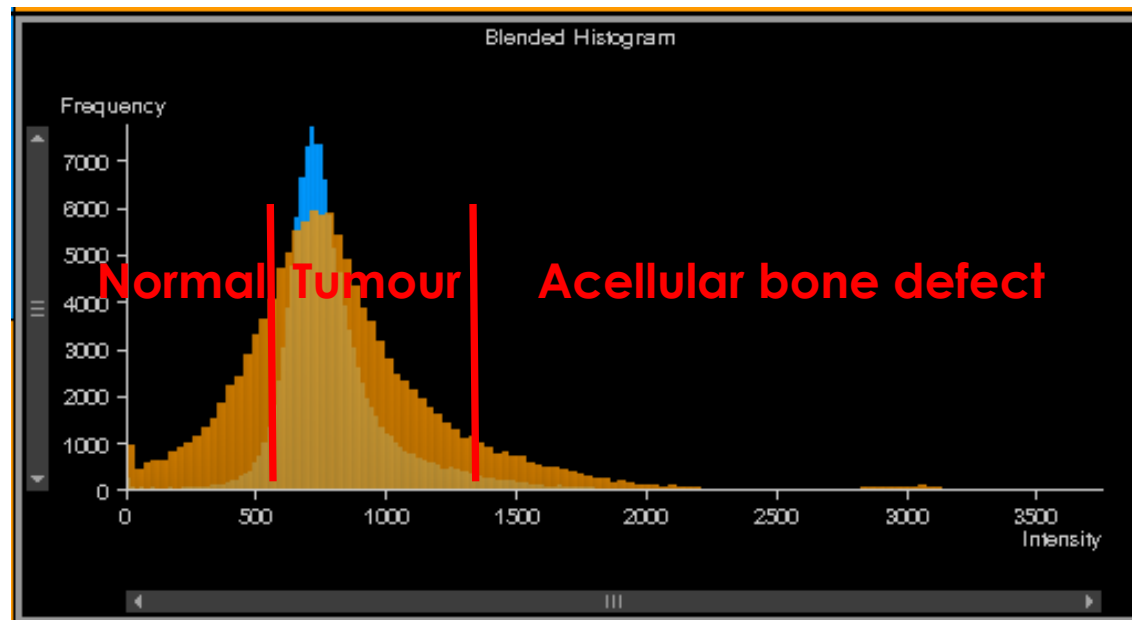
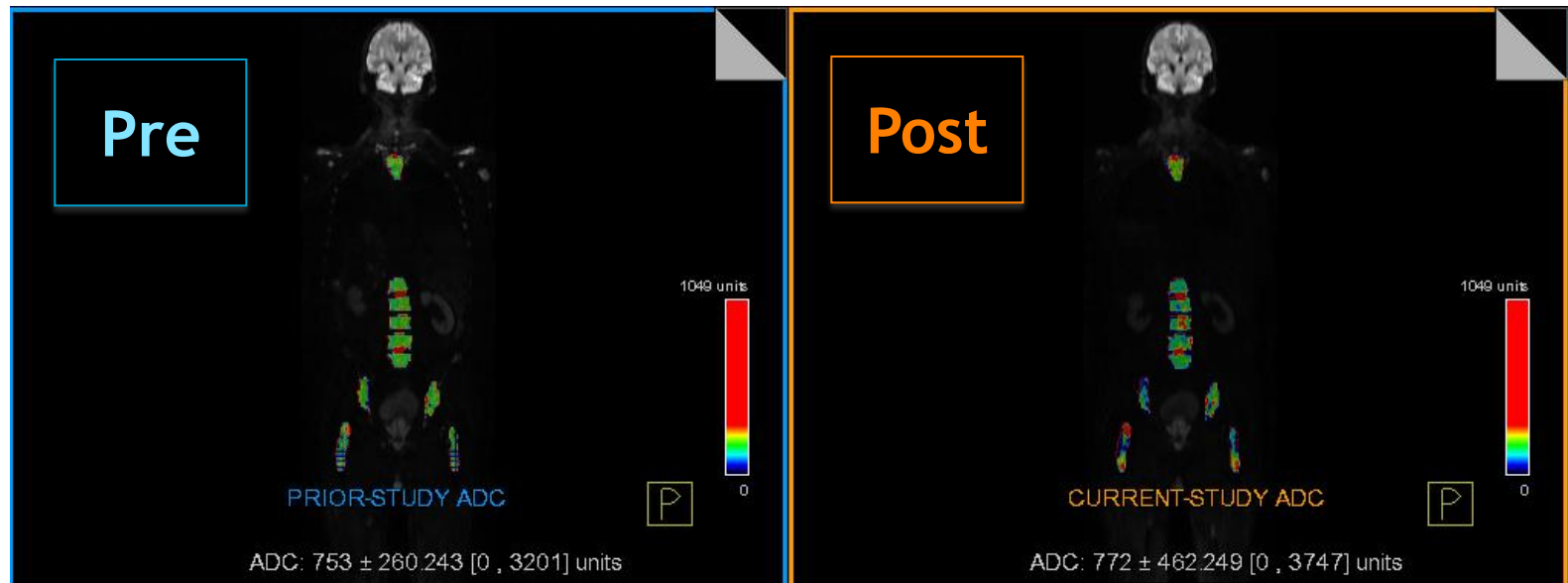
MGUS vs Normal age matched

1)Messiou C et al. Eur Rad 2011

2)Messiou C et al. Eur Rad 2011

Significant difference in ADC of MGUS vs multiple myeloma confirmed by Dutoit et al and also showed no sig difference between ADC of MGUS and SMM. Eur Rad 2014

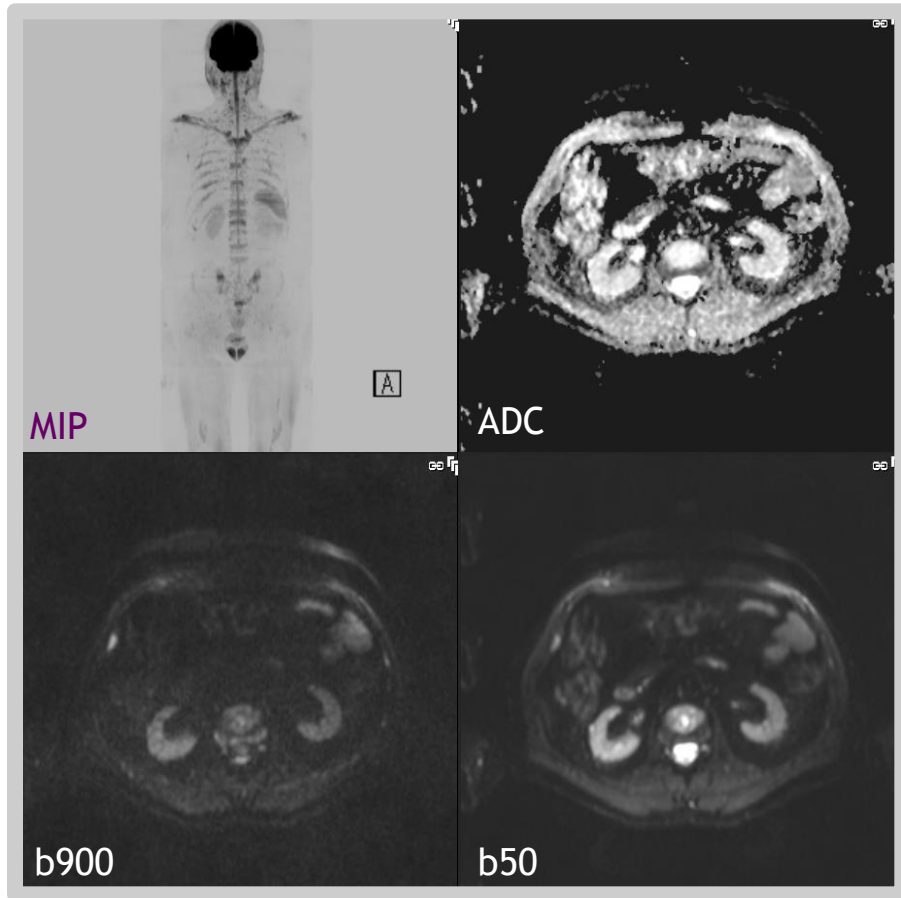
# Quantifying treatment response on DWI



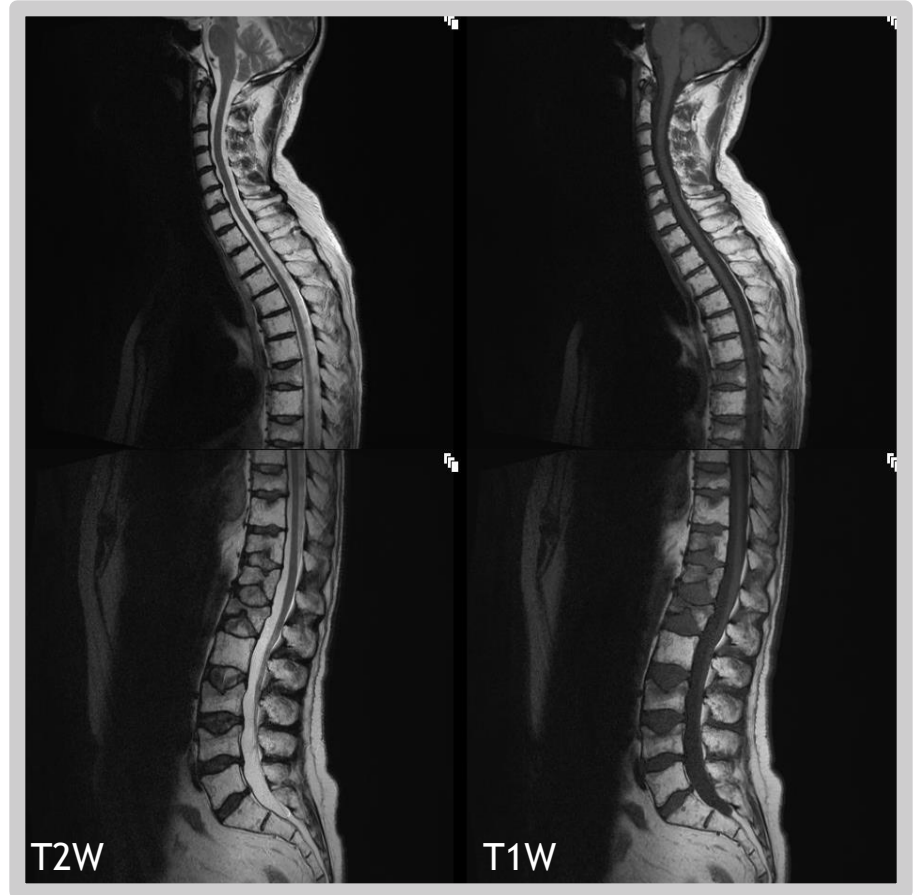
Messiou C et al  
Cancer Biomarkers  
2010 & ISMRM 2010.

# WB DWI

## Functional DWI: 20 mins



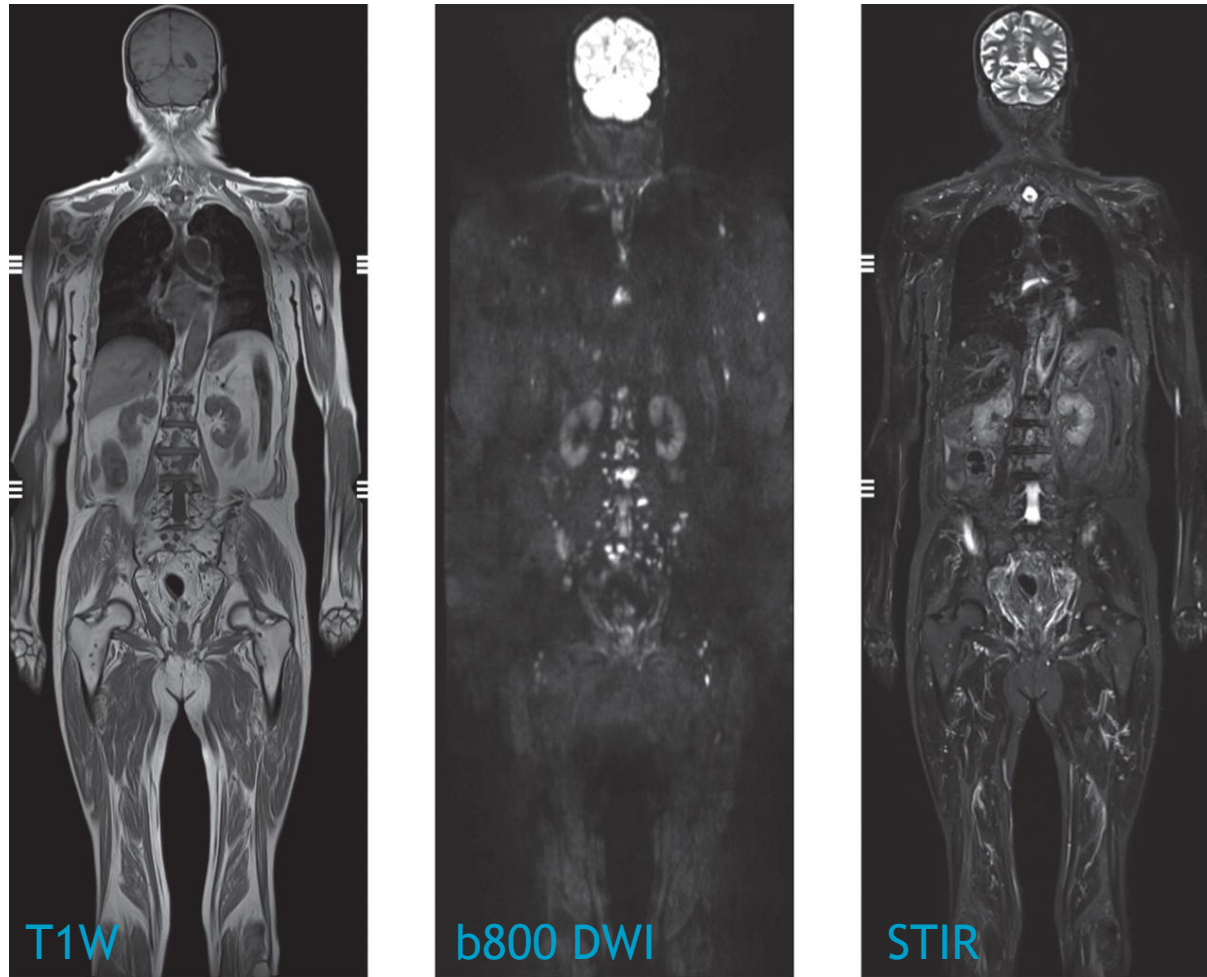
## Anatomical imaging



WB DWI + Anatomical Images + Patient Prep = 40 mins scanner time



# DW-MRI - increased sensitivity



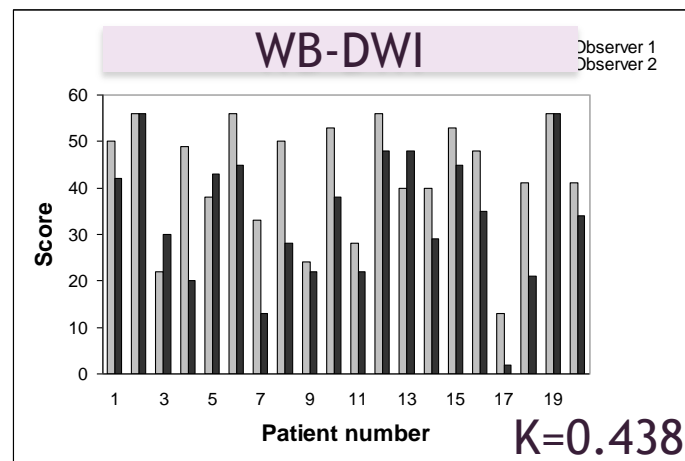
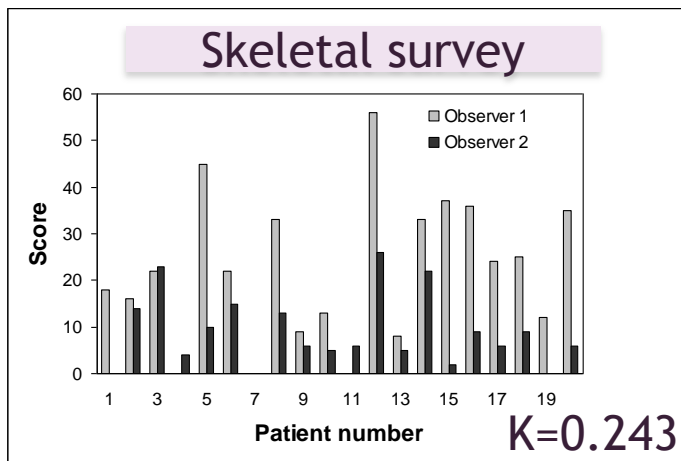
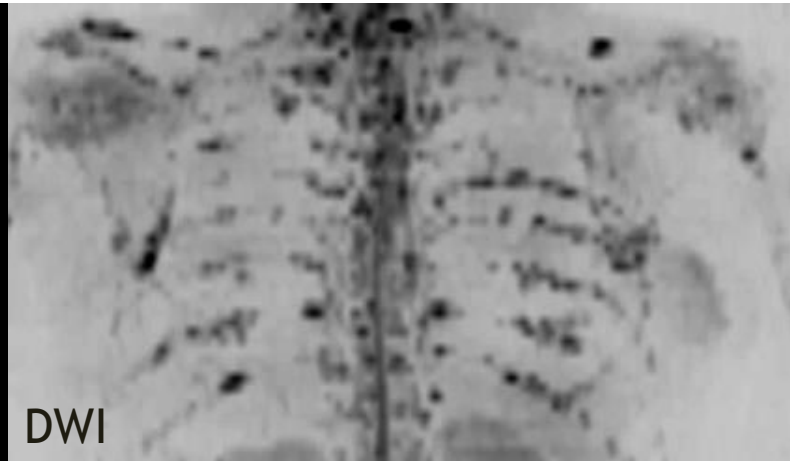
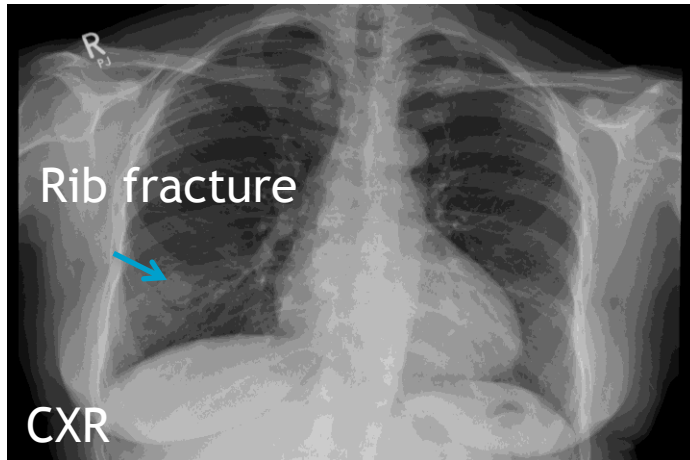
Lesion conspicuity  $DWI > STIR$  or T1W MRI

*Pearce et al. BJR 2012*



# Skeletal Survey vs WB-DWI

20 patients. Observer scores higher on DWI than SS ( $p < 0.05$ )

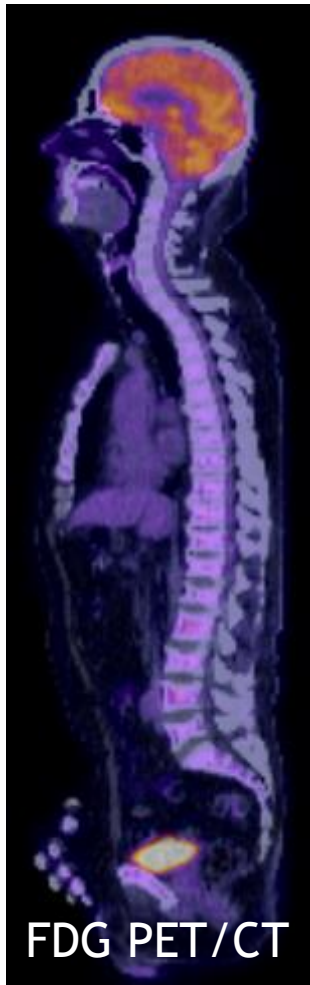


Interobserver Agreement

# Case 1 - Detection

46 year old man. ? Asymptomatic myeloma

Normal



Borderline



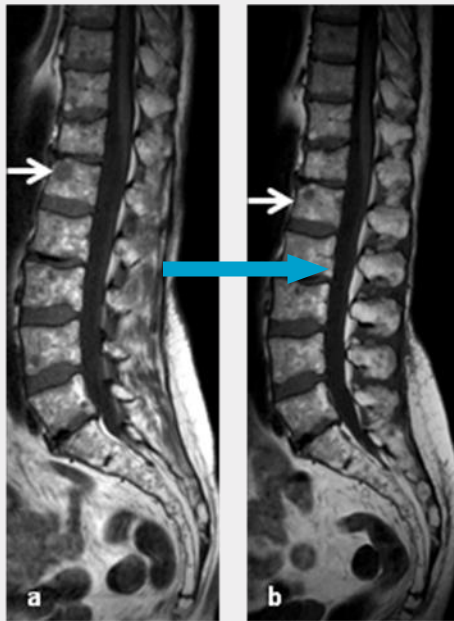
Diffuse Marrow Infiltration



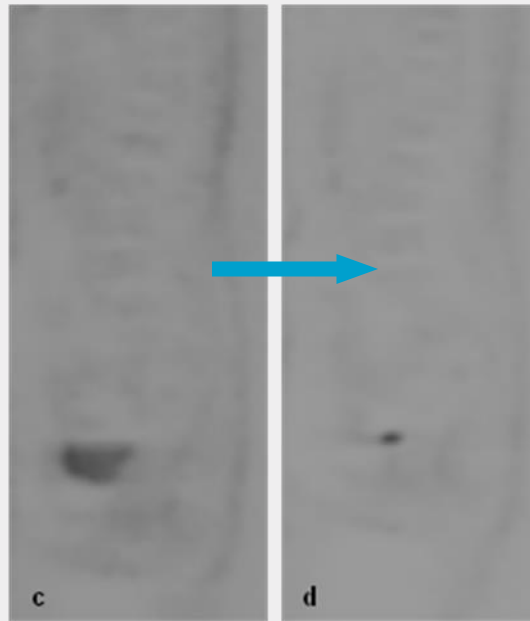
# FDG PET vs MRI

Studies comparing FDG PET/CT and conventional MRI have shown that FDG is inferior for detection of diffuse and small volume disease.

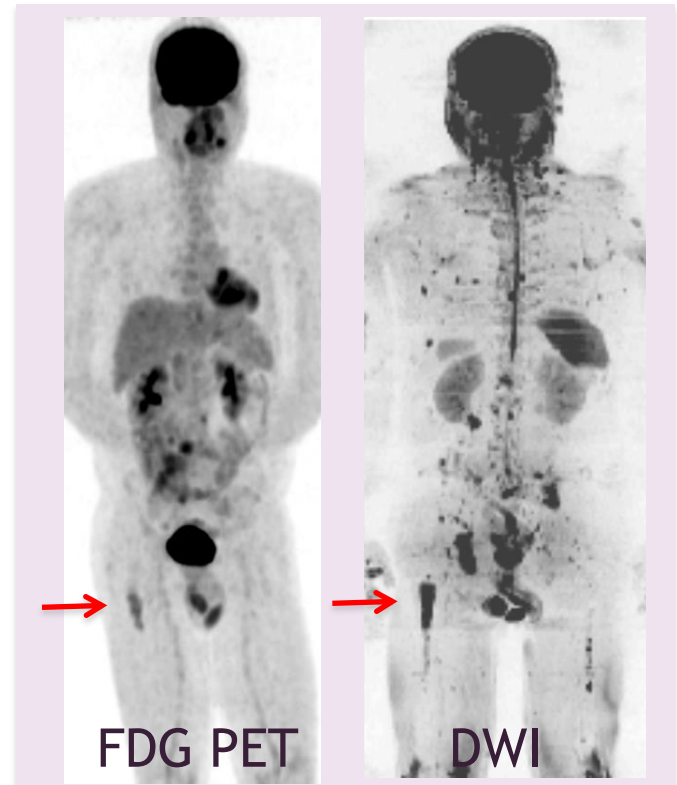
Zamagni Haematologica 2007, Shorrt AJR 2009, Dimopoulos Leukemia 2009



T1W MRI  
Sen 68%, Spec 83%

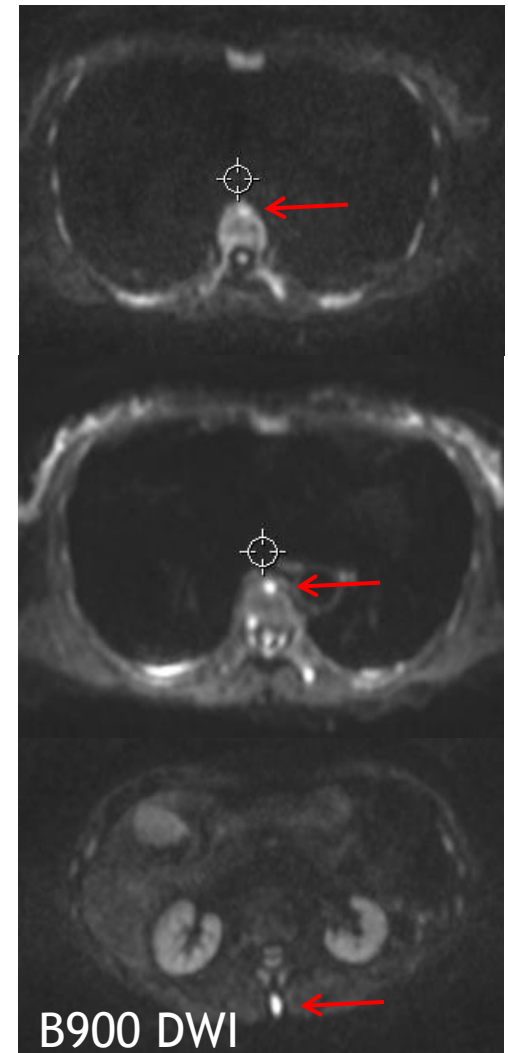
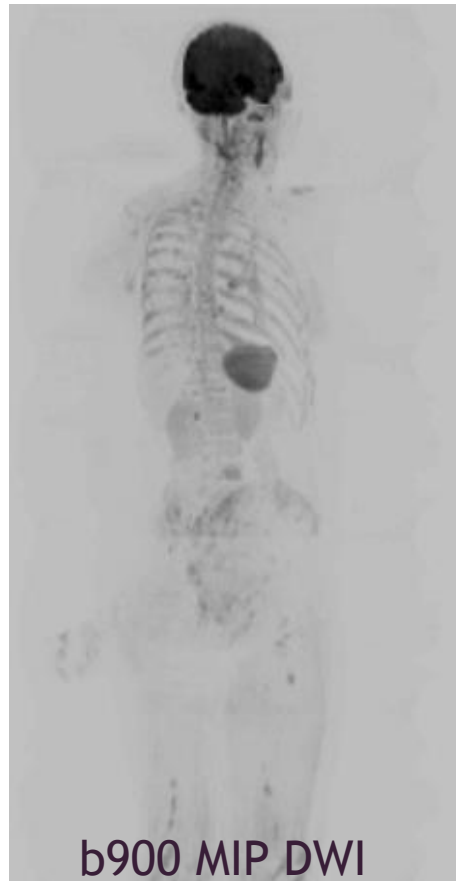
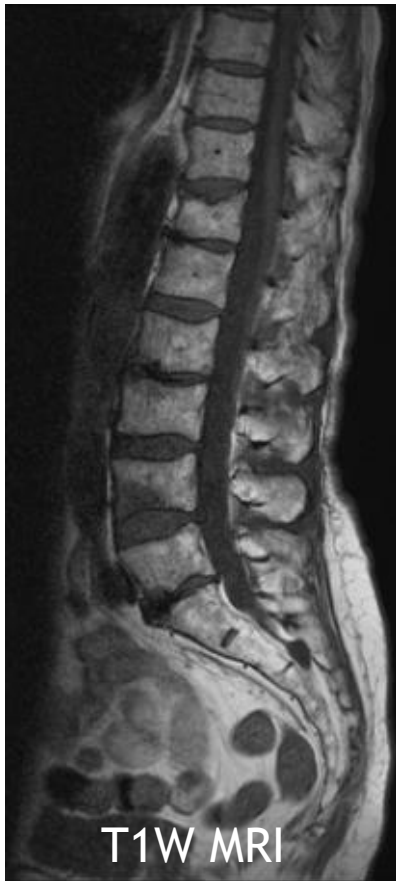


FDG PET  
Sen 59%, Spec 75%



## Case 2 - Detection

72 year old woman. Poor trephine ? Solitary site ? Radiotherapy



# Case 3 - Restaging

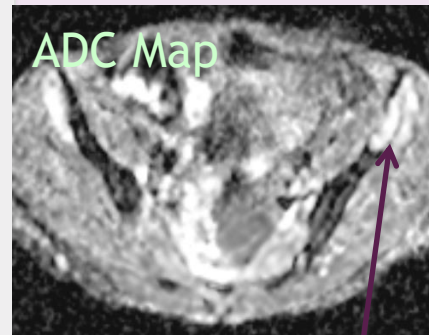
63 year old. Hx of myeloma. Rising paraproteins.

Low Dose WB CT



Bone defect.  
? significance

WB - DWI



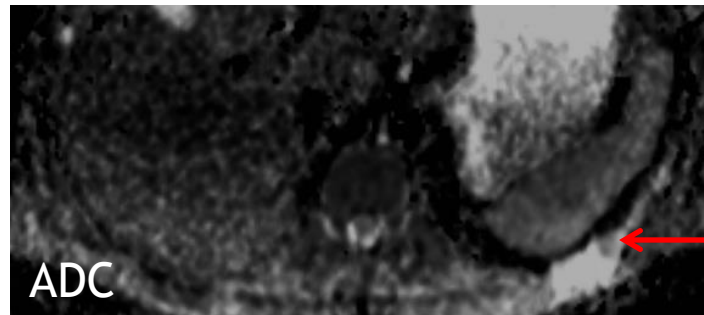
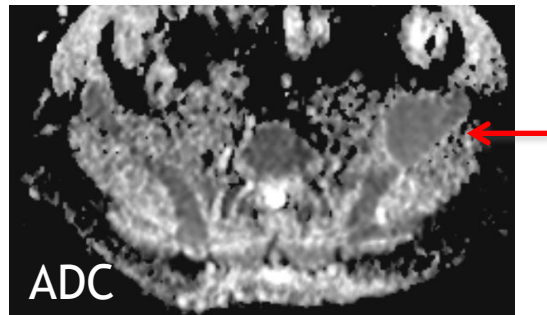
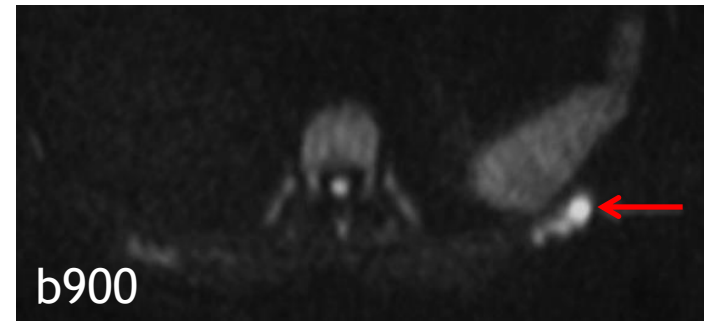
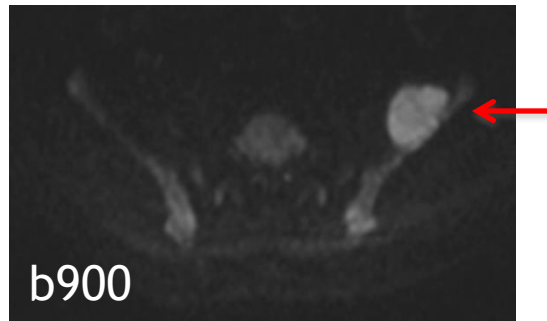
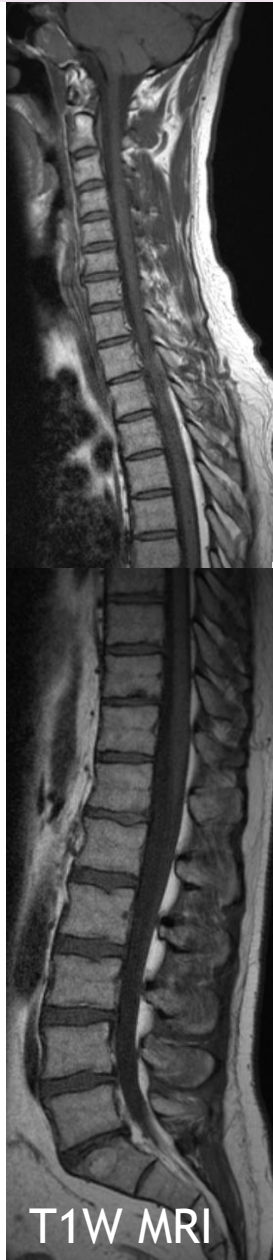
Very High ADC  
Acellular bone  
defect.





# Case 4 - Restaging

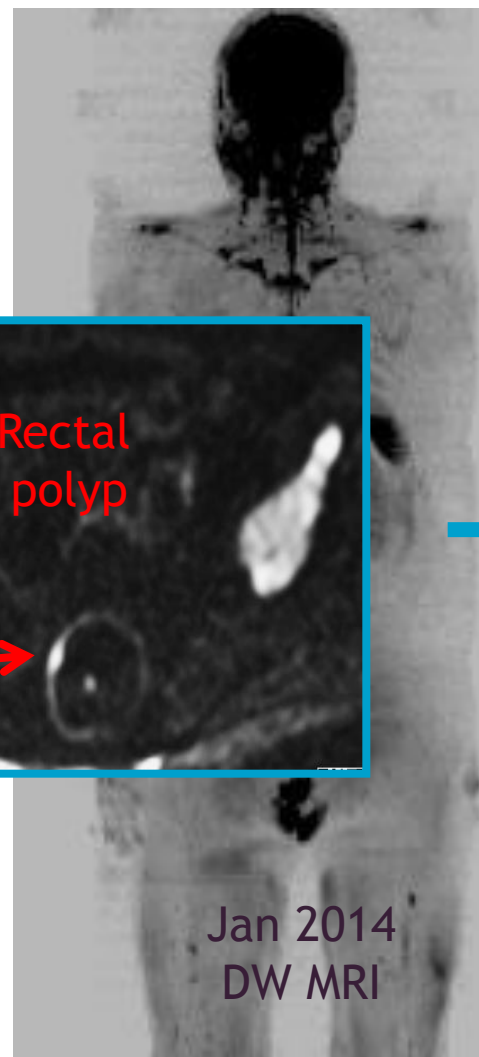
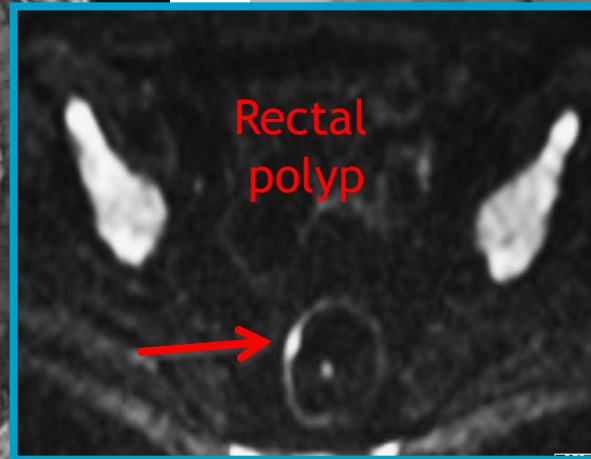
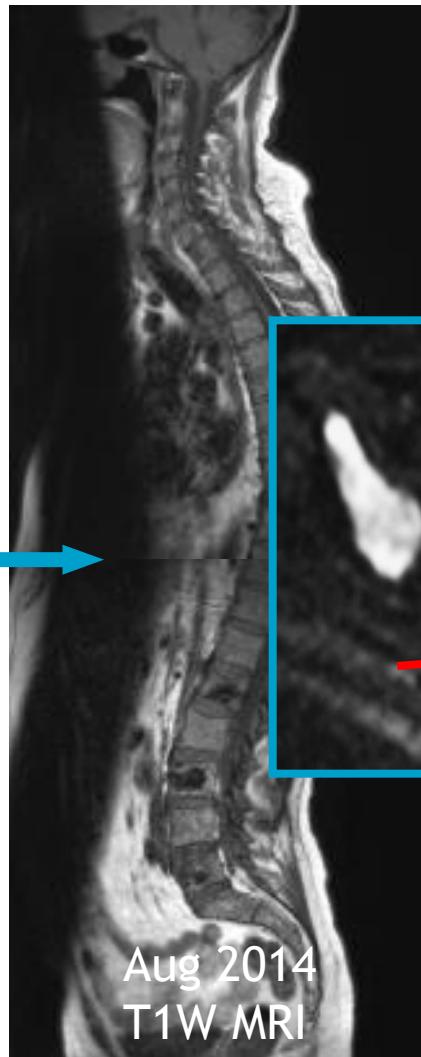
54 year old woman. Hx of solitary rib plasmacytoma



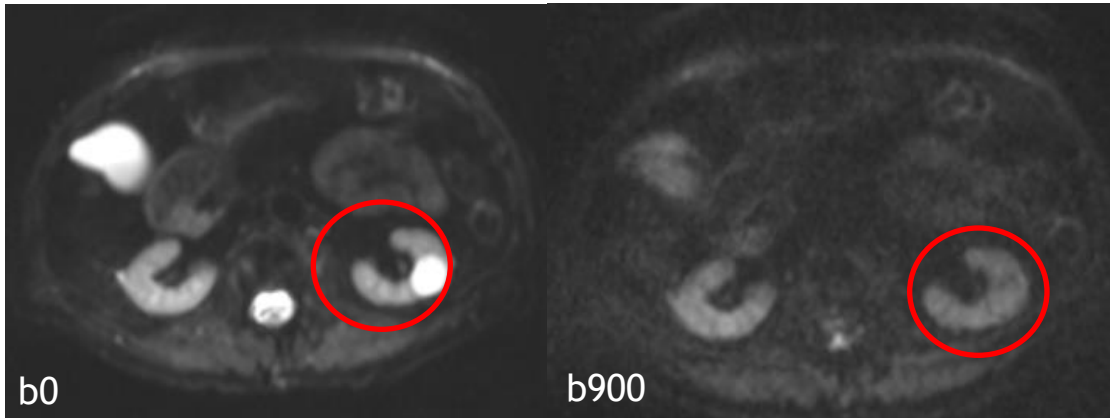
Differentiation of active and inactive sites

# Case 5 - Surveillance

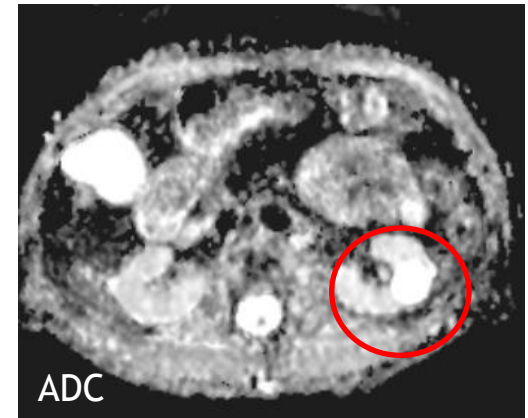
53 year old man. Non secretory myeloma. On surveillance



# WB DW-MRI - Incidentalomas



? Renal lesion



Renal cyst

WB DW-MRI 100 prostate cancer patients.

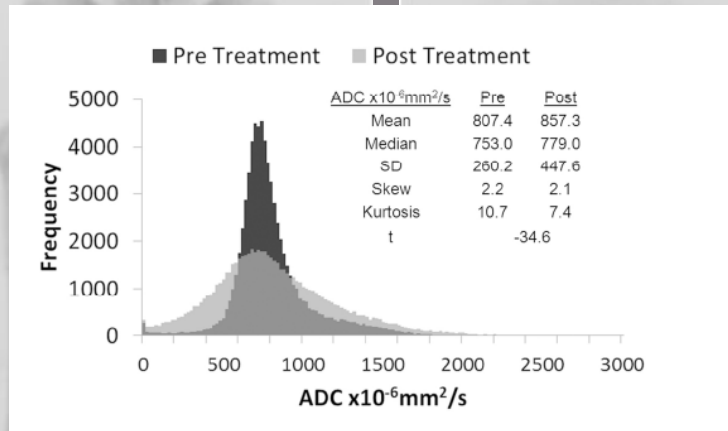
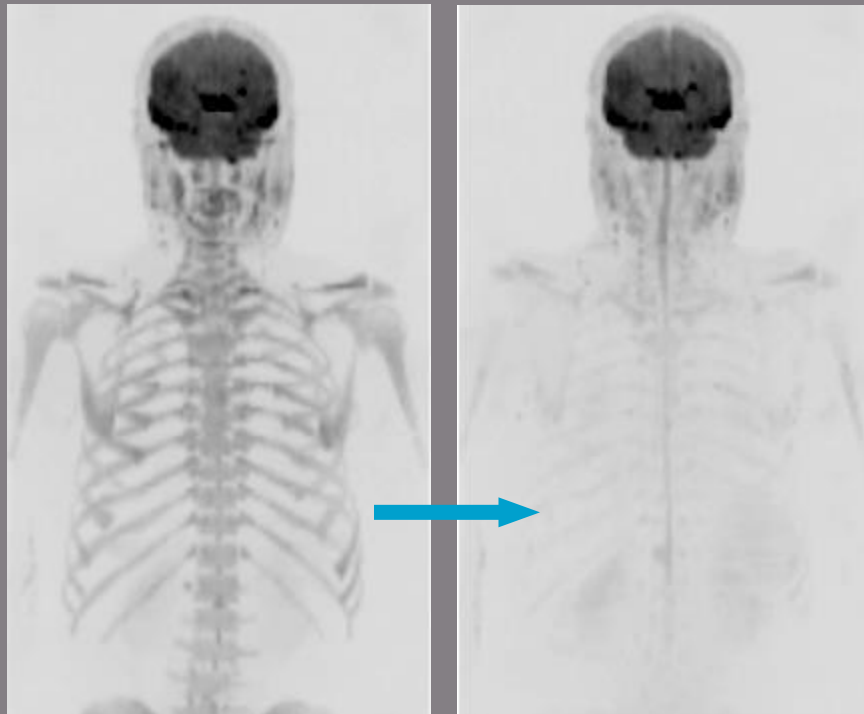
25 incidentalomas:

9 hepatic haemangiomas, 9 cystic renal lesions, 3 solid renal masses, 3 adrenal tumours, 4 aneurysms, 2 thyroid enlargement.

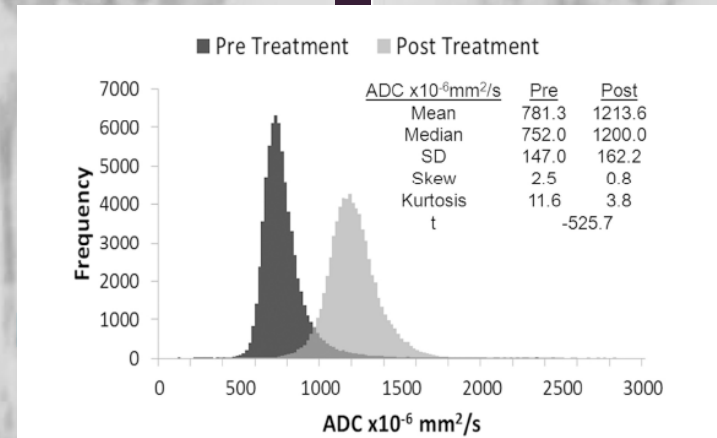
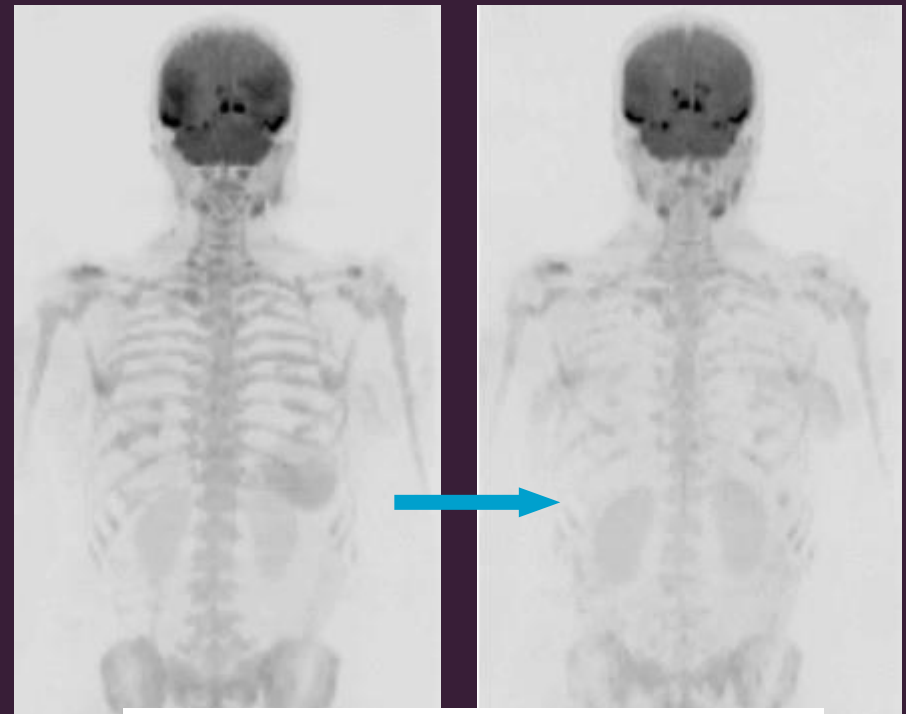
*Lecouvet et al. European Urology 2012*



# Case 6 and 7 - Assessing Response



Case 7



Case 8

# Quantifying treatment response on WB-DWI

Prospective study

26 patients (21 responders, 5 non responders)

2 Observers

WB-DWI baseline and 13 weeks after treatment

Semi quantitative vs quantitative assessment of response.

Gold standard - IMWG response criteria

*Giles et al. Radiology 2014*

# Quantifying treatment response on WB-DWI

Reproducibility of WB-DWI ADC measurements

Normal volunteers : 3.8% cv

Patients : 2.8% cv

*Giles et al Radiology 2014.*

# Quantifying treatment response on WB DWI

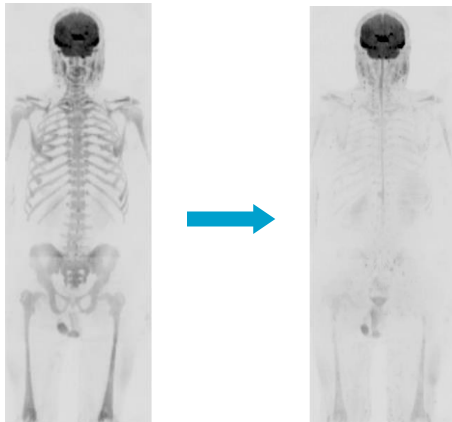
## Semi-quantitative assessment vs quantitative

### Semi-quantitative

Sensitivity 86%  
Specificity 80%

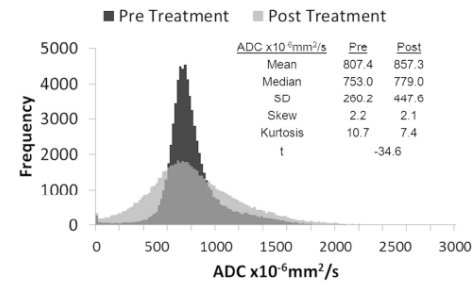
No significant difference  
between observer scores

Complete agreement



### Quantitative ADC histogram

Sensitivity 90%  
Specificity 100%



*Giles et al Radiology 2014.*

# Pre and Post Autograft Imaging

- Pre autograft PET-FL identified an inferior prognosis group defined as low risk by GEP.

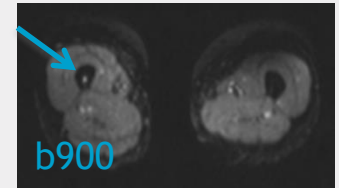
Bartel et al. Blood 2009,114: 2068-2076.

- Persistent uptake after autotransplantation also a reliable predictor of poor prognosis.
- 23% of patients in clinical CR had persistent FDG-FL.

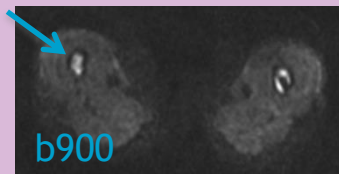
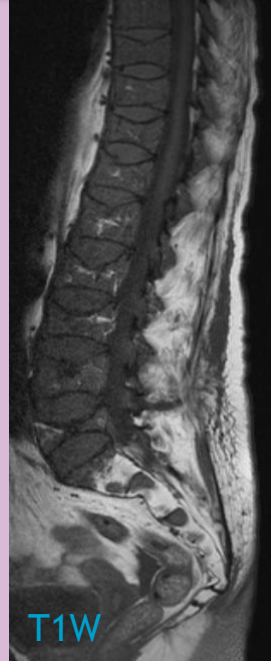
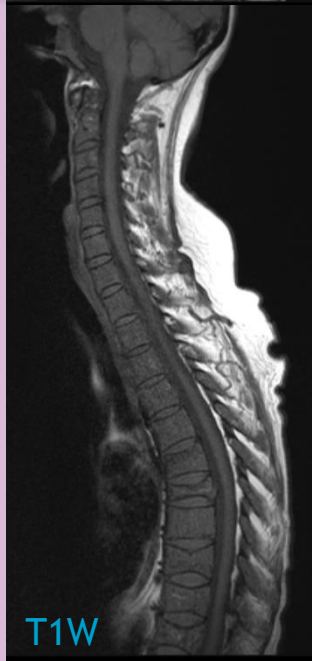
Zamagni et al. Blood 2011,118: 5989-5995.

# Case 8 - Pre and post autograft

3 months  
post  
autograft

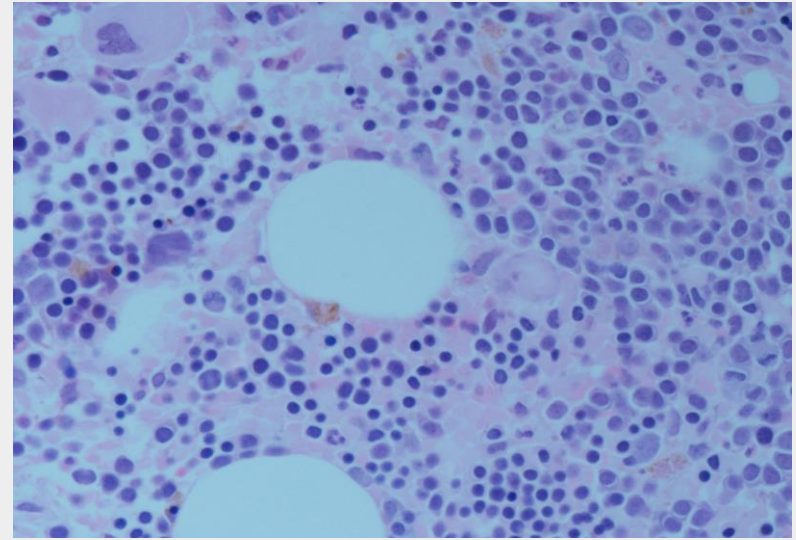


Pre  
autograft

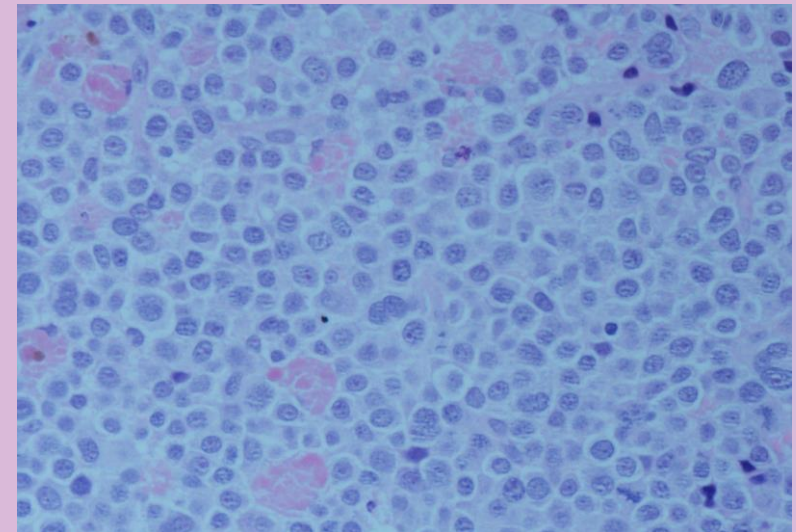
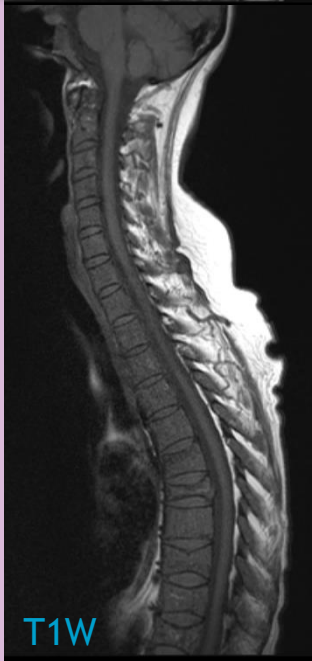


# Why does T1 signal remain stable?

3 months  
post  
autograft



Pre  
autograft

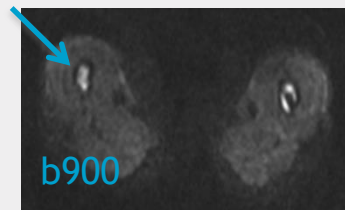


*Histology courtesy of Dr S O'Connor*



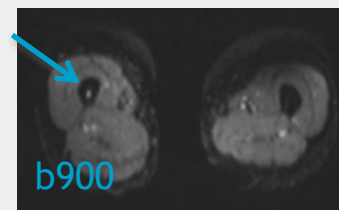
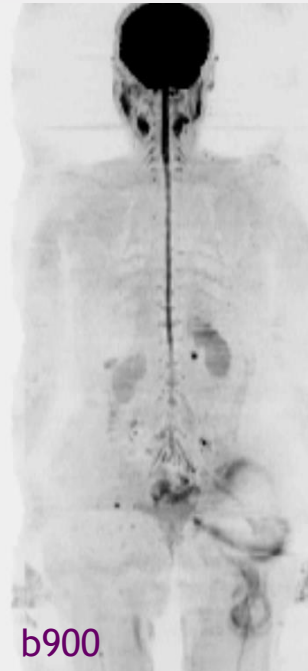
# The significance of post autograft abnormal signal ?

Diffuse



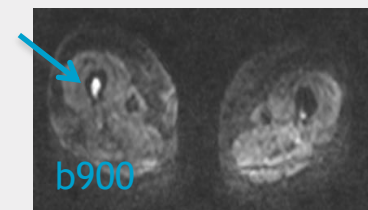
Pre  
autograft

Small volume residual



3 months post  
autograft

Multifocal

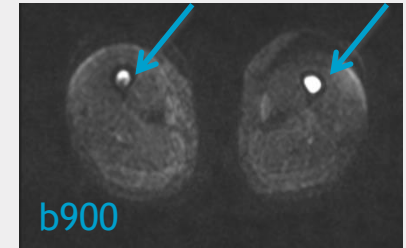
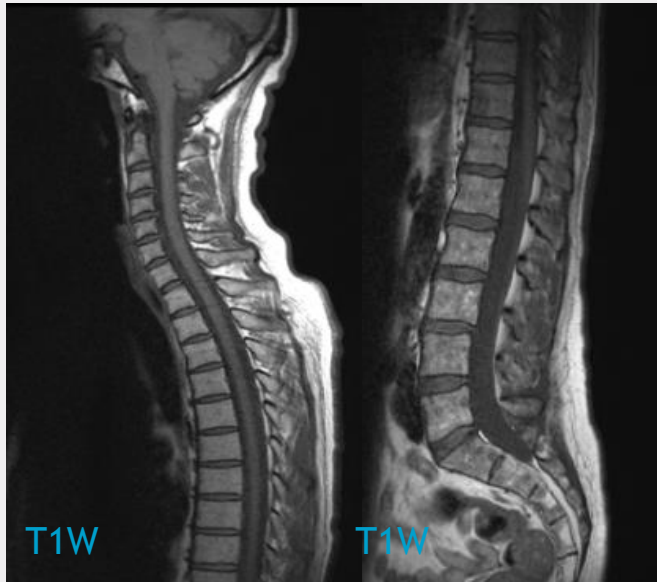


8 months post  
autograft

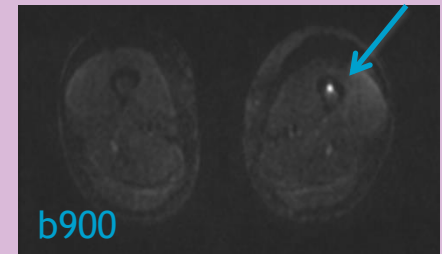
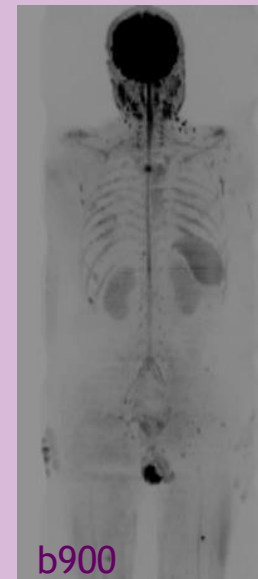
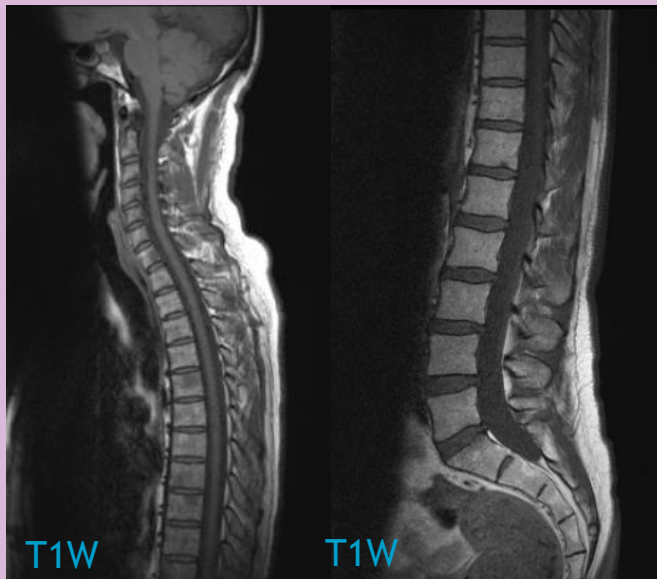


# Case 9 -Post autograft

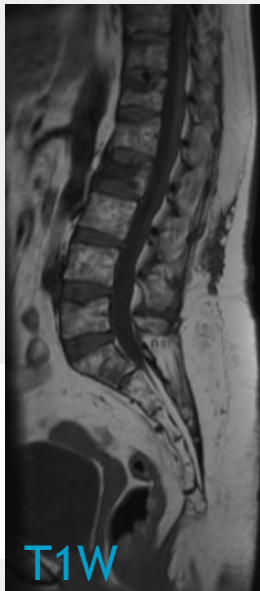
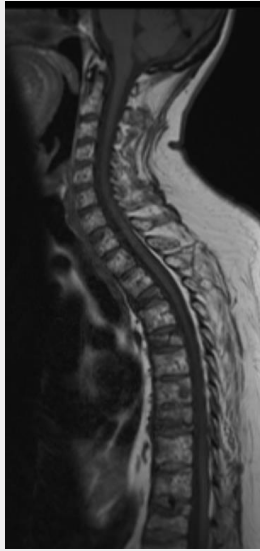
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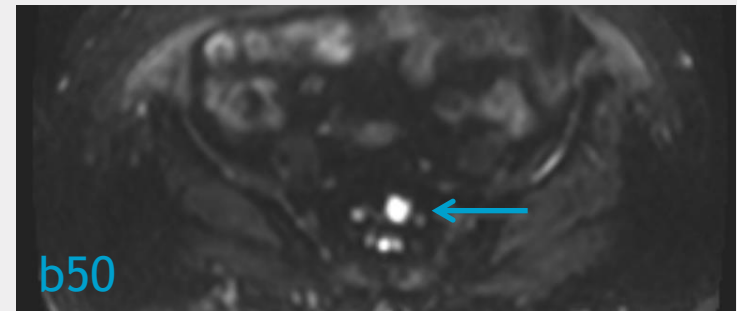
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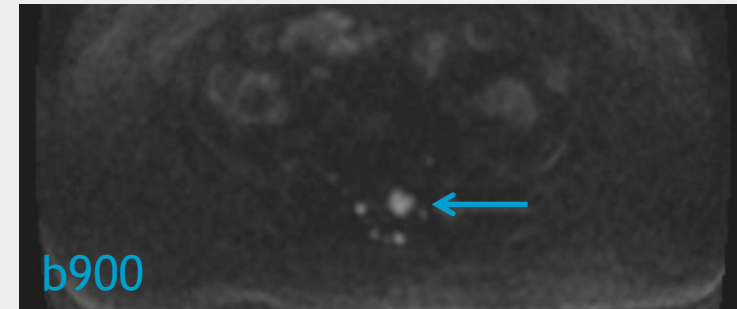
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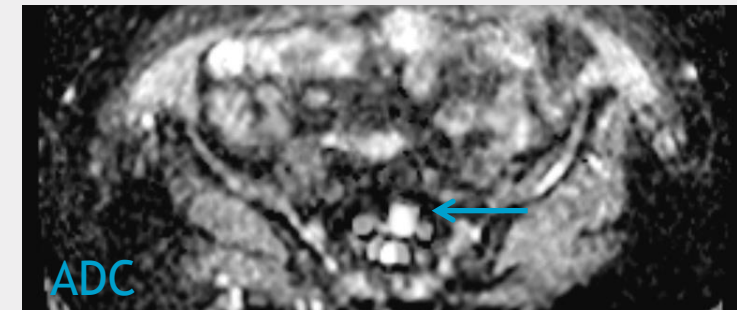
b900



b50



b900



ADC

iTIMM

## Image Guided Theranostics in Multiple Myeloma

Prospective Observational Study

To compare the relationship of WB-DWI prior to induction, post induction, 3 months post autograft and outcomes.

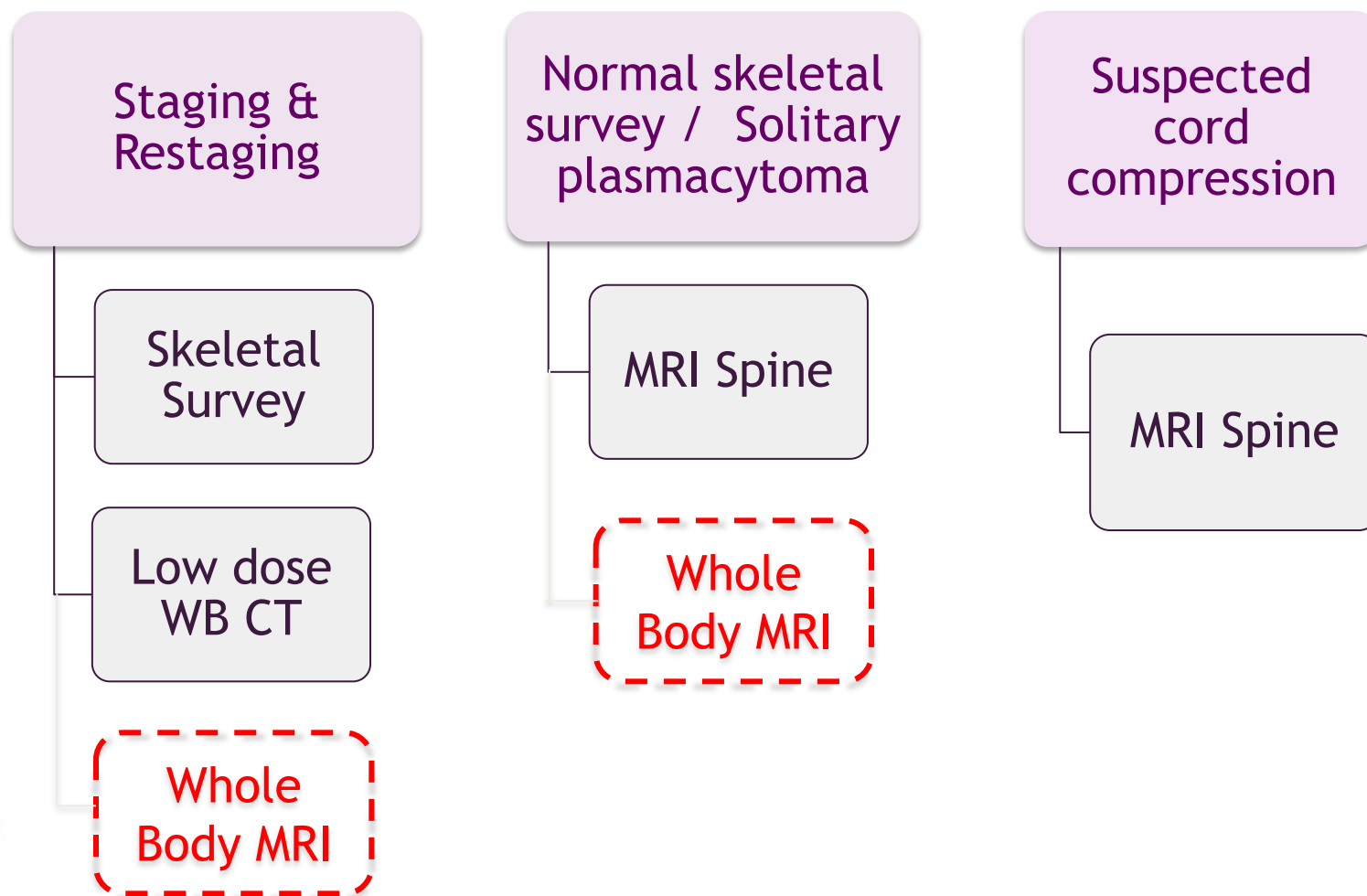
WB-DWI vs FDG PET/CT at baseline

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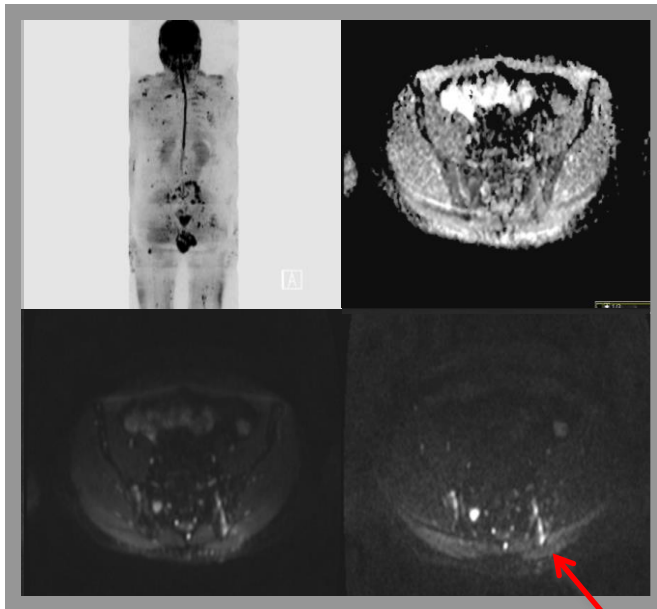
# Whole Body MRI

No ionising radiation, No iv contrast, No sampling errors

Quantitative  
Burden and Response  
Diffuse and Focal

Whole body coverage  
Detect extramedullary  
disease

Mechanical complications  
Benign vs malignant  
Threat to cord

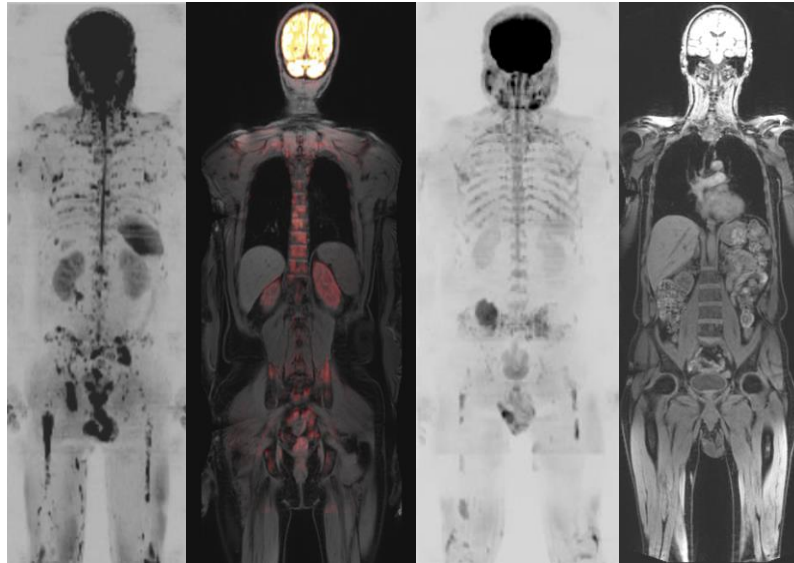


Fracture Risk

Increased sensitivity  
for diffuse infiltration

Guide Bx  
Is trephine representative?

# The Future of WB DW-MRI



WB DW-MRI : A new gold standard?

But does it help us and at what cost?

WB DW-MRI vs FDG PET/CT as a prognostic and predictive biomarker

Clinical trials incorporating imaging as a decision making tool



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