

MRI-guided radiotherapy for prostate cancer

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Prostate cancer

- Most common cancer in men in the Netherlands
 - In 2020, 12,800 men received diagnosis prostate cancer



Prostaatkanker komt voor bij mannen vanaf ongeveer 45-jarige **leeftijd**, maar dit is zeldzaam en de diagnose wordt meestal gesteld bij mannen tussen de 60 en 80 jaar. De gemiddelde leeftijd bij diagnose is 70 jaar.

9%	35%	43%	13%
< 60 jaar	60-69 jaar	70-79 jaar	80+ jaar

Side effects of radical treatment

- Operation (robot): erectile dysfunction and incontinence
 - After 1-year, 10% remains incontinent for urine



• Modern radiotherapy: mainly urinary and bowel symptoms

All organs and tumors move and change shape



Prostate boundary

Fiducial marker, gold 5x1mm

- No rotations
- No deformations
- No seminal vesicles



GOLD FIDUCIAL MARKERS

The MR-linac (Unity) "operate without a knife"





- Interfraction \rightarrow new treatment plan for each treatment day
- Intrafraction (see real-time during treatment) → new plan for anatomy of the moment
 - Further reduction in grade ≥ 2 GU and GI toxicity

Toxicity FLAME-study





Monninkhof Radiother Oncol 2018

Workflow MR-Linac for prostate cancer treatment

n >400 patients treated on the MR-Linac





Cohort

UTRECHT PROSTAAT COHORT

Compare MR-Linac vs standard of care (prostatectomy, radiotherapy and active surveillance)

➢ Collect clinical, treatment and QOL data

- Technical developments MR-Linac
- Early economic health evaluation

Cost-effectiveness (prospective)







PSA after MR-Linac



EPIC-26 Urinary obstruction/irritation



EPIC-26 urinary incontinence





RALP



EPIC-26 bowel domain



RALP

6M

9M

12M

IIEF-5 (erectile function)









Technical developments









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Evaluation of cost effectiveness on the MR-Linac



Comparison of ...

5 fractions MR-Linac



versus

5, 20 and 39 fractions



Low-dose-rate brachytherapy



Hehakaya IJROBP 2021

Average (mean) costs per patient

	Mean costs per patient (Euros)
MR-Linac 5 Fx	10,609
LDR Brachytherapy	9,945
EBRT 5 Fx	8,188
EBRT 20 Fx	15,003
EBRT 39 Fx	21,784

Hehakaya IJROBP 2021

MR-Linac plans for the future

- Neurovasculair sparing radiotherapy for prostate cancer
 > ERECT-trial
- Focal salvage MR-Linac treatment for recurrent disease
 ➤ MRI-SABRE
- 2 fractions on the MR-Linac

Hermes-trial (fast-adaptive contouring/planning)

he ROYAL MARSDEN

- High risk patients 5x7.25 Gy (boost on DIL), randomized study
 - hypo-FLAME 3.0 study



EREctile function preservation for prostate Cancer radiation Therapy (ERECT-trial)

- Study protocol -> IRB approved
- MR-> beter visualization soft tissue





Donovan NEJM 2016

Delineation study: variability and reproducibility





right arteria pudenda

left arteria pudenda

Planning studie: feasability?



Constraints

Prescribed dose PTV: 36.25 Gy (≥80%) (no concession op GTV) Minimal dose PTV: 30 Gy

NVB (soft constraint): D0.1cc ≤32.75 Gy IPA: Dmax ≤20 Gy

MR-Linac for prostate cancer

• MR-Linac for prostate cancer: better visualisation

 \triangleright Reduce uncertainty margins \rightarrow < toxicitity

- Viewer treatment fractions (comfort/cost effective)
- ➢ Reduce recurrence of prostate cancer
- Change treatment approach in the next 10-15 years

