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Purpose: To study the feasibility of boosting the dose delivered to a dominant intraprostatic lesion (DIL), identified by functional imaging, requiring higher dose for better tumor control using Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT) and Volumetric Modulated Arc Therapy (VMAT).

Materials and Methods: Treatment planning was performed on 2 patient CT-scans with hypothetical DIL (1/8 the size of the prostate) in the inferior-posterior-left side of the prostate using Pinnacle treatment planning system (Philips Medical Systems). Three types of plan were generated, (A1) 10 Gy 5-field IMRT boost to the DIL-PTV followed by 76 Gy 5-field IMRT to the Prostate-PTV, (A2) 10 Gy VMAT boost to the DIL-PTV followed by 76 Gy 5-field IMRT to the Prostate-PTV and (A3) 10 Gy VMAT boost to the DIL-PTV followed by 76 Gy VMAT to the Prostate-PTV. Plans were delivered using Varian linac and verified using MapCheck and MapPhan (Sun Nuclear).

Results: For plans A1, A2 and A3, the DIL-PTV received a mean dose of 87.0±0.7 Gy, 86.4±0.4 Gy and 87.5±0.8 Gy respectively, and the Prostate-PTV – DIL-PTV received a mean dose of 77.9±1.1 Gy, 77.7±0.7 Gy and 78.1±1.3 Gy respectively. All three plans did not exceed the normal tissue tolerances from the guidelines of the RTOG 0126. Plan A2 had a slightly lower dose to the rectum and bladder. All the plans were delivered and verified successfully. The plan A3 had better dose conformity to DIL-PTV.

Conclusions: This study demonstrates the feasibility of using any of the three treatment methods in treating a DIL without exceeding normal tissue tolerances. However, considering the speed of VMAT delivery over the 5-field IMRT and better conformity of the dose distribution, a VMAT boost to a DIL followed by a VMAT to the Prostate-PTV is a preferable treatment option for DIL dose-escalation.

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