

# ADVANCED WHITE MATTER IMAGING VISUALIZATION FOR RADIOSURGERY IN ELOQUENT BRAIN AREAS

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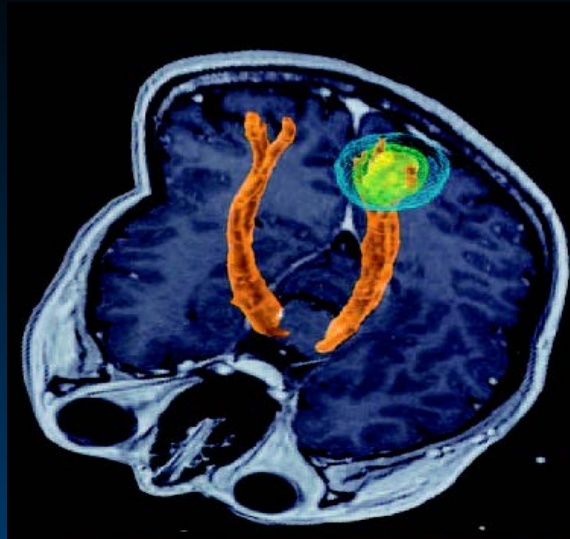
# RADIO-SURGICAL PLANNING WITH TRACTOGRAPHY

## RADIOSURGERY Vs SURGERY

- GREATEST ADVANTAGE
  - NO BRAIN SHIFT
- GREATEST DISADVANTAGE
  - NO INTRAOPERATIVE NEUROPHYSIOLOGY

COMMON ENEMY : MRI DISTORSION

# Maruyama K, IROBP 2008




- ◆ The internal capsule was considered more sensitive than other regions, probably due to higher fiber concentration
- ◆ The tolerable dose of the CST resulted greater than that previously reported
- ◆ 5% risk of motor complications was related to a maximal dose of 23 Gy

# Integration of CST Reduces Motor Complications After AVM's Radiosurgery

Koga T, Shin M, Maruyama K, et Al.

Department of Neurosurgery. The University of Tokyo Hospital  
JRBOP (Int J Rad Onc Biol Phys 2011)



GROUPS	CST-T	N° pts	Obliteration rate at 4 yrs	Morbidity
A	No CST	28	69 % n.s.	18 %
B	CST Yes	24	76 % n.s.	4 % P 0.021

# DO YOU THINK INTEGRATION OF TRACTOGRAPHY IN GKRS PLANNING CAN BE USEFUL?

1. YES

1. NO

2. ?

# **Diffusion-Tensor Imaging Tractography of the Corticospinal Tract for Evaluation of Motor Fiber Tract Radiation Exposure in Gamma Knife® Radiosurgery Treatment Planning**

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# CST OUR RESULTS

## 2013

GROUPS	STUDY TYPE	N° pts	Obliteration rate at 3 yrs (median)	Morbidity
A	EXPOSURE EVALUATION	18	72 % n.s.	12 %
B	TP MODIFICATION	18	70 % n.s.	6 %

# METHOD

## *Day before radiosurgery:* **DTI and fiber tracking with 3-T MR**



- ✓ **T1-weighted volumetric dataset (1x1x1)**
- ✓ **30 gradient DTI :**
  - Single-channel coil
  - NO Distorsion Correction
- ✓ **Tracking:**
  - Seed - Target ROIs = M1 cortex – CP
  - Not-ROI = basal ganglia, posterior brain stem

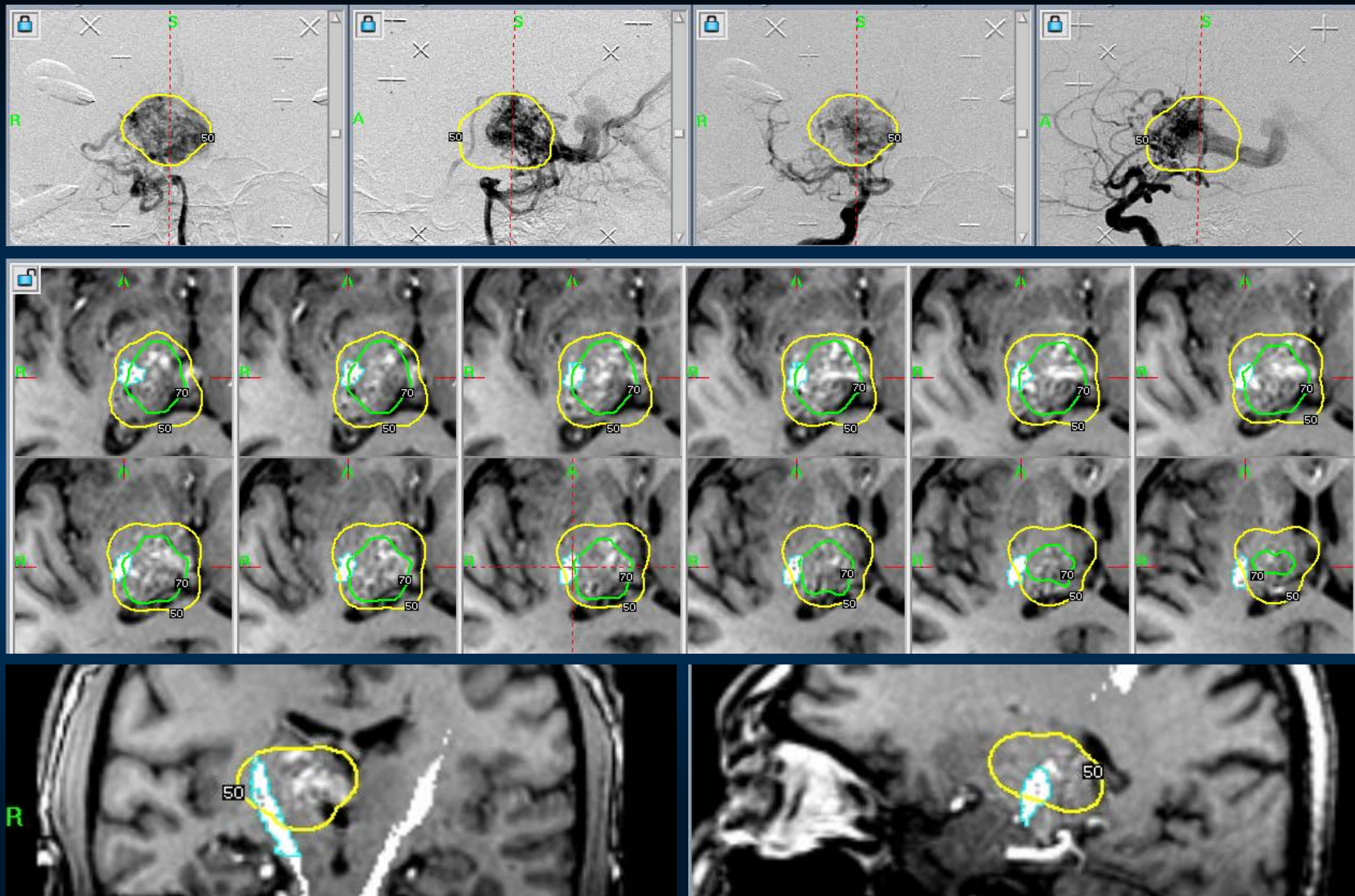
## *Radiosurgery Day* **Stereotactic Leksel Frame 1-T MR**



- ✓ **CE T1 volumetric dataset (1x1x1), axial T2 no gap, MRA**
- ✓ **Stereotactic Catheter Angiography**
- ✓ **Image registration: 3T CST DTI / 3T 3D-T1 / 1T CE 3D-T1**



## Visualization of DTI-TTRACTOGRAPHY of CST during treatment planning



# TECHNICAL IMPROVEMENTS

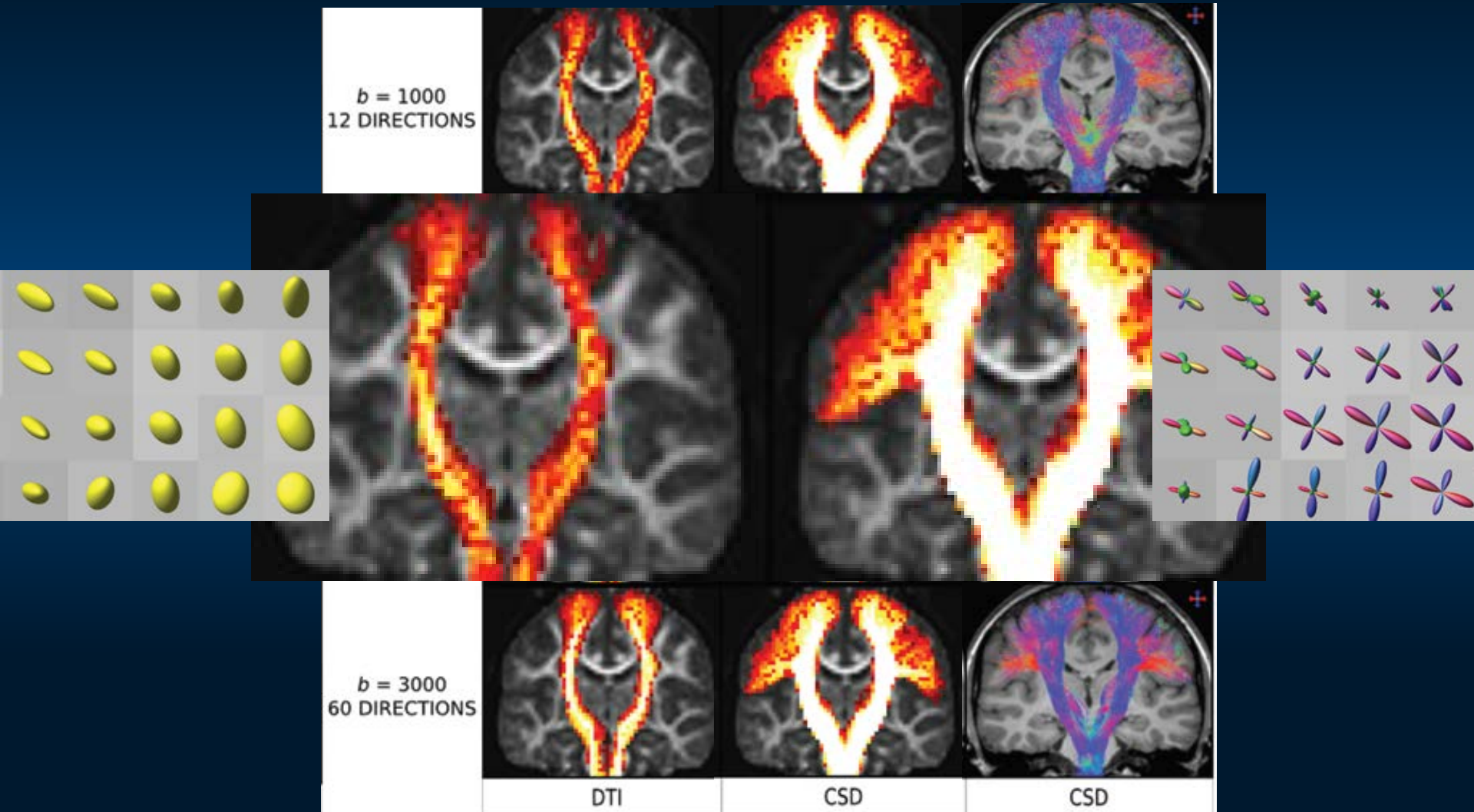
30 gradients	→	60 gradients (HARDI)	} (15')
LOW SENSITIVITY	→	HIGH SENSITIVITY (b-VALUE)	
DTI MODEL	→	SPHERICAL DECONVOLUTION	(2h)
MINIMAL PRE-P.	→	EXTENSIVE PREPROCESSING	(1h)



# SPHERICAL DECONVOLUTION

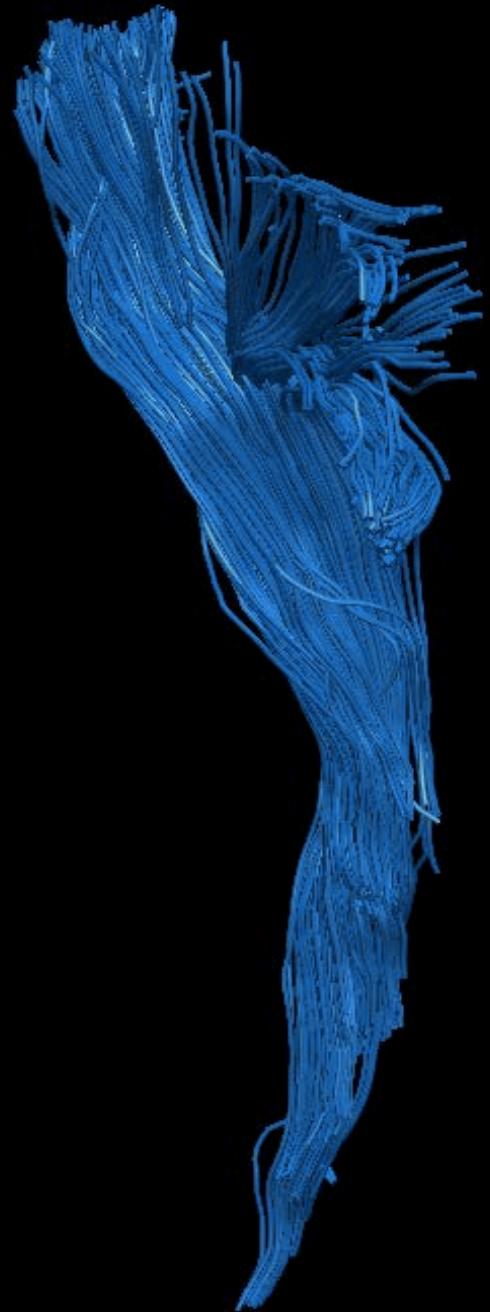
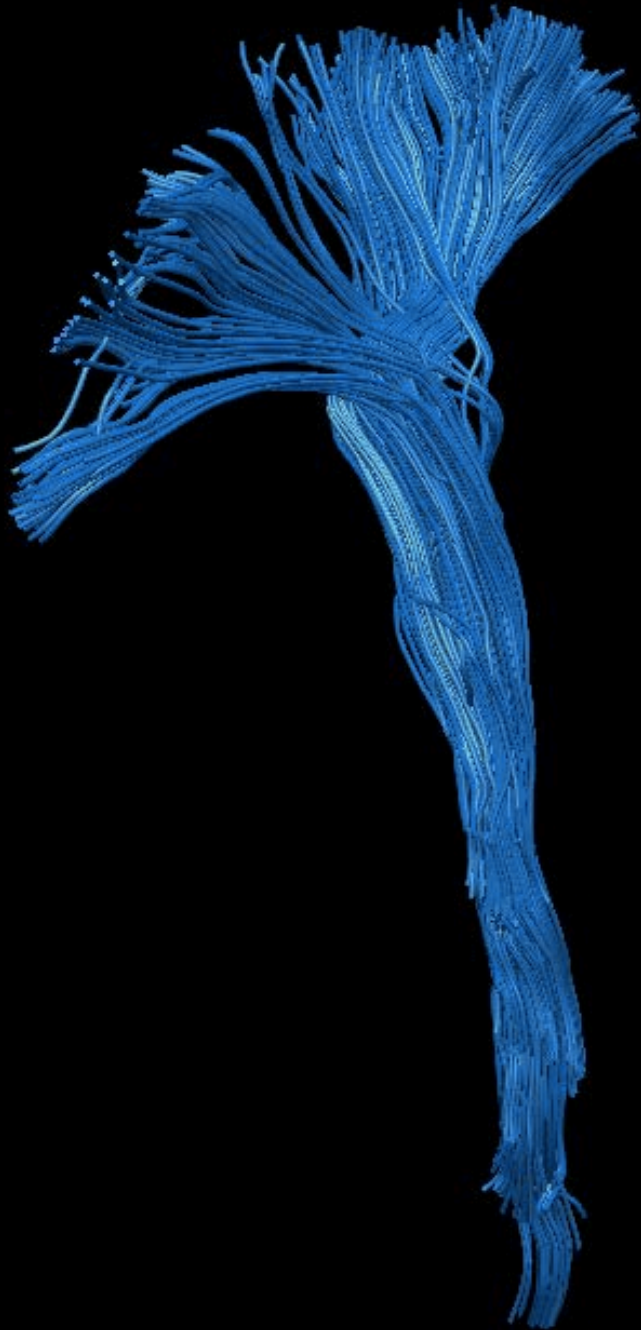
Farquharson et al. JNS 2013

Tractography: why we need to move beyond DTI



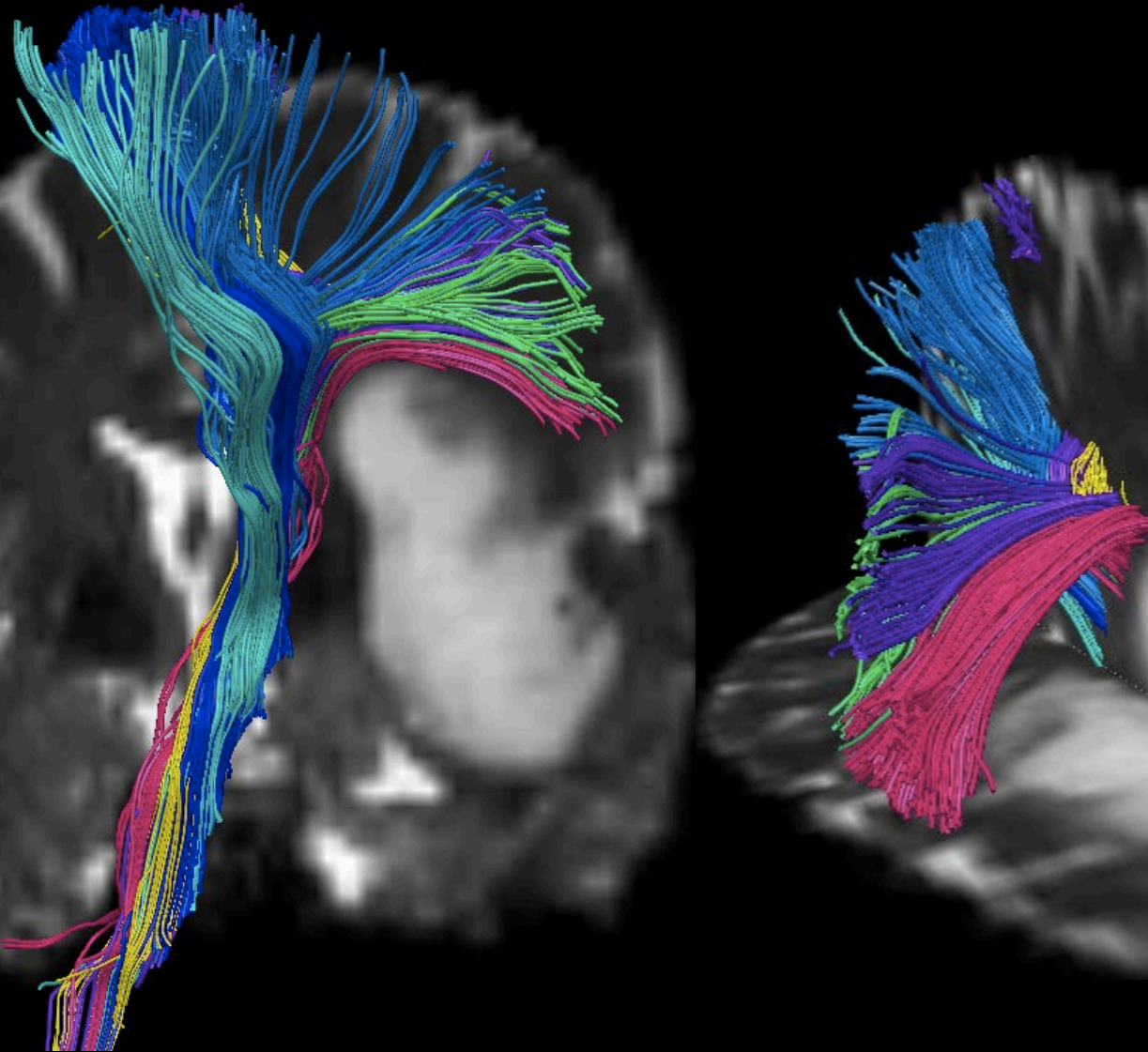


# ANATOMY



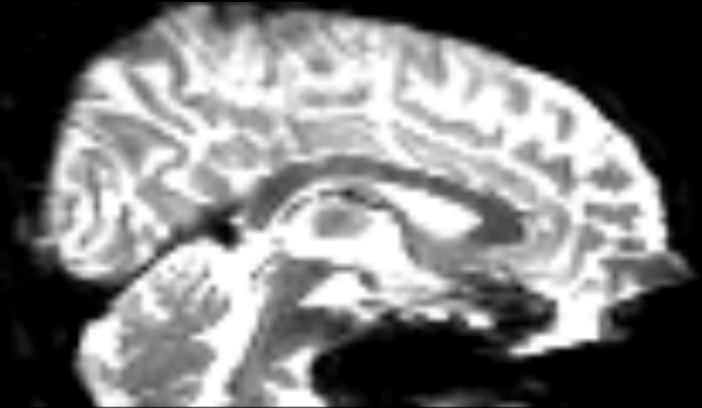
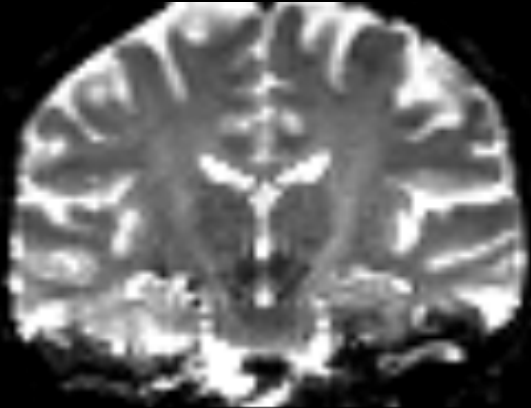
PRIMARY PATHS  
M1 PT

# Grade II GLIOMA



We verified accuracy and selectivity of fibers reconstruction with Spherical Deconvolution (SD) algorithms by means of intraoperative neurophysiology (IoN) mapping and clinical outcome

# PREPROCESSING



**MATHEMATICAL  
DISTORTION  
CORRECTION**

# CASES WITH SD TRACTOGRAPHY

## SURGERY

LGG & HGG

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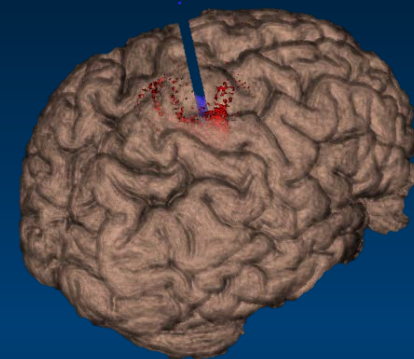
AVM's

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METS

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With IoN



## RADIO-SURGERY

CONVENTIONAL  
DTI

AVM's

37



ADVANCED  
SPHERICAL DECONV.

16



# RESULTS

## FIBRE BUNDLES (STREAMLINES)

### NUMBER of TRAJECTORIES

↑ 27% (SD 8)

### VOLUME of BUNDLES

↑ 33% (SD 11)

### PRECISION in TRACT LOCATION

↑ 20% (SD 7)



# RESULTS

## INTRA-OPERATIVE RESULTS

### Intra-operative Neurophysiology

(Precision and Speed)

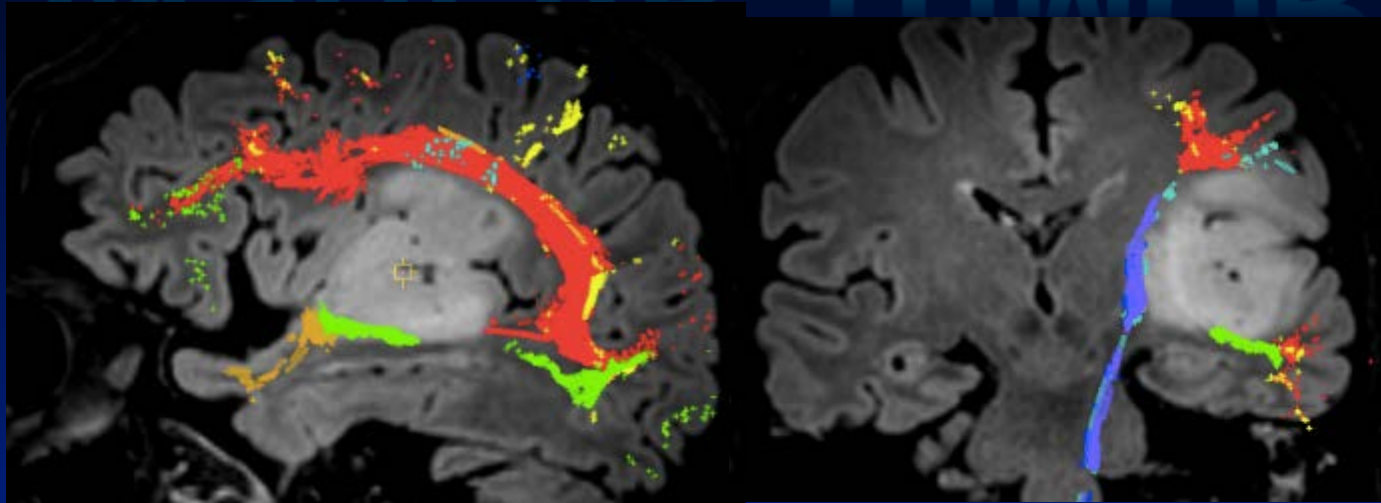
↑ 20%

### Intra-operative Neuropsychology

(Speed)

↑ 12%

# INSULAR TUMOR



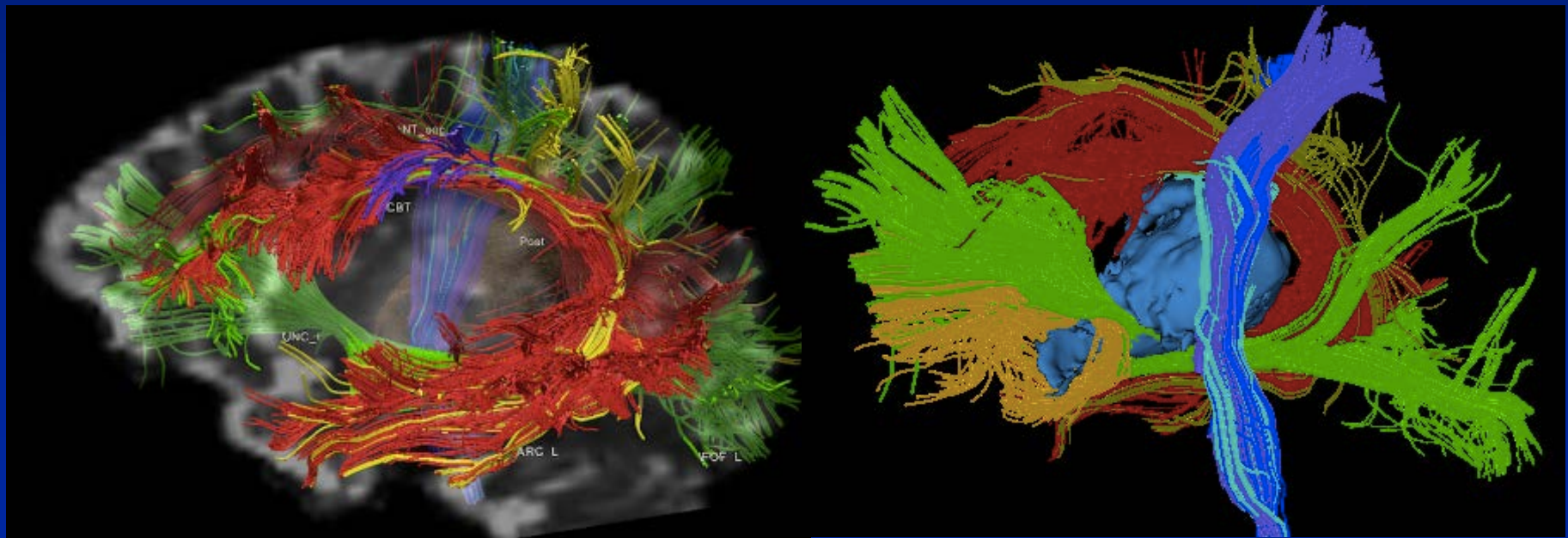
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■ SLF

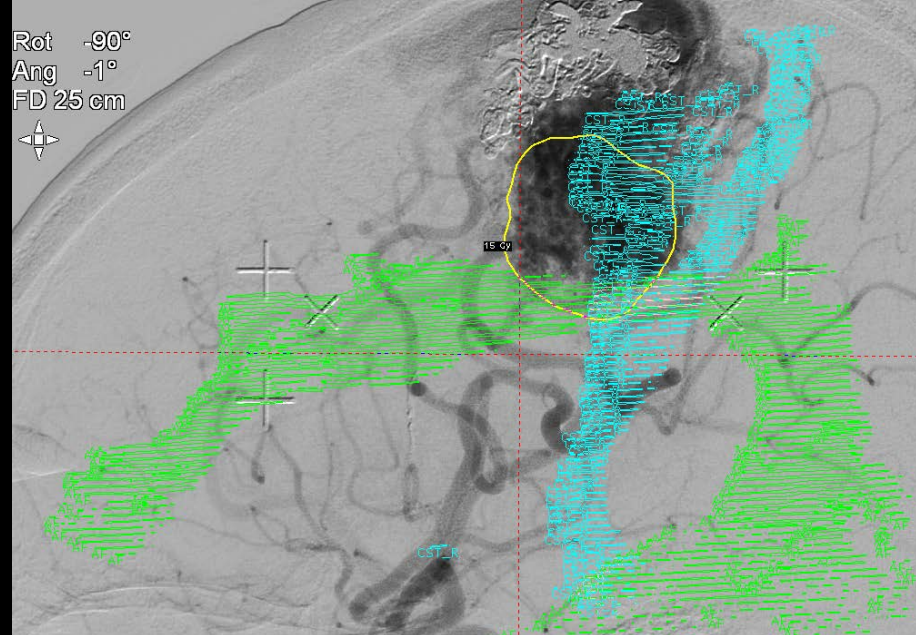
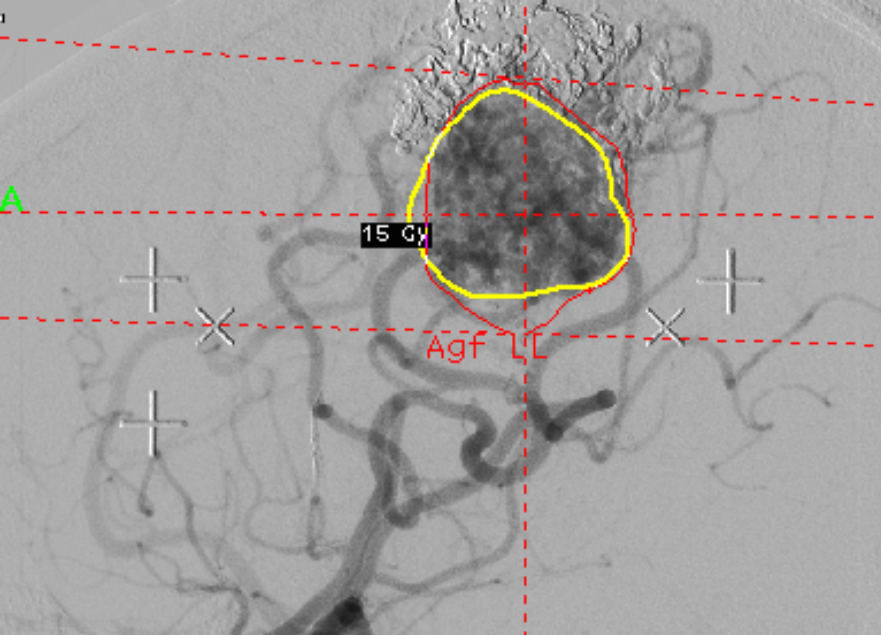
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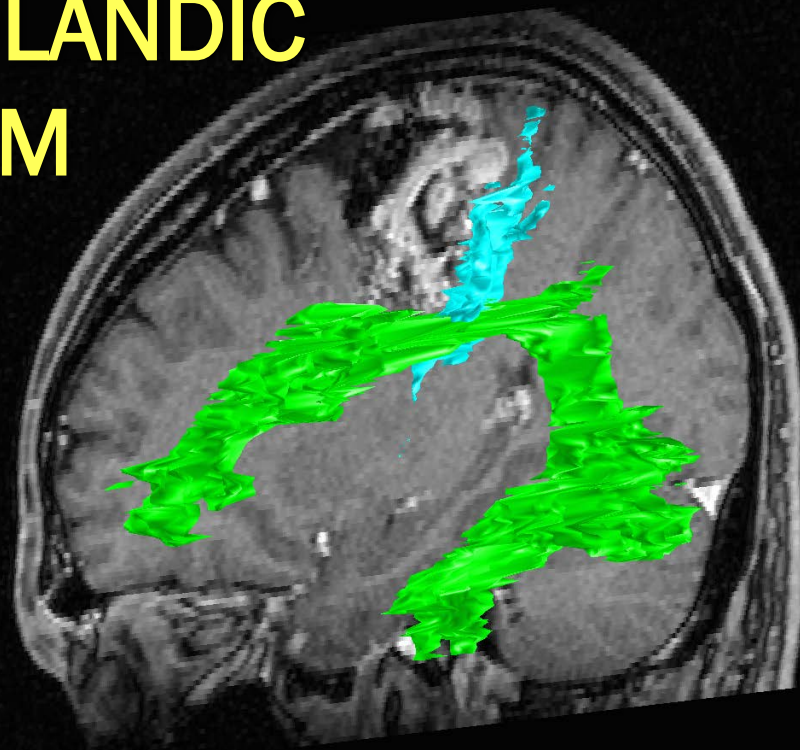
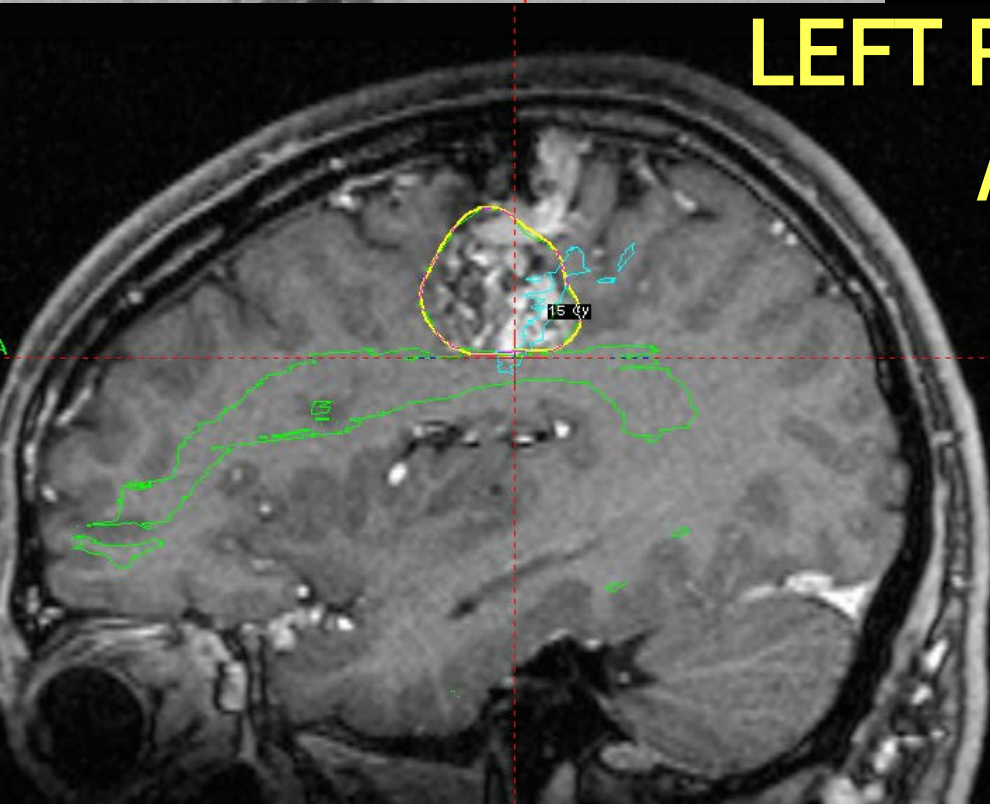
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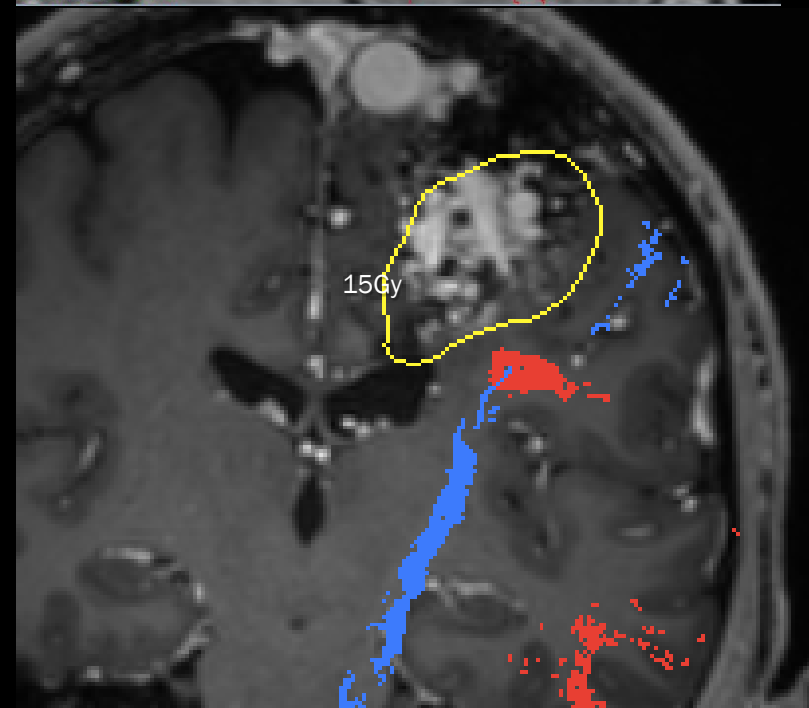
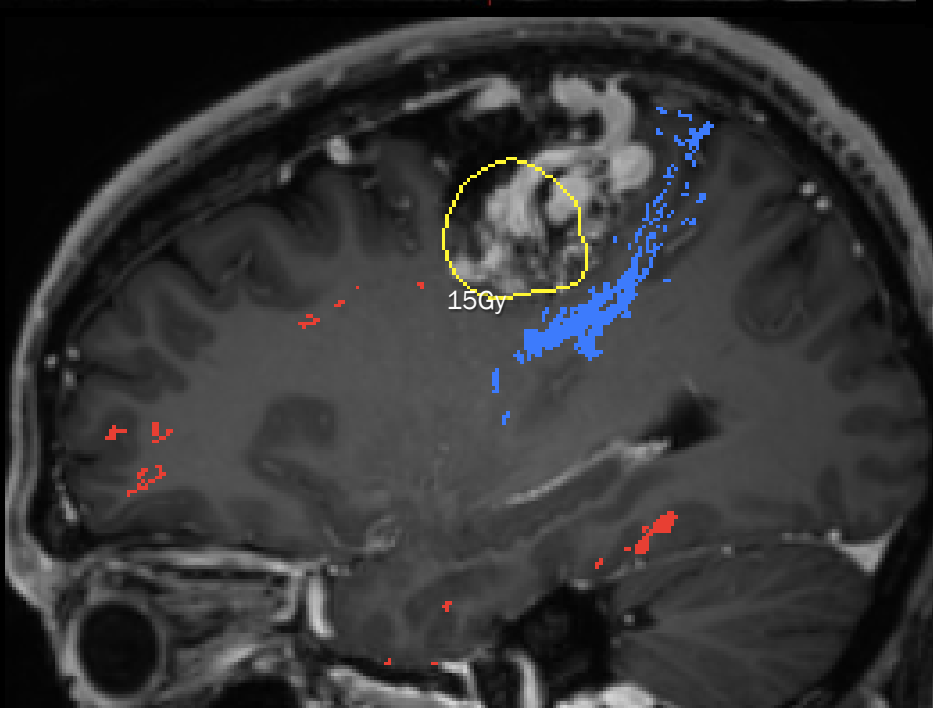
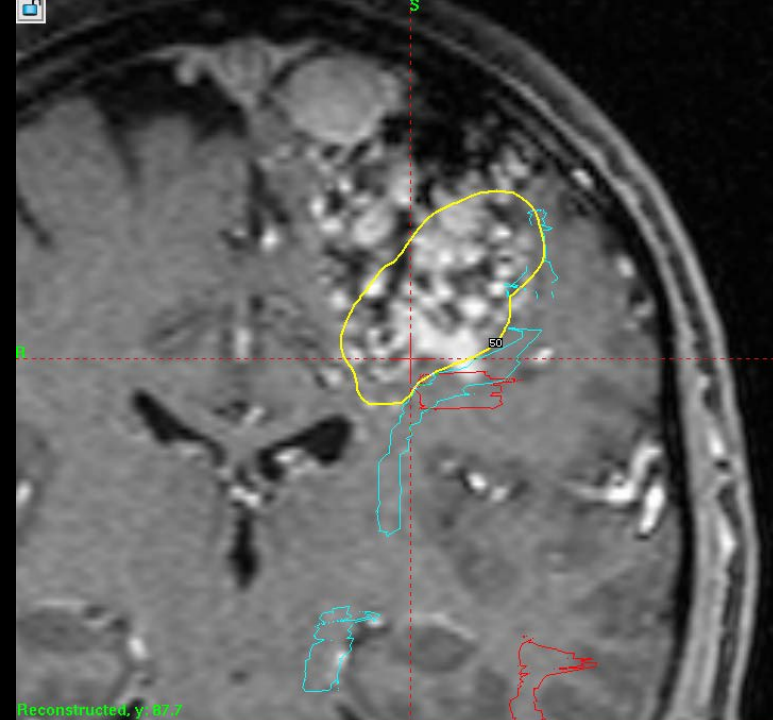
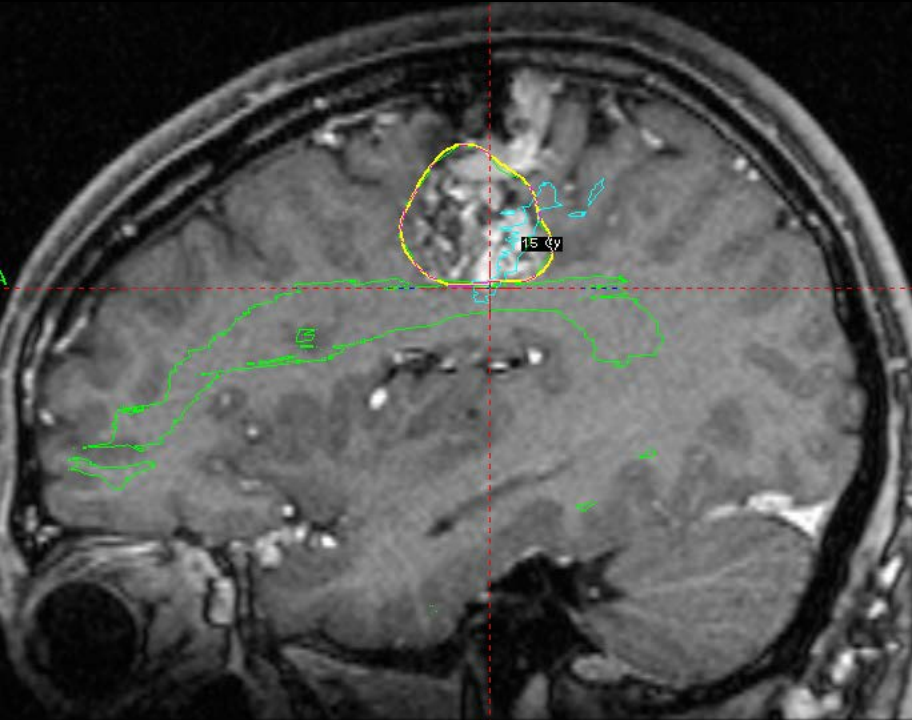




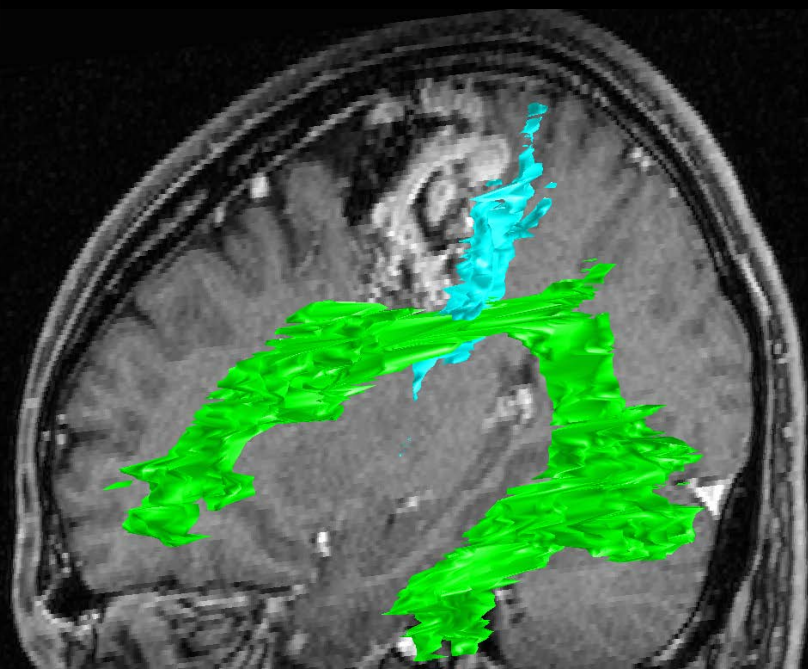
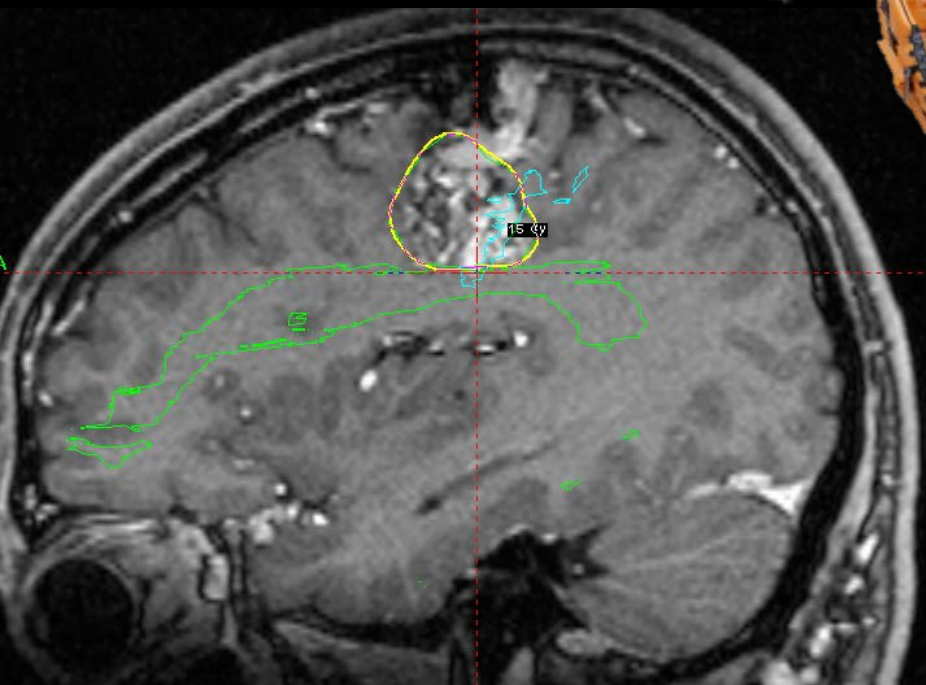
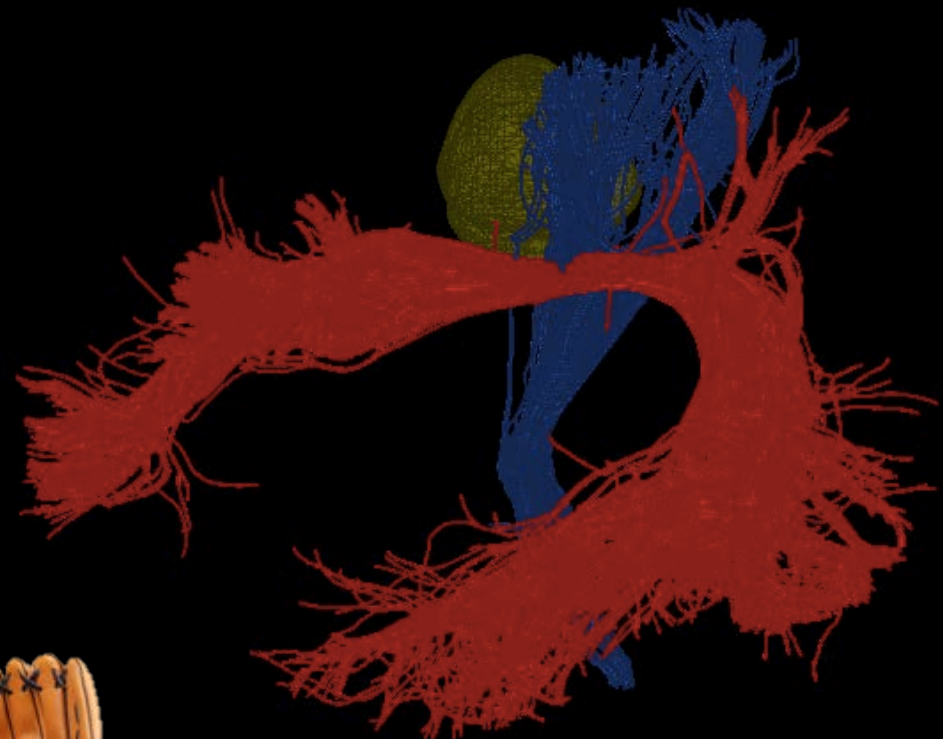
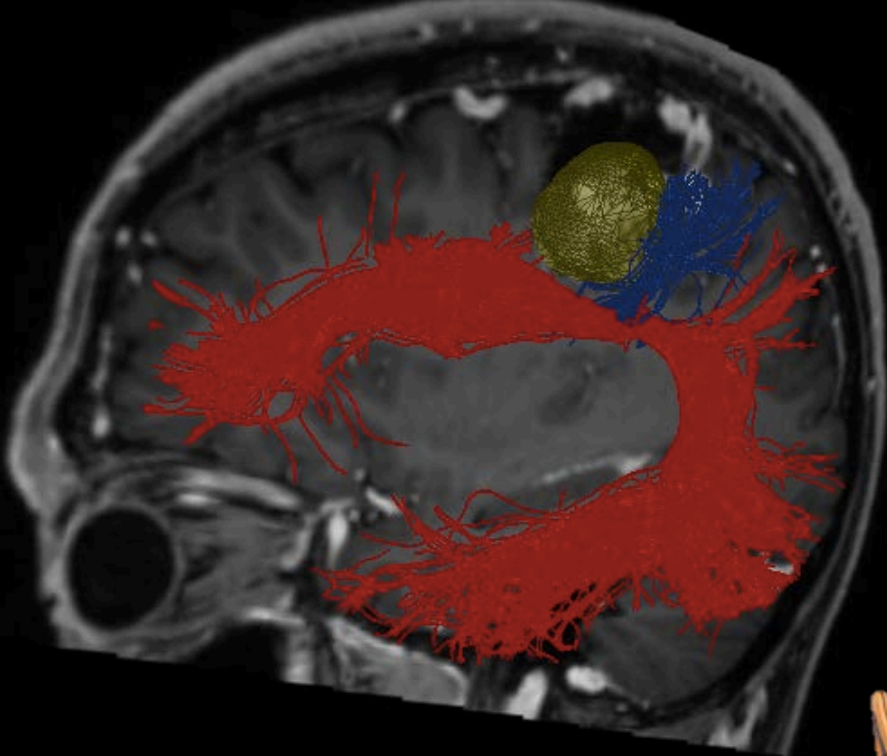


## LEFT ROLANDIC AVM

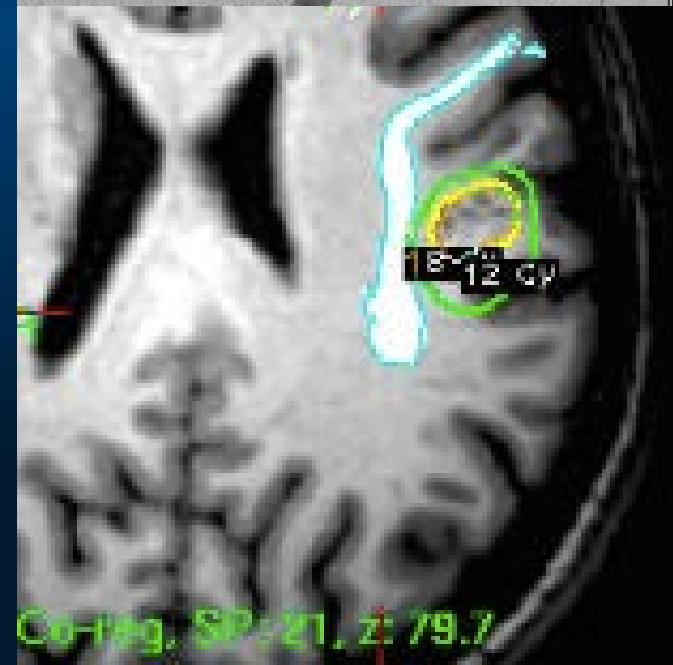
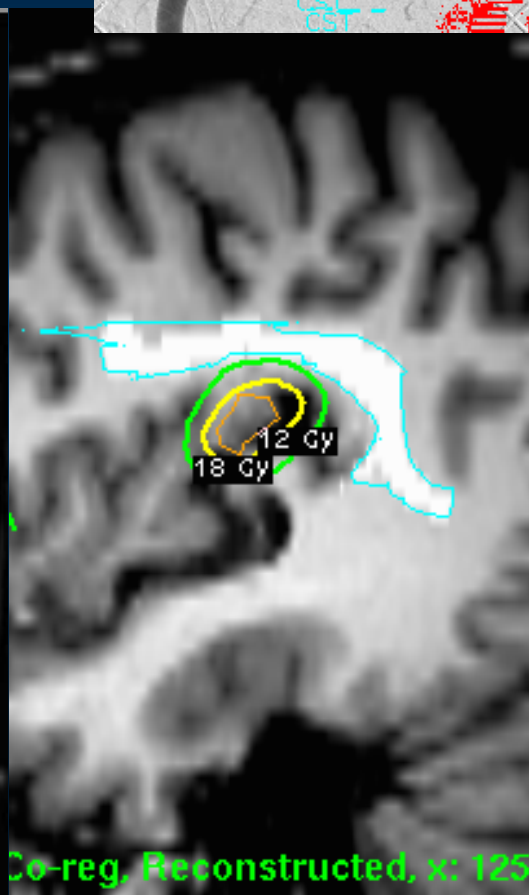
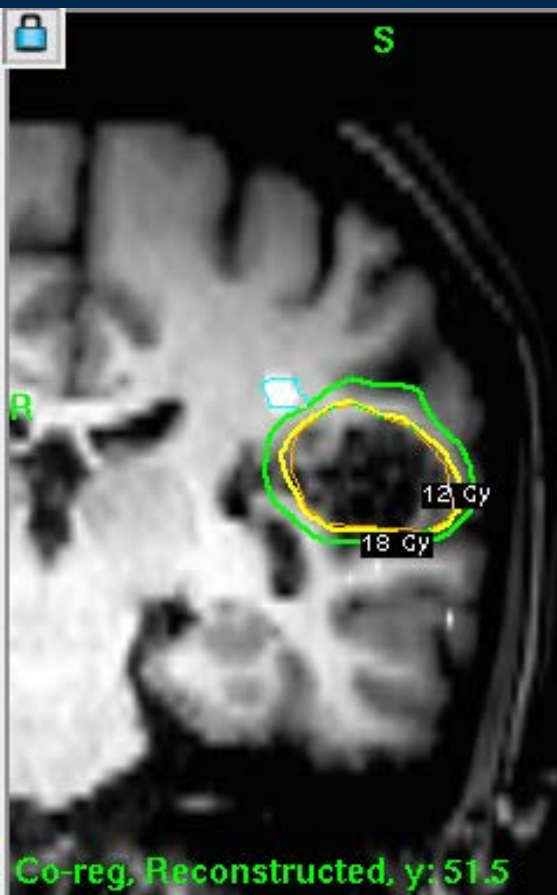
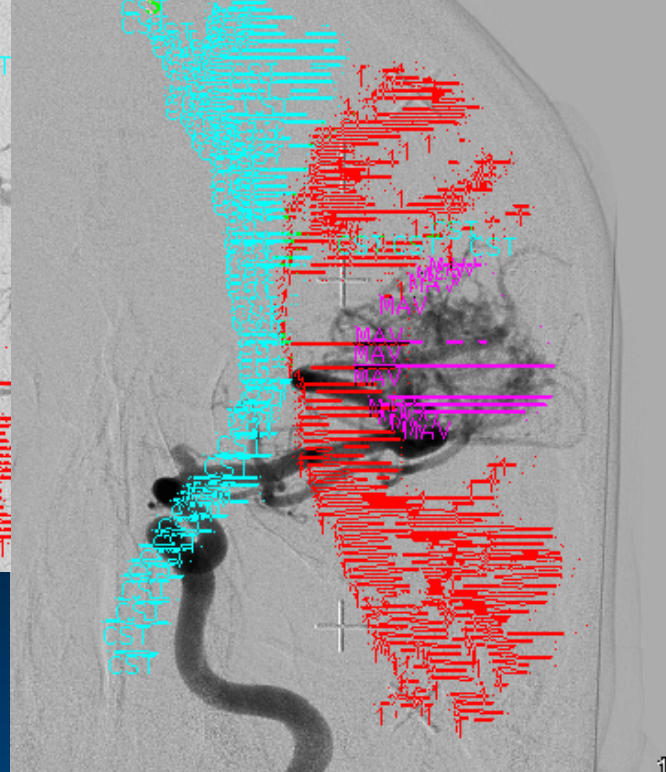
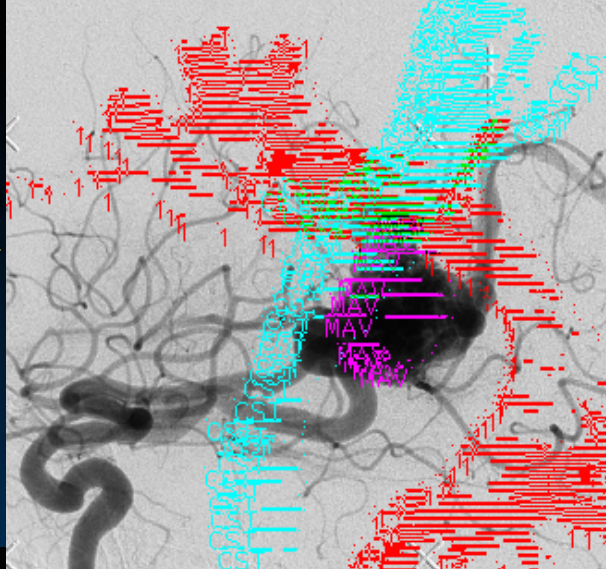




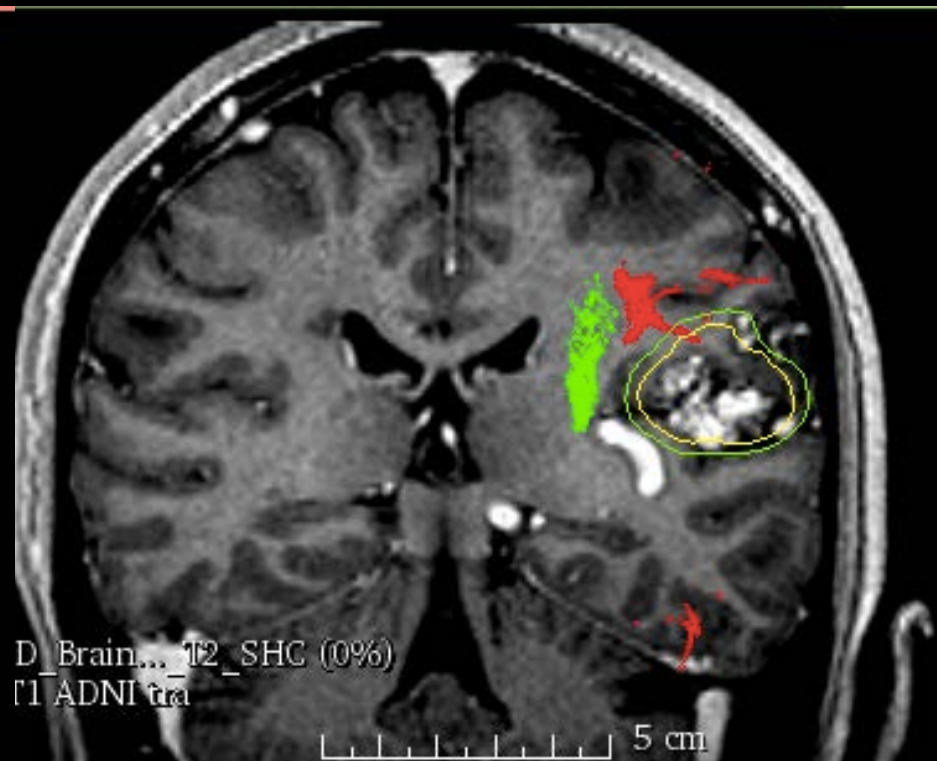
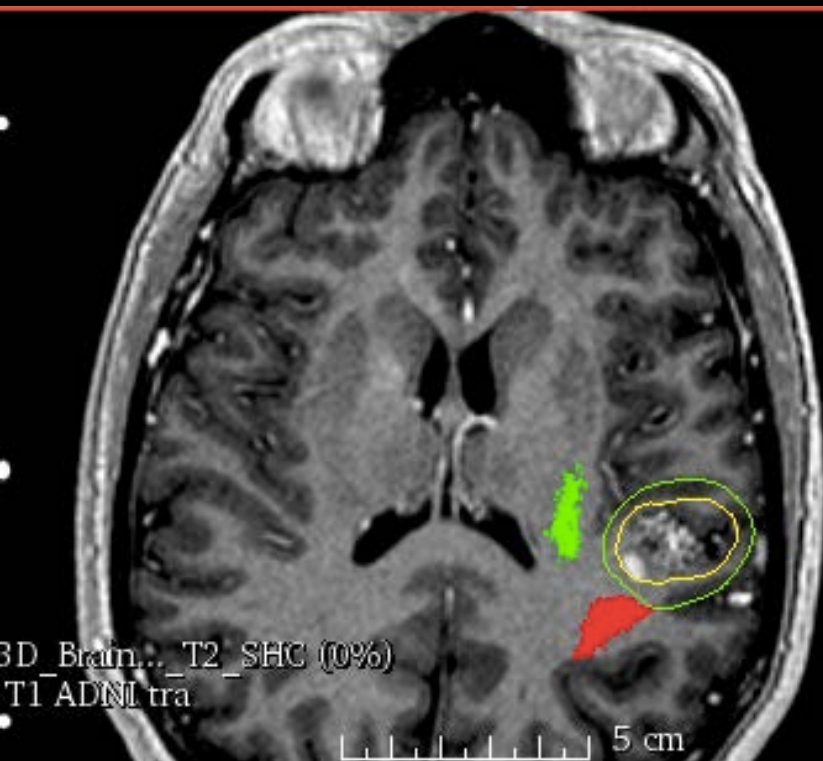
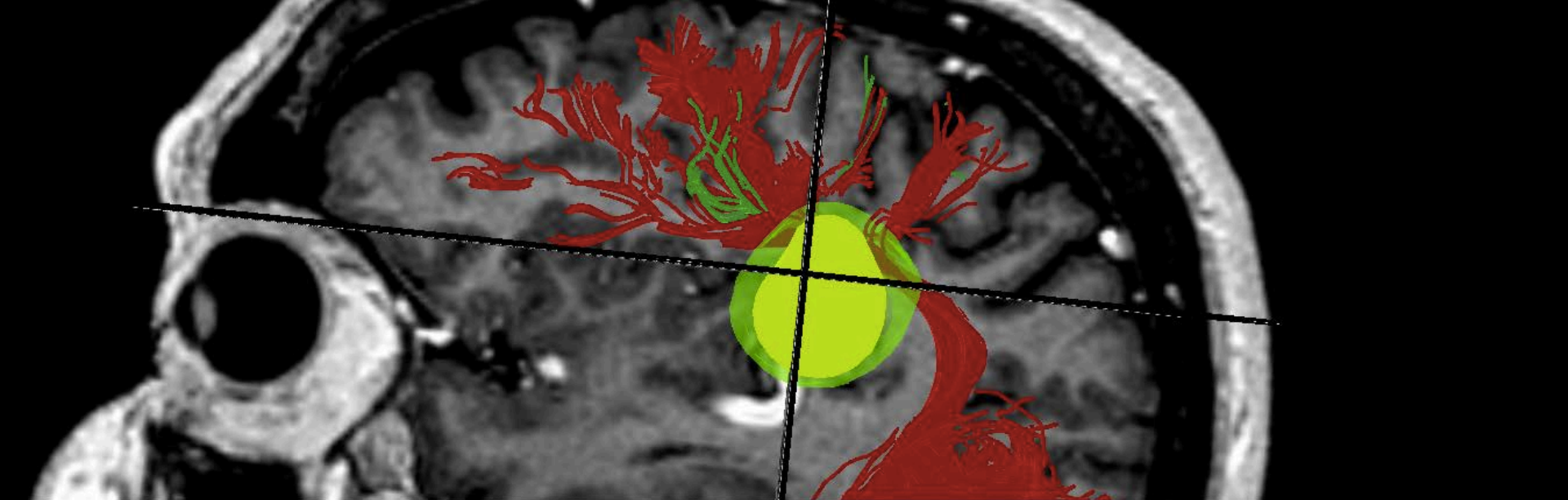




# LEFT INSULAR REGION AVM







# CONCLUSIONS

Advanced Acquisition protocols, new Algorithms and Image Correction

Enhanced Tractography of White Matter Tracts

IoN techniques Validated our new Pipeline

GKRS preliminary experience



# MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM

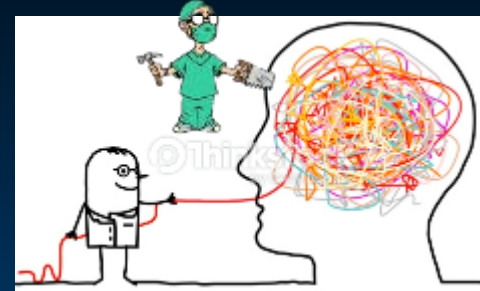
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