

Focal laser Ablation Localized Prostate Cancer

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SIPC

- Multidisciplinary group
- Prostate cancer management
- From AS to Radical Prostatectomy
- mpMRI and Biopsy (fusion, TP, in-bore...)
- Multi-Source Focal Therapy equipment
- Robotic surgical Techniques

Uroradconcept

- Prostate Cancer second opinion (patient/Prof)
- Perform Precise Dx and help ttt decision
- Help local team or relocate our
- Develop Prostate Cancer center (Dx/ttt)

Focal Therapy

AS

Organ
Sparing

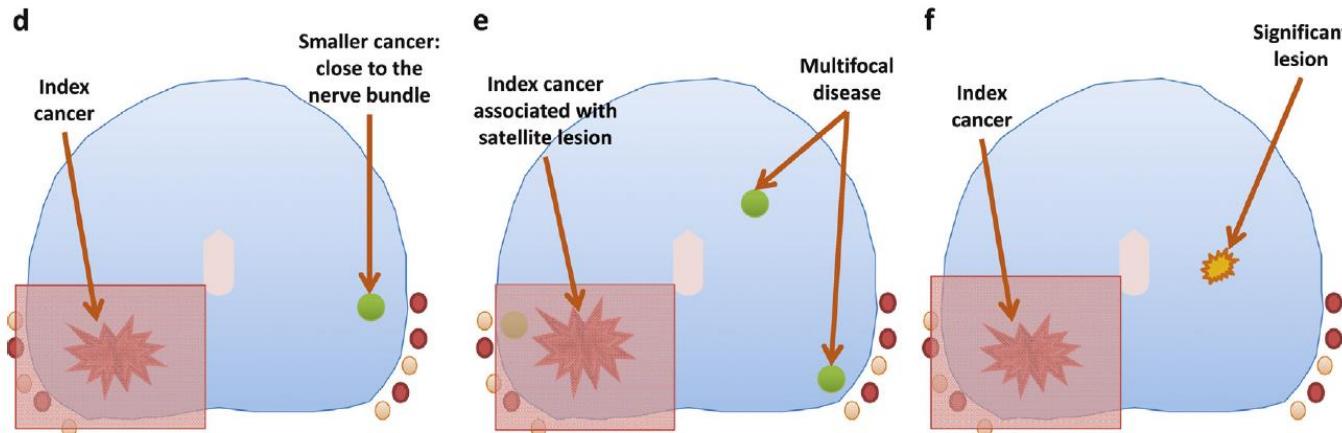
Radical
Treatment

Focal Therapy

Review – Prostate Cancer

The Role of Focal Therapy in the Management of Localised Prostate Cancer: A Systematic Review

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Index Lesion

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Histological characteristics of the index lesion in whole-mount radical prostatectomy specimens: implications for focal therapy

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Tumor type	Total	Gleason ≥7	Gleason ≤6	Volume ≥0.5 cc	ECE	SVI
Unifocal	22	31.8	68.2	81.8	22.7	31.9
Index	78	30.7	69.3	84.6	16.6	6.4
Secondary lesions	170	0.6	99.4	12.9	1.1	0

Index Lesion

Prostate Cancer

Magnetic Resonance Imaging–Transectal Ultrasound Image-fusion Biopsies Accurately Characterize the Index Tumor: Correlation with Step-sectioned Radical Prostatectomy Specimens in 135 Patients

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Index Lesion correct Identification by RMN
in 95% patients

The 3 pillars of Focal Therapy

- **Target Identification (imaging)**

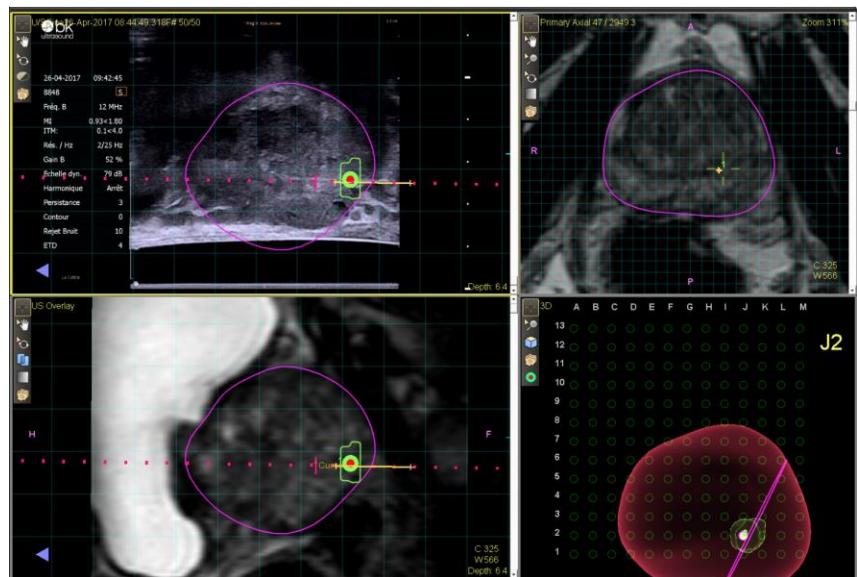
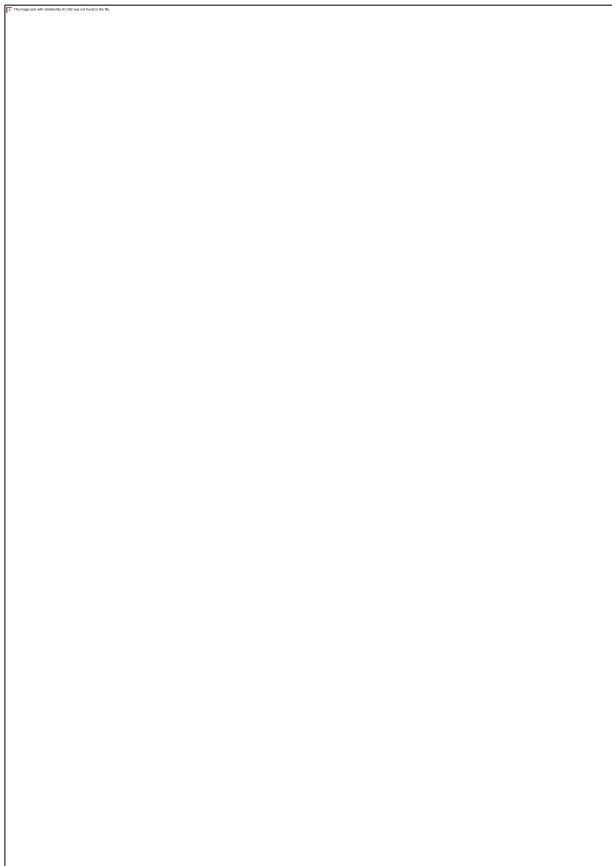
(Precise Correlation between Biopsy and mpMRI)

- Treatment
- Control

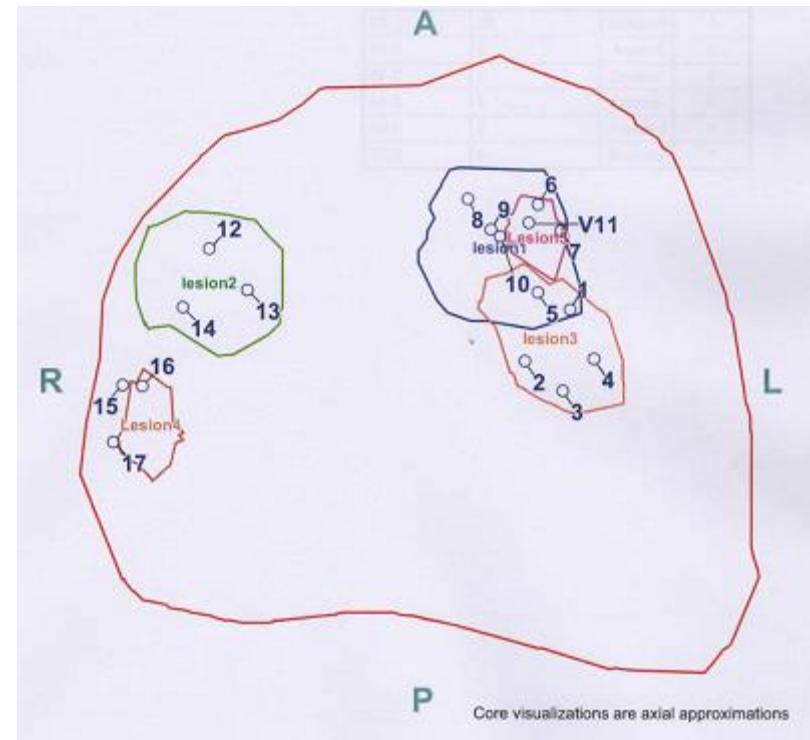
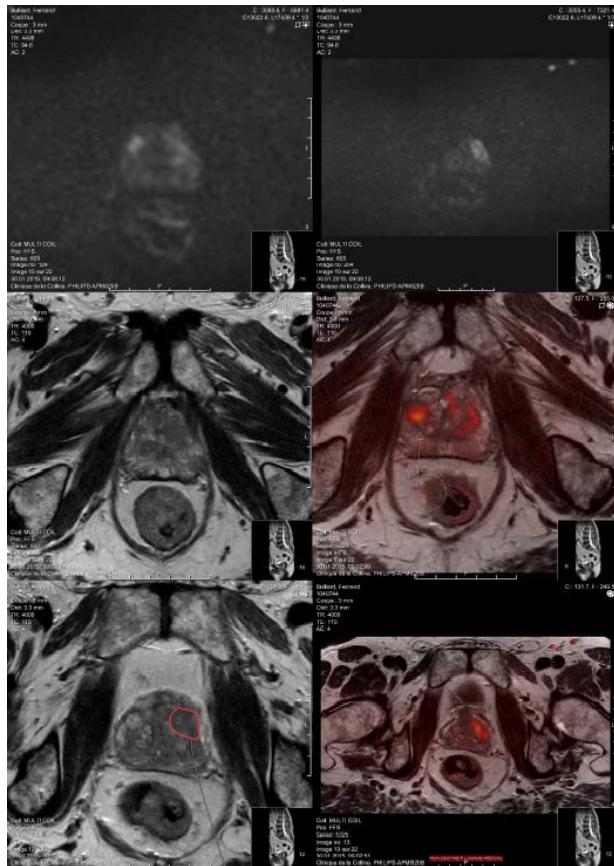
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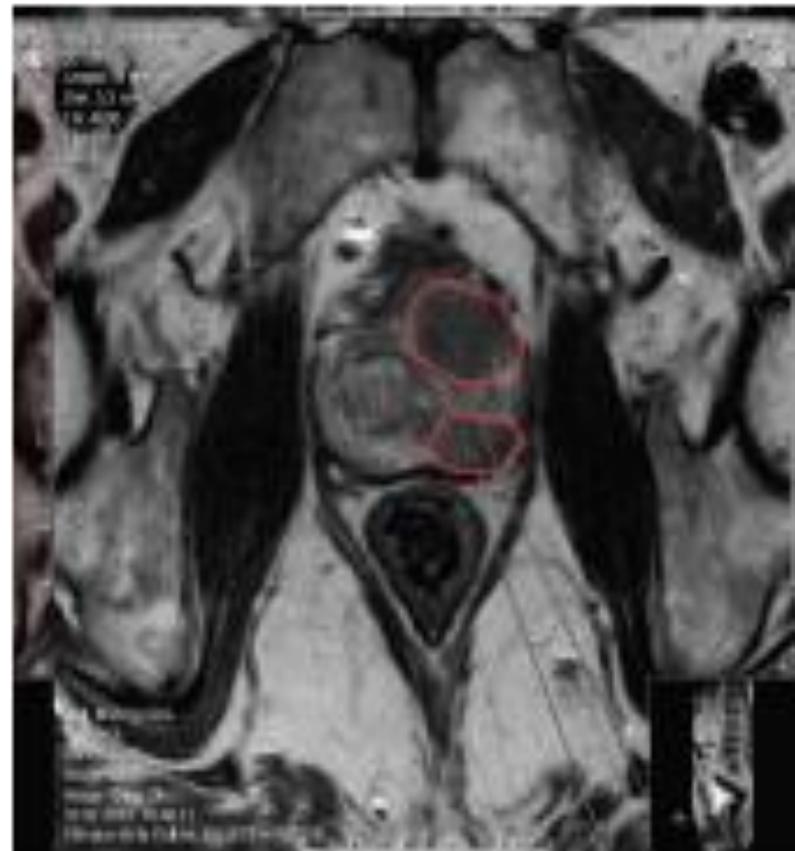
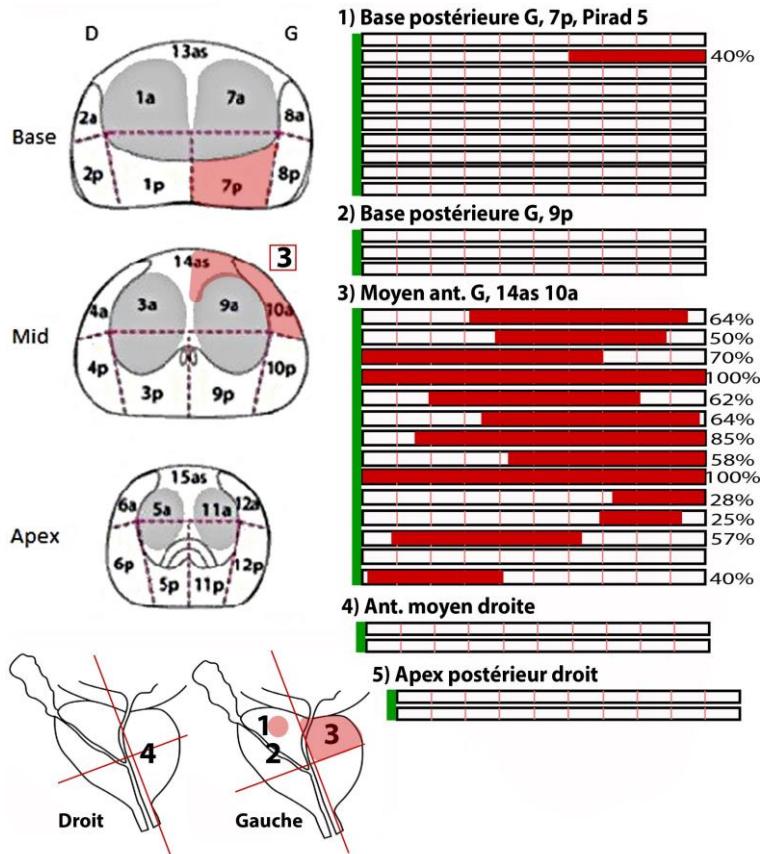
LA TP



Cartography



Correlation



Fusion Focal Therapy

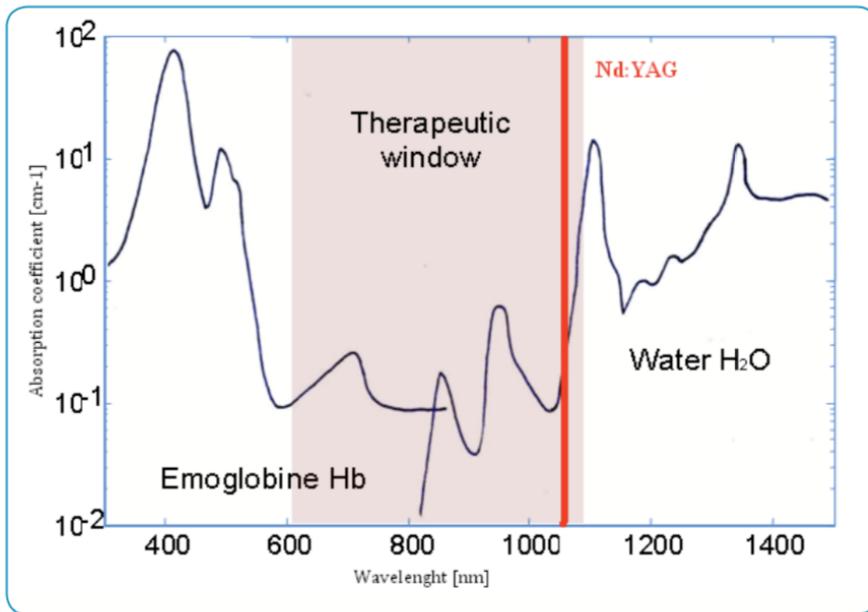
Laser (SoracteLite)
Elesta



Uronav Philips



Target



- The “Therapeutic window” is the wavelength range (λ), where light has good penetration into the tissues.
- In the therapeutic window, tissues show a low radiation absorption and consequently excellent light penetration.
- The therapeutic window is limited at a lower wavelength due to haemoglobin absorption (oxygenated HbO₂ and not oxygenated Hb) and at an upper wavelength due to water absorption.

1064 nm Nd:YAG has an excellent tissue interaction, with low radiation absorption and high light penetration.

Laser

Laser-tissue interactions

thermal damage evaluation (area/volume) related to output-power and heat dose

("ex vivo" Porcine liver at 20°C temperature – Laser Nd:YAG – single source; plane-cut fiber)

Joules	power 4W	power 5W	power 6W
energy 600	 area 0.7 cm ² volume 0,3 cm ³	 area 1.3 cm ² Volume 0.7 cm ³	 area: 1.4 cm ² volume 0.8 cm ³
energy 1200	 area: 1.2 cm ² volume 0.8 cm ³	 area 2.1 cm ² volume 1.6 cm ³	 area 2.4 cm ² volume 2.1 cm ³
energy 1800	 area 2.0 cm ² volume 1.8 cm ³	 area 2.6 cm ² Volume 2.4 cm ³	 area 27 cm ² volume 2.5 cm ³
energy 2400	 area 2.2 cm ² Volume 2 cm ³	 area 2.7 cm ² Volume: 2.6 cm ³	 area 3.0 cm ² volume 3.0 cm ³

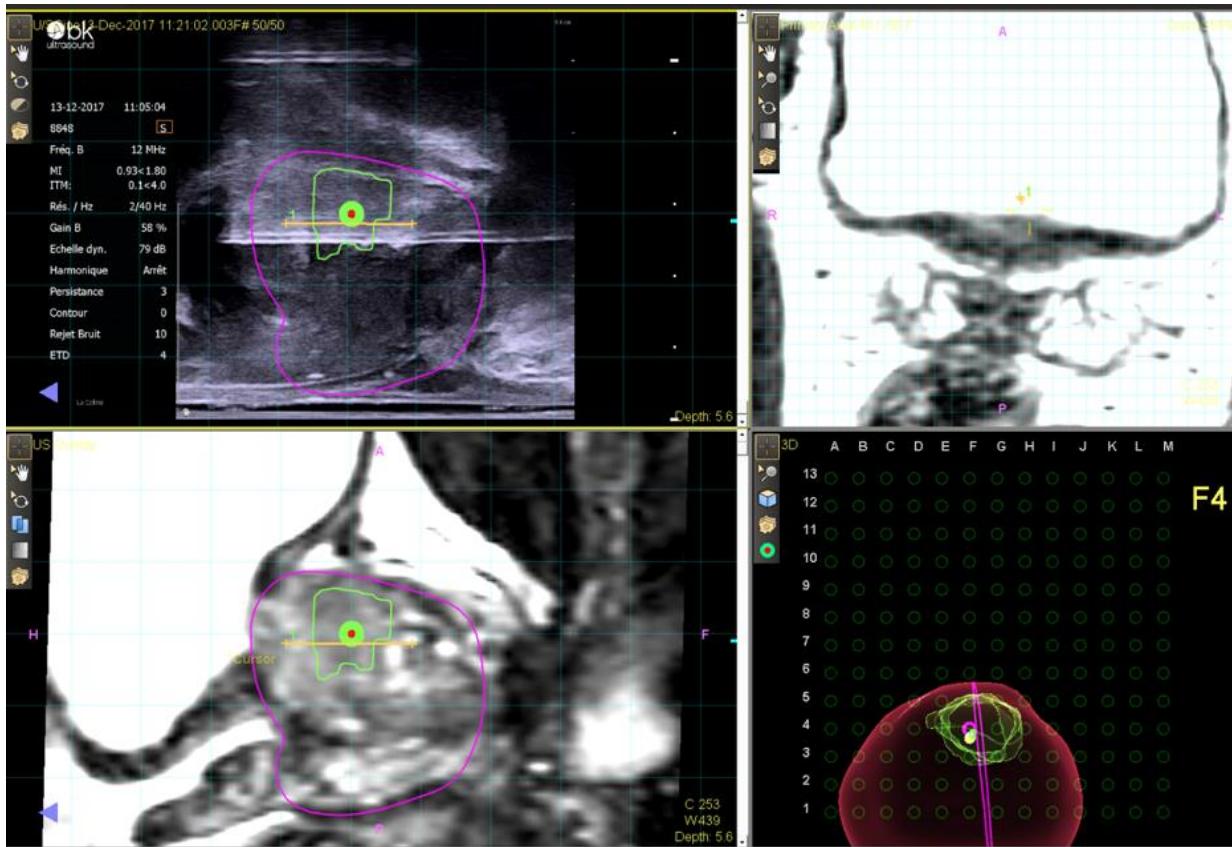
Planning



Planning



MRI/US Fusion



Procedure



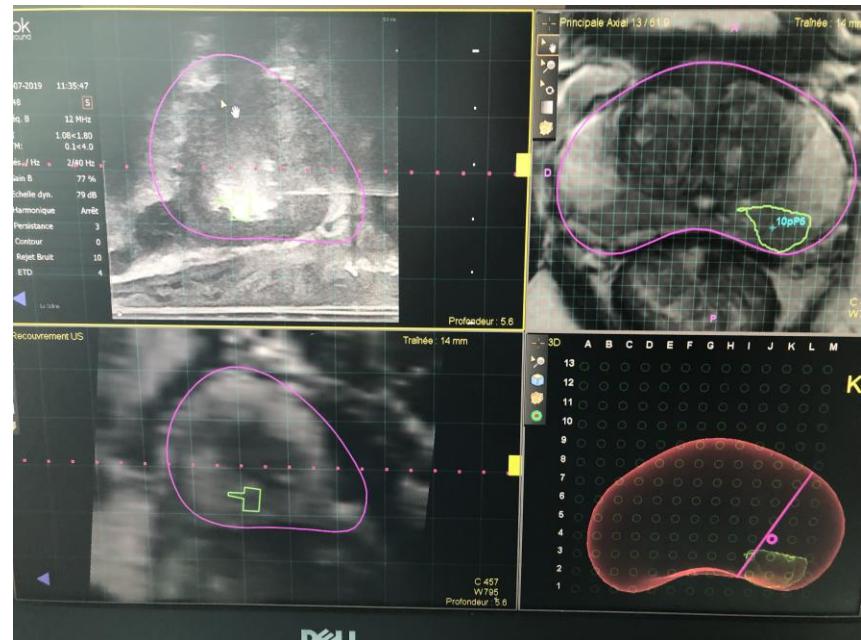
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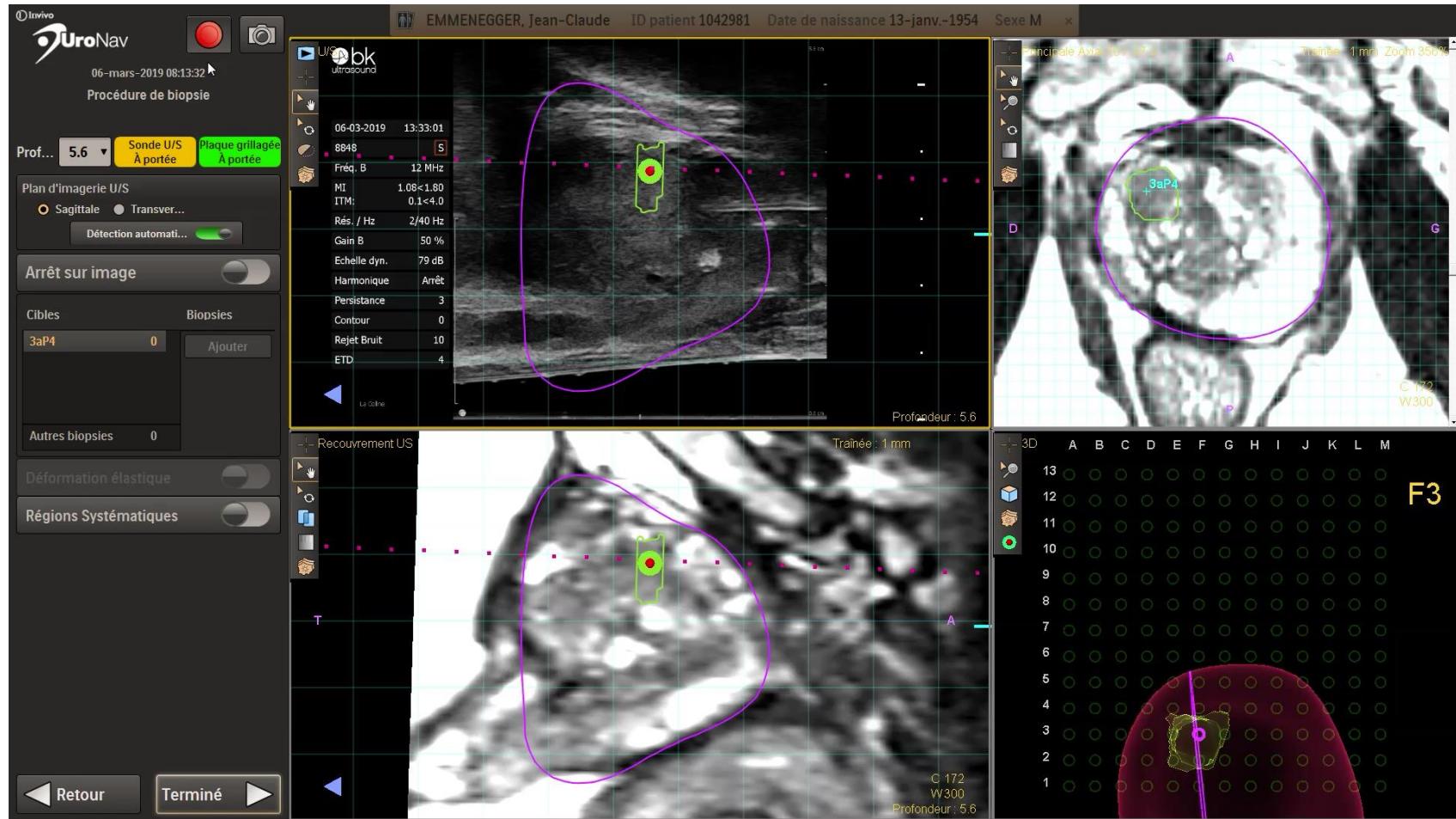
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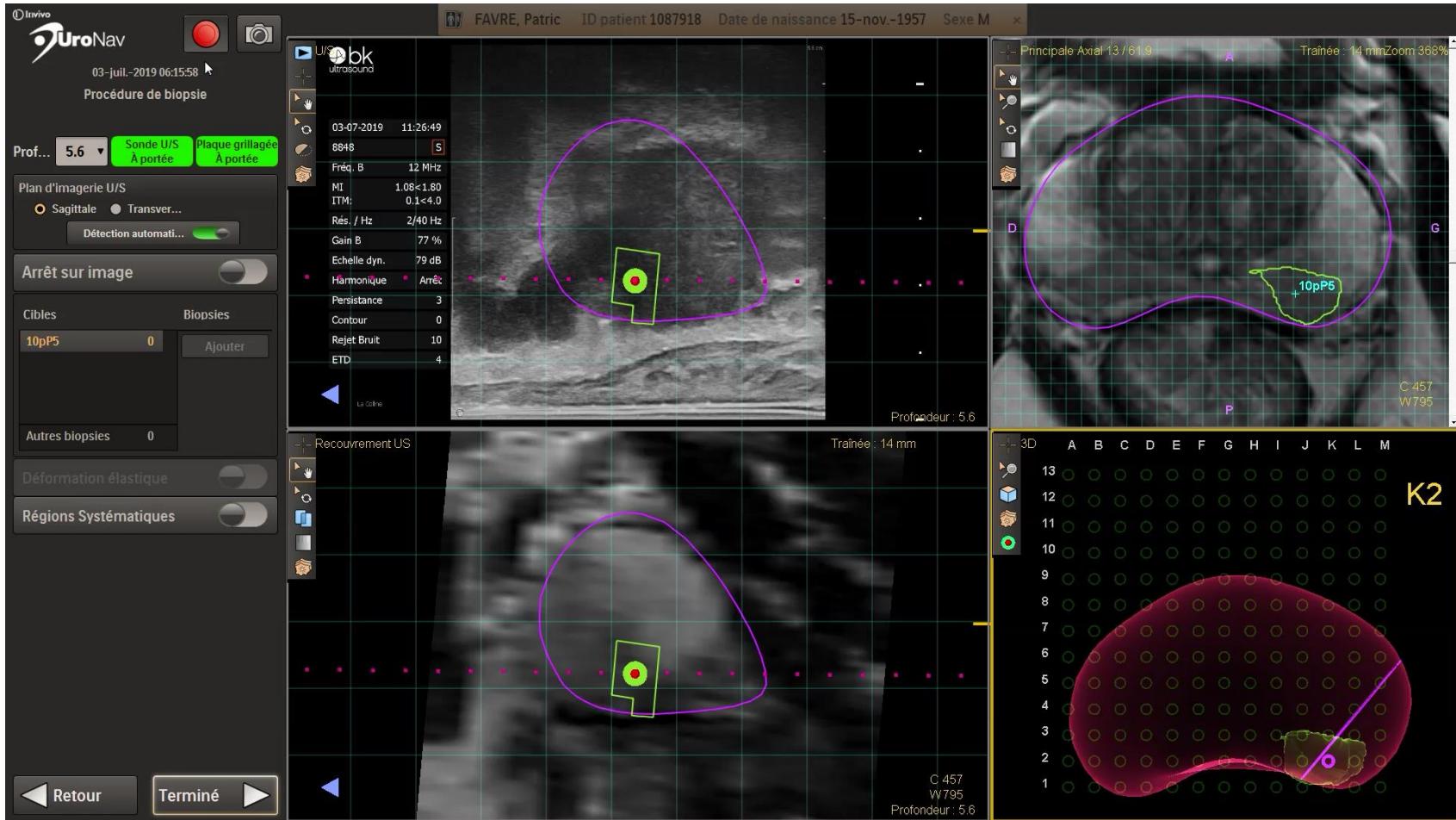
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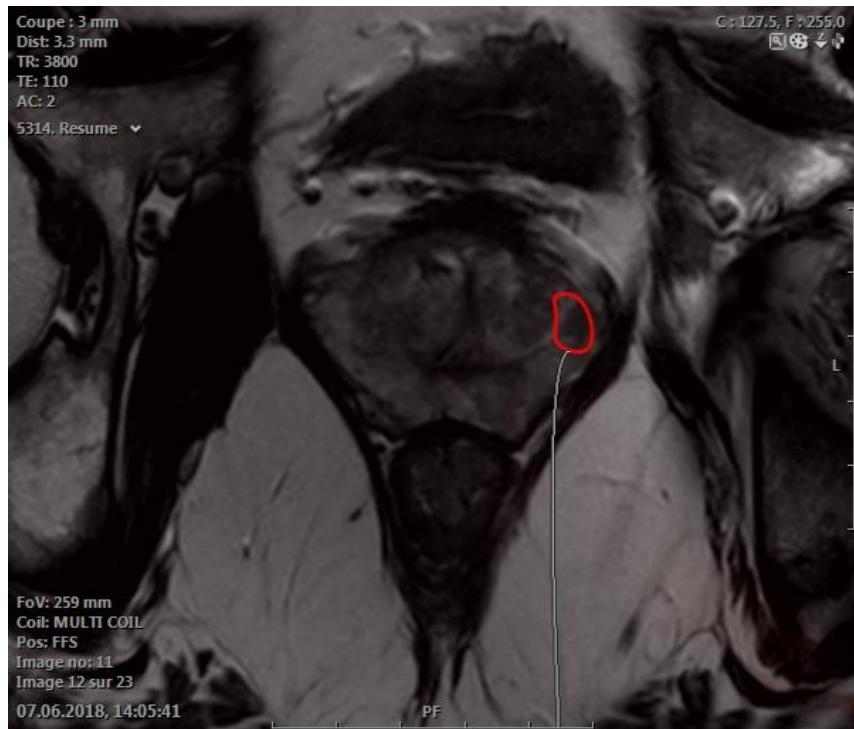
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Procedure



Control



Geneva SIPC protocol

Months	1w	3	6	12	18	24	30	36
PSA		x	x	x	x	x	x	x
mpMRI	x			x		x		
Targeted biopsy (treated area)				x		x(if susp. orTP clin/PSA)		
Standard biopsy (untreated area)				x				
PROMs		x	x	x	x	x	x	x

PROMs used: IPSS, IIEF-5, EORTC QLQ-C30 and QLQ-PR25

Initial Experience (2018-2019)

n=20 cases

n=4 post HIFU

T1-T2/ PSA max 15ng/ml

n=1 post Cryottt/Rxttt

G 3+3, 3+4

n=9 Gleason 3+3

unilateral

n=11 Gleason 3+4

6-9mm margins

n=17 anterior lesions

Index lesion ttt

n=8 apex lesions

Initial Experience (2018-2019)

n=3 negative Bx

n=3 de novo ED

n=1 positive (less 3mm

No Urinary Retention

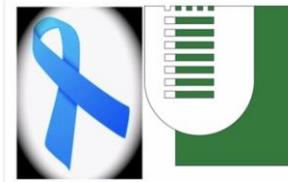
3+3)

No incontinence

No significant complicat.

No IPSS score change

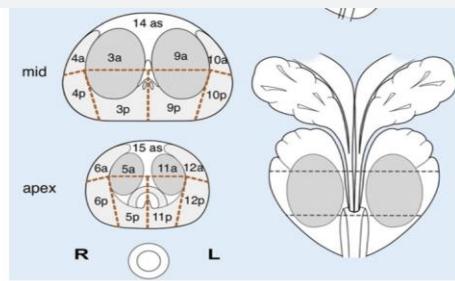
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FLA Prostate

REGISTRY FLA PROSTATE



Insert Dickinson sectors according to the image above

QoL-IPSS-IIEF

QoL (Quality of Life)

- 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

IPSS (PC)

- YES/SI NO

IIEF (PC)

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Conclusions

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| Efficient | Long term oncological |
| Flexible (TP, MRI) | results |
| LA/GA | Big size lesions |
| Repeat ttt/ Salvage | Need software for |
| Urinary and sexual | planning the ttt |
| function preservation | |

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Table 1

A summary of the arguments for and against focal therapy in localised prostate cancer.

Arguments Against		Arguments for
<i>The Seven Sins</i>		
Sin 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonly multifocal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sometimes unifocal• Monoclonal origin• Index lesion• Most lesions insignificant• Similar approach in other cancers
Sin 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Difficult to localise disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Template mapping biopsy• Multiparametric MRI
Sin 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Treats men who do not need treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overtreatment occurs with radical approaches• Half of reported cases are intermediate or high risk disease• Trials in progress exclude low risk cases
Sin 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Radical therapy is effective so we should accept the side effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Same arguments used in other cancers which are now obsolete• Men are not willing to accept any side effect unless they gain years of life in return
Sin 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The functional outcomes are no better than modern radical surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RALP may not offer better outcomes than open prostatectomy
Sin 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focal therapy leaves cancer behind• Long term survival data is lacking	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Erectile function poorer after RALP• Incontinence more common after RALP
Sin 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is no data from RCTs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Similar concerns in other cancers proved unfounded• Biochemical recurrence and metastatic free survival medium term outcomes are good• This is an issue for surgical oncology in general

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Table 2 – Inclusion and exclusion criteria for focal therapy trials

Inclusion criteria

Serum PSA	PSA <15 ng/ml PSA >15 ng/ml should be counselled with caution
Clinical stage	T1c–T2a
Pathology	Gleason score 3 + 3 Gleason score 3 + 4
Life expectancy	>10 yr [35]
Prostate volume	Any; except in case of HIFU: <40 ml

Exclusion criteria

Previous treatment:
Previous treatment of the primary cancer within the prostate
Previous hormone treatment for prostate cancer within 6 months before trial
Previous radiation to pelvis
Active urinary tract infection
Radiologic imaging:
PI-RADS score <3; clinically significant cancer is equivocal [26]
Extracapsular extension or seminal vesicle invasion
Lymph node or bone metastasis

HIFU = high-intensity focused ultrasound; PI-RADS = Prostate Imaging Reporting and Data System; PSA = prostate-specific antigen.
These criteria are the minimal requirements for including and excluding candidates in focal therapy trials.

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