

Quantitative MRI in Benign Multiple Sclerosis

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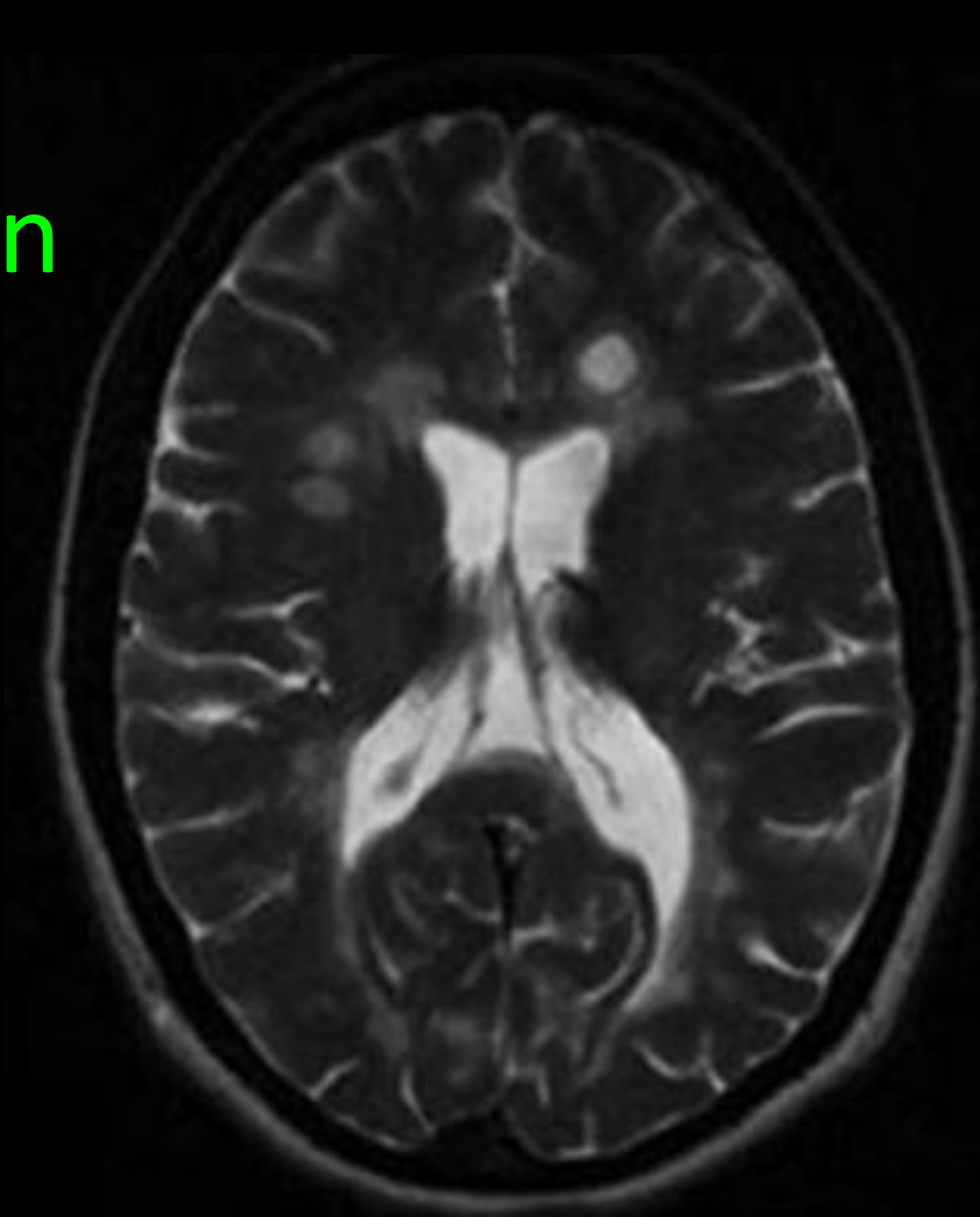
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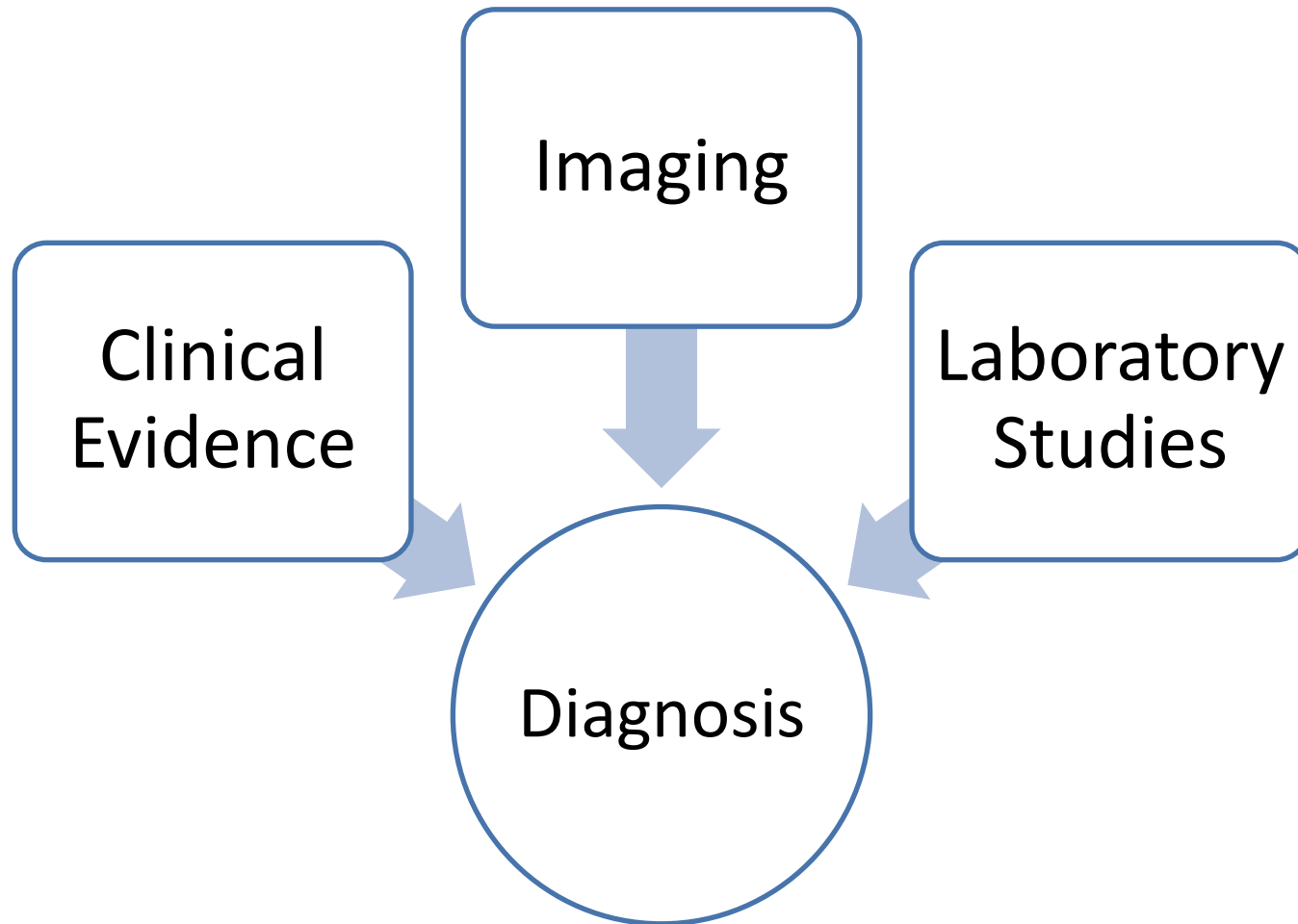


Overview

- MS Diagnosis & Clinical Subtypes
- Quantitative MRI
- Experiment Set-up
- Results to date
- On the Horizon



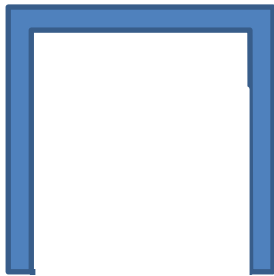
Diagnosing Multiple Sclerosis



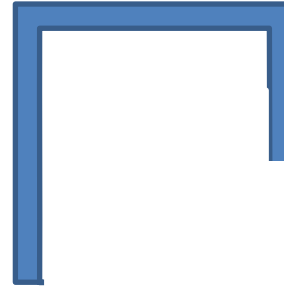
Clinical Presentation	Additional Data Needed for MS Diagnosis
Two or more attacks; objective clinical evidence of 2 or more lesions	None ^a
Two or more attacks; objective clinical evidence of 1 lesion	Dissemination in space, demonstrated by MRI ^b <i>or</i> Two or more MRI-detected lesions consistent with MS plus positive CSF ^c <i>or</i> Await further clinical attack implicating a different site
One attack; objective clinical evidence of 2 or more lesions	Dissemination in time, demonstrated by MRI ^d <i>or</i> Second clinical attack
One attack; objective clinical evidence of 1 lesion (mono-symptomatic presentation; clinically isolated syndrome)	Dissemination in space, demonstrated by MRI ^b <i>or</i> Two or more MRI-detected lesions consistent with MS plus positive CSF ^c <i>and</i> Dissemination in time, demonstrated by MRI ^d <i>or</i> Second clinical attack
Insidious neurological progression suggestive of MS	Positive CSF ^c <i>and</i> Dissemination in space, demonstrated by 1) Nine or more T2 lesions in brain <i>or</i> 2) 2 or more lesions in spinal cord, <i>or</i> 3) 4–8 brain plus 1 spinal cord lesion <i>or</i> abnormal VEP ^e associated with 4–8 brain lesions, or with fewer than 4 brain lesions plus 1 spinal cord lesion demonstrated by MRI <i>and</i> Dissemination in time, demonstrated by MRI ^d <i>or</i> Continued progression for 1 year

Clinical Course of MS: The Building Blocks

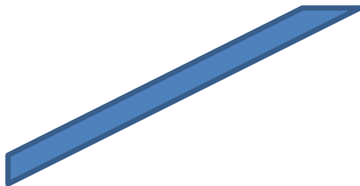
Relapse & full recovery



Relapse without full recovery



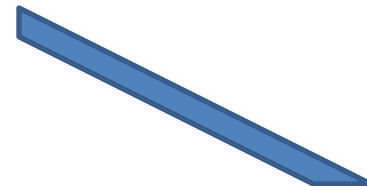
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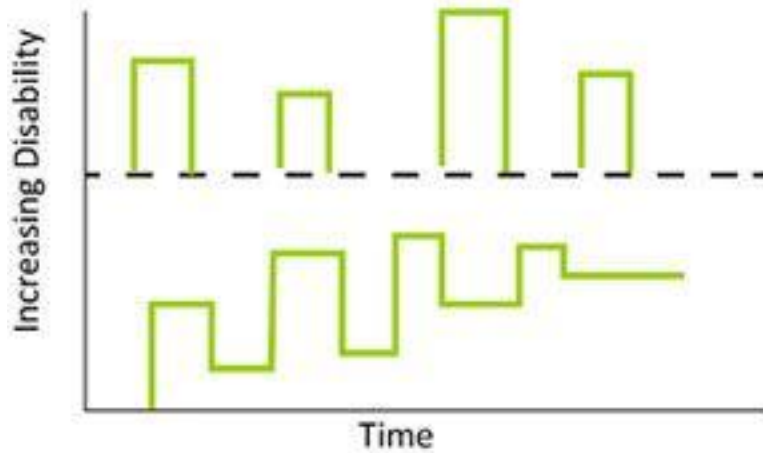
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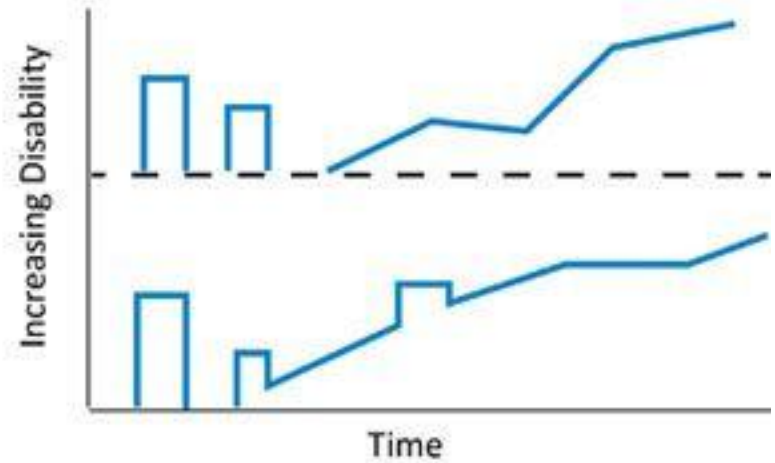
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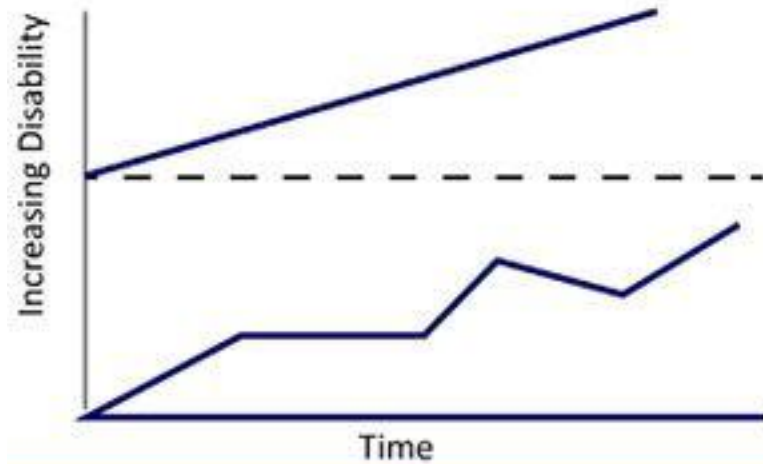
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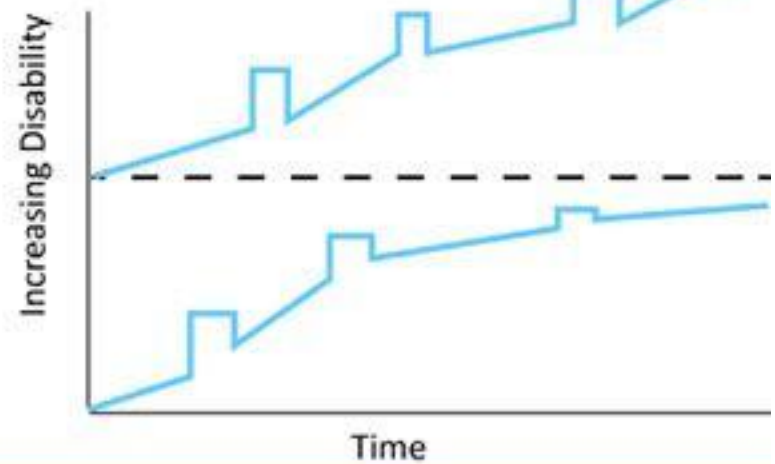
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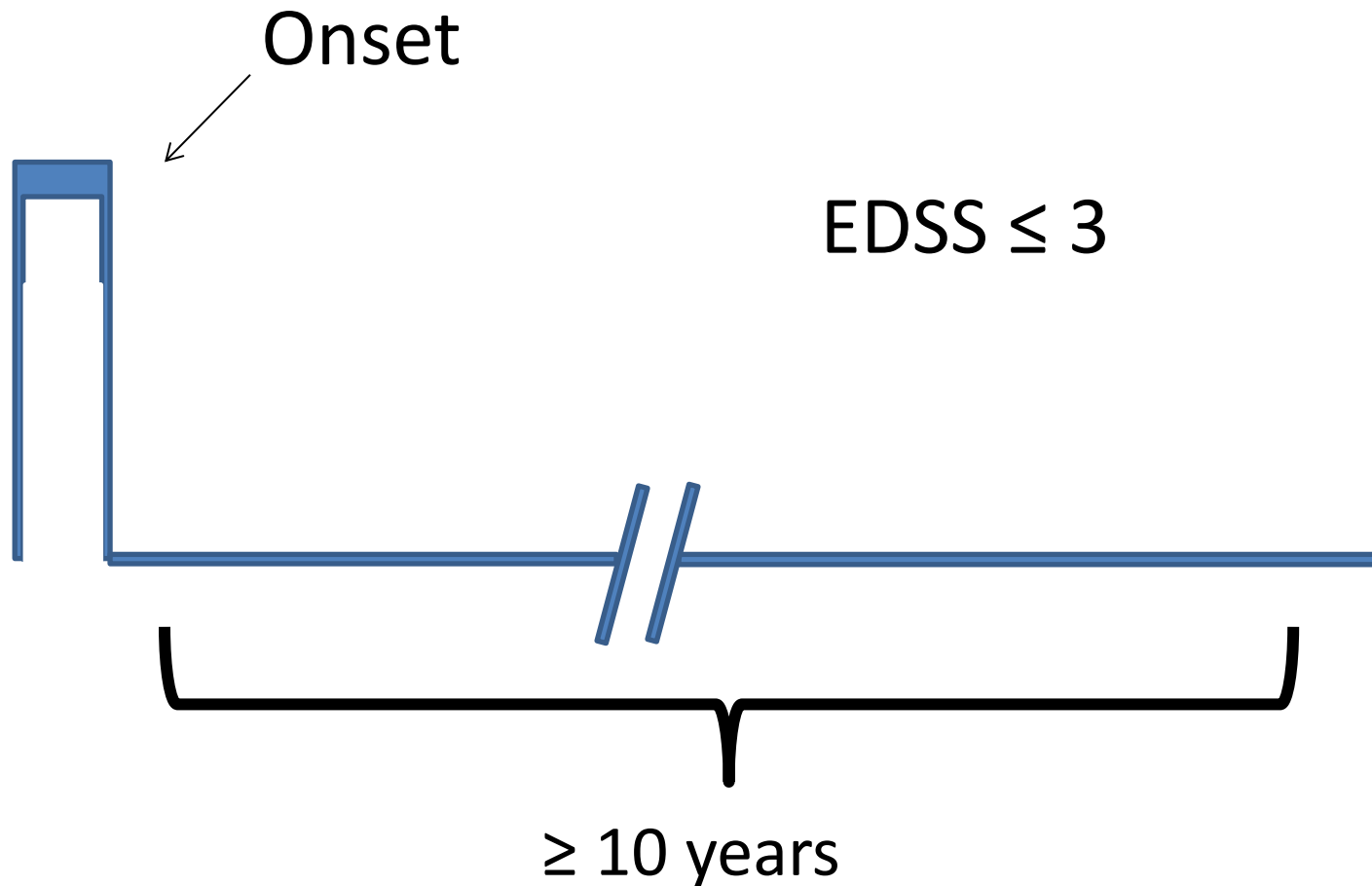
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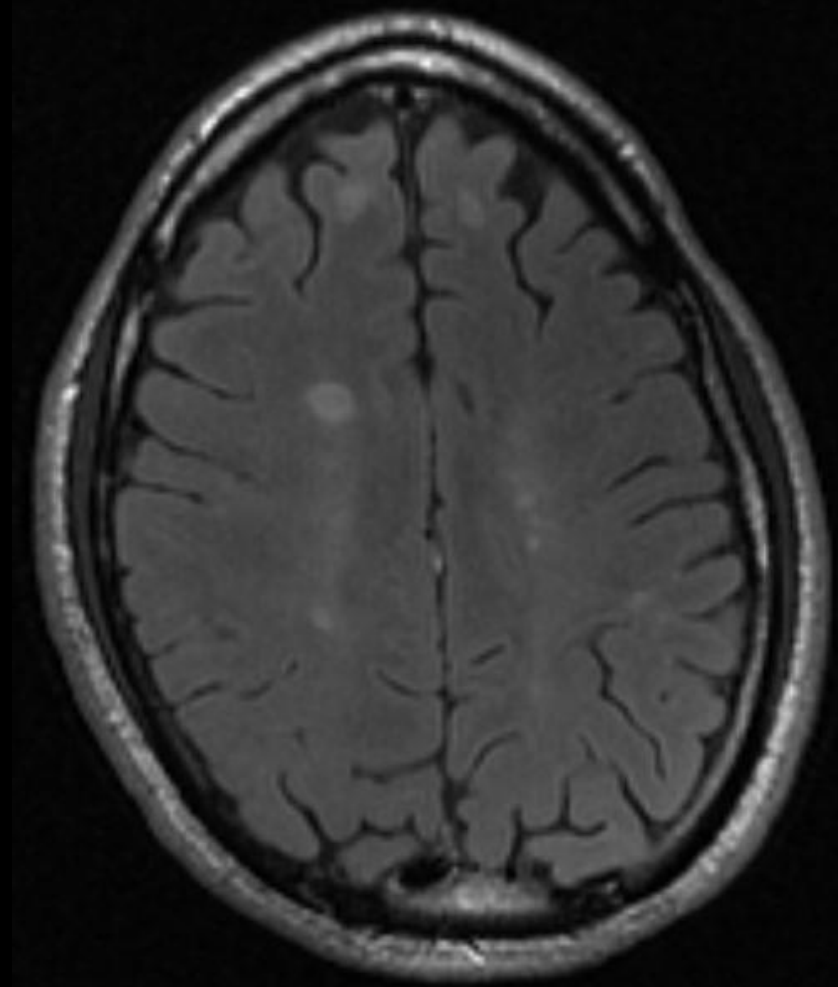
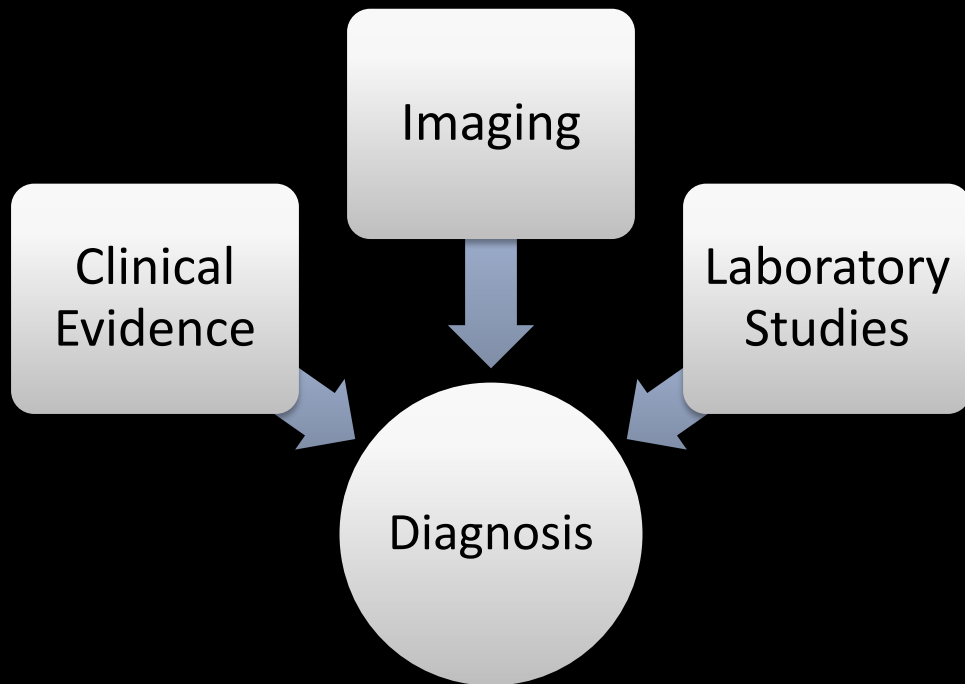


Progressive-Relapsing MS



Benign Multiple Sclerosis

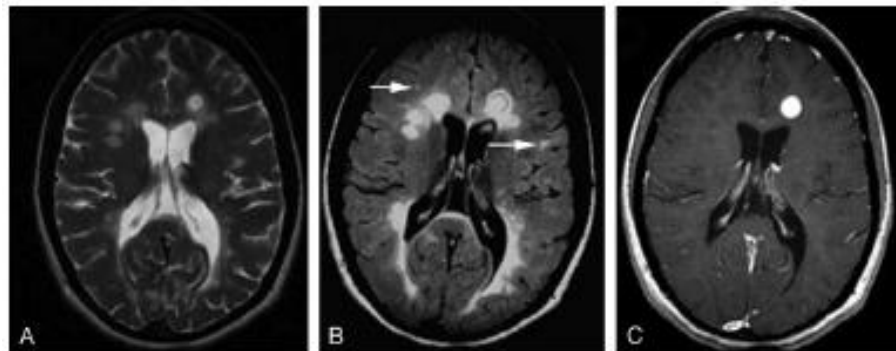
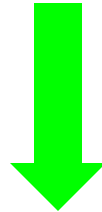


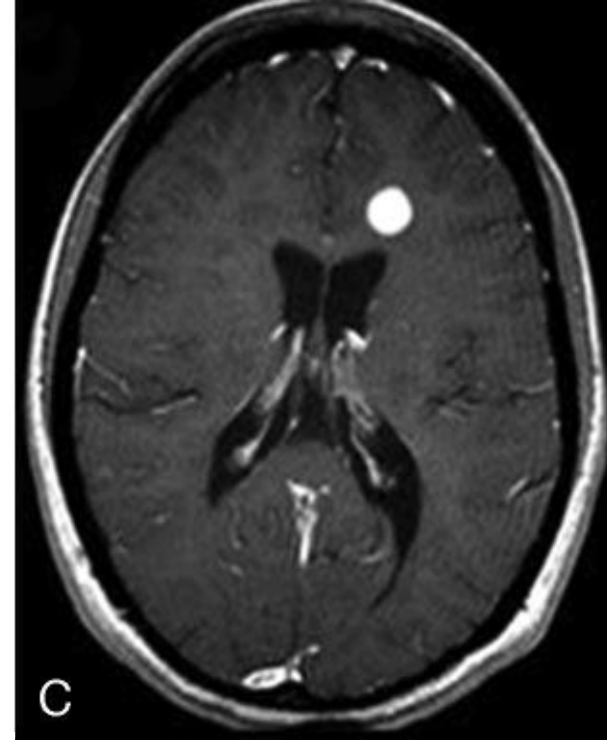
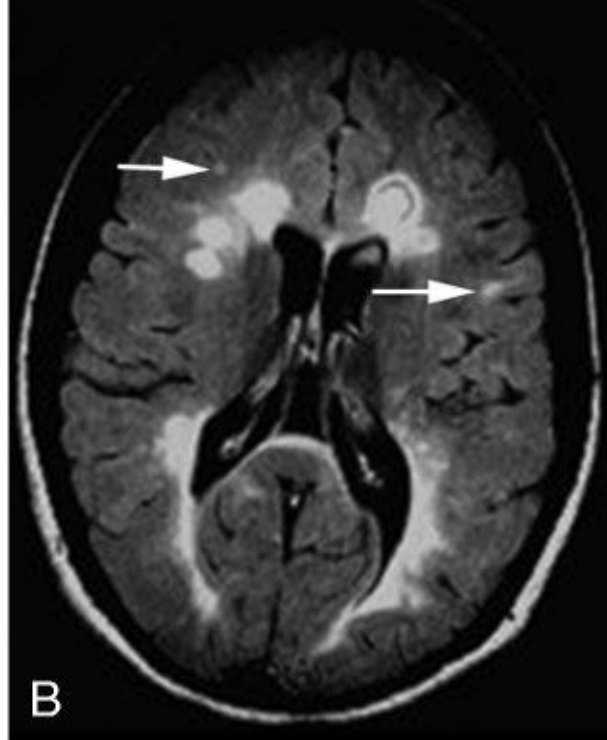
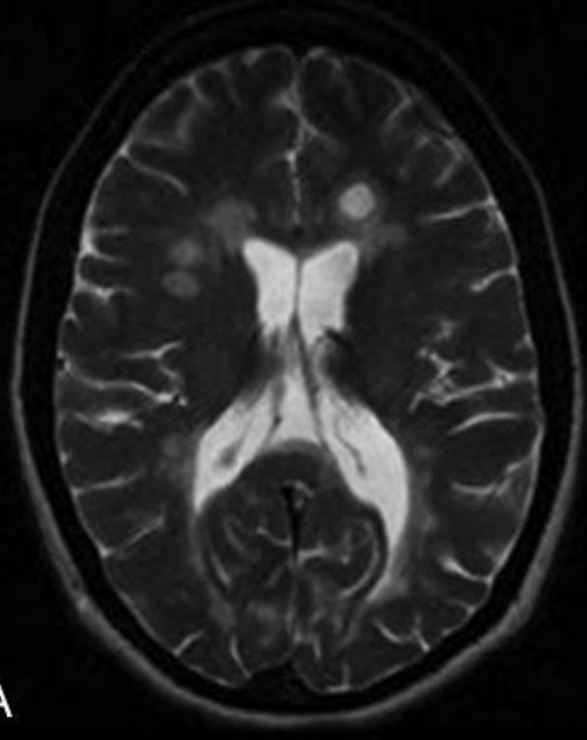


- Surprise!
 - BMS \neq \downarrow Lesion Load
 - BMS \neq \downarrow Lesion Count
- Location assoc. with differences
- Rate, Repair, Location

Table Summary findings from MRI-based studies of BMS

MRI features	Main findings in patients with BMS	Possible interpretations
Focal lesions	Similar, if not higher, brain T2 lesion load compared with RRMS	Wider interindividual variability in BMS than in other MS phenotypes
	Similar or lower brain T2 lesion load compared with SPMS	Low rate of lesion load accrual in BMS
	Smaller infratentorial lesion burden than in SPMS	Importance of lesion location
	Less intracortical lesions than in RRMS	
	Mild inflammatory activity	
Tissue loss	Similar whole brain atrophy compared with SPMS	Importance of tissue preservation in clinically eloquent CNS regions
	Less severe cerebellar, spinal, and GM atrophy than in SPMS	
Microscopic tissue damage	No clear-cut differences vs RRMS	Importance of tissue preservation in clinically eloquent CNS regions
	Less severe tissue damage within lesions and in the GM than in SPMS	More effective compensatory/repairative mechanisms in BMS
	More pronounced abnormalities in patients with BMS with cognitive deficits	Need for a new clinical definition of BMS including cognitive features





T2 - Weighted

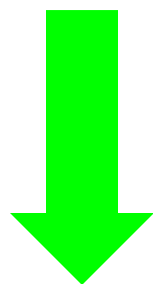
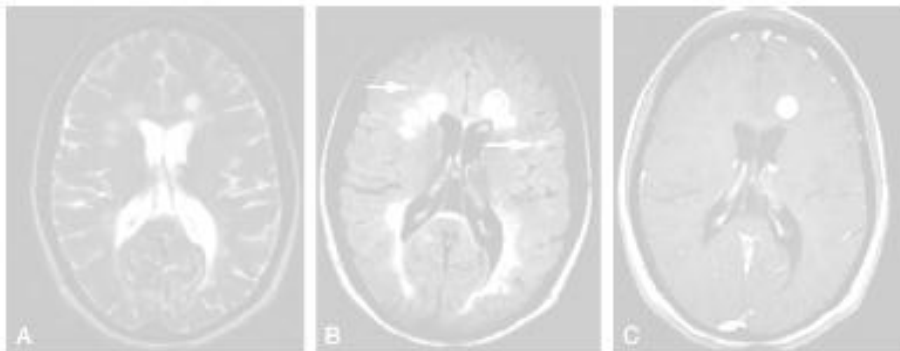
- White matter inflammation
- Hyperintensities

FLAIR

- Highly sensitive
- Supratentorial
- Periventricular

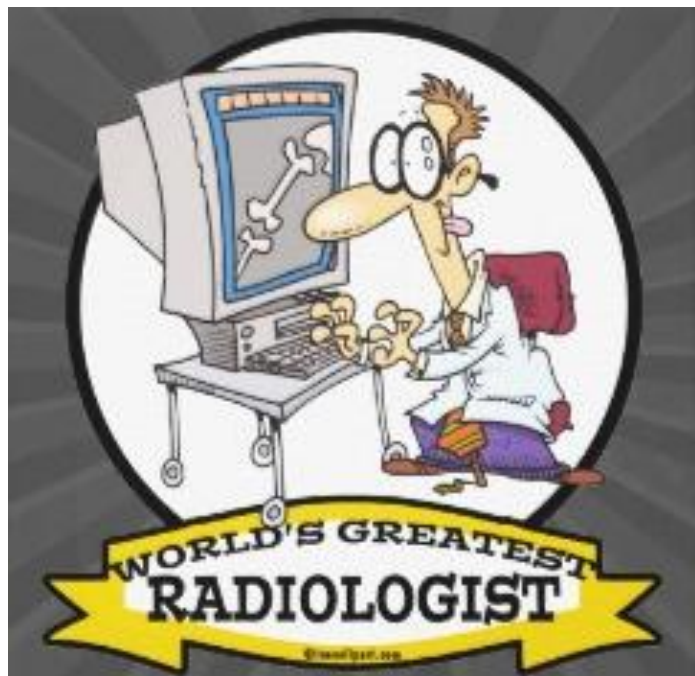
T1 - Weighted + Gd

- Active lesions enhancing
- Improves specificity

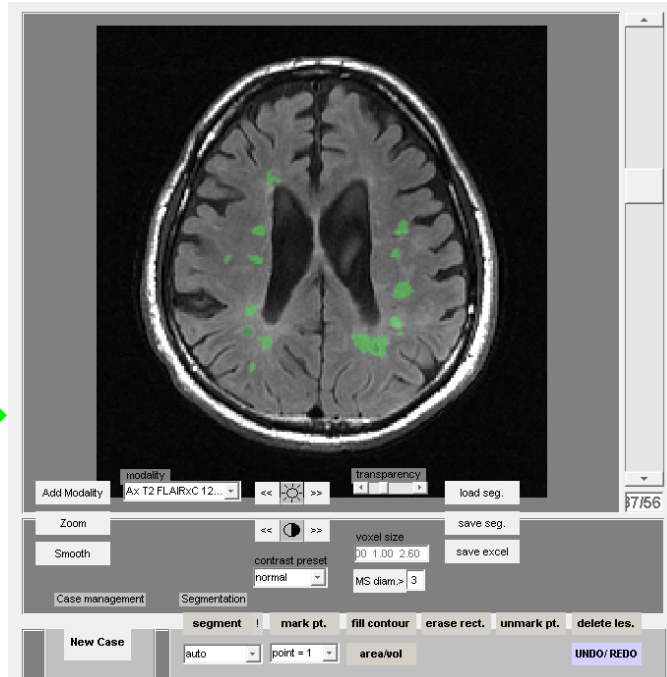


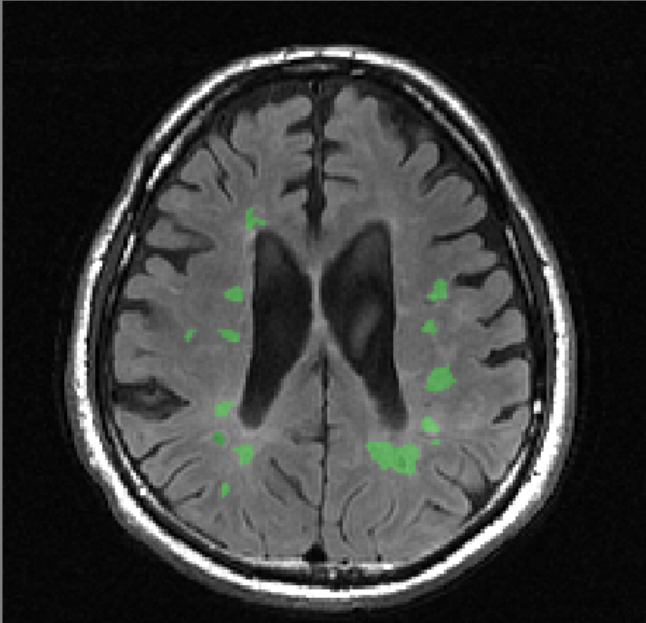
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Lesion I.D.





modality

Ax T2 FLAIRxC 12...

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transparency

load seg.

Zoom

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voxel size

DO 1.00 2.60

save seg.

Smooth

contrast preset

normal

MS diam.> 3

save excel

Case management

Segmentation

segment !

mark pt.

fill contour

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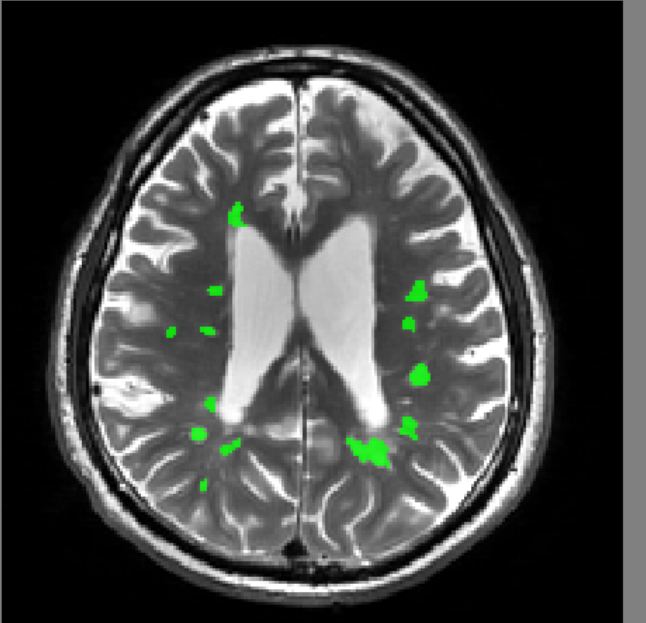
New Case

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point = 1

area/vol

UNDO/ REDO



modality

Ax FSE T2 ASSET...

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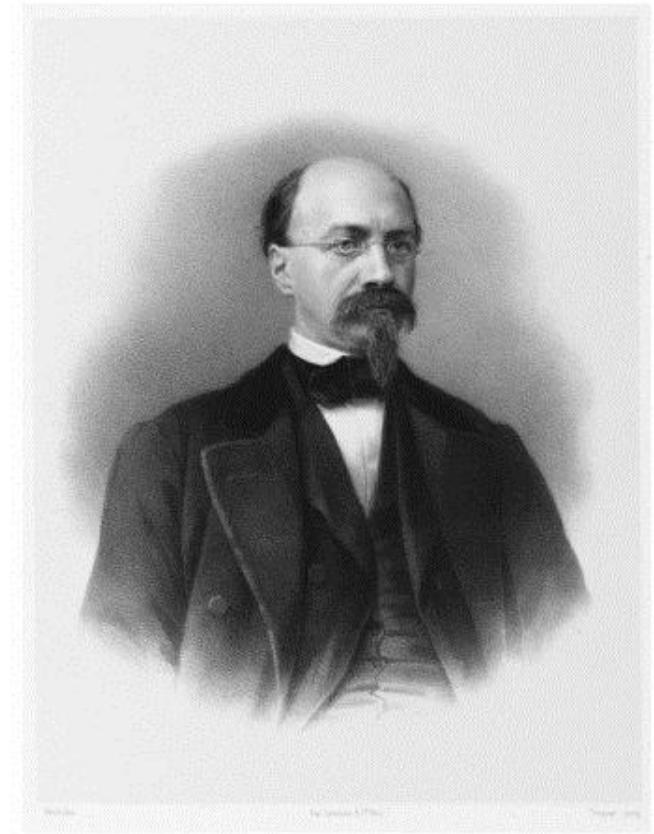
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synchronize view

Synchronization

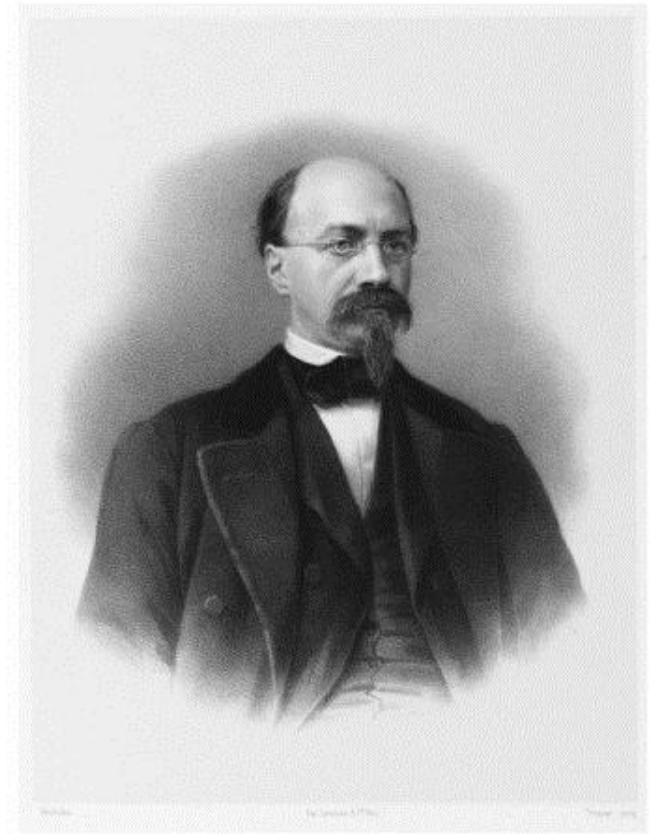
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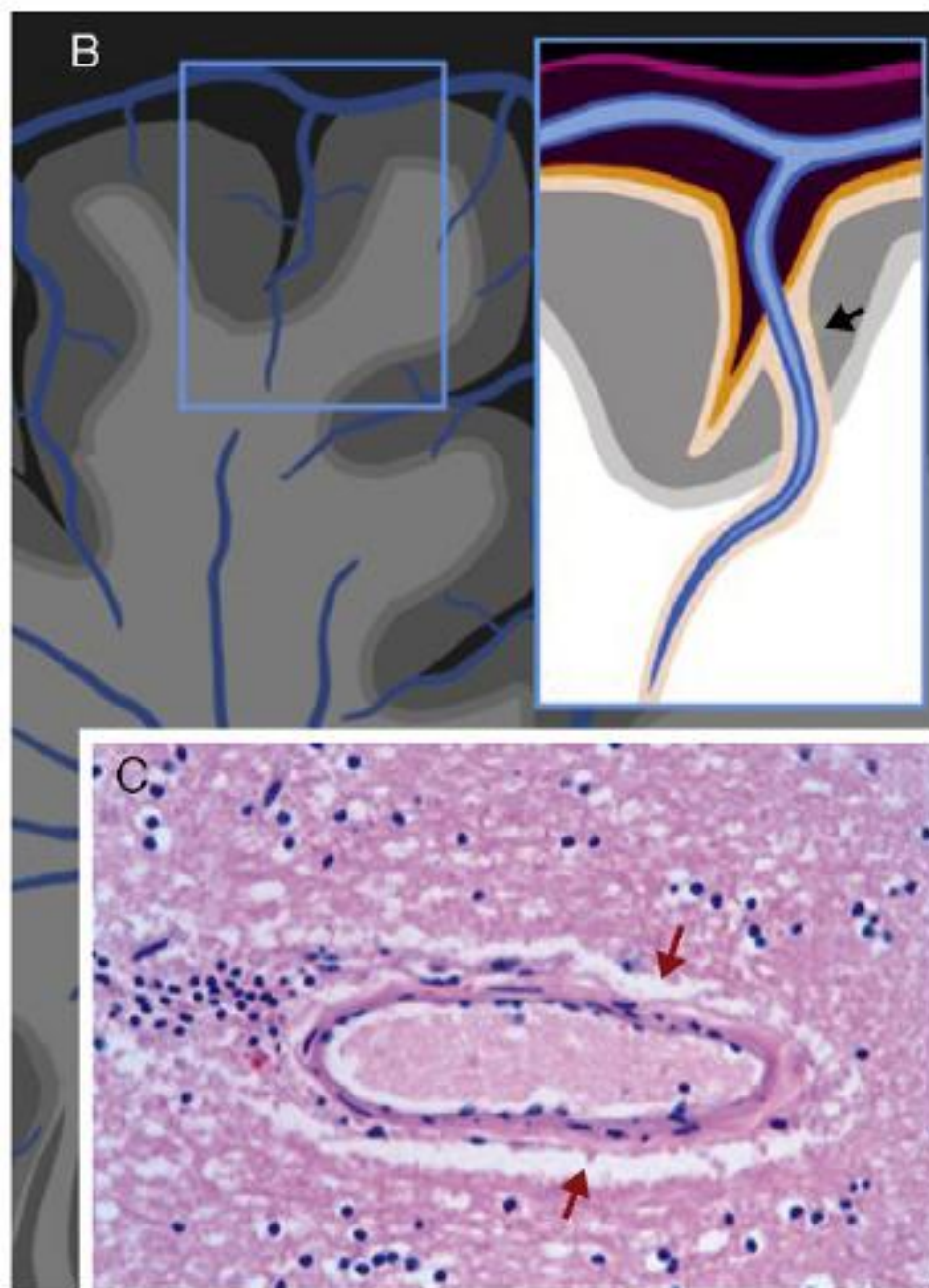


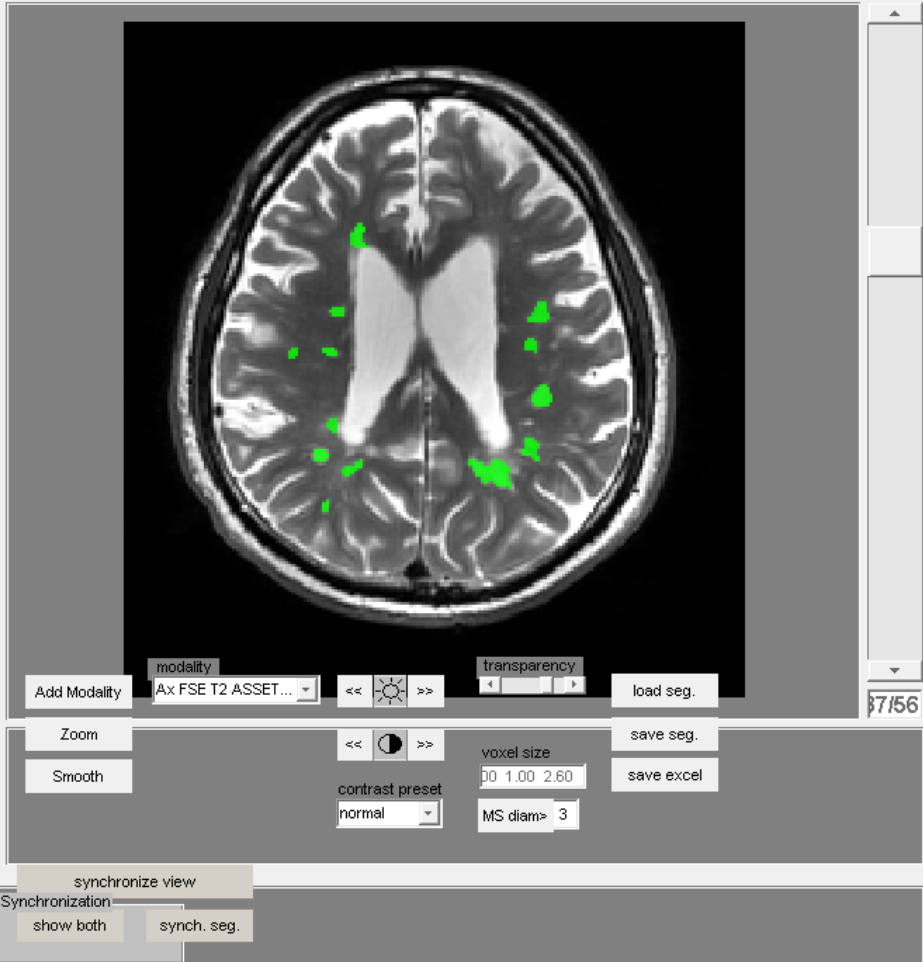
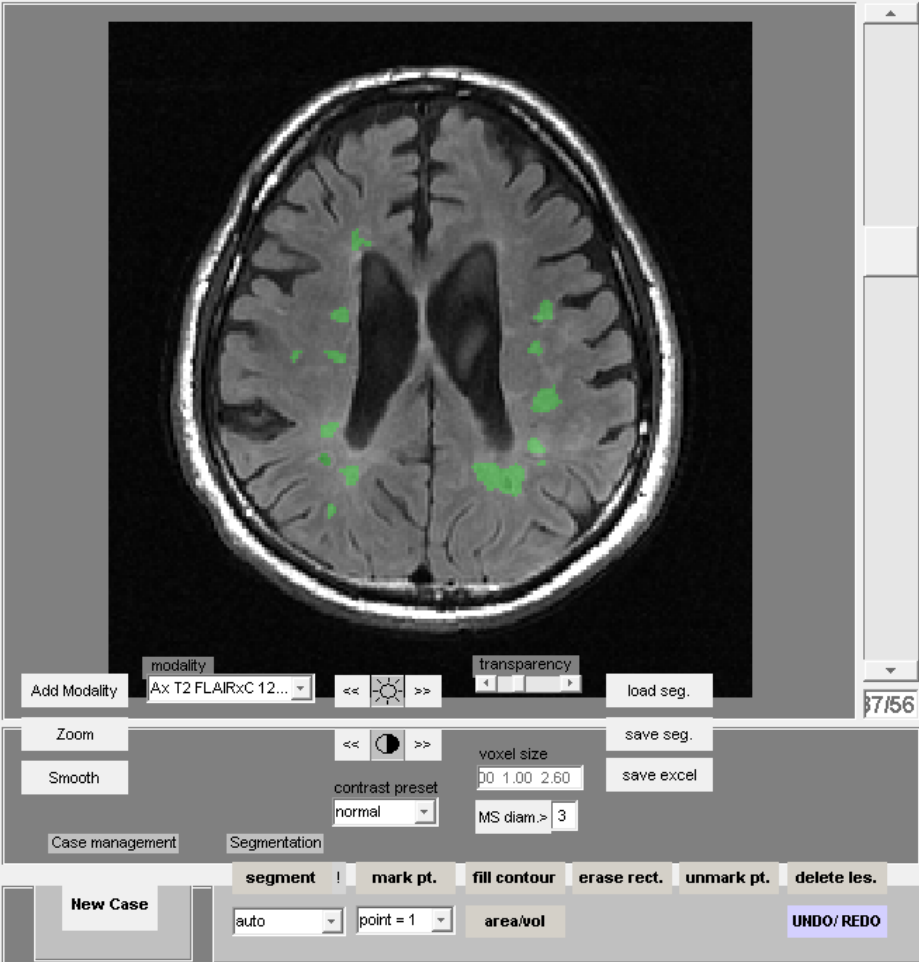


Rudolph Carl Virchow 13) October 1821 – 5 September 1902) was a German doctor ,anthropologist , pathologist



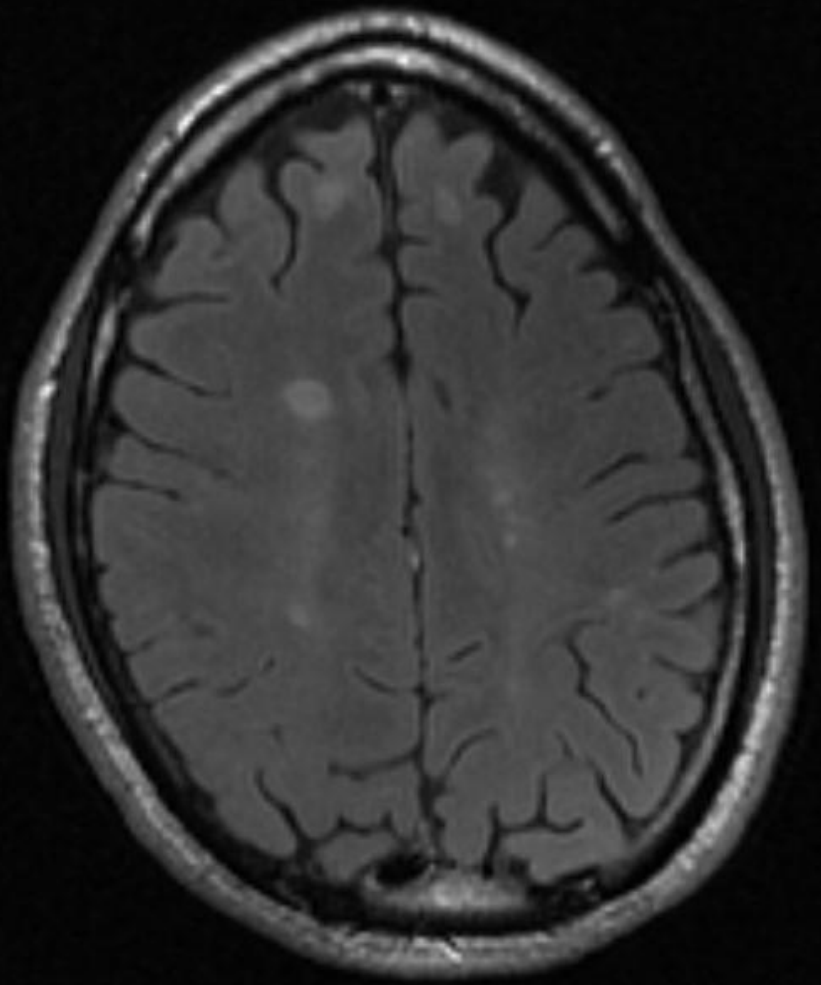
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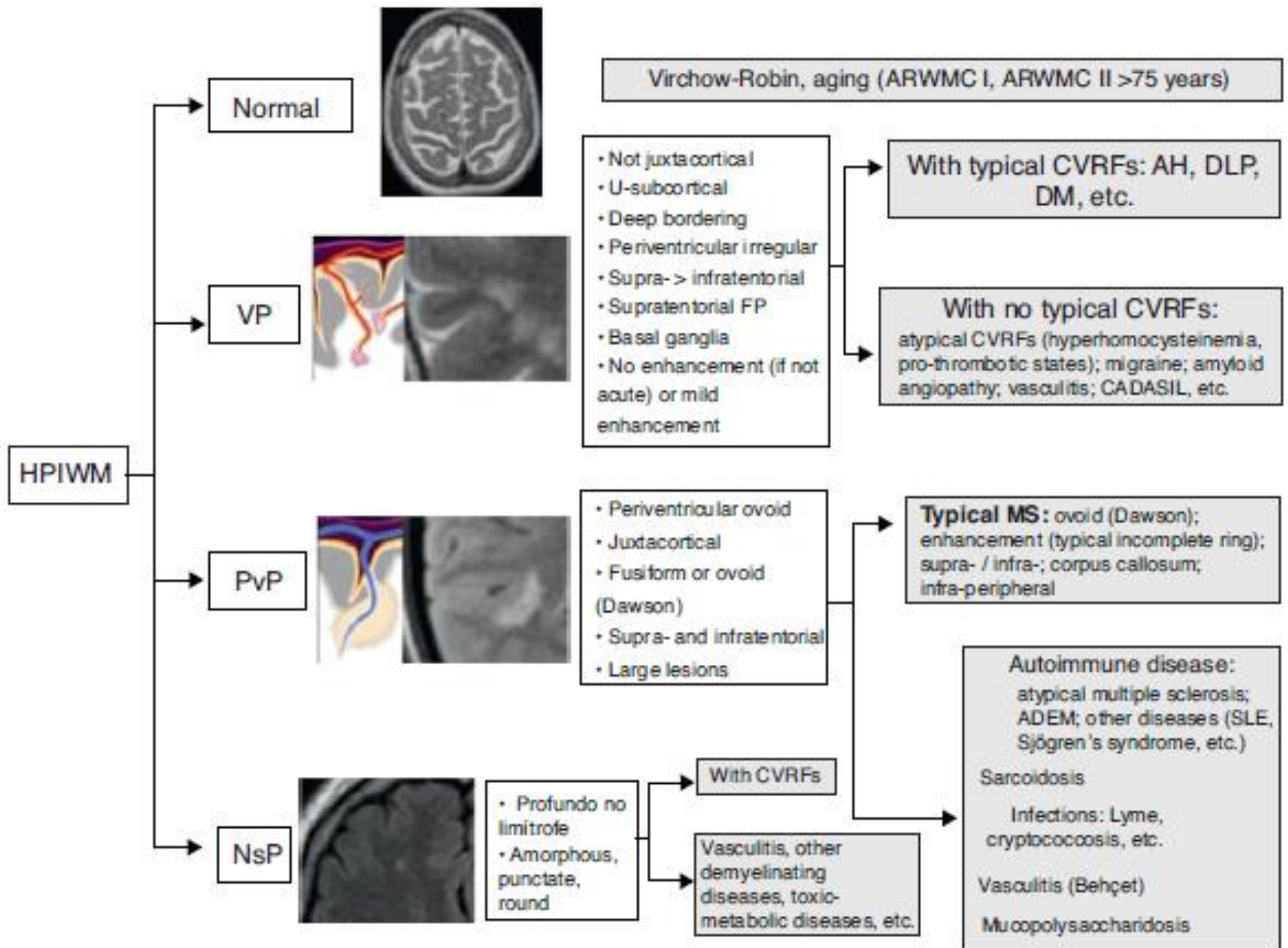


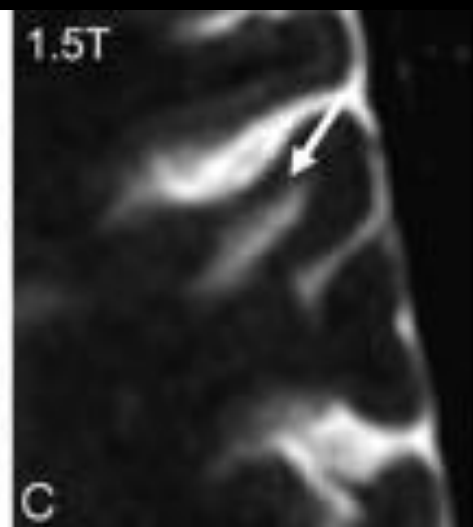
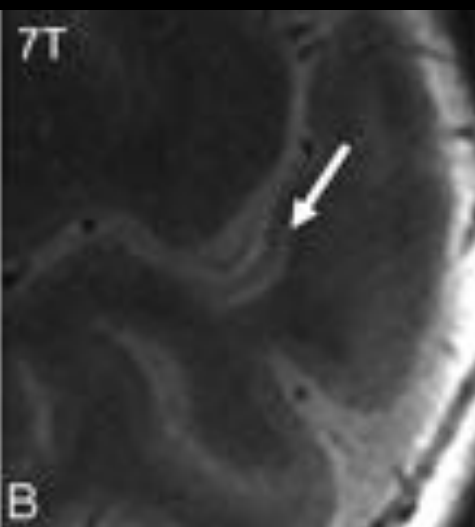
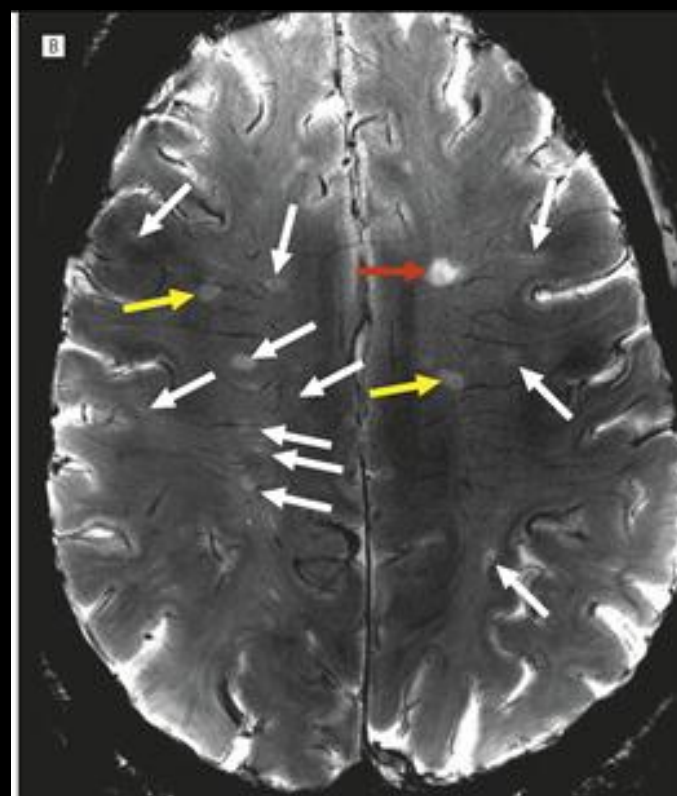
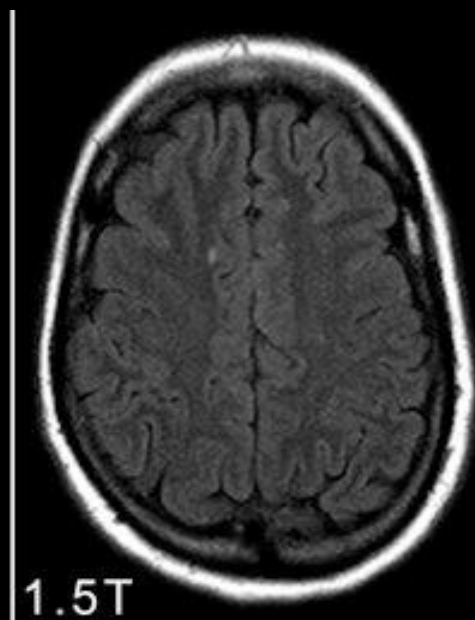
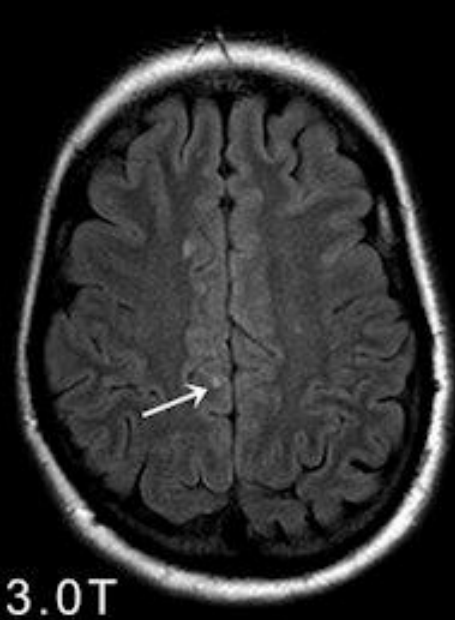
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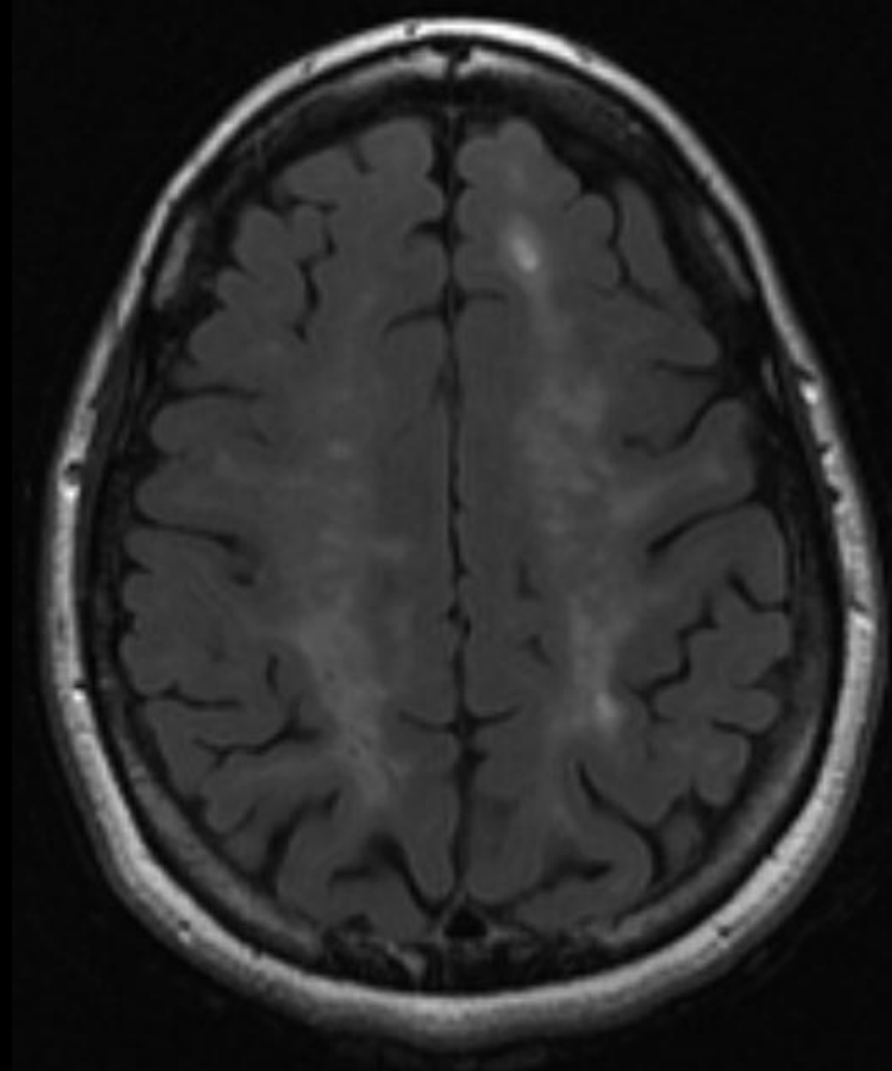
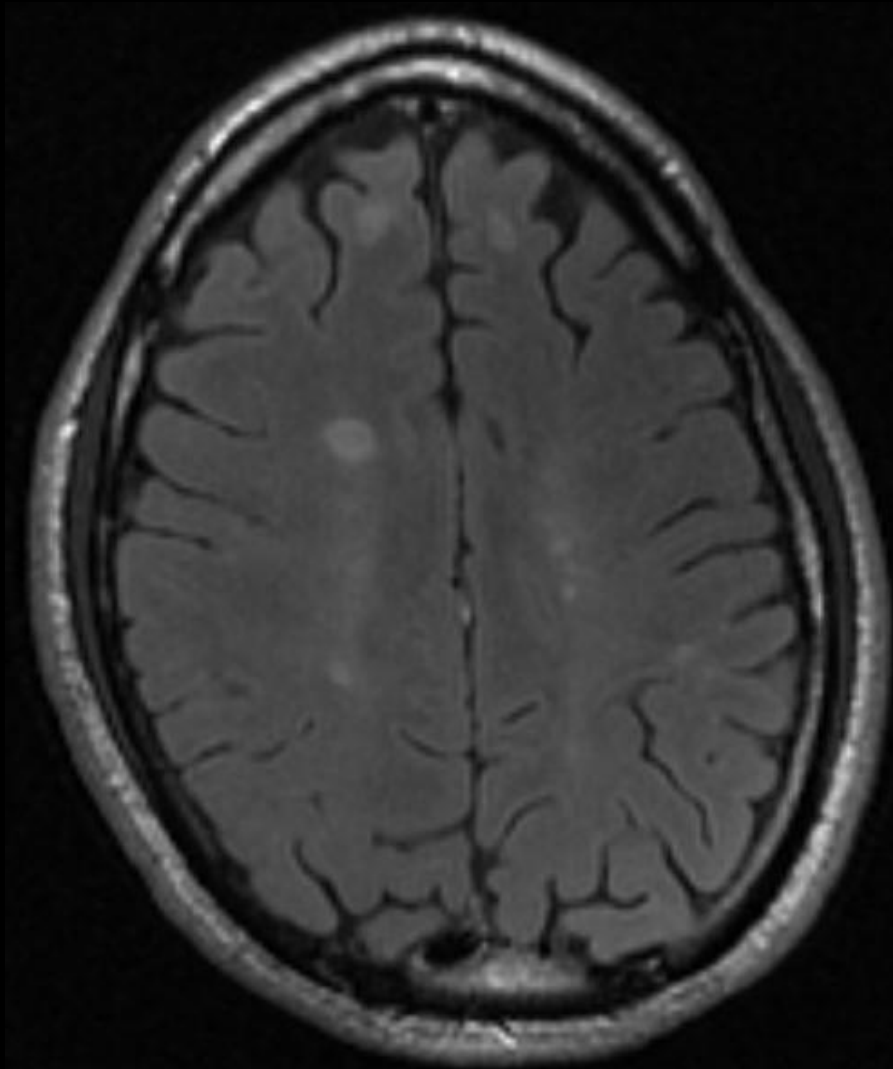
Classical Imaging Features

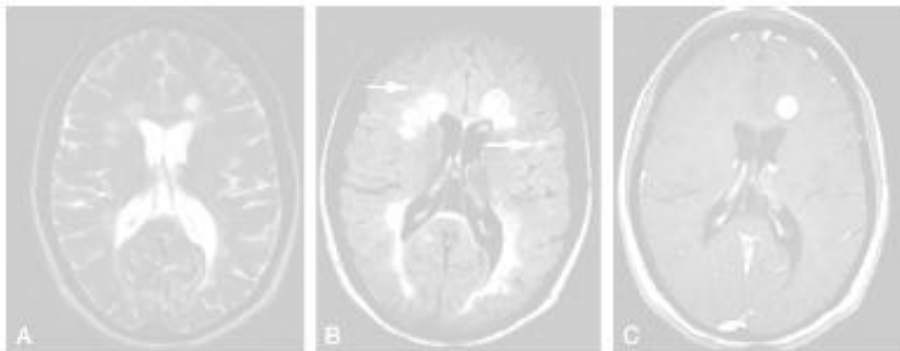


- Multiple lesions
- Ovoid shape
- Dilated perivascular space
- Optic nerve, U fiber, & Callosum involved
- Generalized atrophy at relatively younger age
- Enhancing lesions (ring, rim, or solid)
- Gradually ↑ # of lesions





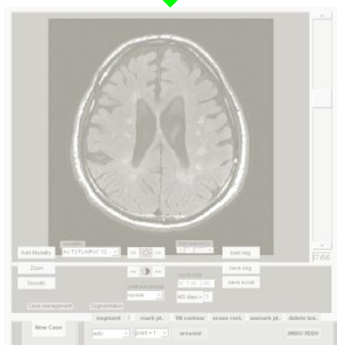




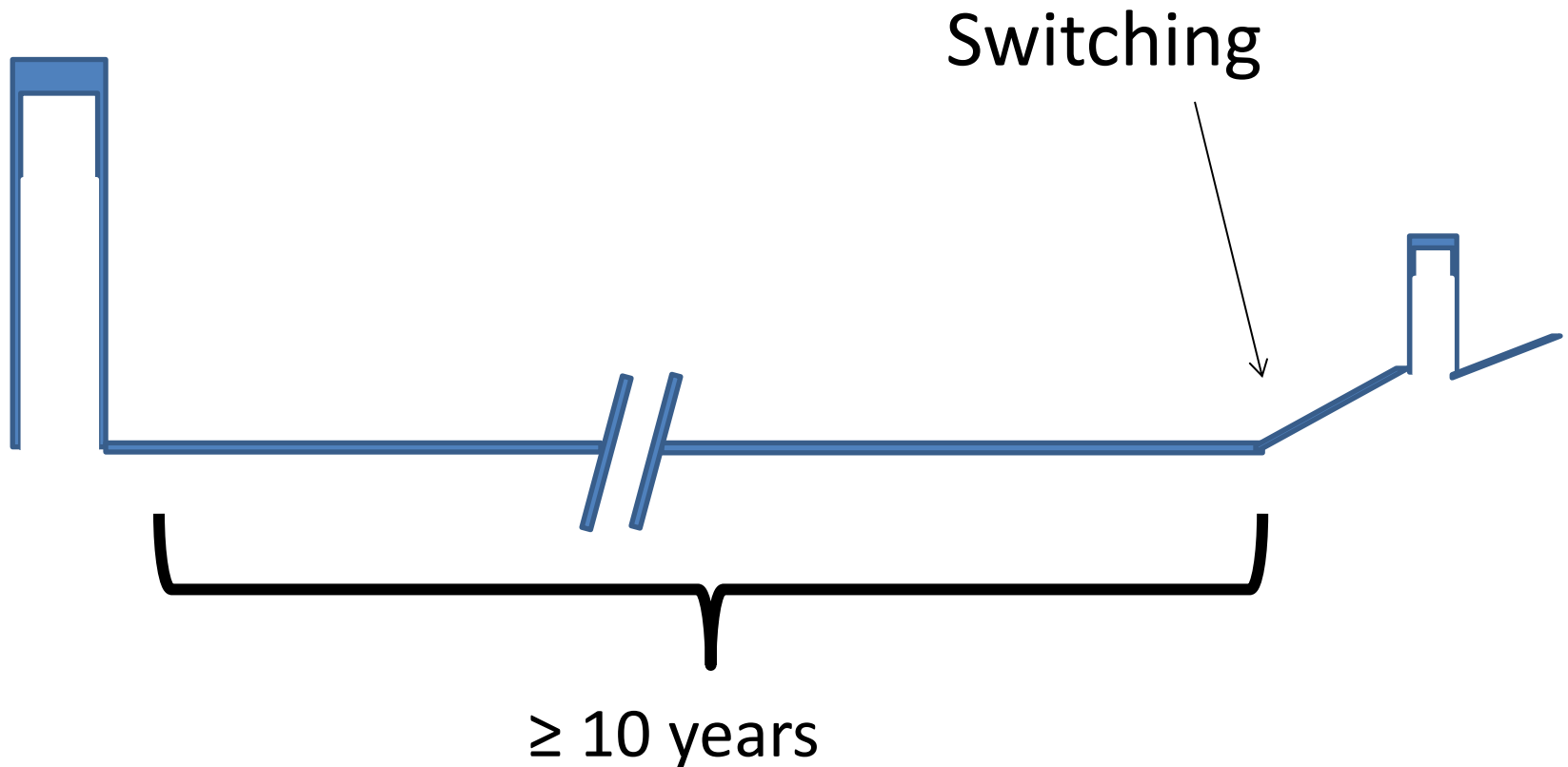
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	A	B	C	D
4	Study date	20100614		
5	Protocol Name	8CH NEW MS PROTO/6		
6	Modality type + TE-TR	Ax T2 FLAIRxC 123x156-9502		
7				
8	Number of lesions	33		
9	Lesions volume (cm3)	16.46		
10				
11	Lesion #			
12		1	0.03	
13		2	1.86	
14		3	1.52	
15		4	6.3	
16		5	0.05	
17		6	3.78	
18		7	0.06	
19		8	0.03	
20		9	0.32	
21		10	0.17	
22		11	0.07	
23		12	0.1	
24		13	0.18	
25		14	0.05	
26		15	0.07	
27		16	0.1	
28		17	0.08	

1. # of Lesions
2. Total Volume

List of lesions



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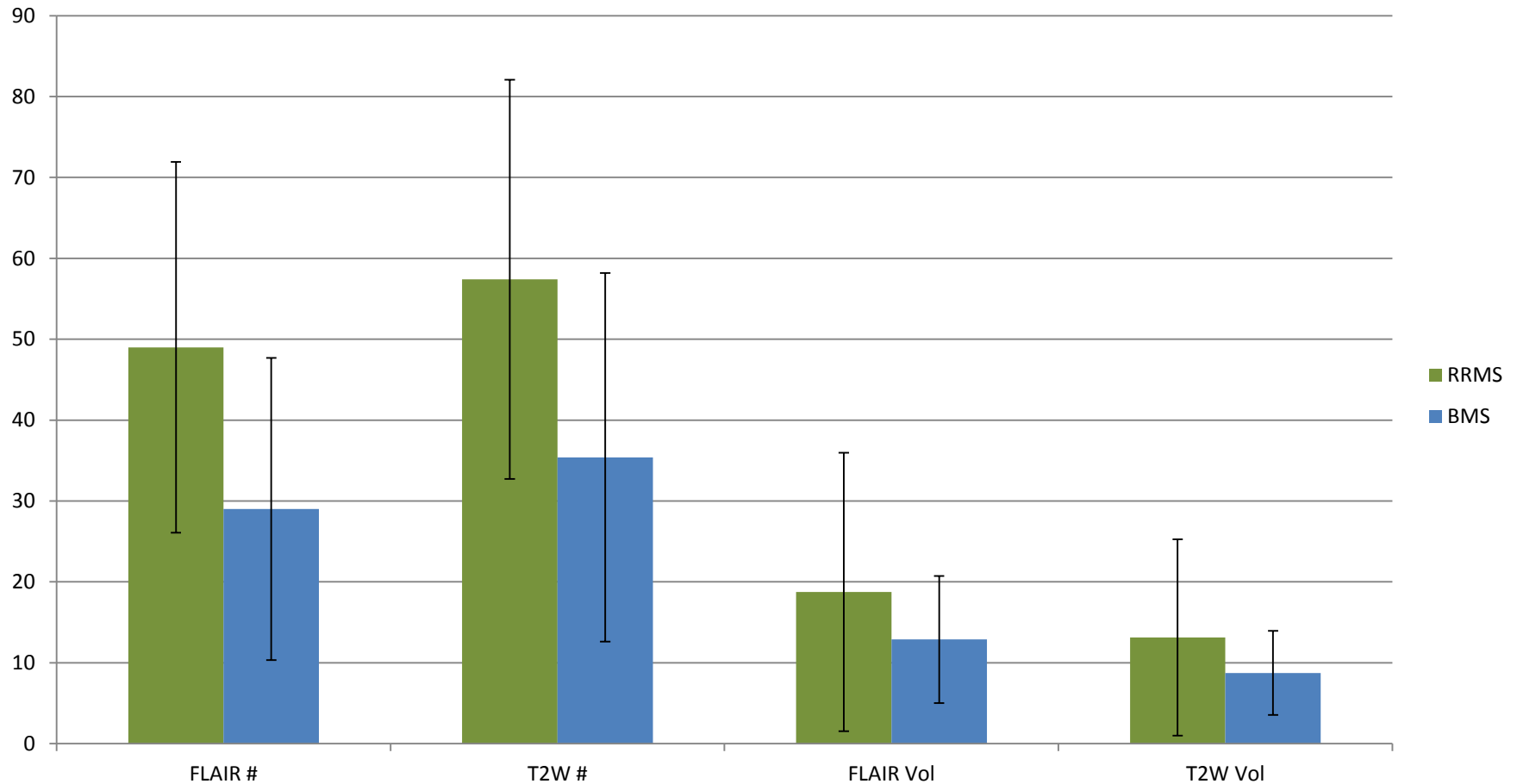


Study Population

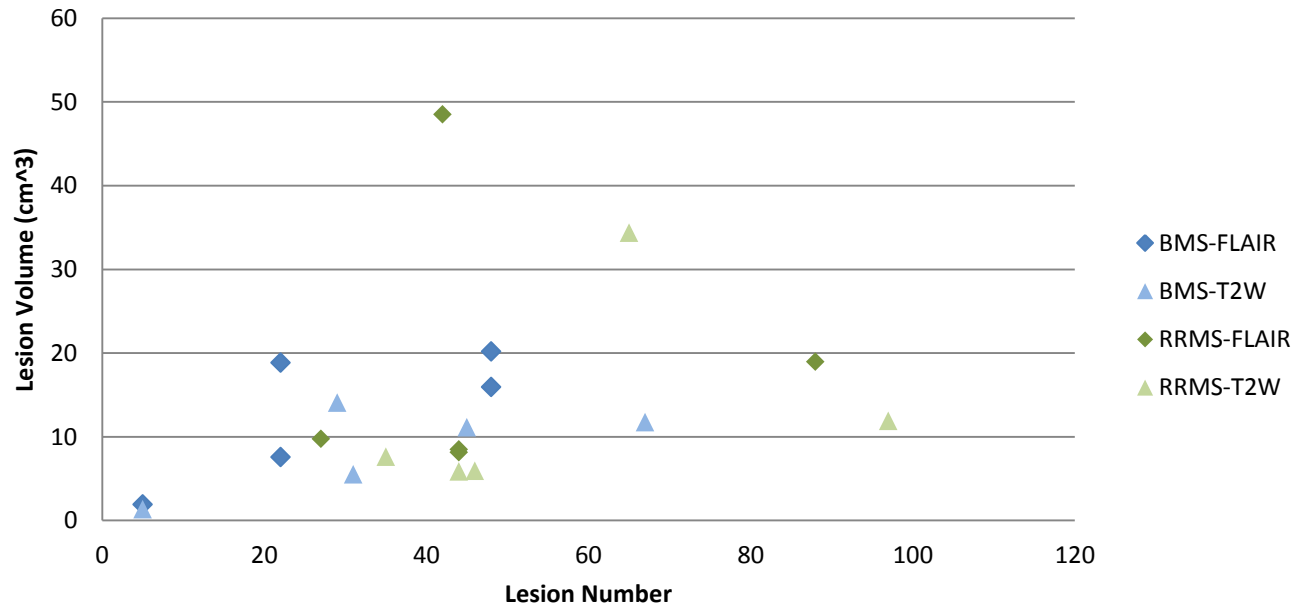
- Pilot Study
 - 14 total patients
 - 6 RRMS
 - 8 BMS
 - 10 total patients with both T2W and FLAIR
 - 5 RRMS
 - 5 BMS
- New Group
 - 27 Patients with BMS
 - Switchers & Non-switchers
 - Randomized
 - T2W, FLAIR, T1W+Gd, some have T1W sets
- Slice numbers: 56 & 112 most common

Preliminary results

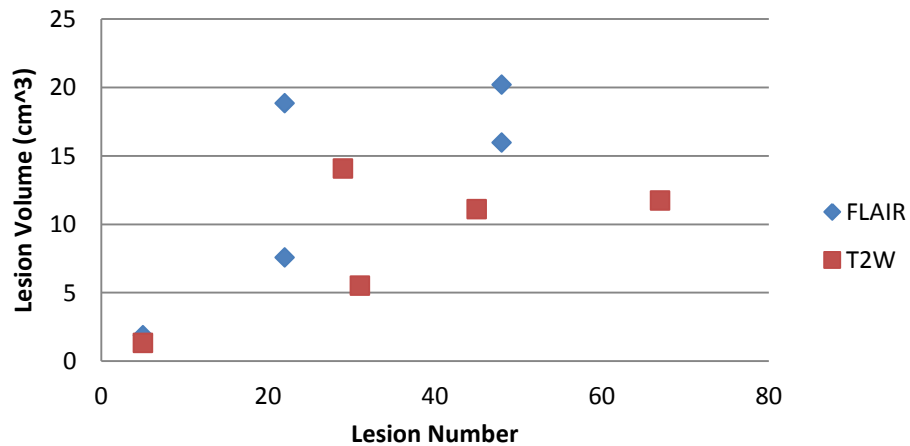
Lesion Count and Volume



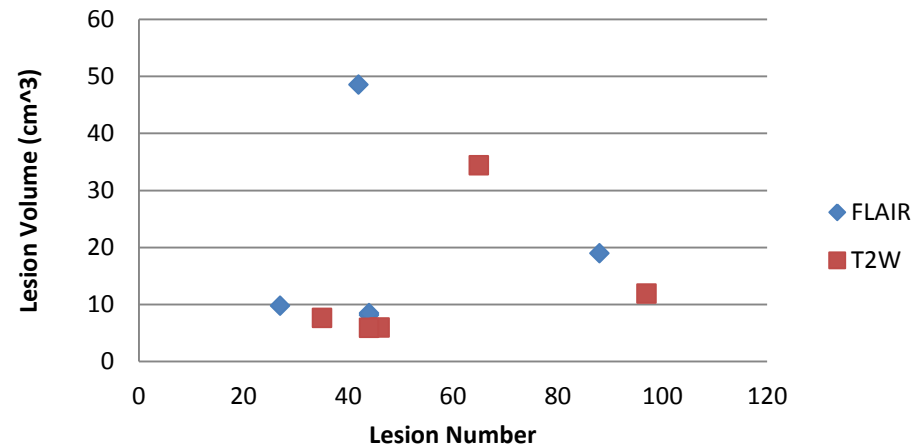
Volume vs. Count



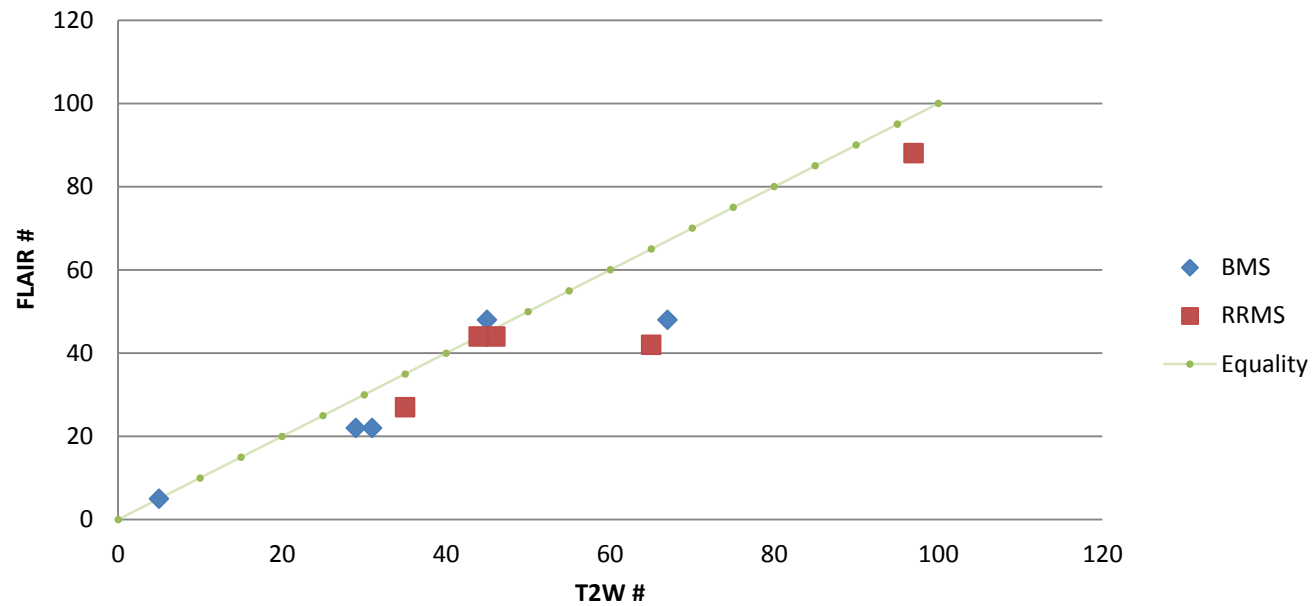
Benign MS: Volume vs. Count



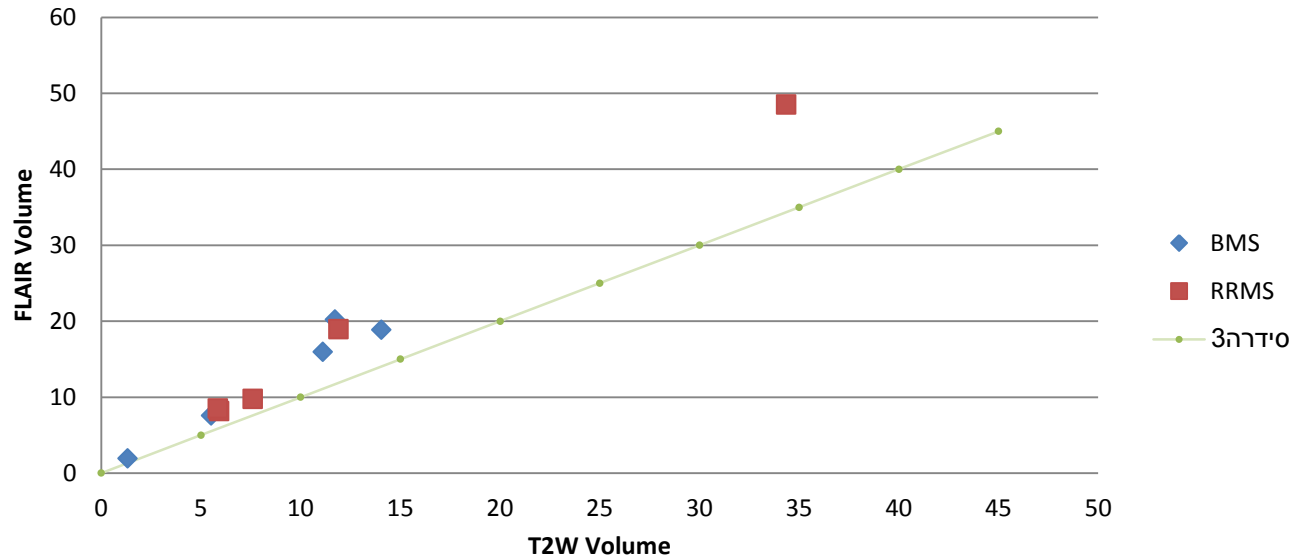
RRMS: Volume vs. Count



Lesion Counts



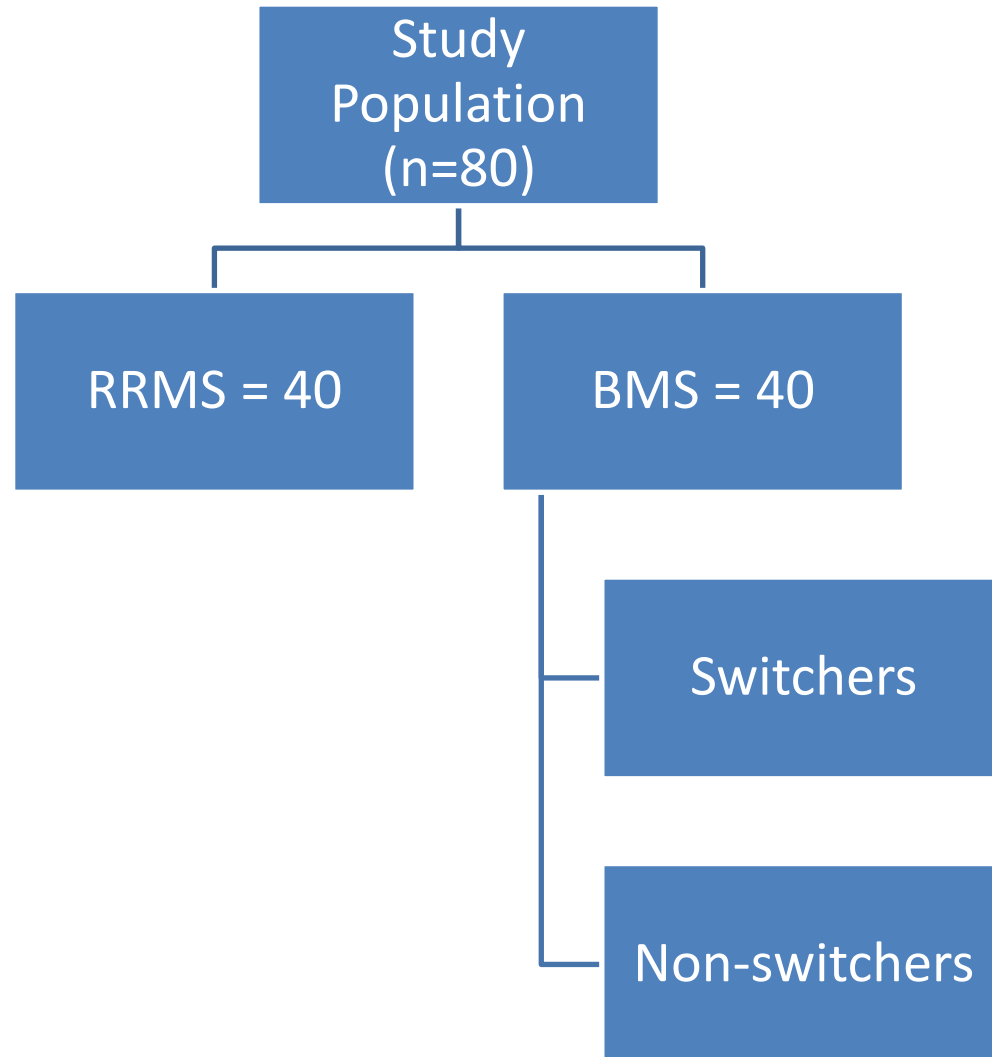
Lesion Volume

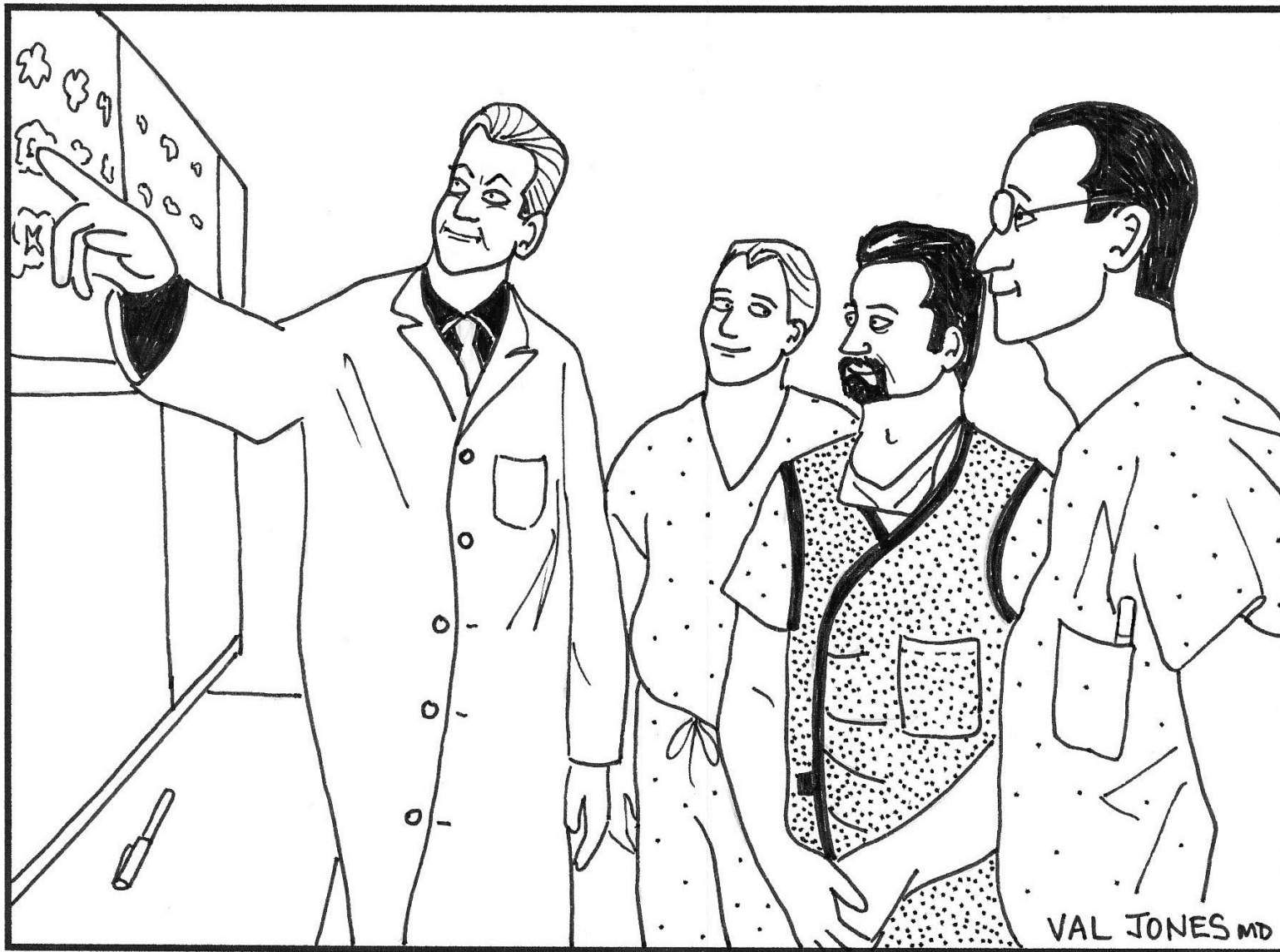


All Variables Considered

- Lesions:
 - Count
 - Total Volume
 - Volume Distribution
 - Location (?)
- EDSS score
- Demographics
- Date of MS onset
- Time to progression
- Time to second relapse

Future Steps: More Patients





"Dr. Richards had to scrape the resident's lunch drippings off the films in order to reveal the underlying pathology."