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# ACR Core Lab's Trials and Development Involving Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors (RECIST) Measurements

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# ACR Imaging Core Laboratory

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## RECIST Overview:

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- RECIST working group:
  - International in membership: NCI, NCRN-UK, EORTC...
  - Clinical researchers from industry, imaging experts and Cooperative Groups
  
- Intended for use in clinical trials with primary endpoint of objective treatment response
  
- Prospectively collected tumor measurement data from clinical trials: >6500 patients, >18,000 lesions
  
- Tumor burden assessed by summing longest diameters of all measurable lesions (unidimensional)



# RECIST 1.0 and 1.1

Feature	RECIST 1.1	RECIST 1.0
Acceptable target lesions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Target: <math>\geq 10</math> mm *</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Target: <math>\geq 10</math> mm spiral</li> <li>Target: <math>\geq 20</math> mm non-spiral</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Target LN</b> <math>\geq 15</math> mm short axis</li> <li><b>Non-target LN</b> <math>&lt; 15</math> mm and <math>\geq 10</math> mm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LN Not mentioned</li> </ul>
Overall tumor burden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>5 lesions (2 per organ)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 lesions (5 per organ)</li> </ul>
Response target lesions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CR: <b>LN <math>&lt; 10</math> mm short axis</b></li> <li>PD: 20%<math>\uparrow</math> from smallest sum on trial <b>AND <math>\geq 5</math> mm <math>\uparrow</math></b> or new lesion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CR: LN not mentioned</li> <li>PD: 20%<math>\uparrow</math> from smallest sum on trial or new lesion</li> </ul>
Response non-target lesions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unequivocal change representative of overall status</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unequivocal progression</li> </ul>

Assumes slice thickness  $\leq 5$  mm

## Objective Response

Response	Criteria
CR	All target lesions disappear. All non-target lesions disappear. <b>All LN must reduce in size to &lt; 10 mm short axis</b>
PR	$\geq 30\%$ decrease in sum of diameters of target lesions, taking as reference the <i>baseline sum</i>
PD	$\geq 20\%$ increase in sum of diameters of target lesions, taking as reference <i>the smallest sum</i> on study. <b>Sum must increase by an absolute <math>\geq 5</math> mm.</b> Unequivocal non-measurable Dz and new lesion is also progression.
SD	Neither PR nor PD, taking as reference the smallest sum diameters on study.

**CR** = complete response

**PR** = partial response

**PD** = progressive disease or death

**SD** = stable disease



## Rationale for Tumor Volumetry

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- Tumors not all spherical
  - Planar measurements do not reflect volumes
  - Primary lung neoplasms in particular
- Tumors may not change size symmetrically
- Observer variability
- Are four categories of response sufficient?



## Volumetric Issues

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- Section thickness (Weiner-Muram)
  - Slice thickness: range 2-10 mm
  - Difference = 20% overall | 36% for smallest tumors
- Scanner type & isotropic resolution
- Partial volume effects → overestimation of true volume
  - Segmentation algorithm
  - Reconstruction kernel
  - Patient factors (breath-hold, motion)



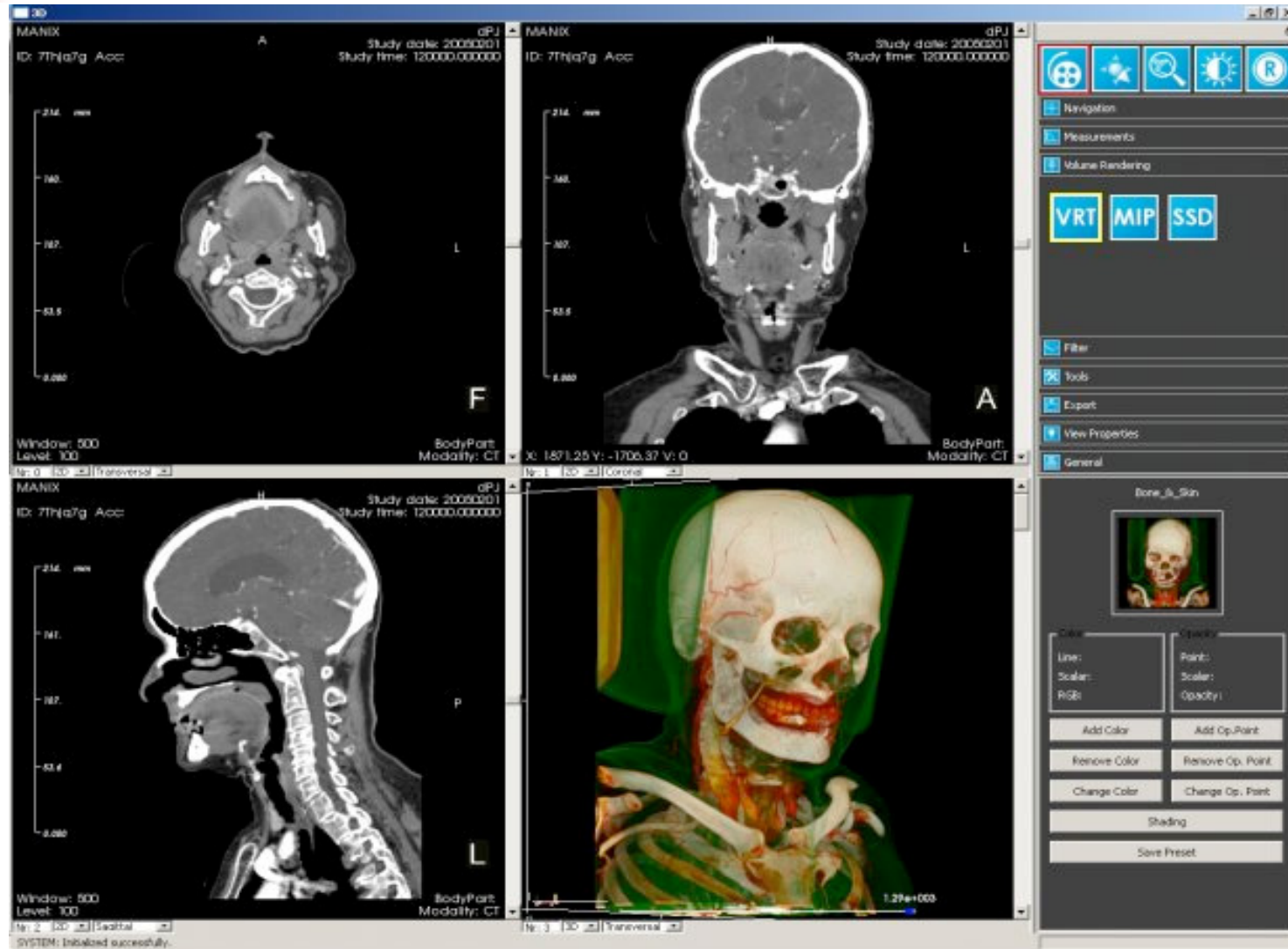
## Future directions for Volumetry

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- Realistic phantoms for ground truth
- Monte Carlo simulations to generate images with systematic variations in acquisition, nodule characteristics
- Use of image registration and analysis
- Image libraries (LIDC | RIDER | NLST)
- QIBA (Quantitative Imaging Biomarkers Alliance) to define application-specific acquisition protocols

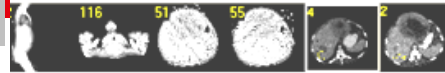


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Tools Additional Settings Image selection Navigation Help



106, 1027, 4503, 4/29/1958: CT from 2/27/2009

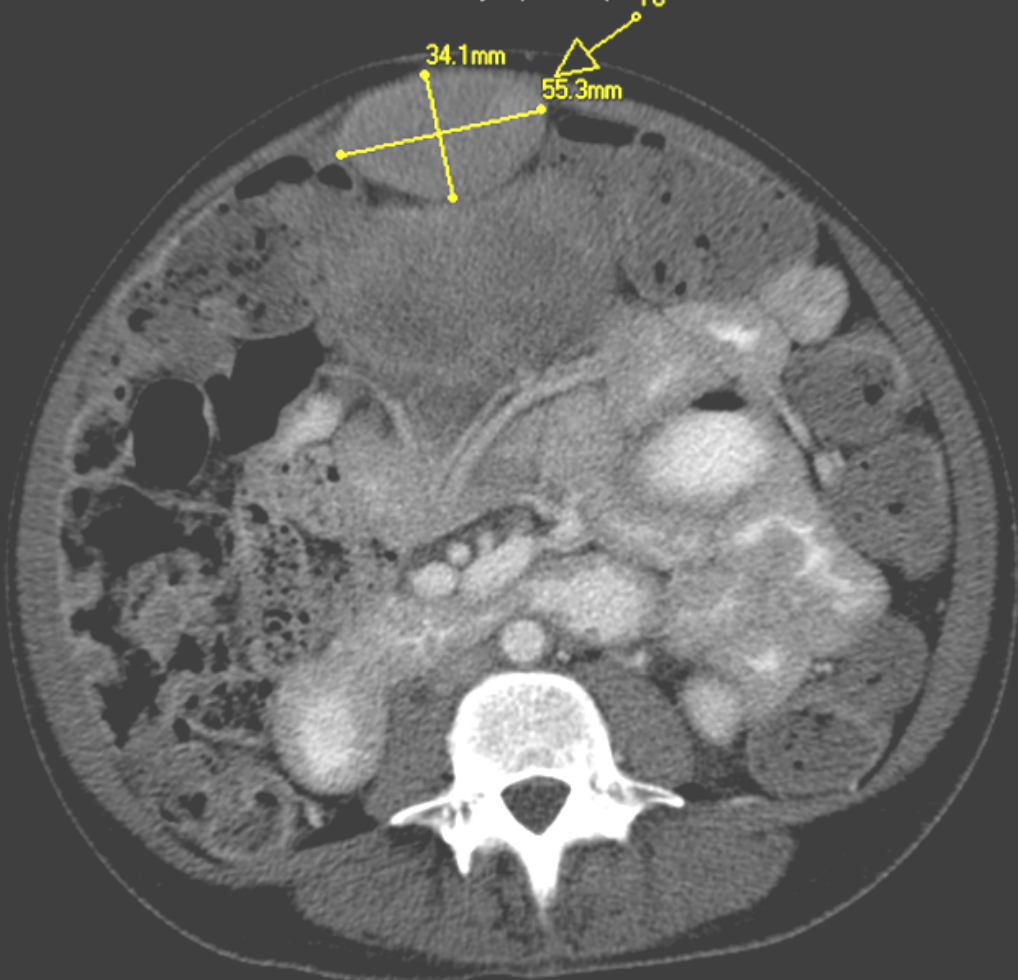
06,1027,4503  
4/29/1958  
D: 106  
acc: 0

Ref: UNKNOWN / Perf:  
Study date: 2/27/2009

Secondary Capture Sequence

34.1mm

55.3mm



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Y: 288/319  
V255 / C127

Position:  
105 IMA 3

# Core Lab's RECIST FORM

**R1**

**ACRIN 4503  
RECIST MEASUREMENT FORM**

ACRIN Study 4503  
**PLACE LABEL HERE**

Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Institution No. \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

If this is a revised or corrected form, please  box.

Baseline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Exam Date: ____-____-____	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
Follow-up: <input type="checkbox"/> _____ weeks	Modality: <input type="checkbox"/> CT <input type="checkbox"/> MRI	
Area / Slice thickness:		Interpretation Date: ____-____-____
<input type="checkbox"/> Head _____ mm	<input type="checkbox"/> Abdomen _____ mm	
<input type="checkbox"/> Neck _____ mm	<input type="checkbox"/> Pelvis _____ mm	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chest _____ mm	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ mm	

Lesion #	Organ	Site Description	LN	Targeted	New Lesion	InD	Phase on Contrast	Series #	Image #	Long Axis (mm)	Short Axis (mm)	W/L	Interpretable Measurable Y/N
1			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
2			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
3			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
4			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
5			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
6			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
7			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
8			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
9			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
10			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
11			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
12			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
13			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
14			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	
15			<input type="checkbox"/>	Y N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N A P D NA					B L ST LI	

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### Series Capture

Compared to Scan: _____
Progressed <input type="checkbox"/>
Partial Response <input type="checkbox"/>
Stable <input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Response <input type="checkbox"/>
Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/>

*	N	C	A	P
Arterial	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____
Portal	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____
Delayed	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____
Pre Contrast	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____
MRIT2	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____	____ / ____

The Overall Status of NT Lesions				Measured by (initials):
Present	Y	N	NA	
Progressed	Y	N	NA	
Recorded by (initials):				
Comments:				

Organ code table					
1	AB	Abdomen	17	OC	Oral Cavity/Tongue
33	AW	Abdominal Wall	18	OV	Ovary
2	AD	Adrenal	19	PA	Pancreas
3	BL	Bladder	20	PG	Parotid Gland
4	BO	Bone	21	PE	Pelvis
5	CW	Chest Wall/Axilla	37	PP	Peri-Portal
6	CN	CNS (Brain, Spinal Cord, Meninges, Dura)	22	PO	Peritoneum/Omentum
7	CO	Colon	23	PH	Pharynx
8	DJ	Duodenum	24	PL	Pleura
9	ES	Esophagus	25	PR	Prostate
34	HP	Heart/Pericardium	26	RE	Rectum
35	HI	Hila	38	RP	Retroperitoneum
10	KI	Kidney	27	SK	Skin/Subcutaneous Tissues
11	LA	Larynx	28	SB	Small Bowel
12	LI	Liver	29	SP	Spleen
13	LU	Lung	30	ST	Stomach
14	MS	Mediastinum	31	TH	Thyroid
36	ME	Mesentery	32	UT	Uterus
16	NE	Neck	88	OT	Other

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## KEY SHEET

**H** = Head  
**N** = Neck  
**C** = Chest  
**A** = Abdomen  
**P** = Pelvis  
**LN** = Lymph Node  
**InD** = Indeterminate

### Phase of Contrast

\* For each scanned area, place the series number portraying that injection phase

### Compare to Scan:

Check the box if YES

### Overall Status of NT (Non target) Lesions

**Y** = Yes    **N** = No    **N/A** = Not Applicable or neither

### W/L = Window Level

**B** = Bone  
**L** = Lung  
**ST** = Soft Tissue  
**LI** = Liver  
**N/A** = Not Applicable

### Interpretable / Measurable Y/N (if no select reason / mark all that apply)

- Motion  
 Artifacts  
 Contrast Media  
 DICOM header  
 Missing anatomic coverage  
 Poor S/N  
 Other, specify \_\_\_\_\_

### Complete

- a) Qualitative Assessment     Check the box if YES  
b) Overall Status of NT Lesions  
    **Y** = Yes  
    **N** = No  
    **N/A** = Not Applicable or neither

# OSIRIX





## iPAD Annotation Tool

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- A new tool developed by the AIM team to compliment the core AIM product.
- It implements the AIM standard (Annotation and Image Markup) of the caBIG project.
- iPAD also supports the RadLex controlled terminology for describing anatomic entities and observations in images.
- The purpose of iPAD is to make the semantic content (the meaning and other key metadata in the images) explicit and machine-accessible for query and data mining.




# iPAD

OsiriX File Edit Format 2D Viewer 3D Viewer ROI Plugins Window Help

Database Tile Series Patient Mouse button function WL/WW & CLUT 2D/3D Orientation

171888 - 28/02/25 (81 y) - unnamed (7)

Image size: 256 x 256  
View size: 774 x 731  
WL: 265 WW: 531



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Area: 6.410 cm<sup>2</sup>  
Mean: 282.788 SDev: 57.671 Sum: 255075  
Min: 77.000 Max: 443.000  
Length: 10.301 cm

TE: 127.5 TR: 10002  
FS: 15000  
04/07/09 00:00:00  
Made In OsiriX

Zoom: 242% Angle: 0  
Im: 15/32 (I → S)  
Thickness: 5.00 mm Location: 7.90 mm

265 L

View size: 455 x 377

81 y, 76 y

R

TE: 127.5 TR: 10002  
FS: 15000  
04/07/09 00:00:00  
Made In OsiriX

Thickness: 5.00 mm Location: -62.10 mm

Auto-play

iPAD

Annotation Annotations Temporal Lexicon Preferences

Annotation Name: 1 # of ROIs: 1  
Series: unnamed Study Date: 2004-07-09

Brain tumor baseline target lesion VASARI

Template	Terms
Location	occipital lobe
Lesion	tumor
nCET Tumor Crosses Midline	ncet tumor does not cross midline
Thickness of the Enhancing Margin	thin enhancing margin
T1/FLAIR Ratio	expansive T1/FLAIR ratio
Side of Tumor Epicenter	left epicenter
Proportion of Edema	6-33% edema

iPad is ready.  
Imported annotation 1 for user Adam Flanders  
The annotation is valid and complete.

Status: Complete Transmit



# iPAD

The screenshot shows the iPAD application window with a menu bar at the top containing 'Annotation', 'Annotations', 'Temporal', 'Lexicon', and 'Preferences'. The 'Annotations' menu is active, displaying a table with the following data:

Date and Time	Annotation Name	Patient ID	Patient Name	Us
5, 2009 9 17 15:28:59 G...	1	TCGA-08-0360	171888	Ad

Below the table is a horizontal scrollbar. Underneath, there are two panels: 'Entities' and 'Attributes Values'.

The 'Entities' panel shows a tree view under 'ImageAnnotation' with the following sub-entities:

- user
- anatomicEntityCollection
- imagingObservationCollection
- imageReferenceCollection
- patient
- geometricShapeCollection

The 'Attributes Values' panel displays the following data:

Attributes	Values
aimVersion	TCGA
id	0
dateTime	2009-09-17T15:28:59Z
codingSchem...	IPAD
name	1
codeMeaning	Brain tumor baseline target lesion
uniqueIdentifier	274908539.599864
codeValue	IPAD4
xsi:schemaLo...	gme://caCORE.caCORE/3.2/edu.northv

At the bottom of the window, there is a toolbar with the following buttons: 'Display', 'Retrieve', 'Import', 'Export', and 'Delete'.

# iPAD

The screenshot shows the iPAD application window with the following elements:

- Window Title:** iPAD
- Navigation Tabs:** Annotation (selected), Annotations, Temporal, Lexicon, Preferences
- Annotation Name:** 1
- Series:** unnamed
- # of ROIs:** 1
- Study Date:** 2004-07-09
- Annotation Description:** Brain tumor baseline target lesion
- Method:** VASARI
- Table:** A table with two columns: Template and Terms. The 'Lesion' template is expanded to show several terms.
- Status:** Complete
- Action:** Transmit button

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# Future Development

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- **Cloud-Based Virtual Workstation Environment (Shared Software Licenses)**
  - **Reduce Cost:** limited number of software licenses
  - **Security**
  - **Flexibility:** Organizational Agility (i.e. upgrades, validation)
  - **More Mobility:** Employees can access information wherever they are, rather than having to remain at their desk



# Future Direction

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- Web-Based PACS Solution
  - Decentralized Image Viewing
  - Improved Workflow
  - Simplify System Administration
  - Accelerated Decision Making
  - Decrease Hardware Costs
  - Reduce Readers' Travel Cost



## Future Direction

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- Application Hosting within TRIAD 3.0
- iCAD Server, NCI-Core Lab Collaboration
- Vendor Workstations Upgrade
- Improved Centralized Radiology Reading Rooms
  - Better Monitors
  - DICOM Viewers
  - Improved Data Collection
  - Better Workflow
  - Radiology Information System