Functional Respiratory Imaging (FRI) to assess the bio-equivalence of inhaled medication

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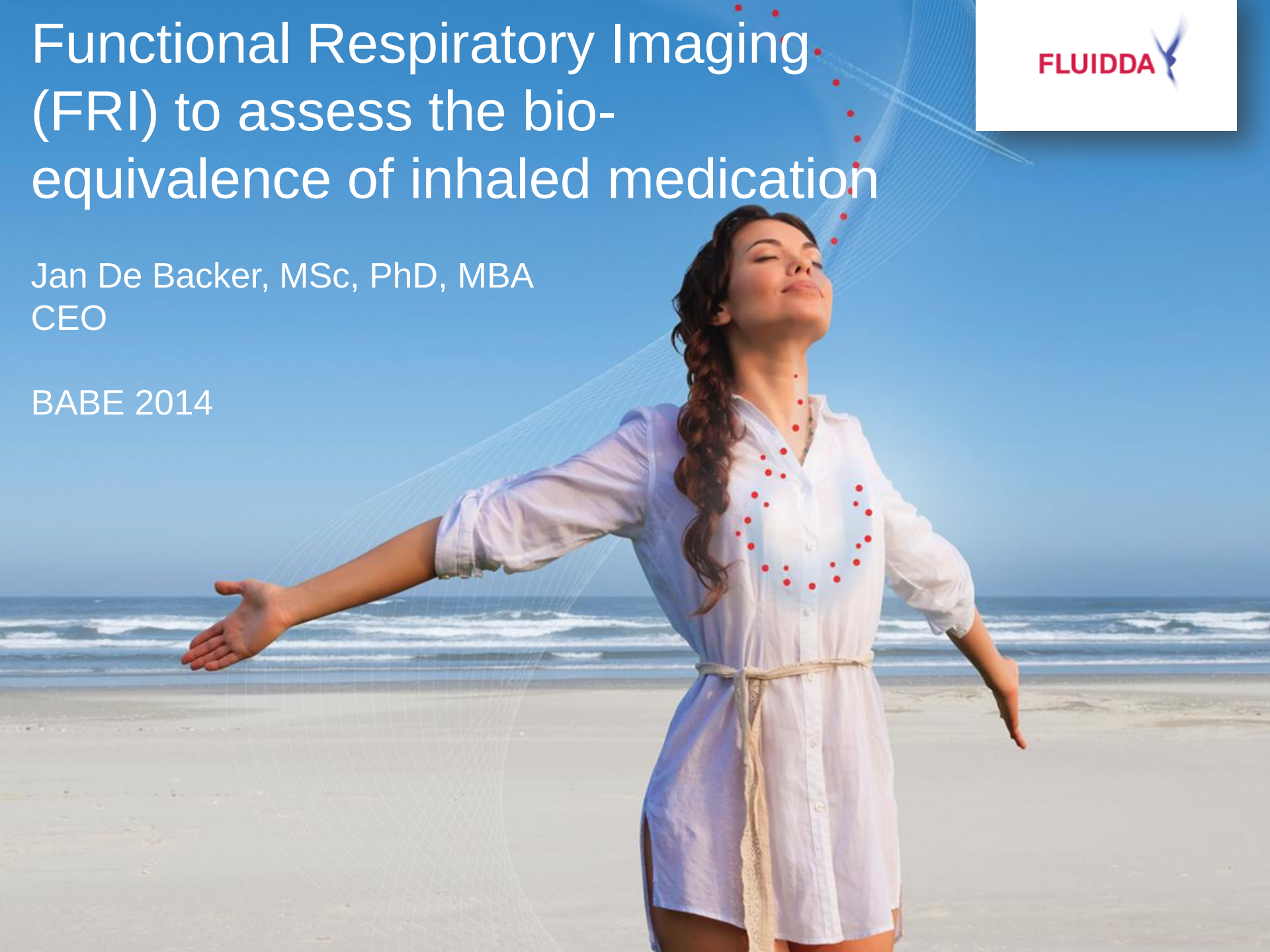

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OVERVIEW

- **Functional Respiratory Imaging (FRI)**
  - FRI outcome parameters
  - Added value in drug and device development
- **Bio-equivalence**
  - Salmeterol/Fluticasone branded vs generic in asthma
  - Salbutamol vs Ipratropium Bromide in COPD
- **Conclusions**

CHALLENGES IN RESPIRATORY DRUG DEVELOPMENT

Limited sensitivity of current Pulmonary Function Tests (FEV1,…)

Very difficult to demonstrate efficacy of novel compounds, resulting in **high number of patients needed in clinical trials**

Excessive respiratory drug development cost > $1.5 billion

Difficult to demonstrate bio-equivalence

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AIM

- Explain Functional Respiratory Imaging (FRI)
- Demonstrate enhanced sensitivity wrt PFT
- Reduction in # patients required for clinical trials to understand mode of action
- Use clinical trials as a design tool in phase I and II
  - To assess bioequivalence
  - To de-risk phase III

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IMAGING BIOMARKERS

- FRI is an imaging biomarkers for respiratory diseases
  - What are imaging biomarkers?

According to Wikipedia:

"A biomarker, or biological marker, generally refers to a **measured** characteristic which may be used as an indicator of some **biological** state or condition."

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Event

Biomarker

Intervention

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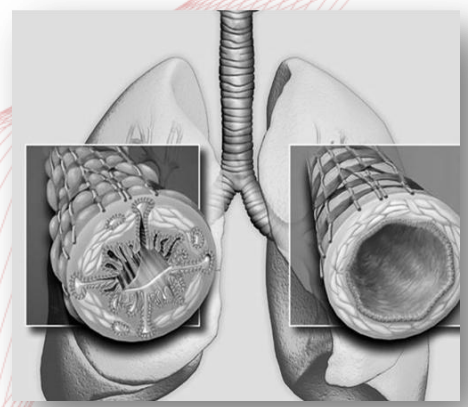

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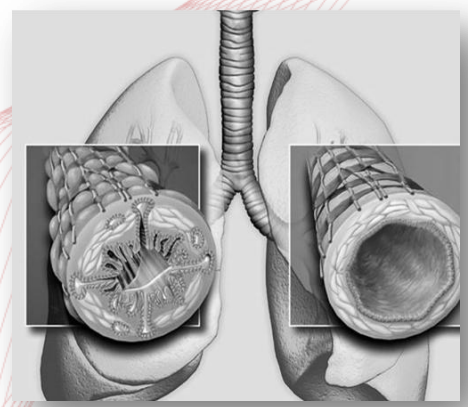

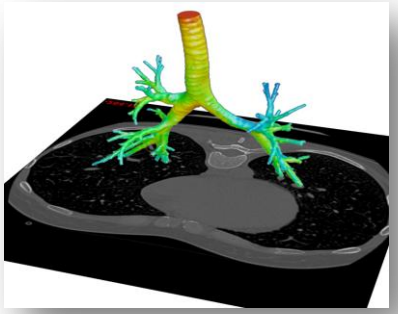

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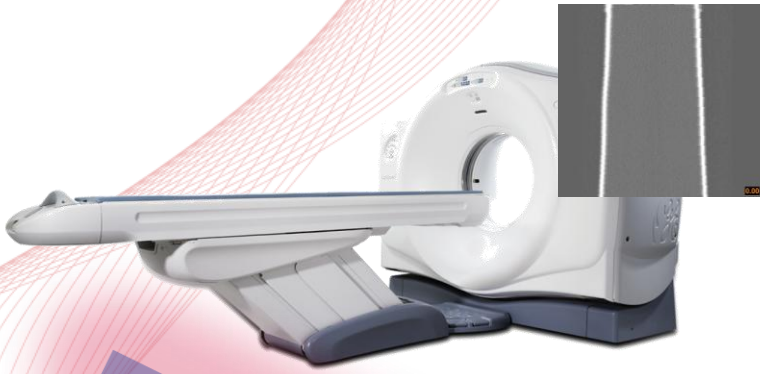

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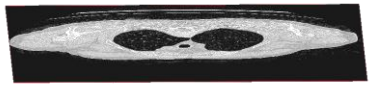

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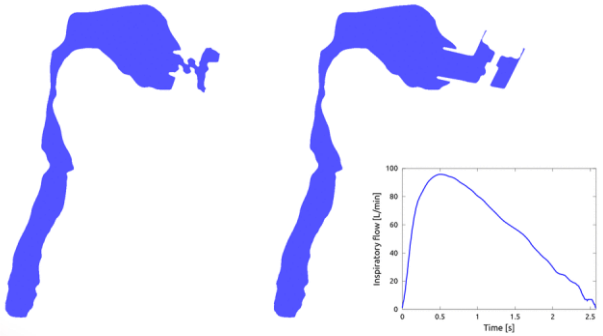

simulate flow

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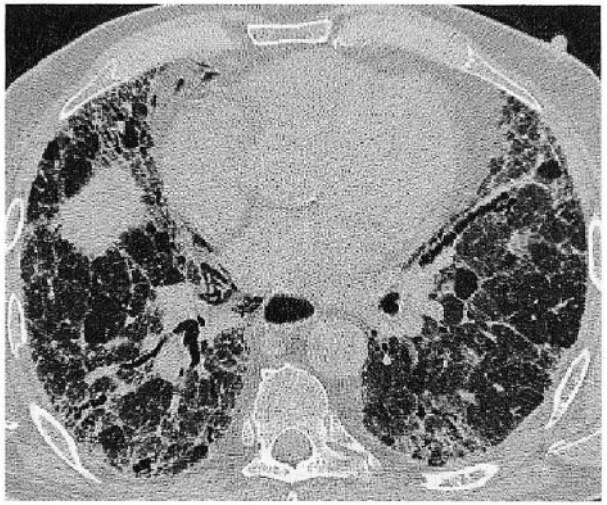
FUNCTIONAL RESPIRATORY IMAGING (FRI)

- High-resolution CT images are converted into patient-specific 3D computer models



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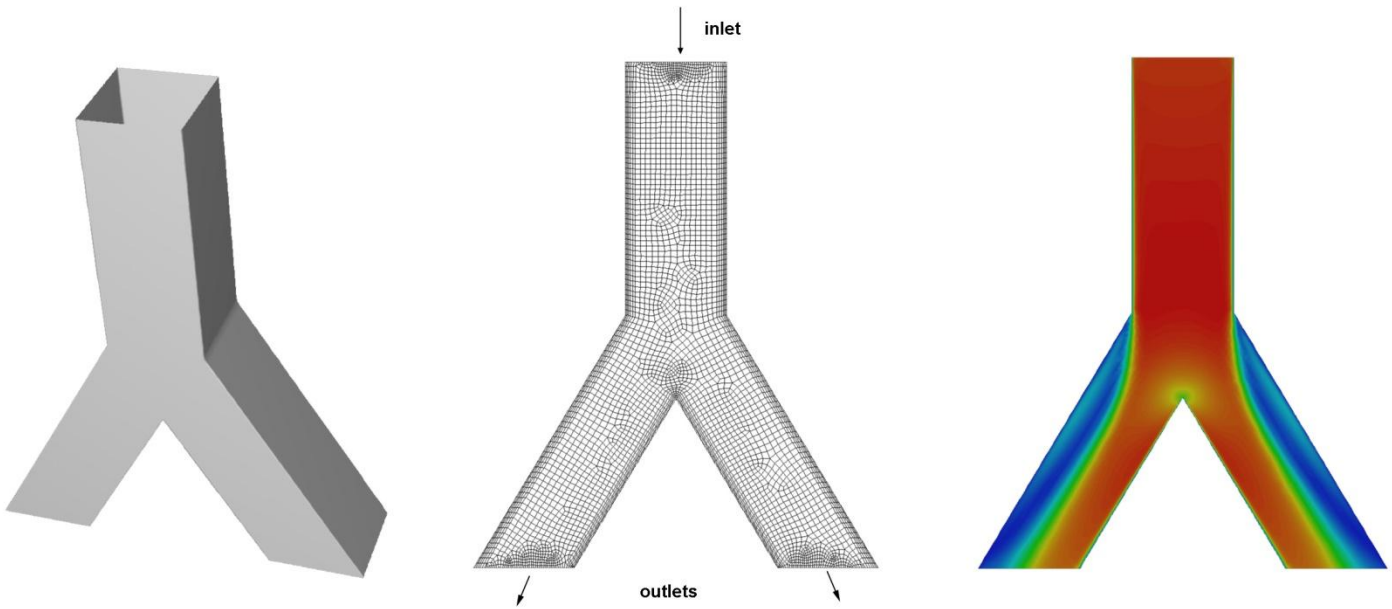
FUNCTIONAL RESPIRATORY IMAGING (FRI)

- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Solving Navier-Stokes equations numerically
- Computational grid
- Boundary conditions



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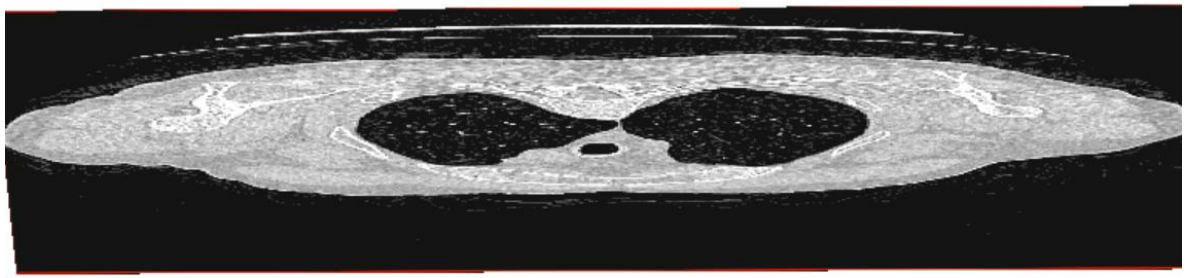

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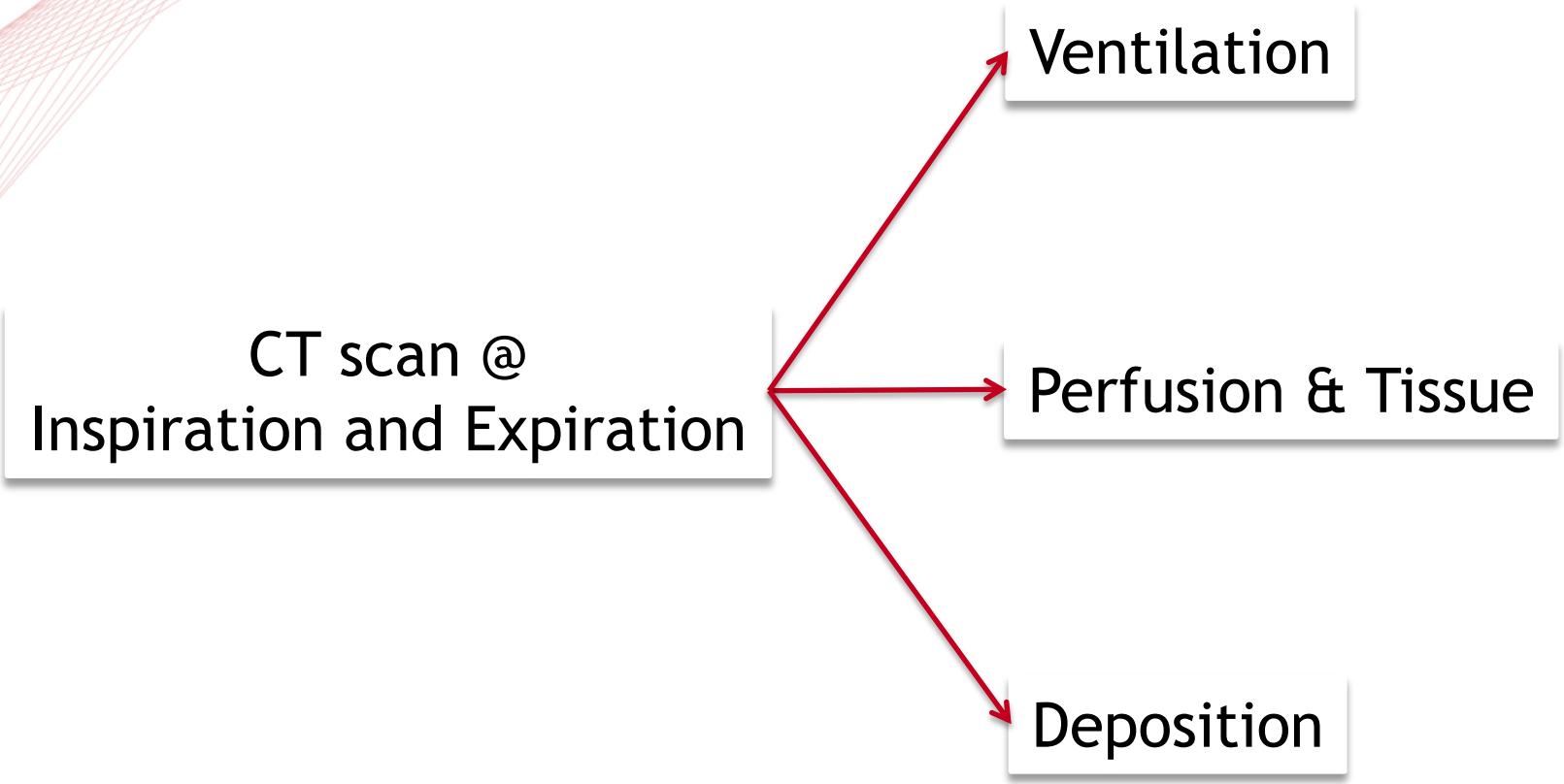

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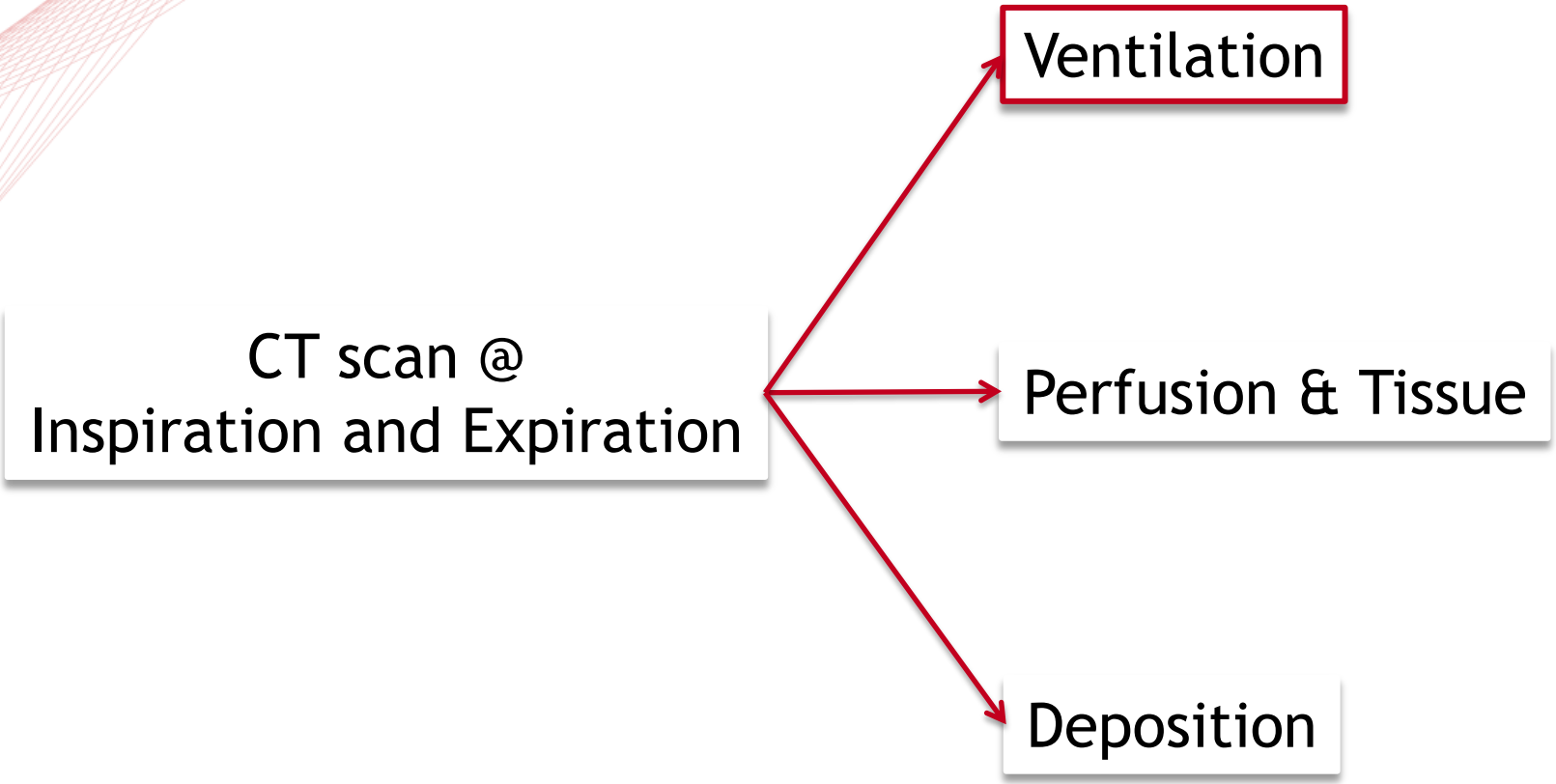

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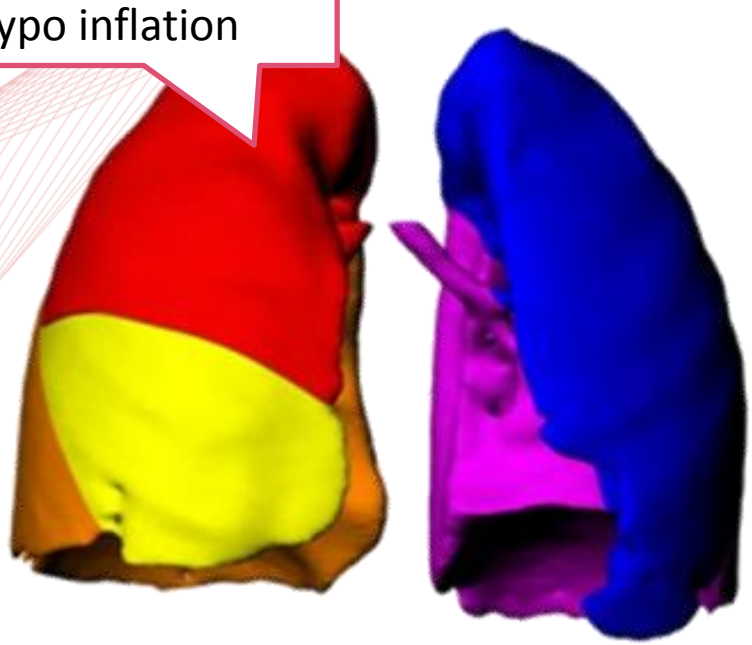
Lobar Volumes

Lobe volumes could be expressed as %p to assess hyper- or hypo inflation



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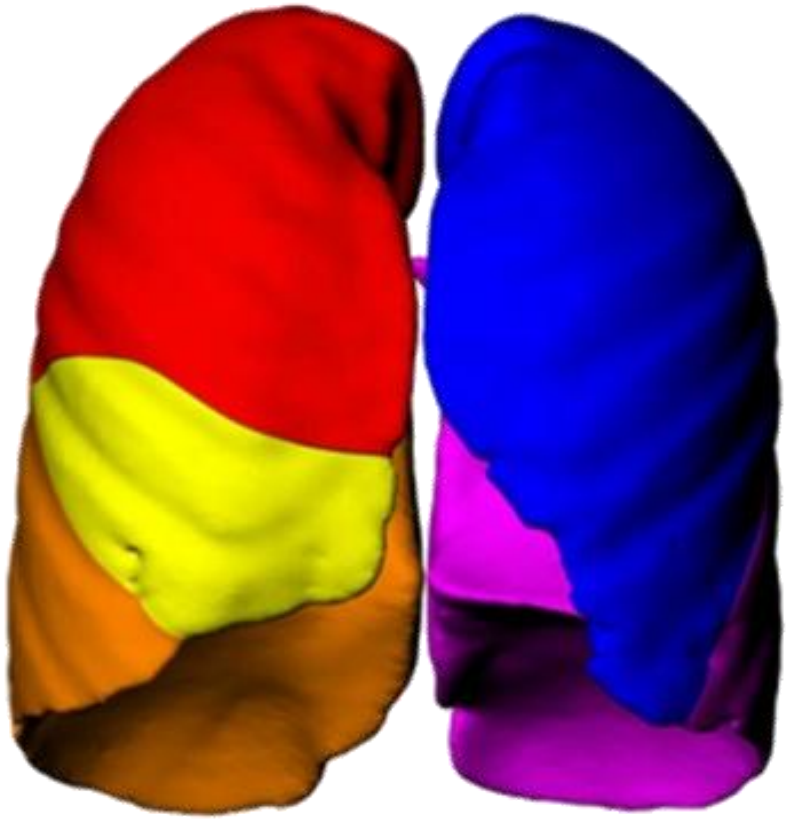

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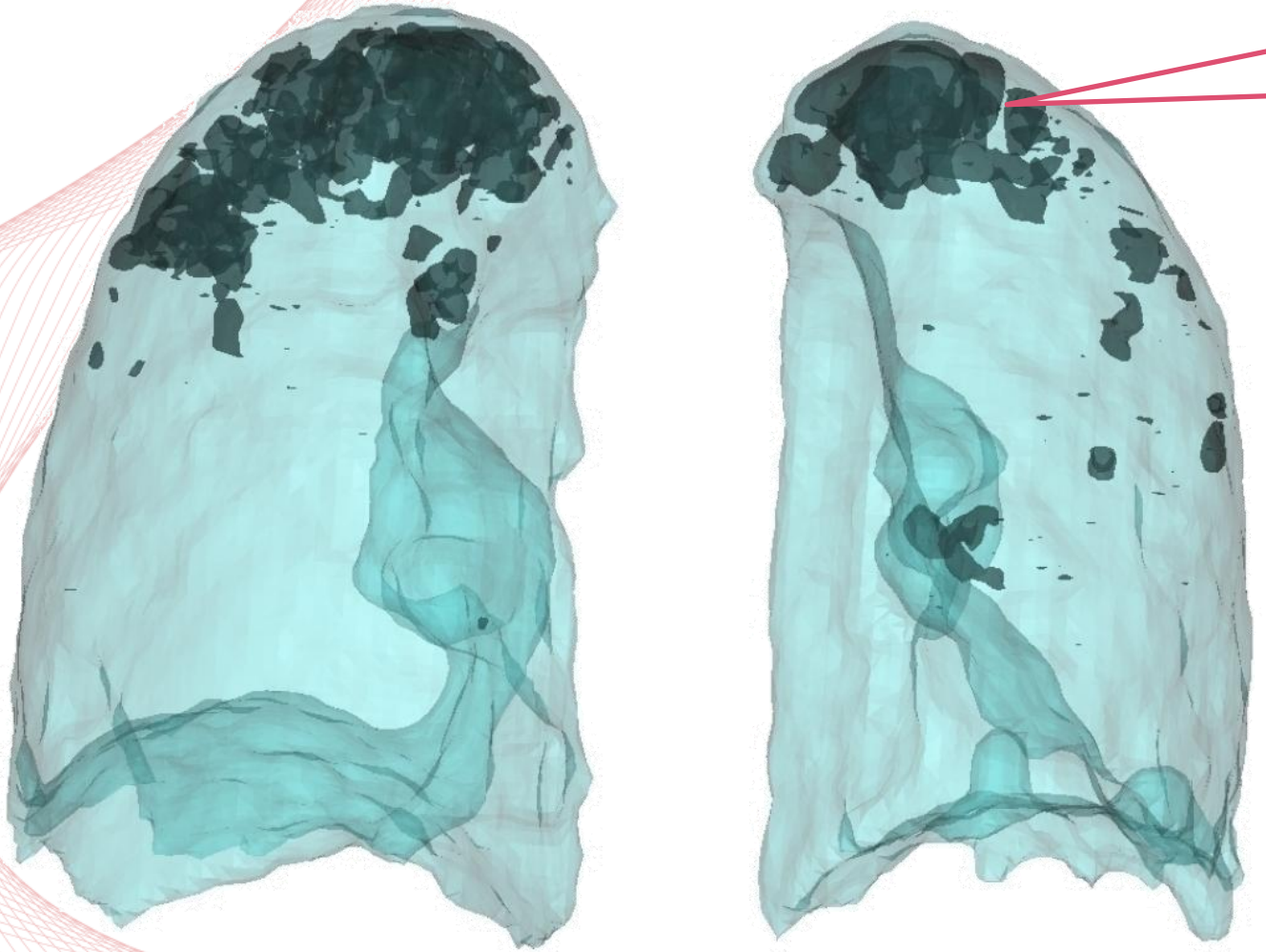
Air Trapping



Fraction of volume with HU <-850 on FRC scan

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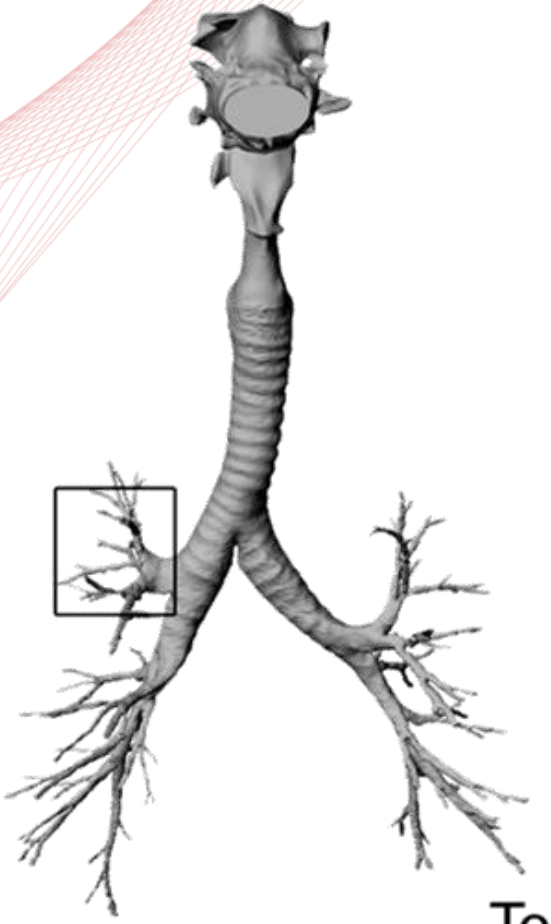
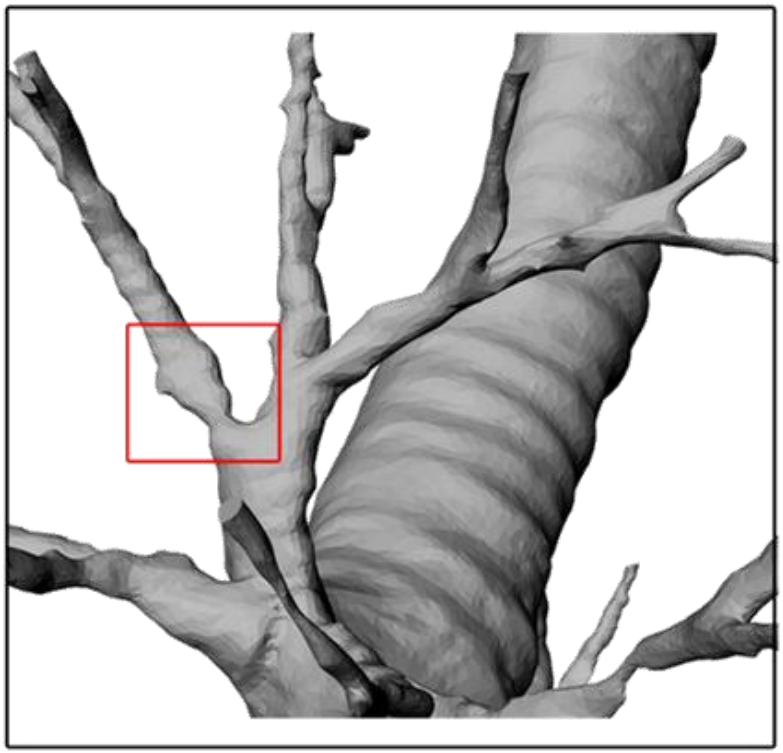
Airway Volumes





Total Lung Capacity

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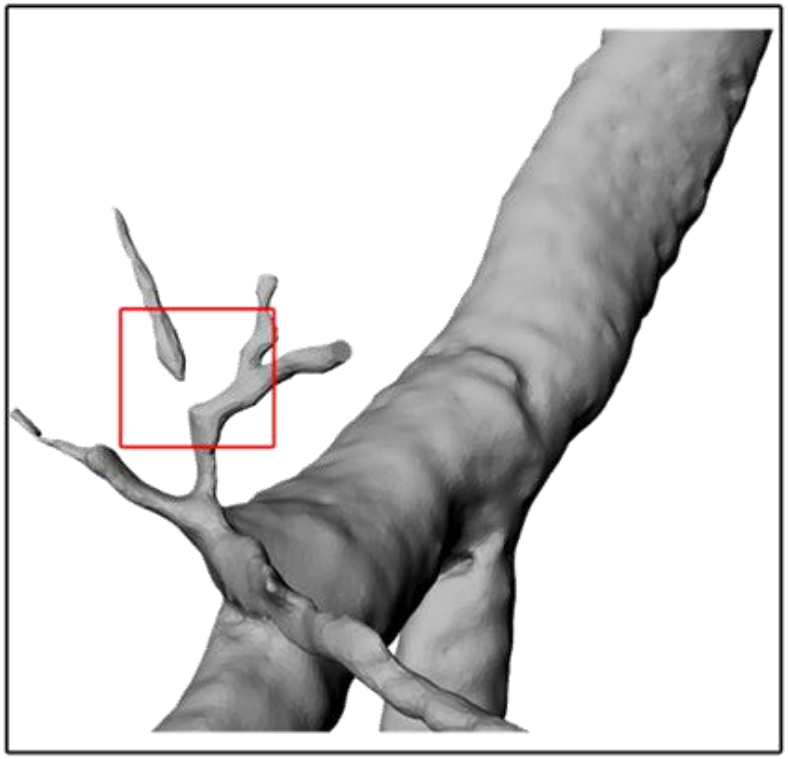

Functional Residual Capacity

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Airway Resistance

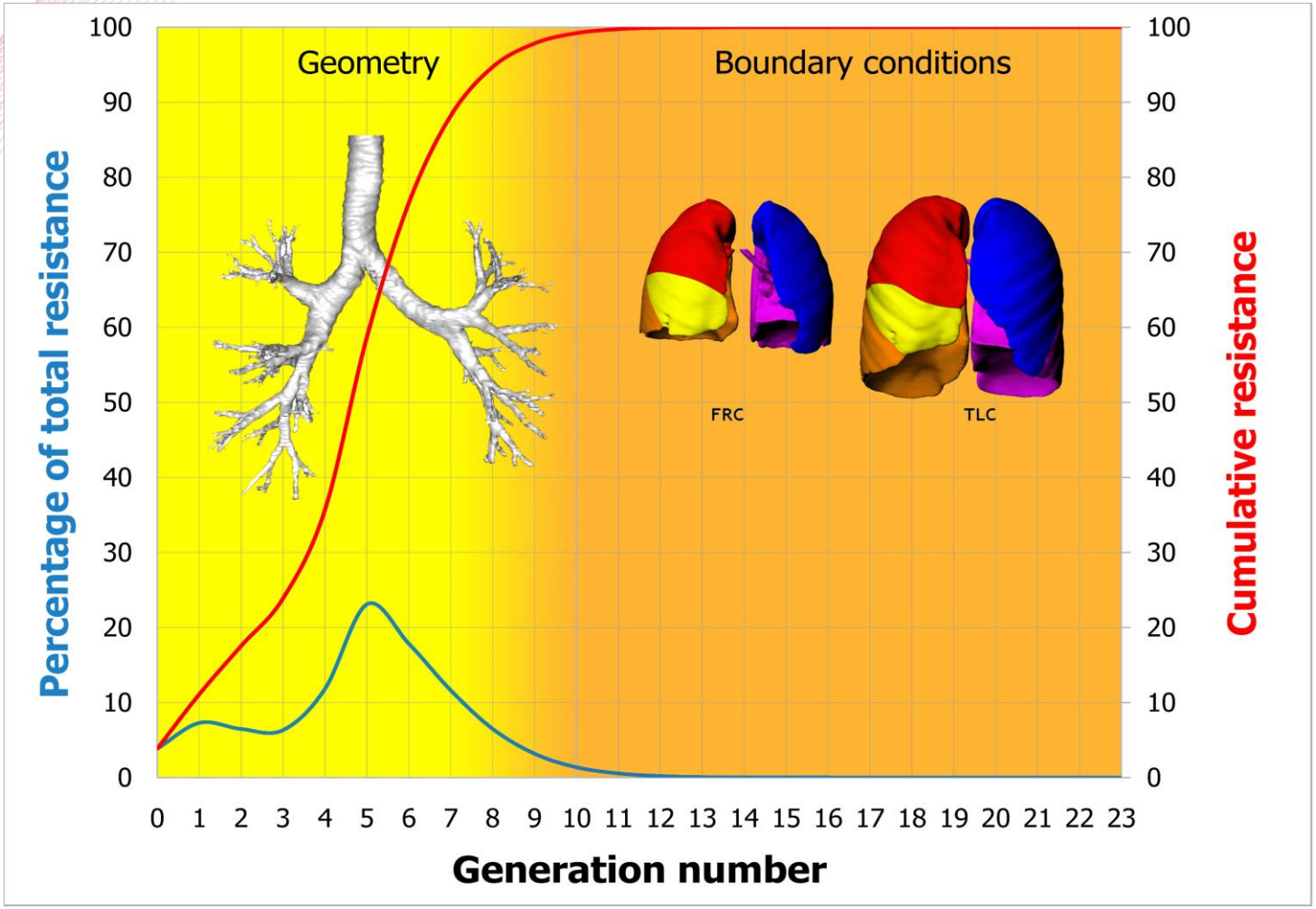

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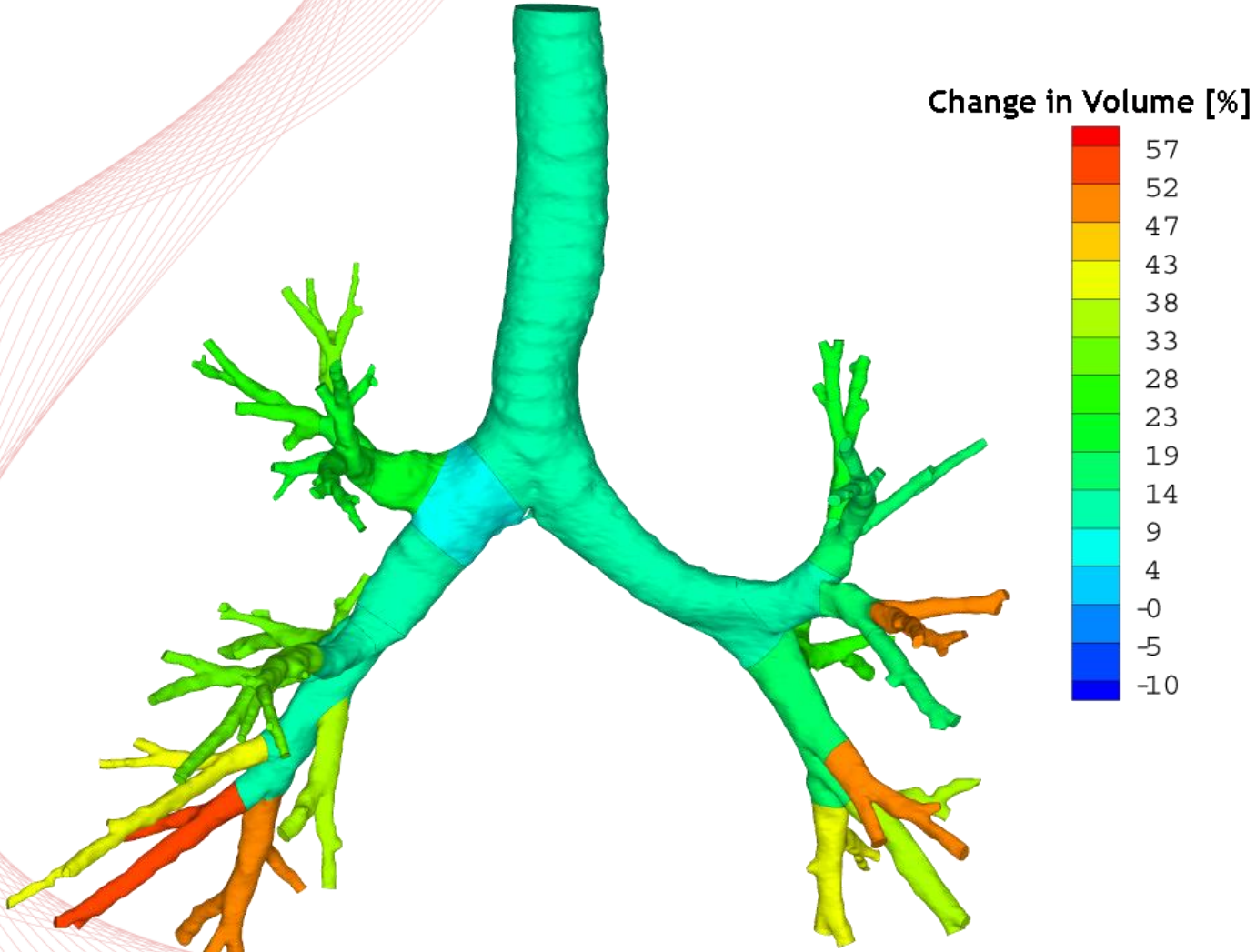
Image-based airway volume (iVaw) change



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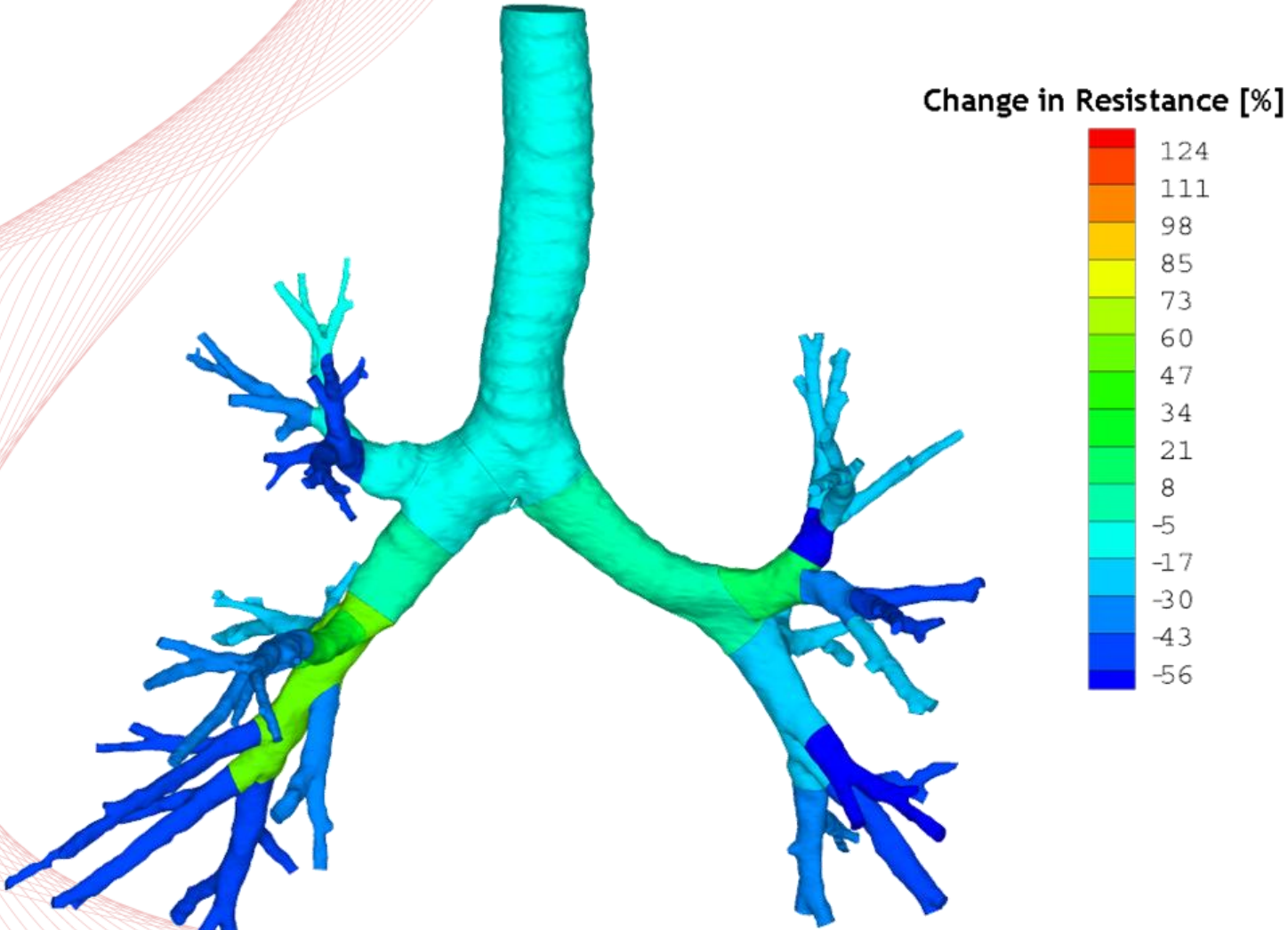
CFD-based airway resistance (iRaw) change



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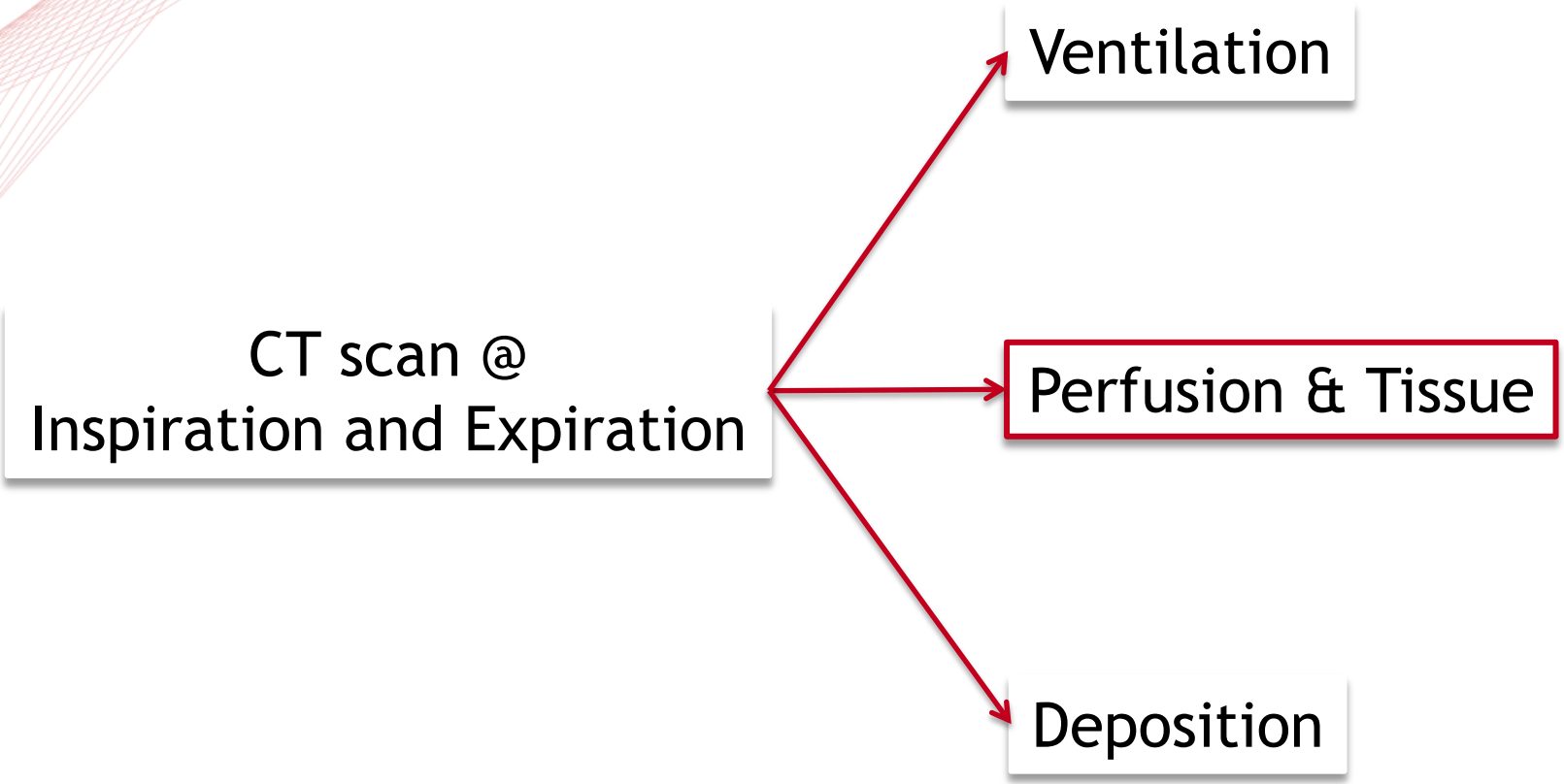

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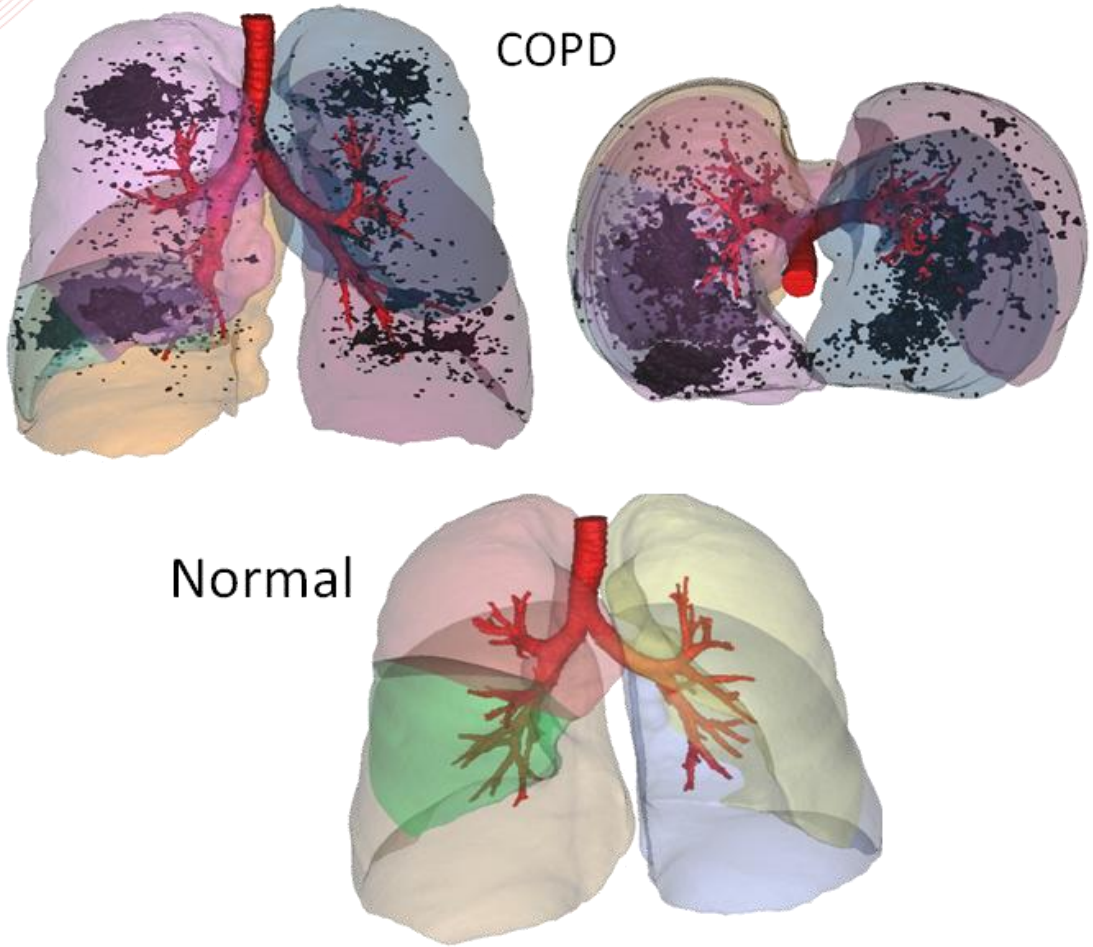

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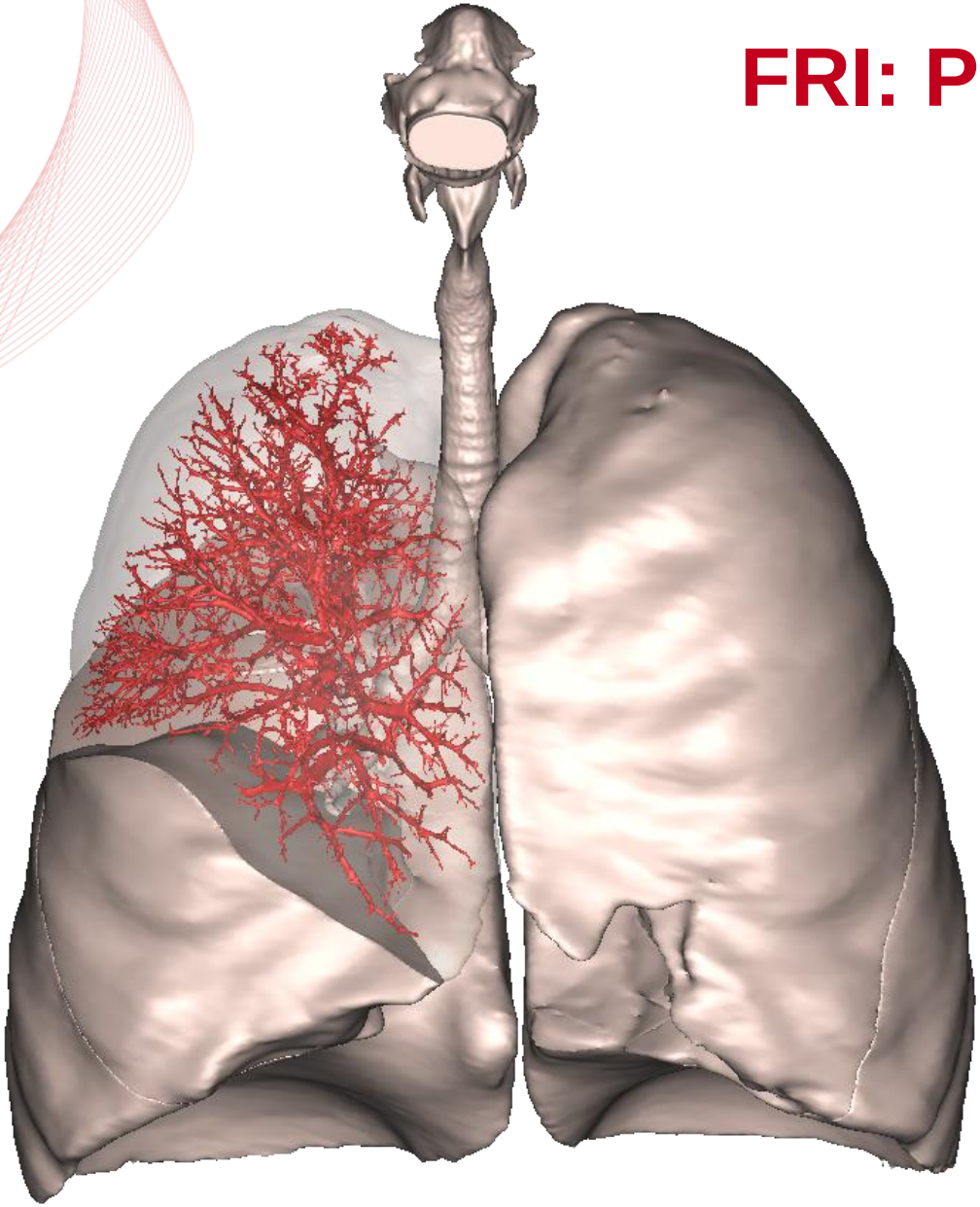
Blood Vessels



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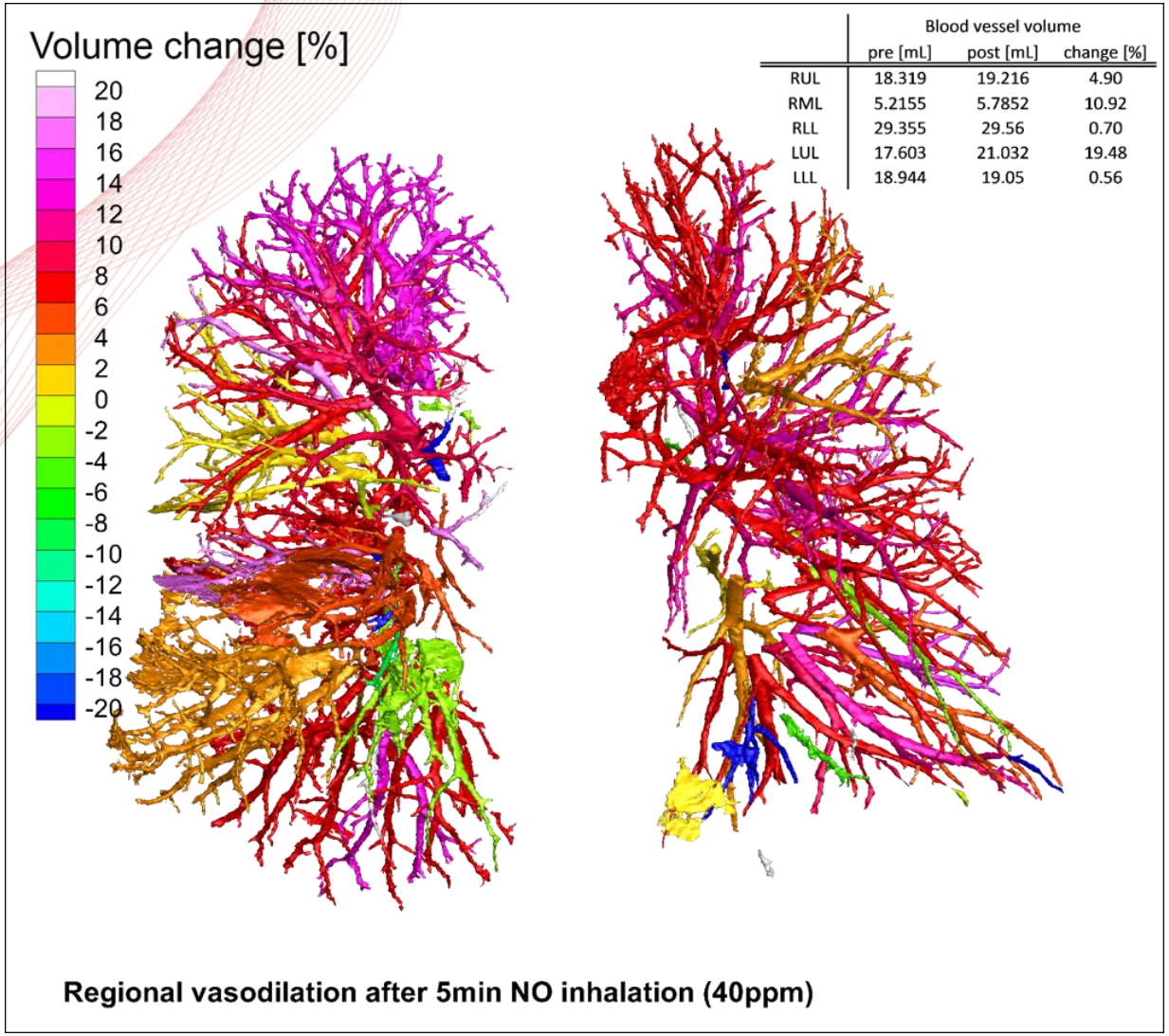

	Blood vessel volume		
	pre [mL]	post [mL]	change [%]
RUL	18.319	19.216	4.90
RML	5.2155	5.7852	10.92
RLL	29.355	29.56	0.70
LUL	17.603	21.032	19.48
LLL	18.944	19.05	0.56

Regional vasodilation after 5min NO inhalation (40ppm)

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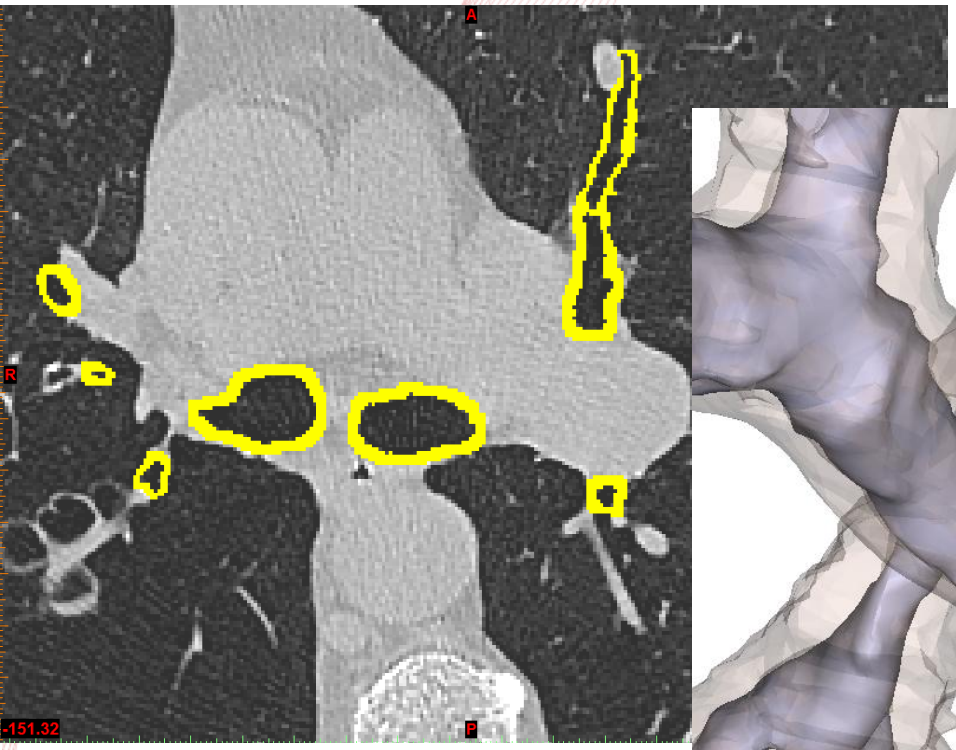
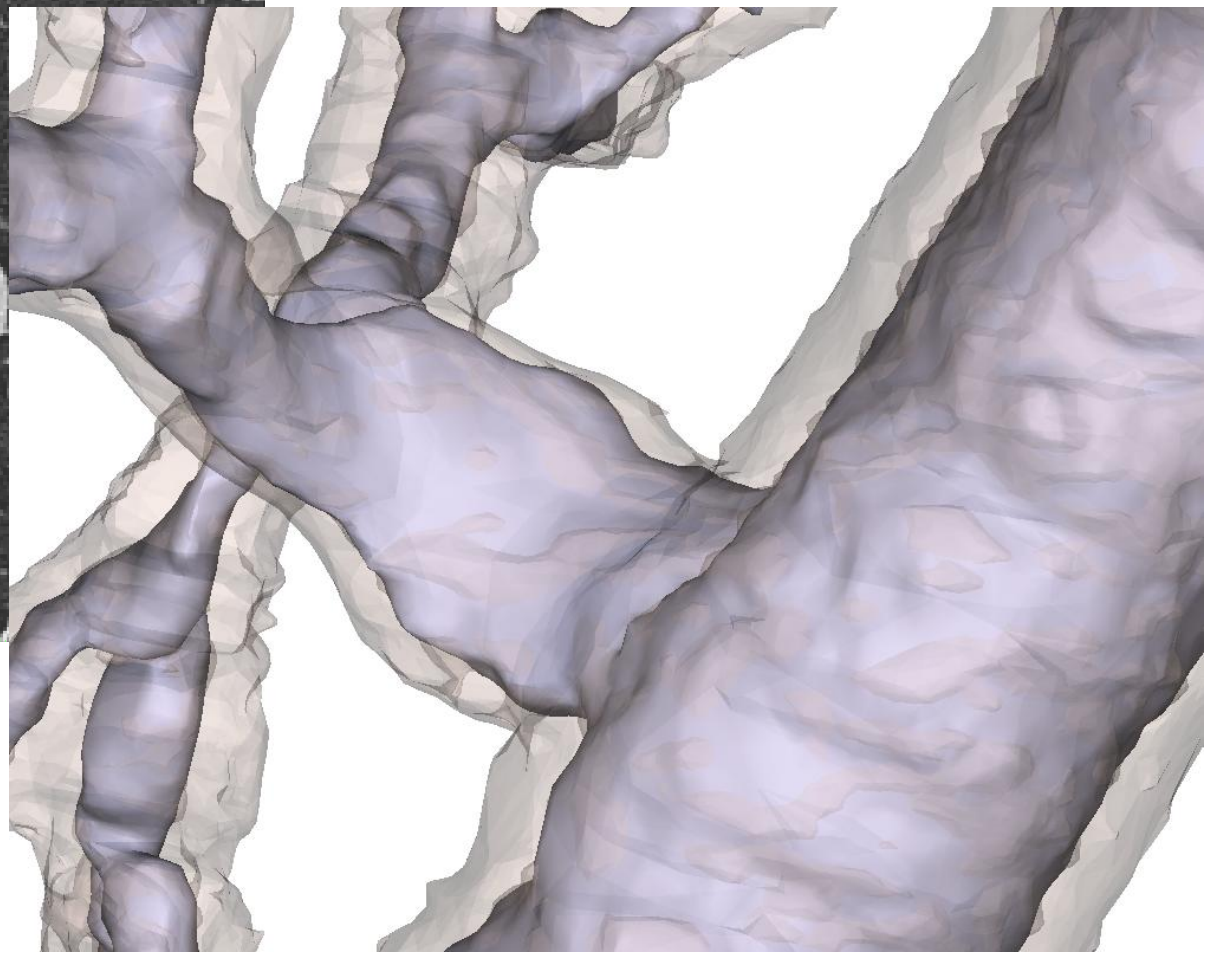
FRI: TISSUE

Airway Wall Thickness





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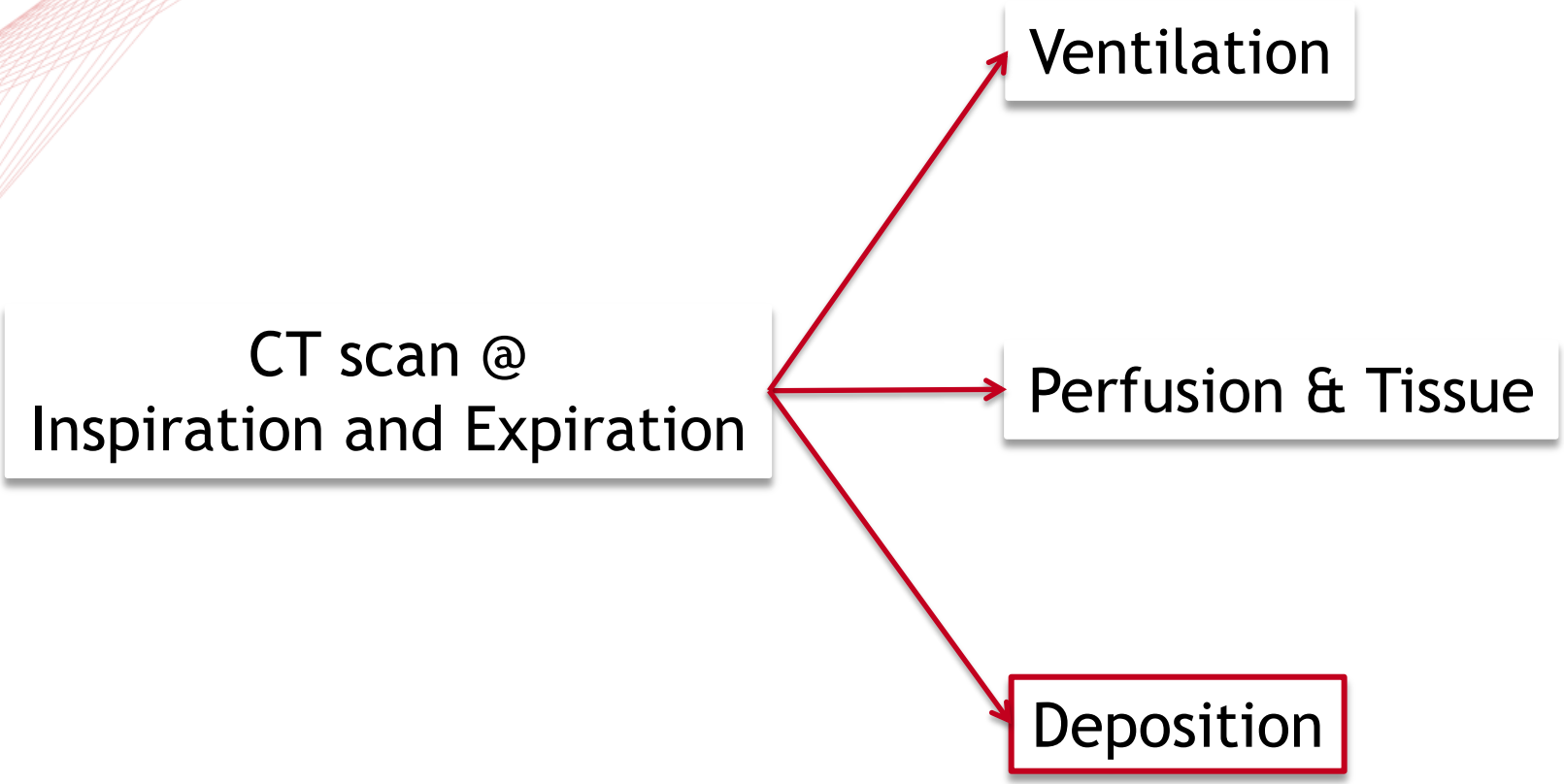

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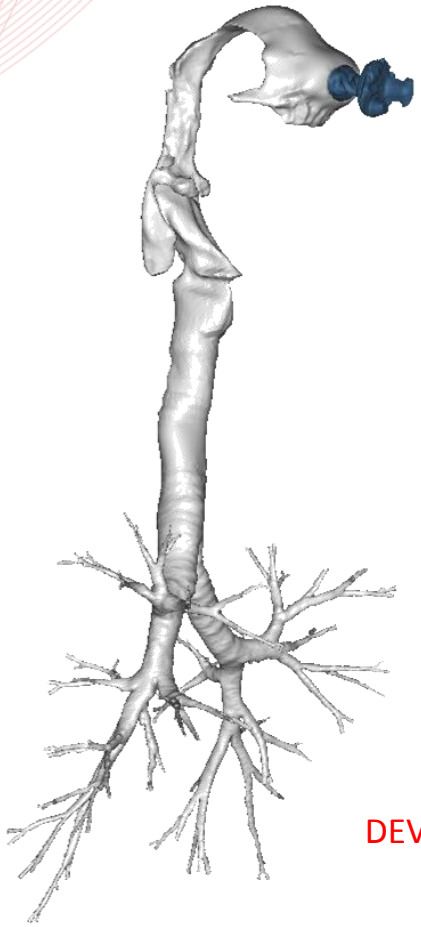
FRI: DEPOSITION

Aerosol Simulation



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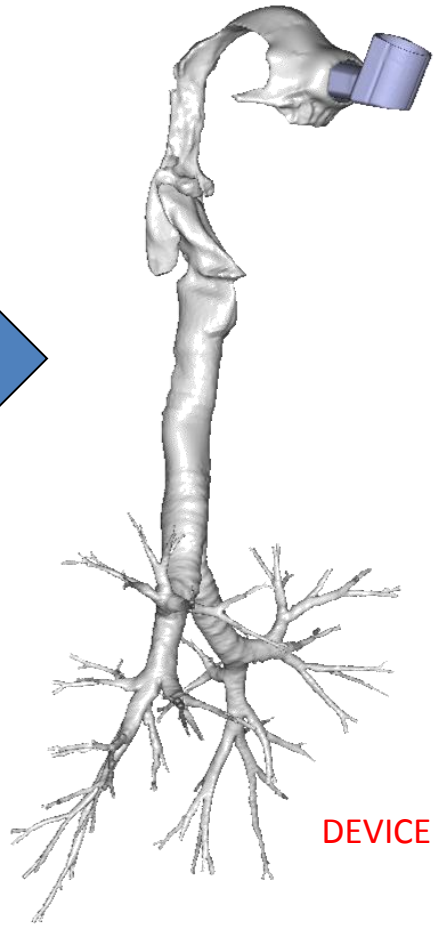

DEVICE B

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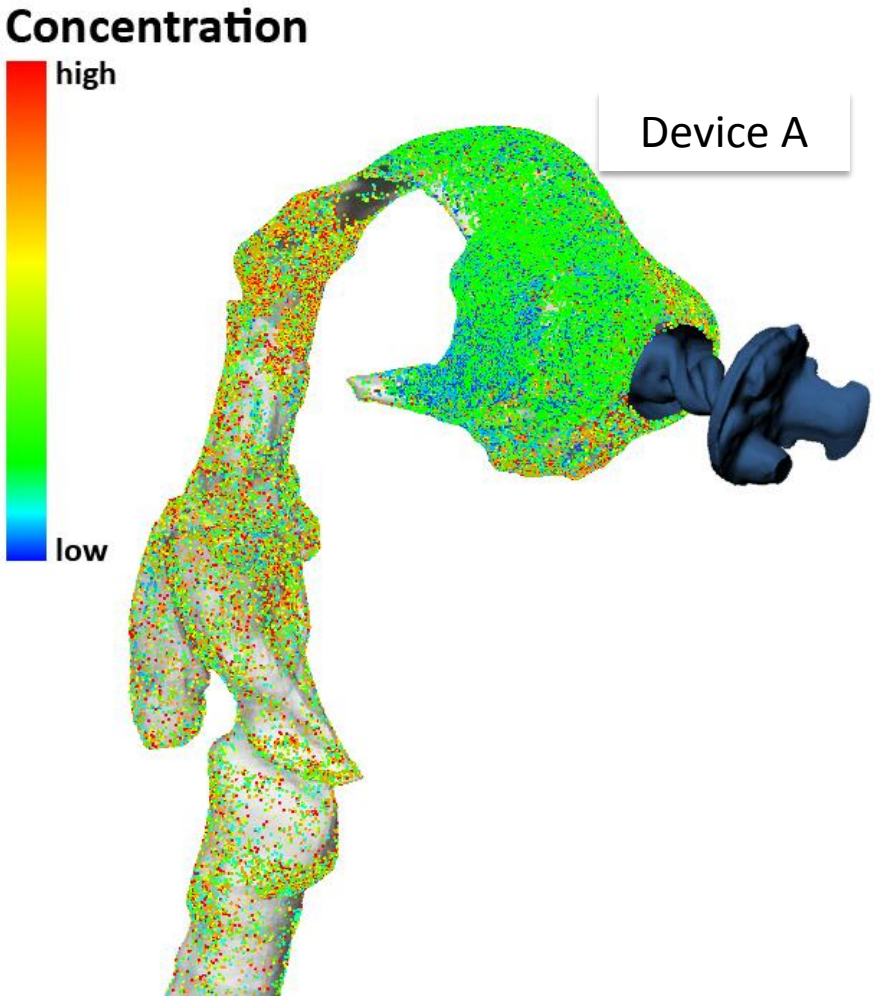

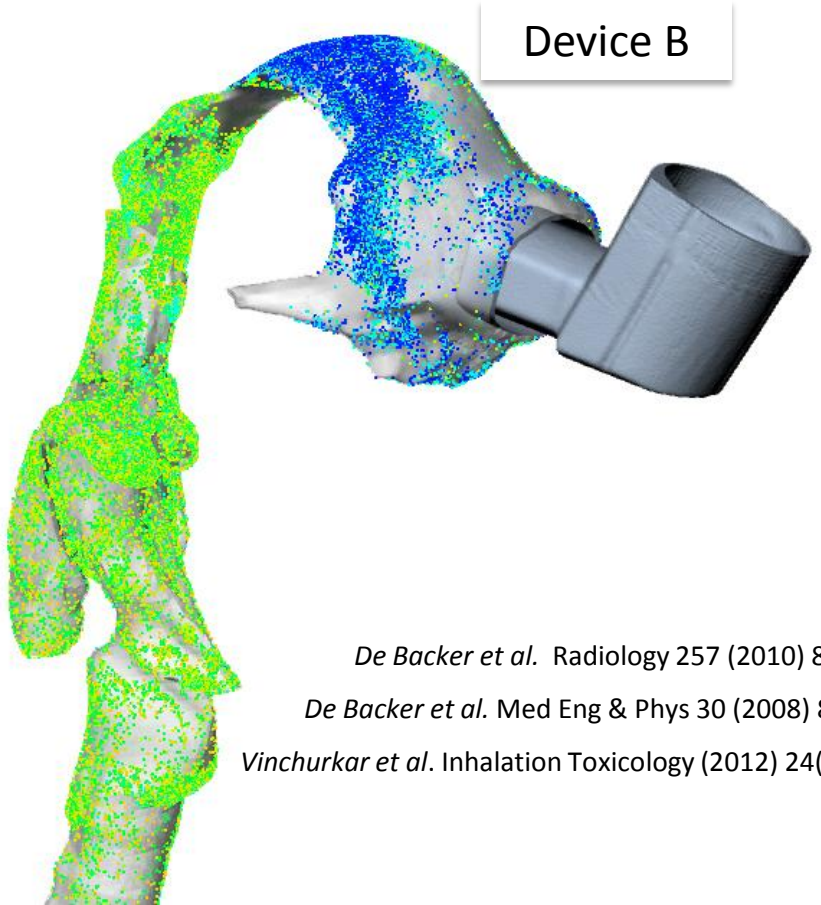

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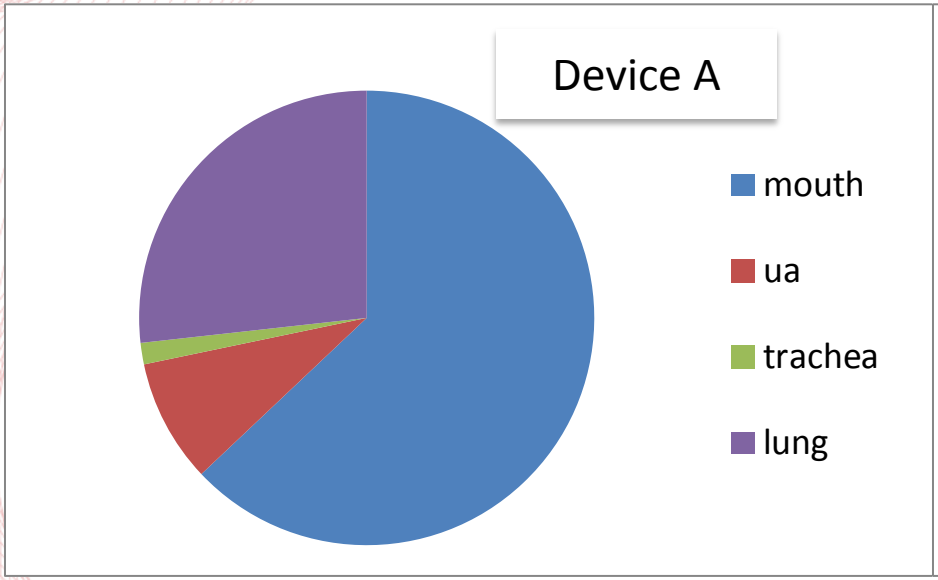
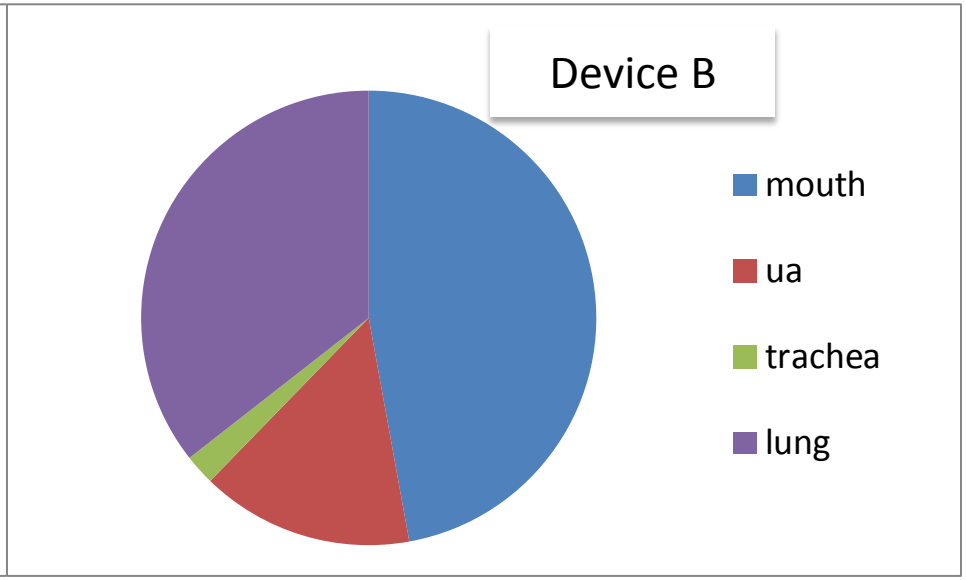
Aerosol Simulation

- Lung deposition increases by 9%





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Aerosol Simulation

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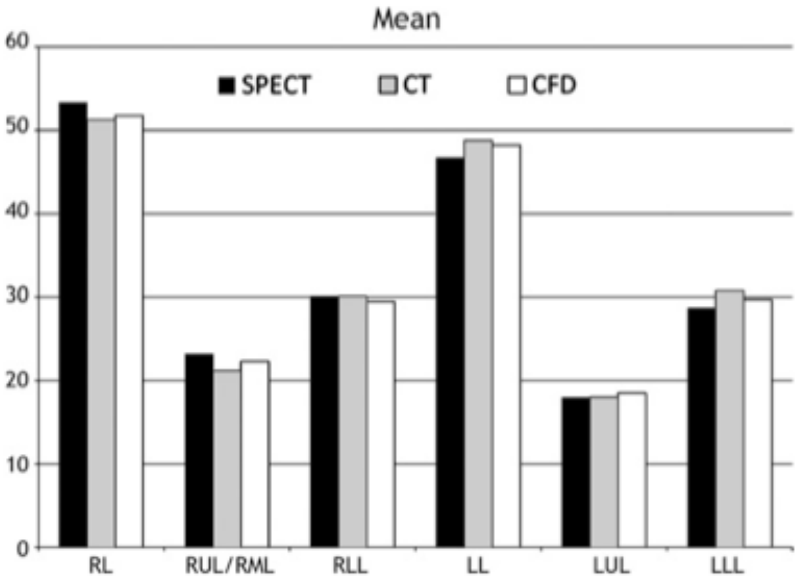
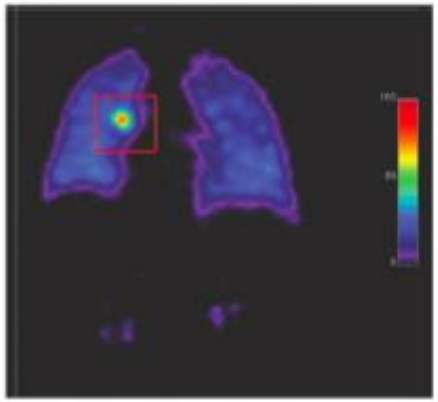


Figure 5: Graph shows airflow distribution (measured as percentage of inhaled air), as determined with SPECT/CT, CT, and CFD, indicating limited differences between all methods. *RL* = right lung, *RUL/RML* = right upper and right middle lobes, *RLL* = right lower lobe, *LL* = left lung, *LUL* = left upper lobe, *LLL* = left lower lobe.

CFD



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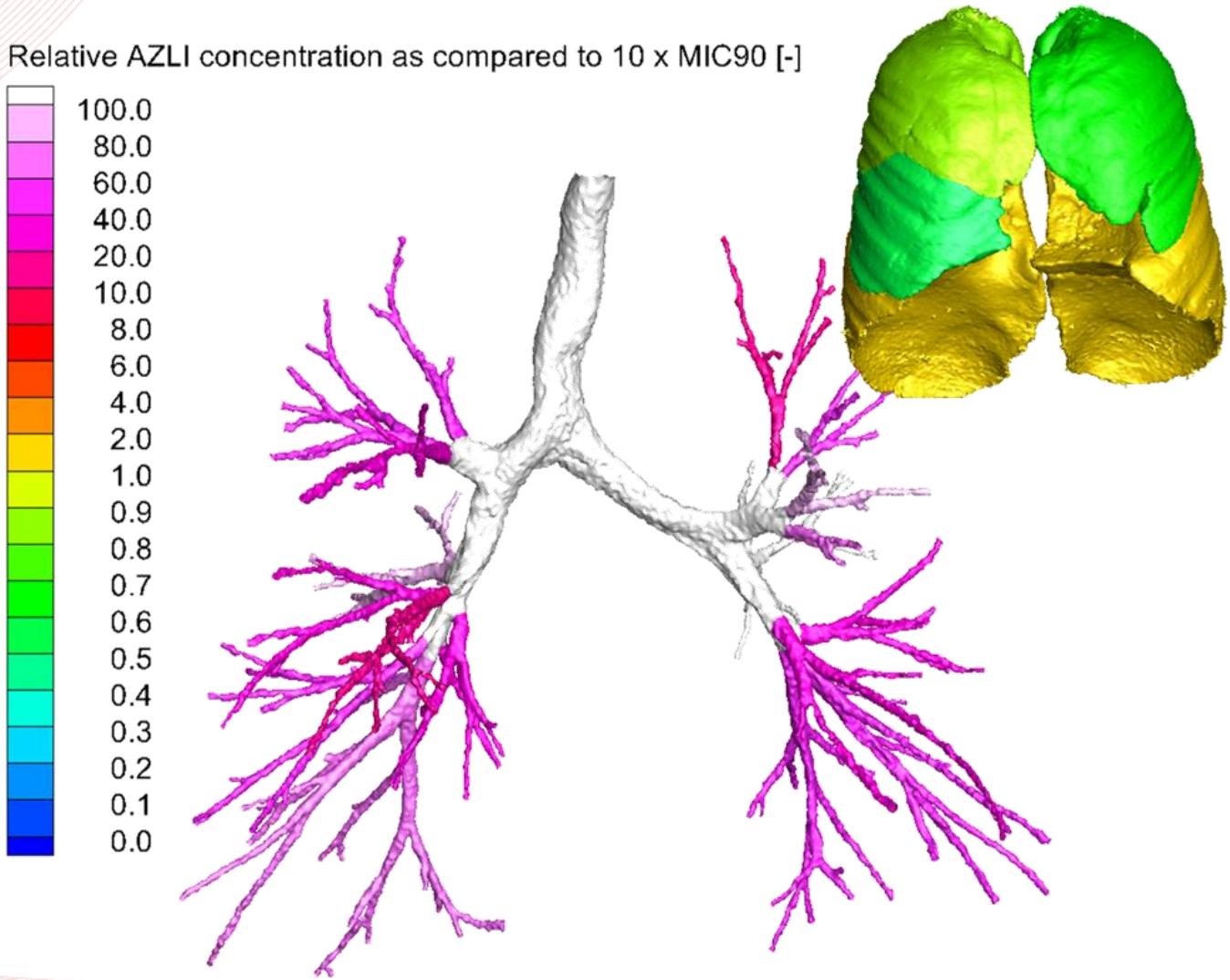
Regional concentration relative to a minimal inhibitory concentration threshold for inhaled antibiotics



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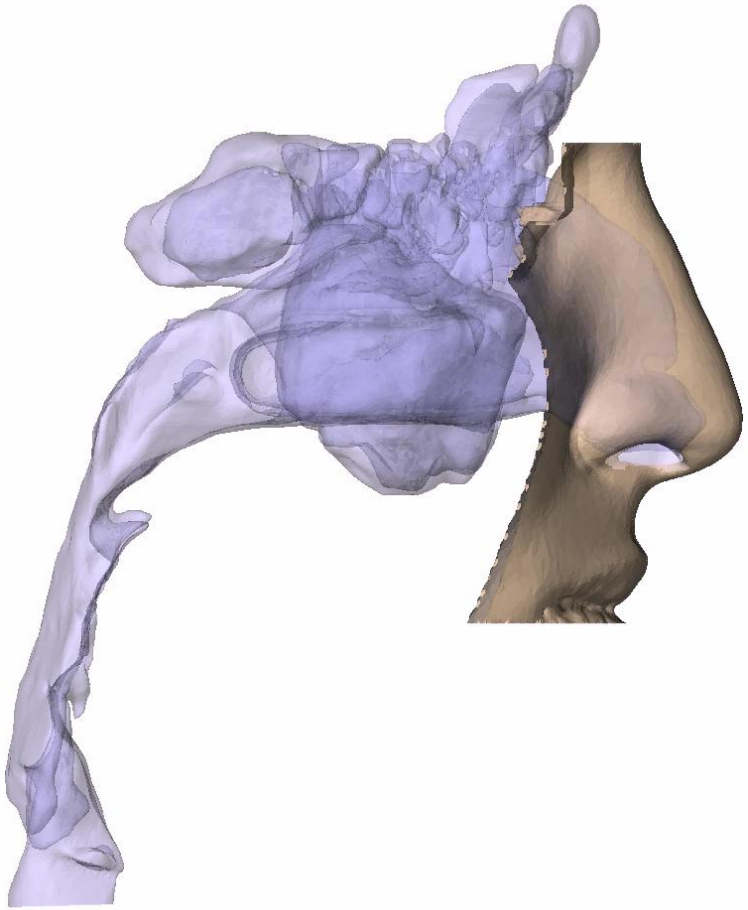

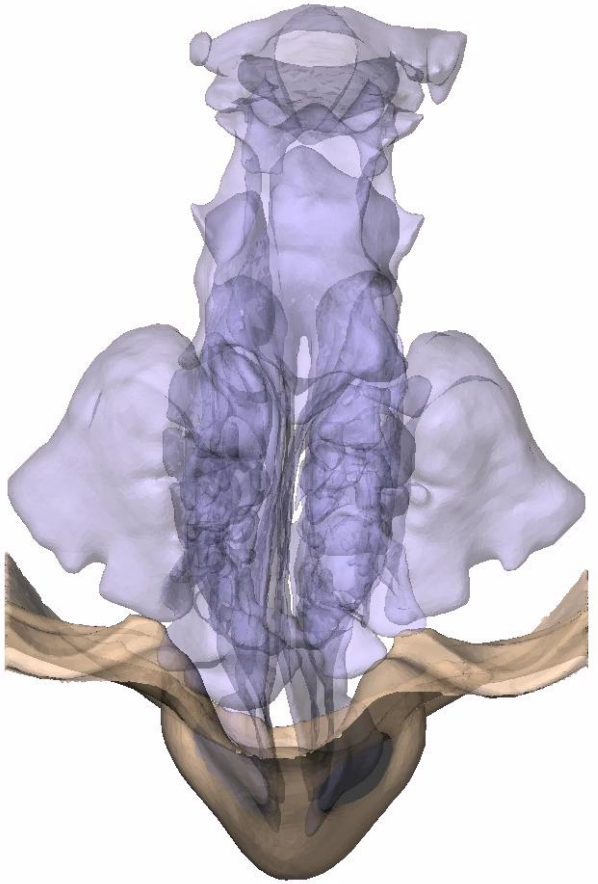

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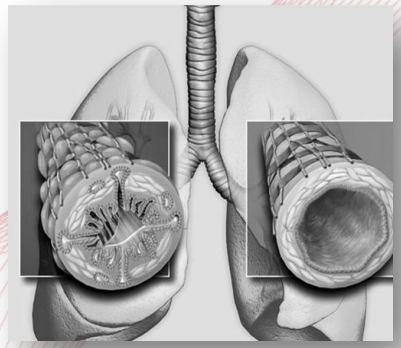
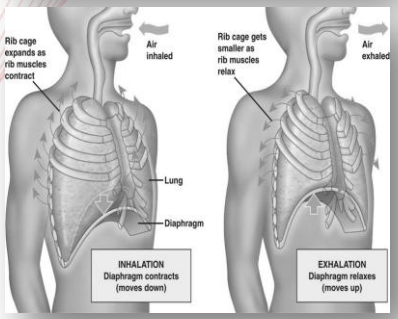
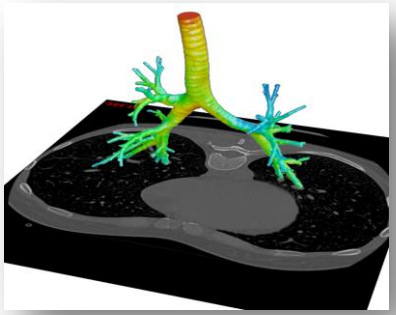




GEOMETRY

PULMONARY FUNCTION

PATIENT'S QUALITY OF LIFE



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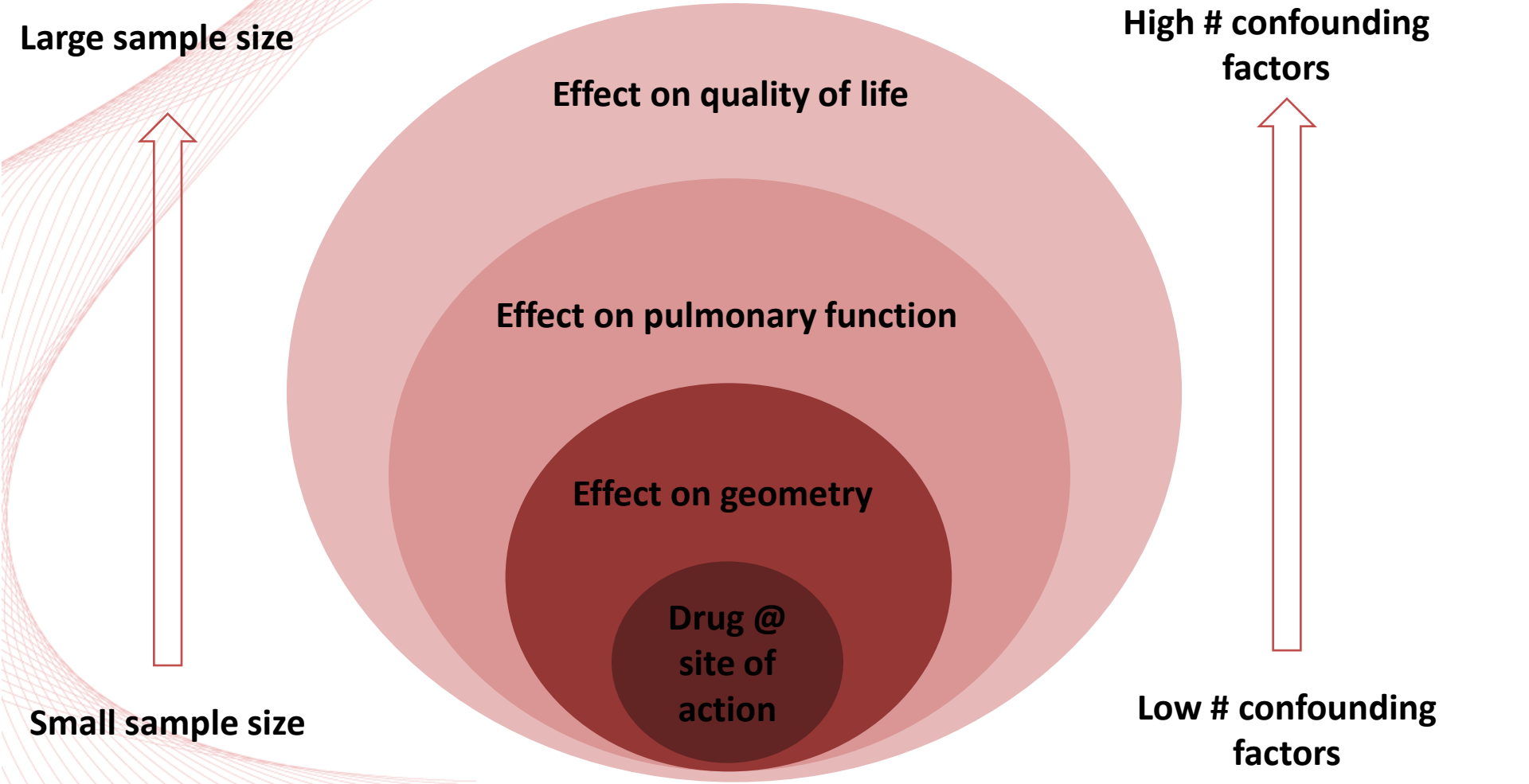

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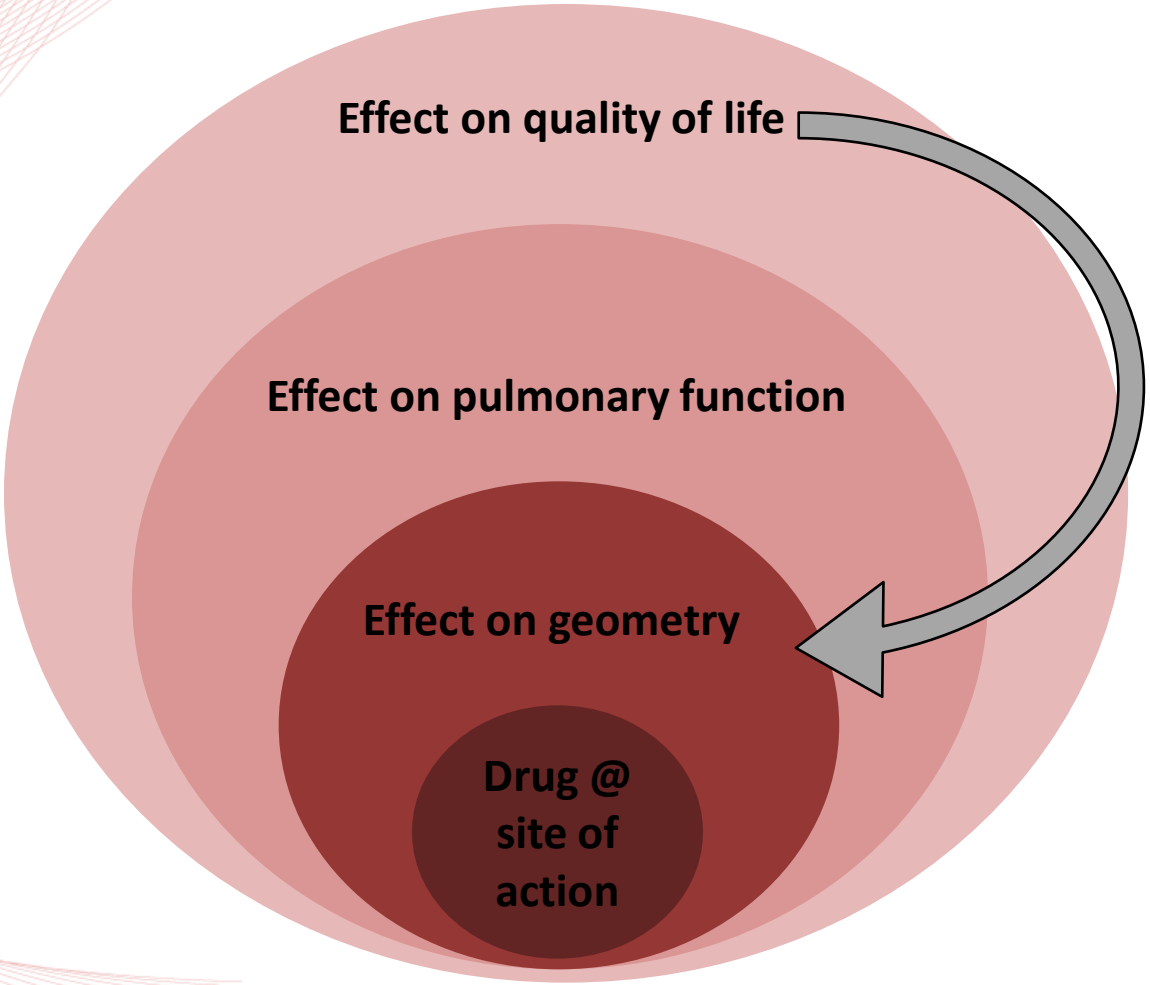

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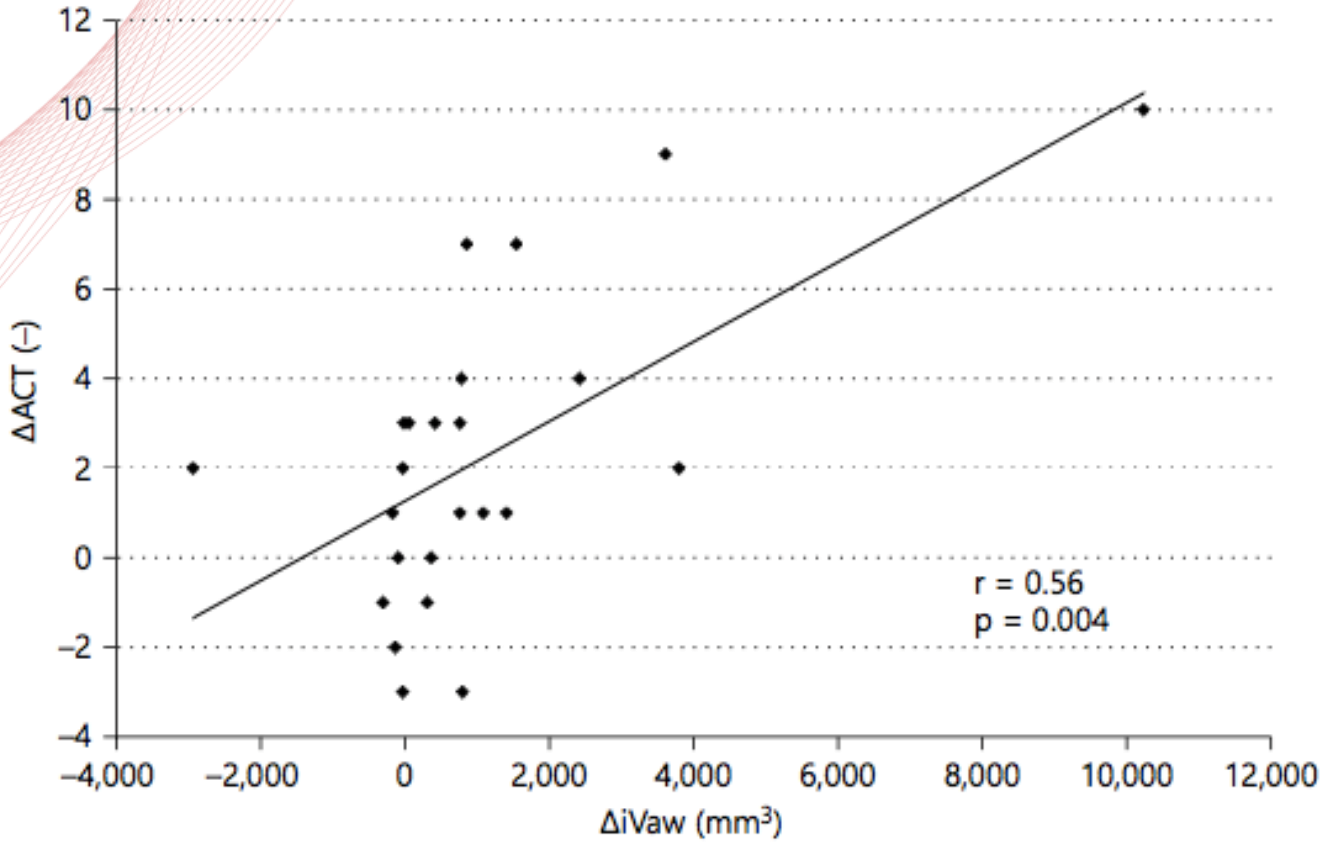

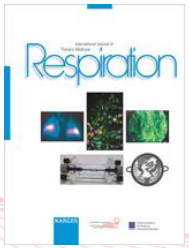

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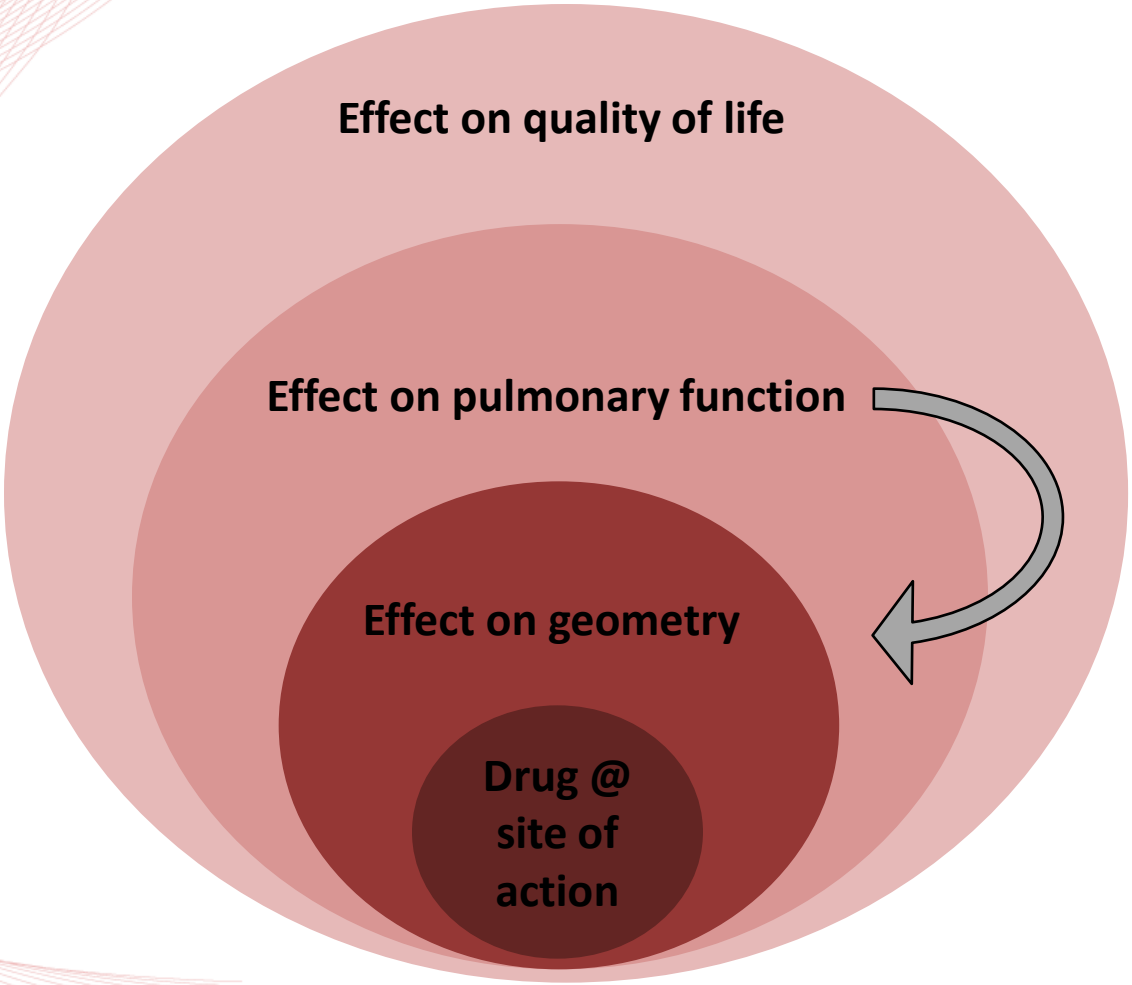

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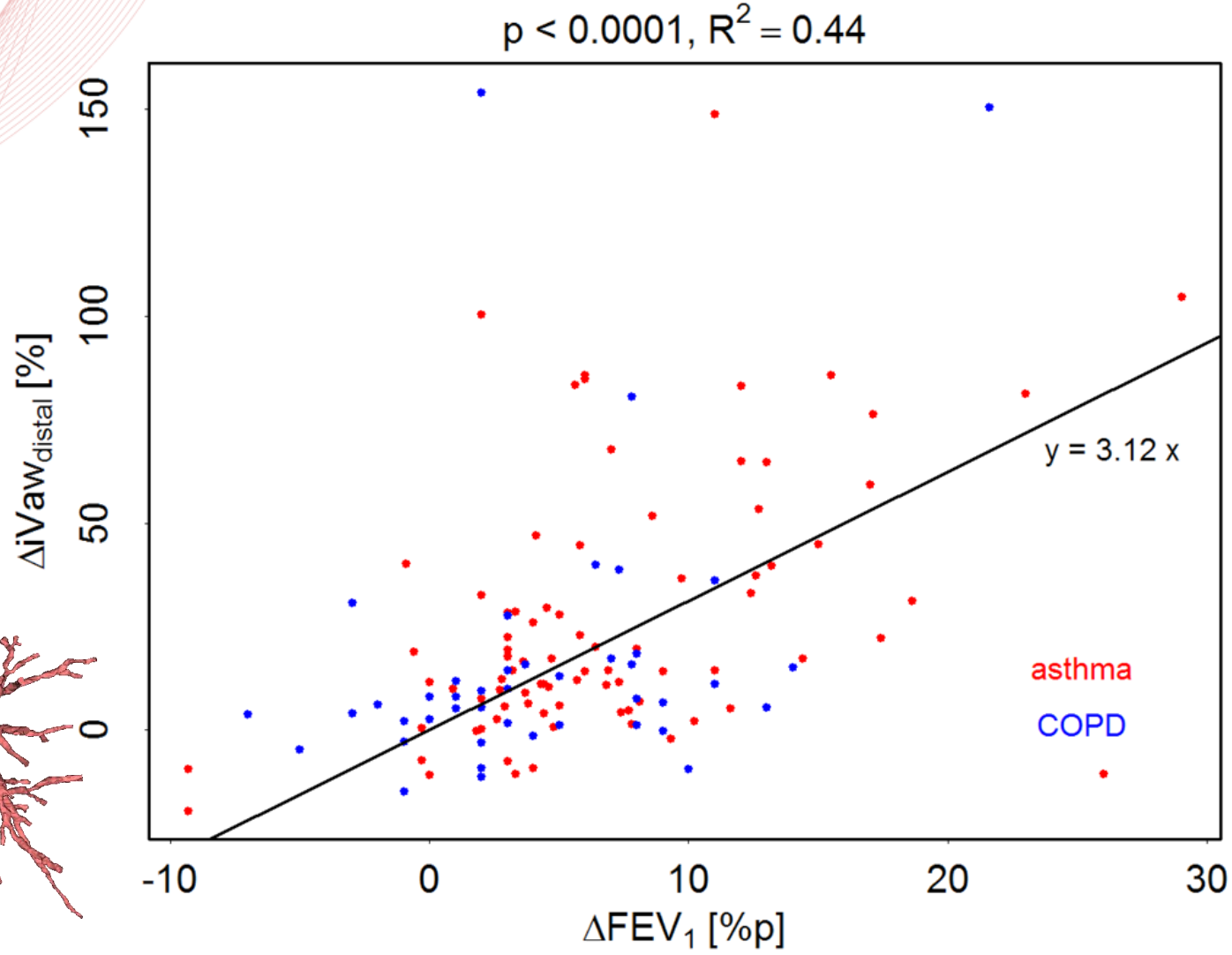

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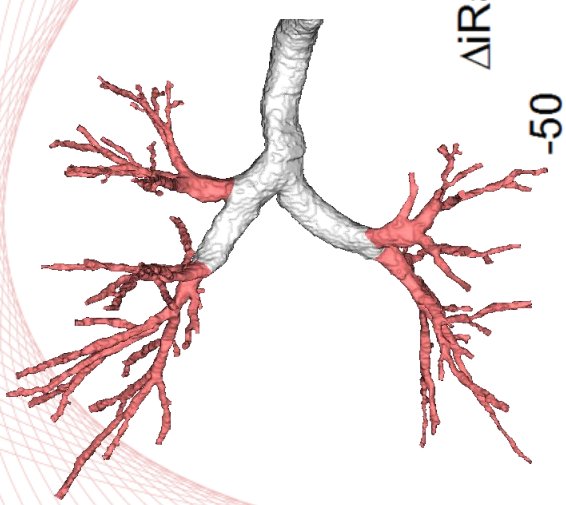

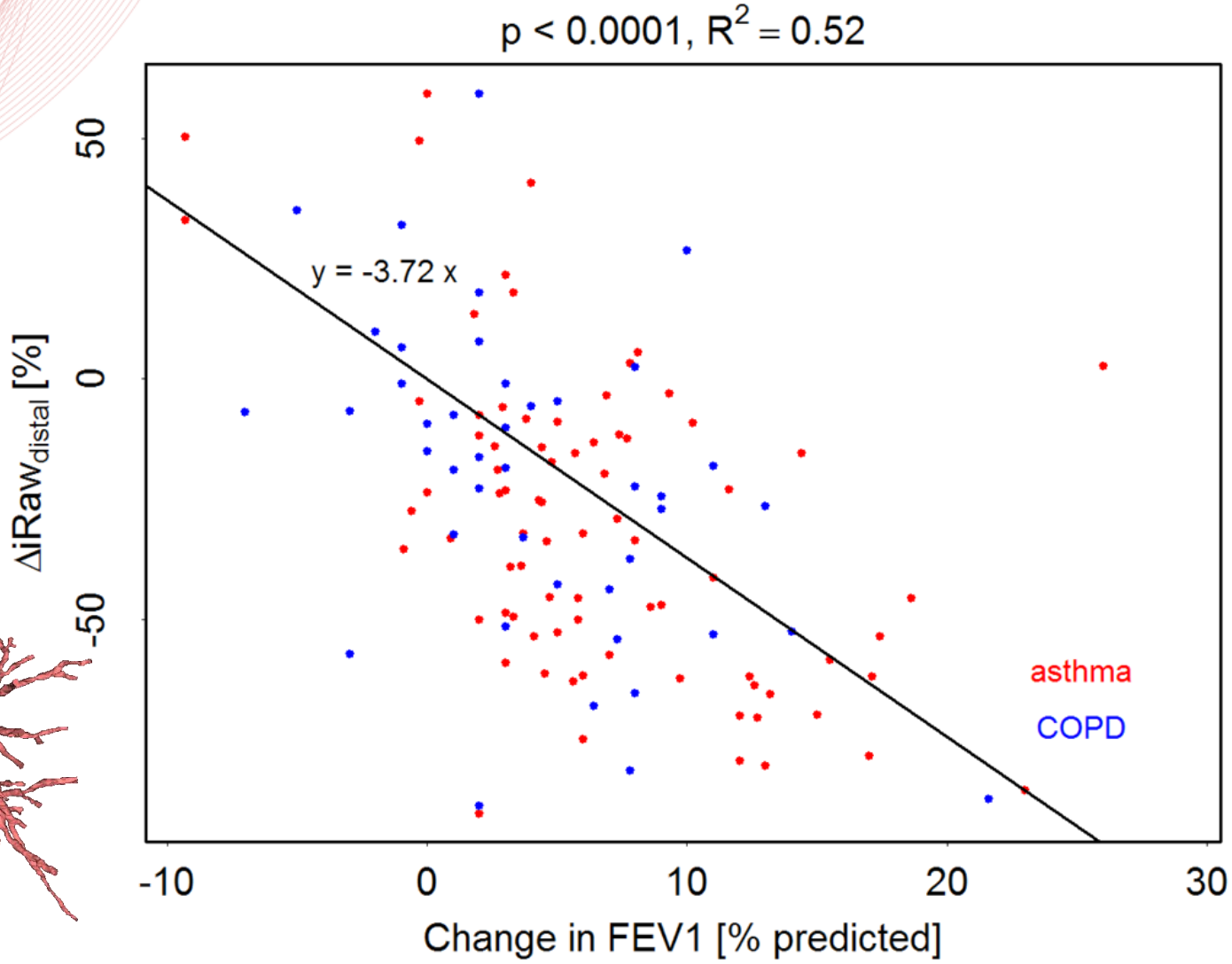

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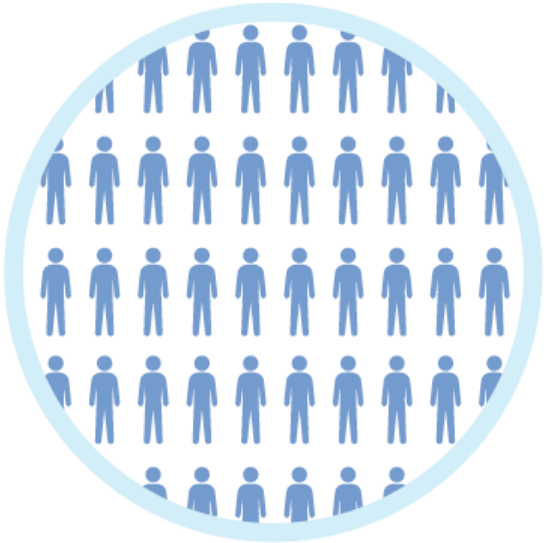

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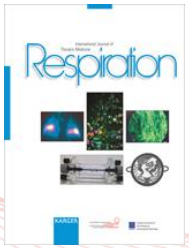

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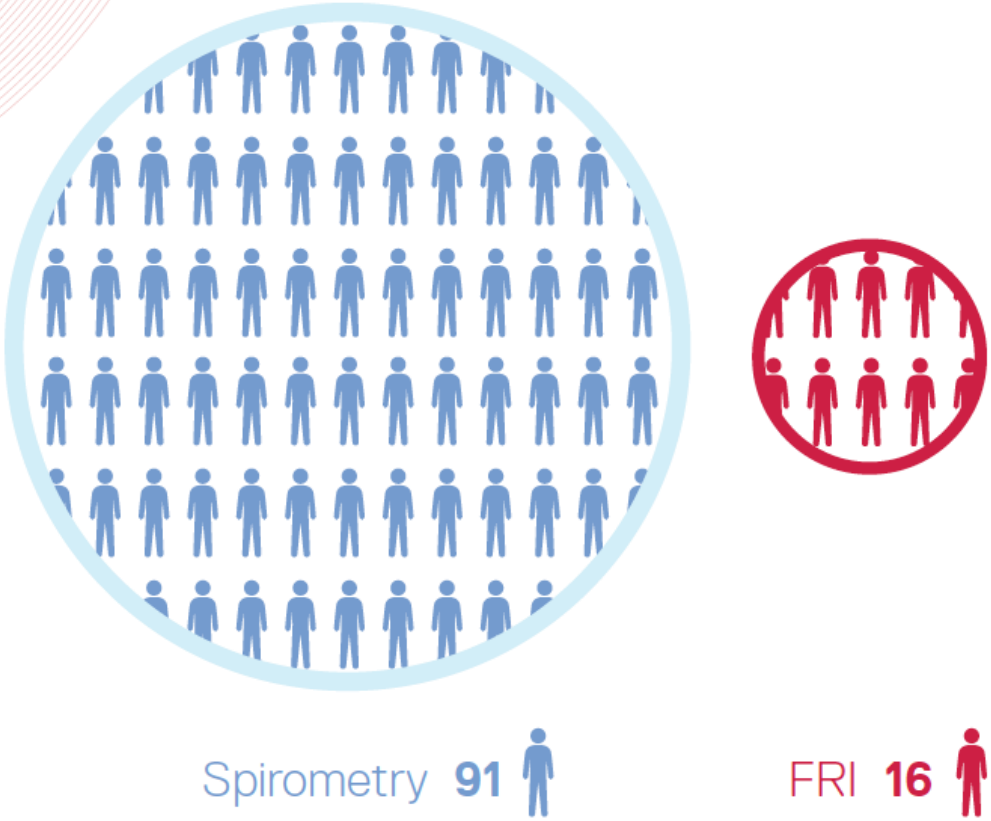

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Double blind, placebo controlled crossover study in COPD patients to assess the acute effect of budesonide/formoterol using multi-slice CT and lung function tests

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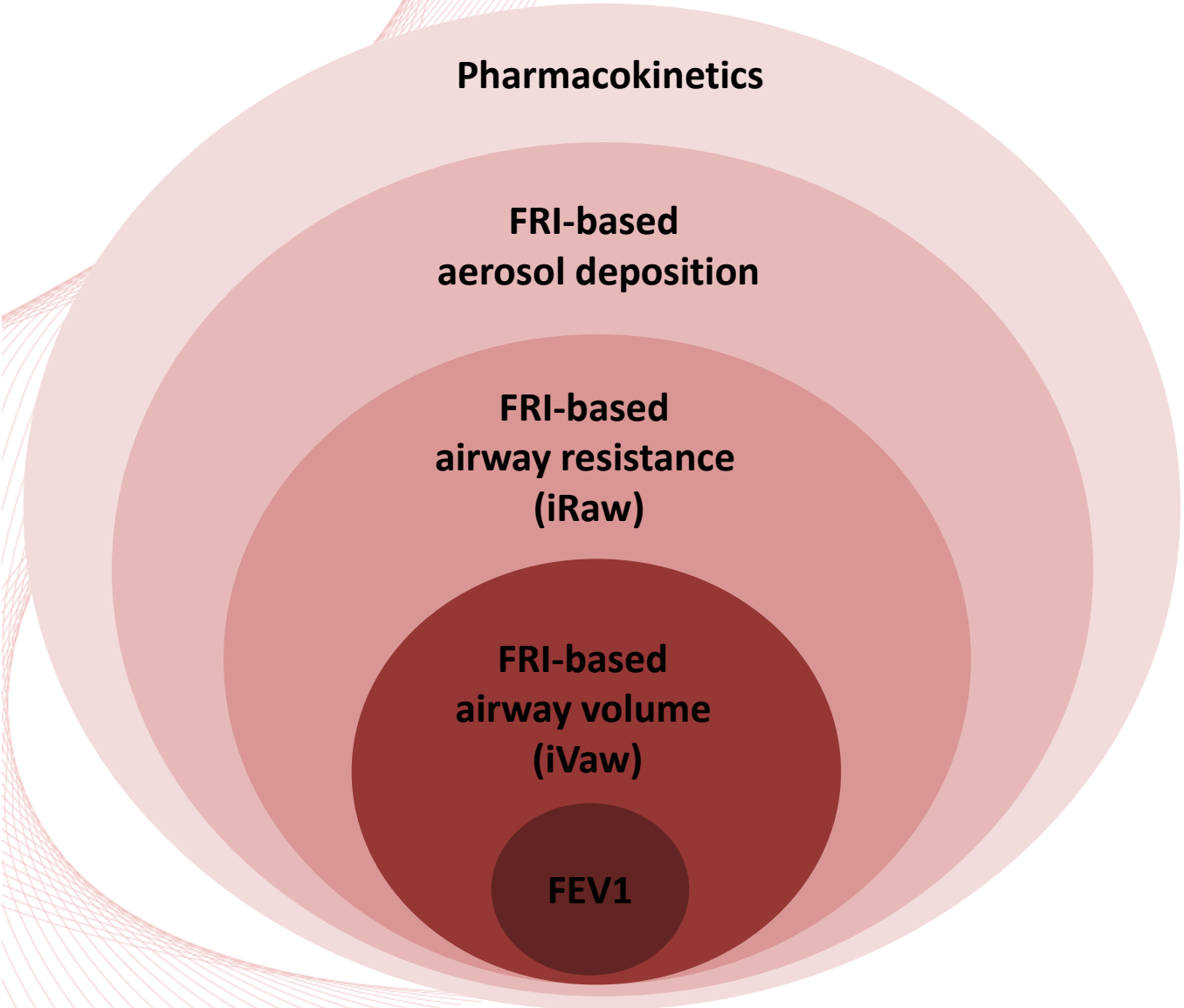
OVERVIEW

- **Functional Respiratory Imaging (FRI)**
  - FRI outcome parameters
  - Added value in drug and device development
- **Bio-equivalence**
  - Salmeterol/Fluticasone branded vs generic in asthma
  - Salbutamol vs Ipratropium Bromide in COPD
- **Conclusions**

FRI TO BRIDGE BETWEEN PK AND PD



High ability to differentiate products

Low ability to differentiate products

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PROJECT OUTLINE

- double blind, double dummy, randomized, two-way cross-over study
- compare the effects of
  - TEST = Seretide® Evohaler (supplied by Allen & Hanburys, UK)
  - REFERENCE = generic salmeterol/fluticasone HFA pMDI (manufactured by Cipla Ltd, India)
- functional respiratory imaging parameters
- in 16 asthmatic patients

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ENDPOINTS

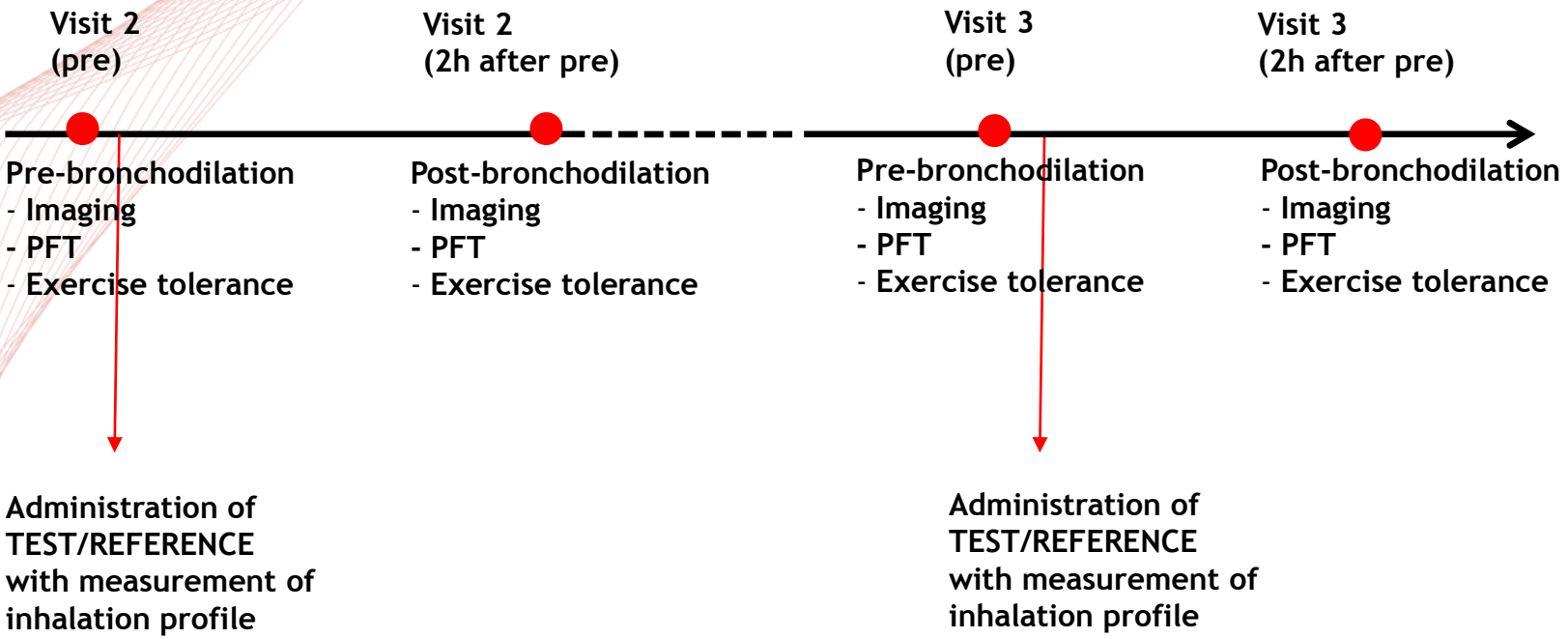
- Primary:

  To evaluate the effect of both study drugs under investigation on FRI parameters and to evaluate the particle deposition in the lungs using CFD.

- Secondary:

  To assess the effect of salmeterol and fluticasone combination therapy on lung function (spirometry and body plethysmography), on exercise capacity (6MWT) and on dyspnea (Borg CR10 Scale and VAS dyspnea). Furthermore the safety of the 2 study drugs under investigation will be evaluated through monitoring of AEs throughout the study.

CLINICAL STUDY DESIGN



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DATA COLLECTION

- CT scans:
  - Pre-dose: FRC and TLC
  - Post-dose: TLC
- Inhalation profile:
  - Calibration of respiration belts with pneumotach
  - Measurements during actual inhalation of study drug
- Pulmonary function tests:
  - Spirometry
  - Body plethysmography
  - Exercise tolerance
  - Dyspnea

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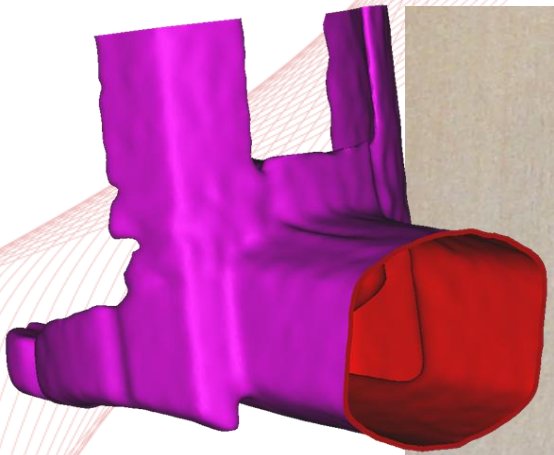

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FRI OUTCOME

- Pre-dose/post-dose LA airway models
  - Airway volumes (iVaw)
  - Airway surface area (iSaw)
  - Airway resistance (iRaw)
- Pre-dose internal airflow distribution
  - For CFD boundary conditions
- Pre-dose coupled UA/LA/inhaler models for particle deposition simulations
  - Regional deposition of inhaled compounds

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FRI OUTCOME

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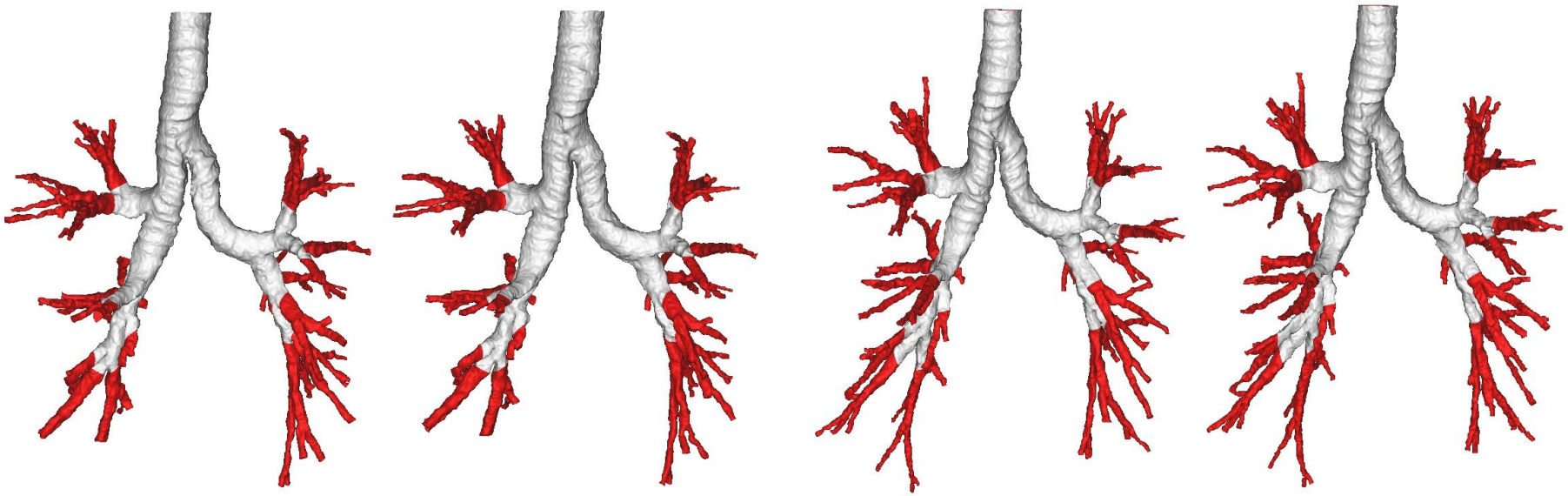

V2_pre V2_post V3_pre V3_post

  - Baseline stability, drug effect, effect comparison

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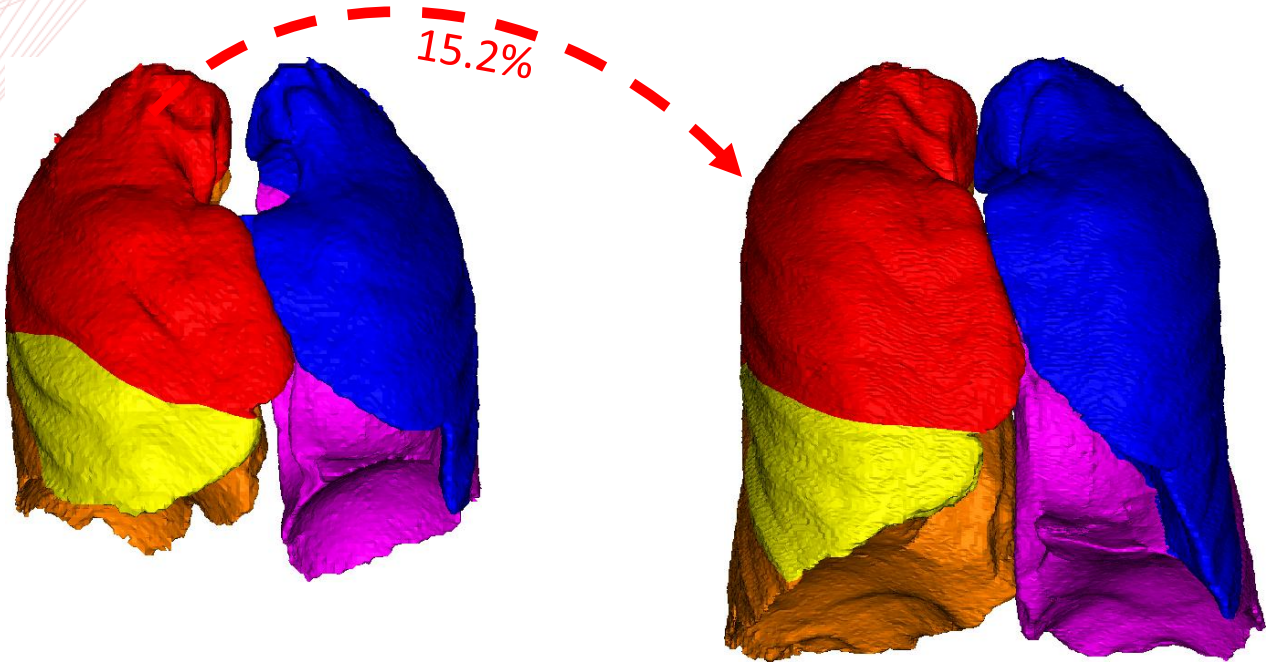

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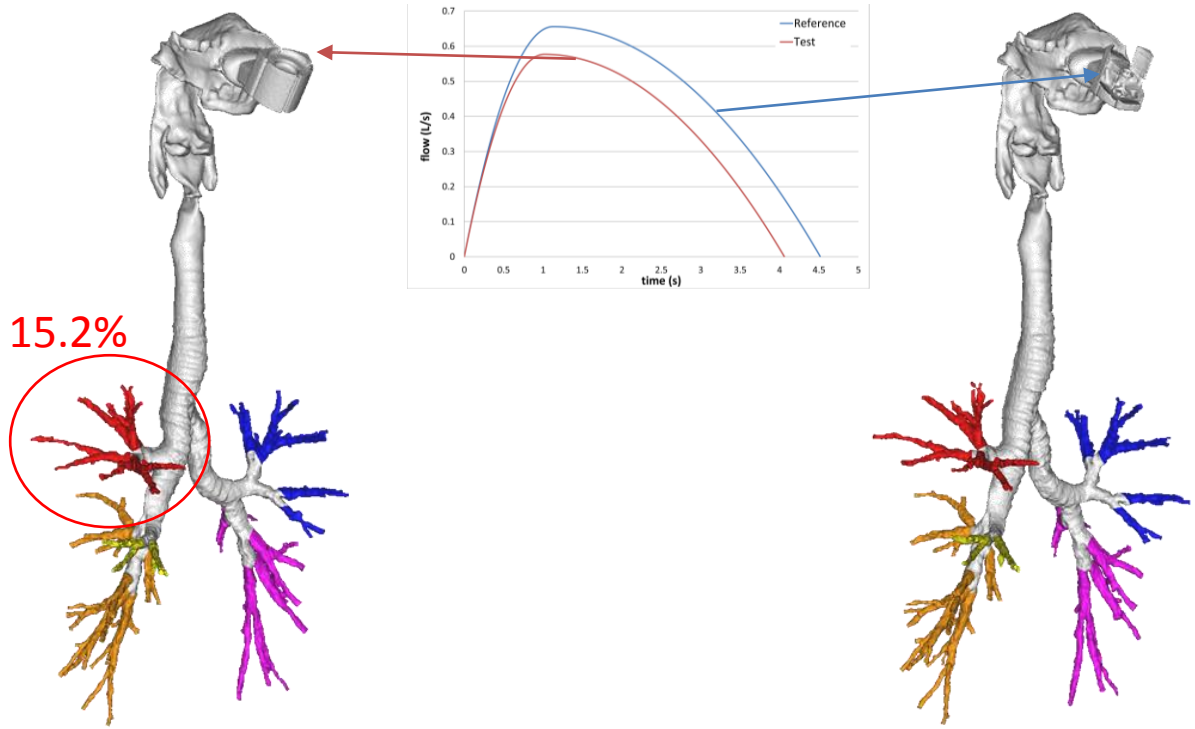

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FRI OUTCOME

- Pre-dose coupled UA/LA/inhaler models for particle deposition simulations

- ACI data was used for particle diameter distribution of TEST and REFERENCE

FRI OUTCOME

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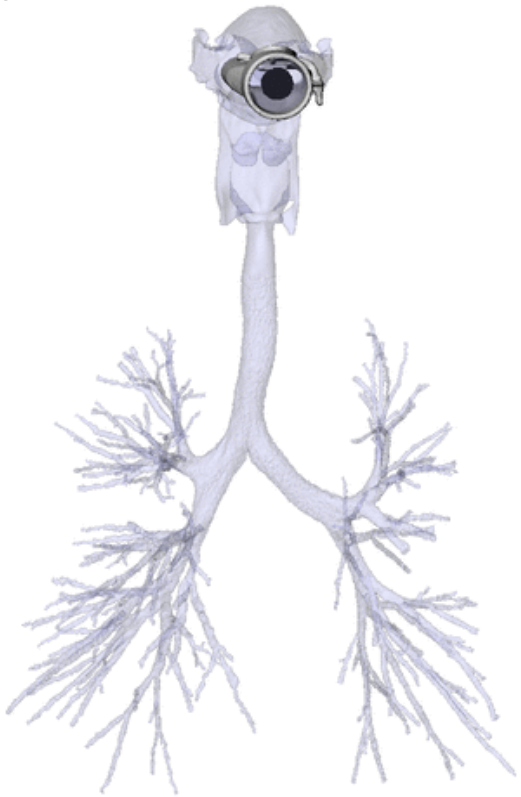

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STATISTICS

- To assess whether products are different
  - Wilcoxon matched pairs to assess drug effect
  - Mann Whitney U test to compare drug effects
  - $p<0.05$ for significance
- To assess whether products are equivalent
  - Two one-sided tests
  - 90% confidence interval of Test/Reference ratio
  - Between 80%-125% bounds

IN- AND EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Inclusion
  - Diagnosed asthma
  - Treated according to GINA guidelines
  - Non or ex-smokers (stopped <1y and <10y total packyears)
- Exclusion
  - Exacerbation during last 8 weeks
  - COPD
  - Upper or lower airway infection
  - Received oral corticosteroids in the last 4 weeks

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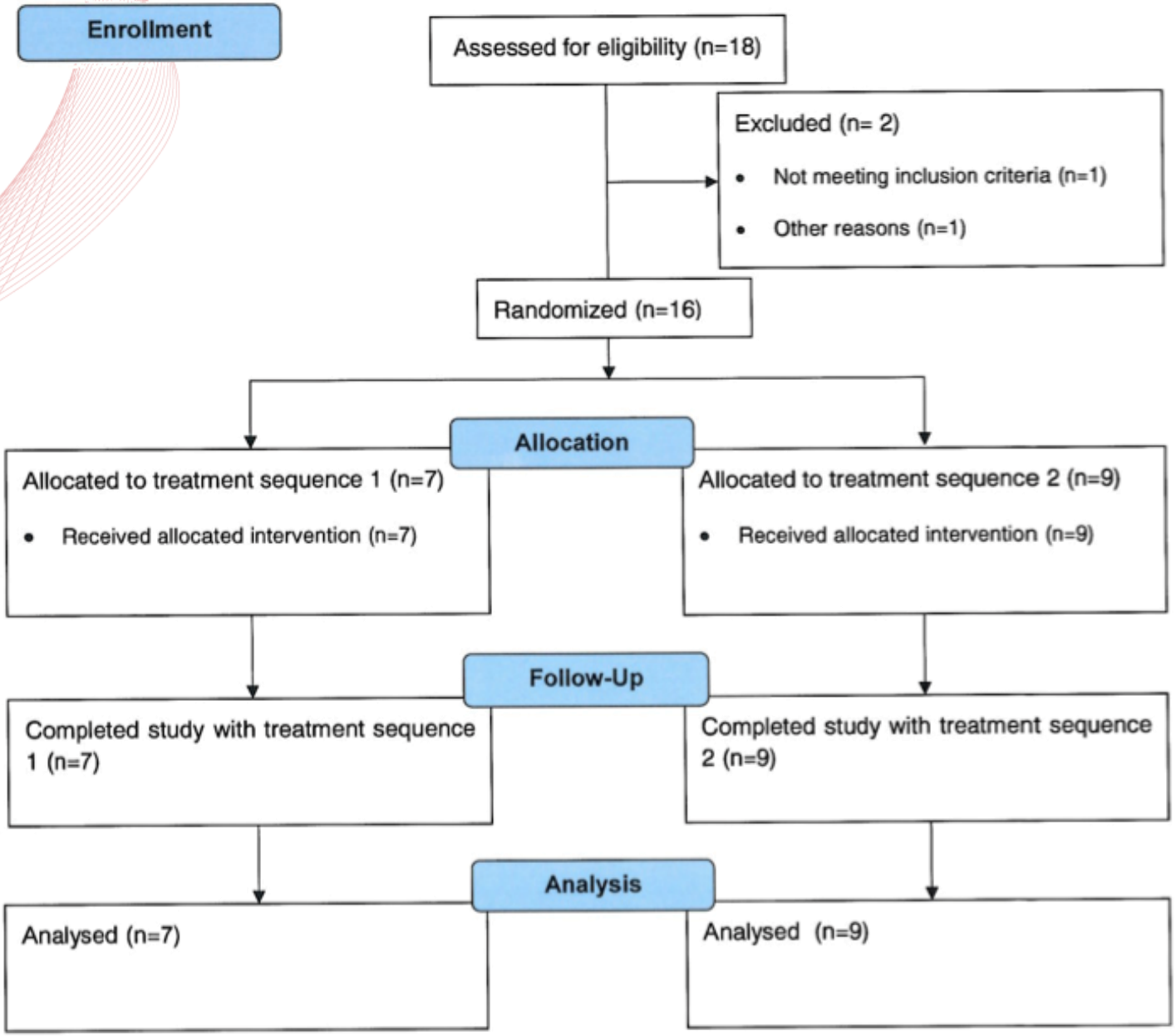
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Allocation
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Received allocated intervention (n=7)
Allocated to treatment sequence 2 (n=9)
Received allocated intervention (n=9)
Follow-Up
Completed study with treatment sequence 1 (n=7)
Completed study with treatment sequence 2 (n=9)
Analysis
Analysed (n=7)
Analysed (n=9)

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PATIENTS

9F/7M	Mean	SD	Min	Max
Age [y]	58.88	8.70	44	73
Height [cm]	169.69	9.46	158	192
Weight [kg]	81.16	16.25	55	102.5
BP Sys [mmHg]	121.44	7.70	107	130
BP Dia [mmHg]	79.94	9.65	60	92
HR [bpm]	70.25	12.73	56	102
FVC [L]	4.23	1.25	2.46	6.74
FVC [%p]	120.53	13.20	90.4	141.9
FEV1 [L]	2.97	0.91	1.77	5.27
FEV1 [%p]	104.50	18.87	65.7	133.9
FEV1/FVC [%]	70.95	9.61	41.7	80.6
PEF [L/s]	8.21	2.71	5.59	15.75
MEF50 [L/s]	2.70	1.37	0.9	6.24
FEF75 [L/s]	0.73	0.38	0.23	1.69
FEF25 [L/s]	5.54	2.33	1.95	11.45
RV [L]	2.50	0.75	1.51	4.14
RV [%p]	116.19	23.77	90	170
TLC [L]	6.84	1.88	4.48	10.65
TLC [%p]	114.44	13.79	91	142
FRC [L]	3.45	0.95	2.06	5.36
FRC [%p]	109.88	18.39	77	149
Raw [kPas/L]	0.328	0.130	0.119	0.640
sRaw [kPas]	1.236	0.533	0.560	2.109
6MWT [m]	605.06	75.15	473	735
6MWT [%p]	92.75	11.96	75	118

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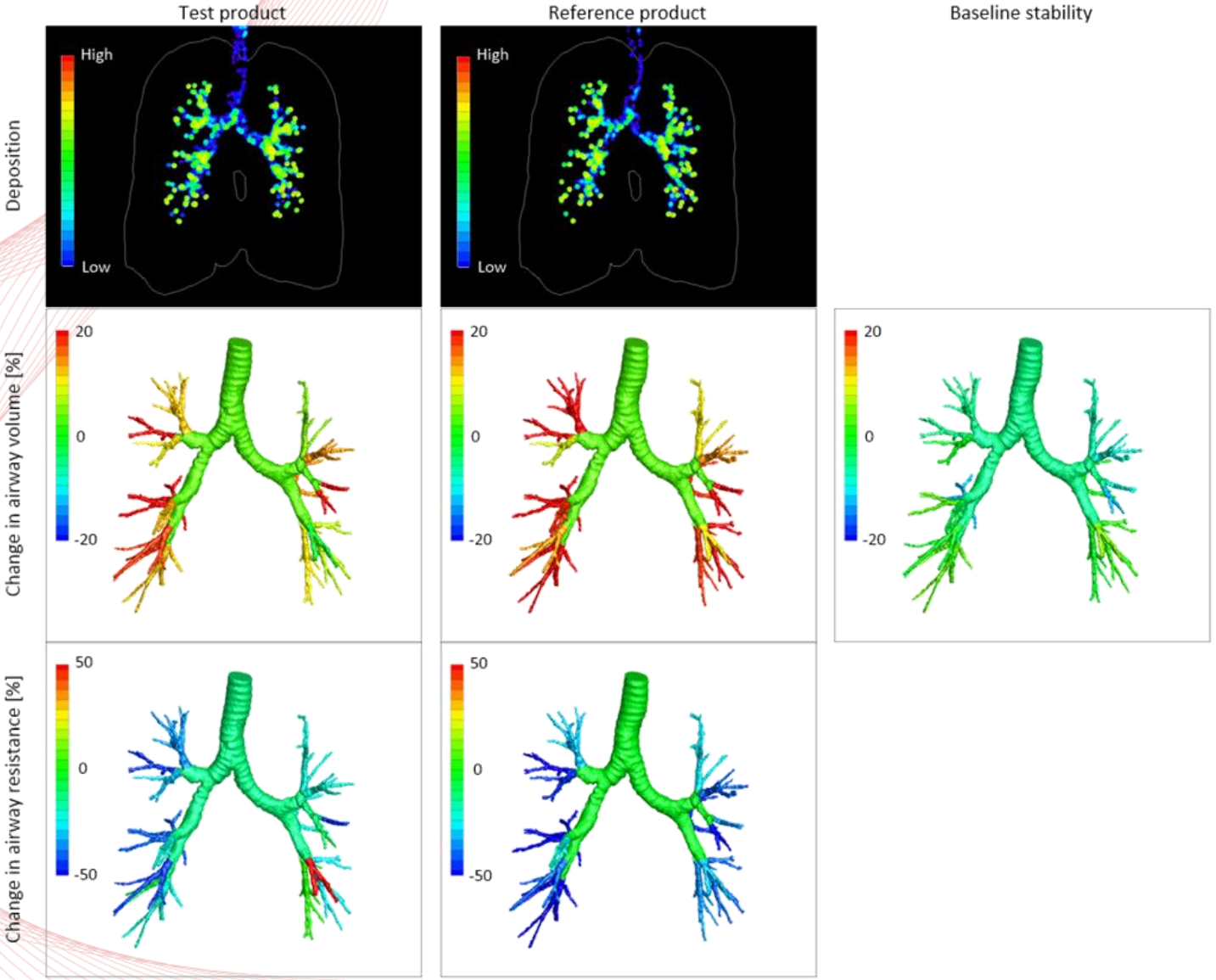
RESULTS



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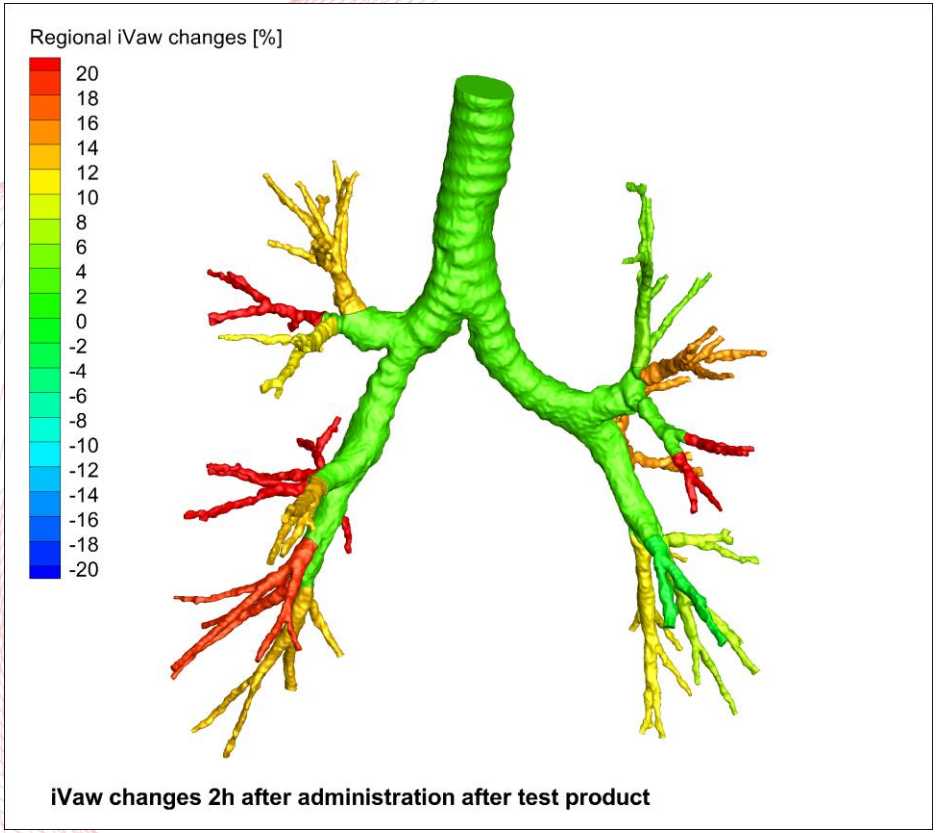
RESULTS

- FRI-based airway Volume (iVaw)



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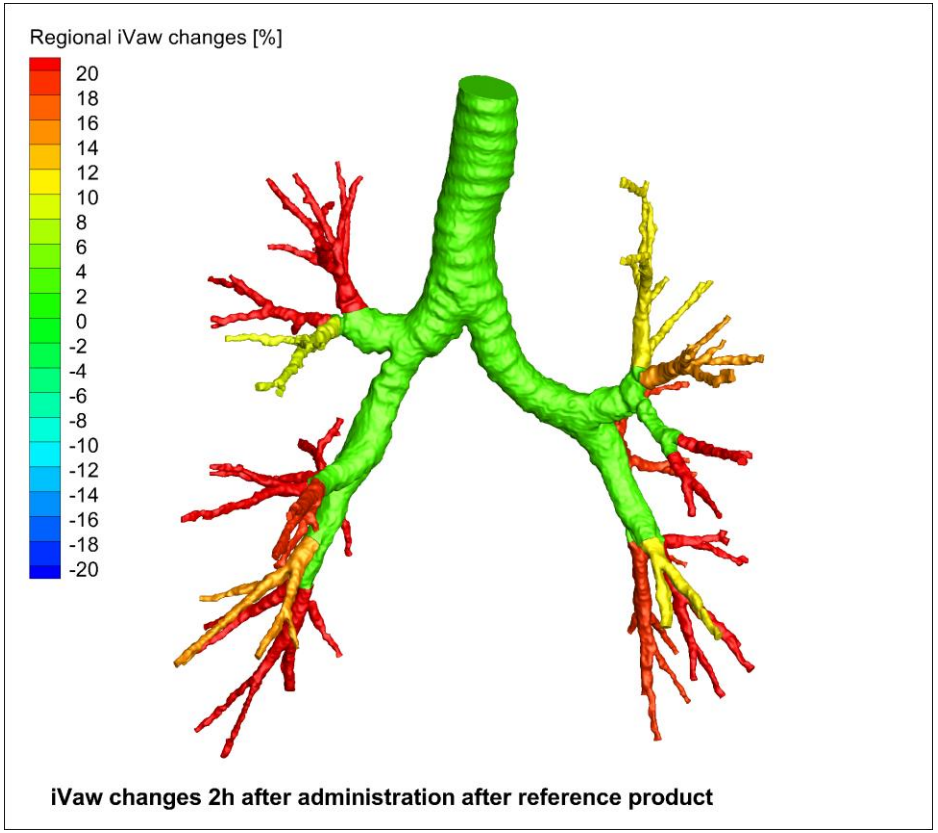

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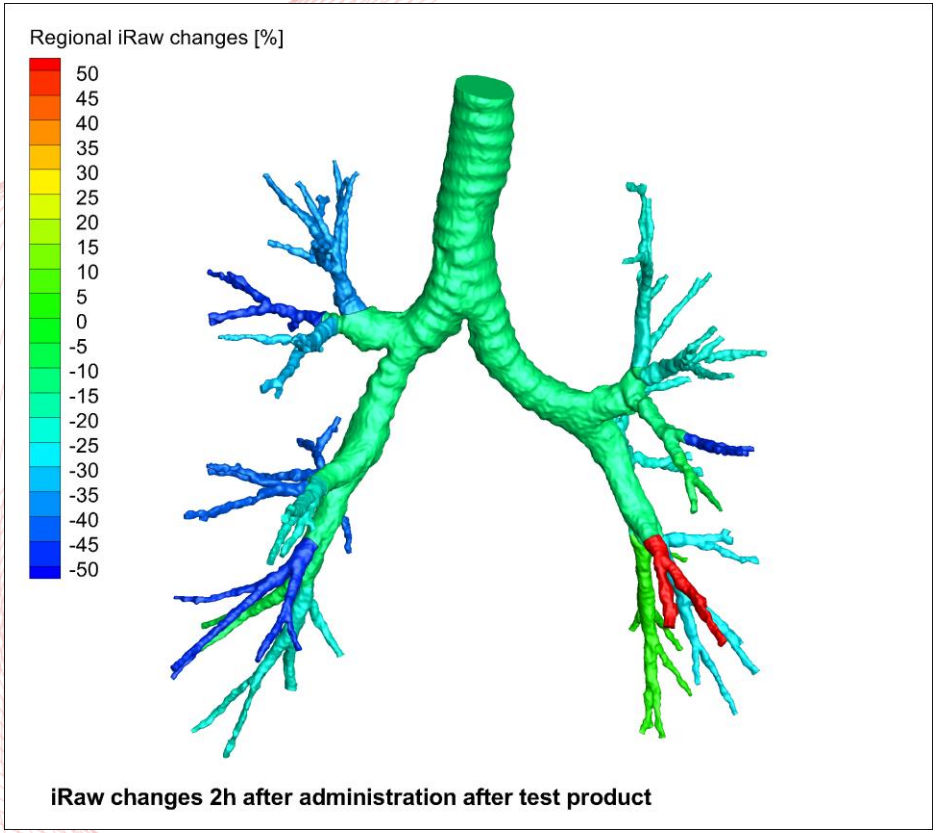
RESULTS

- FRI-based airway resistance (iRaw)



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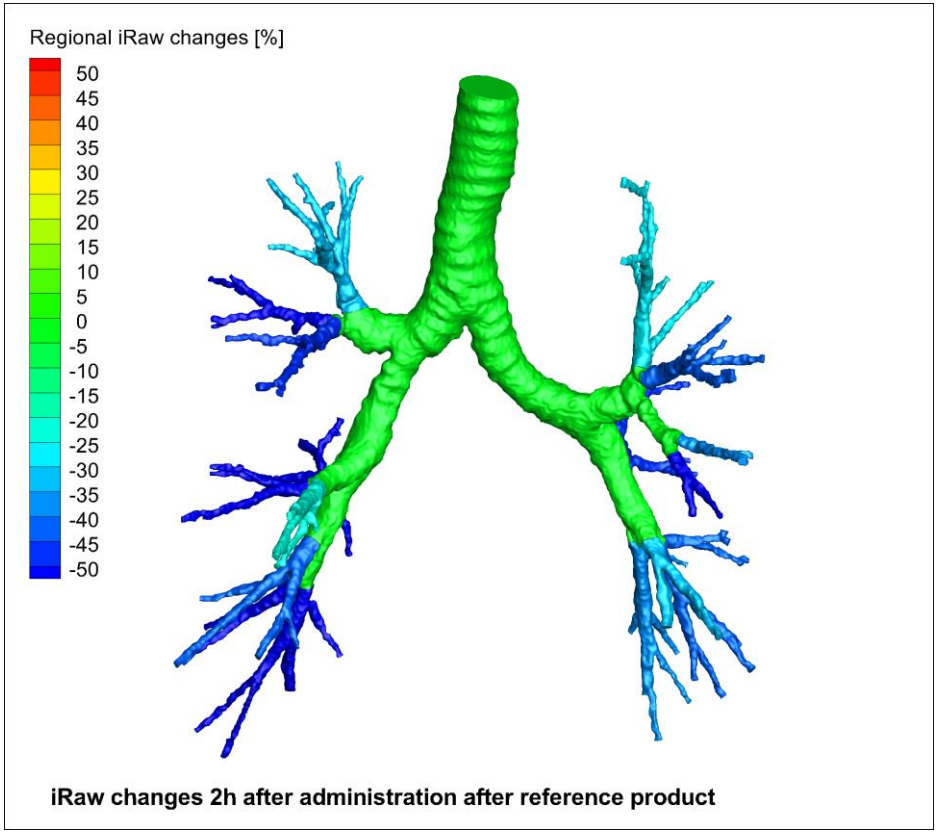

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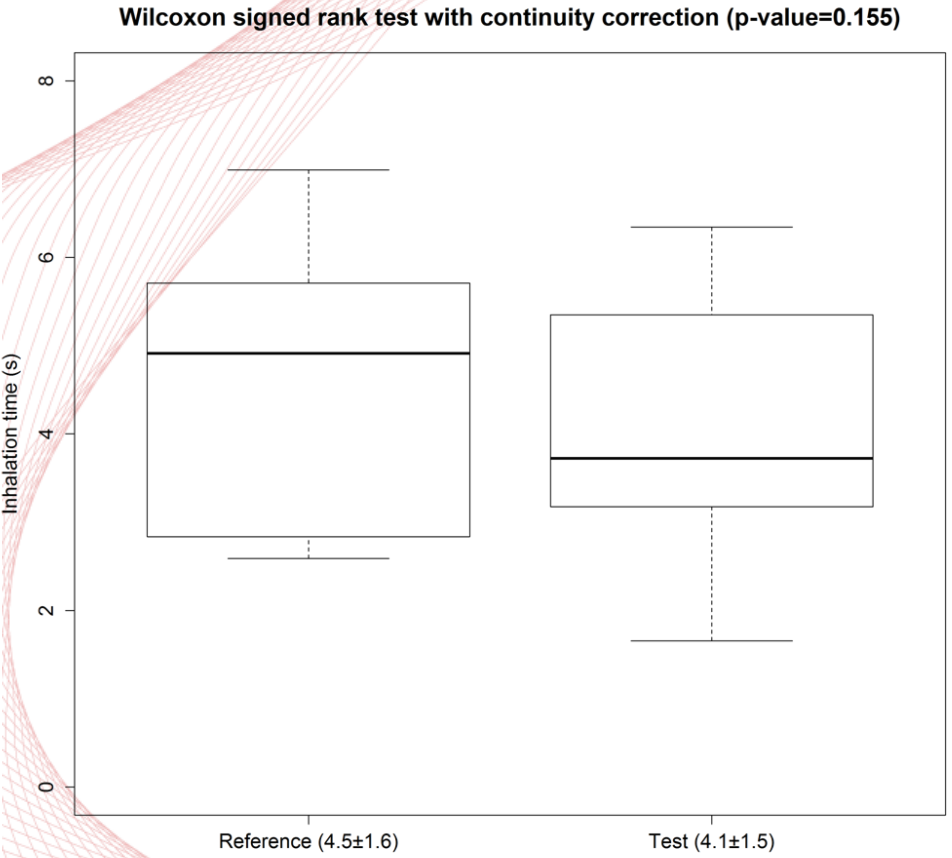
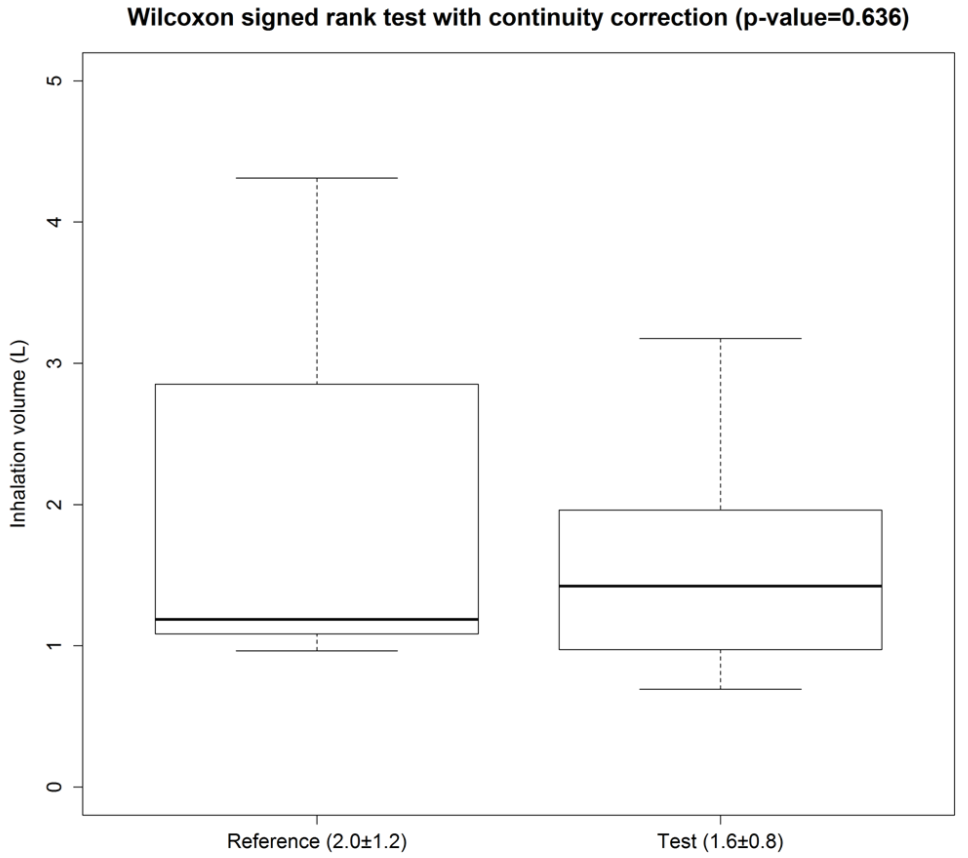
RESULTS

- Inhalation maneuver





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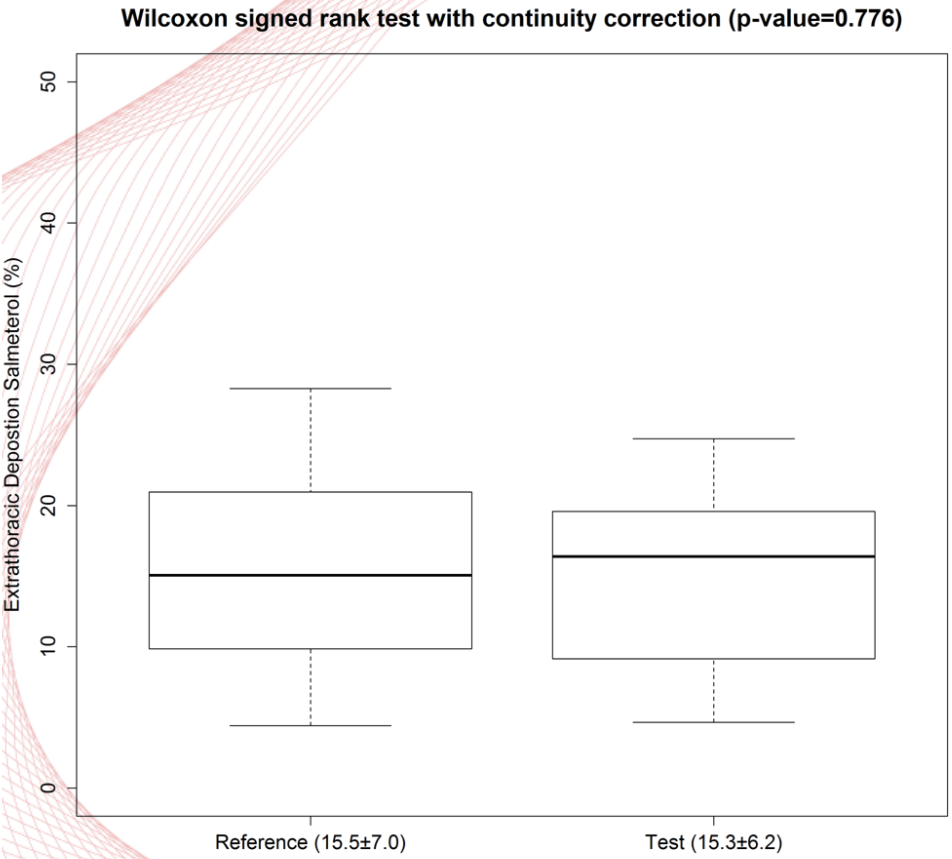
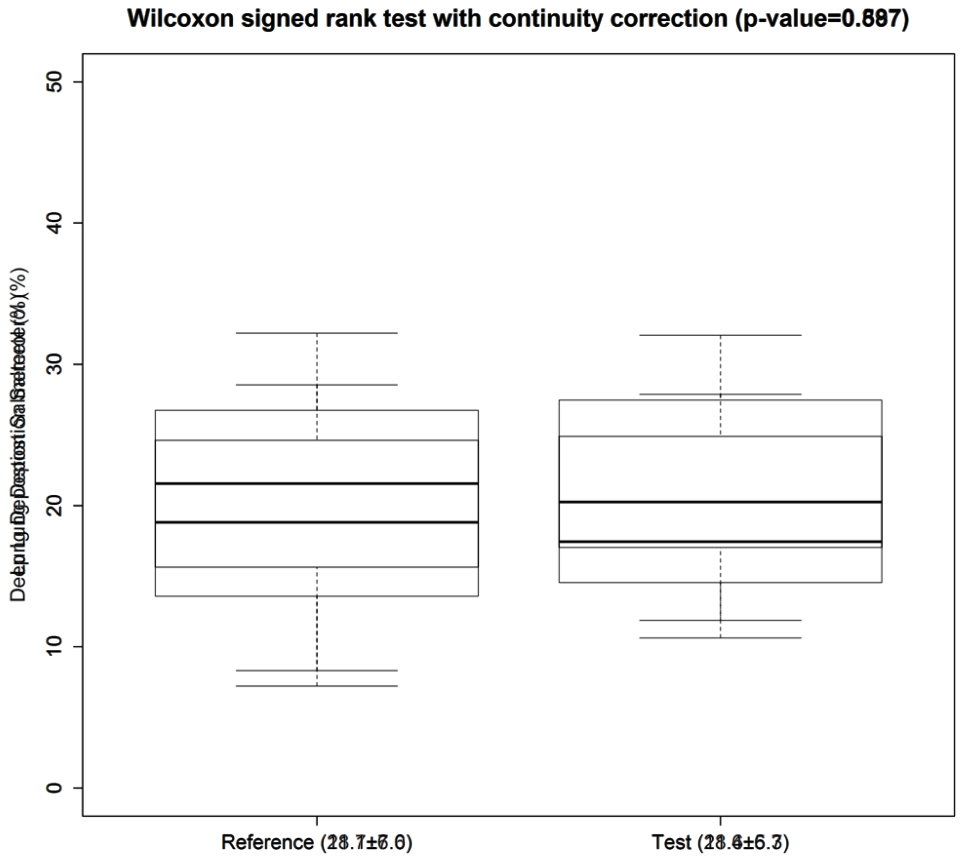
- Drug deposition





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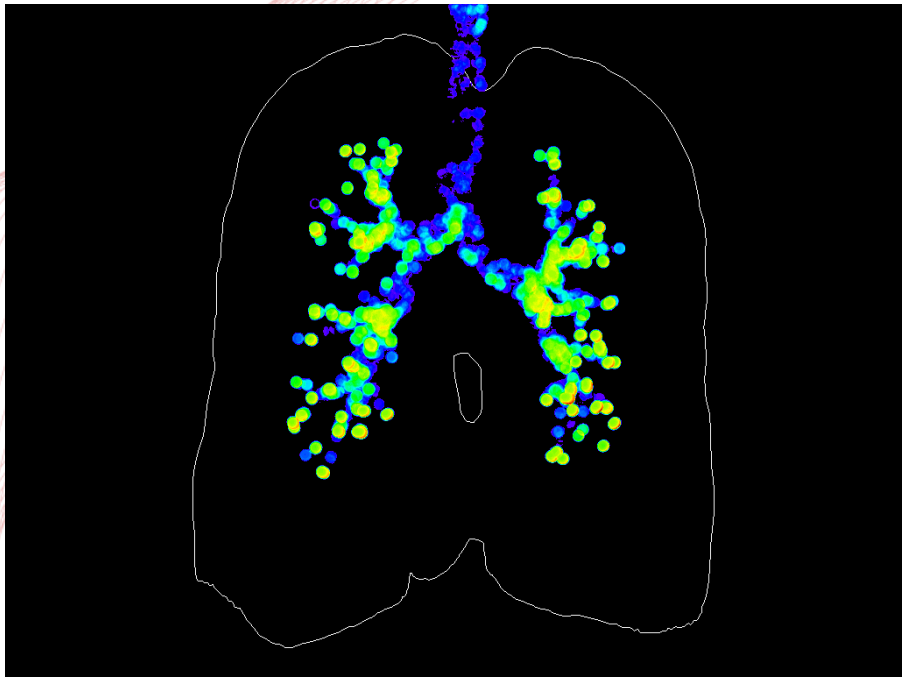
- FRI-based aerosol deposition



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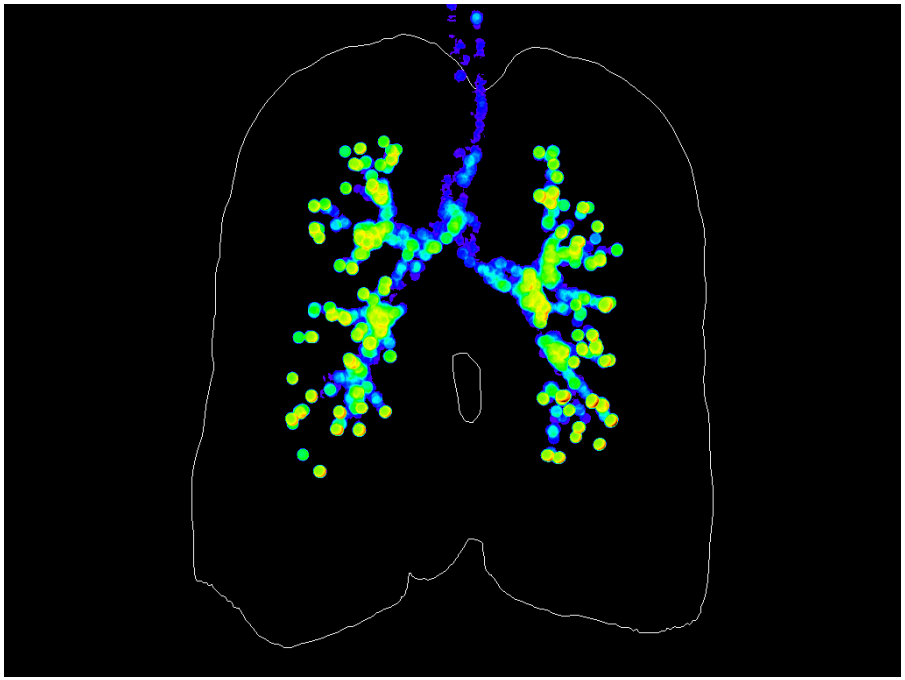

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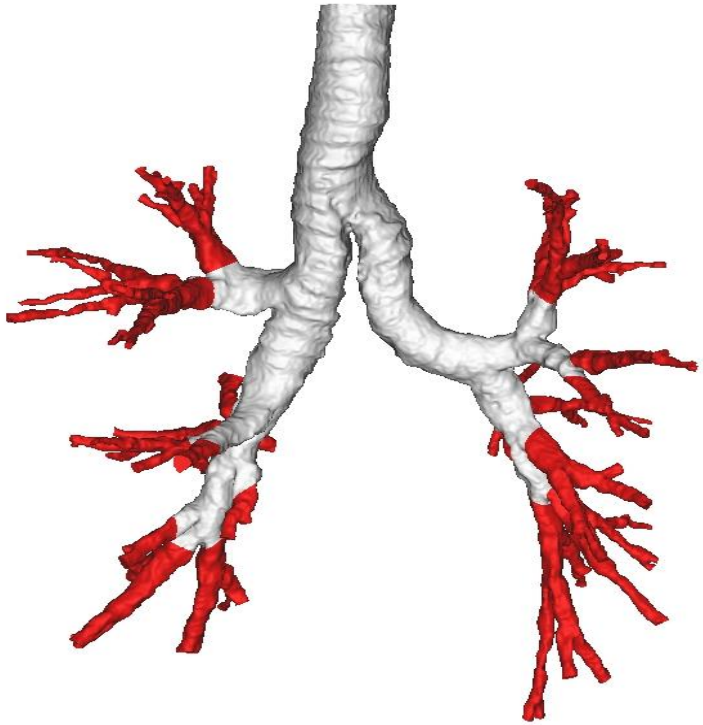
RESULTS

- FRI parameters: drug effect

IMAGING TESTS		Pre Test		Post Test		p-value
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	
iVaw [cm³]	Total	51.93	23.59	55.66	25.85	0.00048
	Central	40.36	18.26	41.74	19.26	0.00176
	Distal	11.58	6.23	13.91	7.61	0.00048
iSaw [cm²]	Total	290.24	93.13	312.57	103.03	0.00048
	Central	128.03	32.93	131.26	33.92	0.00058
	Distal	162.22	65.29	181.32	74.42	0.00048
iRaw [kPas/L]	Total	0.040	0.024	0.028	0.016	0.00147
	Central	0.014	0.009	0.012	0.007	0.01215
	Distal	0.026	0.017	0.017	0.011	0.00123



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RESULTS

- FRI parameters: drug comparison

IMAGING TESTS		Pre Test		Pre Reference		p-value	Change Test		Change Reference		p-value
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	
iVaw [cm³]	Total	52.59	24.10	51.93	23.59	0.14060	3.72	3.36	3.23	1.82	0.39360
	Central	40.72	18.92	40.36	18.26	0.28910	1.39	1.61	1.03	1.17	0.26630
	Distal	11.87	6.04	11.58	6.23	0.18730	2.34	2.12	2.20	1.37	0.69820
iSaw [cm²]	Total	295.50	89.34	290.24	93.13	0.17060	22.33	17.37	20.25	12.02	0.66030
	Central	129.95	34.29	128.03	32.93	0.28910	3.23	2.68	2.92	3.12	0.33880
	Distal	165.55	60.75	162.22	65.29	0.17060	19.10	15.73	17.32	12.00	0.58720
iRaw [kPas/L]	Total	0.039	0.023	0.040	0.024	0.45340	-0.012	0.013	-0.014	0.013	0.45340
	Central	0.013	0.010	0.014	0.009	0.36550	-0.002	0.003	-0.002	0.003	0.89710
	Distal	0.026	0.017	0.026	0.017	0.77610	-0.010	0.011	-0.012	0.011	0.48510

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RESULTS

- Clinical parameters: drug effect

CLINICAL TESTS	Pre Test		Post Test		p-value	Pre Reference		Post Reference		p-value
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	
FVC [L]	4.20	1.27	4.21	1.28	0.82020	4.21	1.40	4.31	1.46	0.15550
FVC [%p]	120.03	15.48	120.30	14.83	0.77610	119.49	16.88	121.87	15.77	0.28910
FEV1 [L]	2.91	0.96	3.04	0.96	0.00058	2.92	1.03	3.09	1.03	0.00058
FEV1 [%p]	102.32	21.10	106.78	19.98	0.00058	102.01	21.74	108.01	20.16	0.00058
FEV1/FVC [%]	69.71	10.09	72.76	10.25	0.00123	69.69	9.62	72.79	10.41	0.00048
PEF [L/s]	7.90	2.76	8.15	2.68	0.01212	7.94	2.93	8.26	2.75	0.02137
MEF50 [L/s]	2.55	1.27	2.96	1.32	0.00085	2.62	1.24	2.97	1.31	0.00103
FEF75 [L/s]	0.68	0.30	0.82	0.42	0.00102	0.69	0.34	0.88	0.48	0.00287
FEF25 [L/s]	5.22	2.10	5.94	2.03	0.00058	5.26	2.15	6.01	2.42	0.00348
RV [L]	2.58	0.84	2.44	0.74	0.02613	2.59	0.86	2.48	0.70	0.17870
RV [%p]	120.25	28.94	113.88	26.25	0.01832	120.06	28.61	115.63	23.04	0.21440
TLC [L]	6.83	1.85	6.73	1.82	0.01507	6.86	1.93	6.85	1.94	1.00000
TLC [%p]	114.19	13.74	112.69	13.63	0.02273	114.75	14.19	114.56	14.41	0.81300
FRC [L]	3.61	1.13	3.40	1.03	0.00270	3.57	1.09	3.38	0.96	0.00209
FRC [%p]	114.94	24.79	108.25	22.85	0.00234	113.69	23.10	107.69	20.29	0.00264
R [kPas/l]	0.36	0.15	0.28	0.12	0.00270	0.39	0.19	0.25	0.09	0.00048
sR [kPas]	1.43	0.89	1.08	0.66	0.00103	1.54	1.01	0.94	0.46	0.00048
6MWT [m]	636.67	61.09	631.93	62.96	0.21080	626.73	57.29	631.20	62.45	0.20850
6MWT [%p]	98.00	11.67	97.20	12.26	0.23480	96.40	10.13	96.93	10.15	0.46400
SaO2 [%]	97.21	1.25	96.86	1.41	0.32750	96.64	1.95	96.86	1.41	1.00000
SaO2_low [%]	94.43	3.69	93.79	4.64	0.21220	93.50	5.26	93.29	5.38	0.71980
Borg_Dyspnea [0-10] pre 6MWT	0.63	0.97	0.28	0.34	0.12500	0.80	0.94	0.41	0.47	0.02225
Borg_Dyspnea [0-10] post 6MWT	2.34	2.28	1.53	1.63	0.03333	2.40	2.20	1.89	2.07	0.38710

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RESULTS

- Clinical parameters: drug comparison

CLINICAL TESTS	Pre Test		Pre Reference		p-value	Change Test		Change Reference		p-value
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FVC [L]	4.21	1.40	4.20	1.27	0.90950	0.02	0.18	0.10	0.26	0.16390
FVC [%p]	119.49	16.88	120.03	15.48	0.93820	0.28	5.13	2.38	6.53	0.14050
FEV1 [L]	2.92	1.03	2.91	0.96	1.00000	0.13	0.13	0.18	0.13	0.23290
FEV1 [%p]	102.01	21.74	102.32	21.10	0.79590	4.46	4.01	5.99	4.04	0.29340
FEV1/FVC [%]	69.69	9.62	69.71	10.09	0.97730	3.05	2.43	3.10	1.77	1.00000
PEF [L/s]	7.94	2.93	7.90	2.76	0.73680	0.26	0.39	0.32	0.51	0.58720
MEF50 [L/s]	2.62	1.24	2.55	1.27	0.55090	0.41	0.24	0.35	0.33	0.28910
FEF75 [L/s]	0.69	0.34	0.68	0.30	0.60900	0.15	0.16	0.19	0.21	0.24430
FEF25 [L/s]	5.26	2.15	5.22	2.10	0.55200	0.72	0.47	0.74	0.87	0.85640
RV [L]	2.59	0.86	2.58	0.84	0.95880	-0.14	0.20	-0.11	0.27	0.50140
RV [%p]	120.06	28.61	120.25	28.94	1.00000	-6.38	8.52	-4.44	11.77	0.46850
TLC [L]	6.86	1.93	6.83	1.85	0.45330	-0.10	0.13	-0.01	0.17	0.13940
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6MWT [%p]	96.40	10.13	98.00	11.67	0.16830	-0.80	2.46	0.53	1.92	0.15010
SaO2 [%]	96.64	1.95	97.21	1.25	0.14630	-0.36	1.28	0.21	1.81	0.35070
SaO2_low [%]	93.50	5.26	94.43	3.69	0.23460	-0.64	1.78	-0.21	1.81	0.32370
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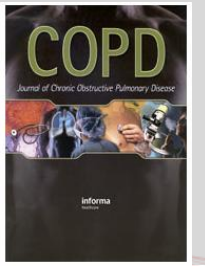
RESULTS

- Seretide FS and Cipla FS are not significantly different
- Are they equivalent?
  - Transform parameters to normal distributions (when needed)
  - Determine 90% CI
  - Assess whether 90% CI lies within 80%-125% bounds
    - Case 1: Atrovent vs Ventolin
    - Case 2: Seretide FS vs Cipla FS

ATROVENT vs VENTOLIN

- Assess acute effect of **Salbutamol** (Ventolin) in comparison with **Ipratropium Bomide** (Atrovent)
- Prospective cross over study
- 6 COPD patients
- 400 microgram Ipratropium Bromide / 80 microgram Salbutamol
- Are these products equivalent according to different parameters?



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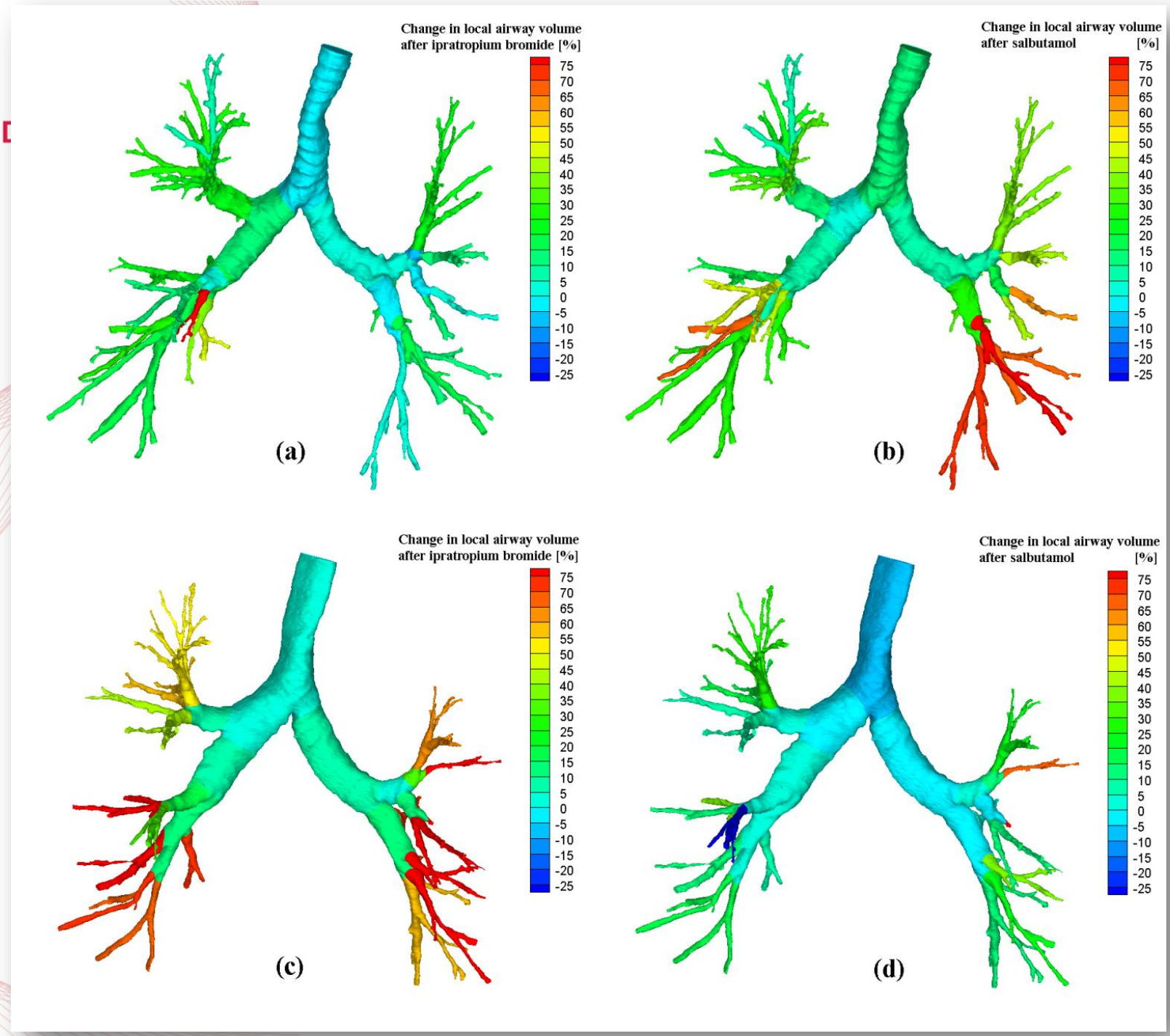
ATROVENT vs VENTOLIN

Table 3 Lung function changes after salbutamol and ipratropium bromide

Patient number	ΔFEV_1 (% pred)	ΔFEV_1 (% pred)	ΔVC (L)	ΔVC (L)	ΔR (kPa/L)	ΔR (kPa/L)	$\Delta specR$ (kPa)	$\Delta specR$ (kPa)				
Lung function testing												
1	4	6	0.22	0.37	−0.120	−0.260	−1.44	−1.59				
2	0	1	0.23	−0.01	−0.161	0.089	−1.00	0.19				
3	6	4	0.28	0.27	−0.479	−0.201	−2.06	−0.91				
4	8	6	0.55	0.54	−0.560	−0.461	−4.46	−3.38				
5	3	6	0.04	0.20	−0.171	−0.339	−0.89	−1.51				
Average	4.2	3.6	0.26	0.27	−0.298	−0.234	−1.97	−1.44				
	ΔV_{tot} (%)	ΔV_{tot} (%)	ΔV_{cent} (%)	ΔV_{cent} (%)	ΔV_{dist} (%)	ΔV_{dist} (%)	ΔR_{awtot} (%)	ΔR_{awtot} (%)	ΔR_{awcent} (%)	ΔR_{awcent} (%)	ΔR_{dist} (%)	ΔR_{dist} (%)
Functional imaging												
1	18.1	8.3	9.9	3.7	38.8	19.9	−44	−19	−30	0	−54	−33
2	11.1	8.0	5.7	5.6	39.9	20.8	−55	−41	−15	−16	−68	−49
3	19.6	10.9	10.0	5.8	80.6	43.7	−63	−56	−8	−13	−82	−71
4	0.7	17.6	−3.0	5.4	15.8	67.5	−27	−64	24	0	−37	−77
5	9.4	4.5	6.8	0.9	15.9	13.7	−34	−31	−37	−34	−33	−30
Average	10.8	10.5	5.0	4.5	31.6	32.4	−47.6	−44.5	−17.7	−16.7	−57.2	−58.1

Abbreviations: FEV_1, forced expiratory volume in 1 second; VC, vital capacity; R, airway resistance; specR, specific airway resistance (corrected for lung volume R × FRC); V_{tot}, total volume of the segmented airways; V_{centr}, volume of the central airways until the third bifurcation; V_{dist}, volume of the distal airways from third to seventh bifurcation; R_{awtot}, airway resistance of all segmented airways; $R_{awcentr}$, airway resistance on the central airways until the third bifurcation; R_{awdist}, airway resistance of the distal airways from third to seventh bifurcation; % pred, percentage predicted.

Notes: Grey shading indicates changes after salbutamol; no shading indicates changes after ipratropium bromide.


Change in local airway volume after ipratropium bromide [%]
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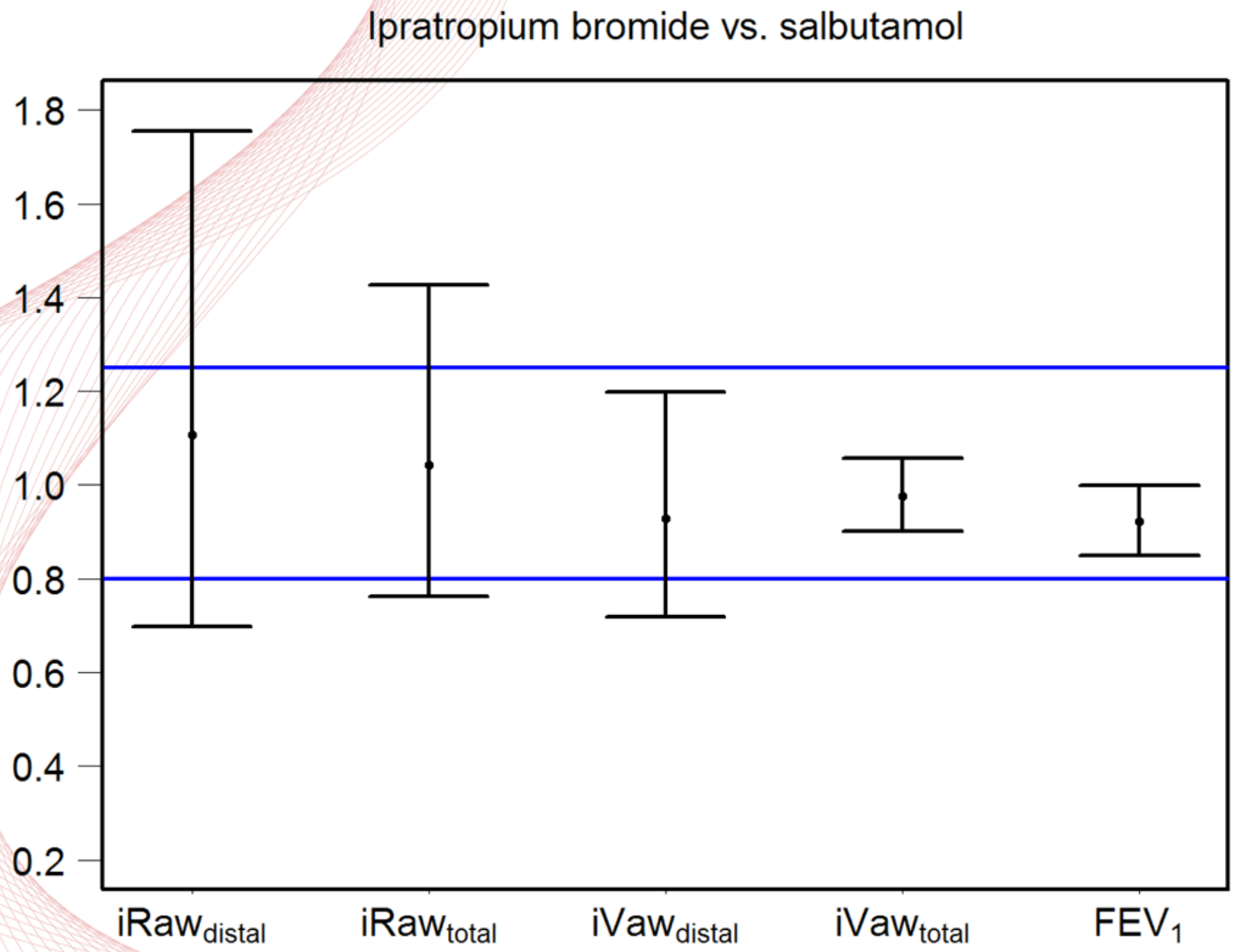
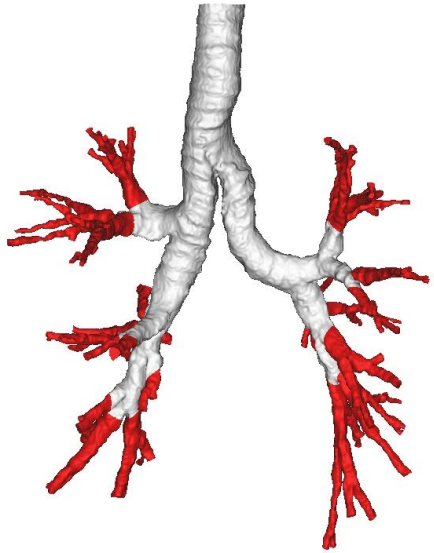
ATROVENT vs VENTOLIN





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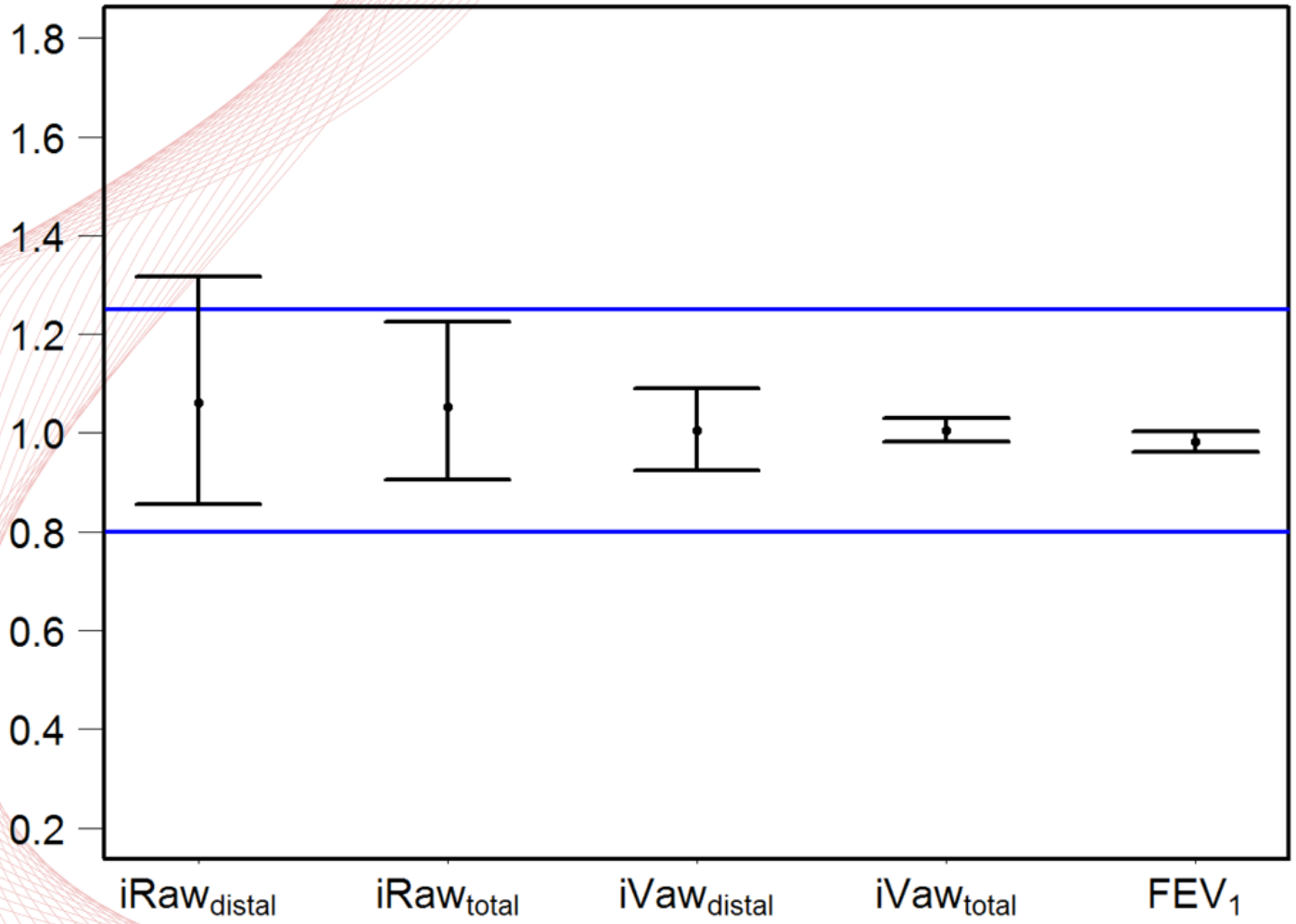
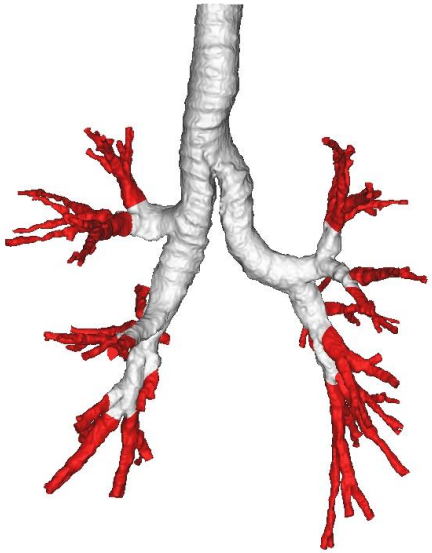
Branded vs. generic salmeterol/fluticasone





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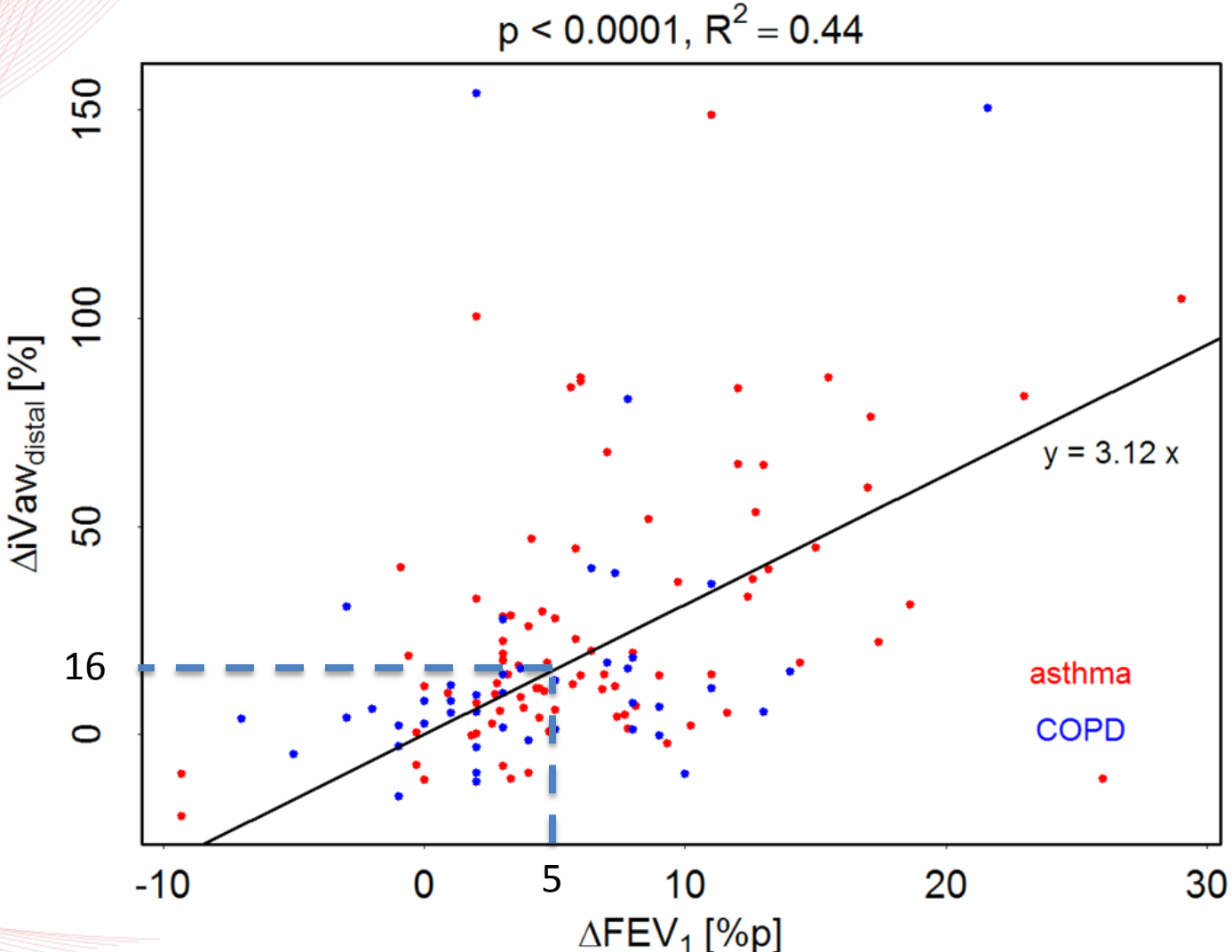

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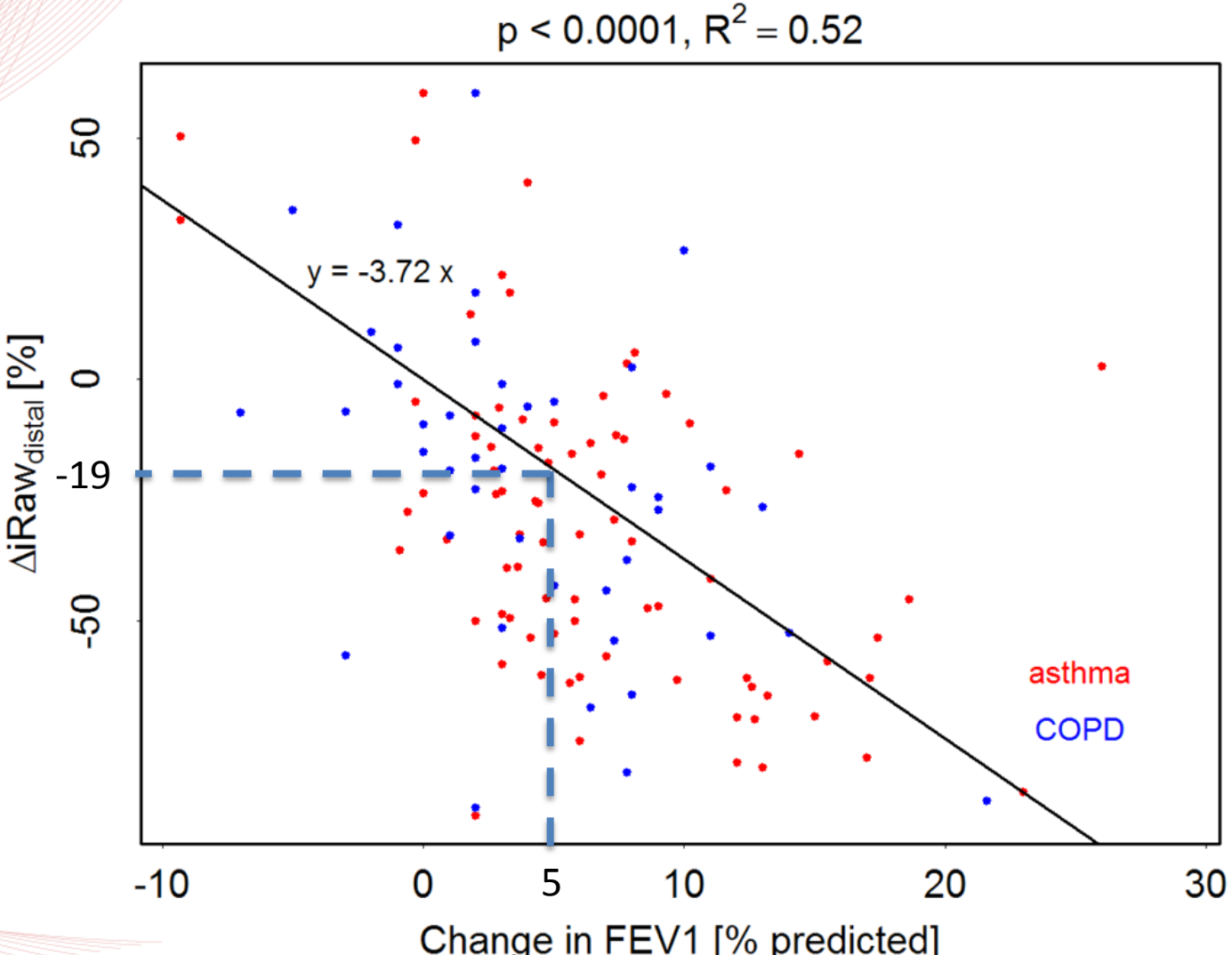

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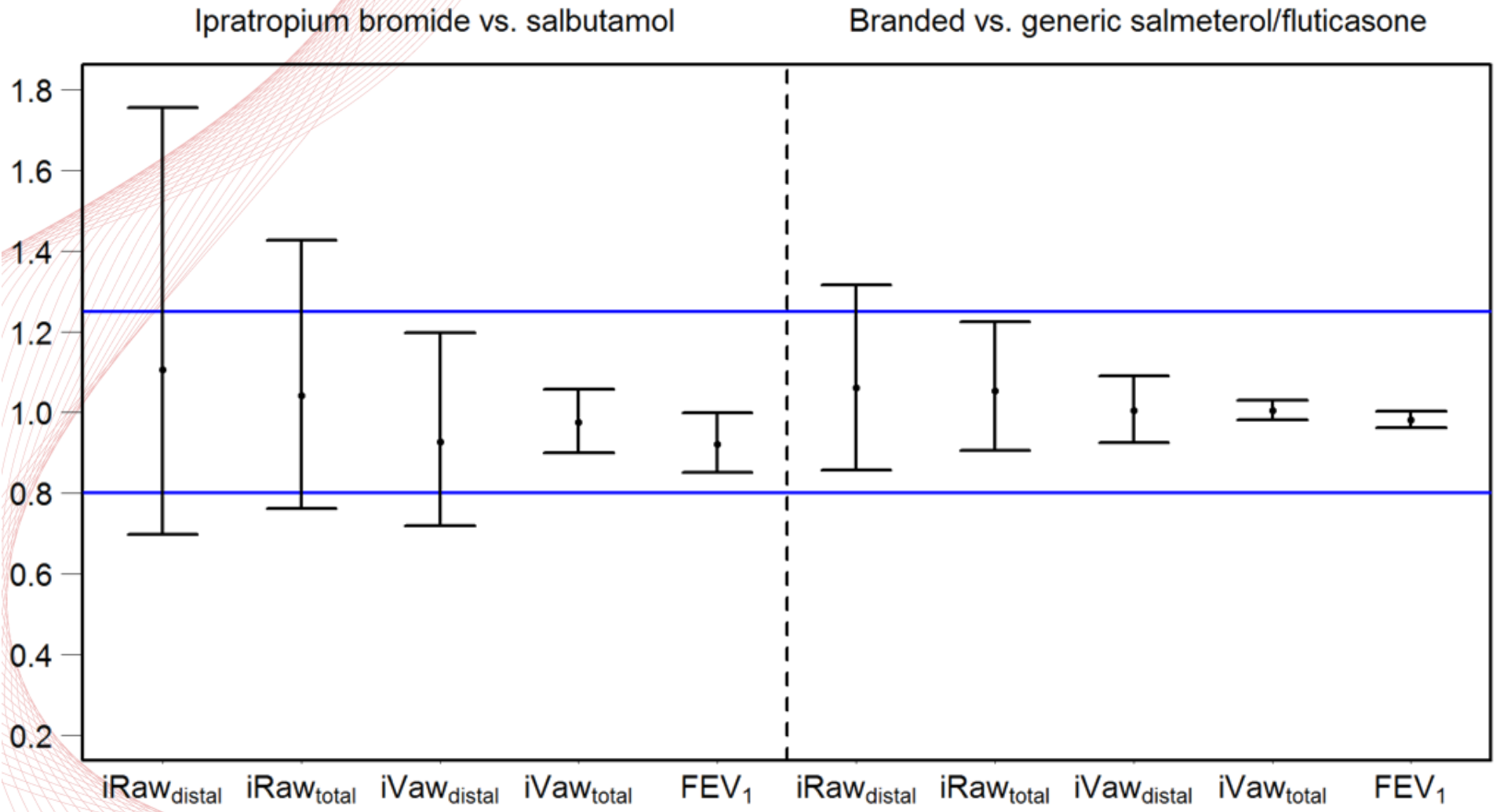
Ipratropium bromide vs. salbutamol
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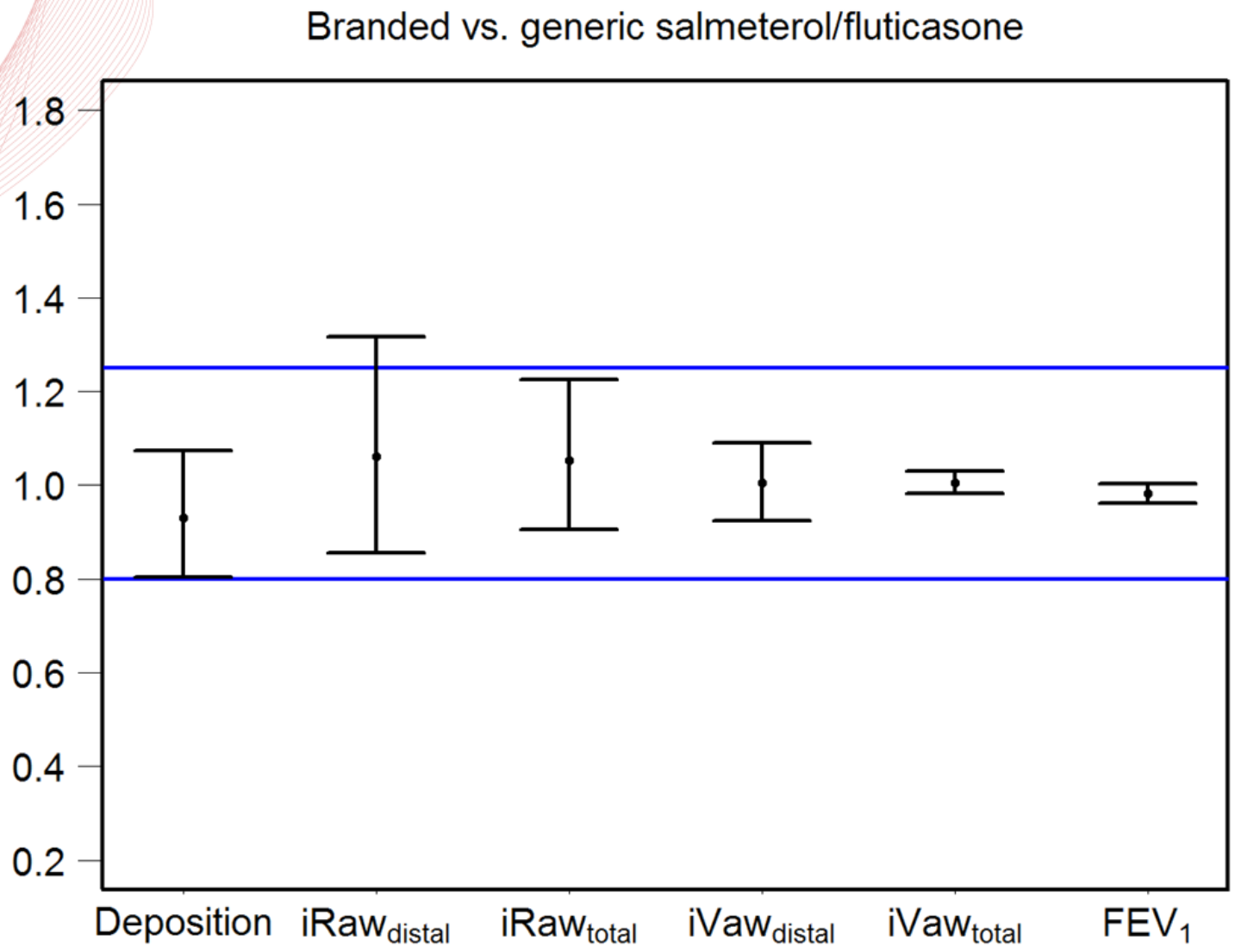
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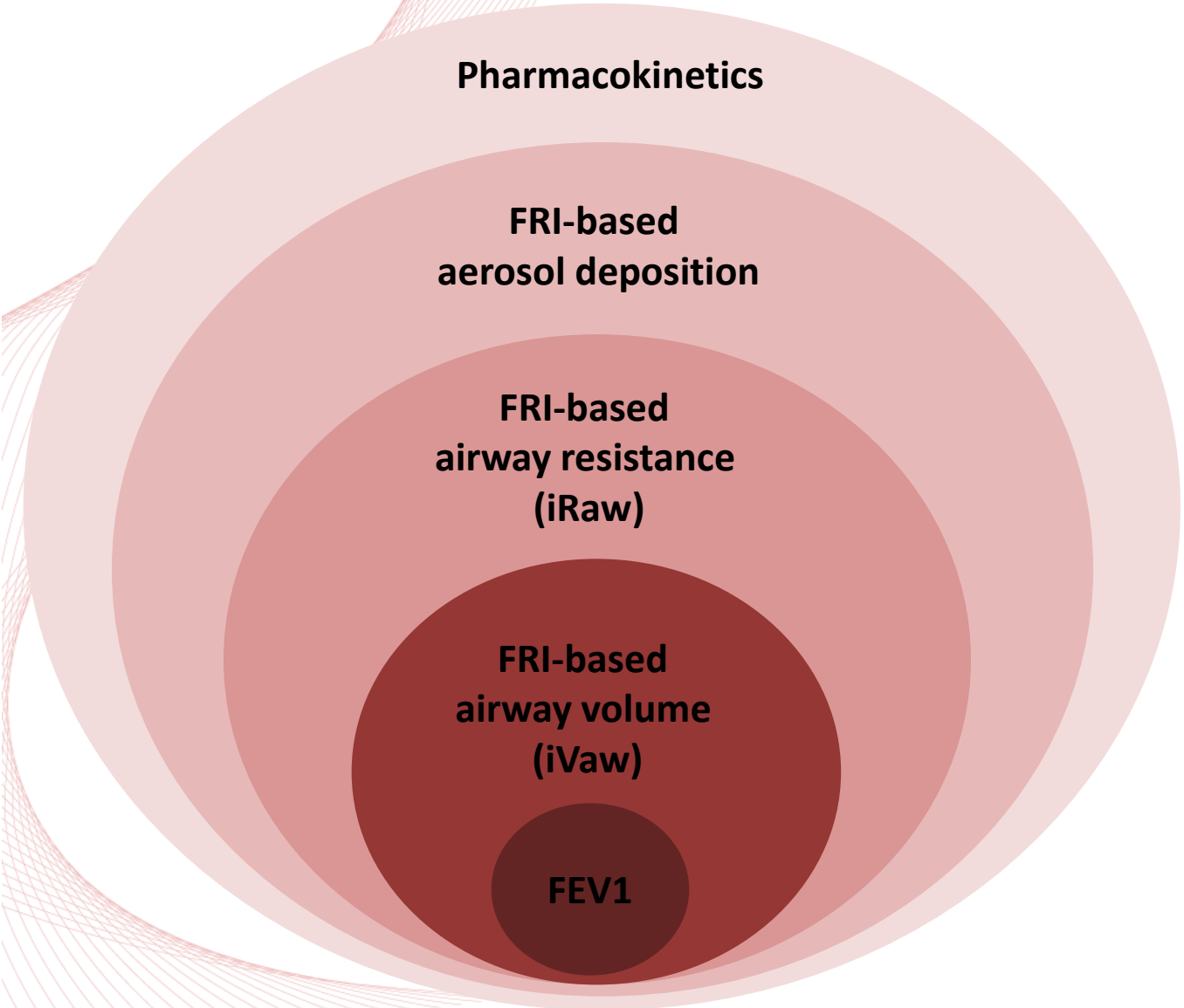

High ability to differentiate products

Low ability to differentiate products

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CONCLUSIONS

- FRI is more sensitive compared to standard PFT
- FRI can yield regional information in small scale clinical trials
- FRI has the potential to bridge between PK and PD